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**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
DALLAS DIVISION**

In re:

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,<sup>1</sup>  
Debtor.

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,  
Plaintiff,

vs.

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT FUND  
ADVISORS, L.P., NEXPOINT ADVISORS, L.P.,  
HIGHLAND INCOME FUND, NEXPOINT

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§ Chapter 11  
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§ Case No. 19-34054-sgj11  
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§ Adversary Proceeding  
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§ No. 21-03000-sgj11  
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<sup>1</sup> The Debtor's last four digits of its taxpayer identification number are (6725). The headquarters and service address for the above-captioned Debtor is 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, TX 75201.





STRATEGIC OPPORTUNITIES FUND, §  
 NEXPOINT CAPITAL, INC., AND CLO §  
 HOLDCO, LTD, §  
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 Defendants. §

**DEBTOR’S WITNESS AND EXHIBIT LIST WITH RESPECT TO  
 EVIDENTIARY HEARING TO BE HELD ON JANUARY 13, 2021**

Highland Capital Management, L.P. (the “Debtor”) submits the following witness and exhibit list with respect to *Plaintiff’s Emergency Motion for a Temporary Restraining Order and Preliminary Injunction against Certain Entities Owned and/or Controlled by Mr. James Dondero* [Docket No. 9] which the Court has set for hearing at 9:30 a.m. (Central Time) on January 13, 2021 (the “Hearing”) in the above-styled adversary proceeding (the “Adversary Proceeding”).

**A. Witnesses:**

1. James Dondero
2. Any witness identified by or called by any other party; and
3. Any witness necessary for rebuttal.

**B. Exhibits:**

Letter	Exhibit	Offered	Admitted
A.	Motion for Order Imposing Temporary Restrictions on Debtor’s Ability, as Portfolio Manager, to Initiate Sales by Non-Debtor CLO Vehicles [Docket No. 1528]		
B.	Transcript of 12/16/20 Hearing		
C.	Order Denying Motion for Order Imposing Temporary Restrictions on Debtor’s Ability, as Portfolio Manager, to Initiate Sales by Non-Debtor CLO Vehicles [dkt 1605]		
D.	Email from James Romey dated September 29, 2020		
E.	Structural and Steel Products UCC Presentation dated September 29, 2020		

Letter	Exhibit	Offered	Admitted
F.	Aberdeen Loan Funding Offering Memorandum dated as of March 27, 2008		
G.	Aberdeen Loan Funding Indenture dated as of March 27, 2008		
H.	Aberdeen Loan Funding Supplemental Indenture No. 1 dated as of March 27, 2008		
I.	Aberdeen Loan Funding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement dated as of March 27, 2008		
J.	Aberdeen Loan Funding Servicing Agreement dated as of March 27, 2008		
K.	Brentwood CLO Offering Memorandum dated as of December 18, 2006		
L.	Brentwood CLO Indenture dated as of December 21, 2006		
M.	Brentwood CLO Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement Dated as of December 21, 2006		
N.	Brentwood CLO Servicing Agreement dated as of December 21, 2006		
O.	Eastland CLO Offering Memorandum dated as of March 13, 2007		
P.	Eastland CLO Indenture dated as of March 13, 2007		
Q.	Eastland CLO Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement Dated as of March 13 2007		
R.	Eastland CLO Servicing Agreement dated as of March 13, 2007		
S.	Gleneagles CLO Offering Memorandum dated as of October 7, 2005		
T.	Gleneagles CLO Indenture dated as of October 13, 2005		
U.	Gleneagles CLO Portfolio Management Agreement dated as of October 13, 2005		

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V.	Gleneagles CLO Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement Dated as of October 13, 2005		
W.	Grayson CLO Offering Memorandum dated as of November 28, 2006		
X.	Grayson CLO Indenture dated as of November 30, 2006		
Y.	Grayson CLO Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement dated as of November 30, 2006		
Z.	Grayson CLO Servicing Agreement dated as of November 30, 2006		
AA.	Grayson CLO Amendment No. 1 to Servicing Agreement dated as of October 2, 2007		
BB.	Greenbriar CLO Offering Memorandum dated as of December 18, 2007		
CC.	Greenbriar CLO Indenture dated as of December 20, 2007		
DD.	Greenbriar CLO Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement Dated as of December 20, 2007		
EE.	Greenbriar CLO Servicing Agreement dated as of December 20, 2007		
FF.	Jasper CLO Offering Memorandum dated as of June 27, 2005		
GG.	Jasper CLO Amended and Restated Portfolio Management Agreement dated as of November 30, 2005		
HH.	Jasper CLO Indenture dated as of June 29, 2005		
II.	Jasper CLO Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement dated as of June 29, 2005		
JJ.	Liberty CLO Offering Memorandum dated as of December 7, 2005		
KK.	Liberty CLO Indenture dated as of December 8, 2005		

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LL.	Liberty CLO Class E Certificate Paying Agency Agreement dated as of December 8, 2005		
MM.	Liberty CLO Portfolio Management Agreement dated as of December 8, 2005		
NN.	Red River CLO Offering Memorandum dated as of July 31, 2006		
OO.	Red River CLO Indenture dated as of August 3, 2006		
PP.	Red River CLO Amendment No. 1 to Indenture dated as of October 2, 2007		
QQ.	Red River CLO Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement dated as of August 3, 2006		
RR.	Red River CLO Servicing Agreement dated as of August 3, 2006		
SS.	Red River CLO Amendment No. 1 to Servicing Agreement dated as of October 2, 2007		
TT.	Rockwall CLO Offering Circular (Notes) dated May 8, 2006		
UU.	Rockwall CLO Offering Circular (Preferred Share) dated May 8, 2006		
VV.	Rockwall CLO Indenture dated as of May 10, 2006		
WW.	Rockwall CLO Amendment No. 1 to Indenture dated as of October 2, 2007		
XX.	Rockwall CLO Preference Shares Paying and Agency Agreement dated as of May 10, 2006		
YY.	Rockwall CLO Servicing Agreement dated as of May 10, 2006		
ZZ.	Rockwall CLO Amendment No. 1 to Servicing Agreement dated as of October 2, 2007		
AAA.	Rockwall CLO II Offering Circular (Notes) dated May 8, 2007		

Letter	Exhibit	Offered	Admitted
BBB.	Rockwall CLO II Offering Circular (Preferred Share) dated May 8, 2007		
CCC.	Rockwall CLO II Indenture dated as of May 9, 2007		
DDD.	Rockwall CLO II Preference Shares Paying and Agency Agreement dated as of May 9, 2007		
EEE.	Rockwall CLO II Servicing Agreement dated as of May 9, 2007		
FFF.	Southfork CLO Offering Memorandum dated as of March 9, 2005		
GGG.	Southfork CLO Indenture dated as of March 15, 2005		
HHH.	Southfork CLO Portfolio Management Agreement dated as of March 15, 2005		
III.	Southfork CLO Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement dated as of March 15, 2005		
JJJ.	Stratford CLO Offering Memorandum dated as of October 22, 2007		
KKK.	Stratford CLO Indenture dated as of October 25, 2007		
LLL.	Stratford CLO Preference Shares Paying and Agency Agreement dated as of October 25, 2007		
MMM.	Stratford CLO Servicing Agreement dated as of October 25, 2007		
NNN.	Valhalla CLO Offering Circular dated as of August 17, 2004		
OOO.	Valhalla CLO Indenture dated as of August 18, 2004		
PPP.	Valhalla CLO Supplemental Indenture dated as of July 25, 2016		
QQQ.	Valhalla CLO Reference Portfolio Management Agreement dated as of August 1, 2016		

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RRR.	Westchester CLO Offering Memorandum dated as of May 30, 2007		
SSS.	Westchester CLO Indenture dated as of May 31, 2007		
TTT.	Westchester CLO Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement dated as of May31,2007		
UUU.	Westchester CLO Servicing Agreement dated as of May 31, 2007		
VVV.	NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund, Form N-2 Registration Statement, filed August 27, 2019		
WWW.	NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund, Form DEF-14A Proxy Statement, filed July 10, 2020		
XXX.	NexPoint Capital, Inc., Form 497 Prospectus Supplement, filed March 14, 2018		
YYY.	NexPoint Capital, Inc. Form DEF-14A Proxy Statement, filed April 22, 2020		
ZZZ.	Highland Income Fund, Form 497 Prospectus Supplement, filed July 29, 2019		
AAAA.	Highland Income Fund, Form DEF-14A Proxy Statement, filed April 22, 2020		
BBBB.	Written Consent of the General Partner of Highland Capital Management, L.P., Effective September 21, 2020		
CCCC.	List of Board Memberships		
DDDD.	Response to K&L Gates LLP dated December 22, 2020 [Dondero Deposition Exhibit 12]		
EEEE.	Response to K&L Gates LLP dated December 23, 2020 [Dondero Deposition Exhibit 13]		
FFFF.	Letter from K&L Gates to J. Pomerantz dated December 31, 2020		
GGGG.	Response to Letter from K&L Gates to J. Pomerantz dated December 31, 2020		

<b>Letter</b>	<b>Exhibit</b>	<b>Offered</b>	<b>Admitted</b>
HHHH.	Any document entered or filed in the Adversary Proceeding, including any exhibits thereto		
III.	Any document entered or filed in the Debtor's chapter 11 bankruptcy case, including any exhibits thereto		
JJJ.	All exhibits necessary for impeachment and/or rebuttal purposes		
KKKK.	All exhibits identified by or offered by any other party at the Hearing		

Dated: January 9, 2021.

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	)	Case No. 19-34054 (SGJ11)
Debtors.	)	
	)	(Jointly Administered)
	)	
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**MOTION FOR ORDER IMPOSING TEMPORARY  
RESTRICTIONS ON DEBTOR'S ABILITY, AS PORTFOLIO  
MANAGER, TO INITIATE SALES BY NON-DEBTOR CLO VEHICLES**

Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P. (“**HCMFA**”) and NexPoint Advisors, L.P. (“**NexPoint**”, and together with HCMFA, the “**Advisors**”), and Highland Income Fund, NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund, and NexPoint Capital, Inc. (together, the



“**Funds**”), by and through their undersigned counsel, hereby submit this motion for an order of the Court under Bankruptcy Code §§ 105(a), 363, and 1107 imposing temporary restrictions on Highland Capital Management, L.P.’s (the “**Debtor**”) ability to initiate sales as portfolio manager (or other similar capacity) for certain non-debtor investment vehicles (the “**CLOs**”). In support of the Motion, the Funds and Advisors submit the Declaration of Dustin Norris (the “**Declaration**”) attached hereto and state as follows:

### **BACKGROUND**

#### ***A. General Background on the Advisors and their Advised Funds***

1. Each Advisor is registered with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (“**SEC**”) as an investment advisor under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended (the “**Advisers Act**”).

2. Each of the Advisors advises several funds, including the Funds. Each of the Funds is a registered investment company or business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (as amended, the “**1940 Act**”).

3. As an investment company or business development company, each Fund is overseen by a majority independent board of trustees subject to 1940 Act requirements. That board reviews and approves contracts with one of the Advisors for the respective Fund. The Funds do not have employees. Instead, each Fund relies on its respective Advisor, acting pursuant to advisory agreements, to provide the services necessary to the Fund’s operations.

#### ***B. The CLOs***

4. The CLOs are Aberdeen Loan Funding, Ltd., Brentwood CLO, Ltd., Eastland CLO, Ltd., Gleneagles CLO, Ltd., Grayson CLO, Ltd., Greenbriar CLO, Ltd., Jasper CLO, Ltd., Liberty CLO, Ltd., Red River CLO, Ltd., Rockwall CDO, Ltd., Rockwall CDO II Ltd.,

Southfork CLO, Ltd., Stratford CLO Ltd., Loan Funding VII, LLC, and Westchester CLO, Ltd.

5. The CLOs are securitization vehicles formed to acquire and hold pools of debt obligations. They also issued various tranches of notes and preference shares, which are intended to be repaid from proceeds of the subject CLO's pool of debt obligations. The notes issued by the CLOs are paid according to a contractual waterfall, with the value remaining in the CLO after the notes are fully paid flowing to the holders of the preference shares.

6. The CLOs were created many years ago. Most of the CLOs are, at this point, past their reinvestment period and have paid off all the tranches of notes or, in a few instances, all but the last and most junior tranche. Accordingly, most of the economic value remaining in the CLOs, and all of the upside, belongs to the holders of the preference shares. The repayment status of the notes in the CLOs as of November 2020 is shown on Exhibit A to the Declaration, and the Funds' collective ownership of the preference shares is shown on Exhibit B to the Declaration. As shown on Exhibit B, the Funds hold a majority of the preference shares in three of the CLOs, Grayson CLO, Ltd., Greenbriar CLO, Ltd., and Stratford CLO Ltd., and material interests in most of the other CLOs.

7. The CLOs have each separately contracted for the Debtor to serve as the CLO's portfolio manager.<sup>1</sup> In this capacity, the Debtor is responsible, among other things, for making decisions to sell the CLO's assets. Although the portfolio management agreements vary, the agreements generally impose a duty on the Debtor when acting as portfolio manager to maximize the value of the CLO's assets for the benefit of the CLO's noteholders and preference

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<sup>1</sup> The title given to the Debtor by the CLOs varies from CLO to CLO based on the relevant agreements, but the Debtor has the same general rights and obligations for each CLO. In this Motion, the Funds and Advisors have used the term "portfolio manager" when referring to the Debtor's role for each CLO regardless of the precise title in the underlying documents.

shareholders.

**C. The Operating Protocols**

8. As part of the resolution of certain disputes between the Debtor and the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the “**Committee**”), the Debtor is operating under the restrictions and provisions of certain operating protocols (the “**Operating Protocols**”) approved by the Court. See Notice of Debtor’s Amended Operating Protocols (Docket No. 466). Among other things, the Operating Protocols include provisions regulating the Debtor’s actions on behalf of other entities. With respect to the CLOs, however, the Operating Protocols generally exempt the Debtor from the regular approval process involving the Committee where the Debtor acts as portfolio manager for the CLOs. See, e.g., Operating Protocols at § IV(B)(3)(a).

**C. Recent Asset Sales and the Advisors’ Requests for a Temporary Pause in Sales**

9. The Court recently approved the Debtor’s Disclosure Statement for the Fifth Amended Plan of Reorganization of Highland Capital Management, L.P. (Docket No. 1473) (the “Disclosure Statement”).

10. The Disclosure Statement discusses the Debtor’s role as portfolio manager for the CLOs (which the Disclosure Statement defines as “Issuers”) in Article II(U) (pg. 32). After explaining the Debtor’s role and noting some proofs of claim filed by the CLOs, the Disclosure Statement states as follows:

The Issuers have taken the position that the rejection of the Portfolio Management Agreements (including any ancillary documents) would result in material rejection damages and have encouraged the Debtor to assume such agreements. Nonetheless, the Issuers and the Debtor are working in good faith to address any outstanding issues regarding such assumption. The Portfolio Management Agreements may be assumed either pursuant to the Plan or by separate motion filed with the Bankruptcy Court.

The Debtor is still assessing its options with respect to the Portfolio Management Agreements, including whether to assume the Portfolio Management Agreements.

11. The Financial Projections attached as Exhibit C to the Disclosure Statement make clear that, assuming confirmation of the Debtor's chapter 11 plan in its current form, the Debtor intends to liquidate its remaining assets over the next two years, concluding in December 2022.

12. The Funds and Advisors do not agree with recent sales executed by the Debtor in certain CLOs, including sales during the historically light Thanksgiving trading week, because the Funds and Advisors view those assets as having greater value if held as long-term investments. When the Advisors became aware the Debtor was considering these transactions, NexPoint requested that the Debtor not consummate the sales.

13. NexPoint has requested in two letters that the Debtor refrain from causing the CLOs to sell further assets without prior notice and consent of NexPoint. Counsel to the Funds and Advisors has also requested by email that the Debtor agree consensually to temporarily suspend further sales of the CLOs' assets and/or confirm that the Debtor is not presently planning further sales in the immediate future. The Debtor has refused these requests.

**D. HCMLP Decisions Illustrating Its Short-Term Approach**

14. Consistent with its proposal to liquidate all of its assets by the end of 2022 per the Disclosure Statement, HCMLP has engaged in transactions taking a short-term approach to value.

15. In addition to the sales noted above during Thanksgiving week, during the chapter 11 case, the Debtor has directed the disposition of other assets in a manner that suggests a focus on quick monetization at the expense of maximizing returns for investors and/or the

estate. For example, Debtor-controlled entities sold a collective majority interest in an unsecured term loan to OmniMax International, Inc. Other non-Debtor controlled entities, advised by the Advisors, were able to secure a substantially better price for their stake in the same asset by being willing to hold it and transacting at a later date. Given the Debtor-controlled entities large ownership in the unsecured loan, the Advisors believe the Debtor was well-positioned to realize a higher price.

16. Also, upon information and belief, the Debtor, through its wholly owned subsidiary Trussway Holdings, LLC (“**Trussway**”), consummated a sale transaction where Trussway sold a division, SSP Holdings, LLC, in which Trussway had a majority interest. Upon information and belief, the sale was conducted without a formal competitive bidding process and resulted in a loss of \$10 million, despite certain metrics of SSP Holdings, LLC having improved materially since it was acquired in 2014.

### **REQUEST FOR RELIEF**

17. The Funds and Advisors request that the Court, under Bankruptcy Code sections 105(a), 363, and 1107(a) impose a temporary restriction on the Debtor’s ability, as portfolio manager, to cause the CLOs to sell assets. The Funds and Advisors request that the Court prohibit the Debtor from authorizing any such sales for a period of 30 days, absent further order of the Court.

18. Bankruptcy Code section 363 governs the Debtor’s use of estate property. 11 U.S.C. § 363. Section 363 authorizes the Debtor to use that property outside of the ordinary course of business “after notice and a hearing,” and in the ordinary course of business without notice and a hearing “unless the court orders otherwise . . . .” 11 U.S.C. § 363(b-c). Bankruptcy Code section 1107(a) grants the Debtor, as debtor-in-possession, the powers of a chapter 11 trustee, subject to “such limitations or conditions as the court prescribes . . . .” 11 U.S.C.

§ 1107(a). And Bankruptcy Code section 105(a) empowers the Court to “issue any order, process, or judgment that is necessary or appropriate to carry out the provisions” of the Bankruptcy Code. 11 U.S.C. § 105(a).

19. Consistent with these powers, the Court implemented the Operating Protocols earlier in this case regarding the Debtor’s actions on behalf of other non-debtor entities. Unlike where the Debtor directs sales of assets for other entities, however, the Operating Protocols generally do not restrict the Debtor’s actions as portfolio manager for the CLOs. See Operating Protocols at IV(B)(3)(a).<sup>2</sup> The Funds and Advisors submit that the relief requested does not conflict with the Operating Protocols, but to the extent necessary, the Funds and Advisors request that the Court modify the Operating Protocols in the limited and temporary way requested in this Motion.

20. The Funds and Advisors seek this relief to preserve the status quo at the CLOs while the Funds and Advisors explore replacing the Debtor as portfolio manager either

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<sup>2</sup> Section IV(B)(3)(a) (Transactions involving entities that the Debtor manages but in which the Debtor does not hold a direct or indirect interest)(Operating Requirements)(Third Party Transactions: All Stages) provides in full:

**Except (x) as set forth in (b) and (c) below and (y) for any Transaction involving a Specified Entity and the sale or purchase by such Specified Entity of an asset that is not an obligation or security issued or guaranteed by any of the Debtor, a Related Entity or a fund, account, portfolio company owned, controlled or managed by the Debtor or a Related Entity, where such Transaction is effected in compliance with the collateral management agreement to which such Specified Entity is party, any Transaction that decreases the NAV of an entity managed by the Debtor in excess of the greater of (i) 10% of NAV or (ii) \$3,000,000 requires five business days advance notice to Committee and if the Committee objects, the burden is on the Debtor to seek Court approval, which the Committee agrees may be sought on an expedited basis.**

(emphasis added). “Specified Entity” is defined in section I(K) of the Operating Protocols to include the CLOs referenced in this Motion.



consensually or through the contractual processes laid out in the relevant underlying agreements.

21. In the Disclosure Statement, the Debtor states that it has not determined if it wants to continue to serve as portfolio manager for the CLOs. The Debtor also has not sought input from the Funds and Advisers, even though the Funds are among the largest stakeholders indirectly and significantly affected by the Debtor's actions with respect to the CLOs.

22. The Advisers Act places a fiduciary duty on investment advisers comprising a duty of care and duty of loyalty. See, e.g., SEC Release No. IA-3248, "Commission Interpretation Regarding Standard of Conduct for Investment Advisers," (July 12, 2019). This means an adviser, like the Debtor, must, at all times, serve the best interest of its client and not subordinate its client's interest to its own. See id. This combination of care and loyalty obligations has been characterized as requiring the investment adviser to act in the "best interest" of its client at all times. See SEC v. Tambone, 550 F.3d 106, 146 (1st Cir. 2008) ("Section 206 imposes a fiduciary duty on investment advisers to act at all times in the best interest of the fund . . . ."); SEC v. Moran, 944 F. Supp. 286, 297 (S.D.N.Y. 1996) ("Investment advisers are entrusted with the responsibility and duty to act in the best interest of their clients.").

23. Although the Debtor's nominal "clients" are the CLOs themselves, the true parties in interest are the holders of beneficial interests in the CLOs, such as the Funds. Most or all of the other layers of CLO interests have been paid out, and the Funds hold either the majority or a substantial portion of most of the remaining CLO interests. In these circumstances, the Funds and the other preference shareholders are the parties who are economically affected by the Debtor's actions as portfolio manager.

24. The Funds and Advisors believe replacing the Debtor as portfolio manager is appropriate in light of the reduced staffing the Debtor anticipates having once the Debtor's chapter 11 plan goes effective. The Funds and Advisors also believe it is appropriate in light of the Debtor's reduced investment time horizon under the chapter 11 plan. As noted above, the Debtor intends to liquidate its investments in the next two years. The Funds, on the other hand, have a much longer investment time horizon and, as a result, have very different financial incentives with respect to their investments. The Funds and Advisors accordingly believe that the Funds and the other preference shareholders would be best served by a portfolio manager with a similar long-term perspective.

25. Upon information and belief, none of the CLOs needs liquidity at the current time, as the next quarterly waterfall payments are not due until February 2021. The Funds and Advisors accordingly submit that none of the CLOs, the other holders of preference shares and notes issued by the CLOs, or the Debtor will be harmed by the temporary restriction proposed by this Motion. Notably, the Funds and Advisors are not seeking to restrict the Debtor from performing any of its other functions for the CLOs or to modify the Debtor's compensation from the CLOs in any way.

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## CONCLUSION

26. For the reasons set forth above, the Funds and Advisors respectfully request that the Court grant the relief requested in the Motion and such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

Dated: December 8, 2020

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on December 8, 2020, I caused the foregoing document to be served via first class United States mail, postage prepaid and/or electronic email through the Court's CM/ECF system to the parties that consented to such service, as each are listed in the debtor's service list filed at docket entry 1442, Exhibits A and B.

This the 8th day of December, 2020

/s/ Artoush Varshosaz

Artoush Varshosaz

**CERTIFICATE OF CONFERENCE**

I hereby certify that on December 7, 2020, I conferred with Mr. Greg Demo, counsel for the Debtors, regarding the relief requested in the motion. Mr. Demo informed me that the Debtors do not consent to the relief sought in the motion.

This the 8th day of December, 2020

/s/ James A. Wright III

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	)	
Debtors.	)	(Jointly Administered)
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**DECLARATION OF DUSTIN NORRIS**

I, Dustin Norris, hereby declare pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, that the following is true and correct.

1. I am the Executive Vice President of NexPoint Advisors, L.P. (“**NexPoint**”).
  
2. I submit this Declaration based on my personal knowledge and information supplied to me by other members of NexPoint’s management. I submit this Declaration in support of the Motion for Order Imposing Temporary Restrictions on Debtor’s Ability, as Portfolio Manager, to Initiate Sales by Non-Debtor CLO Vehicles (the “Motion”) by NexPoint, Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P. (“**HCMFA**”, and together with NexPoint, the “**Advisors**”), Highland Income Fund, NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund, and NexPoint Capital, Inc. (together, the “**Funds**”).
  
3. The Motion concerns the following non-debtor investment vehicles: Aberdeen Loan Funding, Ltd., Brentwood CLO, Ltd., Eastland CLO, Ltd., Gleneagles CLO, Ltd., Grayson CLO, Ltd., Greenbriar CLO, Ltd., Jasper CLO, Ltd., Liberty CLO, Ltd., Red River CLO, Ltd., Rockwall CDO, Ltd., Rockwall CDO II Ltd., Southfork CLO, Ltd., Stratford CLO Ltd., Loan Funding VII, LLC, and Westchester CLO, Ltd. (collectively, the “**CLOs**”).

4. The Funds each hold interests in the CLOs.

5. The CLOs are securitization vehicles formed to acquire and hold pools of debt obligations. They also issued various tranches of notes and preference shares, which are intended to be repaid from proceeds of the subject CLO's pool of debt obligations. The notes issued by the CLOs are paid according to a contractual waterfall, with the value remaining in the CLO after the notes are fully paid flowing to the holders of the preference shares.

6. The CLOs were created many years ago. Most of the CLOs are, at this point, past their reinvestment period and have paid off all the tranches of notes or, in a few instances, all but the last and most junior tranche. Accordingly, most of the economic value remaining in the CLOs, and all of the upside, belongs to the holders of the preference shares. The repayment status of the notes in the CLOs as of November 2020 is shown on Exhibit A hereto, and the Funds' collective ownership of the preference shares is shown on Exhibit B hereto.

7. The CLOs have each separately contracted for Highland Capital Management, L.P. (the "**Debtor**") to serve as the CLO's portfolio manager. The title given to the Debtor by the CLOs varies from CLO to CLO based on the relevant agreements, but the Debtor has the same general rights and obligations for each CLO. In this capacity, the Debtor is responsible, among other things, for making decisions to sell the CLOs assets. Although the portfolio management agreements vary, the agreements generally impose a duty on the Debtor when acting as portfolio manager to maximize the value of the CLO's assets for the benefit of the CLO's noteholders and preference shareholders.

8. During the chapter 11 case, the Debtor has directed the disposition of other assets in a manner that suggests a focus on quick monetization at the expense of maximizing returns for investors and/or the estate. For example, Debtor-controlled entities sold a collective majority

interest in an unsecured term loan to OmniMax International, Inc. Other non-Debtor controlled entities, advised by the Advisors, were able to secure a substantially better price for their stake in the same asset by being willing to hold it and transacting at a later date. Given the Debtor-controlled entities large ownership in the unsecured loan, the Advisors believe the Debtor was well-positioned to realize a higher price.


9. Also, upon information and belief, the Debtor, through its wholly owned subsidiary Trussway Holdings, LLC (“**Trussway**”), consummated a sale transaction where Trussway sold a division, SSP Holdings, LLC, in which Trussway had a majority interest. Upon information and belief, the sale was conducted without a formal competitive bidding process and resulted in a loss of \$10 million, despite certain metrics of SSP Holdings, LLC having improved materially since it was acquired in 2014.

10. The Advisors did not agree with the Debtor’s decision to execute recent sales for certain of the CLOs, because the Advisors viewed those assets as having greater value if held as long-term investments. When the Advisors became aware the Debtor was considering these transactions, NexPoint requested that the Debtor not consummate the sales.

11. Upon information and belief, none of the CLOs need liquidity at the current time, as the next quarterly waterfall payments are not due until February 2021.

I declare under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 8<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2020, in Allen, Texas,

By:   
Dustin Norris

**EXHIBIT A**



**CLO Note Repayment Status<sup>1</sup>****Aberdeen Loan Funding, Ltd.**

<b><u>Security</u></b>	<b><u>CUSIP</u></b>	<b><u>Remaining Balance</u></b>
Class A Notes	00306LAA2	\$0
Class B Notes	00306LAB0	\$0
Class C Notes	00306LAC8	\$0
Class D Notes	00306LAD6	\$0
Class E Notes	00306MAA0	\$0
Class I Preference Shares	00306M201	\$12,000,000.00
Class II Preference Shares	00306M300	\$36,000,000.00

**Brentwood CLO, Ltd.**

<b><u>Security</u></b>	<b><u>CUSIP</u></b>	<b><u>Remaining Balance</u></b>
Class A-1A Notes	107265AA8	\$0
Class A-1B Notes	107265AM2	\$0
Class A-2 Notes	107265AC4	\$0
Class B Notes	107265AE0	\$0
Class C Notes	107265AG5	\$0
Class D Notes	107265AK5	\$10,279,258.35
Class I Preference Shares	107264202	\$34,400,000.00
Class II Preference Shares	107264400	\$37,000,000.00

**Eastland CLO, Ltd.**

<b><u>Security</u></b>	<b><u>CUSIP</u></b>	<b><u>Remaining Balance</u></b>
Class A-1 Notes	277345AA2	\$0
Class A-2a Notes	277345AC8	\$0
Class A-2b Notes	277345AE4	\$0
Class A-3 Notes	277345AG9	\$0
Class B Notes	277345AJ3	\$0
Class C Notes	277345AL8	\$0
Class D Notes	27734AAA1	\$3,251,287.27
Class I Preference Shares	27734A202	\$85,000,000.00
Class II Preference Shares	27734A400	\$38,500,000.00

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<sup>1</sup> As of December 1, 2020.

Gleneagles CLO, Ltd.

<b><u>Security</u></b>	<b><u>CUSIP</u></b>	<b><u>Remaining Balance</u></b>
Class A-1 Notes		\$0
Class A-2 Notes		\$0
Class B Notes		\$0
Class C Notes		\$0
Class D Notes		\$0
Class 1 Combination Notes		\$0
Class 2 Combination Notes		\$0
Preference Shares	37866PAB5 & G39165AA6	\$91,000,000.00

Grayson CLO, Ltd.

<b><u>Security</u></b>	<b><u>CUSIP</u></b>	<b><u>Remaining Balance</u></b>
Class A-1a Notes	389669AA0	\$0
Class A-1b Notes	389669AB8	\$0
Class A-2 Notes	389669AC6	\$0
Class B Notes	389669AD4	\$0
Class C	389669AE2	\$0
Class D	389668AA2	\$9,011,534.74
Class I Preference Shares	389669203	\$52,500,000.00
Class II Preference Shares	389669302	\$75,000,000.00

Greenbriar CLO, Ltd.

<b><u>Security</u></b>	<b><u>CUSIP</u></b>	<b><u>Remaining Balance</u></b>
Class A Notes	393647AA0	\$0
Class B Notes	393647AB8	\$0
Class C Notes	393647AC6	\$0
Class D Notes	393647AD4	\$0
Class E Notes	39364PAA0	\$0
Class I Preference Shares	39364P201	\$20,000,000.00
Class II Preference Shares	39364P300	\$60,000,000.00

Jasper CLO, Ltd.

<b><u>Security</u></b>	<b><u>CUSIP</u></b>	<b><u>Remaining Balance</u></b>
Class A Notes		\$0
Class B Notes		\$0
Class C Notes		\$0
Class D-1 Notes		\$0
Class D-2 Notes		\$0
Preference Shares	471315200	\$70,000,000.00

Liberty CLO, Ltd.

<b><u>Security</u></b>	<b><u>CUSIP</u></b>	<b><u>Remaining Balance</u></b>
Class A-1a Notes		\$0
Class A-1b Notes		\$0
Class A-1c Notes		\$0
Class A-2 Notes		\$0
Class A-3 Notes		\$0
Class A-4 Notes		\$0
Class B Notes		\$0
Class C Notes		\$0
Class Q-1 Notes		\$0
Class P-1 Notes		\$0
Class E Certificates	EP0175232 & 530360205	\$94,000,000.00

Red River CLO, Ltd.

<b><u>Security</u></b>	<b><u>CUSIP</u></b>	<b><u>Remaining Balance</u></b>
Class A Notes	75686VAA2	\$0
Class B Notes	75686VAB0	\$0
Class C Notes	75686VAC8	\$0
Class D Notes	75686VAD2	\$0
Class E Notes	75686XAA8	\$0
Class I Preference Shares	75686X209	\$36,000,000.00
Class II Preference Shares	75686X308	\$45,000,000.00

Rockwall CDO, Ltd.

<b><u>Security</u></b>	<b><u>CUSIP</u></b>	<b><u>Remaining Balance</u></b>
Class A-1LA Notes	774262AA7	\$0
Class A-1LB Notes	774262AB5	\$0
Class A-2L Notes	774262AC3	\$0
Class A-3L Notes	774262AD1	\$0
Class A-4L Notes	774262AE9	\$0
Class B-1L Notes	774262AF6	\$0
Class X Notes	774262AG4	\$0
Class I Preference Shares	774272207	\$33,200,000.00
Class II Preference Shares	774261127	\$45,000,000.00

Rockwall CDO II Ltd.

<b>Security</b>	<b>CUSIP</b>	<b>Remaining Balance</b>
Class A-1LA Notes	77426NAA1	\$0
Class A-1LB Notes	77426NAB9	\$0
Class A-2L Notes	77426NAC7	\$0
Class A-3L Notes	77426NAD5	\$0
Class B-1L Notes	77426NAE3	\$0
Class B-2L Notes	77426RAA2	\$9,838,508.11
Class I Preference Shares	77426R203	\$42,200,000.00
Class II Preference Shares	77426R401	\$44,000,000.00

Southfork CLO, Ltd.

<b>Security</b>	<b>CUSIP</b>	<b>Remaining Balance</b>
Class A-1a Notes		\$0
Class A-1b Notes		\$0
Class A-1g Notes		\$0
Class A-2 Notes		\$0
Class A-3a Notes		\$0
Class B Notes		\$0
Class C Notes		\$0
Preference Shares	84427P202	\$80,200,000.00
Class I Composite Note		\$2,000,000.00

Stratford CLO Ltd.

<b>Security</b>	<b>CUSIP</b>	<b>Remaining Balance</b>
Class A-1 Notes	86280AAA5	\$0
Class A-2 Notes	86280AAC1	\$0
Class B Notes	86280AAD9	\$0
Class C Notes	86280AAE7	\$0
Class D Notes	86280AAF4	\$0
Class E Notes	86280AAG2	\$0
Class I Preference Shares	86280A202	\$17,500,000.00
Class II Preference Shares	86280A301	\$45,500,000.00

Loan Funding VII, LLC (aka Valhalla)

<b><u>Security</u></b>	<b><u>CUSIP</u></b>	<b><u>Remaining Balance</u></b>
Class A-1-A Notes		
Class A-2 Notes		
Class B Notes		
Class C-1 Notes		
Class C-2 Notes		
Class I Preference Shares	91914QAA4	\$82,000,000.00

Westchester CLO, Ltd.

<b><u>Security</u></b>	<b><u>CUSIP</u></b>	<b><u>Remaining Balance</u></b>
Class A-1-A Notes	95736XAA6	\$0
Class A-1-B Notes	95736XAB4	\$0
Class B Notes	95736XAD0	\$0
Class C Notes	95736XAE8	\$0
Class D Notes	95736XAF5	\$0
Class E Notes	95736XAG3	\$9,141,575.05
Class I Preference Shares	95736T206	\$80,000,000.00

**EXHIBIT B**

**Holdings of Preference Shares<sup>1</sup> in CLOs**

<b><u>CLO</u></b>	<b><u>HIF</u></b>	<b><u>NSOF</u></b>	<b><u>NC</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>
Aberdeen	0%	30.21%	0%	<b>30.21%</b>
Brentwood	0%	40.06%	0%	<b>40.06%</b>
Eastland	31.16%	10.53%	0%	<b>41.69%</b>
Gleneagles	9.74%	8.52%	0%	<b>18.26%</b>
Grayson	49.10%	10.75%	0.63%	<b>60.48%</b>
Greenbriar	0%	53.44%	0%	<b>53.44%</b>
Jasper	0%	17.86%	0%	<b>17.86%</b>
Liberty	0%	10.64%	0%	<b>10.64%</b>
Red River	0%	10.49%	0%	<b>10.49%</b>
Rockwall	6.14%	19.57%	0%	<b>25.71%</b>
Rockwall II	14.56%	5.65%	0%	<b>20.21%</b>
Southfork	0%	7.30%	0%	<b>7.30%</b>
Stratford	0%	69.05%	0%	<b>69.05%</b>
Loan Funding VII (aka Valhalla)	0%	1.83%	0%	<b>1.83%</b>
Westchester	0%	44.38%	0%	<b>44.38%</b>

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<sup>1</sup> Class E Certificates for Liberty CLO, Ltd.

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
DALLAS DIVISION**

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(Jointly Administered)

**ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR ORDER IMPOSING TEMPORARY  
RESTRICTIONS ON DEBTOR'S ABILITY, AS PORTFOLIO  
MANAGER, TO INITIATE SALES BY NON-DEBTOR CLO VEHICLES**

Upon the Motion (the “**Motion**”),<sup>1</sup> filed by Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P. (“**HCMFA**”) and NexPoint Advisors, L.P. (“**NexPoint**,” and together with HCMFA, the “**Advisors**”), and Highland Income Fund, NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund, and NexPoint Capital, Inc. (together, the “**Funds**”), seeking an order, pursuant to sections 105(a), 363, and 1107 of the Bankruptcy Code, imposing temporary restrictions on the Debtor’s

<sup>1</sup> Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings set forth in the Motion.



ability to initiate sales as portfolio manager (or other similar capacity) for certain non-debtor investment

vehicles (the “**CLOs**”); and upon the Declaration of Dustin Norris (the “**Declaration**”); and the Court, having reviewed the Motion and the Declaration; and due and sufficient notice of the Motion having been given; and it appearing that no other or further notice need be provided; and upon the record before the Court; and a hearing having been held on the Motion; and it appearing to the Court that good cause exists to grant the relief requested by the Motion;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The Motion is GRANTED as set forth herein.
2. For a period of thirty days, commencing on the date hereof, the Debtor, in its capacity as portfolio manager or such other similar role with respect to the CLOs, is hereby prohibited from causing the CLOs to engage in any asset sales until January \_\_\_, 2021.
3. The Court shall retain jurisdiction over all matters involving the enforcement, implementation and interpretation of this Order.

### END OF ORDER ###

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## **EXHIBIT B**

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
DALLAS DIVISION

In Re: ) **Case No. 19-34054-sgj-11**  
 ) Chapter 11  
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HIGHLAND CAPITAL ) Dallas, Texas  
MANAGEMENT, L.P., ) Wednesday, December 16, 2020  
 ) 1:30 p.m. Docket  
Debtor. )  
 ) - MOTION FOR ORDER IMPOSING  
 ) TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS [1528]  
 ) - DEBTOR'S EMERGENCY MOTION TO  
 ) QUASH SUBPOENA AND FOR ENTRY  
 ) OF PROTECTIVE ORDER [1564,  
 ) 1565]  
 ) - JAMES DONDERO'S MOTION FOR  
 ) ENTRY OF ORDER REQUIRING  
 ) NOTICE AND HEARING [1439]  
 )

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS  
BEFORE THE HONORABLE STACEY G.C. JERNIGAN,  
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE.

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1                   DALLAS, TEXAS - DECEMBER 16, 2020 - 1:35 P.M.

2                   THE COURT: All right. This is Judge Jernigan. We  
3 have settings in Highland. We have -- I guess the very first  
4 thing that we had set today was a motion of Dondero, Mr.  
5 Dondero wanting some sort of revised procedures for "future  
6 estate transactions occurring outside the ordinary course of  
7 business." Then, related to that, we received the other day  
8 -- I'm not showing it on the calendar, I'm not sure if that  
9 means it's moot now or not, but we had a motion for protective  
10 order and a motion to quash with regard to certain depositions  
11 that Mr. Dondero wanted in connection with his motion. The  
12 Debtor filed that motion to quash. It was to quash a  
13 deposition of Mr. Dubel, Mr. Nelms, Mr. Sevilla, and Mr.  
14 Caruso. And then we have the CLO Motion, what I'm calling the  
15 CLO Motion, of --

16                   (Interruption.)

17                   THE COURT: Okay. Let's --

18                   MR. POMERANTZ: Your Honor, this is Jeff Pomerantz.  
19 The first two motions have been resolved. And after Your  
20 Honor takes appearances, I'm happy to inform the Court of the  
21 proposed resolution, and there's an agreed order that we would  
22 upload after the hearing.

23                   THE COURT: Okay. Well, that is certainly music to  
24 my ears. All right. So I was just trying to lay out the  
25 program for what I thought was set, potentially three motions,

1 one of which was a deposition dispute.

2 All right. So let's go ahead and get appearances. Mr.  
3 Pomerantz, you're obviously appearing for the Debtor team.

4 MR. POMERANTZ: Yes. Good morning, Your Honor. Or  
5 good afternoon, Your Honor. Jeff Pomerantz; Pachulski Stang  
6 Ziehl & Jones. Also on the video with me today are John  
7 Morris and Greg Demo. They will be handling the CLO Motion,  
8 and I will be reporting to the Court on the resolution of Mr.  
9 Dondero's motion and our corollary discovery motions.

10 THE COURT: Okay. All right. Well, why don't I take  
11 an appearance from Mr. Dondero next. Mr. Lynn, I see you  
12 there.

13 MR. LYNN: Yes, Your Honor. I am here with Bryan  
14 Assink, who will replace me after the preliminaries when our  
15 business is done. Other than concurring with Mr. Pomerantz, I  
16 wanted to advise Your Honor that in the last 30 minutes we  
17 filed an additional motion where we're seeking a clarification  
18 with respect to the temporary restraining order that the Court  
19 entered last week.

20 THE COURT: All right. Well, I did see an email from  
21 my courtroom deputy right before walking in about that motion,  
22 and so that's why I was a little surprised and said "Music to  
23 my ears" that there was an agreed order on the Dondero  
24 motions. But I'll get the details --

25 MR. LYNN: Well, we're --



1           THE COURT: I'll get the details about that in a  
2 minute. Let me go ahead and get the other appearances.

3           For the Movants on what I've called the CLO Motion, who do  
4 we have appearing?

5           MR. WRIGHT: Good afternoon, Your Honor. It's James  
6 Wright of K&L Gates for the -- I guess I'll call them the  
7 Movant for this motion.

8           THE COURT: Yes. Sometimes you're referred to as the  
9 Advisors and the Funds and -- but Movants on Docket Entry  
10 1528.

11          All right. For the Committee, I know you have weighed in  
12 on a couple of these motions. Who do we have?

13          MR. CLEMENTE: Good afternoon, Your Honor. Matt  
14 Clemente with Sidley Austin on behalf of the Committee.

15          THE COURT: All right. Well, we have a lot of folks  
16 on the phone. I think I've covered everybody who filed a  
17 pleading for today. Is there anyone else who would like to  
18 appear? I'd really like to restrict it only to those who have  
19 filed pleadings today.

20          MS. MATSUMURA: This is Rebecca Matsumura from King &  
21 Spalding representing Highland CLO Funding, Ltd. I don't  
22 expect I'll be weighing in today, but there are a couple  
23 issues that I may say a sentence on, so I want to go ahead and  
24 make my appearance now.

25          THE COURT: All right. Thank you. Anyone else?

1           MR. BAIN: Yes, Your Honor. Joseph Bain; Jones  
2 Walker; on behalf of the CLO Issuers.

3           THE COURT: All right.

4           MR. BAIN: And Your Honor, if we may make certain  
5 comments at the requisite time, we'd appreciate it.

6           THE COURT: All right. Thank you. Anyone else?

7           All right. Well, Mr. Pomerantz, let's hear about the  
8 agreements you have on the Dondero-related motions.

9           MR. POMERANTZ: Happy to, Your Honor. And yes, Mr.  
10 Lynn is correct, we saw also an emergency motion that came  
11 through that I'll have a couple of comments at the end of my  
12 presentation.

13           So, as I mentioned before, Your Honor, I'm pleased to  
14 report that with respect to the two motions that Your Honor  
15 scheduled for today's hearing, we have an agreement with Mr.  
16 Dondero. One was the motion of Mr. Dondero requiring  
17 transactions out of the ordinary course to be brought before  
18 this Court. The second was the Debtor's motion to quash a  
19 series of subpoenas that had been issued in the last two days,  
20 requiring board members and others to testify.

21           As part of the agreement, we have agreed with Mr. Dondero  
22 that his motion, which is presently set for today, shall be  
23 continued to January 4th, which is the same date set as the  
24 continued hearing on the preliminary injunction relating to  
25 the TRO that Your Honor had entered last week.

1       As part of that agreement, the Debtor has agreed that it  
2 will provide Mr. Dondero with three business days' notice  
3 before selling any non-security assets from any managed funds  
4 accounts through and including January 13th, which is the date  
5 set for confirmation.

6       While, as the Court is aware, the Debtor doesn't believe  
7 that any notice, opportunity for hearing, or an order from the  
8 Court is required in connection with such transactions, as the  
9 Debtor does not have any current plans to sell non-security  
10 assets from managed funds before confirmation, it was willing  
11 to agree to the notice requirement as essentially a way of  
12 resolving the motion before Your Honor today and continuing  
13 until the 4th.

14       As part of the agreement as well, Your Honor, the parties  
15 have agreed that there will be no further discovery in  
16 connection with the motion that is set. That'll be no  
17 additional discovery by Mr. Dondero, so he is withdrawing the  
18 subpoenas as it relates to this motion, and there will be no  
19 further discovery as -- by the Debtor. As Your Honor, I  
20 think, is aware, there were depositions conducted of both Mr.  
21 Seery and Mr. Dondero on Monday in connection with this  
22 motion, but the discovery will not happen over the next couple  
23 of weeks.

24       Mr. Dondero wanted to make sure, and the Debtor didn't  
25 have any opposition, that that agreement with respect to no

1 discovery only relates to the pending motion before the Court.  
2 And in connection with any other matters relating to this  
3 bankruptcy case, Mr. Dondero would reserve the right to pursue  
4 discovery, and of course the Debtors would reserve the right  
5 to challenge discovery if we believed it was inappropriate or  
6 unduly burdensome.

7 With respect to the motion that was just filed, Your  
8 Honor, we had a chance to briefly review it. We haven't had a  
9 chance to discuss it with the board. In any event, we don't  
10 think there's an emergency. Mr. Dondero wants the opportunity  
11 to approach and communicate with the board. I've told Mr.  
12 Lynn that communications regarding the plan are to go through  
13 Mr. Seery. Mr. Seery is the Debtor's chief executive officer.  
14 He's the chief restructuring officer. And at this point, the  
15 board doesn't see a reason or have a desire to meet with Mr.  
16 Dondero to talk about his plan, but, again, would be happy to  
17 receive any written communications that Mr. Dondero has.

18 Mr. Dondero has sought to modify the TRO to allow him to  
19 speak to the board. Again, if the board agreed to speak with  
20 Mr. Dondero, that wouldn't violate the TRO, provided that  
21 counsel would be present. But at this point, the board has  
22 decided that it would be inappropriate and not a good use of  
23 anyone's time to have that communication and that Mr. Dondero  
24 should continue to communicate through Mr. Seery, the Debtor's  
25 chief executive officer.

1           If Your Honor, after reading the motion and hearing my  
2       comments, and I'm sure Judge Lynn's comments that he will make  
3       to Your Honor, Your Honor wants to set it for hearing, we  
4       would submit, Your Honor, there's no emergency and that a  
5       hearing could be set next week, but we would think Your Honor  
6       might be able to dispose of the motion just on the papers and  
7       the limited argument that would go on today.

8           THE COURT: All right.

9           MR. POMERANTZ: Thank you, Your Honor.

10          THE COURT: All right. Mr. Lynn, first, could you  
11       confirm the terms of the agreed order that Mr. Pomerantz just  
12       announced are consistent with what you and your client  
13       believed was negotiated?

14          THE CLERK: He's on mute.

15          THE COURT: You're on mute, sir.

16          MR. LYNN: Mr. Pomerantz has correctly stated the  
17       agreement of the parties. I am pleased to advise Your Honor  
18       that I expect that we will withdraw the motion that is  
19       presently pending to be heard on January 4th, since all we  
20       were asking for was notice until confirmation date. If those  
21       sales are going to take place before then, we don't have a  
22       problem any longer with the pre-confirmation activity of Mr.  
23       Seery.

24          With regard to the motion that we filed requesting that  
25       the temporary restraining order be modified, we would point

1 out, respectfully, that the independent board is the board of  
2 directors of Strand Advisors. Strand Advisors belongs to Mr.  
3 Dondero. It is not unreasonable for the sole stockholder of  
4 Strand Advisors to ask the board questions or present thoughts  
5 to the board or ask its advice. Mr. Seery, on the other hand,  
6 while being a member of the board of Strand, is the chief  
7 executive officer and the chief restructuring officer of  
8 Highland, which is not the same as Strand.

9 Furthermore, Your Honor, Mr. Dondero has been attempting  
10 for several months to negotiate an arrangement by which the  
11 Debtor can continue as a going concern. It is his desire to  
12 discuss further with the board as a whole what he can do in  
13 that regard. I think the Court, by directing him originally  
14 to participate in the mediation that took place in September,  
15 expected him to do so. He has attempted to do so. And while  
16 he has not gotten a response from the Creditors' Committee  
17 that is definitive, he has at least caught the interest of Mr.  
18 Seery, though that interest may have died for a variety of  
19 reasons in recent weeks.

20 And by the way, next week is fine with us. We're not in a  
21 hurry beyond that if the Court feels further discussion would  
22 be useful.

23 MR. POMERANTZ: Your Honor, just a couple of points  
24 in response.

25 Mr. Dondero has the right to request an audience with the

1 board. He has requested the audience with the board. The  
2 board has considered it and decided not to communicate in that  
3 fashion with Mr. Dondero at this time. There is nothing that  
4 Your Honor can do in the TRO that would change that, other  
5 than ordering the board to speak with Mr. Dondero, which I  
6 highly doubt Your Honor would do.

7 Having said that, this board in general and Mr. Seery in  
8 particular have been very supportive of an overall resolution  
9 to this case, not only with the creditors, but with Mr.  
10 Dondero. Mr. Seery has spent tens if not hundreds of hours  
11 over the last several months working with Mr. Dondero to try  
12 to get him in a position to present something that would have  
13 traction with the Unsecured Creditors. Unfortunately, that  
14 hasn't occurred. We understand there have been communications  
15 between Mr. Lynn and Mr. Clemente. And if there is any hope  
16 of a plan and any traction with the creditors, this Debtor in  
17 general and Mr. Seery in particular stands ready, willing, and  
18 able to do anything within the Debtor's power to help that  
19 out.

20 So, it's not really the Debtor standing in the way. It's  
21 an economic agreement ultimately that needs to be reached with  
22 Mr. Clemente and his constituents and Mr. Lynn. And if that  
23 can be reached, we will be the first to jump on that bandwagon  
24 and do everything humanly possible to have that occur.

25 Thank you, Your Honor.

1           THE COURT: All right. Well, again, I've not read  
2 the motion. I've just seen an email that I have this motion.  
3 I'm a little bit confused. I don't want to spend too long on  
4 this because we have another motion to get to. But I'm a  
5 little bit confused on how Dondero wants the TRO to be  
6 modified. If he has the right already to request an audience  
7 of the board, what is it that is problematic about the TRO  
8 that he wants modified?

9           THE CLERK: He's on mute.

10          THE COURT: You're on mute.

11          MR. LYNN: Sorry, Your Honor. As I told you before,  
12 you must forgive me, my command of technology is not great.

13          In response, I would say that I question whether it is  
14 appropriate, in advance of a meeting with the board of his  
15 company, that what he wants to talk about should be screened.  
16 And that is what has occurred in our effort to meet by  
17 telephone with the board.

18          Any such meeting would, of course, be subject to the  
19 restraints that are included in the temporary restraining  
20 order, in that both Mr. Pomerantz or his designee and I would  
21 participate in any such discussion. I respectfully submit  
22 Strand is his. Nobody may like that, but it is his, and he  
23 ought to be able to talk to his own board.

24          THE COURT: Is this about having a conversation  
25 without the Committee's involvement? I just don't -- hmm. I



1 just need to see the motion.

2 Mr. Clemente, anything you want to add at this juncture?  
3 Have you even reviewed the motion yet?

4 MR. CLEMENTE: Your Honor, I apologize. I haven't  
5 actually even seen the motion. And so I have no comment on  
6 it, Your Honor. I apologize for not having been able to look  
7 at it.

8 THE COURT: Okay. Well, what about the agreed order  
9 that's been announced? Any comment on that?

10 MR. CLEMENTE: Your Honor, we support the resolution  
11 that Mr. Pomerantz announced on the record.

12 THE COURT: Okay. All right. Well, I assume there's  
13 nothing further, then, on the Dondero motions that were  
14 scheduled today?

15 All right. So I will happily accept the agreed order that  
16 has been announced. For now, we will continue the Dondero  
17 motion that was Docket Entry No. 1439 to January 4th, when the  
18 preliminary injunction hearing is set. And we -- I understand  
19 there are going to be no more discovery requests in connection  
20 with these matters that were set today.

21 And I will review the motion that Mr. Dondero has filed  
22 shortly before today's hearing in chambers later, and I will  
23 have my courtroom deputy communicate to the lawyers whether I  
24 see fit to set it for an emergency hearing next week or rule  
25 on the pleadings or set it for January 4th. Those are, I

1 guess, the three possibilities I can think of that I might  
2 decide upon.

3 So, again, I'm not making any ruling at all on a motion I  
4 haven't read yet. So I'll -- the courtroom deputy will let  
5 you all know, if not later today, tomorrow. Probably  
6 tomorrow, because I have a confirmation hearing set later  
7 today in another case.

8 All right. So, thank you all for working these issues  
9 out. And Mr. Pomerantz, Mr. Dondero -- or, excuse me, Mr.  
10 Lynn, anything further on the Dondero disputes?

11 MR. POMERANTZ: Nothing from the Debtor, Your Honor.

12 MR. LYNN: Your Honor, nothing from Mr. Dondero. May  
13 I be excused?

14 THE COURT: Is anyone anticipating needing Mr.  
15 Dondero's counsel for the other matter? All right. If not,  
16 then I certainly have no problem with you dropping off the  
17 line, Mr. Lynn. Thank you.

18 MR. LYNN: Thank you, Your Honor.

19 THE COURT: Okay. All right. So let's turn next to  
20 the CLO Motion. I take it there are no agreements on this  
21 one?

22 MR. POMERANTZ: There are not, Your Honor.

23 MR. WRIGHT: There are not, Your Honor. I can  
24 confirm that.

25 THE COURT: All right. Mr. Wright, do you have

1 anything you want to say as far as an opening statement before  
2 we go to the evidence?

3 MR. WRIGHT: I don't, Your Honor. My intention, if  
4 it's okay with you, you asked me to bring a witness, so I do  
5 have Mr. Norris from my client, and I was going to just remind  
6 the Court who I am and state the name of all of my Movants,  
7 and then I was going to move directly to put him on the stand  
8 and go through a brief direct.

9 THE COURT: All right. I think I heard Mr. Morris is  
10 going to handle this phase of the hearing.

11 MR. DEMO: And Your Honor, this is Greg Demo from  
12 Pachulski on behalf of the Debtor.

13 THE COURT: Oh, okay.

14 MR. DEMO: We would like to make a brief opening  
15 statement before we have witnesses, if that's all right with  
16 Your Honor.

17 THE COURT: All right. I'm fine with that. So, --

18 MR. DEMO: All right.

19 THE COURT: -- go ahead.

20 MR. DEMO: All right. Well, thank you, Your Honor.  
21 Again, Greg Demo; Pachulski Stang; on behalf of the Debtor.

22 We are here today on what really amounts to the third of  
23 three motions that deal with Mr. Dondero's attempts, either  
24 directly or through a proxy, to transfer control away from the  
25 Debtor and back to Mr. Dondero.

1       The current motion is filed by NexPoint Capital and  
2 Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors and three of their  
3 managed funds: Highland Income Fund, NexPoint Capital, and  
4 NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Funds.

5       Mr. Dondero owns and controls NexPoint Capital and  
6 Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors. While both  
7 NexPoint Capital and Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors  
8 are governed by boards, the boards have no investment  
9 authority with respect to the funds they manage, nor was the  
10 boards' approval necessary to file the motion, or obtained.

11       Mr. Dondero is the sole portfolio manager for NexPoint  
12 Strategic Opportunities Fund and Highland Income Fund. Mr.  
13 Dondero is one of three portfolio managers for NexPoint  
14 Capital. Mr. Dondero's decisions are not subject to  
15 oversight.

16       The Movants disclosed these facts in their recent SEC  
17 filings, and there can be no dispute that Mr. Dondero is the  
18 controlling figure behind the Movants in the relief being  
19 sought in the motion which seeks to impede the Debtor's  
20 efforts to exercise its rights as a CLO manager.

21       The fact that this motion was even filed is quite  
22 surprising, since on December 7th the Debtor filed a complaint  
23 and TRO based upon Mr. Dondero's unlawful efforts to frustrate  
24 the Debtor's efforts to sell assets from the very CLOs that  
25 are the subject of this motion.

1       The Court granted the TRO on December 10th. Mr. Dondero  
2       also filed a motion seeking similar relief in November, which  
3       has now been adjourned to January 4th.

4       The Movants are essentially now seeking an order from this  
5       Court enjoining the Debtor from exercising its rights as a CLO  
6       manager and requiring the Debtor to seek the Movants' and Mr.  
7       Dondero's permission to fulfill its obligations as a manager  
8       for the CLOs.

9       The Movants, however, do not come right out and say this,  
10      and instead couch the motion as seeking to simply pause the  
11      CLOs' asset sales while the Movants and the Debtor engage in  
12      discussions regarding the future of the CLOs' management.

13      In the motion, the Movants also argue the Debtor has made  
14      decisions detrimental to the interests of the preference  
15      shareholders because the Debtor is trying to monetize its  
16      assets in a manner inconsistent with the preference shares'  
17      objectives.

18      The Movants simply mischaracterize the facts, the parties'  
19      respective rights under contracts, and the law.

20      First, to the extent the Movants hold interests, they hold  
21      only preference shares in the CLOs and are minority investors  
22      in the preference shares of 12 of the 15 CLOs at issue. In  
23      one third of the CLOs, the Movants' interests sit behind  
24      senior debt which must be paid first.

25      Notably, Your Honor, no other investors in the CLOs are

1 here or have expressed support for the Movants' position.

2 Second, the Movants simply have no right under the  
3 contracts governing the CLOs to the relief they are  
4 requesting. The CLOs are governed by a series of agreements  
5 which were agreed to long ago and dictate the rights of all  
6 investors of the CLOs. The enforceability of those agreements  
7 is relied on by all investors, not just the Movants.

8 Under these agreements, investment discretion is given to  
9 the CLOs' manager -- in this case, the Debtor -- and no  
10 investor has the right to direct the CLO manager. The manager  
11 was chosen to manage the CLOs' assets. No individual investor  
12 was chosen to manage the CLOs' assets.

13 Simply said, there will be no evidence that the Movants  
14 have the right to do what they're trying to do, and there will  
15 be no evidence that the Movants' preferences with respect to  
16 the CLOs' assets is in line with that of the other investors  
17 in the CLOs.

18 Under the relevant agreements, if an investor is not happy  
19 with a manager's performance, the investor's rights are  
20 generally limited to replacing the manager. The investors  
21 here -- excuse me, the Movants here -- have not done that and  
22 cannot do that. Under the agreements, replacement requires at  
23 least the majority of the preference shares that are not  
24 affiliates of the managers. In 12 of the 15 CLOs, the Movants  
25 hold a substantial minority interest position. They are not

1 the majority. In the three CLOs in which they are the  
2 majority, the Movants still cannot replace the Debtor as the  
3 investment manager because they are the Debtor's affiliates.

4 It is indisputable that, prior to January 9th, when Mr.  
5 Dondero was removed from control of the Debtor, that the  
6 Debtor, NexPoint Advisors, Highland Capital Management Fund  
7 Advisors, and the three funds were the Debtor's affiliates  
8 because of Mr. Dondero's common control.

9 After January 9th, where the Court removed Mr. Dondero  
10 from control of the Debtor, the Debtor is arguably, under the  
11 documents, not an affiliate. However, Your Honor, the Movants  
12 have disclosed in their recent proxy statements filed in 2020  
13 that they still consider themselves the Debtor's affiliate,  
14 and they should be bound by that statement. The Movants, by  
15 virtue of Mr. Dondero's being removed from control of the  
16 Debtor, should not be able to use that removal to reassert  
17 control over the CLOs that were taken away from Mr. Dondero  
18 when he was removed in January 2020.

19 The Debtor believes that additional briefing may be needed  
20 on this issue, and that a ruling specifically on this issue  
21 and the parties' relative rights under the CLO management  
22 agreements may be needed. The Debtor reserves its right to  
23 brief this issue and to bring it before this Court, either as  
24 a declaratory judgment or any other procedurally-appropriate  
25 motion.

1           Because the Debtor -- excuse me. The Movants have no  
2 right to the relief requested. They argue that the relief is  
3 justified because of the mismatch between the investors'  
4 timelines and the Movants'. This is not true. The Movants  
5 cite to three transactions to justify their statement in the  
6 motion: SSP, OmniMax, and certain recent transactions.

7           The recent transactions were the attempted sales of two  
8 public equities immediately before Thanksgiving that Mr.  
9 Dondero interfered with. You'll hear testimony from Mr. Seery  
10 about each of these transactions and how each was in the best  
11 interest of the CLOs.

12           First, SSP. SSP is a steel business that was suffering  
13 for a number of reasons. The Debtor's investment team  
14 believed SSP should be sold since 2019. The Debtor received  
15 multiple offers for SSP, the Debtor evaluated these offers,  
16 and the Debtor choose the one that was the best. The SSP sale  
17 closed in early November.

18           Notably, Your Honor, none of the CLOs held an equity  
19 interest in SSP, its parent, or in Trussway. Instead, they  
20 held debt, and they got exactly what they bargained for,  
21 repayment of their debt obligations in full.

22           OmniMax, Your Honor, is the second one. It is a  
23 fabricator of building materials. The CLOs and the Movants  
24 held an interest in OmniMax debt which they have been trying  
25 to refinance or equitize since 2019. That deal was intended



1 to include the Movants, but instead of working with the  
2 Debtor, Mr. Dondero held out and used the threat of litigation  
3 against OmniMax to secure a higher price for the Movants, to  
4 the detriment of the CLOs.

5 As Mr. Seery will testify, these two transactions were all  
6 about maximizing value and have nothing to do with investment  
7 timelines.

8 Finally, Your Honor, the Movants reference the  
9 Thanksgiving transactions. These transactions were discussed  
10 in the context of Mr. Dondero's TRO. Mr. Seery directed  
11 Debtor personnel, on the advice of his investment team, to  
12 sell these securities. Mr. Dondero blocked those trades. Now  
13 the Movants argue that the reason those trades were blocked  
14 was because of a mismatch between the Movants' and the  
15 Debtor's investment timelines. That is not the case. Mr.  
16 Seery will testify as to these trades. The Debtor is an  
17 investment manager and appreciates that its decisions with  
18 respect to how it manages its assets are -- is a judgment  
19 call. The evidence, however, will show that the Debtor at all  
20 times exercised that judgment in good faith based on all  
21 available information.

22 The Movants may disagree with the Debtor's judgment, Your  
23 Honor, but that is irrelevant. The Movants have no right to  
24 interfere with the Debtor's management of the CLOs. There is  
25 simply no statutory or contractual basis for this, not under

1 Section 363 and not under the CLO agreements.

2 Finally, Your Honor, -- I guess not finally. There's one  
3 more point I want to make. But Your Honor, this -- what we're  
4 here on today is notably similar to the Acis bankruptcy that  
5 Your Honor noted last time we were here last week. In that  
6 bankruptcy, HCLOF tried to direct the collateral manager to  
7 take certain actions that HCLOF thought were in the best  
8 interest of the CLOs. In this case, the Movants, through Mr.  
9 Dondero, are trying to file an action that functionally seeks  
10 to direct the Debtor to take interests that the Movants  
11 believe are in their best interest. There is substantial  
12 overlap between the litigation in Acis and the litigation  
13 here.

14 Finally, Your Honor, the Debtor has been in discussions  
15 with the CLOs' counsel on this issue. And the Debtor has been  
16 informed that the CLOs' position is that the Debtor's ability  
17 to operate under the management agreements should not be  
18 interfered with, not by the Movants or not by any other party.

19 Thank you, Your Honor. With that, I will turn it over to  
20 Mr. Norris. Or, I'm sorry, Mr. Wright.

21 THE COURT: All right. Mr. Wright, you may call your  
22 witness.

23 MR. WRIGHT: All right, Your Honor. Dustin Norris  
24 should be -- should be dialed in and should be available on  
25 screens.

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1 THE COURT: Okay. I'm going to --

2 MR. WRIGHT: I'll pause and have him confirm that.

3 THE COURT: I'm going to ask you, Mr. Wright, to  
4 speak up or closer to your device. I didn't hear the name of  
5 your witness.

6 MR. WRIGHT: Sure. Sorry. It's Dustin Norris. I --  
7 last time, you were having trouble hearing me, and so I'm  
8 trying a different device this time. I actually followed the  
9 instructions that I found very helpful, so I'm trying my phone  
10 in hopes that it will work better.

11 THE COURT: All right.

12 MR. WRIGHT: But, yeah, it's Dustin Norris. D-U-S-T-  
13 I-N, N-O-R-R -- N-O-R-R-I-S.

14 THE COURT: All right. Mr. Norris, can you say  
15 "Testing one two" so we pick up your video?

16 MR. NORRIS: Testing one two.

17 THE COURT: All right.

18 MR. NORRIS: Testing one two.

19 THE COURT: All right. Please raise your right hand.

20 DUSTIN NORRIS, MOVANTS' WITNESS, SWORN

21 THE COURT: All right. Mr. Wright, you may proceed.

22 MR. WRIGHT: Thank you, Your Honor.

23 DIRECT EXAMINATION

24 BY MR. WRIGHT:

25 Q Mr. Norris, you're employed by NexPoint Advisors?

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1 A I am. That's correct.

2 Q And what is your title and role there?

3 A Yeah. I am the executive vice president of NexPoint  
4 Advisors. In that role, I oversee business development,  
5 marketing, sales, investor relations. And as far as the funds  
6 advised by the advisor, I'm the liaison with the independent  
7 board on the business side.

8 Q Thank you. Do you also have a role for Highland Capital  
9 Management Fund Advisors?

10 A I do. I'm also the same executive vice president and  
11 fulfill that same role as it pertains to business development,  
12 sales, investor relations. And in both, I'm also working on  
13 product development. So, launching, developing new products  
14 and investment funds.

15 Q Do you also have a role for Highland Income Fund, NexPoint  
16 Strategic Opportunities Fund, and NexPoint Capital, Inc.?

17 A I do. I'm also executive vice president for each of those  
18 funds.

19 Q Thank you. Have you ever served on the boards of these  
20 three funds?

21 A I have. I've served as the interested trustee, sole  
22 interested trustee for each of these funds. I'm no longer the  
23 board member or interested trustee, but still serve as an  
24 officer, executive vice president, for each fund.

25 Q At times, I'm going to refer to NexPoint Advisors, LP and

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1 Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, LP simply as the  
2 Advisors, to avoid having to keep saying their long names.  
3 And similarly with the three funds that are part of the  
4 motion, I may just call them the Funds.

5 Can you explain the relationship between the Advisors and  
6 the Funds, briefly?

7 A Yeah. So, each of these are investment companies that are  
8 registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940. So, with  
9 that comes a unique relationship between an investment advisor  
10 and the funds themselves. The Funds don't have employees.  
11 They rely on the investment advisor and investment advisor  
12 employees. And between the Funds and the Advisors is an  
13 investment advisory agreement. And the Funds themselves are  
14 also overseen by an independent board, and that's by statute  
15 by the 1940 Act.

16 Q Okay. And just to be clear, when you said that these are  
17 -- entities are investment companies, you meant that the three  
18 Funds are investment companies?

19 A Correct. Correct. The three Funds are investment  
20 companies. The investment advisors are not investment  
21 companies.

22 Q Thank you. Can you explain the role of the board for the  
23 Funds?

24 A Yeah. So, as prescribed by the Investment Company Act of  
25 1940, there are certain obligations related to an investment

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1 company, and one of those is they must be overseen by an  
2 independent board. And the independent board has a  
3 responsibility to oversee the -- certain material agreements,  
4 including the advisory agreement. And we meet regularly with  
5 the boards. They overseas certain processes and, again, all  
6 material contracts. And the board is, by Section 15(c) of the  
7 1940 Act, required by law to annually review the capabilities  
8 of the Advisor and to either approve or reject the advisory  
9 contracts. So, each year, those contracts are renewed by the  
10 independent board.

11 There are certain obligations of the Fund and operations  
12 that are delegated responsibility to the investment advisors.  
13 That includes portfolio management and investment decisions.  
14 But all those are overseen by the board.

15 Q Okay. And are the boards involved in the day-to-day  
16 operations of the Funds?

17 A They're not.

18 Q Okay. And do you know who the members of the boards of  
19 these three Funds are?

20 A I do.

21 Q Could you share that with us?

22 A Yeah. So, the -- there is one interested trustee of each  
23 board, and that's John Honis. And then for the Highland  
24 Income Fund and the NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund --  
25 sorry, for NexPoint -- for Highland Income Fund and NexPoint

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1 Capital, we have the same three disinterested or independent  
2 trustees, and that's Bryan Ward, Dr. Bob Froehlich, and Ethan  
3 Powell. And for NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund, we  
4 have the same four trustees, one interested, three  
5 independent, but there's another fourth independent trustee,  
6 Ed Constantino.

7 Q And when you refer to independent trustees, do you mean  
8 independent for purposes of the Investment Company Act of  
9 1940, as amended?

10 A That's correct. They, by statute, they are independent  
11 trustees. They also have an independent legal counsel. Stacy  
12 Louizos represents them from Blank Rome. And also two of  
13 these Funds are listed on the New York Stock Exchange, and the  
14 New York Stock Exchange has various independence requirements  
15 that each independent director has met.

16 Q Thank you. And which are the two Funds that are listed on  
17 NYSE?

18 A The Highland Income Fund and the NexPoint Strategic  
19 Opportunities Fund are both NYSE-listed.

20 Q And I know you probably haven't memorized everybody who  
21 invests in the Funds, but can you give us a general idea of  
22 who invests in these Funds?

23 A Certainly. I definitely have not memorized them. There  
24 are thousands of individual investors in each of these Funds.  
25 Part of my role overseeing investor relations and sales, I do

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1 talk to a lot of those investors. But the majority of the  
2 investors in each of these Funds are individual investors.

3 As '40 Act Funds, almost anybody with a brokerage account  
4 can buy them. They have tickers, particularly the Funds that  
5 are listed. Closed-end funds. And so, with that, it is mom-  
6 and-pop investors. It's retail investors, including myself.  
7 I've allocated my 401(k) to these funds, the majority of my  
8 401(k) to these funds. But there are also institutional  
9 investors. There's hedge funds. There's ETFs. There are  
10 large high-net-worth individuals. But the majority of it is  
11 individual investors that have invested through their  
12 brokerage firms, be it Wells Fargo, Morgan Stanley, or Cetera.  
13 These are -- these are -- these are the individual investors.

14 Q Thank you. Does Mr. Dondero have investments in the  
15 Funds? Do you know?

16 A He does. He's invested in each of the Funds.

17 Q Does he have a majority investment in any of the Funds?

18 A He does not have a majority investment in any of the  
19 Funds.

20 Q Thank you. Does Mr. Dondero have a control relationship  
21 with the two Advisors?

22 A Yes. He does. With the Advisors.

23 Q And does he have a control relationship with the Funds?

24 A As it pertains to portfolio management, he is a portfolio  
25 manager of each Fund. But as discussed, as I mentioned, the



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1 independent board on an annual basis has the ability to  
2 terminate or renew our advisory contracts, and that -- that  
3 dynamic removes the control, overall control, of the Funds in  
4 that regard.

5 Q Are you familiar with the motion that the Court I think  
6 has accurately referred to as the CLO Motion that was filed by  
7 the two Advisors and the three Funds?

8 A Yes. I am familiar with it.

9 Q And I'm going to ask you a question now that I think is of  
10 interest to the Court, based on the last time I was in front  
11 of Judge Jernigan. Were any employees of the Debtor involved  
12 in deciding to bring this motion or in preparing the motion?

13 A No. None of the HCMLP employees, to my knowledge, were  
14 involved in preparing or deciding to bring the motion.

15 Q Okay. And you investigated who was involved in preparing  
16 the motion, so your knowledge is pretty good on this point?

17 A Correct. I have. And none were involved, based on that  
18 investigation.

19 Q (garbled) involved in deciding to bring a motion,  
20 preparing it, other than outside counsel and my firm?

21 A Yeah. So, the initial cause for concern was raised by Mr.  
22 Dondero himself to our legal -- internal legal team and  
23 compliance team. And working together with them, myself, and  
24 outside counsel, and senior management of Highland Capital  
25 Management Fund Advisors, including Joe Sowin, we prepared the

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1 order. Or, sorry, not the order, the motion.

2 Q All right. Thank you. Were the boards of the three Funds  
3 involved at all with bringing the motion?

4 A They were not involved in the preparation of the motion  
5 itself. They were aware and supportive, but they did not  
6 prepare the motion.

7 Q You provided a (audio gap), correct?

8 A Sorry. You did cut out there. I didn't hear the  
9 question.

10 Q I'll try again. You provided a declaration (garbled)  
11 motion, correct?

12 A I did, yes.

13 Q And there are two exhibits to your declaration. There's  
14 an Exhibit A and an Exhibit B.

15 A Correct.

16 Q Exhibit A, does this reflect the current repayment status  
17 of the various CLOs as we -- as you understand it to be as of  
18 December 1st?

19 A Yes, it does.

20 Q And does Exhibit (garbled) of the three Funds --

21 THE COURT: Okay. Mr. --

22 BY MR. WRIGHT:

23 Q -- and the various CLOs, --

24 THE COURT: Mr. Wright?

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1 Q -- as you understand it?

2 THE COURT: Mr. Wright, time out. Two things.

3 First, I don't know what you can do to improve --

4 MR. WRIGHT: Sure.

5 THE COURT: -- your connection, but you're

6 occasionally breaking up a little.

7 But second, can we be clear for myself, the record,  
8 everyone else, what you're referring to right now? We have an  
9 Advis... your witness and exhibit list is at Docket 1573. Is  
10 that what I should be looking at first?

11 MR. WRIGHT: Yes, Your Honor. The declaration of Mr.  
12 Norris. It's Docket 1522-1. And it's on our exhibit list.  
13 It may be the only exhibit on our exhibit list, frankly.

14 THE COURT: Okay. So you're talking about his  
15 declaration now, not the witness and exhibit list with the  
16 attachments to it? Actually, it is attached here. Exhibit A.  
17 Okay. I'm there. I went to Exhibit A in your attachments to  
18 your exhibit list at 1573.

19 All right. Let's try again with your question you just  
20 asked.

21 MR. WRIGHT: Sure.

22 BY MR. WRIGHT:

23 Q So, Mr. Norris, Exhibit A, this reflects the current  
24 repayment status of the CLOs that are the subject of the  
25 motion as of December 1. Correct?

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1 A Correct.

2 Q And then --

3 MR. WRIGHT: Your Honor, if you turn to Exhibit B,  
4 which is just a couple pages forward.

5 MR. MORRIS: Your Honor, I would ask that this be put  
6 up on the screen, if possible.

7 THE COURT: Yes. Can you do that, please?

8 MR. WRIGHT: I'm sorry. I couldn't hear that, John.

9 THE COURT: He asked if you could --

10 MR. MORRIS: I would --

11 THE COURT: -- share your screen. Can you share your  
12 screen as to what you're looking at?

13 MR. WRIGHT: Can I share my screen? Last time I was  
14 using a computer and you were having trouble hearing me, so  
15 this time I'm doing it on my phone. So my phone, no, I don't  
16 have this on my phone to share my screen that way. It's  
17 Docket 1522-1, and it's the only exhibit that was on our  
18 exhibit list.

19 MR. MORRIS: No objection, Your Honor.

20 MR. WRIGHT: All it shows is the holdings in Funds in  
21 the CLOs. That's all it is.

22 MR. MORRIS: No objection, Your Honor.

23 THE COURT: Okay.

24 MR. NORRIS: I'm sorry, John. I didn't hear.

25 THE COURT: Give me a minute, because I was at 1573,

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1 your witness and exhibit list.

2 (Pause.)

3 THE COURT: Okay. That's not the correct docket  
4 number.

5 MR. MORRIS: Your Honor?

6 THE COURT: Yes?

7 MR. MORRIS: If I may, it's John -- it's John Morris.  
8 It's Docket No. 1528. And the declaration can be found at  
9 Page 12 of 26.

10 MR. WRIGHT: Thank you.

11 THE COURT: 1528?

12 MR. WRIGHT: That's bizarre, because I have a  
13 printout of it and it says Docket 1522-1.

14 THE COURT: Okay. 1528 is the -- the actual motion  
15 we've set for hearing.

16 MR. MORRIS: And it's attached to that, yes. If you  
17 -- if you go to PDF Page 12, it's the first page of the  
18 declaration.

19 THE COURT: Okay. I'm there now. Okay. So we're on  
20 that declaration. And then you were having the witness look  
21 first at Exhibit A to that declaration. And then where are  
22 you having him look next? Exhibit B, which is entitled  
23 "Holdings of Preferred Shares in CLOs"?

24 MR. WRIGHT: Exhibit B, Your Honor.

25 THE COURT: Okay. Continue.

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1 MR. WRIGHT: (garbled) I think some of the exhibits  
2 that I have had the wrong docket number printed on the top,  
3 and I --

4 BY MR. WRIGHT:

5 Q Exhibit B. So, Mr. Norris, Exhibit B to your declaration  
6 shows the holdings of the preference shares of the Funds in  
7 the various CLOs that are the subject of the motion, correct?

8 A That's correct. One clarification. It shows the  
9 percentage ownership of each of those preference share  
10 tranches that each Fund owns.

11 Q Thank you. Mr. Norris, do the three Funds have a date by  
12 which they have to liquidate their investments?

13 A Sorry, you did skip out there. If you could you repeat  
14 the question. I apologize.

15 Q It's frustrating. Do the three Funds have a date by which  
16 they must liquidate their investments?

17 A No. They do not.

18 Q Okay. Can you briefly explain why the Advisors and the  
19 Funds brought this motion?

20 A Yeah. The Advisors and the Funds were concerned with  
21 certain transactions, as described in the motion. As  
22 preference share owners, we own the majority or a substantial  
23 portion of the economics of most of these CLOs, and in three  
24 instances the majority of the economic benefit. And there was  
25 concern with the way that the sales were executed. And so,

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1 with that, we're simply asking for a temporary relief in order  
2 to benefit and to maximize the recovery for our preference  
3 shares that we own.

4 Q Thank you.

5 MR. WRIGHT: All right, Your Honor. I have no  
6 further questions for Mr. Norris, although I guess I reserve  
7 the right to redirect.

8 THE COURT: All right. Cross-examination?

9 MR. MORRIS: Thank you, Your Honor.

10 CROSS-EXAMINATION

11 BY MR. MORRIS:

12 Q Good afternoon, Mr. Norris. Can you hear me?

13 A I can. Thank you, Mr. Morris.

14 Q All right. I'm going to go into a little bit more detail  
15 about some of the topics that you discussed. To be clear  
16 here, there are five moving parties; is that right?

17 A That's correct. The two Advisors and the three Funds.

18 Q And one of the advisory firms is Highland Capital  
19 Management Fund Advisors, LP; is that right?

20 A That's correct.

21 Q And I'll refer to that as Fund Advisors; is that okay?

22 A That's great.

23 Q James Dondero and Mark Okada are the beneficial owners of  
24 Fund Advisors, correct?

25 A That is my understanding, yes.

1 Q And your understanding is that Mr. Dondero controls Fund  
2 Advisors, correct?

3 A That's correct.

4 Q And the other advisory firm that brought the motion is  
5 NexPoint Advisors, LP; is that right?

6 A That is correct.

7 Q And Mr. Dondero is the beneficial owner of NexPoint; is  
8 that right?

9 A A family trust where Jim is the sole beneficiary, I  
10 believe, controls or owns NexPoint Advisors.

11 Q Okay. And Mr. Dondero --

12 A Or 99.9 percent of NexPoint Advisors.

13 Q Thank you for the clarification. Mr. Dondero controls  
14 NexPoint; is that right?

15 A Correct.

16 Q All right. And I'm going to refer to Fund Advisors and  
17 NexPoint as the Advisors going forward; is that fair?

18 A That's fair.

19 Q Each of the Advisors manages certain funds; is that right?

20 A That is correct.

21 Q And three of those funds that are managed by the Advisors  
22 are the Movants on this motion, correct?

23 A Correct.

24 Q All right. The Advisors caused these three Funds to  
25 invest in CLOs that are managed by the Debtor; is that right?



1 A The portfolio managers working for the Advisors did.

2 That's correct.

3 Q And Mr. Dondero is the portfolio manager of the Highland  
4 Income Fund; is that right?

5 A He is one of the portfolio managers for that Fund.

6 Q And he's also --

7 A I believe there are two.

8 Q And he's also a portfolio manager of NexPoint Capital,  
9 Inc., one of the Movants here, right?

10 A That is correct.

11 Q And he's also the portfolio manager of NexPoint Strategic  
12 Opportunities Fund, another Movant; is that right?

13 A Yes. That is correct.

14 Q Okay. And I think you testified earlier that each of  
15 these Funds has a board. Is that right?

16 A That is correct.

17 Q But the boards don't make investment decisions for the  
18 Funds, do they?

19 A They do not. They have delegated that authority.

20 Q And that authority to make investment decisions is  
21 delegated to the Advisors; is that right?

22 A Yes.

23 Q Okay. And none of the boards of the Funds who are Movants  
24 here adopted any resolution authorizing the Funds to file this  
25 motion; is that right?

1 A To my knowledge, that is correct.

2 Q And in fact, the boards were not required to approve the  
3 filing of this motion, correct?

4 A I'm not -- I believe that's a legal question, but to my  
5 knowledge, there was not a requirement of the board to -- or,  
6 to adopt a resolution for that.

7 Q Okay. Let's talk a little bit about your background. I  
8 think you testified that you're the executive vice president  
9 at NexPoint Advisors, one of the Movants. Is that right?

10 A That's right.

11 Q Who's the president of NexPoint Advisors, LP?

12 A Mr. Dondero.

13 Q And you report directly to him; is that right?

14 A I do.

15 Q You're also the executive vice president of Fund Advisors,  
16 another Movant; is that right?

17 A Correct.

18 Q And Mr. Dondero is the president of Fund Advisors; is that  
19 right?

20 A He is not. There is no president of Fund Advisors. But  
21 he -- yeah.

22 Q You're the president of another entity called NexPoint  
23 Securities; is that right?

24 A That's correct.

25 Q And you're also the executive vice president of the 11 or

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1 12 funds that are managed by the Advisors here, right?

2 A Yes. That is correct.

3 Q Okay. You've been working for Highland Capital Management  
4 or other Highland-related entities for a little more than a  
5 decade; is that right?

6 A That's correct. Since June 2010.

7 Q Okay. Now, you don't personally make any investment  
8 decisions for -- for the Funds. Is that right?

9 A That's correct.

10 Q And you don't hold yourself out as an investment manager,  
11 do you?

12 A I do not.

13 Q And you've never worked for a CLO, have you?

14 A Never worked for a -- for a C -- employed by a CLO.  
15 Worked on accounting, various other aspects, but never worked  
16 for a CLO.

17 Q Okay. You referred earlier to the declaration that you've  
18 submitted in support of the motion. Do you remember that?

19 A I do.

20 Q I've got an assistant on the line here.

21 MR. MORRIS: Ms. Cantey, can we put up onto the  
22 screen Debtor's Exhibit C, which I believe was Mr. Norris's  
23 declaration? And if we could go to Page 12 of 26. Oh, all  
24 right.

25 BY MR. MORRIS:

1 Q And, again, Mr. Norris, as we did in the deposition  
2 yesterday, I'll remind you of the difficulty of doing a  
3 virtual examination. And if at any time I ask you a question  
4 about your declaration that prompts you to think you need to  
5 see another portion of the declaration, will you let me know  
6 that?

7 A Yes, I will.

8 Q Okay. Because I'm not here to test your memory. I'm just  
9 here to ask you certain questions. So please let me know if  
10 you need to see something that's not on the screen itself.

11 You didn't write any portion of this declaration; is that  
12 right?

13 A I did not.

14 Q And you didn't provide any substantive comments to the  
15 declaration as drafted because you agreed with -- with the  
16 declaration as written by others; is that fair?

17 A Correct.

18 Q And all of the key information in your declaration was  
19 supplied by NexPoint's management; isn't that right?

20 A Correct.

21 Q The individuals who provided the information that's in  
22 your declaration include D.C. Sauter, Jason Post, Mr. Dondero,  
23 and outside counsel at K&L Gates; is that right?

24 A Correct.

25 Q And Mr. Sauter is in-house counsel at the Advisors; is

1 that right?

2 A That is right.

3 Q And Mr. Post is the chief compliance officer at NexPoint;  
4 is that right?

5 A That's correct.

6 Q The whole idea for this motion initiated with Mr. Dondero;  
7 isn't that right?

8 A The concern, yes, the concern originated, and his concern  
9 was voiced to our legal and compliance team.

10 Q Okay.

11 MR. MORRIS: Can we take the declaration down for --  
12 oh, actually, no, I'm sorry, leave it there, and let's talk  
13 about Exhibit B. Now we can all see it. If you can scroll  
14 down to Exhibit B, please. Okay.

15 BY MR. MORRIS:

16 Q This page is attached to your declaration, right?

17 A That's correct.

18 Q And this page is intended to show the percentage of  
19 preferred shares owned by each of the Movant Funds and the 15  
20 different CLOs, right?

21 A That's right.

22 Q And the Debtor is the portfolio manager for each of these  
23 CLOs; is that right?

24 A Yes.

25 Q And it's your understanding that the Debtor's management

1 of the CLOs on this page is governed by written agreements  
2 between the Debtor and each of the CLOs, right?

3 A Yes.

4 Q None of the Movants are parties to the agreements between  
5 the Debtor and each of the CLOs pursuant to which the Debtor  
6 serves as portfolio manager; is that correct?

7 A I believe that is correct. One, I think, important --  
8 even though they're not subject to the agreement, they are the  
9 -- they have the economic ownership of each of these CLOs.

10 Q But they're not party to the agreement; is that right?

11 A Not that I'm aware of.

12 Q Okay. And in preparing for this motion and preparing for  
13 your testimony, you didn't personally review any of the  
14 agreements between the Debtor and any of the CLOs listed on  
15 this page, right?

16 A No. I relied on legal counsel for that review.

17 Q Okay. And, but even though you didn't review the  
18 agreements, it's your understanding that among the  
19 responsibilities that the Debtor has as the portfolio manager  
20 is buying and selling assets on behalf of the CLOs; is that  
21 right?

22 A Yes. And I believe I specifically stated in my statement,  
23 if you want to turn to it, what I (audio gap) to regarding the  
24 CLOs' duties under the agreements.

25 Q Okay. It's your understanding, in fact, that nobody other

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1 than the Debtor has the right or the authority to buy and sell  
2 assets on behalf of the CLOs listed on Exhibit B, correct?

3 A That's my understanding.

4 Q Okay. And it's also your understanding, your specific  
5 understanding, that holders of preferred shares do not make  
6 investment decisions on behalf of the CLO; is that right?

7 A Correct.

8 Q And that's something that the Advisors knew when they  
9 decided to invest in the CLOs on behalf of the Movant Funds;  
10 is that fair?

11 A That's right. And at that time, the knowledge in the  
12 purchase was with Highland Capital Management, LP and the  
13 portfolio management team at that time.

14 Q And it's still with Highland Capital Management, LP; isn't  
15 that right?

16 A That's correct. I'm not sure that the portfolio  
17 management team looks the same, but it was HCMLP.

18 Q Okay. Let's just look at this document for a second. The  
19 first column has the list of the CLOs in which the Movant  
20 Funds have invested; is that right?

21 A Correct.

22 Q And the second column, HIF, that stands for Highland  
23 Income Fund; is that right?

24 A Yes, sir.

25 Q And Highland Income Fund is one of the Funds who are the

1 Movants here, right?

2 A That is correct.

3 Q And the percentages below that show the percentage of the  
4 preference shares of each of the CLOs that that particular  
5 fund holds; is that right?

6 A That's right.

7 Q And then the third column relates to NexPoint Strategic  
8 Opportunities Fund, one of the Movants here; is that right?

9 A That's correct.

10 Q And the next column, the fourth column, relates to  
11 NexPoint Capital, Inc.'s holding of preference shares in the  
12 15 CLOs, right?

13 A That's right.

14 Q So, NexPoint Capital doesn't hold any preference shares in  
15 any of the CLOs except for a less-than-one-percent interest in  
16 Grayson; am I reading that correctly?

17 A Yes, that's correct.

18 Q Okay. And then the last column is intended to show the  
19 aggregate portion or percentage of preference shares that the  
20 three moving Funds have in each of the 15 CLOs; is that right?

21 A Yes, that's right.

22 Q Okay. Am I reading this correctly that, for 12 of the 15  
23 Funds, the moving Funds own less than a majority of the  
24 outstanding preferred shares?

25 A Yes, that's correct.



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1 Q And is it also -- am I also reading this correctly to  
2 conclude that the moving Funds owned less than 70 percent of  
3 every one of these CLOs; is that right?

4 A That's correct.

5 Q You don't know who owns the preferred shares in the CLOs  
6 that are not owned by the Movant Funds, do you?

7 A I don't know any -- any specific owners.

8 Q And some of these CLOs still have notes that are  
9 outstanding; is that right?

10 A Yes. Very small amounts as a percentage of the overall  
11 CLO original capital structure, but yes, some still have small  
12 --

13 Q So, --

14 A -- notes. Small amounts of notes.

15 Q Okay. I'm sorry to interrupt. If we looked at Exhibit A,  
16 if we took the time to look at Exhibit A, Exhibit A would  
17 show, for each of the 15 CLOs, which of those CLOs still had  
18 notes outstanding and the amount of out -- the dollar value of  
19 those notes. Is that right?

20 A That's correct.

21 Q Okay. And your understanding is that -- your  
22 understanding -- withdrawn. The payment -- the distributions  
23 from the CLOs are made pursuant to a waterfall; is that right?

24 A Yes, that's correct.

25 Q And your understanding of the waterfall process is that

1 the notes that are still outstanding at any CLO must be paid  
2 -- must be paid in full before the preferred shares receive  
3 any recovery; is that right?

4 A So, I would say that my understanding is slightly  
5 different. It's going to be dependent on each indenture.  
6 But, in general, interest payments are made to the debt  
7 holders, and anything extra is then allocated to the equity.  
8 But ultimate recovery, to your point, would be once those --  
9 once the debt is paid off. And that's the critical thing  
10 here, where the preference shares here now with most of these  
11 CLOs almost all the way wound down, with the exception of a  
12 small piece of debt. The equity owns the lion's share of the  
13 economic interest of every one of these CLOs. And I think  
14 that's important.

15 Q Okay. Some of the CLOs still have outstanding notes. Is  
16 that right?

17 A Yes. As we discussed on -- Exhibit A will have the notes  
18 that are -- that are remaining on those.

19 Q And you don't know who holds the notes in the other CLOs,  
20 right?

21 A I don't.

22 Q The only holders of preferred shares that are pursuing  
23 this motion are the three Funds managed by the Advisors,  
24 right?

25 A In this motion, yes.

1 Q You're not aware of any holder of preferred shares  
2 pursuing this motion other than the three Funds managed by the  
3 Advisors, correct?

4 A No, I'm not aware of any others.

5 Q You didn't personally inform any holder of preferred  
6 shares, other than the Funds that are the Movants, that this  
7 motion would be filed, did you?

8 A No, I did not.

9 Q You're not aware of any steps taken by either of the  
10 Advisors to provide notice to holders of preferred shares that  
11 this motion was going to be filed, are you?

12 A I'm not, no.

13 Q And you're not aware of any attempt that was made to  
14 obtain the consent of all of the holders of the preferred  
15 shares to seek the relief sought in this motion, correct?

16 A That's correct.

17 Q You don't have any personal knowledge, personal knowledge,  
18 as to whether any holder of preferred shares other than the  
19 Funds managed by the Advisors wants the relief sought in the  
20 motion, correct?

21 A Correct.

22 Q You don't have any personal knowledge as to whether any of  
23 the CLOs that are subject to the contracts that you described  
24 want the relief that's being requested in this motion, right?

25 A That's correct. I have not spoken or been involved at all

1 directly with the CLOs. I'm representing the Funds.

2 Q Okay. Now, two of the Funds, two of the three Movant  
3 Funds, I believe you testified are publicly traded; is that  
4 right?

5 A That's correct.

6 Q And that's the Highland Income Fund and the NexPoint  
7 Strategic Opportunities Fund; is that right?

8 A That's right. That's right.

9 Q And because they are publicly-traded, the shareholders in  
10 those two funds can sell their shares any time the market is  
11 open; is that right?

12 A If they're willing to take the price that the market is  
13 willing to give, yes.

14 Q Yes.

15 A Between market hours.

16 Q And if they -- if they don't like the way the assets that  
17 are -- that the Funds have been invested, one of the things  
18 they could do is simply sell their shares, right?

19 A Yes.

20 Q And the third fund, the shareholders in the third fund  
21 have the right to sell out not on a public market but on a  
22 quarterly basis; is that right?

23 A Correct.

24 Q That third Movant Fund is NexPoint Capital; do I have that  
25 right?

1 A Correct.

2 Q So they also have the ability to exit if they don't like  
3 management on a quarterly basis; is that right?

4 A Correct.

5 Q All right. Can we turn to Paragraph -- Paragraphs 8 and 9  
6 of your declaration? Okay. Paragraph 8 describes a  
7 transaction that's been referred to as OmniMax; is that right?

8 A Yes.

9 Q And Paragraph 9 refers to a transaction involving SSP  
10 Holdings, LLC; do I have that right?

11 A That's correct.

12 Q Do you know what SSP stands for?

13 A See if we say it in there. SSP Holdings, LLC.

14 Q Right. Do you know what SSP stands for?

15 A I don't. Something Steel Products. I --

16 Q Okay. You don't need to guess. These are the only two  
17 transactions that the Movants question; is that right?

18 A These transactions, as well as certain transactions around  
19 Thanksgiving time.

20 Q Okay. We'll talk about those. But those transactions  
21 about -- around Thanksgiving time aren't in your declaration,  
22 are they?

23 A Not specifically mentioned by name.

24 Q Okay. Let's talk about the two that are mentioned by  
25 name, Trussway and SSP. The Movants do not contend that

1 either transaction was the product of fraudulent conduct, do  
2 they?

3 A No.

4 Q The Movants do not contend that the Debtor breached any  
5 agreement by effectuating these transactions, do they?

6 A I don't believe so.

7 Q In fact, the Movants do not contend that the Debtor  
8 violated any agreement at any time in the management of the  
9 CLOs listed on Exhibit B; is that right?

10 A That's right.

11 Q The Movants don't even question the Debtor's business  
12 judgment, only the results of the trans -- of these two  
13 transactions. Is that right?

14 A That's right. And results is the key here and the  
15 approach.

16 Q I see. And the reason the Movants do not question the  
17 Debtor's business judgment is because you don't know what  
18 factor or factors the Debtor considered in executing these  
19 transactions, right?

20 A That's right. I can't look into the mind or know the  
21 business judgment and the inputs that went into this. We do  
22 know the outcomes. And to us, that's troubling, right, as the  
23 owners of the lion's share or the majority or even significant  
24 amounts of the economic ownership of the CLOs. And having  
25 insight into those transactions, as mentioned in my statement,

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1 really just trying to maximize recoveries for our Funds.

2 MR. MORRIS: Your Honor, I move to strike the portion  
3 of his answer following that which was responsive to the  
4 question.

5 THE COURT: All right. I grant that motion.

6 MR. MORRIS: Okay.

7 BY MR. MORRIS:

8 Q Sir, you never asked the Debtor what factors it considered  
9 in making these trades, right?

10 A I did not.

11 Q And you have no reason to believe that anyone on behalf of  
12 the Movants ever asked the Debtor why it executed these  
13 trades, right?

14 A I don't have any knowledge. There could have been  
15 somebody from -- from the Movants. But I did not.

16 Q Okay. On OmniMax, the Movants disagree with the price at  
17 which the Debtor effectuated the trade, right?

18 A Correct.

19 Q And I believe there was a meeting of the boards of the  
20 Funds back in August at which Mr. Seery appeared. Do I have  
21 that right?

22 A I believe it was August, but he did appear.

23 Q And the purpose of the appearance was so that Mr. Seery  
24 could give an update on the bankruptcy; is that right?

25 A That's correct, and on the services provided by Highland

1 Capital Management, LP to our Advisor. Advisors. They  
2 provide various shared services.

3 Q And it was during that meeting that Mr. Seery forthrightly  
4 told the boards the price at which he was planning to execute  
5 the OmniMax transaction, correct?

6 A Correct.

7 Q The transaction hadn't yet occurred, right?

8 A I'm not sure if it had been finalized. He had a price,  
9 and these -- these things are negotiated. This was, I  
10 believe, a company in restructuring. So I don't know whether  
11 it had been transacted or not.

12 Q Okay. The board didn't ask Mr. Seery not to execute the  
13 transaction, did it?

14 A Not to my knowledge. The board wouldn't -- I don't think  
15 the board would have that authority, either.

16 Q Okay. But it's here asking the Court to cause the Debtor  
17 to pause in the execution of any trades in the CLOs; is that  
18 right?

19 A I think the order speaks in that regard.

20 Q Yeah. Okay. Let's talk about the SSP transaction for a  
21 moment. It's your understanding that Trussway Holdings, LLC  
22 owned a majority interest in SSP Holdings, LLC, right? That's  
23 in Paragraph 9.

24 A Yes. The statement in Paragraph 9 is what I believe is  
25 correct.



1 Q Okay. And it's also your understanding that Trussway is a  
2 wholly-owned subsi... I'm sorry, that SSP Holdings is a  
3 wholly-owned subsidiary -- withdrawn. It's also your  
4 understanding that Trussway is a wholly-owned subsidiary of  
5 the Debtor, right?

6 A Yes.

7 Q But Trussway is not a debtor in bankruptcy, right?

8 A I'm not sure.

9 Q Okay. You have no reason to believe that; is that fair?

10 A That it's not a debtor in bankruptcy? That Trussway is  
11 not in bankruptcy itself?

12 Q Correct.

13 A Yeah. I have no knowledge of Trussway's situation.

14 Q Okay. But you -- but according to your declaration that  
15 was prepared by the Advisors' management team, Trussway and  
16 not the Debtor owned SSP Holdings, LLC. Is that right?

17 A I'm looking here at the statement just to make sure.

18 Q Sure.

19 (Pause.)

20 A I -- again, I -- the statement is correct, and I believe  
21 speaks for itself regarding entity ownership.

22 Q The only things you know about the SSP transaction are,  
23 one, that you believe it was made without a formal bidding  
24 process; and two, that it resulted in a \$10 million loss. Is  
25 that right?

1 A Correct.

2 Q Okay. But, again, neither you, or to the best of your  
3 knowledge, anybody at Advisors, ever spoke with anybody at the  
4 Debtor about the circumstances concerning either of the  
5 transactions, right?

6 A I don't know the conversations that were had at anyone  
7 else from our Advisors, but this is the knowledge that -- that  
8 I have.

9 Q Okay. And it's the only knowledge you have, right? You  
10 don't know anything about the SSP transaction other than those  
11 two facts, right?

12 A Correct.

13 Q In fact, I think you testified yesterday that you've been  
14 very remote from the SSP transaction, right?

15 A That's correct.

16 Q And that it's not a transaction that you have much  
17 knowledge on. Fair?

18 A Fair.

19 Q Let's just talk briefly about the transactions that  
20 occurred (garbled) Thanksgiving. They're not specifically  
21 referred to in your declaration; is that right?

22 A That's correct.

23 Q And you have no knowledge about any transaction that Mr.  
24 Seery wanted to execute around Thanksgiving; is that right?

25 A I know there were transactions and there were concerns

1 from our management team, but I'm not aware of what the  
2 transactions were.

3 Q In fact, you can't even identify the assets that Mr. Seery  
4 wanted to sell around Thanksgiving, or at least you couldn't  
5 at the time of your deposition yesterday. Is that right?

6 A That's correct.

7 Q And you have no knowledge as to why Mr. Seery wanted to  
8 make those particular trades at around Thanksgiving?

9 A No, I don't.

10 Q And in fact, you don't even know if the transactions that  
11 Mr. Seery wanted to close around Thanksgiving ever in fact  
12 closed. Is that fair?

13 A Correct.

14 Q Okay. Let's just -- let's just finish up with a few  
15 questions about the boards.

16 MR. MORRIS: Ms. Cantey, can we put up Debtor's  
17 Exhibit EEEE? Four E's, Your Honor. Thank you.

18 BY MR. MORRIS:

19 Q This particular page identifies the directors for each of  
20 the three Movant Funds; is that right?

21 A Let me take a look and confirm. (Pause.) Yes. That  
22 looks correct.

23 Q Okay. And this was prepared by the Movants; is that  
24 right?

25 A I'm not sure who prepared it.

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1 Q Okay. To the best of your knowledge, does this document  
2 accurately reflect the composition of the boards of each of  
3 the three Movant Funds?

4 A Yes, it does.

5 Q Okay. John Honis, I think you mentioned him earlier.  
6 He's on all three boards. Is that right?

7 A That's correct. And the reason being we have a unitary  
8 board structure, so -- which is very common in '40 Act Fund  
9 land, where the board sits, for efficiency purposes, on  
10 multiple fund boards, and there's a lot of economies of scale  
11 from an operating standpoint. So, yes, they sit on multiple  
12 boards.

13 Q Okay. And for purposes of the '40 Act, Mr. Honis has been  
14 deemed to be an interested trustee. Is that right?

15 A That's correct.

16 Q Okay. But you don't specifically know what facts caused  
17 that designation; you only know that the designation exists.  
18 Right?

19 A That's right. And I know they are disclosed in the proxy  
20 -- or, in the -- the relative filings related to those Funds.

21 Q Okay. Three other people are common to all three of the  
22 Movant Funds. I think you've got Dr. Froehlich, Ethan Powell,  
23 --

24 A Froehlich.

25 Q Froehlich. Ethan Powell and Bryan Ward. Right?

1 A That is correct.

2 Q Okay. All three of those individuals actually serve on  
3 the 11 or 12 boards that you mentioned earlier that are  
4 managed by the Advisors, right?

5 A Yes, that is correct.

6 Q And they're the same Funds for which you serve as an  
7 executive vice president, right?

8 A Yes. That's correct.

9 Q So, for all of the Funds that are managed by the Advisors,  
10 you serve as executive vice president and all four of these  
11 directors -- trustees serve as trustees on the boards, right?

12 A Yes, that's correct.

13 Q Okay. In exchange for serving on all of these boards, the  
14 three individuals -- Dr. Froehlich, Mr. Ward, and Mr. Powell  
15 -- each receive \$150,000 a year for services across the  
16 Highland complex; is that right?

17 A That's correct.

18 Q Dr. Froehlich has been serving as a board member across  
19 the Highland complex for seven or eight years now; is that  
20 right?

21 A That's correct.

22 Q Mr. --

23 A I believe it's about seven or eight years.

24 Q And Mr. Powell, he actually was employed by Highland or  
25 related entities from about 2007 or 2008 until 2015, right?

1 A That's correct.

2 Q And Mr. Ward, the third of the independent trustees, he's  
3 been serving as a board member on various Highland-related  
4 funds on a continuous basis since about 2004. Do I have that  
5 right?

6 A Yeah, I believe that's correct.

7 Q Okay. Just a couple of final questions. You would agree,  
8 would you not, sir, that portfolio managers have an obligation  
9 to effectuate transactions concerning the assets that they  
10 manage based on their business judgment?

11 A Yes. And in accordance with whatever governing documents  
12 govern the fund structure.

13 Q And you would personally expect a portfolio manager to  
14 execute a transaction that he or she reasonably believes in  
15 good faith and in their business judgment would maximize value  
16 for the CLO, even if the CLO did not need cash at that  
17 particular time. Is that right?

18 A I think it would come down to the governing documents.  
19 And I think what you're getting at here is, in this instance,  
20 these sales and the intent of the portfolio manager. And our  
21 view, again, is -- and the request for the motion is simply  
22 there is a lot at play here. Several negotiations. And in  
23 order to maximize returns, simply asking for a pause on  
24 transactions.

25 Q All right. Let me -- let me ask the question again, and I

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1 would ask that you please listen carefully to the question.  
2 You would expect a portfolio manager would execute a  
3 transaction that he or she believes maximizes value, even if  
4 the CLO didn't need cash at that particular moment in time.  
5 Correct?

6 A Yeah. As long as that is maximizing value for the  
7 stakeholders, and in the instance of a CLO, the economic  
8 interest is owned by the equity holders. So, to their  
9 benefit, yes, that -- that would be the idea.

10 MR. MORRIS: Your Honor, I have no further questions.

11 THE COURT: Any redirect, Mr. Wright?

12 MR. WRIGHT: Only briefly, Your Honor.

13 REDIRECT EXAMINATION

14 BY MR. WRIGHT:

15 Q Mr. Norris, I think you were asked at one point about how  
16 long you'd been working for Highland Capital Management, which  
17 there's -- there's Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors  
18 and then there's Highland Capital Management, LP, Debtor. And  
19 I wanted to give you an opportunity to just explain when and  
20 what years you worked for HCMLP and then when and what years  
21 you worked for NexPoint Advisors or Highland Capital  
22 Management Fund Advisors.

23 A Yes. From June 2010, I was employed by Highland Capital  
24 Management, LP, until July or August of 2012, at which time I  
25 was then hired by Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors,

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1 not HCML -- no longer employed by HCMLP, and have worked since  
2 that time for HCMFA and NexPoint Advisors and not for the  
3 Debtor, HCMLP.

4 Q Okay. So -- and I'm sorry if I missed a year, but it's  
5 been about ten years since you had worked for HCMLP or been an  
6 employee of HCMLP, correct?

7 A Yeah. It's been over eight years since I have left  
8 employment by HCMLP. Ten and a half years ago, I started  
9 working for HCMLP, and then two years after that transitioned  
10 away and started working for the Advisors that are part of  
11 this motion.

12 Q Thank you for clarifying.

13 MR. WRIGHT: Your Honor, I hope -- you directed us to  
14 have a witness here today, and so we do. And I know that you  
15 had asked me at the last hearing some questions about the  
16 involvement of people at HCMLP, which I tried to address with  
17 Mr. Norris in my direct. But I, you know, I do want to make  
18 sure that we've answered any questions that you have.

19 THE COURT: All right. Yes, that's fine. Are you  
20 -- does that conclude your redirect?

21 MR. WRIGHT: It does, Your Honor.

22 THE COURT: Any recross, Mr. Morris, on that  
23 redirect?

24 MR. MORRIS: No, thank you, Your Honor.

25 THE COURT: All right, then. That concludes the



1 testimony of Mr. Norris.

2 Any other evidence, Mr. Wright?

3 MR. WRIGHT: I do not, Your Honor, although I guess I  
4 would offer the Exhibit A and Exhibit B to Mr. Norris's  
5 declaration --

6 THE COURT: Any objection to that?

7 MR. WRIGHT: -- into evidence.

8 MR. MORRIS: No, Your Honor.

9 THE COURT: All right. Those are admitted.

10 (Movants' Exhibits A and B are received into evidence.)

11 THE COURT: All right. Well, Mr. Morris, did you  
12 want to put on any evidence?

13 MR. MORRIS: Does the -- do the Movants rest, Your  
14 Honor?

15 THE COURT: I understood that they rest. Correct,  
16 Mr. Wright?

17 MR. WRIGHT: That's correct, Your Honor.

18 MR. MORRIS: Your Honor, I would move, effectively,  
19 for a directed verdict here. The Movants have the burden of  
20 establishing a *prima facie* case to entitlement to the relief  
21 that's been requested, and they have failed to meet that  
22 burden. The Debtor has -- we -- the undisputed facts are the  
23 Debtor has the contractual right, and indeed, the obligation,  
24 to serve as the portfolio manager of the CLOs pursuant to  
25 written agreements.

1       The Movants are not parties to those agreements. The  
2 testimony is undisputed that there are many holders of  
3 preferred shares and notes that have had no notice of this  
4 proceeding that will undoubtedly be impacted by the tying of  
5 the hands of the portfolio manager. The chart that was  
6 attached as Exhibit B expressly shows just what a large  
7 portion of interested parties and people who would be affected  
8 by this motion are not -- they didn't get notice. There was  
9 no attempt to get notice. There was no attempt to get their  
10 consent. All of that testimony is now in the record, and I  
11 think due process alone would prevent the entry or even the  
12 consideration of an order of this type.

13       There is nothing improper that's been alleged. There is  
14 no -- there is no allegation of fraud. There is no allegation  
15 of breach of contract of any kind. There's not even a  
16 question of business judgment. The Movants didn't even do  
17 their diligence to ask the Debtor why they made these  
18 transactions. There is nothing in the record that shows that  
19 the Debtor, as the portfolio manager of the CLOs, did anything  
20 improper.

21       The only thing that the Movants care about is that they  
22 don't like the results in two particular trades. I don't  
23 think that that meets their burden of persuasion that the  
24 Court should enter an order of this type, and I would like to  
25 relieve Mr. Seery of the burden, frankly, and the Court, of

1 having to put on testimony to justify transactions that really  
2 aren't even being questioned, Your Honor.

3 So the Debtor would respectfully move for the denial of  
4 the motion and the relief sought therein.

5 THE COURT: All right. Your request for a directed  
6 verdict, something equivalent to a directed verdict here, is  
7 granted. I agree that the Movant has wholly failed to meet  
8 its burden of proof here today to show the Court, persuade the  
9 Court that, as Mr. Morris said, I should essentially tie the  
10 hands of the Debtor as a portfolio manager here, as stated.  
11 Nothing improper has been alleged. There has been no showing  
12 of a statutory right here, or a contractual right here, on the  
13 part of the Movants.

14 I am -- I'm utterly dumbfounded, really. I agree with the  
15 -- I was going to say innuendo; not really innuendo -- I agree  
16 with part of the theme, I think, asserted by the Debtor here  
17 today that this is Mr. Dondero, through different entities,  
18 through a different motion. I feel like he sidestepped the  
19 requirement that I stated last week that if we had a contested  
20 hearing on his motion, Dondero's motion, that I was going to  
21 require Mr. Dondero to testify. He apparently worked out an  
22 eleventh hour agreement with the Debtor on his motion to avoid  
23 that. But, again, these so-called CLO Motions very clearly,  
24 very clearly, in this Court's view, were pursued at his sole  
25 direction here.

1           This is almost Rule 11 frivolous to me. You know, we're  
2   -- we didn't have a Rule 11 motion filed, and, you know, I  
3   guess, frankly, I'm glad that a week before the holidays begin  
4   we don't have that, but that's how bad I think it was, Mr.  
5   Wright and Mr. Norris. This is a very, very frivolous motion.  
6   Again, no statutory basis for it. No contractual basis. You  
7   know, you didn't even walk me through the provisions of the  
8   contracts. I guess that would have been fruitless. But you  
9   haven't even shown something equitable, some lack of  
10   reasonable business judgment.

11           Bluntly, don't waste my time with this kind of thing  
12   again. You wasted my time. We have 70 people on the video.  
13   Utter waste of time.

14           All right. So, motion is denied. Mr. Morris, please  
15   upload an order.

16           MR. MORRIS: Thank you, Your Honor.

17           THE COURT: All right. Do we have any other business  
18   to accomplish today?

19           MR. POMERANTZ: I don't think so, Your Honor. I know  
20   we will see you tomorrow in connection with Mr. Daugherty's  
21   relief from stay motion.

22           THE COURT: Well, yeah, we do have that. Okay. We  
23   will see you tomorrow. We stand adjourned.

24           MR. CLEMENTE: Thank you, Your Honor.

25           MR. MORRIS: Thank you, Your Honor.

1 THE CLERK: All rise.

2 (Proceedings concluded at 3:05 p.m.)

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19 CERTIFICATE

20 I certify that the foregoing is a correct transcript from  
21 the electronic sound recording of the proceedings in the  
above-entitled matter.

22 **/s/ Kathy Rehling**

**12/17/2020**

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24 Kathy Rehling, CETD-444  
Certified Electronic Court Transcriber

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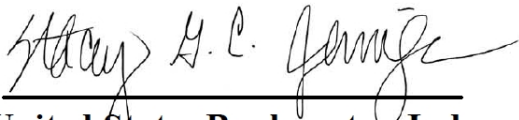
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The following constitutes the ruling of the court and has the force and effect therein described.

Signed December 18, 2020

  
United States Bankruptcy Judge

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
DALLAS DIVISION**

In re:

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,<sup>1</sup>

Debtor.

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) Chapter 11  
)  
) Case No. 19-34054-sgj11  
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**ORDER DENYING MOTION  
FOR ORDER IMPOSING TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS ON DEBTOR'S ABILITY,  
AS PORTFOLIO MANAGER, TO INITIATE SALES BY NON-DEBTOR CLO VEHICLES**

This matter having come before the Court on the *Motion for Order Imposing Temporary Restrictions on Debtor's Ability, as Portfolio Manager, to Initiate Sales by Non-Debtor CLO Vehicles* [Dkt. No. 1528] (the "CLO Motion"),<sup>2</sup> filed by Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P. ("HCMFA"), and NexPoint Advisors, L.P. ("NexPoint"), and together with

<sup>1</sup> The Debtor's last four digits of its taxpayer identification number are (6725). The headquarters and service address for the above-captioned Debtor is 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, TX 75201.

<sup>2</sup> Capitalized terms not otherwise defined in this Order shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the CLO Motion.





HCMFA, the “Advisors”), Highland Income Fund, NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund, and NexPoint Capital, Inc. (together, the “Funds,” and collectively, with the Advisors, the “Movants”); and this Court having considered (a) the CLO Motion and evidence submitted in support thereof, (b) the *Debtor’s Response to Motion for Order Imposing Temporary Restrictions on Debtor’s Ability, as Portfolio Manager, to Initiate Sales by Non-Debtor CLO Vehicles* [Dkt. No. 1578] (the “Opposition”), filed by Highland Capital Management, L.P. (the “Debtor”), and the evidence submitted in support thereof, (c) the oral and documentary evidence admitted into evidence during the hearing held on December 16, 2020 (the “Hearing”), and (d) the arguments made during the Hearing,

It is hereby **ORDERED** that:

1. The CLO Motion is **DENIED** in its entirety.
2. The Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters arising from the implementation of this Order.

###End of Order###

## **EXHIBIT D**

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**Subject:** RE: Notice to the Committee: Pending Asset Sale, Pre-Authorization Requested

Matt, Sam, and Sidley/FTI,

The HCM team continues to work through the SSP transaction and issues related to the flow of funds. Accordingly, a revised deck for the UCC is attached which includes an updated waterfall analysis.

At issue, as noted on the updated waterfall (and detailed on page 8 of the PDF), is a Restricted Distribution provision related to section 5.3 of the 4<sup>th</sup> Amended and Restated Credit and Guarantee Agreement for loans at Trussway Industries, LLC where Trussway Holdings, LLC is the Guarantor and subject to the agreement. This restriction limits the amount of money Trussway Holdings can distribute to a bucket of \$5 million in the aggregate based on certain types of distributions. HCM believes that \$2.3 million of that bucket remains eligible for distribution as illustrated in the updated waterfall.

The SSP sale process and issues related to the flow of funds will be covered by Jim Seery on tomorrow's call with the UCC.

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**Subject:** Notice to the Committee: Pending Asset Sale, Pre-Authorization Requested

**CONFIDENTIAL - NOTICE OF PENDING ASSET SALE**

Matt, Sam, and Sidley/FTI,

We are providing you with Notice of a potential Transaction as required by the Protocols, Section (II)(B)(3)(a). The Transaction will be with an independent third-party, but we anticipate that it will be in excess of \$2,000,000. The Independent Board of HCMLP is requesting immediate pre-authorization from the UCC to complete the transaction at a final negotiated price that will be approved of by the Independent Board in the interest of all stakeholders. We believe any delay in the sale process could impact value. As such, this emails serves as the required **three business day advance notice of the potential Transaction**. Jim Seery and the HCM team can make themselves available for a call to discuss the transaction if requested.

1. Assets: All debt, equity and other interest in SSPI Holdings, Inc. (DE)
2. Seller: Trussway Holdings, LLC
3. Price: Final price is TBD, and requires Independent Board approval. Terms are currently being negotiated. The company received a Letter of Intent indicating a transaction for \$50MM. **To the extent agreed, the negotiations require immediate agreement by HCMLP.**
4. Structure: Stock sale
5. Purchaser: Race Rock Group (or an Affiliate)
6. Timing: Immediate. However, closing of the sale and receipt of proceeds not expected until late October or early November.

The sale of this asset is a critical component for the execution of any confirmed plan. We ask that you review the attached deck that includes a brief background information on the company, a summary of the extensive sale process, and a potential waterfall of proceeds. Also included are copies of the Dugaboy note at Trussway Holdings, LLC (and its amended and restated note) that are under review.

The attached deck is shared on a Confidential basis. Please let us know at your earliest convenience.

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## **EXHIBIT E**



# **HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL STRUCTURAL AND STEEL PRODUCTS SITUATION OVERVIEW IMMEDIATE ATTENTION**

**SEPTEMBER 29, 2020**

EXPERIENCED. DISCIPLINED. BOLD.

**HIGHLAND CAPITAL  
MANAGEMENT**

**DRAFT – HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL**



- Structural and Steel Products (“SSP”) is a manufacturer/distributor of highway products based in Texas
- Product offerings include distributed products (guardrails, crash cushions) and manufactured product (overhead sign structures, lighting/cell/utility poles, rail)
- Principal equity holders:
  - Highland Select Equity Fund, L.P. (via Trussway Holdings, LLC [1]): 76.6%
  - Patriot Capital: 12.1%
  - SSP Management Members: 6.6%
  - Non-Management Members: 4.7%

Note: [1] Trussway Holdings, LLC equity is 90% owned by Highland Select Equity Fund, L.P.

- See **Exhibit A** for organizational chart
- See **Exhibit B** for capital structure



## SSP SALE PROCESS OVERVIEW

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- In the last ~12 months, SSP received indications of interest ranging from \$45-\$50MM from several different interested parties:
  - September 2019 – Arcosa: \$45.0 - \$50.0MM (for manufacturing business only)
  - November 2019 & January 2020 – VP of Guardrail: \$7.5 - \$10.0MM (for guardrail business only)
  - January 2020 – Merit Capital Partners (former Sponsor): \$38.5MM (for entire business)
  - February 2020 – Millerbernd provided a verbal indication of \$30.0 - \$32.0 (for the manufacturing business only)
  - May 2020 – Race Rock Group (“RRG”): \$45.0 - \$50.0MM (for entire business)
  - July 2020 – DWM Holdings: \$50MM (for entire business)
- In addition to the IOIs received from the parties above, NDAs were executed, and confidential information shared with Sabre and Valmont. Both parties passed on the potential transaction with SSP, and, ultimately, they determined it was cheaper to build capacity than to buy SSP.
- In August of 2020, SSP went exclusive with RRG and executed an LOI at \$50MM; due diligence is underway and on-going with most of the due diligence completed, environmental and ERISA reviews remain outstanding.

(\$MM)	EBITDA	\$50 LOI
LTM	\$ 9.0	5.6x
2020E	\$ 8.2	6.1x
3-Year Avg.	\$ 6.9	7.2x





## SSP SALE PROCESS OVERVIEW – RACE ROCK GROUP

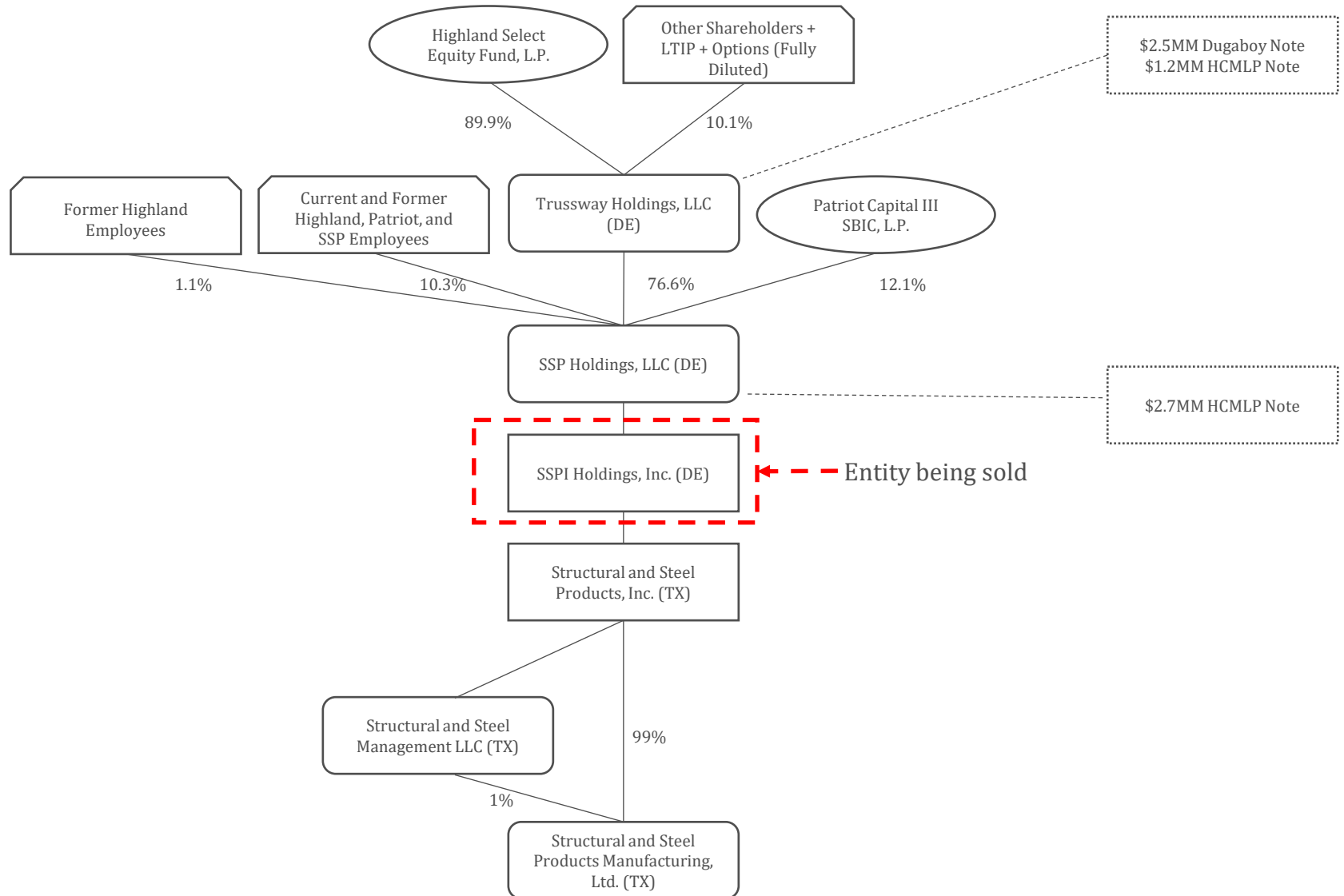
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- SSP is in the process of negotiating a definitive agreement with Race Rock Group (“RRG”) to sell the business for \$50MM
  - RRG is a Houston-based private investment firm focused on making control, growth-oriented investments in lower middle-market businesses throughout the US Gulf Coast and Mid America regions
- It’s estimated that the transaction proceeds will generate approximately \$6.5MM for HCMLP
  - ~\$2.0MM for the Select Fund’s net interests
  - Trussway Holdings, LLC proceeds will repay the ~\$1.2MM HCMLP loans
  - SSP will payoff the ~\$2.7MM subordinated loan to HCMLP with the sales proceeds
  - HCMLP will receive ~\$0.5MM in management fees from SSP per the terms of a 2019 management services agreement
  - See **Exhibit C** for the complete waterfall of sale proceeds
- It’s estimated that the transaction proceeds will also generate ~\$8.4MM, net for Trussway Holdings, LLC
- Trussway Holdings, LLC appears to currently owe ~\$2.5MM to Dugaboy via a loan. This is under review, and the amount may be reserved for. The amended and restated note had a principal amount of \$2.09MM as of Feb. 2019 and matures on Nov. 1, 2021. ~\$370k of PIK interest has accrued since Feb 2019.
- A simultaneous signing and closing is anticipated to occur in late Oct. or early Nov. subject to completion of due diligence by RRG.
- **The Debtor believes a potential sale of SSP maximizes value for all stakeholders and any delay in the sale process could impact value. The Debtor is seeking immediate pre-approval from the UCC to proceed with a potential transaction.**



# EXHIBIT A - EXISTING ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

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**EXHIBIT B - SSP CAPITAL STRUCTURE****DRAFT - HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL**

- No current HCMLP employees have SSP Ownership
  - Note: Jason Jelen and John Walker are current NexBank Securities, Inc. employees

<b>Member</b>	<b>Capital Contribution</b>	<b>Class A Units</b>	<b>Class B Units</b>	<b>Class P Units</b>	<b>Sharing Ratio</b>
Trussway Holdings LLC	\$19,058,098.18	19,058,098.18	-	-	76.6%
Patriot Capital III SBIC, L.P.	\$3,000,000	-	3,000,000	-	12.1%
Matt Brace	\$0	-	0	1,015,050	4.1%
Christine Klote	\$375,000	-	375,000	-	1.5%
Joseph Troop	\$300,000	-	300,000	-	1.2%
Chuck Steier	\$0	-	0	253,763	1.0%
2911 Capital Fund LP	\$200,000	-	200,000	-	0.8%
118 Capital Fund Inc.	\$200,000	-	200,000	-	0.8%
Matthew Jameson*	\$100,000	-	100,000	-	0.4%
Lee Blackwell Parker III*	\$100,000	-	100,000	-	0.4%
1610 Foundation Inc.	\$100,000	-	100,000	-	0.4%
Teri Robertson	\$60,000	-	60,000	-	0.2%
William Carl Moore, Jr.*	\$40,000	-	40,000	-	0.2%
Jason Jelen	\$30,000	-	30,000	-	0.1%
Richard Thomas	\$25,000	-	25,000	-	0.1%
Scott Wilson*	\$25,000	-	25,000	-	0.1%
John Jeffrey Walker	\$10,000	-	10,000	-	0.0%
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>\$23,623,098.18</b>	<b>19,058,098.18</b>	<b>4,565,000.00</b>	<b>1,268,813.00</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Authorized Units</b>		<b>19,058,098.18</b>	<b>4,565,000.00</b>	<b>1,753,224.00</b>	
*Denotes former Highland Capital Management, LP employee					

**EXHIBIT C - WATERFALL****DRAFT - HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL**

SSP Sale Price	\$	50,000,000
Estimated closing adjustments		
Less: Principal & Interest		(34,689,920)
Less: Accrued Mgmt. Fees		(532,053)
Less: Closing Costs		(750,000)
Plus: Cash		4,755,502
Total estimated closing adjustments	\$	(31,216,471)
Net Proceeds	\$	18,783,529
Trussway Holdings, LLC		76.56%
Cash proceeds to Trussway Holdings, LLC [1]		14,381,312
Potential Reserve for Dugaboy Note		(2,455,668)
Repayment of HCMLP Note		(1,158,429)
Net cash at Trussway Holdings, LLC	\$	10,767,215
Maximum Restricted Distribution [2]	\$	2,337,093
Highland Select Equity Fund, L.P.		89.90%
Cash proceeds to Select Fund [3]	\$	2,101,046
Highland Capital Management, LP		99.95%
Cash proceeds to HCMLP		2,099,996
HCMLP Note + Interest from Trussway Holdings, LLC		1,158,429
HCMLP Subordinated Note + Interest		2,661,928
HCMLP Management Fees		532,053
Total estimated cash proceeds to HCMLP	\$	6,452,406
[1] \$2.8 million is held in escrow		
[2] Maximum allowable distribution per section 5.3 of 4th A&R Credit & Guaranty Agreement		
[3] Excludes paydown of any debt at Highland Select Equity Fund, L.P.		

Note 1: It's anticipated that \$3.2MM will be held in escrow until SSP's PPP loans are forgiven (SSP has applied for forgiveness and expects to receive forgiveness in 90-120 days). An additional \$500k is estimated to be held in escrow for the R&W policy.

Note 2: Per section 5.3 of the 4<sup>th</sup> A&R Credit & Guaranty Agreement, absent a waiver or amendment, a maximum of \$5 million in the aggregate is allowed to be distributed, however, \$2.7MM has already been paid out.

\$1.0MM: March '19

\$1.7MM: September '18

**4<sup>TH</sup> A&R CREDIT & GUARANTY AGREEMENT HIGHLIGHTS****DRAFT – HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL**

- Trussway Holdings, LLC is a Guarantor of the loan to Trussway Industries, LLC
  - THIS FOURTH AMENDED AND RESTATED CREDIT AND GUARANTY AGREEMENT dated as of May 15, 2017 among TRUSSWAY INDUSTRIES, LLC, as borrower (“Borrower”), the Guarantors party hereto (the Borrower and the Guarantors being collectively referred to herein as the “Credit Parties”, and each individually, a “Credit Party”), the financial institutions from time to time parties hereto, each as a Lender (collectively, the “Lenders”), and NEXBANK, SSB, as administrative agent for the Lenders (“Agent”).
- “Restricted Distribution” is defined as, with respect “to any Person (i) any dividend or other distribution on any equity interest in such Person or (ii) any payment on account of (a) the purchase, redemption, retirement, defeasance, surrender or acquisition of any equity interests in such Person or any claim respecting the purchase or sale of any equity interest in such Person or (b) any option, warrant or other right to acquire any equity interests in such Person; provided that, the term “Restricted Distribution” shall not include any dividend or distribution payable solely in equity interests of such Person or warrants, options or other rights to purchase such equity interests.”
- Section 5.3 – Restricted Distributions. Borrower will not, and will not permit any Guarantor to, directly or indirectly, declare, order, pay, make or set apart any sum for any Restricted Distribution; provided that the foregoing shall not restrict or prohibit any wholly-owned Guarantor from making dividends or distributions to Borrower or any other wholly-owned Guarantor and provided, further, that the foregoing shall not restrict or prohibit Borrower from making dividends or distributions to Holdings on the Closing Date in the amount of up to \$20,500,000.00, which amount represents funds received by Borrower from Trussway, LLC in connection with the Amegy Credit Facility. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Holdings may make Restricted Distributions in connection with the repurchase, redemption or retirement of its membership interests, or otherwise make payment in connection with appraisal rights related thereto, in each case, in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$5,000,000.00.

## **EXHIBIT F**

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

Attached please find an electronic copy of the offering memorandum (the “**Offering Memorandum**”), dated March 27, 2008, relating to the Class A Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2018, the Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2018, the Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due 2018, and the Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due 2018, offered by Aberdeen Loan Funding, Ltd. (the “**Issuer**”) and by Aberdeen Loan Funding Corp. (the “**Co-Issuer**”) and, together with the Issuer, the “**Co-Issuers**”) and the Class E Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due 2018, the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares, offered by the Issuer.

The Offering Memorandum is highly confidential and does not constitute an offer to any person (other than, subject to the provisions of this notice, the recipient) or to the public generally to subscribe for or otherwise acquire the Notes described therein.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE OFFERING MEMORANDUM TO ANY PERSON OTHER THAN THE PERSON RECEIVING THIS ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION FROM THE CO-ISSUERS OR THE INITIAL PURCHASER REFERRED TO THEREIN AND THEIR RESPECTIVE AGENTS, AND ANY PERSONS RETAINED TO ADVISE THE PERSON RECEIVING THIS ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION FROM THE CO-ISSUERS OR THE INITIAL PURCHASER WITH RESPECT THERETO, IS UNAUTHORIZED. ANY PHOTOCOPYING, DISCLOSURE OR ALTERATION OF THE CONTENTS OF THE OFFERING MEMORANDUM, AND ANY FORWARDING OF A COPY OF THE OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY PORTION THEREOF BY ELECTRONIC MAIL OR ANY OTHER MEANS TO ANY PERSON OTHER THAN THE PERSON RECEIVING THIS ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION FROM THE CO-ISSUERS OR THE INITIAL PURCHASER, IS PROHIBITED. BY ACCEPTING DELIVERY OF THE OFFERING MEMORANDUM, THE RECIPIENT AGREES TO THE FOREGOING. THE INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN SUPERSEDES ANY PREVIOUS SUCH INFORMATION DELIVERED TO ANY PROSPECTIVE INVESTOR.

THE ATTACHED OFFERING MEMORANDUM CONTAINS CHANGES TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES BEING ISSUED BY ABERDEEN LOAN FUNDING, LTD. AND ABERDEEN LOAN FUNDING CORP. AS COMPARED WITH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE OFFERING SET FORTH IN THE PRELIMINARY OFFERING MEMORANDUM DATED MARCH 18, 2008. THOSE DIFFERENCES ARE IDENTIFIED IN THE MARKED VERSION ALSO ATTACHED. PLEASE REVIEW THOSE CHANGES CAREFULLY AND DISCUSS THEM WITH YOUR ADVISORS. IF YOU DO NOT WISH TO PURCHASE THE SECURITIES BEING OFFERED ON THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS IN THE ATTACHED OFFERING MEMORANDUM, PLEASE NOTIFY US IN WRITING ON OR PRIOR TO THE CLOSING DATE (AS DEFINED IN THE OFFERING MEMORANDUM). BASED ON SUCH REVISIONS, YOU HAVE NO OBLIGATION TO PURCHASE ANY OF THE SECURITIES BEING OFFERED ON THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THE ATTACHED OFFERING MEMORANDUM, AND IF YOU ELECT NOT TO PURCHASE SUCH SECURITIES, YOU WILL NOT BE LIABLE FOR ANY DAMAGES (AND YOU WILL HAVE NO DAMAGES AGAINST ANY OTHER PARTY). YOUR FAILURE TO PROVIDE WRITTEN NOTICE TO US ON OR PRIOR TO THE CLOSING DATE OF YOUR DESIRE NOT TO PURCHASE THE SECURITIES BEING OFFERED BY THE ATTACHED OFFERING MEMORANDUM SHALL BE DEEMED TO BE YOUR AGREEMENT THAT YOU ARE PURCHASING YOUR SECURITIES ON THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THE ATTACHED OFFERING MEMORANDUM.

## Aberdeen Loan Funding, Ltd. Aberdeen Loan Funding Corp.

**U.S.\$376,000,000 Class A Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2018**  
**U.S.\$29,500,000 Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2018**  
**U.S.\$25,250,000 Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2018**  
**U.S.\$19,250,000 Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2018**  
**U.S.\$17,250,000 Class E Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2018**  
**12,000 Class I Preference Shares**  
**36,000 Class II Preference Shares**

The Securities will be issued on or about March 27, 2008 (the “**Closing Date**”). The Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares are subject to multiple extensions if the Issuer provides timely notice and the Extension Conditions are satisfied as described herein.

The net proceeds of the offering of the Securities will be applied by the Issuer to repay amounts used by the Issuer in connection with financing the purchase of certain Collateral Obligations prior to the Closing Date and to purchase additional Collateral Obligations on and after the Closing Date, all of which will be pledged under the Indenture by the Issuer to the Trustee for the benefit of the secured parties named therein. See “Use of Proceeds.” Highland Capital Management, L.P. (“**Highland Capital**” or, in such capacity, the “**Servicer**”) will service the Issuer’s portfolio.

The Senior Notes are being offered in negotiated transactions at varying prices determined at the time of each sale. The Class E Notes and the Preference Shares are being offered in negotiated transactions at varying prices determined at the time of each sale.

This Offering Memorandum constitutes a prospectus (the “**Prospectus**”) for the purposes of Directive 2003/71/EC (the “**Prospectus Directive**”). Application will be made to the Irish Financial Services Regulatory Authority, as competent authority under the Prospectus Directive for this Prospectus to be approved. Application will be made for the Senior Notes to be admitted to the *Official List* of the Irish Stock Exchange and trading on its regulated market.

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**Investing in the Securities involves risks. See “Risk Factors” beginning on Page 26.**

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Certain pledged assets of the issuer are the sole source of payments on the Securities. The Securities do not represent an interest in or obligations of, and are not insured or guaranteed by, the Holders of the Preference Shares, the Servicer, the Trustee, any paying agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty or any of their respective Affiliates.

The Securities have not been, and will not be, registered under the Securities Act and neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer will be registered under the Investment Company Act. The Senior Notes will be offered and sold to non-U.S. Persons outside of the United States in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act. The Senior Notes may not be offered or sold within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. Persons (“**U.S. Persons**”) as such term is defined in Regulation S except to persons that are (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers (as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act) (or, solely in the case of certain Holders purchasing Class C Notes and Class D Notes on the Closing Date, institutional Accredited Investors (as defined in clause (1), (2), (3) or (7) of Rule 501(a) under Regulation D under the Securities Act) (each, an “**Institutional Accredited Investor**”)) and (ii) Qualified Purchasers for purposes of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act. The Class E Notes and the Preference Shares will be offered and sold only to persons that are (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers (or, solely in the case of certain Holders purchasing Class E Notes on the Closing Date, Institutional Accredited Investors) and (ii) Qualified Purchasers. The Securities are not transferable except in accordance with the restrictions described under “Transfer Restrictions.”

The Senior Notes are being offered, subject to prior sale, when, as and if delivered to and accepted by Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated (the “**Initial Purchaser**”) and/or its agents and the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares are being offered and sold directly by the Issuer. It is expected that the Global Notes evidencing the Senior Notes will be ready for delivery in book-entry form only in New York, New York, on or about March 27, 2008, through the facilities of DTC, against payment therefor in immediately available funds. It is expected that delivery of the physical certificates representing the Certificated Class E Notes and the Certificated Preference Shares will be made in New York, New York on or about March 27, 2008 against payment therefor in immediately available funds.

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**Merrill Lynch & Co.**

Offering Memorandum dated March 27, 2008.





Payment of interest on, and principal of, the Notes will be made by the Issuer in U.S. Dollars on the first day of each February, May, August and November of each year (or if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day) (each such date a “**Payment Date**”), commencing on the Payment Date in November 2008, to the extent of available cash flow in respect of the Collateral in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Each Class of Notes will bear interest at the *per annum* rates set forth under “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.” The Preference Shares will receive as dividends certain amounts available for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments subject to any restrictions under Cayman Islands law. In addition, with respect to any Payment Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion (or all) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. See “Description of the Securities—Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Preference Shares from Interest Proceeds” and “—Priority of Payments.”

The Notes will be subject to Optional Redemption in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period, in each case at the direction of the applicable Required Redemption Percentage. The Notes will be subject to mandatory redemption on any Payment Date, to the extent that any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied, as described herein. The Notes will be subject to Special Redemption, at the discretion of the Servicer, to the extent that at any time during the Replacement Period, the Servicer cannot identify satisfactory additional or replacement Collateral Obligations. The Notes will be subject to Refinancing after the Non-Call Period on the terms and conditions described herein. After redemption in full of the Notes, the Preference Shares will be subject to Optional Redemption in whole or in part on any Payment Date by the Issuer at the request of the Holders of the requisite percentage of the Preference Shares at the applicable Redemption Price pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted; *provided, however*, that the Preference Shares will be redeemed on or prior to the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. See “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption,” “Optional Redemption—Redemption by Refinancing,” “—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes,” “—Special Redemption of Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture” and “—Priority of Payments.” The principal amount of the Notes will be payable at the Stated Maturity, unless redeemed or paid in full prior thereto. The Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed at their Redemption Price on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, unless redeemed prior thereto.

**Application will be made for the Senior Notes to be admitted to the Official List of the Irish Stock Exchange (the “ISE”) and trading on its regulated market. However, there can be no assurance that the ISE will in fact accept the listing of the Senior Notes or, if accepted, that such listing will be maintained. Furthermore, the Co-Issuers will not be required to maintain a listing on a stock exchange in the European Union if compliance with requirements of the European Commission on a member state becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer.**

It is a condition of the issuance of the Securities that (i) the Class A Notes be rated “Aaa” by Moody’s Investors Service, Inc. (“**Moody’s**”) and “AAA” by Standard & Poor’s Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. (“**S&P**” and, together with Moody’s, the “**Rating Agencies**”), (ii) the Class B Notes be rated at least “Aa2” by Moody’s and at least “AA” by S&P, (iii) the Class C Notes be rated at least “A2” by Moody’s and at least “A” by S&P, (iv) the Class D Notes be rated at least “Baa2” by Moody’s and at least “BBB” by S&P and (v) the Class E Notes be rated at least “Ba2” by Moody’s and at least “BB” by S&P. Each of the above ratings assumes that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date. A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning Rating Agency. The Preference Shares will not be rated by any credit rating agency.

No person has been authorized to make or provide any representation or information regarding the Co-Issuers or the Securities other than as contained in this Offering Memorandum. Any such representation or information should not be relied upon as having been authorized by the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchaser. The delivery of this Offering Memorandum at any time does not imply that the information contained in it is correct as of any time subsequent to the date of this Offering Memorandum. The Co-Issuers disclaim any obligation to update such information and do not intend to do so. Unless otherwise indicated, all information in this Offering Memorandum is given as of the date of this Offering Memorandum.

This Offering Memorandum (this “**Offering Memorandum**”) has been prepared by the Co-Issuers solely for use in connection with the listing of the Senior Notes and the offering of the Securities as described herein. The Co-Issuers accept responsibility for the information contained in this Offering Memorandum (other than the information contained in the sections entitled “Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer” and “The Servicer”), having made all reasonable inquiries, confirm that, to the best knowledge and belief of the Co-Issuers, the information contained in this Offering Memorandum is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information. The Co-Issuers (and with respect to the information contained in this Offering Memorandum in the sections entitled “Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer” and “The Servicer” only, the Servicer) take responsibility accordingly.

The information appearing in the sections entitled “Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer” and “The Servicer” has been received from the Servicer and has been accurately reproduced. So far as the Co-Issuers are aware and are able to ascertain, no facts have been omitted from such information received which would render such information inaccurate or misleading. The Initial Purchaser and the Co-Issuers do not assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness, or applicability of such information, except that the Co-Issuers assume responsibility for accurately reproducing such information in this Offering Memorandum.

None of the Initial Purchaser, the Servicer (except with respect to the sections entitled, “Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer” and “The Servicer”) or the Trustee makes any representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the accuracy or completeness of the information in this Offering Memorandum. Each person receiving this Offering Memorandum acknowledges that such person has not relied on the Initial Purchaser, the Servicer (except with respect to the section entitled “Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer” and “The Servicer”) or the Trustee or any person affiliated therewith, in connection with its investigation of the accuracy of such information or its investment decision. Each person contemplating making an investment in the Securities must make its own investigation and analysis of the creditworthiness of the Co-Issuers and its own determination of the suitability of any such investment, with particular reference to its own investment objectives and experience, and any other factors that may be relevant to it in connection with such investment.

#### **NOTICE TO NEW HAMPSHIRE RESIDENTS**

**NEITHER THE FACT THAT A REGISTRATION STATEMENT OR AN APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE HAS BEEN FILED UNDER CHAPTER 421-B OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE REVISED STATUTES (THE “RSA”) WITH THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE NOR THE FACT THAT A SECURITY IS EFFECTIVELY REGISTERED OR A PERSON IS LICENSED IN THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CONSTITUTES A FINDING BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE THAT ANY DOCUMENT FILED UNDER RSA 421-B IS TRUE, COMPLETE AND NOT MISLEADING. NEITHER ANY SUCH FACT NOR THE FACT THAT AN EXEMPTION OR EXCEPTION IS AVAILABLE FOR A SECURITY OR A TRANSACTION MEANS THAT THE SECRETARY OF STATE HAS PASSED IN ANY WAY UPON THE MERITS OR QUALIFICATIONS OF, OR RECOMMENDED OR GIVEN APPROVAL TO, ANY PERSON, SECURITY, OR TRANSACTION. IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE, OR CAUSE TO BE MADE, TO ANY PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER, CUSTOMER, OR CLIENT ANY REPRESENTATION INCONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PARAGRAPH.**

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THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION OR OTHER REGULATORY AUTHORITY, AND NONE OF THE FOREGOING AUTHORITIES HAS CONFIRMED THE ACCURACY OR DETERMINED THE ADEQUACY OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

This Offering Memorandum contains summaries of certain documents. The summaries do not purport to be complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to such documents. Each person receiving this Offering Memorandum acknowledges that such person has been afforded an opportunity to request from the Issuer and to

review, and has received, all additional information considered by such person to be necessary to verify the accuracy and completeness of the information herein. Requests and inquiries regarding this Offering Memorandum or such documents should be directed to the Issuer, in care of the Initial Purchaser at One New York Plaza, New York, New York 10004. Such requests may also be made to the Listing Agent at the address set forth on the final page of this Offering Memorandum.

The Securities are a new issue of securities. There can be no assurance that a secondary market for any of the Securities will develop, or if a secondary market does develop, that it will provide the Holders of such Securities with liquidity of investment or that it will continue. Accordingly, investors should be prepared to bear the risks of holding the Securities until final payment is made thereon.

THE CONTENTS OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM ARE NOT TO BE CONSTRUED AS ACCOUNTING, LEGAL, BUSINESS OR TAX ADVICE. EACH PROSPECTIVE INVESTOR SHOULD CONSULT ITS OWN ACCOUNTANT, ATTORNEY, BUSINESS ADVISOR AND TAX ADVISOR AS TO LEGAL, BUSINESS AND TAX ADVICE. NONE OF THE CO-ISSUERS, THE INITIAL PURCHASER, THE SERVICER OR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES MAKES ANY REPRESENTATION TO ANY OFFEREE OF THE SECURITIES REGARDING THE LEGALITY OF AN INVESTMENT THEREIN BY SUCH OFFEREE UNDER APPLICABLE LEGAL INVESTMENT OR SIMILAR LAWS OR REGULATIONS OR THE PROPER CLASSIFICATION OF SUCH AN INVESTMENT THEREUNDER.

This Offering Memorandum does not constitute an offer of, or an invitation by or on behalf of, the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchaser to subscribe to or purchase any of the Securities in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful to make such an offer or invitation. The distribution of this Offering Memorandum and the offering of the Securities in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law. Persons into whose possession this Offering Memorandum comes are required by the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchaser to inform themselves about and to observe any such restrictions. For a description of certain further restrictions on offers and sales of Securities and distribution of this Offering Memorandum, see “Description of the Securities,” “Plan of Distribution” and “Transfer Restrictions.”

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has been registered under the United States Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “**Investment Company Act**”), in reliance on an exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Section 3(c)(7) under the Investment Company Act (“**Section 3(c)(7)**”). Each purchaser of Senior Notes represented by an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will be deemed to represent and agree and each purchaser of Class E Notes will be required to represent and agree that (i) the purchaser is acquiring such Notes in a principal amount of not less than U.S.\$250,000, and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof for such purchaser (and, in the case of the Senior Notes, each account for which such purchaser is purchasing such Notes) and (ii) the purchaser (and, in the case of the Senior Notes, each such account), is a Qualified Purchaser for purposes of Section 3(c)(7) (“**Qualified Purchaser**”). Each purchaser of Preference Shares will be required to represent and agree that (i) the purchaser is acquiring such Preference Shares in a number of not less than 100 Preference Shares and in integral multiples of one Preference Share in excess thereof for such purchaser and (ii) the purchaser is a Qualified Purchaser. See “Transfer Restrictions.”

The Issuer and the Co-Issuer may, at any time following the Closing Date, rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act (“**Rule 3a-7**”) in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7) upon (a) receipt of an opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm providing that neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer is required to register as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on such exclusion under Rule 3a-7 and (b) notice to the Holders of the Securities in accordance with the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. In connection with the Issuer’s reliance on Rule 3a-7 in lieu of Section 3(c)(7), the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents may be amended without the consent of any Holders and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to prevent the Issuer from becoming an “investment company” as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7). See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Servicer May Cause the Issuer to Amend the Indenture to Assure Compliance with Rule 3a-7 Without the Consent of the Holders of the Securities in a Manner That May Adversely Affect the Holders of Securities.”

No invitation to subscribe for the Securities may be made to the public in the Cayman Islands.

Prospective purchasers are hereby notified that a seller of the Securities may be relying on an exemption from the registration requirements of Section 5 of the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Securities Act**”) provided by Section 4(2) of the Securities Act (“**Section 4(2)**”).

In this Offering Memorandum references to “**Dollars**,” “**\$**” and “**U.S.\$**” are dollars or other equivalent units in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for all debts, public and private.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, except as necessary to comply with securities laws, each prospective investor (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) may disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure of the transactions described herein and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to them relating to such U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure under applicable U.S. federal, state or local tax law. Any such disclosure of the tax treatment, tax structure and other tax-related materials shall not be made for the purpose of offering to sell the Securities offered hereby or soliciting an offer to purchase any such Securities.

**NO ACTION WAS TAKEN OR IS BEING CONTEMPLATED BY THE CO-ISSUERS THAT WOULD PERMIT A PUBLIC OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES OR POSSESSION OR DISTRIBUTION OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY AMENDMENT THEREOF, OR SUPPLEMENT THERETO OR ANY OTHER OFFERING MATERIAL RELATING TO THE SECURITIES IN ANY JURISDICTION (OTHER THAN IRELAND) WHERE, OR IN ANY OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH, ACTION FOR THOSE PURPOSES IS REQUIRED. NOTHING CONTAINED HEREIN SHALL CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO SELL OR A SOLICITATION OF AN OFFER TO PURCHASE ANY SECURITIES IN ANY JURISDICTION WHERE IT IS UNLAWFUL TO DO SO ABSENT THE TAKING OF SUCH ACTION OR THE AVAILABILITY OF AN EXEMPTION THEREFROM.**

**A PROSPECTUS PREPARED PURSUANT TO THE PROSPECTUS DIRECTIVE WILL BE PUBLISHED, WHICH CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE ISSUER AND THE IRISH PAYING AGENT. SEE “LISTING AND GENERAL INFORMATION”. ANY FOREIGN LANGUAGE INCLUDED IN THIS DOCUMENT IS FOR CONVENIENCE PURPOSES ONLY AND DOES NOT FORM PART OF THE PROSPECTUS.**

#### **INFORMATION APPLICABLE TO NON U.S. INVESTORS**

**A COPY OF THIS PROSPECTUS WILL BE FILED WITH THE IRISH FINANCIAL SERVICES REGULATORY AUTHORITY AND WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE OF THE IRISH FINANCIAL REGULATORY AUTHORITY FROM THE DATE OF APPROVAL. COPIES OF SUCH PROSPECTUS WILL BE AVAILABLE FREE OF CHARGE FROM THE IRISH PAYING AGENT.**

#### **INFORMATION APPLICABLE TO U.S. INVESTORS**

This Offering Memorandum is confidential and is being furnished by the Co-Issuers in connection with an offering exempt from registration under the Securities Act, solely for the purpose of enabling a prospective investor to consider the purchase of the Securities described herein. Except as otherwise authorized herein, any reproduction or distribution of this Offering Memorandum, in whole or in part, and any disclosure of its contents or use of any information herein for any purpose other than considering an investment in the Securities is prohibited. Each offeree of the Securities, by accepting delivery of this Offering Memorandum, agrees to the foregoing.

**THE SECURITIES OFFERED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN RECOMMENDED BY ANY UNITED STATES FEDERAL OR STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION OR REGULATORY AUTHORITY. FURTHERMORE, THE FOREGOING AUTHORITIES HAVE NOT CONFIRMED THE ACCURACY OR DETERMINED THE ADEQUACY OF THIS DOCUMENT. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.**

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#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM**

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ISSUANCE OF THE SECURITIES MUST NOT BE ISSUED OR PASSED ON TO PERSONS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM EXCEPT TO PERSONS WHO: (i) ARE OUTSIDE OF THE UNITED KINGDOM; OR (ii) WHO ARE IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND (A) HAVE PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE IN MATTERS RELATING TO INVESTMENTS; OR (B) ARE PERSONS FALLING WITHIN ARTICLE 49(2) OF THE FINANCIAL SERVICES AND MARKETS ACT 2000 (FINANCIAL PROMOTION) ORDER 2005 OR ARE PERSONS TO WHOM THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY OTHER SUCH DOCUMENT MAY OTHERWISE LAWFULLY BE ISSUED OR PASSED ON (ALL SUCH PERSONS TOGETHER BEING REFERRED TO AS “**RELEVANT PERSONS**”). ANY INVESTMENT OR INVESTMENT ACTIVITY TO WHICH THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM RELATES IS AVAILABLE ONLY TO RELEVANT PERSONS AND WILL BE ENGAGED IN ONLY WITH RELEVANT PERSONS.

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#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF MEMBER STATES OF THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AREA**

In relation to each Member State of the European Economic Area which has implemented the Prospectus Directive (each, a “**Relevant Member State**”), the Initial Purchaser has represented and agreed that with effect from and including the date on which the Prospectus Directive is implemented in that Relevant Member State (the “**Relevant Implementation Date**”) it has not made and will not make an offer of securities to the public in that Relevant Member State prior to the publication of an Offering Memorandum in relation to the securities which has been approved by the competent authority in that Relevant Member State or, where appropriate, approved in another Relevant Member State and notified to the competent authority in that Relevant Member State, all in accordance with the Prospectus Directive, except that each may, with effect from and including the Relevant Implementation Date, make an offer of securities to the public in that Relevant Member State at any time:

- (a) to the legal entities which are authorized or regulated to operate in the financial markets or, if not so authorized or regulated, whose corporate purpose is solely to invest in securities;
- (b) to any legal entity which has two or more of (1) an average of at least 250 employees during the last financial year; (2) a total balance sheet of more than €43,000,000 and (3) an annual net turnover of more than €50,000,000, as shown in its last annual or consolidated accounts; or
- (c) in any other circumstances which do not require the publication by the issuer of an Offering Memorandum pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive.

For the purposes of this provision, the expression an “offer of securities to the public” in relation to any Securities in any Relevant Member State means the communication in any form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and the securities to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase or subscribe the Securities, as the same may be varied in that Member State by any measure implementing the Prospectus Directive in that Member State and the expression “Prospectus Directive” means Directive 2003/71/EC and includes any relevant implementing measure in each Relevant Member State.

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#### **NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC IN THE CAYMAN ISLANDS**

NO OFFER MAY BE MADE TO THE PUBLIC IN THE CAYMAN ISLANDS TO SUBSCRIBE FOR ANY SECURITIES AND THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM MAY NOT BE PASSED TO ANY SUCH PERSON.

#### AVAILABLE INFORMATION

To permit compliance with Rule 144A under the Securities Act (“**Rule 144A**”) in connection with the sale of the Securities, the Issuer (and, solely in the case of the Senior Notes, the Co-Issuers) under the Indenture referred to under “Description of the Securities” and the Preference Share Documents will be required to furnish upon request of a holder of a Security to such holder and a prospective purchaser designated by such holder the information required to be delivered under Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act if at the time of the request the Co-Issuers are not reporting companies under Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “**Exchange Act**”), or exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act. Such information may be obtained directly from the Issuer or through the paying agent in Ireland at the address set forth on the final page of this Offering Memorandum.

#### FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

Any projections, forecasts and estimates contained herein are forward looking statements and are based upon certain reasonable assumptions. Projections are necessarily speculative in nature, and it can be expected that some or all of the assumptions underlying the projections will not materialize or will vary significantly from actual results. Accordingly, the projections are only an estimate. Actual results may vary from the projections, and the variations may be material. Consequently, the inclusion of projections herein should not be regarded as a representation by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Initial Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates or any other person or entity of the results that will actually be achieved by the Issuer. None of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser and their respective Affiliates has any obligation to update or otherwise revise any projections, including any revisions to reflect changes in economic conditions or other circumstances arising after the date hereof or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events, even if the underlying assumptions do not come to fruition.

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## SUMMARY OF TERMS

*The following summary of terms does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by, and should be read in conjunction with, the more detailed information appearing elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum and the documents referred to in this Offering Memorandum. A Glossary and an Index of Defined Terms appear at the back of this Offering Memorandum.*

### Principal Terms of the Securities

	Class A Notes	Class B Notes	Class C Notes	Class D Notes	Class E Notes	Class I Preference Shares	Class II Preference Shares
<b>Type</b>	Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Extendable	Extendable
<b>Issuer(s)</b>	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Issuer	Issuer	Issuer
<b>Principal Amount / Face Amount (U.S.\$)<sup>1</sup></b>	\$376,000,000	\$29,500,000	\$25,250,000	\$19,250,000	\$17,250,000	\$12,000,000	\$36,000,000
<b>Stated Maturity / Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date<sup>3</sup></b>	November 1, 2018						
<b>Expected Average Life<sup>2</sup></b>	8.3	10.1	10.3	10.4	10.6	N/A	N/A
<b>Minimum Denominations (U.S.\$) (Integral Multiples)</b>	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$100,000 (\$1,000)	\$100,000 (\$1,000)
<b>Applicable Investment Company Act of 1940 Exemption</b>	3(c)(7)						
<b>Expected Initial Ratings:</b>							
<b>Moody's</b>	"Aaa"	"Aa2"	"A2"	"Baa2"	"Ba2"	N/A	N/A
<b>S&amp;P</b>	"AAA"	"AA"	"A"	"BBB"	"BB"	N/A	N/A
<b>Note Interest Rate</b>	LIBOR + 0.65%	LIBOR + 1.65%	LIBOR + 2.75%	LIBOR + 5.25%	LIBOR + 9.50%	N/A	N/A
<b>Fixed or Floating Rate</b>	Floating	Floating	Floating	Floating	Floating	N/A	N/A
<b>Pricing Date</b>	March 14, 2008						
<b>Closing Date</b>	March 27, 2008						
<b>Payment Date</b>	each February, May, August and November (or if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day)						
<b>First Payment Date</b>	November 1, 2008						
<b>Record Date</b>	15 days prior to the applicable Payment Date						
<b>Frequency of Payments</b>	Quarterly: February, May, August and November						
<b>Day Count</b>	Actual/360	Actual/360	Actual/360	Actual/360	Actual/360	N/A	N/A
<b>Priority Class</b>	None	A	A, B	A, B, C	A, B, C, D	A, B, C, D, E	A, B, C, D, E
<b>Junior Class</b>	B, C, D, E, Preference Shares	C, D, E, Preference Shares	D, E, Preference Shares	E, Preference Shares	Preference Shares	None	None
<b>Deferred Interest</b>	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A
<b>Form of Securities:</b>							
<b>Global</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
<b>Certificated</b>	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>CUSIPS Rule 144A</b>	00306LAA2	00306LAB0	00306LAC8	00306LAD6	00306MAA0	00306M201	00306M300
<b>CUSIPS Reg S</b>	G0059KAA6	G0059KAB4	G0059KAC2	G0059KAD0	G0059RAA1	G0059R202	G0059R301
<b>ISIN</b>	US00306LAA 26	US00306LAB 09	US00306LAC 81	US00306LAD 64	US00306MA A09	US00306M20 17	US00306M30 07
<b>ISIN Reg S</b>	USG0059KA A63	USG0059KA B47	USG0059KA C20	USG0059KA D03	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>CUSIPS Reg D</b>	N/A	N/A	00306LAG9	00306LAH7	00306MAB8	00306M409	00306M508
<b>Euroclear Common Code</b>	035462678	035463160	035463585	035464000	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Clearing Method:</b>							
<b>Rule 144A</b>	DTC	DTC	DTC/Physical	DTC/Physical	Physical	Physical	Physical
<b>Reg S</b>	Euroclear	Euroclear	Euroclear	Euroclear	Physical	Physical	Physical
<b>Certificated</b>	N/A	N/A	Rule 144A/ Reg D	Rule 144A/ Reg D	Rule 144A/ Reg D	Rule 144A	Rule 144A

- 1 The Preference Shares will be issued with a Face Amount of U.S.\$1,000 per share.
- 2 Under a hypothetical scenario in which, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (i) the Collateral consists of not less than 90% senior secured loans, (ii) the weighted average life of the Collateral is 8.76 years, (iii) 2% *per annum* by par amount of the Collateral Obligations experience defaults, (iv) 75% of the defaulted par amount on loans is recovered immediately and (v) 20% prepayments on the loans occur, the average life of each Class of the Notes will be as set forth in this table. The assumptions set forth above are not predictive or a forecast. They may not necessarily reflect historical performance and defaults for loans. The actual average lives may vary from the foregoing approximations. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary”.
- 3 The Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares are subject to multiple extensions to the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (in the case of the Notes) and the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (in the case of the Preference Shares), if the Issuer provides timely notice and the Extension Conditions are satisfied. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary,” “—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected,” “Maturity and Prepayment Considerations” and “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date.”

Aberdeen Loan Funding, Ltd. (the “**Issuer**”) and Aberdeen Loan Funding Corp. (the “**Co-Issuer**” and, together with the Issuer, the “**Co-Issuers**”) will issue the Class A Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2018 (the “**Class A Notes**”), the Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2018 (the “**Class B Notes**”), the Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2018 (the “**Class C Notes**”) and the Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2018 (the “**Class D Notes**” and, together with the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes, the “**Senior Notes**”), and the Issuer will issue the Class E Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2018 (the “**Class E Notes**” and, together with the Senior Notes, the “**Notes**”), the Class I Preference Shares (the “**Class I Preference Shares**”) and the Class II Preference Shares (the “**Class II Preference Shares**” and, together with the Class I Preference Shares, the “**Preference Shares**” and, together with the Notes, the “**Securities**”), each Preference Share with U.S.\$0.01 par value per share.

The Senior Notes will be limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer and non-recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuer. The Class E Notes will be limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer. The Notes will be issued pursuant to an indenture, dated as of March 27, 2008 (the “**Indenture**”), among the Co-Issuers and State Street Bank and Trust Company, as Trustee (the “**Trustee**”).

The Preference Shares will be part of the issued share capital of the Issuer and, accordingly, will not be secured obligations of the Issuer. State Street Bank and Trust Company will act as the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the Preference Shares and will perform various administrative services pursuant to a Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date (the “**Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement**”) by and between the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

The Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares will be identical in respect of rights to distributions except that the Class II Preference Shares (i) are entitled to receive Class II Preference Share

Special Payments if, with respect to any Payment Date, the Servicer, in its sole discretion, at any time waives a portion (or all) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments, and (ii) have total control with respect to the appointment and removal of the directors of the Issuer as long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is higher than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date. See “Description of the Securities—The Issuer Charter—Voting Rights.”

Payments to each Holder of the Notes of each Class shall be made ratably among the Holders of the Notes of that Class in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes of such Class held by each Holder. Payments to each Holder of the Preference Shares shall be made ratably among the Holders of the Preference Shares in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Preference Shares held by each Holder (*provided* that the Class II Preference Share Special Payments shall be paid solely to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class II Preference Shares held by each Holder).

Except as provided under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments,” the Class A Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes, the Class E Notes and payments of dividends on the Preference Shares; the Class B Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes, the Class E Notes and payments of dividends on the Preference Shares; the Class C Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class D Notes, the Class E Notes and payments of dividends on the Preference Shares; the Class D Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class E Notes and payments of dividends on the Preference Shares; the Class E Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to payments of dividends on the Preference Shares; and the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares will rank *pari passu* in right of dividend payments on each Payment Date except that any payments to the Holders of Class II Preference Shares of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments will have priority to the extent provided under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

The Securities and certain other obligations of the Co-Issuers will have the priorities of payment described under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

**Co-Issuers.....**

The Issuer is incorporated and exists as an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands. The Issuer’s activities are limited under the Indenture to acquiring Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, entering into any Hedge Agreements, issuing the Securities and entering into certain

related transactions. The Issuer has been established as a special purpose vehicle for the purpose of issuing asset-backed securities.

The Co-Issuer is organized as a corporation under the laws of the State of Delaware for the sole purpose of co-issuing the Senior Notes. The Co-Issuer has been established as a special purpose vehicle for the purpose of issuing asset-backed securities.

The Issuer will not have any significant assets other than Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, any Hedge Agreements and certain other eligible assets. The Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, the rights of the Issuer under any Hedge Agreements and other collateral will be pledged to the Trustee as security for, among other things, the Issuer's obligations under the Notes.

The Co-Issuer is not expected to have any significant assets and will not pledge any assets to secure the Senior Notes.

**Trustee**..... State Street Bank and Trust Company will act as the Trustee under the Indenture on behalf of the Holders of the Notes.

**Servicer**..... Certain servicing and administrative functions with respect to the Collateral will be performed by Highland Capital Management, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("**Highland Capital**" or, in such capacity, the "**Servicer**"), pursuant to the Servicing Agreement, which may be amended from time to time without the consent of the Holders of the Securities. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Servicing Agreement" and "The Servicing Agreement."

On the Closing Date, (i) the Approved Class II Preference Shareholders are expected to purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares and all or a portion of the Class E Notes and may purchase a portion of the Class C Notes and Class D Notes and (ii) the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates is expected to purchase all or a portion of the Class I Preference Shares. No assurance can be given whether HFP or the Servicer will retain such Class C Notes, Class D Notes, Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares and/or Class II Preference Shares for any amount of time. See "Plan of Distribution."

The Share Registrar will record in the register maintained by it (the "**Share Register**") which Preference Shares are held by HFP or any of its subsidiaries and which Preference Shares so specifically designated by Highland Capital are held by Highland Capital or one or more of its Affiliates (together with HFP or any of its subsidiaries, the "**Approved Class II Preference Shareholders**"). Such Preference Shares will be designated by the Share Registrar as Class II Preference Shares. Any transfer of a Class II Preference Share by an Approved Class II Preference Shareholder to any Person other than any Approved Class II Preference Shareholder will, subject to the terms of the Issuer Charter, be converted into a Class I Preference Share, which shall be effected by a redemption by the Issuer of the applicable Class II Preference Share and an issue of a Class I Preference Share. Any transfer of a Class I Preference Share to an Approved Class II Preference Shareholder will, subject to the terms of the Issuer Charter, be converted into a Class II Preference Share, which shall be effected by a redemption by the Issuer of the applicable Class I Preference Share and an issue of a Class II Preference Share.

The Servicer or its Affiliates may also acquire Securities upon the occurrence of the Amendment Buy-Out Option or in connection with a Refinancing. In addition, the Servicer or its Affiliates may acquire all or any portion of any Extension Sale Securities in connection with a Maturity Extension. See “The Servicer,” “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities,” “—Relating to the Servicer” and “—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer,” “Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out,” “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Redemption by Refinancing,” “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date” and “The Servicing Agreement.”

**Closing Date** ..... March 27, 2008.

**Use of Proceeds** ..... The net proceeds of the offering of the Securities received on the Closing Date, prior to the deduction of transaction expenses, are expected to equal approximately U.S.\$454,837,350 and will be used by the Issuer to:

- purchase a portfolio of Collateral Obligations;
- fund a trust account for Revolving Loans (the “**Revolving Reserve Account**”) and a trust account for Delayed Drawdown Loans (the “**Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account**”) to cover any future draws on Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans;
- enter into any Hedge Agreements, as applicable;
- enter into any Synthetic Security Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the related accounts);
- repay amounts owed to the Pre-Closing Parties in connection with the financing of the Issuer’s pre-closing acquisition of Collateral Obligations;
- fund the Closing Date Expense Account;
- pay certain expenses related to the transaction; and
- undertake certain related activities.

See “Use of Proceeds.”

**Payment Dates** ..... Payment of interest on, and principal of, the Notes will be made by the Issuer in U.S. Dollars on the first day of each February, May, August and November of each year (or if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day), commencing on the Payment Date in November 2008, to the extent of available cash flow in respect of the Collateral in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

**Hedge Agreements**..... At any time and from time to time on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, may enter into Hedge Agreements and will assign its rights (but none of its obligations) under any Hedge Agreements to the Trustee. See “Hedge Agreements.”



**Interest Payments and****Distributions from Interest****Proceeds .....**

The Notes will accrue interest from the Closing Date. Interest on the Notes will be payable, to the extent of funds available therefor, on each Payment Date.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of interest due on such Class of Deferred Interest Notes that is not available to be paid (“**Deferred Interest**”) in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered “payable” for the purposes of the Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for such Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest), until paid. See “Description of the Securities—Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Preference Shares from Interest Proceeds,” “—Priority of Payments” and “—The Indenture—Events of Default.”

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted and to the extent of available Interest Proceeds as described under clauses (xviii) and (xx) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds;” *provided* that, in lieu of payment of such Interest Proceeds, in whole or in part, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, will have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute on any Payment Date Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be distributed on the relevant Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be increased accordingly. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” and “—Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement—Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities.”

In addition, with respect to any Payment Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion (or all) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. Any Class II Preference Share Special Payment will be paid by the Issuer in accordance with the Priority of Payments described under clause (E) of the “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Adjusted Proceeds”, and clauses (xv) and (xix) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

**Principal Payments and  
Distributions from Principal  
Proceeds .....**

The Notes will mature at par on the Payment Date in November 2018 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (the “**Stated Maturity**”) and the Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed at the Redemption Price thereof by the Issuer on the Payment Date in November 2018 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (the “**Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**”), in each case unless redeemed or (in the case of the Notes) repaid in full prior thereto. The average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years from issuance until the Stated Maturity for such Notes. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary,” “—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected” and “Maturity and Prepayment Considerations.”

In general, principal payments will not be made on the Notes before the end of the Replacement Period, except in the following circumstances:

- in connection with the payment of Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes;
- in connection with an Optional Redemption;
- at the option of the Servicer, to effect a Special Redemption of the Notes;
- in connection with a Refinancing;
- pursuant to an Optional Redemption made in connection with a Tax Event; or
- following a mandatory redemption of the Notes caused by a failure to meet any of the Coverage Tests or a Rating Confirmation Failure.

See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments,” “—Optional Redemption,” “—Special Redemption of the Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture,” “—Optional Redemption—Redemption by Refinancing,” “—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes” and “Security for the Notes—Ramp-Up.”

No payments of principal will be made on the Class B Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class C Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class D Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class E Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes has been paid in full (other than with respect to the use of Interest Proceeds to pay principal of the Class E Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class E Coverage Tests). However, Principal Proceeds may be used to pay Deferred Interest and other amounts before the payment of principal of the Notes. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

No principal of any Class of Notes will be payable on any Payment Date other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and to the extent funds are available therefor on that Payment Date for that purpose, except that the principal of each Class of Notes will be payable in full at the Stated Maturity, unless repaid before that.

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares (including, with respect to the Class II Preference Shares, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted and to the extent of available Principal Proceeds as described under clauses (xi)(A), (xiv) and (xvi) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

For a description of the relative priority of payments and level of subordination of the Securities and certain fees, expenses and other liabilities of the Co-Issuers, see “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

**Extension of the Replacement  
Period, the Stated Maturity and  
the Scheduled Preference Shares  
Redemption Date.....**

The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Replacement Period to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date up to a maximum of four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. For purposes of the foregoing, “**Extension Effective Date**” means if an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extension Effective Date (or, in the case of the first Extension Effective Date, the Payment Date in May 2012) and “**Extended Replacement Period End Date**” means, if an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Replacement Period End Date (or, in the case of the first Extension, the Payment Date in May 2018); *provided* that the

“Extended Replacement Period End Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in May 2030.

If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date shall automatically be extended to the Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Securities or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents (the “**Maturity Extension**”); *provided* that the Issuer will not be permitted to effect more than four Maturity Extensions. For purposes of the foregoing, “**Extended Stated Maturity Date**” means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Stated Maturity Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Payment Date in November 2022), “**Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**” means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, November 2022) and “**Extended Weighted Average Life Date**” means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Weighted Average Life Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Weighted Average Life Date, May 2022); *provided* that the Extended Stated Maturity Date will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November 2034, the Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November 2034 and the Extended Weighted Average Life Date will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in May 2034.

As a condition to a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes or Preference Shares will have the right to offer to sell their Notes or Preference Shares to one or more Extension Qualifying Purchasers for purchase on the applicable Extension Effective Date.

If all Extension Conditions are satisfied and a Maturity Extension is effected, each Noteholder, other than Holders of Extension Sale Securities, will be entitled to receive the applicable Extension Bonus Payment, to the extent of available funds and as provided in the Priority of Payments. Holders of Preference Shares will not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in connection with a sale of Extension Sale Securities, all, but not part, of the Extension Sale Securities must be purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date.

See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary,” “—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected,” “Maturity and Prepayment Considerations,” and “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date.”

**Security for the Notes .....** The Notes will be secured by a portfolio having an Aggregate Principal Balance following the Ramp-Up Period of approximately U.S.\$510,000,000 (in principal amount) and consisting primarily of Collateral Obligations and certain other debt securities, in each case having the characteristics set forth herein. The Notes will also be secured by funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, the Issuer's rights under any Hedge Agreements, any Securities Lending Agreements, the Servicing Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement. See "Security for the Notes."

The Preference Shares are unsecured equity interests in the Issuer.

**Collateral Ramp-Up Period .....** The Issuer expects that, as of the Closing Date, it will have purchased (or entered into commitments to purchase) Collateral Obligations to be included in the anticipated portfolio such that the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator will be at least U.S.\$510,000,000 as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date. The "**Ramp-Up Completion Date**" is the earlier of (i) the Business Day after the 120th day after the Closing Date, and (ii) the first date on which the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer plus the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations committed to be purchased by the Issuer with proceeds from the sale of the Securities (in each case with respect to Collateral Obligations committed to be purchased, measured solely as of the date of commitment) equals at least U.S.\$510,000,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, (x) without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments or principal prepayments made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp Up Completion Date, (y) for any Loan acquired by the Issuer at a Purchase Price less than 70% of its Principal Balance (I) if such Loan has a Moody's Obligation Rating that is equal to or better than "B2" (and not rated "B2" on watch for downgrade) such Loan will be given 100% par credit for purposes of determining its Principal Balance on the Ramp-Up Completion Date and (II) if such Loan has a Moody's Obligation Rating less than "B2" (or "B2" on watch for downgrade) such Loan will be valued at its Purchase Price for purposes of determining its Principal Balance on the Ramp-Up Completion Date and (z) any Structured Finance Obligation that has an overcollateralization-based event of default with ratings based haircuts (including CCC excess securities haircuts) shall have a Principal Balance of zero).

In anticipation of the issuance of the Securities, one or more Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser (the "**Pre-Closing Parties**") are financing the acquisition of Collateral Obligations by the Issuer during the Accumulation Period. On the Closing Date, the funds advanced by each applicable Pre-Closing Party will be repaid by the Issuer with proceeds of the offering to the extent not prepaid prior thereto. In exchange for bearing the risk of loss on the Collateral Obligations acquired prior to the Closing Date, the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates will each be entitled to a share of the interest and any fees and commissions (net of any interest and other amounts payable to the Pre-Closing Parties on funds advanced by them to finance the acquisition of Collateral Obligations) paid by the obligors of such Collateral Obligations or accrued on such Collateral Obligations, from the time of purchase to the Closing Date, plus a share of the amount by which any realized net gains exceed any realized net losses on

Collateral Obligations sold or fully repaid during the Accumulation Period, in each case, in proportion to the percentage of Preference Shares each such party purchases on the Closing Date. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Collateral Obligations—A Substantial Amount of Collateral Obligations Was Acquired Before the Closing Date, and the Terms of the Acquisition May Adversely Affect the Issuer.”

See “Security for the Notes—Ramp-Up.”

**Replacement Period; Acquisition  
of Replacement Collateral  
Obligations.....**

During the Replacement Period, the Issuer may generally (and subject to certain requirements) use Principal Proceeds received with respect to the Collateral to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria (which Eligibility Criteria include requirements that an item of Collateral purchased by the Issuer meet the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and that the portfolio of Collateral Obligations be in compliance with the Concentration Limitations to the extent provided in the Eligibility Criteria). See “—Collateral Obligations,” “—Concentration Limitations” and “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.”

The “**Replacement Period**” will be the period from the Closing Date through and including the first to occur of:

- (i) the Payment Date after the date that the Servicer notifies the Trustee, each Rating Agency and the Administrator, in the sole discretion of the Servicer, that, in light of the composition of the Collateral, general market conditions, and other factors, the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations within the foreseeable future would be impractical;
- (ii) the Payment Date in May 2014 or, in the case of an Extension, the Extended Replacement Period End Date;
- (iii) the Payment Date on which all Notes are to be optionally redeemed or an earlier date after notice of an Optional Redemption chosen by the Servicer to facilitate the liquidation of the Collateral for the Optional Redemption; and
- (iv) the date on which the Replacement Period terminates or is terminated as a result of an Event of Default (subject to the terms of the Indenture).

No acquisition of Collateral Obligations will be made after the termination of the Replacement Period, except that (x) Unscheduled Principal Payments and (y) Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations may be used to purchase Collateral Obligations after the Replacement Period subject to the limitations described under “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria” and “—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations.” After the termination of the Replacement Period, all Principal Proceeds (other than Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations) must be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments.



Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, no acquisition or disposition of a Collateral Obligation or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) shall be effected by or on behalf of the Issuer for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes.

**Collateral Obligations** ..... Any obligation or security (a “**Collateral Obligation**”) that, when the Issuer commits to purchase (or otherwise acquire) the obligation or security, is a Loan, High-Yield Bond, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that is a Loan, a Structured Finance Obligation or High-Yield Bond that is:

- (i) denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars and is not convertible by its obligor into any other currency;
- (ii) an obligation of an obligor Domiciled in an Eligible Country;
- (iii) an obligation that is eligible by its terms to be assigned to the Issuer and pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral;
- (iv) not an exchangeable or convertible security;
- (v) not an equity security or a component of an equity security or a security that has a component that is an equity security (other than for avoidance of doubt, a pass-through trust certificate in a trust holding Collateral Obligations that is rated by a nationally recognized credit rating agency);
- (vi) not an obligation or security that has been called for redemption and not an obligation or security that is the subject of an Offer other than a Permitted Offer or an exchange offer in which a security that is not registered under the Securities Act is exchanged for (a) a security that has substantially identical terms (except for transfer restrictions) but is registered under the Securities Act or (b) a security that would otherwise qualify for purchase under the Eligibility Criteria;
- (vii) an obligation that (a) has a Moody’s Rating (including any estimated or confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored) and (b) has an S&P Rating (including any confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored), which S&P Rating does not have a “p”, “pi”, “q”, “r”, “t” or “f” subscript unless S&P otherwise authorizes in writing;
- (viii) an obligation that is a Finance Lease (if it is a lease) and the Rating Condition with respect to S&P has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;
- (ix) (a) an obligation that is not a Current-Pay Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation and (b) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that has a Moody’s Rating of “Caa1” or lower or an S&P Rating of “CCC+” or lower, an obligation for which the Servicer has

certified in writing that such Collateral Obligation is not a Credit Risk Obligation;

- (x) an obligation that (unless it is a High-Yield Bond) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness for borrowed money of the applicable issuer; *provided* that for the avoidance of doubt, this clause shall not prohibit the inclusion as Collateral Obligations of Subordinated Lien Loans or Second Lien Loans;
- (xi) an obligation that (a) (unless it is a PIK Security) bears simple interest payable in cash no less frequently than annually at a fixed or floating rate that is paid on a periodic basis on an unleveraged basis and, in the case of a floating rate, computed on a benchmark interest rate plus or minus a spread, if any (which may vary under the terms of the obligation) and (b) provides for a fixed amount of principal payable in cash according to a fixed schedule (which may include optional call dates) or at maturity (or a fixed notional amount in the case of Synthetic Securities);
- (xii) an obligation the payment or repayment of the principal, if any, of which is not an amount determined by reference to any formula or index or subject to any contingency under the terms thereof;
- (xiii) an obligation the portion of which to be acquired (including through a Synthetic Security with respect to the Reference Obligation) does not represent, directly or indirectly, more than a 25% interest in the obligation;
- (xiv) not an obligation with a maturity later than four years after the Stated Maturity of the Notes;
- (xv) an obligation upon which no payments are subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the obligor thereof or counterparty with respect thereto is required to make “gross-up” payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax on an after-tax basis (other than withholding taxes with respect to commitment fees, facility fees or other similar fees);
- (xvi) not a Loan or Synthetic Security that would require the Issuer after its purchase of the Loan or Synthetic Security to advance any funds to the related borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty or permit the borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty to require that any future advances be made except for:
  - (A) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the Issuer deposits into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, respectively, the maximum amount of any advances that may be required of the Issuer under the related Underlying Instrument (as provided in the Indenture); and



- (B) any Synthetic Security if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Synthetic Security, the Issuer posts cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) the Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of any future advances;
- (xvii) if such obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation, such obligation:
  - (A) has been assigned a rating by both Moody's and S&P;
  - (B) has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" or higher and an S&P Rating of "BBB-" or higher;
  - (C) has not been placed on the watch list for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P;
  - (D) not serviced/managed by the Servicer; and
  - (E) not a middle market CLO (as determined by the Servicer);
- (xviii) not a Loan that is an obligation of a debtor in possession or a trustee for a debtor in an insolvency proceeding other than a DIP Loan;
- (xix) with respect to an obligation that provides for the payment of interest at a floating rate, an obligation for which such floating rate is determined by reference to the U.S. Dollar prime rate or other base rate, London interbank offered rate or similar interbank offered rate, commercial deposit rate or any other index that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto;
- (xx) in the case of a Synthetic Security, the Synthetic Security is one for which the counterparty or issuer, as the case may be, has a short-term debt rating by Moody's of at least "P-1" or long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" and, if rated "A3" by Moody's, such rating is not on watch for downgrade, and a short-term debt rating by S&P of at least "A-1+" or, if no short-term rating exists, an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "AA-" and at the time of acquisition the documentation meets S&P's current counterparty criteria with respect to collateral posting and replacement upon downgrade of the counterparty;
- (xxi) not an obligation that constitutes Margin Stock;
- (xxii) not a Zero-Coupon Security;
- (xxiii) not an obligation that is currently deferring interest or paying interest "in kind" or otherwise has an interest "in kind" balance outstanding at the time of purchase, which interest is otherwise payable in cash;

- (xxiv) not a security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer;
- (xxv) not an obligation the interest payments of which are scheduled to decrease (although interest payments may decrease due to unscheduled events such as a decrease of the index relating to a Floating Rate Obligation, the change from a default rate of interest to a non-default rate of interest or an improvement in the obligor's financial condition); and
- (xxvi) an "eligible asset" as defined under Rule 3a-7 and not an obligation that will cause the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the pool of assets to be required to be registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act.

Pursuant to the definition of "Synthetic Security," unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event."

See "Security for the Notes—Purchase of Collateral Obligations" and "—Eligibility Criteria."

**Concentration Limitations**..... Upon a purchase of a Collateral Obligation, the Eligibility Criteria require that each of the limits set forth below with respect to a particular type of Relevant Obligation (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance plus the aggregate outstanding principal amount of any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) as a percentage of the Maximum Amount (the "**Concentration Limitations**") is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced:

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(1) Senior Secured Loans and Eligible Investments	≥ 90.0%
(2) Senior Unsecured Loans, Subordinated Lien Loans and Second Lien Loans	≤ 5.0%
(3) Revolving Loans and the unfunded portion of Delayed Drawdown Loans	≤ 12.0%
(4) DIP Loans	≤ 7.5%
(5) PIK Securities	≤ 5.0%
(6) High-Yield Bonds	≤ 5.0%
(7) Structured Finance Obligations	≤ 2.5%
(a) except that Structured Finance Obligations serviced by the Servicer may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 0%
(b) except that Structured Finance Obligations that are middle market CLOs may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 0%
(c) except that Structured Finance Obligations that are rated either Ba1 or lower or BB+ or lower may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 0%
(d) except that a single issuer together with any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) of a Structured Finance Obligation may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 1.0%
(e) except that Structured Finance Obligations that are CLOs of which greater than 10% of the underlying obligations are backed primarily by other CLOs may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 0.0%

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(8) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States and Canada	≤ 20.0%
(9) obligors Domiciled in Canada or any single Moody's Group I Country	≤ 10.0%
(10) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group II Country	≤ 5.0%
(11) obligors Domiciled in all Moody's Group II Countries in the aggregate	≤ 10.0%
(12) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group III Country	≤ 2.5%
(13) obligors Domiciled in all Moody's Group III Countries in the aggregate	≤ 5.0%
(14) obligors organized in any Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction (other than Structured Finance Obligations)	≤ 3.0%
(15) same S&P Industry Classification	≤ 10.0%
(a) except that Relevant Obligations belonging to two S&P Industry Classifications may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 12.0%
(16) same Moody's Industry Classification	≤ 12.0%
(a) except that Relevant Obligations belonging to two Moody's Industry Classifications may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 14.0%
(17) single obligor and any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties)	≤ 1.5%
(a) except that up to each of five individual obligors and any of their Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties and any obligor under a DIP Loan) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 2.5%
(18) Fixed Rate Obligations	≤ 5.0%
(19) Pay interest less frequently than quarterly but no less frequently than semi-annually	≤ 5.0%
(20) Pay interest less frequently than semi-annually but no less frequently than annually	≤ 3.0%
(21) Synthetic Securities	≤ 20.0%
(a) except that Synthetic Securities that provide for settlement other than by physical delivery may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 5.0%
(b) except that Synthetic Securities that reference a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 0.0%
(c) except that Synthetic Securities that reference a single vintage of such index may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 2.0%
(22) Participations including Synthetic Letters of Credit structured as a Participation ( <i>provided</i> that no Relevant Obligations may be a Participation in a Participation)	≤ 10.0%
(23) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, in the aggregate may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 20.0%
(24) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, a single Secondary Risk Counterparty	≤ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Individual Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating*

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(25) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, all Secondary Risk Counterparties	≤ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under “Aggregate Counterparty Limit” for applicable rating**
(26) Deep Discount Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(a) except that Collateral Obligations acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 50% of their Principal Balance and which have a public Moody’s rating that is equal to or better than “B2” (and not rated “B2” on watch for downgrade) may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column; <i>provided that:</i>	≤ 3.0%
(i) no Collateral Obligation of the type set forth in the clause 26(a) may be purchased:	
(a) if on the date of such purchase a Credit Rating Event is in effect;	
(b) if on the date of such purchase the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is not satisfied;	
(c) if on the date of such purchase the Concentration Limitations set forth in clause 27 are not satisfied; or	
(d) if the Class E Coverage Tests are lower than the levels as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date;	
(ii) Collateral Obligations may not exceed, on a cumulative basis, 12% of the Maximum Amount from the Ramp-Up Completion Date up to and including the Stated Maturity, but such cumulative amount will be reset on any Maturity Extension;	
(iii) once such a Collateral Obligation has traded for 30 consecutive days at a Market Value Percentage equal to or greater than 65% it shall no longer be counted as part of the 3.0% limit in clause 26(a) above (for the avoidance of doubt any such Collateral Obligation will count toward the 12% cumulative bucket set forth in clause (a)(iii) above);	
(b) except that no single obligor of a Collateral Obligation of the type specified in clause 26(a) may exceed the percentage of the Maximum Percentage specified in the right column	≤ 1.0%
(c) except that Collateral Obligations that do not have a public Moody’s rating or have a public Moody’s rating less than “B2” (or rated “B2” on watch for downgrade) may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 0.0%
(d) except that prior to the Ramp-Up Completion Date Collateral Obligations acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 50% of their Principal Balance (regardless of their rating) may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 0.0%
(27) CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations	≤ 5.0%
(28) Long-Dated Collateral Obligations	≤ 2.0%
(29) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements	≤ 15.0%
(30) Collateral Obligations providing for interest at a non-London interbank offered rate (excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, the unfunded amount of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan)	≤ 5.0%
(31) Collateral Obligations that are Loans that are part of a credit facility with a total global aggregate commitment amount of less than \$150,000,000	≤ 10.0%
(32) Synthetic Letters of Credit	≤ 5.0%
(33) Current-Pay Obligations	≤ 5.0%
(34) Cov-lite Loans	≤ 10.0%

\* Applicable long-term unsecured rating by Moody’s or S&P of such Secondary Risk Counterparty (using the limit for the lower of such ratings if different).

\*\* Long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P at or below a level specified in the Secondary Risk Table (using the lower of such ratings for a Secondary Risk Counterparty, if different).

Subject to the rights in certain circumstances of the Servicer to determine otherwise as set out in the Indenture, solely for the purpose of determining whether the Concentration Limitations are met, Eligible Investments and Cash will be treated as Senior Secured Loans and Floating Rate Obligations.

See "Security For the Notes—Eligibility Criteria."

## Coverage Tests and the Interest

### Diversion Test.....

The "**Coverage Tests**" will consist of the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Tests. In addition, the Interest Diversion Test, which is not a Coverage Test, will apply as described herein. See "Security For the Notes—The Coverage Tests—The Overcollateralization Tests" and "—The Interest Coverage Tests" for the formulations of these tests, which are highly detailed. The ratios on which they are based are also described under such headings. The tests will be used to determine, among other things, whether (i) Notes will be redeemed in certain circumstances as described under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments" and (ii) in the case of the Coverage Tests, Collateral Obligations may be acquired as described under "Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria."

There will not be any Coverage Test applicable to the Preference Shares.

### The Overcollateralization Tests.....

The Overcollateralization Tests will consist of the "**Class A/B Overcollateralization Test**," the "**Class C Overcollateralization Test**," the "**Class D Overcollateralization Test**" and the "**Class E Overcollateralization Test**." Each Overcollateralization Test will be satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes if, as of any Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the specified required level for the specified Class indicated in the table below:

Test	Required Level
Class A/B Overcollateralization Test	113.75 %
Class C Overcollateralization Test	110.50 %
Class D Overcollateralization Test	107.25 %
Class E Overcollateralization Test	105.00 %

### The Interest Coverage Tests.....

The Interest Coverage Tests will consist of the "**Class A/B Interest Coverage Test**," the "**Class C Interest Coverage Test**," the "**Class D Interest Coverage Test**" and the "**Class E Interest Coverage Test**." Each Interest Coverage Test will be satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level specified in the table below for the specified Class:

Test	Required Level
Class A/B Interest Coverage Test	125.00 %
Class C Interest Coverage Test	115.00 %
Class D Interest Coverage Test	110.00 %
Class E Interest Coverage Test	105.00 %

<i>Interest Diversion Test</i> .....	A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Interest Diversion Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 106.00%.
<b>Collateral Quality Tests</b> .....	The Collateral Quality Tests will be used primarily as criteria for purchasing Collateral Obligations. See “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.” The “ <b>Collateral Quality Tests</b> ” will consist of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Life Test, the Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the S&P CDO Monitor Test, as described below.
<i>Diversity Test</i> .....	The Diversity Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date, if the Diversity Score equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score.
<i>S&amp;P CDO Monitor Test</i> .....	The S&P CDO Monitor Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive.
<i>Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test</i> .....	The Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 7.5%.
<i>Weighted Average Life Test</i> .....	The Weighted Average Life Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the greater of (a) the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and May 1, 2018 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date and (b) four years.
<i>Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test</i> .....	The Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody’s Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 44.50%.
<i>Weighted Average Rating Factor Test</i> .....	The Weighted Average Rating Factor Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date, if the Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of such Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor.
<i>Weighted Average S&amp;P Recovery Rate Test</i> .....	The Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Recovery Rate for each Class of Notes is greater than or equal to: (i) with respect to the Class A Notes, 58.50%; (ii) with respect to the Class B Notes, 61.75%; (iii) with respect to the Class C Notes, 65.00%; (iv) with respect to the Class D Notes, 67.75%; and (v) with respect to the Class E Notes, 70.75%.



*Weighted Average Spread Test* ..... The Weighted Average Spread Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread.

See “Security for the Notes—The Collateral Quality Tests.”

**Mandatory Redemption of the  
Notes for Failure to Satisfy  
Coverage Tests** .....

If any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the last day of any Due Period (each, a “**Determination Date**”), funds will be used pursuant to the Priority of Payments to redeem the Notes to the extent necessary for such failing Coverage Tests to be satisfied that would otherwise be used:

- (i) to purchase additional Collateral Obligations during the Replacement Period; or
- (ii) to make interest and principal payments on the Notes and to make dividend or redemption payments in respect of the Preference Shares.

See “Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests.”

**Certain Consequences of Failure  
to Satisfy the Interest  
Diversion Test** .....

If the Interest Diversion Test is not satisfied on any Determination Date, certain funds, as described under clause (xiv) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds,” representing Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be used to make payments on the Preference Shares and pay certain subordinated expenses of the Issuer, will instead be used to pay principal on the Notes, in reverse order of priority, as described under clause (xiv) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

**Mandatory Redemption of the  
Notes Upon Rating Confirmation  
Failure** .....

No later than 10 Business Days after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer shall (a) provide certain information to S&P and Moody’s as required by the Indenture and described herein and (b) notify each of the Rating Agencies in writing of the occurrence of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (each, a “**Ramp-Up Notice**”) and request in writing that each of S&P and Moody’s confirm in writing within 25 days of delivery of such Ramp-Up Notice that it has not reduced or withdrawn the ratings (including any private or confidential ratings) assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes; *provided, however*, that the Issuer shall not be required to request a Rating Confirmation from Moody’s if, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date Moody’s has received an accountants’ certificate confirming (i) the Issuer is in compliance with each of the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests and the Concentration Limitations and (ii) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator of the Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owns or has

committed to purchase is at least equal to U.S.\$510,000,000. If the Issuer is unable to obtain a requested Rating Confirmation from S&P or, if required, Moody's with respect to any Class of Notes on or prior to the date 25 days after the delivery of the Ramp-Up Notice, a "**Rating Confirmation Failure**" will be deemed to have occurred and shall thereafter be deemed to be continuing until the first date thereafter on which the Trustee shall have received evidence of confirmation of the Initial Ratings, on which date it shall be deemed to have been cured. If a Rating Confirmation Failure is continuing, then, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, all Interest Proceeds remaining after payment of amounts referred to in clauses (A) through (F) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Adjusted Proceeds" and (i) through (xii) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" will be used to pay principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes in the Note Payment Sequence on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date thereafter until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. If necessary, after the foregoing payments are made out of Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds in accordance with clause (x) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds" will be used to pay principal of each Class of the Notes sequentially in order of their priority on each Payment Date until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. See "Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure."

**Optional Redemption .....** Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the applicable Required Redemption Percentage may require the Issuer or Co-Issuers, as applicable, to redeem the Notes, in whole but not in part, from Principal Proceeds and all other funds available for that purpose in the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account in accordance with the optional redemption procedures described under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption."

Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at their Redemption Price. From and after the Redemption Date the redeemed Notes will cease to bear interest.

The redemption price payable in connection with the Optional Redemption of any Class of Notes will be the sum of:

- (i) the outstanding principal amount of the Note being redeemed;  
*plus*
- (ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest); *plus*
- (iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note; *plus*
- (iv) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.



The redemption price payable in connection with the Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares will be (i) at the request of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the entire remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications or (ii) as specified by the unanimous written request of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case, as described under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

In addition, any Class of Notes may be redeemed in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period from Refinancing Proceeds obtained from a loan or the issuance of a replacement class of notes, subject to the written consent of a Majority of the Preference Shares (voting as a single class) and to the extent and subject to the restrictions and conditions described herein and set forth in the Indenture.

**Special Redemption .....** The Notes will be subject to redemption in whole or in part by the Issuer or the Co-Issuers, as applicable, on Payment Dates during the Replacement Period if the Servicer elects (subject to the Servicing Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional or replacement Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the use of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations (a “**Special Redemption**”). On the first Payment Date following the Due Period for which such notice is effective (a “**Special Redemption Date**”), the funds in the Collection Account or the Payment Account representing Principal Proceeds that cannot be used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (the “**Special Redemption Amount**”) will be available to be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments. See “Description of the Securities—Special Redemption of the Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture.”

**Additional Issuance of Preference Shares.....** At any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the net proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations if the conditions for such additional issuance described under “Description of the Securities—Additional Issuance of Preference Shares” are met. Any amendment to the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents or any other related documents required to provide for or facilitate such additional issuance of Preference Shares will not require the consent of the Holders of Securities.

**The Offering.....** The Senior Notes are initially being offered (i) in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act (“**Regulation S**”) to non-U.S. Persons in offshore transactions (“**Offshore Transactions**”) as such term is defined in Regulation S and (ii) to purchasers that are (I) Qualified Institutional Buyers (as defined in Rule 144A) (each, a “**Qualified Institutional Buyer**”) (or, solely with respect to the initial offering to certain Holders purchasing Class C Notes and Class D Notes on the Closing Date, to Institutional Accredited Investors) and (II) Qualified Purchasers. Subsequent transferees of the Senior Notes

must be (i) non-U.S. Persons that purchase the Senior Notes in Offshore Transactions or (ii)(a) Qualified Institutional Buyers and (b) Qualified Purchasers. The Class E Notes and the Preference Shares are initially offered and may be subsequently transferred only to purchasers that are (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers (or, solely with respect to the initial offering to certain Holders purchasing Class E Notes on the Closing Date, to Institutional Accredited Investors) and (ii) Qualified Purchasers. See “Plan of Distribution” and “Transfer Restrictions.”

**Form, Registration and Transfer  
of the Senior Notes .....**

Except as provided herein, the Senior Notes sold in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Rule 144A to Qualified Institutional Buyers and Qualified Purchasers will be represented by one or more permanent global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons (each, a “**Rule 144A Global Note**”) deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository. The Depository will credit the account of each of its participants with the principal amount of the Senior Notes being purchased by or through the participant. Beneficial interests in a Rule 144A Global Note will be shown on, and transfers thereof will be effected only through, records maintained by the Depository and its direct and indirect participants. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Senior Notes.”

Except as provided herein, the Senior Notes sold to non-U.S. Persons in Offshore Transactions in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by one or more permanent global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons (each, a “**Regulation S Global Note**,” and, together with the Rule 144A Global Notes, the “**Global Notes**”) which will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear or Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream at any time.

Except in the limited circumstances described herein, certificated Senior Notes will not be issued in exchange for beneficial interests in Global Notes. See “Settlement and Clearing.”

Transfers of interests in the Senior Notes are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Indenture. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Senior Notes” and “Transfer Restrictions.” Each purchaser of Senior Notes in making its purchase will be required to make, or will be deemed to have made, as the case may be, certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements. See “Transfer Restrictions.”

**Form, Registration and  
Transfers of the Certificated Notes.....**

Some of the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes, and all of the Class E Notes, will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the “**Certificated Notes**”).

Transfers of the Certificated Notes are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Indenture. See “Description of the Securities—Form,

Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Certificated Notes” and “Transfer Restrictions.” Each purchaser of Certificated Notes in making its purchase will be required to make certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements. See “Transfer Restrictions” for more details.

**Form, Registration and  
Transfers of the  
Preference Shares.....**

The Preference Shares will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Preference Shares in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the “**Certificated Preference Shares**”).

Transfers of the Preference Shares are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Preference Share Documents. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Preference Shares” and “Transfer Restrictions.” Each purchaser of Preference Shares in making its purchase will be required to make certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements. See “Transfer Restrictions” for more details.

**Ratings.....**

It is a condition of the issuance of the Securities that each Class of Notes be rated at least as indicated in the table under “—Principal Terms of the Securities” on the Closing Date.

No rating of the Preference Shares has been sought or obtained in connection with the issuance thereof.

Each of the above ratings assumes that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date.

A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning Rating Agency. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—Future Ratings of the Notes Are Not Assured and Limited in Scope; the Preference Shares are Not Rated.”

**Listing.....**

Application will be made for the Senior Notes to be admitted to the *Official List* of the ISE and trading on its regulated market. There can be no assurance that such admission will be granted or maintained. See “Listing and General Information.” The issuance and settlement of the Senior Notes on the Closing Date will not be conditioned on the listing of the Senior Notes on the ISE. Furthermore, the Co-Issuers will not be required to maintain a listing on a stock exchange in the European Union if compliance with requirements of the European Commission on a member state becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer. In addition, there is currently no market for the Senior Notes and there can be no assurance that a market will develop.

**Governing Law .....**

The terms and conditions of the Preference Shares (as set forth in the Issuer Charter and the Resolutions) will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the Cayman Islands. The Notes, Indenture, any supplemental indenture, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Securities Account Control Agreement and any

Hedge Agreements will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the State of New York.

**Tax Status.....** See “Income Tax Considerations.”

**Certain ERISA Considerations .....** See “Certain ERISA Considerations” and “Transfer Restrictions.”

## **RISK FACTORS**

*An investment in the Securities involves certain risks. Prospective investors should carefully consider the following factors, in addition to the matters set forth elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum, prior to investing in any Class of Securities.*

### **Investor Suitability**

An investment in the Securities will not be appropriate or suitable for all investors. Structured investment products, like the Securities, are complex instruments, and typically involve a high degree of risk and are intended for sale only to sophisticated investors who are capable of understanding and assuming the risks involved. Any investor purchasing Securities should conduct its own investigation and analysis of an investment in the Securities and consult with its own professional advisors as to the risks involved in making such investment.

### **General; Priorities of Securities**

The Issuer intends to acquire securities and other financial assets with certain risk characteristics as provided in the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement. See “Security for the Notes.” There can be no assurance that the Issuer will be successful in achieving its objectives to ensure that investors receive their initial investments under the Securities and that they receive a return (and avoid any losses, including total losses) on their investment in the Securities. Prospective investors are therefore advised to review this entire Offering Memorandum carefully and should consider, among other things, the following risk factors (along with, among other things, the inherent risks of investment activities) before deciding whether to invest in the Securities.

Except as is otherwise stated below, the risk factors are generally applicable to all the Securities, although the degree of risk associated with each Class of Securities may vary. In particular, the priorities of payment of the Notes are generally in the order of their alphabetic designation from the Class A Notes (the highest priority) to the Class E Notes (the lowest priority), the priorities of payment of the Notes are higher than priorities of payment of the Preference Shares except with respect to the amount, if any, required for payment of Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

### **Relating to the Securities**

#### *Recent Developments in the Financial Markets May Adversely Affect Repayment of Notes*

Investors should note that the financial markets have experienced substantial fluctuations in prices for leveraged loans and limited liquidity for such obligations. No assurance can be given that the conditions giving rise to such price fluctuations and limited liquidity will not occur following the Closing Date. During periods of limited liquidity and higher price volatility, the Issuer’s ability to acquire or dispose of Collateral Obligations at a price and time that the Issuer deems advantageous may be impaired. In particular, the Issuer is prohibited from acquiring or disposing of Collateral Obligations for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. As a result, in periods of rising market prices, the Issuer may be unable to participate in price increases fully to the extent that it is unable to acquire desired positions quickly; the Issuer’s inability to dispose fully and promptly of positions in declining markets may exacerbate losses suffered by the Issuer when Collateral Obligations are sold. A decrease in the market value of the Collateral Obligations would also adversely affect the sale proceeds that could be obtained upon the sale of the Collateral Obligations and could ultimately adversely affect the ability of the Issuer to pay in full or redeem the Notes. Such events could cause the ratings on the Notes to be lowered or withdrawn entirely by each Rating Agency if in its judgment the circumstances so warrant. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—Future Ratings of the Notes Are Not Assured and Limited in Scope; the Preference Shares Are Not Rated.”

#### *The Securities Will Have Limited Liquidity*

There is currently no market for the Securities. There can be no assurance that a secondary market for any Class of Securities will develop, or if a secondary market does develop, that it will provide the Holders of the applicable Class of Securities with liquidity of investment or that it will continue for the life of such Class of

Securities. In addition, each Class of Securities is subject to certain transfer restrictions and can only be transferred to certain transferees as described under "Transfer Restrictions." The restrictions on the transfer of the Securities may further limit their liquidity. The Securities are designed for long-term investors and should not be considered a vehicle for short-term trading purposes. Consequently, an investor in the Securities must be prepared to bear the risk of holding such Securities until their Stated Maturity or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. To the extent that any secondary market exists for the Securities in the future, the price (if any) at which Securities may be sold could be at a discount, which in some cases may be substantial, from the principal amount of the Securities. To the extent any market exists for the Securities in the future, significant delays could occur in the actual sale of Securities. In addition, the Securities will not be registered under the Securities Act or any state securities laws, and the Co-Issuers have no plans, and are under no obligation, to register the Securities under the Securities Act. Application will be made for the Senior Notes to be admitted to the Official List of the ISE and trading on its regulated market. There can be no assurance that any such admission will be granted or maintained.

*The Subordination of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes, the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares Will Affect Their Right to Payment in Relation to the More Senior Securities*

The Class B Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class B Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees and expenses) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class B Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

The Class C Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class C Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees and expenses) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class C Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class C Deferred Interest.

The Class D Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class D Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees and expenses) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class D Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class D Deferred Interest.

The Class E Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class E Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees and expenses) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class E Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class E Deferred Interest and the use of Interest Proceeds to pay principal of the Class E Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class E Coverage Tests.

No payments will be made out of Interest Proceeds on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments), until due and unpaid interest on the Notes (including any Deferred Interest) and certain amounts (including certain amounts due under any Hedge Agreements, certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees and expenses) have been paid on the Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments.



No payments will be made out of Principal Proceeds on the Preference Shares (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) until principal of each Class of Notes and certain other amounts payable out of Principal Proceeds on each Payment Date have been paid in full. In addition, the Preference Shares will not be redeemed until each Class of Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

In addition, the Co-Issuers will have only nominal equity capitalization in the form of Issuer Ordinary Shares and the Co-Issuer Common Stock. Consequently, to the extent that any losses are suffered by any of the Holders of any Securities, the losses will be borne first by the Holders of the Preference Shares, and then by the Holders of each Class of Notes, sequentially in inverse order of their alphabetic designations.

See “Description of the Securities.”

*Interest Will Be Deferred on Deferred Interest Notes if There Are Insufficient Funds under the Priority of Payments for Payment of Interest*

So long as any Class A Notes or Class B Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class C Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes as Class C Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class C Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds.

So long as any Class A Notes, Class B Notes or Class C Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class D Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes as Class D Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class D Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A Notes, Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds.

So long as any Class A Notes, Class B Notes, Class C Notes or Class D Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class E Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class E Notes as Class E Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class E Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A Notes, Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds.

*Interest Proceeds May Be Retained in Priority to any Payments to Holders of Preference Shares*

If the Interest Diversion Test is not met on any Determination Date, a portion of the Interest Proceeds that might otherwise have been paid to the Holders of the Preference Shares on the related Payment Date will instead be used to pay principal on the Notes, in reverse order of priority, as described under clause (xiv) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

*The Controlling Class Will Control Many Rights under the Indenture; However, Some Rights of the Controlling Class to Sell the Collateral in Connection with an Event of Default Are Limited*

Under the Indenture, many rights of the Holders of the Notes will be controlled by a Majority of the Controlling Class. Remedies pursued by the Holders of the Controlling Class upon an Event of Default could be adverse to the interests of the Holders of Securities subordinated to the Controlling Class. After any realization on the Collateral, proceeds will be allocated in accordance with the Priority of Payments pursuant to which the Notes and certain other amounts owing by the Co-Issuers will be paid in full before any allocation to the Preference Shares (except, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments), and each Class of Notes (along with certain other amounts owing by the Co-Issuers) will be paid sequentially in alphabetic order until it is paid in full before any allocation is made to the next Class of Notes.

The ability of the Controlling Class to direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral is subject to certain limitations. As described under “Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default,” if an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee must retain the Collateral intact and collect all payments in respect of the Collateral and continue making payments in accordance with the Priority of Payments and in accordance with the Indenture unless either (A) the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, determines (bid prices having been obtained with respect to each security contained in the Collateral from two nationally recognized dealers (or if there is only one dealer, that dealer), selected and specified by the Servicer to the Trustee in writing, at the time making a market in those securities, and having computed the anticipated proceeds of sale or liquidation on the basis of the lower of the bid prices for each security) that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under clause (E) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Adjusted Proceeds” or (B) with respect to an Event of Default other than as specified in clauses (a), (b) or (d) under “Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default,” the Holders of a Super Majority of each of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes direct, subject to the provisions of the Indenture, the sale and liquidation of the Collateral, and with respect to an Event of Default specified in clauses (a), (b) or (d) under “Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default,” a Majority of the Controlling Class direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral.

*Net Proceeds Less Than Aggregate Amount of the Securities*

It is anticipated that the proceeds received by the Issuer on the Closing Date from the issuance of the Securities, net of certain fees and expenses, will be less than the aggregate principal amount of the Securities. Consequently, it is anticipated that on the Closing Date the Collateral will be insufficient to repay the full principal amount of the Securities in the event an Event of Default were to occur under the Indenture on or shortly after the Closing Date.

In addition, during the lifetime of the transaction, except as described herein, excess interest will be distributed as dividends to the Holders of the Preference Shares, rather than being used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations. Therefore, it is highly likely that after payments of the Notes and the other amounts payable prior to the Preference Shares under the Priority of Payments, Principal Proceeds will be insufficient to return the initial investment made in the Preference Shares. Therefore, Holders of Preference Shares must rely on distributions of excess interest proceeds to achieve their expected return.

*The Issuer is Highly Leveraged, which Increases Risks to Investors*

The Issuer will be substantially leveraged. The use of leverage in acquiring assets is a speculative technique which increases the risk to holders of the Securities, particularly holders of the subordinated Securities. In certain scenarios, the Notes may not be paid in full and the Preference Shares may be subject to up to 100% loss of invested capital. The leverage provided to the Issuer by the issuance of the Securities will result in interest expense and other costs incurred in connection with the borrowings that may not be covered by the net interest income, dividends and other cash flow in respect of the Collateral Obligations. The use of leverage generally magnifies the Issuer’s risk of loss, particularly for the more subordinate Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares. The Preference Shares represent the most junior Securities in a highly leveraged capital structure. As a result, any deterioration in performance of the Collateral, including defaults and losses, a reduction of realized yield or other factors, will be borne first by holders of the Preference Shares. In addition, the use of leverage can magnify the effects on the Preference Shares of a deterioration in the performance of the Collateral. In certain circumstances, such as in connection with the exercise of remedies following an Event of Default, the Controlling Class may require the Issuer to dispose of some or all of the Collateral Obligations under unfavorable market conditions, thus causing the Issuer to recognize a loss that might not otherwise have occurred. In certain circumstances, the Controlling Class are entitled to direct the sales of Collateral Obligations and may be expected to do so in their own interest, rather than in the interests of the more subordinate Classes of Securities.



*Each of the Co-Issuers Is Recently Formed, Has No Significant Operating History, Has No Material Assets Other than the Collateral and Is Limited in Its Permitted Activities*

Each of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer is a recently formed entity and has no significant operating history, other than, with respect to the Issuer, in connection with the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations during the period up to the Ramp-Up Completion Date. Accordingly, neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has a performance history for prospective investors to consider. The performance of other CDO vehicles serviced or advised by the Servicer should not be relied upon as an indication or prediction of the performance of the Issuer. Such other CDO vehicles may have significantly different characteristics, including structures, composition of the collateral pool, objectives, management personnel and terms when compared to the Issuer and the Co-Issuer. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—Performance History of the Servicer May Not Be Indicative of Future Results.”

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer will have any material assets other than, with respect to the Issuer, the Collateral. The Indenture provides that the Issuer is not permitted to engage in any business activity other than the issuance of the Notes, the Preference Shares and the Issuer Ordinary Shares, the acquisition and disposition of Collateral Obligations, certain activities conducted in connection with the payment of amounts in respect of the Securities and the servicing of the Collateral, and other activities incidental or related to the foregoing and that the Co-Issuer is not permitted to engage in any business activity other than the co-issuance and sale of the Senior Notes, the issuance of the Co-Issuer Common Stock, and other activities incidental or related to the foregoing. Income derived from the Collateral will be the Issuer’s principal source of cash.

*The Securities Are Not Registered Under the Securities Act and the Issuer Is Not Registered under the Investment Company Act*

The Issuer has not registered the Securities under the Securities Act and the Issuer is not registered under the Investment Company Act, in each case in reliance upon applicable exemptions to registration under the Securities Act and the Investment Company Act. The Issuer does not expect to register the Securities under the Securities Act nor become registered under the Investment Company Act at any time in the foreseeable future. As such, investors should be aware that the Issuer and the Securities are not subject to many of the regulatory protections and oversight applicable to securities that are registered under the Securities Act or applicable to registered investment companies.

*The Notes May Become Subject to Emerging Requirements of the European Union*

As part of the harmonization of securities markets in Europe, the European Commission has adopted Directive 2004/109/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 December 2004 and amended Directive 2001/34/EC (collectively known as the Transparency Directive) that, among other things, imposes continuing financial reporting obligations on issuers that have certain types of securities admitted to trading on an E.U. regulated market, including the Irish Stock Exchange. In addition, the Market Abuse Directive harmonizes the rules on insider trading and market manipulation in respect of securities admitted to trading on an E.U. regulated market and requires issuers of such securities to disclose any non-public price-sensitive information as soon as possible, subject to certain limited exemptions. Any listing of the Notes on the Irish Stock Exchange would subject the Co-Issuers to regulation under these directives, although the requirements applicable to the Co-Issuers are not yet fully clarified. If compliance with these directives (or other requirements adopted by the European Commission or a relevant member state) is required and is determined by the Issuer (or the Servicer, acting on behalf of the Issuer), to be overly burdensome or costly, the Issuer could elect not to maintain the listing of the Notes on the Irish Stock Exchange or any other E.U. stock exchange.

*The Notes Are Limited Recourse Debt Obligations; Investors Must Rely on Available Collections from the Collateral and Will Have No Other Source for Payment*

The Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer and non-recourse obligations of the Co-Issuer and the Class E Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer. The Securities are payable solely from the Collateral pledged by the Issuer to secure the Notes. None of the security holders, members, officers, directors, partners, or incorporators of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator, the Administrator, the Share Registrar, the Share Trustee, any of their respective affiliates, or any other person will be obligated to make payments on the Notes. The Issuer’s ability to make interest payments and principal repayments on the Notes will be constrained by the terms of the Indenture. Holders of the Notes must rely

solely on collections received on the Collateral pledged to secure the Notes and for the payment of interest and principal on the Notes, and there can be no assurance that those collections will be sufficient to pay all amounts due on the Notes. If distributions on the Collateral are insufficient to make payments on the Notes, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and, following liquidation of all of the Collateral, the Co-Issuers will not have any obligation to pay any deficiency, which shall be extinguished and shall not revive.

*The Preference Shares are not Secured Obligations; Investors Must Rely on Available Collections from the Collateral and Will Have No Other Source for Payment*

The Preference Shares will be part of the issued share capital of the Issuer. The Preference Shares are equity in the Issuer and are not secured by the Collateral Obligations or other Collateral securing the Notes. As such, the Holders of Preference Shares will rank behind all creditors, whether secured or unsecured and known or unknown, of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the Holders of the Notes and any Hedge Counterparties (other than, to the extent described under the “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments,” the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares with respect to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments). Except with respect to the obligations of the Issuer to pay the amounts described under the “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” and “—Principal Proceeds,” the Issuer does not, however, expect to have any creditors though there can be no assurance that this will be the case. In addition, the Issuer is also subject to limitations with respect to the business that it may undertake. See “The Co-Issuers—Business.” Payments in respect of the Preference Shares are subject to certain requirements imposed by Cayman Islands law. Any amounts paid by the Preference Shares Paying Agent as dividends on the Preference Shares will be payable only if the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or balance in the Issuer’s share premium account. In addition, dividends and the final payment upon redemption of the Preference Shares will be payable only to the extent that the Issuer is and will remain solvent after such dividends or redemption payment is paid. Under Cayman Islands law, a company is generally deemed to be solvent if it is able to pay its debts as they come due in the normal course of business.

The Issuer’s obligation to pay dividends or to make other distributions to the Holders of the Preference Shares will therefore not be a secured obligation of the Issuer and such Holders will not be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture, nor will the Trustee have any obligation to act on behalf of the Holders of Preference Shares. With the exception of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, Holders of the Preference Shares will only be entitled to receive amounts available for payment of dividends or other distributions after payment of all amounts payable on each Class of Notes and certain other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments and only to the extent of distributable profits of the Issuer and/or any balance in the Issuer’s share premium account and (in each case) only to the extent that the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distributions.

To the extent the requirements under Cayman Islands law described in the preceding paragraphs are not met, amounts otherwise payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares (with the exception of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) will be retained in the Preference Shares Distribution Account until, in the case of dividends, the next succeeding Payment Date on which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent such requirements are met and, in the case of any payment on redemption of the Preference Shares, the next succeeding Business Day on which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent such requirements are met. Amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account will not be available to pay amounts due to the Holders of the Notes, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Servicer, any Hedge Counterparty or any other creditor of the Issuer whose claim is limited in recourse to the Collateral. However, amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account may be subject to the claims of creditors of the Issuer that have not contractually limited their recourse to the Collateral. The Indenture and the Preference Share Documents will limit the Issuer’s activities to the issuance and sale of the Securities, the acquisition and disposition of the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments and the other activities related to the issuance and sale of the Securities described under the “The Co-Issuers.” The Issuer therefore does not expect to have any significant full recourse liabilities that would be payable out of amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

*The Issuer May Distribute Eligible Equity Securities to the Holders of the Preference Shares in Lieu of Cash*

The Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, may direct the Trustee to distribute Eligible Equity Securities, in lieu of a distribution of Interest Proceeds, in whole or in part, to the Holders of the Preference Shares who consent to such distribution with respect to any applicable Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities, determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date, is equal to or lower than

the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be distributed to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares on the relevant Payment Date. The Market Value of any Eligible Equity Securities is subject to fluctuations and may increase or decrease following any distribution of such Eligible Equity Securities to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares, which, in certain circumstances, may result in the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares receiving overall a higher or lower internal rate of return compared with the internal rate of return received by the Holders of the Preference Shares who have not accepted any distribution of the Eligible Equity Securities.

*The Issuer May Not Be Able to Apply Available Funds to Acquire Appropriate Collateral*

The amount of Collateral Obligations purchased on the Closing Date, the amount and timing of the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations before the Ramp-Up Completion Date, and the subsequent application of Principal Proceeds, will affect the cash flows available to make payments on, and the return to the Holders of, the Securities. Reduced liquidity and relatively lower volumes of trading in certain Collateral Obligations, in addition to restrictions on acquisition represented by the Eligibility Criteria, could result in periods during which the Issuer is not able to fully utilize its available cash to acquire Collateral Obligations, and it is unlikely that the Issuer's available cash will be fully applied in Collateral Obligations at any time. The longer the period before application of cash or cash-equivalents to acquire Collateral Obligations and the larger the amount of such cash or cash equivalents, the greater the adverse impact may be on aggregate interest collected and distributed by the Issuer, thereby resulting in lower yield than could have been obtained if the net proceeds associated with the offering of the Securities and all Principal Proceeds were immediately and fully applied. The associated risk will be borne first by the Holders of the Preference Shares and second by the Holders of the Notes (beginning with the most subordinated Class of Notes). Although the Servicer may mitigate this risk to some degree during the Replacement Period by declaring a Special Redemption, the Servicer is not required to do so, and any Special Redemption may result in a lower yield on the Issuer's assets than could have been obtained if the net proceeds from the offering of the Securities and all Principal Proceeds were immediately and fully applied and no Special Redemption had taken place.

Generally, Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations, and Sale Proceeds received on the Collateral Obligations) will be applied during the Replacement Period (and, Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, may be applied on any date after the Replacement Period, at the discretion of the Servicer) to purchase replacement Collateral Obligations or temporarily held in Eligible Investments pending purchase of replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The earnings with respect to replacement Collateral Obligations will depend, among other factors, on interest rates available in the marketplace at the time and on the availability of Collateral Obligations acceptable to the Servicer that satisfy the criteria under "Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria." The need to satisfy the criteria and identify acceptable Collateral Obligations may require the purchase of replacement Collateral Obligations having lower yields than those initially acquired or require that Principal Proceeds be held temporarily in cash or Eligible Investments, which will reduce the yield earned by the Issuer. Further, issuers of Collateral Obligations may be more likely to exercise any rights they may have to redeem them when interest rates or spreads are declining. Any decrease in the yield on the Collateral Obligations will reduce the amounts available to make payments of principal and interest on the Notes and payments on the Preference Shares.

The Issuer expects that, as of the Closing Date, it will have purchased (or entered into commitments to purchase) an Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations to be included in the anticipated portfolio equal to at least 90% of the Maximum Amount as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (which is anticipated to consist of approximately \$200,000,000 in Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations purchased and approximately \$259,000,000 in Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations committed to be purchased). As such, on the Closing Date, the Issuer is expected to have unapplied proceeds. This will likely reduce the amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be available to distribute to the holders of the Preference Shares, particularly on the first Payment Date. If the Issuer issues additional Preference Shares after the Closing Date, the Issuer would likely have unapplied proceeds of the offering, pending the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations. The extent to which cash balances remain unapplied will be subject to a variety of factors, including future market conditions and is difficult to predict.

*Valuation Information*

Neither the Issuer nor any other party will be required to provide periodic pricing or valuation information to investors.

*Changes in Tax Law Could Result in the Imposition of Withholding Taxes with Respect to Payments on the Securities, and the Issuer Will Not Gross-Up Payments to Holders*

Although no withholding tax is currently imposed by the United States or the Cayman Islands on payments on the Securities, there can be no assurance that, as a result of any change in any applicable law, treaty, rule, regulation, or interpretation thereof, the payments with respect to the Securities would not in the future become subject to withholding taxes. If any withholding tax is imposed on payments on any Securities, the Issuer will not “gross up” payments to their Holders.

*The Securities Are Subject to Substantial Transfer Restrictions*

The Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act, under any U.S. state securities or “Blue Sky” laws, or under the securities laws of any other jurisdiction and are being issued and sold in reliance upon exemptions from registration provided by those laws. No Securities may be sold or transferred unless: the sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act (for example, in reliance on exemptions provided by Rule 144A or Regulation S) and applicable state securities laws; and the sale or transfer does not cause either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral to become subject to the registration requirements of the Investment Company Act. See “Transfer Restrictions” and “Certain ERISA Considerations.”

*Non-Compliance with Restrictions on Ownership of the Securities and Acquisition or Disposition of Collateral Obligations under the Investment Company Act Could Adversely Affect the Issuer*

Neither of the Co-Issuers has registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) as an investment company pursuant to the Investment Company Act in reliance on an exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Section 3(c)(7) for companies organized under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States or any of its states whose investors residing in the United States are solely “qualified purchasers” (within the meaning given to such term in the Investment Company Act and related SEC regulations).

The Issuer and the Co-Issuer may, at any time following the Closing Date, rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7) upon (a) receipt of an opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm providing that neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer is required to register as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on such exclusion under Rule 3a-7 and (b) notice to the Holders of the Securities in accordance with the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. In connection with this alternate reliance, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents may be amended without the consent of any Holders to prevent the Issuer from becoming an “investment company” as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7). See “—The Servicer May Cause the Issuer to Amend the Indenture to Assure Compliance with Rule 3a-7 Without the Consent of the Holders of the Securities in a Manner that May Adversely Affect the Holders of Securities” below.

No opinion or no-action position with respect to the registration of either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral under the Investment Company Act has been requested of, or received from, the SEC. If the SEC or a court of competent jurisdiction were to find that the Issuer or the Co-Issuer is required, but in violation of the Investment Company Act had failed, to register as an investment company, possible consequences include the following: (i) the SEC could apply to a district court to enjoin the violation; (ii) investors in the Issuer or the Co-Issuer could sue the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, and recover any damages caused by the violation; and (iii) any contract to which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, is party whose performance involves a violation of the Investment Company Act would be unenforceable by any party to the contract unless a court were to find that under the circumstances enforcement would produce a more equitable result than non-enforcement and would not be inconsistent with the purposes of the Investment Company Act.

In addition, the Issuer’s being required to register as an investment company would result in an Event of Default. See “Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default.” Should the Issuer or the



Co-Issuer be subjected to any or all of the foregoing, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, would be materially and adversely affected.

*Restrictions on Acquisition or Disposition of Collateral Obligations May Reduce the Earnings of the Holders of the Securities*

Rule 3a-7 imposes limitations on the ability of the Issuer to purchase or sell assets, including prohibiting the Issuer from purchasing or selling assets for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. The Indenture will restrict the Issuer from purchasing and selling assets consistent with such requirements of Rule 3a-7. Under these restrictions the Issuer may be required to hold a Collateral Obligation or precluded from acquiring a Collateral Obligation when it would have sold such Collateral Obligation or acquired such Collateral Obligation, as applicable, had it based such determination on the market value changes in the value of such Collateral Obligations. As a result, greater losses on the Collateral may be sustained and there may be insufficient proceeds on any Payment Date to pay in full any expenses of the Issuer or any amounts payable to the Trustee or the Administrator (all of which amounts are payable prior to payments in respect of the Notes) and the payments due on the Securities. See “Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations.”

*The Servicer May Cause the Issuer to Amend the Indenture to Assure Compliance with Rule 3a-7 Without the Consent of the Holders of the Securities in a Manner That May Adversely Affect the Holders of Securities*

On the Closing Date, the Approved Class II Preference Shareholders will purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares. The Servicer will act as the manager for HFP. HFP may need to rely on an exception from the definition of “investment company” and the requirement to register under the Investment Company Act that in turn depends upon the Issuer not being an investment company required to register under the Investment Company Act by reason of Rule 3a-7 thereunder in lieu of the Issuer’s reliance on Section 3(c)(7). It is expected that, in connection with certain capital raising activities of HFP, the SEC may consider the applicability of Rule 3a-7 to the Issuer. If it were determined that the Issuer cannot rely on Rule 3a-7, the Servicer may cause the Issuer to amend the Indenture without the consent of the Holders of the Notes and without the consent of the Holders of the Preference Shares to enable the Issuer to rely on Rule 3a-7 or to better assure compliance therewith, which could require additional limitations and prohibitions on the circumstances under which the Issuer may sell assets, on the type of assets that the Issuer may acquire out of the proceeds of assets that mature, are refinanced or otherwise sold, on the period during which such transactions may occur, on the level of transactions that may occur or on other provisions of the Indenture and could adversely affect the earnings of the Issuer and its ability to make payments on the Notes and distributions to the Preference Shares. As a condition to the effectiveness of any such amendment to the Indenture, the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer will receive (i) a Rating Confirmation with respect to such amendment and (ii) a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such amendment and assuming compliance with the Indenture as so amended, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on such exemption under Rule 3a-7. Such nationally recognized law firm may also be acting as counsel to the Servicer, certain Holders of Notes and/or Preference Shares. The interests of any such parties may not align with the interest of other Holders of Notes and/or Preference Shares. See “Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Supplemental Indenture.”

*The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary*

The Stated Maturity of the Notes is November 1, 2018 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date. The weighted average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years until their Stated Maturity. See “Description of the Securities.” The weighted average life of a Class of Notes will be affected by the amount and timing of payments of principal of the Notes and the amount and timing of payments received on the Collateral Obligations. The amount and timing of payments of principal on the Notes will be affected by, among other things, any Optional Redemption of the Notes, any Refinancing of the Notes, a failure of any Coverage Test, a Rating Confirmation Failure, any failure by the Servicer to apply the proceeds of the offering of the Securities in Collateral Obligations, a redemption of the Securities made in connection with a Tax Event, any Special Redemption of one or more Classes of Notes, and an Event of Default by the Issuer in the payment of the Notes and an acceleration of the principal of the Notes in connection with an Event of Default. The

occurrence of any of the foregoing unscheduled principal repayments of the Notes is, in turn, determined by the amount and timing of payments on the Collateral, which will be dependent on, among other things, the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral and the characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, including the existence and frequency of exercise of any prepayment, optional redemption, or sinking fund features, the prevailing level of interest rates, the redemption price, the actual default rate and the actual level of recoveries on any Defaulted Collateral Obligations, the frequency of tender or exchange offers for the Collateral Obligations and any sales of Collateral Obligations, dividends or other distributions received on any obligations that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange do not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, as well as the risks unique to Collateral Obligations of foreign issuers. A shortening of the average life of the Notes may adversely affect returns on the Preference Shares. See “Security for the Notes.”

The Collateral Obligations actually acquired by the Issuer may be different from those expected to be purchased by the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, due to market conditions, availability of such Collateral Obligations and other factors. The actual portfolio of Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer will change from time to time as a result of sales and purchases of Collateral Obligations.

*A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected*

Under the Indenture, the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled, on each Extension Effective Date, to extend the Replacement Period (a maximum of four times) to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. Under the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents, if the Replacement Period is so extended, the Stated Maturity of the Notes (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) will be equally extended and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended without the requirement for any approval or consent of any Holders of Securities. Holders of Securities will not be able to prevent or prohibit the extension of the Stated Maturity of the Notes (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) so long as the Extension Conditions are satisfied, which include the ability of Holders of Securities to sell their Securities at the designated purchase price to a designated purchaser under the Indenture. However, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Indenture provides that Holders of Preference Shares that have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12% as of the Extension Effective Date will not receive any payment in exchange for their Preference Shares sold in connection with a Maturity Extension.

As a consequence, if the Servicer elects to extend the Replacement Period and the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Holders of the Securities must either hold their Securities for a significantly longer period of time than initially expected or sell their Securities at the applicable purchase price under the Indenture.

*An Amendment Buy-Out May Result in a Shorter Holding Period Than Expected*

Any Non-Consenting Holder of Securities with respect to an amendment of the Indenture (which includes Holders that fail to respond to a consent solicitation within the applicable period) may be forced to sell its applicable Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Securities. However, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Indenture provides that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price will be zero for Non-Consenting Holders that have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12% as of the date of an Amendment Buy-Out. See “Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out.” Given these features, a Holder’s ability to affect or influence the amendment process through voting against such amendment may be limited, while the Servicer’s ability to affect or influence the amendment process may be enhanced.

*The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests*

If any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied on any Determination Date on which the Notes of the relevant Class are Outstanding, Interest Proceeds available on the related Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments (and, to the extent Interest Proceeds are insufficient, Principal Proceeds available on the Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments) are required to be applied to pay principal of the relevant Class of Notes (and any Classes senior to it) to the extent necessary for the relevant Coverage Test to be satisfied. The application

of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to pay principal of the Notes to the extent necessary to restore the Coverage Tests to certain minimum required levels could result in an elimination, deferral or reduction in the amounts available to make distributions on the Preference Shares and interest and principal payments on one or more classes of Notes, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of the Securities.

*The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure*

If a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, Interest Proceeds and, if Interest Proceeds are insufficient, Principal Proceeds, are required to be diverted in accordance with the Priority of Payments and used to pay the principal of the Notes sequentially in order of their relative priority on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date after that until each rating is reinstated. The application of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to pay principal of the Notes to the extent necessary for one or more ratings to be reinstated could result in an elimination, deferral, or reduction in one or more payments or distributions on one or more Classes of Securities, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of those Classes of Securities.

*The Indenture Permits Special Redemption of Notes Based on the Servicer's Inability to Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations*

The Servicer is permitted under the Indenture to elect to have all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations applied to a Special Redemption of the Notes, in whole or in part, on one or more Payment Dates during the Replacement Period because it has been unable, for a period of at least 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional or replacement Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the application of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations. On the Special Redemption Date, in accordance with the Indenture, the Special Redemption Amount will be applied in accordance with "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds," to the extent available (which includes for this purpose unapplied proceeds specified by the Servicer), to pay the principal of the Notes. The application of funds in that manner could result in an elimination, deferral, or reduction of amounts available to make payments on Securities subordinate in priority to the Securities being amortized. See "Description of the Securities—Special Redemption of Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture."

*The Notes Are Subject to Optional Redemption*

Subject to satisfaction of certain conditions, on any Payment Date upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the applicable Required Redemption Percentage may require that the Notes be redeemed as described under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption." In the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Servicer may be required to aggregate Collateral Obligations to be sold together in one block transaction, thereby possibly resulting in a lower realized value for the Collateral Obligations sold. There can be no assurance that the market value of the Collateral will be sufficient for the applicable Required Redemption Percentage to direct an Optional Redemption of the Notes. A decrease in the market value of the Collateral would adversely affect the Sale Proceeds from their sale. Consequently, the conditions precedent to the exercise of an Optional Redemption may not be met. Moreover, the Holders of the Notes may not be able to invest the proceeds of the redemption of the Notes in investments providing a return equal to or greater than the return the Holders of the Notes expected to obtain from their investment in the Notes.

*The Notes are Subject to Redemption by Refinancing*

The Indenture provides that any Class of the Notes may be redeemed in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period from Refinancing Proceeds subject to the satisfaction of certain requirements. See "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Redemption by Refinancing." Accordingly, a more junior Class of Notes may be redeemed from Refinancing Proceeds in whole even if a more senior Class of Notes remains outstanding. Holders of Notes that are refinanced (or otherwise optionally redeemed) may not be able to reinvest the proceeds of such Notes in assets with comparable interest rates or maturity. An optional redemption from Refinancing Proceeds may also result in a shorter investment than a Holder of Notes may have anticipated.

*Future Ratings of the Notes Are Not Assured and Limited in Scope; the Preference Shares Are Not Rated*

It is a condition to the issuance of the Notes that they be rated as provided under “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.” A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and is subject to revision or withdrawal at any time. There is no assurance that a rating will remain for any given period or that a rating will not be lowered or withdrawn entirely by each Rating Agency if in its judgment circumstances in the future so warrant. Any such action could have an adverse effect on the Holders of the relevant Class of Securities. If a rating initially assigned to a Class of Notes is subsequently lowered for any reason, no person is obligated to provide any additional credit support or credit enhancement. The ratings of the Notes are based on the assumption that no Maturity Extension occurs at any time.

No rating of the Preference Shares will be sought or obtained in connection with their issuance.

*Tax Considerations; No Gross-Up*

A Collateral Obligation will be eligible for purchase by the Issuer if, at the time it is purchased (or committed for purchase), either the payments thereon are not subject to withholding taxes (except for withholding taxes with respect to commitment fees and other similar fees (including, without limitation, certain payments on obligations or securities that include a participation in or that support a letter of credit) associated with Collateral Obligations constituting Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans and fees from a borrower under a synthetic letter of credit) imposed by any jurisdiction or the obligor is required to make “gross-up” payments that fully compensate for such withholding taxes. There can be no assurance that, as a result of any change in any applicable law, treaty, rule or regulation or interpretation thereof, the payments on certain Collateral Obligations would not become or be treated as subject to withholding taxes imposed by any jurisdiction. In addition, the IRS and the United States Department of Treasury (the “**Treasury**”) have requested comments on the appropriate treatment of credit default swaps, which often are included as Synthetic Securities, and possible alternative treatments could result in withholding taxes on payments received by the Issuer. In that event, if the obligors of such Collateral Obligations were not then required to make or in fact failed to make “gross-up” payments that fully compensate for such withholding taxes, the amounts available to make payments on, or distributions to, the holders of the Notes would accordingly be reduced. There can be no assurance that remaining payments on the Collateral would be sufficient to make timely payments of interest on and payment of principal at the Stated Maturity of each Class of Notes and, consequently, to make distributions to the holders of the Preference Shares. For additional tax considerations, see “Income Tax Considerations”.

In the event that any withholding tax is imposed on payments on the Notes, the holders of such Notes will not be entitled to receive “gross-up” amounts to compensate for such withholding tax. In addition, upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, the Issuer may on any Payment Date, whether during or after the Non-Call Period, simultaneously redeem in whole but not in part, at redemption prices specified herein, the Notes in accordance with the procedures described under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Optional Redemption Procedures” below.

*Additional Tax.* The Issuer expects to conduct its affairs so that its net income will not become subject to U.S. federal income tax. There can be no assurance, however, that its net income will not become subject to United States federal income tax as the result of unanticipated activities by the Issuer, changes in law, contrary conclusions by the U.S. tax authorities or other causes. Investors should note that the Treasury and the IRS recently announced that they are considering taxpayer requests for specific guidance on, among other things, whether a foreign person may be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States by virtue of entering into credit default swaps. However, the Treasury and the IRS have not yet provided any guidance on whether they believe entering into credit default swaps may cause a foreign person to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States and if so, what facts and circumstances must be present for this conclusion to apply. Any future guidance issued by the Treasury and/or the IRS may have an adverse impact on the tax treatment of the Issuer. See discussion under the heading “Income Tax Considerations—Tax Treatment of the Issuer” below.

*Tax Treatment of Holders of Equity.* The Issuer will be a passive foreign investment company and may also be a controlled foreign corporation. As a result, United States holders of Preference Shares or any class of Notes treated as equity for United States federal income tax purposes could be required to recognize income for tax purposes in excess of cash actually distributable to them (“phantom income”) in a variety of circumstances and



could be subject to certain other potentially adverse consequences. Each holder should consult its own tax advisor before investing.

#### *Certain ERISA Considerations*

If the ownership of the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares (or of any other class of equity interest of the Issuer, such as another class of Notes which may be characterized as equity) (the “**ERISA Equity Notes**”) by Benefit Plan Investors were to equal or exceed 25% of the value of the class of equity (as determined under Section 3(42) of ERISA and the Plan Asset Regulation issued by the United States Department of Labor at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101), resulting in the assets of the Issuer being deemed to be “plan assets,” certain transactions that the Issuer might enter into, or may have entered into, in the ordinary course of business might constitute non-exempt prohibited transactions under ERISA and/or Section 4975 of the Code and might have to be rescinded, at significant cost to the Issuer. Additionally, the Issuer or one or more “parties in interest” (as defined in Section 3(14) of ERISA) or “disqualified persons” (as defined in Section 4975(e)(2) of the Code) may be subject to other penalties or excise taxes with respect to such transaction. The term “**Benefit Plan Investor**” includes (a) an employee benefit plan (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) that is subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA, (b) a plan as defined in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code, (c) any entity whose underlying assets include “plan assets” by reason of any such employee benefit plan’s or plan’s investment in the entity or (d) as such term is otherwise modified from time to time.

The Issuer intends, through the use of written representations, to restrict ownership of the ERISA Equity Notes so that no assets of the Issuer will be deemed to be “plan assets” subject to ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code as such term is defined in the Plan Asset Regulation. Although the Issuer intends to restrict the acquisition of each class of ERISA Equity Notes, there can be no assurance that ownership of the ERISA Equity Notes by Benefit Plan Investors will always remain below the 25% Limitation established under the Plan Asset Regulation. See “Certain ERISA Considerations” herein.

#### **Relating to the Servicing Agreement**

##### *The Servicing Agreement May Be Amended Without the Consent of Holders of Securities Whether or Not Such Amendment Adversely Affects Holders of Securities*

The Issuer may, at the request of the Servicer, enter into an amendment or modification of the Servicing Agreement from time to time, without the consent of the Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not the interests of the Holders of the Securities are adversely affected thereby; *provided* that, with respect to any such amendment or modification, (a) the Rating Condition is satisfied and (b) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares have not objected in writing to such amendment or modification by delivering a notice to the Trustee prior to the relevant Objection Cut-Off Date. Holders of the Securities other than Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and Holders of the Preference Shares will have no ability to vote against any such amendment or modification. The ability of the Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and Holders of the Preference Shares to influence the amendment process is limited to the right of a Majority of either such Class to object as described above. To the extent that less than a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares object to the proposed amendment or modification, the Servicer may request that the Issuer enter into such amendment or modification and the Trustee consent thereto, without regard to the fact that certain Holders of the Securities may have objected to such proposed amendment or modification.

#### **Relating to the Servicer**

##### *The Issuer Will Depend on the Expertise Available to the Servicer and its Key Personnel*

The performance of the Issuer’s portfolio of Collateral Obligations depends heavily on the skills of the Servicer in analyzing, selecting and monitoring the Collateral Obligations. As a result, the Issuer will be highly dependent on the financial and servicing experience of certain professionals associated with the Servicer, none of whom is under a contractual obligation to the Issuer to continue to be associated with the Servicer for the term of this transaction. The loss of one or more of these individuals could have a material adverse effect on the performance of the Co-Issuers. Furthermore, the Servicer has informed the Issuer that these professionals are also actively involved in other activities and will not be able to devote all of their time to the Issuer’s business and affairs. In addition,

individuals not currently associated with the Servicer may become associated with the Servicer and the cash-flow performance of the Collateral Obligations may also depend on the financial and servicing experience of such individuals. See “The Servicing Agreement” and “The Servicer.”

*The Issuer Will Have Limited Control of the Administration and Amendment of Collateral Obligations*

The Servicer will cause the Issuer to exercise or enforce, or refrain from exercising or enforcing, its rights in connection with the Collateral Obligations or any related documents or will refuse amendments or waivers of the terms of any Collateral Obligation and related documents in accordance with its ordinary business practices as if the Servicer were administering the Collateral Obligations for its own account. The authority of the Servicer to cause the Issuer to change the terms of the Collateral Obligations will generally not be restricted by the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement. As a result, the Issuer will be relying on the Servicer’s customary standards, policies and procedures with respect to the servicing of the Collateral Obligations. The Holders of the Securities and the Issuer will not have any right to compel the Issuer or the Servicer to take or refrain from taking any actions other than in accordance with its ordinary business practices.

In addition, when the Issuer holds a Participation, the Issuer generally will have no right to enforce compliance by the borrower with the loan or credit agreement or other instrument evidencing the related loan obligation, no rights of set-off against the borrower, no direct interest in the collateral supporting the loan obligation, and no right to vote with respect to amendments of, or waivers of defaults under, the loan obligation. An acquisition by the Issuer of a Synthetic Security related to a Loan involves many of the same considerations relevant to Participations. See “—Relating to the Collateral Obligations—Loans Involve Particular Risks” and “—Synthetic Securities Involve Particular Risks” below.

A modification that would increase the commitment of a lender, reduce the interest rate, or postpone the final maturity of an obligation under a participation agreement, or release all of the collateral for an obligation, generally requires the affirmative vote of the Participating Institution for a loan in which the Issuer owns a Participation, or of the Issuer for a Loan purchased by assignment, for the increase, reduction, or postponement to be binding. The exercise of remedies may also be subject to the vote of a specified percentage of the lenders under the loan obligation. The Servicer will have the authority to cause the Issuer to consent to certain amendments, waivers, or modifications to the Collateral Obligations requested by obligors or the lead agents for participation agreements relating to Participations (subject to operating procedures intended to reduce the risk that the Issuer would be deemed to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States for United States federal income tax purposes). The Servicer may, subject to the transaction documents, cause the Issuer to extend or defer the maturity, adjust the outstanding balance of any Collateral Obligation, reduce or forgive interest or fees, release material collateral or guarantees, or otherwise amend, modify, or waive the terms of any related loan agreement, including its payment terms. The Servicer will make determinations in accordance with its servicing standards under the Servicing Agreement. Any amendment, waiver, or modification of a Collateral Obligation could postpone the expected maturity of the Notes or the expected redemption date of the Preference Shares, or reduce the likelihood of timely and complete payment of interest or principal under the Notes or a full return of an investment in the Preference Shares.

*Performance History of the Servicer May Not Be Indicative of Future Results*

Any prior results of the Servicer, and the persons associated with it or any other entity may not be indicative of the Issuer’s future results. The nature of, and risks associated with, the Issuer’s future assets may differ substantially from those assets historically associated with the Servicer, and the persons associated with it or any other entity. There can be no assurance that the Issuer’s assets will perform as well as the past assets serviced or managed by the Servicer, and the persons associated with it or any other entity. Moreover, since the criteria that govern the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations do not govern the Servicer’s activities generally, the acquisition and disposition of Collateral Obligations conducted in accordance with the criteria contained in the Indenture, and the results they yield, may differ substantially from other assets serviced or managed by the Servicer.

Other accounts, collateralized debt obligations or other funds managed or serviced by the Servicer that are similar to the Issuer (“**Other Debt Funds**”) have been structured to comply with the exemption from registration under the Investment Company Act provided by Section 3(c)(7) thereunder, whereas the Issuer is also structured to comply with the exemption from registration provided by Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act and may in

the future, subject to the conditions described herein, rely exclusively on such exemption from registration provided by Rule 3a-7. Rule 3a-7 requires certain additional limitations and restrictions on the buying and selling of assets of the Issuer that are not applicable to the assets of the Other Debt Funds relying on the Section 3(c)(7) exemption from registration. As a result, the Issuer's ability to react to changes in market value of the assets is more limited and the returns on the Issuer's assets and the Securities, including the returns on the Preference Shares, may not be comparable to, and may differ materially from, the performance of the Other Debt Funds.

Notwithstanding the inapplicability of the results obtained and expected to be obtained from the past activities of the Servicer, a period of increased volatility in market conditions, including interest rate environments, can have an adverse effect on the realized and unrealized returns to investors in the past products of the Servicer. There can be no assurance that current economic conditions and the effects of increased interest rate and corresponding price volatility will not adversely impact the investment returns ultimately realized by investors or continued compliance with, among other things, applicable coverage requirements described in this Offering Memorandum.

### **Relating to the Collateral Obligations**

#### *In General, the Collateral Obligations Are Subject to Various Risks*

The Collateral Obligations are subject to credit, liquidity, and interest rate risks, among others. The Eligibility Criteria and the Collateral Quality Tests have been established to address certain assumed deficiencies in payment occasioned by defaults with respect to the Collateral Obligations. If any deficiencies exceed certain modeled scenarios, however, payments or distributions on the Securities could be adversely affected. To the extent that a default occurs with respect to any Collateral Obligation securing the Notes and the Issuer (on the advice of the Servicer) sells or otherwise disposes of the Collateral Obligation, it is not likely that the proceeds of the sale or other disposition will be equal to the amount of principal and interest owing to the Issuer on the Collateral Obligation.

The value of the Collateral Obligations generally will fluctuate with, among other things, the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral Obligations and, with respect to Synthetic Securities, both the financial condition of the related Synthetic Security counterparties and the obligors on or issuers of the Reference Obligations, general economic conditions, the condition of certain financial markets, political events, developments or trends in any particular industry, and changes in prevailing interest rates. Credit markets have recently experienced sharp volatility due to various factors, including increased defaults on sub-prime mortgages and related securities. Such volatility has been accompanied by increased interest rates, a tightening of liquidity and declines in prices and valuations on various classes of assets, not all of which are exposed to the sub-prime mortgage market.

The ability of the Issuer to sell Collateral Obligations before their maturity is subject to certain restrictions under the Indenture including those described under "Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations."

#### *Below Investment-Grade Obligations Involve Particular Risks*

A substantial amount of the Collateral Obligations will consist of loans, bonds and other obligations that are below investment grade, including high-yield loans and securities. Those Collateral Obligations will have greater credit and liquidity risk than investment-grade obligations. They are also often unsecured and may be subordinated to certain other obligations of their issuer. The lower rating of those Collateral Obligations reflects a greater possibility that adverse changes in the financial condition of an issuer or in general economic conditions or both may impair the ability of their issuer to make payments of principal or interest. These Collateral Obligations may be speculative.

Risks of below investment-grade Collateral Obligations may include (among others):

- (i) limited liquidity and secondary market support;
- (ii) in the case of fixed-rate high-yield debt securities, substantial market place volatility resulting from changes in prevailing interest rates;
- (iii) subordination to the prior claims of senior lenders and creditors;

- (iv) the operation of mandatory sinking fund or call and redemption provisions during periods of declining interest rates that could cause the Issuer to apply premature redemption proceeds in lower-yielding debt obligations;
- (v) the possibility that earnings of the below investment-grade issuer may be insufficient to meet its debt service; and
- (vi) the declining creditworthiness and potential for insolvency of a below investment-grade issuer during periods of rising interest rates and economic downturn.

An economic downturn or an increase in interest rates could severely disrupt the market for below investment-grade obligations and could adversely affect the value of outstanding below investment-grade obligations and the ability of their issuers to repay principal and interest.

Issuers that are below investment grade may be highly leveraged and may not have available to them more traditional methods of financing. The risk associated with obligations of below investment-grade issuers is generally greater than is the case with investment-grade issuers. For example, during an economic downturn or a sustained period of rising interest rates, below investment-grade issuers may be more likely to experience financial stress, especially if they are highly leveraged. During those periods, timely service of debt obligations may also be adversely affected by specific issuer developments, or the issuer's inability to meet specific projected business forecasts or the unavailability of additional financing. The risk of loss from default by the issuer is significantly greater for the holders of below investment-grade obligations because those obligations may be unsecured and may be subordinated to obligations owed to other creditors of the issuer. Further, bankruptcy and similar laws applicable to issuers of the Collateral Obligations may limit the amount of any recovery in respect of a Collateral Obligation if its issuer is insolvent and may also adversely affect the timing of receipt of any recovery to which the Issuer may be entitled. In addition, the Issuer may incur additional expenses to the extent it is required to seek recovery upon a default on such an obligation or participate in its restructuring.

As a result of the limited liquidity of below investment-grade obligations, their prices have at times experienced significant and rapid decline when a substantial number of holders decided to sell. In addition, it may be difficult or impossible for the Issuer to dispose of certain below investment-grade obligations in a timely manner because there may be a thin trading market for them. Even if it is possible to dispose of such Collateral Obligations, it is unlikely that the proceeds of such disposition would equal the unpaid principal and interest thereof. To the extent that a secondary trading market for below investment-grade obligations does exist, it is generally not as liquid as the secondary market for highly rated obligations. Reduced secondary market liquidity may have an adverse impact on the Issuer's ability to dispose of particular Collateral Obligations in response to a specific economic event, such as a deterioration in the creditworthiness of the issuer of the Collateral Obligation.

All risks associated with the Issuer's purchase of such Collateral Obligations will be borne by the holders of the Securities in reverse order of seniority, beginning with the Preference Shares as the most junior Class.

#### *Limitations of Portfolio Diversification*

The Indenture will require that certain levels of diversification are maintained or improved in connection with purchases of Collateral Obligations. The Collateral Obligations are expected to consist primarily of below investment grade debt obligations. To the extent that below investment grade debt obligations as an asset class generally underperform or experience increased levels of credit losses or market volatility, the Collateral Obligations will likely experience credit losses and losses in connection with sales even with significant issuer and industry diversification. In addition, given the leveraged capital structure of the Issuer, any losses resulting from defaults and/or trading losses will be borne first by the Preference Shares, as the most junior Class. Because the value of the obligations of any single issuer or industry sector will represent a higher percentage of the issuance price, as the case may be, of the Preference Shares (or any other junior Class) than it represents in relation to the aggregate principal amount of the total portfolio, there can be no assurance that the diversification guidelines of the Indenture will be effective in minimizing losses on the junior Classes of Securities, particularly the Preference Shares.

*Loans Involve Particular Risks*

The Collateral Obligations will consist primarily of Dollar-denominated senior secured and senior unsecured loans, which are required by the Indenture to be obligations of corporations, partnerships, or other entities organized under the laws of the United States (or any of its states) or of foreign obligors meeting specified criteria, or Synthetic Securities the Reference Obligations of which are such loans. See “Security for the Notes—Collateral Obligations.”

Loans may become non-performing for a variety of reasons. Non-performing loans may require substantial workout negotiations or restructuring that may entail, among other things, a substantial reduction in the interest rate or a substantial write-down of the principal of a loan. In addition, because of the unique and customized nature of a loan agreement and the private syndication of a loan, loans typically may not be purchased or sold as easily as publicly traded securities, and historically the trading volume in the bank term loan market has been small relative to the corporate bond market. Loans may encounter trading delays due to their unique and customized nature, and transfers may require the consent of an agent bank or borrower. Consequently, there can be no assurance that there will be any market for any Loan if the Issuer is required to sell or otherwise dispose of such Loan. Depending on the terms of the underlying loan documentation, consent of the borrower may be required for an assignment, and a purported assignee may not have any direct right to enforce compliance by the obligor with the terms of the loan agreement in the absence of this consent.

The Issuer may acquire interests in loans either directly (by assignment) or indirectly (by Participation or through Synthetic Securities). The Issuer may not originate any loans. The purchaser of an assignment of a loan obligation typically succeeds to all the rights and obligations of the Participating Institution and becomes a lender under the loan or credit agreement with respect to the debt obligation. In contrast, a Participation acquired by the Issuer in a portion of a loan obligation held by a Participating Institution or a security or other debt obligation typically results in a contractual relationship only with the Participating Institution, not with the borrower. The Issuer would have the right to receive payments of principal, interest, and any fees to which it is entitled under a Participation only from the Participating Institution and only upon receipt by the Participating Institution of those payments from the borrower. Participating Institutions commonly reserve the right to administer the Participations sold by them as they see fit (unless their actions constitute gross negligence or willful misconduct) and to amend the documentation evidencing the obligations in all respects. However, most participation agreements provide that the Participating Institutions may not vote in favor of any amendment, modification or waiver that forgives principal, interest or fees, reduces principal, interest or fees that are payable, postpones any payment of principal (whether a scheduled payment or a mandatory prepayment), interest or fees or releases any material guarantee or security without the consent of the participant (at least to the extent the participant would be affected by any such amendment, modification or waiver). Participating Institutions voting in connection with a potential waiver of a restrictive covenant may have interests different from those of the Issuer, and such Participating Institutions might not consider the interests of the Issuer in connection with their votes. In addition, many participation agreements that provide voting rights to the holder of the Participation further provide that if the holder does not vote in favor of amendments, modifications or waivers, the selling lender may repurchase such Participation at par. The Issuer will be subject to restrictions on the amount of Participations that may be acquired for inclusion in the Collateral. See “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.”

Holders of Participations are subject to additional risks not applicable to a holder of a direct interest in a loan. In the event of the insolvency of the Participating Institution, under the laws of the United States and the various States thereof, a holder of a Participation may be treated as a general creditor of the Participating Institution and may not have any exclusive or senior claim with respect to the Participating Institution’s interest in, or the collateral with respect to, the loan. Consequently, the holder of a Participation will be subject to the credit risk of the Participating Institution as well as of the borrower. Participants also often do not benefit from the collateral (if any) supporting the loans in which they have a participation interest because Participations often do not provide a purchaser with direct rights to enforce compliance by the borrower with the terms of the loan agreement or any rights of set-off against the borrower. The Servicer is not required, and does not expect, to perform independent credit analyses of the Participating Institutions.

Certain of the loans in the Issuer’s portfolio may be unsecured or secured by collateral worth less than the outstanding balance of the loan. In addition to the general risks associated with loans described above, unsecured loans will not be secured by substantial collateral or any collateral and secured loans may be substantially



under-secured. Without collateral and with materially inadequate collateral, the ability of the holder of the loan to recover amounts due from the borrower may be substantially limited.

*Subordinated Lien Loans and Second Lien Loans Contain Terms That May Expose Noteholders to Risk of Losses on such Loans.*

Some of the loans will be subject to subordination agreements with senior lenders, pursuant to which the Issuer's right to payment will be subordinated to the senior lender's right to payment, the Issuer's interest in any specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the loan will be subordinated to liens held by the senior lender (certain subordinated loans will be unsecured) and the ability of the Issuer to exercise remedies after a loan becomes a Defaulted Collateral Obligation will be subject to various standstill provisions. In addition, certain of the loans may contain provisions requiring the liens securing the Issuer's interests in the Collateral to be released in certain circumstances. Under such subordination agreements, the Issuer generally may not receive payments of principal on a loan until the applicable senior loan is paid in full and generally may receive payments of interest only if there is no default under the senior loan. Additionally, if a loan becomes a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, the Issuer generally would be prohibited from taking any action to enforce its rights with regard to the loan, including the foreclosure of any specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the loan, for a period of time, typically 180 days. In certain cases, the Issuer would be prohibited from taking any action to foreclose upon such collateral until the senior loan is paid in full. Moreover, any amounts that would be realized upon foreclosure of any of such collateral or other collection efforts or in connection with a bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding involving an obligor generally will be required to be turned over to the senior lender until the senior lender has realized the full value of its claims. Such restrictions may materially and adversely affect the ability of the Issuer to realize value from a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

A portion of the loans will consist of Second Lien Loans. Second Lien Loans contain provisions that subordinate the payment obligations of the obligor and the liens on the specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the loan on the Issuer's portion of such loans to the portion of such loans or the liens, as the case may be, held by the other lenders party to such loans upon the occurrence of a payment default under the related loan documents or in the case of any liquidation or foreclosure on the related underlying collateral. In any of the foregoing circumstances, the Issuer would receive payments on such Second Lien Loan only after the other lenders to the related obligor that are ranked senior to such Second Lien Loan are paid in full. Such subordinated payment provisions may materially and adversely affect the ability of the Issuer to realize value from a Second Lien Loan.

*Risks Associated with Applying Proceeds of Dispositions*

The Issuer's income will decline if and when the Issuer applies the proceeds from matured, prepaid, sold or called Collateral Obligations into lower yielding instruments. A decline in income will affect the amount available for distributions on the Securities. Subject to criteria described herein, the Servicer will have discretion to use Principal Proceeds to purchase Collateral Obligations in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria and other requirements for the acquisition of Collateral Obligations described herein. The yield with respect to such Collateral Obligations will depend on, among other factors, interest rates available at the time, the availability of assets satisfying the Eligibility Criteria and acceptable to the Servicer, and market conditions related to leveraged Loans and high yield bonds in general. The need to satisfy the Eligibility Criteria and other requirements for the acquisition of Collateral Obligations described herein and identify acceptable assets may require the purchase of Collateral Obligations with a lower yield than those replaced, with different characteristics than those replaced (including, but not limited to, coupon, spread, maturity, call features and/or credit quality) or require that such funds be maintained in Eligible Investments pending such replacement of Collateral Obligations, which will further reduce the yield on the Collateral Obligations. Any decrease in the yield on the Collateral Obligations will have the effect of reducing the amounts available to make distributions on the Securities, especially the most junior Class of Securities. There can be no assurance that in the event Collateral Obligations are sold, prepaid, called, or mature, yields on Collateral Obligations that are available and eligible for purchase will be at the same levels as those replaced, that the characteristics of any Collateral Obligations purchased will be the same as those replaced or as to the timing of the purchase of any such Collateral Obligations.

Leveraged Loans and privately placed high yield bonds are not as easily (or as quickly) purchased or sold as publicly traded securities for a variety of reasons, including confidentiality requirements with respect to obligor information, the customized non-uniform nature of loan agreements and private syndication. The reduced liquidity

and lower volume of trading in such debt obligations, in addition to restrictions on purchase represented by the Eligibility Criteria, could result in periods of time during which the Issuer is not able to fully apply its cash to purchase Collateral Obligations. The longer the period before the application of cash to purchase Collateral Obligations, the greater the adverse impact will be on aggregate Interest Proceeds collected and distributed by the Issuer, including on the Securities, especially the most junior Class of Securities, thereby resulting in lower yields than could have been obtained if proceeds were immediately applied. In addition, leveraged Loans are often prepayable by the borrowers with no, or limited, penalty or premium. As a result, leveraged Loans generally prepay more frequently than other corporate obligations of the same borrower. Senior leveraged Loans usually have shorter terms than more junior obligations and often require mandatory repayments from excess cash flow, asset dispositions and offerings of debt and/or equity securities. The increased levels of prepayments and amortization of leveraged Loans increase the associated replacement risk on the Collateral Obligations which risk will first be borne by holders of the Securities, beginning with the Preference Shares as the most junior Class.

#### *Defaults and Market Volatility*

To the extent that a default occurs with respect to any Collateral Obligation and the Issuer sells or otherwise disposes of that Collateral Obligation, it is likely that the proceeds will be less than its unpaid principal, interest or its purchase price. This could have a material adverse effect on the payments on the Securities. The Issuer also may incur additional expenses to the extent it is required to seek recovery after a default or participate in the restructuring of an obligation. Even in the absence of a default with respect to any of the Collateral Obligations, the market value of the Collateral Obligation at any time will vary, and may vary substantially, from the price at which that Collateral Obligation was initially purchased and from the principal amount of such Collateral Obligation, due to market volatility, changes in relative credit quality, general economic conditions, the level of interest rates, changes in exchange rates, the supply of below investment grade debt obligations and other factors that are difficult to predict. In addition, the Indenture places significant restrictions on the Servicer's ability to buy and sell Collateral Obligations which restrictions may be greater if amendments are made to assure compliance with Rule 3a-7. See "—The Servicer May Cause the Issuer to Amend the Indenture to Assure Compliance with Rule 3a-7 Without the Consent of the Holders of the Securities in a Manner that May Adversely Affect the Holders of Securities".

The market price of below investment grade debt obligations may from time to time experience significant volatility. During certain periods, this market has experienced significant volatility with respect to market prices, a significant increase in issues trading at distressed levels, a significant increase in default rates, and a significant decrease in recovery rates. No assurance can be given that volatility in the below investment grade debt market will not continue in the future. Such volatility can adversely impact the liquidity, market prices and other performance characteristics of leveraged Loans and high yield bonds.

#### *Structured Finance Obligations Involve Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of Structured Finance Obligations. Structured Finance Obligations may present risks similar to those of the other types of Collateral Obligations which the Issuer may purchase and, in fact, the risks may be of greater significance in the case of Structured Finance Obligations. Moreover, purchasing Structured Finance Obligations may entail a variety of unique risks. Among other risks, Structured Finance Obligations may be subject to prepayment risk, credit risk, liquidity risk, market risk, structural risk, legal risk and interest rate risk (which may be exacerbated if the interest rate payable on a Structured Finance Obligation changes based on multiples of changes in interest rates or inversely to changes in interest rates). In addition, certain Structured Finance Obligations (particularly subordinated collateralized bond obligations) may provide that non-payment of interest is not an event of default in certain circumstances and the holders of the securities will therefore not have available to them any associated default remedies. During the period of non-payment, unpaid interest will generally be capitalized and added to the outstanding principal balance of the related security. Furthermore, the performance of a Structured Finance Obligation will be affected by a variety of factors, including its priority in the capital structure of its issuer, the availability of any credit enhancement, the level and timing of payments and recoveries on and the characteristics of the underlying receivables, loans, or other assets that are being securitized, bankruptcy remoteness of those assets from the originator or transferor, the adequacy of and ability to realize on any related collateral, and the skill of the manager or the servicer of the Structured Finance Obligation in managing or servicing securitized assets. The price of a Structured Finance Obligation, if required to be sold, may be subject to certain market and liquidity risks for securities of its type at the time of sale. In addition,

Structured Finance Obligations may involve initial and ongoing expenses above the costs associated with the related direct purchases.

*Synthetic Securities Involve Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of Synthetic Securities the Reference Obligations of which are Loans, Structured Finance Obligations or High-Yield Bonds. Acquiring these types of assets through the purchase of Synthetic Securities present risks in addition to those inherently associated with direct purchases of such assets. With respect to Synthetic Securities, the Issuer will usually have a contractual relationship only with the counterparty of the Synthetic Security, and not the reference obligor on the Reference Obligation. The Issuer will have no right to enforce compliance by the reference obligor with the Reference Obligation nor any rights of set-off against the reference obligor, nor have any voting or other consensual rights of ownership with respect to the Reference Obligation. The Issuer will not directly benefit from any collateral supporting the Reference Obligation and will not have the benefit of the remedies that would normally be available to a holder of the Reference Obligation.

In addition, in the event of the insolvency of the Synthetic Security Counterparty, the Issuer will be treated as a general creditor of the counterparty and will not have any claim of title with respect to the Reference Obligation. Consequently, the Issuer will be subject to the credit risk of the counterparty as well as that of the reference obligor and concentrations of Synthetic Securities entered into with any one counterparty will subject the Securities to an additional degree of risk with respect to defaults by that counterparty. One or more Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser may act as counterparty with respect to all or a portion of the Synthetic Securities, which relationship may create certain conflicts of interest. See “—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Initial Purchaser” below. In addition, Synthetic Securities may involve initial and ongoing expenses above the costs associated with the related direct acquisitions. The Issuer will be subject to restrictions on the amount of Synthetic Securities it may own at any one time.

*Some of the Collateral Obligations Will Be Illiquid*

Some of the Collateral Obligations purchased by the Issuer will have no, or only a limited, trading market. The Issuer’s acquisition of illiquid Collateral Obligations may restrict its ability to dispose of Collateral Obligations in a timely fashion and for a fair price, as well as its ability to take advantage of market opportunities, although the Issuer is generally prohibited by the Indenture from selling Collateral Obligations except under certain limited circumstances described under “Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations.” Illiquid Collateral Obligations may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid assets. The market for below investment grade debt obligations may become illiquid from time to time as a result of adverse market conditions, regulatory developments or other circumstances. In addition, the Issuer may purchase privately placed Collateral Obligations that may or may not be freely transferable under the laws of the applicable jurisdiction or due to contractual restrictions on resale, and even if those privately placed Collateral Obligations are transferable, the prices realized from their sale could be less than those originally paid by the Issuer or less than what may be considered their fair value.

*Insolvency Considerations With Respect to Issuers of Collateral Obligations May Affect the Issuer’s Rights*

Various laws enacted for the protection of creditors may apply to the Collateral Obligations. If, in a lawsuit brought by a creditor or representative of creditors of an obligor under a Collateral Obligation (such as a trustee in bankruptcy), a court were to find that the obligor did not receive fair consideration or reasonably equivalent value for incurring the indebtedness evidenced by the Collateral Obligation and, after giving effect to the indebtedness and the use of the proceeds thereof, the obligor (i) was insolvent, (ii) was engaged in a business for which the remaining assets of the obligor constituted unreasonably small capital or (iii) intended to incur, or believed that it would incur, debts beyond its ability to pay them as they mature, the court could determine to invalidate, in whole or in part, the indebtedness as a fraudulent conveyance, to subordinate the indebtedness to existing or future creditors of the obligor, or to recover amounts previously paid by the obligor in satisfaction of the indebtedness. There can be no assurance as to what standard a court would apply to determine whether the obligor was “insolvent” or that, regardless of the method of valuation, a court would not determine that the obligor was “insolvent,” in each case, after giving effect to the incurrence of the Collateral Obligation and the use of its proceeds. In addition, in the event of the insolvency of an obligor under a Collateral Obligation, payments made on the Collateral Obligation may be



subject to avoidance as a “preference” if made within a certain period before insolvency (which may be as long as approximately one year).

In general, if payments on a Collateral Obligation are avoidable, whether as fraudulent conveyances or preferences, the payments can be recaptured either from the initial recipient (such as the Issuer) or from subsequent transferees of the payments (such as the Holders of the Securities). To the extent that any payments are recaptured from the Issuer, the resulting reduction in payments on the Securities will be borne by the Holders of the Securities beginning with the Preference Shares as the most junior Class of Securities. A court in a bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding would be able to direct the recapture of any payment from a Holder of the Securities to the extent that the court has jurisdiction over the Holder or its assets. Since there is no judicial precedent relating to structured securities such as the Securities, there can be no assurance that a Holder of Securities will be able to avoid recapture on this basis.

The preceding discussion is based on principles of United States federal and state laws. Insofar as Collateral Obligations that are obligations of non-United States obligors are concerned, the laws of certain foreign jurisdictions may provide for avoidance remedies under factual circumstances similar to, or broader or narrower than, those described above, with consequences that may or may not be analogous to those described above under United States federal and state laws.

Collateral Obligations consisting of obligations of non-U.S. issuers may be subject to various laws enacted in their home countries for the protection of debtors or creditors, which could adversely affect the Issuer’s ability to recover amounts owed. These insolvency considerations will differ depending on the country in which each issuer is located and may differ depending on whether the issuer is a non-sovereign or a sovereign entity.

#### *International Collateral Obligations Involve Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of obligations of obligors Domiciled outside the United States. Acquiring assets outside the United States may involve greater risks than acquiring assets in the United States. These risks may include: less publicly available information; varying levels of governmental regulation and supervision; and the difficulty of enforcing legal rights in a foreign jurisdiction and uncertainties as to the status, interpretation and application of laws. Moreover, foreign companies may be subject to accounting, auditing, and financial reporting standards, practices, and requirements different from those applicable to U.S. companies.

There generally is less governmental supervision and regulation of exchanges, brokers and issuers in foreign countries than there is in the United States. For example, there may be no comparable provisions under certain foreign laws with respect to insider trading and similar investor protection securities laws that apply with respect to securities transactions consummated in the United States.

Foreign markets also have different clearance and settlement procedures, and in certain markets there have been times when settlements have failed to keep pace with the volume of securities transactions, making it difficult to conduct transactions. Delays in settlement could result in periods when assets of the Issuer are unapplied and no return is earned on them. The inability of the Issuer to make intended purchases of Collateral Obligations due to settlement problems or the risk of intermediary counterparty failures could cause the Issuer to miss opportunities to acquire Collateral Obligations. The inability to dispose of a Collateral Obligation due to settlement problems could result either in losses to the Issuer due to subsequent declines in the value of the Collateral Obligation or, if the Issuer has entered into a contract to sell the security, could result in possible liability to the purchaser. Transaction costs of buying and selling foreign securities, including brokerage, tax, and custody costs, also are generally higher than those involved in domestic transactions. Furthermore, foreign financial markets, while generally growing in volume, have, for the most part, substantially less volume than U.S. markets, and securities of many foreign companies are less liquid and their prices more volatile than securities of comparable domestic companies.

In certain foreign countries there is the possibility of expropriation, nationalization, or confiscatory taxation; limitations on the convertibility of currency or the removal of securities, property, or other assets of the Issuer; political, economic, or social instability; or adverse diplomatic developments, each of which could have an adverse effect on the Issuer’s purchase of Collateral Obligations in the foreign countries (which may make it more difficult to pay Dollar-denominated obligations such as the Collateral Obligations). The economies of individual non-U.S. countries may also differ favorably or unfavorably from the U.S. economy in such respects as growth of gross

domestic product, rate of inflation, volatility of currency exchange rates, depreciation, capital reinvestment, resource self-sufficiency and balance of payments position.

*Lender Liability Considerations and Equitable Subordination Can Affect the Issuer's Rights with Respect to Collateral Obligations*

In recent years, a number of judicial decisions in the United States have upheld the right of borrowers to sue lenders and bondholders on the basis of various evolving legal theories (collectively termed “**lender liability**”). Generally, lender liability is founded on the premise that a lender has violated a duty (whether implied or contractual) of good faith and fair dealing owed to the debtor or has assumed a degree of control over the debtor resulting in the creation of a fiduciary duty owed to the debtor or its other creditors or shareholders. Because of the nature of the Collateral Obligations, the Issuer may be subject to allegations of lender liability. In addition, under common law principles that in some cases form the basis for lender liability claims, a court may elect to subordinate the claim of the offending lender to the claims of the disadvantaged creditors, a remedy called “equitable subordination,” if a lender: (i) intentionally takes an action that results in the undercapitalization of a borrower to the detriment of other creditors of the borrower; (ii) engages in other inequitable conduct to the detriment of the other creditors; (iii) engages in fraud with respect to, or makes misrepresentations to, the other creditors; or (iv) uses its influence as a lender to dominate or control a borrower to the detriment of other creditors of the borrower.

Because the Collateral Obligations are primarily Loans, the Issuer may be subject to claims from creditors of an obligor that Collateral Obligations issued by the obligor that are held by the Issuer should be equitably subordinated. However, the Servicer does not intend to engage in conduct that would form the basis for a successful cause of action based on lender liability or the equitable subordination doctrine. Nonetheless, no assurances can be given that actions taken in good faith by the Servicer will not result in losses to issuers of Collateral Obligations, and that the Issuer will not be liable for any such losses. Furthermore, the Issuer and the Servicer may be unable to control the conduct of lenders under a loan syndication agreement requiring less than a unanimous vote, yet the Issuer may be subject to lender liability or equitable subordination for such conduct.

The preceding discussion is based on principles of United States federal and state laws. Insofar as Collateral Obligations that are obligations of non-United States obligors are concerned, the laws of certain foreign jurisdictions may impose liability on lenders or bondholders under factual circumstances similar to, or broader or narrower than, those described above, with consequences that may or may not be analogous to those described above under United States federal and state laws.

*Notes May Be Affected by Interest Rate Risks, Including Mismatches Between the Notes and the Collateral Obligations*

The Notes bear interest at a rate based on LIBOR as determined on the second Business Day prior to the first day of the relevant Interest Period. The Collateral Obligations will consist primarily of obligations that bear interest at floating rates, which floating rates may be different than the floating rates on the Floating Rate Notes. Accordingly, the Notes are subject to interest rate risk to the extent that there is an interest rate mismatch between the rates at which interest accrues on the Notes and the rates at which interest accrues on the Collateral. In addition, there may be a timing mismatch between the Floating Rate Notes and the Floating Rate Obligations as the interest on the Floating Rate Obligations may adjust more or less frequently, on different dates and based on different indices than the interest rates on the Floating Rate Notes. Furthermore, any payments of principal of or interest on Collateral received during a Due Period will (except to a limited extent specified in the Indenture) be held in Eligible Investments maturing not later than the Business Day immediately preceding the next Payment Date. There is no requirement that Eligible Investments bear interest at LIBOR or a similar rate, and the interest rates available for Eligible Investments are inherently uncertain. As a result of these mismatches, an increase or decrease in LIBOR for the relevant maturity could adversely affect the ability of the Issuer to make interest payments on the Notes (including due to a rise or a decline in the value of previously issued Collateral Obligations or other Collateral that bear interest at a fixed rate as LIBOR decreases or increases, as applicable) and to make distributions or final distributions on the Preference Shares. To mitigate a portion of the interest rate mismatch, the Issuer may enter into Hedge Agreements that are (in the case of Hedge Agreements entered into on or after the Closing Date) subject to a Rating Confirmation. However, there can be no assurance that the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, together with the Hedge Agreements, will in all circumstances generate sufficient Interest Proceeds to make timely payments of interest on the Notes. Moreover, the benefits of any Hedge Agreements may not be achieved in the

event of the early termination of the Hedge Agreements, including termination upon the failure of the related Hedge Counterparty to perform its obligations under the Hedge Agreement. Although any Hedge Counterparty will be a highly rated institution at the time of entering into the applicable Hedge Agreement, there can be no assurance that it will meet its obligations under the applicable Hedge Agreement. In addition, the actual principal balance of any rate mismatch between the Collateral Obligations and the Notes may not exactly match the notional balance under any Hedge Agreement. All risks associated with any rate or notional balance mismatch will be borne by the holders of the Securities, beginning with the Preference Shares as the most junior Class. See “Security for the Notes—Hedge Agreements.”

The Servicer may direct the Issuer to reduce the notional amount of, or otherwise adjust the terms of, any Hedge Agreement outstanding at any time, subject, in the case of any reduction or adjustment made on or after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, to obtaining a Rating Confirmation.

*The Issuer Has the Right to Engage in Securities Lending, which Involves Counterparty Risks and Other Risks*

The Collateral Obligations may be loaned for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) that have, or are guaranteed by entities that have, long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or a guarantor with those ratings at the time of the loan, of at least “A1” (and not “A1” but on credit watch with negative implications) and “P 1” (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody’s and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least “A” from S&P. See “Security for the Notes—Securities Lending.” The loans must be secured by cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America, in an amount at least equal to 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value of the loaned Collateral Obligations, determined on a daily basis. However, if the borrower of a loaned Collateral Obligation defaults on its obligation to return the loaned Collateral Obligation because of insolvency or otherwise, the Issuer could experience delays and costs in gaining access to the collateral posted by the borrower (and in extreme circumstances could be restricted from selling the collateral). If the borrower defaults, the Issuer could suffer a loss to the extent that the realized value of the cash or securities securing the obligation of the borrower to return a loaned Collateral Obligation (less expenses) is less than the amount required to purchase the Collateral Obligation in the open market. This shortfall could be due to, among other factors, discrepancies between the mark-to-market and actual transaction prices for the loaned Collateral Obligations arising from limited liquidity or availability of the loaned Collateral Obligations and, in extreme circumstances, the loaned Collateral Obligations being unavailable at any price.

The Rating Agencies may downgrade any of the Notes if a borrower of a Collateral Obligation or, if applicable, the entity guaranteeing the performance of the borrower has been downgraded by one of the Rating Agencies such that the Issuer is not in compliance with the Securities Lending Counterparty rating requirements. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser or Affiliates of the Servicer, which may create certain conflicts of interest. See “—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer” and “—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Initial Purchaser” below.

*A Substantial Amount of Collateral Obligations Was Acquired Before the Closing Date, and the Terms of the Acquisition May Adversely Affect the Issuer*

In anticipation of the issuance of the Securities, the Pre-Closing Parties are financing the acquisition of Collateral Obligations by the Issuer during an accumulation period before the Closing Date (the “**Accumulation Period**”) pursuant to a credit agreement. On the Closing Date, the funds advanced by each Pre-Closing Party will be repaid by the Issuer with proceeds of the offering to the extent not yet prepaid prior thereto. In exchange for bearing the risk of loss on the Collateral Obligations acquired prior to the Closing Date, the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates will each be entitled to a share of the interest and any fees and commissions (net of any interest and other amounts payable to the Pre-Closing Parties on funds advanced by them to finance the acquisition of Collateral Obligations) paid by the obligors under such Collateral Obligations or accrued on such Collateral Obligations, from the time of purchase to the Closing Date, plus a share of the amount by which any realized net gains exceed any realized net losses on Collateral Obligations sold or fully repaid during the Accumulation Period, in each case, in proportion to the percentage of Preference Shares each such party purchases on the Closing Date. There can be no assurance that the market value of any such Collateral Obligation on the Closing Date will be equal to or greater than the price paid by the Issuer during the Accumulation Period, and any net losses, and, except to the extent

described above, net gains, experienced in respect of any such Collateral Obligation during the period in which they were warehoused will be for the Issuer's account.

A portion of the portfolio of the Collateral Obligations acquired by the Issuer during the Accumulation Period were purchased from funds serviced or managed by the Servicer or its Affiliates. The prices at which the Collateral Obligations were conveyed from such funds serviced or managed by the Servicer or its Affiliates to the Issuer were determined by the Servicer primarily by reference to the average of bid and ask prices with respect to such Collateral Obligations from third party pricing services.

### **Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest**

#### *In General, the Transaction Will Involve Various Potential and Actual Conflicts of Interest*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise from the overall servicing, advisory and other activities of the Servicer and its Affiliates and from the conduct by the Initial Purchaser and their respective Affiliates of other transactions with the Issuer, including acting as counterparty with respect to Hedge Agreements, Securities Lending Agreements, and Synthetic Securities. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

#### *The Holders of the Class II Preference Shares Control Appointment and Removal of Directors of the Issuer*

The Approved Class II Preference Shareholders are expected to purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares on the Closing Date. Class II Preference Shares will control the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer as long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is higher than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date. The Class I Preference Shares will have no voting rights with respect to the appointment or removal of directors. If the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date does not exceed the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date, the Issuer Ordinary Shares will be entitled to vote with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer. As of the Closing Date, the Class II Preference Shares Outstanding will constitute a Majority of the Preference Shares Outstanding. Any transfer of a Class II Preference Share by an Approved Class II Preference Shareholder to any Person other than any Approved Class II Preference Shareholder will, subject to the terms of the Issuer Charter, be converted into a Class I Preference Share, which shall be effected by a redemption by the Issuer of the applicable Class II Preference Share and an issue of a Class I Preference Share. If at any time, due to such conversion upon sale of any Class II Preference Shares by any Approved Class II Preference Shareholder, the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding is reduced so that it is equal to or lower than the number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding, Class II Preference Shares will automatically become non-voting shares and will no longer be entitled to vote with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer (and, in such case, the directors will be appointed and removed by resolution of the holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares).

As long as Class II Preference Shares retain the voting rights with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer, the Approved Class II Preference Shareholders that have purchased such Class II Preference Shares will be able to appoint and remove any of the directors. The directors appointed by the Approved Class II Preference Shareholders may be Affiliates of such Approved Class II Preference Shareholders. No Holders of the Securities will have any right to vote with respect to such appointments and removals of directors of the Issuer other than the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares for as long as Class II Preference Shares retain the voting rights with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer.

#### *The Holders of the Class II Preference Shares May Control or Prevent Removal of the Servicer, Appointment of a Replacement Servicer and Optional Redemption or Refinancing of the Notes*

The Class II Preference Shares to be purchased by Approved Class II Preference Shareholders at closing are expected to constitute a Majority of the Preference Shares. As long as the Approved Class II Preference Shareholders hold a Majority of the Preference Shares, HFP and such subsidiaries will hold the controlling vote on any decision to be made under the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement that requires a Majority of the Preference Shares (and does not exclude from voting Preference Shares held by the Servicer or its Affiliates) and will hold a blocking position with respect to any decision that requires a higher percentage of Preference Shares.



Pursuant to the Servicing Agreement, such agreement may be terminated and the Servicer may be removed by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee (acting at the direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes) or by a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by the Servicer, any of its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority other than, with respect to the Class II Preference Shares, HFP or any of its subsidiaries; *provided* that, with respect to the voting authority of the Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the “independent directors” (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Trustee or the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, by any of the “independent directors” of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) (each such non-excluded Preference Share, a “**Voting Preference Share**”), in each case for “cause” upon 10 days’ prior written notice. Further, the Issuer’s ability to appoint a successor servicer is subject to, among other things, the written direction of a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares. As such, if the Class II Preference Shares continue to constitute a Majority of Preference Shares, HFP and any of its subsidiaries that hold Class II Preference Shares will collectively control the ability of the Holders of the Preference Shares to both remove the Servicer for “cause” and appoint the Servicer’s replacement. Since HFP is managed by the Servicer, HFP may have a conflict of interest and may be less likely to exercise these rights than the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares. In such case, should the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares believe that “cause” exists to remove the Servicer, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may prevent their ability to do so.

The Holders of a Majority of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares may give written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Servicer directing an optional redemption of the Notes upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period. After such Notes are retired, the Holders of a Majority of or all of the Preference Shares (depending on the form of redemption) may request an optional redemption of the Preference Shares. As a result of the foregoing, and so long as they hold a controlling block of Preference Shares, the vote of the Approved Class II Preference Shareholders will be required to redeem the Securities. As an entity managed by the Servicer, HFP may once again have interests that differ from those of the Class I Preference Shares. Should the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares seek to redeem the Securities, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may prevent their ability to do so.

In addition, at any time after the Non-Call Period, upon a proposal by the Servicer, the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares may consent to a redemption of any Class of Notes pursuant to a Refinancing. As a result of the foregoing, and so long as they hold a controlling block of Preference Shares, the vote of the Approved Class II Preference Shareholders will be required for such Refinancing. If the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares seek a redemption of Notes pursuant to Refinancing, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares could prevent their ability to achieve this.

*The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise from the overall activities of the Servicer, its Affiliates and the subsidiaries of HFP. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

On the Closing Date, (i) the Approved Class II Preference Shareholders are expected to purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares directly from the Issuer at a discounted purchase price and all or a portion of the Class E Notes and Class D Notes at a discounted purchase price and may purchase a portion of the Class C Notes at a discounted purchase price and (ii) the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates is expected to purchase all or a portion of the Class I Preference Shares directly from the Issuer at a discounted purchase price. The Initial Purchaser will not be acting as Initial Purchaser with respect to the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares. On the Closing Date, the Servicer will be reimbursed by the Issuer for certain of its expenses incurred in connection with the organization of the Issuer (including legal fees and expenses). In addition, a broker-dealer Affiliate of the Servicer may receive a fee for placing certain of the Securities.

Conflicts of interest may arise for the Servicer with respect to its obligations to the Issuer from the overall activities of the Servicer, its Affiliates and the subsidiaries of HFP, for the accounts of its other clients. For example, the Servicer, its Affiliates and their respective clients and the subsidiaries of HFP may acquire loans, securities, and other obligations that would be appropriate for inclusion in the Issuer’s portfolio of Collateral Obligations, as well as in loans, securities, and other obligations that are senior to, or have interests different from or

adverse to, assets that are pledged to secure the Notes. Furthermore, Affiliates of the Servicer may serve as general partners or managers of special-purpose entities organized to issue other collateralized loan obligations (“CLOs”) secured primarily by corporate loans and collateralized debt obligations (“CDOs”) secured by corporate debt obligations or asset backed securities. The Servicer and its Affiliates may also have ongoing relationships with, render services to, or engage in transactions with, companies whose loan obligations or securities are pledged to secure the Notes and may now or in the future own (as portfolio assets or otherwise) loan obligations or equity or debt securities issued by issuers of or obligors on, Collateral Obligations or other Collateral. An Affiliate of the Servicer may earn fees with respect to financial advisory services rendered to companies in connection with workouts or the subsequent restructuring of such companies. Such fees and advice may continue for a period of time after any such workout or restructure. The Issuer may own an interest in the securities of such companies. The Servicer will endeavor to resolve conflicts with respect to opportunities in a manner that it deems equitable to the extent possible under the prevailing facts and circumstances.

The Servicer and its Affiliates may possess information relating to issuers of Collateral Obligations or other Collateral that (i) may constrain the Issuer’s asset acquisition as a consequence of the Servicer’s inability to use such information for asset acquisition purposes or otherwise to take actions that would be in the best of interests of the Issuer or (ii) is not known to the employees of the Servicer responsible for monitoring the Collateral and performing the other obligations of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement. The Servicer, its Affiliates and their respective clients and the subsidiaries of HFP may at certain times be simultaneously seeking to purchase or dispose of assets for the respective accounts of the Issuer, any similar entity for which it serves as servicer, manager or advisor, and for its clients or Affiliates.

Neither the Servicer nor any of its Affiliates has any affirmative obligation to offer any assets to the Issuer or to inform the Issuer of any assets before offering any assets to other funds or accounts that the Servicer or any of its Affiliates manage or service. Furthermore, the Servicer may be bound by affirmative obligations in the future, whereby the Servicer is obligated to offer certain assets to funds or accounts that it manages or services before or without the Servicer offering those assets to the Issuer.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Servicer such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Servicer, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm’s length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the United States Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended (the “**Advisers Act**”). The Servicing Agreement also provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Servicer, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm’s length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Advisers Act.

The Servicer currently serves as the servicer or portfolio manager for a number of special purpose vehicles that have issued securities secured by or referencing collateral consisting of assets similar to the Collateral Obligations, which may create conflicts in allocating its time and services among the Issuer and the Servicer’s other accounts. The Servicer and its Affiliates and the subsidiaries of HFP may own equity or other securities of issuers of or obligors on Collateral Obligations or other Collateral and may have provided and may provide in the future, advisory and other services to issuers of Collateral. In addition, the Servicer and its Affiliates may act as the Securities Lending Counterparty under any Securities Lending Agreement entered into by the Issuer.

The Servicer may resign at any time and may be removed for cause by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee (acting at the direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes) or by a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares. Upon the resignation or removal of the Servicer, the Issuer, at the written direction of a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares, may appoint a replacement servicer if (x) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes held by the Servicer, its Affiliates or any account over which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries; *provided that*, with respect to

the voting authority of Notes owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the “independent directors” (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Trustee by any of the “independent directors” of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) (each such non-excluded Note, a “**Voting Note**”) or (y) a Majority of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single Class) do not object to the replacement servicer. See “The Servicing Agreement.” Securities held by the Servicer, its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries) will have no voting rights with respect to any vote in connection with removal of the Servicer for “cause” and appointment of a replacement servicer and will be deemed not to be outstanding in connection with any vote to remove the Servicer for “cause” and to appoint a replacement servicer; *provided* that, with respect to the voting authority of Class II Preference Shares or Notes owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall be determined by a vote of the majority of the “independent directors” (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiary) of HFP or such subsidiary. Except to the extent specified otherwise, Securities held by the Servicer, its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority at the time of such vote will have voting rights with respect to all other matters as to which the Holders of the Securities are entitled to vote, including any vote to direct an Optional Redemption or a Refinancing. See “The Servicing Agreement”, “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption” and “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Redemption by Refinancing.”

On the Closing Date, (i) the Approved Class II Preference Shareholders are expected to purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares and all or a portion of the Class E Notes and may purchase a portion of the Class C Notes and Class D Notes and (ii) the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates is expected to purchase all or a portion of the Class I Preference Shares. No assurance can be given whether HFP or the Servicer will retain such Class C Notes, Class D Notes, Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares and/or Class II Preference Shares for any amount of time. In addition, the Servicer or its Affiliates may also acquire Securities upon the occurrence of an Amendment Buy-Out or a Maturity Extension or Notes upon the occurrence of a Refinancing as described herein. To the extent that the interests of the Holders of the Notes differ from the interests of the Holders of the Preference Shares, the holding of Preference Shares by the Servicer or its Affiliates may create additional conflicts of interest.

The Servicer will be entitled to receive the Senior Servicing Fee, the Subordinated Servicing Fee and the Supplemental Servicing Fee, as further described herein. The structure of such fees may cause the Servicer to direct the Issuer to purchase more speculative Collateral Obligations than it would otherwise acquire in the absence of such performance based compensation. See “The Servicing Agreement.”

In addition to acting as Servicer to the Issuer, Highland Capital will act as manager for HFP, which will, on the Closing Date, purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares. Because Highland Capital will receive both a Servicing Fee from the Issuer for servicing the Collateral and a management fee from HFP for managing HFP’s assets, which will include the Class II Preference Shares (and therefore a residual interest in the Collateral), Highland Capital, acting as Servicer, may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion (or all) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event such amount will be paid by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. The Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares will vote together as a single class, except as described otherwise in “Description of the Securities—The Issuer Charter—Voting Rights”. Receipt of Servicing Fees in the form of dividends on Class II Preference Shares may cause HFP to have different incentives from the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares.

*The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Initial Purchaser*

The Initial Purchaser and/or its Affiliates may have placed or underwritten certain of the Collateral Obligations at original issuance and may have provided investment banking services, advisory, banking and other services to issuers of Collateral Obligations. The Initial Purchaser may, from time to time as principal or through one or more investment funds that it manages, make investments in the equity securities of one or more of the issuers of Collateral Obligations with the result that one or more of such issuers may be or may become controlled by the Initial Purchaser. The Initial Purchaser may not have completed its resale of the Senior Notes by any date certain, which may affect the liquidity of the Securities as well as the ability of the Initial Purchaser to make a market in the Senior Notes. From time to time, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer may purchase or sell Collateral Obligations through the Initial Purchaser and/or any of its Affiliates (collectively, “**Initial Purchaser Entities**”). The Issuer

may acquire the securities of companies affiliated with the Initial Purchaser Entities or in which the Initial Purchaser Entities have an equity or participation interest. The purchase, holding and sale of such securities by the Issuer may enhance the profitability of the Initial Purchaser Entities' own investments in such companies. In addition, an Initial Purchaser Entity may also act as counterparty with respect to one or more Synthetic Securities and may act as hedge counterparty with respect to one or more hedge agreements. The Issuer may make purchases of money market funds that are managed by the Initial Purchaser Entities or for which the Trustee or its Affiliates provides services; *provided* that such money market funds otherwise qualify as Eligible Investments.

By purchasing a Security, each investor will be deemed to have acknowledged the existence of the conflicts of interest inherent to this transaction, including as described above, and to have consented thereto.

## DESCRIPTION OF THE SECURITIES

The Notes will be issued pursuant to the Indenture. The terms of the Preference Shares are contained in the Issuer Charter and in certain resolutions adopted by the Issuer's Board of Directors on or before the Closing Date authorizing and approving the issuance of the Securities, as reflected in the minutes thereof (the "**Resolutions**" and, together with the Issuer Charter and the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the "**Preference Share Documents**"). The following summary describes certain provisions of the Notes, the Preference Shares, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. Copies of the Indenture may be obtained by prospective purchasers upon request in writing to the Trustee at 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code: EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116 Attention: CDO Services Group, and will be available at the office of Custom House Administration & Corporate Services Ltd. (in such capacity, the "**Irish Paying Agent**") in the City of Dublin. Copies of the Preference Share Documents may be obtained upon request in writing to the Administrator at Walker House, 87 Mary Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, KY1-9002, Cayman Islands, Attention: the Directors—Aberdeen Loan Funding, Ltd.

### Status and Security

The Senior Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer and non-recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuer. The Class E Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer. Each Note within a Class will rank *pari passu* with all other Notes of that Class. Under the Indenture, the Issuer will grant to the Trustee a first-priority security interest in the Collateral to secure the Issuer's obligations under the Indenture, the Notes, any Hedge Agreements, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement (to the extent Administrative Expenses arising thereunder are payable as provided in the Indenture) and the Servicing Agreement (collectively, the "**Secured Obligations**"). The Notes are payable solely from amounts received in respect of the Collateral pledged by the Issuer to secure the Notes. If the amounts received in respect of the Collateral (net of certain expenses) are insufficient to make payments on the Secured Obligations, in accordance with the Priority of Payments, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and, following liquidation of all the Collateral, the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, to pay the deficiency will be extinguished.

The Preference Shares are entitled to proceeds of the Collateral only to the extent that any such proceeds are remaining on any Payment Date after payment of all interest and principal payable on each Class of Notes on that Payment Date and the satisfaction of certain other amounts payable in accordance with the Priority of Payments. In addition, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares will be entitled, as and to the extent set forth herein, to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments pursuant to the priority provided in the Priority of Payments.

In furtherance of the priorities of payments among the Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares, the Indenture contains express subordination provisions pursuant to which the Holders of each Class of Notes that is a Junior Class as described below agree for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class that the Junior Class shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes of each Priority Class to the extent and in the manner provided in the Indenture.

If any Event of Default has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs and is continuing under and in accordance with the Indenture, each Priority Class of Notes shall be paid in full in cash or, to the extent a Majority of each Class of Notes (voting separately) consents, other than in cash, before any further payment or distribution is



made on account of any Junior Class of Notes with respect to the Priority Class, as and to the extent provided under “—Priority of Payments—Stated Maturity”. The Holders of each Junior Class of Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for failure to pay to them amounts due to the Junior Class, of the Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or under the Indenture until the payment in full of the Priority Classes or all the Classes, as the case may be and not before one year and a day, or if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, has elapsed since the payment.

For purposes of this provision, with respect to each Class of Notes, the Classes of Notes that are Priority Classes and Junior Classes are as follows:

<b>Class</b>	<b>Junior Classes</b>	<b>Priority Classes</b>
A	B, C, D, E, Preference Shares	None
B	C, D, E, Preference Shares*	A
C	D, E, Preference Shares*	A, B
D	E, Preference Shares*	A, B, C
E	Preference Shares*	A, B, C, D
Preference Shares	None**	A, B, C, D, E

\* Other than with respect to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, which may be payable to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as set forth herein and will have priority to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments. If the Class E Coverage Tests are not satisfied on any Determination Date, Interest Proceeds will first be used to pay principal of the Class E Notes and second to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary to meet all Class E Coverage Tests on such Determination Date as set forth in clause (xi) of “—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds”. If the Interest Diversion Test is not satisfied on any Determination Date Interest Proceeds will be used to satisfy the Interest Diversion Test and such amount will be paid *first*, to principal of the Class E Notes, *second*, to principal of the Class D Notes, *third*, to principal of the Class C Notes, *fourth*, to principal of the Class B Notes and *fifth*, to principal of the Class A Notes, in that order, in each case, to the extent required to satisfy the Interest Diversion Test as set forth in clause (xiv) of “—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds”.

\*\* The Preference Shares will be entitled to certain residual cash flow after payment of senior obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

If, notwithstanding the provisions of the Indenture, any Holder of Notes of any Junior Class has received any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes contrary to the provisions of the Indenture, then, until each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class of Notes has been paid in full in Cash or, to the extent a Majority of each Class of Notes (voting separately) consents, other than in cash, in accordance with the Indenture, the payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, which shall pay and deliver the same to the Holders of the applicable Priority Classes of Notes in accordance with the Indenture. If any such payment or distribution is made other than in cash, it shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and subject in all respects to the Indenture.

Each Holder of Notes of any Junior Class agrees with all Holders of the applicable Priority Classes that the Holder of Junior Class Notes shall not demand, accept, or receive any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes in violation of the Indenture. After a Priority Class has been paid in full, the Holders of Notes of the related Junior Class or Classes shall be fully subrogated to the rights of the Holders of the Priority Class. Nothing in these provisions shall affect the obligation of the Issuer to pay Holders of any Junior Class of Notes.

Distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares are subordinate to distributions on the Notes as described in the Priority of Payments (other than, as and to the extent set forth herein, with respect to distribution of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments).

The Servicing Fees shall have priority only to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

### Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Preference Shares from Interest Proceeds

The Notes of each Class will accrue interest during each Interest Period on their Aggregate Outstanding Amount (determined as of the first day of the Interest Period and after giving effect to any redemption or other payment of principal occurring on that day) at the applicable *per annum* interest rates for each such Class (the “**Note Interest Rate**”) equal to LIBOR for Eurodollar deposits for the applicable Interest Period *plus* the spread, as specified above under “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.” Interest accrued on the Notes shall be calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in the applicable Interest Period *divided by* 360. Payment of interest on each Class of Notes shall be subordinated to the payments of interest on the related Priority Classes and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of Deferred Interest in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered “payable” for the purposes of the Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for the Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest), until paid.

Interest shall cease to accrue on each Note, or in the case of a partial repayment, on the part repaid, from the date of repayment or its Stated Maturity unless payment of principal is improperly withheld or unless there is some other default with respect to the payments of principal.

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares, pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted and to the extent of available Interest Proceeds as described under clauses (xviii) and (xx) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

In addition, Holders of the Class II Preference Shares will be entitled to distributions, on a *pro rata* basis, from the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account, equal to the Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment, the Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment and the Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment (if any) (collectively, the “**Class II Preference Share Special Payments**”). With respect to any Payment Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion (or all) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. Any payments to the Holders of Class II Preference Shares of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments will have priority to the extent provided under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

For purposes of calculating the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, the following definitions shall apply:

“**Class II Preference Share Portion**” means, for any Payment Date, 100% minus the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date.

“**Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment**” means, for any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Senior Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

“**Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment**” means, for any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Subordinated Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

“**Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment**” means, for any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

“**Servicing Fee Portion**” means 100% minus a percentage (between 0% and 100%) selected by the Servicer in its sole discretion and reported to the Trustee in writing on or before the related Determination Date.

For purposes of calculating interest on each Class of Notes, the Issuer will initially appoint the Trustee as calculation agent (the Trustee in that capacity, and each successor calculation agent, the “**Calculation Agent**”).

As soon as possible after 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period, but in no event later than 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the next Business Day, the Calculation Agent will calculate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes for the related Interest Period and the amount of interest for the Interest Period payable in respect of each \$100,000 in principal amount of each Class of Floating Rate Notes (in each case rounded to the nearest cent, with half a cent being rounded upward) on the related Payment Date and will communicate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes and the date of the next Payment Date to the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, each paying agent, Euroclear, Clearstream, the Depository, and (as long as the Senior Notes are listed on the ISE) the ISE.

The Calculation Agent may be removed by the Co-Issuers at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Co-Issuers or if the Calculation Agent fails to determine the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes or the amount of interest payable in respect of each Class of Floating Rate Notes for any Interest Period, the Issuer will promptly appoint as a replacement Calculation Agent a leading bank which is engaged in transactions in U.S. Dollar deposits in the international U.S. Dollar market and which does not control and is not controlled by or under common control with the Co-Issuers or any of their respective affiliates. The Calculation Agent may not resign its duties without a successor having been duly appointed. The determination of the Note Interest Rate with respect to each Class of Floating Rate Notes for each Interest Period by the Calculation Agent shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding upon all parties.

“**LIBOR**” means the offered rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent for any Interest Period, for three month Dollar deposits that appears on Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page as reported on Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News (or a page that replaces Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), as of 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period.

If, on the second Business Day before the first day of any relevant Interest Period, that rate does not appear on Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page (or 3750) as reported on Bloomberg Financial Market Commodities News (or a page that replaces Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page (or 3750) for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), the Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks to prime banks in the London interbank market for three month Dollar deposits in Europe, by reference to requests by the Calculation Agent to four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) (the “**Reference Banks**”) for quotations as of approximately 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the Interest Period. If at least two of the Reference Banks provide quotations as requested, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean. If fewer than two Reference Banks provide quotations, LIBOR shall be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that one or more leading banks in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) are quoting to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period for three month Dollar deposits.

If the Calculation Agent is unable to determine a rate in accordance with any of the above procedures, LIBOR for the Interest Period shall be calculated on the last day of the Interest Period and shall be the arithmetic mean of the rate of interest for each day during the Interest Period determined by the Calculation Agent as being the rate of interest most recently announced by the Bank at its New York office as its base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans (or if the Bank ceases to exist or is not quoting a base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans, another major money center commercial bank in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer)).

For the first Interest Period LIBOR shall be determined using two separate time periods, *first*, using straight-line interpolation of two rates calculated in accordance with the above procedure, except that instead of using three month Dollar deposits, one rate shall be determined using four month Dollar deposits and the other rate shall be determined using five month Dollar deposits calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed from the

Closing Date to, but not including August 1, 2008 *divided by* 360, and *second*, based on three month Dollar deposits for the period from and including August 1, 2008 to the first Payment Date. Unless the Maturity Extension occurs, LIBOR shall be determined for the last Interest Period based on the actual number of days in the Interest Period using straight-line interpolation of two rates calculated in accordance with the above procedure, except that instead of using three month Dollar deposits, one rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next shorter than the Interest Period and the other rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next longer than the Interest Period. All calculations shall be calculated to at least four decimal places and rounded to four decimal places.

### **Principal Payments on the Notes and Distributions on the Preference Shares from Principal Proceeds**

The principal of each Note of each Class matures at par and is payable on the Payment Date that is the Stated Maturity for the Class of Notes, unless the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable at an earlier date by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise. The Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, unless redeemed prior thereto. The average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years from issuance until Stated Maturity for such Notes. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary” and “Maturity and Prepayment Considerations.” Notwithstanding the foregoing, and except as set forth below, the payment of principal of each Class of Notes: (i) may only occur after principal on each Class of Notes that is a Priority Class with respect to the Class has been paid in full and (ii) is subordinated to the payment on each Payment Date of the principal and interest payable on the Priority Classes, and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments. However, (i) Interest Proceeds may be used to pay principal of the Class E Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class E Coverage Tests and (ii) Principal Proceeds may be used to pay Deferred Interest and other amounts before the payment of principal of the Notes. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

In general, principal payments will not be made on the Notes before the end of the Replacement Period, except in the following circumstances: (i) in connection with the payment of Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, (ii) in connection with an Optional Redemption, (iii) in connection with a Refinancing, (iv) at the option of the Servicer, to effect a Special Redemption of the Notes, (v) pursuant to an Optional Redemption made in connection with a Tax Event or (vi) following a mandatory redemption of the Notes caused by a failure to meet any of the Coverage Tests or a Rating Confirmation Failure. After the Replacement Period, Principal Proceeds will be applied on each Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments to pay principal of each Class of Notes (except for Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations which may be applied to purchase Collateral Obligations to the extent described herein). No principal of any Class of Notes will be payable on any Payment Date other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and to the extent funds are available therefor on that Payment Date for that purpose, except that the principal of each Class of Notes will be payable in full at the Stated Maturity, unless repaid before that.

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares, pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted and to the extent of available Principal Proceeds as described under clauses (xi)(A), (xiv) and (xvi) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

### **Legal Provisions Applicable to the Payments of Dividends from Interest Proceeds and Dividends or Other Distributions from Principal Proceeds**

Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment of dividends on, or the payment of the Redemption Price in respect of, the Preference Shares, will be distributable to the Holders of the Preference Shares only if the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distribution and Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment of dividends in respect of the Preference Shares will be distributable to the Holders of the Preference Shares only if the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium and if the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distribution. Payments will be paid by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for payment of dividends and other distributions to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share

Documents, to the extent legally permitted, on a *pro rata* basis according to the number of Preference Shares held by each Holder on the Record Date for such Payment Date.

**Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**

*General*

The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Replacement Period to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date up to four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given the Trustee written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Securities or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents.

In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes or Preference Shares wishing to sell all or a portion of its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to “—Extension Procedure” below (such Securities as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, “**Extension Sale Securities**”). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in connection with a sale of Extension Sale Securities, all, but not part, of the Extension Sale Securities must be purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date.

The Maturity Extension shall be effective only if the following conditions (the “**Extension Conditions**”) are satisfied:

- (i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the applicable Extension Effective Date;
- (ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions in the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents and described herein immediately after such purchase and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency);
- (iii) (a) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to S&P (so long as any Notes are then rated by S&P) and (b) Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to Moody’s (so long as any Notes are then rated by Moody’s);
- (iv) the Issuer has not effected more than three prior Extensions; and
- (v) such extension is not effected for the primary purpose of decreasing losses or recognizing gains resulting from market value changes.

In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Noteholder, other than Holders of Extension Sale Securities, shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment. Holders of Preference Shares shall not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

The Extension Bonus Payment shall be payable to any applicable qualifying beneficial owners, as determined by the Issuer, who have provided the Trustee with an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification on the first Payment Date from and including the Extension Effective Date on which funds are available for such purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments, but in any event, no later than the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption of the Notes. Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in



accordance with the Priority of Payments shall not be considered “due and payable” hereunder. The failure to pay any such Extension Bonus Payment on such date shall not be an Event of Default, unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Securities. Unpaid Extension Bonus Payments shall not accrue interest. Such amounts shall be paid, in the case of the Notes, to the accounts designated in the applicable Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification or, to the extent otherwise required by the rules of any applicable securities exchange or clearing agency, in a manner determined by the Issuer.

#### *Extension Procedure*

Not later than three Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Issuer of its election to extend the Replacement Period (the “**Extension Notice**”), the Trustee shall mail the Extension Notice to all Holders of Notes and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding), in the form set out in the Indenture, and shall request the Rating Confirmation for the Maturity Extension from each Rating Agency, if applicable.

Any Holder of Securities may deliver an irrevocable written notice (an “**Extension Sale Notice**”) to the Issuer and the Trustee within 30 days after the Trustee has mailed the Extension Notice (the “**Extension Sale Notice Period**”) of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of Securities that has not delivered such an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be entitled to sell its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension.

If any Holder of Class II Preference Shares delivers an Extension Sale Notice notifying the Issuer and the Trustee of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Class II Preference Shares such Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to the Extension Qualifying Purchaser and such Preference Shares will, subject to the terms of the Issuer Charter, be converted into Class I Preference Shares, which shall be effected by a redemption by the Issuer of the applicable Class II Preference Shares and an issue of an equivalent number of Class I Preference Shares.

On the applicable Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or its agent) shall confirm, as shall be certified to the Trustee by a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer (i) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Extension Sale Securities in compliance with all transfer restrictions in the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (ii) whether the requirements of clause (iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date and (iii) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

On each Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension shall automatically become effective under the terms of the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents; *provided* that all Extension Conditions set forth above are satisfied, as determined by the Issuer upon consultation with the Servicer (and as certified to the Trustee by a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer). No later than two Business Days after each Extension Effective Date, the Trustee based on such determination made by the Issuer, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail a notice to all Holders of Notes, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) and the ISE (if and for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed thereon) confirming whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension became effective, the Issuer shall make any required notifications thereof to the Depository for any Securities subject to the Maturity Extension.

None of the Initial Purchaser, the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

#### **Optional Redemption**

*Notes.* The applicable Required Redemption Percentage may give written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Servicer directing an optional redemption of the Notes (with respect to the Notes, an “**Optional Redemption**”) upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call

Period. Such notice must be given not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made. In the event that the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee and the Issuer receive notice directing an Optional Redemption of the Notes from any one or more Holders of Preference Shares holding less than a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, within five Business Days of receipt of such notice, notify the Holders of the Preference Shares (i) of the receipt of such notice and (ii) that any Holder of Preference Shares may join in directing an Optional Redemption by notifying the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing within five Business Days after such Holder's receipt of the Preference Shares Paying Agent's notice.

Upon receipt of the written notice directing an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Co-Issuers with respect to the Senior Notes and the Issuer with respect to the Class E Notes are required by the Indenture to redeem the Notes (in whole but not in part) from amounts available therefor in accordance with "—Optional Redemption Procedures" described below. Any Optional Redemption of the Notes shall be made at the applicable Redemption Price. Upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Replacement Period will terminate in accordance with the definition of that term. The Issuer shall, at least 30 days before the Redemption Date (unless the Trustee shall agree to a shorter notice period), notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency in writing of the Redemption Date, the applicable Record Date, the principal amount of Notes to be redeemed on the Redemption Date and the applicable Redemption Prices.

*Preference Shares.* On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, so long as all administrative fees and expenses and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), and all amounts owing under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged:

(i) at the request of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings subject to the provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and Cayman Islands law; or

(ii) at the unanimous written request of the Holders of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a specified portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such written request subject to the provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and Cayman Islands law,

(with respect to the Preference Shares and each of clauses (i) and (ii) above, an Optional Redemption).

Upon a distribution pursuant to clause (i) above, the Servicer will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Servicing Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer (and subject to clause (ii) above), direct the sale of all remaining Collateral Obligations. Upon a distribution pursuant to clause (ii) above, the Servicer will effect the sale of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares.

Upon receipt of the written notice requesting an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares, the Issuer, in accordance with the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, will redeem the Preference Shares in the applicable manner described above. Any Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares shall be made at the applicable Redemption Price.

If any Holder of Preference Shares desires to request the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares after the redemption or repayment of the Notes and in accordance with clauses (i) and (ii) above in this section "—Preference Shares", such Holder should notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing not later than 30 Business Days (or with the Servicer's consent, not later than 20 Business Days) prior to the proposed Redemption Date (which must be a Payment Date). Upon receiving such notice, the Preference Shares Paying Agent will promptly (and in no event later than two Business Days thereafter) notify the Issuer and each Holder of the Preference Shares thereof. Each Holder of Preference Shares that also wishes to request the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares must so notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing (and the Preference

Shares Paying Agent will promptly notify the Issuer and the Servicer of such request) within five Business Days after receipt of such notice. If the aggregate number of Preference Shares that have requested the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares equals or exceeds the minimum threshold set forth in clauses (i) and (ii) above in this section “—Preference Shares”, the Issuer will cause an optional redemption of the Preference Shares pursuant to the procedures described in the Preference Share Documents. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Preference Shares will be redeemed on or prior to the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. The Preference Shares shall be redeemed from the proceeds of any Collateral remaining after giving effect to the redemption or repayment of the Notes and payment in full of all expenses of the Co-Issuers.

*Optional Redemption Procedures.* The Trustee will give notice of a redemption by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days and not earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date, to (i) each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder’s address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as applicable, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and (ii) in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, to each Rating Agency. In addition, for so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the ISE and so long as the guidelines of the exchange so require, notice of an Optional Redemption of Senior Notes shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

Notice of redemption shall be given by the Co-Issuers or, upon an Issuer Order, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Co-Issuers. Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Note selected for redemption or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Securities.

The Notes may not be optionally redeemed unless either of the following conditions is satisfied:

(i) at least 10 Business Days before the Redemption Date, the Servicer shall have furnished to the Trustee evidence (in form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee) that the Issuer has entered into a binding agreement (with a financial or other institution or entity whose short-term unsecured debt obligations (other than obligations whose rating is based on the credit of a person other than the institution) have a credit rating of at least “A-1” from S&P and of “P-1” (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody’s (or to any other institution or entity if the Rating Condition with respect to Moody’s is satisfied with respect to the other entity)) to sell to the financial or other institutions, not later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date in immediately available funds, all or part of the Collateral (directly or by participation or other arrangement) at a Purchase Price at least equal to an amount sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to any Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices; or

(ii) before entering into any binding agreement to sell all or a portion of the Collateral and selling or terminating any Hedge Agreement, the Servicer shall have certified that, in its commercially reasonable judgment, the settlement dates of the sales will be scheduled to occur on or before the Business Day before the Redemption Date and that the expected proceeds from the sales are to be delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date, in immediately available funds, in an amount (calculated as applicable in the manner provided below) sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices. For purposes of this paragraph, the amount shall be calculated with respect to the classes of Collateral listed in the table below by *multiplying* the expected proceeds of sale of the Collateral by the indicated percentage in the table below. For the avoidance of doubt, no Hedge Agreement will be sold or terminated unless the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date has passed and no notice of withdrawal has been issued.



	Number of Business Days Between Certification to the Trustee and Sale			
	<u>Same Day</u>	<u>1 to 2</u>	<u>3 to 5</u>	<u>6 to 15</u>
1. Cash or other Eligible Investments	100%	100%	100%	100%
2. Loans (other than 5 below)	100%	93%	92%	88%
3. High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations (in each case, other than 4 below)	100%	89%	85%	75%
4. High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations, in each case with a Moody's Rating of "B3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "B3"	100%	75%	65%	55%
5. Synthetic Securities	100%	65%	55%	35%

Any certification delivered by the Servicer shall include (A) the prices of, and expected proceeds from, the sale of any Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments or Hedge Agreements and (B) all calculations required by the Indenture.

Any notice of redemption may be withdrawn by the Issuer up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Trustee and the Servicer only if:

(i) in the case of an Optional Redemption of Notes, the Servicer does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications required under the Indenture, as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee;

(ii) in the case of an Optional Redemption in whole of either the Notes or the Preference Shares as described above in "—Optional Redemption—Notes" and clause (i) of the first paragraph under "—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares," the Issuer receives the written request of the Holders of the Preference Shares (or, in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes resulting from a Tax Event, the Affected Class) to withdraw the notice of redemption delivered by the percentage of the Holders of the Preference Shares (or, in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes resulting from a Tax Event, the Affected Class) requesting redemption under "—Optional Redemption—Notes" or clause (i) of the first paragraph under "—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares," as applicable; or

(iii) in the case of an Optional Redemption of Preference Shares as described in clause (ii) of the first paragraph under "Optional Redemption—Preference Shares," the Issuer receives the unanimous written request of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer hereby agrees for the benefit of the requesting Holders to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written request referred to in the preceding clause (ii) or this clause (iii)).

Notice of any withdrawal shall be sent, not later than the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date (assuming that the Trustee has received timely written notice from the Issuer as provided above), by the Trustee, to each Holder of Notes scheduled to be redeemed at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery (or, to the extent the address contained in the Indenture Register is not sufficient for that purpose, by first-class mail) and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares). If the Issuer so withdraws any notice of redemption or is otherwise unable to complete any redemption of the Notes, the Sale Proceeds received from the sale of any Collateral Obligations sold in accordance with the Indenture may, during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period) at the Servicer's discretion, be used to purchase replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria.

Notice of redemption having been given as provided above, the Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at the Redemption Price therein specified and from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Redemption Price and accrued interest) the Notes shall cease to bear interest on the Redemption Date.

Upon final payment on a Note to be so redeemed, the Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the place specified in the notice of redemption to receive the applicable Redemption Price unless the Holder provides an undertaking to surrender the Note thereafter.

*Redemption by Refinancing.* In addition, any Class of the Notes may be redeemed in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period from Refinancing Proceeds if the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, proposes to the Holders of the Preference Shares in writing (by notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares)) with a copy to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies) at least 30 days prior to the Payment Date for such redemption (such date, the “**Refinancing Date**”) to redeem such Notes in accordance with the Indenture, which notice shall, among other things, specify the Refinancing Date and the Class of Notes to be refinanced. Such redemption will be effected by the Issuer obtaining a loan or an issuance of a replacement class of notes (“**Refinancing Notes**”), the terms of which loan or issuance will be negotiated by the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, from one or more financial institutions or purchasers (which may include the Servicer or its Affiliates) selected by the Servicer (a refinancing provided pursuant to such loan or issuance, a “**Refinancing**”), and provided that (i) such proposal is approved by a Majority of the Preference Shares (voting as a single class) at least 15 days prior to the Refinancing Date and (ii) the Servicer completes such Refinancing and causes the Refinancing Proceeds to be deposited with the Trustee (in immediately available funds) no later than the close of the Business Day immediately preceding the Refinancing Date.

The Issuer will obtain a Refinancing only if the Servicer determines and certifies to the Trustee that:

- (i) (A) a Rating Confirmation has been obtained from each Rating Agency for each Class of Notes not subject to Refinancing and (B) a rating letter has been obtained from each Rating Agency with respect to each class of Refinancing Notes that such Refinancing Notes shall be rated at least as high as the Initial Rating of the Class of Notes subject to the Refinancing;
- (ii) the proceeds from the Refinancing will be at least sufficient to pay the Refinancing Price plus any Administrative Expenses of the Issuer related to the Refinancing;
- (iii) the interest rate payable in respect of the obligations providing the Refinancing is less than the interest rate payable on the Notes being refinanced;
- (iv) the principal amount of any obligations providing the Refinancing is no greater than the principal amount of the Notes being redeemed with the proceeds of such obligations;
- (v) the stated maturity of the obligations providing the Refinancing is no earlier than the Stated Maturity of the Notes being refinanced;
- (vi) the Refinancing Proceeds will be used (to the extent necessary) to redeem the applicable Notes;
- (vii) the agreements relating to the Refinancing contain limited recourse, non-recourse and non-petition provisions, investor qualification provisions and transfer restrictions equivalent to those applicable to the Notes being redeemed, as set forth in the Indenture;
- (viii) the obligations providing the Refinancing are subject to the Priority of Payments and do not rank higher in priority pursuant to the Priority of Payments than the Class of Notes being redeemed; and
- (ix) the expenses in connection with the Refinancing have been paid or will be adequately provided for.

Any Refinancing Proceeds will not constitute Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds but will be applied directly on the related Refinancing Date pursuant to the Indenture to redeem the Notes being refinanced and pay Administrative Expenses in connection with the Refinancing without regard to the Priority of Payments; *provided* that, to the extent that any Refinancing Proceeds exceed the amount necessary to redeem the Notes being refinanced (and any associated Administrative Expenses), such excess Refinancing Proceeds will be treated as Principal Proceeds.

Refinancing Notes may be issued from time to time pursuant to a Refinancing as described above and subject to and in compliance with the terms of the Indenture. Any such Refinancing Note will be issued by the Issuer and, if

any such Refinancing Note is a Senior Note, the Co-Issuer and will be authenticated by the Trustee upon delivery to the Trustee of an order of the Issuer and the applicable opinion of counsel as set forth in the Indenture.

**Special Redemption of Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture**

Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in whole or in part, at par, in accordance with the Priority of Payments if, at any time during the Replacement Period, the Servicer elects (subject to the Servicing Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional or replacement Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the application of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations.

On the Special Redemption Date, the Special Redemption Amount will be available to be applied in accordance with “—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds” to the extent of available Principal Proceeds. Notice of payment of the Special Redemption Amount shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than three Business Days before the applicable Special Redemption Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder’s address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository. In addition, for so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the ISE and so long as the guidelines of the exchange so require, notice of a Special Redemption of the Senior Notes shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

In connection with a Special Redemption, the principal of the Notes will be paid from Principal Proceeds in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount (first to any Class A Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class B Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class C Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class D Notes to be redeemed and then to any Class E Notes to be redeemed, in each case until paid in full) in accordance with the Priority of Payments. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

**Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

*General*

In the event of a failure to meet any Coverage Test or a Rating Confirmation Failure on any Determination Date, a mandatory redemption of one or more Classes of Notes in whole or in part will be required. Any mandatory redemption could result in an elimination, deferral or reduction in interest or principal payments to one or more Classes of Securities, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of the Class or Classes of Securities. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Interests for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests” and “—The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure.”

*Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests*

Except with respect to payments made pursuant to an Optional Redemption or a redemption made in connection with a Tax Event as described under “—Optional Redemption,” on any Payment Date with respect to which any Coverage Test (as described under “Security for the Notes—The Coverage Tests”) is not met on any Determination Date, principal payments on the Notes will be made as described under “—Priority of Payments.”

*Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure*

Upon the event of a Rating Confirmation Failure, all Interest Proceeds remaining after payment of amounts referred to in clauses (A) through (F) of “—Priority of Payments—Adjusted Proceeds” and (i) through (xii) of “—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” will be used to pay principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes in the Note Payment Sequence on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date thereafter until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. If necessary, after the foregoing payments are made out of Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds in accordance with clause (x) “—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds” will be used to pay principal of each Class of the Notes sequentially in order of their priority on each Payment Date until the Initial Ratings are confirmed.

Upon receipt of notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes, at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes, then the Servicer may direct and, upon such direction and in accordance with the instructions of the Servicer, the Trustee shall sell Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for the purpose in the Collection Account will be used to redeem the Notes (but only to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes) and to pay all administrative and other fees, expenses and obligations payable under the Priority of Payments. Any sale under these provisions shall be conducted in such a manner that:

- (i) after giving effect to the sale, each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied or, if any Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Overcollateralization Test is not reduced;
- (ii) if the sale occurs on or after the second Payment Date, after giving effect to the sale each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied or, if any Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Interest Coverage Test is not reduced; and
- (iii) after giving effect to the sale each Collateral Quality Test is satisfied or, if any Collateral Quality Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Collateral Quality Test is not reduced.

#### **Redemption of the Preference Shares in Connection with Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

The Preference Shares will be redeemed in whole in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents on any Payment Date on which a mandatory redemption of the Notes described under "—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes" results in the payment in full of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes.

#### **Tax Certification**

As a condition to the payment on any Security in accordance with the Priority of Payments without the imposition of withholding tax, the Issuer will require certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer, the Trustee, and any paying agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments in respect of such Security under any present or future law or regulation of the United States or other jurisdiction or any present or future law or regulation of any political subdivision thereof or taxing authority therein or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under any such law or regulation. Without limiting the foregoing, as a condition to payments on any Security without U.S. federal back up withholding, the Issuer will require the delivery of properly completed and signed applicable U.S. federal income tax certifications (generally, an IRS Form W-9 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a person that is a "United States person" as defined in the Code or an appropriate IRS Form W-8 (or applicable successor form), together with any required attachments, in the case of a person that is not a "United States person" as defined in the Code).

#### **Priority of Payments**

##### Adjusted Proceeds

On each Payment Date (including the Stated Maturity and if funds become available after the Stated Maturity, on any date after the Stated Maturity), in accordance with the Valuation Report for the Determination Date immediately preceding such Payment Date, Interest Proceeds, to the extent of available funds in the Collection Account (excluding from such available funds any Sale Proceeds received during the Due Period relating to such Determination Date to be applied by the Trustee during the related Due Period or the immediately succeeding Due Period to the purchase of replacement Collateral Obligations and, with respect to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations as described in the Indenture, certain Principal Proceeds with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment to purchase prior to the end of such Due Period) and payments received from the Hedge Counterparties under any Hedge Agreements (after giving effect to the netting provisions thereunder), will be applied by the Trustee to pay each of the following in the order of priority set forth below:

(A) in the following order of priority, (i) taxes and registration and filing fees owed by the Co-Issuers (without limit), (ii) the fees, expenses and indemnities of the Trustee with respect to such Payment Date and any fees, indemnities and expenses of the Trustee with respect to a previous Payment Date that were not paid on a previous Payment Date, and (iii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Collateral Administrator with respect to such Payment Date and any fees, indemnities and expenses of the Collateral Administrator with respect to a previous Payment Date that were not paid on a previous Payment Date,

(B) the fees, expenses and indemnities of the Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such Payment Date and any fees, expenses and indemnities of the Preference Shares Paying Agent that were not paid on a previous Payment Date,

(C) in the following order of priority, (i) fees and expenses of the Administrator with respect to such Payment Date and any fees and expenses of the Administrator with respect to a previous Payment Date that were not paid on a previous Payment Date, and (ii) fees and expenses of the Co-Issuers (including fees and expenses of counsel and ongoing surveillance, credit estimate, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies) and any other person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for in the Indenture, and to the expenses (but not fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement,

(D) for the replenishment of the Expense Reimbursement Account to the extent any of the amounts referred to in clauses (A)-(C) have already been paid from funds on deposit therein (the aggregate of the amounts set forth in clauses (A), (B), (C) and (D) shall not exceed the Administrative Expense Cap),

(E) *first*, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with “Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account” an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee then due and payable and *second*, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause, and

(F) to the payment of all amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements (if any) other than any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments (the aggregate of clauses (A), (B), (C), (D), (E) and (F), the “**Aggregate Base Fees and Expenses**”).

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, any amounts to be paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the Preference Shares pursuant to the Indenture will be delivered by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account in accordance with the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

Interest Proceeds, net of amounts payable on a Payment Date pursuant to clauses (A) through (F) above, represent “**Adjusted Interest Proceeds**” for such Payment Date. Principal Proceeds, net of amounts payable on a Payment Date pursuant to clauses (A) through (F) above, to the extent not paid or replenished from Interest Proceeds with respect to such Payment Date, represent “**Adjusted Principal Proceeds**” (and, together with Adjusted Interest Proceeds, “**Adjusted Proceeds**”) for such Payment Date.

On each Payment Date (other than a Payment Date covered by “—Stated Maturity” below) in accordance with the Valuation Report for the Determination Date immediately preceding such Payment Date, the Trustee shall withdraw from the Collection Account, to the extent of available funds therein (excluding from such available funds any Sale Proceeds received during the Due Period relating to such Determination Date to be applied by the Trustee during the related Due Period or the immediately succeeding Due Period and Principal Proceeds in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed purchase prices for additional Collateral Obligations with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment to purchase prior to the end of such Due Period, but has not settled such purchase by the end of such Due Period) an amount equal to the Adjusted Proceeds and shall make disbursements in accordance with “—Interest Proceeds” and “—Principal Proceeds” set forth below.



I. Interest Proceeds.

On each Payment Date, Adjusted Interest Proceeds for such Payment Date will be applied by the Trustee in the following order of priority:

(i) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A Notes;

(ii) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class B Notes;

(iii) if the Class A/B Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case, in the amount necessary so that all of the Class A/B Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (iii) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);

(iv) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class C Notes (excluding Class C Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class C Deferred Interest);

(v) if the Class C Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class C Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (v) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);

(vi) to the payment of Class C Deferred Interest;

(vii) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class D Notes (excluding Class D Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class D Deferred Interest);

(viii) if the Class D Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class D Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (viii) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);

(ix) to the payment of Class D Deferred Interest;

(x) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class E Notes (excluding Class E Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class E Deferred Interest);

(xi) if the Class E Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, *first*, to the payment of principal of the Class E Notes, and *second*, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class E Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (xi) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);

(xii) to the payment of Class E Deferred Interest;

(xiii) if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that a Rating Confirmation is obtained, or until paid in full

(Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (xiii) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);

(xiv) if the Interest Diversion Test is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, 50% of the remaining Interest Proceeds available after the payments pursuant to clause (xiii) above (or, if the amount necessary to cause the Interest Diversion Test to be satisfied as of such Determination Date is less than 50% of such remaining Interest Proceeds, such necessary amount), such amount to be paid *first*, to principal of the Class E Notes, *second*, to principal of the Class D Notes, *third*, to principal of the Class C Notes, *fourth*, to principal of the Class B Notes and *fifth*, to principal of the Class A Notes, in that order, in each case, to the extent required to satisfy the Interest Diversion Test;

(xv) *first*, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with “Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account” an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee then due and payable and *second*, to the payment (*pro rata* according to the amounts payable under clauses (x) and (y) below) to: (x) the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and (y) *pro rata* to each Holder of Securities entitled thereto, the applicable Extension Bonus Payment as described under “—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date”;

(xvi) to the payment of any remaining Administrative Expenses not paid under clauses (A) through (C) above in the respective priorities specified in clauses (A) through (C);

(xvii) to the payment, *pro rata*, of (i) any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments and (ii) any Defaulted Synthetic Security Termination Payments;

(xviii) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment of dividends *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12%;

(xix) *first*, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with “Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account” of an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) the Supplemental Servicing Fee, if applicable and *second*, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Supplemental Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and

(xx) any remaining Interest Proceeds, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement;

*provided* that, after the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes has been paid in full, or so long as the Class A Notes are no longer Outstanding, if the Coverage Tests are at the same level as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds referred to under clauses (xviii) and (xx) above, in whole or in part on any Payment Date, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, will have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute any Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be due and payable on such Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to any such Payment Date will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be increased accordingly. Any payments

to the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be released from the lien of the Indenture and shall be paid in accordance with the provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

## II. Principal Proceeds.

On each Payment Date, Adjusted Principal Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period other than:

(A) Principal Proceeds previously used to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or otherwise used as permitted under the Indenture;

(B) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account or the Securities Lending Account; and

(C) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed Purchase Prices for Collateral Obligations with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment before the end of the Due Period for their purchase, but has not settled the purchase by the end of the Due Period;

will be applied by the Trustee in the following order of priority:

(i) to the payment of the amounts described in clauses (i) and (ii) with respect to Interest Proceeds, in each case to the extent such amounts have not been paid from Adjusted Interest Proceeds with respect to such Payment Date;

(ii) after the Replacement Period, *first*, at the discretion of the Servicer (with respect to Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations) to the purchase or funding of additional or replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the applicable provisions of the Indenture when appropriate Collateral Obligations are available, and until such time, to the Collection Account for the purchase of Eligible Investments; and *second*, to the payment of the Notes as follows:

A. to pay principal of the Class A Notes until the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof has been paid in full;

B. to pay principal of the Class B Notes until the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof has been paid in full;

C. to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class C Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Class C Deferred Interest;

D. to pay principal of the Class C Notes until the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof has been paid in full;

E. to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class D Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Class D Deferred Interest;

F. to pay principal of the Class D Notes until the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof has been paid in full;

G. to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class E Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Class E Deferred Interest;

H. to pay principal of the Class E Notes until the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof has been paid in full;

(iii) if the Class A/B Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case, in the amount necessary so that all of the Class A/B Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro*



*forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full;

(iv) if the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes have been paid in full, to the payment of the amounts described in clause (iv) with respect to Interest Proceeds, in each case to the extent such amounts have not been paid from Adjusted Interest Proceeds with respect to such Payment Date;

(v) if the Class C Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class C Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full;

(vi) if the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes have been paid in full, to the payment of the amounts described in clause (vii) with respect to Interest Proceeds, in each case to the extent such amounts have not been paid from Adjusted Interest Proceeds with respect to such Payment Date;

(vii) if the Class D Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class D Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full;

(viii) if the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes have been paid in full, to the payment of the amounts described in clause (x) with respect to Interest Proceeds, in each case to the extent such amounts have not been paid from Adjusted Interest Proceeds with respect to such Payment Date;

(ix) if the Class E Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class E Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full;

(x) if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that a Rating Confirmation is obtained, or until paid in full;

(xi) (A) if the Payment Date is a Redemption Date in the following order of priority: (i) to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of the Redemption Prices of all of the Notes to be redeemed, (ii) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (xv), (xvi) and (xvii) under “—Interest Proceeds” above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder, (iii) the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment of dividends *pro rata* to the Holders of Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12%, (iv) *first*, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with “Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account” of an amount equal to the product of (x) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (y) the Supplemental Servicing Fee, if applicable and *second*, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (x) the accrued and unpaid Supplemental Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (y) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause and (v) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares of the Redemption Price of any Preference Shares to be redeemed; and

(B) if the Payment Date is a Special Redemption Date, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of the Notes in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount, in each case until paid in full;

(xii) during the Replacement Period, all remaining Principal Proceeds to the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture (and, until so applied (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), to be deposited in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds);

(xiii) to the extent not previously paid in full under clause (xi) above, after the Replacement Period, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (xv), (xvi) and (xvii) under “—Interest Proceeds” above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(xiv) after the Replacement Period, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment of dividends pro rata to the Holders of Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12%;

(xv) after the Replacement Period, *first*, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with “Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account” of an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) the Supplemental Servicing Fee, if applicable and *second*, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Supplemental Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and

(xvi) after the Replacement Period to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment pro rata to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

The calculation on any Coverage Test on any Determination Date shall be made by giving effect to all payments to be made pursuant to all subclauses of the Priority of Payments as applicable, payable on the Payment Date following such Determination Date. In addition no Principal Proceeds will be used to pay a subordinated Class on a Payment Date if, after giving effect to such payment, any Coverage Test of a more senior Class of Notes is failing on such Payment Date or would fail as a result of such application of the Principal Proceeds on such Payment Date.

Any payments to the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be released from the lien of the Indenture and shall be paid in accordance with the provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

If on any Payment Date the amount available in the Payment Account is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by the Valuation Report, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for in the order and according to the priority under “—Interest Proceeds” and “—Principal Proceeds,” to the extent funds are available therefor.

The Trustee shall remit funds to pay Administrative Expenses of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in accordance with the Priority of Payments under “—Interest Proceeds” and “—Principal Proceeds” above, to the extent available, to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer as directed and designated in an Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions) delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before each Payment Date.

#### Stated Maturity.

On (i) the Stated Maturity (including an Optional Redemption Date or the date of a Tax Event Redemption or any Payment Date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes is paid in full as described herein) and, if funds become available after the Stated Maturity, on any other date after the Stated Maturity, and (ii) each Payment Date (x) after the occurrence of an Event of Default and an acceleration of the Notes as described under “The Indenture—Events of Default” that has not been rescinded, or (y) after the occurrence of an Event of Default and an acceleration of the Notes as described under “The Indenture—Events of Default” that has not been rescinded and the liquidation of the Collateral as described under “The Indenture—Events of Default”, and, in each case, in accordance with the Valuation Report for the Determination Date immediately preceding such Payment Date or Stated Maturity (or in the case of an Optional Redemption, in accordance with the related redemption date statement

delivered pursuant to the Indenture), available funds in the Collection Account in an amount equal to the sum of Adjusted Proceeds *plus* Sale Proceeds (if any), together, in the case of clause (i) above, with all available funds in the Expense Reimbursement Account, will be applied by the Trustee in the following order of priority:

- (i) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A Notes;
- (ii) to pay the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes;
- (iii) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class B Notes;
- (iv) to pay the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes;
- (v) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class C Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Class C Deferred Interest;
- (vi) to pay the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes;
- (vii) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class D Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Class D Deferred Interest;
- (viii) to pay the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes;
- (ix) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class E Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Class E Deferred Interest;
- (x) to pay the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class E Notes;
- (xi) *first*, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with “Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account” of an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) the Subordinated Servicing Fee, if applicable and *second*, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause;
- (xii) to the payment of any remaining Administrative Expenses not paid under clauses (A) through (C) above under “Adjusted Proceeds” in the respective priorities specified in clauses (A) through (C);
- (xiii) to the payment, *pro rata*, of any (i) Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments and any (ii) Defaulted Synthetic Security Termination Payments;
- (xiv) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment of dividends *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12%;
- (xv) *first*, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with “Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account” of an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) the Supplemental Servicing Fee, if applicable and *second*, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Supplemental Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and
- (xvi) any remaining Interest Proceeds, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement;

*provided* that, after the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes has been paid in full, or so long as the Class A Notes are no longer Outstanding, if the Coverage Tests are at the same level as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds referred to under clauses (xiv) and (xvi) above, in whole or in part on any Payment Date, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, will have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute any Eligible Equity Securities pro rata to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be due and payable on such Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to any such Payment Date will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be increased accordingly. Any payments to the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be released from the lien of the Indenture and shall be paid in accordance with the provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

The amount and frequency of principal and interest payments will depend on, among other things, the extent to which the Collateral Obligations pledged to secure the Notes become items of Defaulted Collateral Obligations, are subject to early payment provisions or are retired prior to the Stated Maturity through mandatory or optional redemption, sale, maturity or other liquidation or disposition and the extent to which additional Collateral Obligations meeting the requirements specified herein are available for purchase in circumstances in which available funds are to be used for the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations or in circumstances in which the Issuer may dispose of Collateral Obligations and apply the proceeds thereof to the purchase of replacement Collateral Obligations as described herein as well as other factors, including the interest rates obtained in connection with the purchase of any such items of Collateral Obligations or any Eligible Investment which funds held in the accounts described herein may be used to purchase.

#### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Senior Notes**

The Senior Notes sold in Offshore Transactions may only be sold to non-U.S. Persons in reliance on Regulation S. Except as provided below, the Senior Notes sold in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Notes. The Regulation S Global Notes will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear and Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream. Investors may hold their interests in a Regulation S Global Note directly through Euroclear or Clearstream, if they are participants in such systems, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in such systems. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may not be held by a U.S. Person at any time. By acquisition of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note, the purchaser thereof will be deemed to represent that it is not a U.S. Person and that, if in the future it determines to transfer such beneficial interest, it will transfer such interest only to a person whom the seller reasonably believes to be a non-U.S. Person or to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note.

The Senior Notes initially sold in non-Offshore Transactions or to U.S. Persons in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Rule 144A may only be sold to (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers that are also (ii) Qualified Purchasers and, except as provided below, will be represented by one or more permanent Rule 144A Global Notes. Investors may hold their interests in the Rule 144A Global Notes directly through the Depository if they are the Depository participants, or indirectly through organizations that are the Depository participants. The Rule 144A Global Notes will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for the Depository, and registered in the name of a nominee of the Depository.

Beneficial interests in Senior Notes represented by Global Notes will be subject to certain restrictions on transfer set forth therein and in the Indenture and such Global Notes will bear the applicable legends regarding the restrictions set forth under "Transfer Restrictions." A beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from (A) the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that the transfer is being made to a person whom the transferor reasonably believes is a Qualified Institutional Buyer

who is also a Qualified Purchaser and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction and (B) the transferee (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser. Beneficial interests in the Rule 144A Global Notes may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from (A) the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that the transfer is being made to a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction in accordance with Regulation S and (B) the transferee (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is a non-U.S. Person.

Any beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note that is transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will, upon transfer, cease to be an interest in such Regulation S Global Note and become an interest in the Rule 144A Global Note and, accordingly, will thereafter be subject to all transfer restrictions and other procedures applicable to beneficial interests in a Rule 144A Global Note for as long as it remains such an interest. Any beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note that is transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note will, upon transfer, cease to be an interest in the Rule 144A Global Note and become an interest in the Regulation S Global Note and, accordingly, will thereafter be subject to all transfer restrictions and other procedures applicable to beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note for as long as it remains such an interest. No service charge will be made for any registration of transfer or exchange of Senior Notes, but the Issuer or Co-Issuers, as the case may be, or the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

Except in the limited circumstances described in this paragraph, owners of beneficial interests in Senior Notes held in the form of Global Notes will not be entitled to receive delivery of certificated Senior Notes. The Senior Notes are not issuable in bearer form. A Global Note deposited with the Depository pursuant to the Indenture shall be transferred to the beneficial owners thereof only if such transfer complies with the Indenture and either (i) the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for a Global Note or ceases to be a "Clearing Agency" registered under the Exchange Act and a successor depository is not appointed by the Issuer within 90 days of such notice or (ii) as a result of any amendment to or change in, the laws or regulations of the Cayman Islands or of any authority therein or thereof having power to tax or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations which become effective on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer or the Trustee becomes aware that it is or will be required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Senior Notes which would not be required if the Senior Notes were in definitive form. In addition, the owner of a beneficial interest in a Global Note will be entitled to receive a certificated Note in exchange for such interest if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing. In the event that certificated Senior Notes are not so issued by the Issuer to such beneficial owners of interests in Global Notes, the Issuer expressly acknowledges that such beneficial owners shall be entitled to pursue any remedy that the Holders of a Global Note would be entitled to pursue in accordance with the Indenture (but only to the extent of such beneficial owner's interest in the Global Note) as if certificated Senior Notes had been issued. Payments on such certificated Senior Notes will be made by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a Dollar-denominated account maintained by the owner or, if a wire transfer cannot be effected, by a Dollar check delivered to the owner. See "Settlement and Clearing."

The Senior Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof for each Class of Senior Notes.

#### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Certificated Notes**

Some of the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes, and all of the Class E Notes, will be issued in the form of one or more Certificated Notes. The Certificated Notes may only be sold to persons who are Qualified Institutional Buyers (or, solely in the case of certain Holders purchasing Certificated Notes on the Closing Date, Institutional Accredited Investors) who are also Qualified Purchasers.

The Certificated Notes may be transferred only upon (*inter alia*) receipt by the Trustee of a written certification (in the form provided in the Indenture) from the transferee to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is also a Qualified Purchaser, and such transfer is being made in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction. Each initial Holder as well as each transferee of the Certificated Notes is also required to provide certain tax forms and other tax-related certifications. See "Transfer Restrictions."



The Certificated Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof.

### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Preference Shares**

The Preference Shares will be issued in the form of one or more Certificated Preference Shares. Preference Shares may only be sold to persons who are Qualified Institutional Buyers who are also Qualified Purchasers.

Preference Shares may be transferred only upon (*inter alia*) receipt by the Preference Shares Paying Agent of a written certification (in the form provided in the Preference Share Documents) from the transferee to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is also a Qualified Purchaser, and such transfer is being made in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction. Each initial Holder as well as each transferee of the Preference Shares is also required to provide certain tax forms and other tax-related certifications. See “Transfer Restrictions.”

Walkers SPV Limited has been appointed and will serve as the registrar with respect to the Preference Shares (the “**Share Registrar**”) and will provide for (*inter alia*) the registration of the Preference Shares and the registration of transfers of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Preference Share Documents and the Administration Agreement in the register maintained by it. The Preference Shares will be issued in minimum numbers of 100 Preference Shares per investor and integral multiples of one Preference Share in excess thereof.

### **The Indenture**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Indenture. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Indenture.

#### *Events of Default*

“**Event of Default**” is defined in the Indenture as:

- (a) a default for four Business Days in the payment of any interest on the Class A Notes or the Class B Notes, or, if no Class A Notes or Class B Notes are Outstanding, a default in the payment of any interest on the Controlling Class, in each case, when it becomes payable (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, the Irish Paying Agent or the Indenture Registrar, after seven Business Days);
- (b) a default in the payment of principal (including Deferred Interest) of any Note when the same becomes payable, at its Stated Maturity or on the Redemption Date;
- (c) the failure on any Payment Date to disburse amounts available in the Payment Account in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the failure continues for three Business Days;
- (d) on any Measurement Date for so long as any Class A Notes are Outstanding, the Overcollateralization Ratio with respect to the Class A Notes (which, for purposes of this clause (d), will be calculated without giving effect to clause 5(A) of the definition of Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator) is less than 100%;
- (e) either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral becomes an investment company under the Investment Company Act;
- (f) breach of any other covenant or other agreement of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer made in the Indenture (other than any failure to satisfy any of the Collateral Quality Tests, any of the Concentration Limitations, any of the Coverage Tests, the Interest Diversion Test, or other covenants or agreements for which a specific remedy has been provided under the Indenture) in any material respect, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer made in the Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant thereto, or in connection therewith, to be correct in any material respect when made, and the breach or failure continues for 30 days after either of the Co-Issuers has actual knowledge of it or after notice to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Servicer by the Trustee or to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer and the Trustee

by the Holders of at least 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class by registered or certified mail or overnight courier specifying the breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that the notice is a “Notice of Default” under the Indenture;

(g) the entry of a decree or order by a court having competent jurisdiction adjudging the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, and if the decree or order remains unstayed and in effect for 45 consecutive days;

(h) the institution by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of Proceedings to have the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as the case may be, adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings against the Issuer or Co-Issuer, or the filing by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Bankruptcy Law or any other similar applicable law, or the consent by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or the taking of any action by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in furtherance of any such action; or

(i) one or more final judgments is rendered against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer that exceed in the aggregate U.S.\$2,000,000 and that remain unstayed, undischarged and unsatisfied for 30 days after the judgments become nonappealable, unless adequate funds have been reserved or set aside for their payment.

Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Trustee must give prompt (and in no event later than five Business Days after becoming aware of such event) notice thereof to the Noteholders.

If an Event of Default is continuing (other than an Event of Default described in clauses (e), (g) or (h) under “—Events of Default” above), the Trustee may, with consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class, and must, upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, declare the principal of all the Notes to be immediately payable by notice to the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as applicable, and the Noteholders, and upon that declaration the unpaid principal of all the Notes, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), and other amounts payable under the Indenture, shall become immediately payable. The Replacement Period shall terminate upon a declaration of acceleration (subject to re-commencement as described below). If an Event of Default described in clauses (e), (g) or (h) above under “—Events of Default” occurs, all unpaid principal, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), of all the Notes, and other amounts payable under the Indenture, shall automatically become payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any Noteholder, and the Replacement Period shall terminate automatically (subject to re-commencement as described below).

At any time after the declaration of acceleration of maturity has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may rescind the declaration and its consequences if:

- (i) the Issuer or the Co-Issuer has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:
  - (A) all unpaid installments of interest and principal on the Notes then due (other than as a result of the acceleration);
  - (B) to the extent that payment of the interest is lawful, interest on any Deferred Interest and Defaulted Interest at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable;
  - (C) all Administrative Expenses of the Co-Issuers and other sums paid or advanced by the Trustee under the Indenture;
  - (D) all unpaid Senior Servicing Fees;

- (E) all amounts then payable to any Hedge Counterparty; and
- (ii) the Trustee has determined that all Events of Default, other than the nonpayment of the interest on or principal of the Notes that have become due solely by the acceleration, have been (A) cured, and a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Trustee has agreed with that determination, or (B) waived as provided in the Indenture.

No rescission shall affect any subsequent default or impair any right resulting from the default. The Issuer shall not terminate any Hedge Agreement at any time after a declaration of acceleration of the Stated Maturity of the Notes has been made, unless such declaration and its consequences may no longer be rescinded and annulled in accordance with the Indenture and liquidation of the Collateral has begun.

If an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee will retain the Collateral, collect and cause the collection of the proceeds of the Collateral and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Collateral and the Notes and any Hedge Agreements (other than amounts received under a Hedge Agreement that are used in putting a replacement hedge in place) in the manner described under “—Priority of Payments” and the Indenture unless:

- (i) the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, determines (bid prices having been obtained with respect to each security contained in the Collateral from two nationally recognized dealers (or if there is only one dealer, that dealer), selected and specified by the Servicer to the Trustee in writing, at the time making a market in those securities, and having computed the anticipated proceeds of sale or liquidation on the basis of the lower of the bid prices for each security) that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would (after deduction of the reasonable expenses of the sale or liquidation) be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and the Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under clause (E) of “—Priority of Payments—Adjusted Proceeds”; or
- (ii) with respect to an Event of Default other than as specified in clauses (a), (b) or (d) under “Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default,” the Holders of a Super Majority of each of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes direct, subject to the provisions of the Indenture, the sale and liquidation of the Collateral, and with respect to an Event of Default specified in clauses (a), (b) or (d) under “Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default,” a Majority of the Controlling Class direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral.

During the continuance of an Event of Default, a Majority of the Controlling Class may institute and direct the Trustee in the conduct of any proceedings for any remedy available to the Trustee (including the exercise of any remedy specified in the Indenture or otherwise with respect to the Collateral) or for the exercise of any right of the Trustee under the Indenture if the direction does not conflict with any rule of law or with any express provision of the Indenture and the Trustee has been indemnified to its reasonable satisfaction. Any direction to the Trustee to undertake a sale of the Collateral shall be by the Holders of Notes representing the requisite percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes specified in the Indenture. The Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability or expense unless it has received an indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it against the liability or expense.

A Majority of the Controlling Class may on behalf of the Holders of all the Notes, before the time a judgment or decree for the payment of money due has been obtained by the Trustee, waive any past Event of Default or event that, with notice or the lapse of time or both, would become an Event of Default and its consequences, except such a default:

- (i) in the payment of principal or Redemption Price of any Note or in the payment of interest (including Defaulted Interest, Deferred Interest and any interest on Defaulted Interest or Deferred Interest) on the Notes;



- (ii) with respect to a provision of the Indenture that cannot be modified or amended without the waiver or consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected by the modification or amendment;
- (iii) in the payment of amounts due to the Servicer, the Trustee or the Hedge Counterparty, which may only be waived with the consent of the affected party; or
- (iv) arising as a result of an Event of Default described in clause (e), (g) or (h) under “—Events of Default.”

No Holder of any Note may institute any proceeding with respect to the Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy under the Indenture, unless:

- (i) the Holder has previously given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default;
- (ii) the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute Proceedings with respect to the Event of Default in its own name as Trustee under the Indenture and the Holders have offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with the request;
- (iii) the Trustee, for 30 days after its receipt of the notice, request and offer of indemnity, has failed to institute a Proceeding; and
- (iv) no direction inconsistent with the written request has been given to the Trustee during the 30 day period by a Majority of the Controlling Class.

If the Trustee receives conflicting or inconsistent requests and indemnity pursuant to clauses (i) through (iv) above from two or more groups of Holders of the Controlling Class, each representing less than a Majority of the Controlling Class, the Trustee shall take the action requested by the Holders of the largest percentage in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, notwithstanding any other provisions of the Indenture but subject to such Holders having offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the costs and liabilities that might reasonably be incurred by it in compliance with the request as provided in the Indenture.

### **Supplemental Indentures**

#### *Without Consent of Holders*

Without the consent of the Holders of any Securities, but with the consent of the parties the consent of which is required as described in the following paragraph, the Co-Issuers, in each instance when authorized by resolutions of the respective Boards of Directors, and the Trustee, at any time and from time to time subject to the requirement provided below with respect to receipt of a Rating Confirmation, may, if, with respect to any matters described in clauses (1) through (21) below, the interests of the Holders of the Securities (except, in the case of clause (11) below, any Holders of Notes subject to the applicable Refinancing) are not materially and adversely affected thereby as provided in this section “—Without Consent of Holders”, enter into one or more indentures supplemental to the Indenture, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, for any of the following purposes:

- (1) to evidence the succession of another person to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and the assumption by the successor person of the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in the Indenture and in the Securities;
- (2) to add to the covenants of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders or to surrender any right in the Indenture conferred on the Co-Issuers;
- (3) to convey, transfer, assign, mortgage or pledge any property to the Trustee, or add to the conditions, limitations or restrictions on the authorized amount, terms and purposes of the issue, authentication and delivery of the Notes;
- (4) to evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment under the Indenture by a successor Trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of the Indenture necessary to facilitate the administration of the trusts under the Indenture by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of the Indenture;

- (5) to correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of the Indenture, or to better assure, convey and confirm to the Trustee any property subject or required to be subject to the lien of the Indenture (including all actions appropriate as a result of changes in law) or to subject to the lien of the Indenture any additional property;
- (6) to cause any provision of the Indenture to conform to, or be consistent with, the statements made with respect to such provision in this Offering Memorandum;
- (7) to modify the restrictions on and procedures for resales and other transfers of the Notes to reflect any changes in applicable law (or its interpretation) or to enable the Co-Issuers to rely on any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities Act (including, without limitation, to add provisions for resales and transfers of the Class E Notes and/or Preference Shares under Regulation S) or the Investment Company Act or to remove restrictions on resale and transfer to the extent not required thereunder (for the avoidance of doubt no modification of the restrictions or procedures for resales and transfers may be made for the purpose of increasing any such restrictions);
- (8) to make appropriate changes for any Class of Senior Notes to be listed on an exchange other than the ISE;
- (9) to otherwise correct any inconsistency or cure any ambiguity or errors in the Indenture;
- (10) to accommodate the issuance of the Senior Notes in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC or otherwise;
- (11) to accommodate a Refinancing effected pursuant to and in compliance with the terms of the Indenture; *provided* that no Holders of Notes or Preference Shares are materially adversely affected thereby, other than Holders of Notes subject to such Refinancing (and provided that the mere occurrence of the Refinancing itself shall be deemed not to constitute such a material adverse effect);
- (12) to take any appropriate action to prevent the Issuer, the Holders of Securities or the Trustee from becoming subject to withholding or other taxes, fees or assessments, or to prevent the Issuer from being treated as being engaged in a U.S. trade or business or otherwise being subject to U.S. federal, state or local income tax on a net income basis, so long as the action will not cause the Holders of any Securities to be adversely affected to any material extent by any change to the timing, character or source of the income from the Securities, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion);
- (13) to authorize the appointment of any listing agent, transfer agent, paying agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes appropriate in connection with the listing of any Class of Senior Notes on the ISE or any other stock exchange, and otherwise to amend the Indenture to incorporate any changes required or requested by any governmental authority, stock exchange authority, listing agent, transfer agent, paying agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes in connection with its appointment, so long as the supplemental indenture would not materially and adversely affect any Noteholder, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Notes;
- (14) to amend, modify, enter into or accommodate the execution of any contract relating to a Synthetic Security (including posting collateral under a Synthetic Security Agreement) if such particular action is not otherwise permitted under the Indenture;
- (15) to modify certain representations as to Collateral in the Indenture in order that it may be consistent with applicable laws or Rating Agency requirements;
- (16) to evidence any waiver by any Rating Agency as to any requirement or condition, as applicable, of the Rating Agency in the Indenture;

- (17) to facilitate the issuance of participation notes, combination notes, composite securities and other similar securities;
- (18) to facilitate hedging transactions;
- (19) to facilitate the ability of the Issuer to lend collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement;
- (20) to modify any provision to facilitate an A/B Exchange, including to effect any serial designation relating to the exchange;
- (21) to provide for the issuance of additional Preference Shares to the extent permitted by the Preference Share Documents and to extend to such additional Preference Shares the benefits applicable to the Preference Shares under the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents; or
- (22) to prevent the Issuer from becoming an “investment company” as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); *provided* that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer shall have received (A) a Rating Confirmation with respect to such supplemental indenture and (B) a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such supplemental indenture, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

Without the consent of the Servicer, no supplemental indenture may be entered into that (x) affects the rights, powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer or (y) affects the amount or priority of any fees payable to the Servicer under the Indenture or (z) is with respect to any matters described in clauses (viii) and (ix) of “—With Consent of Holders” below.

The Trustee is authorized to join in the execution of any such supplemental indenture and to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations that may be in the agreements, but the Trustee should not be obligated to enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee’s own rights, duties, liabilities or immunities under the Indenture or otherwise, except to the extent required by law. Unless notified in writing by a Majority of any Class of Securities that the Class of Securities would be materially and adversely affected, the Trustee will be entitled to receive and may rely on a certificate of the Servicer or an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) as to whether the interests of any Holder of Securities would be materially and adversely affected by any such supplemental indenture.

If any Outstanding Notes are rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee will enter into a supplemental indenture without the consent of Holders only if either (1) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the supplemental indenture or (2) the Servicer and the Holders of 100% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes the ratings on which would be reduced or withdrawn consent to the supplemental indenture. Prior to the entry into any supplemental Indenture with respect to which a Rating Confirmation for one or more Classes of Notes is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Note informing them of such fact.

At the cost of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee will mail to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), each Rating Agency (for so long as any Notes are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency), the Collateral Administrator and each Hedge Counterparty a copy of any such proposed supplemental indenture at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee (or 60 calendar days before execution in the case of a supplemental indenture for the purpose described in clause (8) above, which shall be identified as such in a certificate of the Servicer delivered to the Trustee before the date on which such notice is required to be given).

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If the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to S&P, with the consent of (a) the Servicer if the supplemental indenture would affect the rights, powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer or would affect the amount or priority of any fees payable to the Servicer under the Indenture, (b) a Majority of each Class of Notes adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of each such Class of Notes and (c) a Majority of the Preference Shares adversely affected thereby, the Trustee and the Co-Issuers may enter into a supplemental indenture to add any provisions to, change in any manner or eliminate any of the provisions of the Indenture, or modify in any manner the rights of the Holders of the Notes under the Indenture.

Any proposed supplemental indenture that would also necessitate a change to the Issuer Charter may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined therein) has been passed to permit the Issuer's constitutional documents to be altered to conform with such proposed change to the Indenture as certified to the Trustee by the Issuer.

Notwithstanding anything in the Indenture to the contrary, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected thereby and the Holder of each Outstanding Preference Share adversely affected thereby, no supplemental indenture shall:

(i) change the Stated Maturity of the principal of or the due date of any installment of interest on any Note or of any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares (other than in the case of any Maturity Extension in connection with an extension of the Replacement Period as described in "—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date"), reduce the principal amount or the rate of interest on any Note, or the Default Interest Rate or the Redemption Price with respect to any Note or Preference Share, or change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Share may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer, change the provisions of the Indenture relating to the application of proceeds of any Collateral to the payment of principal of or interest on Notes, or to payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, or change any place where, or the coin or currency in which, Notes or their principal or interest are paid, or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after their Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the applicable Redemption Date);

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class or Holders of Preference Shares whose consent is required for the authorization of any such supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of the Indenture or certain defaults under the Indenture or their consequences provided for in the Indenture;

(iii) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on a parity with the lien of the Indenture with respect to any part of the Collateral, or terminate the lien on any property at any time subject hereto, or deprive the Holder of any Note of the security afforded by the lien of the Indenture;

(iv) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class whose consent is required to request the Trustee to retain the Collateral pursuant to the Indenture or to sell or liquidate the Collateral pursuant to the Indenture;

(v) modify any of the provisions of these clauses (i) through (vii) with respect to supplemental indentures, or to modify other provisions of the Indenture that expressly provide by their terms that they cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note and Preference Share affected thereby;

(vi) modify the definition of "Outstanding," "Controlling Class," or "Majority," or the Priority of Payments in the Indenture;

(vii) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of Redemption Price or of interest or principal on any Note or any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the payment of dividends or other payments on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date or to affect the rights of the Holders of Notes or Preference Shares to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of the Notes or the Preference Shares contained in the Indenture;

(viii) except as permitted under clause (22) of “—Without Consent of Holders” above, modify (A) the restrictions on the sales of Collateral Obligations described in “Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations” or (B) the Eligibility Criteria described in “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria” (and the related definitions); or

(ix) except as permitted under clause (22) of “—Without Consent of Holders” above, be entered into for the purpose of adding any additional agreements as well as any amendment, modification or waiver if the Issuer determines that the agreement, amendment, modification or waiver would, upon or after becoming effective, materially and adversely affect the rights or interest of the Holders of any Class of Securities.

Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the above provision, the Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, will mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Collateral Administrator and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) a copy of such proposed supplemental indenture and will request any required consent from the applicable Holders of Securities to be given within the Initial Consent Period. Any consent given to a proposed supplemental indenture by the Holder of any Securities will be irrevocable and binding on all future Holders or beneficial owners of that Security, irrespective of the execution date of the supplemental indenture. If the Holders of less than the required percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the relevant Securities consent to a proposed supplemental indenture within the Initial Consent Period, on the first Business Day after the Initial Consent Period, the Trustee will notify the Issuer and the Servicer which Holders of Securities have consented to the proposed supplemental indenture and, which Holders (and, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the Trustee, which beneficial owners) have not consented to the proposed supplemental indenture. If it intends to exercise its Amendment Buy-Out Option, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must so notify the Trustee in writing (which notice will designate a date for the Amendment Buy-Out to occur no earlier than 10 Business Days after the date of such notice) no later than five Business Days after the Servicer is so notified by the Trustee and the Trustee will promptly mail such notice to all Noteholders and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares). Any Non-Consenting Holder may give consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture until the 5th Business Day prior to the date of the Amendment Buy-Out designated by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and in such case will cease to be a Non-Consenting Holder for purposes of the Amendment Buy-Out. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser exercises its Amendment Buy-Out Option and purchases the applicable Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, as Holder or beneficial owner of the applicable Securities, may consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture within five Business Days of the Amendment Buy-Out.

It is not necessary for any Act of Noteholders under the above provision to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if the Act or consent approves its substance.

The Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, will mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Collateral Administrator and each Rating Agency a copy of any supplemental indenture promptly after its execution by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee.

#### **Additional Issuance of Preference Shares**

The Preference Share Documents will provide that, at any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the proceeds from such issuance and sale to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or as otherwise permitted under the Preference Share Documents and the Indenture; *provided* that the following conditions are met: (a) the terms of the Preference Shares issued must be identical to the terms of previously issued Preference Shares and (b) the net proceeds of any additional Preference Shares are used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations. Such additional Preference Shares may be offered and sold at prices that differ from the initial offering prices of the outstanding Preference Shares; *provided* that the initial offering prices of additional Preference Shares shall not be below 100% of the face amount thereof. The Issuer must cause purchases of additional Preference Shares made pursuant to an additional issuance of Preference Shares to comply individually and in the aggregate with the applicable purchase and transfer restrictions for the Preference Shares set forth herein in “Transfer Restrictions” and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).



Any additional Preference Shares issued will, to the extent reasonably practicable, be offered by the Issuer first to the existing Holders of the Preference Shares, in such amounts as are necessary to preserve their *pro rata* holdings of the Preference Shares. By its acceptance of the Preference Shares, each Holder of a Preference Share agrees that additional Preference Shares can be issued in accordance with the Preference Share Documents and the Indenture without consent of any Holder of the Securities.

Except as contemplated in connection with a Refinancing, the Indenture does not permit the issuance of additional Class A Notes, Class B Notes, Class C Notes, Class D Notes or Class E Notes or other obligations with terms similar to those of such Classes of Notes. See “—Redemption by Refinancing.”

### **Amendment Buy-Out**

In the case of any supplemental indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Securities held by such Holders of the Class of Securities whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture (the “**Amendment Buy-Out Option**”), in each case, for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; *provided, however*, that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser may not exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option during the Non-Call Period (i) for any reason with respect to the Class A Noteholders or (ii) with respect to Notes of any Class, in connection with a proposed amendment to reduce the rate of interest on any Securities or to change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Shares may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all such Securities of Non-Consenting Holders for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an “**Amendment Buy-Out**”); *provided* that if any Non-Consenting Holder holds Class II Preference Shares, such Non-Consenting Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser and such Preference Shares will, subject to the terms of the Issuer Charter, be converted into Class I Preference Shares, which shall be effected by a redemption by the Issuer of the applicable Class II Preference Shares and an issue of an equivalent number of Class I Preference Shares. By its acceptance of its Securities under the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents, as applicable, each Holder of Securities agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its applicable Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser. Neither the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser nor any other Person shall have any liability to any Holder or beneficial owner of Securities as a result of an election by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser not to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option.

All purchases made pursuant to an Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Securities set forth herein in “Transfer Restrictions” and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

### **Notices**

Notices to the Holders of the Securities will be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the registered Holders of the Notes at their respective addresses appearing in the Indenture Register and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares). If and for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the ISE and the guidelines of the exchange so require, notice will also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

Any Holder or beneficial owner of any Class A Notes may elect to acquire bond insurance, a surety bond, a credit default swap or similar credit enhancement supporting the payment of principal and/or interest on such Class A Notes on terms and conditions acceptable to such Holder or beneficial owner and at the sole expense of such Holder or beneficial owner. On or after any such acquisition, such Holder or beneficial owner may deliver notice (and if from a beneficial owner, any such notice shall include certification that such owner is a beneficial owner of the Class A Notes) to the Trustee in substantially the form set out in the Indenture, specifying the name and contact information of the insurer, surety, credit protection seller or enhancer of such Class A Notes (each, an “**Insurer**”). After receipt of any such notice by the Trustee, the Trustee shall copy the related Insurer on all notices, reports or other documents delivered to the Noteholders.

### **Certain Covenants**

The Indenture contains certain covenants restricting the conduct of the Co-Issuers, including (i) restrictions on consolidations, mergers and transfers or conveyances of assets involving either Co-Issuer, (ii) restrictions on incurrence of debt other than the Notes and certain obligations incidental to the performance by each Co-Issuer of its obligations under the Indenture, (iii) restrictions on the ability of either Co-Issuer to conduct activities inconsistent with its special-purpose nature and (iv) certain restrictions on amendments of the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Servicing Agreement.

### **Certain Additional Issues Relating to Listing of Senior Notes**

Application will be made for the Senior Notes to be admitted to the Official List of the ISE and trading on its regulated market. There can be no assurance that any such admission will be granted or maintained.

The Indenture provides that, so long as any Senior Notes remain Outstanding, the Co-Issuers shall use all reasonable efforts to obtain and maintain the listing of the Senior Notes on the regulated market of the ISE; *provided* that the Co-Issuers will not be required to maintain a listing on a stock exchange in the European Union if compliance with requirements of the European Commission on a member state becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer.

### **Cancellation**

All Securities that are paid in full or redeemed and surrendered for cancellation will forthwith be canceled and may not be reissued or resold.

### **No Gross-Up**

All payments made by the Issuer under the Securities will be made without any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax unless the deduction or withholding is required by any applicable law, as modified by the practice of any relevant governmental revenue authority, then in effect. If the Issuer is so required to deduct or withhold, then the Issuer will not be obligated to pay any additional amounts in respect of the withholding or deduction.

### **Petitions for Bankruptcy**

The Indenture provides that the Trustee, each Hedge Counterparty, the Servicer and the Holders of the Notes may not cause the Issuer or Co-Issuer to petition for bankruptcy before one year and one day have elapsed since the final payments to the Holders of all Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, including any period established pursuant to the laws of the Cayman Islands.

### **Standard of Conduct**

The Indenture provides that, in exercising any of its or their voting rights, rights to direct and consent or any other rights as a Noteholder under the Indenture, subject to the terms and conditions of the Indenture, a Noteholder shall not have any obligation or duty to any Person or to consider or take into account the interests of any Person and shall not be liable to any Person for any action taken by it or them or at its or their direction or any failure by it or them to act or to direct that an action be taken, without regard to whether the action or inaction benefits or adversely affects any Noteholder, the Issuer, or any other Person, except for any liability to which the Noteholder may be subject to the extent the same results from the Noteholder's taking or directing an action, or failing to take or direct an action, in bad faith or in violation of the express terms of the Indenture.

### **Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture**

The Indenture will be discharged with respect to the Collateral upon delivery to the Trustee for cancellation of all of the Notes, or, within certain limitations (including the obligation to pay interest on or principal of the Notes) upon deposit with the Trustee of funds sufficient for the payment or redemption thereof and the payment by the Co-Issuers or the Issuer, as applicable, of all other amounts due under the Indenture.

## **Trustee**

State Street Bank and Trust Company will be the Trustee under the Indenture. The Co-Issuers, the Servicer and their respective Affiliates may maintain other banking relationships in the ordinary course of business with the Trustee and its Affiliates. The payment of the fees and expenses of the Trustee relating to the Notes is solely the obligation of the Issuer. The payment of the fees and expenses, which will be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments, is secured by a lien on the Collateral which is senior to the lien of the Holders of the Notes. The Trustee and its Affiliates may receive compensation in connection with the purchase of trust assets in certain Eligible Investments as provided in the Indenture. Eligible Investments may include assets for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee is the obligor or depository institution or provide services. The Indenture contains provisions for the indemnification of the Trustee for any loss, liability or expense (including reasonable attorney's fees and costs) incurred without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of the Indenture.

Pursuant to the Indenture, as security for the payment by the Issuer of the compensation and expenses of the Trustee and any sums the Trustee may be entitled to receive as indemnification by the Issuer, the Issuer will grant the Trustee a senior lien on the Collateral, which is senior to the lien of the holders of the Secured Obligations on the Collateral.

Pursuant to the Indenture, the Trustee may resign at any time by providing 30 days' written notice to the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Holders of each Class of Notes, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency, upon receipt of which the Co-Issuers shall by board resolution (or, if an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class) promptly appoint a successor trustee that meets the requirements set forth in the Indenture. If no successor trustee is appointed within 60 days after such notice, the resigning Trustee or any Holder of a Class of Notes may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of such successor. The Trustee may be removed (i) at any time by the Co-Issuers as directed by board resolution (or, if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, by a Majority of the Controlling Class) or (ii) by order of a court of competent jurisdiction. If at any time the Trustee ceases to be an eligible trustee under the Indenture and fails to resign after written request by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class, or the Trustee becomes incapable of acting or is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent, then (A) the Co-Issuers may, and at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall, remove the Trustee, or (B) any Holder of a Security may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor trustee. If the Trustee is removed or becomes incapable of acting, or if a vacancy occurs in the office of the Trustee for any reason (other than resignation), the Co-Issuers shall promptly appoint a successor trustee. If the Co-Issuers fail to appoint a successor trustee within 60 days after the removal or incapability or the occurrence of the vacancy, a successor trustee may be appointed by a Majority of the Controlling Class by written instrument. If no successor trustee has been so appointed by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class, then the Trustee to be replaced or any Holder of a Security, may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor trustee. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, no resignation or removal of the Trustee will become effective until the acceptance of appointment by a successor trustee pursuant to the terms of the Indenture.

## **Governing Law**

The Notes, the Indenture, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Subscription Agreements, the Securities Lending Agreements, and the Hedge Agreements will be governed by the laws of the State of New York. The Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares and the Issuer Charter will be governed by the laws of the Cayman Islands.

## **Method of Payments**

Payments of principal and interest on any Note or payments on or in respect of the Preference Shares (including any Redemption Price paid on the applicable Redemption Date) and of any payments on any Notes or Preference Shares will be made to the person in whose name the related Note or Preference Share is registered 15 days before the applicable Payment Date (the "**Record Date**"). Payments will be made (i) in the case of a Global Note, to the Depository or its designee and to the Holder or its nominee with respect to a Definitive Security, by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a United States dollar account maintained by the Depository or its nominee with



respect to a Global Note and to the Holder or its designee with respect to a Definitive Security if the Holder has provided written wiring instructions to the Trustee and, if the payment is to be made by the Irish Paying Agent, the Irish Paying Agent on or before the related Record Date or, (ii) if appropriate wiring instructions are not received by the related Record Date, by check drawn on a U.S. bank mailed to the address of the Holder in the Indenture Register (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the share register). Final payments of principal of the Notes or Preference Shares will be made against surrender of the related Notes or Preference Shares at the office designated by the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent. None of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, any paying agent, or any of their respective affiliates will have any responsibility or liability for any aspects of the records maintained by the Depository or its nominee or any of its direct or indirect participants (including Euroclear or Clearstream or any of their respective direct or indirect participants) relating to payments made on account of beneficial interests in a Global Note.

The Co-Issuers expect that the Depository or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment of principal or interest in respect of a Global Note held by the Depository or its nominee, will immediately credit participants' accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the Global Note as shown on the records of the Depository or its nominee. The Co-Issuers also expect that payments by participants (i.e., direct participants) to owners of beneficial interests in a Global Note held through the participants (i.e., indirect participants) will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers registered in the names of nominees for the customers. The payments will be the responsibility of the participants.

For so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the ISE and the guidelines of the exchange shall so require, the Issuer and the Co-Issuers, as applicable, will have the Irish Paying Agent for the Senior Notes in Ireland and payments on the Senior Notes may be effected through the Irish Paying Agent. If the Irish Paying Agent is replaced at any time during the period, notice of the appointment of any replacement will be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

## **Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement**

### *General*

Pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agent will perform various fiscal services with respect to the Preference Shares on behalf of the Issuer, including the maintenance of the Preference Shares Distribution Account and the making of distributions on the Preference Shares. The Preference Shares Paying Agent will deliver or request the Trustee to deliver all Monthly Reports and Valuation Reports prepared pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deliver, or shall cause the Trustee to deliver, a copy of any other notice or information it receives from the Trustee under the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case (i) by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to each Holder of a Preference Share at the address appearing in the share register of the Issuer or (ii) with respect to delivery of Monthly Reports and Valuation Reports, by making such reports available via its internet website, initially located at <http://www.cdocalc.com/ibt/cdo/>. All information made available on the Preference Shares Paying Agent's website will be restricted and the Preference Shares Paying Agent will only provide access to such reports to those parties entitled thereto pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. In connection with providing access to its website, the Preference Shares Paying Agent may require registration and the acceptance of a disclaimer. Questions regarding the Preference Shares Paying Agent's website can be directed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent's customer service desk at (617) 937-4175. The payment of the fees and expenses of the Preference Shares Paying Agent is solely the obligation of the Issuer. The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement contains provisions for the indemnification of the Preference Shares Paying Agent for any loss, liability or expense incurred without gross negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith on its part, arising out of or in connection with the performance of its function under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

### *Redemption*

On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Issuer is scheduled to redeem the Preference Shares for a redemption price equal to all amounts distributable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares as provided under "—Priority of Payments," unless the Preference Shares have been redeemed earlier through an optional redemption as described herein or otherwise.

### *Governing Law*

The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York. The rights of the Holders of the Preference Shares will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the Cayman Islands.

### *Redesignation of Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares*

The Share Registrar will record in the Share Register which Preference Shares are held by each of the Approved Class II Preference Shareholders. Any transfer of Class II Preference Shares by an Approved Class II Preference Shareholder to any Person other than any Approved Class II Preference Shareholder will convert Class II Preference Shares into Class I Preference Shares, and any transfer of Class I Preference Shares to an Approved Class II Preference Shareholder will convert Class I Preference Shares into Class II Preference Shares, and each such conversion shall be effected by a redemption by the Issuer of the applicable converting share and an issue of an equivalent number of converted shares, subject to the Issuer Charter.

### *Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities*

If the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, desires to make distributions of Eligible Equity Securities on any Payment Date in lieu of Interest Proceeds that are otherwise available for distribution to the Holders of Preference Shares on such Payment Date pursuant to the Priority of Payments, the Servicer will notify the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent not later than 20 calendar days prior to such Payment Date and provide the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding on the Record Date or promptly thereafter, but in any event no later than two Business Days after the Record Date, to each Holder of the Preference Shares registered as such on the Record Date for such Payment Date) with (i) details of the Eligible Equity Securities to be distributed, (ii) the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities determined as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date, (iii) any other information considered necessary by the Servicer in connection with such proposed distribution and (iv) any information as otherwise required by the Trustee and/or the Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such proposed distribution. The Preference Shares Paying Agent will then mail such materials, within two Business Days of its receipt thereof from the Servicer, to each registered Holder of Preference Shares on the Record Date for such Payment Date along with a form of notice and consent (in a form attached to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement) seeking the written consent of each such Holder of Preference Shares to distribute such Eligible Equity Securities to such Holder in lieu of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date. Each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares must deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent a written consent (which consent will be irrevocable) not later than five Business Days prior to such Payment Date. If any Holder of Preference Shares does not timely deliver its written consent to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in the manner set forth in such notice indicating its consent to the receipt of such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of a distribution of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date, such Holder will be deemed to have not given its consent and shall not be a Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. On each applicable Payment Date (or as soon thereafter as reasonably practicable), Eligible Equity Securities will be distributed *pro rata* to each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. Each Holder of Preference Shares that is not a Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares (and, for the avoidance of doubt, each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares to the extent the Market Value as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date of the *pro rata* portion of Eligible Equity Securities distributed to it on such Payment Date is less than the *pro rata* portion of the Interest Proceeds that it would have received on such Payment Date had the Eligible Equity Securities not been distributed on such Payment Date) on any applicable Payment Date will receive a distribution of Interest Proceeds to the extent available in accordance with the Priority of Payments on such Payment Date. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

### *Amendment*

Without the Consent of Holders. The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement may be amended by the parties thereto, without the consent of the Holders of any Preference Shares, for the purpose of curing any ambiguity, or of curing, correcting or supplementing any defective provision contained therein, or in regard to matters or questions arising under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement as the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem necessary or desirable and which shall not materially adversely affect the interests

of Holders of the Preference Shares. In addition, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement may be amended without the consent of any Holders of the Preference Shares and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Preference Shares in order to prevent the Issuer from becoming an “investment company” as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); *provided* that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such amendment, each of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer shall have received a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such amendment, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

With the Consent of Holders. Unless otherwise set forth in the preceding paragraph, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement may be amended with the consent of Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares materially and adversely affected thereby.

Any amendment to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement must be in writing, executed by each party thereto. The Preference Shares Paying Agent is entitled to receive, and (subject to the terms of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an opinion of counsel, consent or certificate of the Issuer in determining whether or not any proposed amendment is permitted under Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

Any amendment to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement that would also necessitate a change to the Issuer Charter may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Issuer Charter) has been passed to permit the Issuer Charter to be altered to conform with such proposed amendment.

### **The Issuer Charter**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Issuer Charter relating to the Preference Shares that are not referred to elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum.

#### *Voting Rights*

Other than as provided below, only the holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares shall have the right to receive notice of, attend at and vote as a shareholder of the Issuer at any general meeting of the Issuer. Every holder of an Issuer Ordinary Share present at any meeting shall, on a show of hands, be entitled to one vote and, on a poll, shall be entitled to one vote per Issuer Ordinary Share held by such holder.

Other than as provided below, the Holders of the Preference Shares shall have the right to receive notice of, attend at and vote as a shareholder of the Issuer at any general meeting of the Issuer only in respect of a resolution which relates to any circumstance or matter which under the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents or the Servicing Agreement can take place or occur only at the direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares (a “**Preference Share Vote**”). Every Holder of Preference Shares present shall, on a show of hands, be entitled to one vote and, on a poll, shall be entitled to one vote per Preference Share held by such Holder except that, in relation to a Preference Share Vote relating to certain matters (as set out in the Indenture) Preference Shares held by certain Holders (as set out in the Indenture), shall be ignored.

The Class II Preference Shares will have total control with respect to the appointment and removal of the directors of the Issuer as long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is higher than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date. If the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is lower than or equal to the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date, only the Issuer Ordinary Shares will be entitled to vote with respect to the appointment and removal of the directors of the Issuer.

#### *Liquidation*

In the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Issuer:

(i) the holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares at the time outstanding will be entitled to receive out of the assets of the Issuer available for distribution to shareholders, before any distribution of assets is made to Holders of the Preference Shares, an amount equal to U.S.\$2.00 in respect of each Issuer Ordinary Share held by each such holder; and

(ii) the Holders of the Preference Shares at the time Outstanding will be entitled to the balance of the assets of the Issuer available for distribution to shareholders, after distribution of amounts due to holders of Issuer Ordinary Shares under the above subparagraph, *pro rata* according to the number of Preference Shares held by each such holder.

If the assets available for distribution to holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares are not sufficient to pay to such holders U.S.\$2.00 in respect of each Issuer Ordinary Share, the available assets shall be distributed to holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares *pro rata* according to the number of Issuer Ordinary Shares held by each such holder.

#### *Transfer*

The rights of a Holder of a Preference Share to transfer such Preference Share are subject to restrictions set out in the Preference Share Documents and as described in “Transfer Restrictions.”

#### *Petitions for Bankruptcy*

Each Holder of a Preference Share will be required to agree (or be deemed to have agreed) not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect.

### **USE OF PROCEEDS**

The Securities will be issued and sold for Cash on the Closing Date. The net proceeds from the issuance of such Securities on the Closing Date, prior to the deduction of transaction expenses, are expected to equal approximately U.S.\$454,837,350 and will be used by the Issuer to:

- purchase a portfolio of Collateral Obligations;
- fund the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to cover any future draws on Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans;
- enter into any Hedge Agreements, as applicable;
- enter into Synthetic Security Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the related accounts);
- repay amounts owed to the Pre-Closing Parties in connection with the financing of the Issuer’s pre-closing acquisition of Collateral Obligations;
- fund the Closing Date Expense Account;
- pay certain expenses related to the transaction; and
- undertake certain related activities.

### **SECURITY FOR THE NOTES**

The Notes and the Issuer’s obligations under any Hedge Agreements and the Servicing Agreement will be secured by the following:

- (i) the Collateral Obligations and all Workout Assets;

(ii) the Custodial Account, the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Interest Reserve Account and the Securities Lending Account (such accounts, collectively, the “**Issuer Accounts**”), Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, and all income from funds in the Issuer Accounts;

(iii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account (and together with the Issuer Accounts, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the “**Accounts**”) and assets included therein, subject to the terms of the related Synthetic Security (*provided, however*, that any such rights in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee (or securities intermediary) first to secure the Issuer’s payment obligations to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty and second for the benefit of the Secured Parties);

(iv) the Servicing Agreement, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Securities Lending Agreements and all Securities Lending Collateral and the Securities Lending Account, the Hedge Agreements as set forth in the Indenture and all Collateral securing the Hedge Counterparty’s obligations thereunder including, without limitation, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account and the Collateral Administration Agreement, to the extent of any rights of the Issuer therein;

(v) all Cash or money delivered to the Trustee (or its bailee);

(vi) all securities, investments, investment property, instruments, money, general intangibles, chattel paper and agreements of any nature in which the Issuer has an interest (except for money, securities and investments in the Issuer’s bank account in the Cayman Islands), including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles or supporting obligations (each as defined in the UCC) relating thereto; and

(vii) all proceeds with respect to the foregoing (collectively, the “**Collateral**”).

For the avoidance of any doubt, Collateral will exclude (i) amounts released from the Trustee’s lien in connection with certain Synthetic Securities, Hedge Agreements and Securities Lending Agreements in accordance with the Indenture and (ii) any Excluded Property.

### **Purchase of Collateral Obligations**

The Indenture will provide that the Servicer will use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the Issuer to purchase or enter into binding commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations that meet certain minimum amounts and characteristics. The composition of the portfolio of Collateral Obligations will be determined by the selections of the Servicer designed to meet the Eligibility Criteria, the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests and the requirements provided in paragraphs (i) through (ix) in “—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations.” See “—Eligibility Criteria,” “—The Collateral Quality Tests,” “—The Coverage Tests” and “—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations.”

On the Interim Target Date (assuming for these purposes (1) settlement in accordance with customary settlement procedures in the relevant markets of all agreements entered into by the Issuer to acquire items of Collateral Obligation scheduled to settle on or following such date and (2) that each such item or Collateral Obligation is pledged as security for the Notes pursuant to this Indenture), the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee and Moody’s a statement that the Interim Target Test is satisfied (and calculations thereof in reasonable detail). Failure to satisfy the Interim Target Test on the Interim Target Date (any such failure an “**Interim Target Failure**”) will not constitute an Event of Default; *provided* that upon the occurrence of an Interim Target Failure the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall submit to Moody’s a plan with respect to which the Servicer certifies that, in the Servicer’s reasonable business judgment is sufficient to attain compliance with each applicable Collateral Quality Test by the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

The Servicer expects that, by the end of the Ramp-Up Period, the Issuer will have purchased or committed to purchase Collateral Obligations having an Aggregate Principal Balance of approximately U.S.\$510,000,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments or principal prepayments made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date).



## Eligibility Criteria

On any date during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, on any date after the Replacement Period), so long as no Event of Default is continuing, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to apply Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations) to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) if the conditions specified in the Indenture are satisfied. No obligations may be purchased unless each of the conditions in the following clauses (1) through (12) (the "**Eligibility Criteria**") is satisfied as evidenced by a certificate of the Servicer as of the date the Issuer commits to make the purchase, in each case after giving effect to the purchase and all other purchases and sales previously or simultaneously committed to:

- (1) the obligation is a Collateral Obligation;
- (2) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period:
  - (A) each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied and, if the commitment is made on or after the second Payment Date, each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied; or
  - (B) if any such Coverage Test is not satisfied, both:
    - (i) the extent of satisfaction of the Coverage Test is not reduced; and
    - (ii) the Collateral Obligation is being purchased with Principal Proceeds other than:
      - (x) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or
      - (y) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Workout Asset that has been received in exchange for a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
- (3) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Diversity Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (4) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (5) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, each of the limits in the definition of "Concentration Limitations" is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (6) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (7) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (8) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (9) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (10) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

- (11) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced; *provided, however*, that this Eligibility Criterion (11) shall not apply either to the application of the proceeds from the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset or to the application of Principal Proceeds in respect of Defaulted Collateral Obligations; and
- (12) for any date occurring after the Replacement Period:
- (A) each Coverage Test is satisfied and the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
  - (B) each Collateral Quality Test (other than the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test) is maintained or improved and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied;
  - (C) each Concentration Limitation is maintained or improved and the Aggregate Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations do not exceed 7.5% of the Maximum Amount;
  - (D) the stated maturity of such Collateral Obligation is equal to or earlier than the stated maturity of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments or the Credit Risk Obligations or Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable;
  - (E) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation is at least equal to the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments or of the Credit Risk Obligations or Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable;
  - (F) the Scenario Default Rate for all Outstanding Classes of Notes is no worse following such purchase; and
  - (G) the current Moody's Ratings on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes are no lower than their Initial Rating and the current Moody's Ratings on the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes are no lower than one subcategory below their Initial Rating.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to purchase any Collateral Obligation following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal or resignation pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement until a successor servicer is appointed pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement. See "The Servicing Agreement."

The Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, exchange a Collateral Obligation for another Collateral Obligation in an A/B Exchange.

Cash on deposit in the Collection Account may be held in Eligible Investments in accordance with this "Eligibility Criteria" section pending the application thereof to purchase Collateral Obligations.

The Indenture provides that any sale or purchase by the Issuer of a Collateral Obligation shall be conducted on an arm's length basis and, if effected with the Servicer or a person Affiliated with the Servicer or any fund or account for which the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer acts as investment adviser, shall be effected in accordance with the requirements the Servicing Agreement on terms no less favorable to the Issuer than would be the case if the person were not so Affiliated.

### **The Collateral Quality Tests**

The Collateral Quality Tests will be used primarily as criteria for purchasing Collateral Obligations. See "—Eligibility Criteria" above and "—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations" below. The Collateral Quality Tests are described below.

Measurement of the degree of compliance with the Collateral Quality Tests will be required on each Measurement Date on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

*The Diversity Test*

The “**Diversity Test**” is a test that will be satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Diversity Score as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score and, with respect to the Interim Target Date, will be satisfied if the Diversity Score equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score multiplied by the Interim Diversity Factor. For purposes of calculating the Diversity Test, any Structured Finance Obligation that is (i) a collateralized loan obligation (including any collateralized loan obligation primarily backed by other collateralized loan obligations), (ii) a Synthetic Security with respect to which the Reference Obligation is a collateralized loan obligation or (iii) a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, will be disregarded.

*Weighted Average Life Test*

The “**Weighted Average Life Test**” is a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the greater of (a) the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and May 1, 2018 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date and (b) four years.

*Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test*

The “**Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test**” is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody’s Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 44.50%.

*Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test*

The “**Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test**” is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Recovery Rate for each Class of Notes is greater than or equal to: (i) with respect to the Class A Notes, 58.50%; (ii) with respect to the Class B Notes, 61.75%; (iii) with respect to the Class C Notes, 65.00%; (iv) with respect to the Class D Notes, 67.75%; and (v) with respect to the Class E Notes, 70.75%.

*Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test*

The “**Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test**” is a test that is satisfied if, as of any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 7.5%.

*Weighted Average Spread Test*

The “**Weighted Average Spread Test**” is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread.

*Weighted Average Rating Factor Test*

The “**Weighted Average Rating Factor Test**” is a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of the Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor.

*S&P CDO Monitor Test*

The “**S&P CDO Monitor Test**” is a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive. The S&P CDO Monitor Test shall be considered to be improved if each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is at least equal to the corresponding Note Class Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio. The S&P CDO Monitor Test is not required to be satisfied or improved upon the sale of a Credit



Risk Obligation and the application of the related Sale Proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations. For purposes of the S&P CDO Monitor Test:

- (i) the S&P Rating of any S&P Unrated DIP Loan shall be “CCC”; and
- (ii) the S&P Industry Classification for a Synthetic Security shall be that of the related Reference Obligation and not the Synthetic Security.

The “**Note Class Loss Differential**” with respect to any Measurement Date and any Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the rate calculated by subtracting the Scenario Default Rate for the Class from the then-applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate for the Class of Notes.

The “**Note Break-Even Loss Rate**” with respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the maximum percentage of defaults that the Current Portfolio or Proposed Portfolio can sustain (as determined by S&P through application of the S&P CDO Monitor) and nevertheless sufficient funds will remain for the payment of principal of the Class of Notes in full by its Stated Maturity and the timely payment of interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes and the ultimate payment of interest on the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes using S&P’s assumptions on recoveries, defaults and timing, and taking into account the Priority of Payments.

On the Ramp-Up Completion Date, S&P shall provide sixteen (16) different S&P CDO Monitors to the Issuer, the Servicer, the Collateral Administrator and the Trustee, such S&P CDO Monitors corresponding to portfolios with weighted average spreads of 2.00%, 2.10%, 2.20%, 2.30%, 2.40%, 2.50%, 2.60%, 2.70%, 2.80%, 2.90%, 3.00%, 3.10%, 3.20%, 3.30%, 3.40% and 3.50%, respectively. After the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Servicer, by written notice to the Collateral Administrator, the Trustee and S&P, will elect which S&P CDO Monitor shall apply initially and, thereafter, on two Business Days written notice prior to the Measurement Date to the Collateral Administrator, Trustee and S&P, the Servicer will elect to have a different S&P CDO Monitor apply, such S&P CDO Monitor corresponding to a portfolio with a weighted average spread that is equal to or lower than the Weighted Average Spread of the Floating Rate Obligations in the Collateral at the time of such election; provided, that if the Weighted Average Spread of the Floating Rate Obligations in the Collateral at the time of such election is less than 2.00%, then the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will request S&P to provide a different S&P CDO Monitor which has a weighted average spread equal to or lower than the Weighted Average Spread of the Floating Rate Obligations in the Collateral. For the avoidance of doubt, the selection of an S&P CDO Monitor as described in this paragraph shall be separate and independent of any election of the Servicer with respect to the Ratings Matrix.

## **The Coverage Tests**

### *General*

The Coverage Tests will be used to determine, among other things, whether Notes will be redeemed in certain circumstances as described under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments” and whether additional Collateral Obligations may be acquired as described under “—Eligibility Criteria.” There will not be any Coverage Test applicable to the Preference Shares.

### *The Overcollateralization Tests*

The “**Overcollateralization Tests**” will consist of the Class A/B Overcollateralization Test, the Class C Overcollateralization Test, the Class D Overcollateralization Test and the Class E Overcollateralization Test.

Each Overcollateralization Test will be satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes on any Measurement Date if, as of such Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the specified required level for the Class indicated in the table in “Summary of Terms—The Overcollateralization Tests.”

The Overcollateralization Ratio, with respect to each Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, is referred to as an “**Overcollateralization Ratio**,” and is the ratio calculated by *dividing*:

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator; by

- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it (including any Deferred Interest on the Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it); *provided* that the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes shall constitute one Class of Notes for purposes of the Overcollateralization Ratio relating to such Classes of Notes.

The “**Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator**” is, on any date, the sum of:

- (1) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (other than any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, any Deep Discount Obligations, any Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an “event of default” (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing and any Structured Finance Obligation that has an overcollateralization-based event of default with ratings based haircuts (including CCC excess securities haircuts)); *plus*
- (2) unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal (excluding any unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal in respect of Non-Performing Collateral Obligations); *plus*
- (3) the Aggregate Principal Balance of any Eligible Investments that were purchased with Principal Proceeds and the amount of Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
- (4) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Eligible Investments on deposit in a Securities Lending Account that relate to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an “event of default” (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing; *plus*
- (5) with respect to Collateral Obligations that are Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, Deep Discount Obligations or Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, the amount determined by using one of the following methods applicable to such type of Collateral Obligation; *provided* that if a Collateral Obligation falls within more than one of such types, the Issuer will be required to use the method that results in the smallest amount:
  - (A) with respect to any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, an amount equal to the product of (i) the CCC+/Caa1 Excess Market Value Percentage, *multiplied by* (ii) the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations;
  - (B) with respect to any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, the aggregate of the Applicable Collateral Obligation Amounts for all included Non-Performing Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations that have been held by the Issuer for more than three years, which shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this clause (B)); and
  - (C) with respect to any Deep Discount Obligations, the Aggregate Purchase Price Amount for all Deep Discount Obligations.

“**Applicable Collateral Obligation Amount**” for any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation means:

- (1) the lesser of (x) the Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation and (y) the Applicable Percentage for the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation *multiplied by*:
- (2) if the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation is:
  - (A) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (B) through (D) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
  - (B) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
  - (C) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer’s obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and
  - (D) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

As used in the calculation of Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation, the Principal Balance of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall be, if the Defaulted Collateral Obligation is:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (ii) through (iv) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and
- (iv) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

#### *The Interest Coverage Tests*

The Interest Coverage Test in respect of each Class of Notes (each an “**Interest Coverage Test**”) is a test the first Measurement Date for which will be on the second Payment Date and that is satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level specified in the table in “Summary of Terms— The Interest Coverage Tests.”

The “**Interest Coverage Ratio**” with respect to any specified Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by *dividing*:

- (i) the sum of:
  - (A) the Interest Proceeds received or scheduled to be received with respect to the Due Period in which the Measurement Date occurs; *minus*
  - (B) Aggregate Base Fees and Expenses on the related Payment Date; *by*
- (ii) all accrued and unpaid interest on such Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it (excluding any Deferred Interest on the Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it) on the related Payment Date; *provided* that the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes shall constitute one Class of Notes for purposes of the Interest Coverage Ratio relating to such Classes of Notes.

For purposes of the Interest Coverage Ratio, only the amount of any interest payment (including any “gross up” payment) on any Collateral Obligation in excess of any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction on any date of determination shall be included in Interest Proceeds.

#### *Interest Diversion Test*

The “**Interest Diversion Test**” is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Interest Diversion Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 106.00%.

#### **Ramp-Up**

In connection with the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period or enter into commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period for purchase on or as soon as practicable thereafter (not to exceed 60 days thereafter), in each case, for inclusion in the Collateral so that the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes is at least U.S.\$510,000,000.

No Collateral Obligations may be purchased prior to the Ramp-Up Completion Date unless immediately following the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (as certified by the Servicer in writing), the remaining funds in the Collection Account, after giving effect to such purchase, are sufficient as of the date of determination to purchase Collateral Obligations for inclusion in the Collateral so that the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with

respect to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes is at least U.S.\$510,000,000 (taking into account the Collateral Obligations already part of the Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments or principal prepayments made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date)).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, or any other provision of the Indenture, if the Issuer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase a Collateral Obligation to be included in the Collateral, such commitment initially not to exceed 60 days, and at the time of the commitment the Collateral Obligation complied with the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and the requirements set forth under “—Ramp-Up,” the Issuer may consummate the purchase of the Collateral Obligation notwithstanding that the Collateral Obligation fails to comply with the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and the requirements set out above on the date of settlement.

The Issuer will use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase, or to enter into binding agreements to purchase, Collateral Obligations by the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that, together with the Collateral Obligations purchased on or before the Closing Date and then held by the Issuer, will satisfy, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments or principal prepayments made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date), the Collateral Quality Tests, the Concentration Limitations, the criteria set forth in the Indenture and the Overcollateralization Tests.

No later than 10 Business Days after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer shall deliver a Ramp-Up Notice to each of the Rating Agencies and request in writing that each of S&P and Moody’s confirm in writing within 25 days of delivery of such Ramp-Up Notice that it has not reduced or withdrawn the Initial Ratings; *provided, however,* that the Issuer shall not be required to request a Rating Confirmation from Moody’s if, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date Moody’s has received, as described below, an accountant’s certificate confirming (i) the Issuer is in compliance with each of the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests and the Concentration Limitations and (ii) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator of the Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owns or has committed to purchase is at least equal to U.S.\$510,000,000. In connection with such request or, in the case of Moody’s, in lieu of such request, the Issuer shall provide a report to the Rating Agencies identifying the Collateral Obligations then included in the Collateral and the Issuer shall obtain and deliver to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies, together with the delivery of a report (and, with respect to S&P, the Excel Default Model Input File (if applicable)) substantially in the form of a Monthly Report as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, an accountants’ certificate:

(i) confirming the maturity date, rating, spread and recovery rate for each item of original Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date and the information provided by the Issuer with respect to every other asset included in the Collateral, by reference to such sources as shall be specified therein;

(ii) confirming that as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date:

- (1) each of the Coverage Tests are satisfied;
- (2) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator of Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owned or committed to purchase as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date is at least equal to the Maximum Amount; and
- (3) the Collateral Obligations comply with all of the requirements of the Collateral Quality Tests, the Concentration Limitations and the criteria set forth in “—Eligibility Criteria;” and

(iii) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing statements.

If a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, the Notes will be redeemed pursuant to the Indenture and as described in “Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes upon Rating Confirmation Failure.”

**Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations**

Pursuant to the Indenture and so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell (and the Trustee will sell) any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset if the sale meets the requirements in paragraphs (i) through (ix) below:

- (i) *Credit Risk Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Risk Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Risk Obligation in accordance with such direction. Following any sale of a Credit Risk Obligation pursuant to the Indenture, at the direction of the Servicer during the Replacement Period, the Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (to the extent the purchase is in the best interest of the Issuer) meeting the Eligibility Criteria with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Sale Proceeds received by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral Obligation sold. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount.
- (ii) *Credit Improved Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Improved Obligation if either:
  - (1) during the Replacement Period, the Servicer has identified in writing before the sale one or more specific manners in which it will be able, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria and the requirements set forth in paragraph (ix) below, to cause the Issuer to use the Sale Proceeds (it being understood that such identification shall not be considered either a requirement or an assurance that any specified purchase will be consummated) to purchase one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Credit Improved Obligation by the end of the immediately succeeding Due Period (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest) which in aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Tests, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith being improved, (ii) the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests and Concentration Limitations being improved on a net basis in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased; and
  - (2) after the Replacement Period, the Sale Proceeds received in respect of the Credit Improved Obligation are at least equal to its Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest);

and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Improved Obligation in accordance with such direction.
- (iii) *Non-Performing Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction. Non-Performing Collateral Obligations may be sold regardless of price.
- (iv) *Non-qualifying Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation (the “**Non-Qualifying Collateral Obligation**”) at any time



during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell that obligation in accordance with such direction.

- (v) *Withholding Tax Sales.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation subject to withholding tax at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction.
- (vi) *Optional Redemption.* After the Issuer has notified the Trustee of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all or a portion of the Collateral Obligations as contemplated therein if (A) the requirements in respect of an Optional Redemption under the Indenture have been satisfied and (B) the independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to the Indenture have confirmed the calculations contained in any required certificate furnished by the Servicer pursuant to the Indenture's Note redemption procedure provisions. After the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares have requested an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Indenture, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all of the remaining Collateral Obligations (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to clause (i) under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares") or a portion of the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous written request of Holders of the Preference Shares (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to clause (ii) under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares") and the Trustee shall sell the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.
- (vii) *Rating Confirmation Failure.* After the Servicer has received notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Securities, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell Collateral Obligations as contemplated in the Indenture and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.
- (viii) *Workout Assets.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Workout Asset at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and regardless of price, and the Trustee shall sell the Workout Assets in accordance with such direction.
- (ix) *Supervening Requirement.* Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Issuer (at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise) will not acquire or dispose of a Collateral Obligation or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. For the avoidance of doubt, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise, may direct the Trustee to sell any CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation or Deep Discount Obligation only (a) if it constitutes Credit Risk Obligation or Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or (b) in connection with the Optional Redemption as set out in paragraph (vi) above. The Trustee will have no obligation to monitor compliance by the Issuer or the Servicer with respect to the requirement set out in this paragraph.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation (other than the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation or a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation pursuant to a sale that meets the requirements in paragraph (i) or (iii) above, as applicable) following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement until a successor servicer is appointed pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement. See "The Servicing Agreement."

#### **Certain Determinations Relating to Collateral Obligations**

The Indenture provides that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained therein, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have purchased any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to purchase, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to receive such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have acquired, granted or delivered, as the case may be, such Collateral Obligations on such date.

The Indenture provides that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained therein, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to sell, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to sell, and requiring the purchaser to purchase, such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold such Collateral Obligations on such date.

Under the circumstances described in the two preceding paragraphs, if the transaction contemplated by the contract, commitment letter, confirmation or due bill referred to therein does not settle on or before the 60th day following the scheduled settlement date (the “**Deadline**”), the deemed purchase or sale shall be deemed not to have occurred; *provided, however*, that the Servicer shall have the right to extend the Deadline for an additional period (not to exceed an additional 60 days) by notice to the Trustee, which notice shall include the Servicer’s certification to the effect that the Servicer believes that the settlement shall occur on or before the extended Deadline.

Scheduled distributions with respect to any Pledged Obligation shall be determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Indenture.

### **Certain Conditions Relating to Synthetic Securities**

Each Synthetic Security that is a credit default swap the Reference Obligations of which are Loans shall require each such Reference Obligation to be denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars.

The maturity, interest rate, and other non credit characteristics of a Synthetic Security may be different from the Reference Obligations to which the credit risk of the Synthetic Security relates.

No Synthetic Security shall require the Issuer to make any payment to the Synthetic Security Counterparty after its initial purchase other than any payments represented by the release of any cash collateral posted by the Issuer from the Collection Account to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account simultaneously with the Issuer’s purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of the posted cash collateral. Collateral may be posted only to a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account. No Synthetic Security shall result in the Issuer being a “buyer” of credit protection.

The term Synthetic Security shall not include any Structured Finance Obligation or any Participation, but the Reference Obligation of a Synthetic Security may be a Structured Finance Obligation.

Each Synthetic Security Agreement shall contain appropriate limited recourse and non petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those contained in the Indenture.

The ownership or disposition of any Synthetic Security (without regard to the Issuer’s other activities) must not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

Unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any “deliverable obligation” that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any “credit event” under any proposed Synthetic Security must not provide that its transfer to the Issuer is subject to obtaining any consents and must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such “deliverable obligation” is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any “credit event”) as a Collateral Obligation and satisfy the Concentration Limitations under the Indenture, except that such “deliverable obligation” may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a “credit event” and if the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security is a Senior Secured Loan then the “deliverable obligation” under the Synthetic Security must also be a Senior Secured Loan.

No Synthetic Security may provide for any event other than bankruptcy or a failure to pay as a “credit event.”

No Synthetic Security may provide for termination by the Synthetic Security Counterparty at any time (i) after a declaration of acceleration of Maturity of the Notes has been made upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, unless such declaration and its consequences may no longer be rescinded and annulled in accordance with the

Indenture and liquidation of the Collateral has begun or (ii) upon an Optional Redemption, unless the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date has passed and no notice of withdrawal has been issued.

For purposes of the Coverage Tests and the Interest Diversion Test, unless the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied in respect of any proposed alternative treatment, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of calculating compliance with the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), the Coverage Tests and the Interest Diversion Test, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in the Indenture, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligations.

For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in the Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in the Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligations.

With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, for purposes of: (i) calculating compliance with the Diversity Test, the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test, and the Concentration Limitations (other than limits relating to payment characteristics and except for clause 15, and the exception thereto, of the definition of "Concentration Limitations"), and all related definitions, and (ii) any other provision or definition of the Indenture involving a determination with respect to a Reference Obligation, the characteristics of such Reference Obligations shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each such Reference Obligation in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation. In addition, each Reference Obligation under such Synthetic Security shall be assigned a Moody's Rating Factor equal to the sum of the Moody's Rating Factor of (i) the related Reference Obligor, (ii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty of such Synthetic Security and (iii) the Synthetic Security Collateral of such Synthetic Security. In addition, the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate in respect of a Synthetic Security referencing multiple Reference Obligations pursuant to this paragraph shall be the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate as assigned by Moody's to each Reference Obligation underlying such Synthetic Security. For the avoidance of doubt, Reference Obligations upon which a Synthetic Security is based as described in this paragraph must meet the definition of "Collateral Obligation" to the extent provided in this definition.

If the Rating Condition must be satisfied to execute the purchase of any Synthetic Security, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall give each applicable Rating Agency not less than five days' prior notice of the purchase of or entry into any Synthetic Security.

## **The Accounts**

The Indenture provides that the Trustee will establish separate segregated non-interest bearing trust accounts, which will be designated as the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Custodial Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Securities Lending Account and the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account. In addition, Synthetic Security Counterparty Accounts may also be established. The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement provides that the Preference Shares Paying Agent will establish a segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Preference Shares Distribution Account. Any account may contain any number of subaccounts.



*Collection Account.* The Trustee shall deposit into the “**Collection Account**”:

- (i) any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account pursuant to the Indenture;
- (ii) all Principal Proceeds (unless (1) simultaneously used to purchase Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture, (2) deposited into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or (3) posted by the Issuer as cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer’s purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security or in Eligible Investments) received by the Trustee;
- (iii) all Interest Proceeds received by the Trustee (unless simultaneously used to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture or in Eligible Investments); and
- (iv) all other funds received by the Trustee from the Collateral and not excluded above.

The Issuer and the Servicer may, but will not be required to, jointly deposit from time to time any monies in the Collection Account it deems, in its sole discretion, to be advisable (and may designate any amounts so deposited as Principal Proceeds or Interest Proceeds in its discretion).

Any Principal Proceeds received during the Replacement Period, and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments received after the Replacement Period, which have not been used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations on the Business Day of receipt shall be deposited in the Collection Account and shall at the direction of the Servicer be applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the other requirements set forth in the Indenture or the purchase of Eligible Investments pending such application or used to enter into additional Hedge Agreements or used in connection with a Special Redemption. Principal Proceeds (other than Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Risk Obligations, Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments) received after the Replacement Period shall be deposited into the Collection Account and applied to the purchase of Eligible Investments.

The Collection Account shall be maintained for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer and each Hedge Counterparty and amounts on deposit in the Collection Account will be available for application in the order of priority under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments” and for the acquisition of Collateral Obligations under the circumstances and pursuant to the requirements in the Indenture. Amounts received in the Collection Account during a Due Period and amounts received in prior Due Periods and retained in the Collection Account under the circumstances stated above in “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments” will be applied in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions). All proceeds deposited in the Collection Account will be retained therein unless used to purchase Collateral Obligations during the Replacement Period (or, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period) in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria, to honor commitments with respect thereto entered into during or after the Replacement Period, or used as otherwise permitted under the Indenture. See “—Eligibility Criteria.”

At any time during or after the Replacement Period, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to pay from amounts on deposit in the Collection Account on any Business Day during any Interest Period from Interest Proceeds only, any Administrative Expenses that require payment before the next Payment Date to the extent that the amount of the payments does not exceed the aggregate amount that may be paid on the next payment Date under, and at the level of priority specified by, “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

The Trustee shall transfer to the Payment Account from the Collection Account for application pursuant to the Priority of Payments, no later than the Business Day preceding each Payment Date, the amount set forth to be so transferred in the Valuation Report for the Payment Date.

*Custodial Account.* The Trustee will from time to time deposit collateral into the “**Custodial Account**,” over which the Trustee will have exclusive control and sole right of withdrawal, in accordance with the Indenture. All assets or securities at any time on deposit in or otherwise to the credit of the Custodial Account will be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer and each Hedge Counterparty.

*Revolving Reserve Account and Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account.* Upon the purchase of any Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, at the direction of the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit Principal Proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account, in the case of a Revolving Loan, and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, in the case of a Delayed Drawdown Loan, each equal to the unfunded Commitment Amount of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, respectively, and the Principal Proceeds so deposited shall be considered part of the Purchase Price of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan for purposes of the Indenture. At the direction of the Servicer at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall withdraw funds from the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to fund extensions of credit pursuant to Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans, respectively. In addition, to the extent that the Issuer receives proceeds of a repayment in respect of a Revolving Loan (except to the extent of any concurrent commitment reduction) at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall deposit the proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account.

Upon the sale of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan in whole or in part or the reduction in part or termination of the Issuer's commitment thereunder, an amount on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, as the case may be, specified by the Servicer as being equal to (i) the unfunded amount of the commitment (in the case of a sale in whole or a termination of the commitment), (ii) the proportionate amount of the amount on deposit (in the case of a sale in part) or (iii) the amount by which the commitment is reduced (in the case of a reduction thereof in part), shall be transferred by the Trustee to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds.

Amounts on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account will be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) not later than the Business Day after the date of their purchase. All interest and other income from amounts in the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account under the Indenture shall be considered Interest Proceeds in the Due Period in which they are so deposited.

*Synthetic Security Collateral Account.* On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Synthetic Security the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the non-interest bearing trust account established for Synthetic Security Collateral (the "**Synthetic Security Collateral Account**") with respect to the Synthetic Security. All Synthetic Security Collateral posted by any Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Synthetic Security shall be immediately deposited into the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Synthetic Security. On each day on which amounts are payable to the Issuer out of Synthetic Security Collateral, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to withdraw amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in an amount sufficient to make the payment (including any total or partial release of Synthetic Security Collateral). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be:

- (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty to the Issuer under a Synthetic Security if the Synthetic Security becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the Synthetic Security upon any "event of default" under and as defined in the terms of the Synthetic Security, including liquidating the related Synthetic Security Collateral Account; or
- (ii) to return the Synthetic Security Collateral to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty when and as required by the terms of the Synthetic Security, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account will be held in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities not later than one Business Day after their purchase, as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions), and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.* The Trustee will deposit all collateral received from a Hedge Counterparty under any Hedge Agreement into the "**Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account**." The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account will be (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer under a Hedge Agreement if the Hedge Agreement becomes subject to early termination or (ii) to return

collateral to the relevant Hedge Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Hedge Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer. Amounts on deposit in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account will be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Closing Date Expense Account.* Amounts deposited in the “**Closing Date Expense Account**” on the Closing Date will be withdrawn to pay certain administrative expenses of the Co-Issuers. On the Payment Date in November 2008, the Trustee, at the direction of the Servicer in its sole discretion, shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account to the Collection Account as Interest Proceeds (to the extent such funds are not required to be applied to cure a Rating Confirmation Failure) or Principal Proceeds and close the Closing Date Expense Account. Amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account shall be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the second Payment Date as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Expense Reimbursement Account.* On any Payment Date and on any date between Payment Dates, the Trustee will apply amounts, if any, in the “**Expense Reimbursement Account**” to the payment of expenses and fees that must be paid between Payment Dates or that are due on that Payment Date under clauses (A) through (C) of “—Priority of Payments—Adjusted Proceeds” and the Trustee shall on any Payment Date transfer to the Expense Reimbursement Account an amount equal to the excess, if any of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts due under clauses (A) through (C) of “—Priority of Payments—Adjusted Proceeds” to the Expense Reimbursement Account in accordance with clause (D) of “—Priority of Payments—Adjusted Proceeds”; *provided* that the Trustee shall be entitled (but not required), without liability on its part, to refrain from making such payments if, in the reasonable determination of the Trustee, the payment of such amounts would leave insufficient funds available to pay in full each of the items described in the Priority of Payments in amounts reasonably anticipated by the Trustee to be payable on the next Payment Date, or would result in payments being made that are inconsistent with the items described in the Priority of Payments. Amounts on deposit in the Expense Reimbursement Account shall be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions), no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date.

*Securities Lending Account.* The Trustee will deposit all Securities Lending Collateral posted by any Securities Lending Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Securities Lending Agreement in a non-interest bearing trust account (the “**Securities Lending Account**”). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Securities Lending Account will be (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty to the Issuer under a Securities Lending Agreement if the Securities Lending Agreement becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the Securities Lending Agreement upon any “event of default” under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement, including liquidating the related Securities Lending Collateral or (ii) to return collateral to the Securities Lending Counterparty when and as required by a Securities Lending Agreement. Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the loaned security or asset that relates to the Securities Lending Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer.

*Payment Account.* The Trustee will deposit collateral into the “**Payment Account**,” over which the Trustee will have exclusive control and sole right of withdrawal, in accordance with the Indenture. All assets or securities at any time on deposit in or otherwise to the credit of the Payment Account will be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer, and each Hedge Counterparty. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Payment Account shall be to pay amounts due and payable on the Notes and to pay Administrative Expenses and other amounts specified in the Indenture, each in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

*Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account.* With respect to any Payment Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion (or all) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer, from available funds in the

Payment Account as provided in the Priority of Payments, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. On the first Payment Date that the Servicer elects to waive a portion (or all) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee and the Trustee shall establish the “**Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account**”. On each Payment Date that the Servicer elects to waive a portion (or all) of its Servicing Fees, to the extent of available funds in accordance with the Priority of Payments, the Trustee will deposit into the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account amounts equal to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

*Interest Reserve Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a segregated non-interest bearing trust account (the “**Interest Reserve Account**”) that shall be held in trust for the benefit of the Secured Parties and over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. The Trustee shall credit to the Interest Reserve Account the Interest Reserve Amount, from the deposit made therein as provided in the Indenture. All amounts in the Interest Reserve Account shall be applied on the November 2008 Payment Date as Adjusted Interest Proceeds in accordance with the provisions of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds”.

*Synthetic Security Counterparty Account.* To the extent that any Synthetic Security requires the Issuer to secure its obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty or to the extent that any Synthetic Security has an unfunded amount payable by the Issuer that does not by its terms require collateral, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee and the Trustee shall establish a segregated non-interest bearing trust account (the “**Synthetic Security Counterparty Account**”) for the Synthetic Security which shall be held in trust for the benefit of the related Synthetic Security Counterparty and over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security as directed by the Servicer. In the alternative, a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account may be established with a trustee designated by the Synthetic Security Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that trustee would qualify to be a successor trustee under the Indenture and the account satisfies the other requirements of a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account under the Indenture.

As directed in writing by the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit (or deliver for deposit) into each Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, from funds or Eligible Investments on deposit in the Collection Account, all amounts or securities that are required to secure the obligations of the Issuer in accordance with the related Synthetic Security and, without duplication, an amount equal to the unfunded amount of a Synthetic Security, including the entire notional amount of any Synthetic Security in the form of a credit default swap or other similar transaction, in each case as directed by the Servicer. The Servicer shall direct any such deposit only during the Replacement Period and only to the extent that monies are available for the purchase of Collateral Obligations pursuant to the Indenture. Any income received on amounts in the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall, after application in accordance with the relevant Synthetic Security, be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Interest Proceeds.

As directed by the Servicer in writing and in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and the Indenture, amounts on deposit in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in Synthetic Security Collateral.

In connection with the occurrence of a credit event or an event of default or a termination event (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security) under the related Synthetic Security, amounts in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be withdrawn by the Trustee (or the Trustee shall request their withdrawal) and applied toward the payment of any amounts payable by the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the Synthetic Security, as directed by the Servicer in writing; *provided* that any Defaulted Synthetic Security Termination Payments will be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Any excess amounts held in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, or held directly by a Synthetic Security Counterparty, after payment of all amounts owing from the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the related Synthetic Security shall be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Principal Proceeds.



Amounts on deposit in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the Synthetic Security that relates to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer (with the notional amount as the Principal Balance unless a default exists under the applicable Synthetic Security).

### **Hedge Agreements**

At any time and from time to time on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, may enter into the Hedge Agreements and will assign its rights (but none of its obligations) under the Hedge Agreements to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture. The Trustee will, on behalf of the Issuer and in accordance with the Valuation Report, pay amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements on any Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

The Issuer will not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless at the time of entering into such Hedge Agreement the Hedge Counterparty has the ratings specified in such Hedge Agreement.

If at any time a Hedge Counterparty does not have the required ratings as set forth in the Hedge Agreement, the Hedge Counterparty shall be required to take such actions as are set forth in the relevant Hedge Agreement.

Whenever the Issuer enters into a Hedge Agreement, the Hedge Counterparty thereto shall comply with the then currently applicable rating criteria of each Rating Agency from time to time.

Any payments required to be made under the Hedge Agreements shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments shall be subordinate to interest and principal payments on the Notes and any other payments required to be made by the Issuer under the Hedge Agreements, but senior to distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Indenture.

Unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is otherwise satisfied, following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall promptly (but no later than 60 days after the early termination), and to the extent possible through Hedge Termination Receipts, enter into a replacement hedge, unless, in the exercise of the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment, to do so would not be in the best interest of the Issuer and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to not entering into a replacement hedge. In addition, a replacement hedge may not be entered into unless the Issuer provides the Rating Agencies with at least seven Business Days' prior written notice of its intention to enter into a replacement hedge, together with its form and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the replacement hedge. The Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than a termination resulting from the bankruptcy, insolvency or similar event with respect to the Hedge Counterparty) to become effective simultaneously with its entering into a replacement hedge. To the extent that (i) the Servicer determines not to replace the Hedge Agreement and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the determination; or (ii) termination is occurring on a Redemption Date, the Hedge Termination Receipts shall become part of Principal Proceeds and be distributed in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the next following Payment Date (or on the Redemption Date, if the Notes are redeemed on the Redemption Date).

The notional amounts of the Hedge Agreements outstanding at any time may be reduced or increased from time to time by the Issuer, and the Hedge Agreements may be amended, modified or terminated in accordance with the Hedge Agreements if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the reduction, increase, amendment, modification or termination, as the case may be.

Each Hedge Agreement may be terminated pursuant to its terms by the Hedge Counterparty upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes (but only after the applicable notice of redemption may no longer be withdrawn pursuant to the Indenture), an acceleration of maturity of the Notes after an Event of Default or the entry into certain amendments to the Indenture without the consent of the Hedge Counterparty. The Hedge Agreement will not be permitted to be terminated by the Issuer as the result of a default or Event of Default unless any acceleration of maturity of the Notes resulting from the Event of Default is no longer permitted to be rescinded pursuant to the Indenture.

Except for Hedge Agreements entered into on or before the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied.

### **Securities Lending**

The Indenture permits the Issuer to engage in a limited number of securities lending transactions as described below.

So long as no Event of Default is continuing and if after the completion of the transaction the limit in clause (29) of the definition of "Concentration Limitations" would be satisfied, the Servicer may cause Collateral Obligations that are not Defaulted Collateral Obligations to be lent for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) having long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or guarantors with ratings of at least "A1" (and not "A1" but on credit watch with negative implications) and "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's and a short-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A-1", or if no short-term rating exists, a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A+" from S&P (each, a "**Securities Lending Counterparty**") pursuant to one or more agreements (each, a "**Securities Lending Agreement**"); *provided* that Collateral Obligations the Market Value of which cannot be determined under clause (i), (ii) or (iii) of that definition may not be lent pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement. Upon receipt of an Issuer Order, the Trustee shall release any lent Collateral Obligations to a Securities Lending Counterparty as directed by the Servicer. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser or Affiliates of the Servicer. The duration of any Securities Lending Agreement shall not exceed the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

Each Securities Lending Agreement shall be on market terms as determined by the Servicer (except to the extent specified in the Indenture) and shall:

- (i) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty return to the Issuer debt obligations that are identical (in terms of issue and class) to the lent Collateral Obligations;
- (ii) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty pay to the Issuer amounts equivalent to all interest and other payments that the owner of the lent Collateral Obligation is entitled to for the period during which the Collateral Obligation is lent and require that any such payments not be subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the Securities Lending Counterparty is required under the Securities Lending Agreement to make "gross-up" payments to the Issuer that cover the full amount of the withholding tax on an after-tax basis;
- (iii) require that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency shall be satisfied with respect to the execution of the Securities Lending Agreement;
- (iv) satisfy any other requirements of Section 1058 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated under it;
- (v) be governed by the laws of New York;
- (vi) permit the Issuer to assign its rights under the Securities Lending Agreement to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture;
- (vii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Collateral Obligation becomes a Credit Risk Obligation or is subject to redemption in accordance with its terms;
- (viii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty upon any redemption of the Notes in whole;
- (ix) require the Securities Lending Counterparty to post with the Trustee collateral consisting of cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the Securities Lending Agreement (the "**Securities Lending Collateral**") to secure its obligation to return the Collateral Obligations or in the

alternative post that collateral with a custodian for the benefit of the Issuer designated by the Securities Lending Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that custodian would qualify to be a successor trustee under the Indenture;

- (x) provide that the Securities Lending Collateral shall be maintained at all times in an amount equal to at least 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value (determined daily and monitored by the Servicer) of the lent Collateral Obligations and if securities are delivered to the Trustee as security for the obligations of the Securities Lending Counterparty under the related Securities Lending Agreement, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will negotiate with the Securities Lending Counterparty a rate for the loan fee to be paid to the Issuer for lending the lent Collateral Obligations;
- (xi) the lent Collateral Obligations shall be marked-to-market on a daily basis by the Servicer on the basis of their Market Value;
- (xii) the Collateral will include the Issuer's rights under the related Securities Lending Agreement rather than the loaned Collateral Obligation;
- (xiii) provide for early termination within 10 days at the option of the Issuer and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Securities Lending Counterparty is no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty and the noncompliance is not cured as provided in the Indenture; and
- (xiv) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Securities Lending Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those in the Indenture.

In addition, each Securities Lending Agreement must provide that if either Moody's or S&P downgrades a Securities Lending Counterparty such that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party are no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty, then the Issuer, within 10 days of the downgrade, shall (i) terminate its Securities Lending Agreements with the Securities Lending Counterparty unless a guarantor with the required ratings for the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements has been obtained; or (ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations lent to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty so that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party, together with all other Securities Lending Agreements, are in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of Securities Lending Counterparties; or (iii) take any other steps Moody's or S&P may require to cause the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party to be treated by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, as if the obligations were owed by a counterparty having a rating at least equivalent to the rating that was assigned by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty before its being downgraded.

The Servicer shall instruct the Trustee in writing with respect to the administration of any Securities Lending Agreement (including with respect to any default and the exercise of rights under it). The Trustee shall not have any responsibility for evaluating the sufficiency, validity or acceptability of any Securities Lending Agreement or for the qualifications or eligibility of any Securities Lending Counterparty. Nothing in the Indenture shall be construed to cause the Trustee to have any fiduciary duties to any Securities Lending Counterparty.

So long as any Collateral Obligation is on loan pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement, (a) the Trustee shall have no liability for any failure or inability on its part to receive any information or take any action with respect to the Collateral Obligation because of its being on loan (including any failure to take action with respect to a notice of redemption, consent solicitation, exchange or tender offer, or similar corporate action) and (b) the loaned Collateral Obligations shall not be disqualified for return to the Trustee as a Collateral Obligation by any change in circumstance or status during the time while on loan (including any change that would cause the Collateral Obligation to be ineligible for purchase by the Issuer under the Indenture if applied to a proposed purchase of it in the open market at the time of its return from loan).

## **MATURITY AND PREPAYMENT CONSIDERATIONS**

The Stated Maturity of each Class of Notes will be November 1, 2018 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date; however, the principal of each Class of the Notes is expected to be paid in full prior to its Stated Maturity (or Extended Stated Maturity Date, as applicable). Average life refers to the average amount of time that will elapse from the date of delivery of a security until each dollar of the principal of such security will be paid to the investor. The average lives of the Notes will be determined by the amount and frequency of principal payments, which are dependent upon, among other things, the amount of sinking fund payments and any other payments received at or in advance of the scheduled maturity of Collateral Obligations (whether through sale, maturity, redemption, default or other liquidation or disposition).

The actual performance of the Securities will also be affected by the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral Obligations and the characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, including the interest rate or other rate of distribution, the actual default rate and actual losses sustained, the existence and frequency of exercise of any prepayment, optional redemption, or sinking fund features and any related premium, the prevailing level of interest rates, any sales of Collateral Obligations, and any unique risks of the Collateral Obligations. Any disposition of a Collateral Obligation may change the composition and characteristics of the portfolio of Collateral Obligations and their rate of payment, and, accordingly, may affect the actual performance of each respective Class of Securities. The ability of the Issuer to apply any Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds in the manner described under "Security for the Notes" will also affect the performance of the Securities. Redemptions will also affect the performance of the Securities.

## **THE SERVICER**

*The information appearing in this section has been prepared by the Servicer and has not been independently verified by the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchaser. Accordingly, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, neither the Co-Issuers nor the Initial Purchaser assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or applicability of such information.*

### **General**

Based in Dallas, Texas, Highland Capital is a registered investment adviser specializing in below investment-grade credit and special situation investing. As of December 31, 2007, Highland Capital managed or serviced over \$39 billion in leveraged loans, high yield bonds, structured products and other assets for banks, insurance companies, pension plans, foundations and high net worth individuals.

Highland Capital manages or services these assets through a variety of fund structures including separate accounts, CDOs, hedge funds and mutual funds. As of December 31, 2007, Highland Capital invested in, managed or serviced more than 1,700 below investment grade and credit sensitive credit positions, and Highland Capital's 134-person credit team followed investment grade and credit sensitive credit positions across over 36 industries. Highland Capital or an Affiliate or predecessor thereof has been an SEC-registered investment adviser since April 1993.

### **Philosophy and Process**

Highland Capital has a large range and depth of experience. It has expertise in the fields of syndicated loans, high yield bonds, and distressed assets. Highland Capital believes it is in a position to maximize the spread differential between the yields on underlying collateral and the cost of financing. In addition, Highland Capital seeks to construct portfolios to (a) maximize relative value based on its credit views and (b) maximize diversification in order to minimize the effect of isolated credit events on the overall portfolio, utilizing Highland Capital's infrastructure to minimize defaults of underlying assets and to maximize recoveries in the case of defaults. Highland Capital has over \$1 billion of firm capital exposure to the firm's funds and expects that HFP, an Affiliate of the Servicer, and/or one or more of HFP's subsidiaries will on the Closing Date purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares.

Highland Capital believes that its disciplined selection process minimizes a portfolio's risk and that its analysis seeks to maximize yield spread while limiting downside risk. Portfolio managers actively follow each credit and



several times each year the entire staff reviews all positions during multi-day monitoring meetings. Highland Capital diversifies its portfolios with set limits on exposure to any one given industry or issuer. Highland Capital believes that this philosophy and selection process has resulted in positive returns on its underlying loan portfolio and consistent outperformance relative to its indices.

Highland Capital focuses on a “team” approach that it has used since 1990. It is Highland Capital management’s belief that this style creates the optimum environment for the exchange of information and the development of all asset management professionals. All aspects of the selection, monitoring and servicing process are coordinated through the senior asset portfolio managers’ direct interaction. A committee of senior portfolio managers and analysts, Highland Capital’s Chief Investment Officer and its Head of Structured Products meets every morning to discuss the status of the credits. Collectively, the committee utilizes a selection and monitoring process which is driven by fundamental credit research. Each portfolio manager/analyst makes specific credit recommendations based upon industry coverage. The credit recommendation is then brought to the committee for consideration. Based upon the consensus decision, the portfolio manager with the recommendation will direct Highland Capital traders to execute the trade. Highland Capital has also provided its committee with a strong commitment to technology. The firm developed Wall Street Office® which is a proprietary software system that allows Highland Capital to model, portfolio manage, and trade syndicated loans. This software has been licensed to more than 70 financial institutions that acquire syndicated loans.

### **Professionals of the Servicer**

Set forth below is information regarding certain persons who are currently employed by the Servicer. Such persons may not necessarily continue to be so employed during the entire term of the Servicing Agreement.

#### ***James Dondero, CFA, CPA, CMA – Managing Partner, President***

Mr. Dondero is a Founder and President of Highland Capital. He is also Chairman of the Board of Directors of Highland Financial Partners. Prior to Highland Capital, Mr. Dondero served as Chief Investment Officer of Protective Life’s GIC subsidiary, and helped grow the business from concept to over \$2 billion from 1989 to 1993. His portfolio management experience includes leveraged bank loans, high yield bonds, mortgage-backed securities, investment grade corporates, emerging markets, derivatives, preferred stocks and common stocks. From 1985 to 1989, he managed approximately \$1 billion in fixed income funds for American Express. Prior to American Express, he completed the financial training program at Morgan Guaranty Trust Company. Mr. Dondero is a Beta Gamma Sigma graduate of the University of Virginia with a Bachelor of Science in Commerce with concentrations in Accounting and Finance. Mr. Dondero is a Certified Public Accountant and a Certified Management Accountant. He has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

#### ***Mark Okada, CFA – Managing Partner, Chief Investment Officer***

Mr. Okada is a Founder and Chief Investment Officer of Highland Capital. He is responsible for overseeing Highland Capital’s investment activities for its various strategies, and has over 20 years of experience in the credit markets. Prior to founding Highland Capital, Mr. Okada served as Manager of Fixed Income for Protective Life Insurance’s GIC subsidiary from 1990 to 1993. He was primarily responsible for the bank loan portfolio and other risk assets. Protective was one of the first non-bank entrants into the syndicated loan market. From 1986 to 1990, he served as Vice President at Hibernia National Bank, managing a portfolio of high yield loans in excess of \$1 billion. Mr. Okada is an honors graduate of the University of California Los Angeles with degrees in Economics and Psychology. He has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation. Mr. Okada is a Director of NexBank and Chairman of the Board of Directors of Common Grace Ministries, Inc..

#### ***Brad Borud – Partner, Senior Trader and Co-Director of Portfolio Management***

Mr. Borud is a Senior Trader and Co-Director of Portfolio Management at Highland Capital. Prior to joining Highland Capital in November 1996, Mr. Borud worked as a Global Finance Analyst in the Corporate Finance Group at NationsBank from 1995 to 1996 where he was involved in the originating, structuring, modeling, and credit analysis of leveraged transactions for large corporate accounts in the Southwest portion of the United States. During 1994, Mr. Borud also served at Conseco Capital Management as an Analyst Intern in the Fixed Income Research Department, following the Transportation and Energy sectors. Prior to his current duties at Highland Capital, Mr. Borud served as a Portfolio Analyst from 1996 to 1998. From 1998 to 2001, Mr. Borud was a Portfolio

Manager. From 2001 to 2003, Mr. Borud was a Portfolio Manager and Team Leader. Between 1998 and 2003, Mr. Borud covered a wide range of industries, including Wireline Telecommunications, Wireless Telecommunications, Telecommunication Equipment Manufacturers, Multi-channel Video and Media. He has a BS in Business Finance from Indiana University.

***Patrick Conner, CFA – Partner, Senior Portfolio Manager - Equities***

Mr. Conner is a Senior Portfolio Manager in equities at Highland Capital. Prior to joining Highland Capital in February 2002, Mr. Conner worked as a Portfolio Manager for an equity hedge fund at Enron Corp. Prior to this Mr. Conner evaluated strategic mergers, acquisitions, and divestitures as a Director in Enron's Corporate Development group. Mr. Conner joined Enron in 1997. Previously, Mr. Conner worked as a Corporate Lending Officer at Boatmen's Bank in middle market banking. Mr. Conner has acquired 14 years of investment experience. He holds an MBA in Finance from The Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania and a BBA in Finance from Wichita State University. Mr. Conner has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***Patrick H. Daugherty – Partner, Head of Distressed and Special Situations Investments, Senior Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Daugherty is Head of Distressed and Special Situations Investing, and a Senior Portfolio Manager at Highland Capital. His responsibilities include managing the Distressed Investments Group and Merchant Banking Group. He formally served as General Counsel to Highland Capital. Prior to joining Highland Capital in April 1998, Mr. Daugherty served as Vice President in the Corporate Finance Group at Bank of America Capital Markets, Inc (formerly NationsBanc Capital Markets, Inc.) where he originated and structured leveraged transactions of mid-cap companies located in the Southwest. Prior to joining Bank of America, Mr. Daugherty was an Associate with the law firm of Baker, Brown, Sharman and Parker in Houston, Texas, where he worked with banks and financial institutions in the liquidation of various RTC (Resolution Trust Corporation). Mr. Daugherty has over 15 years of experience in distressed, high yield and corporate restructuring. He has been involved in over 100 restructurings and held steering committee positions in over 50 bankruptcies. Mr. Daugherty currently serves on the Board of Directors of Home Interiors & Gifts, Inc. and its affiliates (as Chairman), SunCom Wireless Holdings, Inc. (elect), Safety-Kleen Holdco., Inc. , and is a former board member of Norse Merchant Group and its affiliates, Ferrimorac Holdings Limited, Trussway Holdings, Inc. and its affiliates, Nexpak Corporation and its affiliates, Moll Industries and its affiliates, and Mariner Health Care, Inc. He received a Juris Doctorate from The University of Houston School of Law, and a BBA in Finance from The University of Texas at Austin. Mr. Daugherty's professional certifications include membership in the Texas Bar Association and admittance to the American Bar Association in 1992.

***Davis Deadman, CFA, Partner, NexBank Chief Executive Officer***

Mr. Deadman is the Chief Executive Officer of NexBank, SSB. Prior to joining NexBank, SSB, he was Senior Portfolio Manager and Team Leader with a team portfolio of approximately \$2.6 billion at Highland Capital which he joined in May 1998. Mr. Deadman was responsible for leading the Team as well as sourcing and making investment decisions. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Deadman was an Investment Officer at Mutual Benefit Life from 1993 to 1998. He managed portfolio sales and the restructure/workout of over \$200 million in loans collateralized by Southeastern U.S. commercial real estate including shopping centers, apartments, hotels, and office buildings. Prior to joining Mutual Benefit Life, he worked as an Assistant Vice President responsible for originating commercial real estate loans for both a regional bank and a national credit company. He received an MBA with an emphasis in Finance from Southern Methodist University, a BA in Finance from Texas A&M University and has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***Joe Dougherty, CFA, CPA – Partner, Head of Retail Products, Senior Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Dougherty is Head of Retail Products at Highland Capital and is a Senior Portfolio Manager. Prior to joining Highland Capital in March 1998, Mr. Dougherty served as an Investment Analyst with Sandera Capital Management from 1997 to 1998. Formerly, he was a Business Development Manager at Akzo Nobel from 1994 to 1996 and a Senior Accountant at Deloitte & Touche, LLP from 1992 to 1994. Mr. Dougherty is a Partner, Senior Portfolio Manager, and heads Highland Capital's retail products business unit ("Highland Funds"). He serves as Portfolio Manager, Senior Vice President and/or Director of the Firm's NYSE-listed funds and 1940 Act Registered Funds. He also serves as Portfolio Manager for the Firm's sub-advised closed-end funds. In this capacity, Mr.

Dougherty oversees investment decisions for the retail funds, alongside several other Portfolio Managers, and manages the team dedicated to their day-to-day operations. Prior to his current duties, Mr. Dougherty served as Portfolio Analyst for Highland Capital from 1998 to 1999. As a Portfolio Analyst, Mr. Dougherty helped follow companies within the chemical, retail, supermarket, wireless and restaurant sectors. He received an MBA from Southern Methodist University, and a BS in Accounting from Villanova University. Mr. Dougherty is a Certified Public Accountant, and has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***John Honis – Partner, Co-Head of Private Equity***

Mr. Honis is Co-Head of Private Equity at Highland Capital. He has more than 25 years of business experience as CEO, CRO and board-level advisor to both high-growth and distressed companies in a wide range of manufacturing and service industries. Prior to leading Highland Capital's Private Equity effort, Mr. Honis was founder of Barrier Advisors, a leading provider of strategic, operational and financial advice to private equity, venture capital and money management institutions. Some of Barrier's clients have included Goldman Sachs, GE Capital, CS First Boston and Highland Capital. He has led many turnarounds and strategic growth initiatives, and has attracted many of the nation's top turnaround practitioners to the Barrier team. Mr. Honis was an accomplished high-tech executive, having served as President, CEO or Chief Restructuring Officer of five telecommunications firms. His experiences in all aspects of growth management, strategic/operational turnarounds, financial restructuring, mergers and acquisitions and capital markets were the foundational elements of Barrier Advisors' charter. Mr. Honis' early career started at J.P. Morgan in New York where he was a leader in the firm's global consulting practice. At J.P. Morgan, he specialized in the design and implementation of worldwide corporate finance processes and systems. Mr. Honis is a graduate of Syracuse University with degrees in Economics, Business Administration and Marketing.

***Paul Kauffman, CFA, CPA – Partner, Senior Trader and Co-Director of Portfolio Management***

Mr. Kauffman is a Senior Trader and Co-Director of Portfolio Management at Highland Capital. Prior to joining Highland Capital in June 1999, Mr. Kauffman spent four years in the public accounting industry, including two and a half years at KPMG Peat Marwick. At KPMG, Mr. Kauffman gained audit experience in a wide range of industries, with particular focus on the Energy and Cable industries. He joined Highland Capital as a Portfolio Analyst, and was a Portfolio Manager prior to moving into his current role. At Highland Capital, Paul has followed a variety of industries, including Paper & Packaging, General Industrials, Metals, and the Automotive sector. He received an MBA from Duke University and a BBA in Accounting from Baylor University. Mr. Kauffman has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***Brad Means, CFA – Senior Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Means is a Senior Portfolio Manager at Highland Capital, overseeing the Healthcare, Retail, and Automotive sectors. Previously, Mr. Means was a Portfolio Manager covering the Automotive, Equipment Rental, Airline and Aerospace sectors. Prior to joining Highland Capital in May 2004, Mr. Means was a Managing Director in FTI Consulting's Corporate Finance group where he worked on corporate turnaround, restructuring and bankruptcy advisory engagements. From 1998 to 2001, he was a Director in the PricewaterhouseCoopers Chairman's Office and focused on enterprise strategy, venture capital, business development, and divestiture initiatives. Prior to his role in the Chairman's Office, Mr. Means worked in the Strategic Change Consulting and the Assurance & Business Advisory groups of Price Waterhouse serving clients across a broad range of industries including Automotive, Energy, Financials and Industrials. He holds an MBA from the Stanford University Graduate School of Business and a BSBA in Finance and Accounting from Creighton University. Mr. Means has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***John Morgan, CFA – Partner, Senior Portfolio Manager, Real Estate***

Mr. Morgan is a Partner and Senior Portfolio Manager with responsibility for overseeing Highland Capital's Real Estate debt investments. The firm's real estate investments include a variety of asset types, including Collateralized Mortgage Backed Securities ("CMBSs"), whole loans, B-notes, mezzanine notes, and real estate bank loans. Mr. Morgan oversees all aspects of the investment process: initial underwriting and due diligence, acquisition, surveillance and asset management, and disposition. Since joining Highland Capital in March 2000, Mr. Morgan has also covered the retail, restaurant, and supermarket sectors. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Morgan served as a Portfolio Analyst for Falcon Fund Management, LTD from August 1995 - February 2000. At

Falcon, Mr. Morgan assisted the portfolio manager in the security selection process and management of the portfolio. Mr. Morgan performed a variety of duties including researching individual companies and industries, modeling the financial performance of companies and creating comparables to assess the attractiveness of companies within their industries and across the portfolio. Prior to Falcon, Mr. Morgan was an Analyst for a Convertible Arbitrage Fund at Q Investments. His primary responsibility included analyzing financial statements and related corporate disclosures and performing analysis on potential investment opportunities. Mr. Morgan received both an MBA and a BS in Biological Sciences from Southern Methodist University, and has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***Kurtis S. Plumer, CFA – Partner, Senior Portfolio Manager, Multi-Strategies***

Mr. Plumer is a Senior Portfolio Manager at Highland Capital. Prior to joining Highland Capital in July 1999, Mr. Plumer was a distressed High Yield Bond Trader at Lehman Brothers in New York, where he managed a \$250 million portfolio invested in global distressed securities. While at Lehman, he also traded emerging market sovereign bonds. Prior to joining Lehman Brothers, Mr. Plumer was a Corporate Finance Banker at NationsBanc Capital Markets, Inc. (now Bank of America Capital Markets, Inc.) where he focused on M&A and financing transactions for the bank's clients. Mr. Plumer has over 14 years of experience in distressed, high yield bond and leveraged loan products. Mr. Plumer received an MBA in Strategy and Finance from the Kellogg School at Northwestern University, and a BBA in Economics and Finance from Baylor University. Mr. Plumer has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***Brett Pope, CFA – Partner, Co-Head of Private Equity***

Mr. Pope is Co-Head of Private Equity at Highland Capital. Previously, Mr. Pope was a Senior Industry Portfolio Manager. Prior to joining Highland Capital in March 2001, Mr. Pope served as a Senior Equities Analyst in Healthcare at Street Advisor.com from 1999 to 2001. His experience also includes working as a Senior Research Analyst covering the Building Products and Financial Service sectors at Southwest Securities from 1996 to 1999. Prior to 1996, he served as a Senior Financial Analyst with Associates First Capital Corporation where he performed due diligence on bulk acquisitions of subprime auto and mortgage portfolios. At Highland Capital, Mr. Pope is a Senior Industry Portfolio Manager currently covering the Healthcare sector. During his tenure at Highland Capital, Mr. Pope has covered a wide range of industry sectors. Mr. Pope currently serves on the Board of Directors of Cornerstone Healthcare Group, Legacy Pharmaceuticals International, and Solstice Neurosciences. Mr. Pope is a graduate of the University of Texas at Austin where he graduated Magna Cum Laude and was a member of Beta Gamma Sigma Academic Honor Society. Mr. Pope has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***Greg Stuecheli, CFA – Senior Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Stuecheli is a Senior Portfolio Manager at Highland Capital. Previously, Mr. Stuecheli was a Portfolio Manager covering distressed and special situation credit and equity investments. Prior to joining Highland Capital in June 2002, Mr. Stuecheli served as an analyst for Gryphon Management Partners, LP from 2000 to 2002. His primary responsibilities included researching long and short investment ideas. In 1999 he was a Summer Associate at Hicks, Muse, Tate & Furst. From 1995 to 1998, Mr. Stuecheli worked as a chemical engineer at Jacobs Engineering Group and Cytec Industries. He received an MBA from Southern Methodist University and a BS in Chemical Engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. He has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***Todd Travers, CFA – Partner, Head of Structured Products, Senior Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Travers is the Head of Structured Products and a Senior Portfolio Manager at Highland Capital. Mr. Travers is responsible for Highland Capital's structured products business and is the primary Senior Portfolio Manager for Highland Capital's CDOs. He is a member of the Credit Committee and heads a team that is responsible for structuring new structured finance transactions and implementing additional opportunities in Highland Capital's core businesses. He is also Chief Executive Officer and Chief Investment Officer of Highland Financial Partners, an externally managed company whose primary strategy is sponsoring structured finance entities. Formerly, Mr. Travers served as Portfolio Manager/Portfolio Analyst from 1994 to 1998 for Highland Capital. His prior responsibilities included managing a portion of Highland Capital's leveraged loan and high yield debt portfolios across a wide range of industry sectors. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Travers was a Finance



Manager at American Airlines. He received his MBA from Southern Methodist University. Mr. Travers is a graduate of Iowa State University with a BS in Engineering. Mr. Travers has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***Amit Walia, CFA - Senior Industry Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Walia is a Senior Industry Portfolio Manager at Highland Capital. He has a total of 18 years experience in investments, mergers & acquisitions and banking. Prior to joining Highland Capital in July 2003, Mr. Walia worked from 1999 to 2002 as a Vice President in the corporate development group at Enron Corp where he worked on M&A transactions, including the sale of assets post bankruptcy. Prior to this he was a Director of Structured and Project Finance within the energy group at ANZ Banking Group Ltd in New York. He received his MBA (Finance) from the Simon School of Business, University of Rochester and a degree in Mechanical Engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi. Mr. Walia has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***David Walls, CFA – Partner, Senior Industry Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Walls is a Senior Industry Portfolio Manager at Highland Capital. Prior to joining Highland Capital in October 2000, Mr. Walls worked for Lend Lease Real Estate Investments as an Associate in their Asset Management unit structuring and underwriting acquisitions of bulk portfolios of distressed Korean real estate and corporate debt. Before his international responsibilities at Lend Lease, Mr. Walls performed loan workouts on a domestic portfolio of sub- and non-performing real estate secured assets. Prior to Lend Lease, Mr. Walls worked at U.S. Trust Company of California as an Assistant Vice President, Junior Portfolio Manager in their Fixed Income Portfolio Management group and for Capital Research & Management Company as a Fixed Income Trader. Mr. Walls has worked in finance as a trader, security analyst and Portfolio Manager for 14 years. At Highland Capital, Mr. Walls is a Senior Industry Portfolio Manager overseeing a staff of credit professionals covering Media, Cable, Satellite, and Financial sectors. He holds an MBA in Finance and Marketing from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University, and a BA in Economics from Northwestern University. Mr. Walls is a member of AIMR and DAIA. Mr. Walls has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***Jack Yang – Partner, Head of Business Development***

Mr. Yang is the Head of Business Development. Mr. Yang manages Highland Capital's hedge fund business and is responsible for the firm's product development, fundraising, and investor relations activities. He heads the firm's New York office and is a member of the Board of Directors of Highland Capital Management Europe, Ltd. Prior to joining Highland Capital, he was Managing Director and Global Head of Leveraged Finance Products at Merrill Lynch. He joined Merrill Lynch in 1994 to establish the firm's syndicated loan business and co-headed the firm's Global Leveraged Finance Division from 1999 to 2001. In addition to heading the syndicated loan activities of the firm, while at Merrill Lynch he had significant responsibility for establishing and managing the \$1.5 billion ML Bridge Loan Fund, the \$1.1 billion ML Mezzanine Fund, and the European Leveraged Finance Group. He was a senior member of the firm's Debt Markets Commitment Committee and Mezzanine Investment Committee. Prior to joining Merrill, he spent 11 years at Chemical Securities, Inc. and was a founding member of the Global Syndicated Finance Division. Mr. Yang is Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of The Loan Syndications and Trading Association and is a member of the Finance Committee and was previously a member of the Board of Directors of the Loan Market Association in Europe. He has authored several articles and book chapters on credit and structured products based investment strategies. He is a graduate of Cornell University and earned an MBA from Columbia Business School. He is a Registered Representative with Series 7, 63, and 24 licenses.

See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Servicer—The Issuer Will Depend on the Expertise Available to the Servicer and Its Key Personnel."

## **THE SERVICING AGREEMENT**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Servicing Agreement. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the Servicing Agreement.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, and in accordance with the requirements set forth in the Indenture, the Servicer will select the portfolio of Collateral Obligations and will instruct the Trustee with respect to any acquisition, disposition or sale of a Collateral Obligation or an Eligible Investment. Neither the Initial Purchaser nor its Affiliates will select any of the Collateral Obligations.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will monitor the Collateral Obligations and provide the Issuer with certain information received from the Collateral Administrator with respect to the composition and characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, any disposition or tender of a Collateral Obligation, the application of the proceeds of any such disposition to the purchase of Eligible Investments and with respect to the retention of the proceeds of any such disposition or the application thereof toward the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations. The Servicer will, and will be authorized to, negotiate, on behalf of the Issuer, with respect to all actions to be taken by the Issuer under any Hedge Agreements.

As compensation for the performance of its obligations as Servicer, the Servicer will be entitled to receive:

- (i) a fee (the “**Senior Servicing Fee**”) that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.10% *per annum* of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments (with the Senior Servicing Fee being calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months);
- (ii) an amount (the “**Subordinated Servicing Fee**”) payable on each Payment Date equal to the sum of (a) a fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.40% *per annum* of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments and (b) on any Payment Date that any part of the Subordinated Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period *plus* 3.00% *per annum* (with the portion of the Subordinated Servicing Fee, in clauses (a) and (b) above, as applicable, being calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months); and
- (iii) a fee (the “**Supplemental Servicing Fee**” and together with the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee, the “**Servicing Fees**”), if any, payable on each Payment Date to the Servicer in an amount equal to: (i) 20% of the remaining Interest Proceeds, if any, available after making the distributions on such Payment Date pursuant to clause (xviii) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” and (ii) 20% of the remaining Principal Proceeds, if any, available for payment in respect of the Supplemental Servicing Fee pursuant to clause (xi)(A) and, if applicable, clause (xv), in each case pursuant to “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

On each Payment Date, as and to the extent described under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments,” the Trustee will deposit the Class II Preference Share Portion of the Servicing Fees into the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account. With respect to any Payment Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion (or all) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments as described above. See “Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account.”

In addition, notwithstanding anything set out above, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion waive all or any portion of the Subordinated Servicing Fee or Supplemental Servicing Fee, any funds representing the waived Subordinated Servicing Fees or Supplemental Servicing Fees to be retained in the Collection Account for distribution as either Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds (as determined by the Servicer) pursuant to the Priority of Payments.

In addition, the Servicer will be reimbursed for its reasonable expenses incurred with respect to any compliance requirements, including, but not limited to, compliance with the requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act solely

related to the ownership or holding of any Securities by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to the extent funds are available therefor in accordance with and subject to the Priority of Payments and other limitations contained in the Indenture.

The Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, and its Affiliates and their directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, shall not be liable to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person for any losses, claims, damages, judgments, assessments, costs or other liabilities (collectively “**Liabilities**”) incurred by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person that arise out of or in connection with the performance by the Servicer of its duties under the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture, except by reason of (i) acts or omissions constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, gross negligence or breach of fiduciary duty in the performance, or reckless disregard, of the obligations of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and under the terms of the Indenture applicable to it or (ii) with respect to any information included in this Offering Memorandum in the sections entitled “The Servicer” and “Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer” that contains any untrue statement of material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) collectively being the “**Servicer Breaches**”). The Servicer will be liable for any non-waivable breaches of applicable securities laws.

The Issuer will indemnify and hold harmless the Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees (such parties collectively in such case, the “**Indemnified Parties**”) from and against any and all Liabilities, and shall reimburse each such Indemnified Party for all reasonable fees and expenses (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) (collectively, the “**Expenses**”) as such Expenses are incurred in investigating, preparing, pursuing or defending any claim, action, proceeding or investigation with respect to any pending or threatened litigation (collectively, the “**Actions**”), caused by, or arising out of or in connection with, the issuance of the Securities, the transactions contemplated by the Offering Memorandum, the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement, and/or any action taken by, or any failure to act by, such Indemnified Party; *provided, however*, that no Indemnified Party shall be indemnified for any Liabilities or Expenses it incurs as a result of any acts or omissions by any Indemnified Party constituting Servicer Breaches. Any such indemnification by the Issuer will be paid in accordance with, and subject to, the Priority of Payments.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will agree that on the Closing Date, (i) the Approved Class II Preference Shareholders are expected to purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares and all or a portion of the Class E Notes and may purchase a portion of the Class C Notes and Class D Notes and (ii) the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates is expected to purchase all or a portion of the Class I Preference Shares. No assurance can be given whether HFP or the Servicer will retain such Class C Notes, Class D Notes, Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares and/or Class II Preference Shares for any amount of time.

The Issuer may, at the request of the Servicer, enter into an amendment or modification of the Servicing Agreement from time to time, without the consent of the Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not the interests of the Holders of the Securities are adversely affected thereby; *provided* that, with respect to any such amendment or modification, (a) a Rating Condition is satisfied and (b) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares have not objected in writing to such amendment or modification prior to the relevant Objection Cut-Off Date (as defined below).

If at any time the Servicer desires to amend or modify the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will notify the Issuer and the Trustee, providing details of such proposed amendment or modification. Not later than five Business Days after receipt of such notice, the Trustee will mail such notice to (i) each Noteholder at such Holder’s address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as applicable, (ii) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and (iii) to each Rating Agency. If any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes or any Holder of the Preference Shares notifies, by delivering a written notice to the Trustee within 35 days after the Trustee has mailed such notice, that it objects to such proposed amendment or modification, the Trustee will, within two Business Days after receiving such notice of objection, mail a notice of the receipt of such objection to the Issuer, the Servicer and other Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and other Holders of the Preference Shares. Each Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes and each Holder of the Preference Shares that also wishes to object to such amendment

or modification must, by delivering a written notice, so notify the Trustee within seven Business Days after the Trustee has mailed such notice of the receipt of such objection (the last day of such seven Business Day period, the “**Objection Cut-Off Date**”). If a Majority of either the Controlling Class of Notes or the Preference Shares notifies the Trustee in writing on or before the Objection Cut-Off Date that they object to the proposed amendment or modification to the Servicing Agreement, such amendment or modification will not be made.

The Servicing Agreement provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Servicer such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Servicer, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm’s length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the Advisers Act. The Servicing Agreement also provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Servicer, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm’s length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Advisers Act.

Subject to the provisions for a successor servicer discussed below, the Servicer may resign, upon 90 days’ written notice to the Issuer (or such shorter notice as is acceptable to the Issuer).

The Servicing Agreement will be terminated, and the Servicer will be removed, by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee (acting at the direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes)) or by a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares that are not Voting Preference Shares), in each case for “cause” upon 10 days’ prior written notice to the Servicer and upon written notice to the Holders of the Securities as set forth below. For purposes of determining “cause” with respect to any such termination of the Servicing Agreement, such term shall mean any one of the following events:

- (i) the Servicer willfully breaches in any respect, or takes any action that it knows violates in any respect, any provision of the Servicing Agreement or any terms of the Indenture applicable to it;
- (ii) the Servicer breaches in any material respect any provision of the Servicing Agreement or any terms of the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement applicable to it, or any representation, warranty, certification or statement given in writing by the Servicer shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or given, and the Servicer fails to cure such breach or take such action so that the facts (after giving effect to such action) conform in all material respects to such representation, warranty, certificate or statement, in each case within 30 days of becoming aware of, or receiving notice from, the Trustee of, such breach or materially incorrect representation, warranty, certificate or statement;
- (iii) certain events of bankruptcy or insolvency occur with respect to the Servicer;
- (iv) the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture that results from any breach by the Servicer of its duties under the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement, which breach or default is not cured within any applicable cure period; or
- (v) (x) the occurrence of an act by the Servicer related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business that constitutes fraud, (y) the Servicer being indicted, or any of its principals being convicted, of a felony criminal offense related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business or (z) the Servicer being indicted for, adjudged liable in a civil suit for, or convicted of a violation of the Securities Act or any other United States Federal securities law or any rules or regulations thereunder.

No removal or resignation of the Servicer will be effective under the Servicing Agreement unless (A) (i) at the written direction of a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares, the Issuer appoints a successor servicer and such successor servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer’s duties and obligations pursuant to the



Servicing Agreement and the Indenture and (ii) the successor servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single Class) or (B) if a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares has nominated two or more successor servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (A)(ii) or has failed to appoint a successor servicer that has not been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (A)(ii) within 60 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer, (i) at the written direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes), the Issuer appoints a successor servicer and such successor servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture and (ii) the successor servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares (voting as a single class) or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single Class); *provided* that if a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and a Super Majority of the Controlling Class (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) have each nominated two or more successor servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clauses (A)(ii) and (B)(ii) or have otherwise failed to appoint a successor servicer that is not objected to pursuant to the preceding clauses (A)(ii) or (B)(ii) within 120 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer, any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes), any Holder of Voting Preference Shares or the Trustee petitions a court of competent authority to appoint a successor servicer. In addition, any successor servicer must be an established institution which (i) has demonstrated an ability to professionally and competently perform duties similar to those imposed upon the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, (ii) is legally qualified and has the capacity to act as Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, as successor to the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement in the assumption of all of the responsibilities, duties and obligations of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and under the applicable terms of the Indenture, (iii) shall not cause the Issuer or the pool of Collateral to become required to register under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, (iv) shall perform its duties as successor servicer under the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture without causing the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Holder of Preference Shares to become subject to tax in any jurisdiction where such successor servicer is established as doing business and (v) each Rating Agency has confirmed that the appointment of such successor servicer shall not cause its then-current rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn. No compensation payable to a successor servicer from payments on the Collateral shall be greater than that paid to the Servicer without the prior written consent of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes, a Majority of the Notes and a Majority of the Preference Shares.

The Servicing Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, cannot be delegated by the Servicer, in whole or in part, except to any entity that (i) is controlled by any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers and (ii) is one in which any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers is involved in the day to day management and operations (and in any such case pursuant to an instrument of delegation in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer), without the prior written consent of the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and, notwithstanding any such consent, no delegation of obligations or duties by the Servicer (including, without limitation, to an entity described above) shall relieve the Servicer from any liability under the Servicing Agreement.

## THE CO-ISSUERS

### General

The Issuer was incorporated under the name "Rockwall CDO III Ltd." as an exempted company with limited liability on December 14, 2006 in the Cayman Islands under registration number WK-179034, and subsequently changed its name by special resolution on February 25, 2008. The registered office of the Issuer is at the offices of Walkers SPV Limited, Walker House, 87 Mary Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, KY1-9002, Cayman Islands. The Issuer's telephone number is (345) 945-3727. The Issuer has no prior operating experience (other than in connection with the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations during the Accumulation Period) and will not have any material assets other than (i) the Collateral pledged to secure the Secured Obligations, and (ii) \$500 (of which \$250 represents the Issuer's issued ordinary share capital and \$250 represents a fee for issuing the Securities).

The Co-Issuer was incorporated on March 13, 2008 in the State of Delaware under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware with the file number 4518571. The registered office of the Co-Issuer is at c/o National Corporate Research, Ltd., 615 South DuPont Highway, Dover, Delaware 19901. The Co-Issuer's principal address is c/o Puglisi & Associates, 850 Library Avenue, Suite 204, Newark, Delaware, 19711 and the Co-Issuer's telephone number is (302) 738-6680. The Co-Issuer was incorporated as a special purpose vehicle for the specific purpose of carrying out the transactions described in this Offering Memorandum, which primarily consists of issuing the Senior Notes and performing other activities related thereto, as set forth in Article Third of its Certificate of Incorporation. The Co-Issuer has no prior operating history and will not have any material assets.

The Senior Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer and non-recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuer. The Class E Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer and the Preference Shares are equity interests only in the Issuer. The Securities are not obligations of the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, the Administrator, the Holders of the Preference Shares, Walkers SPV Limited, as the share trustee (in such capacity, the "**Share Trustee**"), or any directors or officers of the Co-Issuers or any of their respective Affiliates.

At the Closing Date, the authorized share capital of the Issuer consists of 250 ordinary shares, U.S.\$1.00 par value per share (the "**Issuer Ordinary Shares**"), all of which will have been issued prior to the Closing Date, and 48,000 Preference Shares, U.S.\$0.01 par value per share, all of which will be issued on or about the Closing Date. The authorized common stock of the Co-Issuer consists of 1,000 shares of common stock, U.S.\$0.01 par value (the "**Co-Issuer Common Stock**"), all of which shares will be issued on or about the Closing Date. All of the outstanding Issuer Ordinary Shares will be held by the Share Trustee and all of the Co-Issuer Common Stock will be held by the Issuer. For so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding, no transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares or Co-Issuer Common Stock to a U.S. Person shall be registered.

The Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares will be identical in all respects except that the Class II Preference Shares will also be entitled, subject to any restrictions under Cayman Islands law, to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments and will have voting rights with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer as described herein. In addition to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments payable on the Class II Preference Shares, regular dividends will be payable on the Class II Preference Shares and the Class I Preference Shares on each Payment Date in the amounts and in the priority described under the Priority of Payments; *provided* that, if and to the extent sufficient funds to pay such regular dividends in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Cayman Islands law are not available on any Payment Date, no dividends will be payable on such Payment Date. Class II Preference Share Special Payments will be paid to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares on a *pro rata* basis according to the number of Class II Preference Shares held by each Holder. All other dividends and distributions in respect of the Preference Shares will be paid to the Holders of the Preference Shares on a *pro rata* basis according to the number of Preference Shares held by each Holder.

## Capitalization

The initial proposed capitalization of the Issuer as of the Closing Date after giving effect to the initial issuance of the Securities and the Issuer Ordinary Shares (before deducting expenses of the offering) is as set forth below.

	<u>Amount (U.S.\$)</u>
Class A Notes.....	\$376,000,000
Class B Notes.....	\$29,500,000
Class C Notes.....	\$25,250,000
Class D Notes.....	\$19,250,000
Class E Notes.....	\$17,250,000
Total Notes.....	\$467,250,000
Class I Preference Shares.....	\$12,000,000*
Class II Preference Shares.....	\$36,000,000*
Issuer Ordinary Shares.....	<u>\$250</u>
Total Equity.....	\$48,000,250
Total Capitalization.....	\$515,250,250

\* The Preference Shares will be issued with a Face Amount of U.S.\$1,000 per share.

The Co-Issuer will be capitalized only to the extent of its common equity of U.S.\$10, will have no assets other than its equity capital and will have no debt other than as Co-Issuer of the Senior Notes.

## **Business**

### *General*

The Issuer Charter provides that the objects for which the Issuer is established are unlimited, although the Indenture restricts the activities of the Issuer as set forth below. Article Third of the Co-Issuer's Certificate of Incorporation provides that the principal purpose of the Co-Issuer is the co-issuance of the Senior Notes and to engage in any activity and to exercise any powers permitted to corporations organized under Delaware Law, which are incidental to, or connected with, the foregoing and necessary, suitable or convenient to accomplish the foregoing.

### *The Issuer*

The Indenture provides that the activities of the Issuer are limited to the following:

- (i) acquisition and disposition of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments;
- (ii) entering into, and performing its obligations under, the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents, any Hedge Agreements, the Securities Lending Agreements, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Administration Agreement;
- (iii) the issuance and sale of the Securities and the Issuer Ordinary Shares;
- (iv) the pledge of the Collateral as security for its obligations in respect of the Notes and any Hedge Agreements;
- (v) entering into certain pre-closing warehousing arrangements and the agreements relating thereto;
- (vi) undertaking certain other activities incidental to the foregoing; and
- (vii) owning the Co-Issuer Common Stock.

### *The Co-Issuer*

The activities of the Co-Issuer are to be limited to the following:

- (i) the co-issuance and sale of the Senior Notes; and
- (ii) to engage in any activity and to exercise any powers permitted to corporations organized under Delaware Law, which are incidental to, or connected with, the foregoing and necessary, suitable or convenient to accomplish the foregoing.

## **Administration**

Walkers SPV Limited, a Cayman Islands company, or any successor thereto appointed under the Administration Agreement, will act as the administrator of the Issuer (in such capacity, the "**Administrator**"), the Share Registrar and the Share Trustee. The office of the Administrator will serve as the principal office of the Issuer. Through this office and pursuant to the terms of an agreement by and between the Administrator and the Issuer (as amended, supplemented and modified from time to time) (the "**Administration Agreement**"), the Administrator will perform various administrative functions on behalf of the Issuer, including the provision of certain clerical and other services including acting as Share Registrar until termination of the Administration Agreement. In consideration of the foregoing, the Administrator will receive various fees and reimbursement of its expenses.

The activities of the Administrator under the Administration Agreement will be subject to the overview of the Issuer's Board of Directors. The Administration Agreement may be terminated by the Issuer upon 14 days' written notice following the happening of certain events or upon 90 days' written notice in all other cases. Upon the earlier of the termination of the Administration Agreement or the dissolution of the Issuer, the Administrator shall cease to serve in such capacity. There is no requirement in the Administration Agreement that a replacement administrator be appointed prior to the effectiveness of any withdrawal or termination of the Administrator. In addition, the Administrator may resign if the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares remove one or more of the directors of the Issuer who are employees or officers of the Administrator.

The Administrator's principal office is at Walker House, 87 Mary Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, KY1-9002, Cayman Islands.

### **Directors**

The Issuer will have two directors, each of whom will initially be an employee or officer of the Administrator or an Affiliate of the Administrator.

The directors of the Issuer are John Cullinane and Rachael Rankin. Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may, for so long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding is greater than the number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding, vote at any time to remove any or all (but, so long as such directors are all associated with Walkers SPV Limited, not less than all) of the directors and appoint other directors who may be employees, officers or designees of the Servicer.

Directors of the Issuer may serve as directors of, and provide services to, other special purpose entities that issue collateralized obligations and perform other duties for the Administrator and the Servicer, as the case may be. They may be contacted at the address of the Administrator.

The sole independent director of the Co-Issuer is Donald Puglisi. Mr. Puglisi is also the President, Secretary and Treasurer of the Co-Issuer. Mr. Puglisi is MBNA America Professor of Business Emeritus at the University of Delaware. Mr. Puglisi serves as a director of, and provides services to, a number of special purpose entities. He may be contacted at the address of the Co-Issuer.

### **PREVENTION OF MONEY LAUNDERING**

To ensure compliance with applicable statutory requirements relating to anti-money laundering and anti-terrorism initiatives, the Share Registrar, on behalf of the Issuer, will require verification of identity and source of funds from all prospective purchasers of the Preference Shares. Depending on the circumstances of each purchase, it may not always be necessary to obtain full documentary evidence of identity and/or source of funds where:

1. The purchaser is a licensed entity or financial institution regulated in a country recognized as having an adequate anti-money laundering regime and such countries are listed in the Third Schedule to the Money Laundering Regulations (as amended) of the Cayman Islands;
2. The purchaser is an entity or financial institution listed on the Cayman Islands or other approved stock exchange<sup>1</sup>; or
3. The funds have been paid from an account held in the name of the purchaser at a financial institution based in a country recognized as having an adequate anti-money laundering regime.

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<sup>1</sup> A list of approved Stock Exchanges can be found under Appendix G12 of the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority Regulatory Handbook, which may be accessed on the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority website at [www.cimoney.com.ky](http://www.cimoney.com.ky).

## INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

### General

The following summary describes the principal U.S. federal income tax and Cayman Islands tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of the Securities to investors that acquire Preference Shares pursuant to this Offering Memorandum and investors that acquire the Notes at original issuance and for an amount equal to the Issue Price of the relevant Class of Notes (for purposes of this section, with respect to each Class of Notes, the first price at which a substantial amount of Notes of such Class are sold to the public (excluding bond houses, brokers, underwriters, placement agents, and wholesalers) is referred to herein as the “**Issue Price**”). This summary does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all the tax considerations that may be relevant to a particular investor’s decision to purchase the Notes. In addition, this summary does not describe any tax consequences arising under the laws of any state, locality or taxing jurisdiction other than the U.S. federal income tax laws and Cayman Islands tax laws. In general, the summary assumes that a beneficial owner of a Security holds the Security as a capital asset and not as part of a hedge, straddle or conversion transaction, within the meaning of Section 1258 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “**Code**”).

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The advice below was not written and is not intended to be used and cannot be used by any taxpayer for purposes of avoiding United States federal income tax penalties that may be imposed. The advice is written to support the promotion or marketing of the transaction. Each taxpayer should seek advice based on the taxpayer’s particular circumstances from an independent tax advisor.

The foregoing disclaimer is provided to satisfy obligations under Circular 230 governing standards of practice before the Internal Revenue Service.

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This summary is based on the U.S. and Cayman Islands tax laws, regulations (final and temporary), administrative rulings and practice and judicial decisions in effect or available on the date of this Offering Memorandum. All of the foregoing are subject to change or differing interpretation at any time, which change or interpretation may apply retroactively and could affect the continued validity of this summary.

This summary is included herein for general information only, and there can be no assurance that the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (the “**IRS**”) will take a similar view of the U.S. federal income tax consequences of an investment in the Notes as described herein. **ACCORDINGLY, PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS OF THE SECURITIES SHOULD CONSULT THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS AS TO U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX AND CAYMAN ISLANDS TAX CONSEQUENCES OF THE PURCHASE, OWNERSHIP AND DISPOSITION OF THE SECURITIES, AND THE POSSIBLE APPLICATION OF STATE, LOCAL, FOREIGN OR OTHER TAX LAWS.**

As used in this section, the term “**U.S. Holder**” includes a beneficial owner of a Security that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a citizen or individual resident of the United States of America, an entity treated for United States federal income tax purposes as a corporation created or organized in or under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof or the District of Columbia, an estate the income of which is includable in gross income for U.S. federal income tax purposes regardless of its source, or a trust if, in general, a court within the United States of America is able to exercise primary supervision over its administration and one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of such trust and certain eligible trusts that have elected to be treated as U.S. persons. This summary also does not address the rules applicable to certain types of investors that are subject to special U.S. federal income tax rules which are not discussed herein, including but not limited to, dealers in securities or currencies, traders in securities, financial institutions, U.S. expatriates, tax-exempt entities (except with respect to specific issues discussed herein), charitable remainder trusts and their beneficiaries, persons whose functional currency is not the Dollar, insurance companies, persons that own (directly or indirectly) equity interests in beneficial owners of Notes and subsequent purchasers of the Notes.

Special tax rules, not discussed herein, apply to Securities held by a partnership (including an entity treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes). A partnership, and any partner therein, considering the acquisition of Securities should consult its own tax advisor.

For U.S. federal income tax purposes, the Issuer, and not the Co-Issuer, will be treated as the issuer of the Senior Notes.



## Tax Treatment of the Issuer

*United States Federal Income Tax Consequences.* The Code and the Treasury Regulations provide a specific exemption from net income-based U.S. federal income tax to non-U.S. corporations that restrict their activities in the United States to trading in stocks and securities (and any other activity closely related thereto) for their own account, whether such trading (or such other activity) is conducted by the corporation or its employees or through a resident broker, commission agent, custodian or other agent. This particular exemption does not apply to non-U.S. corporations that are engaged in activities in the United States other than trading in stocks and securities (and any other activity closely related thereto) for their own accounts or that are dealers in stocks and securities.

The Issuer intends to rely on the above exemption and does not intend to operate so as to be subject to U.S. federal income taxes on its net income. In this regard, on the Closing Date, the Issuer will receive an opinion from Dechert LLP, special U.S. tax counsel to the Co-Issuers (“**Special U.S. Tax Counsel**”) to the effect that, although no activity closely comparable to that contemplated by the Issuer has been the subject of any Treasury Regulation, administrative ruling or judicial decision, under current law and assuming compliance with the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Issuer, the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement, and other related documents (the “**Documents**”) by all parties thereto, the Issuer’s permitted activities will not cause it to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States under the Code and, consequently, the Issuer will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis (or the branch profits tax described below). The opinion of Special U.S. Tax Counsel will be based on the Code, the Treasury Regulations (final, temporary and proposed) thereunder, the existing authorities, and Special U.S. Tax Counsel’s interpretation thereof and judgment concerning their application to the Issuer’s permitted activities, and on certain factual assumptions and representations as to the Issuer’s permitted activities. The Issuer intends to conduct its affairs in accordance with the Documents and such assumptions and representations, and the remainder of this summary assumes such result. The opinion referred to above will be based on the Servicer complying with certain investment restrictions which are intended to prevent the Issuer from engaging in activities which could give rise to a trade or business within the United States. Although the Servicer has undertaken to comply with these restrictions, it is permitted to depart from them if it obtains an opinion from nationally recognized tax counsel that the departure will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business within the United States. In addition, the Servicer is not obligated to monitor (and conform the Issuer’s activities to) changes in law, and accordingly, any such changes could adversely affect whether the Issuer is treated as engaged in a United States trade or business. In addition, in complying with the Documents and such assumptions and representations, the Issuer and the Servicer are entitled to rely upon the advice and/or opinions of their selected counsel, and the opinion of Special U.S. Tax Counsel will assume that any such advice and/or opinions are correct and complete. However, the opinion of Special U.S. Tax Counsel and any such other advice or opinions are not binding on the IRS or the courts, and no ruling will be sought from the IRS regarding this, or any other, aspect of the U.S. federal income tax treatment of the Issuer. Accordingly, in the absence of authority on point, the U.S. federal income tax treatment of the Issuer is not entirely free from doubt, and there can be no assurance that positions contrary to those stated in the opinion of Special U.S. Tax Counsel or any such other advice or opinions may not be asserted successfully by the IRS.

If, notwithstanding the Issuer’s intention and the aforementioned opinion of Special U.S. Tax Counsel or any such other advice or opinions, it were nonetheless determined that the Issuer were engaged in a trade or business in the United States (as defined in the Code), and the Issuer had taxable income that was effectively connected with such U.S. trade or business, the Issuer would be subject under the Code to the regular U.S. corporate income tax on such effectively connected taxable income (and possibly to the 30% branch profits tax as well). The imposition of such taxes would materially affect the Issuer’s financial ability to make payments with respect to the Notes and could materially affect the yield of the Notes and the return on the Preference Shares.

With respect to Cayman Islands taxation, see the discussion below in “—Cayman Islands Taxation”.

*United States Withholding Taxes.* Although, based on the foregoing, the Issuer is not expected to be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis, income derived by the Issuer may be subject to withholding taxes imposed by the United States or other countries. Generally, U.S. source interest income received by a foreign corporation not engaged in a trade or business within the United States is subject to U.S. withholding tax at the rate of 30% of the amount thereof. The Code provides an exemption (the “portfolio interest exemption”) from such withholding tax for interest paid with respect to certain debt obligations issued after July 18, 1984, unless the interest constitutes a certain type of contingent interest or is paid to a 10% shareholder of the payor, to a controlled

foreign corporation related to the payor, or to a bank with respect to a loan entered into in the ordinary course of its business. In this regard, the Issuer is permitted to acquire a particular Collateral Obligation only if the payments thereon are exempt from U.S. withholding taxes at the time of purchase or commitment to purchase (except for U.S. withholding taxes which may be payable with respect to commitment fees and other similar fees (including, without limitation, certain payments on obligations or securities that include a participation in or that support a letter of credit) associated with Collateral Obligations constituting Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans and fees from a borrower under a synthetic letter of credit) or the obligor is required to make “gross-up” payments that fully compensate for such tax. Any commitment fees associated with Collateral Obligations constituting Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans and fees associated with participations or letters of credit or synthetic letters of credit may (and in some cases will) be subject to U.S. withholding tax, which would reduce the Issuer’s net income from such activities. However, the Issuer does not anticipate that it will otherwise derive material amounts of any other items of income that would be subject to U.S. withholding taxes. Accordingly, assuming compliance with the foregoing restrictions and subject to the foregoing qualifications, income derived by the Issuer will be free of or fully “grossed up” for any material amount of U.S. withholding tax. It is possible that, as a result of a workout of a defaulted Collateral Obligation, the Issuer could receive an asset subject to withholding. However, there can be no assurance that income derived by the Issuer will not generally become subject to U.S. withholding tax as a result of a change in U.S. tax law or administrative practice, procedure, or interpretations thereof. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—Tax Considerations; No Gross-Up”. Any change in U.S. tax law or administrative practice, procedure, or interpretations thereof resulting in the income of the Issuer becoming subject to U.S. withholding taxes could constitute a Tax Event. See “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption”. It is also anticipated that the Issuer will acquire Collateral Obligations that consist of obligations of non-U.S. issuers. In this regard, the Issuer may only acquire a particular Collateral Obligation if the payments thereon are not subject to foreign withholding tax (except for U.S. withholding taxes which may be payable with respect to commitment fees and other similar fees (including, without limitation, certain payments on obligations or securities that include a participation in or that support a letter of credit) associated with Collateral Obligations constituting Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans and fees from a borrower under a synthetic letter of credit) or the obligor of the Collateral Obligation is required to make “gross-up” payments.

Prospective investors should be aware that, under certain Treasury Regulations, the IRS may disregard the participation of an intermediary in a “conduit” financing arrangement and the conclusions reached in the immediately preceding paragraph assume that Affected Banks will not, as a result of holding Securities, influence the selection of Collateral Obligations and that such Treasury Regulations do not apply. Those Treasury Regulations could require withholding of U.S. federal income tax from payments to the Issuer of interest on the Collateral Obligations. In order to prevent “conduit” classification, each holder and beneficial owner of a Class E Note, a Class I Preference Share or a Class II Preference Share that (i) is not a “United States person” (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) and (ii) is acquiring, directly or in conjunction with affiliates, more than 33 1/3% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Class of Securities will be deemed to make a representation to the effect that it is not an Affected Bank. “**Affected Bank**” means a “bank” for purposes of Section 881 of the Code or an entity acting on behalf of such a bank that neither (x) meets the definition of a U.S. Holder nor (y) is entitled to the benefits of an income tax treaty with the United States under which withholding taxes on interest payments made by obligors resident in the United States to such bank are reduced to 0%.

### **Tax Treatment of U.S. Holders of the Notes**

*Status of the Notes.* On the Closing Date, the Issuer will receive an opinion from Special U.S. Tax Counsel to the effect that the Senior Notes will be, and the Class E Notes should be, treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes when issued, and this summary assumes such treatment. Further, the Issuer and each U.S. Holder and beneficial owner of a Note, by acquiring such Note or an interest in such Note, will agree to treat such Note as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes, except (x) as otherwise required by applicable law, (y) to the extent that a holder makes a protective election to be treated as a qualified electing fund, or (z) to the extent that a holder files certain United States tax information returns required of only certain equity owners with respect to various reporting requirements under the Code. The determination of whether a Note will be treated as debt for United States federal income tax purposes is based on the applicable law and facts and circumstances existing at the time the Note is issued. However, the opinion of Special U.S. Tax Counsel is based on current law and certain representations and assumptions and is not binding on the IRS or the courts, and no ruling will be sought from the IRS regarding this, or any other, aspect of the U.S. federal income tax treatment of the Notes. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the IRS will not contend, and that a court will not ultimately hold, that one or more Classes of the Notes are properly

treated as equity in the Issuer for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Recharacterization of a Class of Notes, particularly the Class E Notes because of their subordination in the capital structure, may be more likely if a single investor or a group of investors that holds all of the Preference Shares also holds all of the more senior Class of Notes in the same proportion as the Preference Shares are held. If a Class of the Notes were treated as equity in, rather than debt of, the Issuer for U.S. federal income tax purposes, U.S. Holders of Notes of such Class would be subject to taxation under rules substantially the same as those set forth below under “Tax Treatment of U.S. Holders of Preference Shares” which could cause adverse tax consequences for such U.S. Holders upon the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other taxable disposition of, or the receipt of certain types of distributions on, such Notes.

*Maturity Extension and Extension Bonus Payment.* Because the Stated Maturity of the Notes may be extended if certain conditions are met, it is unclear whether the Notes should be treated as maturing on November 1, 2018 or November 1, 2034, or on a date between such dates. The Treasury regulations do not provide clear guidance on debt instruments with terms similar to the Notes. Absent further guidance, the Issuer intends to take the position that the Notes should be treated as maturing on November 1, 2018. If the Notes are extended, the Issuer intends to treat each Note, solely for purposes of sections 1272 and 1273 of the Code, as retired and reissued for an amount equal to the adjusted issue price on the date of the new Extension Effective Date. Prospective investors in the Notes should consult their tax advisors regarding whether the Notes should be treated as maturing on a different date and the tax consequences if the Notes have a different maturity date than that chosen by the Issuer.

If the Stated Maturity is extended and the Notes may be sold to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser that is related to the Issuer within the meaning of section 267(b) of the Code, the extension of the Stated Maturity could, or after the first Maturity Extension would, be treated as a modification of the Notes. If such extension constitutes a modification, there is a significant risk that U.S. Holders who continue to hold their Notes after such extension will be treated as having exchanged their Notes for new Notes (“**New Notes**”) in a deemed exchange for U.S. federal income tax purposes (a “**Deemed Exchange**”). Any such Deemed Exchange would be treated as a taxable exchange, resulting in gain or loss, if any. Furthermore, if the Notes are treated as exchanged for New Notes in a Deemed Exchange as a result of a Maturity Extension, whether the New Notes would be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes will depend on the facts and circumstances existing at the time of such Deemed Exchange. Tax Counsel is unable to opine on whether New Notes treated as received in a Deemed Exchange for the Notes will be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In the event of a Deemed Exchange, U.S. Holders are strongly urged to consult their tax advisors regarding the tax consequences of such Deemed Exchange.

The tax treatment of the Extension Bonus Payment is unclear. The Issuer intends to take the positions that the full amount of the Extension Bonus Payment should be taxable to U.S. Holders as ordinary income in accordance with their method of accounting and that neither the Extension Bonus Payment nor the Issuer’s options to extend the Stated Maturity should cause the Notes to be treated as subject to the rules applicable to “contingent payment debt instruments” under Section 1.1275-4 of the Treasury regulation. U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisors regarding the taxation of the Extension Bonus Payment and the tax consequences of the Notes if they are treated as contingent payment debt instruments.

*Interest or Discount on the Notes.* Subject to the discussion below, U.S. Holders of each Class of Notes generally will include in gross income payments of stated interest received on such Class of Notes, in accordance with their usual method of accounting for U.S. federal income tax purposes as ordinary interest income from sources outside the United States.

If the Issue Price of a Class of Notes is less than the “stated redemption price at maturity” of such Class of Notes by more than a *de minimis* amount, U.S. Holders of Notes of such Class will be considered to have purchased such Notes with original issue discount (“**OID**”). The stated redemption price at maturity of a Class of Notes will be the sum of all payments to be received on Notes of such Class, other than payments of “qualified stated interest” (i.e., generally, stated interest which is unconditionally payable in money at least annually during the entire term of a debt instrument; interest is unconditionally payable only if reasonable legal remedies exist to compel timely payment or the debt instrument otherwise provides terms and conditions that make the likelihood of late payment or nonpayment a remote contingency). Prospective U.S. Holders of the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes should note that, because interest on these Notes can be deferred, the Issuer intends to treat interest on these Classes as not unconditionally payable in money on each Payment Date (and, therefore, not “qualified stated interest”), and as a result include all of the stated interest payments on these Notes in the stated redemption prices at



maturity of these Notes, therefore requiring that interest be accrued by U.S. Holders pursuant to the OID rules described below. Such OID inclusion on such Notes generally will be treated as income from sources outside the United States.

A U.S. Holder of such Class of Notes issued with OID will be required to accrue and include in gross income the sum of the “daily portions” of total OID on such Notes for each day during the taxable year on which the U.S. Holder held such Notes, generally under a constant yield method, regardless of such U.S. Holder’s usual method of accounting for U.S. federal income tax purposes. If a Note is issued with only a *de minimis* amount of OID, such discount is not subject to accrual under the OID rules and should be included in gross income proportionately as stated principal payments are received. Such *de minimis* OID should be treated as gain from the sale or exchange of property and may be eligible to be treated as a capital gain if the Note is a capital asset in the hands of the U.S. Holder.

In the case of such Class of Notes that provides for a floating rate of interest, the amount of OID to be accrued over the term of such Notes will be based initially on the assumption that the floating rate in effect for the first accrual period of such Notes will remain constant throughout their term. To the extent such rate varies with respect to any accrual period, such variation will be reflected in an increase or decrease of the amount of OID accrued for such period. Under the foregoing method, U.S. Holders of the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes may be required to include in gross income increasingly greater amounts of OID and may be required to include OID in advance of the receipt of cash attributable to such income.

The Issuer intends to treat each Class of Notes issued with more than *de minimis* OID as being subject to the rules prescribed by Section 1272(a)(6) of the Code using an assumption as to the prepayments on such Class of Notes, as discussed below under “—OID on the Notes”. A prepayment assumption applies to debt instruments if payments under such debt instruments may be accelerated by reason of prepayments of other obligations securing such debt instruments.

*OID on the Notes.* The following discussion will apply to a Class of Notes if it is issued with more than *de minimis* OID. Because principal repayments on such Notes are subject to acceleration, the method by which OID on such Notes is required to be accrued is uncertain. For purposes of accruing OID on these Notes under such circumstances, the Issuer intends to treat these Notes as being subject to the “prepayment assumption method”. These rules require that the amount and rate of accrual of OID be calculated based on a prepayment assumption and the anticipated reinvestment rate, if any, relating to the Notes and prescribe a method for adjusting the amount and rate of accrual of the discount where the actual prepayment rate differs from the prepayment assumption. Under the Code, the prepayment assumption must be determined in the manner prescribed by the Treasury Regulations, which have not yet been issued. The legislative history provides, however, that Congress intended the Treasury Regulations to require that the prepayment assumption be the prepayment assumption that is used in determining the initial offering price of the Notes. Solely for purposes of determining OID, market discount and bond premium, the Issuer intends to assume that the Collateral Obligations will either not prepay or any prepayments will be reinvested. No representation is made that the Notes will prepay at the prepayment assumption or at any other rate.

It is possible the IRS could contend that another method of accruing OID with respect to these Notes is appropriate and, if successful, could apply rules that may result in adverse or more favorable U.S. federal income tax consequences to a U.S. Holder of such Notes. One such alternative method of accruing OID may be the noncontingent bond method that governs contingent payment debt obligations. Such method could affect the amount and character of the gain or loss recognized upon a disposition of a Note.

A purchaser of a Note issued with OID who purchases such Note at a price other than the adjusted Issue Price but at a cost less than the remaining stated redemption price at maturity will also be required to include in gross income the sum of the daily portions of OID on such Note. In computing the daily portions of OID for a purchaser of a Note that purchases at a price higher than the adjusted issue price, but less than the stated redemption price at maturity, however, the daily portion is reduced by the amount that would be the daily portion for the day (computed in accordance with the rules set forth above) *multiplied by* a fraction, the numerator of which is the amount, if any, by which the price paid by the U.S. holder for such Note exceeds the following amount:

- The sum of the Issue Price *plus* the aggregate amount of OID that would have been includible in the gross income of an original U.S. Holder (who purchased the Note at the Issue Price), less

- Any prior payments included in the stated redemption price at maturity,

and the denominator of which is the sum of the daily portions for such Note for all days beginning on the date after the purchase date and ending on the maturity date computed under the prepayment assumption.

As a result of the complexity of the OID rules, each U.S. Holder of Notes should consult its own tax advisor regarding the impact of the OID rules on its investment in such Notes.

*Premium.* A U.S. Holder who pays a premium (an amount in excess of the Note's stated redemption price at maturity) for a Note may elect to amortize such premium under a constant yield method over the life of such Note. The amortizable amount for any accrual period would offset the amount of OID that must be included in the gross income of a U.S. Holder in such accrual period. The U.S. Holder's basis in such Note would be reduced by the amount of amortization. It is not clear whether the prepayment assumption would be taken into account in determining the life of such Note for this purpose.

*Market Discount.* If a U.S. Holder acquires a Note at a discount to the adjusted issue price of the Note that is greater than a statutorily defined *de minimis* amount, such discount is treated as market discount. Absent an election to accrue into income currently, the amount of accrued market discount on a Note is included in income as ordinary income when principal payments are received or the U.S. Holder disposes of the Note. Market discount is included ratably unless a U.S. Holder elects to use a constant yield method for accrual. For this purpose, the term "ratably" may be based on the term of the Note, or a U.S. Holder may be permitted to accrue market discount in proportion to interest on Notes issued without OID or in proportion to OID on Notes issued with OID.

*Election to Treat All Interest as OID.* The OID rules permit a U.S. Holder of a Note to elect to accrue all interest, discount (including *de minimis* market or original issue discount) and premium in income as interest, based on a constant yield method. If an election to treat all interest as OID were to be made with respect to a Note with market discount, the U.S. Holder of such Note would be deemed to have made an election to include in income currently market discount with respect to all other debt instruments having market discount that such U.S. Holder acquires during the year of the election or thereafter. Similarly, a U.S. Holder that makes this election for a Note that is acquired at a premium will be deemed to have made an election to amortize bond premium with respect to all debt instruments having amortizable bond premium that such U.S. Holder owns or acquires. The election to accrue interest, discount and premium on a constant yield method with respect to a Note cannot be revoked without the consent of the IRS.

*Disposition of the Notes.* In general, a U.S. Holder of a Note initially will have a basis in such Note equal to the cost of such Note to such U.S. Holder, (i) increased by any amount includable in income by such U.S. Holder as OID (or accrued market discount such U.S. Holder previously included in income) with respect to such Note, and (ii) reduced by amortized premium and by any payments on such Note, other than payments of qualified stated interest on such Note. Upon a sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other taxable disposition of a Note, a U.S. Holder will generally recognize gain or loss equal to the difference between the amount realized on the disposition (other than amounts attributable to accrued qualified stated interest on such Note, which will be taxable as described above) and the U.S. Holder's tax basis in such Note. Except to the extent of accrued interest or market discount not previously included in income, gain or loss from the disposition of a Note generally will be long term capital gain or loss if the U.S. Holder held the Note for more than one year at the time of disposition, *provided* that such Note is held as a "capital asset" (generally, property held for investment) within the meaning of Section 1221 of the Code.

In certain circumstances, U.S. Holders that are individuals may be entitled to preferential treatment for net long-term capital gains; however, the ability of U.S. Holders to offset capital losses against ordinary income is limited.

Gain recognized by a U.S. Holder on the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other taxable disposition of a Note generally will be treated as from sources within the United States and loss so recognized generally will be available to offset income from sources in the United States.

*Alternative Characterization of the Notes.* Notwithstanding special U.S. tax counsel's opinion, U.S. Holders should recognize that there is some uncertainty regarding the appropriate classification of instruments such as the Notes. It is possible, for example, that the IRS may contend that a Class of Notes should be treated as equity

interests (or as part debt, part equity) in the Issuer. Such a recharacterization might result in material adverse U.S. federal income tax consequences to U.S. Holders. If U.S. Holders of a Class of the Notes were treated as owning equity interests in the Issuer, the U.S. federal income tax consequences to U.S. Holders of such recharacterized Notes would be as described under “—Tax Treatment of U.S. Holders of Preference Shares” and “—Tax Return Disclosure and Investor List Requirements.” In order to avoid the application of the PFIC rules, each U.S. Holder of a Security should consider making a qualified electing fund election provided in Section 1295 of the Code on a “protective” basis (although such protective election may not be respected by the IRS because current regulations do not specifically authorize that particular election). Further, U.S. Holders of any Class of Notes that may be recharacterized as equity in the Issuer should consult with their own tax advisors with respect to whether, if they owned equity in the Issuer, they would be required to file information returns in accordance with sections 6038, 6038B, and 6046 of the Code (and, if so, whether they should file such returns on a protective basis).

### **Tax Treatment of U.S. Holders of Preference Shares**

Based on the capital structure of the Issuer and the terms of the Preference Shares, it is likely the Preference Shares will be treated as equity for United States federal income tax purposes. The following discussion is based on the Preference Shares being treated as equity of the Issuer.

*Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company.* The Issuer will constitute a “passive foreign investment company” (“**PFIC**”). Accordingly, U.S. Holders of Preference Shares (other than certain U.S. Holders that are subject to the rules pertaining to a “controlled foreign corporation”, described below) will be considered U.S. shareholders in a PFIC and will be required to file annual information returns on IRS Form 8621 with their U.S. federal income tax returns. In general, a U.S. Holder of a PFIC may desire to make an election to treat the Issuer as a “qualified electing fund” (“**QEF**”) with respect to such U.S. Holder. Generally, a QEF election should be made by filing IRS Form 8621 with a U.S. Holder’s federal income tax return for the first taxable year for which it held Preference Shares, indicating on such form the Holder’s election to treat a PFIC as a QEF. If a timely QEF election is made for the Issuer, an electing U.S. Holder generally will be required in each taxable year to include in gross income (i) as ordinary income, such holder’s *pro rata* share of the Issuer’s ordinary earnings and (ii) as long term capital gain, such holder’s *pro rata* share of the Issuer’s net capital gain, whether or not distributed. A U.S. Holder will not be eligible for the preferential income tax rate on “qualified dividend income” (as defined in the Code) or the dividends received deduction with respect to any such income or gain. In addition, any losses of the Issuer in a taxable year will not be available to such U.S. Holder and may not be carried back or forward in computing the Issuer’s ordinary earnings and net capital gain in other taxable years. An amount included in an electing U.S. Holder’s gross income should be treated as income from sources outside the United States for U.S. foreign tax credit limitation purposes. However, if U.S. Holders collectively own (directly or constructively) 50% or more (measured by vote or value) of the Preference Shares, such amount will be treated as income from sources within the United States for such purposes to the extent that such amount is attributable to income of the Issuer from sources within the United States. If applicable to a U.S. Holder of Preference Shares, the rules pertaining to a “controlled foreign corporation”, discussed below, generally override those pertaining to a PFIC with respect to which a QEF election is in effect.

In certain cases in which a QEF does not distribute all of its earnings in a taxable year, U.S. shareholders may also be permitted to elect to defer payment of some or all of the taxes on the QEF’s income subject to an interest charge on the deferred amount. In this respect, prospective purchasers of Preference Shares should be aware that it is possible that the Collateral Obligations may be purchased by the Issuer with substantial OID, the cash payment of which may be deferred, perhaps for a substantial period of time, and the Issuer may use interest and other income from the Collateral Obligations to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or to retire Securities. As a result, the Issuer may have in any given year substantial amounts of earnings for U.S. federal income tax purposes that are not distributed on the Preference Shares. Thus, absent an election to defer payment of taxes, U.S. Holders that make a QEF election with respect to the Issuer may owe tax on significant undistributed income.

In addition, it should be noted that if the Issuer acquires obligations that are not in registered form, a U.S. Holder making a QEF election (a) may not be permitted to take a deduction for any loss attributable to such obligations when calculating its share of the Issuer’s earnings and (b) may be required to treat income attributable to such obligations as ordinary income even though the income would otherwise constitute capital gains. It is possible that some portion of the assets of the Issuer will constitute obligations that are not in registered form.

The Issuer will provide, upon request, all information and documentation that a U.S. Holder making a QEF election is required to obtain for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

A U.S. Holder of Preference Shares (other than certain U.S. Holders that are subject to the rules pertaining to a “controlled foreign corporation”, described below) that does not make a timely QEF election will be required to report any gain on disposition (including gain recognized upon a redemption) of any Preference Shares as if it were an excess distribution, rather than capital gain, and to compute the tax liability on such gain and any other excess distribution received with respect to the Preference Shares as if such items had been earned ratably over each day in the U.S. Holder’s holding period (or a certain portion thereof) for the Preference Shares. The U.S. Holder will be subject to tax on such items at the highest ordinary income tax rate for each taxable year, other than the current year of the U.S. Holder (which are includable as ordinary income by such U.S. Holder for such current year), in which the items were treated as having been earned, regardless of the rate otherwise applicable to the U.S. Holder. Further, such U.S. Holder will also be liable for an additional tax equal to interest on the tax liability attributable to income allocated to prior years as if such liability had been due with respect to each such prior year. For purposes of these rules, gifts, exchanges pursuant to corporate reorganizations and use of the Preference Shares as security for a loan may be treated as a taxable disposition of such Preference Shares. Very generally, an “excess distribution” is the amount by which distributions during a taxable year with respect to a Preference Share exceed 125 percent of the average amount of distributions in respect thereof during the three preceding taxable years (or, if shorter, the U.S. Holder’s holding period for the Preference Share). In addition, a stepped-up basis in the Preference Shares upon the death of an individual U.S. Holder may not be available.

In many cases, application of the tax on gain on disposition and receipt of excess distributions will be substantially more onerous than the treatment applicable if a timely QEF election is made. ACCORDINGLY, U.S. HOLDERS OF PREFERENCE SHARES SHOULD CONSIDER CAREFULLY WHETHER TO MAKE A QEF ELECTION WITH RESPECT TO THE PREFERENCE SHARES AND THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT MAKING SUCH AN ELECTION.

*Investment in a Controlled Foreign Corporation.* The Issuer may be classified as a controlled foreign corporation (“CFC”). In general, a foreign corporation will be classified as a CFC if more than 50% of the shares of the corporation, measured by reference to combined voting power or value, is owned (actually or constructively) by “U.S. Shareholders”. A U.S. Shareholder, for this purpose, is any U.S. person that possesses (actually or constructively) 10% or more of the combined voting power (generally the right to vote for directors of the corporation) of all classes of shares of a corporation. Although the Preference Shares do not vote for directors of the Issuer, it is possible that the IRS would assert that the Preference Shares are de facto voting securities and that U.S. Holders possessing (actually or constructively) 10% or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock entitled to vote (including the Preference Shares) are U.S. Shareholders. If this argument were successful and more than 50% of the Preference Shares (determined with respect to aggregate value or combined voting power) are owned (actually or constructively) by such U.S. Shareholders, the Issuer would be treated as a CFC.

If the Issuer were treated as a CFC, a U.S. Shareholder who holds Preference Shares of the Issuer on the last day of the Issuer’s taxable year would be treated, subject to certain exceptions, as receiving a deemed dividend at the end of the taxable year of the Issuer in an amount equal to that person’s *pro rata* share of the “subpart F income” of the Issuer (which may include any subpart F income of the Issuer during the warehousing of the Collateral Obligations). Such deemed dividend would be treated as income from sources within the United States for U.S. foreign tax credit limitation purposes to the extent that it is attributable to income of the Issuer from sources within the United States. Among other items, and subject to certain exceptions, “subpart F income” includes dividends, interest, annuities, gains from the sale or exchange of shares and securities, certain gains from commodities transactions, certain types of insurance income and income from certain transactions with related parties. It is likely that, if the Issuer were to constitute a CFC, all or most of its income would be subpart F income and, in general, if the Issuer’s subpart F income exceeds 70% of its gross income for a taxable year, the entire amount of the Issuer’s income for such taxable year will be treated as subpart F income.

If the Issuer were treated as a CFC, a U.S. Shareholder of the Issuer which made a QEF election with respect to the Issuer would be taxable on the subpart F income of the Issuer under rules described in the preceding paragraph and not under the QEF rules previously described. As a result, to the extent subpart F income of the Issuer includes net capital gains, such gains will be treated as ordinary income of the U.S. Shareholder under the CFC rules,



notwithstanding the fact that the character of such gains generally would otherwise be preserved under the QEF rules.

Furthermore, if the Issuer were treated as a CFC and a U.S. Holder were treated as a U.S. Shareholder therein, the Issuer would not be treated as a PFIC or a QEF with respect to such U.S. Holder for the period during which the Issuer remained a CFC and such U.S. Holder remained a U.S. Shareholder therein (the “qualified portion” of the U.S. Holder’s holding period for the Preference Shares). If the qualified portion of such U.S. Holder’s holding period for the Preference Shares subsequently ceased (either because the Issuer ceased to be a CFC or the U.S. Holder ceased to be a U.S. Shareholder), then solely for purposes of the PFIC rules, such U.S. Holder’s holding period for the Preference Shares would be treated as beginning on the first day following the end of such qualified portion, unless the U.S. Holder had owned any Preference Shares for any period of time prior to such qualified portion and had not made a QEF election with respect to the Issuer. In that case, the Issuer would again be treated as a PFIC which is not a QEF with respect to such U.S. Holder and the beginning of such U.S. Holder’s holding period for the Preference Shares would continue to be the date upon which such U.S. Holder acquired the Preference Shares, unless the U.S. Holder made an election to recognize gain with respect to the Preference Shares and a QEF election with respect to the Issuer.

*Indirect Interests in PFICs and CFCs.* If the Issuer owns a Collateral Obligation or an Eligible Equity Security issued by a non-U.S. corporation that is treated as equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes, U.S. Holders of Preference Shares could be treated as owning an indirect equity interest in a PFIC or a CFC and could be subject to certain adverse tax consequences.

In particular, if the Issuer owns equity interests in PFICs (“**Lower-Tier PFICs**”), a U.S. Holder of Preference Shares would be treated as owning directly the U.S. Holder’s proportionate amount (by value) of the Issuer’s equity interests in the Lower-Tier PFICs. A U.S. Holder’s QEF election with respect to the Issuer would not be effective with respect to such Lower-Tier PFICs. However, a U.S. Holder would be able to make QEF elections with respect to such Lower-Tier PFICs if the Lower-Tier PFICs provide certain information and documentation to the Issuer in accordance with applicable Treasury Regulations. However, there can be no assurance that the Issuer would be able to obtain such information and documentation from any Lower-Tier PFIC, and thus there can be no assurance that a U.S. Holder would be able to make or maintain a QEF election with respect to any Lower-Tier PFIC. If a U.S. Holder does not have a QEF election in effect with respect to a Lower-Tier PFIC, as a general matter, the U.S. Holder would be subject to the adverse consequences described above under “—Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company” with respect to any excess distributions made by such Lower-Tier PFIC to the Issuer, any gain on the disposition by the Issuer of its equity interest in such Lower-Tier PFIC treated as indirectly realized by such U.S. Holder, and any gain treated as indirectly realized by such U.S. Holder on the disposition of its equity in the Issuer (which may arise even if the U.S. Holder realizes a loss on such disposition). Such amount would not be reduced by expenses or losses of the Issuer, but any income recognized may increase a U.S. Holder’s tax basis in its Preference Shares. Moreover, if the U.S. Holder has a QEF election in effect with respect to a Lower-Tier PFIC, the U.S. Holder would be required to include in income the U.S. Holder’s *pro rata* share of the Lower-Tier PFIC’s ordinary earnings and net capital gain as if the U.S. Holder’s indirect equity interest in the Lower-Tier PFIC were directly owned, and it appears that the U.S. Holder would not be permitted to use any losses or other expenses of the Issuer to offset such ordinary earnings and/or net capital gains, but recognition of such income may increase a U.S. Holder’s tax basis in its Preference Shares.

Accordingly, if any of the Collateral Obligations or Eligible Equity Securities are treated as equity interests in a PFIC, such U.S. Holders could experience significant amounts of phantom income with respect to such interests. Other adverse tax consequences may arise for such U.S. Holders that are treated as owning indirect interests in CFCs. U.S. Holders should consult their own tax advisors regarding the tax issues associated with such investments in light of their own individual circumstances.

*Distributions on Preference Shares.* The treatment of actual distributions of cash on the Preference Shares, in very general terms, will vary depending on whether a U.S. Holder has made a timely QEF election as described above. See “—Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company”. If a timely QEF election has been made, distributions should be allocated first to amounts previously taxed pursuant to the QEF election (or pursuant to the CFC rules, if applicable) and to this extent will not be taxable to U.S. Holders. Distributions in excess of amounts previously taxed pursuant to a QEF election (or pursuant to the CFC rules, if applicable) will be treated as dividends (but not eligible for the reduced tax rate applicable to “qualified dividend income”) and taxable to U.S. Holders as

ordinary income upon receipt to the extent of any remaining amounts of untaxed current and accumulated earnings and profits of the Issuer. Distributions in excess of any current and accumulated earnings and profits will be treated first as a nontaxable reduction to the U.S. Holder's tax basis for the Preference Shares to the extent thereof and then as capital gain.

In the event that a U.S. Holder does not make a timely QEF election, then except to the extent that distributions may be attributable to amounts previously taxed pursuant to the CFC rules, some or all of any distributions with respect to the Preference Shares may constitute "excess distributions", taxable as previously described. See "—Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company". In that event, except to the extent that distributions may be attributable to amounts previously taxed to the U.S. Holder pursuant to the CFC rules or are treated as "excess distributions", distributions on the Preference Shares generally would be treated as dividends to the extent paid out of the Issuer's current or accumulated earnings and profits not allocated to any "excess distributions", then as a nontaxable reduction to the U.S. Holder's tax basis for the Preference Shares to the extent thereof and then as capital gain. Dividends on the Preference Shares would not be "qualified dividend income" and therefore would be taxable to individuals, trusts and estates as ordinary income rather than at the 15% net capital gain rate. Dividends received from a foreign corporation generally will be treated as income from sources outside the United States for U.S. foreign tax credit limitation purposes. However, if U.S. Holders collectively own (directly or constructively) 50% or more (measured by vote or value) of the Preference Shares, a percentage of the dividend income equal to the proportion of the Issuer's earnings and profits from sources within the United States generally will be treated as income from sources within the United States for such purposes.

*Disposition of the Preference Shares.* In general, a U.S. Holder of a Preference Share will recognize gain or loss upon the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other taxable disposition of a Preference Share equal to the difference between the amount realized and such U.S. Holder's adjusted tax basis in the Preference Share. Except as discussed below, such gain or loss will be long-term capital gain or loss if the U.S. Holder held the Preference Share for more than one year at the time of the disposition. In certain circumstances, U.S. Holders who are individuals may be entitled to preferential treatment for net long-term capital gains; however, the ability of U.S. Holders to offset capital losses against ordinary income is limited. Gain recognized by a U.S. Holder on the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other taxable disposition of a Preference Share (other than, in the case of a U.S. Holder treated as a "U.S. Shareholder", any such gain characterized as a dividend, as discussed below) generally will be treated as from sources within the United States and loss so recognized generally will be available to offset income from sources within the United States.

Initially, a U.S. Holder's tax basis for a Preference Share will equal the amount paid for the Preference Share. Such basis will be increased by amounts taxable to such U.S. Holder by virtue of a QEF election, or by virtue of the CFC rules, as applicable, and decreased by actual distributions from the Issuer that are deemed to consist of such previously taxed amounts or are treated as a nontaxable reduction to the U.S. Holder's tax basis for the Preference Share (as described above).

If a U.S. Holder does not make a timely QEF election as described above, any gain realized on the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other taxable disposition of a Preference Share (or any gain deemed to accrue prior to the time a non-timely QEF election is made) will be taxed as ordinary income and subject to an additional tax reflecting a deemed interest charge under the special tax rules described above. See "—Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company".

Except for a limited exception applicable to individuals, if the Issuer were treated as a CFC and a U.S. Holder were treated as a "U.S. Shareholder" therein, then any gain realized by such U.S. Holder upon the disposition of Preference Shares, other than gain constituting an excess distribution under the PFIC rules, if applicable, would be treated as a dividend to the extent of the U.S. Holder's share of the current or accumulated earnings and profits of the Issuer. In this regard, earnings and profits would not include any amounts previously taxed pursuant to a timely QEF election or pursuant to the CFC rules.

### **Certain Reporting Requirements**

A U.S. Holder of Preference Shares that owns (actually or constructively) at least 10% by vote or value of the Issuer (and each officer or director of the Issuer that is a U.S. citizen or resident) may be required to file an information return on IRS Form 5471. A U.S. Holder of Preference Shares generally is required to provide

additional information regarding the Issuer annually on IRS Form 5471 if it owns (actually or constructively) more than 50% by vote or value of the Issuer. U.S. Holders should consult their own tax advisors regarding whether they are required to file IRS Form 5471.

A U.S. person (including a tax exempt entity) that purchases the Preference Shares for cash will be required to file an IRS Form 926 or similar form with the IRS if (a) such person owned, directly or by attribution, immediately after the transfer at least 10% by vote or value of the Issuer or (b) if the transfer, when aggregated with all transfers made by such person (or any related person) within the preceding 12 month period, exceeds \$100,000. In the event a U.S. Holder fails to file any such required form, the U.S. Holder could be required to pay a penalty equal to 10% of the gross amount paid for such Preference Shares (subject to a maximum penalty of \$100,000, except in cases involving intentional disregard). U.S. persons should consult their tax advisors with respect to this or any other reporting requirement which may apply with respect to their acquisition of the Preference Shares.

### **Tax Treatment of Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders of Securities**

U.S. Holders which are tax-exempt entities (“**Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders**”) will not be subject to the tax on unrelated business taxable income (“**UBTI**”) with respect to interest and capital gains income derived from an investment in the Senior Notes or the Class E Notes (assuming that the Class E Notes are treated as debt of the Issuer for U.S. federal income tax purposes). However, a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder that also acquires the Preference Shares (or, if recharacterized as equity in the Issuer for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the Class E Notes) should consider whether interest it receives with respect to the Securities may be treated as UBTI under rules governing certain payments received from controlled entities.

A Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder generally will not be subject to the tax on UBTI with respect to regular distributions or “excess distributions” (defined above under “—Tax Treatment of U.S. Holders of Preference Shares — Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company”) on the Preference Shares. A Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder which is not subject to tax on UBTI with respect to “excess distributions” may not make a QEF election. In addition, a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder which is subject to the rules relating to “controlled foreign corporations” with respect to the Preference Shares (or, if recharacterized as equity in the Issuer for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the Class E Notes) generally should not be subject to the tax on UBTI with respect to income from such Preference Shares (or, if recharacterized as equity in the Issuer for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the Class E Notes).

Notwithstanding the discussion in the preceding two paragraphs, a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder which incurs “acquisition indebtedness” (as defined in Section 514(c) of the Code) with respect to the Securities may be subject to the tax on UBTI with respect to income from the Securities to the extent that the Securities constitute “debt-financed property” (as defined in Section 514(b) of the Code) of the Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder. A Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder subject to the tax on UBTI with respect to income from the Preference Shares (or, if recharacterized as equity in the Issuer for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the Class E Notes) will be taxed on “excess distributions” in the manner discussed above under “—Tax Treatment of U.S. Holders of Preference Shares—Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company”. Such a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder will be permitted, and should consider whether, to make a QEF election with respect to the Issuer as discussed above.

Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders should consult their own tax advisors regarding an investment in the Securities.

### **Tax Return Disclosure and Investor List Requirements**

Any person that files a U.S. federal income tax return or U.S. federal information return and participates in a “reportable transaction” in a taxable year is required to disclose certain information on IRS Form 8886 (or its successor form) attached to such person’s U.S. tax return for such taxable year (and also file a copy of such form with the IRS’s Office of Tax Shelter Analysis) and to retain certain documents related to the transaction. In addition, under these regulations, under certain circumstances, certain organizers and sellers and other advisors with respect to a “reportable transaction” will be required to file reports with the IRS and maintain lists of participants in the transaction containing identifying information, retain certain documents related to the transaction, and furnish those lists and documents to the IRS upon request. There are significant penalties for failure to comply with these disclosure and list keeping requirements. The definition of “reportable transaction” is highly technical. However, in very general terms, a transaction may be a “reportable transaction” if, among other things, it is offered under conditions of confidentiality or it results in the claiming of a loss or losses for U.S. federal income tax purposes in excess of certain threshold amounts.

In this regard, in order to prevent the investors' purchase of Securities in this offering from being treated as offered under conditions of confidentiality, the Servicer, the Issuer and the holders and beneficial owners of the Securities (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) may disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure of the transactions described herein and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to them relating to such U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure. For this purpose, the U.S. tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. tax treatment of the transaction under applicable U.S. federal, state or local tax law, and the U.S. tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. tax treatment of the transaction under applicable U.S. federal, state or local tax law.

If the Issuer participates in a "reportable transaction", a U.S. Holder of Preference Shares that is a "reporting shareholder" of the Issuer will be treated as participating in the transaction and will be subject to the rules described above. Although most of the Issuer's activities generally are not expected to give rise to "reportable transactions", the Issuer nevertheless may participate in certain types of transactions that could be treated as "reportable transactions". A U.S. Holder of Preference Shares will be treated as a "reporting shareholder" of the Issuer if (i) such U.S. Holder owns 10% or more of the Preference Shares and makes a QEF election with respect to the Issuer or (ii) the Issuer is treated as a CFC and such U.S. Holder is a "U.S. Shareholder" (as defined above) of the Issuer. The Issuer will make reasonable efforts to make such information available.

Prospective investors in the Securities should consult their own tax advisors concerning any possible disclosure obligations under these Treasury Regulations with respect to their ownership or disposition of the Securities in light of their particular circumstances.

#### **Tax Treatment of Non-U.S. Holders of Securities**

In general, payments on the Securities to a Holder that is not, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a U.S. Holder (a "**Non-U.S. Holder**") and gain realized on the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other disposition of the Securities by a Non-U.S. Holder, will not be subject to U.S. federal income or withholding tax, unless (a) such income is effectively connected with a trade or business conducted by such Non-U.S. Holder in the United States, (b) notwithstanding the opinion of Special U.S. Tax Counsel, it is not the case that less than 25% of the gross income from all sources of the Issuer for the 3-year period ending with the close of its taxable year preceding the payments on the Securities taxable as dividends was effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business within the United States, or (c) in the case of gain, such Non-U.S. Holder is a nonresident alien individual who holds the Securities as a capital asset and is present in the United States for more than 182 days in the taxable year of the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other disposition of the Securities and certain other conditions are satisfied.

#### **Information Reporting and Backup Withholding**

Under certain circumstances, the Code requires "information reporting", and may require "backup withholding", with respect to certain payments made on the Securities and the payment of the proceeds from the disposition of the Securities. Backup withholding generally will not apply to corporations, tax-exempt organizations, qualified pension and profit sharing trusts, and individual retirement accounts. Backup withholding will apply to a U.S. Holder if the U.S. Holder fails to provide certain identifying information (such as the U.S. Holder's taxpayer identification number) or otherwise comply with the applicable requirements of the backup withholding rules. The application for exemption from backup withholding for a U.S. Holder is available by providing a properly completed IRS Form W-9.

A Non-U.S. Holder of the Securities generally will not be subject to these information reporting requirements or backup withholding with respect to payments of interest or distributions on the Securities if (a) it certifies to the Trustee its status as a Non-U.S. Holder under penalties of perjury on the appropriate IRS Form W-8, and (b) in the case of a Non-U.S. Holder that is a "nonwithholding foreign partnership", "foreign simple trust" or "foreign grantor trust" as defined in the applicable U.S. Treasury Regulations under the Code, the beneficial owners of such Non-U.S. Holder also certify their status as Non-U.S. Holders under penalties of perjury on the appropriate IRS Form W-8.

The payments of the proceeds from the disposition of a Security by a Non-U.S. Holder to or through the U.S. office of a broker generally will not be subject to information reporting and backup withholding if the Non-U.S.



Holder certifies its status as a Non-U.S. Holder (and, if applicable, its beneficial owners also certify their status as Non-U.S. Holders) under penalties of perjury on the appropriate IRS Form W-8, satisfies certain documentary evidence requirements for establishing that it is a Non-U.S. Holder, or otherwise establishes an exemption. The payment of the proceeds from the disposition of a Security by a Non-U.S. Holder to or through a non-U.S. office of a non-U.S. broker will not be subject to backup withholding or information reporting unless the non-U.S. broker has certain specific types of relationships to the United States, in which case the treatment of such payment for such purposes will be as described in the following sentence. The payment of proceeds from the disposition of a Security by a Non-U.S. Holder to or through a non-U.S. office of a U.S. broker or to or through a non-U.S. broker with certain specific types of relationships to the United States generally will not be subject to backup withholding but will be subject to information reporting unless the Non-U.S. Holder certifies its status as a Non-U.S. Holder (and, if applicable, its beneficial owners also certify their status as Non-U.S. Holders) under penalties of perjury or the broker has certain documentary evidence in its files as to the Non-U.S. Holder's foreign status and the broker has no actual knowledge to the contrary.

Backup withholding is not an additional tax and may be credited against the U.S. Holder's or Non-U.S. Holder's U.S. federal income tax liability, and then refunded to the extent of any excess thereon; *provided* that certain required information is furnished to the IRS. The information reporting requirements may apply regardless of whether withholding is required.

### **Foreign, State and Local Taxes**

Holders of Securities may be liable for foreign, state and local taxes in the country, state, or locality in which they are resident or doing business. Since the tax laws of each country, state, and locality may differ, each prospective investor should consult its own tax counsel with respect to any taxes other than United States federal income taxes that may be payable as a result of an investment in the Securities.

*Cayman Islands Taxation.* The following discussion of certain Cayman Islands income tax consequences of an investment in the Securities is based on the advice of Walkers as to Cayman Islands law. The discussion is a general summary of present law, which is subject to prospective and retroactive change. It assumes that the Issuer will conduct its affairs in accordance with assumptions made by and representations made to, counsel. It is not intended as tax advice, does not consider any investor's particular circumstances, and does not consider tax consequences other than those arising under Cayman Islands law.

Under existing Cayman Islands laws:

- (i) payments of principal and interest on the Notes and dividends and capital in respect of the Preference Shares will not be subject to taxation in the Cayman Islands and no withholding will be required on such payments to any Holder of a Security and gains derived from the sale of Securities will not be subject to Cayman Islands income or corporation tax. The Cayman Islands currently have no income, corporation or capital gains tax and no estate duty, inheritance tax or gift tax;
- (ii) no stamp duty is payable in respect of the issue or transfer of Securities although duty may be payable if Notes are executed in or brought into the Cayman Islands; and
- (iii) certificates evidencing Securities, in registered form, to which title is not transferable by delivery, should not attract Cayman Islands stamp duty. However, an instrument transferring title to a Note or an agreement to transfer Preference Shares, if brought to or executed in the Cayman Islands, would be subject to Cayman Islands stamp duty.

The Issuer is incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands as an exempted company with limited liability and, as such, has applied for and received an undertaking from the Governor in Cabinet of the Cayman Islands in substantially the following form:

“THE TAX CONCESSIONS LAW  
1999 REVISION  
UNDERTAKING AS TO TAX CONCESSIONS

In accordance with Section 6 of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision) the Governor in Cabinet undertakes with:

Aberdeen Loan Funding, Ltd. (in its former name Rockwall CDO III Ltd.) “the Company”

(a) that no law which is hereafter enacted in the Islands imposing any tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations shall apply to the Company or its operations; and

(b) in addition, that no tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations or which is in the nature of estate duty or inheritance tax shall be payable:

(i) on or in respect of the shares, debentures or other obligations of the Company; or

(ii) by way of the withholding in whole or part, of any relevant payment as defined in Section 6(3) of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision).

These concessions shall be for a period of THIRTY years from the 30th day of January 2007.

GOVERNOR IN CABINET”

The Cayman Islands does not have an income tax treaty arrangement with the U.S. or any other country.

**THE PRECEDING DISCUSSION IS ONLY A SUMMARY OF CERTAIN OF THE TAX IMPLICATIONS OF AN INVESTMENT IN THE SECURITIES. PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS ARE URGED TO CONSULT WITH THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS PRIOR TO INVESTING TO DETERMINE THE TAX IMPLICATIONS OF SUCH INVESTMENT IN LIGHT OF SUCH INVESTORS’ CIRCUMSTANCES.**

#### **CERTAIN ERISA CONSIDERATIONS**

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The advice below was not written and is not intended to be used and cannot be used by any taxpayer for purposes of avoiding United States federal income tax penalties that may be imposed. The advice is written to support the promotion or marketing of the transaction. Each taxpayer should seek advice based on the taxpayer’s particular circumstances from an independent tax advisor.

The foregoing disclaimer is provided to satisfy obligations under Circular 230 governing standards of practice before the Internal Revenue Service.

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The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“**ERISA**”), imposes certain requirements on “employee benefit plans” (as defined in Section 3(3) of, and that are subject to, Title I of ERISA), including entities such as collective investment funds and insurance company separate accounts whose underlying assets include the assets of such plans (collectively, “**ERISA Plans**”) and on those persons who are fiduciaries with respect to ERISA Plans. Investments by ERISA Plans are subject to ERISA’s general fiduciary requirements, including the requirement of investment prudence and diversification and the requirement that an ERISA Plan’s investments be made in accordance with the documents governing the ERISA Plan. The prudence of a particular investment must be determined by the responsible fiduciary of an ERISA Plan by taking into account the ERISA Plan’s particular circumstances and all of the facts and circumstances of the investment including, but not limited to, the matters discussed above under “Risk Factors” and the fact that in the future there may be no market in which such fiduciary will be able to sell or otherwise dispose of the Securities.

Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code prohibit certain transactions involving the assets of an ERISA Plan (as well as those plans that are not subject to ERISA but which are subject to Section 4975 of the Code, such as individual retirement accounts (together with ERISA Plans, “**Plans**”)) and certain persons (referred to as “parties in interest” or “disqualified persons”) having certain relationships to such Plans, unless a statutory or administrative exemption is applicable to the transaction. A party in interest or disqualified person who engages in a

prohibited transaction may be subject to excise taxes and other penalties and liabilities under ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code.

Governmental plans, certain church plans and non-U.S. plans, while not subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA or the provisions of Section 4975 of the Code, may nevertheless be subject to state, local or other federal and non U.S. laws that are substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code (“**Substantially Similar Law**”). Fiduciaries of any such plans should consult with their counsel before purchasing any Securities.

The U.S. Department of Labor has promulgated regulations, 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101, which have been modified by Section 3(42) of ERISA (collectively, the “**Plan Asset Regulation**”), describing what constitutes the assets of a Plan with respect to the Plan’s investment in an entity for purposes of certain provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code, including the fiduciary responsibility provisions of Title I of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code. Under the Plan Asset Regulation, if a Plan invests in an “equity interest” of an entity that is neither a “publicly offered security” nor a security issued by an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act, the Plan’s assets include both the equity interest and an undivided interest in each of the entity’s underlying assets, unless it is established that the entity is an “operating company” or, as further discussed below, that equity participation in the entity by “benefit plan investors” is not “significant.”

Prohibited transactions within the meaning of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code may arise if Notes are acquired with the assets of a Plan with respect to which the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, the Trustee, the Servicer, any seller of Collateral Obligations to the Issuer and the Co-Issuer or any of their respective Affiliates, is a party in interest or a disqualified person. Certain exemptions from the prohibited transaction provisions of Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code may be applicable, however, depending in part on the type of Plan fiduciary making the decision to acquire a Security and the circumstances under which such decision is made. Included among these exemptions are Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption (“**PTCE**”) 91-38 (relating to investments by bank collective investment funds), PTCE 84-14 (relating to transactions effected by independent “qualified professional asset managers”), PTCE 90-1 (relating to investments by insurance company pooled separate accounts), PTCE 95-60 (relating to investments by insurance company general accounts), and PTCE 96-23 (relating to transactions effected by certain “in-house asset managers”) (“**Investor-Based Exemptions**”). There can be no assurance that any of these Investor-Based Exemptions or any other exemption will be available with respect to any particular transaction involving the Securities. There is also a statutory exemption that may be available under Section 408(b)(17) of ERISA and Section 4975(d)(20) of the Code to a party in interest that is a service provider to a Plan investing in the Securities for adequate consideration, provided such service provider is not (i) the fiduciary with respect to the Plan’s assets used to acquire the Securities or an affiliate of such fiduciary or (ii) an affiliate of the employer sponsoring the Plan (the “**Service Provider Exemption**”). Adequate consideration means fair market as determined in good faith by the Plan fiduciary pursuant to regulations to be promulgated by the U.S. Department of Labor.

Any Plan fiduciary or other person who proposes to use assets of any Plan to purchase any Securities should consult with its counsel regarding the applicability of the fiduciary responsibility and prohibited transaction provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code to such an investment, and to confirm that such investment will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction or any other violation of an applicable requirement of ERISA.

The sale of any Security to a Plan, or to a person using assets of any Plan to effect its purchase of any Security, is in no respect a representation by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Initial Purchaser or the Servicer that such an investment meets all relevant legal requirements with respect to investments by Plans generally or any particular Plan, or that such an investment is appropriate for Plans generally or any particular Plan.

Any insurance company proposing to invest assets of its general account in Securities should consider the extent to which such investment would be subject to the requirements of Title I of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code in light of the U.S. Supreme Court’s decision in *John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co. v. Harris Trust and Savings Bank*, 510 U.S. 86 (1993), and the enactment of Section 401(c) of ERISA on August 20, 1996. In particular, such an insurance company should consider (i) the exemptive relief granted by the U.S. Department of Labor for transactions involving insurance company general accounts in PTCE 95-60 and (ii) if such exemptive relief is not available, whether its purchase of Securities will be permissible under the final regulations issued under Section

401(c) of ERISA. The final regulations provide guidance on which assets held by an insurance company constitute “plan assets” for purposes of the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code. The regulations do not exempt the assets of insurance company general accounts from treatment as “plan assets” to the extent they support certain participating annuities issued to Plans after December 31, 1998.

### **The Senior Notes**

The Plan Asset Regulation defines an “equity interest” as any interest in an entity other than an instrument that is treated as indebtedness under applicable local law and which has no substantial equity features. As noted above in Income Tax Considerations, it is the opinion of tax counsel to the Issuer and the Co-Issuer that the Senior Notes will be treated as debt for U.S. income tax purposes. Although there is little guidance on the subject, at the time of their issuance, the Senior Notes should be treated as indebtedness without substantial equity features for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulation. This determination is based in part upon (i) tax counsel’s opinion that the Senior Notes will be classified as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes when issued and (ii) the traditional debt features of the Senior Notes, including the reasonable expectation of purchasers of the Senior Notes that they will be repaid when due, as well as the absence of conversion rights, warrants and other typical equity features. Based upon and subject to the foregoing and other considerations, and subject to the considerations described below, the Senior Notes may be purchased by a Plan. Nevertheless, without regard to whether the Senior Notes are considered equity interests, prohibited transactions within the meaning of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code may arise if the Senior Notes are acquired with the assets of an ERISA Plan with respect to which the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Initial Purchaser or the Trustee or, in certain circumstances, any of their respective Affiliates, is a party in interest or a disqualified person. The Investor-Based Exemptions or the Service Provider Exemption may be available to cover such prohibited transactions.

By the acquisition of any Senior Notes, each purchaser and subsequent transferee thereof, and each fiduciary acting on behalf of the purchaser or subsequent transferee (both in its fiduciary and corporate capacity), will be deemed to have represented and warranted at the time of the purchase or subsequent transfer and throughout the period such Senior Note is held either that (a) such purchaser or subsequent transferee is neither a Plan nor any entity whose underlying assets include “plan assets” (within the meaning of the Plan Asset Regulation) by reason of such Plan’s investment in the entity, nor a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan which is subject to any Substantially Similar Law or (b) (i) in connection with the acquisition, holding and disposition of such Senior Note, the purchaser’s or subsequent transferee’s fiduciary has determined that such purchaser or subsequent transferee is receiving no less, and paying no more, than “adequate consideration” (within the meaning of Section 408(b)(17)(B) of ERISA and Section 4975(f)(10) of the Code) and (ii) the purchase, holding and disposition of a Senior Note by such purchaser or subsequent transferee will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan, a non-exempt violation of any Substantially Similar Law).

Any Plan fiduciary or other person who proposes to use assets of any Plan to purchase any Senior Notes should consult with its counsel regarding the applicability of the fiduciary responsibility and prohibited transaction provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code to such an investment, and to confirm that such investment will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction or any other violation of an applicable requirement of ERISA.

### **The Class E Notes and the Preference Shares**

Equity participation in an issuer of securities by “benefit plan investors” is “significant” and will cause the assets of the Issuer to be deemed the assets of an investing Plan (in the absence of another applicable Plan Asset Regulation exception) if 25% or more of the value of any class of equity interest in the Issuer is held by “benefit plan investors,” as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation. The term “benefit plan investor” includes (a) an employee benefit plan (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) that is subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA, (b) a plan as defined in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code, (c) any entity whose underlying assets include “plan assets” by reason of any such employee benefit plan’s or plan’s investment in the entity or (d) as such term is otherwise modified from time to time (collectively “**Benefit Plan Investors**”). For purposes of making the 25% determination, the value of any equity interests held by a person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) who has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or any person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to such assets, or any



Affiliate of such person (each, a “**Controlling Person**”), is disregarded. Under the Plan Asset Regulation, an “affiliate” of a person includes any person, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controlling, controlled by or under common control with the person, and “control” with respect to a person other than an individual, means the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of such person. The Preference Shares and the Class E Notes are considered equity investments for the purposes of applying Title I of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code. Accordingly, purchases and transfers of the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares by Benefit Plan Investors from the Initial Purchaser or the Issuer and any subsequent transferee will be limited to less than 25% of the value of each of all Outstanding Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares by requiring each such purchaser and subsequent transferee to make certain representations and/or to agree to certain transfer restrictions regarding their status as Benefit Plan Investors or Controlling Persons (the “**25% Limitation**”). Class E Notes or Preference Shares either (i) held as principal by the Servicer, the Trustee, any of their respective affiliates, employees of the Servicer, the Trustee or any of their affiliates and any charitable foundation of any such employees (other than any of such interests held as a Benefit Plan Investor) or (ii) held by persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons (to the extent that such a Controlling Person is not a Benefit Plan Investor), will be disregarded and will not be treated as Outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% Limitation.

With respect to the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares, or any beneficial interest therein, a purchaser or subsequent transferee, and each fiduciary acting on behalf of such purchaser or subsequent transferee (both in its fiduciary and corporate capacity), will be required to represent and warrant, at the time of the acquisition and throughout the period such Class E Note, Class I Preference Share or Class II Preference Share is held, (1) whether or not such purchaser or subsequent transferee is a Benefit Plan Investor, (2) whether or not such purchaser or subsequent transferee is a Controlling Person and (3) (a) if such purchaser or subsequent transferee is a Benefit Plan Investor, (i) in connection with the acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class E Note, Class I Preference Share or Class II Preference Share, the purchaser’s or the subsequent transferee’s fiduciary has determined that such purchaser or subsequent transferee is receiving no less, and paying no more, than “adequate consideration” (within the meaning of Section 408(b)(17)(B) of ERISA and Section 4975(f)(10) of the Code) and (ii) the purchase, holding and disposition of Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares by such purchaser or subsequent transferee will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or (b) if such purchaser or subsequent transferee is a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan that is subject to any Substantially Similar Law, the purchase, holding and disposition of Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares by such purchaser or subsequent transferee will not constitute or result in a non-exempt violation of any such Substantially Similar Law. Any purported transfer of the Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares, or any interest therein, to a purchaser or subsequent transferee that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph will be of no force and effect, shall be null and void *ab initio* and the Issuer will have the right to direct the purchaser to transfer the Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares, or any interest therein, as applicable, to a person who meets the foregoing criteria.

There can be no assurance that, despite the transfer restrictions relating to purchases by Benefit Plan Investors and Controlling Persons and the procedures to be employed by the Issuer to attempt to limit ownership by Benefit Plan Investors of the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares, Benefit Plan Investors will not in actuality own 25% or more of the outstanding Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares.

If for any reason the assets of the Issuer are deemed to be “plan assets” of a Plan subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code because one or more Plans is an owner of Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares (or of a Senior Note characterized as an “equity interest” in the Issuer), certain transactions that the Servicer might enter into, or may have entered into, on behalf of the Issuer in the ordinary course of its business might constitute non-exempt “prohibited transactions” under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code and might have to be rescinded at significant cost to the Issuer. The Servicer could be deemed to be an ERISA fiduciary and may be prevented from engaging in certain investments (as not being deemed consistent with the ERISA prudent investment standards) or engaging in certain transactions or fee arrangements because they might be deemed to cause non-exempt prohibited transactions. It also is not clear that Section 403(a) of ERISA, which limits delegation of investment management responsibilities by fiduciaries of ERISA Plans, would be satisfied.

Any Plan fiduciary or other person who proposes to use assets of any Plan to purchase any Securities should consult with its counsel regarding the applicability of the fiduciary responsibility and prohibited transaction provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code to such an investment, and to confirm that such investment will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction or any other violation of an applicable requirement of ERISA.

The sale of any Security to a Plan, or to a person using assets of any Plan to effect its purchase, is in no respect a representation by the Issuer, the Initial Purchaser or the Servicer that such an investment meets all relevant legal requirements with respect to investments by Plans generally or any particular Plan, or that such an investment is appropriate for Plans generally or any particular Plan.

## PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

The Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchaser will enter into a Securities Purchase Agreement (the “**Purchase Agreement**”) relating to the purchase and sale of the Senior Notes to be delivered on the Closing Date. The Senior Notes will be offered by the Initial Purchaser to prospective investors from time to time in individually negotiated transactions at varying prices to be determined at the time of sale. The Initial Purchaser reserves the right to withdraw, cancel or modify such offer and to reject orders in whole or in part. The Initial Purchaser is acting as sole book runner with respect to the placement of the Senior Notes. The Initial Purchaser’s responsibility is limited to a “reasonable efforts” basis in placing the Senior Notes, with no understanding, express or implied, on the part of the Initial Purchaser of a commitment by the Initial Purchaser, whether as principal or agent, to purchase or place the Senior Notes. The obligations of the Initial Purchaser under the Purchase Agreement are subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions set forth in the Purchase Agreement. Pursuant to the Purchase Agreement, each of the Co-Issuers will agree to indemnify the Initial Purchaser against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, or to contribute to payments the Initial Purchaser may be required to make in respect thereof. The Senior Notes are offered when, as and if issued by the Co-Issuers, subject to prior sale or withdrawal, cancellation or modification of the offer without notice and subject to approval of certain legal matters by counsel and certain other conditions.

The Co-Issuers have been advised by the Initial Purchaser that the Initial Purchaser proposes to sell the Senior Notes (a) in the United States in reliance upon an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act to Qualified Purchasers who are also Qualified Institutional Buyers, and (b) outside the United States to person who are not U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S) in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S and, in each case, in accordance with applicable laws.

On the Closing Date, (i) the Approved Class II Preference Shareholders are expected to purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares and all or a portion of the Class E Notes and may purchase a portion of the Class C Notes and Class D Notes and (ii) the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates is expected to purchase all or a portion of the Class I Preference Shares. No assurance can be given whether HFP or the Servicer will retain such Class C Notes, Class D Notes, Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares and/or Class II Preference Shares for any amount of time.

The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act for offer or sale as part of their distribution and may not be offered or sold within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, a U.S. Person or a U.S. resident (as determined for purposes of the Investment Company Act, a “**U.S. Resident**”) except in certain transactions exempt from, or not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act.

The Issuer proposes to sell the Certificated Notes and the Preference Shares in reliance on Rule 144A or pursuant to another exemption from registration under the Securities Act, but only to Qualified Institutional Buyers purchasing for their own accounts or for the accounts of Qualified Institutional Buyers each of which purchasers or accounts is a Qualified Purchaser (or, solely in the case of certain Holders purchasing Certificated Notes on the Closing Date, institutional Accredited Investors (as defined in clause (1), (2), (3) or (7) of Rule 501(a) under Regulation D under the Securities Act which are Qualified Purchasers).

Each purchaser of a Certificated Note or a Preference Share will be required to execute and deliver an investor application form in form and substance satisfactory to the Initial Purchaser and the Issuer.

Application will be made to the Irish Financial Services Regulatory Authority, as competent authority under the Prospectus Directive for this Offering Memorandum to be approved. Application will be made for the Senior Notes to be admitted to the Official List of the Irish Stock Exchange and to trading on its regulated market. There can be no assurance that such listing will be approved or maintained.

The Co-Issuers have agreed to indemnify the Initial Purchaser against certain liabilities, including, but not limited to, liabilities under the Securities Act, or to contribute to payments they may be required to make in respect thereof. In addition, the Co-Issuers have agreed to reimburse the Initial Purchaser for certain of its expenses.

## **SETTLEMENT AND CLEARING**

### **Book Entry Registration of the Global Notes**

So long as the Depository, or its nominee, is the registered owner or Holder of a Global Note, the Depository or the nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the sole owner or Holder of the Senior Notes represented by a Global Note for all purposes under the Indenture, the Issuer Charter and the Global Notes, and members of, or participants in, the Depository as well as any other persons on whose behalf the participants may act (including Clearstream and Euroclear and account holders and participants therein) will have no rights under the Indenture, the Issuer Charter or a Global Note. Owners of beneficial interests in a Global Note will not be considered to be owners or Holders of the related Senior Note under the Indenture or the Issuer Charter. Unless the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for a Global Note or ceases to be a “clearing agency” registered under the Exchange Act, owners of a beneficial interest in a Global Note will not be entitled to have any portion of a Global Note registered in their names, will not receive or be entitled to receive physical delivery of Senior Notes in certificated form and will not be considered to be the owners or Holders of any Senior Notes under the Indenture. In addition, no beneficial owner of an interest in a Global Note will be able to transfer that interest except in accordance with the Depository’s applicable procedures (in addition to those under the Indenture and, if applicable, those of Euroclear and Clearstream).

Investors may hold their interests in a Regulation S Global Note directly through Clearstream or Euroclear, if they are participants in Clearstream or Euroclear, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in Clearstream or Euroclear. Clearstream and Euroclear will hold interests in the Regulation S Global Notes on behalf of their participants through their respective depositories, which in turn will hold the interests in Regulation S Global Notes in customers’ securities accounts in the depositories’ names on the books of the Depository. Investors may hold their interests in a Rule 144A Global Note directly through the Depository if they are participants in the Depository, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in the Depository.

Payments of principal of, or interest or other distributions on a Global Note will be made to the Depository or its nominee, as the registered owner thereof. The Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the paying agents, the Initial Purchaser, the Servicer and their respective Affiliates will not have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests in a Global Note or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to the beneficial ownership interests.

The Co-Issuers expect that the Depository or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment of principal, interest, or other distributions in respect of a Global Note representing any Senior Notes, as the case may be, held by it or its nominee, will immediately credit participants’ accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the stated aggregate principal amount or number of a Global Note for the Senior Notes, as shown on the records of the Depository or its nominee. The Co-Issuers also expect that payments by participants to owners of beneficial interests in a Global Note held through the participants will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers registered in the names of nominees for those customers. The payments will be the responsibility of the participants.

### **Global Note Settlement Procedures**

Transfers between the participants in the Depository will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with the Depository rules and will be settled in immediately available funds. The laws of some states require that certain persons take physical delivery of securities in definitive form. Consequently, the ability to transfer beneficial interests in a Global Note to these persons may be limited. Because the Depository can only act on behalf of

participants, who in turn act on behalf of indirect participants and certain banks, the ability of a person holding a beneficial interest in a Global Note to pledge its interest to persons or entities that do not participate in the Depository system, or otherwise take actions in respect of its interest, may be affected by the lack of a physical certificate of the interest. Transfers between participants in Euroclear and Clearstream will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with their respective rules and operating procedures.

Subject to compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Securities described above and under “Transfer Restrictions,” cross-market transfers between the Depository, on the one hand, and directly or indirectly through Euroclear or Clearstream participants, on the other, will be effected in the Depository in accordance with the Depository rules on behalf of Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, by its respective depository; however, the cross-market transactions will require delivery of instructions to Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, by the counterparty in the system in accordance with its rules and procedures and within its established deadlines (Brussels time). Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, will if the transaction meets its settlement requirements, deliver instructions to its respective depository to take action to effect final settlement on its behalf by delivering or receiving interests in a Senior Note represented by a Regulation S Global Note in the Depository and making or receiving payment in accordance with normal procedures for same-day funds settlement applicable to the Depository. Clearstream participants and Euroclear participants may not deliver instructions directly to the depositories of Clearstream or Euroclear.

Because of time zone differences, cash received in Euroclear or Clearstream as a result of sales of interests in a Regulation S Global Note by or through a Euroclear or Clearstream participant to the Depository participant will be received with value on the Depository settlement date but will be available in the relevant Euroclear or Clearstream cash account only as of the business day following settlement in the Depository.

The Depository has advised the Issuer that it will take any action permitted to be taken by a Holder of Securities (including the presentation of Securities for exchange as described above) only at the direction of one or more participants in the Depository to whose account with the Depository interests in the Securities are credited and only in respect of the portion of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities as to which the participant or participants has or have given the direction.

The Depository has advised the Issuer as follows: The Depository is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a “banking organization” within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a “clearing corporation” within the meaning of the UCC and a “Clearing Agency” registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. The Depository was created to hold securities for its participants and facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of its participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates. Participants in the Depository include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations and may include certain other organizations. Indirect access to the Depository system is available to others such as banks, brokers, dealers, and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a participant, either directly or indirectly.

Although the Depository, Clearstream and Euroclear have agreed to the foregoing procedures to facilitate transfers of interests in Regulation S Global Notes among participants of the Depository, Clearstream and Euroclear, they are under no obligation to perform or continue to perform the procedures, and the procedures may be discontinued at any time. Neither the Co-Issuers nor the Trustee will have any responsibility for the performance by the Depository, Clearstream, or Euroclear or their respective participants or indirect participants of their respective obligations under the rules and procedures governing their operations.

### **TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS**

Because of the following restrictions, purchasers are advised to consult legal counsel prior to making any offer, resale, pledge or transfer of the Securities. Purchasers of Senior Notes represented by an interest in a Regulation S Global Note are advised that such interests are not transferable to U.S. Persons at any time except in accordance with the following restrictions.



Each prospective purchaser of Securities that is a U.S. Person or is purchasing the Securities in a non-Offshore Transaction (a “**U.S. Offeree**”), by accepting delivery of this Offering Memorandum, will be deemed to have represented and agreed as follows:

- (1) The U.S. Offeree acknowledges that this Offering Memorandum is personal to the U.S. Offeree and does not constitute an offer to any other person or to the public generally to subscribe for or otherwise acquire the Securities other than pursuant to transactions exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act or in Offshore Transactions in accordance with Regulation S. Distribution of this Offering Memorandum to any person other than the U.S. Offeree and those persons, if any, retained to advise the U.S. Offeree with respect thereto, and other persons that are, (a) in the case of the Senior Notes, Qualified Institutional Buyers or non-U.S. Persons or, (b) in the case of the Certificated Notes or the Preference Shares, Qualified Institutional Buyers, is unauthorized and any disclosure of any of its contents, without the prior written consent of the Co-Issuers, is prohibited.
- (2) The U.S. Offeree agrees to make no photocopies of this Offering Memorandum or any documents referred to herein and, if the U.S. Offeree does not purchase the Securities or the offering is terminated, to return this Offering Memorandum and all documents referred to herein to the Initial Purchaser at One New York Plaza, New York, New York 10004.

Under the Indenture (with respect to the Co-Issuers) and the Preference Share Documents (with respect to the Issuer), the Co-Issuers or the Issuer will agree to comply with the requirements of Rule 144A relative to the dissemination of information to prospective purchasers in the secondary market. See “Available Information.”

The Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act and, (a) in the case of the Senior Notes, may not be offered or sold in non-Offshore Transactions or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. Persons, except to Qualified Institutional Buyers in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act who are also Qualified Purchasers and, (b) in the case of the Certificated Notes or the Preference Shares, may only be offered or sold to Qualified Institutional Buyers (or, solely in the case of certain Holders purchasing Class E Notes on the Closing Date, Institutional Accredited Investors) in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act who are also Qualified Purchasers.

Any purported transfer of a Security not in accordance with this section shall be null and void and shall not be given effect for any purpose hereunder.

#### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes**

Each purchaser of a beneficial interest in Senior Notes represented by a Rule 144A Global Note will be deemed to represent and agree (on its own behalf, or if the purchaser is acquiring the Senior Notes for any account, on behalf of each such account) (and each transferee of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will be deemed to represent and agree) (and in the case of paragraph (13), each fiduciary acting on behalf of a purchaser or a transferee (both in its fiduciary and corporate capacity) will be deemed to represent and agree) as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A or Regulation S are used herein as defined therein):

- (1) (A) The purchaser is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser, (B) the purchaser is purchasing the Senior Notes for its own account or the account of another Qualified Purchaser that is also a Qualified Institutional Buyer as to which the purchaser exercises sole investment discretion, (C) the purchaser and any such account is acquiring the Senior Notes as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (D) the purchaser and any such account was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Senior Notes (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (E) to the extent the purchaser (or any account for which it is purchasing the Senior Notes) is a private investment company formed on or before April 30, 1996, the purchaser and each such account has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (F) the purchaser is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (G) the purchaser is not a pension, profit-sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants or affiliates may designate the particular investment to be made, (H) the purchaser agrees that it and each such account shall not hold such Senior Notes for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the

Senior Notes or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the distributions on the Senior Notes (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (I) the Senior Notes purchased directly or indirectly by the purchaser or any account for which it is purchasing the Senior Notes constitute an investment of no more than 40% of the purchaser's and each such account's assets (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (J) the purchaser and each such account is purchasing the Senior Notes in a principal amount of not less than the minimum denomination requirement for the purchaser and each such account, (K) the purchaser will provide notice of the transfer restrictions set forth in the Indenture (including the exhibits thereto) to any transferee of its Senior Notes and (L) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Senior Notes to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph (1) shall be null and void *ab initio*.

- (2) The purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Senior Notes, and the purchaser, and any account for which it is acting, are each able to bear the economic risk of the purchaser's or its investment.
- (3) The purchaser understands that the Senior Notes are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Senior Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein, such Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the applicable legend in respect of such Senior Notes set forth in (6) below and the restrictions set forth in the Indenture. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Co-Issuers, the Servicer or the Initial Purchaser as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Senior Notes.
- (4) The purchaser is not purchasing the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Senior Notes involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of its entire investment in the Senior Notes under certain circumstances. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Co-Issuers, the Senior Notes and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchaser.
- (5) In connection with the purchase of Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Servicer by any Affiliate of or account serviced by the Servicer): (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for the purchaser, (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates other than in the Offering Memorandum and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other person) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of the Senior Notes or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the Indenture) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator or the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates,

prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein reflect those in relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) if the purchaser is acting for the account of another investor, the purchaser represents that the investment on behalf of such account is based on a determination that the investment is suitable based on the risks referred to in this Offering Memorandum (including, without limitation, the “Risk Factors” and the “Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes”), given the investment objectives of the account for which the purchase is being made, and that the investment is consistent with any applicable legal requirements; (vii) the purchaser is purchasing the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (viii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

- (6) (i) The purchaser understands that the Senior Notes offered to Qualified Institutional Buyers in reliance on the exemption from the registration requirements under the Securities Act provided by Rule 144A (a) will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Co-Issuers determine otherwise in accordance with applicable law, (b) will be represented by one or more Rule 144A Global Notes, and (c) may not at any time be resold, pledged or transferred to U.S. Persons that are not Qualified Institutional Buyers and Qualified Purchasers. Before any interest in a Rule 144A Global Note may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a Person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note, the transferor will be required to provide the Trustee with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “SECURITIES ACT”), AND THE CO-ISSUERS HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT”). THE PURCHASER HEREOF, BY PURCHASING THIS NOTE, AGREES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CO-ISSUERS THAT THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN MAY BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, ONLY (A)(1) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT SO LONG AS THIS NOTE IS ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A OR (2) TO A NON-U.S. PERSON IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION COMPLYING WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND, IN CASE OF CLAUSE (1), TO A PURCHASER THAT (W) IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WITH EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER), (X) TO THE EXTENT THE PURCHASER (OR ANY ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS PURCHASING THE NOTES) IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS, (Y) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS, AND (Z) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE, (B) IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN U.S.\$250,000 FOR THE PURCHASER AND FOR EACH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS ACTING AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE STATES OF THE UNITED STATES. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS TRANSFEREE. EACH PURCHASER OF THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE CO-ISSUERS, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE CO-ISSUERS MAINTAIN THE RIGHT TO RESELL NOTES OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED U.S.

HOLDERS (AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE INDENTURE.

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

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE AND ANY PAYING AGENT WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR SUCCESSOR APPLICABLE FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE U.S. INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE"), OR AN APPLICABLE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR SUCCESSOR APPLICABLE FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THIS NOTE.

BY THE ACQUISITION OF A CLASS A NOTE, A CLASS B NOTE, A CLASS C NOTE OR A CLASS D NOTE, EACH PURCHASER AND SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE, AND EACH FIDUCIARY ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE (BOTH IN ITS FIDUCIARY AND CORPORATE CAPACITY), WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE REPRESENTED, WARRANTED AND AGREED, WITH RESPECT TO EACH DAY SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE HOLDS SUCH NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN, EITHER THAT (A) SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE IS NOT AN "EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN" AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(3) OF THE UNITED STATES EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA"), THAT IS SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA, A "PLAN" AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE") AND SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, AN ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE "PLAN ASSETS" PURSUANT TO 29 C.F.R. SECTION 2510.3-101, SECTION 3(42) OF ERISA OR OTHERWISE OR A GOVERNMENTAL, CHURCH, NON-U.S. OR OTHER PLAN WHICH IS SUBJECT TO ANY FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL OR OTHER LAW THAT IS SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE ("SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR LAW") OR (B) (1) IN CONNECTION WITH THE ACQUISITION, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF SUCH NOTE, SUCH PURCHASER'S OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE'S FIDUCIARY HAS DETERMINED THAT SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE IS RECEIVING NO LESS, AND PAYING NO MORE, THAN "ADEQUATE CONSIDERATION" (WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 408(b)(17)(B) OF ERISA AND SECTION 4975(f)(10) OF THE CODE) AND (2) SUCH PURCHASER'S OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE'S ACQUISITION, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF THIS NOTE WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE OR, IN THE CASE OF A GOVERNMENTAL, CHURCH, NON-U.S. OR OTHER PLAN, A VIOLATION OF ANY SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR LAW. ANY PURPORTED TRANSFER OF THIS NOTE TO A PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE THAT DOES NOT COMPLY WITH THE ABOVE REQUIREMENTS SHALL BE NULL AND VOID *AB INITIO*.

- (ii) In addition, each Regulation S Global Note representing any Senior Note will contain the following additional legend:

EACH TRANSFEREE OF THE NOTE REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL, IF REQUIRED BY THE INDENTURE, BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE INDENTURE OR WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE.



- (7) The purchaser will provide notice to each person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Senior Notes of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Indenture, including the exhibits referenced therein.
- (8) The purchaser understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein who is a U.S. Person and who is determined not to have been both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser at the time of acquisition of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein to sell such interest, or to sell such interest on behalf of such purchaser, to a person that is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A or to a person that is a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S.
- (9) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Senior Notes, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase Senior Notes from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell such Senior Note to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.
- (10) The purchaser understands that the Stated Maturity of the Senior Notes is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.
- (11) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Co-Issuers that would permit a public offering of the Senior Notes in any jurisdiction. The purchaser further acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Co-Issuers that would permit possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Senior Notes in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the offering memorandum relating to the Senior Notes shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Senior Notes in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.
- (12) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.
- (13) In the case of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes, on each day from the date on which such purchaser or transferee acquires such purchaser's or transferee's interest in such Notes through and including the date on which such purchaser or transferee disposes of such purchaser's or transferee's interest in such Notes either that (A) such purchaser or transferee is neither a Plan nor an entity whose underlying assets include "plan assets" by reason of such Plan's investment in the entity, nor a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan which is subject to any Substantially Similar Law or (B) (1) in connection with the acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class A Note, Class B Note, Class C Note or Class D Note, the purchaser's or transferee's fiduciary has determined that such purchaser or transferee is receiving no less, and paying no more, than "adequate consideration" (within the meaning of Section 408(b)(17)(B) of ERISA and Section 4975(f)(10) of the Code) and (2) such purchaser's or transferee's acquisition, holding and disposition of such Notes will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan, a violation of any Substantially Similar Law). Any purported purchase or transfer of the Senior Notes to a purchaser or transferee that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph (13) shall be null and void *ab initio*.
- (14) The purchaser understands that the Co-Issuers may receive a list of participants holding positions in its securities from one or more book-entry depositories.

- (15) The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Senior Notes or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Indenture, to which provisions the purchaser hereby agrees it is subject.
- (16) The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.
- (17) The beneficial owner will agree to treat the Senior Notes as unconditional debt of the Issuer for tax, accounting and financial reporting purposes.
- (18) To the extent required, as determined by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Trustee, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Senior Notes to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the USA PATRIOT Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Senior Note to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.
- (19) The purchaser understands that, to the extent required, as determined by the Co-Issuers, the Co-Issuers may amend the Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer only, the Preference Share Documents, without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders of the Securities that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7 if, at any time following the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers elect to rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7).
- (20) The purchaser understands that the Issuer may enter into amendments or modifications to the Servicing Agreement without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities.
- (21) The purchaser agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.
- (22) The purchaser acknowledges that the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Trustee and the Initial Purchaser. If the purchaser is acquiring any Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein as a fiduciary or agent for one or more institutional accounts, it represents that it has sole investment discretion with respect to each such account and it has full power to make the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements on behalf of such account.

#### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Regulation S Global Notes**

Each purchaser of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note will be further deemed (and each transferee of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note will be required or deemed) (and in the case of paragraph (13) above in “—Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes”, each fiduciary acting on behalf of a purchaser or a transferee (both in its fiduciary and corporate capacity)), in addition to making the representations set forth in paragraphs (3), (4), (5) and (7) through (22) above in “—Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes,” to represent and agree as follows:

The purchaser is aware that the Senior Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or any other applicable state securities law and the sale of such Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Regulation S and understands that the Senior Notes offered in reliance on Regulation S will bear the appropriate legend set forth in paragraph (6) above in “—

Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes” and will be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Notes. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchaser as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any other jurisdiction for resale of the Senior Notes. The purchaser and each beneficial owner of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein that it holds is not, and will not be, a U.S. Person as defined in Regulation S and its purchase of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located and will be in a principal amount of not less than U.S.\$250,000. The purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein, and it, and any accounts for which it is acting are each able to bear the economic risk of its investment. Before any interest in a Regulation S Global Note may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note, the transferor and the transferee will be required to provide the Trustee with written certifications as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

#### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Certificated Notes**

Each purchaser of Certificated Notes acquiring such Certificated Notes in the initial offering will be required to enter into a Subscription Agreement with the Issuer (or otherwise provides the Issuer with a certification) pursuant to which each such purchaser will be required to represent and agree (and each subsequent transferee will be required to represent and agree) (and in the case of paragraph (24), each fiduciary acting on behalf of a purchaser or a subsequent transferee (both in its fiduciary and corporate capacity) will be required to represent and agree), on its own behalf as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A are used herein as defined therein):

- (1) The purchaser is a Qualified Institutional Buyer (or, solely in the case of certain purchasers purchasing Certificated Notes on the Closing Date, an Institutional Accredited Investor) and is aware that the sale of Certificated Notes to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements provided by Section 4(2) and is acquiring the Certificated Notes for its own account (and not for the account of any family or other trust, any family member or any other person). In addition, the purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Certificated Notes, and the purchaser is able to bear the economic risk of the purchaser’s investment.
- (2) The purchaser understands that the Certificated Notes are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Certificated Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Certificated Notes, such Certificated Notes may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the legend in respect of such Certificated Notes set forth in (7) below and the restrictions set forth in the Indenture. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Issuer, the Servicer or the Initial Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Certificated Notes.
- (3) The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Certificated Notes or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Indenture, to which provisions the purchaser agrees it is subject.
- (4) The purchaser is not purchasing the Certificated Notes with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that the Certificated Notes will be highly illiquid and are not suitable for short-term trading. The Certificated Notes are a leveraged investment in the Collateral Obligations that may expose the Certificated Notes to disproportionately large changes in value. Payments in respect of the Certificated Notes are not guaranteed as they are dependent on the performance of the Issuer’s portfolio of Collateral Obligations. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Certificated Notes involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of all or a substantial part of its investment. The purchaser has had access to such

financial and other information concerning the Issuer, the Certificated Notes and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Certificated Notes, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Issuer and the Initial Purchaser.

- (5) In connection with the purchase of Certificated Notes (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Servicer by any Affiliate of or account serviced by the Servicer): (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for the purchaser; (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates other than in the Offering Memorandum and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other Person or documentation for the Certificated Notes) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of the Certificated Notes or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the documentation for the Certificated Notes) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Certificated Notes reflect those in relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) the purchaser is purchasing the Certificated Notes with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (vii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.
- (6) (A) The purchaser is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer (or, solely in the case of certain purchasers purchasing Certificated Notes on the Closing Date, an Institutional Accredited Investor) and (b) a Qualified Purchaser, (B) the purchaser is acquiring the Certificated Notes as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (C) the purchaser was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Certificated Notes (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser is a Qualified Purchaser), (D) to the extent the purchaser is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, the purchaser has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (E) the purchaser is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (F) the purchaser is not a pension, profit-sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants or affiliates may designate the particular investment to be made, (G) the purchaser agrees that it shall not hold such Certificated Notes for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Certificated Notes or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or other distributions on the Certificated Notes (except when each such other Person is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (b) a Qualified Purchaser) and (H) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Certificated Notes to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph shall be null and void *ab initio*.
- (7) The purchaser understands that the Certificated Notes (A) will be represented by either one or more certificates which will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Issuer determines otherwise in accordance with applicable law, and (B) may only be resold, pledged or transferred to Persons who are both (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers and (ii) Qualified Purchasers. The purchaser understands that before the Certificated Notes may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise



transferred, the transferee will be required to provide the Trustee and the Issuer with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE "INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT"). THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER ("QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER") WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT (OR, SOLELY IN THE CASE OF CERTAIN PURCHASERS PURCHASING THE NOTES ON THE CLOSING DATE, AN INSTITUTIONAL INVESTOR AS DEFINED IN CLAUSES (1), (2), (3) OR (7) OF RULE 501(a) UNDER REGULATION D OF THE SECURITIES ACT) PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT (IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE NOTES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A) WHO IS ALSO A QUALIFIED PURCHASER ("QUALIFIED PURCHASER") WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER) AND THAT (1) HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (2) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS AND (3) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE, (B) IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN U.S.\$250,000 FOR THE PURCHASER AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY BE PURCHASED BY OR TRANSFERRED TO A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR CONTROLLING PERSON (EACH AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE) ONLY UPON THE SATISFACTION OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID *AB INITIO*, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL ANY NOTES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS OR NON-PERMITTED BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS (AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE INDENTURE.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER AND ANY PAYING AGENT, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE SERVICER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY.

EACH PURCHASER AND EACH SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEE (AND EACH FIDUCIARY ACTING ON BEHALF OF SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEE (BOTH IN ITS FIDUCIARY AND CORPORATE CAPACITY) OF THIS CERTIFICATED NOTE WILL BE REQUIRED TO REPRESENT, WITH RESPECT TO EACH DAY SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEE HOLDS SUCH CERTIFICATED NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN, (1) WHETHER OR NOT SUCH

PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE IS (A) AN "EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN" (AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(3) OF TITLE I OF THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA")) SUBJECT TO THE FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITY PROVISIONS OF ERISA, A "PLAN" AS DEFINED IN SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE") THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, ANY ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE "PLAN ASSETS" BY REASON OF SUCH EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN'S OR PLAN'S INVESTMENT IN THE ENTITY OR A "BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR" AS SUCH TERM IS OTHERWISE MODIFIED FROM TIME TO TIME (COLLECTIVELY, "BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS") OR (B) A PERSON (OTHER THAN A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR) WHO HAS DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY OR CONTROL WITH RESPECT TO THE ASSETS OF THE ISSUER OR ANY PERSON WHO PROVIDES INVESTMENT ADVICE FOR A FEE (DIRECT OR INDIRECT) WITH RESPECT TO SUCH ASSETS, OR ANY AFFILIATE OF SUCH A PERSON AND (2) (A) (I) IF SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE IS A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR, (1) IN CONNECTION WITH THE ACQUISITION, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF SUCH CERTIFICATED NOTE, THE PURCHASER'S OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE'S FIDUCIARY HAS DETERMINED THAT SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE IS RECEIVING NO LESS, AND PAYING NO MORE, THAN "ADEQUATE CONSIDERATION" (WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 408(b)(17)(B) OF ERISA AND SECTION 4975(f)(10) OF THE CODE) AND (II) SUCH PURCHASER'S OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE'S ACQUISITION, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF CERTIFICATED NOTES WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE OR (B) IF SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE IS A GOVERNMENTAL, CHURCH, NON-U.S. OR OTHER PLAN WHICH IS SUBJECT TO ANY FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL OR OTHER LAW THAT IS SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE PROVISIONS OF TITLE I OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, SUCH PURCHASER'S OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE'S ACQUISITION, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF CERTIFICATED NOTES WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT VIOLATION OF ANY SUCH SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR LAW AND (3) SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE WILL NOT SELL OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER ANY SUCH CERTIFICATED NOTES OR INTERESTS THEREIN TO ANY PERSON WHO IS UNABLE TO SATISFY THE SAME FOREGOING REPRESENTATION AND WARRANTIES. NO TRANSFER OF ANY INTEREST IN THIS CERTIFICATED NOTE WILL BE EFFECTIVE, AND THE TRUSTEE WILL NOT RECOGNIZE ANY SUCH TRANSFER IF IT WOULD RESULT IN 25% OR MORE OF THE VALUE OF THE CERTIFICATED NOTES BEING HELD BY BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS. EACH PURCHASER AND EACH SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE OF THIS CERTIFICATED NOTE WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. ANY PURPORTED TRANSFER OF A BENEFICIAL INTEREST IN A CERTIFICATED NOTE IN VIOLATION OF THE REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN THIS PARAGRAPH WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, SHALL BE NULL AND VOID *AB INITIO* AND THE ISSUER WILL HAVE THE RIGHT TO DIRECT THE PURCHASER OR THE SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE TO TRANSFER THE CERTIFICATED NOTE, OR ANY INTEREST THEREIN, AS APPLICABLE, TO A PERSON WHO MEETS THE FOREGOING CRITERIA.

EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE INDENTURE.

- (8) The purchaser will provide notice to each Person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Certificated Notes of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Indenture, including the exhibits referenced in the Indenture.
- (9) The purchaser understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Certificated Notes who is determined not to have been (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer (with the exception of a purchaser purchasing Certificated Notes on the Closing Date that is an Institutional Accredited Investor) and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, at the time of acquisition of the Certificated Notes to sell such Certificated Notes, or to sell such Certificated Notes on behalf of such purchaser, to a Person that is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act.
- (10) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Certificated Notes. The purchaser further acknowledges that no action was

taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Securities in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the offering memorandum relating to the Certificated Notes shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Certificated Notes in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

- (11) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Certificated Notes, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase Certificated Notes from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell such Certificated Notes to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.
- (12) The purchaser understands that the Stated Maturity of the Certificated Notes is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.
- (13) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Certificated Notes by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.
- (14) The purchaser understands and agrees that (i) no purchase or transfer may be made that would result in any person or entity holding beneficial ownership in any Certificated Notes in less than an authorized number as set forth in the Indenture and (ii) no purchase or transfer of the Certificated Notes that would have the effect of requiring either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral to register as an investment company as defined under the Investment Company Act will be permitted.
- (15) The beneficial owner will agree to treat, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, (a) the Preference Shares as equity of the Issuer, (b) the Notes as indebtedness of the Issuer and (c) the Issuer as a corporation. The beneficial owner will be deemed to have acknowledged that the Issuer is not authorized to engage in activities that could cause it to constitute a finance or lending business for U.S. federal income tax purposes and agrees that it will report its investment in the Notes consistent with such limitation.
- (16) Each purchaser and each subsequent transferee of Certificated Notes that (i) is not a "United States person" (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) and (ii) is acquiring, directly or in conjunction with affiliates, more than 33 1/3% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Certificated Notes will make a representation to the effect that it is not an Affected Bank.
- (17) To the extent required, as determined by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Trustee and the Indenture Registrar, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Certificated Notes to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the USA PATRIOT Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Certificated Note to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.
- (18) The purchaser agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.
- (19) The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.
- (20) The beneficial owner will agree to treat the Certificated Notes as unconditional debt of the Issuer for tax, accounting and financial reporting purposes.
- (21) The purchaser understands that, prior to any sale or other transfer of any interest in Certificated Notes, it (or the transferee, as applicable) will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Trustee a duly executed

transfer certificate substantially in the form provided in the Indenture and such other certificates and other information as they may reasonably require to confirm that the proposed transfer complies with the restrictions in the legend placed on each certificate representing the Certificated Notes and in the Indenture.

- (22) The purchaser understands that, to the extent required, as determined by the Co-Issuers, the Co-Issuers may amend the Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer only, the Preference Share Documents, without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders of the Securities that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7 if, at any time following the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers elect to rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7).
- (23) The purchaser understands that the Issuer may enter into amendments or modifications to the Servicing Agreement without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities.
- (24) (a) The purchaser or the subsequent transferee is (or is not, as applicable) a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person. No Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person will be permitted to purchase Certificated Notes, unless such purchaser’s or subsequent transferee’s acquisition, holding and disposition of such Certificated Notes, (x) will not cause participation by Benefit Plan Investors to be “significant” within the meaning of the Plan Asset Regulation and (y) (1) in connection with the acquisition, holding and disposition of such Certificated Note, the purchaser’s or subsequent transferee’s fiduciary has determined that such purchaser or subsequent transferee is receiving no less, and paying no more, than “adequate consideration” (within the meaning of Section 408(b)(17)(B) of ERISA and Section 4975(f)(10) of the Code) and (2) such purchaser’s or subsequent transferee’s acquisition, holding and disposition of such Certificated Notes will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code. If the purchaser or the subsequent transferee is a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan that is subject to any Substantially Similar Law, such purchaser or subsequent transferee shall represent and warrant that such purchaser’s or subsequent transferee’s acquisition, holding and disposition of a Certificated Note will not constitute or result in a non-exempt violation of any such Substantially Similar Law.
  - (b) In determining whether participation by Benefit Plan Investors is “significant”, Certificated Notes beneficially held by (1) the Servicer, the Trustee, any of their respective Affiliates, employees of the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates and any charitable foundation of any such employees or (2) persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons, will be disregarded and will not be treated as Outstanding for purposes of whether participation by Benefit Plan Investors is “significant” to the extent that persons listed in (1) or (2) are not Benefit Plan Investors.
  - (c) The purchaser or the subsequent transferee acknowledges that a transfer of the Certificated Notes will not be permitted, and no such transfer or exchange will be registered under the Indenture, to the extent that the transfer or exchange would result in Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Certificated Notes immediately after such transfer or exchange (determined in accordance with the Plan Asset Regulation and the Indenture).
- (25) If any Person that is the beneficial owner of an interest in a Certificated Note becomes a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder, the Issuer shall, promptly after discovery that such person is a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee (and notice by the Trustee or the Co-Issuer to the Issuer, if either of them makes the discovery), send notice to such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder demanding that such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder transfer its interest to a person that is not a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder within 14 days of the date of such notice. If such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder fails to so transfer its Certificated Notes, the Issuer shall have the right, without further notice to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder, to sell (and shall sell if directed to do so by the Servicer) such Certificated Notes or interest in such Certificated Notes, to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is not a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder on such terms as the Issuer may choose. The Issuer, or the Trustee acting



on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting one or more bids from one or more brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Certificated Notes and selling such Certificated Notes to the highest such bidder. However, the Issuer or the Trustee may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Certificated Note, the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder, by its acceptance of an interest in the Certificated Notes, agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Trustee to effect such transfers. The proceeds of such sale, net of any commissions, expenses and taxes due in connection with such sale shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder. The terms and conditions of any sale under this subsection shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer, and none of the Issuer, the Servicer or the Trustee shall be liable to any Person having an interest in the Certificated Notes sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of such discretion (including for the price of such sale).

- (26) The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Certificated Notes are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee and the Initial Purchaser.

#### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Preference Shares**

Each initial purchaser of Preference Shares acquiring such Preference Shares from the Issuer in the initial offering will be required to enter into a Subscription Agreement with the Issuer pursuant to which each such initial purchaser will be required to represent and agree (and each subsequent transferee will be required to represent and agree) (and in the case of paragraph (23), each fiduciary acting on behalf of a purchaser or a subsequent transferee (both in its fiduciary and corporate capacity) will be required to represent and agree), on its own behalf as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A are used herein as defined therein):

- (1) The purchaser is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is aware that the sale of Preference Shares to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements provided by Section 4(2) and is acquiring the Preference Shares for its own account (and not for the account of any family or other trust, any family member or any other person). In addition, the purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Preference Shares, and the purchaser is able to bear the economic risk of its investment.
- (2) The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Preference Shares have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Preference Shares, such Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the legend in respect of such Preference Shares set forth in (7) below and the restrictions set forth in the Preference Share Documents. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Issuer, the Servicer or the Initial Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Preference Shares.
- (3) The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Preference Shares or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Preference Share Documents, to which provisions the purchaser agrees it is subject.
- (4) The purchaser is not purchasing the Preference Shares with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares will be highly illiquid and are not suitable for short-term trading. The Preference Shares are a leveraged investment in the Collateral Obligations that may expose the Preference Shares to disproportionately large changes in value. Payments in respect of the Preference Shares are not guaranteed as they are dependent on the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations.

The purchaser understands that it is possible that, due to the structure of the transaction and the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations, dividends or other distributions in respect of the Preference Shares may be reduced or eliminated entirely. Furthermore, the Preference Shares constitute equity in the Issuer, are not secured by the Collateral and will rank behind all creditors (secured and unsecured and whether known or unknown) of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the Holders of the Notes, and any Hedge Counterparties. The Issuer has assets limited to the Collateral for payment of all Classes of the Notes and dividends and other distributions on the Preference Shares, and the Preference Shares bear, *pro rata*, the first risk of loss. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Preference Shares involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of all or a substantial part of its investment. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Issuer, the Preference Shares and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Preference Shares, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Issuer and the Initial Purchaser.

- (5) In connection with the purchase of Preference Shares (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Servicer by any Affiliate of or account serviced by the Servicer): (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for the purchaser; (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates other than in the Offering Memorandum for such Preference Shares and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other Person or documentation for the Preference Shares) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of the Preference Shares or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the documentation for the Preference Shares) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Preference Shares reflect those in the relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) the purchaser is purchasing the Preference Shares with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (vii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.
- (6) (A) The purchaser is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (b) a Qualified Purchaser, (B) the purchaser is acquiring the Preference Shares as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (C) the purchaser was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Preference Shares (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser is a Qualified Purchaser), (D) to the extent the purchaser is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, the purchaser has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (E) the purchaser is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (F) the purchaser is not a pension, profit-sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants or affiliates may designate the particular investment to be made, (G) the purchaser agrees that it shall not hold such Preference Shares for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Preference Shares or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or other distributions on the Preference Shares (except when each such other Person is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (b) a Qualified Purchaser)

and (H) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Preference Shares to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph shall be null and void *ab initio*.

- (7) The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares (A) will be represented by one or more Preference Share certificates which will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Issuer determines otherwise in accordance with applicable law, and (B) may only be resold, pledged or transferred to Qualified Institutional Buyers who are also Qualified Purchasers. The purchaser understands that before the Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred, the transferee will be required to provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Issuer with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE "INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT"). THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER ("QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER") WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT (IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE PREFERENCE SHARES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A) WHO IS ALSO A QUALIFIED PURCHASER ("QUALIFIED PURCHASER") WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER) AND THAT (1) HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (2) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS AND (3) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE, (B) IN EACH CASE, IN A NUMBER OF NOT LESS THAN 100 PREFERENCE SHARES FOR THE PURCHASER AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY BE PURCHASED BY OR TRANSFERRED TO A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR CONTROLLING PERSON (EACH AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) ONLY UPON THE SATISFACTION OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID *AB INITIO*, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL ANY PREFERENCE SHARES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS OR NON-PERMITTED BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS (AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER AND ANY PAYING AGENT, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE SERVICER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE

CODE) MAY RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY.

EACH PURCHASER AND EACH SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE (AND EACH FIDUCIARY ACTING ON BEHALF OF SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE (BOTH IN ITS FIDUCIARY AND CORPORATE CAPACITY) OF THE CLASS I PREFERENCE SHARES OR CLASS II PREFERENCE SHARES WILL BE REQUIRED TO REPRESENT, WITH RESPECT TO EACH DAY SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE HOLDS SUCH CLASS I PREFERENCE SHARES OR CLASS II PREFERENCE SHARES OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN, (1) WHETHER OR NOT SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE IS (A) AN "EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN" (AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(3) OF TITLE I OF THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA")) SUBJECT TO THE FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITY PROVISIONS OF ERISA, A "PLAN" AS DEFINED IN SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE") THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, ANY ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE "PLAN ASSETS" BY REASON OF SUCH EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN'S OR PLAN'S INVESTMENT IN THE ENTITY OR A "BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR" AS SUCH TERM IS OTHERWISE MODIFIED FROM TIME TO TIME (COLLECTIVELY, "BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS") OR (B) A PERSON (OTHER THAN A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR) WHO HAS DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY OR CONTROL WITH RESPECT TO THE ASSETS OF THE ISSUER OR ANY PERSON WHO PROVIDES INVESTMENT ADVICE FOR A FEE (DIRECT OR INDIRECT) WITH RESPECT TO SUCH ASSETS, OR ANY AFFILIATE OF SUCH A PERSON AND (2) (A) IF SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE IS A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR, (I) IN CONNECTION WITH THE ACQUISITION, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF SUCH CLASS I PREFERENCE SHARES OR CLASS II PREFERENCE SHARES, THE PURCHASER'S OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE'S FIDUCIARY HAS DETERMINED THAT SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE IS RECEIVING NO LESS, AND PAYING NO MORE, THAN "ADEQUATE CONSIDERATION" (WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 408(b)(17)(B) OF ERISA AND SECTION 4975(f)(10) OF THE CODE) AND (II) SUCH PURCHASER'S OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE'S ACQUISITION, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF CLASS I PREFERENCE SHARES OR CLASS II PREFERENCE SHARES WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE OR (B) IF SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE IS A GOVERNMENTAL, CHURCH, NON-U.S. OR OTHER PLAN WHICH IS SUBJECT TO ANY FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL OR OTHER LAW THAT IS SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE PROVISIONS OF TITLE I OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, SUCH PURCHASER'S OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE'S ACQUISITION, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF CLASS I PREFERENCE SHARES OR CLASS II PREFERENCE SHARES WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT VIOLATION OF ANY SUCH SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR LAW AND (3) SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE WILL NOT SELL OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER ANY SUCH CLASS I PREFERENCE SHARES OR CLASS II PREFERENCE SHARES OR INTERESTS THEREIN TO ANY PERSON WHO IS UNABLE TO SATISFY THE SAME FOREGOING REPRESENTATION AND WARRANTIES. NO TRANSFER OF ANY INTEREST IN THE CLASS I PREFERENCE SHARES OR CLASS II PREFERENCE SHARES WILL BE EFFECTIVE, AND THE TRUSTEE WILL NOT RECOGNIZE ANY SUCH TRANSFER IF IT WOULD RESULT IN 25% OR MORE OF THE VALUE OF THE CLASS I PREFERENCE SHARES OR THE CLASS II PREFERENCE SHARES BEING HELD BY BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS. EACH PURCHASER AND EACH SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE OF THE CLASS I PREFERENCE SHARES OR CLASS II PREFERENCE SHARES WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. ANY PURPORTED TRANSFER OF A BENEFICIAL INTEREST IN CLASS I PREFERENCE SHARES OR A CLASS II PREFERENCE SHARES IN VIOLATION OF THE REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN THIS PARAGRAPH WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, SHALL BE NULL AND VOID *AB INITIO* AND THE ISSUER WILL HAVE THE RIGHT TO DIRECT THE PURCHASER OR THE SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE TO TRANSFER THE CLASS I PREFERENCE SHARES OR THE CLASS II PREFERENCE SHARES, OR ANY INTEREST THEREIN, AS APPLICABLE, TO A PERSON WHO MEETS THE FOREGOING CRITERIA.

EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.



- (8) The purchaser will provide notice to each Person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Preference Shares of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Preference Share Documents, including the exhibits referenced in the Preference Share Documents.
- (9) The purchaser understands that the Preference Share Documents permit the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Preference Shares who is determined not to have been (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, at the time of acquisition of the Preference Shares to sell such Preference Shares, or to sell such Preference Shares on behalf of such purchaser, to a Person that is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act.
- (10) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Preference Shares. The purchaser further acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Securities in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the offering memorandum relating to the Preference Shares shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Preference Shares in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.
- (11) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Preference Shares, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase Preference Shares from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell such Preference Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.
- (12) The purchaser understands that the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.
- (13) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Preference Shares by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.
- (14) The beneficial owner will agree to treat, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, (a) the Preference Shares as equity of the Issuer, (b) the Notes as indebtedness of the Issuer and (c) the Issuer as a corporation. The beneficial owner will be deemed to have acknowledged that the Issuer is not authorized to engage in activities that could cause it to constitute a finance or lending business for U.S. federal income tax purposes and agrees that it will report its investment in Preference Shares consistent with such limitation.
- (15) Each purchaser and each subsequent transferee of Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares that (i) is not a "United States person" (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) and (ii) is acquiring, directly or in conjunction with affiliates, more than 33 1/3% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares will make a representation to the effect that it is not an Affected Bank.
- (16) To the extent required, as determined by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Preference Shares to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the "**USA PATRIOT Act**") and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Preference Share to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.
- (17) The purchaser agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

- (18) The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.
- (19) The purchaser understands that, prior to any sale or other transfer of any interest in Preference Shares, it (or the transferee, as applicable) will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent a duly executed transfer certificate substantially in the form provided in the Preference Share Documents and such other certificates and other information as they may reasonably require to confirm that the proposed transfer complies with the restrictions in the legend placed on each certificate representing the Preference Shares and in the Preference Share Documents.
- (20) The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer has the right pursuant to Section 6 of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement to issue additional Preference Shares.
- (21) The purchaser understands that, to the extent required, as determined by the Co-Issuers, the Co-Issuers may amend the Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer only, the Preference Share Documents without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders of the Securities that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7 if, at any time following the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers elect to rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7).
- (22) The purchaser understands that the Issuer may enter into amendments or modifications to the Servicing Agreement without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities.
- (23) (a) The purchaser or the subsequent transferee is (or is not, as applicable) a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person. No Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person will be permitted to purchase Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares, unless such purchaser’s or subsequent transferee’s acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares, (x) will not cause participation by Benefit Plan Investors to be “significant” within the meaning of the Plan Asset Regulation and (y) (1) in connection with the acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares, the purchaser’s or subsequent transferee’s fiduciary has determined that such purchaser or subsequent transferee is receiving no less, and paying no more, than “adequate consideration” (within the meaning of Section 408(b)(17)(B) of ERISA and Section 4975(f)(10) of the Code) and (2) such purchaser’s or subsequent transferee’s acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code. If the purchaser or the subsequent transferee is a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan that is subject to any Substantially Similar Law, such purchaser or subsequent transferee shall represent and warrant that such purchaser’s or subsequent transferee’s acquisition, holding and disposition of a Class I Preference Share or a Class II Preference Share will not constitute or result in a non-exempt violation of any such Substantially Similar Law.  
  
(b) In determining whether participation by Benefit Plan Investors is “significant”, Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares beneficially held by (1) the Servicer, the Trustee, any of their respective Affiliates, employees of the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates and any charitable foundation of any such employees or (2) persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons, will be disregarded and will not be treated as Outstanding for purposes of whether participation by Benefit Plan Investors is “significant” to the extent that persons listed in (1) or (2) are not Benefit Plan Investors.  
  
(c) The purchaser or the subsequent transferee acknowledges that a transfer of the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares will not be permitted, and no such transfer or exchange will be registered under the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement, to the extent that the transfer or exchange would result in Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such transfer or exchange (determined in accordance with the Plan Asset Regulation and the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement).

- (24) If any Person that is the beneficial owner of an interest in a Class I Preference Share or a Class II Preference Share becomes a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder, the Issuer shall, promptly after discovery that such person is a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee (and notice by the Trustee or the Co-Issuer to the Issuer, if either of them makes the discovery), send notice to such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder demanding that such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder transfer its interest to a person that is not a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder within 14 days of the date of such notice. If such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder fails to so transfer its Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares, the Issuer shall have the right, without further notice to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder, to sell (and shall sell if directed to do so by the Servicer) such Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares or interest in such Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares, to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is not a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder on such terms as the Issuer may choose. The Issuer, or the Trustee acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting one or more bids from one or more brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares and selling such Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares to the highest such bidder. However, the Issuer or the Trustee may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Class I Preference Share or Class II Preference Share, the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder, by its acceptance of an interest in the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares, agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Trustee to effect such transfers. The proceeds of such sale, net of any commissions, expenses and taxes due in connection with such sale shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder. The terms and conditions of any sale under this subsection shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer, and none of the Issuer, the Servicer or the Trustee shall be liable to any Person having an interest in the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of such discretion (including for the price of such sale).
- (25) The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Preference Shares are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee and the Initial Purchaser.

#### **LISTING AND GENERAL INFORMATION**

- (i) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer accept responsibility for the information contained in this document. To the best knowledge and belief of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, the information contained in this document is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.
- (ii) Application will be made for the Senior Notes to be admitted to the Official List of the ISE and trading on its regulated market. However, there can be no assurance that any admission will be granted or maintained. Prior to the listing, a legal notice relating to the issue of the Senior Notes and copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer will be deposited with Custom House Administration & Corporate Services Ltd. and at the principal office of the Issuer, where copies thereof may be obtained, free of charge, upon request. The Co-Issuers have been advised by Dillon Eustace that the estimated upfront fees and expenses of the ISE for obtaining such listing will be approximately €5,440 and the estimated ongoing expenses for maintaining such listing will be approximately €1,500 *per annum*.
- (iii) Dillon Eustace is acting solely in its capacity as listing agent for the Issuer in connection with the Notes and is not itself seeking admission of the Notes to the Official List or to trading on the ISE for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive.
- (iv) As long as any of the Senior Notes are Outstanding and listed on the ISE, copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer, the Administration Agreement, the Resolutions, the resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer authorizing the issuance of the Senior Notes, the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and any Hedge

Agreement will be available for inspection at the office of the Issuer and the Irish Paying Agent in the City of Dublin, where copies thereof may be obtained upon request in printed form.

- (v) Copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer, the Administration Agreement, the Resolutions, the resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer authorizing the issuance of the Senior Notes, the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and any Hedge Agreement, the Monthly Report prepared by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer containing information relating to the Collateral and the Valuation Report by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer containing information relating to the Collateral and the Notes will be available for inspection so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding at the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee or may be made available on the Trustee's password protected website initially located at <http://www.cdocalc.com/ibt/cdo/> and providing access thereto to the Holders of the Notes and the Preference Shares.
- (vi) Each of the Co-Issuers represents that as of the date of this Offering Memorandum, there has been no material adverse change in its financial position since its date of incorporation. Since its date of incorporation, neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has commenced operations, other than the Issuer purchasing certain Collateral Obligations and selling participation interests therein pursuant to a master participation agreement preparatory to the offering of the Securities, and no annual reports or accounts have been prepared as of the date of this Offering Memorandum.
- (vii) The Co-Issuers are not involved in any litigation, arbitration or governmental proceedings (including any such proceedings which are pending or threatened of which the Co-Issuers are aware) which may have or have had within the last twelve (12) months a significant effect on the financial position of the Co-Issuers.
- (viii) The issuance of the Securities was authorized and approved by the Board of Directors of the Issuer by the Resolutions. The issuance of the Senior Notes was authorized and approved by the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer by resolutions passed on or before the Closing Date.
- (ix) Since the date of their incorporation and as of the date of this document, no financial statements of the Co-Issuers have been prepared. The Issuer is not required by Cayman Islands law to publish financial statements, and does not intend to publish any financial statements. The Issuer is required to provide written confirmation to the Trustee, on an annual basis, that no Event of Default or other matter that is required to be brought to the Trustee's attention has occurred.

## LEGAL MATTERS

Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchaser by Dechert LLP, Charlotte, North Carolina. Certain matters with respect to Cayman Islands corporate law and tax law will be passed upon for the Issuer by Walkers, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Servicer by Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, Los Angeles, California. Certain legal matters relating to Delaware law will be passed upon by Pepper Hamilton LLP, Wilmington, Delaware.

## GLOSSARY OF DEFINED TERMS

**"A/B Exchange"** means an exchange of one security (the **"A Security"**) for another security (the **"B Security"**) of the same issuer or issuers, which security shall have the same seniority, maturity and interest rate as the A Security except that one or more transfer restrictions applicable to the A Security are inapplicable to the B Security.

**"Accrued Interest On Sale"** means interest accrued on a Collateral Obligation at the time of sale or other disposition to the extent paid to the Issuer as part of the sale or other disposition price of the Collateral Obligation after deduction of any amount representing Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal"** means (i) interest accrued on or purchased with a Collateral Obligation as part of the price paid by the Issuer to acquire the Collateral Obligation less any amount of Interest Proceeds (applied as Interest Proceeds) applied by the Issuer to acquire the accrued interest at the time of purchase and (ii) interest accrued on a Loan that constitutes part of the price paid by the Issuer to repay amounts owed to the Pre-Closing Parties in connection with the financing of the Issuer's pre-closing acquisition of such Loan.

“**Act**” means any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action to be given or taken by Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares under the Indenture embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments (which may be an electronic document, including, but not limited to, in the form of e-mail, to the extent permitted by applicable law) of substantially similar tenor signed by Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares in person or by agents duly appointed in writing (*provided* that no signature shall be required on electronic documents, including, but not limited to, in the form of e-mail to the extent permitted by law). Except as otherwise expressly provided in the Indenture, the action shall become effective when the instruments are delivered to the Trustee (which instrument or instruments may be delivered through the Preference Shares Paying Agent, in the case of the Holders of the Preference Shares) and, if expressly required, to the Issuer. The instruments (and the action embodied in them) are referred to as the “**Act**” of the Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares signing the instruments.

“**Administrative Expense Cap**” means, an amount on any Payment Date equal to the excess of:

- (i) the sum of 0.025% of the Maximum Amount on the related Determination Date plus \$250,000; over
- (ii) the sum of the amounts paid for Administrative Expenses in the twelve months preceding the current Payment Date.

“**Administrative Expenses**” means amounts due or accrued representing:

- (i) tax preparation, filing, and registration fees or expenses and any other filing and registration fees owed by the Co-Issuers (including all filing, registration and annual return fees payable to the Cayman Islands government and registered office fees);
- (ii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Trustee (including all amounts under Section 6.8 of the Indenture), the Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Collateral Administrator;
- (iii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Co-Issuers and of accountants, agents and counsel for either of the Co-Issuers;
- (iv) fees and expenses of the Rating Agencies in connection with any rating of the Collateral (requested by the Issuer or the Servicer) or the Notes owed by either Co-Issuer (including fees and expenses for ongoing surveillance, credit estimates and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies);
- (v) expenses and indemnities (but not Servicing Fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;
- (vi) fees, indemnities and expenses for third-party loan pricing services and accountants; and
- (vii) amounts due (other than indemnities) to any other Person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for in the Indenture, including fees or expenses in connection with any Securities Lending Agreement.

“**Affected Class**” means any Class of Notes that, as a result of the occurrence of a Tax Event, has received or will receive less than the aggregate amount of principal and interest that would otherwise have been payable to such Class on the Payment Date related to the Due Period with respect to which such Tax Event occurs.

“**Affiliate**” or “**Affiliated**” means with respect to a Person,

- (i) any other Person who, directly or indirectly, is in control of, or controlled by, or is under common control with, the Person; or
- (ii) any other Person who is a director, officer or employee (A) of the Person, (B) of any subsidiary or parent company of the Person or (C) of any Person described in clause (i) above.

For the purposes of this definition, control of a Person shall mean the power, direct or indirect:

- (A) to vote more than 50% of the securities having ordinary voting power for the election of directors of the Person; or



- (B) to direct the corporate management and corporate policies of the Person whether by contract or otherwise (this does not include the Servicing Agreement unless it is amended expressly to provide those services).

For the purpose of this definition, the Administrator and its Affiliates are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Co-Issuers and the Co-Issuers are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Administrator, or any of their Affiliates.

**“Aggregate Outstanding Amount”** means, when used with respect to any of the Notes as of any date, the aggregate principal amount of such Notes on that date. When used with respect to the Preference Shares as of any date, means the number of such Preference Shares Outstanding on such date.

Except as otherwise provided herein:

(i) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(iii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes at any time shall include all Class C Deferred Interest attributed thereto;

(iv) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes at any time shall include all Class D Deferred Interest attributed thereto; and

(v) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class E Notes at any time shall include all Class E Deferred Interest attributed thereto.

**“Aggregate Principal Balance”** means, when used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Principal Balances of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Principal Balance means the sum of the Principal Balances of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**“Aggregate Purchase Price Amount”** means, when used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Purchase Price Amount means the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**“Allocable Principal Balance”** means, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, the portion of the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security that is allocable to each Reference Obligation comprising such index or indices based upon allocating the Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security among such Reference Obligations in the same proportion as each Reference Obligation bears to the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security.

**“Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price”** means, the purchase price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Securities purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, *plus* accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the date of purchase payable to the Non-Consenting Holder (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), *plus* any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment, and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since the Closing Date (and any amounts payable, if any, to the Non-Consenting Holder on the next succeeding Payment Date) would cause such Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); *provided*,

however, that in any Amendment Buy-Out from and after the date on which the Non-Consenting Holders of Preference Shares have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12%, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price for such Preference Shares shall be zero.

**“Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser”** means the Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Securities from Holders pursuant to “Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out,” “Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser” shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser or any of their Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; *provided, however*, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

**“Applicable Note Interest Rate”** means, with respect to the Notes of any Class, the Note Interest Rate with respect to such Class.

**“Applicable Percentage”** means the lesser of the Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation and the S&P Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation and the current S&P Rating of the most senior Class of Notes then Outstanding.

**“Approved Pricing Service”** means Loan Pricing Corporation, Mark-It-Partners, Inc. or any other nationally recognized loan pricing service approved in writing by S&P.

**“Ask-Side Market Value”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any lent Collateral Obligation based upon the Servicer’s commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker dealers active in the trading of such obligations which are also Independent from the Servicer or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices could not be obtained, the higher of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker dealers active in the trading of such obligations which are also Independent from the Servicer or (iii) if the foregoing set of prices could not be obtained, the ask-side market price obtained by the Servicer from one Independent broker dealer active in the trading of such obligations which is also Independent from the Servicer or (iv) if the foregoing sets of prices could not be obtained, the average of the ask-side prices for the purchase of such Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer); *provided* that if the Ask-Side Market Value of any lent Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the outstanding principal balance thereof.

**“Assigned Moody’s Rating”** means the monitored publicly available rating or the monitored estimated rating expressly assigned to a debt obligation (or facility) by Moody’s that addresses the full amount of the principal and interest promised.

**“Authorized Officer”** means, with respect to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, any Officer or agent who is authorized to act for the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, in matters relating to, and binding on, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. With respect to the Servicer, any managing member, Officer, manager, employee, partner or agent of the Servicer who is authorized to act for the Servicer in matters relating to, and binding on, the Servicer with respect to the subject matter of the request, certificate or order in question. With respect to the Trustee or any other bank or trust company acting as trustee of an express trust or as custodian, a Trust Officer. With respect to the Preference Share Paying Agent, the persons constituting Authorized Officers of the Trustee under the Indenture. Each party may receive and accept a certification of the authority of any other party as conclusive evidence of the authority of any Person to act, and the certification may be considered as in full force and effect until receipt by the other party of written notice to the contrary.

**“Average Life”** means, as of any Measurement Date with respect to any Collateral Obligation (other than any Defaulted Collateral Obligation), the quotient obtained by *dividing*:

- (i) the sum of the products of:



- (A) the number of years (rounded to the nearest hundredth) from the Measurement Date to the respective dates of each successive scheduled payment of principal of the Collateral Obligation; and
  - (B) the respective amounts of the successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation; *by*
- (ii) the sum of all successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Bank”** means State Street Bank and Trust Company, in its individual capacity and not as Trustee.

**“Bankruptcy Code”** means the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, Title 11 of the United States Code.

**“Bankruptcy Law”** means the Bankruptcy Code, Part V of the Companies Law (as amended) of the Cayman Islands and the Bankruptcy Law (as amended) of the Cayman Islands.

**“Board of Directors”** means with respect to the Issuer, the directors of the Issuer duly appointed from time to time in accordance with the Issuer Charter and, with respect to the Co-Issuer, the directors of the Co-Issuer duly appointed by the incorporator or the stockholders, as the case may be, of the Co-Issuer; *provided, however*, that notwithstanding the foregoing, if the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding is greater than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may remove any or all (but, so long as such directors are all associated with Walkers SPV Limited, not less than all) of the directors of the Issuer and appoint other directors (who may be employees, officers or designees of the Servicer) and thereafter (so long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding is greater than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding) the power to appoint directors of the Issuer shall be exercised by a vote of the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares instead of by ordinary resolution of the holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares.

**“Business Day”** means a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in New York City, and any other city in which the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee is located and, in the case of the final payment of principal of any Note, the place of presentation of the Note designated by the Trustee; *provided, however* that, for purposes of determining LIBOR, “Business Day” must also be a day on which dealings in deposits in Dollars are transacted in the London interbank market. To the extent action is required of the Irish Listing Agent and the Irish Paying Agent, Dublin, Ireland shall be considered in determining “Business Day” for purposes of determining when actions by the Irish Paying Agent are required.

**“Cash”** means such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for payment of all public and private debts.

**“CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations”** means the Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have (i) a Moody’s Rating below “B3” and/or (ii) an S&P Rating below “B-”.

**“CCC+/Caa1 Excess Market Value Percentage”** means the percentage equivalent of a fraction, the numerator of which is the aggregate Market Value of CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations (in order of ascending Market Value Percentage, starting with the CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation with the lowest Market Value Percentage) with an aggregate Principal Balance equal to Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations and the denominator of which is an amount equal to the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations.

**“Class”** means all of the Notes having the same priority and the same Stated Maturity and all of the Preference Shares.

**“Class A/B Coverage Tests”** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes.

**“Class C Coverage Tests”** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class C Notes.

**“Class C Deferred Interest”** means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C Notes.

**“Class D Coverage Tests”** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class D Notes.

**“Class D Deferred Interest”** means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class D Notes.

**“Class E Coverage Tests”** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class E Notes.

**“Class E Deferred Interest”** means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class E Notes.

**“Clearstream”** means Clearstream Banking, *société anonyme*, a corporation organized under the laws of the Duchy of Luxembourg.

**“Collateral Administration Agreement”** means the agreement dated as of the Closing Date among the Issuer, the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**“Collateral Administrator”** means the Bank, in its capacity as collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement.

**“Commitment Amount”** means, with respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the maximum aggregate outstanding principal amount (whether then funded or unfunded) of advances or other extensions of credit that the Issuer could be required to make to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments.

**“Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares”** means, with respect to any Payment Date after the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes has been paid in full, or so long as the Class A Notes are no longer Outstanding, if the Coverage Tests are at the same level as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a Holder of Preference Shares that has consented by delivering an irrevocable written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent to a distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of payment of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds on such Payment Date, as described in “Description of the Securities—Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.”

**“Controlling Class”** means the Class A Notes, (voting together as a Class) so long as any Class A Notes are Outstanding; then the Class B Notes (voting together as a Class), so long as any Class B Notes are Outstanding; then the Class C Notes (voting together as a Class), so long as any Class C Notes are Outstanding; then the Class D Notes (voting together as a Class), so long as any Class D Notes are Outstanding; and then the Class E Notes (voting together as a Class), so long as any Class E Notes are Outstanding.

**“Corporate Trust Office”** means the corporate trust office of the Trustee at which the Trustee performs its duties under the Indenture, currently having an address of 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code: EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116, telecopy no. (617) 937-0517, Attention: CDO Services Group, or any other address the Trustee designates from time to time by notice to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Issuer and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Trustee.

**“Cov-lite Loan”** means a Loan that (i) does not contain any financial covenants or (ii) requires the borrower to comply with an Incurrence Covenant, but does not require the borrower to comply with a Maintenance Covenant.

**“Credit Improved Obligation”** is any Collateral Obligation that (a) is sold pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange or (b) in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has improved in credit quality; *provided* that, in forming such judgment, a reduction in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment; and *provided, further*, that, if a Credit Rating Event is in effect, such Collateral Obligation will be considered a Credit Improved Obligation only if in addition to the above:

- (i) the Collateral Obligation has been upgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing positive credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under the Indenture;

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced a reduction in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer;

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has increased by at least 1.00% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Servicer (*provided* that this subclause (iii)(x) will be deemed satisfied if Market Value increases to 1.01%), or (y) in the case of a bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more positive than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, plus 3.00%, over the same period; or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation set forth in clauses (i) through (iii) above, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation set forth in clauses (i) through (iii) above for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Improved Obligation if:

- (i) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Improved Obligation; or
- (ii) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Improved Obligation.

**“Credit Rating Event”** means an event that is in effect if the rating by Moody's:

- (i) of the Class A Notes or the Class B Notes has been withdrawn or is one or more rating sub-categories below its Initial Rating; or
- (ii) of the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes has been withdrawn or is two or more rating sub-categories below its respective Initial Rating.

For the purposes of this definition, any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not be effective if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody's has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Class A Notes, or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**“Credit Risk Obligation”** means any Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has significantly declined in credit quality and has a significant risk, with a lapse of time, of becoming a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; *provided* that in forming such judgment an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment.

So long as a Credit Rating Event is in effect, no Collateral Obligation shall be eligible to be a Credit Risk Obligation unless in addition to the above, as of the date of determination:

- (i) the Collateral Obligation has been downgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing negative credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under the Indenture;
- (ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced an increase in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase)

less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 4.00%, compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer;

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has decreased by at least 2.50% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Servicer, and (y) in the case of a bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more negative, or less positive, as the case may be, than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, less 3.00%, over the same period; or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation set forth in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) above, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation set forth in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) above for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Risk Obligation if:

(a) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Risk Obligation; or

(b) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Risk Obligation.

**“Current Portfolio”** means, at any time, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations, Principal Proceeds held as cash on deposit in the Collection Account, and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account that exists before the sale, maturity or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or before the acquisition of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**“Current-Pay Obligation”** means a Collateral Obligation as to which:

(i) an insolvency event has occurred with respect to its obligor or as to which its obligor is rated “D” or “SD” by S&P or its obligor has previously been rated “CCC-” by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;

(ii) no default as to the payment of principal or interest with respect to the Collateral Obligation is then continuing and the Servicer has delivered to the Trustee an Officer's certificate to the effect that the Servicer expects that the obligor will make payments of interest and principal in Cash on the Collateral Obligation as they become due and is current on such payments;

(iii) (A) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is at least “Caa1” (and not on credit watch with negative implications) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 80% of its Principal Balance or (B) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is less than “Caa1” or is “Caa1” and on credit watch with negative implications, the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 85% of its Principal Balance; *provided* that the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation must be at least equal to 80% of its Principal Balance without regard to its rating and not determined in accordance with clause (b) of the definition of Market Value;

(iv) if an insolvency event has occurred with respect to the obligor of the Collateral Obligation, a bankruptcy court has authorized all payments of principal and interest payable on the Collateral Obligation;

(v) there is a rating of at least “Caa2” by Moody's (if rated by Moody's) (provided that if such rating is “Caa2”, such rating must not be on watch for possible downgrade by Moody's); and

(vi) the Servicer has designated in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligation as a Current-Pay Obligation.

If the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations exceeds 5% of the Maximum Amount, all or a portion of one or more Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance equal to the amount of the excess shall not be Current-Pay Obligations (and will therefore be Defaulted Collateral Obligations). The Servicer shall designate in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligations that shall not be Current-Pay Obligations pursuant to the preceding sentence as the Collateral Obligations (or portions thereof) that have the lowest Market Value on any applicable date of determination.

The Servicer may, with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, by notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator, change the definition of “Current-Pay Obligation” or how Current-Pay Obligations are treated in the Indenture, subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency.

“**Deep Discount Obligation**” means, (i) until the Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation (other than a Structured Finance Obligation), as determined daily for any period of 30 consecutive days, equals or exceeds 90%, any Collateral Obligation acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 85% of its Principal Balance or any Collateral Obligation acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 85% but greater than or equal to 80% of its Principal Balance and which has a public Moody’s Rating that is equal to or better than “B3” (and not rated “B3” on watch for downgrade) or (ii) until the Market Value Percentage of a Structured Finance Obligation, as determined daily for any period of 60 consecutive days, equals or exceeds 85%, any Structured Finance Obligation acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 75% of its Principal Balance. For such purpose, the Market Value Percentage of a Collateral Obligation on a day that is not a Business Day shall be deemed to be the Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation on the immediately preceding Business Day.

“**Default Interest Rate**” means, with respect to any specified Class of Notes, the *per annum* interest rate equal to the Note Interest Rate payable on the Notes of the Class.

“**Defaulted Collateral Obligation**” means any Collateral Obligation or other obligation included in the Collateral:

(i) as to which there has occurred and is continuing a default with respect to the payment of principal or interest (including the non-payment of any PIK Cash-Pay Interest) without giving effect to any applicable grace or waiver period (*provided* that if the Servicer certifies to the Trustee in writing that such default is for non-credit related reasons, the related Collateral Obligation shall not be treated as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under this clause (i) unless and until such default has continued for a period of three (3) consecutive Business Days), unless in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;

(ii) the maturity of all or a portion of the principal amount of such Collateral Obligation has been accelerated as a consequence of a default (other than any payment default) under the instruments evidencing or relating to such Collateral Obligation; unless such default or event of default has been fully cured and is no longer continuing and such acceleration has been rescinded;

(iii) with respect to which there has been effected any distressed exchange or other debt restructuring where the obligor has offered the holders thereof a new security or instrument or package of securities or instruments that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, either (x) amounts to a diminished financial obligation or (y) has the sole purpose of enabling the obligor to avoid a default;

(iv) (1) that is *pari passu* with or subordinated to other indebtedness for borrowed money owing by its obligor (“**Other Indebtedness**”), (2) the obligor has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (without regard to any applicable grace or notice period and without regard to any waiver of the default) on the Other Indebtedness, unless, in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid on the Other Indebtedness and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation and (3) the Servicer, provided that the related Collateral Obligation has not been downgraded after the default on such Other Indebtedness has occurred, determines (in its commercially reasonable judgment) that such Other Indebtedness is material;



(v) (other than a Current-Pay Obligation or a DIP Loan) as to which:

(A) an insolvency event has occurred with respect to its obligor;

(B) the obligation is rated “D”, “SD”, “C” or “CC” by S&P or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn, or has previously been rated “CCC-” or lower by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn; or

(C) the obligor is assigned a probability of default rating of “D” by Moody’s;

(vi) if the Collateral Obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation, it is rated “CC” or below by S&P, or it was rated “CC” or below by S&P but the rating has since been withdrawn, or it is rated “Ca” or below by Moody’s, or it was rated “C” or below by Moody’s but the rating has since been withdrawn;

(vii) that is a Participation that would, if the underlying Loan were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (v) above or with respect to which the Participating Institution has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Participation;

(viii) that is a Synthetic Security referencing a Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above or with respect to which the Synthetic Security Counterparty has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Synthetic Security; *provided, however*, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time: (x) a determination whether the Reference Obligations upon which such Synthetic Security is based would, if such Reference Obligations were Collateral Obligations, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each of the Reference Obligations on which such Synthetic Security is based in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation and (y) the “Defaulted Collateral Obligation” for purposes of this clause (viii) shall be limited to the Allocable Principal Balance of each Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above;

(ix) that is a Written-Down Obligation;

(x) that is a DIP Loan as to which an order has been entered converting the debtor’s chapter 11 case to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code; or

(xi) that is declared to be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation by the Servicer.

Any Collateral Obligation that is classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall cease to be so classified if the Collateral Obligation, at any date thereafter,

(1) would not otherwise be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this definition; and

(2) otherwise meets the Eligibility Criteria as of that date.

If any portion of a Collateral Obligation has a maturity later than one year after the Stated Maturity of the Notes due to a change in the payment schedule of the Collateral Obligation occurring after its acquisition by the Issuer, that portion of the Collateral Obligation shall be considered a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**“Defaulted Hedge Termination Payment”** means any termination payment required to be made by the Issuer to a Hedge Counterparty pursuant to a Hedge Agreement upon a termination of the Hedge Agreement in respect of which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**“Defaulted Interest”** means any interest payable in respect of any Class of Notes that is not punctually paid or duly provided for on the applicable Payment Date or at Stated Maturity.

**“Defaulted Interest Charge”** means to the extent lawful, interest on any Defaulted Interest at the Default Interest Rate.

**“Defaulted Synthetic Security Termination Payments”** means any termination payment required to be made by the Issuer to a Synthetic Security Counterparty pursuant to a Synthetic Security upon the occurrence of any “event of default” or “termination event” (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security) under such Synthetic Security as to which such Synthetic Security Counterparty is the Defaulting Party or the sole Affected Party (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security).

**“Deferred Interest Notes”** means the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**“Definitive Security”** means any Note or Certificated Preference Share that is registered in the name of the beneficial owner.

**“Delayed Drawdown Loan”** means a Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that:

- (i) requires the Issuer to make one or more future advances to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments;
- (ii) specifies a maximum amount that can be borrowed on one or more fixed borrowing dates; and
- (iii) does not permit the re-borrowing of any amount previously repaid.

A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Delayed Drawdown Loan for so long as its unused commitment amount is greater than zero and for purposes of the Concentration Limitations only unfunded portions will count as Delayed Drawdown Loans.

**“Depository”** or **“DTC”** means The Depository Trust Company and its nominees.

**“DIP Loan”** means any Loan:

- (i) that has a rating assigned by Moody’s (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by Moody’s, the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by Moody’s within five Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer) and a rating assigned by S&P (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by S&P, the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P within two Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer);
- (ii) that is an obligation of a debtor in possession as described in Section 1107 of the Bankruptcy Code or a trustee (if appointment of a trustee has been ordered pursuant to Section 1104 of the Bankruptcy Code) (a **“Debtor”**) organized under the laws of the United States or any state of the United States; and
- (iii) the terms of which have been approved by a final order of the United States Bankruptcy Court, United States District Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, the enforceability of which order is not subject to any pending contested matter or proceeding (as those terms are defined in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure) and which order provides that:
  - (A) the Loan is secured by liens on the Debtor’s otherwise unencumbered assets pursuant to Section 364(c)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code;
  - (B) the Loan is secured by liens of equal or senior priority on property of the Debtor’s estate that is otherwise subject to a lien pursuant to Section 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code;
  - (C) the Loan is fully secured (based on a current valuation or appraisal report) by junior liens on the Debtor’s encumbered assets; or



- (D) if any portion of the Loan is unsecured, the repayment of the Loan retains priority over all other administrative expenses pursuant to Section 364(c)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code (and in the case of this clause (D), before the acquisition of the Loan, the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency).

**“Diversity Score”** is a single number that indicates collateral concentration in terms of both issuer and industry concentration, calculated as set forth in Schedule 4 to the Indenture.

**“Domicile”** or **“Domiciled”** means, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, either (i) the jurisdiction of incorporation, organization or creation of the related obligor or (ii) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with an obligor organized, incorporated or created in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction, the jurisdiction in which, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the related obligor conducts substantially all of its business operations and in which the assets primarily responsible for generating its revenues are located.

**“Due Period”** means, with respect to any Payment Date, for all purposes other than payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements, the period from the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date, from the Closing Date) up to but excluding the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the Payment Date (or in the case of the final Payment Date or any Payment Date that is a Redemption Date, through the Business Day before the Payment Date and for payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements the period from the day after the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date from the Closing Date) through the Payment Date).

**“Eligible Country”** means the United States, Canada and any country classified by Moody’s as a Moody’s Group I Country, Moody’s Group II Country or Moody’s Group III Country and, in each case, has an S&P foreign currency rating of at least “AA” and a Moody’s foreign currency rating of at least “Aa2”.

**“Eligible Equity Security”** mean an equity security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation by, or on behalf of, the Issuer that (i) is publicly traded on an Established Securities Market or (ii) the Market Value of which is higher than the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation with respect to which such equity security has been acquired by the Issuer (for the avoidance of doubt, the Principal Balance of any Eligible Equity Security shall be zero for purposes of determining the Overcollateralization Test).

**“Eligible Investments”** means any Dollar-denominated obligation or asset that, when it is pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee under the Indenture, is one or more of the following:

- (i) Cash;
- (ii) direct Registered obligations of, and Registered obligations the timely payment of principal and interest on which is fully and expressly guaranteed by, the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States the obligations of which are expressly backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, which in each case are not zero coupon securities;
- (iii) demand and time deposits in, trust accounts, certificates of deposit payable within 91 days of issuance of, bankers’ acceptances payable within 91 days of issuance issued by, or Federal funds sold by any depository institution or trust company incorporated under the laws of the United States or any state thereof and subject to supervision and examination by Federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or the debt obligations of such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company), at the time of such acquisition or contractual commitment providing for such acquisition and throughout the term thereof, have a credit rating of not less than “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade, or “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by S&P in the case of commercial paper and short-term debt obligations; *provided* that in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than “AA-” by S&P and “Aa3” by Moody’s and a short-term rating of “A-1+” by S&P and “P-1” by Moody’s, and if so rated, is not on watch for downgrade;
- (iv) commercial paper or other short-term obligations with a maturity which, even after giving effect to any extendibility feature thereof, does not exceed 183 days from the date of issuance and having at the time of such acquisition a credit rating of at least “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by S&P; *provided* that, in any case, the

issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than “Aa2” by Moody’s and “AA-” by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(v) unleveraged repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clause (b) above entered into with a U.S. federal or state depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (iii) above or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose long-term credit rating is not less than “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade or whose short-term credit rating is “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by S&P at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof; *provided* that, if such repurchase obligation has a maturity of longer than 91 days, the counterparty thereto must also have at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof a long-term credit rating of not less than “Aa2” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(vi) any money market funds (including any fund for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee serves as an investment adviser, administrator, shareholder servicing agent, custodian or subcustodian, notwithstanding that (A) the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses from such funds for services rendered (*provided* that such charges, fees and expenses are on terms consistent with terms negotiated at arm’s length) and (B) the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses for services rendered, pursuant to the Indenture) (i) which funds have at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof a credit rating of “Aaa” and “MR1+” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P, respectively (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or (ii) that are registered as money market funds under Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act and have a credit rating of “Aaa” from Moody’s and “AAAm” or “AAAmG” from S&P (and not on credit watch with negative implications);

(vii) a guaranteed reinvestment agreement from a bank (if treated as a deposit by such bank), insurance company or other corporation or entity organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (if treated as debt by such insurance company or other corporation or entity), providing for periodic payments thereunder during each Due Period; *provided* that each such agreement provides that it is terminable by the purchaser, without premium or penalty, in the event that the rating assigned to such agreement by either Moody’s or S&P is at any time lower than the then current ratings assigned to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes; *provided, further*, that, at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof, the issuer of such agreement has a senior unsecured long-term debt rating, issuer rating or counterparty rating of at least “Aaa” by Moody’s, a short-term debt rating of “P-1” by Moody’s (and not on watch for downgrade), a short-term debt rating of at least “A-1+” by S&P and a long-term debt rating of at least “AAA” by S&P (and not on watch for downgrade); and

(viii) such other obligations or assets for which Rating Confirmation has been received;

and, in each case, with a stated maturity (giving effect to any applicable grace period) that is the earlier of (i) 60 days from acquisition and (ii) the Business Day before the Payment Date next succeeding the date of acquisition.

Eligible Investments on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account must have a stated maturity no later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase.

Eligible Investments may not include:

- (1) any interest-only security, any security purchased at a price in excess of 100% of its par value, any mortgage-backed security or any security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer;
- (2) any security whose rating assigned by S&P includes the subscript “r”, “t”, “p”, “pi”, “q” or “f”;
- (3) any floating rate security whose interest rate is inversely or otherwise not proportionately related to an interest rate index or is calculated as other than the sum of an interest rate index plus a spread (which spread may be zero);
- (4) any security that is subject to an exchange or tender offer; or

- (5) any security that has payments subject to foreign or United States withholding tax.

Eligible Investments may include Eligible Investments for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee is the issuer or depository institution or provides services. Eligible Investments may not include obligations principally secured by real property.

**“Emerging Market Security”** means a security or obligation issued by a sovereign or non-sovereign issuer located in a country (excluding the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Netherlands Antilles, and the Channel Islands):

- (i) that is in Latin America, Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, or the Caribbean; or
- (ii) the long-term foreign currency debt obligations of which are rated below “Aa2” or “Aa2” and on credit watch with negative implications by Moody’s or the foreign currency issuer credit rating of which is below “AA” by S&P.

**“Euroclear”** means Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear system.

**“Excel Default Model Input File”** means an electronic spreadsheet file in Microsoft excel format to be provided to S&P, which file shall include the balance of Cash and Eligible Investments in each account and the following information (to the extent such information is not confidential) with respect to each Collateral Obligation or Reference Obligation in the case of a Synthetic Security:

- (a) the name and country of domicile of the issuer thereof and the particular obligation or security held by the Issuer,
- (b) the CUSIP or other applicable identification number associated with such Collateral Obligation,
- (c) the par value of such Collateral Obligation,
- (d) the type of obligation or security (including, by way of example, whether such Collateral Obligation is a bond, loan, Cov-lite Loan or asset-backed security), using such abbreviations as may be selected by the Trustee,
- (e) a description of the index or other applicable benchmark upon which the interest payable on such Collateral Obligation is based (including, by way of example, fixed rate, step-up rate, zero coupon and LIBOR),
- (f) the coupon (in the case of a Collateral Obligation which bears interest at a fixed rate) or the spread over the applicable index (in the case of a Collateral Obligation which bears interest at a floating rate),
- (g) the S&P Industry Classification for such Collateral Obligation,
- (h) the stated maturity date of such Collateral Obligation,
- (i) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation or the issuer thereof, as applicable,
- (j) the applicable S&P Recovery Rate, and
- (k) such other information as the Trustee may determine to include in such file.

**“Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations”** means the Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations in excess of 7.5% of the Maximum Amount on the relevant Determination Date.

**“Excluded Property”** means (i) U.S.\$250 (attributable to the issue and allotment of the Issuer Ordinary Shares) and a U.S.\$250 transaction fee paid to the Issuer, the bank account in which those amounts are credited in the Cayman Islands and any interest earned on those amounts; (ii) any amounts credited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account and the Preference Share Distribution Account from time to time and (iii) any Margin Stock.

**“Extension”** means an extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test in accordance with the Indenture.

**“Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification”** means, with respect to each Maturity Extension and each beneficial owner of Notes other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such beneficial owner acceptable to the Issuer to the effect that it held Notes other than Extension Sale Securities on the applicable Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof in the case of the Notes and wire transfer instructions for the Extension Bonus Payment and any required documentation thereunder.

**“Extension Bonus Payment”** means, with respect to each Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable beneficial owner set forth in “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date” in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Class A Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class B Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (3) in the case of the Class C Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (4) in the case of the Class D Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date and (5) in the case of the Class E Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

**“Extension Determination Date”** means the 8th Business Day prior to each Extension Effective Date.

**“Extension Purchase Price”** means the purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with each Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the applicable Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since the Closing Date would cause such Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12% (assuming such purchase date was a “Payment Date” under the Indenture); *provided, however*, that if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12%, the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Preference Shares shall be zero.

**“Extension Qualifying Purchasers”** means the Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Extension Sale Securities from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date;” “Extension Qualifying Purchasers” shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; *provided, however*, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

**“Face Amount”** means, with respect to any Preference Share, the amount set forth therein as the “face amount” thereof, which “face amount” shall be \$1,000 per Preference Share.

**“Finance Lease”** means a lease agreement or other agreement entered into in connection with and evidencing a Leasing Finance Transaction; *provided* that such Finance Lease shall have a rating by Moody’s.

**“Fixed Rate Excess”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose numerator is the product of:

- (i) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date over the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test; and
- (ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date;

and whose denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Fixed Rate Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Spread Excess were equal to zero.

**“Fixed Rate Obligation”** means any Collateral Obligation that bears interest at a fixed rate.

**“Floating Rate Notes”** means the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**“Floating Rate Obligation”** means any Collateral Obligation that bears interest based on a floating rate index.

**“Form-Approved Synthetic Security”** means a Synthetic Security:

(i) (A) the Reference Obligation of which satisfies the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and could be purchased by the Issuer without any required action by the Rating Agencies, without satisfaction of the Rating Condition or which the Rating Agencies have otherwise approved; or

(B) the Reference Obligation of which would satisfy clause (A) above but for the currency in which the Reference Obligation is payable and the Synthetic Security is payable in Dollars, does not provide for physical settlement, and does not expose the Issuer to Dollar currency risk;

(ii) the Synthetic Security Agreement of which conforms (but for the amount and timing of periodic payments, the name of the Reference Obligation, the notional amount, the effective date, the termination date, and other similar necessary changes) to a form that has been expressly identified and approved in writing in connection with a request under the Indenture by Moody’s and S&P;

(iii) a copy of the Synthetic Security Agreement of which has been delivered to the Holders of the Class A Notes by the Trustee at the expense of the Co-Issuers and upon being furnished with a copy of the same by the Servicer; and

(iv) that is with a counterparty with respect to which the Rating Condition has been satisfied by each of Moody’s and S&P prior to the acquisition of any such Form-Approved Synthetic Security, and such approval has not been withdrawn.

Moody’s or S&P may at any time, by notice to the Servicer, withdraw its approval of any such form. A withdrawal of approval shall have no effect on any Synthetic Security acquired, entered into, or committed to before the date on which the Servicer receives the notice of withdrawal. For the avoidance of doubt, no form of Synthetic Security Agreement approved by S&P will be in place as of the Closing Date.

**“Funded Amount”** means, with respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan at any time, the aggregate principal amount of advances or other extensions of credit made thereunder by the Issuer that are outstanding and have not been repaid at such time.

**“Hedge Agreements”** means, collectively, all interest rate cap or interest rate swap agreements between the Issuer and any Hedge Counterparty, and any replacement agreement entered into pursuant to the Indenture.

**“Hedge Counterparty”** means any counterparty, to the extent that when the Issuer enters into any Hedge Agreement with such counterparty, such counterparty satisfies the requirements of the Indenture, including the satisfaction of the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency.

**“Hedge Termination Receipt”** means any termination payment paid by the Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer upon any early termination of a Hedge Agreement with respect to which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**“HFP”** means Highland Financial Partners, L.P. (an Affiliate of the Servicer).



**“High-Yield Bond”** means any debt security, other than a Loan or a Structured Finance Obligation, that is either Registered or, if not Registered, (i) it is issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States, (ii) the payments on it are not subject to United States withholding tax and (iii) it is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**“Holder”** means, of any Note, the person whose name appears on the Indenture Register as the registered holder of the Note; and of any Preference Share, the person whose name appears in the share register of the Issuer related thereto as the registered holder of such Preference Share.

**“Incurrence Covenant”** means a covenant by the borrower to comply with one or more financial covenants only upon the occurrence of certain actions of the borrower including, but not limited to, a debt issuance, dividend payment, share purchase, merger, acquisition or divestiture.

**“Indenture Register”** means the register caused to be kept by the Issuer for the purpose of registering Notes and transfers of the Notes as provided in the Indenture.

**“Indenture Registrar”** means the Bank, in its capacity as Indenture registrar as provided in the Indenture.

**“Independent”** means, as to any person, any other person (including, in the case of an accountant or lawyer, a firm of accountants or lawyers, and any member of the firm, or an investment bank and any member of the bank) who

(i) does not have and is not committed to acquire any material direct or any material indirect financial interest in the person or in any Affiliate of the person, and

(ii) is not connected with the person as an Officer, employee, promoter, underwriter, voting trustee, partner, director, or person performing similar functions.

“Independent” when used with respect to any accountant may include an accountant who audits the books of the person if in addition to satisfying the criteria above the accountant is independent with respect to the person within the meaning of Rule 101 of the Code of Ethics of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Whenever any Independent person’s opinion or certificate is to be furnished to the Trustee, the opinion or certificate shall state that the signer has read this definition and that the signer is Independent within the meaning of this Indenture.

**“Information”** means S&P’s “Credit Estimate Information Requirements” dated June 2007 and any other information S&P reasonably requests in order to produce a credit estimate for a Collateral Obligation.

**“Initial Consent Period”** means the period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee mailed notice of a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of Securities.

**“Initial Rating”** means, the ratings by Moody’s and S&P with respect to each Class of Notes provided in the table in “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.”

**“Interest Diversion Ratio”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the ratio obtained by *dividing*: (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator by (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes (including any Deferred Interest on any Class of Notes).

**“Interest Period”** means, initially, the period from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the first Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date.

**“Interest Proceeds”** means, with respect to any Due Period, the sum (without duplication) of all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period (or as otherwise specified below) by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are:

(i) payments of interest, fees, and commissions (excluding (A) Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal, (B) interest and dividends on Workout Assets, (C) fees and commissions from Defaulted Collateral

Obligations, and (D) syndication and other up-front fees and any up-front fixed payments received in connection with entering into a Synthetic Security);

(ii) any portion of the Sale Proceeds of a Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) representing Accrued Interest On Sale;

(iii) all payments of principal on, or disposition proceeds from the sale of, Eligible Investments to the extent purchased with Interest Proceeds;

(iv) payments with respect to the Hedge Agreements received on or before the related Payment Date (other than any amount payable thereunder because of any early termination or notional amount reduction), but not any Sale Proceeds from any of these instruments (except to the extent that they were purchased with Interest Proceeds);

(v) all fees received pursuant to any Securities Lending Agreements;

(vi) amounts in the Collection Account designated for distribution as Interest Proceeds pursuant to the Priority of Payments;

(vii) all earnings on amounts in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account and the Revolving Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account in accordance with the Indenture;

(viii) amounts in the Expense Reimbursement Account on the Payment Date for the relevant Due Period; and

(ix) any recoveries (including interest) received on a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation in excess of the principal balance of such Non-Performing Collateral Obligation (as of the date the related Collateral Obligation became a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation and excluding from such principal balance any deferred interest on Non-Performing Collateral Obligations that are PIK Securities).

Interest Proceeds shall not include the Excluded Property and Interest Proceeds shall not include earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

Each reference in the definition of “Interest Proceeds” to a Collateral Obligation shall include a Collateral Obligation that has been loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and Interest Proceeds shall include any amounts referred to in clauses (i) through (iii) above received by the Issuer in respect of the Collateral Obligation indirectly from the related Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement.

With respect to any Payment Date after the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes has been paid in full, or so long as the Class A Notes are no longer Outstanding, if the Coverage Tests are at the same level as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Interest Proceeds due and payable on such Payment Date to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date that are distributed to such Holders by way of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of Cash pursuant to “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds.

**“Interest Reserve Amount”**: U.S. \$2,000,000

**“Interim Diversity Factor”** means 95%.

**“Interim Target Date”** means May 27, 2008.

**“Interim Target Test”** means a test that will be satisfied on the Interim Target Date if (i) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all items of Collateral Obligation which the Issuer has purchased or has entered into binding commitments to purchase is at least \$484,500,000, and (ii) the following tests are satisfied: (A) the Diversity Test, (B) the Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test, (C) the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, (D) the Weighted Average Spread Test and (E) the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test.



**“Irish Listing Agent”** means Dillon Eustace.

**“Issuer Charter”** means the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Issuer, as may be amended and restated before the Closing Date or in accordance with the Indenture.

**“Issuer Order”** and **“Issuer Request”** means a written order or request dated and signed in the name of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, or by the Servicer by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

**“Junior Class”** means, with respect to a particular Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that is subordinated to that Class.

**“Leasing Finance Transaction”** means any transaction pursuant to which the obligations of the lessee to pay rent or other amounts on a triple net basis under any lease of (or other arrangement conveying the right to use) real or personal property, or a combination thereof, are required to be classified and accounted for as a capital lease on a balance sheet of such lessee under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America; but only if (a) such lease or other transaction provides for the unconditional obligation of the lessee to pay a stated amount of principal no later than a stated maturity date, together with interest thereon, and the payment of such obligation is not subject to any material non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer, (b) the obligations of the lessee in respect of such lease or other transaction are fully secured, directly or indirectly, by the property that is the subject of such lease and (c) the interest held by the Issuer in respect of such lease or other transaction is treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

**“Loan”** means any interest in a fully committed, senior secured, unsecured, or revolving loan (including loans involving credit linked deposits and synthetic letters of credit) that is acquired by assignment or by Participation (including any DIP Loan) that is either:

- (i) Registered; or
- (ii) issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States:
  - (A) whose payments are not subject to United States withholding tax; and
  - (B) that is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**“Long-Dated Collateral Obligation”** means any Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturity of the Notes other than a Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturities of the Notes that includes a “put” option to its obligor at a price of at least par payable on or before the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

**“Maintenance Covenant”** means a covenant by the borrower to comply with one or more financial covenants during each reporting period, whether or not it has taken any specified action.

**“Majority”** means, with respect to any Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**“Margin Stock”** means “Margin Stock” as defined under Regulation U issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, including any debt security that is by its terms convertible into Margin Stock, but does not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation received pursuant to an offer by an issuer of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**“Market Value”** means, (a) as of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker dealers active in the trading of such obligations which are also Independent from the Servicer or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the lower of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker dealers

active in the trading of such obligations which are also Independent from the Servicer or (iii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the bid-side market price obtained by the Servicer from one Independent broker dealer active in the trading of such obligations which is also Independent from the Servicer; *provided* the Servicer remains a registered investment advisor, or (iv) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the bid-side prices for the purchase of the Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker dealers (Independent from the Servicer).

(b) If a Market Value of any Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined in accordance with the procedures set out in the previous paragraph for a period of 30 consecutive days then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero; provided, that during such 30 day period, such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to (a) the higher of (i) the S&P Recovery Rate for such Collateral Obligation and the then current S&P Rating of the most senior Class of Notes then Outstanding and (ii) 70% of the Principal Balance of such Collateral Obligation or (b) if the Servicer has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation is lower than the amount determined pursuant to clause (a), such amount to be determined by the Servicer in its commercially reasonable judgment; *provided, further*, that the maximum amount of Collateral Obligations having a Market Value assigned pursuant to the immediately preceding proviso shall be limited to 5.0% of the Maximum Amount (and any amount in excess of 5.0% of the Maximum Amount (which amount shall be composed of Collateral Obligations with the lowest Market Value Percentage) shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero). For the avoidance of doubt, the procedures set out in this paragraph shall not apply to determinations of Market Value of any Eligible Equity Securities or Current-Pay Obligations.

The Servicer is under no obligation to determine the Market Value of the Collateral Obligations other than as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or the Indenture or to comply with any of its duties as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or in the Indenture.

**“Market Value Determination Date”** means, with respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities, one Business Day prior to the date of the notice distributed by the Issuer to the Holders of the Preference Shares in connection with such distribution.

**“Market Value Percentage”** means, for any Collateral Obligation, the ratio obtained by dividing:

- (i) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation; by
- (ii) the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Maximum Amount”** means an amount equal to:

- (i) on any Measurement Date during the Ramp-Up Period, U.S.\$510,000,000; and
- (ii) on any Measurement Date after the Ramp-Up Completion Date:
  - (A) the aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations plus the aggregate outstanding principal amount of any Defaulted Collateral Obligations; *plus*
  - (B) Cash representing Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
  - (C) Eligible Investments (other than Cash) purchased by the Issuer with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account.

**“Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the sum of (i) the number set forth in the column entitled “Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolation between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable) *plus* (ii) the Recovery Rate Modifier.

**“Measurement Date”** means any date:

- (i) on which the Issuer commits to acquire or dispose of any Collateral Obligation;
- (ii) on which a Collateral Obligation becomes a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
- (iii) that is a Determination Date;
- (iv) that is the Ramp-Up Completion Date;
- (v) that is the Interim Target Date;
- (vi) that is the date as of which the information in a Monthly Report is calculated pursuant to the Indenture; and,

with respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities only,

- (vii) that is the Market Value Determination Date.

**“Minimum Diversity Score”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a score equal to the number set forth in the column entitled “Minimum Diversity Score” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**“Minimum Weighted Average Spread”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the spread equal to the percentage set forth in the row entitled “Minimum Weighted Average Spread” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**“Monthly Report”** means a monthly report compiled and provided by the Issuer.

**“Moody’s Default Probability Rating”** means with respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (i) with respect to a Moody’s Senior Secured Loan:
  - (A) if the Loan’s obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody’s, such corporate family rating;
  - (B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody’s Obligation Rating of such Loan;
  - (C) if the preceding clauses do not apply, the rating that is one subcategory above the Moody’s Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating;
- (ii) with respect to a Moody’s Non Senior Secured Loan or a High-Yield Bond, the Moody’s Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating of such Collateral Obligation;
- (iii) with respect to a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the rating that is one rating subcategory below the Assigned Moody’s Rating thereof;
- (iv) with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation, the Assigned Moody’s Rating thereof or, if the obligation does not have an Assigned Moody’s Rating but has a rating by S&P, then the Moody’s Default Probability Rating shall be:
  - (x) one rating subcategory below the Moody’s equivalent of such S&P rating if it is “BBB–” or higher; or
  - (y) two rating subcategories below the Moody’s equivalent of such S&P rating if it is “BB+” or lower; and
  - (v) with respect to a Synthetic Security, the Assigned Moody’s Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down (if on watch for downgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories or adjusted up (if on watch for upgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture, if a Moody's Default Probability Rating is withdrawn by Moody's with respect to a Collateral Obligation and if the Issuer, or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, has applied for a rating estimate from Moody's with respect to such Collateral Obligation, the Issuer will continue using the latest Moody's Default Probability Rating available immediately prior to such withdrawal pending receipt of such rating estimate from Moody's; *provided, however*, that if a Moody's Default Probability Rating is withdrawn and neither the Issuer, nor the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, have applied for a rating estimate, the provisions of Schedule 7 to the Indenture with respect to Collateral Obligations whose ratings have been withdrawn will be followed.

**"Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating"** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation that is a Loan or bond and the obligor thereof, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (i) if the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating;
- (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's "Issuer Rating" (as defined by Moody's) for the obligor;
- (iii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating; then
  - (A) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "B3" (and, if rated "B3", not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one rating subcategory higher than such Assigned Moody's Rating; or
  - (B) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "B3" (or rated "B3" and on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be such Assigned Moody's Rating;
- (iv) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating; then:
  - (A) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "Caa3" (and, if rated "Caa3", not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one subcategory below such Assigned Moody's Rating; or
  - (B) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "Caa3" (or rated "Caa3" and on watch for downgrade), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be "C";
- (v) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but such obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be one rating subcategory below such corporate family rating;
- (vi) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be:
  - (A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

- (B) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; or
- (C) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (a) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating no lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or High-Yield Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (vi)(C), or clauses (vii)(C) or (viii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(vii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

- (A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;
- (B) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (iii) above; or
- (C) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (a) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or High-Yield Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (vii)(C), or clauses (vi)(C) or (viii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(viii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

- (A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;
- (B) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (iv) above; or
- (C) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (a) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within two Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or High-Yield Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (viii)(C), or clause (vi)(C) or (vii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(ix) if the preceding clauses do not apply and each of the following clauses (A) through (H) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa1":

- (A) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings;
- (B) no debt securities or obligations of the obligor are in default;
- (C) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates has defaulted on any debt during the preceding two years;
- (D) the obligor has been in existence for the preceding five years;
- (E) the obligor is current on any cumulative dividends;
- (F) the fixed-charge ratio for the obligor exceeds 125% for each of the preceding two fiscal years and for the most recent quarter;
- (G) the obligor had a net profit before tax in the past fiscal year and the most recent quarter; and
- (H) the annual financial statements of such obligor are unqualified and certified by a firm of Independent accountants of international reputation, and quarterly statements are unaudited but signed by a corporate officer;

(x) if the preceding clauses do not apply but each of the following clauses (A) and (B) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa3":

- (A) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings; and
- (B) no debt security or obligation of such obligor has been in default during the past two years; and

(xi) if the preceding clauses do not apply and a debt security or obligation of the obligor has been in default during the past two years, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Ca."

Notwithstanding the foregoing, not more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may consist of Relevant Obligations given a Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating based on a rating given by S&P as provided in clauses (vi), (vii) and (viii) above.

**"Moody's Group I Country"** means any of the following countries: Australia, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group I Country.

**"Moody's Group II Country"** means any of the following countries: Germany, Ireland, Sweden, Switzerland and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group II Country.

**"Moody's Group III Country"** means any of the following countries: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, Spain and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group III Country.

**"Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the lesser of (x) 60% and (y) the number obtained by (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate, (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations and (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

**"Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan"** means any Loan that is not a Moody's Senior Secured Loan.



**“Moody’s Obligation Rating”** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (i) With respect to a Moody’s Senior Secured Loan:
  - (A) if it has an Assigned Moody’s Rating, such Assigned Moody’s Rating; or
  - (B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the rating that is one rating subcategory above the Moody’s Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and
- (ii) With respect to a Moody’s Non Senior Secured Loan or a High-Yield Bond:
  - (A) if it has an Assigned Moody’s Rating, such Assigned Moody’s Rating; or
  - (B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody’s Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and
- (iii) With respect to a Synthetic Security or a DIP Loan, the Assigned Moody’s Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody’s rating or ratings used to determine the Moody’s Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody’s, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

**“Moody’s Priority Category”** means each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of “Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix” as a “Moody’s Priority Category.”

**“Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate”** means for any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of “Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix” opposite the Moody’s Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix”** means the table below:

<b>Moody’s Priority Category</b>	<b>Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Synthetic Securities .....	In the case of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the “Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate” given by Moody’s to the Form-Approved Synthetic Security at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security by Moody’s; and</li> <li>(ii) any other Synthetic Security, the “Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate” given by Moody’s to the Synthetic Security at the time of acquisition of the Synthetic Security.</li> </ul>
Structured Finance Obligations .....	The Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the Moody’s Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 5</u> to the Indenture by reference to the type of asset and its then Moody’s Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that schedule does not apply, on a case-by-case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
unsecured DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligations not covered above or below .....	As determined by Moody’s on a case-by-case basis.



For High-Yield Bonds, Moody's Senior Secured Loans and Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is the rate determined pursuant to the table below based on the number of rating subcategories difference between the High-Yield Bond's or Loan's Moody's Obligation Rating and its Moody's Default Probability Rating (for purposes of clarification, if the Moody's Obligation Rating is higher than the Moody's Default Probability Rating, the rating subcategories difference will be positive and if it is lower, negative):

<b>Number of Moody's Rating Subcategories Difference Between the Moody's Obligation Rating and the Moody's Default Probability Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>High-Yield Bonds</b>
+2 or more	60.0%	45.0%	40.0%
+1	50.0%	42.5%	35.0%
0	45.0%	40.0%	30.0%
-1	40.0%	30.0%	15.0%
-2	30.0%	15.0%	10.0%
-3 or less	20.0%	10.0%	2.0%

If no Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate has been specifically assigned with respect to a Loan pursuant to the above table, and the Loan is a secured DIP Loan, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is 50.0%.

**"Moody's Rating"** means the Moody's Default Probability Rating; *provided* that, with respect to the Collateral Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or any successor to it ceases to provide rating services, references to rating categories of Moody's in the Indenture shall be deemed instead to be references to the equivalent categories of any other nationally recognized investment rating agency selected by the Servicer, as of the most recent date on which such other rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which such alternative rating agency is used. If no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's, then the Servicer may apply to Moody's for a Moody's credit rating estimate, which will be its Moody's Rating; *provided* that, on or prior to each one-year anniversary of the acquisition of any such Collateral Obligation, the Issuer shall submit to Moody's a request for a Moody's credit rating estimate for such Collateral Obligation, which shall be its Moody's Rating, together with all information reasonably required by Moody's to perform such estimate.

**"Moody's Rating Factor"** means the number in the table below opposite the rating of the Collateral Obligation (excluding Synthetic Securities where an Assigned Moody's Rating is not available).

<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>	<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>
Aaa	1	Ba1	940
Aa1	10	Ba2	1,350
Aa2	20	Ba3	1,766
Aa3	40	B1	2,220
A1	70	B2	2,720
A2	120	B3	3,490
A3	180	Caa1	4,770
Baa1	260	Caa2	6,500
Baa2	360	Caa3	8,070
Baa3	610	Ca or lower	10,000

The Moody's Rating Factor for Collateral Obligations that are Synthetic Securities shall be determined by Moody's and obtained by the Issuer or the Servicer on a case-by-case basis, unless (1) there is an Assigned Moody's Rating available for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, in which case such Assigned Moody's Rating shall be used to compute the Moody's Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, or (2) such Collateral Obligation is a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, in which case the Moody's Rating Factor given to such Collateral Obligation at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security shall be used to compute the Moody's Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security.

The Moody's Rating Factor for any Collateral Obligation that is a Structured Finance Obligation shall be equal to:  $\frac{Ax55\%}{1-B}$

where: "A" means the number determined with respect to such Collateral Obligation pursuant to the table above; and

"B" means the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Senior Secured Loan"** means:

- (i) a Loan that:
  - (A) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan;
  - (B) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan; and
  - (C) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal seniority secured by a first lien or security interest in the same collateral; or
- (ii) a Loan that:
  - (A) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan, other than, with respect to a Loan described in clause (i) above, with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such loan;
  - (B) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan;
  - (C) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by a first or second lien or security interest in the same collateral; and
  - (D) has been assigned a Moody's rating equal to or higher than Moody's corporate family rating for such obligor; and
- (iii) the Loan is not: (A) a DIP Loan, (B) a Loan for which the security interest or lien (or the validity or effectiveness thereof) in substantially all of its collateral attaches, becomes effective, or otherwise "springs" into

existence after the origination thereof, or (C) a type of loan that Moody's has identified as having unusual terms and with respect to which its Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate has been or is to be determined on a case-by-case basis.

**"Non-Call Period"** means, with respect to the Class A Notes, the period from the Closing Date to but not including the Payment Date in May 2012, and with respect to the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes, the period from the Closing Date to but not including the Payment Date in May 2009.

**"Non-Consenting Holder"** means with respect to any supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, any Holder or, in the case of Securities represented by Global Notes, any beneficial owner, that either (i) has delivered to the Trustee a written notice that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) had not consented to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

**"Non-Performing Collateral Obligation"** means any Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any PIK Security as to which its issuer or obligor has previously deferred or capitalized any interest due on it and all the interest so deferred or capitalized has not subsequently been paid in full in cash by:

(i) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above, the earlier of its second payment date or one year, in each case, following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it; or

(ii) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "Baa3", the earlier of its first payment date or six months, in each case, following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it.

**"Non-Permitted ERISA Holder"** means the beneficial owner of an interest in a Class E Note, a Class I Preference Share or a Class II Preference Share who has made a Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person representation that is subsequently shown to be false or misleading or whose beneficial ownership otherwise causes a violation of the 25% Limitation.

**"Note Payment Sequence"** means the application of funds in the following order:

- (1) to the Class A Notes until the Class A Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (2) to the Class B Notes until the Class B Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (3) to the Class C Notes until the Class C Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (4) to the Class D Notes until the Class D Notes have been fully redeemed; and
- (5) to the Class E Notes until the Class E Notes have been fully redeemed.

**"Noteholder"** means a Holder of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes.

**"Notes"** means the Class the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**"Offer"** means any Collateral Obligation that is subject to a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion or other similar action.

**"Officer"** means, with respect to the Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to the Co-Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to any partnership, any of its general partners; and with respect to the Trustee, any Trust Officer.

**“Outstanding”** means, with respect to:

(i) the Notes or any specified Class, as of any date of determination, all of the Notes or all of the Notes of the specified Class, as the case may be, theretofore authenticated and delivered under the Indenture, except with respect to Notes:

- (A) Notes canceled by the Indenture Registrar or delivered to the Indenture Registrar for cancellation;
- (B) Notes for whose payment or redemption funds in the necessary amount have been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any paying agent in trust for their Holders pursuant to the Indenture and if the Notes are to be redeemed, notice of redemption has been duly given pursuant to the Indenture;
- (C) Notes in exchange for or in lieu of which other Notes have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to the Indenture; and
- (D) Notes alleged to have been destroyed, lost, or stolen for which replacement Notes have been issued as provided in the Indenture, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Notes are held by a protected purchaser; and

(ii) the Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Preference Share Documents and listed in the share register of the Issuer as outstanding;

*provided* that, in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver under the Indenture, the Securities owned or beneficially owned by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, any Affiliate of either of them and, with respect to any matter affecting its status as Servicer or appointment of a replacement Servicer or relating to an acceleration of any Class of Notes if the effect of the Servicer’s action or inaction as a Holder of Securities would effectively prevent acceleration, the Servicer, its Affiliates and any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (other than, with respect to Notes or Class II Preference Shares, HFP or any of its subsidiaries; *provided* that, with respect to the voting authority of Notes or Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the “independent directors” (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Trustee or the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, by any of the “independent directors” of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) shall be disregarded and not be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver, only Securities that a Trust Officer of the Trustee (or with respect to the Preference Shares, only Preference Shares that an Authorized Officer of the Preference Shares Paying Agent) has actual knowledge to be so owned or beneficially owned shall be so disregarded. Securities so owned or beneficially owned that have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee or the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, the pledgee’s right so to act with respect to the Securities and that the pledgee is independent from the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

**“Participating Institution”** means an institution that creates a participation interest and that has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody’s of at least “A3” (and if so rated by Moody’s such rating is not on watch for possible downgrade) and a short-term credit rating by S&P of at least “A-1” or, if no short-term rating exists, a long-term credit rating by S&P of at least “A+”.

**“Participation”** means a Loan acquired as a participation interest created by a Participating Institution.

**“Permitted Offer”** means a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion or other similar action pursuant to which the offeror offers to acquire a debt obligation (including a Collateral Obligation) in exchange solely for cash in an amount equal to or greater than the full face amount of the debt obligation plus any accrued and unpaid interest and as to which the Servicer has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the offeror has sufficient access to financing to consummate the tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion or other similar action.

**“Person”** is an individual, corporation (including a business trust), partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust (including any beneficiary thereof), unincorporated association or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

**“PIK Cash-Pay Interest”** means, as to any PIK Security, the portion of interest required to be paid in cash (and not permitted to be added to the balance of such PIK Security or otherwise deferred and accrued) thereon pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments.

**“PIK Security”** means any loan or debt obligation on which any portion of the interest accrued for a specified period of time or until the maturity thereof is, or at the option of the obligor may be, added to the principal balance of such loan or debt obligation or otherwise deferred rather than being paid in cash; *provided* that such loan or debt obligation shall not be a PIK Security if the portion, if any, of such interest required pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments to be paid in Cash would result in the outstanding principal amount of such loan or debt obligation having an effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest at least equal to (i) if such loan or debt obligation is a fixed rate loan or debt obligation, 4% *per annum*, or (ii) if such loan or debt obligation is a floating rate loan or debt obligation, LIBOR.

**“Pledged Obligations”** means, as of any date of determination, the Collateral Obligations, the Workout Assets, the Eligible Investments, and any other securities or obligations that have been granted to the Trustee that form part of the Collateral.

**“Portfolio Improvement Exchange”** means, the disposition, during the Replacement Period, of a Collateral Obligation and corresponding acquisition of one or more Collateral Obligations which in the aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Test, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied (or bring the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations closer to compliance with any such test or limitation) or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith would be improved and (ii) improving, on a net basis, the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test and Concentration Limitations and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased.

**“Preference Share Internal Rate of Return”** means, with respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the “XIRR” function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a *per annum* basis, for the following cash flows, assuming all Preference Shares are purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount:

- (i) each distribution of Interest Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date; and
- (ii) each distribution of Principal Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date.

**“Preference Shares Distribution Account”** means a separate segregated non-interest bearing account established by the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deposit all amounts received from the Issuer and payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares under the Priority of Payments.

**“Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement”** means the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement dated as of March 27, 2008, between the Issuer and State Street Bank and Trust Company, as note registrar, transfer agent and Preference Shares Paying Agent, relating to the Preference Shares.

**“Preference Shares Paying Agent”** means State Street Bank and Trust Company in its capacity as Preference Shares Paying Agent under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter “Preference Shares Paying Agent” shall mean such successor person.

**“Principal Balance”** means, with respect to:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those specifically covered in this definition, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Pledged Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest, zero, except as otherwise expressly specified in the Indenture;
- (iv) any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, except as otherwise provided, zero;
- (v) any Collateral Obligation that has been loaned, its Principal Balance shall be reduced by the excess of the amount of collateral required over the actual Market Value of the collateral;
- (vi) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance shall include any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer’s obligation to fund the unfunded amount), except as otherwise expressly specified in the Indenture;
- (vii) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance shall not include any principal amount of the PIK Security representing previously deferred or capitalized interest; and
- (viii) any Qualified Equity Security and any obligation or security that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, zero.

**“Principal Proceeds”** means with respect to any Due Period, all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are not Interest Proceeds.

Principal Proceeds shall include any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account into the Collection Account pursuant to the Indenture.

Principal Proceeds do not include the Excluded Property or earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

At any time when an “event of default” under a Securities Lending Agreement has occurred and is continuing, any payments received by the Issuer from the related Securities Lending Collateral shall be Principal Proceeds.

**“Priority Class”** means, with respect to any specified Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that ranks senior to that Class.

**“Proceeding”** means any suit in equity, action at law, or other judicial or administrative proceeding.

**“Proposed Portfolio”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations and Principal Proceeds held as cash on deposit in the Collection Account and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account resulting from the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or a proposed purchase of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**“Purchase Agreement”** means a securities purchase agreement dated as of March 27, 2008 among the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchaser relating to the purchase of the Senior Notes, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**“Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance”** means, for any Collateral Obligation other than Deep Discount Obligations, its Principal Balance; and for any Deep Discount Obligation its Purchase Price; *provided, however*, that



if any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations exist, the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance for the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations shall be equal to the weighted average Market Value of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances.

**“Purchase Price”** means, with respect to the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (other than any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation), the net purchase price paid by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation. The net purchase price is determined by subtracting from the purchase price the amount of any Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal and any syndication and other upfront fees paid to the Issuer and by adding the amount of any related transaction costs (including assignment fees) paid by the Issuer to the seller of the Collateral Obligation or its agent.

**“Purchase Price Amount”** means, respect to any Collateral Obligation on any date of determination, the product of (i) the Purchase Price (stated as a percentage) thereof and (ii) the Principal Balance thereof on such date.

**“Qualified Equity Security”** means any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that is stock or evidence of an interest in or a right to buy stock, or any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation but whose acquisition otherwise is a transaction in stocks or securities within the meaning of Section 864(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Code and the regulations under the Code. Qualified Equity Securities do not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation and that will cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in or having income from a United States trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes by virtue of its ownership or disposition of the obligation (without regard to the Issuer’s other activities).

**“Ramp-Up Period”** means the period from and including the Closing Date to and including the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

**“Rating Agency”** means, each of Moody’s and S&P or, with respect to Pledged Obligations generally, if at any time Moody’s or S&P ceases to provide rating services with respect to high yield debt securities, any other nationally recognized statistical rating organization selected by the Issuer and reasonably satisfactory to a Majority of each Class of Notes. If at any time Moody’s ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of Moody’s in the Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and Moody’s published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used. If at any time S&P ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of S&P in the Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and S&P published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used.

**“Rating Condition”** means, with respect to any Rating Agency and any action taken or to be taken under the Indenture, a condition that is satisfied when the Rating Agency has confirmed to the Servicer (as agent for the Issuer) in writing that no withdrawal, reduction, suspension, or other adverse action with respect to any then current rating by it (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes will occur as a result of the action. The Rating Condition with respect to any Rating Agency shall be satisfied for all purposes of the Indenture at any time when no Outstanding Notes are rated by it.

**“Rating Confirmation”** means confirmation in writing from each Rating Agency that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes; *provided, however*, that in the case of Refinancing Notes, both a Moody’s rating and an S&P rating will be obtained for such Refinancing Notes and a Rating Confirmation with respect to such Refinancing Notes shall mean (i) with respect to S&P, confirmation in writing from S&P that the S&P rating of each Class of Refinancing Notes will be no lower than the rating on each corresponding Class of Notes subject to such Refinancing and (ii) with respect to Moody’s, that the Moody’s rating of each Class of Refinancing Notes will be no lower than the rating on each corresponding Class of Notes subject to such Refinancing; provided further that if the terms of such Refinancing Notes are the same as the terms of the corresponding Class of Notes subject to Refinancing (other than with respect to the coupon thereof), it is expected that the cost of obtaining such rating from Moody’s shall be no more than the cost of obtaining a Rating Confirmation.



“**Ratings Matrix**” means the “row/column combination” of the table below selected by the Servicer on the Closing Date to apply initially for purposes of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test. Thereafter, on notice to the Trustee, the Servicer may select a different row of the Ratings Matrix to apply, or may interpolate between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable, on a straight-line basis and round the results to two decimal points.

Minimum Weighted Average Spread	Minimum Diversity Score							
	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80
2.00%	1890	1915	1925	1940	1960	1980	2005	2030
2.10%	1950	1990	2005	2025	2035	2060	2070	2095
2.20%	2050	2075	2095	2105	2135	2150	2175	2190
2.30%	2140	2165	2195	2210	2240	2250	2275	2285
2.40%	2220	2255	2290	2315	2340	2360	2375	2385
2.50%	2300	2340	2380	2400	2430	2455	2475	2495
2.60%	2350	2405	2450	2485	2515	2540	2560	2575
2.70%	2390	2455	2505	2550	2585	2620	2640	2650
2.80%	2430	2505	2560	2605	2640	2675	2700	2720
2.90%	2465	2535	2600	2655	2695	2735	2760	2785
3.00%	2510	2585	2640	2690	2740	2780	2815	2845
3.10%	2545	2615	2680	2730	2780	2815	2855	2890
3.20%	2585	2655	2720	2770	2815	2855	2900	2930
3.30%	2620	2695	2755	2810	2855	2900	2940	2975
3.40%	2660	2735	2795	2850	2895	2940	2975	3010
3.50%	2695	2775	2835	2885	2935	2980	3010	3050
Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor								

“**Recovery Rate Modifier**” means as of any Measurement Date, the product of:

(i) (a) the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate minus the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test (but not less than zero) *multiplied by* (b) 100; and

(ii) 55.

“**Redemption Date**” means any Payment Date specified for an Optional Redemption or the redemption of a Class of Notes in connection with a Refinancing under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

“**Redemption Price**” means, with respect to any Note and any Optional Redemption or Refinancing, an amount equal to:

- (i) the outstanding principal amount of the Note being redeemed; *plus*
- (ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest); *plus*
- (iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note; *plus*
- (iv) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

With respect to any Preference Share and any Optional Redemption, “Redemption Price” means (i) at the request of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the *pro rata* portion for such Preference Share of the entire remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications pursuant to the Priority of Payments or (ii) as specified by the unanimous written request of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case as specified in “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares.”

**“Reference Obligation”** means an obligation that would otherwise satisfy the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and on which a Synthetic Security is based; *provided* that no Reference Obligation shall be a Synthetic Security.

**“Refinancing Price”** means, with respect to any Class of Notes that is subject to a Refinancing, an amount equal to the Redemption Price therefor.

**“Refinancing Proceeds”** means, the proceeds from any refinancing permitted under the Indenture.

**“Registered”** means, with respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment, means that it is issued after July 18, 1984 and is in registered form within the meaning of Section 881(c)(2)(B)(i) of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.

**“Regulation D”** means Regulation D under the Securities Act.

**“Relevant Obligation”** means, for a Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security and otherwise the Collateral Obligation.

**“Required Redemption Percentage”** means, with respect to (a) any Optional Redemption resulting from a Tax Event, the Holders of at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of any Affected Class or at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares and (b) any other Optional Redemption, a Majority of the Preference Shares.

**“Revolving Loan”** means a Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation (in each case excluding any Delayed Drawdown Loan) that requires the Issuer to make future advances to (or for the account of) the borrower under its underlying instruments (including any letter of credit for which the Issuer is required to reimburse the issuing bank for under it). A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Revolving Loan for so long as its Commitment Amount is greater than zero.

**“S&P CDO Monitor”** means a dynamic, analytical computer model developed by S&P (and as may be modified by S&P from time to time) and provided to the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator to be used to calculate the default frequency in terms of the amount of debt assumed to default as a percentage of the original principal amount of the Collateral Obligations consistent with a specified benchmark rating level based on certain assumptions and S&P’s proprietary corporate default studies. For the purpose (and only for the purpose) of applying the S&P CDO Monitor to a portfolio of obligations, for each obligation in the portfolio, the rating of the obligation shall be its S&P Rating.

**“S&P CRR”** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation, a corporate recovery rate assigned by S&P to such Collateral Obligation.

**“S&P Industry Classification”** means the S&P Industry Classifications in Schedule 3 of the Indenture as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by S&P.

**“S&P Rating”** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following methodology:

- (i) If there is an issuer credit rating of the borrower of the Collateral Obligation (the **“Borrower”**), or the guarantor who unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the Collateral Obligation (the **“Guarantor”**) by S&P, the most current issuer credit rating for such Borrower or Guarantor (provided that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating);
- (ii) (a) if there is not an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation will be one subcategory below such rating; (b) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior unsecured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be such rating; and (c) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a subordinated obligation of

the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be two subcategories above such rating if such rating is “BBB-” or higher and will be one subcategory above such rating if such rating is “BB+” or lower (provided that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating); or

(iii) if there is neither an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P nor a rating by S&P on an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating may be determined using any one of the methods below:

- (A) if an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is publicly rated by Moody’s, then the S&P Rating will be determined in accordance with the methodologies for establishing the Moody’s Default Probability Rating, except that the S&P Rating of such obligation will be (1) one subcategory below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody’s if such security is rated “Baa3” or higher by Moody’s and (2) two subcategories below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody’s if such security is rated “Ba1” or lower by Moody’s; *provided* that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may be given a S&P Rating based on a rating given by Moody’s as provided in this subclause (A) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable); or
- (B) if no security or obligation of the issuer or obligor is rated by S&P or Moody’s, and the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer has applied to S&P for a rating estimate and provided all relevant Information to S&P (at [Credit\\_estimates@sandp.com](mailto:Credit_estimates@sandp.com)) within 30 days of the acquisition (or, if such application is caused as a result of a rating withdrawal by S&P or Moody’s, as applicable, the withdrawal of the rating by S&P or Moody’s, as applicable) of such security or obligation, such security or obligation, pending receipt from S&P of such rating estimate, shall have an S&P Rating as determined by the Servicer in its commercially reasonable judgment; *provided* that, if the Servicer does not submit all relevant Information within 30 days of such acquisition or rating withdrawal, as applicable, of such security or obligation, (x) S&P shall endeavor to provide a rating estimate as soon as reasonably practical upon receipt of all relevant Information, (y) during a period of 90 days (or such longer period as agreed to by S&P pursuant to a request made by the Servicer) from the date of such acquisition or rating withdrawal, as applicable, and pending receipt from S&P of a rating estimate, such security or obligation shall have an S&P Rating as determined by the Servicer in its commercially reasonable judgment and (z) if S&P does not provide a rating estimate within 90 days (or such longer period as agreed by S&P pursuant to a request made by the Servicer) of the date of such acquisition or rating withdrawal, as applicable, of such security or obligation, such security or obligation shall be treated as rated “CCC-” by S&P until such time as S&P provides a credit estimate; and
- (C) any reference in this definition to an S&P rating estimate or estimated rating must be such rating provided by S&P in writing and any such rating shall expire after one year of its provision by S&P. The Servicer may re-apply for a credit estimate within 30 days prior to the expiration of such credit estimate, subject to the procedures specified in subclause (iii)(B) above; *provided* that, if an obligation identical to a Collateral Obligation is held in another fund serviced or managed by the Servicer and an estimated rating has been assigned by S&P to such obligation held in such other fund (and such estimated rating has not yet expired), such estimated rating, upon request by the Servicer to S&P, shall be applicable to the Collateral Obligation held by the Trustee under the Indenture;

*provided* that, if (i) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any positive “credit watch” list by S&P, such rating will be increased by one rating subcategory or (ii) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any negative “credit watch” list by S&P, such rating will be decreased by one rating subcategory.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the S&P Rating shall be (A) the rating assigned thereto by S&P if the rating is public, (B) the rating assigned by S&P if the rating is

confidential, but only if all appropriate parties have provided written consent to its disclosure and use, (C) the rating assigned by S&P thereto through an estimated rating or (D) the rating assigned thereto by S&P in connection with the acquisition thereof upon the request of the Servicer. In the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a PIK Security, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Securities, the S&P Rating may not be determined pursuant to clause (iii)(A) above.

S&P Ratings for entities or obligations relevant hereunder other than Borrowers and Collateral Obligations shall be determined in a corresponding manner.

“**S&P Recovery Rate**” means, as of any date of determination, with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the percentage for such Collateral Obligation set forth in (x) the applicable table below, as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by S&P, (y) the row in such table opposite the S&P CRR (or, if the relevant assets have no S&P CRR, the senior secured recovery rating, the U.S. loan recovery rating or the CDO liability rating, as applicable) of such Collateral Obligation (or, in the case of a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation unless otherwise specified by S&P) and (z) the column in such table below the initial S&P Rating of the respective Class of Notes; *provided, however* that (i) with respect to a DIP Loan or a Synthetic Security (other than a Form-Approved Synthetic Security that does not reference an index), the S&P Recovery Rate shall be the recovery rate assigned by S&P and with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation the S&P Recovery Rate shall be the recovery rate determined by reference to Table V or Table VI below, as applicable and (ii) the Issuer or the Servicer may request the assignment of a recovery rate from S&P with respect to any Collateral Obligation, any such assignment by S&P to be in writing (electronic or otherwise); *provided, further*, that if a Collateral Obligation is a Cov-lite Loan for which there is no S&P CRR and therefore Table IV would apply, the recovery rate for such Collateral Obligation shall be equal to 90% of its recovery rate as of such date of determination, unless otherwise provided by S&P upon request by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer.

**Table I (if the Collateral Obligation has a S&P CRR): Recovery Rates For Assets With Corporate Recovery Ratings**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC
<b>S&amp;P CRR</b>				(%)			
1+	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1	92	94	96	98	100	100	100
2	78	81	84	87	90	90	90
3	58	61	64	67	70	70	70
4	38	41	44	47	50	50	50
5	16	20	24	27	30	30	30
6	6	7	8	9	10	10	10

\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table II (if the Collateral Obligation is a Senior Unsecured Loan and has no S&P CRR, but other senior secured corporate debt of the same obligor has a S&P CRR): U.S. Recovery Rates of Corporate Senior Unsecured Debt If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B & CCC
<b>Senior secured recovery ratings</b>				(%)		
1+	53	55	57	59	61	61
1	48	50	52	54	56	56
2	43	45	47	49	51	51
3	39	41	43	45	47	47
4	22	24	26	28	30	30
5	8	10	12	14	15	15
6	4	4	4	4	4	4

\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table III (if the Collateral Obligation is a subordinated obligation and has no S&P CRR, but other senior secured corporate debt of the same obligor has a S&P CRR): U.S. Recovery Rates of Corporate Subordinated Debt If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B & CCC
<b>Senior secured recovery ratings</b>						
			(%)			
1+	25	25	25	25	25	25
1	22	22	22	22	22	22
2	20	20	20	20	20	20
3	20	20	20	20	20	20
4	10	10	10	10	10	10
5	5	5	5	5	5	5
6	2	2	2	2	2	2

\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table IV (if none of Table I, Table II or Table III is applicable): S&P's U.S. Tiered Corporate Recovery Rates (for Collateral Obligations that do not have a S&P CRR)**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B & CCC
<b>U.S. loan recovery rates</b>						
			(%)			
Senior Secured Loans	56	60	64	67	70	70
Senior Secured Loan which is a Cov-lite Loan	51	54	58	60	63	63
Senior Unsecured Loans and Second Lien Loans	40	42	44	46	48	48
Subordinated Loans	22	22	22	22	22	22
Senior Secured Notes	48	49	50	51	52	52
Unsecured Bonds	38	41	42	44	45	45
Subordinated Bonds	19	19	19	19	19	19

\* As of the Closing Date.

\*\* The Aggregate Principal Balance of all Second Lien Loans without a S&P CRR (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that, in the aggregate, represent up to 15% of the Maximum Amount will have the S&P Recovery Rate specified for Second Lien Loans in the table above. The Aggregate Principal Balance of all Second Lien Loans without a S&P CRR (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) in excess of 15% of the Maximum Amount will have the S&P Recovery Rate specified for Subordinated Loans in the table above.

**Table V (if the Structured Finance Obligation is the senior-most tranche of securities issued by the issuer of, or obligor on, such Structured Finance Obligation): S&P's Ratings of Collateral Obligations at the Date of Issuance**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>CCC</b>
<b>Recovery Rate by S&amp;P's Rating of Class of Notes on the Applicable Measurement Date</b>							
AAA	80.00%	85.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%
AA	70.00%	75.00%	85.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%
A	60.00%	65.00%	75.00%	85.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%
BBB	50.00%	55.00%	65.00%	75.00%	85.00%	85.00%	85.00%
BB	45.00%	50.00%	55.00%	65.00%	75.00%	75.00%	75.00%
B	25.00%	30.00%	50.00%	55.00%	65.00%	65.00%	50.00%
CCC	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	5.00%	10.00%	10.00%

\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table VI (if the Structured Finance Obligation is not the senior-most tranche of securities issued by the issuer of, or obligor on, such Structured Finance Obligation): S&P's Ratings of Collateral Obligations at the Date of Issuance**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>CCC</b>
<b>Recovery Rate by S&amp;P's Rating of Class of Notes on the Applicable Measurement Date</b>							
AAA	65.00%	70.00%	80.00%	85.00%	85.00%	85.00%	85.00%
AA	55.00%	65.00%	75.00%	80.00%	80.00%	80.00%	80.00%
A	40.00%	45.00%	55.00%	65.00%	80.00%	80.00%	80.00%
BBB	30.00%	35.00%	40.00%	45.00%	50.00%	60.00%	70.00%
BB	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%	25.00%	35.00%	40.00%	50.00%
B	2.50%	5.00%	5.00%	10.00%	10.00%	20.00%	25.00%
CCC	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	2.50%	5.00%	5.00%

\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table VII: European and Asian Tiered Corporate Recovery Rates (By Asset Class And CDO Liability Rating)**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B &amp; CCC</b>
<b>CDO liability rating</b>						
<b>Senior secured loans</b>				(%)		
Group A**	68	73	78	81	85	85
Group B**	56	60	64	67	70	70
Group C**	48	51	55	57	60	60
<b>Senior Secured Loan which is a Cov-lite Loan</b>						
Group A	61	66	70	73	77	77
Group B	51	54	58	60	63	63
Group C	43	46	50	51	54	54

**Mezz./second-lien/senior  
unsecured loans (%)**

Group A	45	47	50	52	54	54
Group B	40	42	44	46	48	48
Group C	35	37	39	40	42	42

**Subordinated loans (%)**

Group A	20	20	20	20	20	20
Group B	20	20	20	20	20	20
Group C	17	17	17	17	17	17

**Senior secured bonds (%)**

Group A	60	61	62	63	64	64
Group B	48	49	50	51	52	52
Group C	43	44	45	46	47	47

**Senior unsecured bonds (%)**

Group A	40	42	44	46	48	48
Group B	38	41	42	44	45	45
Group C	32	35	36	38	39	40

**Subordinated bonds (%)**

Group A	18	18	18	18	18	18
Group B	18	18	18	18	18	18
Group C	15	15	15	15	15	15

\* As of the Closing Date.

\*\* Group A: U.K., Ireland, South Africa, and The Netherlands. Group B: Belgium, Germany, Austria, Spain, Portugal, Luxembourg, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Finland, Hong Kong and Singapore. Group C: France, Italy, Greece, Switzerland, Japan, Korea and Taiwan.

**Table VIII: Group A European and Asian Recovery If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B & CCC
<b>CDO liability rating</b>						
<b>Mezz. loans/second-lien/senior unsecured loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	65	68	71	73	76	76
1	57	60	63	65	68	68
2	50	53	55	57	59	59
3	42	45	47	49	51	51
4	18	18	18	18	18	18
5	8	8	8	8	8	8
6	4	4	4	4	4	4
<b>Subordinated loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	22	22	22	22	22	22
1	20	20	20	20	20	20
2	18	18	18	18	18	18
3	18	18	18	18	18	18
4	9	9	9	9	9	9
5	4	4	4	4	4	4
6	2	2	2	2	2	2

\* As of the Closing Date.



**Table IX: Group B European and Asian Recovery If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B & CCC
<b>CDO liability rating</b>						
<b>Mezz. loans/second-lien/senior</b>						
<b>unsecured loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	53	55	57	59	61	61
1	48	50	52	54	56	56
2	43	45	47	49	51	51
3	39	41	43	45	47	47
4	18	18	18	18	18	18
5	8	8	8	8	8	8
6	4	4	4	4	4	4
<b>Subordinated loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	22	22	22	22	22	22
1	20	20	20	20	20	20
2	18	18	18	18	18	18
3	18	18	18	18	18	18
4	9	9	9	9	9	9
5	4	4	4	4	4	4
6	2	2	2	2	2	2

\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table X: Group C European and Asian Recovery If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B & CCC
<b>CDO liability rating</b>						
<b>Mezz. loans/second-lien/senior</b>						
<b>unsecured loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	45	46	48	49	51	51
1	41	43	44	46	47	48
2	37	39	41	42	44	44
3	33	36	37	39	40	41
4	16	16	16	16	16	16
5	6	6	6	6	6	6
6	3	3	3	3	3	3
<b>Subordinated loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	20	20	20	20	20	20
1	17	17	17	17	17	17
2	15	15	15	15	15	15
3	15	15	15	15	15	15
4	8	8	8	8	8	8
5	3	3	3	3	3	3
6	1	1	1	1	1	1

\* As of the Closing Date.

In all recovery rate tables above, Note rating categories below “AAA” include rating subcategories (for example, the “AA” column also applies to Notes rated “AA+” and “AA-”).

“**S&P Unrated DIP Loan**” means a DIP Loan acquired by the Issuer that does not have a rating assigned by S&P and for which the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P (as specified in the definition of “DIP Loan”).

“**Sale Proceeds**” means all proceeds received (including any proceeds received with respect to any associated interest rate swap or security providing fixed annuity payments ) with respect to Collateral Obligations or other

Pledged Obligations as a result of their sales or other dispositions less any reasonable expenses expended by the Servicer or the Trustee in connection with the sales or other dispositions, which shall be paid from such proceeds notwithstanding their characterization otherwise as Administrative Expenses.

**“Scenario Default Rate”** means, with respect to any Class of Notes rated by S&P, an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, consistent with S&P’s rating of the Class of Notes on the Closing Date, determined by application of the S&P CDO Monitor.

**“Second Lien Loan”** means a Loan that (i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinated in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan other than a Senior Secured Loan with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such Loan, (ii) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest in or lien on specified collateral securing the obligor’s obligations under the Loan, which specified collateral does not consist solely of common stock or shares issued by the obligor or any of its Affiliates or intangible assets and (iii) if such Loan does not have an S&P Recovery Rating, then, solely for purposes of determining the S&P Recovery Rate for such Loan, in the Servicer’s commercially reasonable judgment (with such judgment being made in good faith by the Servicer at the time of such Loan’s purchase), the specified collateral for such Loan has a value not less than the outstanding principal amount of all debt senior to such Loan and any debt *pari passu* with such Loan, which value may be derived from, among other things, the enterprise value of the issuer of such Loans (*provided* that the provisions of the clause (iii) may be amended at any time, subject to Rating Confirmation from S&P, or in order to conform to S&P’s then-current criteria for such Loans).

**“Secondary Risk Counterparty”** means any obligor Domiciled other than in the United States, any Participating Institution, any Synthetic Security Counterparty and any Securities Lending Counterparty.

**“Secondary Risk Table”** means, with respect to Moody’s the table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty	Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
Aaa	20.0%	20.0%
Aa1	10.0%	10.0%
Aa2	10.0%	10.0%
Aa3	10.0%	10.0%
A1	5.0%	10.0%
A2 or below	0.0%	0.0%

With respect to S&P and solely with respect to Participations and Securities Lending Agreements, the table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty	Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
AAA	20.0%	20.0%
AA+/AA/AA-	10.0%	20.0%
A+	5.0%	20.0%
A or below	0.0%	0.0%

If any Secondary Risk Counterparty's long-term senior unsecured debt rating or short-term rating is on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P, then for the purposes of the table above, its rating by the Rating Agency putting its rating on credit watch shall be one rating notch lower for that Rating Agency.

**"Secured Loan"** means a Loan that is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**"Secured Parties"** means the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer and each Hedge Counterparty (and the Collateral Administrator and Preference Shares Paying Agent to the extent of Administrative Expenses payable to such parties as provided in the Indenture).

**"Securities Account Control Agreement"** means an agreement dated as of the Closing Date by and among the Issuer, the Trustee and the Bank, as custodian.

**"Securities Lending Collateral"** means Cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the relevant Securities Lending Agreement and that are pledged by a Securities Lending Counterparty as collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement.

**"Senior Secured Loan"** means a Secured Loan that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a valid and perfected first priority security interest in collateral that in the opinion of the Servicer has value at least equal to the amount of the Loan and that is not a DIP Loan.

**"Senior Unsecured Loan"** means a Loan that is not a Senior Secured Loan and is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**"Servicing Agreement"** means the Servicing Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Servicer, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Spread Excess"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose (i) numerator is the product of (A) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date over the Minimum Weighted Average Spread specified in the applicable row of the Ratings Matrix and (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date and (ii) denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date. In computing the Spread Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Fixed Rate Excess were equal to zero.

**"Structured Finance Obligation"** means any obligation (other than the Notes or any other security or obligation issued by the Issuer):

(i) primarily secured directly by, referenced to or representing ownership of, a pool of loan receivables of U.S. obligors, or obligors organized or incorporated in Moody's Group I Countries, Moody's Group II Countries, Moody's Group III Countries or Tax Advantaged Jurisdictions (for the avoidance of doubt, excluding;

- (A) residential mortgage backed securities;
- (B) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by Emerging Market Securities;
- (C) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by asset backed securities;
- (D) market value collateralized debt obligations;
- (E) securities backed by "future flow" receivables;
- (F) securities backed by "trust preferred securities";

- (G) net interest margin securitizations;
  - (H) collateralized debt obligations greater than 10% of the underlying obligations of which are backed by high yield corporate bonds;
  - (I) collateralized debt obligations and collateralized loan obligations greater than 10% of the underlying obligations of which are backed by other collateralized debt obligations or collateralized loan obligations, as applicable;
  - (J) collateralized loan obligations backed by less than 90% loans; provided that the following collateralized loan obligations up to the Principal Balance set forth opposite their name will be allowed:
    - (1) Greywolf CLO I, Ltd.: \$1,000,000, and
    - (2) Madison Park Funding V, Ltd.: \$5,000,000;
  - (K) obligations secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool of receivables or other assets where the obligors with respect to such receivables or other assets are non-corporate credit risks);
- (ii) that has an S&P Rating;
  - (iii) that has a Moody's Rating and a Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate as specified in Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix; and
  - (iv) whose ownership or disposition (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) by the Issuer will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

For purposes of the Diversity Test, multiple Structured Finance Obligations from CLOs serviced by the same Servicer or multiple Structured Finance Obligations issued by the same master trust will be considered to be obligations of one issuer.

**"Subordinated Lien Loan"** means a Secured Loan (other than a Second Lien Loan) secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**"Subscription Agreement"** means a subscription agreement between a purchaser and the Issuer entered into on or before the Pricing Date for the subscription of the Class E Notes or the Preference Shares, as applicable.

**"Super Majority"** means, with respect to any Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**"Synthetic Letter of Credit"** means a facility whereby (i) an agent bank issues or will issue a letter of credit for or on behalf of a borrower pursuant to an Underlying Instrument, (ii) the lender/participant pre-funds in full its obligations thereunder (*provided* that for the avoidance of doubt if funds are deposited to the Revolving Reserve Account with respect to such Synthetic Letter of Credit, such future funding obligations shall be deemed to be pre-funded) and upon such pre-funding, the lender/participant has no future funding obligations with respect to such Synthetic Letter of Credit and (iii) either (x) in the event that the letter of credit is drawn upon and the borrower does not reimburse the agent bank, the amounts pre-funded by the lender/participant are utilized by the agent bank to reimburse the agent bank for such amounts not funded by the borrower or (y) the agent bank passes on (in whole or in part) the fees it receives for providing the letter of credit to the lender/participant; *provided*, that, with respect to any Synthetic Letter of Credit, either (i) the related agent bank has confirmed to the Issuer that it will withhold taxes from fees paid to the Issuer, or (ii) if the Issuer, or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, determines in its reasonable discretion that it is probable that such Synthetic Letter of Credit will be subject to withholding tax, then the Issuer, or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, either (x) disposes of such Synthetic Letter of Credit or (y) establishes an account with the Trustee into which 30% of all fee income from such Synthetic Letter of Credit will be transferred

and applied to the payment of any withholding tax imposed on the related fees received by the Issuer (it being understood that such reserved amounts shall be released and applied as Interest Proceeds at any later date if (A) the Issuer has received an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the Issuer is no longer responsible for any withholding tax payments on such Synthetic Letter of Credit or (B) the Rating Condition with respect to S&P (so long as any Class of Notes is rated by S&P) is satisfied with respect to such release of the reserved amounts).

**“Synthetic Security”** means any swap transaction, structured bond, credit linked note or other derivative financial instrument providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a debt instrument (but excluding any such instrument relating directly to a basket or portfolio of debt instruments) or an index or indices (such as the “SAMI” index published by Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC) in connection with a basket or portfolio of debt instruments or other similar instruments entered into by the Issuer with a Synthetic Security Counterparty that has in the Servicer’s commercially reasonable judgment, equivalent expected loss characteristics (those characteristics, **“credit risk”**) to those of the related Reference Obligations (taking account of those considerations as they relate to the Synthetic Security Counterparty), if (i) it is either a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied, and (ii) the Reference Obligations thereof have a Market Value equal to at least 85% of the Principal Balance of the Reference Obligation at the time the Synthetic Security is entered into.

**“Synthetic Security Agreement”** means the documentation governing any Synthetic Security.

**“Synthetic Security Collateral”** means, respect to any Synthetic Security, amounts posted to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account by the Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its obligations under the Synthetic Security, including (i) all Eligible Investments that mature no later than the Stated Maturity or (ii) floating rate credit card securitizations that are rated “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P that mature no later than the Stated Maturity in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account that are purchased with Synthetic Security Collateral; *provided* that any amounts described in clause (ii) above shall be hedged by a guaranteed investment contract or a total return swap which shall be subject to Rating Confirmation by S&P.

**“Synthetic Security Counterparty”** means any entity required to make payments on a Synthetic Security to the extent that a reference obligor makes payments on a related Reference Obligation.

**“Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction”** means one of the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the Netherlands Antilles or the tax advantaged jurisdiction of the Channel Islands, or such other jurisdiction that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto; *provided* that any Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction that is the jurisdiction of organization of an obligor of a Collateral Obligation other than obligors that are special purpose vehicles or issuers of Structured Finance Obligations shall have a Moody’s foreign currency rating of at least “Aa2” and a S&P foreign currency rating of at least “AA-”.

**“Tax Event”** means an event that occurs if either:

(i) (A) one or more Collateral Obligations that were not subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them have become subject to withholding tax or the rate of withholding has increased on one or more Collateral Obligations that were subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them and (B) in any Due Period, the aggregate of the payments subject to withholding tax on new withholding tax obligations and the increase in payments subject to withholding tax on increased rate withholding tax obligations, in each case to the extent not “grossed-up” (on an after-tax basis) by the related obligor, represent 5% or more of Interest Proceeds for the Due Period; or

(ii) taxes, fees, assessments, or other similar charges are imposed on the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in an aggregate amount in any twelve-month period in excess of U.S.\$2,000,000, other than any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax with respect to any payment owing in respect of any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation.

**“Treasury Regulations”** means the regulations, including proposed or temporary regulations, promulgated under the Code. References herein to specific provisions of proposed or temporary regulations shall include analogous provisions of final Treasury Regulations or other successor Treasury Regulations.

**“Trust Officer”** means, when used with respect to the Trustee, any officer in the Corporate Trust Office (or any successor group of the Trustee) including any director, vice president, assistant vice president, associate, or any

other officer of the Trustee customarily performing functions similar to those performed by such officers in the Corporate Trust Office, or to whom any corporate trust matter is referred at the Corporate Trust Office because of his knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject and having direct responsibility for the administration of the Indenture.

“**UCC**” means the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the State of New York, and as amended from time to time.

“**Underlying Instrument**” means the loan agreement, indenture, credit agreement, or other agreement pursuant to which a Pledged Obligation has been issued or created and each other agreement that governs the terms of or secures the obligations represented by the Pledged Obligation or of which the holders of the Pledged Obligation are the beneficiaries.

“**Unfunded Amount**” means, with respect to any Revolving Loan or any Delayed Drawdown Loan at any time, the excess, if any, of (a) the Commitment Amount over (b) the Funded Amount thereof.

“**Unscheduled Principal Payments**” means any principal payments received with respect to a Collateral Obligation as a result of optional redemptions, exchange offers, tender offers, other payments or prepayments made at the option of the issuer thereof or that are otherwise not scheduled to be made thereunder.

“**Valuation Report**” means the accounting report, determined as of the close of business on each Determination Date, rendered in accordance with the terms of the Indenture.

“**Voting Record Date**” means, with respect to any vote by the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares in relation to the appointment or removal of the directors of the Issuer, (a) 15 days prior to the relevant shareholders meeting or (b) in the case of any vote by the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares exercised by written consent resolution, the date of such resolution.

“**Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon**” means, as of any Measurement Date, the rate obtained by:

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Fixed Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current *per annum* rate at which it pays interest (other than, with respect to Collateral Obligations that are not PIK Securities, any interest that is not required to be paid in Cash and may be deferred), using only the effective after-tax interest rate determined by the Servicer on any Fixed Rate Obligation after taking into account any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction and any gross-up paid by the obligor);

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);

(iii) dividing the sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations that are Fixed Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, adding to the sum the amount of any Spread Excess as of the Measurement Date, but only to the extent required to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test.

“**Weighted Average Life**” means, as of any Measurement Date the number obtained by (i) summing the products obtained by *multiplying* (A) the Average Life at that time of each Collateral Obligation *by* (B) the Principal Balance at that time of the Collateral Obligation and (ii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance at that time of all Collateral Obligations.

“**Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor**” means the summation of the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation (excluding Eligible Investments) by its respective Moody’s Rating Factor, dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) and rounding the result up to the nearest whole number.



“**Weighted Average Spread**” means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate obtained by:

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Floating Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current *per annum* contract spread at which it pays interest (which (w) for PIK Securities for which interest has been deferred or capitalized, will be deemed to be zero, (x) for Collateral Obligations that would be PIK Securities but for the proviso in the definition thereof, will be deemed to be equal to the effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest applicable thereto, (y) for any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, will be the *per annum* contract spread for the Funded Amount thereof and the rate of the commitment fee and such other fees payable to the Issuer for any Unfunded Amount thereof and (z) for any synthetic letter of credit, will be the all-in rate net of withholding taxes (including any fees payable to the Issuer by the underlying obligor) minus the applicable LIBOR), determined with respect to any Floating Rate Obligation that does not bear interest based on a London interbank offered rate, by expressing the current interest rate on the Floating Rate Obligation as a spread above a three month London interbank offered rate calculated in a manner consistent with the calculation of LIBOR;

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);

(iii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to pass the Weighted Average Spread Test, adding to that sum the amount of Fixed Rate Excess as of the Measurement Date.

“**Workout Assets**” means a Loan, High-Yield Bond, or Qualified Equity Security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation that the Issuer does not advance any funds to purchase that does not qualify as a Collateral Obligation.

“**Written-Down Obligation**” means as of any date of determination, any Structured Finance Obligation as to which the Issuer or the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, has been notified by the issuer of the Structured Finance Obligation that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Structured Finance Obligation and all other Structured Finance Obligations secured by the same pool of collateral that rank *pari passu* with or senior in priority of payment to the Structured Finance Obligation exceeds the aggregate principal balance (including reserved interest or other amounts available for overcollateralization) of all collateral securing the Structured Finance Obligation and such other *pari passu* and senior Structured Finance Obligations (excluding defaulted collateral).

“**Zero-Coupon Security**” means a security that, at the time of determination, does not make periodic payments of interest. A Zero-Coupon Security shall not include a security that is a PIK Security.



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Extendable Notes, Due 2018**

**12,000 Class I Preference Shares**

**36,000 Class II Preference Shares**

**Aberdeen Loan Funding, Ltd.  
Aberdeen Loan Funding Corp.**

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## OFFERING MEMORANDUM

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**Merrill Lynch & Co.**

## **EXHIBIT G**

***EXECUTION COPY***

**ABERDEEN LOAN FUNDING, LTD.**

Issuer,

**ABERDEEN LOAN FUNDING CORP.**

Co-Issuer,

and

**STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY**

Trustee

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**INDENTURE**

Dated as of March 27, 2008

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**COLLATERALIZED DEBT OBLIGATIONS**

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**INDENTURE**, dated as of March 27, 2008, among **ABERDEEN LOAN FUNDING, LTD.** (the “*Issuer*”), **ABERDEEN LOAN FUNDING CORP.** (the “*Co-Issuer*”) and **STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY**, as trustee (together with its permitted successors, the “*Trustee*”).

### **PRELIMINARY STATEMENT**

The Co-Issuers are duly authorized to execute and deliver this Indenture to provide for the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes and the Issuer is duly authorized to execute and deliver this Indenture to provide for the Class E Notes, in each case issuable as provided in this Indenture. All covenants and agreements made by the Co-Issuers in this Indenture are for the benefit and security of the Secured Parties. The Co-Issuers are entering into this Indenture, and the Trustee is accepting the trusts created by this Indenture, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged.

All things necessary to make this Indenture a valid agreement of the Co-Issuers in accordance with the agreement’s terms have been done.

### **GRANTING CLAUSES**

The Issuer Grants to the Trustee, for the benefit and security of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer and each Hedge Counterparty (and the Collateral Administrator and Preference Shares Paying Agent to the extent of Administrative Expenses payable to such parties as provided hereunder) (collectively, the “*Secured Parties*”), all of its right, title, and interest in, to, and under, in each case, whether now owned or existing, or hereafter acquired or arising:

(a) the Collateral Obligations (listed, as of the Closing Date, in Schedule 1 to this Indenture and listed from time to time on such Schedule 1 as such Schedule 1 may be modified, amended and revised subsequent to the Closing Date by the Issuer) and all Workout Assets, including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles or supporting obligations (each as defined in the UCC) relating thereto, all payments made or to be made thereon or with respect thereto, and all Collateral Obligations and Workout Assets including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles (as defined in the UCC) relating thereto, which are delivered or credited to the Trustee, or for which a Security Entitlement is delivered or credited to the Trustee or which are credited to one or more of the Issuer Accounts on or after the Closing Date and all payments made or to be made thereon or with respect thereto;

(b) the Custodial Account, the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Interest Reserve Account and the Securities Lending Account (collectively, the “*Issuer Accounts*”), Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, and all income from funds in the Issuer Accounts;

(c) the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account (and, together with the Issuer Accounts, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the “*Accounts*”) and assets included therein, subject to the terms of the related

Synthetic Security (*provided, however, that any such rights in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee (or Securities Intermediary) first to secure the Issuer's payment obligations to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty and second for the benefit of the Secured Parties*);

(d) the Servicing Agreement, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Securities Lending Agreements and all Securities Lending Collateral and the Securities Lending Account, the Hedge Agreements as set forth in Article 15 and all Collateral securing the Hedge Counterparty's obligations thereunder including, without limitation, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account and the Collateral Administration Agreement, to the extent of any rights of the Issuer therein;

(e) all Cash or money delivered to the Trustee (or its bailee);

(f) all securities, investments, investment property, instruments, money, general intangibles, chattel paper and agreements of any nature in which the Issuer has an interest (except for money, securities and investments in the Issuer's bank account in the Cayman Islands), including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles or supporting obligations (each as defined in the UCC) relating thereto; and

(g) all proceeds with respect to the foregoing;

(all of the property and assets described in foregoing clauses (a) through (g), but excluding any Excluded Property, the "*Collateral*"). Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Collateral shall not include (i) amounts released from the Trustee's lien in connection with certain Synthetic Securities, Hedge Agreements and Securities Lending Agreements in accordance with this Indenture and (ii) any Excluded Property.

These Grants are not intended to and do not transfer any liability under the Collateral, which liabilities shall remain the sole obligation of the Issuer. These Grants are made, however, in trust as separate trusts, to secure the Notes. Except as provided in Article 13 and the priorities set forth in the Priority of Payments, the Notes are secured by the first grant equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction between any Note and any other Note because of difference in time of issuance or otherwise. The Grants are made to secure, in accordance with the priorities in the Priority of Payments and Article 13:

(i) the payment of all amounts due on the Notes equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction between any Note and any other Note because of difference in time of issuance or otherwise, in accordance with their terms;

(ii) the payment of all other sums payable under this Indenture (including without limitation, Administrative Expenses, but excluding amounts payable in respect of the Preference Shares);

(iii) the payment of sums payable to any Hedge Counterparty under a Hedge Agreement;

(iv) the payment of sums payable to the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement; and

(v) compliance with this Indenture;

(collectively, the “***Secured Obligations***”), all as provided in this Indenture.

The Trustee acknowledges the Grants, accepts the trusts under this Indenture in accordance with this Indenture, and agrees to perform its duties in this Indenture in accordance with the provisions hereof.

## ARTICLE 1

### DEFINITIONS

#### Section 1.1 **Definitions.**

Except as otherwise specified in this Indenture or as the context may otherwise require, the following terms have the respective meanings provided below for all purposes of this Indenture.

“***25% Limitation***”: The limitation imposed so that any purchase or transfer of Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares by Benefit Plan Investors from the Initial Purchaser or the Issuer and any subsequent transferee will be limited to less than 25% of the value of each of all Outstanding Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares by requiring each such purchaser and subsequent transferee to make certain representations and/or to agree to certain transfer restrictions regarding their status as Benefit Plan Investors or Controlling Persons.

“***A/B Exchange***”: An exchange of one security (the “***A Security***”) for another security (the “***B Security***”) of the same issuer or issuers, which security shall have the same seniority, maturity and interest rate as the A Security except that one or more transfer restrictions applicable to the A Security are inapplicable to the B Security.

“***Accounts***”: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

“***Accountants’ Certificate***”: An agreed upon procedures report of a firm of Independent certified public accountants of international reputation appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8(a), which may be the firm of Independent accountants that performs certain accounting services for the Issuer or the Servicer.

“***Accrued Interest On Sale***”: Interest accrued on a Collateral Obligation at the time of sale or other disposition to the extent paid to the Issuer as part of the sale or other disposition price of the Collateral Obligation after deduction of any amount representing Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal of the Collateral Obligation.

“***Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal***”: (i) interest accrued on or purchased with a Collateral Obligation as part of the price paid by the Issuer to acquire the Collateral Obligation

less any amount of Interest Proceeds (applied as Interest Proceeds) applied by the Issuer to acquire the accrued interest at the time of purchase and (ii) interest accrued on a Loan that constitutes part of the price paid by the Issuer to repay amounts owed to the Pre-Closing Parties in connection with the financing of the Issuer's pre-closing acquisition of such Loan.

**"Act"**: The meaning specified in Section 14.2.

**"Adjusted Interest Proceeds"**: The meaning specified in Section 11.1(b).

**"Adjusted Principal Proceeds"**: The meaning specified in Section 11.1(b).

**"Adjusted Proceeds"**: The meaning specified in Section 11.1(b).

**"Administration Agreement"**: The Administration Agreement between the Issuer and the Administrator, providing for the administrative functions on behalf of the Issuer, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Administrative Expense Cap"**: An amount on any Payment Date equal to the excess of:

(a) the sum of 0.025% of the Maximum Amount on the related Determination Date plus \$250,000; over

(b) the sum of the amounts paid for Administrative Expenses in the twelve months preceding the current Payment Date.

**"Administrative Expenses"**: Amounts due or accrued representing

(i) tax preparation, filing, and registration fees or expenses and any other filing and registration fees owed by the Co-Issuers (including all filing, registration and annual return fees payable to the Cayman Islands government and registered office fees);

(ii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Trustee (including all amounts under Section 6.8), the Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Collateral Administrator;

(iii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Co-Issuers and of accountants, agents and counsel for either of the Co-Issuers;

(iv) fees and expenses of the Rating Agencies in connection with any rating of the Collateral (requested by the Issuer or the Servicer) or the Notes owed by either Co-Issuer (including fees and expenses for ongoing surveillance, credit estimates and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies);

(v) expenses and indemnities (but not Servicing Fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;

(vi) fees, indemnities and expenses for third-party loan pricing services and accountants; and

(vii) amounts due (other than indemnities) to any other Person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for in this Indenture, including fees or expenses in connection with any Securities Lending Agreement.

**“Administrator”**: Walkers SPV Limited, or any successor thereto appointed under the Administration Agreement.

**“Affected Bank”** means a “bank” for purposes of Section 881 of the Code or an entity acting on behalf of such a bank that neither (x) meets the definition of a U.S. Holder nor (y) is entitled to the benefits of an income tax treaty with the United States under which withholding taxes on interest payments made by obligors resident in the United States to such bank are reduced to 0%.

**“Affected Class”**: Any Class of Notes that, as a result of the occurrence of a Tax Event, has received or will receive less than the aggregate amount of principal and interest that would otherwise have been payable to such Class on the Payment Date related to the Due Period with respect to which such Tax Event occurs.

**“Affiliate” or “Affiliated”**: With respect to a Person,

(i) any other Person who, directly or indirectly, is in control of, or controlled by, or is under common control with, the Person; or

(ii) any other Person who is a director, officer, or employee (A) of the Person, (B) of any subsidiary or parent company of the Person or (C) of any Person described in clause (i) above.

For the purposes of this definition, control of a Person shall mean the power, direct or indirect:

(A) to vote more than 50% of the securities having ordinary voting power for the election of directors of the Person; or

(B) to direct the corporate management and corporate policies of the Person whether by contract or otherwise (this does not include the Servicing Agreement unless it is amended expressly to provide those services).

For the purpose of this definition, the Administrator and its Affiliates are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Co-Issuers and the Co-Issuers are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Administrator, or any of their Affiliates.

**“Agent Members”**: Members of, or participants in, a Depository.

**“Aggregate Base Fees and Expenses”**: The meaning specified in Section 11.1(b).

**“Aggregate Outstanding Amount”**: When used with respect to any of the Notes as of any date, the aggregate principal amount of such Notes on that date. When used with respect to



the Preference Shares as of any date, means the number of such Preference Shares Outstanding on such date.

Except as otherwise provided herein:

(a) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(b) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(c) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes at any time shall include all Class C Deferred Interest attributed thereto;

(d) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes at any time shall include all Class D Deferred Interest attributed thereto; and

(e) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class E Notes at any time shall include all Class E Deferred Interest attributed thereto.

**“Aggregate Principal Balance”**: When used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Principal Balances of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Principal Balance means the sum of the Principal Balances of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**“Aggregate Purchase Price Amount”**: When used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Purchase Price Amount means the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**“Allocable Principal Balance”**: With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, the portion of the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security that is allocable to each Reference Obligation comprising such index or indices based upon allocating the Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security among such Reference Obligations in the same proportion as each Reference Obligation bears to the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security.

**“Amendment Buy-Out”**: The meaning specified in Section 9.6(a).

**“Amendment Buy-Out Option”**: The meaning specified in Section 9.6(a).

**“Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price”**: The purchase price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Securities purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out, if any, in an amount

equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, *plus* accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the date of purchase payable to the Non-Consenting Holder (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), *plus* any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment, and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since the Closing Date (and any amounts payable, if any, to the Non-Consenting Holder on the next succeeding Payment Date) would cause such Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); *provided, however*, that in any Amendment Buy-Out from and after the date on which the Non-Consenting Holders of Preference Shares have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12%, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price for such Preference Shares shall be zero.

***“Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser”***: The Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Securities from Holders pursuant to Section 9.6, “Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser” shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser or any of their Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; *provided, however*, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

***“Applicable Issuers”*** or ***“Applicable Issuer”***: With respect to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes, each of the Co-Issuers. With respect to the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares, the Issuer only.

***“Applicable Note Interest Rate”***: With respect to the Notes of any Class, the Note Interest Rate with respect to such Class.

***“Applicable Percentage”***: The lesser of the Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation and the S&P Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation and the current S&P Rating of the most senior Class of Notes then Outstanding.

***“Approved Credit Support Document”***: A security agreement in the form of an ISDA Credit Support Annex (ISDA Agreements Subject to New York Law Only), as modified by Paragraph 13 thereto.

***“Approved Pricing Service”***: Loan Pricing Corporation, Mark-It-Partners, Inc. or any other nationally recognized loan pricing service approved in writing by S&P.

***“Ask-Side Market Value”***: As of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any lent Collateral Obligation based upon the Servicer’s commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations which are also Independent from the Servicer or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices could not be obtained, the higher of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading

of such obligations which are also Independent from the Servicer or (iii) if the foregoing set of prices could not be obtained, the ask-side market price obtained by the Servicer from one Independent broker-dealer active in the trading of such obligations which is also Independent from the Servicer or (iv) if the foregoing sets of prices could not be obtained, the average of the ask-side prices for the purchase of such Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer); *provided* that if the Ask-Side Market Value of any lent Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the outstanding principal balance thereof.

**“Assigned Moody’s Rating”**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**“Authenticating Agent”**: With respect to the Notes, the Trustee or the person designated by the Trustee to authenticate the Notes on behalf of the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.15.

**“Authorized Officer”**: With respect to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, any Officer or agent who is authorized to act for the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, in matters relating to, and binding on, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. With respect to the Servicer, any managing member, Officer, manager, employee, partner or agent of the Servicer who is authorized to act for the Servicer in matters relating to, and binding on, the Servicer with respect to the subject matter of the request, certificate, or order in question. With respect to the Trustee or any other bank or trust company acting as trustee of an express trust or as custodian, a Trust Officer. With respect to the Preference Share Paying Agent, the persons constituting Authorized Officers of the Trustee under this Indenture. Each party may receive and accept a certification of the authority of any other party as conclusive evidence of the authority of any Person to act, and the certification may be considered as in full force and effect until receipt by the other party of written notice to the contrary.

**“Average Life”**: As of any Measurement Date with respect to any Collateral Obligation (other than any Defaulted Collateral Obligation), the quotient obtained by *dividing*:

(i) the sum of the products of:

(A) the number of years (rounded to the nearest hundredth) from the Measurement Date to the respective dates of each successive scheduled payment of principal of the Collateral Obligation, and

(B) the respective amounts of the successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation, *by*

(ii) the sum of all successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Bank”**: State Street Bank and Trust Company, in its individual capacity and not as Trustee.

**“Bankruptcy Code”**: The U.S. Bankruptcy Code, Title 11 of the United States Code.

**“Bankruptcy Law”**: The Bankruptcy Code, Part V of the Companies Law (as amended) of the Cayman Islands and the Bankruptcy Law (as amended) of the Cayman Islands.

**“Beneficial Owner”**: Any person owning an interest in a Global Note as reflected on the books of the Depository or on the books of an Agent Member or on the books of an indirect participant for which an Agent Member acts as agent.

**“Benefit Plan Investor”**: The term “benefit plan investor” includes (a) an employee benefit plan (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) that is subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA, (b) a plan as defined in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code, (c) any entity whose underlying assets include “plan assets” by reason of any such employee benefit plan’s or plan’s investment in the entity or (d) as such term is otherwise modified from time to time.

**“Board Resolution”**: With respect to the Issuer, a resolution of the board of directors of the Issuer and, with respect to the Co-Issuer, a resolution of the board of directors of the Co-Issuer.

**“Business Day”**: A day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in New York City and any other city in which the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee is located and, in the case of the final payment of principal of any Note, the place of presentation of the Note designated by the Trustee; *provided, however*, that, for purposes of determining LIBOR, “Business Day” must also be a day on which dealings in deposits in Dollars are transacted in the London interbank market. To the extent action is required of the Irish Listing Agent and the Irish Paying Agent, Dublin, Ireland shall be considered in determining “Business Day” for purposes of determining when actions by the Irish Paying Agent are required.

**“Calculation Agent”**: The meaning specified in Section 7.16.

**“Cash”**: Such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for payment of all public and private debts.

**“CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations”**: The Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have (i) a Moody’s Rating below “B3” and/or (ii) an S&P Rating below “B-”.

**“CCC+/Caa1 Excess Market Value Percentage”**: The percentage equivalent of a fraction, the numerator of which is the aggregate Market Value of CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations (in order of ascending Market Value Percentage, starting with the CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation with the lowest Market Value Percentage) with an aggregate Principal Balance equal to Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations and the denominator of which is an amount equal to the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations.

**“Certificate of Authentication”**: The meaning specified in Section 2.1.

**“Certificated Note”**: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(e).

***“Certificated Security (UCC)”***: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(4) of the UCC.

***“Class”***: All of the Notes having the same priority and the same Stated Maturity and all of the Preference Shares.

***“Class A Notes”***: The Class A Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

***“Class A/B Coverage Tests”***: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes.

***“Class B Notes”***: The Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

***“Class C Coverage Tests”***: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class C Notes.

***“Class C Deferred Interest”***: Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C Notes.

***“Class C Notes”***: The Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

***“Class D Coverage Tests”***: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class D Notes.

***“Class D Deferred Interest”***: Deferred Interest with respect to the Class D Notes.

***“Class D Notes”***: The Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Issuer pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

***“Class E Coverage Tests”***: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class E Notes.

***“Class E Deferred Interest”***: Deferred Interest with respect to the Class E Notes.

***“Class E Notes”***: The Class E Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Issuer pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

***“Class I Preference Shares”***: The Class I Preference Shares issued by the Issuer pursuant to the Issuer’s Memorandum and Articles of Association and the resolutions of the Issuer’s board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

***“Class II Preference Share Portion”***: For any Payment Date, 100% minus the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date.

***“Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment”***: For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Senior Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

***“Class II Preference Share Special Payment”***: Collectively, the Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment, the Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment and the Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment.

***“Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account”***: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(i).

***“Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment”***: For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Subordinated Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

***“Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment”***: For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

***“Class II Preference Shares”***: The Class II Preference Shares issued by the Issuer pursuant to the Issuer’s Memorandum and Articles of Association and the resolutions of the Issuer’s board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

***“Clearing Agency”***: An organization registered as a “clearing agency” pursuant to Section 17A of the Exchange Act.

***“Clearing Corporation”***: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(5) of the UCC.

***“Clearing Corporation Security”***: A “security” (as defined in Section 8-102(a)(15) of the UCC) that (i) is a debt or equity security and (ii) is in the custody of or maintained on the books of a Clearing Corporation or its nominee.

***“Clearstream”***: Clearstream Banking, *société anonyme*, a corporation organized under the laws of the Duchy of Luxembourg.

***“CLO”***: A collateralized loan obligation.

***“Closing Date”***: March 27, 2008.

***“Closing Date Diversity Factor”***: 90%

***“Closing Date Expense Account”***: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(g).

**“Closing Expenses”**: The meaning specified in Section 11.1(a).

**“Co-Issuer”**: The person named as such on the first page of this Indenture.

**“Co-Issuers”**: The Issuer and the Co-Issuer.

**“Code”**: The United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

**“Collateral”**: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**“Collateral Administration Agreement”**: The agreement dated as of the Closing Date among the Issuer, the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**“Collateral Administrator”**: State Street Bank and Trust Company, in its capacity as collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement.

**“Collateral Obligation”**: Any obligation or security that, when the Issuer commits to purchase (or otherwise acquire) the obligation or security, is a Loan, High-Yield Bond, Structured Finance Obligation, or Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that is a Loan, a Structured Finance Obligation or High-Yield Bond that is:

- (1) denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars and is not convertible by its obligor into any other currency;
- (2) an obligation of an obligor Domiciled in an Eligible Country;
- (3) an obligation that is eligible by its terms to be assigned to the Issuer and pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral;
- (4) not an exchangeable or convertible security;
- (5) not an equity security or a component of an equity security or a security that has a component that is an equity security (other than for avoidance of doubt, a pass-through trust certificate in a trust holding Collateral Obligations that is rated by a nationally-recognized credit rating agency);
- (6) not an obligation or security that has been called for redemption and not an obligation or security that is the subject of an Offer other than a Permitted Offer or an exchange offer in which a security that is not registered under the Securities Act is exchanged for (i) a security that has substantially identical terms (except for transfer restrictions) but is registered under the Securities Act or (ii) a security that would otherwise qualify for purchase under Article 12;
- (7) an obligation that (a) has a Moody’s Rating (including any estimated or confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored) and (b) has an S&P Rating (including any confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored), which S&P Rating



does not have a “p”, “pi”, “q”, “r”, “t” or “f” subscript unless S&P otherwise authorizes in writing;

(8) an obligation that is a Finance Lease (if it is a lease) and the Rating Condition with respect to S&P has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;

(9) (a) an obligation that is not a Current-Pay Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation and (b) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that has a Moody’s Rating of “Caal” or lower or an S&P Rating of “CCC+” or lower, an obligation for which the Servicer has certified in writing that such Collateral Obligation is not a Credit Risk Obligation;

(10) an obligation that (unless it is a High-Yield Bond) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness for borrowed money of the applicable issuer; *provided* that for the avoidance of doubt, this clause shall not prohibit the inclusion as Collateral Obligations of Subordinated Lien Loans or Second Lien Loans;

(11) an obligation that (i) (unless it is a PIK Security) bears simple interest payable in cash no less frequently than annually at a fixed or floating rate that is paid on a periodic basis on an unleveraged basis and, in the case of a floating rate, computed on a benchmark interest rate plus or minus a spread, if any (which may vary under the terms of the obligation) and (ii) provides for a fixed amount of principal payable in cash according to a fixed schedule (which may include optional call dates) or at maturity (or a fixed notional amount in the case of Synthetic Securities);

(12) an obligation the payment or repayment of the principal, if any, of which is not an amount determined by reference to any formula or index or subject to any contingency under the terms thereof;

(13) an obligation the portion of which to be acquired (including through a Synthetic Security with respect to the Reference Obligation) does not represent, directly or indirectly, more than a 25% interest in the obligation;

(14) not an obligation with a maturity later than four years after the Stated Maturity of the Notes;

(15) an obligation upon which no payments are subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the obligor thereof or counterparty with respect thereto is required to make “gross-up” payments that fully compensate for such withholding tax on an after-tax basis (other than withholding taxes with respect to commitment fees, facility fees or other similar fees);

(16) not a Loan or Synthetic Security that would require the Issuer after its purchase of the Loan or Synthetic Security to advance any funds to the related borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty or permit the borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty to require that any future advances be made except for:

(A) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the Issuer deposits into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, respectively, the maximum amount of any advances that may be required of the Issuer under the related Underlying Instrument (as provided in Section 10.3(b)), and

(B) any Synthetic Security if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Synthetic Security, the Issuer posts cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) the Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of any future advances;

(17) if such obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation, such obligation:

(A) has been assigned a rating by both Moody's and S&P;

(B) has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" or higher and an S&P Rating of "BBB-" or higher;

(C) has not been placed on the watch list for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P;

(D) not serviced/managed by the Servicer; and

(E) not a middle market CLO (as determined by the Servicer);

(18) not a Loan that is an obligation of a debtor in possession or a trustee for a debtor in an insolvency proceeding other than a DIP Loan;

(19) with respect to an obligation that provides for the payment of interest at a floating rate, an obligation for which such floating rate is determined by reference to the U.S. Dollar prime rate or other base rate, London interbank offered rate or similar interbank offered rate, commercial deposit rate or any other index that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto;

(20) in the case of a Synthetic Security, the Synthetic Security is one for which the counterparty or issuer, as the case may be, has a short-term debt rating by Moody's of at least "P-1" or long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" and, if rated "A3" by Moody's, such rating is not on watch for downgrade, and a short-term debt rating by S&P of at least "A-1+" or, if no short-term rating exists, an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "AA-" and at the time of acquisition the documentation meets S&P's current counterparty criteria with respect to collateral posting and replacement upon downgrade of the counterparty;

(21) not an obligation that constitutes Margin Stock;

(22) not a Zero-Coupon Security;

(23) not an obligation that is currently deferring interest or paying interest “in kind” or otherwise has an interest “in kind” balance outstanding at the time of purchase, which interest is otherwise payable in cash;

(24) not a security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer;

(25) not an obligation the interest payments of which are scheduled to decrease (although interest payments may decrease due to unscheduled events such as a decrease of the index relating to a Floating Rate Obligation, the change from a default rate of interest to a non-default rate of interest or an improvement in the obligor’s financial condition); and

(26) an “eligible asset” as defined under Rule 3a-7 and not an obligation that will cause the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the pool of assets to be required to be registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act.

Pursuant to the definition of “Synthetic Security,” unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any “deliverable obligation” that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any “credit event” must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such “deliverable obligation” is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any “credit event”) as a Collateral Obligation, except that such “deliverable obligation” may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a “credit event.”

**“Collateral Quality Tests”:** The Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Life Test, the Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the S&P CDO Monitor Test.

**“Collection Account”:** The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.2(a).

**“Commitment Amount”:** With respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the maximum aggregate outstanding principal amount (whether then funded or unfunded) of advances or other extensions of credit that the Issuer could be required to make to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments.

**“Commitment Reduction”:** With respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, a permanent reduction (whether scheduled, mandatory, optional, or otherwise) in the related Commitment Amount.

**“Concentration Limitations”:** The limit set forth below with respect to a particular type of Relevant Obligation (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance plus the aggregate outstanding principal amount of any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) as a percentage of the Maximum Amount:

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(1) Senior Secured Loans and Eligible Investments	$\geq 90.0\%$
(2) Senior Unsecured Loans, Subordinated Lien Loans and Second Lien Loans	$\leq 5.0\%$
(3) Revolving Loans and the unfunded portion of Delayed Drawdown Loans	$\leq 12.0\%$
(4) DIP Loans	$\leq 7.5\%$
(5) PIK Securities	$\leq 5.0\%$
(6) High-Yield Bonds	$\leq 5.0\%$
(7) Structured Finance Obligations	$\leq 2.5\%$
(a) except that Structured Finance Obligations serviced by the Servicer may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 0.0\%$
(b) except that Structured Finance Obligations that are middle market CLOs may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 0.0\%$
(c) except that Structured Finance Obligations that are rated either Ba1 or lower or BB+ or lower may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 0.0\%$
(d) except that a single issuer together with any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) of a Structured Finance Obligation may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 1.0\%$
(e) except that Structured Finance Obligations that are CLOs of which greater than 10% of the underlying obligations are backed primarily by other CLOs may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 0.0\%$
(8) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States and Canada	$\leq 20.0\%$
(9) obligors Domiciled in Canada or any single Moody's Group I Country	$\leq 10.0\%$
(10) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group II Country	$\leq 5.0\%$

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(11) obligors Domiciled in all Moody's Group II Countries in the aggregate	≤10.0%
(12) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group III Country	≤2.5%
(13) obligors Domiciled in all Moody's Group III Countries in the aggregate	≤5.0%
(14) obligors organized in any Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction (other than Structured Finance Obligations)	≤3.0%
(15) same S&P Industry Classification	≤10.0%
(a) except that Relevant Obligations belonging to two S&P Industry Classifications may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤12.0%
(16) same Moody's Industry Classification	≤12.0%
(a) except that Relevant Obligations belonging to two Moody's Industry Classifications may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤14.0%
(17) single obligor and any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties)	≤1.5%
(a) except that up to each of five individual obligors and any of their Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties and any obligor under a DIP Loan) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤2.5%
(18) Fixed Rate Obligations	≤5.0%
(19) Pay interest less frequently than quarterly but no less frequently than semi-annually	≤5.0%
(20) Pay interest less frequently than semi-annually but no less frequently than annually	≤3.0%
(21) Synthetic Securities	≤20.0%
(a) except that Synthetic Securities that provide for settlement other than by physical delivery may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤5.0%
(b) except that Synthetic Securities that reference a	≤0.0%

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	
(c) except that Synthetic Securities that reference a single vintage of such index may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤2.0%
(22) Participations including Synthetic Letters of Credit structured as a Participation (provided that no Relevant Obligations may be a Participation in a Participation)	≤10.0%
(23) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, in the aggregate may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤20.0%
(24) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, a single Secondary Risk Counterparty	≤respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under “Individual Counterparty Limit” for applicable rating*
(25) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, all Secondary Risk Counterparties	≤respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under “Aggregate Counterparty Limit” for applicable rating**
(26) Deep Discount Obligations	≤7.5%
(a) except that Collateral Obligations acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 50% of their Principal Balance and which have a public Moody’s rating that is equal to or better than “B2”	≤3.0%

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(and not rated “B2” on watch for downgrade) may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column; <i>provided</i> that:	
(i) no Collateral Obligation of the type set forth in the clause 26(a) may be purchased:	
(a) if on the date of such purchase a Credit Rating Event is in effect;	
(b) if on the date of such purchase the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is not satisfied;	
(c) if on the date of such purchase the Concentration Limitations set forth in clause 27 are not satisfied; or	
(d) if the Class E Coverage Tests are lower than the levels as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date;	
(ii) Collateral Obligations may not exceed, on a cumulative basis, 12% of the Maximum Amount from the Ramp-Up Completion Date up to and including the Stated Maturity, but such cumulative amount will be reset on any Maturity Extension;	
(iii) once such a Collateral Obligation has traded for 30 consecutive days at a Market Value Percentage equal to or greater than 65% it shall no longer be counted as part of the 3.0% limit in clause 26(a) above (for the avoidance of doubt any such Collateral Obligation will count toward the 12% cumulative bucket set forth in clause (a)(iii) above);	
(b) except that no single obligor of a Collateral Obligation of the type specified in clause 26(a) may exceed the percentage of the Maximum Percentage specified in the right column	≤1.0%
(c) except that Collateral Obligations that do not have a public Moody’s rating or have a public Moody’s rating less than “B2” (or rated “B2” on watch for downgrade) may not exceed the percentage of the	≤0.0%



	Maximum Amount specified in the right column	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(d)	except that prior to the Ramp-Up Completion Date Collateral Obligations acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 50% of their Principal Balance (regardless of their rating) may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤0.0%
(27)	CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations	≤5.0%
(28)	Long-Dated Collateral Obligations	≤2.0%
(29)	Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements	≤15.0%
(30)	Collateral Obligations providing for interest at a non-London interbank offered rate (excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, the unfunded amount of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan)	≤5.0%
(31)	Collateral Obligations that are Loans that are part of a credit facility with a total global aggregate commitment amount of less than \$150,000,000	≤10.0%
(32)	Synthetic Letters of Credit	≤5.0%
(33)	Current-Pay Obligations	≤5.0%
(34)	Cov-lite Loans	≤ 10.0%

\* Applicable long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P of such Secondary Risk Counterparty (using the limit for the lower of such ratings if different).

\*\* Long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P at or below a level specified in the Secondary Risk Table (using the lower of such ratings for a Secondary Risk Counterparty, if different).

Subject to the rights in certain circumstances of the Servicer to determine otherwise as set out in Section 1.2(h), solely for the purpose of determining whether the Concentration Limitations are met, Eligible Investments and Cash will be treated as Senior Secured Loans and Floating Rate Obligations.

**“Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares”:** With respect to any Payment Date after the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes has been paid in full, or so long as the Class A Notes are no longer Outstanding, if the Coverage Tests are at the same level as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a Holder of Preference Shares that has consented by delivering an irrevocable written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent to a distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of payment of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds on such Payment Date.

**“Controlling Class”:** The Class A Notes, (voting together as a Class) so long as any Class A Notes are Outstanding; then the Class B Notes (voting together as a Class), so long as

any Class B Notes are Outstanding; then the Class C Notes (voting together as a Class), so long as any Class C Notes are Outstanding; then the Class D Notes (voting together as a Class), so long as any Class D Notes are Outstanding; and then the Class E Notes (voting together as a Class), so long as any Class E Notes are Outstanding.

**“Controlling Person”:** A person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) who has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or any person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to such assets, or any Affiliate of such a person.

**“Corporate Trust Office”:** The corporate trust office of the Trustee at which the Trustee performs its duties under this Indenture, currently having an address of 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code: EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116, telecopy no. (617) 937-0517, Attention: CDO Services Group, or any other address the Trustee designates from time to time by notice to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Issuer and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Trustee.

**“Coverage Tests”:** Collectively, the Class A/B Coverage Tests, the Class C Coverage Tests, the Class D Coverage Tests and the Class E Coverage Tests applicable as of any Measurement Date.

**“Cov-lite Loan”:** A Loan that (i) does not contain any financial covenants or (ii) requires the borrower to comply with an Incurrence Covenant, but does not require the borrower to comply with a Maintenance Covenant.

**“Credit Improved Obligation”:** Any Collateral Obligation that (a) is sold pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange and in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has improved in credit quality or (b) in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has improved in credit quality; *provided* that, in forming such judgment, a reduction in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment; and *provided, further*, that, if a Credit Rating Event is in effect, such Collateral Obligation will be considered a Credit Improved Obligation only if in addition to the above:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been upgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing positive credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under this Indenture;

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced a reduction in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 4.00%, in each

case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer;

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has increased by at least 1.00% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Servicer (provided that this subclause (iii)(x) will be deemed satisfied if Market Value increases to 1.01%), or (y) in the case of a bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more positive than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, plus 3.00%, over the same period; or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation set forth in clauses (i) through (iii) above, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation set forth in clauses (i) through (iii) above for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Improved Obligation if:

- (i) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Improved Obligation; or
- (ii) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Improved Obligation.

**“Credit Rating Event”:** An event that is in effect if the rating by Moody's:

- (i) of the Class A Notes or the Class B Notes has been withdrawn or is one or more rating sub-categories below its Initial Rating; or
- (ii) of the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes has been withdrawn or is two or more rating sub-categories below its respective Initial Rating.

For the purposes of this definition, any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not be effective if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody's has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Class A Notes, or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**“Credit Risk Obligation”:** Any Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has significantly declined in credit quality and has a significant risk, with a lapse of time, of becoming a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; *provided* that in forming such judgment, an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment.

So long as a Credit Rating Event is in effect, no Collateral Obligation shall be eligible to be a Credit Risk Obligation unless in addition to the above, as of the date of determination:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been downgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing negative credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under this Indenture;

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced an increase in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 4.00%, compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer;

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has decreased by at least 2.50% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Servicer, and (y) in the case of a bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more negative, or less positive, as the case may be, than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, less 3.00%, over the same period; or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation set forth in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) above, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation set forth in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) above for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Risk Obligation if:

(i) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Risk Obligation; or

(ii) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Risk Obligation.

**“Current Portfolio”:** At any time, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations, Principal Proceeds held as Cash on deposit in the Collection Account, and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account that exists before the sale, maturity or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or before the acquisition of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**“Current-Pay Obligation”:** A Collateral Obligation as to which:

(i) an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to its obligor or as to which its obligor is rated “D” or “SD” by S&P or its obligor has previously been rated “CCC-” by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;

(ii) no default as to the payment of principal or interest with respect to the Collateral Obligation is then continuing and the Servicer has delivered to the Trustee an Officer’s certificate to the effect that the Servicer expects that the obligor will make payments of interest and principal in Cash on the Collateral Obligation as they become due and is current on such payments;

(iii) (A) if the rating by Moody’s of the Collateral Obligation is at least “Caa1” (and not on credit watch with negative implications) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 80% of its Principal Balance or (B) if the rating by Moody’s of the Collateral Obligation is less than “Caa1” or is “Caa1” and on credit watch with negative implications, the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 85% of its Principal Balance; *provided* that the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation must be at least equal to 80% of its Principal Balance without regard to its rating and not determined in accordance with clause (b) of the definition of Market Value;

(iv) if an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to the obligor of the Collateral Obligation, a bankruptcy court has authorized all payments of principal and interest payable on the Collateral Obligation;

(v) there is a rating of at least “Caa2” by Moody’s (if rated by Moody’s) (provided that if such rating is “Caa2”, such rating must not be on watch for possible downgrade by Moody’s); and

(vi) the Servicer has designated in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligation as a Current-Pay Obligation.

If the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations exceeds 5% of the Maximum Amount, all or a portion of one or more Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance equal to the amount of the excess shall not be Current-Pay Obligations (and will therefore be Defaulted Collateral Obligations). The Servicer shall designate in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligations that shall not be Current-Pay Obligations pursuant to the preceding sentence as the Collateral Obligations (or portions thereof) that have the lowest Market Value on any applicable date of determination.

The Servicer may, with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, by notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator, change the definition of “Current-Pay Obligation” or how Current-Pay Obligations are treated in this Indenture, subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency.

**“Custodial Account”:** The custodial account established in the name of the Trustee pursuant to Section 10.3(a).

**“Custodian”**: The meaning specified in the first sentence of Section 3.2(a) with respect to items of collateral referred to therein, and each entity with which an Account is maintained, as the context may require, each of which shall be a Securities Intermediary.

**“Deep Discount Obligation”**: Until the Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation (other than a Structured Finance Obligation), as determined daily for any period of 30 consecutive days, equals or exceeds 90%, any Collateral Obligation acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 85% of its Principal Balance or any Collateral Obligation acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 85% but greater than or equal to 80% of its Principal Balance and which has a public Moody’s Rating that is equal to or better than “B3” (and not rated “B3” on watch for downgrade). Until the Market Value Percentage of a Structured Finance Obligation, as determined daily for any period of 60 consecutive days, equals or exceeds 85%, any Structured Finance Obligation acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 75% of its Principal Balance. For such purpose, the Market Value Percentage of a Collateral Obligation on a day that is not a Business Day shall be deemed to be the Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation on the immediately preceding Business Day.

**“Default”**: Any Event of Default or any occurrence that, with notice or the lapse of time or both, would become an Event of Default.

**“Default Interest Rate”**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes, the *per annum* interest rate equal to the Note Interest Rate payable on the Notes of the Class.

**“Defaulted Collateral Obligation”**: Any Collateral Obligation or other obligation included in the Collateral:

(i) as to which there has occurred and is continuing a default with respect to the payment of principal or interest (including the non-payment of any PIK Cash-Pay Interest) without giving effect to any applicable grace or waiver period (*provided* that if the Servicer certifies to the Trustee in writing that such default is for non-credit related reasons, the related Collateral Obligation shall not be treated as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under this clause (i) unless and until such default has continued for a period of three (3) consecutive Business Days), unless in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;

(ii) the maturity of all or a portion of the principal amount of such Collateral Obligation has been accelerated as a consequence of a default (other than any payment default) under the instruments evidencing or relating to such Collateral Obligation; unless such default or event of default has been fully cured and is no longer continuing and such acceleration has been rescinded;

(iii) with respect to which there has been effected any distressed exchange or other debt restructuring where the obligor has offered the holders thereof a new security or instrument or package of securities or instruments that, in the commercially reasonable

judgment of the Servicer, either (x) amounts to a diminished financial obligation or (y) has the sole purpose of enabling the obligor to avoid a default;

(iv) (1) that is *pari passu* with or subordinated to other indebtedness for borrowed money owing by its obligor (“**Other Indebtedness**”), (2) the obligor has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (without regard to any applicable grace or notice period and without regard to any waiver of the default) on the Other Indebtedness, unless, in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid on the Other Indebtedness and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation and (3) the Servicer, provided that the related Collateral Obligation has not been downgraded after the default on such Other Indebtedness has occurred, determines (in its commercially reasonable judgment) that such Other Indebtedness is material;

(v) (other than a Current-Pay Obligation or a DIP Loan) as to which:

(A) an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to its obligor;

(B) the obligation is rated “D”, “SD”, “C” or “CC” by S&P or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn, or has previously been rated “CCC-” or lower by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn; or

(C) the obligor is assigned a probability of default rating of “D” by Moody’s;

(vi) if the Collateral Obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation, it is rated “CC” or below by S&P, or it was rated “CC” or below by S&P but the rating has since been withdrawn, or it is rated “Ca” or below by Moody’s, or it was rated “C” or below by Moody’s but the rating has since been withdrawn;

(vii) that is a Participation that would, if the underlying Loan were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (v) above or with respect to which the Participating Institution has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Participation;

(viii) that is a Synthetic Security referencing a Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above or with respect to which the Synthetic Security Counterparty has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Synthetic Security; *provided, however*, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time: (x) a determination whether the Reference Obligations upon which such Synthetic Security is based would, if such Reference Obligations were Collateral Obligations, be a Defaulted Collateral



Obligation, shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each of the Reference Obligations on which such Synthetic Security is based in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation and (y) the “Defaulted Collateral Obligation” for purposes of this clause (viii) shall be limited to the Allocable Principal Balance of each Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above;

(ix) that is a Written-Down Obligation;

(x) that is a DIP Loan as to which an order has been entered converting the debtor’s chapter 11 case to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code; or

(xi) that is declared to be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation by the Servicer.

Any Collateral Obligation that is classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall cease to be so classified if the Collateral Obligation, at any date thereafter,

(1) would not otherwise be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this definition; and

(2) otherwise meets the Eligibility Criteria as of that date.

If any portion of a Collateral Obligation has a maturity later than one year after the Stated Maturity of the Notes due to a change in the payment schedule of the Collateral Obligation occurring after its acquisition by the Issuer, that portion of the Collateral Obligation shall be considered a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**“Defaulted Hedge Termination Payment”:** Any termination payment required to be made by the Issuer to a Hedge Counterparty pursuant to a Hedge Agreement upon a termination of the Hedge Agreement in respect of which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**“Defaulted Interest”:** Any interest payable in respect of any Class of Notes that is not punctually paid or duly provided for on the applicable Payment Date or at Stated Maturity.

**“Defaulted Interest Charge”:** To the extent lawful, interest on any Defaulted Interest at the Default Interest Rate.

**“Defaulted Synthetic Security Termination Payments”:** Any termination payment required to be made by the Issuer to a Synthetic Security Counterparty pursuant to a Synthetic Security upon the occurrence of any “event of default” or “termination event” (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security) under such Synthetic Security as to which such Synthetic Security Counterparty is the Defaulting Party or the sole Affected Party (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security).

**“Deferred Interest”:** With respect to any specified Class of Deferred Interest Notes, the meaning specified in Section 2.8(a).

**“Deferred Interest Notes”**: The Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**“Definitive Notes”**: The meaning specified in Section 2.11(b).

**“Delayed Drawdown Loan”**: A Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that:

- (i) requires the Issuer to make one or more future advances to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments;
- (ii) specifies a maximum amount that can be borrowed on one or more fixed borrowing dates; and
- (iii) does not permit the re-borrowing of any amount previously repaid.

A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Delayed Drawdown Loan for so long as its unused commitment amount is greater than zero and for purposes of the Concentration Limitations only unfunded portions will count as Delayed Drawdown Loans.

**“Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account”**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(b).

**“Deliver” or “Delivered” or “Delivery”**: The taking of the following steps:

- (i) in the case of each Certificated Security (other than a Clearing Corporation Security) or Instrument,
  - (A) causing the delivery to the Custodian of the original executed certificate or other writing that constitutes or evidences such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument, registered in the name of the Custodian or endorsed, by an effective endorsement, to the Custodian in blank (unless such Certificated Security or Instrument is in bearer form in which case delivery alone shall suffice),
  - (B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument is credited to the applicable Account, and
  - (C) causing the Custodian to maintain continuous possession of such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument;
- (ii) in the case of each Uncertificated Security (other than a Clearing Corporation Security),
  - (A) causing such Uncertificated Security to be continuously registered on the books of the issuer thereof to the Custodian, and

(B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Uncertificated Security is credited to the applicable Account;

(iii) in the case of each Clearing Corporation Security,

(A) causing the relevant Clearing Corporation to continuously credit such Clearing Corporation Security to the securities account of the Custodian at such Clearing Corporation, and

(B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Clearing Corporation Security is credited to the applicable Account;

(iv) in the case of any Financial Asset that is maintained in book-entry form on the records of a Federal Reserve Bank ("**FRB**"),

(A) causing the continuous crediting of such Financial Asset to a securities account of the Custodian at any FRB, and

(B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Financial Asset is credited to the applicable Account;

(v) in the case of each Financial Asset not covered by the foregoing subclauses (i) through (iv) and (vi),

(A) causing the transfer of such Financial Asset to the Custodian in accordance with applicable law and regulation, and

(B) causing the Custodian to continuously credit such Financial Asset to the applicable Account; and

(vi) in the case of cash or money,

(A) causing the delivery of such cash or money to the Custodian,

(B) causing the Custodian to treat such cash or money as a Financial Asset maintained by such Custodian for credit to the applicable Account in accordance with the provisions of Article 8 of the UCC, and

(C) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such cash or money is credited to the applicable Account;

(vii) in the case of each general intangible (including any Participation in which the Participation is not represented by an Instrument or Certificated Security), by:

(1) either

(A) causing the filing of a Financing Statement in the office of the Recorder of Deeds in the District of Columbia, Washington, DC, within 10 days after the Closing Date, or

(B) (1) causing the Custodian to become and remain the owner thereof, (2) causing the Custodian to credit and continuously identify such general intangible to the relevant Issuer Account, (3) causing the Custodian to agree to treat such general intangible as a Financial Asset and (4) causing the Custodian to agree pursuant to the Securities Account Control Agreement to comply with Entitlement Orders related thereto originated by the Trustee without further consent by the Issuer; and

(2) causing the registration of this Indenture in the Register of Mortgages of the Issuer at the Issuer's registered office in the Cayman Islands;

in addition, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will obtain any and all consents required by the underlying agreements relating to any such general intangibles for the transfer of ownership to the Issuer and the pledge hereunder (except to the extent that the requirement for such consent is rendered ineffective under Section 9-406 of the UCC).

In addition to the methods specified above, any Collateral may be delivered in accordance with any other method specified in an Opinion of Counsel delivered to the Trustee as sufficient to establish a first priority perfected security (subject to customary exceptions and qualifications) interest therein.

**“Depository” or “DTC”:** The Depository Trust Company and its nominees.

**“Determination Date”:** The last day of any Due Period.

**“DIP Loan”:** Any Loan:

(i) that has a rating assigned by Moody's (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by Moody's, the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by Moody's within five Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer) and a rating assigned by S&P (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by S&P, the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P within two Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer);

(ii) that is an obligation of a debtor in possession as described in Section 1107 of the Bankruptcy Code or a trustee (if appointment of a trustee has been ordered pursuant to Section 1104 of the Bankruptcy Code) (a **“Debtor”**) organized under the laws of the United States or any state of the United States; and

(iii) the terms of which have been approved by a final order of the United States Bankruptcy Court, United States District Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, the enforceability of which order is not subject to any pending contested

matter or proceeding (as those terms are defined in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure) and which order provides that:

(A) the Loan is secured by liens on the Debtor's otherwise unencumbered assets pursuant to Section 364(c)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code;

(B) the Loan is secured by liens of equal or senior priority on property of the Debtor's estate that is otherwise subject to a lien pursuant to Section 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code;

(C) the Loan is fully secured (based on a current valuation or appraisal report) by junior liens on the Debtor's encumbered assets; or

(D) if any portion of the Loan is unsecured, the repayment of the Loan retains priority over all other administrative expenses pursuant to Section 364(c)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code (and in the case of this clause (D), before the acquisition of the Loan, the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency).

**"Diversity Score"**: A single number that indicates collateral concentration in terms of both issuer and industry concentration, calculated as set forth in Schedule 4 to this Indenture.

**"Diversity Test"**: A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Diversity Score equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score and, with respect to the Interim Target Date, will be satisfied if the Diversity Score equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score multiplied by the Interim Diversity Factor and, with respect to the Closing Date, will be satisfied if the Diversity Score equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score multiplied by the Closing Date Diversity Factor. For purposes of calculating the Diversity Test, any Structured Finance Obligation that is (i) a collateralized loan obligation (including any collateralized loan obligation primarily backed by other collateralized loan obligations), (ii) a Synthetic Security with respect to which the Reference Obligation is a collateralized loan obligation or (iii) a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, will be disregarded.

**"Dollar"** or **"U.S. Dollar"** or **"U.S.\$"**: A dollar or other equivalent unit in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for all debts, public and private.

**"Domicile"** or **"Domiciled"**: With respect to each Collateral Obligation, either (i) the jurisdiction of incorporation, organization or creation of the related obligor or (ii) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with an obligor organized, incorporated or created in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction, the jurisdiction in which, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the related obligor conducts substantially all of its business operations and in which the assets primarily responsible for generating its revenues are located.

**“Due Date”:** Each date on which any payment is due on a Pledged Obligation in accordance with its terms.

**“Due Period”:** With respect to any Payment Date, for all purposes other than payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements, the period from the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date, from the Closing Date) up to but excluding the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the Payment Date (or in the case of the final Payment Date or any Payment Date that is a Redemption Date, through the Business Day before the Payment Date and for payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements the period from the day after the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date from the Closing Date) through the Payment Date).

**“Eligibility Criteria”:** The meaning specified in Section 12.2(b).

**“Eligible Collateral”:** (i) Cash, (ii) U.S. Treasury obligations, (iii) U.S. agency obligations or (iv) commercial paper obligations rated at least “P-1” by Moody’s (and not on watch for downgrade) and “A-1+” by S&P, in each case to collateralize fully on a mark-to-market basis the obligations of a Hedge Counterparty under the related Hedge Agreement; *provided* in each case to collateralize fully in accordance with S&P’s current published counterparty criteria (as determined by the Servicer).

**“Eligible Country”:** The United States, Canada and any country classified by Moody’s as a Moody’s Group I Country, Moody’s Group II Country or Moody’s Group III Country and, in each case, has an S&P foreign currency rating of at least “AA” and a Moody’s foreign currency rating of at least “Aa2”.

**“Eligible Equity Security”:** An equity security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation by, or on behalf of, the Issuer that (i) is publicly traded on an Established Securities Market or (ii) the Market Value of which is higher than the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation with respect to which such equity security has been acquired by the Issuer (for the avoidance of doubt, the Principal Balance of any Eligible Equity Security shall be zero for purposes of determining the Overcollateralization Test).

**“Eligible Investments”:** Any Dollar-denominated obligation or asset that, when it is pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee under this Indenture, is one or more of the following:

- (a) Cash;
- (b) direct Registered obligations of, and Registered obligations the timely payment of principal and interest on which is fully and expressly guaranteed by, the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States the obligations of which are expressly backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, which in each case are not zero coupon securities;
- (c) demand and time deposits in, trust accounts, certificates of deposit payable within 91 days of issuance of, bankers’ acceptances payable within 91 days of issuance issued by, or Federal funds sold by any depository institution or trust company incorporated under the laws of the United States or any state thereof and subject to supervision and examination by Federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or the debt obligations of

such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company), at the time of such acquisition or contractual commitment providing for such acquisition and throughout the term thereof, have a credit rating of not less than “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade, or “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by S&P in the case of commercial paper and short-term debt obligations; *provided* that in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than “AA-” by S&P and “Aa3” by Moody’s and a short-term rating of “A-1+” by S&P and “P-1” by Moody’s, and if so rated, is not on watch for downgrade;

(d) commercial paper or other short-term obligations with a maturity which, even after giving effect to any extendibility feature thereof, does not exceed 183 days from the date of issuance and having at the time of such acquisition a credit rating of at least “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by S&P; *provided* that, in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than “Aa2” by Moody’s and “AA-” by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(e) unleveraged repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clause (b) above entered into with a U.S. federal or state depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (c) above or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose long-term credit rating is not less than “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade or whose short-term credit rating is “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by S&P at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof; *provided* that, if such repurchase obligation has a maturity of longer than 91 days, the counterparty thereto must also have at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof a long-term credit rating of not less than “Aa2” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(f) any money market funds (including any fund for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee serves as an investment adviser, administrator, shareholder servicing agent, custodian or subcustodian, notwithstanding that (A) the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses from such funds for services rendered (*provided* that such charges, fees and expenses are on terms consistent with terms negotiated at arm’s length) and (B) the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses for services rendered, pursuant to this Indenture) (i) which funds have at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof a credit rating of “Aaa” and “MR1+” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P, respectively (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or (ii) that are registered as money market funds under Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act and have a credit rating of “Aaa” from Moody’s and “AAAm” or “AAAmG” from S&P (and not on credit watch with negative implications);

(g) a guaranteed reinvestment agreement from a bank (if treated as a deposit by such bank), insurance company or other corporation or entity organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (if treated as debt by such insurance company or other corporation or entity), providing for periodic payments thereunder during each Due Period; *provided* that each such agreement provides that it is terminable by the purchaser, without premium or penalty, in the event that the rating assigned to such agreement by either Moody’s or S&P is at any time lower than the then current ratings assigned to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C



Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes; *provided, further*, that, at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof, the issuer of such agreement has a senior unsecured long-term debt rating, issuer rating or counterparty rating of at least “Aaa” by Moody’s, a short-term debt rating of “P-1” by Moody’s (and not on watch for downgrade), a short-term debt rating of at least “A-1+” by S&P and a long-term debt rating of at least “AAA” by S&P (and not on watch for downgrade); and

(h) such other obligations or assets for which Rating Confirmation has been received;

and, in each case, with a stated maturity (giving effect to any applicable grace period) that is the earlier of (i) 60 days from acquisition and (ii) the Business Day before the Payment Date next succeeding the date of acquisition.

Eligible Investments on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account must have a stated maturity no later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase.

Eligible Investments may not include:

(1) any interest-only security, any security purchased at a price in excess of 100% of its par value, any mortgage-backed security or any security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer;

(2) any security whose rating assigned by S&P includes the subscript “r”, “t”, “p”, “pi”, “q” or “f”;

(3) any floating rate security whose interest rate is inversely or otherwise not proportionately related to an interest rate index or is calculated as other than the sum of an interest rate index plus a spread (which spread may be zero);

(4) any security that is subject to an exchange or tender offer; or

(5) any security that has payments subject to foreign or United States withholding tax.

Eligible Investments may include Eligible Investments for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee is the issuer or depository institution or provides services. Eligible Investments may not include obligations principally secured by real property.

**“Emerging Market Security”:** A security or obligation issued by a sovereign or non-sovereign issuer located in a country (excluding the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Netherlands Antilles, and the Channel Islands):

(i) that is in Latin America, Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, or the Caribbean;  
or

(ii) the long-term foreign currency debt obligations of which are rated below “Aa2” or “Aa2” and on credit watch with negative implications by Moody’s or the foreign currency issuer credit rating of which is below “AA” by S&P.

**“Entitlement Order”**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(8) of the UCC.

**“ERISA”**: The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended.

**“Established Securities Market”**: Any national securities exchange registered under Section 6 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or exempted from registration because of the limited volume of transaction; any foreign securities exchange that, under the laws of the jurisdiction where it is organized, satisfies regulatory requirements that are analogous to the regulatory requirements imposed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; any regional or local exchange; and any interdealer quotation system that regularly disseminates firm buy or sell quotations by identified brokers or dealers, by electronic means or otherwise.

**“Euroclear”**: Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear system.

**“Event of Default”**: The meaning specified in Section 5.1.

**“Excel Default Model Input File”**: An electronic spreadsheet file in Microsoft excel format to be provided to S&P, which file shall include the balance of Cash and Eligible Investments in each account and the following information (to the extent such information is not confidential) with respect to each Collateral Obligation or Reference Obligation in the case of a Synthetic Security:

(a) the name and country of domicile of the issuer thereof and the particular obligation or security held by the Issuer,

(b) the CUSIP or other applicable identification number associated with such Collateral Obligation,

(c) the par value of such Collateral Obligation,

(d) the type of obligation or security (including, by way of example, whether such Collateral Obligation is a bond, loan, Cov-lite Loan or asset-backed security), using such abbreviations as may be selected by the Trustee,

(e) a description of the index or other applicable benchmark upon which the interest payable on such Collateral Obligation is based (including, by way of example, fixed rate, step-up rate, zero coupon and LIBOR),

(f) the coupon (in the case of a Collateral Obligation which bears interest at a fixed rate) or the spread over the applicable index (in the case of a Collateral Obligation which bears interest at a floating rate),

(g) the S&P Industry Classification for such Collateral Obligation,

- (h) the stated maturity date of such Collateral Obligation,
- (i) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation or the issuer thereof, as applicable,
- (j) the applicable S&P Recovery Rate, and
- (k) such other information as the Trustee may determine to include in such file.

***“Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations”***: The Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations in excess of 7.5% of the Maximum Amount on the relevant Determination Date.

***“Exchange Act”***: The United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

***“Excluded Property”***: (i) U.S.\$250 (attributable to the issue and allotment of the Issuer Ordinary Shares) and a U.S.\$250 transaction fee paid to the Issuer, the bank account in which those amounts are credited in the Cayman Islands and any interest earned on those amounts, (ii) any amounts credited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account and the Preference Shares Distribution Account from time to time and (iii) any Margin Stock.

***“Expense Reimbursement Account”***: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(c).

***“Extended Replacement Period End Date”***: If an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Replacement Period End Date (or, in the case of the first Extension pursuant to Section 2.4, the Payment Date in May 2018); *provided* that the “Extended Replacement Period End Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in May 2030.

***“Extended Stated Maturity Date”***: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Stated Maturity Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Payment Date in November 2022); *provided* that the “Extended Stated Maturity Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November 2034.

***“Extended Weighted Average Life Date”***: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Weighted Average Life Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Weighted Average Life Date, May 2022); *provided* that the “Extended Weighted Average Life Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in May 2034.

***“Extension”***: An extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test pursuant to Section 2.4.

***“Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification”***: With respect to each Maturity Extension and each beneficial owner of Notes other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such beneficial owner acceptable to the Issuer to the effect that it held Notes other than Extension Sale Securities on the applicable Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate

Outstanding Amount thereof in the case of the Notes and wire transfer instructions for the Extension Bonus Payment and any required documentation thereunder.

***“Extension Bonus Payment”***: With respect to each Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable beneficial owner set forth in Section 2.4(g), in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Class A Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class B Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (3) in the case of the Class C Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (4) in the case of the Class D Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date and (5) in the case of the Class E Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

***“Extension Conditions”***: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

***“Extension Determination Date”***: The 8th Business Day prior to each Extension Effective Date.

***“Extension Effective Date”***: If an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extension Effective Date (or, in the case of the first Extension Effective Date, the Payment Date in May 2012).

***“Extension Notice”***: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

***“Extension Purchase Price”***: The purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with each Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the applicable Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since the Closing Date would cause such Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); *provided, however*, that if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12%, the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Preference Shares shall be zero.

***“Extension Qualifying Purchasers”***: The Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Extension Sale Securities from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.4(c), “Extension Qualifying Purchasers” shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; *provided, however*, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

***“Extension Sale Notice”***: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

***“Extension Sale Notice Period”***: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

***“Extension Sale Securities”***: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

***“Face Amount”***: With respect to any Preference Share, the amount set forth therein as the “face amount” thereof, which “face amount” shall be \$1,000 per Preference Share.

***“Finance Lease”***: A lease agreement or other agreement entered into in connection with and evidencing a Leasing Finance Transaction; *provided* that such Finance Lease shall have a rating by Moody’s.

***“Financial Asset”***: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(9) of the UCC.

***“Financing Statements”***: Financing statements relating to the Collateral naming the Issuer as debtor and the Trustee on behalf of the Secured Parties as secured party.

***“Fixed Rate Excess”***: As of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose numerator is the product of:

(i) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date over the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test; and

(ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date,

and whose denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Fixed Rate Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Spread Excess were equal to zero.

***“Fixed Rate Obligation”***: Any Collateral Obligation that bears interest at a fixed rate.

***“Floating Rate Notes”***: The Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

***“Floating Rate Obligation”***: Any Collateral Obligation that bears interest based on a floating rate index.

***“Form-Approved Synthetic Security”***: A Synthetic Security:

(i) (A) the Reference Obligation of which satisfies the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and could be purchased by the Issuer without any required action

by the Rating Agencies, without satisfaction of the Rating Condition or which the Rating Agencies have otherwise approved; or

(B) the Reference Obligation of which would satisfy clause (A) above but for the currency in which the Reference Obligation is payable and the Synthetic Security is payable in Dollars, does not provide for physical settlement, and does not expose the Issuer to Dollar currency risk;

(ii) the Synthetic Security Agreement of which conforms (but for the amount and timing of periodic payments, the name of the Reference Obligation, the notional amount, the effective date, the termination date, and other similar necessary changes) to a form that has been expressly identified and approved in writing in connection with a request under this Indenture by Moody's and S&P;

(iii) a copy of the Synthetic Security Agreement of which has been delivered to the Holders of the Class A Notes by the Trustee at the expense of the Co-Issuers and upon being furnished with a copy of the same by the Servicer; and

(iv) that is with a counterparty with respect to which the Rating Condition has been satisfied by each of Moody's and S&P prior to the acquisition of any such Form-Approved Synthetic Security, and such approval has not been withdrawn.

Moody's or S&P may at any time, by notice to the Servicer, withdraw its approval of any such form. A withdrawal of approval shall have no effect on any Synthetic Security acquired, entered into, or committed to before the date on which the Servicer receives the notice of withdrawal. For the avoidance of doubt, no form of Synthetic Security Agreement approved by S&P will be in place as of the Closing Date.

**"Funded Amount"**: With respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan at any time, the aggregate principal amount of advances or other extensions of credit made thereunder by the Issuer that are outstanding and have not been repaid at such time.

**"GAAP"**: The meaning specified in Section 6.3(j).

**"Global Notes"**: Any Regulation S Global Notes or Rule 144A Global Notes.

**"Grant"**: To grant, bargain, sell, warrant, alienate, remise, demise, release, convey, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge, create, and grant a security interest in and right of setoff against, deposit, set over, and confirm. A Grant of the Pledged Obligations, or of any other instrument, shall include all rights, powers, and options of the granting party thereunder, including the immediate continuing right to claim for, collect, receive, and receipt for principal and interest payments in respect of the Pledged Obligations, and all other monies payable thereunder, to give and receive notices and other communications, to make waivers or other agreements, to exercise all rights and options, to bring Proceedings in the name of the granting party or otherwise, and generally to do and receive anything that the granting party is or may be entitled to do or receive thereunder or with respect thereto.

**“Hedge Agreements”**: Collectively, all interest rate cap or interest rate swap agreements between the Issuer and any Hedge Counterparty, and any replacement agreement entered into pursuant to Section 15.2.

**“Hedge Counterparty”**: Any counterparty, to the extent that when the Issuer enters into any Hedge Agreement with such counterparty, such counterparty satisfies the requirements of Section 15.2(b) (subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency).

**“Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account”**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(d).

**“Hedge Termination Receipt”**: Any termination payment paid by the Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer upon any early termination of a Hedge Agreement with respect to which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**“HFP”**: Highland Financial Partners, L.P. (an Affiliate of the Servicer).

**“High-Yield Bond”**: Any debt security, other than a Loan or a Structured Finance Obligation, that is either Registered or, if not Registered, (i) it is issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States, (ii) the payments on it are not subject to United States withholding tax and (iii) it is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**“Holder”**: Of any Note, the person whose name appears on the Indenture Register as the registered holder of the Note; and of any Preference Share, the person whose name appears in the share register of the Issuer related thereto as the registered holder of such Preference Share.

**“Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice”**: A notice substantially in the form of Exhibit H-2.

**“Incurrence Covenant”**: A covenant by the borrower to comply with one or more financial covenants only upon the occurrence of certain actions of the borrower including, but not limited to, a debt issuance, dividend payment, share purchase, merger, acquisition or divestiture.

**“Indenture”**: This instrument as originally executed and, if from time to time supplemented or amended by one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture entered into pursuant to this Indenture, as so supplemented or amended.

**“Indenture Register”**: The meaning specified in Section 2.6(a).

**“Indenture Registrar”**: The meaning specified in Section 2.6(a).

**“Independent”**: As to any person, any other person (including, in the case of an accountant or lawyer, a firm of accountants or lawyers, and any member of the firm, or an investment bank and any member of the bank) who



(i) does not have and is not committed to acquire any material direct or any material indirect financial interest in the person or in any Affiliate of the person, and

(ii) is not connected with the person as an Officer, employee, promoter, underwriter, voting trustee, partner, director, or person performing similar functions.

“Independent” when used with respect to any accountant may include an accountant who audits the books of the person if in addition to satisfying the criteria above the accountant is independent with respect to the person within the meaning of Rule 101 of the Code of Ethics of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

Whenever any Independent person’s opinion or certificate is to be furnished to the Trustee, the opinion or certificate shall state that the signer has read this definition and that the signer is Independent within the meaning of this Indenture.

“**Initial Consent Period**”: The period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee mailed notice of a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2(c) to the Holders of Securities.

“**Initial Purchaser**”: Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated.

“**Initial Rating**”: The ratings by Moody’s and S&P with respect to each Class of Notes provided in the table in Section 2.3(a).

“**Insolvency Event**”: With respect to any person, means that:

(i) an involuntary proceeding shall be commenced or an involuntary petition shall be filed seeking:

(A) liquidation, reorganization, or other relief in respect of the person or its debts, or of all or substantially all of its assets, under any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar law now or hereafter in effect, or

(B) the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, conservator, or similar official for the person or for all or substantially all of its assets,

and, in any such case, the proceeding or petition shall continue undismissed for 30 days; or an order or decree approving or ordering any of the foregoing shall be entered, or

(ii) the person shall:

(A) voluntarily commence any proceeding or file any petition seeking liquidation, reorganization, or other relief under any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar law now or hereafter in effect,

(B) consent to the institution of, or fail to contest in a timely and appropriate manner, any proceeding or petition described in clause (i) above,

(C) apply for or consent to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, or conservator or for all or substantially all of its assets,

(D) file an answer admitting the material allegations of a petition filed against it in any such proceeding, or

(E) make a general assignment for the benefit of creditors.

**“Institutional Accredited Investor”**: An institutional accredit investor as defined in clause (1), (2), (3) or (7) of Rule 501(a) under Regulation D under the Securities Act.

**“Instrument”**: The meaning specified in Section 9-102(a)(47) of the UCC.

**“Interest Coverage Ratio”**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by *dividing*:

(i) the sum of:

(A) the Interest Proceeds received or scheduled to be received with respect to the Due Period in which the Measurement Date occurs, *minus*

(B) Aggregate Base Fees and Expenses on the related Payment Date, *by*:

(ii) all accrued and unpaid interest on such Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it (excluding any Deferred Interest on the Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it) on the related Payment Date; *provided* that the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes shall constitute one Class of Notes for purposes of the Interest Coverage Ratio relating to such Classes of Notes.

For purposes of the Interest Coverage Ratio, only the amount of any interest payment (including any “gross up” payment) on any Collateral Obligation in excess of any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction on any date of determination shall be included in Interest Proceeds.

**“Interest Coverage Test”**: A test the first Measurement Date for which will be on the second Payment Date and that is satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level in the table below for the specified Class:

<u>Test</u>	<u>Required Level</u>
Class A/B Interest Coverage Test	125.00 %
Class C Interest Coverage Test	115.00 %
Class D Interest Coverage Test	110.00 %
Class E Interest Coverage Test	105.00 %

***“Interest Diversion Ratio”***: As of any Measurement Date, the ratio obtained by *dividing*:

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator *by*
- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes (including any Deferred Interest on any Class of Notes).

***“Interest Diversion Test”***: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Interest Diversion Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 106.00%.

***“Interest Period”***: Initially, the period from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the first Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date.

***“Interest Proceeds”***: With respect to any Due Period, the sum (without duplication) of all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period (or as otherwise specified below) by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are:

- (i) payments of interest, fees, and commissions (excluding (A) Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal, (B) interest and dividends on Workout Assets, (C) fees and commissions from Defaulted Collateral Obligations, and (D) syndication and other up-front fees and any up-front fixed payments received in connection with entering into a Synthetic Security);
- (ii) any portion of the Sale Proceeds of a Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) representing Accrued Interest On Sale;
- (iii) all payments of principal on, or disposition proceeds from the sale of, Eligible Investments to the extent purchased with Interest Proceeds;
- (iv) payments with respect to the Hedge Agreements received on or before the related Payment Date (other than any amount payable thereunder because of any early termination or notional amount reduction), but not any Sale Proceeds from any of these instruments (except to the extent that they were purchased with Interest Proceeds);
- (v) all fees received pursuant to any Securities Lending Agreements;
- (vi) amounts in the Collection Account designated for distribution as Interest Proceeds pursuant to the Priority of Payments;
- (vii) all earnings on amounts in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account and the Revolving Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.3(b);

(viii) amounts in the Expense Reimbursement Account on the Payment Date for the relevant Due Period; and

(ix) any recoveries (including interest) received on a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation in excess of the principal balance of such Non-Performing Collateral Obligation (as of the date the related Collateral Obligation became a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation and excluding from such principal balance any deferred interest on Non-Performing Collateral Obligations that are PIK Securities).

Interest Proceeds shall not include the Excluded Property and Interest Proceeds shall not include earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

Each reference in the definition of “Interest Proceeds” to a Collateral Obligation shall include a Collateral Obligation that has been loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and Interest Proceeds shall include any amounts referred to in clauses (i) through (iii) above received by the Issuer in respect of the Collateral Obligation indirectly from the related Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement.

With respect to any Payment Date after the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes has been paid in full, or so long as the Class A Notes are no longer Outstanding, if the Coverage Tests are at the same level as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Interest Proceeds due and payable on such Payment Date to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date that are distributed to such Holders by way of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of Cash pursuant to Sections 11.1(b) and (c)(i) will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds.

**“Interest Reserve Account”**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(j) hereof.

**“Interest Reserve Amount”**: U.S. \$2,000,000.

**“Interim Diversity Factor”**: 95%.

**“Interim Target Date”**: May 27, 2008.

**“Interim Target Test”**: A test that will be satisfied on the Interim Target Date if (i) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all items of Collateral Obligation which the Issuer has purchased or has entered into binding commitments to purchase is at least \$484,500,000, and (ii) the following tests are satisfied: (A) the Diversity Test, (B) the Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test, (C) the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, (D) the Weighted Average Spread Test and (E) the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test.

**“Interim Targets”**: The meaning specified in Section 7.19(h).

**“Interim Target Failure”**: The meaning specified in Section 7.19(h).

***“Investment Company Act”***: The United States Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

***“Insurer”***: The meaning specified in Section 14.3.

***“Irish Listing Agent”***: Dillon Eustace.

***“Irish Paying Agent”***: The meaning specified in Section 7.2.

***“ISE”***: The Irish Stock Exchange.

***“Issuer”***: The Person named as such on the first page of this Indenture.

***“Issuer Accounts”***: The meaning assigned in the Granting Clauses.

***“Issuer Order”*** and ***“Issuer Request”***: A written order or request dated and signed in the name of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, or by the Servicer by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

***“Issuer Ordinary Shares”***: The ordinary shares, par value \$1.00 per share, of the Issuer which have been issued by the Issuer and are outstanding from time to time.

***“Junior Class”***: With respect to a particular Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that is subordinated to that Class, as indicated in Section 13.1.

***“Leasing Finance Transaction”***: Any transaction pursuant to which the obligations of the lessee to pay rent or other amounts on a triple net basis under any lease of (or other arrangement conveying the right to use) real or personal property, or a combination thereof, are required to be classified and accounted for as a capital lease on a balance sheet of such lessee under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America; but only if (a) such lease or other transaction provides for the unconditional obligation of the lessee to pay a stated amount of principal no later than a stated maturity date, together with interest thereon, and the payment of such obligation is not subject to any material non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer, (b) the obligations of the lessee in respect of such lease or other transaction are fully secured, directly or indirectly, by the property that is the subject of such lease and (c) the interest held by the Issuer in respect of such lease or other transaction is treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

***“LIBOR”***: The offered rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent for any Interest Period, for three month Dollar deposits that appears on Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page (or 3750) as reported on Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News (or a page that replaces Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page (or 3750) for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), as of 11:00 A.M. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period.

If, on the second Business Day before the first day of any relevant Interest Period, that rate does not appear on Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page (or 3750) as reported on Bloomberg

Financial Market Commodities News (or a page that replaces Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page (or 3750) for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), the Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks to prime banks in the London interbank market for three month Dollar deposits in Europe, by reference to requests by the Calculation Agent to four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) (the “**Reference Banks**”) for quotations as of approximately 11:00 A.M. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the Interest Period. If at least two of the Reference Banks provide quotations as requested, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean. If fewer than two Reference Banks provide quotations, LIBOR shall be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that one or more leading banks in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) are quoting to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period for three month Dollar deposits.

If the Calculation Agent is unable to determine a rate in accordance with any of the above procedures, LIBOR for the Interest Period shall be calculated on the last day of the Interest Period and shall be the arithmetic mean of the rate of interest for each day during the Interest Period determined by the Calculation Agent as being the rate of interest most recently announced by the Bank at its New York office as its base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans (or if the Bank ceases to exist or is not quoting a base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans, another major money center commercial bank in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer)).

For the first Interest Period, LIBOR shall be determined using two separate time periods, first, using straight-line interpolation of two rates calculated in accordance with the above procedure, except that instead of using three month Dollar deposits, one rate shall be determined using four month Dollar deposits and the other rate shall be determined using five month Dollar deposits calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed from the Closing Date to, but not including August 1, 2008 *divided* by 360, and second, based on three-month Dollar deposits for the period from and including August 1, 2008 to the first Payment Date. Unless the Maturity Extension occurs, LIBOR shall be determined for the last Interest Period based on the actual number of days in the Interest Period using straight-line interpolation of two rates calculated in accordance with the above procedure, except that instead of using three month Dollar deposits, one rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next shorter than the Interest Period and the other rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next longer than the Interest Period. All calculations shall be calculated to at least four decimal places and rounded to four decimal places.

“**Loan**”: Any interest in a fully committed, senior secured, unsecured, or revolving loan (including loans involving credit linked deposits and synthetic letters of credit) that is acquired by assignment or by Participation (including any DIP Loan) that is either:

- (i) Registered; or
- (ii) issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States:

(A) whose payments are not subject to United States withholding tax; and

(B) that is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**“Long-Dated Collateral Obligation”:** Any Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturity of the Notes other than a Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturities of the Notes that includes a “put” option to its obligor at a price of at least par payable on or before the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

**“Maintenance Covenant”:** A covenant by the borrower to comply with one or more financial covenants during each reporting period, whether or not it has taken any specified action.

**“Majority”:** With respect to any Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**“Margin Stock”:** “Margin Stock” as defined under Regulation U issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, including any debt security that is by its terms convertible into Margin Stock, but does not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation received pursuant to an offer by an issuer of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**“Market Value”:** (a) As of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations which are also Independent from the Servicer or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the lower of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations which are also Independent from the Servicer or (iii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the bid-side market price obtained by the Servicer from one Independent broker-dealer active in the trading of such obligations which is also Independent from the Servicer; *provided* the Servicer remains a registered investment advisor, or (iv) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the bid-side prices for the purchase of the Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer).

(b) If a Market Value of any Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined in accordance with the procedures set out in the previous paragraph for a period of 30 consecutive days then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero; *provided*, that during such 30 day period, such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to (a) the higher of (i) the S&P Recovery Rate for such Collateral Obligation and the then current S&P Rating of the most senior Class of Notes then Outstanding and (ii) 70% of the

Principal Balance of such Collateral Obligation or (b) if the Servicer has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation is lower than the amount determined pursuant to clause (a), such amount to be determined by the Servicer in its commercially reasonable judgment; *provided, further*, that the maximum amount of Collateral Obligations having a Market Value assigned pursuant to the immediately preceding proviso shall be limited to 5.0% of the Maximum Amount (and any amount in excess of 5.0% of the Maximum Amount (which amount shall be composed of Collateral Obligations with the lowest Market Value Percentage) shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero). For the avoidance of doubt, the procedures set out in this paragraph shall not apply to determinations of Market Value of any Eligible Equity Securities or Current-Pay Obligations.

The Servicer is under no obligation to determine the Market Value of the Collateral Obligations other than as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or this Indenture or to comply with any of its duties as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or in this Indenture.

***“Market Value Determination Date”***: With respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities, one Business Day prior to the date of the notice distributed by the Issuer to the Holders of the Preference Shares in connection with such distribution.

***“Market Value Percentage”***: For any Collateral Obligation, the ratio obtained by *dividing*:

- (i) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation; *by*
- (ii) the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation.

***“Maturity”***: With respect to any Note, the date on which the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable as provided in the Note or this Indenture, whether at the Stated Maturity or by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise.

***“Maturity Extension”***: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

***“Maximum Amount”***: An amount equal to:

- (i) on any Measurement Date during the Ramp-Up Period, U.S.\$510,000,000;
- and
- (ii) on any Measurement Date after the Ramp-Up Completion Date:
    - (A) the aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations plus the aggregate outstanding principal amount of any Defaulted Collateral Obligations; plus
    - (B) Cash representing Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; plus
    - (C) Eligible Investments (other than Cash) purchased by the Issuer with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account.



**“Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor”**: As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the sum of (i) the number set forth in the column entitled “Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolation between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable) plus (ii) the Recovery Rate Modifier.

**“Measurement Date”**: Any date:

- (i) on which the Issuer commits to acquire or dispose of any Collateral Obligation;
  - (ii) on which a Collateral Obligation becomes a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
  - (iii) that is a Determination Date;
  - (iv) that is the Ramp-Up Completion Date;
  - (v) that is the Interim Target Date;
  - (vi) that is the date as of which the information in a Monthly Report is calculated pursuant to Section 10.6; and,
- with respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities only,
- (vii) that is the Market Value Determination Date.

**“Memorandum and Articles of Association”**: The memorandum and articles of association of the Issuer, as may be amended and restated before the Closing Date or in accordance with this Indenture.

**“Merging Entity”**: The meaning specified in Section 7.10.

**“Minimum Diversity Score”**: As of any Measurement Date, a score equal to the number set forth in the column entitled “Minimum Diversity Score” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**“Minimum Weighted Average Spread”**: As of any Measurement Date, the spread equal to the percentage set forth in the row entitled “Minimum Weighted Average Spread” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**“Monthly Determination Date”**: The meaning specified in Section 10.6(a).

**“Monthly Report”**: The meaning specified in Section 10.6(a).

**“Moody’s”**: Moody’s Investors Service, Inc.

**“Moody’s Default Probability Rating”**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**“Moody’s Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating”**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**“Moody’s Group I Country”**: Any of the following countries: Australia, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and any country subsequently determined by Moody’s to be a Moody’s Group I Country.

**“Moody’s Group II Country”**: Any of the following countries: Germany, Ireland, Sweden, Switzerland and any country subsequently determined by Moody’s to be a Moody’s Group II Country.

**“Moody’s Group III Country”**: Any of the following countries: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, Spain and any country subsequently determined by Moody’s to be a Moody’s Group III Country.

**“Moody’s Industry Classification”**: The industry classifications in Schedule 2 as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by Moody’s.

**“Moody’s Minimum Average Recovery Rate”**: As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the lesser of (x) 60% and (y) the number obtained by:

- (i) summing the products obtained by *multiplying* the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation *by* its respective Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate;
- (ii) *dividing* the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above *by* the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations; and
- (iii) *rounding up* to the first decimal place.

**“Moody’s Non Senior Secured Loan”**: Any Loan that is not a Moody’s Senior Secured Loan.

**“Moody’s Obligation Rating”**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**“Moody’s Priority Category”**: Each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of “Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix” as a “Moody’s Priority Category.”

**“Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate”**: For any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of “Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix” opposite the Moody’s Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix”**:

<b>Moody’s Priority Category</b>	<b>Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>

Synthetic Securities.....	<p>In the case of:</p> <p>(i) a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the “Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate” given by Moody’s to the Form-Approved Synthetic Security at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security by Moody’s, and</p> <p>(ii) any other Synthetic Security, the “Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate” given by Moody’s to the Synthetic Security at the time of acquisition of the Synthetic Security.</p>
Structured Finance Obligations.....	The Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the Moody’s Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 5</u> by reference to the type of asset and its then Moody’s Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that schedule does not apply, on a case-by-case basis in connection with the Grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
unsecured DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligations not covered above or below .....	As determined by Moody’s on a case-by-case basis.

For High-Yield Bonds, Moody’s Senior Secured Loans and Moody’s Non Senior Secured Loans, the relevant Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate is the rate determined pursuant to the table below based on the number of rating subcategories difference between the High-Yield Bond’s or Loan’s Moody’s Obligation Rating and its Moody’s Default Probability Rating (for purposes of clarification, if the Moody’s Obligation Rating is higher than the Moody’s Default Probability Rating, the rating subcategories difference will be positive and if it is lower, negative):

<b>Number of Moody’s Rating Subcategories Difference Between the Moody’s Obligation Rating and the Moody’s Default Probability Rating</b>	<b>Moody’s Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>Moody’s Non Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>High-Yield Bonds</b>
+2 or more	60.0%	45.0%	40.0%
+1	50.0%	42.5%	35.0%
0	45.0%	40.0%	30.0%
-1	40.0%	30.0%	15.0%
-2	30.0%	15.0%	10.0%
-3 or less	20.0%	10.0%	2.0%

If no Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate has been specifically assigned with respect to a Loan pursuant to the above table, and the Loan is a secured DIP Loan, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is 50.0%.

**"Moody's Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Moody's Rating Factor"**: The number in the table below opposite the rating of the Collateral Obligation (excluding Synthetic Securities where an Assigned Moody's Rating is not available).

<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>	<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>
Aaa	1	Ba1	940
Aa1	10	Ba2	1,350
Aa2	20	Ba3	1,766
Aa3	40	B1	2,220
A1	70	B2	2,720
A2	120	B3	3,490
A3	180	Caa1	4,770
Baa1	260	Caa2	6,500
Baa2	360	Caa3	8,070
Baa3	610	Ca or lower	10,000

The Moody's Rating Factor for Collateral Obligations that are Synthetic Securities shall be determined by Moody's and obtained by the Issuer or the Servicer on a case-by-case basis, unless (1) there is an Assigned Moody's Rating available for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, in which case such Assigned Moody's Rating shall be used to compute the Moody's Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, or (2) such Collateral Obligation is a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, in which case the Moody's Rating Factor given to such Collateral Obligation at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security shall be used to compute the Moody's Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security.

The Moody's Rating Factor for any Collateral Obligation that is a Structured Finance Obligation shall be equal to:  $\frac{Ax55\%}{1-B}$

where: "A" means the number determined with respect to such Collateral Obligation pursuant to the table above; and

“B” means the Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

**“*Moody’s Senior Secured Loan*”:**

(a) a Loan that:

(i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan;

(ii) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor’s obligations under the Loan; and

(iii) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal seniority secured by a first lien or security interest in the same collateral; or

(b) a Loan that:

(i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan, other than, with respect to a Loan described in clause (a) above, with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such loan;

(ii) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor’s obligations under the Loan;

(iii) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by a first or second lien or security interest in the same collateral; and

(iv) has been assigned a Moody’s rating equal to or higher than Moody’s corporate family rating for such obligor; and

(c) the Loan is not: (i) a DIP Loan, (ii) a Loan for which the security interest or lien (or the validity or effectiveness thereof) in substantially all of its collateral attaches, becomes effective, or otherwise “springs” into existence after the origination thereof, or (iii) a type of loan that Moody’s has identified as having unusual terms and with respect to which its Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate has been or is to be determined on a case-by-case basis.

**“*Non-Call Period*”:** With respect to the Class A Notes, the period from the Closing Date to but not including the Payment Date in May 2012, and with respect to the Class B Notes, the

Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes, the period from the Closing Date to but not including the Payment Date in May 2009.

***“Non-Consenting Holder”***: With respect to any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, any Holder or, in the case of Securities represented by Global Notes, any beneficial owner, that either (i) has delivered to the Trustee a written notice that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) had not consented to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

***“Non-Performing Collateral Obligation”***: Any Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any PIK Security as to which its issuer or obligor has previously deferred or capitalized any interest due on it and all the interest so deferred or capitalized has not subsequently been paid in full in cash by:

(i) if the PIK Security has a Moody’s Rating of “Baa3” (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above, the earlier of its second payment date or one year, in each case, following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it; or

(ii) if the PIK Security has a Moody’s Rating of “Baa3” and on credit watch with negative implications or below “Baa3”, the earlier of its first payment date or six months, in each case, following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it.

***“Non-Permitted ERISA Holder”***: The meaning specified in Section 2.6(c)(iii).

***“Non-Permitted Holder”***: (a) With respect to the Global Notes, a Holder or beneficial owner of an interest in a Global Note that is a U.S. person and (i) not a QIB/QP and that becomes the beneficial owner of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note or (ii) does not have an exemption available under the Securities Act and (b) with respect to the Class E Notes, a Holder or beneficial owner of an interest in a Class E Note that is not a QIB/QP.

***“Non-qualifying Collateral Obligation”***: The meaning specified in Section 12.1(d).

***“Note Break-Even Loss Rate”***: With respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the maximum percentage of defaults that the Current Portfolio or Proposed Portfolio can sustain (as determined by S&P through application of the S&P CDO Monitor) and nevertheless sufficient funds will remain for the payment of principal of the Class of Notes in full by its Stated Maturity and the timely payment of interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes and the ultimate payment of interest on the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes using S&P’s assumptions on recoveries, defaults and timing, and taking into account the Priority of Payments.

***“Note Class Loss Differential”***: With respect to any Measurement Date and any Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the rate calculated by subtracting the Scenario Default Rate for the Class from the then-applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate for the Class of Notes.

**“Note Interest Rate”**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes, the *per annum* interest rate payable on the Notes of the Class with respect to each Interest Period on their Aggregate Outstanding Amount (determined as of the first day of the Interest Period and after giving effect to any redemption or other payment of principal occurring on that day) equal to LIBOR for Eurodollar deposits for the applicable Interest Period plus the spread specified in the “Interest Rate” rows of the tables in Section 2.3 with respect to such Notes except in the first Interest Period.

**“Note Payment Sequence”**: The application of funds in the following order:

- (1) to the Class A Notes until the Class A Notes have been fully redeemed;
  - (2) to the Class B Notes until the Class B Notes have been fully redeemed;
  - (3) to the Class C Notes until the Class C Notes have been fully redeemed;
  - (4) to the Class D Notes until the Class D Notes have been fully redeemed;
- and
- (5) to the Class E Notes until the Class E Notes have been fully redeemed.

**“Noteholder”**: A Holder of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes.

**“Notes”**: The Senior Notes and the Class E Notes authorized by, and authenticated and delivered under, this Indenture or any supplemental indenture.

**“Notice of Refinancing”**: The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

**“Objection Cut-Off Date”**: The meaning specified in Section 15.1(h)(ii).

**“Offer”**: The meaning specified in Section 10.7(c).

**“Offering”**: The offering of the Notes.

**“Offering Memorandum”**: The final offering memorandum, dated March 26, 2008, prepared and delivered in connection with the offer and sale of the Securities.

**“Officer”**: With respect to the Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to the Co-Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to any partnership, any of its general partners; and with respect to the Trustee, any Trust Officer.

**“Opinion of Counsel”**: A written opinion addressed to the Trustee and each Rating Agency, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and each Rating Agency, of

an attorney at law (or law firm with one or more partners) reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and admitted to practice before the highest court of any state of the United States or the District of Columbia (or the Cayman Islands, in the case of an opinion relating to the laws of the Cayman Islands), which attorney (or law firm) may, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, be counsel for the Servicer, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. Whenever an Opinion of Counsel is required under this Indenture, the Opinion of Counsel may rely on opinions of other counsel who are so admitted and so satisfactory, which opinions of other counsel shall accompany the Opinion of Counsel and shall either be addressed to the Trustee and each Rating Agency or shall state that the Trustee and each Rating Agency may rely on it. An Opinion of Counsel may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion.

***“Optional Redemption”***: A redemption of the Notes in accordance with Section 9.2.

***“Optional Redemption Date”***: The Payment Date fixed by the Issuer for an Optional Redemption, which shall be no earlier than the Non-Call Period with respect to any Class of Notes.

***“Optional Redemption Price”***: With respect to each Class of Notes, an amount equal to the aggregate of (i) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Class of Notes as of the Optional Redemption Date and (ii)(A) with respect to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes, the applicable accrued and unpaid interest, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest and (B) with respect to the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes, the applicable accrued and unpaid interest, and any accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest, in each case with respect to the Optional Redemption Date.

***“Other Indebtedness”***: The meaning specified in the definition of “Defaulted Collateral Obligation.”

***“Outstanding”***: With respect to:

(a) the Notes or any specified Class, as of any date of determination, all of the Notes or all of the Notes of the specified Class, as the case may be, theretofore authenticated and delivered under this Indenture, except with respect to Notes:

(i) Notes canceled by the Indenture Registrar or delivered to the Indenture Registrar for cancellation;

(ii) Notes for whose payment or redemption funds in the necessary amount have been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any paying agent in trust for their Holders pursuant to Section 4.1(a)(ii) and if the Notes are to be redeemed, notice of redemption has been duly given pursuant to this Indenture;

(iii) Notes in exchange for or in lieu of which other Notes have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to this Indenture; and



(iv) Notes alleged to have been destroyed, lost, or stolen for which replacement Notes have been issued as provided in Section 2.7, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Notes are held by a protected purchaser; and

(b) the Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Preference Share Documents and listed in the share register of the Issuer as outstanding;

*provided* that, in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver under this Indenture, the Securities owned or beneficially owned by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, any Affiliate of either of them and, with respect to any matter affecting its status as Servicer or appointment of a replacement Servicer or relating to an acceleration of any Class of Notes if the effect of the Servicer's action or inaction as a Holder of Securities would effectively prevent acceleration, the Servicer, its Affiliates and any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (other than, with respect to Notes or Class II Preference Shares, HFP or any of its subsidiaries; *provided* that, with respect to the voting authority of Notes or Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Trustee or the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) shall be disregarded and not be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver, only Securities that a Trust Officer of the Trustee (or with respect to the Preference Shares, only Preference Shares that an Authorized Officer of the Preference Shares Paying Agent) has actual knowledge to be so owned or beneficially owned shall be so disregarded. Securities so owned or beneficially owned that have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee or the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, the pledgee's right so to act with respect to the Securities and that the pledgee is independent from the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

**"Overcollateralization Ratio"**: With respect to any Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by *dividing*:

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator; *by*
- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it (including any Deferred Interest on the Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it); *provided* that the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes shall constitute one Class of Notes for purposes of the Overcollateralization Ratio relating to such Classes of Notes.

**"Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator"**: On any date, the sum of:

(1) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (other than any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, any Deep Discount Obligations, any Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an “event of default” (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing and any Structured Finance Obligation that has an overcollateralization-based event of default with ratings based haircuts (including CCC excess securities haircuts)); *plus*

(2) unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal (excluding any unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal in respect of Non-Performing Collateral Obligations); *plus*

(3) the Aggregate Principal Balance of any Eligible Investments that were purchased with Principal Proceeds and the amount of Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*

(4) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Eligible Investments on deposit in a Securities Lending Account that relate to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an “event of default” (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing; *plus*

(5) with respect to Collateral Obligations that are Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, Deep Discount Obligations or Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, the amount determined by using one of the following methods applicable to such type of Collateral Obligation; *provided* that if a Collateral Obligation falls within more than one of such types, the Issuer will be required to use the method that results in the smallest amount:

(A) with respect to any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, an amount equal to the product of (i) the CCC+/Caa1 Excess Market Value Percentage, *multiplied by* (ii) the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations;

(B) with respect to any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, the aggregate of the Applicable Collateral Obligation Amounts for all included Non-Performing Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations that have been held by the Issuer for more than three years, which shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this clause (B)); and

(C) with respect to any Deep Discount Obligations, the Aggregate Purchase Price Amount for all Deep Discount Obligations.

As used in this definition, “***Applicable Collateral Obligation Amount***” for any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation means:

(a) the lesser of:

(x) the Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation; and

(y) the Applicable Percentage for the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation;

*multiplied by:*

(b) if the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation is:

(1) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (2) through (4) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;

(2) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;

(3) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and

(4) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

As used in the calculation of Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation, the Principal Balance of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall be, if the Defaulted Collateral Obligation is:

(1) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (2) through (4) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;

(2) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;

(3) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and

(4) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

**“Overcollateralization Test”:** A test that is satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes if, as of any Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the required level for the specified Class indicated in the table below:

<u>Test</u>	<u>Required Level</u>
Class A/B Overcollateralization Test	113.75 %
Class C Overcollateralization Test	110.50 %
Class D Overcollateralization Test	107.25 %
Class E Overcollateralization Test	105.00 %

***“Participating Institution”***: An institution that creates a participation interest and that has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody’s of at least “A3” (and if so rated by Moody’s such rating is not on watch for possible downgrade) and a short-term credit rating by S&P of at least “A-1” or, if no short-term rating exists, a long-term credit rating by S&P of at least “A+”.

***“Participation”***: A Loan acquired as a participation interest created by a Participating Institution.

***“Paying Agent”***: Any Person authorized by the Issuer to pay the principal of or interest on any Notes on behalf of the Issuer as specified in Section 7.2.

***“Payment Account”***: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(h).

***“Payment Date”***: The first day of February, May, August and November in each year, commencing in November 2008 or, if any such day is not a Business Day, the next following Business Day, any other date on which the Notes are redeemed or paid before their Stated Maturity, and at the Stated Maturity for the Notes.

***“Permitted Offer”***: An Offer pursuant to which the offeror offers to acquire a debt obligation (including a Collateral Obligation) in exchange solely for cash in an amount equal to or greater than the full face amount of the debt obligation plus any accrued and unpaid interest and as to which the Servicer has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the offeror has sufficient access to financing to consummate the Offer.

***“Person”***: An individual, corporation (including a business trust), partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust (including any beneficiary thereof), unincorporated association or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

***“PIK Cash-Pay Interest”***: As to any PIK Security, the portion of interest required to be paid in cash (and not permitted to be added to the balance of such PIK Security or otherwise deferred and accrued) thereon pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments.

***“PIK Security”***: Any loan or debt obligation on which any portion of the interest accrued for a specified period of time or until the maturity thereof is, or at the option of the obligor may be, added to the principal balance of such loan or debt obligation or otherwise deferred rather than being paid in cash; *provided* that such loan or debt obligation shall not be a PIK Security if the portion, if any, of such interest required pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments to be paid in Cash would result in the outstanding principal amount of such loan or debt obligation having an effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest at least equal to (i) if such loan or debt obligation is a fixed rate loan or debt obligation, 4% *per annum*, or (ii) if such loan or debt obligation is a floating rate loan or debt obligation, LIBOR.

***“Plan”***: An employee benefit plan as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA that is subject to the provisions of Title I of ERISA or a plan as defined in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code.

***“Plan Asset Regulation”***: The regulations issued by the United States Department of Labor and found at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101, which have been modified by Section 3(42) of ERISA.

***“Pledged Obligations”***: As of any date of determination, the Collateral Obligations, the Workout Assets, the Eligible Investments, and any other securities or obligations that have been Granted to the Trustee that form part of the Collateral.

***“Portfolio Improvement Exchange”***: The disposition, during the Replacement Period, of a Collateral Obligation and corresponding acquisition of one or more Collateral Obligations which in the aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Test, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied (or bring the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations closer to compliance with any such test or limitation) or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith would be improved and (ii) improving, on a net basis, the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test and Concentration Limitations and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased.

***“Pre-Closing Parties”***: One or more Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser that are financing the acquisition of Collateral Obligations by the Issuer during an accumulation period before the Closing Date.

***“Preference Share Documents”***: The Issuer’s Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the resolutions of the Issuer’s board of directors authorizing and approving the issuance of the Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

***“Preference Share Internal Rate of Return”***: With respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the “XIRR” function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a *per annum* basis, for the following cash flows, assuming all Preference Shares are purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount:

(i) each distribution of Interest Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date; and

(ii) each distribution of Principal Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the

extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date.

**“Preference Shares”**: The Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares.

**“Preference Shares Distribution Account”**: A separate segregated non-interest bearing account established by the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deposit all amounts received from the Issuer and payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares under the Priority of Payments.

**“Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement”**: The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement dated as of March 27, 2008, by and between the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

**“Preference Shares Paying Agent”**: State Street Bank and Trust Company, in its capacity as Preference Shares Paying Agent under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter “Preference Shares Paying Agent” shall mean such successor Person.

**“Principal Balance”**: With respect to:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those specifically covered in this definition, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Pledged Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest, zero, except as otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture;
- (iv) any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, except as otherwise provided, zero;
- (v) any Collateral Obligation that has been loaned, its Principal Balance shall be reduced by the excess of the amount of collateral required over the actual Market Value of the collateral;
- (vi) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance shall include any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer’s obligation to fund the unfunded amount), except as otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture;
- (vii) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance shall not include any principal amount of the PIK Security representing previously deferred or capitalized interest; and

(viii) any Qualified Equity Security and any obligation or security that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, zero.

**“Principal Proceeds”**: With respect to any Due Period, all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are not Interest Proceeds.

Principal Proceeds shall include any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account into the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.2.

Principal Proceeds do not include the Excluded Property or earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

At any time when an “event of default” under a Securities Lending Agreement has occurred and is continuing, any payments received by the Issuer from the related Securities Lending Collateral shall be Principal Proceeds.

**“Priority Class”**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that ranks senior to that Class, as indicated in Section 13.1.

**“Priority of Payments”**: The meaning specified in Section 11.1.

**“Proceeding”**: Any suit in equity, action at law, or other judicial or administrative proceeding.

**“Proposed Portfolio”**: As of any Measurement Date, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations and Principal Proceeds held as Cash on deposit in the Collection Account and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account resulting from the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or a proposed purchase of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**“Purchase Agreement”**: A securities purchase agreement dated as of March 27, 2008 among the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchaser, relating to the purchase of the Senior Notes, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**“Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance”**: For any Collateral Obligation other than Deep Discount Obligations, its Principal Balance; and for any Deep Discount Obligation its Purchase Price; *provided, however*, that if any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations exist, the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance for the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations shall be equal to the weighted average Market Value of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances.

**“Purchase Price”**: With respect to the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (other than any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation), the net purchase price paid by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation. The net purchase price is determined by subtracting from the purchase

price the amount of any Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal and any syndication and other upfront fees paid to the Issuer and by adding the amount of any related transaction costs (including assignment fees) paid by the Issuer to the seller of the Collateral Obligation or its agent.

**“Purchase Price Amount”:** With respect to any Collateral Obligation on any date of determination, the product of (i) the Purchase Price (stated as a percentage) thereof and (ii) the Principal Balance thereof on such date.

**“QIB/QP”:** Any Person that, at the time of its acquisition of Notes is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser.

**“Qualified Equity Security”:** Any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that is stock or evidence of an interest in or a right to buy stock, or any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation but whose acquisition otherwise is a transaction in stocks or securities within the meaning of Section 864(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Code and the regulations under the Code. Qualified Equity Securities do not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation and that will cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in or having income from a United States trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes by virtue of its ownership or disposition of the obligation (without regard to the Issuer’s other activities).

**“Qualified Institutional Buyer”:** The meaning specified in Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

**“Qualified Purchaser”:** The meaning specified in Section 2(a)(51) of the Investment Company Act and Rule 2a51-2 under the Investment Company Act (including entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers).

**“Ramp-Up Completion Date”:** The earlier of:

- (i) the Business Day after the 120th day after the Closing Date, and
- (ii) the first date on which the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer plus the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations committed to be purchased by the Issuer with proceeds from the sale of the Securities (in each case with respect to Collateral Obligations committed to be purchased, measured solely as of the date of commitment) equals at least U.S.\$510,000,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, (x) without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments or principal prepayments made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date, (y) for any Loan acquired by the Issuer at a Purchase Price less than 70% of its Principal Balance (I) if such Loan has a Moody’s Obligation Rating that is equal to or better than “B2” (and not rated “B2” on watch for downgrade) such Loan will be given 100% par credit for purposes of determining its Principal Balance on the Ramp-Up Completion Date and (II) if such Loan has a Moody’s Obligation Rating less than “B2” (or “B2” on



watch for downgrade) such Loan will be valued at its Purchase Price for purposes of determining its Principal Balance on the Ramp-Up Completion Date and (z) any Structured Finance Obligation that has an overcollateralization-based event of default with ratings based haircuts (including CCC excess securities haircuts) shall have a Principal Balance of zero).

**“Ramp-Up Notice”**: The meaning specified in Section 7.19(e).

**“Ramp-Up Period”**: The period from and including the Closing Date to and including the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

**“Rating Agency”**: Each of Moody’s and S&P or, with respect to Pledged Obligations generally, if at any time Moody’s or S&P ceases to provide rating services with respect to high yield debt securities, any other nationally recognized statistical rating organization selected by the Issuer and reasonably satisfactory to a Majority of each Class of Notes. If at any time Moody’s ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of Moody’s in this Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and Moody’s published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used. If at any time S&P ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of S&P in this Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and S&P published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used.

**“Rating Condition”**: With respect to any Rating Agency and any action taken or to be taken under this Indenture, a condition that is satisfied when the Rating Agency has confirmed to the Servicer (as agent for the Issuer) in writing that no withdrawal, reduction, suspension, or other adverse action with respect to any then current rating by it (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes will occur as a result of the action. The Rating Condition with respect to any Rating Agency shall be satisfied for all purposes of this Indenture at any time when no Outstanding Notes are rated by it.

**“Rating Confirmation”**: Confirmation in writing from each Rating Agency that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes; *provided, however*, that in the case of Refinancing Notes, both a Moody’s rating and an S&P rating will be obtained for such Refinancing Notes and a Rating Confirmation with respect to such Refinancing Notes shall mean (i) with respect to S&P, confirmation in writing from S&P that the S&P rating of each Class of Refinancing Notes will be no lower than the rating on each corresponding Class of Notes subject to such Refinancing and (ii) with respect to Moody’s, that the Moody’s rating of each Class of Refinancing Notes will be no lower than the rating on each corresponding Class of Notes subject to such Refinancing; *provided* further that if the terms of such Refinancing Notes are the same as the terms of the corresponding Class of Notes subject to Refinancing (other than with respect to the coupon thereof), it is expected that the cost of obtaining such rating from Moody’s shall be no more than the cost of obtaining a Rating Confirmation.

**“Rating Confirmation Failure”**: The meaning specified in Section 7.19(f) hereof.

**“Ratings Matrix”:** On the Closing Date the Servicer may select a “row/column combination” of the table below to apply, or may interpolate between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable, on a straight-line basis and round the results to two decimal points to apply initially for purposes of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test. Thereafter, on notice to the Trustee, the Servicer may select a different row of the Ratings Matrix to apply, or may interpolate between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable, on a straight-line basis and round the results to two decimal points.

Minimum Weighted Average Spread	Minimum Diversity Score							
	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80
2.00%	1890	1915	1925	1940	1960	1980	2005	2030
2.10%	1950	1990	2005	2025	2035	2060	2070	2095
2.20%	2050	2075	2095	2105	2135	2150	2175	2190
2.30%	2140	2165	2195	2210	2240	2250	2275	2285
2.40%	2220	2255	2290	2315	2340	2360	2375	2385
2.50%	2300	2340	2380	2400	2430	2455	2475	2495
2.60%	2350	2405	2450	2485	2515	2540	2560	2575
2.70%	2390	2455	2505	2550	2585	2620	2640	2650
2.80%	2430	2505	2560	2605	2640	2675	2700	2720
2.90%	2465	2535	2600	2655	2695	2735	2760	2785
3.00%	2510	2585	2640	2690	2740	2780	2815	2845
3.10%	2545	2615	2680	2730	2780	2815	2855	2890
3.20%	2585	2655	2720	2770	2815	2855	2900	2930
3.30%	2620	2695	2755	2810	2855	2900	2940	2975
3.40%	2660	2735	2795	2850	2895	2940	2975	3010
3.50%	2695	2775	2835	2885	2935	2980	3010	3050
Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor								

**“Recovery Rate Modifier”:** As of any Measurement Date, the product of:

(i) (a) the Moody’s Minimum Average Recovery Rate minus the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test (but not less than zero) *multiplied by* (b) 100; and

(ii) 55.

**“Record Date”:** As to any Payment Date, the 15th day (whether or not a Business Day) before the Payment Date.

**“Redemption Date”:** Any Payment Date specified for an Optional Redemption of Notes pursuant to Section 9.2 or the redemption of a Class of Notes in connection with a Refinancing pursuant to Section 9.7.

**“Redemption Price”:** With respect to any Note and any Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) or any redemption by Refinancing pursuant to Section 9.7(a), an amount equal to:

- (i) the outstanding principal amount of the Note being redeemed; *plus*
- (ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest); *plus*
- (iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note; *plus*
- (iv) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

With respect to any Preference Share and any Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b), “Redemption Price” means (i) at the request of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the *pro rata* portion for such Preference Share of the entire remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications pursuant to the Priority of Payments or (ii) as specified by the unanimous written request of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case as specified in Section 9.2(b).

“**Redemption Date Statement**”: The meaning specified in Section 10.6(c).

“**Reference Obligation**”: An obligation that would otherwise satisfy the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and on which a Synthetic Security is based; *provided* that no Reference Obligation shall be a Synthetic Security.

“**Reference Obligor**”: The obligor of a Reference Obligation.

“**Refinancing**”: The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

“**Refinancing Date**”: The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

“**Refinancing Notes**”: The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

“**Refinancing Price**”: With respect to any Class of Notes that is subject to a Refinancing, an amount equal to the Redemption Price therefor.

“**Refinancing Proceeds**”: The proceeds from any refinancing permitted under this Indenture.

“**Registered**”: With respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment, means that it is issued after July 18, 1984 and is in registered form within the meaning of Section 881(c)(2)(B)(i) of the Code and the United States Department of the Treasury (“**Treasury**”) regulations promulgated thereunder.

“**Regulation D**”: Regulation D under the Securities Act.

“**Regulation S**”: Regulation S under the Securities Act.

“**Regulation S Global Note**”: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(b).

**“Relevant Obligation”**: For a Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security and otherwise the Collateral Obligation.

**“Replacement Hedge”**: A replacement hedge agreement that qualifies to be a Hedge Agreement under this Indenture.

**“Replacement Period”**: The period from the Closing Date through and including the first to occur of:

(i) the Payment Date after the date that the Servicer notifies the Trustee, each Rating Agency, and the Administrator, in the sole discretion of the Servicer, that, in light of the composition of the Collateral, general market conditions, and other factors, the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations within the foreseeable future would either be impractical or not beneficial,

(ii) the Payment Date in May 2014 or, in the case of an Extension, the Extended Replacement Period End Date,

(iii) the Payment Date on which all Notes are to be optionally redeemed or an earlier date after notice of an Optional Redemption chosen by the Servicer to facilitate the liquidation of the Collateral for the Optional Redemption, and

(iv) the date on which the Replacement Period terminates or is terminated as a result of an Event of Default (subject to Section 5.2(c)).

**“Required Redemption Percentage”**: With respect to (a) any Optional Redemption resulting from a Tax Event, the Holders of at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of any Affected Class or at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares and (b) any other Optional Redemption, a Majority of the Preference Shares.

**“Revolving Loan”**: A Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation (in each case excluding any Delayed Drawdown Loan) that requires the Issuer to make future advances to (or for the account of) the borrower under its Underlying Instruments (including any letter of credit for which the Issuer is required to reimburse the issuing bank for under it). A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Revolving Loan for so long as its Commitment Amount is greater than zero.

**“Revolving Reserve Account”**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(b).

**“Rule 3a-7”**: Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act.

**“Rule 144A”**: Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

**“Rule 144A Global Note”**: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(c).

**“Rule 144A Information”**: The meaning specified in Section 7.15.

**“S&P”**: Standard & Poor’s Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc.

**“S&P CDO Monitor”**: A dynamic, analytical computer model developed by S&P (and as may be modified by S&P from time to time) and provided to the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator to be used to calculate the default frequency in terms of the amount of debt assumed to default as a percentage of the original principal amount of the Collateral Obligations consistent with a specified benchmark rating level based on certain assumptions and S&P’s proprietary corporate default studies. For the purpose (and only for the purpose) of applying the S&P CDO Monitor to a portfolio of obligations, for each obligation in the portfolio, the rating of the obligation shall be its S&P Rating.

**“S&P CDO Monitor Test”**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive. The S&P CDO Monitor Test shall be considered to be improved if each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is at least equal to the corresponding Note Class Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio. The S&P CDO Monitor Test is not required to be satisfied or improved upon the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation and the application of the related Sale Proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations as provided in Section 12.1(a). For purposes of the S&P CDO Monitor Test,

- (i) the S&P Rating of any S&P Unrated DIP Loan shall be “CCC-”; and
- (ii) the S&P Industry Classification for a Synthetic Security shall be that of the related Reference Obligation and not the Synthetic Security.

**“S&P CRR”**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation, a corporate recovery rate assigned by S&P to such Collateral Obligation.

**“S&P Industry Classification”**: The S&P Industry Classifications in Schedule 3 as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by S&P.

**“S&P Rating”**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**“S&P Rating Confirmation”**: Confirmation in writing from S&P that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes.

**“S&P Recovery Rate”**: As of any date of determination, with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the percentage for such Collateral Obligation set forth in (x) the applicable table below, as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by S&P, (y) the row in such table opposite the S&P CRR (or, if the relevant assets have no S&P CRR, the senior secured recovery rating, the U.S. loan recovery rating or the CDO liability rating, as applicable) of such Collateral Obligation (or, in the case of a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation unless otherwise specified by S&P) and (z) the column in such table below the initial S&P Rating of the respective Class of Notes; *provided, however* that (i) with respect to a DIP Loan or a Synthetic Security (other than a Form-Approved Synthetic Security that does not reference an index), the S&P Recovery Rate shall be the recovery rate assigned by S&P and with

respect to a Structured Finance Obligation the S&P Recovery Rate shall be the recovery rate determined by reference to Table V or Table VI below, as applicable and (ii) the Issuer or the Servicer may request the assignment of a recovery rate from S&P with respect to any Collateral Obligation, any such assignment by S&P to be in writing (electronic or otherwise); *provided, further*, that if a Collateral Obligation is a Cov-lite Loan for which there is no S&P CRR and therefore Table IV would apply, the recovery rate for such Collateral Obligation shall be equal to 90% of its recovery rate as of such date of determination, unless otherwise provided by S&P upon request by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer.

**Table I (if the Collateral Obligation has a S&P CRR): Recovery Rates For Assets With Corporate Recovery Ratings**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>CCC</b>
<b>S&amp;P CRR</b>				<b>(%)</b>			
1+	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1	92	94	96	98	100	100	100
2	78	81	84	87	90	90	90
3	58	61	64	67	70	70	70
4	38	41	44	47	50	50	50
5	16	20	24	27	30	30	30
6	6	7	8	9	10	10	10

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\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table II (if the Collateral Obligation is a Senior Unsecured Loan and has no S&P CRR, but other senior secured corporate debt of the same obligor has a S&P CRR): U.S. Recovery Rates of Corporate Senior Unsecured Debt If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B &amp; CCC</b>
<b>Senior secured recovery ratings</b>				<b>(%)</b>		
1+	53	55	57	59	61	61
1	48	50	52	54	56	56
2	43	45	47	49	51	51
3	39	41	43	45	47	47
4	22	24	26	28	30	30
5	8	10	12	14	15	15
6	4	4	4	4	4	4

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\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table III (if the Collateral Obligation is a subordinated obligation and has no S&P CRR, but other senior secured corporate debt of the same obligor has a S&P CRR): U.S. Recovery Rates of Corporate Subordinated Debt If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B &amp; CCC</b>
<b>Senior secured recovery ratings</b>						
			(%)			
1+	25	25	25	25	25	25
1	22	22	22	22	22	22
2	20	20	20	20	20	20
3	20	20	20	20	20	20
4	10	10	10	10	10	10
5	5	5	5	5	5	5
6	2	2	2	2	2	2

\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table IV (if none of Table I, Table II or Table III is applicable): S&P's U.S. Tiered Corporate Recovery Rates (for Collateral Obligations that do not have a S&P CRR)**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B &amp; CCC</b>
<b>U.S. loan recovery rates</b>						
			(%)			
Senior Secured Loans	56	60	64	67	70	70
Senior Secured Loan which is a Cov-lite Loan	51	54	58	60	63	63
Senior Unsecured Loans and Second Lien Loans	40	42	44	46	48	48
Subordinated Loans	22	22	22	22	22	22
Senior Secured Notes	48	49	50	51	52	52
Unsecured Bonds	38	41	42	44	45	45
Subordinated Bonds	19	19	19	19	19	19

\* As of the Closing Date.

\*\* The Aggregate Principal Balance of all Second Lien Loans without a S&P CRR (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that, in the aggregate, represent up to 15% of the Maximum Amount will have the S&P Recovery Rate specified for Second Lien Loans in the table above. The Aggregate Principal Balance of all Second Lien Loans without a S&P CRR (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) in excess of 15% of the Maximum Amount will have the S&P Recovery Rate specified for Subordinated Loans in the table above.



**Table V (if the Structured Finance Obligation is the senior-most tranche of securities issued by the issuer of, or obligor on, such Structured Finance Obligation): S&P's Ratings of Collateral Obligations at the Date of Issuance**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>CCC</b>
<b>Recovery Rate by S&amp;P's Rating of Class of Notes on the Applicable Measurement Date</b>							
AAA	80.00%	85.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%
AA	70.00%	75.00%	85.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%
A	60.00%	65.00%	75.00%	85.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%
BBB	50.00%	55.00%	65.00%	75.00%	85.00%	85.00%	85.00%
BB	45.00%	50.00%	55.00%	65.00%	75.00%	75.00%	75.00%
B	25.00%	30.00%	50.00%	55.00%	65.00%	65.00%	50.00%
CCC	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	5.00%	10.00%	10.00%

\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table VI (if the Structured Finance Obligation is not the senior-most tranche of securities issued by the issuer of, or obligor on, such Structured Finance Obligation): S&P's Ratings of Collateral Obligations at the Date of Issuance**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>CCC</b>
<b>Recovery Rate by S&amp;P's Rating of Class of Notes on the Applicable Measurement Date</b>							
AAA	65.00%	70.00%	80.00%	85.00%	85.00%	85.00%	85.00%
AA	55.00%	65.00%	75.00%	80.00%	80.00%	80.00%	80.00%
A	40.00%	45.00%	55.00%	65.00%	80.00%	80.00%	80.00%
BBB	30.00%	35.00%	40.00%	45.00%	50.00%	60.00%	70.00%
BB	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%	25.00%	35.00%	40.00%	50.00%
B	2.50%	5.00%	5.00%	10.00%	10.00%	20.00%	25.00%
CCC	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	2.50%	5.00%	5.00%

\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table VII: European and Asian Tiered Corporate Recovery Rates (By Asset Class And CDO Liability Rating)**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B &amp; CCC</b>
<b>CDO liability rating</b>						
<b>Senior secured loans</b>				(%)		
Group A**	68	73	78	81	85	85
Group B**	56	60	64	67	70	70
Group C**	48	51	55	57	60	60
<b>Senior Secured Loan which is a Cov-lite Loan</b>						
Group A	61	66	70	73	77	77
Group B	51	54	58	60	63	63
Group C	43	46	50	51	54	54
<b>Mezz./second-lien/senior unsecured loans (%)</b>						
Group A	45	47	50	52	54	54
Group B	40	42	44	46	48	48
Group C	35	37	39	40	42	42
<b>Subordinated loans (%)</b>						
Group A	20	20	20	20	20	20
Group B	20	20	20	20	20	20
Group C	17	17	17	17	17	17
<b>Senior secured bonds (%)</b>						
Group A	60	61	62	63	64	64
Group B	48	49	50	51	52	52
Group C	43	44	45	46	47	47
<b>Senior unsecured bonds (%)</b>						
Group A	40	42	44	46	48	48
Group B	38	41	42	44	45	45
Group C	32	35	36	38	39	40
<b>Subordinated bonds (%)</b>						
Group A	18	18	18	18	18	18
Group B	18	18	18	18	18	18
Group C	15	15	15	15	15	15

\* As of the Closing Date.

\*\* Group A: U.K., Ireland, South Africa, and The Netherlands. Group B: Belgium, Germany, Austria, Spain, Portugal, Luxembourg, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Finland, Hong Kong and Singapore. Group C: France, Italy, Greece, Switzerland, Japan, Korea and Taiwan.

**Table VIII: Group A European and Asian Recovery If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B &amp; CCC</b>
<b>CDO liability rating</b>						
<b>Mezz.</b>						
<b>loans/second-lien/senior</b>						
<b>unsecured loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	65	68	71	73	76	76
1	57	60	63	65	68	68
2	50	53	55	57	59	59
3	42	45	47	49	51	51
4	18	18	18	18	18	18
5	8	8	8	8	8	8
6	4	4	4	4	4	4
<b>Subordinated loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	22	22	22	22	22	22
1	20	20	20	20	20	20
2	18	18	18	18	18	18
3	18	18	18	18	18	18
4	9	9	9	9	9	9
5	4	4	4	4	4	4
6	2	2	2	2	2	2

\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table IX: Group B European and Asian Recovery If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b> <b>CDO liability rating</b> <b>Mezz.</b> <b>loans/second-lien/senior</b> <b>unsecured loans</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B &amp; CCC</b>
	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	53	55	57	59	61	61
1	48	50	52	54	56	56
2	43	45	47	49	51	51
3	39	41	43	45	47	47
4	18	18	18	18	18	18
5	8	8	8	8	8	8
6	4	4	4	4	4	4
<b>Subordinated loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	22	22	22	22	22	22
1	20	20	20	20	20	20
2	18	18	18	18	18	18
3	18	18	18	18	18	18
4	9	9	9	9	9	9
5	4	4	4	4	4	4
6	2	2	2	2	2	2

\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table X: Group C European and Asian Recovery If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B &amp; CCC</b>
<b>CDO liability rating</b>						
<b>Mezz.</b>						
<b>loans/second-lien/senior</b>						
<b>unsecured loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	45	46	48	49	51	51
1	41	43	44	46	47	48
2	37	39	41	42	44	44
3	33	36	37	39	40	41
4	16	16	16	16	16	16
5	6	6	6	6	6	6
6	3	3	3	3	3	3
<b>Subordinated loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	20	20	20	20	20	20
1	17	17	17	17	17	17
2	15	15	15	15	15	15
3	15	15	15	15	15	15
4	8	8	8	8	8	8
5	3	3	3	3	3	3
6	1	1	1	1	1	1

\* As of the Closing Date.

In all recovery rate tables above, Note rating categories below “AAA” include rating subcategories (for example, the “AA” column also applies to Notes rated “AA+” and “AA-”).

**“S&P Unrated DIP Loan”**: A DIP Loan acquired by the Issuer that does not have a rating assigned by S&P and for which the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P (as specified in the definition of “DIP Loan”).

**“Sale”**: The meaning specified in Section 5.17.

**“Sale Proceeds”**: All proceeds received (including any proceeds received with respect to any associated interest rate swap or security providing fixed annuity payments ) with respect to Collateral Obligations or other Pledged Obligations as a result of their sales or other dispositions less any reasonable expenses expended by the Servicer or the Trustee in connection with the sales or other dispositions, which shall be paid from such proceeds notwithstanding their characterization otherwise as Administrative Expenses.

**“Scenario Default Rate”**: With respect to any Class of Notes rated by S&P, an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, consistent with S&P’s rating of the Class of Notes on the Closing Date, determined by application of the S&P CDO Monitor.

**“Schedule of Collateral Obligations”:** The Collateral Obligations listed on Schedule 1, which schedule shall include with respect to each listed Collateral Obligation:

- (A) the name of the obligor and a unique Loan or other instrument identifier;
- (B) the purchase price;
- (C) the Principal Balance;
- (D) the classification (including whether the Collateral Obligation is a Loan, a High-Yield Bond, a Synthetic Security, a Participation, a Structured Finance Obligation, a Revolving Loan or a Delayed Drawdown Loan);
- (E) the funded amount (stated as a percentage) in respect of a Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or a Delayed Drawdown Loan;
- (F) the coupon or spread (as applicable);
- (G) the Stated Maturity;
- (H) the Moody’s Rating;
- (I) the S&P Rating; and
- (J) the CUSIP and any ISIN, if applicable,

as the schedule may be amended from time to time to reflect the release of Collateral Obligations pursuant to Article 10 and the inclusion of Collateral Obligations as provided in Section 12.2.

**“Second Lien Loan”:** A Loan that (i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinated in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan other than a Senior Secured Loan with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such Loan, (ii) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest in or lien on specified collateral securing the obligor’s obligations under the Loan, which specified collateral does not consist solely of common stock or shares issued by the obligor or any of its Affiliates or intangible assets and (iii) if such Loan does not have an S&P Recovery Rating, then, solely for purposes of determining the S&P Recovery Rate for such Loan, in the Servicer’s commercially reasonable judgment (with such judgment being made in good faith by the Servicer at the time of such Loan’s purchase), the specified collateral for such Loan has a value not less than the outstanding principal amount of all debt senior to such Loan and any debt *pari passu* with such Loan, which value may be derived from, among other things, the enterprise value of the issuer of such Loans (provided that the provisions of the clause (iii) may be amended at any time, subject to Rating Confirmation from S&P, or in order to conform to S&P’s then-current criteria for such Loans).

**“Secondary Risk Counterparty”:** Any obligor Domiciled other than in the United States, any Participating Institution, any Synthetic Security Counterparty, and any Securities Lending Counterparty.

**“Secondary Risk Table”**: With respect to Moody’s, the table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty	Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
Aaa	20.0%	20.0%
Aa1	10.0%	10.0%
Aa2	10.0%	10.0%
Aa3	10.0%	10.0%
A1	5.0%	10.0%
A2 or below	0.0%	0.0%

With respect to S&P and solely with respect to Participations and Securities Lending Agreements, the table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty	Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
AAA	20.0%	20.0%
AA+/AA/AA-	10.0%	20.0%
A+	5.0%	20.0%
A or below	0.0%	0.0%

If any Secondary Risk Counterparty’s long-term senior unsecured debt rating or short-term rating is on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody’s or S&P, then for the purposes of the table above, its rating by the Rating Agency putting its rating on credit watch shall be one rating notch lower for that Rating Agency.

**“Section 3(c)(7)”**: Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act.

**“Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice”**: A notice from the Issuer to the Noteholders (to be delivered in accordance with Sections 10.6(a) and (b)) substantially in the form of Exhibit H-1.

**“Secured Loan”**: A Loan that is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**“Secured Obligations”**: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**“Secured Parties”**: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**“Securities”**: The Notes and the Preference Shares.

**“Securities Account Control Agreement”**: An agreement dated as of the Closing Date by and among the Issuer, the Trustee and the Bank, as Custodian.

**“Securities Act”**: The United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

**“Securities Intermediary”**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(14) of the UCC.

**“Securities Lending Account”**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(f).

**“Securities Lending Agreement”**: The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**“Securities Lending Collateral”**: The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**“Securities Lending Counterparty”**: The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**“Security Entitlement”**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(17) of the UCC.

**“Senior Notes”**: The Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes authorized by, and authenticated and delivered under, this Indenture or any supplemental indenture.

**“Senior Secured Loan”**: A Secured Loan that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a valid and perfected first priority security interest in collateral that in the opinion of the Servicer has value at least equal to the amount of the Loan and that is not a DIP Loan.

**“Senior Servicing Fee”**: A fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.10% *per annum* of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Senior Servicing Fee shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

**“Senior Unsecured Loan”**: A Loan that is not a Senior Secured Loan and is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**“Servicer”**: Highland Capital Management, L.P., and any successor Servicer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement.

**“Servicing Agreement”**: The Servicing Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Servicer, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**“Servicing Fee Portion”**: 100% minus a percentage (between 0% and 100%) selected by the Servicer in its sole discretion and reported to the Trustee in writing on or before the related Determination Date.

**“Servicing Fees”**: Collectively, the Senior Servicing Fee, the Subordinated Servicing Fee and the Supplemental Servicing Fee.



**“Share Registrar”**: Walkers SPV Limited or any successor thereto.

**“Share Trustee”**: Walkers SPV Limited.

**“Special Redemption”**: The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**“Special Redemption Amount”**: The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**“Special Redemption Date”**: The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**“Spread Excess”**: As of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose:

(i) numerator is the product of:

(A) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date over the Minimum Weighted Average Spread specified in the applicable row of the Ratings Matrix; and

(B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and

(ii) denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Spread Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Fixed Rate Excess were equal to zero.

**“Stated Maturity”**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation, the maturity date specified in it or the applicable Underlying Instrument (or, if earlier, the first date on which any Person may be required by the Issuer to repurchase the entire principal amount of the Collateral Obligation at or above par) and with respect to the Notes of any Class, the Payment Date in November 2018 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date. Unless otherwise specified, “Stated Maturity” means the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

**“Structured Finance Obligation”**: Any obligation (other than the Notes or any other security or obligation issued by the Issuer):

(i) primarily secured directly by, referenced to or representing ownership of, a pool of loan receivables of U.S. obligors, or obligors organized or incorporated in Moody’s Group I Countries, Moody’s Group II Countries, Moody’s Group III Countries or Tax Advantaged Jurisdictions (for the avoidance of doubt, excluding:

(A) residential mortgage backed securities;

(B) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by Emerging Market Securities;

(C) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by asset backed securities;

(D) market value collateralized debt obligations;

(E) securities backed by “future flow” receivables;

(F) securities backed by “trust preferred securities”;

(G) net interest margin securitizations;

(H) collateralized debt obligations greater than 10% of the underlying obligations of which are backed by high yield corporate bonds;

(I) collateralized debt obligations and collateralized loan obligations greater than 10% of the underlying obligations of which are backed by other collateralized debt obligations or collateralized loan obligations, as applicable;

(J) collateralized loan obligations backed by less than 90% loans; *provided* that the following collateralized loan obligations up to the Principal Balance set forth opposite their name will be allowed:

(1) Greywolf CLO I, Ltd.: \$1,000,000, and

(2) Madison Park Funding V, Ltd.: \$5,000,000;

(K) obligations secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool of receivables or other assets where the obligors with respect to such receivables or other assets are non-corporate credit risks);

(ii) that has an S&P Rating;

(iii) that has a Moody’s Rating and a Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate as specified in Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix; and

(iv) whose ownership or disposition (without regard to the Issuer’s other activities) by the Issuer will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

For purposes of the Diversity Test, multiple Structured Finance Obligations from CLOs serviced by the same Servicer or multiple Structured Finance Obligations issued by the same master trust will be considered to be obligations of one issuer.

**“Subordinated Lien Loan”:** A Secured Loan (other than a Second Lien Loan) secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**“Subordinated Servicing Fee”:** An amount payable on each Payment Date equal to the sum of (i) a fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.40% *per annum* of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments and (ii) on any Payment Date that any part of the Subordinated Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period *plus* 3.00% *per annum*. The portion of the Subordinated Servicing Fee in clauses (i) and (ii) above, as applicable, shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

**“Substantially Similar Law”:** State, local or other federal and non-U.S. laws that are substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code to which governmental plans, certain church plans and non-U.S. plans, while not subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA or the provisions of Section 4975 of the Code, may nevertheless be subject.

**“Successor Entity”:** The meaning specified in Section 7.10.

**“Super Majority”:** With respect to any Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**“Supplemental Servicing Fee”:** On each Payment Date, the fee, if any, payable to the Servicer in an amount equal to: (i) 20% of the remaining Interest Proceeds, if any, available after making the distributions on such Payment Date pursuant to Section 11.1(c)(i)(19) and (ii) 20% of the remaining Principal Proceeds, if any, available for payment in respect of the Supplemental Servicing Fee pursuant to Section 11.1(c)(ii)(11)(A) and, if applicable, Section 11.1(c)(ii)(15).

**“Synthetic Letter of Credit”:** A facility whereby (i) an agent bank issues or will issue a letter of credit for or on behalf of a borrower pursuant to an Underlying Instrument, (ii) the lender/participant pre-funds in full its obligations thereunder (provided that for the avoidance of doubt if funds are deposited to the Revolving Reserve Account with respect to such Synthetic Letter of Credit, such future funding obligations shall be deemed to be pre-funded) and upon such pre-funding, the lender/participant has no future funding obligations with respect to such Synthetic Letter of Credit and (iii) either (x) in the event that the letter of credit is drawn upon and the borrower does not reimburse the agent bank, the amounts pre-funded by the lender/participant are utilized by the agent bank to reimburse the agent bank for such amounts not funded by the borrower or (y) the agent bank passes on (in whole or in part) the fees it receives for providing the letter of credit to the lender/participant; *provided* that, with respect to any Synthetic Letter of Credit, either (i) the related agent bank has confirmed to the Issuer that it will withhold taxes from fees paid to the Issuer, or (ii) if the Issuer, or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, determines in its reasonable discretion that it is probable that such Synthetic Letter of Credit will be subject to withholding tax, then the Issuer, or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, either (x) disposes of such Synthetic Letter of Credit or (y) establishes an account with the Trustee into which 30% of all fee income from such Synthetic Letter of Credit will be transferred and applied to the payment of any withholding tax imposed on the related fees

received by the Issuer (it being understood that such reserved amounts shall be released and applied as Interest Proceeds at any later date if (A) the Issuer has received an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the Issuer is no longer responsible for any withholding tax payments on such Synthetic Letter of Credit or (B) the Rating Condition with respect to S&P (so long as any Class of Notes is rated by S&P) is satisfied with respect to such release of the reserved amounts).

**“Synthetic Security”**: Any swap transaction, structured bond, credit linked note or other derivative financial instrument providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a debt instrument (but excluding any such instrument relating directly to a basket or portfolio of debt instruments) or an index or indices (such as the “SAMI” index published by Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC) in connection with a basket or portfolio of debt instruments or other similar instruments entered into by the Issuer with a Synthetic Security Counterparty that has in the Servicer’s commercially reasonable judgment, equivalent expected loss characteristics (those characteristics, **“credit risk”**) to those of the related Reference Obligations (taking account of those considerations as they relate to the Synthetic Security Counterparty), if (i) it is either a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied, and (ii) the Reference Obligations thereof have a Market Value equal to at least 85% of the Principal Balance of the Reference Obligation at the time the Synthetic Security is entered into.

**“Synthetic Security Agreement”**: The documentation governing any Synthetic Security.

**“Synthetic Security Collateral”**: With respect to any Synthetic Security, amounts posted to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account by the Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its obligations under the Synthetic Security, including (i) all Eligible Investments that mature no later than the Stated Maturity or (ii) floating rate credit card securitizations that are rated “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P that mature no later than the Stated Maturity in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account that are purchased with Synthetic Security Collateral; *provided* that any amounts described in clause (ii) above shall be hedged by a guaranteed investment contract or a total return swap which shall be subject to Rating Confirmation by S&P.

**“Synthetic Security Collateral Account”**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(e).

**“Synthetic Security Counterparty”**: Any entity required to make payments on a Synthetic Security to the extent that a Reference Obligor makes payments on a related Reference Obligation.

**“Synthetic Security Counterparty Account”**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.5.

**“Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction”**: One of the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the Netherlands Antilles or the tax advantaged jurisdiction of the Channel Islands, or such other jurisdiction that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto; *provided* that any Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction that is the jurisdiction of organization of an obligor of a Collateral Obligation other than obligors that are special purpose vehicles or issuers of Structured Finance Obligations shall have a Moody’s foreign currency rating of at least “Aa2” and a S&P foreign currency rating of at least “AA-”.

**“Tax Event”**: An event that occurs if either:

(i) (A) one or more Collateral Obligations that were not subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them have become subject to withholding tax (**“New Withholding Tax Obligations”**) or the rate of withholding has increased on one or more Collateral Obligations that were subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them (**“Increased Rate Withholding Tax Obligations”**) and (B) in any Due Period, the aggregate of the payments subject to withholding tax on New Withholding Tax Obligations and the increase in payments subject to withholding tax on Increased Rate Withholding Tax Obligations, in each case to the extent not “grossed-up” (on an after-tax basis) by the related obligor, represent 5% or more of Interest Proceeds for the Due Period; or

(ii) taxes, fees, assessments, or other similar charges are imposed on the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in an aggregate amount in any twelve-month period in excess of U.S.\$2,000,000, other than any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax with respect to any payment owing in respect of any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation.

**“Tax Opinion of Counsel”**: A written opinion addressed to the Issuer (a copy of which will be provided to the Trustee) and, if requested, each Rating Agency that has made such request, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and each Rating Agency, issued by a nationally recognized law firm reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee, which law firm is experienced in the relevant areas of tax law, and which law firm may be counsel for the Servicer or the Issuer.

**“Transaction Reports”**: The meaning specified in Section 14.4.

**“Transfer Agent”**: The Person or Persons, which may be the Issuer, authorized by the Issuer to exchange or register the transfer of Notes.

**“Transferee Certificate”**: A certificate substantially in the form of, with respect to the Senior Notes, Exhibit B-1 or, with respect to the Class E Notes, Exhibit B-4 attached hereto, duly completed as appropriate.

**“Treasury Regulations”**: The regulations, including proposed or temporary regulations, promulgated under the Code. References herein to specific provisions of proposed or temporary regulations shall include analogous provisions of final Treasury Regulations or other successor Treasury Regulations.

**“Trust Officer”**: When used with respect to the Trustee, any officer in the Corporate Trust Office (or any successor group of the Trustee) including any director, vice president, assistant vice president, associate, or any other officer of the Trustee customarily performing functions similar to those performed by such officers in the Corporate Trust Office, or to whom any corporate trust matter is referred at the Corporate Trust Office because of his knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject and having direct responsibility for the administration of this Indenture.

**“Trustee”**: As defined in the first sentence of this Indenture.

**“UCC”**: The Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the State of New York, and as amended from time to time.

**“Uncertificated Security”**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(18) of the UCC.

**“Underlying Instrument”**: The loan agreement, indenture, credit agreement, or other agreement pursuant to which a Pledged Obligation has been issued or created and each other agreement that governs the terms of or secures the obligations represented by the Pledged Obligation or of which the holders of the Pledged Obligation are the beneficiaries.

**“Unfunded Amount”**: With respect to any Revolving Loan or any Delayed Drawdown Loan at any time, the excess, if any, of (a) the Commitment Amount over (b) the Funded Amount thereof.

**“Unregistered Securities”**: The meaning specified in Section 5.17(c).

**“Unscheduled Principal Payments”**: Any principal payments received with respect to a Collateral Obligation as a result of optional redemptions, exchange offers, tender offers, other payments or prepayments made at the option of the issuer thereof or that are otherwise not scheduled to be made thereunder.

**“U.S. Person”**: A beneficial owner of a Security that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a citizen or individual resident of the United States of America, an entity treated for United States federal income tax purposes as a corporation or a partnership created or organized in or under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof or the District of Columbia, an estate the income of which is includable in gross income for U.S. federal income tax purposes regardless of its source, or a trust if, in general, a court within the United States of America is able to exercise primary supervision over its administration and one or more U.S. Persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of such trust, and certain eligible trusts that have elected to be treated as U.S. Persons.

**“Valuation Report”**: The meaning specified in Section 10.6(b).

**“Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon”**: As of any Measurement Date, the rate obtained by:

(i) *multiplying* the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Fixed Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date *by* the current *per annum* rate at which it pays interest (other than, with respect to Collateral Obligations that are not PIK Securities, any interest that is not required to be paid in Cash and may be deferred), using only the effective after-tax interest rate determined by the Servicer on any Fixed Rate Obligation after taking into account any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction and any gross-up paid by the obligor);

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);

(iii) *dividing* the sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations that are Fixed Rate Obligations held *by* the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, adding to the sum the amount of any Spread Excess as of the Measurement Date, but only to the extent required to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test.

**“Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test”**: A test that is satisfied if, as of any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 7.5%.

**“Weighted Average Life”**: As of any Measurement Date, the number obtained by

(i) summing the products obtained by *multiplying*

(A) the Average Life at that time of each Collateral Obligation *by*

(B) the Principal Balance at that time of the Collateral Obligation and

(ii) *dividing* that sum *by* the Aggregate Principal Balance at that time of all Collateral Obligations.

**“Weighted Average Life Test”**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the greater of (a) the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and May 1, 2018 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date and (b) four years.

**“Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor”**: The summation of the products obtained by *multiplying* the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation (excluding Eligible Investments) *by* its respective Moody’s Rating Factor, *dividing* that sum *by* the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) and rounding the result up to the nearest whole number.

**“Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test”**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody’s Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 44.50%.

**“Weighted Average Rating Factor Test”**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of such Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor.

**“Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test”**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Recovery Rate for each Class of Notes is greater than or equal to: (i) with respect to the Class A Notes, 58.50%; (ii) with respect to the Class B Notes, 61.75%; (iii)

with respect to the Class C Notes, 65.00%; (iv) with respect to the Class D Notes, 67.75% and (v) with respect to the Class E Notes, 70.75%.

**“Weighted Average Spread”:** As of any Measurement Date, a rate obtained by:

(i) *multiplying* the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Floating Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current *per annum* contract spread at which it pays interest (which (w) for PIK Securities for which interest has been deferred or capitalized, will be deemed to be zero, (x) for Collateral Obligations that would be PIK Securities but for the proviso in the definition thereof, will be deemed to be equal to the effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest applicable thereto, (y) for any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, will be the *per annum* contract spread for the Funded Amount thereof and the rate of the commitment fee and such other fees payable to the Issuer for any Unfunded Amount thereof and (z) for any synthetic letter of credit, will be the all-in rate net of withholding taxes (including any fees payable to the Issuer by the underlying obligor) minus the applicable LIBOR), determined with respect to any Floating Rate Obligation that does not bear interest based on a London interbank offered rate, by expressing the current interest rate on the Floating Rate Obligation as a spread above a three month London interbank offered rate calculated in a manner consistent with the calculation of LIBOR;

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);

(iii) *dividing* that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to pass the Weighted Average Spread Test, adding to that sum the amount of Fixed Rate Excess as of the Measurement Date.

**“Weighted Average Spread Test”:** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread.

**“Workout Assets”:** A Loan, High-Yield Bond, or Qualified Equity Security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation that the Issuer does not advance any funds to purchase that does not qualify as a Collateral Obligation.

**“Written-Down Obligation”:** As of any date of determination, any Structured Finance Obligation as to which the Issuer or the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, has been notified by the issuer of the Structured Finance Obligation that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Structured Finance Obligation and all other Structured Finance Obligations secured by the same pool of collateral that rank *pari passu* with or senior in priority of payment to the Structured Finance Obligation exceeds the aggregate principal balance (including reserved interest or other amounts available for overcollateralization) of all collateral securing the Structured Finance Obligation and such other *pari passu* and senior Structured Finance Obligations (excluding defaulted collateral).



**“Zero-Coupon Security”:** A security that, at the time of determination, does not make periodic payments of interest. A Zero-Coupon Security shall not include a security that is a PIK Security.

**Section 1.2 Assumptions as to Pledged Obligations; Construction Conventions.**

This Section 1.2 shall be applied in connection with all calculations required to be made pursuant to this Indenture:

- with respect to the scheduled payment of principal or interest on any Pledged Obligation, or any payments on any other assets included in the Collateral,
- with respect to the sale of and acquisition of Collateral Obligations,
- with respect to the income that can be earned on the scheduled payment of principal or interest on the Pledged Obligations and on any other amounts that may be received for deposit in the Collection Account, and
- with respect to the treatment of Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement.

The provisions of this Section 1.2 shall be applicable to any determination or calculation that is covered by this Section 1.2, whether or not reference is specifically made to Section 1.2, unless some other method of calculation or determination is expressly specified in the particular provision.

(a) All calculations with respect to the scheduled payment of principal or interest on the Pledged Obligations shall be made on the basis of information as to the terms of each Pledged Obligation and on reports of payments received on the Pledged Obligation that are furnished by or on behalf of the issuer of the Pledged Obligation and, to the extent they are not manifestly in error, the information or report may be conclusively relied on in making the calculations.

(b) For each Due Period and as of any Measurement Date, the scheduled payment of principal or interest on any Pledged Obligation shall be the sum of

(i) the total amount of payments and collections reasonably expected to be received during the Due Period in respect of the Pledged Obligation that, if paid as scheduled, will be available for payment on the Notes and of certain expenses of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer in the Collection Account at the end of the Due Period; and

(ii) any such amounts received in prior Due Periods that were not disbursed on a previous Payment Date.

Except as provided in paragraph (h) below, a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation shall be assumed to have a scheduled payment of principal and interest of zero.

The total amount of payments and collections reasonably expected to be received includes the proceeds of the sale of the Pledged Obligation received and, in the case of sales which have not yet settled, to be received during the Due Period and not used to purchase

additional Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty, Securities Lending Counterparty, or Hedge Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security, Securities Lending Agreement, or Hedge Agreement) or Eligible Investments or retained in the Collection Account for subsequent application thereof to purchase additional Collateral Obligations pursuant to Section 12.2.

(c) For purposes of the applicable determinations required by Article 12 and the definition of "Interest Coverage Ratio," the expected interest on Collateral Obligations shall be calculated using their then current interest rates.

(d) With respect to any Collateral Obligation, the date on which it "matures" (or its "maturity" date) shall be the earlier of

(i) the stated maturity of the obligation or

(ii) if the Issuer has the right to require the issuer or obligor of the Collateral Obligation to purchase, redeem, or retire the Collateral Obligation at a price of at least par on any one or more dates before its Stated Maturity (a "put right") and the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that it will cause the Issuer to direct the Trustee to exercise the put right on a date, the maturity date shall be the date specified in the certification.

(e) For purposes of calculating compliance with the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), the Coverage Tests and the Interest Diversion Test, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligations. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligations.

(f) Any Collateral Obligation loaned to a Securities Lending Counterparty shall be included in the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests and the Interest Diversion Test, and the Principal Balance of any Collateral Obligation loaned to a Securities Lending Counterparty shall be included in the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations, in each case unless an "event of default" (under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing.

(g) If a Class of Notes ceases to be Outstanding, then any Coverage Test computed by reference to the Class of Notes (but not to any subordinate Class of Notes then Outstanding) shall cease to be of any force.

(h) For purposes of calculating compliance with the Eligibility Criteria (other than the Weighted Average Life Test), at the direction of the Servicer by notice to the Trustee, during the Replacement Period any Eligible Investment representing Principal Proceeds received upon the maturity, redemption, sale, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation (or, after the Replacement Period, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations) shall be deemed to have the characteristics of the disposed Collateral Obligation until used to purchase an additional Collateral Obligation. The calculations shall be based on the Principal Balance of the disposed Collateral Obligations except in the case of Defaulted Collateral Obligations and Credit Risk Securities, in which case the calculations will be based on the Principal Proceeds received on the disposition or sale of the Defaulted Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation.

### **Section 1.3 Rules of Interpretation.**

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture or unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

(a) Defined terms include, as appropriate, all genders and the plural as well as the singular.

(b) References to designated articles, sections, subsections, exhibits, and other subdivisions of this Indenture, such as “Section 6.13 (a)”, refer to the designated article, section, subsection, exhibit, or other subdivision of this Indenture as a whole and to all subdivisions of the designated article, section, subsection, exhibit, or other subdivision. The words “herein”, “hereof”, “hereto”, “hereunder” and other words of similar import refer to this Indenture as a whole and not to any particular article, section, exhibit, or other subdivision of this Indenture.

(c) Any term that relates to a document or a statute, rule, or regulation includes any amendments, modifications, supplements, or any other changes that may have occurred since the document, statute, rule, or regulation came into being, including changes that occur after the date of this Indenture. References to law are not limited to statutes. Any reference to any Person includes references to its successors and assigns.

(d) Any party may execute any of the requirements under this Indenture either directly or through others, and the right to cause something to be done rather than doing it directly shall be implicit in every requirement under this Indenture. Unless a provision is restricted as to time or limited as to frequency, all provisions under this Indenture are implicitly available and things may happen from time to time.

(e) The term “including” and all its variations mean “including but not limited to.” Except when used in conjunction with the word “either”, the word “or” is always used inclusively (for example, the phrase “A or B” means “A or B or both”, not “either A or B but not both”).

(f) A reference to “a thing” or “any of a thing” does not imply the existence or occurrence of the thing referred to even though not followed by “if any”, and “any of a thing” is any and all of it. A reference to the plural of anything as to which there could be either one or

more than one does not imply the existence of more than one (for instance, the phrase “the obligors on a note” means “the obligor or obligors on a note”). “Until something occurs” does not imply that it must occur, and will not be modified by the word “unless.” The word “due” and the word “payable” are each used in the sense that the stated time for payment has passed. The word “accrued” is used in its accounting sense, *i.e.*, an amount paid is no longer accrued. In the calculation of amounts of things, differences and sums may generally result in negative numbers, but when the calculation of the excess of one thing over another results in zero or a negative number, the calculation is disregarded and an “excess” does not exist. Portions of things may be expressed as fractions or percentages interchangeably. The word “shall” is used in its imperative sense, as for instance meaning a party agrees to something or something must occur or exist.

(g) All accounting terms used in an accounting context and not otherwise defined, and accounting terms partly defined in this Indenture, to the extent not completely defined, shall be construed in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. To the extent that the definitions of accounting terms in this Indenture are inconsistent with their meanings under generally accepted accounting principles, the definitions contained in this Indenture shall control.

(h) In the computation of a period of time from a specified date to a later specified date or an open-ended period, the words “from” and “beginning” mean “from and including”, the word “after” means “from but excluding,” the words “to” and “until” mean “to but excluding”, and the word “through” means “to and including.” Likewise, in setting deadlines or other periods, “by” means “on or before.” The words “preceding”, “following”, “before”, “after”, “next” and words of similar import, mean immediately preceding or following. References to a month or a year refer to calendar months and calendar years.

(i) Any reference to the enforceability of any agreement against a party means that it is enforceable against the party in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, and other similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors’ rights and to general equity principles.

(j) Except when only the registered holder is recognized, such as in Section 2.9, references to Noteholders, holders, and the like refer equally to beneficial owners who have an interest in a Note but are not reflected in the Indenture Register as the owner.

## ARTICLE 2

### THE NOTES

#### **Section 2.1 Forms Generally.**

The Notes and the Trustee’s or Authenticating Agent’s certificate of authentication on them (the “*Certificate of Authentication*”) shall be in substantially the forms required by this Article, with appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions, and other variations required or permitted by this Indenture, and may have any letters, numbers, or other marks of identification and any legends or endorsements on them that are consistent with this Indenture, as determined by the Authorized Officers of the Issuer executing the Notes as evidenced by their execution of the Notes.

## Section 2.2 Forms of Notes and Certificate of Authentication.

(a) The Senior Notes, including the Regulation S Global Notes, Rule 144A Global Notes and Certificate of Authentication, shall be in the forms of the applicable portion of Exhibit A-1.

(b) *Regulation S Global Notes.* The Senior Notes of each Class sold to non-U.S. persons in off-shore transactions in reliance on Regulation S shall each be represented by one or more global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit A-1, including legends (the “**Regulation S Global Notes**”). The global notes shall be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for the Senior Notes represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, the Depository for the respective accounts of Euroclear and Clearstream, duly executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided. The aggregate principal amount of the Regulation S Global Notes may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee or the Depository or its nominee, as the case may be, as hereinafter provided. As used above and in subsection (d) below, “U.S. person” and “off-shore transaction” have the meanings assigned to them in Regulation S.

(c) *Rule 144A Global Notes.* The Senior Notes of each Class initially sold to U.S. persons that are Qualified Institutional Buyers (or, solely in the case of certain Holders purchasing Certificated Notes on the Closing Date, Institutional Accredited Investors) and Qualified Purchasers shall each be issued initially in the form of one permanent global note per Class in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit A-1, including legends (each, a “**Rule 144A Global Note**”), which shall be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for the Senior Notes represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, the Depository, duly executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided. The aggregate principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Notes may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee or the Depository or its nominee, as the case may be, as hereinafter provided.

(d) *Book-Entry Provisions.* This Section 2.2(d) shall apply only to Global Notes deposited with or on behalf of the Depository. The “Operating Procedures of the Euroclear System” of Euroclear and the “Terms and Conditions Governing Use of Participants” of Clearstream, respectively, shall be applicable to the Regulation S Global Notes insofar as interests in the Global Notes are held by the Agent Members of Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be.

Agent Members shall have no rights under this Indenture with respect to any Global Note held on their behalf by the Trustee, as custodian for the Depository and the Depository may be treated by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, and any agent of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee as the absolute owner of the Senior Note for all purposes whatsoever. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing in this Indenture shall prevent the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, or any agent of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee, from giving effect to any written certification, proxy, or other authorization furnished by the Depository or impair, as between the Depository and its Agent Members, the

operation of customary practices governing the exercise of the rights of a Holder of any Senior Note.

(e) Some of the Class C Notes and Class D Notes, and all of the Class E Notes, shall be issued in the form of one or more certificated Notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of Exhibit A-2, including legends, which shall be registered in the name of the owner thereof (each, a “*Certificated Note*”).

### **Section 2.3 Authorized Amount; Denominations.**

(a) The aggregate principal amount of Notes that may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture is limited to U.S.\$467,250,000, except for Notes authenticated and delivered upon registration of, transfer of, or in exchange for, or in lieu of, other Notes pursuant to Sections 2.6, 2.7, or 8.5.

(b) The Notes shall be divided into the following Classes, having the designations, original principal amounts and other characteristics as follows:

Class	A	B	C	D	E
Original Principal Amount	\$376,000,000	\$29,500,000	\$25,250,000	\$19,250,000	\$17,250,000
Interest Rate	LIBOR + 0.65%	LIBOR + 1.65%	LIBOR + 2.75%	LIBOR + 5.25%	LIBOR + 9.50%
Initial Rating (Moody's/S&P)	Aaa/AAA	Aa2/AA	A2/A	Baa2/BBB	Ba2/BB

(c) The Notes will be issuable in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000, and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess of that amount.

(d) The Issuer will also issue 12,000 Class I Preference Shares and 36,000 Class II Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, simultaneously with the issuance of the Notes under this Indenture. At any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the proceeds from such issuance and sale to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or as otherwise permitted under the Preference Share Documents and this Indenture pursuant to Section 6 of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. The Preference Shares are not secured by the lien of this Indenture. Any payments made by the Trustee hereunder with respect to the Preference Shares (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) will be released by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent on each Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment, subject to Cayman Islands law, to Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends or Redemption Price, as applicable, and in accordance with the provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

## **Section 2.4 Extension of Replacement Period and Stated Maturity.**

(a) The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Replacement Period to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date up to a maximum of four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date in accordance with this Section 2.4 and (ii) the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.4(c) are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period to the Trustee no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Securities or amendment or supplement to this Indenture or the Preference Share Documents (the “**Maturity Extension**”); *provided* that the Issuer will not be permitted to effect more than four Maturity Extensions.

(b) In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Securities wishing to sell all or a portion of such Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to Section 2.4(d) (such Securities as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, “**Extension Sale Securities**”). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in connection with an Extension Sale, all, but not part, of the Extension Sale Securities shall be purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date.

(c) The Maturity Extension shall be effective only if the following conditions (the “**Extension Conditions**”) are satisfied:

(i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the applicable Extension Effective Date;

(ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions in this Indenture and the Preference Share Documents immediately after such purchase and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency);

(iii) (a) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to S&P (so long as any Notes are then rated by S&P) and (b) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to Moody’s (so long as any Notes are then rated by Moody’s);

(iv) the Issuer has not effected more than three prior Extensions; and

(v) such extension is not effected for the primary purpose of decreasing losses or recognizing gains resulting from market value changes.

The Issuer, the Trustee and, by its acceptance of the Notes, each Noteholder agrees that the Initial Purchaser shall not be responsible for causing the Extension Conditions to be satisfied and the Initial Purchaser shall not be liable to any such Person or Noteholders (whether or not such Holder gave an Extension Sale Notice with respect to its Notes) or to any other Person if the Extension Conditions are not satisfied. Failure of the Extension Conditions to be satisfied shall not constitute a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture. The Trustee shall be entitled to receive and rely conclusively on a certificate of the Issuer as to compliance with the extension provisions, as provided in Section 2.4(e) below.

(d) Extension Procedure.

(i) Not later than three Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Issuer of its election to extend the Replacement Period (the “**Extension Notice**”), the Trustee shall mail the Extension Notice to all Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding), in the form of Exhibit J, and shall request the Rating Confirmation for the Maturity Extension from each Rating Agency, if applicable;

(ii) Any Holder of the Securities may deliver an irrevocable written notice (an “**Extension Sale Notice**”) to the Issuer and the Trustee within 30 days after the Trustee has mailed the Extension Notice (the “**Extension Sale Notice Period**”) of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of the Securities that has not delivered such an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be entitled to sell its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension; and

(iii) If clause (iii)(b) of the Extension Conditions is not satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date as determined by the Issuer (or its agent) and notified to the Trustee, the Trustee shall request the Rating Condition to be satisfied with respect to Moody’s.

(e) On the applicable Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or its agent) shall confirm, as shall be certified to the Trustee by a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer (i) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Extension Sale Securities in compliance with all transfer restrictions in this Indenture and the Preference Share Documents and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (ii) whether the requirements of clause (c)(iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date and (iii) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

(f) On each Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension shall automatically become effective under the terms of this Indenture; *provided* that all Extension Conditions set



forth in subparagraph (c) above, and other applicable requirements of this Section 2.4 are satisfied, as determined by the Issuer upon consultation with the Servicer (and as certified to the Trustee by a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer). No later than two Business Days after each Extension Effective Date, the Trustee based on such determination made by the Issuer in consultation with the Servicer, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail a notice to all Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) and the ISE (if and for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed thereon) confirming whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension became effective, the Issuer shall make any required notifications thereof to the Depository for any Notes subject to the Maturity Extension.

(g) In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Noteholder, other than a Holder of Extension Sale Securities, shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment. Holders of Preference Shares shall not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

The Extension Bonus Payment shall be payable to any applicable qualifying beneficial owners, as determined by the Issuer, who have provided the Trustee with an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification on the first Payment Date from and including each Extension Effective Date on which funds are available to be used for such purposes in accordance with Priority of Payments, but in any event, no later than the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption of the Notes. Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments shall not be considered “due and payable” hereunder. The failure to pay any such Extension Bonus Payment on such date shall not be an Event of Default, unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Securities. Unpaid Extension Bonus Payments shall not accrue interest. Such amounts shall be paid, in the case of the Notes, to the accounts designated in the applicable Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification or, to the extent otherwise required by the rules of any applicable securities exchange or clearing agency, in a manner determined by the Issuer.

(h) If any Holder of Class II Preference Shares delivers an Extension Sale Notice notifying the Issuer and the Trustee of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Class II Preference Shares, such Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to the Extension Qualifying Purchaser and such Preference Shares will, subject to the terms of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, be converted into Class I Preference Shares, which shall be effected by a redemption by the Issuer of the applicable Class II Preference Shares and an issue of an equivalent number of Class I Preference Shares.

## **Section 2.5 Execution, Authentication, Delivery, and Dating.**

The Notes shall be executed on behalf of each of the Applicable Issuers by one of their respective Authorized Officers. The signature of the Authorized Officer on the Notes may be manual or facsimile.

Notes bearing the manual or facsimile signatures of individuals who were at any time the Authorized Officers of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, shall bind the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, notwithstanding that any of them have ceased to hold their offices before the authentication and delivery of the Notes or did not hold their offices at the date of issuance of the Notes.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Indenture, the Co-Issuers may deliver the Senior Notes and the Issuer may deliver the Class E Notes, in each case executed by the Applicable Issuers to the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent, for authentication and the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent, upon Issuer Order, shall authenticate and deliver the Notes as provided in this Indenture and not otherwise.

Each Note authenticated and delivered by the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent upon Issuer Order on the Closing Date shall be dated as of the Closing Date. All other Notes that are authenticated after the Closing Date for any other purpose under this Indenture shall be dated the date of their authentication.

Notes issued upon transfer, exchange, or replacement of other Notes shall be issued in authorized denominations reflecting the original Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes so transferred, exchanged, or replaced, but shall represent only the current outstanding principal amount of the Notes so transferred, exchanged, or replaced. If any Note is divided into more than one Note in accordance with this Article 2, the original principal amount of the Note shall be proportionately divided among the Notes delivered in exchange for it and shall be the original aggregate principal amount of the subsequently issued Notes.

No Note shall be entitled to any benefit under this Indenture or be valid or obligatory for any purpose, unless there appears on the Note a Certificate of Authentication executed by the Trustee or by the Authenticating Agent by the manual signature of one of their Authorized Officers, and that certificate on any Note shall be conclusive evidence, and the only evidence, that the Note has been duly authenticated and delivered under this Indenture.

## **Section 2.6 Registration, Registration of Transfer and Exchange.**

(a) The Issuer shall cause a register (the “*Indenture Register*”) to be kept in which the Issuer shall provide for the registration of Notes and the registration of transfers of Notes. The Trustee is hereby initially appointed “*Indenture Registrar*” for the purpose of registering Notes and transfers of the Notes as provided in this Indenture. The Issuer may rely conclusively on any such information provided to it by the Trustee. Upon any resignation or removal of the Indenture Registrar, the Issuer shall promptly appoint a successor and notify the Servicer of the appointment or, in the absence of such appointment, assume the duties of Indenture Registrar.

If the Issuer appoints a Person other than the Trustee to be Indenture Registrar, the Issuer will give the Trustee prompt written notice of the appointment of the Indenture Registrar and of the location, and any change in the location, of the Indenture Register. The Trustee may inspect the Indenture Register at all reasonable times and obtain copies of it. The Trustee may rely on a certificate executed on behalf of the Indenture Registrar by an Officer of the Indenture Registrar

as to the names and addresses of the Noteholders and the principal amounts and number of the Notes.

Upon surrender for registration of transfer of any Notes at the office or agency of the Applicable Issuers to be maintained pursuant to Section 7.2, if the requirements of this Indenture are met the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in the name of the designated transferees, new Notes of any authorized denomination and of a like original Aggregate Outstanding Amount.

At the option of their Holder, Notes may be exchanged for Notes of like terms, in any authorized denominations and of like aggregate principal amount, upon surrender of the Notes to be exchanged at the office or agency of the Applicable Issuers to be maintained pursuant to Section 7.2. Whenever any Note is surrendered for exchange, the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, the Notes that the Noteholder making the exchange is entitled to receive.

All Notes issued on any registration of transfer or exchange of Notes shall be the valid obligations of the Applicable Issuers evidencing the same obligations and entitled to the same benefits under this Indenture as the Notes surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

Every Note presented or surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange shall be duly endorsed, or be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Indenture Registrar duly executed by its holder or his attorney duly authorized in writing.

No Holder shall incur a service charge for any registration of transfer or exchange of the Notes, but the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

(b) No Note may be sold or transferred (including by pledge or hypothecation) unless the sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, is exempt from the registration requirements under applicable state securities laws, and will not cause either of the Co-Issuers to become subject to the requirement that it register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act. None of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee or any other Person shall have any obligation to register the Notes under the Securities Act or any state securities laws.

(c) (i) In the case of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes, on each day from the date on which a Holder or transferee acquires such Holder's or subsequent transferee's interest in such Notes through and including the date on which such Holder or subsequent transferee disposes of such Holder's or subsequent transferee's interest in such Notes, such Holder or subsequent transferee (and each fiduciary acting on behalf of a Holder or a subsequent transferee (both in its fiduciary and corporate capacity)) shall be deemed to represent either that (A) such Holder or subsequent transferee is neither a Plan nor an entity whose underlying assets include "plan assets" by reason of such Plan's investment in the entity, nor a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan which is subject to any Substantially Similar Law or (B) (1) in connection with the acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class A Note, Class B Note, Class C Notes or Class D Note, the Holder's or transferee's fiduciary has

determined that such Holder or transferee is receiving no less, and paying no more, than “adequate consideration” (within the meaning of Section 408(b)(17)(B) of ERISA and Section 4975(f)(10) of the Code) and (2) such Holder’s or transferee’s acquisition, holding and disposition of such Notes will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan, a violation of any Substantially Similar Law). Any purported purchase or transfer of the Senior Notes to a Holder or transferee that does not comply with the requirements of this subsection (i) shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(ii) (A) Each Holder or subsequent transferee of a Class E Note (and each fiduciary acting on behalf of a Holder or a subsequent transferee (both in its fiduciary and corporate capacity)) will be required to represent whether such Holder or subsequent transferee is (or is not, as applicable) a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person. No Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person will be permitted to purchase Class E Notes unless such Holder’s or subsequent transferee’s acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class E Notes, (x) will not cause participation by Benefit Plan Investors to be “significant” within the meaning of the Plan Asset Regulation and (y) (1) in connection with the acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class E Note, the Holder’s or subsequent transferee’s fiduciary has determined that such Holder or subsequent transferee is receiving no less, and paying no more, than “adequate consideration” (within the meaning of Section 408(b)(17)(B) of ERISA and Section 4975(f)(10) of the Code) and (2) such Holder’s or subsequent transferee’s acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class E Notes will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code. If the Holder or the subsequent transferee is a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan that is subject to any Substantially Similar Law, such Holder or subsequent transferee (and each fiduciary acting on behalf of a Holder or a subsequent transferee (both in its fiduciary and corporate capacity)) shall represent and warrant that such Holder’s or subsequent transferee’s acquisition, holding and disposition of a Class E Note will not constitute or result in a non-exempt violation of any such Substantially Similar Law.

(B) In determining whether participation by Benefit Plan Investors is “significant”, Class E Notes beneficially held by (1) the Servicer, the Trustee, any of their respective Affiliates, employees of the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates and any charitable foundation of any such employees or (2) persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons, will be disregarded and will not be treated as Outstanding for purposes of whether participation by Benefit Plan Investors is “significant” to the extent that persons listed in (1) or (2) are not Benefit Plan Investors.

(C) Each Holder or subsequent transferee (and each fiduciary acting on behalf of a Holder or a subsequent transferee (both in its fiduciary and corporate capacity)) acknowledges that a transfer of the Class E Notes will not be permitted, and no such transfer or exchange will be registered under this Indenture, to the extent that the transfer or exchange would result in Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class E Notes

immediately after such transfer or exchange (determined in accordance with the Plan Asset Regulation and this Indenture).

(iii) If any Person shall become the beneficial owner of an interest in a Class E Note who has made a Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person representation that is subsequently shown to be false or misleading or whose beneficial ownership otherwise causes a violation of the 25% Limitation (any such person a “***Non-Permitted ERISA Holder***”), the Issuer shall, promptly after discovery that such person is a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee (and notice by the Trustee or the Co-Issuer to the Issuer, if either of them makes the discovery), send notice to such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder demanding that such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder transfer its interest to a person that is not a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder within 14 days of the date of such notice. If such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder fails to so transfer its Class E Notes, the Issuer shall have the right, without further notice to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder, to sell (and shall sell if directed to do so by the Servicer) such Class E Notes or interest in such Class E Notes, to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is not a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder on such terms as the Issuer may choose. The Issuer, or the Trustee acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting one or more bids from one or more brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Class E Notes and selling such Class E Notes to the highest such bidder. However, the Issuer or the Trustee may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Class E Note, the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder, by its acceptance of an interest in the Class E Notes, agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Trustee to effect such transfers. The proceeds of such sale, net of any commissions, expenses and taxes due in connection with such sale, shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder. The terms and conditions of any sale under this subsection (iii) shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer, and none of the Issuer, the Servicer or the Trustee shall be liable to any Person having an interest in the Class E Notes sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of such discretion (including for the price of such sale).

(d) None of the Trustee, the Share Registrar or the Indenture Registrar shall be responsible for ascertaining whether any transfer complies with, or for otherwise monitoring or determining compliance with, the requirements or terms of the Securities Act, applicable state securities laws, ERISA, the Code or the Investment Company Act; except that if a certificate or any other document is specifically required by this Section 2.6 to be provided to the Trustee, the Share Registrar or the Indenture Registrar by a prospective transferee, the Trustee, the Share Registrar or the Indenture Registrar, as applicable, shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine whether it conforms substantially on its face to the applicable requirements of this Section 2.6.

(e) For so long as any of the Notes are Outstanding, the Issuer shall not issue or register the transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares to U.S. persons and the Co-Issuer shall not issue or register the transfer of any of its shares of the Co-Issuer to U.S. persons. As used in this subsection (e), “U.S. person” has the meaning assigned to it in Regulation S.

(f) So long as a Global Note remains Outstanding and is held by or on behalf of the Depository, transfers of the Global Note, in whole or in part, shall only be made in accordance with Section 2.2(c), Section 2.6(c) and this Section 2.6(f).

(i) Subject to clauses (ii), (iii) and (iv) of this Section 2.6(f), transfers of a Global Note shall be limited to transfers of the Global Note in whole, but not in part, to nominees of the Depository.

(ii) *Rule 144A Global Note to Regulation S Global Note.* If a Holder of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note deposited with the Depository wishes at any time to exchange its interest in the Rule 144A Global Note for an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note, or to transfer its interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to a Person who wishes to take delivery of it in the form of an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note, the Holder may exchange or transfer the interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note (subject to the rules and procedures of the Depository) if the Holder after the exchange or transfer is not a U.S. person.

The Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository to reduce the principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Note and to increase the principal amount of the Regulation S Global Note by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to be exchanged, and to credit to the securities account of the Person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note equal to the reduction in the principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Note upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of:

(A) instructions given in accordance with the Depository's procedures from an Agent Member directing the Indenture Registrar to credit a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to the Holder's Senior Notes, equal to the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to be exchanged or transferred,

(B) a written order given in accordance with the Depository's procedures containing information regarding the participant account of the Depository and the Euroclear or Clearstream account to be credited with the increase,

(C) the transferor shall be deemed to make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-3 given by the Holder of the beneficial interest stating that the exchange or transfer of the interest has been made in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Global Notes, including that the Holder or the transferee, as applicable, is not a U.S. person, and that the transfer has been made pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S, and

(D) the transferee shall be deemed to make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in a certificate in the applicable form of Exhibit B-1 given by the proposed transferee stating that it is not a U.S. person.

(iii) *Regulation S Global Note to Rule 144A Global Note.* If a Holder of a Senior Note held as a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note deposited with the Depository wishes at any time to exchange its interest in the Regulation S Global Note for an interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note or to transfer its interest in the Regulation S Global Note to a Person who wishes to take delivery of it in the form of an interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note, the Holder may, subject to the rules and procedures of Euroclear, Clearstream or the Depository, as the case may be, exchange or transfer, or cause the exchange or transfer of, the interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note. Upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of:

(A) instructions from Euroclear, Clearstream or the Depository, as the case may be, directing the Indenture Registrar to cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note equal to the beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Note, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to the Holder's Senior Notes, to be exchanged or transferred, the instructions to contain information regarding the participant account with the Depository to be credited with the increase,

(B) the transferor shall be deemed to make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-2 given by the Holder of the beneficial interest and stating that, in the case of an exchange, the Holder is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser or, in the case of a transfer, the Person transferring the interest in the Regulation S Global Note reasonably believes that the Person acquiring the interest in a Rule 144A Global Note is a Qualified Institutional Buyer, is obtaining the beneficial interest in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction, and a Qualified Purchaser, and

(C) the transferee shall be deemed to make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-1 given by the proposed transferee stating that it is a QIB/QP,

the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository to reduce the Regulation S Global Note by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Note to be transferred or exchanged and the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository, concurrently with the reduction, to credit to the securities account of the Person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note equal to the reduction in the principal amount of the Regulation S Global Note.

(iv) *Other Exchanges.* If a Global Note is exchanged for a Senior Note in definitive registered form without interest coupons pursuant to Section 2.11, the Senior Notes may be exchanged for one another only in accordance with procedures substantially consistent with the provisions above (including the certification

requirements, intended to insure that the transfers are made only to Holders who are QIB/QPs or non-U.S. persons, or otherwise comply with Regulation S, as the case may be), and as may be from time to time adopted by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee.

(g) So long as the Class E Notes remain Outstanding transfers of such Class E Notes shall only be made in accordance with Section 2.6(c) and this Section 2.6(g) upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-4 given by the proposed transferee stating that it is a QIB/QP and containing other representations, warranties and agreements of such transferee and a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-5 given by the proposed transferee with respect to such transferee's Benefit Plan Investor and affected bank status.

(h) If the Notes are issued upon the transfer, exchange, or replacement of Notes bearing the applicable legends in the applicable forms in Exhibit A, as applicable, and if a request is made to remove the legend on the Notes, the legend shall not be removed unless the Trustee and the Applicable Issuers received satisfactory evidence, which may include an Opinion of Counsel acceptable to them, reasonably required by the Applicable Issuers (and which shall by its terms permit reliance by the Trustee), to the effect that neither the legend nor the restrictions on transfer in it are required to ensure that transfers of the Notes comply with the Securities Act, the Investment Company Act, ERISA and the Code. Upon provision of satisfactory evidence, the Trustee or its Authenticating Agent, at the written direction of the Applicable Issuers shall, after due execution by the Applicable Issuers authenticate and deliver Notes that do not bear the applicable legend.

(i) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Section 2.6 to the contrary:

(i) Restrictions on U.S. Transfers. Transfers of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note that are not made in an offshore transaction pursuant to Regulation S or are made to U.S. Persons, if such transferees take delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note, shall be limited to transfers made pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.6(f)(iii) and Section 2.6(f)(iv).

(ii) Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may only be held through Euroclear or Clearstream.

(j) (i) Each Person who becomes a beneficial owner of a Senior Note evidenced by: (A) an interest in a Definitive Note, shall make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in the applicable Transferee Certificate set forth in Exhibit B-1 upon such Person's purchase or other acquisition of the relevant Definitive Note and (B) an interest in a Global Note, shall be deemed to make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in the applicable legends of the Notes set forth in Exhibit A-1 hereto and in the applicable Transferee Certificate set forth in Exhibit B-1 hereto upon such Person's purchase or other acquisition of the relevant Global Note.

(ii) Each Person who becomes a beneficial owner of a Class E Note shall (x) make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in the Transferee Certificate set forth in Exhibit B-4 and (y) make the representations set forth in the



Benefit Plan Investor and Affected Bank Certificate set forth in Exhibit B-5 upon such Person's purchase or other acquisition of such Class E Note.

(k) The aggregate principal amount of any Global Note may be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee, as custodian for DTC for the Global Note, which adjustments shall be conclusive as to the aggregate principal amount of any Global Note.

(l) Any purported transfer of a Note not in accordance with this Section 2.6 shall be null and void.

**Section 2.7 Mutilated, Destroyed, Lost or Stolen Notes.**

If the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, and the relevant Transfer Agent receive evidence to their satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of any Note, and they receive the security or indemnity they require to hold each of them harmless, or if any mutilated Note is surrendered to a Transfer Agent, then, in the absence of notice to the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, or the Transfer Agent that the Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the Applicable Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in exchange for the mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Note, a replacement Note, of like tenor and equal principal or face amount.

If, after delivery of the replacement Note or payment on it, a protected purchaser of the predecessor Note presents it for payment, transfer, or exchange, the Applicable Issuers, the Transfer Agent, and the Trustee may recover the replacement Note (or the payment on it) from the Person to whom it was delivered or any Person taking the replacement Note from the Person to whom the replacement Note was delivered or any assignee of that Person, except a protected purchaser, and may recover on the security or indemnity provided therefor to the extent of any loss, damage, cost, or expense incurred by the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, and the Transfer Agent in connection with it.

If the final payment in respect of any mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Note has become payable, the Applicable Issuers in their discretion may, instead of issuing a new Note pay the Note without requiring its surrender except that any mutilated Note shall be surrendered.

Upon the issuance of any new Note under this Section, the Applicable Issuers or the Trustee may require the payment by its holder of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with the issuance and any other expenses (including the fees and expenses of the Trustee) connected with it.

Every new Note issued pursuant to this Section in replacement for any mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Note shall be an original additional contractual obligation of the Applicable Issuers and the new Note shall be entitled to all the benefits of this Indenture equally and proportionately with all other Notes of the same Class duly issued under this Indenture, as applicable.

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

**Section 2.8 Payment of Principal and Interest and Other Amounts; Principal and Interest Rights Preserved; Withholding**

(a) The Notes of each Class shall accrue interest during each Interest Period on their Aggregate Outstanding Amount (determined as of the first day of the Interest Period and after giving effect to any redemption or other payment of principal occurring on that day) at the Applicable Note Interest Rate. Interest shall be payable in arrears on each Payment Date. Payment of interest on each Class of Notes shall be subordinated to the payments of interest on the related Priority Classes and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of interest due on the Class of Deferred Interest Notes that is not available to be paid (“*Deferred Interest*”) in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered “payable” for the purposes of this Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Interest shall cease to accrue on each Note, or in the case of a partial repayment, on the part repaid, from the date of repayment or its Stated Maturity unless payment of principal is improperly withheld or unless there is some other default with respect to the payments of principal.

To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for the Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest, until paid as provided in this Indenture).

(b) The principal of each Note of each Class matures at par and is payable on the Payment Date that is the Stated Maturity for the Class of Notes, unless the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable at an earlier date by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the payment of principal of each Class of Notes:

(i) may only occur after principal on each Class of Notes that is a Priority Class with respect to the Class has been paid in full; and

(ii) is subordinated to the payment on each Payment Date of the principal and interest payable on the Priority Classes, and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments;

*provided* that, notwithstanding the foregoing, Interest Proceeds may be used to pay principal of the Class E Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class E Coverage Tests.

(c) Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Section 9.1.

(d) As a condition to the payment of principal of and interest on any Note without the imposition of U.S. withholding tax, the Paying Agent shall require the previous delivery of appropriate properly completed and signed original forms United States federal income tax certifications (generally, an Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a Person that is a “United States person” within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code or an appropriate Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a Person that is not a “United States person” within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) or any other certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, and any Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments on the Note under any present or future law of the United States or any present or future law of any political subdivision of the United States or taxing authority in the United States or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under any such law.

(e) Payments in respect of interest on and principal of any Note shall be made by the Trustee, or by the Irish Paying Agent, if applicable, in U.S. Dollars to the Depository or its designee with respect to a Global Note and to the Holder or its nominee with respect to a Definitive Note and a Class E Note, by wire transfer, as directed by the Holder, in immediately available funds to a U.S. Dollar account maintained by the Depository or its nominee with respect to a Global Note, and to the Holder or its designee with respect to a Definitive Note and a Class E Note. In the case of a Definitive Note and a Class E Note, its Holder has provided written wiring instructions to the Trustee and, if the payment with respect to a Definitive Note is to be made by the Irish Paying Agent, the Irish Paying Agent, on or before the related Record Date.

If appropriate instructions for the wire transfer are not received by the related Record Date, then the payment will be made by check drawn on a U.S. bank mailed to the address of the Holder in the Indenture Register. Upon final payment due on the Maturity of a Note, its Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the office designated by the Trustee on or before the Maturity. If the Trustee and the Applicable Issuers have been furnished the security or indemnity they require to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the certificate, then, in the absence of notice to the Applicable Issuers or the Trustee that the applicable Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender. Neither the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Share Registrar nor any Paying Agent shall have any responsibility or liability for any aspects of the records maintained by Euroclear, Clearstream, or any of the Agent Members relating to or for payments made thereby on account of beneficial interests in a Global Note.

In the case where any final payment of principal and interest is to be made on any Note (other than on its Stated Maturity and except as otherwise provided in this Indenture), the Trustee, in the name and at the expense of the Applicable Issuers shall, not more than 30 days nor less than 10 days before the date on which the payment is to be made (or as soon as possible after known by the Trustee to be such final payment), mail (by first-class mail, postage prepaid) to the Persons entitled thereto at their addresses appearing on the Indenture Register, a notice

specifying the date on which the payment will be made, the amount of the payment per U.S.\$100,000 original principal amount of Notes and the place where the Notes may be presented and surrendered for payment. If the Trustee and the Issuer have been furnished any security or indemnity they require to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the certificate, then, in the absence of notice to the Issuer or the Trustee that the applicable certificate has been acquired by a protected purchaser, final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender of the applicable certificate.

(f) Payments of principal to Holders of the Notes of each Class shall be made in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes of the Class registered in the name of each Holder on the applicable Record Date bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Notes of the Class on the Record Date.

(g) Interest accrued shall be calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in the applicable Interest Period divided by 360.

(h) All reductions in the principal amount of a Note (or one or more predecessor Notes) effected by payments of installments of principal made on any Payment Date or Redemption Date shall be binding on all future Holders of the Note and of any Note issued upon the registration of its transfer, exchange, or replacement, whether or not the payment is noted on the Note.

(i) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the obligations of the Co-Issuer under the Senior Notes and under this Indenture are non-recourse obligations, and the obligations of the Issuer under the Notes and under this Indenture are limited recourse obligations payable solely from the Collateral and following realization of the assets, application of their proceeds in accordance with this Indenture and the reduction of the proceeds of the Collateral to zero, all obligations of, and any claims against, the Co-Issuers under this Indenture or under the Notes or arising in connection therewith shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. No recourse shall be had against any Officer, director, employee, shareholder, or incorporator of either of the Co-Issuers or their respective successors or assigns for any amounts payable under the Notes or this Indenture. The foregoing provisions of this paragraph (i) shall not (1) prevent recourse to the Collateral for the sums due or to become due under any security, instrument, or agreement that is part of the Collateral or (2) be a waiver, release, or discharge of any indebtedness or obligation evidenced by the Notes or secured by this Indenture until the Collateral have been realized. The foregoing provisions of this paragraph (i) shall not limit the right of any Person to name the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as a party defendant in any Proceeding or in the exercise of any other remedy under the Notes or this Indenture, so long as no judgment in the nature of a deficiency judgment or seeking personal liability is sought or (if obtained) enforced against the person.

(j) If any withholding tax is imposed on the Issuer's payment (or allocations of income) under the Notes to any Noteholder, the tax shall reduce the amount otherwise distributable to the Noteholder. The Trustee is hereby authorized and directed to retain from amounts otherwise distributable to any Noteholder sufficient funds for the payment of any tax that is legally owed, or required by law to be collected, by or on behalf of the Issuer (but the authorization shall not prevent the Trustee or the Issuer from contesting any such tax in

appropriate proceedings and withholding payment of the tax, if permitted by law, pending the outcome of the proceedings). The amount of any withholding tax imposed with respect to any Noteholder shall be treated as Cash distributed to the Noteholder when it is withheld by the Trustee and remitted to the appropriate taxing authority. If there is a possibility that withholding tax is payable with respect to a distribution, the Trustee may in its sole discretion withhold the amounts in accordance with this Section 2.8(j). If any Noteholder wishes to apply for a refund of any such withholding tax, the Trustee shall reasonably cooperate with the Noteholder in making the claim by providing information readily available to the Trustee so long as the Noteholder agrees to reimburse the Trustee for any out-of-pocket expenses incurred and provides the Trustee with security reasonably acceptable to the Trustee assuring the reimbursement. The Trustee hereby provides notice to each Noteholder that the failure by the Noteholder to provide the Trustee with appropriate tax certifications may result in amounts being withheld from payments to the Noteholder. Nothing in this Indenture shall impose an obligation on the part of the Trustee to determine the amount of any tax or withholding obligation on the part of the Issuer or in respect of the Notes.

### **Section 2.9 Persons Considered Owners.**

The Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, and any agent of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee may treat as the owner of the Note the Person in whose name any Note is registered on the Indenture Register on the applicable Record Date for the purpose of receiving payments on the Note and on any other date for all other purposes whatsoever (whether or not the Note is overdue), and neither the Issuer, the Co-Issuer nor the Trustee nor any agent of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee shall be affected by notice to the contrary. Pursuant to the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will notify the Trustee and the Share Registrar of any Securities that are owned by the Servicer or any Affiliate of the Servicer.

### **Section 2.10 Cancellation.**

All Notes surrendered for payment, registration of transfer, exchange, or redemption, or lost or stolen, shall be promptly canceled by the Trustee and may not be reissued or resold. No Notes shall be authenticated in lieu of or in exchange for any Notes canceled as provided in this Section 2.10, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture. All canceled Notes held by the Trustee shall be destroyed by the Trustee in accordance with its standard policy unless the Applicable Issuers direct by an Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee prior to cancellation and destruction that they be returned to the Issuer.

### **Section 2.11 Definitive Notes.**

(a) A Global Note deposited with the Depository pursuant to Section 2.2 shall be transferred in the form of a Definitive Note to its beneficial owners only if the transfer complies with Section 2.6 and either

(i) the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as Depository for the Global Note or

(ii) if at any time the Depository ceases to be a Clearing Agency registered under the Exchange Act and, in each case, a successor depository is not appointed by the Co-Issuers within 90 days after the notice.

(b) Any Global Note that is transferable in the form of a Definitive Note to its beneficial owners pursuant to this Section 2.11 shall be surrendered by the Depository to the Corporate Trust Office (or any other office designated by the Trustee) to be so transferred, in whole or from time to time in part, without charge, and the Applicable Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, upon the transfer of each portion of the Global Note, an equal aggregate principal amount of definitive physical certificates (pursuant to the instructions of the Depository) (each, a “**Definitive Note**”) in authorized denominations. Any Definitive Note delivered in exchange for an interest in a Global Note, as applicable, shall, except as otherwise provided by Section 2.6(j), bear the legends in the applicable portion of Exhibit A-1 and shall be subject to the transfer restrictions referred to in the legends.

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

(d) Upon the occurrence of either of the events specified in Section 2.11(a)(i) and (ii), the Co-Issuers shall promptly make available to the Trustee a reasonable supply of Definitive Notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons.

The Definitive Notes shall be in substantially the same form as the Global Notes, with any changes the Issuer and Trustee agree to and the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in exchange therefor, the same aggregate principal amount of Definitive Notes of authorized denominations.

## **Section 2.12 Notes Beneficially Owned by Non-Permitted Holders.**

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary elsewhere in this Indenture, (i) any transfer of a beneficial interest in any Global Note to a U.S. person (for purposes of this Section 2.12 as defined in Regulation S) that is not a QIB/QP and that is not made pursuant to an applicable exemption under the Securities Act and (ii) any transfer of a beneficial interest in any Class E Note to a Person that is not a QIB/QP, shall be void and any such purported transfer of which the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee has notice may be disregarded by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Trustee for all purposes.

(b) After discovery by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee (and notice by the Trustee or the Co-Issuer to the Issuer, if either of them makes the discovery) that a Person is a Non-Permitted Holder, the Issuer shall promptly send notice to the Non-Permitted Holder demanding that the Non-Permitted Holder transfer its interest to a Person that is not a Non-Permitted Holder within 30 days of the date of the notice. If the Non-Permitted Holder fails to so transfer its Notes or interest in the Notes without further notice to the Non-Permitted Holder, the Issuer may sell the Notes or interest in the Notes to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is not a Non-Permitted Holder on any terms the Issuer chooses. The Issuer, or the Trustee

acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting bids (or by appointing an investment bank at the expense of the Issuer to solicit bids) from brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Notes, and selling the Notes, or interest in the Notes to the highest bidder. However, the Issuer or the Trustee may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Note, the beneficial owner of each interest in a Note, the Non-Permitted Holder, and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder or beneficial owner to the Non-Permitted Holder, by its acceptance of an interest in the Notes agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Trustee to effect the transfers. The proceeds of the sale, net of any commissions, expenses of the Trustee or otherwise, and taxes due in connection with the sale shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted Holder. The terms of any sale under this subsection shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer (or the Trustee acting on its behalf), and the Issuer and the Trustee shall not be liable to any Person having an interest in the Notes sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of its discretion.

### **Section 2.13 Tax Purposes.**

The Issuer agrees, and each Holder and each beneficial owner of a Note, by acceptance of its Note or its interest in a Note, as the case may be, shall be deemed to have agreed, to treat, and shall treat, such Note as unconditional debt of the Issuer for tax, accounting and financial reporting purposes.

## **ARTICLE 3**

### **CONDITIONS PRECEDENT**

#### **Section 3.1 Conditions to Issuance of Notes on Closing Date.**

(a) The Notes to be issued on the Closing Date shall be executed by the Applicable Issuers and delivered to the Trustee for authentication and thereupon the same shall be authenticated and delivered by the Trustee upon Issuer Order and upon receipt by the Trustee of the following:

(i) *Officers' Certificates of the Co-Issuers Regarding Corporate Matters.* An Officer's certificate of each of the Co-Issuers:

(A) (1) evidencing (x) the authorization by Board Resolution of the execution and delivery of this Indenture and the Purchase Agreement and, in the case of the Issuer, the Servicing Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Securities Account Control Agreement and any Hedge Agreements being entered into on or before the Closing Date (if any), and related transaction documents and (y) the execution, authentication and delivery of the Notes applied for by it and specifying the Stated Maturity, principal amount and the Note Interest Rate of each applicable Class of Notes to be authenticated and delivered and (2) with respect to the Issuer only, evidencing the authorization by Board Resolution of the issuance, terms and number of Preference Shares issued on the Closing Date, and

that each of the foregoing is in accordance with the terms of the Board Resolution, and

(B) certifying that (1) the attached copy of the Board Resolution is an accurate copy, (2) the resolutions have not been rescinded and are in full force on and as of the Closing Date and (3) the Officers authorized to execute and deliver the documents hold the offices and have the signatures indicated on the documents.

(ii) *Governmental Approvals.* From each of the Co-Issuers either:

(A) a certificate of the Applicable Issuer or other official document evidencing the due authorization, approval or consent of any governmental bodies, at the time having jurisdiction in the premises, together with an Opinion of Counsel of the Applicable Issuer that no other authorization, approval or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of the Securities applied for by it, or

(B) an Opinion of Counsel of the Applicable Issuer that no authorization, approval, or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of the Securities except as have been given; *provided* that the opinions of Dechert LLP and Walkers, substantially in the forms of Exhibit C and Exhibit D, respectively, shall satisfy this clause (B).

(iii) *Co-Issuers' and Servicer's U.S. Counsel Opinion.* An opinion of Dechert LLP, special U.S. counsel to the Co-Issuers, an opinion of Orrick Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, counsel to the Servicer, and an opinion of Pepper Hamilton LLP, counsel to the Co-Issuer, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the forms of Exhibit C, Exhibit F and Exhibit G.

(iv) *Issuer's Cayman Counsel Opinion.* An opinion of Walkers, Cayman Islands counsel to the Issuer, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit D.

(v) *Trustee's Counsel Opinion.* An opinion of Nixon Peabody LLP, counsel to the Trustee, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit E.

(vi) *Officers' Certificates of Co-Issuers Regarding Indenture.* An Officer's certificate of each of the Co-Issuers stating that, to the best of the Officer's knowledge,

(A) the Applicable Issuer is not in default under this Indenture and that the issuance of the Securities applied for by it will not result in a default or a breach of, or be a default under, its organizational documents, any indenture or other agreement or instrument to which it is a party or by which it is bound, or any order of any court or administrative agency entered in any Proceeding to which it is a party or by which it may be bound or to which it may be subject;



(B) all conditions precedent in this Indenture relating to the authentication and delivery of the applicable Notes have been complied with; and

(C) all expenses due or accrued with respect to the Offering or relating to actions taken on or in connection with the Closing Date have been paid or reserves therefor have been made.

The Officer's certificate of the Issuer shall also state that, to the best of the Officer's knowledge, all of its representations and warranties contained in this Indenture are accurate as of the Closing Date.

(vii) *Hedge Agreements.* Executed copies of any Hedge Agreements being entered into on or entered into before the Closing Date, if any.

(viii) *Servicing Agreement.* Executed copy of the Servicing Agreement.

(ix) *Preference Shares.* Copies of executed Preference Share certificates to be issued on the Closing Date.

(x) *Preference Share Documents.* Executed copy of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

(xi) *Collateral Administration Agreement.* Executed copy of the Collateral Administration Agreement.

(xii) *Grant of Collateral Obligations.* Evidence of the Grant pursuant to the Granting Clauses of this Indenture of all of the Issuer's interest in the Collateral Obligations pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, on the Closing Date and Delivery of the Collateral Obligations (including any promissory notes and all other Underlying Instruments related to them to the extent received by the Issuer) to the Trustee or the Custodian as contemplated by Section 3.2.

(xiii) *Certificate of the Servicer.* A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, in the case of each Collateral Obligation pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, as the case may be, on the Closing Date and immediately before the delivery of the Collateral Obligations on the Closing Date:

(A) the "row/column combination" of the table appearing in the definition of "Ratings Matrix" selected by the Servicer on the Closing Date;

(B) the information with respect to the Collateral Obligation in the Schedule of Collateral Obligations is correct; and

(C) the Collateral Obligation satisfies the requirements of the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and of Section 3.1(a)(xx)(B);

(xiv) *Rating Letters.* Copies of letters signed by each of the Rating Agencies confirming that the Class A Notes have been rated “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P, that the Class B Notes have been rated at least “Aa2” by Moody’s and at least “AA” by S&P, that the Class C Notes have been rated at least “A2” by Moody’s and at least “A” by S&P, that the Class D Notes have been rated at least “Baa2” by Moody’s and at least “BBB” by S&P, that the Class E Notes have been rated at least “Ba2” by Moody’s and at least “BB” by S&P, and that such ratings are in effect on the Closing Date.

(xv) *Accounts.* Evidence that each of the Accounts has been established.

(xvi) *Issuer Order for Deposit of Funds into Accounts.* An Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, authorizing the deposit of at least U.S.\$285,000,000 into the Collection Account for use pursuant to Section 7.19 and the deposit of at least U.S.\$1,800,000 into the Closing Date Expense Account for use pursuant to Section 10.3(g), and the deposit of the Interest Reserve Amount into the Interest Reserve Account pursuant to Section 10.3(j).

(xvii) *Irish Listing.* An Officer’s certificate of the Issuer to the effect that application has been made to the ISE to admit the Senior Notes to the Official List of the ISE.

(xviii) *Issuer Order for Authentication of Notes.* An Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, directing the Trustee to authenticate the Notes in the amounts, in the registered names and with the CUSIP numbers in the Issuer Order.

(xix) *Accountants’ Certificate.* An Accountants’ Certificate satisfactory to the Issuer (A) confirming the information with respect to each Collateral Obligation on the Schedule of Collateral Obligations attached as Schedule 1, (B) confirming that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that the Issuer has purchased or committed to purchase in accordance with customary settlement procedures in the relevant markets, is approximately U.S.\$459,000,000, that the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date and that the Diversity Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, (C) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to this Section 3.1(a)(xix), (D) confirming the weighted average purchase price of the Collateral Obligations and (E) indicating the percentage of Collateral Obligations constituting Deep Discount Obligations.

(xx) *Certificate of the Issuer Regarding Collateral.* A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, to the

knowledge of the Issuer, in the case of each Collateral Obligation pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, as the case may be, on the Closing Date and immediately before the Delivery of the Collateral Obligation on the Closing Date:

(A) the Issuer has good and marketable title to such Collateral Obligation free and clear of any liens, claims, encumbrances or defects of any nature whatsoever except for those that are being released on the Closing Date and except for those Granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture;

(B) the Issuer has acquired its ownership in such Collateral Obligation in good faith without notice of any adverse claim, except as described in paragraph (A) above;

(C) the Issuer has not assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered any interest in such Collateral Obligation (or, if any interest in the Collateral Obligation has been assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered, it has been released before the Closing Date or is being released on the Closing Date) other than interests Granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture;

(D) the Issuer has full right to Grant a security interest in and assign and pledge such Collateral Obligation to the Trustee;

(E) upon Grant by the Issuer, the Trustee has a first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral Obligations and the other Collateral;

(F) based solely on the Accountant's Certificate set forth in clause (xix) above, the weighted average purchase price of the Collateral Obligations in the Collateral as of the Closing Date is at least 85% of the aggregate par amount thereof; and

(G) the Issuer has made delivery to the Trustee or to a Custodian as contemplated by Section 3.2 of all Collateral Obligations pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral on the Closing Date (including any and all promissory notes and other Underlying Instruments related to them to the extent received by the Issuer or on its behalf).

(xxi) *Certificate of the Issuer Regarding Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice.* A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date to the effect that, on or prior to the Closing Date the Issuer provided to the Depository the Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice, substantially in the form of Exhibit H-2.

(xxii) *Other Documents.* Any other documents the Trustee reasonably requires. Nothing in this clause (xxii) shall imply or impose a duty on the part of the Trustee to require any other documents.

(b) Any Refinancing Note may be issued from time to time pursuant to Section 9.7 hereof. Any such Refinancing Notes shall be executed by the Applicable Issuer and delivered to the Trustee for authentication, and thereupon shall be authenticated and delivered by the Trustee

upon and pursuant to Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee, together with delivery to the Trustee by the Issuer of an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that (A) such Refinancing Notes are duly authorized and validly issued by the Applicable Issuer pursuant to this Indenture, constituting the legal, valid and binding obligation of such Applicable Issuer, enforceable against such Issuer in accordance with its terms and (B) all conditions precedent under this Indenture, if any, applicable to the issuance, authentication and delivery of such Notes, have been satisfied.

### **Section 3.2 Custodianship; Delivery of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments.**

(a) The Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall deliver or cause to be delivered to a custodian appointed by the Issuer, which shall be a Securities Intermediary (the “*Custodian*”), all Collateral in accordance with the definition of “*Deliver*.” Initially, the Custodian shall be State Street Bank and Trust Company. Any successor custodian shall be a state or national bank or trust company that is not an Affiliate of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, has a long-term debt rating of at least “Baa1” by Moody’s (and not on credit watch with negative implications) and has combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000 and is a Securities Intermediary. Subject to the limited right to relocate Pledged Obligations as provided in Section 7.5(b), the Trustee shall hold all Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, other assets purchased in accordance with this Indenture (other than Loans, Participations and general intangibles) and Cash in the relevant Account established and maintained pursuant to Article 10, as to which in each case the Trustee shall have entered into a Securities Account Control Agreement with the Custodian in accordance with Article 8 of the UCC providing, *inter alia*, that the establishment and maintenance of the Account shall be governed by the law of the State of New York.

(b) Each time that the Issuer, or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, directs or causes the acquisition of any Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other assets, the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) shall, if the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other asset is required to be, but has not already been, transferred to the relevant Account, cause the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other asset to be Delivered to the Custodian to be held in the Custodial Account (or in the case of any such asset that is not a Collateral Obligation, in the Account in which the funds used to purchase the asset are held in accordance with Article 10) for the benefit of the Trustee in accordance with this Indenture. The security interest of the Trustee in the funds or other property used in connection with the acquisition shall, immediately and without further action on the part of the Trustee, be released. The security interest of the Trustee shall nevertheless come into existence and continue in the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other asset so acquired, including all interests of the Issuer in to any contracts related to and proceeds of the Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments or other assets.

### **Section 3.3 Representations as to Collateral.**

The Issuer hereby represents and warrants to the Secured Parties as to the Collateral as follows (which representations are repeated on each day on which the Issuer acquires new Collateral):

(i) This Indenture creates a valid and continuing security interest (as defined in the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) in the Collateral in favor of the Trustee,

which security interest is prior to all other liens, charges, claims, security interests, mortgages and other encumbrances, and is enforceable as such as against creditors of and purchasers from the Issuer.

(ii) Except for any Securities Lending Collateral and Synthetic Securities Collateral, the Issuer has good and marketable title to and is the owner of each item of Collateral free of any liens, claims, or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever except for liens (A) that are being released on the Closing Date and (B) granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture. The Issuer has a first priority security interest in all Securities Lending Collateral to secure all obligations of Securities Lending Counterparty under the Securities Lending Agreement and a first priority interest in all Synthetic Securities Collateral to secure all obligations of Synthetic Security Counterparty under the Synthetic Securities Agreement.

(iii) The Issuer has not assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered any interest in the Collateral (or, if any interest in the Collateral has been assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered, it has been released before the Closing Date or is being released on the Closing Date) other than interests granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture.

(iv) The Issuer has full right, and has received all consents and approvals required by the related Underlying Instruments, to grant a security interest in its rights in the Collateral to the Trustee.

(v) Each Collateral Obligation included in the Collateral satisfied the requirements of the definition of "Collateral Obligation" as of the date the Issuer committed to purchase the same or, in the case of the Loans with respect to which loans were made by Pre-Closing Parties and repaid by the Issuer on the Closing Date, as of the Closing Date.

(vi) All Collateral Obligations, any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange did not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, and Eligible Investments (other than, in each case, "general intangibles" within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) have been and will have been credited to one of the Accounts. The securities intermediary for each Account has agreed to treat all assets credited to the Accounts as "financial assets" within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code.

(vii) The Issuer has pledged to the Trustee all of the Issuer's interest in each Collateral Obligation included in the Collateral pursuant to the Granting Clauses of this Indenture and has delivered each Collateral Obligation (including any promissory note and all its other Underlying Instruments to the extent received by the Issuer) to the Trustee or the Custodian as contemplated by Section 3.2.

(viii) Each of the Collateral constitutes "general intangibles," "certificated securities," "instruments," "securities entitlements," "uncertificated securities," "chattel paper" or "securities accounts," each within the meaning of the applicable Uniform

Commercial Code, or any other category of collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code as to which the Issuer has complied with its obligations under Section 3.3(b).

(ix) The Issuer has caused (or will have caused within 10 days following the Closing Date) the filing of appropriate financing statements in the proper filing offices in the appropriate jurisdictions under applicable law to perfect the security interest in the portion of the Collateral pledged to the Trustee under this Indenture that may be perfected by the filing of financing statements.

(x) The Issuer has not authorized the filing of and is not aware of any financing statements against the Issuer that include a description of collateral covering the Collateral other than any financing statement (A) relating to the security interest granted to the Trustee under this Indenture, (B) that has been terminated or (C) that names the Trustee as the secured party. On the date of this Indenture, the Issuer is not aware of any judgment or Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation or tax lien filings against the Issuer.

(xi) The Issuer has delivered to the Trustee a fully executed agreement pursuant to which the securities intermediary for each Account has agreed to comply with all instructions originated by the Trustee relating to the Account without further consent by the Issuer.

(xii) All original executed copies of each “instrument” (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral have been delivered to the Custodian, to the extent received by the Issuer. The Issuer has received confirmation from the Custodian that the Custodian has credited the instruments to one of the Accounts. None of the instruments that are or evidence the Collateral has any marks or notations indicating that they are then pledged or otherwise assigned to any Person other than the Trustee.

(xiii) The Accounts are not in the name of any Person other than the Issuer or the Trustee. The Issuer has not consented to the securities intermediary of any Account to comply with instructions of any Person other than the Trustee.

(xiv) All “certificated securities” (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral have been delivered to the Custodian, to the extent received by the Issuer, registered in the name of the Custodian or indorsed to the Custodian. The Issuer has received confirmation from the Custodian that the Custodian has credited such certificated securities to one of the Accounts.

(xv) The Issuer has caused all “uncertificated securities” (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral to be registered in the name of the Custodian.

(xvi) Upon grant by the Issuer, the Trustee has a first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral.

The parties to this Indenture shall not waive any of the representations in this Section 3.3, unless the Rating Condition is satisfied in connection with such waiver. The Issuer shall provide each of the Rating Agencies with prompt written notice of any breach of the representations contained in this Section 3.3 upon becoming aware thereof, and shall not waive a breach of any of the representations in this Section 3.3, unless the Rating Condition is satisfied (as determined after any adjustment or withdrawal of the ratings following notice of such breach) in connection with such waiver.

If the Issuer acquires Collateral that is not “general intangibles,” “certificated securities,” “instruments,” “securities accounts,” “chattel paper,” “securities entitlements” or “uncertificated securities,” each within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code, or another category of collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code as to which the Issuer has complied with its obligations under this Section 3.3(b), then on or before the date on which the Issuer acquires the Collateral, the Issuer (or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer) shall notify S&P and the Trustee (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) of its acquisition or intended acquisition of the Collateral and the Issuer shall represent to S&P and to the Trustee (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) as to the category of the Collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code and shall make any further representations as to the perfection and priority of the security interest in the Collateral Granted under this Indenture acceptable to S&P.

## ARTICLE 4

### SATISFACTION AND DISCHARGE

#### **Section 4.1    Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture.**

This Indenture shall be discharged and shall cease to be of further effect with respect to the Notes and the Collateral except as to:

- (i)     rights of registration of transfer and exchange,
- (ii)    substitution of mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Notes,
- (iii)   rights of Noteholders to receive payments of principal and interest on, or other amounts (including without limitation Extension Bonus Payments) owing in respect of, the Notes as provided in this Indenture,
- (iv)    the rights, indemnities, and immunities of the Trustee under this Indenture and the obligations of the Trustee under Section 7.3 of this Indenture with respect to the holding and paying of unclaimed funds,
- (v)    for so long as any Preference Shares remain Outstanding, any provisions hereof conferring any rights or remedies upon the Holders of the Preference Shares or the Preference Shares Paying Agent on behalf of the Holders of the Preference Shares, including but not limited to, the provisions of Articles 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15,

(vi) for so long as any Preference Shares remain Outstanding, the provisions of Articles 10, 11 and 12 relating to the acquisition, retention and disbursement of Collateral,

(vii) the rights, obligations, and immunities of the Servicer under this Indenture and under the Servicing Agreement, and

(viii) the rights of Noteholders as beneficiaries of this Indenture with respect to the property deposited with the Trustee and payable to any of them (and the Trustee, on demand of and at the expense of the Issuer, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture),

when:

(a) either:

(i) all Notes theretofore authenticated and delivered to Holders of Notes (other than (A) Notes that have been destroyed, lost or stolen and which have been replaced or paid as provided in Section 2.7 and (B) Notes for whose payment money has theretofore irrevocably been deposited in trust and thereafter repaid to the Issuer or discharged from the trust, as provided in Section 7.3), have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation; or

(ii) all Notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation

(A) have become payable, or

(B) will become payable at their Stated Maturity within one year, or

(C) are to be called for redemption pursuant to Article 9 under an arrangement satisfactory to the Trustee for the giving of notice of redemption by the Applicable Issuers pursuant to Section 9.3,

and the Issuer has irrevocably deposited with the Trustee, in trust for payment of the principal and interest on the Notes, Cash or non-callable obligations of the United States of America. The obligations deposited under Section 4.1(a)(ii) with respect to the other Notes must be entitled to the full faith and credit of the United States of America or be debt obligations that are rated "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, in an amount sufficient, as verified by a firm of Independent certified public accountants that are nationally recognized, to pay and discharge the entire indebtedness on the Notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation, for principal and interest to the date of the deposit (in the case of Notes that have become payable), or to the respective Stated Maturity or the respective Redemption Date, as the case may be, and the Issuer shall have Granted to the Trustee a valid perfected security interest in the Eligible Investment that is of first priority, free of any adverse claim, and shall have furnished an Opinion of Counsel with respect



thereto. Section 4.1(a)(ii) shall not apply if an election to act in accordance with Section 5.5(a) has been made and not rescinded. In addition, the Issuer shall cause delivery to the Trustee of a Tax Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the Noteholders would recognize no income, gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of the deposit and satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture;

(b) the Issuer has paid all other sums then payable under this Indenture by the Issuer and no other amounts are scheduled to be payable by the Issuer; and

(c) the Co-Issuers have delivered to the Trustee Officer's certificates and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent in this Indenture provided for relating to the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture have been complied with.

Notwithstanding the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture, the rights and obligations of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Servicer and, if applicable, the Noteholders, as the case may be, under Sections 2.8, 4.2, 5.4(d), 5.9, 5.18, 6.7, 6.8, 7.1, 7.3 and 13.1 shall survive.

#### **Section 4.2 Application of Trust Money.**

All monies deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 4.1 shall be held in trust for the Person entitled to it and applied by the Trustee in accordance with the Notes and this Indenture, including the Priority of Payments, to the payment of principal and interest, either directly or through any Paying Agent, as the Trustee may determine. The money shall be held in a segregated non-interest bearing trust account identified as being held in trust for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

#### **Section 4.3 Repayment of Monies Held by Paying Agent.**

In connection with the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture with respect to the Notes, all monies then held by any Paying Agent other than the Trustee under this Indenture shall, upon demand of the Co-Issuers, be paid to the Trustee to be held and applied pursuant to Section 7.3 and in accordance with the Priority of Payments and thereupon the Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to the monies.

### **ARTICLE 5**

### **REMEDIES**

#### **Section 5.1 Events of Default.**

“*Event of Default*,” wherever used in this Indenture, means any one of the following events whatever the reason:

(a) a default for four Business Days in the payment of any interest on the Class A Notes or the Class B Notes, or, if no Class A Notes or Class B Notes are Outstanding, a default in the payment of any interest on the Controlling Class, in each case, when it becomes payable

(or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, the Irish Paying Agent or the Indenture Registrar, after seven Business Days);

(b) a default in the payment of principal (including Deferred Interest) of any Note when the same becomes payable, at its Stated Maturity or on the Redemption Date;

(c) the failure on any Payment Date to disburse amounts available in the Payment Account in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the failure continues for three Business Days;

(d) on any Measurement Date for so long as any Class A Notes are Outstanding, the Overcollateralization Ratio with respect to the Class A Notes (which, for purposes of this clause (d), will be calculated without giving effect to clause 5(A) of the definition of Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator) is less than 100%;

(e) either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral becomes an investment company under the Investment Company Act;

(f) breach of any other covenant or other agreement of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer made in this Indenture (other than any failure to satisfy any of the Collateral Quality Tests, any of the Concentration Limitations, any of the Coverage Tests, the Interest Diversion Test, or other covenants or agreements for which a specific remedy has been provided in this Section 5.1) in any material respect, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant thereto, or in connection therewith, to be correct in any material respect when made, and the breach or failure continues for 30 days after either of the Co-Issuers has actual knowledge of it or after notice to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Servicer by the Trustee or to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class by registered or certified mail or overnight courier specifying the breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that the notice is a "Notice of Default" under this Indenture;

(g) the entry of a decree or order by a court having competent jurisdiction adjudging the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, and if the decree or order remains unstayed and in effect for 45 consecutive days;

(h) the institution by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of Proceedings to have the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as the case may be, adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings against the Issuer or Co-Issuer, or the filing by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Bankruptcy Law or any other similar applicable law, or the consent by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator,

assignee, trustee or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or the taking of any action by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in furtherance of any such action; or

(i) one or more final judgments is rendered against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer that exceed in the aggregate U.S.\$2,000,000 and that remain unstayed, undischarged and unsatisfied for 30 days after the judgments become non-appealable, unless adequate funds have been reserved or set aside for their payment.

**Section 5.2 Notice of Event of Default; Acceleration of Maturity; Rescission and Annulment.**

(a) Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Trustee shall give prompt (and in no event later than five Business Days after becoming aware of such event) notice thereof to the Noteholders.

(b) If an Event of Default is continuing (other than an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h)), the Trustee may, with consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class, and shall, upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, declare the principal of all the Notes to be immediately payable by notice to the Applicable Issuers and the Noteholders, and upon that declaration the unpaid principal of all the Notes, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), and other amounts payable under this Indenture, shall become immediately payable. The Replacement Period shall terminate upon a declaration of acceleration (subject to re-commencement pursuant to Section 5.2(c)). If an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h) occurs, all unpaid principal, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), of all the Notes, and other amounts payable under this Indenture, shall automatically become payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any Noteholder, and the Replacement Period shall terminate automatically (subject to re-commencement pursuant to Section 5.2(c)).

(c) At any time after the declaration of acceleration of maturity has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may rescind the declaration and its consequences if:

(i) The Issuer or the Co-Issuer has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:

(A) all unpaid installments of interest and principal on the Notes then due (other than as a result of the acceleration);

(B) to the extent that payment of the interest is lawful, interest on any Deferred Interest and Defaulted Interest at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable;

(C) all Administrative Expenses of the Co-Issuers and other sums paid or advanced by the Trustee under this Indenture;

(D) all unpaid Senior Servicing Fees;

(E) all amounts then payable to any Hedge Counterparty; and

(ii) The Trustee has determined that all Events of Default, other than the non-payment of the interest on or principal of the Notes that have become due solely by the acceleration, have been (A) cured, and a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Trustee has agreed with that determination, or (B) waived as provided in Section 5.14.

No such rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right consequent thereon. The Issuer shall not terminate any Hedge Agreement at any time after a declaration of acceleration of the Stated Maturity of the Notes has been made, unless such declaration and its consequences may no longer be rescinded and annulled in accordance with this Section 5.2(c) and liquidation of the Collateral has begun.

If a declaration of acceleration is rescinded as described above:

(x) the Replacement Period, if terminated by the declaration, shall re-commence on the date of the rescission (unless the Replacement Period would have otherwise terminated before that date pursuant to clauses (i), (ii), or (iii) of its definition); and

(y) the Trustee shall retain the Collateral in accordance with this Indenture. If the retention of the Collateral is rescinded pursuant to Section 5.5, the Notes may again be accelerated pursuant to Section 5.2(b), notwithstanding any previous rescission of a declaration of acceleration pursuant to this Section 5.2(c).

No rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right resulting from the Default.

(d) Notwithstanding anything in this Section 5.2 to the contrary, the Notes will not be subject to acceleration by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class or any other Holders solely as a result of the failure to pay any amount due on Notes that are not of the Controlling Class.

### **Section 5.3 Collection of Indebtedness and Suits for Enforcement by Trustee.**

The Applicable Issuers covenant that if a default occurs in the payment of any principal of or interest when payable on any Note, upon demand of the Trustee or the Holder of any affected Note, the Applicable Issuers shall pay to the Trustee, for the benefit of the Holder of the Note, the whole amount then payable on the Note for principal and interest with interest on the overdue principal and, to the extent that payments of the interest shall be legally enforceable, on overdue installments of interest and all other amounts owing to the Noteholders under this Indenture, at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable, and, in addition, an amount sufficient to cover the costs and expenses of collection, including the

reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee and the Holders and their agents and counsel.

If the Issuer or the Co-Issuer fails to pay those amounts immediately on demand, the Trustee, in its own name and as Trustee of an express trust, may (after giving prior written notice to the Controlling Class and absent the Trustee having received a written direction to the contrary from the Controlling Class), and shall at the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class (subject to Section 6.3(e)), institute a Proceeding for the collection of the sums due, may prosecute the Proceeding to judgment or final decree, and may enforce the same against the Applicable Issuers or any other obligor on the Notes and collect the monies determined to be payable in the manner provided by law out of the Collateral.

If an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee may (after giving prior written notice to the Controlling Class and absent the Trustee having received a written direction to the contrary from the Majority of the Controlling Class), and shall upon written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class (subject to Section 6.3(e)), proceed to protect and enforce its rights and the rights of the Noteholders by any appropriate Proceedings as is deemed most effective (if no direction is received by the Trustee) or as the Trustee may be directed by a Majority of the Controlling Class, to protect and enforce the rights of the Trustee and the Noteholders, whether for the specific enforcement of any agreement in this Indenture or in aid of the exercise of any power granted in this Indenture, or to enforce any other proper remedy or legal or equitable right vested in the Trustee by this Indenture or by law. The reasonable compensation, costs, expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or paid by the Trustee and its agents and counsel, in connection with such Proceeding, including, without limitation, the exercise of any remedies pursuant to Section 5.4, shall be reimbursed to the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.8.

If any Proceedings are pending relating to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any other obligor on the Notes under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law, or if a receiver, assignee, or trustee in bankruptcy or reorganization, liquidator, sequestrator or similar official has been appointed for or taken possession of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or their respective property or any other obligor on the Notes or its property, or if any other comparable Proceedings are pending relating to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or other obligor on the Notes, or the creditors or property of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or other obligor on the Notes, the Trustee, regardless of whether the principal of any Notes is then payable by declaration or otherwise and regardless of whether the Trustee has made any demand pursuant to this Section 5.3, may, by intervention in the Proceedings or otherwise:

(a) file and prove claims for the whole amount of principal and interest owing and unpaid in respect of the Notes, and file any other papers or documents appropriate and take any other appropriate action (including sitting on a committee of creditors) to have the claims of the Trustee (including any claim for reasonable compensation to the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, and their respective agents, attorneys, and counsel, and for reimbursement of all expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, except as a result of negligence or bad faith) and of the Noteholders allowed in any Proceedings relating to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or other obligor on the Notes or to the creditors or property of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or other obligor on the Notes;

(b) unless prohibited by applicable law, vote on behalf of the Noteholders in any election of a trustee or a standby trustee in arrangement, reorganization, liquidation or other bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings or Person performing similar functions in comparable Proceedings; and

(c) collect and receive any monies or other property payable to or deliverable on any such claims, and distribute all amounts received with respect to the claims of the Noteholders and of the Trustee on their behalf; and any trustee, receiver or liquidator, custodian or other similar official is authorized by each of the Noteholders to make payments to the Trustee, and, if the Trustee consents to making payments directly to the Noteholders, to pay to the Trustee amounts sufficient to cover reasonable compensation to the Trustee, each predecessor Trustee, and their respective agents, attorneys, and counsel, and all other reasonable expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee except as a result of negligence or bad faith.

Nothing in this Indenture shall authorize the Trustee to authorize or consent to or vote for or accept or adopt on behalf of the Holder of any Note, any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition affecting the Notes or any Noteholder, or to authorize the Trustee to vote on the claim of the Holder of any Note in any Proceeding except, as aforesaid, to vote for the election of a trustee in bankruptcy or similar Person.

Notwithstanding anything in this Section 5.3 to the contrary, the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Collateral or institute Proceedings in furtherance of the sale or liquidation of the Collateral pursuant to this Section 5.3 except according to Section 5.5(a).

#### **Section 5.4 Remedies.**

(a) If an Event of Default is continuing, and the Notes have been declared payable and the declaration and its consequences have not been rescinded, or at any time after the Stated Maturity, the Co-Issuers agree that the Trustee may (after giving prior written notice to the Controlling Class and absent the Trustee having received a written direction to the contrary from the Majority of the Controlling Class), and shall, upon written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class (subject to Section 6.3(e)), to the extent permitted by applicable law, exercise one or more of the following rights:

(i) institute Proceedings for the collection of all amounts then payable on the Notes or otherwise payable under this Indenture, whether by declaration or otherwise, enforce any judgment obtained, and collect from the Collateral any monies adjudged due;

(ii) sell or liquidate all or a portion of the Collateral or interests in it, at one or more public or private sales called and conducted in any manner permitted by law and in accordance with Section 5.17;

(iii) institute Proceedings from time to time for the complete or partial foreclosure of this Indenture with respect to the Collateral;

(iv) exercise any remedies of a secured party under the UCC and take any other appropriate action to protect and enforce the rights of the Trustee and the Noteholders under this Indenture; and

(v) exercise any other rights that may be available at law or in equity;

*except* that the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Collateral or institute Proceedings in furtherance of the sale or liquidation of the Collateral pursuant to this Section 5.4 except according to Section 5.5(a).

(b) If an Event of Default as described in Section 5.1(f) is continuing the Trustee may, with the consent of, and shall, at the written direction of, the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, subject to Section 5.8 and Section 6.3(e), institute a Proceeding solely to compel performance of the covenant or agreement or to cure the representation or warranty, the breach of which gave rise to the Event of Default under Section 5.1(f), and enforce any equitable decree or order arising from the Proceeding.

(c) Upon any sale, whether made under the power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, any Holders or the Servicer (subject to the Servicing Agreement) may bid for and purchase any part of the Collateral and, upon compliance with the terms of sale, may hold, retain, possess, or dispose of the Collateral in its or their own absolute right without accountability.

Upon any sale, whether made under the power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, the receipt of the Trustee, or of the Officer making a sale under judicial Proceedings, shall be a sufficient discharge to the purchasers at any sale for their purchase money, and the purchasers shall not be obliged to see to its application.

Any sale, whether under any power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, shall bind the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Noteholders, shall operate to divest all interest whatsoever, either at law or in equity, of each of them in the property sold, and shall be a perpetual bar, both at law and in equity, against each of them and their successors and assigns, and against all Persons claiming through or under them.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, none of the Trustee, the Secured Parties or the Noteholders may, before the date that is one year and one day (or if longer, any applicable preference period plus one day) after the payment in full of all Notes, institute against, or join any other Person in instituting against, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium, or liquidation Proceedings, or other Proceedings under the Bankruptcy Law or any similar laws in any jurisdiction. Nothing in this Section 5.4 shall preclude the Trustee or any Secured Party (i) from taking any action before the expiration of that period in (A) any case or Proceeding voluntarily filed or commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or (B) any involuntary insolvency Proceeding filed or commenced by a Person other than a Secured Party or (ii) from commencing against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any of its properties any legal action that is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation Proceeding.

### **Section 5.5 Optional Retention of Collateral.**

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Indenture, if an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall retain the Collateral, collect and cause the collection of the proceeds of the Collateral and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Collateral and the Notes and any Hedge Agreements (other than amounts received under a Hedge Agreement that are used in putting a Replacement Hedge in place) in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Article 10 and Article 13 unless:

(i) the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, determines (bid prices having been obtained with respect to each security contained in the Collateral from two nationally recognized dealers (or if there is only one dealer, that dealer), selected and specified by the Servicer to the Trustee in writing, at the time making a market in those securities, and having computed the anticipated proceeds of sale or liquidation on the basis of the lower of the bid prices for each security) that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under Section 11.1(b)(v); or

(ii) with respect to an Event of Default other than as specified in Section 5.1(a), (b) or (d), the Holders of a Super Majority of each of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral, and with respect to an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(a), (b) or (d), a Majority of the Controlling Class direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral.

The Trustee shall give written notice of the retention of the Collateral to the Issuer with a copy to the Co-Issuer and the Servicer. So long as the Event of Default is continuing, any retention pursuant to this Section 5.5(a) may be rescinded at any time when the conditions specified in clause (i) or (ii) exist.

(b) Nothing contained in Section 5.5(a) shall be construed to require the Trustee to sell the Collateral if the conditions in clause (i) or (ii) of Section 5.5(a) are not satisfied. Nothing contained in Section 5.5(a) shall be construed to require the Trustee to retain the Collateral if prohibited by applicable law.

(c) In determining whether the condition specified in Section 5.5(a)(i) exists, the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, shall obtain bid prices with respect to each security contained in the Collateral from two nationally recognized dealers (or if there is only one market maker, that market maker) selected and specified by the Servicer to the Trustee in writing, at the time making a market in those securities, and shall compute the anticipated proceeds of sale or liquidation on the basis of the lower of the bid prices for each security. In addition, for the purposes of determining issues relating to the valuation of the Collateral, the satisfaction of the



conditions specified in this Indenture, the execution of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral, and the execution of a sale or other liquidation of the Collateral in connection with a determination whether the condition specified in Section 5.5(a)(i) exists, the Trustee may retain, at the Issuer's expense, and rely on an opinion of an Independent investment banking firm, or other appropriate Advisor, of national reputation, which may be the Initial Purchaser.

The Trustee shall deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Noteholders, the Co-Issuers, the Servicer and the Hedge Counterparties a report stating the results of any determination made as required pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i). The Trustee shall make the determinations required by Section 5.5(a)(i) after an Event of Default at the written request of a Majority of the Controlling Class at any time during which the Trustee retains the Collateral pursuant to Section 5.5(a) (provided that if such review is made more frequently than once per Due Period the Trustee shall be entitled to require that any associated expense be borne by the requesting Holders). The Trustee shall obtain (at the Issuer's expense) a letter of a firm of Independent certified public accountants confirming the mathematical accuracy of each calculation made by the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) and certifying their conformity to the requirements of this Indenture (to the extent such accountants are willing and able to do so).

(d) Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, the Trustee may not, and the Noteholders representing the requisite percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes specified in Section 5.4 or 5.5, may not instruct the Trustee to sell or liquidate or (except in connection with the concurrent execution of a Replacement Hedge) terminate any Hedge Agreement during the continuance of an Event of Default until all Collateral other than the Hedge Agreements has been sold or liquidated and its proceeds applied in accordance with this Indenture.

(e) Collateral may not be sold or liquidated pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) after the last date on which the sale or liquidation is permitted under Section 5.5(a)(i) with respect to a determination made pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) (the last permitted date being determined by the Trustee under Section 5.5(a)(i)), unless a new determination is made in accordance with Section 5.5(a)(i) and the Collateral is sold or liquidated before the last sale date permitted in accordance with the new determination.

#### **Section 5.6 Trustee May Enforce Claims Without Possession of Notes.**

All rights of action and claims under this Indenture or under any of the Notes may be prosecuted and enforced by the Trustee without the possession of any of the Notes or their production in any trial or other Proceeding relating to them, and any Proceeding instituted by the Trustee shall be brought in its own name as trustee of an express trust, and any recovery of judgment shall be applied as provided in Section 5.7.

In any Proceedings brought by the Trustee (and any Proceedings involving the interpretation of any provision of this Indenture to which the Trustee shall be a party) the Trustee shall be held to represent all the Noteholders.

**Section 5.7 Application of Money Collected.**

Any money collected by the Trustee with respect to the Notes pursuant to this Article 5 and any money that may then be held or subsequently received by the Trustee with respect to the Notes under this Indenture shall be applied in accordance with Section 11.1, subject to Section 13.1, at the dates fixed by the Trustee.

**Section 5.8 Limitation on Suits.**

No Holder of any Note shall have any right to institute any Proceedings, judicial or otherwise, with respect to this Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy under this Indenture, unless:

(a) the Holder has previously given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default;

(b) the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute Proceedings with respect to the Event of Default in its own name as Trustee under this Indenture and the Holders have offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with the request;

(c) the Trustee, for 30 days after its receipt of the notice, request and offer of indemnity, has failed to institute a Proceeding; and

(d) no direction inconsistent with the written request has been given to the Trustee during the 30 day period by a Majority of the Controlling Class.

No Noteholder shall have any right in any manner whatsoever by virtue of, or by availing of, any provision of this Indenture to affect the rights of any other Noteholders of the same Class or to obtain or to seek to obtain priority or preference over any other Holders of Notes of the same Class or to enforce any right under this Indenture, except in the manner provided in this Indenture and for the equal and ratable benefit of all the Holders of Notes of the same Class subject to and in accordance with Section 13.1 and the Priority of Payments under Section 11.1, as the case may be.

If the Trustee receives conflicting or inconsistent requests and indemnity pursuant to this Section 5.8 from two or more groups of Holders of the Controlling Class, each representing less than a Majority of the Controlling Class, the Trustee shall take the action requested by the Holders of the largest percentage in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, notwithstanding any other provisions of this Indenture but subject to Section 6.3(e).

**Section 5.9 Unconditional Rights of Noteholders.**

Notwithstanding any provision of this Indenture other than this Section 5.9 and Sections 2.8(i), 5.4(d), and 13.1, the Holder of any Note shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive payment of the principal of and interest on the Note as it comes due in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Section 13.1, and, subject to Section 5.8, to

institute proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment, and that right shall not be impaired without the consent of the Holder. Noteholders ranking junior to Notes still Outstanding may not institute proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment until no Note ranking senior to their Note remains Outstanding, subject to Section 5.8, and shall not be impaired without the consent of any such Holder. For so long as any Notes are Outstanding, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be entitled to any payment of any amount for payments to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, on a claim against the Issuer unless there are sufficient funds to pay such amounts to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

#### **Section 5.10 Restoration of Rights and Remedies.**

If the Trustee or the Holder of any Note has instituted any Proceeding to enforce any right under this Indenture and the Proceeding has been discontinued or abandoned for any reason, or has been determined adversely to the Trustee or to the Holder, then, subject to any determination in the Proceeding, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Holder shall be restored to their former positions under this Indenture, and thereafter all rights of the Trustee and the Holder shall continue as though no Proceeding had been instituted.

#### **Section 5.11 Rights and Remedies Cumulative.**

No right in this Indenture conferred on or reserved to the Trustee or to the Noteholders is intended to be exclusive of any other right, and every right shall, to the extent permitted by law, be cumulative and in addition to every other right given under this Indenture or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or otherwise. The assertion or employment of any right under this Indenture, or otherwise, shall not prevent the concurrent assertion or employment of any other appropriate right.

#### **Section 5.12 Delay or Omission Not Waiver.**

No delay or omission of the Trustee or the Holder of any Note to exercise any right accruing upon any Event of Default shall impair the right or be a waiver of the Event of Default or an acquiescence in it or of a subsequent Event of Default. Every right given by this Article 5 or by law to the Trustee or to the Noteholders may be exercised from time to time, and as often as deemed expedient, by the Trustee or by the applicable Noteholders.

#### **Section 5.13 Control by Majority of the Controlling Class.**

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, during the continuance of an Event of Default, a Majority of the Controlling Class may institute and direct the time, method and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee (including the exercise of any remedy specified in Section 5.4(a) or otherwise with respect to the Collateral), or exercising any right of the Trustee with respect to the Notes if:

(i) the direction does not conflict with any rule of law or with any express provision of this Indenture; and

(ii) the Trustee has been indemnified to its reasonable satisfaction (and the Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability or expense unless it has received an indemnity against the liability and expense).

(b) The Trustee may take any other action deemed proper by the Trustee that is not inconsistent with a direction under Section 5.13(a). Subject to Section 6.1, the Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability or expense (unless the Trustee has received an indemnity against the liabilities and expenses reasonably satisfactory to it) and during the continuance of an Event of Default that has not been cured, or waived, the Trustee shall, before receiving directions from a Majority of the Controlling Class, exercise the rights expressly vested in it by this Indenture and use the same degree of care and skill in their exercise with respect to the Event of Default as is required by Section 6.1(b).

(c) Any direction to the Trustee to undertake a Sale of the Collateral shall be in accordance with Section 5.4 or 5.5.

#### **Section 5.14 Waiver of Past Defaults.**

Before a judgment or decree for payment of any money due has been obtained by the Trustee, as provided in this Article 5, a Majority of the Controlling Class may on behalf of the Holders of all the Notes, with respect to the Notes waive any past Default and its consequences, except a Default:

(a) in the payment of the principal or Redemption Price of any Note or in the payment of interest (including Defaulted Interest, Deferred Interest and any interest on Defaulted Interest or Deferred Interest) on the Notes;

(b) with respect to a provision of this Indenture that under Section 8.2 cannot be modified or amended without the waiver or consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected by the modification or amendment;

(c) in the payment of amounts due to the Servicer, the Trustee or the Hedge Counterparty, which may only be waived with the consent of the affected party; or

(d) arising as a result of an Event of Default described in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h).

Upon any such waiver, the Default shall cease to exist, and any Event of Default arising from it shall be cured, for every purpose of this Indenture, but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other Default or impair any right consequent thereto. The Trustee shall promptly give written notice of any such waiver to the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Noteholder.

#### **Section 5.15 Undertaking for Costs.**

All parties to this Indenture agree, and each Holder of any Note by its acceptance of its Note agrees, that in any suit for the enforcement of any right under this Indenture, or in any suit against the Trustee or the Servicer for any action taken or omitted by it as Trustee or for any action taken or omitted by the Servicer, as applicable, any court may in its discretion require the

filing by any party litigant in the suit of an undertaking to pay the costs of the suit, and that the court may in its discretion assess reasonable costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, against any party litigant in the suit, having due regard to the merits and good faith of the claims or defenses made by the party litigant. This Section 5.15 shall not apply to any suit instituted by the Trustee or the Servicer, to any suit instituted by any Holder, or group of Holders, of Notes holding in the aggregate more than 10% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, or to any suit instituted by any Noteholder for the enforcement of the payment of the principal of or interest on any Note or any other amount payable under this Indenture after the applicable Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, after the applicable Redemption Date).

#### **Section 5.16 Waiver of Stay or Extension Laws.**

To the extent that they may lawfully do so, the Co-Issuers covenant that they will not at any time insist on, or plead, or in any manner whatsoever claim or take the benefit or advantage of, any stay or extension law or any valuation, appraisal, redemption, or marshalling law or rights, in each case wherever enacted, now or at any time hereafter in force, that may affect the covenants, the performance of, or any remedies under this Indenture. To the extent that they may lawfully do so, the Co-Issuers expressly waive all benefit or advantage of any such law or rights, and covenant that they shall not delay or impede the execution of any power in this Indenture granted to the Trustee or the Noteholders but will permit the execution of every power as though the law had not been enacted or rights created.

#### **Section 5.17 Sale of Collateral.**

(a) The power to effect any sale (a “*Sale*”) of any portion of the Collateral pursuant to Sections 5.4 and 5.5 shall not be exhausted by any one or more Sales as to any portion of the Collateral remaining unsold, but shall continue unimpaired until the entire Collateral is sold or all amounts secured by the Collateral have been paid. The Trustee may upon notice to the Noteholders and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), and shall, at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class with respect to Collateral, from time to time postpone any Sale by public announcement made at the time and place of the Sale. The Trustee waives its rights to any amount fixed by law as compensation for any Sale. The Trustee may deduct the reasonable expenses (including the reasonable fees and expenses of its agents and attorneys) incurred by it in connection with a Sale from its proceeds notwithstanding Section 6.8.

(b) The Trustee may bid for and acquire any portion of the Collateral in connection with a public Sale of the Collateral, and may pay all or part of the purchase price by crediting against amounts owing on the Notes or other amounts secured by the Collateral all or part of the net proceeds of the Sale after deducting the reasonable expenses incurred by the Trustee in connection with the Sale notwithstanding Section 6.8. The Notes need not be produced to complete any Sale, or for the net proceeds of the Sale to be credited against amounts owing on the Notes. The Trustee may hold, lease, operate, manage or otherwise deal with any property so acquired in any manner permitted by law in accordance with this Indenture.

(c) If any portion of the Collateral consists of securities issued without registration under the Securities Act (“*Unregistered Securities*”), the Trustee may seek an Opinion of

Counsel, or, if no Opinion of Counsel can be obtained, seek a no action position from the Securities and Exchange Commission or any other relevant federal or state regulatory authorities, regarding the legality of a public or private Sale of the Unregistered Securities.

(d) The Trustee shall execute and deliver an appropriate instrument of transfer transferring its interest in any portion of the Collateral in connection with its Sale. In addition, the Trustee is irrevocably appointed the agent and attorney-in-fact of the Issuer to transfer its interest in any portion of the Collateral in connection with its Sale, and to take all action necessary to effect the Sale. No purchaser or transferee at a Sale shall be bound to ascertain the Trustee's authority, to inquire into the satisfaction of any conditions precedent, or see to the application of any monies.

### **Section 5.18 Action on the Notes.**

The Trustee's right to seek and recover judgment on the Notes or under this Indenture shall not be affected by the seeking or obtaining of or application for any other relief under or with respect to this Indenture. Neither the lien of this Indenture nor any rights or remedies of the Trustee or the Noteholders shall be impaired by the recovery of any judgment by the Trustee against the Issuer or by the levy of any execution under the judgment on any portion of the Collateral or on any of the assets of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

## **ARTICLE 6**

### **THE TRUSTEE**

#### **Section 6.1 Certain Duties and Responsibilities.**

(a) Except during the continuance of an Event of Default known to the Trustee:

(i) the Trustee undertakes to perform the duties and only the duties specifically provided in this Indenture, and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Indenture against the Trustee; and

(ii) in the absence of bad faith on its part, the Trustee may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements and the correctness of the opinions expressed therein, on certificates or opinions furnished to the Trustee and conforming to the requirements of this Indenture; the Trustee shall examine any certificates or opinions that by any provision of this Indenture are specifically required to be furnished to the Trustee to determine whether or not they substantially conform on their face to the requirements of this Indenture and shall promptly notify the party delivering the same if the certificate or opinion does not conform. If a corrected form has not been delivered to the Trustee within 15 days after the notice from the Trustee, the Trustee shall so notify the Noteholders and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares).

(b) If the Trustee has actual knowledge that an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall, before the receipt of directions from a Majority of the Controlling Class, exercise the rights and powers vested in it by this Indenture, and use the same degree of care and skill in

its exercise, as a prudent Person would use under the circumstances in the conduct of the Person's own affairs.

(c) No provision of this Indenture shall be construed to relieve the Trustee from liability for its own negligent action, its own negligent failure to act or its own willful misconduct, except that:

(i) this subsection shall not be construed to limit the effect of subsection (a) of this Section 6.1;

(ii) the Trustee shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by a Trust Officer, unless it is proven that the Trustee was negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts;

(iii) the Trustee shall not be liable with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in good faith in accordance with the direction of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or the Servicer in accordance with this Indenture or a Majority (or the other percentage required or permitted by this Indenture) of the Controlling Class (or other Class if required or permitted by this Indenture) relating to the time, method, and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred on the Trustee, under this Indenture; and

(iv) no provision of this Indenture shall require the Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any financial liability in the performance of any of its duties under this Indenture, or in the exercise of any of its rights contemplated under this Indenture, if it has reasonable grounds for believing that repayment of the funds or indemnity satisfactory to it against the risk or liability is not reasonably assured to it; *provided* that the reasonable costs of performing its ordinary services under this Indenture shall not be deemed a "financial liability" for purposes hereof.

(d) For all purposes under this Indenture, the Trustee shall not have notice or knowledge of any Event of Default described in Section 5.1(d) through 5.1(i) or any Default described in Section 5.1(e) through 5.1(i) unless a Trust Officer assigned to and working in the Corporate Trust Office has actual knowledge of it or unless written notice of any event that is in fact the an Event of Default or Default is received by the Trustee at the Corporate Trust Office, and the notice references the Notes generally, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Collateral or this Indenture. For purposes of determining the Trustee's responsibility and liability under this Indenture, whenever reference is made in this Indenture to an Event of Default or a Default, the reference shall be construed to refer only to an Event of Default or Default of which the Trustee has notice as described in this Section 6.1.

(e) Whether or not therein expressly so provided, every provision of this Indenture relating to the conduct or affecting the liability of or affording protection to the Trustee shall be subject to this Section 6.1 and Section 6.3.

## **Section 6.2    Notice of Default.**

Promptly (and in no event later than five Business Days) after the occurrence of any Default known to the Trustee or after any declaration of acceleration has been made or delivered to the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.2, the Trustee shall transmit notice of all Defaults under this Indenture known to the Trustee, unless the Default has been cured or waived, and of the declaration by mail to the Servicer and the Co-Issuers, each Rating Agency, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and to all Noteholders, as their names and addresses appear on the Indenture Register, the ISE, for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the ISE and so long as the guidelines of the exchange so require, and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee).

## **Section 6.3    Certain Rights of Trustee.**

Except as otherwise provided in Section 6.1:

(a) the Trustee may rely and shall be protected in acting or refraining from acting on any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, note, or other paper or document (including but not limited to any reports prepared and delivered under Article 10) believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties;

(b) any request or direction of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer mentioned in this Indenture shall be sufficiently evidenced by an Issuer Request or Issuer Order;

(c) whenever in the administration of this Indenture the Trustee

(i) deems it desirable that a matter be proved or established before taking, suffering, or omitting any action under this Indenture, the Trustee may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely on an Officer's certificate (unless other evidence is specifically prescribed in this Indenture) or

(ii) is required to determine the value of, or any other matter with respect to, any Collateral or funds under this Indenture or the cash flows projected to be received therefrom, the Trustee may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely on reports of nationally recognized accountants, investment bankers or other persons qualified to provide the information required to make the determination, including nationally recognized dealers in securities of the type being valued and securities quotation services;

(d) as a condition to taking or omitting to take any action under this Indenture, the Trustee may consult with counsel and the advice of the counsel or any Opinion of Counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection with respect to any action taken or omitted by it under this Indenture in good faith and in reliance thereon;

(e) the Trustee need not exercise any of the rights or powers vested in it by this Indenture at the request or direction of any of the Noteholders pursuant to this Indenture, unless



the Holders have offered to the Trustee security or indemnity satisfactory to it against the costs and liabilities that might reasonably be incurred by it in compliance with the request or direction;

(f) the Trustee need not make any investigation into the facts or matters stated in any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, note or other paper or document, but the Trustee, in its discretion, may, and upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, subject to Section 6.3(e), shall, make any the further inquiry or investigation into the facts or matters that it deems appropriate or as it is directed, and the Trustee shall be entitled, on reasonable prior notice to the Co-Issuers and the Servicer, to examine the books and records relating to the Notes, the Collateral, personally or by agent or attorney, during the Co-Issuers' or the Servicer's normal business hours. The Trustee shall, and shall cause its agents to, hold in confidence all such information, except to the extent (i) disclosure may be required by law by any regulatory or administrative authority and (ii) that the Trustee, in its sole judgment, determines that disclosure is consistent with its obligations under this Indenture; *provided, however*, that the Trustee may disclose on a confidential basis any such information to its agents, attorneys and auditors in connection with the performance of its responsibilities hereunder;

(g) the Trustee may execute any of the trusts or powers under this Indenture or perform any duties under this Indenture either directly or by or through agents or attorneys, and the Trustee shall not be responsible for any misconduct or negligence on the part of any non-Affiliated agent, or non-Affiliated attorney, appointed with due care by it under this Indenture;

(h) the Trustee shall not be liable for any action it takes or omits to take in good faith that it reasonably believes to be authorized or within its rights or powers under this Indenture;

(i) nothing in this Indenture shall be construed to impose an obligation on the Trustee to recalculate, evaluate, or verify any report, certificate or information received from the Issuer or Servicer;

(j) the Trustee may request and receive (and rely on) instruction from the Issuer, the Servicer, or the accountants identified in the Accountants' Certificate (and in the absence of its receipt of timely instruction from them, may obtain from an Independent accountant at the expense of the Issuer) as to the application of GAAP to the extent any defined term in this Indenture, or any calculation required to be made or determined by the Trustee under this Indenture, is dependent on or defined by reference to United States generally accepted accounting principles ("**GAAP**"), in any instance;

(k) the permissive rights of the Trustee to take or refrain from taking any actions enumerated in this Indenture are not duties;

(l) the Trustee is not responsible for the accuracy of the books and records of, or for any acts or omissions of, the Depository, any Transfer Agent, Custodian, Securities Intermediary, Collateral Administrator, Clearstream, Euroclear, Calculation Agent or any Paying Agent (in each case, other than the Bank acting in that capacity);

(m) in purchasing or disposing of any asset permitted by this Indenture, the Trustee is authorized to deal with itself (in its individual capacity) or with any one or more of its Affiliates, whether it or the Affiliate is acting as a subagent of the Trustee or for any third Person or dealing as principal for its own account. If otherwise qualified, obligations of the Bank or any of its Affiliates shall qualify as Eligible Investments under this Indenture; and

(n) if the Bank is also acting in the capacity of Paying Agent, Transfer Agent, Custodian, Calculation Agent or Securities Intermediary under this Indenture, the rights protections, immunities, and indemnities afforded to the Trustee pursuant to this Article 6 shall also be afforded to the Bank acting in those capacities.

#### **Section 6.4 Not Responsible for Recitals or Issuance of the Notes.**

The recitals contained in this Indenture and in the Notes, other than the Certificate of Authentication, shall be taken as the statements of the Applicable Issuers. The Trustee assumes no responsibility for their correctness. The Trustee makes no representation as to the validity or sufficiency of this Indenture (except as may be made with respect to the validity of the Trustee's obligations under this Indenture), the Collateral or the Notes. The Trustee shall not be accountable for the use or application by the Co-Issuers of the Notes or their proceeds or any money paid to the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture.

#### **Section 6.5 May Hold Notes.**

(a) The Trustee, any Paying Agent, Indenture Registrar or any other agent of the Co-Issuers, in its individual or any other capacity, may become the owner or pledgee of Notes and may otherwise deal with the Co-Issuers or any of their Affiliates with the same rights it would have if it were not Trustee, Paying Agent, Indenture Registrar or other agent.

#### **Section 6.6 Acquisition of Class E Notes and Preference Shares.**

The Trustee, in its individual or any other capacity, agrees that after the initial distribution of the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares, neither the Trustee nor any of its affiliates (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) will acquire any Class E Notes or Preference Shares (including pursuant to a Maturity Extension, a Refinancing and the Amendment Buy-Out Option) unless such acquisition would not, as determined by the Trustee in reliance on representations made in the applicable transfer certificates with respect thereto, result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of any of the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such acquisition (determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA, this Indenture and the Preference Share Documents). Any Class E Notes or Preference Shares held as principal by the Trustee or any of its affiliates shall be disregarded and shall not be treated as outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% Limitation to the extent that such person has represented that it is not a Benefit Plan Investor.

### **Section 6.7 Money Held in Trust.**

Money held by the Trustee under this Indenture shall be held in trust to the extent required in this Indenture. The Trustee shall be under no liability for interest on any money received by it under this Indenture except as otherwise agreed on with the Issuer and except to the extent of income or other gain on assets that are deposits in or certificates of deposit of the Bank in its commercial capacity and income or other gain actually received by the Trustee on Eligible Investments. Under no circumstances shall the Trustee be responsible for any losses on assets purchased in accordance with an Issuer Order or a written order or request by the Servicer (*provided* that the foregoing shall not relieve the Bank of its obligations under any security or obligation issued by the Bank or any Affiliate thereof).

### **Section 6.8 Compensation and Reimbursement.**

(a) The Issuer agrees:

(i) to pay the Trustee on each Payment Date reasonable compensation for all services rendered by it under this Indenture in accordance with its letter agreement with the Trustee (which compensation shall not be limited by any provision of law in regard to the compensation of a trustee of an express trust);

(ii) except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture or in its letter agreement with the Trustee, to reimburse the Trustee in a timely manner upon its request for all reasonable expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or made by the Trustee in accordance with this Indenture (including securities transaction charges and the reasonable compensation and expenses and disbursements of its agents and legal counsel and of any accounting firm or investment banking firm employed by the Trustee pursuant to Sections 5.4, 5.5, 10.5 or 10.7, except any such expense, disbursement or advance attributable to its negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith) but with respect to securities transaction charges, only to the extent they have not been waived during a Due Period due to the Trustee's receipt of a payment from a financial institution with respect to certain Eligible Investments, as specified by the Servicer;

(iii) to indemnify the Trustee and its officers, directors, employees and agents for any loss, liability or expense (including reasonable attorney's fees and costs) incurred without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith on their part, arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of this trust, including the costs and expenses of defending themselves against any claim or liability in connection with the exercise or performance of any of their powers or duties under this Indenture; and

(iv) to pay the Trustee reasonable additional compensation together with its expenses (including reasonable counsel fees and costs) for any collection action taken pursuant to Section 6.14.

(b) The Trustee shall receive amounts pursuant to this Section 6.8 as provided in Sections 11.1(b), (c)(i) and (ii) but only to the extent that funds are available for their payment. Subject to Section 6.10, the Trustee shall continue to serve as Trustee under this Indenture notwithstanding the fact that the Trustee has not received amounts due to it under this Indenture.

No direction by the Noteholders shall affect the right of the Trustee to collect amounts owed to it under this Indenture. If on any date when a fee is payable to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture insufficient funds are available for its payment any portion of a fee not so paid shall be deferred and payable on the next date on which a fee is payable and sufficient funds are available for it.

(c) The Trustee agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy for the non-payment to the Trustee of any amounts provided by this Section 6.8 until at least one year and one day, or if longer the applicable preference period then in effect plus one day, after the payment in full of all Notes issued under this Indenture and the payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent of all amounts payable with respect to the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Nothing in this Section 6.8(c) shall prohibit or otherwise prevent the Trustee from filing proofs of claim in any bankruptcy, insolvency or similar proceeding.

### **Section 6.9 Corporate Trustee Required; Eligibility.**

There shall at all times be a Trustee under this Indenture that is an Independent “bank” (within the meaning of the Investment Company Act) organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America or of any state of the United States, authorized under those laws to exercise corporate trust powers, having a combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000, subject to supervision or examination by federal or state banking authority, having a rating of at least “Baa1” (and not on credit watch with negative implications) by Moody’s and at least “BBB+” by S&P, and having an office within the United States. In addition, the Trustee shall not be “affiliated” (within the meaning of Rule 405 under the Securities Act) with either of the Co-Issuers or any person involved in the organization or operation of either of the Co-Issuers and shall not provide credit or credit enhancement to either of the Co-Issuers; *provided* that the requirements of the preceding sentence shall be met if (a) the Trustee is not “affiliated” (as defined in the preceding sentence) with the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Administrator or the Share Registrar, (b) neither the Trustee nor the Issuer has actual knowledge, or has received written notice, that the Trustee is “affiliated” (as defined in the preceding sentence) with any person involved with the organization or operation of either of the Co-Issuers, and (c) the Trustee has not provided and does not provide credit or credit enhancement to either of the Co-Issuers. For purposes of the preceding clause (b), (i) the “actual knowledge” of the Trustee shall mean (x) its knowledge of those persons who have been expressly identified in writing to it by either or both of the Co-Issuers, or the Servicer on their behalf or (y) any persons otherwise actually known to a Responsible Officer of the Trustee, in either case, to be a person involved with the organization or operation either of the Co-Issuers, without any duty of independent inquiry or investigation on the part of the Trustee, and (ii) unless and except to the extent it has been otherwise expressly notified in writing by the Issuer, or the Servicer on its behalf, the Trustee shall be entitled to presume that the Issuer has no knowledge of such an affiliation. If the Trustee publishes reports of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or to the requirements of its supervising or examining authority, then for the purposes of this Section 6.9, the combined capital and surplus of the Trustee shall be its combined capital and surplus in its most recent published report of condition. If at any time the Trustee ceases to be eligible in accordance with this Section 6.9, it shall resign immediately in the manner and with the effect specified in Section 6.10.

**Section 6.10 Resignation and Removal; Appointment of Successor.**

(a) No resignation or removal of the Trustee and no appointment of a successor Trustee pursuant to this Article 6 shall become effective until the acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee under Section 6.11. The indemnification in favor of the Trustee shall survive any resignation or removal of the Trustee.

(b) The Trustee may resign at any time by giving not less than 30 days' written notice to the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency. Upon receiving the notice of resignation, the Co-Issuers shall by Board Resolution (or, if an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class) promptly appoint a successor trustee satisfying the requirements of Section 6.9, by written instrument, in duplicate, executed by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer and an Authorized Officer of the Co-Issuer, one copy of which shall be delivered to the resigning Trustee and one copy to the successor Trustee, together with a copy to each Noteholder, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and the Servicer. If no successor Trustee has been appointed and an instrument of acceptance by a successor Trustee has not been delivered to the Trustee within 60 days after the giving of the notice of resignation, the resigning Trustee or any Noteholder, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee satisfying the requirements of Section 6.9.

(c) The Trustee may be removed (i) at any time by the Co-Issuers as directed by Board Resolution (or, if an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, by an Act of a Majority of the Controlling Class) or (ii) by order of a court of competent jurisdiction, delivered to the Trustee and to the Co-Issuers.

(d) If at any time:

(i) the Trustee ceases to be eligible under Section 6.9 and fails to resign after written request by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class; or

(ii) the Trustee becomes incapable of acting or is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent or a receiver or liquidator of the Trustee or of its property appointed or any public officer takes charge or control of the Trustee or of its property or affairs for the purpose of rehabilitation, conservation or liquidation,

then, in any such case (subject to Section 6.10(a)), (A) the Co-Issuers, by Issuer Order (as directed by Board Resolution), may, and at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall, remove the Trustee or (B) subject to Section 5.15, or any Holder may, on behalf of itself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(e) If the Trustee is removed or becomes incapable of acting, or if a vacancy occurs in the office of the Trustee for any reason (other than resignation), the Co-Issuers, by Issuer Order (as directed by Board Resolution) or at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, shall promptly appoint a successor Trustee. If the Co-Issuers fail to appoint a successor

Trustee within 60 days after the removal or incapability or the occurrence of the vacancy, a successor Trustee may be appointed by a Majority of the Controlling Class by written instrument delivered to the Issuer and the retiring Trustee. The successor Trustee so appointed shall, upon its acceptance of its appointment, become the successor Trustee and supersede any successor Trustee proposed by the Co-Issuers. If no successor Trustee has been so appointed by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class and accepted appointment pursuant to Section 6.11, subject to Section 5.15, then the Trustee to be replaced, or any Holder, may, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(f) The Co-Issuers shall give prompt notice of each resignation and each removal of the Trustee and each appointment of a successor Trustee by mailing written notice of the event by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the Servicer, to each Rating Agency, to the Noteholders as their names and addresses appear in the Indenture Register and to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares). Each notice shall include the name of the successor Trustee and the address of its Corporate Trust Office. If the Co-Issuers fail to mail the notice within 10 days after acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee, the successor Trustee shall cause the notice to be given at the expense of the Co-Issuers.

#### **Section 6.11 Acceptance of Appointment by Successor.**

Every successor Trustee appointed under this Indenture shall execute, acknowledge, and deliver to the Co-Issuers and the retiring Trustee an instrument accepting its appointment. Upon delivery of the required instruments, the resignation or removal of the retiring Trustee shall become effective and the successor Trustee, without any further act, shall become vested with all the rights and obligations of the retiring Trustee; but, on request of the Co-Issuers or a Majority of any Class of Notes or the successor Trustee, the retiring Trustee shall, upon payment of any amounts then due to it, execute and deliver an instrument transferring to the successor Trustee all the rights and obligations of the retiring Trustee, and shall duly assign, transfer and deliver to the successor Trustee all property and money held by the retiring Trustee under this Indenture. Upon request of any successor Trustee, the Co-Issuers shall execute any instruments to more fully and certainly vest in and confirm to the successor Trustee all the rights and obligations of the Trustee under this Indenture.

No successor Trustee shall accept its appointment unless at the time of its acceptance the successor is qualified and eligible under Section 6.9 and either (a) each Rating Agency has been notified and the successor has long-term debt rated within the four highest rating categories by each Rating Agency, or (b) if not rated within the four highest categories by each Rating Agency, the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto.

#### **Section 6.12 Merger, Conversion, Consolidation, or Succession to Business of Trustee.**

Any entity into which the Trustee may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any entity resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Trustee is a party, or any entity succeeding to all or substantially all of the corporate trust business of the Trustee, shall be the successor of the Trustee under this Indenture (and of the

Bank under all of its other capacities under this Indenture, including as Custodian, Securities Intermediary, Indenture Registrar and Paying Agent) without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto. If any of the Notes have been authenticated, but not delivered, by the Trustee then in office, any successor by merger, conversion or consolidation to the authenticating Trustee may adopt the authentication and deliver the Notes so authenticated with the same effect as if the successor Trustee had itself authenticated the Notes.

### **Section 6.13 Co-Trustees.**

At any time, to meet the legal requirements of any jurisdiction in which any part of the Collateral may at the time be located, the Co-Issuers and the Trustee may appoint a co-trustee (subject to the approval of the Rating Agencies) to act jointly with the Trustee, with respect to all or any part of the Collateral, with the power to file proofs of claim and take any other actions pursuant to Section 5.6 in this Indenture and to make claims and enforce rights of action on behalf of the Noteholders, as the Holders themselves have the right to do, subject to the other provisions of this Section 6.13.

The Co-Issuers shall join with the Trustee in the execution, delivery and performance of all instruments and agreements necessary or proper to appoint a co-trustee. If the Co-Issuers do not join in the appointment within 15 days after they receive a request to do so, the Trustee may make the appointment.

Any instruments to more fully confirm a co-trustee's appointment shall, on request, be executed, acknowledged and delivered by the Co-Issuers. The Co-Issuers agree to pay (but only from and to the extent of the Collateral), to the extent funds are available therefor under clauses (i)-(iii) of Section 11.1(b), any reasonable fees and expenses in connection with the appointment.

Every co-trustee shall, to the extent permitted by law, but to that extent only, be appointed subject to the following terms:

(a) the Notes shall be authenticated and delivered and all rights and obligations under this Indenture in respect of the custody of securities, cash and other personal property held by, or required to be deposited or pledged with, the Trustee under this Indenture, shall be exercised solely by the Trustee;

(b) the rights and obligations conferred or imposed on the Trustee in respect of any property covered by the appointment of a co-trustee shall be conferred or imposed on and exercised or performed by the Trustee or by the Trustee and the co-trustee jointly as provided in the instrument appointing the co-trustee;

(c) the Trustee at any time, by an instrument in writing executed by it, with the concurrence of the Co-Issuers evidenced by an Issuer Order, may accept the resignation of or remove any co-trustee appointed under this Section 6.13, and if an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall have the power to accept the resignation of, or remove, any co-trustee without the concurrence of the Co-Issuers. A successor to any co-trustee so resigned or removed may be appointed in the manner provided in this Section 6.13;

(d) no co-trustee under this Indenture shall be personally liable because of any act or omission of the Trustee under this Indenture;

(e) the Trustee shall not be liable because of any act or omission of a co-trustee; and

(f) any Act of Noteholders delivered to the Trustee shall be deemed to have been delivered to each co-trustee.

**Section 6.14 Certain Duties of Trustee Related to Delayed Payment of Proceeds.**

If in any month the Trustee has not received a payment with respect to any Pledged Obligation on its Due Date:

(a) the Trustee shall promptly notify the Issuer and the Servicer in writing, and

(b) unless the payment is received by the Trustee within three Business Days (or the end of the applicable grace period for the payment, if longer) after the notice, or unless the Issuer, in its absolute discretion (but only to the extent permitted by Section 10.2(a)), makes provision for the payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with Section 10.2(a),

the Trustee shall request the issuer of the Pledged Obligation, the trustee under the related Underlying Instrument, or paying agent designated by either of them to make the payment as soon as practicable after the request but in no event later than three Business Days after the date of the request. If the payment is not made within that time period, the Trustee, subject to clause (iv) of Section 6.1(c), shall take the action directed by the Servicer in writing. Any such action shall be without prejudice to any right to claim a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture. If the Issuer or the Servicer requests a release of a Pledged Obligation or delivers a Collateral Obligation in connection with any such action under the Servicing Agreement, the release or substitution shall be subject to Section 10.6 and Article 12. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the Trustee shall deliver to the Issuer or its designee any payment with respect to any Pledged Obligation or any Collateral Obligation received after its Due Date to the extent the Issuer previously made provisions for the payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with this Section 6.14 and the payment shall not be part of the Collateral.

**Section 6.15 Authenticating Agents.**

Upon the request of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee shall, and if the Trustee so chooses the Trustee may, appoint one or more Authenticating Agents with power to act on its behalf and subject to its direction in the authentication of the Notes in connection with issuance, transfers, and exchanges under Sections 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, and 8.5, as fully to all intents and purposes as though each Authenticating Agent had been expressly authorized by those Sections to authenticate the Notes. For all purposes of this Indenture, the authentication of Notes by an Authenticating Agent pursuant to this Section 6.15 shall be the authentication of the Notes “by the Trustee.”

Any Authenticating Agent may at any time resign by giving written notice of resignation to the Trustee and the Issuer. The Trustee may at any time terminate the agency of any



Authenticating Agent by giving written notice of termination to the Authenticating Agent and the Co-Issuers.

The Co-Issuers agree to pay to each Authenticating Agent from time to time reasonable compensation for its services, and reimbursement for its reasonable expenses relating to its services as an Administrative Expense; *provided, however*, that if the Trustee elects to appoint an Authenticating Agent without the approval or request of the Co-Issuers, then the Trustee shall pay such compensation and reimbursement. Sections 2.9, 6.4, and 6.5 shall be applicable to any Authenticating Agent.

#### **Section 6.16 Fiduciary for Noteholders Only; Agent for Secured Parties.**

With respect to the security interest created under this Indenture, the delivery of any Pledged Obligation to the Trustee is to the Trustee as representative of the Noteholders and agent for the other Secured Parties. In furtherance of the foregoing, the possession by the Trustee of any Pledged Obligation and the endorsement to or registration in the name of the Trustee of any Pledged Obligation (including as entitlement holder of the Custodial Account) are all undertaken by the Trustee in its capacity as representative of the Noteholders and agent for the other Secured Parties.

#### **Section 6.17 Representations and Warranties of the Bank.**

The Bank represents and warrants as follows for the benefit of the Noteholders:

(a) *Organization.* The Bank has been duly organized and is validly existing as a Massachusetts trust company and has the power to conduct its business and affairs as a trustee.

(b) *Authorization; Binding Obligations.* The Bank has the corporate power and authority to perform the duties and obligations of trustee under this Indenture. The Bank has taken all necessary corporate action to authorize the execution, delivery and performance of this Indenture, and all of the documents required to be executed by the Bank pursuant to this Indenture. Upon execution and delivery by the Bank, this Indenture will be the valid and legally binding obligation of the Bank enforceable in accordance with its terms.

(c) *Eligibility.* The Bank is eligible under Section 6.9 to serve as Trustee under this Indenture.

#### **Section 6.18 Withholding Tax Forms.**

The Issuer hereby agrees to deliver or cause to be delivered, a United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-8BEN (or successor form thereto) or any other appropriate tax certificates to the relevant issuer of its Collateral Obligations and issuer of its Eligible Investments at the time such Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments are purchased by the Issuer and thereafter as required under the relevant law. In addition, the Issuer hereby agrees to deliver, and the Issuer shall be required to deliver, United States Internal Revenue Service Forms W-8BEN (or successor form thereto) and other appropriate United States tax forms as may be required by the Hedge Counterparty, to the Hedge Counterparty at the time the Hedge Agreement is entered into and thereafter prior to the expiration or obsolescence of such form,

and shall take any other action appropriate to prevent withholding or backup withholding tax on the Hedge Agreements. The Issuer shall represent, to the Hedge Counterparty in the master agreement, confirmation or schedule to the Hedge Agreement, that the Issuer is a “non-U.S. branch” of a foreign person as that term is used in Section 1.1441-4(a)(3)(ii) of the United States Treasury Regulations and a “foreign person” as that term is used in Section 1.6041-4(a)(4) of the United States Treasury Regulations. The Issuer will request that the Hedge Counterparty provide the Issuer a United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 or an appropriate United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-8, as applicable, together with any required attachments, at the time the Hedge Agreement is entered into and thereafter prior to the expiration or obsolescence of such form.

## **ARTICLE 7**

### **COVENANTS**

#### **Section 7.1    Payment of Principal and Interest.**

The Applicable Issuers shall pay the principal of and interest on the Notes in accordance with the Notes and this Indenture.

The Issuer shall, subject to the Priority of Payments, reimburse the Co-Issuer for any amounts paid by the Co-Issuer pursuant to the Senior Notes or this Indenture. The Co-Issuer shall not reimburse the Issuer for any amounts paid by the Issuer pursuant to the Notes or this Indenture.

Amounts properly withheld under the Code or other applicable law by any Person from a payment to any Holder shall be considered as having been paid by the Applicable Issuers to the Holder for all purposes of this Indenture.

#### **Section 7.2    Maintenance of Office or Agency.**

The Co-Issuers appoint the Trustee as a Paying Agent for the payment of principal of and interest on the Notes. The Co-Issuers appoint State Street Bank and Trust Company, 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code: EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116, telecopy no. (617) 937-0517, Attention: CDO Services Group, as the Co-Issuers’ agent where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Notes or this Indenture may be served and where the Notes may be surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

The Co-Issuers may at any time and from time to time vary or terminate the appointment of any Paying Agent or appoint any additional agents for all of these purposes.

The Co-Issuers shall maintain in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, an office or agency where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Notes and this Indenture may be served, which office will initially be the office of CT Corporation System, 111 Eighth Avenue, 13th Floor, New York, New York 10011, and an office or agency outside of the United States where the Notes may be presented and surrendered for payment (written notice of which shall be provided to the Trustee by the Co-Issuers).

No paying agent shall be appointed in a jurisdiction that subjects payments on the Notes to withholding tax.

So long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the ISE and the guidelines of the exchange so require, the Co-Issuers shall maintain in Ireland a Paying Agent and an office or agency where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Senior Notes and this Indenture may be served and where the Senior Notes may be surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

The Co-Issuers appoint, for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the ISE, Custom House Administration & Corporate Services Ltd. (the “***Irish Paying Agent***”) as Paying Agent in Ireland with respect to the Senior Notes, for the payment of principal, interest and other distributions on the Senior Notes and as the Co-Issuers’ agent where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Senior Notes or this Indenture may be served. If the Irish Paying Agent is replaced at any time when any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the ISE, notice of the appointment of any replacement shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE as promptly as practicable after the appointment. The Co-Issuers shall give prompt written notice to the Trustee, each Rating Agency, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and the Holders of the Senior Notes of the appointment or termination of any such agent and of the location and any change in the location of any such office or agency.

If at any time the Co-Issuers fail to maintain any required office or agency in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, or outside the United States, or fail to furnish the Trustee with their addresses, notices and demands may be served on the Co-Issuers at their addresses as provided in Section 14.3.

### **Section 7.3 Money for Note Payments to be Held in Trust.**

All payments of amounts payable with respect to any Notes that are to be made from amounts withdrawn from the Payment Account shall be made on behalf of the Applicable Issuers by the Trustee or a Paying Agent with respect to payments on the Notes.

When the Applicable Issuers have a Paying Agent that is not also the Indenture Registrar, they shall furnish not later than the fifth calendar day after each Record Date a list in the form the Paying Agent reasonably requests, of the names and addresses of the Holders and of the certificate numbers of individual Notes held by each Holder.

Whenever the Applicable Issuers have a Paying Agent other than the Trustee, they shall, on or before the Business Day before each Payment Date or Redemption Date direct the Trustee to deposit on the Payment Date with the Paying Agent an aggregate sum sufficient to pay the amounts then becoming due (to the extent funds are then available for that purpose in the Payment Account), that sum to be held in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled to it and (unless the Paying Agent is the Trustee) the Co-Issuers shall promptly notify the Trustee of its action or failure so to act. Any monies deposited with a Paying Agent (other than the Trustee) in excess of an amount sufficient to pay the amounts then becoming due on the Notes with respect

to which the deposit was made shall be paid over by the Paying Agent to the Trustee for application in accordance with Article 10.

Additional or successor Paying Agents shall be appointed by Issuer Order with written notice of the appointment to the Trustee. So long as Notes of any Class are rated by a Rating Agency any Paying Agent other than the Trustee must either have a long-term debt rating of “Aa3” (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or higher by Moody’s and “AA-” or higher by S&P or a short-term debt rating of “P 1” (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) by Moody’s and “A-1+” by S&P or the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency must be satisfied with respect to its appointment. If a successor Paying Agent ceases to have a long-term debt rating of “Aa3” (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or higher by Moody’s and “AA-” or higher by S&P or a short-term debt rating of “P-1” (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) by Moody’s and a short-term debt rating of “A-1+” by S&P, the Co-Issuers shall promptly remove the Paying Agent and appoint a successor Paying Agent. The Co-Issuers shall not appoint any Paying Agent that is not, at the time of the appointment, a depository institution or trust company subject to supervision and examination by federal or state or national banking authorities. The Co-Issuers shall cause each Paying Agent other than the Trustee to execute and deliver to the Trustee an instrument in which the Paying Agent agrees with the Trustee, subject to this Section 7.3, that the Paying Agent will:

- (i) allocate all sums received for payment to the Noteholders for which it acts as Paying Agent on each Payment Date and any Redemption Date among the Holders in the proportion specified in the applicable report to the extent permitted by applicable law;
- (ii) hold all sums held by it for the payment of amounts due with respect to the Notes in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled to them until they are paid or otherwise disposed of as provided in this Indenture;
- (iii) immediately resign as a Paying Agent and forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums held by it in trust for the payment of the Notes if at any time it ceases to meet the standards required to be met by a Paying Agent at the time of its appointment;
- (iv) immediately give the Trustee notice of any default by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer (or any other obligor on the Notes) in the making of any payment required to be made; and
- (v) during the continuance of any such default, upon the written request of the Trustee, forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums so held in trust by the Paying Agent.

To obtain the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture or for any other purpose, the Co-Issuers may at any time pay, or by Issuer Order direct any Paying Agent to pay, to the Trustee all sums held in trust by the Co-Issuers or the Paying Agent, and, upon the payment by any Paying Agent to the Trustee, the Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to the money paid.

Any money deposited with a Paying Agent and not previously returned that remains unclaimed for 20 Business Days shall be returned to the Trustee. Except as otherwise required by applicable law, any money deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for the

payment of the principal of or interest on any Note and remaining unclaimed for two years after the principal or interest has become payable shall be paid to the Issuer. The Noteholder shall thereafter look only to the Issuer for payment of the amounts due to it as an unsecured general creditor and all liability of the Trustee or the Paying Agent with respect to that money (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Issuer) shall thereupon cease. The Trustee or the Paying Agent, before being required to release any payment, may, but shall not be required to, adopt and employ, at the expense of the Issuer any reasonable means of notification of the release of the payment, including mailing notice of the release to Holders whose Notes have been called but have not been surrendered for redemption or whose right to or interest in monies payable but not claimed is determinable from the records of any Paying Agent, at the last address of record of each Holder.

#### **Section 7.4 Existence of Co-Issuers.**

(a) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall, to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law, maintain in full force their existence and rights as companies incorporated or organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands and the State of Delaware, respectively, and shall obtain and preserve their qualification to do business as foreign corporations in each jurisdiction in which the qualifications are necessary to protect the validity and enforceability of this Indenture, the Notes, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and any of the Collateral.

However, the Issuer may change its jurisdiction of incorporation from the Cayman Islands to any other jurisdiction reasonably selected by the Issuer so long as:

(A) the Issuer has received a legal opinion (on which the Trustee may rely) to the effect that the change is not disadvantageous in any material respect to the Holders, the Servicer or any Hedge Counterparty,

(B) written notice of the change has been given by the Issuer to the Trustee, the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer, any Hedge Counterparty and each Rating Agency, and

(C) on or before the 15th Business Day following its receipt of the notice the Trustee has not received written notice from a Majority of the Controlling Class objecting to the change.

The Issuer may take any action required by this Indenture within the United States notwithstanding any provision of this Indenture requiring the Issuer to take the action outside of the United States so long as before taking the action the Issuer receives a Tax Opinion of Counsel to the effect that it is not necessary to take the action outside of the United States or any political subdivision of the United States to prevent the Issuer from becoming subject to any United States federal, state, or local withholding or other taxes.

(b) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall ensure that all corporate or other formalities regarding their respective existences (including holding regular board of directors' and shareholders', or other similar, meetings to the extent required by applicable law) are followed.

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall take any action or conduct its affairs in a manner that is likely to result in its separate existence being ignored or in its assets and liabilities being substantively consolidated with any other Person in a bankruptcy, reorganization or other insolvency proceeding. Without limiting the foregoing,

- (i) the Issuer shall not have any subsidiaries (other than the Co-Issuer),
- (ii) the Co-Issuer shall not have any subsidiaries,
- (iii) the Issuer shall maintain at all times at least one director who is Independent of the Servicer, the Trustee and any of their respective Affiliates,
- (iv) the Issuer shall not commingle its funds with the funds of any other Person, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture, and
- (v) except to the extent contemplated in the Servicing Agreement, the Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the declaration of trust by the Share Trustee, the Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall not:
  - (A) engage in any transaction with any shareholder that would be a conflict of interest (the entry into the Administration Agreement with the Administrator shall not be deemed a conflict of interest), or
  - (B) pay dividends in violation of this Indenture, the resolutions of its board of directors and the Preference Share Documents.

**Section 7.5 Protection of Collateral.**

(a) The Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will procure any action within the Servicer's control that is reasonably necessary to maintain the perfection and priority of the security interest of the Trustee in the Collateral. The Issuer from time to time shall execute and deliver any supplements and amendments to this Indenture and shall execute and deliver any Financing Statements, continuation statements, instruments of further assurance, and other instruments and shall take any other action appropriate to secure the rights and remedies of the Secured Parties under this Indenture and to:

- (i) Grant more effectively all or any portion of the Collateral;
- (ii) maintain or preserve the lien (and its priority) of this Indenture or to carry out more effectively the purposes of this Indenture;
- (iii) perfect, publish notice of, or protect the validity of, any Grant made by this Indenture (including any actions appropriate as a result of changes in law);
- (iv) enforce any of the Pledged Obligations or other instruments or property included in the Collateral;

(v) preserve and defend title to the Collateral and the rights of the Secured Parties in the Collateral against the claims of anyone;

(vi) pay when due all taxes levied or assessed on any part of the Collateral and use commercially reasonable efforts to minimize taxes and any other costs arising in connection with its activities; and

(vii) give, execute, deliver, file and/or record any financing statement, notice, instrument, document, agreement or other papers that may be necessary or desirable to create, preserve, perfect or validate the security interest granted pursuant to this Indenture or to enable the Trustee to exercise and enforce its rights hereunder with respect to such pledge and security interest, and hereby authorizes the Trustee to file a UCC financing statement listing 'all assets of the debtor' in the collateral description of such financing statement.

The Issuer designates the Servicer as its agent and attorney in fact to execute any Financing Statement, continuation statement, and all other instruments, and take all other actions, required pursuant to this Section 7.5.

The Issuer authorizes the filing without the Issuer's signature a financing statement that names the Issuer as "debtor" and State Street Bank and Trust Company as "secured party" (with or without indicating its capacity as Trustee hereunder) and that describes the Collateral as "all assets of the debtor, whether now owned or hereafter acquired and wherever located."

(b) The Trustee shall not:

(i) except in accordance with Section 10.6(a), (b) or (c), remove any portion of the Collateral that consists of Cash or is evidenced by an instrument, certificate or other writing:

(A) from the jurisdiction in which it was held at the date the most recent Opinion of Counsel was delivered pursuant to Section 7.6 (or from the jurisdiction in which it was held as described in the Opinions of Counsel delivered at the Closing Date pursuant to Section 3.1(a)(iii) if no Opinion of Counsel has yet been delivered pursuant to Section 7.6), or

(B) from the possession of the Person who held it (other than the Bank) on such date, or

(ii) cause or permit ownership or the pledge of any portion of the Collateral that consists of book-entry securities to be recorded on the books of a Person (other than the Bank):

(A) located in a different jurisdiction from the jurisdiction in which the ownership or pledge was recorded at such date, or

(B) other than the Person on whose books the ownership or pledge was originally recorded, unless (in the case of clause (i) or (ii) of this Section 7.5(b))

the Trustee shall have first received an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the lien and security interest created by this Indenture with respect to the property and its priority will continue to be maintained after giving effect to such action or actions.

(c) Without at least 30 days' prior written notice to the Trustee and the Servicer, the Issuer shall not change its "location" (as defined in Section 9-307 of the UCC) or change its name from the name shown on the signature pages of this Indenture.

(d) The Issuer shall, subject to the Priority of Payments, enforce all of its material rights and remedies under the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, each Hedge Agreement and each Securities Lending Agreement.

(e) The Issuer shall pay, or cause to be paid, any taxes levied because any Pledged Obligations are owned by the Issuer.

(f) The Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will either exercise the "put" option that prevents a Collateral Obligation from being a Long-Dated Collateral Obligation on the last available date before the Stated Maturity of the Notes or sell the Collateral Obligation for Sale Proceeds at least equal to the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation, in either case by the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

#### **Section 7.6 Opinions as to Collateral.**

On or before January 1 in each calendar year, commencing in 2009, the Issuer shall furnish to the Trustee and each of the Rating Agencies, an Opinion of Counsel stating that in the opinion of such counsel as of the date of such opinion under the District of Columbia Uniform Commercial Code, the UCC financing statement(s) filed in connection with the lien and security interests created by this Indenture shall remain effective and no additional financing statements, continuation statements or amendments with respect to such financing statement(s) shall be required to be filed in the District of Columbia from the date thereof through the next twelve months to maintain the perfection of the security interest of this Indenture under the District of Columbia Uniform Commercial Code.

#### **Section 7.7 Performance of Obligations.**

(a) The Co-Issuers, each as to itself, shall not take any action, and shall use their reasonable commercial efforts not to permit any action to be taken by others, that would release any Person from any of the Person's covenants or obligations under any instrument included in the Collateral, except in the case of enforcement action taken with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this Indenture and actions by the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and in conformity with this Indenture or as otherwise required by this Indenture.

(b) The Applicable Issuers may, with the prior written consent of a Majority of each Class of Notes and a Majority of the Preference Shares (except in the case of the Servicing Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement as initially executed), contract with



other Persons (including the Servicer, the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator) for the performance of actions and obligations to be performed by the Applicable Issuers under this Indenture. Notwithstanding any such arrangement, the Applicable Issuers shall remain primarily liable for performance under this Indenture. The Applicable Issuers shall punctually perform, and use their reasonable commercial efforts to cause the Servicer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and any other Person to perform, all of their obligations in the Servicing Agreement, this Indenture, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement or any other agreement.

### **Section 7.8 Negative Covenants.**

(a) The Issuer shall not and, with respect to clauses (ii), (iii), (iv), (vi) and (ix), the Co-Issuer shall not, in each case from and after the Closing Date:

(i) sell, transfer, assign, exchange, or otherwise dispose of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecate, or otherwise encumber (or permit or suffer the sale, transfer, assignment, exchange, or other disposition of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecation, or other encumbering of), any part of the Collateral, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and the Servicing Agreement;

(ii) claim any credit on, make any deduction from, or, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable laws, dispute the enforceability of payment of the principal or interest (or any other amount) payable in respect of the Notes (other than amounts withheld in accordance with the Code or any applicable laws of the Cayman Islands) or assert any claim against any present or future Noteholder because of the payment of any taxes levied or assessed on any part of the Collateral;

(iii) (A) incur or assume or guarantee any indebtedness, other than the Notes and this Indenture and the transactions contemplated by this Indenture (including a Refinancing in accordance with Section 9.7 and including, as contemplated hereby, entering into any Hedge Agreements and Securities Lending Agreements) or (B) issue any additional class of securities other than the Preference Shares issued on or before the Closing Date, except as otherwise permitted by the Preference Share Documents;

(iv) (A) permit the validity or effectiveness of this Indenture or any Grant under this Indenture to be impaired, or permit the lien of this Indenture to be amended, hypothecated, subordinated, terminated, or discharged or permit any Person to be released from any covenants or obligations with respect to this Indenture or the Notes, except as may be expressly permitted by this Indenture or by the Servicing Agreement, (B) permit any lien, charge, adverse claim, security interest, mortgage or other encumbrance (other than the lien of this Indenture) to be created on or extend to or otherwise arise on or burden any part of the Collateral, any interest in it, or its proceeds of or (C) take any action that would permit the lien of this Indenture not to be a valid first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral;

(v) amend the Servicing Agreement except pursuant to its terms and Section 15.1(h) or amend the Collateral Administration Agreement except pursuant to its

terms unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the amendment or enter into any waiver in respect of any of the foregoing agreements without providing written notice to each Rating Agency and the Trustee (and, with respect to the Collateral Administration Agreement, without the consent of the Trustee);

(vi) to the extent permitted by applicable law, dissolve or liquidate in whole or in part, except as permitted under this Indenture;

(vii) pay any dividends or other distributions other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents;

(viii) conduct business under any name other than its own;

(ix) have any employees (other than directors and officers to the extent they are employees); or

(x) except for any Underlying Instrument and agreements involving the purchase or sale of Collateral Obligations having customary purchase or sale terms and documented with customary trading documentation (but not excepting any Synthetic Security or Hedge Agreement), enter into any agreement unless the agreement contains “non-petition” and “limited recourse” provisions and shall not amend such “non-petition” and “limited recourse” provisions without prior Rating Confirmation.

(b) Neither the Issuer nor the Trustee shall sell, transfer, exchange or otherwise dispose of Collateral, or enter into an agreement or commitment to do so, or enter into or engage in any business with respect to any part of the Collateral, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer, the Servicing Agreement.

(c) The Co-Issuer shall not invest any of its assets in “securities” as the term is defined in the Investment Company Act, and shall keep all of its assets in Cash.

(d) Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall use the proceeds of the Notes to buy or carry Margin Stock.

#### **Section 7.9 Notice of Default; Statement as to Compliance.**

(a) The Co-Issuers shall notify the Trustee, the Servicer, the Rating Agencies and each Hedge Counterparty within 10 days of acquiring actual knowledge of Default.

(b) On or before December 15 in each calendar year, commencing in 2009, the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee (to be forwarded by the Trustee to the Servicer and each Noteholder making a written request therefor and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) and each Rating Agency) a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer that, to the best knowledge of the Issuer, no Default exists, and has not existed since the date of the last certificate or, if a Default does then exist or had existed, specifying the same and its nature and status, including actions undertaken to remedy it, and that the Issuer has complied with all of its

obligations under this Indenture or, if that is not the case, specifying those obligations with which it has not complied.

**Section 7.10 Co-Issuers May Consolidate, etc. Only on Certain Terms.**

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer (the “*Merging Entity*”) shall consolidate or merge with or into any other Person or transfer or convey all or substantially all of its assets to any Person, unless permitted by Cayman Islands law (in the case of the Issuer) or United States and Delaware law (in the case of the Co-Issuer) and unless:

(a) the Merging Entity shall be the surviving corporation, or the Person (if other than the Merging Entity) formed by the consolidation or into which the Merging Entity is merged or to which all or substantially all of the assets of the Merging Entity are transferred (the “*Successor Entity*”),

(i) if the Merging Entity is the Issuer, is a company organized and existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands or another jurisdiction approved by a Majority of the Controlling Class (except that no approval shall be required in connection with any such transaction undertaken solely to effect a change in the jurisdiction of incorporation pursuant to Section 7.4), and

(ii) in any case shall expressly assume, by an indenture supplemental to this Indenture, executed and delivered to the Trustee and each Noteholder, the due and punctual payment of all amounts on all Notes issued by the Merging Entity and the performance and observance of every covenant of this Indenture on its part to be performed or observed, all as provided in this Indenture;

(b) each Rating Agency shall have been notified of the consolidation, merger, transfer, or conveyance and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the transaction;

(c) if the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall have agreed with the Trustee,

(i) to observe the same legal requirements for the recognition of the formed or surviving corporation as a legal entity separate and apart from any of its Affiliates as are applicable to the Merging Entity with respect to its Affiliates,

(ii) not to consolidate or merge with or into any other Person or transfer or convey the Collateral or all or substantially all of its assets to any other Person except in accordance with this Section 7.10; and

(iii) in any case shall expressly assume by an indenture supplemental to this Indenture, executed and delivered to the Trustee, each Noteholder and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the due and punctual payment of all amounts on all the Notes issued by the Merging Entity and the performance and observance of every covenant of this Indenture on its part to be performed or observed, all as provided in this Indenture;

(d) if the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall have delivered to the Trustee and each Rating Agency an Officer's certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that it is duly organized, validly existing, and in good standing in the jurisdiction in which it is organized; that it has sufficient power and authority to assume the obligations in subsection (a) above and to execute and deliver an indenture supplemental to this Indenture for the purpose of assuming the obligations in subsection (a) above; that it has duly authorized the execution, delivery, and performance of an indenture supplemental to this Indenture for the purpose of assuming the obligations in subsection (a) above and that the supplemental indenture is its valid and legally binding obligation, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject only to bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium, and other laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally and to general principles of equity; if the Merging Entity is the Issuer, that, following the event that causes the Successor Entity to become the successor to the Issuer, (i) the Successor Entity has title, free of any lien, security interest, or charge, other than the lien and security interest of this Indenture, to the Collateral, and (ii) the lien of this Indenture continues to be effective in the Collateral; and in each case as to any other matters the Trustee or any Noteholder reasonably requires;

(e) after giving effect to the transaction, no Default or Event of Default shall be continuing;

(f) the Merging Entity shall have notified each Rating Agency of the consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance and shall have delivered to the Trustee, each Noteholder and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) an Officer's certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that the consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance and the supplemental indenture comply with this Article 7 and that all conditions precedent in this Article 7 relating to the transaction have been complied with and shall have obtained a Tax Opinion of Counsel that no adverse tax consequences will result therefrom to the Holders of the Securities;

(g) the Merging Entity shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel stating that after giving effect to the transaction, neither of the Co-Issuers (or, if applicable, the Successor Entity) will be required to register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act; and

(h) after giving effect to the transaction, the outstanding stock of the Merging Entity (or, if applicable, the Successor Entity) will not be beneficially owned within the meaning of the Investment Company Act by any U.S. Person.

#### **Section 7.11 Successor Substituted.**

Upon any consolidation or merger, or transfer or conveyance of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, in accordance with Section 7.10 in which the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall succeed to, and be substituted for, and may exercise every right of, the Merging Entity under this Indenture with the same effect as if the Person had been named as the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, in this Indenture. Upon any such consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance, the Person named as the "Issuer" or the "Co-Issuer" in the first paragraph of this Indenture or any successor may be

dissolved, wound up and liquidated at any time thereafter, and the Person thereafter shall be released from its liabilities as obligor and maker on all the Notes and from its obligations under this Indenture.

**Section 7.12 No Other Business.**

(a) From and after the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not engage in any business or activity other than issuing and selling the Notes pursuant to this Indenture and the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents and acquiring, owning, holding, and pledging and selling Collateral Obligations and the other Collateral in connection therewith, and shall not act as agent, negotiator or structurer with respect to any Collateral, act as a participant in negotiating terms of a primary loan agreement or engage in any transaction or activity not permitted by the restrictions set forth in Annex 1 to the Servicing Agreement or which the Issuer knows would cause it to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States within the meaning of the Code or subject the Issuer's income to taxation on a net basis in any jurisdiction, and the Co-Issuer shall not engage in any business or activity other than issuing and selling the Notes to be issued by it pursuant to this Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, other activities appropriate to accomplish the foregoing or incidental thereto or connected therewith.

(b) In furtherance and not in limitation of clause (a) of this Section 7.12, the Issuer shall comply with all of the provisions set forth in Annex 1 to the Servicing Agreement, unless, with respect to a particular transaction, it obtains written advice of Dechert LLP or a Tax Opinion of Counsel that, under the relevant facts and circumstances with respect to such transaction, the Issuer's failure to comply with one or more of such provisions will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States within the meaning of the Code or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis. The provisions set forth in Annex 1 to the Servicing Agreement may be amended, eliminated or supplemented (without execution of a supplemental indenture) if the Issuer obtains written advice of Dechert LLP or a Tax Opinion of Counsel that the Issuer's compliance with such amended provisions or supplemental provisions or the Issuer's failure to comply with such provisions proposed to be eliminated, as the case may be, will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States within the meaning of the Code or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis and, at the request of the Issuer, the Trustee is hereby authorized to enter into any amendment of Annex 1 to the Servicing Agreement under such circumstances; *provided, however*, that written notice of any such amendment, elimination or supplementation of or to the provisions of Annex 1 to the Servicing Agreement pursuant to this Section 7.12(b) shall be provided to each Rating Agency then rating any Outstanding Class of Notes within 90 days of any such amendment, elimination or supplementation. For the avoidance of doubt, in the event written advice of Dechert LLP or a Tax Opinion of Counsel as described above has been obtained in accordance with the terms hereof, no consent of any Noteholder or satisfaction of the Rating Condition shall be required in order to comply with this Section 7.12(b) in connection with the amendment, elimination or supplementation of any provision of Annex 1 to the Servicing Agreement contemplated by such written advice or opinion.

(c) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer may amend, or permit the amendment of, their Memorandum and Articles or the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the amendment (but not otherwise).

### **Section 7.13 Listing on ISE.**

So long as any Senior Notes remain Outstanding, the Co-Issuers shall use all reasonable efforts to obtain and maintain the listing of the Senior Notes on the regulated market of the ISE; *provided* that the Co-Issuers will not be required to maintain a listing on a stock exchange in the European Union if compliance with requirements of the European Commission on a member state becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer.

### **Section 7.14 Annual Rating Review.**

So long as any Notes of any Class remain Outstanding, on or before December 1 in each year commencing in 2009, the Co-Issuers shall obtain and pay for an annual review or ongoing surveillance of the rating of each Outstanding Class of Notes from each Rating Agency, as applicable. The Co-Issuers shall promptly notify the Trustee and the Servicer in writing (and the Trustee shall promptly provide a copy of the notice to the Noteholders) and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) if at any time the rating of any Class of Notes has been, or is known will be, changed or withdrawn.

### **Section 7.15 Reporting.**

At any time when the Co-Issuers are not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act and are not exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act, upon the request of a Holder or Beneficial Owner of any Note, the Co-Issuers shall promptly furnish “Rule 144A Information” to the Holder or Beneficial Owner, to a prospective purchaser of a Note designated by the Holder or Beneficial Owner or to the Trustee for delivery to the Holder or Beneficial Owner or a prospective purchaser designated by the Holder or Beneficial Owner, as the case may be, to permit compliance by the Holder or Beneficial Owner with Rule 144A under the Securities Act in connection with the resale of the Note by the Holder or Beneficial Owner. “**Rule 144A Information**” is the information specified pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act.

### **Section 7.16 Calculation Agent.**

(a) The Issuer agrees that for so long as any Floating Rate Notes remain Outstanding an agent will always have been appointed (that does not control and is not controlled by or under common control with the Issuer or its Affiliates) to calculate LIBOR in respect of each Interest Period (the “**Calculation Agent**”). The Issuer has initially appointed the Trustee as Calculation Agent. The Issuer may remove the Calculation Agent at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Issuer or if the Calculation Agent fails to determine any of the information required to be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE, as described in subsection (b), in respect of any Interest Period, the Issuer or the Servicer (on its behalf) shall promptly appoint a replacement Calculation Agent. For so long as any Floating Rate Notes are listed on the ISE and the guidelines of the exchange so require,

notice of the appointment of any replacement Calculation Agent shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE as promptly as practicable after the appointment. The Calculation Agent may not resign its duties without a successor having been duly appointed.

(b) As soon as possible after 11:00 a.m., London time, on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period, but in no event later than 11:00 a.m., London time, on the next Business Day, the Calculation Agent shall calculate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes for the next Interest Period. The Calculation Agent shall communicate those rates and amounts to the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, each Paying Agent, the Servicer, Euroclear, Clearstream, the Depository, and, so long as any of the Floating Rate Notes are listed thereon and the guidelines of the exchange so require, the ISE. In the latter case, the information shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE as soon as possible after its determination. The Calculation Agent shall separately notify the ISE of the information. The Calculation Agent shall also specify to the Co-Issuers the quotations on which the foregoing rates are based, and in any event the Calculation Agent shall notify the Co-Issuers before 7:00 p.m., London time, on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period that either:

- (i) it has determined or is in the process of determining the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes, or
- (ii) it has not determined and is not in the process of determining any such Note Interest Rate together with its reasons therefor.

The Calculation Agent's determination of the foregoing rates for any Interest Period shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding on all parties and the Holders and Beneficial Owners of the Preference Shares.

#### **Section 7.17 Certain Tax Matters.**

(a) For United States federal income tax purposes, the Issuer shall treat the Preference Shares as equity and the Notes as debt. The Issuer and each Holder and beneficial owner of a Note, by its acquisition of that Note, agrees to treat those Notes as debt for United States federal income tax purposes, except (x) as otherwise required by applicable law, (y) to the extent a Holder makes a protective QEF election, or (z) to the extent that a Holder files certain United States tax information returns required of only certain equity owners with respect to various reporting requirements under the Code.

(b) The Issuer will not make an election to be treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and will take all necessary actions to maintain its status as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

(c) The Issuer and Co-Issuer shall file, or cause to be filed, any tax returns, including information tax returns, required by any governmental authority; *provided, however*, that the Issuer shall not file, or cause to be filed, any income or franchise tax return in the United States or any state thereof except with respect to a return required by a tax imposed under Section 881 of the Code unless it shall have obtained a Tax Opinion of Counsel prior to such filing that,

under the laws of such jurisdiction, the Issuer is required to file such income or franchise tax return.

(d) Upon the Trustee's receipt of a written request of the Issuer's Independent accountants, a Noteholder, or written request of a Person certifying that it is an owner of a beneficial interest in a Note, for the information described in United States Treasury Regulations Section 1.1275-3(b)(1)(i) that is applicable to such Note, it shall notify the Issuer of such request and the Issuer will cause its Independent accountants to provide promptly to the Trustee and such requesting Holder or owner of a beneficial interest in such a Note all of such information. Any additional issuance of Notes shall be accomplished in a manner that will allow the Issuer to accurately provide the same information as the foregoing to the Noteholders of such Notes.

(e) In order to ensure the Holders' and Beneficial Owners' acquisition of the Notes pursuant to this Indenture are not treated as offered under conditions of confidentiality, the Holders and Beneficial Owners of the Notes (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) are hereby permitted to disclose to any and all Persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions contemplated by this Indenture (including the ownership and disposition of the Notes). For this purpose, the tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction, and the tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction.

(f) If the Issuer is aware that it has purchased an interest in a "reportable transaction" within the meaning of Section 6011 of the Code, and a Noteholder requests information about any such transactions in which the Issuer is a purchaser, the Issuer shall provide such information it has reasonably available as soon as practicable after such request.

(g) The Issuer shall not conduct any business other than the business that the Issuer is permitted to conduct under this Indenture and the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

(h) The Issuer shall provide, upon the request by a Holder of Class E Notes (or any other Class of Notes that may be treated as equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes), such information for the purposes of allowing such Holder to make a protective "qualifying electing fund" election. The Issuer shall provide, upon request of a Holder of Class E Notes, any information that such Holder reasonably requests to assist such Holder with regard to any filing requirements the Holder may have as a result of the controlled foreign corporation rules under the Code. Upon written request by the Independent accountants, the Indenture Registrar shall provide to the Independent accountants that information contained in the Indenture Register requested by the Independent accountants to comply with this Section 7.17.

(i) The Issuer will treat each purchase of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments as a "purchase" for tax, accounting and reporting purposes.

(j) Each of the Issuers and the Trustee agrees that it does not intend for this Indenture to represent an agreement to enter into a partnership, a joint venture or any other business entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The Issuers and the Trustee shall not represent or



otherwise hold themselves out to the United States Internal Revenue Service or other third parties as partners in a partnership or members of a joint venture or other business entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

### **Section 7.18 Securities Lending.**

(a) So long as no Event of Default is continuing and if after the completion of the transaction the limit in clause (29) of the definition of “Concentration Limitations” would be satisfied, the Servicer may cause Collateral Obligations that are not Defaulted Collateral Obligations to be lent for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) having long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or guarantors with ratings of at least “A1” (and not “A1” but on credit watch with negative implications) and “P-1” (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody’s and a short-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least “A-1”, or if no short-term rating exists, a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least “A+” from S&P (each, a “**Securities Lending Counterparty**”) pursuant to one or more agreements (each, a “**Securities Lending Agreement**”); *provided* that Collateral Obligations the Market Value of which cannot be determined under clause (i), (ii) or (iii) of that definition may not be lent pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement. Upon receipt of an Issuer Order, the Trustee shall release any lent Collateral Obligations to a Securities Lending Counterparty as directed by the Servicer. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser or Affiliates of the Servicer. The duration of any Securities Lending Agreement shall not exceed the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

(b) Each Securities Lending Agreement shall be on market terms as determined by the Servicer (except as may be required below) and shall:

(i) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty return to the Issuer debt obligations that are identical (in terms of issue and class) to the lent Collateral Obligations;

(ii) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty pay to the Issuer amounts equivalent to all interest and other payments that the owner of the lent Collateral Obligation is entitled to for the period during which the Collateral Obligation is lent and require that any such payments not be subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the Securities Lending Counterparty is required under the Securities Lending Agreement to make “gross-up” payments to the Issuer that fully compensate for the withholding tax on an after-tax basis;

(iii) require that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency shall be satisfied with respect to the execution of the Securities Lending Agreement;

(iv) satisfy any other requirements of Section 1058 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated under it;

(v) be governed by the laws of New York;

(vi) permit the Issuer to assign its rights under the Securities Lending Agreement to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture;

(vii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Collateral Obligation becomes a Credit Risk Obligation or is subject to redemption in accordance with its terms;

(viii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty upon any redemption of the Notes in whole;

(ix) require the Securities Lending Counterparty to post with the Trustee collateral consisting of cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the Securities Lending Agreement (the “**Securities Lending Collateral**”) to secure its obligation to return the Collateral Obligations or in the alternative post the Securities Lending Collateral with a custodian for the benefit of the Issuer designated by the Securities Lending Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that custodian would qualify to be a successor trustee under Section 6.9;

(x) provide that the Securities Lending Collateral shall be maintained at all times in an amount equal to at least 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value (determined daily and monitored by the Servicer) of the lent Collateral Obligations and if securities are delivered to the Trustee as security for the obligations of the Securities Lending Counterparty under the related Securities Lending Agreement, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will negotiate with the Securities Lending Counterparty a rate for the loan fee to be paid to the Issuer for lending the lent Collateral Obligations;

(xi) the lent Collateral Obligations shall be marked-to-market on a daily basis by the Servicer on the basis of their Market Value;

(xii) the Collateral will include the Issuer’s rights under the related Securities Lending Agreement rather than the loaned Collateral Obligation;

(xiii) provide for early termination within 10 days at the option of the Issuer and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Securities Lending Counterparty is no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty and the noncompliance is not cured as provided in this Indenture; and

(xiv) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Securities Lending Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those in this Indenture.

(c) If either Moody’s or S&P downgrades a Securities Lending Counterparty such that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party are no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities

Lending Counterparty, then the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, within 10 days of the downgrade, shall

(i) terminate its Securities Lending Agreements with the Securities Lending Counterparty unless a guarantor with the required ratings for the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements has been obtained; or

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations lent to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty so that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party, together with all other Securities Lending Agreements, are in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of Securities Lending Counterparties; or

(iii) take any other steps Moody's or S&P may require to cause the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party to be treated by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, as if the obligations were owed by a counterparty having a rating at least equivalent to the rating that was assigned by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty before its being downgraded.

(d) In connection with any such direction by the Servicer to enter into a Securities Lending Agreement, the Trustee may receive and rely on an Issuer Order to the effect that the Securities Lending Agreement, and its Securities Lending Counterparty, is each in compliance with the requirements of this Indenture (including the definition of "Securities Lending Counterparty"). The Issuer and the Trustee may enter into any Securities Lending Agreement (and any related account control agreement) at the instruction of the Servicer, and deliver and accept delivery and return of any Collateral Obligations pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement, or pursuant to instructions from the Servicer in connection with the Securities Lending Agreement. The Trustee may take any actions and exercise any rights and remedies under any Securities Lending Agreement that the Servicer instructs. The Trustee need not enter into any Securities Lending Agreement (or any related account control agreement) that would in its judgment, subject it to any liability, whether financial or otherwise, or cause it to incur or subject it to risk of any cost or disbursement for which it is not, in its judgment, adequately indemnified, or that would impose on it any obligations or administrative burdens that are unacceptable to it. The Servicer shall instruct the Trustee in writing with respect to the administration of any Securities Lending Agreement (including with respect to any default and the exercise of rights under it). The Trustee shall not have any responsibility for evaluating the sufficiency, validity or acceptability of any Securities Lending Agreement or for the qualifications or eligibility of any Securities Lending Counterparty. Nothing in this Indenture shall be construed to cause the Trustee to have any fiduciary duties to any Securities Lending Counterparty.

So long as any Collateral Obligation is on loan pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement:

(a) the Trustee shall have no liability for any failure or inability on its part to receive any information or take any action with respect to the Collateral Obligation because of its being on loan (including any failure to take action with respect to a notice of redemption, consent solicitation, exchange or tender offer, or similar corporate action), and

(b) the loaned Collateral Obligations shall not be disqualified for return to the Trustee as a Collateral Obligation by any change in circumstance or status during the time while on loan (including any change that would cause the Collateral Obligation to be ineligible for purchase by the Issuer under this Indenture if applied to a proposed purchase of it in the open market at the time of its return from loan).

**Section 7.19 Purchase of Collateral Obligations; Ramp-Up Completion Date.**

(a) The Issuer shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period or enter into commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period for purchase on or as soon as practicable thereafter (not to exceed 60 days thereafter), in each case, for inclusion in the Collateral so that each of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes is at least U.S.\$510,000,000.

(b) No Collateral Obligations may be purchased prior to the Ramp-Up Completion Date unless immediately following the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (as certified by the Servicer in writing), the remaining funds in the Collection Account, after giving effect to such purchase, are sufficient as of the date of determination to purchase Collateral Obligations for inclusion in the Collateral so that each of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes is at least U.S.\$510,000,000 (taking into account the Collateral Obligations already part of the Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments or principal prepayments made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date)).

(c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, or any other provision of this Indenture, if the Issuer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase a Collateral Obligation to be included in the Collateral, such commitment initially not to exceed 60 days, and at the time of the commitment the Collateral Obligation complied with the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and the requirements set forth in this Section 7.19, the Issuer may consummate the purchase of the Collateral Obligation notwithstanding that the Collateral Obligation fails to comply with the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and the requirements set out above on the date of settlement.

(d) The Issuer will use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase, or to enter into binding agreements to purchase, Collateral Obligations by the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that, together with the Collateral Obligations purchased on or before the Closing Date and then held by the Issuer, will satisfy, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments or principal prepayments made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up

Completion Date), the Collateral Quality Tests, the Concentration Limitations, the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 of this Indenture and the Overcollateralization Tests.

(e) No later than 10 Business Days after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer shall notify each of the Rating Agencies in writing of the occurrence of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (each, a “**Ramp-Up Notice**”) and request in writing that each of S&P (with such request sent to CDOEffectiveDatePortfolios@sandp.com) and Moody’s confirm in writing within 25 days of delivery of such Ramp-Up Notice that it has not reduced or withdrawn the Initial Ratings; *provided, however*, that the Issuer shall not be required to request a Rating Confirmation from Moody’s if, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date Moody’s has received an Accountants’ Certificate confirming (i) the Issuer is in compliance with each of the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests and the Concentration Limitations and (ii) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator of the Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owns or has committed to purchase is at least equal to U.S.\$510,000,000. In connection with such request or, in the case of Moody’s, in lieu of such request, the Issuer shall provide a report to the Rating Agencies identifying the Collateral Obligations then included in the Collateral and the Issuer shall obtain and deliver to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies, together with the delivery of a report (and, with respect to S&P, an Excel Default Model Input File (if applicable)) substantially in the form of a Monthly Report as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, an Accountants’ Certificate:

(i) confirming the maturity date, rating, spread and recovery rate for each item of original Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date and the information provided by the Issuer with respect to every other asset included in the Collateral, by reference to such sources as shall be specified therein;

(ii) confirming that as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date:

(1) each of the Coverage Tests are satisfied;

(2) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator of Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owned or committed to purchase as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date is at least equal to the Maximum Amount; and

(3) the Collateral Obligations comply with all of the requirements of the Collateral Quality Tests, the Concentration Limitations and the Eligibility Criteria; and

(iii) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing statements.

(f) Any failure by the Issuer to obtain a Ratings Confirmation pursuant to Section 7.19(e) above shall be a Rating Confirmation Failure (a “**Rating Confirmation Failure**”). If a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, the Notes will be redeemed pursuant to, and to the extent provided in, Section 9.1(a).

(g) On the Ramp-Up Completion Date, S&P shall provide sixteen (16) different S&P CDO Monitors to the Issuer, the Servicer, the Collateral Administrator and the Trustee, such

S&P CDO Monitors corresponding to portfolios with weighted average spreads of 2.00%, 2.10%, 2.20%, 2.30%, 2.40%, 2.50%, 2.60%, 2.70%, 2.80%, 2.90%, 3.00%, 3.10%, 3.20%, 3.30%, 3.40% and 3.50%, respectively. After the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Servicer, by written notice to the Collateral Administrator, the Trustee and S&P, will elect which S&P CDO Monitor shall apply initially and, thereafter, on two Business Days written notice prior to the Measurement Date to the Collateral Administrator, Trustee and S&P, the Servicer will elect to have a different S&P CDO Monitor apply, such S&P CDO Monitor corresponding to a portfolio with a weighted average spread that is equal to or lower than the Weighted Average Spread of the Floating Rate Obligations in the Collateral at the time of such election; *provided*, that if the Weighted Average Spread of the Floating Rate Obligations in the Collateral at the time of such election is less than 2.00%, then the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will request S&P to provide a different S&P CDO Monitor which has a weighted average spread equal to or lower than the Weighted Average Spread of the Floating Rate Obligations in the Collateral. For the avoidance of doubt, the selection of an S&P CDO Monitor as described in this paragraph shall be separate and independent of any election of the Servicer with respect to the Ratings Matrix.

(h) On the Interim Target Date (assuming for these purposes (1) settlement in accordance with customary settlement procedures in the relevant markets of all agreements entered into by the Issuer to acquire items of Collateral Obligation scheduled to settle on or following such date and (2) that each such item or Collateral Obligation is pledged as security for the Notes pursuant to this Indenture), the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee and Moody's a statement that the Interim Target Test is satisfied (and calculations thereof in reasonable detail). Failure to satisfy the Interim Target Test on the Interim Target Date (any such failure an "***Interim Target Failure***") will not constitute an Event of Default; provided that upon the occurrence of an Interim Target Failure the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall submit to Moody's a plan with respect to which the Servicer certifies that, in the Servicer's reasonable business judgment is sufficient to attain compliance with each applicable Collateral Quality Test by the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

#### **Section 7.20 Secondary Risk Procedures.**

The Servicer shall notify S&P and request that S&P modify the S&P CDO Monitor accordingly if on any date (as disclosed in the most recent Monthly Report):

(a) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations participated from or entered into with the same Secondary Risk Counterparty exceeds the percentage of the Maximum Amount in the Secondary Risk Table opposite the long-term S&P credit rating of the Secondary Risk Counterparty under the caption "Individual Counterparty Limit," or

(b) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations participated from or entered into with Secondary Risk Counterparties with the same long-term credit rating exceeds the percentage of the Maximum Amount in the Secondary Risk Table opposite that rating under the caption "Aggregate Counterparty Limit" (excluding up to 5% by Aggregate Principal Balance of Synthetic Securities with respect to Collateral Obligations the "Aggregate Counterparty Limit" of which is 20% to the extent that (x) such exposure is fully collateralized with respect to principal and (y) the related Synthetic Security Counterparties are rated at least "A-1+" by S&P).

**Section 7.21 Section 3(c)(7) Procedures.**

In addition to the notices required to be given under Section 10.6 hereof, the Issuer shall take the following actions to ensure compliance with the requirements of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act (*provided* that such procedures and disclosures may be revised by the Issuer to be consistent with generally accepted practice for compliance with the requirements of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act):

(a) *Section 3(c)(7) Notice to Investors.* The Issuer shall (i) request the Depository to cause, and cooperate with the Depository in causing, the Depository's security description and delivery order to include a "3(c)(7) marker" and the Depository's user manual to contain an accurate description of the restrictions on the holding and transfer of the Notes due to the Issuer's reliance on the exclusion to registration provided by Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act, (ii) request that the Depository send, and cooperate with the Depository in causing the Depository to send, to its Agent Members (x) the Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice substantially in the form of Exhibit H-2 in connection with the initial offering of the Notes and (y) the Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice substantially in the form of Exhibit H-1 as set forth in Section 10.6(b) and (iii) request that the Depository cause, and cooperate with the Depository in causing, the Depository's Reference Directory to include each Class of Notes (and the applicable CUSIP numbers for the Notes) in the listing of 3(c)(7) issues together with an attached description of the limitations as to the distribution, purchase, sale and holding of the Notes.

(b) *CUSIP Numbers.* The Issuer shall (a) request of S&P, and shall cooperate with S&P to ensure that all CUSIP numbers identifying the Notes shall have a "fixed field" attached thereto that contains "3c7" and "144A" indicators and (b) take steps to cause the Initial Purchaser and any market makers to require that all "confirms" of trades of the Notes contain CUSIP numbers with such "fixed field" identifiers.

(c) *Bloomberg and other Third-Party Vendor Screens.* The Issuer shall use all reasonable efforts to cause the Bloomberg screen or screens containing information about the Notes to include the following language: (a) the "Note Box" on the bottom of the "Security Display" page describing the Notes shall state: "Iss'd Under 144A/3(c)(7)," (b) the "Security Display" page shall have the flashing red indicator "See Other Available Information" and (c) the indicator shall link to the "Additional Security Information" page, which shall state that the securities are "being offered in reliance on the exemption from registration under Rule 144A of the Securities Act, to persons who are both (x) qualified institutional buyers (as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act) and (y) qualified purchasers (as defined under Section 3(c)(7) under the Investment Company Act)." The Issuer shall use all reasonable efforts to require that any other third-party vendor screens containing information about the Notes include substantially similar language to clauses (a) through (c) above.

## ARTICLE 8

### SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURES

#### **Section 8.1 Supplemental Indentures Without Consent of Holders.**

(a) Without the consent of the Holders of any Securities, when authorized by Board Resolutions, and subject to the requirement provided below in this Section 8.1 with respect to the ratings of any Class of Notes, the Co-Issuers and the Trustee may, if, with respect to any matters described in clauses (1) through (21) below, the interests of the Holders of the Securities (except, in the case of clause (11) below, any Holders of Notes subject to the applicable Refinancing) are not materially and adversely affected thereby as provided in this Section 8.1, execute one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, to:

(1) evidence the succession of another Person to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and the assumption by the successor Person of the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture and in the Securities;

(2) add to the covenants of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders or to surrender any right in this Indenture conferred on the Co-Issuers;

(3) convey, transfer, assign, mortgage or pledge any property to the Trustee, or add to the conditions, limitations or restrictions on the authorized amount, terms and purposes of the issue, authentication and delivery of the Notes;

(4) evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment under this Indenture by a successor Trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of this Indenture necessary to facilitate the administration of the trusts under this Indenture by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of Sections 6.10, 6.11, and 6.13;

(5) correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of this Indenture, or to better assure, convey and confirm to the Trustee any property subject or required to be subject to the lien of this Indenture (including all actions appropriate as a result of changes in law) or to subject to the lien of this Indenture any additional property;

(6) cause any provision of this Indenture to conform to, or be consistent with, the statements made with respect to such provision in the Offering Memorandum;

(7) modify the restrictions on and procedures for resales and other transfers of the Notes to reflect any changes in applicable law (or its interpretation) or to enable the Co-Issuers to rely on any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities Act (including, without limitation, to add provisions for resales and transfers of the Class E Notes and/or Preference Shares under Regulation S) or the Investment Company Act or to remove restrictions on resale and transfer to the extent not required thereunder (for the avoidance of doubt no modification of the restrictions or procedures for resales and transfers may be made for the purpose of increasing any such restrictions);



(8) make appropriate changes for any Class of Senior Notes to be listed on an exchange other than the ISE;

(9) otherwise correct any inconsistency or cure any ambiguity or errors in this Indenture;

(10) accommodate the issuance of the Senior Notes in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC or otherwise;

(11) accommodate a Refinancing effected pursuant to and in compliance with Section 9.7; *provided* that no Holders of Notes or Preference Shares are materially adversely affected thereby, other than Holders of Notes subject to such Refinancing (and provided that the mere occurrence of the Refinancing itself shall be deemed not to constitute such a material adverse effect);

(12) take any appropriate action to prevent the Issuer, the Holders of the Securities, or the Trustee from becoming subject to withholding or other taxes, fees or assessments, or to prevent the Issuer from being treated as being engaged in a U.S. trade or business or otherwise being subject to income tax on a net income basis, so long as the action will not cause the Holders of any Securities to be adversely affected to any material extent by any change to the timing, character or source of the income from the Securities, as evidenced by a Tax Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion);

(13) authorize the appointment of any listing agent, Transfer Agent, Paying Agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes appropriate in connection with the listing of any Class of Senior Notes on the ISE or any other stock exchange, and otherwise to amend this Indenture to incorporate any changes required or requested by any governmental authority, stock exchange authority, listing agent, Transfer Agent, Paying Agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes in connection with its appointment, so long as the supplemental indenture would not materially and adversely affect any Noteholder, as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Notes;

(14) amend, modify, enter into or accommodate the execution of any contract relating to a Synthetic Security (including posting collateral under a Synthetic Security Agreement) if such particular action is not otherwise permitted under this Indenture;

(15) modify Section 3.3 to be consistent with applicable laws or Rating Agency requirements;

(16) evidence any waiver by any Rating Agency as to any requirement or condition, as applicable, of the Rating Agency set forth in this Indenture;

(17) facilitate the issuance of participation notes, combination notes, composite securities and other similar securities;

(18) facilitate hedging transactions;

(19) facilitate the ability of the Issuer to lend collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement;

(20) modify any provision to facilitate an A/B Exchange, including to effect any serial designation relating to the exchange;

(21) provide for the issuance of additional Preference Shares to the extent permitted by the Preference Share Documents and to extend to such additional Preference Shares the benefits applicable to the Preference Shares under this Indenture and the Preference Share Documents; or

(22) prevent the Issuer from becoming an “investment company” as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); *provided* that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer shall have received (A) a Rating Confirmation with respect to such supplemental indenture and (B) a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such supplemental indenture, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

(b) Without the consent of the Servicer, no supplemental indenture may be entered into that (x) affects the rights, powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer or (y) affects the amount or priority of any fees payable to the Servicer under this Indenture.

(c) The Trustee is authorized to join in the execution of any such supplemental indenture and to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations that may be in the agreements, but the Trustee shall not be obligated to enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee’s own rights, duties, liabilities or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise, except to the extent required by law. Unless notified in writing by a Majority of any Class of Notes or a Majority of the Preference Shares that Holders of the Class of the Notes or Holders of the Preference Shares would be materially and adversely affected, the Trustee shall be entitled to receive and may rely on a certificate of the Servicer or an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) as to whether the interests of any Holder of Securities would be materially and adversely affected by any such supplemental indenture.

(d) If any Outstanding Notes are rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee shall enter into a supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.1 only if either (1) the Rating Condition

with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the supplemental indenture or (2) the Servicer and the Holders of 100% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes the ratings on which would be reduced or withdrawn consent to the supplemental indenture. Prior to the entry into any supplemental Indenture with respect to which a Rating Confirmation for one or more Classes of Notes is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Note informing them of such fact.

(e) At the cost of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee shall mail to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), each Rating Agency (for so long as any Notes are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency), the Collateral Administrator and each Hedge Counterparty a copy of any such proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee (or 60 calendar days before execution in the case of a supplemental indenture for the purpose described in paragraph (8) of Section 8.1(a), which shall be identified as such in a certificate of the Servicer delivered to the Trustee before the date on which such notice is required to be given).

## **Section 8.2 Supplemental Indentures With Consent of Holders.**

(a) If the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to S&P, the Trustee and the Co-Issuers may execute one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture to add any provisions to, change in any manner or eliminate any of the provisions of this Indenture, or modify in any manner the rights of the Noteholders under this Indenture with the consent of:

(1) the Servicer if the supplemental indenture would affect the rights, powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer or would affect the amount or priority of any fees payable to the Servicer under this Indenture or is with respect to any matters described in Section 8.2(b)(viii) or (ix);

(2) a Majority of each Class of Notes adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of each such Class of Notes; and

(3) a Majority of the Preference Shares adversely affected thereby.

Any proposed supplemental indenture that would also necessitate a change to the Memorandum and Articles of Association may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Memorandum and Articles of Association) has been passed to permit the Issuer's constitutional documents to be altered to conform them to the proposed change to this Indenture as certified to the Trustee by the Issuer.

(b) Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected thereby and the Holder of each Preference Share adversely affected thereby, no supplemental indenture shall:

(i) change the Stated Maturity of the principal of or the due date of any installment of interest on any Note or of any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares (other than in the case of any Maturity Extension in connection with an extension of the Replacement Period as

described in Section 2.4), reduce the principal amount or the rate of interest on any Note, or the Default Interest Rate or the Redemption Price with respect to any Note or Preference Share, or change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Share may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer, change the provisions of this Indenture relating to the application of proceeds of any Collateral to the payment of principal of or interest on Notes, or to payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, or change any place where, or the coin or currency in which, Notes or their principal or interest are paid, or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after their Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the applicable Redemption Date);

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class or Holders of Preference Shares whose consent is required for the authorization of any such supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of this Indenture or certain defaults under this Indenture or their consequences provided for in this Indenture;

(iii) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on a parity with the lien of this Indenture with respect to any part of the Collateral, or terminate the lien on any property at any time subject hereto, or deprive the Holder of any Note of the security afforded by the lien of this Indenture;

(iv) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class whose consent is required to request the Trustee to retain the Collateral or rescind the Trustee's election to retain the Collateral, pursuant to Section 5.5 or to sell or liquidate the Collateral, pursuant to Section 5.4 or 5.5;

(v) modify any of the provisions of this Section 8.2(b), or to modify other provisions of this Indenture that expressly provide by their terms that they cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note and Preference Share affected thereby;

(vi) modify the definition of "Outstanding," "Controlling Class," or "Majority," or the Priority of Payments in Section 11.1 or Section 13.1;

(vii) modify any of the provisions of this Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of Redemption Price or of interest or principal on any Note or any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the payment of dividends or other payments on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date or to affect the rights of the Holders of the Securities to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of the Notes or the Preference Shares contained in this Indenture;

(viii) except as permitted under Section 8.1(a)(22), modify (A) the restrictions on the sales of Collateral Obligations in Section 12.1 or (B) the Eligibility Criteria in Section 12.2 (and the definitions related thereto); or

(ix) except as permitted under Section 8.1(a)(22), be entered into for the purpose of adding any additional agreements as well as any amendment, modification or

waiver if the Issuer determines that the agreement, amendment, modification or waiver would, upon or after becoming effective, materially and adversely affect the rights or interest of the Holders of any Class of Securities.

(c) Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.2, the Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Collateral Administrator and each Rating Agency (for so long as any Notes are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency) a copy of such proposed supplemental indenture and shall request any required consent from the applicable Holders of Securities to be given within the Initial Consent Period. Any consent given to a proposed supplemental indenture by the Holder of any Securities, as applicable, shall be irrevocable and binding on all future Holders or beneficial owners of that Security, irrespective of the execution date of the supplemental indenture. If the Holders of less than the required percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the relevant Securities consent to a proposed supplemental indenture within the Initial Consent Period, on the first Business Day after the Initial Consent Period, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Servicer which Holders of Securities have consented to the proposed supplemental indenture and, which Holders (and, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the Trustee, which beneficial owners) have not consented to the proposed supplemental indenture. If it intends to exercise its Amendment Buy-Out Option pursuant to Section 9.6, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall so notify the Trustee in writing (which notice shall designate a date for the Amendment Buy-Out to occur no earlier than 10 Business Days after the date of such notice) no later than five Business Days after the Servicer is so notified by the Trustee and the Trustee shall promptly mail such notice to all Noteholders and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares). Any Non-Consenting Holder may give consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture until the 5th Business Day prior to the date of the Amendment Buy-Out designated by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and in such case shall cease to be a Non-Consenting Holder for purposes of the Amendment Buy-Out. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser exercises its Amendment Buy-Out Option and purchases the applicable Securities pursuant to Section 9.6 below, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, as Holder or beneficial owner of the applicable Securities, may consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture within five Business Days of the Amendment Buy-Out.

(d) It shall not be necessary for any Act of Noteholders under this Section 8.2 to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if the Act or consent approves its substance.

(e) The Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Collateral Administrator and each Rating Agency a copy of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.2 promptly after its execution by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee. Any failure of the Trustee to mail a copy of any supplemental indenture as provided in this Indenture, or any defect in the mailing, shall not in any way affect the validity of the supplemental indenture.

### **Section 8.3    Execution of Supplemental Indentures.**

In executing or accepting the additional trusts created by any supplemental indenture permitted by this Article 8 or the modifications thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture, the Trustee shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to Sections 6.1 and 6.3) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an Opinion of Counsel stating that the execution of the supplemental indenture is authorized or permitted by this Indenture and that all conditions precedent to the execution of such supplemental indenture have been satisfied. In the event that any supplemental indenture is consented to by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer (if such Servicer's consent is required hereunder) and 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes and the Preference Shares (if the consent of the Holders of the Preference Shares is required hereunder) and the Rating Condition is satisfied or is specifically waived by all consenting parties (and provided that no objection has been received from any Hedge Counterparty after delivery of such proposed supplemental indenture to such Hedge Counterparty at least 10 days prior to execution), all conditions precedent to the execution of such supplemental indenture shall be deemed satisfied, the execution of such supplemental indenture shall be authorized or permitted by this Indenture, and the Trustee shall execute and accept the additional trusts created by such supplemental indenture pursuant to this Article 8 or modification thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture without obtaining an Opinion of Counsel; *provided* that the Trustee may, but shall not be obligated to, enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise. The Servicer shall not be bound by any amendment or supplement to this Indenture that would affect the rights, powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer or would affect the amount or priority of any fees payable to the Servicer under this Indenture unless the Servicer consents to it in writing, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed. The Servicer shall follow any amendment or supplement to this Indenture by which it is bound of which it has received written notice from the time it receives a copy of the amendment from the Issuer or the Trustee.

### **Section 8.4    Effect of Supplemental Indentures; Certain Required Consents.**

Upon the execution of any supplemental indenture under this Article 8, this Indenture shall be modified in accordance therewith, and the supplemental indenture shall form a part of this Indenture for all purposes; and every Holder of Notes theretofore and thereafter authenticated and delivered under this Indenture shall be bound thereby.

Without the approval of each Hedge Counterparty to a then existing Hedge Agreement (so long as the Hedge Counterparty is not in default under any Hedge Agreement to which it is party), no supplemental indenture will be effective, and the Co-Issuers will not consent to any supplemental indenture, that would have a material adverse effect on the Hedge Counterparty. For purposes of this paragraph, any supplemental indenture will be deemed not to have a material adverse effect on the Hedge Counterparty if it does not object within 10 days of delivery of such supplemental indenture by the Trustee.

Any supplemental indenture that would necessitate a change to the Memorandum and Articles of Association may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Memorandum and Articles of Association) has been passed to permit the Memorandum and Articles of Association to be altered to conform with such proposed amendment.

**Section 8.5 Reference in Notes to Supplemental Indentures.**

Notes authenticated and delivered after the execution of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Article 8 may, and if required by the Trustee shall, bear a notice in form approved by the Trustee as to any matter provided for in the supplemental indenture. If the Applicable Issuers shall so determine, new Notes, so modified as to conform in the opinion of the Trustee and the Co-Issuers to any such supplemental indenture, may be prepared and executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated and delivered by the Trustee in exchange for Outstanding Notes.

**ARTICLE 9**

**REDEMPTION OF NOTES**

**Section 9.1 Mandatory Redemption.**

(a) If either (a) a Coverage Test is not met on any Determination Date or (b) a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, principal payments on the Notes shall be made on the related Payment Date (without payment of any Redemption Price) in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Upon receipt of notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes, at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes, then the Servicer may direct and, upon such direction and in accordance with the instructions of the Servicer, the Trustee shall sell Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for the purpose in the Collection Account will be used to redeem the Notes (but only to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes) and to pay all administrative and other fees, expenses and obligations payable under the Priority of Payments. Any sale under this Section shall be conducted in such a manner that:

(i) after giving effect to the sale, each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied or, if any Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Overcollateralization Test is not reduced,

(ii) if the sale occurs on or after the second Payment Date, after giving effect to the sale each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied or, if any Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Interest Coverage Test is not reduced, and

(iii) after giving effect to the sale each Collateral Quality Test is satisfied or, if any Collateral Quality Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Collateral Quality Test is not reduced.

(b) The Preference Shares will be redeemed in whole in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents on any Payment Date on which a mandatory

redemption of the Notes pursuant to Section 9.1(a) results in the payment in full of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes.

## **Section 9.2 Optional Redemption.**

(a) Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the Notes shall be redeemed by the Applicable Issuers, in whole but not in part, on any Payment Date from Principal Proceeds and all other funds available for that purpose in the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account at the direction of the applicable Required Redemption Percentage, which direction must be given to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Servicer not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made, at the applicable Redemption Price (exclusive of installments of interest and principal maturing on or before that date, payment of which shall have been made or duly provided for, to the Noteholders on relevant Record Dates or as otherwise provided in this Indenture). All Notes must be simultaneously redeemed, and any termination payments pursuant to Hedge Agreements must be paid.

In the event that the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee and the Issuer receive notice directing an Optional Redemption of the Notes from any one or more Holders of Preference Shares holding less than a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, within five Business Days of receipt of such notice, notify the Holders of the Preference Shares (i) of the receipt of such notice and (ii) that any Holder of Preference Shares may join in directing an optional redemption by notifying the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing within five Business Days after such Holder's receipt of the Preference Shares Paying Agent's notice.

Upon receipt of a notice of redemption pursuant to the first paragraph of this Section 9.2(a), the Servicer in its sole discretion will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Servicing Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer, direct the sale of the Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for such purpose in the Collection Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Payment Account, the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account will be at least sufficient to redeem all of the Notes and to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations. If, in the Servicer's reasonable discretion, the sale would not be sufficient to redeem the Notes, and to pay the fees, expenses and obligations, the Notes shall not be redeemed.

Upon any redemption pursuant to this Section 9.2(a), the Replacement Period will terminate in accordance with the definition of that term. The Issuer shall, at least 30 days before the Redemption Date (unless the Trustee shall agree to a shorter notice period), notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency in writing of the Redemption Date, the applicable Record Date, the principal amount of Notes to be redeemed on the Redemption Date and the applicable Redemption Prices.



(b) On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, so long as all administrative fees and expenses and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture and all amounts owing under this Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged,

(i) at the request of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings subject to the provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and Cayman Islands law; or

(ii) at the unanimous written request of the Holders of the Preference Shares, voting as a single Class or group, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a specified portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such written request subject to the provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and Cayman Islands law.

Upon a distribution pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(i), the Servicer will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Servicing Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer (and subject to Section 9.2(b)(ii)), direct the sale of all remaining Collateral Obligations. Upon a distribution pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii), the Servicer will effect the sale of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares.

### **Section 9.3 Optional Redemption Procedures.**

(a) Upon any redemption pursuant to Section 9.2, the Trustee shall give notice of a redemption by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days and not earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date, to (i) each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of DTC, Euroclear and Clearstream, as applicable, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and (ii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), to each Rating Agency. In addition, for so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the ISE and so long as the guidelines of the exchange so require, notice of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) of Senior Notes shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

(b) All notices of redemption delivered pursuant to Section 9.3(a) shall state:

- (i) the applicable Redemption Date;
- (ii) the Redemption Price of the Notes to be redeemed (in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a));

(iii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), that all of the Notes, are to be redeemed in full and that interest on the Notes to be redeemed shall cease to accrue on the Payment Date specified in the notice; and

(iv) the places where the Notes to be redeemed in whole are to be surrendered for payment of the Redemption Price, which shall be the office or agency of the Co-Issuers to be maintained as provided in Section 7.2 and, so long as any Senior Notes to be redeemed are listed on the ISE, and the Irish Paying Agent.

Notice of redemption shall be given by the Co-Issuers or, upon an Issuer Order, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Co-Issuers. Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Notes selected for redemption or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Securities.

(c) The Notes may not be redeemed pursuant to Section 9.2(a) unless either of the following conditions is satisfied:

(i) At least 10 Business Days before the Redemption Date, the Servicer shall have furnished to the Trustee evidence (in form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee) that the Issuer has entered into a binding agreement (with a financial or other institution or entity whose short-term unsecured debt obligations (other than obligations whose rating is based on the credit of a Person other than the institution) have a credit rating of at least "A-1" from S&P and of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's (or to any other institution or entity if the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's is satisfied with respect to the other entity)) to sell to the financial or other institutions, not later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date in immediately available funds, all or part of the Collateral (directly or by participation or other arrangement) at a Purchase Price at least equal to an amount sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to any Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties, and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices; or

(ii) Before entering into any binding agreement to sell all or a portion of the Collateral and selling or terminating any Hedge Agreement, the Servicer shall have certified that, in its commercially reasonable judgment, the settlement dates of the sales will be scheduled to occur on or before the Business Day before the Redemption Date and that the expected proceeds from the sales are to be delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date, in immediately available funds, in an amount (calculated as applicable in the manner provided below) sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge

Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties, and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices. For purposes of this paragraph, the amount shall be calculated with respect to the classes of Collateral listed in the table below by *multiplying* the expected proceeds of sale of the Collateral *by* the indicated percentage in the table below. For the avoidance of doubt, no Hedge Agreement shall be sold or terminated unless the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date has passed and no notice of withdrawal has been issued.

		<u>Number of Business Days Between Certification to the Trustee and Sale</u>			
		<u>Same Day</u>	<u>1 to 2</u>	<u>3 to 5</u>	<u>6 to 15</u>
1	Cash or other Eligible Investments	100%	100%	100%	100%
2	Loans (other than 5 below)	100%	93%	92%	88%
3	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations (in each case, other than 4 below)	100%	89%	85%	75%
4	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations, in each case with a Moody's Rating of "B3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "B3"	100%	75%	65%	55%
5	Synthetic Securities	100%	65%	55%	35%

Any certification delivered pursuant to this Section 9.3(c) shall include (A) the prices of, and expected proceeds from, the sale of any Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments or Hedge Agreements and (B) all calculations required by this Section 9.3(c).

(d) Any such notice of redemption may be withdrawn by the Issuer up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Trustee and the Servicer only if:

(i) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), the Servicer does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications (described in Sections 9.3(c) and 12.1(f)), as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee,

(ii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i), the Issuer receives the written request of the Majority of the Preference Shares (or, in the

case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes resulting from a Tax Event, the Affected Class) to withdraw the notice of redemption delivered by the percentage of the Preference Shares (or, in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes resulting from a Tax Event, the Affected Class) requesting redemption under Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i), as applicable, or

(iii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii), the Issuer receives the unanimous written request of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer hereby agrees for the benefit of the requesting Holders to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written request referred to in the preceding clause (B) or this clause (C)).

Notice of any withdrawal shall be sent, not later than the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date (assuming that the Trustee has received timely written notice from the Issuer as provided above), by the Trustee, to each Noteholder scheduled to be redeemed at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery (or, to the extent the address contained in the Indenture Register is not sufficient for that purpose, by first class mail) and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares). If the Issuer so withdraws any notice of redemption or is otherwise unable to complete any redemption of the Notes, the Sale Proceeds received from the sale of any Collateral Obligations sold pursuant to Sections 9.2 and 12.1(f) may, during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period) at the Servicer's discretion, be used to purchase replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria.

Notice of redemption having been given as provided above, the Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at the Redemption Price therein specified and from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Redemption Price and accrued interest) the Notes shall cease to bear interest on the Redemption Date.

Upon final payment on a Note to be so redeemed, the Holder present and surrender the Note at the place specified in the notice of redemption to receive the applicable Redemption Price unless the Holder provides an undertaking to surrender the Note thereafter.

#### **Section 9.4 Notes Payable on Redemption Date.**

(a) Notice of redemption pursuant to Section 9.3 having been given as aforesaid, the Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at the Redemption Price therein specified and from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Redemption Price and accrued interest) the Notes shall cease to bear interest on the Redemption Date. Upon final payment on a Note to be so redeemed, the Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the place specified in the notice of redemption on or before the Redemption Date unless the Co-Issuers and the Trustee receive the security or indemnity required by them to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the Note, and in the absence of notice to the Co-Issuers and the Trustee, that the applicable Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the final payment shall be made without presentation or

surrender. Payments of interest on Notes to be redeemed whose Stated Maturity is on or before the Redemption Date shall be payable to the Noteholders, or one or more predecessor Notes, registered as such at the close of business on the relevant Record Date if the Record Date is a Business Day (or, if the Record Date is not a Business Day, the close of business on the Business Day before the Record Date) according to Section 2.8(e).

(b) If any Note called for redemption is not paid on its surrender for redemption, its principal shall bear interest from the Redemption Date at the Applicable Note Interest Rate for each successive Interest Period the Note remains Outstanding if the reason for the non-payment is not the fault of the Holder of the Note.

### **Section 9.5 Special Redemption.**

Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in whole or in part, at par, in accordance with the Priority of Payments if, at any time during the Replacement Period, the Servicer elects (subject to the Servicing Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional or replacement Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the use of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations (a “*Special Redemption*”).

On the first Payment Date following the Due Period for which the notice is effective (a “*Special Redemption Date*”), the funds in the Collection Account or the Payment Account representing Principal Proceeds that, by operation of the preceding paragraph, that cannot be used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (the “*Special Redemption Amount*”) will be available to be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments under Section 11.1(c)(ii). Notice of payments pursuant to this Section 9.5 shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than three Business Days before the applicable Special Redemption Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder’s address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of DTC. In addition, for so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the ISE and so long as the guidelines of the exchange so require, notice of a redemption pursuant to this Section 9.5 of Senior Notes shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

### **Section 9.6 Amendment Buy-Out.**

(a) In the case of any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Securities held by such Holders whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture (the “*Amendment Buy-Out Option*”), in each case, for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; *provided, however*, that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser may not exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option during the Non-Call Period (i) for any reason with respect to the Class A Noteholders or (ii) with respect to Notes of any Class, in connection with a proposed amendment to reduce the rate of interest on any Note or to change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Shares may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer. If such

option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all such Securities of Non-Consenting Holders for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an “**Amendment Buy-Out**”); *provided* that if any Non Consenting Holder holds Class II Preference Shares, such Non-Consenting Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser and such Preference Shares will, subject to the terms of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, be converted into Class I Preference Shares, which shall be effected by a redemption by the Issuer of the applicable Class II Preference Shares and an issue of an equivalent number of Class I Preference Shares. By its acceptance of its Securities hereunder or under the Preference Share Documents, as applicable, each Holder of Securities agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its applicable Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser. Neither the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser nor any other Person shall have any liability to any Holder or beneficial owner of Securities as a result of an election by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser not to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option.

(b) All purchases made pursuant to an Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Securities set forth herein and in the Preference Share Documents, and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

#### **Section 9.7 Redemption by Refinancing**

(a) On any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period, any Class of the Notes may be redeemed in whole, but not in part from Refinancing Proceeds if the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, proposes to the Holders of the Preference Shares in writing (by notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares)) with a copy to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies, at least 30 days prior to the Payment Date for such redemption (such date, the “**Refinancing Date**”), to redeem such Notes in accordance with this Section 9.7 (a “**Notice of Refinancing**”), which notice shall, among other things, specify the Refinancing Date and the Class of Notes to be refinanced. Such redemption shall be effected by the Issuer obtaining a loan or an issuance of a replacement class of notes (“**Refinancing Notes**”), the terms of which loan or issuance will be negotiated by the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, from one or more financial institutions or purchasers (which may include the Servicer or its Affiliates) selected by the Servicer (a refinancing provided pursuant to such loan or issuance, a “**Refinancing**”), and provided that (i) such proposal is approved by a Majority of the Preference Shares (voting as a single class) at least 15 days prior to the Refinancing Date and (ii) the Servicer completes such Refinancing and causes the Refinancing Proceeds to be deposited with the Trustee (in immediately available funds) no later than the close of the Business Day immediately preceding the Refinancing Date.

(b) The Issuer shall obtain a Refinancing only if the Servicer determines and certifies to the Trustee that:

(i) (A) a Rating Confirmation has been obtained from each Rating Agency for each Class of Notes not subject to Refinancing and (B) a rating letter has been obtained from each Rating Agency with respect to each class of Refinancing Notes that such Refinancing Notes shall be rated at least as high as the Initial Rating of the Class of Notes subject to the Refinancing;

(ii) the proceeds from the Refinancing will be at least sufficient to pay the Refinancing Price plus any Administrative Expenses of the Issuer related to the Refinancing;

(iii) the interest rate payable in respect of the obligations providing the Refinancing is less than the interest rate payable on the Notes being refinanced;

(iv) the principal amount of any obligations providing the Refinancing is no greater than the principal amount of the Notes being redeemed with the proceeds of such obligations;

(v) the stated maturity of the obligations providing the Refinancing is no earlier than the stated maturity of the Notes being refinanced;

(vi) the Refinancing Proceeds will be used (to the extent necessary) to redeem the applicable Notes;

(vii) the agreements relating to the Refinancing contain limited recourse, non-recourse and non-petition provisions, investor qualification provisions and transfer restrictions equivalent to those applicable to the Notes being redeemed, as set forth herein;

(viii) the obligations providing the Refinancing are subject to the Priority of Payments and do not rank higher in priority pursuant to the Priority of Payments than the Class of Notes being redeemed; and

(ix) the expenses in connection with the Refinancing have been paid or will be adequately provided for.

(c) The Trustee shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to Sections 6.1 and 6.3 hereof) shall be fully protected in relying upon an Opinion of Counsel stating that the Refinancing is permitted by this Indenture and that all conditions precedent thereto have been complied with.

(d) Any Refinancing Proceeds will not constitute Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds but will be applied directly on the related Refinancing Date pursuant to this Indenture to redeem the Notes being refinanced and pay Administrative Expenses in connection with the Refinancing without regard to the Priority of Payments; *provided* that to the extent that any Refinancing Proceeds exceed the amount necessary to redeem the Notes being refinanced (and any associated Administrative Expenses), such excess Refinancing Proceeds will be treated as Principal Proceeds.

(e) If notice of consent by a Majority of the Preference Shares to a Refinancing has been received by the Trustee from the Servicer pursuant to Section 9.7(a) no later than 15 days prior to the Refinancing Date, notice of a Refinancing shall be given by the Trustee by first class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not less than 10 days prior to the proposed Refinancing Date, to each Holder of Notes of the Class to be refinanced at the address in the Indenture Register (with a copy to the Servicer) and, so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the ISE, the Irish Paying Agent.

All Notices of Refinancing shall state:

(i) the proposed Refinancing Date, which shall be the applicable Redemption Date in respect of the Notes being redeemed;

(ii) the Refinancing Price, which shall be the applicable Redemption Price in respect of the Notes being redeemed;

(iii) that on such proposed Refinancing Date such Notes will be refinanced and redeemed in full, and that, provided that the Refinancing Proceeds have been deposited with the Trustee for any such payment in full, interest on such Notes being redeemed shall cease to accrue on such date; and

(iv) the place or places where such Notes are to be surrendered for payment of the Refinancing Price which, if not stated, shall be the office or agency of any paying agent as provided in Section 7.2.

*provided* that no such Notice of Refinancing shall be sent if either (a) the Servicer has withdrawn its consent to such Refinancing or (b) the consent of a Majority of the Holders of Preference Shares to such Refinancing has not been obtained.

(f) Notice of Refinancing shall be given by the Trustee at the expense of the Issuer. Failure to give a Notice of Refinancing, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Note selected for Refinancing shall not impair or affect the validity of the Refinancing or give rise to any claim based upon such failure or defect.

Any Notice of Refinancing may be withdrawn by the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, on or prior to the fourth Business Day prior to the scheduled Refinancing Date by written notice to the Trustee, the Paying Agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Rating Agencies and the Holders of the Preference Shares. Upon receipt of such notice of withdrawal, the Trustee shall send such notice to the Holders of Notes and, if applicable, the Irish Paying Agent.

(g) If a Notice of Refinancing pursuant to Section 9.7(a) has been given as provided herein and not withdrawn, the Notes to be refinanced shall on the Refinancing Date become due and payable at the Refinancing Price. Each Holder of such Notes shall present and surrender its Note at the place specified in the Notice of Refinancing on or prior to such Refinancing Date; *provided* that if there is delivered to the Issuer and the Trustee such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender such Note, then, in the absence of notice to the Issuer and the Trustee that the applicable Note



has been acquired by a bona fide purchaser, such final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender.

If any Class of Notes called for Refinancing shall not be so paid upon surrender thereof for Refinancing (or the delivery of the indemnity pursuant to the preceding paragraph) the principal shall, until paid, bear interest from the Refinancing Date at the applicable Interest Rate for each successive Payment Date with respect to which such Note remains Outstanding.

## **ARTICLE 10**

### **ACCOUNTS, ACCOUNTINGS, AND RELEASES**

#### **Section 10.1 Collection of Money.**

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, the Trustee may demand payment or delivery of, and shall receive and collect, directly and without intervention or assistance of any fiscal agent or other intermediary, all money and other property payable to or receivable by the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture, including all payments due on the Pledged Obligations, in accordance with the terms of the Pledged Obligations. The Trustee shall segregate and hold all money and property received by it in trust for the Secured Parties and shall apply it as provided in this Indenture. Any Account may contain any number of sub-accounts for the convenience of the Trustee or as required by the Servicer for convenience in administering the Accounts, the Collateral.

Each Account shall be established and maintained (a) with a federal or state-chartered depository institution with a short-term rating of at least "A-1" by S&P (or a long-term rating of at least "A+" by S&P if such institution has no short-term rating) and if such institution's short-term rating falls below "A-1" by S&P (or its long-term rating falls below "A+" by S&P if such institution has no short-term rating), the assets held in such Account shall be transferred within 60 calendar days to another institution that has a short-term rating of at least "A-1" by S&P (or which has a long-term rating of at least "A+" by S&P if such institution has no short-term rating) or (b) in segregated trust accounts with the corporate trust department of a federal or state-chartered deposit institution subject to regulations regarding fiduciary funds on deposit similar to Title 12 of the Code of Federal Regulation Section 9.10(b).

#### **Section 10.2 Collection Account.**

(a) Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Collection Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, and into which the Trustee shall from time to time deposit, in addition to the deposits required pursuant to Section 10.7(e), immediately upon the Trustee's receipt thereof:

(i) any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account pursuant to Section 10.3(g),

(ii) all Principal Proceeds (unless (1) simultaneously used to purchase Collateral Obligations in accordance with Article 12, (2) deposited into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or (3) posted by the Issuer as cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security or in Eligible Investments) received by the Trustee,

(iii) all Interest Proceeds received by the Trustee (unless simultaneously used to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations in accordance with Article 12 or in Eligible Investments), and

(iv) all other funds received by the Trustee from the Collateral and not excluded above.

In addition to the items described above, the Issuer may, but under no circumstances shall be required to, deposit from time to time any monies, securities and other instruments in the Collection Account it deems, in its sole discretion, to be advisable (and may designate any amounts deposited pursuant to this sentence as Principal Proceeds or Interest Proceeds in its discretion). Any Principal Proceeds received during the Replacement Period, and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments received after the Replacement Period, which have not been used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations on the Business Day of receipt shall be deposited in the Collection Account and shall at the direction of the Servicer be applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the other requirements set forth herein or the purchase of Eligible Investments pending such application or used to enter into additional Hedge Agreements or used in connection with a Special Redemption. Principal Proceeds (other than Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Risk Obligations, Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments) received after the Replacement Period shall be deposited into the Collection Account and applied to the purchase of Eligible Investments. All monies deposited from time to time in the Collection Account pursuant to this Indenture shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and shall be applied to the purposes provided in this Indenture. Amounts in the Collection Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(a).

(b) Within one Business Day after receipt of any distribution or other proceeds of the Collateral that are not Cash, the Trustee shall so notify the Issuer and the Servicer. Within five Business Days of receipt of the notice from the Trustee, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall sell the distribution or other proceeds for Cash in an arm's length transaction to a Person that is not the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer and deposit its proceeds in the Collection Account. The Issuer need not sell the distributions or other proceeds if it delivers an Issuer Order or an Officer's certificate to the Trustee and the Servicer certifying that the distributions or other proceeds are Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, or Workout Assets.

(c) During the Replacement Period (or, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall

withdraw funds on deposit in the Collection Account representing Principal Proceeds (and, to the extent expressly provided in this Indenture, Interest Proceeds) and apply the funds to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), in each case in accordance with the requirements of Article 12 and the Issuer Order.

(d) At any time during or after the Replacement Period, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall, pay from amounts on deposit in the Collection Account on any Business Day during any Interest Period from Interest Proceeds only, any Administrative Expenses that require payment before the next Payment Date to the extent that the amount of the payments does not exceed the aggregate amount that may be paid on the next Payment Date under, and at the level of priority specified by, clauses (i)-(iii) of Section 11.1(b).

(e) The Trustee shall transfer to the Payment Account from the Collection Account for application pursuant to Section 11.1 on or not later than the Business Day preceding each Payment Date, the amount set forth to be so transferred in the Valuation Report for the Payment Date.

### **Section 10.3 Other Accounts.**

(a) *Custodial Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated trust account that shall be designated as the Custodial Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, and into which the Trustee shall deposit the Collateral Obligations and other Collateral not deposited elsewhere in accordance with this Indenture (other than Loans, Participations and general intangibles, which in the case of Loans and Participations, shall be held by the Trustee as provided in Section 3.2). All assets or securities at any time on deposit in or otherwise to the credit of the Custodial Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties. The only permitted withdrawals from the Custodial Account shall be in accordance with this Indenture. The Co-Issuers shall not have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Custodial Account other than in accordance with Section 3.2 and the Priority of Payments.

(b) *Revolving Reserve Account and Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish (i) a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account which shall be designated as the Revolving Reserve Account and (ii) a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, each of which shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. Upon the purchase of any Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, at the direction of the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit Principal Proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account, in the case of a Revolving Loan, and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, in the case of a Delayed Drawdown Loan, each equal to the unfunded Commitment Amount of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan,

respectively, and the Principal Proceeds so deposited shall be considered part of the Purchase Price of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan for purposes of Article 12. At the direction of the Servicer at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall withdraw funds from the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to fund extensions of credit pursuant to Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans, respectively. In addition, to the extent that the Issuer receives proceeds of a repayment in respect of a Revolving Loan (except to the extent of any concurrent Commitment Reduction) at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall deposit the proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account. Upon the sale of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan in whole or in part or the reduction in part or termination of the Issuer's commitment thereunder, an amount on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, as the case may be, specified by the Servicer as being equal to:

- (i) the unfunded amount of the commitment (in the case of a sale in whole or a termination of the commitment),
- (ii) the proportionate amount of the amount on deposit (in the case of a sale in part), or
- (iii) the amount by which the commitment is reduced (in the case of a reduction thereof in part),

shall be transferred by the Trustee to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds. Amounts on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(b). All interest and other income from amounts in the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.4(b) shall be considered Interest Proceeds in the Due Period in which they are so deposited.

(c) *Expense Reimbursement Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Expense Reimbursement Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On any Payment Date and on any date between Payment Dates, the Trustee will apply amounts, if any, in the Expense Reimbursement Account to the payment of expenses and fees that must be paid between Payment Dates or that are due on that Payment Date under clauses (i)-(iii) of Section 11.1(b) and the Trustee shall on any Payment Date transfer to the Expense Reimbursement Account an amount equal to the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts due under clauses (i)-(iii) of Section 11.1(b) to the Expense Reimbursement Account in accordance with Section 11.1(b)(iv); *provided* that the Trustee shall be entitled (but not required), without liability on its part, to refrain from making such payments if, in the reasonable determination of the Trustee, the payment of such amounts would leave insufficient funds available to pay in full each of the items described in the Priority of Payments in amounts reasonably anticipated by the Trustee to be payable on the next Payment Date, or would result in payments being made that are inconsistent with the items described in the Priority of Payments. Funds in the Expense Reimbursement Account shall be used to purchase Eligible Investments in accordance with Section 10.4(a).

(d) *Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties (other than the Hedge Counterparty pledging the Collateral), over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. The Trustee shall deposit all collateral received from a Hedge Counterparty under any Hedge Agreement into the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account shall be (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer under a Hedge Agreement if the Hedge Agreement becomes subject to early termination, or (ii) to return collateral to the relevant Hedge Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Hedge Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(a) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(e) *Synthetic Security Collateral Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal, and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Synthetic Security and delivers a copy of it to the Trustee, the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the Synthetic Security Collateral Account with respect to the Synthetic Security.

All Synthetic Security Collateral posted by any Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Synthetic Security shall be immediately deposited into the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Synthetic Security. On each day on which amounts are payable to the Issuer out of Synthetic Security Collateral, the Issuer by Issuer Order shall direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, withdraw amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in an amount sufficient to make the payment as provided in the Issuer Order (including any total or partial release of Synthetic Security Collateral). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty to the Issuer under a Synthetic Security if the Synthetic Security becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the Synthetic Security upon any "event of default" under and as defined in the terms of the Synthetic Security, including liquidating the related Synthetic Security Collateral Account or (ii) to return Synthetic Security Collateral to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty at the termination of the relevant Synthetic Security Agreement or as otherwise required by the Synthetic Security Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(b) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(f) *Securities Lending Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Securities Lending Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal, and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Securities Lending Agreement and delivers a copy of it to the Trustee, the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the Securities Lending Account with respect to the Securities Lending Agreement. All Securities Lending Collateral posted by any Securities Lending Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Securities Lending Agreement shall be immediately deposited into the Securities Lending Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Securities Lending Agreement. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Securities Lending Account shall be:

(i) for application to obligations of the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty to the Issuer under a Securities Lending Agreement if the Securities Lending Agreement becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the related Securities Lending Agreement upon any “event of default” under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement, including liquidating the related Securities Lending Collateral, or

(ii) to return the Securities Lending Collateral to the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Securities Lending Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(c). To the extent provided in a Securities Lending Agreement, earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be payable by the Issuer to the related Securities Lending Counterparty.

Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the loaned security or asset that relates to the Securities Lending Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer.

(g) *Closing Date Expense Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Closing Date Expense Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On the Closing Date, the Trustee, at the direction of the Issuer, shall deposit into the Closing Date Expense Account approximately U.S.\$1,800,000 from the proceeds of the Offering. At any time before the Payment Date in November 2008, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall, pay from amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account any

applicable fees and expenses of the Offering. On the Payment Date in November 2008, at the direction of the Servicer in its sole discretion, the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account to the Collection Account as Interest Proceeds (to the extent such funds are not required to be applied to cure a Rating Confirmation Failure) or Principal Proceeds and close the Closing Date Expense Account.

Amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(a) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(h) *Payment Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Payment Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Payment Account shall be to pay amounts due and payable on the Notes in accordance with their terms and the provisions of this Indenture and to pay Administrative Expenses and other amounts specified in this Indenture, each in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Co-Issuers shall not have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Payment Account other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

(i) *Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account.* With respect to any Payment Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion (or all) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer, from available funds in the Payment Account as provided in the Priority of Payments, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. On the first Payment Date that the Servicer elects to waive a portion (or all) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee and the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of Holders of the Class II Preference Shares, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On each Payment Date that the Servicer elects to waive a portion (or all) of its Servicing Fees, to the extent of available funds in accordance with the Priority of Payments (but subject to Section 13.1), the Trustee shall deposit into the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account amounts equal to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments. For purposes of any calculation under this Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

(j) *Interest Reserve Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Interest Reserve Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. The Trustee shall credit to the Interest Reserve Account the Interest Reserve

Amount, from the deposit made therein as provided in Section 3.1(a)(xvi). All amounts in the Interest Reserve Account shall be applied on the November 2008 Payment Date as Adjusted Interest Proceeds in accordance with Section 11.1(c)(i) hereof.

(k) In addition to any deposit, withdrawal, transfer or other application of funds with respect to any Account set forth in this Section 10.3 or in Section 10.2, any deposit, withdrawal, transfer or other application of funds with respect to any Account authorized elsewhere in this Indenture is hereby authorized pursuant to this Section 10.3.

(l) In order to comply with its obligations under the USA PATRIOT Act of 2001, if any, the Trustee shall be entitled to request and verify, and the Noteholders, beneficial owners, the Co-Issuers and other parties related to this Indenture shall be obligated to provide to the Trustee all the necessary information required by the USA PATRIOT Act of 2001.

#### **Section 10.4 Application of Funds in Accounts; Reports by Trustee.**

(a) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall at all times before an Event of Default occurs, direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, use all funds on deposit in the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Interest Reserve Account and the Closing Date Expense Account as so directed to purchase Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. All applications on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any Eligible Investments. Before an Event of Default occurs, if the Issuer has not given directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Servicer within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Interest Reserve Account or the Closing Date Expense Account. If the Trustee does not receive written instructions from the Servicer within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall apply the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (c) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. After an Event of Default occurs, if the Issuer does not give directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall apply the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (c) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing not later than the earlier of (i) 30 days after the date of the application or (ii) the Business Day before the next Payment Date. All interest and other income from such Eligible Investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from such Eligible Investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from such Eligible Investments shall be charged to the Collection Account. Subject to Section 6.7, the Trustee shall not in any way be held liable for the selection of Eligible Investments or because of any insufficiency of the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account or any other account that results from any loss relating to any such Eligible Investment.

(b) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall at all times direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of



the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, apply all funds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, and the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities not later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase. All applications on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any Eligible Investments. If before an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Servicer within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account. If the Trustee does not thereupon receive written instructions from the Servicer within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall apply the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that are overnight funds. If after an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall apply the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that are overnight funds. All interest and other income from such Eligible Investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from such Eligible Investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from such Eligible Investments shall be charged to the Collection Account.

(c) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall at all times direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, apply all funds on deposit in the Securities Lending Account in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. All applications on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any Eligible Investments. The interest on the Eligible Investments shall be allocated between the Issuer and the Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the related Securities Lending Agreement. If before an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Servicer within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Securities Lending Account. If the Trustee does not thereupon receive written instructions from the Servicer within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall apply the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that mature no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. If after an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall apply the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. All interest and other income from such Eligible Investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from such Eligible Investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from such Eligible Investments shall be charged to the Collection Account.

(d) The Trustee agrees to give the Issuer notice as soon as reasonably practicable if a Trust Officer obtains actual knowledge that any Account or any funds on deposit in any Account, or otherwise to the credit of an Account, shall become subject to any writ, order, judgment, warrant of attachment, execution or similar process. All Accounts shall remain at all times with

the Custodian or a financial institution having a long-term debt rating of at least “Baa1” (and not on credit watch with negative implications) by Moody’s and having combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000 that has entered into one or more securities account control agreements in accordance with Article 8 of the UCC; *provided, however*, that (i) with respect to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Synthetic Security Counterparty shall be a party to such control agreement and shall consent to the Trustee’s control of such Synthetic Security Collateral Account, (ii) with respect to the Securities Lending Account, the Securities Lending Counterparty shall be a party to such control agreement and shall consent to the Trustee’s control of such Securities Lending Account and (iii) with respect to each Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the related Hedge Counterparty shall be a party to such control agreement and shall consent to the Trustee’s control of such Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.

(e) The Trustee shall supply, in a timely fashion, to the Co-Issuers and the Servicer any information regularly maintained by the Trustee that the Co-Issuers or the Servicer may from time to time request with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the Accounts and the Collateral and provide any other requested information reasonably available to the Trustee because of its acting as Trustee under this Indenture and required to be provided by Section 10.6, to permit the Servicer to perform its obligations under the Servicing Agreement. The Trustee shall promptly forward to the Servicer copies of notices and other writings received by it from the issuer of any Collateral Obligation or from any Clearing Agency with respect to any Collateral Obligation which notices or writings advise the holders of the security of any rights that the holders might have with respect to the Collateral Obligation (including requests to vote with respect to amendments or waivers and notices of prepayments and redemptions) as well as all periodic financial reports received from the issuer and Clearing Agencies with respect to the issuer.

(f) To the extent monies deposited in any Account exceed amounts insured by the Bank Insurance Fund or Savings Association Insurance Fund administered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any agencies succeeding to its insurance functions, and are not fully collateralized by direct obligations of the United States of America, the excess shall be used to purchase Eligible Investments as described above.

### **Section 10.5 Synthetic Security Counterparty Account.**

(a) To the extent that any Synthetic Security requires the Issuer to secure its obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty or to the extent that any Synthetic Security has an unfunded amount payable by the Issuer that does not by its terms require collateral, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee and the Trustee shall establish a segregated non-interest bearing trust account (a “***Synthetic Security Counterparty Account***”) for the Synthetic Security which shall be held in trust for the benefit of the related Synthetic Security Counterparty and over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security as directed by the Servicer. In the alternative, a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account may be established with a trustee designated by the Synthetic Security Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that trustee would qualify to be a successor trustee under Section 6.9 and the account satisfies the other requirements of this Section.

As directed in writing by the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit (or deliver for deposit) into each Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, from funds or Eligible Investments on deposit in the Collection Account, all amounts or securities that are required to secure the obligations of the Issuer in accordance with the related Synthetic Security and, without duplication, an amount equal to the unfunded amount of a Synthetic Security, including the entire notional amount of any Synthetic Security in the form of a credit default swap or other similar transaction, in each case as directed by the Servicer. The Servicer shall direct any such deposit only during the Replacement Period and only to the extent that monies are available for the purchase of Collateral Obligations pursuant to this Indenture. Any income received on amounts in the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall, after application in accordance with the relevant Synthetic Security, be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Interest Proceeds.

(b) As directed by the Servicer in writing and in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and this Indenture, amounts on deposit in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in Synthetic Security Collateral.

(c) In connection with the occurrence of a credit event or an event of default or a termination event (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security) under the related Synthetic Security, amounts in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be withdrawn by the Trustee (or the Trustee shall request their withdrawal) and applied toward the payment of any amounts payable by the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the Synthetic Security, as directed by the Servicer in writing; *provided* that any Defaulted Synthetic Security Termination Payments shall be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Any excess amounts held in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, or held directly by a Synthetic Security Counterparty, after payment of all amounts owing from the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the related Synthetic Security shall be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Principal Proceeds.

(d) Amounts on deposit in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the Synthetic Security that relates to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer (with the notional amount as the Principal Balance unless a default exists under the applicable Synthetic Security).

#### **Section 10.6 Accountings.**

(a) *Monthly.* Commencing the earlier of (a) the first full month after the Ramp-Up Completion Date and (b) July 25, 2008, (i) in the case of a month in which there is no Payment Date, not later than the eighth Business Day after the last calendar day of such month and (ii) in the case of a month in which there is a Payment Date, on such Payment Date, the Issuer shall cause to be compiled and provided to the Servicer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares), the Initial Purchaser, each Hedge Counterparty, the Rating Agencies, (if so requested by the Initial Purchaser) or each Holder of a Note who makes a written request therefor, and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, the Beneficial Owner (or

its designee), a monthly report (the “**Monthly Report**”); *provided* that a Monthly Report may be provided to any such party by posting such Monthly Report on the Trustee’s password-protected website initially located at <http://www.cdocalc.com/ibt/cdo/> and providing access thereto to such parties. Each Monthly Report shall be accompanied by a Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice. The Monthly Report shall contain the following information, determined as of (1) in the case of a month in which there is no Payment Date, the last day of the applicable month and (2) in the case of a month in which there is a Payment Date, the Determination Date for such Payment Date, based in part on information provided by the Servicer (the “**Monthly Determination Date**”):

(i) *Collateral:*

(A) The Aggregate Principal Balance (and, in the case of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its funded and unfunded amount), interest rate, Stated Maturity and obligor of each Collateral Obligation;

(B) The stated principal balance of Defaulted Collateral Obligations;

(C) The Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that are Cov-lite Loans;

(D) The identity of all Collateral Obligations and all obligations that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange do not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that were released for sale or other disposition (and, for each obligation sold, indicating whether sold as a Credit Risk Obligation, a Credit Improved Obligation, a Current-Pay Obligation, a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, a Workout Asset or an obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation or whether sold in connection with any withholding tax pursuant to Section 12.1(e) or sold as a discretionary sale pursuant to Section 12.1(h)); and the identity of all Collateral Obligations that were acquired, in each case since the date of the previous Monthly Report;

(E) The obligor of each Workout Asset;

(F) The Purchase Price of each Collateral Obligation acquired, the sale price of each Collateral Obligation sold (or the adjusted purchase or sale price with respect to any exchange of securities requiring an allocation by the Servicer) since the date of the previous Monthly Report on each sale;

(G) The identity of each Collateral Obligation (1) that is a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, a Workout Asset, a Cov-lite Loan, a Deep Discount Obligation (including Deep Discount Obligations purchased below 50% of their Principal Balance) or a PIK Security, and in the case of a PIK Security (i) the principal amount of previously deferred or capitalized interest and (ii) the change in the principal amount of previously deferred or capitalized interest since the most recent Monthly Report or (2) in respect of which an obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation has been received, in each case indicating the date of such

default, as applicable, and reporting any Other Indebtedness, as defined in clause (ii) in the definition of “Defaulted Collateral Obligation,” that the Servicer has determined not to be material;

(H) The S&P Industry Classification and the Moody’s Industry Classification for each Collateral Obligation and the five highest concentrations of Collateral Obligations in the Moody’s Industry Classification groups and the five highest concentrations of Collateral Obligations in the S&P Industry Classification groups;

(I) For each Collateral Obligation, the country of the obligor (and the related foreign currency debt rating) and, in the case of a country other than the United States of America, whether the obligor is Domiciled in a Moody’s Group I Country, Moody’s Group II Country, or Moody’s Group III Country and the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations issued by issuers in the applicable country;

(J) For each Collateral Obligation, the Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate and S&P Recovery Rate;

(K) For each Collateral Obligation, the S&P Rating, and if any S&P Rating for any Collateral Obligation in any Monthly Report is a credit estimate, “non-public” rating or “shadow” rating, the rating shall not be disclosed, but shall be replaced with an asterisk in the place of the applicable credit estimate, “non-public” rating or “shadow” rating;

(L) For each Collateral Obligation, the Moody’s Rating and the Moody’s Rating Factor, determined, for this purpose, and set forth both with and without regard to whether the Collateral Obligation has been put on watch for possible upgrade or downgrade, and if any Moody’s Rating for any Collateral Obligation in any Monthly Report is an “estimated” or “shadow” rating, the rating shall not be disclosed, but shall be replaced with an asterisk in the place of the applicable “estimated” or “shadow” rating;

(M) The Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that have a Moody’s Rating of “Caa1” or lower;

(N) The Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that have an S&P Rating of “CCC+” or lower;

(O) For each Collateral Obligation that is a Participation or a Synthetic Security or is loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement, the related Secondary Risk Counterparty and each Rating Agency’s long-term unsecured debt rating of the Secondary Risk Counterparty;

(P) Certain S&P benchmarks relating to the portfolio as provided by S&P in the S&P CDO Monitor regardless whether or not the S&P CDO Monitor passes or fails, including (1) S&P Default Measure (Annualized Portfolio Default

Rate), (2) S&P Variability Measure (Annualized Standard Deviation of Portfolio Default Rate), (3) S&P Correlation Measure (Ratio of Standard Deviation of Portfolio with Correlation to Standard Deviation of Portfolio without Correlation) and (4) Weighted Average Default Correlation;

(Q) The identity and Market Value of each Collateral Obligation whose Market Value (in the determination of the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator) was determined pursuant to last proviso in the definition of "Market Value;"

(R) The identity of each Collateral Obligation participated from or entered into with a Secondary Risk Counterparty; and

(S) The identity of each Collateral Obligation owned by the Issuer that has not been disposed of within the time limits required by this Indenture.

(ii) *Accounts:*

(A) The amount of any proceeds in the Collection Account, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds (excluding unapplied proceeds), and unapplied proceeds;

(B) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Revolving Reserve Account;

(C) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account;

(D) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account;

(E) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Securities Lending Account; and

(F) The amount of any proceeds in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account;

(iii) *Hedge Agreements:*

(A) The outstanding notional amount of each Hedge Agreement; and

(B) The amount scheduled to be received and paid by the Issuer pursuant to each Hedge Agreement on the next Payment Date (as specified by the calculation agent under each Hedge Agreement);

(iv) *Coverage Tests, Collateral Quality Tests and Interest Diversion Test:*

(A) The Overcollateralization Ratios and the Overcollateralization Ratios as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date; a statement as to whether each of the Overcollateralization Tests is satisfied and a statement as to whether the Interest Diversion Test is satisfied;

(B) The Interest Coverage Ratios and, on and after the second Payment Date, a statement as to whether each of the Interest Coverage Tests is satisfied;

(C) The Diversity Score and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Diversity Test is satisfied;

(D) The Weighted Average Life of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied;

(E) The Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate, the S&P Recovery Rate and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test with respect to the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate and Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test with respect to the S&P Recovery Rate is satisfied;

(F) The Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied and a statement as to the amount of Spread Excess was used to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test;

(G) The Weighted Average Spread of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied and a statement as to the amount of Fixed Rate Excess was used to satisfy the Weighted Average Spread Test;

(H) The Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied; and

(I) The S&P CDO Monitor Test and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied and the Scenario Default Rate and the then applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate with respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P;

(v) *Concentration Limitations and Withholding Taxes:*

(A) The percentage of the Maximum Amount itemized against each element of the Concentration Limitations and a statement as to whether each Concentration Limitation is satisfied; and

(B) Any withholding tax on payments under any Collateral Obligation;

(vi) *Securities Lending Agreements:*

(A) Each Collateral Obligation loaned or borrowed pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and the percentage of the Maximum Amount that represents Collateral Obligations that are loaned or borrowed pursuant to Securities Lending Agreements; and

(B) With respect to each Securities Lending Agreement in effect as of the Monthly Determination Date, a list setting forth:

(1) for each Collateral Obligation loaned or borrowed under it as of the first day of the loan, (x) its Principal Balance, (y) its Market Value and (z) its Principal Balance expressed as a percentage of the Maximum Amount,

(2) the term of the loan of the Collateral Obligation,

(3) the expiration date of the Securities Lending Agreement,

(4) the Moody's Rating and S&P Rating for each loaned or borrowed Collateral Obligation,

(5) the principal amount of the related Securities Lending Collateral held in the Securities Lending Account, and

(6) the Eligible Investments held as Securities Lending Collateral pursuant to the related Securities Lending Agreement; and

(vii) Any other information the Trustee reasonably requests.

Upon receipt of each Monthly Report, the Trustee shall compare the information contained in the Monthly Report to the information contained in its records with respect to the Collateral and shall, within three Business Days after receipt of such Monthly Report, notify the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer if the information contained in the Monthly Report does not conform to the information maintained by the Trustee with respect to the Collateral, and shall detail any discrepancies. In the event that any discrepancy exists, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Servicer shall attempt to resolve the discrepancy. If such discrepancy cannot be promptly resolved, the Trustee shall within five Business Days after notification of such discrepancy cause the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8 to review such Monthly Report and the Trustee's records to determine the cause of such discrepancy. If such review reveals an error in the Monthly Report or the Trustee's records, the Monthly Report or the Trustee's records shall be revised accordingly and, as so revised, shall be used in making all calculations pursuant to this Indenture and notice of any error in the Monthly Report shall be sent as soon as practicable by the Issuer to all recipients of the report. If the review by the Independent accountants does not resolve the discrepancy, the Trustee, upon receipt of an Officer's certificate of the Servicer certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the information contained in the related Monthly Report is correct, shall conform the information it maintains to the Monthly Report received.



(b) *Payment Date Accounting.* The Issuer shall cause to be rendered an accounting report (the “**Valuation Report**”), determined as of the close of business on each Determination Date, and provided to the Servicer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares), the Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, each Hedge Counterparty, the Rating Agencies and each Noteholder (if so requested by the Initial Purchaser), the Depository (with instructions to forward it to each of its Agent Members who are Noteholders), and upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner and the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) not later than the second Business Day preceding the related Payment Date. Each Valuation Report shall be accompanied by a Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice. The Valuation Report shall contain the following information as of the related Payment Date (unless otherwise stated), based in part on information provided by the Servicer:

(i) *Notes:*

(A) The amount of principal payments to be made on each Class of Notes on the related Payment Date;

(B) The Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes after giving effect to any principal payments on the related Payment Date and, for each Class of Notes, the percentage of its initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount that amount represents;

(C) For each Class of Notes, the percentage of the initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all of the Notes that its initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount represented and, after giving effect to any principal payments on the related Payment Date, the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all of the Notes that its Aggregate Outstanding Amount represents;

(D) The interest payable in respect of each Class of Notes on the related Payment Date (in the aggregate and by Class) and its calculation in reasonable detail; and

(E) The amounts to be paid, if any, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payments on the Preference Shares on the related Payment Date, showing separately the payments from Interest Proceeds and the payments from Principal Proceeds;

(ii) *Payment Date Payments:*

(A) The amounts to be distributed under each clause of Sections 11.1(b), 11.1(c)(i) and 11.1(c)(ii) itemized by clause, and to the extent applicable, by type of distribution under the clause; and

(B) Any amounts payable under the Hedge Agreements by any Hedge Counterparty on or before the related Payment Date and its calculation in reasonable detail (as specified by the calculation agent under the Hedge Agreement);

(iii) *Accounts:*

(A) The amount of any proceeds in the Collection Account, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds (excluding unapplied proceeds) and unapplied proceeds;

(B) The amount in the Collection Account after all payments and deposits to be made on the related Payment Date, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds and as Principal Proceeds;

(C) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Revolving Reserve Account;

(D) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account;

(E) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account;

(F) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Securities Lending Account;

(G) The amount in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account; and

(H) The amount in the Expense Reimbursement Account;

(iv) A notice setting forth LIBOR, as calculated by the Calculation Agent, for the next Interest Period and each Note Interest Rate for the next Payment Date; and

(v) Any other information the Trustee reasonably requests.

Upon receipt of each Valuation Report, the Trustee shall compare the information contained in the Valuation Report to the information contained in its records with respect to the Collateral and shall, within three Business Days after receipt of such Valuation Report, notify the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer if the information contained in the Valuation Report does not conform to the information maintained by the Trustee with respect to the Collateral, and shall detail any discrepancies. In the event that any discrepancy exists, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Servicer shall attempt to resolve the discrepancy. If such discrepancy cannot be promptly resolved, the Trustee shall within five Business Days after notification of such discrepancy cause the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8 to review such Valuation Report and the Trustee's records to determine the cause of such discrepancy. If such review reveals an error in the Valuation Report or the Trustee's records, the Valuation Report or the Trustee's records shall be revised accordingly and, as so revised, shall be used in making all calculations pursuant to this Indenture and notice of any error in the Valuation Report shall be sent as soon as practicable by the Issuer to all recipients of such report. If the review by the Independent accountants does not resolve the discrepancy, the Trustee, upon receipt of an Officer's certificate of the Servicer certifying that, to the best

knowledge of the Servicer, the information contained in the related Valuation Report is correct, shall conform the information it maintains to the Valuation Report received.

(c) *Optional Redemption Instructions.* Not less than three Business Days after an Issuer Order electing an Optional Redemption of the Notes pursuant to Section 9.2 has been delivered to the Trustee, the Issuer shall compute the following information and provide such information in a statement (the “*Redemption Date Statement*”) delivered to the Trustee, the Servicer and the Rating Agencies:

(i) the amounts payable to the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Hedge Counterparty, the Issuer and the Servicer pursuant to Sections 11.1(b) and (d);

(ii) any amount payable to any Synthetic Security Obligor;

(iii) the amount in the Collection Account available for payment of the Optional Redemption Price; and

(iv) the Optional Redemption Price.

(d) *Failure to Provide Accounting.* If the Trustee shall not have received any accounting provided for in Section 10.6(b) on the first Business Day after the date on which the accounting is due to the Trustee, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Servicer, and the Servicer shall use all reasonable efforts to cause the accounting to be made by the applicable Payment Date. To the extent the Trustee is required to provide any information or reports pursuant to this Section 10.6 as a result of the failure of the Issuer (or anyone acting on the Issuer’s behalf) to provide the information or reports, the Trustee may retain an Independent certified public accountant in connection therewith and the reasonable costs incurred by the Trustee for the Independent certified public accountant shall be reimbursed pursuant to Section 6.8.

(e) *Irish Stock Exchange.* So long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the ISE:

(i) the Trustee shall communicate to the ISE the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each listed Class of Senior Notes following each Payment Date and inform the ISE if any such Class of Senior Notes did not receive scheduled payments of principal or interest on the Payment Date;

(ii) the Trustee shall inform the ISE if the ratings assigned to the Senior Notes are reduced or withdrawn and the information shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE;

and (iii) the Trustee shall inform the ISE, in advance, of the Note Interest Rate for each such Class, as well as the exact date of the following Payment Date.

(f) *Quarterly Letter.* The Servicer shall provide a quarterly letter to the recipients of the Valuation Report highlighting events occurring during the related quarterly period within 30 days of the date of the delivery of the Valuation Report.

(g) *S&P CDO Monitor.* On or after the Ramp-Up Completion Date and together with each Monthly Report, the Issuer shall provide to S&P the Excel Default Model Input File.

(h) *Payments or Transfers from the Payment Account.* Each Valuation Report shall constitute instructions to the Trustee to withdraw on the related Payment Date from the Payment

Account and pay or transfer amounts set forth in such Valuation Report in the manner specified and in accordance with the priority established in Section 11.1 hereof.

**Section 10.7 Release of Collateral.**

(a) The Trustee shall present Collateral for redemption or payment in full in accordance with the terms of the Collateral upon receipt of an Issuer Order. If no Event of Default is continuing, the Issuer may, by Issuer Order executed by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, delivered to the Trustee at least two Business Days before the settlement date for any sale of an obligation certifying that the sale of the Collateral is being made in accordance with Sections 12.1 and 12.3 and the sale complies with all applicable requirements of Section 12.1, direct the Trustee to release the Collateral and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall deliver any such Collateral, if in physical form, duly endorsed to the broker or purchaser designated in the Issuer Order or otherwise cause an appropriate transfer of it to be made, in each case against receipt of the sales price therefor as specified by the Servicer in the Issuer Order. The Trustee may deliver any such Collateral in physical form for examination pursuant to a bailee letter.

(b) The Trustee shall, upon an Issuer Order executed by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, deliver any Pledged Obligation that is set for any mandatory call or redemption or payment in full to the appropriate paying agent on or before the date set for the call, redemption or payment, in each case against receipt of its call or redemption price or payment in full and provide notice of it to the Servicer.

(c) Upon receiving actual notice of any Offer, the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer shall notify the Servicer of any Collateral Obligation that is subject to a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion or other similar action (an “*Offer*”). If no Event of Default is continuing, the Servicer may direct the Trustee (and if an Event of Default is continuing, the Servicer may advise, and the Trustee may, in consultation with the Servicer, decide) to accept or participate in or decline or refuse to participate in the Offer and, in the case of acceptance or participation, to dispose of the Collateral Obligation in accordance with the Offer against receipt of payment for it. If the consideration to be received by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation is other than Cash, the consideration must be a Collateral Obligation that would be eligible for purchase by the Issuer pursuant to Section 12.2 assuming for this purpose that the Issuer committed to purchase the same on the date on which the Issuer accepts the Offer.

(d) Upon disposition by the Trustee of Collateral to any Person against receipt of payment therefore as provided in any of the foregoing clauses (a), (b) or (c), the Collateral shall be free of the lien of this Indenture. The lien shall continue in the proceeds received from the disposition.

(e) As provided in Section 10.2(b), the Trustee shall deposit any proceeds received by it from the disposition of a Pledged Obligation in the Collection Account, unless simultaneously applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer’s purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or Eligible

Investments as permitted under and in accordance with the requirements of this Article 10 and Article 12.

(f) The Trustee shall, upon receipt of an Issuer Order when no Notes are Outstanding and all obligations of the Co-Issuers under this Indenture have been satisfied, as evidenced by an Officer's certificate or an Opinion of Counsel, release any remaining Collateral from the lien of this Indenture.

(g) The Trustee shall release from the lien of this Indenture any Collateral that is provided directly to a Synthetic Security Counterparty or deposited in a segregated account in accordance with Section 10.5. Any Collateral or proceeds received by or redeposited by the Issuer into the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.5 shall again be subject to the lien of this Indenture.

Any collateral deposited in a segregated account in accordance with Section 10.3(d), (e), and (f) shall be subject to the lien of this Indenture for the benefit of the Secured Parties. Any collateral withdrawn by the Issuer in accordance with Section 10.3(d), (e), and (f) shall be released from the lien of this Indenture by the Trustee to the extent returned to the appropriate counterparty pursuant to Sections 10.3(d), (e) and (f).

#### **Section 10.8 Reports by Independent Accountants.**

(a) At the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall appoint a firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation for purposes of preparing and delivering the reports or certificates of the accountants required by this Indenture. Within 30 days of any resignation by the firm, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall promptly appoint by Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee and each Rating Agency a successor firm that is a firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation. If the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, fails to appoint a successor to a firm of Independent certified public accountants which has resigned within 30 days after the resignation, the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, shall promptly appoint a successor firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation. The fees of such Independent certified public accountants and their successors shall be payable by the Issuer as an Administrative Expense.

(b) On or before December 15 of each year commencing in 2009, the Issuer shall cause to be delivered to the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer or each Noteholder or Holder of Preference Shares upon written request therefor, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) and each Rating Agency a statement from a firm of Independent certified public accountants indicating (i) that the firm has reviewed each Valuation Report received since the last review and applicable information from the Trustee, (ii) that the calculations within those Valuation Reports have been performed in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture (except as otherwise noted in the statement) and (iii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the preceding Determination Date. If a conflict exists between the firm of Independent certified public accountants and the Issuer with respect to any

matter in this Section 10.7, the determination by that firm of Independent public accountants shall be conclusive. The statement shall be in the form of an Accountant's Certificate issued to the Issuer, the form of which shall be agreed on by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer.

(c) Upon the written request of the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any Holder of Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the firm of Independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to Section 10.7(a) to provide any Holder of Preference Shares with all information requested pursuant to Section 7.17(g) or provide the Issuer with any assistance required in its preparation.

### **Section 10.9 Reports to Rating Agencies.**

In addition to the information and reports specifically required to be provided to each Rating Agency pursuant to this Indenture, the Issuer shall provide each Rating Agency with the Accountants' Certificates delivered to the Trustee under this Indenture, and such additional information as either Rating Agency may from time to time reasonably request. In addition, any notices of restructurings and amendments received by the Issuer or the Trustee in connection with the Issuer's ownership of a DIP Loan shall be delivered by the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) or the Trustee, as the case may be, promptly to the Rating Agencies.

## **ARTICLE 11**

### **APPLICATION OF MONIES**

#### **Section 11.1 Disbursements of Monies from Payment Account.**

Notwithstanding any other provision in this Indenture, but subject to the other subsections of this Section 11.1 and to Section 13.1, on each Payment Date, the Trustee shall disburse available amounts from the Closing Date Expense Account and the Collection Account as follows and for application by the Trustee in accordance with the following priorities (the "***Priority of Payments***"):

(a) On the Closing Date, the Trustee shall pay, from the funds deposited in the Closing Expense Date Account, the fees, commissions and expenses associated with the Closing (collectively, "***Closing Expenses***") as set forth in an Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee on the Closing Date; *provided* that any such Closing Expenses may in the alternative be paid on any date after the Closing Date and prior to the Payment Date in November 2008 from the amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account pursuant to an Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee (which shall state that the amounts called for to be paid therein are Closing Expenses). All payments pursuant to this Section 11.1 may be made from the United States. The Issuer may appoint an agent or agents for purposes of making payment of expenses, fees and commissions to be paid on its behalf from outside the United States pursuant hereto and (each such person shall be considered a Paying Agent hereunder). The Issuer hereby initially appoints State Street Bank and Trust Company, as such Paying Agent for such limited purpose.

(b) On each Payment Date (including the Stated Maturity and if funds become available after the Stated Maturity, on any date after the Stated Maturity) and in accordance with the Valuation Report for the Determination Date immediately preceding such Payment Date, the

Trustee shall withdraw from the Collection Account, to the extent of the available funds therein, an amount up to the Interest Proceeds (excluding therefrom (I) any Sale Proceeds received during the Due Period relating to such Determination Date to be applied by the Trustee during the related Due Period or the immediately succeeding Due Period as set forth in Section 9.2 and Section 12.1(f) and (II) Principal Proceeds in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed purchase prices for additional Collateral Obligations with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment (as set forth in the notice from the Servicer to the Trustee) prior to the end of such Due Period for the purchase thereof, but has not settled such purchase by the end of such Due Period, as set forth in Section 12.2), and payments received from the Hedge Counterparties under any Hedge Agreements (after giving effect to the netting provisions thereunder), and, to the extent the amount of the Interest Proceeds is not sufficient, an amount up to the Principal Proceeds, and shall make a disbursement in the following order of priority:

(i) *first*, taxes and registration and filing fees owed by the Co-Issuers (without limit), *second*, the fees, expenses and indemnities of the Trustee with respect to such Payment Date and any fees, indemnities and expenses of the Trustee with respect to a previous Payment Date that were not paid on a previous Payment Date, and *third*, fees, expenses and indemnities of the Collateral Administrator with respect to such Payment Date and any fees, indemnities and expenses of the Collateral Administrator with respect to a previous Payment Date that were not paid on a previous Payment Date;

(ii) the fees, expenses and indemnities of the Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such Payment Date and any fees, indemnities and expenses of the Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to a previous Payment Date that were not paid on a previous Payment Date;

(iii) *first*, fees and expenses of the Administrator with respect to such Payment Date and any fees and expenses of the Administrator with respect to a previous Payment Date that were not paid on a previous Payment Date, and *second*, fees and expenses of the Co-Issuers (including fees and expenses of counsel and ongoing surveillance, credit estimate, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies) and any other person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for in this Indenture, and to the expenses (but not fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;

(iv) for the replenishment of the Expense Reimbursement Account to the extent any of the amounts referred to in clauses (i)-(iii) above have already been paid from funds on deposit therein (the aggregate of the amounts set forth in clauses (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) shall not exceed the Administrative Expense Cap);

(v) *first*, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with Section 10.3(i) an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee then due and payable and *second*, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and

(vi) to the payment of all amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements (if any) other than any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments (the aggregate of clauses (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (v) and (vi), the “**Aggregate Base Fees and Expenses**”).

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, any amounts to be paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the Preference Shares pursuant to this Indenture will be delivered by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account in accordance with the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

Interest Proceeds, net of amounts payable on a Payment Date pursuant to clauses (i) through (vi) above, represent “**Adjusted Interest Proceeds**” for such Payment Date. Principal Proceeds, net of amounts payable on a Payment Date pursuant to clauses (i) through (vi) above, to the extent not paid or replenished from Interest Proceeds with respect to such Payment Date, represent “**Adjusted Principal Proceeds**” (and, together with Adjusted Interest Proceeds, “**Adjusted Proceeds**”) for such Payment Date.

(c) On each Payment Date (other than a Payment Date covered by Section 11.1(d)) in accordance with the Valuation Report for the Determination Date immediately preceding such Payment Date, the Trustee shall withdraw from the Collection Account, to the extent of the available funds therein (excluding therefrom (I) any Sale Proceeds received during the Due Period relating to such Determination Date to be applied by the Trustee during the related Due Period or the immediately succeeding Due Period as set forth in Section 9.2 and Section 12.1(f) hereof and (II) Principal Proceeds in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed purchase prices for additional Collateral Obligations with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment (as set forth in the notice from the Servicer to the Trustee) prior to the end of such Due Period for the purchase thereof, but has not settled such purchase by the end of such Due Period, as set forth in Section 12.2 hereof) an amount equal to the Adjusted Proceeds and shall make the following disbursements:

(i) The Trustee shall apply such amounts constituting Adjusted Interest Proceeds (to the extent of available funds therefor) in the following order of priority:

(1) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A Notes;

(2) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class B Notes;

(3) if the Class A/B Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case, in the amount necessary so that all of the Class A/B Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in



reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (3) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as pursuant to Section 11.1(c)(ii) below on the current Payment Date);

(4) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class C Notes (excluding Class C Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class C Deferred Interest);

(5) if the Class C Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class C Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (5) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(c)(ii) below on the current Payment Date);

(6) to the payment of Class C Deferred Interest;

(7) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class D Notes (excluding Class D Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class D Deferred Interest);

(8) if the Class D Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class D Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (8) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(c)(ii) on the current Payment Date);

(9) to the payment of Class D Deferred Interest;

(10) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class E Notes (excluding Class E Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class E Deferred Interest);

(11) if the Class E Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, *first*, to the payment of principal of the Class E Notes, and *second*, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class E Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in

full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (11) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(c)(ii) on the current Payment Date);

(12) to the payment of Class E Deferred Interest;

(13) if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that a Rating Confirmation is obtained, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (13) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(c)(ii) on the current Payment Date);

(14) if the Interest Diversion Test is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, 50% of the remaining Interest Proceeds available after the payments pursuant to clause 13 above (or, if the amount necessary to cause the Interest Diversion Test to be satisfied as of such Determination Date is less than 50% of the such remaining Interest Proceeds, such necessary amount), such amount to be paid *first*, to principal of the Class E Notes, *second*, to principal of the Class D Notes, *third*, to principal of the Class C Notes, *fourth*, to principal of the Class B Notes and *fifth*, to principal of the Class A Notes, in that order, in each case, to the extent required to satisfy the Interest Diversion Test;

(15) *first*, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with Section 10.3(i) an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee then due and payable and *second*, to the payment (*pro rata* according to the amounts payable under clauses (x) and (y) below) to: (x) the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and (y) *pro rata* to each Holder of Securities entitled thereto, the applicable Extension Bonus Payment pursuant to Section 2.4;

(16) to the payment of any remaining Administrative Expenses not paid under Section 11(b)(i)-(iii) above in the respective priorities specified therein;

(17) to the payment, *pro rata*, of (i) any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments and (ii) any Defaulted Synthetic Security Termination Payments;

(18) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment of dividends *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12%;

(19) *first*, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with Section 10.3(i) of an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) the Supplemental Servicing Fee, if applicable and *second*, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Supplemental Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and;

(20) any remaining Interest Proceeds, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement;

*provided* that, after the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes has been paid in full, or so long as the Class A Notes are no longer Outstanding, if the Coverage Tests are at the same level as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds referred to under clauses (18) and (20) above, in whole or in part on any Payment Date, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute any Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be due and payable on such Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to any such Payment Date shall be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be increased accordingly. Any payments to the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be released from the lien of this Indenture and shall be paid in accordance with the provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

(ii) The Trustee shall apply the Adjusted Principal Proceeds (to the extent of available funds therefor) other than:

(A) Principal Proceeds previously used to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or otherwise used as permitted by Section 10.2,

(B) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, or the Securities Lending Account, and

(C) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed Purchase Prices for Collateral Obligations with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment before the end of the Due Period for their purchase, but has not settled the purchase by the end of the Due Period,

in the following order of priority:

(1) to the payment of the amounts described in Section 11.1(c)(i)(1)-(2) with respect to Interest Proceeds, in each case to the extent such amounts have not been paid from Adjusted Interest Proceeds with respect to such Payment Date;

(2) after the Replacement Period, *first*, at the discretion of the Servicer (with respect to Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations) to the purchase or funding of additional or replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the applicable provisions of this Indenture when appropriate Collateral Obligations are available, and until such time, to the Collection Account for the purchase of Eligible Investments; and *second*, to the payment of the Notes in the following order of Priority:

(i) to pay principal of the Class A Notes until the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof has been paid in full;

(ii) to pay principal of the Class B Notes until the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof has been paid in full;

(iii) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class C Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Class C Deferred Interest;

(iv) to pay principal of the Class C Notes until the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof has been paid in full;

(v) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class D Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Class D Deferred Interest;

(vi) to pay principal of the Class D Notes until the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof has been paid in full;

(vii) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class E Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Class E Deferred Interest;

(viii) to pay principal of the Class E Notes until the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof has been paid in full;

(3) if the Class A/B Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case, in the amount

necessary so that all of the Class A/B Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full;

(4) if the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes have been paid in full, to the payment of the amounts described in Section 11.1(c)(i)(4), in each case to the extent such amounts have not been paid from Adjusted Interest Proceeds with respect to such Payment Date;

(5) if the Class C Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class C Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full;

(6) if the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes have been paid in full, to the payment of the amounts described in Section 11.1(c)(i)(7), in each case to the extent such amounts have not been paid from Adjusted Interest Proceeds with respect to such Payment Date;

(7) if the Class D Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class D Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full;

(8) if the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes have been paid in full, to the payment of the amounts described in Section 11.1(c)(i)(10), in each case to the extent such amounts have not been paid from Adjusted Interest Proceeds with respect to such Payment Date;

(9) if the Class E Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class E Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full;

(10) if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that a Rating Confirmation is obtained, or until paid in full;

(11) (A) if the Payment Date is a Redemption Date in the following order of priority: (i) to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of the Redemption Prices of all of the Notes to be redeemed, (ii) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (15), (16) and (17) of Section 11.1(c)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder, (iii) the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment of dividends *pro rata* to the Holders of Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12%, (iv) *first*, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with Section 10.3(i) of an amount equal to the product of (x) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (y) the Supplemental Servicing Fee, if applicable and *second*, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (x) the accrued and unpaid Supplemental Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (y) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause and (v) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares of the Redemption Price of any Preference Shares to be redeemed; and

(B) if the Payment Date is a Special Redemption Date, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of the Notes in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount, in each case until paid in full;

(12) during the Replacement Period, all remaining Principal Proceeds to the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.19 and Article 12 (and, until so applied (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), to be deposited in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds);

(13) to the extent not previously paid in full under clause (11) above, after the Replacement Period, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (15), (16) and (17) under Section 11.1(c)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(14) after the Replacement Period, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment of dividends *pro rata* to the Holders of Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12%;

(15) after the Replacement Period, *first*, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with

Section 10.3(i) of an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) the Supplemental Servicing Fee, if applicable and *second*, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Supplemental Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and

(16) after the Replacement Period to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

The calculation on any Coverage Test on any Determination Date shall be made by giving effect to all payments to be made pursuant to all subclauses of the Priority of Payments as applicable, payable on the Payment Date following such Determination Date. In addition no Principal Proceeds will be used to pay a subordinated Class on a Payment Date if, after giving effect to such payment, any Coverage Test of a more senior Class of Notes is failing on such Payment Date or would fail as a result of such application of the Principal Proceeds on such Payment Date.

Any payments to the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be released from the lien of this Indenture and shall be paid in accordance with the provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

(d) On (i) the Stated Maturity (including an Optional Redemption Date or any Payment Date on which the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes is paid in full as described herein) and, if funds become available after the Stated Maturity, on any other date after the Stated Maturity, and (ii) each Payment Date (x) after the occurrence of an Event of Default and an acceleration of the Notes pursuant to Section 5.2 that has not been rescinded, or (y) after the occurrence of an Event of Default and an acceleration of the Notes pursuant to Section 5.2 that has not been rescinded and the liquidation of the Collateral pursuant to Sections 5.4 and 5.5, and, in each case, in accordance with the Valuation Report for the Determination Date immediately preceding such Payment Date or Stated Maturity (or in the case of an Optional Redemption, in accordance with the Redemption Date Statement), the Trustee shall withdraw from the Collection Account an amount equal to the Adjusted Proceeds (including Sale Proceeds, if any) and, in the case of clause (i) above, from the Expense Reimbursement Account any amount on deposit therein, and shall apply such amounts in the following order of priority:

(i) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A Notes;

(ii) to pay the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes;

(iii) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class B Notes;

(iv) to pay the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes;

(v) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class C Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Class C Deferred Interest;

(vi) to pay the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes;

(vii) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class D Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Class D Deferred Interest;

(viii) to pay the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes;

(ix) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class E Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Class E Deferred Interest;

(x) to pay the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class E Notes;

(xi) *first*, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with Section 10.3(i) of an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) the Subordinated Servicing Fee, if applicable and *second*, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause;

(xii) to the payment of any remaining Administrative Expenses not paid under Section 11(b)(i)-(iii) in the respective priorities specified therein;

(xiii) to the payment, *pro rata*, of any (i) Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments and any (ii) Defaulted Synthetic Security Termination Payments;

(xiv) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment of dividends *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12%;

(xv) *first*, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with Section 10.3(i) of an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) the Supplemental Servicing Fee, if applicable and *second*, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Supplemental Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and

(xvi) any remaining Interest Proceeds, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement;



*provided* that, after the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes has been paid in full, or so long as the Class A Notes are no longer Outstanding, if the Coverage Tests are at the same level as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds referred to under clauses (xiv) and (xvi) above, in whole or in part on any Payment Date, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute any Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be due and payable on such Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to any such Payment Date shall be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be increased accordingly. Any payments to the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be released from the lien of this Indenture and shall be paid in accordance with the provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

The obligation to pay the foregoing amounts on the Stated Maturity is absolute and unconditional, but recourse therefor will be limited to the Collateral.

(e) If on any Payment Date the amount available in the Payment Account is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by the Valuation Report, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for in the order and according to the priority under Sections 11.1(b) and (c), subject to Section 13.1, to the extent funds are available therefor.

(f) The Trustee shall remit funds to pay Administrative Expenses of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in accordance with Sections 11.1(b) and (c), to the extent available, to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer as directed and designated in an Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions) delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before each Payment Date.

(g) If the Hedge Counterparty defaults in the payment of its obligations to the Issuer under the respective Hedge Agreements on the date on which any payment is due thereunder, the Trustee shall make a demand on the Hedge Counterparty, or any guarantor, if applicable, demanding payment by 12:30 p.m., New York time, on that date. The Trustee shall give notice to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer and each Rating Agency upon the continuing failure by the Hedge Counterparty to perform its obligations during the two Business Days following a demand made by the Trustee on, the Hedge Counterparty, and (subject to Section 6.1(c)(iv)) shall take the action with respect to the continuing failure as directed by the Servicer unless an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing in which case direction is to be taken pursuant to Section 5.13.

(h) Except as otherwise expressly provided in Sections 11.1(b) and (c) above, if on any Payment Date, the amount available in the Payment Account from amounts received in the

related Due Period is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by any numbered or lettered paragraph or clause of Sections 11.1(b) and (c) to different Persons, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for by the paragraph or clause ratably in accordance with the respective amounts of the disbursements then payable, subject to Section 13.1, to the extent funds are available therefor.

(i) Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, with respect to Adjusted Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account and held in Eligible Investments pending the purchase of Collateral Obligations, any such amounts not used to purchase Collateral Obligations by the last day of the Due Period next succeeding the Due Period in which such amounts were collected may be used to purchase Collateral Obligations in subsequent Due Periods in accordance with Section 12.2 (until otherwise applied pursuant to this Section 11.1).

## ARTICLE 12

### SALE OF COLLATERAL OBLIGATIONS; PURCHASE OF COLLATERAL OBLIGATIONS

#### **Section 12.1 Sales of Collateral Obligations**

Subject to the satisfaction of the conditions specified in Section 10.6, Section 12.1 and Section 12.3 and if no Event of Default is continuing as evidenced by an Officer's certificate of the Servicer provided to the Trustee, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset if the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that the sale meets the requirements of any one of paragraphs (a) through (i) of this Section 12.1. If the Issuer sells any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset during the Replacement Period, the proceeds shall be applied in accordance with Section 12.2.

(a) *Credit Risk Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Risk Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Risk Obligation in accordance with such direction. Following any sale of a Credit Risk Obligation pursuant to this Section 12.1(a), at the direction of the Servicer during the Replacement Period, the Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (to the extent the purchase is in the best interest of the Issuer) meeting the Eligibility Criteria with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Sale Proceeds received by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral Obligation sold. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount.

(b) *Credit Improved Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Improved Obligation if either:

(i) during the Replacement Period, the Servicer has identified in writing before the sale one or more specific manners in which it will be able, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria and the requirements set forth in Section 12.1(i) below, to cause the Issuer to use the Sale Proceeds (it being understood that such identification shall not be considered either a requirement or an assurance that any specified purchase will be

consummated) to purchase one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Credit Improved Obligation by the end of the immediately succeeding Due Period (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest) which in aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Tests, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith being improved, (ii) the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests and Concentration Limitations being improved on a net basis in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased; and

(ii) after the Replacement Period, the Sale Proceeds received in respect of the Credit Improved Obligation are at least equal to its Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest;

and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Improved Obligation in accordance with such direction.

(c) *Non-Performing Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction. Non-Performing Collateral Obligations may be sold regardless of price.

(d) *Non-qualifying Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation (the “***Non-qualifying Collateral Obligation***”) at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell that obligation in accordance with such direction.

(e) *Withholding Tax Sales.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation subject to withholding tax at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction.

(f) *Optional Redemption.* After the Issuer has notified the Trustee of an Optional Redemption of the Notes in accordance with Article 9, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all or a portion of the Collateral Obligations as contemplated therein if (i) the requirements of Article 9 are satisfied and (ii) the Independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to Section 10.7 have confirmed the calculations contained in any required certificate furnished by the Servicer pursuant to Section 9.3(c). After the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares have requested an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares in accordance with Section 9.2(b), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all of the remaining Collateral Obligations (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(i)) or a portion of the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous written request of Holders of the Preference Shares (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii)) and the Trustee shall sell the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

(g) *Rating Confirmation Failure.* After the Servicer has received notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Securities, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell Collateral Obligations as contemplated in Section 9.1 and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

(h) *Workout Assets.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Workout Asset at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and regardless of price, and the Trustee shall sell the Workout Assets in accordance with such direction.

(i) *Supervening Requirement.* Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Issuer (at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise) shall not acquire or dispose of a Collateral Obligation or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. For the avoidance of doubt, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise, may direct the Trustee to sell any CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation or Deep Discount Obligation only (a) if it constitutes Credit Risk Obligation or Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or (b) in connection with the Optional Redemption as set out in paragraph (f) above. The Trustee shall have no obligation to monitor compliance by the Issuer or the Servicer with respect to the requirement set out in this paragraph (i).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation (other than the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation or a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation pursuant to a sale that meets the requirements in paragraph (a) or (c) above, as applicable) following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to Section 14 of the Servicing Agreement until a successor Servicer is appointed pursuant to Section 12 of the Servicing Agreement.

## **Section 12.2 Purchase of Collateral Obligations.**

(a) On any date during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, on any date after the Replacement Period), so long as no Event of Default is continuing, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to apply Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations) to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) if the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the conditions specified in this Section 12.2 and Section 12.3 are met.

(b) *Eligibility Criteria.* No obligations may be purchased unless each of the conditions in the following clauses (i) through (xii) (the “*Eligibility Criteria*”) is satisfied as evidenced by a certificate of the Servicer as of the date the Issuer commits to make the purchase, in each case after giving effect to the purchase and all other purchases and sales previously or simultaneously committed to:

(i) the obligation is a Collateral Obligation;

(ii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period:

(A) each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied and, if the commitment is made on or after the second Payment Date, each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied, or

(B) if any such Coverage Test is not satisfied, both:

(1) the extent of satisfaction of the Coverage Test is not reduced, and

(2) the Collateral Obligation is being purchased with Principal Proceeds other than:

(x) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, or

(y) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Workout Asset that has been received in exchange for a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;

(iii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Diversity Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(iv) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(v) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, each of the limits in the definition of "Concentration Limitations" is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(vi) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(vii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(viii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(ix) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(x) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(xi) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced; *provided, however*, that this Eligibility Criterion (xi) shall not apply either to the application of the proceeds from the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset or to the application of Principal Proceeds in respect of Defaulted Collateral Obligations; and

(xii) for any date occurring after the Replacement Period:

(A) each Coverage Test is satisfied and the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(B) each Collateral Quality Test (other than the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test) is maintained or improved and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied;

(C) each Concentration Limitation is maintained or improved and the Aggregate Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations do not exceed 7.5% of the Maximum Amount;

(D) the stated maturity of such Collateral Obligation is equal to or earlier than the stated maturity of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments or the Credit Risk Obligations or Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable;

(E) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation is at least equal to the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments or of the Credit Risk Obligations or Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable;

(F) the Scenario Default Rate for all Outstanding Classes of Notes is no worse following such purchase; and

(G) the current Moody's Ratings on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes are no lower than their Initial Rating and the current Moody's Ratings on the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes are no lower than one subcategory below their Initial Rating.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to purchase any Collateral Obligation following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to Section 14 of the Servicing Agreement until a successor Servicer is appointed pursuant Section 12 of the Servicing Agreement.

(c) *Certain Permitted Exchanges.* The Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, exchange a Collateral Obligation for another Collateral Obligation in an A/B Exchange.

(d) *Certification by Servicer.* Not later than the Business Day preceding the settlement date for any Collateral Obligation purchased after the Closing Date (but in any event no later than the release of Cash for the Purchase Price of the purchase), the Servicer shall deliver to the Trustee an Officer's certificate of the Servicer certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the purchase complies with this Section 12.2 and with Section 12.3 (determined as of the date that the Issuer commits to make the purchase).

(e) *Eligible Investments.* Cash on deposit in the Collection Account may be held at any time in Eligible Investments in accordance with Section 10.4(a) pending the application thereof to purchase Collateral Obligations.

### **Section 12.3 Conditions Applicable to All Sale and Purchase Transactions.**

(a) Any sale or purchase by the Issuer of a Collateral Obligation shall be conducted on an arm's length basis and, if effected with the Servicer or a Person Affiliated with the Servicer or any fund or account for which the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer acts as investment adviser, shall be effected in accordance with the requirements of Section 5 of the Servicing Agreement on terms no less favorable to the Issuer than would be the case if the Person were not so Affiliated. The Trustee shall have no responsibility to oversee compliance with this clause (a) by the other parties.

(b) Upon any acquisition of any Collateral Obligation, all of the Issuer's interest in the Collateral Obligation shall be Granted to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture.

(c) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Article 12, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to sell or purchase any Collateral Obligation (other than the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation or a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation pursuant to Section 12.1(a) or (c), as applicable) following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to Section 14 of the Servicing Agreement until a successor Servicer is appointed pursuant to Section 12(e) of the Servicing Agreement.

#### **Section 12.4 Certain Determinations Relating to Collateral Obligations.**

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Indenture, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have purchased any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to purchase, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to receive such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have acquired, granted or delivered, as the case may be, such Collateral Obligations on such date.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Indenture, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to sell, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to sell, and requiring the purchaser to purchase, such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold such Collateral Obligations on such date.

(c) Under the circumstances described in subsections (a) and (b) above, if the transaction contemplated by the contract, commitment letter, confirmation or due bill referred to therein does not settle on or before the 60th day following the scheduled settlement date (the "**Deadline**"), the deemed purchase or sale shall be deemed not to have occurred; *provided, however*, that the Servicer shall have the right to extend the Deadline for an additional period (not to exceed an additional 60 days) by notice to the Trustee, which notice shall include the Servicer's certification to the effect that the Servicer believes that the settlement shall occur on or before the extended Deadline.

(d) Scheduled distributions with respect to any Pledged Collateral Obligation shall be determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture.

#### **Section 12.5 Certain Conditions Relating to Synthetic Securities.**

Each Synthetic Security that is a credit default swap the Reference Obligations of which are Loans shall require each such Reference Obligation to be denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars.



The maturity, interest rate, and other non-credit characteristics of a Synthetic Security may be different from the Reference Obligations to which the credit risk of the Synthetic Security relates.

No Synthetic Security shall require the Issuer to make any payment to the Synthetic Security Counterparty after its initial purchase other than any payments represented by the release of any cash collateral posted by the Issuer from the Collection Account to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of the posted cash collateral. Collateral may be posted only to a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account. No Synthetic Security shall result in the Issuer being a "buyer" of credit protection.

The term Synthetic Security shall not include any Structured Finance Obligation or any Participation, but the Reference Obligation of a Synthetic Security may be a Structured Finance Obligation.

Each Synthetic Security Agreement shall contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those contained in this Indenture.

The ownership or disposition of any Synthetic Security (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) must not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

Unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" under any proposed Synthetic Security must not provide that its transfer to the Issuer is subject to obtaining any consents and must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation and satisfy the Concentration Limitations under this Indenture, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event" and if the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security is a Senior Secured Loan then the "deliverable obligation" under the Synthetic Security must also be a Senior Secured Loan.

No Synthetic Security may provide for any event other than bankruptcy or a failure to pay as a "credit event."

No Synthetic Security may provide for termination by the Synthetic Security Counterparty at any time (i) after a declaration of acceleration of Maturity of the Notes has been made upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, unless such declaration and its consequences may no longer be rescinded and annulled in accordance with Section 5.2(c) and liquidation of the Collateral has begun or (ii) upon an Optional Redemption, unless the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date has passed and no notice of withdrawal has been issued.

For purposes of the Coverage Tests and the Interest Diversion Test, unless the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied in respect of any proposed alternative treatment, a

Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligation.

With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, for purposes of: (i) calculating compliance with the Diversity Test, the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test, and the Concentration Limitations (other than limits relating to payment characteristics and except for clause 15, and the exception thereto, of the definition of “Concentration Limitations”), and all related definitions, and (ii) any other provision or definition of this Indenture involving a determination with respect to a Reference Obligation, the characteristics of such Reference Obligations shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each such Reference Obligation in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation. In addition, each Reference Obligation under such Synthetic Security shall be assigned a Moody’s Rating Factor equal to the sum of the Moody’s Rating Factor of (i) the related Reference Obligor, (ii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty of such Synthetic Security and (iii) the Synthetic Security Collateral of such Synthetic Security. In addition, the Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate in respect of a Synthetic Security referencing multiple Reference Obligations pursuant to this paragraph shall be the Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate as assigned by Moody’s to each Reference Obligation underlying such Synthetic Security. For the avoidance of doubt, Reference Obligations upon which a Synthetic Security is based as described in this paragraph must meet the definition of “Collateral Obligation” to the extent provided in this definition.

If the Rating Condition must be satisfied to execute the purchase of any Synthetic Security, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall give each applicable Rating Agency not less than five days’ prior notice of the purchase of or entry into any Synthetic Security.

**ARTICLE 13****NOTEHOLDERS' RELATIONS****Section 13.1 Subordination.**

(a) With respect to each Class of Notes and the Preference Shares, the Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares that are Priority Classes and Junior Classes are as follows:

Class	Junior Classes	Priority Classes
A	B, C, D, E, Preference Shares*	None
B	C, D, E, Preference Shares*	A
C	D, E, Preference Shares*	A, B
D	E, Preference Shares*	A, B, C
E	Preference Shares*	A, B, C, D
Preference Shares	None**	A, B, C, D, E

\* Other than with respect to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, which may be payable to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as set forth herein and will have priority to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments. If the Class E Coverage Tests are not satisfied on any Determination Date, Interest Proceeds will first be used to pay principal of the Class E Notes and second to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary to meet all Class E Coverage Tests on such Determination Date as set forth in Section 11.1(c)(i)(11). If the Interest Diversion Test is not satisfied on any Determination Date, Interest Proceeds will be used to satisfy the Interest Diversion Test and such amount will be paid first, to principal of the Class E Notes, second, to principal of the Class D Notes, third, to principal of the Class C Notes, fourth, to principal of the Class B Notes and fifth, to principal of the Class A Notes, in that order, in each case, to the extent required to satisfy the Interest Diversion Test as set forth in Section 11.1(c)(i)(14).

\*\* The Preference Shares will be entitled to certain residual cash flow after payment of senior obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

(b) Anything in this Indenture or the Notes to the contrary notwithstanding, the Holders of each Class of Notes that is a Junior Class agree for the benefit of the Holders of Notes of each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class that the Junior Class shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes of each Priority Class to the extent and in the manner provided in this Indenture. If any Event of Default has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs and is continuing in accordance with Article 5, each Priority Class of Notes shall be paid in full in Cash or, to the extent a Majority of each Class of Notes (voting separately) consents, other than in Cash, before any further payment or distribution is made on account of any Junior Class of Notes with respect to the Priority Class, as and to the extent provided in Section 11.1(d). The Holders of each Junior Class of Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of Notes of each Priority Class in respect of the Junior Class, not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for failure to pay to them amounts due to the Junior Class, of the Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or under this Indenture until the payment in full of the Priority Classes or all the Classes, as the case may be, and not before one year and a day, or if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, has elapsed since the payment.

(c) If, notwithstanding the provisions of this Indenture, any Holder of Notes of any Junior Class has received any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes contrary to the provisions of this Indenture, then, until each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class of Notes has been paid in full in Cash or, to the extent a Majority of each Class of Notes (voting separately) consents, other than in Cash, in accordance with this Indenture, the payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, which shall pay and deliver the same to the Holders of the applicable Priority Classes of Notes in accordance with this Indenture. If any such payment or distribution is made other than in Cash, it shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and subject in all respects to this Indenture, including this Section 13.1.

(d) Each Holder of Notes of any Junior Class agrees with all Holders of the applicable Priority Classes that the Holder of Junior Class Notes shall not demand, accept, or receive any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes in violation of this Indenture including this Section 13.1. After a Priority Class has been paid in full, the Holders of Notes of the related Junior Class or Classes shall be fully subrogated to the rights of the Holders of the Priority Class. Nothing in this Section 13.1 shall affect the obligation of the Issuer to pay Holders of any Junior Class of Notes.

(e) Distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) are subordinate to distributions on the Notes as described in the Priority of Payments.

(f) The Servicing Fees shall have priority only to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

### **Section 13.2 Standard of Conduct.**

In exercising any of its or their voting rights, rights to direct and consent, or any other rights as a Noteholder under this Indenture, a Noteholder shall not have any obligation or duty to any Person or to consider or take into account the interests of any Person and shall not be liable to any Person for any action taken by it or them or at its or their direction or any failure by it or them to act or to direct that an action be taken, without regard to whether the action or inaction benefits or adversely affects any Noteholder, the Issuer or any other Person, except for any liability to which the Noteholder may be subject to the extent the same results from the Noteholder's taking or directing an action, or failing to take or direct an action, in bad faith or in violation of the express terms of this Indenture.

## **ARTICLE 14**

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

#### **Section 14.1 Form of Documents Delivered to Trustee.**

In any case where several matters are required to be certified by, or covered by an opinion of, any specified Person, it is not necessary that all the matters be certified by, or covered by the opinion of, only one Person, or that they be so certified or covered by only one document, but one such Person may certify or give an opinion with respect to some matters and one or more

other such Persons as to other matters, and any such Person may certify or give an opinion as to the matters in one or several documents.

Any certificate or opinion of an Officer of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Servicer may be based, insofar as it relates to legal matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, counsel, unless the Officer knows, or should know that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to the matters upon which his certificate or opinion is based are erroneous. Any such certificate of an Officer of the Issuer, Co-Issuer or the Servicer or Opinion of Counsel may be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or any other Person, stating that the information with respect to the factual matters is in the possession of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or the other Person, unless the Officer of the Issuer, Co-Issuer or the Servicer or the counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to factual matters are erroneous. Any Opinion of Counsel may also be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, an Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, stating that the information with respect to factual matters is in the possession of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, unless the counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to factual matters are erroneous.

Where any Person is required to make, give, or execute two or more applications, requests, consents, certificates, statements, opinions or other instruments under this Indenture, they may, but need not, be consolidated and form one instrument.

Whenever this Indenture provides that the absence of the continuation of a Default or Event of Default is a condition precedent to the taking of any action by the Trustee at the request or direction of either Co-Issuer, then notwithstanding that the satisfaction of the condition is a condition precedent to the Co-Issuer's right to make the request or direction, the Trustee shall be protected in acting in accordance with the request or direction if it does not have knowledge of the continuation of the Default or Event of Default as provided in Section 6.1(d).

## **Section 14.2 Acts of Holders of Securities.**

(a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or taken by Holders of Securities may be embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments (which may be an electronic document, including, but not limited, to in the form of e-mail, to the extent permitted by applicable law) of substantially similar tenor signed by Holders of Securities in Person or by agents duly appointed in writing (*provided* that no signature shall be required on electronic documents, including, but not limited to, in the form of e-mail to the extent permitted by law). Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, the action shall become effective when the instruments are delivered to the Trustee (which instrument or instruments may be delivered through the Preference Shares Paying Agent, in the case of the Holders of the Preference Shares) and, if expressly required, to the Issuer. The instruments (and the action embodied in them) are referred to as the “*Act*” of the Holders of Securities signing the instruments. Proof of execution of any instrument or of a writing appointing an agent for a Holder of a Security shall be sufficient for any purpose of this Indenture and conclusive in favor of the Trustee and the Issuer, if made in the manner provided in this Section.

(b) The fact and date of the execution by any Person of any instrument may be proved by an affidavit of a witness to the execution or the certificate of any notary public or other Person authorized by law to acknowledge the execution of deeds. Any certificate on behalf of a jural entity executed by a Person purporting to have authority to act on behalf of the jural entity shall itself be sufficient proof of the authority of the Person executing it to act. The fact and date of the execution by any Person of any instrument may also be proved in any other manner that the Trustee deems sufficient.

(c) The Indenture Register shall prove the ownership of the Notes and the principal amount and registered numbers of Notes, and the number of Preference Shares held by and the number(s) of the Preference Share certificate(s) issued to any Person shall be proved by the share register of the Issuer.

(d) Any Act by the Holder of a Security shall bind every Holder of the same Security and every Security issued on its transfer or in exchange for it or in lieu of it, in respect of anything done, omitted or suffered to be done by the Trustee or the Issuer in reliance on the Act, whether or not notation of the action is made on the Securities.

#### **Section 14.3 Notices, etc., to Certain Persons or Parties.**

(a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, order, notice, consent, waiver, or Act of Holders of Securities or other documents provided or permitted by this Indenture to be made, given, or furnished to, or filed with:

(i) the Trustee or Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and made, given, furnished, or filed to and mailed, by certified mail, return receipt requested, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service guaranteeing next day delivery, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Trustee or Preference Shares Paying Agent addressed to it at, 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code: EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116, telecopy no. (617) 937-0517, Attention: CDO Services Group, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto by the Trustee (any request, direction, order, notice or other communication from the Servicer to the Trustee under Article 12 (other than required certifications) may be by electronic mail, which shall be deemed to be in writing);

(ii) the Issuer shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Issuer addressed to it at c/o Walkers SPV Limited, Walker House, 87 Mary Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, KY1-9002, Cayman Islands, telecopy no. (345) 945-4757, Attention: the Directors—Aberdeen Loan Funding, Ltd., or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto by the Issuer, with a copy to the Servicer at its address below;

(iii) the Co-Issuer at c/o Puglisi & Associates, 850 Library Avenue, Suite 204, Newark, Delaware 19711, Attention: Director, or at any other address previously furnished in writing by the Co-Issuer;

(iv) the Servicer shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Servicer addressed to it at Two Galleria Tower, 13455 Noel Road, Suite 800, Dallas, Texas 75240, telecopy no. (972) 628-4147, Attention: Todd Travers, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto;

(v) the Initial Purchaser shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Initial Purchaser addressed to them at c/o Merrill Lynch Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, 4 World Financial Center, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10080, telecopy no. (212) 449-3210, Attention: Glen Ostrander, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, and the Trustee by an Officer of the Initial Purchaser;

(vi) any Hedge Counterparty shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered or sent by overnight courier service or by telecopy in legible form to the Hedge Counterparty addressed to it at the address specified in the relevant Hedge Agreement or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Issuer or the Trustee by the Hedge Counterparty;

(vii) the Rating Agencies shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to each Rating Agency addressed to it at Moody's Investors Service, Inc., 7 World Trade Center at 250 Greenwich Street, New York, New York 10007, Telecopy No. (212) 553-4170, [cdomonitoring@moodys.com](mailto:cdomonitoring@moodys.com), Attention: CBO/CLO Monitoring and Standard & Poor's, 55 Water Street, 41st Floor, New York, New York 10041-0003, telecopy no. (212) 438-2664, Attention: Asset Backed-CBO/CLO Surveillance and each Monthly Report shall also be sent to S&P electronically to [CDO\\_Surveillance@standardandpoors.com](mailto:CDO_Surveillance@standardandpoors.com);

(viii) the Administrator shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by facsimile in legible form, addressed to Walkers SPV Limited, Walker House, 87 Mary Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, KY1-9002, Cayman Islands, telecopy no. (345) 945-4757, Attention: the Directors—Aberdeen Loan Funding, Ltd.;

(ix) to the Listing Agent at Dillon Eustace, 33 Sir John Rogerson's Quay, Dublin 2, Ireland, telephone no. +353-1-667-0022, telecopy no. +353-1-667-0042, Attention: Mark Fitzgerald, or at any other address previously furnished in writing by the Listing Agent or e-mailed to [info@dilloneustace.ie](mailto:info@dilloneustace.ie); and

(x) to the Irish Paying Agent at Custom House Administration & Corporate Services Ltd., 25 Eden Quay, Dublin 1, Ireland, telephone no. +353 1 878 0807, telecopy

no. +353 1 878 0827, Attention: Evelyn Meenaghan, or at any other address previously furnished in writing by the Irish Paying Agent.

(b) If any provision in this Indenture calls for any notice or document to be delivered simultaneously to the Trustee and any other Person, the Trustee's receipt of the notice or document shall entitle the Trustee to assume that the notice or document was delivered to the other Person unless otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture.

(c) Any Holder or beneficial owner of any Class A Notes may elect to acquire bond insurance, a surety bond, a credit default swap or similar credit enhancement supporting the payment of principal and/or interest on such Class A Notes on terms and conditions acceptable to such Holder or beneficial owner and at the sole expense of such Holder or beneficial owner. On or after any such acquisition, such Holder or beneficial owner may deliver notice (and if from a beneficial owner, any such notice shall include certification that such owner is a beneficial owner of the Class A Notes) to the Trustee in substantially the form of Exhibit K specifying the name and contact information of the insurer, surety, credit protection seller or enhancer of such Class A Notes (each, an "**Insurer**"). After receipt of any such notice (in the form of Exhibit K) by the Trustee, the Trustee shall copy the related Insurer on all notices, reports or other documents delivered to the Noteholders.

**Section 14.4 Notices to Noteholders and the Preference Shares Paying Agent; Waiver.**

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, where this Indenture provides for notice to the Noteholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) of any event,

(a) the notice shall be sufficiently given to the Noteholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, each Noteholder affected by the event or the Preference Shares Paying Agent, at the address of the Holder as it appears in the Indenture Register or at the address of the Preference Shares Paying Agent supplied by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Trustee, as applicable, not earlier than the earliest date and not later than the latest date, prescribed for the giving of the notice; and

(b) the notice shall be in the English language.

Notices shall be deemed to have been given on the date of their mailing.

Notwithstanding clause (a), a Noteholder or the Preference Shares Paying Agent may give the Trustee a written notice that it is requesting that notices to it be given by facsimile transmissions and stating the telecopy number for the transmission. Thereafter, the Trustee shall give notices to the Holder or the Preference Shares Paying Agent by facsimile transmission. If the notice also requests that notices be given by mail, then the notice shall also be given by mail in accordance with clause (a) above, as the case may be.

The Trustee shall deliver to the Noteholders any information or notice relating to this Indenture requested to be so delivered by at least 10% (by Aggregate Outstanding Amount) of the Holders of any Class of Notes at the expense of the Issuer. The Trustee shall deliver to the



Preference Shares Paying Agent any information or notice that the Preference Shares Paying Agent certifies was requested to be so delivered by at least 10% (by Aggregate Outstanding Amount) of the Holders of the Preference Shares at the expense of the Issuer.

Neither the failure to mail any notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Noteholder or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall affect the sufficiency of the notice with respect to other Noteholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent. If it is impracticable to give the notice by mail of any event to Noteholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent when the notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this Indenture because of the suspension of regular mail service as a result of a strike, work stoppage or similar activity or because of any other cause, then the notification to Noteholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent as shall be made with the approval of the Trustee shall be a sufficient notification to the Holders for every purpose under this Indenture.

Where this Indenture provides for notice in any manner, the notice may be waived in writing by any Person entitled to receive the notice, either before or after the event, and the waiver shall be the equivalent of the notice. Waivers of notice by Noteholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be filed with the Trustee but the filing shall not be a condition precedent to the validity of any action taken in reliance on the waiver.

So long as any Senior Notes are listed on the ISE and the guidelines of the exchange so require, all notices to Noteholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Preference Shares) shall also be given to the Irish Paying Agent for publication in the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

The Issuer shall (and authorizes the Trustee to) deliver to the Initial Purchaser all periodic reports, notices, demands, and other written information delivered or received by the Issuer, the Servicer, trustees, paying agents, accountants, or other Persons pursuant to this Indenture and other operative documentation relating to the Notes requested by the Initial Purchaser (collectively, the “***Transaction Reports***”) and the Issuer consents to the Initial Purchaser providing Transaction Reports received by it to current and prospective investors in the Notes (including by means of electronic transmissions or posting the Transaction Reports on internet sites maintained by the Initial Purchaser or any of its Affiliates).

#### **Section 14.5 Effect of Headings and Table of Contents.**

The Article and Section headings in this Indenture and the Table of Contents are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction of this Indenture.

#### **Section 14.6 Successors and Assigns.**

All covenants and agreements in this Indenture by the Co-Issuers shall bind their respective successors and assigns, whether so expressed or not.

**Section 14.7 Separability.**

Except to the extent prohibited by applicable law, in case any provision in this Indenture, in the Notes shall be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the validity, legality, and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

**Section 14.8 Benefits of Indenture.**

Nothing in this Indenture or in the Notes, expressed or implied, shall give to any Person, other than the parties hereto and their successors under this Indenture, the Servicer, the Noteholders, the Holders of Preference Shares or the Preference Shares Paying Agent any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under this Indenture.

**Section 14.9 Governing Law.**

THIS INDENTURE AND EACH NOTE SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS PROVISIONS THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION.

**Section 14.10 Submission to Jurisdiction.**

The Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or federal court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Securities or this Indenture, and the Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably agree that all claims in respect of the action or proceeding may be heard and determined in the New York State or federal court. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably waive, to the fullest extent that they may legally do so, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of the action or proceeding. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee irrevocably consent to the service of all process in any action or proceeding by the mailing or delivery of copies of the process to the Co-Issuers at the office of State Street Bank and Trust Company (to the attention of State Street Bank and Trust Company, Trustee for Aberdeen Loan Funding, Ltd.) set out in Section 7.2. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee agree that a final judgment in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

**Section 14.11 Counterparts.**

This Indenture may be executed in any number of copies, and by the different parties on the same or separate counterparts, each of which shall be considered to be an original instrument.

**Section 14.12 Acts of Issuer.**

Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or performed by the Issuer shall be effective if given or performed by the Issuer or by the Servicer on the Issuer's behalf.

**Section 14.13 Liability of Co-Issuers.**

Notwithstanding any other terms of this Indenture, the Notes or any other agreement entered into by either of the Co-Issuers or otherwise, neither of the Co-Issuers shall have any liability whatsoever to the other of the Co-Issuers under this Indenture, the Notes, any other agreement, or otherwise. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, neither of the Co-Issuers may take any action to enforce, or bring any action or proceeding, in respect of this Indenture, the Notes, any other agreement, or otherwise against the other of the Co-Issuers. In particular, neither of the Co-Issuers may petition or take any other steps for the winding up or bankruptcy of the other of the Co-Issuers and neither of the Co-Issuers shall have any claim with respect to any assets of the other of the Co-Issuers.

**Section 14.14 Indemnity of Co-Issuer.**

The Issuer agrees to indemnify the Co-Issuer for any payments that may become due from the Co-Issuer under Article 11 with respect to any Notes issued under this Indenture and any administrative, legal, or other costs incurred by the Co-Issuer in connection with those payments.

**ARTICLE 15**

**ASSIGNMENT OF SERVICING AGREEMENT; HEDGE AGREEMENTS**

**Section 15.1 Assignment of Servicing Agreement; Amendment of Servicing Agreement.**

(a) The Issuer, in furtherance of the covenants of this Indenture and as security for the Notes and amounts payable to the Secured Parties under this Indenture and the performance and observance of the provisions of this Indenture, acknowledges that its Grant pursuant to the first Granting Clause includes all of the Issuer's interest in the Servicing Agreement, including:

- (i) the right to give all notices, consents and releases under it,
- (ii) the right to give all notices of termination pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and to take any legal action upon the breach of an obligation of the Servicer under it, including the commencement, conduct and consummation of proceedings at law or in equity,
- (iii) the right to receive all notices, accountings, consents, releases and statements under it, and
- (iv) the right to do all other things whatsoever that the Issuer is or may be entitled to do under it.

Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, the Trustee may not exercise any of the rights in (i) through (iv) above or that may otherwise arise as a result of the Grant until the occurrence of an Event of Default under this Indenture and the authority shall terminate when the Event of Default is cured or waived.

(b) The assignment made hereby is executed as security, and the execution and delivery hereby shall not in any way impair or diminish the obligations of the Issuer under the Servicing Agreement, nor shall any of the obligations contained in the Servicing Agreement be imposed on the Trustee.

(c) Upon the retirement of the Notes and the release of the Collateral from the lien of this Indenture, this assignment, and all rights in this Indenture assigned to the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders shall cease and terminate and all the interest of the Trustee in the Servicing Agreement shall revert to the Issuer and no further instrument or act shall be necessary to evidence the termination and reversion.

(d) The Issuer represents that the Issuer has not executed any other assignment of the Servicing Agreement.

(e) The Issuer agrees that this assignment is irrevocable, and that it shall not take any action that is inconsistent with this assignment or make any other assignment inconsistent herewith. The Issuer shall, from time to time upon the request of the Trustee, execute all instruments of further assurance and all such supplemental instruments with respect to this assignment as the Trustee may reasonably request.

(f) The Issuer agrees to obtain the agreement and consent of the Servicer in the Servicing Agreement to the following:

(i) the Servicer consents to this collateral assignment and agrees to perform any provisions of this Indenture made expressly applicable to the Servicer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement.

(ii) the Servicer acknowledges that the Issuer is collaterally assigning all of its interest in the Servicing Agreement to the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties and the Servicer agrees that all of the representations, covenants and agreements made by the Servicer in the Servicing Agreement are also for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

(iii) the Servicer shall deliver to the Trustee duplicate original copies of all notices, statements, communications and instruments delivered or required to be delivered to the Issuer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement (other than any of them delivered to the Issuer by the Trustee or the Collateral Administrator).

(iv) the procedure for amending the Servicing Agreement as set forth in Section 15.1(h) below.

(v) except as otherwise provided in this Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, subject to the resignation rights of the Servicer pursuant to Section 12 of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer shall continue to serve as Servicer under the Servicing Agreement notwithstanding that the Servicer shall not have received amounts due it under the Servicing Agreement because sufficient funds were not then available under this Indenture to pay the amounts owed to the Servicer pursuant to the Priority of Payments. The Servicer agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for the nonpayment of the fees or other amounts payable by

the Administrative Agent to the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement until the payment in full of all Notes issued under this Indenture and the payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent of all amounts payable with respect to the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the expiration of a period equal to the greater of (A) the applicable preference period plus one day or (B) one year and one day following the payment. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Servicer may commence any legal action that is not a bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation or similar proceeding against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any of their properties and may take any action it deems appropriate at any time in any bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation or similar proceeding and any other Proceeding voluntarily commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or involuntarily commenced against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by anyone other than the Servicer or any Affiliate of the Servicer.

(vi) the Servicer irrevocably submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or federal court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Notes, the Preference Shares or this Indenture, and the Servicer irrevocably agrees that all claims in respect of the action or proceeding may be heard and determined in the New York State or federal court. The Servicer irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent it may legally do so, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of the action or proceeding. The Servicer irrevocably consents to the service of all process in any action or proceeding by the mailing or delivery of copies of the process to it the address provided for in Section 14.3. The Servicer agrees that a final and non-appealable judgment by a court of competent jurisdiction in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

(g) Following the resignation or removal of the Servicer, the Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to appoint a successor Servicer, and the Issuer, the Trustee, and the resigning or removed Servicer shall take any action consistent with the Servicing Agreement and this Indenture applicable to the Servicer, necessary to effectuate any such succession.

(h) (i) The Issuer may, at the request of the Servicer, enter into an amendment or modification of the Servicing Agreement from time to time, without the consent of the Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not the interests of the Holders of the Securities are adversely affected thereby; *provided* that, with respect to any such amendment or modification, (a) a Rating Condition is satisfied and (b) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares have not objected in writing to such amendment or modification prior to the relevant Objection Cut-Off Date (as defined below).

(ii) If at any time the Servicer desires to amend or modify the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer shall notify the Issuer and the Trustee, providing details of such proposed amendment or modification. Not later than five Business Days after receipt of such notice, the Trustee shall mail such notice to (a) each Noteholder at such Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as applicable, (b) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and

(c) to each Rating Agency. If any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes or any Holder of the Preference Shares notifies, by delivering a written notice to the Trustee within 35 days after the Trustee has mailed such notice, that it objects to such proposed amendment or modification, the Trustee shall, within two Business Days after receiving such notice of objection, mail a notice of the receipt of such objection to the Issuer, the Servicer and other Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and other Holders of the Preference Shares. Each Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes and each Holder of the Preference Shares that also wishes to object to such amendment or modification must, by delivering a written notice, so notify the Trustee within seven Business Days after the Trustee has mailed such notice of the receipt of such objection (the last day of such seven Business Day period, the “**Objection Cut-Off Date**”). If a Majority of either the Controlling Class of Notes or the Preference Shares notifies the Trustee in writing on or before the Objection Cut-Off Date that they object to the proposed amendment or modification to the Servicing Agreement, such amendment or modification shall not be made.

## **Section 15.2 Hedge Agreements.**

(a) At any time and from time to time on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, may enter into the Hedge Agreements and shall assign its rights (but none of its obligations) under the Hedge Agreements to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture. The Trustee shall, on behalf of the Issuer and in accordance with the Valuation Report, pay amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements on any Payment Date in accordance with Section 11.1.

(b) The Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless at the time of entering into such Hedge Agreement the Hedge Counterparty has the ratings specified in such Hedge Agreement.

(c) If at any time a Hedge Counterparty does not have the required ratings as set forth in the Hedge Agreement, the Hedge Counterparty shall be required to take such actions as are set forth in the relevant Hedge Agreement.

(d) Whenever the Issuer enters into a Hedge Agreement, the Hedge Counterparty thereto shall comply with the then currently applicable rating criteria of each Rating Agency from time to time.

(e) If the Issuer has the right under a Hedge Agreement at any time to demand that the related Hedge Counterparty deliver Eligible Collateral in accordance with an Approved Credit Support Document, the Issuer, or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, shall make the demand.

(f) Any payments required to be made under the Hedge Agreements shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments shall be subordinate to interest and principal payments on the Notes and any other payments required to be made by the Issuer under the Hedge Agreements, but senior to distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares.

(g) Except as provided in paragraph (i) of this Section 15.2, following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall, promptly (but no later than 60 days after the early termination), and to the extent possible through application of Hedge Termination Receipts, enter into a Replacement Hedge, unless, in the exercise of the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment, to do so would not be in the best interest of the Issuer and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the non-entry into the a Replacement Hedge. In addition, a Replacement Hedge may not be entered into unless the Issuer provides the Rating Agencies with at least seven Business Days' prior written notice of its intention to enter into the agreement, together with its form and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the Replacement Hedge. The Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than a termination resulting from the bankruptcy, insolvency or similar event with respect to the Hedge Counterparty) to become effective simultaneously with its entering into a Replacement Hedge. To the extent that (i) the Servicer determines not to replace the Hedge Agreement and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the determination or (ii) termination is occurring on a Redemption Date, the Hedge Termination Receipts shall become part of Principal Proceeds and be distributed in accordance with Section 11.1 on the next following Payment Date (or on the Redemption Date, if the Notes are redeemed on the Redemption Date).

(h) Notwithstanding Section 15.2(i), the applicable requirements of Section 15.2(i) shall not have to be met if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is otherwise satisfied with respect thereto.

(i) The notional amounts of the Hedge Agreements outstanding at any time may be reduced or increased from time to time by the Issuer, and the Hedge Agreements may be amended, modified or terminated in accordance with the Hedge Agreements if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the reduction, increase, amendment, modification or termination, as the case may be.

(j) Each Hedge Agreement may be terminated pursuant to its terms by the Hedge Counterparty upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes (but only after the applicable notice of redemption may no longer be withdrawn pursuant to Section 9.3), an acceleration of maturity of the Notes after an Event of Default or the entry into certain amendments to this Indenture without the consent of the Hedge Counterparty. The Hedge Agreement will not be permitted to be terminated by the Issuer as the result of a Default or Event of Default unless any acceleration of maturity of the Notes resulting from the Event of Default is no longer permitted to be rescinded pursuant to this Indenture.

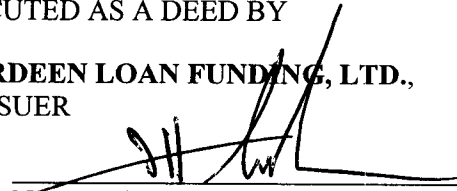
(k) Except for Hedge Agreements entered into on or before the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have set our hands as of the day and year first written above.

EXECUTED AS A DEED BY

**ABERDEEN LOAN FUNDING, LTD.,**  
AS ISSUER

By:

  
Name: John Cullinane

Title: Director

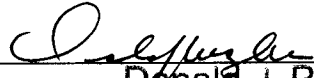
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Name: Jolene Nelson

Title: Administrator

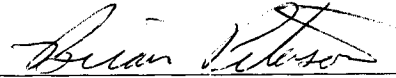


**ABERDEEN LOAN FUNDING CORP.,  
AS CO-ISSUER**

By:   
Name: **Donald J. Puglisi**  
Title: **President**

**STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST  
COMPANY,  
AS TRUSTEE**

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

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Name:

Title:

**Brian Peterson  
Vice President**

Schedule 1

**List of Collateral Obligations**

Schedule 2

**Moody's Industry Classification Group List**

**Aerospace and Defense:** Major Contractor, Subsystems, Research, Aircraft Manufacturing, Arms, Ammunition

**Automobile:** Automotive Equipment, Auto-Manufacturing, Auto Parts Manufacturing, Personal Use Trailers, Motor Homes, Dealers

**Banking:** Bank Holding, Savings and Loans, Consumer Credit, Small Loan, Agency, Factoring, Receivables

**Beverage, Food and Tobacco:** Beer and Ale, Distillers, Wines and Liquors, Distributors, Soft Drink Syrup, Bottling, Bakery, Mill Sugar, Canned Foods, Corn Refiners, Dairy Products, Meat Products, Poultry Products, Snacks, Packaged Foods, Distributors, Candy, Gum, Seafood, Frozen Food, Cigarettes, Cigars, Leaf/Snuff, Vegetable Oil

**Buildings and Real Estate:** Brick, Cement, Climate Controls, Contracting, Engineering, Construction, Hardware, Forest Products (building-related only), Plumbing, Roofing, Wallboard, Real Estate, Real Estate Development, REITs, Land Development

**Chemicals, Plastics and Rubber:** Chemicals (non-agriculture), Industrial Gases, Sulfur, Plastics, Plastic Products, Abrasives, Coatings, Paints, Varnish, Fabricating

**Containers, Packaging and Glass:** Glass, Fiberglass, Containers made of: Glass, Metal, Paper, Plastic, Wood or Fiberglass

**Personal and Non Durable Consumer Products (Manufacturing Only):** Soaps, Perfumes, Cosmetics, Toiletries, Cleaning Supplies, School Supplies

**Diversified/Conglomerate Manufacturing**

**Diversified/Conglomerate Service**

**Diversified Natural Resources, Precious Metals and Minerals:** Fabricating, Distribution, Mining and Sales

**Ecological:** Pollution Control, Waste Removal, Waste Treatment, Waste Disposal

**Electronics:** Computer Hardware, Electric Equipment, Components, Controllers, Motors, Household Appliances, Information Service, Communication Systems, Radios, TVs, Tape Machines, Speakers, Printers, Drivers, Technology

**Finance:** Investment Brokerage, Leasing, Syndication, Securities

**Farming and Agriculture:** Livestock, Grains, Produce, Agricultural Chemicals, Agricultural Equipment, Fertilizers

**Grocery:** Grocery Stores, Convenience Food Stores

**Healthcare, Education and Childcare:** Ethical Drugs, Proprietary Drugs, Research, Health Care Centers, Nursing Homes, HMOs, Hospitals, Hospital Supplies, Medical Equipment

**Home and Office Furnishings, Housedress, and Durable Consumer Products:** Carpets, Floor Coverings, Furniture, Cooking, Ranges

**Hotels, Motels, Inns and Gaming**

**Insurance:** Life, Property and Casualty, Broker, Agent, Surety

**Leisure, Amusement, Entertainment:** Boating, Bowling, Billiards, Musical Instruments, Fishing, Photo Equipment, Records, Tapes, Sports, Outdoor Equipment (camping), Tourism, Resorts, Games, Toy Manufacturing, Motion Picture Production, Theatres, Motion Picture Distribution

**Machinery (Non-Agriculture, Non-Construction, Non-Electronic):** Industrial, Machine Tools, Steam Generators

**Mining, Steel, Iron and Non-Precious Metals:** Coal, Copper, Lead, Uranium, Zinc, Aluminum, Stainless Steel, Integrated Steel, Ore Production, Refractories, Steel Mill Machinery, Mini-Mills, Fabricating, Distribution and Sales

**Oil and Gas:** Crude Producer, Retailer, Well Supply, Service and Drilling

**Personal, Food and Miscellaneous**

**Printing and Publishing:** Graphic Arts, Paper, Paper Products, Business Forms, Magazines, Books, Periodicals, Newspapers, Textbooks

**Cargo Transport:** Rail, Shipping, Railroads, Rail-car Builders, Ship Builders, Containers, Container Builders, Parts, Overnight Mail, Trucking, Truck Manufacturing, Trailer Manufacturing, Air Cargo, Transport

**Retail Stores:** Apparel, Toy, Variety, Drugs, Department, Mail Order Catalogue, Showroom

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**Telecommunications:** Local, Long Distance, Independent, Telephone, Telegraph, Satellite, Equipment, Research, Cellular

**Textiles and Leather:** Producer, Synthetic Fiber, Apparel Manufacturer, Leather Shoes  
Personal Transportation: Air, Bus, Rail, Car, Rental

**Utilities:** Electric, Water, Hydro Power, Gas, Diversified

**Broadcasting and Entertainment:** Recording Industry, Motion Exhibition Theatres, Motion Picture Production and Distribution, Radio, TV, Cable Broadcasting, Broadcasting Equipment

Schedule 3

**S&P Industry Classifications**

Corporate Obligations

0. Zero Default Risk
1. Aerospace & Defense
2. Air transport
3. Automotive
4. Beverage & Tobacco
5. Radio & Television
6. Brokerages, Dealers & Investment houses
7. Building & Development
8. Business equipment & services
9. Cable & satellite television
10. Chemical & plastics
11. Clothing/textiles
12. Conglomerates
13. Containers & glass products
14. Cosmetics/toiletries
15. Drugs
16. Ecological services & equipment
17. Electronics/electrical
18. Equipment leasing
19. Farming/agriculture
20. Financial Intermediaries
21. Food/drug retailers
22. Food products
23. Food service
24. Forest products
25. Health care
26. Home furnishings
27. Lodging & casinos
28. Industrial equipment
29. Insurance
30. Leisure goods/activities/movies
31. Nonferrous metals/minerals
32. Oil & gas
33. Publishing
34. Rail Industries
35. Retailers (except food & drug)
36. Steel
37. Surface transport
38. Telecommunications
39. Utilities

### Corporate Structured Obligations

- 50. CDOs
- 50a. CDOs of ABS, including RMBS, not included in 50y
- 50y. CDOs back by affected Collateral, or CDOs backed by CDOs backed by affected Collateral.

### Structured Obligations

- 51. ABS Consumer
  - 52. ABS Commercial
  - 53. CMBS Diversified (Conduit and CTL)
  - 54. CMBS (Large Loan, Single Borrower, and Single Property)
  - 55. REITs and REOCs
  - 56. Prime and Alt-A RMBS
  - 57. Subprime, home equity loan, tax-lien RMBS.
  - 58. Manufactured Housing
  - 59. U.S. Agency (Explicitly Guaranteed)
  - 60. Monoline/FER Guaranteed
  - 61. Non-FER Company Guaranteed
  - 62. FFELP Student Loans (Over 70% FFELP)
  - 63. CLO of SME's
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- 70. Prime RMBS issued in the U.S. during or after the fourth quarter of 2005.
  - 71. Alt-A RMBS issued in the U.S. during or after the fourth quarter of 2005.
  - 72. Subprime, home equity loan, tax-lien RMBS issued in the U.S. during or after the fourth quarter of 2005.

Schedule 4**Diversity Score Calculation**

The Diversity Score for the Collateral Obligations is calculated by summing each of the Industry Diversity Scores, which are calculated as follows:

(i) An “**Obligor Par Amount**” is calculated for each obligor represented in the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) by summing the par amounts of all Collateral Obligations in the Collateral (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) issued by that obligor or any Affiliate of that obligor (other than obligors that the Servicer reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(ii) An “**Average Par Amount**” is calculated by summing the Obligor Par Amounts and *dividing by* the number of obligors represented. For purposes of calculating the number of issuers of the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations), any issuers Affiliated with one another shall be considered one issuer (other than obligors that the Servicer reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(iii) An “**Equivalent Unit Score**” is calculated for each obligor represented in the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) by taking the lesser of (A) one and (B) the Obligor Par Amount for the obligor divided by the Average Par Amount. For purposes of calculating the Equivalent Unit Score, any issuers Affiliated with one another shall be considered one issuer (other than obligors that the Servicer reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(iv) An “**Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score**” is then calculated for each of the Moody’s industrial classification groups by summing the Equivalent Unit Scores for each obligor in the industry.

(v) An “**Industry Diversity Score**” is then established by reference to the Diversity Score Table shown below for the related Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score. If any Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score falls between any two the scores then the applicable Industry Diversity Score shall be the lower of the two Industry Diversity Scores in the Diversity Score Table.

The Diversity Score for any Structured Finance Obligation that is (i) a collateralized loan obligation, (ii) any Synthetic Security with respect to which the Reference Obligation is a collateralized loan obligation or (iii) any Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or



notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, is equal to zero.

**DIVERSITY SCORE TABLE**

<b>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</b>	<b>Diversity Score</b>	<b>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</b>	<b>Diversity Score</b>	<b>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</b>	<b>Diversity Score</b>	<b>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</b>	<b>Diversity Score</b>
0.0000	0.0000	5.0500	2.7000	10.1500	4.0200	15.2500	4.5300
0.0500	0.1000	5.1500	2.7333	10.2500	4.0300	15.3500	4.5400
0.1500	0.2000	5.2500	2.7667	10.3500	4.0400	15.4500	4.5500
0.2500	0.3000	5.3500	2.8000	10.4500	4.0500	15.5500	4.5600
0.3500	0.4000	5.4500	2.8333	10.5500	4.0600	15.6500	4.5700
0.4500	0.5000	5.5500	2.8667	10.6500	4.0700	15.7500	4.5800
0.5500	0.6000	5.6500	2.9000	10.7500	4.0800	15.8500	4.5900
0.6500	0.7000	5.7500	2.9333	10.8500	4.0900	15.9500	4.6000
0.7500	0.8000	5.8500	2.9667	10.9500	4.1000	16.0500	4.6100
0.8500	0.9000	5.9500	3.0000	11.0500	4.1100	16.1500	4.6200
0.9500	1.0000	6.0500	3.0250	11.1500	4.1200	16.2500	4.6300
1.0500	1.0500	6.1500	3.0500	11.2500	4.1300	16.3500	4.6400
1.1500	1.1000	6.2500	3.0750	11.3500	4.1400	16.4500	4.6500
1.2500	1.1500	6.3500	3.1000	11.4500	4.1500	16.5500	4.6600
1.3500	1.2000	6.4500	3.1250	11.5500	4.1600	16.6500	4.6700
1.4500	1.2500	6.5500	3.1500	11.6500	4.1700	16.7500	4.6800
1.5500	1.3000	6.6500	3.1750	11.7500	4.1800	16.8500	4.6900
1.6500	1.3500	6.7500	3.2000	11.8500	4.1900	16.9500	4.7000
1.7500	1.4000	6.8500	3.2250	11.9500	4.2000	17.0500	4.7100
1.8500	1.4500	6.9500	3.2500	12.0500	4.2100	17.1500	4.7200
1.9500	1.5000	7.0500	3.2750	12.1500	4.2200	17.2500	4.7300
2.0500	1.5500	7.1500	3.3000	12.2500	4.2300	17.3500	4.7400
2.1500	1.6000	7.2500	3.3250	12.3500	4.2400	17.4500	4.7500
2.2500	1.6500	7.3500	3.3500	12.4500	4.2500	17.5500	4.7600
2.3500	1.7000	7.4500	3.3750	12.5500	4.2600	17.6500	4.7700
2.4500	1.7500	7.5500	3.4000	12.6500	4.2700	17.7500	4.7800
2.5500	1.8000	7.6500	3.4250	12.7500	4.2800	17.8500	4.7900
2.6500	1.8500	7.7500	3.4500	12.8500	4.2900	17.9500	4.8000
2.7500	1.9000	7.8500	3.4750	12.9500	4.3000	18.0500	4.8100
2.8500	1.9500	7.9500	3.5000	13.0500	4.3100	18.1500	4.8200
2.9500	2.0000	8.0500	3.5250	13.1500	4.3200	18.2500	4.8300
3.0500	2.0333	8.1500	3.5500	13.2500	4.3300	18.3500	4.8400
3.1500	2.0667	8.2500	3.5750	13.3500	4.3400	18.4500	4.8500
3.2500	2.1000	8.3500	3.6000	13.4500	4.3500	18.5500	4.8600
3.3500	2.1333	8.4500	3.6250	13.5500	4.3600	18.6500	4.8700
3.4500	2.1667	8.5500	3.6500	13.6500	4.3700	18.7500	4.8800
3.5500	2.2000	8.6500	3.6750	13.7500	4.3800	18.8500	4.8900
3.6500	2.2333	8.7500	3.7000	13.8500	4.3900	18.9500	4.9000
3.7500	2.2667	8.8500	3.7250	13.9500	4.4000	19.0500	4.9100
3.8500	2.3000	8.9500	3.7500	14.0500	4.4100	19.1500	4.9200
3.9500	2.3333	9.0500	3.7750	14.1500	4.4200	19.2500	4.9300
4.0500	2.3667	9.1500	3.8000	14.2500	4.4300	19.3500	4.9400
4.1500	2.4000	9.2500	3.8250	14.3500	4.4400	19.4500	4.9500
4.2500	2.4333	9.3500	3.8500	14.4500	4.4500	19.5500	4.9600
4.3500	2.4667	9.4500	3.8750	14.5500	4.4600	19.6500	4.9700
4.4500	2.5000	9.5500	3.9000	14.6500	4.4700	19.7500	4.9800
4.5500	2.5333	9.6500	3.9250	14.7500	4.4800	19.8500	4.9900
4.6500	2.5667	9.7500	3.9500	14.8500	4.4900	19.9500	5.0000
4.7500	2.6000	9.8500	3.9750	14.9500	4.5000		
4.8500	2.6333	9.9500	4.0000	15.0500	4.5100		
4.9500	2.6667	10.0500	4.0100	15.1500	4.5200		

Schedule 5**Moody's Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates**

The Moody's Recovery Rate for a Structured Finance Obligation will be the applicable rate set forth below based on the appropriate sector as categorized by Moody's:

**Diversified Securities** primarily include (1) Automobile Securities; (2) Car Rental Receivable Securities; (3) Credit Card Securities; (4) Student Loan Securities

**Residential Securities** primarily include (1) Home Equity Loan Securities; (2) Manufactured Housing Securities; (3) Residential A Mortgage Securities; (4) Residential B/C Mortgage Securities

**Undiversified Securities** primarily include (1) CMBS Conduit; (2) CMBS Credit Tenant Lease; (3) CMBS Large Loan; (4) those ABS Sectors not included in Diversified Securities

**Collateralized Debt Obligations** include (1) High-diversity CDOs (Diversity Score in excess of 20); (2) Low-Diversity CDOs (Diversity Score of 20 or less)

**Diversified Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure</u> <sup>(1)</sup>						
	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	70%	60%	50%	40%
<=70%						
>10%	75%	70%	60%	50%	40%	30%
<=10%	70%	65%	55%	45%	35%	25%

**Residential Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure</u> <sup>(1)</sup>						
	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70%						
>10%	75%	70%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10%						
>5%	65%	55%	45%	40%	30%	20%
<=5%						
>2%	55%	45%	40%	35%	25%	15%
<=2%	45%	35%	30%	25%	15%	10%

**Undiversified Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure</u> <sup>(1)</sup>						
	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70%						
>10%	75%	70%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10%						
>5%	65%	55%	45%	35%	25%	15%
<=5%						
>2%	55%	45%	35%	30%	20%	10%
<=2%	45%	35%	25%	20%	10%	5%

**High Diversity Collateralized Debt Obligations**

	<u>Initial Rating of Underlying Asset</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure<sup>(1)</sup></u>						
	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70%						
>10%	75%	70%	60%	50%	40%	25%
<=10%						
>5%	65%	55%	50%	40%	30%	20%
<=5%						
>2%	55%	45%	40%	35%	25%	10%
<=2%	45%	35%	30%	25%	10%	5%

**Low Diversity Collateralized Debt Obligations**

	<u>Initial Rating of Underlying Asset</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure<sup>(1)</sup></u>						
	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	80%	75%	60%	50%	45%	30%
<=70%						
>10%	70%	60%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10%						
>5%	60%	50%	45%	35%	25%	15%
<=5%						
>2%	50%	40%	35%	30%	20%	10%
<=2%	30%	25%	20%	15%	7%	4%

(1) Initial par amount of tranche to which Structured Finance Obligation relates divided by initial par amount of total securities issued by Structured Finance Obligation issuer.

Schedule 6**S&P Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates\***RATING OF A CLASS OF NOTES AT THE TIME OF  
COMMITMENT TO PURCHASE**Structured Finance  
Obligation Rating\***

Senior Asset Class	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC
AAA	80.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
AA	70.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
A	60.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
BBB	50.0%	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%
Junior Asset Class							
	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC
AAA	65.0%	70.0%	80.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%
AA	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
A	40.0%	45.0%	55.0%	65.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
BBB	30.0%	35.0%	40.0%	45.0%	50.0%	60.0%	70.0%
BB	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	25.0%	35.0%	40.0%	50.0%
B	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%	10.0%	10.0%	20.0%	25.0%
CCC	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%

\* If the Structured Finance Obligation is (x) a collateralized debt obligation backed by project finance securities, asset-backed securities, structured finance or real estate securities, distressed debt or other collateralized debt obligations; (y) a market value collateralized debt obligation; or (z) a synthetic collateralized debt obligation, the recovery rate will be assigned by S&P at the time of acquisition. This Schedule 6 may be modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by S&P.

Schedule 7**Certain Defined Terms Relating to S&P Rating and Moody's Rating**

**“Assigned Moody's Rating”:** The monitored publicly available rating or the monitored estimated rating expressly assigned to a debt obligation (or facility) by Moody's that addresses the full amount of the principal and interest promised.

**“Moody's Default Probability Rating”:** With respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (a) with respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:
  - (i) if the Loan's obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, such corporate family rating;
  - (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Obligation Rating of such Loan;
  - (iii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, the rating that is one subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating;
- (b) with respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a High-Yield Bond, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating of such Collateral Obligation;
- (c) with respect to a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the rating that is one rating subcategory below the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof;
- (d) with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof or, if the obligation does not have an Assigned Moody's Rating but has a rating by S&P, then the Moody's Default Probability Rating shall be:
  - (i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is “BBB–” or higher; or
  - (ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is “BB+” or lower; and
- (e) with respect to a Synthetic Security, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down (if on watch for downgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories or adjusted up (if on watch for upgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories.

For purposes of any calculation under this Indenture, if a Moody's Default Probability Rating is withdrawn by Moody's with respect to a Collateral Obligation and if the Issuer, or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, has applied for a rating estimate from Moody's with respect to such Collateral Obligation, the Issuer will continue using the latest Moody's Default Probability Rating available immediately prior to such withdrawal pending receipt of such rating estimate from Moody's; *provided, however*, that if a Moody's Default Probability Rating is withdrawn and neither the Issuer, nor the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, have applied for a rating estimate, the provisions of this Schedule 7 with respect to Collateral Obligations whose ratings have been withdrawn will be followed.

***“Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating”***: With respect to any Collateral Obligation that is a Loan or bond and the obligor thereof, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

(a) if the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating;

(b) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's "Issuer Rating" (as defined by Moody's) for the obligor;

(c) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating; then

(i) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "B3" (and, if rated "B3", not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one rating subcategory higher than such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(ii) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "B3" (or rated "B3" and on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be such Assigned Moody's Rating;

(d) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating; then:

(i) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "Caa3" (and, if rated "Caa3", not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one subcategory below such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(ii) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "Caa3" (or rated "Caa3" and on watch for downgrade), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be "C";

(e) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but such obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be one rating subcategory below such corporate family rating;

(f) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any



postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be:

(i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher,

(ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; or

(iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating no lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or High-Yield Bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (f)(iii), or clause (g)(iii) or (h)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(g) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (c) above; or

(iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or High-Yield Bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (g)(iii), or clauses (f)(iii) or (h)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(h) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (d) above; or

(iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or High-Yield Bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (h)(iii), or clauses (f)(iii) or (g)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(i) if the preceding clauses do not apply and each of the following clauses (i) through (viii) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa1":

(i) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings;

(ii) no debt securities or obligations of the obligor are in default;

(iii) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates has defaulted on any debt during the preceding two years;

(iv) the obligor has been in existence for the preceding five years;

(v) the obligor is current on any cumulative dividends;

(vi) the fixed-charge ratio for the obligor exceeds 125% for each of the preceding two fiscal years and for the most recent quarter;

(vii) the obligor had a net profit before tax in the past fiscal year and the most recent quarter; and

(viii) the annual financial statements of such obligor are unqualified and certified by a firm of Independent accountants of international reputation, and quarterly statements are unaudited but signed by a corporate officer;

(j) if the preceding clauses do not apply but each of the following clauses (i) and (ii) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa3":

(i) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings; and

(ii) no debt security or obligation of such obligor has been in default during the past two years; and

(k) if the preceding clauses do not apply and a debt security or obligation of the obligor has been in default during the past two years, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Ca."

Notwithstanding the foregoing, not more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may consist of Relevant Obligations given a Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating based on a rating given by S&P as provided in clauses (f), (g) and (h) above.

**"Moody's Obligation Rating":** With respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (a) With respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:
  - (i) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or
  - (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the rating that is one rating subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and
- (b) With respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a High-Yield Bond:
  - (i) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or
  - (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and
- (c) With respect to a Synthetic Security or a DIP Loan, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Obligation Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

**"Moody's Rating":** The Moody's Default Probability Rating; *provided* that, with respect to the Collateral Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or any successor to it ceases to provide rating services, references to rating categories of Moody's in this Indenture shall be deemed instead to be references to the equivalent categories of any other nationally recognized investment rating agency selected by the Servicer, as of the most recent date on which such other rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which such alternative rating agency is used. If no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's, then the Servicer may apply to Moody's for a Moody's credit rating estimate, which will be its Moody's Rating; *provided* that, on or prior to each one-year anniversary of the acquisition of any such Collateral Obligation, the Issuer shall submit to Moody's a request for a Moody's credit rating estimate for such Collateral Obligation, which shall be its Moody's Rating, together with all information reasonably required by Moody's to perform such estimate.

**“S&P Rating”:** With respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following methodology:

(i) If there is an issuer credit rating of the borrower of the Collateral Obligation (the “**Borrower**”), or the guarantor who unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the Collateral Obligation (the “**Guarantor**”) by S&P, the most current issuer credit rating for such Borrower or Guarantor (provided that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating);

(ii) (a) if there is not an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation will be one subcategory below such rating; (b) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior unsecured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be such rating; and (c) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a subordinated obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be two subcategories above such rating if such rating is “BBB-” or higher and will be one subcategory above such rating if such rating is “BB+” or lower (provided that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating); or

(iii) if there is neither an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P nor a rating by S&P on an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating may be determined using any one of the methods below:

(A) if an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is publicly rated by Moody’s, then the S&P Rating will be determined in accordance with the methodologies for establishing the Moody’s Default Probability Rating, except that the S&P Rating of such obligation will be (1) one subcategory below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody’s if such security is rated “Baa3” or higher by Moody’s and (2) two subcategories below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody’s if such security is rated “Ba1” or lower by Moody’s; *provided* that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may be given a S&P Rating based on a rating given by Moody’s as provided in this subclause (A) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable); or

(B) if no security or obligation of the issuer or obligor is rated by S&P or Moody’s, and the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer has applied to S&P for a rating estimate and provided all relevant Information to S&P (at Credit\_estimates@sandp.com) within 30 days of the acquisition (or, if such application is caused as a result of a rating withdrawal by S&P or Moody’s, as applicable, the withdrawal of the rating by S&P or Moody’s, as applicable) of

such security or obligation, such security or obligation, pending receipt from S&P of such rating estimate, shall have an S&P Rating as determined by the Servicer in its commercially reasonable judgment; *provided* that, if the Servicer does not submit all relevant Information within 30 days of such acquisition or rating withdrawal, as applicable, of such security or obligation, (x) S&P shall endeavor to provide a rating estimate as soon as reasonably practical upon receipt of all relevant Information, (y) during a period of 90 days (or such longer period as agreed to by S&P pursuant to a request made by the Servicer) from the date of such acquisition or rating withdrawal, as applicable, and pending receipt from S&P of a rating estimate, such security or obligation shall have an S&P Rating as determined by the Servicer in its commercially reasonable judgment and (z) if S&P does not provide a rating estimate within 90 days (or such longer period as agreed by S&P pursuant to a request made by the Servicer) of the date of such acquisition or rating withdrawal, as applicable, of such security or obligation, such security or obligation shall be treated as rated “CCC-” by S&P until such time as S&P provides a credit estimate; and

(C) any reference in this definition to an S&P rating estimate or estimated rating must be such rating provided by S&P in writing and any such rating shall expire after one year of its provision by S&P. The Servicer may re-apply for a credit estimate within 30 days prior to the expiration of such credit estimate, subject to the procedures specified in subclause (iii)(B) above; *provided* that, if an obligation identical to a Collateral Obligation is held in another fund serviced or managed by the Servicer and an estimated rating has been assigned by S&P to such obligation held in such other fund (and such estimated rating has not yet expired), such estimated rating, upon request by the Servicer to S&P, shall be applicable to the Collateral Obligation held by the Trustee under this Indenture;

*provided* that if (i) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any positive “credit watch” list by S&P, such rating will be increased by one rating subcategory or (ii) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any negative “credit watch” list by S&P, such rating will be decreased by one rating subcategory.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the S&P Rating shall be (A) the rating assigned thereto by S&P if the rating is public, (B) the rating assigned by S&P if the rating is confidential, but only if all appropriate parties have provided written consent to its disclosure and use, (C) the rating assigned by S&P thereto through an estimated rating or (D) the rating assigned thereto by S&P in connection with the acquisition thereof upon the request of the Servicer. In the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a PIK Security, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Securities, the S&P Rating may not be determined pursuant to clause (iii)(A) above.

S&P Ratings for entities or obligations relevant hereunder other than Borrowers and Collateral Obligations shall be determined in a corresponding manner.

***“Information”***: S&P’s “Credit Estimate Information Requirements” dated June 2007 and any other information S&P reasonably requests in order to produce a credit estimate for a Collateral Obligation.

Exhibit A-1

**Form of Senior Note**

Ex. A-1-1

Exhibit A-2

**Form of Class E Note**

Ex. A-2-1



Exhibit B-1

**Form of Senior Note Transferee Certificate**

Ex. B-1-1

Exhibit B-2

**Form of Senior Note Transferor Certificate for Regulation S to Rule 144A Transfer**

Ex. B-2-1

Exhibit B-3

**Form of Senior Note Transferor Certificate for Rule 144A to Regulation S Transfer**

Ex. B-3-1

Exhibit B-4

**Form of Class E Note Transferee Certificate**

Ex. B-4-1

Exhibit B-5

**Form of Benefit Plan Investor and Affected Bank Certificate**

Ex. B-5-1

Exhibit C

**Form of Dechert LLP Opinion**

Ex. C-1

Exhibit D

**Form of Walkers Opinion**

Ex. D-1

Exhibit E

**Form of Nixon Peabody LLP Opinion**

Ex. E-1



Exhibit F

**Form of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP Opinion**

Ex. F-1

Exhibit G

**Form of Pepper Hamilton LLP Opinion**

Ex. G-1

Exhibit H-1

**Form of Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice**

Ex. H-1-1

Exhibit H-2

**Form of Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice**

Ex. H-2-1

Exhibit I

**Form of Beneficial Owner Certificate**

Ex. I-1

Exhibit J

**Form of Extension Notice**

Ex. J-1

Exhibit K

**Form of Insurer Notice**

Ex. K-1

## **EXHIBIT H**



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**SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE NO. 1**  
**(Aberdeen Loan Funding, Ltd.)**

**THIS SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE NO. 1** (this “Supplemental Indenture”), dated as of September 11, 2008, is entered into in connection with that certain Indenture, dated as of March 27, 2008 (as amended, supplemented, restated or replaced from time to time, the “Indenture”), by and among ABERDEEN LOAN FUNDING, LTD., an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the “Issuer”), ABERDEEN LOAN FUNDING CORP., a Delaware corporation (the “Co-Issuer” and, together with the Issuer, the “Co-Issuers”), and STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, a trust company formed under the laws of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, as trustee (herein, together with its permitted successors in the trusts hereunder, called the “Trustee”). Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings given to such terms in the Indenture.

**RECITALS**

**WHEREAS**, the above-named parties have entered into the Indenture and, pursuant to and in accordance with Section 8.1 thereof, desire to amend the Indenture in certain respects as provided herein;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, based upon the above Recitals, the mutual premises and agreements contained herein, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned, intending to be legally bound, hereby agree as follows:

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.**

(a) In Section 1.1 of the Indenture, the definition of “*Deep Discount Obligation*” is hereby amended by deleting the word “or” in the fourth line and replacing it with the words “except for”.

**SECTION 2. AGREEMENT IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT AS AMENDED.**

Except as specifically amended hereby, all provisions of the Indenture shall remain in full force and effect. This Supplemental Indenture shall not be deemed to expressly or impliedly waive, amend or supplement any provision of the Indenture other than as expressly set forth herein and shall not constitute a novation of the Indenture.

**SECTION 3. REPRESENTATIONS.**

Each of the Co-Issuers represents and warrants as of the date of this Supplemental Indenture as follows:

(i) it is duly incorporated or organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of its jurisdiction of incorporation or organization;

(ii) the execution, delivery and performance by it of this Supplemental Indenture are within its powers, have been duly authorized, and do not contravene its charter, by-laws or other organizational documents, or any applicable law;

(iii) no consent, license, permit, approval or authorization of, or registration, filing or declaration with any governmental authority, is required in connection with the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Supplemental Indenture by or against it;

(iv) this Supplemental Indenture has been duly executed and delivered by it;

(v) this Supplemental Indenture constitutes its legal, valid and binding obligation, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, except as enforceability may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally or by general principles of equity; and

(vi) it is not in default under the Indenture.

#### **SECTION 4. CONDITIONS TO EFFECTIVENESS.**

Pursuant to Section 8.1 of the Indenture, as of the date hereof, the Co-Issuers, the Servicer (on behalf of the Co-Issuers) and/or the Trustee, as required, have received confirmation in writing that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the Supplemental Indenture. Accordingly, this Supplemental Indenture shall become effective as of the date hereof.

#### **SECTION 5. MISCELLANEOUS.**

(a) This Supplemental Indenture may be executed in any number of counterparts (including by facsimile or other electronic means), and by the different parties hereto on the same or separate counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original instrument but all of which together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

(b) The descriptive headings of the various sections of this Supplemental Indenture are inserted for convenience of reference only and shall not be deemed to affect the meaning or construction of any of the provisions hereof.

(c) This Supplemental Indenture may not be amended or otherwise modified except as provided in the Indenture.

(d) The failure or unenforceability of any provision hereof shall not affect the other provisions of this Supplemental Indenture.

(e) Whenever the context and construction so require, all words used in the singular number herein shall be deemed to have been used in the plural, and vice versa, and the masculine gender shall include the feminine and neuter and the neuter shall include the masculine and feminine.

(f) This Supplemental Indenture represents the final agreement between the parties only with respect to the subject matter expressly covered hereby and may not be contradicted by evidence of prior, contemporaneous or subsequent oral agreements between the parties. There are no unwritten oral agreements between the parties.

(g) **THIS SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE AND THE RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE PARTIES UNDER THIS SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED AND INTERPRETED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS PROVISIONS THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION.**

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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the undersigned have caused this Supplemental Indenture to be executed by their respective officers thereunto duly authorized, as of the date first above written.

**ABERDEEN LOAN FUNDING, LTD.**, as the  
Issuer

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

Witnessed by: \_\_\_\_\_

**ABERDEEN LOAN FUNDING CORP.**, as the  
Co-Issuer

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

**STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST  
COMPANY, as Trustee**

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

# **EXHIBIT I**

PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENCY AGREEMENT

As of March 27, 2008

State Street Bank and Trust Company,  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent  
CDO Services Group – Aberdeen Loan Funding, Ltd.  
200 Clarendon Street  
Mail Code: EUC 108  
Boston, MA 02116

Walkers SPV Limited,  
as Share Registrar  
Walker House  
87 Mary Street  
George Town, Grand Cayman  
Cayman Islands, KY1-9002

Ladies and Gentlemen:

THIS PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENCY AGREEMENT, dated as of March 27, 2008 (this "Agreement") is entered into between ABERDEEN LOAN FUNDING, LTD., an exempted company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the "Issuer") and State STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY ("State Street"), as preference shares paying agent (the "Preference Shares Paying Agent") for the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares issued by the Issuer (collectively, the "Preference Shares") and WALKERS SPV LIMITED as share registrar (the "Share Registrar") for the shares (including the Preference Shares) issued by the Issuer. The Issuer hereby appoints State Street as Preference Shares Paying Agent under the terms set forth below and confirms State Street's agreement to distribute any funds to be paid to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Priority of Payments set forth in the Indenture (as defined herein). Reference is also made to the indenture, dated as of March 27, 2008, among the Issuer, Aberdeen Loan Funding Corp. (the "Co-Issuer") and State Street, as trustee (the "Indenture"). Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings assigned thereto in the Indenture or, if not defined therein, certain resolutions passed at a meeting of the Issuer's Board of Directors that was held on March 26, 2008, as reflected in the minutes thereof, including Annex A ("Annex A") therein (the "Resolutions") and, together with this Agreement and the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the "Preference Share Documents"). The Preference Shares will be issued, and may be transferred, subject to the procedures set forth in Annex A to the Resolutions the terms of which are incorporated hereto.

On the Closing Date, (i) all of the Class I Preference Shares will be offered and sold directly by the Issuer to Highland CDO Opportunity Master Fund, L.P. (an Affiliate of the Servicer) or one or more of its Affiliates, and (ii) all of the Class II Preference Shares will be offered and sold by the Issuer directly to Highland Crusader Offshore Partners, L.P. (an Affiliate of the Servicer) or one or more of its Affiliates or Highland Credit Strategies Master Fund, L.P. (an Affiliate of the Servicer) or one or more of its Affiliates.

Section 1. Notice of Distribution to Directors. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, promptly after receipt of the Valuation Report, shall forward or make available to the directors of the Issuer (as identified to it by the Issuer) the Valuation Report which identifies the Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds, payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares on the applicable Payment Date.

Section 2. Payments of Dividends and Other Distributions, Amounts Not Distributable. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, subject to paragraphs (b), (c), (d) and (e) below, pay or cause to be paid, on behalf of the Issuer on each applicable Payment Date, the Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds received from the Trustee to the Holders of the Preference Shares as a distribution of dividends on such Payment Date. Such distributions of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds by way of dividends to the Holders of Preference Shares shall be paid *pro rata* in the proportion that the number of Preference Shares held by each such Holder bears to the total number of Preference Shares. The Issuer, or the Share Registrar on its behalf, shall provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with a copy of the share register of the Issuer on the Closing Date and thereafter, the Share Registrar will promptly notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent of any changes to the share register of the Issuer. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall notify the Issuer and the Share Registrar of any transfers of Preference Shares known to it.

(b) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, distributions of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds by way of dividends to the Holders of Preference Shares on any Payment Date shall (i) be subject to the Issuer being solvent under Cayman Islands law (defined as the Issuer being able to pay its debts as they become due in the ordinary course of business) immediately prior to, and after giving effect to, such payment as determined by the Issuer and (ii) be made only to the extent that the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium out of which to make such payment as determined by the Issuer. If the Issuer determines that the conditions set forth in either clause (i) or (ii) above are not satisfied with respect to any portion of Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds payable on such Payment Date, the Issuer shall instruct the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing not later than one Business Day prior to such Payment Date that such portion of Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds, as applicable, should not be paid, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not pay the same, to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the first succeeding Payment Date, or (in the case of any payments which would otherwise be payable on the Redemption Date or any Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) until the first succeeding Business Day, upon which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing that each such condition is satisfied, at which time the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall distribute such amounts. To the extent available, distributions shall be made first out of distributable profits for the current Due Period, then out of distributable profits in excess of dividends for prior Due Periods and then out of share premium.

(c) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, distributions of the Redemption Price by way of redemption of the Preference Shares shall be subject to the Issuer being solvent under Cayman Islands law (defined as the Issuer being able to pay its debts as they become due in the ordinary course of business) immediately prior to, and after giving effect to, such distribution as determined by the Issuer. For purposes of this subsection (c), a determination as to whether the Issuer is solvent on the Redemption Date shall be made by the



Issuer (A) after giving effect to any payments to be made on such Redemption Date and (B) in light of the fact that the obligations of the Issuer to the Holders of the Notes, the other Secured Parties and the other Persons subject to the Priority of Payments are limited in recourse to the Collateral, and not to amounts (i) in the Preference Shares Distribution Account, (ii) any other amounts released from the Collateral in accordance with the Indenture and held by or on behalf of the Issuer for the benefit of the Holders of the Preference Shares or (iii) amounts on deposit in the Issuer's bank account in the Cayman Islands, and that after the assets in the Collateral are exhausted, such parties will have no further claim against the Issuer. If the Issuer determines that such condition is not satisfied on a Redemption Date with respect to any portion of the Redemption Price, the Issuer shall instruct the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing not later than one Business Day prior to such Redemption Date that such portion should not be distributed, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not distribute the same, to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the first succeeding Business Day upon which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing that such condition is satisfied, and the amounts so retained in the Preference Shares Distribution Account will be held therein until such amounts are paid.

(d) On each Payment Date, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall distribute, on behalf of the Issuer, amounts, if any, received by it from the Trustee, which are then on deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account pursuant to Section 10.3(i) of the Indenture for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as the Class II Preference Share Special Payment.

(e) Dividends to the Holders of the Preference Shares (other than Class II Preference Share Special Payments) may be paid, in whole or in part on any Payment Date, with any Eligible Equity Securities held by, or on behalf of, the Issuer at such time in lieu of a distribution of Interest Proceeds. The Servicer, on behalf the Issuer, shall have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute any Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares (as identified to the Trustee by the Preference Shares Paying Agent) with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be due and payable on such Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to any such Payment Date shall be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be increased accordingly.

(f) Anything in this Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding, the Holders of the Preference Shares acknowledge and agree for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes that the rights of the Holders of the Preference Shares to distributions by the Issuer and in and to the assets of the Issuer in respect of such Preference Shares, shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes, to the extent and in the manner set forth in the Indenture including as set forth in Section 11.1 thereof and as required by law. If any Event of Default has occurred and has not been cured

or waived and acceleration occurs in accordance with Article V of the Indenture, the Notes shall be paid in full in Cash before any further payment or distribution is made on account of the Preference Shares. The Holders of the Preference Shares agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes, not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer for failure to pay to them amounts due under the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association or hereunder in respect of the Preference Shares or payable under the Indenture prior to the date which is one year and one day (or, if longer, the applicable preference period) after the payment in full of principal of and interest on the Notes.

(g) In the event that notwithstanding the provisions of this Agreement or the Indenture, any Holder of any Preference Shares shall have received any payment or distribution in respect of such Preference Shares contrary to the provisions of this Agreement, the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association or the Indenture, then, unless and until (i) the Class A Notes, (ii) the Class B Notes, (iii) the Class C Notes, (iv) the Class D Notes and (v) the Class E Notes shall have been paid in full in Cash (or to the extent that a Majority of each Class of Notes consents, other than Cash) in accordance with the Indenture, such payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, for payment and delivery of the same to the Holders of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes, as the case may be, in accordance with the Indenture; provided, however, that if any such payment or distribution is made other than in Cash, it shall be paid over and delivered to the Trustee such that it may be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral pursuant to, and subject in all respects to, the provisions of the Indenture, including Section 13.1 thereof.

Section 3. Payments and Redemption. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall make payments or distributions (other than distributions of Eligible Equity Securities) to each registered Holder on the relevant Record Date by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a U.S. Dollar account maintained by such Holder as notified to the Preference Shares Paying Agent or, in the absence of such notification, by U.S. Dollar check mailed to such Holder at its address of record. The Issuer shall, or shall ensure that the Share Registrar will, provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with all relevant information regarding the registered Holders of the Preference Shares as the Preference Shares Paying Agent may reasonably require to the extent such information is in possession or control of the Issuer or Share Registrar.

(b) If the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, desires to make distributions of Eligible Equity Securities on any Payment Date in lieu of Interest Proceeds that are otherwise available for distribution to the Holders of Preference Shares on such Payment Date pursuant to the Priority of Payments and as described in Section 2(e) above, the Servicer shall notify the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Servicing Agreement not later than 20 calendar days prior to such Payment Date and provide the Trustee, the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding on the Record Date or promptly thereafter, but in no event later than two Business Days after the Record Date, to each Holder of the Preference Shares registered as such on the Record Date for such Payment Date) with (i) details of the Eligible Equity Securities to be distributed, (ii) the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities determined as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date, (iii) any other information considered necessary by the Servicer in connection with such proposed distribution and (iv) any information as otherwise required by the Trustee and/or the Preference Shares

Paying Agent with respect to such proposed distribution. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall then mail such materials, within two Business Days of its receipt thereof from the Servicer, to each registered Holder of Preference Shares on the Record Date for such Payment Date along with a form of notice and consent (in a form attached hereto in Schedule I) seeking the written consent of each such Holder of Preference Shares to distribute such Eligible Equity Securities to such Holder in lieu of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date. Each Holder of the Preference Shares wishing to receive such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of a distribution of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such applicable Payment Date (each such Holder with respect to such Payment Date, a “Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares”) is required to deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent a written consent (which consent will be irrevocable) no later than five Business Days prior to such Payment Date. If any Holder of Preference Shares does not timely deliver its written consent to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in the manner set forth in such notice indicating its consent to the receipt of such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of a distribution of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date, such Holder shall be deemed to have not given its consent and shall not be a Consenting Holder of Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. On each applicable Payment Date (or as soon thereafter as reasonably practicable), Eligible Equity Securities shall be distributed *pro rata* to each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. Each Holder of Preference Shares that is not a Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares (and, for the avoidance of doubt, each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares to the extent the Market Value as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date of the *pro rata* portion of Eligible Equity Securities distributed to it on such Payment Date is less than the *pro rata* portion of the Interest Proceeds that it would have received on such Payment Date had the Eligible Equity Securities not been distributed on such Payment Date) on any applicable Payment Date shall receive a distribution of Interest Proceeds to the extent available in accordance with the Priority of Payments on such Payment Date in accordance with Section 2(e) herein and the Indenture.

(c) The Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be obligated to pay any additional amounts to Holders or beneficial owners of the Preference Shares as a result of any withholding or deduction for, or on account of, any present or future taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges. As a condition to payment of any amount, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, may require certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments or distributions in respect of Preference Shares under any present or future law or regulation of the United States or any present or future law or regulation of any political subdivision thereof or taxing authority therein or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under such law or regulation. Amounts properly withheld under the Code by any Person from a payment or distribution to a Holder of Preference Shares shall be considered as having been paid by the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent to such Holder for all purposes herein. The Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereby provide notice to each Holder or beneficial owner of the Preference Shares that the failure to provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with appropriate tax certifications will result in amounts being withheld from payments to such Holders or beneficial owners of the Preference Shares under this

Agreement (provided that amounts withheld pursuant to applicable tax laws shall be considered as having been paid by the Issuer as provided herein).

(d) The Issuer, the Share Registrar and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem and treat the Holder of any Preference Shares as the absolute owner of such Preference Shares, notwithstanding any notation of ownership or other writing on any certificate representing such Preference Shares, for the purpose of paying dividends and other distributions thereon, and for all other purposes, and none of the Issuer, the Share Registrar or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be affected by any notice to the contrary. All such payments (including distributions of Eligible Equity Securities) so made to such Holder or upon such Holder's order shall be valid and, to the extent of the sum or sums so paid, effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability for the monies payable upon any such Preference Share.

(e) All payments by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder shall be made without charging any commission or fee to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

(f) On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Issuer shall redeem the Preference Shares for a redemption price equal to all amounts distributable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Priority of Payments set forth in the Indenture, unless the Preference Shares have been redeemed earlier through an optional redemption or otherwise. Upon final payment due on the Preference Shares (whether on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date or any earlier Redemption Date), the Holder thereof shall present and surrender the certificates, if any, representing the Preference Shares at the office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent on or prior to such final payment date. On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, all payments on redemption of Preference Shares to the Holders of the Preference Shares shall be made *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings.

Notice of final payment of the Preference Shares pursuant to an optional redemption in conjunction with an optional redemption of the Notes shall be given as set forth in Section 9.3 of the Indenture. Notice of any other final payment shall be given by the Preference Shares Paying Agent by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days nor earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date to each Holder of Preference Shares at such Holder's address as set forth in the share register of the Issuer.

All notices of redemption shall state:

- (i) the Redemption Date on which the Preference Shares are to be redeemed;
- (ii) the applicable Redemption Price for the Preference Shares being redeemed;
- (iii) the place or places where such Preference Shares to be redeemed are to be surrendered for payment of the applicable Redemption Price, which shall be the office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent; and

(iv) in the case of an optional redemption, the latest possible date upon which such notice of redemption may be withdrawn.

The Issuer shall have the option to withdraw any such notice of redemption up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Trustee, the Servicer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) only if (i) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) of the Indenture, the Servicer does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications required under the Indenture (as described in Section 9.3(c) and 12.1(f) of the Indenture), as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, (ii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i) of the Indenture, the Issuer receives the written direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption delivered by a percentage of the Preference Shares requesting redemption under Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i) of the Indenture, as applicable, or (iii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii) of the Indenture, the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer thereby agrees for the benefit of the directing Holders to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (ii) or this clause (iii)). Notice of any such withdrawal shall be delivered pursuant to Section 9.3 of the Indenture.

Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Preference Shares.

(g) On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, so long as all administrative fees and expenses and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture and all amounts owing under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged:

(i) at the request of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings, subject to Section 2(b) hereof and Cayman Islands law; or

(ii) at the unanimous request of the Holders of the Preference Shares, voting as a single Class or group, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a requested portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such request, subject to Section 2(b) hereof and Cayman Islands law.

(h) If any Holder of Preference Shares desires to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Notes in accordance with Section 9.2(a) of the Indenture, such Holder shall notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Servicer not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made. If the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee and the Issuer receive notice from one or more Holders of Preference Shares holding less than a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, within five Business Days of receipt of such notice, notify the Holders of the Preference Shares (i) of the receipt of such notice and (ii) that any Holder of Preference Shares may join in directing an Optional Redemption by notifying the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing within five Business Days after such Holder's receipt of the Preference Shares Paying Agent's notice. If the Holders of at least a Majority of the Preference Shares direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Notes, the Issuer shall effect an Optional Redemption of the Notes pursuant to the procedures described in the Indenture.

(i) If any Holder of Preference Shares desires to request the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares after the redemption or repayment of the Notes and in accordance with paragraphs (g)(i) and (ii) above, such Holder shall notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing not later than 30 Business Days (or with the Servicer's consent, not later than 20 Business Days) prior to the proposed Redemption Date (which must be a Payment Date). Upon receiving such notice, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall promptly (and in no event later than two Business Days thereafter) notify the Issuer and each Holder of the Preference Shares thereof. Each Holder of Preference Shares that also wishes to request the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares must so notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing (and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall promptly notify the Issuer and the Servicer of such request) within 5 Business Days after receipt of such notice. If the aggregate number of Preference Shares that have requested the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares equals or exceeds the minimum threshold set forth in paragraphs (g)(i) and (ii) above, the Issuer shall may effect an optional redemption of the Preference Shares pursuant to the procedures described in the Preference Share Documents. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Preference Shares must be redeemed on or prior to the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. The Preference Shares shall be redeemed from the proceeds of any Collateral remaining after giving effect to the redemption or repayment of the Notes and payment in full of all expenses of the Co-Issuers.

(j) If the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, proposes a Refinancing in accordance with Section 9.7(a) of the Indenture by notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall promptly upon receipt of such notice (and in no event later than two Business Days thereafter) notify each Holder of Preference Shares thereof. Each Holder of Preference Shares that wishes to consent to such Refinancing will deliver such consent to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing no later than 15 days prior to the Refinancing Date. Upon receipt of such consents, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall immediately notify the Servicer whether or not the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares (voting as a single class) have consented to such Refinancing.

Section 4. Preference Shares Distribution Account. (a) On or prior to the Closing Date, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the "Preference Shares Distribution Account" (the "Preference Shares Distribution Account") that shall be held in trust in the name of the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the benefit of the Issuer, over which the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall cause the Trustee to make any payment pursuant to the Priority of Payments by wire transfer (or by internal transfer if the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent are the same Person) to the Preference Shares Distribution Account in immediately available funds. All sums received by the Preference Shares Paying Agent from the Trustee or the Issuer for payment of dividends or other distributions (other than the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) or the Redemption Price in respect of the Preference Shares shall be deposited promptly in the Preference Shares Distribution Account until the first Payment Date or, in the case of the payment of the Redemption Price in respect of the Preference Shares, the first Business Day, on which, in either case, the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent that such distribution can be made to the Holders of the Preference Shares in accordance with Section 2. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall then apply such funds as provided for in Section 3. All sums payable by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder shall be paid out of the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

(b) Notwithstanding anything herein, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not incur any personal liability to pay amounts due to Holders of the Preference Shares and shall only be required to make payments or other distributions (including the Redemption Price thereof) if there are sufficient monies in the Preference Shares Distribution Account to make such payments or other distributions.

(c) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no right of set off with respect to amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

(d) Amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account that are not paid out may be deposited in an interest-bearing account as directed in writing by the Issuer.

Section 5. Unclaimed Payments. Except as otherwise required by applicable law, any money deposited with the Preference Shares Paying Agent and held in the Preference Shares Distribution Account or otherwise held for payment on any Preference Share and remaining unclaimed for two years after such payment has become due and payable shall be paid to the Issuer upon Issuer Request; and the Holder of such Preference Shares shall thereafter look only to the Issuer for payment of such amounts and all liability of the Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such money (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Issuer) shall thereupon cease. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, before being required to make any such release of payment, may, but shall not be required to, adopt and employ, at the expense of the Issuer any reasonable means of notification of such release of payment, including, but not limited to, arranging with the Share Registrar for the Share Registrar to mail notice of such release to Holders of Preference Shares whose right to or interest in monies due and payable but not claimed is determinable from the records of the Issuer or Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, at the last address of record of each such Holder.

Section 6. Additional Issuance of Preference Shares. (a) At any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the proceeds from such issuance and sale to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or as otherwise permitted under the Preference Share Documents and the Indenture; provided that the following conditions are met: (i) the terms of the Preference Shares issued shall be identical to the terms of previously issued Preference Shares and (ii) the net proceeds of any additional Preference Shares shall be used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations. Such additional Preference Shares may be offered and sold at prices that differ from the initial offering prices of the outstanding Preference Shares; provided that the initial offering prices of additional Preference Shares shall not be below 100% of the face amount thereof. The Issuer shall cause purchases of additional Preference Shares made pursuant to an additional issuance of Preference Shares to comply individually and in the aggregate with the applicable purchase and transfer restrictions for the Preference Shares set forth herein in Section 9 and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

(b) Any additional Preference Shares issued shall, to the extent reasonably practicable, be offered by the Issuer first to the existing Holders of the Preference Shares, in such amounts as are necessary to preserve their *pro rata* holdings of the Preference Shares.

Section 7. Purchase and Conversion of Preference Shares. (a) Each Holder or beneficial owner of Preference Shares, by its ownership of such Preference Shares, acknowledges and agrees that each Non-Consenting Holder of Preference Shares with respect to an amendment of the Indenture (which includes Holders that fail to respond to a consent solicitation within the applicable period) will be forced to sell its applicable Preference Shares pursuant to Section 9.6 of the Indenture, whereby the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser is permitted to purchase the Preference Shares held by any such Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; provided that if any Non-Consenting Holder holds Class II Preference Shares, such Non-Consenting Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and such Preference Shares will, subject to the Issuer Articles of Association, be converted to Class I Preference Shares, which shall be effected by a redemption by the Issuer of the applicable Class II Preference Shares and an issue of an equivalent number of Class I Preference Shares.

(b) Each Holder or beneficial owner of Preference Shares will have the right to sell such Preference Shares to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser upon a Maturity Extension pursuant to Section 2.4 of the Indenture at the applicable Extension Purchase Price and absent such sale shall be subject to an extension of the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date as set forth in the Indenture and the other aspects of a Maturity Extension under the Indenture; provided that if any Non-Consenting Holder holds Class II Preference Shares, such Non-Consenting Holder shall sell such Class II Preference Shares to the Extension Qualifying Purchaser, and such Preference Shares will, subject to the Issuer Articles of Association, be converted to Class I Preference Shares, which shall be effected by a redemption by the Issuer of the applicable Class II Preference Shares and an issue of an equivalent number of Class I Preference Shares.



(c) The Share Registrar shall record in the register maintained by it those Preference Shares which it has been notified in writing are held by HFP or any of its subsidiaries and which Preference Shares so specifically designated by Highland Capital are held by Highland Capital or its Affiliates (together with HFP or any of its subsidiaries, the “Approved Class II Preference Shareholders”). Such Preference Shares shall be designated at issue or issued, upon a transfer to an Approved Class II Preference Shareholder by the Issuer, as Class II Preference Shares. The Share Registrar at the direction of the Issuer will update the Share Register to reflect (i) any transfer of such Class II Preference Shares by an Approved Class II Preference Shareholder to any Person other than an Approved Class II Preference Shareholder, the redemption of such Class II Preference Shares and the issue of an equivalent number of Class I Preference Shares, subject to the Issuer Articles of Association, and (ii) any transfer of Class I Preference Shares to any Approved Class II Preference Shareholder, the redemption of such Class I Preference Shares and the issue of an equivalent number of Class II Preference Shares, subject to the Issuer Articles of Association.

Section 8. Execution, Delivery and Dating. The certificates (if required by the Resolutions) relating to the Preference Shares shall be executed on behalf of the Issuer as provided for in the Issuer’s Memorandum and Articles of Association.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Agreement, the Issuer may deliver Preference Share certificates (the “Preference Share Certificates”) executed by the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, upon Issuer Order, shall deliver such Preference Share Certificates as provided in this Agreement and not otherwise.

Each Preference Share Certificate delivered by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to or upon Issuer Order on the Closing Date shall be dated the Closing Date. All other Preference Share Certificates that are delivered after the Closing Date for any other purpose under this Agreement shall be dated the date of their delivery.

Section 9. Registration and Registration of Transfer. (a) When the Preference Shares Paying Agent receives a request for transfer of Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall comply with its obligations as set forth in Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions.

Each purchaser and subsequent transferee of Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares will represent and agree (and each fiduciary acting on behalf of such purchaser or subsequent transferee (both in its fiduciary and corporate capacity) will represent and agree) whether such purchaser or subsequent transferee is (or is not, as applicable) a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person set forth in a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-5 to the Indenture. No Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person will be permitted to purchase Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares, unless such purchaser’s or subsequent transferee’s acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares, (x) will not cause participation by Benefit Plan Investors to be “significant” within the meaning of the Plan Asset Regulation and (y) (1) in connection with the acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares, the purchaser’s or subsequent transferee’s fiduciary has determined that such purchaser or subsequent transferee is receiving no less, and paying no more, than “adequate consideration”

(within the meaning of Section 408(b)(17)(B) of ERISA and Section 4975(f)(10) of the Code) and (2) such purchaser's or subsequent transferee's acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code. If the purchaser or the subsequent transferee is a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan that is subject to any Substantially Similar Law, such purchaser or subsequent transferee shall represent and warrant that such purchaser's or subsequent transferee's acquisition, holding and disposition of a Class I Preference Share or a Class II Preference Share will not constitute or result in a non-exempt violation of any such Substantially Similar Law.

In determining whether participation by Benefit Plan Investors is "significant", Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares beneficially held by (1) the Servicer, the Trustee, any of their respective Affiliates, employees of the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates and any charitable foundation of any such employees or (2) persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons, will be disregarded and will not be treated as Outstanding for purposes of whether participation by Benefit Plan Investors is "significant" to the extent that persons listed in (1) or (2) are not Benefit Plan Investors.

The purchaser or the subsequent transferee acknowledges that a transfer of the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares will not be permitted, and no such transfer or exchange will be registered under the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement, to the extent that the transfer or exchange would result in Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such transfer or exchange (determined in accordance with the Plan Asset Regulation and the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement).

If any Person that is the beneficial owner of an interest in a Class I Preference Share or a Class II Preference Share becomes a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder, the Issuer shall, promptly after discovery that such person is a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee (and notice by the Trustee or the Co-Issuer to the Issuer, if either of them makes the discovery), send notice to such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder demanding that such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder transfer its interest to a person that is not a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder within 14 days of the date of such notice. If such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder fails to so transfer its Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares, the Issuer shall have the right, without further notice to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder, to sell (and shall sell if directed to do so by the Servicer) such Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares or interest in such Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares, to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is not a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder on such terms as the Issuer may choose. The Issuer, or the Trustee acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting one or more bids from one or more brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares and selling such Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares to the highest such bidder. However, the Issuer, or the Trustee acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Class I Preference Share or Class II Preference Share, the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder, by its acceptance of an interest in the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares, agrees to cooperate

with the Issuer and the Trustee to effect such transfers. The proceeds of such sale, net of any commissions, expenses and taxes due in connection with such sale shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder. The terms and conditions of any sale under this subsection shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer, and none of the Issuer, the Servicer, or the Trustee shall be liable to any Person having an interest in the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of such discretion (including for the price of such sale).

Each purchaser or transferee of Preference Shares will be required to represent and agree that it will not transfer such Preference Shares in violation of any of the foregoing representations and agreements, that any purported transfer that does not comply with such representations and agreements will be null and void *ab initio* and will vest in the transferee no rights against the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Issuer, and that such purchaser or transferee, as applicable, and any fiduciary or other Person causing it to acquire such Preference Shares shall, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Share Paying Agent, the Servicer, the Share Registrar, the Initial Purchaser and their respective affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of any transfer in violation of any of the foregoing.

(b) The Preference Shares Paying Agent agrees that, after the initial distribution of the Preference Shares, neither it nor any of its affiliates will acquire any Preference Shares (including pursuant to a Maturity Extension or the Amendment Buy-Out Option) unless such acquisition would not, as determined by the Trustee (based upon the information contained in the transfer certificates delivered to it pursuant to this Section 9), result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of any of the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such acquisition (determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA, the Plan Asset Regulation, the Indenture, this Agreement and Annex to the Resolutions). The Preference Shares held by the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any of its affiliates (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% limitation to the extent that such person has represented that it is not a Benefit Plan Investor.

(c) Notwithstanding anything else contained herein to the contrary, neither the Preference Shares Paying Agent nor the Share Registrar shall be responsible for ascertaining whether any purchase or transfer complies with the registration provisions of or exemptions from the Securities Act, applicable state laws, the Code, ERISA, the Plan Asset Regulation or the Investment Company Act; provided that if a certificate or other written representation is specifically required by the express terms of this Agreement or Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions to be delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by the purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine whether the same substantially conforms on its face with the terms of this Agreement or Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions, as applicable, and shall promptly notify the party delivering the same if such certificate does not comply with such terms.

(d) The Issuer shall (and shall cause the Share Registrar to) consult the Preference Shares Paying Agent in connection with all transfers of Preference Shares and shall (and shall cause the Share Registrar to) direct all transferors and transferees to correspond through the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Share Registrar will not be required to determine whether any proposed transfer, redemption or other transaction in relation to the Preference Shares complies with any restrictions imposed by law or under the terms of the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents but shall be entitled to rely completely in that respect on the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

(e) Each purchaser and each subsequent transferee of Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares that (i) is not a "United States person" (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) and (ii) is acquiring, directly or in conjunction with persons acting on its behalf, more than 33 1/3% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares will make a representation to the effect that it is not an Affected Bank.

(f) Except as expressly provided herein or as required by this Agreement in connection with the Preference Shares Paying Agent's obligations to the Holders of Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no obligation to oversee or participate in any such transfer of Preference Shares.

Section 10. Fees and Indemnification. The Issuer agrees to pay, and the Preference Share Paying Agent shall be entitled to receive compensation for, and reimbursement for expenses in connection with, the Preference Share Paying Agent's performance of the duties called for herein; *provided* that such amounts will be payable solely from the Collateral and pursuant to the Priority of Payments set forth in Section 11.1 of the Indenture. The fees payable hereunder shall be paid by the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent's account as directed by the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Issuer will indemnify the Preference Shares Paying Agent and its officers, directors, employees and agents, against any loss, liability or expense (including reasonable legal fees and out-of-pocket expenses of counsel) incurred in connection with their appointment and duties hereunder, except such as result from their own gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Preference Shares Paying Agent agrees that such fees and indemnification shall be treated as an Administrative Expense of the Issuer as defined in the Indenture and paid pursuant to the Priority of Payments. Anything in this Agreement notwithstanding, in no event shall the Preference Shares Paying Agent be liable for special, indirect or consequential losses or damages of any kind whatsoever (including but not limited to loss of profits), even if the Preference Shares Paying Agent has been advised of such loss or damage and regardless of the form of action. The obligation of the Issuer to indemnify the Preference Shares Paying Agent under this Section 10 shall survive retirement of the Preference Shares and any resignation or removal of the Preference Shares Paying Agent but shall remain subject to the provisions of Section 23.

Section 11. Liabilities. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be responsible or accountable to anyone for any reason whatsoever with respect to the validity of this Agreement or of the Preference Shares, or for any act done or omitted by it in good faith, or for anything whatsoever in connection with this Agreement, except for its own gross negligence,

bad faith or willful misconduct in the performance of any duty to be performed by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder.

(b) The Preference Shares Paying Agent may consult as to legal matters with lawyers selected with due care by it, who may be employees of or regular independent counsel to the Issuer, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be protected from and shall incur no liability for action taken, or suffered to be taken, with respect to such matters in good faith and in accordance with the opinion or advice of such lawyers.

(c) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be protected from and shall incur no liability for or in respect of any action taken or thing suffered by it in reliance upon any Preference Shares, notice, direction, consent, certificate, affidavit, statement or other paper or document reasonably believed by it to be genuine and to have been delivered or signed by the proper parties, except as may result from its own gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct or that of its directors, officers, employees or agents.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be under any liability for interest on any money at any time received by it pursuant to any of the provisions of this Agreement, except as otherwise agreed in writing with the Issuer.

(e) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not incur any liability with respect to the validity or value of any of the Preference Shares unless otherwise specified herein.

Section 12. Conflicts. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent and its officers, directors and employees may, subject to the restrictions set forth in Section 9, become the Holder of, or acquire any interest in, any Preference Shares, with the same rights that it or they would have if it were not the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder, or they were not such officers, directors, or employees, and may engage or be interested in any fiscal or other transaction with the Issuer and may act on, or as depository, trustee or agent for, any committee or body of Holders of Preference Shares or other indebtedness of the Issuer as freely as if it were not the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder or they were not such officers, directors, or employees.

(b) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be obliged to perform such duties and only such duties as are specifically set forth herein, and no implied duties or obligations shall be read into this Agreement or the Indenture against the Preference Shares Paying Agent. Except for Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions (to the extent they do not contradict this Agreement), the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no duties under Annex A to the Resolutions. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be under any obligation to take any action hereunder that may tend to involve it in any expenses or liability, the payment of which within a reasonable time is not, in its reasonable opinion, assured to it. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be accountable or under any duty or responsibility in case of any default of which the Preference Shares Paying Agent has knowledge by the Issuer in the performance of its obligations contained in the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association and Annex A to the Resolutions (including, without limitation, any duty or responsibility to initiate or attempt to initiate any proceedings at law or otherwise or to make any demand for payment upon the Issuer).

(c) In acting under this Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agent is acting solely as agent of the Issuer and does not assume any obligations to, or relationship of agency or trust for or with any of the owners or Holders of the Preference Shares. All funds held by the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment on the Preference Shares shall be held in trust for the Issuer, until paid.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, as between itself and the Holders of the Preference Shares, with respect to all the obligations, powers, authorities and discretions, vested in it hereunder and under the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association and the Resolutions, have absolute and uncontrolled discretion as to the exercise thereof whether in relation to the manner or as to the mode of and time for the exercise thereof and, in the absence of gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct on its part or that of its officers, directors or employees shall be in no way responsible for any loss, costs, damages or inconvenience that may result from the exercise or non-exercise thereof.

Section 13. Amendment. (a) This Agreement may be amended by the parties hereto, without the consent of the Holders of any Preference Shares, for the purpose of curing any ambiguity, or of curing, correcting or supplementing any defective provision contained herein, or in regard to matters or questions arising under this Agreement as the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem necessary or desirable and which shall not materially adversely affect the interests of Holders of the Preference Shares. In addition, this Agreement may be amended without the consent of any Holders of the Preference Shares and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Preference Shares in order to prevent the Issuer from becoming an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); provided that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such amendment, each of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer shall have received a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such amendment, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

(b) Unless otherwise as set forth in subsection (a) above, this Agreement may be amended with the consent of Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares materially and adversely affected thereby.

(c) Any amendment to this Agreement must be in writing executed by each party hereto.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to its duties and obligations herein) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an opinion of counsel, consent or certificate of the Issuer in determining whether or not any proposed amendment is permitted hereunder.

(e) Any amendment to this Agreement that would necessitate a change to the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association may only be made after a Special Resolution (as therein defined) has been passed to permit the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association to be altered to conform with such proposed amendment.

Section 14. Resignation or Removal of the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Preference Shares Paying Agent may at any time resign as the Preference Shares Paying Agent, by giving written notice to the Issuer of its resignation, specifying the date on which its resignation shall become effective (which date shall not be less than 60 days after the date on which such notice is given unless the Issuer shall agree to a shorter period). The Issuer may remove the Preference Shares Paying Agent at any time by giving written notice of not less than 60 days to the Preference Shares Paying Agent specifying the date on which such removal shall become effective. Such resignation or removal shall only take effect upon the appointment by the Issuer of a successor Preference Shares Paying Agent and upon the acceptance of such appointment by such successor Preference Shares Paying Agent; provided, however, that if the successor Preference Shares Paying Agent has not been appointed within 60 days after such notice of resignation or removal, then the Preference Shares Paying Agent, or any Holder of Preference Shares, may, on behalf of himself and others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Preference Shares Paying Agent; provided, further, that after the retirement of the Notes, if the Issuer determines that no material distributions will be paid on the Preference Shares, the Issuer may remove the Preference Shares Paying Agent at any time, by giving written notice of not less than 10 days, and assume the duties of the Preference Shares Paying Agent itself.

Section 15. Assignment. No party hereto may assign or novate any of its rights or obligations hereunder except with the prior written consent of all the parties hereto.

Section 16. Merger, Conversion, Consolidation or Succession to Business of Preference Shares Paying Agent. Any entity into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any entity resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Preference Shares Paying Agent is a party, or any entity succeeding to all or substantially all of the corporate trust business of the Preference Shares Paying Agent, shall be the successor of the Preference Shares Paying Agent under this Agreement without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto.

Section 17. Reports and Notices. The Issuer hereby authorizes the Preference Shares Paying Agent to deliver or request the Trustee to deliver all Monthly Reports and Valuation Reports (each a "Report" and, collectively, "Reports") prepared pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver, or shall cause the Trustee to deliver, a copy of any such Report to such Holders within two Business Days of receipt of any such Report. In addition, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver, or shall cause the Trustee to deliver, a copy of any other notice or information that it has received from the Trustee under the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares within two Business Days of receipt of such notice and information. Any notices or information to be delivered by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to this Agreement shall be delivered, in each case, (i) by first-class mail, postage

prepaid, to each Holder of a Preference Share at the address appearing in the share register of the Issuer or (ii) with respect to delivery of the Reports, by making such Reports available via its password-protected internet website, initially located at <http://www.cdocalc.com/ibt/cdo/>. All information made available on the Preference Shares Paying Agent's website shall be restricted and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall only provide access to such reports to those parties entitled thereto pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. In connection with providing access to its website, the Preference Shares Paying Agent may require registration and the acceptance of a disclaimer. Questions regarding the Preference Shares Paying Agent's website may be directed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent's customer service desk at (617) 937-4175.

Section 18. Notices. (a) All communications by or on behalf of the Issuer relating to the transfer or payment of Preference Shares or any interest therein shall be directed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent at its address set forth in clause (b)(ii) below. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall mail any notice it receives from the Trustee (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) to the Holders of the Preference Shares on the Business Day it receives such notice.

Where this Agreement provides for notice to Holders of the Preference Shares of any event, such notice shall be sufficiently given (unless otherwise herein expressly provided) if such notice is in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, to each Holder of the Preference Shares affected by such event, at such Holder's address as it appears on the share register of the Issuer, not later than the latest date, and not earlier than the earliest date, prescribed for the giving of such notice.

Neither the failure to mail such notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Holder of Preference Shares shall affect the sufficiency of such notice with respect to other Holders. Any notice that is given in the manner herein provided shall conclusively be presumed to have been duly given whether or not actually received by such Holder. Any notice to Holders of the Preference Shares provided for in this Agreement will be deemed to have been given on the date of mailing.

Where this Agreement provides for notice in any manner, such notice may be waived in writing by any Person entitled to receive such notice, either before or after the event, and such waiver shall be the equivalent of such notice.

In the event that, by reason of the suspension of the regular mail service as a result of a strike, work stoppage or similar activity, it shall be impractical to mail notice of any event to Holders of the Preference Shares when such notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this Agreement, then any manner of giving such notice as shall be satisfactory to the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be deemed to be a sufficient giving of such notice.

(b) Notices and other communications hereunder shall (except to the extent otherwise expressly provided) be in writing and shall be addressed as follows, or to such other addresses as the parties hereto shall specify from time to time:



- (i) if to the Issuer:

Aberdeen Loan Funding, Ltd.  
c/o Walkers SPV Limited  
Walker House  
87 Mary Street  
George Town, Grand Cayman  
Cayman Islands, KY1-9002  
Fax: (345) 949-4757  
Attention: The Directors- Aberdeen Loan Funding,  
Ltd.

- (ii) if to the Preference Shares Paying Agent:

State Street Bank and Trust Company  
200 Clarendon Street  
Mail Code: EUC 108  
Boston, MA 02116  
Fax: (617) 937-0517  
Attention: CDO Services Group—Aberdeen Loan  
Funding, Ltd.

Section 19. Covenants of the Issuer. The Issuer shall not take any action under this Agreement or the Indenture that requires the authorization, direction or consent from the Holders of the Preference Shares without obtaining such authorization, direction or consent from the Holders of the Preference Shares. It shall be the responsibility of the Issuer to satisfy the Preference Shares Paying Agent as to the compliance with the foregoing condition (on which the Preference Shares Paying Agent may rely on in good faith).

Section 20. Transfer of Issuer Ordinary Shares. For so long as any of the Preference Shares are Outstanding, the Issuer shall not agree to the transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares to U.S. Persons (as defined in the Code), and shall not transfer any such Issuer Ordinary Shares to any Person other than a Person which is a resident of the Cayman Islands.

Section 21. Certain Tax Matters. (a) On demand of the Issuer, a Holder or beneficial owner of Preference Shares shall notify the Issuer whether or not the Holder or beneficial owner of such Preference Shares is a United States person within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code and the name and status of such Holder or beneficial owner as an individual, partnership, corporation, or other entity and such other information as the Issuer shall reasonably request for purposes of tax reporting of the Issuer or other Holders of the Preference Shares.

(b) If the Issuer is aware that it has purchased an interest in a “reportable transaction” within the meaning of Section 6011 of the Code because, after the Closing Date, the Issuer entered into a transaction whereby the Issuer recognized a significant loss or otherwise, and a Holder of the Preference Shares requests information about any such transactions in which the Issuer is a purchaser, the Issuer shall provide such information it has reasonably available as soon as practicable after such request.

(c) The Issuer shall provide or cause to be provided to each Holder or beneficial owner of the Preference Shares (or its designee), upon written request therefor, any information that such Holder or beneficial owner reasonably requests to assist such Holder or beneficial owner with regard to its or its equity owners' U.S. federal income tax filing requirements.

(d) Each Holder and beneficial owner of the Preference Shares agrees to treat the Preference Shares as equity of the Issuer and the Notes as debt of the Issuer for U.S. federal, state and local income tax purposes, if applicable.

(e) The Issuer will not make an election to be treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and will take all necessary actions to maintain its status as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

(f) Within 90 days after December 31 of each calendar year, the Issuer shall (or shall cause its Independent accountants to) provide to each Holder of Preference Shares (i) all information that a U.S. shareholder making a "qualified electing fund" election (as defined in the Code) is required to obtain for U.S. federal income tax purposes and (ii) a "PFIC Annual Information Statement" as described in Treasury Regulation section 1.1295-1 (or any successor Treasury Regulation), including all representations and statements required by such statement, and will take any other reasonable steps necessary to facilitate such election by, and any reporting requirements of, a holder of Preference Shares. Upon request by the Independent accountants, the Share Registrar shall provide to the Independent accountants information contained in the share register of the Issuer and requested by the Independent accountants to comply with this Section 21(f).

(g) The Issuer will provide, upon request of a Holder of Preference Shares, any information that such Holder reasonably requests to assist such Holder with regard to any filing requirements the Holder may have as a result of the controlled foreign corporation rules under the Code.

(h) The Issuer shall treat each purchase of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments as a "purchase" for tax, accounting and reporting purposes.

(i) The Issuer shall file, or cause to be filed, any tax returns, including information tax returns, required by any governmental authority; provided, however, that the Issuer shall not file, or cause to be filed, any income or franchise tax return in the United States or any state thereof except with respect to a return required by a tax imposed under Section 881 of the Code unless it shall have obtained a Tax Opinion of Counsel prior to such filing that, under the laws of such jurisdiction, the Issuer is required to file such income or franchise tax return.

(j) The Issuer shall not conduct its business in contravention of Annex 1 to the Servicing Agreement.

(k) Notwithstanding any contrary agreement or understanding, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Holders' of the Preference Shares (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) are hereby permitted to

disclose to any and all Persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement (including the ownership and disposition of the Preference Shares) and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to them relating to such tax treatment and tax structure. For this purpose, the tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction, and the tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction.

(l) Each Holder of Preference Shares, by acceptance of its Preference Shares, shall be deemed to understand and acknowledge that failure to provide the Issuer, the Trustee or the Preference Shares Paying Agent with the applicable U.S. federal income tax certifications (generally, a United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 (or successor applicable form) in the case of a person that is a “United States person” within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code or an appropriate United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 (or successor applicable form) in the case of a person that is not a “United States person” within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) may result in U.S. federal back-up withholding from payments in respect of such Preference Shares.

Section 22. Minimum Lots. Preference Shares must be held in minimum lots of 100 Preference Shares per investor and integral multiples of one Preference Share in excess thereof.

Section 23. Limited Recourse; No Petition. The Preference Shares Paying Agent hereby acknowledges and agrees that the Issuer’s obligations hereunder will be solely the corporate obligations of the Issuer, and that the Preference Shares Paying Agent will not have any recourse to any of the directors, officers, employees, shareholders or Affiliates of the Issuer with respect to any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations in connection with any transactions contemplated hereby. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, recourse in respect of any obligations of the Issuer hereunder will be limited to the proceeds of the Collateral, paid pursuant to the Priority of Payments and on the exhaustion thereof all obligations of and all claims against the Issuer arising from this Agreement or any transactions contemplated hereby shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. The Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar, by entering into this Agreement and each Holder of Preference Shares by its acceptance of Preference Shares, hereby covenants and agrees that it will not, prior to the date which is one year and one day (or, if longer, the applicable preference period) after the payment in full of all amounts owing under the Indenture and this Agreement, institute against the Issuer, or voluntarily join in any institution against the Issuer of, any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency or liquidation proceedings, or other proceedings under any United States federal or state bankruptcy or similar law of any jurisdiction within or without the United States in connection with any obligations relating to the Preference Shares or this Agreement. The provisions of this Section 23 shall survive termination of this Agreement for any reason whatsoever.

Section 24. Legal. (a) GOVERNING LAW. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

(b) WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL. EACH OF THE ISSUER AND THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY AND ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, THE PREFERENCE SHARES OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY.

(c) Service of Process. The Issuer irrevocably appoints CT Corporation System (the "Process Agent") c/o CT Corporation System, located at 111 Eighth Avenue, 13<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10011, to receive, for it and on its behalf, service of process in any suit, action or proceeding relating to this Agreement. If for any reason the Process Agent is unable to act as such, the Issuer shall promptly notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent and within 30 days appoint a substitute process agent acceptable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

Section 25. Signatures. This Agreement may be signed in two or more counterparts with the same effect as if the signatures thereto and hereto were upon the same instrument. A facsimile signature shall be considered due execution and shall be binding upon the signatory thereto with the same force and effect as if the signature were an original.

Section 26. Voting. The Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares will be identical in all respects except that the Class II Preference Shares will also be entitled, subject to any restrictions under Cayman Islands law, to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments and will have voting rights with respect to the directors of the Issuer as set forth in the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association. Unless otherwise specified herein or in the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association, Holders of Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares shall vote together as a single class.

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Please indicate your acceptance of this appointment and the terms of this Agreement by signing and returning the enclosed copy of this Agreement. The Issuer by signing this Agreement confirms its agreement to the terms stated herein.

Very truly yours,

**ABERDEEN LOAN FUNDING, LTD.,**  
as Issuer


By: 

Name: John Cullinane

Title: Director

Accepted and agreed to on this 27 day of March, 2008.

**STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY,**  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent

By:   
Name: **Brian Peterson**  
Title: **Vice President**

Accepted and agreed to on this 27 day of March, 2008.

**WALKERS SPV LIMITED**

By: 

Name

**John Cullinane**

Title:

Director

## SCHEDULE I

### Notice of Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Holder

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

Attention: \_\_\_\_\_

Copy:

Aberdeen Loan Funding, Ltd.  
c/o Walkers SPV Limited  
Walker House  
87 Mary Street  
George Town, Grand Cayman, KY1-9002  
Cayman Islands  
Attention: The Directors

Re: Aberdeen Loan Funding, Ltd.  
Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of Interest Proceeds

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This letter is to inform you that Highland Capital Management, L.P., in its capacity as servicer (the "Servicer") with respect to that certain servicing agreement, dated as of March 27, 2008, by and between Aberdeen Loan Funding, Ltd. (the "Issuer") and the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, would like to distribute Eligible Equity Securities on the Payment Date of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ to the Holders of the Preference Shares in lieu of the Interest Proceeds, in whole or in part, that are otherwise due and payable to such Holders on such Payment Date. Such Eligible Equity Securities will be distributed in accordance with Sections 2(e) and 3(b) of that certain paying agency agreement, dated as of March 27, 2008 (the "Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement"), by and among the Issuer, State Street Bank and Trust Company, in its capacity as preference shares paying agent (the "Preference Shares Paying Agent") and Section 11.1(a)(i) of that certain indenture, dated as of March 27, 2008, by and among the Issuer, Aberdeen Loan Funding Corp. and State Street Bank and Trust Company, in its capacity as



trustee (the "Trustee"). Any capitalized terms used without definition herein are used with the meanings assigned to such terms in the Indenture.

Details with respect to the proposed distribution of such Eligible Equity Securities are attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Each Holder of the Preference Shares wishing to receive such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder (each such Holder, a "Consenting Holder") must deliver the consent notice attached hereto as Exhibit B (the "Consent Notice") to the Preference Shares Paying Agent not later than five Business Days prior to such Payment Date. Each Consenting Holder must indicate in the Consent Notice the portion of Preference Shares held by such Holder for which such Holder wishes to receive a distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of Interest Proceeds. Any Consent Notice that is not delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in the manner set forth herein shall be deemed to have not been delivered.

Please contact [ ] (*insert e-mail address*) at [( ) \_\_-\_\_ ] with any questions.

Sincerely,

State Street Bank and Trust Company,  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent

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

**EXHIBIT A**

**ELIGIBLE EQUITY SECURITIES DISTRIBUTION**

## CONSENT NOTICE

The undersigned hereby consents to a distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of the Interest Proceeds due and payable as dividends with respect to \_\_\_\_\_ of the Preference Shares held by the undersigned on the Payment Date of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Holder

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Authorized Signatory

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Authorized Signatory

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Title of Authorized Signatory

## **EXHIBIT J**

**EXECUTION COPY**

**SERVICING AGREEMENT**

This Servicing Agreement, dated as of March 27, 2008 is entered into by and among ABERDEEN LOAN FUNDING, LTD., an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands, with its registered office located at Walker House, 87 Mary Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, KY1-9002, Cayman Islands (together with successors and assigns permitted hereunder, the “Issuer”), and HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, with its principal offices located at Two Galleria Tower, 13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300, Dallas, Texas 75240, as servicer (“Highland” or, in such capacity, the “Servicer”).

**WITNESSETH:**

WHEREAS, the Issuer and ABERDEEN LOAN FUNDING CORP. (the “Co-Issuer” and together with the Issuer, the “Co-Issuers”) intend to issue U.S.\$376,000,000 of their Class A Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2018 (the “Class A Notes”), U.S.\$29,500,000 of their Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2018 (the “Class B Notes”), U.S.\$25,250,000 of their Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due 2018 (the “Class C Notes”), U.S.\$19,250,000 of their Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due 2018 (the “Class D Notes”), and the Issuer intends to issue U.S.\$17,250,000 of its Class E Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due 2018 (the “Class E Notes” and together with the Class A Notes, Class B Notes, Class C Notes and Class D Notes, the “Notes”) pursuant to the Indenture dated as of March 27, 2008 (the “Indenture”), among the Co-Issuers and State Street Bank and Trust Company, as trustee (the “Trustee”) and the Issuer intends to issue 12,000 Class I Preference Shares, \$0.01 par value (the “Class I Preference Shares”) and 36,000 Class II Preference Shares, \$0.01 par value (the “Class II Preference Shares” and, together with the Class I Preference Shares, the “Preference Shares” and, together with the Notes, the “Securities”) pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement dated as of March 27, 2008 (the “Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement”) between the Issuer and State Street Bank and Trust Company, as the Preference Shares Paying Agent, and pursuant to the Issuer’s amended and restated memorandum and articles of association (the “Memorandum and Articles of Association”) and certain resolutions of the board of directors of the Issuer;

WHEREAS, the Issuer intends to pledge certain Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments and Cash (all as defined in the Indenture) and certain other assets (all as set forth in the Indenture) (collectively, the “Collateral”) to the Trustee as security for the Notes;

WHEREAS, the Issuer wishes to enter into this Servicing Agreement, pursuant to which the Servicer agrees to perform, on behalf of the Issuer, certain duties with respect to the Collateral in the manner and on the terms set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the Servicer has the capacity to provide the services required hereby and in the applicable provisions of the other Transaction Documents and is prepared to perform such services upon the terms and conditions set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements herein set forth, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Definitions.

Terms used herein and not defined below shall have the meanings set forth in the Indenture.

“Agreement” shall mean this Servicing Agreement, as amended from time to time.

“Governing Instruments” shall mean the memorandum, articles or certificate of incorporation or association and by-laws, if applicable, in the case of a corporation; the certificate of formation, if applicable, or the partnership agreement, in the case of a partnership; or the certificate of formation, if applicable, or the limited liability company agreement, in the case of a limited liability company.

“HFP” shall mean Highland Financial Partners, L.P. (which includes, for the avoidance of doubt, any subsidiary thereof).

“Offering Memorandum” shall mean the Offering Memorandum of the Issuer dated March 27, 2008 prepared in connection with the offering of the Securities.

“Servicer Breaches” shall have the meaning specified in Section 10(a).

“Servicing Fee” shall mean, collectively, the Senior Servicing Fee, the Subordinated Servicing Fee and the Supplemental Servicing Fee.

“Transaction Documents” shall mean the Indenture, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Servicing Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement.

2. General Duties of the Servicer.

(a) The Servicer shall provide services to the Issuer as follows:

(i) Subject to and in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents, the Servicer shall supervise and direct the administration, acquisition and disposition of the Collateral, and shall perform on behalf of the Issuer those duties and obligations of the Servicer required by the Indenture and the other Transaction Documents, and including the furnishing of Issuer Orders, Issuer Requests and officer’s certificates, and such certifications as are required of the Servicer under the Indenture with respect to permitted purchases and sales of the Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments and other assets, and other matters, and, to the extent necessary or appropriate to perform such duties, the Servicer shall have the power to execute and deliver all necessary and appropriate documents and instruments on behalf of the Issuer with respect thereto. The Servicer shall, subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents, perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder with reasonable care, using a degree of skill and attention no less than that which the Servicer exercises with respect to comparable assets that it services or manages for others having similar objectives and restrictions, and in a manner consistent with practices and procedures followed by institutional servicers or managers of national standing relating to assets of the nature and character of the Collateral for clients having

similar objectives and restrictions, except as expressly provided otherwise in this Agreement and/or the other Transaction Documents. To the extent not inconsistent with the foregoing, the Servicer shall follow its customary standards, policies and procedures in performing its duties under the Indenture and hereunder. The Servicer shall comply with all terms and conditions of the other Transaction Documents affecting the duties and functions to be performed hereunder. The Servicer shall not be bound to follow any amendment to any Transaction Document until it has received written notice thereof and until it has received a copy of the amendment from the Issuer or the Trustee; provided, however, that the Servicer shall not be bound by any amendment to any Transaction Document that affects the rights, powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer unless the Servicer shall have consented thereto in writing. The Issuer agrees that it shall not permit any amendment to the Indenture that (x) affects the rights, powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer or (y) affects the amount or priority of any fees payable to the Servicer to become effective unless the Servicer has been given prior written notice of such amendment and consented thereto in writing;

(ii) the Servicer shall select any Collateral which shall be acquired by the Issuer pursuant to the Indenture in accordance with the Collateral criteria set forth herein and in the Indenture;

(iii) the Servicer shall monitor the Collateral on an ongoing basis and provide to the Issuer all reports, certificates, schedules and other data with respect to the Collateral which the Issuer is required to prepare and deliver under the Indenture, in the form and containing all information required thereby and in reasonable time for the Issuer to review such required reports, certificates, schedules and data and to deliver them to the parties entitled thereto under the Indenture;

(iv) the Servicer shall undertake to determine to the extent reasonably practicable whether a Collateral Obligation has become a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;

(v) the Servicer, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture may, at any time permitted under the Indenture, and shall, when required by the Indenture, direct the Trustee (x) to dispose of a Collateral Obligation, Equity Security or Eligible Investment or other securities received in respect thereof in the open market or otherwise, (y) to acquire, as security for the Notes in substitution for or in addition to any one or more Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments included in the Collateral, one or more substitute Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments, or (z) direct the Trustee to take the following actions with respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment:

- (1) retain such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment;
- or
- (2) dispose of such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment in the open market or otherwise; or
- (3) if applicable, tender such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment pursuant to an Offer; or

(4) if applicable, consent to any proposed amendment, modification or waiver pursuant to an Offer; or

(5) retain or dispose of any securities or other property (if other than cash) received pursuant to an Offer; or

(6) waive any default with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or

(7) vote to accelerate the maturity of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or

(8) exercise any other rights or remedies with respect to such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment as provided in the related Underlying Instruments, including in connection with any workout situations, or take any other action consistent with the terms of the Indenture which is in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities; and

(vi) the Servicer shall (a) on or prior to any day which is a Redemption Date, direct the Trustee to enter into contracts to dispose of the Collateral Obligation and any other Collateral pursuant to the Indenture and otherwise comply with all redemption procedures and certification requirements in the Indenture in order to allow the Trustee to effect such redemption and (b) conduct auctions in accordance with the terms of the Indenture.

(b) In performing its duties hereunder, the Servicer shall seek to preserve the value of the Collateral for the benefit of the Holders of the Securities taking into account the Collateral criteria and limitations set forth herein and in the Indenture and the Servicer shall use reasonable efforts to select and service the Collateral in such a way that will permit a timely performance of all payment obligations by the Issuer under the Indenture; provided, that the Servicer shall not be responsible if such objectives are not achieved so long as the Servicer performs its duties under this Agreement in the manner provided for herein, and provided, further, that there shall be no recourse to the Servicer with respect to the Notes or the Preference Shares. The Servicer and the Issuer shall take such other action, and furnish such certificates, opinions and other documents, as may be reasonably requested by the other party hereto in order to effectuate the purposes of this Agreement and to facilitate compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the terms of this Agreement.

(c) The Servicer hereby agrees to the following:

(i) The Servicer agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer until the payment in full of all Notes issued under the Indenture and the payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent of all amounts payable with respect to the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the expiration of a period equal to the greater of (A) the applicable preference period plus one day or (B) one year and one day following the payment. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Servicer may commence any legal action that is not a bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation or similar proceeding against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any of their properties and may take any action it deems appropriate at any time in any bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation or similar proceeding and any other Proceeding voluntarily commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or involuntarily commenced against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by anyone other than the Servicer or any



Affiliate of the Servicer. The provisions of this Section 2(c)(i) shall survive termination of this Agreement.

(ii) The Servicer shall cause each sale or purchase of any Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment to be conducted on an arm's-length basis.

(d) The Servicer shall not act for the Issuer in any capacity except as provided in this Section 2. In providing services hereunder, the Servicer may employ third parties, including its Affiliates, to render advice (including advice with respect to the servicing of the Collateral) and assistance; provided, however, that the Servicer shall not be relieved of any of its duties or liabilities hereunder regardless of the performance of any services by third parties. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Servicer shall not be required to take any action required of it pursuant to this Agreement or the Indenture if such action would constitute a violation of any law.

(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement or the Indenture, (i) any granted signatory powers or authority granted to the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer with respect to the Special Procedures Obligations (as defined in Annex 1) shall be conditioned upon the prior written approval of the Independent Advisor (as defined in Annex 1) and (ii) neither the Servicer nor any Affiliate of the Servicer shall have any authority to enter into agreements, or take any action, on behalf of the Issuer with respect to the Special Procedures Obligations without the prior written approval of the Independent Advisor.

### 3. Brokerage.

The Servicer shall seek to obtain the best prices and execution for all orders placed with respect to the Collateral, considering all reasonable circumstances. Subject to the objective of obtaining best prices and execution, the Servicer may take into consideration research and other brokerage services furnished to the Servicer or its Affiliates by brokers and dealers which are not Affiliates of the Servicer. Such services may be used by the Servicer or its Affiliates in connection with its other servicing or advisory activities or operations. The Servicer may aggregate sales and purchase orders of securities placed with respect to the Collateral with similar orders being made simultaneously for other accounts serviced or managed by the Servicer or with accounts of the Affiliates of the Servicer, if in the Servicer's reasonable judgment such aggregation shall result in an overall economic benefit to the Issuer, taking into consideration the advantageous selling or purchase price, brokerage commission and other expenses. In the event that a sale or purchase of a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment (in accordance with the terms of the Indenture) occurs as part of any aggregate sales or purchase orders, the objective of the Servicer (and any of its Affiliates involved in such transactions) shall be to allocate the executions among the accounts in an equitable manner and consistent with its obligations hereunder and under applicable law.

In addition to the foregoing and subject to the provisions of Section 2 and the limitations of Section 5, the objective of obtaining best prices and execution and to the extent permitted by applicable law, the Servicer may, on behalf of the Issuer, direct the Trustee to acquire any and all of the Eligible Investments or other Collateral from, or sell Collateral Obligations or other Collateral to, the Initial Purchaser, the Trustee or any of their respective Affiliates, or any other firm.

4. Additional Activities of the Servicer.

Nothing herein shall prevent the Servicer or any of its Affiliates from engaging in other businesses, or from rendering services of any kind to the Trustee, the Holders of the Securities, or any other Person or entity to the extent permitted by applicable law. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, the Servicer and partners, directors, officers, employees and agents of the Servicer or its Affiliates may, among other things, and subject to any limits specified in the Indenture:

(a) serve as directors (whether supervisory or managing), officers, partners, employees, agents, nominees or signatories for any issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates, to the extent permitted by their Governing Instruments, as from time to time amended, or by any resolutions duly adopted by the Issuer, its Affiliates or any issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates, pursuant to their respective Governing Instruments; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on the enforceability of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Overcollateralization Ratio and each Interest Coverage Test; provided, further, that nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to limit the duties of the Servicer set forth in Section 2 hereof;

(b) receive fees for services of any nature rendered to the issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on the enforceability of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Coverage Test; and provided, further, that if any portion of such services are related to the purchase by the Issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral, the portion of such fees relating to such obligations shall be applied to the purchase price of such obligations; and

(c) be a secured or unsecured creditor of, or hold an equity interest in, the Issuer, its Affiliates or any issuer of any obligation included in the Collateral; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on the enforceability of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Coverage Test; provided, further, that nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to limit the duties of the Servicer set forth in Section 2 hereof.

It is understood that the Servicer and any of its Affiliates may engage in any other business and furnish servicing, investment management and advisory services to others, including Persons which may have policies similar to those followed by the Servicer with respect to the Collateral and which may own securities of the same class, or which are the same type, as the Collateral Obligations or other securities of the issuers of Collateral Obligations. The Servicer shall be free, in its sole discretion, to make recommendations to others, or effect transactions on behalf of itself or for others, which may be the same as or different from those effected with respect to the Collateral.

Unless the Servicer determines in its reasonable judgment that such purchase or sale is appropriate, the Servicer may refrain from directing the purchase or sale hereunder of securities issued by (i) Persons of which the Servicer, its Affiliates or any of its or their officers, directors or employees are directors or officers, (ii) Persons for which the Servicer or its Affiliates act as financial adviser or underwriter or (iii) Persons about which the Servicer or any of its Affiliates have information which the Servicer deems confidential or non-public or otherwise might prohibit it from trading such securities in accordance with applicable law. The Servicer shall not be obligated to have or pursue any particular strategy or opportunity with respect to the Collateral.

5. Conflicts of Interest.

(a) The Servicer shall not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Servicer such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the United States Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended.

(b) The Servicer shall not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the United States Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended.

(c) In addition, the Servicer shall not undertake any transaction described in this Section 5 unless such transaction is exempt from the prohibited transaction rules of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code.

6. Records; Confidentiality.

The Servicer shall maintain appropriate books of account and records relating to services performed hereunder, and such books of account and records shall be accessible for inspection by a representative of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Holders of the Securities and the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to the Indenture at a mutually agreed time during normal business hours and upon not less than three Business Days' prior notice. At no time shall the Servicer make a public announcement concerning the issuance of the Notes or the Preference Shares, the Servicer's role hereunder or any other aspect of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents. The Servicer shall keep confidential any and all information obtained in connection with the services rendered hereunder and shall not disclose any such information to non-affiliated third parties except (i) with the prior written consent of the Issuer, (ii) such information as either Rating Agency shall reasonably request in connection with the rating of any Class of Securities, (iii) as required by law, regulation, court order or the rules or regulations of any self regulating organization, body or official having jurisdiction over the Servicer, (iv) to its professional advisers, (v) such information as shall have been publicly disclosed other than in violation of this Agreement, or (vi) such information that was or is obtained by the Servicer on a non-confidential basis; provided, that the Servicer does not know or have reason to know of any breach by such source of any confidentiality obligations with respect thereto. For purposes of this Section 6, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator and the Holders of the Securities shall in no event be considered "non-affiliated third parties."

Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement or the Indenture to the contrary, the Servicer, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Holders of the Securities (and the beneficial owners thereof) (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) may disclose to any and all Persons, without limitation of any kind, the U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to them relating to such U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure, as such terms are defined under U.S. federal, state or local tax law.

7. Obligations of Servicer.

Unless otherwise specifically required by any provision of the Indenture or this Agreement or by applicable law, the Servicer shall use its best reasonable efforts to ensure that no action is taken by it, and shall not intentionally or with reckless disregard take any action, which would (a) materially adversely affect the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for purposes of Cayman Islands law, United States federal or state law or any other law known to the Servicer to be applicable to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, (b) not be permitted under the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association or the Co-Issuer's Certificate of Incorporation or By-Laws, (c) violate any law, rule or regulation of any governmental body or agency having jurisdiction over the Issuer or the Co-Issuer including, without limitation, any Cayman Islands or United States federal, state or other applicable securities law the violation of which has or could reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any of the Collateral, (d) require registration of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the pool of Collateral as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act, (e) cause the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to violate the terms of the Indenture, including, without limitation, any representations made by the Issuer or Co-Issuer therein, or any other agreement contemplated by the Indenture or (f) not be permitted by Annex 1 hereto and would subject the Issuer to U.S. federal or state income or franchise taxation or cause the Issuer to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The Servicer covenants that it shall comply in all material respects with all laws and regulations applicable to it in connection with the performance of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, the Servicer shall not be required to take any action under this Agreement or the Indenture if such action would violate any applicable law, rule, regulation or court order.

8. Compensation.

(a) The Issuer shall pay to the Servicer, for services rendered and performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Servicing Fee, which shall be payable in such amounts and at such times as set forth in the Indenture. The provisions of the Indenture which relate to the amount and payment of the Servicing Fee shall not be amended without the written consent of the Servicer. If on any Payment Date there are insufficient funds to pay the Servicing Fee (and/or any other amounts due and payable to the Servicer) in full, the amount not so paid shall be deferred and shall be payable on such later Payment Date on which funds are available therefor as provided in the Indenture.

With respect to any Payment Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion (or all) of its Servicing Fees then due and payable. All waived amounts will be paid to the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments pursuant to the Indenture. For purposes of any calculation under this Agreement and the Indenture, the Servicer shall be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

In addition, notwithstanding anything set out above, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion waive all or any portion of the Subordinated Servicing Fee or Supplemental Servicing Fee, any funds representing the waived Subordinated Servicing Fees and Supplemental Servicing Fees to be retained in the Collection Account for distribution as either Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds (as determined by the Servicer) pursuant to the Priority of Payments.

(b) The Servicer shall be responsible for the ordinary expenses incurred in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Indenture and the other Transaction Documents; provided, however, that any extraordinary expenses incurred by the Servicer in the

performance of such obligations (including, but not limited to, any fees, expenses or other amounts payable to the Rating Agencies, the Collateral Administrator, the Trustee and the accountants appointed by the Issuer, the reasonable expenses incurred by the Servicer to employ outside lawyers or consultants reasonably necessary in connection with the evaluation, transfer or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation or other unusual matters arising in the performance of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture, any reasonable expenses incurred by the Servicer in obtaining advice from outside counsel with respect to its obligations under this Agreement, brokerage commissions, transfer fees, registration costs, taxes and other similar costs and transaction related expenses and fees arising out of transactions effected for the Issuer's account and the portion allocated to the Issuer of any other fees and expenses that the Servicer customarily allocates among all of the funds or portfolios that it services or manages, including reasonable expenses incurred with respect to any compliance requirements, including, but not limited to, compliance with the requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, related solely to the ownership or holding of any Securities by HFP or any of its subsidiaries) shall be reimbursed by the Issuer to the extent funds are available therefor in accordance with and subject to the Priority of Payments and other limitations contained in the Indenture.

(c) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 12, Section 14 or otherwise, the fees payable to the Servicer shall be prorated for any partial periods between Payment Dates during which this Agreement was in effect and shall be due and payable on the first Payment Date following the date of such termination and on any subsequent Payment Dates to the extent remaining unpaid and in accordance with, and to the extent provided in, the Indenture.

9. Benefit of the Agreement.

The Servicer agrees that its obligations hereunder shall be enforceable at the instance of the Issuer, the Trustee, on behalf of the Noteholders, or the requisite percentage of Noteholders or the Holders of the Preference Shares, as applicable, as provided in the Indenture or the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, as applicable.

10. Limits of Servicer Responsibility; Indemnification.

(a) The Servicer assumes no responsibility under this Agreement other than to render the services called for hereunder and under the terms of the other Transaction Documents made applicable to it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement in good faith and, subject to the standard of liability described in the next sentence, shall not be responsible for any action of the Issuer or the Trustee in following or declining to follow any advice, recommendation or direction of the Servicer. The Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, and its Affiliates and their directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, shall not be liable to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person, for any losses, claims, damages, judgments, assessments, costs or other liabilities (collectively, "Liabilities") incurred by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person, that arise out of or in connection with the performance by the Servicer of its duties under this Agreement and under the terms of the other Transaction Documents made applicable to it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, except by reason of (i) acts or omissions constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, gross negligence or breach of fiduciary duty in the performance, or reckless disregard, of the obligations of the Servicer hereunder and under the terms of the other Transaction Documents made applicable to it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement or (ii) with respect to any information included in the Offering Memorandum in the section entitled "The Servicer" that contains any untrue statement of material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) collectively being the "Servicer Breaches"). For the

avoidance of doubt, the Servicer shall have no duty to independently investigate any laws not otherwise known to it in connection with its obligations under this Agreement, the Indenture and the other Transaction Documents. The Servicer shall be deemed to have satisfied the requirements of the Indenture and this Agreement relating to not causing the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes (including as those requirements relate to the acquisition (including manner of acquisition), ownership, enforcement, and disposition of Collateral) to the extent the Servicer complies with the requirements set forth in Annex 1 hereto (unless the Servicer knows that as a result of a change in law the investment restrictions set forth in Annex 1 may no longer be relied upon).

(b) The Issuer shall indemnify and hold harmless (the Issuer in such case, the “Indemnifying Party”) the Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees (such parties collectively in such case, the “Indemnified Parties”) from and against any and all Liabilities, and shall reimburse each such Indemnified Party for all reasonable fees and expenses (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) (collectively, the “Expenses”) as such Expenses are incurred in investigating, preparing, pursuing or defending any claim, action, proceeding or investigation with respect to any pending or threatened litigation (collectively, the “Actions”), caused by, or arising out of or in connection with, the issuance of the Securities, the transactions contemplated by the Offering Memorandum, the Indenture or this Agreement, and/or any action taken by, or any failure to act by, such Indemnified Party; provided, however, that no Indemnified Party shall be indemnified for any Liabilities or Expenses it incurs as a result of any acts or omissions by any Indemnified Party constituting Servicer Breaches. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the obligations of the Issuer under this Section 10 shall be payable solely out of the Collateral in accordance with, and subject to, the Priority of Payments and shall survive termination of this Agreement.

(c) With respect to any claim made or threatened against an Indemnified Party, or compulsory process or request or other notice of any loss, claim, damage or liability served upon an Indemnified Party, for which such Indemnified Party is or may be entitled to indemnification under this Section 10, such Indemnified Party shall (or with respect to Indemnified Parties that are directors, officers, stockholders, agents or employees of the Servicer, the Servicer shall cause such Indemnified Party to):

(i) give written notice to the Indemnifying Party of such claim within ten (10) days after such Indemnified Party’s receipt of actual notice that such claim is made or threatened, which notice to the Indemnifying Party shall specify in reasonable detail the nature of the claim and the amount (or an estimate of the amount) of the claim; provided, however, that the failure of any Indemnified Party to provide such notice to the Indemnifying Party shall not relieve the Indemnifying Party of its obligations under this Section 10 unless the Indemnifying Party is materially prejudiced or otherwise forfeits rights or defenses by reason of such failure;

(ii) at the Indemnifying Party’s expense, provide the Indemnifying Party such information and cooperation with respect to such claim as the Indemnifying Party may reasonably require, including, but not limited to, making appropriate personnel available to the Indemnifying Party at such reasonable times as the Indemnifying Party may request;

(iii) at the Indemnifying Party’s expense, cooperate and take all such steps as the Indemnifying Party may reasonably request to preserve and protect any defense to such claim;

(iv) in the event suit is brought with respect to such claim, upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Indemnifying Party the right, which the Indemnifying Party may exercise in its sole discretion and at its expense, to participate in the investigation, defense and settlement of such claim;

(v) neither incur any material expense to defend against nor release or settle any such claim or make any admission with respect thereto (other than routine or incontestable admissions or factual admissions the failure to make which would expose such Indemnified Party to uninsured liability) nor permit a default or consent to the entry of any judgment in respect thereof, in each case without the prior written consent of the Indemnifying Party; and

(vi) upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Indemnifying Party the right, in its sole discretion and at its sole expense, to assume the defense of such claim, including, but not limited to, the right to designate counsel reasonably acceptable to the Indemnified Party and to control all negotiations, litigation, arbitration, settlements, compromises and appeals of such claim; provided, that if the Indemnifying Party assumes the defense of such claim, it shall not be liable for any fees and expenses of counsel for any Indemnified Party incurred thereafter in connection with such claim except that if such Indemnified Party reasonably determines that counsel designated by the Indemnifying Party has a conflict of interest in connection with its representation of such Indemnified Party, such Indemnifying Party shall pay the reasonable fees and disbursements of one counsel (in addition to any local counsel) separate from its own counsel for all Indemnified Parties in connection with any one action or separate but similar or related actions in the same jurisdiction arising out of the same general allegations or circumstances; provided, further, that prior to entering into any final settlement or compromise, such Indemnifying Party shall seek the consent of the Indemnified Party and use its commercially reasonable efforts in the light of the then prevailing circumstances (including, without limitation, any express or implied time constraint on any pending settlement offer) to obtain the consent of such Indemnified Party as to the terms of settlement or compromise. If an Indemnified Party does not consent to the settlement or compromise within a reasonable time under the circumstances, the Indemnifying Party shall not thereafter be obligated to indemnify the Indemnified Party for any amount in excess of such proposed settlement or compromise.

(d) In the event that any Indemnified Party waives its right to indemnification hereunder, the Indemnifying Party shall not be entitled to appoint counsel to represent such Indemnified Party nor shall the Indemnifying Party reimburse such Indemnified Party for any costs of counsel to such Indemnified Party.

(e) The U.S. federal securities laws impose liabilities under certain circumstances on persons who act in good faith; accordingly, notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, nothing herein shall in any way constitute a waiver or limitation of any rights which the Issuer or the Holders of the Securities may have under any U.S. federal securities laws.

#### 11. No Partnership or Joint Venture.

The Issuer and the Servicer are not partners or joint venturers with each other and nothing herein shall be construed to make them such partners or joint venturers or impose any liability as such on either of them. The Servicer's relation to the Issuer shall be deemed to be that of an independent contractor.

12. Term; Termination.

(a) This Agreement shall commence as of the date first set forth above and shall continue in force and effect until the first of the following occurs: (i) the payment in full of the Notes, the termination of the Indenture in accordance with its terms and the redemption in full of the Preference Shares; (ii) the liquidation of the Collateral and the final distribution of the proceeds of such liquidation to the Holders of the Securities; or (iii) the termination of this Agreement in accordance with subsection (b), (c), (d) or (e) of this Section 12 or Section 14 of this Agreement.

(b) Subject to Section 12(e) below, the Servicer may resign, upon 90 days' written notice to the Issuer (or such shorter notice as is acceptable to the Issuer). If the Servicer resigns, the Issuer agrees to appoint a successor servicer to assume such duties and obligations in accordance with Section 12(e).

(c) This Agreement shall be automatically terminated in the event that the Issuer determines in good faith that the Issuer or the pool of Collateral has become required to be registered under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, and the Issuer notifies the Servicer thereof.

(d) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to this Section 12, neither party shall have any further liability or obligation to the other, except as provided in Sections 2(c)(i), 8, 10 and 15 of this Agreement.

(e) No removal or resignation of the Servicer shall be effective unless:

(i) (A) the Issuer appoints a successor servicer at the written direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by the retiring Servicer, any of its Affiliates or any account over which the retiring Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority other than, with respect to the Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP or its subsidiaries; provided that, with respect to the voting authority of Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) (each such non-excluded Preference Share, a "Voting Preference Share"), (B) such successor servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the retiring Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer, its Affiliates or any account over which the retiring Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority other than HFP; provided that, with respect to the voting authority of Notes owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Trustee by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) (each such non-excluded Note, a "Voting Note") or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single class); or



(ii) if a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares has nominated two or more successor servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) or has failed to appoint a successor servicer that has not been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) within 60 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer, (A) the Issuer appoints a successor servicer at the written direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes), (B) such successor servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the retiring Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares (voting as a single class) or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single class); provided, that if a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and a Super Majority of the Controlling Class (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) have each nominated two or more successor servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clauses (i)(C) and (ii)(C) or have otherwise failed to appoint a successor servicer that has not been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) or (ii)(C) within 120 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer, (A) any Holder of the Controlling Class (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes), any Holder of Voting Preference Shares or the Trustee petitions a court of competent authority to appoint a successor servicer, (B) such court appoints a successor servicer and (C) such successor servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the retiring Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture.

In addition, any successor servicer must be an established institution which (i) has demonstrated an ability to professionally and competently perform duties similar to those imposed upon the Servicer hereunder, (ii) is legally qualified and has the capacity to act as Servicer hereunder, as successor to the Servicer under this Agreement in the assumption of all of the responsibilities, duties and obligations of the Servicer hereunder and under the applicable terms of the Indenture, (iii) shall not cause the Issuer or the pool of Collateral to become required to register under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, (iv) shall perform its duties as successor servicer under this Agreement and the Indenture without causing the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Holder of Preference Shares to become subject to tax in any jurisdiction where such successor servicer is established as doing business and (v) each Rating Agency has confirmed that the appointment of such successor servicer shall not cause its then-current rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn. No compensation payable to a successor servicer from payments on the Collateral shall be greater than that paid to the retiring Servicer without the prior written consent of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes, a Majority of the Noteholders and a Majority of the Preference Shares. The Issuer, the Trustee and the successor servicer shall take such action (or cause the retiring Servicer to take such action) consistent with this Agreement and the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer, as shall be necessary to effectuate any such succession.

(f) In the event of removal of the Servicer pursuant to this Agreement, the Issuer shall have all of the rights and remedies available with respect thereto at law or equity, and, without limiting the foregoing, the Issuer or, to the extent so provided in the Indenture, the Trustee may by notice in writing to the Servicer as provided under this Agreement terminate all the rights and obligations of the Servicer under this Agreement (except those that survive termination pursuant to Section 12(d) above). Upon expiration of the applicable notice period with respect to termination specified in this Section 12 or Section 14 of this Agreement, as applicable, all authority and power of the Servicer under this Agreement, whether with respect to the Collateral or otherwise, shall automatically and without further action by any person or entity pass to and be vested in the successor servicer upon the appointment thereof.

13. Delegation; Assignments.

This Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Servicer hereunder, shall not be delegated by the Servicer, in whole or in part, except to any entity that (i) is controlled by any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers and (ii) is one in which any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers is involved in the day to day management and operations (and in any such case pursuant to an instrument of delegation in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer), without the prior written consent of the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and, notwithstanding any such consent, no delegation of obligations or duties by the Servicer (including, without limitation, to an entity described above) shall relieve the Servicer from any liability hereunder.

Subject to Section 12, any assignment of this Agreement to any Person, in whole or in part, by the Servicer shall be deemed null and void unless (i) such assignment is consented to in writing by the Issuer, a Majority of Noteholders and the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding Notes and Preference Shares held by the Servicer or any of its Affiliates other than HFP) and (ii) the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to any such assignment. Any assignment consented to by the Issuer, a Majority of Noteholders and the Holders of Preference Shares shall bind the assignee hereunder in the same manner as the Servicer is bound. In addition, the assignee shall execute and deliver to the Issuer and the Trustee a counterpart of this Agreement naming such assignee as Servicer. Upon the execution and delivery of such a counterpart by the assignee and consent thereto by the Issuer, a Majority of Noteholders and the Holders of the Preference Shares, the Servicer shall be released from further obligations pursuant to this Agreement, except with respect to its obligations arising under Section 10 of this Agreement prior to such assignment and except with respect to its obligations under Sections 2(c)(i) and 15 hereof. This Agreement shall not be assigned by the Issuer without the prior written consent of the Servicer and the Trustee, except in the case of assignment by the Issuer to (i) an entity which is a successor to the Issuer permitted under the Indenture, in which case such successor organization shall be bound hereunder and by the terms of said assignment in the same manner as the Issuer is bound thereunder or (ii) the Trustee as contemplated by the Indenture. In the event of any assignment by the Issuer, the Issuer shall cause its successor to execute and deliver to the Servicer such documents as the Servicer shall consider reasonably necessary to effect fully such assignment. The Servicer hereby consents to the matters set forth in Article 15 of the Indenture.

14. Termination by the Issuer for Cause.

Subject to Section 12(e) above, this Agreement shall be terminated and the Servicer shall be removed by the Issuer for cause upon 10 days' prior written notice to the Servicer and upon written notice to the Holders of the Securities as set forth below, but only if directed to do so by the Trustee acting at the direction of (1) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) or (2) a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares that are not Voting Preference Shares). For purposes of determining "cause" with respect to any such termination of this Agreement, such term shall mean any one of the following events:

(a) the Servicer willfully breaches in any respect, or takes any action that it knows violates in any respect, any provision of this Agreement or any terms of the Indenture applicable to it;

(b) the Servicer breaches in any material respect any provision of this Agreement or any terms of the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement applicable to it, or any representation, warranty, certification or statement given in writing by the Servicer shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or given, and the Servicer fails to cure such breach

or take such action so that the facts (after giving effect to such action) conform in all material respects to such representation, warranty, certificate or statement, in each case within 30 days of becoming aware of, or receiving notice from, the Trustee of, such breach or materially incorrect representation, warranty, certificate or statement;

(c) the Servicer is wound up or dissolved (other than a dissolution in which the remaining members elect to continue the business of the Servicer in accordance with its Governing Instruments) or there is appointed over it or a substantial portion of its assets a receiver, administrator, administrative receiver, trustee or similar officer, or the Servicer (i) ceases to be able to, or admits in writing its inability to, pay its debts as they become due and payable, or makes a general assignment for the benefit of or enters into any composition or arrangement with, its creditors generally; (ii) applies for or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, assignee, custodian, liquidator or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Servicer or of any substantial part of its properties or assets, or authorizes such an application or consent, or proceedings seeking such appointment are commenced without such authorization, consent or application against the Servicer and continue undismissed for 60 days; (iii) authorizes or files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, or applies for or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the application of any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, readjustment of debt, insolvency or dissolution, or authorizes such application or consent, or proceedings to such end are instituted against the Servicer without such authorization, application or consent and are approved as properly instituted and remain undismissed for 60 days or result in adjudication of bankruptcy or insolvency; or (iv) permits or suffers all or any substantial part of its properties or assets to be sequestered or attached by court order and the order remains undismissed for 60 days;

(d) the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture that results from any breach by the Servicer of its duties under the Indenture or this Agreement, which breach or default is not cured within any applicable cure period; or

(e) (x) the occurrence of an act by the Servicer related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business that constitutes fraud, (y) the Servicer being indicted, or any of its principals being convicted, of a felony criminal offense related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business or (z) the Servicer being indicted for, adjudged liable in a civil suit for, or convicted of a violation of the Securities Act or any other United States Federal securities law or any rules or regulations thereunder.

If any of the events specified in this Section 14 shall occur, the Servicer shall give prompt written notice thereof to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Holders of all outstanding Notes and Preference Shares upon the Servicer's becoming aware of the occurrence of such event.

#### 15. Action Upon Termination.

(a) From and after the effective date of termination of this Agreement, the Servicer shall not be entitled to compensation for further services hereunder, but shall be paid all compensation accrued to the date of termination, as provided in Section 8 hereof, and shall be entitled to receive any amounts owing under Section 10 hereof. Upon the effective date of termination of this Agreement, the Servicer shall as soon as practicable:

(i) deliver to the Issuer all property and documents of the Trustee or the Issuer or otherwise relating to the Collateral then in the custody of the Servicer; and

(ii) deliver to the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent an accounting with respect to the books and records delivered to the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the successor servicer appointed pursuant to Section 12(e) hereof.

Notwithstanding such termination, the Servicer shall remain liable to the extent set forth herein (but subject to Section 10 hereof) for its acts or omissions hereunder arising prior to termination and for any expenses, losses, damages, liabilities, demands, charges and claims (including reasonable attorneys' fees) in respect of or arising out of a breach of the representations and warranties made by the Servicer in Section 16(b) hereof or from any failure of the Servicer to comply with the provisions of this Section 15.

(b) The Servicer agrees that, notwithstanding any termination of this Agreement, it shall reasonably cooperate in any Proceeding arising in connection with this Agreement, the Indenture or any of the Collateral (excluding any such Proceeding in which claims are asserted against the Servicer or any Affiliate of the Servicer) upon receipt of appropriate indemnification and expense reimbursement.

16. Representations and Warranties.

(a) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants to the Servicer as follows:

(i) The Issuer has been duly incorporated and is validly existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands, has full power and authority to own its assets and the securities proposed to be owned by it and included in the Collateral and to transact the business in which it is presently engaged and is duly qualified under the laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Indenture or the Securities would require, such qualification, except for failures to be so qualified, authorized or licensed that would not in the aggregate have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Issuer.

(ii) The Issuer has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform its obligations pursuant to this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities and all obligations required hereunder and thereunder and has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities on the terms and conditions hereof and thereof and the execution by the Issuer, delivery and performance of its obligations pursuant to this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities and the performance of all obligations imposed upon it hereunder and thereunder. No consent of any other person including, without limitation, shareholders and creditors of the Issuer, and no license, permit, approval or authorization of, exemption by, notice or report to, or registration, filing or declaration with, any governmental authority, other than those that may be required under state securities or "blue sky" laws and those that have been or shall be obtained in connection with the other Transaction Documents and the Securities is required by the Issuer in connection with this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities or the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities or the obligations imposed upon it hereunder or thereunder. This Agreement constitutes, and each instrument or document required hereunder, when executed and delivered hereunder, shall constitute, the legally valid and binding obligation of the Issuer enforceable against

the Issuer in accordance with its terms, subject to (a) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights and (b) general equitable principles.

(iii) The execution by the Issuer, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the documents and instruments required hereunder shall not violate any provision of any existing law or regulation binding on the Issuer, or any order, judgment, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or governmental authority binding on the Issuer, or the Governing Instruments of, or any securities issued by, the Issuer or of any mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking to which the Issuer is a party or by which the Issuer or any of its assets may be bound, the violation of which would have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Issuer, and shall not result in or require the creation or imposition of any lien on any of its property, assets or revenues pursuant to the provisions of any such mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking (other than the lien of the Indenture).

(iv) The Issuer is not in violation of its Governing Instruments or in breach or violation of or in default under the Indenture or any contract or agreement to which it is a party or by which it or any of its assets may be bound, or any applicable statute or any rule, regulation or order of any court, government agency or body having jurisdiction over the Issuer or its properties, the breach or violation of which or default under which would have a material adverse effect on the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the performance by the Issuer of its duties hereunder.

(v) True and complete copies of the Indenture and the Issuer's Governing Instruments have been delivered to the Servicer.

The Issuer agrees to deliver a true and complete copy of each amendment to the documents referred to in Section 16(a)(v) above to the Servicer as promptly as practicable after its adoption or execution.

(b) The Servicer hereby represents and warrants to the Issuer as follows:

(i) The Servicer is a limited partnership duly organized and validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware, has full power and authority to own its assets and to transact the business in which it is currently engaged and is duly qualified and in good standing under the laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of this Agreement would require such qualification, except for those jurisdictions in which the failure to be so qualified, authorized or licensed would not have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Servicer or on the ability of the Servicer to perform its obligations under, or on the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement and the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer.

(ii) The Servicer has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement and all obligations required hereunder and under the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer, and has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement on the terms and conditions hereof and the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and all obligations required

hereunder and under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer. No consent of any other person, including, without limitation, creditors of the Servicer, and no license, permit, approval or authorization of, exemption by, notice or report to, or registration, filing or declaration with, any governmental authority is required by the Servicer in connection with this Agreement or the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the obligations required hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer. This Agreement has been, and each instrument and document required hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer shall be, executed and delivered by a duly authorized partner of the Servicer, and this Agreement constitutes, and each instrument and document required hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer when executed and delivered by the Servicer hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer shall constitute, the valid and legally binding obligations of the Servicer enforceable against the Servicer in accordance with their terms, subject to (a) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights and (b) general equitable principles.

(iii) The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer and the documents and instruments required hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer shall not violate or conflict with any provision of any existing law or regulation binding on or applicable to the Servicer, or any order, judgment, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or governmental authority binding on the Servicer, or the Governing Instruments of, or any securities issued by the Servicer or of any mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking to which the Servicer is a party or by which the Servicer or any of its assets may be bound, the violation of which would have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Servicer or its ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement and the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer, and shall not result in or require the creation or imposition of any lien on any of its material property, assets or revenues pursuant to the provisions of any such mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking.

(iv) There is no charge, investigation, action, suit or proceeding before or by any court pending or, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, threatened that, if determined adversely to the Servicer, would have a material adverse effect upon the performance by the Servicer of its duties under, or on the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement and the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer.

(v) The Servicer is a registered investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act.

(vi) The Servicer is not in violation of its Governing Instruments or in breach or violation of or in default under any contract or agreement to which it is a party or by which it or any of its property may be bound, or any applicable statute or any rule, regulation or order of any court, government agency or body having jurisdiction over the Servicer or its properties, the breach or violation of which or default under which would have a material adverse effect on the validity or enforceability of this Agreement

or the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer, or the performance by the Servicer of its duties hereunder.

17. Notices.

Unless expressly provided otherwise herein, all notices, requests, demands and other communications required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing (including by telecopy) and shall be deemed to have been duly given, made and received when delivered against receipt or upon actual receipt of registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, or, in the case of telecopy notice, when received in legible form, addressed as set forth below:

(a) If to the Issuer:

Aberdeen Loan Funding, Ltd.  
c/o Walkers SPV Limited  
Walker House  
87 Mary Street  
George Town, Grand Cayman, KY1-9002, Cayman Islands  
Telephone: (345) 945-3727  
Telecopy: (345) 945-4757  
Attention: The Directors

(b) If to the Servicer:

Highland Capital Management, L.P.  
Two Galleria Tower  
13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300  
Dallas, Texas 75240  
Telephone: (972) 628-4100  
Telecopy: (972) 628-4147  
Attention: James Dondero

(c) If to the Trustee:

State Street Bank and Trust Company  
200 Clarendon Street  
Mail Code: EUC-108  
Boston, Massachusetts 02116  
Telecopy: (617) 351-4358  
Attention: CDO Services Group

(d) If to the Noteholders:

In accordance with Section 14.3 of the Indenture, at their respective addresses set forth on the Note Register.

(e) If to the Holders of the Preference Shares:

In accordance with Section 14.3 of the Indenture, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent at the address identified therein.

(f) if to the Rating Agencies:

In accordance with Section 14.3 of the Indenture, to the Rating Agencies at the address identified therein.

Any party may alter the address or telecopy number to which communications or copies are to be sent by giving notice of such change of address in conformity with the provisions of this Section 17 for the giving of notice.

18. Binding Nature of Agreement; Successors and Assigns.

This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns as provided herein. The Servicer hereby consents to the collateral assignment of this Agreement as provided in the Indenture and further agrees that the Trustee may enforce the Servicer's obligations hereunder.

19. Entire Agreement.

This Agreement contains the entire agreement and understanding among the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements, understandings, inducements and conditions, express or implied, oral or written, of any nature whatsoever with respect to the subject matter hereof. The express terms hereof control and supersede any course of performance and/or usage of the trade inconsistent with any of the terms hereof. This Agreement may not be modified or amended other than by an agreement in writing executed by the parties hereto and in accordance with the terms of Section 15.1(h) of the Indenture.

20. Conflict with the Indenture.

Subject to the last two sentences of Section 2(a)(i), in the event that this Agreement requires any action to be taken with respect to any matter and the Indenture requires that a different action be taken with respect to such matter, and such actions are mutually exclusive, the provisions of the Indenture in respect thereof shall control.

21. Priority of Payments.

The Servicer agrees that the payment of all amounts to which it is entitled pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture shall be due and payable only in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Indenture and only to the extent funds are available for such payments in accordance with such priorities.

22. Governing Law.

**THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS PROVISIONS THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION.**

23. Indulgences Not Waivers.

Neither the failure nor any delay on the part of any party hereto to exercise any right, remedy, power or privilege under this Agreement shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or



partial exercise of any right, remedy, power or privilege preclude any other or further exercise of the same or of any other right, remedy, power or privilege, nor shall any waiver of any right, remedy, power or privilege with respect to any occurrence be construed as a waiver of such right, remedy, power or privilege with respect to any other occurrence. No waiver shall be effective unless it is in writing and is signed by the party asserted to have granted such waiver.

24. Costs and Expenses.

Except as may otherwise be agreed in writing, the costs and expenses (including the fees and disbursements of counsel and accountants) incurred by each party in connection with the negotiation and preparation of and the execution of this Agreement, and all matters incident thereto, shall be borne by such party.

25. Titles Not to Affect Interpretation.

The titles of paragraphs and subparagraphs contained in this Agreement are for convenience only, and they neither form a part of this Agreement nor are they to be used in the construction or interpretation hereof.

26. Execution in Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts by facsimile or other written form of communication, each of which shall be deemed to be an original as against any party whose signature appears thereon, and all of which shall together constitute one and the same instrument. This Agreement shall become binding when one or more counterparts hereof, individually or taken together, shall bear the signatures of all of the parties reflected hereon as the signatories.

27. Provisions Separable.

In case any provision in this Agreement shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable as written, such provision shall be construed in the manner most closely resembling the apparent intent of the parties with respect to such provision so as to be valid, legal and enforceable; provided, however, that if there is no basis for such a construction, such provision shall be ineffective only to the extent of such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability and, unless the ineffectiveness of such provision destroys the basis of the bargain for one of the parties to this Agreement, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions hereof or thereof shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

28. Number and Gender.

Words used herein, regardless of the number and gender specifically used, shall be deemed and construed to include any other number, singular or plural, and any other gender, masculine, feminine or neuter, as the context requires.

29. Written Disclosure Statement.

The Issuer and the Trustee acknowledge receipt of Part II of the Servicer's Form ADV filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, as required by Rule 204-3 under the Investment Advisers Act, more than 48 hours prior to the date of execution of this Agreement.

30. Miscellaneous.

(a) In the event that any vote is solicited with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall vote or refrain from voting any such security in any manner permitted by the Indenture that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities. In addition, with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, may instruct the trustee for such Defaulted Collateral Obligation to enforce the Issuer's rights under the Underlying Instruments governing such Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any applicable law, rule or regulation in any manner permitted under the Indenture that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities. In the event any Offer is made with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, may take such action as is permitted by the Indenture and that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities.

(b) In connection with taking or omitting any action under the Indenture or this Agreement, the Servicer may consult with counsel and may rely in good faith on the advice of such counsel or any opinion of counsel.

Any corporation, partnership or limited liability company into which the Servicer may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any corporation, partnership or limited liability company resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Servicer shall be a party, or any corporation, partnership or limited liability company succeeding to all or substantially all of the asset servicing and collateral management business of the Servicer, shall be the successor to the Servicer without any further action by the Servicer, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person or entity.


31. Limitation of Liabilities.

The Issuer's obligations hereunder are solely the corporate obligations of the Issuer and the Servicer shall not have any recourse to any of the directors, officers, shareholders, members or incorporators of the Issuer with respect to any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations in connection with any transactions contemplated hereby. The obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be limited to the net proceeds of the Collateral, if any, and following realization of the Collateral and its application in accordance with the Indenture, any outstanding obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. The provisions of this section shall survive termination of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,  
as Servicer

BY: STRAND ADVISORS, INC.,  
as General Partner

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

ABERDEEN LOAN FUNDING, LTD.,  
as Issuer

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

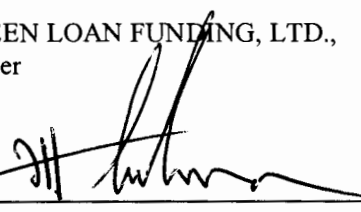
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Title:

ABERDEEN LOAN FUNDING, LTD.,  
as Issuer

By:   
Name: **John Cullinane**  
Title: **Director**

## ANNEX 1

### Certain Asset Acquisition Provisions

Unless otherwise noted, references to the Issuer in this Annex 1 include the Servicer and any other person acting on the Issuer's behalf. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein will have the meanings ascribed to them in the Indenture.

For purposes of this Annex 1,

"Affiliate" means, with respect to a specified Person, (a) any other Person that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls or is controlled by, or is under common control with, the specified Person and (b) any Person that is a member, director, officer or employee of (i) the specified Person or (ii) a Person described in clause (a) of this definition; and

"Person" means an individual, a corporation, a limited liability company, a partnership, an association, a trust or any other entity or organization, including a government or political subdivision or an agency or instrumentality thereof.

#### Section I. General Investment Restrictions.

Except as may otherwise be provided in this Annex 1, the Issuer (and the Servicer acting on the Issuer's behalf) shall only purchase debt securities, interests in loans and other assets (each a "Portfolio Obligation") only in secondary-market transactions and shall not engage in any lending or underwriting activities or otherwise participate in the structuring or origination of any Portfolio Obligation.

##### A. Communications and Negotiations.

1. The Issuer will not have any communications or negotiations with the obligor of a Portfolio Obligation or a Reference Obligation (directly or indirectly through an intermediary such as the seller of such Portfolio Obligation or the Synthetic Security) in connection with the issuance or funding of such Portfolio Obligation or Reference Obligation or commitments with respect thereto, except for communications of an immaterial nature or customary due diligence communications; provided, that the Servicer may provide comments as to mistakes or inconsistencies in loan documents (including with respect to any provisions that are inconsistent with the terms and conditions of purchase of the loan by the Issuer).

2. By way of example, permitted due diligence activities may include, but are not limited to, (a) attendance at an obligor's general "roadshow" or other presentations to investment professionals, (b) direct private discussions with personnel of the obligor, arranged by a sponsor, lead bank or other arranger, and (c) other due diligence activities of the kind customarily performed by offerees of the type of Portfolio Obligation being offered, but may not include any negotiations

with the obligor, employees or agents of the obligor of any terms or conditions of the Portfolio Obligation being offered.

3. Negotiations between the Servicer and the underwriter, placement agent or broker of a Portfolio Obligation are permitted solely to the extent that they are limited to responses to customary pre-offering period and offering period inquiries by the underwriter or placement agent (e.g., “If we offered you 10-year senior subordinated bonds of XYZ company, what spread would it require to interest you?” or “If you will not buy the bonds as offered, would you buy if we convinced the obligor to add a fixed charge coverage test?”). For purposes of this Section I.A., “negotiations” shall not include (i) commenting on offering documents to an unrelated underwriter or placement agent when the ability to comment was generally available to other offerees, or (ii) communicating certain objective criteria (such as the minimum yield or maturity) the Issuer generally uses in purchasing the relevant type of Portfolio Obligation.

4. The Issuer may consent or otherwise act with respect to amendments, supplements or other modifications of the terms of any Portfolio Obligation (other than a Subsidiary Obligation (as defined in Section III)) requiring consent or action after the date on which any such Portfolio Obligation is acquired by the Issuer if (a) such amendment, supplement or modification would not constitute a Significant Modification (as defined below), (b) (i) in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the obligor is in financial distress and such change in terms is desirable to protect the Issuer’s interest and (ii) the Portfolio Obligation is described in clause 5(b) of this Section I.A., (c) the amendment or modification would not be treated as the acquisition of a new Portfolio Obligation under paragraph 5 of this Section I.A., or (d) otherwise, if it has received advice of counsel that its involvement in such amendment, supplement or modification will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business within the United States.

A “Significant Modification” means any amendment, supplement or other modification that involves (a) a change in the stated maturity or a change in the timing of any material payment of any Portfolio Obligation (including deferral of an interest payment), that would materially alter the weighted average life of the Portfolio Obligation, (b) any change (whether positive or negative) in the yield on the Portfolio Obligation immediately prior to the modification in excess of the greater of (i) 25 basis points or (ii) 5 percent of such unmodified yield, (c) any change involving a material new extension of credit, (d) a change in the obligor of any Portfolio Obligation, or (e) a material change in the collateral or security for any Portfolio Obligation, including the addition or deletion of a co-obligor or guarantor that results in a material change in payment expectations (all as determined for purposes of section 1001 of the Code).

5. In the event the Issuer owns an interest in a Portfolio Obligation the terms of which are subsequently amended or modified, or in the case of a workout situation not described in Section III hereof, which Portfolio Obligation is

subsequently exchanged for new obligations or other securities of the obligor of the Portfolio Obligation, such amendments or modifications or exchange will not be treated as the acquisition of an interest in a new Portfolio Obligation for purposes of this Annex 1, provided, that (a) the Issuer does not, directly or indirectly (through the Servicer or otherwise), seek the amendments or modifications or the exchange, or participate in negotiating the amendments or modifications or the exchange, and (b) at the time of original acquisition of the interest in the Portfolio Obligation, it was not reasonably anticipated that the terms of the Portfolio Obligation would, pursuant to a workout or other negotiation, subsequently be amended or modified.

B. Fees. The Issuer will not earn or receive from any Person any fee or other compensation for services, however denominated, in connection with its purchase or sale of a Portfolio Obligation or entering into a Synthetic Security; the foregoing prohibition shall not be construed to preclude the Issuer from receiving (i) commitment fees, facility maintenance fees or other similar fees that are received by the Issuer in connection with revolving or delayed drawdown Loans or synthetic or pre-funded letter of credit Loans; (ii) yield maintenance and prepayment penalty fees; (iii) fees on account of the Issuer's consenting to amendments, waivers or other modifications of the terms of any Portfolio Obligations; (iv) fees from permitted securities lending; or (v) upfront payments in lieu of periodic payments under a Synthetic Security. The Issuer will not provide services to any Person; the foregoing prohibition shall not be construed to preclude the Issuer from activities relating to the receipt of income described in (i) through (v) of the preceding sentence.

## Section II. Loans and Forward Purchase Commitments.

A. Any understanding or commitment to purchase a loan, a participation, or a loan subparticipation (collectively, "Loans") from a seller before completion of the closing and full funding of the Loan by such seller shall only be made pursuant to a forward sale agreement at an agreed price (stated as a dollar amount or as a percentage) (a "Forward Purchase Commitment"), unless such an understanding or commitment is not legally binding and neither the Issuer nor the Servicer is economically compelled (e.g., would otherwise be subject to a significant monetary penalty) to purchase the Loan following the completion of the closing and full funding of the Loan (i.e., the Servicer will make an independent decision whether to purchase such Loan on behalf of the Issuer after completion of the closing of the Loan) (a "Non-Binding Agreement").

B. No Forward Purchase Commitment or Non-Binding Agreement shall be made until after the seller (or a transferor to such seller of such Loan) has made a legally binding commitment to fully fund such Loan to the obligor thereof (subject to customary conditions), which commitment cannot be conditioned on the Issuer's ultimate purchase of such Loan from such seller.

C. In the event of any reduced or eliminated funding, the Issuer shall not receive any premium, fee, or other compensation in connection with having entered into the Forward Purchase Commitment or Non-Binding Agreement.

D. The Issuer shall not close any purchase of a Loan subject to a Forward Purchase Commitment or a Non-Binding Agreement earlier than 48 hours after the time of the closing of the Loan (i.e., execution of definitive documentation), and, in the case of a Forward Purchase Commitment, the Issuer's obligation to purchase such Loan is subject to the condition that no material adverse change has occurred in the financial condition of the Loan's obligor or the relevant market on or before the relevant purchase date.

E. The Issuer cannot have a contractual relationship with the obligor with respect to a Loan until the Issuer actually purchases the Loan.

F. The Issuer cannot be a signatory on the original lending agreement, and cannot be obligated to fund an assignment of or a participation in a Loan, prior to the time specified in subsection D above.

G. In addition to the restrictions otherwise applicable to Loans, the Issuer shall not acquire any synthetic or pre-funded letter of credit Loan unless (1) the cash collateral deposit with respect to such Loan was fully funded by a predecessor in interest with respect to such Loan; (2) the Loan is part of a credit facility that includes another Loan (other than a synthetic or pre-funded letter of credit Loan) to the same obligor, and is being acquired in connection with the acquisition of such other Loan and from the same seller as such other Loan, with the intent to hold both parts and with the amount of the other Loan being significantly in excess of the amount of the synthetic or pre-funded letter of credit Loan; (3) such synthetic or pre-funded letter of credit Loan satisfies the requirements set forth in Section VI.B., treating the synthetic or pre-funded letter of credit Loan, for this purpose, as though it were a delayed drawdown or revolving Loan; and (4) at no time may more than 5% of the aggregate principal amount of Portfolio Obligations consist of synthetic or pre-funded letter of credit Loans.

### Section III. Distressed Debt

A. The Issuer may only purchase a Debt Instrument that is a Potential Workout Obligation to the extent permitted by this Section III.

B. Neither the Issuer nor the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall purchase a Subsidiary Obligation from any Issuer Subsidiary.

#### C. Special Procedures for Subsidiary Obligations.

1. Potential Workout Obligations. On or prior to the date of acquisition, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall identify each Portfolio Obligation that is a Potential Workout Obligation.

2. Transfer of Subsidiary Obligations. From and after the occurrence of a Workout Determination Date with respect to a Subsidiary Obligation, neither the Issuer nor the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall knowingly take any action in respect of such Subsidiary Obligation that may result in the Issuer being engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes. As soon as practicable, but in any event within



30 calendar days following a Workout Determination Date, the Servicer shall cause the Issuer either (i) to sell or dispose of any Subsidiary Obligation identified on such Workout Determination Date to a Person that is not an Affiliate of the Issuer or Servicer or (ii) to assign any Subsidiary Obligation identified on such Workout Determination Date to an Issuer Subsidiary.

For purposes of this Annex 1, an “Issuer Subsidiary” means any wholly-owned corporate subsidiary of the Issuer to which a Special Workout Obligation may be transferred in accordance with this Annex 1.

3. Consideration for Assignment of Subsidiary Obligations. Consideration given by an Issuer Subsidiary for the assignment to it of Subsidiary Obligations may be in the form of cash or in the form of indebtedness of, or equity interests in, such Issuer Subsidiary.

4. Classification of Issuer Subsidiaries. Each Issuer Subsidiary shall be an entity treated as a corporation for United States federal income tax purposes.

As used herein:

“Potential Workout Obligation” means any debt instrument (any such instrument, including an interest in a Loan, a “Debt Instrument”) which, as of the date of acquisition by the Issuer or an Issuer Subsidiary, based on information specific to such Debt Instrument or the circumstances of the obligor thereof, is a Workout Obligation or, in the reasonable determination of the Servicer, has a materially higher likelihood of becoming a Workout Obligation as compared to debt obligations that par or other non-distressed debt purchasers or funds relating to that asset type customarily purchase and expect to hold to maturity.

“Subsidiary Obligation” means any Potential Workout Obligation (a) as to which the Issuer on any Workout Determination Date either (i) owns more than 40% of the aggregate principal amount of such class of Potential Workout Obligation outstanding or (ii) is one of the two largest holders of any class of debt of the obligor of such Potential Workout Obligation (based on the outstanding principal amount of such class of debt owned by the Issuer as a percentage of the aggregate outstanding principal amount of such class of debt) unless not fewer than three other holders and the Issuer collectively own at least 65% of such class of debt and, if the Issuer is the largest holder of such class, the Issuer’s percentage of such class does not exceed the percentage held by the next largest holder of the debt by more than 5% of such class or (b) that would, upon foreclosure or exercise of similar legal remedies, result in the Issuer directly owning assets (other than securities treated as debt, equity in a partnership not engaged in a trade or business within the United States, or corporate equity for United States federal income tax purposes, provided in the case of corporate equity that the corporation is not a “United States real property holding corporation” within the meaning of section 897 of the Code) which are “United States real property interests” within the meaning of section 897 of the Code or which the Servicer reasonably expects it

would, on behalf of the Issuer, be required to actively manage to preserve the value of the Issuer's interest therein; provided that a Potential Workout Obligation shall not be treated as a Subsidiary Obligation if the Issuer obtains a Tax Opinion that, based on all the surrounding circumstances, the activities in which the Issuer intends to engage with respect to such Potential Workout Obligation will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes.

"Workout Determination Date" means any date on which, in connection with the occurrence of any event described in clauses (a) through (c), inclusive, of the definition of Workout Obligation, either (a) any material action by the Issuer is required to be taken, (b) the Servicer receives written notice that such material action shall be required or (c) the Servicer reasonably determines that the taking of such material action is likely to be required.

"Workout Obligation" means any Debt Instrument as to which the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer (a) consents to a Significant Modification in connection with the workout of a defaulted Portfolio Obligation, (b) participates in an official or unofficial committee or similar official or unofficial body in connection with a bankruptcy, reorganization, restructuring or similar proceeding, or (c) exercises, or has exercised on its behalf, rights of foreclosure or similar judicial remedies.

#### Section IV. Purchases from the Servicer or its Affiliates.

A. If the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer acted as an underwriter, placement or other agent, arranger, negotiator or structuror, or received any fee for services (it being understood that receipts described in clauses (i) through (v) of Section I.B. are not construed as so treated), in connection with the issuance or origination of a Portfolio Obligation or was a member of the original lending syndicate with respect to the Portfolio Obligation (any such Portfolio Obligation, a "Special Procedures Obligation"), the Issuer will not acquire any interest in such Special Procedures Obligation (including entering into a commitment or agreement, whether or not legally binding or enforceable, to acquire such obligation directly or synthetically), from the Servicer, an Affiliate of the Servicer, or a fund managed by the Servicer, unless (i) the Special Procedures Obligation has been outstanding for at least 90 days, (ii) the holder of the Special Procedures Obligation did not identify the obligation or security as intended for sale to the Issuer within 90 days of its issuance, (iii) the price paid for such Special Procedures Obligation by the Issuer is its fair market value at the time of acquisition by the Issuer, and (iv) the transaction is proposed to, and the ultimate purchase is approved on behalf of the Issuer by, one or more Independent Advisors to the Issuer in accordance with the provisions of Section IV.B. below. The Issuer will not acquire any Special Procedures Obligation if, immediately following such acquisition, the fair market value of all Special Procedures Obligations owned by the Issuer would constitute more than 49% of the fair market value of all of the Issuer's assets at such time.

B. An "Independent Advisor" is a Person who is not an Affiliate of the Issuer, the Servicer or any fund managed by the Servicer.

1. The Issuer may not purchase or commit to enter into any such Special Procedures Obligation without prior approval by an Independent Advisor. If the Independent Advisor declines to approve a proposed Special Procedures Obligation, at least three months must elapse before any proposal with respect to the acquisition of debt or other obligations of the same obligor are proposed or considered.

2. The Issuer shall engage the Independent Advisor in an agreement the terms of which shall in substantial form set forth:

(a) the representation of the Independent Advisor, which the Servicer shall not know to be incorrect, that it has significant financial and commercial expertise, including substantial expertise and knowledge in and of the loan market and related investment arenas;

(b) the agreement between the Independent Advisor, the Issuer and the Servicer generally to the effect that (i) the Independent Advisor will operate pursuant to procedures consistent with maintaining his or her independence from the Servicer and its Affiliates, (ii) the Independent Advisor will have the sole authority and discretion to approve or reject purchase proposals made by the Servicer with respect to any Special Procedures Obligation, (iii) all proposals for the Issuer to acquire any Special Procedures Obligation will be first submitted to the Independent Advisor, (iii) the Servicer will prepare the materials it deems necessary to describe the Special Procedures Obligation to the Independent Advisor, (iv) the Investment Advisor will not be required to make any decision to accept or decline a Special Procedures Obligation at the price offered prior to its review of the materials prepared, plus any additional information requested by the Independent Advisor, and (v) no Independent Advisor may be proposed to be replaced by the Servicer, unless for cause or in the event of a resignation of such Independent Advisor; and

(c) such other commercially reasonable terms and conditions, including terms and conditions to the effect that (i) the Independent Advisor will be paid a reasonable fee for its services plus reimbursement of any reasonable expenses incurred in performance of his or her responsibilities, (ii) the Independent Advisor may be removed or replaced only by a majority (whether by positive act or failure to object) of the probable equity owners (as determined for United States federal income tax purposes) of the Issuer, (iii) if at any time there is more than one Independent Advisor to the Issuer, a majority of such Independent Advisors must approve any Special Procedures Obligation subject to Independent Advisor approval, (iv) an Independent Advisor may not engage, directly or indirectly, in the negotiation of the terms of any Special Procedures Obligation to be acquired by the Issuer (provided however, that an Independent Advisor may

negotiate with the Servicer or the seller with respect to the price and terms of the Issuer's purchase of the Special Procedures Obligation, provided further that the Independent Advisor will not make suggestions to the Servicer or any other person about alternative or modified terms of the underlying Special Procedures Obligation on which they might be willing to approve such a Special Procedures Obligation).

3. Any servicing agreement or other document under which the Servicer is granted signatory powers or other authority on behalf of the Issuer will provide that such powers or authority with respect to Special Procedures Obligations are conditioned upon the prior written approval of the Independent Advisor

4. No Special Procedures Obligation will be presented to an Independent Advisor until at least 90 days have elapsed since the later of (a) the execution of final documentation and (b) the funding in whole or part of the Special Procedures Obligation and there will have been no commitment or arrangement prior to that time that the Issuer will acquire any such Special Procedures Obligation; provided, further, that the Special Procedures Obligation will not be treated as outstanding for any day on which the Issuer enjoys the benefits and burdens of ownership (for example, because any Person has hedged its credit exposure to the Special Procedures Obligation with the Issuer).

5. The Issuer will have no obligation to, or understanding that it will refund, reimburse or indemnify any person (including an Affiliate of the Servicer), directly or indirectly, for "breakage" costs or other costs or expenses incurred by such person if the Independent Advisor determines that the Issuer should decline to purchase any Special Procedures Obligation.

6. Neither the Servicer nor any Affiliate of the Servicer will have any authority to enter into agreements, or take any action, on behalf of the Issuer with respect to Special Procedures Obligations without the prior written approval of an Independent Advisor. Except as may be conditioned upon such prior written approval, neither the Servicer nor any Affiliate of the Servicer may hold itself out as having signatory powers on behalf of the Issuer or authority to enter into agreements with respect to Special Procedures Obligations on behalf of the Issuer.

#### Section V. Synthetic Securities.

A. The Issuer shall not (i) acquire or enter into any Synthetic Security with respect to any Reference Obligation the direct acquisition of which would violate any provision of this Annex 1 or (ii) use Synthetic Securities as a means of making advances to the Synthetic Security Counterparty following the date on which the Synthetic Security is acquired or entered into (for the avoidance of doubt, the establishment of Synthetic Security collateral accounts and the payment of Synthetic Security Counterparties from the amounts on deposit therein, shall not constitute the making of advances).

B. With respect to each Synthetic Security, the Issuer will not acquire or enter into any Synthetic Security that does not satisfy all of the following additional criteria unless the Servicer has first received advice of counsel that the ownership and disposition of such Synthetic Security would not cause the Issuer to be engaged in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes:

1. the criteria used to determine whether to enter into any particular Synthetic Security was similar to the criteria used by the Servicer in making purchase decisions with respect to debt securities;
2. the Synthetic Security is acquired by or entered into by the Issuer for its own account and for investment purposes with the expectation of realizing a profit from income earned on the securities (and any potential rise in their value) during the interval of time between their purchase and sale or hedging purposes and not with an intention to trade or to sell for a short-term profit;
3. the Issuer enters into the Synthetic Security with a counterparty that is not a special purpose vehicle and is a broker-dealer or that holds itself out as in the business of entering into such contracts;
4. neither the Issuer nor any Person acting on behalf of the Issuer advertises or publishes the Issuer's ability to enter into Synthetic Securities;
5. except with respect to (x) credit-linked notes or similar Synthetic Securities and (y) any other Synthetic Securities where standard form ISDA documentation is not applicable, the Synthetic Security is written on standard form ISDA documentation;
6. the net payment from the Issuer to the Synthetic Security Counterparty is not determined based on an actual loss incurred by the Synthetic Security Counterparty or any other designated person;
7. there exists no agreement, arrangement or understanding that (i) the Synthetic Security Counterparty is required to own or hold the related Reference Obligation while the Synthetic Security remains in effect or (ii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty is economically or practically compelled to own or hold the related physical Reference Obligation while the Synthetic Security remains in effect;
8. the Synthetic Security provides for (i) all cash settlement, (ii) all physical settlement or (iii) the option to either cash settle or physically settle; provided that, in the latter two cases, physical settlement provides the settling party the right to settle the Synthetic Security by delivering deliverable obligations which *may* include the Reference Obligation and the settling party must not be required to deliver the related Reference Obligation upon the settlement of such Synthetic Security.

Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, a Synthetic Security providing for physical settlement may require a party to deliver the related Reference Obligation if either:

(i) at the time the Issuer enters into such Synthetic Security, such Reference Obligation is readily available to purchasers generally in a liquid market; or

(ii) the advice of both United States federal income tax and insurance counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters is that, under the relevant facts and circumstances with respect to such Synthetic Security, the acquisition of such Synthetic Security will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis and should not cause the Issuer to be treated as writing insurance in the United States under the law of the state in which the Synthetic Security Counterparty is organized.

9. the Synthetic Security is not treated by the Issuer as insurance or a financial guarantee sold by the Issuer for United States or Cayman Islands regulatory purposes.

As used herein:

“Reference Obligation” means a debt security or other obligation upon which a Synthetic Security is based.

“Synthetic Security” means any swap transaction or security, other than a participation interest in a Loan, that has payments associated with either payments of interest and/or principal on a Reference Obligation or the credit performance of a Reference Obligation.

“Synthetic Security Counterparty” means an entity (other than the Issuer) required to make payments on a Synthetic Security (including any guarantor).

## Section VI. Other Types of Assets.

A. Equity Restrictions. The Issuer will not purchase any asset (directly or synthetically) that is:

1. not treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as debt if the issuing entity is a “partnership”(within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(2) of the Code) unless such entity is not engaged in a trade or business within the United States, or

2. a “United States real property interest” as defined in section 897 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.

3. a residual interest in a “REMIC” or an ownership interest in a “FASIT” (as such terms are as defined in the Code).

The Issuer may cause an Issuer Subsidiary to acquire assets set forth in clause (i) or (ii) above (each, an “ETB/897 Asset”) in connection with the workout of defaulted Portfolio Obligations, so long as the acquisition of ETB/897 Assets by such Issuer Subsidiary will not cause the stock of such Issuer Subsidiary to be deemed to be an ETB/897 Asset.

B. Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans. All of the terms of any advance required to be made by the Issuer under any revolving or delayed drawdown Loan will be fixed as of the date of the Issuer’s purchase thereof (or will be determinable under a formula that is fixed as of such date), and the Issuer and the Servicer will not have any discretion (except for consenting or withholding consent to amendments, waivers or other modifications or granting customary waivers upon default) as to whether to make advances under such revolving or delayed drawdown Loan.

C. Securities Lending Agreements. The Issuer will not purchase any Portfolio Obligation primarily for the purpose of entering into a securities lending agreement with respect thereto.

D. Exception From Secondary Market Rule for Debt Securities. Any purchase of a Portfolio Obligation other than a Loan (a “Debt Security”) pursuant to a commitment, arrangement or other understanding made before or contemporaneously with completion of the closing and funding of such Debt Security issuance shall be made only in connection with one of the following:

(i) an underwriting of a registered public offering in which the seller has made a firm underwriting commitment to the issuer of such Debt Security where none of the Servicer or any Affiliate thereof acted as an underwriter or placement agent or participated in negotiating or structuring the terms of the Debt Security (other than to comment on offering documents to an unrelated underwriter or placement agent where the ability to comment was generally available to investors and to undertake due diligence of the kind customarily performed by investors in securities),

(ii) a private placement to qualified investors (pursuant to Rule 144A or Section 4(2) under the Securities Act or other similar arrangement) in which such Debt Security was originally issued pursuant to an offering circular, private placement memorandum, or similar offering document and none of the Servicer or any Affiliate thereof acted as a placement agent or underwriter or participated in negotiating or structuring the terms of the Debt Security (other than to comment on offering documents to an unrelated underwriter or placement agent where the ability to comment was generally available to investors and to undertake due diligence of the kind customarily performed by investors in securities), or

(iii) an acquisition of or entry into a Synthetic Obligation in accordance with Section V. above;

If an Affiliate of the Servicer is acting as an underwriter or placement agent or an Affiliate of the Servicer or an employee of an Affiliate of the Servicer participated in the structuring of an issuance otherwise described in clause (i) or clause (ii) of this paragraph D, one of the following additional conditions must be met:

(x) the Servicer did not participate in negotiating or structuring the terms of the obligation or security (other than to comment on offering documents to an unrelated underwriter or placement agent where the ability to comment was generally available to investors and to undertake due diligence of the kind customarily performed by investors in securities) and the Issuer purchases no more than 33% of the aggregate principal amount of the tranche of securities (or other instruments) of which such Debt Security is a part and more than 50% of the aggregate principal amount of such tranche is substantially contemporaneously sold to one or more Persons unrelated to the Servicer (and who have not given the Servicer discretionary trading authority) on terms and conditions substantially the same as those on which the Issuer is to purchase,

(y) the Servicer did not participate in negotiating or structuring the terms of the obligation or security (other than to comment on offering documents to an unrelated underwriter or placement agent where the ability to comment was generally available to investors and to undertake due diligence of the kind customarily performed by investors in securities) and the Issuer purchases less than 33% of the aggregate principal amount of all tranches issued as part of the transaction in which the Debt Security was issued and more than 50% of the aggregate principal amount of such tranches are substantially contemporaneously sold to one or more Persons unrelated to the Servicer (and who have not given the Servicer discretionary trading authority) on terms and conditions substantially the same as those on which the Issuer is to purchase, or

(z) such security or obligation satisfies the requirements and procedures applicable to Special Procedures Obligations in Section IV as though it were a Loan;

provided, however, in either of (x) or (y), the Affiliate of the Servicer was (or the employees of the Affiliate of the Servicer were) acting as an underwriter or placement agent (or otherwise participated in the structuring of such issuance) solely as, or solely as an employee of, a Permitted Affiliate (as defined below).

“Permitted Affiliate” means any Affiliate (i) that is a separate legal entity that is operated independently of the Servicer, (ii) whose personnel are not managed by and who do not report to the personnel of the Servicer, and (iii) whose personnel are not compensated based upon the performance of the Servicer.

Section VII. General Restrictions on the Issuer. The Issuer itself shall not:

A. hold itself out, through advertising or otherwise, as originating Loans, lending funds, or making a market in or dealing in Loans or other assets;



B. register as, hold itself out as, or become subject to regulatory supervision or other legal requirements under the laws of any country or political subdivision thereof as, a broker-dealer, a bank, an insurance company, financial guarantor, a surety bond issuer, or a company engaged in Loan origination;

C. knowingly take any action causing it to be treated as a bank, insurance company, or company engaged in Loan origination for purposes of any tax, securities law or other filing or submission made to any governmental authority;

D. hold itself out, through advertising or otherwise, as originating, funding, guaranteeing or insuring debt obligations or as being willing and able to enter into transactions (either purchases or sales of debt obligations or entries into, assignments or terminations of hedging or derivative instruments, including Synthetic Securities) at the request of others;

E. treat Synthetic Securities as insurance, reinsurance, indemnity bonds, guaranties, guaranty bonds or suretyship contracts for any purpose;

F. allow any non-U.S. bank or lending institution who is a holder of a Security to control or direct the Servicer's or Issuer's decision to acquire a particular asset except as otherwise allowed to such a holder, acting in that capacity, under the related indenture or acquire a Portfolio Obligation conditioned upon a particular person or entity holding Securities;

G. acquire any asset the holding or acquisition of which the Servicer knows would cause the Issuer to be subject to income tax on a net income basis;

H. hold any security as nominee for another person; or

I. buy securities with the intent to subdivide them and sell the components or to buy securities and sell them with different securities as a package or unit.

#### Section VIII. Tax Opinion; Amendments.

A. In furtherance and not in limitation of this Annex 1, the Servicer shall comply with all of the provisions set forth in this Annex 1, unless, with respect to a particular transaction, the Servicer acting on behalf of the Issuer and the Trustee shall have received written advice of counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters (a "Tax Opinion"), that, under the relevant facts and circumstances with respect to such transaction, the Servicer's failure to comply with one or more of such provisions will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis.

B. The provisions set forth in the Annex 1 may be amended, eliminated or supplemented by the Servicer if the Issuer, the Servicer and the Trustee shall have received a Tax Opinion that the Servicer's compliance with such amended provisions or supplemental provisions or the failure to comply with such provisions proposed to be

eliminated, as the case may be, will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis.

## **EXHIBIT K**

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

**Attached please find an electronic copy of the Offering Memorandum (the “Offering Memorandum”), dated December 18, 2006 relating to the offering of certain securities of Brentwood CLO, Ltd. and Brentwood CLO, Corp.**

**The Offering Memorandum is highly confidential and does not constitute an offer to any person, other than the recipient, or to the public generally to subscribe for or otherwise acquire any of the securities described therein. The Offering Memorandum is subject to completion and amendment.**

**The securities described in the Offering Memorandum may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time a final offering memorandum is delivered in final form.**

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## OFFERING MEMORANDUM

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## Brentwood CLO, Ltd. Brentwood CLO, Corp.

**U.S.\$388,700,000 Class A-1A Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2022**  
**U.S.\$75,000,000 Class A-1B Delayed Drawdown Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2022**  
**U.S.\$51,500,000 Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2022**  
**U.S.\$68,600,000 Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2022**  
**U.S.\$23,800,000 Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2022**  
**U.S.\$21,000,000 Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2022**  
**34,400 Class I Preference Shares**  
**37,000 Class II Preference Shares**

Brentwood CLO, Ltd. (the “**Issuer**”) and Brentwood CLO, Corp. (the “**Co-Issuer**” and, together with the Issuer, the “**Co-Issuers**”) will issue the Class A-1A Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the “**Class A-1A Notes**”), the Class A-1B Delayed Drawdown Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the “**Class A-1B Notes**” and, together with the Class A-1A Notes, the “**Class A-1 Notes**”), the Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the “**Class A-2 Notes**” and, together with the Class A-1 Notes, the “**Class A Notes**”), the Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes (the “**Class B Notes**”), the Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes (the “**Class C Notes**” and, together with the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes, the “**Senior Notes**”) and the Issuer will issue the Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes (the “**Class D Notes**” and, together with the Senior Notes, the “**Notes**”), the Class I Preference Shares (the “**Class I Preference Shares**”) and the Class II Preference Shares (the “**Class II Preference Shares**” and, together with the Class I Preference Shares, the “**Preference Shares**” and, together with the Notes, the “**Securities**”), U.S.\$ 0.01 par value per share, in each case in the aggregate principal amounts or number of Preference Shares as described above. The Notes will be issued on or about December 21, 2006 (the “**Closing Date**”) pursuant to an indenture, dated as of the Closing Date (the “**Indenture**”), among the Co-Issuers and Investors Bank & Trust Company, as Trustee (the “**Trustee**”). The Preference Shares will be issued on or about the Closing Date pursuant to and subject to the terms of the Preference Share Documents. The Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares are subject to multiple extensions to the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (in the case of the Notes) and the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (in the case of the Preference Shares), if the Issuer provides timely notice and the Extension Conditions are satisfied as described herein.

The net proceeds of the offering of the Securities will be applied by the Issuer to repurchase participation interests in certain Collateral Obligations sold to finance the purchase of such Collateral Obligations prior to the Closing Date and to purchase additional Collateral Obligations on and after the Closing Date, all of which will be pledged under the Indenture by the Issuer to the Trustee for the benefit of the secured parties named therein. See “Use of Proceeds.” Certain pledged assets of the Issuer are the sole source of payments on the Notes. The Securities do not represent an interest in or obligations of, and are not insured or guaranteed by, the Trustee, the Servicer, Banc of America Securities LLC or any of their respective affiliates.

Highland Capital Management, L.P. (“**Highland Capital**”) will service the Issuer’s portfolio (in such capacity, the “**Servicer**”).

The Securities are being offered from time to time in negotiated transactions at varying prices determined at the time of each sale.

This Offering Memorandum will constitute a prospectus (the “**Prospectus**”) for the purposes of Directive 2003/71/EC (the “**Prospectus Directive**”). Application will be made to the Irish Financial Services Regulatory Authority (“**IFSR**”), as competent authority under the Prospectus Directive for this Prospectus to be approved. Application will be made to the Irish Stock Exchange for the Senior Notes to be admitted to the Official List and trading on its regulated market. There can be no assurance that any listing will be obtained and, if any listing is obtained, there is no assurance that it will be maintained.

**Investing in the Securities involves risks. See “Risk Factors” beginning on page 30.**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN, AND WILL NOT BE, REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “**SECURITIES ACT**”) AND NEITHER THE ISSUER NOR THE CO-ISSUER HAS BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**”). THE SENIOR NOTES WILL BE OFFERED AND SOLD TO NON-U.S. PERSONS (AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT (“**REGULATION S**”)) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN RELIANCE ON REGULATION S. THE SENIOR NOTES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, U.S. PERSONS EXCEPT TO PERSONS THAT ARE (I) QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYERS (EACH, A “**QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER**”) (AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT (“**RULE 144A**”)) IN RELIANCE ON THE EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS PROVIDED BY SECTION 4(2) OF THE SECURITIES ACT (“**SECTION 4(2)**”) AND (II) QUALIFIED PURCHASERS FOR PURPOSES OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT (“**SECTION 3(c)(7)**”) (EACH, A “**QUALIFIED PURCHASER**”). THE CLASS D NOTES WILL BE OFFERED AND SOLD ONLY TO PERSONS THAT ARE (I)(A) QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYERS OR (B) INSTITUTIONAL ACCREDITED INVESTORS (EACH, AN “**INSTITUTIONAL ACCREDITED INVESTOR**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 501(a)(1), (2), (3) OR (7) OF REGULATION D, BOTH IN RELIANCE ON THE EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS PROVIDED BY SECTION 4(2) AND (II) QUALIFIED PURCHASERS. THE PREFERENCE SHARES WILL BE OFFERED AND SOLD ONLY TO PERSONS THAT ARE (I) QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYERS IN RELIANCE ON THE EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS PROVIDED BY SECTION 4(2) AND (II) QUALIFIED PURCHASERS. THE SECURITIES ARE NOT TRANSFERABLE EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS DESCRIBED UNDER “TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS.”

Class of Notes	Principal Amount	Note Interest Rate	Expected Ratings (S&P/Moody’s <sup>(1)</sup> )	Stated Maturity Date
Class A-1A Notes	U.S.\$388,700,000	LIBOR+0.27%	AAA/Aaa	February 1, 2022
Class A-1B Notes	U.S.\$75,000,000 <sup>(2)</sup>	LIBOR+0.27%	AAA/Aaa	February 1, 2022
Class A-2 Notes	U.S.\$51,500,000	LIBOR+0.038%	AAA/Aaa	February 1, 2022
Class B Notes	U.S.\$68,600,000	LIBOR+0.82%	A/A2	February 1, 2022
Class C Notes	U.S.\$23,800,000	LIBOR+1.60%	BBB/Baa2	February 1, 2022
Class D Notes	U.S.\$21,000,000	LIBOR+3.75%	BB/Ba2	February 1, 2022
Class I Preference Shares	U.S.\$34,400,000	N/A	NR	N/A
Class II Preference Shares	U.S.\$37,000,000	N/A	NR	N/A

(1) “NR” means the referenced Securities are not rated.

(2) Reflects 100% of the Fully Drawn Amount of the Class A-1B Notes.

The Notes other than the Notes offered and sold directly by the Co-Issuers to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates (the “**Placed Notes**”) will be offered by the Co-Issuers on a reasonable efforts basis through Banc of America Securities LLC (the “**Placement Agent**”) from time to time at varying prices in negotiated transactions subject to prior sale, when, as and if issued. The Placement Agent reserves the right to withdraw, cancel or modify such offer and to reject orders in whole or in part. On or about the Closing Date, (i) all of the Class I Preference Shares will be offered and sold directly by the Issuer to Brentwood Investors Corp., an exempted limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands (“**Investors Corp.**”) and (ii) all of the Class II Preference Shares will be offered and sold by the Issuer directly to Highland Financial Partners, L.P. (“**HFP**”) (an Affiliate of the Servicer) and/or one or more of its subsidiaries. The Placement Agent is not acting as placement agent or initial purchaser with respect to the offering of the Preference Shares.

## Banc of America Securities LLC

The date of this Offering Memorandum is December 18, 2006

Payment of interest and, in the case of the Class A-1B Notes and to the extent applicable, Delayed Drawdown Fee on, and principal of, the Notes will be made by the Issuer in U.S. Dollars on the first day of each February, May, August and November of each year (or if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day) (each such date a “**Payment Date**”), commencing May 1, 2007, to the extent of available cash flow in respect of the Collateral in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Each Class of Notes will bear interest at the per annum rates set forth under “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.” The Preference Shares will receive as dividends certain amounts available for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares (or, in certain circumstances, Eligible Equity Securities) in accordance with the Priority of Payments. In addition, Holders of the Class II Preference Shares are entitled, subject to any restrictions under Cayman Islands law, to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, which payments shall be in an amount equivalent to the proceeds that would otherwise constitute Servicing Fees payable to the Servicer on any Payment Date occurring on or before February 3, 2008. After the Payment Date occurring in February, 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Issuer to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares from time to time as a Class II Preference Share Special Payment. See “Description of the Securities—Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Preference Shares from Interest Proceeds” and “—Priority of Payments.”

The Notes will be subject to Optional Redemption in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period, in each case at the direction of the applicable Required Redemption Percentage. The Notes will be subject to mandatory redemption on any Payment Date, to the extent that any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied, as described herein. The Notes will be subject to Special Redemption, at the discretion of the Servicer, to the extent that at any time during the Replacement Period, the Servicer cannot identify satisfactory additional or replacement Collateral Obligations. After redemption in full of the Notes, the Preference Shares will be subject to Optional Redemption in whole or in part on any Payment Date by the Issuer at the direction of the Holders of the requisite percentage of the Preference Shares at the applicable Redemption Price pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted; *provided, however*, that the Preference Shares must be redeemed on or prior to the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. See “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption,” “—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes,” “—Special Redemption of Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture” and “—Priority of Payments.” The principal amount of the Notes will be payable at the Stated Maturity, unless redeemed or paid in full prior thereto. The Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed at their Redemption Price on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, unless redeemed prior thereto.

Certain pledged assets of the Issuer are the sole source of payments on the Securities. The Securities do not represent an interest in or obligations of, and are not insured or guaranteed by, the Holders of the Preference Shares, the Servicer, the Trustee, any paying agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Administrator, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty or any of their respective Affiliates.

**Application will be made to list the Senior Notes on the Irish Stock Exchange (the “ISE”). However, there can be no assurance that the ISE will in fact accept the listing of the Senior Notes or, if accepted, that such listing will be maintained.**

It is a condition of the issuance of the Securities that (i) the Class A-1A Notes be rated “Aaa” by Moody’s Investors Service, Inc. (“**Moody’s**”) and “AAA” by Standard & Poor’s Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. (“**S&P**” and, together with Moody’s, the “**Rating Agencies**”), (ii) the Class A-1B Notes be rated at least “Aaa” by Moody’s and at least “AAA” by S&P, (iii) the Class A-2 Notes be rated at least “Aaa” by Moody’s and at least “AAA” by S&P, (iv) the Class B Notes be rated at least “A2” by Moody’s and at least “A” by S&P, (v) the Class C Notes be rated at least “Baa2” by Moody’s and at least “BBB” by S&P and (vi) the Class D Notes be rated at least “Ba2” by Moody’s and at least “BB” by S&P. Each of the above ratings assumes that no Maturity Extension occurs after the

Closing Date. A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning Rating Agency. The Preference Shares will not be rated by any credit rating agency.

No person has been authorized to make or provide any representation or information regarding the Co-Issuers or the Securities other than as contained in this Offering Memorandum. Any such representation or information should not be relied upon as having been authorized by the Co-Issuers or the Placement Agent. The delivery of this Offering Memorandum at any time does not imply that the information contained in it is correct as of any time subsequent to the date of this Offering Memorandum. The Co-Issuers disclaim any obligation to update such information and do not intend to do so. Unless otherwise indicated, all information in this Offering Memorandum is given as of the date of this Offering Memorandum.

This Offering Memorandum has been prepared by the Co-Issuers solely for use in connection with the listing of the Senior Notes and the offering of the Securities as described herein. Unless as otherwise provided herein, the Co-Issuers have taken reasonable care to ensure that facts stated in this Offering Memorandum are true and accurate in all material respects and that there have not been omitted material facts the omission of which would make misleading in any material respect any statements of fact or opinion herein. The Co-Issuers accept responsibility accordingly.

The information appearing in the section entitled “The Servicer” has been prepared by the Servicer and has not been independently verified by the Placement Agent or the Co-Issuers. The Placement Agent and the Co-Issuers do not assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness, or applicability of such information, except that the Co-Issuers assume responsibility for accurately reproducing such information in this Offering Memorandum.

None of the Placement Agent, the Servicer (except with respect to the section entitled “The Servicer”), the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent or the Trustee makes any representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the accuracy or completeness of the information in this Offering Memorandum. Each person receiving this Offering Memorandum acknowledges that such person has not relied on the Placement Agent, the Servicer (except with respect to the section entitled “The Servicer”), the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent or the Trustee or any person affiliated therewith, in connection with its investigation of the accuracy of such information or its investment decision. Each person contemplating making an investment in the Securities must make its own investigation and analysis of the creditworthiness of the Co-Issuers and its own determination of the suitability of any such investment, with particular reference to its own investment objectives and experience, and any other factors that may be relevant to it in connection with such investment.

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION OR OTHER REGULATORY AUTHORITY, AND NONE OF THE FOREGOING AUTHORITIES HAS CONFIRMED THE ACCURACY OR DETERMINED THE ADEQUACY OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

This Offering Memorandum contains summaries of certain documents. The summaries do not purport to be complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to such documents. Each person receiving this Offering Memorandum acknowledges that such person has been afforded an opportunity to request from the Issuer and to review, and has received, all additional information considered by such person to be necessary to verify the accuracy and completeness of the information herein. Requests and inquiries regarding this Offering Memorandum or such documents should be directed to the Issuer, in care of Banc of America Securities LLC, 9 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street, New York, New York, 10019, Attention: Structured Securities Group—CDO Structuring. Such requests may also be made to the Listing Agent at the address set forth on the final page of this Offering Memorandum.

The Securities are a new issue of securities. There can be no assurance that a secondary market for any of the Securities will develop, or if a secondary market does develop, that it will provide the Holders of such Securities with liquidity of investment or that it will continue. Accordingly, investors should be prepared to bear the risks of holding the Securities until final payment is made thereon.

THE CONTENTS OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM ARE NOT TO BE CONSTRUED AS ACCOUNTING, LEGAL, BUSINESS OR TAX ADVICE. EACH PROSPECTIVE INVESTOR SHOULD CONSULT ITS OWN ACCOUNTANT, ATTORNEY, BUSINESS ADVISOR AND TAX ADVISOR AS TO LEGAL, BUSINESS AND TAX ADVICE. NONE OF THE CO-ISSUERS, THE PLACEMENT AGENT, THE SERVICER OR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES MAKES ANY REPRESENTATION TO ANY OFFEREE OF THE SECURITIES REGARDING THE LEGALITY OF AN INVESTMENT THEREIN BY SUCH OFFEREE UNDER APPLICABLE LEGAL INVESTMENT OR SIMILAR LAWS OR REGULATIONS OR THE PROPER CLASSIFICATION OF SUCH AN INVESTMENT THEREUNDER.

This Offering Memorandum does not constitute an offer of, or an invitation by or on behalf of, the Co-Issuers or the Placement Agent to subscribe to or purchase any of the Securities in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful to make such an offer or invitation. The distribution of this Offering Memorandum and the offering of the Securities in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law. Persons into whose possession this Offering Memorandum comes are required by the Co-Issuers and the Placement Agent to inform themselves about and to observe any such restrictions. For a description of certain further restrictions on offers and sales of Securities and distribution of this Offering Memorandum, see “Description of the Securities,” “Plan of Distribution” and “Transfer Restrictions.”

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has been registered under the Investment Company Act in reliance on an exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Section 3(c)(7). Each purchaser of Senior Notes represented by an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will be deemed to represent and agree and each purchaser of a Certificated Class A-1B Note or Class D Note will be required to represent and agree that (i) the purchaser is acquiring such Notes in a principal amount of not less than U.S.\$250,000 (or, in the case of the Class D Notes, U.S.\$100,000), and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof for such purchaser and each account for which such purchaser is purchasing such Notes and (ii) the purchaser and each such account is a Qualified Purchaser for purposes of Section 3(c)(7). Each purchaser of Preference Shares will be required to represent and agree that (i) the purchaser is acquiring such Preference Shares in a number of not less than 100 Preference Shares and in integral multiples of one Preference Share in excess thereof for such purchaser and (ii) the purchaser and each account for which such purchaser is purchasing such Preference Shares is a Qualified Purchaser. See “Transfer Restrictions.”

The Issuer and the Co-Issuer may, at any time following the Closing Date, rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act (“**Rule 3a-7**”) in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7) upon (a) receipt of an opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm providing that neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer is required to register as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on such exclusion under Rule 3a-7 and (b) notice to the Holders of the Securities in accordance with the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. In connection with the Issuer’s reliance on Rule 3a-7 in lieu of Section 3(c)(7), the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents may be amended without the consent of any Holders and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7.



Prospective purchasers are hereby notified that a seller of the Securities may be relying on an exemption from the registration requirements of Section 5 of the United States Securities Act of 1933 provided by Section 4(2).

In this Offering Memorandum, references to “Dollars,” “\$” and “U.S.\$” are dollars or other equivalent units in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for all debts, public and private.

**NO ACTION WAS TAKEN OR IS BEING CONTEMPLATED BY THE CO-ISSUERS THAT WOULD PERMIT A PUBLIC OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES OR POSSESSION OR DISTRIBUTION OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY AMENDMENT THEREOF, OR SUPPLEMENT THERETO OR ANY OTHER OFFERING MATERIAL RELATING TO THE SECURITIES IN ANY JURISDICTION WHERE, OR IN ANY OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH, ACTION FOR THOSE PURPOSES IS REQUIRED. NOTHING CONTAINED HEREIN SHALL CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO SELL OR A SOLICITATION OF AN OFFER TO PURCHASE ANY SECURITIES IN ANY JURISDICTION WHERE IT IS UNLAWFUL TO DO SO ABSENT THE TAKING OF SUCH ACTION OR THE AVAILABILITY OF AN EXEMPTION THEREFROM.**

#### **NOTICE TO NEW HAMPSHIRE RESIDENTS**

**NEITHER THE FACT THAT A REGISTRATION STATEMENT OR AN APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE HAS BEEN FILED UNDER CHAPTER 421-B OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE REVISED STATUTES (“RSA 421-B”) WITH THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE NOR THE FACT THAT A SECURITY IS EFFECTIVELY REGISTERED OR A PERSON IS LICENSED IN THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CONSTITUTES A FINDING BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE THAT ANY DOCUMENT FILED UNDER RSA 421-B IS TRUE, COMPLETE AND NOT MISLEADING. NEITHER ANY SUCH FACT NOR THE FACT THAT AN EXEMPTION OR EXCEPTION IS AVAILABLE FOR A SECURITY OR A TRANSACTION MEANS THAT THE SECRETARY OF STATE HAS PASSED IN ANY WAY UPON THE MERITS OR QUALIFICATIONS OF, OR RECOMMENDED OR GIVEN APPROVAL TO, ANY PERSON, SECURITY, OR TRANSACTION. IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE, OR CAUSE TO BE MADE, TO ANY PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER, CUSTOMER, OR CLIENT ANY REPRESENTATION INCONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PARAGRAPH.**

#### **NOTICE TO FLORIDA RESIDENTS**

THE SECURITIES ARE OFFERED PURSUANT TO A CLAIM OF EXEMPTION UNDER SECTION 517.061 OF THE FLORIDA SECURITIES ACT AND HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER SAID ACT IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA. ALL FLORIDA RESIDENTS WHO ARE NOT INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 517.061(7) OF THE FLORIDA SECURITIES ACT HAVE THE RIGHT TO VOID THEIR PURCHASE OF THE SECURITIES WITHOUT PENALTY WITHIN THREE (3) DAYS AFTER THE FIRST TENDER OF CONSIDERATION.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF CAYMAN ISLANDS**

NO INVITATION MAY BE MADE TO THE PUBLIC IN THE CAYMAN ISLANDS TO SUBSCRIBE FOR THE SECURITIES UNLESS THE ISSUER IS LISTED ON THE CAYMAN ISLANDS STOCK EXCHANGE.

## **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AREA**

IN RELATION TO EACH MEMBER STATE OF THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AREA WHICH HAS IMPLEMENTED THE PROSPECTUS DIRECTIVE (AS DEFINED BELOW) (EACH, A **“RELEVANT MEMBER STATE”**), THE INITIAL PURCHASER HAS REPRESENTED AND AGREED THAT WITH EFFECT FROM AND INCLUDING THE DATE ON WHICH THE PROSPECTUS DIRECTIVE IS IMPLEMENTED IN THAT RELEVANT MEMBER STATE (THE **“RELEVANT IMPLEMENTATION DATE”**) IT HAS NOT MADE AND WILL NOT MAKE AN OFFER OF THE NOTES OFFERED HEREBY TO THE PUBLIC IN THAT RELEVANT MEMBER STATE PRIOR TO THE PUBLICATION OF A PROSPECTUS IN RELATION TO THE NOTES OFFERED HEREBY WHICH HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE COMPETENT AUTHORITY IN THAT RELEVANT MEMBER STATE OR, WHERE APPROPRIATE, APPROVED IN ANOTHER RELEVANT MEMBER STATE AND NOTIFIED TO THE COMPETENT AUTHORITY IN THAT RELEVANT MEMBER STATE, ALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROSPECTUS DIRECTIVE, EXCEPT THAT IT MAY, WITH EFFECT FROM AND INCLUDING THE RELEVANT IMPLEMENTATION DATE, MAKE AN OFFER OF THE NOTES OFFERED HEREBY TO THE PUBLIC IN THAT RELEVANT MEMBER STATE AT ANY TIME:

(A) TO LEGAL ENTITIES WHICH ARE AUTHORIZED OR REGULATED TO OPERATE IN THE FINANCIAL MARKETS OR, IF NOT SO AUTHORIZED OR REGULATED, WHOSE CORPORATE PURPOSE IS SOLELY TO INVEST IN SECURITIES:

(B) TO ANY LEGAL ENTITY WHICH HAS TWO OR MORE OF (1) AN AVERAGE OF AT LEAST 250 EMPLOYEES DURING THE LAST FINANCIAL YEAR; (2) A TOTAL BALANCE SHEET OF MORE THAN €43,000,000 AND (3) AN ANNUAL NET TURNOVER OF MORE THAN €50,000,000, AS SHOWN IN ITS LAST ANNUAL OR CONSOLIDATED ACCOUNTS; OR

(C) IN ANY OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH DO NOT REQUIRE THE PUBLICATION BY THE ISSUER OF A PROSPECTUS PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 3 OF THE PROSPECTUS DIRECTIVE.

FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS PROVISION, THE EXPRESSION AN “OFFER OF CERTIFICATES TO THE PUBLIC” IN RELATION TO ANY CERTIFICATES IN ANY RELEVANT MEMBER STATE MEANS THE COMMUNICATION IN ANY FORM AND BY ANY MEANS OF SUFFICIENT INFORMATION ON THE TERMS OF THE OFFER AND THE CERTIFICATES TO BE OFFERED SO AS TO ENABLE AN INVESTOR TO DECIDE TO PURCHASE OR SUBSCRIBE THE NOTES OFFERED HEREBY, AS THE SAME MAY BE VARIED IN THAT MEMBER STATE BY ANY MEASURE IMPLEMENTING THE PROSPECTUS DIRECTIVE IN THAT MEMBER STATE AND THE EXPRESSION “PROSPECTUS DIRECTIVE” MEANS DIRECTIVE 2003/71/EC AND INCLUDES ANY RELEVANT IMPLEMENTING MEASURE IN EACH RELEVANT MEMBER STATE.

## **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS ONLY BEING DISTRIBUTED TO AND IS ONLY DIRECTED AT (I) PERSONS WHO ARE OUTSIDE THE UNITED KINGDOM, (II) INVESTMENT PROFESSIONALS FALLING WITHIN ARTICLE 19(5) OF THE FINANCIAL SERVICES AND MARKETS ACT 2000 (**“FSMA”**) (FINANCIAL PROMOTION) ORDER 2005 (THE **“ORDER”**) OR (III) HIGH NET WORTH ENTITIES, AND OTHER PERSONS TO WHOM IT MAY LAWFULLY BE COMMUNICATED, FALLING WITHIN ARTICLE 49(2)(a) TO (e) OF THE ORDER (ALL SUCH PERSONS TOGETHER BEING REFERRED TO AS **“RELEVANT PERSONS”**). THE SECURITIES ARE AVAILABLE ONLY TO, AND ANY INVITATION, OFFER OR AGREEMENT TO SUBSCRIBE, PURCHASE OR OTHERWISE ACQUIRE SUCH SECURITIES WILL BE ENGAGED

IN ONLY WITH, RELEVANT PERSONS. ANY PERSON WHO IS NOT A RELEVANT PERSON SHOULD NOT ACT OR RELY ON THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY OF ITS CONTENTS.

A COPY OF THIS PROSPECTUS WILL BE FILED WITH THE IRISH FINANCIAL SERVICES REGULATORY AUTHORITY AND WILL BE ON DISPLAY AT THE OFFICES OF THE IRISH PAYING AGENT AND THE IRISH STOCK EXCHANGE FOR SO LONG AS ANY CLASS OF NOTES ARE LISTED ON THE IRISH STOCK EXCHANGE. SOLELY FOR PURPOSES OF IRISH STOCK EXCHANGE LISTING AND DIRECTIVE 2003/71/EC, REFERENCE THROUGHOUT THIS DOCUMENT TO “OFFERING MEMORANDUM” SHOULD BE TAKEN TO READ AS “PROSPECTUS”. THE DISTRIBUTION OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM AND THE OFFERING OF THE NOTES IN CERTAIN JURISDICTIONS MAY BE RESTRICTED BY LAW. PERSONS INTO WHOSE POSSESSION THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM (OR ANY PART THEREOF) COMES ARE REQUIRED BY THE ISSUER AND THE PLACEMENT AGENT TO INFORM THEMSELVES ABOUT AND TO OBSERVE ANY SUCH RESTRICTIONS.

### **AVAILABLE INFORMATION**

To permit compliance with Rule 144A in connection with the sale of the Securities, the Issuer (and, solely in the case of the Notes, the Co-Issuers) under the Indenture referred to under “Description of the Securities” and the Preference Share Documents will be required to furnish upon request of a holder of a Security to such holder and a prospective purchaser designated by such holder the information required to be delivered under Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act if at the time of the request the Co-Issuers are not reporting companies under Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “**Exchange Act**”), or exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act. Such information may be obtained directly from the Issuer or through the paying agent in Ireland at the address set forth on the final page of this Offering Memorandum.

### **FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS**

Any projections, forecasts and estimates contained herein are forward-looking statements and are based upon certain assumptions that the Co-Issuers consider reasonable. Projections are necessarily speculative in nature, and it can be expected that some or all of the assumptions underlying the projections will not materialize or will vary significantly from actual results. Accordingly, the projections are only an estimate. Actual results may vary from the projections, and the variations may be material.

Some important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in any forward-looking statements include changes in interest rates, market, financial or legal uncertainties, differences in the actual allocation of the Collateral Obligations among asset categories from those assumed, the timing of acquisitions and availability of the Collateral Obligations, the timing and frequency of defaults on the Collateral Obligations, mismatches between the timing of accrual and receipt of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds from the Collateral Obligations (particularly during the Ramp-Up Period) and defaults under Collateral Obligations, among other factors. Consequently, the inclusion of projections herein should not be regarded as a representation by either Co-Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Placement Agent or any of their respective Affiliates or any other person or entity of the results that will actually be achieved by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

None of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Collateral Manager, the Placement Agent nor their respective Affiliates has any obligation to update or otherwise revise any projections, including any revisions to reflect changes in economic conditions or other circumstances arising after the date hereof or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events, even if the underlying assumptions do not come to fruition.

## **INFORMATION AS TO SALE WITHIN THE UNITED STATES**

This Offering Memorandum is highly confidential and has been prepared by the Issuer solely for use in connection with this offering. This Offering Memorandum is personal to each offeree to whom it has been delivered by the Co-Issuers, the Placement Agent or Affiliates thereof and does not constitute an offer to any other person or to the public generally to subscribe for or otherwise acquire the Securities. Distribution of this Offering Memorandum to any persons other than the offeree and those persons, if any, retained to advise such offeree with respect thereto is unauthorized and any disclosure of any of its contents, without the prior written consent of the Issuer, is prohibited. Each prospective purchaser in the United States, by accepting delivery of this Offering Memorandum, agrees to the foregoing and to make no copies of this Offering Memorandum or any documents related hereto and, if the offeree does not purchase Securities or the offering is terminated, to return this Offering Memorandum and all documents attached hereto to: Banc of America Securities LLC, 9 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street, New York, New York, 10019, Attention: Structured Securities Group—CDO Structuring.

## **DISCLOSURE OF TAX STRUCTURE**

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, each prospective purchaser of the Securities (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) are hereby permitted to disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions described herein. For this purpose, the tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction, and the tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction.

**TO COMPLY WITH TREASURY DEPARTMENT CIRCULAR 230, YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT: (A) ANY DISCUSSION OF FEDERAL TAX ISSUES IN THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS NOT INTENDED OR WRITTEN TO BE USED, AND CANNOT BE USED BY YOU, FOR THE PURPOSE OF AVOIDING PENALTIES THAT MAY BE IMPOSED ON YOU UNDER THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE; (B) ANY SUCH DISCUSSION IS INCLUDED HEREIN BY THE ISSUERS IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROMOTION OR MARKETING (WITHIN THE MEANING OF CIRCULAR 230) BY THE ISSUERS OF THE TRANSACTIONS OR MATTERS ADDRESSED HEREIN; AND (C) YOU SHOULD SEEK ADVICE BASED ON YOUR PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCES FROM AN INDEPENDENT TAX ADVISOR.**

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## SUMMARY OF TERMS

*The following summary of terms does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by, and should be read in conjunction with, the more detailed information appearing elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum and the documents referred to in this Offering Memorandum. A Glossary and an Index of Defined Terms appear at the back of this Offering Memorandum.*

### Principal Terms of the Securities

	Class A-1A Notes	Class A-1B Notes	Class A-2 Notes	Class B Notes	Class C Notes	Class D Notes	Class I Preference Shares	Class II Preference Shares
Type	Senior Secured Extendable	Delayed Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Extendable	Extendable
Issuer(s)	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Issuer	Issuer	Issuer
Principal Amount / Face Amount	U.S.\$388,700,000	U.S.\$75,000,000 <sup>1</sup>	U.S.\$51,500,000	U.S.\$68,600,000	U.S.\$23,800,000	U.S.\$21,000,000	U.S.\$34,400,000 <sup>2</sup>	U.S.\$37,000,000 <sup>2</sup>
Expected Moody's Initial Rating	"Aaa"	"Aaa"	"Aaa"	"A2"	"Baa2"	"Ba2"	N/A	N/A
Expected S&P Initial Rating	"AAA"	"AAA"	"AAA"	"A"	"BBB"	"BB"	N/A	N/A
Note Interest Rate	LIBOR + 0.27%	LIBOR + 0.27% <sup>3</sup>	LIBOR + 0.38%	LIBOR + 0.82%	LIBOR + 1.60%	LIBOR + 3.75%	N/A	N/A
Stated Maturity / Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date <sup>4</sup>	February 1, 2022	February 1, 2022	February 1, 2022	February 1, 2022	February 1, 2022	February 1, 2022	February 1, 2022	February 1, 2022
Minimum Denominations <sup>5</sup>	U.S.\$250,000/ U.S.\$100,000 (U.S.\$1,000)	U.S.\$250,000/ U.S.\$100,000 (U.S.\$1,000)	U.S.\$250,000/ U.S.\$100,000 (U.S.\$1,000)	U.S.\$250,000/ U.S.\$100,000 (U.S.\$1,000)	U.S.\$250,000/ U.S.\$100,000 (U.S.\$1,000)	U.S.\$100,000 (U.S.\$1,000)	N/A	N/A
Priority Class	None	None	Class A-1 <sup>6</sup>	Class A	Class A, Class B	Class A, Class B, Class C	Class A, Class B, Class C, Class D	Class A, Class B, Class C, Class D
Junior Class	Class A-2 <sup>6</sup> , Class B, Class C, Class D, Preference Shares <sup>7</sup>	Class A-2 <sup>6</sup> , Class B, Class C, Class D, Preference Shares <sup>7</sup>	Class B, Class C, Class D, Preference Shares <sup>7</sup>	Class C, Class D, Preference Shares <sup>7</sup>	Class D, Preference Shares <sup>7</sup>	Preference Shares <sup>7</sup>	None <sup>8</sup>	None <sup>8</sup>
Deferred Interest Notes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A

<sup>1</sup> Reflects 100% of the Fully Drawn Amount of the Class A-1B Notes. Except as otherwise provided, references to the principal of the Class A-1B Notes will mean the Drawn Amount thereof from time to time.

<sup>2</sup> The Preference Shares will be issued with a Face Amount of U.S.\$1,000 per share.

<sup>3</sup> The Class A-1B Notes will also be entitled to the Delayed Drawdown Fee on any undrawn amounts.



- 4 The Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares are subject to multiple extensions to the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (in the case of the Notes) and the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (in the case of the Preference Shares), if the Issuer provides timely notice and the Extension Conditions are satisfied. See “Risk Factors—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary,” “—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected,” “Maturity and Prepayment Considerations” and “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date.”
- 5 The Senior Notes (excluding the Class A-1B Notes prior to the first Payment Date) will be issued in minimum denominations of (i) U.S.\$250,000 for Rule 144A Global Notes and (ii) U.S.\$100,000 for Regulation S Global Notes. The Certificated Class A-1B Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000.
- 6 Interest payments (and, in the case of the Class A-1B Notes, Delayed Drawdown Fee) will be made to the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-2 Notes on a *pari passu* basis. The Class A-1A Notes and the Class A-1B Notes will be entitled to receive principal payments on a *pari passu* basis and will be senior to the Class A-2 Notes in right of repayment of principal.
- 7 Other than with respect to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, which may be payable to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as set forth herein and will have priority to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.
- 8 The Preference Shares will be entitled to certain residual cash flow after payment of senior obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

The Senior Notes will be limited recourse obligations of the Co-Issuers. The Class D Notes will be limited recourse obligations of the Issuer. The Notes will be issued pursuant to the Indenture.

The Preference Shares will be part of the issued share capital of the Issuer and, accordingly, will not be secured obligations of the Issuer. Investors Bank & Trust Company will act as the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the Preference Shares and will perform various administrative services pursuant to a Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date (the “**Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement**”) by and between the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof. On the Closing Date, Investors Corp. is expected to purchase 100% of the Class I Preference Shares of the Issuer and will issue an equivalent number of its preference shares to third-party investors.

The Preference Shares will be issued in two classes, which will be identical in respect of rights to distributions except that the Class II Preference Shares (i) are entitled to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments on every Payment Date occurring on or before February 3, 2008 (after such Payment Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Preference Shares Paying Agent on behalf of the Issuer as Class II Preference Share Special Payments) and (ii) have total control with respect to the appointment and removal of the directors of the Issuer as long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is higher than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date. See “Description of the Securities—The Issuer Charter—Voting Rights.”

Payments to each Holder of the Notes of each Class shall be made ratably among the Holders of the Notes of that Class in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes of such Class held by each Holder. Payments to each Holder of the Preference Shares shall be made ratably among the Holders of the Preference Shares in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Preference Shares held by each Holder (*provided* that the Class II Preference Share Special Payments shall be paid solely to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class II Preference Shares held by each such Holder).

Except as provided under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments,” the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes are entitled to receive payments of interest and, in the case of the Class A-1B Notes, Delayed Drawdown Fee *pari passu* among themselves and all of the Class A Notes will be senior in right of interest payments on each Payment Date to the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares; the Class A-1A Notes and

the Class A-1B Notes are entitled to receive payments of principal *pari passu* among themselves and all of the Class A-1 Notes will be senior in right of principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares; the Class A-2 Notes will be senior in right of principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares; the Class B Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares; the Class C Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares; the Class D Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Preference Shares; and the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares will rank *pari passu* in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date except that any payments to the Holders of Class II Preference Shares of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments will have priority to the extent provided under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

The Securities and certain other obligations of the Co-Issuers will have the priorities of payment described under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

**Co-Issuers .....** The Issuer is an exempted limited liability company incorporated under The Companies Law (2004 Revision) of the Cayman Islands. The Issuer’s activities are unrestricted, however, the Indenture restricts the activities of the Issuer to acquiring Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, entering into any Hedge Agreements, issuing the Securities and entering into certain related transactions. The Issuer has been established as a special purpose vehicle for the purpose of issuing asset-backed securities.

The Co-Issuer is organized as a corporation under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (8 *Del. C.* § 101, *et seq.*), for the sole purpose of co-issuing the Senior Notes. The Co-Issuer has been established as a special purpose vehicle for the purpose of issuing asset-backed securities.

The Issuer will not have any significant assets other than Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, any Hedge Agreements and certain other eligible assets. The Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, the rights of the Issuer under any Hedge Agreements and other collateral will be pledged to the Trustee as security for, among other things, the Issuer’s obligations under the Notes.

The Co-Issuer is not expected to have any significant assets and will not pledge any assets to secure the Senior Notes.

**Investors Corp.....** On the Closing Date, Brentwood Investors Corp. is expected to purchase all of the Class I Preference Shares and to finance such purchase by issuing preference shares (the “**Holding Preference**

**Shares**") in a number equal to the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares purchased by it. The Holding Preference Shares will be offered by Investors Corp. to investors pursuant to a separate offering memorandum (the "**Investors Corp. Offering Memorandum**") and are not offered hereby.

Investors Corp. will exercise its consent and voting rights, in its capacity as a Holder of the Class I Preference Shares, in accordance with the directions of the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares; *provided* that Holding Preference Shares held by the Servicer or any of its Affiliates will have no such right to direct Investors Corp. in connection with the removal of the Servicer for "cause" or the appointment of a replacement servicer. For purposes of calculating such consents or votes exercised with respect to the Class I Preference Shares held by Investors Corp., each consent or vote exercised with respect to a Holding Preference Share will count as one consent or vote exercised with respect to a Class I Preference Share held by Investors Corp., as applicable.

**Trustee** ..... Investors Bank & Trust Company will act as the Trustee under the Indenture on behalf of the Holders of the Notes.

**Servicer** ..... Certain servicing and administrative functions with respect to the Collateral will be performed by Highland Capital, in such capacity, the Servicer, pursuant to the Servicing Agreement, which may be amended from time to time without the consent of the Holders of the Securities. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Servicing Agreement" and "The Servicing Agreement."

On the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$37,000,000 and (ii) Highland Capital and its Affiliates are expected to purchase Holding Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$10,000,000.

The Share Registrar will record in the register maintained by it the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares, as applicable. HFP and/or its subsidiaries that purchase Class II Preference Shares will agree not to transfer any of the Class II Preference Shares to any Person other than Investors Corp. Any transfer of Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to Investors Corp. will require the cancellation and redemption of such Class II Preference Shares and the new issue of a corresponding number of Class I Preference Shares. Investors Corp. will finance the purchase of any Class I Preference Shares to be issued in connection with such transfer by issuing additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such Class I Preference Shares. Any transfer of Class I Preference Shares to HFP or any of its subsidiaries from Investors Corp. will require the cancellation of such Class I Preference Shares and the new issue of a corresponding number of

## Class II Preference Shares.

The Servicer or its Affiliates may also acquire Preference Shares upon the occurrence of the Amendment Buy-Out Option. In addition, the Servicer or its Affiliates may acquire all or any portion of any Extension Sale Securities in connection with any Maturity Extension. See “The Servicer,” “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities,” “—Relating to the Servicer” and “—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer,” “Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out,” “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date” and “The Servicing Agreement.”

**Closing Date** ..... December 21, 2006.

**Use of Proceeds**..... The gross proceeds of the offering of the Securities received on the Closing Date are expected to equal approximately U.S.\$700,000,000 and will be used by the Issuer to:

- purchase a portfolio of Collateral Obligations;
- fund a trust account for Revolving Loans (the “**Revolving Reserve Account**”) and a trust account for Delayed Drawdown Loans (the “**Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account**”) to cover any future draws on Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans;
- enter into any Hedge Agreements, as applicable;
- enter into any Securities Lending Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the Securities Lending Account);
- enter into any Synthetic Security Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the related accounts);
- repurchase and terminate Participations outstanding under the Warehouse Agreement (at a price reflecting the price originally paid by the Issuer to acquire the Warehoused Loans, *plus* the amount of extensions of credit in respect of certain Warehoused Loans, *minus* the aggregate amount of payments of principal received by the Warehouse Providers, respectively, in respect of such Warehoused Loans (excluding the amount of any such payment that was required to be repaid or returned by any Warehouse Provider by claw-back or otherwise), *plus* all accrued and unpaid interest and fees on such Warehoused Loans);

- fund the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account; and
- undertake certain related activities.

See “Use of Proceeds.”

**Payment Dates**..... Payment of interest on, and principal of, the Notes will be made by the Issuer in U.S. Dollars on the first day of each February, May, August and November of each year (or if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day), commencing May 1, 2007, to the extent of available cash flow in respect of the Collateral in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

**Interest Payments and  
Distributions from Interest  
Proceeds**.....

The Notes will accrue interest from the Closing Date. Interest on the Notes will be payable, to the extent of funds available therefor, on each Payment Date.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of interest due on such Class of Deferred Interest Notes that is not available to be paid (“**Deferred Interest**”) in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered “payable” for the purposes of the Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for such Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest), until paid. See “Description of the Securities—Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Preference Shares from Interest Proceeds,” “—Priority of Payments” and “—The Indenture—Events of Default.”

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Interest Proceeds as described under clauses (21) and (23) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds”; *provided* that, in lieu of payment of such Interest Proceeds, in whole or in part, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, will have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute on any Payment Date Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible

Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be distributed on the relevant Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be increased accordingly. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” and “—Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement—Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities.”

In addition, on each Payment Date occurring on or before February 3, 2008, Holders of the Class II Preference Shares are entitled to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments. After such Payment Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be distributed by the Issuer to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. Any Class II Preference Share Special Payment will be paid by the Issuer in accordance with the Priority of Payments described under clauses (3), (19) and (22) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

**Principal Payments and  
Distributions from Principal  
Proceeds.....**

The Notes will mature at par on the Payment Date in February, 2022 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (the “**Stated Maturity**”) and the Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed at the Redemption Price thereof by the Issuer on the Payment Date in February, 2022 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (the “**Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**”), in each case unless redeemed or (in the case of the Notes) repaid in full prior thereto. The average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years from issuance until Stated Maturity for such Notes. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary,” “—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected” and “Maturity and Prepayment Considerations.”

In general, principal payments will not be made on the Notes before the end of the Replacement Period, except in the following

circumstances:

- in connection with an Optional Redemption;
- at the option of the Servicer, to effect a Special Redemption of the Notes;
- in connection with a Refinancing of Non-Consenting Holder's Notes;
- in connection with a Redemption by Refinancing;
- pursuant to a redemption made in connection with a Tax Event; or
- following a mandatory redemption of the Notes caused by a failure to meet any of the Coverage Tests or a Rating Confirmation Failure.

See "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments," "—Optional Redemption," "—Special Redemption of the Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture," "—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes" and "Security for the Notes—Ramp-Up."

No payments of principal will be made on the Class A-2 Notes until the principal of the Class A-1 Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class B Notes until the principal of the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class C Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class D Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes has been paid in full (other than with respect to the use of Interest Proceeds to pay principal of the Class D Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class D Coverage Tests). However, Principal Proceeds may be used to pay Deferred Interest and other amounts before the payment of principal of the Notes. See "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments."

No principal of any Class of Notes will be payable on any Payment Date other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and to the extent funds are available therefor on that Payment Date for that purpose, except that the principal of each Class of Notes will be payable in full at the Stated Maturity, unless repaid before that.

On each Payment Date, the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares (including, with respect to the Class II Preference Shares, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Principal Proceeds as



described under clauses (14)(A), (15) and (16) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

For a description of the relative priority of payments and level of subordination of the Securities and certain fees, expenses and other liabilities of the Co-Issuers, see “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

**Extension of the Replacement  
Period, the Stated Maturity and  
the Scheduled Preference Shares  
Redemption Date.....**

The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Replacement Period to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date up to a maximum of four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. For purposes of the foregoing, “**Extension Effective Date**” means, if an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extension Effective Date (or, in the case of the first Extension Effective Date, the Payment Date in November, 2011) and “**Extended Replacement Period End Date**” means, if an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Replacement Period End Date (or, in the case of the first Extension, the Payment Date in February 2018); *provided* that the “Extended Replacement Period End Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in February, 2030.

If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date shall automatically be extended to the Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Securities or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents (the “**Maturity Extension**”); *provided* that the Issuer will not be permitted to effect more than four Maturity Extensions. For purposes of the foregoing, “**Extended Stated Maturity Date**” means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Stated Maturity Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Payment Date in February, 2026), “**Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**” means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, February, 2026 and “**Extended**

**Weighted Average Life Date**” means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Weighted Average Life Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Weighted Average Life Date, May, 2020); *provided* that the “Extended Stated Maturity Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in February, 2038, the “Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in February, 2038 and the “Extended Weighted Average Life Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in May, 2032.

As a condition to a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes or Preference Shares will have the right to offer to sell their Notes or Preference Shares to one or more Extension Qualifying Purchasers for purchase on the applicable Extension Effective Date.

If all Extension Conditions are satisfied and a Maturity Extension is effected, each Noteholder, other than Holders of Extension Sale Securities, will be entitled to receive the applicable Extension Bonus Payment, to the extent of available funds and as provided in the Priority of Payments. Holders of Preference Shares will not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary,” “—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected,” “Maturity and Prepayment Considerations,” and “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date.”

**Security for the Notes** ..... The Notes will be secured by a portfolio having an Aggregate Principal Balance following the Ramp-Up Period of approximately U.S.\$677,332,536 (in principal amount) and consisting primarily of Collateral Obligations and certain other debt securities, in each case having the characteristics set forth herein. The Notes will also be secured by funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, the Issuer’s rights under any Hedge Agreements, any Securities Lending Agreements, the Servicing Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement. See “Security for the Notes.”

The Preference Shares are unsecured equity interests in the Issuer.

**Collateral Ramp-Up Period** ..... The Issuer expects that, as of the Closing Date, it will have purchased (or entered into commitments to purchase) Collateral Obligations to be included in the anticipated portfolio such that the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator will be at least U.S.\$677,332,536 as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date. The “**Ramp-Up Completion Date**” is the earlier of (i) the Business Day after the 90<sup>th</sup> day after the Closing Date, and (ii) the first day on which the following conditions are satisfied (x) either (A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least U.S.\$677,332,536 or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or

committed to be purchased) by the Issuer with proceeds from the sale of the Securities (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be) equals at least U.S.\$677,332,536 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date) and (y) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least U.S.\$677,332,536.

In anticipation of the issuance of the Securities, the Issuer, the Servicer, HFP, Bank of America, N.A., Highland CDO Opportunity Master Fund, L.P. and Highland Special Opportunities Holding Company entered into the Warehouse Agreement. Pursuant to the Warehouse Agreement, the Servicer has agreed to service, on behalf of the Issuer, the Warehoused Loans to be acquired by the Issuer before the Closing Date. 100% participation in each Warehoused Loan has been acquired by the Warehouse Provider concurrently with the acquisition of such Warehoused Loan by the Issuer, for a purchase price equal to the purchase price paid by the Issuer for the related Warehoused Loan. On the Closing Date, eligible Warehoused Loans will be repurchased by the Issuer with proceeds of the offering. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Collateral Obligations—A Substantial Amount of Collateral Obligations Was Acquired Before the Closing Date, and the Terms of the Acquisition May Adversely Affect the Issuer.”

See “Security for the Notes—Ramp-Up.”

**Replacement Period; Acquisition  
of Replacement Collateral  
Obligations.....**

During the Replacement Period, the Issuer may generally (and subject to certain requirements) use Principal Proceeds received with respect to the Collateral to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria (which Eligibility Criteria includes requirements that an item of Collateral purchased by the Issuer meet the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and that the portfolio of Collateral Obligations be in compliance with the Concentration Limitations to the extent provided in the Eligibility Criteria). See “—Collateral Obligations,” “—Concentration Limitations” and “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.”

The “**Replacement Period**” will be the period from the Closing Date through and including the first to occur of:

- (i) the Payment Date after the date that the Servicer notifies the Trustee, each Rating Agency and the Administrator, in the sole discretion of the Servicer, that, in light of the composition of the Collateral, general market conditions, and other factors, the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations within the foreseeable future would be

impractical;

- (ii) the Payment Date in February, 2014 or, in the case of an Extension, the Extended Replacement Period End Date;
- (iii) the Payment Date on which all Notes are to be optionally redeemed or an earlier date after notice of an Optional Redemption chosen by the Servicer to facilitate the liquidation of the Collateral for the Optional Redemption; and
- (iv) the date on which the Replacement Period terminates or is terminated as a result of an Event of Default (subject to the terms of the Indenture).

No acquisition of Collateral Obligations will be made after the termination of the Replacement Period, except that (x) Unscheduled Principal Payments and (y) Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations may be used to purchase Collateral Obligations after the Replacement Period, subject to the limitations described under “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria” and “—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations.” After the termination of the Replacement Period, all Principal Proceeds (other than Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations) must be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

In no case shall the acquisition or disposition of a Collateral Obligation or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) be effected by or on behalf of the Issuer for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes.

**Collateral Obligations.....** Any obligation or security (a “**Collateral Obligation**”) that, when the Issuer commits to purchase (or otherwise acquire) the obligation or security, is a Loan, High-Yield Bond, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that is a Loan, a Structured Finance Obligation or High-Yield Bond that is:

- (i) denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars and is not convertible by its obligor into any other currency;
- (ii) an obligation of an obligor Domiciled in an Eligible Country;
- (iii) an obligation that is eligible by its terms to be assigned to the Issuer and pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral;
- (iv) not an exchangeable or convertible security;

- (v) not an equity security or a component of an equity security or a security that has a component that is an equity security (other than for avoidance of doubt, a pass-through trust certificate in a trust holding Collateral Obligations);
- (vi) not an obligation or security that has been called for redemption and is not an obligation or security that is the subject of an Offer other than a Permitted Offer or an exchange offer in which a security that is not registered under the Securities Act is exchanged for (a) a security that has substantially identical terms (except for transfer restrictions) but is registered under the Securities Act or (b) a security that would otherwise qualify for purchase under the Eligibility Criteria;
- (vii) an obligation that (a) has a Moody's Rating (including any estimated or confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored) and (b) has an S&P Rating (including any confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored), which S&P Rating does not have a "p", "pi", "q", "r" or "t" subscript;
- (viii) an obligation that is a Finance Lease (if it is a lease) and is rated by Moody's and S&P;
- (ix) (A) an obligation that is not a Current-Pay Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation and (B) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that has a Moody's Rating of "Caal" or lower or an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower, an obligation for which the Servicer has certified in writing that such Collateral Obligation is not a Credit Risk Obligation;
- (x) an obligation that (unless it is a High-Yield Bond) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness for borrowed money of the applicable issuer; provided that for the avoidance of doubt, this clause shall not prohibit the inclusion as Collateral Obligations of Subordinated Lien Loans or Second Lien Loans;
- (xi) an obligation that (a) (unless it is a PIK Security) bears simple interest payable in cash no less frequently than annually at a fixed or floating rate that is paid on a periodic basis on an unleveraged basis and, in the case of a floating rate, computed on a benchmark interest rate plus or minus a spread, if any (which may vary under the terms of the obligation) and (b) provides for a fixed amount of principal payable in cash according to a fixed schedule (which may include optional call dates) or at maturity (or a fixed notional amount in the case of Synthetic Securities);

- (xii) an obligation the payment or repayment of the principal, if any, of which is not an amount determined by reference to any formula or index or subject to any contingency under the terms thereof;
- (xiii) an obligation the portion of which to be acquired (including through a Synthetic Security with respect to the Reference Obligation) does not represent, directly or indirectly, more than a 25% interest in the obligation;
- (xiv) not an obligation with a maturity later than two years after the Stated Maturity of the Notes;
- (xv) an obligation upon which no payments are subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the obligor thereof or counterparty with respect thereto is required to make “gross-up” payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax on an after-tax basis (other than withholding taxes with respect to commitment fees associated with Collateral Obligations constituting Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans);
- (xvi) not a Loan or Synthetic Security that would require the Issuer after its purchase of the Loan or Synthetic Security to advance any funds to the related borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty or permit the borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty to require that any future advances be made except for:
  - (A) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the Issuer deposits into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, respectively, the maximum amount of any advances that may be required of the Issuer under the related Underlying Instrument (as provided in the Indenture); and
  - (B) any Synthetic Security if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Synthetic Security, the Issuer posts cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) the Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer’s purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of any future advances;
- (xvii) if such obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation, such obligation:
  - (A) has been assigned a rating by both Moody’s and S&P;

- (B) has a Moody's Rating of "Ba3" or higher and an S&P Rating of "BB-" or higher; and
- (C) has not been placed on the watch list for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P;
- (xviii) not a Loan that is an obligation of a debtor in possession or a trustee for a debtor in an insolvency proceeding other than a DIP Loan;
- (xix) with respect to an obligation that provides for the payment of interest at a floating rate, an obligation for which such floating rate is determined by reference to the U.S. Dollar prime rate or other base rate, London interbank offered rate or similar interbank offered rate, commercial deposit rate or any other index that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto;
- (xx) in the case of a Synthetic Security, the Synthetic Security is one for which the counterparty or issuer, as the case may be, has a short-term debt rating by Moody's of at least "P-1" or long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "Aa3" and, if rated "Aa3" by Moody's, such rating is not on watch for downgrade, and a short term debt rating by S&P of at least "A-1+" or, if such counterparty or issuer, as the case may be, does not have a short term debt rating by S&P, a long term debt rating by S&P of at least "AA-";
- (xxi) not an obligation that constitutes Margin Stock;
- (xxii) not a Zero-Coupon Security;
- (xxiii) not an obligation that is currently deferring interest or paying interest "in kind" or otherwise has an interest "in kind" balance outstanding at the time of purchase, which interest is otherwise payable in cash, unless the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;
- (xxiv) not a security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer;
- (xxv) not an obligation the interest payments of which are scheduled to decrease (although interest payments may decrease due to unscheduled events such as a decrease if the index relating to a Floating Rate Obligation, the change from a default rate of interest to a non-default rate of interest or an improvement in the obligor's financial condition); and
- (xxvi) an "eligible asset" as defined under Rule 3a-7 and not an obligation that will (A) cause the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the pool of assets to be required to be registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act or (B) cause the Issuer to be engaged in a U.S. trade or business for U.S.

federal income tax purposes.

Pursuant to the definition of “Synthetic Security,” unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any “deliverable obligation” that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any “credit event” must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such “deliverable obligation” is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any “credit event”) as a Collateral Obligation, except that such “deliverable obligation” may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a “credit event.”

See “Security for the Notes—Purchase of Collateral Obligations,” “—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations” and “—Eligibility Criteria.”

**Concentration Limitations** ..... Upon a purchase of a Collateral Obligation, the Eligibility Criteria require that each of the limits set forth below with respect to a particular type of Relevant Obligation (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) as a percentage of the Maximum Amount (the “**Concentration Limitations**”) is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced:

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(1) Senior Secured Loans and Eligible Investments	≥ 87.5%
(2) unsecured Loans	≤ 3.0%
(3) Subordinated Lien Loans and Second Lien Loans	≤ 12.5%
(4) Middle Market Loans	≤ 50.0%
(5) Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans	≤ 12.0%
(6) DIP Loans	≤ 7.5%
(a) except that DIP Loans of any individual obligor may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 2.0%
(7) S&P Unrated DIP Loans	≤ 2.5%
(8) Servicer Originated Loans	≤ 25.0%
(a) except that Servicer Originated Loans made to obligors Domiciled or having, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, their principal place of business in the state of Texas may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 15.0%
(9) PIK Securities	≤ 3.0%
(10) High-Yield Bonds	≤ 5.0%
(11) Structured Finance Obligations	≤ 10.0%
(a) except that Structured Finance Obligations serviced by the Servicer may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 2.5%



(b)	except that a single issuer together with any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) of a Structured Finance Obligation may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 3.0\%$
(12)	Structured Finance Obligations that are collateralized loan obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(13)	obligors Domiciled other than in the United States and Canada	$\leq 15.0\%$
(14)	obligors Domiciled in Canada or any single Moody's Group I Country	$\leq 10.0\%$
(15)	obligors Domiciled in Moody's Group II Countries	$\leq 10.0\%$
(a)	except that obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group II Country may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$
(16)	obligors Domiciled in Moody's Group III Countries	$\leq 7.5\%$
(a)	except that obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group III Country may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 2.5\%$
(17)	obligors organized in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction	$\leq 5.0\%$
(18)	same S&P Industry Classification	$\leq 8.0\%$
(a)	except that Relevant Obligations belonging to two S&P Industry Classifications may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 12.0\%$
(19)	single obligor and any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) of any Middle Market Loan	$\leq 2.0\%$
(a)	except that up to each of five such obligors and any of their Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 3.0\%$
(20)	single obligor and any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) of a Collateral Obligation other than a Middle Market Loan	$\leq 1.5\%$
(a)	except that up to each of five individual obligors and any of their Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 2.0\%$
(21)	Fixed Rate Obligations	$\leq 5.0\%$
(22)	Pay interest less frequently than quarterly but no less frequently than semi-annually	$\leq 7.5\%$
(23)	Pay interest less frequently than semi-annually but no less frequently than annually	$\leq 3.0\%$
(24)	Synthetic Securities	$\leq 20.0\%$
(a)	except that Synthetic Securities that provide for settlement other than by physical delivery may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$

(b)	except that Synthetic Securities that reference a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$
(25)	Participations ( <i>provided</i> that no Relevant Obligations may be a Participation in a Participation)	$\leq 20.0\%$
(26)	Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, in the aggregate may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 20.0\%$
(27)	Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, a single Secondary Risk Counterparty	$\leq$ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under “Individual Counterparty Limit” for applicable rating*
(28)	Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, all Secondary Risk Counterparties	$\leq$ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under “Aggregate Counterparty Limit” for applicable rating**
(29)	Deep Discount Obligations	$\leq 10.0\%$
(30)	CCC+/Caa1 and below Collateral Obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(31)	Long-Dated Collateral Obligations	$\leq 2.0\%$
(32)	Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements	$\leq 15.0\%$
(33)	Collateral Obligations providing for interest at a non-London interbank offered rate (excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, the unfunded amount of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan); <i>provided</i> that the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to the use of the index for such non-London interbank offered rate	$\leq 5.0\%$

\* Applicable long-term unsecured rating by Moody’s or S&P of such Secondary Risk Counterparty (using the limit for the lower of such ratings if different).

\*\* Long-term unsecured rating by Moody’s or S&P at or below a level specified in the Secondary Risk Table (using the lower of such ratings for a Secondary Risk Counterparty, if different).

Subject to the rights in certain circumstances of the Servicer to determine otherwise as set out in the Indenture, solely for the purpose of determining whether the Concentration Limitations are met, Eligible Investments and Cash will be treated as Senior Secured Loans and Floating Rate Obligations.

See “Security For the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.”

**Coverage Tests and the Retention**

**Overcollateralization Test**..... The “**Coverage Tests**” will consist of the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Tests. In addition, the Retention Overcollateralization Test, which is not a Coverage Test, will apply as described herein. See “Security For the Notes—The Coverage Tests—The Overcollateralization Tests” and “—The Interest Coverage Tests” for the formulations of these tests, which are highly detailed. The ratios on which they are based are also described under such headings. The tests will be used to determine, among other things, whether (i) Notes will be redeemed in certain circumstances as described under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments” and (ii) in the case of the Coverage Tests, Collateral Obligations may be acquired as described under “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.”

There will not be any Coverage Test applicable to the Preference Shares.

*The Overcollateralization Tests*..... The Overcollateralization Tests will consist of the “**Class A Overcollateralization Test**,” the “**Class B Overcollateralization Test**,” the “**Class C Overcollateralization Test**” and the “**Class D Overcollateralization Test**”. Each Overcollateralization Test will be satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes if, as of any Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the specified required level for the specified Class indicated in the table below:

<b>Test</b>	<b>Required Level</b>
Class A Overcollateralization Test	121.0%
Class B Overcollateralization Test	109.4%
Class C Overcollateralization Test	106.8%
Class D Overcollateralization Test	104.3%

*The Interest Coverage Tests*..... The Interest Coverage Tests will consist of the “Class A Interest Coverage Test,” the “Class B Interest Coverage Test,” “Class C Interest Coverage Test ” and the “Class D Interest Coverage Test.” Each Interest Coverage Test will be satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level specified in the table below for the specified Class:

<b>Test</b>	<b>Required Level</b>
Class A Interest Coverage Test	130.0%

Class B Interest Coverage Test	120.0%
Class C Interest Coverage Test	115.0%
Class D Interest Coverage Test	110.0%

*Retention Overcollateralization Test.* A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Retention Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 105.2%.

**Collateral Quality Tests.....** The Collateral Quality Tests will be used primarily as criteria for purchasing Collateral Obligations. See “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.” The “**Collateral Quality Tests**” will consist of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Life Test, the Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the S&P CDO Monitor Test, as described below.

*Diversity Test .....* The Diversity Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date, if the Diversity Score equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score.

*S&P CDO Monitor Test.....* The S&P CDO Monitor Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive.

*Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test .....* The Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 7.5%.

*Weighted Average Life Test .....* The Weighted Average Life Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the greater of (a) the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and May, 1, 2016 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date and (b) 2.4 years.

*Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test.....* The Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody’s Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 43.88%.

*Weighted Average Rating Factor Test.....* The Weighted Average Rating Factor Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date, if the Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of such Measurement Date is less than or equal

to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor.

*Weighted Average S&P Recovery*

*Rate Test* ..... The Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 52.44%.

*Weighted Average Spread Test* ..... The Weighted Average Spread Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread.

See "Security for the Notes—The Collateral Quality Tests."

**Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

**for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests .....**

If any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the last day of any Due Period (each, a "**Determination Date**"), funds will be used pursuant to the Priority of Payments to redeem the Notes to the extent necessary for such failing Coverage Tests to be satisfied that would otherwise be used:

- (i) to purchase additional Collateral Obligations during the Replacement Period; or
- (ii) to make interest and principal payments on the Notes and to make dividend or redemption payments in respect of the Preference Shares.

See "Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests."

**Certain Consequences of Failure to Satisfy the Retention**

**Overcollateralization Test .....**

If during the Replacement Period, the Retention Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on any Determination Date, certain funds, as described under clause (17) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds," representing Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be used to make payments on the Preference Shares and pay certain subordinated expenses of the Issuer, will be deposited instead into the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds to the extent necessary to cause the Retention Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as of that Determination Date after application of Principal Proceeds as described under clause (1) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds."

**Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

**Upon Rating Confirmation Failure .....**

The Issuer will request each of S&P and Moody's to confirm in writing, by the Business Day after the 29th day after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that it has not reduced, suspended or withdrawn the Initial Rating of each Class of Notes and that it has not placed any Class of Notes on credit watch with negative implications. If the Trustee does not receive evidence of confirmation before the Payment Date following the 29-day

period (such an event, a “**Rating Confirmation Failure**”), all Interest Proceeds remaining after payment of amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (14) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” will be used to pay principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes sequentially in order of their priority on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date thereafter until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. If necessary, after the foregoing payments are made out of Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds in accordance with clause (5) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds” will be used to pay principal of each Class of the Notes sequentially in order of their priority on each Payment Date until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. See “Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure.”

**Non-Call Period**..... The period from the Closing Date to but not including the Payment Date in November, 2010 (the “**Non-Call Period**”).

**Optional Redemption** ..... Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the applicable Required Redemption Percentage may require the Issuer or Co-Issuers, as applicable, to redeem the Notes, in whole but not in part, from Principal Proceeds and all other funds available for that purpose in the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account in accordance with the optional redemption procedures described under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at their Redemption Price. From and after the Redemption Date the redeemed Notes will cease to bear interest.

The redemption price payable in connection with the Optional Redemption of any Class of Notes will be the sum of:

- (i) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of the Note being redeemed; *plus*
- (ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest); *plus*
- (iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note; *plus*
- (iv) in the case of the Class A-1B Notes, any accrued and unpaid Delayed Drawdown Fee; *plus*

- (v) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

The redemption price payable in connection with the Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares will be (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the entire remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case, as described under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

**Special Redemption .....** The Notes will be subject to redemption in whole or in part by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, on Payment Dates during the Replacement Period if the Servicer elects (subject to the Servicing Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the use of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (a “Special Redemption”). On the first Payment Date following the Due Period for which such notice is effective (a “Special Redemption Date”), the funds in the Collection Account or the Payment Account representing Principal Proceeds which cannot be used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (the “Special Redemption Amount”) will be available to be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments. See “Description of the Securities—Special Redemption of the Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture.”

**Refinancing of Non-Consenting Holder’s Notes .....** After the Non-Call Period, if Holders representing a Majority of the Preference Shares and the Servicer consent to a proposed amendment of the Indenture relating to interest on the Notes and any Noteholder becomes a Non-Consenting Holder with respect to such amendment, then the Co-Issuers and the Trustee will, under certain circumstances, effect a Non-Consenting Note Refinancing of the Notes of all such Non-Consenting Holders by the issuance of additional Notes of the same Classes and respective principal amounts. See “Description of the Securities—Refinancing of Non-Consenting Holder’s Notes.”

**Redemption by Refinancing** Any Class of Notes may be redeemed in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period from Refinancing Proceeds if the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, proposes to the Holders of the Preference Shares in writing and to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent with a copy to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies at least 30 days prior to the Refinancing Date to redeem such Notes in accordance with the Indenture. Such redemption will be effected by obtaining a loan or an issuance of a Refinancing Notes the terms of which loan or

issuance will be negotiated by the Servicer, on behalf of the Co-Issuers, from one or more financial institutions or purchasers (which may include the Servicer or its Affiliates) selected by the Servicer, and such proposal is approved by a Majority of the holders of the Preference Shares (voting as a single class) at least 15 days prior to the Refinancing Date. See “Description of the Securities—Redemption by Refinancing.”

**Delayed Drawdown Notes** ..... Pursuant to a Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement to be entered into among the Co-Issuers, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent and the holders of the Class A-1B Notes (the “**Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement**”), the Holders of the Class A-1B Notes will commit to make advances at any time beginning on the Closing Date and ending on the earlier to occur of (a) the date on which the Fully Drawn Amount of Class A-1B Notes is fully drawn and (b) March 21, 2007 (such period, the “**Delayed Drawdown Period**”), subject to compliance with certain conditions specified therein. Any Aggregate Undrawn Amount of Class A-1B Notes as of the second Business Day prior to March 21, 2007 will be drawn on that Business Day and required to be funded on the Business Day prior to March 21, 2007. The aggregate Fully Drawn Amount of the Class A-1B Notes may not exceed U.S.\$75,000,000. See “Description of the Securities—Class A-1B Notes Drawdowns.” Investors Bank & Trust Company will serve as the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent under the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement.

Each purchaser of Class A-1B Notes during the Delayed Drawdown Period will be required to satisfy the Rating Criteria. If any Holder of Class A-1B Notes at any time during the Delayed Drawdown Period fails to comply with the Rating Criteria, such Holder will be obligated under the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement to give immediate notice thereof to the Issuer, the Trustee, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent and the Rating Agencies and immediately following such notice to fund the full Undrawn Amount of its Class A-1B Notes into a reserve account. No Holder of the Class A-1B Notes will be required to satisfy the Rating Criteria after the end of the Delayed Drawdown Period.

*Delayed Drawdown Fee on the*  
*Delayed Drawdown Notes* ..... A commitment fee (the “**Delayed Drawdown Fee**”) will accrue on the Aggregate Undrawn Amount of the Class A-1B Notes at a rate per annum equal to 0.17% (the “**Delayed Drawdown Fee Rate**”). The Delayed Drawdown Fee will be payable (if applicable) on the first Payment Date and will rank *pari passu* with the payment of interest on the Class A-1 Notes.

**Additional Issuance of Preference  
Shares**.....

At any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the net proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations if the conditions for such additional issuance described under “Description of the Securities—Additional Issuance of



Preference Shares” are met. Any amendment to the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents or any other related documents required to provide for or facilitate such additional issuance of Preference Shares will not require the consent of the Holders of Securities.

It is expected that Investors Corp. will finance the purchase of any additional Class I Preference Shares issued by the Issuer to Investors Corp. by issuing additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such additional Class I Preference Shares purchased by it.

**The Offering**..... The Senior Notes are initially being offered (i) in reliance on Regulation S, to non-U.S. Persons in offshore transactions (“**Offshore Transactions**”) as such term is defined in Regulation S and (ii) to purchasers that are U.S. persons (“**U.S. Persons**”) as such term is defined in Regulation S, that are Qualified Institutional Buyers who are Qualified Purchasers. Subsequent transferees of the Senior Notes must be (i) non-U.S. Persons that purchase the Senior Notes in Offshore Transactions, or (ii) Qualified Institutional Buyers who are Qualified Purchasers. The Class D Notes are initially offered and may be subsequently transferred only to purchasers that are (i)(A) Qualified Institutional Buyers or (B) Institutional Accredited Investors and (ii) Qualified Purchasers. The Preference Shares are initially offered and may be subsequently transferred only to purchasers that are (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers and (ii) Qualified Purchasers. See “Plan of Distribution” and “Transfer Restrictions.”

**Form, Registration and Transfer of the Senior Notes**.....

The Senior Notes (other than the Class A-1B Notes prior to the first Payment Date) sold to Qualified Institutional Buyers who are Qualified Purchasers will be represented by one or more permanent global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons (each, a “**Rule 144A Global Note**”) deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository. The Depository will credit the account of each of its participants with the principal amount of the Senior Notes being purchased by or through the participant. Beneficial interests in a Rule 144A Global Note will be shown on, and transfers thereof will be effected only through, records maintained by the Depository and its direct and indirect participants. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Senior Notes.”

The Senior Notes (other than the Class A-1B Notes prior to the first Payment Date) sold in Offshore Transactions to non-U.S. Persons in reliance on Regulation S (“**Regulation S Purchasers**”) will be represented by one or more permanent global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons (each, a “**Regulation S Global Note**,” and, together with the Rule 144A Global Notes, the “**Global Notes**”) which

will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear or Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream at any time.

Except in the limited circumstances described herein, certificated Senior Notes will not be issued in exchange for beneficial interests in Global Notes. See “Settlement and Clearing.”

All Class A-1B Notes will initially be issued in the form of one or more certificated Class A-1B Notes in definitive, fully registered form, without interest coupons, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the “**Certificated Class A-1B Notes**”). Following the first Payment Date, any of the Certificated Class A-1B Notes may be exchanged by a Holder that is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser for a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note pursuant to the terms of the Indenture and such Rule 144A Global Note may only be transferred thereafter in the form of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note to a subsequent transferee that is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser. Following the first Payment Date, any of the Certificated Class A-1B Notes may be exchanged by a Holder that is not a U.S. Person for a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note pursuant to the terms of the Indenture and such Regulation S Global Note may only be transferred thereafter in the form of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note to a subsequent transferee that is not a U.S. Person in an offshore transaction in reliance on Regulation S.

Transfers of interests in the Senior Notes are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Indenture. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Senior Notes” and “Transfer Restrictions.” Each purchaser of Senior Notes in making its purchase will be required to make, or will be deemed to have made, as the case may be, certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements. See “Transfer Restrictions.”

**Form, Registration and Transfer of  
the Class D Notes .....**

The Class D Notes will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Class D Notes in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the “**Certificated Class D Notes**”).

Transfers of the Class D Notes are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Indenture. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination Registration and Transfer of the Class D Notes” and “Transfer Restrictions.” Each purchaser of Class D Notes in making its purchase will be required to

make certain acknowledgements, representations and agreements, and will be required to deliver various tax forms (including applicable IRS Form W-8 or IRS Form W-9) and tax certifications. See “Transfer Restrictions” for more details.

**Form, Registration and Transfers of  
the Preference Shares.....**

The Preference Shares will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Preference Shares in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the “**Certificated Preference Shares**”).

Transfers of the Preference Shares are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Preference Share Documents. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Preference Shares” and “Transfer Restrictions.” Each purchaser of Preference Shares in making its purchase will be required to make certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements, and will be required to deliver various tax forms (including applicable IRS Form W-8 or IRS Form W-9) and tax certifications. See “Transfer Restrictions” for more details.

**Ratings .....**

It is a condition of the issuance of the Securities that each Class of Notes are rated at least as indicated in the table under “—Principal Terms of the Securities” on the Closing Date.

No rating of the Preference Shares has been sought or obtained in connection with the issuance thereof.

Each of the above ratings assumes that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date.

A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning Rating Agency. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—Future Ratings of the Notes Are Not Assured and Limited in Scope; the Preference Shares are Not Rated.”

**Listing .....**

Application will be made to list each Class of the Senior Notes on the ISE. There can be no assurance that such admission will be granted or maintained. See “Listing and General Information.” The issuance and settlement of the Senior Notes on the Closing Date will not be conditioned on the listing of the Senior Notes on the ISE. In addition, there is currently no market for the Senior Notes and there can be no assurance that a market will develop.

**Governing Law .....**

The terms and conditions of the Preference Shares (as set forth in the Issuer Charter and the Resolutions) will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the Cayman Islands. The Notes, Indenture, any supplemental indenture, the

Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and any Hedge Agreements will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the State of New York.

**Tax Status.....** See “Material Income Tax Considerations.”

**Considerations for Benefit Plans.....** Except as described herein, the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares may not be purchased or held by, or transferred to, any Benefit Plan Investor. See “Considerations for Benefit Plans.”

## **RISK FACTORS**

*An investment in the Securities involves certain risks. Prospective investors should carefully consider the following factors, in addition to the matters set forth elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum, prior to investing in any Class of Securities.*

### **Investor Suitability**

An investment in the Securities will not be appropriate or suitable for all investors. Structured investment products, like the Securities, are complex instruments, and typically involve a high degree of risk and are intended for sale only to sophisticated investors who are capable of understanding and assuming the risks involved. Any investor purchasing Securities should conduct its own investigation and analysis of an investment in the Securities and consult with its own professional advisors as to the risks involved in making such investment.

### **General; Priorities of Securities**

The Issuer intends to acquire securities and other financial assets with certain risk characteristics as provided in the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement. See “Security for the Notes.” There can be no assurance that the Issuer will be successful in achieving its objectives to ensure that investors receive their initial investments under the Securities and that they receive a return (and avoid any losses, including total losses) on their investment in the Securities. Prospective investors are therefore advised to review this entire Offering Memorandum carefully and should consider, among other things, the following risk factors (along with, among other things, the inherent risks of investment activities) before deciding whether to invest in the Securities.

Except as is otherwise stated below, the risk factors are generally applicable to all the Securities, although the degree of risk associated with each Class of Securities may vary. In particular, the priorities of payment of the Notes are generally in the order of their alphabetic designation from the Class A-1 Notes, as the highest priority (*provided*, however, that the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes shall receive interest payments *pari passu* among themselves) to the Class D Notes, as the lowest priority, the priorities of payment of the Notes are generally higher than priorities of payment of the Preference Shares.

### **Relating to the Securities**

#### *The Securities Will Have Limited Liquidity*

There is currently no market for the Securities. There can be no assurance that a secondary market for any Class of Securities will develop, or if a secondary market does develop, that it will provide the Holders of the applicable Class of Securities with liquidity of investment or that it will continue for the life of such Class of Securities. In addition, each Class of Securities is subject to certain transfer restrictions and can only be transferred to certain transferees as described under “Transfer Restrictions.” The restrictions on the transfer of the Securities may further limit their liquidity. Consequently, an investor in the Securities must be prepared to hold such Securities until their Stated Maturity or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. In addition, the Securities will not be registered under the Securities Act or any state securities laws, and the Co-Issuers have no plans, and are under no obligation, to register the Securities under the Securities Act. Application will be made to admit each Class of the Senior Notes to the Daily Official List of the ISE. There can be no assurance that any such admission will be granted or maintained.

*The Subordination of the Class A-2 Notes, Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares Will Affect Their Right to Payment in Relation to the More Senior Securities*

The Class A-2 Notes are subordinated in right of payment of principal to the Class A-1 Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. No payments of principal of the Class A-2 Notes will be made until principal of the Class A-1 Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full. Payments of interest on the Class A-2 Notes will be paid *pari passu* with payments of interest on the Class A-1 Notes.

The Class B Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class B Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class B Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class B Deferred Interest.

The Class C Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class C Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class C Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class C Deferred Interest.

The Class D Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class D Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class D Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class D Deferred Interest and the use of Interest Proceeds to pay principal of the Class D Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class D Coverage Tests.

No payments will be made out of Interest Proceeds on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments), until due and unpaid interest on the Notes (including any Deferred Interest) and certain amounts (including certain amounts due under the Hedge Agreements, certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid on the Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments. No payments will be made out of Principal Proceeds on the Preference Shares (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) until principal of each Class of Notes and certain other amounts payable out of Principal Proceeds on each Payment Date have been paid in full. In addition, the Preference Shares will not be redeemed until each Class of Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

In addition, the Co-Issuers will have only nominal equity capitalization. Consequently, to the extent that any losses are suffered by any of the Holders of any Securities, the losses will be borne first by the Holders of the Preference Shares, and then by the Holders of each Class of Notes, serially in inverse order of their alphabetic designations.

See “Description of the Securities.”

*Interest Will Be Deferred on Deferred Interest Notes if There Are Insufficient Funds under the Priority of Payments for Payment of Interest*

So long as any Class A Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class B Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes as Class B Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class B Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds.

So long as any Class A Notes or Class B Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class C Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes as Class C Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class C Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds.

So long as any Class A Notes, Class B Notes or Class C Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class D Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes as Class D Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class D Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds.

*Interest Proceeds May Be Retained in Priority to any Payments to Holders of Preference Shares*

During the Replacement Period, if the Retention Overcollateralization Test is not met on any Determination Date, a portion of the Interest Proceeds that might otherwise have been paid to the Holders of the Preference Shares on the related Payment Date will instead be deposited into the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds, as described under clause (17) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

*The Controlling Class Will Control Many Rights under the Indenture; However, Some Rights of the Controlling Class to Sell the Collateral in Connection with an Event of Default Are Limited*

Under the Indenture, many rights of the Holders of the Notes will be controlled by a Majority of the Controlling Class. Remedies pursued by the Holders of the Controlling Class upon an Event of Default could be adverse to the interests of the Holders of Securities subordinated to the Controlling Class. After any realization on the Collateral, proceeds will be allocated in accordance with the Priority

of Payments pursuant to which the Notes and certain other amounts owing by the Co-Issuers will be paid in full before any allocation to the Preference Shares (except, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments), and each Class of Notes (along with certain other amounts owing by the Co-Issuers) will be paid serially in alphabetic order until it is paid in full before any allocation is made to the next Class of Notes.

However, the ability of the Controlling Class to direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral is subject to certain limitations. As described under “Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default,” if an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee must retain the Collateral intact and collect all payments in respect of the Collateral and continue making payments in accordance with the Priority of Payments and in accordance with the Indenture unless either (A) the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, determines that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds,” and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination or (B) the Holders of a Super Majority of each of the Class A Notes (voting together as a single Class), the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes direct, subject to the provisions of the Indenture, the sale and liquidation of the Collateral.

*Net Proceeds Will Be Less Than the Aggregate Amount of the Securities*

It is anticipated that the proceeds received by the Issuer on the Closing Date from the issuance of the Securities, net of certain fees and expenses, will be less than the aggregate amount of the Securities. Consequently, it is anticipated that on the Closing Date the Collateral would be insufficient to repay the purchase price of the Securities in the event of an Event of Default under the Indenture on that date.

*The Issuer Is Highly Leveraged, which Increases Risks to Investors*

The Issuer will be substantially leveraged. Use of leverage involves substantially increased risks to investors in the Securities. The leverage provided to the Issuer by the issuance of the Securities will result in interest expense and other costs incurred in connection with the borrowings that may not be covered by the net interest income, dividends and other cash flow in respect of the Collateral Obligations. The use of leverage generally magnifies the Issuer’s risk of loss, particularly for the more subordinate Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares. In certain circumstances, such as in connection with the exercise of remedies following an Event of Default, the Controlling Class may require the Issuer to dispose of some or all of the Collateral Obligations under unfavorable market conditions, thus causing the Issuer to recognize a loss that might not otherwise have occurred. In certain circumstances, the Controlling Class are entitled to direct the sales of Collateral Obligations and may be expected to do so in their own interest, rather than in the interests of the more subordinate Classes of Securities.

*Delayed Drawdown of the Class A-1B Notes*

Holder of the Class A-1B Notes will be obligated, subject to compliance by the Issuer with certain drawdown conditions, to advance funds to the Issuer during the Delayed Drawdown Period so long as the aggregate Drawn Amount of the Class A-1B Notes does not exceed the Fully Drawn Amount. If a holder of a Class A-1B Note should fail to advance funds to the Issuer as required under the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement, the Issuer may not be able to purchase additional Collateral Obligations, which may adversely affect the return on the Securities.



*Each of the Co-Issuers Is Newly Formed, Has No Significant Operating History, Has No Material Assets Other than the Collateral and Is Limited in Its Permitted Activities*

Each of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer is a newly formed entity and has no significant operating history, other than, with respect to the Issuer, in connection with the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations during the period up to the Ramp-Up Completion Date. Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer will have any material assets other than, with respect to the Issuer, the Collateral. The Indenture provides that the Issuer is not permitted to engage in any business activity other than the issuance of the Notes, the Preference Shares and the Issuer Ordinary Shares, the acquisition and disposition of Collateral Obligations, certain activities conducted in connection with the payment of amounts in respect of the Securities and the servicing of the Collateral, and other activities incidental or related to the foregoing and that the Co-Issuer is not permitted to engage in any business activity other than the co-issuance and sale of the Senior Notes, the issuance of its share capital, and other activities incidental or related to the foregoing. Income derived from the Collateral will be the Issuer's principal source of cash.

*The Securities Are Not Registered Under the Securities Act and the Issuer Is Not Registered under the Investment Company Act*

The Issuer has not registered the Securities under the Securities Act and the Issuer is not registered under the Investment Company Act, in reliance upon applicable exemptions to registration under the Securities Act and the Investment Company Act, respectively. The Issuer does not expect to register the Securities under the Securities Act nor become registered under the Investment Company Act at any time in the foreseeable future. As such, investors should be aware that the Issuer and the Securities are not subject to many of the regulatory protections and oversight applicable to securities that are registered under the Securities Act or applicable to registered investment companies.

*The Notes Are Limited Recourse Obligations; Investors Must Rely on Available Collections from the Collateral and Will Have No Other Source for Payment*

The Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuers and the Class D Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer. The Securities are payable solely from the Collateral pledged by the Issuer to secure the Notes. None of the security holders, members, officers, directors, partners, or incorporators of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, the Placement Agent, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Agent, the Administrator, the Share Registrar, the Share Trustee, any of their respective affiliates, or any other person will be obligated to make payments on the Notes. The Issuer's ability to make interest payments and principal repayments on the Notes will be constrained by the terms of the Indenture. Holders of the Notes must rely solely on collections received on the Collateral pledged to secure the Notes and for the payment of interest and principal on the Notes, and there can be no assurance that those collections will be sufficient to pay all amounts due on the Notes. If distributions on the Collateral are insufficient to make payments on the Notes, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and, following liquidation of all of the Collateral, the Co-Issuers will not have any obligation to pay any deficiency, which shall be extinguished and shall not revive.

*The Preference Shares Are not Secured Obligations; Investors Must Rely on Available Collections from the Collateral and Will Have No Other Source for Payment*

The Preference Shares will be part of the issued share capital of the Issuer. The Preference Shares are equity in the Issuer and are not secured by the Collateral Obligations or other Collateral securing the Notes. As such, the Holders of Preference Shares will rank behind all creditors, whether secured or unsecured and known or unknown, of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the Holders of

the Notes and any Hedge Counterparties (other than, to the extent described under the “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments,” the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares with respect to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments). Except with respect to the obligations of the Issuer to pay the amounts described under the “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” and “—Principal Proceeds,” the Issuer does not, however, expect to have any creditors though there can be no assurance that this will be the case. In addition, in accordance with the Indenture, the Issuer is also subject to limitations with respect to the business that it may undertake. See “The Co-Issuers—Business.” Payments in respect of the Preference Shares are subject to certain requirements imposed by Cayman Islands law. Any amounts paid by the Preference Shares Paying Agent as distributions by way of dividends on the Preference Shares will be payable only if the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or balance in the Issuer’s share premium account. In addition, dividends and the final payment upon redemption of the Preference Shares will be payable only to the extent that the Issuer is and will remain solvent after such dividends or redemption payment is paid. Under Cayman Islands law, a company is generally deemed to be solvent if it is able to pay its debts as they come due.

The Issuer’s obligation to pay dividends or to make other distributions to the Holders of the Preference Shares will therefore not be a secured obligation of the Issuer and such Holders will not be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture, nor will the Trustee have any obligation to act on behalf of the Holders of Preference Shares. With the exception of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, Holders of the Preference Shares will only be entitled to receive amounts available for payment of dividends or other distributions after payment of all amounts payable on each Class of Notes and certain other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments and only to the extent of distributable profits of the Issuer and/or any balance in the Issuer’s share premium account and (in each case) only to the extent that the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distributions.

To the extent the requirements under Cayman Islands law described in the preceding paragraphs are not met, amounts otherwise payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares (with the exception of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) will be retained in the Preference Shares Distribution Account until, in the case of dividends, the next succeeding Payment Date on which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent such requirements are met and, in the case of any payment on redemption of the Preference Shares, the next succeeding Business Day on which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent such requirements are met. Amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account will not be available to pay amounts due to the Holders of the Notes, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Servicer, any Hedge Counterparty or any other creditor of the Issuer whose claim is limited in recourse to the Collateral. However, amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account may be subject to the claims of creditors of the Issuer that have not contractually limited their recourse to the Collateral. The Indenture and the Preference Share Documents will limit the Issuer’s activities to the issuance and sale of the Securities, the acquisition and disposition of the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments and the other activities related to the issuance and sale of the Securities described under the “The Co-Issuers.” The Issuer therefore does not expect to have any significant full recourse liabilities that would be payable out of amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

*The Issuer May Distribute Eligible Equity Securities to the Holders of the Preference Shares in Lieu of Cash*

The Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, may direct the Trustee to distribute Eligible Equity Securities, in lieu of a distribution of Interest Proceeds, in whole or in part, to the Holders of the Preference Shares who consent to such distribution with respect to any applicable Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities, determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date, is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest

Proceeds that would otherwise be distributed to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares on the relevant Payment Date. The Market Value of any Eligible Equity Securities is subject to fluctuations and may increase or decrease following any distribution of such Eligible Equity Securities to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares, which, in certain circumstances, may result in the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares receiving overall a higher or lower internal rate of return compared with the internal rate of return received by the Holders of the Preference Shares who have not accepted any distribution of the Eligible Equity Securities.

*The Issuer May Not Be Able to Apply Available Funds to Acquire Appropriate Collateral*

The amount of Collateral Obligations purchased on the Closing Date, the amount and timing of the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations before the Ramp-Up Completion Date, and the subsequent application of Principal Proceeds, will affect the cash flows available to make payments on, and the return to the Holders of, the Securities. Reduced liquidity and relatively lower volumes of trading in certain Collateral Obligations, in addition to restrictions on acquisition represented by the Eligibility Criteria, could result in periods during which the Issuer is not able to fully utilize its available cash to acquire Collateral Obligations, and it is unlikely that the Issuer's available cash will be fully applied in Collateral Obligations at any time. The longer the period before application of cash or cash-equivalents to acquire Collateral Obligations and the larger the amount of such cash or cash equivalents, the greater the adverse impact may be on aggregate interest collected and distributed by the Issuer, thereby resulting in lower yield than could have been obtained if the net proceeds associated with the offering of the Securities and all Principal Proceeds were immediately and fully applied. The associated risk will be borne first by the Holders of the Preference Shares and second by the Holders of the Notes (beginning with the most subordinated Class of Notes). Although the Servicer may mitigate this risk to some degree during the Replacement Period by declaring a Special Redemption, the Servicer is not required to do so, and any Special Redemption may result in a lower yield on the Issuer's assets than could have been obtained if the net proceeds from the offering of the Securities and all Principal Proceeds were immediately and fully applied and no Special Redemption had taken place.

Generally, Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations, and Sale Proceeds received on the Collateral Obligations) will be applied during the Replacement Period (and, Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, may be applied on any date after the Replacement Period, at the discretion of the Servicer) to purchase replacement Collateral Obligations or temporarily held in Eligible Investments pending purchase of replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The earnings with respect to replacement Collateral Obligations will depend on, among other factors, interest rates available in the marketplace at the time and on the availability of Collateral Obligations acceptable to the Servicer that satisfy the criteria under "Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria." The need to satisfy the criteria and identify acceptable Collateral Obligations may require the purchase of replacement Collateral Obligations having lower yields than those initially acquired or require that Principal Proceeds be held temporarily in cash or Eligible Investments, which will reduce the yield earned by the Issuer. Further, issuers of Collateral Obligations may be more likely to exercise any rights they may have to redeem them when interest rates or spreads are declining. Any decrease in the yield on the Collateral Obligations will reduce the amounts available to make payments of principal and interest on the Notes and payments on the Preference Shares.

The Issuer expects that, as of the Closing Date, it will have purchased (or entered into commitments to purchase) approximately U.S.\$677,332,536 in Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations to be included in the anticipated portfolio as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

*Changes in Tax Law Could Result in the Imposition of Withholding Taxes with Respect to Payments on the Securities, and the Issuer Will Not Gross-Up Payments to Holders*

Although no withholding tax is currently imposed by the United States or the Cayman Islands on payments on the Securities, there can be no assurance that, as a result of any change in any applicable law, treaty, rule, regulation, or interpretation thereof, the payments with respect to the Securities would not in the future become subject to withholding taxes. If any withholding tax is imposed on payments on any Securities, the Issuer will not “gross up” payments to their Holders.

*The Securities Are Subject to Substantial Transfer Restrictions*

The Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act, under any U.S. state securities or “Blue Sky” laws, or under the securities laws of any other jurisdiction and are being issued and sold in reliance upon exemptions from registration provided by those laws. No Securities may be sold or transferred unless: the sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act (for example, in reliance on exemptions provided by Rule 144A or Regulation S) and applicable state securities laws; and the sale or transfer does not cause either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral to become subject to the registration requirements of the Investment Company Act. See “Transfer Restrictions” and “Considerations for Benefit Plans.”

*Non-Compliance with Restrictions on Ownership of the Securities and Acquisition or Disposition of Collateral Obligations under the Investment Company Act Could Adversely Affect the Issuer*

Neither of the Co-Issuers has registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) as an investment company pursuant to the Investment Company Act in reliance on an exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Section 3(c)(7) for companies organized under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States or any of its states whose investors residing in the United States are solely “qualified purchasers” (within the meaning given to such term in the Investment Company Act and related SEC regulations).

The Issuer and the Co-Issuer may, at any time following the Closing Date, rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7) upon (a) receipt of an opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm providing that neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer is required to register as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on such exclusion under Rule 3a-7 and (b) notice to the Holders of the Securities in accordance with the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. In connection with this alternate reliance, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents may be amended without the consent of any Holders to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Issuers or the Holders that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7. See “—The Servicer May Cause the Issuer to Amend the Indenture to Assure Compliance with Rule 3a-7 Without the Consent of the Holders of the Securities in a Manner that May Adversely Affect the Holders of Securities.”

No opinion or no-action position with respect to the registration of either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral under the Investment Company Act has been requested of, or received from, the SEC. If the SEC or a court of competent jurisdiction were to find that the Issuer or the Co-Issuer is required, but in violation of the Investment Company Act had failed, to register as an investment company, possible consequences include the following: (i) the SEC could apply to a district court to enjoin the violation; (ii) investors in the Issuer or the Co-Issuer could sue the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, and recover any damages caused by the violation; and (iii) any contract to which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, is party whose performance involves a violation of the Investment Company Act

would be unenforceable by any party to the contract unless a court were to find that under the circumstances enforcement would produce a more equitable result than non-enforcement and would not be inconsistent with the purposes of the Investment Company Act.

In addition, the Issuer's being required to register as an investment company would result in an Event of Default. See "Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default." Should the Issuer or the Co-Issuer be subjected to any or all of the foregoing, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, would be materially and adversely affected.

*Restrictions on Acquisition or Disposition of Collateral Obligations May Reduce the Earnings of the Holders of the Securities*

Rule 3a-7 imposes limitations on the ability of the Issuer to purchase or sell assets, including prohibiting the Issuer from purchasing or selling assets for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. The Indenture will restrict the Issuer from purchasing and selling assets consistent with such requirements of Rule 3a-7. Under these restrictions the Issuer may be required to hold a Collateral Obligation or precluded from acquiring a Collateral Obligation when it would have sold such Collateral Obligation or acquired such Collateral Obligation, as applicable, had it based such determination on the market value changes in the value of such Collateral Obligations. As a result, greater losses on the Collateral may be sustained and there may be insufficient proceeds on any Payment Date to pay in full any expenses of the Issuer or any amounts payable to the Trustee or the Administrator (all of which amounts are payable prior to payments in respect of the Notes) and the payments due on the Securities. See "Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations."

*The Servicer May Cause the Issuer to Amend the Indenture to Assure Compliance with Rule 3a-7 Without the Consent of the Holders of the Securities in a Manner That May Adversely Affect the Holders of Securities*

On the Closing Date, HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries will purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares. The Servicer will act as the manager for HFP. HFP and Highland Financial Trust, the owner of substantially all of the limited partnership interests of HFP, may need to rely on an exception from the definition of "investment company" and the requirement to register under the Investment Company Act that in turn depends upon the Issuer not being an investment company required to register under the Investment Company Act by reason of Rule 3a-7 thereunder in lieu of the Issuer's reliance on Section 3(c)(7). It is expected that, in connection with certain capital raising activities of Highland Financial Trust, the SEC may consider the applicability of Rule 3a-7 to the Issuer. If it were determined that the Issuer cannot rely on Rule 3a-7, the Servicer may cause the Issuer to amend the Indenture without the consent of the Holders of the Notes and without the consent of the Holders of the Preference Shares to enable the Issuer to rely on Rule 3a-7, which could require additional limitations and prohibitions on the circumstances under which the Issuer may sell assets, on the type of assets that the Issuer may acquire out of the proceeds of assets that mature, are refinanced or otherwise sold, on the period during which such transactions may occur, on the level of transactions that may occur or on other provisions of the Indenture and could adversely affect the earnings of the Issuer and its ability to make payments on the Notes and distributions to the Preference Shares. As a condition to the effectiveness of any such amendment to the Indenture, the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer will receive (i) a Rating Confirmation with respect to such amendment and (ii) a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such amendment and assuming compliance with the Indenture as so amended, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act in reliance on such

exemption under Rule 3a-7. Such nationally recognized law firm may also be acting as counsel to the Servicer, certain Holders of Notes and/or Preference Shares. The interests of any such parties may not coincide with the interest of other Holders of Notes and/or Preference Shares. See “Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Supplemental Indenture.”

*The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary*

The Stated Maturity of the Notes is February 1, 2022 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date. The weighted average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years until their Stated Maturity. See “Description of the Securities.” The weighted average life of a Class of Notes will be affected by the amount and timing of payments of principal of the Notes and the amount and timing of payments received on the Collateral Obligations. The amount and timing of payments of principal on the Notes will be affected by, among other things, any Optional Redemption of the Notes, a Refinancing of any Class of the Notes, a failure of any Coverage Test, a Rating Confirmation Failure, any failure by the Servicer to apply the proceeds of the offering of the Securities in Collateral Obligations, a redemption of the Securities made in connection with a Tax Event, any Special Redemption of one or more Classes of Notes, and an Event of Default by the Issuer in the payment of the Notes and an acceleration of the principal of the Notes in connection with an Event of Default. The occurrence of any of the foregoing unscheduled principal repayments of the Notes is, in turn, determined by the amount and timing of payments on the Collateral, which will be dependent on, among other things, the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral and the characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, including the existence and frequency of exercise of any prepayment, optional redemption, or sinking fund features, the prevailing level of interest rates, the redemption price, the actual default rate and the actual level of recoveries on any Defaulted Collateral Obligations, the frequency of tender or exchange offers for the Collateral Obligations and any sales of Collateral Obligations, dividends or other distributions received on any obligations that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange do not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, as well as the risks unique to Collateral Obligations of foreign issuers. See “Security for the Notes.”

*A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected*

Under the Indenture, the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled, on each Extension Effective Date, to extend the Replacement Period (a maximum of four times) to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. Under the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents, if the Replacement Period is so extended, the Stated Maturity of the Notes (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) will be equally extended and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended without the requirement for any approval or consent of any Holders of Securities. Holders of Securities will not be able to prevent or prohibit the extension of the Stated Maturity of the Notes (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) so long as the Extension Conditions are satisfied, which include the ability of Holders of Securities to sell their Securities at the designated purchase price to a designated purchaser under the Indenture. However, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Indenture provides that Holders of Preference Shares that have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% as of the Extension Effective Date will not receive any payment in exchange for their Preference Shares sold in connection with any Maturity Extension.

The Issuer and/or the Servicer may (but shall not be obligated to) agree separately with one or more Holders of Notes, Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares (including the Placement Agent, any affiliate of the Placement Agent or an affiliate of the Servicer) that any such Holder will have the right to receive a greater purchase price than the Extension Purchase Price set forth in the Indenture and, in the case of any such Holder of Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares (including the Placement Agent, any affiliate of the Placement Agent or an affiliate of the Servicer), that such Holder will have the right to receive such purchase price if such Holder has not received an agreed upon Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as the case may be, as of the Extension Effective Date that is in excess of 12.0%.

As a consequence, if the Servicer elects to extend the Replacement Period and the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Holders of the Securities may either be required to hold their Securities for a significantly longer period of time or be forced to sell their Securities for the applicable purchase price under the Indenture, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Securities.

*An Amendment Buy-Out May Result in a Shorter Holding Period Than Expected*

Any Non-Consenting Holder of Securities with respect to an amendment of the Indenture (which includes Holders that fail to respond to a consent solicitation within the applicable period) may be forced to sell its applicable Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Securities. However, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Indenture provides that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price will be zero for Non-Consenting Holders that have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% as of the Amendment Buy-Out Date. See “Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out.” A Holder’s ability to vote against an amendment or affect or influence the amendment process with respect to the Indenture may thus be limited. The Amendment Buy-Out Option may also increase the ability of the Servicer to affect or influence the amendment process.

The Issuer and/or the Servicer may (but shall not be obligated to) agree separately with one or more Holders of Notes, Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares (including the Placement Agent, any affiliate of the Placement Agent or an affiliate of the Servicer) that any such Holder will have the right to receive a greater purchase price than the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price set forth in the Indenture and, in the case of any such Holder of Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares (including the Placement Agent, any affiliate of the Placement Agent or an affiliate of the Servicer), that such Holder will have the right to receive such purchase price if such Holder has not received an agreed upon Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as the case may be, as of the Amendment Buy-Out Date that is in excess of 12.0%.

*A Refinancing of Non-Consenting Holder’s Notes May Result in a Shorter Holding Period Than Expected*

If any Noteholder becomes a Non-Consenting Holder with respect to a Pricing Amendment of the Indenture (which includes Holders that fail to respond to a consent solicitation within the applicable period) that is otherwise consented to by the Servicer and a Majority of the Preference Shares, then a Majority of the Preference Shares and the Servicer may direct the Co-Issuers and the Trustee to effect a Non-Consenting Note Refinancing of such Non-Consenting Holder’s Notes, as set forth in “Description of the Securities—Refinancing of Non-Consenting Holder’s Notes”. Such a refinancing would result in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Securities. A Holder’s ability to vote against an amendment or affect or influence the amendment process with respect to the Indenture

may thus be limited. The Non-Consenting Note Refinancing process may also increase the ability of the Servicer to affect or influence the amendment process.

*The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests*

If any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied on any Determination Date on which the Notes of the relevant Class are Outstanding, Interest Proceeds available on the related Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments (and, to the extent Interest Proceeds are insufficient, Principal Proceeds available on the Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments) are required to be applied to pay principal of the relevant Class of Notes (and any Classes senior to it) to the extent necessary for the relevant Coverage Test to be satisfied. The application of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to pay principal of the Notes to the extent necessary to restore the Coverage Tests to certain minimum required levels could result in an elimination, deferral or reduction in the amounts available to make distributions on the Preference Shares and interest and principal payments on one or more classes of Notes, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of the Securities.

*The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure*

If any rating of any Class of Notes is reduced or withdrawn or placed on credit watch with negative implications by the Business Day after the 29<sup>th</sup> day after the Ramp-Up Completion Date by either Rating Agency, Interest Proceeds and, if Interest Proceeds are insufficient, Principal Proceeds, are required to be diverted in accordance with the Priority of Payments and used to pay the principal of the Notes sequentially in order of their relative priority on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date after that until each rating is reinstated. The application of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to pay principal of the Notes to the extent necessary for one or more ratings to be reinstated could result in an elimination, deferral, or reduction in one or more payments or distributions on one or more Classes of Securities, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of those Classes of Securities.

*The Indenture Permits Special Redemption of Notes Based on the Servicer's Inability to Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations*

The Servicer is permitted under the Indenture to elect to have all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations applied to a Special Redemption of the Notes, in whole or in part, on one or more Payment Dates during the Replacement Period because it has been unable, for a period of at least 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional or replacement Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the application of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations. On the Special Redemption Date, in accordance with the Indenture, the Special Redemption Amount will be applied in accordance with "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds," to the extent available (which includes for this purpose unapplied proceeds specified by the Servicer), to pay the principal of the Notes. The application of funds in that manner could result in an elimination, deferral, or reduction of amounts available to make payments on Securities subordinate in priority to the Securities being amortized. See "Description of the Securities—Special Redemption of Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture."

*The Notes Are Subject to Optional Redemption*

Subject to satisfaction of certain conditions, on any Payment Date upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the applicable Required Redemption Percentage may



require that the Notes be redeemed as described under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.” In the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Servicer may be required to aggregate Collateral Obligations to be sold together in one block transaction, thereby possibly resulting in a lower realized value for the Collateral Obligations sold. There can be no assurance that the market value of the Collateral will be sufficient for the applicable Required Redemption Percentage to direct an Optional Redemption of the Notes. A decrease in the market value of the Collateral would adversely affect the Sale Proceeds from their sale. Consequently, the conditions precedent to the exercise of an Optional Redemption may not be met. Moreover, the Holders of the Notes may not be able to invest the proceeds of the redemption of the Notes in investments providing a return equal to or greater than the Holders of the Notes expected to obtain from their investment in the Notes.

*The Notes Are Subject to Redemption by Refinancing*

The Co-Issuers, at the direction of the Servicer and with the approval of a Majority of the Preference Shares (voting as a single Class), may effect a Refinancing of any Class of Notes, as described under the “Description of the Securities—Redemption by Refinancing”. The Co-Issuers’ ability to effect a Refinancing of any Class of Notes may result in a shorter term investment than a Noteholder may have anticipated. In addition, if interest rates on investments similar to the Notes fall below current levels, the Servicer may cause a Refinancing that would result in some or all of the Notes being repaid at par at a time when they may be trading in the market at a premium and when other investments bearing the same rate of interest relative to the level of risk assumed may be difficult or expensive to acquire. In the case of a Refinancing, the Refinancing Notes issued pursuant to a Refinancing or the other financing obtained by the Issuer would have such terms and priorities as are negotiated by the Servicer.

*Future Ratings of the Notes Are Not Assured and Limited in Scope; the Preference Shares Are Not Rated*

It is a condition to the issuance of the Notes that they be rated as provided under “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.” A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and is subject to revision or withdrawal at any time. There is no assurance that a rating will remain for any given period or that a rating will not be lowered or withdrawn entirely by each Rating Agency if in its judgment circumstances in the future so warrant. Any such action could have an adverse effect on the Holders of the relevant Class of Securities. If a rating initially assigned to a Class of Notes is subsequently lowered for any reason, no person is obligated to provide any additional credit support or credit enhancement. The ratings of the Notes are based on the assumption that no Maturity Extension occurs at any time.

No rating of the Preference Shares will be sought or obtained in connection with their issuance.

*Events Outside the Control of the Co-Issuers and the Servicer Can Affect the Securities*

Various acts of God, force majeure, and certain other events beyond the control of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Placement Agent, the Collateral Administrator, the Indenture Registrar, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Administrator could affect the ability of financial institutions to process payments and transfer funds and could impair the financial records and record-keeping practices of financial institutions and others (including the Trustee, the Servicer, the Placement Agent, the Collateral Administrator, the Indenture Registrar, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Administrator). In addition, the existence of those circumstances could cause lenders and other creditors more readily to agree to restructure debt obligations (including payment terms) than they would in the absence of those circumstances. The existence of those circumstances could adversely affect the ability of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, to make timely payments on the Securities.

*The Issuer Could Be Treated as Engaged in a United States Trade or Business*

Prior to the issuance of the Securities, the Issuer will receive an opinion from Dechert LLP (“**Tax Counsel**”), which opinion is based in part on the safe harbor provided by Section 864(b)(2) of the Code and the Treasury regulations thereunder applying to non-U.S. persons that restrict their activities in the United States to trading in stocks and securities for their own account. The opinion will be to the effect that, although no activity closely comparable to that contemplated by the Issuer has been the subject of any Treasury regulation, revenue ruling or judicial decision and the matter is not free from doubt, assuming compliance with the Issuer’s Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement and other related documents by all parties thereto, the Issuer’s permitted activities will not cause it to be treated as engaged in the conduct of a U.S. trade or business under the Code. However, in the absence of authority on point, whether the Issuer is or will be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States or not is not entirely free from doubt, and there can be no assurance that positions contrary to those stated in the opinion of Tax Counsel or any other advice or opinion may not be asserted successfully by the Internal Revenue Service (the “**IRS**”). The opinion is based on certain assumptions and on certain representations and agreements regarding restrictions on the future conduct of the activities of the Issuer and the Servicer. Although the Issuer intends to conduct its business in accordance with such assumptions, representations and agreements, if it were nonetheless determined that the Issuer was engaged in a United States trade or business and had taxable income that is effectively connected with such United States trade or business, foreign investors in Preference Shares that would otherwise not be subject to U.S. federal income tax would be subject to U.S. federal income tax on their allocable share of the Issuer’s income and the Issuer would be required to withhold on income allocable to such foreign investors of the Preference Shares regardless of whether distributions were made to such holders. Such withholding may reduce the amounts available to make payments on the Notes and would reduce distributions to the holders of the Preference Shares. Investors should note that the Treasury and the IRS recently announced that they are considering taxpayer requests for specific guidance on, among other things, whether a foreign person may be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States by virtue of entering into credit default swaps. However, the Treasury and the IRS have not yet provided any guidance on whether they believe entering into credit default swaps may cause a foreign person to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States and if so, what facts and circumstances must be present for this conclusion to apply. Any future guidance issued by the Treasury and/or the IRS may have an adverse impact on the tax treatment of the Issuer. See discussion under the heading “Material Income Tax Considerations—U.S. Federal Income Taxation of the Issuer—U.S. Federal Income Tax” below. There can be no assurance that, if the Issuer were determined to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States, it would be able to make timely payments of interest on, payment of principal and payment of other distributions at the applicable Stated Maturity of the Securities. In addition, all or a portion of the payments on the Securities to a holder that is not a U.S. Holder (as defined in “Material Income Tax Considerations—General” below) could in such circumstance be subject to a 30% U.S. federal withholding tax. See “Material Income Tax Considerations.”

*Benefit Plan Investors*

Certain transactions involving the Co-Issuers in the ordinary course might be deemed to constitute “prohibited transactions” under the United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“**ERISA**”), and Section 4975 of the Code with respect to Benefit Plan Investors (as defined in “Considerations for Benefit Plans”) subject thereto that purchase the Securities, if assets of the Issuer and/or the Co-Issuer were deemed to be “plan assets” subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or Similar Law (as defined in “Considerations for Benefit Plans”). The Issuer intends to restrict ownership of the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares by Benefit Plan Investors so that no assets of the Issuer will be deemed to be “plan assets” of a plan subject to Title I of ERISA or Section

4975 of the Code. Specifically, the Issuer, in reliance on purchaser and transferee representations and deemed representations, intends to restrict the acquisition of the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares so that less than 25% of the aggregate outstanding amount of each of the Class D Notes, the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares will be held by Benefit Plan Investors (determined without regard to those Class D Notes, the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares held by Controlling Persons (as defined in “Considerations for Benefit Plans”), such as the Class D Notes, the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares held by the Servicer or its affiliates and employees thereof). However, there can be no assurance that the ownership of any of the Class D Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares by Benefit Plan Investors will always remain below the 25% threshold established under the Plan Asset Regulation (as defined in “Considerations for Benefit Plans”).

Although the Co-Issuers believe that the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and, after the end of the Delayed Drawdown Period, the Class A-1B Notes (collectively, the “**ERISA-Eligible Senior Notes**”) should be classified as indebtedness (rather than as equity) for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulation (as defined in “Considerations for Benefit Plans”) (and thus will allow more than 25% of each class of ERISA-Eligible Senior Notes to be purchased by Benefit Plan Investors), there can be no assurance that the ERISA-Eligible Senior Notes will be so characterized, and the characterization of one or more classes of the ERISA-Eligible Senior Notes could change if the financial condition of the Co-Issuers changes or other terms and conditions of the ERISA-Eligible Senior Notes change.

If the Benefit Plan Investor ownership of any of the Class D Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares were to meet or exceed the 25% threshold described above, or any class of the Senior Notes were characterized as equity and such threshold were exceeded with respect to such class, resulting in the assets of the Co-Issuers being deemed to be “plan assets,” certain transactions that the Co-Issuers might enter into, or may have entered into, in the ordinary course of business, might constitute non-exempt prohibited transactions under ERISA and/or Section 4975 of the Code and might have to be rescinded. Additionally, the Co-Issuers or other “parties in interest” (as defined in Section 3(14) of ERISA) or “disqualified persons” (as defined in Section 4975(e)(2) of the Code) may be subject to other penalties and liabilities with respect to the transaction.

In addition, the acquisition or holding of the Securities by or on behalf of a plan subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, or a governmental or church plan subject to laws substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, could give rise to a prohibited transaction if any of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Placement Agent, other persons providing services in connection with the Co-Issuers, or any of their respective affiliates, is a “disqualified person” or “party in interest” with respect to that plan. If such transaction is not exempt from ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code or, if applicable, substantially similar laws pertaining to governmental or church plans, the transaction may have to be rescinded and the Co-Issuers or other “disqualified persons” or “parties in interest” may be subject to other penalties with respect to the transaction. Therefore, each investor in the Securities will be required or deemed to represent and warrant that either (i) it is not, and is not using the assets of, and throughout the holding and disposition of such Securities will not become or transfer its interest to, a plan subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, or an entity that is deemed to hold assets of any of the foregoing or a governmental or church plan which is subject to any federal, state or local law that is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or (ii) its purchase, holding and disposition of such Securities will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental or church plan, any substantially similar federal, state or local law) because such purchase, holding and disposition either (x) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (y) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all of

the conditions of which are and will be satisfied upon the acquisition of, and throughout its holding and disposition of such Securities.

Any transfer in violation of the foregoing representations will be treated as having no force and effect and will be null and void *ab initio*, potentially causing loss to the investor purchasing in violation of these representations.

See “Considerations for Benefit Plans” herein for a more detailed discussion of certain ERISA and related considerations with respect to an investment in the Securities by an employee benefit plan or similar plan or arrangement.

### **Relating to the Servicing Agreement**

*The Servicing Agreement May Be Amended Without the Consent of Holders of Securities Whether or Not Such Amendment Adversely Affects Holders of Securities*

The Issuer may, at the request of the Servicer, enter into an amendment or modification of the Servicing Agreement from time to time, without the consent of the Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not the interests of the Holders of the Securities are adversely affected thereby; *provided that*, with respect to any such amendment or modification, (a) the Rating Condition is satisfied and (b) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares have not objected in writing to such amendment or modification by delivering a notice to the Trustee prior to the relevant Objection Cut-Off Date. Holders of the Securities other than Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and Holders of the Preference Shares will have no ability to vote against any such amendment or modification. The ability of the Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and Holders of the Preference Shares to influence the amendment process is limited to the right of a Majority of either such Class to object as described above. To the extent that less than a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares object to the proposed amendment or modification, the Servicer may request that the Issuer enter into such amendment or modification and the Trustee consent thereto, without regard to the fact that certain Holders of the Securities may have objected to such proposed amendment or modification.

### **Relating to the Servicer**

*The Issuer Will Depend on the Expertise Available to the Servicer and its Key Personnel*

The performance of the Issuer’s portfolio of Collateral Obligations depends heavily on the skills of the Servicer in analyzing, selecting and monitoring the Collateral Obligations. As a result, the Issuer will be highly dependent on the financial and servicing experience of certain professionals associated with the Servicer, none of whom is under a contractual obligation to the Issuer to continue to be associated with the Servicer for the term of this transaction. The loss of one or more of these individuals could have a material adverse effect on the performance of the Co-Issuers. Furthermore, the Servicer has informed the Issuer that these professionals are also actively involved in other activities and will not be able to devote all of their time to the Issuer’s business and affairs. In addition, individuals not currently associated with the Servicer may become associated with the Servicer and the cash-flow performance of the Collateral Obligations may also depend on the financial and servicing experience of such individuals. See “The Servicing Agreement” and “The Servicer.”

*The Issuer Will Have Limited Control of the Administration and Amendment of Collateral Obligations*

The Servicer will cause the Issuer to exercise or enforce, or refrain from exercising or enforcing, its rights in connection with the Collateral Obligations or any related documents or will refuse amendments or waivers of the terms of any Collateral Obligation and related documents in accordance with its ordinary business practices as if the Servicer were administering the Collateral Obligations for its own account. The authority of the Servicer to cause the Issuer to change the terms of the Collateral Obligations will generally not be restricted by the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement. As a result, the Issuer will be relying on the Servicer's customary standards, policies and procedures with respect to the servicing of the Collateral Obligations. The Holders of the Securities and the Issuer will not have any right to compel the Issuer or the Servicer to take or refrain from taking any actions other than in accordance with its ordinary business practices.

In addition, when the Issuer holds a Participation, the Issuer generally will have no right to enforce compliance by the borrower with the loan or credit agreement or other instrument evidencing the related loan obligation, no rights of set-off against the borrower, no direct interest in the collateral supporting the loan obligation, and no right to vote with respect to amendments of, or waivers of defaults under, the loan obligation. However, most participation agreements relating to Participations in loans provide that the Participating Institution may not vote in favor of any amendment, modification, or waiver that forgives principal, interest, or fees; reduces principal, interest, or fees that are payable; postpones any payment of principal (whether a scheduled payment or a mandatory prepayment), interest or fees; or releases any material guarantee or security without the consent of the participant (at least to the extent the participant would be affected by the amendment, modification, or waiver). A Participating Institution voting in connection with a potential waiver of a default by an obligor may have interests different from those of the Issuer, and the Participating Institution might not consider the interests of the Issuer in connection with its vote. In addition, many participation agreements relating to Participations in loans that do provide voting rights to the participant further provide that if the participant does not vote in favor of amendments, modifications, or waivers, the Participating Institution may repurchase the Participation at par. In the event of the insolvency of the Participating Institution, the Issuer may be treated as a general creditor of the Participating Institution with respect to a Participation and may not benefit from any set-off between the Participating Institution and the borrower and may not be able to proceed against the collateral supporting the loan obligation. As a result, the Issuer is subject to the credit risk of both the borrower and the Participating Institution. An acquisition by the Issuer of a Synthetic Security related to a Loan involves many of the same considerations relevant to Participations. See “—Relating to the Collateral Obligations—Loans Involve Particular Risks” and “—Synthetic Securities Involve Particular Risks” below.

A modification that would increase the commitment of a lender, reduce the interest rate, or postpone the final maturity of an obligation under a participation agreement, or release all of the collateral for an obligation, generally requires the affirmative vote of the participating lender for a loan in which the Issuer owns a Participation, or of the Issuer for a Loan purchased by assignment, for the increase, reduction, or postponement to be binding. The exercise of remedies may also be subject to the vote of a specified percentage of the lenders under the loan obligation. The Servicer will have the authority to cause the Issuer to consent to certain amendments, waivers, or modifications to the Collateral Obligations requested by obligors or the lead agents for participation agreements relating to Participations (subject to operating procedures intended to reduce the risk that the Issuer would be deemed to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States for United States federal income tax purposes). The Servicer may, subject to the transaction documents, cause the Issuer to extend or defer the maturity, adjust the outstanding balance of any Collateral Obligation, reduce or forgive interest or fees, release material collateral or guarantees, or otherwise amend, modify, or waive the terms of any related loan agreement,

including its payment terms. The Servicer will make determinations in accordance with its servicing standards under the Servicing Agreement. Any amendment, waiver, or modification of a Collateral Obligation could postpone the expected maturity of the Notes or the expected redemption date of the Preference Shares, or reduce the likelihood of timely and complete payment of interest or principal under the Notes or a full return of an investment in the Preference Shares.

*Performance History of the Servicer May Not Be Indicative of Future Results*

Any prior results of the Servicer and the persons associated with it or any other entity with respect to servicing or management of assets may not be indicative of the Issuer's future results. The nature of, and risks associated with, the Issuer's future assets may differ substantially from those assets historically associated with the Servicer, and the persons associated with it or any other entity. There can be no assurance that the Issuer's assets will perform as well as the past assets serviced or managed by the Servicer, and the persons associated with it or any other entity. Moreover, since the criteria that govern the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations do not govern the Servicer's activities generally, the acquisition and disposition of Collateral Obligations conducted in accordance with the criteria contained in the Indenture, and the results they yield, may differ substantially from other assets serviced or managed by the Servicer.

Other accounts, collateralized debt obligations or other funds managed or serviced by the Servicer that are similar to the Issuer ("**Other Debt Funds**") have been structured to comply with the exemption from registration under the Investment Company Act provided by Section 3(c)(7) thereunder, whereas the Issuer is also structured to comply with the exemption from registration provided by Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act and may in the future, subject to the conditions described herein, rely exclusively on such exemption from registration provided by Rule 3a-7. Rule 3a-7 requires certain additional limitations and restrictions on the buying and selling of assets of the Issuer that are not applicable to the assets of the Other Debt Funds relying on the Section 3(c)(7) exemption from registration. As a result, the Issuer's ability to react to changes in market value of the assets is more limited and the returns on the Issuer's assets and the Securities, including the returns on the Preference Shares, may not be comparable to, and may differ materially from, the performance of the Other Debt Funds.

Notwithstanding the inapplicability of the results obtained and expected to be obtained from the past activities of the Servicer, a period of increased volatility in market conditions, including interest rate environments, can have an adverse effect on the realized and unrealized returns to investors in the past products of the Servicer. There can be no assurance that current economic conditions and the effects of increased interest rate and corresponding price volatility will not adversely impact the investment returns ultimately realized by investors or continued compliance with, among other things, applicable coverage requirements described in this Offering Memorandum.

**Relating to the Collateral Obligations**

*In General, the Collateral Obligations Are Subject to Various Risks*

The Collateral Obligations are subject to credit, liquidity, and interest rate risks, among others. The Eligibility Criteria and the Collateral Quality Tests have been established to address certain assumed deficiencies in payment occasioned by defaults with respect to the Collateral Obligations. If any deficiencies exceed certain modeled scenarios, however, payments or distributions on the Securities could be adversely affected. To the extent that a default occurs with respect to any Collateral Obligation securing the Notes and the Issuer (on the advice of the Servicer) sells or otherwise disposes of the

Collateral Obligation, it is not likely that the proceeds of the sale or other disposition will be equal to the amount of principal and interest owing to the Issuer on the Collateral Obligation.

The value of the Collateral Obligations generally will fluctuate with, among other things, the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral Obligations (and, with respect to Synthetic Securities, both the financial condition of the related Synthetic Security counterparties and the obligors on or issuers of the Reference Obligations), general economic conditions, the condition of certain financial markets, national and international political events, continuing threats of terrorist attacks, developments or trends in any particular industry, and changes in prevailing interest rates.

The ability of the Issuer to sell Collateral Obligations before their maturity is subject to certain restrictions under the Indenture including those described under “Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations.”

*Below Investment-Grade Obligations Involve Particular Risks*

A substantial amount of the Collateral Obligations will consist of loans, bonds and other obligations that are below investment grade, including high-yield loans and securities. Those Collateral Obligations will have greater credit and liquidity risk than investment-grade obligations. They are also often unsecured and may be subordinated to certain other obligations of their issuer. The lower rating of those Collateral Obligations reflects a greater possibility that adverse changes in the financial condition of an issuer or in general economic conditions or both may impair the ability of their issuer to make payments of principal or interest. These Collateral Obligations may be speculative.

Risks of below investment-grade Collateral Obligations may include (among others):

- (i) limited liquidity and secondary market support;
- (ii) in the case of fixed-rate high-yield debt securities, substantial market place volatility resulting from changes in prevailing interest rates;
- (iii) subordination to the prior claims of senior lenders and creditors;
- (iv) the operation of mandatory sinking fund or call and redemption provisions during periods of declining interest rates that could cause the Issuer to apply premature redemption proceeds in lower-yielding debt obligations;
- (v) the possibility that earnings of the below investment-grade issuer may be insufficient to meet its debt service; and
- (vi) the declining creditworthiness and potential for insolvency of a below investment-grade issuer during periods of rising interest rates and economic downturn.

An economic downturn or an increase in interest rates could severely disrupt the market for below investment-grade obligations and could adversely affect the value of outstanding below investment-grade obligations and the ability of their issuers to repay principal and interest.

Issuers that are below investment grade may be highly leveraged and may not have available to them more traditional methods of financing. The risk associated with obligations of below investment-grade issuers is generally greater than is the case with investment-grade issuers. For example, during an economic downturn or a sustained period of rising interest rates, below investment-grade issuers may be

more likely to experience financial stress, especially if they are highly leveraged. During those periods, timely service of debt obligations may also be adversely affected by specific issuer developments, or the issuer's inability to meet specific projected business forecasts or the unavailability of additional financing. The risk of loss from default by the issuer is significantly greater for the holders of below investment-grade obligations because those obligations may be unsecured and may be subordinated to obligations owed to other creditors of the issuer. In addition, the Issuer may incur additional expenses to the extent it is required to seek recovery upon a default on such an obligation or participate in its restructuring.

As a result of the limited liquidity of below investment-grade obligations, their prices have at times experienced significant and rapid decline when a substantial number of holders decided to sell. In addition, the Issuer may have difficulty disposing of certain below investment-grade obligations because there may be a thin trading market for them. To the extent that a secondary trading market for below investment-grade obligations does exist, it is generally not as liquid as the secondary market for highly rated obligations. Reduced secondary market liquidity may have an adverse impact on the Issuer's ability to dispose of particular Collateral Obligations in response to a specific economic event, such as a deterioration in the creditworthiness of the issuer of the Collateral Obligation.

#### *Loans Involve Particular Risks*

The Collateral Obligations will consist primarily of Dollar-denominated senior secured and senior unsecured loans, which are required by the Indenture to be obligations of corporations, partnerships, or other entities organized under the laws of the United States (or any of its states) or of foreign obligors meeting specified criteria, or Synthetic Securities the Reference Obligations of which are such loans. See "Security for the Notes—Collateral Obligations."

Loans may become non-performing for a variety of reasons. Non-performing loans may require substantial workout negotiations or restructuring that may entail, among other things, a substantial reduction in the interest rate or a substantial write-down of the principal of a loan. In addition, because of the unique and customized nature of a loan agreement and the private syndication of a loan, loans typically may not be purchased or sold as easily as publicly traded securities, and historically the trading volume in the bank term loan market has been small relative to the corporate bond market. Loans may encounter trading delays due to their unique and customized nature, and transfers may require the consent of an agent bank or borrower.

The Issuer may acquire interests in loans either directly (by assignment) or indirectly (by Participation or through Synthetic Securities). Pursuant to the Indenture and its organizational documents, the Issuer may not originate any loans. The purchaser of an assignment of a loan obligation typically succeeds to all the rights and obligations of the selling institution and becomes a lender under the loan or credit agreement with respect to the debt obligation. In contrast, a Participation acquired by the Issuer in a portion of a loan obligation held by a Participating Institution or a security or other debt obligation typically results in a contractual relationship only with the Participating Institution, not with the borrower. The Issuer would have the right to receive payments of principal, interest, and any fees to which it is entitled under a Participation only from the Participating Institution and only upon receipt by the Participating Institution of those payments from the borrower. The Issuer will be subject to restrictions on the amount of Participations that may be acquired for inclusion in the Collateral. See "Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria."

Certain of the loans in the Issuer's portfolio may be unsecured or secured by collateral worth less than the outstanding balance of the loan. In the case of secured loans, federal or state law may grant liens (e.g. a tax lien) on any specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations securing a Loan that have priority over the Issuer's interest. In addition to the general risks associated with loans described above,



unsecured loans will not be secured by substantial collateral or any collateral and secured loans may be substantially under-secured. Without collateral and with materially inadequate collateral, the ability of the holder of the loan to recover amounts due from the borrower may be substantially limited.

*Subordinated Lien Loans and Second Lien Loans Contain Terms That May Expose Noteholders to Risk of Losses on such Loans.*

Some of the loans will be subject to subordination agreements with senior lenders, pursuant to which the Issuer's right to payment will be subordinated to the senior lender's right to payment, the Issuer's interest in any specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the loan will be subordinated to liens held by the senior lender (certain subordinated loans will be unsecured) and the ability of the Issuer to exercise remedies after a loan becomes a Defaulted Collateral Obligation will be subject to various standstill provisions. In addition, certain of the loans may contain provisions requiring the liens securing the Issuer's interests in the Collateral to be released in certain circumstances. Under such subordination agreements, the Issuer generally may not receive payments of principal on a loan until the applicable senior loan is paid in full and generally may receive payments of interest only if there is no default under the senior loan. Additionally, if a loan becomes a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, the Issuer generally would be prohibited from taking any action to enforce its rights with regard to the loan, including the foreclosure of any specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the loan, for a period of time, typically 180 days. In certain cases, the Issuer would be prohibited from taking any action to foreclose upon such collateral until the senior loan is paid in full. Moreover, any amounts that would be realized upon foreclosure of any of such collateral or other collection efforts or in connection with a bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding involving an obligor generally will be required to be turned over to the senior lender until the senior lender has realized the full value of its claims. Such restrictions may materially and adversely affect the ability of the Issuer to realize value from a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

A portion of the loans will consist of Second Lien Loans. Second Lien Loans contain provisions that subordinate the payment obligations of the obligor and the liens on the specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the loan on the Issuer's portion of such loans to the portion of such loans or the liens, as the case may be, held by the other lenders party to such loans upon the occurrence of a payment default under the related loan documents or in the case of any liquidation or foreclosure on the related underlying collateral. In any of the foregoing circumstances, the Issuer would receive payments on such Second Lien Loan only after the other lenders to the related obligor that are ranked senior to such Second Lien Loan are paid in full. Such subordinated payment provisions may materially and adversely affect the ability of the Issuer to realize value from a Second Lien Loan.

*The Concentration of Loans to a Limited Number of Obligors or to Obligors in Particular Industries or Regions Could Impair Payments on the Notes if Any Such Industry or Region Were to Experience Economic Difficulties*

Payments on the Notes could be impaired by the concentration of the Loans to any one obligor or industry or geographic location. In addition, defaults may be highly correlated with particular obligors, industries or geographic locations. If Loans involving a particular obligor, industry or geographic location represent more than a small proportion of the Issuer's assets, and that obligor, industry or geographic location was to experience difficulties that would affect payments on the Loans, the overall timing and amount of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds held by the Issuer may differ from what investors may have expected, and investors may experience delays or reductions in payments they expected to receive on the Notes.

*Structured Finance Obligations Involve Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of Structured Finance Obligations and Synthetic Securities the Reference Obligations of which are Loans, Structured Finance Obligations or High-Yield Bonds. Structured Finance Obligations may present risks similar to those of the other types of Collateral Obligations which the Issuer may purchase and, in fact, the risks may be of greater significance in the case of Structured Finance Obligations. Moreover, purchasing Structured Finance Obligations may entail a variety of unique risks. Among other risks, Structured Finance Obligations may be subject to prepayment risk, credit risk, liquidity risk, market risk, structural risk, legal risk and interest rate risk (which may be exacerbated if the interest rate payable on a Structured Finance Obligation changes based on multiples of changes in interest rates or inversely to changes in interest rates). In addition, certain Structured Finance Obligations (particularly subordinated collateralized bond obligations) may provide that non-payment of interest is not an event of default in certain circumstances and the holders of the securities will therefore not have available to them any associated default remedies. During the period of non-payment, unpaid interest will generally be capitalized and added to the outstanding principal balance of the related security. Furthermore, the performance of a Structured Finance Obligation will be affected by a variety of factors, including its priority in the capital structure of its issuer the availability of any credit enhancement, the level and timing of payments and recoveries on and the characteristics of the underlying receivables, loans, or other assets that are being securitized, bankruptcy remoteness of those assets from the originator or transferor, the adequacy of and ability to realize on any related collateral, and the skill of the manager or the servicer of the Structured Finance Obligation in managing or servicing securitized assets. The price of a Structured Finance Obligation, if required to be sold, may be subject to certain market and liquidity risks for securities of its type at the time of sale. In addition, Structured Finance Obligations may involve initial and ongoing expenses above the costs associated with the related direct purchases.

*Synthetic Securities Involve Particular Risks*

As described above, a portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of Synthetic Securities the Reference Obligations of which are Loans, Structured Finance Obligations or High-Yield Bonds. Acquiring these types of assets through the purchase of Synthetic Securities presents risks in addition to those inherently associated with direct purchases of such assets. With respect to Synthetic Securities, the Issuer will usually have a contractual relationship only with the counterparty of the Synthetic Security, and not the reference obligor on the Reference Obligation. The Issuer will have no right to enforce compliance by the reference obligor with the Reference Obligation nor any rights of set-off against the reference obligor, nor have any voting or other consensual rights of ownership with respect to the Reference Obligation. The Issuer will not directly benefit from any collateral supporting the Reference Obligation and will not have the benefit of the remedies that would normally be available to a holder of the Reference Obligation.

In addition, in the event of the insolvency of the Synthetic Security Counterparty, the Issuer will be treated as a general creditor of the counterparty and will not have any claim of title with respect to the Reference Obligation. Consequently, the Issuer will be subject to the credit risk of the counterparty as well as that of the reference obligor and concentrations of Synthetic Securities entered into with any one counterparty will subject the Securities to an additional degree of risk with respect to defaults by that counterparty. One or more Affiliates of the Placement Agent may act as counterparty with respect to all or a portion of the Synthetic Securities, which relationship may create certain conflicts of interest. See “—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Placement Agent” below. In addition, Synthetic Securities may involve initial and ongoing expenses above the costs associated with the related direct acquisitions. The Issuer will be subject to restrictions on the amount of Synthetic Securities it may own at any one time.

*Some of the Collateral Obligations Will Be Illiquid*

Some of the Collateral Obligations purchased by the Issuer will have no, or only a limited, trading market. The Issuer's acquisition of illiquid Collateral Obligations may restrict its ability to dispose of Collateral Obligations in a timely fashion and for a fair price, as well as its ability to take advantage of market opportunities, although the Issuer is generally prohibited by the Indenture from selling Collateral Obligations except under certain limited circumstances described under "Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations." Illiquid Collateral Obligations may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid assets. In addition, the Issuer may purchase privately placed Collateral Obligations that may or may not be freely transferable under the laws of the applicable jurisdiction or due to contractual restrictions on resale, and even if those privately placed Collateral Obligations are transferable, the prices realized from their sale could be less than those originally paid by the Issuer or less than what may be considered their fair value.

*Insolvency Considerations With Respect to Issuers of Collateral Obligations May Affect the Issuer's Rights*

Various laws enacted for the protection of creditors may apply to the Collateral Obligations. If, in a lawsuit brought by a creditor or representative of creditors of an obligor under a Collateral Obligation (such as a trustee in bankruptcy), a court were to find that the obligor did not receive fair consideration or reasonably equivalent value for incurring the indebtedness evidenced by the Collateral Obligation and, after giving effect to the indebtedness and the use of the proceeds thereof, the obligor (i) was insolvent, (ii) was engaged in a business for which the remaining assets of the obligor constituted unreasonably small capital or (iii) intended to incur, or believed that it would incur, debts beyond its ability to pay them as they mature, the court could determine to invalidate, in whole or in part, the indebtedness as a fraudulent conveyance, to subordinate the indebtedness to existing or future creditors of the obligor, or to recover amounts previously paid by the obligor in satisfaction of the indebtedness. There can be no assurance as to what standard a court would apply to determine whether the obligor was "insolvent" or that, regardless of the method of valuation, a court would not determine that the obligor was "insolvent," in each case, after giving effect to the incurrence of the Collateral Obligation and the use of its proceeds. In addition, in the event of the insolvency of an obligor under a Collateral Obligation, payments made on the Collateral Obligation may be subject to avoidance as a "preference" if made within a certain period before insolvency (which may be as long as approximately one year).

In general, if payments on a Collateral Obligation are avoidable, whether as fraudulent conveyances or preferences, the payments can be recaptured either from the initial recipient (such as the Issuer) or from subsequent transferees of the payments (such as the Holders of the Securities). To the extent that any payments are recaptured from the Issuer, the resulting reduction in payments on the Securities will be borne by the Holders of the applicable Class of Securities. A court in a bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding would be able to direct the recapture of any payment from a Holder of the Securities to the extent that the court has jurisdiction over the Holder or its assets. Since there is no judicial precedent relating to structured securities such as the Securities, there can be no assurance that a Holder of Securities will be able to avoid recapture on this basis.

The preceding discussion is based on principles of United States federal and state laws. Insofar as Collateral Obligations that are obligations of non-United States obligors are concerned, the laws of certain foreign jurisdictions may provide for avoidance remedies under factual circumstances similar to, or broader or narrower than, those described above, with consequences that may or may not be analogous to those described above under United States federal and state laws.

*Regulatory and Litigation Risks Affecting Obligors Could Have a Material and Adverse Effect on the Collateral Obligations*

Various obligors will be subject to regulatory and litigation risks that could affect their ability to repay amounts under related Collateral Obligations. If litigation or regulatory actions were determined adversely to such obligors, it could materially and adversely affect such obligors' ability to make payments on their related Collateral Obligations and impair payments on the Notes.

*International Collateral Obligations Involve Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of obligations of obligors Domiciled outside the United States. Acquiring assets outside the United States may involve greater risks than acquiring assets in the United States. These risks may include: less publicly available information; varying levels of governmental regulation and supervision; and the difficulty of enforcing legal rights in a foreign jurisdiction and uncertainties as to the status, interpretation and application of laws. Moreover, foreign companies may be subject to accounting, auditing, and financial reporting standards, practices, and requirements different from those applicable to U.S. companies.

There generally is less governmental supervision and regulation of exchanges, brokers and issuers in foreign countries than there is in the United States. For example, there may be no comparable provisions under certain foreign laws with respect to insider trading and similar investor protection securities laws that apply with respect to securities transactions consummated in the United States.

Foreign markets also have different clearance and settlement procedures, and in certain markets there have been times when settlements have failed to keep pace with the volume of securities transactions, making it difficult to conduct transactions. Delays in settlement could result in periods when assets of the Issuer are unapplied and no return is earned on them. The inability of the Issuer to make intended purchases of Collateral Obligations due to settlement problems or the risk of intermediary counterparty failures could cause the Issuer to miss opportunities to acquire Collateral Obligations. The inability to dispose of a Collateral Obligation due to settlement problems could result either in losses to the Issuer due to subsequent declines in the value of the Collateral Obligation or, if the Issuer has entered into a contract to sell the security, could result in possible liability to the purchaser. Transaction costs of buying and selling foreign securities, including brokerage, tax, and custody costs, also are generally higher than those involved in domestic transactions. Furthermore, foreign financial markets, while generally growing in volume, have, for the most part, substantially less volume than U.S. markets, and securities of many foreign companies are less liquid and their prices more volatile than securities of comparable domestic companies.

In certain foreign countries there is the possibility of expropriation, nationalization, or confiscatory taxation; limitations on the convertibility of currency or the removal of securities, property, or other assets of the Issuer; political, economic, or social instability; or adverse diplomatic developments, each of which could have an adverse effect on the Issuer's purchase of Collateral Obligations in the foreign countries (which may make it more difficult to pay Dollar-denominated obligations such as the Collateral Obligations). The economies of individual non-U.S. countries may also differ favorably or unfavorably from the U.S. economy in such respects as growth of gross domestic product, rate of inflation, volatility of currency exchange rates, depreciation, capital reinvestment, resource self-sufficiency and balance of payments position.

*Lender Liability Considerations and Equitable Subordination Can Affect the Issuer's Rights with Respect to Collateral Obligations*

In recent years, a number of judicial decisions in the United States have upheld the right of borrowers to sue lenders and bondholders on the basis of various evolving legal theories (collectively termed “**lender liability**”). Generally, lender liability is founded on the premise that a lender has violated a duty (whether implied or contractual) of good faith and fair dealing owed to the debtor or has assumed a degree of control over the debtor resulting in the creation of a fiduciary duty owed to the debtor or its other creditors or shareholders. Because of the nature of the Collateral Obligations, the Issuer may be subject to allegations of lender liability. In addition, under common law principles that in some cases form the basis for lender liability claims, a court may elect to subordinate the claim of the offending lender to the claims of the disadvantaged creditors, a remedy called “equitable subordination,” if a lender: (i) intentionally takes an action that results in the undercapitalization of a borrower to the detriment of other creditors of the borrower; (ii) engages in other inequitable conduct to the detriment of the other creditors; (iii) engages in fraud with respect to, or makes misrepresentations to, the other creditors; or (iv) uses its influence as a lender to dominate or control a borrower to the detriment of other creditors of the borrower.

Because the Collateral Obligations are primarily Loans, the Issuer may be subject to claims from creditors of an obligor that Collateral Obligations issued by the obligor that are held by the Issuer should be equitably subordinated. However, the Servicer does not intend to engage in conduct that would form the basis for a successful cause of action based on lender liability or the equitable subordination doctrine. Nonetheless, no assurances can be given that actions taken in good faith by the Servicer will not result in losses to issuers of Collateral Obligations, and that the Issuer will not be liable for any such losses. Furthermore, the Issuer and the Servicer may be unable to control the conduct of lenders under a loan syndication agreement requiring less than a unanimous vote, yet the Issuer may be subject to lender liability or equitable subordination for such conduct.

The preceding discussion is based on principles of United States federal and state laws. Insofar as Collateral Obligations that are obligations of non-United States obligors are concerned, the laws of certain foreign jurisdictions may impose liability on lenders or bondholders under factual circumstances similar to, or broader or narrower than, those described above, with consequences that may or may not be analogous to those described above under United States federal and state laws.

*Notes May Be Affected by Interest Rate Risks, Including Mismatches Between the Notes and the Collateral Obligations*

The Notes bear interest at a rate based on LIBOR as determined on the second Business Day prior to the first day of the relevant Interest Period. The Collateral Obligations will consist primarily of obligations that bear interest at floating rates, which floating rates may be different than the floating rates on the Floating Rate Notes. Accordingly, the Notes are subject to interest rate risk to the extent that there is an interest rate mismatch between the rates at which interest accrues on the Notes and the rates at which interest accrues on the Collateral. In addition, there may be a timing mismatch between the Floating Rate Notes and the Floating Rate Obligations as the interest on the Floating Rate Obligations may adjust more or less frequently, on different dates and based on different indices than the interest rates on the Floating Rate Notes. Furthermore, any payments of principal of or interest on Collateral received during a Due Period will (except to a limited extent specified in the Indenture) be held in Eligible Investments maturing not later than the Business Day immediately preceding the next Payment Date. There is no requirement that Eligible Investments bear interest at LIBOR or a similar rate, and the interest rates available for Eligible Investments are inherently uncertain. As a result of these mismatches, an increase or decrease in LIBOR for the relevant maturity could adversely affect the ability of the Issuer to make interest payments

on the Notes (including due to a rise or a decline in the value of previously issued Collateral Obligations or other Collateral that bear interest at a fixed rate as LIBOR decreases or increases, as applicable) and to make distributions or final distributions on the Preference Shares. To mitigate a portion of the interest rate mismatch, the Issuer may enter into Hedge Agreements that are (in the case of Hedge Agreements entered into on or after the Closing Date) subject to a Rating Confirmation. However, there can be no assurance that the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, together with the Hedge Agreements, will in all circumstances generate sufficient Interest Proceeds to make timely payments of interest on the Notes. Moreover, the benefits of any Hedge Agreements may not be achieved in the event of the early termination of the Hedge Agreements, including termination upon the failure of the related Hedge Counterparty to perform its obligations under the Hedge Agreement. See “Security for the Notes—Hedge Agreements.”

The Servicer may direct the Issuer to reduce the notional amount of, or otherwise adjust the terms of, any Hedge Agreement outstanding at any time, subject, in the case of any reduction or adjustment made on or after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, to satisfying the Rating Condition.

*Changes in Tax Law Could Result in the Imposition of Withholding Taxes with Respect to Payments on the Collateral Obligations, and the Obligors on the Collateral Obligations will not Gross-Up Payments to the Issuers*

The Issuer expects that payments received on the Hedge Agreements, and generally on the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, will not be subject to withholding taxes imposed by the United States or reduced by withholding taxes imposed by any other country from which such payments are sourced unless the obligor is required to make “gross-up” payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding taxes. In the case of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments issued by U.S. obligors after July 18, 1984 that are in registered form, payments thereon generally are exempt under current United States tax law from the imposition of United States withholding tax. See “Material Income Tax Considerations—United States Federal Taxation of the Issuer.” However, there can be no assurance that, as a result of any change in any applicable law, treaty, rule or regulation or interpretation thereof, the payments on the Hedge Agreements, Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments would not in the future become subject to withholding taxes imposed by the United States of America or another jurisdiction. In that event, if the obligors of such Hedge Agreements, Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments were not then required to make “gross-up” payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding taxes, the amounts available to make payments on, or distributions to, the holders of the Notes would accordingly be reduced. There can be no assurance that remaining payments on the Collateral would be sufficient to make timely payments of interest on, payment of principal and payment of other distributions at the Stated Maturity of the Securities.

Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, the Notes shall be redeemable at the applicable Redemption Price, in whole, but not in part, by the Issuer at the written direction of the Holders of at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares, as described under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

*The Issuer Has the Right to Engage in Securities Lending, which Involves Counterparty Risks and Other Risks*

The Collateral Obligations may be loaned for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) that have, or are guaranteed by entities that have, long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or a guarantor with those ratings at the time of the loan, of at least “A1” (and not “A1” but on credit watch with negative implications) and “P-1” (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody’s and a long-term senior unsecured debt

rating of at least “A” from S&P. See “Security for the Notes—Securities Lending.” The loans must be secured by cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America, in an amount at least equal to 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value of the loaned Collateral Obligations, determined on a daily basis. However, if the borrower of a loaned Collateral Obligation defaults on its obligation to return the loaned Collateral Obligation because of insolvency or otherwise, the Issuer could experience delays and costs in gaining access to the collateral posted by the borrower (and in extreme circumstances could be restricted from selling the collateral). If the borrower defaults, the Issuer could suffer a loss to the extent that the realized value of the cash or securities securing the obligation of the borrower to return a loaned Collateral Obligation (less expenses) is less than the amount required to purchase the Collateral Obligation in the open market. This shortfall could be due to, among other factors, discrepancies between the mark-to-market and actual transaction prices for the loaned Collateral Obligations arising from limited liquidity or availability of the loaned Collateral Obligations and, in extreme circumstances, the loaned Collateral Obligations being unavailable at any price.

The Rating Agencies may downgrade any of the Notes if a borrower of a Collateral Obligation or, if applicable, the entity guaranteeing the performance of the borrower has been downgraded by one of the Rating Agencies such that the Issuer is not in compliance with the Securities Lending Counterparty rating requirements. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Placement Agent or Affiliates of the Servicer, which may create certain conflicts of interest. See “—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer” and “—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Placement Agent” below.

*Balloon Loans and Bullet Loans Present Refinancing Risk*

Many of the Collateral Obligations will consist of Loans that are either Balloon Loans or Bullet Loans. Balloon Loans and Bullet Loans may involve a greater degree of risk than fully amortizing loans because the ability of an obligor to make the final payment due at maturity typically will depend upon its ability either to timely refinance the Collateral Obligations either with debt or with equity or to timely sell any related underlying collateral. The ability of the obligor to accomplish either of these goals will be affected by many factors including the availability of financing at acceptable rates to the obligor at the time, the financial condition of the obligor, the operating history of the related business, the tax law and the general economic conditions at the time. The above-listed factors may make it more difficult for the obligor to accomplish a refinancing or sale and may result in the inability of the obligor to make the final payment due at maturity, which, in turn, could cause delays in distributions to holders of Notes. Neither the originator or transferor of any Balloon Loan or Bullet Loan will be obligated to provide the funds to refinance such Loan.

*Cross-Collateralization Arrangements May Be Subject to Challenge, which Could Result in the Subordination of the Issuer’s Interest in the Loan Itself*

Certain of the Collateral Obligations will be cross-collateralized. Cross-collateralization arrangements involving more than one obligor could be challenged as fraudulent conveyances by creditors of the related obligor in an action brought outside a bankruptcy case or, if the related obligor were to become a debtor in a bankruptcy case, by such obligor’s representative (or the obligor as debtor-in-possession). A lien, if any, granted by the obligor could be avoided if a court were to determine that the obligor was insolvent when it granted the lien securing the Collateral Obligation, was rendered insolvent by the granting of the lien, was left with inadequate capital when it allowed its properties to be encumbered by a lien securing the Collateral Obligation, or was not able to pay its debts as they matured; and the obligor did not receive fair consideration or reasonably equivalent value when it allowed its properties to be encumbered by a lien securing the Collateral Obligation.

Among other things, a legal challenge to the granting of a lien may focus on the benefits realized by that obligor from the respective Collateral Obligation proceeds, as well as the overall cross-collateralization. If a court were to conclude that the granting of a lien was an avoidable fraudulent conveyance, that court could:

- (i) subordinate all or part of the pertinent Collateral Obligation to existing or future indebtedness of that obligor;
- (ii) recover payments made under that Collateral Obligation; or
- (iii) take other actions detrimental to the Securityholders, including, under certain circumstances, invalidating the Collateral Obligation or the underlying collateral securing the cross-collateralization.

Any of these actions could impair, delay or eliminate payments by the obligor of a Collateral Obligation that is cross-collateralized, which could adversely affect the Issuer's ability to make payments on the Securities.

*Lack of Seasoning of Loans Make Delinquency and Default Rates Difficult to Predict*

Certain of the Loans included in the anticipated portfolio as of the Closing Date (i) were closed within the 12-month period preceding the Closing Date and/or (ii) have not yet received any payments of principal from the related obligors in accordance with the terms of such Loans. Therefore, it is difficult to predict what level of delinquencies and defaults the Issuer may experience once the obligors are required to begin making such principal payments. Such delinquencies and defaults may reduce or delay payments on the Notes.

*A Substantial Amount of Collateral Obligations Was Acquired Before the Closing Date, and the Terms of the Acquisition May Adversely Affect the Issuer*

Prior to the Closing Date, the Issuer, the Servicer, HFP, Highland CDO Opportunities Master Fund, L.P., Highland Special Opportunities Holding Company and Bank of America, N.A. (in that capacity, the "**Warehouse Provider**") entered into a Master Warehousing and Participation Agreement (the "**Warehouse Agreement**") dated as of June 21, 2006 which allowed the purchase of Collateral Obligations at the direction of the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer prior to the Closing Date. On the Closing Date, the Issuer will use the proceeds of the Securities to satisfy obligations incurred by the Issuer under the Warehouse Agreement. Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer on the Closing Date were purchased in the open market, including from sellers that include affiliates of the Placement Agent, and the purchase price paid by the Issuer for such Collateral Obligations was the prevailing price at the time such Collateral Obligations were purchased. Because the purchase price of Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer on the Closing Date is determined prior to such date, the prevailing market price of such Collateral Obligations on the Closing Date may be higher or lower than such purchase price.

The initial Holders of the Securities, by acquisition of their Securities, will be deemed to have consented to the acquisition of such Collateral Obligations by the Issuer and to the procedures described above for determining the purchase price to be paid by the Issuer with respect thereto. Upon written request of any initial Holder (or prospective initial Holder) of Securities, the Servicer will supply a list of Collateral Obligations transferred (or expected to be transferred) to the Issuer under the arrangements set forth above and the prices paid therefor by the Issuer.



## Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest

### *In General, the Transaction Will Involve Various Potential and Actual Conflicts of Interest*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise from the overall servicing, advisory and other activities of the Servicer and its Affiliates and from the conduct by the Placement Agent and its Affiliates of other transactions with the Issuer, including acting as counterparty with respect to Hedge Agreements, Securities Lending Agreements, and Synthetic Securities. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

### *The Holders of the Class II Preference Shares Control Appointment and Removal of Directors of the Issuer*

HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares on the Closing Date. The Class II Preference Shares will have total control with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer as long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is higher than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date. The Class I Preference Shares will have no voting rights with respect to the appointment or removal of directors. As of the Closing Date, the Class II Preference Shares Outstanding will constitute a Majority of the Preference Shares Outstanding. HFP and/or its subsidiaries that purchase Class II Preference Shares will agree not to transfer any of the Class II Preference Shares to any Person other than Investors Corp. Any transfer of Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to Investors Corp. will require such Class II Preference Shares to be cancelled and redeemed and the issuance by the Issuer of a corresponding number of new Class I Preference Shares in accordance with the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and Investors Corp. issuing new Holding Preference Shares in accordance with the applicable provisions of its Articles of Association. If at any time, due to such redemption, the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding is reduced so that it is equal to or lower than the number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding, Class II Preference Shares will automatically become non-voting shares and will no longer be entitled to vote with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer.

As long as Class II Preference Shares retain the voting rights with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer, HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries that have purchased such Class II Preference Shares will be able to appoint and remove any of the directors. The directors appointed by HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries may be Affiliates of HFP or the Servicer. No other Holders of the Securities will have any right to vote with respect to such appointments and removals of directors of the Issuer.

### *The Holders of the Class II Preference Shares May Control or Prevent Removal of the Servicer, Appointment of a Replacement Servicer and Optional Redemption of the Notes*

The Class II Preference Shares to be purchased by HFP or any of its subsidiaries at closing are expected to constitute a Majority of the Preference Shares. As such, and absent any express exclusion, so long as HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries maintain their position in such Preference Shares, HFP and such subsidiaries, as applicable, will hold the controlling vote on any decision that requires a Majority of the Preference Shares and will hold a blocking position with respect to any decision that requires a higher percentage of Preference Shares.

Pursuant to the Servicing Agreement, such agreement may be terminated and the Servicer may be removed by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee (acting at the direction of a Super Majority of the

Controlling Class of Notes) or by a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding Preference Shares held by the Servicer, any of its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (or, with respect to Class I Preference Shares held by Investors Corp. at such time, Holding Preference Shares held by the Servicer, any of its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority) other than, with respect to the Class II Preference Shares, HFP or any of its subsidiaries; *provided* that, with respect to the voting authority of the Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the “independent directors” (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by any of the “independent directors” of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) (each such non-excluded Preference Share, a “**Voting Preference Share**”), in each case for “cause” upon 10 days’ prior written notice. Further, the Issuer’s ability to appoint a successor servicer is subject to, among other things, the written direction of a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares. As such, if the Class II Preference Shares continue to constitute a Majority of Preference Shares, HFP and any of its subsidiaries that hold Class II Preference Shares will collectively control the ability of the Holders of the Preference Shares to both remove the Servicer for “cause” and appoint the Servicer’s replacement. Since HFP is managed by the Servicer, HFP may have a conflict of interest and may be less likely to exercise these rights than the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares. In such case, should the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares believe that “cause” exists to remove the Servicer, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may prevent their ability to do so.

The Holders of at least 66 $\frac{2}{3}$ % of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares may give written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Servicer directing an optional redemption of the Notes at any time after the Non-Call Period. After such Notes are retired, the Holders of a Majority or of all of the Preference Shares (depending on the form of redemption) may effect an optional redemption of the Preference Shares. As a result of the foregoing, and so long as they hold a controlling block of Preference Shares, the vote of HFP and/or its applicable subsidiaries will be required to redeem the Securities. As an entity managed by the Servicer, HFP may once again have interests that differ from those of the Class I Preference Shares. Should the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares seek to redeem the Securities, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may prevent their ability to do so.

*The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise from the overall activities of the Servicer, its Affiliates and the subsidiaries of HFP. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

Conflicts of interest may arise for the Servicer with respect to its obligations to the Issuer from the overall activities of the Servicer, its Affiliates and the subsidiaries of HFP, for the accounts of its other clients. For example, the Servicer, its Affiliates and their respective clients and the subsidiaries of HFP may acquire loans, securities, and other obligations that would be appropriate for inclusion in the Issuer’s portfolio of Collateral Obligations, as well as in loans, securities, and other obligations that are senior to, or have interests different from or adverse to, assets that are pledged to secure the Notes. Furthermore, Affiliates of the Servicer may serve as general partners or managers of special-purpose entities organized to issue other collateralized loan obligations (“**CLOs**”) secured primarily by corporate loans and collateralized debt obligations (“**CDOs**”) secured by corporate debt obligations or asset-backed securities. The Servicer and its Affiliates may also have ongoing relationships with, render services to, or engage in transactions with, companies whose loan obligations or securities are pledged to secure the Notes and may now or in the future own (as portfolio assets or otherwise) loan obligations or equity or debt securities issued by issuers of or obligors on, Collateral Obligations or other Collateral. An Affiliate of

the Servicer may earn fees with respect to financial advisory services rendered to companies in connection with workouts or the subsequent restructuring of such companies. Such fees and advice may continue for a period of time after any such workout or restructure. The Issuer may own an interest in the securities of such companies. The Servicer will endeavor to resolve conflicts with respect to opportunities in a manner that it deems equitable to the extent possible under the prevailing facts and circumstances.

The Servicer and its Affiliates may possess information relating to issuers of Collateral Obligations or other Collateral that (i) may constrain the Issuer's asset acquisition as a consequence of the Servicer's inability to use such information for asset acquisition purposes or otherwise to take actions that would be in the best of interests of the Issuer or (ii) is not known to the employees of the Servicer responsible for monitoring the Collateral and performing the other obligations of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement. The Servicer, its Affiliates and their respective clients and the subsidiaries of HFP may at certain times be simultaneously seeking to purchase or dispose of assets for the respective accounts of the Issuer, any similar entity for which it serves as manager or advisor, and for its clients or Affiliates.

Neither the Servicer nor any of its Affiliates has any affirmative obligation to offer any assets to the Issuer or to inform the Issuer of any assets before offering any assets to other funds or accounts that the Servicer or any of its Affiliates manage or service. Furthermore, the Servicer may be bound by affirmative obligations in the future, whereby the Servicer is obligated to offer certain assets to funds or accounts that it manages or services before or without the Servicer offering those assets to the Issuer.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Servicer such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Servicer, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's-length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the United States Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (the "**Advisers Act**"). The Servicing Agreement also provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Servicer, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's-length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Advisers Act.

The Servicer currently serves as the servicer or portfolio manager for a number of special purpose vehicles that have issued securities secured by or referencing collateral consisting of assets similar to the Collateral Obligations, which may create conflicts in allocating its time and services among the Issuer and the Servicer's other accounts. The Servicer and its Affiliates and the subsidiaries of HFP may own equity or other securities of issuers of or obligors on Collateral Obligations or other Collateral and may have provided and may provide in the future, advisory and other services to issuers of Collateral. In addition, the Servicer and its Affiliates may act as the Securities Lending Counterparty under any Securities Lending Agreement entered into by the Issuer.

The Servicer may resign at any time and may be removed for cause by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee (acting at the direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes) or by a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares. Upon the resignation or removal of the Servicer, the Issuer, at the

written direction of a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares, may appoint a replacement servicer if (x) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes held by the Servicer, its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries; *provided* that, with respect to the voting authority of Notes owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the “independent directors” (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by any of the “independent directors” of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) (each such non-excluded Note, a “**Voting Note**”) or (y) a Majority of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single Class) do not object to the replacement servicer. See “The Servicing Agreement.” Securities (or, with respect to Preference Shares held by Investors Corp. at such time, Holding Preference Shares) held by the Servicer, its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries) will have no voting rights with respect to any vote in connection with removal of the Servicer for “cause” and will be deemed not to be outstanding in connection with any vote to remove the Servicer for “cause” and to appoint a replacement servicer; *provided* that, with respect to the voting authority of Class II Preference Shares or Notes owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall be determined by a vote of the majority of the “independent directors” (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiary) of HFP or such subsidiary. Except to the extent specified otherwise, Securities (or, with respect to Preference Shares held by Investors Corp. at such time, Holding Preference Shares) held by the Servicer, its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority at the time of such vote will have voting rights with respect to all other matters as to which the Holders of the Securities are entitled to vote, including any vote to direct an Optional Redemption. See “The Servicing Agreement” and “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

The Issuer expects to acquire substantially all of the Collateral Obligations to be acquired by the Closing Date during an accumulation period before the Closing Date (the “**Accumulation Period**”) and will finance those purchases with financing provided by the Warehouse Provider. The Issuer will be required to repurchase the participations providing that financing by the Closing Date with the proceeds of the issuance of the Securities. The Collateral Obligations purchased before the Closing Date will be chosen by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, subject to certain rights of the Warehouse Providers. Any interest accrued on Collateral Obligations purchased by the Issuer before the Closing Date will be paid to the Servicer. As a result, investors in the Securities will be assuming the risk of market value and credit quality changes in the Collateral Obligations from the date the Collateral Obligations are acquired during the Accumulation Period but will not receive the benefit of interest earned on the Collateral Obligations during that period.

On the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase 37,000 shares of Class II Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$37,000,000 and (ii) the Servicer or its Affiliates are expected to purchase 10,000 shares of Holding Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$10,000,000. In addition, the Servicer or its Affiliates may also acquire Preference Shares upon the occurrence of an Amendment Buy-Out or a Maturity Extension as described herein. To the extent that the interests of the Holders of the Notes differ from the interests of the Holders of the Preference Shares, the holding of Preference Shares by the Servicer or its Affiliates may create additional conflicts of interest.

The Servicer will be entitled to receive the Senior Servicing Fee, the Subordinate Servicing Fee and the Supplemental Servicing Fee, as further described herein. The structure of such fees may cause the Servicer to direct the Issuer to purchase more speculative Collateral Obligations than it would otherwise acquire in the absence of such performance based compensation. See “The Servicing Agreement.”

In addition to acting as Servicer to the Issuer, Highland Capital will act as manager for HFP, which will, on the Closing Date, purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares. Because Highland Capital will receive both a Servicing Fee from the Issuer for servicing the Collateral and a management fee from HFP for managing HFP's assets, which will include the Class II Preference Shares (and therefore a residual interest in the Collateral), Highland Capital has agreed, in connection with the capital raising of Highland Financial Trust, to waive a portion of its Servicing Fees from the Issuer on every Payment Date occurring on or before February 3, 2008 so as not to reduce the income realized by HFP or any of its subsidiaries that hold Class II Preference Shares, as the case may be, in respect of such Class II Preference Shares. Thereafter Highland Capital may at its discretion continue to waive such portion of its Servicing Fees or may elect to receive such Servicing Fees in their entirety. Accordingly, on each Payment Date occurring on or before February 3, 2008, an amount equal to a portion (representing the percentage ownership of the Preference Shares represented by the Class II Preference Shares) of the amounts that would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as a Servicing Fee will instead be payable as a special payment to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Cayman Islands law. Thereafter, the Servicer may elect to continue to waive such same portion of the amounts that would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as a Servicing Fee, or any lesser portion of such amounts, and an amount equal to such waived amounts will be paid as a special payment to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares. The Class II Preference Shares and the Class I Preference Shares will vote together as a single class. Receipt of Servicing Fees in the form of dividends on Class II Preference Shares may cause HFP to have different incentives from the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares.

*The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Placement Agent*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise as a result of the investment banking, asset management, financing and financial advisory services and products provided by Banc of America Securities LLC ("**Banc of America Securities**") and its Affiliates (together, the "**Placement Agent Related Entities**"), to the Issuer, the Servicer, the issuers of the Collateral Obligations and others, as well as in connection with the investment, trading and brokerage activities of the Placement Agent Related Entities. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

The Placement Agent will serve as placement agent for the Notes and will be paid fees and commissions for such service by the Issuer from the proceeds of the issuance of the Securities. One or more of Banc of America Securities or any of its Affiliates may from time to time hold Securities for investment, trading or other purposes. The Issuer's purchase of Collateral Obligations that are loans prior to the Closing Date was financed in part through the sale of participation interests therein to the Warehouse Provider pursuant to the Warehouse Agreement. A portion of the proceeds from the offering of the Securities will be paid to the Warehouse Provider to repurchase such participation interests.

The Issuer may have purchased and sold prior to the Closing Date, and may purchase or sell on or after the Closing Date, Collateral Obligations from, to or through, and purchase Synthetic Securities and enter into Hedge Agreements with, one or more of the Placement Agent Related Entities. Certain Eligible Investments may be issued, managed or underwritten by one or more of the Placement Agent Related Entities. One or more of the Placement Agent Related Entities may provide investment banking, commercial banking, asset management, financing and financial advisory services and products to the Servicer, its Affiliates, and funds serviced by the Servicer and its Affiliates, and purchase, hold and sell, both for their respective accounts or for the account of their respective clients, on a principal or agency basis, loans, securities, and other obligations and financial instruments of the Servicer, its Affiliates, and funds serviced by the Servicer and its Affiliates. As a result of such transactions or arrangements, one or

more of the Placement Agent Related Entities may have interests adverse to those of the Issuer and Holders of the Notes and Preference Shares.

One or more of the Placement Agent Related Entities may:

- have placed or underwritten, or acted as a financial arranger, structuring agent or advisor in connection with the original issuance of, or may act as a broker or dealer with respect to, certain of the Collateral Obligations;
- be a counterparty to issuers of certain of the Collateral Obligations under swap or other derivative agreements;
- lend to certain of the issuers of or obligors under Collateral Obligations or their respective Affiliates or receive guarantees from the issuers of those Collateral Obligations or their respective Affiliates;
- provide other investment banking, asset management, commercial banking, financing or financial advisory services to the issuers of Collateral Obligations or their respective Affiliates; or
- have an equity interest, which may be a substantial equity interest, in certain issuers of or obligors under the Collateral Obligations or their respective Affiliates.

As a counterparty under swaps and other derivative agreements, the Placement Agent Related Entities might take actions adverse to the interests of the Issuer, including, but not limited to, demanding collateralization of its exposure under such agreements (if provided for thereunder) or terminating such swaps or agreements in accordance with the terms thereof. In making and administering loans and other obligations, the Placement Agent Related Entities might take actions including, but not limited to, restructuring a loan, foreclosing on or exercising other remedies with respect to a loan, requiring additional collateral or other credit enhancement, charging significant fees and interest, placing the obligor in bankruptcy or demanding payment on a loan guarantee or under other credit enhancement. The Issuer's purchase, holding and sale of Collateral Obligations may enhance the profitability or value of investments made by the Placement Agent Related Entities in the issuers thereof. As a result of all such transactions or arrangements between the Placement Agent Related Entities and issuers of Collateral Obligations or their respective Affiliates, the Placement Agent Related Entities may have interests that are contrary to the interests of the Issuer and the Holders of the Notes and Preference Shares.

As part of their regular business, the Placement Agent Related Entities may also provide investment banking, commercial banking, asset management, financing and financial advisory services and products to, and purchase, hold and sell, both for their respective accounts or for the account of their respective clients, on a principal or agency basis, loans, securities, and other obligations and financial instruments and engage in private equity investment activities. The Placement Agent Related Entities will not be restricted in their performance of any such services or in the types of debt or equity investments, which they may make. In conducting the foregoing activities, the Placement Agent Related Entities will be acting for their own account or the account of their customers and will have no obligation to act in the interest of the Issuer.

The Placement Agent Related Entities may, by virtue of the relationships described above or otherwise, at the date hereof or at any time hereafter, be in possession of information regarding certain of the issuers of Collateral Obligations and their respective Affiliates, that is or may be material in the context of the Securities and that is or may not be known to the general public. None of the Placement Agent Related Entities has any obligation, and the offering of the Securities will not create any obligation

on their part, to disclose to any purchaser of the Securities any such relationship or information, whether or not confidential.

#### *Prevention of Money Laundering*

The Uniting and Strengthening America By Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the “**USA PATRIOT Act**”), signed into law on and effective as of October 26, 2001, requires that financial institutions, a term that includes banks, broker-dealers and investment companies, establish and maintain compliance programs to guard against money-laundering activities. The USA PATRIOT Act requires the Secretary of the United States Department of the Treasury (the “**Treasury**”) to prescribe regulations in connection with anti-money laundering policies of financial institutions. The Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (“**FinCEN**”), an agency of the Treasury, has announced that it is likely that such regulations would subject pooled investment vehicles such as the Issuer to enact anti-money laundering policies. It is possible that there could be promulgated legislation or regulations that would require the Co-Issuers, Banc of America Securities, or other service providers to the Co-Issuers, in connection with the establishment of anti-money laundering procedures, to share information with governmental authorities with respect to investors in the Securities. Such legislation and/or regulations could require the Co-Issuers to implement additional restrictions on the transfer of the Securities. The Co-Issuers reserve the right to request such information as is necessary to verify the identity of a Holder of a Security and the source of the payment of subscription monies, or as is necessary to comply with any customer identification programs required by FinCEN and/or the SEC. In the event of a delay or failure by the applicant to produce any information required for verification purposes, an application for or transfer of Securities and the subscription monies relating thereto may be refused. See “The Loan Market — Prevention of Money Laundering.”

### **DESCRIPTION OF THE SECURITIES**

The Notes will be issued pursuant to the Indenture. The terms of the Preference Shares are contained in the Issuer Charter and in certain resolutions adopted by the Issuer’s Board of Directors on or before the Closing Date authorizing and approving the issuance of the Securities, as reflected in the minutes thereof (the “**Resolutions**” and, together with the Issuer Charter and the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the “**Preference Share Documents**”). The following summary describes certain provisions of the Notes, the Preference Shares, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. Copies of the Indenture may be obtained by prospective purchasers upon request in writing to the Trustee at Investors Bank & Trust Company, 200 Clarendon Street, Boston, MA 02116, Attention: CDO Services (Brentwood CLO, Ltd), and will be available at the office of Custom House Administration and Listing Services Limited (in such capacity, the “**Irish Paying Agent**”) in the City of Dublin. Copies of the Preference Share Documents may be obtained upon request in writing to the Administrator at PO Box 1093GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, Attention: the Directors—Brentwood CLO, Ltd.

#### **Status and Security**

The Senior Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuers. The Class D Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer. Each Note within a Class will rank *pari passu* with all other Notes of that Class. Under the Indenture, the Issuer will grant to the Trustee a first-priority perfected security interest in the Collateral to secure the Issuer’s obligations under the Indenture, the Notes, Hedge Agreements and the Servicing Agreement (collectively, the “**Secured Obligations**”). The

Notes are payable solely from amounts received in respect of the Collateral pledged by the Issuer to secure the Notes. If the amounts received in respect of the Collateral (net of certain expenses) are insufficient to make payments on the Secured Obligations, in accordance with the Priority of Payments, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and, following liquidation of all the Collateral, the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, to pay the deficiency will be extinguished.

The Preference Shares are entitled to proceeds of the Collateral only to the extent that any such proceeds are remaining on any Payment Date after payment of all interest and principal payable on each Class of Notes on that Payment Date and the satisfaction of certain other amounts payable in accordance with the Priority of Payments. In addition, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares will be entitled, as and to the extent set forth herein, to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments pursuant to the priority provided in the Priority of Payments.

In furtherance of the priorities of payments among the Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares, the Indenture contains express subordination provisions pursuant to which the Holders of each Class of Notes that is a Junior Class as described below agree for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class that the Junior Class shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes of each Priority Class to the extent and in the manner provided in the Indenture.

If any Event of Default has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs under and in accordance with the Indenture, each Priority Class of Notes shall be paid in full in cash or, to the extent a Majority of each Class consents, other than in cash, before any further payment or distribution is made on account of any Junior Class of Notes with respect to the Priority Class. The Holders of each Junior Class of Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for failure to pay to them amounts due to the Junior Class, of the Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or under the Indenture until the payment in full of the Priority Classes or all the Classes, as the case may be and not before one year and a day, or if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, has elapsed since the payment.

For purposes of this provision, with respect to each Class of Notes, the Classes of Notes that are Priority Classes and Junior Classes are as follows:

<b>Class</b>	<b>Junior Classes</b>	<b>Priority Classes</b>
A-1A	A-2 <sup>1</sup> , B, C, D, Preference Shares <sup>2</sup>	None
A-1B	A-2 <sup>1</sup> , B, C, D, Preference Shares <sup>2</sup>	None
A-2	B, C, D, Preference Shares <sup>2</sup>	A-1 <sup>1</sup>
B	C, D, Preference Shares <sup>2</sup>	A
C	D, Preference Shares <sup>2</sup>	A, B
D	Preference Shares <sup>2</sup>	A, B, C
Preference Shares	None <sup>3</sup>	A, B, C, D



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1 The Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-2 Notes will be entitled to receive interest payments (and, in the case of the Class A-1B Notes, Delayed Drawdown Fee) on a *pari passu* basis. The Class A-1A Notes and the Class A-1B Notes will be entitled to receive principal payments on a *pari passu* basis and will be senior to the Class A-2 Notes in right of repayment of principal.

2 Other than with respect to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, which may be payable to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as set forth herein and will have priority to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

3 The Preference Shares will be entitled to certain residual cash flow after payment of senior obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

If, notwithstanding the provisions of the Indenture, any Holder of Notes of any Junior Class has received any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes contrary to the provisions of the Indenture, then, until each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class of Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or, to the extent a Majority of the Priority Class or the Class, as the case may be, consents, other than in cash in accordance with the Indenture, the payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, which shall pay and deliver the same to the Holders of the applicable Priority Classes of Notes or the Holders of all Classes of Notes, as the case may be. If any such payment or distribution is made other than in cash, it shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and subject in all respects to the Indenture.

Each Holder of Notes of any Junior Class agrees with all Holders of the applicable Priority Classes that the Holder of Junior Class Notes shall not demand, accept, or receive any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes in violation of the Indenture. After a Priority Class has been paid in full, the Holders of Notes of the related Junior Class or Classes shall be fully subrogated to the rights of the Holders of the Priority Class. Nothing in these provisions shall affect the obligation of the Issuer to pay Holders of any Junior Class of Notes.

Distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares are subordinate to distributions on the Notes as described in the Priority of Payments (other than, as and to the extent set forth herein, with respect to distribution of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments).

The Servicing Fees shall have priority only to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

### **Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Preference Shares from Interest Proceeds**

The Notes of each Class (other than the Class A-1B Notes) will accrue interest during each Interest Period on their Aggregate Outstanding Amount (determined as of the first day of the Interest Period and after giving effect to any redemption or other payment of principal occurring on that day) at the applicable per annum interest rates for each such Class (the “**Note Interest Rate**”) equal to LIBOR for Eurodollar deposits for the applicable Interest Period *plus* the spread, as specified above under “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.” The Class A-1B Notes will accrue interest only on the Drawn Amount of the Class A-1B Notes at the applicable Note Interest Rate. A Delayed Drawdown Fee of 0.17% per annum is payable on the Aggregate Undrawn Amount of the Class A-1B Notes during the Delayed Drawdown Period. Interest accrued on the Notes and the Delayed Drawdown Fee shall be calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in the applicable period *divided by 360*. Payment of interest on each Class of Notes shall be subordinated to the payments of interest on the related Priority Classes and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of Deferred Interest in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered “payable” for the purposes of the Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for the Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest), until paid.

Interest shall cease to accrue on each Note, or in the case of a partial repayment, on the part repaid, from the date of repayment or its Stated Maturity unless payment of principal is improperly withheld or unless there is some other default with respect to the payments of principal.

On each Payment Date, the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Share Distribution Account and the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account, as applicable, for distribution by the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shareholders, as applicable, as dividends on the Preference Shares, pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Interest Proceeds as described under clauses (21) and (23) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

In addition, on each Payment Date occurring on or before February 3, 2008, Holders of the Class II Preference Shares will be entitled to distributions, on a *pro rata* basis, from the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account, equal to the Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment, the Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment and the Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment (if any)(collectively, the “**Class II Preference Share Special Payments**”). After such Payment Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for distribution by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as a Class II Preference Share Special Payment. Any payments to the Holders of Class II Preference Shares of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments will have priority to the extent provided under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

For purposes of calculating the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, the following definitions shall apply:

“**Class II Preference Share Percentage**” means, for any Payment Date, a fraction, expressed as a percentage, the numerator of which is the number of Outstanding Class II Preference Shares on such Payment Date and the denominator of which is the total number of Outstanding Preference Shares on such Payment Date.

“**Class II Preference Share Portion**” means, for any Payment Date, 100% minus the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date.

“**Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment**” means, for any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Senior Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**“Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment”** means, for any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Subordinated Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**“Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment”** means, for any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**“Servicing Fee Portion”** means 100% minus (a) for any Payment Date from the Closing Date until (and including) the Payment Date occurring in February 2008, the Class II Preference Share Percentage for such Payment Date and (b) for any other Payment Date, a percentage (between 0% and 100%) selected by the Servicer in its sole discretion and reported to the Trustee in writing on or before the related Determination Date.

For purposes of calculating interest on each Class of Notes, the Issuer will initially appoint the Trustee as calculation agent (the Trustee in that capacity, and each successor calculation agent, the **“Calculation Agent”**).

As soon as possible after 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period, but in no event later than 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the next Business Day, the Calculation Agent will calculate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes for the related Interest Period and the amount of interest for the Interest Period payable in respect of each U.S.\$100,000 in principal amount of each Class of Floating Rate Notes (in each case rounded to the nearest cent, with half a cent being rounded upward) on the related Payment Date and will communicate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes and the date of the next Payment Date to the Trustee, the Placement Agent, each paying agent, Euroclear, Clearstream, the Depository, and (as long as the Senior Notes are listed on the ISE) the ISE.

The Calculation Agent may be removed by the Co-Issuers at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Co-Issuers or if the Calculation Agent fails to determine the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes or the amount of interest payable in respect of each Class of Floating Rate Notes for any Interest Period, the Issuer will promptly appoint as a replacement Calculation Agent a leading bank which is engaged in transactions in U.S. Dollar deposits in the international U.S. Dollar market and which does not control and is not controlled by or under common control with the Co-Issuers or any of their respective affiliates. The Calculation Agent may not resign its duties without a successor having been duly appointed. The determination of the Note Interest Rate with respect to each Class of Floating Rate Notes and the Delayed Drawdown Fee in respect of the Class A-1B Notes (as applicable) for each Interest Period by the Calculation Agent shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding upon all parties.

**“LIBOR”** means the offered rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent for any Interest Period, for three-month Dollar deposits that appears on Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News (or a page that replaces Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), as of 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period.

If, on the second Business Day before the first day of any relevant Interest Period, that rate does not appear on Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Market Commodities News (or a page that replaces Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), the Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks to prime banks in the London interbank market for three-month Dollar deposits in

Europe, by reference to requests by the Calculation Agent to four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) (the “**Reference Banks**”) for quotations as of approximately 11:00 A.M. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the Interest Period. If at least two of the Reference Banks provide quotations as requested, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean. If fewer than two Reference Banks provide quotations, LIBOR shall be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that one or more leading banks in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) are quoting to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period for three-month Dollar deposits.

If the Calculation Agent is unable to determine a rate in accordance with any of the above procedures, LIBOR for the Interest Period shall be calculated on the last day of the Interest Period and shall be the arithmetic mean of the rate of interest for each day during the Interest Period determined by the Calculation Agent as being the rate of interest most recently announced by the Bank as its base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans (or if the Bank ceases to exist or is not quoting a base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans, another major money center commercial bank in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer)).

For the first Interest Period and, unless the Maturity Extension occurs, the last Interest Period, LIBOR shall be determined based on the actual number of days in the Interest Period using straight-line interpolation of two rates calculated in accordance with the above procedure, except that instead of using three-month deposits, one rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next shorter than the Interest Period and the other rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next longer than the Interest Period. All calculations shall be calculated to at least four decimal places and rounded to four decimal places.

### **Principal Payments on the Notes and Distributions on the Preference Shares from Principal Proceeds**

The principal of each Note of each Class matures at par and is payable on the Payment Date that is the Stated Maturity for the Class of Notes, unless the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable at an earlier date by declaration of acceleration, refinancing, call for redemption, or otherwise. The Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, unless redeemed prior thereto. The average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years from issuance until Stated Maturity for such Notes. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes Interests May Vary” and “Maturity and Prepayment Considerations.” Notwithstanding the foregoing, and except as set forth below, the payment of principal of each Class of Notes: (i) may only occur after principal on each Class of Notes that is a Priority Class with respect to the Class has been paid in full and (ii) is subordinated to the payment on each Payment Date of the principal and interest payable on the Priority Classes, and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments. However, (i) Interest Proceeds may be used to pay principal of the Class D Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class D Coverage Tests and (ii) Principal Proceeds may be used to pay Deferred Interest and other amounts before the payment of principal of the Notes. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

In general, principal payments will not be made on the Notes before the end of the Replacement Period, except in the following circumstances: (i) in connection with an Optional Redemption, (ii) at the option of the Servicer, to effect a Special Redemption of the Notes, (iii) in connection with a Refinancing of Non-Consenting Holder’s Notes, (iv) in connection with a Redemption by Refinancing, (v) pursuant to a redemption made in connection with a Tax Event or (vi) following a mandatory redemption of the Notes

caused by a failure to meet any of the Coverage Tests or a Rating Confirmation Failure. After the Replacement Period, Principal Proceeds will be applied on each Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments to pay principal of each Class of Notes (except for Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations which may be applied to purchase Collateral Obligations to the extent described herein). No principal of any Class of Notes will be payable on any Payment Date other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and to the extent funds are available therefor on that Payment Date for that purpose, except that the principal of each Class of Notes will be payable in full at the Stated Maturity, unless repaid before that.

On each Payment Date, the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Share Distribution Account and the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account, as applicable, for payment by the Preference Shares Paying Agent *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares or the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares, as applicable, as dividends on the Preference Shares, pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Principal Proceeds as described under clauses (14)(A), (15) and (16) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

#### **Legal Provisions Applicable to the Payments of Dividends from Interest Proceeds and Dividends or Other Distributions from Principal Proceeds**

Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment of dividends on, or the payment of the Redemption Price in respect of, the Preference Shares, will be distributable to the Holders of the Preference Shares only if the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distribution and Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment of dividends in respect of the Preference Shares will be distributable to the Holders of the Preference Shares only if the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium and if the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distribution. Payments will be paid by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for payment of dividends and other distributions to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, on a *pro rata* basis according to the number of Preference Shares held by each Holder on the Record Date for such Payment Date.

#### **Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**

##### *General*

The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Replacement Period to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date up to four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given the Trustee written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Securities or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents.

In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes or Preference Shares wishing to sell all or a portion of its Securities (or, with respect to any Preference Shares held by Investors Corp. at such time, any Holder of Holding Preference Shares wishing to sell all or a portion of the Holding Preference Shares held by such Holder) to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to “—Extension Procedure” below (such Securities (or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable) as to which a related Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, “**Extension Sale Securities**”). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, each Holder providing an Extension Sale Notice shall be deemed to agree that no Extension Sale Securities of any Holder shall be purchased unless all Extension Sale Securities of all Holders are purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date and the other Extension Conditions are satisfied as of such date. In addition, one or more Holders may enter into an agreement with the Issuer and/or the Servicer that such Holder will have the right to receive a greater purchase price than the Extension Purchase Price set forth in the Indenture. See “Risk Factors — A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected.”

The Maturity Extension shall be effective only if the following conditions (the “**Extension Conditions**”) are satisfied:

- (i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the applicable Extension Effective Date;
- (ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions, in the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents and the Holding Preference Share Documents and described herein immediately after such purchase and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency);
- (iii) (a) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to S&P (so long as any Notes are then rated by S&P) and (b) Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to Moody’s (so long as any Notes are then rated by Moody’s);
- (iv) the Issuer has not effected more than three prior Extensions; and
- (v) such Maturity Extension is not effected for the primary purpose of decreasing losses or recognizing gains resulting from market value changes.

In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Noteholder, other than Holders of Extension Sale Securities, shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment. Holders of Preference Shares shall not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

The Extension Bonus Payment shall be payable to any applicable qualifying beneficial owners who have provided the Trustee with an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification on the first Payment Date from and including the Extension Effective Date on which funds are available for such purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments, but in any event, no later than the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption of the Notes. Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments shall not be considered “due and payable” hereunder. The failure to pay any such Extension Bonus Payment on such date shall not be an Event of

Default, unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Securities. Unpaid Extension Bonus Payments shall not accrue interest.

*Extension Procedure*

Not later than three Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Issuer of its election to extend the Replacement Period (the “**Extension Notice**”), the Trustee shall mail the Extension Notice to all Holders of Notes, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding), in the form set out in the Indenture, and shall request the Rating Confirmation for the Maturity Extension from each Rating Agency, if applicable.

Any Holder of Securities may deliver an irrevocable notice (an “**Extension Sale Notice**”) to the Issuer and the Trustee within 30 days after the Trustee has mailed the Extension Notice (the “**Extension Sale Notice Period**”) of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Securities or, with respect to Investors Corp., in its capacity as a Holder of the Class I Preference Shares, all or a portion of Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be, to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of Securities that has not delivered such an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be entitled to sell its Securities or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension.

If any Holder of Class II Preference Shares delivers an Extension Sale Notice notifying the Issuer and the Trustee of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Class II Preference Shares, (i) such Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to Investors Corp. and such Preference Shares will be cancelled and redeemed, and corresponding Class I Preference Shares shall be issued in accordance with the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, (ii) Investors Corp. will issue additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such newly issued Class I Preference Shares purchased by it and (iii) the Extension Qualifying Purchaser will purchase such additional Holding Preference Shares in lieu of such newly issued Class I Preference Shares. The issuance of the new Class I Preference Shares and the Holding Preference Shares shall each be in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Articles of Association of each of the Issuer and Investors Corp.

On the applicable Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or its agent) shall confirm (i) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Extension Sale Securities in compliance with all transfer restrictions in the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents and the Holding Preference Share Documents and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (ii) whether the requirements of clause (iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date and (iii) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

On each Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension shall automatically become effective under the terms of the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents; *provided* that all Extension Conditions set forth above are satisfied (as certified to the Trustee by a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer). No later than two Business Days after each Extension Effective Date, the Trustee based on

a determination made by the Issuer, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail a notice to all Holders of Notes, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer, the Placement Agent, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) and the ISE (if and for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed thereon) confirming whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension became effective, the Issuer shall make any required notifications thereof to the Depositary for any Securities subject to the Maturity Extension.

None of the Placement Agent, the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

### **Optional Redemption**

*Notes.* The applicable Required Redemption Percentage may give written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Servicer directing an optional redemption of the Notes (such a redemption, with respect to the Notes, an “**Optional Redemption**”) upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period. Such notice must be given not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made. Upon receipt of the written notice directing an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Co-Issuers with respect to the Senior Notes and the Issuer with respect to the Class D Notes are required by the Indenture to redeem the Notes (in whole but not in part) from amounts available therefor in accordance with “—Redemption Procedures” described below. Any Optional Redemption of the Notes shall be made at the applicable Redemption Price. Upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Replacement Period will terminate in accordance with the definition of that term. The Issuer shall, at least 30 days before the Redemption Date (unless the Trustee shall agree to a shorter notice period), notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency of the Redemption Date, the applicable Record Date, the principal amount of Notes to be redeemed on the Redemption Date and the applicable Redemption Prices.

*Preference Shares.* On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, all administrative and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), and all amounts owing under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged:

- (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings; or
- (ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such direction,

(such a redemption with respect to the Preference Shares as set forth in clauses (i) and (ii) above, an “**Optional Redemption**”).



Upon a distribution pursuant to clause (i) above, the Servicer will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Servicing Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer (and subject to clause (ii) above), direct the sale of all remaining Collateral Obligations. Upon a distribution pursuant to clause (ii) above, the Servicer will effect the sale of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares.

Upon receipt of the written notice directing an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares, the Issuer is required by the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement to redeem the Preference Shares in the applicable manner described above. Any Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares shall be made at the applicable Redemption Price.

*Redemption Procedures.* The Trustee will give notice of a redemption by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days and not earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date, to (i) each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as applicable, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and (ii) in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, to each Rating Agency. In addition, for so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the ISE and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of an Optional Redemption of Senior Notes shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

Notice of redemption having been given as provided above, the Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at the Redemption Price therein specified and from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Redemption Price and accrued interest) the Notes shall cease to bear interest on the Redemption Date.

Upon final payment on a Note to be so redeemed, the Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the place specified in the notice of redemption to receive the applicable Redemption Price unless the Holder provides an undertaking to surrender the Note thereafter.

The Notes may not be optionally redeemed unless either of the following conditions is satisfied:

(i) at least 10 Business Days before the Redemption Date, the Servicer shall have furnished to the Trustee evidence (in form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee) that the Issuer has entered into a binding agreements (with a financial or other institution or entity whose short-term unsecured debt obligations (other than obligations whose rating is based on the credit of a person other than the institution) have a credit rating of at least "A-1" from S&P and of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's (or to any other institution or entity if the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's is satisfied with respect to the other entity) to sell to the financial or other institutions, not later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date in immediately available funds, all or part of the Collateral (directly or by participation or other arrangement) at a Purchase Price at least equal to an amount sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices; or

(ii) before entering into any binding agreement to sell all or a portion of the Collateral and selling or terminating any Hedge Agreement, the Servicer shall have certified that, in its commercially reasonable judgment, the settlement dates of the sales will be scheduled to occur on or before the Business Day before the Redemption Date and that the expected proceeds from the sales are to be delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date, in immediately available funds, in an amount (calculated as applicable in the manner provided below) sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices. For purposes of this paragraph, the amount shall be calculated with respect to the classes of Collateral listed in the table below by multiplying the expected proceeds of sale of the Collateral by the indicated percentage in the table below.

		Number of Business Days Between Certification to the Trustee and Sale			
		<u>Same Day</u>	<u>1 to 2</u>	<u>3 to 5</u>	<u>6 to 15</u>
1.	Cash or other Eligible Investments	100%	100%	100%	100%
2.	Loans (other than 5 below)	100%	93%	92%	88%
3.	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations (in each case, other than 4 below)	100%	89%	85%	75%
4.	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations, in each case with a Moody's Rating of "B3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "B3"	100%	75%	65%	55%
5.	Synthetic Securities	100%	65%	55%	35%

Any certification delivered by the Servicer shall include (A) the prices of, and expected proceeds from, the sale of any Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments or Hedge Agreements and (B) all calculations required by the Indenture.

Any notice of redemption may be withdrawn by the Issuer up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares), the Trustee and the Servicer only if:

(i) in the case of an Optional Redemption of Notes, the Servicer does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications required under the Indenture, as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee;

(ii) in the case of an Optional Redemption in whole of either the Notes or the Preference Shares as described above in "—Optional Redemption—Notes" and clause (i) of the first paragraph under "—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares," the Issuer receives the written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares (or, in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Affected Class) to withdraw the notice of redemption delivered by

the percentage of the Holders of the Preference Shares (or, in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Affected Class) requesting redemption under “—Optional Redemption—Notes” or clause (i) of the first paragraph under “—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares,” as applicable; or

(iii) in the case of an Optional Redemption of Preference Shares as described in clause (ii) of the first paragraph under “Optional Redemption—Preference Shares,” the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer hereby agrees for the benefit of the directing Holders to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (ii) or this clause (iii)).

Notice of any withdrawal shall be sent, not later than the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date (assuming that the Trustee has received timely written notice from the Issuer as provided above), by the Trustee, to each Holder of Notes scheduled to be redeemed at the Holder’s address in the Indenture Register by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery (or, to the extent the address contained in the Indenture Register is not sufficient for that purpose, by first-class mail), the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares). If the Issuer so withdraws any notice of redemption or is otherwise unable to complete any redemption of the Notes, the Sale Proceeds received from the sale of any Collateral Obligations sold in accordance with the Indenture may, during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period) at the Servicer’s discretion, be used to purchase replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria.

Notice of redemption shall be given by the Co-Issuers or, upon an Issuer Order, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Co-Issuers. Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Note selected for redemption, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Securities.

### **Special Redemption of Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture**

Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in whole or in part, at par, in accordance with the Priority of Payments if, at any time during the Replacement Period, the Servicer elects (subject to the Servicing Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional or replacement Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the application of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations.

On the Special Redemption Date, the Special Redemption Amount will be available to be applied in accordance with “—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds” to the extent of available Principal Proceeds. Notice of payment of the Special Redemption Amount shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than three Business Days before the applicable Special Redemption Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder’s address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository. In addition, for so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the ISE and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of a Special Redemption of the Senior Notes shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

In connection with a Special Redemption, the principal of the Notes will be paid from Principal Proceeds in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount (first to any Class A-1 Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class A-2 Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class B Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class C Notes to be redeemed and then to any Class D Notes to be redeemed, in each case until paid in full) in accordance with the Priority of Payments. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

## **Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

### *General*

In the event of a Rating Confirmation Failure or a failure to meet any Coverage Test on any Determination Date, a mandatory redemption of one or more Classes of Notes in whole or in part will be required. Any mandatory redemption could result in an elimination, deferral or reduction in interest or principal payments to one or more Classes of Securities, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of the Class or Classes of Securities. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Interests for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests” and “—The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure.”

### *Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests*

Except with respect to payments made pursuant to an Optional Redemption or a redemption made in connection with a Tax Event as described under “—Optional Redemption,” on any Payment Date with respect to which any Coverage Test (as described under “Security for the Notes—The Coverage Tests”) is not met on any Determination Date, principal payments on the Notes will be made as described under “—Priority of Payments.”

### *Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure*

Upon the event of a Rating Confirmation Failure, all Interest Proceeds remaining after payment of amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (14) of “—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” will be used to pay principal of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes sequentially in order of their priority on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date thereafter until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. If necessary, after the foregoing payments are made out of Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds in accordance with clause (7) “—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds” will be used to pay principal of each Class of the Notes sequentially in order of their priority on each Payment Date until the Initial Ratings are confirmed.

Upon receipt of notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes, at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody’s and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes, then at the direction and in accordance with the instructions of the Servicer the Trustee shall sell Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for the purpose in the Collection Account will be used to redeem the Notes (but only to the extent necessary for each of Moody’s and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes) and to pay all administrative and other fees, expenses and obligations payable under the Priority of Payments. Any sale under these provisions shall be conducted in such a manner that:

- (i) after giving effect to the sale each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied or, if any Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Overcollateralization Test is not reduced;
- (ii) if the sale occurs on or after the second Payment Date, after giving effect to the sale each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied or, if any Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Interest Coverage Test is not reduced; and
- (iii) after giving effect to the sale each Collateral Quality Test is satisfied or, if any Collateral Quality Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Collateral Quality Test is not reduced.

In the event that the Issuer or the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) has failed to obtain confirmation in writing from S&P that it has not (i) reduced, suspended, or withdrawn its Initial Rating of each Class of Notes and (ii) placed any Class of Notes on credit watch with negative implications by the Business Day after the 29th day after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to make payments on the first Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments; *provided* that all amounts (other than Class II Preference Share Special Payments) otherwise payable to the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares shall be retained by the Trustee in the Payment Account pending receipt of such written confirmation from S&P.

### **Redemption of the Preference Shares in Connection with Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

The Preference Shares will be redeemed in whole in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents on any Payment Date on which a mandatory redemption of the Notes described under “—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes” results in the payment in full of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes.

### **Class A-1B Notes Drawdowns**

On any Business Day during the Delayed Drawdown Period, the Co-Issuers may draw down amounts under the Class A-1B Notes (each, together with any amounts paid by holders of Class A-1B Notes on the Closing Date, a “**Drawdown**”) to acquire additional Collateral Obligations during the Delayed Drawdown Period. The Drawn Amount of the Class A-1B Notes as of the Closing Date plus the Drawdowns under the Class A-1B Notes may not exceed the Fully Drawn Amount. Each Drawdown will be made *pro rata* to the portion of the Fully Drawn Amount of the Holders of the Class A-1B Notes.

To request a Drawdown, the Issuer (or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer) will notify the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent (with a copy to the Trustee) of such request no later than 1:00 p.m. (New York City time) on the second Business Day prior to the date of the proposed Drawdown, specifying the aggregate amount of the requested Drawdown and the date of such Drawdown, which shall be a Business Day and the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent shall promptly, and no later than 3:00 p.m. on such day on which it receives such notice, provide to the Class A-1B Note Holder a copy of such notice and a statement regarding the remaining Undrawn Amount applicable to such Holder after giving effect to such Drawdown. If notice of the Drawdown request is not transmitted to the Class A-1B Note Holder until after 3:00 p.m., New York time, it will be treated as having been transmitted on the following Business Day.

Each purchaser of Class A-1B Notes during the Delayed Drawdown Period is required to satisfy the Rating Criteria upon the purchase of such Notes and at all times during the Delayed Drawdown Period while it holds the Class A-1B Notes. If any Holder of Class A-1B Notes at any time during the Delayed Drawdown Period fails to satisfy the Rating Criteria, such Holder will be obligated under the Class A-1B

Note Purchase Agreement (i) to give immediate notice thereof to the Issuer, the Trustee, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Servicer and each Rating Agency and (ii) no later than the Business Day following such notice fund the full Undrawn Amount of its Class A-1B Notes into a reserve account; *provided* that if such Holder transfers its interest in the Class A-1B Notes (including its commitment to fund Drawdowns) to an eligible purchaser that satisfies the Ratings Criteria and satisfies the other transfer restrictions set forth in the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement and in the Indenture within 30 days following such notice, the Issuer shall return to such Holder no later than the Business Day following any such transfer the amount funded by such Holder pursuant to this clause (ii) *minus* the amount of such Holder's portion of any Drawdown made after such Holder funded the Undrawn Amount of its Class A-1B Notes and before such transfer.

Any Aggregate Undrawn Amount of Class A-1B Notes as of the second Business Day prior to the first Payment Date will be drawn and required to be funded on the Business Day prior to March 21, 2007.

### **Priority of Payments**

Collections received on the Collateral during the related Due Period will be segregated into Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds and applied on each Payment Date in the priority below under “—Interest Proceeds” and “—Principal Proceeds,” respectively (collectively, the “**Priority of Payments**”).

#### *Interest Proceeds*

On each Payment Date, Interest Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period (other than Interest Proceeds previously used during such Due Period to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations or otherwise used as permitted under the Indenture) will be distributed in the following order of priority:

- (1) to the payment of any taxes and registration and filing fees owed by the Co-Issuers (without limit) and then to the payment of Administrative Expenses up to the Administrative Expense Cap as follows:

FIRST, in the following order of priority:

- (i) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Trustee; and then
- (ii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Collateral Administrator; and then
- (iii) fee, expenses and indemnities of the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent; and then
- (iv) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Preference Shares Paying Agent; and

SECOND, in the following order of priority;

- (x) fees and expenses of the Administrator; and then;
- (y) fees and expenses of the Co-Issuers (including fees and expenses of counsel and surveillance, credit estimate, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies) and any other Person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for

in the Indenture, and to the expenses (but not fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;

- (2) the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts paid pursuant to clause (1) above to deposit into the Expense Reimbursement Account; *provided* that on the final Payment Date, no Interest Proceeds shall be distributed pursuant to this clause (2);
- (3) FIRST, payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for distribution by way of dividend by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Class II Preference Shareholders in accordance with “Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account” an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee then due and payable and SECOND, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause;
- (4) to the payment of all amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements (if any) other than any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;
- (5) to the payment of (i) (A) accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-1A Notes, (B) accrued and unpaid interest and Delayed Drawdown Fee on the Class A-1B Notes and (C) accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-2 Notes, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, (A) the Class A-1A Notes, (B) the Class A-1B Notes and (C) the Class A-2 Notes, in each case on a *pro rata* basis;
- (6) if either of the Class A Coverage Tests is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class A Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (6) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);
- (7) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B Notes (excluding Class B Deferred Interest, but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class B Deferred Interest);
- (8) to the payment of Class B Deferred Interest;
- (9) if either of the Class B Coverage Tests is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class B Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (9) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);

- (10) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class C Notes (excluding Class C Deferred Interest, but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class C Deferred Interest);
- (11) to the payment of Class C Deferred Interest;
- (12) if either of the Class C Coverage Tests is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class C Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (12) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);
- (13) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class D Notes (excluding Class D Deferred Interest, but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class D Deferred Interest);
- (14) to the payment of Class D Deferred Interest;
- (15) if either of the Class D Coverage Tests is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class D Notes in the amount necessary so that all of the Class D Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full, or if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that a Rating Confirmation is obtained, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (15) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);
- (16) to deposit in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds amounts representing Principal Proceeds previously used to pay amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (5), (7), (8), (10), (11), (13) and (14) above and not previously restored to the Collection Account or, if not restored to the Collection Account, used to purchase Collateral Obligations;
- (17) if the Retention Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, for deposit to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds the lesser of (i) 50.0% of the remaining Interest Proceeds available after the payments pursuant to clause (16) above and (ii) the amount necessary to cause the Retention Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as of such Determination Date, after application of funds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date;
- (18) to the payment of any remaining Administrative Expenses not paid under clause (1) above in the respective priorities specified in clause (1);
- (19) FIRST, payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for distribution by way of dividend by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Class II Preference Shareholders in accordance with “Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment



Account” an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee then due and payable and SECOND, to the payment (*pro rata* according to the amounts payable under clauses (x) and (y) below) to: (x) the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and (y) *pro rata* to each Noteholder entitled thereto, the applicable Extension Bonus Payment as described under “—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date;”

- (20) to the payment of any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;
- (21) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0%;
- (22) FIRST, payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for distribution by way of dividend by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Class II Preference Shareholders in accordance with “Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account” of an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) the Supplemental Servicing Fee, if applicable and SECOND, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Supplemental Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and
- (23) any remaining Interest Proceeds, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares;

*provided* that, in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds referred to under clauses (21) and (23) above, in whole or in part on any Payment Date, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, will have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute any Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be due and payable on such Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to any such Payment Date will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be increased accordingly.

*Principal Proceeds*

On each Payment Date, Principal Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period other than:

- (A) Principal Proceeds previously used to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or otherwise used as permitted under the Indenture;
- (B) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account or the Securities Lending Account; and
- (C) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed Purchase Prices for Collateral Obligations with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment before the end of the Due Period for their purchase, but has not settled the purchase by the end of the Due Period;

shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

- (1) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (5) under “—Interest Proceeds” above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (2) to the payment of amounts referred to in clause (6) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class A Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (2), or until such amounts are paid in full;
- (3) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (9) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class B Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (3), or until such amounts are paid in full;
- (4) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (12) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class C Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (4), or until such amounts are paid in full;
- (5) to the payment of principal of the Notes in the Note Payment Sequence in an amount necessary to (A) cause the Class D Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (5), or until paid in full or (B) if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, obtain a Rating Confirmation, or until paid in full;
- (6) (x) during the Replacement Period, all remaining Principal Proceeds to the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture (and, until so applied (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed

Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), to be deposited in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds) and (y) after the Replacement Period, at the discretion of the Servicer (with respect to Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations) to the purchase or funding of additional or replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the applicable provisions of the Indenture when appropriate Collateral Obligations are available, and until such time, to the Collection Account for the purchase of Eligible Investments;

- (7) (x) FIRST, to pay the principal of the Class A-1 Notes, pro rata, until the Class A-1 Notes have been fully redeemed and (y) SECOND, to pay the principal of the Class A-2 Notes, pro rata, until the Class A-2 Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (8) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (7) and (8) under “—Interest Proceeds” above, in the order set forth therein, to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (9) to pay the principal of the Class B Notes, *pro rata*, until the Class B Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (10) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (10) and (11) under “—Interest Proceeds” above, in the order set forth therein, to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (11) to pay the principal of the Class C Notes, *pro rata*, until the Class C Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (12) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (13) and (14) under “—Interest Proceeds” above, in the order set forth therein, to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (13) to pay the principal of the Class D Notes, *pro rata*, until the Class D Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (14) (x) if the Payment Date is a Redemption Date in the following order of priority: (i) to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of the Redemption Prices of all of the Notes to be redeemed, (ii) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (18) through (22) under “—Interest Proceeds” above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (iii) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares of the Redemption Price of any Preference Shares to be redeemed; and  
 (y) if the Payment Date is a Special Redemption Date, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of the Notes in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount, in each case until paid in full;
- (15) to the extent not previously paid in full under clause (14) above, after the Replacement Period, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (18) through (22) under “—Interest Proceeds” above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; and

- (16) after the Replacement Period to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

The calculation on any Coverage Test on any Determination Date shall be made by giving effect to all payments to be made pursuant to all subclauses of the Priority of Payments as applicable, payable on the Payment Date following such Determination Date. In addition, no Principal Proceeds will be used to pay a subordinated Class on a Payment Date if, after giving effect to such payment, any Coverage Test of a more senior Class of Notes is failing on such Payment Date or would fail as a result of such application of the Principal Proceeds on such Payment Date.

If on any Payment Date the amount available in the Payment Account is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by the Valuation Report, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for in the order and according to the priority under “—Interest Proceeds” and “—Principal Proceeds,” to the extent funds are available therefor.

The Trustee shall remit funds to pay Administrative Expenses of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in accordance with the Priority of Payments under “—Interest Proceeds” and “—Principal Proceeds” above, to the extent available, to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer as directed and designated in an Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions) delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before each Payment Date.

### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Senior Notes**

The Senior Notes sold in Offshore Transactions may only be sold to non-U.S. Persons in reliance on Regulation S. Except as provided below, the Senior Notes (other than the Class A-1B Notes during the Delayed Drawdown Period only) sold in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Notes. The Regulation S Global Notes will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository. Prior to and including the 40<sup>th</sup> day after the later of the commencement of the offering and the date of original issuance of the Notes (the “**Distribution Compliance Period**”), beneficial interests in the Regulation S Global Notes may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream. The Regulation S Global Notes and any Notes issued in exchange therefor after the Distribution Compliance Period will be subject to certain restrictions on transfer set forth herein and in the Indenture. No Person other than a Regulation S Purchaser may own a beneficial interest in the Regulation S Notes. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may not be held by a U.S. Person at any time.

Investors may hold their interests in a Regulation S Global Note directly through Euroclear or Clearstream, if they are participants in such systems, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in such systems. By acquisition of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note, the purchaser thereof will be deemed to represent that it is not a U.S. Person and that, if in the future it determines to transfer such beneficial interest, it will transfer such interest only to a person whom the seller reasonably believes to be a non-U.S. Person or to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note.

The Senior Notes (other than the Class A-1B Notes during the Delayed Drawdown Period only) initially sold in non-Offshore Transactions or to U.S. Persons in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Rule 144A may only be sold to Qualified Institutional Buyers who are Qualified Purchasers, except as provided below, will be represented by one or more permanent Rule 144A Global Notes. Investors may hold their interests in the Rule 144A Global Notes directly through the Depository if they are the Depository participants, or indirectly through organizations that are the Depository

participants. The Rule 144A Global Notes will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for the Depository, and registered in the name of a nominee of the Depository.

Beneficial interests in Senior Notes represented by Global Notes will be subject to certain restrictions on transfer set forth therein and in the Indenture and such Global Notes will bear the applicable legends regarding the restrictions set forth under “Transfer Restrictions.” A beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from (A) the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that the transfer is being made to a person whom the transferor reasonably believes is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser, and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction and (B) the transferee (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser. Beneficial interests in the Rule 144A Global Notes may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from (A) the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that the transfer is being made to a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction in accordance with Regulation S (including, without limitation, compliance with all restrictions imposed during the Distribution Compliance Period) and (B) the transferee (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is a non-U.S. Person.

Any beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note that is transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will, upon transfer, cease to be an interest in such Regulation S Global Note and become an interest in the Rule 144A Global Note and, accordingly, will thereafter be subject to all transfer restrictions and other procedures applicable to beneficial interests in a Rule 144A Global Note for as long as it remains such an interest. Any beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note that is transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note will, upon transfer, cease to be an interest in the Rule 144A Global Note and become an interest in the Regulation S Global Note and, accordingly, will thereafter be subject to all transfer restrictions and other procedures applicable to beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note for as long as it remains such an interest. No service charge will be made for any registration of transfer or exchange of Senior Notes, but the Issuer or Co-Issuers, as the case may be, or the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

During the Distribution Compliance Period, a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note may be transferred to a Person who takes delivery in the form of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certificate in the form required under the Indenture from the transferor to the effect that such transfer is being made to a Person who the transferor reasonably believes is purchasing for its own account or accounts as to which it exercises sole investment discretion and that such Person and each such account is a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is a Qualified Purchaser, in each case in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction. After the Distribution Compliance Period, such transfer shall only be made upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification by the proposed transferee to the effect that such transferee is a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is a Qualified Purchaser.

During the Distribution Compliance Period a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note may be transferred to a Person who takes delivery in the form of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from the transferor in the form required under the Indenture to the effect that such transfer is being made in accordance with Rule 903 or Rule 904

of Regulation S and that the interest transferred will be held immediately thereafter through Euroclear or Clearstream. After the Distribution Compliance Period, such transfer shall only be made upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from the transferor in the form required under the Indenture to the effect that such transfer is being made in accordance with Rule 903 or Rule 904 of Regulation S or Rule 144 under the Securities Act.

Except in the limited circumstances described in this paragraph, owners of beneficial interests in Senior Notes held in the form of Global Notes will not be entitled to receive delivery of certificated Senior Notes. The Senior Notes are not issuable in bearer form. A Global Note deposited with the Depository pursuant to the Indenture shall be transferred to the beneficial owners thereof only if such transfer complies with the Indenture and either (i) the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for a Global Note or ceases to be a “Clearing Agency” registered under the Exchange Act and a successor depository is not appointed by the Issuer within 90 days of such notice or (ii) as a result of any amendment to or change in, the laws or regulations of the Cayman Islands or of any authority therein or thereof having power to tax or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations which become effective on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer or the Paying Agent becomes aware that it is or will be required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Senior Notes which would not be required if the Senior Notes were in definitive form. In addition, the owner of a beneficial interest in a Global Note will be entitled to receive a certificated Note in exchange for such interest if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing. In the event that certificated Senior Notes are not so issued by the Issuer to such beneficial owners of interests in Global Notes, the Issuer expressly acknowledges that such beneficial owners shall be entitled to pursue any remedy that the Holders of a Global Note would be entitled to pursue in accordance with the Indenture (but only to the extent of such beneficial owner’s interest in the Global Note) as if certificated Senior Notes had been issued. No owner of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note will be entitled to receive an interest in a certificated Senior Note until after expiration of the Distribution Compliance Period and, for a person other than a distributor (as defined in Regulation S), until certification of beneficial ownership by a person that is not a U.S. Person or is a U.S. Person that purchased such interest in a Regulation S Global Note in a transaction that did not require registration under the Securities Act. Payments on such certificated Senior Notes will be made by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a Dollar-denominated account maintained by the owner or, if a wire transfer cannot be effected, by a Dollar check delivered to the owner. See “Settlement and Clearing.”

The Rule 144A Global Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof for each Class of Senior Notes. The Regulation S Global Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$100,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof for each Class of Senior Notes.

### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Certificated Notes**

#### *Certificated Class A-1B Notes*

All Class A-1B Notes will initially be issued in the form of one or more certificated Class A-1B Notes in definitive, fully registered form, without interest coupons, registered in the name of the owner thereof. During the Delayed Drawdown Period, Class A-1B Notes may be transferred only in the form of Certificated Class A-1B Notes (i) to Persons that are both (A) Qualified Institutional Buyers and (B) Qualified Purchasers or (ii) to non-U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S) in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S, which in each case also meet the Rating Criteria.

Certificated Class A-1B Notes will be subject to certain additional restrictions on transfer set forth therein and in the Indenture and the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement and will bear the

applicable legends regarding the restrictions set forth under "Transfer Restrictions." Certificated Class A-1B Notes may be transferred during the Delayed Drawdown Period only in accordance with the Indenture and the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement and upon (*inter alia*) receipt by the Trustee and the Issuer of a written certification (in the form provided in the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement) from the transferee regarding compliance with the applicable transfer restrictions. See "Transfer Restrictions."

Following the first Payment Date, any of the Certificated Class A-1B Notes may be exchanged by a purchaser who is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser for a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note pursuant to the terms of the Indenture and such Rule 144A Global Note may be transferred thereafter in the form of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note to a subsequent transferee who is also a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser; *provided* that any remaining principal amount of the transferor's interest in the Rule 144A Global Note shall either equal zero or meet the required minimum denominations. Following the first Payment Date, any of the Certificated Class A-1B Notes may be exchanged by a purchaser who is not a U.S. Person for a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note pursuant to the terms of the Indenture and such Regulation S Global Note may be transferred thereafter in the form of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note to a subsequent transferee who is a non-U.S. Person in an offshore transaction in reliance on Regulation S; *provided* that any remaining principal amount of the transferor's interest in the Regulation S Global Note shall either equal zero or meet the required minimum denominations. After the end of the Delayed Drawdown Period, Holders of Class A-1B Notes will not be required to satisfy the Rating Criteria.

The Certificated Class A-1B Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof.

#### Certificated Class D Notes

The Class D Notes will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Class D Notes in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof. The Class D Notes may only be sold to persons who are (A) Qualified Institutional Buyers or (B) Institutional Accredited Investors who are also Qualified Purchasers.

The Class D Notes may be transferred only upon (*inter alia*) receipt by the trustee of a written certification (in the form provided in the Indenture) from the transferee to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is (A) a Qualified Institutional Buyer or (B) an Institutional Accredited Investor who is also a Qualified Purchaser, and such transfer is being made in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction. Each initial Holder as well as each transferee of the Class D Notes is also required to provide certain tax forms and other tax related certifications. See "Transfer Restrictions."

The Class D Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$100,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof.

#### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Preference Shares**

The Preference Shares will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Preference Shares in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof.

Preference Shares may only be sold to persons who are Qualified Institutional Buyers and Qualified Purchasers.

Preference Shares may be transferred only upon (*inter alia*) receipt by the Preference Shares Paying Agent of a written certification (in the form provided in the Preference Share Documents) from the transferee to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is also a Qualified Purchaser, and such transfer is being made in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction. Each initial Holder as well as each transferee of the Preference Shares is also required to provide certain tax forms and other tax-related certifications. See “Transfer Restrictions.”

Maples Finance Limited has been appointed and will serve as the registrar with respect to the Preference Shares (the “**Share Registrar**”) and will provide for (*inter alia*) the registration of the Preference Shares and the registration of transfers of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Preference Share Documents and the Administration Agreement in the register maintained by it. The Preference Shares will be issued in minimum numbers of 100 Preference Shares per investor and integral multiples of one Preference Share in excess thereof.

## **The Indenture**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Indenture. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Indenture.

### *Events of Default*

“**Event of Default**” is defined in the Indenture as:

- (a) a default for four Business Days in the payment of any interest (or, in the case of the Class A-1B Notes, Delayed Drawdown Fee) on any Class of Notes that is currently part of the Controlling Class when it becomes payable (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, the Irish Listing and Paying Agent or the Indenture Registrar, after seven Business Days);
- (b) a default in the payment of principal (including Deferred Interest) of any Note when the same becomes payable, at its Stated Maturity, Refinancing Date or on the Redemption Date;
- (c) the failure on any Payment Date to disburse amounts available in the Payment Account in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the failure continues for three Business Days;
- (d) on any Measurement Date for so long as any Class A Notes are Outstanding, the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio is less than 100.0%;
- (e) either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral becomes an investment company under the Investment Company Act;
- (f) breach of any other covenant or other agreement of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Indenture (other than any failure to satisfy any of the Collateral Quality Tests, any of the Concentration Limitations, any of the Coverage Tests, the Retention Overcollateralization Test, or other covenants or agreements for which a specific remedy has been provided under the Indenture) in any material respect, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer made in the Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant



thereto, or in connection therewith, to be correct in any material respect when made, and the breach or failure continues for 30 days after either of the Co-Issuers has actual knowledge of it or after notice to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Servicer by the Trustee or to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class by registered or certified mail or overnight courier specifying the breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that the notice is a “Notice of Default” under the Indenture;

(g) the entry of a decree or order by a court having competent jurisdiction adjudging the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, or composition of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, and if the decree or order remains unstayed and in effect for 45 consecutive days;

(h) the institution by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of Proceedings to have the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as the case may be, adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings against the Issuer or Co-Issuer, or the filing by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Bankruptcy Law or any other similar applicable law, or the consent by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or the taking of any action by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in furtherance of any such action; or

(i) one or more final judgments is rendered against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer that exceed in the aggregate U.S.\$2,000,000 and that remain unstayed, undischarged, and unsatisfied for 30 days after the judgments become nonappealable, unless adequate funds have been reserved or set aside for their payment, and unless (except as otherwise specified in writing by Moody’s) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereon.

Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Trustee must give prompt (and in no event later than five Business Days after becoming aware of such event) notice thereof to the Noteholders.

If an Event of Default is continuing (other than an Event of Default described in clauses (e), (g) or (h) under “—Events of Default” above), the Trustee may, with consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class, and must, upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, declare the principal of all the Notes to be immediately payable by notice to the Co-Issuers and the Noteholders, and upon that declaration the unpaid principal of all the Notes, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), and other amounts payable under the Indenture, shall become immediately payable. The Replacement Period shall terminate upon a declaration of acceleration (subject to re-commencement as described below). If an Event of Default described in clauses (e), (g) or (h) above under “—Events of Default” occurs, all unpaid principal, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), of all the Notes, and other amounts payable under the Indenture, shall automatically become payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any Noteholder and the Replacement Period shall terminate automatically (subject to re-commencement as described below).

At any time after the declaration of acceleration of maturity has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, may rescind the declaration and its consequences if:

(i) the Issuer or the Co-Issuer has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:

(A) all unpaid installments of interest and principal on the Notes then due (other than as a result of the acceleration);

(B) to the extent that payment of the interest is lawful, interest on any Deferred Interest and Defaulted Interest at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable;

(C) all Administrative Expenses of the Co-Issuers and other sums paid or advanced by the Trustee under the Indenture;

(D) all unpaid Senior Servicing Fees; and

(E) all amounts then payable to any Hedge Counterparty; and

(ii) the Trustee has determined that all Events of Default, other than the nonpayment of the interest on or principal of the Notes, that have become due solely by the acceleration, have been (A) cured, and a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Trustee has agreed with that determination, or (B) waived as provided in the Indenture.

No rescission shall affect any subsequent Event of Default or impair any right resulting from such Event of Default. The Issuer shall not terminate any Hedge Agreement at any time after a declaration of acceleration of Maturity of the Notes has been made, unless such declaration and its consequences may no longer be rescinded and annulled in accordance with the Indenture and liquidation of the Collateral has begun.

If an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee will retain the Collateral, collect, and cause the collection of the proceeds of the Collateral and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Collateral and the Notes and any Hedge Agreements (other than amounts received under a Hedge Agreement that are used in putting a replacement hedge in place) in the manner described under “—Priority of Payments” and the Indenture unless either:

(i) the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, determines (bid prices having been obtained with respect to each security contained in the Collateral from two nationally recognized dealers (or if there is only one dealer, that dealer and if there is no dealer, from a pricing service), selected and specified by the Servicer to the Trustee in writing, at the time making a market in those securities, and having computed the anticipated proceeds of sale or liquidation on the basis of the lower of the bid prices for each security) that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would (after deduction of the reasonable expenses of the sale or liquidation) be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and the Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other

amounts then payable under clause (3) under “—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds,” and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination; or

(ii) the Holders of a Super Majority of the Class A Notes (voting as a single Class), the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral.

During the continuance of an Event of Default, a Majority of the Controlling Class may institute and direct the Trustee in the conduct of any proceedings for any remedy available to the Trustee or for the exercise of any right of the Trustee under the Indenture if the direction does not conflict with any rule of law or with any express provision of the Indenture and the Trustee has been indemnified to its reasonable satisfaction. Any direction to the Trustee to undertake a sale of the Collateral shall be by the Holders of Notes representing the requisite percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes specified in the Indenture. The Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability unless it has received an indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it against the liability.

A Majority of the Controlling Class may on behalf of the Holders of all the Notes, before the time a judgment or decree for the payment of money due has been obtained by the Trustee, waive any past Event of Default or event that, with notice or the lapse of time or both, would become an Event of Default and its consequences, except such a default:

- (i) in the payment of principal or Redemption Price of any Note or in the payment of interest (including Defaulted Interest, Deferred Interest, and any interest on Defaulted Interest or Deferred Interest) on the Notes;
- (ii) with respect to a provision of the Indenture that cannot be modified or amended without the waiver or consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected by the modification or amendment;
- (iii) in the payment of amounts due to the Servicer, the Trustee, or the Hedge Counterparty, which may only be waived with the consent of the affected party; or
- (iv) arising as a result of an Event of Default described in clause (e), (g) or (h) under “—Events of Default.”

No Holder of any Note may institute any proceeding with respect to the Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy under the Indenture, unless:

- (i) the Holder has previously given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default;
- (ii) the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute Proceedings with respect to the Event of Default in its own name as Trustee under the Indenture and the Holders have offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with the request;
- (iii) the Trustee for 30 days after its receipt of the notice, request, and offer of indemnity has failed to institute a Proceeding; and
- (iv) no direction inconsistent with the written request has been given to the Trustee during the 30 day period by a Majority of the Controlling Class.

If, during the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Trustee receives conflicting or inconsistent requests and indemnity from two or more groups of Holders of the Controlling Class, each representing less than a Majority of the Controlling Class, regarding the institution or conduct of any proceeding or any remedy or the exercise of any right available to the Trustee under the Indenture, the Trustee shall take the action requested by the Holders of the largest percentage in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, notwithstanding any other provisions of the Indenture but subject to such Holders having offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the costs and liabilities that might reasonably be incurred by it in compliance with the request as provided in the Indenture.

## **Supplemental Indentures**

### *Without Consent of Holders*

Without the consent of the Holders of any Securities (other than with respect to the consents specified in clauses (8), (14) and (15) below), but with the consent of the parties the consent of which is required as described in the following paragraph, the Co-Issuers, in each instance when authorized by resolutions of the respective Boards of Directors, and the Trustee, at any time and from time to time subject to the requirement provided below with respect to receipt of a Rating Confirmation, may, if, with respect to any matters described in clauses (1) through (24) below, the interests of the Holders of the Securities are not materially and adversely affected thereby (the Co-Issuers and the Trustee will be bound by a standard of good faith and fair dealing in making such determination) enter into one or more indentures supplemental to the Indenture, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, for any of the following purposes:

- (1) to evidence the succession of another person to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and the assumption by the successor person of the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Indenture and in the Securities;
- (2) to add to the covenants of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders or to surrender any right in the Indenture conferred on the Co-Issuers;
- (3) to convey, transfer, assign, mortgage, or pledge any property to the Trustee, or add to the conditions, limitations or restrictions on the authorized amount, terms and purposes of the issue, authentication and delivery of the Notes;
- (4) to evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment under the Indenture by a successor Trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of the Indenture necessary to facilitate the administration of the trusts under the Indenture by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of the Indenture;
- (5) to correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of the Indenture, or to better assure, convey, and confirm to the Trustee any property subject or required to be subject to the lien of the Indenture (including all actions appropriate as a result of changes in law) or to subject to the lien of the Indenture any additional property;
- (6) to conform any provision in the Indenture to the related provision in this Offering Memorandum that is intended to be a verbatim recitation of such provision;
- (7) to modify the restrictions on and procedures for resales and other transfers of the Notes to reflect any changes in applicable law (or its interpretation) or to enable the Co-Issuers to rely on any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities Act or the

Investment Company Act or to remove restrictions on resale and transfer to the extent not required under the Indenture;

- (8) with the consent of the Servicer, to modify (A) the restrictions on the sales of Collateral Obligations described in “Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations” or (b) with the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld), the Eligibility Criteria described in “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria” (and the related definitions); *provided* that, for the avoidance of doubt, the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall not be required if such amendment also satisfies the requirements of clause (25) below;
- (9) to make appropriate changes for any Class of Senior Notes to be listed on an exchange other than the ISE;
- (10) otherwise to correct any inconsistency or cure any ambiguity or errors in the Indenture;
- (11) to accommodate the issuance of the Senior Notes in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC or otherwise;
- (12) to take any appropriate action to prevent the Issuer, the Holders of Securities or the Trustee from becoming subject to withholding or other taxes, fees, or assessments or to prevent the Issuer from being treated as being engaged in a U.S. trade or business or otherwise being subject to U.S. federal, state or local income tax on a net income basis, so long as the action will not cause the Holders of any Securities to be adversely affected to any material extent by any change to the timing, character, or source of the income from the Securities, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion);
- (13) to authorize the appointment of any listing agent, transfer agent, paying agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes appropriate in connection with the listing of any Class of Senior Notes on the ISE or any other stock exchange, and otherwise to amend the Indenture to incorporate any changes required or requested by any governmental authority, stock exchange authority, listing agent, transfer agent, paying agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes in connection with its appointment, so long as the supplemental indenture would not materially and adversely affect any Noteholders, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Notes;
- (14) with the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class, to amend, modify, enter into or accommodate the execution of any contract relating to a Synthetic Security (including posting collateral under a Synthetic Security Agreement) if such particular action is not otherwise permitted by the Indenture;
- (15) with the consent of a Majority of the Class A-1B Notes, to amend any provisions herein relating solely to the manner, timing and conditions of Drawdowns;

- (16) to modify certain representations as to Collateral in the Indenture in order that it may be consistent with applicable laws or Rating Agency requirements;
- (17) to evidence any waiver by any Rating Agency as to any requirement or condition, as applicable, of the Rating Agency in the Indenture;
- (18) to facilitate the issuance of participation notes, combination notes, composite securities and other similar securities;
- (19) to evidence or implement the issuance of Replacement Notes or Refinancing Notes as provided for in the Indenture;
- (20) to facilitate hedging transactions;
- (21) to facilitate the ability of the Issuer to lend collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement;
- (22) to modify any provision to facilitate an exchange of one security for another security of the same issuers that has substantially identical terms except transfer restrictions, including to effect any serial designation relating to the exchange;
- (23) with the consent of the Servicer, to enter into any additional agreements not expressly prohibited by the Indenture as well as any amendment, modification, or waiver if the Issuer determines that the amendment, modification, or waiver would not, upon or after becoming effective, materially and adversely affect the rights or interest of the Holders of any Class of Securities, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Servicer, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities; *provided* that for the avoidance of doubt, this clause (23) shall not permit the Co-Issuer and the Trustee to effect any amendment that expressly requires the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class without such consent;
- (24) to provide for the issuance of additional Preference Shares to the extent permitted by the Preference Share Documents and to extend to such additional Preference Shares the benefits applicable to the Preference Shares under the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents; or
- (25) to prevent the Issuer from becoming an “investment company” as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); *provided* that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer shall have received (A) a Rating Confirmation with respect to such supplemental indenture and (B) a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such supplemental indenture, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

Without the consent of the Servicer, no supplemental indenture may be entered into that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to the Servicer under the Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer. The Trustee is authorized to join in the execution of any such supplemental indenture and to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations that may be in the agreements, but the Trustee should not be obligated to enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties, liabilities or immunities under the Indenture or otherwise, except to the extent required by law. Unless notified by a Majority of any Class of Securities that the Class of Securities would be materially and adversely affected, the Trustee may rely on a certificate of the Servicer and an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) as to whether the interests of any Holder of Securities would be materially and adversely affected by any such supplemental indenture.

If any Outstanding Notes are rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee will enter into a supplemental indenture without the consent of Holders only if either (1) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the supplemental indenture or (2) the Servicer and the Holders of 100% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes the ratings on which would be reduced or withdrawn consent to the supplemental indenture. Prior to the entry into any supplemental indenture with respect to which a Rating Confirmation for one or more Classes of Notes is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Note informing them of such fact.

At the cost of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee will mail to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares), each Rating Agency (for so long as any Notes are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency) and each Hedge Counterparty a copy of any such proposed supplemental indenture at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee (or 60 calendar days before execution in the case of a supplemental indenture for the purpose described in clause (8) above, which shall be identified as such in a certificate of the Servicer delivered to the Trustee before the date on which such notice is required to be given).

*With Consent of Holders*

If the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency, with the consent of (a) the Servicer if the supplemental indenture would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under the Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer, (b) a Majority of each Class of Notes adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of each such Class of Notes and (c) a Majority of the Preference Shares adversely affected thereby, the Trustee and the Co-Issuers may enter into a supplemental indenture to add any provisions to, or change in any manner or eliminate any of the provisions of, the Indenture or modify in any manner the rights of the Holders of the Notes under the Indenture.

Any proposed supplemental indenture that would also necessitate a change to the Issuer Charter (or the memorandum and articles of association of Investors Corp.) may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined therein) has been passed to permit the Issuer's (or Investors Corp.'s) constitutional documents to be altered to conform with such proposed change to the Indenture as certified to the Trustee by the Issuer.

Notwithstanding anything in the Indenture to the contrary, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected thereby and the Holder of each Outstanding Preference Share adversely affected thereby, no supplemental indenture shall:

(i) change the Stated Maturity of the principal of or the due date of any installment of interest on any Note or of any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, reduce the principal amount or the rate of interest on any Note, or the Default Interest Rate, the Refinancing Price or the Redemption Price with respect to any Note or Preference Share, or change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Share may be redeemed or refinanced at the option of the Issuer, change the provisions of the Indenture relating to the application of proceeds of any Collateral to the payment of principal of or interest on Notes or to payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, or change any place where, or the coin or currency in which, Notes or their principal or interest are paid or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after their Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption or refinancing, on or after the applicable Redemption Date or Refinancing Date);

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class or Holders of Preference Shares whose consent is required for the authorization of any such supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of the Indenture or certain defaults under the Indenture or their consequences provided for in the Indenture;

(iii) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on a parity with the lien of the Indenture with respect to any part of the Collateral or terminate the lien on any property at any time subject hereto or deprive the Holder of any Note of the security afforded by the lien of the Indenture;

(iv) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class whose consent is required to request the Trustee to retain the Collateral pursuant to the Indenture or to sell or liquidate the Collateral pursuant to the Indenture;

(v) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture with respect to supplemental indentures or to provide that certain other provisions of the Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note and Preference Share affected thereby;

(vi) modify the definition of "Outstanding," "Controlling Class," or "Majority," the Priority of Payments or any non-petition or limited recourse clause in the Indenture; or

(vii) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of Redemption Price or of interest or principal on any Note or any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the payment of dividends or other payments on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date or to affect the rights of the Holders of Notes or Preference Shares to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of the Notes or the Preference Shares contained in the Indenture.

Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the above provision, the Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, will mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) a copy of such proposed supplemental indenture and will request any required consent from the applicable Holders of Securities to be given within the Initial Consent Period. Any consent given to a proposed supplemental indenture by the Holder of any Securities will be irrevocable and binding on all future



Holders or beneficial owners of that Security, irrespective of the execution date of the supplemental indenture. If the Holders of less than the required percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the relevant Securities consent to a proposed supplemental indenture within the Initial Consent Period, on the first Business Day after the Initial Consent Period, the Trustee will notify the Issuer and the Servicer which Holders of Securities have consented to the proposed supplemental indenture and, which Holders (and, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the Trustee, which beneficial owners) have not consented to the proposed supplemental indenture. If it intends to exercise its Amendment Buy-Out Option, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must so notify the Trustee (which notice will designate a date for the Amendment Buy-Out to occur no earlier than 10 Business Days after the date of such notice) no later than five Business Days after the Servicer is so notified by the Trustee and the Trustee will promptly mail such notice to all Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares). Any Non-Consenting Holder may give consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture until the 5<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the date of the Amendment Buy-Out designated by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and in such case will cease to be a Non-Consenting Holder for purposes of the Amendment Buy-Out. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser exercises its Amendment Buy-Out Option and purchases the applicable Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, as Holder or beneficial owner of the applicable Securities, may consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture within five Business Days of the Amendment Buy-Out.

It is not necessary for any Act of Noteholders under the above provision to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if the Act or consent approves its substance.

The Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, will mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency a copy of any supplemental indenture promptly after its execution by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee.

### **Additional Issuance of Preference Shares**

The Preference Share Documents will provide that, at any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the proceeds from such issuance and sale to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or as otherwise permitted under the Preference Share Documents and the Indenture; *provided* that the following conditions are met: (a) the terms of the Preference Shares issued must be identical to the terms of previously issued Preference Shares and (b) the net proceeds of any additional Preference Shares are used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations. Such additional Preference Shares may be offered and sold at prices that differ from the initial offering prices of the outstanding Preference Shares; *provided* that the initial offering prices of additional Preference Shares shall not be below 100% of the face amount thereof. The Issuer must cause purchases of additional Preference Shares made pursuant to an additional issuance of Preference Shares to comply individually and in the aggregate with the applicable purchase and transfer restrictions for the Preference Shares set forth herein in "Transfer Restrictions" and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

Any additional Preference Shares issued will, to the extent reasonably practicable, be offered by the Issuer first to the existing Holders of the Preference Shares, in such amounts as are necessary to preserve their *pro rata* holdings of the Preference Shares. By its acceptance of the Preference Shares,

each Holder of a Preference Share agrees that additional Preference Shares can be issued in accordance with the Preference Share Documents and the Indenture without consent of any Holder of the Securities.

It is expected that Investors Corp. will finance the purchase of any additional Class I Preference Shares issued by the Issuer by issuing additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such additional Class I Preference Shares purchased by it in accordance with the memorandum and articles of association of Investors Corp.

With the exception of the Refinancing Notes and Replacement Notes, the Indenture does not permit the issuance of additional Class A-1A Notes, Class A-1B Notes, Class A-2 Notes, Class B Notes, Class C Notes or Class D Notes or other obligations with terms similar to those of such Classes of Notes.

### **Amendment Buy-Out**

In the case of any supplemental indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Securities held by or on behalf of such Holders of the Class of Securities whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture or, with respect to any Class I Preference Shares held by Investors Corp. if the consent of the Holders of Holding Preference Shares has been solicited, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holders all Holding Preference Shares held by such Holders (the “**Amendment Buy-Out Option**”), in each case, for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; *provided, however*, that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser may not exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option during the Non-Call Period in connection with a proposed amendment to reduce the rate of interest on any Securities or to change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Shares may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all such Securities of Non-Consenting Holders and all such Holding Preference Shares of the Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holders, as the case may be, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an “**Amendment Buy-Out**”); *provided* that if any Non-Consenting Holder holds Class II Preference Shares, (i) such Non-Consenting Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to Investors Corp. and such Class II Preference Shares will be cancelled and a corresponding number of Class I Preference Shares shall be issued, (ii) Investors Corp. will issue additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such newly issued Class I Preference Shares purchased by it and (iii) the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser will purchase such additional Holding Preference Shares in lieu of such newly issued Class I Preference Shares. By its acceptance of its Securities under the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents, as applicable, each Holder of Securities agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder and any Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder will be required to sell its applicable Transaction Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser. Neither the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser nor any other Person shall have any liability to any Holder or beneficial owner of Transaction Securities as a result of an election by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser not to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option.

All purchases made pursuant to an Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Transaction Securities set forth herein in “Transfer Restrictions”, the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement (in the case of the Class A-1B Notes) and in the Investors Corp. Offering Memorandum, as applicable, and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency). Any Amendment Buy-Out of Class A-1B

Notes during the Delayed Drawdown Period shall include the related obligation to fund the Fully Drawn Amount.

In addition, one or more Holders may enter into an agreement with the Issuer and/or the Servicer that such Holder will have the right to receive a greater purchase price than the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price set forth in the Indenture. See “Risk Factors—An Amendment Buy-Out May Result in a Shorter Holding Period Than Expected.”

### **Refinancing of Non-Consenting Holder’s Notes**

After the Non-Call Period, if Holders representing a Majority of the Preference Shares and the Servicer consent to a proposed amendment of the Indenture relating to interest on the Notes and any Noteholder becomes a Non-Consenting Holder with respect to such amendment, then the Co-Issuers and the Trustee shall, if so directed in writing by Holders representing a Majority of the Preference Shares and the Servicer, effect a refinancing (a “**Non-Consenting Note Refinancing**”) of the Notes of all such Non-Consenting Holders (the “**Non-Consenting Notes**”) by the issuance of additional Notes of the same Classes and respective principal amounts (the “**Replacement Notes**”) to be purchased by a Person or Persons consenting to such amendment relating to interest on the Notes and otherwise eligible under the provisions of the Indenture to be a Holder of such Notes (any such Person, a “**Consenting Purchaser**”). If and to the extent a Consenting Purchaser can be found, the Co-Issuers (or the Servicer, on behalf of the Co-Issuers) will use reasonable efforts to arrange for and negotiate the terms of such purchase with any such Consenting Purchaser or Consenting Purchasers. All such purchasers of Replacement Notes shall make payment to the Trustee, to be deposited into a separate, non-interest bearing account to be held by the Trustee for the account of such Non-Consenting Holders (the “**Non-Consenting Noteholder’s Purchase Account**”), in full of the outstanding principal amount of the Non-Consenting Notes and, to the extent not otherwise paid pursuant to the Priority of Payments on the date of such Non-Consenting Note Refinancing, all accrued and unpaid interest thereon (to be disbursed to such Non-Consenting Holders upon surrender of their Non-Consenting Notes for cancellation) and any expenses incurred by the Trustee in connection with the Refinancing.

All purchases of Replacement Notes individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Classes set forth herein and in the Indenture, and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

### **Redemption by Refinancing**

Any Class of Notes may be redeemed in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period from Refinancing Proceeds if the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, proposes to the Holders of the Preference Shares in writing (by notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares)) with a copy to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies at least 30 days prior to the Payment Date for such redemption (such date, the “**Refinancing Date**”) to redeem such Notes in accordance with the Indenture, which notice will, among other things, specify the Refinancing Date and the Class of Notes to be refinanced and redeemed. Such redemption will be effected by the Issuer obtaining a loan or an issuance of a replacement class of notes (such notes, the “**Refinancing Notes**”) the terms of which loan or issuance will be negotiated by the Servicer, on behalf of the Co-Issuers, from one or more financial institutions or purchasers (which may include the Servicer or its Affiliates) selected by the Servicer (a refinancing provided pursuant to such loan or issuance, a “**Refinancing**”), provided that (i) such proposal is approved by a Majority of the Preference Shares (voting as a single class) at least 15 days prior to the Refinancing Date and (ii) the Servicer completes such Refinancing and causes the Refinancing Proceeds to be deposited with the Trustee (in

immediately available funds) no later than the close of the Business Day immediately preceding the Refinancing Date. Any Refinancing will be subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Indenture.

The Co-Issuers will obtain a Refinancing only if the Servicer determines and certifies to the Trustee that:

- (i) a Rating Agency Confirmation has been obtained from S&P for such Refinancing;
- (ii) the proceeds from the Refinancing will be at least sufficient to pay the Refinancing Price plus any Administrative Expenses of the Co-Issuers related to the Refinancing;
- (iii) the interest rate payable in respect of the obligations providing the Refinancing is less than the interest rate payable on the Notes being refinanced;
- (iv) the principal amount of any obligations providing the Refinancing is no greater than the principal amount of the Notes being redeemed with the proceeds of such obligations;
- (v) the stated maturity of the obligations providing the Refinancing is no earlier than the Stated Maturity of the Notes being refinanced;
- (vi) the Refinancing Proceeds will be used (to the extent necessary) to redeem the applicable Notes;
- (vii) the agreements relating to the Refinancing contain non-recourse and non-petition provisions equivalent to those applicable to the Notes being redeemed, as set forth in the Indenture;
- (viii) the expenses in connection with the Refinancing have been paid or will be adequately provided for; and
- (ix) the obligations providing the Refinancing are subject to the Priority of Payments and do not rank higher in priority pursuant to the Priority of Payments than the Class of Notes being redeemed.

Any Refinancing Proceeds will not constitute Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds but will be applied directly on the related Refinancing Date to redeem the Notes being refinanced and pay Administrative Expenses in connection with the Refinancing without regard to the Priority of Payments; *provided*, that to the extent that any Refinancing Proceeds are not applied to redeem the Notes being refinanced (and any associated Administrative Expenses), such Refinancing Proceeds will be treated as Principal Proceeds.

## **Notices**

Notices to the Holders of the Securities will be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the registered Holders of the Notes at their respective addresses appearing in the Indenture Register, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares). If and for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the ISE and the rules of the exchange so require, notice will also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

Any Holder or beneficial owner of any Class A Note may elect to acquire bond insurance, a surety bond, a credit default swap or similar credit enhancement supporting the payment of principal and/or interest on such Class A Note, as applicable, on terms and conditions acceptable to such Holder or beneficial owner and at the sole expense of such Holder or beneficial owner. On or after any such acquisition, such Holder or beneficial owner may deliver notice (and if from a beneficial owner, any such notice shall include certification that such owner is a beneficial owner of the Class A Notes) to the Trustee in substantially the form set out in the Indenture, specifying the name and contact information of the insurer, surety, credit protection seller or enhancer of such Class A Note, as applicable (each, an “**Insurer**”). After receipt of any such notice by the Trustee, the Trustee shall copy the related Insurer on all notices, reports or other documents delivered to the Noteholders.

### **Certain Covenants**

The Indenture contains certain covenants restricting the conduct of the Co-Issuers, including (i) restrictions on consolidations, mergers and transfers or conveyances of assets involving either Co-Issuer, (ii) restrictions on incurrence of debt other than the Notes and certain obligations incidental to the performance by each Co-Issuer of its obligations under the Indenture, (iii) restrictions on the ability of either Co-Issuer to conduct activities inconsistent with its special-purpose nature and (iv) certain restrictions on amendments of the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Servicing Agreement.

### **Certain Additional Issues Relating to Listing of Senior Notes**

Application will be made to admit each Class of Senior Notes to the Daily Official List of the ISE. There can be no assurance that any such admission will be granted or maintained.

The Indenture provides that, so long as any Senior Notes remain Outstanding, the Co-Issuers shall use all reasonable efforts to obtain and maintain the listing of the Senior Notes on the ISE.

### **Cancellation**

All Securities that are paid in full or redeemed and surrendered for cancellation will forthwith be canceled and may not be reissued or resold.

### **No Gross-Up**

All payments made by the Issuer under the Securities will be made without any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax unless the deduction or withholding is required by any applicable law, as modified by the practice of any relevant governmental revenue authority, then in effect. If the Issuer is so required to deduct or withhold, then the Issuer will not be obligated to pay any additional amounts in respect of the withholding or deduction.

### **Petitions for Bankruptcy**

The Indenture provides that no Secured Party may cause the Issuer or Co-Issuer to petition for bankruptcy before one year and one day have elapsed since the final payments to the Holders of all Notes and redemption of all of the Preference Shares or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, including any period established pursuant to the laws of the Cayman Islands.

## **Standard of Conduct**

The Indenture provides that, in exercising any of its or their voting rights, rights to direct and consent or any other rights as a Noteholder under the Indenture, subject to the terms and conditions of the Indenture, a Noteholder shall not have any obligation or duty to any Person or to consider or take into account the interests of any Person and shall not be liable to any Person for any action taken by it or them or at its or their direction or any failure by it or them to act or to direct that an action be taken, without regard to whether the action or inaction benefits or adversely affects any Noteholder, the Issuer, or any other Person, except for any liability to which a Noteholder may be subject to the extent the same results from such Noteholder's taking or directing an action, or failing to take or direct an action, in bad faith or in violation of the express terms of the Indenture.

## **Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture**

The Indenture will be discharged with respect to the Collateral upon delivery to the Trustee for cancellation of all of the Notes, or, within certain limitations (including the obligation to pay interest on or principal of the Notes) upon deposit with the Trustee of funds sufficient for the payment or redemption thereof and the payment by the Co-Issuers or the Issuer, as applicable, of all other amounts due under the Indenture.

## **Trustee**

Investors Bank & Trust Company will be the Trustee under the Indenture. The Co-Issuers, the Servicer and their respective Affiliates may maintain other banking relationships in the ordinary course of business with the Trustee and its Affiliates. The payment of the fees and expenses of the Trustee relating to the Notes is solely the obligation of the Issuer. The payment of the fees and expenses, which will be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments, is secured by a lien on the Collateral which is senior to the lien of the Holders of the Notes. The Trustee and its Affiliates may receive compensation in connection with the purchase of trust assets in certain Eligible Investments as provided in the Indenture. Eligible Investments may include assets for which the Trustee or its Affiliates provide services. The Indenture contains provisions for the indemnification of the Trustee for any loss, liability or expense incurred without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of the Indenture.

Pursuant to the Indenture, as security for the payment by the Issuer of the compensation and expenses of the Trustee and any sums the Trustee may be entitled to receive as indemnification by the Issuer, the Issuer will grant the Trustee a senior lien on the Collateral, which is senior to the lien of the holders of the Secured Obligations on the Collateral.

Pursuant to the Indenture, the Trustee may resign at any time by providing 30 days' written notice to the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Holders of each Class of Notes, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency, upon receipt of which the Co-Issuers shall, at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, promptly appoint a successor trustee that meets the requirements set forth in the Indenture. If no successor trustee is appointed within 60 days after such notice, the resigning Trustee or any Holder of a Class of Notes may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of such successor. The Trustee may be removed (i) at any time by a Majority of the Controlling Class, (ii) by order of a court of competent jurisdiction or (iii) so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, by the Issuer. If at any time the Trustee ceases to be an eligible trustee under the Indenture and fails to resign after written request by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class, or the Trustee becomes incapable of acting or is adjudged

bankrupt or insolvent, then (A) the Co-Issuers may, and at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall, remove the Trustee, or (B) any Holder of a Security may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor trustee. If the Trustee is removed or becomes incapable of acting, or if a vacancy occurs in the office of the Trustee for any reason (other than resignation), the Co-Issuers shall promptly appoint a successor trustee. If the Co-Issuers fail to appoint a successor trustee within 60 days after the removal or incapability or the occurrence of the vacancy, a successor trustee may be appointed by a Majority of the Controlling Class by written instrument. If no successor trustee has been so appointed by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class, then the Trustee to be replaced or any Holder of a Security, may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor trustee. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, no resignation or removal of the Trustee will become effective until the acceptance of appointment by a successor trustee pursuant to the terms of the Indenture.

### **Governing Law**

The Notes, the Indenture, the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Subscription Agreements, the Securities Lending Agreements, and the Hedge Agreements will be governed by the laws of the State of New York. The Administration Agreement and the Issuer Charter will be governed by the laws of the Cayman Islands.

### **Method of Payments**

Payments of principal and interest on any Note or payments on or in respect of the Preference Shares (including any Redemption Price paid on the applicable Redemption Date) and of any payments on any Notes or Preference Shares will be made to the person in whose name the related Note or Preference Share is registered fifteen days before the applicable Payment Date or Refinancing Date (the “**Record Date**”). Payments will be made (i) in the case of a Global Note, to the Depository or its designee and to the Holder or its nominee with respect to a Definitive Security, by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a United States dollar account maintained by the Depository or its nominee with respect to a Global Note and to the Holder or its designee with respect to a Definitive Security if the Holder has provided written wiring instructions to the Trustee and, if the payment is to be made by the Irish Paying Agent, the Irish Paying Agent on or before the related Record Date or, (ii) if appropriate wiring instructions are not received by the related Record Date, by check drawn on a U.S. bank mailed to the address of the Holder in the Indenture Register (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Preference Share register). Final payments of principal of the Notes or Preference Shares will be made against surrender of the related Notes or Preference Shares at the office designated by the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent. None of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Servicer, the Placement Agent, any paying agent, or any of their respective affiliates will have any responsibility or liability for any aspects of the records maintained by the Depository or its nominee or any of its direct or indirect participants (including Euroclear or Clearstream or any of their respective direct or indirect participants) relating to payments made on account of beneficial interests in a Global Note.

The Co-Issuers expect that the Depository or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment of principal or interest in respect of a Global Note held by the Depository or its nominee, will immediately credit participants’ accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the Global Note as shown on the records of the Depository or its nominee. The Co-Issuers also expect that payments by participants (i.e., direct participants) to owners of beneficial interests in a Global Note held through the participants (i.e., indirect participants) will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers

registered in the names of nominees for the customers. The payments will be the responsibility of the participants.

For so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the ISE and the rules of the exchange shall so require, the Issuer and the Co-Issuers, as applicable, will have the Irish Paying Agent for the Senior Notes in Ireland and payments on the Senior Notes may be effected through the Irish Paying Agent. If the Irish Paying Agent is replaced at any time during the period, notice of the appointment of any replacement will be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

## **Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement**

### *General*

Pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agent will perform various fiscal services with respect to the Preference Shares on behalf of the Issuer, including the maintenance of the Preference Shares Distribution Account and the making of distributions on the Preference Shares. The Preference Shares Paying Agent will deliver or request the Trustee to deliver all Monthly Reports and Valuation Reports prepared pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deliver, or shall cause the Trustee to deliver, a copy of any other notice or information it receives from the Trustee under the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case (i) by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to each Holder of a Preference Share at the address appearing in the Preference Share register or (ii) with respect to delivery of Monthly Reports and Valuation Reports, by making such reports available via its internet website, initially located at [www.cdocalc.com/ibt/cdo](http://www.cdocalc.com/ibt/cdo) (such website does not form a part of this Offering Memorandum in any way). All information made available on the Preference Shares Paying Agent's website will be restricted and the Preference Shares Paying Agent will only provide access to such reports to those parties entitled thereto pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. In connection with providing access to its website, the Preference Shares Paying Agent may require registration and the acceptance of a disclaimer. Questions regarding the Preference Shares Paying Agent's website can be directed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent's customer service desk at (617) 937-5585. The payment of the fees and expenses of the Preference Shares Paying Agent is solely the obligation of the Issuer. The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement contains provisions for the indemnification of the Preference Shares Paying Agent for any loss, liability or expense incurred without gross negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith on its part, arising out of or in connection with the performance of its function under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

### *Redemption*

On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Issuer is scheduled to redeem the Preference Shares for a redemption price equal to all amounts distributable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares as provided under “—Priority of Payments,” unless the Preference Shares have been redeemed earlier through an optional redemption as described herein or otherwise.

### *Governing Law*

The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York. The rights of the Holders of the Preference Shares will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the Cayman Islands.



*Redesignation of Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares*

The Share Registrar will record in the register maintained by it the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares issued by the Issuer. HFP and its subsidiaries will agree not to transfer any of the Class II Preference Shares to any third party other than Investors Corp. Any transfer of Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to Investors Corp. will require the cancellation and redemption of such Class II Preference Shares and the corresponding issuance of Class I Preference Shares, and any transfer of Class I Preference Shares to HFP or any of its subsidiaries from Investors Corp. will require cancellation and redemption of such Class I Preference Shares and the corresponding issuance of Class II Preference Shares to HFP or any of its subsidiaries, as applicable. Investors Corp. will finance the purchase of any Class I Preference Shares to be issued in connection with such transfer by issuing additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such Class I Preference Shares.

*Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities*

If the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, desires to make distributions of Eligible Equity Securities on any Payment Date in lieu of Interest Proceeds that are otherwise available for distribution to the Holders of Preference Shares on such Payment Date pursuant to the Priority of Payments, the Servicer will notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent not later than 20 calendar days prior to such Payment Date and provide the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding on the Record Date or promptly thereafter, but in any event no later than two Business Days after the Record Date, to each Holder of the Preference Shares registered as such on the Record Date for such Payment Date) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding on the Record Date or promptly thereafter, but in any event no later than two Business Days after the Record Date, to each Holder of the Holding Preference Shares registered as such on the Record Date for such Payment Date) with (i) details of the Eligible Equity Securities to be distributed, (ii) the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities determined as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date, (iii) any other information considered necessary by the Servicer in connection with such proposed distribution and (iv) any information as otherwise required by the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and/or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such proposed distribution. The Preference Shares Paying Agent will then mail such materials, within two Business Days of its receipt thereof from the Servicer, to each registered Holder of Preference Shares on the Record Date for such Payment Date along with a form of notice and consent (in a form attached to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement) seeking the written consent of each such Holder of Preference Shares to distribute such Eligible Equity Securities to such Holder in lieu of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date. Each Holder of the Preference Shares wishing to receive such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of a distribution of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such applicable Payment Date (each such Holder with respect to such Payment Date, a “**Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares**”) must deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent a written consent (which consent will be irrevocable) not later than five Business Days prior to such Payment Date. If any Holder of Preference Shares does not timely deliver its written consent to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in the manner set forth in such notice indicating its consent to the receipt of such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of a distribution of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date, such Holder will be deemed to have not given its consent and shall not be a Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. On each applicable Payment Date (or as soon thereafter as reasonably practicable), Eligible Equity Securities will be distributed *pro rata* to each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. Each Holder of Preference Shares that is not a Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares (and, for the avoidance of doubt, each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares to the extent the Market Value as of the relevant

Market Value Determination Date of the *pro rata* portion of Eligible Equity Securities distributed to it on such Payment Date is less than the *pro rata* portion of the Interest Proceeds that it would have received on such Payment Date had the Eligible Equity Securities not been distributed on such Payment Date) on any applicable Payment Date will receive a distribution of Interest Proceeds to the extent available in accordance with the Priority of Payments on such Payment Date. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

#### *Amendment*

*Without the Consent of Holders.* The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement may be amended by the parties thereto, without the consent of the Holders of any Preference Shares, for the purpose of curing any ambiguity, or of curing, correcting or supplementing any defective provision contained therein, or in regard to matters or questions arising under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement as the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem necessary or desirable and which shall not materially adversely affect the interests of Holders of the Preference Shares. In addition, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement may be amended without the consent of any Holders of the Preference Shares and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Preference Shares in order to prevent the Issuer from becoming an “investment company” as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); *provided* that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such amendment, each of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer shall have received a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such amendment, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

*With the consent of Holders.* Unless otherwise set forth in the preceding paragraph, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement may be amended with the consent of Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares materially and adversely affected thereby.

Any amendment to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement must be in writing, executed by each party thereto. The Preference Shares Paying Agent is entitled to receive, and (subject to its duties and obligations in the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an opinion of counsel, consent or certificate of the Issuer in determining whether or not any proposed amendment is permitted under Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

Any amendment to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement that would also necessitate a change to the Issuer Charter may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Issuer Charter) has been passed to permit the Issuer Charter to be altered to conform with such proposed amendment.

#### **The Issuer Charter**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Issuer Charter relating to the Preference Shares that are not referred to elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum.

### *Voting Rights*

Other than as provided below, only the holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares shall have the right to receive notice of, attend at and vote as a shareholder of the Issuer at any general meeting of the Issuer. Every holder of an Issuer Ordinary Share present at any meeting shall, on a show of hands, be entitled to one vote and, on a poll, shall be entitled to one vote per Issuer Ordinary Share held by such holder.

Other than as provided below, the Holders of the Preference Shares shall have the right to receive notice of, attend at and vote as a shareholder of the Issuer at any general meeting of the Issuer only in respect of a resolution which relates to any circumstance or matter which under the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents or the Servicing Agreement can take place or occur only at the direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares (a “**Preference Share Vote**”). Every Holder of Preference Shares present shall, on a show of hands, be entitled to one vote and, on a poll, shall be entitled to one vote per Preference Share held by such Holder except that, in relation to a Preference Share Vote relating to certain matters (as set out in the Indenture) Preference Shares held by certain Holders (as set out in the Indenture), shall be ignored.

The Class II Preference Shares will have total control with respect to the appointment and removal of the directors of the Issuer as long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is higher than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date. If the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is lower than or equal to the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date, only the holders of Ordinary Shares will be entitled to vote with respect to the appointment and removal of the directors of the Issuer.

### *Liquidation*

In the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Issuer:

(i) the Holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares at the time outstanding will be entitled to receive out of the assets of the Issuer available for distribution to shareholders, before any distribution of assets is made to Holders of the Preference Shares, an amount equal to U.S.\$2.00 in respect of each Issuer Ordinary Share held by each such holder; and

(ii) the Holders of the Preference Shares at the time Outstanding will be entitled to the balance of the assets of the Issuer available for distribution to shareholders, after distribution of amounts due to holders of Issuer Ordinary Shares under the above subparagraph, *pro rata* according to the number of Preference Shares held by each such holder.

If the assets available for distribution to holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares are not sufficient to pay to such holders U.S.\$2.00 in respect of each Issuer Ordinary Share, the available assets shall be distributed to holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares *pro rata* according to the number of Issuer Ordinary Shares held by each such holder.

### *Transfer*

The rights of a Holder of a Preference Share to transfer such Preference Share are subject to restrictions set out in the Preference Share Documents and as described in “Transfer Restrictions.”

*Petitions for Bankruptcy*

Each Holder of a Preference Share will be required to agree (or be deemed to have agreed) not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes and the redemption of all of the Preference Shares or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect.

**USE OF PROCEEDS**

The Securities will be issued and sold for Cash on the Closing Date. The gross proceeds from the issuance of such Securities on the Closing Date are expected to equal approximately U.S.\$700,000,000 and will be used by the Issuer to:

- purchase a portfolio of Collateral Obligations;
- fund the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to cover any future draws on Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans;
- enter into any Hedge Agreements, as applicable;
- enter into any Securities Lending Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the Securities Lending Account);
- enter into Synthetic Security Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the related accounts);
- repurchase and terminate Participations outstanding under the Warehouse Agreement (at a price reflecting the price originally paid by the Issuer to acquire the Warehoused Loan, *plus* the amount of extensions of credit in respect of certain Warehoused Loans, *minus* the aggregate amount of payments of principal received by the Warehouse Providers, respectively, in respect of such Warehoused Loan (excluding the amount of any such payment that was required to be repaid or returned by any Warehouse Provider by claw-back or otherwise), *plus* all accrued and unpaid interest and fees on such Warehoused Loans);
- fund the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account; and
- undertake certain related activities.

**SECURITY FOR THE NOTES**

The Notes and the Issuer's obligations under the Hedge Agreements and the Servicing Agreement will be secured by the following:

- (i) the Collateral Obligations and all Workout Assets;
- (ii) the Custodial Account, the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Class A-1B Funding Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Securities Lending Account (such accounts, collectively, the "**Issuer Accounts**"), Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, and all income from funds in the Issuer Accounts;

(iii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account (and together with the Issuer Accounts, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the “**Accounts**”) and assets included therein, subject to the terms of the related Synthetic Security (*provided, however*, that any such rights in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee (or securities intermediary) first to secure the Issuer’s payment obligations to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty and second for the benefit of the Secured Parties);

(iv) the Servicing Agreement, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Securities Lending Agreements and all Securities Lending Collateral and the Securities Lending Account, the Hedge Agreements as set forth in the Indenture and all Collateral securing the Hedge Counterparty’s obligations thereunder including, without limitation, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account and the Collateral Administration Agreement to the extent of any rights of the Issuer therein;

(v) all Cash or money delivered to the Trustee (or its bailee); and

(vi) all proceeds with respect to the foregoing (collectively, the “**Collateral**”).

For the avoidance of any doubt, Collateral will exclude (i) amounts released from the Trustee’s lien in connection with certain Synthetic Securities, Hedge Agreements and Securities Lending Agreements in accordance with the Indenture and (ii) the Excluded Property.

### **Purchase of Collateral Obligations**

The Indenture will provide that the Servicer will use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the Issuer to purchase or enter into binding commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations that meet certain minimum amounts and characteristics. The composition of the portfolio of Collateral Obligations will be determined by the selections of the Servicer designed to meet the Eligibility Criteria, the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests and the requirements provided in paragraphs (i) through (ix) in “—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations.” See “—Eligibility Criteria,” “—The Collateral Quality Tests,” “—The Coverage Tests” and “—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations.”

The Servicer expects that, by the end of the Ramp-Up Period, the Issuer will have purchased or committed to purchase Collateral Obligations having an Aggregate Principal Balance of approximately U.S.\$677,332,536 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date).

### **Eligibility Criteria**

On any date during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, on any date after the Replacement Period), so long as no Event of Default is continuing, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to apply Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations) and the funds available from Drawdowns under the Class A-1B Notes to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer’s purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) if the

conditions specified in the Indenture are satisfied. No obligations may be purchased unless each of the conditions in the following clauses (1) through (12) (the “**Eligibility Criteria**”) is satisfied as evidenced by a certificate of the Servicer as of the date the Issuer commits to make the purchase, in each case after giving effect to the purchase and all other purchases and sales previously or simultaneously committed to:

- (1) the obligation is a Collateral Obligation;
- (2) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period:
  - (A) each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied and, if the commitment is made on or after the second Payment Date, each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied; or
  - (B) if any such Coverage Test is not satisfied, both:
    - (i) the extent of satisfaction of the Coverage Test is not reduced; and
    - (ii) the Collateral Obligation is being purchased with Principal Proceeds other than:
      - (x) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or
      - (y) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Workout Asset that has been received in exchange for a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
- (3) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Diversity Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (4) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (5) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, each of the limits in the definition of “Concentration Limitations” is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (6) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (7) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (8) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (9) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (10) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

- (11) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced; *provided, however*, that this Eligibility Criterion (11) shall not apply either to the application of the proceeds from the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset or to the application of Principal Proceeds in respect of Defaulted Collateral Obligations; and
- (12) for any date occurring after the Replacement Period:
  - (A) each Coverage Test is satisfied and the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
  - (B) each Collateral Quality Test is maintained or improved and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied;
  - (C) each Concentration Limitation is maintained or improved and the Aggregate Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations do not exceed 10.0% of the Maximum Amount;
  - (D) the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied and the Weighted Average Life of such Collateral Obligation is less than or equal to the Weighted Average Life of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments or of the Credit Risk Obligations or Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable;
  - (E) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation is at least equal to the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments or of the Credit Risk Obligations or Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable; and
  - (F) the current Moody's Ratings on the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes are "Aaa" and the current Moody's Ratings on the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes are no lower than one subcategory below their initial rating.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) one or more Collateral Obligations may be purchased pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange effected in compliance with "—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations—Credit Improved Obligations" regardless of whether such purchase would otherwise satisfy the Eligibility Criterion set forth in clause (12) above and (ii) the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to purchase any Collateral Obligation following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal or resignation pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement until a successor servicer is appointed pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement. See "The Servicing Agreement."

The Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, exchange a Collateral Obligation for another Collateral Obligation in an exchange of one security for another security of the same issuers that has substantially identical terms except transfer restrictions.

Cash on deposit in the Collection Account may be held in Eligible Investments in accordance with this "Eligibility Criteria" section pending the application thereof to purchase Collateral Obligations.

The Indenture provides that any sale or purchase by the Issuer of a Collateral Obligation shall be conducted on an arm's-length basis and, if effected with the Servicer or a person Affiliated with the Servicer or any fund or account for which the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer acts as investment

adviser or servicer, shall be effected in accordance with the requirements the Servicing Agreement on terms no less favorable to the Issuer than would be the case if the person were not so Affiliated.

### **The Collateral Quality Tests**

The Collateral Quality Tests will be used primarily as criteria for purchasing Collateral Obligations. See “—Eligibility Criteria” above and “—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations” below. The Collateral Quality Tests are described below.

Measurement of the degree of compliance with the Collateral Quality Tests will be required on each Measurement Date on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

#### *The Diversity Test*

The “**Diversity Test**” is a test that will be satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Diversity Score as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score.

#### *Weighted Average Life Test*

The “**Weighted Average Life Test**” is a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the greater of (a) the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and May 1, 2016 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date and (b) 2.4 years.

#### *Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test*

The “**Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test**” is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody’s Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 43.88%.

#### *Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test*

The “**Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test**” is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 52.44%.

“**S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate**” is a rate, as of any Measurement Date, equal to the number obtained by:

- (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate;
- (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations; and
- (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

#### *Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test*

The “**Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test**” is a test that is satisfied if, as of any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 7.5%.



*Weighted Average Spread Test*

The “**Weighted Average Spread Test**” is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread.

*Weighted Average Rating Factor Test*

The “**Weighted Average Rating Factor Test**” is a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of the Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor.

*S&P CDO Monitor Test*

The “**S&P CDO Monitor Test**” is a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive. The S&P CDO Monitor Test shall be considered to be improved if each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is at least equal to the corresponding Note Class Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio. The S&P CDO Monitor Test is not required to be satisfied or improved upon the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation and the application of the related Sale Proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations. For purposes of the S&P CDO Monitor Test:

- (i) the S&P Rating of any S&P Unrated DIP Loan shall be “CCC”; and
- (ii) the S&P Industry Classification for a Synthetic Security shall be that of the related Reference Obligation and not the Synthetic Security.

The “**Note Class Loss Differential**” with respect to any Measurement Date and any Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the rate calculated by subtracting the Class Scenario Loss Rate for the Class from the then-applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate for the Class of Notes.

The “**Note Break-Even Loss Rate**” with respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the maximum percentage of defaults that the Current Portfolio or Proposed Portfolio can sustain and nevertheless sufficient funds will remain for the payment of principal of the Class of Notes in full by its Stated Maturity and the timely payment of interest on the Class A Notes and the ultimate payment of interest on the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes using S&P’s assumptions on recoveries, defaults, and timing, and taking into account the Priority of Payments and the adjusted Weighted Average Spread level specified in the applicable row of the table below. The adjusted Weighted Average Spread as of any Measurement Date is the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date *minus* the amount of any Spread Excess added to the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon as of the Measurement Date.

<b>Row</b>	<b>Adjusted Weighted Average Spread</b>
1	Greater than or equal to 3.05%
2	Greater than or equal to 2.95% but less than 3.05%
3	Greater than or equal to 2.85% but less than 2.95%
4	Greater than or equal to 2.75% but less than 2.85%

<b>Row</b>	<b>Adjusted Weighted Average Spread</b>
5	Greater than or equal to 2.65% but less than 2.75%
6	Greater than or equal to 2.55% but less than 2.65%
7	Greater than or equal to 2.45% but less than 2.55%
8	Greater than or equal to 2.35% but less than 2.45%
9	Greater than or equal to 2.25% but less than 2.35%

## **The Coverage Tests**

### *General*

The Coverage Tests will be used to determine, among other things, whether Notes will be redeemed in certain circumstances as described under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments” and whether additional Collateral Obligations may be acquired as described under “—Eligibility Criteria.” There will not be any Coverage Test applicable to the Preference Shares.

### *The Overcollateralization Tests*

The “**Overcollateralization Tests**” will consist of the Class A Overcollateralization Test, the Class B Overcollateralization Test, the Class C Overcollateralization Test and the Class D Overcollateralization Test.

Each Overcollateralization Test will be satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes on any Measurement Date if, as of such Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the specified required level for the Class indicated in the table in “Summary of Terms—The Overcollateralization Tests.”

The Overcollateralization Ratio, with respect to each Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, is referred to as an “**Overcollateralization Ratio**,” and is the ratio calculated by *dividing*:

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator; by
- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it (excluding any Deferred Interest on the Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it).

The “**Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator**” is, on any date, the sum of:

- (1) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (other than any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, any Deep Discount Obligations, any Current Pay Obligations and any Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an “event of default” (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing); *plus*
- (2) unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal (excluding any unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal in respect of Non-Performing Collateral Obligations); *plus*

- (3) the Aggregate Principal Balance of any Eligible Investments that were purchased with Principal Proceeds and the amount of Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
- (4) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Eligible Investments on deposit in a Securities Lending Account that relate to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an “event of default” (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing; *plus*
- (5) with respect to Collateral Obligation that are Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, Deep Discount Obligations, Current Pay Obligations or Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, the amount determined by using one of the following methods applicable to such type of Collateral Obligation; *provided* that if a Collateral Obligation falls within more than one of such types, the Issuer will be required to use the method that results in the smallest amount:
  - (A) with respect to any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, an amount equal to the product of (i) the lower of (1) 70% and (2) the CCC+/Caa1 Excess Market Value Percentage, *multiplied* by (ii) the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations;
  - (B) with respect to any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, the aggregate of the Applicable Collateral Obligation Amounts for all included Non-Performing Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations that have been held by the Issuer for more than three years, which shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this clause (B));
  - (C) with respect to any Deep Discount Obligations, the Aggregate Purchase Price Amount for all Deep Discount Obligations; and
  - (D) with respect to any Current Pay Obligation that becomes a Current Pay Obligation after failing to pay interest when due for a period of six months or more then (A) if the Market Value of such Current Pay Obligation is greater than or equal to 80%, the par amount thereof or (B) if the Market Value of such Current Pay Obligation is less than 80%, the Market Value thereof; and, with respect to any other Current Pay Obligation, the Principal Balance thereof.

As used in this definition,

“**Applicable Collateral Obligation Amount**” for any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation means:

- (1) the lesser of (x) the Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation and (y) the Applicable Percentage for the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation *multiplied* by:
- (2) if the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation is:
  - (A) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (B) through (D) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;

- (B) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (C) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and
- (D) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

As used in the calculation of Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation, the Principal Balance of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall be, if the Defaulted Collateral Obligation is:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (ii) through (iv) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and
- (iv) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

*The Interest Coverage Tests*

The Interest Coverage Test in respect of each Class of Notes (each an “**Interest Coverage Test**”) is a test the first Measurement Date for which will be on the second Payment Date and that is satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level specified in the table in “Summary of Terms—The Interest Coverage Tests.”

The “**Interest Coverage Ratio**” with respect to any specified Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by dividing:

- (i) the sum of:
  - (A) the Interest Proceeds received or scheduled to be received with respect to the Due Period in which the Measurement Date occurs; *minus*
  - (B) amounts payable under clauses (1), (2), (3) and (4) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” on the related Payment Date; by
- (ii) all accrued and unpaid interest on the specified Class of Notes (including, with respect to the Class A-1B Notes, the Delayed Drawdown Fee) and all Notes ranking senior to the Class, including any Deferred Interest on the related Payment Date.

For purposes of the Interest Coverage Ratio, only the amount of any interest payment (including any “gross up” payment) on any Collateral Obligation in excess of any withholding tax or other

deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction on any date of determination shall be included in Interest Proceeds.

*Retention Overcollateralization Test*

The “**Retention Overcollateralization Test**” is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Retention Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 105.2%.

**Ramp-Up**

In connection with the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer shall use its best efforts to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period or enter into commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period for purchase on or as soon as practicable thereafter (not to exceed 60 days thereafter), in each case, for inclusion in the Collateral so that the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A Notes is at least U.S.\$677,332,536.

No Collateral Obligations may be purchased prior to the Ramp-Up Completion Date unless immediately following the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (as certified by the Servicer in writing), the remaining funds in the Collection Account, after giving effect to such purchase, are sufficient as of the date of determination to purchase Collateral Obligations for inclusion in the Collateral so that the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A Notes is at least U.S.\$677,332,536 (taking into account the Collateral Obligations already part of the Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date)).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, or any other provision of the Indenture, if the Issuer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase a Collateral Obligation to be included in the Collateral, such commitment initially not to exceed 60 days, and at the time of the commitment the Collateral Obligation complied with the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and the requirements set forth under “—Ramp-Up,” the Issuer may consummate the purchase of the Collateral Obligation notwithstanding that the Collateral Obligation fails to comply with the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and the requirements set out above on the date of settlement.

The Issuer will use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase, or to enter into binding agreements to purchase, Collateral Obligations by the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that, together with the Collateral Obligations purchased on or before the Closing Date and then held by the Issuer, will satisfy, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date), the Collateral Quality Tests, the Concentration Limitations, the criteria set forth in the Indenture and the Overcollateralization Tests.

Within 5 Business Days after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer or the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) shall request a Rating Confirmation on behalf of the Issuer and shall provide a report to the Rating Agencies identifying the Collateral Obligations then included in the Collateral and the Issuer shall obtain and deliver to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies, together with the delivery of a report (and, with respect to S&P, the S&P Excel Default Model Input File and the S&P Priority Category thereof) substantially in the form of a Monthly Report as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, an accountants’ certificate:

(i) confirming the maturity date, rating, spread and recovery rate for each item of original Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date and the information provided by the Issuer with respect to every other asset included in the Collateral, by reference to such sources as shall be specified therein;

(ii) confirming that as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date:

(1) each of the Coverage Tests are satisfied;

(2) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owned or committed to purchase as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date is at least equal to the Maximum Amount; and

(3) the Collateral Obligations comply with all of the requirements of the Collateral Quality Tests and the Concentration Limitations and the criteria set forth in “—Eligibility Criteria”; and

(iii) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing statements.

If a Rating Confirmation Failure should occur, the Notes will be redeemed pursuant to the Indenture and as described in “Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes upon Rating Confirmation Failure.”

#### **Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations**

Pursuant to the Indenture and so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell (and the Trustee will sell) any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset if the sale meets the requirements in paragraphs (i) through (ix) below:

(i) *Credit Risk Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Risk Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Risk Obligation in accordance with such direction. Following any sale of a Credit Risk Obligation pursuant to the Indenture, at the direction of the Servicer during the Replacement Period, the Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (to the extent the purchase is in the best interest of the Issuer) meeting the Eligibility Criteria with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Sale Proceeds received by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral Obligation sold. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount.

(ii) *Credit Improved Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Improved Obligation if either:

(1) during the Replacement Period, the Servicer has identified in writing before the sale one or more specific manners in which it will be able, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria and the requirements set forth in paragraph (ix) below, to cause the Issuer to use the Sale Proceeds (it being understood that such identification shall not be considered either a requirement or an assurance that

any specified purchase will be consummated) to purchase one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Credit Improved Obligation by the end of the immediately succeeding Due Period (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest) which in aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Tests, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith being improved, (ii) the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests and Concentration Limitations being improved on a net basis in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer and (iii) in the case of each of clauses (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased; or

- (2) after the Replacement Period, the Sale Proceeds received in respect of the Credit Improved Obligation are at least equal to its Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest);

and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Improved Obligation in accordance with such direction.

- (iii) *Non-Performing Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction. Non-Performing Collateral Obligations may be sold regardless of price.
- (iv) *Non-qualifying Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation (the “**Non-Qualifying Collateral Obligation**”) at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell that obligation in accordance with such direction.
- (v) *Withholding Tax Sales.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation subject to withholding tax at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction.
- (vi) *Optional Redemption.* After the Issuer has notified the Trustee of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the

Trustee to sell all or a portion of the Collateral Obligations as contemplated therein if (A) the requirements in respect of an Optional Redemption under the Indenture have been satisfied and (B) the independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to the Indenture have confirmed the calculations contained in any required certificate furnished by the Servicer pursuant to the Indenture's Note redemption procedure provisions. After the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares have directed an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Indenture, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all of the remaining Collateral Obligations (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to clause (i) under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares") or a portion of the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous directions of Holders of the Preference Shares (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to clause (ii) under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares") and the Trustee shall sell the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

- (vii) *Rating Confirmation Failure.* After the Servicer has received notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Securities, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell Collateral Obligations as contemplated in the Indenture and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.
- (viii) *Workout Assets.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Workout Asset at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and regardless of price and the Trustee shall sell the Workout Assets in accordance with such direction.
- (ix) *Supervening Requirement.* Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Issuer (at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise) will not acquire or dispose of a Collateral Obligation or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. For the avoidance of doubt, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise, may direct the Trustee to sell any CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation or Deep Discount Obligation only (a) if it constitutes Credit Risk Obligation or Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or (b) in connection with the Optional Redemption as set out in paragraph (vi) above. The Trustee will have no obligation to monitor compliance by the Issuer or the Servicer with respect to the requirement set out in this paragraph.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation (other than the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation or a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation pursuant to a sale that meets the requirements in paragraph (i) or (iii) above, as applicable) following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement until a successor servicer is appointed pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement. See "The Servicing Agreement."

#### **Certain Determinations Relating to Collateral Obligations**

The Indenture provides that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained therein, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on



behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have purchased any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to purchase, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to receive such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have acquired, granted or delivered, as the case may be, such Collateral Obligations on such date.

The Indenture provides that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained therein, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to sell, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to sell, and requiring the purchaser to purchase, such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold such Collateral Obligations on such date.

Under the circumstances described in the two preceding paragraphs, if the transaction contemplated by the contract, commitment letter, confirmation or due bill referred to therein does not settle on or before the 60<sup>th</sup> day following the scheduled settlement date (the “**Deadline**”), the deemed purchase or sale shall be deemed not to have occurred; *provided, however*, that the Servicer shall have the right to extend the Deadline for an additional period (not to exceed an additional 60 days) by notice to the Trustee, which notice shall include the Servicer’s certification to the effect that the Servicer believes that the settlement shall occur on or before the extended Deadline.

Scheduled distributions with respect to any Pledged Collateral Obligation shall be determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Indenture.

### **The Accounts**

The Indenture provides that the Trustee will establish separate segregated non-interest bearing trust accounts, which will be designated as the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Custodial Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Class A-1B Funding Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Interest Reserve Account and the Securities Lending Account. In addition, Synthetic Security Counterparty Accounts and Non-Consenting Noteholder’s Purchase Accounts may also be established. Any account may contain any number of subaccounts.

*Collection Account.* The Trustee shall deposit into the “**Collection Account**”:

- (i) any funds transferred from (1) the Closing Date Expense Account pursuant to the Indenture or (2) the Interest Reserve Account pursuant to the Indenture;
- (ii) all Principal Proceeds (unless (1) simultaneously used to purchase Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture, (2) deposited into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or (3) posted by the Issuer as cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer’s purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security or in Eligible Investments) received by the Trustee;
- (iii) all Interest Proceeds received by the Trustee (unless simultaneously used to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture or in Eligible Investments); and

- (iv) all other funds received by the Trustee and not excluded above.

The Issuer and the Servicer may, but will not be required to, jointly deposit from time to time any monies in the Collection Account it deems, in its sole discretion, to be advisable (and may designate any amounts so deposited as Principal Proceeds or Interest Proceeds in its discretion).

Any Principal Proceeds received during the Replacement Period, and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments received after the Replacement Period, which have not been used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations on the Business Day of receipt shall be deposited in the Collection Account and shall at the direction of the Servicer be applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the other requirements set forth in the Indenture or the purchase of Eligible Investments pending such application or used to enter into additional Hedge Agreements or used in connection with a Special Redemption. Principal Proceeds (other than Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations, Credit Risk Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments) received after the Replacement Period shall be deposited into the Collection Account and applied to the purchase of Eligible Investments.

The Collection Account shall be maintained for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer and each Hedge Counterparty and amounts on deposit in the Collection Account will be available for application in the order of priority under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments” and for the acquisition of Collateral Obligations under the circumstances and pursuant to the requirements in the Indenture. Amounts received in the Collection Account during a Due Period and amounts received in prior Due Periods and retained in the Collection Account under the circumstances stated above in “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments” will be applied in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions). All proceeds deposited in the Collection Account will be retained therein unless used to purchase Collateral Obligations during the Replacement Period (or, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period) in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria, to honor commitments with respect thereto entered into during or after the Replacement Period, or used as otherwise permitted under the Indenture. See “—Eligibility Criteria.”

The Trustee shall transfer to the Payment Account from the Collection Account for application pursuant to the Priority of Payments, no later than the Business Day preceding each Payment Date, the amount set forth to be so transferred in the Valuation Report for the Payment Date.

At any time during or after the Replacement Period, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to pay from amounts on deposit in the Collection Account on any Business Day during any Interest Period from Interest Proceeds only, any Administrative Expenses that require payment before the next Payment Date to the extent that the amount of the payments does not exceed the aggregate amount that may be paid on the next payment Date under, and at the level of priority specified by, “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

***Custodial Account.*** The Trustee will from time to time deposit collateral into the “**Custodial Account,**” over which the Trustee will have exclusive control and sole right of withdrawal, in accordance with the Indenture. All assets or securities at any time on deposit in or otherwise to the credit of the Custodial Account will be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer and each Hedge Counterparty.

*Revolving Reserve Account and Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account.* Upon the purchase of any Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, at the direction of the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit Principal Proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account,” in the case of a Revolving Loan, and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account,” in the case of a Delayed Drawdown Loan, each equal to the unfunded commitment amount of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, respectively, and the Principal Proceeds so deposited shall be considered part of the Purchase Price of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan for purposes of the Indenture. At any other time that amounts on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, respectively, are less than the total unfunded Commitment Amounts for all Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans (as applicable) in the Collateral, at the direction of the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit Principal Proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account (as applicable) in the amount necessary to cause the amount on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account to equal the total unfunded Commitment Amounts of all Revolving Loans in the Collateral and the amount on deposit in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to equal to total unfunded Commitment Amounts of all Delayed Drawdown Loans in the Collateral, as applicable. At the direction of the Servicer at any time, the Trustee shall withdraw funds from the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to fund extensions of credit pursuant to Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans, respectively. In addition, to the extent that the Issuer receives proceeds of a repayment in respect of a Revolving Loan (except to the extent of any concurrent commitment reduction) at any time, the Trustee shall deposit the proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account.

Upon the sale of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan in whole or in part or the reduction in part or termination of the Issuer’s commitment thereunder, an amount on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, as the case may be, specified by the Servicer as being equal to (i) the unfunded amount of the commitment (in the case of a sale in whole or a termination of the commitment), (ii) the proportionate amount of the amount on deposit (in the case of a sale in part) or (iii) the amount by which the commitment is reduced (in the case of a reduction thereof in part), shall be transferred by the Trustee to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds.

Amounts on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account will be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) not later than the Business Day after the date of their purchase. All interest and other income from amounts in the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account under the Indenture shall be considered Interest Proceeds in the Due Period in which they are so deposited.

*Synthetic Security Collateral Account.* On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Synthetic Security the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the non-interest bearing trust account established for Synthetic Security Collateral (the “**Synthetic Security Collateral Account**”) with respect to the Synthetic Security. All Synthetic Security Collateral posted by any Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Synthetic Security shall be immediately deposited into the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Synthetic Security. On each day on which amounts are payable to the Issuer out of Synthetic Security Collateral, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to withdraw amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in an amount sufficient to make the payment (including any total or partial release of Synthetic Security Collateral). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be:

- (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty to the Issuer under a Synthetic Security if the Synthetic Security becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the Synthetic Security upon any “event of default”

under and as defined in the terms of the Synthetic Security, including liquidating the related Synthetic Security Collateral Account; or

- (ii) to return the Synthetic Security Collateral to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty when and as required by the terms of the Synthetic Security, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account will be held in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities not later than one Business Day after their purchase, as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions), and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Class A-1B Funding Account.* Any Aggregate Undrawn Amount deposited with the Trustee as a result of the failure of a Holder of a Class A-1B Note to satisfy the Rating Criteria during the Delayed Drawdown Period shall be placed in a separate subaccount of the “**Class A-1B Funding Account**” relating to such Holder and shall be used by the Trustee to fund such holder’s *pro rata* portion of any subsequent Drawdown under the Class A-1B Notes. Amounts so placed in the Class A-1B Funding Account shall, for all purposes under the Indenture, be part of the Aggregate Undrawn Amount and such Holder shall be entitled to receive the applicable Delayed Drawdown Fee thereon. During the Delayed Drawdown Period, amounts held in each subaccount of the Class A-1B Funding Account shall be invested in Eligible Investments at the direction of the related Holder or, in the absence of such direction, in standby investments as set forth in the Indenture. Amounts in the Class A-1B Funding Account as of the Business Day prior to the first Payment Date will be automatically converted to constitute Drawn Amounts under the related Class A-1B Notes; provided that to the extent the amount in the Class A-1B Funding Account exceeds the related Holder’s *pro rata* share of the Fully Drawn Amount, such excess shall be remitted to such Holder on the first Payment Date.

*Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.* The Trustee will deposit all collateral received from a Hedge Counterparty under any Hedge Agreement into the “**Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.**” The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account will be (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer under a Hedge Agreement if the Hedge Agreement becomes subject to early termination or (ii) to return collateral to the relevant Hedge Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Hedge Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer. Amounts on deposit in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account will be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Closing Date Expense Account.* Amounts deposited in the “**Closing Date Expense Account**” on the Closing Date will be withdrawn to pay certain administrative expenses of the Co-Issuers. On the Payment Date in May 2007, the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds and close the Closing Date Expense Account. Amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account shall be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the second Payment Date as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Expense Reimbursement Account.* On any Payment Date and on any date between Payment Dates, the Trustee will apply amounts, if any, in the “**Expense Reimbursement Account**” to the payment of Administrative Expenses that must be paid between Payment Dates or that are due on that Payment

Date under clause (1) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” and the Trustee shall on any Payment Date transfer to the Expense Reimbursement Account an amount equal to the excess, if any of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts due under clause (1) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” to the Expense Reimbursement Account in accordance with clause (2) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.” Amounts on deposit in the Expense Reimbursement Account shall be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions), no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date.

*Securities Lending Account.* The Trustee will deposit all Securities Lending Collateral posted by any Securities Lending Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Securities Lending Agreement in a non-interest bearing trust account (the “Securities Lending Account”). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Securities Lending Account will be (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty to the Issuer under a Securities Lending Agreement if the Securities Lending Agreement becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the Securities Lending Agreement upon any “event of default” under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement, including liquidating the related Securities Lending Collateral or (ii) to return collateral to the Securities Lending Counterparty when and as required by a Securities Lending Agreement. Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the loaned security or asset that relates to the Securities Lending Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer.

*Payment Account.* The Trustee will deposit collateral into the “**Payment Account**,” over which the Trustee will have exclusive control and sole right of withdrawal, in accordance with the Indenture. All assets or securities at any time on deposit in or otherwise to the credit of the Payment Account will be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer, and each Hedge Counterparty. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Payment Account shall be to pay amounts due and payable on the Notes and to pay Administrative Expenses and other amounts specified in the Indenture, each in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

*Interest Reserve Account.* Amounts deposited in the “**Interest Reserve Account**,” on the Closing Date will be withdrawn (i) to pay amounts necessary such that the amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (19) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” will be paid in full on the Payment Date occurring in May 2007 or (ii) at any time, to be transferred at the discretion of the Servicer to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds. On the Payment Date in May 2007, the Trustee will transfer all funds on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds and close the Interest Reserve Account. Amounts on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account will be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions), no later than the Business Day before the second Payment Date.

*Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account.* On each Payment Date, to the extent of available funds in accordance with the Priority of Payments, the Trustee will pay to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for deposit into the “**Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account**” amounts equal to the products of (a) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date and (b) on any Payment Date occurring on or before February 3, 2008 or with respect to which the Servicer has notified the Trustee on or before the related Determination Date that it is waiving its Servicing Fee, the Servicing

Fees then due and payable, as described in “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments,” for payment to the Servicer on such Payment Date. The Servicer has agreed to waive such amounts, which would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as Servicing Fees, on each Payment Date occurring on or before February 3, 2008 and an amount equal to such waived amounts will be distributed by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares, subject to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the laws of the Cayman Islands, as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. After the two-year anniversary of the Closing Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

*Synthetic Security Counterparty Account.* To the extent that any Synthetic Security requires the Issuer to secure its obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty or to the extent that any Synthetic Security has an unfunded amount payable by the Issuer that does not by its terms require collateral, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee and the Trustee shall establish a segregated non-interest bearing trust account (the “**Synthetic Security Counterparty Account**”) for the Synthetic Security which shall be held in trust for the benefit of the related Synthetic Security Counterparty and over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and the Indenture. In the alternative, a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account may be established with a trustee designated by the Synthetic Security Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that trustee would qualify to be a successor trustee under the Indenture and the account satisfies the other requirements of a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account under the Indenture.

As directed in writing by the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit (or deliver for deposit) into each Synthetic Security Counterparty Account all amounts or securities that are required to secure the obligations of the Issuer in accordance with the related Synthetic Security and, without duplication, an amount equal to the unfunded amount of a Synthetic Security, including the entire notional amount of any Synthetic Security in the form of a credit default swap or other similar transaction. The Servicer shall direct any such deposit only during the Replacement Period and only to the extent that monies are available for the purchase of Collateral Obligations pursuant to the Indenture. Any income received on amounts in the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall, after application in accordance with the relevant Synthetic Security, be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Interest Proceeds.

As directed by the Servicer in writing and in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and the Indenture, amounts on deposit in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in Synthetic Security Collateral.

In connection with the occurrence of a credit event or an event of default or a termination event (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security) under the related Synthetic Security, amounts in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be withdrawn by the Trustee (or the Trustee shall request their withdrawal) and applied toward the payment of any amounts payable by the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the Synthetic Security, as directed by the Servicer in writing. Any excess amounts held in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, or held directly by a Synthetic Security Counterparty, after payment of all amounts owing from the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the related Synthetic Security shall be withdrawn

from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Principal Proceeds.

Amounts on deposit in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the Synthetic Security that relates to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer (with the notional amount as the Principal Balance unless a default exists under the applicable Synthetic Security).

### **Hedge Agreements**

At any time and from time to time on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer and with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, shall enter into the Hedge Agreements and will assign its rights (but none of its obligations) under the Hedge Agreements to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture and the collateral assignment of Hedge Agreements. The Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, will obtain the approval of each new Hedge Agreement from each Hedge Counterparty to a then-existing Hedge Agreement. The Trustee will, on behalf of the Issuer and in accordance with the Valuation Report, pay amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements on any Payment Date from available funds in the Collection Account in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Each Hedge Counterparty will be required to have (i) a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "Aa3" (which rating of "A1" is not on credit watch for a possible downgrade) or higher if the Hedge Counterparty has only a long-term rating; or a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "A2" (which rating of "A2" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) or higher and a debt rating by Moody's for short-term debt of "P-1" (which rating of "P-1" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) if the Hedge Counterparty has both long-term and short-term ratings and (ii) a short-term debt rating by S&P of not less than "A-1" or, if the Hedge Counterparty does not have a short-term debt rating by S&P, a long-term debt rating of not less than "A+" (the "**Required Rating**").

If at any time a Hedge Counterparty has:

- (A) no short-term Moody's rating and a long-term Moody's rating and that rating is below "A1" or is "A1" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's; or
- (B) both a short-term and long-term Moody's rating; and either:
  - (i) the long-term Moody's rating is below "A2" or that rating is "A2" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's, or
  - (ii) the short-term Moody's rating is below "P-1" or that rating is "P-1" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's;

then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within 30 Business Days, either:

- (i) post collateral on at least a weekly basis with the Trustee to secure the Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement, in an amount and of the type sufficient to equal the First Trigger Collateral Amount for such type of hedge;

- (ii) obtain a guarantor whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the above criteria; or
- (iii) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the above criteria;

*provided* that the failure to take any such steps set forth under paragraphs (i) through (iii) above shall be treated as an "Additional Termination Event" under such Hedge Agreement.

If at any time the Hedge Counterparty has:

- (A) no short-term Moody's rating and a long-term Moody's rating that is "Baa1" or below or has been suspended or withdrawn;
- (B) both a short-term and long-term Moody's rating; and either:
  - (i) the long-term Moody's rating is "Baa1" or below or is suspended or withdrawn; or
  - (ii) the short-term Moody's rating is "P-3" or below; or
- (C) a short-term debt rating by S&P below "A-1" or, if the Hedge Counterparty has no short-term rating by S&P, a long-term rating by S&P below "A+" or that has been suspended or withdrawn;

then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within 30 Business Days, either:

- (i) obtain a guarantor that has a Required Rating and that will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P with respect to its appointment; or
- (ii) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has a Required Rating and the appointment of which will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P;

*provided* that failure to take any such steps set forth under paragraphs (i) and (ii) above shall be treated as an "Additional Termination Event" under such Hedge Agreement. Until the Hedge Counterparty complies with paragraphs (i) or (ii) above (when applicable), such Hedge Counterparty shall post collateral on at least a weekly basis as required by the Hedge Agreement to secure the Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement in an amount and of the type sufficient (A) to cause the Rating Condition with respect to S&P to be satisfied and (B) equal to the Second Trigger Collateral Amount for such type of hedge; *provided* that the Hedge Counterparty shall, at the time such collateral is first posted, deliver to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Rating Agencies an opinion of counsel of nationally recognized standing in the jurisdiction in which the Hedge Counterparty is incorporated confirming that such collateral will be available in a timely manner upon a bankruptcy of the Hedge Counterparty.



Whenever the Issuer enters into a Hedge Agreement, the Hedge Counterparty thereto shall comply with the then currently applicable rating criteria published by each Rating Agency from time to time.

If at any time the Hedge Counterparty has a long-term unsecured debt rating by S&P below "BBB-," then the Hedge Counterparty will be required to replace itself within 10 days under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has a Required Rating and the appointment of which will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P; *provided* that failure to do so shall be treated as an "Additional Termination Event" under such Hedge Agreement.

Any payments required to be made under the Hedge Agreements shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments shall be subordinate to interest and principal payments on the Notes and any other payments required to be made by the Issuer under the Hedge Agreements, but senior to distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Indenture.

Unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is otherwise satisfied, following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall promptly (but no later than 60 days after the early termination), at the expense of the Hedge Counterparty and to the extent possible through Hedge Termination Receipts, enter into a replacement hedge, unless, in the exercise of the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment, to do so would not be in the best interest of the Issuer and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to not entering into a replacement hedge. In addition, a replacement hedge may not be entered into unless the Issuer provides the Rating Agencies with at least seven Business Days' prior written notice of its intention to enter into a replacement hedge, together with its form and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the replacement hedge. The Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than a termination resulting from the bankruptcy, insolvency, or similar event with respect to the Hedge Counterparty) to become effective simultaneously with its entering into a replacement hedge. To the extent that (i) the Servicer determines not to replace the Hedge Agreement and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the determination; or (ii) termination is occurring on a Redemption Date, the Hedge Termination Receipts shall become part of Principal Proceeds and be distributed in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the next following Payment Date (or on the Redemption Date, if the Notes are redeemed on the Redemption Date).

The notional amounts of the Hedge Agreements outstanding at any time may be reduced or increased from time to time, by the Issuer, and the Hedge Agreements may be amended, modified, or terminated in accordance with the Hedge Agreements if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the reduction, increase, amendment, modification, or termination, as the case may be.

Each Hedge Agreement may be terminated pursuant to its terms upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes or an acceleration of maturity of the Notes after an Event of Default. The Hedge Agreement will not be permitted to be terminated as the result of a Default or Event of Default unless any acceleration of maturity of the Notes resulting from the Event of Default is no longer permitted to be rescinded pursuant to the Indenture.

Except for Hedge Agreements entered into on or before the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied.

## Securities Lending

The Indenture permits the Issuer to engage in a limited number of securities lending transactions as described below.

The Servicer may instruct the Trustee to cause Collateral Obligations that are not Defaulted Collateral Obligations to be lent for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) having long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or guarantors with ratings of at least “A1” (and not “A1” but on credit watch with negative implications) and “P-1” (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody’s and a short-term debt rating of at least “A-1” and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least “A” from S&P (each, a “**Securities Lending Counterparty**”) pursuant to one or more agreements (each, a “**Securities Lending Agreement**”); *provided* that Collateral Obligations the Market Value of which cannot be determined under clause (i), (ii) or (iii) of that definition may not be lent pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement. Upon receipt of an Issuer Order, the Trustee shall release any lent Collateral Obligations to a Securities Lending Counterparty as directed by the Servicer. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Placement Agent or Affiliates of the Servicer. The duration of any Securities Lending Agreement shall not exceed the Stated Maturity of the Notes. Collateral Obligations representing no more than 15% (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of the Maximum Amount may be loaned pursuant to Securities Lending Agreements at any time.

Each Securities Lending Agreement shall be on market terms as determined by the Servicer (except to the extent specified in the Indenture) and shall:

- (i) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty return to the Issuer debt obligations that are identical (in terms of issue and class) to the lent Collateral Obligations;
- (ii) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty pay to the Issuer amounts equivalent to all interest and other payments that the owner of the lent Collateral Obligation is entitled to for the period during which the Collateral Obligation is lent and require that any such payments not be subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the Securities Lending Counterparty is required under the Securities Lending Agreement to make “gross-up” payments to the Issuer that cover the full amount of the withholding tax on an after-tax basis;
- (iii) require that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency shall be satisfied with respect to the execution of the Securities Lending Agreement;
- (iv) satisfy any other requirements of Section 1058 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated under it;
- (v) be governed by the laws of New York;
- (vi) permit the Issuer to assign its rights under the Securities Lending Agreement to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture;
- (vii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Collateral Obligation becomes a Credit Risk Obligation or is subject to redemption in accordance with its terms;

- (viii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty upon any redemption of the Notes in whole;
- (ix) require the Securities Lending Counterparty to post with the Trustee collateral consisting of cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the Securities Lending Agreement to secure its obligation to return the Collateral Obligations or in the alternative post that collateral with a custodian for the benefit of the Issuer designated by the Securities Lending Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that custodian would qualify to be a successor trustee under the Indenture;
- (x) provide that the Securities Lending Collateral shall be maintained at all times in an amount equal to at least 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value (determined daily and monitored by the Servicer) of the lent Collateral Obligations and if securities are delivered to the Trustee as security for the obligations of the Securities Lending Counterparty under the related Securities Lending Agreement, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will negotiate with the Securities Lending Counterparty a rate for the loan fee to be paid to the Issuer for lending the lent Collateral Obligations;
- (xi) the lent Collateral Obligations shall be marked-to-market on a daily basis by the Servicer on the basis of their Market Value;
- (xii) the Collateral will include the Issuer's rights under the related Securities Lending Agreement rather than the loaned Collateral Obligation;
- (xiii) provide for early termination within 10 days at the option of the Issuer and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Securities Lending Counterparty is no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty and the noncompliance is not cured as provided in the Indenture; and
- (xiv) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Securities Lending Counterparty) equivalent (mutatis mutandis) to those in the Indenture.

In addition, each Securities Lending Agreement must provide that if either Moody's or S&P downgrades a Securities Lending Counterparty such that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party are no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty, then the Issuer, within 10 days of the downgrade, shall (i) terminate its Securities Lending Agreements with the Securities Lending Counterparty unless a guarantor for the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements has been obtained; or (ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations lent to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty so that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party, together with all other Securities Lending Agreements, are in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of Securities Lending Counterparties; or (iii) take any other steps Moody's or S&P may require to cause the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party to be treated by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, as if the obligations were owed by a counterparty having a rating at least equivalent to

the rating that was assigned by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty before its being downgraded.

The Servicer shall instruct the Trustee in writing with respect to the administration of any Securities Lending Agreement (including with respect to any default and the exercise of rights under it). The Trustee shall not have any responsibility for evaluating the sufficiency, validity, or acceptability of any Securities Lending Agreement or for the qualifications or eligibility of any Securities Lending Counterparty. Nothing in the Indenture shall be construed to cause the Trustee to have any fiduciary duties to any Securities Lending Counterparty.

So long as any Collateral Obligation is on loan pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement, (a) the Trustee shall have no liability for any failure or inability on its part to receive any information or take any action with respect to the Collateral Obligation because of its being on loan (including any failure to take action with respect to a notice of redemption, consent solicitation, exchange or tender offer, or similar corporate action) and (b) the loaned Collateral Obligations shall not be disqualified for return to the Trustee as a Collateral Obligation by any change in circumstance or status during the time while on loan (including any change that would cause the Collateral Obligation to be ineligible for purchase by the Issuer under the Indenture if applied to a proposed purchase of it in the open market at the time of its return from loan).

### **MATURITY AND PREPAYMENT CONSIDERATIONS**

The Stated Maturity of each Class of Notes will be February 1, 2022 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date; *however*, the principal of each Class of the Notes is expected to be paid in full prior to its Stated Maturity (or Extended Stated Maturity Date, as applicable). Average life refers to the average amount of time that will elapse from the date of delivery of a security until each dollar of the principal of such security will be paid to the investor. The average lives of the Notes will be determined by the amount and frequency of principal payments, which are dependent upon, among other things, the amount of sinking fund payments and any other payments received at or in advance of the scheduled maturity of Collateral Obligations (whether through sale, maturity, redemption, default or other liquidation or disposition).

The actual performance of the Securities will also be affected by the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral Obligations and the characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, including the interest rate or other rate of distribution, the actual default rate and actual losses sustained, the existence and frequency of exercise of any prepayment, optional redemption, or sinking fund features and any related premium, the prevailing level of interest rates, any sales of Collateral Obligations, and any unique risks of the Collateral Obligations. Any disposition of a Collateral Obligation may change the composition and characteristics of the portfolio of Collateral Obligations and their rate of payment, and, accordingly, may affect the actual performance of each respective Class of Securities. The ability of the Issuer to apply any Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds in the manner described under "Security for the Notes" will also affect the performance of the Securities. Redemptions will also affect the performance of the Securities.

### **THE SERVICER**

The information appearing in this section has been prepared by the Servicer and has not been independently verified by the Co-Issuers or the Placement Agent. Accordingly, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, neither the Co-Issuers nor the Placement Agent assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or applicability of such information.

## **General**

Based in Dallas, Texas, Highland Capital is a registered investment adviser specializing in below investment-grade credit and special situation investing. As of August 31, 2006, Highland Capital managed over U.S.\$31 billion in leveraged loans, high-yield bonds, structured products and other assets for banks, insurance companies, pension plans, foundations and high net worth individuals.

Highland Capital manages or services these assets through a variety of fund structures including separate accounts, CDOs, hedge funds and mutual funds. As of March 31, 2006, Highland Capital invested in approximately 1,200 below investment grade and credit sensitive credit positions, and Highland Capital's 78 person credit team followed approximately 1,400 below investment grade and credit sensitive credit positions across over 36 industries. Highland Capital or an Affiliate or predecessor thereof has been an SEC-registered investment adviser since April 1993.

## **Philosophy and Process**

Highland Capital has a large range and depth of experience. It has expertise in the fields of syndicated loans, high-yield bonds, and distressed assets. Highland Capital believes it is in a position to maximize the spread differential between the yields on underlying collateral and the cost of financing. In addition, Highland Capital seeks to construct portfolios to (a) maximize relative value based on its credit views and (b) maximize diversification in order to minimize the effect of isolated credit events on the overall portfolio, utilizing Highland Capital's infrastructure to minimize defaults of underlying assets and to maximize recoveries in the case of defaults. Highland Capital has invested over U.S.\$500 million of firm capital in its funds and expects that HFP, an Affiliate of the Servicer, and/or one or more of HFP's subsidiaries will on the Closing Date purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares.

Highland Capital believes that its disciplined selection process minimizes a portfolio's risk and that its analysis seeks to maximize yield spread while limiting downside risk. Portfolio managers actively follow each credit and several times each year the entire staff reviews all positions during multi-day monitoring meetings. Highland Capital diversifies its portfolios with set limits on exposure to any one given industry or issuer. Highland Capital believes that this philosophy and selection process has resulted in positive returns on its underlying loan portfolio and consistent out performance relative to its indices.

Highland Capital focuses on a "team" approach that it has used since 1990. It is Highland Capital management's belief that this style creates the optimum environment for the exchange of information and the development of all asset management professionals. All aspects of the selection, monitoring and servicing process are coordinated through the senior asset portfolio managers' direct interaction. A committee of senior portfolio managers and analysts, Highland Capital's Chief Investment Officer and its Head of Structured Products meets every morning to discuss the status of the credits. Collectively, the committee utilizes a selection and monitoring process which is driven by fundamental credit research. Each portfolio manager/analyst makes specific credit recommendations based upon industry coverage. The credit recommendation is then brought to the committee for consideration. Based upon the consensus decision, the portfolio manager with the recommendation will direct Highland traders to execute the trade. Highland Capital has also provided its committee with a strong commitment to technology. The firm developed Wall Street Office® which is a proprietary software system that allows Highland Capital to model, portfolio manage, and trade syndicated loans. This software has been licensed to more than 70 financial institutions that acquire syndicated loans.

## **Professionals of the Servicer**

Set forth below is information regarding certain persons who are currently employed by the Servicer. Such persons may not necessarily continue to be so employed during the entire term of the Servicing Agreement.

### **Senior Management**

#### ***James Dondero, CFA, CPA, CMA – Managing Partner, President***

Mr. Dondero is a Founder and President of Highland Capital. Formerly, Mr. Dondero served as Chief Investment Officer of Protective Life's GIC subsidiary and helped grow the business from concept to over U.S.\$2 billion between 1989 to 1993. His portfolio management experience includes mortgage-backed securities, investment-grade corporates, leveraged bank loans, emerging markets, derivatives, preferred stocks and common stocks. From 1985 to 1989, he managed approximately U.S.\$1 billion in fixed income funds for American Express. Prior to joining American Express, he completed the financial training at Morgan Guaranty Trust Company. Mr. Dondero is a Beta Gamma Sigma graduate of the University of Virginia, 1984 with degrees in Accounting and Finance. Mr. Dondero is a Certified Public Accountant, Chartered Financial Analyst and a Certified Management Accountant.

#### ***Mark Okada, CFA – Managing Partner, Chief Investment Officer***

Mr. Okada is a Founder and Chief Investment Officer of Highland Capital. He is responsible for overseeing Highland Capital's investment and servicing activities for its various funds and has over 19 years of experience in the leveraged finance market. Formerly, Mr. Okada served as Manager of Fixed Income for Protective Life's GIC subsidiary from 1990 to 1993. He was primarily responsible for the bank loan portfolio and other risk assets. Protective was one of the first non-bank entrants into the syndicated loan market. From 1986 to 1990, he served as Vice President for Hibernia National Bank, managing over U.S.\$1 billion of high-yield bank loans. Mr. Okada is an honors graduate of the University of California Los Angeles with degrees in Economics and Psychology. He completed his credit training at Mitsui and is a Chartered Financial Analyst. Mr. Okada is also Chairman of the Board of Directors of Common Grace Ministries Inc.

#### ***Todd Travers, CFA – Head of Structured Products, Senior Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Travers is responsible for Highland Capital's CDO business and is the primary portfolio manager for Highland Capital's par debt funds. He is a member of the Credit Committee and heads a team that is responsible for structuring new transactions and implementing additional opportunities in Highland Capital's core businesses. Formerly, Mr. Travers served as Portfolio Manager/Portfolio Analyst from 1994 to 1998 for Highland Capital. In 1999, he was promoted to Senior Portfolio Manager and his duties were expanded beyond sector portfolio management to include the origination, structuring and issuance of new structured vehicles, including all structured vehicles since Highland Loan Funding V Ltd. and Restoration Funding Ltd. His prior responsibilities included managing a portion of Highland Capital's leveraged loan and high-yield debt portfolios with an emphasis on technology and aviation transactions. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Travers was a Finance Manager at American Airlines. Mr. Travers is a graduate of Iowa State University with a BS in Industrial Engineering. He received his MBA with an emphasis in Finance from Southern Methodist University. Mr. Travers is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

## Traders

### ***Brad Borud – Senior Trader and Co-Director Portfolio Management***

Mr. Borud is a Senior Trader of leveraged loans and high-yield bonds. Prior to his current duties, Mr. Borud served as a Portfolio Analyst for Highland Capital from 1996 to 1998. From 1998 to 2003, Mr. Borud was a Portfolio Manager covering a wide range of industries, including Wireline Telecommunications, Wireless Telecommunications, Telecommunication Equipment Manufacturers, Multi-channel Video, and Media. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Borud worked as a Global Finance Analyst in the Corporate Finance Group at NationsBank from 1995 to 1996 where he was involved in the originating, structuring, modeling, and credit analysis of leveraged transactions for large corporate accounts in the Southwest portion of the United States. During 1994, Mr. Borud also served at Conseco Capital Management as an Analyst Intern in the Fixed Income Research Department following the Transportation and Energy sectors. He has a BS in Business Finance from Indiana University.

### ***Paul Kauffman, CFA, CPA – Senior Trader and Co-Director of Portfolio Management***

Mr. Kauffman is a Senior Trader for loan and high-yield credit products. He joined Highland Capital in 1998 as a Portfolio Analyst and was a Portfolio Manager prior to moving into his current role. At Highland Capital, Paul has followed a variety of industries, including Paper & Packaging, General Industrials, Metals, and the Automotive sector. Prior to Highland Capital, Mr. Kauffman spent four years in the public accounting industry, including two and a half years at KPMG Peat Marwick. At KPMG, Mr. Kauffman gained audit experience in a wide range of industries, with particular focus on the Energy and Cable industries. He was the Supervising Senior Accountant on one of the Dallas offices' largest clients. He received a BBA in Accounting from Baylor University and an MBA from Duke University. Mr. Kauffman is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

## Senior Portfolio Managers

### ***Patrick H. Daugherty – Senior Distressed Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Daugherty is a Senior Portfolio Manager and General Counsel at Highland Capital. He is co-head of the Distressed Group where he is responsible for managing the sourcing, investing, and monitoring process. In addition, he serves as head manager of the Private Equity Group and is responsible for all portfolio companies. Prior to joining Highland Capital in early 1998, Mr. Daugherty served as Vice President in the Corporate Finance Group at NationsBanc Capital Markets, Inc. (now Bank of America Capital Markets, Inc.) where he originated and structured leveraged transactions for a U.S.\$2.5 billion portfolio of mid-cap companies located in the Southwest. Prior to joining Bank of America, Mr. Daugherty was an Associate with the law firm of Baker, Brown, Sharman and Parker in Houston, Texas where he represented banks and financial institutions in the liquidation of various RTC portfolios. Mr. Daugherty has over 15 years of experience in distressed, high-yield and corporate restructuring. He has been involved in over 100 bankruptcy situations and held steering committee positions in over 35 cases. Mr. Daugherty currently serves on the Board of Directors of Norse Merchant Group and its affiliates, Ferrimorac Holdings Limited, Nexpak Corporation and its affiliates (as Chairman), Moll Industries and its affiliates (as Chairman), and is a former board member of Mariner Health Care, Inc. He received a BBA in Finance from The University of Texas at Austin and a Juris Doctorate from The University of Houston School of Law. Mr. Daugherty's professional certifications include membership in the Texas Bar Association and admittance to the American Bar Association in 1992.

**John Morgan, CFA – Senior Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Morgan is a Senior Portfolio Manager covering the Retail, Food & Drug, and Restaurant & Lodging sectors. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Morgan served as Portfolio Analyst for Falcon Fund Management, LTD from August 1995-February 2000. There he created comparables to assess the attractiveness of companies within industries and across the portfolio. He assisted the portfolio manager in the security selection process and management of the portfolio. Prior to Falcon, he was an Analyst for a Convertible Arbitrage Fund at Q Investments. His primary responsibility included analyzing financial statements and related corporate disclosures and performing analysis on potential investment opportunities. He received both a BS in Biological Sciences and an MBA from Southern Methodist University.

**Kurtis S. Plumer, CFA – Senior Distressed Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Plumer is co-head of the Distressed Group at Highland Capital and is responsible for managing the sourcing and monitoring process. He has over 14 years of experience in distressed, high-yield bond and leveraged loan products. Prior to joining Highland Capital in 1999, Mr. Plumer was a distressed high-yield bond trader at Lehman Brothers in New York, where he managed a U.S.\$250 million portfolio invested in global distressed securities. While at Lehman, he also traded emerging market sovereign bonds. Prior to joining Lehman Brothers, Mr. Plumer was a corporate finance banker at NationsBanc Capital Markets, Inc. (now Bank of America Capital Markets, Inc.) where he focused on M&A and financing transactions for the bank's clients. Mr. Plumer earned a BBA in Economics and Finance from Baylor University and an MBA in Strategy and Finance from the Kellogg School at Northwestern University. Mr. Plumer is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

**David Walls, CFA – Senior Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Walls is a Senior Portfolio Manager with oversight of the Cable, Wireless/Wireline Telecom, Satellite, Aerospace/Defense and Equipment Rental sectors. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Walls worked for Lend Lease Real Estate Investments as an Associate in their Asset Management unit underwriting and structuring acquisitions of bulk portfolios of distressed Korean real estate and corporate debt. Before his international responsibilities at Lend Lease, Mr. Walls performed loan workouts on a domestic portfolio of sub- and non-performing real estate secured assets. Prior to Lend Lease, Mr. Walls worked at U.S. Trust Company of California as an Assistant Vice President, Junior Portfolio Manager in their Fixed Income Portfolio Management group and for Capital Research & Management Company as a fixed income trader. He holds a BA in Economics from Northwestern University and an MBA in Finance and Marketing from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University. Mr. Walls is a member of AIMR and DAIA. Mr. Walls is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

**Joe Dougherty, CFA, CPA – Senior Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Dougherty is a Senior Portfolio Manager. Additionally, Mr. Dougherty heads Highland Capital's retail funds business unit ("Highland Funds") and serves as Senior Vice President and Director of the Firm's two NYSE-listed bond funds, which invest in both investment grade and high-yield debt. Additionally, Mr. Dougherty serves as Senior Vice President and Director of the Firm's two 1940 Act Registered floating rate funds, which primarily invest in senior secured floating rate loans. In this capacity, Mr. Dougherty oversees investment decisions for the retail funds, alongside several other Portfolio Managers, and manages the team dedicated to their day-to-day administration. Prior to his current duties, Mr. Dougherty served as Portfolio Analyst for Highland from 1998 to 1999. As a Portfolio Analyst, Mr. Dougherty also helped follow companies within the Chemical, Retail, Supermarket



and Restaurant sectors. Prior to joining Highland, Mr. Dougherty served as an Investment Analyst with Sandera Capital Management from 1997 to 1998. Formerly, he was a Business Development Manager at Akzo Nobel from 1994 to 1996 and a Senior Accountant at Deloitte & Touche, LLP from 1992 to 1994. He received a BS in Accounting from Villanova University and an MBA from Southern Methodist University. Mr. Dougherty is a Chartered Financial Analyst and a Certified Public Accountant.

***Brett Pope, CFA – Senior Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Pope is a Senior Portfolio Manager covering the Healthcare, Financial Services, Building Products, and Metals & Mining sectors. Prior to joining Highland, Mr. Pope served as a Senior Equities Analyst in Healthcare at Street Advisor.com from 1999 to 2001. His experience also includes working as a Senior Research Analyst covering the Building Products and Financial Service sectors at Southwest Securities from 1996 to 1999. Prior to 1996, he served as a Senior Financial Analyst with Associates First Capital Corporation. Mr. Pope is a graduate of the University of Texas at Austin where he graduated Magna Cum Laude. Mr. Pope is a Chartered Financial Analyst.]

See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Servicer—The Issuer Will Depend on the Managerial Expertise Available to the Servicer and Its Key Personnel.”

## **THE SERVICING AGREEMENT**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Servicing Agreement. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the Servicing Agreement.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, and in accordance with the requirements set forth in the Indenture, the Servicer will select the portfolio of Collateral Obligations and will instruct the Trustee with respect to any acquisition, disposition or sale of a Collateral Obligation or an Eligible Investment. Neither the Placement Agent nor any Affiliate thereof will select any of the Collateral Obligations.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will monitor the Collateral Obligations and provide the Issuer with certain information received from the Collateral Administrator with respect to the composition and characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, any disposition or tender of a Collateral Obligation, the application of the proceeds of any such disposition to the purchase of Eligible Investments and with respect to the retention of the proceeds of any such disposition or the application thereof toward the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations. The Servicer will, and will be authorized to, negotiate, on behalf of the Issuer, with respect to all actions to be taken by the Issuer under any Hedge Agreements.

As compensation for the performance of its obligations as Servicer, the Servicer will be entitled to receive:

- (i) a fee (the “**Senior Servicing Fee**”) that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.30% per annum of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments (with the Senior Servicing Fee being calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months);
- (ii) an amount (the “**Subordinated Servicing Fee**”) payable on each Payment Date equal to the sum of (a) a fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears

on each Payment Date equal to 0.25% per annum of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments, (b) on any Payment Date that any part of the Senior Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period *plus* 3.00% per annum and (c) on any Payment Date that any part of the Subordinated Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period *plus* 3.00% per annum (with the portion of the Subordinated Servicing Fee or Senior Servicing Fee, as applicable, in clauses (a) through (c) above, as applicable, being calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months); and

- (iii) a fee (the “**Supplemental Servicing Fee**” and together with the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee, the “**Servicing Fee**”), if any, payable on each Payment Date to the Servicer in an amount equal to: (i) 20% of the remaining Interest Proceeds, if any, available after making the distributions on such Payment Date pursuant to clause (21) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” and (ii) 20% of the remaining Principal Proceeds, if any, available for payment in respect of the Supplemental Servicing Fee pursuant to clause (14)(A) and, if applicable, clause (15), in each case pursuant to “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

On each Payment Date, as and to the extent described under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments,” the Trustee will deposit the Class II Preference Share Portion of the Servicing Fees into the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account. The Servicer has agreed to waive such amounts, which would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as Servicing Fees, on each Payment Date occurring on or before February 3, 2008 and an amount equal to such waived amounts will be paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. After the Payment Date occurring in February, 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive the Class II Preference Share Portion of its Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments as described above. See “Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account.”

In addition, notwithstanding anything set out above, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion: (i) waive all or any portion of the Servicing Fee, any funds representing the waived Servicing Fees to be retained in the Collection Account for distribution as either Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds (as determined by the Servicer) pursuant to the Priority of Payments; or (ii) defer all or any portion of the Servicing Fee, any funds representing the deferred Servicing Fees to be retained in the Collection Account, when they will become payable in the same manner and priority as their original characterization would have required unless deferred again.

The Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, and its Affiliates and their directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, shall not be liable to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person for any losses, claims, damages, judgments, assessments, costs or other liabilities (collectively “**Liabilities**”) incurred by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person that arise out of or in connection with the

performance by the Servicer of its duties under the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture, except by reason of (i) acts or omissions constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, gross negligence or breach of fiduciary duty in the performance, or reckless disregard, of the obligations of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and under the terms of the Indenture applicable to it or (ii) with respect to any information included in this Offering Memorandum in the sections entitled “The Servicer” and “Risk Factors—Relating to Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer” that contains any untrue statement of material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) collectively being the “**Servicer Breaches**”). The Servicer will be liable for any non-waivable breaches of applicable securities laws.

The Issuer will indemnify and hold harmless the Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees (such parties collectively in such case, the “**Indemnified Parties**”) from and against any and all Liabilities, and shall reimburse each such Indemnified Party for all reasonable fees and expenses (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) (collectively, the “**Expenses**”) as such Expenses are incurred in investigating, preparing, pursuing or defending any claim, action, proceeding or investigation with respect to any pending or threatened litigation (collectively, the “**Actions**”), caused by, or arising out of or in connection with, the issuance of the Securities, the transactions contemplated by the Offering Memorandum, the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement, and/or any action taken by, or any failure to act by, such Indemnified Party; *provided, however*, that no Indemnified Party shall be indemnified for any Liabilities or Expenses it incurs as a result of any acts or omissions by any Indemnified Party constituting Servicer Breaches. Any such indemnification by the Issuer will be paid in accordance with, and subject to, the Priority of Payments.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will agree that on the Closing Date the Servicer and its Affiliates (other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries) will purchase from Investors Corp. Holding Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$10,000,000. Further, pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer and/or one or more of its Affiliates may purchase some or all of the Class D Notes on the Closing Date.

The Issuer may, at the request of the Servicer, enter into an amendment or modification of the Servicing Agreement from time to time, without the consent of the Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not the interests of the Holders of the Securities are adversely affected thereby; *provided that*, with respect to any such amendment or modification, (a) a Rating Condition is satisfied and (b) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares have not objected in writing to such amendment or modification prior to the relevant Objection Cut-Off Date (as defined below).

If at any time the Servicer desires to amend or modify the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will notify the Issuer and the Trustee, providing details of such proposed amendment or modification. Not later than five Business Days after receipt of such notice, the Trustee will mail such notice to (i) each Noteholder at such Holder’s address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as applicable, (ii) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), (iii) to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares) and (iv) to each Rating Agency. If any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes or any Holder of the Preference Shares notifies, by delivering a written notice to the Trustee within 35 days after the Trustee has mailed such notice, that it objects to such proposed amendment or modification, the Trustee will, within two Business Days after receiving such notice of objection, mail a notice of the receipt of such objection to the Issuer, the Servicer and other Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and other Holders of the Preference Shares. Each Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes and each Holder of the Preference Shares that also wishes to

object to such amendment or modification must, by delivering a written notice, so notify the Trustee within seven Business Days after the Trustee has mailed such notice of the receipt of such objection (the last day of such seven Business Day period, the “**Objection Cut-Off Date**”). If a Majority of either the Controlling Class of Notes or the Preference Shares notifies the Trustee in writing on or before the Objection Cut-Off Date that they object to the proposed amendment or modification to the Servicing Agreement, such amendment or modification will not be made.

The Servicing Agreement provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Servicer such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Servicer, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm’s-length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the Advisers Act. The Servicing Agreement also provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Servicer, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm’s-length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Advisers Act.

Subject to the provisions for a successor servicer discussed below, the Servicer may resign, upon 90 days’ written notice to the Issuer (or such shorter notice as is acceptable to the Issuer).

The Servicing Agreement will be terminated, and the Servicer will be removed, by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee (acting at the direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes)) or by a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares, in each case for “cause” upon 10 days’ prior written notice to the Servicer and upon written notice to the Holders of the Securities as set forth below. For purposes of determining “cause” with respect to any such termination of the Servicing Agreement, such term shall mean any one of the following events:

- (i) the Servicer willfully breaches in any respect, or takes any action that it knows violates in any respect, any provision of the Servicing Agreement or any terms of the Indenture applicable to it;
- (ii) the Servicer breaches in any material respect any provision of the Servicing Agreement or any terms of the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement applicable to it, or any representation, warranty, certification or statement given in writing by the Servicer shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or given, and the Servicer fails to cure such breach or take such action so that the facts (after giving effect to such action) conform in all material respects to such representation, warranty, certificate or statement, in each case within 30 days of becoming aware of, or receiving notice from, the Trustee of, such breach or materially incorrect representation, warranty, certificate or statement;
- (iii) certain events of bankruptcy or insolvency occur with respect to the Servicer;
- (iv) the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture that results from any breach by the Servicer of its duties under the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement, which breach or default is not cured within any applicable cure period; or

(v) (x) the occurrence of an act by the Servicer related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business that constitutes fraud, (y) the Servicer being indicted, or any of its principals being convicted, of a felony criminal offense related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business or (z) the Servicer being indicted for, adjudged liable in a civil suit for, or convicted of a violation of the Securities Act or any other United States Federal securities law or any rules or regulations thereunder.

No removal or resignation of the Servicer will be effective under the Servicing Agreement unless:

(i) (A) at the written direction of a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares, the Issuer appoints a successor servicer and such successor servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture and (B) the successor servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single Class);

(ii) if a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares has nominated two or more successor servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(B) or has failed to appoint a successor servicer that has not been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(B) within 60 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer, (A) the Issuer appoints a successor at the direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and such successor servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture and (B) such successor servicer is not object to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single Class); or

(iii) if a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and a Super Majority of the Controlling Class (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) has nominated two or more successor servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clauses (i)(B) or (ii)(B) or has otherwise failed to appoint a successor servicer that has not been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(B) or (ii)(B) within 120 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer, any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes), any Holder of Voting Preference Shares or the Trustee petitions a court of competent authority to appoint a successor servicer, such court appoints a successor servicer and such successor servicer agrees in writing to assume all of the retiring Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture.

Any successor servicer must be an established institution which (i) has demonstrated an ability to professionally and competently perform duties similar to those imposed upon the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, (ii) is legally qualified and has the capacity to act as Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, as successor to the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement in the assumption of all of the responsibilities, duties and obligations of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and under the applicable terms of the Indenture, (iii) shall not cause the Issuer or the pool of Collateral to become required to register under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, (iv) shall perform its duties as successor servicer under the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture without causing the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Holder of Preference Shares to become subject to tax in any jurisdiction where such successor servicer is established as doing business and (v) each Rating Agency has confirmed that the appointment of such successor servicer shall not cause its then-current rating of any Class of Notes to be

reduced or withdrawn. No compensation payable to a successor from payments on the Collateral shall be greater than that paid to the Servicer without the prior written consent of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes, a Majority of the Notes and a Majority of the Preference Shares.

The Servicing Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, cannot be delegated by the Servicer, in whole or in part, except to any entity that is both (i) controlled by all or any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers and (ii) one in which all of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers (or any Approved Replacement thereof) is involved in the day to day management and operations (and in any such case pursuant to an instrument of delegation in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer), without the prior written consent of the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and, notwithstanding any such consent, no delegation of obligations or duties by the Servicer (including, without limitation, to an entity described above) shall relieve the Servicer from any liability under the Servicing Agreement.

## THE CO-ISSUERS

### General

The Issuer was incorporated under the Companies Law (2004 Revision) of the Cayman Islands as an exempted company with limited liability on May 22, 2006 in the Cayman Islands under registration number MC-167738. The registered office of the Issuer is at the offices of Maples Finance Limited, PO Box 1093GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands. The Issuer's telephone number is (345) 945-7099. The Issuer has no prior operating experience (other than in connection with the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations during the Accumulation Period) and will not have any material assets other than (i) the Collateral pledged to secure the Secured Obligations, and (ii) U.S.\$500 (of which U.S.\$250 represents the issue of the Issuer's ordinary share capital and U.S.\$250 represents a fee for issuing the Securities).

The Co-Issuer was incorporated on December 6, 2006 under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (8 *Del. C.* § 101, *et seq.*), under registration number 4263138 as a corporation and has a perpetual existence. The registered office of the Co-Issuer is at c/o National Corporate Research Ltd., 615 South DuPont Highway, Dover, Delaware 19901. The Co-Issuer's telephone number is (302) 738-6680. The Co-Issuer has no prior operating history and will not have any material assets.

The Senior Notes are limited recourse obligations of the Co-Issuers. The Class D Notes are limited recourse obligations of the Issuer and the Preference Shares are equity interests only in the Issuer. The Securities are not obligations of the Trustee, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Servicer, the Placement Agent, the Administrator, the Holders of the Preference Shares, Maples Finance Cayman, as the share trustee (in such capacity, the "**Share Trustee**"), or any directors or officers of the Co-Issuers or any of their respective Affiliates.

At the Closing Date, the authorized share capital of the Issuer consists of 250 ordinary shares, U.S.\$1.00 par value per share (the "**Issuer Ordinary Shares**"), all of which will have been issued prior to the Closing Date, and 100,000 Preference Shares, U.S.\$0.01 par value per share, 71,400 of which will be issued on or about the Closing Date. The authorized common stock of the Co-Issuer consists of 1,000 shares of common stock, U.S.\$ 0.01 par value (the "**Co-Issuer Common Stock**"), all of which shares will be issued on or about the Closing Date. All of the outstanding Issuer Ordinary Shares and all of the Co-Issuer Common Stock will be held by the Share Trustee. For so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding, no transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares or Co-Issuer Common Stock to a U.S. Person shall be registered.

### **Investors Corp.**

On the Closing Date, Investors Corp. is expected to purchase all of the Class I Preference Shares and to finance such purchase by issuing the Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares purchased by it. The Holding Preference Shares will be offered by Investors Corp. to investors pursuant to the Investors Corp. Offering Memorandum and are not offered hereby. In case of any transfer of Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to Investors Corp., Investors Corp. is expected to purchase all of such Class I Preference Shares issued in place of the corresponding cancelled Class II Preference Shares and finance such purchase by issuing additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of such Class I Preference Shares purchased by it.

Investors Corp. will exercise its consent and voting rights, in its capacity as a Holder of the Class I Preference Shares, in accordance with the directions of the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares; *provided* that Holding Preference Shares held by the Servicer or any of its Affiliates will have no such right to direct Investors Corp. in connection with the removal of the Servicer for “cause” or the appointment of a replacement servicer. For purposes of calculating such consents or votes exercised with respect to the Class I Preference Shares held by Investors Corp., each consent or vote exercised with respect to a Holding Preference Share will count as one consent or vote exercised with respect to a Class I Preference Share held by Investors Corp., as applicable.

The Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares will be identical in all respects except that the Class II Preference Shares will also be entitled, subject to any restrictions under Cayman Islands law, to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments and will have voting rights with respect to the directors of the Issuer as described herein. In addition to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments payable on the Class II Preference Shares, regular dividends will be payable on the Class II Preference Shares and the Class I Preference Shares on each Payment Date in the amounts and in the priority described under the Priority of Payments; provided that, if and to the extent sufficient funds to pay such regular dividends in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Cayman Islands law are not available on any Payment Date, such unpaid regular dividends will cease to be payable on such Payment Date or any other date. Class II Preference Share Special Payments will be paid to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares on a *pro rata* basis according to the number of Class II Preference Shares held by each Holder. All other dividends and distributions in respect of the Preference Shares will be paid to the Holders of the Preference Shares on a *pro rata* basis according to the number of Preference Shares held by each Holder. Following the liquidation of the Collateral and the distribution of any available remaining funds following a redemption of the Notes and payment of all other obligations of the Co-Issuers (other than amounts payable by the Issuer to the Holders of the Preference Shares) or an Event of Default under the Indenture or otherwise, the Preference Shares will be redeemed, whether or not the Holders thereof receive any payments in respect of such redemption.

### **Capitalization**

The initial proposed capitalization of the Issuer as of the Closing Date after giving effect to the initial issuance of the Securities and the Issuer Ordinary Shares (before deducting expenses of the offering) is as set forth below.

	<u>Amount (U.S.\$)</u>
Class A-1A Notes .....	388,700,000
Class A-1B Notes .....	75,000,000
Class A-2 Notes .....	51,500,000
Class B Notes .....	68,600,000
Class C Notes .....	23,800,000
Class D Notes .....	21,000,000
Total Notes .....	628,600,000
Class I Preference Shares .....	34,400,000
Class II Preference Shares .....	37,000,000
Issuer Ordinary Shares .....	250
Total Equity .....	71,400,250
Total Capitalization .....	700,000,250

The Co-Issuer will (i) be capitalized only to the extent of its common equity of U.S.\$10, (ii) have no assets other than its equity capital and (iii) have no debt other than as Co-Issuer of the Senior Notes.

## **Business**

### *General*

The Issuer Charter provides that the objects for which the Issuer is established are unrestricted. Article III of the Co-Issuer's Certificate of Incorporation provides that the principal purpose of the Co-Issuer is the issuance of the Senior Notes and to engage in any activity and to exercise any powers permitted to corporations organized under Delaware Law, which are incidental to, or connected with, the foregoing and necessary, suitable or convenient to accomplish the foregoing.

### *The Issuer*

The Indenture provides that the activities of the Issuer are limited to the following:

- (i) acquisition and disposition of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments;
- (ii) entering into, and performing its obligations under, the Indenture, the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement, the Preference Share Documents, any Hedge Agreements, the Securities Lending Agreements, the Servicing Agreement, the Placement Agency Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Administration Agreement;
- (iii) the issuance and sale of the Securities and the Issuer Ordinary Shares;
- (iv) the pledge of the Collateral as security for its obligations in respect of the Notes and any Hedge Agreements;
- (v) entering into certain pre-closing warehousing arrangements and the agreements relating thereto; and
- (vi) undertaking certain other activities incidental to the foregoing.



### *The Co-Issuer*

The activities of the Co-Issuer are to be limited to the following:

- (i) the co-issuance and sale of the Senior Notes; and
- (ii) to engage in any activity and to exercise any powers permitted to corporations organized under Delaware Law, which are incidental to, or connected with, the foregoing and necessary, suitable or convenient to accomplish the foregoing.

### **Administration**

Maples Finance Limited (in such capacity, the “**Administrator**”), a Cayman Islands company, will act as the administrator of the Issuer, the Share Registrar and the Share Trustee. The office of the Administrator will serve as the principal office of the Issuer. Through this office and pursuant to the terms of an agreement by and between the Administrator and the Issuer (as amended, supplemented and modified from time to time) (the “**Administration Agreement**”), the Administrator will perform various administrative functions on behalf of the Issuer, including the provision of certain clerical and other services including acting as Share Registrar until termination of the Administration Agreement. In consideration of the foregoing, the Administrator will receive various fees and reimbursement of its expenses. Maples Finance Limited will also act as the administrator of Investors Corp. and the registrar and the trustee of the Holding Preference Shares.

The activities of the Administrator under the Administration Agreement will be subject to the overview of the Issuer’s Board of Directors. The Administration Agreement may be terminated by the Issuer upon 14 days written notice following the happening of certain events or upon 90 days’ written notice in all other cases. There is no requirement in the Administration Agreement for a replacement administrator to be appointed prior to the effectiveness of any withdrawal or termination of the Administrator under the Administration Agreement. Upon the earlier of the termination of the Administration Agreement or the dissolution of the Issuer, the Administrator shall cease to serve in such capacity.

The Administrator’s principal office is at PO Box 1093GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands.

### **Directors**

The Issuer will have two directors, each of whom will initially be an employee or officer of the Administrator or an Affiliate of the Administrator.

The initial directors of the Issuer, who are also the directors of Investors Corp., are Phillipa White and Chris Watler. Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may vote at any time to remove all (but not less than all) of the initial directors and appoint other directors who may be employees, officers or designees of the Servicer.

Directors of the Issuer may serve as directors of, and provide services to, other special purpose entities that issue collateralized obligations and perform other duties for the Administrator and the Servicer, as the case may be. They may be contacted at the address of the Administrator.

The director of the Co-Issuer is Donald Puglisi. Mr. Puglisi is also the President, Secretary and Treasurer of the Co-Issuer. Mr. Puglisi is MBNA America Professor of Business Emeritus at the

University of Delaware. Mr. Puglisi serves as a director of, and provides services to, a number of special purpose entities. He may be contacted at the principal address of the Co-Issuer: c/o Puglisi & Associates, 850 Library Avenue, Suite 204, Newark, Delaware 19711.

### **THE LOAN MARKET**

A substantial portion, by principal amount, of the Collateral Obligations is expected to consist of corporate loans rated below investment grade extended to U.S. and other non-U.S. borrowers. Such loans are typically negotiated by one or more commercial banks or other financial institutions and syndicated among a group of commercial banks and financial institutions.

Corporate loans are typically at the most senior level of the capital structure, and are often secured by specific collateral, including but not limited to, trademarks, patents, accounts receivable, inventory, equipment, buildings, real estate, franchises and common and preferred stock of the obligor and its subsidiaries. Some loans may be unsecured, subordinated to other obligations of the obligor and may have greater credit and liquidity risk than is typically associated with senior secured corporate loans. The corporate loans expected to secure the Notes are of a type generally incurred by the borrowers thereunder in connection with a highly leveraged transaction, often to finance internal growth, acquisitions, mergers, stock purchases, or for other reasons. As a result of the additional debt incurred by the borrower in the course of the transactions, the borrower's creditworthiness is often judged by the rating agencies to be below investment grade. In order to induce the banks and institutional investors to lend pursuant to a borrower's loan facility, and to offer a favorable interest rate, the borrower often provides the banks and institutional investors with extensive information about its business, which is not generally available to the public. Because of the provision of confidential information, the unique and customized nature of a loan agreement, and the private syndication of the loan, loans are not as easily purchased or sold as a publicly traded security, and historically the trading volume in the loan market has been small relative to the high-yield bond market.

Corporate loans often provide for restrictive covenants designed to limit the activities of the borrower in an effort to protect the right of lenders to receive timely payments of interest on and repayment of principal of the loans. Such covenants may include restrictions on dividend payments, specific mandatory minimum financial ratios, limits on total debt and other financial tests. A breach of covenant (after giving effect to any cure period) in a loan that is not waived by the lending syndicate normally is an event of acceleration that allows the syndicate to demand immediate repayment in full of the outstanding loan. Loans usually have shorter terms than more junior obligations and may require mandatory prepayments from excess cash flow, asset dispositions and offerings of debt and/or equity securities.

The majority of loans bear interest based on a floating rate index, e.g., LIBOR, the certificate of deposit rate, a prime or base rate (each as defined in the applicable loan agreement) or other index, which may reset daily (as most prime or base rate indices do) or offer the borrower a choice of one, two, three, six, nine or twelve month interest rate and rate reset periods. The purchaser of a loan may receive certain syndication or participation fees in connection with its purchase. Other fees payable in respect of a loan, which are separate from interest payments on such loan, may include facility, commitment, amendment and prepayment fees.

Purchasers of loans are predominantly investment and commercial banks, which have applied their experience in high-yield securities to the commercial and industrial loan market, acting as both principal and broker. The range of purchasers of loans has broadened to include money managers, insurance companies, arbitrageurs, bankruptcy investors and mutual funds seeking increased potential total returns and portfolio managers of trusts or special purpose companies issuing collateralized bond and

loan obligations. As secondary market trading volumes increase, new loans are frequently adopting more standardized documentation to facilitate loan trading that should improve market liquidity. There can be no assurance, however, that future levels of supply and demand in loan trading will provide the degree of liquidity that currently exists in the market.

### **PREVENTION OF MONEY LAUNDERING**

To ensure compliance with applicable statutory requirements relating to anti-money laundering and anti-terrorism initiatives, the Share Registrar, on behalf of the Issuer, will require verification of identity and source of funds from all prospective purchasers of the Preference Shares. Depending on the circumstances of each purchase, it may not always be necessary to obtain full documentary evidence of identity and/or source of funds where:

The purchaser is a licensed entity or financial institution regulated in a country recognized as having an adequate anti-money laundering regime<sup>1</sup>;

The purchaser is an entity or financial institution listed on the Cayman Islands or other approved stock exchange<sup>2</sup>; or

The funds have been paid from an account held in the name of the purchaser at a financial institution based in a country recognized as having an adequate anti-money laundering regime.

### **THE HIGH-YIELD DEBT SECURITIES MARKET**

A portion of the Collateral Obligations securing the Notes will consist of high-yield debt securities rated below investment grade and Synthetic Securities, the Reference Obligations of which are high-yield debt securities rated below investment grade. High-yield debt securities are generally unsecured, may be subordinated to other obligations of the obligor and generally have greater credit and liquidity risk than is typically associated with investment grade corporate obligations. The lower rating of high-yield debt securities reflects a greater possibility that adverse changes in the financial condition of the obligor or in general economic conditions (including a sustained period of rising interest rates or an economic downturn) may adversely affect the obligor's ability to pay principal and interest on its debt. Many issuers of high-yield debt obligations are highly leveraged, and specific developments affecting such issuers, including reduced cash flow from operations or inability to refinance at maturity, may also adversely affect such issuers' ability to meet their debt service obligations.

High-yield debt securities are often issued in connection with leveraged acquisitions or recapitalizations in which the issuers incur a substantially higher amount of indebtedness than the level at which they had previously operated. High-yield debt securities have historically experienced greater default rates than has been the case for investment grade securities. Although several studies have been made of historical default rates in the high-yield market, such studies do not necessarily provide a basis for drawing definitive conclusions with respect to default rates and, in any event, do not necessarily provide a basis for predicting future default rates.

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<sup>1</sup> The list of acceptable countries is: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bahamas, Bahrain, Barbados, Belgium, Bermuda, Brazil, British Virgin Islands, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Gibraltar, Greece, Guernsey, Hong Kong, Iceland, Ireland, Isle of Man, Israel, Italy, Japan, Jersey, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Malta, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Panama, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom and United States of America.

<sup>2</sup> A list of approved Stock Exchanges can be found under Appendix H of the Cayman Islands Money Laundering Regulations (as amended) which may be accessed on the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority website at [www.cimoney.com.ky](http://www.cimoney.com.ky).

## MATERIAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

### General

The following summary describes the principal U.S. federal income tax and Cayman Islands tax consequences that are expected to be applicable to the purchase, ownership and disposition of the Notes, but does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all the tax considerations that may be relevant to a decision to purchase the Notes. In particular, special tax considerations that may apply to certain types of taxpayers, including, without limitation, securities dealers, banks, financial institutions, partnerships, insurance companies, purchasers of Notes who did not acquire the Notes at the applicable “issue price” (defined below), and subsequent purchasers of the Notes, are not addressed. In addition, this summary does not describe any tax consequences resulting from or relating to the Preference Shares or any tax consequences arising under the laws of any state, locality or taxing jurisdiction other than the U.S. federal government and the Cayman Islands. In general, the summary assumes that a purchaser acquires a Note at original issuance and holds such Note as a capital asset and not as part of a hedge, straddle, or conversion transaction, within the meaning of section 1258 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”).

This summary is based on the U.S. and Cayman Islands tax laws, regulations, rulings and decisions in effect on the date of this Offering Memorandum. All of the foregoing are subject to change, which change may apply retroactively and could affect the continued validity of this summary.

Prospective purchasers of the Notes should note that no ruling from the Internal Revenue Service (the “IRS”) will be sought with respect to any tax matters discussed herein, and there can be no assurance that the IRS will agree with such statement and conclusions. Prospective purchasers of the Notes should consult their tax advisors as to U.S. federal income tax and Cayman Islands tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of the Notes and the possible application of state, local, foreign or other tax laws.

As used in this section, “Material Income Tax Considerations,” the term “**U.S. Holder**” means a beneficial owner of a Note who is a citizen or individual resident of the United States, a corporation (or any other entity treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes) created or organized in or under the laws of the United States, or an estate or trust (other than a “foreign estate” or a “foreign trust,” each as defined in the Code).

If a partnership (including any entity treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes) is a beneficial owner of the Notes, the U.S. federal income tax treatment of a partner in the partnership will generally depend on the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership.

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## U.S. Federal Income Taxation of the Issuer

*U.S. Federal Income Tax.* Although the Issuer will elect to be treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, there can be no assurance that it will not be treated as or become a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes. If the Issuer is treated as a partnership, the Issuer will not itself be subject to U.S. federal income tax. The following discussion assumes that the Issuer will be treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes at all times.

Section 864(b)(2) of the Code provides a specific exemption from U.S. federal income tax to non-U.S. persons which either (i) trade stocks or securities through a resident broker, commission agent, custodian or other independent agent or (ii) restrict their activities in the United States to trading in stocks and securities (and any other activity closely related thereto) for their own account, whether such trading (or such other activity) is by such person or its employees or through a resident broker, commission agent, custodian or other agent. This particular exemption described in clause (ii) above does not apply to foreign persons that are dealers in stocks and securities. Moreover, the Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service recently announced that they are considering taxpayer requests for specific guidance on, among other things, whether a foreign person may be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States by virtue of entering into credit default swaps. However, the Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service have not yet provided any guidance on whether they believe entering into credit default swaps may cause a foreign person to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States and if so, what facts and circumstances must be present for this conclusion to apply. If any future guidance concludes that foreign persons entering into certain credit default swaps will be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States, such guidance may adversely impact the Issuer.

Prior to the issuance of the Securities, the Issuer will receive an opinion from Tax Counsel based, in part, on the exemption described in the preceding paragraph to the effect that, although no activity closely comparable to that contemplated by the Issuer has been the subject of any Treasury regulation, revenue ruling or judicial decision and the matter is not free from doubt, assuming compliance with the Issuer's Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement and other related documents (collectively, the "**Documents**") by all parties thereto, the Issuer's permitted activities will not cause it to be treated as engaged in the conduct of a U.S. trade or business under the Code. Investors should note that gain or loss on a disposition by a foreign person of a United States real property interest may be subject to United States federal income tax even if the foreign person is otherwise not engaged in a U.S. trade or business. Because the determination of whether an asset constitutes a United States real property interest is made periodically, although the Issuer is prohibited from acquiring an asset that constitutes a United States real property interest, it is possible that an asset that was not a United States real property interest at the time such asset was acquired by the Issuer will become a United States real property interest after the asset is acquired. Because the Issuer may be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business solely with respect to such gain or loss, Tax Counsel's opinion will not address the taxation of the Issuer with respect to such disposition. In addition, in interpreting and complying with the Documents, the Issuer and the Servicer are entitled to rely upon the advice and/or opinions of their selected counsel, and the opinion of Tax Counsel will assume that any such advice and/or opinions, other than advice given by Tax Counsel, are correct and complete. The opinion of Tax Counsel will be based on the Code, the Treasury regulations (final, temporary and proposed) thereunder, the existing authorities, and Tax Counsel's interpretation thereof, all as in effect as of the date of such opinion, and on certain factual assumptions and representations as to the Issuer's contemplated activities. The Issuer intends to conduct its business in accordance with the assumptions, representations and agreements upon which the opinion of Tax Counsel is based. However, opinions and advice of Tax Counsel or other counsel are not binding on the IRS. Accordingly, in the absence of authority on point, whether the Issuer is or will be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States or not is not entirely free from doubt, and there can be no assurance that positions contrary to those

stated in the opinion of Tax Counsel or any other advice or opinion may not be asserted successfully by the IRS.

*U.S. Federal Withholding Taxes.* Generally, U.S. source interest income received by a foreign person not engaged in a trade or business within the United States is subject to U.S. withholding tax at the rate of 30% of the amount thereof. The Code provides an exception for interest that constitutes “portfolio interest,” which is exempt from withholding tax. The term “**portfolio interest**” is generally defined as interest paid with respect to debt issued after July 18, 1984 that meets the “registration” requirement, unless the interest constitutes a certain type of contingent interest or is paid to a 10% shareholder of the payor, to a controlled foreign corporation (a “**CFC**”) related to the payor, or to a bank with respect to a loan entered into in the ordinary course of its business. For purposes of applying the 10% shareholder and related CFC rules, certain constructive ownership rules contained in the Code apply. The Issuer intends that all of the Collateral Obligations purchased that consist of obligations of U.S. issuers to the extent that they are treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes will either (i) pay interest qualifying as “portfolio interest” for which federal income withholding tax is not otherwise applicable or (ii) require the obligor to make “gross-up” payments to offset fully any such tax on any such payments. However, withholding tax may be imposed on certain payments received by the Issuer as a result of one or more non-U.S. persons’ ownership of Preference Shares. Furthermore, there can be no assurance that the Issuer will not become subject to such withholding without “gross-up” payments as a result of a change in or the adoption of a U.S. tax statute, or any change in or the issuance of a regulation or equivalent authority. Any such change, adoption or issuance may constitute a Withholding Tax Event. See “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

The Issuer may acquire certain types of Collateral Obligations not constituting debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes under the assumption that they are not subject to U.S. withholding tax despite the absence of clear authority that withholding tax is not payable.

Any commitment fees and any lending fees received under a Securities Lending Agreement or similar fees or other items of income (other than interest) received by the Issuer may be subject to U.S. withholding tax. However, the Issuer does not anticipate that it will derive material amounts of any such commitment fees and lending fees or similar fees or other items of income that would be subject to U.S. withholding taxes.

The Issuer may also acquire Collateral Obligations that consist of obligations of non-U.S. issuers. Payments in respect of such Collateral Obligations may be or could become subject to foreign withholding tax. In this regard, the Issuer is not generally permitted to purchase any obligations, the payments on which are subject to withholding tax, unless the issuer of the obligation is required to make “gross-up” payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax.

## **U.S. Federal Income Taxation of U.S. Holders of Notes**

*Status of the Notes.* In the opinion of Tax Counsel, the Senior Notes issued on the Closing Date will be, and the Class D Notes issued on the Closing Date should be, treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The Issuer will treat, and each person acquiring an interest in a Note will be deemed to agree to treat, the Notes as debt. The opinion of Tax Counsel is based on current law and certain representations and assumptions and is not binding on the IRS or the courts, and no ruling will be sought from the IRS regarding this, or any other, aspect of the U.S. federal income tax treatment of the Notes. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the IRS will not contend, and that a court will not ultimately hold, that for U.S. federal income tax purposes one or more Classes of the Notes are properly treated as equity in the Issuer. In that case, there might be adverse U.S. federal income tax consequences to a U.S. Holder of Notes upon the sale, redemption, retirement or other disposition of, or the receipt of

certain types of distributions on, the Notes. Except for the discussion under “United States Income Taxation of the Class D Notes if Characterized as Equity” below, the remainder of this discussion assumes that the Notes are properly characterized as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

*Maturity Extension and Extension Bonus Payment.* Because the Stated Maturity of the Notes may be extended if certain conditions are met, it is unclear whether the Notes should be treated as maturing on February 1, 2022 or February 1, 2038, or on a date between such dates. The Treasury regulations do not provide clear guidance on debt instruments with terms similar to the Notes. Absent further guidance, the Issuer intends to take the position that the Notes should be treated as maturing on February 1, 2022. If the Notes are extended, the Issuer intends to treat each Note, solely for purposes of sections 1272 and 1273 of the Code, as retired and reissued for an amount equal to the adjusted issue price on the date of the new Extension Effective Date. Prospective investors in the Notes should consult their tax advisors regarding whether the Notes should be treated as maturing on a different date and the tax consequences if the Notes have a different maturity date than that chosen by the Issuer.

If the Stated Maturity is extended, the extension of the Stated Maturity would be treated as a modification of the Notes if the Notes may be sold to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser that is related to the Issuer within the meaning of section 267(b) of the Code. If such extension constitutes a modification, there is a significant risk that U.S. Holders who continue to hold their Notes after such extension will be treated as having exchanged their Notes for new Notes (“**New Notes**”) in a deemed exchange for U.S. federal income tax purposes (a “**Deemed Exchange**”). Any such Deemed Exchange would be treated as a taxable exchange, resulting in gain or loss, if any. Furthermore, if the Notes are treated as exchanged for New Notes in a Deemed Exchange as a result of a Maturity Extension, whether the New Notes would be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes will depend on the facts and circumstances existing at the time of such Deemed Exchange. Tax Counsel is unable to opine on whether New Notes treated as received in a Deemed Exchange for the Notes will be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In the event of an extension, U.S. Holders are strongly urged to consult their tax advisors regarding the tax consequences of such extension.

The tax treatment of the Extension Bonus Payment and the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount is unclear. The Issuer intends to take the positions that the full amount of the Extension Bonus Payment should be taxable to U.S. Holders as ordinary income in accordance with their method of accounting, that the CDS/TRS Termination Payment, if any, should be treated as part of the amount realized upon a disposition of the Notes and that none of the Extension Bonus Payment, the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount or the Issuer’s options to extend the Stated Maturity should cause the Notes to be treated as subject to the rules applicable to “contingent payment debt instruments” under section 1.1275-4 of the Treasury regulation. U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisors regarding the taxation of the Extension Bonus Payment and the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount, and the tax consequences of the Notes if they are treated as contingent payment debt instruments.

*Taxation of Interest Income.* Stated interest on the Notes that is considered “unconditionally payable” (as described below) will be includable in income by a U.S. Holder when received or accrued in accordance with such Holder’s method of tax accounting as ordinary interest income from sources outside the United States.

If the “issue price” of any Note is less than the “stated redemption price at maturity” (“**SRPM**”) of such Note, the excess of the SRPM over the issue price may constitute original issue discount (“**OID**”). Under a de minimis rule, if the excess of the SRPM of such Note over its issue price is less than one-fourth of one percent of the SRPM multiplied by the weighted average maturity (determined under applicable Treasury regulations) of such Note, such Note will not be treated as issued with OID. If any such Notes are issued at a greater than de minimis discount or are otherwise treated as having been issued

with OID, the excess of the SRPM of such Notes over their issue price will constitute OID. Under the Code, a U.S. Holder of such Notes would be required to include the daily portions of OID, if any, in income as interest from sources outside the United States over the term of such Notes under a constant yield method that reflects the time value of money, regardless of such U.S. Holder's method of tax accounting and without regard to the timing of actual payments.

The "issue price" of the Notes is the first price at which a substantial amount of the Notes are sold for money (excluding sales to bond houses, brokers or similar persons or organizations acting in the capacity of underwriters, placement agents or wholesalers). Treasury regulations provide, for purposes of determining whether a debt instrument is issued with OID, that stated interest must be included in the SRPM of a debt instrument if such interest is not "unconditionally payable" in money at least annually. Interest is considered "unconditionally payable" if reasonable legal remedies exist to compel timely payment or terms and conditions of the debt instrument make the likelihood of late payment (other than late payment that occurs within a reasonable grace period) or nonpayment (ignoring the possibility of nonpayment due to default, insolvency or similar circumstances) a remote contingency. Stated interest on the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-2 Notes will be "unconditionally payable" at least annually and thus will be included in income in accordance with a U.S. Holder's method of accounting. Because interest on the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes may not be due and payable on any Payment Date to the extent that funds are not available on such Payment Date to pay the full amount of such interest or in order to satisfy certain Coverage Tests, the Issuer intends to take the position that payment of interest on the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes will not be viewed as "unconditionally payable." Assuming such treatment is respected, all interest payments on the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes would be required to be included in the SRPM of such Notes and, therefore, accrued by a U.S. Holder pursuant to these OID rules. Accordingly, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes would be subject to the OID rules whether or not they are issued at an issue price equal to their principal amount.

Because the Floating Rate Notes provide for a floating rate of interest, a U.S. Holder of Floating Rate Notes must include in income interest or OID, if any, on the Floating Rate Notes at the floating rate in effect for the first accrual period (assuming the Floating Rate Notes are issued without OID other than any "deemed" discount attributable to the accrual of interest). The amount of interest or OID actually recognized for any applicable period will increase (or decrease) if interest actually paid during the period is more (or less) than the amount accrued at the initial floating rate.

If the Notes of a Class are not issued at an issue price equal to their principal amount, in computing OID with respect to such Notes, the Issuer intends (absent definitive guidance) to determine the amount of OID to be included in income annually by U.S. Holders of such Notes under an income accrual method, prescribed by Section 1272(a)(6) of the Code, applicable to debt instruments payments under which may be accelerated by reason of prepayments of other obligations securing such debt instruments or a pool of debt instruments the yield on which may be affected by reason of prepayments, that uses an assumption as to the expected prepayments on the Notes. The application of section 1272(a)(6) of the Code to debt instruments with prepayment features similar to the Notes is uncertain, however, and may be challenged by the IRS. In the event that the IRS successfully challenged the Issuer's characterization of such Notes as subject to section 1272(a)(6) of the Code, any such Notes might be treated as contingent payment debt instruments. Prospective investors should consult their tax advisors regarding the potential application of the method under section 1272(a)(6) of the Code and the rules governing contingent payment debt instruments for accruing any prospective OID on the Notes.

*Disposition of Notes.* In general, a U.S. Holder of a Note will have a basis in such Note equal to the cost of such Note to such Holder, increased by any amount includable in income by such Holder as



OID and reduced by any payments of principal and interest on such Note, other than payments of stated interest that are not required to be included in the SRPM of such Note.

Upon the sale, exchange, retirement or other disposition of such Note, a U.S. Holder will recognize taxable gain or loss, if any, generally equal to the difference between the amount realized on the sale or other disposition (other than accrued stated interest that was not required to be included in the SRPM of such Note, which interest will be taxable as such) and such U.S. Holder's adjusted tax basis in such Note. Any such gain or loss will generally be long-term capital gain or loss provided that such Note had been held for more than one year at the time of the sale or other disposition. In certain circumstances, U.S. Holders that are individuals may be entitled to preferential treatment for net long-term capital gains; however, the ability of U.S. Holders to offset capital losses against ordinary income is limited.

*United States Income Taxation of the Class D Notes if Characterized as Equity.* As discussed above, the Issuer will treat the Class D Notes as debt of the Issuer and the discussions above assume that the Class D Notes would be characterized as debt for the United States federal income tax purposes. However, the United States federal income tax treatment of the Class D Notes is subject to significant uncertainty and no ruling from the IRS has been sought regarding this issue. Accordingly, there can be no assurances that the IRS will not contend, and that a court will not ultimately hold, that the Class D Notes are equity of the Issuer.

If the Class D Notes were treated as equity, a U.S. Holder of Class D Notes will generally be treated as a partner of the Issuer, and would be generally required to take into account such Holder's allocable share of the Issuer's items of income, gain, loss, deduction and credit for the taxable year of the Issuer ending within or with the taxable year if the U.S. Holder regardless of whether such Holder has received or will receive corresponding distributions from the Issuer. Investors are strongly urged to consult their tax advisors as to the possible characterization of the Class D Notes as equity, the tax consequences resulting from such characterization, and the advisability of filing an IRS Form 8865.

### **Tax Treatment of Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders of Notes**

U.S. Holders which are tax-exempt entities ("**Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders**") will not be subject to the tax on unrelated business taxable income ("**UBTI**") with respect to interest and capital gains income derived from an investment in the Notes. However, a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder that also acquires Preference Shares should consider whether interest it receives in respect of the Notes may be treated as UBTI under rules governing certain payments received from controlled entities.

Notwithstanding the discussion in the preceding paragraph, a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder which incurs "acquisition indebtedness" (as defined in Section 514(c) of the Code) with respect to the Notes may be subject to the tax on UBTI with respect to income from the Notes to the extent that the Notes constitute "debt-financed property" (as defined in Section 514(b) of the Code) of the Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder.

Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisors regarding an investment in the Notes.

### **Transfer Restrictions on the Class D Notes**

The Issuer will not recognize any transfer of Class D Notes if the proposed transfer will cause the Issuer to have more than ninety-nine beneficial owners (as determined for purposes of the provisions of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h)) of its Class D Notes and Preference Shares unless it receives the consent of all of the Holders of the Preference Shares and an opinion of counsel to the effect that Holders of the Notes will not recognize gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such transfer, and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at

the same times as would have been the case if such transfer had not been made. In addition, the Class D Notes may not be traded on an Established Securities Market, and the Issuer will not recognize any transfers made pursuant to any such trades; *provided* that the requirements of this sentence shall not apply to limit any transfer of Class D Notes occurring after the Issuer elects to be treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

Holders of the Class D Notes will not be permitted to transfer any of the Class D Notes they hold unless the transferee provides, among other things, the Trustee (1) appropriate documentation required under the Code and the applicable Treasury regulations establishing that the beneficial owner is either a non-U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-8BEN or an IRS Form W-8IMY with appropriate attachments) or a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-9), (2) if the beneficial owner is not a U.S. Holder, certification that (A) the beneficial owner either is not a bank or is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates U.S. federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States and (B) the beneficial owner is not purchasing the Class D Notes in order to reduce its United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan, and (3) for a beneficial owner that is treated as a partnership, S-corporation or grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a written representation that (i) there will not be any interests in such beneficial owner where substantially all of the value of such interest is attributable to the value of the Class D Notes proposed to be transferred to such beneficial owner, together with the value of any Class D Notes, Holding Preference Shares and Preference Shares already held by such beneficial owner and (ii) the beneficial owner is not a part of any arrangement a principal purpose of which is to cause the Class D Notes and Preference Shares to be treated as owned by 100 persons or less within the meaning of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h); *provided* that this clause (B) shall not apply to a transfer of Class D Notes occurring after the election by the Issuer to be treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Each transferee of a Class D Note will also be required to agree to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form and other certificate in each of the following circumstances: (i) no later than 120 days prior to the expiration (if applicable) of the last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate, (ii) upon any change of circumstance that would cause that the last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate to be incorrect and (iii) upon a request by the Issuer or the Share Registrar. Each transferee will also be required to agree that if such transferee fails to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form or other certificate no later than 120 days prior to the expiration of the last previously provided U.S. tax form or, if earlier, within the time specified in any request by the Issuer or the Share Registrar (which shall not be less than 30 days), the Issuer will have the unconditional right to cause such transferee to sell any and all Class D Notes to the Issuer or to a person chosen by the Issuer or the Issuer's agent on such terms as the Issuer may choose. For this purpose, an IRS Form W-8IMY (or any successor form thereto) will be deemed to expire upon the expiration of any withholding statement or U.S. tax forms associated with such IRS Form W-8IMY.

#### **U.S. Federal Income Taxation of Non-U.S. Holders**

The summary contained in this subsection outlines certain significant U.S. federal income tax principles that are likely to apply to a beneficial owner that is treated as a non-resident alien or foreign corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes (a “**Non-U.S. Holder**”). It assumes that the Non-U.S. Holder's investment in the Issuer is not effectively connected with the conduct by such Non-U.S. Holder of a trade or business in the United States.

Payments on the Notes to a Non-U.S. Holder will generally be exempt from any U.S. federal income or withholding taxes provided that the Non-U.S. Holder provides appropriate withholding certificates, as will gains derived from the sale, exchange or redemption of the Notes, *provided that* such payments or gains are not effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business of such Holder, and generally, in the case of gain (excluding accrued OID, if any) of a non-resident alien individual Holder,

the Holder is not present in the United States for 183 days or more during the taxable year of the sale and certain other conditions are satisfied. However, if it were determined that the Issuer were engaged in a U.S. trade or business, a portion of the payments on the Notes paid to a Non-U.S. Holder may be subject to a 30% U.S. withholding tax.

As discussed above, the United States federal income tax treatment of the Class D Notes is subject to significant uncertainty and no ruling from the IRS has been sought regarding this issue. If the Class D Notes were treated as equity of the Issuer, among other things, a Non-U.S. Holder may be subject to withholding taxes with respect to payments under the Class D Notes. Furthermore, in such event, if the Issuer were engaged in a U.S. trade or business, a Non-U.S. Holder would also be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business and would be required to file and pay U.S. federal income taxes on its allocable share of the Issuer's income (and possibly on any gain on a disposition of Class D Notes) that is (or is deemed to be) effectively connected with such U.S. trade or business at graduated U.S. federal income tax rates applicable to U.S. Holders (corporate Non-U.S. Holders may also be subject to the branch profits tax). Investors are strongly urged to consult their tax advisors as to the possible U.S. federal income tax characterization of the Class D Notes as equity and the tax consequences resulting from such characterization.

### **Information Reporting and Backup Withholding**

Information reporting to the IRS generally will be required with respect to payments on the Notes, and proceeds of the sale of the Notes to U.S. Holders other than corporations and other exempt recipients. A "backup" withholding tax generally will apply to those payments if such Holder fails to provide certain identifying information (such as the Holder's taxpayer identification number) to the Trustee. "Non-effectively connected" gain or distributions received by a Non-U.S. Holder will generally not be subject to U.S. information reporting requirements or U.S. "backup" withholding tax, although such Holder may be required to furnish a certificate to the paying agent of the Issuer attesting to their status as a Non-U.S. Holder in order to avoid the application of such information reporting requirements and backup withholding. Backup withholding is not an additional tax and may be refunded (or credited against the Holder's U.S. federal income tax liability, if any) *provided* that certain required information is furnished to the IRS in a timely manner.

### **Cayman Islands Tax Considerations**

The following discussion of certain Cayman Islands income tax consequences of an investment in the Securities is based on the advice of Maples and Calder as to Cayman Islands law. The discussion is a general summary of present law, which is subject to prospective and retroactive change. It assumes that the Issuer will conduct its affairs in accordance with assumptions made by, and representations made to, counsel. It is not intended as tax advice, does not consider any investor's particular circumstances, and does not consider tax consequences other than those arising under Cayman Islands law.

Under existing Cayman Islands laws:

- (i) payments of principal and interest on the Notes and dividends and capital in respect of the Preference Shares will not be subject to taxation in the Cayman Islands and no withholding will be required on such payments to any Holder of a Security and gains derived from the sale of Securities will not be subject to Cayman Islands income or corporation tax. The Cayman Islands currently have no income, corporation or capital gains tax and no estate duty, inheritance tax or gift tax;

(ii) no stamp duty is payable in respect of the issue or transfer of Securities although duty may be payable if Notes are executed in or brought into the Cayman Islands; and

(iii) certificates evidencing Securities, in registered form, to which title is not transferable by delivery, should not attract Cayman Islands stamp duty. However, an instrument transferring title to a Note, if brought to or executed in the Cayman Islands, would be subject to Cayman Islands stamp duty.

The Issuer has been incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands as an exempted company and, as such, has applied for and obtained an undertaking from the Governor in Cabinet of the Cayman Islands in substantially the following form:

**“THE TAX CONCESSIONS LAW  
(1999 REVISION)  
UNDERTAKING AS TO TAX CONCESSIONS**

In accordance with Section 6 of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision) the Governor in Cabinet undertakes with:

Brentwood CLO, Ltd. “the Company”

- (a) that no Law which is hereafter enacted in the Islands imposing any tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations shall apply to the Company or its operations; and
- (b) in addition, that no tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations or which is in the nature of estate duty or inheritance tax shall be payable
  - (i) on or in respect of the shares debentures or other obligations of the Company; or
  - (ii) by way of the withholding in whole or in part of any relevant payment as defined in Section 6(3) of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision).

These concessions shall be for a period of TWENTY years from the 30th day of May, 2006.

**GOVERNOR IN CABINET”**

The Cayman Islands does not have an income tax treaty arrangement with the U.S. or any other country.

THE PRECEDING DISCUSSION IS ONLY A SUMMARY OF CERTAIN OF THE TAX IMPLICATIONS OF AN INVESTMENT IN THE SECURITIES. PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS ARE URGED TO CONSULT WITH THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS PRIOR TO INVESTING TO DETERMINE THE TAX IMPLICATIONS OF SUCH INVESTMENT IN LIGHT OF SUCH INVESTORS’ CIRCUMSTANCES.

**CONSIDERATIONS FOR BENEFIT PLANS**

Except as described below, the Preference Shares and the Class D Notes may not be purchased by any Benefit Plan Investor. Subject to the following discussion, the Senior Notes may generally be acquired by Benefit Plan Investors. Any fiduciary or other person contemplating an investment in the

Securities by, on behalf of or using the assets of, an employee benefit or similar plan or arrangement, whether or not subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, should consider, among other things, the matters described below before deciding whether to invest in any of the Securities.

ERISA establishes fiduciary standards for persons having authority or control of the assets of employee benefit plans subject to Title I thereof, including collective investment funds and other entities whose underlying assets are deemed to include assets of such plans (collectively, “**ERISA Plans**”) pursuant to Section 3(42) of ERISA and the regulation issued by the United States Department of Labor (“**DOL**”) and found at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101, and any other or successor provisions relating to the definition of plan assets for the purposes of ERISA (collectively, the “**Plan Asset Regulation**”) or otherwise pursuant to ERISA. Under Title I of ERISA, any person who exercises any authority or control with respect to the management or disposition of the assets of an ERISA Plan is considered to be a fiduciary of such ERISA Plan.

Investments by ERISA Plans are subject to ERISA’s general fiduciary requirements, including the requirement of investment prudence and diversification and the requirement that an ERISA Plan’s investments be made in accordance with the documents governing the relevant plan. The prudence of a particular investment must be determined by the responsible fiduciary of an ERISA Plan by taking into account the ERISA Plan’s particular circumstances and all of the facts and circumstances of the investment. A fiduciary of an ERISA Plan should consider, for example, that in the future there may be no market in which to sell or otherwise dispose of the Securities, whether an investment in the Securities may be too illiquid or too speculative, and whether the assets of the ERISA Plan would be sufficiently diversified.

Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code effectively prohibit certain transactions involving the assets of an ERISA Plan (as well as those plans that are not subject to Title I of ERISA but are subject to Section 4975 of the Code (each such plan or ERISA Plan, a “**Plan**”)) and certain persons having certain relationships to such Plans (referred to as “parties in interest” or “disqualified persons”), unless a statutory or administrative exemption applies to the transaction. A violation of these “prohibited transaction” rules may generate excise tax or other penalties and liabilities under ERISA and the Code for such person.

Additionally, the acquisition or holding of Securities by or on behalf of benefit plans that are not subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, such as governmental plans (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA) and certain church plans (as defined in Section 3(33) of ERISA) could give rise to similar liabilities under federal, state or local law which may be substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (a “**Similar Law**”), and/or might be prohibited or otherwise restricted as described herein.

The Plan Asset Regulation describes what constitutes the assets of a Plan with respect to the Plan’s investment in an entity for purposes of certain provisions of ERISA, including the fiduciary responsibility and prohibited transaction provisions of Title I of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code. Under the Plan Asset Regulation, if a Plan invests in an “equity interest” of an entity that is neither a “publicly-offered security” nor a security issued by an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act, the Plan’s assets include both the equity interest and an undivided interest in each of the entity’s underlying assets, unless it is established that the entity is an “operating company” or that equity participation in the entity by “Benefit Plan Investors” is not “significant.” Equity participation in an entity by Benefit Plan Investors is “significant” if 25% or more of the value of any class of equity interest of the entity is held by Benefit Plan Investors. The term “Benefit Plan Investor” includes (a) an employee benefit plan subject to Part 4 of Title I of ERISA, (b) a plan to which Section 4975 of the Code applies and (c) any entity whose underlying assets include “plan assets” of any of the foregoing by reason

of an investment in the entity by such a plan or arrangement (a “**Benefit Plan Investor**”). For purposes of making the 25% determination, the value of any equity interests held by a person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) who has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the entity or who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to such assets, or any “affiliate” of such a person, as defined under the Plan Asset Regulation (a “**Controlling Person**”), will be disregarded. Under the Plan Asset Regulation, an “affiliate” of a person includes any person, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controlling, controlled by or under common control with the person, and “control” with respect to a person other than an individual, means the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of such person.

Under the Plan Asset Regulation, the assets of the Co-Issuers might be treated as assets of a Plan if Benefit Plan Investors hold 25% or more of any class of “equity interests” in the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or if any Plan acquires an “equity interest” in the Issuer and/or the Co-Issuer and none of the exceptions contained in the Plan Asset Regulation is applicable. An “equity interest” is defined under the Plan Asset Regulation as an interest other than an instrument which is treated as indebtedness under applicable local law and which has no substantial equity features.

### **Senior Notes**

The Co-Issuers believe that, at the time of their issuance, the ERISA-Eligible Senior Notes should be treated as indebtedness without substantial equity features for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulation. This determination is based in part upon the traditional debt features of such ERISA-Eligible Senior Notes, including the reasonable expectation of purchasers of such ERISA-Eligible Senior Notes that they will be repaid when due, as well as the absence of conversion rights, warrants and other typical equity features. The Co-Issuers will therefore not monitor the investment by Benefit Plan Investors in the ERISA-Eligible Senior Notes. It should be noted that the debt treatment of the ERISA-Eligible Senior Notes for ERISA purposes could change subsequent to their issuance (i.e., they could be treated as equity) if the Issuers incur losses or the rating or other terms and conditions of the ERISA-Eligible Senior Notes changes. The risk of recharacterization is enhanced for subordinate classes of the ERISA-Eligible Senior Notes. The Co-Issuers have not obtained an opinion of counsel regarding the debt treatment of ERISA-Eligible Senior Notes under local law or the Plan Asset Regulation.

Regardless of the characterization of the ERISA-Eligible Senior Notes as debt or equity under the Plan Asset Regulation and regardless of the level of Benefit Plan Investor investment in any class of Securities, the acquisition or holding of ERISA-Eligible Senior Notes by or on behalf of a Plan could give rise to a prohibited transaction if any of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Servicer, the Placement Agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, other persons providing services in connection with the Issuers, or any of their respective affiliates is a “party in interest” or “disqualified person” with respect to that Plan. Certain exemptions from the prohibited transaction rules could be applicable, however, depending in part upon the type of fiduciary making the decision to acquire ERISA-Eligible Senior Notes and the circumstances under which such decision is made. Included among these exemptions are ERISA Section 408(b)(17) and Code Section 4975(d)(20), regarding transactions with certain non-fiduciary service providers, U.S. DOL Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption (“**PTCE**”) 84-14, regarding transactions effected by independent “qualified professional asset managers”; PTCE 90-1, regarding investments by insurance company pooled separate accounts; PTCE 91-38, regarding investments by bank collective investment funds; PTCE 95-60, regarding investments by insurance company general accounts; and PTCE 96-23, regarding transactions effected by certain “in-house asset managers.” However, even if the conditions specified in one or more of these exemptions are met, the scope of the relief provided by these exemptions might or might not cover all acts which might be construed as prohibited transactions. There can be no assurance that any of these, or any other exemption, will be available with respect to any particular transaction involving the ERISA-Eligible Senior Notes.

Similarly, the acquisition or holding of Senior Notes by or on behalf of governmental plans (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA) and certain church plans (as defined in Section 3(33) of ERISA), which are not subject to Title I of ERISA and/or Section 4975 of the Code, could give rise to a prohibited transaction or other liabilities under Similar Law.

By acquiring an ERISA-Eligible Senior Note, each purchaser and transferee will be deemed to represent, warrant and covenant that either (i) it is not, and is not acquiring such ERISA-Eligible Senior Note with the assets of, a Plan or a governmental or church plan subject to Similar Law, and throughout the holding and disposition of such ERISA-Eligible Senior Note, it will not become or transfer its interest to any Plan or governmental or church plan or to an entity using the assets thereof, or (ii) the acquisition, holding and disposition of such ERISA-Eligible Senior Note by the purchaser or transferee, throughout its holding and disposition of such ERISA-Eligible Senior Note, will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental or church plan, a violation of any Similar Law), because such purchase, holding and disposition either (x) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (y) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all of the conditions of which are and will be satisfied upon its acquisition of, and throughout its holding and disposition of, such ERISA-Eligible Senior Note. Each investor in an ERISA-Eligible Senior Note will be deemed to represent, warrant and covenant that it will not sell, pledge or otherwise transfer such ERISA-Eligible Senior Note in violation of the foregoing, and that it and any person causing it to acquire such ERISA-Eligible Senior Note agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Servicer, the Placement Agent and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of such purchaser not satisfying the foregoing or as a result of its transferring its interest to a Person not meeting the foregoing requirements.

Benefit Plan Investors will not be permitted to acquire or hold Class A-1B Notes until after the end of the Delayed Drawdown Period. Any purported transfer of any Senior Note to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of the foregoing shall be null and void *ab initio*, and will vest in the transferee no rights against the Trustee or the Co-Issuers.

### **Class D Notes and Preference Shares**

Although the Issuer will treat the Class D Notes as debt, this characterization is subject to uncertainty and the Class D Notes may be characterized as equity for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulation. The Preference Shares are equity of the Issuer and will be treated as equity for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulation. Accordingly, the Issuer intends to limit the purchase and holding of each of the Class D Notes, the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares by Benefit Plan Investors to less than 25% of the aggregate outstanding amount of Class D Notes; the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares, as applicable (excluding for purposes of such determination any Class D Notes or Preference Shares held by Controlling Persons), by requiring each purchaser or transferee thereof to make certain representations and agreements with respect to its status as a Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person, and to agree to additional transfer restrictions described under “Transfer Restrictions.” In making the 25% determination, Class D Notes or Preference Shares held by any Controlling Person (such as the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares held by the Servicer or its affiliates and employees thereof) will be disregarded and not treated as outstanding. No purchase of a Class D Note or a Preference Share by, or proposed transfer to, a person that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person will be permitted to the extent that such purchase or transfer would result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of Class D Notes; the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares, as applicable, (excluding for purposes of such determination any Class D Notes, Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares, as applicable,

held by any Controlling Person (such as the Class D Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares held by the Servicer or its affiliates and employees thereof)) immediately after such purchase or proposed transfer (determined in accordance with the Plan Asset Regulation, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents).

In addition, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Trustee will agree that, after the initial distribution of the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares, neither they nor any of their respective affiliates will acquire any Class D Notes or Preference Shares (including pursuant to the Extension Procedure or the Amendment Buy-Out Option) unless such acquisition would not, as determined by the Trustee in reliance on representations made in the applicable transfer certificates with respect thereto, result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of any of the Class D Notes, Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such acquisition (determined in accordance with the Plan Asset Regulation, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents). The Class D Notes or the Preference Shares held as principal by the Servicer, the Trustee, any of their respective affiliates (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) and persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% limitation to the extent that such a Controlling Person is not a Benefit Plan Investor.

Each purchaser and transferee will be further required to represent, warrant and covenant that no transfer of a Class D Note or a Preference Share will be made to a Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person except as provided herein, and that it and any fiduciaries or other Person causing it to acquire such Securities agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Servicer, the Placement Agent and their respective affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of any transfer of Class D Notes or Preference Shares, as applicable, in violation of the foregoing.

### **Independent Review and Consultation with Counsel**

Any person proposing to purchase Securities with assets of an employee benefit plan or similar plan or arrangement, including a collective investment fund, insurance company general account or a governmental or church plan, should consult with its counsel with respect to, among other things, the limitations applicable to Benefit Plan Investors specified herein, and the potential applicability of ERISA, the Code and Similar Law to such investment and whether any exemption from the prohibited transaction provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code or such Similar Law would be applicable. Each investor must determine on its own whether all conditions of any applicable exemption have been satisfied. Moreover, each ERISA Plan fiduciary should determine whether, under the general fiduciary standards of investment prudence and diversification, an investment in the Securities is appropriate for the ERISA Plan, taking into account the overall investment policy of the ERISA Plan, the composition of the ERISA Plan's investment portfolio, and the risk/return characteristics of the Securities.

### **PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION**

The Placed Notes will be privately placed by Banc of America Securities. Pursuant to a Placement Agency Agreement (the "**Placement Agency Agreement**") among the Co-Issuers and the Placement Agent, the Placement Agent will agree, subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions, to use reasonable efforts to place the Placed Notes on behalf of the Co-Issuers. The Placement Agent may, but will not be obligated to, purchase the Placed Notes as principal with a view to the resale and distribution thereof, and any such resales may be made by it at negotiated prices. In addition, the Placement Agent reserves the right to pay a fee to any purchaser of the Placed Notes, and any Affiliate of the Issuer or the



Servicer may also pay a fee to any purchaser, in connection with such purchaser's participation in the transaction.

Certain of the Notes may be sold directly by the Issuer to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates in privately negotiated transactions. The Issuer will agree to sell, and HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries will agree to purchase, all of the Class II Preference Shares in a privately negotiated transaction and the Issuer will agree to sell, and Investors Corp. will agree to purchase, all of the Class I Preference Shares in privately negotiated transactions. The Placement Agent is not acting as a placement agent or initial purchaser with respect to the Preference Shares.

In the Placement Agency Agreement, the Co-Issuers will agree to indemnify the Placement Agent against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, or to contribute to payments the Placement Agent may be required to make in respect thereof. In addition, the Issuer will agree to reimburse the Placement Agent for certain of its expenses incurred in connection with the closing of the transactions contemplated hereby.

The Co-Issuers have been advised by the Placement Agent that the Placement Agent proposes to arrange the sale of the Placed Notes to certain non-U.S. persons in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act and in transactions exempt under Section 4(2) to Qualified Institutional Buyers (and, in the case of the Class D Notes, to Institutional Accredited Investors) who are Qualified Purchasers. Any offer or sale of Notes made in the United States will be made by broker-dealers, including certain affiliates of the Placement Agent, which are registered as broker-dealers under the Exchange Act. Pursuant to the Placement Agency Agreement, the Placement Agent will be entitled to placement fees from the Issuer for placing the Placed Notes. The Placement Agent may allow a concession, not in excess of the selling concession, to certain brokers or dealers.

No action has been taken or will be taken by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Placed Notes or possession or distribution of any Offering Memorandum (in preliminary or final form) or any amendment thereof, or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Placed Notes in any jurisdiction where, or in any other circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. No offers, sales or deliveries of any Placed Notes, or distribution of any Offering Memorandum (in preliminary or final form) or any other offering material relating to the Placed Notes, may be made in or from any jurisdiction except in circumstances that will result in compliance with any applicable laws and regulations and will not impose any obligations on the Issuer or the Placement Agent. Because of the restrictions contained in the front of this Offering Memorandum, purchasers are advised to consult legal counsel prior to making any offer, resale, pledge or transfer of the Placed Notes.

In the Placement Agency Agreement, the Placement Agent will agree that it or one or more of its Affiliates will arrange the sale of the Placed Notes that are Senior Notes only to or with (i) purchasers it reasonably believes to be Qualified Institutional Buyers who are Qualified Purchasers and (ii) non-U.S. Persons in Offshore Transactions pursuant to Regulation S. In the Placement Agency Agreement, the Placement Agent will agree that it or one or more of its Affiliates will arrange the sale of the Placed Notes that are Class D Notes only to or with purchasers it reasonably believes to be Qualified Institutional Buyers or Institutional Accredited Investors who are Qualified Purchasers. Resales of the Placed Notes offered in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act, as the case may be, are restricted as described under the "Transfer Restrictions." As used in this paragraph, the terms "United States" and "U.S." have the meanings given to them by Regulation S.

The Placed Notes are a new issue of securities for which there is currently no market. The Placement Agent is not under any obligation to make a market in any class of the Placed Notes and any market making activity, if commenced, may be discontinued at any time. There can be no assurance that

a secondary market for any class of the Placed Notes will develop, or if one does develop, that it will continue. Accordingly, no assurance can be given as to the liquidity of or trading market for the Placed Notes. To facilitate the closing of sales arranged by the Placement Agent as described above, the Placement Agent may initially purchase all or a portion of any Class of Notes for the purpose of effecting a resale of such Notes in connection with the Offering. In addition, the Placement Agent may, but is not obligated to, purchase a portion of any Class of Notes on the Closing Date for its own account or that of any of its respective affiliates at a purchase price equal to 100% of the principal amount of such Notes or at such other prices as may be negotiated at the time of sale.

The Co-Issuers extend to each prospective investor the opportunity to ask questions of, and receive answers from, the Co-Issuers or a person or persons acting on behalf of the Co-Issuers, including the Placement Agent, concerning the Securities and the terms and conditions of this offering and to obtain any additional information it may consider necessary in making an informed investment decision and any information in order to verify the accuracy of the information set forth herein, to the extent the Co-Issuers possess the same. Requests for such additional information can be directed to Banc of America Securities LLC, 9 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street, New York, New York, 10019, Attention: Structured Securities Group—CDO Structuring.

## **SETTLEMENT AND CLEARING**

### **Book Entry Registration of the Global Notes**

So long as the Depository, or its nominee, is the registered owner or Holder of a Global Note, the Depository or the nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the sole owner or Holder of the Senior Notes represented by a Global Note for all purposes under the Indenture, the Issuer Charter and the Global Notes, and members of, or participants in, the Depository as well as any other persons on whose behalf the participants may act (including Clearstream and Euroclear and account holders and participants therein) will have no rights under the Indenture, the Issuer Charter or a Global Note. Owners of beneficial interests in a Global Note will not be considered to be owners or Holders of the related Senior Note under the Indenture or the Issuer Charter. Unless the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for a Global Note or ceases to be a “clearing agency” registered under the Exchange Act, owners of a beneficial interest in a Global Note will not be entitled to have any portion of a Global Note registered in their names, will not receive or be entitled to receive physical delivery of Senior Notes in certificated form and will not be considered to be the owners or Holders of any Senior Notes under the Indenture. In addition, no beneficial owner of an interest in a Global Note will be able to transfer that interest except in accordance with the Depository’s applicable procedures (in addition to those under the Indenture and, if applicable, those of Euroclear and Clearstream).

Investors may hold their interests in a Regulation S Global Note directly through Clearstream or Euroclear, if they are participants in Clearstream or Euroclear, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in Clearstream or Euroclear. Clearstream and Euroclear will hold interests in the Regulation S Global Notes on behalf of their participants through their respective depositories, which in turn will hold the interests in Regulation S Global Notes in customers’ securities accounts in the depositories’ names on the books of the Depository. Investors may hold their interests in a Rule 144A Global Note directly through the Depository if they are participants in the Depository, or in directly through organizations that are participants in the Depository.

Payments of principal of, or interest or other distributions on a Global Note will be made to the Depository or its nominee, as the registered owner thereof. The Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the paying agents, the Placement Agent, the Servicer and their respective Affiliates

will not have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests in a Global Note or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to the beneficial ownership interests.

The Co-Issuers expect that the Depository or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment of principal, interest, or other distributions in respect of a Global Note representing any Senior Notes, as the case may be, held by it or its nominee, will immediately credit participants' accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the stated aggregate principal amount or number of a Global Note for the Senior Notes, as shown on the records of the Depository or its nominee. The Co-Issuers also expect that payments by participants to owners of beneficial interests in a Global Note held through the participants will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers registered in the names of nominees for those customers. The payments will be the responsibility of the participants.

### **Global Note Settlement Procedures**

Transfers between the participants in the Depository will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with the Depository rules and will be settled in immediately available funds. The laws of some states require that certain persons take physical delivery of securities in definitive form. Consequently, the ability to transfer beneficial interests in a Global Note to these persons may be limited. Because the Depository can only act on behalf of participants, who in turn act on behalf of indirect participants and certain banks, the ability of a person holding a beneficial interest in a Global Note to pledge its interest to persons or entities that do not participate in the Depository system, or otherwise take actions in respect of its interest, may be affected by the lack of a physical certificate of the interest. Transfers between participants in Euroclear and Clearstream will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with their respective rules and operating procedures.

Subject to compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Securities described above and under "Transfer Restrictions," cross-market transfers between the Depository, on the one hand, and directly or indirectly through Euroclear or Clearstream participants, on the other, will be effected in the Depository in accordance with the Depository rules on behalf of Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, by its respective depository; *however*, the cross-market transactions will require delivery of instructions to Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, by the counterparty in the system in accordance with its rules and procedures and within its established deadlines (Brussels time). Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, will if the transaction meets its settlement requirements, deliver instructions to its respective depository to take action to effect final settlement on its behalf by delivering or receiving interests in a Note represented by a Regulation S Global Note in the Depository and making or receiving payment in accordance with normal procedures for same-day funds settlement applicable to the Depository. Clearstream participants and Euroclear participants may not deliver instructions directly to the depositories of Clearstream or Euroclear.

Because of time zone differences, cash received in Euroclear or Clearstream as a result of sales of interests in a Regulation S Global Note by or through a Euroclear or Clearstream participant to the Depository participant will be received with value on the Depository settlement date but will be available in the relevant Euroclear or Clearstream cash account only as of the business day following settlement in the Depository.

The Depository has advised the Issuer that it will take any action permitted to be taken by a Holder of Securities (including the presentation of Securities for exchange as described above) only at the direction of one or more participants in the Depository to whose account with the Depository interests in

the Securities are credited and only in respect of the portion of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities as to which the participant or participants has or have given the direction.

The Depository has advised the Issuer as follows: The Depository is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a “banking organization” within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a “clearing corporation” within the meaning of the UCC and a “Clearing Agency” registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. The Depository was created to hold securities for its participants and facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of its participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates. Participants in the Depository include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations and may include certain other organizations. Indirect access to the Depository system is available to others such as banks, brokers, dealers, and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a participant, either directly or indirectly.

Although the Depository, Clearstream and Euroclear have agreed to the foregoing procedures to facilitate transfers of interests in Regulation S Global Notes among participants of the Depository, Clearstream and Euroclear, they are under no obligation to perform or continue to perform the procedures, and the procedures may be discontinued at any time. Neither the Co-Issuers nor the Trustee will have any responsibility for the performance by the Depository, Clearstream, or Euroclear or their respective participants or indirect participants of their respective obligations under the rules and procedures governing their operations.

### **TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS**

Because of the following restrictions, purchasers are advised to consult legal counsel prior to making any offer, resale, pledge or transfer of the Securities. Purchasers of Senior Notes represented by an interest in a Regulation S Global Note are advised that such interests are not transferable to U.S. Persons at any time except in accordance with the following restrictions.

Each prospective purchaser of Securities that is a U.S. Person or is purchasing the Securities in a non-Offshore Transaction (a “**U.S. Offeree**”), by accepting delivery of this Offering Memorandum, will be deemed to have represented and agreed as follows:

(1) The U.S. Offeree acknowledges that this Offering Memorandum is personal to the U.S. Offeree and does not constitute an offer to any other person or to the public generally to subscribe for or otherwise acquire the Securities other than pursuant to transactions exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act or in Offshore Transactions in accordance with Regulation S. Distribution of this Offering Memorandum to any person other than the U.S. Offeree and those persons, if any, retained to advise the U.S. Offeree with respect thereto, and other persons that are (a) in the case of the Senior Notes, Qualified Institutional Buyers who are Qualified Purchasers or non-U.S. Persons, (b) in the case of the Class D Notes, Qualified Institutional Buyers or Institutional Accredited Investors who are Qualified Purchasers or (c) in the case of the Preference Shares, Qualified Institutional Buyers who are Qualified Purchasers.

(2) The U.S. Offeree agrees to make no photocopies of this Offering Memorandum or any documents referred to herein and, if the U.S. Offeree does not purchase the Securities or the offering is terminated, to return this Offering Memorandum and all documents referred to herein to Banc of America Securities LLC, 9 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street, New York, New York, 10019, Attention: Structured Securities Group—CDO Structuring.

Under the Indenture (with respect to the Co-Issuers) and the Preference Share Documents (with respect to the Issuer), the Co-Issuers or the Issuer will agree to comply with the requirements of Rule 144A relative to the dissemination of information to prospective purchasers in the secondary market. See “Available Information.”

The Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act and, (a) in the case of the Senior Notes, may not be offered or sold in non-Offshore Transactions or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. Persons, except to Qualified Institutional Buyers who are Qualified Purchasers in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act and (b) in the case of the Class D Notes or the Preference Shares, may only be offered or sold to Qualified Institutional Buyers in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act who are Qualified Purchasers.

Any purported transfer of a Security not in accordance with this section shall be null and void and shall not be given effect for any purpose hereunder.

### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes**

Each purchaser of a beneficial interest in Senior Notes represented by a Rule 144A Global Note will be deemed to represent and agree (on its own behalf, or if the purchaser is acquiring the Senior Notes for any account, on behalf of each such account) (and each transferee of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will be required or deemed to represent and agree) as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A or Regulation S are used herein as defined therein):

(1) (A) The purchaser is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser, (B) the purchaser is purchasing the Senior Notes for its own account or the account of another Qualified Purchaser as to which the purchaser exercises sole investment discretion, (C) the purchaser and any such account is acquiring the Senior Notes as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (D) the purchaser and any such account was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Senior Notes (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (E) to the extent the purchaser (or any account for which it is purchasing the Senior Notes) is a private investment company formed on or before April 30, 1996, the purchaser and each such account has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (F) the purchaser is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than U.S.\$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (G) the purchaser is not a pension, profit-sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants or affiliates may designate the particular investment to be made, (H) the purchaser agrees that it and each such account shall not hold such Senior Notes for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Senior Notes or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the distributions on the Senior Notes (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (I) the Senior Notes purchased directly or indirectly by the purchaser or any account for which it is purchasing the Senior Notes constitute an investment of no more than 40% of the purchaser’s and each such account’s assets (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (J) the purchaser and each such account is purchasing the Senior Notes in a principal amount of not less than the minimum denomination requirement for the purchaser and each such account, (K) the purchaser will provide notice of the transfer restrictions set forth in the Indenture (including the exhibits thereto) to any transferee of its Senior Notes and (L) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Senior Notes to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph (1) shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(2) The purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Senior Notes, and the purchaser, and any account for which it is acting, are each able to bear the economic risk of the purchaser's or its investment.

(3) The purchaser understands that the Senior Notes are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Senior Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein, such Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the applicable legend in respect of such Senior Notes set forth in (6) below and the restrictions set forth in the Indenture. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Co-Issuers, the Servicer or the Placement Agent as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Senior Notes.

(4) The purchaser is not purchasing the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Senior Notes involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of its entire investment in the Senior Notes under certain circumstances. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Co-Issuers, the Senior Notes and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Co-Issuers and the Placement Agent.

(5) In connection with the purchase of Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Servicer by any Affiliate of or account serviced by the Servicer): (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Servicer or their respective Affiliates is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for the purchaser, (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates other than in the Offering Memorandum and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other person) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of the Senior Notes or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the Indenture) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein reflect those in relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) if the purchaser is acting for

the account of another investor, the purchaser represents that the investment on behalf of such account is based on a determination that the investment is suitable based on the risks referred to in this Offering Memorandum (including, without limitation, the “Risk Factors” and the “Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes”), given the investment objectives of the account for which the purchase is being made, and that the investment is consistent with any applicable legal requirements; (vii) the purchaser is purchasing the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (viii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

(6) The purchaser understands that the Senior Notes offered in reliance on the exemption from the registration requirements under the Securities Act provided by Section 4(2) (a) will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Co-Issuers determine otherwise in accordance with applicable law, (b) will be represented by one or more Rule 144A Global Notes, and (c) may not at any time be resold, pledged or transferred to U.S. Persons that are not Qualified Institutional Buyers and Qualified Purchasers. Before any interest in a Rule 144A Global Note may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a Person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note, the transferor will be required to provide the Trustee with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “**SECURITIES ACT**”), AND THE CO-ISSUERS HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**”). THE PURCHASER HEREOF, BY PURCHASING THIS NOTE, AGREES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CO-ISSUERS THAT THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN MAY BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, ONLY (A)(1) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT SO LONG AS THIS NOTE IS ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN U.S.\$250,000 FOR THE PURCHASER AND FOR EACH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS ACTING OR (2) TO A NON-U.S. PERSON IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION COMPLYING WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN U.S.\$100,000 FOR THE PURCHASER AND FOR EACH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS ACTING AND, IN CASE OF CLAUSE (1), TO A PURCHASER THAT (W) IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WITH EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER), (X) TO THE EXTENT THE PURCHASER (OR ANY ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS PURCHASING THE NOTES) IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS, (Y) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN U.S.\$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS, AND (Z) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE (B) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE STATES OF THE UNITED STATES. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST

HEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS TRANSFEREE. EACH PURCHASER OF THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE CO-ISSUERS, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE CO-ISSUERS MAINTAIN THE RIGHT TO RESELL NOTES OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED U.S. HOLDERS (AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE INDENTURE.

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

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE AND ANY PAYING AGENT WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR SUCCESSOR APPLICABLE FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A “UNITED STATES PERSON” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE “CODE”) OR AN APPLICABLE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR SUCCESSOR APPLICABLE FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A “UNITED STATES PERSON” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THIS NOTE.

THE PURCHASER HEREOF, BY PURCHASING THIS NOTE, AGREES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CO-ISSUERS THAT THIS NOTE AND ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT TO A PERSON THAT REPRESENTS, WARRANTS AND COVENANTS THAT EITHER (I) IT IS NOT, AND IS NOT USING THE ASSETS OF, AND THROUGHOUT THE HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF SUCH NOTES WILL NOT BECOME OR TRANSFER ITS INTEREST TO, AN “EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN” SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF THE UNITED STATES EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED (“ERISA”), A “PLAN” SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE “CODE”), OR AN ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE THE ASSETS OF ANY SUCH PLAN, OR A GOVERNMENTAL OR CHURCH PLAN SUBJECT TO ANY FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL LAW THAT IS SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE OR (II) ITS PURCHASE, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF THIS NOTE WILL NOT RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE (OR IN THE CASE OF ANY GOVERNMENTAL OR CHURCH PLAN, A VIOLATION OF ANY FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL LAW SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE) BECAUSE SUCH PURCHASE, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF SUCH



NOTE EITHER (A) IS NOT, AND WILL NOT BECOME, SUBJECT TO SUCH LAWS, OR (B) IS COVERED BY AN EXEMPTION FROM ALL APPLICABLE PROHIBITED TRANSACTIONS, ALL OF THE CONDITIONS OF WHICH ARE AND WILL BE SATISFIED UPON THE ACQUISITION OF, AND THROUGHOUT ITS HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF, THIS NOTE. ANY PURPORTED TRANSFER OF THIS NOTE THAT DOES NOT COMPLY WITH THESE REQUIREMENTS SHALL BE NULL AND VOID *AB INITIO*.

EACH TRANSFEREE OF THE NOTE REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL, IF REQUIRED BY THE INDENTURE, BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE INDENTURE OR WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE.

(7) The purchaser will provide notice to each person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Senior Notes of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Indenture, including the exhibits referenced therein.

(8) The purchaser understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein who is a U.S. Person and who is determined not to have been both (i) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (ii) a Qualified Purchaser at the time of acquisition of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein to sell such interest, or to sell such interest on behalf of such purchaser, to a person that is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A or to a person that is a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S.

(9) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Senior Notes, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase Senior Notes from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell such Senior Note to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(10) The purchaser understands that the Stated Maturity of the Senior Notes is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

(11) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Co-Issuers that would permit a public offering of the Senior Notes in any jurisdiction. The purchaser further acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Co-Issuers that would permit possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Senior Notes in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the offering memorandum relating to the Senior Notes shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Senior Notes in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

(12) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

(13) (a) Either (i) the purchaser is not, and is not using the assets of, and throughout the holding and disposition of the Senior Notes will not become or transfer its interest to, an employee benefit plan subject to Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”), a plan subject to Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “Code”) or a governmental or church plan which is subject to any federal, state or local law that is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or (ii) the purchaser’s purchase, holding and disposition of such Senior Notes will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental or church plan, a violation of any federal, state or local law that is substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code) because such purchase, holding and disposition of such Senior Notes either (x) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws, or (y) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all of the conditions of which are and will be satisfied upon the acquisition of, and throughout its holding and disposition of, such Senior Notes; (b) the purchaser shall not transfer an interest in such Senior Notes to any transferee unless such transferee meets the foregoing requirements; and (c) the purchaser and any fiduciaries or other Person causing it to acquire such Senior Notes agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Placement Agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of such purchaser not meeting the foregoing requirements or as a result of its transferring its interest to a transferee not meeting the foregoing requirements. Any purported purchase or transfer of the Senior Notes to a purchaser or transferee that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph (13) shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(14) The purchaser understands that the Co-Issuers may receive a list of participants holding positions in its securities from one or more book-entry depositories.

(15) The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Senior Notes or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Indenture, to which provisions the purchaser hereby agrees it is subject.

(16) The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

(17) The beneficial owner will agree to treat the Senior Notes as unconditional debt of the Issuer for tax, accounting and financial reporting purposes.

(18) To the extent required, as determined by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Trustee, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Senior Notes to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the USA PATRIOT Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Senior Note to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

(19) The purchaser understands that, to the extent required, as determined by the Co-Issuers, the Co-Issuers may amend the Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer only, the Preference Share Documents, without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders of the Securities that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any

requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7 if, at any time following the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers elect to rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7).

(20) The purchaser understands that the Issuer may enter into amendments or modifications to the Servicing Agreement without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities.

(21) The purchaser agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

(22) The purchaser acknowledges that the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Placement Agent and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Co-Issuers, the Servicer and the Placement Agent. If the purchaser is acquiring any Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein as a fiduciary or agent for one or more institutional accounts, it represents that it has sole investment discretion with respect to each such account and it has full power to make the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements on behalf of such account.

(23) It is aware that, except as otherwise provided in the Indenture, the Senior Notes being sold to it will be represented by one or more Global Notes, and that beneficial interests therein may be held only through DTC.

#### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Regulation S Global Notes**

Each purchaser of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note will be further deemed (and each transferee of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note will be required or deemed), in addition to making the representations set forth in paragraphs (3) through (7) and (9) through (22) above in “—Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes,” to represent and agree as follows:

The purchaser is aware that the Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or any other applicable state securities law and the sale of such Notes or any beneficial interest therein to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Regulation S and understands that the Notes offered in reliance on Regulation S will bear the appropriate legend set forth in paragraph (6) above in “—Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes” and will be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Notes. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Co-Issuers or the Placement Agent as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any other jurisdiction for resale of the Notes. The purchaser and each beneficial owner of the Notes or any beneficial interest therein that it holds is not, and will not be, a U.S. Person as defined in Regulation S and its purchase of the Notes or any beneficial interest therein will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located and will be in a principal amount of not less than U.S.\$100,000. The purchaser understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to compel any Holder of a Regulation S Global Notes or any beneficial interest therein who is determined not to be a non-U.S. Person acquiring such interest in an offshore transaction under Regulation S at the time of its acquisition of such Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein to sell such interest, or to sell such interest on behalf of such purchaser, to a person that is either (i) both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction meeting the

requirements of Rule 144A and in a principal amount of not less than U.S.\$250,000 or (ii) a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S. The purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Notes or any beneficial interest therein, and it, and any accounts for which it is acting are each able to bear the economic risk of its investment. Before any interest in a Regulation S Global Note may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note, the transferor and the transferee will be required to provide the Trustee with written certifications as to compliance with the transfer restrictions and such transferee may only accept a transfer in a principal amount of not less than U.S.\$250,000. In addition, it is aware that, except as otherwise provided in the Indenture, the Notes being sold to it will be represented by one or more Global Notes, and that beneficial interests therein may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream.

### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Certificated Class A-1B Notes**

Each purchaser of a beneficial interest in Certificated Class A-1B Notes will be required to provide to the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, in connection with the purchase or transfer of such Notes, a Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement (in the case of the initial purchaser thereof) or a written assignment and acceptance in the form attached as an exhibit to the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement in which such investor or transferee will make the following representations (on its own behalf, or if the purchaser is acquiring the Certificated Class A-1B Notes for any account, on behalf of each such account):

(1) (A) (i) The purchaser is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) is not a U.S. Person and is acquiring the Class A-1B Notes in an offshore transaction in accordance with Regulation S, (B) the purchaser is purchasing the Class A-1B Notes for its own account or the account of another Qualified Purchaser as to which the purchaser exercises sole investment discretion, (C) the purchaser and any such account is acquiring the Class A-1B Notes as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (D) the purchaser and any such account was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Class A-1B Notes (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (E) to the extent the purchaser (or any account for which it is purchasing the Class A-1B Notes) is a private investment company formed on or before April 30, 1996, the purchaser and each such account has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (F) the purchaser is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than U.S.\$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (G) the purchaser is not a pension, profit-sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants or affiliates may designate the particular investment to be made, (H) the purchaser agrees that it and each such account shall not hold such Class A-1B Notes for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Class A-1B Notes or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the distributions on the Class A-1B Notes (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (I) the Class A-1B Notes purchased directly or indirectly by the purchaser or any account for which it is purchasing the Class A-1B Notes constitute an investment of no more than 40% of the purchaser's and each such account's assets (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (J) the purchaser and each such account is purchasing the Class A-1B Notes in a principal amount of not less than the minimum denomination requirement for the purchaser and each such account, (K) the purchaser will provide notice of the transfer restrictions set forth in the Indenture (including the exhibits thereto) to any transferee of its Class A-1B Notes, (L) any

purchaser that acquired the Class A-1B Notes prior to the end of the Delayed Drawdown Period is not a Benefit Plan Investor and (M) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Class A-1B Notes to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph (1) shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(2) The purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Class A-1B Notes, and the purchaser, and any account for which it is acting, are each able to bear the economic risk of the purchaser's or its investment.

(3) The purchaser understands that the Class A-1B Notes are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Class A-1B Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Class A-1B Notes or any beneficial interest therein, such Class A-1B Notes or any beneficial interest therein may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the applicable legend in respect of such Class A-1B Notes set forth in paragraph (6) below, the restrictions set forth in the Indenture and the restrictions set forth in the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Delayed Drawdown Agent or the Placement Agent as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Class A-1B Notes.

(4) The purchaser is not purchasing the Class A-1B Notes or any beneficial interest therein with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Class A-1B Notes involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of its entire investment in the Class A-1B Notes under certain circumstances. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Co-Issuers, the Class A-1B Notes and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Class A-1B Notes or any beneficial interest therein, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Co-Issuers and the Placement Agent.

(5) In connection with the purchase of Class A-1B Notes or any beneficial interest therein (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Servicer by any Affiliate of or account serviced by the Servicer): (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Servicer or their respective Affiliates is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for the purchaser, (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates other than in the Offering Memorandum and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other person) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of the Class A-1B Notes or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions

(including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the Indenture) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Class A-1B Notes or any beneficial interest therein reflect those in relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) if the purchaser is acting for the account of another investor, the purchaser represents that the investment on behalf of such account is based on a determination that the investment is suitable based on the risks referred to in this Offering Memorandum (including, without limitation, the “Risk Factors” and the “Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes”), given the investment objectives of the account for which the purchase is being made, and that the investment is consistent with any applicable legal requirements; (vii) the purchaser is purchasing the Class A-1B Notes or any beneficial interest therein with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (viii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

(6) The purchaser understands that the Class A-1B Notes offered in reliance on the exemption from the registration requirements under the Securities Act provided by Section 4(2) (a) will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Co-Issuers determine otherwise in accordance with applicable law, (b) will be represented by one or more Certificated Class A-1B Notes, (c) may at any time be resold, pledged or transferred only to (i) U.S. Persons that are both Qualified Institutional Buyers and Qualified Purchasers or (ii) non-U.S. Persons in an offshore transaction in reliance on Regulation S.

THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “**SECURITIES ACT**”), AND THE CO-ISSUERS HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**”). THE PURCHASER HEREOF, BY PURCHASING THIS NOTE, AGREES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CO-ISSUERS THAT THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN MAY BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, ONLY (A)(1) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT SO LONG AS THIS NOTE IS ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A OR (2) TO A NON-U.S. PERSON IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION COMPLYING WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND, IN CASE OF CLAUSE (1), TO A PURCHASER THAT (W) IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WITH EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER), (X) TO THE EXTENT THE PURCHASER (OR ANY ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS PURCHASING THE NOTES) IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS, (Y) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN U.S.\$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS, AND (Z) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR

AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE, (B) IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN U.S.\$250,000 FOR THE PURCHASER AND FOR EACH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS ACTING AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE STATES OF THE UNITED STATES. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS TRANSFEREE. EACH PURCHASER OF THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE CO-ISSUERS, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE CO-ISSUERS MAINTAIN THE RIGHT TO RESELL NOTES OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED U.S. HOLDERS (AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE INDENTURE.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE AND ANY PAYING AGENT WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR SUCCESSOR APPLICABLE FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE") OR AN APPLICABLE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR SUCCESSOR APPLICABLE FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THIS NOTE.

THE PURCHASER HEREOF, BY PURCHASING THIS NOTE, AGREES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CO-ISSUERS THAT THIS NOTE AND ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT TO A PERSON THAT REPRESENTS, WARRANTS AND COVENANTS THAT EITHER (I) IT IS NOT, AND IS NOT USING THE ASSETS OF, AND THROUGHOUT THE HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF SUCH NOTES WILL NOT BECOME OR TRANSFER ITS INTEREST TO, AN "EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN" SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF THE UNITED STATES EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA"), A "PLAN" SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE"), OR AN ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE THE ASSETS OF ANY SUCH PLAN, OR A GOVERNMENTAL OR CHURCH PLAN SUBJECT TO ANY FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL LAW THAT IS SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE OR (II) AFTER THE END OF THE DELAYED DRAWDOWN PERIOD, ITS PURCHASE, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF THIS NOTE WILL NOT RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE (OR IN THE CASE OF ANY GOVERNMENTAL OR CHURCH PLAN, A VIOLATION OF ANY FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL LAW SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE) BECAUSE SUCH PURCHASE, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF SUCH NOTE EITHER (A) IS NOT, AND WILL NOT BECOME, SUBJECT TO SUCH LAWS, OR (B) IS COVERED BY AN EXEMPTION FROM ALL APPLICABLE PROHIBITED TRANSACTIONS, ALL OF THE CONDITIONS OF WHICH ARE AND WILL BE SATISFIED UPON THE ACQUISITION OF, AND THROUGHOUT ITS HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF, THIS NOTE. ANY PURPORTED

TRANSFER OF THIS NOTE THAT DOES NOT COMPLY WITH THESE REQUIREMENTS SHALL BE NULL AND VOID *AB INITIO*.

EACH TRANSFEREE OF THE NOTE REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL, DURING THE DELAYED DRAWDOWN PERIOD ONLY, BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A WRITTEN ASSIGNMENT AND ACCEPTANCE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE CLASS A-1B NOTE PURCHASE AGREEMENT.

(7) The purchaser will provide notice to each person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Class A-1B Notes of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Indenture and the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement, including the exhibits referenced therein.

(8) The purchaser understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Class A-1B Notes or any beneficial interest therein who is determined not to have been (i) both (A) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (B) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) a non-U.S. Person acquiring such Notes in an offshore transaction in reliance on Regulation S at the time of acquisition of the Class A-1B Notes or any beneficial interest therein to sell such interest, or to sell such interest on behalf of such purchaser, to a person that is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A or to a person that is a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S.

(9) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Class A-1B Notes, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase Senior Notes from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell such Class A-1B Note to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(10) The purchaser understands that the Stated Maturity of the Class A-1B Notes is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

(11) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Co-Issuers that would permit a public offering of the Class A-1B Notes in any jurisdiction. The purchaser further acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Co-Issuers that would permit possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Class A-1B Notes in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the Offering Memorandum relating to the Class A-1B Notes shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Class A-1B Notes in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

(12) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Class A-1B Notes or any beneficial interest therein by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.



(13) (a) Either (i) the purchaser is not, and is not using the assets of, and throughout the holding and disposition of the Class A-1B Notes will not become or transfer its interest to, an employee benefit plan subject to Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”), a plan subject to Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “Code”) or a governmental or church plan which is subject to any federal, state or local law that is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or (ii) after the end of the Delayed Drawdown Period, the purchaser’s purchase, holding and disposition of such Class A-1B Notes will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental or church plan, a violation of any federal, state or local law that is substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code) because such purchase, holding and disposition of such Class A-1B Notes either (x) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws, or (y) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all of the conditions of which are and will be satisfied upon the acquisition of, and throughout its holding and disposition of, such Class A-1B Notes; (b) the purchaser shall not transfer an interest in such Class A-1B Notes to any transferee unless such transferee meets the foregoing requirements; and (c) the purchaser and any fiduciaries or other Person causing it to acquire such Class A-1B Notes agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Servicer, the Placement Agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of such purchaser not meeting the foregoing requirements or as a result of its transferring its interest to a transferee not meeting the foregoing requirements. Any purported purchase or transfer of the Senior Notes to a purchaser or transferee that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph (13) shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(14) The purchaser understands that the Co-Issuers may receive a list of participants holding positions in its securities from one or more book-entry depositories.

(15) The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Class A-1B Notes or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Indenture, to which provisions the purchaser hereby agrees it is subject.

(16) The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

(17) The beneficial owner will agree to treat the Class A-1B Notes as unconditional debt of the Issuer for tax, accounting and financial reporting purposes.

(18) To the extent required, as determined by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Trustee, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Class A-1B Notes to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the USA PATRIOT Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Class A-1B Note to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

(19) The purchaser understands that, to the extent required, as determined by the Co-Issuers, the Co-Issuers may amend the Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer only, the Preference Share Documents, without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders

of the Securities that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7 if, at any time following the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers elect to rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7).

(20) The purchaser understands that the Issuer may enter into amendments or modifications to the Servicing Agreement without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities.

(21) The purchaser agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

(22) The purchaser acknowledges that the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Placement Agent and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Class A-1B Notes or any beneficial interest therein are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Co-Issuers, the Servicer and the Placement Agent. If the purchaser is acquiring any Class A-1B Notes or any beneficial interest therein as a fiduciary or agent for one or more institutional accounts, it represents that it has sole investment discretion with respect to each such account and it has full power to make the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements on behalf of such account.

#### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Class D Notes**

Each initial purchaser of Class D Notes acquiring such Class D Notes from the Issuer in the initial offering will be required to enter into a Subscription Agreement with the Issuer pursuant to which each such initial purchaser will be required to represent and agree (and each subsequent transferee will be required to represent and agree), on its own behalf, or if the purchaser is acquiring the Class D Notes for any account, on behalf of each such account, in each case as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A are used herein as defined therein):

(1) The purchaser is (i)(a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer or (b) an Institutional Accredited Investor and (ii) a Qualified Purchaser and is aware that the sale of Class D Notes to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements provided by Section 4(2) and is acquiring the Class D Notes for its own account or for one or more accounts, each of which is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer or (b) an Institutional Accredited Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser and as to each of which the purchaser exercises sole investment discretion. In addition, the purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Class D Notes, and the purchaser, and any accounts for which it is acting, are each able to bear the economic risk of the purchaser's or its investment.

(2) The purchaser understands that the Class D Notes are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Class D Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Class D Notes, such Class D Notes may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the legend in respect of such Class D Notes set forth in (7) below and the restrictions set forth in the Indenture. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made

by the Issuer, the Servicer or the Placement Agent or any of their respective Affiliates as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Class D Notes.

(3) The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Class D Notes or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Indenture, to which provisions the purchaser agrees it is subject.

(4) The purchaser is not purchasing the Class D Notes with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that the Class D Notes will be highly illiquid and are not suitable for short-term trading. The Class D Notes are a leveraged investment in the Collateral Obligations that may expose the Class D Notes to disproportionately large changes in value. Payments in respect of the Class D Notes are not guaranteed as they are dependent on the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Class D Notes involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of all or a substantial part of its investment. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Issuer, the Class D Notes and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Class D Notes, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Issuer and the Placement Agent.

(5) In connection with the purchase of Class D Notes (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Servicer by any Affiliate of or account serviced by the Servicer): (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty or the Servicer is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for the purchaser, (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates other than in the Offering Memorandum and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other Person or documentation for the Class D Notes) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of the Class D Notes or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the documentation for the Class D Notes) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Class D Notes reflect those in relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) if the purchaser is acting for the account of another investor, the purchaser represents that the investment on behalf of such account is based on a determination that the investment is suitable based on the risks referred to in this Offering Memorandum (including, without limitation, the "Risk Factors" and the "Transfer Restrictions Applicable to the Class D Notes"), given the

investment objectives of the account for which the purchase is being made, and that the investment is consistent with any applicable legal requirements; (vii) the purchaser is purchasing the Class D Notes with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (viii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

(6) (A) The purchaser and each account for which the purchaser is acquiring Class D Notes is (i)(a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer or (b) an Institutional Accredited Investor and (ii) a Qualified Purchaser, (B) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Class D Notes for any account, each such account) is acquiring the Class D Notes as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (C) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Class D Notes for any account, each such account) was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Class D Notes (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (D) to the extent the purchaser or any account for which the purchaser is acquiring Class D Notes is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, the purchaser or such account has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (E) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Class D Notes for any account, each such account) agrees that it shall not hold such Class D Notes for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Class D Notes or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or other distributions on the Class D Notes (except when each such other Person is (i)(a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer or (b) an Institutional Accredited Investor and (ii) a Qualified Purchaser) and (F) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Class D Notes to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(7) The purchaser understands that the Class D Notes (A) will be represented by either one or more Class D Note certificates which will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Issuer determines otherwise in accordance with applicable law, and (B) may only be resold, pledged or transferred to Qualified Institutional Buyers or Institutional Accredited Investors who are also Qualified Purchasers. The purchaser understands that before the Class D Notes may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred, the transferee will be required to provide the Trustee and the Issuer with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “**SECURITIES ACT**”), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**”). THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A)(I)(X) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER (“**QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER OR (Y) TO AN INSTITUTIONAL ACCREDITED INVESTOR WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 501(a)(1), (2), (3) OR (7) OF REGULATION D UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT (IN EACH CASE, IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE NOTES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A) WHO IS ALSO (II) A QUALIFIED PURCHASER (“**QUALIFIED PURCHASER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT

WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER) AND THAT HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (B) IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN U.S.\$100,000 FOR THE PURCHASER AND FOR EACH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS ACTING AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID *AB INITIO*, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL ANY NOTES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS OR NON-PERMITTED BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS (AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE INDENTURE.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER AND ANY PAYING AGENT, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE SERVICER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY.

EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE INDENTURE.

(8) The purchaser will provide notice to each Person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Class D Notes of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Indenture, including the exhibits referenced in the Indenture.

(9) The purchaser understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Class D Notes who is determined not to have been (i)(a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer or (b) an Institutional Investor and (ii) a Qualified Purchaser, at the time of acquisition of the Class D Notes to sell such Class D Notes, or to sell such Class D Notes on behalf of such purchaser, to a Person that is a (i)(a) Qualified Institutional Buyer or an Institutional Investor and (ii) a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act.

(10) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Class D Notes. The purchaser further acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof or supplement

thereto or any other offering material relating to the Securities in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the offering memorandum relating to the Class D Notes shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Class D Notes in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

(11) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Class D Notes, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase Class D Notes from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell such Class D Notes to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(12) The purchaser understands that the Stated Maturity of the Class D Notes is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

(13) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Class D Notes by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

(14) The beneficial owner will agree to treat, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, (a) the Preference Shares as equity of the Issuer, (b) the Notes as indebtedness of the Issuer and (c) the Issuer as a partnership (except to the extent the Issuer can no longer be treated as a partnership as a result of any election by the Issuer, changes in ownership of the Issuer or changes in the manner in which the equity of the Issuer is traded). The beneficial owner will be deemed to have acknowledged that the Issuer is not authorized to engage in activities that could cause it to constitute a finance or lending business for U.S. federal income tax purposes and agrees that it will report its investment in the Notes consistent with such limitation.

(15) The beneficial owner, if not a U.S. Person, either (i) is not a bank (within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code (as defined below in paragraph 23)) or (ii) is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States. The beneficial owner is not purchasing the Class D Notes in order to reduce its United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan.

(16) To the extent required, as determined by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Trustee and the Indenture Registrar, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Class D Notes to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the USA PATRIOT Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Class D Note to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

(17) The purchaser agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

(18) The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

(19) The beneficial owner will agree to treat the Class D Notes as unconditional debt of the Issuer for tax, accounting and financial reporting purposes.

(20) The purchaser understands that, prior to any sale or other transfer of any interest in Class D Notes, it (or the transferee, as applicable) will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Trustee a duly executed transfer certificate substantially in the form provided in the Indenture and such other certificates and other information as they may reasonably require to confirm that the proposed transfer complies with the restrictions in the legend placed on each certificate representing the Class D Notes and in the Indenture.

(21) The purchaser understands that, to the extent required, as determined by the Co-Issuers, the Co-Issuers may amend the Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer only, the Preference Share Documents, without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders of the Securities that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7 if, at any time following the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers elect to rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7).

(22) The purchaser understands that the Issuer may enter into amendments or modifications to the Servicing Agreement without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities.

(23) The purchaser understands and agrees that no purchase or transfer of the Class D Notes to a purchaser or transferee that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person under Section 3(42) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“**ERISA**”) and United States Department of Labor (“**DOL**”) Regulations 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 (collectively, the “**Plan Asset Regulation**”) will be effective, and the Issuer or the Indenture Registrar will not recognize or register such purchase or transfer, if such purchase or transfer would result in (i) Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding value of Class D Notes (determined pursuant to the Plan Asset Regulation and the Indenture) or (ii) a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “**Code**”) (or, in the case of a governmental or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar federal, state or local law). The purchaser or transferee further understands and agrees that any transfer in violation of the applicable provisions of the Indenture will be null and void *ab initio*. For purposes of the determination described in clause (i) of the preceding sentence, the Class D Notes held by the Trustee, the Servicer, any of their respective affiliates (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) and any other persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding unless such person is also a Benefit Plan Investor. The purchaser’s acquisition, holding and disposition of the Class D Notes will not result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental or church plan, any substantially similar federal, state or local law), because such purchase, holding and disposition either (a) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (b) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all conditions of which are and will be satisfied throughout its holding and disposition of such Class D Notes. The purchaser and any Person causing it to acquire the Class D Notes agree, to the fullest extent

permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Placement Agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage, or loss incurred by them as a result of a breach of the representations set forth in this paragraph (23) and paragraph (24). If the purchaser is an insurance company investing through its general account as defined in PTCE 95-60, for so long as it holds the Class D Notes, such purchaser shall meet the requirements pertaining to the percentage of the assets of such insurance company general account that can be treated as plan assets for purposes of calculating the 25% threshold under the significant participation test of the Plan Asset Regulation.

(24) (a) The funds that the purchaser is using or will use to purchase the Class D Notes are \_\_\_ / are not \_\_\_ (check one) assets of a person who is or at any time while the Class D Notes are held by the purchaser will be (A) an “employee benefit plan” subject to Part 4 of Title I of ERISA, (B) a “plan” to which Section 4975 of the Code applies or (C) an entity whose underlying assets would be deemed to include “plan assets” of either of the foregoing by reason of the investment by an employee benefit plan or other plan in the entity within the meaning of the Plan Asset Regulation or otherwise (the plans and persons described in clauses (A), (B) and (C) being referred to as “**Benefit Plan Investors**”)

(b) If the funds that the purchaser is using or will use are assets of an entity described in clause (a)(C) above, the maximum percentage of the entity's underlying assets it is anticipated might constitute “plan assets” during the period of its investment is [\_\_\_\_\_] %.

(c) The purchaser is \_\_\_ / is not \_\_\_ (check one) the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or any other person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer, or any “affiliate” (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) of any such person (any such person, a “**Controlling Person**”).

(25) The purchaser agrees to provide (and agrees it will cause any subsequent transferee of its Class D Notes to provide) the Indenture Registrar (1) appropriate documentation required under the Code and the applicable Treasury regulations establishing that the beneficial owner of the Class D Notes is either a non-U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-8BEN or an IRS Form W-8IMY with appropriate attachments) or a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-9) and (2) if such beneficial owner is treated as a partnership, S-corporation or grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a written representation from such beneficial owner that (i) there will not be any interests in such beneficial owner where substantially all of the value of such interest is attributable to the value of the Class D Notes proposed to be transferred to such beneficial owner, together with the value of any Class D Notes, Holding Preference Shares and Preference Shares already held by such beneficial owner and (ii) such beneficial owner is not a part of any arrangement a principal purpose of which is to cause the Class D Notes and Preference Shares to be treated as owned by 100 persons or less within the meaning of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h). The purchaser agrees to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form and other certificate in each of the following circumstances: (i) no later than 120 days prior to the expiration (if applicable) of the last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate, (ii) upon any change of circumstance that would cause that the last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate to be incorrect and (iii) upon a request by the Issuer or the Indenture Registrar. The purchaser agrees that if it fails to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form or other certificate no later than 120 days prior to the expiration of the last previously provided U.S. tax form or, if earlier, within the time specified in any request by the Issuer or the Indenture Registrar (which shall not be less than 30 days), the Issuer will have the unconditional right to



cause such purchaser to sell any and all Class D Notes to the Issuer or to a person chosen by the Issuer or the Issuer's agent on such terms as the Issuer may choose. For this purpose, an IRS Form W-8IMY (or any successor form thereto) will be deemed to expire upon the expiration of any withholding statement or U.S. tax forms associated with such IRS Form W-8IMY.

(26) The purchaser understands and agrees that the Issuer will not recognize any transfers of Class D Notes if the proposed transfer will cause the Issuer to have more than ninety-nine beneficial owners (as determined for purposes of the provisions of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h)) of its Class D Notes and Preference Shares unless it receives the consent of all of the Holders of the Preference Shares and an opinion of counsel to the effect that Holders of the Notes will not recognize gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such transfer, and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such transfer had not been made.

(27) The purchaser represents that it has not acquired the Class D Notes pursuant to a trade on an "established securities market" and agrees that it will not trade any Class D Notes on an "established securities market." For this purpose, the term "established securities market" includes any national securities exchange registered under Section 6 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or exempted from registration because of the limited volume of transaction; any foreign securities exchange that, under the laws of the jurisdiction where it is organized, satisfies regulatory requirements that are analogous to the regulatory requirements imposed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; any regional or local exchange; and any interdealer quotation system that regularly disseminates firm buy or sell quotations by identified brokers or dealers, by electronic means or otherwise. The purchaser understands and agrees that in the event that the purchaser acquires or trades the Class D Notes on an established securities market, as described above, the Issuer will not recognize any transfers of Class D Notes made pursuant to such acquisition or trade.

(28) The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer, the Trustee, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Servicer, the Placement Agent and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Class D Notes are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee and the Placement Agent. If the purchaser is acquiring any Class D Notes as a fiduciary or agent for one or more institutional accounts, it represents that it has sole investment discretion with respect to each such account and it has full power to make the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements on behalf of such account.

### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Preference Shares**

Each initial purchaser of Preference Shares acquiring such Preference Shares from the Issuer in the initial offering will be required to enter into a Subscription Agreement with the Issuer pursuant to which each such initial purchaser will be required to represent and agree (and each subsequent transferee will be required to represent and agree), on its own behalf, or if the purchaser is acquiring the Preference Shares for any account, on behalf of each such account, in each case as follows (except as set forth below, terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A are used herein as defined therein):

(1) The purchaser is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser and is aware that the sale of Preference Shares to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements provided by Section 4(2) and is acquiring the Preference Shares for its own account or for one or more accounts, each of which is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and as

to each of which the purchaser exercises sole investment discretion, and in a number not less than the minimum lot for the purchaser and each such account. In addition, the purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Preference Shares, and the purchaser, and any accounts for which it is acting, are each able to bear the economic risk of the purchaser's or its investment.

(2) The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Preference Shares have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Preference Shares, such Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the legend in respect of such Preference Shares set forth in (7) below and the restrictions set forth in the Preference Share Documents. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Issuer, the Servicer or the Placement Agent or any of their respective Affiliates as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Preference Shares.

(3) The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Preference Shares or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Preference Share Documents, to which provisions the purchaser agrees it is subject.

(4) The purchaser is not purchasing the Preference Shares with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares will be highly illiquid and are not suitable for short-term trading. The Preference Shares are a leveraged investment in the Collateral Obligations that may expose the Preference Shares to disproportionately large changes in value. Payments in respect of the Preference Shares are not guaranteed as they are dependent on the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations. The purchaser understands that it is possible that, due to the structure of the transaction and the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations, dividends or other distributions in respect of the Preference Shares may be reduced or eliminated entirely. Furthermore, the Preference Shares constitute equity in the Issuer, are not secured by the Collateral and will rank behind all creditors (secured and unsecured and whether known or unknown) of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the Holders of the Notes, and any Hedge Counterparties. The Issuer has assets limited to the Collateral for payment of all Classes of the Notes and dividends and other distributions on the Preference Shares, and the Preference Shares bear, *pro rata*, the first risk of loss. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Preference Shares involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of all or a substantial part of its investment. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Issuer, the Preference Shares and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Preference Shares, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Issuer and the Placement Agent.

(5) In connection with the purchase of Preference Shares (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Servicer by any Affiliate of or account serviced by the Servicer): (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for the purchaser, (ii) the purchaser is not

relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates other than in the Offering Memorandum for such Preference Shares and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other Person or documentation for the Preference Shares) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of the Preference Shares or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the documentation for the Preference Shares) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Preference Shares reflect those in relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) if the purchaser is acting for the account of another investor, the purchaser represents that the investment on behalf of such account is based on a determination that the investment is suitable based on the risks referred to in this Offering Memorandum (including, without limitation, the “Risk Factors” and the “Transfer Restrictions Applicable to the Preference Shares”), given the investment objectives of the account for which the purchase is being made, and that the investment is consistent with any applicable legal requirements; (vii) the purchaser is purchasing the Preference Shares with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (viii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

(6) (A) The purchaser and each account for which the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (b) a Qualified Purchaser, (B) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares for any account, each such account) is acquiring the Preference Shares as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (C) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares for any account, each such account) was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Preference Shares (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (D) to the extent the purchaser or any account for which the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, the purchaser or such account has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (E) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares for any account, each such account) agrees that it shall not hold such Preference Shares for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Preference Shares or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or other distributions on the Preference Shares (except when each such other Person is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (b) a Qualified Purchaser) and (F) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Preference Shares to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(7) The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares (A) will be represented by either one or more Preference Share certificates which will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Issuer determines otherwise in accordance with applicable law, and (B) may only be resold, pledged or transferred to (a) Qualified Institutional Buyers who are also Qualified Purchasers. The purchaser understands that before the Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred, the transferee will be required to provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Issuer with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “**SECURITIES ACT**”), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**”). THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER (“**QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER (IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE PREFERENCE SHARES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A) WHO IS ALSO A QUALIFIED PURCHASER (“**QUALIFIED PURCHASER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER) AND THAT HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (B) IN EACH CASE, IN A NUMBER OF NOT LESS THAN 100 PREFERENCE SHARES FOR THE PURCHASER AND FOR EACH SUCH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS ACTING AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID *AB INITIO*, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL ANY PREFERENCE SHARES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS OR NON-PERMITTED BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS (AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER AND ANY PAYING AGENT, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE SERVICER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A “UNITED STATES PERSON” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8

(OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A “UNITED STATES PERSON” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY.

EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

(8) The purchaser will provide notice to each Person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Preference Shares of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Preference Share Documents, including the exhibits referenced in the Preference Share Documents.

(9) The purchaser understands that the Preference Share Documents permit the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Preference Shares who is determined not to have been (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, at the time of acquisition of the Preference Shares to sell such Preference Shares, or to sell such Preference Shares on behalf of such purchaser, to a Person that is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act.

(10) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Preference Shares. The purchaser further acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Securities in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the offering memorandum relating to the Preference Shares shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Preference Shares in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

(11) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Preference Shares, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase Preference Shares from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof (or, with respect to any Preference Shares held by Investors Corp., to purchase the Holding Preference Shares from any Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder thereof), in each case, at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder or Non-Consenting Holding Preference Shares Holder will be required to sell such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be, to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(12) The purchaser understands that the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

(13) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Preference Shares by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

(14) The beneficial owner will agree to treat, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, (a) the Preference Shares as equity of the Issuer, (b) the Notes as indebtedness of the Issuer and (c) the Issuer as a partnership (except to the extent the Issuer can no longer be treated as a partnership as a result of any election by the Issuer, changes in ownership of the Issuer or changes in the manner in which the equity of the Issuer is traded). The beneficial owner will be deemed to have acknowledged that the Issuer is not authorized to engage in activities that could cause it to constitute a finance or lending business for U.S. federal income tax purposes and agrees that it will report its investment in Preference Shares consistent with such limitation.

(15) The beneficial owner, if not a U.S. Person, either (i) is not a bank (within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code (as defined below in paragraph 23)) or (ii) is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States. The beneficial owner is not purchasing the Preference Shares in order to reduce its United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan.

(16) To the extent required, as determined by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Preference Shares to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the U.S. Patriot Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Preference Share to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

(17) The purchaser agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

(18) The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

(19) The purchaser understands that, prior to any sale or other transfer of any interest in Preference Shares, it (or the transferee, as applicable) will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent a duly executed transfer certificate substantially in the form provided in the Preference Share Documents and such other certificates and other information as they may reasonably require to confirm that the proposed transfer complies with the restrictions in the legend placed on each certificate representing the Preference Shares and in the Preference Share Documents.

(20) The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer has the right pursuant to Section 6 of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement to issue additional Preference Shares.

(21) The purchaser understands that, to the extent required, as determined by the Co-Issuers, the Co-Issuers may amend the Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer only, the Preference Share Documents without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders of the Securities that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7 if, at any time following the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers elect to rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7).

(22) The purchaser understands that the Issuer may enter into amendments or modifications to the Servicing Agreement without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities.

(23) The purchaser understands and agrees that no purchase or transfer of the Preference Shares to a purchaser or transferee that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person under Section 3(42) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“**ERISA**”) and United States Department of Labor (“**DOL**”) Regulations 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 (collectively, the “**Plan Asset Regulation**”) will be effective, and the Issuer or the Share Registrar will not recognize or register such purchase or transfer, if such purchase or transfer would result in (i) Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding value of Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares (determined pursuant to the Plan Asset Regulation, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents) or (ii) a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “**Code**”) (or, in the case of a governmental or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar federal, state or local law). The purchaser or transferee further understands and agrees that any transfer in violation of the applicable provisions of the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents will be null and void *ab initio*. For purposes of the determination described in clause (i) of the preceding sentence, the Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares held by the Trustee, the Servicer, any of their respective affiliates (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) and any other persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding unless such person is also a Benefit Plan Investor. The purchaser’s acquisition, holding and disposition of the Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares will not result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar federal, state or local law), because such purchase, holding and disposition either (a) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (b) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all conditions of which are and will be satisfied throughout its holding and disposition of such Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares. The purchaser and any Person causing it to acquire the Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Placement Agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage, or loss incurred by them as a result of a breach of the representations set forth in this paragraph (23) and paragraph (24). If the purchaser is an insurance company investing through its general account as defined in PTCE 95-60, for so long as it holds the Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares, such purchaser shall meet the requirements pertaining to the percentage of the assets of such insurance company general account that can be treated as plan assets for purposes of calculating the 25% threshold under the significant participation test of the Plan Asset Regulation.

(24) (a) The funds that the purchaser is using or will use to purchase the Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares are\_\_\_\_ / are not\_\_\_\_ (check one) assets of a person who is or at any time while the Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares are held by the purchaser will be (A) an “employee benefit plan” subject to Part 4 of Title I of ERISA, (B) a “plan” to which Section 4975 of the Code applies or (C) an entity whose underlying assets would be deemed to include “plan assets” of either of the foregoing by reason of the investment by an employee benefit plan or other plan in the entity within the meaning of the Plan Asset Regulation or otherwise (the plans and persons described in clauses (A), (B) and (C) being referred to as “**Benefit Plan Investors**”).

(b) If the funds that the purchaser is using or will use are assets of an entity described in clause (a)(C) above, the maximum percentage of the entity's underlying assets it is anticipated might constitute "plan assets" during the period of its investment is [\_\_\_\_\_] %.

(c) The purchaser is \_\_\_ / is not \_\_\_ (check one) the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or any other person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer, or any "affiliate" (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) of any such person (any such person, a **"Controlling Person"**).

(25) The purchaser agrees to provide (and agrees it will cause any subsequent transferee of its Preference Shares to provide) the Share Registrar (1) appropriate documentation required under the Code and the applicable Treasury regulations establishing that the beneficial owner of the Preference Shares to be transferred is either a non-U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-8BEN or an IRS Form W-8IMY with appropriate attachments) or a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-9) and (2) if such beneficial owner is treated as a partnership, S-corporation or grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a written representation from such beneficial owner that (i) there will not be any interests in such beneficial owner where substantially all of the value of such interest is attributable to the value of the Preference Shares proposed to be transferred to such beneficial owner, together with the value of any Class D Notes, Holding Preference Shares and Preference Shares already held by such beneficial owner and (ii) such beneficial owner is not a part of any arrangement a principal purpose of which is to cause the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares to be treated as owned by 100 persons or less within the meaning of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h). The purchaser agrees to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form and other certificate in each of the following circumstances: (i) no later than 120 days prior to the expiration (if applicable) of the last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate, (ii) upon any change of circumstance that would cause that the last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate to be incorrect and (iii) upon a request by the Issuer or the Share Registrar. The purchaser agrees that if it fails to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form or other certificate no later than 120 days prior to the expiration of the last previously provided U.S. tax form or, if earlier, within the time specified in any request by the Issuer or the Share Registrar (which shall not be less than 30 days), the Issuer will have the unconditional right to cause such purchaser to sell any and all Preference Shares to the Issuer or to a person chosen by the Issuer or the Issuer's agent on such terms as the Issuer may choose. For this purpose, an IRS Form W-8IMY (or any successor form thereto) will be deemed to expire upon the expiration of any withholding statement or U.S. tax forms associated with such IRS Form W-8IMY.

(26) The purchaser understands and agrees that the Issuer will not recognize any transfers of Preference Shares if the proposed transfer will cause the Issuer to have either (a) exactly one beneficial owner or (b) more than ninety-nine beneficial owners (as determined for purposes of the provisions of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h)) of its Class D Notes and its Preference Shares unless, in the case of clause (b), it receives the consent of all of the Holders of the Preference Shares and an opinion of counsel to the effect that Holders of the Notes will not recognize gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such transfer, and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such transfer had not been made.

(27) The purchaser represents that it has not acquired the Preference Shares pursuant to a trade on an "established securities market" and agrees that it will not trade any Preference Shares on an "established securities market." For this purpose, the term "established securities



market” includes any national securities exchange registered under Section 6 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or exempted from registration because of the limited volume of transaction; any foreign securities exchange that, under the laws of the jurisdiction where it is organized, satisfies regulatory requirements that are analogous to the regulatory requirements imposed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; any regional or local exchange; and any interdealer quotation system that regularly disseminates firm buy or sell quotations by identified brokers or dealers, by electronic means or otherwise. The purchaser understands and agrees that in the event that the purchaser acquires or trades the Preference Shares on an established securities market, as described above, the Issuer will not recognize any transfers of Preference Shares made pursuant to such acquisition or trade.

(28) The purchaser is \_\_\_ / is not \_\_\_ (check one) Highland Financial Partners, L.P. or any of its subsidiaries.

(29) The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Placement Agent and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Preference Shares are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee and the Placement Agent. If it is acquiring any Preference Shares as a fiduciary or agent for one or more institutional accounts, it represents that it has sole investment discretion with respect to each such account and it has full power to make the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements on behalf of such account.

### **LISTING AND GENERAL INFORMATION**

1. The Issuer and the Co-Issuer accept responsibility for the information contained in this document. To the best knowledge and belief of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, the information contained in this document is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

2. Application will be made to list the Senior Notes on the ISE. However, there can be no assurance that any admission will be granted or maintained. The total cost of such listing is expected to be €5,190.

3. As long as any of the Senior Notes are Outstanding and listed on the ISE, copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer, the Administration Agreement, the Resolutions, the resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer authorizing the issuance of the Senior Notes, the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, any Hedge Agreement and the Monthly Report will be available for inspection at the offices of the Co-Issuers and the Irish Paying Agent in the City of Dublin, where copies thereof may be obtained upon request in printed form.

4. Copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer, the Administration Agreement, the Resolutions, the resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer authorizing the issuance of the Senior Notes, the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, any Hedge Agreement and the Monthly Report prepared by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer containing information relating to the Collateral will be available for inspection so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding at the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee.

5. Each of the Co-Issuers represents that as of the date of this Offering Memorandum, there has been no material adverse change in its financial position since its date of incorporation. Since its date of incorporation, neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has commenced operations, other than the Issuer purchasing certain Collateral Obligations and selling participation interests therein pursuant to the Warehouse Agreement preparatory to the offering of the Securities, and no annual reports or accounts have been prepared as of the date of this Offering Memorandum.

6. The Co-Issuers are not involved in any governmental, litigation or arbitration proceedings (including any such proceedings which are pending or threatened of which the Co-Issuers are aware) which may have or have had within the last twelve (12) months a significant effect on the financial position of the Co-Issuers.

7. The issuance of the Securities was authorized and approved by the Board of Directors of the Issuer by the Resolutions. The issuance of the Senior Notes was authorized and approved by the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer by resolutions passed on or before the Closing Date.

8. Since the date of their incorporation, no financial statements of the Co-Issuers have been prepared. The Issuer is not required by Cayman Islands law to publish financial statements, and does not intend to publish any financial statements. The Issuer is required to provide written confirmation to the Trustee, on an annual basis, that no Event of Default or other matter that is required to be brought to the Trustee's attention has occurred.

9. The Co-Issuers do not intend to provide post-issuance transaction information regarding the Senior Notes or the performance of the Collateral.

### IDENTIFYING NUMBERS

The Senior Notes sold in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S and represented by Regulation S Global Notes have been accepted for clearance under the Common Codes in the table below. The table also lists the CUSIP Numbers and the International Securities Identification Numbers (ISIN).

Security	CUSIP	Common Code	ISIN
<b>Class A-1A Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	107265AA8	N/A	US107265AA84
Regulation S Global Notes	G13307AA4	027695850	USG13307AA45
<b>Class A-1B Notes</b>			
Certificated Class A-1B Notes	107265AM2	N/A	US107265AM23
Rule 144A Global Notes	107265AA8	N/A	US107265AA84
Regulation S Global Notes	G13307AA4	027695850	USG13307AA45
<b>Class A-2 Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	107265AC4	N/A	US107265AC41
Regulation S Global Notes	G13307AB2	027695922	USG13307AB28
<b>Class B Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	107265AE0	N/A	US107265AE07
Regulation S Global Notes	G13307AC0	027696007	USG13307AC01

<b>Security</b>	<b>CUSIP</b>	<b>Common Code</b>	<b>ISIN</b>
<b>Class C Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	107265AG5	N/A	US107265AG54
Regulation S Global Notes	G13307AD8	027696066	USG13307AD83
<b>Class D Notes</b>			
Certificated Class D Notes	107265AK6	N/A	US107265AK66
<b>Class I Preference Shares</b>			
Certificated Preference Shares	107264202	N/A	US1072642028
<b>Class II Preference Shares</b>			
Certificated Preference Shares	107264400	N/A	US1072644008

### **LEGAL MATTERS**

Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Co-Issuers and the Placement Agent by Dechert LLP, Charlotte, North Carolina. Certain matters with respect to Cayman Islands corporate law and tax law will be passed upon for the Issuer by Maples and Calder, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Servicer by Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe, LLP, Los Angeles, California. Certain legal matters relating to Delaware law will be passed upon by Pepper Hamilton LLP, Wilmington, Delaware.

## GLOSSARY OF DEFINED TERMS

**“Accrued Interest On Sale”** means interest accrued on a Collateral Obligation at the time of sale or other disposition to the extent paid to the Issuer as part of the sale or other disposition price of the Collateral Obligation after deduction of any amount representing Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal”** means (i) interest accrued on or purchased with a Collateral Obligation as part of the price paid by the Issuer to acquire the Collateral Obligation less any amount of Interest Proceeds (applied as Interest Proceeds) applied by the Issuer to acquire the accrued interest at the time of purchase and (ii) interest accrued on a Warehoused Loan as part of the price paid by the Issuer to repurchase and terminate the related participation under the Warehouse Agreement.

**“Act”** means any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action to be given or taken by Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares under the Indenture embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments (which may be an electronic document, including, but not limited to, in the form of e-mail, to the extent permitted by applicable law) of substantially similar tenor signed by Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares in person or by agents duly appointed in writing (*provided* that no signature shall be required on electronic documents, including, but not limited to, in the form of e-mail to the extent permitted by law). Except as otherwise expressly provided in the Indenture the action shall become effective when the instruments are delivered to the Trustee (which instrument or instruments may be delivered through the Preference Shares Paying Agent, in the case of the Holders of the Preference Shares) and, if expressly required, to the Issuer. The instruments (and the action embodied in them) are referred to as the **“Act”** of the Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares signing the instruments.

**“Administrative Expense Cap”** means, an amount on any Payment Date equal to the excess of:

(i) the sum of 0.055% of the Maximum Amount on the related Determination Date plus U.S.\$200,000; *over*

(ii) the sum of the amounts paid for Administrative Expenses in the twelve months preceding the current Payment Date.

**“Administrative Expenses”** means amounts due or accrued representing:

(i) tax preparation, filing, and registration fees or expenses and any other filing and registration fees owed by the Co-Issuers or Investors Corp. (including all filing, registration and annual return fees payable to the Cayman Islands government and registered office fees);

(ii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Trustee (including all amounts under Section 6.7 of the Indenture), the Administrator, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Collateral Administrator;

(iii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Co-Issuers and Investors Corp. and of accountants, agents and counsel for each of the Co-Issuers and Investors Corp.;

(iv) fees and expenses of the Rating Agencies in connection with any rating of the Notes owed by either Co-Issuer (including fees and expenses for ongoing surveillance, credit estimates and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies);

(v) expenses and indemnities (but not Servicing Fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;

(vi) fees, indemnities and expenses for third-party loan pricing services and accountants; and

(vii) amounts due (other than indemnities) to any other Person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for in the Indenture, including fees or expenses in connection with any Securities Lending Agreement.

**“Affected Class”** means any Class of Notes that, as a result of the occurrence of a Tax Event, has received or will receive less than the aggregate amount of principal and interest that would otherwise have been payable to such Class on the Distribution Date related to the Due Period with respect to which such Tax Event occurs.

**“Affiliate”** or **“Affiliated”** means with respect to a Person,

(i) any other Person who, directly or indirectly, is in control of, or controlled by, or is under common control with, the Person; or

(ii) any other Person who is a director, officer or employee (A) of the Person, (B) of any subsidiary or parent company of the Person or (C) of any Person described in clause (i) above.

For the purposes of this definition, control of a Person shall mean the power, direct or indirect:

(A) to vote more than 50% of the securities having ordinary voting power for the election of directors of the Person; or

(B) to direct the corporate management and corporate policies of the Person whether by contract or otherwise (this does not include the Servicing Agreement unless it is amended expressly to provide those services).

For the purpose of this definition, the Administrator and its Affiliates are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Co-Issuers and the Co-Issuers are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Administrator, or any of their Affiliates.

**“Aggregate Outstanding Amount”** means, when used with respect to (i) any of the Notes (other than the Class A-1B Notes) as of any date, the aggregate principal amount of such Notes on that date; (ii) the Class A-1B Notes as of any date, (a) prior to the first Payment Date, the Fully Drawn Amount and (b) from and after the first Payment Date, the aggregate principal amount of the Class A-1B Notes on that date; and (iii) the Preference Shares as of any date, the number of such Preference Shares Outstanding on such date.

Except as otherwise provided herein:

(i) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all of the Class A Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes at any time shall include all Class B Deferred Interest attributed thereto;

(iii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes at any time shall include all Class C Deferred Interest attributed thereto; and

(iv) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes at any time shall include all Class D Deferred Interest attributed thereto.

**“Aggregate Principal Balance”** means, when used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Principal Balances of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Principal Balance means the sum of the Principal Balances of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**“Aggregate Purchase Price Amount”** means, when used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Purchase Price Amount means the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**“Aggregate Undrawn Amount”** means, at any time, with respect to the Class A-1B Notes, the aggregate Undrawn Amounts of all Class A-1B Notes.

**“Allocable Principal Balance”** means, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, the portion of the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security that is allocable to each Reference Obligation comprising such index or indices based upon allocating the Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security among such Reference Obligations in the same proportion as each Reference Obligation bears to the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security.

**“Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association”** means the memorandum and articles of association of the Issuer, as amended and restated from time to time.

**“Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price”** means, the purchase price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Transaction Securities purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of (i) the Notes (other than the Class A-1B Notes), the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof and (ii) the Class A-1B Notes, the aggregate principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the date of purchase payable to the Non-Consenting Holder (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), plus any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment, plus in the case of the Class A-1B Notes, any accrued and unpaid Delayed Drawdown Fee, plus in the case of any Notes held or, with respect to any Notes representing Global Notes, beneficially owned, by a CDS/TRS Purchaser, the applicable CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount, if any, and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares and the Holding Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, the Closing Date (and any amounts payable, if any, to the Non-Consenting Holder or the Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder, as applicable, on the next succeeding Payment Date) would cause such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); *provided, however*, that in any Amendment Buy-Out from and after the date on which the Non-Consenting Holders of Preference Shares or the Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price for such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, shall be zero.

**“Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser”** means the Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Transaction Securities from Holders pursuant to “Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out,” “Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser” shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Placement Agent, the Investors Corp. Placement Agent or any of their respective Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; *provided, however*, none of the Servicer, the Placement Agent, the Investors Corp. Placement Agent or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

**“Applicable Discount Rate”** means, for purposes of determining the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount with respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser in connection with an Amendment Buy-Out, USD-LIBOR-BBA, as defined in the Annex to the 2000 ISDA Definitions as determined by the applicable CDS/TRS Purchaser on the Business Day preceding the date of purchase of the applicable Notes from such CDS/TRS Purchaser in connection with such Amendment Buy-Out, as the case may be.

**“Applicable Note Interest Rate”** means, with respect to the Notes of any Class, the Note Interest Rate with respect to such Class.

**“Applicable Percentage”** means the lesser of the Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate and the S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation as specified below.

If a Collateral Obligation has been specifically assigned a recovery rate by Moody’s in connection with the assignment by Moody’s of a credit estimate, the Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate of such Collateral Obligation shall be such assigned recovery rate.

<b>Moody’s Priority Category</b>	<b>Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Synthetic Securities .....	In the case of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the “Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate” given by Moody’s to the Form-Approved Synthetic Security at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security by Moody’s; and</li> <li>(ii) any other Synthetic Security, the “Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate” given by Moody’s to the Synthetic Security at the time of acquisition of the Synthetic Security.</li> </ul>
Structured Finance Obligations .....	The Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the Moody’s Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 5</u> to the Indenture by reference to the type of asset and its then Moody’s Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that schedule does not apply, on a case-by-case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
unsecured DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligations not covered above or below...	As determined by Moody’s on a case-by-case basis.

For High-Yield Bonds, Moody’s Senior Secured Loans and Moody’s Non Senior Secured Loans, the relevant Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate is the rate determined pursuant to the table below based on the number of rating subcategories difference between the High-Yield Bond’s or Loan’s Moody’s Obligation Rating and its Moody’s Default Probability Rating (for purposes of clarification, if the Moody’s Obligation Rating is higher than the Moody’s Default Probability Rating, the rating subcategories difference will be positive and if it is lower, negative):

<b>Number of Moody's Rating Subcategories Difference Between the Moody's Obligation Rating and the Moody's Default Probability Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>High-Yield Bonds</b>
+2 or more	60.0%	45.0%	40.0%
+1	50.0%	42.5%	35.0%
0	45.0%	40.0%	30.0%
-1	40.0%	30.0%	15.0%
-2	30.0%	15.0%	10.0%
-3 or less	20.0%	10.0%	2.0%

If the Loan is a secured DIP Loan, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is 50.0%.

<b>S&amp;P Priority Category</b>	<b>S&amp;P Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Secured Loans other than Subordinated Lien Loans or DIP Loans .....	55.0%
Senior Unsecured Loans.....	37.5%
Second Lien Loans .....	37.5%
Subordinated Lien Loans other than a DIP Loan .....	21.5%
Senior Secured High-Yield Bonds	44.0%
Senior Unsecured High-Yield Bonds .....	30.0%
Subordinated High-Yield Bonds ..	18.0%
Structured Finance Obligations ....	The S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the S&P Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 6</u> to the Indenture by reference to the type of asset and its then S&P Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that table does not apply, on a case by case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
Synthetic Securities .....	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation.
DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligation not covered above.....	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis.

**“Approved Pricing Service”** means Loan Pricing Corporation, Mark-It-Partners, Inc. or any other nationally recognized loan pricing service approved in writing by S&P.

**“Approved Replacement”** means an individual who shall (x) be proposed by Highland Capital to replace James Dondero, Mark Okada or Todd Travers (or a prior Approved Replacement therefor) within 30 days after James Dondero, Mark Okada or Todd Travers (or a prior Approved Replacement therefor) fails to be a partner, director, officer or management-level employee of Highland Capital or, following any objection pursuant to the following clause (y) to the first proposed replacement, within 30 days after such objection and (y) not have been objected to by either (A) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or (B) a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by Highland Capital or any of its Affiliates), within 30 days after written notice of such Approved Replacement has been given by the Servicer to the Controlling Class of Notes and the Holders of Preference Shares.

**“Ask-Side Market Value”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any lent Collateral Obligation based upon the Servicer's commercially



reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations which are also Independent from the Servicer or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices could not be obtained, the higher of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations which are also Independent from the Servicer or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices could not be obtained, the average of the ask-side prices for the purchase of such Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer); *provided* that if the Ask-Side Market Value of any lent Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the outstanding principal balance thereof.

**“Assigned Moody’s Rating”** means the monitored publicly available rating or the annually renewed estimated rating expressly assigned to a debt obligation (or facility) by Moody’s that addresses the full amount of the principal and interest promised; *provided* that, on or prior to each one-year anniversary of the acquisition of any Collateral Obligation with a Moody’s annually renewed estimated rating, the Issuer shall submit to Moody’s a request for a Moody’s credit rating estimate for such Collateral Obligation, which shall be its Assigned Moody’s Rating, together with all information reasonably required by Moody’s to perform such estimate.

**“Authorized Officer”** means, with respect to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp., any Officer or agent who is authorized to act for the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp., as applicable, in matters relating to, and binding on, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp. With respect to the Servicer, any managing member, Officer, manager, employee, partner or agent of the Servicer who is authorized to act for the Servicer in matters relating to, and binding on, the Servicer with respect to the subject matter of the request, certificate or order in question. With respect to the Trustee or any other bank or trust company acting as trustee of an express trust or as custodian, a Trust Officer. Each party may receive and accept a certification of the authority of any other party as conclusive evidence of the authority of any Person to act, and the certification may be considered as in full force and effect until receipt by the other party of written notice to the contrary.

**“Average Life”** means, as of any Measurement Date with respect to any Collateral Obligation (other than any Defaulted Collateral Obligation), the quotient obtained by dividing:

- (i) the sum of the products of:
  - (A) the number of years (rounded to the nearest hundredth) from the Measurement Date to the respective dates of each successive scheduled payment of principal of the Collateral Obligation; and
  - (B) the respective amounts of the successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation; by
- (ii) the sum of all successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Balloon Loans”** means Loans that provide for (commencing either immediately after closing or after a period of time) a series of scheduled payments calculated to amortize the principal balance of the Loan over its term so that at its maturity more than 25.0% (but less than 100%) of the maximum outstanding principal balance for such Loan remains unpaid, with such remaining balance due at maturity.

**“Bank”** means Investors Bank & Trust Company in its individual capacity and not as Trustee.

**“Bankruptcy Code”** means the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, Title 11 of the United States Code, as amended.

**“Bankruptcy Law”** means the Bankruptcy Code, Part V of the Companies Law (2004 Revision) of the Cayman Islands and the Bankruptcy Law (1997 Revision) of the Cayman Islands.

**“Board of Directors”** means with respect to the Issuer, the directors of the Issuer duly appointed by a resolution of the holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares or by resolution of the Board of Directors and, with respect to the Co-Issuer, the directors of the Co-Issuer duly appointed by the stockholders of the Co-Issuer.

**“Bullet Loans”** means Loans that provide for a series of scheduled interest payments over the term of the Loan and scheduled payment of 100% of the principal amount at the maturity of the Loan.

**“Business Day”** means a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in New York City, and any other city in which the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee is located and, in the case of the final payment of principal of any Note, the place of presentation of the Note designated by the Trustee; *provided, however* that, for purposes of determining LIBOR, “Business Day” must also be a day on which dealings in deposits in Dollars are transacted in the London interbank market. To the extent action is required of the Irish Listing Agent and Irish Paying Agent, Dublin, Ireland shall be considered in determining “Business Day” for purposes of determining when actions by the Irish Paying Agent are required.

**“Caa1 Collateral Obligations”** means the Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have a Moody’s Rating below “B3.”

**“Cash”** means such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for payment of all public and private debts.

**“CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations”** means the Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have (i) a Moody’s Rating below “B3” and/or (ii) an S&P Rating below “B-”.

**“CCC+/Caa1 Excess Market Value Percentage”** means the percentage equivalent of a Fraction, the numerator of which is the aggregate Market Value of CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations (in order of ascending Market Value Percentage, starting with the CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation with the lowest Market Value Percentage) with an aggregate Principal Balance equal to Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations and the denominator of which is an amount equal to the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations.

**“CDS/TRS Purchaser”** means, a Holder of the Notes or, in the case of Notes represented by Global Notes, any beneficial owner thereof that has entered into either a credit default swap or a total return swap with respect to such Notes.

**“CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount”** means, with respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser in connection with an Amendment Buy-Out, as the case may be, (i) on any Payment Date prior to the November 2010 Payment Date, an amount equal to the present value of the Fixed Amounts with respect to such CDS/TRS Purchaser and each Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period until the last Fixed Rate Calculation Period, discounting each Fixed Amount from the Payment Date following the end of each such Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period to the date of purchase of the applicable Notes at the Applicable Discount Rate, and (ii) on any Payment Date on and after the November 2010 Payment Date, zero; provided that, in the case of clause (i), the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount shall be calculated by the Servicer and subject to the approval of such CDS/TRS Purchaser.

**“Class”** means all of the Notes having the same priority and the same Stated Maturity and all of the Preference Shares; *provided, however*, unless otherwise expressly provided for herein, the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-2 Notes shall be considered the same Class.

**“Class A Coverage Tests”** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class A Notes.

**“Class B Coverage Tests”** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class B Notes.

**“Class B Deferred Interest”** means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes.

**“Class C Coverage Tests”** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class C Notes.

**“Class C Deferred Interest”** means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C Notes.

**“Class D Coverage Tests”** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class D Notes.

**“Class D Deferred Interest”** means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class D Notes.

**“Class Scenario Loss Rate”** means, with respect to any Class of Notes rated by S&P, an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, consistent with S&P’s rating of the Class of Notes on the Closing Date, determined by application of the S&P CDO Monitor.

**“Clearstream”** means Clearstream Banking, société anonyme, a corporation organized under the laws of the Duchy of Luxembourg.

**“Collateral Administration Agreement”** means the agreement dated as of the Closing Date among the Issuer, the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**“Collateral Administrator”** means the Bank in its capacity as collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement.

**“Commitment Amount”** means, with respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the maximum aggregate outstanding principal amount (whether then funded or unfunded) of advances or other extensions of credit that the Issuer could be required to make to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments.

**“Controlling Class”** means the Class A Notes (voting together as a single Class or group), so long as any Class A Notes are Outstanding; then the Class B Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class B Notes are Outstanding; then the Class C Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class C are Outstanding; and then the Class D Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class D are Outstanding.

**“Corporate Trust Office”** means the corporate trust office of the Trustee at which the Trustee performs its duties under the Indenture, currently having an address of 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code EUC108, Boston, Massachusetts 02116, telecopy no. (617) 937-5585, Attention: CDO Services, Brentwood CLO, Ltd. or any other address the Trustee designates from time to time by notice to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Issuer and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Trustee.

**“Credit Improved Obligation”** is any Collateral Obligation that (a) is sold pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange or (b) in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has improved in credit quality; *provided* that, in forming such judgment, a reduction in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment; and *provided*,

further, that, if a Credit Rating Event is in effect, such Collateral Obligation will be considered a Credit Improved Obligation only if in addition to the above:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been upgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing positive credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under the Indenture;

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced a reduction in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Servicer (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's);

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has increased by at least 1.00% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Servicer (*provided* that this subclause (iii)(x) will be deemed satisfied if Market Value increases to 101%), or (y) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more positive than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, plus 3.00%, over the same period; or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Improved Obligation if:

(i) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Improved Obligation; or

(ii) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Improved Obligation.

**“Credit Rating Event”** means an event that is in effect if the rating by Moody's:

(i) of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes or the Class A-2 Notes has been withdrawn or is one or more rating sub-categories below its Initial Rating; or

(ii) of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes has been withdrawn or is two or more rating sub-categories below its respective Initial Rating.

For the purposes of this definition, any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not be effective if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody's has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Class A Notes, or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**“Credit Risk Obligation”** means any Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has significantly declined in credit quality and has a significant risk, with a lapse of time, of becoming a Defaulted Collateral

Obligation; *provided* that in forming such judgment an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment.

So long as a Credit Rating Event is in effect, no Collateral Obligation shall be eligible to be a Credit Risk Obligation unless in addition to the above, as of the date of determination:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been downgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing negative credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under the Indenture;

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced an increase in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Servicer (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's);

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has decreased by at least 2.50% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Servicer, and (y) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more negative, or less positive, as the case may be, than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, less 3.00%, over the same period; or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation set forth in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) above, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Risk Obligation if:

(a) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Risk Obligation; or

(b) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Risk Obligation.

**“Current-Pay Obligation”** means a Collateral Obligation as to which:

(i) an insolvency event has occurred with respect to its obligor or as to which its obligor is rated “D” or “SD” by S&P or its obligor has previously been rated “CCC-” by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;

(ii) no default as to the payment of principal or interest with respect to the Collateral Obligation is then continuing and the Servicer has delivered to the Trustee an officer's certificate to the effect that the Servicer expects that the obligor will make payments on the Collateral Obligation as they become due;

(iii) (A) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is at least “Caa1” (and not on credit watch with negative implications), the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is

at least equal to 80% of its Principal Balance or (B) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is at least "Caa2" (and not on credit watch with negative implications), the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 85% of its Principal Balance;

(iv) if an insolvency event has occurred with respect to the obligor of the Collateral Obligation, a bankruptcy court has authorized the payment of interest payable on the Collateral Obligation; and

(v) the Servicer has designated in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligation as a Current-Pay Obligation.

If the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations exceeds 5% of the Maximum Amount, all or a portion of one or more Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance equal to the amount of the excess shall not be Current-Pay Obligations (and will therefore be Defaulted Collateral Obligations). The Servicer shall designate in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligations that shall not be Current-Pay Obligations pursuant to the preceding sentence as the Collateral Obligations (or portions thereof) that have the lowest Market Value on any applicable date of determination.

The Servicer may, with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, by notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator, change the definition of "Current-Pay Obligation" or how Current-Pay Obligations are treated in the Indenture, subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency.

**"Current Portfolio"** means, at any time, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations, Principal Proceeds held as cash on deposit in the Collection Account, and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account that exists before the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or before the acquisition of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**"Deep Discount Obligation"** means, until the average Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation, as determined daily for any period of 30 consecutive days, equals or exceeds 90%, any Collateral Obligation acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 85% of its Principal Balance. For such purpose, the Market Value Percentage of a Collateral Obligation on a day that is not a Business Day shall be deemed to be the Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation on the immediately preceding Business Day.

**"Defaulted Collateral Obligation"** means any Collateral Obligation or other obligation included in the Collateral:

(i) as to which a default in the payment of principal or interest is continuing beyond the lesser of three Business Days and any applicable grace or notice period, unless in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;

(ii) the maturity of all or a portion of the principal amount of such Collateral Obligation has been accelerated as a consequence of a default (other than any payment default) under the instruments evidencing or relating to such Collateral Obligation; unless such default or event of default has been fully cured or waived and is no longer continuing and such acceleration has been rescinded;

(iii) with respect to which there has been effected any distressed exchange or other debt restructuring where the obligor has offered the holders thereof a new security or instrument or package of securities or instruments that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the

Servicer, either (x) amounts to a diminished financial obligation or (y) has the sole purpose of enabling the obligor to avoid a default;

(iv) (1) that is *pari passu* with or subordinated to other indebtedness for borrowed money owing by its obligor (“**Other Indebtedness**”) (2) the obligor has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (without regard to any applicable grace or notice period and without regard to any waiver of the default) on the Other Indebtedness, unless, in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid on the Other Indebtedness and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation and (3) the Servicer, *provided* that the related Collateral Obligation has not been downgraded after the default on such Other Indebtedness has occurred, determines (in its commercially reasonable judgment) that such Other Indebtedness is material;

(v) (other than a Current-Pay Obligation or a DIP Loan) as to which:

(A) an insolvency event has occurred with respect to its obligor; or

(B) the obligation is rated “D”, “SD”, “C” or “CC” by S&P or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn, or has previously been rated “CCC-” or lower by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;

(vi) if the Collateral Obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation, it is rated “CC” or below by S&P, or it was rated “CC” or below by S&P but the rating has since been withdrawn, or it is rated “Ca” or below by Moody’s, or it was rated “C” or below by Moody’s but the rating has since been withdrawn;

(vii) that is a Participation that would, if the underlying Loan were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (v) above or with respect to which the Participating Institution has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Participation;

(viii) that is a Synthetic Security referencing a Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above or with respect to which the Synthetic Security Counterparty has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Synthetic Security; *provided, however*, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time: (x) a determination whether the Reference Obligations upon which such Synthetic Security is based would, if such Reference Obligations were Collateral Obligations, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each of the Reference Obligations on which such Synthetic Security is based in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation and (y) the “Defaulted Collateral Obligation” for purposes of this clause (viii) shall be limited to the Allocable Principal Balance of each Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above;

(ix) that is a Written-Down Obligation;

(x) that is a DIP Loan as to which an order has been entered converting the debtor’s Chapter 11 case to a case under Chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code; or

- (xi) that is declared to be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation by the Servicer.

Any Collateral Obligation that is classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall cease to be so classified if the Collateral Obligation, at any date thereafter,

(1) would not otherwise be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this definition; and

(2) otherwise meets the Eligibility Criteria as of that date.

If any portion of a Collateral Obligation has a maturity later than one year after the Stated Maturity of the Notes due to a change in the payment schedule of the Collateral Obligation occurring after its acquisition by the Issuer, that portion of the Collateral Obligation shall be considered a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**“Defaulted Hedge Termination Payment”** means any termination payment required to be made by the Issuer to a Hedge Counterparty pursuant to a Hedge Agreement upon a termination of the Hedge Agreement in respect of which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**“Defaulted Interest”** means any interest (and in the case of the Class A-1B Notes, Delayed Drawdown Fee but excluding any Deferred Interest) payable in respect of any Class of Notes that is not punctually paid or duly provided for on the applicable Payment Date or at Stated Maturity.

**“Defaulted Interest Charge”** means to the extent lawful, interest on any Defaulted Interest at the Default Interest Rate.

**“Default Interest Rate”** means, with respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate equal to the Note Interest Rate payable on the Notes of the Class.

**“Deferred Interest Notes”** means the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**“Definitive Security”** means any Note or Certificated Preference Share that is registered in the name of the beneficial owner.

**“Delayed Drawdown Loan”** means a Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that:

- (i) requires the Issuer to make one or more future advances to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments;
- (ii) specifies a maximum amount that can be borrowed on one or more fixed borrowing dates; and
- (iii) does not permit the re-borrowing of any amount previously repaid.

A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Delayed Drawdown Loan for so long as its unused commitment amount is greater than zero and for purposes of the Concentration Limits only unfunded portions will count as Delayed Drawdown Loans.

**“Delayed Drawdown Note Agent”** has the meaning given in the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement.

**“Depository”** or **“DTC”** means The Depository Trust Company and its nominees.

**“DIP Loan”** means any Loan:



(i) that has a rating assigned by Moody's and a rating assigned by S&P (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by S&P, the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P within two Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer);

(ii) that is paying interest on a current basis;

(iii) that is an obligation of a debtor in possession as described in Section 1107 of the Bankruptcy Code or a trustee (if appointment of a trustee has been ordered pursuant to Section 1104 of the Bankruptcy Code) (a "**Debtor**") organized under the laws of the United States or any state of the United States; and

(iv) the terms of which have been approved by a final order of the United States Bankruptcy Court, United States District Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, the enforceability of which order is not subject to any pending contested matter or proceeding (as those terms are defined in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure) and which order provides that:

(A) the Loan is secured by liens on the Debtor's otherwise unencumbered assets pursuant to Section 364(c)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code;

(B) the Loan is secured by liens of equal or senior priority on property of the Debtor's estate that is otherwise subject to a lien pursuant to Section 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code;

(C) the Loan is fully secured (based on a current valuation or appraisal report) by junior liens on the Debtor's encumbered assets; or

(D) if any portion of the Loan is unsecured, the repayment of the Loan retains priority over all other administrative expenses pursuant to Section 364(c)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code (and in the case of this clause (D), before the acquisition of the Loan, the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency).

**"Diversity Score"** is a single number that indicates collateral concentration in terms of both issuer and industry concentration, calculated as set forth in Schedule 4 to the Indenture. For the purposes of calculating the Diversity Score, any Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation will be disregarded.

**"Drawn Amount"**: means, at any time with respect to the Class A-1B Notes, the aggregate principal amount of the Class A-1B Notes funded on the Closing Date or by one or more Drawdowns after the Closing Date.

**"Domicile"** or **"Domiciled"** means, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, (i) the jurisdiction of incorporation, organization or creation of the related obligor or (ii) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that would otherwise be considered to be domiciled pursuant to clause (i) in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction, the jurisdiction in which, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the related obligor conducts substantially all of its business operations and in which the assets primarily responsible for generating its revenues are located.

**"Due Period"** means, with respect to any Payment Date, for all purposes other than payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements, the period from the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date, from the Closing Date) up to but excluding the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the Payment Date (or in the case of the final Payment Date or any Payment Date that is a Redemption Date, through the Business Day before the Payment Date and for payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements the period from the day after the

previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date from the Closing Date) through the Payment Date).

**“Eligible Country”** means the United States, Canada and any country classified by Moody’s as a Moody’s Group I Country, Moody’s Group II Country or Moody’s Group III Country and, in each case, has an S&P foreign currency rating of at least “AA” by S&P and is rated at least “Aa2” by Moody’s; *provided* that such country has not imposed currency exchange controls.

**“Eligible Equity Security”** mean an equity security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation by, or on behalf of, the Issuer that (i) is publicly traded on an Established Securities Market or (ii) the Market Value of which is higher than the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation with respect to which such equity security has been acquired by the Issuer.

**“Eligible Investments”** means any Dollar-denominated obligation or asset that, when it is pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee under the Indenture, is one or more of the following:

- (i) Cash;
- (ii) direct Registered obligations of, and Registered obligations the timely payment of principal and interest on which is fully and expressly guaranteed by, the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States the obligations of which are expressly backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, which in each case are not zero coupon securities;
- (iii) demand and time deposits in, trust accounts, certificates of deposit payable within 91 days of issuance of, bankers’ acceptances payable within 91 days of issuance issued by, or Federal funds sold by any depository institution or trust company incorporated under the laws of the United States or any state thereof and subject to supervision and examination by Federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or the debt obligations of such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company), at the time of such acquisition or contractual commitment providing for such acquisition and throughout the term thereof, have a credit rating of not less than “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade, or “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by S&P in the case of commercial paper and short-term debt obligations; *provided* that in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than “AA-” by S&P and “Aa3” by Moody’s and a short-term rating of “A-1+” by S&P and “P-1” by Moody’s, and if so rated, is not on watch for downgrade;
- (iv) commercial paper or other short-term obligations with a maturity of not more than 183 days from the date of issuance and having at the time of such acquisition a credit rating of at least “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by S&P; *provided* that, in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than “Aa2” by Moody’s, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;
- (v) unleveraged repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clause (b) above entered into with a U.S. federal or state depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (iii) above or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose long-term credit rating is not less than “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade or whose short-term credit rating is “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by S&P at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof; *provided* that, if such repurchase obligation has a maturity of longer than 91 days, the counterparty thereto must also have at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof a long-term credit rating of not less than “Aa2” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(vi) any money market fund or similar vehicle having at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof a credit rating of “MR1+” by Moody’s and “AAAm” by S&P; including any fund for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee serves as an investment adviser, administrator, shareholder servicing agent, custodian or subcustodian, notwithstanding that (A) the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses from such funds for services rendered (*provided* that such charges, fees and expenses are on terms consistent with terms negotiated at arm’s-length) and (B) the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses for services rendered, pursuant to the Indenture;

(vii) a guaranteed reinvestment agreement from a bank (if treated as a deposit by such bank), insurance company or other corporation or entity organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (if treated as debt by such insurance company or other corporation or entity), providing for periodic payments thereunder during each Due Period; *provided* that each such agreement provides that it is terminable by the purchaser, without premium or penalty, in the event that the rating assigned to such agreement by either Moody’s or S&P is at any time lower than the then current ratings assigned to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes; *provided, further*, that, at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof, the issuer of such agreement has a senior unsecured long-term debt rating, issuer rating or counterparty rating of at least “Aaa” by Moody’s, a short-term debt rating of “P-1” by Moody’s (and not on watch for downgrade), a short-term debt rating of at least “A-1+” by S&P and a long-term debt rating of at least “AAA” by S&P (and not on watch for downgrade); and

(viii) such other obligations or assets for which Rating Confirmation has been received;

and, in each case, with a stated maturity (giving effect to any applicable grace period) no later than the Business Day before the Payment Date next succeeding the date of acquisition.

Eligible Investments on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account must have a stated maturity no later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase.

Eligible Investments may not include:

- (1) any interest-only security, any security purchased at a price in excess of 100% of its par value, or any security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer;
- (2) any security whose rating assigned by S&P includes the subscript “r,” “t,” “p,” “pi,” or “q”;
- (3) any floating rate security whose interest rate is inversely or otherwise not proportionately related to an interest rate index or is calculated as other than the sum of an interest rate index plus a spread (which spread may be zero);
- (4) any security that is subject to an exchange or tender offer; or
- (5) any security that has payments subject to foreign or United States withholding tax.

Eligible Investments may include Eligible Investments for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee is the issuer, obligor or applicable depository institution or provides services. Eligible Investments may not include obligations principally secured by real property.

**“Emerging Market Security”** means a security or obligation issued by a sovereign or non-sovereign issuer located in a country (excluding the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Netherlands Antilles, and the Channel Islands):

- (i) that is in Latin America, Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, or the Caribbean; or
- (ii) the long-term foreign currency debt obligations of which are rated below “Aa2” or “Aa2” and on credit watch with negative implications by Moody’s or the foreign currency issuer credit rating of which is below “AA” by S&P.

**“Established Securities Market”** includes any national securities exchange registered under Section 6 of the Exchange Act or exempted from registration because of the limited volume of transaction; any foreign securities exchange that, under the laws of the jurisdiction where it is organized, satisfies regulatory requirements that are analogous to the regulatory requirements imposed under the Exchange Act; any regional or local exchange; and any interdealer quotation system that regularly disseminates firm buy or sell quotations by identified brokers or dealers, by electronic means or otherwise.

**“Euroclear”** means Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear system.

**“Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations”** means the Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations in excess of 7.5% of the Maximum Amount on the relevant Determination Date.

**“Excluded Property”** means (i) U.S.\$250 (attributable to the issue and allotment of the Issuer Ordinary Shares) and a U.S.\$250 transaction fee paid to the Issuer, the bank account in which those amounts are credited in the Cayman Islands and any interest earned on those amounts, (ii) any amounts credited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account from time to time (iii) any amounts credited to the Preference Share Distribution Account from time to time, (iv) the shares of the Co-Issuer owned by the Issuer and (v) any Margin Stock.

**“Extension”** means an extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test in accordance with the Indenture.

**“Extension Bonus Payment”** means, with respect to each Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable beneficial owner set forth in “Description of the Securities— Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date” in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-2 Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class B Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (3) in the case of the Class C Notes, 0.50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, and (4) in the case of the Class D Notes, 0.50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

**“Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification”** means, with respect to each Maturity Extension and each beneficial owner of Notes other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such beneficial owner acceptable to the Issuer to the effect that it held Notes other than Extension Sale Securities on the applicable Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof in the case of the Notes.

**“Extension Determination Date”** means the eighth Business Day prior to each Extension Effective Date.

**“Extension Purchase Price”** means the purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with each Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount

equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the applicable Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date) and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares and the Holding Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be, since the Closing Date would cause such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a “Payment Date” under the Indenture); *provided, however*, that if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, shall be zero.

“**Extension Qualifying Purchasers**” means the Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Extension Sale Securities from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date”; “Extension Qualifying Purchasers” shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Placement Agent, the Investors Corp. Placement Agent or any of their respective Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; *provided however*, none of the Servicer, the Placement Agent, the Investors Corp. Placement Agent or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

“**Face Amount**” means, with respect to any Preference Share or Holding Preference Share, the amount set forth therein as the “face amount” thereof, which “face amount” shall be U.S.\$1,000 per Preference Share or Holding Preference Share.

“**Finance Lease**” means a lease agreement or other agreement entered into in connection with and evidencing a Leasing Finance Transaction.

“**First Trigger Collateral Amount**” means the collateral to be posted by a downgraded Hedge Counterparty as required by the Indenture and determined by the following table:

<b>First Trigger Collateral Amounts<sup>1</sup></b>	
<b>Single currency swaps, transaction-specific hedges, caps, floors &amp; swaptions</b>	
Daily Posting:	$\text{Max}[0, \text{MtM}^2 + \text{Min}[15 * \text{DV01}, 2\% * \text{hedge notional}]]$
Weekly Posting:	$\text{Max}[0, \text{MtM}^2 + \text{Min}[25 * \text{DV01}, 4\% * \text{hedge notional}]]$
<b>Cross-currency swaps, transaction-specific hedges, caps, floors &amp; swaptions</b>	
Daily Posting:	$\text{Max}[0, \text{MtM}^2 + \text{Min}[1.00\% * \text{hedge notional}^3 + 10 * \text{DV01}^4, 2.5\% * \text{hedge notional}^3]]$
Weekly Posting:	$\text{Max}[0, \text{MtM}^2 + \text{Min}[2.00\% * \text{hedge notional}^3 + 20 * \text{DV01}^4, 5\% * \text{hedge notional}^3]]$

1. Calculation should be in same currency as that of rated liabilities. However, for certain single-currency hedges addressing asset mismatches only, calculation may be made in the currency of the hedge itself, even where different from that of the rated liabilities.
2. MtM = Mid-market value.
3. “Hedge Notional” for cross-currency hedge = notional of that leg denominated in same currency as rated liabilities of cashflow transaction.
4. Larger of two DV01’s corresponding to each leg of a cross-currency hedge.

“**Fixed Amount**” means, with respect to CDS/TRS Purchaser and each applicable Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period, the product of (i) the applicable Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Amount with respect to such CDS/TRS Purchaser, (ii) the applicable Fixed Rate with respect to such CDS/TRS

Purchaser and (iii) a fraction the numerator of which is the actual number of days in such Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period and the denominator of which is 360.

**“Fixed Rate”** means, with respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser, the spread over LIBOR of the Class of Notes held by such CDS/TRS Purchaser with respect to which such CDS/TRS Purchaser has entered into a credit default swap or a total return swap, as the case may be.

**“Fixed Rate Excess”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose numerator is the product of:

(i) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date over the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test; and

(ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date;

and whose denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Fixed Rate Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Spread Excess were equal to zero.

**“Fixed Rate Obligations”** means any Collateral Obligation that bears interest at a fixed rate.

**“Fixed Rate Payer Calculation Amount”** means, with respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser for purposes of calculating the applicable CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes held by such CDS/TRS Purchaser as of the date of purchase of such Notes in an Amendment Buy-Out (in each case, after giving effect to any principal amounts paid to such CDS/TRS Purchaser on such date).

**“Fixed Rate Payer Calculation Period”** means, with respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser for purposes of calculating the applicable CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount, initially, the period from and including the date of purchase of such Notes in an Amendment Buy-Out to but excluding the immediately succeeding Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date; provided that the last Fixed Rate Payer Calculation Period shall end on the Payment Date occurring in August, 2010.

**“Floating Rate Notes”** means the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**“Floating Rate Obligation”** means any Collateral Obligation that bears interest based on a floating rate index.

**“Form-Approved Synthetic Security”** means a Synthetic Security:

(i) (A) each of the Reference Obligations of which satisfy the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and could be purchased by the Issuer without any required action by the Rating Agencies, without satisfaction of the Rating Condition or which the Rating Agencies have otherwise approved; or

(B) each of the Reference Obligations of which would satisfy clause (A) above but for the currency in which the Reference Obligation is payable and the Synthetic Security is payable in Dollars, does not provide for physical settlement, and does not expose the Issuer to Dollar currency risk;

(ii) the Synthetic Security Agreement of which conforms (but for the amount and timing of periodic payments, the name of the Reference Obligation, the notional amount, the effective date, the termination date, and other similar necessary changes) to a form that has been expressly identified and approved in writing in connection with a request under the Indenture by Moody's and S&P;

(iii) a copy of the Synthetic Security Agreement of which has been delivered to the Holders of the Class A Notes by the Trustee at the expense of the Co-Issuers and upon being furnished with a copy of the same by the Servicer; and

(iv) that is with a counterparty with respect to which the Rating Condition has been satisfied by each of Moody's and S&P prior to the acquisition of any such Form-Approved Synthetic Security, and such approval has not been withdrawn.

Moody's or S&P may at any time, by notice to the Servicer, withdraw its approval of any such form. A withdrawal of approval shall have no effect on any Synthetic Security acquired, entered into, or committed to before the date on which the Servicer receives the notice of withdrawal.

**"Fully Drawn Amount"**: means the maximum aggregate principal amount that can be drawn under the Class A-1B Notes, in an amount equal to \$75,000,000.

**"Hedge Agreements"** means, collectively, all interest rate cap or interest rate swap agreements between the Issuer and any Hedge Counterparty, and any replacement agreement entered into pursuant to the Indenture.

**"Hedge Counterparty"** means any counterparty, to the extent that when the Issuer enters into any Hedge Agreement with such counterparty, such counterparty satisfies the requirements of the Indenture, including the satisfaction of the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency.

**"Hedge Termination Receipt"** means any termination payment paid by the Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer upon any early termination of a Hedge Agreement with respect to which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**"High-Yield Bond"** means any debt security, other than a Loan or a Structured Finance Obligation, that is either Registered or, if not Registered, (i) it is issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States, (ii) the payments on it are not subject to United States withholding tax and (iii) it is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation Section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**"Holder"** means, of any Note, the person whose name appears on the Indenture Register as the registered holder of the Note; of any Preference Share, the person whose name appears in the Preference Share register related thereto as the registered holder of such Preference Share and of any Holding Preference Share, the person whose name appears in the Holding Preference Share register related thereto as the registered holder of such Holding Preference Share.

**"Holding Preference Share Documents"** means Investors Corp.'s memorandum and articles of association, the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the resolutions of Investors Corp.'s board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Holding Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

**"Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return"** means, with respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the "XIRR" function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for each distribution made to the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date, assuming all Holding Preference Shares are purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount.

**“Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement”** means The Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, by and between Investors Corp. and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

**“Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent”** means Investors Bank & Trust Company, in its capacity as holding preference shares paying agent under the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the holding preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter “Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent” shall mean such successor Person.

**“Indenture Registrar”** means the Bank in its capacity as Indenture registrar as provided in the Indenture.

**“Indenture Register”** means the register caused to be kept by the Issuer for the purpose of registering Notes and transfers of the Notes as provided in the Indenture.

**“Initial Consent Period”** means the period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee mailed notice of a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of Securities.

**“Initial Rating”** means, the ratings by Moody’s and S&P with respect to each Class of Notes provided in the table in “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.”

**“Interest Period”** means, initially, the period from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the first Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date; *provided* that with respect to any Drawdown made under the Class A-1B Notes, the first Interest Period shall be the period from and including the date of such Drawdown to but excluding the Payment Date following such date.

**“Interest Proceeds”** means, with respect to any Due Period, the sum (without duplication) of all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period (or as otherwise specified below) by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are:

- (i) payments of interest, fees, and commissions (excluding (A) Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal, (B) interest and dividends on Workout Assets, (C) fees and commissions from Defaulted Collateral Obligations, and (D) syndication and other up-front fees and any up-front fixed payments received in connection with entering into a Synthetic Security);
- (ii) any portion of the Sale Proceeds of a Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) representing Accrued Interest On Sale;
- (iii) all payments of principal on, or disposition proceeds from the sale of, Eligible Investments to the extent purchased with Interest Proceeds;
- (iv) payments with respect to the Hedge Agreements received on or before the related Payment Date (other than any amount payable thereunder because of any early termination or notional amount reduction), but not any Sale Proceeds from any of these instruments (except to the extent that they were purchased with Interest Proceeds);
- (v) all fees received pursuant to any Securities Lending Agreements;
- (vi) amounts in the Collection Account designated for distribution as Interest Proceeds pursuant to the Priority of Payments (including any amount transferred from the Interest Reserve Account);



(vii) all earnings on amounts in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account and the Revolving Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.3(b) of the Indenture;

(viii) amounts in the Expense Reimbursement Account on the Payment Date for the relevant Due Period;

(ix) any recoveries (including interest) received on a Defaulted Collateral Obligation or a deferred interest PIK Security in excess of the principal balance of such Defaulted Collateral Obligation or deferred interest PIK Security (as of the date the related Collateral Obligation became a Defaulted Collateral Obligation or a deferred interest PIK Security).

Interest Proceeds shall not include the Excluded Property and Interest Proceeds shall not include earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

Each reference in the definition of “Interest Proceeds” to a Collateral Obligation shall include a Collateral Obligation that has been loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and Interest Proceeds shall include any amounts referred to in clauses (i) through (iii) above received by the Issuer in respect of the Collateral Obligation indirectly from the related Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement.

With respect to any Payment Date, Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Interest Proceeds due and payable on such Payment Date to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date that are distributed to such Holders by way of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of Cash pursuant to “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds.

**“Investors Corp. Placement Agency Agreement”** means a placement agency agreement dated as of the Closing Date among Investors Corp. and Banc of America Securities relating to the placement of the Placed Shares, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**“Investors Corp. Placement Agent”** means Banc of America Securities.

**“Issuer Charter”** means the Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Issuer, as amended and restated before the Closing Date or in accordance with the Indenture.

**“Issuer Order”** and **“Issuer Request”** means a written order or request dated and signed in the name of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp. by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp., as applicable, or by the Servicer by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

**“Junior Class”** means, with respect to a particular Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that is subordinated to that Class.

**“Leasing Finance Transaction”** means any transaction pursuant to which the obligations of the lessee to pay rent or other amounts on a triple net basis under any lease of (or other arrangement conveying the right to use) real or personal property, or a combination thereof, are required to be classified and accounted for as a capital lease on a balance sheet of such lessee under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America; but only if (a) such lease or other transaction provides for the unconditional obligation of the lessee to pay a stated amount of principal no later than a stated maturity date, together with interest thereon, and the payment of such obligation is not subject to any material non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer, (b) the obligations of the lessee in respect of such lease or other transaction are fully secured, directly or indirectly, by the property that is the subject of such lease and (c) the interest held by the Issuer in respect of such lease or other transaction is treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

“**Loan**” means any interest in a fully committed, senior secured, unsecured, or revolving loan (including loans involving credit linked deposits) that is acquired by assignment or by Participation (including any DIP Loan) that is either:

- (i) Registered; or
- (ii) issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States;
  - (A) whose payments are not subject to United States withholding tax; and
  - (B) that is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

“**Long-Dated Collateral Obligation**” means any Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturity of the Notes other than a Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturities of the Notes that includes a “put” option to its obligor at a price of at least par payable on or before the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

“**Majority**” means, with respect to any Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

“**Margin Stock**” means “Margin Stock” as defined under Regulation U issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, including any debt security that is by its terms convertible into Margin Stock, but does not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation received pursuant to an offer by an issuer of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

“**Market Value**” means, as of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) based upon the Servicer’s commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the lower of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the bid-side prices for the purchase of the Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer).

If a Market Value of any Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined in accordance with the procedures set out in the previous paragraph for a period of 30 consecutive days then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero; *provided*, that during such 30 day period, such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the lower of (i) the product of (x) the Principal Balance of such Collateral Obligation multiplied by (y) 1.25 multiplied by (z) the applicable S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate and (ii) the current market value of such Collateral Obligation as determined by the Servicer in its commercially reasonable judgment; *provided, further*, that the maximum amount of Collateral Obligations having a Market Value assigned pursuant to the immediately preceding proviso shall be limited to 5.0% of the Maximum Amount (and any amount in excess of 5.0% of the Maximum Amount shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero). For the avoidance of doubt, the procedures set out in this paragraph should not apply to determinations of Market Value of any Eligible Equity Securities.

The Servicer is under no obligation to determine the Market Value of the Collateral Obligations other than as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or the Indenture or to comply with any of its duties as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or in the Indenture.

**“Market Value Determination Date”** means, with respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities, one Business Day prior to the date of the notice distributed by the Issuer to the Holders of the Preference Shares in connection with such distribution.

**“Market Value Percentage”** means, for any Collateral Obligation, the ratio obtained by dividing:

- (i) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation; by
- (ii) the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Maximum Amount”** means an amount equal to:

- (i) on any Measurement Date during the Ramp-Up Period, U.S.\$700,000,000 and
- (ii) on any Measurement Date after the Ramp-Up Completion Date:
  - (A) the aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations plus the aggregate outstanding principal amount of any Defaulted Collateral Obligations; *plus*
  - (B) cash representing Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
  - (C) Eligible Investments (other than cash) purchased by the Issuer with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
  - (D) without duplication, an amount equal to the Aggregate Undrawn Amount of the Class A-1B Notes.

**“Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the sum of (i) the number set forth in the column entitled “Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolation between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable) *plus* (ii) the Recovery Rate Modifier.

**“Measurement Date”** means any date:

- (i) on which the Issuer commits to acquire or dispose of any Collateral Obligation;
  - (ii) on which a Collateral Obligation becomes a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
  - (iii) that is a Determination Date;
  - (iv) that is the Ramp-Up Completion Date;
  - (v) that is the date as of which the information in a Monthly Report is calculated pursuant to the Indenture; and,
- with respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities only,
- (vi) that is the Market Value Determination Date.

**“Middle Market Loan”** means any Loan issued as part of a loan facility with an original loan size (including any First Lien Loan and Second Lien Loans included in the facility) of less than U.S.\$200,000,000 but greater than U.S.\$10,000,000, including for purposes of this definition the maximum available amount of commitments under any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan.

**“Minimum Diversity Score”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a score equal to the number set forth in the column entitled “Minimum Diversity Score” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**“Minimum Weighted Average Spread”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the spread equal to the percentage set forth in the row entitled “Minimum Weighted Average Spread” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**“Monthly Report”** means a monthly report compiled and provided by the Issuer.

**“Moody’s Default Probability Rating”** means with respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (i) with respect to a Moody’s Senior Secured Loan:
  - (A) if the Loan’s obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody’s, such corporate family rating; and
  - (B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody’s Obligation Rating of such Loan;
  - (C) if the preceding clauses do not apply, the rating that is one subcategory above the Moody’s Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating;
- (ii) with respect to a Moody’s Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond, the Moody’s Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating of such Collateral Obligation;
- (iii) with respect to a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the rating that is one rating subcategory below the Assigned Moody’s Rating thereof;
- (iv) with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation, the Assigned Moody’s Rating thereof; and
- (v) with respect to a Synthetic Security, the Assigned Moody’s Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody’s rating or ratings used to determine the Moody’s Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody’s, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down (if on watch for downgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories or adjusted up (if on watch for upgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories.

**“Moody’s Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating”** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation that is a Loan or bond and the obligor thereof, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (i) if the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation with an Assigned Moody’s Rating, such Assigned Moody’s Rating;
- (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody’s “Issuer Rating” for the obligor;
- (iii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation with an Assigned Moody’s Rating; then

(A) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "B3" (and, if rated "B3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one rating subcategory higher than such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(B) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "B3" (or rated "B3" and on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be such Assigned Moody's Rating;

(iv) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating; then:

(A) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "Caa3" (and, if rated "Caa3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one subcategory below such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(B) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "Caa3" (or rated "Caa3" and on watch for downgrade), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be "C";

(v) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but such obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be one rating subcategory below such corporate family rating;

(vi) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(D) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; or

(E) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's of (a) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating no lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (vi)(C), or clauses (vii)(C) or (viii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(vii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(B) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (iii) above; or

(C) “B3” until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody’s if (a) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than “B3” will be assigned by Moody’s and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody’s within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody’s Rating pursuant to either this clause (vii)(C), or clauses (vi)(C) or (viii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(viii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody’s Rating shall be deemed to be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody’s equivalent of such S&P rating if it is “BBB–” or higher;

(B) two rating subcategories below the Moody’s equivalent of such S&P rating if it is “BB+” or lower, and the Moody’s Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (iv) above; or

(C) “B3” until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody’s if (a) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than “B3” will be assigned by Moody’s and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody’s within two Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody’s Rating pursuant to either this clause (viii)(C), or clause (vi)(C) or (vii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(ix) if the preceding clauses do not apply and each of the following clauses (A) through (H) do apply, the Moody’s Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be “Caa1”:

(A) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings;

(B) no debt securities or obligations of the obligor are in default;

(C) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates has defaulted on any debt during the preceding two years;

(D) the obligor has been in existence for the preceding five years;

(E) the obligor is current on any cumulative dividends;

(F) the fixed-charge ratio for the obligor exceeds 125% for each of the preceding two fiscal years and for the most recent quarter;

(G) the obligor had a net profit before tax in the past fiscal year and the most recent quarter; and

(H) the annual financial statements of such obligor are unqualified and certified by a firm of Independent accountants of international reputation, and quarterly statements are unaudited but signed by a corporate officer;

(x) if the preceding clauses do not apply but each of the following clauses (A) and (B) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa3":

(A) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings; and

(B) no debt security or obligation of such obligor has been in default during the past two years; and

(xi) if the preceding clauses do not apply and a debt security or obligation of the obligor has been in default during the past two years, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Ca."

Notwithstanding the foregoing, not more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may consist of Relevant Obligations given a Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating based on a rating given by S&P as provided in clauses (vi), (vii) and (viii) above.

**"Moody's Group I Country"** means any of the following countries: Australia, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group I Country.

**"Moody's Group II Country"** means any of the following countries: Germany, Ireland, Sweden, Switzerland and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group II Country.

**"Moody's Group III Country"** means any of the following countries: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, Spain and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group III Country.

**"Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the number obtained by (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate, (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations and (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

**"Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan"** means any Loan that is not a Moody's Senior Secured Loan.

**"Moody's Obligation Rating"** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

(i) With respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:

(A) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the rating that is one rating subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and

(ii) With respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond:

(A) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and

(iii) With respect to a Synthetic Security or a DIP Loan, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

**"Moody's Priority Category"** means each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" as a "Moody's Priority Category."

**"Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate"** means for any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" opposite the Moody's Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Rating"** means the Moody's Default Probability Rating; *provided* that, with respect to the Collateral Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or any successor to it ceases to provide rating services, references to rating categories of Moody's in the Indenture shall be deemed instead to be references to the equivalent categories of any other nationally recognized investment rating agency selected by the Servicer, as of the most recent date on which such other rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which such alternative rating agency is used.

**"Moody's Rating Factor"** means the number in the table below opposite the rating of the Collateral Obligation (excluding Synthetic Securities where an Assigned Moody's Rating is not available).

<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>	<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>
Aaa	1	Ba1	940
Aa1	10	Ba2	1350
Aa2	20	Ba3	1766
Aa3	40	B1	2220
A1	70	B2	2720
A2	120	B3	3490
A3	180	Caa1	4770
Baa1	260	Caa2	6500
Baa2	360	Caa3	8070
Baa3	610	Ca or lower	10000

The Moody's Rating Factor for Collateral Obligations that are Synthetic Securities shall be determined by Moody's and obtained by the Issuer or the Servicer on a case-by-case basis, unless there is an Assigned Moody's Rating available for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, in which case such Assigned Moody's Rating shall be used to compute the Moody's Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security.

The Moody's Rating Factor for any Collateral Obligation that is a Structured Finance Security shall be equal to:  $\frac{A \times 55\%}{1 - B}$ ,

where: "A" means the number determined with respect to such Collateral Obligation pursuant to the table above; and



“B” means the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

**“Moody’s Senior Secured Loan”** means:

(i) a Loan that:

(A) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan;

(B) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor’s obligations under the Loan; and

(C) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal seniority secured by a first lien or security interest in the same collateral; or

(ii) a Loan that:

(A) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan, other than, with respect to a Loan described in clause (i) above, with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such loan;

(B) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor’s obligations under the Loan;

(C) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by a first or second lien or security interest in the same collateral; and

(D) has a Moody’s rating equal to or higher than the applicable Moody’s corporate family rating; and

(iii) the Loan is not: (A) a DIP Loan, (B) a Loan for which the security interest or lien (or the validity or effectiveness thereof) in substantially all of its collateral attaches, becomes effective, or otherwise “springs” into existence after the origination thereof, or (C) a type of loan that Moody’s has identified as having unusual terms and with respect to which its Moody’s Recovery Rate has been or is to be determined on a case-by-case basis.

**“Non-Consenting Holder”** means with respect to any supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, any Holder or, in the case of Securities represented by Global Notes, any beneficial owner, that either (i) has delivered to the Trustee a written notice that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) had not consented to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

**“Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder”** means with respect to any supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, any Holder of Holding Preference Shares that either (i) has directed Investors Corp. not to consent to such

supplemental indenture or (ii) has not provided Investors Corp. with any direction with respect to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

**“Non-Performing Collateral Obligation”** means any Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any PIK Security as to which its issuer or obligor has previously deferred or capitalized any interest due on it and all the interest so deferred or capitalized has not subsequently been paid in full in cash by:

(i) if the PIK Security has a Moody’s Rating of “Baa3” (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above or an S&P Rating of “BBB-” (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above, the earlier of its second payment date or one year following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it; or

(ii) if the PIK Security has a Moody’s Rating of “Baa3” and on credit watch with negative implications or below “Baa3,” or an S&P Rating of “BBB-” and on credit watch with negative implications or below “BBB-,” the earlier of its first payment date or six months following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it.

**“Noteholder”** means a Holder of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes.

**“Note Payment Sequence”** means the application of funds in the following order:

(1) to the Class A-1A Notes and the Class A-1B Notes, *pro rata* based on the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each of the Class A-1A Notes and the Class A-1B Notes, until the Class A-1 Notes have been fully redeemed;

(2) to the Class A-2 Notes until the Class A-2 Notes have been fully redeemed;

(3) to the Class B Notes until the Class B Notes have been fully redeemed;

(4) to the Class C Notes until the Class C Notes have been fully redeemed; and

(5) to the Class D Notes until the Class D Notes have been fully redeemed.

**“Offer”** means any Collateral Obligation that is subject to a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion or other similar action.

**“Officer”** means, with respect to the Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to the Co-Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to any partnership, any of its general partners; and with respect to the Trustee, any Trust Officer.

**“Outstanding”** means, with respect to:

(i) the Notes or any specified Class, as of any date of determination, all of the Notes or all of the Notes of the specified Class, as the case may be, theretofore authenticated and delivered under the Indenture, except with respect to Notes:

(A) Notes canceled by the Indenture Registrar or delivered to the Indenture Registrar for cancellation;

(B) Notes for whose payment or redemption funds in the necessary amount have been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust

for their Holders pursuant to Section 4.1(a)(ii) of the Indenture and if the Notes are to be redeemed, notice of redemption has been duly given pursuant to the Indenture;

(C) Notes in exchange for or in lieu of which other Notes have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to the Indenture; and

(D) Notes alleged to have been destroyed, lost, or stolen for which replacement Notes have been issued as provided in Section 2.7 of the Indenture, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Notes are held by a protected purchaser;

(ii) the Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Preference Share Documents and listed in the Preference Share register of the Issuer as outstanding;

(iii) the Holding Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Holding Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Holding Preference Share Documents and listed in the Holding Preference Share register of Investors Corp. as outstanding;

*provided* that, in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Transaction Securities have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver under the Transaction Documents, Transaction Securities owned or beneficially owned by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, any Affiliate of either of them and, with respect to any matter affecting its status as Servicer or appointment of a replacement Servicer or relating to an acceleration of any Class of Notes if the effect of the Servicer's action or inaction as a Holder of Transaction Securities would effectively prevent acceleration, the Servicer, its Affiliates and any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (other than, with respect to Notes or Class II Preference Shares, HFP or any of its subsidiaries; *provided* that, with respect to the voting authority of Notes or Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) shall be disregarded and not be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver, only Securities that a Trust Officer of the Trustee (or with respect to the Preference Shares and Holding Preference Shares, only Preference Shares and Holding Preference Shares that an authorized officer of the Preference Shares Paying Agent or Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable) has actual knowledge to be so owned or beneficially owned shall be so disregarded. Transaction Securities so owned or beneficially owned that have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, the pledgee's right so to act with respect to the Transaction Securities and that the pledgee is independent from the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent.

**"Participating Institution"** means an institution that creates a participation interest and that has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" (and if so rated by Moody's such rating is not on watch for possible downgrade) and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A".

**"Participation"** means a Loan acquired as a participation interest created by a Participating Institution.

**"Permitted Offer"** means a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion, or other similar action pursuant to which the offeror offers to acquire a debt obligation (including a Collateral Obligation) in exchange solely for cash in an amount equal to or greater than the full face amount of the debt obligation plus any accrued and unpaid interest and as to which the Servicer has

determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the offeror has sufficient access to financing to consummate the tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion, or other similar action.

**“PIK Cash-Pay Interest”** means, as to any PIK Security, the portion of interest required to be paid in cash (and not permitted to be added to the balance of such PIK Security or otherwise deferred and accrued) thereon pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments.

**“PIK Security”** means any loan or debt obligation on which any portion of the interest accrued for a specified period of time or until the maturity thereof is, or at the option of the obligor may be, added to the principal balance of such loan or debt obligation or otherwise deferred rather than being paid in cash; *provided* that such loan or debt obligation shall not be a PIK Security if the portion, if any, of such interest required pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments to be paid in Cash would result in the outstanding principal amount of such loan or debt obligation having an effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest at least equal to (i) if such loan or debt obligation is a fixed rate loan or debt obligation, 4.0% per annum, or (ii) if such loan or debt obligation is a floating rate loan or debt obligation, LIBOR.

**“Pledged Obligations”** means, as of any date of determination, the Collateral Obligations, the Workout Assets, the Eligible Investments, and any other securities or obligations that have been granted to the Trustee that form part of the Collateral.

**“Person”** is an individual, corporation (including a business trust), partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust (including any beneficiary thereof), unincorporated association or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

**“Portfolio Improvement Exchange”** means, the disposition, during the Replacement Period, of a Collateral Obligation and corresponding acquisition of one or more Collateral Obligations which in the aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Test, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied (or bring the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations closer to compliance with any such test or limitation) or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith would be improved and (ii) improving, on a net basis, the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test and Concentration Limitations and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased.

**“Preference Share Internal Rate of Return”** means, with respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the “XIRR” function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for the following cash flows, assuming all Preference Shares are purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount:

(i) each distribution of Interest Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date; and

(ii) each distribution of Principal Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date.

**“Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement”** means a Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and Investors Bank & Trust Company, as Preference Shares Paying Agent.

**“Preference Shares Distribution Account”** means a separate segregated non-interest bearing trust account established by the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the benefit of the Issuer pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deposit all amounts received from the Trustee and payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares under the Priority of Payments.

**“Preference Shares Notional Amount”** means, as of the Closing Date, U.S.\$71,400,000 and thereafter as increased each time additional Preference Shares are issued in accordance with the Preference Share Documents.

**“Preference Shares Paying Agent”** means Investors Bank & Trust Company, in its capacity as Preference Shares Paying Agent under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter “Preference Shares Paying Agent” shall mean such successor person.

**“Principal Balance”** means, with respect to:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those specifically covered in this definition, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Pledged Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest, zero, except as otherwise expressly specified in the Indenture;
- (iv) any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, except as otherwise provided, zero;
- (v) any Collateral Obligation that has been loaned, its Principal Balance shall be reduced by the excess of the amount of collateral required over the actual Market Value of the collateral;
- (vi) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance shall include any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer’s obligation to fund the unfunded amount), except as otherwise expressly specified in the Indenture;
- (vii) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance shall not include any principal amount of the PIK Security representing previously deferred or capitalized interest; and
- (viii) any obligation or security that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, zero.

**“Principal Proceeds”** means with respect to any Due Period, all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are not Interest Proceeds or Refinancing Proceeds; *provided* that Principal Proceeds shall include any Refinancing Proceeds to the extent such Refinancing Proceeds are not applied to redeem Notes or pay Administrative Expenses of the Co-Issuers related to a Refinancing.

Principal Proceeds shall include any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account into the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.2 of the Indenture.

Principal Proceeds do not include the Excluded Property or earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

At any time when an “event of default” under a Securities Lending Agreement has occurred and is continuing, any payments received by the Issuer from the related Securities Lending Collateral shall be Principal Proceeds.

“**Priority Class**” means, with respect to any specified Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that ranks senior to that Class.

“**Proceeding**” means any suit in equity, action at law, or other judicial or administrative proceeding.

“**Proposed Portfolio**” means, as of any Measurement Date, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations and Principal Proceeds held as cash on deposit in the Collection Account and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account resulting from the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or a proposed purchase of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

“**Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance**” means, for any Collateral Obligation other than Deep Discount Obligations, its Principal Balance; and for any Deep Discount Obligation its Purchase Price; *provided, however*, that if any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations exist, the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance for the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations shall be the lower of (i) the weighted average Market Value of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances and (ii) the product of (a) 70% and (b) their respective Principal Balance.

“**Purchase Price**” means, with respect to the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (other than any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation), the net purchase price paid by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation. The net purchase price is determined by subtracting from the purchase price the amount of any Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal and any syndication and other upfront fees paid to the Issuer and by adding the amount of any related transaction costs (including assignment fees) paid by the Issuer to the seller of the Collateral Obligation or its agent.

“**Purchase Price Amount**” means, respect to any Collateral Obligation on any date of determination, the product of (i) the Purchase Price (stated as a percentage) thereof and (ii) the Principal Balance thereof on such date.

“**Qualified Equity Security**” means any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that is stock or evidence of an interest in or a right to buy stock, or any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation but whose acquisition otherwise is a transaction in stocks or securities within the meaning of Section 864(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Code and the regulations under the Code. Qualified Equity Securities do not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation and that will cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in or having income from a United States trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes by virtue of its ownership or disposition of the obligation (without regard to the Issuer’s other activities).

“**Ramp-Up Period**” means the period from and including the Closing Date to and including the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

“**Rating Agency**” means, each of Moody’s and S&P or, with respect to Pledged Obligations generally, if at any time Moody’s or S&P ceases to provide rating services with respect to high-yield debt securities, any other nationally recognized statistical rating organization selected by the Issuer and reasonably satisfactory to a Majority of each Class of Notes. If at any time Moody’s ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of Moody’s in the Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and Moody’s published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the

replacement rating agency is used. If at any time S&P ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of S&P in the Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and S&P published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used.

**“Rating Condition”** means, with respect to any Rating Agency and any action taken or to be taken under the Indenture, a condition that is satisfied when the Rating Agency has confirmed to the Servicer (as agent for the Issuer) in writing that no withdrawal, reduction, suspension, or other adverse action with respect to any then current rating by it (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes will occur as a result of the action. The Rating Condition with respect to any Rating Agency shall be satisfied for all purposes of the Indenture at any time when no Outstanding Notes are rated by it.

**“Rating Confirmation”** means confirmation in writing from each Rating Agency that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes.

**“Rating Criteria”** means the criteria that will be satisfied on any date with respect to any Holder of Class A-1B Notes during the Delayed Drawdown Period only, if the short-term debt, deposit or similar obligations of such Holder (or its guarantor) are on such date rated at least “P-1” (but not “P-1” on credit watch for downgrade) by Moody’s and “A-1” by S&P (but not “A-1” on credit watch for downgrade).

**“Ratings Matrix”** means the “row/column combination” of the table below selected by the Servicer on the Closing Date to apply initially for purposes of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test. Thereafter, on notice to the Trustee, the Servicer may select a different row of the Ratings Matrix to apply, or may interpolate between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable, on a straight-line basis and round the results to two decimal points.

Minimum Weighted Average Spread	Minimum Diversity Score					
	60	65	70	75	80	85
2.65%	2610	2640	2670	2700	2730	2760
2.75%	2640	2670	2710	2740	2770	2800
2.85%	2670	2710	2740	2770	2810	2850
2.90%	2690	2730	2760	2790	2830	2870
2.95%	2710	2750	2780	2810	2850	2890
3.05%	2740	2780	2820	2860	2900	2930

**“Recovery Rate Modifier”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the lesser of 60 and the product of:

(i) (a) the Moody’s Minimum Average Recovery Rate *minus* the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test (but not less than zero) *multiplied* by (b) 100; and

(ii) 40.

**“Redemption Date”** means any Payment Date specified for an Optional Redemption under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

**“Redemption Price”** means, with respect to any Note and any Optional Redemption, an amount equal to:

(i) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of the Note being redeemed; *plus*

- (ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest); *plus*
- (iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note; *plus*
- (iv) in the case of the Class A-1B Notes, any accrued and unpaid Delayed Drawdown Fee; *plus*
- (v) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

With respect to any Preference Share and any Optional Redemption, “Redemption Price” means (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares of the remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications pursuant to the Priority of Payments or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case as specified in “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares.”

“**Reference Obligation**” means an obligation that would otherwise satisfy the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and on which a Synthetic Security is based; *provided* that no Reference Obligation shall be a Synthetic Security.

“**Refinancing Price**” means, with respect to any Class of Notes that is subject to a Refinancing, an amount equal to the Redemption Price therefor.

“**Refinancing Proceeds**” means the proceeds from any Refinancing permitted by the Indenture.

“**Registered**” means, with respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment, means that it is issued after July 18, 1984 and is in registered form within the meaning of Section 881(c)(2)(B)(i) of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.

“**Regulation D**” means Regulation D under the Securities Act.

“**Relevant Obligation**” means, for a Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security, and otherwise the Collateral Obligation.

“**Removal Buy-Out Purchaser**” means the Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent).

“**Repository**” means the internet-based password protected electronic repository of transaction documents relating to privately offered and sold collateralized debt obligation securities located at “www.cdolibrary.com” operated by The Bond Market Association. Information on this website is not considered part of this Offering Memorandum in any way.

“**Required Redemption Percentage**” means, with respect to (a) any Optional Redemption resulting from a Tax Event, the Holders of at least 66 2/3% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of any Affected Class or the Holders of at least 66 2/3% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares and (b) any other Optional Redemption, a Majority of the Preference Shares.

“**Retention Overcollateralization Ratio**” means, as of any Measurement Date, the ratio obtained by dividing: (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator by (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes, excluding any Deferred Interest on any Class of Notes.

“**Revolving Loan**” means a Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation (in each case excluding any Delayed Drawdown Loan) that requires the Issuer to make future advances to (or for the account of) the borrower under its underlying instruments (including any letter of credit for which the



Issuer is required to reimburse the issuing bank for under it). A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Revolving Loan for so long as its commitment amount is greater than zero.

**“S&P CDO Monitor”** means a dynamic, analytical computer model developed by S&P (and as may be modified by S&P from time to time) and provided to the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator to be used to calculate the default frequency in terms of the amount of debt assumed to default as a percentage of the original principal amount of the Collateral Obligations consistent with a specified benchmark rating level based on certain assumptions and S&P’s proprietary corporate default studies. For the purpose (and only for the purpose) of applying the S&P CDO Monitor to a portfolio of obligations, for each obligation in the portfolio, the rating of the obligation shall be its S&P Rating.

**“S&P Excel Default Model Input File”** means an electronic spreadsheet file in Microsoft Excel format to be provided to S&P, which file shall include the following information (to the extent such information is not confidential) with respect to each Collateral Obligation::

- (a) the name and country of domicile of the issuer thereof and the particular issue held by the Issuer,
- (b) the CUSIP or other applicable identification number associated with such Collateral Obligation,
- (c) the par value of such Collateral Obligation,
- (d) the type of issue (including, by way of example, whether such Collateral Obligation is a bond, loan or asset-backed security), using such abbreviations as may be selected by the Trustee,
- (e) a description of the index or other applicable benchmark upon which the interest payable on such Collateral Obligation is based (including, by way of example, fixed rate, step-up rate, zero coupon and LIBOR),
- (f) the coupon (in the case of a Collateral Obligation which bears interest at a fixed rate) or the spread over the applicable index (in the case of a Collateral Obligation which bears interest at a floating rate),
- (g) the S&P Industry Classification for such Collateral Obligation,
- (h) the stated maturity date of such Collateral Obligation,
- (i) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation or the issuer thereof, as applicable,
- (j) the priority category assigned by S&P to such Collateral Obligation, if available,
- (k) such other information as the Trustee may determine to include in such file, and
- (l) the principal balance in cash and Eligible Investments.

**“S&P Industry Classification”** means the S&P Industry Classifications in Schedule 3 of the Indenture as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by S&P.

**“S&P Priority Category”** means each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of “Applicable Percentage” as an “S&P Priority Category.”

**“S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate”** means, for any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of “Applicable Percentage” opposite the S&P Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

“**S&P Rating**” means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following methodology:

(i) If there is an issuer credit rating of the borrower of the Collateral Obligation (the “Borrower”), or the guarantor who unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the Collateral Obligation (the “Guarantor”) by S&P, the most current issuer credit rating for such Borrower or Guarantor (*provided* that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating);

(ii) (a) if there is not an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation will be one subcategory below such rating; (b) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior unsecured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be such rating; and (c) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a subordinated obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be two subcategories above such rating if such rating is “BBB-” or higher and will be one subcategory above such rating if such rating is “BB+” or lower (*provided* that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating); or

(iii) if there is neither an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P nor a rating by S&P on an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating may be determined using any one of the methods below:

(A) if an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is publicly rated by Moody’s, then the S&P Rating will be determined in accordance with the methodologies for establishing the Moody’s Default Probability Rating, except that the S&P Rating of such obligation will be (1) one subcategory below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody’s if such security is rated “Baa3” or higher by Moody’s and (2) two subcategories below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody’s if such security is rated “Bal” or lower by Moody’s; *provided* that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may be given a S&P Rating based on a rating given by Moody’s as provided in this subclause (A) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

(B) if no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody’s, then the Servicer may apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating estimate, which will be its S&P Rating; *provided* that, on or prior to each one-year anniversary of the acquisition of any such Collateral Obligation, the Issuer shall submit to S&P a request for a S&P credit rating estimate for such Collateral Obligation, which shall be its S&P Rating, together with all information reasonably required by S&P to perform such estimate; or

(C) if such Collateral Obligation is not rated by Moody’s or S&P, no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody’s and if the Servicer determines in its sole discretion based on information available to it after reasonable inquiry that such Borrower (x) is not subject to any bankruptcy or reorganization proceedings nor in default on any of its obligations (unless the subject of a good faith business dispute), (y) is a legally constituted corporate entity having the minimum legal, financial and operational infrastructure to carry on a definable business, deliver and sell a product or service and report its results in generally accepted accounting terms as verified by a reputable audit firm and (z) is not so vulnerable to adverse business, financial and economic conditions that default in its financial or other

obligations is foreseeable in the near term if current operating trends continue, then the S&P Rating will be “B-”; *provided* that the Servicer must apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating on such Borrower within 30 days after the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation; *provided, further*, that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 5% of the Maximum Amount may be given an S&P Rating based on this subclause (c) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

*provided* that, if (i) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any positive “credit watch” list by S&P, such rating will be increased by one rating subcategory or (ii) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any negative “credit watch” list by S&P, such rating will be decreased by one rating subcategory.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the S&P Rating shall be (A) the rating assigned thereto by S&P if the rating is public, (B) the rating assigned by S&P if the rating is confidential, but only if all appropriate parties have provided written consent to its disclosure and use, (C) the rating assigned by S&P thereto through an estimated rating or (D) the rating assigned thereto by S&P in connection with the acquisition thereof upon the request of the Servicer. In the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a PIK Security, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Securities, the S&P Rating may not be determined pursuant to clause (iii)(A) above.

S&P Ratings for entities or obligations relevant hereunder other than Borrowers and Collateral Obligations shall be determined in a corresponding manner.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if and for so long as the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations consisting in the aggregate of (x) Participations and (y) Synthetic Securities exceeds 20% of the Maximum Amount, then the S&P Rating for the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations representing that excess (determined assuming the excess is comprised of the Collateral Obligations having the lowest S&P Ratings that would otherwise be applicable as determined above) shall be the S&P Rating one sub-category below the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be applicable as determined above. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture, if a S&P Rating is withdrawn by S&P with respect to a Collateral Obligation, the Issuer will continue using the latest S&P Rating available immediately prior to such withdrawal until a bankruptcy event occurs with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

**“S&P Unrated DIP Loan”** means a DIP Loan acquired by the Issuer that does not have a rating assigned by S&P and for which the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P (as specified in the definition of “DIP Loan”).

**“Sale Proceeds”** means all proceeds received (including any proceeds received with respect to any associated interest rate swap or security providing fixed annuity payments ) with respect to Collateral Obligations or other Pledged Obligations as a result of their sales or other dispositions less any reasonable expenses expended by the Servicer or the Trustee in connection with the sales or other dispositions, which shall be paid from such proceeds notwithstanding their characterization otherwise as Administrative Expenses.

**“Second Lien Loan”** means a Loan that (i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinated in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan other than a Senior Secured Loan with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such Loan and (ii) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest in or lien on specified collateral securing the obligor’s obligations under the Loan which security interest or lien is not subordinate to the security interest or lien securing any other debt for borrowed money and, which specified collateral does not consist solely of common stock or shares issued by the obligor or any of its Affiliates or intangible assets.

**“Second Trigger Collateral Amount”** means the collateral to be posted by a downgraded Hedge Counterparty as required by the Indenture and determined by the following table:

<b>Second Trigger Collateral Amounts<sup>1</sup></b>	
<b>Single currency swap, no optionality (excludes transaction-specific hedges, caps, floors &amp; swaptions)</b>	
Daily Posting:	$\text{Max}[0, \text{next payment}, \text{MtM}^2 + \text{Min}[50 * \text{DV01}, 8\% * \text{hedge notional}]]$
Weekly Posting:	$\text{Max}[0, \text{next payment}, \text{MtM}^2 + \text{Min}[60 * \text{DV01}, 9\% * \text{hedge notional}]]$
<b>Single currency transaction-specific hedges, caps, floors &amp; swaptions</b>	
Daily Posting:	$\text{Max}[0, \text{next payment}, \text{MtM}^2 + \text{Min}[65 * \text{DV01}^3, 10\% * \text{hedge notional}]]$
Weekly Posting:	$\text{Max}[0, \text{next payment}, \text{MtM}^2 + \text{Min}[75 * \text{DV01}^3, 11\% * \text{hedge notional}]]$
<b>Cross-currency swap, no optionality (excludes transaction-specific hedges, caps, floors &amp; swaptions)</b>	
Daily Posting:	$\text{Max}[0, \text{next payment}^4, \text{MtM}^2 + \text{Min}[6.00\% \text{ of hedge notional}^6 + 15 * \text{DV016}, 9\% * \text{hedge notional}^5]]$
Weekly Posting:	$\text{Max}[0, \text{next payment}^4, \text{MtM}^2 + \text{Min}[7.00\% \text{ of hedge notional}^6 + 25 * \text{DV016}, 10\% * \text{hedge notional}^5]]$
<b>Cross-currency transaction-specific hedges, caps, floors &amp; swaptions</b>	
Daily Posting:	$\text{Max}[0, \text{next payment}^4, \text{MtM}^2 + \text{Min}[6.00\% \text{ of hedge notional}^6 + 30 * \text{DV01}^{3,6}, 11\% \text{ hedge notional}^5]]$
Weekly Posting:	$\text{Max}[0, \text{next payment}^4, \text{MtM}^2 + \text{Min}[7.00\% \text{ of hedge notional}^6 + 40 * \text{DV01}^{3,6}, 12\% * \text{hedge notional}^5]]$

1. Calculation should be in same currency as that of rated liabilities. However, for certain single-currency hedges addressing asset mismatches only, calculation may be made in the currency of the hedge itself, even where different from that of the rated liabilities.
2. MtM = Mid-market value.
3. "DV01" for transaction-specific hedge uses same assumptions as mid-market value.
4. Excludes exchange of principal.
5. "Hedge Notional" for cross-currency hedge = notional of that leg denominated in same currency as rated liabilities of cashflow transaction.
6. Larger of two DV01's corresponding to each leg of a cross-currency hedge.

**"Secondary Risk Counterparty"** means any obligor Domiciled other than in the United States, any Participating Institution, any Synthetic Security Counterparty and any Securities Lending Counterparty.

**"Secondary Risk Table"** means the table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty		Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
Moody's	S&P		
Aaa	AAA	20.0%	20.0%
Aa1	AA+	10.0%	10.0%
Aa2	AA	10.0%	10.0%
Aa3	AA-	10.0%	10.0%
A1	A+	5.0%	10.0%
A2 or below	A or below	0.0%	0.0%

If any Secondary Risk Counterparty's long-term senior unsecured debt rating or short-term rating is on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P, then for the purposes of the table above, its rating by the Rating Agency putting its rating on credit watch shall be one rating notch lower for that Rating Agency.

**"Secured High-Yield Bond"** means a High-Yield Bond that is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**"Secured Loan"** means a Loan that is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**"Secured Parties"** means the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer and each Hedge Counterparty.

**"Securities Lending Collateral"** means Cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the relevant Securities Lending Agreement and that are pledged by a Securities Lending Counterparty as collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement.

**"Selected Collateral Quality Tests"** means Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Life Test (after taking into consideration any applicable Maturity Extension), the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the Diversity Test.

**"Senior Secured High-Yield Bond"** means a Secured High-Yield Bond that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a first priority perfected security interest in collateral that in the opinion of the Servicer has value at least equal to the amount of the High-Yield Bond.

**"Senior Secured Loan"** means a Secured Loan that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a valid first priority perfected security interest in collateral that in the opinion of the Servicer has value at least equal to the amount of the Loan.

**"Senior Unsecured High-Yield Bond"** means a High-Yield Bond that is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**"Senior Unsecured Loan"** means a Loan that is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**"Servicer Originated Loans"** means any Collateral Obligation that is a Loan originated by the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer; *provided* that for any Servicer Originated Loan that is a Middle Market Loan and is included in the Collateral, the Servicer will not grant any forbearance to the related obligor.

**"Servicing Agreement"** means the Servicing Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Servicer, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Spread Excess"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose (i) numerator is the product of (A) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date over the Minimum Weighted Average Spread specified in the applicable row of the Ratings Matrix and (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date and (ii) denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral

Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date. In computing the Spread Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Fixed Rate Excess were equal to zero.

**“Structured Finance Obligation”** means any obligation (other than the Notes or any other security or obligation issued by the Issuer):

(i) secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool of receivables or other assets of U.S. obligors, or obligors organized or incorporated in Moody’s Group I Countries, Moody’s Group II Countries, Moody’s Group III Countries or Tax Advantaged Jurisdictions, including portfolio credit default swaps and collateralized debt obligations, but excludes:

- (A) residential mortgage-backed securities;
- (B) collateralized debt obligations backed by Emerging Market Securities;
- (C) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by asset-backed securities;
- (D) market value collateralized debt obligations;
- (E) securities backed by “future flow” receivables;
- (F) securities backed by “trust preferred securities”;
- (G) net interest margin securitizations;
- (H) collateralized debt obligations backed primarily by other collateralized debt obligations;
- (I) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by one or more credit default swaps (i.e. “synthetic CDOs”); and
- (J) collateralized debt obligations a significant portion of which are backed by bonds;

- (ii) that has an S&P Rating and an S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate;
- (iii) that has a rating and a Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate assigned by Moody’s;
- (iv) that is Registered; and

(v) whose ownership or disposition (without regard to the Issuer’s other activities) by the Issuer will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

In connection with the purchase of a Structured Finance Obligation, the Servicer shall obtain from Moody’s the applicable Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate.

For purposes of the Diversity Test, multiple Structured Finance Obligations from CDOs serviced by the same Servicer or multiple Structured Finance Obligations issued by the same master trust will be considered to be obligations of one issuer.

**“Subordinated High-Yield Bond”** means a Secured High-Yield Bond secured by a second (or lower) priority perfected security interest in the relevant collateral.

**“Subordinated Lien Loan”** means a Secured Loan (other than a Second Lien Loan) secured by a second (or lower) priority perfected security interest in the relevant collateral.

**“Subscription Agreement”** means a subscription agreement dated between a purchaser and the Issuer entered into on or before the Closing Date for the subscription of a specified number of Class D Notes or Preference Shares, as applicable.

**“Super Majority”** means, with respect to any Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**“Synthetic Security”** means any swap transaction, structured bond, credit linked note, or other derivative financial instrument providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a debt instrument (but excluding any such instrument relating directly to a basket or portfolio of debt instruments) or an index or indices (such as the “SAMI” index published by Credit Suisse First Boston) in connection with a basket or portfolio of debt instruments or other similar instruments entered into by the Issuer with a Synthetic Security Counterparty that has in the Servicer’s commercially reasonable judgment, equivalent expected loss characteristics (those characteristics, **“credit risk”**) to those of the related Reference Obligations (taking account of those considerations as they relate to the Synthetic Security Counterparty), if (i) it is either a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied, and (ii) the Reference Obligations thereof have a Market Value equal to at least 85% of the Principal Balance of the Reference Obligation at the time the Synthetic Security is entered into.

The maturity, interest rate, and other non-credit characteristics of a Synthetic Security may be different from the Reference Obligations to which the credit risk of the Synthetic Security relates.

No Synthetic Security shall require the Issuer to make any payment to the Synthetic Security Counterparty after its initial purchase other than any payments represented by the release of any cash collateral posted by the Issuer from the Collection Account to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account simultaneously with the Issuer’s purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of the posted cash collateral. Collateral may be posted only to a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account. No Synthetic Security shall result in the Issuer being a “buyer” of credit protection.

The term Synthetic Security shall not include any Structured Finance Obligation or any Participation, but the Reference Obligation of a Synthetic Security may be a Structured Finance Obligation.

Each Synthetic Security Agreement shall contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those contained in the Indenture.

The ownership or disposition of any Synthetic Security (without regard to the Issuer’s other activities) must not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

Unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any “deliverable obligation” that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any “credit event” under any proposed Synthetic Security must not provide that its transfer to the Issuer is subject to obtaining any consents and must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such “deliverable obligation” is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any “credit event”) as a Collateral Obligation and satisfy the Concentration Limitations under the Indenture, except that such “deliverable obligation” may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a “credit event” and if the Reference

Obligation of the Synthetic Security is a Senior Secured Loan then the “deliverable obligation” under the Synthetic Security must also be a Senior Secured Loan.

No Synthetic Security may provide for any event other than bankruptcy or a failure to pay as a “credit-event”.

For purposes of the Coverage Tests and the Retention Overcollateralization Test, unless the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied in respect of any proposed alternative treatment, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in the Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in the Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligation.

With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, for purposes of: (i) calculating compliance with the Diversity Test, the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test, and the Concentration Limitations (other than limits relating to payment characteristics and except for clauses 17 and 17(a) of the definition of “Concentration Limitations”), and all related definitions, and (ii) any other provision or definition of the Indenture involving a determination with respect to a Reference Obligation, the characteristics of such Reference Obligations shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each such Reference Obligation in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation. In addition, each Reference Obligation under such Synthetic Security shall be assigned a Moody’s Rating Factor equal to the sum of the Moody’s Rating Factor of (i) the related Reference Obligor, (ii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty of such Synthetic Security and (iii) the Synthetic Security Collateral of such Synthetic Security. In addition, the Moody’s Priority Category Rate in respect of a Synthetic Security referencing multiple Reference Obligations pursuant to this paragraph shall be the Moody’s Priority Category Rate as assigned by Moody’s to each Reference Obligation underlying such Synthetic Security. For the avoidance of doubt, Reference Obligations upon which a Synthetic Security is based as described in this paragraph must meet the definition of “Collateral Obligation” to the extent provided in this definition.

If the Rating Condition must be satisfied to execute the purchase of any Synthetic Security, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall give each applicable Rating Agency not less than 10 days’ prior notice of the purchase of or entry into any Synthetic Security.

**“Synthetic Security Agreement”** means the documentation governing any Synthetic Security.

**“Synthetic Security Collateral”** means, respect to any Synthetic Security, amounts posted to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account by the Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its obligations under the Synthetic Security, including (i) all Eligible Investments or (ii) Collateral Obligations that satisfy the Rating Condition, in each case that mature no later than the Stated Maturity, in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account that are purchased with Synthetic Security Collateral.



**“Synthetic Security Counterparty”** means any entity required to make payments on a Synthetic Security to the extent that a reference obligor makes payments on a related Reference Obligation.

**“Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction”** means one of the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the Netherlands Antilles or the tax advantaged jurisdiction of the Channel Islands, or such other jurisdiction that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto; *provided* that any Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction (with the exception of the Cayman Islands) must be rated at least “Aa2” by Moody’s.

**“Tax Event”** means an event that occurs if either:

(i) (A) one or more Collateral Obligations that were not subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them have become subject to withholding tax or the rate of withholding has increased on one or more Collateral Obligations that were subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them and (B) in any Due Period, the aggregate of the payments subject to withholding tax on new withholding tax obligations and the increase in payments subject to withholding tax on increased rate withholding tax obligations, in each case to the extent not “grossed-up” (on an after-tax basis) by the related obligor, represent 5.0% or more of Interest Proceeds for the Due Period;

(ii) taxes, fees, assessments, or other similar charges are imposed on the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in an aggregate amount in any twelve-month period in excess of U.S.\$2,000,000, other than any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax with respect to any payment owing in respect of any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation or Collateral Obligation; or

(iii) if the Issuer is at the time treated as a pass-through entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes, that investors in the Preference Shares who are non-U.S. persons not otherwise subject to U.S. net income tax are or have become subject to U.S. net income taxation in respect of income of the Issuer in an amount in excess of 10% of the net income of the Issuer in any twelve-month period.

**“Transaction Documents”** means, collectively, the Indenture, the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

**“Transaction Securities”** means, collectively, the Securities and the Holding Preference Shares.

**“Treasury Regulations”** means regulations, including proposed or temporary regulations, promulgated under the Code. References herein to specific provisions of proposed or temporary regulations shall include analogous provisions of final Treasury Regulations or other successor Treasury Regulations.

**“UCC”** means the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the State of New York, and as amended from time to time.

**“Underlying Instrument”** means the loan agreement, indenture, credit agreement, or other agreement pursuant to which a Pledged Obligation has been issued or created and each other agreement that governs the terms of or secures the obligations represented by the Pledged Obligation or of which the holders of the Pledged Obligation are the beneficiaries.

**“Undrawn Amount”** means, at any time with respect to any Class A-1B Note, the excess, if any, of (x) the applicable portion of the Fully Drawn Amount relating to such Class A-1B Note over (y) the Drawn Amount under such Class A-1B Note; *provided* that any funds deposited with the Trustee in the Class A-1B Funding Account as a result of the failure of a Holder of a Class A-1B Note to satisfy the Rating Criteria during the Delayed Drawdown Period as set forth in the Indenture will for all purposes be

part of the Undrawn Amount of such Class A-1B Note and such Holder will be entitled to receive the applicable Delayed Drawdown Fee thereon.

**“Unscheduled Principal Payments”** means any principal payments received with respect to a Collateral Obligation as a result of optional redemptions, exchange offers, tender offers, other payments or prepayments made at the option of the issuer thereof or that are otherwise not scheduled to be made thereunder.

**“Valuation Report”** means the accounting report, determined as of the close of business on each Determination Date, rendered in accordance with the terms of the Indenture.

**“Voting Record Date”** means, with respect to any vote by the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares in relation to the appointment or removal of the directors of the Issuer, (a) 15 days prior to the relevant shareholders meeting or (b) in the case of any vote by the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares exercised by written consent resolution, the date of such resolution.

**“Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the rate obtained by:

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Fixed Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum rate at which it pays interest (other than, with respect to Collateral Obligations that are not PIK Securities, any interest that is not required to be paid in Cash and may be deferred), using only the effective after-tax interest rate determined by the Servicer on any Fixed Rate Obligation after taking into account any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction and any gross-up paid by the obligor);

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);

(iii) dividing the sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations that are Fixed Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, adding to the sum the amount of any Spread Excess as of the Measurement Date, but only to the extent required to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test.

**“Weighted Average Life”** means, as of any Measurement Date the number obtained by (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying (A) the Average Life at that time of each Collateral Obligation by (B) the Principal Balance at that time of the Collateral Obligation and (ii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance at that time of all Collateral Obligations.

**“Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor”** means the summation of the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation (excluding Eligible Investments) by its respective Moody’s Rating Factor, dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) and rounding the result up to the nearest whole number.

**“Weighted Average Spread”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate obtained by:

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Floating Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum contract spread at which it pays interest (which (x) for PIK Securities for which interest has been deferred or capitalized, will be deemed to be zero and (y) for Collateral Obligations that would be PIK Securities but for the proviso in the definition thereof, will be deemed to be equal to the effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest applicable thereto), determined with respect to any Floating Rate Obligation that does not bear interest based on a London interbank offered rate, by expressing the

current interest rate on the Floating Rate Obligation as a spread above a three-month London interbank offered rate calculated in a manner consistent with the calculation of LIBOR;

- (ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);
- (iii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and
- (iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to pass the Weighted Average Spread Test, adding to that sum the amount of Fixed Rate Excess as of the Measurement Date.

For purposes of calculating the Weighted Average Spread, the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall not include any of its unfunded amount.

**“Warehoused Loans”** means Loans and other obligations acquired by the Issuer before the Closing Date.

**“Workout Assets”** means a Loan, High-Yield Bond, or Qualified Equity Security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation that the Issuer does not advance any funds to purchase that does not qualify as a Collateral Obligation.

**“Written-Down Obligation”** means as of any date of determination, any Structured Finance Obligation as to which the Issuer or the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, has been notified by the issuer of the Structured Finance Obligation that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Structured Finance Obligation and all other Structured Finance Obligations secured by the same pool of collateral that rank *pari passu* with or senior in priority of payment to the Structured Finance Obligation exceeds the aggregate principal balance (including reserved interest or other amounts available for overcollateralization) of all collateral securing the Structured Finance Obligation and such other *pari passu* and senior Structured Finance Obligations (excluding defaulted collateral).

**“Zero-Coupon Security”** means a security that, at the time of determination, does not make periodic payments of interest. A Zero-Coupon Security shall not include a security that is a PIK Security.

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**INVESTORS BANK & TRUST COMPANY**

Trustee

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**INDENTURE**

Dated as of December 21, 2006

**COLLATERALIZED DEBT OBLIGATIONS**

U.S.\$388,700,000 Class A-1A Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2022  
U.S.\$75,000,000 Class A-1B Delayed Draw Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2022  
U.S.\$51,500,000 Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2022  
U.S.\$68,600,000 Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2022  
U.S.\$23,800,000 Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2022  
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INDENTURE, dated as of December 21, 2006, among BRENTWOOD CLO, LTD. (the “*Issuer*”), BRENTWOOD CLO, CORP. (the “*Co-Issuer*”) and INVESTORS BANK & TRUST COMPANY, as trustee (in such capacity, together with its permitted successors in such capacity, the “*Trustee*”).

#### PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

The Co-Issuers are duly authorized to execute and deliver this Indenture to provide for the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes, in each case issuable as provided in this Indenture. All covenants and agreements made by the Co-Issuers in this Indenture are for the benefit and security of the Secured Parties. The Co-Issuers are entering into this Indenture, and the Trustee is accepting the trusts created by this Indenture, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged.

All things necessary to make this Indenture a valid agreement of the Co-Issuers in accordance with the agreement’s terms have been done.

#### GRANTING CLAUSES

The Issuer Grants to the Trustee, for the benefit and security of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer and each Hedge Counterparty (collectively, the “*Secured Parties*”), all of its right, title, and interest in, to, and under, in each case, whether now owned or existing, or hereafter acquired or arising:

(a) the Collateral Obligations (listed, as of the Closing Date, in Schedule 1 to this Indenture and as such Schedule 1 may be modified, amended and revised subsequent to the Closing Date by the Issuer) and all Workout Assets, including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles (as defined in the UCC) relating thereto, all payments made or to be made thereon or with respect thereto, and all Collateral Obligations and Workout Assets including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles (as defined in the UCC) relating thereto, which are delivered or credited to the Trustee, or for which a Security Entitlement is delivered or credited to the Trustee or which are credited to one or more of the Issuer Accounts on or after the Closing Date and all payments made or to be made thereon or with respect thereto;

(b) the Custodial Account, the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Class A-1B Funding Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Securities Lending Account (collectively, the “*Issuer Accounts*”), Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, and all income from funds in the Issuer Accounts;

(c) the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account (and, together with the Issuer Accounts, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the “*Accounts*”) and assets included therein, subject to the terms of the related Synthetic Security (provided, however, that any such rights in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee (or Securities Intermediary) first to secure the Issuer’s payment obligations to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty and second for the benefit of the Secured Parties);

(d) the Servicing Agreement, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Securities Lending Agreements and all Securities Lending Collateral and the Securities Lending Account, the Hedge Agreements as set forth in Article 15 and all Collateral securing the Hedge Counterparty’s obligations thereunder including, without limitation, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Collateral Administration Agreement to the extent of any rights of the Issuer therein;

(e) all Cash or money delivered to the Trustee (or its bailee);

(f) all securities, investments, investment property, instruments, money and agreements of any nature in which the Issuer has an interest (except for money, securities and investments in the Issuer's bank account in the Cayman Islands), including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles (as defined in the UCC) relating thereto; and

(g) all proceeds with respect to the foregoing;

(all of the property and assets described in foregoing clauses (a) through (g), but excluding the Excluded Property, the "*Collateral*").

These Grants are not intended to and do not transfer any liability under the Collateral, which liabilities shall remain the sole obligation of the Issuer. These Grants are made, however, in trust as separate trusts, to secure the Notes. Except as provided in Article 13 and the priorities set forth in the Priority of Payments, the Notes are secured by the first grant equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction between any Note and any other Note because of difference in time of issuance or otherwise. The Grants are made to secure, in accordance with the priorities in the Priority of Payments and Article 13:

(i) the payment of all amounts due on the Notes equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction between any Note and any other Note because of difference in time of issuance or otherwise, in accordance with their terms;

(ii) the payment of all other sums payable under this Indenture (other than amounts payable in respect of the Preference Shares);

(iii) the payment of sums payable to any Hedge Counterparty under a Hedge Agreement;

(iv) the payment of sums payable to the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement; and

(v) compliance with this Indenture;

(collectively, the "*Secured Obligations*"), all as provided in this Indenture.

The Trustee acknowledges the Grants, accepts the trusts under this Indenture in accordance with this Indenture, and agrees to perform its duties in this Indenture in accordance with the provisions hereof.

## ARTICLE I.

### DEFINITIONS

#### Section 1.1. Definitions

Except as otherwise specified in this Indenture or as the context may otherwise require, the following terms have the respective meanings provided below for all purposes of this Indenture.

**"A/B Exchange"**: An exchange of one security (the "*A Security*") for another security (the "*B Security*") of the same issuer or issuers, which security shall have substantially identical terms to the A

Security except that one or more transfer restrictions applicable to the A Security are inapplicable to the B Security.

**“Accounts”**: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**“Accountants’ Certificate”**: An agreed upon procedures report of a firm of Independent certified public accountants of international reputation appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8(a), which may be the firm of Independent accountants that performs certain accounting services for the Issuer or the Servicer.

**“Accrued Interest On Sale”**: Interest accrued on a Collateral Obligation at the time of sale or other disposition to the extent paid to the Issuer as part of the sale or other disposition price of the Collateral Obligation after deduction of any amount representing Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal”**: (a) Interest accrued on or purchased with a Collateral Obligation as part of the price paid by the Issuer to acquire the Collateral Obligation less any amount of Interest Proceeds (applied as Interest Proceeds) applied by the Issuer to acquire the accrued interest at the time of purchase and (b) interest accrued on a Warehoused Loan as part of the price paid by the Issuer to repurchase and terminate the related participation under the Warehouse Agreement.

**“Act”**: The meaning specified in Section 14.2.

**“Administration Agreement”**: The Administration Agreement, between the Issuer and the Administrator, providing for the administrative functions of the Issuer, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**“Administrative Expense Cap”**: An amount on any Payment Date equal to the excess of:

(a) the sum of 0.055% of the Maximum Amount on the related Determination Date plus U.S.\$200,000 *over*

(b) the sum of the amounts paid for Administrative Expenses in the twelve months preceding the current Payment Date.

**“Administrative Expenses”**: Amounts due or accrued representing

(a) tax preparation, filing, and registration fees or expenses and any other filing and registration fees owed by the Co-Issuers or Investors Corp. (including all filing, registration, and annual return fees payable to the Cayman Islands government and registered office fees);

(b) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Trustee (including all amounts under Section 6.8), the Administrator, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Collateral Administrator;

(c) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Co-Issuers and Investors Corp. and of accountants, agents, and counsel for each of the Co-Issuers and Investors Corp.;

(d) fees and expenses of the Rating Agencies in connection with any rating of the Notes owed by either Co-Issuer (including fees and expenses for on-going surveillance, credit estimates, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies);

(e) expenses and indemnities (but not Servicing Fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;

(f) fees, indemnities and expenses for third-party loan pricing services and accountants; and

(g) amounts due (other than indemnities) to any other person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for in this Indenture, including fees or expenses in connection with any Securities Lending Agreement.

**“Administrator”**: Maples Finance Limited.

**“Affected Class”**: Any Class of Notes that, as a result of the occurrence of a Tax Event, has received or will receive less than the aggregate amount of principal and interest that would otherwise have been payable to such Class on the Distribution Date related to the Due Period with respect to which such Tax Event occurs.

**“Affiliate” or “Affiliated”**: With respect to a person,

(a) any other person who, directly or indirectly, is in control of, or controlled by, or is under common control with, the person, or

(b) any other person who is a director, officer, or employee (i) of the person, (ii) of any subsidiary or parent company of the person or (iii) of any person described in clause (a) above.

For the purposes of this definition, control of a person shall mean the power, direct or indirect,

(i) to vote more than 50% of the securities having ordinary voting power for the election of directors of the person, or

(ii) to direct the corporate management and corporate policies of the person whether by contract or otherwise (this does not include the Servicing Agreement unless it is amended expressly to provide those services).

For the purpose of this definition, the Administrator and its Affiliates are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Co-Issuers and the Co-Issuers are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Administrator, or any of their Affiliates.

**“Agent Members”**: Members of, or participants in, a Depository.

**“Aggregate Outstanding Amount”**: When used with respect to (i) any of the Notes (other than the Class A-1B Notes) as of any date, the aggregate principal amount of such Notes on that date; (ii) the Class A-1B Notes as of any date, (a) prior to the first Payment Date, the Fully Drawn Amount and (b) from and after the first Payment Date, the aggregate principal amount of the Class A-1B Notes on that date; and (iii) the Preference Shares as of any date, the number of such Preference Shares Outstanding on such date.

Except as otherwise provided herein:

(a) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all of the Class A Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(b) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes at any time shall include all Class B Deferred Interest attributed thereto;

(c) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes at any time shall include all Class C Deferred Interest attributed thereto; and

(d) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes at any time shall include all Class D Deferred Interest attributed thereto.

**“Aggregate Principal Balance”**: When used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Principal Balances of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Principal Balance means the sum of the Principal Balances of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**“Aggregate Purchase Price Amount”**: When used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Purchase Price Amount means the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**“Aggregate Undrawn Amount”**: At any time, with respect to the Class A-1B Notes, the aggregate Undrawn Amounts of all Class A-1B Notes.

**“Allocable Principal Balance”**: With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, the portion of the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security that is allocable to each Reference Obligation comprising such index or indices based upon allocating the Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security among such Reference Obligations in the same proportion as each Reference Obligation bears to the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security.

**“Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association”**: The memorandum and articles of association of the Issuer, as amended and restated from time to time.

**“Amendment Buy-Out”**: The meaning specified in Section 9.6(a).

**“Amendment Buy-Out Option”**: The meaning specified in Section 9.6(a).

**“Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price”**: The purchase price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Transaction Securities purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out, if any, in an amount equal to (a) in the case of (i) the Notes (other than the Class A-1B Notes), the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof and (ii) the Class A-1B Notes, the aggregate principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the date of purchase payable to the Non-Consenting Holder (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), plus any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment, plus in the case of the Class A-1B Notes, any accrued and unpaid Delayed Drawdown Fee, plus in the case of any Notes held or, with respect to any Notes representing Global Notes, beneficially owned, by a CDS/TRS Purchaser, the applicable CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount, if any, and (b) in the case of the Preference Shares and the Holding Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, since the Closing Date (and any amounts payable, if any, to the Non-Consenting Holder or the Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder, as

applicable, on the next succeeding Payment Date) would cause such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, of 12% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); provided, however, that in any Amendment Buy-Out from and after the date on which the Non-Consenting Holders or the Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, equal to or in excess of 12%, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price for such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, shall be zero.

**“Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser”**: The Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); provided that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Transaction Securities from Holders pursuant to Section 9.6, “Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser” shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Placement Agent, the Investors Corp. Placement Agent or any of their respective Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; provided, however, none of the Servicer, the Placement Agent, the Investors Corp. Placement Agent or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

**“Applicable Discount Rate”**: For purposes of determining the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount with respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser in connection with an Amendment Buy-Out, USD-LIBOR-BBA, as defined in the Annex to the 2000 ISDA Definitions as determined by the applicable CDS/TRS Purchaser on the Business Day preceding the date of purchase of the applicable Notes from such CDS/TRS Purchaser in connection with such Amendment Buy-Out, as the case may be.

**“Applicable Issuers” or “Applicable Issuer”**: With respect to the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes, each of the Co-Issuers. With respect to the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares, the Issuer only.

**“Applicable Note Interest Rate”**: With respect to the Notes of any Class, the Note Interest Rate with respect to such Class.

**“Applicable Percentage”**: The lesser of the Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate and the S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation as specified below.

If a Collateral Obligation has been specifically assigned a recovery rate by Moody’s in connection with the assignment by Moody’s of a credit estimate, the Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate of such Collateral Obligation shall be such assigned recovery rate.

<b>Moody’s Priority Category</b>	<b>Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Synthetic Securities.....	In the case of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the “Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate” given by Moody’s to the Form-Approved Synthetic Security at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security by Moody’s, and</li> <li>(b) any other Synthetic Security, the “Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate” given by Moody’s to the Synthetic Security at the time of acquisition of the Synthetic Security.</li> </ul>
Structured Finance Obligations.....	The Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the Moody’s Structured Finance Obligation



<b>Moody's Priority Category</b>	<b>Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
	Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 5</u> by reference to the type of asset and its then Moody's Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that schedule does not apply, on a case-by-case basis in connection with the Grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
unsecured DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligations not covered above or below .....	As determined by Moody's on a case-by-case basis.

For High-Yield Bonds, Moody's Senior Secured Loans and Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is the rate determined pursuant to the table below based on the number of rating subcategories difference between the High-Yield Bond's or Loan's Moody's Obligation Rating and its Moody's Default Probability Rating based on the then current Moody's Rating (for purposes of clarification, if the Moody's Obligation Rating is higher than the Moody's Default Probability Rating, the rating subcategories difference will be positive and if it is lower, negative):

<b>Number of Moody's Rating Subcategories Difference Between the Moody's Obligation Rating and the Moody's Default Probability Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>High-Yield Bonds</b>
+2 or more	60.0%	45.0%	40.0%
+1	50.0%	42.5%	35.0%
0	45.0%	40.0%	30.0%
-1	40.0%	30.0%	15.0%
-2	30.0%	15.0%	10.0%
-3 or less	20.0%	10.0%	2.0%

If the Loan is a secured DIP Loan, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is 50.0%.

<b>S&amp;P Priority Category</b>	<b>S&amp;P Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Senior Secured Loans other than Subordinated Lien Loans or DIP Loans.....	55.0%
Senior Unsecured Loans .....	37.5%
Second Lien Loans.....	37.5%
Subordinated Lien Loans other than a DIP Loan .....	21.5%
Senior Secured High-Yield Bonds	44.0%
Senior Unsecured High-Yield Bonds .....	30.0%
Subordinated High-Yield Bonds...	18.0%
Structured Finance Obligations.....	The S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the S&P Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 6</u> by reference to the type of asset and its then S&P

<b>S&amp;P Priority Category</b>	<b>S&amp;P Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
	Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that table does not apply, on a case by case basis in connection with the Grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
Synthetic Securities.....	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis in connection with the Grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation.
DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligation not covered above .....	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis.

***“Applicable Procedures”***: The meaning set forth in Section 2.6(f)(ii).

***“Approved Credit Support Document”***: A security agreement in the form of the 1994 ISDA Credit Support Annex (ISDA Agreements Subject to New York Law Only), as modified by the Paragraph 13 thereto.

***“Approved Pricing Service”***: Loan Pricing Corporation, Mark-It-Partners, Inc. or any other nationally recognized loan pricing service approved in writing by S&P.

***“Approved Replacement”***: An individual who shall (x) be proposed by the Servicer to replace James Dondero, Mark Okada or Todd Travers (or a prior Approved Replacement therefor) within 30 days after James Dondero, Mark Okada or Todd Travers (or a prior Approved Replacement therefor) fails to be a partner, director, officer or management-level employee of Highland Capital or, following any objection pursuant to the following clause (y) to the first proposed replacement, within 30 days after such objection and (y) not have been objected to by either (A) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or (B) a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by the Servicer or any of its Affiliates), within 30 days after written notice of such Approved Replacement has been given by the Servicer to the Controlling Class of Notes and the Holders of Preference Shares.

***“Ask-Side Market Value”***: As of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any lent Collateral Obligation based upon the Servicer’s commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (a) the average of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (b) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the higher of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (c) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the ask-side prices for the purchase of such Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer); provided that if the Ask-Side Market Value of any lent Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the outstanding principal balance thereof.

***“Assigned Moody’s Rating”***: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

***“Authenticating Agent”***: With respect to the Notes, the Trustee or the person designated by the Trustee to authenticate the Notes on behalf of the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.15.

***“Authorized Officer”***: With respect to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp., any Officer or agent who is authorized to act for the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp., as applicable, in matters relating to, and binding on, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp. With respect to the Servicer, any

managing member, Officer, manager, employee, partner or agent of the Servicer who is authorized to act for the Servicer in matters relating to, and binding on, the Servicer with respect to the subject matter of the request, certificate, or order in question. With respect to the Trustee or any other bank or trust company acting as trustee of an express trust or as custodian, a Trust Officer. Each party may receive and accept a certification of the authority of any other party as conclusive evidence of the authority of any person to act, and the certification may be considered as in full force and effect until receipt by the other party of written notice to the contrary.

**“Average Life”**: As of any Measurement Date with respect to any Collateral Obligation (other than any Defaulted Collateral Obligation), the quotient obtained by dividing:

- (a) the sum of the products of:
  - (i) the number of years (rounded to the nearest hundredth) from the Measurement Date to the respective dates of each successive scheduled payment of principal of the Collateral Obligation, and
  - (ii) the respective amounts of the successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation, *by*
- (b) the sum of all successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Bank”**: Investors Bank & Trust Company, in its individual capacity and not as Trustee.

**“Bankruptcy Code”**: The U.S. Bankruptcy Code, Title 11 of the United States Code, as amended.

**“Bankruptcy Law”**: The Bankruptcy Code, Part V of the Companies Law (2004 Revision) of the Cayman Islands and the Bankruptcy Law (1997 Revision) of the Cayman Islands.

**“Beneficial Owner”**: Any person owning an interest in a Global Note as reflected on the books of the Depository or on the books of an Agent Member or on the books of an indirect participant for which an Agent Member acts as agent.

**“Benefit Plan Investor”**: Any (a) “employee benefit plan” subject to Part 4 of Title I of ERISA, (b) any “plan” to which Section 4975 of the Code applies, or an entity whose underlying assets include the assets of any plan described in clauses (a) or (b) by reason of such plan’s investment in such entity.

**“Board Resolution”**: With respect to the Issuer, a resolution of the board of directors of the Issuer and, with respect to the Co-Issuer, a resolution of the board of directors of the Co-Issuer.

**“Business Day”**: A day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in New York City and any other city in which the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee is located and, in the case of the final payment of principal of any Note, the place of presentation of the Note designated by the Trustee; provided, however, that, for purposes of determining LIBOR, “Business Day” must also be a day on which dealings in deposits in Dollars are transacted in the London interbank market. To the extent action is required of the Irish Paying Agent, Dublin, Ireland shall be considered in determining “Business Day” for purposes of determining when actions by the Irish Paying Agent are required.

**“Calculation Agent”**: The meaning specified in Section 7.16.

**“Caa1 Collateral Obligations”**: The Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have a Moody’s Rating below “B3”.

**“Cash”**: Such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for payment of all public and private debts.

**“CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations”**: The Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have (a) a Moody’s Rating below “B3” and/or (b) an S&P Rating below “B-”.

**“CCC+/Caa1 Excess Market Value Percentage”**: The percentage equivalent of a fraction, the numerator of which is the aggregate Market Value of CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations (in order of ascending Market Value Percentage, starting with the CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation with the lowest Market Value Percentage) with an aggregate Principal Balance equal to Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations and the denominator of which is an amount equal to the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations.

**“CDS/TRS Purchaser”**: A Holder of the Notes or, in the case of Notes represented by Global Notes, any beneficial owner thereof that has entered into either a credit default swap or a total return swap with respect to such Notes.

**“CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount”**: With respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser in connection with an Amendment Buy-Out, as the case may be, (i) on any Payment Date prior to the Payment Date occurring in November, 2010, an amount equal to the present value of the Fixed Amounts with respect to such CDS/TRS Purchaser and each Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period until the last Fixed Rate Calculation Period, discounting each Fixed Amount from the Payment Date following the end of each such Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period to the date of purchase of the applicable Notes at the Applicable Discount Rate, and (ii) on any Payment Date on and after the Payment Date occurring in November, 2010, zero; provided that, in the case of clause (i), the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount shall be calculated by the Servicer and subject to the approval of such CDS/TRS Purchaser.

**“Certificate of Authentication”**: The meaning specified in Section 2.1.

**“Certificated Class A-1B Notes”**: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(f).

**“Certificated Class D Note”**: The meaning set forth in Section 2.2(e).

**“Certificated Preference Share”**: The meaning set forth in the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

**“Certificated Security (UCC)”**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(4) of the UCC.

**“Class”**: All of the Notes having the same priority and the same Stated Maturity and all of the Preference Shares; provided, however, unless otherwise expressly provided for herein, the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-2 Notes shall be considered the same Class.

**“Class A Coverage Tests”**: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class A Notes.

**“Class A Notes”**: Collectively, the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-2 Notes.

**“Class A-1A Notes”**: The Class A-1A Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**“Class A-1B Funding Account”**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(l).

**“Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement”**: The Note Purchase Agreement dated as of the Closing Date, entered into among the Issuer, the Co Issuer, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Trustee and the Holders of the Class A-1B Notes, as from time to time amended, modified or supplemented.

**“Class A-1B Notes”**: The Class A-1B Delayed Draw Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**“Class A-2 Notes”**: The Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**“Class B Coverage Tests”**: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class B Notes.

**“Class B Deferred Interest”**: Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes.

**“Class B Notes”**: The Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**“Class C Coverage Tests”**: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class C Notes.

**“Class C Deferred Interest”**: Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C Notes.

**“Class C Notes”**: The Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**“Class D Coverage Tests”**: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class D Notes.

**“Class D Deferred Interest”**: Deferred Interest with respect to the Class D Notes.

**“Class D Notes”**: The Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**“Class I Preference Shares”**: The Class I Preference Shares issued by the Issuer pursuant to the Issuer’s Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association and the resolutions of the Issuer’s board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

**“Class II Preference Share Percentage”**: For any Payment Date, a fraction, expressed as a percentage, the numerator of which is the number of Outstanding Class II Preference Shares on such Payment Date and the denominator of which is the total number of Outstanding Preference Shares on such Payment Date.

**“Class II Preference Share Portion”**: For any Payment Date, 100% minus the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date.

***“Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment”***: For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Senior Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

***“Class II Preference Share Special Payment”***: Collectively, the Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment, the Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment and the Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment.

***“Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account”***: The segregated bank account established by the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement for the benefit of the Issuer.

***“Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment”***: For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Subordinated Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

***“Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment”***: For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

***“Class II Preference Shares”***: The Class II Preference Shares issued by the Issuer pursuant to the Issuer’s Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association and the resolutions of the Issuer’s board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

***“Class Scenario Loss Rate”***: With respect to any Class of Notes rated by S&P, an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, consistent with S&P’s rating of the Class of Notes on the Closing Date, determined by application of the S&P CDO Monitor.

***“Clearing Agency”***: An organization registered as a “clearing agency” pursuant to Section 17A of the Exchange Act.

***“Clearing Corporation”***: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(5) of the UCC.

***“Clearing Corporation Security”***: A “security” (as defined in Section 8-102(a)(15) of the UCC) that (a) is a debt or equity security and (b) is in the custody of or maintained on the books of a Clearing Corporation or its nominee.

***“Clearstream”***: Clearstream Banking, société anonyme, a corporation organized under the laws of the Duchy of Luxembourg.

***“Closing Date”***: December 21, 2006.

***“Closing Date Expense Account”***: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(g).

***“Co-Issuer”***: The person named as such on the first page of this Indenture.

***“Co-Issuers”***: The Issuer and the Co-Issuer.

***“Code”***: The United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

**“Collateral”**: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**“Collateral Administration Agreement”**: The agreement dated as of the Closing Date among the Issuer, the Servicer, and the Collateral Administrator, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**“Collateral Administrator”**: Investors Bank & Trust Company, in its capacity as collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement.

**“Collateral Assignment of Hedge Agreements”**: With respect to each Hedge Agreement, the assignment of all of the Issuer’s interest in the Hedge Agreement to the Trustee and acknowledged by the Hedge Counterparty to create a security interest therein in favor of the Trustee.

**“Collateral Obligation”**: Any obligation or security that, when the Issuer commits to purchase (or otherwise acquire) the obligation or security, is a Loan, High-Yield Bond, Structured Finance Obligation, or Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that is a Loan, a Structured Finance Obligation or High-Yield Bond that is:

- (a) denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars and is not convertible by its obligor into any other currency;
- (b) an obligation of an obligor Domiciled in an Eligible Country;
- (c) an obligation that is eligible by its terms to be assigned to the Issuer and pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral;
- (d) not an exchangeable or convertible security;
- (e) not an equity security or a component of an equity security or a security that has a component that is an equity security (other than for avoidance of doubt, a pass-through trust certificate in a trust holding Collateral Obligations);
- (f) not an obligation or security that has been called for redemption and is not an obligation or security that is the subject of an Offer other than a Permitted Offer or an exchange offer in which a security that is not registered under the Securities Act is exchanged for (i) a security that has substantially identical terms (except for transfer restrictions) but is registered under the Securities Act or (ii) a security that would otherwise qualify for purchase under Article 12;
- (g) an obligation that (i) has a Moody’s Rating (including any estimated or confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored) and (ii) has an S&P Rating (including any confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored), which S&P Rating does not have a “p”, “pi”, “q”, “r” or “t” subscript;
- (h) an obligation that is a Finance Lease (if it is a lease) and is rated by Moody’s and S&P;
- (i) (i) an obligation that is not a Current-Pay Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation and (ii) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that has a Moody’s Rating of “Caa1” or lower or an S&P Rating of “CCC+” or lower, an obligation for which the Servicer has certified in writing that such Collateral Obligation is not a Credit Risk Obligation;

(j) an obligation that (unless it is a High-Yield Bond) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness for borrowed money of the applicable issuer; provided that for the avoidance of doubt, this clause shall not prohibit the inclusion as Collateral Obligations of Subordinated Lien Loans or Second Lien Loans;

(k) an obligation that (i) (unless it is a PIK Security) bears simple interest payable in cash no less frequently than annually at a fixed or floating rate that is paid on a periodic basis on an unleveraged basis and, in the case of a floating rate, computed on a benchmark interest rate plus or minus a spread, if any (which may vary under the terms of the obligation) and (ii) provides for a fixed amount of principal payable in cash according to a fixed schedule (which may include optional call dates) or at maturity (or a fixed notional amount in the case of Synthetic Securities);

(l) an obligation the payment or repayment of the principal, if any, of which is not an amount determined by reference to any formula or index or subject to any contingency under the terms thereof;

(m) an obligation the portion of which to be acquired (including through a Synthetic Security with respect to the Reference Obligation) does not represent, directly or indirectly, more than a 25% interest in the obligation;

(n) not an obligation with a maturity later than two years after the Stated Maturity of the Notes;

(o) an obligation upon which no payments are subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the obligor thereof or counterparty with respect thereto is required to make “gross-up” payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax on an after-tax basis (other than withholding taxes with respect to commitment fees associated with Collateral Obligations constituting Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans);

(p) not a Loan or Synthetic Security that would require the Issuer after its purchase of the Loan or Synthetic Security to advance any funds to the related borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty or permit the borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty to require that any future advances be made except for:

(i) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the Issuer deposits into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, respectively, the maximum amount of any advances that may be required of the Issuer under the related Underlying Instrument (as provided in Section 10.3(b)), and

(ii) any Synthetic Security if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Synthetic Security, the Issuer posts cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) the Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer’s purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of any future advances;

(q) if such obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation, such obligation:

(i) has been assigned a rating by both Moody’s and S&P;



(ii) has a Moody's Rating of "Ba3" or higher and an S&P Rating of "BB-" or higher; and

(iii) has not been placed on the watch list for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P;

(r) not a Loan that is an obligation of a debtor in possession or a trustee for a debtor in an insolvency proceeding other than a DIP Loan;

(s) with respect to an obligation that provides for the payment of interest at a floating rate, an obligation for which such floating rate is determined by reference to the U.S. Dollar prime rate or other base rate, London interbank offered rate or similar interbank offered rate, commercial deposit rate or any other index that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto;

(t) in the case of a Synthetic Security, the Synthetic Security is one for which the counterparty or issuer, as the case may be, has a short-term debt rating by Moody's of at least "P-1" or long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "Aa3" and, if rated "Aa3" by Moody's, such rating is not on watch for downgrade, and a short term debt rating by S&P of at least "A-1+" or, if such counterparty or issuer, as the case may be, does not have a short term debt rating by S&P, a long term debt rating by S&P of at least "AA-";

(u) not an obligation that constitutes Margin Stock;

(v) not a Zero-Coupon Security;

(w) not an obligation that is currently deferring interest or paying interest "in kind" or otherwise has an interest "in kind" balance outstanding at the time of purchase, which interest is otherwise payable in cash, unless the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;

(x) not a security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer;

(y) not an obligation the interest payments of which are scheduled to decrease (although interest payments may decrease due to unscheduled events such as a decrease if the index relating to a Floating Rate Obligation, the change from a default rate of interest to a non-default rate of interest or an improvement in the obligor's financial condition); and

(z) an "eligible asset" as defined under Rule 3a-7 and not an obligation that will (A) cause the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the pool of assets to be required to be registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act or (B) cause the Issuer to be engaged in a U.S. trade or business for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

Pursuant to the definition of "Synthetic Security," unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event."

**“Collateral Quality Tests”**: The Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Life Test, the Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the S&P CDO Monitor Test.

**“Collection Account”**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.2(a).

**“Commitment Amount”**: With respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the maximum aggregate outstanding principal amount (whether then funded or unfunded) of advances or other extensions of credit that the Issuer could be required to make to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments.

**“Commitment Reduction”**: With respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, a permanent reduction (whether scheduled, mandatory, optional, or otherwise) in the related Commitment Amount.

**“Concentration Limitations”**: The limit set forth below with respect to a particular type of Relevant Obligation (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) as a percentage of the Maximum Amount:

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(1) Senior Secured Loans and Eligible Investments	≥ 87.5%
(2) unsecured Loans	≤ 3.0%
(3) Subordinated Lien Loans and Second Lien Loans	≤ 12.5%
(4) Middle Market Loans	≤ 50.0%
(5) Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans	≤ 12.0%
(6) DIP Loans	≤ 7.5%
(a) except that DIP Loans of any individual obligor may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 2.0%
(7) S&P Unrated DIP Loans	≤ 2.5%
(8) Servicer Originated Loans	≤ 25.0%
(a) except that Servicer Originated Loans made to obligors Domiciled or having, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, their principal place of business in the state of Texas may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 15.0%
(9) PIK Securities	≤ 3.0%
(10) High-Yield Bonds	≤ 5.0%
(11) Structured Finance Obligations	≤ 10.0%
(a) except that Structured Finance Obligations serviced by the Servicer may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 2.5%
(b) except that a single issuer together with any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) of a Structured Finance Obligation may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 3.0%

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(12) Structured Finance Obligations that are collateralized loan obligations	≤ 7.5%
(13) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States and Canada	≤ 15.0%
(14) obligors Domiciled in Canada or any single Moody's Group I Country	≤ 10.0%
(15) obligors Domiciled in Moody's Group II Countries	≤ 10.0%
(a) except that obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group II Country may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 5.0%
(16) obligors Domiciled in Moody's Group III Countries	≤ 7.5%
(a) except that obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group III Country may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 2.5%
(17) obligors organized in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction	≤ 5.0%
(18) same S&P Industry Classification	≤ 8.0%
(a) except that Relevant Obligations belonging to two S&P Industry Classifications may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 12.0%
(19) single obligor and any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) of any Middle Market Loan	≤ 2.0%
(a) except that up to each of five such obligors and any of their Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 3.0%
(20) single issuer and any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) of a Collateral Obligation other than a Middle Market Loan	≤ 1.5%
(a) except that up to each of five individual obligor and any of their Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 2.0%
(21) Fixed Rate Obligations	≤ 5.0%
(22) Pay interest less frequently than quarterly but no less frequently than semi-annually	≤ 7.5%
(23) Pay interest less frequently than semi-annually but no less frequently than annually	≤ 3.0%
(24) Synthetic Securities	≤ 20.0%
(a) except that Synthetic Securities that provide for settlement other than by physical delivery may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 5.0%
(b) except that Synthetic Securities that reference a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 5.0%

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(25) Participations ( <u>provided</u> that no Relevant Obligations may be a Participation in a Participation)	≤ 20.0%
(26) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, in the aggregate may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 20.0%
(27) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, a single Secondary Risk Counterparty	≤ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under “Individual Counterparty Limit” for applicable rating*
(28) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, all Secondary Risk Counterparties	≤ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under “Aggregate Counterparty Limit” for applicable rating**
(29) Deep Discount Obligations	≤ 10.0%
(30) CCC+/Caa1 and below Collateral Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(31) Long-Dated Collateral Obligations	≤ 2.0%
(32) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements	≤ 15.0%
(33) Collateral Obligations providing for interest at a non-London interbank offered rate (excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, the unfunded amount of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan); <u>provided</u> that the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to the use of the index for such non-London interbank offered rate	≤ 5.0%
* Applicable long-term unsecured rating by Moody’s or S&P of such Secondary Risk Counterparty (using the limit for the lower of such ratings if different).	
** Long-term unsecured rating by Moody’s or S&P at or below a level specified in the Secondary Risk Table (using the lower of such ratings for a Secondary Risk Counterparty, if different).	

Subject to the rights in certain circumstances of the Servicer to determine otherwise as set out in Section 1.2(h), solely for the purpose of determining whether the Concentration Limitations are met, Eligible Investments and Cash will be treated as Senior Secured Loans and Floating Rate Obligations.

**“Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares”:** With respect to any Payment Date, a Holder of Preference Shares that has consented by delivering an irrevocable written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent to a distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds on such Payment Date.

**“Consenting Purchaser”:** The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

**“Controlling Class”**: The Class A Notes (voting together as a single Class or group), so long as any Class A Notes are Outstanding; then the Class B Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class B Notes are Outstanding; then the Class C Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class C Notes are Outstanding; and then the Class D Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class D Notes are Outstanding.

**“Controlling Person”**: The meaning specified in Section 6.6.

**“Corporate Trust Office”**: The corporate trust office of the Trustee at which the Trustee performs its duties under this Indenture, currently having an address of 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code EUC 108, Boston, Massachusetts 02116, telecopy no. (617) 937-5585, Attention: CDO Services, Brentwood CLO Ltd. or any other address the Trustee designates from time to time by notice to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Issuer, and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Trustee.

**“Coverage Tests”**: Collectively, the Class A Coverage Tests, the Class B Coverage Tests, the Class C Coverage Tests and the Class D Coverage Tests applicable as of any Measurement Date.

**“Credit Improved Obligation”**: Any Collateral Obligation that (a) is sold pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange or (b) in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has improved in credit quality; provided that, in forming such judgment, a reduction in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment; and provided, further, that, if a Credit Rating Event is in effect, such Collateral Obligation will be considered a Credit Improved Obligation only if in addition to the above:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been upgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing positive credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under this Indenture,

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced a reduction in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Servicer (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody’s),

(iii) (A) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has increased by at least 1.00% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Servicer (provided that this subclause (iii)(A) will be deemed satisfied if Market Value increases to 101%), or (B) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more positive than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, plus 3.00%, over the same period, or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation, and for each subsequent

downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Improved Obligation if:

- (i) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Improved Obligation or
- (ii) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Improved Obligation.

**“Credit Rating Event”**: An event that is in effect if the rating by Moody's:

- (a) of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes or the Class A-2 Notes has been withdrawn or is one or more rating sub-categories below its Initial Rating; or
- (b) of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes has been withdrawn or is two or more rating sub-categories below its respective Initial Rating.

For the purposes of this definition, any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not be effective if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody's has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Class A Notes, or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**“Credit Risk Obligation”**: Any Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has significantly declined in credit quality and has a significant risk, with a lapse of time, of becoming a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; provided that in forming such judgment, an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (b) or (c) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment.

(a) So long as a Credit Rating Event is in effect, no Collateral Obligation shall be eligible to be a Credit Risk Obligation unless in addition to the above, as of the date of determination:

(b) the Collateral Obligation has been downgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing negative credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under this Indenture,

(c) such Collateral Obligation has experienced an increase in credit spread of (i) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) less than or equal to 2.00%, (ii) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (iii) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Servicer (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's),

(d) (i) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has decreased by at least 2.50% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as

determined by the Servicer, and (ii) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more negative, or less positive, as the case may be, than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, less 3.00%, over the same period, or

(e) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation set forth in clauses (a), (b) and (c) above, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (e) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation for this clause (e) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Risk Obligation if:

- (i) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Risk Obligation, or
- (ii) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Risk Obligation.

***"Current-Pay Obligation"***: A Collateral Obligation as to which:

(a) an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to its obligor or as to which its obligor is rated "D" or "SD" by S&P or its obligor has previously been rated "CCC-" by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn,

(b) no default as to the payment of principal or interest with respect to the Collateral Obligation is then continuing and the Servicer has delivered to the Trustee an officer's certificate to the effect that the Servicer expects that the obligor will make payments on the Collateral Obligation as they become due,

(c) (i) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is at least "Caa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) and the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 80% of its Principal Balance or (ii) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is at least "Caa2" and not on credit watch with negative implications, and the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 85% of its Principal Balance,

(d) if an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to the obligor of the Collateral Obligation, a bankruptcy court has authorized the payment of interest payable on the Collateral Obligation, and

(e) the Servicer has designated in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligation as a Current-Pay Obligation.

If the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations exceeds 5% of the Maximum Amount, all or a portion of one or more Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance equal to the amount of the excess shall not be Current-Pay Obligations (and will therefore be Defaulted Collateral Obligations). The Servicer shall designate in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligations that shall not be Current-Pay Obligations pursuant to the preceding sentence as the Collateral Obligations (or portions thereof) that have the lowest Market Value on any applicable date of determination.

The Servicer may, with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, by notice to the Issuer, the Trustee, and the Collateral Administrator, change the definition of “Current-Pay Obligation” or how Current-Pay Obligations are treated in this Indenture, subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency.

“**Current Portfolio**”: At any time, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations, Principal Proceeds held as Cash on deposit in the Collection Account, and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account that exists before the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or before the acquisition of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

“**Custodial Account**”: The custodial account established in the name of the Trustee pursuant to Section 10.3(a).

“**Custodian**”: The meaning specified in the first sentence of Section 3.2(a) with respect to items of collateral referred to therein, and each entity with which an Account is maintained, as the context may require, each of which shall be a Securities Intermediary.

“**Deep Discount Obligation**”: Until the average Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation, as determined daily for any period of 30 consecutive days, equals or exceeds 90%, any Collateral Obligation acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 85% of its Principal Balance. For such purpose, the Market Value Percentage of a Collateral Obligation on a day that is not a Business Day shall be deemed to be the Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation on the immediately preceding Business Day.

“**Default**”: Any Event of Default or any occurrence that, with notice or the lapse of time or both, would become an Event of Default.

“**Defaulted Collateral Obligation**”: Any Collateral Obligation or other obligation included in the Collateral:

(a) as to which there has occurred and is continuing a default with respect to the payment of interest or principal with respect to such Collateral Obligation, without giving effect to any applicable grace period or waiver (provided that if the Servicer certifies to the Trustee in writing that such default is for non-credit related reasons, the related Collateral Obligation shall not be treated as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under this clause (a) unless and until such default has continued for a period of three (3) consecutive business days), but, in any case, only until such default has been cured;

(b) the maturity of all or a portion of the principal amount of such Collateral Obligation has been accelerated as a consequence of a default (other than any payment default) under the instruments evidencing or relating to such Collateral Obligation; unless such default or event of default has been fully cured or waived and is no longer continuing and such acceleration has been rescinded;

(c) with respect to which there has been effected any distressed exchange or other debt restructuring where the obligor has offered the holders thereof a new security or instrument or package of securities or instruments that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, either (i) amounts to a diminished financial obligation or (ii) has the sole purpose of enabling the obligor to avoid a default;

(d) (i) that is *pari passu* with or subordinated to other indebtedness for borrowed money owing by its obligor (“**Other Indebtedness**”), (ii) the obligor has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (without regard to any applicable grace or notice period and without regard to any waiver of the



default) on the Other Indebtedness, unless, in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid on the Other Indebtedness and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation and (iii) the Servicer; provided that the related Collateral Obligation has not been downgraded after the default on such Other Indebtedness has occurred, determines (in its commercially reasonable judgment) that such Other Indebtedness is material;

(e) (other than a Current-Pay Obligation or a DIP Loan) as to which:

(i) an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to its obligor, or

(ii) the obligation is rated “D”, “SD”, “C” or “CC” by S&P or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn, or has previously been rated “CCC-” or lower by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;

(f) if the Collateral Obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation, it is rated “CC” or below by S&P, or it was rated “CC” or below by S&P but the rating has since been withdrawn, or it is rated “Ca” or below by Moody’s, or it was rated “C” or below by Moody’s but the rating has since been withdrawn;

(g) that is a Participation that would, if the underlying Loan were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (a) through (e) above or with respect to which the Participating Institution has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Participation;

(h) that is a Synthetic Security referencing a Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (a) through (f) above or with respect to which the Synthetic Security Counterparty has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Synthetic Security; provided, however, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time: (i) a determination whether the Reference Obligations upon which such Synthetic Security is based would, if such Reference Obligations were Collateral Obligations, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each of the Reference Obligations on which such Synthetic Security is based in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation and (ii) the “Defaulted Collateral Obligation” for purposes of this clause (h) shall be limited to the Allocable Principal Balance of each Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (a) through (f) above;

(i) that is a Written-Down Obligation;

(j) that is a DIP Loan as to which an order has been entered converting the debtor’s Chapter 11 case to a case under Chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code; or

(k) that is declared to be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation by the Servicer.

Any Collateral Obligation that is classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall cease to be so classified if the Collateral Obligation, at any date thereafter,

(i) would not otherwise be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this definition; and

(ii) otherwise meets the Eligibility Criteria as of that date.

If any portion of a Collateral Obligation has a maturity later than one year after the Stated Maturity of the Notes due to a change in the payment schedule of the Collateral Obligation occurring after its acquisition by the Issuer, that portion of the Collateral Obligation shall be considered a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**“Defaulted Hedge Termination Payment”**: Any termination payment required to be made by the Issuer to a Hedge Counterparty pursuant to a Hedge Agreement upon a termination of the Hedge Agreement in respect of which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**“Defaulted Interest”**: Any interest (and in the case of the Class A-1B Notes, the Delayed Drawdown Fee, but excluding any Deferred Interest) payable in respect of any Class of Notes that is not punctually paid or duly provided for on the applicable Payment Date or at Stated Maturity.

**“Defaulted Interest Charge”**: To the extent lawful, interest on any Defaulted Interest at the Default Interest Rate.

**“Default Interest Rate”**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate equal to the Note Interest Rate payable on the Notes of the Class.

**“Deferred Interest”**: With respect to any specified Class of Deferred Interest Notes, the meaning specified in Section 2.8(a).

**“Deferred Interest Notes”**: The Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**“Deficiency Amount”**: The meaning specified in Section 16.3(a).

**“Deficiency Notice Date”**: The meaning specified in Section 16.3(a).

**“Definitive Notes”**: The meaning specified in Section 2.11(b).

**“Delayed Drawdown Fee”**: With respect to the Class A-1B Notes and (i) the first Payment Date, the Delayed Drawdown Fee Rate multiplied by the Aggregate Undrawn Amount of the Class A-1B Notes for each day during the Delayed Drawdown Period (except that no Delayed Drawdown Fee shall be paid with respect to the Aggregate Undrawn Amount attributable to a Holder that has breached its obligation to fund a request for a Drawdown from the date of such breach to and until the date such breach has been cured) and (ii) any Payment Date thereafter, any Delayed Drawdown Fee not paid in full on the first Payment Date plus interest accrued thereon for the Interest Period for such Payment Date at the Note Interest Rate of the Class A-1B Notes.

**“Delayed Drawdown Fee Rate”**: A rate per annum equal to 0.17%.

**“Delayed Drawdown Loan”**: A Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that

(a) requires the Issuer to make one or more future advances to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments,

(b) specifies a maximum amount that can be borrowed on one or more fixed borrowing dates, and

(c) does not permit the re-borrowing of any amount previously repaid.

A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Delayed Drawdown Loan for so long as its unused commitment amount is greater than zero and for the purposes of the Concentration Limits only, unfunded portions will count as Delayed Drawdown Loans.

***“Delayed Drawdown Note Agent”***: The meaning specified in the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement.

***“Delayed Drawdown Note Agent Expenses”***: Amounts due to the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent and payable in arrears to the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent pursuant to the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement (other than the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent Fee); provided that the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent Expenses will be payable on any Payment Date only to the extent that funds are available for such purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

***“Delayed Drawdown Note Agent Fee”***: Only during the Delayed Drawdown Period, the quarterly fee accrued and payable to the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent on each Payment Date pursuant to the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement; provided that the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent Fee will be payable on each Payment Date only to the extent that funds are available for such purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

***“Delayed Drawdown Period”***: The period commencing on and including the Closing Date and ending on the earlier to occur of (a) the date on which the Fully Drawn Amount of Class A-1B Notes is fully drawn and (b) March 21, 2007.

***“Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account”***: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(b).

***“Deliver”*** or ***“Delivered”*** or ***“Delivery”***: The taking of the following steps:

(a) in the case of each Certificated Security (UCC) (other than a Clearing Corporation Security) or Instrument,

(i) causing the delivery of such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument to the Custodian registered in the name of the Custodian or endorsed, by an effective endorsement, to the Custodian or in blank,

(ii) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument is credited to the applicable Account, and

(iii) causing the Custodian to maintain continuous possession of such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument;

(b) in the case of each Uncertificated Security (other than a Clearing Corporation Security),

(i) causing such Uncertificated Security to be continuously registered on the books of the issuer thereof to the Custodian, and

- (ii) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Uncertificated Security is credited to the applicable Account;
- (c) in the case of each Clearing Corporation Security,
  - (i) causing the relevant Clearing Corporation to credit such Clearing Corporation Security to the securities account of the Custodian, and
  - (ii) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate by on its books and records that such Clearing Corporation Security is credited to the applicable Account;
- (d) in the case of each security issued or guaranteed by the United States of America or agency or instrumentality thereof and that is maintained in book-entry records of a Federal Reserve Bank (“*FRB*”) (each such security, a “*Government Security*”),
  - (i) causing the creation of a Security Entitlement to such Government Security by the credit of such Government Security to the securities account of the Custodian at such FRB, and
  - (ii) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Government Security is credited to the applicable Account;
- (e) in the case of each Security Entitlement not governed by clauses (a) through (d) above,
  - (i) causing a Securities Intermediary (A) to indicate on its books and records that the underlying Financial Asset has been credited to be the Custodian’s securities account, (B) to receive a Financial Asset from a Securities Intermediary or acquiring the underlying Financial Asset for a Securities Intermediary, and in either case, accepting it for credit to the Custodian’s securities account or (C) to become obligated under other law, regulation or rule to credit the underlying Financial Asset to a Security Intermediary’s securities account,
  - (ii) causing such Securities Intermediary to make entries on its books and records continuously identifying such Security Entitlement as belonging to the Custodian and continuously indicating on its books and records that such Security Entitlement is credited to the Custodian’s securities account, and
  - (iii) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Security Entitlement (or all rights and property of the Custodian representing such Security Entitlement) is credited to the applicable Account;
- (f) in the case of cash or money,
  - (i) causing the delivery of such cash or money to the Custodian,
  - (ii) causing the Custodian to treat such cash or money as a Financial Asset maintained by such Custodian for credit to the applicable Account in accordance with the provisions of Article 8 of the UCC, and
  - (iii) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such cash or money is credited to the applicable Account; and

(g) in the case of each general intangible (including any Participation in which the Participation is not represented by an Instrument),

(i) causing the filing of a Financing Statement in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of the District of Columbia, Washington, DC, and

(ii) causing the registration of this Indenture in the Register of Mortgages of the Issuer at the Issuer's registered office in the Cayman Islands;

in addition, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will obtain any and all consents required by the underlying agreements relating to any such general intangibles for the transfer of ownership and/or pledge hereunder (except to the extent that the requirement for such consent is rendered ineffective under Section 9-406 of the UCC).

In addition to the methods specified above, any Collateral may be delivered in accordance with any other method specified in an Opinion of Counsel delivered to the Trustee as sufficient to establish a first priority perfected security (subject to customary exceptions and qualifications) interest therein.

**"Depository"** or **"DTC"**: The Depository Trust Company and its nominees.

**"Determination Date"**: The last day of any Due Period.

**"DIP Loan"**: Any Loan

(a) that has a rating assigned by Moody's and a rating assigned by S&P (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by S&P, the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P within two Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer);

(b) that is paying interest on a current basis;

(c) that is an obligation of a debtor in possession as described in Section 1107 of the Bankruptcy Code or a trustee (if appointment of a trustee has been ordered pursuant to Section 1104 of the Bankruptcy Code) (a **"Debtor"**) organized under the laws of the United States or any state of the United States; and

(d) the terms of which have been approved by a final order of the United States Bankruptcy Court, United States District Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, the enforceability of which order is not subject to any pending contested matter or proceeding (as those terms are defined in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure) and which order provides that

(i) the Loan is secured by liens on the Debtor's otherwise unencumbered assets pursuant to Section 364(c)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code,

(ii) the Loan is secured by liens of equal or senior priority on property of the Debtor's estate that is otherwise subject to a lien pursuant to Section 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code,

(iii) the Loan is fully secured (based on a current valuation or appraisal report) by junior liens on the Debtor's encumbered assets, or

(iv) if any portion of the Loan is unsecured, the repayment of the Loan retains priority over all other administrative expenses pursuant to Section 364(c)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code (and in the case of this clause (iv), before the acquisition of the Loan, the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency).

**“Discount Note”**: Any Note that is treated as being issued with “original issue discount” within the meaning of Section 1271 through 1275 of the Code and Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.

**“Distribution Compliance Period”**: The 40-day period prescribed by Regulation S commencing on the later of (a) the date upon which Notes are first offered to Persons other than the initial purchasers of such Notes and any other distributor (as such term is defined in Regulation S) of the Notes and (b) the Closing Date. The Trustee and Note Registrar shall be entitled to request and receive, and upon receipt to rely upon, a certificate from the Issuer as to occurrence of the date described in preceding clause (a).

**“Diversity Score”**: A single number that indicates collateral concentration in terms of both issuer and industry concentration, calculated as set forth in Schedule 4 to this Indenture. For the purposes of calculating the Diversity Score, any Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation will be disregarded.

**“Diversity Test”**: A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Diversity Score equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score.

**“Dollar” or “U.S. Dollar” or “U.S.\$”**: A dollar or other equivalent unit in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for all debts, public and private.

**“Domicile” or “Domiciled”**: With respect to each Collateral Obligation, (a) the jurisdiction of incorporation, organization or creation of the related obligor or (b) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that would otherwise be considered to be domiciled pursuant to clause (a) in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction, the jurisdiction in which, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the related obligor conducts substantially all of its business operations and in which the assets primarily responsible for generating its revenues are located.

**“Drawdown”**: The meaning specified in Section 2.14(a).

**“Drawdown Date”**: The meaning specified in Section 2.14(a).

**“Drawn Amount”**: At any time with respect to the Class A-1B Notes, the aggregate principal amount of the Class A-1B Notes funded on the Closing Date or by one or more Drawdowns after the Closing Date.

**“Due Date”**: Each date on which any payment is due on a Pledged Obligation in accordance with its terms.

**“Due Period”**: With respect to any Payment Date, for all purposes other than payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements, the period from the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date, from the Closing Date) up to but excluding the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the Payment Date (or in the case of the final Payment Date or any Payment Date that is a Redemption Date, through the Business Day before the Payment Date and for payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements the period from the day after the

previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date from the Closing Date through the Payment Date).

**“Eligibility Criteria”**: The meaning specified in Section 12.2(b).

**“Eligible Collateral”**: Means: (a) Cash, (b) U.S. Treasury obligations, (c) U.S. agency obligations or (d) commercial paper obligations rated at least “P-1” by Moody’s (and not on watch for downgrade) and “A-1+” by S&P, in each case to collateralize fully on a mark-to-market basis the obligations of a Hedge Counterparty under the related Hedge Agreement.

**“Eligible Country”**: The United States, Canada and any country classified by Moody’s as a Moody’s Group I Country, Moody’s Group II Country or Moody’s Group III Country and, in each case, has an S&P foreign currency rating of at least “AA” by S&P and is rated at least “Aa2” by Moody’s; provided that such country has not imposed currency exchange controls.

**“Eligible Equity Security”**: An equity security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation by, or on behalf of, the Issuer that (a) is publicly traded on an Established Securities Market or (b) the Market Value of which is higher than the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation with respect to which such equity security has been acquired by the Issuer.

**“Eligible Investments”**: Any Dollar-denominated obligation or asset that, when it is pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee under this Indenture, is one or more of the following:

- (a) Cash;
- (b) direct Registered obligations of, and Registered obligations the timely payment of principal and interest on which is fully and expressly guaranteed by, the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States the obligations of which are expressly backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, which in each case are not zero coupon securities;
- (c) demand and time deposits in, trust accounts, certificates of deposit payable within 91 days of issuance of, bankers’ acceptances payable within 91 days of issuance issued by, or Federal funds sold by any depository institution or trust company incorporated under the laws of the United States or any state thereof and subject to supervision and examination by Federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or the debt obligations of such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company), at the time of such acquisition or contractual commitment providing for such acquisition and throughout the term thereof, have a credit rating of not less than “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade, or “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by S&P in the case of commercial paper and short-term debt obligations; provided that in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than “AA-” by S&P and “Aa3” by Moody’s and a short-term rating of “A-1+” by S&P and “P-1” by Moody’s, and if so rated, is not on watch for downgrade;
- (d) commercial paper or other short-term obligations with a maturity of not more than 183 days from the date of issuance and having at the time of such acquisition a credit rating of at least “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by S&P; provided that, in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than “Aa2” by Moody’s, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade.

(e) unleveraged repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clause (b) above entered into with a U.S. federal or state depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (c) above or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose long-term credit rating is not less than “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade or whose short-term credit rating is “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by S&P at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof; provided that, if such repurchase obligation has a maturity of longer than 91 days, the counterparty thereto must also have at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof a long-term credit rating of not less than “Aa2” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(f) any money market fund or similar vehicle having at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof a credit rating of “MR1+” by Moody’s and “AAAm” by S&P; including any fund for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee serves as an investment adviser, administrator, shareholder servicing agent, custodian or subcustodian, notwithstanding that (i) the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses from such funds for services rendered (provided that such charges, fees and expenses are on terms consistent with terms negotiated at arm’s length) and (ii) the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses for services rendered, pursuant to this Indenture;

(g) a guaranteed reinvestment agreement from a bank (if treated as a deposit by such bank), insurance company or other corporation or entity organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (if treated as debt by such insurance company or other corporation or entity), providing for periodic payments thereunder during each Due Period; provided that each such agreement provides that it is terminable by the purchaser, without premium or penalty, in the event that the rating assigned to such agreement by either Moody’s or S&P is at any time lower than the then current ratings assigned to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes; provided, further, that, at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof, the issuer of such agreement has a senior unsecured long-term debt rating, issuer rating or counterparty rating of at least “Aaa” by Moody’s, a short-term debt rating of “P-1” by Moody’s (and not on watch for downgrade), a short-term debt rating of at least “A-1+” by S&P and a long-term debt rating of at least “AAA” by S&P (and not on watch for downgrade); and

(h) such other obligations or assets for which Rating Confirmation has been received;

and, in each case, with a stated maturity (giving effect to any applicable grace period) no later than the Business Day before the Payment Date next succeeding the date of acquisition.

Eligible Investments on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account must have a stated maturity no later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase.

Eligible Investments may not include:

(i) any interest-only security, any security purchased at a price in excess of 100% of its par value, or any security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer;

(ii) any security whose rating assigned by S&P includes the subscript “r,” “t,” “p,” “pi,” or “q”;

(iii) any floating rate security whose interest rate is inversely or otherwise not proportionately related to an interest rate index or is calculated as other than the sum of an interest rate index plus a spread (which spread may be zero);



- (iv) any security that is subject to an exchange or tender offer; or
- (v) any security that has payments subject to foreign or United States withholding tax.

Eligible Investments may include Eligible Investments for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee is the issuer, obligor or applicable depository institution or provides services. Eligible Investments may not include obligations principally secured by real property.

**“Emerging Market Security”**: A security or obligation issued by a sovereign or non-sovereign issuer located in a country (excluding the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Netherlands Antilles, and the Channel Islands):

- (a) that is in Latin America, Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, or the Caribbean, or
- (b) the long-term foreign currency debt obligations of which are rated below “Aa2” or “Aa2” and on credit watch with negative implications by Moody’s or the foreign currency issuer credit rating of which is below “AA” by S&P.

**“ERISA”**: The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended.

**“Established Securities Market”**: Any national securities exchange registered under Section 6 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or exempted from registration because of the limited volume of transaction; any foreign securities exchange that, under the laws of the jurisdiction where it is organized, satisfies regulatory requirements that are analogous to the regulatory requirements imposed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; any regional or local exchange; and any interdealer quotation system that regularly disseminates firm buy or sell quotations by identified brokers or dealers, by electronic means or otherwise.

**“Euroclear”**: Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear system.

**“Event of Default”**: The meaning specified in Section 5.1.

**“Excel Default Model Input File”**: An electronic spreadsheet file in Microsoft excel format to be provided to S&P, which file shall include the balance of Cash and Eligible Investments in each account and the following information (to the extent such information is not confidential) with respect to each Collateral Obligation:

- (a) the name and country of domicile of the issuer thereof and the particular obligation or security held by the Issuer,
- (b) the CUSIP or other applicable identification number associated with such Collateral Obligation,
- (c) the par value of such Collateral Obligation,
- (d) the type of obligation or security (including, by way of example, whether such Collateral Obligation is a bond, loan or asset-backed security), using such abbreviations as may be selected by the Trustee,

(e) a description of the index or other applicable benchmark upon which the interest payable on such Collateral Obligation is based (including, by way of example, fixed rate, step-up rate, zero coupon and LIBOR),

(f) the coupon (in the case of a Collateral Obligation which bears interest at a fixed rate) or the spread over the applicable index (in the case of a Collateral Obligation which bears interest at a floating rate),

(g) the S&P Industry Classification for such Collateral Obligation,

(h) the stated maturity date of such Collateral Obligation,

(i) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation or the issuer thereof, as applicable,

(j) the applicable S&P Priority Category, and

(k) such other information as the Trustee may determine to include in such file.

***“Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations”***: The Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations in excess of 7.5% of the Maximum Amount on the relevant Determination Date.

***“Exchange Act”***: The United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

***“Excluded Property”***: (a) U.S.\$250 (attributable to the issue and allotment of the Issuer Ordinary Shares) and a U.S.\$250 transaction fee paid to the Issuer, the bank account in which those amounts are credited in the Cayman Islands and any interest earned on those amounts, (b) any amounts credited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account from time to time (c) any amounts credited to the Preference Share Distribution Account from time to time, (d) the shares of the Co-Issuer owned by the Issuer and (e) any Margin Stock.

***“Expense Reimbursement Account”***: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(c).

***“Extended Replacement Period End Date”***: If an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Replacement Period End Date (or, in the case of the first Extension pursuant to Section 2.4, the Payment Date in February, 2018); provided that the “Extended Replacement Period End Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in February, 2030.

***“Extended Scheduled Holding Preference Shares Redemption Date”***: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Scheduled Holding Preference Shares Redemption Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Scheduled Holding Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Payment Date in February, 2026); provided that the “Extended Stated Holding Preference Shares Redemption Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in February, 2038.

***“Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date”***: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Payment Date in February, 2026); provided that the “Extended Stated Preference Shares Redemption Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in February, 2038.

***“Extended Stated Maturity Date”***: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Stated Maturity Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Payment Date in February, 2026); provided that the “Extended Stated Maturity Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in February, 2038.

***“Extended Weighted Average Life Date”***: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Weighted Average Life Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Weighted Average Life Date, the Payment Date in February, 2020); provided that the “Extended Weighted Average Life Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in May, 2032.

***“Extension”***: An extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test pursuant to Section 2.4.

***“Extension Bonus Payment”***: With respect to each Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable beneficial owner set forth in Section 2.4(g), in an amount equal to (a) in the case of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-2 Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (b) in the case of the Class B Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (c) in the case of the Class C Notes, 0.50% of the Aggregate Outstanding amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date and (d) in the case of the Class D Notes, 0.50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

***“Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification”***: With respect to each Maturity Extension and each beneficial owner of Notes other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such beneficial owner acceptable to the Issuer to the effect that it held Notes other than Extension Sale Securities on the applicable Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof in the case of the Notes.

***“Extension Conditions”***: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

***“Extension Determination Date”***: The eighth Business Day prior to each Extension Effective Date.

***“Extension Effective Date”***: If an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extension Effective Date (or, in the case of the first Extension Effective Date, the Payment Date in November, 2011).

***“Extension Notice”***: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

***“Extension Purchase Price”***: The purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with each Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (a) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the applicable Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date) and (b) in the case of the Preference Shares and the Holding Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be, since the Closing Date would cause such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment

Date); provided, however, that if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, shall be zero.

**“Extension Qualifying Purchasers”**: The Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); provided that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Extension Sale Securities from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.4(c), “Extension Qualifying Purchasers” shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Placement Agent, the Investors Corp. Placement Agent or any of their respective Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; provided, however, none of the Servicer, the Placement Agent, the Investors Corp. Placement Agent or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

**“Extension Sale Notice”**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**“Extension Sale Notice Period”**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**“Extension Sale Securities”**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**“Face Amount”**: With respect to any Preference Share or Holding Preference Share, the amount set forth therein as the “face amount” thereof, which “face amount” shall be U.S.\$1,000 per Preference Share or Holding Preference Share.

**“Finance Lease”**: A lease agreement or other agreement entered into in connection with and evidencing a Leasing Finance Transaction.

**“Financial Asset”**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(9) of the UCC.

**“Financing Statements”**: Financing statements relating to the Collateral naming the Issuer as debtor and the Trustee on behalf of the Secured Parties as secured party.

**“First Trigger Collateral Amount”**: The collateral to be posted by a downgraded Hedge Counterparty as required by Section 15.2(c) and determined by the following table:

<b>First Trigger Collateral Amounts<sup>1</sup></b>	
<b>Single currency swaps, transaction-specific hedges, caps, floors &amp; swaptions</b>	
Daily Posting:	$\text{Max}[0, \text{MtM}^2 + \text{Min}[15 * \text{DV01}, 2\% * \text{hedge notional}]]$
Weekly Posting:	$\text{Max}[0, \text{MtM}^2 + \text{Min}[25 * \text{DV01}, 4\% * \text{hedge notional}]]$
<b>Cross-currency swaps, transaction-specific hedges, caps, floors &amp; swaptions</b>	
Daily Posting:	$\text{Max}[0, \text{MtM}^2 + \text{Min}[1.00\% * \text{hedge notional}^3 + 10 * \text{DV01}^4, 2.5\% * \text{hedge notional}^3]]$
Weekly Posting:	$\text{Max}[0, \text{MtM}^2 + \text{Min}[2.00\% * \text{hedge notional}^3 + 20 * \text{DV01}^4, 5\% * \text{hedge notional}^3]]$

1. Calculation should be in same currency as that of rated liabilities. However, for certain single-currency hedges addressing asset mismatches only, calculation may be made in the currency of the hedge itself, even where different from that of the rated liabilities.
2. MtM = Mid-market value.
3. “Hedge Notional” for cross-currency hedge = notional of that leg denominated in same currency as rated liabilities of cashflow transaction.
4. Larger of two DV01’s corresponding to each leg of a cross-currency hedge.

**“Fixed Amount”**: With respect to CDS/TRS Purchaser and each applicable Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period, the product of (i) the applicable Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Amount with respect to such CDS/TRS Purchaser, (ii) the applicable Fixed Rate with respect to such CDS/TRS Purchaser and (iii) a fraction the numerator of which is the actual number of days in such Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period and the denominator of which is 360.

**“Fixed Rate”**: With respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser, the spread over LIBOR of the Class of Notes held by such CDS/TRS Purchaser with respect to which such CDS/TRS Purchaser has entered into a credit default swap or a total return swap, as the case may be.

**“Fixed Rate Excess”**: As of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose numerator is the product of:

(a) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date over the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, and

(b) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date,

and whose denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Fixed Rate Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Spread Excess were equal to zero.

**“Fixed Rate Obligations”**: Any Collateral Obligation that bears interest at a fixed rate.

**“Fixed Rate Payer Calculation Amount”**: With respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser for purposes of calculating the applicable CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes held by such CDS/TRS Purchaser as of the date of purchase of such Notes in an Amendment Buy-Out (in each case, after giving effect to any principal amounts paid to such CDS/TRS Purchaser on such date).

**“Fixed Rate Payer Calculation Period”**: With respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser for purposes of calculating the applicable CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount, initially, the period from and including the date of purchase of such Notes in an Amendment Buy-Out to but excluding the immediately succeeding Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date; provided that the last Fixed Rate Payer Calculation Period shall end on the Payment Date occurring in August 2010.

**“Floating Rate Notes”**: The Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**“Floating Rate Obligation”**: Any Collateral Obligation that bears interest based on a floating rate index.

**“Form-Approved Synthetic Security”**: A Synthetic Security

(a) (i) each of the Reference Obligations of which satisfy the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and could be purchased by the Issuer without any required action by the Rating Agencies, without satisfaction of the Rating Condition or which the Rating Agencies have otherwise approved; or

(ii) each of the Reference Obligations of which would satisfy subclause (a)(i) above but for the currency in which the Reference Obligation is payable and the Synthetic Security is payable in Dollars, does not provide for physical settlement, and does not expose the Issuer to Dollar currency risk;

(b) the Synthetic Security Agreement of which conforms (but for the amount and timing of periodic payments, the name of the Reference Obligation, the notional amount, the effective date, the termination date, and other similar necessary changes) to a form that has been expressly identified and approved in writing in connection with a request under this Indenture by Moody’s and S&P;

(c) a copy of the Synthetic Security Agreement of which has been delivered to the Holders of the Class A Notes by the Trustee at the expense of the Co-Issuers and upon being furnished with a copy of the same by the Servicer; and

(d) that is with a counterparty with respect to which the Rating Condition has been satisfied by each of Moody’s and S&P prior to the acquisition of any such Form-Approved Synthetic Security, and such approval has not been withdrawn.

Moody’s or S&P may at any time, by notice to the Servicer, withdraw its approval of any such form. A withdrawal of approval shall have no effect on any Synthetic Security acquired, entered into, or committed to before the date on which the Servicer receives the notice of withdrawal.

**“Fully Drawn Amount”**: The maximum aggregate principal amount that can be drawn under the Class A-1B Notes, in an amount equal to \$75,000,000.

**“GAAP”**: The meaning specified in Section 6.3(j).

**“Global Notes”**: Any Regulation S Global Notes or Rule 144A Global Notes.

**“Grant”**: To grant, bargain, sell, warrant, alienate, remise, demise, release, convey, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge, create, and grant a security interest in and right of setoff against, deposit, set over, and confirm. A Grant of the Pledged Obligations, or of any other instrument, shall include all rights, powers, and options of the granting party thereunder, including the immediate continuing right to claim for, collect, receive, and receipt for principal and interest payments in respect of the Pledged Obligations, and all other monies payable thereunder, to give and receive notices and other communications, to make waivers or other agreements, to exercise all rights and options, to bring Proceedings in the name of the granting party or otherwise, and generally to do and receive anything that the granting party is or may be entitled to do or receive thereunder or with respect thereto.

**“Hedge Agreements”**: Collectively, all interest rate cap or interest rate swap agreements between the Issuer and any Hedge Counterparty, and any replacement agreement entered into pursuant to Section 15.2.

**“Hedge Counterparty”**: Any counterparty, to the extent that when the Issuer enters into any Hedge Agreement with such counterparty, such counterparty satisfies the requirements of Section 15.2(b) (subject, in the case of any other counterparty, to satisfaction of the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency).

***“Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account”***: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(d).

***“Hedge Termination Receipt”***: Any termination payment paid by the Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer upon any early termination of a Hedge Agreement with respect to which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

***“HFP”***: Highland Financial Partners, L.P., an Affiliate of the Servicer.

***“High-Yield Bond”***: Any debt security, other than a Loan or a Structured Finance Obligation, that is either Registered or, if not Registered, (a) it is issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States, (b) the payments on it are not subject to United States withholding tax and (c) it is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation Section 1.165-12(c)(3).

***“Holder”***: Of any Note, the person whose name appears on the Indenture Register as the registered holder of the Note; of any Preference Share, the person whose name appears in the Preference Share register related thereto as the registered holder of such Preference Share; and of any Holding Preference Share, the person whose name appears in the Holding Preference Share register related thereto as the registered holder of such Holding Preference Share.

***“Holding Preference Share Documents”***: Investors Corp.’s memorandum and articles of association, the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the resolutions of Investors Corp.’s board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Holding Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

***“Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return”***: With respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the “XIRR” function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for each distribution made to the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date, assuming all Holding Preference Shares are purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount.

***“Holding Preference Shares”***: Preference shares issued by Investors Corp. pursuant to the Holding Preference Share Documents.

***“Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement”***: The Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, by and between Investors Corp. and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

***“Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent”***: Investors Bank & Trust Company, in its capacity as holding preference shares paying agent under the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the holding preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter “Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent” shall mean such successor Person.

***“Holding Share Registrar”***: Maples Finance Limited or any successor thereto.

***“Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice”***: A notice substantially in the form of Exhibit C-2.

**“Indenture”**: This instrument as originally executed and, if from time to time supplemented or amended by one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture entered into pursuant to this Indenture, as so supplemented or amended.

**“Indenture Register”**: The meaning specified in Section 2.6(a).

**“Indenture Registrar”**: The meaning specified in Section 2.6(a).

**“Independent”**: As to any person, any other person (including, in the case of an accountant or lawyer, a firm of accountants or lawyers, and any member of the firm, or an investment bank and any member of the bank) who

(a) does not have and is not committed to acquire any material direct or any material indirect financial interest in the person or in any Affiliate of the person, and

(b) is not connected with the person as an Officer, employee, promoter, underwriter, voting trustee, partner, director, or person performing similar functions.

**“Independent”** when used with respect to any accountant may include an accountant who audits the books of the person if in addition to satisfying the criteria above the accountant is independent with respect to the person within the meaning of Rule 101 of the Code of Ethics of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

Whenever any Independent person’s opinion or certificate is to be furnished to the Trustee, the opinion or certificate shall state that the signer has read this definition and that the signer is Independent within the meaning of this Indenture.

**“Initial Consent Period”**: The period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee mailed notice of a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2(b) to the Holders of Securities.

**“Initial Rating”**: The ratings by Moody’s and S&P with respect to each Class of Notes provided in the table in Section 2.3(a).

**“Insolvency Event”**: With respect to any person, means that:

(a) an involuntary proceeding shall be commenced or an involuntary petition shall be filed seeking:

(i) liquidation, reorganization, or other relief in respect of the person or its debts, or of all or substantially all of its assets, under any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar law now or hereafter in effect, or

(ii) the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, conservator, or similar official for the person or for all or substantially all of its assets,

and, in any such case, the proceeding or petition shall continue undismissed for 30 days; or an order or decree approving or ordering any of the foregoing shall be entered, or

(b) the person shall:



(c) voluntarily commence any proceeding or file any petition seeking liquidation, reorganization, or other relief under any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar law now or hereafter in effect,

(d) consent to the institution of, or fail to contest in a timely and appropriate manner, any proceeding or petition described in clause (a) above,

(e) apply for or consent to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, or conservator or for all or substantially all of its assets,

(f) file an answer admitting the material allegations of a petition filed against it in any such proceeding, or

(g) make a general assignment for the benefit of creditors.

**“Insolvency Proceeding”**: The meaning specified in Section 16.4(b).

**“Institutional Accredited Investor”**: An Accredited Investor as defined by Rule 501(a)(1), (2), (3) and (7) of the Securities Act.

**“Instrument”**: The meaning specified in Section 9-102(a)(47) of the UCC.

**“Insurer”**: The meaning specified in Section 14.3(c).

**“Interest Coverage Ratio”**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by dividing:

(a) the sum of:

(i) the Interest Proceeds received or scheduled to be received with respect to the Due Period in which the Measurement Date occurs, minus

(ii) amounts payable under clauses (1), (2), (3) and (4) of Section 11.1(a)(i) on the related Payment Date, by:

(b) all accrued and unpaid interest on the specified Class of Notes (and the Delayed Drawdown Fee with respect to the Class A-1B Notes) and all Notes ranking senior to the Class, including any Deferred Interest on the related Payment Date.

For purposes of the Interest Coverage Ratio, only the amount of any interest payment (including any “gross up” payment) on any Collateral Obligation in excess of any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction on any date of determination shall be included in Interest Proceeds.

**“Interest Coverage Test”**: A test the first Measurement Date for which will be on the second Payment Date and that is satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level in the table below for the specified Class:

<u>Test</u>	<u>Required Level</u>
Class A Interest Coverage Test	130.0%

Class B Interest Coverage Test	120.0%
Class C Interest Coverage Test	115.0%
Class D Interest Coverage Test	110.0%

**“Interest Period”:** Initially, the period from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the first Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date; provided that with respect to any Drawdown made under the Class A-1B Notes, the first Interest Period shall be the period from and including the date of such Drawdown to but excluding the Payment Date following such date.

**“Interest Proceeds”:** With respect to any Due Period, the sum (without duplication) of all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period (or as otherwise specified below) by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are:

(a) payments of interest, fees, and commissions (excluding (i) Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal, (ii) interest and dividends on Workout Assets, (iii) fees and commissions from Defaulted Collateral Obligations, and (iv) syndication and other up-front fees and any up-front fixed payments received in connection with entering into a Synthetic Security);

(b) any portion of the Sale Proceeds of a Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) representing Accrued Interest On Sale;

(c) all payments of principal on, or disposition proceeds from the sale of, Eligible Investments to the extent purchased with Interest Proceeds;

(d) payments with respect to the Hedge Agreements received on or before the related Payment Date (other than any amount payable thereunder because of any early termination or notional amount reduction), but not any Sale Proceeds from any of these instruments (except to the extent that they were purchased with Interest Proceeds);

(e) all fees received pursuant to any Securities Lending Agreements;

(f) amounts in the Collection Account designated for distribution as Interest Proceeds pursuant to the Priority of Payments (including any amount transferred from the Interest Reserve Account);

(g) all earnings on amounts in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account and the Revolving Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.3(b);

(h) amounts in the Expense Reimbursement Account on the Payment Date for the relevant Due Period; and

(i) any recoveries (including interest) received on a Defaulted Collateral Obligation or a deferred interest PIK Security in excess of the principal balance of such Defaulted Collateral Obligation or deferred interest PIK Security (as of the date the related Collateral Obligation became a Defaulted Collateral Obligation or a deferred interest PIK Security).

Interest Proceeds shall not include the Excluded Property and Interest Proceeds shall not include earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

Each reference in the definition of “Interest Proceeds” to a Collateral Obligation shall include a Collateral Obligation that has been loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and Interest Proceeds shall include any amounts referred to in clauses (a) through (c) above received by the Issuer in respect of the Collateral Obligation indirectly from the related Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement.

With respect to any Payment Date, Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Interest Proceeds due and payable on such Payment Date to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date that are distributed to such Holders by way of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of Cash pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(i) will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds.

**“Interest Reserve Account”**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(j).

**“Investment Company Act”**: The United States Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

**“Investors Corp.”**: Brentwood Investors Corp., an exempted limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands.

**“Investors Corp. Placement Agency Agreement”**: A placement agency agreement dated December 21, 2006 among Investors Corp. and Banc of America Securities LLC relating to the placement of the Placed Shares, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**“Investors Corp. Placement Agent”**: Banc of America Securities LLC.

**“Investors Corp. Subscription Agreement”**: A subscription agreement dated December 21, 2006 among Investors Corp. and the Issuer relating to the purchase of the Class I Preference Shares by Investors Corp.

**“Irish Paying Agent”**: The meaning specified in Section 7.2.

**“Issuer”**: The Person named as such on the first page of this Indenture.

**“Issuer Accounts”**: The meaning assigned in the Granting Clauses.

**“Issuer Order”** and **“Issuer Request”**: A written order or request dated and signed in the name of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp. by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp., as applicable, or by the Servicer by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

**“Issuer Ordinary Shares”**: The 250 ordinary shares, par value U.S.\$1.00 per share, of the Issuer which have been issued by the Issuer and are outstanding from time to time.

**“Junior Class”**: With respect to a particular Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that is subordinated to that Class, as indicated in Section 13.1.

**“Leasing Finance Transaction”**: Any transaction pursuant to which the obligations of the lessee to pay rent or other amounts on a triple net basis under any lease of (or other arrangement conveying the right to use) real or personal property, or a combination thereof, are required to be classified and accounted for as a capital lease on a balance sheet of such lessee under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America; but only if (a) such lease or other transaction provides for the

unconditional obligation of the lessee to pay a stated amount of principal no later than a stated maturity date, together with interest thereon, and the payment of such obligation is not subject to any material non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer, (b) the obligations of the lessee in respect of such lease or other transaction are fully secured, directly or indirectly, by the property that is the subject of such lease and (c) the interest held by the Issuer in respect of such lease or other transaction is treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

**“LIBOR”**: The offered rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent for any Interest Period, for three-month Dollar deposits that appears on Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News (or a page that replaces Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), as of 11:00 A.M. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period.

If, on the second Business Day before the first day of any relevant Interest Period, that rate does not appear on Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Market Commodities News (or a page that replaces Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), the Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks to prime banks in the London interbank market for three month Dollar deposits in Europe, by reference to requests by the Calculation Agent to four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) (the **“Reference Banks”**) for quotations as of approximately 11:00 A.M. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the Interest Period. If at least two of the Reference Banks provide quotations as requested, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean. If fewer than two Reference Banks provide quotations, LIBOR shall be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that one or more leading banks in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) are quoting to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period for three month Dollar deposits.

If the Calculation Agent is unable to determine a rate in accordance with any of the above procedures, LIBOR for the Interest Period shall be calculated on the last day of the Interest Period and shall be the arithmetic mean of the rate of interest for each day during the Interest Period determined by the Calculation Agent as being the rate of interest most recently announced by the Bank as its base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans (or if the Bank ceases to exist or is not quoting a base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans, another major money center commercial bank in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer)).

For the first Interest Period and, unless the Maturity Extension occurs, the last Interest Period, LIBOR shall be determined based on the actual number of days in the Interest Period using straight-line interpolation of two rates calculated in accordance with the above procedure, except that instead of using three month deposits, one rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next shorter than the Interest Period and the other rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next longer than the Interest Period. All calculations shall be calculated to at least four decimal places and rounded to four decimal places.

**“Loan”**: Any interest in a fully committed, senior secured, unsecured, or revolving loan (including loans involving credit linked deposits) that is acquired by assignment or by Participation (including any DIP Loan) that is either:

- (a) Registered, or

- (b) issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States:
  - (i) whose payments are not subject to United States withholding tax; and
  - (ii) that is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**“Long-Dated Collateral Obligation”:** Any Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturity of the Notes other than a Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturities of the Notes that includes a “put” option to its obligor at a price of at least par payable on or before the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

**“Majority”:** With respect to any Class or group of Notes or the Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**“Margin Stock”:** “Margin Stock” as defined under Regulation U issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, including any debt security that is by its terms convertible into Margin Stock, but does not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation received pursuant to an offer by an issuer of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**“Market Value”:** As of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) based upon the Servicer’s commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (a) the average of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (b) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the lower of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (c) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the bid-side prices for the purchase of the Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer).

If a Market Value of any Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined in accordance with the procedures set out in the preceding paragraph for a period of 30 consecutive days then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero; provided that, during such 30 day period, such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the lower of (i) the product of (A) the Principal Balance of such Collateral Obligation multiplied by (B) 1.25 multiplied by (C) the applicable S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate and (ii) the current market value of such Collateral Obligation as determined by the Servicer in its commercially reasonable judgment; provided, further, that the maximum amount of Collateral Obligations having a Market Value assigned pursuant to the immediately preceding proviso shall be limited to 5.0% of the Maximum Amount (and any amount in excess of 5.0% of the Maximum Amount shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero). For the avoidance of doubt, the procedures set out in this paragraph shall not apply to determinations of Market Value of any Eligible Equity Securities.

The Servicer is under no obligation to determine the Market Value of the Collateral Obligations other than as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or this Indenture or to comply with any of its duties as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or in this Indenture.

**“Market Value Determination Date”:** With respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities, one Business Day prior to the date of the notice distributed by the Issuer to the Holders of the Preference Shares in connection with such distribution.

**“Market Value Percentage”:** For any Collateral Obligation, the ratio obtained by dividing:

- (a) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation, *by*
- (b) the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Maturity”:** With respect to any Note, the date on which the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable as provided in the Note or this Indenture, whether at the Stated Maturity or by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise.

**“Maturity Extension”:** The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**“Maximum Amount”:** An amount equal to:

- (a) on any Measurement Date during the Ramp-Up Period, U.S.\$677,332,536; and
- (b) on any Measurement Date after the Ramp-Up Completion Date:
  - (i) the aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations plus the aggregate outstanding principal amount of any Defaulted Collateral Obligations, *plus*
  - (ii) Cash representing Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account, *plus*
  - (iii) Eligible Investments (other than Cash) purchased by the Issuer with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account, *plus*
  - (iv) without duplication, an amount equal to the Aggregate Undrawn Amount of the Class A-1B Notes.

**“Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor”:** As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the sum of (a) the number set forth in the column entitled “Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable) plus (b) the Recovery Rate Modifier.

**“Measurement Date”:** Any date:

- (a) on which the Issuer commits to acquire or dispose of any Collateral Obligation;
- (b) on which a Collateral Obligation becomes a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
- (c) that is a Determination Date;
- (d) that is the Ramp-Up Completion Date;
- (e) that is the date as of which the information in a Monthly Report is calculated pursuant to Section 10.6; and,

(f) with respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities only, that is a Market Value Determination Date.

**“Merging Entity”**: The meaning specified in Section 7.10.

**“Middle Market Loan”**: Any Loan issued as part of a loan facility with an original loan size (including any First Lien Loan and Second Lien Loans included in the facility) of less than U.S.\$200,000,000 but greater than U.S.\$10,000,000, including for purposes of this definition the maximum available amount of commitments under any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan.

**“Minimum Diversity Score”**: As of any Measurement Date, a score equal to the number set forth in the column entitled “Minimum Diversity Score” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**“Minimum Weighted Average Spread”**: As of any Measurement Date, the spread equal to the percentage set forth in the row entitled “Minimum Weighted Average Spread” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**“Monthly Determination Date”**: The meaning specified in Section 10.6(a).

**“Monthly Report”**: The meaning specified in Section 10.6(a).

**“Moody’s”**: Moody’s Investors Service, Inc.

**“Moody’s Default Probability Rating”**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**“Moody’s Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating”**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**“Moody’s Group I Country”**: Any of the following countries: Australia, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and any country subsequently determined by Moody’s to be a Moody’s Group I Country.

**“Moody’s Group II Country”**: Any of the following countries: Germany, Ireland, Sweden, Switzerland and any country subsequently determined by Moody’s to be a Moody’s Group II Country.

**“Moody’s Group III Country”**: Any of the following countries: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, Spain and any country subsequently determined by Moody’s to be a Moody’s Group III Country.

**“Moody’s Industry Classification”**: The industry classifications in Schedule 2 as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by Moody’s.

**“Moody’s Minimum Average Recovery Rate”**: As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the number obtained by

(a) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate,

(b) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (a) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations, and

(c) rounding up to the first decimal place.

**“Moody’s Non Senior Secured Loan”**: Any Loan that is not a Moody’s Senior Secured Loan.

**“Moody’s Obligation Rating”**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**“Moody’s Priority Category”**: Each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of “Applicable Percentage” as a “Moody’s Priority Category.”

**“Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate”**: For any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of “Applicable Percentage” opposite the Moody’s Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Moody’s Rating”**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**“Moody’s Rating Factor”**: The number in the table below opposite the rating of the Collateral Obligation (excluding Synthetic Securities where an Assigned Moody’s Rating is not available).

<u>Moody’s Rating</u>	<u>Moody’s Rating Factor</u>	<u>Moody’s Rating</u>	<u>Moody’s Rating Factor</u>
Aaa	1	Ba1	940
Aa1	10	Ba2	1350
Aa2	20	Ba3	1766
Aa3	40	B1	2220
A1	70	B2	2720
A2	120	B3	3490
A3	180	Caa1	4770
Baa1	260	Caa2	6500
Baa2	360	Caa3	8070
Baa3	610	Ca or lower	10000

The Moody’s Rating Factor for Collateral Obligations that are Synthetic Securities shall be determined by Moody’s and obtained by the Issuer or the Servicer on a case-by-case basis, unless there is an Assigned Moody’s Rating available for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, in which case such Assigned Moody’s Rating shall be used to compute the Moody’s Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security.

The Moody’s Rating Factor for any Collateral Obligation that is a Structured Finance Security shall be equal to:  $\frac{A \times 55\%}{1 - B}$ ,

where: “A” means the number determined with respect to such Collateral Obligation pursuant to the table above; and

“B” means the Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

**“Moody’s Senior Secured Loan”**:

(a) a Loan that:



(i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan,

(ii) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan, and

(iii) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal seniority secured by a first lien or security interest in the same collateral, or

(b) a Loan that:

(i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan, other than, with respect to a Loan described in clause (a) above, with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such loan,

(ii) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan,

(iii) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by a first or second lien or security interest in the same collateral, and

(iv) has a Moody's rating equal to or higher than the applicable Moody's corporate family rating, and

(c) the Loan is not: (i) a DIP Loan, (ii) a Loan for which the security interest or lien (or the validity or effectiveness thereof) in substantially all of its collateral attaches, becomes effective, or otherwise "springs" into existence after the origination thereof, or (iii) a type of loan that Moody's has identified as having unusual terms and with respect to which its Moody's Recovery Rate has been or is to be determined on a case-by-case basis.

**"Non-Call Period":** The period from the Closing Date to but not including the Payment Date in November, 2010.

**"Non-Consenting Holder":** With respect to any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, any Holder or, in the case of Securities represented by Global Notes, any beneficial owner, that either (a) has delivered to the Trustee a written notice that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or (b) had not consented to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

**"Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder":** With respect to any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, any Holder of Holding Preference Shares that either (a) has directed Investors Corp. not to consent to such

supplemental indenture or (b) has not provided Investors Corp. with any direction with respect to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

**“Non-Consenting Note Refinancing”**: The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

**“Non-Consenting Notes”**: The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

**“Non-Consenting Notes Payment Amount”**: The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

**“Non-Performing Collateral Obligation”**: Any (a) Defaulted Collateral Obligation and (b) PIK Security as to which its issuer or obligor has previously deferred or capitalized any interest due on it and all the interest so deferred or capitalized has not subsequently been paid in full in cash by:

(i) if the PIK Security has a Moody’s Rating of “Baa3” (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above or an S&P Rating of “BBB-” (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above, the earlier of its second payment date or one year following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it, or

(ii) if the PIK Security has a Moody’s Rating of “Baa3” and on credit watch with negative implications or below “Baa3,” or an S&P Rating of “BBB-” and on credit watch with negative implications or below “BBB-,” the earlier of its first payment date or six months following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it.

**“Non-Permitted Holder”**: (a) With respect to the Global Notes, a Holder or beneficial owner of an interest in a Global Note that is a U.S. person and (i) not a QIB/QP and that becomes the beneficial owner of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note or (ii) does not have an exemption available under the Securities Act and (b) with respect to the Class D Notes, a Holder or beneficial owner of an interest in a Class D Note that is not (i) an Institutional Accredited Investor or (ii) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and both a Qualified Purchaser.

**“Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor”**: The meaning specified in the second paragraph of Section 6.6.

**“Non-qualifying Collateral Obligation”**: The meaning specified in Section 12.1(d).

**“Note Break-Even Loss Rate”**: With respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the maximum percentage of defaults that the Current Portfolio or Proposed Portfolio can sustain and nevertheless sufficient funds will remain for the payment of principal of the Class of Notes in full by its Stated Maturity and the timely payment of interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes using S&P’s assumptions on recoveries, defaults, and timing, and taking into account the Priority of Payments and the adjusted Weighted Average Spread level specified in the applicable row of the table below. The adjusted Weighted Average Spread as of any Measurement Date is the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date minus the amount of any Spread Excess added to the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon as of the Measurement Date.

Row	Adjusted Weighted Average Spread
1	Greater than or equal to 3.05%
2	Greater than or equal to 2.95% but less than 3.05%
3	Greater than or equal to 2.85% but less than 2.95%
4	Greater than or equal to 2.75% but less than 2.85%

5	Greater than or equal to 2.65% but less than 2.75%
6	Greater than or equal to 2.55% but less than 2.65%
7	Greater than or equal to 2.45% but less than 2.55%
8	Greater than or equal to 2.35% but less than 2.45%
9	Greater than or equal to 2.25% but less than 2.35%

**“Note Class Loss Differential”**: With respect to any Measurement Date and any Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the rate calculated by subtracting the Class Scenario Loss Rate for the Class from the then-applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate for the Class of Notes.

**“Noteholder”**: A Holder of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes.

**“Note Interest Rate”**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate payable on the Notes of the Class with respect to each Interest Period equal to LIBOR for Eurodollar deposits for the applicable Interest Period plus the spread specified in the “Interest Rate” rows of the tables in Section 2.3 with respect to such Notes except in the first Interest Period.

**“Note Payment Sequence”**: The application of funds in the following order:

(a) to the Class A-1A Notes and the Class A-1B Notes, *pro rata* based on the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each of the Class A-1A Notes and the Class A-1B Notes, until the Class A-1 Notes have been fully redeemed;

(b) to the Class A-2 Notes until the Class A-2 Notes have been fully redeemed;

(c) to the Class B Notes until the Class B Notes have been fully redeemed;

(d) to the Class C Notes until the Class C Notes have been fully redeemed; and

(e) to the Class D Notes until the Class D Notes have been fully redeemed.

**“Notes”**: The Senior Notes and the Class D Notes authorized by, and authenticated and delivered under, this Indenture or any supplemental indenture.

**“Notice of Refinancing”**: The meaning specified in Section 9.8(a).

**“Objection Cut-Off Date”**: The meaning specified in Section 15.1(h)(ii).

**“Offer”**: The meaning specified in Section 10.7(c).

**“Offering”**: The offering of the Notes.

**“Offering Memorandum”**: The final offering memorandum, dated December 18, 2006, prepared and delivered in connection with the offer and sale of the Securities.

**“Officer”**: With respect to the Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to the Co-Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant

Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to any partnership, any of its general partners; and with respect to the Trustee, any Trust Officer.

**“Opinion of Counsel”**: A written opinion addressed to the Trustee and, when required hereunder, each Rating Agency, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and each Rating Agency, as applicable, of an attorney at law (or law firm with one or more partners) reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and admitted to practice before the highest court of any state of the United States or the District of Columbia (or the Cayman Islands, in the case of an opinion relating to the laws of the Cayman Islands), which attorney (or law firm) may, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, be counsel for the Servicer, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. Whenever an Opinion of Counsel is required under this Indenture, the Opinion of Counsel may rely on opinions of other counsel who are so admitted and so satisfactory, which opinions of other counsel shall accompany the Opinion of Counsel and shall either be addressed to the Trustee and each Rating Agency or shall state that the Trustee and each Rating Agency may rely on it. An Opinion of Counsel may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion.

**“Optional Redemption”**: A redemption of the Notes in accordance with Section 9.2.

**“Other Indebtedness”**: The meaning specified in the definition of “Defaulted Collateral Obligation.”

**“Outstanding”**: With respect to:

(a) the Notes or any specified Class, as of any date of determination, all of the Notes or all of the Notes of the specified Class, as the case may be, theretofore authenticated and delivered under this Indenture, except with respect to Notes:

(i) Notes canceled by the Indenture Registrar or delivered to the Indenture Registrar for cancellation;

(ii) Notes for whose payment or redemption funds in the necessary amount have been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for their Holders pursuant to Section 4.1(a)(ii) and if the Notes are to be redeemed, notice of redemption has been duly given pursuant to this Indenture;

(iii) Notes in exchange for or in lieu of which other Notes have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to this Indenture; and

(iv) Notes alleged to have been destroyed, lost, or stolen for which replacement Notes have been issued as provided in Section 2.7, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Notes are held by a protected purchaser;

(b) the Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Preference Share Documents and listed in the Preference Share register of the Issuer as outstanding;

(c) the Holding Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Holding Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Holding Preference Share Documents and listed in the Holding Preference Share register of Investors Corp. as outstanding;

provided that, in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Transaction Securities have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver under the Transaction Documents, Transaction Securities owned or beneficially owned by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, any Affiliate of either of them and, with respect to any matter affecting its status as Servicer or appointment of a replacement Servicer or relating to an acceleration of any Class of Notes if the effect of the Servicer's action or inaction as a Holder of Transaction Securities would effectively prevent acceleration, the Servicer, its Affiliates and any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (other than, with respect to Notes or Class II Preference Shares, HFP or any of its subsidiaries; provided that, with respect to the voting authority of Notes or Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) shall be disregarded and not be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver, only Securities that a Trust Officer of the Trustee (or with respect to the Preference Shares and Holding Preference Shares, only Preference Shares and Holding Preference Shares that an authorized officer of the Preference Shares Paying Agent or Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable) has actual knowledge to be so owned or beneficially owned shall be so disregarded. Transaction Securities so owned or beneficially owned that have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, the pledgee's right so to act with respect to the Transaction Securities and that the pledgee is independent from the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent.

**"Overcollateralization Ratio"**: With respect to any Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by *dividing*:

- (a) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator; by
- (b) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it (excluding any Deferred Interest on the Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it).

**"Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator"**: On any date, the sum of:

- (a) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (other than any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, any Deep Discount Obligations, any Current Pay Obligation and any Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an "event of default" (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing); *plus*
- (b) unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal (excluding any unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal in respect of Non-Performing Collateral Obligations); *plus*
- (c) the Aggregate Principal Balance of any Eligible Investments that were purchased with Principal Proceeds and the amount of Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
- (d) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Eligible Investments on deposit in a Securities Lending Account that relate to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an "event of default" (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing; *plus*

(e) with respect to Collateral Obligations that are Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, Deep Discount Obligations, Current Pay Obligations or Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, the amount determined by using one of the following methods applicable to such type of Collateral Obligation; provided that if a Collateral Obligation falls within more than one of such types, the Issuer will be required to use the method that results in the smallest amount:

(i) with respect to any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, an amount equal to the product of (A) the lower of (1) 70% and (2) the CCC+/Caa1 Excess Market Value Percentage, multiplied by (B) the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations;

(ii) with respect to any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, the aggregate of the Applicable Collateral Obligation Amounts for all included Non-Performing Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations that have been held by the Issuer for more than three years, which shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this clause (ii));

(iii) with respect to any Deep Discount Obligations, the Aggregate Purchase Price Amount for all Deep Discount Obligations; and

(iv) with respect to any Current Pay Obligation that becomes a Current Pay Obligation after failing to pay interest when due for a period of six months or more then (A) if the Market Value of such Current Pay Obligation is greater than or equal to 80%, the par amount thereof or (B) if the Market Value of such Current Pay Obligation is less than 80%, the Market Value thereof; and, with respect to any other Current Pay Obligation, the Principal Balance thereof.

As used in this definition, “***Applicable Collateral Obligation Amount***” for any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation means:

(a) the lesser of:

(x) the Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation; and

(y) the Applicable Percentage for the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation;

multiplied by:

(b) if the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation is:

(1) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (2) through (4) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;

(2) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;

(3) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer’s obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and

- (4) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

As used in the calculation of Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation, the Principal Balance of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall be, if the Defaulted Collateral Obligation is:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (ii) through (iv) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and
- (iv) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

***“Overcollateralization Test”***: A test that is satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes if, as of any Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the required level for the specified Class indicated in the table below:

<u>Test</u>	<u>Required Level</u>
Class A Overcollateralization Test	121.0%
Class B Overcollateralization Test	109.4%
Class C Overcollateralization Test	106.8%
Class D Overcollateralization Test	104.3%

***“Participating Institution”***: An institution that creates a participation interest and that has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least “A3” (and if so rated by Moody's such rating is not on watch for possible downgrade) and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least “A”.

***“Participation”***: A Loan acquired as a participation interest created by a Participating Institution.

***“Paying Agent”***: Any Person authorized by the Issuer to pay the principal of or interest on any Notes on behalf of the Issuer as specified in Section 7.2.

***“Payment Account”***: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(h).

***“Payment Date”***: The first day of February, May, August and November in each year, commencing in May 2007 or, if any such day is not a Business Day, the next following Business Day, any other date on which the Notes are redeemed or paid before their Stated Maturity, and at the Stated Maturity for the Notes.

***“Permitted Offer”***: An Offer pursuant to which the offeror offers to acquire a debt obligation (including a Collateral Obligation) in exchange solely for cash in an amount equal to or greater than the full face amount of the debt obligation plus any accrued and unpaid interest and as to which the Servicer has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the offeror has sufficient access to financing to consummate the Offer.

**“Person”**: An individual, corporation (including a business trust), partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust (including any beneficiary thereof), unincorporated association or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

**“PIK Cash-Pay Interest”**: As to any PIK Security, the portion of interest required to be paid in cash (and not permitted to be added to the balance of such PIK Security or otherwise deferred and accrued) thereon pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments.

**“PIK Security”**: Any loan or debt obligation on which any portion of the interest accrued for a specified period of time or until the maturity thereof is, or at the option of the obligor may be, added to the principal balance of such loan or debt obligation or otherwise deferred rather than being paid in cash, provided that such loan or debt obligation shall not be a PIK Security if the portion, if any, of such interest required pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments to be paid in Cash would result in the outstanding principal amount of such loan or debt obligation having an effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest at least equal to (a) if such loan or debt obligation is a fixed rate loan or debt obligation, 4.0% per annum, or (b) if such loan or debt obligation is a floating rate loan or debt obligation, LIBOR.

**“Placed Notes”**: The Notes placed by the Placement Agent pursuant to the Placement Agency Agreement.

**“Placed Shares”**: The Holding Preference Shares placed by the Investors Corp. Placement Agent pursuant to the Investors Corp. Placement Agency Agreement.

**“Placement Agency Agreement”**: A placement agency agreement dated December 21, 2006 among the Co-Issuers and the Placement Agent, relating to the placement of the Placed Notes, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**“Placement Agent”**: Banc of America Securities LLC.

**“Plan Asset Regulation”**: Section 3(42) of ERISA, the regulation issued by the United States Department of Labor and found at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101, and any other or successor provisions relating to the definition of plan assets for the purposes of ERISA.

**“Pledged Obligations”**: As of any date of determination, the Collateral Obligations, the Workout Assets, the Eligible Investments, and any other securities or obligations that have been Granted to the Trustee that form part of the Collateral.

**“Portfolio Improvement Exchange”**: The disposition, during the Replacement Period, of a Collateral Obligation and corresponding acquisition of one or more Collateral Obligations which in the aggregate will result in (a) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Test, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied (or bring the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations closer to compliance with any such test or limitation) or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith would be improved and (b) improving, on a net basis, the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test and Concentration Limitations and (c) in the case of each of clauses (a) and (b), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased.



***“Preference Share Distribution Account”***: A segregated bank account established by the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the benefit of the Issuer pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deposit all amounts received from the Issuer and payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares under the Priority of Payments.

***“Preference Share Documents”***: The Issuer’s Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the resolutions of the Issuer’s board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

***“Preference Share Internal Rate of Return”***: With respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the “XIRR” function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for the following cash flows, assuming all Preference Shares are purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount:

(a) each distribution of Interest Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date and

(b) each distribution of Principal Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date.

***“Preference Shares”***: The Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares.

***“Preference Shares Notional Amount”***: As of the Closing Date, U.S.\$71,400,000 and thereafter as increased each time additional Preference Shares are issued in accordance with the Preference Share Documents.

***“Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement”***: The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, by and between the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

***“Preference Shares Paying Agent”***: Investors Bank & Trust Company, in its capacity as Preference Shares Paying Agent under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter “Preference Shares Paying Agent” shall mean such successor Person.

***“Pricing Amendment”***: The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

***“Principal Balance”***: With respect to:

(a) any Pledged Obligation other than those specifically covered in this definition, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;

(b) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;

(c) any Pledged Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest, zero, except as otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture;

- (d) any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, except as otherwise provided, zero;
- (e) any Collateral Obligation that has been loaned, its Principal Balance shall be reduced by the excess of the amount of collateral required over the actual Market Value of the collateral;
- (f) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance shall include any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount), except as otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture;
- (g) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance shall not include any principal amount of the PIK Security representing previously deferred or capitalized interest; and
- (h) any obligation or security that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, zero.

***"Principal Proceeds"***: With respect to any Due Period, all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are not Interest Proceeds or Refinancing Proceeds; provided that Principal Proceeds shall include any Refinancing Proceeds to the extent such Refinancing Proceeds are not applied to redeem Notes or pay Administrative Expenses of the Co-Issuers related to a Refinancing.

Principal Proceeds shall include any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account into the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.2 and may also include other amounts as expressly provided in Section 10.2(a).

Principal Proceeds do not include the Excluded Property or earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

At any time when an "event of default" under a Securities Lending Agreement has occurred and is continuing, any payments received by the Issuer from the related Securities Lending Collateral shall be Principal Proceeds.

***"Priority Class"***: With respect to any specified Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that ranks senior to that Class, as indicated in Section 13.1.

***"Priority of Payments"***: The meaning specified in Section 11.1(a).

***"Proceeding"***: Any suit in equity, action at law, or other judicial or administrative proceeding.

***"Proposed Portfolio"***: As of any Measurement Date, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations and Principal Proceeds held as Cash on deposit in the Collection Account and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account resulting from the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or a proposed purchase of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

***"Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance"***: For any Collateral Obligation other than Deep Discount Obligations, its Principal Balance; and for any Deep Discount Obligation its Purchase Price; provided, however, that if any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations exist, the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance for the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations shall be the lower of (a) the weighted average

Market Value of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances and (b) the product of (i) 70% and (ii) their respective Principal Balance.

**“Purchase Price”:** With respect to the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (other than any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation), the net purchase price paid by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation. The net purchase price is determined by subtracting from the purchase price the amount of any Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal and any syndication and other upfront fees paid to the Issuer and by adding the amount of any related transaction costs (including assignment fees) paid by the Issuer to the seller of the Collateral Obligation or its agent.

**“Purchase Price Amount”:** With respect to any Collateral Obligation on any date of determination, the product of (a) the Purchase Price (stated as a percentage) thereof and (b) the Principal Balance thereof on such date.

**“QIB/QP”:** Any Person that, at the time of its acquisition of Notes is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser.

**“Qualified Equity Security”:** Any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that is stock or evidence of an interest in or a right to buy stock, or any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation but whose acquisition otherwise is a transaction in stocks or securities within the meaning of Section 864(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Code and the regulations under the Code. Qualified Equity Securities do not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation and that will cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in or having income from a United States trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes by virtue of its ownership or disposition of the obligation (without regard to the Issuer’s other activities).

**“Qualified Institutional Buyer”:** The meaning specified in Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

**“Qualified Purchaser”:** The meaning specified in Section 2(a)(51) of the Investment Company Act and Rule 2a51-2 under the Investment Company Act (including entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers).

**“Ramp-Up Completion Date”:** The earlier of:

- (a) the Business Day after the 90<sup>th</sup> day after the Closing Date, and
- (b) the first date on which the following conditions are satisfied:

- (i) (A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least U.S.\$677,332,536 or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer with proceeds from the sale of the Notes (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be) equals at least U.S.\$677,332,536 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date); and

- (ii) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least U.S.\$677,332,536.

**“Ramp-Up Period”**: The period from and including the Closing Date to and including the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

**“Rating Agency”**: Each of Moody’s and S&P or, with respect to Pledged Obligations generally, if at any time Moody’s or S&P ceases to provide rating services with respect to high yield debt securities, any other nationally recognized statistical rating organization selected by the Issuer and reasonably satisfactory to a Majority of each Class of Notes. If at any time Moody’s ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of Moody’s in this Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and Moody’s published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used. If at any time S&P ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of S&P in this Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and S&P published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used.

**“Rating Condition”**: With respect to any Rating Agency and any action taken or to be taken under this Indenture, a condition that is satisfied when the Rating Agency has confirmed to the Servicer (as agent for the Issuer) in writing that no withdrawal, reduction, suspension, or other adverse action with respect to any then current rating by it (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes will occur as a result of the action. The Rating Condition with respect to any Rating Agency shall be satisfied for all purposes of this Indenture at any time when no Outstanding Notes are rated by it.

**“Rating Confirmation”**: Confirmation in writing from each Rating Agency that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes.

**“Rating Confirmation Failure”**: A failure by the Issuer or the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) to obtain confirmation in writing from S&P and written confirmation from Moody’s that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn its Initial Rating of each Class of Notes and that it has not placed any Class of Notes on credit watch with negative implications by the Business Day after the 29th day after the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

**“Rating Criteria”**: The criteria that will be satisfied on any date with respect to any Holder of Class A-1B Notes during the Delayed Drawdown Period only, if the short-term debt, deposit or similar obligations of such Holder (or its guarantor) are on such date rated at least “P-1” (but not “P-1” on credit watch for downgrade) by Moody’s and “A-1” by S&P (but not “A-1” on credit watch for downgrade).

**“Ratings Matrix”**: The “row/column combination” of the table below selected by the Servicer on the Closing Date to apply initially for purposes of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test. Thereafter, on notice to the Trustee, the Servicer may select a different row of the Ratings Matrix to apply, or may interpolate between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable, on a straight-line basis and round the results to two decimal points.

Minimum Weighted Average Spread	Minimum Diversity Score					
	60	65	70	75	80	85
2.65%	2610	2640	2670	2700	2730	2760
2.75%	2640	2670	2710	2740	2770	2800
2.85%	2670	2710	2740	2770	2810	2850
2.90%	2690	2730	2760	2790	2830	2870
2.95%	2710	2750	2780	2810	2850	2890

3.05%	2740	2780	2820	2860	2900	2930
<b>Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor</b>						

***“Recovery Rate Modifier”***: As of any Measurement Date, the lesser of 60 and the product of:

(a) (i) the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate minus the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test (but not less than zero) multiplied by (ii) 100; and

(b) 40.

***“Record Date”***: As to any Payment Date or Refinancing Date, the 15<sup>th</sup> day (whether or not a Business Day) before the Payment Date.

***“Redemption Date”***: Any Payment Date specified for an Optional Redemption of Notes pursuant to Section 9.2.

***“Redemption Price”***: With respect to any Note and any Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), an amount equal to:

- (a) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of the Note being redeemed, plus
- (b) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest), plus
- (c) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note, plus
- (d) in the case of the Class A-1B Notes, any accrued and unpaid Delayed Drawdown Fee, plus
- (e) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

With respect to any Preference Share and any Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b), “Redemption Price” means (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the *pro rata* portion for such Preference Share of the entire remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications pursuant to the Priority of Payments or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case, as specified in Section 9.2(b).

***“Reference Obligation”***: An obligation that would otherwise satisfy the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and on which a Synthetic Security is based; provided that no Reference Obligation shall be a Synthetic Security.

***“Reference Obligor”***: The obligor of a Reference Obligation.

***“Refinancing”***: The meaning specified in Section 9.8.

***“Refinancing Date”***: The meaning specified in Section 9.8.

***“Refinancing Notes”***: The meaning specified in Section 9.8.

**“Refinancing Price”**: means, with respect to any Class of Notes that is subject to a Refinancing, an amount equal to the Redemption Price therefor.

**“Refinancing Proceeds”**: The proceeds from any Refinancing permitted under Section 9.8.

**“Registered”**: With respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment, means that it is issued after July 18, 1984 and is in registered form within the meaning of Section 881(c)(2)(B)(i) of the Code and the United States Department of the Treasury (**“Treasury”**) regulations promulgated thereunder.

**“Registered Office”**: The registered office of the Issuer, which shall be located outside of the United States.

**“Regulation D”**: Regulation D under the Securities Act.

**“Regulation S”**: Regulation S under the Securities Act.

**“Regulation S Global Note”**: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(b).

**“Regulation S Investor”**: A transferee of a Regulation S Global Note pursuant to Regulation S.

**“Relevant Obligation”**: For a Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security, and otherwise the Collateral Obligation.

**“Replacement Hedge”**: A replacement hedge agreement that qualifies to be a Hedge Agreement under this Indenture.

**“Replacement Notes”**: The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

**“Replacement Period”**: The period from the Closing Date through and including the first to occur of:

(a) the Payment Date after the date that the Servicer notifies the Trustee, each Rating Agency, and the Administrator, in the sole discretion of the Servicer, that, in light of the composition of the Collateral, general market conditions, and other factors, the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations within the foreseeable future would either be impractical or not beneficial,

(b) the Payment Date in February, 2014 or, in the case of an Extension, the Extended Replacement Period End Date,

(c) the Payment Date on which all Notes are to be optionally redeemed or an earlier date after notice of an Optional Redemption chosen by the Servicer to facilitate the liquidation of the Collateral for the Optional Redemption, and

(d) the date on which the Replacement Period terminates or is terminated as a result of an Event of Default (subject to Section 5.2(c)).

**“Repository”**: The internet-based password protected electronic repository of transaction documents relating to privately offered and sold collateralized debt obligation securities located at “www.cdolibrary.com” operated by The Bond Market Association.

**“Required Rating”**: The meaning specified in Section 15.2(b).

**“Required Redemption Percentage”**: With respect to (a) any Optional Redemption resulting from a Tax Event, the Holders of at least 66 2/3% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of any Affected Class or the Holders of at least 66 2/3% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares and (b) any other Optional Redemption, a Majority of the Preference Shares.

**“Retention Overcollateralization Ratio”**: As of any Measurement Date, the ratio obtained by dividing:

- (a) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator *by*
- (b) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes, excluding any Deferred Interest on any Class of Notes.

**“Retention Overcollateralization Test”**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Retention Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 105.2%.

**“Revolving Loan”**: A Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation (in each case excluding any Delayed Drawdown Loan) that requires the Issuer to make future advances to (or for the account of) the borrower under its Underlying Instruments (including any letter of credit for which the Issuer is required to reimburse the issuing bank for under it). A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Revolving Loan for so long as its Commitment Amount is greater than zero.

**“Revolving Reserve Account”**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(b).

**“Rule 3a-7”**: Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act.

**“Rule 144A”**: Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

**“Rule 144A Global Note”**: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(c).

**“Rule 144A Information”**: The meaning specified in Section 7.15.

**“S&P”**: Standard & Poor’s Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc.

**“S&P CDO Monitor”**: A dynamic, analytical computer model developed by S&P (and as may be modified by S&P from time to time) and provided to the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator to be used to calculate the default frequency in terms of the amount of debt assumed to default as a percentage of the original principal amount of the Collateral Obligations consistent with a specified benchmark rating level based on certain assumptions and S&P’s proprietary corporate default studies. For the purpose (and only for the purpose) of applying the S&P CDO Monitor to a portfolio of obligations, for each obligation in the portfolio, the rating of the obligation shall be its S&P Rating.

**“S&P CDO Monitor Test”**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive. The S&P CDO Monitor Test shall be considered to be improved if each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is at least equal to the corresponding Note Class Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio. The S&P CDO Monitor Test is not required to be satisfied or improved upon the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation and the application of the related Sale Proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations as provided in Section 12.1(a). For purposes of the S&P CDO Monitor Test,

(a) the S&P Rating of any S&P Unrated DIP Loan shall be “CCC-” and

(b) the S&P Industry Classification for a Synthetic Security shall be that of the related Reference Obligation and not the Synthetic Security.

**“S&P Excel Default Model Input File”:** An electronic spreadsheet file in Microsoft Excel format to be provided to S&P, which file shall include the following information (to the extent such information is not confidential) with respect to each Collateral Obligation:

(a) the name and country of domicile of the issuer thereof and the particular issue held by the Issuer,

(b) the CUSIP or other applicable identification number associated with such Collateral Obligation,

(c) the par value of such Collateral Obligation,

(d) the type of issue (including, by way of example, whether such Collateral Obligation is a bond, loan or asset-backed security), using such abbreviations as may be selected by the Trustee,

(e) a description of the index or other applicable benchmark upon which the interest payable on such Collateral Obligation is based (including, by way of example, fixed rate, step-up rate, zero coupon and LIBOR),

(f) the coupon (in the case of a Collateral Obligation that bears interest at a fixed rate) or the spread over the applicable index (in the case of a Collateral Obligation that bears interest at a floating rate),

(g) the S&P Industry Classification Group for such Collateral Obligation,

(h) the stated maturity date of such Collateral Obligation,

(i) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation or the issuer thereof, as applicable,

(j) the priority category assigned by S&P to such Collateral Obligation, if available,

(k) such other information as the Trustee may determine to include in such file, and

(l) the principal balance in cash and Eligible Investments.

**“S&P Industry Classification”:** The S&P Industry Classifications in Schedule 3 as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by S&P.

**“S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate”:** As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the number obtained by

(a) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate,

(b) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (a) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations, and



(c) rounding up to the first decimal place.

**“S&P Priority Category”**: Each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of “Applicable Percentage” as an “S&P Priority Category.”

**“S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate”**: For any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of “Applicable Percentage” opposite the S&P Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**“S&P Rating”**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**“S&P Unrated DIP Loan”**: A DIP Loan acquired by the Issuer that does not have a rating assigned by S&P and for which the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P (as specified in the definition of “DIP Loan”).

**“Sale”**: The meaning specified in Section 5.17.

**“Sale Proceeds”**: All proceeds received (including any proceeds received with respect to any associated interest rate swap or security providing fixed annuity payments ) with respect to Collateral Obligations or other Pledged Obligations as a result of their sales or other dispositions less any reasonable expenses expended by the Servicer or the Trustee in connection with the sales or other dispositions, which shall be paid from such proceeds notwithstanding their characterization otherwise as Administrative Expenses.

**“Schedule of Collateral Obligations”**: The Collateral Obligations listed on Schedule 1, which schedule shall include with respect to each listed Collateral Obligation:

- (a) the name of the obligor and a unique Loan or other instrument identifier;
- (b) the Purchase Price;
- (c) the Principal Balance;
- (d) the classification (including whether the Collateral Obligation is a Loan, a High-Yield Bond, a Synthetic Security, a Participation, a Structured Finance Obligation, a Revolving Loan or a Delayed Drawdown Loan);
- (e) the funded amount (stated as a percentage) in respect of a Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or a Delayed Drawdown Loan;
- (f) the coupon or spread (as applicable);
- (g) the Stated Maturity;
- (h) the Moody’s Rating;
- (i) the S&P Rating; and
- (j) the CUSIP and any ISIN, if applicable,

as the schedule may be amended from time to time to reflect the release of Collateral Obligations pursuant to Article 10 and the inclusion of Collateral Obligations as provided in Section 12.2.

**“Scheduled Holding Preference Shares Redemption Date”**: February 1, 2022.

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**“Second Lien Loan”**: A Loan that (a) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinated in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan other than a Senior Secured Loan with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such Loan and (b) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest in or lien on specified collateral securing the obligor’s obligations under the Loan which security interest or lien is not subordinate to the security interest or lien securing any other debt for borrowed money and, which specified collateral does not consist solely of common stock or shares issued by the obligor or any of its Affiliates or intangible assets.

**“Second Trigger Collateral Amount”**: The collateral to be posted by a downgraded Hedge Counterparty as required by Section 15.2(d) and determined by the following table:

<b>Second Trigger Collateral Amounts<sup>1</sup></b>	
<b>Single currency swap, no optionality (<u>excludes</u> transaction-specific hedges, caps, floors &amp; swaptions)</b>	
Daily Posting:	Max[0, next payment, MtM <sup>2</sup> + Min[50 * DV01, 8% * hedge notional]]
Weekly Posting:	Max[0, next payment, MtM <sup>2</sup> + Min[60 * DV01, 9% * hedge notional]]
<b>Single currency transaction-specific hedges, caps, floors &amp; swaptions</b>	
Daily Posting:	Max[0, next payment, MtM <sup>2</sup> + Min[65 * DV01 <sup>3</sup> , 10% * hedge notional]]
Weekly Posting:	Max[0, next payment, MtM <sup>2</sup> + Min[75 * DV01 <sup>3</sup> , 11% * hedge notional]]
<b>Cross-currency swap, no optionality (<u>excludes</u> transaction-specific hedges, caps, floors &amp; swaptions)</b>	
Daily Posting:	Max[0, next payment <sup>4</sup> , MtM <sup>2</sup> + Min[6.00% of hedge notional <sup>6</sup> + 15 * DV016, 9% * hedge notional <sup>5</sup> ]]
Weekly Posting:	Max[0, next payment <sup>4</sup> , MtM <sup>2</sup> + Min[7.00% of hedge notional <sup>6</sup> + 25 * DV016, 10% * hedge notional <sup>5</sup> ]]
<b>Cross-currency transaction-specific hedges, caps, floors &amp; swaptions</b>	
Daily Posting:	Max[0, next payment <sup>4</sup> , MtM <sup>2</sup> + Min[6.00% of hedge notional <sup>6</sup> + 30 * DV01 <sup>3,6</sup> , 11% hedge notional <sup>5</sup> ]]
Weekly Posting:	Max[0, next payment <sup>4</sup> , MtM <sup>2</sup> + Min[7.00% of hedge notional <sup>6</sup> + 40 * DV01 <sup>3,6</sup> , 12% * hedge notional <sup>5</sup> ]]

1. Calculation should be in same currency as that of rated liabilities. However, for certain single-currency hedges addressing asset mismatches only, calculation may be made in the currency of the hedge itself, even where different from that of the rated liabilities.
2. MtM = Mid-market value.
3. “DV01” for transaction-specific hedge uses same assumptions as mid-market value.
4. Excludes exchange of principal.
5. “Hedge Notional” for cross-currency hedge = notional of that leg denominated in same currency as rated liabilities of cashflow transaction.
6. Larger of two DV01’s corresponding to each leg of a cross-currency hedge.

**“Secondary Risk Counterparty”**: Any obligor Domiciled other than in the United States, any Participating Institution, any Synthetic Security Counterparty, and any Securities Lending Counterparty.

**“Secondary Risk Table”**: The table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty		Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
Moody’s	S&P		
Aaa	AAA	20.0%	20.0%
Aa1	AA+	10.0%	10.0%
Aa2	AA	10.0%	10.0%
Aa3	AA-	10.0%	10.0%
A1	A+	5.0%	10.0%
A2 or below	A or below	0.0%	0.0%

If any Secondary Risk Counterparty’s long-term senior unsecured debt rating or short-term rating is on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody’s or S&P, then for the purposes of the table above, its rating by the Rating Agency putting its rating on credit watch shall be one rating notch lower for that Rating Agency.

**“Section 3(c)(7)”**: Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act.

**“Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice”**: A notice from the Issuer to the Noteholders (to be delivered in accordance with Sections 10.6(a) and 10.6(b)) substantially in the form of Exhibit C-1.

**“Secured High-Yield Bond”**: A High-Yield Bond that is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**“Secured Loan”**: A Loan that is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**“Secured Obligations”**: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**“Secured Parties”**: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**“Securities”**: The Notes and the Preference Shares.

**“Securities Act”**: The United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

**“Securities Intermediary”**: Any clearing corporation or any Person, including a bank or broker, that in the ordinary course of its business maintains securities accounts for others and is acting in that capacity.

**“Securities Lending Account”**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(f).

**“Securities Lending Agreements”**: The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**“Securities Lending Collateral”**: The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**“Securities Lending Counterparty”**: The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**“Security Entitlement”**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(17) of the UCC.

**“Selected Collateral Quality Tests”:** The Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Life Test (after taking into consideration any applicable Maturity Extension), the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the Diversity Test.

**“Senior Notes”:** The Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes authorized by, and authenticated and delivered under, this Indenture or any supplemental indenture.

**“Senior Secured High-Yield Bond”:** A Secured High-Yield Bond that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a first priority perfected security interest in collateral that in the opinion of the Servicer has value at least equal to the amount of the High-Yield Bond.

**“Senior Secured Loan”:** A Secured Loan that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a valid first priority perfected security interest in collateral that in the opinion of the Servicer has value at least equal to the amount of the Loan.

**“Senior Servicing Fee”:** A fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.30% per annum of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Senior Servicing Fee shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

**“Senior Unsecured High-Yield Bond”:** A High-Yield Bond that is not (a) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (b) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**“Senior Unsecured Loan”:** A Loan that is not (a) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (b) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**“Servicer”:** Highland Capital Management, L.P., and any successor Servicer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement.

**“Servicer Originated Loans”:** Any Collateral Obligation that is a Loan originated by the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer; provided that for any Servicer Originated Loan that is a Middle Market Loan and is included in the Collateral, the Servicer will not grant any forbearance to the related obligor.

**“Servicing Agreement”:** The Servicing Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Servicer, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**“Servicing Fee Portion”:** 100% minus (a) for any Payment Date from the Closing Date until (and including) the Payment Date occurring in February, 2008, the Class II Preference Share Percentage for such Payment Date and (b) for any other Payment Date, a percentage (between 0% and 100%) selected by the Servicer in its sole discretion and reported to the Trustee in writing on or before the related Determination Date.

**“Servicing Fees”:** Collectively, the Senior Servicing Fee, the Subordinated Servicing Fee and the Supplemental Servicing Fee.

**“Share Trustee”:** Maples Finance Limited.

**“Share Registrar”**: Maples Finance Limited or any successor thereto.

**“Special Redemption”**: The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**“Special Redemption Amount”**: The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**“Special Redemption Date”**: The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**“Spread Excess”**: As of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose:

(a) numerator is the product of:

(i) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date over the Minimum Weighted Average Spread specified in the applicable row of the Ratings Matrix, and

(ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date, and

(b) denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Spread Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Fixed Rate Excess were equal to zero.

**“Standby Investment”**: The meaning specified in Section 10.3(l).

**“Stated Maturity”**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation, the maturity date specified in it or the applicable Underlying Instrument (or, if earlier, the first date on which any Person may be required by the Issuer to repurchase the entire principal amount of the Collateral Obligation at or above par) and with respect to the Notes of any Class, February 1, 2022 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date. Unless otherwise specified, “Stated Maturity” means the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

**“Structured Finance Obligation”**: Any obligation (other than the Notes or any other security or obligation issued by the Issuer):

(a) secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool of receivables or other assets of U.S. obligors, or obligors organized or incorporated in Moody’s Group I Countries, Moody’s Group II Countries, Moody’s Group III Countries or Tax Advantaged Jurisdictions, including portfolio credit default swaps and collateralized debt obligations, but excludes:

- (i) residential mortgage-backed securities;
- (ii) collateralized debt obligations backed by Emerging Market Securities;
- (iii) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by asset-backed securities;
- (iv) market value collateralized debt obligations;
- (v) securities backed by “future flow” receivables;

- (vi) securities backed by “trust preferred securities”;
  - (vii) net interest margin securitizations;
  - (viii) collateralized debt obligations backed primarily by other collateralized debt obligations;
  - (ix) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by one or more credit default swaps (i.e. “synthetic CDOs”); and
  - (x) collateralized debt obligations a significant portion of which are backed by bonds;
- (b) that has an S&P Rating and an S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate;
- (c) that has a rating and a Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate assigned by Moody’s;
- (d) that is Registered; and
- (e) whose ownership or disposition (without regard to the Issuer’s other activities) by the Issuer will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

In connection with the purchase of a Structured Finance Obligation, the Servicer shall obtain from Moody’s the applicable Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate.

For purposes of the Diversity Test, multiple Structured Finance Obligations from CDOs serviced by the same Servicer or multiple Structured Finance Obligations issued by the same master trust will be considered to be obligations of one issuer.

**“Subordinated High-Yield Bond”:** A Secured High-Yield Bond secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**“Subordinated Lien Loan”:** A Secured Loan (other than a Second Lien Loan) secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**“Subordinated Servicing Fee”:** An amount equal to the sum of (a) a fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.25% per annum of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments, (b) on any Payment Date that any part of the Senior Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period plus 3.00% per annum and (c) on any Payment Date that any part of the Subordinated Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period plus 3.00% per annum. The portion of the Subordinated Servicing Fee or Senior Servicing Fee, as applicable, in clauses (a) through (c) above, as applicable, shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

**“Successor Entity”:** The meaning specified in Section 7.10.

**“Super Majority”:** With respect to any Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**“Supplemental Servicing Fee”:** On each Payment Date, the fee payable to the Servicer in an amount equal to: (a) 20.0% of the remaining Interest Proceeds, if any, available after making the distributions on such Payment Date pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(i)(21) and (b) 20.0% of the remaining Principal Proceeds, if any, available for payment in respect of the Supplemental Servicing Fee pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(14)(A) and, if applicable, Section 11.1(a)(ii)(15).

**“Synthetic Security”:** Any swap transaction, structured bond, credit linked note or other derivative financial instrument providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a debt instrument (but excluding any such instrument relating directly to a basket or portfolio of debt instruments) or an index or indices (such as the “SAMI” index published by Credit Suisse First Boston) in connection with a basket or portfolio of debt instruments or other similar instruments entered into by the Issuer with a Synthetic Security Counterparty that has in the Servicer’s commercially reasonable judgment, equivalent expected loss characteristics (those characteristics, “*credit risk*”) to those of the related Reference Obligations (taking account of those considerations as they relate to the Synthetic Security Counterparty), if (a) it is either a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied, and (b) the Reference Obligations thereof have a Market Value equal to at least 85% of the Principal Balance of the Reference Obligation at the time the Synthetic Security is entered into.

The maturity, interest rate, and other non-credit characteristics of a Synthetic Security may be different from the Reference Obligations to which the credit risk of the Synthetic Security relates.

No Synthetic Security shall require the Issuer to make any payment to the Synthetic Security Counterparty after its initial purchase other than any payments represented by the release of any cash collateral posted by the Issuer from the Collection Account to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account simultaneously with the Issuer’s purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of the posted cash collateral. Collateral may be posted only to a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account. No Synthetic Security shall result in the Issuer being a “buyer” of credit protection.

The term Synthetic Security shall not include any Structured Finance Obligation or any Participation, but the Reference Obligation of a Synthetic Security may be a Structured Finance Obligation.

Each Synthetic Security Agreement shall contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those contained in this Indenture.

The ownership or disposition of any Synthetic Security (without regard to the Issuer’s other activities) must not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

Unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any “deliverable obligation” that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any “credit event” under any proposed Synthetic Security must not provide that its transfer to the Issuer is subject to obtaining any consents and must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such “deliverable obligation” is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any “credit event”) as a Collateral Obligation and satisfy the Concentration Limitations under this Indenture, except that such “deliverable obligation” may

constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a “credit event and if the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security is a Senior Secured Loan then the “deliverable obligation” under the Synthetic Security must also be a Senior Secured Loan.

No Synthetic Security may provide for any event other than bankruptcy or a failure to pay as a “credit event” thereunder.

For purposes of the Coverage Tests and the Retention Overcollateralization Test, unless the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied in respect of any proposed alternative treatment, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligation.

With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, for purposes of: (a) calculating compliance with the Diversity Test, the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test, and the Concentration Limitations (other than limits relating to payment characteristics and except for clauses 17 and 17(a) of the definition of “Concentration Limitations”), and all related definitions, and (b) any other provision or definition of this Indenture involving a determination with respect to a Reference Obligation, the characteristics of such Reference Obligations shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each such Reference Obligation in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation. In addition, each Reference Obligation under such Synthetic Security shall be assigned a Moody’s Rating Factor equal to the sum of the Moody’s Rating Factor of (i) the related Reference Obligor, (ii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty of such Synthetic Security and (iii) the Synthetic Security Collateral of such Synthetic Security. In addition, the Moody’s Priority Category Rate in respect of a Synthetic Security referencing multiple Reference Obligations pursuant to this paragraph shall be the Moody’s Priority Category Rate as assigned by Moody’s to each Reference Obligation underlying such Synthetic Security. For the avoidance of doubt, Reference Obligations upon which a Synthetic Security is based as described in this paragraph must meet the definition of “Collateral Obligation” to the extent provided in this definition.

If the Rating Condition must be satisfied to execute the purchase of any Synthetic Security, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall give each applicable Rating Agency not less than 10 days’ prior notice of the purchase of or entry into any Synthetic Security.

**“Synthetic Security Agreement”**: The documentation governing any Synthetic Security.



**“Synthetic Security Collateral”**: With respect to any Synthetic Security, amounts posted to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account by the Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its obligations under the Synthetic Security, including (a) all Eligible Investments or (b) Collateral Obligations that satisfy the Rating Condition, in each case that mature no later than the Stated Maturity, in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account that are purchased with Synthetic Security Collateral.

**“Synthetic Security Collateral Account”**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(e).

**“Synthetic Security Counterparty”**: An entity required to make payments on a Synthetic Security to the extent that a Reference Obligor makes payments on a related Reference Obligation.

**“Synthetic Security Counterparty Account”**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.5.

**“Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction”**: One of the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the Netherlands Antilles or the tax advantaged jurisdiction of the Channel Islands, or such other jurisdiction that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto; *provided* that any Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction (with the exception of the Cayman Islands) must be rated at least “Aa2” by Moody’s.

**“Tax Event”**: An event that occurs if either:

(a) (i) one or more Collateral Obligations that were not subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them have become subject to withholding tax (**“New Withholding Tax Obligations”**) or the rate of withholding has increased on one or more Collateral Obligations that were subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them (**“Increased Rate Withholding Tax Obligations”**) and (ii) in any Due Period, the aggregate of the payments subject to withholding tax on New Withholding Tax Obligations and the increase in payments subject to withholding tax on Increased Rate Withholding Tax Obligations, in each case to the extent not “grossed-up” (on an after-tax basis) by the related obligor, represent 5% or more of Interest Proceeds for the Due Period;

(b) taxes, fees, assessments, or other similar charges are imposed on the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in an aggregate amount in any twelve-month period in excess of U.S.\$2,000,000, other than any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax with respect to any payment owing in respect of any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation or Collateral Obligation; or

(c) if the Issuer is at the time treated as a pass-through entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes, that investors in the Preference Shares who are non-U.S. persons not otherwise subject to U.S. net income tax are or have become subject to U.S. net income taxation in respect of income of the Issuer in an amount in excess of 10.0% of the net income of the Issuer in any twelve-month period.

**“Transaction Documents”**: Collectively, this Indenture, the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

**“Transaction Reports”**: The meaning specified in Section 14.4.

**“Transaction Securities”**: Collectively, the Securities and the Holding Preference Shares.

**“Transfer Agent”**: The Person or Persons, which may be the Issuer, authorized by the Issuer to exchange or register the transfer of Notes.

**“Transferee Certificate”**: A certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B-1, duly completed as appropriate.

**“Treasury Regulations”**: The regulations, including proposed or temporary regulations, promulgated under the Code. References herein to specific provisions of proposed or temporary regulations shall include analogous provisions of final Treasury Regulations or other successor Treasury Regulations.

**“Trust Officer”**: When used with respect to the Trustee, any officer in the Corporate Trust Office (or any successor group of the Trustee) including any director, vice president, assistant vice president, associate, or any other officer of the Trustee customarily performing functions similar to those performed by such officers in the Corporate Trust Office, or to whom any corporate trust matter is referred at the Corporate Trust Office because of his knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject and having direct responsibility for the administration of this Indenture.

**“Trustee”**: As defined in the first sentence of this Indenture.

**“UCC”**: The Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the State of New York, and as amended from time to time.

**“Uncertificated Security”**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(18) of the UCC.

**“Underlying Instrument”**: The loan agreement, indenture, credit agreement, or other agreement pursuant to which a Pledged Obligation has been issued or created and each other agreement that governs the terms of or secures the obligations represented by the Pledged Obligation or of which the holders of the Pledged Obligation are the beneficiaries.

**“Undrawn Amount”**: At any time with respect to any Class A-1B Note, the excess, if any, of (x) the applicable portion of the Fully Drawn Amount relating to such Class A-1B Note over (y) the Drawn Amount under such Class A-1B Note; provided that any funds deposited with the Trustee in the Class A-1B Funding Account as a result of the failure of a Holder of a Class A-1B Note to satisfy the Rating Criteria during the Delayed Drawdown Period pursuant to Section 2.14(c) will for all purposes be part of the Undrawn Amount of such Class A-1B Note and such Holder will be entitled to receive the applicable Delayed Drawdown Fee thereon.

**“Unregistered Securities”**: The meaning specified in Section 5.17(c).

**“Unscheduled Principal Payments”**: Any principal payments received with respect to a Collateral Obligation as a result of optional redemptions, exchange offers, tender offers, other payments or prepayments made at the option of the issuer thereof or that are otherwise not scheduled to be made thereunder.

**“U.S. Person”**: A beneficial owner of a Security that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a citizen or individual resident of the United States of America, an entity treated for United States federal income tax purposes as a corporation or a partnership created or organized in or under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof or the District of Columbia, an estate the income of which is includable in gross income for U.S. federal income tax purposes regardless of its source, or a trust if, in general, a court within the United States of America is able to exercise primary supervision over its

administration and one or more U.S. Persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of such trust, and certain eligible trusts that have elected to be treated as U.S. Persons.

**“Valuation Report”**: The meaning specified in Section 10.6(b).

**“Warehouse Agreement”**: The Master Participation and Warehousing Agreement, dated as of June 21, 2006, by and among the Issuer, the Servicer, HFP, Highland CDO Opportunities Master Fund, L.P., Highland Special Opportunities Holding Company and Bank of America, N.A.

**“Warehoused Loans”**: Loans acquired by the Issuer before the Closing Date pursuant to the Warehouse Agreement.

**“Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon”**: As of any Measurement Date, the rate obtained by

(a) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Fixed Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum rate at which it pays interest (other than, with respect to Collateral Obligations that are not PIK Securities, any interest that is not required to be paid in Cash and may be deferred), using only the effective after-tax interest rate determined by the Servicer on any Fixed Rate Obligation after taking into account any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction and any gross-up paid by the obligor),

(b) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (a),

(c) dividing the sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations that are Fixed Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date, and

(d) if the result obtained in clause (c) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, adding to the sum the amount of any Spread Excess as of the Measurement Date, but only to the extent required to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test.

**“Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test”**: A test that is satisfied if, as of any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 7.5%.

**“Weighted Average Life”**: As of any Measurement Date, the number obtained by

(a) summing the products obtained by multiplying

(i) the Average Life at that time of each Collateral Obligation by

(ii) the Principal Balance at that time of the Collateral Obligation and

(b) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance at that time of all Collateral Obligations.

**“Weighted Average Life Test”**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the greater of (a) the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and May 1, 2016 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date and (b) 2.4 years.

**“Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor”**: The summation of the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation (excluding Eligible Investments) by its

respective Moody's Rating Factor, dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) and rounding the result up to the nearest whole number.

**“Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test”**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 43.88%.

**“Weighted Average Rating Factor Test”**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of such Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor.

**“Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test”**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 52.44%.

**“Weighted Average Spread”**: As of any Measurement Date, a rate obtained by:

(a) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Floating Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum contract spread at which it pays interest (which (i) for PIK Securities for which interest has been deferred or capitalized, will be deemed to be zero and (ii) for Collateral Obligations that would be PIK Securities but for the proviso in the definition thereof, will be deemed to be equal to the effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest applicable thereto), determined with respect to any Floating Rate Obligation that does not bear interest based on a London interbank offered rate, by expressing the current interest rate on the Floating Rate Obligation as a spread above a three month London interbank offered rate calculated in a manner consistent with the calculation of LIBOR,

(b) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (a),

(c) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date, and

(d) if the result obtained in clause (c) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to pass the Weighted Average Spread Test, adding to that sum the amount of Fixed Rate Excess as of the Measurement Date.

For purposes of calculating the Weighted Average Spread, the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall not include any of its unfunded amount.

**“Weighted Average Spread Test”**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread.

**“Workout Assets”**: A Loan, High-Yield Bond, or Qualified Equity Security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation that the Issuer does not advance any funds to purchase that does not qualify as a Collateral Obligation.

**“Written-Down Obligation”**: As of any date of determination, any Structured Finance Obligation as to which the Issuer or the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, has been notified by the issuer of the Structured Finance Obligation that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Structured Finance Obligation and all other Structured Finance Obligations secured by the same pool of collateral that rank *pari passu*

with or senior in priority of payment to the Structured Finance Obligation exceeds the aggregate principal balance (including reserved interest or other amounts available for overcollateralization) of all collateral securing the Structured Finance Obligation and such other *pari passu* and senior Structured Finance Obligations (excluding defaulted collateral).

“**Zero-Coupon Security**”: A security that, at the time of determination, does not make periodic payments of interest. A Zero-Coupon Security shall not include a security that is a PIK Security.

**Section 1.2. Assumptions as to Pledged Obligations; Construction Conventions.**

This Section 1.2 shall be applied in connection with all calculations required to be made pursuant to this Indenture:

- (a) with respect to the scheduled payment of principal or interest on any Pledged Obligation, or any payments on any other assets included in the Collateral,
- (b) with respect to the sale of and acquisition of Collateral Obligations,
- (c) with respect to the income that can be earned on the scheduled payment of principal or interest on the Pledged Obligations and on any other amounts that may be received for deposit in the Collection Account, and
- (d) with respect to the treatment of Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement.

The provisions of this Section 1.2 shall be applicable to any determination or calculation that is covered by this Section 1.2, whether or not reference is specifically made to Section 1.2, unless some other method of calculation or determination is expressly specified in the particular provision.

(i) All calculations with respect to the scheduled payment of principal or interest on the Pledged Obligations shall be made on the basis of information as to the terms of each Pledged Obligation and on reports of payments received on the Pledged Obligation that are furnished by or on behalf of the issuer of the Pledged Obligation and, to the extent they are not manifestly in error, the information or report may be conclusively relied on in making the calculations.

(ii) For each Due Period and as of any Measurement Date, the scheduled payment of principal or interest on any Pledged Obligation shall be the sum of

(A) the total amount of payments and collections reasonably expected to be received during the Due Period in respect of the Pledged Obligation that, if paid as scheduled, will be available for payment on the Notes and of certain expenses of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer in the Collection Account at the end of the Due Period; and

(B) any such amounts received in prior Due Periods that were not disbursed on a previous Payment Date.

Except as provided in paragraph (j) below, a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation shall be assumed to have a scheduled payment of principal and interest of zero.

The total amount of payments and collections reasonably expected to be received includes the proceeds of the sale of the Pledged Obligation received and, in the case of sales which have not yet

settled, to be received during the Due Period and not used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty, Securities Lending Counterparty, or Hedge Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security, Securities Lending Agreement, or Hedge Agreement) or Eligible Investments or retained in the Collection Account for subsequent application thereof to purchase additional Collateral Obligations pursuant to Section 12.2.

(e) For purposes of the applicable determinations required by Article 12 and the definition of "Interest Coverage Ratio," the expected interest on Collateral Obligations shall be calculated using their then current interest rates.

(f) With respect to any Collateral Obligation, the date on which it "matures" (or its "maturity" date) shall be the earlier of

(i) the stated maturity of the obligation or

(ii) if the Issuer has the right to require the issuer or obligor of the Collateral Obligation to purchase, redeem, or retire the Collateral Obligation at a price of at least par on any one or more dates before its Stated Maturity (a "put right") and the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that it will cause the Issuer to direct the Trustee to exercise the put right on a date, the maturity date shall be the date specified in the certification.

(g) For purposes of calculating compliance with the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), the Coverage Tests, and the Retention Overcollateralization Test and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the Reference Obligation. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limits other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligations.

(h) Any Collateral Obligation loaned to a Securities Lending Counterparty shall be included in the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests, and the Retention Overcollateralization Test and the Principal Balance of any Collateral Obligation loaned to a Securities Lending Counterparty shall be included in the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations, in each case unless an "event of default" (under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing.

(i) If a Class of Notes ceases to be Outstanding, then any Coverage Test computed by reference to the Class of Notes (but not to any subordinate Class of Notes then Outstanding) shall cease to be of any force.

(j) For purposes of calculating compliance with the Eligibility Criteria (other than the Weighted Average Life Test), at the direction of the Servicer by notice to the Trustee, during the Replacement Period any Eligible Investment representing Principal Proceeds received upon the maturity, redemption, sale, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation (or, after the Replacement Period, in

respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations) shall be deemed to have the characteristics of the disposed Collateral Obligation until used to purchase an additional Collateral Obligation. The calculations shall be based on the Principal Balance of the disposed Collateral Obligations except in the case of Defaulted Collateral Obligations and Credit Risk Securities, in which case the calculations will be based on the Principal Proceeds received on the disposition or sale of the Defaulted Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation.

(k) The calculation on any Coverage Test on any Determination Date shall be made by giving effect to all payments to be made pursuant to all subclauses of the Priority of Payments as applicable, payable on the Payment Date following such Determination Date. In addition no Principal Proceeds will be used to pay a subordinated Class on a Payment Date if, after giving effect to such payment, any Coverage Test of a more senior Class of Notes is failing on such Payment Date or would fail as a result of such application of the Principal Proceeds on such Payment Date.

### **Section 1.3. Rules of Interpretation.**

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture or unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

- (a) Defined terms include, as appropriate, all genders and the plural as well as the singular.
- (b) References to designated articles, sections, subsections, exhibits, and other subdivisions of this Indenture, such as “Section 6.13 (a),” refer to the designated article, section, subsection, exhibit, or other subdivision of this Indenture as a whole and to all subdivisions of the designated article, section, subsection, exhibit, or other subdivision. The words “herein,” “hereof,” “hereto,” “hereunder,” and other words of similar import refer to this Indenture as a whole and not to any particular article, section, exhibit, or other subdivision of this Indenture.
- (c) Any term that relates to a document or a statute, rule, or regulation includes any amendments, modifications, supplements, or any other changes that may have occurred since the document, statute, rule, or regulation came into being, including changes that occur after the date of this Indenture. References to law are not limited to statutes. Any reference to any Person includes references to its successors and assigns.
- (d) Any party may execute any of the requirements under this Indenture either directly or through others, and the right to cause something to be done rather than doing it directly shall be implicit in every requirement under this Indenture. Unless a provision is restricted as to time or limited as to frequency, all provisions under this Indenture are implicitly available and things may happen from time to time.
- (e) The term “including” and all its variations mean “including but not limited to.” Except when used in conjunction with the word “either,” the word “or” is always used inclusively (for example, the phrase “A or B” means “A or B or both,” not “either A or B but not both”).
- (f) A reference to “a thing” or “any of a thing” does not imply the existence or occurrence of the thing referred to even though not followed by “if any,” and “any of a thing” is any and all of it. A reference to the plural of anything as to which there could be either one or more than one does not imply the existence of more than one (for instance, the phrase “the obligors on a note” means “the obligor or obligors on a note”). “Until something occurs” does not imply that it must occur, and will not be modified by the word “unless.” The word “due” and the word “payable” are each used in the sense that

the stated time for payment has passed. The word “accrued” is used in its accounting sense, i.e., an amount paid is no longer accrued. In the calculation of amounts of things, differences and sums may generally result in negative numbers, but when the calculation of the excess of one thing over another results in zero or a negative number, the calculation is disregarded and an “excess” does not exist. Portions of things may be expressed as fractions or percentages interchangeably. The word “shall” is used in its imperative sense, as for instance meaning a party agrees to something or something must occur or exist.

(g) All accounting terms used in an accounting context and not otherwise defined, and accounting terms partly defined in this Indenture, to the extent not completely defined, shall be construed in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. To the extent that the definitions of accounting terms in this Indenture are inconsistent with their meanings under generally accepted accounting principles, the definitions contained in this Indenture shall control.

(h) In the computation of a period of time from a specified date to a later specified date or an open-ended period, the words “from” and “beginning” mean “from and including,” the word “after” means “from but excluding,” the words “to” and “until” mean “to but excluding,” and the word “through” means “to and including.” Likewise, in setting deadlines or other periods, “by” means “on or before.” The words “preceding,” “following,” “before,” “after,” “next,” and words of similar import, mean immediately preceding or following. References to a month or a year refer to calendar months and calendar years.

(i) Any reference to the enforceability of any agreement against a party means that it is enforceable against the party in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, and other similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors’ rights and to general equity principles.

(j) Except when only the registered holder is recognized, such as in Section 2.9, references to Noteholders, holders, and the like refer equally to beneficial owners who have an interest in a Note but are not reflected in the Indenture Register as the owner.

## **ARTICLE II.**

### **THE NOTES**

#### **Section 2.1. Forms Generally.**

The Notes and the Trustee’s or Authenticating Agent’s certificate of authentication on them (the “*Certificate of Authentication*”) shall be in substantially the forms required by this Article, with appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions, and other variations required or permitted by this Indenture, and may have any letters, numbers, or other marks of identification and any legends or endorsements on them that are consistent with this Indenture, as determined by the Authorized Officers of the Issuer executing the Notes as evidenced by their execution of the Notes.

#### **Section 2.2. Forms of Notes and Certificate of Authentication.**

(a) The Senior Notes, including the Regulation S Global Notes, Rule 144A Global Notes and Certificate of Authentication, shall be in the forms as attached in Exhibit A.

(b) Regulation S Global Notes. The Senior Notes of each Class (other than the Class A-1B Notes during the Delayed Drawdown Period only) sold to non-U.S. persons in off-shore transactions in



reliance on Regulation S shall each be represented by one or more global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit A-1, including legends (the “**Regulation S Global Notes**”). The global notes shall be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for the Senior Notes represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, the Depository for the respective accounts of Euroclear and Clearstream, duly executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided. The aggregate principal amount of the Regulation S Global Notes may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee or the Depository or its nominee, as the case may be, as hereinafter provided. As used above and in Section 2.2(c), “**U.S. person**” and “off-shore transaction” have the meanings assigned to them in Regulation S.

(c) **Rule 144A Global Notes.** The Senior Notes of each Class (other than the Class A-1B Notes during the Delayed Drawdown Period only) initially sold to U.S. persons that are Qualified Institutional Buyers and Qualified Purchasers shall each be issued initially in the form of one permanent global note per Class in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit A-1, including legends (each, a “**Rule 144A Global Note**”), which shall be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for the Senior Notes represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, the Depository, duly executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided. The aggregate principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Notes may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee or the Depository or its nominee, as the case may be, as hereinafter provided.

(d) **Book-Entry Provisions.** This Section 2.2(d) shall apply only to Global Notes deposited with or on behalf of the Depository. The “Operating Procedures of the Euroclear System” of Euroclear and the “Terms and Conditions Governing Use of Participants” of Clearstream, respectively, shall be applicable to the Regulation S Global Notes insofar as interests in the Global Notes are held by the Agent Members of Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be.

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

(e) The Class D Notes shall be sold only to persons that are (i) Institutional Accredited Investors or (ii) Qualified Institutional Buyers and that are both Qualified Purchasers and shall be issued in the form of one or more certificated Class D Notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of Exhibit A-3, including legends (each, a “**Certificated Class D Note**”), which shall be registered in the name of the owner thereof.

(f) During the Delayed Drawdown Period, the Class A-1B Notes will be issued in the form of definitive, physical certificates in fully-registered form without interest coupons attached substantially in the form of Exhibit A-2, including legends (each, a “**Certificated Class A-1B Note**”) which shall be registered in the name of the owner thereof. Following the Delayed Drawdown Period, Certificated Class A-1B Notes held by Qualified Institutional Buyers that are also Qualified Purchasers may be exchanged by their Holder for a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note. Following the Delayed Drawdown

Period, Certificated Class A-1B Notes held by non-U.S. Persons may be exchanged for a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note.

### **Section 2.3. Authorized Amount; Denominations.**

(a) The aggregate principal amount of Notes that may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture is limited to U.S.\$628,600,000, except for Notes authenticated and delivered upon registration of, transfer of, or in exchange for, or in lieu of, other Notes pursuant to Section 2.6, 2.7, or 8.5.

(b) The Notes shall be divided into the following Classes, having the designations, original principal amounts and other characteristics as follows:

Class	A-1A	A-1B	A-2	B	C	D
Original Principal Amount*	U.S.\$388,700,000	U.S.\$75,000,000	U.S.\$51,500,000	U.S.\$68,600,000	U.S.\$23,800,000	U.S.\$21,000,000
Interest Rate**	LIBOR + 0.27%	LIBOR + 0.27%	LIBOR + 0.38%	LIBOR + 0.82%	LIBOR + 1.60%	LIBOR + 3.75%
Initial Rating (Moody's/S&P)	Aaa/AAA	Aaa/AAA	Aaa/AAA	A2/A	Baa2/BBB	Ba2/BB

\* The original principal amount shown above in respect of the Class A-1B Notes is the Fully Drawn Amount for such Class. Except as otherwise provided, for purposes of this Indenture, references to the principal of Class A-1B Notes shall mean the Drawn Amount thereof from time to time.

\*\* The Class A-1B Notes also will be entitled to the Delayed Drawdown Fee on the Aggregate Undrawn Amount of Class A-1B Notes.

(c) The Rule 144A Global Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof for each Class of Senior Notes. The Regulation S Global Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$100,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof for each Class of Senior Notes. The Certificated Class A-1B Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof. The Certificated Class D Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof.

The Issuer will also issue 34,400 Class I Preference Shares and 37,000 Class II Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, simultaneously with the issuance of the Notes under this Indenture. At any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the proceeds from such issuance and sale to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or as otherwise permitted under the Preference Share Documents and this Indenture pursuant to Section 6 of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. The Preference Shares are not secured by the lien of this Indenture. Any payments made by the Trustee hereunder with respect to the Preference Shares (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) will be released by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent on each Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment, subject to Cayman Islands law, to Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends or Redemption Price, as applicable.

#### **Section 2.4. Extension of Replacement Period and Stated Maturity.**

(a) The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Replacement Period to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date up to a maximum of four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date in accordance with this Section 2.4 and (ii) the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.4(c) are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period to the Trustee no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Notes or Preference Shares or amendment or supplement to this Indenture or the Preference Share Documents (the “**Maturity Extension**”); provided that the Issuer will not be permitted to effect more than four Maturity Extensions.

(b) In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Securities wishing to sell such Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to Section 2.4(d) (such Securities (or the related Holding Preference Shares, as applicable) as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, “**Extension Sale Securities**”). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, each Holder providing an Extension Sale Notice shall be deemed to agree that no Extension Sale Securities of any Holder shall be purchased unless all Extension Sale Securities of all Holders are purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date and the other Extension Conditions are satisfied as of such date.

(c) The Maturity Extension shall be effective only if the following conditions (the “**Extension Conditions**”) are satisfied:

(i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the applicable Extension Effective Date;

(ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions in this Indenture, the Preference Share Documents and the Holding Preference Share Documents immediately after such purchase and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency);

(iii) (A) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to S&P (so long as any Notes are then rated by S&P) and (B) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to Moody’s (so long as any Notes are then rated by Moody’s);

(iv) the Issuer has not effected more than three prior Extensions; and

(v) such extension is not effected for the primary purpose of decreasing losses or recognizing gains resulting from market value changes.

The Issuer, the Trustee and, by its acceptance of the Notes, each Noteholder agrees that the Placement Agent shall not be responsible for causing the Extension Conditions to be satisfied and shall

not be liable to any such Person or Noteholders (whether or not such Holder gave an Extension Sale Notice with respect to its Notes) or to any other Person if the Extension Conditions are not satisfied. Failure of the Extension Conditions to be satisfied shall not constitute a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture.

(d) Extension Procedure.

(i) Not later than three Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Issuer of its election to extend the Replacement Period (the “**Extension Notice**”), the Trustee shall mail the Extension Notice to all Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding), in the form of Exhibit E, and shall request the Rating Confirmation for the Maturity Extension from each Rating Agency, if applicable;

(ii) Any Holder of the Securities may deliver an irrevocable notice (an “**Extension Sale Notice**”) to the Issuer and the Trustee within 30 days after the Trustee has mailed the Extension Notice (the “**Extension Sale Notice Period**”) of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Securities or, with respect to Investors Corp., in its capacity as a Holder of the Class I Preference Shares, all or a portion of Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be, to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of the Securities that has not delivered such an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be entitled to sell its Securities or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension; and

(iii) If clause (c)(iii)(A) of the Extension Conditions is not satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date as determined by the Issuer (or its agent), the Trustee shall request the Rating Condition to be satisfied with respect to Moody’s.

(e) On the applicable Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or its agent) shall confirm (i) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Extension Sale Securities in compliance with all transfer restrictions in this Indenture (and in the case of the Class A-1B Notes, the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement), the Preference Share Documents and the Holding Preference Share Documents and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (ii) whether the requirements of clause (c)(iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date and (iii) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

(f) On each Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension shall automatically become effective under the terms of this Indenture; provided that all Extension Conditions set forth in clauses (a) and (c) above are satisfied (as certified to the Trustee by a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer). No later than two Business Days after each Extension Effective Date, the Trustee based on a determination made by the Issuer in consultation with the Servicer, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail a notice to all Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer, the Placement Agent, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) and the Irish Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed thereon) confirming whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension

became effective, the Issuer shall make any required notifications thereof to the Depository for any Notes subject to the Maturity Extension.

(g) In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Noteholder, other than a Holder of Extension Sale Securities, shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment. Holders of Preference Shares shall not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

The Extension Bonus Payment shall be payable to any applicable qualifying beneficial owners who have provided the Trustee with an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification on the first Payment Date from and including each Extension Effective Date on which funds are available to be used for such purposes in accordance with Priority of Payments, but in any event, no later than the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption of the Notes. Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments on a Payment Date shall not be considered "due and payable" hereunder. The failure to pay any such Extension Bonus Payment on such date shall not be an Event of Default, unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Securities. Unpaid Extension Bonus Payments shall not accrue interest.

(h) If any Holder of Class II Preference Shares delivers an Extension Sale Notice notifying the Issuer and the Trustee of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Class II Preference Shares, (i) such Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to Investors Corp. and such Preference Shares will be cancelled and an equivalent number of Class I Preference Shares shall be issued to Investors Corp., (ii) Investors Corp. will issue additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such redesignated Preference Shares purchased by it and (iii) the Extension Qualifying Purchaser will purchase such additional Holding Preference Shares in lieu of such redesignated Preference Shares.

## **Section 2.5. Execution, Authentication, Delivery, and Dating.**

The Notes shall be executed on behalf of each of the Applicable Issuers by one of their respective Authorized Officers. The signature of the Authorized Officer on the Notes may be manual or facsimile.

Notes bearing the manual or facsimile signatures of individuals who were at any time the Authorized Officers of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, shall bind the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, notwithstanding that any of them have ceased to hold their offices before the authentication and delivery of the Notes or did not hold their offices at the date of issuance of the Notes.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Indenture, the Co-Issuers may deliver the Senior Notes and the Issuer may deliver the Class D Notes, in each case executed by the Applicable Issuers to the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent for authentication and the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent, upon Issuer Order, shall authenticate and deliver the Notes as provided in this Indenture and not otherwise.

Each Note authenticated and delivered by the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent upon Issuer Order on the Closing Date shall be dated as of the Closing Date. All other Notes that are authenticated after the Closing Date for any other purpose under this Indenture shall be dated the date of their authentication.

Notes issued upon transfer, exchange, or replacement of other Notes shall be issued in authorized denominations reflecting the original Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes so transferred, exchanged, or replaced, but shall represent only the current outstanding principal amount of the Notes so

transferred, exchanged, or replaced. If any Note is divided into more than one Note in accordance with this Article 2, the original principal amount of the Note shall be proportionately divided among the Notes delivered in exchange for it and shall be the original aggregate principal amount of the subsequently issued Notes.

No Note shall be entitled to any benefit under this Indenture or be valid or obligatory for any purpose, unless there appears on the Note a Certificate of Authentication executed by the Trustee or by the Authenticating Agent by the manual signature of one of their Authorized Officers, and that certificate on any Note shall be conclusive evidence, and the only evidence, that the Note has been duly authenticated and delivered under this Indenture.

## **Section 2.6. Registration, Registration of Transfer and Exchange.**

(a) The Issuer shall cause a register (the “*Indenture Register*”) to be kept in which the Issuer shall provide for the registration of Notes and the registration of transfers of Notes. The Trustee is hereby initially appointed Indenture Registrar for the purpose of registering Notes and transfers of the Notes as provided in this Indenture. The Issuer may rely conclusively on any such information provided to it by the Trustee. Upon any resignation or removal of the Indenture Registrar, the Issuer shall promptly appoint a successor and notify the Servicer of the appointment or, in the absence of such appointment, assume the duties of Indenture Registrar.

If the Issuer appoints a Person other than the Trustee to be Indenture Registrar, the Issuer will give the Trustee prompt written notice of the appointment of the Indenture Registrar and of the location, and any change in the location, of the Indenture Register. The Trustee may inspect the Indenture Register at all reasonable times and obtain copies of it. The Trustee may rely on a certificate executed on behalf of the Indenture Registrar by an Officer of the Indenture Registrar as to the names and addresses of the Noteholders and the principal amounts and number of the Notes.

Upon surrender for registration of transfer of any Notes at the office or agency of the Applicable Issuers to be maintained pursuant to Section 7.2, if the requirements of this Indenture are met the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in the name of the designated transferees, new Notes of any authorized denomination and of a like original Aggregate Outstanding Amount.

At the option of their Holder, Notes may be exchanged for Notes of like terms, in any authorized denominations and of like aggregate principal amount, upon surrender of the Notes to be exchanged at the office or agency of the Applicable Issuers to be maintained pursuant to Section 7.2. Whenever any Note is surrendered for exchange, the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, the Notes that the Noteholder making the exchange is entitled to receive.

All Notes issued on any registration of transfer or exchange of Notes shall be the valid obligations of the Applicable Issuers evidencing the same obligations and entitled to the same benefits under this Indenture as the Notes surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

Every Note presented or surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange shall be duly endorsed, or be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Indenture Registrar duly executed by its holder or his attorney duly authorized in writing.

No Holder shall incur a service charge for any registration of transfer or exchange of the Notes, but the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

(b) No Note may be sold or transferred (including by pledge or hypothecation) unless the sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, is exempt from the registration requirements under applicable state securities laws, and will not cause either of the Co-Issuers to become subject to the requirement that it register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act. None of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee or any other Person shall have any obligation to register the Notes under the Securities Act or any state securities laws.

(c) No Note or interest therein may be transferred to any purchaser or transferee unless such purchase, holding and disposition of such Note will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental or church plan, a violation of any applicable law that is similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code).

(d) None of the Trustee, the Share Registrar or the Indenture Registrar shall be responsible for ascertaining whether any transfer complies with, or for otherwise monitoring or determining compliance with, the requirements or terms of the Securities Act, applicable state securities laws, ERISA, the Code or the Investment Company Act; except that if a certificate or any other document is specifically required by this Section 2.6 to be provided to the Trustee or such Registrar by a prospective transferee, the Trustee and such Registrar, as applicable, shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine whether it conforms substantially on its face to the applicable requirements of this Section 2.6.

(e) For so long as any of the Notes are Outstanding, the Issuer shall not issue or register the transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares to U.S. persons and the Co-Issuer shall not issue or register the transfer of any of its shares of the Co-Issuer to U.S. persons. As used in this Section 2.6(e), “U.S. person” has the meaning assigned to it in Regulation S.

(f) So long as a Global Note remains Outstanding and is held by or on behalf of the Depository, transfers of the Global Note, in whole or in part, shall be subject to the restrictions set forth elsewhere in this Indenture and the following.

(i) Subject to this Section 2.6(f), transfers of a Global Note shall be limited to transfers of the Global Note in whole, but not in part, to nominees of the Depository.

(ii) Regulation S Global Note to Rule 144A Global Note. If the Beneficial Owner of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note wishes at any time to transfer its beneficial interest in such Regulation S Global Note to a Person who wishes to take delivery thereof in the form of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note, such holder may, in addition to complying with all applicable rules and procedures of the Depository and Clearstream or Euroclear applicable to transfers by their respective participants (the “**Applicable Procedures**”), transfer or cause the transfer of such beneficial interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note only upon compliance with the provisions of this Section 2.6(f)(ii). Upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar at its Corporate Trust Office of (A) written instructions given in accordance with the Applicable Procedures from a Depository Participant directing the Indenture Registrar to credit or cause to be credited to another specified Depository Participant’s account a beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note in an amount equal to the denomination of the beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Note to be transferred, (B) a written order given in accordance with the Applicable Procedures containing information regarding the account of the Depository Participant to be credited with, and the account of the Depository Participant (or, if such account is held for Euroclear or Clearstream, the Euroclear or Clearstream account, as the case may be) to be debited for such beneficial interest, and (C) with respect to a transfer of a beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Note for a beneficial interest in the related Rule 144A Global Note

(1) during the Distribution Compliance Period, certificates in the form of both Exhibit B-1 hereto and Exhibit B-2 hereto given by the Beneficial Owner that is transferring such interest, or (2) after the Distribution Compliance Period, a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-1 hereto from the transferee of such interest, the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository to reduce the denomination of the Regulation S Global Note by the denomination of the beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Note to be transferred and, concurrently with such reduction, to increase the denomination of the Rule 144A Global Note by the aggregate denomination of the beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Note to be so transferred, and to credit or cause to be credited to the account of the Person specified in such instructions (who shall be a Depository Participant acting for or on behalf of Euroclear or Clearstream, or both, as the case may be) a beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note having a denomination equal to the amount by which the denomination of the Regulation S Global Note was reduced upon such transfer.

(iii) Rule 144A Global Note to Regulation S Global Note. If a Beneficial Owner of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note wishes at any time to transfer its beneficial interest in such Rule 144A Global Note to a Person who wishes to take delivery thereof in the form of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note, such Beneficial Owner may, in addition to complying with all Applicable Procedures, transfer or cause the transfer of such beneficial interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Note only upon compliance with the provisions of this Section 2.6(f)(iii). Upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar at its Corporate Trust Office of (A) written instructions given in accordance with the Applicable Procedures from a Depository Participant directing the Indenture Registrar to credit or cause to be credited to another specified Depository Participant's account a beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Note in an amount equal to the denomination of the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to be transferred, (B) a written order given in accordance with the Applicable Procedures containing information regarding the account of the Depository Participant (and the Euroclear or Clearstream account, as the case may be) to be credited with, and the account of the Depository Participant to be debited for, such beneficial interest, and (C) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-3 hereto, both given by the Beneficial Owner that is transferring such interest, the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository to reduce the denomination of the Rule 144A Global Note by the denomination of the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to be so transferred and, concurrently with such reduction, to increase the denomination of the Regulation S Global Note by the denomination of the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to be so transferred, and to credit or cause to be credited to the account of the Person specified in such instructions (who shall be a Depository Participant acting for or on behalf of Euroclear or Clearstream, or both, as the case may be) a beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Note having a denomination equal to the amount by which the denomination of the Rule 144A Global Note was reduced upon such transfer.

(iv) Other Exchanges. If Senior Notes that are Global Notes are exchanged for Senior Notes in definitive registered form without interest coupons pursuant to Section 2.11, the Senior Notes may be exchanged for one another only in accordance with procedures substantially consistent with the provisions above (including certification requirements intended to insure that the transfers are made only to Holders who are QIB/QPs or non-U.S. persons, or otherwise comply with Regulation S, as the case may be), and as may be from time to time adopted by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee.

(g) Subject to the restrictions set forth elsewhere in this Indenture, transfers of Class D Notes, in whole or in part, shall be subject to the following:



(i) Transfers of Certificated Class D Notes. Subject to the limitations on transfer set forth in this Indenture, Certificated Class D Notes may be exchanged or transferred for another Certificated Class D Note by a Noteholder by presenting or surrendering such Certificated Class D Notes at the office of the Indenture Registrar, together with an executed instrument of transfer and a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-4 hereto executed by the transferee. In exchange for any Certificated Class D Note properly presented for transfer with all necessary accompanying documentation, the Trustee will, upon execution by the Issuer, authenticate and deliver at the Corporate Trust Office or the office of the transfer agent as the case may be, to the transferee or send by first-class mail at the risk of the transferee to such address as the transferee may request, a Certificated Class D Note, for a like principal amount as may be requested. The presentation for transfer of any Certificated Class D Notes will not be valid unless made at the Corporate Trust Office or at the office of a transfer agent by the registered Holder in person, or by a duly authorized attorney-in-fact. The Holder of a Certificated Class D Note will not be required to bear the costs and expenses of effecting any transfer or registration of transfer, except that the relevant Holder will be required to bear (A) the expenses of delivery by other than regular mail (if any) and (B) if the Issuer so requires, the payment of a sum sufficient to cover any duty, stamp tax or governmental charge or insurance charges that may be imposed in relation thereto.

(ii) So long as the Class D Notes remain Outstanding, transfers of such Class D Notes shall only be made in accordance with Section 2.6(c) and the requirements of Section 2.6(g)(i) and upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of (A) appropriate documentation required under the Code and the applicable Treasury regulations establishing that the beneficial owner of the Class D Notes to be transferred is either not a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-8BEN or an IRS Form W-8IMY with appropriate attachments) or is a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-9) and (B) if such beneficial owner of Class D Notes to be transferred is treated as a partnership, S-corporation or grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes (as indicated on the transfer certificate delivered in the form of Exhibit B-4), a written representation from such beneficial owner that (1) there will not be any interests in such beneficial owner where substantially all of the value of such interest is attributable to the value of the Class D Notes proposed to be transferred to such beneficial owner, together with the value of any Class D Notes, Holding Preference Shares and Preference Shares already held by such beneficial owner and (2) such beneficial owner is not a part of any arrangement a principal purpose of which is to cause the Class D Notes and Preference Shares to be treated as owned by 100 persons or less within the meaning of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h). In addition, neither the Trustee nor the Issuer shall recognize any transfers of Class D Notes, and any such proposed transfer shall be null and void, if (a) the proposed transfer will cause the Issuer to have more than ninety-nine beneficial owners (as determined by the Issuer for purposes of the provisions of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h)) of its Class D Notes and Preference Shares unless it receives the consent of all of the Holders of the Preference Shares and an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that Holders of the Notes will not recognize gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such transfer, and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such transfer had not been made or (b) such transfer was made pursuant to a trade on an Established Securities Market. The Trustee shall contact the Preference Shares Paying Agent to request, and shall be entitled to rely upon the information it receives from the Preference Shares Paying Agent to determine the number of beneficial owners of the Preference Shares. The Trustee shall provide, upon request by the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the number of beneficial owners of the Class D Notes referenced on, and in reliance upon, the transfer certificates received pursuant to the terms of this Indenture.

(iii) No person shall be permitted to acquire any Class D Note if such acquisition would result in persons who have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of the Class D Notes immediately after such sale or transfer (excluding for purposes of such determination any Class D Notes held by any Controlling Person and its affiliates determined in accordance with the Plan Asset Regulation).

(h) Subject to the restrictions set forth elsewhere in this Indenture, transfers of Certificated Class A-1B Notes, in whole or in part, shall be subject to the following:

(i) Transfers between Certificated Class A-1B Notes. Subject to the limitations on transfer set forth in this Indenture and the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement, Certificated Class A-1B Notes may be exchanged or transferred for another Certificated Class A-1B Note by a Noteholder by presenting or surrendering such Certificated Class A-1B Notes at the office of the Indenture Registrar, together with an executed assignment and acceptance in the form attached as Exhibit B to the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement executed by the transferee. In exchange for any Certificated Class A-1B Note properly presented for transfer with all necessary accompanying documentation, the Trustee will, upon execution by the Issuer, authenticate and deliver at the Corporate Trust Office or the office of the transfer agent as the case may be, to the transferee or send by first-class mail at the risk of the transferee to such address as the transferee may request, a Certificated Class A-1B Note, for a like principal amount as may be requested. The presentation for transfer of any Certificated Class A-1B Notes will not be valid unless made at the Corporate Trust Office or at the office of a transfer agent by the registered Holder in person, or by a duly authorized attorney-in-fact. The Holder of a Certificated Class A-1B Note will not be required to bear the costs and expenses of effecting any transfer or registration of transfer, except that the relevant Holder will be required to bear (A) the expenses of delivery by other than regular mail (if any) and (B) if the Issuer so requires, the payment of a sum sufficient to cover any duty, stamp tax or governmental charge or insurance charges that may be imposed in relation thereto.

(ii) Subject to the restrictions on transfer set forth in this Indenture and the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement, following the first Payment Date, any of the Certificated Class A-1B Notes held by a Holder who is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser may be exchanged for a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note pursuant to this Section 2.6 and may be transferred thereafter in the form of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note to a Person who is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser, provided that any remaining principal amount of the transferor's interest in the Rule 144A Global Note shall either equal zero or meet the required minimum denominations.

(iii) Subject to the restrictions on transfer set forth in this Indenture and the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement, following the first Payment Date, any of the Certificated Class A-1B Notes held by a Holder who is not a U.S. Person may be exchanged for a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note pursuant to this Section 2.6 and may be transferred thereafter in the form of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note to a non-U.S. Person in an offshore transaction in reliance on Regulation S, provided that any remaining principal amount of the transferor's interest in the Regulation S Global Note shall either equal zero or meet the required minimum denominations.

(i) If the Notes are issued upon the transfer, exchange, or replacement of Notes bearing the applicable legends in the applicable forms in Exhibit A, as applicable, and if a request is made to remove the legend on the Notes, the legend shall not be removed unless the Trustee and the Applicable Issuers received satisfactory evidence, which may include an Opinion of Counsel acceptable to them, reasonably

required by the Applicable Issuers (and which shall by its terms permit reliance by the Trustee), to the effect that neither the legend nor the restrictions on transfer in it are required to ensure that transfers of the Notes comply with the Securities Act, the Investment Company Act, ERISA and the Code. Upon provision of satisfactory evidence, the Trustee or its Authenticating Agent, at the written direction of the Applicable Issuers shall, after due execution by the Applicable Issuers authenticate and deliver Notes that do not bear the applicable legend.

(j) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Section 2.6 to the contrary:

(i) Restrictions on U.S. Transfers. Transfers of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note that are not made in an offshore transaction pursuant to Regulation S or are made to U.S. Persons, if such transferees take delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note shall be limited to transfers made pursuant to the provisions of Sections 2.6(f)(ii), 2.6(f)(iv).

(ii) Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may only be held through Euroclear or Clearstream.

(k) Each Person who becomes a beneficial owner of a Senior Note evidenced by an interest in a Definitive Note, shall make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in the applicable Transferee Certificate set forth in Exhibit B-1 upon such Person's purchase or other acquisition of the relevant Definitive Note. Each Person who becomes a beneficial owner of a Senior Note evidenced by an interest in a Global Note, shall be deemed to make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in the Transferee Certificate set forth in Exhibit B-1 hereto upon such Person's purchase or other acquisition of the relevant Global Note. No transfer of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note to a Definitive Note shall be made except (i) prior to the expiration of the Distribution Compliance Period and (ii) in compliance with the certification requirements of Rule 903(b)(3)(ii)(B) under the Securities Act.

(l) The aggregate principal amount of any Global Note may be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee, as custodian for DTC for the Global Note, which adjustments shall be conclusive as to the aggregate principal amount of any Global Note.

(m) Until the end of the Delayed Drawdown Period, transfers of beneficial interests in Class A-1B Notes will be permitted only to transferees that satisfy the Rating Criteria. In addition to the requirements of this Indenture, all transfers of Class A-1B Notes shall be made in accordance with the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement if then in effect.

(n) Any purported transfer of a Note not in accordance with this Section 2.6 shall be null and void.

## **Section 2.7. Mutilated, Destroyed, Lost or Stolen Notes.**

If the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, and the relevant Transfer Agent receive evidence to their satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of any Note, and they receive the security or indemnity they require to hold each of them harmless, or if any mutilated Note is surrendered to a Transfer Agent, then, in the absence of notice to the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, or the Transfer Agent that the Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the Applicable Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in exchange for the mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Note, a replacement Note, of like tenor and equal principal or face amount.

If, after delivery of the replacement Note or payment on it, a protected purchaser of the predecessor Note presents it for payment, transfer, or exchange, the Applicable Issuers, the Transfer Agent, and the Trustee may recover the replacement Note (or the payment on it) from the Person to whom it was delivered or any Person taking the replacement Note from the Person to whom the replacement Note was delivered or any assignee of that Person, except a protected purchaser, and may recover on the security or indemnity provided therefor to the extent of any loss, damage, cost, or expense incurred by the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, and the Transfer Agent in connection with it.

If the final payment in respect of any mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Note has become payable, the Applicable Issuers in their discretion may, instead of issuing a new Note pay the Note without requiring its surrender except that any mutilated Note shall be surrendered.

Upon the issuance of any new Note under this Section 2.7, the Applicable Issuers or the Trustee may require the payment by its holder of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with the issuance and any other expenses (including the fees and expenses of the Trustee) connected with it.

Every new Note issued pursuant to this Section 2.7 in replacement for any mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Note shall be an original additional contractual obligation of the Applicable Issuers and the new Note shall be entitled to all the benefits of this Indenture equally and proportionately with all other Notes of the same Class duly issued under this Indenture, as applicable.

The provisions of this Section 2.7 are exclusive and shall preclude (to the extent lawful) all other rights with respect to the replacement or payment of mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Notes.

**Section 2.8. Payment of Principal and Interest and Other Amounts; Principal and Interest Rights Preserved; Withholding.**

(a) The Notes of each Class (other than, with respect to the first Interest Period only, the Class A-1B Notes) shall accrue interest during each Interest Period on their Aggregate Outstanding Amount and the Class A-1B Notes shall accrue interest during the first Interest Period on their Drawn Amount and any Interest Period thereafter on their Aggregate Outstanding Amount (determined as of the first day of the Interest Period and after giving effect to any redemption or other payment of principal occurring on that day) at the Applicable Note Interest Rate. Interest shall be payable in arrears on each Payment Date. Payment of interest on each Class of Notes shall be subordinated to the payments of interest on the related Priority Classes and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Delayed Drawdown Fee on the Class A-1B Notes shall accrue as specified in the definition thereof and will be payable in arrears on the first Payment Date. To the extent the Delayed Drawdown Fee is not paid in full on the first Payment Date, interest shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for the Class A-1B Notes on such accrued and unpaid Delayed Drawdown Fee as specified in the definition thereof and such unpaid Delayed Drawdown Fee and the interest thereon shall be payable in arrears on each Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments until paid in full.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of interest due on the Class of Deferred Interest Notes that is not available to be paid ("**Deferred Interest**") in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered "payable" for the purposes of this Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Interest shall cease to accrue on each Note, or in the case of a partial repayment, on the part repaid, from the date of repayment or its Stated Maturity unless payment of principal is improperly withheld or unless there is some other default with respect to the payments of principal.

To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for the Class and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest, until paid as provided in this Indenture.

(b) The principal of each Note of each Class matures at par and is payable on the Payment Date that is the Stated Maturity for the Class of Notes, unless the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable at an earlier date by declaration of acceleration, refinancing, call for redemption, or otherwise. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the payment of principal of each Class of Notes:

(i) may only occur after principal on each Class of Notes that is a Priority Class with respect to the Class has been paid in full; and

(ii) is subordinated to the payment on each Payment Date of the principal and interest payable on the Priority Classes, and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments;

provided that, notwithstanding the foregoing, Interest Proceeds may be used to pay principal of the Class D Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class D Coverage Tests.

(c) Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Section 9.1.

(d) As a condition to the payment of principal of and interest on any Note without the imposition of U.S. withholding tax, the Paying Agent shall require the previous delivery of appropriate properly completed and signed original forms United States federal income tax certifications (generally, an Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a Person that is a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code or an appropriate Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a Person that is not a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) or any other certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, and any Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments on the Note under any present or future law of the United States or any present or future law of any political subdivision of the United States or taxing authority in the United States or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under any such law.

(e) Payments in respect of interest on and principal of any Note shall be made by the Trustee, or by the Irish Paying Agent, if applicable, in U.S. Dollars to the Depository or its designee with respect to a Global Note and to the Holder or its nominee with respect to a Definitive Note and a Class D Note, by wire transfer, as directed by the Holder, in immediately available funds to a U.S. Dollar account maintained by the Depository or its nominee with respect to a Global Note, and to the Holder or its designee with respect to a Definitive Note and a Class D Note. In the case of a Definitive Note and a Class D Note, its Holder has provided written wiring instructions to the Trustee and, if the payment with respect to a Definitive Note is to be made by the Irish Paying Agent, the Irish Paying Agent, on or before the related Record Date.

If appropriate instructions for the wire transfer are not received by the related Record Date, then the payment will be made by check drawn on a U.S. bank mailed to the address of the Holder in the Indenture Register. Upon final payment due on the Maturity of a Note, its Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the office designated by the Trustee on or before the Maturity. If the Trustee and the Applicable Issuers have been furnished the security or indemnity they require to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the certificate, then, in the absence of notice to the Applicable Issuers or the Trustee that the applicable Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender. Neither the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Share Registrar nor any Paying Agent shall have any responsibility or liability for any aspects of the records maintained by Euroclear, Clearstream, or any of the Agent Members relating to or for payments made thereby on account of beneficial interests in a Global Note.

In the case where any final payment of principal and interest is to be made on any Note (other than on its Stated Maturity and except as otherwise provided in this Indenture), the Trustee, in the name and at the expense of the Applicable Issuers shall, not more than 30 nor less than 10 days before the date on which the payment is to be made, mail (by first-class mail, postage prepaid) to the Persons entitled thereto at their addresses appearing on the Indenture Register, a notice specifying the date on which the payment will be made, the amount of the payment per U.S.\$100,000 original principal amount of Notes and the place where the Notes may be presented and surrendered for payment. If the Trustee and the Issuer have been furnished any security or indemnity they require to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the certificate, then, in the absence of notice to the Issuer or the Trustee that the applicable certificate has been acquired by a protected purchaser, final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender of the applicable certificate.

(f) Payments of principal to Holders of the Notes of each Class shall be made in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes of the Class registered in the name of each Holder on the applicable Record Date bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Notes of the Class on the Record Date.

(g) Interest accrued shall be calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in the applicable Interest Period divided by 360.

(h) All reductions in the principal amount of a Note (or one or more predecessor Notes) effected by payments of installments of principal made on any Payment Date or Redemption Date shall be binding on all future Holders of the Note and of any Note issued upon the registration of its transfer, exchange, or replacement, whether or not the payment is noted on the Note.

(i) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the obligations of the Applicable Issuers under the Notes and under this Indenture are limited recourse obligations of the Applicable Issuers payable solely from the Collateral and following realization of the assets, application of their proceeds in accordance with this Indenture and the reduction of the proceeds of the Collateral to zero, all obligations of, and any claims against, the Co-Issuers under this Indenture or under the Notes or arising in connection therewith shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. No recourse shall be had against any Officer, director, employee, shareholder, or incorporator of either of the Co-Issuers or their respective successors or assigns for any amounts payable under the Notes or this Indenture. The foregoing provisions of this Section 2.8(i) shall not (i) prevent recourse to the Collateral for the sums due or to become due under any security, instrument, or agreement that is part of the Collateral or (ii) be a waiver, release, or discharge of any indebtedness or obligation evidenced by the Notes or secured by this Indenture until the Collateral have been realized. The foregoing provisions of this Section 2.8(i) shall not limit the right of any Person to name the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as a party defendant in any Proceeding or in the exercise of any other remedy under the Notes or this Indenture, so long as no judgment in the

nature of a deficiency judgment or seeking personal liability is sought or (if obtained) enforced against the person.

(j) If any withholding tax is imposed on the Issuer's payment (or allocations of income) under the Notes to any Noteholder, the tax shall reduce the amount otherwise distributable to the Noteholder. The Trustee is hereby authorized and directed to retain from amounts otherwise distributable to any Noteholder sufficient funds for the payment of any tax that is legally owed, or required by law to be collected, by or on behalf of the Issuer (but the authorization shall not prevent the Trustee or the Issuer from contesting any such tax in appropriate proceedings and withholding payment of the tax, if permitted by law, pending the outcome of the proceedings). The amount of any withholding tax imposed with respect to any Noteholder shall be treated as Cash distributed to the Noteholder when it is withheld by the Trustee and remitted to the appropriate taxing authority. If there is a possibility that withholding tax is payable with respect to a distribution, the Trustee may in its sole discretion withhold the amounts in accordance with this Section 2.8(j). If any Noteholder wishes to apply for a refund of any such withholding tax, the Trustee shall reasonably cooperate with the Noteholder in making the claim by providing information readily available to the Trustee so long as the Noteholder agrees to reimburse the Trustee for any out-of-pocket expenses incurred and provides the Trustee with security reasonably acceptable to the Trustee assuring the reimbursement. The Trustee hereby provides notice to each Noteholder that the failure by the Noteholder to provide the Trustee with appropriate tax certifications may result in amounts being withheld from payments to the Noteholder. Nothing in this Indenture shall impose an obligation on the part of the Trustee to determine the amount of any tax or withholding obligation on the part of the Issuer or in respect of the Notes.

#### **Section 2.9. Persons Considered Owners.**

The Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, and any agent of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee may treat as the owner of the Note the Person in whose name any Note is registered on the Indenture Register on the applicable Record Date for the purpose of receiving payments on the Note and on any other date for all other purposes whatsoever (whether or not the Note is overdue), and neither the Issuer, the Co-Issuer nor the Trustee nor any agent of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee shall be affected by notice to the contrary. Pursuant to the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will notify the Trustee, the Share Registrar and the Holding Share Registrar of any Affiliate of the Servicer that owns any of the Transaction Securities.

#### **Section 2.10. Cancellation.**

All Notes surrendered for payment, registration of transfer, exchange, or redemption, or lost or stolen, shall be promptly canceled by the Trustee and may not be reissued or resold. No Notes shall be authenticated in lieu of or in exchange for any Notes canceled as provided in this Section 2.10, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture. All canceled Notes held by the Trustee shall be destroyed by the Trustee in accordance with its standard policy unless the Applicable Issuers direct by an Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee prior to cancellation and destruction that they be returned to the Issuer.

#### **Section 2.11. Definitive Notes.**

(a) A Global Note deposited with the Depository pursuant to Section 2.2 shall be transferred in the form of a Definitive Note to its beneficial owners only if the transfer complies with Section 2.6 and either

(i) the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as Depository for the Global Note or

(ii) if at any time the Depository ceases to be a Clearing Agency registered under the Exchange Act and, in each case, a successor depository is not appointed by the Co-Issuers within 90 days after the notice.

(b) Any Global Note that is transferable in the form of a Definitive Note to its beneficial owners pursuant to this Section 2.11 shall be surrendered by the Depository to the office of the Trustee's agent located in the City of New York, New York as specified in Section 7.2 (or any other office designated by the Trustee) to be so transferred, in whole or from time to time in part, without charge, and the Applicable Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, upon the transfer of each portion of the Global Note, an equal aggregate principal amount of definitive physical certificates (pursuant to the instructions of the Depository) (each, a "**Definitive Note**") in authorized denominations. Any Definitive Note delivered in exchange for an interest in a Global Note, as applicable, shall, except as otherwise provided by Section 2.6(k), bear the legends in the applicable portion of Exhibit A and shall be subject to the transfer restrictions referred to in the legends.

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

(d) Upon the occurrence of either of the events specified in Sections 2.11(a)(i) and 2.11(a)(ii), the Co-Issuers shall promptly make available to the Trustee a reasonable supply of Definitive Notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons.

The Definitive Notes shall be in substantially the same form as the Global Notes, with any changes the Issuer and Trustee agree to and the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in exchange therefor, the same aggregate principal amount of Definitive Notes of authorized denominations.

## **Section 2.12. Notes Beneficially Owned by Non-Permitted Holders.**

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary elsewhere in this Indenture, (i) any transfer of a beneficial interest in any Global Note to a U.S. person (for purposes of this Section 2.12 as defined in Regulation S) that is not a QIB/QP and that is not made pursuant to an applicable exemption under the Securities Act and (ii) any transfer of a beneficial interest in any Class D Note to a Person that is not a QIB/QP, shall be void and any such purported transfer of which the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee has notice may be disregarded by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Trustee for all purposes.

(b) After discovery by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee (and notice by the Trustee or the Co-Issuer to the Issuer, if either of them makes the discovery) that a Person is a Non-Permitted Holder, the Issuer shall promptly send notice to the Non-Permitted Holder demanding that the Non-Permitted Holder transfer its interest to a Person that is not a Non-Permitted Holder within 30 days of the date of the notice. If the Non-Permitted Holder fails to so transfer its Notes or interest in the Notes without further notice to the Non-Permitted Holder, the Issuer may sell the Notes or interest in the Notes to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is not a Non-Permitted Holder on any terms the Issuer chooses. The Issuer, or the Trustee acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting bids (or by appointing an investment bank at the expense of the Issuer to solicit bids) from brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Notes, and selling the Notes, or interest in the Notes to the highest bidder. However, the Issuer or the Trustee may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Note, the beneficial owner of each interest in a Note, the Non-Permitted Holder, and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder or beneficial owner to the Non-Permitted Holder, by its acceptance of an interest in the Notes agrees to



cooperate with the Issuer and the Trustee to effect the transfers. The proceeds of the sale, net of any commissions, expenses of the Trustee or otherwise, and taxes due in connection with the sale shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted Holder. The terms of any sale under this subsection shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer (or the Trustee acting on its behalf), and the Issuer and the Trustee shall not be liable to any Person having an interest in the Notes sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of its discretion.

### **Section 2.13. Tax Purposes**

The Issuer agrees, and each Holder and each beneficial owner of a Note, by acceptance of its Note or its interest in a Note, as the case may be, shall be deemed to have agreed, to treat, and shall treat, such Note as unconditional debt of the Issuer for tax, accounting and financial reporting purposes.

### **Section 2.14. Drawdowns Under the Class A-1B Notes**

(a) On any Business Day during the Delayed Drawdown Period, the Co-Issuers may draw down amounts under the Class A-1B Notes (together with amounts paid by Holders of Class A-1B Notes on the Closing Date, each a “**Drawdown**”) at the direction of the Servicer acting pursuant to the Servicing Agreement; provided, in each case that (i) each applicable condition to such Drawdown specified in Section 3 of the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement is satisfied on the date of such Drawdown (a “**Drawdown Date**”) and (ii) in no event may the aggregate amount of Drawdowns outstanding under the Class A-1B Notes exceed the Fully Drawn Amount.

(b) Notice of any Drawdown shall be given by the Issuer (or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer acting pursuant to the Servicing Agreement) to the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Servicer and the Trustee in accordance with the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement.

(c) If any Holder of Class A-1B Notes shall at any time during the Delayed Drawdown Period fail to satisfy the Rating Criteria, the Issuer will enforce its rights under the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement to require such Holder to fund the full undrawn amount of its Commitment into a reserve account.

## **ARTICLE III.**

### **CONDITIONS PRECEDENT**

#### **Section 3.1. Conditions to Issuance of Notes on Closing Date.**

(a) The Notes to be issued on the Closing Date shall be executed by the Applicable Issuers and delivered to the Trustee for authentication and thereupon the same shall be authenticated and delivered by the Trustee upon Issuer Order and upon receipt by the Trustee of the following:

(i) Officers’ Certificates of the Co-Issuers Regarding Corporate Matters. An Officer’s certificate of each of the Co-Issuers:

(A) evidencing (1) the authorization by Board Resolution of the execution and delivery of this Indenture, the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement and the Placement Agency Agreement and, in the case of the Issuer, the Servicing Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Hedge Agreements being entered into on or before the Closing Date (if any), and related transaction documents and (y) the execution, authentication and

delivery of the Notes applied for by it and specifying the Stated Maturity, principal amount and the Note Interest Rate of each applicable Class of Notes to be authenticated and delivered and (2) with respect to the Issuer only, evidencing the authorization by Board Resolution of the issuance, terms and number of Preference Shares issued on the Closing Date, and that each of the foregoing is in accordance with the terms of the Board Resolution, and

(B) certifying that (1) the attached copy of the Board Resolution is an accurate copy, (2) the resolutions have not been rescinded and are in full force on and as of the Closing Date and (3) the Officers authorized to execute and deliver the documents hold the offices and have the signatures indicated on the documents.

(ii) Governmental Approvals. From each of the Co-Issuers either:

(A) a certificate of the Applicable Issuer or other official document evidencing the due authorization, approval or consent of any governmental bodies, at the time having jurisdiction in the premises, together with an Opinion of Counsel of the Applicable Issuer that no other authorization, approval or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of the Notes applied for by it, or

(B) an Opinion of Counsel of the Applicable Issuer that no authorization, approval, or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of the Notes except as have been given; provided that the opinions of Dechert LLP and Maples and Calder, respectively, shall satisfy this clause (B).

(iii) Co-Issuers' and Servicer's U.S. Counsel Opinion. Opinions of Dechert LLP, special U.S. counsel to the Co-Issuers, an opinion of Pepper Hamilton, LLP, special Delaware counsel to the Co-Issuer and an opinion of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, counsel to the Servicer, dated the Closing Date.

(iv) Issuer's Cayman Counsel Opinion. An opinion of Maples and Calder, Cayman Islands counsel to the Issuer, dated the Closing Date.

(v) Trustee's Counsel Opinion. An opinion of Nixon Peabody, LLP, counsel to the Trustee, dated the Closing Date.

(vi) Officers' Certificates of Co-Issuers Regarding Indenture. An Officer's certificate of each of the Co-Issuers stating that, to the best of the Officer's knowledge,

(A) the Applicable Issuer is not in default under this Indenture and that the issuance of the Notes applied for by it will not result in a default or a breach of, or be a default under, its organizational documents, any indenture or other agreement or instrument to which it is a party or by which it is bound, or any order of any court or administrative agency entered in any Proceeding to which it is a party or by which it may be bound or to which it may be subject;

(B) all conditions precedent in this Indenture relating to the authentication and delivery of the applicable Notes have been complied with; and

(C) all expenses due or accrued with respect to the Offering or relating to actions taken on or in connection with the Closing Date have been paid or reserves therefor have been made.

The Officer's certificate of the Issuer shall also state that, to the best of the Officer's knowledge, all of its representations and warranties contained in this Indenture are accurate as of the Closing Date.

(vii) Hedge Agreements. Executed copies of the Hedge Agreements being entered into on or entered into before the Closing Date, if any.

(viii) Servicing Agreement. Executed copy of the Servicing Agreement.

(ix) Preference Shares. Copies of executed Preference Share certificates to be issued on the Closing Date.

(x) Preference Share Documents. An executed counterpart of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

(xi) Collateral Administration Agreement. Executed copy of the Collateral Administration Agreement.

(xii) Grant of Collateral Obligations. Evidence of the Grant pursuant to the Granting Clauses of this Indenture of all of the Issuer's interest in the Collateral Obligations pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, on the Closing Date and Delivery of the Collateral Obligations (including any promissory notes and all other Underlying Instruments related to them to the extent received by the Issuer) to the Trustee or the Custodian as contemplated by Section 3.2.

(xiii) Certificate of the Servicer. A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, in the case of each Collateral Obligation pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, as the case may be, on the Closing Date and immediately before the delivery of the Collateral Obligation on the Closing Date:

(A) the "row/column combination" of the table appearing in the definition of "Ratings Matrix" selected by the Servicer on the Closing Date;

(B) the information with respect to the Collateral Obligation in the Schedule of Collateral Obligations is correct; and

(C) the Collateral Obligation satisfies the requirements of the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and of Section 3.1(xx)(B);

(xiv) Rating Letters. An Officer's certificate of the Issuer to the effect that attached is an accurate copy of a letter signed by each Rating Agency and confirming that each Class of Notes rated by the Rating Agency has been assigned the applicable Initial Rating and that the ratings are in full force on the Closing Date.

(xv) Accounts. Evidence that each of the Accounts has been established.

(xvi) Issuer Order for Deposit of Funds into Accounts. An Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, authorizing the deposit of at least U.S.\$105,000,000 into the Collection Account for use pursuant to Section 7.19, the deposit of approximately U.S.\$14,900,000 into the Closing Date Expense Account for use pursuant to Section 10.3(g) and the deposit of approximately U.S.\$5,600,000 into the Interest Reserve Account for use pursuant to Section 10.3(j).

(xvii) Irish Listing. An Officer's certificate of the Issuer to the effect that application has been made to the Irish Stock Exchange to admit the Senior Notes to the Daily Official List.

(xviii) Issuer Order for Authentication of Notes. An Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, directing the Trustee to authenticate and deliver the Notes in the amounts, in the registered names and with the CUSIP numbers in the Issuer Order.

(xix) Accountants' Certificate. An Accountants' Certificate acceptable to the Issuer (A) confirming the information with respect to each Collateral Obligation on the Schedule of Collateral Obligations attached as Schedule 1, (B) confirming that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that the Issuer has purchased or committed to purchase in accordance with customary settlement procedures in the relevant markets, is approximately U.S.\$677,332,536, that each Concentration Limitation is satisfied taking into account all of the Collateral Obligations acquired as of the Closing Date (including binding agreements to purchase Collateral Obligations in effect on the Closing Date), that the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date and that the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date and a calculation of the Diversity Score, (C) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to this Section 3.1(a)(xix) and (D) confirming the weighted average purchase price of the Collateral Obligations.

(xx) Certificate of the Issuer Regarding Collateral. A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, to the knowledge of the Issuer, in the case of each Collateral Obligation pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, as the case may be, on the Closing Date and immediately before the delivery of the Collateral Obligation on the Closing Date:

(A) the Issuer is the owner of the Collateral Obligation free of any liens, claims, or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever except for those that are being released on the Closing Date and except for those Granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture;

(B) the Issuer has acquired its ownership in the Collateral Obligation in good faith without notice of any adverse claim, except as described in paragraph (A) above;

(C) the Issuer has not assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered any interest in the Collateral Obligation (or, if any interest in the Collateral Obligation has been assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered, it has been released before the Closing

Date or is being released on the Closing Date) other than interests Granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture;

(D) the Issuer has full right to Grant a security interest in and assign and pledge the Collateral Obligation to the Trustee;

(E) upon Grant by the Issuer, the Trustee has a first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral Obligations and the other Collateral; and

(F) based solely on the Accountant's Certificate set forth in clause (xix) above, the weighted average purchase price of the Collateral Obligations in the Collateral as of the Closing Date is at least 100.03% of the aggregate par amount thereof.

(xxi) Certificate of the Issuer Regarding Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice. A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, on or prior to the Closing Date the Issuer provided to the Depository the Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice, substantially in the form of Exhibit C-2.

(xxii) Other Documents. Any other documents the Trustee reasonably requires. Nothing in this clause (xxii) shall imply or impose a duty on the part of the Trustee to require any other documents.

(b) Any Replacement Notes may be issued from time to time pursuant to Section 9.7 hereof, and any Refinancing Note may be issued from time to time pursuant to Section 9.8 hereof. Any such Replacement Notes and Refinancing Notes shall be executed by the Applicable Issuer and delivered to the Trustee for authentication, and thereupon shall be authenticated and delivered by the Trustee upon and pursuant to Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee, together with delivery to the Trustee by the Issuer of an Opinion of Counsel to the affect that (A) such Replacement Notes or Refinancing Notes, as the case may be, are duly authorized and validly issued by the Applicable Issuer pursuant to this Indenture, constituting the legal, valid and binding obligation of such Applicable Issuer, enforceable against such Applicable Issuer in accordance with its terms and (B) all conditions precedent under this Indenture, if any, applicable to the issuance, authentication and delivery of such Notes, have been satisfied.

### **Section 3.2. Custodianship; Delivery of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments.**

(a) The Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall deliver or cause to be delivered to a custodian appointed by the Issuer, which shall be a Securities Intermediary (the "*Custodian*"), all Collateral in accordance with the definition of "Deliver." Initially, the Custodian shall be Investors Bank & Trust Company. Any successor custodian shall be a state or national bank or trust company that is not an Affiliate of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and has capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000 and is a Securities Intermediary. Subject to the limited right to relocate Pledged Obligations as provided in Section 7.5(b), the Trustee shall hold all Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, other assets purchased in accordance with this Indenture (other than Loans, Participations and general intangibles) and Cash in the relevant Account established and maintained pursuant to Article 10, as to which in each case the Trustee shall have entered into the Securities Account Control Agreement with the Custodian providing, inter alia, that the establishment and maintenance of the Account shall be governed by the law of the State of New York.

(b) Each time that the Issuer, or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, directs or causes the acquisition of any Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other assets, the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) shall, if the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other asset is required to be, but has not

already been, transferred to the relevant Account, cause the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other asset to be Delivered to the Custodian to be held in the Custodial Account (or in the case of any such asset that is not a Collateral Obligation, in the Account in which the funds used to purchase the asset are held in accordance with Article 10) for the benefit of the Trustee in accordance with this Indenture. The security interest of the Trustee in the funds or other property used in connection with the acquisition shall, immediately and without further action on the part of the Trustee, be released. The security interest of the Trustee shall nevertheless come into existence and continue in the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other asset so acquired, including all interests of the Issuer in or to any contracts related to and proceeds of the Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments or other assets.

### **Section 3.3. Representations as to Collateral.**

(a) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants to the Secured Parties as to the Collateral as follows (which representations are repeated on each day on which the Issuer acquires new Collateral):

(i) This Indenture creates a valid and continuing security interest (as defined in the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) in the Collateral in favor of the Trustee, which security interest is prior to all other liens, charges, claims, security interests, mortgages and other encumbrances, and is enforceable as such as against creditors of and purchasers from the Issuer.

(ii) Except for any Securities Lending Collateral and Synthetic Securities Collateral, the Issuer has good and marketable title to and is the owner of each item of Collateral free of any liens, claims, or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever except for liens (A) that are being released on the Closing Date and (B) granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture. The Issuer has a first priority perfected security interest in all Securities Lending Collateral to secure all obligations of Securities Lending Counterparty under the Securities Lending Agreement and a first priority perfected security interest in all Synthetic Securities Collateral to secure all obligations of Synthetic Security Counterparty under the Synthetic Securities Agreement.

(iii) The Issuer has not assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered any interest in the Collateral (or, if any interest in the Collateral has been assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered, it has been released before the Closing Date or is being released on the Closing Date) other than interests granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture.

(iv) The Issuer has full right, and has received all consents and approvals required by the related Underlying Instruments, to grant a security interest in its rights in the Collateral to the Trustee.

(v) Each Collateral Obligation included in the Collateral satisfied the requirements of the definition of "Collateral Obligation" as of the date the Issuer committed to purchase the same or, in the case of the Warehoused Loans, as of the Closing Date.

(vi) All Collateral Obligations, any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange did not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, and Eligible Investments (other than, in each case, "general intangibles" within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) have been and will have been credited to one of the Accounts. The securities intermediary for each Account has agreed to treat all assets credited to the Accounts as "financial assets" within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code.

(vii) The Issuer has pledged to the Trustee all of the Issuer's interest in each Collateral Obligation included in the Collateral pursuant to the Granting Clauses of this Indenture and has

delivered each Collateral Obligation (including any promissory note and all its other Underlying Instruments to the extent received by the Issuer) to the Trustee or the Custodian as contemplated by Section 3.2.

(viii) Each of the Collateral constitutes “general intangibles,” “certificated securities,” “instruments,” “securities entitlements” or “uncertificated securities,” each within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code, or any other category of collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code as to which the Issuer has complied with its obligations under Section 3.3(b).

(ix) The Issuer has caused (or will have caused within 10 days following the Closing Date) the filing of appropriate financing statements in the proper filing offices in the appropriate jurisdictions under applicable law to perfect the security interest in the portion of the Collateral pledged to the Trustee under this Indenture that may be perfected by the filing of financing statements.

(x) The Issuer has not authorized the filing of and is not aware of any financing statements against the Issuer that include a description of collateral covering the Collateral other than any financing statement (A) relating to the security interest granted to the Trustee under this Indenture, (B) that has been terminated or (C) that names the Trustee as the secured party. On the date of this Indenture, the Issuer is not aware of any judgment or Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation or tax lien filings against the Issuer.

(xi) The Issuer has delivered to the Trustee a fully executed agreement pursuant to which the securities intermediary for each Account has agreed to comply with all instructions originated by the Trustee relating to the Account without further consent by the Issuer.

(xii) All original executed copies of each “instrument” (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral have been delivered to the Custodian, to the extent received by the Issuer. The Issuer has received confirmation from the Custodian that the Custodian has credited the instruments to one of the Accounts. None of the instruments that are or evidence the Collateral has any marks or notations indicating that they are then pledged or otherwise assigned to any Person other than the Trustee.

(xiii) The Accounts are not in the name of any Person other than the Issuer or the Trustee. The Issuer has not consented to the securities intermediary of any Account to comply with instructions of any Person other than the Trustee.

(xiv) All “certificated securities” (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral have been delivered to the Custodian, to the extent received by the Issuer, registered in the name of the Custodian or indorsed to the Custodian. The Issuer has received confirmation from the Custodian that the Custodian has credited such certificated securities to one of the Accounts.

(xv) The Issuer has caused all “uncertificated securities” (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral to be registered in the name of the Custodian.

(xvi) Upon grant by the Issuer, the Trustee has a first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral.

(b) The parties to this Indenture shall not waive any of the representations in this Section 3.3, unless the Rating Condition is satisfied in connection with such waiver. The Issuer shall provide each of the Rating Agencies with prompt written notice of any breach of the representations contained in this Section 3.3 upon becoming aware thereof, and shall not waive a breach of any of the representations in this Section 3.3, unless the Rating Condition is satisfied (as determined after any adjustment or withdrawal of the ratings following notice of such breach) in connection with such waiver.

(c) If the Issuer acquires Collateral that is not “general intangibles,” “certificated securities,” “instruments,” “securities entitlements,” or “uncertificated securities,” each within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code, or another category of collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code as to which the Issuer has complied with its obligations under this Section 3.3, then on or before the date on which the Issuer acquires the Collateral, the Issuer (or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer) shall notify S&P and the Trustee (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) of its acquisition or intended acquisition of the Collateral and the Issuer shall represent to S&P and to the Trustee (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) as to the category of the Collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code and shall make any further representations as to the perfection and priority of the security interest in the Collateral Granted under this Indenture acceptable to S&P.

## ARTICLE IV.

### SATISFACTION AND DISCHARGE

#### **Section 4.1. Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture.**

This Indenture shall be discharged and shall cease to be of further effect with respect to the Notes and the Collateral except as to:

- (a) rights of registration of transfer and exchange,
- (b) substitution of mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Notes,
- (c) rights of Noteholders to receive payments of principal and interest on, or other amounts (including without limitation Extension Bonus Payments) owing in respect of, the Notes as provided in this Indenture,
- (d) the rights, indemnities, and immunities of the Trustee under this Indenture and the obligations of the Trustee under Section 7.3 of this Indenture with respect to the holding and paying of unclaimed funds,
- (e) for so long as any Preference Shares remain Outstanding, any provisions hereof conferring any rights or remedies upon the Holders of the Preference Shares or the Preference Shares Paying Agent on behalf of the Holders of the Preference Shares, including but not limited to, the provisions of Articles 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15,
- (f) for so long as any Preference Shares remain Outstanding, the provisions of Articles 10, 11 and 12 relating to the acquisition, retention and disbursement of Collateral,
- (g) the rights, obligations, and immunities of the Servicer under this Indenture and under the Servicing Agreement,



(h) the rights of Noteholders as beneficiaries of this Indenture with respect to the property deposited with the Trustee and payable to any of them (and the Trustee, on demand of and at the expense of the Issuer, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture),

(i) when:

(i) either:

(A) all Notes theretofore authenticated and delivered to Holders of Notes (other than (A) Notes that have been destroyed, lost or stolen and which have been replaced or paid as provided in Section 2.7 and (B) Notes for whose payment money has theretofore irrevocably been deposited in trust and thereafter repaid to the Issuer or discharged from the trust, as provided in Section 7.3), have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation; or

(B) all Notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation have become payable, or

(C) will become payable at their Stated Maturity within one year, or

(D) are to be called for redemption pursuant to Article 9 under an arrangement satisfactory to the Trustee for the giving of notice of redemption by the Applicable Issuers pursuant to Section 9.3,

(ii) and the Issuer has irrevocably deposited with the Trustee, in trust for payment of the principal and interest on the Notes, Cash or non-callable obligations of the United States of America. The obligations deposited under Section 4.1(i)(ii) with respect to the other Notes must be entitled to the full faith and credit of the United States of America or be debt obligations that are rated "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, in an amount sufficient, as verified by a firm of Independent certified public accountants that are nationally recognized, to pay and discharge the entire indebtedness on the Notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation, for principal and interest to the date of the deposit (in the case of Notes that have become payable), or to the respective Stated Maturity or the respective Redemption Date, as the case may be, and the Issuer shall have Granted to the Trustee a valid perfected security interest in the Eligible Investment that is of first priority, free of any adverse claim, and shall have furnished an Opinion of Counsel with respect thereto. Section 4.1(i)(ii) shall not apply if an election to act in accordance with Section 5.5(a) has been made and not rescinded. In addition, the Issuer shall cause delivery to the Trustee of an Opinion of Counsel of Independent U.S. tax counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters to the effect that the Noteholders would recognize no income, gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of the deposit and satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture,

(j) the Issuer has paid all other sums then payable under this Indenture by the Issuer and no other amounts are scheduled to be payable by the Issuer, and

(k) the Co-Issuers have delivered to the Trustee Officer's certificates and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent in this Indenture provided for relating to the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture have been complied with.

Notwithstanding the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture, the rights and obligations of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Servicer and, if applicable, the Noteholders, as the case may be, under Sections 2.8, 4.2, 5.4(d), 5.9, 5.18, 6.7, 6.8, 7.1, 7.3, 13.1, and 14.14 shall survive.

**Section 4.2. Application of Trust Money.**

All monies deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 4.1 shall be held in trust for the Person entitled to it and applied by the Trustee in accordance with the Notes and this Indenture, including the Priority of Payments, to the payment of principal and interest (and, in the case of the Class A-1B Notes, Delayed Drawdown Fee), either directly or through any Paying Agent, as the Trustee may determine. The money shall be held in a segregated non-interest bearing trust account identified as being held in trust for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

**Section 4.3. Repayment of Monies Held by Paying Agent.**

In connection with the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture with respect to the Notes, all monies then held by any Paying Agent other than the Trustee under this Indenture shall, upon demand of the Co-Issuers, be paid to the Trustee to be held and applied pursuant to Section 7.3 and in accordance with the Priority of Payments and thereupon the Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to the monies.

**ARTICLE V.**

**REMEDIES**

**Section 5.1. Events of Default.**

***“Event of Default,”*** wherever used in this Indenture, means any one of the following events whatever the reason:

(a) a default for four Business Days in the payment of any interest (or, in the case of the Class A-1B Notes, Delayed Drawdown Fee) on any Class of Notes that is currently part of the Controlling Class when it becomes payable (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, the Irish Paying Agent or the Indenture Registrar, after seven Business Days);

(b) a default in the payment of principal (including Deferred Interest) of any Note, when the same becomes payable, at its Stated Maturity, Refinancing Date or on the Redemption Date;

(c) the failure on any Payment Date to disburse amounts available in the Payment Account in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the failure continues for three Business Days;

(d) on any Measurement Date for so long as any Class A Notes are Outstanding, the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio is less than 100%;

(e) either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral becomes an investment company under the Investment Company Act;

(f) breach of any other covenant or other agreement of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture (other than any failure to satisfy any of the Collateral Quality Tests, any of the Concentration Limitations, any of the Coverage Tests, the Retention Overcollateralization Test, or other covenants or

agreements for which a specific remedy has been provided in this Section 5.1) in any material respect, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant thereto, or in connection therewith, to be correct in any material respect when made, and the breach or failure continues for 30 days after either of the Co-Issuers has actual knowledge of it or after notice to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, and the Servicer by the Trustee or to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class by registered or certified mail or overnight courier specifying the breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that the notice is a “Notice of Default” under this Indenture;

(g) the entry of a decree or order by a court having competent jurisdiction adjudging the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, or composition of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, and if the decree or order remains unstayed and in effect for 45 consecutive days;

(h) the institution by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of Proceedings to have the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as the case may be, adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings against the Issuer or Co-Issuer, or the filing by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Bankruptcy Law or any other similar applicable law, or the consent by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or the taking of any action by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in furtherance of any such action; or

(i) one or more final judgments is rendered against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer that exceed in the aggregate U.S.\$2,000,000 and that remain unstayed, undischarged, and unsatisfied for 30 days after the judgments become nonappealable, unless adequate funds have been reserved or set aside for their payment, and unless (except as otherwise specified in writing by Moody’s) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereon.

**Section 5.2. Notice of Event of Default; Acceleration of Maturity; Rescission and Annulment.**

(a) Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Trustee shall give prompt (and in no event later than five Business Days after becoming aware of such event) notice thereof to the Noteholders.

(b) If an Event of Default is continuing (other than an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h)), the Trustee may, with consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class, and shall, upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, declare the principal of all the Notes to be immediately payable by notice to the Applicable Issuers and the Noteholders, and upon that declaration the unpaid principal of all the Notes, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), and other amounts payable under this Indenture, shall become immediately payable. The Replacement Period shall terminate upon a declaration of acceleration (subject to re-commencement pursuant to Section 5.2(c)). If an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h)

occurs, all unpaid principal, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), of all the Notes, and other amounts payable under this Indenture, shall automatically become payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any Noteholder and the Replacement Period shall terminate automatically (subject to re-commencement pursuant to Section 5.2(c)).

(c) At any time after the declaration of acceleration of maturity has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may rescind the declaration and its consequences if:

(i) The Issuer or the Co-Issuer has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:

(A) all unpaid installments of interest and principal on the Notes then due;

(B) to the extent that payment of the interest is lawful, interest on any Deferred Interest and Defaulted Interest at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable;

(C) all Administrative Expenses of the Co-Issuers and other sums paid or advanced by the Trustee under this Indenture;

(D) all unpaid Senior Servicing Fees;

(E) all amounts then payable to any Hedge Counterparty; and

(ii) The Trustee has determined that all Events of Default, other than the non-payment of the interest on or principal of the Notes, have been (A) cured, and a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Trustee has agreed with that determination, or (B) waived as provided in Section 5.14.

No such rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right consequent thereon. The Issuer shall not terminate any Hedge Agreement at any time after a declaration of acceleration of Maturity of the Notes has been made, unless such declaration and its consequences may no longer be rescinded and annulled in accordance with this Section 5.2(c) and liquidation of the Collateral has begun.

If a declaration of acceleration is rescinded as described above:

(x) the Replacement Period, if terminated by the declaration, shall re-commence on the date of the rescission (unless the Replacement Period would have otherwise terminated before that date pursuant to clauses (a), (b), or (c) of its definition); and

(y) the Trustee shall retain the Collateral in accordance with this Indenture. If the retention of the Collateral is rescinded pursuant to Section 5.5, the Notes may again be accelerated pursuant to Section 5.2(b), notwithstanding any previous rescission of a declaration of acceleration pursuant to this Section 5.2(c).

No rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right resulting from the Default.

(d) Notwithstanding anything in this Section 5.2 to the contrary, the Notes will not be subject to acceleration by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class or any other Holders solely as a result of the failure to pay any amount due on Notes that are not of the Controlling Class.

### **Section 5.3. Collection of Indebtedness and Suits for Enforcement by Trustee.**

The Applicable Issuers covenant that if a default occurs in the payment of any principal of or interest when payable on any Note, upon demand of the Trustee or the Holder of any affected Note, the Applicable Issuers shall pay to the Trustee, for the benefit of the Holder of the Note, the whole amount then payable on the Note for principal and interest with interest on the overdue principal and, to the extent that payments of the interest shall be legally enforceable, on overdue installments of interest and all other amounts owing to the Noteholders under this Indenture, at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable, and, in addition, an amount sufficient to cover the costs and expenses of collection, including the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee and the Holders and their agents and counsel.

If the Issuer or the Co-Issuer fails to pay those amounts immediately on demand, the Trustee, in its own name and as Trustee of an express trust, may (after giving prior written notice to the Controlling Class and absent the Trustee having received a written direction to the contrary from the Controlling Class), and shall at the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class (subject to Section 6.3(e)), institute a Proceeding for the collection of the sums due, may prosecute the Proceeding to judgment or final decree, and may enforce the same against the Applicable Issuers or any other obligor on the Notes and collect the monies determined to be payable in the manner provided by law out of the Collateral.

If an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee may (after giving prior written notice to the Controlling Class and absent the Trustee having received a written direction to the contrary from the Controlling Class), and shall upon written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class (subject to Section 6.3(e)), proceed to protect and enforce its rights and the rights of the Noteholders by any appropriate Proceedings as is deemed most effective (if no direction is received by the Trustee) or as the Trustee may be directed by a Majority of the Controlling Class, to protect and enforce the rights of the Trustee and the Noteholders, whether for the specific enforcement of any agreement in this Indenture or in aid of the exercise of any power granted in this Indenture, or to enforce any other proper remedy or legal or equitable right vested in the Trustee by this Indenture or by law. The reasonable compensation, costs, expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or paid by the Trustee and its agents and counsel, in connection with such Proceeding, including, without limitation, the exercise of any remedies pursuant to Section 5.4, shall be reimbursed to the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.8.

If any Proceedings are pending relating to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any other obligor on the Notes under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law, or if a receiver, assignee, or trustee in bankruptcy or reorganization, liquidator, sequestrator or similar official has been appointed for or taken possession of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or their respective property or any other obligor on the Notes or its property, or if any other comparable Proceedings are pending relating to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or other obligor on the Notes, or the creditors or property of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or other obligor on the Notes, the Trustee, regardless of whether the principal of any Notes is then payable by declaration or otherwise and regardless of whether the Trustee has made any demand pursuant to this Section 5.3, may, by intervention in the Proceedings or otherwise:

(a) file and prove claims for the whole amount of principal and interest owing and unpaid in respect of the Notes, and file any other papers or documents appropriate and take any other appropriate action (including sitting on a committee of creditors) to have the claims of the Trustee (including any claim for reasonable compensation to the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, and their respective

agents, attorneys, and counsel, and for reimbursement of all expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, except as a result of negligence or bad faith) and of the Noteholders allowed in any Proceedings relating to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or other obligor on the Notes or to the creditors or property of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or other obligor on the Notes;

(b) unless prohibited by applicable law, vote on behalf of the Noteholders in any election of a trustee or a standby trustee in arrangement, reorganization, liquidation or other bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings or Person performing similar functions in comparable Proceedings; and

(c) collect and receive any monies or other property payable to or deliverable on any such claims, and distribute all amounts received with respect to the claims of the Noteholders and of the Trustee on their behalf; and any trustee, receiver or liquidator, custodian or other similar official is authorized by each of the Noteholders to make payments to the Trustee, and, if the Trustee consents to making payments directly to the Noteholders, to pay to the Trustee amounts sufficient to cover reasonable compensation to the Trustee, each predecessor Trustee, and their respective agents, attorneys, and counsel, and all other reasonable expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee except as a result of negligence or bad faith.

Nothing in this Indenture shall authorize the Trustee to authorize or consent to or vote for or accept or adopt on behalf of the Holder of any Note, any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition affecting the Notes or any Noteholder, or to authorize the Trustee to vote on the claim of the Holder of any Note in any Proceeding except, as aforesaid, to vote for the election of a trustee in bankruptcy or similar Person.

Notwithstanding anything in this Section 5.3 to the contrary, the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Collateral or institute Proceedings in furtherance of the sale or liquidation of the Collateral pursuant to this Section 5.3 except according to Section 5.5(a).

#### **Section 5.4. Remedies.**

(a) If an Event of Default is continuing, and the Notes have been declared payable and the declaration and its consequences have not been rescinded, or at any time after the Stated Maturity, the Co-Issuers agree that the Trustee may (after giving prior written notice to the Controlling Class and absent the Trustee having received a written direction to the contrary from the Controlling Class), and shall, upon written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class (subject to Section 6.3(e)), to the extent permitted by applicable law, exercise one or more of the following rights:

(i) institute Proceedings for the collection of all amounts then payable on the Notes or otherwise payable under this Indenture, whether by declaration or otherwise, enforce any judgment obtained, and collect from the Collateral any monies adjudged due;

(ii) sell or liquidate all or a portion of the Collateral or interests therein, at one or more public or private sales called and conducted in any manner permitted by law and in accordance with Section 5.17;

(iii) institute Proceedings from time to time for the complete or partial foreclosure of this Indenture with respect to the Collateral;

(iv) exercise any remedies of a secured party under the UCC and take any other appropriate action to protect and enforce the rights of the Trustee and the Noteholders under this Indenture; and

- (v) exercise any other rights that may be available at law or in equity;

*except* that the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Collateral or institute Proceedings in furtherance of the sale or liquidation of the Collateral pursuant to this Section 5.4 except according to Section 5.5(a).

(b) If an Event of Default as described in Section 5.1(f) is continuing the Trustee may, with the consent of, and shall, at the written direction of, the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, subject to Section 6.3(e), institute a Proceeding solely to compel performance of the covenant or agreement or to cure the representation or warranty, the breach of which gave rise to the Event of Default under Section 5.1(f), and enforce any equitable decree or order arising from the Proceeding.

(c) Upon any sale, whether made under the power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, any Holders or the Servicer (subject to the Servicing Agreement) may bid for and purchase any part of the Collateral and, upon compliance with the terms of sale, may hold, retain, possess, or dispose of the Collateral in its or their own absolute right without accountability.

Upon any sale, whether made under the power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, the receipt of the Trustee, or of the Officer making a sale under judicial Proceedings, shall be a sufficient discharge to the purchasers at any sale for their purchase money, and the purchasers shall not be obliged to see to its application.

Any sale, whether under any power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, shall bind the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Noteholders, shall operate to divest all interest whatsoever, either at law or in equity, of each of them in the property sold, and shall be a perpetual bar, both at law and in equity, against each of them and their successors and assigns, and against all Persons claiming through or under them.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, none of the Trustee, the Secured Parties or the Noteholders may, before the date that is one year and one day (or if longer, any applicable preference period plus one day) after the payment in full of all Notes and redemption of all of the Preference Shares, institute against, or join any other Person in instituting against, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium, or liquidation Proceedings, or other Proceedings under the Bankruptcy Law or any similar laws in any jurisdiction. Nothing in this Section 5.4 shall preclude the Trustee or any Secured Party (i) from taking any action before the expiration of that period in (A) any case or Proceeding voluntarily filed or commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or (B) any involuntary insolvency Proceeding filed or commenced by a Person other than a Secured Party or (ii) from commencing against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any of its properties any legal action that is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation Proceeding.

#### **Section 5.5. Optional Retention of Collateral.**

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Indenture, if an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall retain the Collateral, collect, and cause the collection of the proceeds of the Collateral and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Collateral and the Notes, and any Hedge Agreements (other than amounts received under a Hedge Agreement that are used in putting a Replacement Hedge in place), in accordance with the Priority of Payments, Article 10 and Article 12 unless:

(i) the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, determines that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under Section 11.1(a)(i)(3) and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination; or

(ii) the Holders of a Super Majority of the Class A Notes (voting as a single Class), the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral.

The Trustee shall give written notice of the retention of the Collateral to the Issuer with a copy to the Co-Issuer and the Servicer. So long as the Event of Default is continuing, any retention pursuant to this Section 5.5(a) may be rescinded at any time when the conditions specified in clause (i) or (ii) exist.

(b) Nothing contained in Section 5.5(a) shall be construed to require the Trustee to sell the Collateral if the conditions in clause (i) or (ii) of Section 5.5(a) are not satisfied. Nothing contained in Section 5.5(a) shall be construed to require the Trustee to retain the Collateral if prohibited by applicable law.

(c) In determining whether the condition specified in Section 5.5(a)(i) exists, the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, shall obtain bid prices with respect to each security contained in the Collateral from two nationally recognized dealers (or if there is only one market maker, that market maker and if there is no market maker, from a pricing service) selected and specified by the Servicer to the Trustee in writing, at the time making a market in those securities, and shall compute the anticipated proceeds of sale or liquidation on the basis of the lower of the bid prices for each security. In addition, for the purposes of determining issues relating to the valuation of the Collateral, the satisfaction of the conditions specified in this Indenture, the execution of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral, and the execution of a sale or other liquidation of the Collateral in connection with a determination whether the condition specified in Section 5.5(a)(i) exists, the Trustee may retain, at the Issuer's expense, and rely on an opinion of an Independent investment banking firm of national reputation, which may be the Placement Agent.

The Trustee shall deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Noteholders, the Co-Issuers, the Servicer and the Hedge Counterparties a report stating the results of any determination required pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i). The Trustee shall make the determinations required by Section 5.5(a)(i) after an Event of Default at the written request of a Majority of the Controlling Class at any time during which the Trustee retains the Collateral pursuant to Section 5.5(a) (provided, however, that in the case of any such request made more frequently than one per Due Period, the Trustee may require that any expenses associated with such determination, including the accountant's letter described in the next sentence, be paid by the requesting Noteholders). The Trustee shall obtain (at the Issuer's expense) a letter of a firm of Independent certified public accountants confirming the accuracy of each calculation made by the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) and certifying their conformity to the requirements of this Indenture.

(d) Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, the Trustee may not, and the Noteholders representing the requisite percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes specified in Sections 5.4 or 5.5, may not instruct the Trustee to sell or liquidate or (except in connection with the concurrent execution of a Replacement Hedge) terminate any Hedge Agreement during the



continuance of an Event of Default until all Collateral other than the Hedge Agreements has been sold or liquidated and its proceeds applied in accordance with this Indenture.

(e) Collateral may not be sold or liquidated pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) after the last date on which the sale or liquidation is permitted under Section 5.5(a)(i) with respect to a determination made pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) (the last permitted date being determined by the Trustee under Section 5.5(a)(i)), unless a new determination is made in accordance with Section 5.5(a)(i) and the Collateral is sold or liquidated before the last sale date permitted in accordance with the new determination.

#### **Section 5.6. Trustee May Enforce Claims Without Possession of Notes.**

All rights of action and claims under this Indenture or under any of the Notes may be prosecuted and enforced by the Trustee without the possession of any of the Notes or their production in any trial or other Proceeding relating to them, and any Proceeding instituted by the Trustee shall be brought in its own name as trustee of an express trust, and any recovery of judgment shall be applied as provided in Section 5.7.

In any Proceedings brought by the Trustee (and any Proceedings involving the interpretation of any provision of this Indenture to which the Trustee shall be a party) the Trustee shall be held to represent all the Noteholders.

#### **Section 5.7. Application of Money Collected.**

Any money collected by the Trustee with respect to the Notes pursuant to this Article 5 and any money that may then be held or subsequently received by the Trustee with respect to the Notes under this Indenture shall be applied, subject to Section 13.1 and in accordance with Section 11.1, at the dates fixed by the Trustee.

#### **Section 5.8. Limitation on Suits.**

No Holder of any Note shall have any right to institute any Proceedings, judicial or otherwise, with respect to this Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy under this Indenture, unless:

- (a) the Holder has previously given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default;
- (b) the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute Proceedings with respect to the Event of Default in its own name as Trustee under this Indenture and the Holders have offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with the request;
- (c) the Trustee for 30 days after its receipt of the notice, request and offer of indemnity has failed to institute a Proceeding; and
- (d) no direction inconsistent with the written request has been given to the Trustee during the 30 day period by a Majority of the Controlling Class.

No Noteholder shall have any right in any manner whatsoever by virtue of, or by availing of, any provision of this Indenture to affect the rights of any other Noteholders of the same Class or to obtain or to seek to obtain priority or preference over any other Holders of Notes of the same Class or to enforce

any right under this Indenture, except in the manner provided in this Indenture and for the equal and ratable benefit of all the Holders of Notes of the same Class subject to and in accordance with Section 13.1 and the Priority of Payments.

If, during the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Trustee receives conflicting or inconsistent requests and indemnity pursuant to this Section 5.8 from two or more groups of Holders of the Controlling Class, regarding the institution or conduct of any proceeding or any remedy or the exercise of any right available to the Trustee under this Indenture, each representing less than a Majority of the Controlling Class, the Trustee shall take the action requested by the Holders of the largest percentage in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, notwithstanding any other provisions of this Indenture but subject to Section 6.3(e).

#### **Section 5.9. Unconditional Rights of Noteholders.**

Notwithstanding any provision of this Indenture other than this Section 5.9 and Sections 2.8(i), 5.4(d), and 13.1, the Holder of any Note shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive payment of the principal of and interest on the Note as it comes due in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Section 13.1, and, subject to Section 5.8, to institute proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment, and that right shall not be impaired without the consent of the Holder. Noteholders ranking junior to Notes still Outstanding may not institute proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment until no Note ranking senior to their Note remains Outstanding, subject to Section 5.8, and shall not be impaired without the consent of any such Holder. For so long as any Notes are Outstanding, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be entitled to any payment of any amount for payments to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, on a claim against the Issuer unless there are sufficient funds to pay such amounts to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

#### **Section 5.10. Restoration of Rights and Remedies.**

If the Trustee or the Holder of any Note has instituted any Proceeding to enforce any right under this Indenture and the Proceeding has been discontinued or abandoned for any reason, or has been determined adversely to the Trustee or to the Holder, then, subject to any determination in the Proceeding, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Holder shall be restored to their former positions under this Indenture, and thereafter all rights of the Trustee and the Holder shall continue as though no Proceeding had been instituted.

#### **Section 5.11. Rights and Remedies Cumulative.**

No right in this Indenture conferred on or reserved to the Trustee or to the Noteholders is intended to be exclusive of any other right, and every right shall, to the extent permitted by law, be cumulative and in addition to every other right given under this Indenture or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or otherwise. The assertion or employment of any right under this Indenture, or otherwise, shall not prevent the concurrent assertion or employment of any other appropriate right.

#### **Section 5.12. Delay or Omission Not Waiver.**

No delay or omission of the Trustee or the Holder of any Note to exercise any right accruing upon any Event of Default shall impair the right or be a waiver of the Event of Default or an acquiescence in it or of a subsequent Event of Default. Every right given by this Article 5 or by law to the Trustee or to the Noteholders may be exercised from time to time, and as often as deemed expedient, by the Trustee or by the applicable Noteholders.

**Section 5.13. Control by Majority of the Controlling Class.**

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, during the continuance of an Event of Default, a Majority of the Controlling Class may institute and direct the time, method and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any right of the Trustee with respect to the Notes if:

(i) the direction does not conflict with any rule of law or with any express provision of this Indenture; and

(ii) the Trustee has been indemnified to its reasonable satisfaction (and the Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability unless it has received an indemnity against the liability).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, only a Majority of the Controlling Class may direct proceedings with respect to remedies specified in Section 5.4(a) or otherwise with respect to the Collateral.

(b) The Trustee may take any other action deemed proper by the Trustee that is not inconsistent with a direction under Section 5.13(a). Subject to Section 6.1, the Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability (unless the Trustee has received an indemnity against the liabilities reasonably satisfactory to it) and during the continuance of an Event of Default that has not been cured, or waived, the Trustee shall, before receiving directions from a Majority of the Controlling Class, exercise the rights expressly vested in it by this Indenture and use the same degree of care and skill in their exercise with respect to the Event of Default as is required by Section 6.1(b).

(c) Any direction to the Trustee to undertake a Sale of the Collateral shall be in accordance with Sections 5.4 or 5.5.

**Section 5.14. Waiver of Past Defaults.**

Before a judgment or decree for payment of any money due has been obtained by the Trustee, as provided in this Article 5, a Majority of the Controlling Class may on behalf of the Holders of all the Notes, with respect to the Notes waive any past Default and its consequences, except a Default:

(a) in the payment of the principal or Redemption Price of any Note or in the payment of interest (including Defaulted Interest, Deferred Interest, and any interest on Defaulted Interest or Deferred Interest) on the Notes;

(b) with respect to a provision of this Indenture that under Section 8.2 cannot be modified or amended without the waiver or consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected by the modification or amendment;

(c) in the payment of amounts due to the Servicer, the Trustee or the Hedge Counterparty, which may only be waived with the consent of the affected party; or

(d) arising as a result of an Event of Default described in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h).

Upon any such waiver, the Default shall cease to exist, and any Event of Default arising from it shall be cured, for every purpose of this Indenture, but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other Default or impair any right consequent thereto. The Trustee shall promptly give written notice of

any such waiver to the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Noteholder.

#### **Section 5.15. Undertaking for Costs.**

All parties to this Indenture agree, and each Holder of any Note by its acceptance of its Note agrees, that in any suit for the enforcement of any right under this Indenture, or in any suit against the Trustee or the Servicer for any action taken or omitted by it as Trustee or for any action taken or omitted by the Servicer, as applicable, any court may in its discretion require the filing by any party litigant in the suit of an undertaking to pay the costs of the suit, and that the court may in its discretion assess reasonable costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, against any party litigant in the suit, having due regard to the merits and good faith of the claims or defenses made by the party litigant. This Section 5.15 shall not apply to any suit instituted by the Trustee or the Servicer, to any suit instituted by any Holder, or group of Holders, of Notes holding in the aggregate more than 10% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, or to any suit instituted by any Noteholder for the enforcement of the payment of the principal of or interest on any Note or any other amount payable under this Indenture after the applicable Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, after the applicable Redemption Date).

#### **Section 5.16. Waiver of Stay or Extension Laws.**

To the extent that they may lawfully do so, the Co-Issuers covenant that they will not at any time insist on, or plead, or in any manner whatsoever claim or take the benefit or advantage of, any stay or extension law or any valuation, appraisal, redemption, or marshalling law or rights, in each case wherever enacted, now or at any time hereafter in force, that may affect the covenants, the performance of, or any remedies under this Indenture. To the extent that they may lawfully do so, the Co-Issuers expressly waive all benefit or advantage of any such law or rights, and covenant that they shall not delay or impede the execution of any power in this Indenture granted to the Trustee or the Noteholders but will permit the execution of every power as though the law had not been enacted or rights created.

#### **Section 5.17. Sale of Collateral.**

(a) The power to effect any sale (a "***Sale***") of any portion of the Collateral pursuant to Sections 5.4 and 5.5 shall not be exhausted by any one or more Sales as to any portion of the Collateral remaining unsold, but shall continue unimpaired until the entire Collateral is sold or all amounts secured by the Collateral have been paid. The Trustee may upon notice to the Noteholders and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), and shall, at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class with respect to Collateral, from time to time postpone any Sale by public announcement made at the time and place of the Sale. The Trustee waives its rights to any amount fixed by law as compensation for any Sale. The Trustee may deduct the reasonable expenses (including the reasonable fees and expenses of its agents and attorneys) incurred by it in connection with a Sale from its proceeds notwithstanding Section 6.8.

(b) The Trustee may, on an arm's length basis, bid for and acquire any portion of the Collateral in connection with a public Sale of the Collateral, and may pay all or part of the purchase price by crediting against amounts owing on the Notes or other amounts secured by the Collateral all or part of the net proceeds of the Sale after deducting the reasonable expenses incurred by the Trustee in connection with the Sale notwithstanding Section 6.8. The Notes need not be produced to complete any Sale, or for the net proceeds of the Sale to be credited against amounts owing on the Notes. The Trustee may hold, lease, operate, manage or otherwise deal with any property so acquired in any manner permitted by law in accordance with this Indenture.

(c) If any portion of the Collateral consists of securities issued without registration under the Securities Act (“*Unregistered Securities*”), the Trustee may seek an Opinion of Counsel, or, if no Opinion of Counsel can be obtained, seek a no action position from the Securities and Exchange Commission or any other relevant federal or state regulatory authorities, regarding the legality of a public or private Sale of the Unregistered Securities.

(d) The Trustee shall execute and deliver an appropriate instrument of transfer transferring its interest in any portion of the Collateral in connection with its Sale. In addition, the Trustee is irrevocably appointed the agent and attorney-in-fact of the Issuer to transfer its interest in any portion of the Collateral in connection with its Sale, and to take all action necessary to effect the Sale. No purchaser or transferee at a Sale shall be bound to ascertain the Trustee’s authority, to inquire into the satisfaction of any conditions precedent, or see to the application of any monies.

#### **Section 5.18. Action on the Notes.**

The Trustee’s right to seek and recover judgment on the Notes or under this Indenture shall not be affected by the seeking or obtaining of or application for any other relief under or with respect to this Indenture. Neither the lien of this Indenture nor any rights or remedies of the Trustee or the Noteholders shall be impaired by the recovery of any judgment by the Trustee against the Issuer or by the levy of any execution under the judgment on any portion of the Collateral or on any of the assets of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

### **ARTICLE VI.**

#### **THE TRUSTEE**

#### **Section 6.1. Certain Duties and Responsibilities.**

(a) Except during the continuance of an Event of Default:

(i) the Trustee undertakes to perform the duties and only the duties specifically provided in this Indenture, and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Indenture against the Trustee; and

(ii) in the absence of bad faith on its part, the Trustee may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements and the correctness of the opinions expressed therein, on certificates or opinions furnished to the Trustee and conforming to the requirements of this Indenture; the Trustee shall examine any certificates or opinions that by any provision of this Indenture are specifically required to be furnished to the Trustee to determine whether or not they substantially conform on their face to the requirements of this Indenture and shall promptly notify the party delivering the same if the certificate or opinion does not conform. If a corrected form has not been delivered to the Trustee within 15 days after the notice from the Trustee, the Trustee shall so notify the Noteholders and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares).

(b) If the Trustee has actual knowledge that an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall, before the receipt of directions from a Majority of the Controlling Class, exercise the rights and powers vested in it by this Indenture, and use the same degree of care and skill in its exercise, as a prudent Person would use under the circumstances in the conduct of the Person’s own affairs.

(c) No provision of this Indenture shall be construed to relieve the Trustee from liability for its own negligent action, its own negligent failure to act or its own willful misconduct, except that:

(i) this subsection shall not be construed to limit the effect of subsection (a) of this Section 6.1;

(ii) the Trustee shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by a Trust Officer, unless it is proven that the Trustee was negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts;

(iii) the Trustee shall not be liable with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in good faith in accordance with the direction of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or the Servicer in accordance with this Indenture or a Majority (or the other percentage required or permitted by this Indenture) of the Controlling Class (or other Class if required or permitted by this Indenture) relating to the time, method, and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred on the Trustee, under this Indenture; and

(iv) no provision of this Indenture shall require the Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any financial liability in the performance of any of its duties under this Indenture, or in the exercise of any of its rights contemplated under this Indenture, if it has reasonable grounds for believing that repayment of the funds or indemnity satisfactory to it against the risk or liability is not reasonably assured to it; provided that the reasonable costs of performing its ordinary services under this Indenture shall not be deemed a “financial liability” for purposes hereof.

(d) For all purposes under this Indenture, the Trustee shall not have notice or knowledge of any Event of Default described in Section 5.1(d) through 5.1(i) or any Default described in Section 5.1(e) through 5.1(i) unless a Trust Officer assigned to and working in the Corporate Trust Office has actual knowledge of it or unless written notice of any event that is in fact an Event of Default or Default is received by the Trustee at the Corporate Trust Office, and the notice references the Notes generally, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Collateral or this Indenture. For purposes of determining the Trustee’s responsibility and liability under this Indenture, whenever reference is made in this Indenture to an Event of Default or a Default, the reference shall be construed to refer only to an Event of Default or Default of which the Trustee has notice as described in this Section 6.1.

(e) Whether or not therein expressly so provided, every provision of this Indenture relating to the conduct or affecting the liability of or affording protection to the Trustee shall be subject to this Section 6.1 and Section 6.3.

## **Section 6.2. Notice of Default.**

Promptly (and in no event later than five Business Days) after the occurrence of any Default known to the Trustee or after any declaration of acceleration has been made or delivered to the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.2, the Trustee shall transmit notice of all Defaults under this Indenture known to the Trustee, unless the Default has been cured or waived, and of the declaration by mail to the Servicer and the Co-Issuers, each Rating Agency, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and to all Noteholders, as their names and addresses appear on the Indenture Register, the Irish Stock Exchange, for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit D certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee).

**Section 6.3. Certain Rights of Trustee.**

Except as otherwise provided in Section 6.1:

(a) the Trustee may rely and shall be protected in acting or refraining from acting on any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, note, or other paper or document (including but not limited to any reports prepared and delivered under Article 10) believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties;

(b) any request or direction of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer mentioned in this Indenture shall be sufficiently evidenced by an Issuer Request or Issuer Order;

(c) whenever in the administration of this Indenture the Trustee

(i) deems it desirable that a matter be proved or established before taking, suffering, or omitting any action under this Indenture, the Trustee may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely on an Officer's certificate (unless other evidence is specifically prescribed in this Indenture) or

(ii) is required to determine the value of, or any other matter with respect to, any Collateral or funds under this Indenture or the cash flows projected to be received therefrom, the Trustee may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely on reports of nationally recognized accountants, investment bankers or other persons qualified to provide the information required to make the determination, including nationally recognized dealers in securities of the type being valued and securities quotation services;

(d) as a condition to taking or omitting to take any action under this Indenture, the Trustee may consult with counsel and the advice of the counsel or any Opinion of Counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection with respect to any action taken or omitted by it under this Indenture in good faith and in reliance thereon;

(e) notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Trustee need not exercise any of the rights or powers vested in it by this Indenture at the request or direction of any of the Noteholders pursuant to this Indenture, unless the Holders have offered to the Trustee security or indemnity satisfactory to it against the costs and liabilities that might reasonably be incurred by it in compliance with the request or direction;

(f) the Trustee need not make any investigation into the facts or matters stated in any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, note or other paper or document, but the Trustee, in its discretion, may, and upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, subject to Section 6.3(e), shall, make any further inquiry or investigation into the facts or matters that it deems appropriate or as it is directed, and the Trustee shall be entitled, on reasonable prior notice to the Co-Issuers and the Servicer, to examine the books and records relating to the Notes, the Collateral, personally or by agent or attorney, during the Co-Issuers' or the Servicer's normal business hours. The Trustee shall, and shall cause its agents to, hold in confidence all such information, except to the extent (i) disclosure may be required by law by any regulatory or administrative authority and (ii) that the Trustee, in its sole judgment, determines that disclosure is consistent with its obligations under this Indenture; provided, however, that the Trustee may disclose on a confidential basis any such information to its agents, attorneys and auditors in connection with the performance of its responsibilities hereunder;

(g) the Trustee may execute any of the trusts or powers under this Indenture or perform any duties under this Indenture either directly or by or through agents or attorneys, and the Trustee shall not be responsible for any misconduct or negligence on the part of any non-Affiliated agent, or non-Affiliated attorney, appointed with due care by it under this Indenture;

(h) the Trustee shall not be liable for any action it takes or omits to take in good faith that it reasonably believes to be authorized or within its rights or powers under this Indenture;

(i) nothing in this Indenture shall be construed to impose an obligation on the Trustee to recalculate, evaluate, or verify any report, certificate or information received from the Issuer or Servicer;

(j) the Trustee may request and receive (and rely on) instruction from the Issuer, the Servicer, or the accountants identified in the Accountants' Certificate (and in the absence of its receipt of timely instruction from them, may obtain from an Independent accountant at the expense of the Issuer) as to the application of GAAP to the extent any defined term in this Indenture, or any calculation required to be made or determined by the Trustee under this Indenture, is dependent on or defined by reference to United States generally accepted accounting principles ("**GAAP**"), in any instance;

(k) the permissive rights of the Trustee to take or refrain from taking any actions enumerated in this Indenture are not duties;

(l) the Trustee is not responsible for the accuracy of the books and records of, or for any acts or omissions of, the Depository, any Transfer Agent, Custodian, Securities Intermediary, Collateral Administrator, Clearstream, Euroclear, Calculation Agent or any Paying Agent (in each case, other than the Bank acting in that capacity);

(m) in purchasing or disposing of any asset permitted by this Indenture, the Trustee is authorized to deal with itself (in its individual capacity) or with any one or more of its Affiliates, whether it or the Affiliate is acting as a subagent of the Trustee or for any third Person or dealing as principal for its own account. If otherwise qualified, obligations of the Bank or any of its Affiliates shall qualify as Eligible Investments under this Indenture; and

(n) if the Bank is also acting in the capacity of Paying Agent, Transfer Agent, Custodian, Calculation Agent or Securities Intermediary under this Indenture, the rights protections, immunities, and indemnities afforded to the Trustee pursuant to this Article 6 shall also be afforded to the Bank acting in those capacities.

#### **Section 6.4. Not Responsible for Recitals or Issuance of the Notes.**

The recitals contained in this Indenture and in the Notes, other than the Certificate of Authentication, shall be taken as the statements of the Applicable Issuers. The Trustee assumes no responsibility for their correctness. The Trustee makes no representation as to the validity or sufficiency of this Indenture (except as may be made with respect to the validity of the Trustee's obligations under this Indenture), the Collateral or the Notes. The Trustee shall not be accountable for the use or application by the Co-Issuers of the Notes or their proceeds or any money paid to the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture.

#### **Section 6.5. May Hold Notes.**

The Trustee, any Paying Agent, Indenture Registrar or any other agent of the Co-Issuers, in its individual or any other capacity, may become the owner or pledgee of Notes and may otherwise deal with



the Co-Issuers or any of their Affiliates with the same rights it would have if it were not Trustee, Paying Agent, Indenture Registrar or other agent.

#### **Section 6.6. Acquisition of Class D Notes and Preference Shares**

The Trustee, in its individual or any other capacity, agrees that after the initial distribution of the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares, neither the Trustee nor any of its affiliates (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) will acquire any Class D Notes or Preference Shares (including pursuant to a Maturity Extension and the Amendment Buy-Out Option) unless such acquisition would not, as determined by the Trustee in reliance on representations made in the applicable transfer certificates with respect thereto, result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding value of any of the Class D Notes, Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares (or any other class of Preference Shares) immediately after such acquisition (determined in accordance with the Plan Asset Regulation, this Indenture and the Preference Share Documents). Any Class D Notes or Preference Shares held as principal by the Trustee or any of its affiliates or by any other person who has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of a Co-Issuer or any person who provides investment advice with respect to a Co-Issuer's assets, or any person controlling, controlled by or under common control with a Co-Issuer, including by reason of having the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of a Co-Issuer (a "**Controlling Person**"), shall be disregarded and shall not be treated as outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% limitation to the extent that such person has represented that it is not a Benefit Plan Investor. Any transfer of a beneficial interest in any equity interest in the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person that would cause the 25% limitation to be breached (a "**Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor**") shall be void and any such purported transfer of which the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee has notice may be disregarded by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Trustee for all purposes.

#### **Section 6.7. Money Held in Trust.**

Money held by the Trustee under this Indenture shall be held in trust to the extent required in this Indenture. The Trustee shall be under no liability for interest on any money received by it under this Indenture except as otherwise agreed on with the Issuer and except to the extent of income or other gain on assets that are deposits in or certificates of deposit of the Bank in its commercial capacity and income or other gain actually received by the Trustee on Eligible Investments. Under no circumstances shall the Trustee be responsible for any losses on assets purchased in accordance with an Issuer Order or a written order or request by the Servicer, unless such asset is purchased in an obligation of the Trustee in its corporate capacity.

#### **Section 6.8. Compensation and Reimbursement.**

(a) The Issuer agrees:

(i) to pay the Trustee, in accordance with the Priority of Payments, on each Payment Date reasonable compensation for all services rendered by it under this Indenture in accordance with its letter agreement with the Trustee (which compensation shall not be limited by any provision of law in regard to the compensation of a trustee of an express trust);

(ii) except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture or in its letter agreement with the Trustee, to reimburse the Trustee in a timely manner upon its request for all reasonable expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or made by the Trustee in accordance with this Indenture (including securities transaction charges and the reasonable compensation and expenses

and disbursements of its agents and legal counsel and of any accounting firm or investment banking firm employed by the Trustee pursuant to Sections 5.4, 5.5, 10.5 or 10.7, except any such expense, disbursement or advance attributable to its negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith) but with respect to securities transaction charges, only to the extent they have not been waived during a Due Period due to the Trustee's receipt of a payment from a financial institution with respect to certain Eligible Investments, as specified by the Servicer;

(iii) to indemnify and hold harmless the Trustee and its officers, directors, employees and agents for any loss, liability or expense incurred without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith on their part, arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of this trust, including the costs and expenses of defending themselves (including reasonable attorney's fees and costs) against any claim or liability in connection with the exercise or performance of any of their powers or duties under this Indenture; and

(iv) to pay the Trustee reasonable additional compensation together with its expenses (including reasonable counsel fees and costs) for any collection action taken pursuant to Section 6.14. The indemnification set forth in Section 6.8(a)(ii) shall survive the termination of this Indenture.

(b) The Trustee shall receive amounts pursuant to this Section 6.8 as provided in Sections 11.1(a)(i) and (ii) but only to the extent that funds are available for their payment in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Subject to Section 6.10, the Trustee shall continue to serve as Trustee under this Indenture notwithstanding the fact that the Trustee has not received amounts due to it under this Indenture. No direction by the Noteholders shall affect the right of the Trustee to collect amounts owed to it under this Indenture. If on any date when a fee is payable to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture insufficient funds are available for its payment any portion of a fee not so paid shall be deferred and payable on the next date on which a fee is payable and sufficient funds are available for it.

(c) The Trustee agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy for the non-payment to the Trustee of any amounts provided by this Section 6.8 until at least one year and one day, or if longer the applicable preference period then in effect plus one day, after the payment in full of all Notes issued under this Indenture and the payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent of all amounts payable with respect to the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Nothing in this Section 6.8(c) shall prohibit or otherwise prevent the Trustee from filing proofs of claim in any bankruptcy, insolvency or similar proceeding.

#### **Section 6.9. Corporate Trustee Required; Eligibility.**

There shall at all times be a Trustee under this Indenture that is an Independent entity organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America or of any state of the United States, authorized under those laws to exercise corporate trust powers, having a combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000, subject to supervision or examination by federal or state banking authority, having a rating of at least "Baa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) by Moody's and at least "BBB+" by S&P, and having an office within the United States. In addition, the Trustee shall not be "affiliated" (within the meaning of Rule 405 under the Securities Act) with either of the Co-Issuers or any person involved in the organization or operation of either of the Co-Issuers and shall not provide credit or credit enhancement to either of the Co-Issuers. If the Trustee publishes reports of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or to the requirements of its supervising or examining authority, then for the purposes of this Section 6.9, the combined capital and surplus of the Trustee shall be its combined capital and surplus in its most recent published report of condition. If at any time the Trustee ceases to be

eligible in accordance with this Section 6.9, it shall resign immediately in the manner and with the effect specified in Section 6.10.

**Section 6.10. Resignation and Removal; Appointment of Successor.**

(a) No resignation or removal of the Trustee and no appointment of a successor Trustee pursuant to this Article 6 shall become effective until the acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee under Section 6.11. The indemnification in favor of the Trustee shall survive any resignation or removal of the Trustee.

(b) The Trustee may resign at any time by giving not less than 30 days written notice to the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency. Upon receiving the notice of resignation, the Co-Issuers shall at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class promptly appoint a successor trustee satisfying the requirements of Section 6.9, by written instrument, in duplicate, executed by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer and an Authorized Officer of the Co-Issuer, one copy of which shall be delivered to the resigning Trustee and one copy to the successor Trustee, together with a copy to each Noteholder, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and the Servicer. If no successor Trustee has been appointed and an instrument of acceptance by a successor Trustee has not been delivered to the Trustee within 60 days after the giving of the notice of resignation, the resigning Trustee or any Noteholder, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee satisfying the requirements of Section 6.9.

(c) The Trustee may be removed (i) at any time by an Act of a Majority of the Controlling Class, (ii) by order of a court of competent jurisdiction, delivered to the Trustee and to the Co-Issuers or (iii) so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, by the Issuer.

(d) If at any time:

(i) the Trustee ceases to be eligible under Section 6.9 and fails to resign after written request by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class; or

(ii) the Trustee becomes incapable of acting or is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent or a receiver or liquidator of the Trustee or of its property appointed or any public officer takes charge or control of the Trustee or of its property or affairs for the purpose of rehabilitation, conservation or liquidation,

then, in any such case (subject to Section 6.10(a)), (A) the Co-Issuers, by Issuer Order (as directed by Board Resolution), may, and at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall, remove the Trustee or (B) subject to Section 5.15, any Holder may, on behalf of itself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(e) If the Trustee is removed or becomes incapable of acting, or if a vacancy occurs in the office of the Trustee for any reason (other than resignation), the Co-Issuers, by Issuer Order (as directed by Board Resolution) or at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, shall promptly appoint a successor Trustee. If the Co-Issuers fail to appoint a successor Trustee within 60 days after the removal or incapability or the occurrence of the vacancy, a successor Trustee may be appointed by a Majority of

the Controlling Class by written instrument delivered to the Issuer and the retiring Trustee. The successor Trustee so appointed shall, upon its acceptance of its appointment, become the successor Trustee and supersede any successor Trustee proposed by the Co-Issuers. If no successor Trustee has been so appointed by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class and accepted appointment pursuant to Section 6.11, subject to Section 5.15, then the Trustee to be replaced, or any Holder, may, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(f) The Co-Issuers shall give prompt notice of each resignation and each removal of the Trustee and each appointment of a successor Trustee by mailing written notice of the event by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the Servicer, to each Rating Agency, to the Noteholders as their names and addresses appear in the Indenture Register, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares). Each notice shall include the name of the successor Trustee and the address of its Corporate Trust Office. If the Co-Issuers fail to mail the notice within ten days after acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee, the successor Trustee shall cause the notice to be given at the expense of the Co-Issuers.

#### **Section 6.11. Acceptance of Appointment by Successor.**

Every successor Trustee appointed under this Indenture shall execute, acknowledge, and deliver to the Co-Issuers and the retiring Trustee an instrument accepting its appointment. Upon delivery of the required instruments, the resignation or removal of the retiring Trustee shall become effective and the successor Trustee, without any further act, shall become vested with all the rights and obligations of the retiring Trustee; but, on request of the Co-Issuers or a Majority of any Class of Notes or the successor Trustee, the retiring Trustee shall, upon payment of any amounts then due to it, execute and deliver an instrument transferring to the successor Trustee all the rights and obligations of the retiring Trustee, and shall duly assign, transfer and deliver to the successor Trustee all property and money held by the retiring Trustee under this Indenture. Upon request of any successor Trustee, the Co-Issuers shall execute any instruments to more fully and certainly vest in and confirm to the successor Trustee all the rights and obligations of the Trustee under this Indenture.

No successor Trustee shall accept its appointment unless at the time of its acceptance the successor is qualified and eligible under Section 6.9 and either (a) each Rating Agency has been notified and the successor has long-term debt rated within the four highest rating categories by each Rating Agency, or (b) if not rated within the four highest categories by each Rating Agency, the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto.

#### **Section 6.12. Merger, Conversion, Consolidation, or Succession to Business of Trustee.**

Any entity into which the Trustee may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any entity resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Trustee is a party, or any entity succeeding to all or substantially all of the corporate trust business of the Trustee, shall be the successor of the Trustee under this Indenture (and of the Bank under all of its other capacities under this Indenture, including as Custodian, Securities Intermediary, Indenture Registrar and Paying Agent) without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto. If any of the Notes have been authenticated, but not delivered, by the Trustee then in office, any successor by merger, conversion or consolidation to the authenticating Trustee may adopt the authentication and deliver the Notes so authenticated with the same effect as if the successor Trustee had itself authenticated the Notes.

### **Section 6.13. Co-Trustees.**

At any time, to meet the legal requirements of any jurisdiction in which any part of the Collateral may at the time be located, the Co-Issuers and the Trustee may appoint a co-trustee (subject to the approval of the Rating Agencies) to act jointly with the Trustee, with respect to all or any part of the Collateral, with the power to file proofs of claim and take any other actions pursuant to Section 5.6 in this Indenture and to make claims and enforce rights of action on behalf of the Noteholders, as the Holders themselves have the right to do, subject to the other provisions of this Section 6.13.

The Co-Issuers shall join with the Trustee in the execution, delivery and performance of all instruments and agreements necessary or proper to appoint a co-trustee. If the Co-Issuers do not join in the appointment within 15 days after they receive a request to do so, the Trustee may make the appointment.

Any instruments to more fully confirm a co-trustee's appointment shall, on request, be executed, acknowledged and delivered by the Co-Issuers. The Co-Issuers agree to pay (but only from and to the extent of the Collateral), to the extent funds are available therefor under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1), any reasonable fees and expenses in connection with the appointment.

Every co-trustee shall, to the extent permitted by law, but to that extent only, be appointed subject to the following terms:

(a) the Notes shall be authenticated and delivered and all rights and obligations under this Indenture in respect of the custody of securities, cash and other personal property held by, or required to be deposited or pledged with, the Trustee under this Indenture, shall be exercised solely by the Trustee;

(b) the rights and obligations conferred or imposed on the Trustee in respect of any property covered by the appointment of a co-trustee shall be conferred or imposed on and exercised or performed by the Trustee or by the Trustee and the co-trustee jointly as provided in the instrument appointing the co-trustee;

(c) the Trustee at any time, by an instrument in writing executed by it, with the concurrence of the Co-Issuers evidenced by an Issuer Order, may accept the resignation of or remove any co-trustee appointed under this Section 6.13, and if an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall have the power to accept the resignation of, or remove, any co-trustee without the concurrence of the Co-Issuers. A successor to any co-trustee so resigned or removed may be appointed in the manner provided in this Section 6.13;

(d) no co-trustee under this Indenture shall be personally liable because of any act or omission of the Trustee under this Indenture;

(e) the Trustee shall not be liable because of any act or omission of a co-trustee; and

(f) any Act of Noteholders delivered to the Trustee shall be deemed to have been delivered to each co-trustee.

### **Section 6.14. Certain Duties of Trustee Related to Delayed Payment of Proceeds.**

If in any month the Trustee has not received a payment with respect to any Pledged Obligation on its Due Date:

(a) the Trustee shall promptly notify the Issuer and the Servicer in writing, and

(b) unless the payment is received by the Trustee within three Business Days (or the end of the applicable grace period for the payment, if longer) after the notice, or unless the Issuer, in its absolute discretion (but only to the extent permitted by Section 10.2(a)), makes provision for the payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with Section 10.2(a),

the Trustee shall request the issuer of the Pledged Obligation, the trustee under the related Underlying Instrument, or paying agent designated by either of them to make the payment as soon as practicable after the request but in no event later than three Business Days after the date of the request. If the payment is not made within that time period, the Trustee, subject to clause (iv) of Section 6.1(c), shall take the action directed by the Servicer in writing. Any such action shall be without prejudice to any right to claim a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture. If the Issuer or the Servicer requests a release of a Pledged Obligation or delivers a Collateral Obligation in connection with any such action under the Servicing Agreement, the release or substitution shall be subject to Section 10.6 and Article 12. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the Trustee shall deliver to the Issuer or its designee any payment with respect to any Pledged Obligation or any Collateral Obligation received after its Due Date to the extent the Issuer previously made provisions for the payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with this Section 6.14 and the payment shall not be part of the Collateral.

#### **Section 6.15. Authenticating Agents.**

Upon the request of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee shall, and if the Trustee so chooses the Trustee may, appoint one or more Authenticating Agents with power to act on its behalf and subject to its direction in the authentication of the Notes in connection with issuance, transfers, and exchanges under Sections 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, and 8.5, as fully to all intents and purposes as though each Authenticating Agent had been expressly authorized by those Sections to authenticate the Notes. For all purposes of this Indenture, the authentication of Notes by an Authenticating Agent pursuant to this Section 6.15 shall be the authentication of the Notes “by the Trustee.”

Any Authenticating Agent may at any time resign by giving written notice of resignation to the Trustee and the Issuer. The Trustee may at any time terminate the agency of any Authenticating Agent by giving written notice of termination to the Authenticating Agent and the Co-Issuers.

The Co-Issuers agree to pay to each Authenticating Agent from time to time reasonable compensation for its services, and reimbursement for its reasonable expenses relating to its services as an Administrative Expense; provided, however, that if the Trustee elects to appoint an Authenticating Agent without the approval or request of the Co-Issuers, then the Trustee shall pay such compensation and reimbursement. Sections 2.9, 6.4, and 6.5 shall be applicable to any Authenticating Agent.

#### **Section 6.16. Fiduciary for Noteholders Only; Agent for Secured Parties.**

With respect to the security interest created under this Indenture, the delivery of any Pledged Obligation to the Trustee is to the Trustee as representative of the Noteholders and agent for the other Secured Parties. In furtherance of the foregoing, the possession by the Trustee of any Pledged Obligation and the endorsement to or registration in the name of the Trustee of any Pledged Obligation (including as entitlement holder of the Custodial Account) are all undertaken by the Trustee in its capacity as representative of the Noteholders and agent for the other Secured Parties.

#### **Section 6.17. Representations and Warranties of the Bank.**

The Bank represents and warrants as follows for the benefit of the Noteholders:

(a) Organization. The Bank has been duly organized and is validly existing as a national banking association and has the power to conduct its business and affairs as a trustee.

(b) Authorization; Binding Obligations. The Bank has the corporate power and authority to perform the duties and obligations of trustee under this Indenture. The Bank has taken all necessary corporate action to authorize the execution, delivery and performance of this Indenture, and all of the documents required to be executed by the Bank pursuant to this Indenture. Upon execution and delivery by the Bank, this Indenture will be the valid and legally binding obligation of the Bank enforceable in accordance with its terms.

(c) Eligibility. The Bank is eligible under Section 6.9 to serve as Trustee under this Indenture.

#### **Section 6.18. Additional Reporting Requirements.**

If the Placement Agent elects to enter into a posting dealer agreement pursuant to Section 7.20, upon the effectiveness of the posting dealer agreement, the Issuer shall provide to The Bond Market Association certain documents for posting in the Repository as mutually agreed between the Servicer and the Placement Agent.

If the Placement Agent has entered into a posting dealer agreement, as promptly as possible following the execution of any supplemental indenture under Article 8, the Trustee at the expense of the Issuer shall deliver a copy of such supplemental indenture to the Repository in the manner described in Section 14.3(a)(viii).

### **ARTICLE VII.**

#### **COVENANTS**

#### **Section 7.1. Payment of Principal and Interest.**

The Applicable Issuers shall pay the principal of and interest on the Notes in accordance with the Notes and this Indenture.

The Issuer shall, subject to the Priority of Payments, reimburse the Co-Issuer for any amounts paid by the Co-Issuer pursuant to the Senior Notes or this Indenture. The Co-Issuer shall not reimburse the Issuer for any amounts paid by the Issuer pursuant to the Notes or this Indenture.

Amounts properly withheld under the Code or other applicable law by any Person from a payment to any Holder shall be considered as having been paid by the Applicable Issuers to the Holder for all purposes of this Indenture.

All payments under the Class A-1B Notes to any Holder thereof will be made by the Issuer without any deduction or withholding for or on account of any Tax unless such deduction or withholding is required by any applicable law, as modified by the practice of any relevant governmental revenue authority, then in effect. If the Issuer is so required to deduct or withhold, then the Issuer (or its agent) will: (i) notify each affected Holder of such requirement no later than ten days prior to the date of the payment from which amounts are required to be withheld (provided that, despite the failure of the Issuer to give such notice, amounts withheld pursuant to applicable laws shall be considered as having been paid

by the Co-Issuers as provided above); (ii) pay to the relevant authorities the full amount required to be deducted or withheld promptly upon the earlier of determining that such deduction or withholding is required or receiving notice that such amount has been assessed against the affected Holder; and (iii) promptly forward to the affected Holder documentation reasonably acceptable to the affected Holder evidencing such payment to such authorities.

## **Section 7.2. Maintenance of Office or Agency.**

The Co-Issuers appoint the Trustee as a Paying Agent for the payment of principal of and interest on the Notes. The Co-Issuers appoint Investors Bank & Trust Company, 200 Clarendon Street, Boston, MA 02116 Attn: CDO Services, Brentwood CLO, Ltd., as the Co-Issuers' agent where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Notes or this Indenture may be served and where the Notes may be surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

The Co-Issuers may at any time and from time to time vary or terminate the appointment of any Paying Agent or appoint any additional agents for all of these purposes.

The Co-Issuers shall maintain in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, an office or agency where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Notes and this Indenture may be served, which office will initially be the office of Investors Bank & Trust Company, 33 Maiden Lane, 4th Floor, NY, NY 10038 and an office or agency outside of the United States where the Notes may be presented and surrendered for payment.

No paying agent shall be appointed in a jurisdiction that subjects payments on the Notes to withholding tax.

So long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, the Co-Issuers shall maintain in Ireland a Paying Agent and an office or agency where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Senior Notes and this Indenture may be served and where the Senior Notes may be surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

The Co-Issuers appoint, for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, Custom House Administration and Listing Services Ltd. (the "***Irish Paying Agent***") as Paying Agent in Ireland with respect to the Senior Notes, for the payment of principal, interest and other distributions on the Senior Notes and as the Co-Issuers' agent where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Senior Notes or this Indenture may be served. If the Irish Paying Agent is replaced at any time when any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, notice of the appointment of any replacement shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange as promptly as practicable after the appointment. The Co-Issuers shall give prompt written notice to the Trustee, each Rating Agency, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and the Holders of the Senior Notes of the appointment or termination of any such agent and of the location and any change in the location of any such office or agency.

If at any time the Co-Issuers fail to maintain any required office or agency in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, or outside the United States, or fail to furnish the Trustee with their addresses, notices and demands may be served on the Co-Issuers.

## **Section 7.3. Money for Note Payments to be Held in Trust.**



All payments of amounts payable with respect to any Notes that are to be made from amounts withdrawn from the Payment Account shall be made on behalf of the Applicable Issuers by the Trustee or a Paying Agent with respect to payments on the Notes.

When the Applicable Issuers have a Paying Agent that is not also the Indenture Registrar, they shall furnish not later than the fifth calendar day after each Record Date a list in the form the Paying Agent reasonably requests, of the names and addresses of the Holders and of the certificate numbers of individual Notes held by each Holder.

Whenever the Applicable Issuers have a Paying Agent other than the Trustee, they shall, on or before the Business Day before each Payment Date, Refinancing Date or Redemption Date direct the Trustee to deposit on the Payment Date with the Paying Agent an aggregate sum sufficient to pay the amounts then becoming due (to the extent funds are then available for that purpose in the Payment Account), that sum to be held in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled to it and (unless the Paying Agent is the Trustee) the Co-Issuers shall promptly notify the Trustee of its action or failure so to act. Any monies deposited with a Paying Agent (other than the Trustee) in excess of an amount sufficient to pay the amounts then becoming due on the Notes with respect to which the deposit was made shall be paid over by the Paying Agent to the Trustee for application in accordance with Article 10.

Additional or successor Paying Agents shall be appointed by Issuer Order with written notice of the appointment to the Trustee. So long as Notes of any Class are rated by a Rating Agency any Paying Agent must either have a long-term debt rating of "Aa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or higher by Moody's and "AA-" or higher by S&P or a short-term debt rating of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P or the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency must be satisfied with respect to its appointment. If a successor Paying Agent ceases to have a long-term debt rating of "Aa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or higher by Moody's and "AA-" or higher by S&P or a short-term debt rating of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) by Moody's and a short-term debt rating of "A-1+" by S&P, the Co-Issuers shall promptly remove the Paying Agent and appoint a successor Paying Agent. The Co-Issuers shall not appoint any Paying Agent that is not, at the time of the appointment, a depository institution or trust company subject to supervision and examination by federal or state or national banking authorities. The Co-Issuers shall cause each Paying Agent other than the Trustee to execute and deliver to the Trustee an instrument in which the Paying Agent agrees with the Trustee, subject to this Section 7.3, that the Paying Agent will:

(a) allocate all sums received for payment to the Noteholders for which it acts as Paying Agent on each Payment Date, Refinancing Date and any Redemption Date among the Holders in the proportion specified in the applicable report to the extent permitted by applicable law;

(b) hold all sums held by it for the payment of amounts due with respect to the Notes in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled to them until they are paid or otherwise disposed of as provided in this Indenture;

(c) immediately resign as a Paying Agent and forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums held by it in trust for the payment of the Notes if at any time it ceases to meet the standards required to be met by a Paying Agent at the time of its appointment;

(d) immediately give the Trustee notice of any default by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer (or any other obligor on the Notes) in the making of any payment required to be made; and

(e) during the continuance of any such default, upon the written request of the Trustee, forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums so held in trust by the Paying Agent.

To obtain the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture or for any other purpose, the Co-Issuers may at any time pay, or by Issuer Order direct any Paying Agent to pay, to the Trustee all sums held in trust by the Co-Issuers or the Paying Agent, and, upon the payment by any Paying Agent to the Trustee, the Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to the money paid.

Any money deposited with a Paying Agent and not previously returned that remains unclaimed for 20 Business Days shall be returned to the Trustee. Except as otherwise required by applicable law, any money deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for the payment of the principal or interest on any Note and remaining unclaimed for two years after the principal or interest has become payable shall be paid to the Applicable Issuers. The Noteholder shall thereafter look only to the Applicable Issuers for payment of the amounts due to it as an unsecured general creditor and all liability of the Trustee or the Paying Agent with respect to that money (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Applicable Issuers) shall thereupon cease. The Trustee or the Paying Agent, before being required to release any payment, may, but shall not be required to, adopt and employ, at the expense of the Applicable Issuers any reasonable means of notification of the release of the payment, including mailing notice of the release to Holders whose Notes have been called but have not been surrendered for redemption or whose right to or interest in monies payable but not claimed is determinable from the records of any Paying Agent, at the last address of record of each Holder.

#### **Section 7.4. Existence of Co-Issuers.**

(a) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall, to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law, maintain in full force their existence and rights as companies incorporated or organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands and the State of Delaware, respectively, and shall obtain and preserve their qualification to do business as foreign corporations in each jurisdiction in which the qualifications are necessary to protect the validity and enforceability of this Indenture, the Notes, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and any of the Collateral.

However, the Issuer may change its jurisdiction of incorporation from the Cayman Islands to any other jurisdiction reasonably selected by the Issuer so long as:

(i) the Issuer has received a legal opinion (on which the Trustee may rely) to the effect that the change is not disadvantageous in any material respect to the Holders, the Servicer or any Hedge Counterparty,

(ii) written notice of the change has been given by the Issuer to the Trustee, the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer, any Hedge Counterparty and each Rating Agency, and

(iii) on or before the 15th Business Day following its receipt of the notice the Trustee has not received written notice from a Majority of the Controlling Class objecting to the change.

The Issuer may take any action required by this Indenture within the United States notwithstanding any provision of this Indenture requiring the Issuer to take the action outside of the United States so long as before taking the action the Issuer receives a legal opinion from nationally recognized legal counsel to the effect that it is not necessary to take the action outside of the United States or any political subdivision of the United States to prevent the Issuer from becoming subject to any United States federal, state, or local withholding or other taxes.

(b) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall ensure that all corporate or other formalities regarding their respective existences (including holding regular board of directors' and shareholders', or other similar, meetings to the extent required by applicable law) are followed. Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall take any action or conduct its affairs in a manner that is likely to result in its separate existence being ignored or in its assets and liabilities being substantively consolidated with any other Person in a bankruptcy, reorganization or other insolvency proceeding. Without limiting the foregoing,

(i) the Issuer shall not have any subsidiaries other than the Co-Issuer or as contemplated by the provisions of the Servicing Agreement,

(ii) the Co-Issuer shall not have any subsidiaries,

(iii) the Issuer shall maintain at all times at least one director who is Independent of the Servicer, the Trustee and any of their respective Affiliates,

(iv) the Issuer shall not commingle its funds with the funds of any other Person, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture, and

(v) except to the extent contemplated in the Servicing Agreement, the Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Investors Corp. Subscription Agreement and the declaration of trust by the Share Trustee, the Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall not:

(A) engage in any transaction with any shareholder that would be a conflict of interest (the entry into the Administration Agreement with the Administrator shall not be deemed a conflict of interest), or

(B) pay dividends in violation of this Indenture, the resolutions of its board of directors and the Preference Share Documents.

#### **Section 7.5. Protection of Collateral.**

(a) The Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will procure any action within the Servicer's control that is reasonably necessary to maintain the perfection and priority of the security interest of the Trustee in the Collateral. The Issuer from time to time shall execute and deliver any supplements and amendments to this Indenture and shall execute and deliver any Financing Statements, continuation statements, instruments of further assurance, and other instruments and shall take any other action appropriate to secure the rights and remedies of the Secured Parties under this Indenture and to:

(i) Grant more effectively all or any portion of the Collateral;

(ii) maintain or preserve the lien (and its priority) of this Indenture or to carry out more effectively the purposes of this Indenture;

(iii) perfect, publish notice of, or protect the validity of, any Grant made by this Indenture (including any actions appropriate as a result of changes in law);

(iv) enforce any of the Pledged Obligations or other instruments or property included in the Collateral;

(v) preserve and defend title to the Collateral and the rights of the Secured Parties in the Collateral against the claims of anyone; and

(vi) pay when due all taxes levied or assessed on any part of the Collateral.

The Issuer designates the Servicer as its agent and attorney in fact to execute any Financing Statement, continuation statement, and all other instruments, and take all other actions, required pursuant to this Section 7.5.

The Issuer authorizes the filing without the Issuer's signature a financing statement that names the Issuer as "debtor" and Investors Bank and Trust as "secured party" (with or without indicating its capacity as Trustee hereunder) and that describes the Collateral as "all assets of the debtor, whether now owned or hereafter acquired and wherever located."

(b) The Trustee shall not:

(i) except in accordance with Section 10.6(a), (b) or (c), remove any portion of the Collateral that consists of Cash or is evidenced by an instrument, certificate or other writing:

(A) from the jurisdiction in which it was held at the date the most recent Opinion of Counsel was delivered pursuant to Section 7.6 (or from the jurisdiction in which it was held as described in the Opinions of Counsel delivered at the Closing Date pursuant to Section 3.1(iii) if no Opinion of Counsel has yet been delivered pursuant to Section 7.6), or

(B) from the possession of the Person who held it (other than the Bank), or

(ii) cause or permit ownership or the pledge of any portion of the Collateral that consists of book-entry securities to be recorded on the books of a Person (other than the Bank):

(A) located in a different jurisdiction from the jurisdiction in which the ownership or pledge was recorded, or

(B) other than the Person on whose books the ownership or pledge was originally recorded, unless the Trustee shall have first received an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the lien and security interest created by this Indenture with respect to the property and its priority will continue to be maintained after giving effect to the change.

(c) Without at least 30 days' prior written notice to the Trustee and the Servicer, the Issuer shall not change its "location" (as defined in Section 9-307 of the UCC) or change its name from the name shown on the signature pages of this Indenture.

(d) The Issuer shall, subject to the Priority of Payments, enforce all of its material rights and remedies under the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, each Hedge Agreement and each Securities Lending Agreement.

(e) The Issuer shall pay any taxes levied because any Pledged Obligations are owned by the Issuer.

(f) The Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will either exercise the "put" option that prevents a Collateral Obligation from being a Long-Dated Collateral Obligation on the last available date before the

Stated Maturity of the Notes or sell the Collateral Obligation for Sale Proceeds at least equal to the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation, in either case by the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

**Section 7.6. Opinions as to Collateral.**

On or before January 31 in each calendar year, commencing in 2008, the Issuer shall furnish to the Trustee, the Servicer and each Rating Agency an Opinion of Counsel from each relevant jurisdiction stating that, in the counsel's opinion, as of the date of the opinion, all actions necessary to maintain the lien and security interest created by this Indenture with respect to the Collateral have been taken and that no further action (other than as specified in the opinion) needs to be taken for the continued effectiveness and perfection of the lien over the next year. The opinion may be subject to customary assumptions and qualifications.

**Section 7.7. Performance of Obligations.**

(a) The Co-Issuers, each as to itself, shall not take any action, and shall use their reasonable commercial efforts not to permit any action to be taken by others, that would release any Person from any of the Person's covenants or obligations under any instrument included in the Collateral, except in the case of enforcement action taken with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this Indenture and actions by the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and in conformity with this Indenture or as otherwise required by this Indenture.

(b) The Applicable Issuers may, with the prior written consent of a Majority of each Class of Notes and a Majority of the Preference Shares (except in the case of the Servicing Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement as initially executed), contract with other Persons (including the Servicer, the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator) for the performance of actions and obligations to be performed by the Applicable Issuers under this Indenture. Notwithstanding any such arrangement, the Applicable Issuers shall remain primarily liable for performance under this Indenture. The Applicable Issuers shall punctually perform, and use their reasonable commercial efforts to cause the Servicer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and any other Person to perform, all of their obligations in the Servicing Agreement, this Indenture, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement or any other agreement.

**Section 7.8. Negative Covenants.**

(a) The Issuer shall not and, with respect to clauses (ii), (iii), (iv), (vi), (ix), (x) and (xii) the Co-Issuer shall not, in each case from and after the Closing Date:

(i) sell, transfer, assign, exchange, or otherwise dispose of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecate, or otherwise encumber (or permit or suffer the sale, transfer, assignment, exchange, or other disposition of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecation, or other encumbering of), any part of the Collateral, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and the Servicing Agreement;

(ii) claim any credit on, make any deduction from, or, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable laws, dispute the enforceability of payment of the principal or interest (or any other amount) payable in respect of the Notes (other than amounts withheld in accordance with the Code or any applicable laws of the Cayman Islands) or assert any claim against any present or future Noteholder because of the payment of any taxes levied or assessed on any part of the Collateral;

(iii) (A) incur or assume or guarantee any indebtedness, other than the Notes and this Indenture and the transactions contemplated by this Indenture (including, as contemplated hereby, entering into the Hedge Agreements and Securities Lending Agreements) or (B) issue any additional class of securities other than the Preference Shares issued on or before the Closing Date, except as otherwise permitted by the Preference Share Documents;

(iv) (A) permit the validity or effectiveness of this Indenture or any Grant under this Indenture to be impaired, or permit the lien of this Indenture to be amended, hypothecated, subordinated, terminated, or discharged or permit any Person to be released from any covenants or obligations with respect to this Indenture or the Notes, except as may be expressly permitted by this Indenture or by the Servicing Agreement, (B) permit any lien, charge, adverse claim, security interest, mortgage or other encumbrance (other than the lien of this Indenture) to be created on or extend to or otherwise arise on or burden any part of the Collateral, any interest in it, or its proceeds of or (C) take any action that would permit the lien of this Indenture not to be a valid first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral;

(v) amend the Servicing Agreement except pursuant to its terms and Section 15.1(h) or amend the Collateral Administration Agreement except pursuant to its terms unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the amendment or enter into any waiver in respect of any of the foregoing agreements without providing written notice to each Rating Agency and the Trustee (and, with respect to the Collateral Administration Agreement, without the consent of the Trustee);

(vi) to the extent permitted by applicable law, dissolve or liquidate in whole or in part, except as permitted under this Indenture;

(vii) pay any dividends or other distributions other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents;

(viii) conduct business under any name other than its own;

(ix) have any employees (other than directors and officers to the extent they are employees);

(x) fail to correct any known misunderstanding regarding the separate identity of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer;

(xi) commingle assets with the assets of any other entity;

(xii) take any action reasonably likely to result in the consolidation of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer; or

(xiii) except for any Underlying Instrument and agreements involving the purchase or sale of Collateral Obligations having customary purchase or sale terms and documented with customary trading documentation (but not excepting any Synthetic Security or Hedge Agreement), enter into any agreement unless the agreement contains “non-petition” and “limited recourse” provisions and shall not amend such “non-petition” and “limited recourse” provisions without prior Rating Confirmation.

(b) Neither the Issuer nor the Trustee shall sell, transfer, exchange or otherwise dispose of Collateral, or enter into an agreement or commitment to do so, or enter into or engage in any business

with respect to any part of the Collateral, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer, the Servicing Agreement.

(c) The Co-Issuer shall not invest any of its assets in “securities” as the term is defined in the Investment Company Act, and shall keep all of its assets in Cash.

(d) Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall use the proceeds of the Notes to buy or carry Margin Stock.

**Section 7.9. Notice of Default; Statement as to Compliance.**

(a) The Co-Issuers shall notify the Trustee, the Servicer, the Rating Agencies and each Hedge Counterparty within 10 days of acquiring actual knowledge of Default.

(b) On or before January 31 in each calendar year, commencing in 2008, the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee (to be forwarded by the Trustee to the Servicer and each Noteholder making a written request therefor and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit D certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) and each Rating Agency) a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer that, to the best knowledge of the Issuer, no Default exists, and has not existed since the date of the last certificate or, if a Default does then exist or had existed, specifying the same and its nature and status, including actions undertaken to remedy it, and that the Issuer has complied with all of its obligations under this Indenture or, if that is not the case, specifying those obligations with which it has not complied.

**Section 7.10. Co-Issuers May Consolidate, etc., Only on Certain Terms.**

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer (the “*Merging Entity*”) shall consolidate or merge with or into any other Person or transfer or convey all or substantially all of its assets to any Person, unless permitted by Cayman Islands law (in the case of the Issuer) or United States and Delaware law (in the case of the Co-Issuer) and unless:

(a) the Merging Entity shall be the surviving corporation, or the Person (if other than the Merging Entity) formed by the consolidation or into which the Merging Entity is merged or to which all or substantially all of the assets of the Merging Entity are transferred (the “*Successor Entity*”),

(i) if the Merging Entity is the Issuer, is a company organized and existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands or another jurisdiction approved by a Majority of the Controlling Class (except that no approval shall be required in connection with any such transaction undertaken solely to effect a change in the jurisdiction of incorporation pursuant to Section 7.4), and

(ii) in any case shall expressly assume, by an indenture supplemental to this Indenture, executed and delivered to the Trustee and each Noteholder, the due and punctual payment of all amounts on all Notes issued by the Merging Entity and the performance and observance of every covenant of this Indenture on its part to be performed or observed, all as provided in this Indenture;

(b) each Rating Agency shall have been notified of the consolidation, merger, transfer, or conveyance and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the transaction;

(c) if the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall have agreed with the Trustee,

(i) to observe the same legal requirements for the recognition of the formed or surviving corporation as a legal entity separate and apart from any of its Affiliates as are applicable to the Merging Entity with respect to its Affiliates,

(ii) not to consolidate or merge with or into any other Person or transfer or convey the Collateral or all or substantially all of its assets to any other Person except in accordance with this Section 7.10; and

(iii) in any case shall expressly assume by an indenture supplemental to this Indenture, executed and delivered to the Trustee, each Noteholder and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the due and punctual payment of all amounts on all the Notes issued by the Merging Entity and the performance and observance of every covenant of this Indenture on its part to be performed or observed, all as provided in this Indenture;

(d) if the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall have delivered to the Trustee and each Rating Agency an Officer's certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that it is duly organized, validly existing, and in good standing in the jurisdiction in which it is organized; that it has sufficient power and authority to assume the obligations in subsection (a) above and to execute and deliver an indenture supplemental to this Indenture for the purpose of assuming the obligations in subsection (a) above; that it has duly authorized the execution, delivery, and performance of an indenture supplemental to this Indenture for the purpose of assuming the obligations in subsection (a) above and that the supplemental indenture is its valid and legally binding obligation, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject only to bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium, and other laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally and to general principles of equity; if the Merging Entity is the Issuer, that, following the event that causes the Successor Entity to become the successor to the Issuer, (i) the Successor Entity has title, free of any lien, security interest, or charge, other than the lien and security interest of this Indenture, to the Collateral, and (ii) the lien of this Indenture continues to be effective in the Collateral; and in each case as to any other matters the Trustee or any Noteholder reasonably requires;

(e) after giving effect to the transaction, no Default or Event of Default shall be continuing;

(f) the Merging Entity shall have notified each Rating Agency of the consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance and shall have delivered to the Trustee, each Noteholder and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) an Officer's certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that the consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance and the supplemental indenture comply with this Article 7 and that all conditions precedent in this Article 7 relating to the transaction have been complied with and that no adverse tax consequences will result therefrom to the Holders of the Securities;

(g) the Merging Entity shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel stating that after giving effect to the transaction, neither of the Co-Issuers (or, if applicable, the Successor Entity) will be required to register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act; and

(h) after giving effect to the transaction, the outstanding stock of the Merging Entity (or, if applicable, the Successor Entity) will not be beneficially owned within the meaning of the Investment Company Act by any U.S. Person.



### **Section 7.11. Successor Substituted.**

Upon any consolidation or merger, or transfer or conveyance of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, in accordance with Section 7.10 in which the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall succeed to, and be substituted for, and may exercise every right of, the Merging Entity under this Indenture with the same effect as if the Person had been named as the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, in this Indenture. Upon any such consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance, the Person named as the “Issuer” or the “Co-Issuer” in the first paragraph of this Indenture or any successor may be dissolved, wound up and liquidated at any time thereafter, and the Person thereafter shall be released from its liabilities as obligor and maker on all the Notes and from its obligations under this Indenture.

### **Section 7.12. No Other Business.**

(a) From and after the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not engage in any business or activity other than issuing and selling the Notes pursuant to this Indenture and the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents and acquiring, owning, holding, engaging in Securities Lending and pledging and selling Collateral Obligations and the other Collateral in connection therewith, and shall not act as agent, negotiator or structurer with respect to any Collateral, act as a participant in negotiating terms of a primary loan agreement, enter into a binding commitment to purchase any Collateral prior to the issuance thereof or engage in any transaction or activity not permitted by the Servicing Agreement or which the Issuer knows would cause it to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States within the meaning of the Code or subject the Issuer’s income to taxation on a net basis in any jurisdiction, and the Co-Issuer shall not engage in any business or activity other than issuing and selling the Notes to be issued by it pursuant to this Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, other activities appropriate to accomplish the foregoing or incidental thereto or connected therewith.

(b) In furtherance and not in limitation of clause (a) of this Section 7.12, the Issuer shall comply with all of the provisions set forth in the Servicing Agreement, unless, with respect to a particular transaction, the Issuer and the Trustee shall have received an opinion or advice of tax counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters that, under the relevant facts and circumstances with respect to such transaction, the Issuer’s failure to comply with one or more of such provisions will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States within the meaning of the Code or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis. The provisions set forth in the Servicing Agreement may be amended, eliminated or supplemented (without execution of a supplemental indenture) if the Issuer and the Trustee shall have received an opinion of tax counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters that the Issuer’s compliance with such amended provisions or supplemental provisions or the Issuer’s failure to comply with such provisions proposed to be eliminated, as the case may be, will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States within the meaning of the Code or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis and, at the request of the Issuer, the Trustee is hereby authorized to enter into any amendment of the Servicing Agreement under such circumstances; provided, however, that written notice of any such amendment, elimination or supplementation of or to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement pursuant to this Section 7.12(b) shall be provided to each Rating Agency then rating any Outstanding Class of Notes within 90 days of any such amendment, elimination or supplementation. For the avoidance of doubt, in the event an opinion of tax counsel as described above has been obtained in accordance with the terms hereof, no consent of any Noteholder or satisfaction of the Rating Condition shall be required in order to comply with this Section 7.12(b) in connection with the amendment, elimination or supplementation of any provision of the Servicing Agreement contemplated by such opinion of tax counsel.

(c) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer may amend, or permit the amendment of, their Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles or the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the amendment (but not otherwise).

### **Section 7.13. Listing on Irish Stock Exchange.**

So long as any Senior Notes remain Outstanding, the Co-Issuers shall use all reasonable efforts to obtain and maintain the listing of the Senior Notes on the Irish Stock Exchange.

### **Section 7.14. Annual Rating Review.**

So long as any Notes of any Class remain Outstanding, on or before January 31 in each year commencing in 2008, the Co-Issuers shall obtain and pay for an annual review or ongoing surveillance of the rating of each Outstanding Class of Notes from each Rating Agency, as applicable. The Co-Issuers shall promptly notify the Trustee and the Servicer in writing (and the Trustee shall promptly provide a copy of the notice to the Noteholders) and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) if at any time the rating of any Class of Notes has been, or is known will be, changed or withdrawn.

### **Section 7.15. Reporting.**

At any time when the Co-Issuers are not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act and are not exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act, upon the request of a Holder or Beneficial Owner of any Note, the Co-Issuers shall promptly furnish "Rule 144A Information" to the Holder or Beneficial Owner, to a prospective purchaser of a Note designated by the Holder or Beneficial Owner or to the Trustee for delivery to the Holder or Beneficial Owner or a prospective purchaser designated by the Holder or Beneficial Owner, as the case may be, to permit compliance by the Holder or Beneficial Owner with Rule 144A under the Securities Act in connection with the resale of the Note by the Holder or Beneficial Owner. "**Rule 144A Information**" is the information specified pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act.

### **Section 7.16. Calculation Agent.**

(a) The Issuer agrees that for so long as any Floating Rate Notes remain Outstanding an agent will always have been appointed (that does not control and is not controlled by or under common control with the Issuer or its Affiliates) to calculate LIBOR in respect of each Interest Period (the "**Calculation Agent**"). The Issuer has initially appointed the Trustee as Calculation Agent. The Issuer may remove the Calculation Agent at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Issuer or if the Calculation Agent fails to determine any of the information required to be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange, as described in subsection (b), in respect of any Interest Period, the Issuer or the Servicer (on its behalf) shall promptly appoint a replacement Calculation Agent. For so long as any Floating Rate Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, notice of the appointment of any replacement Calculation Agent shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange as promptly as practicable after the appointment. The Calculation Agent may not resign its duties without a successor having been duly appointed.

(b) As soon as possible after 11:00 a.m., London time, on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period, but in no event later than 11:00 a.m., London time, on the next Business Day, the Calculation Agent shall calculate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate

Notes for the next Interest Period. The Calculation Agent shall communicate those rates and amounts to the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, each Paying Agent, the Servicer, Euroclear, Clearstream, the Depository, and, so long as any of the Floating Rate Notes are listed thereon and the rules of the exchange so require, the Irish Stock Exchange. In the latter case, the information shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange as soon as possible after its determination. The Calculation Agent shall separately notify the Irish Stock Exchange of the information. The Calculation Agent shall also specify to the Co-Issuers the quotations on which the foregoing rates are based, and in any event the Calculation Agent shall notify the Co-Issuers before 7:00 p.m., London time, on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period that either:

- (i) it has determined or is in the process of determining the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes, or
- (ii) it has not determined and is not in the process of determining any such Note Interest Rate together with its reasons therefor.

The Calculation Agent's determination of the foregoing rates for any Interest Period shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding on all parties and the Holders and Beneficial Owners of the Preference Shares.

#### **Section 7.17. Certain Tax Matters.**

(a) For United States federal income tax purposes, the Issuer shall treat the Preference Shares as equity and the Notes as debt. Each Holder of a Note, by its acquisition of that Note, agrees to treat those Notes as debt for United States federal income tax purposes.

(b) The Issuer will make an election to be treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and will take all necessary actions to maintain its status as a partnership (or, if the equity of the Issuer is treated as owned by one person, as a disregarded entity of such person) for U.S. federal income tax purposes; provided, however, that the Issuer will not be required to maintain its status as a partnership (or disregarded entity) if the Issuer elects to be a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

(c) The Issuer shall file, or cause to be filed, any tax returns, including information tax returns, required by any governmental authority; provided, however, that the Issuer shall not file, or cause to be filed, any income or franchise tax return in any state of the United States unless it shall have obtained an Opinion of Counsel from a tax counsel of nationally recognized standing experienced in such matters prior to such filing that, under the laws of such jurisdiction, the Issuer is required to file such income or franchise tax return.

(d) In order to ensure the Holders' and Beneficial Owners' acquisition of the Notes pursuant to this Indenture are not treated as offered under conditions of confidentiality, the Holders and Beneficial Owners of the Notes (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) are hereby permitted to disclose to any and all Persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement (including the ownership and disposition of the Notes). For this purpose, the tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction, and the tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction.

(e) If the Issuer is aware that it has purchased an interest in a "reportable transaction" within the meaning of Section 6011 of the Code, and a Noteholder requests information about any such

transactions in which the Issuer is a purchaser, the Issuer shall provide such information it has reasonably available as soon as practicable after such request.

(f) The Issuer shall not conduct any business other than the business that the Issuer is permitted to conduct under this Indenture and the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

(g) Upon written request by the Independent accountants, the Indenture Registrar shall provide to the Independent accountants that information contained in the Indenture Register requested by the Independent accountants to comply with this Section 7.17.

(h) The Issuer will treat each purchase of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments as a “purchase” for tax accounting and reporting purposes.

(i) The Issuer shall not participate in listing or including the Class D Notes or Preference Shares on or in any Established Securities Markets, and shall not participate in establishing any Established Securities Market for its Class D Notes or Preference Shares. In addition, the Issuer shall not recognize any transfers made on any Established Securities Markets with respect to its Class D Notes or Preference Shares (including any transfers of any financial instrument (other than the Senior Notes) or contract the value of which is determined in whole or in part by reference to the Issuer).

#### **Section 7.18. Securities Lending.**

(a) So long as no Event of Default is continuing and if after the completion of the transaction the limit in clause (28) of the definition of “Concentration Limitations” would be satisfied, the Servicer may cause Collateral Obligations that are not Defaulted Collateral Obligations to be lent for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) having long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or guarantors with ratings of at least “A1” (and not “A1” but on credit watch with negative implications) and “P-1” (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody’s and a short-term debt rating of at least “A-1” and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least “A” from S&P (each, a “**Securities Lending Counterparty**”) pursuant to one or more agreements (each, a “**Securities Lending Agreement**”); provided that Collateral Obligations the Market Value of which cannot be determined under clause (i), (ii) or (iii) of that definition may not be lent pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement. Upon receipt of an Issuer Order, the Trustee shall release any lent Collateral Obligations to a Securities Lending Counterparty as directed by the Servicer. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Placement Agent or Affiliates of the Servicer. The duration of any Securities Lending Agreement shall not exceed the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

(b) Each Securities Lending Agreement shall be on market terms as determined by the Servicer (except as may be required below) and shall:

(i) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty return to the Issuer debt obligations that are identical (in terms of issue and class) to the lent Collateral Obligations;

(ii) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty pay to the Issuer amounts equivalent to all interest and other payments that the owner of the lent Collateral Obligation is entitled to for the period during which the Collateral Obligation is lent and require that any such payments not be subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the Securities Lending Counterparty is required under the Securities Lending Agreement to make “gross-up” payments to the Issuer that cover the full amount of the withholding tax on an after-tax basis;

(iii) require that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency shall be satisfied with respect to the execution of the Securities Lending Agreement;

(iv) satisfy any other requirements of Section 1058 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated under it;

(v) be governed by the laws of New York;

(vi) permit the Issuer to assign its rights under the Securities Lending Agreement to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture;

(vii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Collateral Obligation becomes a Credit Risk Obligation or is subject to redemption in accordance with its terms;

(viii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty upon any redemption of the Notes in whole;

(ix) require the Securities Lending Counterparty to post with the Trustee collateral consisting of cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the Securities Lending Agreement (the “*Securities Lending Collateral*”) to secure its obligation to return the Collateral Obligations or in the alternative post the Securities Lending Collateral with a custodian for the benefit of the Issuer designated by the Securities Lending Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that custodian would qualify to be a successor trustee under Section 6.9;

(x) provide that the Securities Lending Collateral shall be maintained at all times in an amount equal to at least 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value (determined daily and monitored by the Servicer) of the lent Collateral Obligations and if securities are delivered to the Trustee as security for the obligations of the Securities Lending Counterparty under the related Securities Lending Agreement, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will negotiate with the Securities Lending Counterparty a rate for the loan fee to be paid to the Issuer for lending the lent Collateral Obligations;

(xi) the lent Collateral Obligations shall be marked-to-market on a daily basis by the Servicer on the basis of their Market Value;

(xii) the Collateral will include the Issuer’s rights under the related Securities Lending Agreement rather than the loaned Collateral Obligation;

(xiii) provide for early termination within 10 days at the option of the Issuer and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Securities Lending Counterparty is no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty and the noncompliance is not cured as provided in this Indenture; and

(xiv) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Securities Lending Counterparty) equivalent (mutatis mutandis) to those in this Indenture.

(c) If either Moody's or S&P downgrades a Securities Lending Counterparty such that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party are no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty, then the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, within 10 days of the downgrade, shall

(i) terminate its Securities Lending Agreements with the Securities Lending Counterparty unless a guarantor for the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements has been obtained; or

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations lent to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty so that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party, together with all other Securities Lending Agreements, are in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of Securities Lending Counterparties; or

(iii) take any other steps Moody's or S&P may require to cause the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party to be treated by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, as if the obligations were owed by a counterparty having a rating at least equivalent to the rating that was assigned by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty before its being downgraded.

(d) In connection with any such direction by the Servicer to enter into a Securities Lending Agreement, the Trustee may receive and rely on an Issuer Order to the effect that the Securities Lending Agreement, and its Securities Lending Counterparty, is each in compliance with the requirements of this Indenture (including the definition of "Securities Lending Counterparty"). The Issuer and the Trustee may enter into any Securities Lending Agreement (and any related account control agreement) at the instruction of the Servicer, and deliver and accept delivery and return of any Collateral Obligations pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement, or pursuant to instructions from the Servicer in connection with the Securities Lending Agreement. The Trustee may take any actions and exercise any rights and remedies under any Securities Lending Agreement that the Servicer instructs. The Trustee need not enter into any Securities Lending Agreement (or any related account control agreement) that would in its judgment, subject it to any liability, whether financial or otherwise, or cause it to incur or subject it to risk of any cost or disbursement for which it is not, in its judgment, adequately indemnified, or that would impose on it any obligations or administrative burdens that are unacceptable to it. The Servicer shall instruct the Trustee in writing with respect to the administration of any Securities Lending Agreement (including with respect to any default and the exercise of rights under it). The Trustee shall not have any responsibility for evaluating the sufficiency, validity or acceptability of any Securities Lending Agreement or for the qualifications or eligibility of any Securities Lending Counterparty. Nothing in this Indenture shall be construed to cause the Trustee to have any fiduciary duties to any Securities Lending Counterparty.

(e) So long as any Collateral Obligation is on loan pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement,

(i) the Trustee shall have no liability for any failure or inability on its part to receive any information or take any action with respect to the Collateral Obligation because of its being on loan (including any failure to take action with respect to a notice of redemption, consent solicitation, exchange or tender offer, or similar corporate action), and

(ii) the loaned Collateral Obligations shall not be disqualified for return to the Trustee as a Collateral Obligation by any change in circumstance or status during the time while on loan (including any change that would cause the Collateral Obligation to be ineligible for purchase by the Issuer under this Indenture if applied to a proposed purchase of it in the open market at the time of its return from loan).

**Section 7.19. Purchase of Collateral Obligations; Ramp-Up Completion Date.**

(a) The Issuer shall use its best efforts to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period or enter into commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period for purchase on or as soon as practicable thereafter (not to exceed 60 days thereafter), in each case, for inclusion in the Collateral so that each of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A Notes is at least U.S.\$677,332,536.

(b) No Collateral Obligations may be purchased prior to the Ramp-Up Completion Date unless immediately following the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (as certified by the Servicer in writing), the remaining funds in the Collection Account, after giving effect to such purchase, are sufficient as of the date of determination to purchase Collateral Obligations for inclusion in the Collateral so that each of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A Notes is at least U.S.\$677,332,536 (taking into account the Collateral Obligations already part of the Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date)).

(c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, or any other provision of this Indenture, if the Issuer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase a Collateral Obligation to be included in the Collateral, such commitment initially not to exceed 60 days, and at the time of the commitment the Collateral Obligation complied with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set forth in this Section 7.19, the Issuer may consummate the purchase of the Collateral Obligation notwithstanding that the Collateral Obligation fails to comply with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set out above on the date of settlement.

(d) The Issuer will use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase, or to enter into binding agreements to purchase, Collateral Obligations by the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that, together with the Collateral Obligations purchased on or before the Closing Date and then held by the Issuer, will satisfy, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date), the Collateral Quality Tests, the Concentration Limitations, the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 of this Indenture and the Overcollateralization Tests.

(e) Within 5 Business Days after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer or the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) shall request a Rating Confirmation on behalf of the Issuer and shall provide a report to the Rating Agencies identifying the Collateral Obligations then included in the Collateral and the Issuer shall obtain and deliver to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies, together with the delivery of a report (and, with respect to S&P, the S&P Excel Default Model Input File and, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, the S&P Priority Category thereof) substantially in the form of a Monthly Report as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, an Accountants' Certificate:

(i) confirming the maturity date, rating, spread and recovery rate for each item of Original Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date and the information provided by the Issuer with respect to every other asset included in the Collateral, by reference to such sources as shall be specified therein;

(ii) confirming that as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date:

(A) each of the Coverage Tests are satisfied;

(B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owned or committed to purchase as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date is at least equal to the Maximum Amount; and

(C) the Collateral Obligations comply with all of the requirements of the Collateral Quality Tests and the Concentration Limitations and the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 of this Indenture; and

(iii) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing statements.

(f) If a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, the Notes will be redeemed pursuant to, and to the extent provided in, Section 9.1(a).

#### **Section 7.20. Posting of Reports on Repository.**

If the Placement Agent has entered into a posting dealer agreement with The Bond Market Association relating to the transactions contemplated by this Indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer acknowledges and agrees that each Monthly Report and Valuation Report shall be posted to the Repository for use in the manner provided in the Repository. In connection therewith, the Trustee, at the expense of the Issuer, agrees to make available in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(viii) each Monthly Report or Valuation Report to the operator of the Repository for posting on the Repository. The Placement Agent will notify the Trustee, the Co-Issuers and the Servicer upon entering into a posting dealer agreement.

#### **Section 7.21. Secondary Risk Procedures.**

The Servicer shall notify S&P and request that S&P modify the S&P CDO Monitor accordingly if on any date (as disclosed in the most recent Monthly Report):

(a) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Collateral Obligations participated from or entered into with the same Secondary Risk Counterparty exceeds the percentage of the Maximum Amount in the Secondary Risk Table opposite the long-term S&P credit rating of the Secondary Risk Counterparty under the caption “Individual Counterparty Limit,” or

(b) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Collateral Obligations participated from or entered into with Secondary Risk Counterparties with the same long-term credit rating exceeds the percentage of the Maximum Amount in the Secondary Risk Table opposite that rating under the caption “Aggregate Counterparty Limit” (excluding up to 5% by Aggregate Principal Amount of Synthetic Securities with respect to Collateral Obligations the Aggregate Counterparty Limit of which is 20% to the extent that (x) such exposure is fully collateralized with respect to principal and (y) the related Synthetic Security Counterparties are rated at least “A-1+” by S&P).

#### **Section 7.22. Section 3(c)(7) Procedures.**



In addition to the notices required to be given under Section 10.6 hereof, the Issuer shall take the following actions to ensure compliance with the requirements of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act (provided that such procedures and disclosures may be revised by the Issuer to be consistent with generally accepted practice for compliance with the requirements of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act):

(a) *Section 3(c)(7) Notice to Investors.* The Issuer shall (i) request the Depository to cause, and cooperate with the Depository in causing, the Depository's security description and delivery order to include a "3(c)(7) marker" and the Depository's user manual to contain an accurate description of the restrictions on the holding and transfer of the Notes due to the Issuer's reliance on the exclusion to registration provided by Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act, (ii) request that the Depository send, and cooperate with the Depository in causing the Depository to send, to its Agent Members (x) the Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice substantially in the form of Exhibit C-2 in connection with the initial offering of the Notes and (y) the Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice substantially in the form of Exhibit C-1 as set forth in Section 10.6(b) and (iii) request that the Depository cause, and cooperate with the Depository in causing, the Depository's Reference Directory to include each Class of Notes (and the applicable CUSIP numbers for the Notes) in the listing of 3(c)(7) issues together with an attached description of the limitations as to the distribution, purchase, sale and holding of the Notes.

(b) *CUSIP Numbers.* The Issuer shall (a) request of S&P, and shall cooperate with S&P to ensure that all CUSIP numbers identifying the Notes shall have a "fixed field" attached thereto that contains "3c7" and "144A" indicators and (b) take steps to cause the Placement Agent and any market makers to require that all "confirms" of trades of the Notes contain CUSIP numbers with such "fixed field" identifiers.

(c) *Bloomberg and other Third-Party Vendor Screens.* The Issuer shall use all reasonable efforts to cause the Bloomberg screen or screens containing information about the Notes to include the following language: (a) the "Note Box" on the bottom of the "Security Display" page describing the Notes shall state: "Iss'd Under 144A/3(c)(7)," (b) the "Security Display" page shall have the flashing red indicator "See Other Available Information" and (c) the indicator shall link to the "Additional Security Information" page, which shall state that the securities are "being offered in reliance on the exemption from registration under Rule 144A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), to persons who are both (x) qualified institutional buyers (as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act) and (y) qualified purchasers (as defined under Section 3(c)(7) under the Investment Company Act)." The Issuer shall use all reasonable efforts to require that any other third-party vendor screens containing information about the Notes include substantially similar language to clauses (a) through (c) above.

## ARTICLE VIII.

### SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURES

#### **Section 8.1. Supplemental Indentures Without Consent of Holders.**

(a) Without the consent of the Holders of any Securities (other than as specified in Sections 8.1(a)(viii), (xiv) and (xv)), when authorized by Board Resolutions, and subject to the requirement provided below in this Section 8.1 with respect to the ratings of any Class of Notes, the Co-Issuers and the Trustee may, if, with respect to any matters described in paragraphs (i) through (xxiv) below, the interests of the Holders of the Securities are not materially and adversely affected thereby (the Co-Issuers and the Trustee will be bound by a standard of good faith and fair dealing in making such determination) execute one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, to:

(i) evidence the succession of another Person to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and the assumption by the successor Person of the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture and in the Securities;

(ii) add to the covenants of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders or to surrender any right in this Indenture conferred on the Co-Issuers;

(iii) convey, transfer, assign, mortgage or pledge any property to the Trustee, or add to the conditions, limitations, or restrictions on the authorized amount, terms, and purposes of the issue, authentication and delivery of the Notes;

(iv) evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment under this Indenture by a successor Trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of this Indenture necessary to facilitate the administration of the trusts under this Indenture by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of Sections 6.10, 6.11, and 6.13;

(v) correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of this Indenture, or to better assure, convey, and confirm to the Trustee any property subject or required to be subject to the lien of this Indenture (including all actions appropriate as a result of changes in law) or to subject to the lien of this Indenture any additional property;

(vi) conform any provision in this Indenture to the related provision in the Offering Memorandum that is intended to be a verbatim recitation of such provision;

(vii) modify the restrictions on and procedures for resales and other transfers of the Notes to reflect any changes in applicable law (or its interpretation) or to enable the Co-Issuers to rely on any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities Act or the Investment Company Act or to remove restrictions on resale and transfer to the extent not required under this Indenture;

(viii) with the consent of the Servicer, modify (A) the restrictions on the sales of Collateral Obligations in Section 12.1 or (B) with the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld), the Eligibility Criteria in Section 12.2 (and the definitions related thereto); provided that, for the avoidance of doubt, the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class shall not be required if such amendment also satisfies the requirements of Section 8.1(a)(xxv);

(ix) make appropriate changes for any Class of Senior Notes to be listed on an exchange other than the Irish Stock Exchange;

(x) otherwise to correct any inconsistency or cure any ambiguity or errors in this Indenture;

(xi) accommodate the issuance of the Senior Notes in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC or otherwise;

(xii) take any appropriate action to prevent the Issuer, the Holders of the Securities, or the Trustee from becoming subject to withholding or other taxes, fees, or assessments or to prevent the Issuer from being treated as being engaged in a U.S. trade or business or otherwise being subject to income tax on a net income basis, so long as the action will not cause the Holders of any Securities to be adversely affected to any material extent by any change to the timing,

character, or source of the income from the Securities, as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion);

(xiii) authorize the appointment of any listing agent, Transfer Agent, Paying Agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes appropriate in connection with the listing of any Class of Senior Notes on the Irish Stock Exchange or any other stock exchange, and otherwise to amend this Indenture to incorporate any changes required or requested by any governmental authority, stock exchange authority, listing agent, Transfer Agent, Paying Agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes in connection with its appointment, so long as the supplemental indenture would not materially and adversely affect any Noteholder, as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Notes;

(xiv) with the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class, amend, modify, enter into or accommodate the execution of any contract relating to a Synthetic Security (including posting collateral under a Synthetic Security Agreement) if such particular action is not otherwise permitted by this Indenture;

(xv) with the consent of a Majority of the Class A-1B Notes, to amend any provisions herein relating solely to the manner, timing and conditions of Drawdowns;

(xvi) modify Section 3.3 to be consistent with applicable laws or Rating Agency requirements;

(xvii) evidence any waiver by any Rating Agency as to any requirement or condition, as applicable, of the Rating Agency set forth in this Indenture;

(xviii) facilitate the issuance of participation notes, combination notes, composite securities and other similar securities;

(xix) to evidence or implement the issuance of Replacement Notes or Refinancing Notes as provided for in this Indenture;

(xx) facilitate hedging transactions;

(xxi) facilitate the ability of the Issuer to lend collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement;

(xxii) modify any provision to facilitate an A/B Exchange, including to effect any serial designation relating to the exchange;

(xxiii) with the consent of the Servicer, enter into any additional agreements not expressly prohibited by this Indenture as well as any amendment, modification, or waiver if the Issuer determines that the amendment, modification, or waiver would not, upon or after becoming effective, materially and adversely affect the rights or interest of the Holders of any Class of Securities as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents

necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Servicer to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities; provided that, for the avoidance of doubt, this clause (xxiii) shall not permit the Co-Issuers and the Trustee to enter into any amendment hereto that expressly requires the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class without obtaining such consent;

(xxiv) provide for the issuance of additional Preference Shares to the extent permitted by the Preference Share Documents and to extend to such additional Preference Shares the benefits applicable to the Preference Shares under this Indenture and the Preference Share Documents; or

(xxv) prevent the Issuer from becoming an “investment company” as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); provided that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer shall have received (A) a Rating Confirmation with respect to such supplemental indenture and (B) a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such supplemental indenture, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

(b) Without the consent of the Servicer, no supplemental indenture may be entered into that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to the Servicer under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer.

(c) The Trustee is authorized to join in the execution of any supplemental indenture and to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations that may be in the agreements, but the Trustee shall not be obligated to enter into any supplemental indenture (pursuant to Sections 8.1 or 8.2) that affects the Trustee’s own rights, duties, liabilities or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise, except to the extent required by law. Unless notified in writing by a Majority of any Class of Notes or a Majority of the Preference Shares that Holders of the Class of the Notes or Holders of the Preference Shares would be materially and adversely affected, the Trustee shall be entitled to receive in connection with any such supplemental indenture, and may rely on, a certificate of the Servicer and an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) as to whether the interests of any Holder of Securities would be materially and adversely affected by any such supplemental indenture.

(d) If any Outstanding Notes are rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee shall enter into a supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.1 only if either (1) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the supplemental indenture or (2) the Servicer and the Holders of 100% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes the ratings on which would be reduced or withdrawn consent to the supplemental indenture. Prior to the entry into any supplemental indenture with respect to which a Rating Confirmation for one or more Classes of Notes is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Note informing them of such fact.

(e) At the cost of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee shall mail to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares

Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares), each Rating Agency (for so long as any Notes are Outstanding and rated by such Rating Agency) and each Hedge Counterparty a copy of any such proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.1 at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee (or 60 calendar days before execution in the case of a supplemental indenture for the purpose described in paragraph (8) of Section 8.1(a), which shall be identified as such in a certificate of the Servicer delivered to the Trustee before the date on which such notice is required to be given).

## **Section 8.2. Supplemental Indentures With Consent of Holders.**

(a) If the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency, the Trustee and the Co-Issuers may execute one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture to add any provisions to, or change in any manner, or eliminate any of the provisions of, this Indenture or modify in any manner the rights of the Noteholders under this Indenture with the consent of:

- (i) the Servicer if the supplemental indenture would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer;
- (ii) a Majority of each Class of Notes adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of each such Class of Notes; and
- (iii) a Majority of the Preference Shares adversely affected thereby.

Any proposed supplemental indenture that would also necessitate a change to the Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association) has been passed to permit the Issuer's constitutional documents to be altered to conform them to the proposed change to this Indenture as certified to the Trustee by the Issuer.

Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected thereby and the Holder of each Preference Share adversely affected thereby, no supplemental indenture shall:

- (A) change the Stated Maturity of the principal of or the due date of any installment of interest on any Note or of any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, reduce the principal amount or the rate of interest on any Note, or the Default Interest Rate, Refinancing Price or the Redemption Price with respect to any Note or Preference Share, or change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Share may be redeemed or refinanced at the option of the Issuer, change the provisions of this Indenture relating to the application of proceeds of any Collateral to the payment of principal of or interest on Notes, or to payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, or change any place where, or the coin or currency in which, Notes or their principal or interest are paid or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after their Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption or refinancing, on or after the applicable Redemption Date or Refinancing Date);
- (B) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class or Holders of Preference Shares whose consent is required for the authorization of any such supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with

certain provisions of this Indenture or certain defaults under this Indenture or their consequences provided for in this Indenture;

(C) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on a parity with the lien of this Indenture with respect to any part of the Collateral or terminate the lien on any property at any time subject hereto or deprive the Holder of any Note of the security afforded by the lien of this Indenture;

(D) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class whose consent is required to request the Trustee to retain the Collateral or rescind the Trustee's election to retain the Collateral, pursuant to Section 5.5 or to sell or liquidate the Collateral, pursuant to Section 5.4 or 5.5;

(E) modify any of the provisions of this Section 8.2, or to provide that certain other provisions of this Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note and Preference Share affected thereby;

(F) modify the definition of "Outstanding," "Controlling Class," or "Majority," the Priority of Payments in Section 11.1(a), Section 13.1 or any non-petition or limited recourse clause; or

(G) modify any of the provisions of this Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of Redemption Price or of interest or principal on any Note or any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the payment of dividends or other payments on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date or to affect the rights of the Holders of the Securities to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of the Notes or the Preference Shares contained in this Indenture.

Prior to the entry into any supplemental indenture with respect to which a Rating Confirmation for one or more Classes of Notes is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Note and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) informing them of such fact.

(b) Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.2, the Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (for so long as any Notes are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency) a copy of such proposed supplemental indenture and shall request any required consent from the applicable Holders of Securities to be given within the Initial Consent Period. Any consent given to a proposed supplemental indenture by the Holder of any Securities, as applicable, shall be irrevocable and binding on all future Holders or beneficial owners of that Security, irrespective of the execution date of the supplemental indenture. If the Holders of less than the required percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the relevant Securities consent to a proposed supplemental indenture within the Initial Consent Period, on the first Business Day after the Initial Consent Period, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Servicer which Holders of Securities have consented to the proposed supplemental indenture and, which Holders (and, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the Trustee, which beneficial owners) have not consented to the proposed supplemental indenture. If it intends to exercise its Amendment Buy-Out Option pursuant to Section 9.6, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall so notify the Trustee (which notice shall designate a date for the Amendment Buy-Out to occur no earlier than 10 Business Days after the date of such notice) no later than five Business Days after

the Servicer is so notified by the Trustee and the Trustee shall promptly mail such notice to all Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares). Any Non-Consenting Holder may give consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture until the 5th Business Day prior to the date of the Amendment Buy-Out designated by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and in such case shall cease to be a Non-Consenting Holder for purposes of the Amendment Buy-Out. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser exercises its Amendment Buy-Out Option and purchases the applicable Securities pursuant to Section 9.6 below, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, as Holder or beneficial owner of the applicable Securities, may consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture within five Business Days of the Amendment Buy-Out.

(c) It shall not be necessary for any Act of Noteholders under this Section 8.2 to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if the Act or consent approves its substance.

(d) The Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency a copy of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.2 promptly after its execution by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee. Any failure of the Trustee to mail a copy of any supplemental indenture as provided in this Indenture, or any defect in the mailing, shall not in any way affect the validity of the supplemental indenture.

### **Section 8.3. Execution of Supplemental Indentures.**

In executing or accepting the additional trusts created by any supplemental indenture permitted by this Article 8 or the modifications thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture, the Trustee may receive, and (subject to Sections 6.1 and 6.3) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an Opinion of Counsel stating that the execution of the supplemental indenture is authorized or permitted by this Indenture and that all conditions precedent to the execution of such supplemental indenture have been satisfied. In the event that any supplemental indenture is consented to by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes and the Rating Condition is satisfied or is specifically waived by all consenting parties, all conditions precedent to the execution of such supplemental indenture shall be deemed satisfied, the execution of such supplemental indenture shall be authorized or permitted by this Indenture, and the Trustee shall execute and accept the additional trusts created by such supplemental indenture pursuant to this Article 8 or modification thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture without obtaining an Opinion of Counsel; provided that the Trustee may, but shall not be obligated to, enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise. The Servicer shall not be bound by any amendment or supplement to this Indenture that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer unless the Servicer consents to it in writing, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed. The Servicer shall follow any amendment or supplement to this Indenture by which it is bound of which it has received written notice from the time it receives a copy of the amendment from the Issuer or the Trustee. The Trustee shall deliver any such amendment or supplement to the Repository in accordance with Section 6.18.

### **Section 8.4. Effect of Supplemental Indentures; Certain Required Consents.**

Upon the execution of any supplemental indenture under this Article 8, this Indenture shall be modified in accordance therewith, and the supplemental indenture shall form a part of this Indenture for

all purposes; and every Holder of Notes theretofore and thereafter authenticated and delivered under this Indenture shall be bound thereby.

Without the approval of each Hedge Counterparty to a then existing Hedge Agreement (so long as the Hedge Counterparty is not in default under any Hedge Agreement to which it is party), no supplemental indenture will be effective, and the Co-Issuers will not consent to any supplemental indenture, that would have a material adverse effect on the Hedge Counterparty. For purposes of this paragraph, any supplemental indenture will be deemed not to have a material adverse effect on the Hedge Counterparty if it does not object within 10 days of delivery of such supplemental indenture by the Trustee.

Any supplemental indenture that would necessitate a change to the Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association (or the memorandum and articles of association of Investors Corp.) may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association) has been passed to permit the Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association (or the memorandum and articles of association of Investors Corp.) to be altered to conform with such proposed amendment.

#### **Section 8.5. Reference in Notes to Supplemental Indentures.**

Notes authenticated and delivered after the execution of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Article 8 may, and if required by the Trustee shall, bear a notice in form approved by the Trustee as to any matter provided for in the supplemental indenture. If the Applicable Issuers shall so determine, new Notes, so modified as to conform in the opinion of the Trustee and the Co-Issuers to any such supplemental indenture, may be prepared and executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated and delivered by the Trustee in exchange for Outstanding Notes.

### **ARTICLE IX.**

#### **REDEMPTION OF NOTES**

##### **Section 9.1. Mandatory Redemption.**

(a) If either (a) a Coverage Test is not met on any Determination Date or (b) a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, principal payments on the Notes shall be made on the related Payment Date (without payment of any Redemption Price) in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Upon receipt of notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes, at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes, then at the direction and in accordance with the instructions of the Servicer the Trustee shall sell Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for the purpose in the Collection Account will be used to redeem the Notes and the Preference Shares (but only to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes) and to pay all administrative and other fees, expenses and obligations payable under the Priority of Payments. Any sale under this Section 9.1 shall be conducted in such a manner that:

(i) after giving effect to the sale each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied or, if any Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Overcollateralization Test is not reduced,



(ii) if the sale occurs on or after the second Payment Date, after giving effect to the sale each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied or, if any Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Interest Coverage Test is not reduced, and

(iii) after giving effect to the sale each Collateral Quality Test is satisfied or, if any Collateral Quality Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Collateral Quality Test is not reduced.

(b) The Preference Shares will be redeemed in whole in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents on any Payment Date on which a mandatory redemption of the Notes pursuant to Section 9.1(a) results in the payment in full of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes.

(c) In the event that the Issuer or the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) has failed to obtain confirmation in writing from S&P that it has not (i) reduced, suspended, or withdrawn its Initial Rating of each Class of Notes and (ii) placed any Class of Notes on credit watch with negative implications by the Business Day after the 29th day after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer (by Issuer Order) may direct the Trustee to make payments on the first Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments; provided that all amounts (other than Class II Preference Share Special Payments) otherwise payable to the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares shall be retained by the Trustee in the Payment Account pending receipt of S&P's written confirmation as set forth in this Section 9.1(c).

## **Section 9.2. Optional Redemption.**

(a) Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the Notes shall be redeemed by the Applicable Issuers, in whole but not in part, on any Payment Date from Principal Proceeds and all other funds available for that purpose in the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account at the direction of the applicable Required Redemption Percentage, which direction must be given to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Servicer not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made, at the applicable Redemption Price (exclusive of installments of interest and principal maturing on or before that date, payment of which shall have been made or duly provided for, to the Noteholders on relevant Record Dates or as otherwise provided in this Indenture). All Notes must be simultaneously redeemed, and any termination payments pursuant to Hedge Agreements must be paid.

Upon receipt of a notice of redemption pursuant to this Section 9.2(a), the Servicer in its sole discretion will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Servicing Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer, direct the sale of the Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for such purpose in the Collection Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account will be at least sufficient to redeem all of the Notes and to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations. If, in the Servicer's reasonable discretion, the sale would not be sufficient to redeem the Notes, and to pay the fees, expenses and obligations, the Notes shall not be redeemed.

Upon any redemption pursuant to this Section 9.2(a), the Issuer shall, at least 30 days before the Redemption Date (unless the Trustee shall agree to a shorter notice period), notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and each

Rating Agency of the Redemption Date, the applicable Record Date, the principal amount of Notes to be redeemed on the Redemption Date and the applicable Redemption Prices.

(b) On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, all administrative and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture and all amounts owing under this Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged,

(i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares pro rata in accordance with their respective holdings or

(ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, voting as a single Class or group, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such direction.

Upon a distribution pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(i), the Servicer will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Servicing Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer (and subject to Section 9.2(b)(ii)), direct the sale of all remaining Collateral Obligations. Upon a distribution pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii), the Servicer will effect the sale of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares.

### **Section 9.3. Redemption Procedures.**

(a) Upon any optional redemption pursuant to Section 9.2, the Trustee shall give notice of a redemption by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days and not earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date, each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of DTC, Euroclear, and Clearstream, as applicable, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and (in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a)) to each Rating Agency. In addition, for so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of redemption of Senior Notes pursuant to Section 9.2 shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

(b) All notices of redemption delivered pursuant to Section 9.3(a) shall state:

(i) the applicable Redemption Date;

(ii) the Redemption Price of the Notes to be redeemed (in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a));

(iii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), that all of the Notes, are to be redeemed in full and that interest on the Notes to be redeemed shall cease to accrue on the Payment Date specified in the notice; and

(iv) the places where the Notes to be redeemed in whole are to be surrendered for payment of the Redemption Price, which shall be the office or agency of the Co-Issuers to be maintained as provided in Section 7.2 and, so long as any Senior Notes to be redeemed are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, and the Irish Paying Agent.

Any such notice of redemption may be withdrawn by the Issuer up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares), the Trustee and the Servicer only if:

(A) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), the Servicer does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications (described in Sections 9.3(c) and 12.1(f)), as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee,

(B) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i), the Issuer receives the written direction of the Preference Shares or Affected Class (as applicable) to withdraw the notice of redemption delivered by a percentage of the Preference Shares or Affected Class (as applicable) requesting redemption under Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i), as applicable, or

(C) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii), the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer hereby agrees for the benefit of the directing Holders to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (B) or this clause (C)).

Notice of any withdrawal shall be sent, not later than the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date (assuming that the Trustee has received timely written notice from the Issuer as provided above), by the Trustee, to each Noteholder scheduled to be redeemed at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery (or, to the extent the address contained in the Indenture Register is not sufficient for that purpose, by first class mail), the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Holding Preference Shares). If the Issuer so withdraws any notice of redemption or is otherwise unable to complete any redemption of the Notes, the Sale Proceeds received from the sale of any Collateral Obligations sold pursuant to Sections 9.2 and 12.1(f) may, during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period) at the Servicer's discretion, be used to purchase replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria.

Notice of redemption shall be given by the Co-Issuers or, upon an Issuer Order, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Co-Issuers. Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Notes selected for redemption, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each of Holding Preference Shares) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Securities.

(c) The Notes may not be redeemed pursuant to Section 9.2(a) unless either of the following conditions is satisfied:

(i) At least ten Business Days before the Redemption Date, the Servicer shall have furnished to the Trustee evidence (in form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee) that the Issuer

has entered into a binding agreements (with a financial or other institution or entity whose short-term unsecured debt obligations (other than obligations whose rating is based on the credit of a Person other than the institution) have a credit rating of at least “A-1” from S&P and of “P-1” (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody’s (or to any other institution or entity if the Rating Condition with respect to Moody’s is satisfied with respect to the other entity)) to sell to the financial or other institutions, not later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date in immediately available funds, all or part of the Collateral (directly or by participation or other arrangement) at a Purchase Price at least equal to an amount sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties, and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices; or

(ii) Before entering into any binding agreement to sell all or a portion of the Collateral and selling or terminating any Hedge Agreement, the Servicer shall have certified that, in its commercially reasonable judgment, the settlement dates of the sales will be scheduled to occur on or before the Business Day before the Redemption Date and that the expected proceeds from the sales are to be delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date, in immediately available funds, in an amount (calculated as applicable in the manner provided below) sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties, and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices. For purposes of this paragraph, the amount shall be calculated with respect to the classes of Collateral listed in the table below by multiplying the expected proceeds of sale of the Collateral by the indicated percentage in the table below.

		Number of Business Days Between Certification to the Trustee and Sale			
		<u>Same Day</u>	<u>1 to 2</u>	<u>3 to 5</u>	<u>6 to 15</u>
1	Cash or other Eligible Investments	100%	100%	100%	100%
2	Loans (other than 5 below)	100%	93%	92%	88%
3	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations (in each case, other than 4 below)	100%	89%	85%	75%
4	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations, in each case with a Moody’s Rating of “B3” and on credit watch with negative implications or below “B3”	100%	75%	65%	55%
5	Synthetic Securities	100%	65%	55%	35%

Any certification delivered pursuant to this Section 9.3(c) shall include (A) the prices of, and expected proceeds from, the sale of any Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, or Hedge Agreements and (B) all calculations required by this Section 9.3(c).

#### **Section 9.4. Notes Payable on Redemption Date.**

(a) Notice of redemption pursuant to Section 9.3 having been given as aforesaid, the Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at the Redemption Price therein specified and from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Redemption Price and accrued interest) the Notes shall cease to bear interest on the Redemption Date. Upon final payment on a Note to be so redeemed, the Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the place specified in the notice of redemption on or before the Redemption Date unless the Co-Issuers and the Trustee receive the security or indemnity required by them to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the Note, and in the absence of notice to the Co-Issuers and the Trustee, that the applicable Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender. Payments of interest on Notes so to be redeemed whose Stated Maturity is on or before the Redemption Date shall be payable to the Noteholders, or one or more predecessor Notes, registered as such at the close of business on the relevant Record Date if the Record Date is a Business Day (or, if the Record Date is not a Business Day, the close of business on the Business Day before the Record Date) according to Section 2.8(e).

(b) If any Note called for redemption is not paid on its surrender for redemption, its principal shall bear interest from the Redemption Date at the Applicable Note Interest Rate for each successive Interest Period the Note remains Outstanding if the reason for the non-payment is not the fault of the Holder of the Note.

#### **Section 9.5. Special Redemption.**

Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in whole or in part, at par, in accordance with the Priority of Payments if, at any time during the Replacement Period, the Servicer elects (subject to the Servicing Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional or replacement Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the application of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations (a “*Special Redemption*”).

On the first Payment Date following the Due Period for which the notice is effective (a “*Special Redemption Date*”), the funds in the Collection Account or the Payment Account representing Principal Proceeds that, by operation of the preceding paragraph, are not used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (the “*Special Redemption Amount*”) will be available to be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments under Section 11.1(a)(ii). Notice of payments pursuant to this Section 9.5 shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than three Business Days before the applicable Special Redemption Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder’s address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of DTC. In addition, for so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of redemption of Senior Notes pursuant to Section 9.2 shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

#### **Section 9.6. Amendment Buy-Out.**

(a) In the case of any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Securities held by such Holders whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture or, with respect to any Class I Preference Shares held by Investors Corp. if the consent of the Holders of Holding Preference Shares has

been solicited, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holders all Holding Preference Shares held by such Holders (the “**Amendment Buy-Out Option**”), in each case, for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; provided, however, that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser may not exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option during the Non-Call Period in connection with a proposed amendment to reduce the rate of interest on any Note or to change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Shares may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all such Securities of Non-Consenting Holders and all such Holding Preference Shares of the Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holders, as the case may be, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an “**Amendment Buy-Out**”). By its acceptance of its Securities hereunder, each Holder of Securities agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder and any Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder will be required to sell its applicable Transaction Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser; provided that if any Non-Consenting Holder holds Class II Preference Shares, (i) such Non-Consenting Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to Investors Corp. and such Preference Shares will be cancelled and new Class I Preference Shares shall be issued in an equivalent amount, (ii) Investors Corp. will issue additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such issued Class I Preference Shares purchased by it and (iii) the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser will purchase such additional Holding Preference Shares in lieu of such issued Class I Preference Shares. Neither the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser nor any other Person shall have any liability to any Holder or beneficial owner of Transaction Securities as a result of an election by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser not to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option.

(b) All purchases made pursuant to an Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Transaction Securities set forth herein, in the case of the Class A-1B Notes, the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement, and in the Preference Share Documents or the Holding Preference Share Documents, as applicable, and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency). For the avoidance of doubt, any Amendment Buy-Out of Class A-1B Notes during the Delayed Drawdown Period shall include the related obligation to fund the Fully Drawn Amount.

## **Section 9.7. Refinancing of Non-Consenting Holder’s Notes**

(a) After the Non-Call Period, if Holders representing a Majority of the Preference Shares and the Servicer consent to a proposed amendment of the provisions of this Indenture relating to interest on the Notes (a “**Pricing Amendment**”) and any Noteholder becomes a Non-Consenting Holder with respect to such Pricing Amendment, then the Co-Issuers and the Trustee shall, if so directed in writing by Holders representing a Majority of the Preference Shares and the Servicer, effect a refinancing (a “**Non-Consenting Note Refinancing**”) of the Notes of all such Non-Consenting Holders (the “**Non-Consenting Notes**”) by the issuance of additional Notes of the same Classes and respective principal amounts (the “**Replacement Notes**”) to be purchased by a Person or Persons consenting to such Pricing Amendment and otherwise eligible under the provisions of this Indenture to be a Holder of such Notes (each a “**Consenting Purchaser**”). If and to the extent a Consenting Purchaser can be found, the Co-Issuers (or the Servicer on behalf of the Co-Issuers) will use reasonable efforts to arrange for and negotiate the terms of such purchase with any such Consenting Purchaser or Consenting Purchasers. The Consenting Purchasers shall make payment to the Trustee, to be deposited into a separate, non-interest bearing account to be held by the Trustee for the account of such Non-Consenting Holders in full of the outstanding principal amount of the Non-Consenting Notes and, to the extent not otherwise paid pursuant to the Priority of Payments on the date of such Non-Consenting Note Refinancing, all accrued and unpaid

interest thereon (to be disbursed to such Non-Consenting Holders upon surrender of their Non-Consenting Notes for cancellation) and any expenses incurred by the Trustee in connection with the Refinancing (the “**Non-Consenting Notes Payment Amount**”).

(b) All purchases of Replacement Notes individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Classes set forth herein, and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

#### **Section 9.8. Redemption by Refinancing**

(a) Any Class of Notes may be redeemed in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period from Refinancing Proceeds if the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, proposes to the Holders of the Preference Shares in writing (by notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares)) with a copy to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies at least 30 days prior to the Payment Date for such redemption (such date, the “**Refinancing Date**”) to redeem such Notes in accordance with this Section 9.8 (a “**Notice of Refinancing**”) which notice shall, among other things, specify the Refinancing Date and the Class of Notes to be refinanced and redeemed. Such redemption will be effected by the Issuer obtaining a loan or an issuance of a replacement class of notes (such notes, the “**Refinancing Notes**”) the terms of which loan or issuance will be negotiated by the Servicer, on behalf of the Co-Issuers, from one or more financial institutions or purchasers (which may include the Servicer or its Affiliates) selected by the Servicer (a refinancing provided pursuant to such loan or issuance, a “**Refinancing**”), provided that (i) such proposal is approved by a Majority of the Preference Shares (voting as a single class) at least 15 days prior to the Refinancing Date and (ii) the Servicer completes such Refinancing and causes the Refinancing Proceeds to be deposited with the Trustee (in immediately available funds) no later than the close of the Business Day immediately preceding the Refinancing Date.

(b) The Co-Issuers will obtain a Refinancing only if the Servicer determines and certifies to the Trustee that:

(i) a Rating Agency Confirmation has been obtained from S&P for such Refinancing;

(ii) the proceeds from the Refinancing will be at least sufficient to pay the Refinancing Price plus any Administrative Expenses of the Co-Issuers related to the Refinancing;

(iii) the interest rate payable in respect of the obligations providing the Refinancing is less than the interest rate payable on the Notes being refinanced;

(iv) the principal amount of any obligations providing the Refinancing is no greater than the principal amount of the Notes being redeemed with the proceeds of such obligations;

(v) the stated maturity of the obligations providing the Refinancing is no earlier than the Stated Maturity of the Notes being refinanced;

(vi) the Refinancing Proceeds will be used (to the extent necessary) to redeem the applicable Notes;

(vii) the agreements relating to the Refinancing contain non-recourse and non-petition provisions equivalent to those applicable to the Notes being redeemed, as set forth in this Indenture;

(viii) the expenses in connection with the Refinancing have been paid or will be adequately provided for; and

(ix) the obligations providing the Refinancing are subject to the Priority of Payments and do not rank higher in priority pursuant to the Priority of Payments than the Class of Notes being redeemed.

(c) Any Refinancing Proceeds will not constitute Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds but will be applied directly on the related Refinancing Date to redeem the Notes being refinanced and pay Administrative Expenses in connection with the Refinancing without regard to the Priority of Payments; provided, that to the extent that any Refinancing Proceeds are not applied to redeem the Notes being refinanced (and any associated Administrative Expenses), such Refinancing Proceeds will be treated as Principal Proceeds.

(d) The Trustee shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to Sections 6.1 and 6.3 hereof) shall be fully protected in relying upon an Opinion of Counsel stating that the Refinancing is permitted by this Indenture and that all conditions precedent thereto have been complied with.

(e) If notice of consent by a Majority of the Preference Shares (voting as a single Class) to a Refinancing has been received by the Trustee from the Servicer pursuant to Section 9.8(a) no later than 15 days prior to the Refinancing Date, notice of a Refinancing shall be given by the Trustee by first class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not less than 10 Business Days prior to the proposed Refinancing Date, to each Holder of Notes of the Class to be refinanced at the address in the Indenture Register (with a copy to the Servicer) and, so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent.

All notices of a Refinancing shall state:

(i) the proposed Refinancing Date, which shall be the applicable Redemption Date in respect of the Notes being redeemed;

(ii) the Refinancing Price, which shall be the applicable Redemption Price in respect of the notes being redeemed;

(iii) that on such proposed Refinancing Date such Notes will be refinanced and redeemed in full, and that, provided that the Refinancing Proceeds have been deposited with the Trustee for any such payment in full, interest on such Notes being redeemed shall cease to accrue on such date; and

(iv) the place or places where such Notes are to be surrendered for payment of the Refinancing Price which, if not stated, shall be the office or agency of any paying agent as provided in Section 7.2;

provided that no notice of Refinancing shall be sent if either (a) the Servicer has withdrawn its consent to such Refinancing or (b) the consent of a Majority of the Holders of Preference Shares to such Refinancing has not been obtained.



(f) Notice of Refinancing shall be given by the Trustee at the expense of the Issuer. Failure to give a Notice of Refinancing, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Note selected for Refinancing shall not impair or affect the validity of the Refinancing or give rise to any claim based upon such failure or defect.

Any Notice of Refinancing may be withdrawn by the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, on or prior to the fourth Business Day prior to the scheduled Refinancing Date by written notice to the Trustee, the Paying Agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Rating Agencies and the holders of the Preference Shares. Upon receipt of such notice of withdrawal, the Trustee shall send such notice to the Holders of Notes and, if applicable, the Irish Paying Agent.

(g) If a Notice of Refinancing pursuant to Section 9.7(a) has been given as provided herein and not withdrawn, the Notes to be refinanced shall on the Refinancing Date become due and payable at the Refinancing Price and the Servicer shall cause the Refinancing Proceeds to be deposited with the Trustee in immediately available funds no later than the close of business on the Business Date immediately preceding the Refinancing Date. Each Holder of such Notes shall present and surrender its Note at the place specified in the Notice of Refinancing on or prior to such Refinancing Date; provided that if there is delivered to the Issuer and the Trustee such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender such Note, then, in the absence of notice to the Issuer and the Trustee that the applicable Note has been acquired by a bona fide purchaser, such final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender.

(h) If any Class of Notes called for Refinancing shall not be so paid upon surrender thereof for Refinancing (or the delivery of the indemnity pursuant to the preceding paragraph) the principal shall, until paid, bear interest from the Refinancing Date at the applicable Note Interest Rate for each successive Payment Date with respect to which such Note remains Outstanding.

## **ARTICLE X.**

### **ACCOUNTS, ACCOUNTINGS, AND RELEASES**

#### **Section 10.1. Collection of Money.**

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, the Trustee may demand payment or delivery of, and shall receive and collect, directly and without intervention or assistance of any fiscal agent or other intermediary, all money and other property payable to or receivable by the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture, including all payments due on the Pledged Obligations, in accordance with the terms of the Pledged Obligations. The Trustee shall segregate and hold all money and property received by it in trust for the Secured Parties and shall apply it as provided in this Indenture. Any Account may contain any number of sub-accounts for the convenience of the Trustee or as required by the Servicer for convenience in administering the Accounts, the Collateral.

#### **Section 10.2. Collection Account.**

(a) Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Collection Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, and into which the Trustee shall from time to time deposit, in addition to the deposits required pursuant to Section 10.7(e), immediately upon the Trustee's receipt thereof:

(i) any funds transferred from (1) the Closing Date Expense Account pursuant to Section 10.3(g) or (2) the Interest Reserve Account pursuant to Section 10.3(i),

(ii) all Principal Proceeds (unless (1) simultaneously used to purchase Collateral Obligations in accordance with Article 12, (2) deposited into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or (3) posted by the Issuer as cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security or in Eligible Investments) received by the Trustee,

(iii) all Interest Proceeds received by the Trustee (unless simultaneously used to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations in accordance with Article 12 or in Eligible Investments), and

(iv) all other funds received by the Trustee and not excluded above.

In addition to the items described above, the Issuer may, but under no circumstances shall be required to, deposit from time to time any monies, securities and other instruments in the Collection Account it deems, in its sole discretion, to be advisable (and may designate any amounts deposited pursuant to this sentence as Principal Proceeds or Interest Proceeds in its discretion). Such amounts may include net proceeds from the sale of the Securities, deposited by the Issuer on the Closing Date (which funds shall be treated as Principal Proceeds, subject to Section 10.2(c)). Any Principal Proceeds received during the Replacement Period, and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments received after the Replacement Period, which have not been used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations on the Business Day of receipt shall be deposited in the Collection Account and shall at the direction of the Servicer be applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the other requirements set forth herein or the purchase of Eligible Investments pending such application or used to enter into additional Hedge Agreements or used in connection with a Special Redemption. Principal Proceeds (other than Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations, Credit Risk Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments) received after the Replacement Period shall be deposited into the Collection Account and applied to the purchase of Eligible Investments. All monies deposited from time to time in the Collection Account pursuant to this Indenture shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and shall be applied to the purposes provided in this Indenture. Amounts in the Collection Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(a).

(b) Within one Business Day after receipt of any distribution or other proceeds of the Collateral that are not Cash, the Trustee shall so notify the Issuer and the Servicer. Within five Business Days of receipt of the notice from the Trustee, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall sell the distribution or other proceeds for Cash in an arm's length transaction to a Person that is not the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer and deposit its proceeds in the Collection Account. The Issuer need not sell the distributions or other proceeds if it delivers an Issuer Order or an Officer's certificate to the Trustee and the Servicer certifying that the distributions or other proceeds are Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, or Workout Assets.

(c) During the Replacement Period (or, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall withdraw funds on deposit in the Collection Account representing Principal Proceeds (and, to the extent expressly provided in this Indenture, Interest Proceeds) and apply the funds to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the

posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), in each case in accordance with the requirements of Article 12 and the Issuer Order. In addition, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee may, withdraw funds on deposit in the Collection Account representing Principal Proceeds (up to the amount deposited by the Issuer on the Closing Date from net proceeds of the sale of the Securities) and apply and disburse such funds to adjustments in the settlement price of the Collateral Obligations purchased on the Closing Date.

(d) At any time during or after the Replacement Period, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall, pay from amounts on deposit in the Collection Account on any Business Day during any Interest Period from Interest Proceeds only, any Administrative Expenses that require payment before the next Payment Date to the extent that the amount of the payments does not exceed the aggregate amount that may be paid on the next Payment Date under, and at the level of priority specified by, Section 11.1(a)(i)(1).

(e) The Trustee shall transfer to the Payment Account from the Collection Account for application pursuant to Section 11.1(a) on or not later than the Business Day preceding each Payment Date, the amount set forth to be so transferred in the Valuation Report for the Payment Date.

### **Section 10.3. Other Accounts.**

(a) Custodial Account. Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated trust account that shall be designated as the Custodial Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, and into which the Trustee shall deposit the Collateral Obligations and other Collateral not deposited elsewhere in accordance with this Indenture (other than Loans, Participations and general intangibles, which in the case of Loans and Participations, shall be held by the Trustee as provided in Section 3.2). All assets or securities at any time on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Custodial Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties. The only permitted withdrawals from the Custodial Account shall be in accordance with this Indenture. The Co-Issuers shall not have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Custodial Account other than in accordance with Section 3.2 and the Priority of Payments.

(b) Revolving Reserve Account and Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account. Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish (i) a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account which shall be designated as the Revolving Reserve Account and (ii) a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, each of which shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. Upon the purchase of any Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, at the direction of the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit Principal Proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account, in the case of a Revolving Loan, and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, in the case of a Delayed Drawdown Loan, each equal to the unfunded Commitment Amount of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, respectively, and the Principal Proceeds so deposited shall be considered part of the Purchase Price of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan for purposes of Article 12. At any other time that amounts on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, respectively, are less than the total unfunded Commitment Amounts for all Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans (as applicable) in the Collateral, at the direction of the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit Principal Proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account (as applicable) in the amount necessary to cause the amount on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account to equal the total unfunded Commitment Amounts of all Revolving Loans in the Collateral and the amount on deposit in the Delayed

Drawdown Reserve Account to equal to total unfunded Commitment Amounts of all Delayed Drawdown Loans in the Collateral, as applicable. At the direction of the Servicer at any time, the Trustee shall withdraw funds from the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to fund extensions of credit pursuant to Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans, respectively. In addition, to the extent that the Issuer receives proceeds of a repayment in respect of a Revolving Loan (except to the extent of any concurrent Commitment Reduction) at any time, the Trustee shall deposit the proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account. Upon the sale of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan in whole or in part or the reduction in part or termination of the Issuer's commitment thereunder, an amount on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, as the case may be, specified by the Servicer as being equal to:

- (i) the unfunded amount of the commitment (in the case of a sale in whole or a termination of the commitment),
  - (ii) the proportionate amount of the amount on deposit (in the case of a sale in part),
- or
- (iii) the amount by which the commitment is reduced (in the case of a reduction thereof in part),

shall be transferred by the Trustee to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds. Amounts on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(b). All interest and other income from amounts in the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.4(b) shall be considered Interest Proceeds in the Due Period in which they are so deposited.

(c) Expense Reimbursement Account. Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Expense Reimbursement Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On any Payment Date and on any date between Payment Dates, the Trustee will apply amounts, if any, in the Expense Reimbursement Account to the payment of Administrative Expenses that must be paid between Payment Dates or that are due on that Payment Date under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) and the Trustee shall on any Payment Date transfer to the Expense Reimbursement Account an amount equal to the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts due under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) to the Expense Reimbursement Account in accordance with Section 11.1(a)(i)(2). Funds in the Expense Reimbursement Account shall be applied in accordance with Section 10.4(a).

(d) Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account. Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties (other than the Hedge Counterparty pledging the Collateral), over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. The Trustee shall deposit all collateral received from a Hedge Counterparty under any Hedge Agreement into the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account shall be:

- (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer under a Hedge Agreement if the Hedge Agreement becomes subject to early termination, or

(ii) to return collateral to the relevant Hedge Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Hedge Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(a) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(e) Synthetic Security Collateral Account. Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal, and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Synthetic Security and delivers a copy of it to the Trustee, the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the Synthetic Security Collateral Account with respect to the Synthetic Security.

All Synthetic Security Collateral posted by any Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Synthetic Security shall be immediately deposited into the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Synthetic Security. On each day on which amounts are payable to the Issuer out of Synthetic Security Collateral, the Issuer by Issuer Order shall direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, withdraw amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in an amount sufficient to make the payment as provided in the Issuer Order (including any total or partial release of Synthetic Security Collateral). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be (i) for application to the obligations of the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty under a Synthetic Security Agreement or (ii) to return Synthetic Security Collateral to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty at the termination of the relevant Synthetic Security Agreement or as otherwise required by the Synthetic Security Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(b) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(f) Securities Lending Account. Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Securities Lending Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal, and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Securities Lending Agreement and delivers a copy of it to the Trustee, the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the Securities Lending Account with respect to the Securities Lending Agreement. All Securities Lending Collateral posted by any Securities Lending Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Securities Lending Agreement shall be immediately deposited into the Securities Lending Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Securities Lending Agreement. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Securities Lending Account shall be:

(i) for application to obligations of the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty to the Issuer under a Securities Lending Agreement if the Securities Lending Agreement becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the related Securities Lending Agreement upon any “event of default” under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement, including liquidating the related Securities Lending Collateral, or

(ii) to return the Securities Lending Collateral to the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Securities Lending Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(c). To the extent provided in a Securities Lending Agreement, earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be payable by the Issuer to the related Securities Lending Counterparty.

Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the loaned security or asset that relates to the Securities Lending Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer.

(g) Closing Date Expense Account. Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Closing Date Expense Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On the Closing Date, the Trustee, at the direction of the Issuer, shall deposit into the Closing Date Expense Account approximately U.S.\$14,900,000 from the gross proceeds of the Offering. At any time before the earlier of (i) the Ramp-Up Completion Date and (ii) the Payment Date in May, 2007, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall, pay from amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account any applicable fees and expenses of the Offering. On the Payment Date in May, 2007, the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account (after application of any funds therein on such date) to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds and close the Closing Date Expense Account.

(h) Amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(a) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(i) Payment Account. Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Payment Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Payment Account shall be to pay amounts due and payable on the Notes in accordance with their terms and the provisions of this Indenture and to pay Administrative Expenses and other amounts specified in this Indenture, each in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Co-Issuers shall not have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Payment Account other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

(j) Interest Reserve Account. Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated trust account that shall be designated as the Interest Reserve Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On the Closing Date, the Trustee, at the direction of the Issuer, shall deposit into the Interest Reserve Account approximately U.S.\$5,600,000 from the gross proceeds of the Offering. At any time on or before the earlier of (i) the Ramp-Up Completion Date and (ii) the Payment Date in May, 2007, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall, (a) transfer from amounts on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account to the Payment Account an amount necessary such that the amounts referred to in Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) through (19) will be paid in full on the Payment Date occurring in May, 2007 or (b) at the discretion of the Servicer, transfer any funds on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds. On the Payment Date in May, 2007, the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account (after application of any monies

therefrom on such date) to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds and close the Interest Reserve Account. Amounts on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(a).

(k) Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account. Before the Closing Date, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the benefit of the Issuer, over which the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On each Payment Date, to the extent of available funds in accordance with the Priority of Payments, the Trustee will pay to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for deposit into the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account amounts equal to the products of (a) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date and (b) on any Payment Date on or prior to February 3, 2008 or with respect to which the Servicer has notified the Trustee on or before the related Determination Date that it is waiving its Servicing Fee, the Servicing Fees then due and payable, as described in Section 11.1(a), for payment to the Servicer on such Payment Date. The Servicer has agreed to waive such amounts, which would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as Servicing Fees, on each Payment Date occurring on or prior to February 3, 2008 and an amount equal to such waived amounts will be distributed by the Preference Shares Paying Agent in accordance with the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement and the laws of the Cayman Islands to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. After the two-year anniversary of the Closing Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event, an amount equal to such waived portion will be distributed by the Trustee, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment pro rata to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. For purposes of any calculation under this Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

(l) Class A-1B Funding Account. The Trustee shall, prior to the Closing Date, establish a segregated trust account designated the Class A-1B Funding Account. Any Aggregate Undrawn Amount deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 2.14(c) as a result of the failure of a Holder of a Class A-1B Note to satisfy the Rating Criteria during the Delayed Drawdown Period shall be placed in a separate subaccount of the Class A-1B Funding Account relating to such Holder and shall be used by the Trustee to fund such holder's *pro rata* portion of any subsequent Drawdown under the Class A-1B Notes. Amounts so placed in the Class A-1B Funding Account shall, for all purposes under this Indenture, be part of the Aggregate Undrawn Amount and such Holder shall be entitled to receive the applicable Delayed Drawdown Fee thereon. During the Delayed Drawdown Period, amounts held in each subaccount of the Class A-1B Funding Account shall be invested in Eligible Investments at the direction of the related Holder or, in the absence of such direction, in the Bank's "Cash Management Account" (the "**Standby Investment**") or such other Eligible Investment as may be specified in writing by the Servicer as the "Standby Investment". Amounts in the Class A-1B Funding Account as of the Business Day prior to the first Payment Date will be automatically converted to constitute Drawn Amounts under the related Class A-1B Notes; provided that to the extent the amount in the Class A-1B Funding Account exceeds the related Holder's *pro rata* share of the Fully Drawn Amount, such excess shall be remitted to such Holder on the first Payment Date.

(m) In addition to any deposit, withdrawal, transfer or other application of funds with respect to any Account set forth in this Section 10.3 or in Section 10.2, any deposit, withdrawal, transfer or other application of funds with respect to any Account authorized elsewhere in this Indenture is hereby authorized pursuant to this Section 10.3.

(n) In order to comply with its obligations under the USA Patriot Act of 2001, if any, the Trustee shall be entitled to request and verify, and the Noteholders, beneficial owners, the Co-Issuers and other parties related to this Indenture shall be obligated to provide to the Trustee all the necessary information required by the USA Patriot Act of 2001.

#### **Section 10.4. Application of Funds in Accounts; Reports by Trustee.**

(a) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall at all times before an Event of Default occurs, direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, apply all funds on deposit in the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account as so directed in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. All applications on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any Eligible Investments. Before an Event of Default occurs, if the Issuer has not given directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Servicer within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Date Expense Account or the Interest Reserve Account. If the Trustee does not receive written instructions from the Servicer within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall apply the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (c) of the definition of “Eligible Investments” maturing no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. After an Event of Default occurs, if the Issuer does not give directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall apply the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (c) of the definition of “Eligible Investments” maturing not later than the earlier of (i) 30 days after the date of the application or (ii) the Business Day before the next Payment Date. All interest and other income from such Eligible Investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from such Eligible Investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from such Eligible Investments shall be charged to the Collection Account. Subject to Section 6.7, the Trustee shall not in any way be held liable for the selection of Eligible Investments or because of any insufficiency of the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Date Expense Account or the Interest Reserve Account or any other account that results from any loss relating to any such Eligible Investment.

(b) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall at all times direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, apply all funds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, and the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities not later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase. All applications on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any Eligible Investments. If before an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Servicer within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account. If the Trustee does not thereupon receive written instructions from the Servicer within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall apply the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of “Eligible Investments” that are overnight funds. If after an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall apply the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of “Eligible Investments” that are overnight funds. All interest and other income from such Eligible Investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from such Eligible Investments shall be credited



to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from such Eligible Investments shall be charged to the Collection Account.

(c) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall at all times direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, apply all funds on deposit in the Securities Lending Account in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. All applications on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any Eligible Investments. The interest on the Eligible Investments shall be allocated between the Issuer and the Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the related Securities Lending Agreement. If before an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Servicer within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Securities Lending Account. If the Trustee does not thereupon receive written instructions from the Servicer within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall apply the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that mature no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. If after an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall apply the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. All interest and other income from such Eligible Investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from such Eligible Investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from such Eligible Investments shall be charged to the Collection Account.

(d) The Trustee agrees to give the Issuer notice as soon as reasonably practicable if a Trust Officer obtains actual knowledge that any Account or any funds on deposit in any Account, or otherwise to the credit of an Account, shall become subject to any writ, order, judgment, warrant of attachment, execution or similar process. All Accounts shall remain at all times with the Custodian or a financial institution having a long-term debt rating of at least "Baa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) by Moody's and at least "BBB+" by S&P and having combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000 that has entered into one or more securities account control agreements; provided, however, that (i) with respect to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Synthetic Security Counterparty shall be a party to such control agreement and shall consent to the Trustee's control of such Synthetic Security Collateral Account, (ii) with respect to the Securities Lending Account, the Securities Lender shall be a party to such control agreement and shall consent to the Trustee's control of such Securities Lending Account and (iii) with respect to each Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the related Hedge Counterparty shall be a party to such control agreement and shall consent to the Trustee's control of such Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.

(e) The Trustee shall supply, in a timely fashion, to the Co-Issuers and the Servicer any information regularly maintained by the Trustee that the Co-Issuers or the Servicer may from time to time request with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the Accounts and the Collateral and provide any other requested information reasonably available to the Trustee because of its acting as Trustee under this Indenture and required to be provided by Section 10.6, to permit the Servicer to perform its obligations under the Servicing Agreement. The Trustee shall promptly forward to the Servicer copies of notices and other writings received by it from the issuer of any Collateral Obligation or from any Clearing Agency with respect to any Collateral Obligation which notices or writings advise the holders of the security of any rights that the holders might have with respect to the Collateral Obligation (including requests to vote with respect to amendments or waivers and notices of prepayments and redemptions) as well as all periodic financial reports received from the issuer and Clearing Agencies with respect to the issuer.

(f) To the extent monies deposited in any Account exceed amounts insured by the Bank Insurance Fund or Savings Association Insurance Fund administered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any agencies succeeding to its insurance functions, and are not fully collateralized by direct obligations of the United States of America, the excess shall be held in Eligible Investments as described above.

**Section 10.5. Synthetic Security Counterparty Account.**

(a) To the extent that any Synthetic Security requires the Issuer to secure its obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty or to the extent that any Synthetic Security has an unfunded amount payable by the Issuer that does not by its terms require collateral, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee and the Trustee shall establish a segregated non-interest bearing trust account for the Synthetic Security which shall be held in trust for the benefit of the related Synthetic Security Counterparty and over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and this Indenture (a “*Synthetic Security Counterparty Account*”). In the alternative, a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account may be established with a trustee designated by the Synthetic Security Counterparty if that trustee would qualify to be a successor trustee under Section 6.9 and the account satisfies the other requirements of this Section 10.5.

As directed in writing by the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit (or deliver for deposit) into each Synthetic Security Counterparty Account all amounts or securities that are required to secure the obligations of the Issuer in accordance with the related Synthetic Security and, without duplication, an amount equal to the unfunded amount of a Synthetic Security, including the entire notional amount of any Synthetic Security in the form of a credit default swap or other similar transaction. The Servicer shall direct any such deposit only during the Replacement Period and only to the extent that monies are available for the purchase of Collateral Obligations pursuant to this Indenture. Any income received on amounts in the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall, after application in accordance with the relevant Synthetic Security, be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Interest Proceeds.

(b) As directed by the Servicer in writing and in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and this Indenture, amounts on deposit in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in Synthetic Security Collateral.

(c) In connection with the occurrence of a credit event or an event of default or a termination event (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security) under the related Synthetic Security, amounts in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be withdrawn by the Trustee (or the Trustee shall request their withdrawal) and applied toward the payment of any amounts payable by the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the Synthetic Security, as directed by the Servicer in writing. Any excess amounts held in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, or held directly by a Synthetic Security Counterparty, after payment of all amounts owing from the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the related Synthetic Security shall be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Principal Proceeds.

(d) Amounts on deposit in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the Synthetic Security that relates to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer (with the notional amount as the Principal Balance unless a default exists under the applicable Synthetic Security).

### Section 10.6. Accountings.

(a) Monthly. Commencing the earlier of (a) the first full month after the Ramp-Up Completion Date and (b) the month ending January, 2008, (i) in the case of a month in which there is no Payment Date, not later than the eighth Business Day after the last calendar day of such month and (ii) in the case of a month in which there is a Payment Date, on such Payment Date, the Issuer shall cause to be compiled and provided to the Servicer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares), the Placement Agent, each Hedge Counterparty, the Rating Agencies, (if so requested by the Placement Agent) the Repository in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(viii) or each Holder of a Note who makes a written request therefor, and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit D certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, the Beneficial Owner (or its designee), a monthly report (the “**Monthly Report**”). Each Monthly Report shall be accompanied by a Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice. The Monthly Report shall contain the following information, determined as of (1) in the case of a month in which there is no Payment Date, the last day of the applicable month and (2) in the case of a month in which there is a Payment Date, the Determination Date for such Payment Date, based in part on information provided by the Servicer (the “**Monthly Determination Date**”):

(i) Collateral:

(A) The Aggregate Principal Balance (and, in the case of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its funded and unfunded amount), interest rate, Stated Maturity and obligor of each Collateral Obligation;

(B) The stated principal balance of Defaulted Collateral Obligations;

(C) The identity of all Collateral Obligations and all obligations that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange do not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that were released for sale or other disposition (and, for each obligation sold, indicating whether sold as a Credit Risk Obligation, a Credit Improved Obligation, a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation, a Workout Asset or a Non-qualifying Collateral Obligation or whether sold in connection with any withholding tax pursuant to Section 12.1(e)); and the identity of all Collateral Obligations that were acquired, in each case since the date of the previous Monthly Report;

(D) The obligor of each Workout Asset;

(E) The Purchase Price of each Collateral Obligation acquired, the sale price of each Collateral Obligation sold (or the adjusted purchase or sale price with respect to any exchange of securities requiring an allocation by the Servicer) since the date of the previous Monthly Report, and the gain or loss (measured against its Purchase Price) on each sale;

(F) The identity of each Collateral Obligation (1) that is a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, a Workout Asset or a PIK Security, and in the case of a PIK Security (i) the principal amount of previously deferred or capitalized interest and (ii) the change in the principal amount of previously deferred or capitalized interest since the most recent Monthly Report or (2) in respect of which an obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation has been received, in each case indicating the date of such default, as applicable, and reporting any Other Indebtedness, as defined in clause (ii) in the

definition of “Defaulted Collateral Obligation,” that the Servicer has determined not to be material;

(G) The S&P Industry Classification and the Moody’s Industry Classification for each Collateral Obligation and the five highest concentrations of Collateral Obligations in the Moody’s Industry Classification groups and the five highest concentrations of Collateral Obligations in the S&P Industry Classification groups;

(H) For each Collateral Obligation, the country of the obligor (and the related foreign currency debt rating) and, in the case of a country other than the United States of America, whether the obligor is Domiciled in a Moody’s Group I Country, Moody’s Group II Country, or Moody’s Group III Country and the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations issued by issuers in the applicable country;

(I) For each Collateral Obligation, the Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate and S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate;

(J) For each Collateral Obligation, the S&P Rating, and if any S&P Rating for any Collateral Obligation in any Monthly Report is a credit estimate, “non-public” rating or “shadow” rating, the rating shall not be disclosed, but shall be replaced with an asterisk in the place of the applicable credit estimate, “non-public” rating or “shadow” rating;

(K) For each Collateral Obligation, the Moody’s Rating and the Moody’s Rating Factor, determined, for this purpose, and set forth both with and without regard to whether the Collateral Obligation has been put on watch for possible upgrade or downgrade, and if any Moody’s Rating for any Collateral Obligation in any Monthly Report is an “estimated” or “shadow” rating, the rating shall not be disclosed, but shall be replaced with an asterisk in the place of the applicable “estimated” or “shadow” rating;

(L) The Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that have a Moody’s Rating of “Caa1” or lower;

(M) The Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that have an S&P Rating of “CCC+” or lower;

(N) For each Collateral Obligation that is a Participation or a Synthetic Security or is loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement, the related Secondary Risk Counterparty and each Rating Agency’s long-term unsecured debt rating of the Secondary Risk Counterparty;

(O) Certain S&P benchmarks relating to the portfolio as provided by S&P in the S&P CDO Monitor regardless whether or not the S&P CDO Monitor passes or fails, including (1) S&P Default Measure (Annualized Portfolio Default Rate), (2) S&P Variability Measure (Annualized Standard Deviation of Portfolio Default Rate), (3) S&P Correlation Measure (Ratio of Standard Deviation of Portfolio with Correlation to Standard Deviation of Portfolio without Correlation) and (4) Weighted Average Default Correlation;

(P) The identity and Market Value of each Collateral Obligation whose Market Value (in the determination of the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator) was determined pursuant to last proviso in the definition of “Market Value”;

(Q) The identity of any Collateral Obligation that the related obligor of which is an entity for which the Servicer is the servicer or the manager;

(R) The identity of each Collateral Obligation participated from or entered into with a Secondary Risk Counterparty; and

(S) The identity of each Collateral Obligation owned by the Issuer that has not been disposed of within the time limits required by this Indenture.

(ii) Accounts:

(A) The amount of any proceeds in the Collection Account, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds (excluding unapplied proceeds), and unapplied proceeds;

(B) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Revolving Reserve Account;

(C) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account;

(D) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account;

(E) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Securities Lending Account; and

(F) The amount of any proceeds in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account;

(iii) Hedge Agreements:

(A) The outstanding notional amount of each Hedge Agreement; and

(B) The amount scheduled to be received and paid by the Issuer pursuant to each Hedge Agreement on the next Payment Date (as specified by the calculation agent under each Hedge Agreement);

(C) Coverage Tests, Collateral Quality Tests and Retention Overcollateralization Test:

(D) The Overcollateralization Ratios and the Overcollateralization Ratios as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date; a statement as to whether each of the Overcollateralization Tests is satisfied and a statement as to whether the Retention Overcollateralization Test is satisfied;

(E) The Interest Coverage Ratios and, on and after the second Payment Date, a statement as to whether each of the Interest Coverage Tests is satisfied;

(F) The Diversity Score and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Diversity Test is satisfied;

(G) The Weighted Average Life of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied;

(H) The Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate, the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test with respect to the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate and Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test with respect to the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate is satisfied;

(I) The Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied and a statement as to the amount of Spread Excess was used to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test;

(J) The Weighted Average Spread of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied and a statement as to the amount of Fixed Rate Excess was used to satisfy the Weighted Average Spread Test;

(K) The Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied; and

(L) The S&P CDO Monitor Test and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied and the Class Scenario Loss Rate and the then applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate with respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P and the adjusted Weighted Average Spread level determined as set forth in the definition of "Note Break-Even Loss Rate";

(iv) Concentration Limitations and Withholding Taxes:

(A) The percentage of the Maximum Amount itemized against each element of the Concentration Limitations and a statement as to whether each Concentration Limitation is satisfied; and

(B) Any withholding tax on payments under any Collateral Obligation;

(v) Securities Lending Agreements:

(A) Each Collateral Obligation loaned or borrowed pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and the percentage of the Maximum Amount that represents Collateral Obligations that are loaned or borrowed pursuant to Securities Lending Agreements; and

(B) With respect to each Securities Lending Agreement in effect as of the Monthly Determination Date, a list setting forth:

(1) for each Collateral Obligation loaned or borrowed under it as of the first day of the loan, (x) its Principal Balance, (y) its Market Value and (z) its Principal Balance expressed as a percentage of the Maximum Amount,

(2) the term of the loan of the Collateral Obligation,

(3) the expiration date of the Securities Lending Agreement,

(4) the Moody's Rating and S&P Rating for each loaned or borrowed Collateral Obligation,

(5) the principal amount of the related Securities Lending Collateral held in the Securities Lending Account, and

(6) the Eligible Investments held as Securities Lending Collateral pursuant to the related Securities Lending Agreement; and

(vi) Any other information the Trustee reasonably requests.

Upon receipt of each Monthly Report, the Trustee shall compare the information contained in the Monthly Report to the information contained in its records with respect to the Collateral and shall, within three Business Days after receipt of such Monthly Report, notify the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer if the information contained in the Monthly Report does not conform to the information maintained by the Trustee with respect to the Collateral, and shall detail any discrepancies. In the event that any discrepancy exists, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Servicer shall attempt to resolve the discrepancy. If such discrepancy cannot be promptly resolved, the Trustee shall within five Business Days after notification of such discrepancy cause the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8 to review such Monthly Report and the Trustee's records to determine the cause of such discrepancy. If such review reveals an error in the Monthly Report or the Trustee's records, the Monthly Report or the Trustee's records shall be revised accordingly and, as so revised, shall be used in making all calculations pursuant to this Indenture and notice of any error in the Monthly Report shall be sent as soon as practicable by the Issuer to all recipients of the report. If the review by the Independent accountants does not resolve the discrepancy, the Trustee, upon receipt of an Officer's certificate of the Servicer certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the information contained in the related Monthly Report is correct, shall conform the information it maintains to the Monthly Report received.

(b) **Payment Date Accounting.** The Issuer shall cause to be rendered an accounting report (the "**Valuation Report**"), determined as of the close of business on each Determination Date, and provided to the Servicer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares), the Issuer, the Placement Agent, each Hedge Counterparty, the Rating Agencies and each Noteholder (if so requested by the Placement Agent) the Repository in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(viii), the Depository (with instructions to forward it to each of its Agent Members who are Noteholders), and upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit D certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner and the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) not later than the second Business Day preceding the related Payment Date. Each Valuation Report shall be accompanied by a Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice. The Valuation Report shall contain the following information as of the related Payment Date (unless otherwise stated), based in part on information provided by the Servicer:

(i) Notes:

(A) The amount of principal payments to be made on each Class of Notes on the related Payment Date;

(B) The Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes after giving effect to any principal payments on the related Payment Date and, for each Class of Notes, the percentage of its initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount that amount represents;

(C) For each Class of Notes, the percentage of the initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all of the Notes that its initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount represented and, after giving effect to any principal payments on the related Payment Date, the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all of the Notes that its Aggregate Outstanding Amount represents;

(D) The interest (and, with respect to the Class A-1B Notes, Delayed Drawdown Fee) payable in respect of each Class of Notes on the related Payment Date (in the aggregate and by Class) and its calculation in reasonable detail; and

(E) The amounts to be paid, if any, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payments on the Preference Shares on the related Payment Date, showing separately the payments from Interest Proceeds and the payments from Principal Proceeds;

(ii) Payment Date Payments:

(A) The amounts to be distributed under each clause of Sections 11.1(a)(i) and 11.1(a)(ii) itemized by clause, and to the extent applicable, by type of distribution under the clause; and

(B) Any amounts payable under the Hedge Agreements by any Hedge Counterparty on or before the related Payment Date and its calculation in reasonable detail (as specified by the calculation agent under the Hedge Agreement);

(iii) Accounts:

(A) The amount of any proceeds in the Collection Account, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds (excluding unapplied proceeds) and unapplied proceeds;

(B) The amount in the Collection Account after all payments and deposits to be made on the related Payment Date, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds and as Principal Proceeds;

(C) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Revolving Reserve Account;

(D) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account;

(E) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account;



- (F) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Securities Lending Account;
- (G) The amount in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account; and
- (H) The amount in the Expense Reimbursement Account;
- (I) A notice setting forth LIBOR, as calculated by the Calculation Agent, for the next Interest Period and each Note Interest Rate for the next Payment Date; and
- (J) Any other information the Trustee reasonably requests.

Upon receipt of each Valuation Report, the Trustee shall compare the information contained in the Valuation Report to the information contained in its records with respect to the Collateral and shall, within three Business Days after receipt of such Valuation Report, notify the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer if the information contained in the Valuation Report does not conform to the information maintained by the Trustee with respect to the Collateral, and shall detail any discrepancies. In the event that any discrepancy exists, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Servicer shall attempt to resolve the discrepancy. If such discrepancy cannot be promptly resolved, the Trustee shall within five Business Days after notification of such discrepancy cause the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8 to review such Valuation Report and the Trustee's records to determine the cause of such discrepancy. If such review reveals an error in the Valuation Report or the Trustee's records, the Valuation Report or the Trustee's records shall be revised accordingly and, as so revised, shall be used in making all calculations pursuant to this Indenture and notice of any error in the Valuation Report shall be sent as soon as practicable by the Issuer to all recipients of such report. If the review by the Independent accountants does not resolve the discrepancy, the Trustee, upon receipt of an Officer's certificate of the Servicer certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the information contained in the related Valuation Report is correct, shall conform the information it maintains to the Valuation Report received.

(c) Failure to Provide Accounting. If the Trustee shall not have received any accounting provided for in Section 10.6(b) on the first Business Day after the date on which the accounting is due to the Trustee, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Servicer, and the Servicer shall use all reasonable efforts to cause the accounting to be made by the applicable Payment Date. To the extent the Trustee is required to provide any information or reports pursuant to this Section 10.6 as a result of the failure of the Issuer (or anyone acting on the Issuer's behalf) to provide the information or reports, the Trustee may retain an Independent certified public accountant in connection therewith and the reasonable costs incurred by the Trustee for the Independent certified public accountant shall be reimbursed pursuant to Section 6.8.

(d) Irish Stock Exchange. So long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange: (i) the Trustee shall communicate to the Irish Stock Exchange the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each listed Class of Senior Notes following each Payment Date and inform the Irish Stock Exchange if any such Class of Senior Notes did not receive scheduled payments of principal or interest on the Payment Date; (ii) the Trustee shall inform the Irish Stock Exchange if the ratings assigned to the Senior Notes are reduced or withdrawn and the information shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange; and (iii) the Trustee shall inform the Irish Stock Exchange, in advance, of the Note Interest Rate for each such Class, as well as the exact date of the following Payment Date.

(e) *Quarterly Letter.* The Servicer shall provide a quarterly letter to the recipients of the Valuation Report highlighting events occurring during the related quarterly period within 30 days of the date of the delivery of the Valuation Report.

(f) *S&P CDO Monitor.* On or after the Ramp-Up Completion Date and together with each Monthly Report, the Issuer shall provide to S&P the Excel Default Model Input File and, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, the name of the obligor thereon, the CUSIP number thereof (if applicable) and the S&P Priority Category thereof.

(g) *Payments or Transfers from the Payment Account.* Each Valuation Report shall constitute instructions to the Trustee to withdraw on the related Payment Date from the Payment Account and pay or transfer amounts set forth in such Valuation Report in the manner specified and in accordance with the priority established in Section 11.1 hereof.

#### **Section 10.7. Release of Collateral.**

(a) The Trustee shall present Collateral for redemption or payment in full in accordance with the terms of the Collateral upon receipt of an Issuer Order. If no Event of Default is continuing, the Issuer may, by Issuer Order executed by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, delivered to the Trustee at least two Business Days before the settlement date for any sale of an obligation certifying that the sale of the Collateral is being made in accordance with Sections 12.1 and 12.3 and the sale complies with all applicable requirements of Section 12.1, direct the Trustee to release the Collateral and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall deliver any such Collateral, if in physical form, duly endorsed to the broker or purchaser designated in the Issuer Order or otherwise cause an appropriate transfer of it to be made, in each case against receipt of the sales price therefor as specified by the Servicer in the Issuer Order. The Trustee may deliver any such Collateral in physical form for examination pursuant to a bailee letter.

(b) The Trustee shall, upon an Issuer Order executed by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, deliver any Pledged Obligation that is set for any mandatory call or redemption or payment in full to the appropriate paying agent on or before the date set for the call, redemption or payment, in each case against receipt of its call or redemption price or payment in full and provide notice of it to the Servicer.

(c) Upon receiving actual notice of any Offer, the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer shall notify the Servicer of any Collateral Obligation that is subject to a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion or other similar action (an “*Offer*”). If no Event of Default is continuing, the Servicer may direct the Trustee (and if an Event of Default is continuing, the Servicer may advise, and the Trustee may, in consultation with the Servicer, decide) to accept or participate in or decline or refuse to participate in the Offer and, in the case of acceptance or participation, to dispose of the Collateral Obligation in accordance with the Offer against receipt of payment for it. If the consideration to be received by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation is other than Cash, the consideration must be a Collateral Obligation that would be eligible for purchase by the Issuer pursuant to Section 12.2 assuming for this purpose that the Issuer committed to purchase the same on the date on which the Issuer accepts the Offer.

(d) Upon disposition by the Trustee of Collateral to any Person against receipt of payment therefore as provided in any of the foregoing clauses (a), (b) or (c), the Collateral shall be free of the lien of this Indenture. The lien shall continue in the proceeds received from the disposition.

(e) As provided in Section 10.2(b), the Trustee shall deposit any proceeds received by it from the disposition of a Pledged Obligation in the Collection Account, unless simultaneously applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or Eligible Investments as permitted under and in accordance with the requirements of this Article 10 and Article 12.

(f) The Trustee shall, upon receipt of an Issuer Order when no Notes are Outstanding and all obligations of the Co-Issuers under this Indenture have been satisfied, as evidenced by an Officer's Certificate or an Opinion of Counsel, release any remaining Collateral from the lien of this Indenture.

(g) The Trustee shall release from the lien of this Indenture any Collateral that is provided directly to a Synthetic Security Counterparty or deposited in a segregated account in accordance with Section 10.5. Any Collateral or proceeds received by or redeposited by the Issuer into the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.5 shall again be subject to the lien of this Indenture.

Any collateral deposited in a segregated account in accordance with Section 10.3(d), (e), and (f) shall be subject to the lien of this Indenture for the benefit of the Secured Parties. Any collateral withdrawn by the Issuer in accordance with Section 10.3(d), (e), and (f) shall be released from the lien of this Indenture by the Trustee to the extent returned to the appropriate counterparty pursuant to Sections 10.3(d), (e) and (f).

#### **Section 10.8. Reports by Independent Accountants.**

(a) At the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall appoint a firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation for purposes of preparing and delivering the reports or certificates of the accountants required by this Indenture. Within 30 days of any resignation by the firm, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall promptly appoint by Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee and each Rating Agency a successor firm that is a firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation. If the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, fails to appoint a successor to a firm of Independent certified public accountants which has resigned within 30 days after the resignation, the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, shall promptly appoint a successor firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation. The fees of such Independent certified public accountants and their successors shall be payable by the Issuer as an Administrative Expense.

(b) On or before January 31 of each year commencing in 2008, the Issuer shall cause to be delivered to the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer or each Noteholder or Holder of Preference Shares upon written request therefor, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit D certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) and each Rating Agency a statement from a firm of Independent certified public accountants indicating (i) that the firm has reviewed each Valuation Report received since the last review and applicable information from the Trustee, (ii) that the calculations within those Valuation Reports have been performed in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture (except as otherwise noted in the statement) and (iii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the preceding Determination Date. If a conflict exists between the firm of Independent certified public accountants and the Issuer with respect to any matter in this Section 10.7, the determination by that firm of Independent public accountants shall be conclusive. The statement shall be in the form of an Accountant's Certificate issued to the Issuer, the form of which shall be agreed on by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer.

(c) Upon the written request of the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any Holder of Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the firm of Independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to Section 10.7(a) to provide any Holder of Preference Shares with all information requested pursuant to Section 7.17(g) or provide the Issuer with any assistance required in its preparation.

#### **Section 10.9. Reports to Rating Agencies.**

In addition to the information and reports specifically required to be provided to each Rating Agency pursuant to this Indenture, the Issuer shall provide each Rating Agency with the Accountants' Certificates delivered to the Trustee under this Indenture, and such additional information as either Rating Agency may from time to time reasonably request. In addition, any notices of restructurings and amendments received by the Issuer or the Trustee in connection with the Issuer's ownership of a DIP Loan shall be delivered by the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) or the Trustee, as the case may be, promptly to the Rating Agencies.

### **ARTICLE XI.**

#### **APPLICATION OF MONIES**

#### **Section 11.1. Disbursements of Monies from Payment Account.**

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision in this Indenture, but subject to the other subsections of this Section 11.1 and to Section 13.1, on each Payment Date, the Trustee shall disburse available amounts from the Payment Account as follows and for application by the Trustee in accordance with the following priorities (the "*Priority of Payments*"):

(i) On each Payment Date, Interest Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period (other than Interest Proceeds previously used during such Due Period to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations or otherwise used as permitted by Section 10.2) shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

(1) to the payment of any taxes and registration and filing fees owed by the Co-Issuers (without limit) and then to the payment of Administrative Expenses up to the Administrative Expense Cap as follows:

FIRST, in the following order of priority,

- (i) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Trustee; and then
- (ii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Collateral Administrator; and then
- (iii) fee, expenses and indemnities of the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent; and then
- (iv) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Preference Shares Paying Agent; and

SECOND, in the following order of priority,

- (x) fees and expenses of the Administrator; and then

(y) fees and expenses of the Co-Issuers (including fees and expenses of counsel and surveillance, credit estimate, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies) and any other Person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for in this Indenture, and to the expenses (but not fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;

(2) the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts paid pursuant to clause (1) above to deposit into the Expense Reimbursement Account; provided that on the final Payment Date, no Interest Proceeds shall be distributed pursuant to this clause (2);

(3) first, payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for distribution by way of dividend by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Class II Preference Shareholders in accordance with Section 10.3(k) an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee then due and payable and second, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause;

(4) to the payment of all amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements (if any) other than any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;

(5) to the payment of (i) (A) accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-1A Notes, (B) accrued and unpaid interest and Delayed Drawdown Fee on the Class A-1B Notes and (C) accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-2 Notes, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, (A) the Class A-1A Notes, (B) the Class A-1B Notes and (C) the Class A-2 Notes, in each case on a *pro rata* basis;

(6) if either of the Class A Coverage Tests is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case, in the amount necessary so that all of the Class A Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (6) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(2) on the current Payment Date);

(7) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B Notes (excluding Class B Deferred Interest, but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class B Deferred Interest);

(8) to the payment of Class B Deferred Interest;

(9) if either of the Class B Coverage Tests is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes and

the Class B Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class B Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (9) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(3) on the current Payment Date);

(10) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class C Notes (excluding Class C Deferred Interest, but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class C Deferred Interest);

(11) to the payment of Class C Deferred Interest;

(12) if either of the Class C Coverage Tests is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class C Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (12) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(4) on the current Payment Date);

(13) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class D Notes (excluding Class D Deferred Interest, but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class D Deferred Interest);

(14) to the payment of Class D Deferred Interest;

(15) if either of the Class D Coverage Tests is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class D Notes in the amount necessary so that all of the Class D Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full, or if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that a Rating Confirmation is obtained, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (15) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(5) on the current Payment Date);

(16) to deposit in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds amounts representing Principal Proceeds previously used to pay amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (5), (7), (8), (10), (11), (13) and (14) above and not previously restored to the Collection Account or, if not restored to the Collection Account, used to purchase Collateral Obligations;

(17) if the Retention Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, for deposit to the Collection Account as Principal

Proceeds the lesser of (i) 50% of the remaining Interest Proceeds available after the payments pursuant to clause (16) above and (ii) the amount necessary to cause the Retention Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as of such Determination Date, after application of funds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(1) on the current Payment Date;

(18) to the payment of any remaining Administrative Expenses not paid under clause (1) above in the respective priorities specified in clause (1);

(19) first, payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for distribution by way of dividend by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Class II Preference Shareholders in accordance with Section 10.3(k) an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee then due and payable and second, to the payment (pro rata according to the amounts payable under clauses (x) and (y) below) to: (x) the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and (y) pro rata to each Noteholder entitled thereto, the applicable Extension Bonus Payment pursuant to, and in accordance with, Section 2.4(g);

(20) to the payment of any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;

(21) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0%;

(22) first, payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for distribution by way of dividend by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Class II Preference Shareholders in accordance with Section 10.3(k) of an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) the Supplemental Servicing Fee, if applicable and second, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Supplemental Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and

(23) any remaining Interest Proceeds, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares;

provided that, in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds referred to under clauses (21) and (23) above, in whole or in part on any Payment Date, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute any Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest

Proceeds that would otherwise be due and payable on such Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to any such Payment Date shall be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be increased accordingly.

(ii) On each Payment Date, Principal Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period other than:

(A) Principal Proceeds previously used to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or otherwise used as permitted by Section 10.2,

(B) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, or the Securities Lending Account, and

(C) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed Purchase Prices for Collateral Obligations with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment before the end of the Due Period for their purchase, but has not settled the purchase by the end of the Due Period,

shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

(1) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (5) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(2) to the payment of amounts referred to in clause (6) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class A Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (2), or until such amounts are paid in full;

(3) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (9) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class B Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (3), or until such amounts are paid in full;

(4) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (12) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class C Overcollateralization Test to be met as of



the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (4), or until such amounts are paid in full;

(5) to the payment of principal of the Notes in the Note Payment Sequence in an amount necessary to (A) cause the Class D Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (5), or until paid in full or (B) if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, obtain a Rating Confirmation, or until paid in full;

(6) (x) during the Replacement Period, all remaining Principal Proceeds to the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.19 and Article 12 (and, until so applied (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), to be deposited in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds) and (y) after the Replacement Period, at the discretion of the Servicer (with respect to Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations) to the purchase or funding of additional or replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the applicable provisions of this Indenture when appropriate Collateral Obligations are available, and until such time, to the Collection Account for the purchase of Eligible Investments;

(7) (x) FIRST, to pay the principal of the Class A-1 Notes, *pro rata* based on the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each of the Class A-1A Notes and the Class A-1B Notes, until the Class A-1 Notes have been fully redeemed and (y) SECOND, to pay the principal of the Class A-2 Notes, *pro rata*, until the Class A-2 Notes have been fully redeemed;

(8) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (7) and (8) of Section 11.1(a)(i), in the order set forth therein, to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(9) to pay the principal of the Class B Notes, *pro rata*, until the Class B Notes have been fully redeemed;

(10) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (10) and (11) of Section 11.1(a)(i), in the order set forth therein, to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(11) to pay the principal of the Class C Notes, *pro rata*, until the Class C Notes have been fully redeemed;

(12) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (13) and (14) of Section 11.1(a)(i), in the order set forth therein, to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(13) to pay the principal of the Class D Notes, *pro rata*, until the Class D Notes have been fully redeemed;

(14) (x) if the Payment Date is a Redemption Date in the following order of priority: (i) to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of the Redemption Prices of all of the Notes to be redeemed, (ii) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (18) through (22) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (iii) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares of the Redemption Price of any Preference Shares to be redeemed; and

(y) if the Payment Date is a Special Redemption Date, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of the Notes in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount, in each case until paid in full;

(15) to the extent not previously paid in full under clause (14) above, after the Replacement Period, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (18) through (22) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; and

(16) after the Replacement Period to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

(b) If on any Payment Date the amount available in the Payment Account is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by the Valuation Report, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for in the order and according to the priority under Section 11.1(a), subject to Section 13.1, to the extent funds are available therefor.

(c) The Trustee shall remit funds to pay Administrative Expenses of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in accordance with Section 11.1(a), to the extent available, to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer as directed and designated in an Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions) delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before each Payment Date.

(d) If the Hedge Counterparty defaults in the payment of its obligations to the Issuer under the respective Hedge Agreements on the date on which any payment is due thereunder, the Trustee shall make a demand on the Hedge Counterparty, or any guarantor, if applicable, demanding payment by 12:30 p.m., New York time, on that date. The Trustee shall give notice to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer and each Rating Agency upon the continuing failure by the Hedge Counterparty to perform its obligations during the two Business Days following a demand made by the Trustee on, the Hedge Counterparty, and shall take the action with respect to the continuing failure as directed by the Servicer unless an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing in which case direction is to be taken pursuant to Section 5.13.

(e) Except as otherwise expressly provided in Section 11.1(a), if on any Payment Date, the amount available in the Payment Account from amounts received in the related Due Period is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by any numbered or lettered paragraph or clause of Section 11.1(a) to different Persons, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for by the paragraph

or clause ratably in accordance with the respective amounts of the disbursements then payable, subject to Section 13.1, to the extent funds are available therefor.

## ARTICLE XII.

### SALE OF COLLATERAL OBLIGATIONS; PURCHASE OF COLLATERAL OBLIGATIONS

#### Section 12.1. Sales of Collateral Obligations.

Subject to the satisfaction of the conditions specified in Section 10.6, Section 12.1 and Section 12.3 and if no Event of Default is continuing as evidenced by an Officer's Certificate of the Servicer provided to the Trustee, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset if the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that the sale meets the requirements of any one of paragraphs (a) through (i) of this Section 12.1. If the Issuer sells any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset during the Replacement Period, the proceeds shall be applied in accordance with Section 12.2.

(a) Credit Risk Obligations. At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Risk Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Risk Obligation in accordance with such direction. Following any sale of a Credit Risk Obligation pursuant to this Section 12.1(a), at the direction of the Servicer during or after the Replacement Period, the Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (to the extent the purchase is in the best interest of the Issuer) meeting the Eligibility Criteria with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Sale Proceeds received by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral Obligation sold. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount.

(b) Credit Improved Obligations. At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Improved Obligation if either:

(i) during the Replacement Period, the Servicer has identified in writing before the sale one or more specific manners in which it will be able, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria and the requirements set forth in Section 12.1(i), to cause the Issuer to use the Sale Proceeds (it being understood that such identification shall not be considered either a requirement or an assurance that any specified purchase will be consummated) to purchase one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Credit Improved Obligation by the end of the immediately succeeding Due Period (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest) which in aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Tests, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith being improved, (ii) the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests and Concentration Limitations being improved on a net basis in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or

Concentration Limitations not being violated or, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased; or

(ii) after the Replacement Period, the Sale Proceeds received in respect of the Credit Improved Obligation are at least equal to its Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest;

and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Improved Obligation in accordance with such direction.

(c) Non-Performing Collateral Obligations. At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction. Non-Performing Collateral Obligations may be sold regardless of price.

(d) Non-qualifying Collateral Obligations. At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation (the “*Non-qualifying Collateral Obligation*”) at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell that obligation in accordance with such direction.

(e) Withholding Tax Sales. At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation subject to withholding tax at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction.

(f) Optional Redemption. After the Issuer has notified the Trustee of an Optional Redemption of the Notes in accordance with Article 9, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all or a portion of the Collateral Obligations as contemplated therein if (i) the requirements of Article 9 are satisfied and (ii) the Independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to Section 10.7 have confirmed the calculations contained in any required certificate furnished by the Servicer pursuant to Section 9.3(c). After a Majority of the Preference Shares have directed an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares in accordance with Section 9.2(b), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all of the remaining Collateral Obligations (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(i)) or a portion of the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous directions of Holders of the Preference Shares (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii)) and the Trustee shall sell the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

(g) Rating Confirmation Failure. After the Servicer has received notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody’s and S&P to confirm the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Securities, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell Collateral Obligations as contemplated in Section 9.1 and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

(h) **Workout Assets.** At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Workout Asset at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and regardless of price and the Trustee shall sell the Workout Assets in accordance with such direction.

(i) **Supervening Requirement.** Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Issuer (at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise) shall not acquire or dispose of a Collateral Obligation or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. For the avoidance of doubt, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise, may direct the Trustee to sell any CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation or Deep Discount Obligation only (a) if it constitutes Credit Risk Obligation or Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or (b) in connection with the Optional Redemption as set out in paragraph (f) above. The Trustee shall have no obligation to monitor compliance by the Issuer or the Servicer with respect to the requirement set out in this paragraph (i).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation (other than the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation or a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation pursuant to a sale that meets the requirements in paragraph (a) or (c) above, as applicable) following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to Section 14 of the Servicing Agreement until a successor Servicer is appointed pursuant to Section 12 of the Servicing Agreement.

#### **Section 12.2. Purchase of Collateral Obligations.**

(a) On any date during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, on any date after the Replacement Period), so long as no Event of Default is continuing, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to apply Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations) and the funds available from Drawdowns under the Class A-1B Notes to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) if the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the conditions specified in this Section 12.2 and Section 12.3 are met.

(b) **Eligibility Criteria.** No obligations may be purchased unless each of the conditions in the following clauses (i) through (xii) (the "**Eligibility Criteria**") is satisfied as evidenced by a certificate of the Servicer as of the date the Issuer commits to make the purchase, in each case after giving effect to the purchase and all other purchases and sales previously or simultaneously committed to:

(i) the obligation is a Collateral Obligation;

(ii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period:

(A) each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied and, if the commitment is made on or after the second Payment Date, each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied, or

(B) if any such Coverage Test is not satisfied, both:

(1) the extent of satisfaction of the Coverage Test is not reduced,  
and

(2) the Collateral Obligation is being purchased with Principal Proceeds other than:

(x) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, or

(y) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Workout Asset that has been received in exchange for a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;

(iii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Diversity Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(iv) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(v) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, each of the limits in the definition of "Concentration Limitations" is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(vi) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(vii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(viii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(ix) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(x) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(xi) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced; provided, however, that this Eligibility Criterion (xi) shall not apply either to the application of the proceeds from the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset or to the application of Principal Proceeds in respect of Defaulted Collateral Obligations; and

(xii) for any date occurring after the Replacement Period:

(A) each Coverage Test is satisfied and the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(B) each Collateral Quality Test is maintained or improved and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied;

(C) each Concentration Limitation is maintained or improved and the Aggregate Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations do not exceed 10.0% of the Maximum Amount;

(D) the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied and the Weighted Average Life of such Collateral Obligation is less than or equal to the Weighted Average Life of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments or of the Credit Risk Obligations or Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable;

(E) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation is at least equal to the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments or of the Credit Risk Obligations or Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable; and

(F) the current Moody's Ratings on the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-2 Notes are "Aaa" and the current Moody's Ratings on the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes, are no lower than one subcategory below their Initial Rating.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) one or more Collateral Obligations may be purchased pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange effected in compliance with Section 12.1(b) regardless of whether such purchase would otherwise satisfy the Eligibility Criterion set forth in clause (xii) above and (ii) the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to purchase any Collateral Obligation following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal or resignation pursuant to Section 14 of the Servicing Agreement until a successor Servicer is appointed pursuant Section 12 of the Servicing Agreement. .

(c) Certain Permitted Exchanges. The Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, exchange a Collateral Obligation for another Collateral Obligation in an A/B Exchange.

(d) Certification by Servicer. Not later than the Business Day preceding the settlement date for any Collateral Obligation purchased after the Closing Date (but in any event no later than the release of Cash for the Purchase Price of the purchase), the Servicer shall deliver to the Trustee an Officer's certificate of the Servicer certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the purchase complies with this Section 12.2 and with Section 12.3 (determined as of the date that the Issuer commits to make the purchase).

(e) Eligible Investments. Cash on deposit in the Collection Account may be held at any time in Eligible Investments in accordance with Section 10.4(a) pending the application thereof to purchase Collateral Obligations.

### **Section 12.3. Conditions Applicable to All Sale and Purchase Transactions.**

(a) Any sale or purchase by the Issuer of a Collateral Obligation shall be conducted on an arm's length basis and, if effected with the Servicer or a Person Affiliated with the Servicer or any fund or account for which the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer acts as investment adviser or servicer, shall be effected in accordance with the requirements of Section 5 of the Servicing Agreement on terms no less favorable to the Issuer than would be the case if the Person were not so Affiliated. The Trustee shall have no responsibility to oversee compliance with this clause (a) by the other parties.

(b) Upon any acquisition of any Collateral Obligation, all of the Issuer's interest in the Collateral Obligation shall be Granted to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture.

(c) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Article 12, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to sell or purchase any Collateral Obligation (other than the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation or a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation pursuant to Sections 12.1(a) or (c), as applicable) following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to Section 14 of the Servicing Agreement until a successor Servicer is appointed pursuant to Section 12(e) of the Servicing Agreement.

#### **Section 12.4. Certain Determinations Relating to Collateral Obligations.**

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Indenture, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have purchased any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to purchase, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to receive such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have acquired, granted or delivered, as the case may be, such Collateral Obligations on such date.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Indenture, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to sell, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to sell, and requiring the purchaser to purchase, such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold such Collateral Obligations on such date.

(c) Under the circumstances described in subsections (a) and (b) above, if the transaction contemplated by the contract, commitment letter, confirmation or due bill referred to therein does not settle on or before the 60th day following the scheduled settlement date (the "**Deadline**"), the deemed purchase or sale shall be deemed not to have occurred; provided, however, that the Servicer shall have the right to extend the Deadline for an additional period (not to exceed an additional 60 days) by notice to the Trustee, which notice shall include the Servicer's certification to the effect that the Servicer believes that the settlement shall occur on or before the extended Deadline.

(d) Scheduled distributions with respect to any Pledged Collateral Obligation shall be determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture.

### **ARTICLE XIII.**

#### **NOTEHOLDERS' RELATIONS**

##### **Section 13.1. Subordination.**

(a) With respect to each Class of Notes and the Preference Shares, the Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares that are Priority Classes and Junior Classes are as follows:



<u>Class</u>	<u>Junior Classes</u>	<u>Priority Classes</u>
Class A-1A	A-2 <sup>1</sup> , B, C, D, Preference Shares <sup>2</sup>	None
Class A-1B	A-2 <sup>1</sup> , B, C, D, Preference Shares <sup>2</sup>	None
Class A-2	B, C, D, Preference Shares <sup>2</sup>	A-1 <sup>1</sup>
Class B	C, D, Preference Shares <sup>2</sup>	Class A
Class C	D, Preference Shares <sup>2</sup>	Class A, B
Class D	Preference Shares <sup>2</sup>	Class A, B, C
Preference Shares	None <sup>3</sup>	Class A, B, C, D

1 Interest payments will be made to the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-2 Notes on a *pari passu* basis. The Class A-1A Notes and the Class A-1B Notes will be entitled to principal payments on a *pari passu* basis and will be senior to the Class A-2 Notes in right of repayment of principal.

2 Other than with respect to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, which may be payable to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as set forth herein and will have priority to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

3 The Preference Shares will be entitled to certain residual cash flow after payment of senior obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

(b) Anything in this Indenture or the Notes to the contrary notwithstanding, the Holders of each Class of Notes that is a Junior Class agree for the benefit of the Holders of Notes of each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class that the Junior Class shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes of each Priority Class to the extent and in the manner provided in this Indenture. If any Event of Default has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs and is continuing in accordance with Article 5, each Priority Class of Notes shall be paid in full in Cash or, to the extent a Majority of each Class consents, other than in Cash, before any further payment or distribution is made on account of any Junior Class of Notes with respect to the Priority Class. The Holders of each Junior Class of Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of Notes of each Priority Class in respect of the Junior Class, not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for failure to pay to them amounts due to the Junior Class, of the Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or under this Indenture until the payment in full of the Priority Classes or all the Classes, as the case may be, and not before one year and a day, or if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, has elapsed since the payment.

(c) If, notwithstanding the provisions of this Indenture, any Holder of Notes of any Junior Class has received any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes contrary to the provisions of this Indenture, then, until each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class of Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, has been paid in full in Cash or, to the extent a Majority of the Priority Class or the Class, as the case may be, consents, other than in Cash in accordance with this Indenture, the payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, which shall pay and deliver the same to the Holders of the applicable Priority Classes of Notes or the Holders of all Classes of Notes, as the case may be, in accordance with this Indenture. If any such payment or distribution is made other than in Cash, it shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and subject in all respects to this Indenture, including this Section 13.1.

(d) Each Holder of Notes of any Junior Class agrees with all Holders of the applicable Priority Classes that the Holder of Junior Class Notes shall not demand, accept, or receive any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes in violation of this Indenture including this Section 13.1. After a Priority Class has been paid in full, the Holders of Notes of the related Junior Class or Classes shall be

fully subrogated to the rights of the Holders of the Priority Class. Nothing in this Section 13.1 shall affect the obligation of the Issuer to pay Holders of any Junior Class of Notes.

(e) Distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) are subordinate to distributions on the Notes as described in the Priority of Payments.

(f) The Servicing Fees shall have priority only to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

### **Section 13.2. Standard of Conduct.**

In exercising any of its or their voting rights, rights to direct and consent, or any other rights as a Noteholder under this Indenture, a Noteholder shall not have any obligation or duty to any Person or to consider or take into account the interests of any Person and shall not be liable to any Person for any action taken by it or them or at its or their direction or any failure by it or them to act or to direct that an action be taken, without regard to whether the action or inaction benefits or adversely affects any Noteholder, the Issuer or any other Person, except for any liability to which the Noteholder may be subject to the extent the same results from the Noteholder's taking or directing an action, or failing to take or direct an action, in bad faith or in violation of the express terms of this Indenture.

## **ARTICLE XIV.**

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

#### **Section 14.1. Form of Documents Delivered to Trustee.**

In any case where several matters are required to be certified by, or covered by an opinion of, any specified Person, it is not necessary that all the matters be certified by, or covered by the opinion of, only one Person, or that they be so certified or covered by only one document, but one such Person may certify or give an opinion with respect to some matters and one or more other such Persons as to other matters, and any such Person may certify or give an opinion as to the matters in one or several documents.

Any certificate or opinion of an Officer of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Servicer may be based, insofar as it relates to legal matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, counsel, unless the Officer knows, or should know that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to the matters upon which his certificate or opinion is based are erroneous. Any such certificate of an Officer of the Issuer, Co-Issuer or the Servicer or Opinion of Counsel may be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or any other Person, stating that the information with respect to the factual matters is in the possession of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or the other Person, unless the Officer of the Issuer, Co-Issuer or the Servicer or the counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to factual matters are erroneous. Any Opinion of Counsel may also be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, an Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, stating that the information with respect to factual matters is in the possession of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, unless the counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to factual matters are erroneous.

Where any Person is required to make, give, or execute two or more applications, requests, consents, certificates, statements, opinions or other instruments under this Indenture, they may, but need not, be consolidated and form one instrument.

Whenever this Indenture provides that the absence of the continuation of a Default or Event of Default is a condition precedent to the taking of any action by the Trustee at the request or direction of either Co-Issuer, then notwithstanding that the satisfaction of the condition is a condition precedent to the Co-Issuer's right to make the request or direction, the Trustee shall be protected in acting in accordance with the request or direction if it does not have knowledge of the continuation of the Default or Event of Default as provided in Section 6.1(d).

#### **Section 14.2. Acts of Holders of Securities.**

(a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or taken by Holders of Securities may be embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments (which may be an electronic document, including, but not limited, to in the form of e-mail, to the extent permitted by applicable law) of substantially similar tenor signed by Holders of Securities in Person or by agents duly appointed in writing (provided that no signature shall be required on electronic documents, including, but not limited to, in the form of e-mail to the extent permitted by law). Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, the action shall become effective when the instruments are delivered to the Trustee (which instrument or instruments may be delivered through the Preference Shares Paying Agent, in the case of the Holders of the Preference Shares) and, if expressly required, to the Issuer. The instruments (and the action embodied in them) are referred to as the "Act" of the Holders of Securities signing the instruments. Proof of execution of any instrument or of a writing appointing an agent for a Holder of a Security shall be sufficient for any purpose of this Indenture and conclusive in favor of the Trustee and the Issuer, if made in the manner provided in this Section 14.2.

(b) The fact and date of the execution by any Person of any instrument may be proved by an affidavit of a witness to the execution or the certificate of any notary public or other Person authorized by law to acknowledge the execution of deeds. Any certificate on behalf of a jural entity executed by a Person purporting to have authority to act on behalf of the jural entity shall itself be sufficient proof of the authority of the Person executing it to act. The fact and date of the execution by any Person of any instrument may also be proved in any other manner that the Trustee deems sufficient.

(c) The Indenture Register shall prove the ownership of the Notes and the principal amount and registered numbers of Notes and the number of Preference Shares held by and the number(s) of the Preference Share certificate(s) issued to, any Person shall be proved by the Preference Share register.

(d) Any Act by the Holder of a Security shall bind every Holder of the same Security and every Security issued on its transfer or in exchange for it or in lieu of it, in respect of anything done, omitted or suffered to be done by the Trustee or the Issuer in reliance on the Act, whether or not notation of the action is made on the Securities.

(e) With respect to any time period or deadline to deliver any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other communication provided by this Indenture to be given by Holders of the Preference Shares, the Holders of Holding Preference Shares shall not be prejudiced by any delay in delivery of such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other communication from the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, Trustee or the Issuer, as the case may be. If any such Holder of Holding Preference Shares timely delivers such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other communication to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other communication shall be deemed to be timely delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, Trustee or the Issuer, as the case may be.

**Section 14.3. Notices, etc., to Certain Persons or Parties.**

(a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, order, notice, consent, waiver, or Act of Holders of Securities or other documents provided or permitted by this Indenture to be made, given, or furnished to, or filed with:

(i) the Trustee, Delayed Drawdown Note Agent or Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and made, given, furnished, or filed to and mailed, by certified mail, return receipt requested, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service guaranteeing next day delivery, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Trustee or Preference Shares Paying Agent addressed to it at its Corporate Trust Office, 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code EUC 108, Boston, Massachusetts 02116, telecopy no. (617) 937-5585, Attention: CDO Services, Brentwood CLO Ltd., or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto by the Trustee (any request, direction, order, notice or other communication from the Servicer to the Trustee under Article 12 (other than required certifications) may be by electronic mail, which shall be deemed to be in writing);

(ii) the Co-Issuers shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Issuer addressed to it at c/o Maples Finance Limited, P.O. Box 1093GT, Queensgate House, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, telecopy no. (345) 945-7100, Attention: The Directors, or to the Co-Issuer addressed to it at c/o Puglisi & Associates, 850 Library Avenue, Suite 204, Newark, Delaware 19711, telecopy no. (302) 738-7210, Attention: Donald J. Puglisi, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, with a copy to the Servicer at its address below;

(iii) the Servicer shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Servicer addressed to it at Two Galleria Tower, 13455 Noel Road, Suite 800, Dallas, Texas 75240, telecopy no. (972) 628-4147, Attention: James Dondero, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto;

(iv) the Placement Agent shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Placement Agent at 9 West 57th Street, New York, New York 10019, Attention: Structured Securities Group—CDO Structuring, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, and the Trustee by an Officer of the Placement Agent;

(v) any Hedge Counterparty shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered or sent by overnight courier service or by telecopy in legible form to the Hedge Counterparty addressed to it at the address specified in the relevant Hedge Agreement or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Issuer or the Trustee by the Hedge Counterparty;

(vi) the Rating Agencies shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to each Rating Agency addressed to it at Moody's Investors Service, Inc., 99 Church Street, New

York, New York, 10007, Telecopy No. (212) 553-4170, cdomonitoring@moodys.com, Attention: CBO/CLO Monitoring and Standard & Poor's, 55 Water Street, 41st Floor, New York, New York 10041-0003, telecopy no. (212) 438-2664, Attention: Asset Backed-CBO/CLO Surveillance and each Monthly Report shall also be sent to S&P electronically to CDO\_Surveillance@standardandpoors.com;

(vii) the Administrator shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by facsimile in legible form, addressed to Maples Finance Limited, P.O. Box 1093GT, Queensgate House, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, telecopy no. (345) 949-7100, Attention: The Directors; or

(viii) the Repository shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if delivered to the Repository at CDO Library, c/o The Bond Market Association, 360 Madison Avenue, 18th Floor, New York, New York 10017, electronic mail address: admin@cdolibrary.com. Any document required to be delivered or made available to the Repository by the Trustee may be made available by providing the operator of the Repository with access to a website containing such document in a format that permits the user to download the document as a PDF file.

(b) If any provision in this Indenture calls for any notice or document to be delivered simultaneously to the Trustee and any other Person, the Trustee's receipt of the notice or document shall entitle the Trustee to assume that the notice or document was delivered to the other Person unless otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture.

(c) Any Holder or beneficial owner of any Class A Note may elect to acquire bond insurance, a surety bond, a credit default swap or similar credit enhancement supporting the payment of principal and/or interest on such Class A Note on terms and conditions acceptable to such Holder or beneficial owner and at the sole expense of such Holder or beneficial owner. On or after any such acquisition, such Holder or beneficial owner may deliver notice (and if from a beneficial owner, any such notice shall include certification that such owner is a beneficial owner of the Class A Notes) to the Trustee in substantially the form of Exhibit F specifying the name and contact information of the insurer, surety, credit protection seller or enhancer of such Class A Note (each, an "**Insurer**"). After receipt of any such notice (in the form of Exhibit F) by the Trustee, the Trustee shall copy the related Insurer on all notices, reports or other documents delivered to the Noteholders.

(d) Unless notified to the contrary by Financial Security Assurance Inc. ("**FSA**") or unless FSA is no longer to direct the vote of at least a Majority of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1 Notes, each of the parties hereto agrees that, so long as any Class A-1 Notes are Outstanding, FSA shall be entitled to receive, and shall be distributed, all reports, notices, certificates, statements and other information (including access to the Trustee's password protected website) that are required to be delivered to any Holder of the Class A-1 Notes (or that any Holder of the Class A-1 Notes is entitled to request) at the same time and in the same manner as such reports, notices certificates, statements and other information are delivered to each such Holder of Class A-1 Notes, at the following address (or at any other address furnished in writing from time to time by FSA to the parties hereto): Financial Security Assurance Inc., 31 West 52nd Street, New York, NY 10019, Attention CDO Surveillance, telephone no.: (212) 826-0100; electronic mail: cdoreport@fsa.com, facsimile no.: (212) 339-3581. For the avoidance of doubt, FSA shall be entitled to request directly that the parties hereto provide it with such reports, notices, certificates, statements and other information that are required to be delivered to any Holder of the Class A-1 Notes (or that any Holder of the Class A-1 Notes is entitled to request).

**Section 14.4. Notices to Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent; Waiver.**

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, where this Indenture provides for notice to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) of any event,

(a) the notice shall be sufficiently given to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, each Noteholder affected by the event, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, at the address of the Holder as it appears in the Indenture Register, at the address of the Preference Shares Paying Agent supplied by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Trustee or at the address of the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent supplied by the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Trustee, as applicable, not earlier than the earliest date and not later than the latest date, prescribed for the giving of the notice; and

(b) the notice shall be in the English language.

Notices shall be deemed to have been given on the date of their mailing.

Notwithstanding clause (a), a Noteholder, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent may give the Trustee a written notice that it is requesting that notices to it be given by facsimile transmissions and stating the telecopy number for the transmission. Thereafter, the Trustee shall give notices to the Holder, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent by facsimile transmission. If the notice also requests that notices be given by mail, then the notice shall also be given by mail in accordance with clause (a) above, as the case may be.

The Trustee shall deliver to the Noteholders any information or notice relating to this Indenture requested to be so delivered by at least 10% (by Aggregate Outstanding Amount) of the Holders of any Class of Notes at the expense of the Issuer. The Trustee shall deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent any information or notice that the Preference Shares Paying Agent certifies was requested to be so delivered by at least 10% (by Aggregate Outstanding Amount) of the Holders of the Preference Shares at the expense of the Issuer. The Trustee shall deliver to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent any information or notice that the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent certifies was requested to be so delivered by at least 10% (by Aggregate Outstanding Amount) of the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares at the expense of the Issuer.

Neither the failure to mail any notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Noteholder, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent shall affect the sufficiency of the notice with respect to other Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent. If it is impracticable to give the notice by mail of any event to Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent when the notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this Indenture because of the suspension of regular mail service as a result of a strike, work stoppage or similar activity or because of any other cause, then the notification to Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent as shall be made with the approval of the Trustee shall be a sufficient notification to the Holders for every purpose under this Indenture.

Where this Indenture provides for notice in any manner, the notice may be waived in writing by any Person entitled to receive the notice, either before or after the event, and the waiver shall be the

equivalent of the notice. Waivers of notice by Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be filed with the Trustee but the filing shall not be a condition precedent to the validity of any action taken in reliance on the waiver.

So long as any Senior Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, all notices to Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Preference Shares) or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Holding Preference Shares) shall also be given to the Irish Paying Agent for publication in the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

The Issuer shall (and authorizes the Trustee to) deliver to the Placement Agent all periodic reports, notices, demands, and other written information delivered or received by the Issuer, the Servicer, trustees, paying agents, accountants, or other Persons pursuant to this Indenture and other operative documentation relating to the Notes requested by the Placement Agent (collectively, the “**Transaction Reports**”) and the Issuer consents to the Placement Agent’s providing Transaction Reports received by it to current and prospective investors in the Notes (including by means of electronic transmissions or posting the Transaction Reports on internet sites maintained by the Placement Agent or any of its Affiliates).

#### **Section 14.5. Effect of Headings and Table of Contents.**

The Article and Section headings in this Indenture and the Table of Contents are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction of this Indenture.

#### **Section 14.6. Successors and Assigns.**

All covenants and agreements in this Indenture by the Co-Issuers shall bind their respective successors and assigns, whether so expressed or not.

#### **Section 14.7. Separability.**

Except to the extent prohibited by applicable law, in case any provision in this Indenture, in the Notes shall be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the validity, legality, and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

#### **Section 14.8. Benefits of Indenture.**

Nothing in this Indenture or in the Notes, expressed or implied, shall give to any Person, other than the parties hereto and their successors under this Indenture, the Servicer, the Noteholders, the Holders of Preference Shares or the Preference Shares Paying Agent any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under this Indenture.

#### **Section 14.9. Legal Holidays.**

If any Payment Date, Redemption Date, or Stated Maturity is not a Business Day, then notwithstanding any other provision of the Notes or this Indenture, payment need not be made on that date, but shall be made on the next Business Day with the same effect as if made on the nominal date of the Payment Date, Redemption Date or Stated Maturity date, as the case may be, and except as provided in the definition of “Due Period,” no interest shall accrue on the payment for the period beginning on the nominal date.

**Section 14.10. Governing Law.**

THIS INDENTURE AND EACH NOTE SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS PROVISIONS THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION.

**Section 14.11. Submission to Jurisdiction.**

The Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or federal court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Securities or this Indenture, and the Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably agree that all claims in respect of the action or proceeding may be heard and determined in the New York State or federal court. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably waive, to the fullest extent that they may legally do so, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of the action or proceeding. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee irrevocably consent to the service of all process in any action or proceeding by the mailing or delivery of copies of the process to the Co-Issuers at the office of Investors Bank & Trust Company (to the attention of Investors Bank and Trust, Trustee for Brentwood CLO, Ltd.) set out in Section 7.2. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee agree that a final judgment in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

**Section 14.12. Counterparts.**

This Indenture may be executed in any number of copies, and by the different parties on the same or separate counterparts, each of which shall be considered to be an original instrument.

**Section 14.13. Acts of Issuer.**

Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or performed by the Issuer shall be effective if given or performed by the Issuer or by the Servicer on the Issuer's behalf.

**Section 14.14. Consent of Posting of Documents on Repository.**

The Issuer hereby consents to (a) the posting of the final Offering Memorandum, this Indenture and the periodic reports to be delivered pursuant to the transaction documents and any amendments or other modifications thereto on the Repository for use in the manner provided in the Repository and (b) the display of its name on the Repository in connection therewith. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Trustee makes any representation or warranty to The Bond Market Association (or any successor thereto) or any affiliate thereof or any Person having or obtaining access to the information maintained in the Repository or to any of such Person's affiliates regarding the accuracy or completeness of any information, document, report or other communication transmitted to the Repository, and no Person having or obtaining access to the information maintained in the Repository shall have any rights under this Indenture or otherwise by reason of the transmission of any such information, document, report or other communication to the Repository.

**Section 14.15. Liability of Co-Issuers.**

Notwithstanding any other terms of this Indenture, the Notes or any other agreement entered into by either of the Co-Issuers or otherwise, neither of the Co-Issuers shall have any liability whatsoever to



the other of the Co-Issuers under this Indenture, the Notes, any other agreement, or otherwise. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, neither of the Co-Issuers may take any action to enforce, or bring any action or proceeding, in respect of this Indenture, the Notes, any other agreement, or otherwise against the other of the Co-Issuers. In particular, neither of the Co-Issuers may petition or take any other steps for the winding up or bankruptcy of the other of the Co-Issuers and neither of the Co-Issuers shall have any claim with respect to any assets of the other of the Co-Issuers.

#### **Section 14.16. Indemnity of Co-Issuer.**

The Issuer agrees to indemnify the Co-Issuer for any payments that may become due from the Co-Issuer under Article 11 with respect to any Notes issued under this Indenture and any administrative, legal, or other costs incurred by the Co-Issuer in connection with those payments.

### **ARTICLE XV.**

#### **ASSIGNMENT OF SERVICING AGREEMENT; HEDGE AGREEMENTS**

#### **Section 15.1. Assignment of Servicing Agreement; Amendment of Servicing Agreement.**

(a) The Issuer, in furtherance of the covenants of this Indenture and as security for the Notes and amounts payable to the Secured Parties under this Indenture and the performance and observance of the provisions of this Indenture, acknowledges that its Grant pursuant to the first Granting Clause includes all of the Issuer's interest in the Servicing Agreement, including:

- (i) the right to give all notices, consents and releases under it,
- (ii) the right to give all notices of termination pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and to take any legal action upon the breach of an obligation of the Servicer under it, including the commencement, conduct and consummation of proceedings at law or in equity,
- (iii) the right to receive all notices, accountings, consents, releases and statements under it, and
- (iv) the right to do all other things whatsoever that the Issuer is or may be entitled to do under it.

Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, the Trustee may not exercise any of the rights in (i) through (iv) above or that may otherwise arise as a result of the Grant until the occurrence of an Event of Default under this Indenture and the authority shall terminate when the Event of Default is cured or waived.

(b) The assignment made hereby is executed as security, and the execution and delivery hereby shall not in any way impair or diminish the obligations of the Issuer under the Servicing Agreement, nor shall any of the obligations contained in the Servicing Agreement be imposed on the Trustee.

(c) Upon the retirement of the Notes and the release of the Collateral from the lien of this Indenture, this assignment, and all rights in this Indenture assigned to the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders shall cease and terminate and all the interest of the Trustee in the Servicing Agreement shall revert to the Issuer and no further instrument or act shall be necessary to evidence the termination and reversion.

(d) The Issuer represents that the Issuer has not executed any other assignment of the Servicing Agreement.

(e) The Issuer agrees that this assignment is irrevocable, and that it shall not take any action that is inconsistent with this assignment or make any other assignment inconsistent herewith. The Issuer shall, from time to time upon the request of the Trustee, execute all instruments of further assurance and all such supplemental instruments with respect to this assignment as the Trustee may reasonably request.

(f) The Issuer agrees to obtain the agreement and consent of the Servicer in the Servicing Agreement to the following:

(A) the Servicer consents to this collateral assignment and agrees to perform any provisions of this Indenture made expressly applicable to the Servicer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement.

(B) the Servicer acknowledges that the Issuer is collaterally assigning all of its interest in the Servicing Agreement to the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties and the Servicer agrees that all of the representations, covenants and agreements made by the Servicer in the Servicing Agreement are also for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

(C) the Servicer shall deliver to the Trustee duplicate original copies of all notices, statements, communications and instruments delivered or required to be delivered to the Issuer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement (other than any of them delivered to the Issuer by the Trustee or the Collateral Administrator).

(D) the procedure for amending the Servicing Agreement as set forth in Section 15.1(h).

(E) except as otherwise provided in this Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, subject to the resignation rights of the Servicer pursuant to Section 12 of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer shall continue to serve as Servicer under the Servicing Agreement notwithstanding that the Servicer shall not have received amounts due it under the Servicing Agreement because sufficient funds were not then available under this Indenture to pay the amounts pursuant to the Priority of Payments. The Servicer agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer for the nonpayment of the fees or other amounts payable by the Administrative Agent to the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement until the payment in full of all Notes issued under this Indenture and the payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent of all amounts payable with respect to the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the expiration of a period equal to the greater of (A) the applicable preference period plus one day or (B) one year and one day following the payment. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Servicer may commence any legal action that is not a bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation or similar proceeding against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any of their properties and may take any action it deems appropriate at any time in any bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation or similar proceeding and any other Proceeding voluntarily commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or involuntarily commenced against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by anyone other than the Servicer or any Affiliate of the Servicer.

(F) the Servicer irrevocably submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or federal court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Notes, the Preference Shares or this Indenture, and the Servicer irrevocably agrees that all claims in respect of the action or proceeding may be heard and determined in the New York State or federal court. The Servicer irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent it may legally do so, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of the action or proceeding. The Servicer irrevocably consents to the service of all process in any action or proceeding by the mailing or delivery of copies of the process to it the address provided for in Section 14.3. The Servicer agrees that a final and non-appealable judgment by a court of competent jurisdiction in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

(g) Following the resignation or removal of the Servicer, the Issuer shall use its best efforts to appoint a successor Servicer, and the Issuer, the Trustee, and the resigning or removed Servicer shall take any action consistent with the Servicing Agreement and this Indenture applicable to the Servicer, necessary to effectuate any such succession.

(h) (i) The Issuer may, at the request of the Servicer, enter into an amendment or modification of the Servicing Agreement from time to time, without the consent of the Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not the interests of the Holders of the Securities are adversely affected thereby; provided that, with respect to any such amendment or modification, (a) a Rating Condition is satisfied and (b) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares have not objected in writing to such amendment or modification prior to the relevant Objection Cut-Off Date (as defined below).

(ii) If at any time the Servicer desires to amend or modify the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer shall notify the Issuer and the Trustee, providing details of such proposed amendment or modification. Not later than five Business Days after receipt of such notice, the Trustee shall mail such notice to (a) each Noteholder at such Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as applicable, (b) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), (c) to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and (d) to each Rating Agency. If any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes or any Holder of the Preference Shares notifies, by delivering a written notice to the Trustee within 35 days after the Trustee has mailed such notice, that it objects to such proposed amendment or modification, the Trustee shall, within two Business Days after receiving such notice of objection, mail a notice of the receipt of such objection to the Issuer, the Servicer and other Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and other Holders of the Preference Shares. Each Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes and each Holder of the Preference Shares that also wishes to object to such amendment or modification must, by delivering a written notice, so notify the Trustee within seven Business Days after the Trustee has mailed such notice of the receipt of such objection (the last day of such seven Business Day period, the "**Objection Cut-Off Date**"). If a Majority of either the Controlling Class of Notes or the Preference Shares notifies the Trustee in writing on or before the Objection Cut-Off Date that they object to the proposed amendment or modification to the Servicing Agreement, such amendment or modification shall not be made.

## **Section 15.2. Hedge Agreements.**

(a) At any time and from time to time on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer and with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, shall enter into the Hedge Agreements and shall assign its rights (but none of its obligations) under the Hedge Agreements to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture and the Collateral Assignment of Hedge Agreements. The Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall obtain the approval of each new Hedge Agreement from each Hedge Counterparty to a then-existing Hedge Agreement. The Trustee shall, on behalf of the Issuer and in accordance with the Valuation Report, pay amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements on any Payment Date in accordance with Section 11.1.

(b) The Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless at the time of entering the Hedge Agreement the Hedge Counterparty has:

(i) a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "A1" (which rating of "A1" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) or higher if the Hedge Counterparty has only a long-term rating; or a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "A2" (which rating of "A2" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) or higher and a debt rating by Moody's for short-term debt of "P-1" (which rating of "P-1" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) if the Hedge Counterparty has both long-term and short-term ratings; and

(ii) a short-term debt rating by S&P of not less than "A-1" or, if the Hedge Counterparty does not have a short-term debt rating by S&P, a long-term debt rating of not less than "A+" (the "**Required Rating**").

(c) If at any time a Hedge Counterparty has:

(i) no short-term Moody's rating and a long-term Moody's rating and that rating is below "A1" or is "A1" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's; or

(ii) both a short-term and long-term Moody's rating; and either:

(A) the long-term Moody's rating is below "A2" or that rating is "A2" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's, or

(B) the short-term Moody's rating is below "P-1" or that rating is "P-1" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's

then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within 30 Business Days, either:

(1) post collateral on at least a weekly basis with the Trustee to secure the Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement, in an amount and of the type sufficient to equal the First Trigger Collateral Amount for such type of hedge;

(2) obtain a guarantor whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the above criteria; or

(3) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the above criteria;

provided that the failure to take any such steps set forth under paragraphs (1) through (3) above shall be treated as an “Additional Termination Event” under such Hedge Agreement.

(d) If at any time the Hedge Counterparty has:

(i) no short-term Moody’s rating and a long-term Moody’s rating that is “Baa1” or below or has been suspended or withdrawn;

(ii) both a short-term and long-term Moody’s rating; and either:

(A) the long-term Moody’s rating is “Baa1” or below or is suspended or withdrawn, or

(B) the short-term Moody’s rating is “P-3” or below, or

(C) a short-term debt rating by S&P below “A-1” or, if the Hedge Counterparty has no short-term rating by S&P, a long-term rating by S&P below “A+” or that has been suspended or withdrawn;

then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within 30 Business Days, either:

(1) obtain a guarantor that has a Required Rating and that will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P with respect to its appointment; or

(2) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has a Required Rating and the appointment of which will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P;

provided that failure to take any such steps set forth under paragraphs (1) and (2) above shall be treated as an “Additional Termination Event” under such Hedge Agreement. Until the Hedge Counterparty complies with either paragraph (1) or paragraph (2) above (when applicable), such Hedge Counterparty shall post collateral on at least a weekly basis as required by the Hedge Agreement to secure the Hedge Counterparty’s obligations under the Hedge Agreement in an amount and of the type sufficient to (i) cause the Rating Condition with respect to S&P to be satisfied and (ii) equal the Second Trigger Collateral Amount for such type of hedge; provided that the Hedge Counterparty shall, at the time such collateral is first posted, deliver to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Rating Agencies an Opinion of Counsel of nationally recognized standing in the jurisdiction in which the Hedge Counterparty is incorporated confirming that such collateral will be available in a timely manner upon a bankruptcy of the Hedge Counterparty.

Whenever the Issuer enters into a Hedge Agreement, the Hedge Counterparty shall comply with the then currently applicable rating criteria published by each Rating Agency from time to time.

(e) If at any time the Hedge Counterparty has a long-term unsecured debt rating by S&P below “BBB-,” then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required to replace itself within 10 days under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has a Required Rating and the appointment of which will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P; provided that failure to do so shall be treated as an “Additional Termination Event” under such Hedge Agreement.

(f) If the Issuer has the right under a Hedge Agreement at any time to demand that the related Hedge Counterparty deliver Eligible Collateral in accordance with an Approved Credit Support Document, the Issuer shall make the demand.

(g) Any payments required to be made under the Hedge Agreements shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Subordinated Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments shall be subordinate to interest and principal payments on the Notes and any other payments required to be made by the Issuer under the Hedge Agreements, but senior to distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares.

(h) Except as provided in paragraph (i) of this Section 15.2, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall, promptly following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) (but no later than 60 days after the early termination), at the expense of the Hedge Counterparty and to the extent possible through application of Hedge Termination Receipts, enter into a Replacement Hedge, unless, in the exercise of the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment, to do so would not be in the best interest of the Issuer and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the non-entry into the a Replacement Hedge. In addition, a Replacement Hedge may not be entered into unless the Issuer provides the Rating Agencies with at least seven Business Days' prior written notice of its intention to enter into the agreement, together with its form and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the Replacement Hedge. The Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than a termination resulting from the bankruptcy, insolvency, or similar event with respect to the Hedge Counterparty) to become effective simultaneously with its entering into a Replacement Hedge. To the extent that (i) the Servicer determines not to replace the Hedge Agreement and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the determination or (ii) termination is occurring on a Redemption Date, the Hedge Termination Receipts shall become part of Principal Proceeds and be distributed in accordance with Section 11.1(a) on the next following Payment Date (or on the Redemption Date, if the Notes are redeemed on the Redemption Date).

(i) Notwithstanding Section 15.2(h), the applicable requirements of Section 15.2(h) shall not have to be met if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is otherwise satisfied with respect thereto.

(j) The notional amounts of the Hedge Agreements outstanding at any time may be reduced or increased from time to time, by the Issuer, and the Hedge Agreements may be amended, modified or terminated in accordance with the Hedge Agreements if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the reduction, increase, amendment, modification or termination, as the case may be.

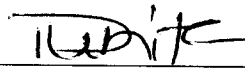
(k) Each Hedge Agreement may be terminated pursuant to its terms upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes or an acceleration of maturity of the Notes after an Event of Default. The Hedge Agreement will not be permitted to be terminated as the result of a Default or Event of Default unless any acceleration of maturity of the Notes resulting from the Event of Default is no longer permitted to be rescinded pursuant to this Indenture.

(l) Except for Hedge Agreements entered into on or before the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied.

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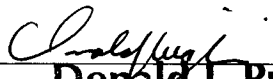
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**BRENTWOOD CLO, LTD.,  
AS ISSUER**

By:   
Name: Phillipa White  
Title: Director

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have set our hands as of the day and year first written above.

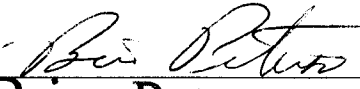
**BRENTWOOD CLO, CORP.,**  
**AS CO-ISSUER**

By:   
Name: Donald J. Puglisi  
Title: President



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have set our hands as of the day and year first written above.

**INVESTORS BANK & TRUST COMPANY,  
AS TRUSTEE AND AS CUSTODIAN**

By:   
Name: **Brian Peterson**  
Title: **Director**

Schedule 1

**List of Collateral Obligations**

Schedule 2

**Moody's Industry Classification Group List**

**Aerospace and Defense:** Major Contractor, Subsystems, Research, Aircraft Manufacturing, Arms, Ammunition

**Automobile:** Automotive Equipment, Auto-Manufacturing, Auto Parts Manufacturing, Personal Use Trailers, Motor Homes, Dealers

**Banking:** Bank Holding, Savings and Loans, Consumer Credit, Small Loan, Agency, Factoring, Receivables

**Beverage, Food and Tobacco:** Beer and Ale, Distillers, Wines and Liquors, Distributors, Soft Drink Syrup, Bottling, Bakery, Mill Sugar, Canned Foods, Corn Refiners, Dairy Products, Meat Products, Poultry Products, Snacks, Packaged Foods, Distributors, Candy, Gum, Seafood, Frozen Food, Cigarettes, Cigars, Leaf/Snuff, Vegetable Oil

**Buildings and Real Estate:** Brick, Cement, Climate Controls, Contracting, Engineering, Construction, Hardware, Forest Products (building-related only), Plumbing, Roofing, Wallboard, Real Estate, Real Estate Development, REITs, Land Development

**Chemicals, Plastics and Rubber:** Chemicals (non-agriculture), Industrial Gases, Sulfur, Plastics, Plastic Products, Abrasives, Coatings, Paints, Varnish, Fabricating

**Containers, Packaging and Glass:** Glass, Fiberglass, Containers made of: Glass, Metal, Paper, Plastic, Wood or Fiberglass

**Personal and Non Durable Consumer Products (Manufacturing Only):** Soaps, Perfumes, Cosmetics, Toiletries, Cleaning Supplies, School Supplies

**Diversified/Conglomerate Manufacturing**

**Diversified/Conglomerate Service**

**Diversified Natural Resources, Precious Metals and Minerals:** Fabricating, Distribution, Mining and Sales

**Ecological:** Pollution Control, Waste Removal, Waste Treatment, Waste Disposal

**Electronics:** Computer Hardware, Electric Equipment, Components, Controllers, Motors, Household Appliances, Information Service, Communication Systems, Radios, TVs, Tape Machines, Speakers, Printers, Drivers, Technology

**Finance:** Investment Brokerage, Leasing, Syndication, Securities

**Farming and Agriculture:** Livestock, Grains, Produce, Agricultural Chemicals, Agricultural Equipment, Fertilizers

**Grocery:** Grocery Stores, Convenience Food Stores

**Healthcare, Education and Childcare:** Ethical Drugs, Proprietary Drugs, Research, Health Care

Centers, Nursing Homes, HMOs, Hospitals, Hospital Supplies, Medical Equipment

**Home and Office Furnishings, Housedress, and Durable Consumer Products:** Carpets, Floor Coverings, Furniture, Cooking, Ranges

**Hotels, Motels, Inns and Gaming**

**Insurance:** Life, Property and Casualty, Broker, Agent, Surety

**Leisure, Amusement, Entertainment:** Boating, Bowling, Billiards, Musical Instruments, Fishing, Photo Equipment, Records, Tapes, Sports, Outdoor Equipment (camping), Tourism, Resorts, Games, Toy Manufacturing, Motion Picture Production, Theatres, Motion Picture Distribution

**Machinery (Non-Agriculture, Non-Construction, Non-Electronic):** Industrial, Machine Tools, Steam Generators

**Mining, Steel, Iron and Non-Precious Metals:** Coal, Copper, Lead, Uranium, Zinc, Aluminum, Stainless Steel, Integrated Steel, Ore Production, Refractories, Steel Mill Machinery, Mini-Mills, Fabricating, Distribution and Sales

**Oil and Gas:** Crude Producer, Retailer, Well Supply, Service and Drilling

**Personal, Food and Miscellaneous**

**Printing and Publishing:** Graphic Arts, Paper, Paper Products, Business Forms, Magazines, Books, Periodicals, Newspapers, Textbooks

**Cargo Transport:** Rail, Shipping, Railroads, Rail-car Builders, Ship Builders, Containers, Container Builders, Parts, Overnight Mail, Trucking, Truck Manufacturing, Trailer Manufacturing, Air Cargo, Transport

**Retail Stores:** Apparel, Toy, Variety, Drugs, Department, Mail Order Catalogue, Showroom

**Structured Finance**

**Telecommunications:** Local, Long Distance, Independent, Telephone, Telegraph, Satellite, Equipment, Research, Cellular

**Textiles and Leather:** Producer, Synthetic Fiber, Apparel Manufacturer, Leather Shoes **Personal Transportation:** Air, Bus, Rail, Car, Rental

**Utilities:** Electric, Water, Hydro Power, Gas, Diversified

**Broadcasting and Entertainment:** Recording Industry, Motion Exhibition Theatres, Motion Picture Production and Distribution, Radio, TV, Cable Broadcasting, Broadcasting Equipment

Schedule 3

**S&P Industry Classifications**

Corporate Obligations

0. Zero Default Risk
1. Aerospace & Defense
2. Air transport
3. Automotive
4. Beverage & Tobacco
5. Radio & Television
6. Brokerages, Dealers & Investment houses
7. Building & Development
8. Business equipment & services
9. Cable & satellite television
10. Chemical & plastics
11. Clothing/textiles
12. Conglomerates
13. Containers & glass products
14. Cosmetics/toiletries
15. Drugs
16. Ecological services & equipment
17. Electronics/electrical
18. Equipment leasing
19. Farming/agriculture
20. Financial Intermediaries
21. Food/drug retailers
22. Food products
23. Food service
24. Forest products
25. Health care
26. Home furnishings
27. Lodging & casinos
28. Industrial equipment
29. Insurance
30. Leisure goods/activities/movies
31. Nonferrous metals/minerals
32. Oil & gas
33. Publishing
34. Rail Industries
35. Retailers (except food & drug)
36. Steel
37. Surface transport
38. Telecommunications
39. Utilities

Corporate Structured Obligations

50. CDOs

Structured Obligations

- 51. ABS Consumer
- 52. ABS Commercial
- 53. CMBS Diversified (Conduit and CTL)
- 54. CMBS (Large Loan, Single Borrower, and Single Property)
- 55. REITs and REOCs
- 56. RMBS A
- 57. RMBS B&C, HELs, HELOCs, and Tax Lien
- 58. Manufactured Housing
- 59. U.S. Agency (Explicitly Guaranteed)
- 60. Monoline/FER Guaranteed
- 61. Non-FER Company Guaranteed
- 62. FFELP Student Loans (Over 70% FFELP)
- 63. CLO of SME's

Schedule 4**Diversity Score Calculation**

The Diversity Score for the Collateral Obligations is calculated by summing each of the Industry Diversity Scores, which are calculated as follows:

(i) An “**Obligor Par Amount**” is calculated for each obligor represented in the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) by summing the par amounts of all Collateral Obligations in the Collateral (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) issued by that obligor or any Affiliate of that obligor (other than obligors that the Servicer reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(ii) An “**Average Par Amount**” is calculated by summing the Obligor Par Amounts and dividing by the number of obligors represented. For purposes of calculating the number of issuers of the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations), any issuers Affiliated with one another shall be considered one issuer (other than obligors that the Servicer reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(iii) An “**Equivalent Unit Score**” is calculated for each obligor represented in the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) by taking the lesser of (A) one and (B) the Obligor Par Amount for the obligor *divided* by the Average Par Amount. For purposes of calculating the Equivalent Unit Score, any issuers Affiliated with one another shall be considered one issuer (other than obligors that the Servicer reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(iv) An “**Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score**” is then calculated for each of the Moody’s industrial classification groups by summing the Equivalent Unit Scores for each obligor in the industry.

(v) An “**Industry Diversity Score**” is then established by reference to the Diversity Score Table shown below for the related Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score. If any Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score falls between any two the scores then the applicable Industry Diversity Score shall be the lower of the two Industry Diversity Scores in the Diversity Score Table.

The Diversity Score for any Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation is equal to zero.

**DIVERSITY SCORE TABLE**

<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>
0.0000	0.0000	5.0500	2.7000	10.1500	4.0200	15.2500	4.5300
0.0500	0.1000	5.1500	2.7333	10.2500	4.0300	15.3500	4.5400
0.1500	0.2000	5.2500	2.7667	10.3500	4.0400	15.4500	4.5500
0.2500	0.3000	5.3500	2.8000	10.4500	4.0500	15.5500	4.5600
0.3500	0.4000	5.4500	2.8333	10.5500	4.0600	15.6500	4.5700
0.4500	0.5000	5.5500	2.8667	10.6500	4.0700	15.7500	4.5800
0.5500	0.6000	5.6500	2.9000	10.7500	4.0800	15.8500	4.5900
0.6500	0.7000	5.7500	2.9333	10.8500	4.0900	15.9500	4.6000
0.7500	0.8000	5.8500	2.9667	10.9500	4.1000	16.0500	4.6100
0.8500	0.9000	5.9500	3.0000	11.0500	4.1100	16.1500	4.6200
0.9500	1.0000	6.0500	3.0250	11.1500	4.1200	16.2500	4.6300
1.0500	1.0500	6.1500	3.0500	11.2500	4.1300	16.3500	4.6400
1.1500	1.1000	6.2500	3.0750	11.3500	4.1400	16.4500	4.6500
1.2500	1.1500	6.3500	3.1000	11.4500	4.1500	16.5500	4.6600
1.3500	1.2000	6.4500	3.1250	11.5500	4.1600	16.6500	4.6700
1.4500	1.2500	6.5500	3.1500	11.6500	4.1700	16.7500	4.6800
1.5500	1.3000	6.6500	3.1750	11.7500	4.1800	16.8500	4.6900
1.6500	1.3500	6.7500	3.2000	11.8500	4.1900	16.9500	4.7000
1.7500	1.4000	6.8500	3.2250	11.9500	4.2000	17.0500	4.7100
1.8500	1.4500	6.9500	3.2500	12.0500	4.2100	17.1500	4.7200
1.9500	1.5000	7.0500	3.2750	12.1500	4.2200	17.2500	4.7300
2.0500	1.5500	7.1500	3.3000	12.2500	4.2300	17.3500	4.7400
2.1500	1.6000	7.2500	3.3250	12.3500	4.2400	17.4500	4.7500
2.2500	1.6500	7.3500	3.3500	12.4500	4.2500	17.5500	4.7600
2.3500	1.7000	7.4500	3.3750	12.5500	4.2600	17.6500	4.7700
2.4500	1.7500	7.5500	3.4000	12.6500	4.2700	17.7500	4.7800
2.5500	1.8000	7.6500	3.4250	12.7500	4.2800	17.8500	4.7900
2.6500	1.8500	7.7500	3.4500	12.8500	4.2900	17.9500	4.8000
2.7500	1.9000	7.8500	3.4750	12.9500	4.3000	18.0500	4.8100
2.8500	1.9500	7.9500	3.5000	13.0500	4.3100	18.1500	4.8200
2.9500	2.0000	8.0500	3.5250	13.1500	4.3200	18.2500	4.8300
3.0500	2.0333	8.1500	3.5500	13.2500	4.3300	18.3500	4.8400



<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>
3.1500	2.0667	8.2500	3.5750	13.3500	4.3400	18.4500	4.8500
3.2500	2.1000	8.3500	3.6000	13.4500	4.3500	18.5500	4.8600
3.3500	2.1333	8.4500	3.6250	13.5500	4.3600	18.6500	4.8700
3.4500	2.1667	8.5500	3.6500	13.6500	4.3700	18.7500	4.8800
3.5500	2.2000	8.6500	3.6750	13.7500	4.3800	18.8500	4.8900
3.6500	2.2333	8.7500	3.7000	13.8500	4.3900	18.9500	4.9000
3.7500	2.2667	8.8500	3.7250	13.9500	4.4000	19.0500	4.9100
3.8500	2.3000	8.9500	3.7500	14.0500	4.4100	19.1500	4.9200
3.9500	2.3333	9.0500	3.7750	14.1500	4.4200	19.2500	4.9300
4.0500	2.3667	9.1500	3.8000	14.2500	4.4300	19.3500	4.9400
4.1500	2.4000	9.2500	3.8250	14.3500	4.4400	19.4500	4.9500
4.2500	2.4333	9.3500	3.8500	14.4500	4.4500	19.5500	4.9600
4.3500	2.4667	9.4500	3.8750	14.5500	4.4600	19.6500	4.9700
4.4500	2.5000	9.5500	3.9000	14.6500	4.4700	19.7500	4.9800
4.5500	2.5333	9.6500	3.9250	14.7500	4.4800	19.8500	4.9900
4.6500	2.5667	9.7500	3.9500	14.8500	4.4900	19.9500	5.0000
4.7500	2.6000	9.8500	3.9750	14.9500	4.5000		
4.8500	2.6333	9.9500	4.0000	15.0500	4.5100		
4.9500	2.6667	10.0500	4.0100	15.1500	4.5200		

Schedule 5**Moody's Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates**

The Moody's Recovery Rate for a Structured Finance Obligation will be the applicable rate set forth below based on the appropriate sector as categorized by Moody's:

**Diversified Securities** primarily include (1) Automobile Securities; (2) Car Rental Receivable Securities; (3) Credit Card Securities; (4) Student Loan Securities

**Residential Securities** primarily include (1) Home Equity Loan Securities; (2) Manufactured Housing Securities; (3) Residential A Mortgage Securities; (4) Residential B/C Mortgage Securities

**Undiversified Securities** primarily include (1) CMBS Conduit; (2) CMBS Credit Tenant Lease; (3) CMBS Large Loan; (4) those ABS Sectors not included in Diversified Securities

**Collateralized Debt Obligations** include (1) High-diversity CDOs (Diversity Score in excess of 20); (2) Low-Diversity CDOs (Diversity Score of 20 or less)

**Diversified Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	70%	60%	50%	40%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	60%	50%	40%	30%
<=10%	70%	65%	55%	45%	35%	25%

**Residential Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10% >5%	65%	55%	45%	40%	30%	20%
<=5% >2%	55%	45%	40%	35%	25%	15%
<=2%	45%	35%	30%	25%	15%	10%

**Undiversified Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10% >5%	65%	55%	45%	35%	25%	15%
<=5% >2%	55%	45%	35%	30%	20%	10%
<=2%	45%	35%	25%	20%	10%	5%

**High Diversity Collateralized Debt Obligations**

<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Initial Rating of Underlying Asset</u>					
	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	60%	50%	40%	25%
<=10% >5%	65%	55%	50%	40%	30%	20%
<=5% >2%	55%	45%	40%	35%	25%	10%
<=2%	45%	35%	30%	25%	10%	5%

**Low Diversity Collateralized Debt Obligations**

<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Initial Rating of Underlying Asset</u>					
	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	80%	75%	60%	50%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	70%	60%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10% >5%	60%	50%	45%	35%	25%	15%
<=5% >2%	50%	40%	35%	30%	20%	10%
<=2%	30%	25%	20%	15%	7%	4%

(1) Initial par amount of tranche to which Structured Finance Obligation relates **divided by** initial par amount of total securities issued by Structured Finance Obligation issuer.

Schedule 6**S&P Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates\***

The S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate for a Structured Finance Obligation will be the applicable rate set forth below based on the appropriate asset class and liability rating as categorized by S&P:

Senior Asset Class

	<u>Liability rating</u>						
	<u>AAA</u>	<u>AA</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>BBB</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>CCC</u>
AAA	80.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
AA	70.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
A	60.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
BBB	50.0%	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%

Junior Asset Class

	<u>Liability rating</u>						
	<u>AAA</u>	<u>AA</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>BBB</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>CCC</u>
AAA	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
AA	40.0%	45.0%	55.0%	65.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
A	30.0%	35.0%	40.0%	45.0%	50.0%	60.0%	70.0%
BBB	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	25.0%	35.0%	40.0%	50.0%
B	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%	10.0%	10.0%	20.0%	25.0%
CCC	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%

- \* This table shall not apply to project finance, future flows, synthetics, CDO repacks of ABS or CDOs, guaranteed ABS, distressed debt CDOs, synthetic CDOs, or emerging market CDOs. Recovery rates for such Structured Finance Obligations will be assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis.

Schedule 7**Certain Defined Terms Relating to S&P Rating and Moody's Rating**

***“Assigned Moody's Rating”***: The monitored publicly available rating or the annually renewed estimated rating expressly assigned to a debt obligation (or facility) by Moody's that addresses the full amount of the principal and interest promised; provided that, on or prior to each one-year anniversary of the acquisition of any Collateral Obligation with a Moody's annually renewed estimated rating, the Issuer shall submit to Moody's a request for a Moody's credit rating estimate for such Collateral Obligation, which shall be its Assigned Moody's Rating, together with all information reasonably required by Moody's to perform such estimate.

***“Moody's Default Probability Rating”***: With respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (a) with respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:
  - (i) if the Loan's obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, such corporate family rating; and
  - (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Obligation Rating of such Loan;
  - (iii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, the rating that is one subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating;
- (b) with respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating of such Collateral Obligation;
- (c) with respect to a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the rating that is one rating subcategory below the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof;
- (d) with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof; and
- (e) with respect to a Synthetic Security, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down (if on watch for downgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories or adjusted up (if on watch for upgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories.

***“Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating”***: With respect to any Collateral Obligation that is a Loan or bond and the obligor thereof, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

(a) if the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating;

(b) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's "Issuer Rating" for the obligor;

(c) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, then

(i) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "B3" (and, if rated "B3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one rating subcategory higher than such Assigned Moody's Rating, or

(ii) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "B3" (or rated "B3" and on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be such Assigned Moody's Rating;

(d) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, then:

(i) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "Caa3" (and, if rated "Caa3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one subcategory below such Assigned Moody's Rating, or

(ii) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "Caa3" (or rated "Caa3" and on watch for downgrade), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be "C";

(e) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but such obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be one rating subcategory below such corporate family rating;

(f) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be:

(i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher,

(ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; or

(iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating no lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (f)(iii), or clause (g)(iii) or (h)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(g) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (c) above; or

(iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (g)(iii), or clauses (f)(iii) or (h)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(h) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (d) above; or

(iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (h)(iii), or clauses (f)(iii) or (g)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(i) if the preceding clauses do not apply and each of the following clauses (i) through (viii) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa1":

(i) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings,

(ii) no debt securities or obligations of the obligor are in default,

- (iii) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates has defaulted on any debt during the preceding two years,
- (iv) the obligor has been in existence for the preceding five years,
- (v) the obligor is current on any cumulative dividends,
- (vi) the fixed-charge ratio for the obligor exceeds 125% for each of the preceding two fiscal years and for the most recent quarter,
- (vii) the obligor had a net profit before tax in the past fiscal year and the most recent quarter, and
- (viii) the annual financial statements of such obligor are unqualified and certified by a firm of Independent accountants of international reputation, and quarterly statements are unaudited but signed by a corporate officer;
- (j) if the preceding clauses do not apply but each of the following clauses (i) and (ii) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa3":
  - (i) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings; and
  - (ii) no debt security or obligation of such obligor has been in default during the past two years; and
- (k) if the preceding clauses do not apply and a debt security or obligation of the obligor has been in default during the past two years, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Ca."

Notwithstanding the foregoing, not more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may consist of Relevant Obligations given a Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating based on a rating given by S&P as provided in clauses (f), (g) and (h) above.

**"Moody's Obligation Rating":** With respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (a) With respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:
  - (i) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or
  - (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the rating that is one rating subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and
- (b) With respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond:
  - (i) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or
  - (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and
- (c) With respect to a Synthetic Security or a DIP Loan, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.



Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Obligation Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

**"Moody's Rating":** The Moody's Default Probability Rating; provided that, with respect to the Collateral Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or any successor to it ceases to provide rating services, references to rating categories of Moody's in this Indenture shall be deemed instead to be references to the equivalent categories of any other nationally recognized investment rating agency selected by the Servicer, as of the most recent date on which such other rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which such alternative rating agency is used.

**"S&P Rating":** With respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following methodology:

(i) If there is an issuer credit rating of the borrower of the Collateral Obligation (the "Borrower"), or the guarantor who unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the Collateral Obligation (the "Guarantor") by S&P, the most current issuer credit rating for such Borrower or Guarantor (provided that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating);

(ii) (a) if there is not an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation will be one subcategory below such rating; (b) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior unsecured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be such rating; and (c) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a subordinated obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be two subcategories above such rating if such rating is "BBB-" or higher and will be one subcategory above such rating if such rating is "BB+" or lower (provided that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating); or

(iii) if there is neither an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P nor a rating by S&P on an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating may be determined using any one of the methods below:

(A) if an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is publicly rated by Moody's, then the S&P Rating will be determined in accordance with the methodologies for establishing the Moody's Default Probability Rating, except that the S&P Rating of such obligation will be (1) one subcategory below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Baa3" or higher by Moody's and (2) two subcategories below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Ba1" or lower by Moody's; provided that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may be given a S&P Rating based on a rating given by Moody's as provided in this subclause (a) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

(B) if no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's, then the Servicer may apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating estimate, which will be its S&P Rating; provided that, on or prior to each one-year anniversary of the acquisition of any such Collateral Obligation, the Issuer shall submit to S&P a request for an S&P credit rating estimate for such Collateral Obligation, which shall be its S&P Rating, together with all information reasonably required by S&P to perform such estimate; or

(C) if such Collateral Obligation is not rated by Moody's or S&P, no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's and if the Servicer determines in its sole discretion based on information available to it after reasonable inquiry that such Borrower (x) is not subject to any bankruptcy or reorganization proceedings nor in default on any of its obligations (unless the subject of a good faith business dispute), (y) is a legally constituted corporate entity having the minimum legal, financial and operational infrastructure to carry on a definable business, deliver and sell a product or service and report its results in generally accepted accounting terms as verified by a reputable audit firm and (z) is not so vulnerable to adverse business, financial and economic conditions that default in its financial or other obligations is foreseeable in the near term if current operating trends continue, then the S&P Rating will be "B-"; provided that the Servicer must apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating on such Borrower within 30 days after the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation; provided, further, that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 5% of the Maximum Amount may be given an S&P Rating based on this subclause (c) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

provided that if (i) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any positive "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be increased by one rating subcategory or (ii) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any negative "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be decreased by one rating subcategory.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the S&P Rating shall be (A) the rating assigned thereto by S&P if the rating is public, (B) the rating assigned by S&P if the rating is confidential, but only if all appropriate parties have provided written consent to its disclosure and use, (C) the rating assigned by S&P thereto through an estimated rating or (D) the rating assigned thereto by S&P in connection with the acquisition thereof upon the request of the Servicer. In the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a PIK Security, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Securities, the S&P Rating may not be determined pursuant to clause (iii)(A) above. For purposes of any calculation under this Indenture, if a S&P Rating is withdrawn by S&P with respect to a Collateral Obligation, the Issuer will continue using the latest S&P Rating available immediately prior to such withdrawal until a bankruptcy event occurs with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

S&P Ratings for entities or obligations relevant hereunder other than Borrowers and Collateral Obligations shall be determined in a corresponding manner.

## **EXHIBIT M**

**EXECUTION VERSION**

**PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENCY AGREEMENT**

As of December 21, 2006

Investors Bank & Trust Company, as  
Preference Shares Paying Agent  
Attn: CDO Services, Brentwood CDO, Ltd.  
200 Clarendon Street  
Mail Code EUC 108  
Boston, Massachusetts 02116

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Brentwood CLO, Ltd., an exempted company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the “**Issuer**”), has resolved to appoint Investors Bank & Trust Company (“**IBT**”), as preference shares paying agent (the “**Preference Shares Paying Agent**”) for the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares issued by the Issuer (collectively, the “**Preference Shares**”). The Issuer hereby appoints IBT as such under the terms set forth below and confirms IBT’s agreement to distribute any funds to be paid to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Priority of Payments set forth in the Indenture (as defined herein) and in accordance with the laws of the Cayman Islands. Reference is also made to the indenture, dated as of December 21, 2006, among the Issuer, Brentwood CLO, Corp., as co-issuer (the “**Co-Issuer**”), and IBT, as Trustee (the “**Indenture**”). Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings assigned thereto in the Indenture or, if not defined therein, certain resolutions passed at a meeting of the Issuer’s Board of Directors that was held on December 20, 2006, as reflected in the minutes thereof, including Annex A (“**Annex A**”) therein (the “**Resolutions**” and, together with this Agreement and the Issuer’s Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association, the “**Preference Share Documents**”). The Preference Shares will be issued, and may be transferred, subject to the procedures set forth in Annex A to the Resolutions.

On the Closing Date, (i) all of the Class I Preference Shares will be offered and sold directly by the Issuer to Brentwood Investors Corp., an exempted company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands (“**Investors Corp.**”) and (ii) all of the Class II Preference Shares will be offered and sold by the Issuer directly to Highland Financial Partners, L.P. (“**HFP**”) (an Affiliate of the Servicer) and/or one or more of its subsidiaries. Investors Corp. will finance its purchase of the Class I Preference Shares by issuing preference shares (the “**Holding Preference Shares**”) in a number equal to the aggregate number of, at a price equal to the price of, such Class I Preference Shares purchased by it from the Issuer.

Section 1. Notice of Distribution to Directors. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, promptly after receipt of the Valuation Report, shall forward or make available to the directors of the Issuer (as identified to it by the Issuer) the Valuation Report which identifies the Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds, payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares on the applicable Payment Date.

Section 2. Payments of Dividends and Other Distributions, Amounts Not Distributable

(a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, subject to paragraphs (b), (c), (d) and (e) below, pay or cause to be paid, on behalf of the Issuer from the Preference Share Distribution Account or the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account, as applicable, on each applicable Payment Date, the Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds received from the Trustee to the Holders of the

Preference Shares as a distribution of dividend on such Payment Date. Such distributions of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds by way of dividend to the Holders of Preference Shares shall be paid *pro rata* in the proportion that the number of Preference Shares held by each such Holder bears to the total number of Preference Shares. The Issuer, or the Share Registrar on its behalf, shall provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with a copy of the Preference Share register on the Closing Date and thereafter, the Share Registrar will promptly notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent of any changes to the Preference Share register. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall notify the Issuer and the Share Registrar of any transfers of Preference Shares known to it and all information known to it with respect to the Preference Shares necessary to prepare and maintain the Preference Share Register. The Share Registrar shall be entitled to rely on any such information provided to it pursuant to the preceding sentence without any liability on its part. Any Class II Preference Share Special Payment that constitutes part of any such distribution will not be allocable to the Class I Preference Shareholders, rather such amounts will be available for distribution on the Class II Preference Shares.

(b) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, distributions of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds by way of dividend to the Holders of Preference Shares on any Payment Date shall (i) be subject to the Issuer being solvent under Cayman Islands law (defined as the Issuer being able to pay its debts as they become due in the ordinary course of business) immediately prior to, and after giving effect to, such payment as determined by the Issuer and (ii) be made only to the extent that the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium out of which to make such payment as determined by the Issuer. If the Issuer determines that the conditions set forth in either clause (i) or (ii) above are not satisfied with respect to any portion of Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds payable on such Payment Date, the Issuer shall instruct the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing not later than one Business Day prior to such Payment Date that such portion of Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds, as applicable, should not be paid, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not pay the same, to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the first succeeding Payment Date, or (in the case of any payments which would otherwise be payable on the Redemption Date or any Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) until the first succeeding Business Day, upon which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing that each such condition is satisfied, at which time the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall distribute such amounts. To the extent available, distributions shall be made first out of distributable profits for the current Due Period, then out of distributable profits in excess of dividends for prior Due Periods and then out of share premium.

(c) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, distributions of the Redemption Price by way of redemption of the Preference Shares shall be subject to the Issuer being solvent under Cayman Islands law (defined as the Issuer being able to pay its debts as they become due in the ordinary course of business) immediately prior to, and after giving effect to, such distribution as determined by the Issuer. For purposes of this subsection (c), a determination as to whether the Issuer is solvent on the Redemption Date shall be made by the Issuer (A) after giving effect to any payments to be made on such Redemption Date and (B) in light of the fact that the obligations of the Issuer to the Holders of the Notes, the other Secured Parties and the other Persons subject to the Priority of Payments are limited in recourse to the Collateral, and not to amounts (i) in the Preference Shares Distribution Account, (ii) any other amounts released from the Collateral in accordance with the Indenture and held by or on behalf of the Issuer for the benefit of the Holders of the Preference Shares or (iii) amounts on deposit in the Issuer's bank account in the Cayman Islands, and that after the assets in the Collateral are exhausted, such parties will have no further claim against the Issuer. If the Issuer determines that such condition is not satisfied on a Redemption Date with respect to any portion of the Redemption Price, the Issuer shall instruct the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing not later than one Business Day prior to such Redemption Date that such portion should not be distributed, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not distribute the same, to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the first succeeding Business Day upon which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing that such condition is

satisfied, and the amounts so retained in the Preference Shares Distribution Account will be held therein until such amounts are paid.

(d) On each Payment Date during the first two years following the Closing Date, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall distribute, on behalf of the Issuer, amounts received by it from amounts on deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account pursuant to Section 10.3(k) of the Indenture that are equal to the products of (a) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date and (b) the Servicing Fees then due and payable to the Servicer as described in Section 11.1(a)(i) of the Indenture, for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as the Class II Preference Share Special Payment. After the two-year anniversary of the Closing Date, the Preference Shares Payment Agent shall make distribution of such Class II Preference Share Special Payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares in an amount equal to any portion (between 0% and 100%) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable that the Servicer elects to waive at any time in its sole discretion.

(e) Dividends to the Holders of the Preference Shares (other than Class II Preference Share Special Payments) may be paid, in whole or in part on any Payment Date, with any Eligible Equity Securities held by, or on behalf of, the Issuer at such time in lieu of a distribution of Interest Proceeds. The Servicer, on behalf the Issuer, shall have the right to direct the Trustee in writing to distribute any Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares (as identified to the Trustee by the Preference Shares Paying Agent) with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be due and payable on such Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to any such Payment Date shall be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be increased accordingly.

### Section 3. Payments and Redemption

(a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall make payments or distributions (other than distributions of Eligible Equity Securities) to each registered Holder on the relevant Record Date (as set out in Annex A to the Resolutions) by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a U.S. Dollar account maintained by such Holder as notified to the Preference Shares Paying Agent or, in the absence of such notification, by U.S. Dollar check mailed to such Holder at its address of record. The Issuer shall, or shall procure that the Share Registrar will, provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with all relevant information regarding the registered Holders of the Preference Shares as the Preference Shares Paying Agent may reasonably require to the extent such information is in possession or control of the Issuer or Share Registrar.

(b) If the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, desires to make distributions of Eligible Equity Securities on any Payment Date in lieu of Interest Proceeds that are otherwise available for distribution to the Holders of Preference Shares on such Payment Date pursuant to the Priority of Payments as described in Section 2(e) above, the Servicer will notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing pursuant to the Servicing Agreement not later than 20 calendar days prior to such Payment Date and provide the Trustee, the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding on the Record Date or promptly thereafter, but in no

event later than two Business Days after the Record Date, to each Holder of the Preference Shares registered as such on the Record Date for such Payment Date) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding on the Record Date or promptly thereafter, but in no event later than two Business Days after the Record Date, to each Holder of the Holding Preference Shares registered as such on the Record Date for such Payment Date) with (i) details of the Eligible Equity Securities to be distributed, (ii) the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities determined as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date, (iii) any other information considered necessary by the Servicer in connection with such proposed distribution and (iv) any information as otherwise required by the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and/or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such proposed distribution. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall then mail such materials, within two Business Days of its receipt thereof from the Servicer, to each registered Holder of Preference Shares on the Record Date for such Payment Date along with a form of notice and consent (in a form attached hereto in Schedule I) seeking the written consent of each such Holder of Preference Shares to distribute such Eligible Equity Securities to such Holder in lieu of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date. Each Holder of the Preference Shares wishing to receive such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of a distribution of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such applicable Payment Date (each such Holder with respect to such Payment Date, a “**Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares**”) is required to deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent a written consent (which consent will be irrevocable) no later than five Business Days prior to such Payment Date. If any Holder of Preference Shares does not timely deliver its written consent to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in the manner set forth in such notice indicating its consent to the receipt of such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of a distribution of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date, such Holder shall be deemed to have not given its consent and shall not be a Consenting Holder of Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. On each applicable Payment Date (or as soon thereafter as reasonably practicable), Eligible Equity Securities shall be distributed *pro rata* to each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. Each Holder of Preference Shares that is not a Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares (and, for the avoidance of doubt, each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares to the extent the Market Value as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date of the *pro rata* portion of Eligible Equity Securities distributed to it on such Payment Date is less than the *pro rata* portion of the Interest Proceeds that it would have received on such Payment Date had the Eligible Equity Securities not been distributed on such Payment Date) on any applicable Payment Date shall receive a distribution of Interest Proceeds to the extent available in accordance with the Priority of Payments on such Payment Date in accordance with Section 2(e) herein and the Indenture.

(c) The Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be obligated to pay any additional amounts to Holders or beneficial owners of the Preference Shares as a result of any withholding or deduction for, or on account of, any present or future taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges. As a condition to payment of any amount, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, may require certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments or distributions in respect of Preference Shares under any present or future law or regulation of the United States or any present or future law or regulation of any political subdivision thereof or taxing authority therein or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under such law or regulation. Amounts properly withheld under the Code by any Person from a payment or distribution to a Holder of Preference Shares shall be considered as having been paid by the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent to such Holder for all purposes herein. The Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereby provide notice to each Holder or beneficial owner of the Preference Shares that the failure to provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with appropriate tax certifications will result in amounts being withheld from payments to such Holders or

beneficial owners of the Preference Shares under this Agreement (provided that amounts withheld pursuant to applicable tax laws shall be considered as having been paid by the Issuer as provided herein).

(d) The Issuer, the Share Registrar and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem and treat the Holder of any Preference Shares as the absolute owner of such Preference Shares, notwithstanding any notation of ownership or other writing on any certificate representing such Preference Shares, for the purpose of paying dividends and other distributions thereon, and for all other purposes, and none of the Issuer, the Share Registrar or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be affected by any notice to the contrary. All such payments (including distributions of Eligible Equity Securities) so made to such Holder or upon such Holder's order shall be valid and, to the extent of the sum or sums so paid, effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability for the monies payable upon any such Preference Share.

(e) All payments by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder shall be made without charging any commission or fee to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

(f) On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, subject to the Issuer having sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium of the Preference Shares out of which to pay such amounts, the Issuer shall redeem the Preference Shares for a redemption price equal to all amounts distributable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by the Trustee for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Priority of Payments set forth in the Indenture, unless the Preference Shares have been redeemed earlier through an optional redemption or otherwise. Upon final payment due on the Preference Shares (whether on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date or any earlier Redemption Date), the Holder thereof shall present and surrender the certificates, if any, representing the Preference Shares at the office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent on or prior to such final payment date. On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, all payments on redemption of Preference Shares to the Holders of the Preference Shares shall be made *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings.

Notice of final payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to an optional redemption in conjunction with an optional redemption of the Notes shall be given as set forth in Section 9.3 of the Indenture. Notice of any other final payment shall be given by the Preference Shares Paying Agent by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days nor earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date to each Holder of Preference Shares at such Holder's address as set forth in the Preference Share register.

All notices of redemption shall state:

- (i) the Redemption Date on which the Preference Shares are to be redeemed;
- (ii) the applicable Redemption Price for the Preference Shares being redeemed;
- (iii) the place or places where such Preference Shares to be redeemed are to be surrendered for payment of the applicable Redemption Price, which shall be the office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent; and
- (iv) in the case of an optional redemption, the latest possible date upon which such notice of redemption may be withdrawn.



The Issuer shall have the option to withdraw any such notice of redemption up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Trustee, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares) in each case only if either (i) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) of the Indenture, the Servicer does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications required under the Indenture (as described in Section 9.3(c) and 12.1(f) of the Indenture), as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, (ii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i) of the Indenture, the Issuer receives the written direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption and (iii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii) of the Indenture, the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer thereby agrees for the benefit of the directing person to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (ii) or this clause (iii)). Notice of any such withdrawal shall be delivered pursuant to Section 9.3 of the Indenture.

Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Preference Shares.

(g) On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, so long as all administrative fees and expenses and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture and all amounts owing under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged:

(i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments to the Preference Share Distribution Account for distribution by the Preference Share Paying Agent to the Holders of the Preference Shares, in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings; or

(ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, voting as a single Class or group, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such direction.

(h) If any Holder of Preference Shares desires to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Notes in accordance with Section 9.2(a) of the Indenture, such Holder shall notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Servicer in writing not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made. If the Holders of at least a Super Majority of the Preference Shares direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Notes, the Issuer shall effect an Optional Redemption of the Notes pursuant to the procedures described in the Indenture.

(i) If any Holder of Preference Shares desires to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares after the redemption or repayment of the Notes and in accordance with paragraphs (g)(i) and (ii) above, such Holder shall notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent not later

than 30 Business Days (or with the Servicer's consent, not later than 20 Business Days) prior to the proposed Redemption Date (which must be a Payment Date). Upon receiving such notice, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall promptly (and in no event later than two Business Days thereafter) notify the Issuer and each Holder of the Preference Shares thereof. Each Holder of Preference Shares that also wishes to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares must so notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent (who shall promptly notify the Issuer and the Servicer of such direction) within 20 Business Days after receipt of such notice. If the aggregate number of Preference Shares that have directed the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares equals or exceeds the minimum threshold set forth in paragraphs (g)(i) and (ii) above, the Issuer shall effect an optional redemption of the Preference Shares pursuant to the procedures described in the Preference Share Documents. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Preference Shares must be redeemed on or prior to the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. The Preference Shares shall be redeemed from the proceeds of any Collateral remaining after giving effect to the redemption or repayment of the Notes and payment in full of all expenses of the Co-Issuers.

#### Section 4. Accounts

(a) On or prior to the Closing Date, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the "Preference Shares Distribution Account" (the "**Preference Shares Distribution Account**") that shall be held in trust in the name of the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the benefit of the Issuer, over which the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall direct the Trustee to make any payment pursuant to the Priority of Payments by wire transfer (or by internal transfer if the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent are the same Person) to the Preference Shares Distribution Account in immediately available funds. All sums received by the Preference Shares Paying Agent from the Trustee or the Issuer for payment of dividends or other distributions (other than the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) or the Redemption Price in respect of the Preference Shares shall be deposited promptly in the Preference Shares Distribution Account until the first Payment Date or, in the case of the payment of the Redemption Price in respect of the Preference Shares, the first Business Day, on which, in either case, the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent that such distribution can be made to the Holders of the Preference Shares in accordance with Section 2 hereof. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall then apply such funds as provided for in Section 3 hereof. All sums payable by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder shall be paid out of the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

(b) On or prior to the Closing Date, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the "Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account" (the "**Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account**") that shall be held in trust in the name of the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the benefit of the Issuer, over which the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall direct the Trustee to make any payment pursuant to the Priority of Payments by wire transfer (or by internal transfer if the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent are the same Person) to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in immediately available funds. All sums received by the Preference Shares Paying Agent from the Trustee or the Issuer for payment of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments in respect of the Class II Preference Shares shall be deposited promptly in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account until the first Payment Date on which, in either case, the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent that such distribution can be made to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares in accordance with Section 2 hereof. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall then apply such funds as provided for in Section 3 hereof. All sums payable by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder shall be paid out of the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account.

(c) Notwithstanding anything herein, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not incur any personal liability to pay amounts due to Holders of the Preference Shares and shall only be required to make payments or other distributions (including the Redemption Price thereof) to the Holders of the Preference Shares if the Issuer is solvent at the time of and immediately after any such payment or distribution in accordance with Cayman Islands law (as determined by the Issuer) there are sufficient monies in the Preference Shares Distribution Account or the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account, as applicable, to make such payments or other distributions.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no right of set off with respect to amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account or the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account.

(e) Amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account and the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account that are not paid out may be deposited in an interest-bearing account as directed in writing by the Issuer.

Section 5. Unclaimed Payments. Except as otherwise required by applicable law, any money deposited with the Preference Shares Paying Agent and held in the Preference Shares Distribution Account or the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account or otherwise held for payment on any Preference Share and remaining unclaimed for two years after such payment has become due and payable shall be paid to the Issuer upon Issuer Request; and the Holder of such Preference Share shall thereafter look only to the Issuer for payment of such amounts and all liability of the Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such money (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Issuer) shall thereupon cease. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, before being required to make any such release of payment, may, but shall not be required to, adopt and employ, at the expense of the Issuer any reasonable means of notification of such release of payment, including, but not limited to, arranging with the Share Registrar for the Share Registrar to mail notice of such release to Holders of Preference Shares whose right to or interest in monies due and payable but not claimed is determinable from the records of the Issuer or Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, at the last address of record of each such Holder.

#### Section 6. Additional Issuance of Preference Shares

(a) At any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the proceeds from such issuance and sale to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or as otherwise permitted under the Preference Share Documents and the Indenture; provided that the following conditions are met: (i) the terms of the Preference Shares issued shall be identical to the terms of previously issued Preference Shares and (ii) the net proceeds of any additional Preference Shares shall be used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations. Such additional Preference Shares may be offered and sold at prices that differ from the initial offering prices of the outstanding Preference Shares; provided that the initial offering prices of additional Preference Shares shall not be below 100% of the face amount thereof. The Issuer shall cause purchases of additional Preference Shares made pursuant to an additional issuance of Preference Shares to comply individually and in the aggregate with the applicable purchase and transfer restrictions for the Preference Shares set forth herein in Section 9 hereof and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

(b) Any additional Preference Shares issued shall, to the extent reasonably practicable, be offered by the Issuer first to the existing Holders of the Preference Shares, in such amounts as are necessary to preserve their *pro rata* holdings of the Preference Shares.

Section 7. Purchase and Redesignation of Preference Shares

(a) Each Holder or beneficial owner of a Preference Share, by its ownership of such Preference Share, acknowledges and agrees that each Non-Consenting Holder of Preference Shares with respect to an amendment of the Indenture (which includes Holders that fail to respond to a consent solicitation within the applicable period) will be forced to sell its applicable Preference Shares pursuant to Section 9.6 of the Indenture, whereby the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser is permitted to purchase the Preference Shares held by any such Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; provided that if any Non-Consenting Holder holds Class II Preference Shares, (i) such Non-Consenting Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to Investors Corp. and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares, (ii) Investors Corp. will issue additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such redesignated Preference Shares purchased by it and (iii) the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser will purchase such additional Holding Preference Shares in lieu of such redesignated Preference Shares.

(b) Each Holder or beneficial owner of a Preference Share will have the right to sell such Preference Share to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser upon a Maturity Extension pursuant to Section 2.4 of the Indenture at the applicable Extension Purchase Price and absent such sale shall be subject to an extension of the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date as set forth in the Indenture and the other aspects of a Maturity Extension under the Indenture; provided that if any Holder of Class II Preference Shares delivers an Extension Sale Notice notifying the Issuer and the Trustee of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Class II Preference Shares, (i) such Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to Investors Corp. and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares, (ii) Investors Corp. will issue additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such redesignated Preference Shares purchased by it and (iii) the Extension Qualifying Purchaser will purchase such additional Holding Preference Shares in lieu of such redesignated Preference Shares.

(c) The Share Registrar will record in the register maintained by it those Preference Shares which it has been notified in writing are held by HFP or any of its subsidiaries Class II Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares, as applicable. Such Preference Shares shall be designated by the Share Registrar as Class II Preference Shares. HFP and its subsidiaries will agree not to transfer any of the Class II Preference Shares that they hold to any Person (including pursuant to the Amendment Buy-Out Option and a Maturity Extension as set out in paragraphs (a) and (b) above) other than Investors Corp. The Share Registrar will redesignate (i) Class II Preference Shares as Class I Preference Shares upon any transfer of such Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to Investors Corp. and (ii) Class I Preference Shares as Class II Preference Shares upon any transfer of Class I Preference Shares by Investors Corp. to HFP or any of its subsidiaries.

(d) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in the event that any Holder of Class II Preference Shares wishes to transfer all of a portion of its Class II Preference Shares (the “**Class II Seller**”) to Investor Corp. (the “**Class II Buyer**”) such transfer shall only be effected by the Issuer redeeming such Class II Preference Shares and correspondingly issuing new Class I Preference Shares to Investor Corp. and Investor Corp. issuing new Holding Preference Shares in accordance with this Section and the applicable provisions of the Articles of Association of each of the Issuer and Investors Corp.. At least 10 days prior to any transfer by a Class II Seller to a Class II Buyer, such Class II Seller and Class II Buyer shall jointly notify the Issuer, the Preference Share Paying Agent, Servicer and Investor Corp. of their intention to effect such transfer of Class II Preference Shares, in the form of Exhibit C (attached hereto) indicating the number of Class II Preference Shares to be sold and the corresponding number of Class I Preference Shares to be issued and transferred to Investors Corp. and the number of Holding

Preference Shares to be issued and acquired by the Class II Buyer, the price for such purchase and sale and the date on which such purchase and sale is expected to occur (such notice, the “**Sale Notice**”). The Issuer shall, on the date indicated in the Sale Notice subject to such redemption being approved in writing by the Board of Directors of the Issuer, redeem the indicated number of Class II Preference Shares to be sold by the Class II Seller and issue an equal number of Class I Preference Shares registered in the name of Investor Corp..

(e) Simultaneously with such redemption and new issuance by the Issuer, Investors Corp., pursuant to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and its Articles of Association, shall issue new Holding Preference Shares to the Class II Buyer equal in number to the number of Class II Preference Shares being sold by the Class II Seller as indicated in the Sale Notice. The Class II Buyer shall pay Investors Corp. for its subscription to such newly issued Holding Preference Shares in an amount indicated in the Sale Notice and Investors Corp. shall immediately apply such amount to pay the subscription price to the Issuer for the newly issued Class I Preference Shares, and the Issuer shall immediately apply such amount to pay the redemption price to the Class II Seller for the redemption of such Class II Seller’s Class II Preference Shares.

Section 8. Execution, Delivery and Dating. The certificates (if required by the Resolutions) relating to the Preference Shares shall be executed on behalf of the Issuer as provided for in the Memorandum and Articles of Association.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Agreement, the Issuer may deliver Preference Share certificates (the “**Preference Share Certificates**”) executed by the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, upon Issuer Order, shall deliver such Preference Share Certificates as provided in this Agreement and not otherwise.

Each Preference Share Certificate delivered by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to or upon Issuer Order on the Closing Date shall be dated the Closing Date. All other Preference Share Certificates that are delivered after the Closing Date for any other purpose under this Agreement shall be dated the date of their delivery.

Section 9. Registration and Registration of Transfer

(a) Subject to Section 7 above, when the Preference Shares Paying Agent receives a request for transfer of Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall comply with its obligations as set forth in Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions.

(b) No transfer of the Preference Shares shall be registered if such transfer will result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors (as defined below) owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of either the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such transfer (excluding for purposes of such determination any Preference Shares held by any Controlling Person (as defined below) and its affiliates (such as the Preference Shares held by the Servicer or its affiliates) that is not also a Benefit Plan Investor) determined in accordance with the Plan Asset Regulation issued by the United States Department of Labor and found at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 and Section 3(42) of ERISA (the “**Plan Asset Regulation**”). Each purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share will be required to represent and agree whether or not such purchaser is, or is using the assets of, or will at any time throughout its holding and disposition of such Preference Share be or become, (i) an “employee benefit plan” as defined in Section 3(3) of the United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“**ERISA**”), subject to Part 4 of Title I of ERISA, (ii) a “plan” to which Section 4975(c)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “**Code**”) applies or (iii) any entity whose underlying assets include “plan assets” of any of the foregoing

by reason of an investment in the entity by such a plan or arrangement. In addition, each purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share (other than the Servicer or its affiliates) will be required to represent and agree whether or not it is, or is using the assets of, or will at any time throughout its holding and disposition of such Preference Share be or become the Servicer or any other person that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer or any “affiliate” (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) of any such person (any such person, a “**Controlling Person**”). If, after a purchaser’s or transferee’s initial acquisition of Preference Shares, the purchaser or transferee determines or the Issuer, the Share Registrar or the Preference Shares Paying Agent obtain actual knowledge that such purchaser or transferee has breached any of the foregoing representations, such purchaser or transferee will dispose of its interest in the Preference Shares in a manner consistent with the requirements set forth in Annex A to the Resolutions. Each purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share will be required to represent that either (i) it is not, and is not acquiring such Preference Share with the assets of, an “employee benefit plan” as defined under Section 3(3) of ERISA and that is subject to Part 4 of Title I of ERISA, any “plan” to which Section 4975 of the Code applies or a governmental or church plan subject to any federal, state or local law that is substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (each such plan, a “**Covered Plan**”) and throughout the holding of such Preference Share, it will not become or transfer its interest to any Covered Plan or to an entity using the assets thereof, or (ii) the acquisition and holding of such Preference Share by the purchaser or transferee, throughout its holding and disposition of such Preference Share, will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental or church plan, a violation of any similar law), because such purchase, holding and disposition either (x) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (y) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all of the conditions of which are and will be satisfied upon its acquisition of, and throughout its holding and disposition of, such Preference Share. Each purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share will be required to represent and agree that it will not transfer such Preference Share in violation of any of the foregoing representations and agreements, that any purported transfer that does not comply with such representations and agreements will be null and void *ab initio* and will vest in the transferee no rights against the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Issuer, and that such purchaser or transferee, as applicable, and any fiduciary or other Person causing it to acquire such Preference Share shall, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Share Paying Agent, the Servicer, the Share Registrar, the Placement Agents and their respective affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of any transfer in violation of any of the foregoing.

(c) The Preference Shares Paying Agent agrees that, after the initial distribution of the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares, neither it nor any of its affiliates will acquire any Class D Notes or Preference Shares (including pursuant to a Maturity Extension or the Amendment Buy-Out Option) unless such acquisition would not, as determined by the Trustee pursuant to the applicable terms of the Indenture, result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of any of the Class D Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such acquisition (determined in accordance with the Plan Asset Regulation, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents). The Class D Notes and the Preference Shares held by the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any of its affiliates (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% limitation to the extent that such person has represented that it is not a Benefit Plan Investor.

(d) Notwithstanding anything else contained herein to the contrary, neither the Preference Shares Paying Agent nor the Share Registrar shall be responsible for ascertaining whether any purchase or transfer complies with the registration provisions of or exemptions from the Securities Act,

applicable state laws, the Code, ERISA, the Plan Asset Regulation or the Investment Company Act; provided that if a certificate or other written representation is specifically required by the express terms of this Agreement or Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions to be delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by the purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine whether the same substantially conforms on its face with the terms of this Agreement or Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions, as applicable, and shall promptly notify the party delivering the same if such certificate does not comply with such terms.

(e) The Issuer shall (and shall cause the Share Registrar to) consult the Preference Shares Paying Agent in connection with all transfers of Preference Shares and shall (and shall cause the Share Registrar to) direct all transferors and transferees to correspond through the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Share Registrar will not be required to determine whether any proposed transfer, redemption or other transaction in relation to the Preference Shares complies with any restrictions imposed by law or under the terms of the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents but shall be entitled to rely completely in that respect on the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

(f) In the event that the Preference Shares Paying Agent is notified by the Issuer (or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer) that any Holder of Preference Shares has failed to provide the Issuer with the applicable United States federal income tax certifications, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall notify the Share Registrar and request that it not record such transfer. Except as expressly provided herein or as required by this Agreement in connection with the Preference Shares Paying Agent's obligations to the Holders of Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no obligation to oversee or participate in any such transfer of Preference Shares.

Section 10. Fees and Indemnification. The fee to be paid in connection with the Preference Shares Paying Agent's appointment and duties as Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be paid pursuant to a letter agreement dated November, 2006 between the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Servicer on behalf of Investors Corp. and the Issuer. The fees payable hereunder shall be paid by the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent's account as directed by the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Issuer will indemnify the Preference Shares Paying Agent and its officers, directors, employees and agents, against any loss, liability or expense (including reasonable legal fees and out-of-pocket expenses of counsel) incurred in connection with their appointment and duties hereunder, except such as result from their own gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Preference Shares Paying Agent agrees that such fees and indemnification shall be treated as an Administrative Expense of the Issuer as defined in the Indenture and paid pursuant to the Priority of Payments. Anything in this Agreement notwithstanding, in no event shall the Preference Shares Paying Agent be liable for special, indirect or consequential losses or damages of any kind whatsoever (including but not limited to loss of profits), even if the Preference Shares Paying Agent has been advised of such loss or damage and regardless of the form of action. The obligation of the Issuer to indemnify the Preference Shares Paying Agent under this Section 10 shall survive retirement of the Preference Shares and any resignation or removal of the Preference Shares Paying Agent but shall remain subject to the provisions of Section 23 hereof.

#### Section 11. Liabilities

(a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be responsible or accountable to anyone for any reason whatsoever with respect to the validity of this Agreement or of the Preference Shares, or for any act done or omitted by it in good faith, or for anything whatsoever in connection with this Agreement, except for its own gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct in the performance of any duty to be performed by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder.

(b) The Preference Shares Paying Agent may consult as to legal matters with lawyers selected with due care by it, who may be employees of or regular independent counsel to the Issuer, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be protected from and shall incur no liability for action taken, or suffered to be taken, with respect to such matters in good faith and in accordance with the opinion or advice of such lawyers.

(c) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be protected from and shall incur no liability for or in respect of any action taken or thing suffered by it in reliance upon any Preference Shares, notice, direction, consent, certificate, affidavit, statement or other paper or document reasonably believed by it to be genuine and to have been delivered or signed by the proper parties, except as may result from its own gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct or that of its directors, officers, employees or agents.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be under any liability for interest on any money at any time received by it pursuant to any of the provisions of this Agreement, except as otherwise agreed in writing with the Issuer.

(e) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not incur any liability with respect to the validity or value of any of the Preference Shares unless otherwise specified herein.

## Section 12. Conflicts

(a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent and its officers, directors and employees may, subject to the restrictions set forth in Section 9(c) hereof, become the Holder of, or acquire any interest in, any Preference Shares, with the same rights that it or they would have if it were not the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder, or they were not such officers, directors, or employees, and may engage or be interested in any fiscal or other transaction with the Issuer and may act on, or as depository, trustee or agent for, any committee or body of Holders of Preference Shares or other indebtedness of the Issuer as freely as if it were not the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder or they were not such officers, directors, or employees.

(b) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be obliged to perform such duties and only such duties as are specifically set forth herein, and no implied duties or obligations shall be read into this Agreement or the Indenture against the Preference Shares Paying Agent. Except as otherwise expressly provided in Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions (to the extent they do not contradict this Agreement), the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no duties under Annex A to the Resolutions. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be under any obligation to take any action hereunder that may tend to involve it in any expenses or liability, the payment of which within a reasonable time is not, in its reasonable opinion, assured to it. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be accountable or under any duty or responsibility in case of any default of which the Preference Shares Paying Agent has knowledge by the Issuer in the performance of its obligations contained in the Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association and Annex A to the Resolutions (including, without limitation, any duty or responsibility to initiate or attempt to initiate any proceedings at law or otherwise or to make any demand for payment upon the Issuer).

(c) In acting under this Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agent is acting solely as agent of the Issuer and does not assume any obligations to, or relationship of agency or trust for or with any of the owners or Holders of the Preference Shares. All funds held by the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment on the Preference Shares shall be held in trust for the Issuer, until paid.



(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, as between itself and the Holders of the Preference Shares, with respect to all the obligations, powers, authorities and discretions, vested in it hereunder Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association and the Resolutions, have absolute and uncontrolled discretion as to the exercise thereof whether in relation to the manner or as to the mode of and time for the exercise thereof and, in the absence of gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct on its part or that of its officers, directors or employees shall be in no way responsible for any loss, costs, damages or inconvenience that may result from the exercise or non-exercise thereof.

Section 13. Amendment

(a) This Agreement may be amended by the parties hereto, without the consent of the Holders of any Preference Shares, for the purpose of curing any ambiguity, or of curing, correcting or supplementing any defective provision contained herein, or in regard to matters or questions arising under this Agreement as the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem necessary or desirable and which shall not materially adversely affect the interests of Holders of the Preference Shares. In addition, this Agreement may be amended without the consent of any Holders of the Preference Shares and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Preference Shares in order to prevent the Issuer from becoming an “investment company” as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); provided that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer shall have received a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such supplemental indenture, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

(b) Unless otherwise as set forth in subsection (a) above, this Agreement may be amended with the consent of Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares materially and adversely affected thereby.

(c) Any amendment to this Agreement must be in writing executed by each party hereto.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to its duties and obligations herein) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an opinion of counsel, consent or certificate of the Issuer in determining whether or not any proposed amendment is permitted hereunder.

(e) Any amendment to this Agreement that would necessitate a change to the Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association may only be made after a Special Resolution (as therein defined) has been passed to permit the Memorandum and Articles of Association to be altered to conform with such proposed amendment.

(f) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, at the Issuer’s expense, provide prompt notice to S&P of any amendment to this Agreement at the address for notice set out in Section 14.3 of the Indenture.

Section 14. Resignation or Removal of the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Preference Shares Paying Agent may at any time resign as the Preference Shares Paying Agent, by giving written notice to the Issuer of its resignation, specifying the date on which its resignation shall become effective

(which date shall not be less than 60 days after the date on which such notice is given unless the Issuer shall agree to a shorter period). The Issuer may remove the Preference Shares Paying Agent at any time by giving written notice of not less than 60 days to the Preference Shares Paying Agent specifying the date on which such removal shall become effective. Such resignation or removal shall only take effect upon the appointment by the Issuer of a successor Preference Shares Paying Agent and upon the acceptance of such appointment by such successor Preference Shares Paying Agent; provided, however, that if the successor Preference Shares Paying Agent has not been appointed within 60 days after such notice of resignation or removal, then the Preference Shares Paying Agent, or any Holder of Preference Shares, may, on behalf of himself and others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Preference Shares Paying Agent; provided, further, that after the retirement of the Notes, if the Issuer determines that no material distributions will be paid on the Preference Shares, the Issuer may remove the Preference Shares Paying Agent at any time, by giving written notice of not less than 10 days, and assume the duties of the Preference Shares Paying Agent itself. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, at the Issuer's expense, provide prior notice to S&P of its resignation or removal under this Agreement at the address for notice set out in Section 14.3 of the Indenture.

Section 15. Assignment. No party hereto may assign or novate any of its rights or obligations hereunder except with the prior written consent of all the parties hereto.

Section 16. Merger, Conversion, Consolidation or Succession to Business of Preference Shares Paying Agent. Any entity into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any entity resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Preference Shares Paying Agent is a party, or any entity succeeding to all or substantially all of the corporate trust business of the Preference Shares Paying Agent, shall be the successor of the Preference Shares Paying Agent under this Agreement without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto.

Section 17. Reports and Notices. The Issuer hereby authorizes the Preference Shares Paying Agent to deliver or request the Trustee to deliver all Monthly Reports and Valuation Reports (each a "**Report**" and, collectively, "**Reports**") prepared pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver, or shall cause the Trustee to deliver a copy of any such Report to such Holders within two Business Days of receipt of any such Report. In addition, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver, or shall cause the Trustee to deliver, a copy of any other notice or information that it has received from the Trustee under the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares within two Business Days of receipt of such notice and information. Any notices or information to be delivered by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to this Agreement shall be delivered, in each case, (i) by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to each Holder of a Preference Share at the address appearing in the Preference Share register or (ii) with respect to delivery of the Reports, by making such Reports available via its internet website, initially located at [www.cdocalc.com/ibt/cdo](http://www.cdocalc.com/ibt/cdo). All information made available on the Preference Shares Paying Agent's website shall be restricted and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall only provide access to such reports to those parties entitled thereto pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. In connection with providing access to its website, the Preference Shares Paying Agent may require registration and the acceptance of a disclaimer. Questions regarding the Preference Shares Paying Agent's website may be directed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent's customer service desk at (617) 937-5585.

Section 18. Notices

(a) All communications by or on behalf of the Issuer relating to the transfer or payment of a Preference Share or any interest therein shall be directed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent at its address set forth in clause (b)(ii) below. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall mail any notice it receives from the Trustee (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) to the Holders of the Preference Shares on the Business Day it receives such notice.

Where this Agreement provides for notice to Holders of the Preference Shares of any event, such notice shall be sufficiently given (unless otherwise herein expressly provided) if such notice is in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, to each Holder of the Preference Shares affected by such event, at such Holder's address as it appears on the Preference Share register, not later than the latest date, and not earlier than the earliest date, prescribed for the giving of such notice.

Neither the failure to mail such notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Holder of Preference Shares shall affect the sufficiency of such notice with respect to other Holders. Any notice that is given in the manner herein provided shall conclusively be presumed to have been duly given whether or not actually received by such Holder. Any notice to Holders of the Preference Shares provided for in this Agreement will be deemed to have been given on the date of mailing.

Any notice by any Holder of Holding Preference Shares delivered to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be treated by the Preference Shares Paying Agent, for the purposes of this Agreement, as a notice, by a Holder of Preference Shares with respect to a number of Preference Shares equal to the number of Holding Preference Shares with respect to which such notice relates, delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent on the same date such notice is delivered to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent.

Where this Agreement provides for notice in any manner, such notice may be waived in writing by any Person entitled to receive such notice, either before or after the event, and such waiver shall be the equivalent of such notice.

In the event that, by reason of the suspension of the regular mail service as a result of a strike, work stoppage or similar activity, it shall be impractical to mail notice of any event to Holders of the Preference Shares when such notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this Agreement, then any manner of giving such notice as shall be satisfactory to the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be deemed to be a sufficient giving of such notice.

(b) Notices and other communications hereunder shall (except to the extent otherwise expressly provided) be in writing and shall be addressed as follows, or to such other addresses as the parties hereto shall specify from time to time:

(i) if to the Issuer:

Brentwood CLO Ltd.  
PO Box 1093GT, Queensgate House  
South Church Street  
George Town, Grand Cayman  
Cayman Islands  
Fax: (345) 945-7100  
Attention: The Directors

(ii) if to the Preference Shares Paying Agent:

Investors Bank & Trust Company  
200 Clarendon Street  
Mail Code EUC 108  
Boston, Massachusetts 02116  
Fax: (617) 351-4358  
Attention: CDO Services Group (Brentwood CLO, Ltd)

Section 19. Covenants of the Issuer. The Issuer shall not take any action under this Agreement or the Indenture that requires the authorization, direction or consent from the Holders of the Preference Shares without obtaining such authorization, direction or consent from the Holders of the Preference Shares. It shall be the responsibility of the Issuer to satisfy the Preference Shares Paying Agent as to the compliance with the foregoing condition (on which the Preference Shares Paying Agent may rely on in good faith).

Section 20. Transfer of Issuer Ordinary Shares. For so long as any of the Preference Shares are Outstanding, the Issuer shall not agree to the transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares to U.S. Persons (as defined in the Code), and shall not transfer any such Issuer Ordinary Shares to any Person other than a Person which is a resident of the Cayman Islands.

Section 21. Certain Tax Matters

(a) On demand of the Issuer, a Holder or beneficial owner of a Preference Share will notify the Issuer whether or not the Holder or beneficial owner of such Preference Share is a United States person within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code and the name and status of such Holder or beneficial owner as an individual, partnership, corporation, or other entity and such other information as the Issuer shall reasonably request for purposes of tax reporting of the Issuer or other Holders of the Preference Shares.

(b) The Issuer will cause the Independent accountants to make a determination as to whether a Holder's investment in the Preference Shares has become a "reportable transaction" as described in Treasury Regulation Section 1.6011-4 because, after the Closing Date, the Issuer entered into a transaction whereby the Issuer recognized a significant loss or otherwise. If the Holder's investment in the Preference Shares has become such a "reportable transaction," then the Issuer shall provide to Holders of Preference Shares any information available to it which may be reasonably necessary for such Holders of Preference Shares to comply with any disclosure requirements under Section 6011 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder with respect to its investment in the Preference Shares.

(c) The Issuer will provide or cause to be provided to each Holder or beneficial owner of the Preference Shares (or its designee), upon written request therefor, any information that such Holder or beneficial owner reasonably requests to assist such Holder or beneficial owner with regard to its or its equity owners' U.S. federal income tax filing requirements.

(d) Each Holder and beneficial owner of the Preference Shares agrees to treat the Preference Shares as equity of the Issuer and the Notes as debt of the Issuer for U.S. federal, state and local income tax purposes, if applicable.

(e) The Issuer will make an election to be treated as a partnership, and will take all necessary actions to maintain its status as a partnership (or, if the Issuer is treated as owned by one person, as a disregarded entity of such person) for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

(f) The Issuer shall not participate in listing or including the Class D Notes or Preference Shares on or in any Established Securities Markets, and shall not participate in establishing any Established Securities Market for its Class D Notes or Preference Shares. In addition, the Issuer shall not recognize any transfers made on any Established Securities Markets with respect to its Class D Notes or Preference Shares (including any transfers of any financial instrument (other than the Senior Notes) or contract the value of which is determined in whole or in part by reference to the Issuer).

(g) Transfers of Preference Shares may only be made upon receipt by the Preference Shares Paying Agent of (1) appropriate documentation required under the Code and the applicable Treasury regulations establishing that the beneficial owner of the Preference Shares to be transferred is either not a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-8BEN or an IRS Form W-8IMY with appropriate attachments) or a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-9) and (2) if such beneficial owner of Preference Shares to be transferred is treated as a partnership, S-corporation or grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a written representation from such beneficial owner that (i) there will not be any interests in such beneficial owner where substantially all of the value of such interest is attributable to the value of the Preference Shares proposed to be transferred to such beneficial owner, together with the value of any Class D Notes, Holding Preference Shares and Preference Shares already held by such beneficial owner and (ii) such beneficial owner is not a part of any arrangement a principal purpose of which is to cause the Class D Notes and Preference Shares to be treated as owned by 100 persons or less within the meaning of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h). In addition, neither the Preference Shares Paying Agent nor the Issuer shall recognize any transfers of Preference Shares, and any such proposed transfer shall be null and void, if (a) the proposed transfer will cause the Issuer to have more than ninety-nine beneficial owners (as determined for purposes of the provisions of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h)) of its Class D Notes and Preference Shares unless it receives the consent of all of the Holders of the Preference Shares and an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that Holders of the Notes will not recognize gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such transfer, and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such transfer had not been made or (b) such transfer was made pursuant to a trade on an Established Securities Market. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall contact the Trustee to request, and shall be entitled to rely upon the information it receives from the Trustee to determine, the number of beneficial owners of the Class D Notes. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall provide, upon request by the Trustee, the number of beneficial owners of the Preference Shares referenced on, and in reliance upon, the transfer certificates received pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

Section 22. Minimum Lots. Preference Shares must be held in minimum lots of 100 Preference Shares per investor and integral multiples of one Preference Share in excess thereof.

Section 23. Limited Recourse; No Petition. The Preference Shares Paying Agent hereby acknowledges and agrees that the Issuer's obligations hereunder will be solely the corporate obligations of the Issuer, and that the Preference Shares Paying Agent will not have any recourse to any of the directors, officers, employees, shareholders or Affiliates of the Issuer with respect to any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations in connection with any transactions contemplated hereby. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, recourse in respect of any obligations of the Issuer hereunder will be limited to the proceeds of the Collateral, paid pursuant to the Priority of Payments and on the exhaustion thereof all obligations of and all claims against the Issuer arising from this Agreement or any transactions contemplated hereby shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, by entering into this Agreement, hereby covenants and agrees that it will not, prior to the date which is one year and one day (or, if longer, the applicable preference period) after the payment in full of all amounts owing under the Indenture this Agreement and all securities issued by the Issuer, institute against the Issuer, or voluntarily join in any institution against the Issuer of, any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency or liquidation proceedings, or

other proceedings under any United States federal or state bankruptcy or similar law of any jurisdiction within or without the United States in connection with any obligations relating to the Preference Shares or this Agreement. The provisions of this Section 23 shall survive termination of this Agreement for any reason whatsoever.

Section 24. (a) GOVERNING LAW. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

(b) WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL. EACH OF THE ISSUER AND THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY AND ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, THE PREFERENCE SHARES OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY.

(c) Service of Process. The Issuer irrevocably appoints Investors Bank & Trust Company (the “**Process Agent**”) located at 33 Maiden Lane, 4th Floor, NY, NY 10038, to receive, for it and on its behalf, service of process in any suit, action or proceeding relating to this Agreement. If for any reason the Process Agent is unable to act as such, the Issuer shall promptly notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent and within 30 days appoint a substitute process agent acceptable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent.


Section 25. Signatures. This Agreement may be signed in two or more counterparts with the same effect as if the signatures thereto and hereto were upon the same instrument. A facsimile signature shall be considered due execution and shall be binding upon the signatory thereto with the same force and effect as if the signature were an original.

**[The Remainder Of This Page Has Been Intentionally Left Blank.]**

Please indicate your acceptance of this appointment and the terms of this Agreement by signing and returning the enclosed copy of this Agreement. The Issuer by signing this Agreement confirms its agreement to the terms stated herein.


Very truly yours,

BRENTWOOD CLO, LTD.

By:   
Name: Phillipa White  
Title: Director

Accepted and agreed to as of the date first above written.

INVESTORS BANK & TRUST COMPANY

By:   
Name: Brian Peterson  
Title: Director



**SCHEDULE I**

**Notice of Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities**

Date: [\_\_\_\_\_]

[Name of Holder]

[address]

Attention: [\_\_\_\_\_]

Copy:

Brentwood CLO, Ltd.  
P.O. Box 1093GT  
Queensgate House  
South Church Street  
George Town  
Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands  
Attention: the Directors

Re: Brentwood CLO, Ltd.  
Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of Interest

Proceeds

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This letter is to inform you that Highland Capital Management, L.P., in its capacity as servicer (the “**Servicer**”) with respect to that certain servicing agreement, dated as of December 21, 2006, by and between Brentwood CLO, Ltd. (the “**Issuer**”) and the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, would like to distribute Eligible Equity Securities on the Payment Date of [\_\_\_\_], 20[\_\_\_] to the Holders of the Preference Shares in lieu of the Interest Proceeds, in whole or in part, that are otherwise due and payable to such Holders on such Payment Date. Such Eligible Equity Securities will be distributed in accordance with Sections 2(e) and 3(b) of that certain paying agency agreement, dated as of December 21, 2006 (the “**Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement**”), by and between the Issuer and Investors Bank & Trust Company, in its capacity as preference shares paying agent (the “**Preference Shares Paying Agent**”) and Section 11.1(a)(i) of that certain indenture, dated as of December 21, 2006, by and between the Issuer, Brentwood CLO Corp. and Investors Bank & Trust Company, in its capacity as trustee (the “**Trustee**”). Any capitalized terms used without definition herein are used with the meanings assigned to such terms in the Indenture.

Details with respect to the proposed distribution of such Eligible Equity Securities are attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Each Holder of the Preference Shares wishing to receive such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder (each such Holder, a “**Consenting Holder**”) must deliver the consent notice attached hereto as Exhibit B (the “**Consent Notice**”) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent not later than five Business Days prior to such Payment

Date. Each Consenting Holder must indicate in the Consent Notice the portion of Preference Shares held by such Holder for which such Holder wishes to receive a distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of Interest Proceeds. Any Consent Notice that is not delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in the manner set forth herein shall be deemed to have not been delivered.

Please contact [\_\_\_\_\_] (*insert e-mail address*) at [(\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_] with any questions.

Sincerely,

Investors Bank & Trust Company  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent

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

Name:

Title:

**EXHIBIT A**

**EXHIBIT B**

**CONSENT NOTICE**

The undersigned hereby consents to a distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of the Interest Proceeds due and payable as dividends with respect to [\_\_\_\_] of the Preference Shares held by the undersigned on the Payment Date of [\_\_\_\_], 20[\_\_\_\_].

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 20[\_\_\_\_]

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Holder

By:\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Authorized Signatory

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Authorized Signatory

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Title of Authorized Signatory

**EXHIBIT C****FORM OF SALE NOTICE****FROM:**

[Party requesting redemption of Class II Preference Shares – Name and Address Fax number – [        ]] (the " <b>Redeeming Party</b> ")	[Subscriber for Investor Corp. Preference Shares – Name and Address Fax number – [        ]] (the " <b>Subscriber</b> ")
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**TO:**

Brentwood CLO Ltd. PO Box 1093GT Queensgate House South Church Street George Town Grand Cayman Cayman Islands Attention: The Directors Fax: 1 345 945 7100	Brentwood Investors Corp. PO Box 1093GT Queensgate House South Church Street George Town Grand Cayman Cayman Islands Attention: The Directors Fax: 1 345 945 7100
Investors Bank & Trust Company 200 Clarendon Street Boston Massachusetts 02116	Highland Financial Partners L.P. Two Galleria Tower 13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300 Dallas, Texas 75240 Attention: [        ] Fax: 1 972 628 4147

**[INSERT DATE OF NOTICE]**

Dear Sirs

**SALE NOTICE RELATING TO THE REDEMPTION OF BRENTWOOD CLO LTD.  
CLASS II PREFERENCE SHARES AND SUBSCRIPTION FOR BRENTWOOD INVESTORS  
CORP. PREFERENCE SHARES**

As required by the Articles of Association of each of Brentwood CLO Ltd. and Brentwood Investors Corp. and the applicable Paying Agency Agreements relating to the Preference Shares of each of Brentwood CLO Ltd. and Brentwood Investors Corp., we hereby give you notice of the following:

**EXHIBIT C**

**1. REQUEST FOR REDEMPTION OF BRENTWOOD CLO LTD. CLASS II PREFERENCE SHARES**

- (a) Redemption Date: [Insert date – to be 10 or more days from the date of this notice]
- (b) Number of Class II Preference Shares to be redeemed (if approved): [Insert number]
- (c) Redemption Price: [Insert total redemption price requested]

The Redeeming party hereby requests that Brentwood CLO Ltd. approves the proposed redemption as set forth in 1 above.

**2. REQUEST FOR SUBSCRIPTION FOR BRENTWOOD INVESTORS CORP. PREFERENCE SHARES**

- (a) Subscription Date: [Insert date – must be same as in 1(a) above]
- (b) Number of Preference Shares to be subscribed for (if approved): [Insert number - must be same as in 1(b) above ]
- (c) Subscription Price: [Insert subscription price requested – must be same as in 1(c) above]

The Subscriber hereby requests that Brentwood Investors Corp. approves the proposed redemption as set forth in 1 above.

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[Approved][Not approved]  
**For and on behalf of  
Brentwood CLO Ltd.**

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[Approved][Not approved]  
**For and on behalf of  
Brentwood Investors Corp.**

**FORM TO BE FAXED BACK BY BRENTWOOD CLO LTD. AND BRENTWOOD INVESTORS CORP. TO ALL PARTIES ON THE NOTICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**

**IF APPROVED BY BRENTWOOD CLO LTD. AND BRENTWOOD INVESTORS CORP., THIS SIGNED NOTICE WILL CONSTITUTE DEEMED NOTICE TO BRENTWOOD CLO LTD. FROM BRENTWOOD INVESTORS CORP. (WITHIN THE**

**EXHIBIT C**

**REQUIRED TIME LIMIT) OF A REQUEST FOR REDEMPTION OF AN EQUIVALENT NUMBER OF CLASS I PREFERENCE SHARES OF BRENTWOOD CLO LTD. ON THE SAME TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS THE REDEMPTION OF THE BRENTWOOD INVESTORS CORP. PREFERENCE SHARES**

## **EXHIBIT N**



### SERVICING AGREEMENT

This Servicing Agreement, dated as of December 21, 2006 is entered into by and among BRENTWOOD CLO, LTD., an exempted company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands, with its registered office located at the offices of Maples Finance Limited, P.O. Box 1093GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands (together with successors and assigns permitted hereunder, the "Issuer"), and HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, with its principal offices located at Two Galleria Tower, 13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300, Dallas, Texas 75240, as servicer ("Highland" or, in such capacity, the "Servicer").

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Issuer and BRENTWOOD CLO, CORP. (the "Co-Issuer" and together with the Issuer, the "Co-Issuers") intend to issue U.S.\$388,700,000 of their Class A-1A Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2022 (the "Class A-1A Notes"), U.S.\$75,000,000 of their Class A-1B Delayed Drawdown Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2022 (the "Class A-1B Notes" and, together with the Class A-1A Notes, the "Class A-1 Notes"), U.S.\$51,500,000 of their Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2022 (the "Class A-2 Notes" and, together with the Class A-1 Notes, the "Class A Notes"), U.S.\$68,000,000 of their Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due 2022 (the "Class B Notes"), U.S.\$23,800,000 of their Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due 2022 (the "Class C Notes" and, together with the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes, the "Senior Notes") and the Issuer will issue U.S.\$21,000,000 of the Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due 2022 (the "Class D Notes" and, together with the Senior Notes, the "Notes") pursuant to the Indenture dated as of December 21, 2006 (the "Indenture"), among the Co-Issuers and Investors Bank & Trust Company, as trustee (the "Trustee") and 34,400 Class I Preference Shares, \$0.01 par value (the "Class I Preference Shares") and 37,000 Class II Preference Shares, \$0.01 par value (the "Class II Preference Shares" and, together with the Class I Preference Shares, the "Preference Shares" and, together with the Notes, the "Securities") pursuant to the Preference Share Documents;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Indenture, the Issuer intends to pledge certain Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments and Cash (all as defined in the Indenture) and certain other assets (all as set forth in the Indenture) (collectively, the "Collateral") to the Trustee as security for the Notes;

WHEREAS, the Issuer wishes to enter into this Servicing Agreement, pursuant to which the Servicer agrees to perform, on behalf of the Issuer, certain duties with respect to the Collateral in the manner and on the terms set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the Servicer has the capacity to provide the services required hereby and is prepared to perform such services upon the terms and conditions set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements herein set forth, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Definitions.

Terms used herein and not defined below shall have the meanings set forth in the Indenture.

“Advisers Act” shall mean the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended.

“Agreement” shall mean this Servicing Agreement, as amended from time to time.

“Governing Instruments” shall mean the memorandum, articles or certificate of incorporation or association and by-laws, if applicable, in the case of a corporation; the certificate of formation, if applicable, or the partnership agreement, in the case of a partnership; or the certificate of formation, if applicable, or the limited liability company agreement, in the case of a limited liability company.

“HFP” shall mean collectively, Highland Financial Partners, L.P. and any subsidiary thereof.

“Independent Advisor” shall have the meaning specified in Section IV.B. of Annex 1 hereto.

“Offering Memorandum” shall mean the Offering Memorandum of the Issuer dated December 21, 2006 prepared in connection with the offering of the Securities.

“Servicer Breaches” shall have the meaning specified in Section 10(a).

“Special Procedures Obligation” shall have the meaning specified in Section IV.A. of Annex 1 hereto.

2. General Duties of the Servicer.

(a) The Servicer shall provide services to the Issuer as follows:

(i) Subject to and in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents, the Servicer shall supervise and direct the administration, acquisition and disposition of the Collateral, and shall perform on behalf of the Issuer those duties and obligations of the Servicer required by the Indenture and the other Transaction Documents, and including the furnishing of Orders, Requests and officer's certificates, and such certifications as are required of the Servicer under the Indenture with respect to permitted purchases and sales of the Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments and other assets, and other matters, and, to the extent necessary or appropriate to perform such duties, the Servicer shall have the power to execute and deliver all necessary and appropriate documents and instruments on behalf of the Issuer with respect thereto. The Servicer shall, subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents, perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder with reasonable care, using a degree of skill and attention no less than that which the Servicer exercises with respect to comparable assets that it services or manages for others having similar objectives and restrictions, and in a manner consistent with

practices and procedures followed by institutional servicers or managers of national standing relating to assets of the nature and character of the Collateral for clients having similar objectives and restrictions, except as expressly provided otherwise in this Agreement and/or the other Transaction Documents. To the extent not inconsistent with the foregoing, the Servicer shall follow its customary standards, policies and procedures in performing its duties under the Indenture and hereunder. The Servicer shall comply with all terms and conditions of the other Transaction Documents affecting the duties and functions to be performed hereunder. The Servicer shall not be bound to follow any amendment to any Transaction Document until it has received written notice thereof and until it has received a copy of the amendment from the Issuer or the Trustee; provided, however, that the Servicer shall not be bound by any amendment to any Transaction Document that affects the rights, powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer unless the Servicer shall have consented thereto in writing. The Issuer agrees that it shall not permit any amendment to the Indenture that (x) affects the rights, powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer or (y) affects the amount or priority of any fees payable to the Servicer to become effective unless the Servicer has been given prior written notice of such amendment and consented thereto in writing;

(ii) the Servicer shall select any Collateral which shall be acquired by the Issuer pursuant to the Indenture in accordance with the Collateral criteria set forth herein and in the Indenture;

(iii) the Servicer shall monitor the Collateral on an ongoing basis and provide to the Issuer all reports, certificates, schedules and other data with respect to the Collateral which the Issuer is required to prepare and deliver under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement, in the form and containing all information required thereby and in reasonable time for the Issuer to review such required reports, certificates, schedules and data and to deliver them to the parties entitled thereto under the Indenture; the Servicer shall undertake to determine to the extent reasonably practicable whether a Collateral Interest has become an Defaulted Collateral Obligation; and the Servicer shall monitor any Hedge Agreements and direct the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer in respect of all actions to be taken thereunder by the Issuer;

(iv) the Servicer, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture may, at any time permitted under the Indenture, and shall, when required by the Indenture, direct the Trustee (x) to dispose of a Collateral Obligation, Equity Security or Eligible Investment or other securities received in respect thereof in the open market or otherwise, (y) to acquire, as security for the Notes in substitution for or in addition to any one or more Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments included in the Collateral, one or more substitute Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments, or (z) direct the Trustee to take the following actions with respect to a Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investment:

- (1) retain such Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investment; or
- (2) dispose of such Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investment in the open market or otherwise; or
- (3) if applicable, tender such Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investment pursuant to an Offer; or



(4) if applicable, consent to any proposed amendment, modification or waiver pursuant to an Offer; or

(5) retain or dispose of any securities or other property (if other than cash) received pursuant to an Offer; or

(6) waive any default with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligations; or

(7) vote to accelerate the maturity of any Defaulted Collateral Obligations; or

(8) exercise any other rights or remedies with respect to such Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investment as provided in the related Underlying Instruments, including in connection with any workout situations, or take any other action consistent with the terms of the Indenture which is in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities;

(v) subject to and in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and the Transaction Documents, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall determine whether to enter into any additional hedging arrangements, increase or reduce the notional amounts of existing Hedge Agreements or terminate existing Hedge Agreements, and the Servicer shall use its reasonable efforts to cause the Issuer, promptly following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) and to the extent possible through application of funds received as a result of the early termination (including the proceeds of the liquidation of any collateral pledged by the hedge counterparty), to enter into a replacement Hedge Agreement

(vi) the Servicer shall (a) on or prior to any day which is a Redemption Date, direct the Trustee to enter into contracts to dispose of the Collateral Obligation and any other Collateral pursuant to the Indenture and otherwise comply with all redemption procedures and certification requirements in the Indenture in order to allow the Trustee to effect such redemption and (b) conduct Auctions in accordance with the terms of the Indenture; and

(vii) if the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, desires to make distributions of Eligible Equity Securities on any Payment Date pursuant to Section 2(e) of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Servicer shall so notify the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent and provide the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of the Preference Shares with respect to the applicable Record Date) details of such Eligible Equity Securities in accordance with the procedure set forth in Section 3(b) of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

(b) In performing its duties hereunder, the Servicer shall seek to preserve the value of the Collateral for the benefit of the Holders of the Securities taking into account the collateral criteria and limitations set forth herein and in the Indenture and the Servicer shall use reasonable efforts to select and service the Collateral in such a way that will permit a timely performance of all payment obligations by the Issuer under the Indenture; provided, that the Servicer shall not be responsible if such objectives are not achieved so long as the Servicer performs its duties under this Agreement in the manner provided for herein, and provided, further, that there shall be no recourse to the Servicer with respect to

the Notes or the Preference Shares. The Servicer and the Issuer shall take such other action, and furnish such certificates, opinions and other documents, as may be reasonably requested by the other party hereto in order to effectuate the purposes of this Agreement and to facilitate compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the terms of this Agreement.

(c) The Servicer hereby agrees to the following:

(i) The Servicer agrees not to institute against, or join any other Person in instituting against, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation proceedings or other proceedings under federal or state bankruptcy or similar laws of any jurisdiction until at least one year and one day (or if longer, any applicable preference period plus one day) after the payment in full of all Notes issued under the Indenture; provided, however, that nothing in this clause (i) shall preclude, or be deemed to estop, the Servicer (A) from taking any action prior to the expiration of such period in (x) any case or proceeding voluntarily filed or commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, or (y) any involuntary insolvency proceeding filed or commenced against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, by a Person other than the Servicer, or (B) from commencing against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any properties of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any legal action which is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium, liquidation or similar proceeding. The provisions of this Section 2(c)(i) shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

(ii) The Servicer shall cause each sale or purchase of any Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investment to be conducted on an arm's-length basis.

(d) The Servicer shall not act for the Issuer in any capacity except as provided in this Section 2. In providing services hereunder, the Servicer may employ third parties, including its Affiliates, to render advice (including advice with respect to the servicing of the Collateral) and assistance; provided, however, that the Servicer shall not be relieved of any of its duties or liabilities hereunder regardless of the performance of any services by third parties. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Servicer shall not be required to take any action required of it pursuant to this Agreement or the Indenture if such action would constitute a violation of any law.

(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement or the Indenture, (i) any granted signatory powers or authority granted to the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer with respect to the Special Procedures Obligations shall be conditioned upon the prior written approval of the Independent Advisor and (ii) neither the Servicer nor any Affiliate of the Servicer shall have any authority to enter into agreements, or take any action, on behalf of the Issuer with respect to the Special Procedures Obligations without the prior written approval of the Independent Advisor.



### 3. Brokerage.

The Servicer shall seek to obtain the best prices and execution for all orders placed with respect to the Collateral, considering all reasonable circumstances. Subject to the objective of obtaining best prices and execution, the Servicer may take into consideration research and other brokerage services furnished to the Servicer or its Affiliates by brokers and dealers which are not Affiliates of the Servicer. Such services may be used by the Servicer or its Affiliates in connection with its other servicing or advisory activities or operations. The Servicer may aggregate sales and purchase orders of securities placed with respect to the Collateral with similar orders being made simultaneously for other accounts serviced or managed by Servicer or with accounts of the Affiliates of the Servicer, if in the Servicer's reasonable judgment such aggregation shall result in an overall economic benefit to the Issuer, taking into consideration the advantageous selling or purchase price, brokerage commission and other expenses. In the event that a sale or purchase of a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment (in accordance with the terms of the Indenture) occurs as part of any aggregate sales or purchase orders, the objective of the Servicer (and any of its Affiliates involved in such transactions) shall be to allocate the executions among the accounts in an equitable manner and consistent with its obligations hereunder and under applicable law.

In addition to the foregoing and subject to the provisions of Section 2 and the limitations of Section 5, the objective of obtaining best prices and execution and to the extent permitted by applicable law, the Servicer may, on behalf of the Issuer, direct the Trustee to acquire any and all of the Eligible Investments or other Collateral from, or sell Collateral Obligations or other Collateral to, the Placement Agent, the Trustee or any of their respective Affiliates, or any other firm.

### 4. Additional Activities of the Servicer.

Nothing herein shall prevent the Servicer or any of its Affiliates from engaging in other businesses, or from rendering services of any kind to the Trustee, the Holders of the Securities, or any other Person or entity to the extent permitted by applicable law. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, the Servicer and partners, directors, officers, employees and agents of the Servicer or its Affiliates may, among other things, and subject to any limits specified in the Indenture:

(a) serve as directors (whether supervisory or managing), officers, partners, employees, agents, nominees or signatories for any issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates, to the extent permitted by their Governing Instruments, as from time to time amended, or by any resolutions duly adopted by the Issuer, its Affiliates or any issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates, pursuant to their respective Governing Instruments; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on the enforceability of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Overcollateralization Ratio and the Interest Coverage Test; provided, further, that nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to limit the duties of the Servicer set forth in Section 2 hereof;

(b) receive fees for services of any nature rendered to the issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on the enforceability of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Overcollateralization Ratio and the Interest Coverage Test; and provided, further that if any portion of such services are related to the purchase by the Issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral, the portion of such fees relating to such obligations shall be applied to the purchase price of such obligations; and

(c) be a secured or unsecured creditor of, or hold an equity interest in, the Issuer, its Affiliates or any issuer of any obligation included in the Collateral; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on the enforceability of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Overcollateralization Ratio and the Interest Coverage Test; provided, further, that nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to limit the duties of the Servicer set forth in Section 2 hereof.

It is understood that the Servicer and any of its Affiliates may engage in any other business and furnish servicing, investment management and advisory services to others, including Persons which may have policies similar to those followed by the Servicer with respect to the Collateral and which may own securities of the same class, or which are the same type, as the Collateral Obligations or other securities of the issuers of Collateral Obligations. The Servicer shall be free, in its sole discretion, to make recommendations to others, or effect transactions on behalf of itself or for others, which may be the same as or different from those effected with respect to the Collateral.

Unless the Servicer determines in its reasonable judgment that such purchase or sale is appropriate, the Servicer may refrain from directing the purchase or sale hereunder of securities issued by (i) Persons of which the Servicer, its Affiliates or any of its or their officers, directors or employees are directors or officers, (ii) Persons for which the Servicer or its Affiliate act as financial adviser or underwriter or (iii) Persons about which the Servicer or any of its Affiliates have information which the Servicer deems confidential or non-public or otherwise might prohibit it from trading such securities in accordance with applicable law. The Servicer shall not be obligated to have or pursue any particular strategy or opportunity with respect to the Collateral.

#### 5. Conflicts of Interest.

(a) The Servicer shall not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Servicer such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the reasonable, good faith judgment of the Servicer, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the Advisers Act.

(b) The Servicer shall not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the reasonable, good faith judgment of the Servicer, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Advisers Act.

(c) The Servicer shall not undertake any transaction described in this Section 5 unless such transaction is exempt from the prohibited transaction rules of ERISA and the Code. In addition, after the initial distribution of the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares, neither the Servicer nor any of its affiliates (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) shall acquire any Class D Notes or Preference Shares (including pursuant to the Extension Procedure or the Amendment Buy-Out Option) unless such acquisition would not, as determined by the Trustee in reliance on representations made in the applicable transfer certificates with respect thereto, result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of any of the Class D



Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such acquisition (determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA, the Plan Asset Regulation, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents). The Class D Notes and the Preference Shares held as principal by the Servicer or any of its affiliates shall be disregarded and shall not be treated as outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% limitation to the extent that such person has represented that it is not a Benefit Plan Investor.

6. Records; Confidentiality.

The Servicer shall maintain appropriate books of account and records relating to services performed hereunder, and such books of account and records shall be accessible for inspection by a representative of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Holders of the Securities and the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to the Indenture at a mutually agreed time during normal business hours and upon not less than three Business Days' prior notice. At no time shall the Servicer make a public announcement concerning the issuance of the Notes or the Preference Shares, the Servicer's role hereunder or any other aspect of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents. The Servicer shall keep confidential any and all information obtained in connection with the services rendered hereunder and shall not disclose any such information to non-affiliated third parties except (i) with the prior written consent of the Issuer, (ii) such information as either Rating Agency shall reasonably request in connection with the rating of any class of Securities, (iii) as required by law, regulation, court order or the rules or regulations of any self regulating organization, body or official having jurisdiction over the Servicer, (iv) to its professional advisers, (v) such information as shall have been publicly disclosed other than in violation of this Agreement, or (vi) such information that was or is obtained by the Servicer on a non-confidential basis, provided, that the Servicer does not know or have reason to know of any breach by such source of any confidentiality obligations with respect thereto. For purposes of this Section 6, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator and the Holders of the Securities shall in no event be considered "non-affiliated third parties."

Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement or the Indenture to the contrary, the Servicer, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Holders of the Securities (and the beneficial owners thereof) (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) may disclose to any and all Persons, without limitation of any kind, the U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to them relating to such U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure, as such terms are defined under U.S. federal, state or local tax law.

7. Obligations of Servicer.

Unless otherwise specifically required by any provision of the Indenture or this Agreement or by applicable law, the Servicer shall use its best reasonable efforts to ensure that no action is taken by it, and shall not intentionally or with reckless disregard take any action, which would (a) materially adversely affect the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for purposes of Cayman Islands law, United States federal or state law or any other law known to the Servicer to be applicable to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, (b) not be permitted under the Issuer's or the Co-Issuer's respective governing instruments, (c) violate any law, rule or regulation of any governmental body or agency having jurisdiction over the Issuer or the Co-Issuer including, without limitation, any Cayman Islands or United States federal, state or other applicable securities law the violation of which has or could reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any of the Collateral, (d) require registration of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the pool of Collateral as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act, (e) cause the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to violate the terms of the Indenture, including, without limitation, any representations made by the Issuer or Co-Issuer therein, or any other agreement



contemplated by the Indenture or (f) not be permitted by Annex 1 hereto and would subject the Issuer to U.S. federal or state income or franchise taxation or cause the Issuer to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The Servicer covenants that it shall comply in all material respects with all laws and regulations applicable to it in connection with the performance of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, the Servicer shall not be required to take any action under this Agreement or the Indenture if such action would violate any applicable law, rule, regulation or court order.

8. Compensation.

(a) The Issuer shall pay to the Servicer, for services rendered and performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Servicing Fee, which shall be payable in such amounts and at such times as set forth in the Indenture. The provisions of the Indenture which relate to the amount and payment of the Servicing Fee shall not be amended without the written consent of the Servicer. If on any Payment Date there are insufficient funds to pay the Servicing Fee (and/or any other amounts due and payable to the Servicer) in full, the amount not so paid shall be deferred and shall be payable with accrued interest on such later Payment Date on which funds are available therefor as provided in the Indenture.

The Servicer hereby agrees to waive the Class II Preference Share Portion of the Servicing Fees deposited by the Trustee into the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account pursuant to the Indenture, which would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as Servicing Fees, on each Payment Date until February 3, 2008. After February 3, 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive the Class II Preference Share Portion of its Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Issuer as Class II Preference Share Special Payments pursuant to the Indenture. For purposes of any calculation under this Agreement and the Indenture, the Servicer shall be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

In addition, notwithstanding anything set out above, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion: (i) waive all or any portion of the Servicing Fee, any funds representing the waived Servicing Fees to be retained in the Collection Account for distribution as either Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds (as determined by the Servicer) pursuant to the Priority of Payments; or (ii) defer all or any portion of the Servicing Fee, any funds representing the deferred Servicing Fees to be retained in the Collection Account, when they will become payable in the same manner and priority as their original characterization would have required unless deferred again.

(b) The Servicer shall be responsible for the ordinary expenses incurred in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Indenture and the other Transaction Documents; provided, however, that any extraordinary expenses incurred by the Servicer in the performance of such obligations (including, but not limited to, any fees, expenses or other amounts payable to the Rating Agencies, the Collateral Administrator, the Trustee and the accountants appointed by the Issuer, the reasonable expenses incurred by the Servicer to employ outside lawyers or consultants reasonably necessary in connection with the evaluation, transfer or restructuring of any Collateral Obligations or other unusual matters arising in the performance of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture, any reasonable expenses incurred by the Servicer in obtaining advice from outside counsel with respect to its obligations under this Agreement, brokerage commissions, transfer fees, registration costs, taxes and other similar costs and transaction related expenses and fees arising out of transactions effected for the Issuer's account and the portion allocated to the Issuer of any other fees and expenses that the Servicer customarily allocates among all of the funds or portfolios that it services or manages) shall be

reimbursed by the Issuer to the extent funds are available therefor in accordance with and subject to the limitations contained in the Indenture.

(c) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 12, Section 14 or otherwise, the fees payable to the Servicer shall be prorated for any partial periods between Payment Dates during which this Agreement was in effect and shall be due and payable on the first Payment Date following the date of such termination and on any subsequent Payment Dates to the extent remaining unpaid and in accordance with, and to the extent provided in, the Indenture.

9. Benefit of the Agreement.

The Servicer agrees that its obligations hereunder shall be enforceable at the instance of the Issuer, the Trustee, on behalf of the Noteholders, or the requisite percentage of Noteholders or the Holders of the Preference Shares, as applicable, as provided in the Indenture or the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement, as applicable.

10. Limits of Servicer Responsibility; Indemnification.

(a) The Servicer assumes no responsibility under this Agreement other than to render the services called for hereunder and under the terms of the other Transaction Documents made applicable to it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement in good faith and, subject to the standard of liability described in the next sentence, shall not be responsible for any action of the Issuer or the Trustee in following or declining to follow any advice, recommendation or direction of the Servicer. The Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, and its Affiliates and their directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, shall not be liable to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person, for any losses, claims, damages, judgments, assessments, costs or other liabilities (collectively, "Liabilities") incurred by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person, that arise out of or in connection with the performance by the Servicer of its duties under this Agreement and under the terms of the other Transaction Documents made applicable to it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, except by reason of (i) acts or omissions constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, gross negligence or breach of fiduciary duty in the performance, or reckless disregard, of the obligations of the Servicer hereunder and under the terms of the other Transaction Documents made applicable to it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement or (ii) with respect to any information included in the Offering Circular in the section entitled "The Servicer" and "Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer" that contain any untrue statement of material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) collectively being the "Servicer Breaches"). For the avoidance of doubt, the Servicer shall have no duty to independently investigate any laws not otherwise known to it in connection with its obligations under this Agreement, the Indenture and the other Transaction Documents. The Servicer shall be deemed to have satisfied the requirements of the Indenture and this Agreement relating to not causing the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes (including as those requirements relate to the acquisition (including manner of acquisition), ownership, enforcement, and disposition of Collateral) to the extent the Servicer complies with the requirements set forth in Annex 1 hereto.

(b) The Issuer shall indemnify and hold harmless (the Issuer in such case, the "Indemnifying Party") the Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees (such parties collectively in such case, the "Indemnified Parties") from and against any and all Liabilities, and shall reimburse each such Indemnified Party for all reasonable fees and expenses



(including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) (collectively, the “Expenses”) as such Expenses are incurred in investigating, preparing, pursuing or defending any claim, action, proceeding or investigation with respect to any pending or threatened litigation (collectively, the “Actions”), caused by, or arising out of or in connection with, the issuance of the Securities, the transactions contemplated by the Offering Memorandum, the Indenture or this Agreement, and/or any action taken by, or any failure to act by, such Indemnified Party; provided, however, that no Indemnified Party shall be indemnified for any Liabilities or Expenses it incurs as a result of any acts or omissions by any Indemnified Party constituting Servicer Breaches. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the obligations of the Issuer under this Section 10 shall be payable solely out of the Collateral in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Indenture and shall survive termination of this Agreement.

(c) With respect to any claim made or threatened against an Indemnified Party, or compulsory process or request or other notice of any loss, claim, damage or liability served upon an Indemnified Party, for which such Indemnified Party is or may be entitled to indemnification under this Section 10, such Indemnified Party shall (or with respect to Indemnified Parties that are directors, officers, stockholders, agents or employees of the Servicer, the Servicer shall cause such Indemnified Party to):

(i) give written notice to the Indemnifying Party of such claim within ten (10) days after such Indemnified Party’s receipt of actual notice that such claim is made or threatened, which notice to the Indemnifying Party shall specify in reasonable detail the nature of the claim and the amount (or an estimate of the amount) of the claim; provided, however, that the failure of any Indemnified Party to provide such notice to the Indemnifying Party shall not relieve the Indemnifying Party of its obligations under this Section 10 unless the Indemnifying Party is materially prejudiced or otherwise forfeits rights or defenses by reason of such failure;

(ii) at the Indemnifying Party’s expense, provide the Indemnifying Party such information and cooperation with respect to such claim as the Indemnifying Party may reasonably require, including, but not limited to, making appropriate personnel available to the Indemnifying Party at such reasonable times as the Indemnifying Party may request;

(iii) at the Indemnifying Party’s expense, cooperate and take all such steps as the Indemnifying Party may reasonably request to preserve and protect any defense to such claim;

(iv) in the event suit is brought with respect to such claim, upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Indemnifying Party the right, which the Indemnifying Party may exercise in its sole discretion and at its expense, to participate in the investigation, defense and settlement of such claim;

(v) neither incur any material expense to defend against nor release or settle any such claim or make any admission with respect thereto (other than routine or incontestable admissions or factual admissions the failure to make which would expose such Indemnified Party to unindemnified liability) nor permit a default or consent to the entry of any judgment in respect thereof, in each case without the prior written consent of the Indemnifying Party; and

(vi) upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Indemnifying Party the right, in its sole discretion and at its sole expense, to assume the defense of such

claim, including, but not limited to, the right to designate counsel reasonably acceptable to the Indemnified Party and to control all negotiations, litigation, arbitration, settlements, compromises and appeals of such claim; provided, that if the Indemnifying Party assumes the defense of such claim, it shall not be liable for any fees and expenses of counsel for any Indemnified Party incurred thereafter in connection with such claim except that if such Indemnified Party reasonably determines that counsel designated by the Indemnifying Party has a conflict of interest in connection with its representation of such Indemnified Party, such Indemnifying Party shall pay the reasonable fees and disbursements of one counsel (in addition to any local counsel) separate from its own counsel for all Indemnified Parties in connection with any one action or separate but similar or related actions in the same jurisdiction arising out of the same general allegations or circumstances; provided, further, that prior to entering into any final settlement or compromise, such Indemnifying Party shall seek the consent of the Indemnified Party and use its commercially reasonable efforts in the light of the then prevailing circumstances (including, without limitation, any express or implied time constraint on any pending settlement offer) to obtain the consent of such Indemnified Party as to the terms of settlement or compromise. If an Indemnified Party does not consent to the settlement or compromise within a reasonable time under the circumstances, the Indemnifying Party shall not thereafter be obligated to indemnify the Indemnified Party for any amount in excess of such proposed settlement or compromise.

(d) In the event that any Indemnified Party waives its right to indemnification hereunder, the Indemnifying Party shall not be entitled to appoint counsel to represent such Indemnified Party nor shall the Indemnifying Party reimburse such Indemnified Party for any costs of counsel to such Indemnified Party.

(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, nothing herein shall in any way constitute a waiver or limitation of any rights which the Issuer or the Holders of the Securities may have under any U.S. federal securities laws.

#### 11. No Partnership or Joint Venture.

The Issuer and the Servicer are not partners or joint venturers with each other and nothing herein shall be construed to make them such partners or joint venturers or impose any liability as such on either of them. The Servicer's relation to the Issuer shall be deemed to be that of an independent contractor.

#### 12. Term; Termination.

(a) This Agreement shall commence as of the date first set forth above and shall continue in force and effect until the first of the following occurs: (i) the payment in full of the Notes, the termination of the Indenture in accordance with its terms and the redemption in full of the Preference Shares; (ii) the liquidation of the Collateral and the final distribution of the proceeds of such liquidation to the Holders of the Securities; or (iii) the termination of this Agreement in accordance with subsection (b), (c), (d) or (e) of this Section 12 or Section 14 of this Agreement.

(b) Subject to Section 12(e) below, the Servicer may resign, upon 90 days' written notice to the Issuer (or such shorter notice as is acceptable to the Issuer). If the Servicer resigns, the Issuer agrees to appoint a successor Servicer to assume such duties and obligations in accordance with Section 12(e).



(c) This Agreement shall be automatically terminated in the event that the Issuer determines in good faith that the Issuer or the pool of Collateral has become required to be registered under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, and the Issuer notifies the Servicer thereof.

(d) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to this Section 12, neither party shall have any further liability or obligation to the other, except as provided in Sections 2(c)(i), 8, 10 and 15 of this Agreement.

(e) No removal or resignation of the Servicer shall be effective unless:

(i) (A) the Issuer appoints a successor Servicer at the written direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by the retiring Servicer, any of its Affiliates or any account over which the retiring Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (or, with respect to Class I Preference Shares held by Investors Corp. at such time, Holding Preference Shares held by the retiring Servicer, any of its Affiliates or any account over which the retiring Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority) other than, with respect to the Class II Preference Shares, HFP; provided that, with respect to the voting authority of Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP and certified in writing to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP) (each such non-excluded Preference Share, a "Voting Preference Share"), (B) such successor Servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the retiring Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer, its Affiliates or any account over which the retiring Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority other than HFP; provided that, with respect to the voting authority of Notes owned by HFP, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP and certified in writing to the Trustee by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP) (each such non-excluded Note, a "Voting Note") or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single class);

(ii) if a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares has nominated two or more successor Servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) or has failed to appoint a successor Servicer that has not been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) within 60 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer, (A) the Issuer appoints a successor Servicer at the written direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes), (B) such successor Servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the retiring Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) Majority of the Voting Preference Shares or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single class); or

(iii) if a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and a Super Majority of the Controlling Class (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) has

nominated two or more successor Servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clauses (i)(C) and (ii)(C) or has otherwise failed to appoint a successor Servicer that has not been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) or (ii)(C) within 120 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer, (A) any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes), any Holder of Voting Preference Shares or the Trustee petitions a court of competent authority to appoint a successor Servicer, (B) such court appoints a successor Servicer and (C) such successor Servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the retiring Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture.

In addition, any successor Servicer must be an established institution which (i) has demonstrated an ability to professionally and competently perform duties similar to those imposed upon the Servicer hereunder, (ii) is legally qualified and has the capacity to act as Servicer hereunder, as successor to the Servicer under this Agreement in the assumption of all of the responsibilities, duties and obligations of the Servicer hereunder and under the applicable terms of the Indenture, (iii) shall not cause the Issuer or the pool of Collateral to become required to register under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, (iv) shall perform its duties as Servicer under this Agreement and the Indenture without causing the Issuer, the Co Issuer or any Holder of Preference Shares to become subject to tax in any jurisdiction where such successor Servicer is established as doing business and (v) each Rating Agency has confirmed that the appointment of such successor Servicer shall not cause its then current rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn. No compensation payable to a successor Servicer from payments on the Collateral shall be greater than that paid to the retiring Servicer without the prior written consent of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes, a Majority of the Noteholders and a Majority of the Preference Shares. The Issuer, the Trustee and the successor Servicer shall take such action (or cause the retiring Servicer to take such action) consistent with this Agreement and the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer, as shall be necessary to effectuate any such succession.

(f) In the event of removal of the Servicer pursuant to this Agreement, the Issuer shall have all of the rights and remedies available with respect thereto at law or equity, and, without limiting the foregoing, the Issuer or, to the extent so provided in the Indenture, the Trustee may by notice in writing to the Servicer as provided under this Agreement terminate all the rights and obligations of the Servicer under this Agreement (except those that survive termination pursuant to Section 12(d) above). Upon expiration of the applicable notice period with respect to termination specified in this Section 12 or Section 14 of this Agreement, as applicable, all authority and power of the Servicer under this Agreement, whether with respect to the Collateral or otherwise, shall automatically and without further action by any person or entity pass to and be vested in the successor Servicer upon the appointment thereof.

### 13. Delegation; Assignments.

This Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Servicer hereunder, shall not be delegated by the Servicer, in whole or in part, except to any entity that (i) is controlled by any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers and (ii) is one in which any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers is involved in the day to day management and operations (and in any such case pursuant to an instrument of delegation in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer), without the prior written consent of the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and, notwithstanding any such consent, no delegation of obligations or duties by the Servicer (including, without limitation, to an entity described above) shall relieve the Servicer from any liability hereunder.

Subject to Section 12, any assignment of this Agreement to any Person, in whole or in part, by the Servicer shall be deemed null and void unless (i) such assignment is consented to in writing



by the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and (ii) the Rating Agency Confirmation is satisfied with respect to any such assignment. Any assignment consented to by the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares shall bind the assignee hereunder in the same manner as the Servicer is bound. In addition, the assignee shall execute and deliver to the Issuer and the Trustee a counterpart of this Agreement naming such assignee as Servicer. Upon the execution and delivery of such a counterpart by the assignee and consent thereto by the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares, the Servicer shall be released from further obligations pursuant to this Agreement, except with respect to its obligations arising under Section 10 of this Agreement prior to such assignment and except with respect to its obligations under Sections 2(c)(i) and 15 hereof. This Agreement shall not be assigned by the Issuer without the prior written consent of the Servicer and the Trustee, except in the case of assignment by the Issuer to (i) an entity which is a successor to the Issuer permitted under the Indenture, in which case such successor organization shall be bound hereunder and by the terms of said assignment in the same manner as the Issuer is bound thereunder or (ii) the Trustee as contemplated by the Indenture. In the event of any assignment by the Issuer, the Issuer shall cause its successor to execute and deliver to the Servicer such documents as the Servicer shall consider reasonably necessary to effect fully such assignment. The Servicer hereby consents to the matters set forth in Article 15 of the Indenture.

14. Termination by the Issuer for Cause.

Subject to Section 12(e) above, this Agreement shall be terminated and the Servicer shall be removed by the Issuer for cause upon 10 days' prior written notice to the Servicer and upon written notice to the Holders of the Securities as set forth below, but only if directed to do so by (1) the Trustee, acting at the direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) or (2) the Holders of a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares. For purposes of determining "cause" with respect to any such termination of this Agreement, such term shall mean any one of the following events:

(a) the Servicer willfully breaches in any respect, or takes any action that it knows violates in any respect, any provision of this Agreement or any terms of the Indenture applicable to it;

(b) the Servicer breaches in any material respect any provision of this Agreement or any terms of the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement applicable to it, or any representation, warranty, certification or statement given in writing by the Servicer shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or given, and the Servicer fails to cure such breach or take such action so that the facts (after giving effect to such action) conform in all material respects to such representation, warranty, certificate or statement, in each case within 30 days of becoming aware of, or receiving notice from, the Trustee of, such breach or materially incorrect representation, warranty, certificate or statement;

(c) the Servicer is wound up or dissolved (other than a dissolution in which the remaining members elect to continue the business of the Servicer in accordance with its Governing Instruments) or there is appointed over it or a substantial portion of its assets a receiver, administrator, administrative receiver, trustee or similar officer, or the Servicer (i) ceases to be able to, or admits in writing its inability to, pay its debts as they become due and payable, or makes a general assignment for the benefit of or enters into any composition or arrangement with, its creditors generally; (ii) applies for or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, assignee, custodian, liquidator or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Servicer

or of any substantial part of its properties or assets, or authorizes such an application or consent, or proceedings seeking such appointment are commenced without such authorization, consent or application against the Servicer and continue undismissed for 60 days; (iii) authorizes or files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, or applies for or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the application of any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, readjustment of debt, insolvency or dissolution, or authorizes such application or consent, or proceedings to such end are instituted against the Servicer without such authorization, application or consent and are approved as properly instituted and remain undismissed for 60 days or result in adjudication of bankruptcy or insolvency; or (iv) permits or suffers all or any substantial part of its properties or assets to be sequestered or attached by court order and the order remains undismissed for 60 days;

(d) the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture that results from any breach by the Servicer of its duties under the Indenture or this Agreement, which breach or default is not cured within any applicable cure period; or

(e) (x) the occurrence of an act by the Servicer related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business that constitutes fraud, (y) the Servicer being indicted, or any of its principals being convicted, of a felony criminal offense related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business or (z) the Servicer being indicted for, adjudged liable in a civil suit for, or convicted of a violation of the Securities Act or any other United States Federal securities law or any rules or regulations thereunder.

If any of the events specified in this Section 14 shall occur, the Servicer shall give prompt written notice thereof to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Holders of all outstanding Notes and Preference Shares upon the Servicer's becoming aware of the occurrence of such event.

15. Action Upon Termination.

(a) From and after the effective date of termination of this Agreement, the Servicer shall not be entitled to compensation for further services hereunder, but shall be paid all compensation accrued to the date of termination, as provided in Section 8 hereof, and shall be entitled to receive any amounts owing under Section 10 hereof. Upon the effective date of termination of this Agreement, the Servicer shall as soon as practicable:

(i) deliver to the Issuer all property and documents of the Trustee or the Issuer or otherwise relating to the Collateral then in the custody of the Servicer; and

(ii) deliver to the Trustee an accounting with respect to the books and records delivered to the Trustee or the successor Servicer appointed pursuant to Section 12(e) hereof.

Notwithstanding such termination, the Servicer shall remain liable to the extent set forth herein (but subject to Section 10 hereof) for its acts or omissions hereunder arising prior to termination and for any expenses, losses, damages, liabilities, demands, charges and claims (including reasonable attorneys' fees) in respect of or arising out of a breach of the representations and warranties made by the Servicer in Section 16(b) hereof or from any failure of the Servicer to comply with the provisions of this Section 15.

(b) The Servicer agrees that, notwithstanding any termination of this Agreement, it shall reasonably cooperate in any Proceeding arising in connection with this Agreement, the Indenture or any of the Collateral (excluding any such Proceeding in which claims are asserted against



the Servicer or any Affiliate of the Servicer) upon receipt of appropriate indemnification and expense reimbursement.

16. Representations and Warranties.

(a) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants to the Servicer as follows:

(i) The Issuer has been duly registered and is validly existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands, has full power and authority to own its assets and the securities proposed to be owned by it and included in the Collateral and to transact the business in which it is presently engaged and is duly qualified under the laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Indenture or the Securities would require, such qualification, except for failures to be so qualified, authorized or licensed that would not in the aggregate have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Issuer.

(ii) The Issuer has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities and all obligations required hereunder and thereunder and has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities on the terms and conditions hereof and thereof and the execution by the Issuer, delivery and performance of this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities and the performance of all obligations imposed upon it hereunder and thereunder. No consent of any other person including, without limitation, shareholders and creditors of the Issuer, and no license, permit, approval or authorization of, exemption by, notice or report to, or registration, filing or declaration with, any governmental authority, other than those that may be required under state securities or "blue sky" laws and those that have been or shall be obtained in connection with the other Transaction Documents and the Securities is required by the Issuer in connection with this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities or the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities or the obligations imposed upon it hereunder or thereunder. This Agreement constitutes, and each instrument or document required hereunder, when executed and delivered hereunder, shall constitute, the legally valid and binding obligation of the Issuer enforceable against the Issuer in accordance with its terms, subject to (a) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights and (b) general equitable principles.

(iii) The execution by the Issuer, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the documents and instruments required hereunder shall not violate any provision of any existing law or regulation binding on the Issuer, or any order, judgment, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or governmental authority binding on the Issuer, or the Governing Instruments of, or any securities issued by, the Issuer or of any mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking to which the Issuer is a party or by which the Issuer or any of its assets may be bound, the violation of which would have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Issuer, and shall not result in or require the creation or imposition of any lien on any of its property, assets or revenues pursuant to the provisions of any such mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking (other than the lien of the Indenture).

(iv) The Issuer is not in violation of its Governing Instruments or in breach or violation of or in default under the Indenture or any contract or agreement to which it is a party or by which it or any of its assets may be bound, or any applicable statute or any rule, regulation or order of any court, government agency or body having jurisdiction over the Issuer or its properties, the breach or violation of which or default under which would have a material adverse effect on the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the performance by the Issuer of its duties hereunder.

(v) True and complete copies of the Indenture and the Issuer's Governing Instruments have been delivered to the Servicer.

The Issuer agrees to deliver a true and complete copy of each amendment to the documents referred to in Section 16(a)(v) above to the Servicer as promptly as practicable after its adoption or execution.

(b) The Servicer hereby represents and warrants to the Issuer as follows:

(i) The Servicer is a limited partnership duly organized and validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware, has full power and authority to own its assets and to transact the business in which it is currently engaged and is duly qualified and in good standing under the laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of this Agreement would require such qualification, except for those jurisdictions in which the failure to be so qualified, authorized or licensed would not have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Servicer or on the ability of the Servicer to perform its obligations under, or on the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement and the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer.

(ii) The Servicer has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement and all obligations required hereunder and under the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer, and has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement on the terms and conditions hereof and the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and all obligations required hereunder and under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer. No consent of any other person, including, without limitation, creditors of the Servicer, and no license, permit, approval or authorization of, exemption by, notice or report to, or registration, filing or declaration with, any governmental authority is required by the Servicer in connection with this Agreement or the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the obligations required hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer. This Agreement has been, and each instrument and document required hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer shall be, executed and delivered by a duly authorized partner of the Servicer, and this Agreement constitutes, and each instrument and document required hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer when executed and delivered by the Servicer hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer shall constitute, the valid and legally binding obligations of the Servicer enforceable against the Servicer in accordance with their terms, subject to (a) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights and (b) general equitable principles.



(iii) The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer and the documents and instruments required hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer shall not violate or conflict with any provision of any existing law or regulation binding on or applicable to the Servicer, or any order, judgment, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or governmental authority binding on the Servicer, or the Governing Instruments of, or any securities issued by the Servicer or of any mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking to which the Servicer is a party or by which the Servicer or any of its assets may be bound, the violation of which would have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Servicer or its ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement and the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer, and shall not result in or require the creation or imposition of any lien on any of its material property, assets or revenues pursuant to the provisions of any such mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking.

(iv) There is no charge, investigation, action, suit or proceeding before or by any court pending or, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, threatened that, if determined adversely to the Servicer, would have a material adverse effect upon the performance by the Servicer of its duties under, or on the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement and the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer.

(v) The Servicer is a registered investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act.

(vi) The Servicer is not in violation of its Governing Instruments or in breach or violation of or in default under any contract or agreement to which it is a party or by which it or any of its property may be bound, or any applicable statute or any rule, regulation or order of any court, government agency or body having jurisdiction over the Servicer or its properties, the breach or violation of which or default under which would have a material adverse effect on the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer, or the performance by the Servicer of its duties hereunder.

17. Notices.

Unless expressly provided otherwise herein, all notices, requests, demands and other communications required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing (including by telecopy) and shall be deemed to have been duly given, made and received when delivered against receipt or upon actual receipt of registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, or, in the case of telecopy notice, when received in legible form, addressed as set forth below:

(a) If to the Issuer:

Brentwood CLO, Ltd.  
c/o Maples Finance Limited  
P.O. Box 1093GT  
Queensgate House  
South Church Street  
George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands  
Telephone: (345) 945-7099  
Telecopy: (345) 945-7100  
Attention: The Directors

(b) If to the Servicer:

Highland Capital Management, L.P.  
Two Galleria Tower  
13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300  
Dallas, Texas 75240  
Telephone: (972) 628-4100  
Telecopy: (972) 628-4147  
Attention: James Dondero

(c) If to the Trustee:

Investors Bank & Trust Company  
200 Claredon Street  
Mailcode: EUC-108  
Boston, Massachusetts 02116  
Telecopy: (617) 351-4358  
Attention: CDO Services – Brentwood CLO, Ltd.

(d) If to the Noteholders:

In accordance with Section 14.4 of the Indenture, at their respective addresses set forth on the Note Register.

(e) If to the Holders of the Preference Shares:

In accordance with Section 14.4 of the Indenture, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent at the address identified therein.

(f) if to the Rating Agencies:

In accordance with Section 14.3 of the Indenture, to the Rating Agencies at the address identified therein.

Any party may alter the address or telecopy number to which communications or copies are to be sent by giving notice of such change of address in conformity with the provisions of this Section 17 for the giving of notice.

18. Binding Nature of Agreement; Successors and Assigns.

This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns as provided herein. The Servicer hereby consents to the collateral assignment of this Agreement as provided in the Indenture and further agrees that the Trustee may enforce the Servicer's obligations hereunder.

19. Entire Agreement.

This Agreement contains the entire agreement and understanding among the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements, understandings, inducements and conditions, express or implied, oral or written, of any nature whatsoever with respect to the subject matter hereof. The express terms hereof control and supersede any course of performance and/or usage of the trade inconsistent with any of the terms hereof. This Agreement may not be modified or amended other than by an agreement in writing executed by the parties hereto and in accordance with the terms of Section 15.1(h) of the Indenture.

20. Conflict with the Indenture.

Subject to the last two sentences of Section 2(a)(i), in the event that this Agreement requires any action to be taken with respect to any matter and the Indenture requires that a different action be taken with respect to such matter, and such actions are mutually exclusive, the provisions of the Indenture in respect thereof shall control.

21. Priority of Payments.

The Servicer agrees that the payment of all amounts to which it is entitled pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture shall be due and payable only in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Indenture and only to the extent funds are available for such payments in accordance with such priorities.

22. Governing Law.

**THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS PROVISIONS THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION.**

23. Indulgences Not Waivers.

Neither the failure nor any delay on the part of any party hereto to exercise any right, remedy, power or privilege under this Agreement shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power or privilege preclude any other or further exercise of the same or of any other right, remedy, power or privilege, nor shall any waiver of any right, remedy, power or privilege with respect to any occurrence be construed as a waiver of such right, remedy, power or privilege with respect to any other occurrence. No waiver shall be effective unless it is in writing and is signed by the party asserted to have granted such waiver.



24. Costs and Expenses.

Except as may otherwise be agreed in writing, the costs and expenses (including the fees and disbursements of counsel and accountants) incurred by each party in connection with the negotiation and preparation of and the execution of this Agreement, and all matters incident thereto, shall be borne by such party.

25. Titles Not to Affect Interpretation.

The titles of paragraphs and subparagraphs contained in this Agreement are for convenience only, and they neither form a part of this Agreement nor are they to be used in the construction or interpretation hereof.

26. Execution in Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts by facsimile or other written form of communication, each of which shall be deemed to be an original as against any party whose signature appears thereon, and all of which shall together constitute one and the same instrument. This Agreement shall become binding when one or more counterparts hereof, individually or taken together, shall bear the signatures of all of the parties reflected hereon as the signatories.

27. Provisions Separable.

In case any provision in this Agreement shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable as written, such provision shall be construed in the manner most closely resembling the apparent intent of the parties with respect to such provision so as to be valid, legal and enforceable; provided, however, that if there is no basis for such a construction, such provision shall be ineffective only to the extent of such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability and, unless the ineffectiveness of such provision destroys the basis of the bargain for one of the parties to this Agreement, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions hereof or thereof shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

28. Number and Gender.

Words used herein, regardless of the number and gender specifically used, shall be deemed and construed to include any other number, singular or plural, and any other gender, masculine, feminine or neuter, as the context requires.

29. Written Disclosure Statement.

The Issuer and the Trustee acknowledge receipt of Part II of the Servicer's Form ADV filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, as required by Rule 204-3 under the Advisers Act, more than 48 hours prior to the date of execution of this Agreement.

30. Miscellaneous.

(a) In the event that any vote is solicited with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall vote or refrain from voting any such security in any manner permitted by the Indenture that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities. In addition, with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, may instruct the trustee for such Defaulted Collateral Obligation to enforce the Issuer's rights under the Underlying Instruments governing such Defaulted

Collateral Obligation and any applicable law, rule or regulation in any manner permitted under the Indenture that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities. In the event any Offer is made with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, may take such action as is permitted by the Indenture and that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities.

(b) In connection with taking or omitting any action under the Indenture or this Agreement, the Servicer may consult with counsel and may rely in good faith on the advice of such counsel or any opinion of counsel.

Any corporation, partnership or limited liability company into which the Servicer may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any corporation, partnership or limited liability company resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Servicer shall be a party, or any corporation, partnership or limited liability company succeeding to all or substantially all of the servicing and collateral management business of the Servicer, shall be the successor to the Servicer without any further action by the Servicer, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Noteholders or any other person or entity.

31. Limitation of Liabilities.

The Issuer's obligations hereunder are solely the corporate obligations of the Issuer and the Servicer shall not have any recourse to any of the directors, officers, shareholders, members or incorporators of the Issuer with respect to any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations in connection with any transactions contemplated hereby, except for any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations caused by the gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct of such directors, officers, shareholders, members or incorporators of the Issuer. The obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be limited to the net proceeds of the Collateral, if any, as applied in accordance with the Priorities of Payments pursuant to the Indenture, and following realization of the Collateral and its application in accordance with the Indenture, any outstanding obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. The provisions of this section shall survive termination of this Agreement.

32. Consent to Posting of Documents on Repository.

The Servicer hereby consents to (i) the posting of the final Offering Memorandum, the Indenture and any Hedge Agreements (collectively, the "Documents") and the periodic reports to be delivered pursuant to the Documents and any amendments or other modifications thereto on the Repository (as such term is defined in the Indenture) for use in the manner provided in the Repository; and (ii) the display of its name on the Repository in connection therewith.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,  
as Servicer

By:   
Name: **Todd Travers**  
Title: **Senior Portfolio Manager**  
**Highland Capital Management, L.P.**

BRENTWOOD CLO, LTD.,  
as Issuer

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

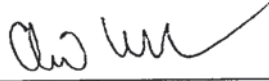


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By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name:  
Title:

BRENTWOOD CLO, LTD.,  
as Issuer

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

**Chris Watler**  
**Director**

## ANNEX 1

### Certain Tax Provisions

Unless otherwise noted, references to the Issuer in this Annex 1 include the Servicer and any other person acting on the Issuer's behalf. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein will have the meanings ascribed to them in the Indenture.

For purposes of this Annex 1,

"Affiliate" means, with respect to a specified Person, (a) any other Person that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls or is controlled by, or is under common control with, the specified Person and (b) any Person that is a member, director, officer or employee of (i) the specified Person or (ii) a Person described in clause (a) of this definition; and

"Person" means an individual, a corporation, a limited liability company, a partnership, an association, a trust or any other entity or organization, including a government or political subdivision or an agency or instrumentality thereof.

#### Section I. General Restrictions.

As provided in this Annex 1, the Issuer (and the Servicer acting on the Issuer's behalf) shall only purchase debt securities, interests in loans and other assets (each a "Portfolio Collateral") only in secondary-market transactions and shall not engage in any lending or underwriting activities or otherwise participate in the structuring or origination of any Portfolio Collateral.

##### A. Communications and Negotiations.

1. The Issuer will not have any communications or negotiations with the obligor of a Portfolio Collateral or a Reference Obligation (directly or indirectly through an intermediary such as the seller of such Portfolio Collateral or the Synthetic Security) in connection with the issuance or funding of such Portfolio Collateral or Reference Obligation or commitments with respect thereto, except for communications of an immaterial nature or customary due diligence communications; provided, that the Servicer may provide comments as to mistakes or inconsistencies in loan documents (including with respect to any provisions that are inconsistent with the terms and conditions of purchase of the loan by the Issuer).

2. By way of example, permitted due diligence activities may include, but are not limited to, (a) attendance at an obligor's general "roadshow" or other presentations to investment professionals, (b) direct private discussions with personnel of the obligor, arranged by a sponsor, lead bank or other arranger, and (c) other due diligence activities of the kind customarily performed by offerees of the type of Portfolio Collateral being offered, but may not include any negotiations with the obligor, employees or agents of the obligor of any terms or conditions of the Portfolio Collateral being offered.

3. Negotiations between the Servicer and the underwriter, placement agent or broker of a Portfolio Collateral are permitted solely to the extent that they are limited to responses to customary pre-offering period and offering period inquiries by the underwriter or placement agent (e.g., "If we offered you 10-year senior subordinated bonds of XYZ company, what spread would it require to interest you?" or "If you will not buy the bonds as offered, would you buy if

we convinced the obligor to add a fixed charge coverage test?”). For purposes of this Section I.A., “negotiations” shall not include (i) commenting on offering documents to an unrelated underwriter or placement agent when the ability to comment was generally available to other offerees, or (ii) communicating certain objective criteria (such as the minimum yield or maturity) the Issuer generally uses in purchasing the relevant type of Portfolio Collateral.

4. The Issuer may consent or otherwise act with respect to amendments, supplements or other modifications of the terms of any Portfolio Collateral (other than a Subsidiary Obligation (as defined in Section III)) requiring consent or action after the date on which any such Portfolio Collateral is acquired by the Issuer if (a) such amendment, supplement or modification would not constitute a Significant Modification (as defined below), (b) (i) in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the obligor is in financial distress and such change in terms is desirable to protect the Issuer’s interest and (ii) the Portfolio Collateral is described in clause 5(b) of this Section I.A., (c) the amendment or modification would not be treated as the acquisition of a new Portfolio Collateral under paragraph 5 of this Section I.A., or (d) otherwise, if it has received advice of counsel that its involvement in such amendment, supplement or modification will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business within the United States.

A “Significant Modification” means any amendment, supplement or other modification that involves (a) a change in the stated maturity or a change in the timing of any material payment of any Portfolio Collateral (including deferral of an interest payment), that would materially alter the weighted average life of the Portfolio Collateral, (b) any change (whether positive or negative) in the yield on the Portfolio Collateral immediately prior to the modification in excess of the greater of (i) 25 basis points or (ii) 5 percent of such unmodified yield, (c) any change involving a material new extension of credit, (d) a change in the obligor of any Portfolio Collateral (as determined for purposes of section 1001 of the Code), or (e) a material change in the collateral or security for any Portfolio Collateral, including the addition or deletion of a co-obligor or guarantor that results in a material change in payment expectations.

5. In the event the Issuer owns an interest in a Portfolio Collateral the terms of which are subsequently amended or modified, or in the case of a workout situation not described in Section III hereof, which Portfolio Collateral is subsequently exchanged for new obligations or other securities of the obligor of the Portfolio Collateral, such amendments or modifications or exchange will not be treated as the acquisition of an interest in a new Portfolio Collateral for purposes of this Annex 1, provided, that (a) the Issuer does not, directly or indirectly (through the Servicer or otherwise), seek the amendments or modifications or the exchange, or participate in negotiating the amendments or modifications or the exchange, and (b) at the time of original acquisition of the interest in the Portfolio Collateral, it was not reasonably anticipated that the terms of the Portfolio Collateral would, pursuant to a workout or other negotiation, subsequently be amended or modified.

#### B. Fees.

The Issuer will not earn or receive from any Person any fee or other compensation for services, however denominated, in connection with its purchase or sale of a Portfolio Collateral or entering into a Synthetic Security; the foregoing prohibition shall not be construed to preclude the Issuer from receiving (i) commitment fees or facility maintenance fees that are received by the Issuer in connection with revolving or delayed drawdown Loans; (ii) yield maintenance and prepayment penalty fees; (iii) fees on account of the Issuer’s consenting to amendments, waivers or other modifications of the terms of any items of Portfolio Collateral; (iv) fees from permitted securities lending; or (v) upfront payments in lieu of



periodic payments under a Synthetic Security. The Issuer will not provide services to any Person; the foregoing prohibition shall not be construed to preclude the Issuer from activities relating to the receipt of income described in (i) through (v) of the preceding sentence.

Section II. Loans and Forward Purchase Commitments.

A. Any understanding or commitment to purchase a loan, a participation, a loan subparticipation or a collateralized loan obligation (collectively, "Loans") from a seller before completion of the closing and full funding of the Loan by such seller shall only be made pursuant to a forward sale agreement at an agreed price (stated as a dollar amount or as a percentage) (a "Forward Purchase Commitment"), unless such an understanding or commitment is not legally binding and neither the Issuer nor the Servicer is economically compelled (e.g., would otherwise be subject to a significant monetary penalty) to purchase the Loan following the completion of the closing and full funding of the Loan (i.e., the Servicer will make an independent decision whether to purchase such Loan on behalf of the Issuer after completion of the closing of the Loan) (a "Non-Binding Agreement").

B. No Forward Purchase Commitment or Non-Binding Agreement shall be made until after the seller (or a transferor to such seller of such Loan) has made a legally binding commitment to fully fund such Loan to the obligor thereof (subject to customary conditions), which commitment cannot be conditioned on the Issuer's ultimate purchase of such Loan from such seller.

C. In the event of any reduced or eliminated funding, the Issuer shall not receive any premium, fee, or other compensation in connection with having entered into the Forward Purchase Commitment or Non-Binding Agreement.

D. The Issuer shall not close any purchase of a Loan subject to a Forward Purchase Commitment or a Non-Binding Agreement earlier than 48 hours after the time of the closing of the Loan (i.e., execution of definitive documentation), and, in the case of a Forward Purchase Commitment, the Issuer's obligation to purchase such Loan is subject to the condition that no material adverse change has occurred in the financial condition of the Loan's obligor or the relevant market on or before the relevant purchase date.

E. The Issuer cannot have a contractual relationship with the obligor with respect to a Loan until the Issuer actually purchases the Loan.

F. The Issuer cannot be a signatory on the original lending agreement, and cannot be obligated to fund an assignment of or a participation in a Loan, prior to the time specified in subsection D above.

Section III. Distressed Debt.

A. The Issuer may only purchase a Debt Instrument that is a Potential Workout Obligation to the extent permitted by this Section III.

B. Neither the Issuer nor the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall purchase a Subsidiary Obligation from any Issuer Subsidiary.

C. Special Procedures for Subsidiary Obligations.

1. Potential Workout Obligations. On or prior to the date of acquisition, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall identify each Portfolio Collateral that is a Potential Workout Obligation.

2. Transfer of Subsidiary Obligations. From and after the occurrence of a Workout Determination Date with respect to a Subsidiary Obligation, neither the Issuer nor the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall knowingly take any action in respect of such Subsidiary Obligation that may result in the Issuer being engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes. As soon as practicable, but in any event within 30 calendar days following a Workout Determination Date, the Servicer shall cause the Issuer either (i) to sell or dispose of any Subsidiary Obligation identified on such Workout Determination Date to a Person that is not an Affiliate of the Issuer or Servicer or (ii) to assign any Subsidiary Obligation identified on such Workout Determination Date to an Issuer Subsidiary.

For purposes of this Annex 1, an “Issuer Subsidiary” means any wholly-owned corporate subsidiary of the Issuer to which a Special Workout Obligation may be transferred in accordance with this Annex 1.

3. Consideration for Assignment of Subsidiary Obligations. Consideration given by an Issuer Subsidiary for the assignment to it of Subsidiary Obligations may be in the form of cash or in the form of indebtedness of, or equity interests in, such Issuer Subsidiary.

4. Classification of Issuer Subsidiaries. Each Issuer Subsidiary shall be an entity treated as a corporation for United States federal income tax purposes and formed under the laws of any state of the United States.

As used herein:

“Potential Workout Obligation” means any debt instrument (any such instrument, including an interest in a Loan, a “Debt Instrument”) which, as of the date of acquisition by the Issuer or an Issuer Subsidiary, based on information specific to such Debt Instrument or the circumstances of the obligor thereof, is a Workout Obligation or, in the reasonable determination of the Servicer, has a materially higher likelihood of becoming a Workout Obligation as compared to debt obligations that par or other non-distressed debt purchasers or funds relating to that asset type customarily purchase and expect to hold to maturity.

“Subsidiary Obligation” means any Potential Workout Obligation (a) as to which the Issuer on any Workout Determination Date either (i) owns more than 40% of the aggregate principal amount of such class of Potential Workout Obligation outstanding or (ii) is one of the two largest holders of any class of debt of the obligor of such Potential Workout Obligation (based on the outstanding principal amount of such class of debt owned by the Issuer as a percentage of the aggregate outstanding principal amount of such class of debt) unless not fewer than three other holders and the Issuer collectively own at least 65% of such class of debt and, if the Issuer is the largest holder of such class, the Issuer’s percentage of such class does not exceed the percentage held by the next largest holder of the debt by more than 5% of such class or (b) that would, upon foreclosure or exercise of similar legal remedies, result in the Issuer directly owning assets (other than securities treated as debt, equity in a partnership not engaged in a trade or business within the United States, or corporate equity for United States federal income tax



purposes, provided in the case of corporate equity that the corporation is not a “United States real property holding corporation” within the meaning of section 897 of the Code) which are “United States real property interests” within the meaning of section 897 of the Code or which the Servicer reasonably expects it would, on behalf of the Issuer, be required to actively manage to preserve the value of the Issuer’s interest therein; provided that a Potential Workout Obligation shall not be treated as a Subsidiary Obligation if the Issuer obtains a Tax Opinion that, based on all the surrounding circumstances, the activities in which the Issuer intends to engage with respect to such Potential Workout Obligation will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes.

“Workout Determination Date” means any date on which, in connection with the occurrence of any event described in clauses (a) through (c), inclusive, of the definition of Workout Obligation, either (a) any material action by the Issuer is required to be taken, (b) the Servicer receives written notice that such material action shall be required or (c) the Servicer reasonably determines that the taking of such material action is likely to be required.

“Workout Obligation” means any Debt Instrument as to which the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer (a) consents to a Significant Modification in connection with the workout of a defaulted Portfolio Collateral, (b) participates in an official or unofficial committee or similar official or unofficial body in connection with a bankruptcy, reorganization, restructuring or similar proceeding, or (c) exercises, or has exercised on its behalf, rights of foreclosure or similar judicial remedies.

#### Section IV. Purchases from the Servicer or its Affiliates.

A. If the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer acted as an underwriter, placement or other agent, arranger, negotiator or structuror, or received any fee for services (it being understood that receipts described in clauses (i) through (v) of Section I.B. are not construed as so treated), in connection with the issuance or origination of a Portfolio Collateral or was a member of the original lending syndicate with respect to the Portfolio Collateral (any such Portfolio Collateral, a “Special Procedures Obligation”), the Issuer will not acquire any interest in such Special Procedures Obligation (including entering into a commitment or agreement, whether or not legally binding or enforceable, to acquire such obligation directly or synthetically), from the Servicer, an Affiliate of the Servicer, or a fund managed by the Servicer, unless (i) the Special Procedures Obligation has been outstanding for at least 90 days, (ii) the holder of the Special Procedures Obligation did not identify the obligation or security as intended for sale to the Issuer within 90 days of its issuance, (iii) the price paid for such Special Procedures Obligation by the Issuer is its fair market value at the time of acquisition by the Issuer, and (iv) the transaction is proposed to, and the ultimate purchase is approved on behalf of the Issuer by, one or more Independent Advisors to the Issuer in accordance with the provisions of Section IV.B. below. The Issuer will not acquire any Special Procedures Obligation if, immediately following such acquisition, the fair market value of all Special Procedures Obligations owned by the Issuer would constitute more than 49% of the fair market value of all of the Issuer’s assets at such time.

B. An “Independent Advisor” is a Person who is not an Affiliate of the Issuer, the Servicer or any fund managed by the Servicer.

1. The Issuer may not purchase or commit to enter into any such Special Procedures Obligation without prior approval by an Independent Advisor. If the Independent Advisor declines to approve a proposed Special Procedures Obligation, at least three months must elapse before any proposal with respect to the acquisition of debt or other obligations of the same obligor are proposed or considered.

2. The Issuer shall engage the Independent Advisor in an agreement the terms of which shall in substantial form set forth:

(a) the representation of the Independent Advisor, which the Servicer shall not know to be incorrect, that it has significant financial and commercial expertise, including substantial expertise and knowledge in and of the loan market and related investment arenas;

(b) the agreement between the Independent Advisor, the Issuer and the Servicer generally to the effect that (i) the Independent Advisor will operate pursuant to procedures consistent with maintaining his or her independence from the Servicer and its Affiliates, (ii) the Independent Advisor will have the sole authority and discretion to approve or reject purchase proposals made by the Servicer with respect to any Special Procedures Obligation, (iii) all proposals for the Issuer to acquire any Special Procedures Obligation will be first submitted to the Independent Advisor, (iii) the Servicer will prepare the materials it deems necessary to describe the Special Procedures Obligation to the Independent Advisor, (iv) the Investment Advisor will not be required to make any decision to accept or decline a Special Procedures Obligation at the price offered prior to its review of the materials prepared, plus any additional information requested by the Independent Advisor, and (v) no Independent Advisor may be proposed to be replaced by the Servicer, unless for cause or in the event of a resignation of such Independent Advisor; and

(c) such other commercially reasonable terms and conditions, including terms and conditions to the effect that (i) the Independent Advisor will be paid a reasonable fee for its services plus reimbursement of any reasonable expenses incurred in performance of his or her responsibilities, (ii) the Independent Advisor may be removed or replaced only by a majority (whether by positive act or failure to object) of the probable equity owners (as determined for United States federal income tax purposes) of the Issuer, (iii) if at any time there is more than one Independent Advisor to the Issuer, a majority of such Independent Advisors must approve any Special Procedures Obligation subject to Independent Advisor approval, (iv) an Independent Advisor may not engage, directly or indirectly, in the negotiation of the terms of any Special Procedures Obligation to be acquired by the Issuer (provided however, that an Independent Advisor may negotiate with the Servicer or the seller with respect to the price and terms of the Issuer's purchase of the Special Procedures Obligation, provided further that the Independent Advisor will not make suggestions to the Servicer or any other person about alternative or modified terms of the underlying Special Procedures Obligation on which they might be willing to approve such a Special Procedures Obligation).

3. Any servicing agreement or other document under which the Servicer is granted signatory powers or other authority on behalf of the Issuer will provide that such powers or authority with respect to Special Procedures Obligations are conditioned upon the prior written approval of the Independent Advisor

4. No Special Procedures Obligation will be presented to an Independent Advisor until at least 90 days have elapsed since the later of (a) the execution of final documentation and (b) the funding in whole or part of the Special Procedures Obligation and there will have been no commitment or arrangement prior to that time that the Issuer will acquire any such Special Procedures Obligation; provided, further, that if the person from whom the Issuer will acquire the



Special Procedures Obligation is an Affiliate of the Servicer, such person will not be treated as owning the Special Procedures Obligation for any day during which it does not enjoy substantially all of the benefits and burdens of ownership (for example, because it has hedged its credit exposure to the Special Procedures Obligation).

5. The Issuer will have no obligation to, or understanding that it will refund, reimburse or indemnify any person (including an Affiliate of the Servicer), directly or indirectly, for "breakage" costs or other costs or expenses incurred by such person if the Independent Advisor determines that the Issuer should decline to purchase any Special Procedures Obligation.

6. Neither the Servicer nor any Affiliate of the Servicer will have any authority to enter into agreements, or take any action, on behalf of the Issuer with respect to Special Procedures Obligations without the prior written approval of an Independent Advisor. Except as may be conditioned upon such prior written approval, neither the Servicer nor any Affiliate of the Servicer may hold itself out as having signatory powers on behalf of the Issuer or authority to enter into agreements with respect to Special Procedures Obligations on behalf of the Issuer.

Section V. Synthetic Securities.

A. The Issuer shall not (i) acquire or enter into any Synthetic Security with respect to any Reference Obligation the direct acquisition of which would violate any provision of this Annex 1 or (ii) use Synthetic Securities as a means of making advances to the Synthetic Security Counterparty following the date on which the Synthetic Security is acquired or entered into (for the avoidance of doubt, the establishment of Synthetic Security collateral accounts and the payment of Synthetic Security Counterparties from the amounts on deposit therein, shall not constitute the making of advances).

B. With respect to each Synthetic Security, the Issuer will not acquire or enter into any Synthetic Security that does not satisfy all of the following additional criteria unless the Servicer has first received advice of counsel that the ownership and disposition of such Synthetic Security would not cause the Issuer to be engaged in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes:

1. the criteria used to determine whether to enter into any particular Synthetic Security was similar to the criteria used by the Servicer in making purchase decisions with respect to debt securities;

2. the Synthetic Security is acquired by or entered into by the Issuer for its own account and for investment purposes with the expectation of realizing a profit from income earned on the securities (and any potential rise in their value) during the interval of time between their purchase and sale or hedging purposes and not with an intention to trade or to sell for a short-term profit;

3. the Issuer enters into the Synthetic Security with a counterparty that is not a special purpose vehicle and is a broker-dealer or that holds itself out as in the business of entering into such contracts;

4. neither the Issuer nor any Person acting on behalf of the Issuer advertises or publishes the Issuer's ability to enter into Synthetic Securities;



5. except with respect to (x) credit-linked notes or similar Synthetic Securities and (y) any other Synthetic Securities where standard form ISDA documentation is not applicable, the Synthetic Security is written on standard form ISDA documentation;

6. the net payment from the Issuer to the Synthetic Security Counterparty is not determined based on an actual loss incurred by the Synthetic Security Counterparty or any other designated person;

7. there exists no agreement, arrangement or understanding that (i) the Synthetic Security Counterparty is required to own or hold the related Reference Obligation while the Synthetic Security remains in effect or (ii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty is economically or practically compelled to own or hold the related physical Reference Obligation while the Synthetic Security remains in effect;

8. the Synthetic Security provides for (i) all cash settlement, (ii) all physical settlement or (iii) the option to either cash settle or physically settle; provided that, in the latter two cases, physical settlement provides the settling party the right to settle the Synthetic Security by delivering deliverable obligations which *may* include the Reference Obligation and the settling party must not be required to deliver the related Reference Obligation upon the settlement of such Synthetic Security.

Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, a Synthetic Security providing for physical settlement may require a party to deliver the related Reference Obligation if either:

(i) at the time the Issuer enters into such Synthetic Security, such Reference Obligation is readily available to purchasers generally in a liquid market; or

(ii) the advice of both United States federal income tax and insurance counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters is that, under the relevant facts and circumstances with respect to such Synthetic Security, the acquisition of such Synthetic Security will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis and should not cause the Issuer to be treated as writing insurance in the United States under the law of the state in which the Synthetic Security Counterparty is organized.

9. the Synthetic Security is not treated by the Issuer as insurance or a financial guarantee sold by the Issuer for United States or Cayman Islands regulatory purposes.

As used herein:

“Reference Obligation” means a debt security or other obligation upon which a Synthetic Security is based.

“Synthetic Security” means any swap transaction or security, other than a participation interest in a Loan, that has payments associated with either payments of interest and/or principal on a Reference Obligation or the credit performance of a Reference Obligation.

“Synthetic Security Counterparty” means an entity (other than the Issuer) required to make payments on a Synthetic Security (including any guarantor).

Section VI. Other Types of Assets.

A. Equity Restrictions. The Issuer will not purchase any asset (directly or synthetically) that is:

1. not treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as debt if the issuing entity is a "partnership" (within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(2) of the Code) unless such entity is not engaged in a trade or business within the United States, or
2. a "United States real property interest" as defined in section 897 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.

The Issuer may cause an Issuer Subsidiary to acquire assets set forth in clause (i) or (ii) above (each, an "ETB/897 Asset") in connection with the workout of defaulted Portfolio Collaterals, so long as the acquisition of ETB/897 Assets by such Issuer Subsidiary will not cause the stock of such Issuer Subsidiary to be deemed to be an ETB/897 Asset.

B. Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans. All of the terms of any advance required to be made by the Issuer under any revolving or delayed drawdown Loan will be fixed as of the date of the Issuer's purchase thereof (or will be determinable under a formula that is fixed as of such date), and the Issuer and the Servicer will not have any discretion (except for consenting or withholding consent to amendments, waivers or other modifications or granting customary waivers upon default) as to whether to make advances under such revolving or delayed drawdown Loan.

C. Securities Lending Agreements. The Issuer will not purchase any Portfolio Collateral primarily for the purpose of entering into a securities lending agreement with respect thereto.

Section VII. General Restrictions on the Issuer.

The Issuer itself shall not:

A. hold itself out, through advertising or otherwise, as originating Loans, lending funds, or making a market in or dealing in Loans or other assets;

B. register as, hold itself out as, or become subject to regulatory supervision or other legal requirements under the laws of any country or political subdivision thereof as, a broker-dealer, a bank, an insurance company, financial guarantor, a surety bond issuer, or a company engaged in Loan origination;

C. knowingly take any action causing it to be treated as a bank, insurance company, or company engaged in Loan origination for purposes of any tax, securities law or other filing or submission made to any governmental authority;

D. hold itself out, through advertising or otherwise, as originating, funding, guaranteeing or insuring debt obligations or as being willing and able to enter into transactions (either purchases or sales of debt obligations or entries into, assignments or terminations of hedging or derivative instruments, including Synthetic Securities) at the request of others;

E. treat Synthetic Securities as insurance, reinsurance, indemnity bonds, guaranties, guaranty bonds or suretyship contracts for any purpose;

F. allow any non-U.S. bank or lending institution who is a holder of a Security to control or direct the Servicer's or Issuer's decision to acquire a particular asset except as otherwise allowed to such a holder, acting in that capacity, under the related indenture or acquire a Portfolio Collateral conditioned upon a particular person or entity holding Securities;

G. acquire any asset the holding or acquisition of which the Servicer knows would cause the Issuer to be subject to income tax on a net income basis;

H. hold any security as nominee for another person; or

I. buy securities with the intent to subdivide them and sell the components or to buy securities and sell them with different securities as a package or unit.

Section VIII. Tax Opinion; Amendments.

A. In furtherance and not in limitation of this Annex 1, the Servicer shall comply with all of the provisions set forth in this Annex 1, unless, with respect to a particular transaction, the Servicer acting on behalf of the Issuer and the Trustee shall have received written advice of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP or Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP or an opinion of other counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters (a "Tax Opinion"), that, under the relevant facts and circumstances with respect to such transaction, the Servicer's failure to comply with one or more of such provisions will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis.

B. The provisions set forth in the Annex may be amended, eliminated or supplemented by the Servicer if the Issuer, the Servicer and the Trustee shall have received a Tax Opinion that the Servicer's compliance with such amended provisions or supplemental provisions or the failure to comply with such provisions proposed to be eliminated, as the case may be, will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis.

## **EXHIBIT O**

OFFERING MEMORANDUM

CONFIDENTIAL

# Eastland CLO, Ltd.

## Eastland CLO Corp.

U.S.\$100,000,000 Class A-1 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2022  
U.S.\$825,600,000 Class A-2a Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2022  
U.S.\$206,000,000 Class A-2b Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2022  
U.S.\$78,500,000 Class A-3 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2022  
U.S.\$81,500,000 Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2022  
U.S.\$68,500,000 Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2022  
U.S.\$48,000,000 Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2022  
61,500 Class I Preference Shares  
62,000 Class II Preference Shares

The Securities will be issued on or about March 13, 2007 (the “**Closing Date**”). The Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares are subject to multiple extensions if the Issuer provides timely notice and the Extension Conditions are satisfied as described herein.

The net proceeds of the offering of the Securities will be applied by the Issuer to repurchase participation interests in certain Collateral Obligations sold to finance the purchase of such Collateral Obligations prior to the Closing Date and to purchase additional Collateral Obligations on and after the Closing Date, all of which will be pledged under the Indenture by the Issuer to the Trustee for the benefit of the secured parties named therein. See “Use of Proceeds.” Highland Capital Management, L.P. (“**Highland Capital**” or, in such capacity, the “**Servicer**”) will service the Issuer’s portfolio.

The initial offer price of the Notes is 100% of the principal amount thereof. The initial offer price of the Preference Shares is U.S.\$1,000 per share.

This Offering Memorandum constitutes a prospectus (the “**Prospectus**”) for the purposes of Directive 2003/71/EC (the “**Prospectus Directive**”). Application is expected to be made to the Irish Financial Services Regulatory Authority, as competent authority under the Prospectus Directive for this Prospectus to be approved. Application is expected to be made to the Irish Stock Exchange for the Senior Notes to be admitted to the Official List and trading on its regulated market.

### **Investing in the Securities involves risks. See “Risk Factors” beginning on Page 29.**

Certain pledged assets of the issuer are the sole source of payments on the Securities. The Securities do not represent an interest in or obligations of, and are not insured or guaranteed by, the Holders of the Preference Shares, the Servicer, the Trustee, any paying agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty or any of their respective Affiliates.

The Securities have not been, and will not be, registered under the Securities Act and neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer will be registered under the Investment Company Act. The Senior Notes will be offered and sold to non-U.S. Persons outside of the United States in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act. The Senior Notes may not be offered or sold within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. Persons except to persons that are (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers and (ii) Qualified Purchasers. The Class D Notes and the Preference Shares will be offered and sold only to persons that are (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers (or, solely in the case of a Holder purchasing Class D Notes on the Closing Date, to an institutional investor that is also an Accredited Investor) and (ii) Qualified Purchasers. The Securities are not transferable except in accordance with the restrictions described under “Transfer Restrictions.”

On or about the Closing Date, (i) the Issuer will sell all of the Class I Preference Shares directly to Eastland Investors Corp., an exempted limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands (“**Investors Corp.**”) and (ii) Citigroup Global Markets Inc., as initial purchaser (the “**Initial Purchaser**”) of the Notes and placement agent (the “**Placement Agent**”) of the Class II Preference Shares, expects to deliver such Notes and Class II Preference Shares to purchasers. Highland Financial Partners, L.P. (“**HFP**”) (an Affiliate of the Servicer) and/or one or more of its subsidiaries will purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares through the Placement Agent.

**Citigroup**

March 9, 2007



Payment of interest on, and principal of, the Notes will be made by the Issuer in U.S. Dollars on the first day of each February, May, August and November of each year (or if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day) (each such date a “**Payment Date**”), commencing August 1, 2007, to the extent of available cash flow in respect of the Collateral in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Each Class of Notes will bear interest at the per annum rates set forth under “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.” The Preference Shares will receive as dividends certain amounts available for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments. In addition, Holders of the Class II Preference Shares are entitled, subject to any restrictions under Cayman Islands law, to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments equivalent to the proceeds that would otherwise constitute Servicing Fees payable to the Servicer until (and including) the Payment Date in February 2008. After the Payment Date in February 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Issuer to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. See “Description of the Securities—Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Preference Shares from Interest Proceeds” and “—Priority of Payments.”

The Notes will be subject to Optional Redemption in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period, in each case at the direction of the applicable Required Redemption Percentage. The Notes will be subject to mandatory redemption on any Payment Date, to the extent that any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied, as described herein. The Notes will be subject to Special Redemption, at the discretion of the Servicer, to the extent that at any time during the Replacement Period, the Servicer cannot identify satisfactory additional or replacement Collateral Obligations. The Notes will be subject to Refinancing after the Non-Call Period on the terms and conditions described herein. After redemption in full of the Notes, the Preference Shares will be subject to Optional Redemption in whole or in part on any Payment Date by the Issuer at the direction of the Holders of the requisite percentage of the Preference Shares at the applicable Redemption Price pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted; *provided, however*, that the Preference Shares must be redeemed on or prior to the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. See “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption,” “Optional Redemption—Redemption by Refinancing,” “—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes,” “—Special Redemption of Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture” and “—Priority of Payments.” The principal amount of the Notes will be payable at the Stated Maturity, unless redeemed or paid in full prior thereto. The Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed at their Redemption Price on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, unless redeemed prior thereto.

**Application is expected to be made to list the Senior Notes on the regulated market of the Irish Stock Exchange (the “ISE”). However, there can be no assurance that the ISE will in fact accept the listing of the Senior Notes or, if accepted, that such listing will be maintained. Furthermore, the Co-Issuers will not be required to maintain a listing on a stock exchange in the European Union if compliance with requirements of the European Commission on a member state becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer.**

It is a condition of the issuance of the Securities that (i) the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2a Notes each be rated “Aaa” by Moody’s Investors Service, Inc. (“**Moody’s**”) and “AAA” by Standard & Poor’s Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. (“**S&P**” and, together with Moody’s, the “**Rating Agencies**”), (ii) the Class A-2b Notes be rated at least “Aa1” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P, (iii) the Class A-3 Notes be rated at least “Aa2” by Moody’s and at least “AA” by S&P, (iv) the Class B Notes be rated at least “A2” by Moody’s and at least “A” by S&P, (v) the Class C Notes be rated at least “Baa2” by Moody’s and at least “BBB” by S&P and (vi) the Class D Notes be rated at least “Ba2” by Moody’s and at least “BB” by S&P. Each of the above ratings assumes that no Maturity Extension

occurs after the Closing Date. A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning Rating Agency. The Preference Shares will not be rated by any credit rating agency.

No person has been authorized to make or provide any representation or information regarding the Co-Issuers or the Securities other than as contained in this Offering Memorandum. Any such representation or information should not be relied upon as having been authorized by the Co-Issuers, the Initial Purchaser or the Placement Agent. The delivery of this Offering Memorandum at any time does not imply that the information contained in it is correct as of any time subsequent to the date of this Offering Memorandum. The Co-Issuers disclaim any obligation to update such information and do not intend to do so. Unless otherwise indicated, all information in this Offering Memorandum is given as of the date of this Offering Memorandum.

This Offering Memorandum has been prepared by the Co-Issuers solely for use in connection with the listing of the Senior Notes and the offering of the Securities as described herein. Unless as otherwise provided herein, the Co-Issuers have taken reasonable care to ensure that facts stated in this Offering Memorandum are true and accurate in all material respects and that there have not been omitted material facts the omission of which would make misleading in any material respect any statements of fact or opinion herein. The Co-Issuers accept responsibility accordingly.

The information appearing in the sections entitled “Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer” and “The Servicer” has been prepared by the Servicer and has not been independently verified by the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent or the Co-Issuers. The Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent and the Co-Issuers do not assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness, or applicability of such information, except that the Co-Issuers assume responsibility for accurately reproducing such information in this Offering Memorandum.

None of the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Servicer (except with respect to the sections entitled, “Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer” and “The Servicer”) or the Trustee makes any representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the accuracy or completeness of the information in this Offering Memorandum. Each person receiving this Offering Memorandum acknowledges that such person has not relied on the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Servicer (except with respect to the section entitled “Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer” and “The Servicer”) or the Trustee or any person affiliated therewith, in connection with its investigation of the accuracy of such information or its investment decision. Each person contemplating making an investment in the Securities must make its own investigation and analysis of the creditworthiness of the Co-Issuers and its own determination of the suitability of any such investment, with particular reference to its own investment objectives and experience, and any other factors that may be relevant to it in connection with such investment.

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION OR OTHER REGULATORY AUTHORITY, AND NONE OF THE FOREGOING AUTHORITIES HAS CONFIRMED THE ACCURACY OR DETERMINED THE ADEQUACY OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

This Offering Memorandum contains summaries of certain documents. The summaries do not purport to be complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to such documents. Each person receiving this Offering Memorandum acknowledges that such person has been afforded an opportunity to request from

the Issuer and to review, and has received, all additional information considered by such person to be necessary to verify the accuracy and completeness of the information herein. Requests and inquiries regarding this Offering Memorandum or such documents should be directed to the Issuer, in care of the Citigroup Global Markets Inc. at 390 Greenwich Street., 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10013, Attention: CDO Group. Such requests may also be made to the Listing Agent at the address set forth on the final page of this Offering Memorandum.

The Securities are a new issue of securities. There can be no assurance that a secondary market for any of the Securities will develop, or if a secondary market does develop, that it will provide the Holders of such Securities with liquidity of investment or that it will continue. Accordingly, investors should be prepared to bear the risks of holding the Securities until final payment is made thereon.

THE CONTENTS OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM ARE NOT TO BE CONSTRUED AS ACCOUNTING, LEGAL, BUSINESS OR TAX ADVICE. EACH PROSPECTIVE INVESTOR SHOULD CONSULT ITS OWN ACCOUNTANT, ATTORNEY, BUSINESS ADVISOR AND TAX ADVISOR AS TO LEGAL, BUSINESS AND TAX ADVICE. NONE OF THE CO-ISSUERS, THE INITIAL PURCHASER, THE PLACEMENT AGENT, THE SERVICER OR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES MAKES ANY REPRESENTATION TO ANY OFFEREE OF THE SECURITIES REGARDING THE LEGALITY OF AN INVESTMENT THEREIN BY SUCH OFFEREE UNDER APPLICABLE LEGAL INVESTMENT OR SIMILAR LAWS OR REGULATIONS OR THE PROPER CLASSIFICATION OF SUCH AN INVESTMENT THEREUNDER.

This Offering Memorandum does not constitute an offer of, or an invitation by or on behalf of, the Co-Issuers, the Initial Purchaser or the Placement Agent to subscribe to or purchase any of the Securities in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful to make such an offer or invitation. The distribution of this Offering Memorandum and the offering of the Securities in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law. Persons into whose possession this Offering Memorandum comes are required by the Co-Issuers, the Initial Purchaser and the Placement Agent to inform themselves about and to observe any such restrictions. For a description of certain further restrictions on offers and sales of Securities and distribution of this Offering Memorandum, see “Description of the Securities,” “Plan of Distribution” and “Transfer Restrictions.”

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has been registered under the United States Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “**Investment Company Act**”), in reliance on an exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Section 3(c)(7) under the Investment Company Act (“**Section 3(c)(7)**”). Each purchaser of Senior Notes represented by an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will be deemed to represent and agree and each purchaser of Class D Notes will be required to represent and agree that (i) the purchaser is acquiring such Notes in a principal amount of not less than U.S.\$250,000, and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof for such purchaser (and, in the case of the Senior Notes, each account for which such purchaser is purchasing such Notes) and (ii) the purchaser (and, in the case of the Senior Notes, each such account), is a Qualified Purchaser for purposes of Section 3(c)(7) (“**Qualified Purchaser**”). Each purchaser of Preference Shares will be required to represent and agree that (i) the purchaser is acquiring such Preference Shares in a number of not less than 100 Preference Shares and in integral multiples of one Preference Share in excess thereof for such purchaser and (ii) the purchaser is a Qualified Purchaser. See “Transfer Restrictions.”

The Issuer and the Co-Issuer may, at any time following the Closing Date, rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act (“**Rule 3a-7**”) in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7) upon (a) receipt of an opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm providing that neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer is required to register as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on such exclusion under Rule 3a-7



and (b) notice to the Holders of the Securities in accordance with the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. In connection with the Issuer's reliance on Rule 3a-7 in lieu of Section 3(c)(7), the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents may be amended without the consent of any Holders and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to prevent the Issuer from becoming an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7). See "Risk Factors—The Servicer May Cause the Issuer to Amend the Indenture to Assure Compliance with Rule 3a-7 Without the Consent of the Holders of the Securities in a Manner That May Adversely Affect the Holders of Securities."

No invitation to subscribe for the Securities may be made to the public in the Cayman Islands.

Prospective purchasers are hereby notified that a seller of the Securities may be relying on an exemption from the registration requirements of Section 5 of the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "**Securities Act**") provided by Section 4(2) of the Securities Act ("**Section 4(2)**").

In this Offering Memorandum references to "Dollars," "\$" and "U.S.\$" are dollars or other equivalent units in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for all debts, public and private.

**NO ACTION WAS TAKEN OR IS BEING CONTEMPLATED BY THE CO-ISSUERS THAT WOULD PERMIT A PUBLIC OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES OR POSSESSION OR DISTRIBUTION OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY AMENDMENT THEREOF, OR SUPPLEMENT THERETO OR ANY OTHER OFFERING MATERIAL RELATING TO THE SECURITIES IN ANY JURISDICTION (OTHER THAN IRELAND) WHERE, OR IN ANY OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH, ACTION FOR THOSE PURPOSES IS REQUIRED. NOTHING CONTAINED HEREIN SHALL CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO SELL OR A SOLICITATION OF AN OFFER TO PURCHASE ANY SECURITIES IN ANY JURISDICTION WHERE IT IS UNLAWFUL TO DO SO ABSENT THE TAKING OF SUCH ACTION OR THE AVAILABILITY OF AN EXEMPTION THEREFROM.**

**THIS DOCUMENT IS CONSIDERED AN ADVERTISEMENT FOR PURPOSES OF APPLICABLE MEASURES IMPLEMENTING E.U. DIRECTIVE 2003/71/EC. A PROSPECTUS PREPARED PURSUANT TO THE PROSPECTUS DIRECTIVE WILL BE PUBLISHED, WHICH CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE ISSUER AND THE IRISH PAYING AGENT. SEE "LISTING AND GENERAL INFORMATION."**

#### **NOTICE TO NEW HAMPSHIRE RESIDENTS**

**NEITHER THE FACT THAT A REGISTRATION STATEMENT OR AN APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE HAS BEEN FILED UNDER CHAPTER 421-B OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE REVISED STATUTES (THE "RSA") WITH THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE NOR THE FACT THAT A SECURITY IS EFFECTIVELY REGISTERED OR A PERSON IS LICENSED IN THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CONSTITUTES A FINDING BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE THAT ANY DOCUMENT FILED UNDER RSA 421-B IS TRUE, COMPLETE AND NOT MISLEADING. NEITHER ANY SUCH FACT NOR THE FACT THAT AN EXEMPTION OR EXCEPTION IS AVAILABLE FOR A SECURITY OR A TRANSACTION MEANS THAT THE SECRETARY OF STATE HAS PASSED IN ANY WAY UPON THE MERITS OR QUALIFICATIONS OF, OR RECOMMENDED OR**

**GIVEN APPROVAL TO, ANY PERSON, SECURITY, OR TRANSACTION. IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE, OR CAUSE TO BE MADE, TO ANY PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER, CUSTOMER, OR CLIENT ANY REPRESENTATION INCONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PARAGRAPH.**

**NOTICE TO CONNECTICUT RESIDENTS**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE CONNECTICUT SECURITIES LAW. THE SECURITIES ARE SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFERABILITY AND SALE.

**NOTICE TO FLORIDA RESIDENTS**

THE SECURITIES OFFERED HEREBY WILL BE SOLD TO, AND ACQUIRED BY, THE HOLDER IN A TRANSACTION EXEMPT UNDER SECTION 517.061 OF THE FLORIDA SECURITIES ACT ("FSA"). THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER SAID ACT IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA. IN ADDITION, IF SALES ARE MADE TO FIVE OR MORE PERSONS IN FLORIDA, ALL FLORIDA PURCHASERS OTHER THAN EXEMPT INSTITUTIONS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 517.061(7) OF THE FSA SHALL HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF VOIDING THE PURCHASE WITHIN THREE (3) DAYS AFTER THE FIRST TENDER OF CONSIDERATION IS MADE BY SUCH PURCHASER TO THE CO-ISSUERS, AN AGENT OF THE CO-ISSUERS, OR AN ESCROW AGENT.

**NOTICE TO GEORGIA RESIDENTS**

THE SECURITIES HAVE BEEN ISSUED OR SOLD IN RELIANCE ON PARAGRAPH (13) OF CODE SECTION 10-5-9 OF THE GEORGIA SECURITIES ACT OF 1973, AND MAY NOT BE SOLD OR TRANSFERRED EXCEPT IN A TRANSACTION WHICH IS EXEMPT UNDER SUCH ACT OR PURSUANT TO AN EFFECTIVE REGISTRATION UNDER SUCH ACT.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF AUSTRALIA**

NO PROSPECTUS, DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT, OFFERING MATERIAL OR ADVERTISEMENT IN RELATION TO THE SECURITIES HAS BEEN LODGED WITH THE AUSTRALIAN SECURITIES AND INVESTMENTS COMMISSION OR THE AUSTRALIAN STOCK EXCHANGE LIMITED. ACCORDINGLY, A PERSON MAY NOT (A) MAKE, OFFER OR INVITE APPLICATIONS FOR THE ISSUE, SALE OR PURCHASE OF THE SECURITIES WITHIN, TO OR FROM AUSTRALIA (INCLUDING AN OFFER OR INVITATION WHICH IS RECEIVED BY A PERSON IN AUSTRALIA) OR (B) DISTRIBUTE OR PUBLISH THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY OTHER PROSPECTUS, DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT, OFFERING MATERIAL OR ADVERTISEMENT RELATING TO THE SECURITIES IN AUSTRALIA, UNLESS (I) THE MINIMUM AGGREGATE CONSIDERATION PAYABLE BY EACH OFFEREE IS THE U.S. DOLLAR EQUIVALENT OF AT LEAST A\$500,000 (DISREGARDING MONEYS LENT BY THE OFFEROR OR ITS ASSOCIATES) OR THE OFFER OTHERWISE DOES NOT REQUIRE DISCLOSURE TO INVESTORS IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 6D.2 OF THE CORPORATIONS ACT 2001 (CWLTH) OF AUSTRALIA; AND (II) SUCH ACTION COMPLIES WITH ALL APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF AUSTRIA**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS NOT A PROSPECTUS UNDER THE AUSTRIAN CAPITAL MARKETS ACT OR THE AUSTRIAN INVESTMENT FUNDS ACT. THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAS NOT BEEN EXAMINED BY A PROSPECTUS AUDITOR AND NO PROSPECTUS ON THE PRIVATE PLACEMENT OF THE SECURITIES HAS BEEN PUBLISHED OR WILL BE PUBLISHED IN AUSTRIA. THE SECURITIES ARE OFFERED IN AUSTRIA ONLY TO A RESTRICTED AND SELECTED NUMBER OF PROFESSIONAL AND SOPHISTICATED INDIVIDUAL INVESTORS, AND NO PUBLIC OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES IN AUSTRIA IS BEING MADE OR IS INTENDED TO BE MADE. THE SECURITIES CAN ONLY BE ACQUIRED FOR A COMMITMENT EXCEEDING €50,000 OR ITS EQUIVALENT VALUE IN ANY FOREIGN CURRENCY.

**NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC OF CAYMAN ISLANDS**

NO INVITATION MAY BE MADE TO THE PUBLIC IN THE CAYMAN ISLANDS TO SUBSCRIBE FOR SECURITIES OF THE ISSUER, AND THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM MAY NOT BE ISSUED OR PASSED TO ANY SUCH PERSON.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AREA**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAS BEEN PREPARED ON THE BASIS THAT ALL OFFERS OF THE SECURITIES WILL BE MADE PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION UNDER THE PROSPECTUS DIRECTIVE, AS IMPLEMENTED IN MEMBER STATES OF THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AREA (THE “EEA”), FROM THE REQUIREMENT TO PRODUCE A PROSPECTUS FOR OFFERS OF THE SECURITIES. ACCORDINGLY ANY PERSON MAKING OR INTENDING TO MAKE ANY OFFER WITHIN THE EEA OF THE SECURITIES SHOULD ONLY DO SO IN CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH NO OBLIGATION ARISES FOR THE CO-ISSUERS, THE INITIAL PURCHASER OR THE PLACEMENT AGENT TO PRODUCE A PROSPECTUS FOR SUCH OFFER. NONE OF THE CO-ISSUERS, THE INITIAL PURCHASER OR THE PLACEMENT AGENT HAS AUTHORISED, NOR DO THEY AUTHORISE, THE MAKING OF ANY OFFER OF THE SECURITIES THROUGH ANY FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARY, OTHER THAN OFFERS MADE BY THE INITIAL PURCHASER OR THE PLACEMENT AGENT WHICH CONSTITUTE THE FINAL PLACEMENT OF THE SECURITIES CONTEMPLATED IN THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF FINLAND**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAS BEEN PREPARED FOR PRIVATE INFORMATION PURPOSES OF INTERESTED INVESTORS ONLY. IT MAY NOT BE USED FOR AND SHALL NOT BE DEEMED A PUBLIC OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES. THE FINNISH FINANCIAL SUPERVISION AUTHORITY (RAHOITUSTARKASTUS) HAS NOT APPROVED THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM AND HAS NOT AUTHORIZED ANY OFFERING OF THE SUBSCRIPTION OF THE SECURITIES; ACCORDINGLY, THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD IN FINLAND OR TO RESIDENTS THEREOF EXCEPT AS PERMITTED BY FINNISH LAW. THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS STRICTLY FOR PRIVATE USE BY ITS HOLDER AND MAY NOT BE PASSED ON TO THIRD PARTIES.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF FRANCE**

*CETTE NOTE D'INFORMATION N'A PAS ÉTÉ SOUMISE AU VISA DE LA COMMISSION DES OPÉRATIONS DE BOURSE. PAR CONSÉQUENT NI CETTE NOTE D'INFORMATION, NI TOUT AUTRE DOCUMENT PROMOTIONNEL SE RAPPORTANT AUX INTÉRÊTS NE POURRONT ÊTRE COMMUNIQUÉS AU PUBLIC OU UTILISÉS DANS LE CADRE OFFRE DE SOUSCRIPTION OU DE VENTE DES INTÉRÊTS EN FRANCE ET LES INTÉRÊTS NE PEUVENT ÊTRE ÉMIS, OFFERTS OU CÉDÉS DE TOUTE FAÇON EN FRANCE.*

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAS NOT BEEN SUBMITTED TO *LA COMMISSION DES OPÉRATIONS DE BOURSE* IN FRANCE. ACCORDINGLY, NEITHER THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM NOR ANY OTHER OFFERING MATERIAL RELATING TO THE SECURITIES MAY BE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC OR USED IN CONNECTION WITH ANY OTHER OFFER FOR SUBSCRIPTION OR SALE OF THE SECURITIES IN FRANCE, AND THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE ISSUED, OFFERED OR OTHERWISE SOLD IN FRANCE.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF GERMANY**

THE SECURITIES MAY ONLY BE ACQUIRED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GERMAN WERTPAPIERPROSPEKTGESETZ (SECURITIES PROSPECTUS ACT) AND THE INVESTMENTGESETZ (INVESTMENT ACT). THE SECURITIES ARE NOT REGISTERED OR AUTHORIZED FOR DISTRIBUTION UNDER THE INVESTMENT ACT AND MAY NOT BE, AND ARE NOT BEING OFFERED OR ADVERTISED PUBLICLY OR OFFERED SIMILARLY UNDER THE INVESTMENT ACT OR THE SECURITIES PROSPECTUS ACT. THEREFORE, THIS OFFER IS ONLY BEING MADE TO RECIPIENTS TO WHOM THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS PERSONALLY ADDRESSED AND DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER OR ADVERTISEMENT TO THE PUBLIC. THE SECURITIES CAN ONLY BE ACQUIRED FOR A MINIMUM PURCHASE PRICE OF AT LEAST €50,000 (EXCLUDING COMMISSIONS AND OTHER FEES) PER PERSON. ALL PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS ARE URGED TO SEEK INDEPENDENT TAX ADVICE. NONE OF THE CO-ISSUERS, THE TRUSTEE, THE SERVICER, THE INITIAL PURCHASER, THE PLACEMENT AGENT OR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES GIVES ANY TAX ADVICE.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE HONG KONG SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE REGION**

THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD IN HONG KONG, BY MEANS OF ANY DOCUMENT OTHER THAN TO PERSONS WHOSE ORDINARY BUSINESS IT IS TO BUY OR SELL SHARES OR DEBENTURES (WHETHER AS PRINCIPAL OR AGENT) OR IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH DO NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO THE PUBLIC WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE (CAP 32). UNLESS PERMITTED TO DO SO UNDER THE SECURITIES LAWS OF HONG KONG, YOU MAY NOT ISSUE OR HAVE IN YOUR POSSESSION FOR THE PURPOSES OF ISSUE, AND WILL NOT ISSUE, OR HAVE IN YOUR POSSESSION FOR THE PURPOSES OF ISSUE, ANY ADVERTISEMENT, INVITATION OR DOCUMENT RELATING TO THE SECURITIES OTHER THAN WITH RESPECT TO SECURITIES INTENDED TO BE DISPOSED OF TO PERSONS OUTSIDE OF HONG KONG OR TO BE DISPOSED OF IN HONG KONG ONLY TO PERSONS WHOSE BUSINESS INVOLVES THE ACQUISITION, DISPOSAL OR HOLDING OF SECURITIES, WHETHER AS PRINCIPAL OR AGENT OR IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH DO NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO THE PUBLIC.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF ISRAEL**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO ISRAELI RESIDENTS ONLY IN A MANNER THAT WILL NOT CONSTITUTE AN “OFFER TO THE PUBLIC” IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTIONS 15 AND 15A OF THE SECURITIES LAW 1968. SPECIFICALLY, THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM MAY ONLY BE DISTRIBUTED TO INVESTORS OF THE TYPES LISTED IN THE FIRST ADDENDUM OF THE SECURITIES LAW 1968 AND IN ADDITION TO NOT MORE THAN 35 OTHER INVESTORS RESIDENT IN ISRAEL DURING ANY GIVEN 12 MONTH PERIOD.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF ITALY**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM MAY NOT BE DISTRIBUTED TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC IN ITALY. THE ITALIAN COMMISSIONE NAZIONALE PER LA SOCIETA E LA BORSA HAS NOT AUTHORIZED ANY OFFERING OF THE SUBSCRIPTION OF THE SECURITIES; ACCORDINGLY, THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD IN ITALY OR TO RESIDENTS THEREOF EXCEPT AS PERMITTED BY ITALIAN LAW.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF JAPAN**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE LAW OF JAPAN (THE “SEL”), AND THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN JAPAN OR TO, OR FOR THE BENEFIT OF, ANY RESIDENT OF JAPAN (INCLUDING JAPANESE CORPORATIONS) OR TO OTHERS FOR RE-OFFERING OR RESALE, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN JAPAN OR TO ANY RESIDENT OF JAPAN, EXCEPT THAT THE OFFER AND SALE OF THE SECURITIES IN JAPAN MAY BE MADE ONLY THROUGH A PRIVATE PLACEMENT SALE IN JAPAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN EXEMPTION AVAILABLE UNDER THE SEL AND WITH ALL OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS OF JAPAN. IN THIS CLAUSE, “**A RESIDENT/RESIDENTS OF JAPAN**” SHALL HAVE THE MEANING AS DEFINED UNDER THE FOREIGN EXCHANGE AND FOREIGN TRADE LAW OF JAPAN.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF KOREA**

NEITHER THE ISSUER NOR THE CO-ISSUER IS MAKING ANY REPRESENTATION, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, WITH RESPECT TO THE QUALIFICATION OF THE RECIPIENTS OF THESE MATERIALS FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE SECURITIES UNDER THE LAWS OF KOREA, INCLUDING AND WITHOUT LIMITATION THE FOREIGN EXCHANGE MANAGEMENT LAW AND REGULATIONS THEREUNDER. THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE LAW OF KOREA AND NONE OF THE SECURITIES MAY BE OFFERED OR SOLD OR DELIVERED, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN KOREA OR TO ANY RESIDENT OF KOREA EXCEPT PURSUANT TO APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS OF KOREA.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF LUXEMBOURG**

THE SECURITIES SHALL NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD TO THE PUBLIC IN THE GRAND DUCHY OF LUXEMBOURG, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, AND NO ADVERTISEMENT OR DOCUMENT OR OTHER MATERIAL MAY BE DISTRIBUTED OR PUBLISHED IN LUXEMBOURG, UNLESS THE REQUIREMENTS OF LUXEMBOURG LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC OFFERING OF SECURITIES HAVE FIRST BEEN MET.

FURTHERMORE, NEITHER THE ISSUER NOR THE CO-ISSUER QUALIFIES AS AN INVESTMENT FUND UNDER LUXEMBOURG LAW.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF NETHERLANDS**

THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN THE NETHERLANDS EXCEPT TO INDIVIDUALS OR ENTITIES WHO OR WHICH TRADE OR INVEST IN SECURITIES IN THE CONDUCT OF A PROFESSION OR BUSINESS WITHIN THE MEANING OF ARTICLE 1 OF THE EXEMPTION REGULATION OF 9 OCTOBER 1990 ISSUED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 14 OF THE INVESTMENT INSTITUTION SUPERVISION ACT (WET TOEZICHT BELEGGINGSINSTELLINGEN OF 27 JUNE 1990) WHICH INCLUDES BANKS, BROKERS, SECURITIES INSTITUTIONS, INSURANCE COMPANIES, PENSION FUNDS, INVESTMENT INSTITUTIONS, OTHER INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS AND OTHER PARTIES, INCLUDING TREASURY DEPARTMENTS OF COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISES AND FINANCE COMPANIES WHICH ARE REGULARLY ACTIVE IN THE FINANCIAL MARKETS IN A PROFESSIONAL MANNER.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF SINGAPORE**

THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD, NOR MAY ANY DOCUMENT OR OTHER MATERIAL IN CONNECTION WITH THE SECURITIES BE DISTRIBUTED, EITHER DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, (I) TO PERSONS IN SINGAPORE OTHER THAN UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH SUCH OFFER OR SALE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER OR SALE OF THE SECURITIES TO THE PUBLIC IN SINGAPORE OR (II) TO THE PUBLIC OR ANY MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC IN SINGAPORE OTHER THAN PURSUANT TO AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONDITIONS OF AN EXEMPTION INVOKED UNDER DIVISION 5A OF PART IV OF THE COMPANIES ACT, CHAPTER 50 OF SINGAPORE AND THE PERSONS TO WHOM THE SECURITIES MAY BE OFFERED AND SOLD UNDER SUCH EXEMPTIONS.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF SPAIN**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED WITH THE *COMISION NACIONAL DEL MERCADO DE VALORES* OF SPAIN AND MAY NOT BE DISTRIBUTED IN SPAIN IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFERING AND SALE OF SECURITIES WITHOUT COMPLYING WITH ALL LEGAL AND REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS IN RELATION THERETO.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF SWITZERLAND**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAS BEEN PREPARED FOR PRIVATE INFORMATION PURPOSES OF INTERESTED INVESTORS ONLY. IT MAY NOT BE USED FOR AND SHALL NOT BE DEEMED A PUBLIC OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES. NO APPLICATION HAS BEEN MADE UNDER SWISS LAW TO PUBLICLY MARKET THE SECURITIES IN OR OUT OF SWITZERLAND. THEREFORE, NO PUBLIC OFFER OF THE SECURITIES OR PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM MAY BE MADE IN OR OUT OF SWITZERLAND. THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS STRICTLY FOR PRIVATE USE BY ITS HOLDER AND MAY NOT BE PASSED ON TO THIRD PARTIES.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF TAIWAN**

THE OFFERING AND SALE OF THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED WITH, OR APPROVED BY THE ROC (TAIWAN) GOVERNMENT. THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE PUBLICLY OFFERED, SOLD OR DELIVERED, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN TAIWAN OR TO ANY RESIDENT OF TAIWAN OR TO OTHERS FOR REOFFERING OR RESALE DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY IN TAIWAN OR TO ANY RESIDENT OF TAIWAN, EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS IN TAIWAN.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM**

EACH OF THE ISSUER, THE CO-ISSUER, THE INITIAL PURCHASER AND THE PLACEMENT AGENT HAS AGREED THAT THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS ONLY BEING DISTRIBUTED TO AND IS ONLY DIRECTED AT (I) PERSONS WHO ARE OUTSIDE THE UNITED KINGDOM, (II) TO INVESTMENT PROFESSIONALS FALLING WITHIN ARTICLE 19(5) OF THE FINANCIAL SERVICES AND MARKETS ACT OF 2000 (“**FSMA**”) (FINANCIAL PROMOTION) ORDER 2005 (THE “**ORDER**”) OR (III) PERSONS FALLING WITHIN ARTICLE 49(2)(A) TO (D) (“HIGH NET WORTH COMPANIES, UNINCORPORATED

ASSOCIATIONS, ETC.”) OF THE ORDER (ALL SUCH PERSONS TOGETHER BEING REFERRED TO AS “**RELEVANT PERSONS**”). THE SECURITIES ARE ONLY AVAILABLE TO AND ANY INVITATION, OFFER, INDUCEMENT OR AGREEMENT TO SUBSCRIBE, PURCHASE OR OTHERWISE ACQUIRE SUCH SECURITIES WILL BE ENGAGED IN ONLY WITH, RELEVANT PERSONS. ANY PERSON WHO IS NOT A RELEVANT PERSON SHOULD NOT ACT OR RELY ON THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY OF ITS CONTENTS.

### **AVAILABLE INFORMATION**

To permit compliance with Rule 144A under the Securities Act (“**Rule 144A**”) in connection with the sale of the Securities, the Issuer (and, solely in the case of the Senior Notes, the Co-Issuers) under the Indenture referred to under “Description of the Securities” and the Preference Share Documents will be required to furnish upon request of a holder of a Security to such holder and a prospective purchaser designated by such holder the information required to be delivered under Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act if at the time of the request the Co-Issuers are not reporting companies under Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “**Exchange Act**”), or exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act. Such information may be obtained directly from the Issuer or through the paying agent in Ireland at the address set forth on the final page of this Offering Memorandum.

### **INFORMATION AS TO SALE WITHIN THE UNITED STATES**

This Offering Memorandum is highly confidential and has been prepared by the Co-Issuers solely for use in connection with this offering. This Offering Memorandum is personal to each offeree to whom it has been delivered by the Co-Issuers, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent or Affiliates thereof and does not constitute an offer to any other person or to the public generally to subscribe for or otherwise acquire the Securities. Distribution of this Offering Memorandum to any persons other than the offeree and those persons, if any, retained to advise such offeree with respect thereto is unauthorized and any disclosure of any of its contents, without the prior written consent of the Issuer, is prohibited. Each prospective purchaser in the United States, by accepting delivery of this Offering Memorandum, agrees to the foregoing and to make no copies of this Offering Memorandum or any documents related hereto and, if the offeree does not purchase Securities or the offering is terminated, to return this Offering Memorandum and all documents attached hereto to Citigroup Global Markets Inc. at 390 Greenwich Street., 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10013, Attention: CDO Group.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, each prospective purchaser of the Securities (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) are hereby permitted to disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions described herein. For this purpose, the tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction, and the tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction.

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**SUMMARY OF TERMS**

*The following summary of terms does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by, and should be read in conjunction with, the more detailed information appearing elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum and the documents referred to in this Offering Memorandum. A Glossary and an Index of Defined Terms appear at the back of this Offering Memorandum.*

**Principal Terms of the Securities**

	<b>Class A-1 Notes</b>	<b>Class A-2a Notes</b>	<b>Class A-2b Notes</b>	<b>Class A-3 Notes</b>	<b>Class B Notes</b>	<b>Class C Notes</b>	<b>Class D Notes</b>	<b>Class I Preference Shares</b>	<b>Class II Preference Shares</b>
<b>Type</b>	Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Extendable	Extendable
<b>Issuer(s)</b>	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Issuer	Issuer	Issuer
<b>Principal Amount / Face Amount (U.S.\$)</b>	\$100,000,000	\$825,600,000	\$206,000,000	\$78,500,000	\$81,500,000	\$68,500,000	\$48,000,000	\$61,500,000 <sup>1</sup>	\$62,000,000 <sup>1</sup>
<b>Expected Moody's Initial Rating</b>	"Aaa"	"Aaa"	"Aa1"	"Aa2"	"A2"	"Baa2"	"Ba2"	N/A	N/A
<b>Expected S&amp;P Initial Rating</b>	"AAA"	"AAA"	"AAA"	"AA"	"A"	"BBB"	"BB"	N/A	N/A
<b>Note Interest Rate</b>	LIBOR + 0.25%	LIBOR + 0.23%	LIBOR + 0.33%	LIBOR + 0.40%	LIBOR + 0.70%	LIBOR + 1.50%	LIBOR + 3.60%	N/A	N/A
<b>Stated Maturity / Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date<sup>2</sup></b>	May 1, 2022	May 1, 2022	May 1, 2022	May 1, 2022	May 1, 2022	May 1, 2022	May 1, 2022	May 1, 2022	May 1, 2022
<b>Minimum Denominations (U.S.\$) / Number (Integral Multiples)</b>	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	N/A	N/A
<b>Priority Class</b>	None	None	A-2a	A-1, A-2	A-1, A-2, A-3	A-1, A-2, A-3A, B	A-1, A-2, A-3, B, C	A-1, A-2, A-3, B, C, D	A-1, A-2, A-3, B, C, D
<b>Junior Class</b>	A-3, B, C, D, Preference Shares	A-2b, A-3, B, C, D, Preference Shares	A-3, B, C, D, Preference Shares	B, C, D, Preference Shares	C, D, Preference Shares	D, Preference Shares	Preference Shares	None	None
<b>Deferred Interest Notes</b>	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A

<sup>1</sup> The Preference Shares will be issued with a Face Amount of U.S.\$1,000 per share.

<sup>2</sup> The Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares are subject to multiple extensions to the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (in the case of the Notes) and the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (in the case of the Preference Shares), if the Issuer provides timely notice and the Extension Conditions are satisfied. See "Risk Factors—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary," "—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected," "Maturity and Prepayment Considerations" and "Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date."

Eastland CLO, Ltd. (the “**Issuer**”) and Eastland CLO Corp. (the “**Co-Issuer**” and, together with the Issuer, the “**Co-Issuers**”) will issue the Class A-1 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2022 (the “**Class A-1 Notes**”), the Class A-2a Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2022 (the “**Class A-2a Notes**”), the Class A-2b Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2022 (the “**Class A-2b Notes**”) and, together with the Class A-2a Notes, the “**Class A-2 Notes**”), the Class A-3 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2022 (the “**Class A-3 Notes**” and, together with the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes, the “**Class A Notes**”), the Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2022 (the “**Class B Notes**”) and the Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2022 (the “**Class C Notes**” and, together with the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes, the “**Senior Notes**”), and the Issuer will issue the Class D Floating Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2022 (the “**Class D Notes**” and, together with the Senior Notes, the “**Notes**”), the Class I Preference Shares (the “**Class I Preference Shares**”) and the Class II Preference Shares (the “**Class II Preference Shares**” and, together with the Class I Preference Shares, the “**Preference Shares**” and, together with the Notes, the “**Securities**”), U.S.\$0.01 par value per share.

The Senior Notes will be non-recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuers. The Class D Notes will be non-recourse debt obligations of the Issuer. The Notes will be issued pursuant to an indenture, dated as of the Closing Date (the “**Indenture**”), among the Co-Issuers and Investors Bank & Trust Company, as Trustee (the “**Trustee**”).

The Preference Shares will be part of the issued share capital of the Issuer and, accordingly, will not be secured obligations of the Issuer. Investors Bank & Trust Company will act as the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the Preference Shares and will perform various administrative services pursuant to a Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date (the “**Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement**”) by and between the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

The Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares will be identical in respect of rights to distributions except that the Class II Preference Shares (i) are entitled to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments until (and including) the Payment Date in February 2008 (after the Payment Date in February 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be

paid by the Issuer as Class II Preference Share Special Payments) and (ii) have total control with respect to the appointment and removal of the directors of the Issuer as long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is higher than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date. See “Description of the Securities—The Issuer Charter—Voting Rights.”

Payments to each Holder of the Notes of each Class shall be made ratably among the Holders of the Notes of that Class in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes of such Class held by each Holder. Payments to each Holder of the Preference Shares shall be made ratably among the Holders of the Preference Shares in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Preference Shares held by each Holder (*provided* that the Class II Preference Share Special Payments shall be paid solely to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class II Preference Shares held by each Holder).

The Class A-1 Notes and Class A-2 Notes will rank *pari passu* in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date (*provided* that amounts allocated to the payment of the Class A-2 Notes will be paid, first, to the Class A-2a Notes and, second, to the Class A-2b Notes); the Class A-1 Notes and Class A-2 Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares; the Class A-3 Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares; the Class B Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares; the Class C Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares; the Class D Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Preference Shares; and the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares will rank *pari passu* in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date except that any payments to the Holders of Class II Preference Shares of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments will have priority to the extent provided under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

The Securities and certain other obligations of the Co-Issuers will have the priorities of payment described under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

**Co-Issuers .....** The Issuer has been incorporated and exists as an exempted limited liability company under the laws of the Cayman Islands. The Issuer’s activities are limited to acquiring Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, entering into any Hedge Agreements, issuing the Securities and entering into certain related transactions. The Issuer has been established as a special purpose vehicle for the purpose of issuing asset-backed securities.

The Co-Issuer is organized as a corporation under the laws of the State of Delaware for the sole purpose of co-issuing the Senior Notes. The Co-Issuer has been established as a special purpose vehicle for the purpose of issuing asset-backed securities.

The Issuer will not have any significant assets other than Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, any Hedge Agreements and certain other eligible assets. The Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, the rights of the Issuer under any Hedge Agreements and other collateral will be pledged to the Trustee as security for, among other things, the Issuer’s obligations under the Notes.

The Co-Issuer is not expected to have any significant assets and will not pledge any assets to secure the Senior Notes.

**Investors Corp.....** On the Closing Date, Eastland Investors Corp. (“**Investors Corp.**”), an exempted limited liability corporation incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands, is expected to purchase all of the Class I Preference Shares and to finance such purchase by issuing preference shares (the “**Holding Preference Shares**”) with the number of Holding Preference Shares equal to the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares purchased by it. Investors Corp. will also be issuing U.S.\$5,000,000 Class P Securities Due 2022 (the “**Class P Securities**”) which shall consist of (i) a Holding Preference Share component (the “**Holding Preference Share Component**”) entitling its holders to rights in respect of 1,917 Holding Preference Shares and (ii) a component entitling its holders to receive proceeds from a trust account initially holding a United States Treasury strip security due February 15, 2017 (the “**Collateral Component**”). The Holding Securities will be offered by Investors Corp. to investors pursuant to a separate offering memorandum (the “**Investors Corp. Offering Memorandum**”) and are not offered hereby.

Investors Corp. will exercise its consent and voting rights, in its capacity as a Holder of the Class I Preference Shares, in accordance with the directions of the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares; *provided* that Holding Preference Shares held by the Servicer or any of its Affiliates will have no such right to direct Investors Corp. in connection with the removal of the Servicer for “cause” or the appointment of a replacement

servicer. For purposes of calculating such consents or votes exercised with respect to the Class I Preference Shares held by Investors Corp., each consent or vote exercised with respect to a Holding Preference Share will count as one consent or vote exercised with respect to a Class I Preference Share held by Investors Corp., as applicable. Holders of the Class P Securities will have voting rights to the extent of the Holding Preference Share Component thereof.

**Trustee .....** Investors Bank & Trust Company will act as the Trustee under the Indenture on behalf of the Holders of the Notes.

**Servicer .....** Certain servicing and administrative functions with respect to the Collateral will be performed by Highland Capital Management, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("**Highland Capital**" or, in such capacity, the "**Servicer**"), pursuant to the Servicing Agreement, which may be amended from time to time without the consent of the Holders of the Securities. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Servicing Agreement" and "The Servicing Agreement."

On the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase certain of the Class C Notes having an aggregate principal amount equal to U.S.\$11,000,000, certain of the Class D Notes having an aggregate principal amount equal to U.S.\$9,000,000 and all of the Class II Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S. \$62,000,000, in each case, at a discounted purchase price and (ii) Highland Capital or one or more of its Affiliates (other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries) are expected to purchase certain of the Holding Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$11,583,000 at a discounted purchase price. See "Plan of Distribution."

The Share Registrar will record in the register maintained by it which Preference Shares are held by HFP or any of its subsidiaries. Such Preference Shares will be designated by the Share Registrar as Class II Preference Shares. HFP and/or its subsidiaries that purchase Class II Preference Shares will agree not to transfer any of the Class II Preference Shares to any Person other than Investors Corp. Any transfer of Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to Investors Corp. will require redesignation by the Share Registrar of such Class II Preference Shares as Class I Preference Shares. Investors Corp. will finance the purchase of any Class II Preference Shares to be redesignated in connection with such transfer by issuing additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such Class II Preference Shares. Any transfer of Class I Preference Shares to HFP or any of its subsidiaries from Investors Corp. will require redesignation by the Share Registrar

of such Class I Preference Shares as Class II Preference Shares.

The Servicer or its Affiliates may also acquire Securities upon the occurrence of the Amendment Buy-Out Option or in connection with a Refinancing. In addition, the Servicer or its Affiliates may acquire all or any portion of any Extension Sale Securities in connection with a Maturity Extension. See “The Servicer,” “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities,” “—Relating to the Servicer” and “—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer,” “Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out,” “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Redemption by Refinancing,” “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date” and “The Servicing Agreement.”

**Closing Date** ..... March 13, 2007.

**Use of Proceeds** ..... The gross proceeds of the offering of the Securities received on the Closing Date are expected to equal approximately \$1,531,600,000, and will be used by the Issuer to:

- purchase a portfolio of Collateral Obligations;
- fund a trust account for Revolving Loans (the “**Revolving Reserve Account**”) and a trust account for Delayed Drawdown Loans (the “**Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account**”) to cover any future draws on Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans;
- enter into any Hedge Agreements, as applicable;
- enter into any Synthetic Security Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the related accounts);
- repurchase participations sold to the Pre-Closing Parties to finance the Issuer’s pre-closing acquisition of Collateral Obligations;
- fund the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account;
- pay certain expenses related to the transaction; and
- undertake certain related activities.

See “Use of Proceeds.”

**Payment Dates.....** Payment of interest on, and principal of, the Notes will be made by the Issuer in U.S. Dollars on the first day of each February, May, August and November of each year (or if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day), commencing August 1, 2007, to the extent of available cash flow in respect of the Collateral in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

**Hedge Agreements.....** At any time and from time to time on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall enter into the Hedge Agreements and will assign its rights (but none of its obligations) under the Hedge Agreements to the Trustee. See “Hedge Agreements.”

**Interest Payments and  
Distributions from Interest  
Proceeds.....**

The Notes will accrue interest from the Closing Date. Interest on the Notes will be payable, to the extent of funds available therefor, on each Payment Date.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of interest due on such Class of Deferred Interest Notes that is not available to be paid (“**Deferred Interest**”) in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered “payable” for the purposes of the Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for such Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest), until paid. See “Description of the Securities—Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Preference Shares from Interest Proceeds,” “—Priority of Payments” and “—The Indenture—Events of Default.”

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Interest Proceeds as described under clauses (22) and (24) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds;” *provided* that, in lieu of payment of such Interest Proceeds, in whole or in part, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, will have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute on any Payment Date Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the



Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be distributed on the relevant Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be increased accordingly. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” and “—Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement—Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities.”

In addition, on each Payment Date until (and including) the Payment Date in February 2008, Holders of the Class II Preference Shares are entitled to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments. After the Payment Date in February 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be distributed by the Issuer to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. Any Class II Preference Share Special Payment will be paid by the Issuer in accordance with the Priority of Payments described under clauses (3), (20) and (23) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

**Principal Payments and  
Distributions from Principal  
Proceeds.....**

The Notes will mature at par on the Payment Date in May 2022 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (the “**Stated Maturity**”) and the Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed at the Redemption Price thereof by the Issuer on the Payment Date in May 2022 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (the “**Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**”), in each case unless redeemed or (in the case of the Notes) repaid in full prior thereto. The average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years from issuance until Stated Maturity for such Notes. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary,” “—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected” and “Maturity and

Prepayment Considerations.”

In general, principal payments will not be made on the Notes before the end of the Replacement Period, except in the following circumstances:

- in connection with an Optional Redemption;
- at the option of the Servicer, to effect a Special Redemption of the Notes;
- in connection with a Refinancing;
- pursuant to a redemption made in connection with a Tax Event; or
- following a mandatory redemption of the Notes caused by a failure to meet any of the Coverage Tests or a Rating Confirmation Failure.

See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments,” “—Optional Redemption,” “—Special Redemption of the Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture,” “Optional Redemption—Redemption by Refinancing,” “—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes” and “Security for the Notes—Ramp-Up.”

No payments of principal will be made on the Class A-3 Notes until the principal of the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes has been paid *pro rata* in full (*provided* that amounts allocated to the payment of the Class A-2 Notes will be paid, first, to the Class A-2a Notes and, second, to the Class A-2b Notes). No payments of principal will be made on the Class B Notes until the principal of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class C Notes until the principal of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class B Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class D Notes until the principal of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes has been paid in full (other than with respect to the use of Interest Proceeds to pay principal of the Class D Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class D Coverage Tests). However, Principal Proceeds may be used to pay Deferred Interest and other amounts before the payment of principal of the Notes. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

No principal of any Class of Notes will be payable on any Payment Date other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and to the extent funds are available therefor on that Payment Date for that purpose, except that the principal of each Class of Notes will be payable in full at the Stated Maturity, unless repaid before that.

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares (including, with respect to the Class II Preference Shares, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Principal Proceeds as described under clauses (12)(A), (15) and (16) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

For a description of the relative priority of payments and level of subordination of the Securities and certain fees, expenses and other liabilities of the Co-Issuers, see “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

**Extension of the Replacement  
Period, the Stated Maturity and  
the Scheduled Preference Shares  
Redemption Date .....**

The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Replacement Period to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date up to a maximum of four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. For purposes of the foregoing, “**Extension Effective Date**” means if an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extension Effective Date (or, in the case of the first Extension Effective Date, the Payment Date in February 2012) and “**Extended Replacement Period End Date**” means, if an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Replacement Period End Date (or, in the case of the first Extension, the Payment Date in May 2018); *provided* that the “Extended Replacement Period End Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in May 2030.

If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date shall automatically be extended to the Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date and the

Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Securities or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents (the “**Maturity Extension**”); *provided* that the Issuer will not be permitted to effect more than four Maturity Extensions. For purposes of the foregoing, “**Extended Stated Maturity Date**” means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Stated Maturity Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Payment Date in May 2026, “**Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**” means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, May 1, 2026) and “**Extended Weighted Average Life Date**” means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Weighted Average Life Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Weighted Average Life Date, May 1, 2021); *provided* that the “Extended Stated Maturity Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in May 2038, the “Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in May 2038 and the “Extended Weighted Average Life Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in May 2033.

As a condition to a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes or Preference Shares will have the right to offer to sell their Notes or Preference Shares to one or more Extension Qualifying Purchasers for purchase on the applicable Extension Effective Date.

If all Extension Conditions are satisfied and a Maturity Extension is effected, each Noteholder, other than Holders of Extension Sale Securities, will be entitled to receive the applicable Extension Bonus Payment, to the extent of available funds and as provided in the Priority of Payments. Holders of Preference Shares will not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary,” “—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected,” “Maturity and Prepayment Considerations,” and “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date.”

**Security for the Notes .....** The Notes will be secured by a portfolio having an Aggregate Principal Balance following the Ramp-Up Period of approximately U.S.\$1,500,000,000 (in principal amount) and

consisting primarily of Collateral Obligations and certain other debt securities, in each case having the characteristics set forth herein. The Notes will also be secured by funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, the Issuer's rights under any Hedge Agreements, any Securities Lending Agreements, the Servicing Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement. See "Security for the Notes."

The Preference Shares are unsecured equity interests in the Issuer.

**Collateral Ramp-Up Period .....** The Issuer expects that, as of the Closing Date, it will have purchased (or entered into commitments to purchase) Collateral Obligations to be included in the anticipated portfolio such that the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator will be at least U.S.\$1,500,000,000 as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date. The "**Ramp-Up Completion Date**" is the earlier of (i) the Business Day after the 90<sup>th</sup> day after the Closing Date, and (ii) the first day on which the following conditions are satisfied (x) either (A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least U.S.\$1,500,000,000 or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer with proceeds from the sale of the Securities (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be) equals at least U.S.\$ 1,500,000,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date) and (y) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least U.S.\$ 1,500,000,000.

In anticipation of the issuance of the Securities, one or more Affiliates of Citigroup Global Markets Inc. ("**CGMI**" or in such capacity, the "**Pre-Closing Parties**") are financing the acquisition of Collateral Obligations by the Issuer pursuant to confirmations entered into by or on behalf of the Issuer confirming the Issuer's commitment to purchase such Loans during the Accumulation Period. 100% participation in each such Collateral Obligation has been acquired (and will be acquired) by the applicable Pre-Closing Party concurrently with the acquisition of each such Collateral Obligation by the Issuer for a purchase price equal to the purchase price paid by the Issuer for the related Collateral Obligation. On the Closing Date, each eligible Collateral Obligation acquired by the applicable Pre-Closing Party will be repurchased by the Issuer with proceeds of the offering in an amount equal to the purchase price minus any distributions of principal on the obligation received by the applicable Pre-Closing Party. The Servicer or one or more of

its Affiliates on the one hand and CGMI and one or more of its Affiliates on the other hand will each be entitled to retain 50% of the interest and any fees and commissions (net of any financing fees payable to the Pre-Closing Parties) paid by the obligors of such Collateral Obligations or accrued from the time of purchase to the Closing Date. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Collateral Obligations—A Substantial Amount of Collateral Obligations Was Acquired Before the Closing Date, and the Terms of the Acquisition May Adversely Affect the Issuer.”

See “Security for the Notes—Ramp-Up.”

**Replacement Period; Acquisition  
of Replacement Collateral**

**Obligations .....** During the Replacement Period, the Issuer may generally (and subject to certain requirements) use Principal Proceeds received with respect to the Collateral to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria (which Eligibility Criteria include requirements that an item of Collateral purchased by the Issuer meet the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and that the portfolio of Collateral Obligations be in compliance with the Concentration Limitations to the extent provided in the Eligibility Criteria). See “—Collateral Obligations,” “—Concentration Limitations” and “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.”

The “**Replacement Period**” will be the period from the Closing Date through and including the first to occur of:

- (i) the Payment Date after the date that the Servicer notifies the Trustee, each Rating Agency and the Administrator, in the sole discretion of the Servicer, that, in light of the composition of the Collateral, general market conditions, and other factors, the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations within the foreseeable future would be impractical;
- (ii) the Payment Date in May 2014 or, in the case of an Extension, the Extended Replacement Period End Date;
- (iii) the Payment Date on which all Notes are to be optionally redeemed or an earlier date after notice of an Optional Redemption chosen by the Servicer to facilitate the liquidation of the Collateral for the Optional Redemption; and
- (iv) the date on which the Replacement Period terminates or is terminated as a result of an Event of Default (subject to the terms of the Indenture).

No acquisition of Collateral Obligations will be made after the termination of the Replacement Period, except that (x) Unscheduled Principal Payments and (y) Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations may be used to purchase Collateral Obligations after the Replacement Period subject to the limitations described under “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria” and “—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations.” After the termination of the Replacement Period, all Principal Proceeds (other than Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations) must be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, no acquisition or disposition of a Collateral Obligation or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) shall be effected by or on behalf of the Issuer for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes.

- Collateral Obligations** ..... Any obligation or security (a “**Collateral Obligation**”) that, when the Issuer commits to purchase (or otherwise acquire) the obligation or security, is a Loan, High-Yield Bond, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that is a Loan, a Structured Finance Obligation or High-Yield Bond that is:
- (i) denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars and is not convertible by its obligor into any other currency;
  - (ii) an obligation of an obligor Domiciled in an Eligible Country;
  - (iii) an obligation that is eligible by its terms to be assigned to the Issuer and pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral;
  - (iv) not an exchangeable or convertible security;
  - (v) not an equity security or a component of an equity security or a security that has a component that is an equity security (other than for avoidance of doubt, a pass-through trust certificate in a trust holding Collateral Obligations);
  - (vi) not an obligation or security that has been called for redemption and is not an obligation or security that is the subject of an Offer other than a Permitted Offer or an exchange offer in which a security that is not registered under the Securities Act is exchanged for (a) a security that has substantially identical terms

(except for transfer restrictions) but is registered under the Securities Act or (b) a security that would otherwise qualify for purchase under the Eligibility Criteria;

- (vii) an obligation that (a) has a Moody's Rating (including any estimated or confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored) and (b) has an S&P Rating (including any confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored), which S&P Rating does not have a "p", "pi", "q", "r" or "t" subscript unless S&P otherwise authorizes in writing;
- (viii) an obligation that is a Finance Lease (if it is a lease) and the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;
- (ix) (a) an obligation that is not a Current-Pay Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation and (b) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that has a Moody's Rating of "Caa1" or lower or an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower, an obligation for which the Servicer has certified in writing that such Collateral Obligation is not a Credit Risk Obligation;
- (x) an obligation that (unless it is a High-Yield Bond) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness for borrowed money of the applicable issuer; *provided* that for the avoidance of doubt, this clause shall not prohibit the inclusion as Collateral Obligations of Subordinated Lien Loans or Second Lien Loans;
- (xi) an obligation that (a) (unless it is a PIK Security) bears simple interest payable in cash no less frequently than annually at a fixed or floating rate that is paid on a periodic basis on an unleveraged basis and, in the case of a floating rate, computed on a benchmark interest rate plus or minus a spread, if any (which may vary under the terms of the obligation) and (b) provides for a fixed amount of principal payable in cash according to a fixed schedule (which may include optional call dates) or at maturity (or a fixed notional amount in the case of Synthetic Securities);
- (xii) an obligation the payment or repayment of the principal, if any, of which is not an amount determined by reference to any formula or index or subject to any



contingency under the terms thereof;

- (xiii) an obligation the portion of which to be acquired (including through a Synthetic Security with respect to the Reference Obligation) does not represent, directly or indirectly, more than a 25% interest in the obligation;
- (xiv) not an obligation with a maturity later than two years after the Stated Maturity of the Notes;
- (xv) an obligation upon which no payments are subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the obligor thereof or counterparty with respect thereto is required to make “gross-up” payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax on an after-tax basis (other than withholding taxes with respect to commitment fees associated with Collateral Obligations constituting Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans);
- (xvi) not a Loan or Synthetic Security that would require the Issuer after its purchase of the Loan or Synthetic Security to advance any funds to the related borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty or permit the borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty to require that any future advances be made except for:
  - (A) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the Issuer deposits into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, respectively, the maximum amount of any advances that may be required of the Issuer under the related Underlying Instrument (as provided in the Indenture); and
  - (B) any Synthetic Security if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Synthetic Security, the Issuer posts cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) the Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer’s purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of any future advances;
- (xvii) if such obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation, such obligation:
  - (A) has been assigned a rating by both Moody’s and

S&P;

- (B) has a Moody's Rating of "Ba3" or higher and an S&P Rating of "BB-" or higher; and
- (C) has not been placed on the watch list for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P;
- (xviii) not a Loan that is an obligation of a debtor in possession or a trustee for a debtor in an insolvency proceeding other than a DIP Loan;
- (xix) with respect to an obligation that provides for the payment of interest at a floating rate, an obligation for which such floating rate is determined by reference to the U.S. Dollar prime rate or other base rate, London interbank offered rate or similar interbank offered rate, commercial deposit rate or any other index that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto;
- (xx) in the case of a Synthetic Security, the Synthetic Security is one for which the counterparty or issuer, as the case may be, has a short-term debt rating by Moody's of at least "P-1" or long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" and, if rated "A3" by Moody's, such rating is not on watch for downgrade, and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "AA-" or a short term debt rating by S&P of at least "A-1+";
- (xxi) not an obligation that constitutes Margin Stock;
- (xxii) not a Zero-Coupon Security;
- (xxiii) not an obligation that is currently deferring interest or paying interest "in kind" or otherwise has an interest "in kind" balance outstanding at the time of purchase, which interest is otherwise payable in cash, unless the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;
- (xxiv) not a security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer;
- (xxv) not an obligation the interest payments of which are scheduled to decrease (although interest payments may decrease due to unscheduled events such as a decrease of the index relating to a Floating Rate Obligation, the change from a default rate of interest to a non-default rate of interest or an improvement in the obligor's financial condition); and

(xxvi) not an obligation that will cause the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the pool of assets to be required to be registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act.

Pursuant to the definition of “Synthetic Security,” unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any “deliverable obligation” that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any “credit event” must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such “deliverable obligation” is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any “credit event”) as a Collateral Obligation, except that such “deliverable obligation” may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a “credit event.”

See “Security for the Notes—Collateral Obligations” and “—Eligibility Criteria.”

**Concentration Limitations**..... Upon a purchase of a Collateral Obligation, the Eligibility Criteria require that each of the limits set forth below with respect to a particular type of Relevant Obligation (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) as a percentage of the Maximum Amount (the “**Concentration Limitations**”) is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced:

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(1) Senior Secured Loans and Eligible Investments	≥87.5%
(2) unsecured Loans	≤ 3.0%
(3) Subordinated Lien Loans and Second Lien Loans	≤ 10.0%
(4) Revolving Loans and the unfunded portion of Delayed Drawdown Loans	≤12.0%
(5) DIP Loans	≤ 5.0%
(a) except that with a Rating Confirmation, DIP Loans may constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 7.5%
(6) S&P Unrated DIP Loans	≤2.5%
(7) PIK Securities	≤ 3.0%
(8) High-Yield Bonds	≤ 7.5%
(9) Structured Finance Obligations	≤ 10.0%
(a) except that Structured Finance Obligations serviced by the Servicer may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 2.5%
(b) except that a single issuer together with any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) of a Structured Finance Obligation may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 3.0%
(10) Structured Finance Obligations that are collateralized loan obligations	≤ 7.5%

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(11) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States and Canada	≤ 20.0%
(12) obligors Domiciled in Canada or any single Moody's Group I Country	≤ 10.0%
(13) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group II Country	≤ 5.0%
(14) obligors Domiciled in all Moody's Group II Countries in the aggregate	≤ 10.0%
(15) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group III Country	≤ 2.5%
(16) obligors Domiciled in all Moody's Group III Countries in the aggregate	≤ 5.0%
(17) obligors organized in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction	≤ 5.0%
(18) same S&P Industry Classification	≤ 8.0%
(a) except that Relevant Obligations belonging to two S&P Industry Classifications may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 12.0%
(19) single issuer and any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties)	≤ 1.5%
(a) except that up to each of five individual issuers and any of their Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 2.5%
(20) Fixed Rate Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(21) Pay interest less frequently than quarterly but no less frequently than semi-annually	≤ 7.5%
(22) Pay interest less frequently than semi-annually but no less frequently than annually	≤ 3.0%
(23) Synthetic Securities	≤ 20.0%
(a) except that Synthetic Securities that provide for settlement other than by physical delivery may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 5.0%
(b) except that Synthetic Securities that reference a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 5.0%
(24) Participations ( <i>provided</i> that no Relevant Obligations may be a Participation in a Participation)	≤ 20.0%
(25) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, in the aggregate may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 20.0%
(26) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, a single Secondary Risk Counterparty	≤ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Individual Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating*
(27) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, all Secondary Risk Counterparties	≤ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Aggregate"

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
	Counterparty Limit** for applicable rating**
(28) Deep Discount Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(29) CCC+/Caa1 and below Collateral Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(30) Long-Dated Collateral Obligations	≤ 2.0%
(31) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements	≤ 15.0%
(32) Collateral Obligations providing for interest at a non-London interbank offered rate (excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, the unfunded amount of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan)	≤ 5.0%
(33) Collateral Obligations that are Loans that are part of a credit facility with a total global aggregate commitment amount of less than \$75,000,000	≤ 10.0%

\* Applicable long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P of such Secondary Risk Counterparty (using the limit for the lower of such ratings if different).

\*\* Long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P at or below a level specified in the Secondary Risk Table (using the lower of such ratings for a Secondary Risk Counterparty, if different).

Subject to the rights in certain circumstances of the Servicer to determine otherwise as set out in the Indenture, solely for the purpose of determining whether the Concentration Limitations are met, Eligible Investments and Cash will be treated as Senior Secured Loans and Floating Rate Obligations.

See "Security For the Notes—Eligibility Criteria."

### Coverage Tests and the Retention

#### Overcollateralization Test.....

The "Coverage Tests" will consist of the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Tests. In addition, the Retention Overcollateralization Test, which is not a Coverage Test, will apply as described herein. See "Security For the Notes—The Coverage Tests—The Overcollateralization Tests" and "—The Interest Coverage Tests" for the formulations of these tests, which are highly detailed. The ratios on which they are based are also described under such headings. The tests will be used to determine, among other things, whether (i) Notes will be redeemed in certain circumstances as described under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments" and (ii) in the case of the Coverage Tests, Collateral Obligations may be acquired as described under "Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria."

There will not be any Coverage Test applicable to the Preference Shares.

*The Overcollateralization Tests.....* The Overcollateralization Tests will consist of the “**Class A Overcollateralization Test**,” the “**Class B Overcollateralization Test**,” the “**Class C Overcollateralization Test**” and the “**Class D Overcollateralization Test**.” Each Overcollateralization Test will be satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes if, as of any Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the specified required level for the specified Class indicated in the table below:

Test	Required Level
Class A Overcollateralization Test	113.0%
Class B Overcollateralization Test	108.1%
Class C Overcollateralization Test	105.5%
Class D Overcollateralization Test	102.5%

*The Interest Coverage Tests .....* The Interest Coverage Tests will consist of the “**Class A Interest Coverage Test**,” the “**Class B Interest Coverage Test**,” the “**Class C Interest Coverage Test**” and the “**Class D Interest Coverage Test**.” Each Interest Coverage Test will be satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level specified in the table below for the specified Class:

Test	Required Level
Class A Interest Coverage Test	120.0%
Class B Interest Coverage Test	115.0%
Class C Interest Coverage Test	110.0%
Class D Interest Coverage Test	105.0%

*Retention Overcollateralization Test.* A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date during the Replacement Period on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Retention Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 103.5%.

**Collateral Quality Tests .....** The Collateral Quality Tests will be used primarily as criteria for purchasing Collateral Obligations. See “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.” The “**Collateral Quality Tests**” will consist of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Life Test, the Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread

	Test, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the S&P CDO Monitor Test, as described below.
<i>Diversity Test</i> .....	The Diversity Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date, if the Diversity Score equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score.
<i>S&amp;P CDO Monitor Test</i> .....	The S&P CDO Monitor Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive.
<i>Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test</i> .....	The Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 7.5%.
<i>Weighted Average Life Test</i> .....	The Weighted Average Life Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the greater of (a) the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and May 1, 2017 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date and (b) 3 years.
<i>Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test</i> .....	The Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 43.2%.
<i>Weighted Average Rating Factor Test</i> .....	The Weighted Average Rating Factor Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date, if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of such Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor.
<i>Weighted Average S&amp;P Recovery Rate Test</i> .....	The Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate for each Class of Notes is greater than or equal to: (i) with respect to the Class A-1 Notes, 52.4%; (ii) with respect to the Class A-2 Notes, 52.4%; (iii) with respect to the Class A-3 Notes, 56.0%; (iv) with respect to the Class B Notes, 59.6%; (v) with respect to the Class C Notes, 62.4% and (vi) with respect to the Class D Notes, 65.1%.

*Weighted Average Spread Test*..... The Weighted Average Spread Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread.

See “Security for the Notes—The Collateral Quality Tests.”

**Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

**for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests**..... If any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the last day of any Due Period (each, a “**Determination Date**”), funds will be used pursuant to the Priority of Payments to redeem the Notes to the extent necessary for such failing Coverage Tests to be satisfied that would otherwise be used:

- (i) to purchase additional Collateral Obligations during the Replacement Period; or
- (ii) to make interest and principal payments on the Notes and to make dividend or redemption payments in respect of the Preference Shares.

See “Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests.”

**Certain Consequences of Failure to Satisfy the Retention**

**Overcollateralization Test**..... If during the Replacement Period, the Retention Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on any Determination Date, certain funds, as described under clause (18) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds,” representing Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be used to make payments on the Preference Shares and pay certain subordinated expenses of the Issuer, will be deposited instead into the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds to the extent necessary to cause the Retention Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as of that Determination Date after application of Principal Proceeds as described under clause (1) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

**Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

**Upon Rating Confirmation Failure**..... The Issuer will (i) provide certain information to S&P and Moody’s with respect to the Collateral Obligations, as required by the Indenture and described herein and (ii) request S&P to confirm in writing, by the Business Day after the 29<sup>th</sup> day after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that it has not reduced, suspended or withdrawn the Initial Rating of any Class of Notes and that it has not placed any Class of Notes on credit watch with negative implications. If the Trustee either (i) does not receive evidence of



confirmation from S&P, or (ii) receives a written notice from Moody's that it has reduced, suspended or withdrawn the Initial Rating of any Class of Notes or that it has placed any Class of Notes on credit watch with negative implications, in each case, before the Business Day following the 29-day period (each such event, a "**Rating Confirmation Failure**"), all Interest Proceeds remaining after payment of amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (16) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" will be used to pay principal of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes sequentially in order of their priority on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date thereafter until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. If necessary, after the foregoing payments are made out of Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds in accordance with clause (11) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds" will be used to pay principal of each Class of the Notes sequentially in order of their priority on each Payment Date until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. See "Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure."

**Non-Call Period** ..... The period from the Closing Date to but not including the Payment Date in August 2011 (the "**Non-Call Period**").

**Optional Redemption** ..... Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the applicable Required Redemption Percentage may require the Issuer or Co-Issuers, as applicable, to redeem the Notes, in whole but not in part, from Principal Proceeds and all other funds available for that purpose in the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account in accordance with the optional redemption procedures described under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption."

Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at their Redemption Price. From and after the Redemption Date the redeemed Notes will cease to bear interest.

The redemption price payable in connection with the Optional Redemption of any Class of Notes will be the sum of:

- (i) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of

the Note being redeemed; *plus*

- (ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest); *plus*
- (iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note; *plus*
- (iv) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

The redemption price payable in connection with the Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares will be (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the entire remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case, as described under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

In addition, any Class of Notes may be redeemed in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period from Refinancing Proceeds obtained from a loan or the issuance of a replacement class of notes, subject to the written consent of a Majority of the Preference Shares (voting as a single class) and to the extent and subject to the restrictions and conditions described herein and set forth in the Indenture.

**Special Redemption .....** The Notes will be subject to redemption in whole or in part by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, on Payment Dates during the Replacement Period if the Servicer elects (subject to the Servicing Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the use of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (a “**Special Redemption**”). On the first Payment Date following the Due Period for which such notice is effective (a “**Special Redemption Date**”), the funds in the Collection Account or the Payment Account representing Principal Proceeds which cannot be used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (the “**Special Redemption Amount**”) will be available to be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments. See “Description of the Securities—Special Redemption of the Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture.”

**Additional Issuance of Preference**

**Shares**..... At any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the net proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations if the conditions for such additional issuance described under “Description of the Securities—Additional Issuance of Preference Shares” are met. Any amendment to the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents or any other related documents required to provide for or facilitate such additional issuance of Preference Shares will not require the consent of the Holders of Securities.

It is expected that Investors Corp. will finance the purchase of any additional Class I Preference Shares issued by the Issuer by issuing additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such additional Class I Preference Shares purchased by it.

**The Offering**..... The Senior Notes are initially being offered (i) in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act (“**Regulation S**”) to non-U.S. Persons in offshore transactions (“**Offshore Transactions**”) as such term is defined in Regulation S and (ii) to purchasers that are U.S. persons (“**U.S. Persons**”) as such term is defined in Regulation S, that are (I) Qualified Institutional Buyers (as defined in Rule 144A) (each, a “**Qualified Institutional Buyer**”) and (II) Qualified Purchasers. Subsequent transferees of the Senior Notes must be (i) non-U.S. Persons that purchase the Senior Notes in Offshore Transactions or (ii)(a) Qualified Institutional Buyers and (b) Qualified Purchasers. The Class D Notes and the Preference Shares are initially offered and may be subsequently transferred only to purchasers that are (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers (or, solely in the case of a Holder purchasing Class D Notes on the Closing Date, to an institutional investor that is also an accredited investor as defined in Rule 501(a)(1), (2), (3) or (7) under Regulation D (an “**Institutional Accredited Investor**”)) and (ii) Qualified Purchasers. See “Plan of Distribution” and “Transfer Restrictions.”

**Form, Registration and Transfer of the Senior Notes**.....

Except as provided herein, the Senior Notes sold in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Rule 144A and Qualified Purchasers will be represented by one or more permanent global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons (each, a “**Rule 144A Global Note**”) deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository. The Depository will credit the account of each of its participants with the principal amount of the Senior Notes being purchased by or through the participant. Beneficial

interests in a Rule 144A Global Note will be shown on, and transfers thereof will be effected only through, records maintained by the Depository and its direct and indirect participants. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Senior Notes.”

Except as provided herein, the Senior Notes sold in Offshore Transactions to non-U.S. Persons in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by one or more permanent global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons (each, a “**Regulation S Global Note**,” and, together with the Rule 144A Global Notes, the “**Global Notes**”) which will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear or Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream at any time.

Except in the limited circumstances described herein, certificated Senior Notes will not be issued in exchange for beneficial interests in Global Notes. See “Settlement and Clearing.”

Transfers of interests in the Senior Notes are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Indenture. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Senior Notes” and “Transfer Restrictions.” Each purchaser of Senior Notes in making its purchase will be required to make, or will be deemed to have made, as the case may be, certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements. See “Transfer Restrictions.”

**Form, Registration and Transfers of  
the Class D Notes .....**

The Class D Notes will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Class D Notes in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the “**Certificated Class D Notes**”).

Transfers of the Class D Notes are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Indenture. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Class D Notes” and “Transfer Restrictions.” Each purchaser of Class D Notes in making its purchase will be required to make certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements, and will be required to deliver various tax forms (including applicable IRS Form W-8 or IRS Form W-9) and tax certifications. See “Transfer Restrictions” for more details.

**Form, Registration and Transfers of the Preference Shares.....**

The Preference Shares will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Preference Shares in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the “**Certificated Preference Shares**”).

Transfers of the Preference Shares are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Preference Share Documents. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Preference Shares” and “Transfer Restrictions.” Each purchaser of Preference Shares in making its purchase will be required to make certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements, and will be required to deliver various tax forms (including applicable IRS Form W-8 or IRS Form W-9) and tax certifications. See “Transfer Restrictions” for more details.

**Ratings .....**

It is a condition of the issuance of the Securities that each Class of Notes are rated at least as indicated in the table under “—Principal Terms of the Securities” on the Closing Date.

No rating of the Preference Shares has been sought or obtained in connection with the issuance thereof.

Each of the above ratings assumes that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date.

A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning Rating Agency. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—Future Ratings of the Notes Are Not Assured and Limited in Scope; the Preference Shares are Not Rated.”

**Listing.....**

Application is expected to be made to list each Class of the Senior Notes on the regulated market of the ISE. There can be no assurance that such admission will be granted or maintained. See “Listing and General Information.” The issuance and settlement of the Senior Notes on the Closing Date will not be conditioned on the listing of the Senior Notes on the ISE. Furthermore, the Co-Issuers will not be required to maintain a listing on a stock exchange in the European Union if compliance with requirements of the European Commission on a member state becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer. In addition, there is currently no market for the Senior Notes and there can be no assurance that a market will develop.

**Governing Law .....** The terms and conditions of the Preference Shares (as set forth in the Issuer Charter and the Resolutions) will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the Cayman Islands. The Notes, Indenture, any supplemental indenture, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and any Hedge Agreements will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the State of New York.

**Tax Status.....** See “Material Income Tax Considerations.”

**Considerations for Benefit Plans.....** Except as described herein, the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares may not be purchased or held by, or transferred to, any Benefit Plan Investor. See “Considerations for Benefit Plans” and “Transfer Restrictions.”

## **RISK FACTORS**

*An investment in the Securities involves certain risks. Prospective investors should carefully consider the following factors, in addition to the matters set forth elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum, prior to investing in any Class of Securities.*

### **Investor Suitability**

An investment in the Securities will not be appropriate or suitable for all investors. Structured investment products, like the Securities, are complex instruments, and typically involve a high degree of risk and are intended for sale only to sophisticated investors who are capable of understanding and assuming the risks involved. Any investor purchasing Securities should conduct its own investigation and analysis of an investment in the Securities and consult with its own professional advisors as to the risks involved in making such investment.

### **General; Priorities of Securities**

The Issuer intends to acquire securities and other financial assets with certain risk characteristics as provided in the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement. See “Security for the Notes.” There can be no assurance that the Issuer will be successful in achieving its objectives to ensure that investors receive their initial investments under the Securities and that they receive a return (and avoid any losses, including total losses) on their investment in the Securities. Prospective investors are therefore advised to review this entire Offering Memorandum carefully and should consider, among other things, the following risk factors (along with, among other things, the inherent risks of investment activities) before deciding whether to invest in the Securities.

Except as is otherwise stated below, the risk factors are generally applicable to all the Securities, although the degree of risk associated with each Class of Securities may vary. In particular, the priorities of payment of the Notes are generally in the order of their alphabetic designation from the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes (the highest priority) to the Class D Notes (the lowest priority), the priorities of payment of the Notes are higher than priorities of payment of the Preference Shares except with respect to the amount, if any, required for payment of Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

### **Relating to the Securities**

#### *The Securities Will Have Limited Liquidity*

There is currently no market for the Securities. There can be no assurance that a secondary market for any Class of Securities will develop, or if a secondary market does develop, that it will provide the Holders of the applicable Class of Securities with liquidity of investment or that it will continue for the life of such Class of Securities. In addition, each Class of Securities is subject to certain transfer restrictions and can only be transferred to certain transferees as described under “Transfer Restrictions.” The restrictions on the transfer of the Securities may further limit their liquidity. The Securities are designed for long-term investors and should not be considered a vehicle for short-term trading purposes. Consequently, an investor in the Securities must be prepared to bear the risk of holding such Securities until their Stated Maturity or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. To the extent that any secondary market exists for the Securities in the future, the price (if any) at which Securities may be sold could be at a discount, which in some cases may be substantial, from the principal amount of the Securities. To the extent any market exists for the Securities in the future, significant delays could occur in the actual sale of Securities. In addition, the Securities will not be registered under the Securities Act or any state securities laws, and the Co-Issuers have no plans, and are under no obligation, to register the Securities under the Securities Act. Application is expected to be made to admit each Class of the Senior Notes to the Official List of the ISE. There can be no assurance that any such admission will be granted or maintained.

*The Subordination of the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares Will Affect Their Right to Payment in Relation to the More Senior Securities*

The Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes will rank *pari passu* in right of payment of interest and principal in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum; *provided* that amounts allocated to the payment of the Class A-2 Notes will be paid, first, to the Class A-2a Notes and, second, to the Class A-2b Notes.

The Class A-3 Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class A-3 Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A-1 and the Class A-2 Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees and expenses) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class A-3 Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

The Class B Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class B Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees and expenses) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class B Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class B Deferred Interest.

The Class C Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class B Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class C Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class B Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees and expenses) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class C Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class B Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class C Deferred Interest.

The Class D Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class D Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees and expenses) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class D Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class D Deferred Interest and the use of Interest Proceeds to pay principal of the Class D Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class D Coverage Tests .

No payments will be made out of Interest Proceeds on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments), until due and unpaid interest on the Notes (including any Deferred Interest) and certain amounts (including certain amounts due under the Hedge Agreements, certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees and expenses) have been paid on the Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments. No payments will be made out of



Principal Proceeds on the Preference Shares (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) until principal of each Class of Notes and certain other amounts payable out of Principal Proceeds on each Payment Date have been paid in full. In addition, the Preference Shares will not be redeemed until each Class of Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

In addition, the Co-Issuers will have only nominal equity capitalization. Consequently, to the extent that any losses are suffered by any of the Holders of any Securities, the losses will be borne first by the Holders of the Preference Shares, and then by the Holders of each Class of Notes, sequentially in inverse order of their alphabetic designations.

See “Description of the Securities.”

*Interest Will Be Deferred on Deferred Interest Notes if There Are Insufficient Funds under the Priority of Payments for Payment of Interest*

So long as any Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes or Class A-3 Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class B Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes as Class B Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class B Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds.

So long as any Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes, Class A-3 Notes or Class B Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class C Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes as Class C Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class C Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, Class A-3 Notes and the Class B Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds.

So long as any Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes, Class A-3 Notes, Class B Notes or Class C Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class D Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes as Class D Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class D Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds.

*Interest Proceeds May Be Retained in Priority to any Payments to Holders of Preference Shares*

During the Replacement Period, if the Retention Overcollateralization Test is not met on any Determination Date, a portion of the Interest Proceeds that might otherwise have been paid to the Holders of the Preference Shares on the related Payment Date will instead be deposited into the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds, as described under clause (18) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

*The Controlling Class Will Control Many Rights under the Indenture; However, Some Rights of the Controlling Class to Sell the Collateral in Connection with an Event of Default Are Limited*

Under the Indenture, many rights of the Holders of the Notes will be controlled by a Majority of the Controlling Class. Remedies pursued by the Holders of the Controlling Class upon an Event of Default could be adverse to the interests of the Holders of Securities subordinated to the Controlling Class. After any realization on the Collateral, proceeds will be allocated in accordance with the Priority of Payments pursuant to which the Notes and certain other amounts owing by the Co-Issuers will be paid in full before any allocation to the Preference Shares (except, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments), and each Class of Notes (along with certain other amounts owing by the Co-Issuers) will be paid sequentially in alphabetic order until it is paid in full before any allocation is made to the next Class of Notes.

The ability of the Controlling Class to direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral is subject to certain limitations. As described under “Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default,” if an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee must retain the Collateral intact and collect all payments in respect of the Collateral and continue making payments in accordance with the Priority of Payments and in accordance with the Indenture unless either (A) the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, determines that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds,” and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination or (B) the Holders of a Super Majority of each of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes, Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes direct, subject to the provisions of the Indenture, the sale and liquidation of the Collateral.

*Net Proceeds Less Than Aggregate Amount of the Securities*

It is anticipated that the proceeds received by the Issuer on the Closing Date from the issuance of the Securities, net of certain fees and expenses, will be less than the aggregate principal amount of the Securities. Consequently, it is anticipated that on the Closing Date the Collateral will be insufficient to repay the full principal amount of the Securities in the event an Event of Default were to occur under the Indenture on or shortly after the Closing Date.

In addition, during the lifetime of the transaction, except as described herein, excess interest will be distributed to the Holders of the Preference Shares, rather than being invested in additional Collateral Obligations. Therefore, it is highly likely that after payments of the Notes and the other amounts payable prior to the Preference Shares under the Priority of Payments, Principal Proceeds will be insufficient to return the initial investment made in the Preference Shares. Therefore, Holders of Preference Shares must rely on distributions of excess interest proceeds to achieve their expected return.

*The Issuer is Highly Leveraged, which Increases Risks to Investors*

The Issuer will be substantially leveraged. The use of leverage in acquiring assets is a speculative technique which increases the risk to holders of the Securities, particularly holders of the subordinated Securities. In certain scenarios, the Notes may not be paid in full and the Preference Shares may be subject to up to 100% loss of invested capital. The leverage provided to the Issuer by the issuance of the Securities will result in interest expense and other costs incurred in connection with the borrowings that may not be covered by the net interest income, dividends and other cash flow in respect of the Collateral Obligations. The use of leverage generally magnifies the Issuer’s risk of loss, particularly for the more subordinate Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares. The Preference Shares represent the most junior Securities in a highly leveraged capital structure. As a result, any deterioration in performance of the

Collateral, including defaults and losses, a reduction of realized yield or other factors, will be borne first by holders of the Preference Shares. In addition, the use of leverage can magnify the effects on the Preference Shares of a deterioration in the performance of the Collateral. In certain circumstances, such as in connection with the exercise of remedies following an Event of Default, the Controlling Class may require the Issuer to dispose of some or all of the Collateral Obligations under unfavorable market conditions, thus causing the Issuer to recognize a loss that might not otherwise have occurred. In certain circumstances, the Controlling Class are entitled to direct the sales of Collateral Obligations and may be expected to do so in their own interest, rather than in the interests of the more subordinate Classes of Securities.

*Each of the Co-Issuers Is Recently Formed, Has No Significant Operating History, Has No Material Assets Other than the Collateral and Is Limited in Its Permitted Activities*

Each of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer is a recently formed entity and has no significant operating history, other than, with respect to the Issuer, in connection with the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations during the period up to the Ramp-Up Completion Date. Accordingly, neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has a performance history for prospective investors to consider. The performance of other CDO vehicles serviced or advised by the Servicer should not be relied upon as an indication or prediction of the performance of the Issuer. Such other CDO vehicles may have significantly different characteristics, including structures, composition of the collateral pool, objectives, management personnel and terms when compared to the Issuer and the Co-Issuer. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—Performance History of the Servicer May Not Be Indicative of Future Results.”

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer will have any material assets other than, with respect to the Issuer, the Collateral. The Indenture provides that the Issuer is not permitted to engage in any business activity other than the issuance of the Notes, the Preference Shares and the Issuer Ordinary Shares, the acquisition and disposition of Collateral Obligations, certain activities conducted in connection with the payment of amounts in respect of the Securities and the servicing of the Collateral, and other activities incidental or related to the foregoing and that the Co-Issuer is not permitted to engage in any business activity other than the co-issuance and sale of the Senior Notes, the issuance of its share capital, and other activities incidental or related to the foregoing. Income derived from the Collateral will be the Issuer’s principal source of cash.

*The Securities Are Not Registered Under the Securities Act and the Issuer Is Not Registered under the Investment Company Act*

The Issuer has not registered the Securities under the Securities Act and the Issuer is not registered under the Investment Company Act, in each case in reliance upon applicable exemptions to registration under the Securities Act and the Investment Company Act. The Issuer does not expect to register the Securities under the Securities Act nor become registered under the Investment Company Act at any time in the foreseeable future. As such, investors should be aware that the Issuer and the Securities are not subject to many of the regulatory protections and oversight applicable to securities that are registered under the Securities Act or applicable to registered investment companies.

*The Notes Are Non-Recourse Debt Obligations; Investors Must Rely on Available Collections from the Collateral and Will Have No Other Source for Payment*

The Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes are non-recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuers and the Class D Notes are non-recourse debt obligations of the Issuer. The Securities are payable solely from the Collateral pledged by the Issuer to secure the Notes. None of the security holders, members, officers, directors, partners, or incorporators of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator, the Administrator, the Share Registrar, the Share Trustee, any of their respective affiliates, or any other person will be obligated to make payments on the Notes. The Issuer’s ability to make interest payments and principal repayments on the Notes will be constrained by the terms of the Indenture. Holders of the Notes must rely solely on collections received on the Collateral pledged to

secure the Notes and for the payment of interest and principal on the Notes, and there can be no assurance that those collections will be sufficient to pay all amounts due on the Notes. If distributions on the Collateral are insufficient to make payments on the Notes, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and, following liquidation of all of the Collateral, the Co-Issuers will not have any obligation to pay any deficiency, which shall be extinguished and shall not revive.

*The Preference Shares are not Secured Obligations; Investors Must Rely on Available Collections from the Collateral and Will Have No Other Source for Payment*

The Preference Shares will be part of the issued share capital of the Issuer. The Preference Shares are equity in the Issuer and are not secured by the Collateral Obligations or other Collateral securing the Notes. As such, the Holders of Preference Shares will rank behind all creditors, whether secured or unsecured and known or unknown, of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the Holders of the Notes and any Hedge Counterparties (other than, to the extent described under the “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments,” the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares with respect to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments). Except with respect to the obligations of the Issuer to pay the amounts described under the “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” and “—Principal Proceeds,” the Issuer does not, however, expect to have any creditors though there can be no assurance that this will be the case. In addition, the Issuer is also subject to limitations with respect to the business that it may undertake. See “The Co-Issuers—Business.” Payments in respect of the Preference Shares are subject to certain requirements imposed by Cayman Islands law. Any amounts paid by the Preference Shares Paying Agent as dividends on the Preference Shares will be payable only if the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or balance in the Issuer’s share premium account. In addition, dividends and the final payment upon redemption of the Preference Shares will be payable only to the extent that the Issuer is and will remain solvent after such dividends or redemption payment is paid. Under Cayman Islands law, a company is generally deemed to be solvent if it is able to pay its debts as they come due.

The Issuer’s obligation to pay dividends or to make other distributions to the Holders of the Preference Shares will therefore not be a secured obligation of the Issuer and such Holders will not be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture, nor will the Trustee have any obligation to act on behalf of the Holders of Preference Shares. With the exception of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, Holders of the Preference Shares will only be entitled to receive amounts available for payment of dividends or other distributions after payment of all amounts payable on each Class of Notes and certain other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments and only to the extent of distributable profits of the Issuer and/or any balance in the Issuer’s share premium account and (in each case) only to the extent that the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distributions.

To the extent the requirements under Cayman Islands law described in the preceding paragraphs are not met, amounts otherwise payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares (with the exception of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) will be retained in the Preference Shares Distribution Account until, in the case of dividends, the next succeeding Payment Date on which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent such requirements are met and, in the case of any payment on redemption of the Preference Shares, the next succeeding Business Day on which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent such requirements are met. Amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account will not be available to pay amounts due to the Holders of the Notes, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Servicer, any Hedge Counterparty or any other creditor of the Issuer whose claim is limited in recourse to the Collateral. However, amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account may be subject to the claims of creditors of the Issuer that have not contractually limited their recourse to the Collateral. The Indenture and the Preference Share Documents will limit the Issuer’s activities to the issuance and sale of the Securities, the acquisition and disposition of the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments and the other activities related to the issuance and sale of the Securities described under the “The Co-Issuers.” The Issuer therefore does not expect to have any significant full recourse liabilities that would be payable out of amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

*The Issuer May Distribute Eligible Equity Securities to the Holders of the Preference Shares in Lieu of Cash*

The Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, may direct the Trustee to distribute Eligible Equity Securities, in lieu of a distribution of Interest Proceeds, in whole or in part, to the Holders of the Preference Shares who consent to such distribution with respect to any applicable Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities, determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date, is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be distributed to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares on the relevant Payment Date. The Market Value of any Eligible Equity Securities is subject to fluctuations and may increase or decrease following any distribution of such Eligible Equity Securities to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares, which, in certain circumstances, may result in the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares receiving overall a higher or lower internal rate of return compared with the internal rate of return received by the Holders of the Preference Shares who have not accepted any distribution of the Eligible Equity Securities.

*The Issuer May Not Be Able to Apply Available Funds to Acquire Appropriate Collateral*

The amount of Collateral Obligations purchased on the Closing Date, the amount and timing of the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations before the Ramp-Up Completion Date, and the subsequent application of Principal Proceeds, will affect the cash flows available to make payments on, and the return to the Holders of, the Securities. Reduced liquidity and relatively lower volumes of trading in certain Collateral Obligations, in addition to restrictions on acquisition represented by the Eligibility Criteria, could result in periods during which the Issuer is not able to fully utilize its available cash to acquire Collateral Obligations, and it is unlikely that the Issuer's available cash will be fully applied in Collateral Obligations at any time. The longer the period before application of cash or cash-equivalents to acquire Collateral Obligations and the larger the amount of such cash or cash equivalents, the greater the adverse impact may be on aggregate interest collected and distributed by the Issuer, thereby resulting in lower yield than could have been obtained if the net proceeds associated with the offering of the Securities and all Principal Proceeds were immediately and fully applied. The associated risk will be borne first by the Holders of the Preference Shares and second by the Holders of the Notes (beginning with the most subordinated Class of Notes). Although the Servicer may mitigate this risk to some degree during the Replacement Period by declaring a Special Redemption, the Servicer is not required to do so, and any Special Redemption may result in a lower yield on the Issuer's assets than could have been obtained if the net proceeds from the offering of the Securities and all Principal Proceeds were immediately and fully applied and no Special Redemption had taken place.

Generally, Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations, and Sale Proceeds received on the Collateral Obligations) will be applied during the Replacement Period (and, Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, may be applied on any date after the Replacement Period, at the discretion of the Servicer) to purchase replacement Collateral Obligations or temporarily held in Eligible Investments pending purchase of replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The earnings with respect to replacement Collateral Obligations will depend, among other factors, on interest rates available in the marketplace at the time and on the availability of Collateral Obligations acceptable to the Servicer that satisfy the criteria under "Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria." The need to satisfy the criteria and identify acceptable Collateral Obligations may require the purchase of replacement Collateral Obligations having lower yields than those initially acquired or require that Principal Proceeds be held temporarily in cash or Eligible Investments, which will reduce the yield earned by the Issuer. Further, issuers of Collateral Obligations may be more likely to exercise any rights they may have to redeem them when interest rates or spreads are declining. Any decrease in the yield on the Collateral Obligations will reduce the amounts available to make payments of principal and interest on the Notes and payments on the Preference Shares.

The Issuer expects that, as of the Closing Date, it will have purchased (or entered into commitments to purchase) approximately U.S.\$1,500,000,000 in Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations to be included in the anticipated portfolio as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date. As such, on the Closing Date, the Issuer is expected to have unapplied proceeds. This will likely reduce the amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be available to distribute to the holders of the Preference Shares, particularly on the first Distribution Date. If the Issuer issues additional Preference Shares after the Closing Date, the Issuer would likely have unapplied proceeds of the offering, pending the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations. The extent to which cash balances remain unapplied will be subject to a variety of factors, including future market conditions and is difficult to predict.

#### *Valuation Information*

Neither the Issuer nor any other party will be required to provide periodic pricing or valuation information to investors.

#### *Changes in Tax Law Could Result in the Imposition of Withholding Taxes with Respect to Payments on the Securities, and the Issuer Will Not Gross-Up Payments to Holders*

Although no withholding tax is currently imposed by the United States or the Cayman Islands on payments on the Securities, there can be no assurance that, as a result of any change in any applicable law, treaty, rule, regulation, or interpretation thereof, the payments with respect to the Securities would not in the future become subject to withholding taxes. If any withholding tax is imposed on payments on any Securities, the Issuer will not “gross up” payments to their Holders.

#### *The Securities Are Subject to Substantial Transfer Restrictions*

The Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act, under any U.S. state securities or “Blue Sky” laws, or under the securities laws of any other jurisdiction and are being issued and sold in reliance upon exemptions from registration provided by those laws. No Securities may be sold or transferred unless: the sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act (for example, in reliance on exemptions provided by Rule 144A or Regulation S) and applicable state securities laws; and the sale or transfer does not cause either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral to become subject to the registration requirements of the Investment Company Act. See “Transfer Restrictions” and “Considerations for Benefit Plans.”

#### *Non-Compliance with Restrictions on Ownership of the Securities and Acquisition or Disposition of Collateral Obligations under the Investment Company Act Could Adversely Affect the Issuer*

Neither of the Co-Issuers has registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) as an investment company pursuant to the Investment Company Act in reliance on an exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Section 3(c)(7) for companies organized under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States or any of its states whose investors residing in the United States are solely “qualified purchasers” (within the meaning given to such term in the Investment Company Act and related SEC regulations).

The Issuer and the Co-Issuer may, at any time following the Closing Date, rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7) upon (a) receipt of an opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm providing that neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer is required to register as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on such exclusion under Rule 3a-7 and (b) notice to the Holders of the Securities in accordance with the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. In connection with this alternate reliance, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents may be amended without the consent of any Holders to prevent the Issuer from becoming an “investment company” as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7). See “—The Servicer May

Cause the Issuer to Amend the Indenture to Assure Compliance with Rule 3a-7 Without the Consent of the Holders of the Securities in a Manner that May Adversely Affect the Holders of Securities” below.

No opinion or no-action position with respect to the registration of either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral under the Investment Company Act has been requested of, or received from, the SEC. If the SEC or a court of competent jurisdiction were to find that the Issuer or the Co-Issuer is required, but in violation of the Investment Company Act had failed, to register as an investment company, possible consequences include the following: (i) the SEC could apply to a district court to enjoin the violation; (ii) investors in the Issuer or the Co-Issuer could sue the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, and recover any damages caused by the violation; and (iii) any contract to which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, is party whose performance involves a violation of the Investment Company Act would be unenforceable by any party to the contract unless a court were to find that under the circumstances enforcement would produce a more equitable result than non-enforcement and would not be inconsistent with the purposes of the Investment Company Act.

In addition, the Issuer’s being required to register as an investment company would result in an Event of Default. See “Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default.” Should the Issuer or the Co-Issuer be subjected to any or all of the foregoing, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, would be materially and adversely affected.

*Restrictions on Acquisition or Disposition of Collateral Obligations May Reduce the Earnings of the Holders of the Securities*

Rule 3a-7 imposes limitations on the ability of the Issuer to purchase or sell assets, including prohibiting the Issuer from purchasing or selling assets for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. The Indenture will restrict the Issuer from purchasing and selling assets consistent with such requirements of Rule 3a-7. Under these restrictions the Issuer may be required to hold a Collateral Obligation or precluded from acquiring a Collateral Obligation when it would have sold such Collateral Obligation or acquired such Collateral Obligation, as applicable, had it based such determination on the market value changes in the value of such Collateral Obligations. As a result, greater losses on the Collateral may be sustained and there may be insufficient proceeds on any Payment Date to pay in full any expenses of the Issuer or any amounts payable to the Trustee or the Administrator (all of which amounts are payable prior to payments in respect of the Notes) and the payments due on the Securities. See “Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations.”

*The Servicer May Cause the Issuer to Amend the Indenture to Assure Compliance with Rule 3a-7 Without the Consent of the Holders of the Securities in a Manner That May Adversely Affect the Holders of Securities*

On the Closing Date, HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries will purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares. The Servicer will act as the manager for HFP. HFP may need to rely on an exception from the definition of “investment company” and the requirement to register under the Investment Company Act that in turn depends upon the Issuer not being an investment company required to register under the Investment Company Act by reason of Rule 3a-7 thereunder in lieu of the Issuer’s reliance on Section 3(c)(7). It is expected that, in connection with certain capital raising activities of HFP, the SEC may consider the applicability of Rule 3a-7 to the Issuer. If it were determined that the Issuer cannot rely on Rule 3a-7, the Servicer may cause the Issuer to amend the Indenture without the consent of the Holders of the Notes and without the consent of the Holders of the Preference Shares to enable the Issuer to rely on Rule 3a-7 or to better assure compliance therewith, which could require additional limitations and prohibitions on the circumstances under which the Issuer may sell assets, on the type of assets that the Issuer may acquire out of the proceeds of assets that mature, are refinanced or otherwise sold, on the period during which such transactions may occur, on the level of transactions that may occur or on other provisions of the Indenture and could adversely affect the earnings of the Issuer and its ability to make payments on the Notes and distributions to the Preference Shares. As a condition to the effectiveness of any such amendment to the Indenture, the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer will receive (i) a Rating

Confirmation with respect to such amendment and (ii) a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such amendment and assuming compliance with the Indenture as so amended, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act in reliance on such exemption under Rule 3a-7. Such nationally recognized law firm may also be acting as counsel to the Servicer, certain Holders of Notes and/or Preference Shares. The interests of any such parties may not align with the interest of other Holders of Notes and/or Preference Shares. See "Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Supplemental Indenture."

*The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary*

The Stated Maturity of the Notes is May 1, 2022 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date. The weighted average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years until their Stated Maturity. See "Description of the Securities." The weighted average life of a Class of Notes will be affected by the amount and timing of payments of principal of the Notes and the amount and timing of payments received on the Collateral Obligations. The amount and timing of payments of principal on the Notes will be affected by, among other things, any Optional Redemption of the Notes, any Refinancing of the Notes, a failure of any Coverage Test, a Rating Confirmation Failure, any failure by the Servicer to apply the proceeds of the offering of the Securities in Collateral Obligations, a redemption of the Securities made in connection with a Tax Event, any Special Redemption of one or more Classes of Notes, and an Event of Default by the Issuer in the payment of the Notes and an acceleration of the principal of the Notes in connection with an Event of Default. The occurrence of any of the foregoing unscheduled principal repayments of the Notes is, in turn, determined by the amount and timing of payments on the Collateral, which will be dependent on, among other things, the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral and the characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, including the existence and frequency of exercise of any prepayment, optional redemption, or sinking fund features, the prevailing level of interest rates, the redemption price, the actual default rate and the actual level of recoveries on any Defaulted Collateral Obligations, the frequency of tender or exchange offers for the Collateral Obligations and any sales of Collateral Obligations, dividends or other distributions received on any obligations that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange do not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, as well as the risks unique to Collateral Obligations of foreign issuers. A shortening of the average life of the Notes may adversely affect returns on the Preference Shares. See "Security for the Notes."

The Collateral Obligations actually acquired by the Issuer may be different from those expected to be purchased by the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, due to market conditions, availability of such Collateral Obligations and other factors. The actual portfolio of Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer will change from time to time as a result of sales and purchases of Collateral Obligations.

*A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected*

Under the Indenture, the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled, on each Extension Effective Date, to extend the Replacement Period (a maximum of four times) to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. Under the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents, if the Replacement Period is so extended, the Stated Maturity of the Notes (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) will be equally extended and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended without the requirement for any approval or consent of any Holders of Securities. Holders of Securities will not be able to prevent or prohibit the extension of the Stated Maturity of the Notes (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) so long as the Extension Conditions are satisfied, which include the ability of Holders of Securities to sell their Securities at the designated purchase price to a designated purchaser



under the Indenture. However, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Indenture provides that Holders of Preference Shares that have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% as of the Extension Effective Date will not receive any payment in exchange for their Preference Shares sold in connection with a Maturity Extension.

As a consequence, if the Servicer elects to extend the Replacement Period and the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Holders of the Securities must either hold their Securities for a significantly longer period of time than initially expected or sell their Securities at the applicable purchase price under the Indenture.

*An Amendment Buy-Out May Result in a Shorter Holding Period Than Expected*

Any Non-Consenting Holder of Securities with respect to an amendment of the Indenture (which includes Holders that fail to respond to a consent solicitation within the applicable period) may be forced to sell its applicable Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Securities. However, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Indenture provides that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price will be zero for Non-Consenting Holders that have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% as of the Amendment Buy-Out Date. See “Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out.” Given these features, a Holder’s ability to affect or influence the amendment process through voting against such amendment may be limited, while the Servicer’s ability to affect or influence the amendment process may be enhanced.

*The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests*

If any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied on any Determination Date on which the Notes of the relevant Class are Outstanding, Interest Proceeds available on the related Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments (and, to the extent Interest Proceeds are insufficient, Principal Proceeds available on the Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments) are required to be applied to pay principal of the relevant Class of Notes (and any Classes senior to it) to the extent necessary for the relevant Coverage Test to be satisfied. The application of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to pay principal of the Notes to the extent necessary to restore the Coverage Tests to certain minimum required levels could result in an elimination, deferral or reduction in the amounts available to make distributions on the Preference Shares and interest and principal payments on one or more classes of Notes, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of the Securities.

*The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure*

If any rating of any Class of Notes is reduced or withdrawn or placed on credit watch with negative implications by the Business Day after the 29<sup>th</sup> day after the Ramp-Up Completion Date by either Rating Agency, Interest Proceeds and, if Interest Proceeds are insufficient, Principal Proceeds, are required to be diverted in accordance with the Priority of Payments and used to pay the principal of the Notes sequentially in order of their relative priority on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date after that until each rating is reinstated. The application of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to pay principal of the Notes to the extent necessary for one or more ratings to be reinstated could result in an elimination, deferral, or reduction in one or more payments or distributions on one or more Classes of Securities, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of those Classes of Securities.

*The Indenture Permits Special Redemption of Notes Based on the Servicer’s Inability to Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations*

The Servicer is permitted under the Indenture to elect to have all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations applied to a Special Redemption of the Notes, in whole or in part, on one or more Payment Dates during the Replacement Period because it has been unable, for a period of at least 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional or replacement Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in

its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the application of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations. On the Special Redemption Date, in accordance with the Indenture, the Special Redemption Amount will be applied in accordance with “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds,” to the extent available (which includes for this purpose unapplied proceeds specified by the Servicer), to pay the principal of the Notes. The application of funds in that manner could result in an elimination, deferral, or reduction of amounts available to make payments on Securities subordinate in priority to the Securities being amortized. See “Description of the Securities—Special Redemption of Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture.”

*The Notes Are Subject to Optional Redemption*

Subject to satisfaction of certain conditions, on any Payment Date upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the applicable Required Redemption Percentage may require that the Notes be redeemed as described under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.” In the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Servicer may be required to aggregate Collateral Obligations to be sold together in one block transaction, thereby possibly resulting in a lower realized value for the Collateral Obligations sold. There can be no assurance that the market value of the Collateral will be sufficient for the applicable Required Redemption Percentage to direct an Optional Redemption of the Notes. A decrease in the market value of the Collateral would adversely affect the Sale Proceeds from their sale. Consequently, the conditions precedent to the exercise of an Optional Redemption may not be met. Moreover, the Holders of the Notes may not be able to invest the proceeds of the redemption of the Notes in investments providing a return equal to or greater than the Holders of the Notes expected to obtain from their investment in the Notes.

*The Notes are Subject to Redemption by Refinancing*

The Indenture provides that any Class of the Notes may be redeemed in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period from Refinancing Proceeds subject to the satisfaction of certain requirements. See “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Redemption by Refinancing.” Accordingly, a more junior Class of Notes may be redeemed from Refinancing Proceeds in whole even if a more senior Class of Notes remains outstanding. Holders of Notes that are refinanced (or otherwise optionally redeemed) may not be able to reinvest the proceeds of such Notes in assets with comparable interest rates or maturity. An optional redemption from Refinancing Proceeds may also result in a shorter investment than a Holder of Notes may have anticipated.

*Future Ratings of the Notes Are Not Assured and Limited in Scope; the Preference Shares Are Not Rated*

It is a condition to the issuance of the Notes that they be rated as provided under “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.” A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and is subject to revision or withdrawal at any time. There is no assurance that a rating will remain for any given period or that a rating will not be lowered or withdrawn entirely by each Rating Agency if in its judgment circumstances in the future so warrant. Any such action could have an adverse effect on the Holders of the relevant Class of Securities. If a rating initially assigned to a Class of Notes is subsequently lowered for any reason, no person is obligated to provide any additional credit support or credit enhancement. The ratings of the Notes are based on the assumption that no Maturity Extension occurs at any time.

No rating of the Preference Shares will be sought or obtained in connection with their issuance.

*The Issuer could be Treated as Engaged in a United States Trade or Business*

Prior to the issuance of the Securities, the Issuer will receive an opinion from Latham & Watkins LLP (“**Tax Counsel**”), which opinion is based in part on the safe harbor provided by Section 864(b)(2) of

the Code and the Treasury regulations thereunder applying to non-U.S. persons that restrict their activities in the United States to trading in stocks and securities for their own account. The opinion will be to the effect that, although no activity closely comparable to that contemplated by the Issuer has been the subject of any Treasury regulation, revenue ruling or judicial decision and the matter is not free from doubt, assuming compliance with the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement and other related documents by all parties thereto, the Issuer's permitted activities will not cause it to be treated as engaged in the conduct of a U.S. trade or business under the Code. However, in the absence of authority on point, whether the Issuer is or will be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States or not is not entirely free from doubt, and there can be no assurance that positions contrary to those stated in the opinion of Tax Counsel or any other advice or opinion may not be asserted successfully by the Internal Revenue Service (the "IRS"). The opinion is based on certain assumptions and on certain representations and agreements regarding restrictions on the future conduct of the activities of the Issuer and the Servicer. Although the Issuer intends to conduct its business in accordance with such assumptions, representations and agreements, if it were nonetheless determined that the Issuer was engaged in a United States trade or business and had taxable income that is effectively connected with such United States trade or business, foreign investors in Preference Shares that would otherwise not be subject to U.S. federal income tax would be subject to U.S. federal income tax on their allocable share of the Issuer's income and the Issuer would be required to withhold on income allocable to such foreign investors of the Preference Shares regardless of whether distributions were made to such holders. Such withholding may reduce the amounts available to make payments on the Notes and would reduce distributions to the holders of the Preference Shares. Investors should note that the Treasury and the IRS recently announced that they are considering taxpayer requests for specific guidance on, among other things, whether a foreign person may be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States by virtue of entering into credit default swaps. However, the Treasury and the IRS have not yet provided any guidance on whether they believe entering into credit default swaps may cause a foreign person to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States and if so, what facts and circumstances must be present for this conclusion to apply. Any future guidance issued by the Treasury and/or the IRS may have an adverse impact on the tax treatment of the Issuer. See discussion under the heading "Material Income Tax Considerations—U.S. Federal Income Taxation of the Issuer—U.S. Federal Income Tax" below. There can be no assurance that, if the Issuer were determined to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States, it would be able to make timely payments of interest on, payment of principal and payment of other distributions at the applicable Stated Maturity of the Securities. In addition, all or a portion of the payments on the Securities to a holder that is not a U.S. Holder (as defined in "Material Income Tax Considerations—General" below) could in such circumstance be subject to a 30% U.S. federal withholding tax. See "Material Income Tax Considerations."

#### *Benefit Plan Investors*

Certain transactions involving the Co-Issuers in the ordinary course might be deemed to constitute "prohibited transactions" under the United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("ERISA"), and Section 4975 of the Code with respect to Benefit Plan Investors (as defined in "Considerations for Benefit Plans") that purchase the Securities, if assets of the Issuer and/or the Co-Issuer were deemed to be "plan assets" subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or Similar Law (as defined in "Considerations for Benefit Plans"). The Issuer intends to restrict ownership of the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares by Benefit Plan Investors so that no assets of the Issuer will be deemed to be "plan assets" of a plan subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code. Specifically, the Issuer, in reliance on purchaser and transferee representations and deemed representations, intends to restrict the acquisition of the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares so that less than 25% of the aggregate outstanding amount of each of the Class D Notes, the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares will be held by Benefit Plan Investors (determined without regard to those Class D Notes and Preference Shares held by Controlling Persons (as defined in "Considerations for Benefit Plans"), such as the Class D Notes and the Class II Preference Shares held by the Servicer or its affiliates and employees thereof). However, there can be no assurance that the ownership of any of the Class D Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares by

Benefit Plan Investors will always remain below the 25% threshold established under the Plan Asset Regulation (as defined in “Considerations for Benefit Plans”).

Although the Co-Issuers believe that the Senior Notes should be classified as indebtedness (rather than as equity) for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulation (as defined in “Considerations for Benefit Plans”) (and thus will allow more than 25% of each class of Senior Notes to be purchased by Benefit Plan Investors), there can be no assurance that the Senior Notes will be so characterized, and the characterization of one or more classes of the Senior Notes could change if the financial condition of the Co-Issuers changes or other terms and conditions of the Senior Notes change.

If the Benefit Plan Investor ownership of any of the Class D Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares were to meet or exceed the 25% threshold described above, or any class of the Senior Notes were characterized as equity and such threshold were exceeded with respect to such class, resulting in the assets of the Co-Issuers being deemed to be “plan assets,” certain transactions that the Co-Issuers might enter into, or may have entered into, in the ordinary course of business, might constitute non-exempt prohibited transactions under ERISA and/or Section 4975 of the Code and might have to be rescinded. Additionally, the Co-Issuers or other “parties in interest” (as defined in Section 3(14) of ERISA) or “disqualified persons” (as defined in Section 4975(e)(2) of the Code) may be subject to other penalties and liabilities with respect to the transaction.

In addition, the acquisition or holding of the Securities by or on behalf of a plan subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code could give rise to a prohibited transaction if any of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, other persons providing services in connection with the Co-Issuers, or any of their respective affiliates, is a “disqualified person” or “party in interest” with respect to that plan. The acquisition or holding of Securities by a governmental, foreign or church plan subject to laws substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code could constitute a violation of such similar laws. If such transaction is not exempt from ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code or, if applicable, substantially similar laws pertaining to governmental, foreign or church plans, the transaction may have to be rescinded and the Co-Issuers or other “disqualified persons” or “parties in interest” may be subject to other penalties with respect to the transaction. Therefore, each investor in the Securities will be required or deemed to represent and warrant that either (i) it is not, and is not using the assets of, and throughout the holding and disposition of such Securities will not become or transfer its interest to, a plan subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, or an entity that is deemed to hold assets of any of the foregoing or a governmental, foreign or church plan which is subject to any federal, state, foreign or local law that is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or (ii) its purchase, holding and disposition of such Securities will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law) because such purchase, holding and disposition either (x) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (y) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all of the conditions of which are and will be satisfied upon the acquisition of, and throughout its holding and disposition of such Securities.

Any transfer in violation of the foregoing representations will be treated as having no force and effect and will be null and void *ab initio*, potentially causing loss to the investor purchasing in violation of these representations.

See “Considerations for Benefit Plans” herein for a more detailed discussion of certain ERISA and related considerations with respect to an investment in the Securities by an employee benefit plan or similar plan or arrangement.

## **Relating to the Servicing Agreement**

### *The Servicing Agreement May Be Amended Without the Consent of Holders of Securities Whether or Not Such Amendment Adversely Affects Holders of Securities*

The Issuer may, at the request of the Servicer, enter into an amendment or modification of the Servicing Agreement from time to time, without the consent of the Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not the interests of the Holders of the Securities are adversely affected thereby; *provided that*, with respect to any such amendment or modification, (a) the Rating Condition is satisfied and (b) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares have not objected in writing to such amendment or modification by delivering a notice to the Trustee prior to the relevant Objection Cut-Off Date. Holders of the Securities other than Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and Holders of the Preference Shares will have no ability to vote against any such amendment or modification. The ability of the Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and Holders of the Preference Shares to influence the amendment process is limited to the right of a Majority of either such Class to object as described above. To the extent that less than a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares object to the proposed amendment or modification, the Servicer may request that the Issuer enter into such amendment or modification and the Trustee consent thereto, without regard to the fact that certain Holders of the Securities may have objected to such proposed amendment or modification.

## **Relating to the Servicer**

### *The Issuer Will Depend on the Expertise Available to the Servicer and its Key Personnel*

The performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations depends heavily on the skills of the Servicer in analyzing, selecting and monitoring the Collateral Obligations. As a result, the Issuer will be highly dependent on the financial and servicing experience of certain professionals associated with the Servicer, none of whom is under a contractual obligation to the Issuer to continue to be associated with the Servicer for the term of this transaction. The loss of one or more of these individuals could have a material adverse effect on the performance of the Co-Issuers. Furthermore, the Servicer has informed the Issuer that these professionals are also actively involved in other activities and will not be able to devote all of their time to the Issuer's business and affairs. In addition, individuals not currently associated with the Servicer may become associated with the Servicer and the cash-flow performance of the Collateral Obligations may also depend on the financial and servicing experience of such individuals. See "The Servicing Agreement" and "The Servicer."

### *The Issuer Will Have Limited Control of the Administration and Amendment of Collateral Obligations*

The Servicer will cause the Issuer to exercise or enforce, or refrain from exercising or enforcing, its rights in connection with the Collateral Obligations or any related documents or will refuse amendments or waivers of the terms of any Collateral Obligation and related documents in accordance with its ordinary business practices as if the Servicer were administering the Collateral Obligations for its own account. The authority of the Servicer to cause the Issuer to change the terms of the Collateral Obligations will generally not be restricted by the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement. As a result, the Issuer will be relying on the Servicer's customary standards, policies and procedures with respect to the servicing of the Collateral Obligations. The Holders of the Securities and the Issuer will not have any right to compel the Issuer or the Servicer to take or refrain from taking any actions other than in accordance with its ordinary business practices.

In addition, when the Issuer holds a Participation, the Issuer generally will have no right to enforce compliance by the borrower with the loan or credit agreement or other instrument evidencing the related loan obligation, no rights of set-off against the borrower, no direct interest in the collateral supporting the loan obligation, and no right to vote with respect to amendments of, or waivers of defaults under, the loan obligation. An acquisition by the Issuer of a Synthetic Security related to a Loan involves

many of the same considerations relevant to Participations. See “—Relating to the Collateral Obligations—Loans Involve Particular Risks” and “—Synthetic Securities Involve Particular Risks” below.

A modification that would increase the commitment of a lender, reduce the interest rate, or postpone the final maturity of an obligation under a participation agreement, or release all of the collateral for an obligation, generally requires the affirmative vote of the Participating Institution for a loan in which the Issuer owns a Participation, or of the Issuer for a Loan purchased by assignment, for the increase, reduction, or postponement to be binding. The exercise of remedies may also be subject to the vote of a specified percentage of the lenders under the loan obligation. The Servicer will have the authority to cause the Issuer to consent to certain amendments, waivers, or modifications to the Collateral Obligations requested by obligors or the lead agents for participation agreements relating to Participations (subject to operating procedures intended to reduce the risk that the Issuer would be deemed to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States for United States federal income tax purposes). The Servicer may, subject to the transaction documents, cause the Issuer to extend or defer the maturity, adjust the outstanding balance of any Collateral Obligation, reduce or forgive interest or fees, release material collateral or guarantees, or otherwise amend, modify, or waive the terms of any related loan agreement, including its payment terms. The Servicer will make determinations in accordance with its servicing standards under the Servicing Agreement. Any amendment, waiver, or modification of a Collateral Obligation could postpone the expected maturity of the Notes or the expected redemption date of the Preference Shares, or reduce the likelihood of timely and complete payment of interest or principal under the Notes or a full return of an investment in the Preference Shares.

*Performance History of the Servicer May Not Be Indicative of Future Results*

Any prior results of the Servicer, and the persons associated with it or any other entity may not be indicative of the Issuer’s future results. The nature of, and risks associated with, the Issuer’s future assets may differ substantially from those assets historically associated with the Servicer, and the persons associated with it or any other entity. There can be no assurance that the Issuer’s assets will perform as well as the past assets serviced or managed by the Servicer, and the persons associated with it or any other entity. Moreover, since the criteria that govern the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations do not govern the Servicer’s activities generally, the acquisition and disposition of Collateral Obligations conducted in accordance with the criteria contained in the Indenture, and the results they yield, may differ substantially from other assets serviced or managed by the Servicer.

Other accounts, collateralized debt obligations or other funds managed or serviced by the Servicer that are similar to the Issuer (“**Other Debt Funds**”) have been structured to comply with the exemption from registration under the Investment Company Act provided by Section 3(c)(7) thereunder, whereas the Issuer is also structured to comply with the exemption from registration provided by Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act and may in the future, subject to the conditions described herein, rely exclusively on such exemption from registration provided by Rule 3a-7. Rule 3a-7 requires certain additional limitations and restrictions on the buying and selling of assets of the Issuer that are not applicable to the assets of the Other Debt Funds relying on the Section 3(c)(7) exemption from registration. As a result, the Issuer’s ability to react to changes in market value of the assets is more limited and the returns on the Issuer’s assets and the Securities, including the returns on the Preference Shares, may not be comparable to, and may differ materially from, the performance of the Other Debt Funds.

Notwithstanding the inapplicability of the results obtained and expected to be obtained from the past activities of the Servicer, a period of increased volatility in market conditions, including interest rate environments, can have an adverse effect on the realized and unrealized returns to investors in the past products of the Servicer. There can be no assurance that current economic conditions and the effects of increased interest rate and corresponding price volatility will not adversely impact the investment returns ultimately realized by investors or continued compliance with, among other things, applicable coverage requirements described in this Offering Memorandum.

## **Relating to the Collateral Obligations**

### *In General, the Collateral Obligations Are Subject to Various Risks*

The Collateral Obligations are subject to credit, liquidity, and interest rate risks, among others. The Eligibility Criteria and the Collateral Quality Tests have been established to address certain assumed deficiencies in payment occasioned by defaults with respect to the Collateral Obligations. If any deficiencies exceed certain modeled scenarios, however, payments or distributions on the Securities could be adversely affected. To the extent that a default occurs with respect to any Collateral Obligation securing the Notes and the Issuer (on the advice of the Servicer) sells or otherwise disposes of the Collateral Obligation, it is not likely that the proceeds of the sale or other disposition will be equal to the amount of principal and interest owing to the Issuer on the Collateral Obligation.

The value of the Collateral Obligations generally will fluctuate with, among other things, the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral Obligations and, with respect to Synthetic Securities, both the financial condition of the related Synthetic Security counterparties and the obligors on or issuers of the Reference Obligations, general economic conditions, the condition of certain financial markets, political events, developments or trends in any particular industry, and changes in prevailing interest rates.

The ability of the Issuer to sell Collateral Obligations before their maturity is subject to certain restrictions under the Indenture including those described under “Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations.”

### *Below Investment-Grade Obligations Involve Particular Risks*

A substantial amount of the Collateral Obligations will consist of loans, bonds and other obligations that are below investment grade, including high-yield loans and securities. Those Collateral Obligations will have greater credit and liquidity risk than investment-grade obligations. They are also often unsecured and may be subordinated to certain other obligations of their issuer. The lower rating of those Collateral Obligations reflects a greater possibility that adverse changes in the financial condition of an issuer or in general economic conditions or both may impair the ability of their issuer to make payments of principal or interest. These Collateral Obligations may be speculative.

Risks of below investment-grade Collateral Obligations may include (among others):

- (i) limited liquidity and secondary market support;
- (ii) in the case of fixed-rate high-yield debt securities, substantial market place volatility resulting from changes in prevailing interest rates;
- (iii) subordination to the prior claims of senior lenders and creditors;
- (iv) the operation of mandatory sinking fund or call and redemption provisions during periods of declining interest rates that could cause the Issuer to apply premature redemption proceeds in lower-yielding debt obligations;
- (v) the possibility that earnings of the below investment-grade issuer may be insufficient to meet its debt service; and
- (vi) the declining creditworthiness and potential for insolvency of a below investment-grade issuer during periods of rising interest rates and economic downturn.

An economic downturn or an increase in interest rates could severely disrupt the market for below investment-grade obligations and could adversely affect the value of outstanding below investment-grade obligations and the ability of their issuers to repay principal and interest.

Issuers that are below investment grade may be highly leveraged and may not have available to them more traditional methods of financing. The risk associated with obligations of below investment-grade issuers is generally greater than is the case with investment-grade issuers. For example, during an economic downturn or a sustained period of rising interest rates, below investment-grade issuers may be more likely to experience financial stress, especially if they are highly leveraged. During those periods, timely service of debt obligations may also be adversely affected by specific issuer developments, or the issuer's inability to meet specific projected business forecasts or the unavailability of additional financing. The risk of loss from default by the issuer is significantly greater for the holders of below investment-grade obligations because those obligations may be unsecured and may be subordinated to obligations owed to other creditors of the issuer. Further, bankruptcy and similar laws applicable to issuers of the Collateral Obligations may limit the amount of any recovery in respect of a Collateral Obligation if its issuer is insolvent and may also adversely affect the timing of receipt of any recovery to which the Issuer may be entitled. In addition, the Issuer may incur additional expenses to the extent it is required to seek recovery upon a default on such an obligation or participate in its restructuring.

As a result of the limited liquidity of below investment-grade obligations, their prices have at times experienced significant and rapid decline when a substantial number of holders decided to sell. In addition, it may be difficult or impossible for the Issuer to dispose of certain below investment-grade obligations in a timely manner because there may be a thin trading market for them. Even if it is possible to dispose of such Collateral Obligations, it is unlikely that the proceeds of such disposition would equal the unpaid principal and interest thereof. To the extent that a secondary trading market for below investment-grade obligations does exist, it is generally not as liquid as the secondary market for highly rated obligations. Reduced secondary market liquidity may have an adverse impact on the Issuer's ability to dispose of particular Collateral Obligations in response to a specific economic event, such as a deterioration in the creditworthiness of the issuer of the Collateral Obligation.

All risks associated with the Issuer's purchase of such Collateral Obligations will be borne by the holders of the Securities in reverse order of seniority, beginning with the Preference Shares as the most junior Class.

#### *Limitations of Portfolio Diversification*

The Indenture will require that certain levels of diversification are maintained or improved in connection with purchases of Collateral Obligations. The Collateral Obligations are expected to consist primarily of below investment grade debt obligations. To the extent that below investment grade debt obligations as an asset class generally underperform or experience increased levels of credit losses or market volatility, the Collateral Obligations will likely experience credit losses and losses in connection with sales even with significant issuer and industry diversification. In addition, given the leveraged capital structure of the Issuer, any losses resulting from defaults and/or trading losses will be borne first by the Preference Shares, as the most junior Class. Because the value of the obligations of any single issuer or industry sector will represent a higher percentage of the issuance price, as the case may be, of the Preference Shares (or any other junior Class) than it represents in relation to the aggregate principal amount of the total portfolio, there can be no assurance that the diversification guidelines of the Indenture will be effective in minimizing losses on the junior Classes of Securities, particularly the Preference Shares.

#### *Loans Involve Particular Risks*

The Collateral Obligations will consist primarily of Dollar-denominated senior secured and senior unsecured loans, which are required by the Indenture to be obligations of corporations, partnerships, or other entities organized under the laws of the United States (or any of its states) or of foreign obligors meeting specified criteria, or Synthetic Securities the Reference Obligations of which are such loans. See "Security for the Notes—Collateral Obligations."

Loans may become non-performing for a variety of reasons. Non-performing loans may require substantial workout negotiations or restructuring that may entail, among other things, a substantial



reduction in the interest rate or a substantial write-down of the principal of a loan. In addition, because of the unique and customized nature of a loan agreement and the private syndication of a loan, loans typically may not be purchased or sold as easily as publicly traded securities, and historically the trading volume in the bank term loan market has been small relative to the corporate bond market. Loans may encounter trading delays due to their unique and customized nature, and transfers may require the consent of an agent bank or borrower. Consequently, there can be no assurance that there will be any market for any Loan if the Issuer is required to sell or otherwise dispose of such Loan. Depending on the terms of the underlying loan documentation, consent of the borrower may be required for an assignment, and a purported assignee may not have any direct right to enforce compliance by the obligor with the terms of the loan agreement in the absence of this consent.

The Issuer may acquire interests in loans either directly (by assignment) or indirectly (by Participation or through Synthetic Securities). The Issuer may not originate any loans. The purchaser of an assignment of a loan obligation typically succeeds to all the rights and obligations of the Participating Institution and becomes a lender under the loan or credit agreement with respect to the debt obligation. In contrast, a Participation acquired by the Issuer in a portion of a loan obligation held by a Participating Institution or a security or other debt obligation typically results in a contractual relationship only with the Participating Institution, not with the borrower. The Issuer would have the right to receive payments of principal, interest, and any fees to which it is entitled under a Participation only from the Participating Institution and only upon receipt by the Participating Institution of those payments from the borrower. Participating Institutions commonly reserve the right to administer the Participations sold by them as they see fit (unless their actions constitute gross negligence or willful misconduct) and to amend the documentation evidencing the obligations in all respects. However, most participation agreements provide that the Participating Institutions may not vote in favor of any amendment, modification or waiver that forgives principal, interest or fees, reduces principal, interest or fees that are payable, postpones any payment of principal (whether a scheduled payment or a mandatory prepayment), interest or fees or releases any material guarantee or security without the consent of the participant (at least to the extent the participant would be affected by any such amendment, modification or waiver). Participating Institutions voting in connection with a potential waiver of a restrictive covenant may have interests different from those of the Issuer, and such Participating Institutions might not consider the interests of the Issuer in connection with their votes. In addition, many participation agreements that provide voting rights to the holder of the Participation further provide that if the holder does not vote in favor of amendments, modifications or waivers, the selling lender may repurchase such Participation at par. The Issuer will be subject to restrictions on the amount of Participations that may be acquired for inclusion in the Collateral. See “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.”

Holders of Participations are subject to additional risks not applicable to a holder of a direct interest in a loan. In the event of the insolvency of the Participating Institution, under the laws of the United States and the various States thereof, a holder of a Participation may be treated as a general creditor of the Participating Institution and may not have any exclusive or senior claim with respect to the Participating Institution’s interest in, or the collateral with respect to, the loan. Consequently, the holder of a Participation will be subject to the credit risk of the Participating Institution as well as of the borrower. Participants also often do not benefit from the collateral (if any) supporting the loans in which they have a participation interest because Participations often do not provide a purchaser with direct rights to enforce compliance by the borrower with the terms of the loan agreement or any rights of set-off against the borrower. The Servicer is not required, and does not expect, to perform independent credit analyses of the Participating Institutions.

Certain of the loans in the Issuer’s portfolio may be unsecured or secured by collateral worth less than the outstanding balance of the loan. In addition to the general risks associated with loans described above, unsecured loans will not be secured by substantial collateral or any collateral and secured loans may be substantially under-secured. Without collateral and with materially inadequate collateral, the ability of the holder of the loan to recover amounts due from the borrower may be substantially limited.

*Risks Associated with Applying Proceeds of Dispositions*

The Issuer's income will decline if and when the Issuer applies the proceeds from matured, prepaid, sold or called Collateral Obligations into lower yielding instruments. A decline in income will affect the amount available for distributions on the Securities. Subject to criteria described herein, the Servicer will have discretion to use Principal Proceeds to purchase Collateral Obligations in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria and other requirements for the acquisition of Collateral Obligations described herein. The yield with respect to such Collateral Obligations will depend on, among other factors, interest rates available at the time, the availability of assets satisfying the Eligibility Criteria and acceptable to the Servicer, and market conditions related to leveraged Loans and high yield bonds in general. The need to satisfy the Eligibility Criteria and other requirements for the acquisition of Collateral Obligations described herein and identify acceptable assets may require the purchase of Collateral Obligations with a lower yield than those replaced, with different characteristics than those replaced (including, but not limited to, coupon, spread, maturity, call features and/or credit quality) or require that such funds be maintained in Eligible Investments pending such replacement of Collateral Obligations, which will further reduce the yield on the Collateral Obligations. Any decrease in the yield on the Collateral Obligations will have the effect of reducing the amounts available to make distributions on the Securities, especially the most junior Class of Securities. There can be no assurance that in the event Collateral Obligations are sold, prepaid, called, or mature, yields on Collateral Obligations that are available and eligible for purchase will be at the same levels as those replaced, that the characteristics of any Collateral Obligations purchased will be the same as those replaced or as to the timing of the purchase of any such Collateral Obligations.

Leveraged Loans and privately placed high yield bonds are not as easily (or as quickly) purchased or sold as publicly traded securities for a variety of reasons, including confidentiality requirements with respect to obligor information, the customized non-uniform nature of loan agreements and private syndication. The reduced liquidity and lower volume of trading in such debt obligations, in addition to restrictions on purchase represented by the Eligibility Criteria, could result in periods of time during which the Issuer is not able to fully apply its cash to purchase Collateral Obligations. The longer the period before the application of cash to purchase Collateral Obligations, the greater the adverse impact will be on aggregate Interest Proceeds collected and distributed by the Issuer, including on the Securities, especially the most junior Class of Securities, thereby resulting in lower yields than could have been obtained if proceeds were immediately applied. In addition, leveraged Loans are often prepayable by the borrowers with no, or limited, penalty or premium. As a result, leveraged Loans generally prepay more frequently than other corporate obligations of the same borrower. Senior leveraged Loans usually have shorter terms than more junior obligations and often require mandatory repayments from excess cash flow, asset dispositions and offerings of debt and/or equity securities. The increased levels of prepayments and amortization of leveraged Loans increase the associated replacement risk on the Collateral Obligations which risk will first be borne by holders of the Securities, beginning with the Preference Shares as the most junior Class.

*Defaults and Market Volatility*

To the extent that a default occurs with respect to any Collateral Obligation and the Issuer sells or otherwise disposes of that Collateral Obligation, it is likely that the proceeds will be less than its unpaid principal, interest or its purchase price. This could have a material adverse effect on the payments on the Securities. The Issuer also may incur additional expenses to the extent it is required to seek recovery after a default or participate in the restructuring of an obligation. Even in the absence of a default with respect to any of the Collateral Obligations, the market value of the Collateral Obligation at any time will vary, and may vary substantially, from the price at which that Collateral Obligation was initially purchased and from the principal amount of such Collateral Obligation, due to market volatility, changes in relative credit quality, general economic conditions, the level of interest rates, changes in exchange rates, the supply of below investment grade debt obligations and other factors that are difficult to predict. In addition, the Indenture places significant restrictions on the Servicer's ability to buy and sell Collateral Obligations which restrictions may be greater if amendments are made to assure compliance with Rule

3a-7. See “—The Servicer May Cause the Issuer to Amend the Indenture to Assure Compliance with Rule 3a-7 Without the Consent of the Holders of the Securities in a Manner that May Adversely Affect the Holders of Securities”.

The market price of below investment grade debt obligations may from time to time experience significant volatility. During certain periods, this market has experienced significant volatility with respect to market prices, a significant increase in issues trading at distressed levels, a significant increase in default rates, and a significant decrease in recovery rates. No assurance can be given that volatility in the below investment grade debt market will not continue in the future. Such volatility can adversely impact the liquidity, market prices and other performance characteristics of leveraged Loans and high yield bonds.

#### *Structured Finance Obligations Involve Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of Structured Finance Obligations. Structured Finance Obligations may present risks similar to those of the other types of Collateral Obligations which the Issuer may purchase and, in fact, the risks may be of greater significance in the case of Structured Finance Obligations. Moreover, purchasing Structured Finance Obligations may entail a variety of unique risks. Among other risks, Structured Finance Obligations may be subject to prepayment risk, credit risk, liquidity risk, market risk, structural risk, legal risk and interest rate risk (which may be exacerbated if the interest rate payable on a Structured Finance Obligation changes based on multiples of changes in interest rates or inversely to changes in interest rates). In addition, certain Structured Finance Obligations (particularly subordinated collateralized bond obligations) may provide that non-payment of interest is not an event of default in certain circumstances and the holders of the securities will therefore not have available to them any associated default remedies. During the period of non-payment, unpaid interest will generally be capitalized and added to the outstanding principal balance of the related security. Furthermore, the performance of a Structured Finance Obligation will be affected by a variety of factors, including its priority in the capital structure of its issuer, the availability of any credit enhancement, the level and timing of payments and recoveries on and the characteristics of the underlying receivables, loans, or other assets that are being securitized, bankruptcy remoteness of those assets from the originator or transferor, the adequacy of and ability to realize on any related collateral, and the skill of the manager or the servicer of the Structured Finance Obligation in managing or servicing securitized assets. The price of a Structured Finance Obligation, if required to be sold, may be subject to certain market and liquidity risks for securities of its type at the time of sale. In addition, Structured Finance Obligations may involve initial and ongoing expenses above the costs associated with the related direct purchases.

#### *Synthetic Securities Involve Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of Synthetic Securities the Reference Obligations of which are Loans, Structured Finance Obligations or High-Yield Bonds. Acquiring these types of assets through the purchase of Synthetic Securities present risks in addition to those inherently associated with direct purchases of such assets. With respect to Synthetic Securities, the Issuer will usually have a contractual relationship only with the counterparty of the Synthetic Security, and not the reference obligor on the Reference Obligation. The Issuer will have no right to enforce compliance by the reference obligor with the Reference Obligation nor any rights of set-off against the reference obligor, nor have any voting or other consensual rights of ownership with respect to the Reference Obligation. The Issuer will not directly benefit from any collateral supporting the Reference Obligation and will not have the benefit of the remedies that would normally be available to a holder of the Reference Obligation.

In addition, in the event of the insolvency of the Synthetic Security Counterparty, the Issuer will be treated as a general creditor of the counterparty and will not have any claim of title with respect to the Reference Obligation. Consequently, the Issuer will be subject to the credit risk of the counterparty as well as that of the reference obligor and concentrations of Synthetic Securities entered into with any one counterparty will subject the Securities to an additional degree of risk with respect to defaults by that counterparty. One or more Affiliates of CGMI may act as counterparty with respect to all or a portion of the Synthetic Securities, which relationship may create certain conflicts of interest. See “—Relating to

Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving Citigroup Global Markets Inc.” below. In addition, Synthetic Securities may involve initial and ongoing expenses above the costs associated with the related direct acquisitions. The Issuer will be subject to restrictions on the amount of Synthetic Securities it may own at any one time.

*Some of the Collateral Obligations Will Be Illiquid*

Some of the Collateral Obligations purchased by the Issuer will have no, or only a limited, trading market. The Issuer’s acquisition of illiquid Collateral Obligations may restrict its ability to dispose of Collateral Obligations in a timely fashion and for a fair price, as well as its ability to take advantage of market opportunities, although the Issuer is generally prohibited by the Indenture from selling Collateral Obligations except under certain limited circumstances described under “Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations.” Illiquid Collateral Obligations may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid assets. The market for below investment grade debt obligations may become illiquid from time to time as a result of adverse market conditions, regulatory developments or other circumstances. In addition, the Issuer may purchase privately placed Collateral Obligations that may or may not be freely transferable under the laws of the applicable jurisdiction or due to contractual restrictions on resale, and even if those privately placed Collateral Obligations are transferable, the prices realized from their sale could be less than those originally paid by the Issuer or less than what may be considered their fair value.

*Insolvency Considerations With Respect to Issuers of Collateral Obligations May Affect the Issuer’s Rights*

Various laws enacted for the protection of creditors may apply to the Collateral Obligations. If, in a lawsuit brought by a creditor or representative of creditors of an obligor under a Collateral Obligation (such as a trustee in bankruptcy), a court were to find that the obligor did not receive fair consideration or reasonably equivalent value for incurring the indebtedness evidenced by the Collateral Obligation and, after giving effect to the indebtedness and the use of the proceeds thereof, the obligor (i) was insolvent, (ii) was engaged in a business for which the remaining assets of the obligor constituted unreasonably small capital or (iii) intended to incur, or believed that it would incur, debts beyond its ability to pay them as they mature, the court could determine to invalidate, in whole or in part, the indebtedness as a fraudulent conveyance, to subordinate the indebtedness to existing or future creditors of the obligor, or to recover amounts previously paid by the obligor in satisfaction of the indebtedness. There can be no assurance as to what standard a court would apply to determine whether the obligor was “insolvent” or that, regardless of the method of valuation, a court would not determine that the obligor was “insolvent,” in each case, after giving effect to the incurrence of the Collateral Obligation and the use of its proceeds. In addition, in the event of the insolvency of an obligor under a Collateral Obligation, payments made on the Collateral Obligation may be subject to avoidance as a “preference” if made within a certain period before insolvency (which may be as long as approximately one year).

In general, if payments on a Collateral Obligation are avoidable, whether as fraudulent conveyances or preferences, the payments can be recaptured either from the initial recipient (such as the Issuer) or from subsequent transferees of the payments (such as the Holders of the Securities). To the extent that any payments are recaptured from the Issuer, the resulting reduction in payments on the Securities will be borne by the Holders of the Securities beginning with the Preference Shares as the most junior Class of Securities. A court in a bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding would be able to direct the recapture of any payment from a Holder of the Securities to the extent that the court has jurisdiction over the Holder or its assets. Since there is no judicial precedent relating to structured securities such as the Securities, there can be no assurance that a Holder of Securities will be able to avoid recapture on this basis.

The preceding discussion is based on principles of United States federal and state laws. Insofar as Collateral Obligations that are obligations of non-United States obligors are concerned, the laws of certain foreign jurisdictions may provide for avoidance remedies under factual circumstances similar to,

or broader or narrower than, those described above, with consequences that may or may not be analogous to those described above under United States federal and state laws.

Collateral Obligations consisting of obligations of non-U.S. issuers may be subject to various laws enacted in their home countries for the protection of debtors or creditors, which could adversely affect the Issuer's ability to recover amounts owed. These insolvency considerations will differ depending on the country in which each issuer is located and may differ depending on whether the issuer is a non-sovereign or a sovereign entity.

*International Collateral Obligations Involve Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of obligations of obligors Domiciled outside the United States. Acquiring assets outside the United States may involve greater risks than acquiring assets in the United States. These risks may include: less publicly available information; varying levels of governmental regulation and supervision; and the difficulty of enforcing legal rights in a foreign jurisdiction and uncertainties as to the status, interpretation and application of laws. Moreover, foreign companies may be subject to accounting, auditing, and financial reporting standards, practices, and requirements different from those applicable to U.S. companies.

There generally is less governmental supervision and regulation of exchanges, brokers and issuers in foreign countries than there is in the United States. For example, there may be no comparable provisions under certain foreign laws with respect to insider trading and similar investor protection securities laws that apply with respect to securities transactions consummated in the United States.

Foreign markets also have different clearance and settlement procedures, and in certain markets there have been times when settlements have failed to keep pace with the volume of securities transactions, making it difficult to conduct transactions. Delays in settlement could result in periods when assets of the Issuer are unapplied and no return is earned on them. The inability of the Issuer to make intended purchases of Collateral Obligations due to settlement problems or the risk of intermediary counterparty failures could cause the Issuer to miss opportunities to acquire Collateral Obligations. The inability to dispose of a Collateral Obligation due to settlement problems could result either in losses to the Issuer due to subsequent declines in the value of the Collateral Obligation or, if the Issuer has entered into a contract to sell the security, could result in possible liability to the purchaser. Transaction costs of buying and selling foreign securities, including brokerage, tax, and custody costs, also are generally higher than those involved in domestic transactions. Furthermore, foreign financial markets, while generally growing in volume, have, for the most part, substantially less volume than U.S. markets, and securities of many foreign companies are less liquid and their prices more volatile than securities of comparable domestic companies.

In certain foreign countries there is the possibility of expropriation, nationalization, or confiscatory taxation; limitations on the convertibility of currency or the removal of securities, property, or other assets of the Issuer; political, economic, or social instability; or adverse diplomatic developments, each of which could have an adverse effect on the Issuer's purchase of Collateral Obligations in the foreign countries (which may make it more difficult to pay Dollar-denominated obligations such as the Collateral Obligations). The economies of individual non-U.S. countries may also differ favorably or unfavorably from the U.S. economy in such respects as growth of gross domestic product, rate of inflation, volatility of currency exchange rates, depreciation, capital reinvestment, resource self-sufficiency and balance of payments position.

*Lender Liability Considerations and Equitable Subordination Can Affect the Issuer's Rights with Respect to Collateral Obligations*

In recent years, a number of judicial decisions in the United States have upheld the right of borrowers to sue lenders and bondholders on the basis of various evolving legal theories (collectively termed "**lender liability**"). Generally, lender liability is founded on the premise that a lender has violated a duty (whether implied or contractual) of good faith and fair dealing owed to the debtor or has assumed a

degree of control over the debtor resulting in the creation of a fiduciary duty owed to the debtor or its other creditors or shareholders. Because of the nature of the Collateral Obligations, the Issuer may be subject to allegations of lender liability. In addition, under common law principles that in some cases form the basis for lender liability claims, a court may elect to subordinate the claim of the offending lender to the claims of the disadvantaged creditors, a remedy called “equitable subordination,” if a lender: (i) intentionally takes an action that results in the undercapitalization of a borrower to the detriment of other creditors of the borrower; (ii) engages in other inequitable conduct to the detriment of the other creditors; (iii) engages in fraud with respect to, or makes misrepresentations to, the other creditors; or (iv) uses its influence as a lender to dominate or control a borrower to the detriment of other creditors of the borrower.

Because the Collateral Obligations are primarily Loans, the Issuer may be subject to claims from creditors of an obligor that Collateral Obligations issued by the obligor that are held by the Issuer should be equitably subordinated. However, the Servicer does not intend to engage in conduct that would form the basis for a successful cause of action based on lender liability or the equitable subordination doctrine. Nonetheless, no assurances can be given that actions taken in good faith by the Servicer will not result in losses to issuers of Collateral Obligations, and that the Issuer will not be liable for any such losses. Furthermore, the Issuer and the Servicer may be unable to control the conduct of lenders under a loan syndication agreement requiring less than a unanimous vote, yet the Issuer may be subject to lender liability or equitable subordination for such conduct.

The preceding discussion is based on principles of United States federal and state laws. Insofar as Collateral Obligations that are obligations of non-United States obligors are concerned, the laws of certain foreign jurisdictions may impose liability on lenders or bondholders under factual circumstances similar to, or broader or narrower than, those described above, with consequences that may or may not be analogous to those described above under United States federal and state laws.

*Notes May Be Affected by Interest Rate Risks, Including Mismatches Between the Notes and the Collateral Obligations*

The Notes bear interest at a rate based on LIBOR as determined on the second Business Day prior to the first day of the relevant Interest Period. The Collateral Obligations will consist primarily of obligations that bear interest at floating rates, which floating rates may be different than the floating rates on the Floating Rate Notes. Accordingly, the Notes are subject to interest rate risk to the extent that there is an interest rate mismatch between the rates at which interest accrues on the Notes and the rates at which interest accrues on the Collateral. In addition, there may be a timing mismatch between the Floating Rate Notes and the Floating Rate Obligations as the interest on the Floating Rate Obligations may adjust more or less frequently, on different dates and based on different indices than the interest rates on the Floating Rate Notes. Furthermore, any payments of principal of or interest on Collateral received during a Due Period will (except to a limited extent specified in the Indenture) be held in Eligible Investments maturing not later than the Business Day immediately preceding the next Payment Date. There is no requirement that Eligible Investments bear interest at LIBOR or a similar rate, and the interest rates available for Eligible Investments are inherently uncertain. As a result of these mismatches, an increase or decrease in LIBOR for the relevant maturity could adversely affect the ability of the Issuer to make interest payments on the Notes (including due to a rise or a decline in the value of previously issued Collateral Obligations or other Collateral that bear interest at a fixed rate as LIBOR decreases or increases, as applicable) and to make distributions or final distributions on the Preference Shares. To mitigate a portion of the interest rate mismatch, the Issuer may enter into Hedge Agreements that are (in the case of Hedge Agreements entered into on or after the Closing Date) subject to a Rating Confirmation. However, there can be no assurance that the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, together with the Hedge Agreements, will in all circumstances generate sufficient Interest Proceeds to make timely payments of interest on the Notes. Moreover, the benefits of any Hedge Agreements may not be achieved in the event of the early termination of the Hedge Agreements, including termination upon the failure of the related Hedge Counterparty to perform its obligations under the Hedge Agreement. Although any Hedge Counterparty will be a highly rated institution at the time of entering into the applicable Hedge Agreement, there can be

no assurance that it will meet its obligations under the applicable Hedge Agreement. In addition, the actual principal balance of any rate mismatch between the Collateral Obligations and the Notes may not exactly match the notional balance under any Hedge Agreement. All risks associated with any rate or notional balance mismatch will be borne by the holders of the Securities, beginning with the Preference Shares as the most junior Class. See “Security for the Notes—Hedge Agreements.”

The Servicer may direct the Issuer to reduce the notional amount of, or otherwise adjust the terms of, any Hedge Agreement outstanding at any time, subject, in the case of any reduction or adjustment made on or after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, to obtaining a Rating Confirmation.

*Changes in Tax Law Could Result in the Imposition of Withholding Taxes with Respect to Payments on the Collateral Obligations, and the Obligors on the Collateral Obligations will not Gross-Up Payments to the Issuers*

The Issuer expects that payments received on the Hedge Agreements, and generally on the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, will not be subject to withholding taxes imposed by the United States or reduced by withholding taxes imposed by any other country from which such payments are sourced unless the obligor is required to make “gross-up” payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding taxes. In the case of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments issued by U.S. obligors after July 18, 1984 that are in registered form, payments thereon generally are exempt under current United States tax law from the imposition of United States withholding tax. See “Material Income Tax Considerations—United States Federal Taxation of the Issuer.” However, there can be no assurance that, as a result of any change in any applicable law, treaty, rule or regulation or interpretation thereof, the payments on the Hedge Agreements, Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments would not in the future become subject to withholding taxes imposed by the United States of America or another jurisdiction. In that event, if the obligors of such Hedge Agreements, Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments were not then required to make “gross-up” payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding taxes, the amounts available to make payments on, or distributions to, the holders of the Notes would accordingly be reduced. There can be no assurance that remaining payments on the Collateral would be sufficient to make timely payments of interest on and payment of principal at the stated maturity of each Class of the Notes or distributions on the Preference Shares.

In the event that any withholding tax is imposed on payments on, or distributions to, the holders of the Securities as a result of any change in any applicable law, treaty, rule or regulation or interpretation thereof, the holders of the Securities will not be entitled to receive “grossed-up” amounts to compensate for such withholding tax.

Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, the Notes shall be redeemable at the applicable Redemption Price, in whole, but not in part, by the Issuer at the written direction of the applicable Required Redemption Percentage, as described under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

An investment in the Securities involves complex tax issues (particularly in respect of the subordinated Securities), and delays in distributing important tax information may occur. It is expected that tax information from the Issuer may not be received in sufficient time to permit investors to incorporate such information into their annual tax information prior to April 15 of each year. As a result, some investors may be required to obtain extensions for filing federal, state and local income tax returns each year. Investors should consult their own tax advisors before investing in the Securities. See “Material Income Tax Considerations” herein.

*The Issuer Has the Right to Engage in Securities Lending, which Involves Counterparty Risks and Other Risks*

The Collateral Obligations may be loaned for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) that have, or are guaranteed by entities that have, long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or a guarantor with those ratings at the time of the loan, of at least “A1” (and not “A1” but on credit watch with negative implications) and “P-1”

(and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A" from S&P. See "Security for the Notes—Securities Lending." The loans must be secured by cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America, in an amount at least equal to 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value of the loaned Collateral Obligations, determined on a daily basis. However, if the borrower of a loaned Collateral Obligation defaults on its obligation to return the loaned Collateral Obligation because of insolvency or otherwise, the Issuer could experience delays and costs in gaining access to the collateral posted by the borrower (and in extreme circumstances could be restricted from selling the collateral). If the borrower defaults, the Issuer could suffer a loss to the extent that the realized value of the cash or securities securing the obligation of the borrower to return a loaned Collateral Obligation (less expenses) is less than the amount required to purchase the Collateral Obligation in the open market. This shortfall could be due to, among other factors, discrepancies between the mark-to-market and actual transaction prices for the loaned Collateral Obligations arising from limited liquidity or availability of the loaned Collateral Obligations and, in extreme circumstances, the loaned Collateral Obligations being unavailable at any price.

The Rating Agencies may downgrade any of the Notes if a borrower of a Collateral Obligation or, if applicable, the entity guaranteeing the performance of the borrower has been downgraded by one of the Rating Agencies such that the Issuer is not in compliance with the Securities Lending Counterparty rating requirements. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of CGMI or Affiliates of the Servicer, which may create certain conflicts of interest. See "—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer" and "—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving Citigroup Global Markets Inc." below.

*A Substantial Amount of Collateral Obligations Was Acquired Before the Closing Date, and the Terms of the Acquisition May Adversely Affect the Issuer*

In anticipation of the issuance of the Securities, one or more Affiliates of CGMI (the "**Pre-Closing Parties**") are financing the acquisition of Collateral Obligations by the Issuer pursuant to confirmations entered into by or on behalf of the Issuer confirming the Issuer's commitment to purchase such Collateral Obligations during an accumulation period before the Closing Date (the "**Accumulation Period**"). Pursuant to a master participation agreement, such Pre-Closing Parties have acquired (and will acquire) from the Issuer at the time of the Collateral Obligation purchase, a 100% participation interest in each such loan, which participation will be repurchased by the Issuer on the Closing Date at an amount equal to the purchase price minus any distributions of principal on the obligation received by the respective Pre-Closing Party. In consideration for providing financing for the obligations, the Pre-Closing Parties will be paid a financing fee out of interest and any fees and commissions paid by the obligors under such obligations or accrued on such obligations, from the time of purchase through the Closing Date. In addition, in preparation for the closing, one or more Pre-Closing Parties may acquire Collateral Obligations pursuant to confirmations entered into by or on behalf of the Issuer confirming the Issuer's commitment to purchase such Collateral Obligations on the Closing Date at the purchase prices set forth therein, plus the amount of accrued interest thereon in accordance with their terms through the Closing Date. Furthermore, in return for bearing the risk of loss on the Collateral Obligations acquired prior to the Closing Date, the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates on the one hand and CGMI or one or more of its Affiliates on the other hand will each be entitled to retain 50% of the interest and any fees and commissions (net of any financing fees payable to the Pre-Closing Parties) paid by the obligors under such obligations or accrued on such obligations, from the time of purchase through the Closing Date. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the market value of any such Collateral Obligation on the Closing Date will be equal to or greater than the price paid by the Issuer, and any net losses, as well as net gains, experienced in respect of any such Collateral Obligation during the period in which they were warehoused will be for the Issuer's account.



## **Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest**

### *In General, the Transaction Will Involve Various Potential and Actual Conflicts of Interest*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise from the overall servicing, advisory and other activities of the Servicer and its Affiliates and from the conduct CGMI and its Affiliates of other transactions with the Issuer, including acting as counterparty with respect to Hedge Agreements, Securities Lending Agreements, and Synthetic Securities. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

### *The Holders of the Class II Preference Shares Control Appointment and Removal of Directors of the Issuer*

HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase all of Class II Preference Shares on the Closing Date. Class II Preference Shares will control the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer as long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is higher than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date. The Class I Preference Shares will have no voting rights with respect to the appointment or removal of directors. If the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date does not exceed the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date, only the Issuer Ordinary Shares will be entitled to vote with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer. As of the Closing Date, the Class II Preference Shares Outstanding will constitute a Majority of the Preference Shares Outstanding. HFP and/or its subsidiaries that purchase Class II Preference Shares will agree not to transfer any of the Class II Preference Shares to any Person other than Investors Corp. Any transfer of Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to Investors Corp. will require redesignation by the Share Registrar of such Class II Preference Shares as Class I Preference Shares. If at any time, due to such redesignation upon sale of any Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to Investors Corp., the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding is reduced so that it is equal to or lower than the number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding, Class II Preference Shares will automatically become non-voting shares and will no longer be entitled to vote with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer (and, in such case, the directors will be appointed in accordance with the definition of “Board of Directors”).

As long as Class II Preference Shares retain the voting rights with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer, HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries that have purchased such Class II Preference Shares will be able to appoint and remove any of the directors. The directors appointed by HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries may be Affiliates of HFP or the Servicer. No Holders of the Securities will have any right to vote with respect to such appointments and removals of directors of the Issuer other than such Holders of the Class II Preference Shares for so long as Class II Preference Shares retain the voting rights with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer.

### *The Holders of the Class II Preference Shares May Control or Prevent Removal of the Servicer, Appointment of a Replacement Servicer and Optional Redemption or Refinancing of the Notes*

The Class II Preference Shares to be purchased by HFP or any of its subsidiaries at closing are expected to constitute a Majority of the Preference Shares. As long as HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries hold a Majority of the Preference Shares, HFP and such subsidiaries will hold the controlling vote on any decision to be made under the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement that requires a Majority of the Preference Shares (and does not exclude from voting Preference Shares held by the Servicer or its Affiliates) and will hold a blocking position with respect to any decision that requires a higher percentage of Preference Shares.

Pursuant to the Servicing Agreement, such agreement may be terminated and the Servicer may be removed by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee (acting at the direction of a Super Majority of the

Controlling Class of Notes) or by a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding Preference Shares held by the Servicer, any of its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (or, with respect to Class I Preference Shares held by Investors Corp. at such time, Holding Preference Shares held by the Servicer, any of its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority) other than, with respect to the Class II Preference Shares, HFP or any of its subsidiaries; *provided* that, with respect to the voting authority of the Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the “independent directors” (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by any of the “independent directors” of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) (each such non-excluded Preference Share, a “**Voting Preference Share**”), in each case for “cause” upon 10 days’ prior written notice. Further, the Issuer’s ability to appoint a successor servicer is subject to, among other things, the written direction of a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares. As such, if the Class II Preference Shares continue to constitute a Majority of Preference Shares, HFP and any of its subsidiaries that hold Class II Preference Shares will collectively control the ability of the Holders of the Preference Shares to both remove the Servicer for “cause” and appoint the Servicer’s replacement. Since HFP is managed by the Servicer, HFP may have a conflict of interest and may be less likely to exercise these rights than the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares. In such case, should the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares believe that “cause” exists to remove the Servicer, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may prevent their ability to do so.

The Holders of a Majority of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares may give written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Servicer directing an optional redemption of the Notes upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period. After such Notes are retired, the Holders of a Majority or of all of the Preference Shares (depending on the form of redemption) may effect an optional redemption of the Preference Shares. As a result of the foregoing, and so long as they hold a controlling block of Preference Shares, the vote of HFP and/or its applicable subsidiaries will be required to redeem the Securities. As an entity managed by the Servicer, HFP may once again have interests that differ from those of the Class I Preference Shares. Should the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares seek to redeem the Securities, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may prevent their ability to do so.

In addition, at any time after the Non-Call Period, upon a proposal by the Servicer, the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares may consent to a redemption of any Class of Notes pursuant to a Refinancing. As a result of the foregoing, and so long as they hold a controlling block of Preference Shares, the vote of HFP and/or its applicable subsidiaries will be required for such Refinancing. If the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares seek a redemption of Notes pursuant to Refinancing, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares could prevent their ability to achieve this.

*The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise from the overall activities of the Servicer, its Affiliates and the subsidiaries of HFP. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

On the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase certain of the Class C Notes having an aggregate principal amount equal to U.S.\$11,000,000, certain of the Class D Notes having an aggregate principal amount equal to U.S.\$9,000,000 and all of the Class II Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$62,000,000, in each case, at a discounted purchase price and (ii) the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates (other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries) are expected to purchase certain of the Holding Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$11,583,000 at a discounted purchase price. On the Closing Date, the Servicer will be reimbursed by the Issuer for certain of its expenses incurred in connection with the organization of the Issuer (including legal fees and expenses). In addition, a broker-dealer Affiliate of the Servicer may receive a fee for placing certain of the Holding Securities and/or certain of the Securities.

Conflicts of interest may arise for the Servicer with respect to its obligations to the Issuer from the overall activities of the Servicer, its Affiliates and the subsidiaries of HFP, for the accounts of its other clients. For example, the Servicer, its Affiliates and their respective clients and the subsidiaries of HFP may acquire loans, securities, and other obligations that would be appropriate for inclusion in the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations, as well as in loans, securities, and other obligations that are senior to, or have interests different from or adverse to, assets that are pledged to secure the Notes. Furthermore, Affiliates of the Servicer may serve as general partners or managers of special-purpose entities organized to issue other collateralized loan obligations ("CLOs") secured primarily by corporate loans and collateralized debt obligations ("CDOs") secured by corporate debt obligations or asset backed securities. The Servicer and its Affiliates may also have ongoing relationships with, render services to, or engage in transactions with, companies whose loan obligations or securities are pledged to secure the Notes and may now or in the future own (as portfolio assets or otherwise) loan obligations or equity or debt securities issued by issuers of or obligors on, Collateral Obligations or other Collateral. An Affiliate of the Servicer may earn fees with respect to financial advisory services rendered to companies in connection with workouts or the subsequent restructuring of such companies. Such fees and advice may continue for a period of time after any such workout or restructure. The Issuer may own an interest in the securities of such companies. The Servicer will endeavor to resolve conflicts with respect to opportunities in a manner that it deems equitable to the extent possible under the prevailing facts and circumstances.

The Servicer and its Affiliates may possess information relating to issuers of Collateral Obligations or other Collateral that (i) may constrain the Issuer's asset acquisition as a consequence of the Servicer's inability to use such information for asset acquisition purposes or otherwise to take actions that would be in the best of interests of the Issuer or (ii) is not known to the employees of the Servicer responsible for monitoring the Collateral and performing the other obligations of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement. The Servicer, its Affiliates and their respective clients and the subsidiaries of HFP may at certain times be simultaneously seeking to purchase or dispose of assets for the respective accounts of the Issuer, any similar entity for which it serves as manager or advisor, and for its clients or Affiliates.

Neither the Servicer nor any of its Affiliates has any affirmative obligation to offer any assets to the Issuer or to inform the Issuer of any assets before offering any assets to other funds or accounts that the Servicer or any of its Affiliates manage or service. Furthermore, the Servicer may be bound by affirmative obligations in the future, whereby the Servicer is obligated to offer certain assets to funds or accounts that it manages or services before or without the Servicer offering those assets to the Issuer.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Servicer such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Servicer, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the United States Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended (the "**Advisers Act**"). The Servicing Agreement also provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Servicer, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Advisers Act.

The Servicer currently serves as the servicer or portfolio manager for a number of special purpose vehicles that have issued securities secured by or referencing collateral consisting of assets similar to the Collateral Obligations, which may create conflicts in allocating its time and services among the Issuer and

the Servicer's other accounts. The Servicer and its Affiliates and the subsidiaries of HFP may own equity or other securities of issuers of or obligors on Collateral Obligations or other Collateral and may have provided and may provide in the future, advisory and other services to issuers of Collateral. In addition, the Servicer and its Affiliates may act as the Securities Lending Counterparty under any Securities Lending Agreement entered into by the Issuer.

The Servicer may resign at any time and may be removed for cause by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee (acting at the direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes) or by a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares. Upon the resignation or removal of the Servicer, the Issuer, at the written direction of a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares, may appoint a replacement servicer if (x) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes held by the Servicer, its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries; *provided that*, with respect to the voting authority of Notes owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by any of the "independent directors" of HFP or such subsidiaries) (each such non-excluded Note, a "**Voting Note**") or (y) a Majority of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single Class) do not object to the replacement servicer. See "The Servicing Agreement." Securities (or, with respect to Preference Shares held by Investors Corp. at such time, Holding Preference Shares) held by the Servicer, its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries) will have no voting rights with respect to any vote in connection with removal of the Servicer for "cause" and appointment of a replacement servicer and will be deemed not to be outstanding in connection with any vote to remove the Servicer for "cause" and to appoint a replacement servicer; *provided that*, with respect to the voting authority of Class II Preference Shares or Notes owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall be determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiary) of HFP or such subsidiary. Except to the extent specified otherwise, Securities (or, with respect to Preference Shares held by Investors Corp. at such time, Holding Preference Shares) held by the Servicer, its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority at the time of such vote will have voting rights with respect to all other matters as to which the Holders of the Securities are entitled to vote, including any vote to direct an Optional Redemption or a Refinancing. See "The Servicing Agreement", "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption" and "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Redemption by Refinancing."

On the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase Class II Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$62,000,000 at a discounted purchase price and (ii) the Servicer or its Affiliates are expected to purchase Class C Notes having an aggregate principal amount equal to U.S.\$11,000,000, Class D Notes having an aggregate principal amount equal to U.S.\$9,000,000 and Holding Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$11,583,000, in each case, at a discounted purchase price. In addition, the Servicer or its Affiliates may also acquire Securities upon the occurrence of an Amendment Buy-Out or a Maturity Extension or Notes upon the occurrence of a Refinancing as described herein. To the extent that the interests of the Holders of the Notes differ from the interests of the Holders of the Preference Shares, the holding of Preference Shares by the Servicer or its Affiliates may create additional conflicts of interest.

The Servicer will be entitled to receive the Senior Servicing Fee, the Subordinate Servicing Fee and the Supplemental Servicing Fee, as further described herein. The structure of such fees may cause the Servicer to direct the Issuer to purchase more speculative Collateral Obligations than it would otherwise acquire in the absence of such performance based compensation. See "The Servicing Agreement."

In addition to acting as Servicer to the Issuer, Highland Capital will act as manager for HFP, which will, on the Closing Date, purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares. Because Highland Capital will receive both a Servicing Fee from the Issuer for servicing the Collateral and a management fee from

HFP for managing HFP's assets, which will include the Class II Preference Shares (and therefore a residual interest in the Collateral), Highland Capital has agreed, in connection with the capital raising of HFP, to waive a portion of its Servicing Fees from the Issuer for two years following the Closing Date so as not to reduce the income realized by HFP or any of its subsidiaries that hold Class II Preference Shares, as the case may be, in respect of such Class II Preference Shares. Thereafter Highland Capital may at its discretion continue to waive such portion of its Servicing Fees or may elect to receive such Servicing Fees in their entirety. Accordingly, until (and including) the Payment Date in February 2008, an amount equal to a portion (representing the percentage ownership of the Preference Shares represented by the Class II Preference Shares) of the amounts that would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as a Servicing Fee will instead be payable as a special payment to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Thereafter, the Servicer may elect to continue to waive such same portion of the amounts that would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as a Servicing Fee, or any lesser portion of such amounts, and an amount equal to such waived amounts will be paid as a special payment to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares. The Class II Preference Shares and the Class I Preference Shares will vote together as a single class. Receipt of Servicing Fees in the form of dividends on Class II Preference Shares may cause HFP to have different incentives from the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares.

*The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving Citigroup Global Markets Inc.*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise from the overall activities of CGMI and its Affiliates. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

CGMI and its Affiliates are involved in a wide range of commercial banking, investment banking and other activities (including investment management, corporate finance and securities issuing, trading and research) from which conflicting interests or duties may arise. Thus, CGMI and its Affiliates may have had in the past and may in the future have business relationships and dealings with one or more issuers of the Collateral Obligations and their Affiliates and may own equity or debt securities issued by such issuers or their Affiliates. It is expected that CGMI and/or its Affiliates may have placed or underwritten and may in the future place or underwrite certain of the Collateral Obligations at original issuance, may own or may in the future own equity or other securities of issuers of or obligors on Collateral Obligations or will have provided and may in the future provide investment banking services, advisory, banking and other services to issuers of Collateral Obligations and may have received or may in the future receive compensation for such services. In addition, CGMI and its Affiliates may buy securities from and sell securities to an issuer of Collateral Obligations or its Affiliates for its own account or for the accounts of its customers. CGMI and its Affiliates may also have provided and in the future may provide commercial or investment banking or other services to the Servicer and its Affiliates.

CGMI and its Affiliates are actively engaged in purchases and sales of the same securities or loans as owned by the Issuer. Such purchases and sales may be on terms different from those made on behalf of the Issuer. Subject to applicable law, CGMI and its Affiliates may purchase or sell the securities of, or otherwise invest in or finance or provide investment banking, advisory and other services to, companies in which the Issuer has an interest or to the Servicer. CGMI and its Affiliates may, or may in the future, also have a proprietary interest in, and may manage, or advise or provide services to other accounts or investment funds that have investment objectives similar or dissimilar to those of the Issuer and/or which engage in transactions in, the same types of securities as the Issuer. As a result, CGMI and its Affiliates may, or may in the future, possess information relating to obligors on or issuers of Collateral Obligations which is not known to the Servicer or the Issuer. Neither CGMI nor any of its Affiliates is under any obligation to share any investment opportunity, idea or strategy with the Servicer or the Issuer or to utilize for the Issuer's benefit any non-public information acquired by it or any of its Affiliates in the course of providing services to any other person, engaging in any transaction (on its own account or otherwise) or otherwise carrying on its business. As a result, CGMI and its Affiliates may, or may in the

future, compete with the Issuer for appropriate securities or loans to purchase and will be under no duty or obligation to share such opportunities with the Issuer.

The Issuer also may invest in the securities of companies affiliated with CGMI or in which CGMI has an equity or participation interest. The purchase, holding and sale of such securities by the Issuer may enhance the profitability of CGMI's own investments in such companies.

CGMI and its Affiliates may buy Securities for their own account or for re-packaging purposes or enter into transactions related or linked to the Securities. If CGMI holds any Securities, it will have no obligation to exercise any Voting Rights associated with such Securities in any manner and, at any applicable time, may exercise such voting rights in a manner adverse to some or all of the other holders of the Securities. CGMI is acting as placement agent with respect to the Holding Securities. CGMI and/or its Affiliates may also provide financing to the Servicer and/or its Affiliates in connection with their purchase of certain Class C Notes, Class D Notes and Class II Preference Shares which will be secured by a lien on such financed Class C Notes, Class D Notes and Class II Preference Shares.

The Issuer's purchase of Collateral Obligations prior to the Closing Date was financed in part through the sale of participation interests therein to Pre-Closing Parties. A portion of the proceeds from the offering of the Securities will be paid to the Pre-Closing Parties to repurchase such participation interests.

CGMI and its Affiliates may, by virtue of the relationships described above or otherwise, at the date hereof or at any time hereafter, be in possession of information regarding certain of the issuers of Collateral Obligations and their respective Affiliates, that is or may be material in the context of the Securities and that is or may not be known to the general public. Neither CGMI nor any of its Affiliates has any obligation, and the offering of the Securities will not create any obligation on their part, to disclose to any purchaser of the Securities any such relationship or information, whether or not confidential.

By purchasing a Security, each investor will be deemed to have acknowledged the existence of the conflicts of interest inherent to this transaction, including as described above, and to have consented thereto.

## DESCRIPTION OF THE SECURITIES

The Notes will be issued pursuant to the Indenture. The terms of the Preference Shares are contained in the Issuer Charter and in certain resolutions adopted by the Issuer's Board of Directors on or before the Closing Date authorizing and approving the issuance of the Securities, as reflected in the minutes thereof (the "**Resolutions**" and, together with the Issuer Charter and the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the "**Preference Share Documents**"). The following summary describes certain provisions of the Notes, the Preference Shares, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. Copies of the Indenture may be obtained by prospective purchasers upon request in writing to the Trustee at 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code: EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116 Attention: CDO Services Group, and will be available at the office of AIB International Financial Services Ltd. (in such capacity, the "**Irish Paying Agent**") in the City of Dublin. Copies of the Preference Share Documents may be obtained upon request in writing to the Administrator at P.O. Box 1234, Queensgate House, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, Attention: the Directors—Eastland CLO, Ltd.

### Status and Security

The Senior Notes are non-recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuers. The Class D Notes are non-recourse debt obligations of the Issuer. Each Note within a Class will rank *pari passu* with all other Notes of that Class. Under the Indenture, the Issuer will grant to the Trustee a first-priority security interest in the Collateral to secure the Issuer's obligations under the Indenture, the Notes, Hedge Agreements and the Servicing Agreement (collectively, the "**Secured Obligations**"). The Notes are payable solely from amounts received in respect of the Collateral pledged by the Issuer to secure the Notes. If the amounts received in respect of the Collateral (net of certain expenses) are insufficient to make payments on the Secured Obligations, in accordance with the Priority of Payments, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and, following liquidation of all the Collateral, the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, to pay the deficiency will be extinguished.

The Preference Shares are entitled to proceeds of the Collateral only to the extent that any such proceeds are remaining on any Payment Date after payment of all interest and principal payable on each Class of Notes on that Payment Date and the satisfaction of certain other amounts payable in accordance with the Priority of Payments. In addition, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares will be entitled, as and to the extent set forth herein, to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments pursuant to the priority provided in the Priority of Payments.

In furtherance of the priorities of payments among the Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares, the Indenture contains express subordination provisions pursuant to which the Holders of each Class of Notes that is a Junior Class as described below agree for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class that the Junior Class shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes of each Priority Class to the extent and in the manner provided in the Indenture.

If any Event of Default has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs under and in accordance with the Indenture, each Priority Class of Notes shall be paid in full in cash or, to the extent a Majority of each Class consents, other than in cash, before any further payment or distribution is made on account of any Junior Class of Notes with respect to the Priority Class. The Holders of each Junior Class of Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for failure to pay to them amounts due to the Junior Class, of the Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or under the Indenture until the payment in full of the Priority Classes or all the Classes, as the case may be and not before one year and a day, or if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, has elapsed since the payment.

For purposes of this provision, with respect to each Class of Notes, the Classes of Notes that are Priority Classes and Junior Classes are as follows:

Class	Junior Classes	Priority Classes
A-1*	A-3, B, C, D, Preference Shares**	None
A-2a*	A-2b, A-3, B, C, D, Preference Shares**	None
A-2b*	A-3, B, C, D, Preference Shares**	A-2a
A-3	B, C, D, Preference Shares**	A-1, A-2
B	C, D, Preference Shares**	A-1, A-2, A-3
C	D, Preference Shares**	A-1, A-2, A-3, B
D	Preference Shares**	A-1, A-2, A-3, B, C
Preference Shares	None***	A-1, A-2, A-3, B, C, D

\* The payment of principal of and interest on the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes shall rank *pari passu* (provided that amounts allocated to the payment of the Class A-2 Notes shall be paid, first, to the Class A-2a Notes and, second, to the Class A-2b Notes).

\*\*Other than with respect to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, which may be payable to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as set forth herein and will have priority to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

\*\*\*The Preference Shares will be entitled to certain residual cash flow after payment of senior obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

If, notwithstanding the provisions of the Indenture, any Holder of Notes of any Junior Class has received any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes contrary to the provisions of the Indenture, then, until each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class of Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or, to the extent a Majority of the Priority Class or the Class, as the case may be, consents, other than in cash in accordance with the Indenture, the payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, which shall pay and deliver the same to the Holders of the applicable Priority Classes of Notes or the Holders of all Classes of Notes, as the case may be. If any such payment or distribution is made other than in cash, it shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and subject in all respects to the Indenture.

Each Holder of Notes of any Junior Class agrees with all Holders of the applicable Priority Classes that the Holder of Junior Class Notes shall not demand, accept, or receive any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes in violation of the Indenture. After a Priority Class has been paid in full, the Holders of Notes of the related Junior Class or Classes shall be fully subrogated to the rights of the Holders of the Priority Class. Nothing in these provisions shall affect the obligation of the Issuer to pay Holders of any Junior Class of Notes.

Distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares are subordinate to distributions on the Notes as described in the Priority of Payments (other than, as and to the extent set forth herein, with respect to distribution of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments).

The Servicing Fees shall have priority only to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.



### **Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Preference Shares from Interest Proceeds**

The Notes of each Class will accrue interest during each Interest Period on their Aggregate Outstanding Amount (determined as of the first day of the Interest Period and after giving effect to any redemption or other payment of principal occurring on that day) at the applicable per annum interest rates for each such Class (the “**Note Interest Rate**”) equal to LIBOR for Eurodollar deposits for the applicable Interest Period *plus* the spread, as specified above under “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.” Interest accrued on the Notes shall be calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in the applicable Interest Period *divided by* 360. Payment of interest on each Class of Notes shall be subordinated to the payments of interest on the related Priority Classes and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of Deferred Interest in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered “payable” for the purposes of the Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for the Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest), until paid.

Interest shall cease to accrue on each Note, or in the case of a partial repayment, on the part repaid, from the date of repayment or its Stated Maturity unless payment of principal is improperly withheld or unless there is some other default with respect to the payments of principal.

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares, pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Interest Proceeds as described under clauses (22) and (24) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

In addition, on each Payment Date until (and including) the Payment Date in February 2008, Holders of the Class II Preference Shares will be entitled to distributions, on a *pro rata* basis, from the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account, equal to the Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment, the Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment and the Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment (if any) (collectively, the “**Class II Preference Share Special Payments**”). After the Payment Date in February 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Issuer as the Class II Preference Share Special Payments. Any payments to the Holders of Class II Preference Shares of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments will have priority to the extent provided under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

For purposes of calculating the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, the following definitions shall apply:

“**Class II Preference Share Percentage**” means, for any Payment Date, a fraction, expressed as a percentage, the numerator of which is the number of Outstanding Class II Preference Shares on such Payment Date and the denominator of which is the total number of Outstanding Preference Shares on such Payment Date.

“**Class II Preference Share Portion**” means, for any Payment Date, 100% minus the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date.

**“Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment”** means, for any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Senior Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**“Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment”** means, for any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Subordinated Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**“Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment”** means, for any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**“Servicing Fee Portion”** means 100% minus (a) for any Payment Date from the Closing Date until (and including) the Payment Date in February 2008, the Class II Preference Share Percentage for such Payment Date and (b) for any other Payment Date, a percentage (between 0% and 100%) selected by the Servicer in its sole discretion and reported to the Trustee in writing on or before the related Determination Date.

For purposes of calculating interest on each Class of Notes, the Issuer will initially appoint the Trustee as calculation agent (the Trustee in that capacity, and each successor calculation agent, the **“Calculation Agent”**).

As soon as possible after 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period, but in no event later than 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the next Business Day, the Calculation Agent will calculate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes for the related Interest Period and the amount of interest for the Interest Period payable in respect of each \$100,000 in principal amount of each Class of Floating Rate Notes (in each case rounded to the nearest cent, with half a cent being rounded upward) on the related Payment Date and will communicate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes and the date of the next Payment Date to the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, each paying agent, Euroclear, Clearstream, the Depository and (as long as the Senior Notes are listed on the ISE) the ISE.

The Calculation Agent may be removed by the Co-Issuers at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Co-Issuers or if the Calculation Agent fails to determine the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes or the amount of interest payable in respect of each Class of Floating Rate Notes for any Interest Period, the Issuer will promptly appoint as a replacement Calculation Agent a leading bank which is engaged in transactions in U.S. Dollar deposits in the international U.S. Dollar market and which does not control and is not controlled by or under common control with the Co-Issuers or any of their respective affiliates. The Calculation Agent may not resign its duties without a successor having been duly appointed. The determination of the Note Interest Rate with respect to each Class of Floating Rate Notes for each Interest Period by the Calculation Agent shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding upon all parties.

**“LIBOR”** means the offered rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent for any Interest Period, for three month Dollar deposits that appears on Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page as reported on Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News (or a page that replaces Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), as of 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period.

If, on the second Business Day before the first day of any relevant Interest Period, that rate does not appear on Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page as reported on Bloomberg Financial Market Commodities News (or a page that replaces Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), the Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks to prime banks in the London interbank market for three month Dollar deposits in Europe, by reference to requests by the Calculation Agent to four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) (the **“Reference Banks”**)

for quotations as of approximately 11:00 A.M. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the Interest Period. If at least two of the Reference Banks provide quotations as requested, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean. If fewer than two Reference Banks provide quotations, LIBOR shall be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that one or more leading banks in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) are quoting to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period for three month Dollar deposits.

If the Calculation Agent is unable to determine a rate in accordance with any of the above procedures, LIBOR for the Interest Period shall be calculated on the last day of the Interest Period and shall be the arithmetic mean of the rate of interest for each day during the Interest Period determined by the Calculation Agent as being the rate of interest most recently announced by the Bank at its New York office as its base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans (or if the Bank ceases to exist or is not quoting a base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans, another major money center commercial bank in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer)).

For the first Interest Period and, unless the Maturity Extension occurs, the last Interest Period, LIBOR shall be determined based on the actual number of days in the Interest Period using straight-line interpolation of two rates calculated in accordance with the above procedure, except that instead of using three month deposits, one rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next shorter than the Interest Period and the other rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next longer than the Interest Period. All calculations shall be calculated to at least four decimal places and rounded to four decimal places.

### **Principal Payments on the Notes and Distributions on the Preference Shares from Principal Proceeds**

The principal of each Note of each Class matures at par and is payable on the Payment Date that is the Stated Maturity for the Class of Notes, unless the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable at an earlier date by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise. The Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, unless redeemed prior thereto. The average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years from issuance until Stated Maturity for such Notes. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes Interests May Vary” and “Maturity and Prepayment Considerations.” Notwithstanding the foregoing, and except as set forth below, the payment of principal of each Class of Notes: (i) may only occur after principal on each Class of Notes that is a Priority Class with respect to the Class has been paid in full and (ii) is subordinated to the payment on each Payment Date of the principal and interest payable on the Priority Classes, and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments. However, (i) Interest Proceeds may be used to pay principal of the Class D Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class D Coverage Tests and (ii) Principal Proceeds may be used to pay Deferred Interest and other amounts before the payment of principal of the Notes. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

In general, principal payments will not be made on the Notes before the end of the Replacement Period, except in the following circumstances: (i) in connection with an Optional Redemption, (ii) in connection with a Refinancing, (iii) at the option of the Servicer, to effect a Special Redemption of the Notes, (iv) pursuant to a redemption made in connection with a Tax Event or (v) following a mandatory redemption of the Notes caused by a failure to meet any of the Coverage Tests or a Rating Confirmation Failure. After the Replacement Period, Principal Proceeds will be applied on each Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments to pay principal of each Class of Notes (except for Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations which may be applied to purchase Collateral Obligations to the extent described herein). No principal of any Class of Notes will be payable on any Payment Date other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and to the extent funds are available therefor on that Payment

Date for that purpose, except that the principal of each Class of Notes will be payable in full at the Stated Maturity, unless repaid before that.

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares, pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Principal Proceeds as described under clauses (12)(A), (15) and (16) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

**Legal Provisions Applicable to the Payments of Dividends from Interest Proceeds and Dividends or Other Distributions from Principal Proceeds**

Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment of dividends on, or the payment of the Redemption Price in respect of, the Preference Shares, will be distributable to the Holders of the Preference Shares only if the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distribution and Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment of dividends in respect of the Preference Shares will be distributable to the Holders of the Preference Shares only if the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium and if the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distribution. Payments will be paid by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for payment of dividends and other distributions to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, on a *pro rata* basis according to the number of Preference Shares held by each Holder on the Record Date for such Payment Date.

**Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**

*General*

The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Replacement Period to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date up to four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given the Trustee written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Securities or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents.

In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes or Preference Shares wishing to sell all or a portion of its Securities (or, with respect to any Preference Shares held by Investors Corp. at such time, any Holder of Holding Preference Shares wishing to sell all or a portion of the Holding Preference Shares held by such Holder) to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to “—Extension Procedure” below (such Securities (or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable) as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, “**Extension Sale Securities**”). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in connection with an Extension Sale, all, but not part, of the Extension Sale Securities must be purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date.

The Maturity Extension shall be effective only if the following conditions (the “**Extension Conditions**”) are satisfied:

- (i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the applicable Extension Effective Date;
- (ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions, in the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents and the Holding Preference Share Documents and described herein immediately after such purchase and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency);
- (iii) (a) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to S&P (so long as any Notes are then rated by S&P) and (b) Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to Moody's (so long as any Notes are then rated by Moody's);
- (iv) the Issuer has not effected more than three prior Extensions; and
- (v) such extension is not effected for the primary purpose of decreasing losses or recognizing gains resulting from market value changes.

In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Noteholder, other than Holders of Extension Sale Securities, shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment. Holders of Preference Shares shall not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

The Extension Bonus Payment shall be payable to any applicable qualifying beneficial owners who have provided the Trustee with an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification on the first Payment Date from and including the Extension Effective Date on which funds are available for such purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments, but in any event, no later than the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption of the Notes. Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments on a Payment Date shall not be considered "due and payable" hereunder. The failure to pay any such Extension Bonus Payment on such date shall not be an Event of Default, unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Securities. Unpaid Extension Bonus Payments shall not accrue interest. Such amounts shall be paid, in the case of the Notes, to the accounts designated in the applicable Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification or, to the extent otherwise required by the rules of any applicable securities exchange or clearing agency, in a manner determined by the Issuer.

#### *Extension Procedure*

Not later than three Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Issuer of its election to extend the Replacement Period (the "**Extension Notice**"), the Trustee shall mail the Extension Notice to all Holders of Notes, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Holding Securities) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding), in the form set out in the Indenture, and shall request the Rating Confirmation for the Maturity Extension from each Rating Agency, if applicable.

Any Holder of Securities may deliver an irrevocable notice (an "**Extension Sale Notice**") to the Issuer and the Trustee within 30 days after the Trustee has mailed the Extension Notice (the "**Extension Sale Notice Period**") of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Securities or, with respect to Investors Corp., in its capacity as a Holder of the Class I Preference Shares, all or a portion of Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be, to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of Securities that has not delivered such an

Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be entitled to sell its Securities or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension.

If any Holder of Class II Preference Shares delivers an Extension Sale Notice notifying the Issuer and the Trustee of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Class II Preference Shares, (i) such Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to Investors Corp. and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares, (ii) Investors Corp. will issue additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such redesignated Preference Shares purchased by it and (iii) the Extension Qualifying Purchaser will purchase such additional Holding Preference Shares in lieu of such redesignated Preference Shares.

On the applicable Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or its agent) shall confirm (i) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Extension Sale Securities in compliance with all transfer restrictions in the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents and the Holding Preference Share Documents and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (ii) whether the requirements of clause (iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date and (iii) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

On each Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension shall automatically become effective under the terms of the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents; *provided* that all Extension Conditions set forth above are satisfied (as certified to the Trustee by a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer). No later than two Business Days after each Extension Effective Date, the Trustee based on a determination made by the Issuer, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail a notice to all Holders of Notes, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) and the ISE (if and for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed thereon) confirming whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension became effective, the Issuer shall make any required notifications thereof to the Depositary for any Securities subject to the Maturity Extension.

None of the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

### **Optional Redemption**

*Notes.* The applicable Required Redemption Percentage may give written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Servicer directing an optional redemption of the Notes (with respect to the Notes, an “**Optional Redemption**”) upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period. Such notice must be given not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made. In the event that the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee and the Issuer receive notice directing an optional redemption from any one or more Holders of Preference Shares holding less than a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, within five Business Days of receipt of such notice, notify the Holders of the Preference Shares and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Holding Securities) (i) of the receipt of such notice and (ii) that any Holder of Preference Shares may join in directing an Optional Redemption by notifying the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing within five Business Days after such Holder’s receipt of the Preference Shares Paying Agent’s notice.

Upon receipt of the written notice directing an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Co-Issuers with respect to the Senior Notes and the Issuer with respect to the Class D Notes are required by the Indenture to redeem the Notes (in whole but not in part) from amounts available therefor in accordance

with “—Optional Redemption Procedures” described below. Any Optional Redemption of the Notes shall be made at the applicable Redemption Price. Upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Replacement Period will terminate in accordance with the definition of that term. The Issuer shall, at least 30 days before the Redemption Date (unless the Trustee shall agree to a shorter notice period), notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Securities) and each Rating Agency of the Redemption Date, the applicable Record Date, the principal amount of Notes to be redeemed on the Redemption Date and the applicable Redemption Prices.

*Preference Shares.* On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, all administrative and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), and all amounts owing under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged:

(i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings; or

(ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such direction,

(with respect to the Preference Shares and each of clauses (i) and (ii) above, an “**Optional Redemption**”).

Upon a distribution pursuant to clause (i) above, the Servicer will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Servicing Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer (and subject to clause (ii) above), direct the sale of all remaining Collateral Obligations. Upon a distribution pursuant to clause (ii) above, the Servicer will effect the sale of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares.

Upon receipt of the written notice directing an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares, the Issuer is required by the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement to redeem the Preference Shares in the applicable manner described above. Any Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares shall be made at the applicable Redemption Price.

*Optional Redemption Procedures.* The Trustee will give notice of a redemption by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days and not earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date, to (i) each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder’s address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as applicable, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Securities) and (ii) in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, to each Rating Agency. In addition, for so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the ISE and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of an Optional Redemption of Senior Notes shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

Notice of redemption having been given as provided above, the Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at the Redemption Price therein specified and from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Redemption Price and accrued interest) the Notes shall cease to bear interest on the Redemption Date.

Upon final payment on a Note to be so redeemed, the Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the place specified in the notice of redemption to receive the applicable Redemption Price unless the Holder provides an undertaking to surrender the Note thereafter.

The Notes may not be optionally redeemed unless either of the following conditions is satisfied:

(i) at least 10 Business Days before the Redemption Date, the Servicer shall have furnished to the Trustee evidence (in form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee) that the Issuer has entered into a binding agreement (with a financial or other institution or entity whose short-term unsecured debt obligations (other than obligations whose rating is based on the credit of a person other than the institution) have a credit rating of at least "A-1" from S&P and of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's (or to any other institution or entity if the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's is satisfied with respect to the other entity) to sell to the financial or other institutions, not later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date in immediately available funds, all or part of the Collateral (directly or by participation or other arrangement) at a Purchase Price at least equal to an amount sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices; or

(ii) before entering into any binding agreement to sell all or a portion of the Collateral and selling or terminating any Hedge Agreement, the Servicer shall have certified that, in its commercially reasonable judgment, the settlement dates of the sales will be scheduled to occur on or before the Business Day before the Redemption Date and that the expected proceeds from the sales are to be delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date, in immediately available funds, in an amount (calculated as applicable in the manner provided below) sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices. For purposes of this paragraph, the amount shall be calculated with respect to the classes of Collateral listed in the table below by multiplying the expected proceeds of sale of the Collateral by the indicated percentage in the table below. For the avoidance of doubt, no Hedge Agreement will be sold or terminated unless the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date has passed and no notice of withdrawal has been issued.



		Number of Business Days Between Certification to the Trustee and Sale			
		<u>Same Day</u>	<u>1 to 2</u>	<u>3 to 5</u>	<u>6 to 15</u>
1.	Cash or other Eligible Investments	100%	100%	100%	100%
2.	Loans (other than 5 below)	100%	93%	92%	88%
3.	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations (in each case, other than 4 below)	100%	89%	85%	75%
4.	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations, in each case with a Moody's Rating of "B3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "B3"	100%	75%	65%	55%
5.	Synthetic Securities	100%	65%	55%	35%

Any certification delivered by the Servicer shall include (A) the prices of, and expected proceeds from, the sale of any Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments or Hedge Agreements and (B) all calculations required by the Indenture.

Any notice of redemption may be withdrawn by the Issuer up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Securities), the Trustee and the Servicer only if:

(i) in the case of an Optional Redemption of Notes, the Servicer does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications required under the Indenture, as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee;

(ii) in the case of an Optional Redemption in whole of either the Notes or the Preference Shares as described above in "—Optional Redemption—Notes" and clause (i) of the first paragraph under "—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares," the Issuer receives the written direction of the Preference Shares (or, in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Affected Class) to withdraw the notice of redemption delivered by the percentage of the Preference Shares (or, in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Affected Class) requesting redemption under "—Optional Redemption—Notes" or clause (i) of the first paragraph under "—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares," as applicable; or

(iii) in the case of an Optional Redemption of Preference Shares as described in clause (ii) of the first paragraph under "Optional Redemption—Preference Shares," the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer hereby agrees for the benefit of the directing Holders to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (ii) or this clause (iii)).

Notice of any withdrawal shall be sent, not later than the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date (assuming that the Trustee has received timely written notice from the Issuer as provided above), by the Trustee, to each Holder of Notes scheduled to be redeemed at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery (or, to the extent the address contained in the Indenture Register is not sufficient for that purpose, by first-class mail), the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Securities). If the Issuer so withdraws any notice of redemption or is otherwise unable to complete any redemption of the Notes, the Sale Proceeds received from the sale of any Collateral Obligations sold in accordance with the Indenture may, during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and

Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period) at the Servicer's discretion, be used to purchase replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria.

Notice of redemption shall be given by the Co-Issuers or, upon an Issuer Order, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Co-Issuers. Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Note selected for redemption, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Securities) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Securities.

*Redemption by Refinancing.* In addition, any Class of the Notes may be redeemed in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period from Refinancing Proceeds if the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, proposes to the Holders of the Preference Shares in writing (by notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Securities)) with a copy to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies) at least 30 days prior to the Payment Date for such redemption (such date, the "**Refinancing Date**") to redeem such Notes in accordance with the Indenture, which notice shall, among other things, specify the Refinancing Date and the Class of Notes to be Refinanced. Such redemption will be effected by the Issuer obtaining a loan or an issuance of a replacement class of notes ("**Refinancing Notes**"), the terms of which loan or issuance will be negotiated by the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, from one or more financial institutions or purchasers (which may include the Servicer or its Affiliates) selected by the Servicer (a refinancing provided pursuant to such loan or issuance, a "**Refinancing**"), and *provided that* (i) such proposal is approved by a Majority of the Preference Shares (voting as a single class) at least 15 days prior to the Refinancing Date and (ii) the Servicer completes such Refinancing and causes the Refinancing Proceeds to be deposited with the Trustee (in immediately available funds) no later than the close of the Business Day immediately preceding the Refinancing Date.

The Issuer will obtain a Refinancing only if the Servicer determines and certifies to the Trustee that:

- (i) a Rating Agency Confirmation has been obtained from S&P for such Refinancing;
- (ii) the proceeds from the Refinancing will be at least sufficient to pay the Refinancing Price plus any Administrative Expenses of the Issuer related to the Refinancing;
- (iii) the interest rate payable in respect of the obligations providing the Refinancing is less than the interest rate payable on the Notes being refinanced;
- (iv) the principal amount of any obligations providing the Refinancing is no greater than the principal amount of the Notes being redeemed with the proceeds of such obligations;
- (v) the stated maturity of the obligations providing the Refinancing is no earlier than the Stated Maturity of the Notes being refinanced;
- (vi) the Refinancing Proceeds will be used (to the extent necessary) to redeem the applicable Notes;
- (vii) the agreements relating to the Refinancing contain non-recourse and non-petition provisions, investor qualification provisions and transfer restrictions equivalent to those applicable to the Notes being redeemed, as set forth in the Indenture;
- (viii) the obligations providing the Refinancing are subject to the Priority of Payments and do not rank higher in priority pursuant to the Priority of Payments than the Class of Notes being redeemed; and

(ix) the expenses in connection with the Refinancing have been paid or will be adequately provided for.

Any Refinancing Proceeds will not constitute Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds but will be applied directly on the related Refinancing Date pursuant to the Indenture to redeem the Notes being refinanced and pay Administrative Expenses in connection with the Refinancing without regard to the Priority of Payments; *provided* that, to the extent that any Refinancing Proceeds exceed the amount necessary to redeem the Notes being refinanced (and any associated Administrative Expenses), such excess Refinancing Proceeds will be treated as Principal Proceeds.

Refinancing Notes may be issued from time to time pursuant to a Refinancing as described above and subject to and in compliance with the terms of the Indenture. Any such Refinancing Note will be issued by the Issuer and, if any such Refinancing Note is a Senior Note, the Co-Issuer and will be authenticated by the Trustee upon delivery to the Trustee of an order of the Issuer and the applicable opinion of counsel as set forth in the Indenture.

### **Special Redemption of Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture**

Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in whole or in part, at par, in accordance with the Priority of Payments if, at any time during the Replacement Period, the Servicer elects (subject to the Servicing Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional or replacement Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the application of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations.

On the Special Redemption Date, the Special Redemption Amount will be available to be applied in accordance with “—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds” to the extent of available Principal Proceeds. Notice of payment of the Special Redemption Amount shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than three Business Days before the applicable Special Redemption Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder’s address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository. In addition, for so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the ISE and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of a Special Redemption of the Senior Notes shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

In connection with a Special Redemption, the principal of the Notes will be paid from Principal Proceeds in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount (first *pro rata* to any Class A-1 Notes and Class A-2 Notes to be redeemed (*provided* that amounts allocated to the payment of the Class A-2 Notes will be paid, first, to the Class A-2a Notes and, second, to the Class A-2b Notes), then to any Class A-3 Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class B Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class C Notes to be redeemed and then to any Class D Notes to be redeemed, in each case until paid in full) in accordance with the Priority of Payments. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

### **Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

#### *General*

In the event of a Rating Confirmation Failure or a failure to meet any Coverage Test on any Determination Date, a mandatory redemption of one or more Classes of Notes in whole or in part will be required. Any mandatory redemption could result in an elimination, deferral or reduction in interest or principal payments to one or more Classes of Securities, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of the Class or Classes of Securities. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Interests for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests” and “—The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure.”

*Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests*

Except with respect to payments made pursuant to an Optional Redemption or a redemption made in connection with a Tax Event as described under “—Optional Redemption,” on any Payment Date with respect to which any Coverage Test (as described under “Security for the Notes—The Coverage Tests”) is not met on any Determination Date, principal payments on the Notes will be made as described under “—Priority of Payments.”

*Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure*

Upon the event of a Rating Confirmation Failure, all Interest Proceeds remaining after payment of amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (16) of “—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” will be used to pay principal of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes sequentially in the Note Payment Sequence on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date thereafter until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. If necessary, after the foregoing payments are made out of Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds in accordance with clause (11) “—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds” will be used to pay principal of each Class of the Notes sequentially in order of their priority on each Payment Date until the Initial Ratings are confirmed.

Upon receipt of notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes, at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody’s and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes, then at the direction and in accordance with the instructions of the Servicer the Trustee shall sell Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for the purpose in the Collection Account will be used to redeem the Notes (but only to the extent necessary for each of Moody’s and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes) and to pay all administrative and other fees, expenses and obligations payable under the Priority of Payments. Any sale under these provisions shall be conducted in such a manner that:

- (i) after giving effect to the sale each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied or, if any Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Overcollateralization Test is not reduced;
- (ii) if the sale occurs on or after the second Payment Date, after giving effect to the sale each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied or, if any Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Interest Coverage Test is not reduced; and
- (iii) after giving effect to the sale each Collateral Quality Test is satisfied or, if any Collateral Quality Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Collateral Quality Test is not reduced.

**Redemption of the Preference Shares in Connection with Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

The Preference Shares will be redeemed in whole in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents on any Payment Date on which a mandatory redemption of the Notes described under “—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes” results in the payment in full of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes.

**Priority of Payments**

Collections received on the Collateral during the related Due Period will be segregated into Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds and applied on each Payment Date in the priority below under “—Interest Proceeds” and “—Principal Proceeds,” respectively (collectively, the “**Priority of Payments**”).

*Interest Proceeds*

On each Payment Date, Interest Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period (other than Interest Proceeds previously used during such Due Period to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations or otherwise used as permitted under the Indenture) will be distributed in the following order of priority:

- (1) to the payment of any taxes and registration and filing fees owed by the Co-Issuers (without limit) and then to the payment of Administrative Expenses up to the Administrative Expense Cap as follows:

FIRST, in the following order of priority:

- (i) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Trustee; and then
- (ii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Collateral Administrator; and then
- (iii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Preference Shares Paying Agent; and
- (iv) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Holding Preferences Shares Paying Agent;

SECOND, in the following order of priority;

- (x) fees and expenses of the Administrator; and then;
- (y) fees and expenses of the Co-Issuers (including fees and expenses of counsel and ongoing surveillance, credit estimate, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies) and any other person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for in the Indenture, and to the expenses (but not fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;
- (2) the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts paid pursuant to clause (1) above to deposit into the Expense Reimbursement Account;
- (3) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with “Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account” an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee then due and payable and SECOND, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause;
- (4) to the payment of all amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements (if any) other than any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;
- (5) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes, in each case, *pro rata* in proportion to the respective amounts of interest, Defaulted Interest and Defaulted Interest Charge then due on each such Class (*provided* that amounts allocated to the payment of the Class A-2 Notes shall be paid, first, to the Class A-2a Notes and, second, to the Class A-2b Notes);

- (6) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-3 Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-3 Notes;
- (7) if the Class A Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes and the Class A-3 Notes in the Note Payment Sequence in the amount necessary so that all of the Class A Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (7) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);
- (8) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B Notes (excluding Class B Deferred Interest, but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class B Deferred Interest);
- (9) if the Class B Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class B Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class B Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (9) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);
- (10) to the payment of Class B Deferred Interest;
- (11) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class C Notes (excluding Class C Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class C Deferred Interest);
- (12) if the Class C Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class C Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (12) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);
- (13) to the payment of Class C Deferred Interest;
- (14) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class D Notes (excluding Class D Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class D Deferred Interest);
- (15) if the Class D Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date and (i) all of the Class A Coverage Tests, the Class B Coverage Tests and the Class C Coverage Tests are satisfied on such Determination Date (without giving effect to any amounts payable pursuant to clauses (7), (9) and (12) above on the related Payment Date), to the payment of principal of the Class D Notes in the amount necessary so that all of the Class D Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full or (ii) the conditions of sub-clause (i) are not satisfied, to the

payment of principal of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class D Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (15) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);

- (16) to the payment of Class D Deferred Interest;
- (17) if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that a Rating Confirmation is obtained, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (17) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);
- (18) during the Replacement Period, if the Retention Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, for deposit to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds 50% of the remaining Interest Proceeds available after the payments pursuant to clause (17) above (or, if the amount necessary to cause the Retention Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as of such Determination Date is less than 50% of such remaining Interest Proceeds, such necessary amount);
- (19) to the payment of any remaining Administrative Expenses not paid under clause (1) above in the respective priorities specified in clause (1);
- (20) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with “Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account” an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee then due and payable and SECOND, to the payment (*pro rata* according to the amounts payable under clauses (x) and (y) below) to: (x) the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and (y) *pro rata* to each Holder of Securities entitled thereto, the applicable Extension Bonus Payment as described under “—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date;”
- (21) to the payment of any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;
- (22) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0%;
- (23) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with “Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account” of an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) the Supplemental Servicing Fee, if applicable and SECOND, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Supplemental Servicing Fee as

of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and

- (24) any remaining Interest Proceeds, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares;

*provided* that, in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds referred to under clauses (22) and (24) above, in whole or in part on any Payment Date, the Servicer, on behalf the Issuer, will have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be due and payable on such Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to any such Payment Date will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be increased accordingly.

#### *Principal Proceeds*

On each Payment Date, Principal Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period other than:

- (A) Principal Proceeds previously used to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or otherwise used as permitted under the Indenture;
- (B) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account or the Securities Lending Account; and
- (C) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed Purchase Prices for Collateral Obligations with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment before the end of the Due Period for their purchase, but has not settled the purchase by the end of the Due Period;

shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

- (1) (x) FIRST, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (6) under “—Interest Proceeds” above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (y) SECOND, to the payment of amounts referred to in clause (7) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class A Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (1), or until such amounts are paid in full;
- (2) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (8) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (3) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (9) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause



the Class B Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (3), or until such amounts are paid in full;

- (4) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (10) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (5) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (11) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (6) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (12) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class C Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (6), or until such amounts are paid in full;
- (7) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (13) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (8) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (14) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (9) to the payment of the amounts referred to in sub-clause (ii) in clause (15) under “—Interest Proceeds” above (regardless whether or not the conditions of sub-clause (i) of such clause (15) are satisfied) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class D Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (9), or until such amounts are paid in full;
- (10) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (16) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (11) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (17) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (12)
  - (A) if the Payment Date is a Redemption Date in the following order of priority: (i) to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of the Redemption Prices of all of the Notes to be redeemed, (ii) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (19) through (23) under “—Interest Proceeds” above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (iii) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares of the Redemption Price of any Preference Shares to be redeemed; and
  - (B) if the Payment Date is a Special Redemption Date, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of the Notes in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount, in each case until paid in full;
- (13) during the Replacement Period, all remaining Principal Proceeds to the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture (and, until so applied (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer’s

purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), to be deposited in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds);

- (14) after the Replacement Period, (i) FIRST, at the discretion of the Servicer (with respect to Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations) to the purchase or funding of additional or replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the applicable provisions of the Indenture when appropriate Collateral Obligations are available, and until such time, to the Collection Account for the purchase of Eligible Investments; and (ii) SECOND, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of Notes until paid in full;
- (15) to the extent not previously paid in full under clause (12) above, after the Replacement Period, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (19) through (23) under “—Interest Proceeds” above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; and
- (16) after the Replacement Period to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

The calculation on any Coverage Test on any Determination Date shall be made by giving effect to all payments to be made pursuant to all subclauses of the Priority of Payments as applicable, payable on the Payment Date following such Determination Date. In addition, no Principal Proceeds will be used to pay a subordinated Class on a Payment Date if, after giving effect to such payment, any Coverage Test of a more senior Class of Notes is failing on such Payment Date or would fail as a result of such application of the Principal Proceeds on such Payment Date.

If on any Payment Date the amount available in the Payment Account is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by the Valuation Report, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for in the order and according to the priority under “—Interest Proceeds” and “—Principal Proceeds,” to the extent funds are available therefor.

The Trustee shall remit funds to pay Administrative Expenses of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in accordance with the Priority of Payments under “—Interest Proceeds” and “—Principal Proceeds” above, to the extent available, to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer as directed and designated in an Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions) delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before each Payment Date.

### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Senior Notes**

The Senior Notes sold in Offshore Transactions may only be sold to non-U.S. Persons in reliance on Regulation S. Except as provided below, the Senior Notes sold in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Notes. The Regulation S Global Notes will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear and Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream. Investors may hold their interests in a Regulation S Global Note directly through Euroclear or Clearstream, if they are participants in such systems, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in such systems. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may not be held by a U.S. Person at any time. By acquisition of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note, the purchaser thereof will be deemed to represent that it is not a U.S. Person and that, if in the future it determines to transfer such beneficial interest, it will transfer such interest only to a person whom the seller reasonably believes to be a non-U.S. Person or to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note.

The Senior Notes initially sold in non-Offshore Transactions or to U.S. Persons in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Rule 144A may only be sold to (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers that are also (ii) Qualified Purchasers and, except as provided below, will be represented by one or more permanent Rule 144A Global Notes. Investors may hold their interests in the Rule 144A Global Notes directly through the Depository if they are the Depository participants, or indirectly through organizations that are the Depository participants. The Rule 144A Global Notes will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for the Depository, and registered in the name of a nominee of the Depository.

Beneficial interests in Senior Notes represented by Global Notes will be subject to certain restrictions on transfer set forth therein and in the Indenture and such Global Notes will bear the applicable legends regarding the restrictions set forth under “Transfer Restrictions.” A beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from (A) the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that the transfer is being made to a person whom the transferor reasonably believes is a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is also a Qualified Purchaser and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction and (B) the transferee (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser. Beneficial interests in the Rule 144A Global Notes may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from (A) the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that the transfer is being made to a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction in accordance with Regulation S and (B) the transferee (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is a non-U.S. Person.

Any beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note that is transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will, upon transfer, cease to be an interest in such Regulation S Global Note and become an interest in the Rule 144A Global Note and, accordingly, will thereafter be subject to all transfer restrictions and other procedures applicable to beneficial interests in a Rule 144A Global Note for as long as it remains such an interest. Any beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note that is transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note will, upon transfer, cease to be an interest in the Rule 144A Global Note and become an interest in the Regulation S Global Note and, accordingly, will thereafter be subject to all transfer restrictions and other procedures applicable to beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note for as long as it remains such an interest. No service charge will be made for any registration of transfer or exchange of Senior Notes, but the Issuer or Co-Issuers, as the case may be, or the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

Except in the limited circumstances described in this paragraph, owners of beneficial interests in Senior Notes held in the form of Global Notes will not be entitled to receive delivery of certificated Senior Notes. The Senior Notes are not issuable in bearer form. A Global Note deposited with the Depository pursuant to the Indenture shall be transferred to the beneficial owners thereof only if such transfer complies with the Indenture and either (i) the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for a Global Note or ceases to be a “Clearing Agency” registered under the Exchange Act and a successor depository is not appointed by the Issuer within 90 days of such notice or (ii) as a result of any amendment to or change in, the laws or regulations of the Cayman Islands or of any authority therein or thereof having power to tax or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations which become effective on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer or the Paying Agent becomes aware that it is or will be required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Senior Notes which would not be required if the Senior Notes were in definitive form. In addition, the owner of a beneficial interest in a Global Note will be entitled to receive a certificated Note in exchange for such interest if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing. In the event that certificated Senior Notes are not so issued by the Issuer to such beneficial owners of interests in Global Notes, the Issuer expressly acknowledges that such beneficial owners shall be entitled to pursue any

remedy that the Holders of a Global Note would be entitled to pursue in accordance with the Indenture (but only to the extent of such beneficial owner's interest in the Global Note) as if certificated Senior Notes had been issued. Payments on such certificated Senior Notes will be made by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a Dollar-denominated account maintained by the owner or, if a wire transfer cannot be effected, by a Dollar check delivered to the owner. See "Settlement and Clearing."

The Senior Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof for each Class of Senior Notes.

#### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Class D Notes**

The Class D Notes will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Class D Notes in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the "**Certificated Class D Notes**").

The Class D Notes may only be sold to persons who are Qualified Institutional Buyers (or, solely in the case of a Holder purchasing Class D Notes on the Closing Date, to an Institutional Accredited Investor) who are also Qualified Purchasers.

The Class D Notes may be transferred only upon (*inter alia*) receipt by the Trustee of a written certification (in the form provided in the Indenture) from the transferee to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is also a Qualified Purchaser, and such transfer is being made in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction. Each initial Holder as well as each transferee of the Class D Notes is also required to provide certain tax forms and other tax-related certifications. See "Transfer Restrictions."

The Class D Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof.

#### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Preference Shares**

The Preference Shares will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Preference Shares in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the "**Certificated Preference Shares**").

Preference Shares may only be sold to persons who are Qualified Institutional Buyers who are also Qualified Purchasers.

Preference Shares may be transferred only upon (*inter alia*) receipt by the Preference Shares Paying Agent of a written certification (in the form provided in the Preference Share Documents) from the transferee to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is also a Qualified Purchaser, and such transfer is being made in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction. Each initial Holder as well as each transferee of the Preference Shares is also required to provide certain tax forms and other tax-related certifications. See "Transfer Restrictions."

Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited has been appointed and will serve as the registrar with respect to the Preference Shares (the "**Share Registrar**") and will provide for (*inter alia*) the registration of the Preference Shares and the registration of transfers of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Preference Share Documents and the Administration Agreement in the register maintained by it. The Preference Shares will be issued in minimum numbers of 100 Preference Shares per investor and integral multiples of one Preference Share in excess thereof.

## The Indenture

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Indenture. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Indenture.

### *Events of Default*

“**Event of Default**” is defined in the Indenture as:

(a) a default for four Business Days in the payment of any interest on any Class of Notes that is currently part of the Controlling Class when it becomes payable (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, the Irish Listing and Paying Agent or the Indenture Registrar, after seven Business Days);

(b) a default in the payment of principal (including Deferred Interest) of any Note when the same becomes payable, at its Stated Maturity or on the Redemption Date;

(c) the failure on any Payment Date to disburse amounts available in the Payment Account in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the failure continues for three Business Days;

(d) on any Measurement Date for so long as any Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2a Notes or Class A-2b Notes are Outstanding, the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio is less than 100%;

(e) either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral becomes an investment company under the Investment Company Act;

(f) breach of any other covenant or other agreement of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Indenture (other than any failure to satisfy any of the Collateral Quality Tests, any of the Concentration Limitations, any of the Coverage Tests, the Retention Overcollateralization Test, or other covenants or agreements for which a specific remedy has been provided under the Indenture) in any material respect, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer made in the Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant thereto, or in connection therewith, to be correct in any material respect when made, and the breach or failure continues for 30 days after either of the Co-Issuers has actual knowledge of it or after notice to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Servicer by the Trustee or to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class by registered or certified mail or overnight courier specifying the breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that the notice is a “Notice of Default” under the Indenture;

(g) the entry of a decree or order by a court having competent jurisdiction adjudging the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, or composition of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, and if the decree or order remains unstayed and in effect for 45 consecutive days;

(h) the institution by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of Proceedings to have the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as the case may be, adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings against the Issuer or Co-Issuer, or the filing by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Bankruptcy Law or any other similar applicable law, or the consent by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the filing of any

such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or the taking of any action by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in furtherance of any such action; or

(i) one or more final judgments is rendered against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer that exceed in the aggregate U.S.\$2,000,000 (or any lesser amount specified by any Rating Agency) and that remain unstayed, undischarged, and unsatisfied for 30 days after the judgments become nonappealable, unless adequate funds have been reserved or set aside for their payment, and unless (except as otherwise specified in writing by Moody's) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereon.

Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Trustee must give prompt (and in no event later than five Business Days after becoming aware of such event) notice thereof to the Noteholders.

If an Event of Default is continuing (other than an Event of Default described in clauses (e), (g) or (h) under “—Events of Default” above), the Trustee may, with consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class, and must, upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, declare the principal of all the Notes to be immediately payable by notice to the Co-Issuers and the Noteholders, and upon that declaration the unpaid principal of all the Notes, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), and other amounts payable under the Indenture, shall become immediately payable. The Replacement Period shall terminate upon a declaration of acceleration (subject to re-commencement as described below). If an Event of Default described in clauses (e), (g) or (h) above under “—Events of Default” occurs, all unpaid principal, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), of all the Notes, and other amounts payable under the Indenture, shall automatically become payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any Noteholder and the Replacement Period shall terminate automatically (subject to re-commencement as described below).

At any time after the declaration of acceleration of maturity has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, may rescind the declaration and its consequences if:

(i) the Issuer or the Co-Issuer has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:

(A) all unpaid installments of interest and principal on the Notes then due (other than as a result of the acceleration);

(B) to the extent that payment of the interest is lawful, interest on any Deferred Interest and Defaulted Interest at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable;

(C) all Administrative Expenses of the Co-Issuers and other sums paid or advanced by the Trustee under the Indenture;

(D) all unpaid Senior Servicing Fees; and

(E) all amounts then payable to any Hedge Counterparty; and

- (ii) the Trustee has determined that all Events of Default, other than the nonpayment of the interest on or principal of the Notes, that have become due solely by the acceleration, have been (A) cured, and a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Trustee has agreed with that determination, or (B) waived as provided in the Indenture.

No rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right resulting from the Default. The Issuer shall not terminate any Hedge Agreement at any time after a declaration of acceleration of Maturity of the Notes has been made, unless such declaration and its consequences may no longer be rescinded and annulled in accordance with the Indenture and liquidation of the Collateral has begun.

If an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee will retain the Collateral, collect, and cause the collection of the proceeds of the Collateral and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Collateral and the Notes and any Hedge Agreements (other than amounts received under a Hedge Agreement that are used in putting a replacement hedge in place) in the manner described under “—Priority of Payments” and the Indenture unless either:

- (i) the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, determines (bid prices having been obtained with respect to each security contained in the Collateral from two nationally recognized dealers (or if there is only one dealer, that dealer and if there is no dealer, from a pricing service), selected and specified by the Servicer to the Trustee in writing, at the time making a market in those securities, and having computed the anticipated proceeds of sale or liquidation on the basis of the lower of the bid prices for each security) that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would (after deduction of the reasonable expenses of the sale or liquidation) be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and the Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) under “—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds,” and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination; or

- (ii) the Holders of a Super Majority of each of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral.

During the continuance of an Event of Default, a Majority of the Controlling Class may institute and direct the Trustee in the conduct of any proceedings for any remedy available to the Trustee or for the exercise of any right of the Trustee under the Indenture if the direction does not conflict with any rule of law or with any express provision of the Indenture and the Trustee has been indemnified to its reasonable satisfaction. Any direction to the Trustee to undertake a sale of the Collateral shall be by the Holders of Notes representing the requisite percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes specified in the Indenture. The Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability or expense unless it has received an indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it against the liability or expense.

A Majority of the Controlling Class may on behalf of the Holders of all the Notes, before the time a judgment or decree for the payment of money due has been obtained by the Trustee, waive any past Event of Default or event that, with notice or the lapse of time or both, would become an Event of Default and its consequences, except such a default:

- (i) in the payment of principal or Redemption Price of any Note or in the payment of interest (including Defaulted Interest, Deferred Interest, and any interest on Defaulted Interest or Deferred Interest) on the Notes;
- (ii) with respect to a provision of the Indenture that cannot be modified or amended without the waiver or consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected by the modification or amendment;

- (iii) in the payment of amounts due to the Servicer, the Trustee, or the Hedge Counterparty, which may only be waived with the consent of the affected party; or
- (iv) arising as a result of an Event of Default described in clause (e), (g) or (h) under “—Events of Default.”

No Holder of any Note may institute any proceeding with respect to the Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy under the Indenture, unless:

- (i) the Holder has previously given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default;
- (ii) the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute Proceedings with respect to the Event of Default in its own name as Trustee under the Indenture and the Holders have offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with the request;
- (iii) the Trustee for 30 days after its receipt of the notice, request, and offer of indemnity has failed to institute a Proceeding; and
- (iv) no direction inconsistent with the written request has been given to the Trustee during the 30 day period by a Majority of the Controlling Class.

If the Trustee receives conflicting or inconsistent requests and indemnity from two or more groups of Holders of the Controlling Class, each representing less than a Majority of the Controlling Class, the Trustee shall take the action requested by the Holders of the largest percentage in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, notwithstanding any other provisions of the Indenture but subject to such Holders having offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the costs and liabilities that might reasonably be incurred by it in compliance with the request as provided in the Indenture.

## **Supplemental Indentures**

### *Without Consent of Holders*

Without the consent of the Holders of any Securities (other than with respect to the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class specified in clause (15) below), but with the consent of the parties the consent of which is required as described in the following paragraph, the Co-Issuers, in each instance when authorized by resolutions of the respective Boards of Directors, and the Trustee, at any time and from time to time subject to the requirement provided below with respect to receipt of a Rating Confirmation, may, if, with respect to any matters described in clauses (1) through (23) below, the interests of the Holders of the Securities (except, in the case of clause (12) below, any Holders of Notes subject to the applicable Refinancing) are not materially and adversely affected thereby (the Co-Issuers and the Trustee will be bound by a standard of good faith and fair dealing in making such determination) enter into one or more indentures supplemental to the Indenture, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, for any of the following purposes:

- (1) to evidence the succession of another person to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and the assumption by the successor person of the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Indenture and in the Securities;
- (2) to add to the covenants of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders or to surrender any right in the Indenture conferred on the Co-Issuers;



- (3) to convey, transfer, assign, mortgage, or pledge any property to the Trustee, or add to the conditions, limitations or restrictions on the authorized amount, terms and purposes of the issue, authentication and delivery of the Notes;
- (4) to evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment under the Indenture by a successor Trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of the Indenture necessary to facilitate the administration of the trusts under the Indenture by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of the Indenture;
- (5) to correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of the Indenture, or to better assure, convey, and confirm to the Trustee any property subject or required to be subject to the lien of the Indenture (including all actions appropriate as a result of changes in law) or to subject to the lien of the Indenture any additional property;
- (6) to conform any provision in the Indenture to the related provision in this Offering Memorandum that is intended to be a verbatim recitation of such provision;
- (7) to modify the restrictions on and procedures for resales and other transfers of the Notes to reflect any changes in applicable law (or its interpretation) or to enable the Co-Issuers to rely on any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities Act or the Investment Company Act or to remove restrictions on resale and transfer to the extent not required under the Indenture;
- (8) with the consent of the Servicer, to modify (A) the restrictions on the sales of Collateral Obligations described in “Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations” or (B) with the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld), the Eligibility Criteria described in “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria” (and the related definitions); *provided* that, for the avoidance of doubt, the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall not be required if such amendment also satisfies the requirements of clause (24) below;
- (9) to make appropriate changes for any Class of Senior Notes to be listed on an exchange other than the ISE;
- (10) otherwise to correct any inconsistency or cure any ambiguity or errors in the Indenture;
- (11) to accommodate the issuance of the Senior Notes in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC or otherwise;
- (12) to accommodate a Refinancing effected pursuant to and in compliance with the terms of the Indenture; *provided* that no Holders of Notes or Preference Shares are materially adversely affected thereby, other than Holders of Notes subject to such Refinancing;
- (13) to take any appropriate action to prevent the Issuer, the Holders of Securities or the Trustee from becoming subject to withholding or other taxes, fees, or assessments or to prevent the Issuer from being treated as being engaged in a U.S. trade or business or otherwise being subject to U.S. federal, state or local income tax on a net income basis, so long as the action will not cause the Holders of any Securities to be adversely affected to any material extent by any change to the timing, character, or source of the income from the Securities, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion);

- (14) to authorize the appointment of any listing agent, transfer agent, paying agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes appropriate in connection with the listing of any Class of Senior Notes on the ISE or any other stock exchange, and otherwise to amend the Indenture to incorporate any changes required or requested by any governmental authority, stock exchange authority, listing agent, transfer agent, paying agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes in connection with its appointment, so long as the supplemental indenture would not materially and adversely affect any Noteholders, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Notes;
- (15) with the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class, to amend, modify, enter into or accommodate the execution of any contract relating to a Synthetic Security (including posting collateral under a Synthetic Security Agreement) if such particular action is not otherwise permitted under the Indenture;
- (16) to modify certain representations as to Collateral in the Indenture in order that it may be consistent with applicable laws or Rating Agency requirements;
- (17) to evidence any waiver by any Rating Agency as to any requirement or condition, as applicable, of the Rating Agency in the Indenture;
- (18) to facilitate the issuance of participation notes, combination notes, composite securities and other similar securities;
- (19) to facilitate hedging transactions;
- (20) to facilitate the ability of the Issuer to lend collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement;
- (21) to modify any provision to facilitate an exchange of one security for another security of the same issuers that has substantially identical terms except transfer restrictions, including to effect any serial designation relating to the exchange;
- (22) with the consent of the Servicer to enter into any additional agreements not expressly prohibited by the Indenture as well as any amendment, modification, or waiver if the Issuer determines that the amendment, modification, or waiver would not, upon or after becoming effective, materially and adversely affect the rights or interest of the Holders of any Class of Securities, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Servicer, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities; *provided* that, for the avoidance of doubt, this clause (22) shall not permit the Co-Issuers and the Trustee to effect any amendment that expressly requires the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class without such consent;
- (23) to provide for the issuance of additional Preference Shares to the extent permitted by the Preference Share Documents and to extend to such additional Preference Shares the benefits applicable to the Preference Shares under the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents; or
- (24) to prevent the Issuer from becoming an “investment company” as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule

3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); *provided* that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer shall have received (A) a Rating Confirmation with respect to such supplemental indenture and (B) a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such supplemental indenture, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

Without the consent of the Servicer, no supplemental indenture may be entered into that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to the Servicer under the Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer. The Trustee is authorized to join in the execution of any such supplemental indenture and to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations that may be in the agreements, but the Trustee should not be obligated to enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee’s own rights, duties, liabilities or immunities under the Indenture or otherwise, except to the extent required by law. Unless notified by a Majority of any Class of Securities that the Class of Securities would be materially and adversely affected, the Trustee may rely on a certificate of the Servicer and an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) as to whether the interests of any Holder of Securities would be materially and adversely affected by any such supplemental indenture.

If any Outstanding Notes are rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee will enter into a supplemental indenture without the consent of Holders only if either (1) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the supplemental indenture or (2) the Servicer and the Holders of 100% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes the ratings on which would be reduced or withdrawn consent to the supplemental indenture. Prior to the entry into any supplemental Indenture with respect to which a Rating Confirmation for one or more Classes of Notes is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Note informing them of such fact.

At the cost of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee will mail to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Securities), each Rating Agency (for so long as any Notes are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency) and each Hedge Counterparty a copy of any such proposed supplemental indenture at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee (or 60 calendar days before execution in the case of a supplemental indenture for the purpose described in clause (8) above, which shall be identified as such in a certificate of the Servicer delivered to the Trustee before the date on which such notice is required to be given).

*With Consent of Holders*

If the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency, with the consent of (a) the Servicer if the supplemental indenture would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under the Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer, (b) a Majority of each Class of Notes adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of each such Class of Notes and (c) a Majority of the Preference Shares adversely affected thereby, the Trustee and the Co-Issuers may enter into a supplemental indenture to add any provisions to, or change in any manner or eliminate any of the provisions of, the Indenture or modify in any manner the rights of the Holders of the Notes under the Indenture.

Any proposed supplemental indenture that would also necessitate a change to the Issuer Charter (or the memorandum and articles of association of Investors Corp.) may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined therein) has been passed to permit the Issuer’s (or Investors Corp.’s) constitutional

documents to be altered to conform with such proposed change to the Indenture as certified to the Trustee by the Issuer.

Notwithstanding anything in the Indenture to the contrary, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected thereby and the Holder of each Outstanding Preference Share adversely affected thereby, no supplemental indenture shall:

(i) change the Stated Maturity of the principal of or the due date of any installment of interest on any Note or of any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares (other than in the case of any Maturity Extension in connection with an extension of the Replacement Period as described in “—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date”), reduce the principal amount or the rate of interest on any Note, or the Default Interest Rate or the Redemption Price with respect to any Note or Preference Share, or change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Share may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer, change the provisions of the Indenture relating to the application of proceeds of any Collateral to the payment of principal of or interest on Notes or to payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, or change any place where, or the coin or currency in which, Notes or their principal or interest are paid or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after their Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the applicable Redemption Date);

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class or Holders of Preference Shares whose consent is required for the authorization of any such supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of the Indenture or certain defaults under the Indenture or their consequences provided for in the Indenture;

(iii) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on a parity with the lien of the Indenture with respect to any part of the Collateral or terminate the lien on any property at any time subject hereto or deprive the Holder of any Note of the security afforded by the lien of the Indenture;

(iv) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class whose consent is required to request the Trustee to retain the Collateral pursuant to the Indenture or to sell or liquidate the Collateral pursuant to the Indenture;

(v) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture with respect to supplemental indentures or to provide that certain other provisions of the Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note and Preference Share affected thereby;

(vi) modify the definition of “Outstanding,” “Controlling Class,” or “Majority,” or the Priority of Payments in the Indenture; or

(vii) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of Redemption Price or of interest or principal on any Note or any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the payment of dividends or other payments on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date or to affect the rights of the Holders of Notes or Preference Shares to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of the Notes or the Preference Shares contained in the Indenture.

Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the above provision, the Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, will mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of

Holding Securities) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) a copy of such proposed supplemental indenture and will request any required consent from the applicable Holders of Securities to be given within the Initial Consent Period. Any consent given to a proposed supplemental indenture by the Holder of any Securities will be irrevocable and binding on all future Holders or beneficial owners of that Security, irrespective of the execution date of the supplemental indenture. If the Holders of less than the required percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the relevant Securities consent to a proposed supplemental indenture within the Initial Consent Period, on the first Business Day after the Initial Consent Period, the Trustee will notify the Issuer and the Servicer which Holders of Securities have consented to the proposed supplemental indenture and, which Holders (and, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the Trustee, which beneficial owners) have not consented to the proposed supplemental indenture. If it intends to exercise its Amendment Buy-Out Option, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must so notify the Trustee (which notice will designate a date for the Amendment Buy-Out to occur no earlier than 10 Business Days after the date of such notice) no later than five Business Days after the Servicer is so notified by the Trustee and the Trustee will promptly mail such notice to all Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Securities). Any Non-Consenting Holder may give consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture until the 5<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the date of the Amendment Buy-Out designated by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and in such case will cease to be a Non-Consenting Holder for purposes of the Amendment Buy-Out. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser exercises its Amendment Buy-Out Option and purchases the applicable Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, as Holder or beneficial owner of the applicable Securities, may consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture within five Business Days of the Amendment Buy-Out.

It is not necessary for any Act of Noteholders under the above provision to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if the Act or consent approves its substance.

The Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, will mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Securities) and each Rating Agency a copy of any supplemental indenture promptly after its execution by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee.

### **Additional Issuance of Preference Shares**

The Preference Share Documents will provide that, at any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the proceeds from such issuance and sale to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or as otherwise permitted under the Preference Share Documents and the Indenture; *provided* that the following conditions are met: (a) the terms of the Preference Shares issued must be identical to the terms of previously issued Preference Shares and (b) the net proceeds of any additional Preference Shares are used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations. Such additional Preference Shares may be offered and sold at prices that differ from the initial offering prices of the outstanding Preference Shares; *provided* that the initial offering prices of additional Preference Shares shall not be below 100% of the face amount thereof. The Issuer must cause purchases of additional Preference Shares made pursuant to an additional issuance of Preference Shares to comply individually and in the aggregate with the applicable purchase and transfer restrictions for the Preference Shares set forth herein in "Transfer Restrictions" and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

Any additional Preference Shares issued will, to the extent reasonably practicable, be offered by the Issuer first to the existing Holders of the Preference Shares, in such amounts as are necessary to preserve their *pro rata* holdings of the Preference Shares. By its acceptance of the Preference Shares, each Holder of a Preference Share agrees that additional Preference Shares can be issued in accordance with the Preference Share Documents and the Indenture without consent of any Holder of the Securities.

It is expected that Investors Corp. will finance the purchase of any additional Class I Preference Shares issued by the Issuer by issuing additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such additional Class I Preference Shares purchased by it.

Except as contemplated in connection with a Refinancing, the Indenture does not permit the issuance of additional Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2a Notes, Class A-2b Notes, Class A-3 Notes, Class B Notes, Class C Notes or Class D Notes or other obligations with terms similar to those of such Classes of Notes. See “—Redemption by Refinancing.”

### **Amendment Buy-Out**

In the case of any supplemental indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Securities held by such Holders of the Class of Securities whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture or, with respect to any Class I Preference Shares held by Investors Corp. if the consent of the Holders of Holding Securities has been solicited, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holders all Holding Preference Shares held by such Holders (the “**Amendment Buy-Out Option**”), in each case, for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; *provided, however*, that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser may not exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option during the Non-Call Period in connection with a proposed amendment to reduce the rate of interest on any Securities or to change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Shares may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all such Securities of Non-Consenting Holders and all such Holding Preference Shares of the Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holders, as the case may be, in each case, for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an “**Amendment Buy-Out**”); *provided* that if any Non-Consenting Holder holds Class II Preference Shares, (i) such Non-Consenting Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to Investors Corp. and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares, (ii) Investors Corp. will issue additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such redesignated Preference Shares purchased by it and (iii) the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser will purchase such additional Holding Preference Shares in lieu of such redesignated Preference Shares. By its acceptance of its Securities under the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents, as applicable, each Holder of Securities agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder and any Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder will be required to sell its applicable Transaction Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser. Neither the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser nor any other Person shall have any liability to any Holder or beneficial owner of Transaction Securities as a result of an election by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser not to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option.

All purchases made pursuant to an Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Transaction Securities set forth herein in “Transfer Restrictions” or in the Investors Corp. Offering Memorandum, as applicable, and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

### **Notices**

Notices to the Holders of the Securities will be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the registered Holders of the Notes at their respective addresses appearing in the Indenture Register, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Securities). If and for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the ISE and the rules of the exchange so require, notice will also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

Any Holder or beneficial owner of any Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2a Notes or Class A-2b Notes may elect to acquire bond insurance, a surety bond, a credit default swap or similar credit enhancement supporting the payment of principal and/or interest on such Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2a Notes or Class A-2b Notes on terms and conditions acceptable to such Holder or beneficial owner and at the sole expense of such Holder or beneficial owner. On or after any such acquisition, such Holder or beneficial owner may deliver notice (and if from a beneficial owner, any such notice shall include certification that such owner is a beneficial owner of the Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2a Notes or Class A-2b Notes, as applicable) to the Trustee in substantially the form set out in the Indenture, specifying the name and contact information of the insurer, surety, credit protection seller or enhancer of such Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2a Notes or Class A-2b Notes, as applicable (each, an “**Insurer**”). After receipt of any such notice by the Trustee, the Trustee shall copy the related Insurer on all notices, reports or other documents delivered to the Noteholders.

### **Certain Covenants**

The Indenture contains certain covenants restricting the conduct of the Co-Issuers, including (i) restrictions on consolidations, mergers and transfers or conveyances of assets involving either Co-Issuer, (ii) restrictions on incurrence of debt other than the Notes and certain obligations incidental to the performance by each Co-Issuer of its obligations under the Indenture, (iii) restrictions on the ability of either Co-Issuer to conduct activities inconsistent with its special-purpose nature and (iv) certain restrictions on amendments of the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Servicing Agreement.

### **Certain Additional Issues Relating to Listing of Senior Notes**

Application will be made to admit each Class of Senior Notes to the Official List of the ISE. There can be no assurance that any such admission will be granted or maintained.

The Indenture provides that, so long as any Senior Notes remain Outstanding, the Co-Issuers shall use all reasonable efforts to obtain and maintain the listing of the Senior Notes on the regulated market of the ISE; *provided* that the Co-Issuers will not be required to maintain a listing on a stock exchange in the European Union if compliance with requirements of the European Commission on a member state becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer.

### **Cancellation**

All Securities that are paid in full or redeemed and surrendered for cancellation will forthwith be canceled and may not be reissued or resold.

### **No Gross-Up**

All payments made by the Issuer under the Securities will be made without any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax unless the deduction or withholding is required by any applicable law, as modified by the practice of any relevant governmental revenue authority, then in effect. If the Issuer is so required to deduct or withhold, then the Issuer will not be obligated to pay any additional amounts in respect of the withholding or deduction.

### **Petitions for Bankruptcy**

The Indenture provides that the Trustee, each Hedge Counterparty, the Servicer and the Holders of the Notes may not cause the Issuer or Co-Issuer to petition for bankruptcy before one year and one day have elapsed since the final payments to the Holders of all Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, including any period established pursuant to the laws of the Cayman Islands.

## **Standard of Conduct**

The Indenture provides that, in exercising any of its or their voting rights, rights to direct and consent or any other rights as a Noteholder under the Indenture, subject to the terms and conditions of the Indenture, a Noteholder shall not have any obligation or duty to any Person or to consider or take into account the interests of any Person and shall not be liable to any Person for any action taken by it or them or at its or their direction or any failure by it or them to act or to direct that an action be taken, without regard to whether the action or inaction benefits or adversely affects any Noteholder, the Issuer, or any other Person, except for any liability to which the Noteholder may be subject to the extent the same results from the Noteholder's taking or directing an action, or failing to take or direct an action, in bad faith or in violation of the express terms of the Indenture.

## **Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture**

The Indenture will be discharged with respect to the Collateral upon delivery to the Trustee for cancellation of all of the Notes, or, within certain limitations (including the obligation to pay interest on or principal of the Notes) upon deposit with the Trustee of funds sufficient for the payment or redemption thereof and the payment by the Co-Issuers or the Issuer, as applicable, of all other amounts due under the Indenture.

## **Trustee**

Investors Bank & Trust Company will be the Trustee under the Indenture. The Co-Issuers, the Servicer and their respective Affiliates may maintain other banking relationships in the ordinary course of business with the Trustee and its Affiliates. The payment of the fees and expenses of the Trustee relating to the Notes is solely the obligation of the Issuer. The payment of the fees and expenses, which will be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments, is secured by a lien on the Collateral which is senior to the lien of the Holders of the Notes. The Trustee and its Affiliates may receive compensation in connection with the purchase of trust assets in certain Eligible Investments as provided in the Indenture. Eligible Investments may include assets for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee is the obligor or depository institution or provide services. The Indenture contains provisions for the indemnification of the Trustee for any loss, liability or expense (including reasonable attorney's fees and costs) incurred without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of the Indenture.

Pursuant to the Indenture, as security for the payment by the Issuer of the compensation and expenses of the Trustee and any sums the Trustee may be entitled to receive as indemnification by the Issuer, the Issuer will grant the Trustee a senior lien on the Collateral, which is senior to the lien of the holders of the Secured Obligations on the Collateral.

Pursuant to the Indenture, the Trustee may resign at any time by providing 30 days' written notice to the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Holders of each Class of Notes, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Securities) and each Rating Agency, upon receipt of which the Co-Issuers shall by board resolution (or, if an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class) promptly appoint a successor trustee that meets the requirements set forth in the Indenture. If no successor trustee is appointed within 60 days after such notice, the resigning Trustee or any Holder of a Class of Notes may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of such successor. The Trustee may be removed (i) at any time by the Co-Issuers as directed by board resolution (or, if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, by a Majority of the Controlling Class) or (ii) by order of a court of competent jurisdiction. If at any time the Trustee ceases to be an eligible trustee under the Indenture and fails to resign after written request by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class, or the Trustee becomes incapable of acting or is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent, then (A) the Co-Issuers may, and at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall, remove the Trustee, or (B) any Holder of a Security may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor trustee. If the



Trustee is removed or becomes incapable of acting, or if a vacancy occurs in the office of the Trustee for any reason (other than resignation), the Co-Issuers shall promptly appoint a successor trustee. If the Co-Issuers fail to appoint a successor trustee within 60 days after the removal or incapability or the occurrence of the vacancy, a successor trustee may be appointed by a Majority of the Controlling Class by written instrument. If no successor trustee has been so appointed by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class, then the Trustee to be replaced or any Holder of a Security, may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor trustee. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, no resignation or removal of the Trustee will become effective until the acceptance of appointment by a successor trustee pursuant to the terms of the Indenture.

### **Governing Law**

The Notes, the Indenture, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Subscription Agreements, the Securities Lending Agreements, and the Hedge Agreements will be governed by the laws of the State of New York. The Administration Agreement and the Issuer Charter will be governed by the laws of the Cayman Islands.

### **Method of Payments**

Payments of principal and interest on any Note or payments on or in respect of the Preference Shares (including any Redemption Price paid on the applicable Redemption Date) and of any payments on any Notes or Preference Shares will be made to the person in whose name the related Note or Preference Share is registered 15 days before the applicable Payment Date (the “**Record Date**”). Payments will be made (i) in the case of a Global Note, to the Depository or its designee and to the Holder or its nominee with respect to a Definitive Security, by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a United States dollar account maintained by the Depository or its nominee with respect to a Global Note and to the Holder or its designee with respect to a Definitive Security if the Holder has provided written wiring instructions to the Trustee and, if the payment is to be made by the Irish Paying Agent, the Irish Paying Agent on or before the related Record Date or, (ii) if appropriate wiring instructions are not received by the related Record Date, by check drawn on a U.S. bank mailed to the address of the Holder in the Indenture Register (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Preference Share register). Final payments of principal of the Notes or Preference Shares will be made against surrender of the related Notes or Preference Shares at the office designated by the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent. None of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, any paying agent, or any of their respective affiliates will have any responsibility or liability for any aspects of the records maintained by the Depository or its nominee or any of its direct or indirect participants (including Euroclear or Clearstream or any of their respective direct or indirect participants) relating to payments made on account of beneficial interests in a Global Note.

The Co-Issuers expect that the Depository or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment of principal or interest in respect of a Global Note held by the Depository or its nominee, will immediately credit participants’ accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the Global Note as shown on the records of the Depository or its nominee. The Co-Issuers also expect that payments by participants (i.e., direct participants) to owners of beneficial interests in a Global Note held through the participants (i.e., indirect participants) will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers registered in the names of nominees for the customers. The payments will be the responsibility of the participants.

For so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the ISE and the rules of the exchange shall so require, the Issuer and the Co-Issuers, as applicable, will have the Irish Paying Agent for the Senior Notes in Ireland and payments on the Senior Notes may be effected through the Irish Paying Agent. If the Irish Paying Agent is replaced at any time during the period, notice of the appointment of any replacement will be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

## **Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement**

### *General*

Pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agent will perform various fiscal services with respect to the Preference Shares on behalf of the Issuer, including the maintenance of the Preference Shares Distribution Account and the making of distributions on the Preference Shares. The Preference Shares Paying Agent will deliver or request the Trustee to deliver all Monthly Reports and Valuation Reports prepared pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deliver, or shall cause the Trustee to deliver, a copy of any other notice or information it receives from the Trustee under the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case (i) by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to each Holder of a Preference Share at the address appearing in the Preference Share register or (ii) with respect to delivery of Monthly Reports and Valuation Reports, by making such reports available via its internet website, initially located at <http://www.cdocalc.com/ibt/cdo/>. All information made available on the Preference Shares Paying Agent's website will be restricted and the Preference Shares Paying Agent will only provide access to such reports to those parties entitled thereto pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. In connection with providing access to its website, the Preference Shares Paying Agent may require registration and the acceptance of a disclaimer. Questions regarding the Preference Shares Paying Agent's website can be directed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent's customer service desk at (617) 937-5585. The payment of the fees and expenses of the Preference Shares Paying Agent is solely the obligation of the Issuer. The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement contains provisions for the indemnification of the Preference Shares Paying Agent for any loss, liability or expense incurred without gross negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith on its part, arising out of or in connection with the performance of its function under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

### *Redemption*

On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Issuer is scheduled to redeem the Preference Shares for a redemption price equal to all amounts distributable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares as provided under “—Priority of Payments,” unless the Preference Shares have been redeemed earlier through an optional redemption as described herein or otherwise.

### *Governing Law*

The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York. The rights of the Holders of the Preference Shares will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the Cayman Islands.

### *Redesignation of Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares*

The Share Registrar will record in the register maintained by it which Preference Shares are held by HFP or any of its subsidiaries. Such Preference Shares will be designated by the Share Registrar as Class II Preference Shares. HFP and its subsidiaries will agree not to transfer any of the Class II Preference Shares to any third party other than Investors Corp. Any transfer of Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to Investors Corp. will require redesignation by the Share Registrar of such Class II Preference Shares into Class I Preference Shares and any transfer of Class I Preference Shares to HFP or any of its subsidiaries from Investors Corp. will require redesignation by the Share Registrar of such Class I Preference Shares into Class II Preference Shares. Investors Corp. will finance the purchase of any Class II Preference Shares to be redesignated in connection with such transfer by issuing additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such Class II Preference Shares.

### *Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities*

If the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, desires to make distributions of Eligible Equity Securities on any Payment Date in lieu of Interest Proceeds that are otherwise available for distribution to the Holders of Preference Shares on such Payment Date pursuant to the Priority of Payments, the Servicer will notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent not later than 20 calendar days prior to such Payment Date and provide the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding on the Record Date or promptly thereafter, but in any event no later than two Business Days after the Record Date, to each Holder of the Preference Shares registered as such on the Record Date for such Payment Date) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding on the Record Date or promptly thereafter, but in any event no later than two Business Days after the Record Date, to each Holder of the Holding Securities registered as such on the Record Date for such Payment Date) with (i) details of the Eligible Equity Securities to be distributed, (ii) the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities determined as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date, (iii) any other information considered necessary by the Servicer in connection with such proposed distribution and (iv) any information as otherwise required by the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and/or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such proposed distribution. The Preference Shares Paying Agent will then mail such materials, within two Business Days of its receipt thereof from the Servicer, to each registered Holder of Preference Shares on the Record Date for such Payment Date along with a form of notice and consent (in a form attached to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement) seeking the written consent of each such Holder of Preference Shares to distribute such Eligible Equity Securities to such Holder in lieu of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date. Each Holder of the Preference Shares wishing to receive such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of a distribution of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such applicable Payment Date (each such Holder with respect to such Payment Date, a “**Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares**”) must deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent a written consent (which consent will be irrevocable) not later than five Business Days prior to such Payment Date. If any Holder of Preference Shares does not timely deliver its written consent to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in the manner set forth in such notice indicating its consent to the receipt of such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of a distribution of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date, such Holder will be deemed to have not given its consent and shall not be a Consenting Holder of Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. On each applicable Payment Date (or as soon thereafter as reasonably practicable), Eligible Equity Securities will be distributed *pro rata* to each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. Each Holder of Preference Shares that is not a Consenting Holder of Preference Shares (and, for the avoidance of doubt, each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares to the extent the Market Value as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date of the *pro rata* portion of Eligible Equity Securities distributed to it on such Payment Date is less than the *pro rata* portion of the Interest Proceeds that it would have received on such Payment Date had the Eligible Equity Securities not been distributed on such Payment Date) on any applicable Payment Date will receive a distribution of Interest Proceeds to the extent available in accordance with the Priority of Payments on such Payment Date. See “Description of the Securities-Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

### *Amendment*

*Without the Consent of Holders.* The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement may be amended by the parties thereto, without the consent of the Holders of any Preference Shares, for the purpose of curing any ambiguity, or of curing, correcting or supplementing any defective provision contained therein, or in regard to matters or questions arising under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement as the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem necessary or desirable and which shall not materially adversely affect the interests of Holders of the Preference Shares. In addition, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement may be amended without the consent of any Holders of the Preference Shares and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Preference Shares in order to prevent the Issuer from becoming an “investment

company” as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); *provided that*, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such amendment, each of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer shall have received a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such amendment, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

*With the consent of Holders.* Unless otherwise set forth in the preceding paragraph, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement may be amended with the consent of Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares materially and adversely affected thereby.

Any amendment to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement must be in writing, executed by each party thereto. The Preference Shares Paying Agent is entitled to receive, and (subject to the terms of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an opinion of counsel, consent or certificate of the Issuer in determining whether or not any proposed amendment is permitted under Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

Any amendment to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement that would also necessitate a change to the Issuer Charter may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Issuer Charter) has been passed to permit the Issuer Charter to be altered to conform with such proposed amendment.

## **The Issuer Charter**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Issuer Charter relating to the Preference Shares that are not referred to elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum.

### *Voting Rights*

Other than as provided below, only the holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares shall have the right to receive notice of, attend at and vote as a shareholder of the Issuer at any general meeting of the Issuer. Every holder of an Issuer Ordinary Share present at any meeting shall, on a show of hands, be entitled to one vote and, on a poll, shall be entitled to one vote per Issuer Ordinary Share held by such holder.

Other than as provided below, the Holders of the Preference Shares shall have the right to receive notice of, attend at and vote as a shareholder of the Issuer at any general meeting of the Issuer only in respect of a resolution which relates to any circumstance or matter which under the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents or the Servicing Agreement can take place or occur only at the direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares (a “**Preference Share Vote**”). Every Holder of Preference Shares present shall, on a show of hands, be entitled to one vote and, on a poll, shall be entitled to one vote per Preference Share held by such Holder except that, in relation to a Preference Share Vote relating to certain matters (as set out in the Indenture) Preference Shares held by certain Holders (as set out in the Indenture), shall be ignored.

The Class II Preference Shares will have total control with respect to the appointment and removal of the directors of the Issuer as long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is higher than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date. If the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is lower than or equal to the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date, only the Issuer Ordinary Shares will be entitled to vote with respect to the appointment and removal of the directors of the Issuer.

### *Liquidation*

In the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Issuer:

(i) the Holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares at the time outstanding will be entitled to receive out of the assets of the Issuer available for distribution to shareholders, before any distribution of assets is made to Holders of the Preference Shares, an amount equal to U.S.\$2.00 in respect of each Issuer Ordinary Share held by each such holder; and

(ii) the Holders of the Preference Shares at the time Outstanding will be entitled to the balance of the assets of the Issuer available for distribution to shareholders, after distribution of amounts due to holders of Issuer Ordinary Shares under the above subparagraph, *pro rata* according to the number of Preference Shares held by each such holder.

If the assets available for distribution to holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares are not sufficient to pay to such holders U.S.\$2.00 in respect of each Issuer Ordinary Share, the available assets shall be distributed to holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares *pro rata* according to the number of Issuer Ordinary Shares held by each such holder.

### *Transfer*

The rights of a Holder of a Preference Share to transfer such Preference Share are subject to restrictions set out in the Preference Share Documents and as described in “Transfer Restrictions.”

### *Petitions for Bankruptcy*

Each Holder of a Preference Share will be required to agree (or be deemed to have agreed) not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect.

## **USE OF PROCEEDS**

The Securities will be issued and sold for Cash on the Closing Date. The gross proceeds from the issuance of such Securities on the Closing Date are expected to equal approximately U.S.\$1,531,600,000 and will be used by the Issuer to:

- purchase a portfolio of Collateral Obligations;
- fund the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to cover any future draws on Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans;
- enter into any Hedge Agreements, as applicable;
- enter into Synthetic Security Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the related accounts);
- repurchase participations sold to the Pre-Closing Parties to finance the Issuer’s pre-closing acquisition of loans;
- fund the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account;
- pay certain expenses related to the transaction; and
- undertake certain related activities.

## SECURITY FOR THE NOTES

The Notes and the Issuer's obligations under the Hedge Agreements and the Servicing Agreement will be secured by the following:

- (i) the Collateral Obligations and all Workout Assets;
- (ii) the Custodial Account, the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Securities Lending Account (such accounts, collectively, the "**Issuer Accounts**"), Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, and all income from funds in the Issuer Accounts;
- (iii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account (and together with the Issuer Accounts, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account and the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the "**Accounts**") and assets included therein, subject to the terms of the related Synthetic Security (*provided, however*, that any such rights in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee (or securities intermediary) first to secure the Issuer's payment obligations to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty and second for the benefit of the Secured Parties);
- (iv) the Servicing Agreement, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Securities Lending Agreements and all Securities Lending Collateral and the Securities Lending Account, the Hedge Agreements as set forth in the Indenture and all Collateral securing the Hedge Counterparty's obligations thereunder including, without limitation, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account and the Collateral Administration Agreement to the extent of any rights of the Issuer therein;
- (v) all Cash or money delivered to the Trustee (or its bailee); and
- (vi) all proceeds with respect to the foregoing (collectively, the "**Collateral**").

For the avoidance of any doubt, Collateral will exclude (i) amounts released from the Trustee's lien in connection with certain Synthetic Securities, Hedge Agreements and Securities Lending Agreements in accordance with the Indenture and (ii) the Excluded Property.

### Purchase of Collateral Obligations

The Indenture will provide that the Servicer will use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the Issuer to purchase or enter into binding commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations that meet certain minimum amounts and characteristics. The composition of the portfolio of Collateral Obligations will be determined by the selections of the Servicer designed to meet the Eligibility Criteria, the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests and the requirements provided in paragraphs (i) through (ix) in "—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations." See "—Eligibility Criteria," "—The Collateral Quality Tests," "—The Coverage Tests" and "—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations."

The Servicer expects that, by the end of the Ramp-Up Period, the Issuer will have purchased or committed to purchase Collateral Obligations having an Aggregate Principal Balance of approximately \$1,500,000,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date).

## Eligibility Criteria

On any date during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, on any date after the Replacement Period), so long as no Event of Default is continuing, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to apply Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations) to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) if the conditions specified in the Indenture are satisfied. No obligations may be purchased unless each of the conditions in the following clauses (1) through (12) (the "**Eligibility Criteria**") is satisfied as evidenced by a certificate of the Servicer as of the date the Issuer commits to make the purchase, in each case after giving effect to the purchase and all other purchases and sales previously or simultaneously committed to:

- (1) the obligation is a Collateral Obligation;
- (2) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period:
  - (A) each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied and, if the commitment is made on or after the second Payment Date, each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied; or
  - (B) if any such Coverage Test is not satisfied, both:
    - (i) the extent of satisfaction of the Coverage Test is not reduced; and
    - (ii) the Collateral Obligation is being purchased with Principal Proceeds other than:
      - (x) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or
      - (y) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Workout Asset that has been received in exchange for a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
- (3) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Diversity Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (4) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (5) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, each of the limits in the definition of "Concentration Limitations" is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (6) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (7) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (8) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

- (9) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (10) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (11) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced; *provided, however*, that this Eligibility Criterion (11) shall not apply either to the application of the proceeds from the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset or to the application of Principal Proceeds in respect of Defaulted Collateral Obligations; and
- (12) for any date occurring after the Replacement Period:
  - (A) each Coverage Test is satisfied and the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
  - (B) each Collateral Quality Test is maintained or improved and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied;
  - (C) each Concentration Limitation is maintained or improved and the Aggregate Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations do not exceed 7.5% of the Maximum Amount;
  - (D) the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied;
  - (E) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation is at least equal to the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments or of the Credit Risk Obligations or Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable; and
  - (F) the current Moody's Rating on Class A-1 Notes and Class A-2a Notes is "Aaa" and the current Moody's Ratings on the Class A-2b Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes are no lower than one subcategory below their initial rating.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) one or more Collateral Obligations may be purchased pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange effected in compliance with "—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations—Credit Improved Obligations" regardless of whether such purchase would otherwise satisfy the Eligibility Criterion set forth in clause (12) above and (ii) the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to purchase any Collateral Obligation following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal or resignation pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement until a successor servicer is appointed pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement. See "The Servicing Agreement."

The Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, exchange a Collateral Obligation for another Collateral Obligation in an exchange of one security for another security of the same issuers that has substantially identical terms except transfer restrictions.

Cash on deposit in the Collection Account may be held in Eligible Investments in accordance with this "Eligibility Criteria" section pending the application thereof to purchase Collateral Obligations.

The Indenture provides that any sale or purchase by the Issuer of a Collateral Obligation shall be conducted on an arm's length basis and, if effected with the Servicer or a person Affiliated with the



Servicer or any fund or account for which the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer acts as investment adviser, shall be effected in accordance with the requirements the Servicing Agreement on terms no less favorable to the Issuer than would be the case if the person were not so Affiliated.

### **The Collateral Quality Tests**

The Collateral Quality Tests will be used primarily as criteria for purchasing Collateral Obligations. See “—Eligibility Criteria” above and “—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations” below. The Collateral Quality Tests are described below.

Measurement of the degree of compliance with the Collateral Quality Tests will be required on each Measurement Date on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

#### *The Diversity Test*

The “**Diversity Test**” is a test that will be satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Diversity Score as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score. For the purposes of calculating the Diversity Test, any Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation will be disregarded.

#### *Weighted Average Life Test*

The “**Weighted Average Life Test**” is a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the greater of (a) the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and May 1, 2017 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date and (b) 3 years.

#### *Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test*

The “**Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test**” is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody’s Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 43.2%.

#### *Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test*

The “**Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test**” is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate for each Class of Notes is greater than or equal to: (i) with respect to the Class A-1 Notes, 52.4%; (ii) with respect to the Class A-2 Notes, 52.4%; (iii) with respect to the Class A-3 Notes, 56.0%; (iv) with respect to the Class B Notes, 59.6%; (v) with respect to the Class C Notes, 62.4% and (vi) with respect to the Class D Notes, 65.1%.

“**S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate**” is, for a Class of Notes, a rate, as of any Measurement Date, equal to the number obtained by:

- (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate specified in the S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix for the S&P Priority Category of such Collateral Obligation under the S&P Rating that is the then current S&P Rating on such Class of Notes;
- (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations; and
- (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

*Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test*

The “**Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test**” is a test that is satisfied if, as of any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 7.5%.

*Weighted Average Spread Test*

The “**Weighted Average Spread Test**” is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread.

*Weighted Average Rating Factor Test*

The “**Weighted Average Rating Factor Test**” is a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of the Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor.

*S&P CDO Monitor Test*

The “**S&P CDO Monitor Test**” is a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive. The S&P CDO Monitor Test shall be considered to be improved if each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is at least equal to the corresponding Note Class Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio. The S&P CDO Monitor Test is not required to be satisfied or improved upon the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation and the application of the related Sale Proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations. For purposes of the S&P CDO Monitor Test:

- (i) the S&P Rating of any S&P Unrated DIP Loan shall be “CCC”; and
- (ii) the S&P Industry Classification for a Synthetic Security shall be that of the related Reference Obligation and not the Synthetic Security.

The “**Note Class Loss Differential**” with respect to any Measurement Date and any Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the rate calculated by subtracting the Class Scenario Loss Rate for the Class from the then-applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate for the Class of Notes.

The “**Note Break-Even Loss Rate**” with respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the maximum percentage of defaults that the Current Portfolio or Proposed Portfolio can sustain and nevertheless sufficient funds will remain for the payment of principal of the Class of Notes in full by its Stated Maturity and the timely payment of interest on the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes and the Class A-3 Notes and the ultimate payment of interest on the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes using S&P’s assumptions on recoveries, defaults, and timing, and taking into account the Priority of Payments and the adjusted Weighted Average Spread level specified in the applicable row of the table below. The adjusted Weighted Average Spread as of any Measurement Date is the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date *minus* the amount of any Spread Excess added to the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon as of the Measurement Date.

<b>Row</b>	<b>Adjusted Weighted Average Spread</b>
1	Greater than or equal to 3.00%
2	Greater than or equal to 2.90% but less than 3.00%
3	Greater than or equal to 2.80% but less than 2.90%
4	Greater than or equal to 2.70% but less than 2.80%
5	Greater than or equal to 2.60% but less than 2.70%
6	Greater than or equal to 2.50% but less than 2.60%
7	Greater than or equal to 2.40% but less than 2.50%
8	Greater than or equal to 2.30% but less than 2.40%
9	Greater than or equal to 2.20% but less than 2.30%

### **The Coverage Tests**

#### *General*

The Coverage Tests will be used to determine, among other things, whether Notes will be redeemed in certain circumstances as described under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments” and whether additional Collateral Obligations may be acquired as described under “—Eligibility Criteria.” There will not be any Coverage Test applicable to the Preference Shares.

#### *The Overcollateralization Tests*

The “**Overcollateralization Tests**” will consist of the Class A Overcollateralization Test, the Class B Overcollateralization Test, the Class C Overcollateralization Test and the Class D Overcollateralization Test.

Each Overcollateralization Test will be satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes on any Measurement Date if, as of such Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the specified required level for the Class indicated in the table in “Summary of Terms—The Overcollateralization Tests.”

The Overcollateralization Ratio, with respect to each Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, is referred to as an “**Overcollateralization Ratio**,” and is the ratio calculated by *dividing*:

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator; by
- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it (excluding any Deferred Interest on the Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it).

The “**Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator**” is, on any date, the sum of:

- (1) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (other than any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, any Deep Discount Obligations and any Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an “event of default” (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing); *plus*

- (2) unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal (excluding any unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal in respect of Non-Performing Collateral Obligations); *plus*
- (3) the Aggregate Principal Balance of any Eligible Investments that were purchased with Principal Proceeds and the amount of Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
- (4) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Eligible Investments on deposit in a Securities Lending Account that relate to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an “event of default” (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing; *plus*
- (5) with respect to Collateral Obligations that are Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, Deep Discount Obligations or Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, the amount determined by using one of the following methods applicable to such type of Collateral Obligation; *provided* that if a Collateral Obligation falls within more than one of such types, the Issuer will be required to use the method that results in the smallest amount:
  - (A) with respect to any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, an amount equal to the product of (i) the CCC+/Caa1 Excess Market Value Percentage, *multiplied* by (ii) the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations;
  - (B) with respect to any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, the aggregate of the Applicable Collateral Obligation Amounts for all included Non-Performing Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations that have been held by the Issuer for more than three years, which shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this clause (B)); and
  - (C) with respect to any Deep Discount Obligations, the Aggregate Purchase Price Amount for all Deep Discount Obligations.

“**Applicable Collateral Obligation Amount**” for any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation means:

- (1) the lesser of (x) the Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation and (y) the Applicable Percentage for the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation *multiplied* by:
- (2) if the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation is:
  - (A) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (B) through (D) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
  - (B) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
  - (C) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer’s obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and
  - (D) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

As used in the calculation of Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation, the Principal Balance of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall be, if the Defaulted Collateral Obligation is:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (ii) through (iv) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and
- (iv) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

*The Interest Coverage Tests*

The Interest Coverage Test in respect of each Class of Notes (each an “**Interest Coverage Test**”) is a test the first Measurement Date for which will be on the second Payment Date and that is satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level specified in the table in “Summary of Terms— The Interest Coverage Tests.”

The “**Interest Coverage Ratio**” with respect to any specified Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by dividing:

- (i) the sum of:
  - (A) the Interest Proceeds received or scheduled to be received with respect to the Due Period in which the Measurement Date occurs; *minus*
  - (B) amounts payable under clauses (1), (2), (3) and (4) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” on the related Payment Date; by
- (ii) all accrued and unpaid interest on the specified Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to the Class, including any Deferred Interest on the related Payment Date.

For purposes of the Interest Coverage Ratio, only the amount of any interest payment (including any “gross up” payment) on any Collateral Obligation in excess of any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction on any date of determination shall be included in Interest Proceeds.

*Retention Overcollateralization Test*

The “**Retention Overcollateralization Test**” is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date during the Replacement Period on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Retention Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 103.5%.

**Ramp-Up**

In connection with the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer shall use its best efforts to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period or enter into commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period for purchase on or as soon as practicable thereafter (not to exceed 60 days thereafter), in each case, for inclusion in the Collateral so that the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A Notes is at least U.S.\$1,500,000,000.

No Collateral Obligations may be purchased prior to the Ramp-Up Completion Date unless immediately following the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (as certified by the Servicer in writing), the remaining funds in the Collection Account, after giving effect to such purchase, are sufficient as of the date of determination to purchase Collateral Obligations for inclusion in the Collateral so that the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A Notes is at least U.S.\$ 1,500,000,000 (taking into account the Collateral Obligations already part of the Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date)).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, or any other provision of the Indenture, if the Issuer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase a Collateral Obligation to be included in the Collateral, such commitment initially not to exceed 60 days, and at the time of the commitment the Collateral Obligation complied with the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and the requirements set forth under “—Ramp-Up,” the Issuer may consummate the purchase of the Collateral Obligation notwithstanding that the Collateral Obligation fails to comply with the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and the requirements set out above on the date of settlement.

The Issuer will use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase, or to enter into binding agreements to purchase, Collateral Obligations by the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that, together with the Collateral Obligations purchased on or before the Closing Date and then held by the Issuer, will satisfy, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date), the Collateral Quality Tests, the Concentration Limitations, the criteria set forth in the Indenture and the Overcollateralization Tests.

Within five Business Days after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer or the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) shall request a S&P Rating Confirmation and shall provide a report to the Rating Agencies identifying the Collateral Obligations then included in the Collateral and the Issuer shall obtain and deliver to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies, together with the delivery of a report (and, with respect to S&P, the Excel Default Model Input File and, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, the name of the obligor thereon, the CUSIP number thereof (if applicable) and the S&P Priority Category thereof) substantially in the form of a Monthly Report as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, an accountants’ certificate:

(i) confirming the maturity date, rating, spread and recovery rate for each item of original Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date and the information provided by the Issuer with respect to every other asset included in the Collateral, by reference to such sources as shall be specified therein;

(ii) confirming that as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date:

(1) each of the Coverage Tests are satisfied;

(2) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owned or committed to purchase as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date is at least equal to the Maximum Amount; and

(3) the Collateral Obligations comply with all of the requirements of the Collateral Quality Tests and the Concentration Limitations; and

(iii) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing statements.

If a Rating Confirmation Failure should occur, the Notes will be redeemed pursuant to the Indenture and as described in “Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes upon Rating Confirmation Failure.”

### **Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations**

Pursuant to the Indenture and so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell (and the Trustee will sell) any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset if the sale meets the requirements in paragraphs (i) through (ix) below:

- (i) *Credit Risk Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Risk Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Risk Obligation in accordance with such direction. Following any sale of a Credit Risk Obligation pursuant to the Indenture, at the direction of the Servicer during the Replacement Period, the Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (to the extent the purchase is in the best interest of the Issuer) meeting the Eligibility Criteria with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Sale Proceeds received by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral Obligation sold. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount.
- (ii) *Credit Improved Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Improved Obligation if either:
  - (1) during the Replacement Period, the Servicer has identified in writing before the sale one or more specific manners in which it will be able, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria and the requirements set forth in paragraph (ix) below, to cause the Issuer to use the Sale Proceeds (it being understood that such identification shall not be considered either a requirement or an assurance that any specified purchase will be consummated) to purchase one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Credit Improved Obligation by the end of the immediately succeeding Due Period (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest) which in aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Tests, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith being improved, (ii) the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests and Concentration Limitations being improved on a net basis in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased; and
  - (2) after the Replacement Period, the Sale Proceeds received in respect of the Credit Improved Obligation are at least equal to its Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance

shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest);

and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Improved Obligation in accordance with such direction.

- (iii) *Non-Performing Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction. Non-Performing Collateral Obligations may be sold regardless of price.
- (iv) *Non-qualifying Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation (the “**Non-Qualifying Collateral Obligation**”) at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell that obligation in accordance with such direction.
- (v) *Withholding Tax Sales.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation subject to withholding tax at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction.
- (vi) *Optional Redemption.* After the Issuer has notified the Trustee of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all or a portion of the Collateral Obligations as contemplated therein if (A) the requirements in respect of an Optional Redemption under the Indenture have been satisfied and (B) the independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to the Indenture have confirmed the calculations contained in any required certificate furnished by the Servicer pursuant to the Indenture’s Note redemption procedure provisions. After the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares have directed an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Indenture, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all of the remaining Collateral Obligations (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to clause (i) under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares”) or a portion of the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous directions of Holders of the Preference Shares (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to clause (ii) under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares”) and the Trustee shall sell the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.
- (vii) *Rating Confirmation Failure.* After the Servicer has received notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody’s and S&P to confirm the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Securities, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell Collateral Obligations as contemplated in the Indenture and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.
- (viii) *Workout Assets.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Workout Asset at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and regardless of price and the Trustee shall sell the Workout Assets in accordance with such direction.



- (ix) *Supervening Requirement.* Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Issuer (at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise) will not acquire or dispose of a Collateral Obligation or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. For the avoidance of doubt, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise, may direct the Trustee to sell any CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation or Deep Discount Obligation only (a) if it constitutes Credit Risk Obligation or Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or (b) in connection with the Optional Redemption as set out in paragraph (vi) above. The Trustee will have no obligation to monitor compliance by the Issuer or the Servicer with respect to the requirement set out in this paragraph.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation (other than the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation or a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation pursuant to a sale that meets the requirements in paragraph (i) or (iii) above, as applicable) following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement until a successor servicer is appointed pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement. See “The Servicing Agreement.”

### **Certain Determinations Relating to Collateral Obligations**

The Indenture provides that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained therein, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have purchased any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to purchase, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to receive such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have acquired, granted or delivered, as the case may be, such Collateral Obligations on such date.

The Indenture provides that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained therein, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to sell, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to sell, and requiring the purchaser to purchase, such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold such Collateral Obligations on such date.

Under the circumstances described in the two preceding paragraphs, if the transaction contemplated by the contract, commitment letter, confirmation or due bill referred to therein does not settle on or before the 60<sup>th</sup> day following the scheduled settlement date (the “**Deadline**”), the deemed purchase or sale shall be deemed not to have occurred; *provided, however*, that the Servicer shall have the right to extend the Deadline for an additional period (not to exceed an additional 60 days) by notice to the Trustee, which notice shall include the Servicer’s certification to the effect that the Servicer believes that the settlement shall occur on or before the extended Deadline.

Scheduled distributions with respect to any Pledged Collateral Obligation shall be determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Indenture.

### **The Accounts**

The Indenture provides that the Trustee will establish separate segregated non-interest bearing trust accounts, which will be designated as the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Custodial Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Securities Lending Account and the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account. In addition, Synthetic Security Counterparty Accounts may also be established. Any account may contain any number of subaccounts.

*Collection Account.* The Trustee shall deposit into the “**Collection Account:**”

- (i) any funds transferred from (1) the Closing Date Expense Account pursuant to the Indenture or (2) the Interest Reserve Account pursuant to the Indenture;
- (ii) all Principal Proceeds (unless (1) simultaneously used to purchase Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture, (2) deposited into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or (3) posted by the Issuer as cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer’s purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security or in Eligible Investments) received by the Trustee;
- (iii) all Interest Proceeds received by the Trustee (unless simultaneously used to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture or in Eligible Investments); and
- (iv) all other funds received by the Trustee from the Collateral and not excluded above.

The Issuer and the Servicer may, but will not be required to, jointly deposit from time to time any monies in the Collection Account it deems, in its sole discretion, to be advisable (and may designate any amounts so deposited as Principal Proceeds or Interest Proceeds in its discretion).

Any Principal Proceeds received during the Replacement Period, and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments received after the Replacement Period, which have not been used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations on the Business Day of receipt shall be deposited in the Collection Account and shall at the direction of the Servicer be applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the other requirements set forth in the Indenture or the purchase of Eligible Investments pending such application or used to enter into additional Hedge Agreements or used in connection with a Special Redemption. Principal Proceeds (other than Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations, Credit Risk Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments) received after the Replacement Period shall be deposited into the Collection Account and applied to the purchase of Eligible Investments.

The Collection Account shall be maintained for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer and each Hedge Counterparty and amounts on deposit in the Collection Account will be available for application in the order of priority under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments” and for the acquisition of Collateral Obligations under the circumstances and pursuant to the requirements in the Indenture. Amounts received in the Collection Account during a Due Period and amounts received in prior Due Periods and retained in the Collection Account under the circumstances stated above in “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments” will be applied in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions). All proceeds deposited in the Collection Account will be retained therein unless used to purchase Collateral Obligations during the Replacement Period (or, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period) in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria, to honor commitments with respect thereto entered into during or after the Replacement Period, or used as otherwise permitted under the Indenture. See “—Eligibility Criteria.”

The Trustee shall transfer to the Payment Account from the Collection Account for application pursuant to the Priority of Payments, no later than the Business Day preceding each Payment Date, the amount set forth to be so transferred in the Valuation Report for the Payment Date.

At any time during or after the Replacement Period, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to pay from amounts on deposit in the Collection Account on any Business Day

during any Interest Period from Interest Proceeds only, any Administrative Expenses that require payment before the next Payment Date to the extent that the amount of the payments does not exceed the aggregate amount that may be paid on the next payment Date under, and at the level of priority specified by, “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

*Custodial Account.* The Trustee will from time to time deposit collateral into the “**Custodial Account**,” over which the Trustee will have exclusive control and sole right of withdrawal, in accordance with the Indenture. All assets or securities at any time on deposit in or otherwise to the credit of the Custodial Account will be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer and each Hedge Counterparty.

*Revolving Reserve Account and Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account.* Upon the purchase of any Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, at the direction of the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit Principal Proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account, in the case of a Revolving Loan, and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, in the case of a Delayed Drawdown Loan, each equal to the unfunded commitment amount of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, respectively, and the Principal Proceeds so deposited shall be considered part of the Purchase Price of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan for purposes of the Indenture. At the direction of the Servicer at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall withdraw funds from the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to fund extensions of credit pursuant to Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans, respectively. In addition, to the extent that the Issuer receives proceeds of a repayment in respect of a Revolving Loan (except to the extent of any concurrent commitment reduction) at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall deposit the proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account.

Upon the sale of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan in whole or in part or the reduction in part or termination of the Issuer’s commitment thereunder, an amount on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, as the case may be, specified by the Servicer as being equal to (i) the unfunded amount of the commitment (in the case of a sale in whole or a termination of the commitment), (ii) the proportionate amount of the amount on deposit (in the case of a sale in part) or (iii) the amount by which the commitment is reduced (in the case of a reduction thereof in part), shall be transferred by the Trustee to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds.

Amounts on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account will be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) not later than the Business Day after the date of their purchase. All interest and other income from amounts in the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account under the Indenture shall be considered Interest Proceeds in the Due Period in which they are so deposited.

*Synthetic Security Collateral Account.* On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Synthetic Security the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the non-interest bearing trust account established for Synthetic Security Collateral (the “**Synthetic Security Collateral Account**”) with respect to the Synthetic Security. All Synthetic Security Collateral posted by any Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Synthetic Security shall be immediately deposited into the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Synthetic Security. On each day on which amounts are payable to the Issuer out of Synthetic Security Collateral, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to withdraw amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in an amount sufficient to make the payment (including any total or partial release of Synthetic Security Collateral). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be:

- (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty to the Issuer under a Synthetic Security if the Synthetic Security becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the Synthetic Security upon any “event of default”

under and as defined in the terms of the Synthetic Security, including liquidating the related Synthetic Security Collateral Account; or

- (ii) to return the Synthetic Security Collateral to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty when and as required by the terms of the Synthetic Security, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account will be held in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities not later than one Business Day after their purchase, as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions), and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.* The Trustee will deposit all collateral received from a Hedge Counterparty under any Hedge Agreement into the “**Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.**” The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account will be (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer under a Hedge Agreement if the Hedge Agreement becomes subject to early termination or (ii) to return collateral to the relevant Hedge Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Hedge Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer. Amounts on deposit in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account will be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Closing Date Expense Account.* Amounts deposited in the “**Closing Date Expense Account**” on the Closing Date will be withdrawn to pay certain administrative expenses of the Co-Issuers. On the Payment Date in November 2007 (or, at the discretion of the Servicer, on the Payment Date in August 2007), the Trustee, at the direction of the Servicer in its sole discretion, shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account to the Collection Account as Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds and close the Closing Date Expense Account. Amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account shall be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the second Payment Date as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Expense Reimbursement Account.* On any Payment Date and on any date between Payment Dates, the Trustee will apply amounts, if any, in the “**Expense Reimbursement Account**” to the payment of expenses and fees that must be paid between Payment Dates or that are due on that Payment Date under clause (1) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” and the Trustee shall on any Payment Date transfer to the Expense Reimbursement Account an amount equal to the excess, if any of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts due under clause (1) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” to the Expense Reimbursement Account in accordance with clause (2) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.” Amounts on deposit in the Expense Reimbursement Account shall be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions), no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date.

*Securities Lending Account.* The Trustee will deposit all Securities Lending Collateral posted by any Securities Lending Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Securities Lending Agreement in a non-interest bearing trust account (the “**Securities Lending Account**”). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Securities Lending Account will be (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty to the Issuer under a Securities Lending Agreement if the Securities Lending Agreement becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the Securities Lending Agreement upon any “event of default” under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement, including liquidating the related Securities Lending Collateral or (ii) to return collateral to the Securities Lending Counterparty when and as required by a Securities Lending Agreement. Amounts on deposit in

the Securities Lending Account shall be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the loaned security or asset that relates to the Securities Lending Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer.

*Payment Account.* The Trustee will deposit collateral into the “**Payment Account**,” over which the Trustee will have exclusive control and sole right of withdrawal, in accordance with the Indenture. All assets or securities at any time on deposit in or otherwise to the credit of the Payment Account will be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer, and each Hedge Counterparty. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Payment Account shall be to pay amounts due and payable on the Notes and to pay Administrative Expenses and other amounts specified in the Indenture, each in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

*Interest Reserve Account.* Amounts deposited in the “**Interest Reserve Account**,” on the Closing Date may be withdrawn at any time before the Payment Date in November 2007 to be transferred, at the discretion of the Servicer, to the Collection Account as Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds. On the Payment Date in November 2007 (or, at the discretion of the Servicer, on the Payment Date in August 2007), the Trustee, at the direction of the Servicer, will transfer all funds on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account to the Collection Account as Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds and close the Interest Reserve Account. Amounts on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account will be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions), no later than the Business Day before the second Payment Date.

*Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account.* On each Payment Date, to the extent of available funds in accordance with the Priority of Payments, the Trustee will deposit into the “**Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account**” amounts equal to the products of (a) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date and (b) the Servicing Fees then due and payable, as described in “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments,” for payment to the Servicer on such Payment Date. The Servicer has agreed to waive amounts that would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as Servicing Fees, on each Payment Date until (and including) the Payment Date in February 2008 and an amount equal to such waived amounts will be distributed by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. After the Payment Date in February 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

*Synthetic Security Counterparty Account.* To the extent that any Synthetic Security requires the Issuer to secure its obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty or to the extent that any Synthetic Security has an unfunded amount payable by the Issuer that does not by its terms require collateral, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee and the Trustee shall establish a segregated non-interest bearing trust account (the “**Synthetic Security Counterparty Account**”) for the Synthetic Security which shall be held in trust for the benefit of the related Synthetic Security Counterparty and over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and the Indenture. In the alternative, a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account may be established with a trustee designated by the Synthetic Security Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that

trustee would qualify to be a successor trustee under the Indenture and the account satisfies the other requirements of a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account under the Indenture.

As directed in writing by the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit (or deliver for deposit) into each Synthetic Security Counterparty Account all amounts or securities that are required to secure the obligations of the Issuer in accordance with the related Synthetic Security and, without duplication, an amount equal to the unfunded amount of a Synthetic Security, including the entire notional amount of any Synthetic Security in the form of a credit default swap or other similar transaction. The Servicer shall direct any such deposit only during the Replacement Period and only to the extent that monies are available for the purchase of Collateral Obligations pursuant to the Indenture. Any income received on amounts in the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall, after application in accordance with the relevant Synthetic Security, be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Interest Proceeds.

As directed by the Servicer in writing and in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and the Indenture, amounts on deposit in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in Synthetic Security Collateral.

In connection with the occurrence of a credit event or an event of default or a termination event (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security) under the related Synthetic Security, amounts in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be withdrawn by the Trustee (or the Trustee shall request their withdrawal) and applied toward the payment of any amounts payable by the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the Synthetic Security, as directed by the Servicer in writing. Any excess amounts held in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, or held directly by a Synthetic Security Counterparty, after payment of all amounts owing from the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the related Synthetic Security shall be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Principal Proceeds.

Amounts on deposit in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the Synthetic Security that relates to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer (with the notional amount as the Principal Balance unless a default exists under the applicable Synthetic Security).

## **Hedge Agreements**

At any time and from time to time on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer and with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, shall enter into the Hedge Agreements and will assign its rights (but none of its obligations) under the Hedge Agreements to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture. The Trustee will, on behalf of the Issuer and in accordance with the Valuation Report, pay amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements on any Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Each Hedge Counterparty will be required to have (i) a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "A1" or higher if the Hedge Counterparty has only a long-term rating; or a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "A2" or higher and a debt rating by Moody's for short-term debt of "P-1" if the Hedge Counterparty has both long-term and short-term ratings and (ii) a short-term debt rating by S&P of not less than "A-1" or, if the Hedge Counterparty does not have a short-term debt rating by S&P, a long-term debt rating of not less than "A+" (the "**Required Rating**").

If at any time a Hedge Counterparty does not have the Required Rating, then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within the applicable period specified in the related Hedge Agreement, either:

- (i) post collateral with the Trustee to secure the Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement, in an amount and of the type specified under the relevant Hedge

Agreement; *provided* that the Hedge Counterparty shall, at the time such collateral is first posted, deliver to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Rating Agencies an opinion of counsel of nationally recognized standing in the jurisdiction in which the Hedge Counterparty is incorporated confirming that such collateral will be available in a timely manner upon a bankruptcy of the Hedge Counterparty;

- (ii) obtain a guarantor that has a short-term debt rating by S&P of not less than “A-1” and otherwise has the Required Rating, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition; or
- (iii) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has the Required Rating, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition.

*provided* that failure to take any such steps set forth under paragraphs (i) through (iii) above within 30 days shall be treated as an “Additional Termination Event” under such Hedge Agreement.

If at any time the Hedge Counterparty has (x) no short-term Moody’s rating and a long-term Moody’s that is below “A3” or (y) both a short-term and long-term Moody’s rating and either the long-term Moody’s rating that is below “A3” or the short-term Moody’s rating that is below “P-2”, then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within the applicable period specified in the related Hedge Agreement, either:

- (i) obtain a guarantor that has the Required Rating, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition; or
- (ii) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has the Required Rating, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition;

*provided* that failure to take any such steps set forth under paragraphs (i) and (ii) above shall be treated as an “Additional Termination Event” under such Hedge Agreement.

If at any time the Hedge Counterparty has a long-term unsecured debt rating by S&P below “BBB-”, then the Hedge Counterparty will be required, within 10 days, to replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has the Required Rating, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition; *provided* that failure to do so shall be treated as an “Additional Termination Event” under such Hedge Agreement.

Whenever the Issuer enters into a Hedge Agreement, the Hedge Counterparty thereto shall comply with the then currently applicable rating criteria of each Rating Agency from time to time.

Any payments required to be made under the Hedge Agreements shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments shall be subordinate to interest and principal payments on the Notes and any other payments required to be made by the Issuer under the Hedge Agreements, but senior to distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Indenture.

Unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is otherwise satisfied, following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall promptly (but no later than 60 days after the early termination), and to the extent possible through Hedge Termination Receipts, enter into a replacement hedge, unless, in the exercise of the Servicer’s commercially reasonable judgment, to do so would not be in the best interest of the Issuer and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to not entering into a replacement hedge. In addition, a replacement hedge may not be entered into unless the Issuer provides the Rating Agencies with at least seven Business Days’ prior written notice of its intention to enter into a replacement hedge, together with its form and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the replacement hedge. The Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than a termination resulting from the bankruptcy, insolvency, or similar event with respect to the Hedge Counterparty) to become effective simultaneously with its entering into a replacement hedge. To the extent that (i) the Servicer determines not to replace

the Hedge Agreement and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the determination; or (ii) termination is occurring on a Redemption Date, the Hedge Termination Receipts shall become part of Principal Proceeds and be distributed in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the next following Payment Date (or on the Redemption Date, if the Notes are redeemed on the Redemption Date).

The notional amounts of the Hedge Agreements outstanding at any time may be reduced or increased from time to time, by the Issuer, and the Hedge Agreements may be amended, modified, or terminated in accordance with the Hedge Agreements if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the reduction, increase, amendment, modification, or termination, as the case may be.

Each Hedge Agreement may be terminated pursuant to its terms by the Hedge Counterparty upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes, an acceleration of maturity of the Notes followed by the liquidation of any or all of the Collateral after an Event of Default or the entry into certain amendments to the Indenture without the consent of the Hedge Counterparty. The Hedge Agreement will not be permitted to be terminated by the Issuer as the result of a Default or Event of Default unless any acceleration of maturity of the Notes resulting from the Event of Default is no longer permitted to be rescinded pursuant to the Indenture.

Except for Hedge Agreements entered into on or before the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied.

### **Securities Lending**

The Indenture permits the Issuer to engage in a limited number of securities lending transactions as described below.

The Servicer may instruct the Trustee to cause Collateral Obligations that are not Defaulted Collateral Obligations to be lent for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) having long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or guarantors with ratings of at least “A1” (and not “A1” but on credit watch with negative implications) and “P-1” (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody’s and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least “A” or a short-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least “A-1” from S&P (each, a “**Securities Lending Counterparty**”) pursuant to one or more agreements (each, a “**Securities Lending Agreement**”); *provided* that Collateral Obligations the Market Value of which cannot be determined under clause (i), (ii) or (iii) of that definition may not be lent pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement. Upon receipt of an Issuer Order, the Trustee shall release any lent Collateral Obligations to a Securities Lending Counterparty as directed by the Servicer. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of CGMI or Affiliates of the Servicer. The duration of any Securities Lending Agreement shall not exceed the Stated Maturity of the Notes. Collateral Obligations representing no more than 15% (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of the Maximum Amount may be loaned pursuant to Securities Lending Agreements at any time.

Each Securities Lending Agreement shall be on market terms as determined by the Servicer (except to the extent specified in the Indenture) and shall:

- (i) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty return to the Issuer debt obligations that are identical (in terms of issue and class) to the lent Collateral Obligations;
- (ii) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty pay to the Issuer amounts equivalent to all interest and other payments that the owner of the lent Collateral Obligation is entitled to for the period during which the Collateral Obligation is lent and require that any such payments not be subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the Securities Lending Counterparty is required under the Securities Lending Agreement to



make “gross-up” payments to the Issuer that cover the full amount of the withholding tax on an after-tax basis;

- (iii) require that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency shall be satisfied with respect to the execution of the Securities Lending Agreement;
- (iv) satisfy any other requirements of Section 1058 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated under it;
- (v) be governed by the laws of New York;
- (vi) permit the Issuer to assign its rights under the Securities Lending Agreement to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture;
- (vii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Collateral Obligation becomes a Credit Risk Obligation or is subject to redemption in accordance with its terms;
- (viii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty upon any redemption of the Notes in whole;
- (ix) require the Securities Lending Counterparty to post with the Trustee collateral consisting of cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the Securities Lending Agreement to secure its obligation to return the Collateral Obligations or in the alternative post that collateral with a custodian for the benefit of the Issuer designated by the Securities Lending Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that custodian would qualify to be a successor trustee under the Indenture;
- (x) provide that the Securities Lending Collateral shall be maintained at all times in an amount equal to at least 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value (determined daily and monitored by the Servicer) of the lent Collateral Obligations and if securities are delivered to the Trustee as security for the obligations of the Securities Lending Counterparty under the related Securities Lending Agreement, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will negotiate with the Securities Lending Counterparty a rate for the loan fee to be paid to the Issuer for lending the lent Collateral Obligations;
- (xi) the lent Collateral Obligations shall be marked-to-market on a daily basis by the Servicer on the basis of their Market Value;
- (xii) the Collateral will include the Issuer’s rights under the related Securities Lending Agreement rather than the loaned Collateral Obligation;
- (xiii) provide for early termination within 10 days at the option of the Issuer and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Securities Lending Counterparty is no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty and the noncompliance is not cured as provided in the Indenture; and
- (xiv) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Securities Lending Counterparty) equivalent (mutatis mutandis) to those in the Indenture.

In addition, each Securities Lending Agreement must provide that if either Moody’s or S&P downgrades a Securities Lending Counterparty such that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the

Securities Lending Counterparty is a party are no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty, then the Issuer, within 10 days of the downgrade, shall (i) terminate its Securities Lending Agreements with the Securities Lending Counterparty unless a guarantor with the required ratings for the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements has been obtained; or (ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations lent to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty so that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party, together with all other Securities Lending Agreements, are in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of Securities Lending Counterparties; or (iii) take any other steps Moody's or S&P may require to cause the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party to be treated by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, as if the obligations were owed by a counterparty having a rating at least equivalent to the rating that was assigned by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty before its being downgraded.

The Servicer shall instruct the Trustee in writing with respect to the administration of any Securities Lending Agreement (including with respect to any default and the exercise of rights under it). The Trustee shall not have any responsibility for evaluating the sufficiency, validity, or acceptability of any Securities Lending Agreement or for the qualifications or eligibility of any Securities Lending Counterparty. Nothing in the Indenture shall be construed to cause the Trustee to have any fiduciary duties to any Securities Lending Counterparty.

So long as any Collateral Obligation is on loan pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement, (a) the Trustee shall have no liability for any failure or inability on its part to receive any information or take any action with respect to the Collateral Obligation because of its being on loan (including any failure to take action with respect to a notice of redemption, consent solicitation, exchange or tender offer, or similar corporate action) and (b) the loaned Collateral Obligations shall not be disqualified for return to the Trustee as a Collateral Obligation by any change in circumstance or status during the time while on loan (including any change that would cause the Collateral Obligation to be ineligible for purchase by the Issuer under the Indenture if applied to a proposed purchase of it in the open market at the time of its return from loan).

## **MATURITY AND PREPAYMENT CONSIDERATIONS**

The Stated Maturity of each Class of Notes will be May 1, 2022 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date; *however*, the principal of each Class of the Notes is expected to be paid in full prior to its Stated Maturity (or Extended Stated Maturity Date, as applicable). Average life refers to the average amount of time that will elapse from the date of delivery of a security until each dollar of the principal of such security will be paid to the investor. The average lives of the Notes will be determined by the amount and frequency of principal payments, which are dependent upon, among other things, the amount of sinking fund payments and any other payments received at or in advance of the scheduled maturity of Collateral Obligations (whether through sale, maturity, redemption, default or other liquidation or disposition).

The actual performance of the Securities will also be affected by the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral Obligations and the characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, including the interest rate or other rate of distribution, the actual default rate and actual losses sustained, the existence and frequency of exercise of any prepayment, optional redemption, or sinking fund features and any related premium, the prevailing level of interest rates, any sales of Collateral Obligations, and any unique risks of the Collateral Obligations. Any disposition of a Collateral Obligation may change the composition and characteristics of the portfolio of Collateral Obligations and their rate of payment, and, accordingly, may affect the actual performance of each respective Class of Securities. The ability of the Issuer to apply any Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds in the manner described under "Security for the Notes" will also affect the performance of the Securities. Redemptions will also affect the performance of the Securities.

## **THE SERVICER**

*The information appearing in this section has been prepared by the Servicer and has not been independently verified by the Co-Issuers, the Initial Purchaser or the Placement Agent. Accordingly, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, none of the Co-Issuers, the Initial Purchaser or the Placement Agent assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or applicability of such information.*

### **General**

Based in Dallas, Texas, Highland Capital is a registered investment adviser specializing in below investment-grade credit and special situation investing. As of September 30, 2006, Highland Capital managed over \$31 billion in leveraged loans, high yield bonds, structured products and other assets for banks, insurance companies, pension plans, foundations and high net worth individuals.

Highland Capital manages or services these assets through a variety of fund structures including separate accounts, CDOs, hedge funds and mutual funds. As of September 30, 2006, Highland Capital invested in approximately 1,200 below investment grade and credit sensitive credit positions, and Highland Capital's 79-person credit team followed approximately 1,400 below investment grade and credit sensitive credit positions across over 36 industries. Highland Capital or an Affiliate or predecessor thereof has been an SEC-registered investment adviser since April 1993.

### **Philosophy and Process**

Highland Capital has a large range and depth of experience. It has expertise in the fields of syndicated loans, high yield bonds, and distressed assets. Highland Capital believes it is in a position to maximize the spread differential between the yields on underlying collateral and the cost of financing. In addition, Highland Capital seeks to construct portfolios to (a) maximize relative value based on its credit views and (b) maximize diversification in order to minimize the effect of isolated credit events on the overall portfolio, utilizing Highland Capital's infrastructure to minimize defaults of underlying assets and to maximize recoveries in the case of defaults. Highland Capital has over \$600 million of firm capital exposure to the firm's funds and expects that HFP, an Affiliate of the Servicer, and/or one or more of HFP's subsidiaries will on the Closing Date purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares.

Highland Capital believes that its disciplined selection process minimizes a portfolio's risk and that its analysis seeks to maximize yield spread while limiting downside risk. Portfolio managers actively follow each credit and several times each year the entire staff reviews all positions during multi-day monitoring meetings. Highland Capital diversifies its portfolios with set limits on exposure to any one given industry or issuer. Highland Capital believes that this philosophy and selection process has resulted in positive returns on its underlying loan portfolio and consistent outperformance relative to its indices.

Highland Capital focuses on a "team" approach that it has used since 1990. It is Highland Capital management's belief that this style creates the optimum environment for the exchange of information and the development of all asset management professionals. All aspects of the selection, monitoring and servicing process are coordinated through the senior asset portfolio managers' direct interaction. A committee of senior portfolio managers and analysts, Highland Capital's Chief Investment Officer and its Head of Structured Products meets every morning to discuss the status of the credits. Collectively, the committee utilizes a selection and monitoring process which is driven by fundamental credit research. Each portfolio manager/analyst makes specific credit recommendations based upon industry coverage. The credit recommendation is then brought to the committee for consideration. Based upon the consensus decision, the portfolio manager with the recommendation will direct Highland traders to execute the trade. Highland Capital has also provided its committee with a strong commitment to technology. The firm developed Wall Street Office® which is a proprietary software system that allows Highland Capital to model, portfolio manage, and trade syndicated loans. This software has been licensed to more than 70 financial institutions that acquire syndicated loans.

## **Professionals of the Servicer**

Set forth below is information regarding certain persons who are currently employed by the Servicer. Such persons may not necessarily continue to be so employed during the entire term of the Servicing Agreement.

### ***James Dondero, CFA, CPA, CMA – Managing Partner, President***

Mr. Dondero is a Founder and President of Highland Capital Management, L.P. Prior to Highland, Mr. Dondero served as Chief Investment Officer of Protective Life's GIC subsidiary, and helped grow the business from concept to over \$2 billion from 1989 to 1993. His portfolio management experience includes mortgage-backed securities, investment grade corporates, leveraged bank loans, emerging markets, derivatives, preferred stocks and common stocks. From 1985 to 1989, he managed approximately \$1 billion in fixed income funds for American Express. Prior to American Express, he completed the financial training program at Morgan Guaranty Trust Company. Mr. Dondero is a Beta Gamma Sigma graduate of the University of Virginia, 1984 with degrees in Accounting and Finance. Mr. Dondero is a Certified Public Accountant and a Certified Management Accountant. He has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

### ***Mark Okada, CFA – Managing Partner, Chief Investment Officer***

Mr. Okada is a Founder and Chief Investment Officer of Highland. He is responsible for overseeing Highland's investment activities for its various strategies, and has over 20 years of experience in the leveraged finance market. Prior to Highland, Mr. Okada served as Manager of Fixed Income for Protective Life's GIC subsidiary from 1990 to 1993. He was primarily responsible for the bank loan portfolio and other risk assets. Protective was one of the first non-bank entrants into the syndicated loan market. From 1986 to 1990, he served as Vice President for Hibernia National Bank, managing over \$1 billion of high yield bank loans. Mr. Okada is an honors graduate of the University of California Los Angeles with degrees in Economics and Psychology. He completed his credit training at Mitsui and has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation. Mr. Okada is also Chairman of the Board of Directors of Common Grace Ministries Inc.

### ***Todd Travers, CFA – Partner, Head of Structured Products, Senior Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Travers is responsible for Highland's CDO business and is the primary portfolio manager for Highland's CDOs. He is a member of the Credit Committee and heads a team that is responsible for structuring new CDO transactions and implementing additional opportunities in Highland's core businesses. Formerly, Mr. Travers served as Portfolio Manager/Portfolio Analyst from 1994 to 1998 for Highland. His prior responsibilities included managing a portion of Highland's leveraged loan and high yield debt portfolios across a wide range of industry sectors. Prior to joining Highland, Mr. Travers was a Finance Manager at American Airlines. Mr. Travers is a graduate of Iowa State University with a BS in Industrial Engineering. He received his MBA from Southern Methodist University. Mr. Travers has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

### ***Patrick H. Daugherty – Partner, Head of Distressed and Special Situations Investments***

Mr. Daugherty is Head of Distressed and Special Situations Investing, and a Senior Portfolio Manager at Highland Capital Management, L.P. ("Highland"). His responsibilities include managing the Distressed Investments Group, and co-managing the Private Equity Investments Group. He has formerly served as General Counsel to Highland. Prior to joining Highland in April 1998, Mr. Daugherty served as Vice President in the Corporate Finance Group at Bank of America Capital Markets, Inc (formerly NationsBanc Capital Markets, Inc.) where he originated and structured leveraged transactions of mid-cap companies located in the Southwest. Prior to joining Bank of America, Mr. Daugherty was an Associate with the law firm of Baker, Brown, Sharman and Parker in Houston, Texas, where he worked with banks and financial institutions in the liquidation of various RTC portfolios. Mr. Daugherty has over 15 years of experience in distressed, high yield and corporate restructuring. He has been involved in over 100

restructurings and held steering committee positions in over 40 bankruptcies. Mr. Daugherty currently serves on the Board of Directors of Trussway Holdings, Inc. and its affiliates (as Chairman), Home Interiors & Gifts, Inc. and its affiliates (as Chairman), Nexpak Corporation and its affiliates (as Chairman), Moll Industries and its affiliates (as Chairman), Safety-Kleen Holdco., Inc. and is a former board member of Norse Merchant Group and its affiliates, Ferrimorac Holdings Limited and Mariner Health Care, Inc. He received a BBA in Finance from The University of Texas at Austin and a Juris Doctorate from The University of Houston School of Law. Mr. Daugherty's professional certifications include membership in the Texas Bar Association and admittance to the American Bar Association in 1992.

**John Morgan, CFA – Partner, Senior Portfolio Manager, Real Estate**

Mr. Morgan is a Senior Portfolio Manager, and has responsibility for overseeing the firm's Real Estate debt investments. The firm's real estate investments include a variety of asset types, including Collateralized Mortgage Backed Securities ("CMBSs"), mezzanine notes, and real estate bank loans. Since joining Highland in March 2000, Mr. Morgan has also covered a variety of other industries, including retail, restaurants, and supermarkets. Prior to joining Highland in March 2000, Mr. Morgan served as Portfolio Analyst for Falcon Fund Management, LTD from August 1995-February 2000. At Falcon, he created comparables to assess the attractiveness of companies within industries and across the portfolio. He assisted the Portfolio Manager in the security selection process and management of the portfolio. Prior to Falcon, he was an Analyst for a Convertible Arbitrage Fund at Q Investments. His primary responsibility included analyzing financial statements and related corporate disclosures and performing analysis on potential investment opportunities. He received both a BS in Biological Sciences and an MBA from Southern Methodist University, and has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

**Kurtis S. Plumer, CFA – Partner, Senior Portfolio Manager, Multi-Strategies**

Mr. Plumer is a Senior Portfolio Manager for Multi-Strategies. Prior to joining Highland in July 1999, Mr. Plumer was a distressed High Yield Bond Trader at Lehman Brothers in New York, where he managed a \$250 million portfolio invested in global distressed securities. While at Lehman, he also traded emerging market sovereign bonds. Prior to joining Lehman Brothers, Mr. Plumer was a Corporate Finance Banker at NationsBanc Capital Markets, Inc. (now Bank of America Capital Markets, Inc.) where he focused on M&A and financing transactions for the bank's clients. Mr. Plumer has over 14 years of experience in distressed, high yield bond and leveraged loan products. Mr. Plumer earned a BBA in Economics and Finance from Baylor University, and an MBA in Strategy and Finance from the Kellogg School at Northwestern University. Mr. Plumer has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

**David Walls, CFA – Partner, Senior Portfolio Manager, Par Credits**

Mr. Walls is a Senior Portfolio Manager of Par Credit Investments at Highland. Prior to joining Highland in October 2000, Mr. Walls worked for Lend Lease Real Estate Investments as an Associate in their Asset Management unit underwriting and structuring acquisitions of bulk portfolios of distressed Korean real estate and corporate debt. Before his international responsibilities at Lend Lease, Mr. Walls performed loan workouts on a domestic portfolio of sub- and non-performing real estate secured assets. Prior to Lend Lease, Mr. Walls worked at U.S. Trust Company of California as an Assistant Vice President, Junior Portfolio Manager in their Fixed Income Portfolio Management group and for Capital Research & Management Company as a Fixed Income Trader. Mr. Walls has worked in finance for the cable, media, satellite, and communication equipment sectors for 14 years. At Highland, Mr. Walls is a Senior Portfolio Manager with oversight of the Cable and Satellite sectors. He holds a BA in Economics from Northwestern University, and an MBA in Finance and Marketing from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University. Mr. Walls is a member of AIMR and DAIA. Mr. Walls has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

**Brett Pope, CFA – Partner, Senior Portfolio Manager, Par Credits**

Mr. Pope is a Senior Portfolio Manager for Par Credit Investments. Prior to joining Highland in March 2001, Mr. Pope served as a Senior Equities Analyst in Healthcare at Street Advisor.com from 1999 to 2001. His experience also includes working as a Senior Research Analyst covering the Building Products and Financial Service sectors at Southwest Securities from 1996 to 1999. Prior to 1996, he served as a Senior Financial Analyst with Associates First Capital Corporation. At Highland, Mr. Pope is a Senior Portfolio Manager covering the Healthcare and Information Technology sectors. Mr. Pope is a graduate of the University of Texas at Austin where he graduated Magna Cum Laude. Mr. Pope has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

**Patrick Conner, CFA – Senior Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Conner is a Senior Portfolio Manager for Par Credit Investments. Prior to joining Highland Capital in February 2002, Mr. Conner worked from 2001-2002 as a Portfolio Manager for an equity hedge fund at Enron Corp. Prior to this position, Mr. Conner evaluated business unit strategy, mergers, acquisitions, and divestitures as a Director in Enron's Corporate Development group from 1997-2001. Prior to joining Enron, Mr. Conner worked as a Corporate Lending Officer at Boatmen's Bancshares in middle market banking. Mr. Conner has acquired 14 years of investment experience. He holds an MBA in Finance from The Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania and a BBA in Finance from Wichita State University. Mr. Conner has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation. Mr. Conner is a Senior Portfolio Manager for Par Credit Investments.

**Brad Borud – Partner, Senior Trader and Co-Director of Portfolio Management**

Mr. Borud is a Senior Trader and Co-director of Portfolio Management. Prior to joining Highland in November 1996, Mr. Borud worked as a Global Finance Analyst in the Corporate Finance Group at NationsBank from 1995 to 1996 where he was involved in the originating, structuring, modeling, and credit analysis of leveraged transactions for large corporate accounts in the Southwest portion of the United States. During 1994, Mr. Borud also served at Conseco Capital Management as an Analyst Intern in the Fixed Income Research Department, following the Transportation and Energy sectors. Prior to his current duties at Highland, Mr. Borud served as a Portfolio Analyst from 1996 to 1998. From 1998 to 2003, Mr. Borud was a Portfolio Manager covering a wide range of industries, including Wireline Telecommunications, Wireless Telecommunications, Telecommunication Equipment Manufacturers, Multi-channel Video, and Media. He has a BS in Business Finance from Indiana University.

**Paul Kauffman, CFA, CPA – Partner, Senior Trader and Co-Director of Portfolio Management**

Mr. Kauffman is a Senior Trader and Co-director of Portfolio Management. Prior to joining Highland in June 1999, Mr. Kauffman spent four years in the public accounting industry, including two and a half years at KPMG Peat Marwick. At KPMG, Mr. Kauffman gained audit experience in a wide range of industries, with particular focus on the Energy and Cable industries. He joined Highland as a Portfolio Analyst, and was a Portfolio Manager prior to moving into his current role. At Highland, Paul has followed a variety of industries, including Paper & Packaging, General Industrials, Metals, and the Automotive sector. He received a BBA in Accounting from Baylor University, and an MBA from Duke University. Mr. Kauffman has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Servicer—The Issuer Will Depend on the Managerial Expertise Available to the Servicer and Its Key Personnel.”

**THE SERVICING AGREEMENT**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Servicing Agreement. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the Servicing Agreement.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, and in accordance with the requirements set forth in the Indenture, the Servicer will select the portfolio of Collateral Obligations and will instruct the Trustee with respect to any acquisition, disposition or sale of a Collateral Obligation or an Eligible Investment. None of the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent or any Affiliate thereof will select any of the Collateral Obligations.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will monitor the Collateral Obligations and provide the Issuer with certain information received from the Collateral Administrator with respect to the composition and characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, any disposition or tender of a Collateral Obligation, the application of the proceeds of any such disposition to the purchase of Eligible Investments and with respect to the retention of the proceeds of any such disposition or the application thereof toward the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations. The Servicer will, and will be authorized to, negotiate, on behalf of the Issuer, with respect to all actions to be taken by the Issuer under any Hedge Agreements.

As compensation for the performance of its obligations as Servicer, the Servicer will be entitled to receive:

- (i) a fee (the “**Senior Servicing Fee**”) that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.30% per annum of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments (with the Senior Servicing Fee being calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months);
- (ii) an amount (the “**Subordinated Servicing Fee**”) payable on each Payment Date equal to the sum of (a) a fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.25% per annum of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments and (b) on any Payment Date that any part of the Subordinated Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period *plus* 3.00% per annum (with the portion of the Subordinated Servicing Fee, in clauses (a) and (b) above, as applicable, being calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months); and
- (iii) a fee (the “**Supplemental Servicing Fee**” and together with the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee, the “**Servicing Fee**”), if any, payable on each Payment Date to the Servicer in an amount equal to: (i) 20% of the remaining Interest Proceeds, if any, available after making the distributions on such Payment Date pursuant to clause (22) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” and (ii) 20% of the remaining Principal Proceeds, if any, available for payment in respect of the Supplemental Servicing Fee pursuant to clause (12)(A) and, if applicable, clause (15), in each case pursuant to “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

On each Payment Date, as and to the extent described under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments,” the Trustee will deposit the Class II Preference Share Portion of the Servicing Fees into the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account. The Servicer has agreed to waive such amounts, which would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as Servicing Fees, on each Payment Date until (and including) the Payment Date in February 2008 and an amount equal to such waived amounts will be paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. After the Payment Date in February 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive the Class II Preference Share Portion of its Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Issuer as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount

distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments as described above. See “Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account.”

Notwithstanding anything set out above, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion: (i) waive all or any portion of the Servicing Fee, any funds representing the waived Servicing Fees to be retained in the Collection Account for distribution as either Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds (as determined by the Servicer) pursuant to the Priority of Payments; or (ii) defer all or any portion of the Servicing Fee, any funds representing the deferred Servicing Fees to be retained in the Collection Account, when they will become payable in the same manner and priority as their original characterization would have required unless deferred again.

In addition, the Servicer will be reimbursed for its reasonable expenses incurred with respect to any compliance requirements, including, but not limited to, compliance with the requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act solely related to the ownership or holding of any Securities by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to the extent funds are available therefor in accordance with and subject to the Priority of Payments and other limitations contained in the Indenture.

The Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, and its Affiliates and their directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, shall not be liable to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person for any losses, claims, damages, judgments, assessments, costs or other liabilities (collectively “**Liabilities**”) incurred by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person that arise out of or in connection with the performance by the Servicer of its duties under the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture, except by reason of (i) acts or omissions constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, gross negligence or breach of fiduciary duty in the performance, or reckless disregard, of the obligations of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and under the terms of the Indenture applicable to it or (ii) with respect to any information included in this Offering Memorandum in the sections entitled “The Servicer” and “Risk Factors—Certain Conflicts of Interest—Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer” that contains any untrue statement of material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) collectively being the “**Servicer Breaches**”). The Servicer will be liable for any non-waivable breaches of applicable securities laws.

The Issuer will indemnify and hold harmless the Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees (such parties collectively in such case, the “**Indemnified Parties**”) from and against any and all Liabilities, and shall reimburse each such Indemnified Party for all reasonable fees and expenses (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) (collectively, the “**Expenses**”) as such Expenses are incurred in investigating, preparing, pursuing or defending any claim, action, proceeding or investigation with respect to any pending or threatened litigation (collectively, the “**Actions**”), caused by, or arising out of or in connection with, the issuance of the Securities, the transactions contemplated by the Offering Memorandum, the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement, and/or any action taken by, or any failure to act by, such Indemnified Party; *provided, however*, that no Indemnified Party shall be indemnified for any Liabilities or Expenses it incurs as a result of any acts or omissions by any Indemnified Party constituting Servicer Breaches. Any such indemnification by the Issuer will be paid in accordance with, and subject to, the Priority of Payments.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will agree that on the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries will purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$62,000,000 through the Placement Agent at a discounted purchase price and (ii) the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates (other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries) will purchase certain of the Class C Notes having an aggregate principal amount equal to U.S.\$11,000,000, certain of the Class D Notes having an aggregate principal amount equal to U.S.\$9,000,000 and certain of the Holding Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$11,583,000, in each case, at a discounted purchase price.



The Issuer may, at the request of the Servicer, enter into an amendment or modification of the Servicing Agreement from time to time, without the consent of the Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not the interests of the Holders of the Securities are adversely affected thereby; *provided that*, with respect to any such amendment or modification, (a) a Rating Condition is satisfied and (b) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares have not objected in writing to such amendment or modification prior to the relevant Objection Cut-Off Date (as defined below).

If at any time the Servicer desires to amend or modify the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will notify the Issuer and the Trustee, providing details of such proposed amendment or modification. Not later than five Business Days after receipt of such notice, the Trustee will mail such notice to (i) each Noteholder at such Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as applicable, (ii) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), (iii) to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Holding Securities) and (iv) to each Rating Agency. If any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes or any Holder of the Preference Shares notifies, by delivering a written notice to the Trustee within 35 days after the Trustee has mailed such notice, that it objects to such proposed amendment or modification, the Trustee will, within two Business Days after receiving such notice of objection, mail a notice of the receipt of such objection to the Issuer, the Servicer and other Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and other Holders of the Preference Shares. Each Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes and each Holder of the Preference Shares that also wishes to object to such amendment or modification must, by delivering a written notice, so notify the Trustee within seven Business Days after the Trustee has mailed such notice of the receipt of such objection (the last day of such seven Business Day period, the "**Objection Cut-Off Date**"). If a Majority of either the Controlling Class of Notes or the Preference Shares notifies the Trustee in writing on or before the Objection Cut-Off Date that they object to the proposed amendment or modification to the Servicing Agreement, such amendment or modification will not be made.

The Servicing Agreement provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Servicer such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Servicer, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the Advisers Act. The Servicing Agreement also provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Servicer, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Advisers Act.

Subject to the provisions for a successor servicer discussed below, the Servicer may resign, upon 90 days' written notice to the Issuer (or such shorter notice as is acceptable to the Issuer).

The Servicing Agreement will be terminated, and the Servicer will be removed, by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee (acting at the direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes)) or by a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares, in each case for "cause" upon 10 days' prior written notice to the Servicer and upon written notice to the Holders of the Securities as set forth below. For purposes of determining "cause" with respect to any such termination of the Servicing Agreement, such term shall mean any one of the following events:

- (i) the Servicer willfully breaches in any respect, or takes any action that it knows violates in any respect, any provision of the Servicing Agreement or any terms of the Indenture applicable to it;

(ii) the Servicer breaches in any material respect any provision of the Servicing Agreement or any terms of the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement applicable to it, or any representation, warranty, certification or statement given in writing by the Servicer shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or given, and the Servicer fails to cure such breach or take such action so that the facts (after giving effect to such action) conform in all material respects to such representation, warranty, certificate or statement, in each case within 30 days of becoming aware of, or receiving notice from, the Trustee of, such breach or materially incorrect representation, warranty, certificate or statement;

(iii) certain events of bankruptcy or insolvency occur with respect to the Servicer;

(iv) the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture that results from any breach by the Servicer of its duties under the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement, which breach or default is not cured within any applicable cure period; or

(v) (x) the occurrence of an act by the Servicer related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business that constitutes fraud, (y) the Servicer being indicted, or any of its principals being convicted, of a felony criminal offense related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business or (z) the Servicer being indicted for, adjudged liable in a civil suit for, or convicted of a violation of the Securities Act or any other United States Federal securities law or any rules or regulations thereunder.

No removal or resignation of the Servicer will be effective under the Servicing Agreement unless (A) (i) at the written direction of a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares, the Issuer appoints a successor servicer and such successor servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture and (ii) the successor servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single Class) or (B) if a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares has nominated two or more successor servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (A)(ii) or has failed to appoint a successor servicer that has not been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (A)(ii) within 60 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer, (i) at the written direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes), the Issuer appoints a successor servicer and such successor servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture and (ii) the successor servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares (voting as a single class) or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single Class); *provided* that if a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and a Super Majority of the Controlling Class (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) have each nominated two or more successor servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clauses (A)(ii) and (B)(ii) or have otherwise failed to appoint a successor servicer that is not objected to pursuant to the preceding clauses (A)(ii) or (B)(ii) within 120 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer, any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes), any Holder of Voting Preference Shares or the Trustee petitions a court of competent authority to appoint a successor servicer. In addition, any successor servicer must be an established institution which (i) has demonstrated an ability to professionally and competently perform duties similar to those imposed upon the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, (ii) is legally qualified and has the capacity to act as Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, as successor to the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement in the assumption of all of the responsibilities, duties and obligations of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and under the applicable terms of the Indenture, (iii) shall not cause the Issuer or the pool of Collateral to become required to register under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, (iv) shall perform its duties as successor servicer under the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture without causing the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Holder of Preference Shares to become subject to tax in any jurisdiction where such

successor servicer is established as doing business and (v) each Rating Agency has confirmed that the appointment of such successor servicer shall not cause its then-current rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn. No compensation payable to a successor from payments on the Collateral shall be greater than that paid to the Servicer without the prior written consent of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes, a Majority of the Notes and a Majority of the Preference Shares.

The Servicing Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, cannot be delegated by the Servicer, in whole or in part, except to any entity that is both (i) controlled by all or any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers and (ii) one in which all of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers (or any Approved Replacement thereof) is involved in the day to day management and operations (and in any such case pursuant to an instrument of delegation in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer), without the prior written consent of the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and, notwithstanding any such consent, no delegation of obligations or duties by the Servicer (including, without limitation, to an entity described above) shall relieve the Servicer from any liability under the Servicing Agreement.

## THE CO-ISSUERS

### General

The Issuer was incorporated as an exempted limited liability company on March 31, 2006 in the Cayman Islands under registration number WK-165204. The registered office of the Issuer is at the offices of Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited, P.O. Box 1234, Queensgate House, George Town, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, Cayman Islands. The Issuer's telephone number is (345) 945-6264. The Issuer has no prior operating experience (other than in connection with the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations during the Accumulation Period) and will not have any material assets other than (i) the Collateral pledged to secure the Secured Obligations, and (ii) \$2,000 (of which \$1,000 represents the Issuer's ordinary share capital and \$1,000 represents a fee for issuing the Securities).

The Co-Issuer was incorporated on December 21, 2006 in the State of Delaware under registration number 061173837 as a corporation and has a perpetual existence. The registered office of the Co-Issuer is at c/o National Corporate Research, Ltd., 615 South DuPont Highway, Dover, Delaware, 19901. The Co-Issuer's telephone number is (302) 738-6680. The Co-Issuer has no prior operating history and will not have any material assets.

The Senior Notes are non-recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuers. The Class D Notes are non-recourse debt obligations of the Issuer and the Preference Shares are equity interests only in the Issuer. The Securities are not obligations of the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Administrator, the Holders of the Preference Shares, Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited, as the share trustee (in such capacity, the "**Share Trustee**"), or any directors or officers of the Co-Issuers or any of their respective Affiliates.

At the Closing Date, the authorized share capital of the Issuer consists of 1,000 ordinary shares, U.S.\$1.00 par value per share (the "**Issuer Ordinary Shares**"), all of which will have been issued prior to the Closing Date, and 123,500] Preference Shares, U.S.\$0.01 par value per share, 123,500 of which will be issued on or about the Closing Date. The authorized common stock of the Co-Issuer consists of 1,000 shares of common stock, U.S.\$ 0.01 par value (the "**Co-Issuer Common Stock**"), all of which shares will be issued on or about the Closing Date. All of the outstanding Issuer Ordinary Shares and all of the Co-Issuer Common Stock will be held by the Share Trustee. For so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding, no transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares or Co-Issuer Common Stock to a U.S. Person shall be registered.

## Investors Corp.

On the Closing Date, Eastland Investors Corp. (“**Investors Corp.**”), an exempted limited liability corporation incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands, is expected to purchase all of the Class I Preference Shares and to finance such purchase by issuing Holding Preference Share with the number of the Holding Preference Shares equal to the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares purchased by it. Investors Corp. will also be issuing the Class P Securities which shall consist of (i) a Holding Preference Share component entitling its holders to rights in respect of 1,917 Holding Preference Shares and (ii) a Collateral Component. The Holding Securities will be offered by Investors Corp. to investors pursuant to the Investors Corp. Offering Memorandum and are not offered hereby. In case of any transfer of Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to Investors Corp., Investors Corp. is expected to purchase all of such Class II Preference Shares redesignated as Class I Preference Shares and finance such purchase by issuing additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of such Class I Preference Shares purchased by it.

Investors Corp. will exercise its consent and voting rights, in its capacity as a Holder of the Class I Preference Shares, in accordance with the directions of the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares; *provided* that Holding Preference Shares held by the Servicer or any of its Affiliates will have no such right to direct Investors Corp. in connection with the removal of the Servicer for “cause” or the appointment of a replacement servicer. For purposes of calculating such consents or votes exercised with respect to the Class I Preference Shares held by Investors Corp., each consent or vote exercised with respect to a Holding Preference Share will count as one consent or vote exercised with respect to a Class I Preference Share held by Investors Corp., as applicable.

## Capitalization

The initial proposed capitalization of the Issuer as of the Closing Date after giving effect to the initial issuance of the Securities and the Issuer Ordinary Shares (before deducting expenses of the offering) is as set forth below.

	<b>Amount (U.S.\$)</b>
Class A-1 Notes .....	\$100,000,000
Class A-2a Notes .....	\$825,600,000
Class A-2b Notes .....	\$206,000,000
Class A-3 Notes .....	\$78,500,000
Class B Notes.....	\$81,500,000
Class C Notes.....	\$68,500,000
Class D Notes.....	\$48,000,000
Total Notes .....	\$1,408,100,000
Class I Preference Shares.....	\$61,500,000
Class II Preference Shares .....	\$62,000,000
Issuer Ordinary Shares.....	\$1,000
Total Equity.....	\$123,501,000
Total Capitalization.....	\$1,531,601,000

The Co-Issuer will be capitalized only to the extent of its common equity of U.S.\$10, will have no assets other than its equity capital and will have no debt other than as Co-Issuer of the Senior Notes.

## Business

### *General*

The Issuer Charter provides that the objects for which the Issuer is established are limited and the Issuer may exercise the power contained in Section 226 of the Companies Law (2004 Revision). Article III of the Co-Issuer’s Certificate of Incorporation provides that the principal purpose of the Co-Issuer is the issuance of the Senior Notes and to engage in any activity and to exercise any powers permitted to

corporations organized under Delaware Law, which are incidental to, or connected with, the foregoing and necessary, suitable or convenient to accomplish the foregoing.

*The Issuer*

The Indenture provides that the activities of the Issuer are limited to the following:

- (i) acquisition and disposition of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments;
- (ii) entering into, and performing its obligations under, the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents, any Hedge Agreements, the Securities Lending Agreements, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Administration Agreement;
- (iii) the issuance and sale of the Securities and the Issuer Ordinary Shares;
- (iv) the pledge of the Collateral as security for its obligations in respect of the Notes and any Hedge Agreements;
- (v) entering into certain pre-closing warehousing arrangements and the agreements relating thereto; and
- (vi) undertaking certain other activities incidental to the foregoing.

*The Co-Issuer*

The activities of the Co-Issuer are to be limited to the following:

- (i) the co-issuance and sale of the Senior Notes; and
- (ii) to engage in any activity and to exercise any powers permitted to corporations organized under Delaware Law, which are incidental to, or connected with, the foregoing and necessary, suitable or convenient to accomplish the foregoing.

**Administration**

Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited (“**Ogier**”), a Cayman Islands company, will act as the administrator of the Issuer (in such capacity, the “**Administrator**”), the Share Registrar and the Share Trustee. The office of the Administrator will serve as the principal office of the Issuer. Through this office and pursuant to the terms of an agreement by and between the Administrator and the Issuer (as amended, supplemented and modified from time to time) (the “**Administration Agreement**”), the Administrator will perform various administrative functions on behalf of the Issuer, including the provision of certain clerical and other services including acting as Share Registrar until termination of the Administration Agreement. In consideration of the foregoing, the Administrator will receive various fees and reimbursement of its expenses. Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited will also act as the administrator of Investors Corp. and the registrar of the Holding Preference Shares.

The activities of the Administrator under the Administration Agreement will be subject to the overview of the Issuer’s Board of Directors. The Administration Agreement may be terminated by the Issuer upon 14 days’ written notice following the happening of certain events or upon 90 days’ written notice in all other cases. Upon the earlier of the termination of the Administration Agreement or the dissolution of the Issuer, the Administrator shall cease to serve in such capacity.

The Administrator’s principal office is at P.O. Box 1234, Queensgate House, George Town, Grand Cayman, KY1-1108, Cayman Islands.

## Directors

The Issuer will have three directors, each of whom will initially be an employee or officer of the Administrator or an Affiliate of the Administrator.

The directors of the Issuer, who are also the directors of Investors Corp., are Scott Dakers, Evan Burton and Vijayabalan Murugesu. Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may, for so long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding is greater than the number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding, vote at any time to remove any or all of the directors and appoint other directors who may be employees, officers or designees of the Servicer.

Directors of the Issuer may serve as directors of, and provide services to, other special purpose entities that issue collateralized obligations and perform other duties for the Administrator and the Servicer, as the case may be. They may be contacted at the address of the Administrator.

The director of the Co-Issuer is Donald Puglisi. Mr. Puglisi is also the President, Secretary and Treasurer of the Co-Issuer. Mr. Puglisi is a Professor of Finance at the University of Delaware. Mr. Puglisi serves as a director of, and provides services to, a number of special purpose entities. He may be contacted at the address of the Co-Issuer.

## PREVENTION OF MONEY LAUNDERING

To ensure compliance with applicable statutory requirements relating to anti-money laundering and anti-terrorism initiatives, the Share Registrar, on behalf of the Issuer, will require verification of identity and source of funds from all prospective purchasers of the Preference Shares. Depending on the circumstances of each purchase, it may not always be necessary to obtain full documentary evidence of identity and/or source of funds where:

1. The purchaser is a licensed entity or financial institution regulated in a country recognized as having an adequate anti-money laundering regime<sup>1</sup>;
2. The purchaser is an entity or financial institution listed on the Cayman Islands or other approved stock exchange<sup>2</sup>; or
3. The funds have been paid from an account held in the name of the purchaser at a financial institution based in a country recognized as having an adequate anti-money laundering regime.

## MATERIAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

### General

The following summary describes the principal U.S. federal income tax and Cayman Islands tax consequences that are expected to be applicable to the purchase, ownership and disposition of the Notes, but does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all the tax considerations that may be relevant to a decision to purchase the Notes. In particular, special tax considerations that may apply to certain types of taxpayers, including, without limitation, securities dealers, banks, financial institutions, partnerships, insurance companies, purchasers of Notes who did not acquire the Notes at the applicable "issue price" (defined below), and subsequent purchasers of the Notes, are not addressed. In addition, this summary does not describe any tax consequences resulting from or relating to the Preference Shares or

<sup>1</sup> The list of acceptable countries is: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bahamas, Bahrain, Barbados, Belgium, Bermuda, Brazil, British Virgin Islands, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Gibraltar, Greece, Guernsey, Hong Kong, Iceland, Ireland, Isle of Man, Israel, Italy, Japan, Jersey, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Malta, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Panama, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom and United States of America.

<sup>2</sup> A list of approved Stock Exchanges can be found under Appendix H of the Cayman Islands Money Laundering Regulations (as amended) which may be accessed on the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority website at [www.cimoney.com.ky](http://www.cimoney.com.ky).

any tax consequences arising under the laws of any state, locality or taxing jurisdiction other than the U.S. federal government and the Cayman Islands. In general, the summary assumes that a purchaser acquires a Note at original issuance and holds such Note as a capital asset and not as part of a hedge, straddle, or conversion transaction, within the meaning of section 1258 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”).

This summary is based on the U.S. and Cayman Islands tax laws, regulations, rulings and decisions in effect on the date of this Offering Memorandum. All of the foregoing are subject to change, which change may apply retroactively and could affect the continued validity of this summary.

Prospective purchasers of the Notes should note that no ruling from the Internal Revenue Service (the “IRS”) will be sought with respect to any tax matters discussed herein, and there can be no assurance that the IRS will agree with such statement and conclusions. Prospective purchasers of the Notes should consult their tax advisors as to U.S. federal income tax and Cayman Islands tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of the Notes and the possible application of state, local, foreign or other tax laws.

As used in this section, “Material Income Tax Considerations,” the term “**U.S. Holder**” means a beneficial owner of a Note who is a citizen or individual resident of the United States, a corporation (or any other entity treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes) created or organized in or under the laws of the United States, or an estate or trust (other than a “foreign estate” or a “foreign trust,” each as defined in the Code).

If a partnership (including any entity treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes) is a beneficial owner of the Notes, the U.S. federal income tax treatment of a partner in the partnership will generally depend on the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership.

**TO COMPLY WITH TREASURY DEPARTMENT CIRCULAR 230, YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT: (A) ANY DISCUSSION OF FEDERAL TAX ISSUES IN THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS NOT INTENDED OR WRITTEN TO BE USED, AND CANNOT BE USED BY YOU, FOR THE PURPOSE OF AVOIDING PENALTIES THAT MAY BE IMPOSED ON YOU UNDER THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE; (B) ANY SUCH DISCUSSION IS INCLUDED HEREIN BY THE ISSUERS IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROMOTION OR MARKETING (WITHIN THE MEANING OF CIRCULAR 230) BY THE ISSUERS OF THE TRANSACTIONS OR MATTERS ADDRESSED HEREIN; AND (C) YOU SHOULD SEEK ADVICE BASED ON YOUR PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCES FROM AN INDEPENDENT TAX ADVISOR.**

#### U.S. Federal Income Taxation of the Issuer

*U.S. Federal Income Tax.* Although the Issuer will elect to be treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, there can be no assurance that it will not be treated as or become a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes. If the Issuer is treated as a partnership, the Issuer will not itself be subject to U.S. federal income tax. The following discussion assumes that the Issuer will be treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes at all times.

Section 864(b)(2) of the Code provides a specific exemption from U.S. federal income tax to non-U.S. persons which either (i) trade stocks or securities through a resident broker, commission agent, custodian or other independent agent or (ii) restrict their activities in the United States to trading in stocks and securities (and any other activity closely related thereto) for their own account, whether such trading (or such other activity) is by such person or its employees or through a resident broker, commission agent, custodian or other agent. This particular exemption described in clause (ii) above does not apply to foreign persons that are dealers in stocks and securities. Moreover, the Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service recently announced that they are considering taxpayer requests for specific guidance on, among other things, whether a foreign person may be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States by virtue of entering into credit default swaps. However, the Treasury and the Internal Revenue

Service have not yet provided any guidance on whether they believe entering into credit default swaps may cause a foreign person to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States and if so, what facts and circumstances must be present for this conclusion to apply. If any future guidance concludes that foreign persons entering into certain credit default swaps will be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States, such guidance may adversely impact the Issuer.

Prior to the issuance of the Securities, the Issuer will receive an opinion from Latham & Watkins LLP (“**Tax Counsel**”) based, in part, on the exemption described in the preceding paragraph to the effect that, although no activity closely comparable to that contemplated by the Issuer has been the subject of any Treasury regulation, revenue ruling or judicial decision and the matter is not free from doubt, assuming compliance with the Issuer’s Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement and other related documents (collectively, the “**Documents**”) by all parties thereto, the Issuer’s permitted activities will not cause it to be treated as engaged in the conduct of a U.S. trade or business under the Code. Investors should note that gain or loss on a disposition by a foreign person of a United States real property interest may be subject to United States federal income tax even if the foreign person is otherwise not engaged in a U.S. trade or business. Because the determination of whether an asset constitutes a United States real property interest is made periodically, although the Issuer is prohibited from acquiring an asset that constitutes a United States real property interest, it is possible that an asset that was not a United States real property interest at the time such asset was acquired by the Issuer will become a United States real property interest after the asset is acquired. Because the Issuer may be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business solely with respect to such gain or loss, Tax Counsel’s opinion will not address the taxation of the Issuer with respect to such disposition. In addition, in interpreting and complying with the Documents, the Issuer and the Servicer are entitled to rely upon the advice and/or opinions of their selected counsel, and the opinion of Tax Counsel will assume that any such advice and/or opinions, other than advice given by Tax Counsel, are correct and complete. The opinion of Tax Counsel will be based on the Code, the Treasury regulations (final, temporary and proposed) thereunder, the existing authorities, and Tax Counsel’s interpretation thereof, all as in effect as of the date of such opinion, and on certain factual assumptions and representations as to the Issuer’s contemplated activities. The Issuer intends to conduct its business in accordance with the assumptions, representations and agreements upon which the opinion of Tax Counsel is based. However, opinions and advice of Tax Counsel or other counsel are not binding on the IRS. Accordingly, in the absence of authority on point, whether the Issuer is or will be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States or not is not entirely free from doubt, and there can be no assurance that positions contrary to those stated in the opinion of Tax Counsel or any other advice or opinion may not be asserted successfully by the IRS.

*U.S. Federal Withholding Taxes.* Generally, U.S. source interest income received by a foreign person not engaged in a trade or business within the United States is subject to U.S. withholding tax at the rate of 30% of the amount thereof. The Code provides an exception for interest that constitutes “portfolio interest,” which is exempt from withholding tax. The term “portfolio interest” is generally defined as interest paid with respect to debt issued after July 18, 1984 that meets the “registration” requirement, unless the interest constitutes a certain type of contingent interest or is paid to a 10% shareholder of the payor, to a controlled foreign corporation (a “**CFC**”) related to the payor, or to a bank with respect to a loan entered into in the ordinary course of its business. For purposes of applying the 10% shareholder and related CFC rules, certain constructive ownership rules contained in the Code apply. The Issuer intends that all of the Collateral Obligations purchased that consist of obligations of U.S. issuers to the extent that they are treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes will either (i) pay interest qualifying as “portfolio interest” for which federal income withholding tax is not otherwise applicable or (ii) require the obligor to make “gross-up” payments to offset fully any such tax on any such payments. However, withholding tax may be imposed on certain payments received by the Issuer as a result of one or more non-U.S. persons’ ownership of Preference Shares. Furthermore, there can be no assurance that the Issuer will not become subject to such withholding without “gross-up” payments as a result of a change in or the adoption of a U.S. tax statute, or any change in or the issuance of a regulation or equivalent authority. Any such change, adoption or issuance may constitute a Withholding Tax Event. See “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”



The Issuer may acquire certain types of Collateral Obligations not constituting debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes under the assumption that they are not subject to U.S. withholding tax despite the absence of clear authority that withholding tax is not payable.

Any commitment fees and any lending fees received under a Securities Lending Agreement or similar fees or other items of income (other than interest) received by the Issuer may be subject to U.S. withholding tax. However, the Issuer does not anticipate that it will derive material amounts of any such commitment fees and lending fees or similar fees or other items of income that would be subject to U.S. withholding taxes.

The Issuer may also acquire Collateral Obligations that consist of obligations of non-U.S. issuers. Payments in respect of such Collateral Obligations may be or could become subject to foreign withholding tax. In this regard, the Issuer is not generally permitted to purchase any obligations, the payments on which are subject to withholding tax, unless the issuer of the obligation is required to make “gross-up” payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax.

## **U.S. Federal Income Taxation of U.S. Holders of Notes**

*Status of the Notes.* In the opinion of Tax Counsel, the Senior Notes issued on the Closing Date will be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The Issuer will treat, and each person acquiring an interest in a Note will be deemed to agree to treat, the Notes as debt. The opinion of Tax Counsel is based on current law and certain representations and assumptions and is not binding on the IRS or the courts, and no ruling will be sought from the IRS regarding this, or any other, aspect of the U.S. federal income tax treatment of the Notes. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the IRS will not contend, and that a court will not ultimately hold, that for U.S. federal income tax purposes one or more Classes of the Notes are properly treated as equity in the Issuer. In that case, there might be adverse U.S. federal income tax consequences to a U.S. Holder of Notes upon the sale, redemption, retirement or other disposition of, or the receipt of certain types of distributions on, the Notes. Except for the discussion under “United States Income Taxation of the Class D Notes if Characterized as Equity” below, the remainder of the discussion assumes that the Notes are properly characterized as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

*Maturity Extension and Extension Bonus Payment.* Because the Stated Maturity of the Notes may be extended if certain conditions are met, it is unclear whether the Notes should be treated as maturing on May 1, 2022 or May 1, 2038, or on a date between such dates. The Treasury regulations do not provide clear guidance on debt instruments with terms similar to the Notes. Absent further guidance, the Issuer intends to take the position that the Notes should be treated as maturing on May 1, 2022. If the Notes are extended, the Issuer intends to treat each Note, solely for purposes of sections 1272 and 1273 of the Code, as retired and reissued for an amount equal to the adjusted issue price on the date of the new Extension Effective Date. Prospective investors in the Notes should consult their tax advisors regarding whether the Notes should be treated as maturing on a different date and the tax consequences if the Notes have a different maturity date than that chosen by the Issuer.

If the Stated Maturity is extended, the extension of the Stated Maturity would be treated as a modification of the Notes if the Notes may be sold to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser that is related to the Issuer within the meaning of section 267(b) of the Code. If such extension constitutes a modification, there is a significant risk that U.S. Holders who continue to hold their Notes after such extension will be treated as having exchanged their Notes for new Notes (“**New Notes**”) in a deemed exchange for U.S. federal income tax purposes (a “**Deemed Exchange**”). Any such Deemed Exchange would be treated as a taxable exchange, resulting in gain or loss, if any. Furthermore, if the Notes are treated as exchanged for New Notes in a Deemed Exchange as a result of a Maturity Extension, whether the New Notes would be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes will depend on the facts and circumstances existing at the time of such Deemed Exchange. Tax Counsel is unable to opine on whether New Notes treated as received in a Deemed Exchange for the Notes will be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In the event of a Deemed Exchange, U.S. Holders are strongly urged to consult their tax advisors regarding the tax consequences of such Deemed Exchange.

The tax treatment of the Extension Bonus Payment and the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount is unclear. The Issuer intends to take the positions that the full amount of the Extension Bonus Payment should be taxable to U.S. Holders as ordinary income in accordance with their method of accounting, that the CDS/TRS Termination Payment, if any, should be treated as part of the amount realized upon a disposition of the Notes and that none of the Extension Bonus Payment, the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount or the Issuer's options to extend the Stated Maturity should cause the Notes to be treated as subject to the rules applicable to "contingent payment debt instruments" under Section 1.1275-4 of the Treasury regulation. U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisors regarding the taxation of the Extension Bonus Payment and the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount, and the tax consequences of the Notes if they are treated as contingent payment debt instruments.

*Taxation of Interest Income.* Stated interest on the Notes that is considered "unconditionally payable" (as described below) will be includable in income by a U.S. Holder when received or accrued in accordance with such Holder's method of tax accounting as ordinary interest income from sources outside the United States.

If the "issue price" of any Note is less than the "stated redemption price at maturity" ("SRPM") of such Note, the excess of the SRPM over the issue price may constitute original issue discount ("OID"). Under a de minimis rule, if the excess of the SRPM of such Note over its issue price is less than one-fourth of one percent of the SRPM multiplied by the weighted average maturity (determined under applicable Treasury regulations) of such Note, such Note will not be treated as issued with OID. If any such Notes are issued at a greater than de minimis discount or are otherwise treated as having been issued with OID, the excess of the SRPM of such Notes over their issue price will constitute OID. Under the Code, a U.S. Holder of such Notes would be required to include the daily portions of OID, if any, in income as interest from sources outside the United States over the term of such Notes under a constant yield method that reflects the time value of money, regardless of such U.S. Holder's method of tax accounting and without regard to the timing of actual payments.

The "issue price" of the Notes is the first price at which a substantial amount of the Notes are sold for money (excluding sales to bond houses, brokers or similar persons or organizations acting in the capacity of underwriters, placement agents or wholesalers). Treasury regulations provide, for purposes of determining whether a debt instrument is issued with OID, that stated interest must be included in the SRPM of a debt instrument if such interest is not "unconditionally payable" in money at least annually. Interest is considered "unconditionally payable" if reasonable legal remedies exist to compel timely payment or terms and conditions of the debt instrument make the likelihood of late payment (other than late payment that occurs within a reasonable grace period) or nonpayment (ignoring the possibility of nonpayment due to default, insolvency or similar circumstances) a remote contingency. Stated interest on the Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2a Notes, Class A-2b and Class A-3 Notes will be "unconditionally payable" at least annually and thus will be included in income in accordance with a U.S. Holder's method of accounting. Because interest on the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes may not be due and payable on any Payment Date to the extent that funds are not available on such Payment Date to pay the full amount of such interest or in order to satisfy certain Coverage Tests, the Issuer intends to take the position that payment of interest on the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes will not be viewed as "unconditionally payable." Assuming such treatment is respected, all interest payments on the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes would be required to be included in the SRPM of such Notes and, therefore, accrued by a U.S. Holder pursuant to these OID rules. Accordingly, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes would be subject to the OID rules whether or not they are issued at an issue price equal to their principal amount.

Because the Floating Rate Notes provide for a floating rate of interest, a U.S. Holder of Floating Rate Notes must include in income interest or OID, if any, on the Floating Rate Notes at the floating rate in effect for the first accrual period (assuming the Floating Rate Notes are issued without OID other than any "deemed" discount attributable to the accrual of interest). The amount of interest or OID actually recognized for any applicable period will increase (or decrease) if interest actually paid during the period is more (or less) than the amount accrued at the initial floating rate.

If the Notes of a Class are not issued at an issue price equal to their principal amount, in computing OID with respect to such Notes, the Issuer intends (absent definitive guidance) to determine the amount of OID to be included in income annually by U.S. Holders of such Notes under an income accrual method, prescribed by Section 1272(a)(6) of the Code, applicable to debt instruments payments under which may be accelerated by reason of prepayments of other obligations securing such debt instruments or a pool of debt instruments the yield on which may be affected by reason of prepayments, that uses an assumption as to the expected prepayments on the Notes. The application of section 1272(a)(6) of the Code to debt instruments with prepayment features similar to the Notes is uncertain, however, and may be challenged by the IRS. In the event that the IRS successfully challenged the Issuer's characterization of such Notes as subject to section 1272(a)(6) of the Code, any such Notes might be treated as contingent payment debt instruments. Prospective investors should consult their tax advisors regarding the potential application of the method under section 1272(a)(6) of the Code and the rules governing contingent payment debt instruments for accruing any prospective OID on the Notes.

*Disposition of Notes.* In general, a U.S. Holder of a Note will have a basis in such Note equal to the cost of such Note to such Holder, increased by any amount includable in income by such Holder as OID and reduced by any payments of principal and interest on such Note, other than payments of stated interest that are not required to be included in the SRPM of such Note.

Upon the sale, exchange, retirement or other disposition of such Note, a U.S. Holder will recognize taxable gain or loss, if any, generally equal to the difference between the amount realized on the sale or other disposition (other than accrued stated interest that was not required to be included in the SRPM of such Note, which interest will be taxable as such) and such U.S. Holder's adjusted tax basis in such Note. Any such gain or loss will generally be long-term capital gain or loss provided that such Note had been held for more than one year at the time of the sale or other disposition. In certain circumstances, U.S. Holders that are individuals may be entitled to preferential treatment for net long-term capital gains; however, the ability of U.S. Holders to offset capital losses against ordinary income is limited.

*United States Income Taxation of the Class D Notes if Characterized as Equity.* As discussed above, the Issuer will treat, and each person acquiring an interest in a Note will be deemed to agree to treat, the Class D Notes as debt of the Issuer and the discussions above assume that the Class D Notes would be characterized as debt for United States federal income tax purposes. However, the United States federal income tax treatment of the Class D Notes is subject to significant uncertainty and no ruling from the IRS has been sought regarding this issue. Accordingly, there can be no assurances that the IRS will not contend, and that a court will not ultimately hold, that the Class D Notes are equity of the Issuer.

If the Class D Notes were treated as equity, a U.S. Holder of Class D Notes will generally be treated as a partner of the Issuer, and would be generally required to take into account such Holder's allocable share of the Issuer's items of income, gain, loss, deduction and credit for the taxable year of the Issuer ending within or with the taxable year of the U.S. Holder regardless of whether such Holder has received or will receive corresponding distributions from the Issuer. Investors are strongly urged to consult their tax advisors as to the possible characterization of the Class D Notes as equity, the tax consequences resulting from such characterization, and the advisability of filing an IRS Form 8865.

### **Tax Treatment of Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders of Notes**

U.S. Holders which are tax-exempt entities ("**Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders**") will not be subject to the tax on unrelated business taxable income ("**UBTI**") with respect to interest and capital gains income derived from an investment in the Notes. However, a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder that also acquires Preference Shares should consider whether interest it receives in respect of the Notes may be treated as UBTI under rules governing certain payments received from controlled entities.

Notwithstanding the discussion in the preceding paragraph, a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder which incurs "acquisition indebtedness" (as defined in Section 514(c) of the Code) with respect to the Notes may be subject to the tax on UBTI with respect to income from the Notes to the extent that the Notes constitute "debt-financed property" (as defined in Section 514(b) of the Code) of the Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder.

Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisors regarding an investment in the Notes.

### **Transfer Restrictions on the Class D Notes**

The Issuer will not recognize any transfer of Class D Notes if the proposed transfer will cause the Issuer to have more than ninety-nine beneficial owners (as determined for purposes of the provisions of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h)) of its Class D Notes and Preference Shares unless it receives the consent of all of the Holders of the Preference Shares and an opinion of counsel to the effect that Holders of the Notes will not recognize gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such transfer, and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such transfer had not been made. In addition, the Class D Notes may not be traded on an “established securities market,” and the Issuer will not recognize any transfers made pursuant to any such trades. For this purpose, the term “established securities market” includes any national securities exchange registered under Section 6 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or exempted from registration because of the limited volume of transaction; any foreign securities exchange that, under the laws of the jurisdiction where it is organized, satisfies regulatory requirements that are analogous to the regulatory requirements imposed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; any regional or local exchange; and any interdealer quotation system that regularly disseminates firm buy or sell quotations by identified brokers or dealers, by electronic means or otherwise.

Holders of the Class D Notes will not be permitted to transfer any of the Class D Notes they hold unless the transferee provides, among other things, the Trustee (1) appropriate documentation required under the Code and the applicable Treasury regulations establishing that the beneficial owner is either a non-U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-8BEN or an IRS Form W-8IMY with appropriate attachments) or a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-9), (2) if the beneficial owner is not a U.S. Holder, certification that (i) the beneficial owner either is not a bank or is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates U.S. federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States and (ii) the beneficial owner is not purchasing the Class D Notes in order to reduce its United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan, and (3) for a beneficial owner that is treated as a partnership, S-corporation or grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a written representation that (i) there will not be any interests in such beneficial owner where substantially all of the value of such interest is attributable to the value of the Class D Notes proposed to be transferred to such beneficial owner, together with the value of any Class D Notes, Holding Securities and Preference Shares already held by such beneficial owner and (ii) the beneficial owner is not a part of any arrangement a principal purpose of which is to cause the Class D Notes and Preference Shares to be treated as owned by 100 persons or less within the meaning of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h). Each transferee of a Class D Note will also be required to agree to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form and other certificate in each of the following circumstances: (i) no later than 120 days prior to the expiration (if applicable) of the last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate, (ii) upon any change of circumstance that would cause that the last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate to be incorrect and (iii) upon a request by the Issuer or the Share Registrar. Each transferee will also be required to agree that if such transferee fails to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form or other certificate no later than 120 days prior to the expiration of the last previously provided U.S. tax form or, if earlier, within the time specified in any request by the Issuer or the Share Registrar (which shall not be less than 30 days), the Issuer will have the unconditional right to cause such transferee to sell any and all Class D Notes to the Issuer or to a person chosen by the Issuer or the Issuer’s agent on such terms as the Issuer may choose. For this purpose, an IRS Form W-8IMY (or any successor form thereto) will be deemed to expire upon the expiration of any withholding statement or U.S. tax forms associated with such IRS Form W-8IMY.

### **U.S. Federal Income Taxation of Non-U.S. Holders**

The summary contained in this subsection outlines certain significant U.S. federal income tax principles that are likely to apply to a beneficial owner that is treated as a non-resident alien or foreign corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes (a “**Non-U.S. Holder**”). It assumes that the Non-U.S.

Holder's investment in the Issuer is not effectively connected with the conduct by such Non-U.S. Holder of a trade or business in the United States.

Payments on the Notes to a Non-U.S. Holder will generally be exempt from any U.S. federal income or withholding taxes, as will gains derived from the sale, exchange or redemption of the Notes, *provided that* such payments or gains are not effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business of such Holder, and generally, in the case of gain (excluding accrued OID, if any) of a non-resident alien individual Holder, the Holder is not present in the United States for 183 days or more during the taxable year of the sale and certain other conditions are satisfied. However, if it were determined that the Issuer were engaged in a U.S. trade or business, a portion of the payments on the Notes paid to a Non-U.S. Holder may be subject to a 30% U.S. withholding tax.

As discussed above, the United States federal income tax treatment of the Class D Notes is subject to significant uncertainty and no ruling from the IRS has been sought regarding this issue. If the Class D Notes were treated as equity of the Issuer, among other things, a Non-U.S. Holder may be subject to withholding taxes with respect to payments under the Class D Notes. Furthermore, in such event, if the Issuer were engaged in a U.S. trade or business, a Non-U.S. Holder would also be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business and would be required to file and pay U.S. federal income taxes on its allocable share of the Issuer's income (and possibly on any gain on a disposition of Class D Notes) that is (or is deemed to be) effectively connected with such U.S. trade or business at graduated U.S. federal income tax rates applicable to U.S. Holders (corporate Non-U.S. Holders may also be subject to the branch profits tax). Investors are strongly urged to consult their tax advisors as to the possible U.S. federal income tax characterization of the Class D Notes as equity and the tax consequences resulting from such characterization.

### **Information Reporting and Backup Withholding**

Information reporting to the IRS generally will be required with respect to payments on the Notes, and proceeds of the sale of the Notes to U.S. Holders other than corporations and other exempt recipients. A "backup" withholding tax generally will apply to those payments if such Holder fails to provide certain identifying information (such as the Holder's taxpayer identification number) to the Trustee. "Non-effectively connected" gain or distributions received by a Non-U.S. Holder will generally not be subject to U.S. information reporting requirements or U.S. "backup" withholding tax, although such Holder may be required to furnish a certificate to the paying agent of the Issuer attesting to their status as a Non-U.S. Holder in order to avoid the application of such information reporting requirements and backup withholding. Backup withholding is not an additional tax and may be refunded (or credited against the Holder's U.S. federal income tax liability, if any) *provided that* certain required information is furnished to the IRS in a timely manner.

### **Cayman Islands Tax Considerations**

The following discussion of certain Cayman Islands income tax consequences of an investment in the Securities is based on the advice of Ogier as to Cayman Islands law. The discussion is a general summary of present law, which is subject to prospective and retroactive change. It assumes that the Issuer will conduct its affairs in accordance with assumptions made by, and representations made to, counsel. It is not intended as tax advice, does not consider any investor's particular circumstances, and does not consider tax consequences other than those arising under Cayman Islands law.

Under existing Cayman Islands laws:

(i) payments of principal and interest on the Notes and dividends and capital in respect of the Preference Shares will not be subject to taxation in the Cayman Islands and no withholding will be required on such payments to any Holder of a Security and gains derived from the sale of Securities will not be subject to Cayman Islands income or corporation tax. The Cayman Islands currently have no income, corporation or capital gains tax and no estate duty, inheritance tax or gift tax;

(ii) no stamp duty is payable in respect of the issue or transfer of Securities although duty may be payable if Notes are executed in or brought into the Cayman Islands; and

(iii) certificates evidencing Securities, in registered form, to which title is not transferable by delivery, should not attract Cayman Islands stamp duty. However, an instrument transferring title to a Note, if brought to or executed in the Cayman Islands, would be subject to Cayman Islands stamp duty.

The Issuer has been incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands as an exempted company and, as such, has applied for and obtained an undertaking from the Governor in Cabinet of the Cayman Islands in substantially the following form:

**“THE TAX CONCESSIONS LAW  
(1999 REVISION)  
UNDERTAKING AS TO TAX CONCESSIONS**

In accordance with Section 6 of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision) the Governor in Cabinet undertakes with:

Eastland CLO, Ltd. “the Company”

- (a) that no Law which is hereafter enacted in the Islands imposing any tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations shall apply to the Company or its operations; and
- (b) in addition, that no tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations or which is in the nature of estate duty or inheritance tax shall be payable
  - (i) on or in respect of the shares debentures or other obligations of the Company; or
  - (ii) by way of the withholding in whole or in part of any relevant payment as defined in Section 6(3) of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision).

These concessions shall be for a period of TWENTY years from the 18<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2006.

GOVERNOR IN CABINET”

The Cayman Islands does not have an income tax treaty arrangement with the U.S. or any other country.

THE PRECEDING DISCUSSION IS ONLY A SUMMARY OF CERTAIN OF THE TAX IMPLICATIONS OF AN INVESTMENT IN THE SECURITIES. PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS ARE URGED TO CONSULT WITH THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS PRIOR TO INVESTING TO DETERMINE THE TAX IMPLICATIONS OF SUCH INVESTMENT IN LIGHT OF SUCH INVESTORS’ CIRCUMSTANCES.

**CONSIDERATIONS FOR BENEFIT PLANS**

Except as described below, the Preference Shares and the Class D Notes may not be purchased by any Benefit Plan Investor. Subject to the following discussion, the Senior Notes may generally be acquired by Benefit Plan Investors. Any fiduciary or other person contemplating an investment in the Securities by, on behalf of or using the assets of, an employee benefit or similar plan or arrangement, whether or not subject to Title I of ERISA (as defined below) or Section 4975 of the Code, should consider, among other things, the matters described below before deciding whether to invest in any of the Securities.

The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“**ERISA**”), establishes fiduciary standards for persons having authority or control of the assets of employee benefit plans subject to Title I thereof, including collective investment funds and other entities whose underlying assets are treated as if they were the assets of such plans (collectively, “**ERISA Plans**”) pursuant to Section 3(42) of ERISA, and the regulation issued by the United States Department of Labor (“**DOL**”) and found at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 (the “**Plan Asset Regulation**”) or otherwise pursuant to ERISA. Under Title I of ERISA, any person who exercises any authority or control with respect to the management or disposition of the assets of an ERISA Plan is considered to be a fiduciary of such ERISA Plan.

Investments by ERISA Plans are subject to ERISA’s general fiduciary requirements, including the requirement of investment prudence and diversification and the requirement that an ERISA Plan’s investments be made in accordance with the documents governing the relevant plan. The prudence of a particular investment must be determined by the responsible fiduciary of an ERISA Plan by taking into account the ERISA Plan’s particular circumstances and all of the facts and circumstances of the investment. A fiduciary of an ERISA Plan should consider, for example, that in the future there may be no market in which to sell or otherwise dispose of the Securities, whether an investment in the Securities may be too illiquid or too speculative, and whether the assets of the ERISA Plan would be sufficiently diversified.

Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code effectively prohibit certain transactions involving the assets of an ERISA Plan (as well as those plans that are not subject to Title I of ERISA but are subject to Section 4975 of the Code (each such plan or ERISA Plan, a “**Plan**”)) and certain persons having certain relationships to such Plans (referred to as “parties in interest” or “disqualified persons”), unless a statutory or administrative exemption applies to the transaction. A violation of these “prohibited transaction” rules may generate excise tax or other penalties and liabilities under ERISA and the Code for such person.

Additionally, the acquisition or holding of Securities by or on behalf of benefit plans that are not subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, such as foreign plans, governmental plans (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA) and certain church plans (as defined in Section 3(33) of ERISA) could give rise to similar liabilities under federal, state, foreign or local law which may be substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (a “**Similar Law**”), and/or might be prohibited or otherwise restricted as described herein.

Section 3(42) of ERISA and the Plan Asset Regulation define “plan assets” of a Plan with respect to the Plan’s investment in an entity for purposes of certain provisions of ERISA, including the fiduciary responsibility and prohibited transaction provisions of Title I of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code. Under Section 3(42) of ERISA and the Plan Asset Regulation, if a Plan invests in an “equity interest” of an entity that is neither a “publicly-offered security” nor a security issued by an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act, the Plan’s assets include both the equity interest and an undivided interest in each of the entity’s underlying assets, unless it is established that the entity is an “operating company” or that Benefit Plan Investors hold less than 25% of the value of any class of equity interest of the entity, determined as of the most recent acquisition of an equity interest. The term “Benefit Plan Investor” includes (a) an employee benefit plan as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA, that is subject to Title I of ERISA, (b) a plan described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code and (c) any entity whose underlying assets include “plan assets” of any of the foregoing by reason of an investment in the entity by such a plan or arrangement (a “**Benefit Plan Investor**”). For purposes of making the 25% determination, the value of any equity interests held by a person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) who has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the entity or who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to such assets, or any “affiliate” of such a person (as defined under the Plan Asset Regulation), will be disregarded. Under the Plan Asset Regulation, an “affiliate” of a person includes any person, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controlling, controlled by or under common control with the person, and “control”

with respect to a person other than an individual, means the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of such person.

An “equity interest” is defined under the Plan Asset Regulation as an interest other than an instrument which is treated as indebtedness under applicable local law and which has no substantial equity features.

### **Senior Notes**

The Co-Issuers believe that, at the time of their issuance, the Senior Notes should be treated as indebtedness without substantial equity features for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulation. This determination is based in part upon the traditional debt features of such Senior Notes, including the reasonable expectation of purchasers of such Senior Notes that they will be repaid when due, as well as the absence of conversion rights, warrants and other typical equity features. The Co-Issuers will therefore not monitor the investment by Benefit Plan Investors in the Senior Notes. It should be noted that the debt treatment of the Senior Notes for ERISA purposes could change subsequent to their issuance (i.e., they could be treated as equity) if the Issuers incur losses or the rating or other terms and conditions of the Senior Notes changes. The risk of recharacterization is enhanced for subordinate classes of the Senior Notes. The Co-Issuers have not obtained an opinion of counsel regarding the debt treatment of Senior Notes under local law or the Plan Asset Regulation.

Regardless of the characterization of the Senior Notes as debt or equity under the Plan Asset Regulation and regardless of the level of Benefit Plan Investor investment in any class of Securities, the acquisition or holding of Senior Notes by or on behalf of a Plan could give rise to a prohibited transaction if any of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, other persons providing services in connection with the Issuers, or any of their respective affiliates is a “party in interest” or “disqualified person” with respect to that Plan. Persons acting on behalf of Plans that acquire the Securities should also consider that an indirect prohibited transaction could result in connection with the Issuer’s acquisition of Collateral from CGMI (or one of its affiliates) if CGMI is a “disqualified person” or “party in interest” with respect to such Regulated Plans. Certain exemptions from the prohibited transaction rules could be applicable, however, depending in part upon the type of fiduciary making the decision to acquire Senior Notes and the circumstances under which such decision is made. Included among these exemptions are the statutory prohibited transactions exemption under Section 408(b)(17) of ERISA available to “service providers” to the Plan (other than a fiduciary with respect to the Plan assets used to acquire the Senior Notes or any of its affiliates) provided that the transaction is for “adequate consideration”, United States Department of Labor (“**DOL**”) Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption (“**PTCE**”) 84-14, regarding transactions effected by independent “qualified professional asset managers;” PTCE 90-1, regarding investments by insurance company pooled separate accounts; PTCE 91-38, regarding investments by bank collective investment funds; PTCE 95-60, regarding investments by insurance company general accounts; and PTCE 96-23, regarding transactions effected by certain “in-house asset managers.” However, even if the conditions specified in one or more of these exemptions are met, the scope of the relief provided by these exemptions might or might not cover all acts which might be construed as prohibited transactions. There can be no assurance that any of these, or any other exemption, will be available with respect to any particular transaction involving the Senior Notes.

Similarly, the acquisition or holding of Senior Notes by or on behalf of foreign plans, governmental plans (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA) and certain church plans (as defined in Section 3(33) of ERISA), which are not subject to Title I of ERISA and/or Section 4975 of the Code, could give rise to a prohibited transaction or other liabilities under Similar Law.

By acquiring a Senior Note, each purchaser and transferee will be deemed to represent, warrant and covenant that either (i) it is not, and is not acquiring such Senior Note with the assets of, a Plan or a foreign, governmental or church plan subject to Similar Law, and throughout the holding and disposition of such Senior Note, it will not become or transfer its interest to any Plan or foreign, governmental or church plan or to an entity using the assets thereof, or (ii) the acquisition, holding and disposition of such



Senior Note by the purchaser or transferee, throughout its holding and disposition of such Senior Note, will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a foreign, governmental or church plan, any violation of Similar Law), because such purchase, holding and disposition either (x) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (y) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all of the conditions of which are and will be satisfied upon its acquisition of, and throughout its holding and disposition of, such Senior Note. Each investor in a Senior Note will be deemed to represent, warrant and covenant that it will not sell, pledge or otherwise transfer such Senior Note in violation of the foregoing, and that it and any person causing it to acquire such Senior Note agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of such purchaser not satisfying the foregoing or as a result of its transferring its interest to a Person not meeting the foregoing requirements. Any purported transfer of the Senior Note to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of the foregoing shall be null and void *ab initio*, and will vest in the transferee no rights against the Trustee or the Co-Issuers.

### **Class D Notes and Preference Shares**

Although the Issuer will treat the Class D Notes as debt, this characterization is subject to uncertainty and the Class D Notes may be characterized as equity interests for purposes of Section 3(42) of ERISA and the Plan Asset Regulation. The Preference Shares are equity of the Issuer and will be treated as equity interests for purposes of Section 3(42) of ERISA and the Plan Asset Regulation. Accordingly, the Issuer intends to limit the purchase and holding of each of the Class D Notes, the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares by Benefit Plan Investors to less than 25% of the aggregate outstanding amount of each of the Class D Notes, the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares (excluding for purposes of such determination any Class D Notes or Preference Shares held by “Controlling Persons” as defined below), by requiring each purchaser or transferee thereof to make certain representations and agreements with respect to its status as a Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person, and to agree to additional transfer restrictions described under “Transfer Restrictions.” In making the 25% determination, Class D Notes and Preference Shares held by any person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer or any “affiliate” (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) of any such person (any such person, a “**Controlling Person**”) (such as the Class D Notes and the Class II Preference Shares held by the Servicer or its affiliates and employees thereof) will be disregarded and not treated as outstanding. No purchase of a Class D Note or a Preference Share by, or proposed transfer to, a person that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person will be permitted to the extent that such purchase or transfer would result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of the Class D Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares, as applicable, (excluding for purposes of such determination any Class D Notes or Preference Shares, as applicable, held by any Controlling Person immediately after such purchase or proposed transfer (determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents).

In addition, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Trustee will agree that, after the initial distribution of the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares, neither they nor any of their respective affiliates will acquire any Class D Notes or Preference Shares (including pursuant to the Extension Procedure, a Refinancing, or the Amendment Buy-Out Option) unless such acquisition would not, as determined by the Trustee in reliance on representations made in the applicable transfer certificates with respect thereto, result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of any of the Class D Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such acquisition (determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents). The Class D Notes and the Preference Shares held as principal by the Servicer, the Trustee, any of their respective affiliates (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) and persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons

will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% limitation to the extent that such Controlling Person is not a Benefit Plan Investor.

Each purchaser and transferee will be further required to represent, warrant and covenant that no transfer of a Class D Note or a Preference Share will be made to a Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person except as provided herein, and that it and any fiduciaries or other Person causing it to acquire such Securities agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of any transfer of Class D Notes or Preference Shares, as applicable, in violation of the foregoing.

### **Independent Review and Consultation with Counsel**

Any person proposing to purchase Securities with assets of an employee benefit plan or similar plan or arrangement, including a collective investment fund, insurance company general account or a foreign, governmental or church plan, should consult with its counsel with respect to, among other things, the limitations applicable to Benefit Plan Investors specified herein, and the potential applicability of ERISA, the Code and Similar Law to such investment and whether any exemption from the prohibited transaction provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code or such Similar Law would be applicable. Each investor must determine on its own whether all conditions of any applicable exemption have been satisfied. Moreover, each ERISA Plan fiduciary should determine whether, under the general fiduciary standards of investment prudence and diversification, an investment in the Securities is appropriate for the ERISA Plan, taking into account the overall investment policy of the ERISA Plan, the composition of the ERISA Plan's investment portfolio, and the risk/return characteristics of the Securities.

### **PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION**

The Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchaser will enter into the Purchase Agreement relating to the purchase and sale of the Notes, and the Issuer and the Placement Agent will enter into the Placement Agency Agreement relating to the placement of the Class II Preference Shares. In the Purchase Agreement, the Co-Issuers will agree to sell to the Initial Purchaser, and the Initial Purchaser will agree to purchase, the entire principal amount of the Notes (or, in the case of the Co-Issuer, the Senior Notes) as set forth in the Purchase Agreement. In the Placement Agency Agreement, the Placement Agent will agree to use its reasonable efforts to sell on behalf of the Issuer, subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions, the Class II Preference Shares as set forth in the Placement Agency Agreement. The Purchase Agreement and the Placement Agency Agreement will provide that the obligations of the Initial Purchaser and the Placement Agent, as applicable, to purchase or place the applicable Securities will be subject to the approval of legal matters by counsel and to other conditions. The Co-Issuers have agreed to indemnify the Initial Purchaser and the Placement Agent, as applicable, against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, and has agreed to contribute to payments that the Initial Purchaser or the Placement Agent, as applicable, may be required to make in respect thereof.

On the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase certain of the Class C Notes having an aggregate principal amount equal to U.S.\$11,000,000, certain of the Class D Notes having an aggregate principal amount equal to U.S.\$9,000,000 and all of the Class II Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S. \$62,000,000, in each case, at a discounted purchase price and (ii) the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates (other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries) are expected to purchase certain of the Holding Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$11,583,000 at a discounted purchase price. CGMI or an Affiliate thereof may provide financing for these purchases. In addition, the Issuer will agree to sell, and Investors Corp. will agree to purchase, all of the Class I Preference Shares in privately negotiated transactions. CGMI is not acting as a placement agent or initial purchaser with respect to the Class I Preference Shares sold directly by the Issuer to Investors Corp.

The Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act and may not be

offered, sold or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, a U.S. person, on behalf of the Co-Issuers (or, in the case of the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares, the Issuer), except to Qualified Institutional Buyers (or, solely in the case of a Holder purchasing Class D Notes on the Closing Date, to an Institutional Accredited Investor) in transactions not subject to the registration requirements of the Securities Act in reliance on Rule 144A under the Securities Act, that are also Qualified Purchasers.

The Co-Issuers have been advised by the Initial Purchaser and the Placement Agent, as applicable, that the Initial Purchaser proposes to resell the Notes purchased pursuant to the Purchase Agreement and the Placement Agent proposes to place the Class II Preference Shares pursuant to the Placement Agency Agreement (a) only to Qualified Institutional Buyers (or, solely in the case of a Holder purchasing Class D Notes on the Closing Date, to an Institutional Accredited Investor) that are also Qualified Purchasers in reliance on an exemption under the Securities Act and (b) in the case of the Senior Notes, to non U.S. persons in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S. Any offer or sale of such Notes or Class II Preference Shares in the United States will be made by the Initial Purchaser and the Placement Agent, as applicable, or other broker-dealers, including Affiliates of CGMI, who are registered as broker-dealers under the Exchange Act. Until the expiration of 40 days after the later of the Closing Date and the commencement of the offering of the Notes, a re-offer or resale of any Senior Notes originally sold pursuant to Regulation S to, or for the account or benefit of, a U.S. person by a dealer or person receiving a concession, fee or remuneration in respect of the Notes (whether or not they participated in the offering) may violate the registration requirements of the Securities Act unless such offer or sale is made in accordance with an exemption from registration under the Securities Act.

Each purchaser of Class D Notes or Preference Shares will be required to execute and deliver a subscription agreement, in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer, which will include, among other things, representations and warranties substantially similar to those described under “Transfer Restrictions”.

The Securities will be sold in individual, negotiated transactions at varying prices to be determined in each case at the time of sale.

The Securities are offered when, as and if issued, subject to prior sale or withdrawal, cancellation or modification of the offer. The Securities will constitute new classes of securities with no established trading market. Such a market may or may not develop, but neither the Initial Purchaser nor the Placement Agent is under any obligation to make such a market, and if it does make such a market it may discontinue any market-making activities with respect to the Securities at any time without notice. Any market-making activities will be subject to restrictions under applicable law. No assurances can be made as to the liquidity of or any trading market for the Securities.

CGMI and its Affiliates may have had in the past and may in the future have business relationships and dealings with the Servicer and its Affiliates and one or more issuers or obligors of Collateral Obligations or other Collateral and their Affiliates and may own equity or debt securities issued by such persons. CGMI and their Affiliates may have provided and in the future may provide commercial and investment banking and other services to such persons and may have received or may receive compensation for such services.

One or more Affiliates of CGMI are financing the acquisition of Collateral Obligations by the Issuer prior to the Closing Date. The Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates on the one hand and CGMI and one or more of their Affiliates on the other hand will each be entitled to retain 50% of the interest and any fees and commissions (net of any financing fees payable to the Pre-Closing Parties) paid by the obligors of such Collateral Obligations or accrued from the time of purchase to the Closing Date. In addition, a broker-dealer Affiliate of the Servicer may receive a fee for placing certain of the Holding Securities and/or certain of the Securities. CGMI or its Affiliates may also provide financing to the Servicer or its Affiliates in connection with their purchase of certain Class C Notes, Class D Notes and Class II Preference Shares which will be secured by a lien on such financed Class C Notes, Class D Notes and Class II Preference Shares.

This Offering Memorandum is being furnished on a confidential basis solely for the purpose of considering the purchase of the Securities. Each recipient of this Offering Memorandum should make

such investigations as it deems necessary to arrive at an independent evaluation of an investment in the Securities and should consult its own legal counsel and financial, accounting, regulatory and tax advisors to determine the consequences of such an investment. Delivery of this Offering Memorandum should not be construed as a recommendation by the Initial Purchaser or the Placement Agent to purchase the Securities. This Offering Memorandum is intended for the exclusive use of persons who are both Qualified Institutional Buyers (or, solely in the case of a Holder purchasing Class D Notes on the Closing Date, an Institutional Accredited Investor) and Qualified Purchasers and, if applicable, non-U.S. persons, and may not be reproduced or used for any other purpose or furnished to any other party. No action has been or will be taken in any jurisdiction that would permit a public offering of the Securities, or the possession, circulation or distribution of this Offering Memorandum or any other material relating to CGMI or the Securities, in any jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required. Accordingly, the Securities may not be offered or sold, directly or indirectly, and neither this Offering Memorandum nor any other offering material or advertisements in connection with the Securities may be distributed or published, in or from any country or jurisdiction except under circumstances that will result in compliance with any applicable rules and regulations of any such country or jurisdiction.

Each of the Initial Purchaser and the Placement Agent will represent and agree that it has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated an invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of Section 21 of the FSMA) received by it in connection with the issue or sale of the Notes in circumstances in which Section 21(1) of the FSMA does not apply to the Issuer; and it has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA with respect to anything done by it in relation to the Notes in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom.

Each of the Initial Purchaser and the Placement Agent has represented and agreed that:

(i) it will not underwrite or place Securities otherwise than in conformity with the provisions of the Investment Intermediaries Act, 1995 of Ireland, as amended, including, without limitation, Sections 9 and 23 (including advertising restrictions made thereunder) thereof and the codes of conduct made under Section 37 thereof or, in the case of a credit institution exercising its rights under the Banking Consolidation Directive (2000/12/EC of 20th March, 2000) in conformity with the codes of conduct or practice made under Section 117(1) of the Central Bank Act, 1989, of Ireland, as amended, in each case with respect to anything done by it in relation to the Securities if operating in, or otherwise involving, Ireland;

(ii) in connection with offers or sales of the Securities, it has only issued or passed on, and will only issue or pass on, in Ireland, any document received by it in connection with the issue of such Securities to persons who are persons to whom the documents may otherwise lawfully be issued or passed on; and

(iii) in respect of a local offer (within the meaning of Section 38(1) of the Investment Funds, Companies and Miscellaneous Provisions Act 2005 of Ireland (the “**2005 Act**”)) of the Securities in Ireland, it has complied and will comply with Section 49 of the 2005 Act.

Each of the Initial Purchaser and the Placement Agent has agreed that it has not made and will not make any invitation to the public in the Cayman Islands to subscribe for the Securities.

No action is being taken or is contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Securities or possession or distribution of any Offering Memorandum (in preliminary or final form) or any amendment thereof, any supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Securities in any jurisdiction where, or in any other circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Each of the Initial Purchaser and the Placement Agent understands and agrees that it is solely responsible for its own compliance with all laws applicable in each jurisdiction in which it offers and sells the applicable Securities or distributes any Offering Memorandum (in preliminary or final form) or any amendments thereof or supplements thereto or any other material and it agrees to comply with all of these laws.

The Issuer has agreed to indemnify the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Servicer, the Administrator, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Trustee against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, or to contribute to payments it may be required to make in respect thereof.

Certain of the Collateral Obligations will have been originally underwritten or placed by CGMI or its Affiliates. It is expected that one or more Affiliates of CGMI may act as counterparty with respect to all or a portion of the Synthetic Securities. One or more Affiliates of CGMI may, with acceptable credit support arrangements, if necessary, engage in securities lending transactions with the Issuer. The Issuer may enter into a Hedge Agreement with an Affiliate of CGMI on the Closing Date, and may enter into additional Hedge Agreements with such Affiliates thereafter. See “Hedge Agreements.” In addition, CGMI or its Affiliates may have in the past and may in the future perform investment banking services or other services for issuers of the Collateral Obligations. Further, CGMI will sell and/or finance Collateral Obligations to or for the Issuer (including, without limitation, Collateral Obligations to be purchased on the Closing Date).

In addition, CGMI or its Affiliates may from time to time as a principal or through one or more investment funds that it manages, make loans to, or investments in the debt and/or equity securities of, one or more of the issuers of Collateral Obligations and one or more of such issuers may be or may become controlled by CGMI or its affiliates. CGMI or its Affiliates may act as a placement agent and/or initial purchaser in other transactions involving issues of collateralized debt obligations and other similar portfolios managed by other investment managers, and may provide financing for the accumulation of leveraged loans and high yield bonds as collateral for such transactions. Neither the Initial Purchaser nor the Placement Agent is obligated to make any particular securities or loans available to the Issuer or the Servicer, and may allocate such securities or loans among its various customer relationships, including the Issuer and the Servicer. Such activities may have an adverse effect on the availability of Collateral for the Issuer. See “Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving Citigroup Global Markets Inc.”

CGMI and its Affiliates may purchase Notes for their own account or for re-packaging purposes or enter into transactions related or linked to the Notes. If CGMI or any of its Affiliates purchases Notes it shall be entitled to transfer such Notes subject to the transfer restrictions set forth in the Indenture. See “Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving Citigroup Global Markets Inc.”

Affiliates of CGMI may pay finder’s fees to non-U.S. persons in connection with the offering and distribution of the applicable Securities outside the United States. The Co-Issuers will pay all other fees and expenses in connection with the offering as set forth in the Purchase Agreement and the Placement Agency Agreement. Details of any such fees and expenses will be made available upon request. The Co-Issuers extend to each prospective investor the opportunity, prior to the consummation of the sale of the Securities, to ask questions of, and receive answers from the Co-Issuers or a person or persons acting on behalf of the Co-Issuers, including the Initial Purchaser concerning the Notes and the Placement Agent concerning the Class II Preference Shares and the terms and conditions of the offering and to obtain any additional information it may consider necessary in making an informed investment decision and any information in order to verify the accuracy of the information set forth herein, to the extent the Co-Issuers possess the same or can acquire the same without unreasonable effort or expense. Requests for such additional information can be directed to CGMI at 390 Greenwich Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10013, Attention: CDO Group.

## **SETTLEMENT AND CLEARING**

### **Book Entry Registration of the Global Notes**

So long as the Depository, or its nominee, is the registered owner or Holder of a Global Note, the Depository or the nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the sole owner or Holder of the Senior Notes represented by a Global Note for all purposes under the Indenture, the Issuer Charter and the Global Notes, and members of, or participants in, the Depository as well as any other persons on whose

behalf the participants may act (including Clearstream and Euroclear and account holders and participants therein) will have no rights under the Indenture, the Issuer Charter or a Global Note. Owners of beneficial interests in a Global Note will not be considered to be owners or Holders of the related Senior Note under the Indenture or the Issuer Charter. Unless the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for a Global Note or ceases to be a “clearing agency” registered under the Exchange Act, owners of a beneficial interest in a Global Note will not be entitled to have any portion of a Global Note registered in their names, will not receive or be entitled to receive physical delivery of Senior Notes in certificated form and will not be considered to be the owners or Holders of any Senior Notes under the Indenture. In addition, no beneficial owner of an interest in a Global Note will be able to transfer that interest except in accordance with the Depository’s applicable procedures (in addition to those under the Indenture and, if applicable, those of Euroclear and Clearstream).

Investors may hold their interests in a Regulation S Global Note directly through Clearstream or Euroclear, if they are participants in Clearstream or Euroclear, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in Clearstream or Euroclear. Clearstream and Euroclear will hold interests in the Regulation S Global Notes on behalf of their participants through their respective depositories, which in turn will hold the interests in Regulation S Global Notes in customers’ securities accounts in the depositories’ names on the books of the Depository. Investors may hold their interests in a Rule 144A Global Note directly through the Depository if they are participants in the Depository, or in directly through organizations that are participants in the Depository.

Payments of principal of, or interest or other distributions on a Global Note will be made to the Depository or its nominee, as the registered owner thereof. The Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the paying agents, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Servicer and their respective Affiliates will not have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests in a Global Note or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to the beneficial ownership interests.

The Co-Issuers expect that the Depository or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment of principal, interest, or other distributions in respect of a Global Note representing any Senior Notes, as the case may be, held by it or its nominee, will immediately credit participants’ accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the stated aggregate principal amount or number of a Global Note for the Senior Notes, as shown on the records of the Depository or its nominee. The Co-Issuers also expect that payments by participants to owners of beneficial interests in a Global Note held through the participants will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers registered in the names of nominees for those customers. The payments will be the responsibility of the participants.

### **Global Note Settlement Procedures**

Transfers between the participants in the Depository will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with the Depository rules and will be settled in immediately available funds. The laws of some states require that certain persons take physical delivery of securities in definitive form. Consequently, the ability to transfer beneficial interests in a Global Note to these persons may be limited. Because the Depository can only act on behalf of participants, who in turn act on behalf of indirect participants and certain banks, the ability of a person holding a beneficial interest in a Global Note to pledge its interest to persons or entities that do not participate in the Depository system, or otherwise take actions in respect of its interest, may be affected by the lack of a physical certificate of the interest. Transfers between participants in Euroclear and Clearstream will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with their respective rules and operating procedures.

Subject to compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Securities described above and under “Transfer Restrictions,” cross-market transfers between the Depository, on the one hand, and directly or indirectly through Euroclear or Clearstream participants, on the other, will be effected in the Depository in accordance with the Depository rules on behalf of Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case

may be, by its respective depository; *however*, the cross-market transactions will require delivery of instructions to Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, by the counterparty in the system in accordance with its rules and procedures and within its established deadlines (Brussels time). Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, will if the transaction meets its settlement requirements, deliver instructions to its respective depository to take action to effect final settlement on its behalf by delivering or receiving interests in a Senior Note represented by a Regulation S Global Note in the Depository and making or receiving payment in accordance with normal procedures for same-day funds settlement applicable to the Depository. Clearstream participants and Euroclear participants may not deliver instructions directly to the depositories of Clearstream or Euroclear.

Because of time zone differences, cash received in Euroclear or Clearstream as a result of sales of interests in a Regulation S Global Note by or through a Euroclear or Clearstream participant to the Depository participant will be received with value on the Depository settlement date but will be available in the relevant Euroclear or Clearstream cash account only as of the business day following settlement in the Depository.

The Depository has advised the Issuer that it will take any action permitted to be taken by a Holder of Securities (including the presentation of Securities for exchange as described above) only at the direction of one or more participants in the Depository to whose account with the Depository interests in the Securities are credited and only in respect of the portion of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities as to which the participant or participants has or have given the direction.

The Depository has advised the Issuer as follows: The Depository is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a “banking organization” within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a “clearing corporation” within the meaning of the UCC and a “Clearing Agency” registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. The Depository was created to hold securities for its participants and facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of its participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates. Participants in the Depository include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations and may include certain other organizations. Indirect access to the Depository system is available to others such as banks, brokers, dealers, and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a participant, either directly or indirectly.

Although the Depository, Clearstream and Euroclear have agreed to the foregoing procedures to facilitate transfers of interests in Regulation S Global Notes among participants of the Depository, Clearstream and Euroclear, they are under no obligation to perform or continue to perform the procedures, and the procedures may be discontinued at any time. Neither the Co-Issuers nor the Trustee will have any responsibility for the performance by the Depository, Clearstream, or Euroclear or their respective participants or indirect participants of their respective obligations under the rules and procedures governing their operations.

### **TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS**

Because of the following restrictions, purchasers are advised to consult legal counsel prior to making any offer, resale, pledge or transfer of the Securities. Purchasers of Senior Notes represented by an interest in a Regulation S Global Note are advised that such interests are not transferable to U.S. Persons at any time except in accordance with the following restrictions.

Each prospective purchaser of Securities that is a U.S. Person or is purchasing the Securities in a non-Offshore Transaction (a “**U.S. Offeree**”), by accepting delivery of this Offering Memorandum, will be deemed to have represented and agreed as follows:

- (1) The U.S. Offeree acknowledges that this Offering Memorandum is personal to the U.S. Offeree and does not constitute an offer to any other person or to the public generally to subscribe for or otherwise acquire the Securities other than pursuant to transactions exempt from

the registration requirements under the Securities Act or in Offshore Transactions in accordance with Regulation S. Distribution of this Offering Memorandum to any person other than the U.S. Offeree and those persons, if any, retained to advise the U.S. Offeree with respect thereto, and other persons that are, (a) in the case of the Senior Notes, Qualified Institutional Buyers or non-U.S. Persons or, (b) in the case of the Class D Notes or the Preference Shares, Qualified Institutional Buyers is unauthorized and any disclosure of any of its contents, without the prior written consent of the Co-Issuers, is prohibited.

(2) The U.S. Offeree agrees to make no photocopies of this Offering Memorandum or any documents referred to herein and, if the U.S. Offeree does not purchase the Securities or the offering is terminated, to return this Offering Memorandum and all documents referred to herein to CGMI at 390 Greenwich Street., 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10013, Attention: CDO Group.

Under the Indenture (with respect to the Co-Issuers) and the Preference Share Documents (with respect to the Issuer), the Co-Issuers or the Issuer will agree to comply with the requirements of Rule 144A relative to the dissemination of information to prospective purchasers in the secondary market. See “Available Information.”

The Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act and, (a) in the case of the Senior Notes, may not be offered or sold in non-Offshore Transactions or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. Persons, except to Qualified Institutional Buyers in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act who are also Qualified Purchasers and (b) in the case of the Class D Notes or the Preference Shares, may only be offered or sold to Qualified Institutional Buyers (or, solely in the case of a Holder purchasing Class D Notes on the Closing Date, to an Institutional Accredited Investor) in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act who are also Qualified Purchasers.

Any purported transfer of a Security not in accordance with this section shall be null and void and shall not be given effect for any purpose hereunder.

#### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes**

Each purchaser of a beneficial interest in Senior Notes represented by a Rule 144A Global Note will be deemed to represent and agree (on its own behalf, or if the purchaser is acquiring the Senior Notes for any account, on behalf of each such account) (and each transferee of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will be required or deemed to represent and agree) as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A or Regulation S are used herein as defined therein):

(1) (A) The purchaser is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser, (B) the purchaser is purchasing the Senior Notes for its own account or the account of another Qualified Purchaser that is also a Qualified Institutional Buyer as to which the purchaser exercises sole investment discretion, (C) the purchaser and any such account is acquiring the Senior Notes as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (D) the purchaser and any such account was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Senior Notes (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (E) to the extent the purchaser (or any account for which it is purchasing the Senior Notes) is a private investment company formed on or before April 30, 1996, the purchaser and each such account has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (F) the purchaser is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (G) the purchaser is not a pension, profit-sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants or affiliates may designate the particular investment to be made, (H) the purchaser agrees that it and each such account shall not hold such Senior Notes for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Senior Notes or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to



which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the distributions on the Senior Notes (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (I) the Senior Notes purchased directly or indirectly by the purchaser or any account for which it is purchasing the Senior Notes constitute an investment of no more than 40% of the purchaser's and each such account's assets (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (J) the purchaser and each such account is purchasing the Senior Notes in a principal amount of not less than the minimum denomination requirement for the purchaser and each such account, (K) the purchaser will provide notice of the transfer restrictions set forth in the Indenture (including the exhibits thereto) to any transferee of its Senior Notes and (L) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Senior Notes to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph (1) shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(2) The purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Senior Notes, and the purchaser, and any account for which it is acting, are each able to bear the economic risk of the purchaser's or its investment.

(3) The purchaser understands that the Senior Notes are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Senior Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein, such Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the applicable legend in respect of such Senior Notes set forth in (6) below and the restrictions set forth in the Indenture. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Co-Issuers, the Servicer or the Initial Purchaser as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Senior Notes.

(4) The purchaser is not purchasing the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Senior Notes involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of its entire investment in the Senior Notes under certain circumstances. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Co-Issuers, the Senior Notes and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchaser.

(5) In connection with the purchase of Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Servicer by any Affiliate of or account serviced by the Servicer): (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for the purchaser, (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates other than in the Offering Memorandum and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other person) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of the Senior Notes or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has

consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the Indenture) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein reflect those in relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) if the purchaser is acting for the account of another investor, the purchaser represents that the investment on behalf of such account is based on a determination that the investment is suitable based on the risks referred to in this Offering Memorandum (including, without limitation, the “Risk Factors” and the “Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes”), given the investment objectives of the account for which the purchase is being made, and that the investment is consistent with any applicable legal requirements; (vii) the purchaser is purchasing the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (viii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

(6) (i) The purchaser understands that the Senior Notes offered to Qualified Institutional Buyers in reliance on the exemption from the registration requirements under the Securities Act provided by Rule 144A (a) will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Co-Issuers determine otherwise in accordance with applicable law, (b) will be represented by one or more Rule 144A Global Notes, and (c) may not at any time be resold, pledged or transferred to U.S. Persons that are not Qualified Institutional Buyers and Qualified Purchasers. Before any interest in a Rule 144A Global Note may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a Person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note, the transferor will be required to provide the Trustee with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “**SECURITIES ACT**”), AND THE CO-ISSUERS HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**”). THE PURCHASER HEREOF, BY PURCHASING THIS NOTE, AGREES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CO-ISSUERS THAT THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN MAY BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, ONLY (A)(1) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT SO LONG AS THIS NOTE IS ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A OR (2) TO A NON-U.S. PERSON IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION COMPLYING WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND, IN CASE OF CLAUSE (1), TO A PURCHASER THAT (W) IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WITH EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER), (X) TO THE EXTENT THE PURCHASER (OR ANY ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS PURCHASING THE NOTES) IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS, (Y) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS, AND (Z) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR

AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE, (B) IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN U.S.\$250,000 FOR THE PURCHASER AND FOR EACH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS ACTING AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE STATES OF THE UNITED STATES. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS TRANSFEREE. EACH PURCHASER OF THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE CO-ISSUERS, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE CO-ISSUERS MAINTAIN THE RIGHT TO RESELL NOTES OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED U.S. HOLDERS (AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE INDENTURE.

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

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE AND ANY PAYING AGENT WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR SUCCESSOR APPLICABLE FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE") OR AN APPLICABLE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR SUCCESSOR APPLICABLE FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THIS NOTE.

THE PURCHASER HEREOF, BY PURCHASING THIS NOTE, AGREES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CO-ISSUERS THAT THIS NOTE AND ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT TO A PERSON THAT REPRESENTS, WARRANTS AND COVENANTS THAT EITHER (I) IT IS NOT, AND IS NOT USING THE ASSETS OF, AND THROUGHOUT THE HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF SUCH NOTES WILL NOT BECOME OR TRANSFER ITS INTEREST TO, AN "EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(3) OF THE UNITED STATES EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("**ERISA**"), THAT IS SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA, A "PLAN" DESCRIBED IN SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "**CODE**") THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, OR AN ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE THE ASSETS OF ANY SUCH PLAN, OR A GOVERNMENTAL, FOREIGN OR CHURCH PLAN SUBJECT TO ANY FEDERAL, STATE, FOREIGN OR LOCAL LAW THAT IS SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE OR (II) ITS PURCHASE, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF THIS NOTE WILL NOT RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE (OR IN THE CASE OF ANY GOVERNMENTAL,

FOREIGN OR CHURCH PLAN, ANY VIOLATION OF FEDERAL, STATE, FOREIGN OR LOCAL LAW SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE) BECAUSE SUCH PURCHASE, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF SUCH NOTE EITHER (A) IS NOT, AND WILL NOT BECOME, SUBJECT TO SUCH LAWS, OR (B) IS COVERED BY AN EXEMPTION FROM ALL APPLICABLE PROHIBITED TRANSACTIONS, ALL OF THE CONDITIONS OF WHICH ARE AND WILL BE SATISFIED UPON THE ACQUISITION OF, AND THROUGHOUT ITS HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF, THIS NOTE. ANY PURPORTED TRANSFER OF THIS NOTE THAT DOES NOT COMPLY WITH THESE REQUIREMENTS SHALL BE NULL AND VOID *AB INITIO*.

(ii) In addition, each Regulation S Global Note representing any Senior Note will contain the following additional legend:

EACH TRANSFEREE OF THE NOTE REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL, IF REQUIRED BY THE INDENTURE, BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE INDENTURE OR WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE.

(7) The purchaser will provide notice to each person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Senior Notes of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Indenture, including the exhibits referenced therein.

(8) The purchaser understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein who is a U.S. Person and who is determined not to have been both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser at the time of acquisition of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein to sell such interest, or to sell such interest on behalf of such purchaser, to a person that is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A or to a person that is a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S.

(9) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Senior Notes, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase Senior Notes from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell such Senior Note to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(10) The purchaser understands that the Stated Maturity of the Senior Notes is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

(11) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Co-Issuers that would permit a public offering of the Senior Notes in any jurisdiction. The purchaser further acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Co-Issuers that would permit possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Senior Notes in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the offering memorandum relating to the Senior Notes shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Senior Notes in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

(12) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

(13) (a) Either (i) the purchaser is not, and is not using the assets of, and throughout the holding and disposition of the Senior Notes will not become or transfer its interest to, an employee benefit plan or other fund or arrangement subject to Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“**ERISA**”), a plan subject to Section 4975(e) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “**Code**”) or a governmental, foreign or church plan which is subject to any federal, state, foreign or local law that is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or (ii) the purchaser’s purchase, holding and disposition of such Senior Notes will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any federal, state, foreign or local law that is substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code) because such purchase, holding and disposition of such Senior Notes either (x) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws, or (y) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all of the conditions of which are and will be satisfied upon the acquisition of, and throughout its holding and disposition of, such Senior Notes; (b) the purchaser shall not transfer an interest in such Senior Notes to any transferee unless such transferee meets the foregoing requirements; and (c) the purchaser and any fiduciaries or other Person causing it to acquire such Senior Notes agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of such purchaser not meeting the foregoing requirements or as a result of its transferring its interest to a transferee not meeting the foregoing requirements. Any purported purchase or transfer of the Senior Notes to a purchaser or transferee that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph (13) shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(14) The purchaser understands that the Co-Issuers may receive a list of participants holding positions in its securities from one or more book-entry depositories.

(15) The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Senior Notes or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Indenture, to which provisions the purchaser hereby agrees it is subject.

(16) The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

(17) The beneficial owner will agree to treat the Senior Notes as unconditional debt of the Issuer for tax, accounting and financial reporting purposes.

(18) To the extent required, as determined by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Trustee, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Senior Notes to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the U.S. Patriot Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Senior Note to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

(19) The purchaser understands that, to the extent required, as determined by the Co-Issuers, the Co-Issuers may amend the Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer only, the Preference Share Documents, without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders of the Securities that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7 if, at any time following the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers elect to rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7).

(20) The purchaser understands that the Issuer may enter into amendments or modifications to the Servicing Agreement without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities.

(21) The purchaser agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

(22) The purchaser acknowledges that the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Trustee and the Initial Purchaser. If the purchaser is acquiring any Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein as a fiduciary or agent for one or more institutional accounts, it represents that it has sole investment discretion with respect to each such account and it has full power to make the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements on behalf of such account.

#### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Regulation S Global Notes**

Each purchaser of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note will be further deemed (and each transferee of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note will be required or deemed), in addition to making the representations set forth in paragraphs (3), (4), (5) and (7) through (22) above in “—Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes,” to represent and agree as follows:

The purchaser is aware that the Senior Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or any other applicable state securities law and the sale of such Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Regulation S and understands that the Senior Notes offered in reliance on Regulation S will bear the appropriate legend set forth in paragraph (6) above in “—Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes” and will be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Notes. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchaser as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any other jurisdiction for resale of the Senior Notes. The purchaser and each beneficial owner of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein that it holds is not, and will not be, a U.S. Person as defined in Regulation S and its purchase of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located and will be in a principal amount of not less than U.S.\$ 250,000. The purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein, and it, and any accounts for which it is acting are each able to bear the economic risk of its investment. Before any interest in a Regulation S Global Note may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note, the transferor and the transferee will be required to provide the Trustee with written certifications as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

#### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Class D Notes**

Each purchaser of Class D Notes acquiring such Class D Notes in the initial offering will be required to enter into a Subscription Agreement with the Issuer (or otherwise provides the Issuer with a certification) pursuant to which each such purchaser will be required to represent and agree (and each subsequent transferee will be required to represent and agree), on its own behalf as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A are used herein as defined therein):

(1) The purchaser is a Qualified Institutional Buyer (or, solely in the case of a purchaser purchasing Class D Notes on the Closing Date, an Institutional Accredited Investor ) and is aware that the sale of Class D Notes to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements provided by Section 4(2) and is acquiring the Class D Notes for its own account (and not for the account of any family or other trust, any family member or any other person). In addition, the purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Class D Notes, and the purchaser is able to bear the economic risk of the purchaser's investment.

(2) The purchaser understands that the Class D Notes are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Class D Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Class D Notes, such Class D Notes may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the legend in respect of such Class D Notes set forth in (7) below and the restrictions set forth in the Indenture. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Issuer, the Servicer or the Initial Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Class D Notes.

(3) The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Class D Notes or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Indenture, to which provisions the purchaser agrees it is subject.

(4) The purchaser is not purchasing the Class D Notes with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that the Class D Notes will be highly illiquid and are not suitable for short-term trading. The Class D Notes are a leveraged investment in the Collateral Obligations that may expose the Class D Notes to disproportionately large changes in value. Payments in respect of the Class D Notes are not guaranteed as they are dependent on the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Class D Notes involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of all or a substantial part of its investment. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Issuer, the Class D Notes and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Class D Notes, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Issuer and the Initial Purchaser.

(5) In connection with the purchase of Class D Notes (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Servicer by any Affiliate of or account serviced by the Servicer): (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for the purchaser, (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates other than in the Offering Memorandum and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other Person or documentation for the Class D Notes) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal,

regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of the Class D Notes or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the documentation for the Class D Notes) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Class D Notes reflect those in relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) the purchaser is purchasing the Class D Notes with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (vii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

(6) (A) The purchaser is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer (or, solely in the case of a purchaser purchasing Class D Notes on the Closing Date, an Institutional Accredited Investor) and (b) a Qualified Purchaser, (B) the purchaser is acquiring the Class D Notes as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (C) the purchaser was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Class D Notes (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser is a Qualified Purchaser), (D) to the extent the purchaser is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, the purchaser has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (E) the purchaser is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (F) the purchaser is not a pension, profit-sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants or affiliates may designate the particular investment to be made, (G) the purchaser agrees that it shall not hold such Class D Notes for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Class D Notes or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or other distributions on the Class D Notes (except when each such other Person is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (b) a Qualified Purchaser) and (H) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Class D Notes to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(7) The purchaser understands that the Class D Notes (A) will be represented by either one or more Class D Note certificates which will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Issuer determines otherwise in accordance with applicable law, and (B) may only be resold, pledged or transferred to Qualified Institutional Buyers who are also Qualified Purchasers. The purchaser understands that before the Class D Notes may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred, the transferee will be required to provide the Trustee and the Issuer with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “**SECURITIES ACT**”), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**”). THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER (“**QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT (OR, SOLELY IN THE CASE OF A PURCHASER PURCHASING THE NOTES ON THE CLOSING DATE, TO AN INSTITUTIONAL INVESTOR THAT IS ALSO AN ACCREDITED INVESTOR AS DEFINED IN RULE 501(a)(1), (2), (3) or (7) UNDER REGULATION D UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT) PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT (IN A TRANSACTION



MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE NOTES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A) WHO IS ALSO A QUALIFIED PURCHASER (“**QUALIFIED PURCHASER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER) AND THAT (1) HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (2) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS AND (3) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE, (B) IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN U.S.\$250,000 FOR THE PURCHASER AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY BE PURCHASED BY OR TRANSFERRED TO A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR CONTROLLING PERSON (EACH AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE) ONLY UPON THE SATISFACTION OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID *AB INITIO*, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL ANY NOTES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS OR NON-PERMITTED BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS (AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE INDENTURE.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER AND ANY PAYING AGENT, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE SERVICER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A “UNITED STATES PERSON” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A “UNITED STATES PERSON” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY.

THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY NOT BE ACQUIRED OR HELD BY (I) ANY “EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(3) OF THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED (“**ERISA**”), THAT IS SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA, (II) ANY “PLAN” DESCRIBED BY SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE “**CODE**”), THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, OR (III) ANY ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE “PLAN ASSETS” OF ANY PLAN DESCRIBED IN (I) OR (II) BY REASON OF A PLAN’S INVESTMENT IN SUCH ENTITY (EACH OF (I), (II) AND (III), A “**BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR**”), EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE.

EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE INDENTURE.

(8) The purchaser will provide notice to each Person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Class D Notes of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Indenture, including the exhibits referenced in the Indenture.

(9) The purchaser understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Class D Notes who is determined not to have been (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer (with the exception of a purchaser purchasing Class D Notes on the Closing Date that is an Institutional Accredited Investor) and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, at the time of acquisition of the Class D Notes to sell such Class D Notes, or to sell such Class D Notes on behalf of such purchaser, to a Person that is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act.

(10) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Class D Notes. The purchaser further acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Securities in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the offering memorandum relating to the Class D Notes shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Class D Notes in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

(11) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Class D Notes, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase Class D Notes from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell such Class D Notes to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(12) The purchaser understands that the Stated Maturity of the Class D Notes is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

(13) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Class D Notes by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

(14) The beneficial owner will agree to treat, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, (a) the Preference Shares as equity of the Issuer, (b) the Notes as indebtedness of the Issuer and (c) the Issuer as a partnership (except to the extent the Issuer can no longer be treated as a partnership as a result of any election by the Issuer, changes in ownership of the Issuer or changes in the manner in which the equity of the Issuer is traded). The beneficial owner will be deemed to have acknowledged that the Issuer is not authorized to engage in activities that could cause it to constitute a finance or lending business for U.S. federal income tax purposes and agrees that it will report its investment in the Notes consistent with such limitation.

(15) The beneficial owner, if not a U.S. Person, either (i) is not a bank (within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code (as defined below in paragraph 23)) or (ii) is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States. The beneficial owner is not purchasing the Class D Notes in order to reduce its United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan.

(16) To the extent required, as determined by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Trustee and the Indenture Registrar, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Class D Notes to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the U.S. Patriot Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Class D Note to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

(17) The purchaser agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

(18) The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

(19) The beneficial owner will agree to treat the Class D Notes as unconditional debt of the Issuer for tax, accounting and financial reporting purposes.

(20) The purchaser understands that, prior to any sale or other transfer of any interest in Class D Notes, it (or the transferee, as applicable) will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Trustee a duly executed transfer certificate substantially in the form provided in the Indenture and such other certificates and other information as they may reasonably require to confirm that the proposed transfer complies with the restrictions in the legend placed on each certificate representing the Class D Notes and in the Indenture.

(21) The purchaser understands that, to the extent required, as determined by the Co-Issuers, the Co-Issuers may amend the Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer only, the Preference Share Documents, without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders of the Securities that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7 if, at any time following the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers elect to rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7).

(22) The purchaser understands that the Issuer may enter into amendments or modifications to the Servicing Agreement without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities.

(23) The purchaser understands and agrees that no purchase or transfer of the Class D Notes (i) to a purchaser or transferee that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor (as defined in Section 3(42) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (“**ERISA**”) or a Controlling Person (as defined under the Indenture) will be effective, and the Issuer or the Indenture Registrar will not recognize or register such purchase or transfer, if such purchase or transfer would result in Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of Class D Notes (determined pursuant to Section 3(42) of ERISA, 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 and the Indenture) or (ii) will be permitted if such purchase or transfer will result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “**Code**”) (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law). The purchaser or transferee further understands and agrees that any transfer in violation of the applicable provisions of the Indenture will be null and void *ab initio*. For purposes of the determination described in the first sentence of this paragraph (23), the Class D Notes held by the Trustee, the Servicer, any of their respective affiliates (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) and any other persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding unless such person is also a Benefit Plan Investor. The purchaser’s acquisition,

holding and disposition of the Class D Notes will not result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law), because such purchase, holding and disposition either (a) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (b) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all conditions of which are and will be been satisfied throughout its holding and disposition of such Class D Notes. The purchaser and any fiduciary or other Person causing it to acquire the Class D Notes agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage, or loss incurred by them as a result of a breach of the representations set forth in this paragraph (23) and paragraph (24). If the purchaser is an insurance company investing through its general account as defined in PTCE 95-60, for so long as it holds the Class D Notes, such purchaser represents that the percentage of the assets of such insurance company general account that may be treated as “plan assets” under ERISA and the Code will always remain below 25% (as determined pursuant to ERISA and the Code).

(24) (a) The funds that the purchaser is using or will use to purchase the Class D Notes are \_\_\_ / are not \_\_\_ (check one) assets of a person who is or at any time while the Class D Notes are held by the purchaser will be (A) an “employee benefit plan” as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA, that is subject to Title I of ERISA, (B) a “plan” described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code or (C) an entity whose underlying assets include “plan assets” of either of the foregoing by reason of the investment by an employee benefit plan or other plan in the entity within the meaning of the Plan Asset Regulation, as modified by Section 3(42) of ERISA (the plans and persons described in clauses (A), (B) and (C) being referred to as “**Benefit Plan Investors**”). If the purchaser is a Benefit Plan Investor that is an entity (other than an insurance company general account) whose underlying assets include “plan assets” by reason of an employee benefit plan’s or other plan’s investment in the entity, for so long as it holds the Class D Notes, such purchaser represents that the percentage of its assets that may be treated as “plan assets” under ERISA and the Code will never exceed \_\_\_% (as determined pursuant to ERISA and the Code).

(b) The purchaser is \_\_\_ / is not \_\_\_ (check one) the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or any other person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer, or any “affiliate” (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) of any such person (any such person, a “**Controlling Person**”).

(25) The purchaser agrees to provide (and agrees it will cause any subsequent transferee of its Class D Notes to provide) the Indenture Registrar (1) appropriate documentation required under the Code and the applicable Treasury regulations establishing that the beneficial owner of the Class D Notes is either a non-U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-8BEN or an IRS Form W-8IMY with appropriate attachments) or a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-9) and (2) if such beneficial owner is treated as a partnership, S-corporation or grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a written representation from such beneficial owner that (i) there will not be any interests in such beneficial owner where substantially all of the value of such interest is attributable to the value of the Class D Notes proposed to be transferred to such beneficial owner, together with the value of any Class D Notes, Holding Securities and Preference Shares already held by such beneficial owner and (ii) such beneficial owner is not a part of any arrangement a principal purpose of which is to cause the Class D Notes and Preference Shares to be treated as owned by 100 persons or less within the meaning of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h). The purchaser agrees to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form and other certificate in each of the following circumstances: (i) no later than 120 days prior to the expiration (if applicable) of the last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate, (ii) upon any change of

circumstance that would cause that the last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate to be incorrect and (iii) upon a request by the Issuer or the Indenture Registrar. The purchaser agrees that if it fails to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form or other certificate no later than 120 days prior to the expiration of the last previously provided U.S. tax form or, if earlier, within the time specified in any request by the Issuer or the Indenture Registrar (which shall not be less than 30 days), the Issuer will have the unconditional right to cause such purchaser to sell any and all Class D Notes to the Issuer or to a person chosen by the Issuer or the Issuer's agent on such terms as the Issuer may choose. For this purpose, an IRS Form W-8IMY (or any successor form thereto) will be deemed to expire upon the expiration of any withholding statement or U.S. tax forms associated with such IRS Form W-8IMY.

(26) The purchaser understands and agrees that the Issuer will not recognize any transfers of Class D Notes if the proposed transfer will cause the Issuer to have more than ninety-nine beneficial owners (as determined for purposes of the provisions of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h)) of its Class D Notes and Preference Shares unless it receives the consent of all of the Holders of the Preference Shares and an opinion of counsel to the effect that Holders of the Notes will not recognize gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such transfer, and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such transfer had not been made.

(27) The purchaser represents that it has not acquired the Class D Notes pursuant to a trade on an "established securities market" and agrees that it will not trade any Class D Notes on an "established securities market." For this purpose, the term "established securities market" includes any national securities exchange registered under Section 6 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or exempted from registration because of the limited volume of transaction; any foreign securities exchange that, under the laws of the jurisdiction where it is organized, satisfies regulatory requirements that are analogous to the regulatory requirements imposed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; any regional or local exchange; and any interdealer quotation system that regularly disseminates firm buy or sell quotations by identified brokers or dealers, by electronic means or otherwise. The purchaser understands and agrees that in the event that the purchaser acquires or trades the Class D Notes on an established securities market, as described above, the Issuer will not recognize any transfers of Class D Notes made pursuant to such acquisition or trade.

(28) The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Class D Notes are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee and the Initial Purchaser.

### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Preference Shares**

Each initial purchaser of Preference Shares acquiring such Preference Shares from the Issuer in the initial offering will be required to enter into a Subscription Agreement with the Issuer pursuant to which each such initial purchaser will be required to represent and agree (and each subsequent transferee will be required to represent and agree), on its own behalf as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A are used herein as defined therein):

(1) The purchaser is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is aware that the sale of Preference Shares to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements provided by Section 4(2) and is acquiring the Preference Shares for its own account (and not for the account of any family or other trust, any family member or any other person). In addition, the purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Preference Shares, and the purchaser is able to bear the economic risk of its investment.

(2) The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Preference Shares have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Preference Shares, such Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the legend in respect of such Preference Shares set forth in (7) below and the restrictions set forth in the Preference Share Documents. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Issuer, the Servicer or the Placement Agent or any of their respective Affiliates as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Preference Shares.

(3) The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Preference Shares or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Preference Share Documents, to which provisions the purchaser agrees it is subject.

(4) The purchaser is not purchasing the Preference Shares with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares will be highly illiquid and are not suitable for short-term trading. The Preference Shares are a leveraged investment in the Collateral Obligations that may expose the Preference Shares to disproportionately large changes in value. Payments in respect of the Preference Shares are not guaranteed as they are dependent on the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations. The purchaser understands that it is possible that, due to the structure of the transaction and the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations, dividends or other distributions in respect of the Preference Shares may be reduced or eliminated entirely. Furthermore, the Preference Shares constitute equity in the Issuer, are not secured by the Collateral and will rank behind all creditors (secured and unsecured and whether known or unknown) of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the Holders of the Notes, and any Hedge Counterparties. The Issuer has assets limited to the Collateral for payment of all Classes of the Notes and dividends and other distributions on the Preference Shares, and the Preference Shares bear, *pro rata*, the first risk of loss. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Preference Shares involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of all or a substantial part of its investment. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Issuer, the Preference Shares and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Preference Shares, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Issuer and the Placement Agent.

(5) In connection with the purchase of Preference Shares (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Servicer by any Affiliate of or account serviced by the Servicer): (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for the purchaser, (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates other than in the Offering Memorandum for such Preference Shares and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other Person or documentation for the Preference Shares) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected

success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of the Preference Shares or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the documentation for the Preference Shares) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Preference Shares reflect those in relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) the purchaser is purchasing the Preference Shares with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (vii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

(6) (A) The purchaser is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (b) a Qualified Purchaser, (B) the purchaser is acquiring the Preference Shares as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (C) the purchaser was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Preference Shares (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser is a Qualified Purchaser), (D) to the extent the purchaser is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, the purchaser has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (E) the purchaser is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (F) the purchaser is not a pension, profit-sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants or affiliates may designate the particular investment to be made, (G) the purchaser agrees that it shall not hold such Preference Shares for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Preference Shares or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or other distributions on the Preference Shares (except when each such other Person is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (b) a Qualified Purchaser) and (H) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Preference Shares to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(7) The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares (A) will be represented by either one or more Preference Share certificates which will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Issuer determines otherwise in accordance with applicable law, and (B) may only be resold, pledged or transferred to Qualified Institutional Buyers who are also Qualified Purchasers. The purchaser understands that before the Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred, the transferee will be required to provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Issuer with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “**SECURITIES ACT**”), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**”). THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER (“**QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT (IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE PREFERENCE SHARES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A)

WHO IS ALSO A QUALIFIED PURCHASER (“**QUALIFIED PURCHASER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER) AND THAT (1) HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (2) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS AND (3) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE, (B) IN EACH CASE, IN A NUMBER OF NOT LESS THAN 100 PREFERENCE SHARES FOR THE PURCHASER AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY BE PURCHASED BY OR TRANSFERRED TO A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR CONTROLLING PERSON (EACH AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) ONLY UPON THE SATISFACTION OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID *AB INITIO*, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL ANY PREFERENCE SHARES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS OR NON-PERMITTED BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS (AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER AND ANY PAYING AGENT, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE SERVICER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A “UNITED STATES PERSON” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A “UNITED STATES PERSON” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY.

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY NOT BE ACQUIRED OR HELD BY (I) ANY “EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(3) OF THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED (“**ERISA**”), THAT IS SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA, (II) ANY “PLAN” DESCRIBED BY SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE “**CODE**”), THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, OR (III) ANY ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE “PLAN ASSETS” OF ANY PLAN DESCRIBED IN (I) OR (II) BY REASON OF A PLAN’S INVESTMENT IN SUCH ENTITY (EACH OF (I), (II) AND (III), A “**BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR**”), EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.



(8) The purchaser will provide notice to each Person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Preference Shares of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Preference Share Documents, including the exhibits referenced in the Preference Share Documents.

(9) The purchaser understands that the Preference Share Documents permit the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Preference Shares who is determined not to have been (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, at the time of acquisition of the Preference Shares to sell such Preference Shares, or to sell such Preference Shares on behalf of such purchaser, to a Person that is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act.

(10) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Preference Shares. The purchaser further acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Securities in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the offering memorandum relating to the Preference Shares shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Preference Shares in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

(11) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Preference Shares, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase Preference Shares from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof (or, with respect to any Preference Shares held by Investors Corp., to purchase the Holding Preference Shares from any Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder thereof), in each case, at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder or Non-Consenting Holding Preference Shares Holder will be required to sell such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be, to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(12) The purchaser understands that the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

(13) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Preference Shares by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

(14) The beneficial owner will agree to treat, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, (a) the Preference Shares as equity of the Issuer, (b) the Notes as indebtedness of the Issuer and (c) the Issuer as a partnership (except to the extent the Issuer can no longer be treated as a partnership as a result of any election by the Issuer, changes in ownership of the Issuer or changes in the manner in which the equity of the Issuer is traded). The beneficial owner will be deemed to have acknowledged that the Issuer is not authorized to engage in activities that could cause it to constitute a finance or lending business for U.S. federal income tax purposes and agrees that it will report its investment in Preference Shares consistent with such limitation.

(15) The beneficial owner, if not a U.S. Person, either (i) is not a bank (within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code (as defined below in paragraph 23)) or (ii) is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable

to a permanent establishment in the United States. The beneficial owner is not purchasing the Preference Shares in order to reduce its United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan.

(16) To the extent required, as determined by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Preference Shares to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the U.S. Patriot Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Preference Share to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

(17) The purchaser agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

(18) The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

(19) The purchaser understands that, prior to any sale or other transfer of any interest in Preference Shares, it (or the transferee, as applicable) will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent a duly executed transfer certificate substantially in the form provided in the Preference Share Documents and such other certificates and other information as they may reasonably require to confirm that the proposed transfer complies with the restrictions in the legend placed on each certificate representing the Preference Shares and in the Preference Share Documents.

(20) The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer has the right pursuant to Section 6 of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement to issue additional Preference Shares.

(21) The purchaser understands that, to the extent required, as determined by the Co-Issuers, the Co-Issuers may amend the Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer only, the Preference Share Documents without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders of the Securities that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7 if, at any time following the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers elect to rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7).

(22) The purchaser understands that the Issuer may enter into amendments or modifications to the Servicing Agreement without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities.

(23) The purchaser understands and agrees that no purchase or transfer of the Preference Shares to (i) a purchaser or transferee that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor (as defined in Section 3(42) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“**ERISA**”) or a Controlling Person (as defined under the Indenture) will be effective, and the Issuer or the Share Registrar will not recognize or register such purchase or transfer, if such purchase or transfer would result in Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares (determined pursuant to Section 3(42) of ERISA, 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents) or (ii) will be permitted if such purchase or transfer will result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “**Code**”) (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law). The purchaser or

transferee further understands and agrees that any transfer in violation of the applicable provisions of the Preference Share Documents will be null and void *ab initio*. For purposes of the determination described in the first sentence of this paragraph (23), the Preference Shares held by the Trustee, the Servicer, any of their respective affiliates (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) and any other persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding unless such person is also a Benefit Plan Investor. The purchaser's acquisition, holding and disposition of the Preference Shares will not result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any violation of substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law), because such purchase, holding and disposition either (a) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (b) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all conditions of which are and will be been satisfied throughout its holding and disposition of such Preference Shares. The purchaser and any fiduciary or Person causing it to acquire the Preference Shares agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage, or loss incurred by them as a result of a breach of the representations set forth in this paragraph (23) and paragraph (24). If the purchaser is an insurance company investing through its general account as defined in PTCE 95-60, for so long as it holds the Preference Shares, such purchaser represents that the percentage of assets of such insurance company general account that may be treated as "plan assets" under ERISA and the Code will always remain below 25% (as determined pursuant to ERISA and the Code).

(24) (a) The funds that the purchaser is using or will use to purchase the Preference Shares are \_\_\_ / are not \_\_\_ (check one) assets of a person who is or at any time while the Preference Shares are held by the purchaser will be (A) an "employee benefit plan" as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA, that is subject to Title I of ERISA, (B) a "plan" described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code or (C) an entity whose underlying assets include "plan assets" of either of the foregoing by reason of the investment by an employee benefit plan or other plan in the entity within the meaning of the Plan Asset Regulation, as modified by Section 3(42) of ERISA. If the purchaser is a Benefit Plan Investor that is an entity (other than an insurance company general account) whose underlying assets include "plan assets" by reason of an employee benefit plan's or other plan's investment in the entity, for so long as it holds the Preference Shares, such purchaser represents that the percentage of its assets that may be treated as "plan assets" under ERISA and the Code will never exceed \_\_\_% (as determined pursuant to ERISA and the Code).

(b) The purchaser is \_\_\_ / is not \_\_\_ (check one) the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or any other person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer, or any "affiliate" (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) of any such person.

(25) The purchaser agrees to provide (and agrees it will cause any subsequent transferee of its Preference Shares to provide) the Share Registrar (1) appropriate documentation required under the Code and the applicable Treasury regulations establishing that the beneficial owner of the Preference Shares to be transferred is either a non-U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-8BEN or an IRS Form W-8IMY with appropriate attachments) or a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-9) and (2) if such beneficial owner is treated as a partnership, S-corporation or grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a written representation from such beneficial owner that (i) there will not be any interests in such beneficial owner where substantially all of the value of such interest is attributable to the value of the Preference Shares proposed to be transferred to such beneficial owner, together with the value of any Class D Notes, Holding Securities and Preference Shares already held by such beneficial owner and (ii) such beneficial owner is not a

part of any arrangement a principal purpose of which is to cause the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares to be treated as owned by 100 persons or less within the meaning of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h). The purchaser agrees to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form and other certificate in each of the following circumstances: (i) no later than 120 days prior to the expiration (if applicable) of the last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate, (ii) upon any change of circumstance that would cause that the last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate to be incorrect and (iii) upon a request by the Issuer or the Share Registrar. The purchaser agrees that if it fails to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form or other certificate no later than 120 days prior to the expiration of the last previously provided U.S. tax form or, if earlier, within the time specified in any request by the Issuer or the Share Registrar (which shall not be less than 30 days), the Issuer will have the unconditional right to cause such purchaser to sell any and all Preference Shares to the Issuer or to a person chosen by the Issuer or the Issuer's agent on such terms as the Issuer may choose. For this purpose, an IRS Form W-8IMY (or any successor form thereto) will be deemed to expire upon the expiration of any withholding statement or U.S. tax forms associated with such IRS Form W-8IMY.

(26) The purchaser understands and agrees that the Issuer will not recognize any transfers of Preference Shares if the proposed transfer will cause the Issuer to have either (a) exactly one beneficial owner or (b) more than ninety-nine beneficial owners (as determined for purposes of the provisions of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h)) of its Class D Notes and its Preference Shares unless, in the case of clause (b), it receives the consent of all of the Holders of the Preference Shares and an opinion of counsel to the effect that Holders of the Notes will not recognize gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such transfer, and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such transfer had not been made.

(27) The purchaser represents that it has not acquired the Preference Shares pursuant to a trade on an "established securities market" and agrees that it will not trade any Preference Shares on an "established securities market." For this purpose, the term "established securities market" includes any national securities exchange registered under Section 6 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or exempted from registration because of the limited volume of transaction; any foreign securities exchange that, under the laws of the jurisdiction where it is organized, satisfies regulatory requirements that are analogous to the regulatory requirements imposed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; any regional or local exchange; and any interdealer quotation system that regularly disseminates firm buy or sell quotations by identified brokers or dealers, by electronic means or otherwise. The purchaser understands and agrees that in the event that the purchaser acquires or trades the Preference Shares on an established securities market, as described above, the Issuer will not recognize any transfers of Preference Shares made pursuant to such acquisition or trade.

(28) The purchaser is \_\_\_ / is not \_\_\_ (check one) Highland Financial Partners, L.P. or any of its subsidiaries.

(29) The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer, the Servicer, , the Trustee, the Placement Agent and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Preference Shares are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee and the Placement Agent .

## **LISTING AND GENERAL INFORMATION**

1. The Issuer and the Co-Issuer accept responsibility for the information contained in this document. To the best knowledge and belief of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, the information contained in

this document is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

2. Application will be made to list the Senior Notes on the ISE. However, there can be no assurance that any admission will be granted or maintained. Prior to the listing, a legal notice relating to the issue of the Senior Notes and copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer will be deposited with AIB International Financial Services Ltd. and at the principal office of the Issuer, where copies thereof may be obtained, free of charge, upon request.

3. As long as any of the Senior Notes are Outstanding and listed on the ISE, copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer, the Administration Agreement, the Resolutions, the resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer authorizing the issuance of the Senior Notes, the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, any Hedge Agreement and the Monthly Report will be available for inspection at the offices of the Co-Issuers and the Irish Paying Agent in the City of Dublin, where copies thereof may be obtained upon request in printed form.

4. Copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer, the Administration Agreement, the Resolutions, the resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer authorizing the issuance of the Senior Notes, the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, any Hedge Agreement and the Monthly Report prepared by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer containing information relating to the Collateral will be available for inspection so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding at the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee.

6. Each of the Co-Issuers represents that as of the date of this Offering Memorandum, there has been no material adverse change in its financial position since its date of incorporation. Since its date of incorporation, neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has commenced operations, other than the Issuer purchasing certain Collateral Obligations and selling participation interests therein pursuant to a master participation agreement preparatory to the offering of the Securities, and no annual reports or accounts have been prepared as of the date of this Offering Memorandum.

7. The Co-Issuers are not involved in any litigation or arbitration proceedings (including any such proceedings which are pending or threatened of which the Co-Issuers are aware) which may have or have had within the last twelve (12) months a significant effect on the financial position of the Co-Issuers.

8. The issuance of the Securities was authorized and approved by the Board of Directors of the Issuer by the Resolutions. The issuance of the Senior Notes was authorized and approved by the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer by resolutions passed on or before the Closing Date.

9. Since the date of their incorporation, no financial statements of the Co-Issuers have been prepared. The Issuer is not required by Cayman Islands law to publish financial statements, and does not intend to publish any financial statements. The Issuer is required to provide written confirmation to the Trustee, on an annual basis, that no Event of Default or other matter that is required to be brought to the Trustee's attention has occurred.

#### **IDENTIFYING NUMBERS**

The Senior Notes sold in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S and represented by Regulation S Global Notes have been accepted for clearance under the Common Codes in the table below. The table also lists the CUSIP Numbers and the International Securities Identification Numbers (ISIN).

Security	CUSIP	Common Code	ISIN
<b>Class A-1 Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	277345AA2	N/A	US277345AA22
Regulation S Global Notes	G2910EAA5	028797966	USG2910EAA58
<b>Class A-2a Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	277345AC8	N/A	US277345AC87
Regulation S Global Notes	G2910EAB3	028798016	USG2910EAB32
<b>Class A-2b Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	277345AE4	N/A	US277345AE44
Regulation S Global Notes	G2910EAC1	028798083	USG2910EAC15
<b>Class A-3 Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	277345AG9	N/A	US277345AG91
Regulation S Global Notes	G2910EAD9	028798113	USG2910EAD97
<b>Class B Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	277345AJ3	N/A	US277345AJ31
Regulation S Global Notes	G2910EAE7	028798156	USG2910EAE70
<b>Class C Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	277345AL8	N/A	US277345AL86
Regulation S Global Notes	G2910EAF4	028798199	USG2910EAF46
<b>Class D Notes</b>			
Certificated Class D Notes	27734AAA1	N/A	US27734AAA16
<b>Class I Preference Shares</b>			
Certificated Preference Shares	27734A202	N/A	US27734A2024
<b>Class II Preference Shares</b>			
Certificated Preference Shares	27734A400	N/A	US27734A4004

### LEGAL MATTERS

Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Co-Issuers, the Initial Purchaser and the Placement Agent by Latham & Watkins LLP, New York, New York. Certain matters with respect to Cayman Islands corporate law and tax law will be passed upon for the Issuer by Ogier, George Town, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, Cayman Islands. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Servicer by Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, Los Angeles, California.

## GLOSSARY OF DEFINED TERMS

**“Accrued Interest On Sale”** means interest accrued on a Collateral Obligation at the time of sale or other disposition to the extent paid to the Issuer as part of the sale or other disposition price of the Collateral Obligation after deduction of any amount representing Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal”** means (i) interest accrued on or purchased with a Collateral Obligation as part of the price paid by the Issuer to acquire the Collateral Obligation less any amount of Interest Proceeds (applied as Interest Proceeds) applied by the Issuer to acquire the accrued interest at the time of purchase and (ii) interest accrued on a Loan that constitutes part of the price paid by the Issuer to repurchase and terminate participations sold to Pre-Closing Parties to finance the Issuer’s pre-closing acquisition of such Loan.

**“Act”** means any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action to be given or taken by Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares under the Indenture embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments (which may be an electronic document, including, but not limited to, in the form of e-mail, to the extent permitted by applicable law) of substantially similar tenor signed by Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares in person or by agents duly appointed in writing (*provided* that no signature shall be required on electronic documents, including, but not limited to, in the form of e-mail to the extent permitted by law). Except as otherwise expressly provided in the Indenture the action shall become effective when the instruments are delivered to the Trustee (which instrument or instruments may be delivered through the Preference Shares Paying Agent, in the case of the Holders of the Preference Shares) and, if expressly required, to the Issuer. The instruments (and the action embodied in them) are referred to as the **“Act”** of the Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares signing the instruments.

**“Administrative Expense Cap”** means, an amount on any Payment Date equal to the excess of:

(i) the sum of 0.04% of the Maximum Amount on the related Determination Date plus \$200,000; *over*

(ii) the sum of the amounts paid for Administrative Expenses in the twelve months preceding the current Payment Date.

**“Administrative Expenses”** means amounts due or accrued representing:

(i) tax preparation, filing, and registration fees or expenses and any other filing and registration fees owed by the Co-Issuers or Investors Corp. (including all filing, registration and annual return fees payable to the Cayman Islands government and registered office fees);

(ii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Trustee (including all amounts under the Indenture), the Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Collateral Administrator;

(iii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Co-Issuers and Investors Corp. and of accountants, agents and counsel for each of the Co-Issuers and Investors Corp.;

(iv) fees and expenses of the Rating Agencies in connection with any rating of the Collateral as requested by the Issuer or the Servicer or the Notes owed by either Co-Issuer (including fees and expenses for ongoing surveillance, credit estimates and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies);

(v) expenses and indemnities (but not Servicing Fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;

(vi) fees, indemnities and expenses for third-party loan pricing services and accountants; and

(vii) amounts due (other than indemnities) to any other Person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for in the Indenture, including fees or expenses in connection with any Securities Lending Agreement.

**“Affected Class”:** Any Class of Notes that, as a result of the occurrence of a Tax Event, has received or will receive less than the aggregate amount of principal and interest that would otherwise have been payable to such Class on the Distribution Date related to the Due Period with respect to which such Tax Event occurs.

**“Affiliate” or “Affiliated”** means with respect to a Person,

(i) any other Person who, directly or indirectly, is in control of, or controlled by, or is under common control with, the Person; or

(ii) any other Person who is a director, officer or employee (A) of the Person, (B) of any subsidiary or parent company of the Person or (C) of any Person described in clause (i) above.

For the purposes of this definition, control of a Person shall mean the power, direct or indirect:

(A) to vote more than 50% of the securities having ordinary voting power for the election of directors of the Person; or

(B) to direct the corporate management and corporate policies of the Person whether by contract or otherwise (this does not include the Servicing Agreement unless it is amended expressly to provide those services).

For the purpose of this definition, the Administrator and its Affiliates are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Co-Issuers and the Co-Issuers are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Administrator, or any of their Affiliates.

**“Aggregate Outstanding Amount”** means, when used with respect to any of the Notes as of any date, the aggregate principal amount of such Notes on that date. When used with respect to the Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares as of any date, means the number of such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares Outstanding on such date.

Except as otherwise provided herein:

(i) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1 Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-2a Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(iii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-2b Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(iv) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-3 Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;



(v) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes at any time shall include all Class B Deferred Interest attributed thereto;

(vi) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes at any time shall include all Class C Deferred Interest attributed thereto; and

(vii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes at any time shall include all Class D Deferred Interest attributed thereto.

**“Aggregate Principal Balance”** means, when used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Principal Balances of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Principal Balance means the sum of the Principal Balances of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**“Aggregate Purchase Price Amount”** means, when used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Purchase Price Amount means the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**“Allocable Principal Balance”** means, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, the portion of the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security that is allocable to each Reference Obligation comprising such index or indices based upon allocating the Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security among such Reference Obligations in the same proportion as each Reference Obligation bears to the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security.

**“Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price”** means, the purchase price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Transaction Securities purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the date of purchase payable to the Non-Consenting Holder (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), plus any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment, plus in the case of any Notes held or, with respect to any Notes representing Global Notes, beneficially owned, by a CDS/TRS Purchaser, the applicable CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount, if any, and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares and the Holding Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, the Closing Date (and any amounts payable, if any, to the Non-Consenting Holder or the Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder, as applicable, on the next succeeding Payment Date) would cause such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); *provided, however*, that in any Amendment Buy-Out from and after the date on which the Non-Consenting Holders of Preference Shares or the Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price for such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, shall be zero.

**“Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser”** means the Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Transaction Securities from Holders pursuant to “Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out,” “Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser” shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Investors Corp. Placement Agent or any of their respective Affiliates

acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; *provided, however*, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Investors Corp. Placement Agent or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

**“Applicable Discount Rate”** means, for purposes of determining the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount with respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser in connection with an Amendment Buy-Out, USD-LIBOR-BBA, as defined in the Annex to the 2000 ISDA Definitions as determined by the applicable CDS/TRS Purchaser on the Business Day preceding the date of purchase of the applicable Notes from such CDS/TRS Purchaser in connection with such Amendment Buy-Out.

**“Applicable Note Interest Rate”** means, with respect to the Notes of any Class, the Note Interest Rate with respect to such Class.

**“Applicable Percentage”** means the lesser of the Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation and the S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation and the current S&P Rating of the Class A-1 Notes.

**“Approved Pricing Service”** means Loan Pricing Corporation, Mark-It-Partners, Inc. or any other nationally recognized loan pricing service approved in writing by S&P.

**“Approved Replacement”** means an individual who shall (x) be proposed by Highland Capital to replace James Dondero, Mark Okada or Todd Travers (or a prior Approved Replacement therefor) within 30 days after James Dondero, Mark Okada or Todd Travers (or a prior Approved Replacement therefor) fails to be a partner, director, officer or management-level employee of Highland Capital or, following any objection pursuant to the following clause (y) to the first proposed replacement, within 30 days after such objection and (y) not have been objected to by either (A) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or (B) a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by Highland Capital or any of its Affiliates), within 30 days after written notice of such Approved Replacement has been given by the Servicer to the Controlling Class of Notes and the Holders of Preference Shares.

**“Ask-Side Market Value”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any lent Collateral Obligation based upon the Servicer’s commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations which are also Independent from the Servicer or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices could not be obtained, the higher of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations which are also Independent from the Servicer or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices could not be obtained, the average of the ask-side prices for the purchase of such Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer); *provided* that if the Ask-Side Market Value of any lent Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the outstanding principal balance thereof.

**“Assigned Moody’s Rating”** means the monitored publicly available rating or the monitored estimated rating expressly assigned to a debt obligation (or facility) by Moody’s that addresses the full amount of the principal and interest promised.

**“Authorized Officer”** means, with respect to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp., any Officer or agent who is authorized to act for the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp., as applicable, in matters relating to, and binding on, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp. With respect to the Servicer, any managing member, Officer, manager, employee, partner or agent of the Servicer who is authorized to act for the Servicer in matters relating to, and binding on, the Servicer with respect to the subject matter of the request, certificate or order in question. With respect to the Trustee or any other bank or trust company acting as trustee of an express trust or as custodian, a Trust Officer. Each party may

receive and accept a certification of the authority of any other party as conclusive evidence of the authority of any Person to act, and the certification may be considered as in full force and effect until receipt by the other party of written notice to the contrary.

**“Average Life”** means, as of any Measurement Date with respect to any Collateral Obligation (other than any Defaulted Collateral Obligation), the quotient obtained by dividing:

- (i) the sum of the products of:
  - (A) the number of years (rounded to the nearest hundredth) from the Measurement Date to the respective dates of each successive scheduled payment of principal of the Collateral Obligation; and
  - (B) the respective amounts of the successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation; by
- (ii) the sum of all successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Bank”** means Investors Bank & Trust Company in its individual capacity and not as Trustee.

**“Bankruptcy Code”** means the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, Title 11 of the United States Code.

**“Bankruptcy Law”** means the Bankruptcy Code, Part V of the Companies Law (2004 Revision) of the Cayman Islands and the Bankruptcy Law (1997 Revision) of the Cayman Islands.

**“Board of Directors”** means with respect to the Issuer, the directors of the Issuer duly appointed by a resolution of the holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares or by resolution of the Board of Directors and, with respect to the Co-Issuer, the directors of the Co-Issuer duly appointed by the stockholders of the Co-Issuer; *provided, however*, that notwithstanding the foregoing, if the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding is greater than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may remove all (but not less than all) of the directors of the Issuer and appoint other directors (who may be employees, officers or designees of the Servicer) and thereafter (so long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding is greater than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding) the power to appoint directors of the Issuer shall be exercised by a vote of the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares instead of by resolution of the holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares.

**“Business Day”** means a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in New York City, and any other city in which the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee is located and, in the case of the final payment of principal of any Note, the place of presentation of the Note designated by the Trustee; *provided, however* that, for purposes of determining LIBOR, “Business Day” must also be a day on which dealings in deposits in Dollars are transacted in the London interbank market. To the extent action is required of the Irish Listing Agent and Irish Paying Agent, Dublin, Ireland shall be considered in determining “Business Day” for purposes of determining when actions by the Irish Paying Agent are required.

**“Caa1 Collateral Obligations”** means the Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have a Moody’s Rating below “B3”.

**“Cash”** means such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for payment of all public and private debts.

**“CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations”** means the Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have (i) a Moody’s Rating below “B3” and/or (ii) an S&P Rating below “B-”.

**“CCC+/Caa1 Excess Market Value Percentage”** means the percentage equivalent of a fraction, the numerator of which is the aggregate Market Value of CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations (in order of ascending Market Value Percentage, starting with the CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation with the lowest Market Value Percentage) with an aggregate Principal Balance equal to Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations and the denominator of which is an amount equal to the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations.

**“CDS/TRS Purchaser”** means a Holder of the Notes or, in the case of Notes represented by Global Notes, any beneficial owner thereof that has entered into either a credit default swap or a total return swap with respect to such Notes and has provided the Issuer and the Trustee with a written certification regarding its entry into such swap in a form reasonably acceptable to the Issuer (or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer).

**“CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount”** means, with respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser in connection with an Amendment Buy-Out, as the case may be, (i) on any Payment Date prior to the August 2011 Payment Date, an amount equal to the present value of the Fixed Amounts with respect to such CDS/TRS Purchaser and each Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period until the last Fixed Rate Calculation Period, discounting each Fixed Amount from the Payment Date following the end of each such Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period to the date of purchase of the applicable Notes at the Applicable Discount Rate, and (ii) on any Payment Date on and after the August 2011 Payment Date, zero; *provided* that, in the case of clause (i), the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount shall be calculated by the Servicer and subject to the approval of such CDS/TRS Purchaser.

**“Class”** means all of the Notes having the same priority and the same Stated Maturity and all of the Preference Shares.

**“Class A Coverage Tests”** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2a Notes, Class A-2b Notes and Class A-3 Notes.

**“Class B Coverage Tests”** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class B Notes.

**“Class B Deferred Interest”** means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes.

**“Class C Coverage Tests”** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class C Notes.

**“Class C Deferred Interest”** means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C Notes.

**“Class D Coverage Tests”** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class D Notes.

**“Class D Deferred Interest”** means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class D Notes.

**“Class Scenario Loss Rate”** means, with respect to any Class of Notes rated by S&P, an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, consistent with S&P’s rating of the Class of Notes on the Closing Date, determined by application of the S&P CDO Monitor.

**“Clearstream”** means Clearstream Banking, société anonyme, a corporation organized under the laws of the Duchy of Luxembourg.

**“Collateral Administration Agreement”** means the agreement dated as of the Closing Date among the Issuer, the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**“Collateral Administrator”** means the Bank in its capacity as collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement.

**“Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares”** means, with respect to any Payment Date, a Holder that has consented by delivering an irrevocable written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent to a distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds on such Payment Date, as described in “Description of the Securities—Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.”

**“Controlling Class”** means the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes and the Class A-2b Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2a Notes or Class A-2b Notes are Outstanding; then the Class A-3 Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class A-3 Notes are Outstanding; then the Class B Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class B are Outstanding; the Class C Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class C Notes are Outstanding; and then the Class D Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class D Notes are Outstanding.

**“Corporate Trust Office”** means the corporate trust office of the Trustee at which the Trustee performs its duties under the Indenture, currently having an address of 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code: EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116 telecopy no. (617) 351-4358, Attention: CDO Services Group, or any other address the Trustee designates from time to time by notice to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Issuer and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Trustee.

**“Credit Improved Obligation”** is any Collateral Obligation that (a) is sold pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange or (b) in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has improved in credit quality; *provided* that, in forming such judgment, a reduction in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment; and *provided, further*, that, if a Credit Rating Event is in effect, such Collateral Obligation will be considered a Credit Improved Obligation only if in addition to the above:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been upgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing positive credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under the Indenture;

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced a reduction in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Servicer (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody’s);

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has increased by at least 1.00% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Servicer (*provided* that this subclause (iii)(x) will be deemed satisfied if Market Value increases to 101%), or (y) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more positive than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, plus 3.00%, over the same period; or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Improved Obligation if:

- (i) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Improved Obligation; or
- (ii) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Improved Obligation.

**“Credit Rating Event”** means an event that is in effect if the rating by Moody's:

- (i) of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes or the Class A-2b Notes has been withdrawn or is one or more rating sub-categories below its Initial Rating; or
- (ii) of the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes has been withdrawn or is two or more rating sub-categories below its respective Initial Rating.

For the purposes of this definition, any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not be effective if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody's has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes and the Class A-2b Notes, or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**“Credit Risk Obligation”** means any Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has significantly declined in credit quality and has a significant risk, with a lapse of time, of becoming a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; *provided* that in forming such judgment an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment.

So long as a Credit Rating Event is in effect, no Collateral Obligation shall be eligible to be a Credit Risk Obligation unless in addition to the above, as of the date of determination:

- (i) the Collateral Obligation has been downgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing negative credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under the Indenture;
- (ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced an increase in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Servicer (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's);
- (iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has decreased by at least 2.50% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of

acquisition, as determined by the Servicer, and (y) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more negative, or less positive, as the case may be, than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, less 3.00%, over the same period; or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation set forth in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) above, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Risk Obligation if:

- (a) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Risk Obligation; or
- (b) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Risk Obligation.

**“Current-Pay Obligation”** means a Collateral Obligation as to which:

(i) an insolvency event has occurred with respect to its obligor or as to which its obligor is rated “D” or “SD” by S&P or its obligor has previously been rated “CCC-” by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;

(ii) no default as to the payment of principal or interest with respect to the Collateral Obligation is then continuing and the Servicer has delivered to the Trustee an officer's certificate to the effect that the Servicer expects that the obligor will make payments on the Collateral Obligation as they become due;

(iii) (A) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is at least “Caa1” (and not on credit watch with negative implications) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 80% of its Principal Balance or (B) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is less than “Caa1” or is “Caa1” and on credit watch with negative implications, the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 85% of its Principal Balance;

(iv) if an insolvency event has occurred with respect to the obligor of the Collateral Obligation, a bankruptcy court has authorized the payment of interest payable on the Collateral Obligation; and

(v) the Servicer has designated in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligation as a Current-Pay Obligation.

If the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations exceeds 5% of the Maximum Amount, all or a portion of one or more Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance equal to the amount of the excess shall not be Current-Pay Obligations (and will therefore be Defaulted Collateral Obligations). The Servicer shall designate in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligations that shall not be Current-Pay Obligations pursuant to the preceding sentence as the Collateral Obligations (or portions thereof) that have the lowest Market Value on any applicable date of determination.

The Servicer may, with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, by notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator, change the definition of “Current-Pay Obligation” or how Current-Pay Obligations are treated in the Indenture, subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency.

“**Current Portfolio**” means, at any time, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations, Principal Proceeds held as cash on deposit in the Collection Account, and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account that exists before the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or before the acquisition of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

“**Deep Discount Obligation**” means, until the average Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation, as determined daily for any period of 30 consecutive days, equals or exceeds 90%, any Collateral Obligation acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 85% of its Principal Balance. For such purpose, the Market Value Percentage of a Collateral Obligation on a day that is not a Business Day shall be deemed to be the Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation on the immediately preceding Business Day.

“**Defaulted Collateral Obligation**” means any Collateral Obligation or other obligation included in the Collateral:

(i) as to which a default in the payment of principal or interest is continuing beyond the lesser of three Business Days and any applicable grace or notice period, unless in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;

(ii) the maturity of all or a portion of the principal amount of such Collateral Obligation has been accelerated as a consequence of a default (other than any payment default) under the instruments evidencing or relating to such Collateral Obligation; unless such default or event of default has been fully cured or waived and is no longer continuing and such acceleration has been rescinded;

(iii) with respect to which there has been effected any distressed exchange or other debt restructuring where the obligor has offered the holders thereof a new security or instrument or package of securities or instruments that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, either (x) amounts to a diminished financial obligation or (y) has the sole purpose of enabling the obligor to avoid a default;

(iv) (1) that is *pari passu* with or subordinated to other indebtedness for borrowed money owing by its obligor (“**Other Indebtedness**”), (2) the obligor has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (without regard to any applicable grace or notice period and without regard to any waiver of the default) on the Other Indebtedness, unless, in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid on the Other Indebtedness and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation and (3) the Servicer, *provided* that the related Collateral Obligation has not been downgraded after the default on such Other Indebtedness has occurred, determines (in its commercially reasonable judgment) that such Other Indebtedness is material;

(v) (other than a Current-Pay Obligation or a DIP Loan) as to which:

(A) an insolvency event has occurred with respect to its obligor; or

(B) the obligation is rated “D”, “SD”, “C” or “CC” by S&P or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn, or has previously been rated “CCC-” or lower by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;



(vi) if the Collateral Obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation, it is rated “CC” or below by S&P, or it was rated “CC” or below by S&P but the rating has since been withdrawn, or it is rated “Ca” or below by Moody’s, or it was rated “C” or below by Moody’s but the rating has since been withdrawn;

(vii) that is a Participation that would, if the underlying Loan were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (v) above or with respect to which the Participating Institution has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Participation;

(viii) that is a Synthetic Security referencing a Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above or with respect to which the Synthetic Security Counterparty has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Synthetic Security; *provided, however*, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time: (x) a determination whether the Reference Obligations upon which such Synthetic Security is based would, if such Reference Obligations were Collateral Obligations, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each of the Reference Obligations on which such Synthetic Security is based in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation and (y) the “Defaulted Collateral Obligation” for purposes of this clause (viii) shall be limited to the Allocable Principal Balance of each Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above;

(ix) that is a Written-Down Obligation;

(x) that is a DIP Loan as to which an order has been entered converting the debtor’s chapter 11 case to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code; or

(xi) that is declared to be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation by the Servicer.

Any Collateral Obligation that is classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall cease to be so classified if the Collateral Obligation, at any date thereafter,

(1) would not otherwise be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this definition; and

(2) otherwise meets the Eligibility Criteria as of that date.

If any portion of a Collateral Obligation has a maturity later than one year after the Stated Maturity of the Notes due to a change in the payment schedule of the Collateral Obligation occurring after its acquisition by the Issuer, that portion of the Collateral Obligation shall be considered a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**“Defaulted Hedge Termination Payment”** means any termination payment required to be made by the Issuer to a Hedge Counterparty pursuant to a Hedge Agreement upon a termination of the Hedge Agreement in respect of which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**“Defaulted Interest”** means any interest payable in respect of any Class of Notes that is not punctually paid or duly provided for on the applicable Payment Date or at Stated Maturity.

**“Defaulted Interest Charge”** means to the extent lawful, interest on any Defaulted Interest at the Default Interest Rate.

**“Default Interest Rate”** means, with respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate equal to the Note Interest Rate payable on the Notes of the Class.

**“Deferred Interest Notes”** means the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**“Definitive Security”** means any Note or Certificated Preference Share that is registered in the name of the beneficial owner.

**“Delayed Drawdown Loan”** means a Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that:

- (i) requires the Issuer to make one or more future advances to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments;
- (ii) specifies a maximum amount that can be borrowed on one or more fixed borrowing dates; and
- (iii) does not permit the re-borrowing of any amount previously repaid.

A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Delayed Drawdown Loan for so long as its unused commitment amount is greater than zero and for purposes of the Concentration Limits only unfunded portions will count as Delayed Drawdown Loans.

**“Depository”** or **“DTC”** means The Depository Trust Company and its nominees.

**“DIP Loan”** means any Loan:

- (i) that has a rating assigned by Moody’s (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by Moody’s, the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by Moody’s within five Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer) and a rating assigned by S&P (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by S&P, the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P within two Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer);

- (ii) that is an obligation of a debtor in possession as described in Section 1107 of the Bankruptcy Code or a trustee (if appointment of a trustee has been ordered pursuant to Section 1104 of the Bankruptcy Code) (a **“Debtor”**) organized under the laws of the United States or any state of the United States; and

- (iii) the terms of which have been approved by a final order of the United States Bankruptcy Court, United States District Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, the enforceability of which order is not subject to any pending contested matter or proceeding (as those terms are defined in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure) and which order provides that:

- (A) the Loan is secured by liens on the Debtor’s otherwise unencumbered assets pursuant to Section 364(c)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code;

- (B) the Loan is secured by liens of equal or senior priority on property of the Debtor’s estate that is otherwise subject to a lien pursuant to Section 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code;

(C) the Loan is fully secured (based on a current valuation or appraisal report) by junior liens on the Debtor's encumbered assets; or

(D) if any portion of the Loan is unsecured, the repayment of the Loan retains priority over all other administrative expenses pursuant to Section 364(c)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code (and in the case of this clause (D), before the acquisition of the Loan, the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency).

**"Diversity Score"** is a single number that indicates collateral concentration in terms of both issuer and industry concentration, calculated as set forth in Schedule 4 to the Indenture.

**"Domicile"** or **"Domiciled"** means, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, (i) the jurisdiction of incorporation, organization or creation of the related obligor or (ii) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that would otherwise be considered to be domiciled pursuant to clause (i) in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction, the jurisdiction in which, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the related obligor conducts substantially all of its business operations and in which the assets primarily responsible for generating its revenues are located.

**"Due Period"** means, with respect to any Payment Date, for all purposes other than payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements, the period from the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date, from the Closing Date) up to but excluding the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the Payment Date (or in the case of the final Payment Date or any Payment Date that is a Redemption Date, through the Business Day before the Payment Date and for payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements the period from the day after the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date from the Closing Date) through the Payment Date).

**"Eligible Country"** means the United States, Canada and any country classified by Moody's as a Moody's Group I Country, Moody's Group II Country or Moody's Group III Country and, in each case, has an S&P foreign currency rating of at least "AA" and a Moody's foreign currency rating of at least "Aa2".

**"Eligible Equity Security"** mean an equity security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation by, or on behalf of, the Issuer that (i) is publicly traded on an Established Securities Market or (ii) the Market Value of which is higher than the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation with respect to which such equity security has been acquired by the Issuer.

**"Eligible Investments"** means any Dollar-denominated obligation or asset that, when it is pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee under the Indenture, is one or more of the following:

(i) Cash;

(ii) direct Registered obligations of, and Registered obligations the timely payment of principal and interest on which is fully and expressly guaranteed by, the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States the obligations of which are expressly backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, which in each case are not zero coupon securities;

(iii) demand and time deposits in, trust accounts, certificates of deposit payable within 91 days of issuance of, bankers' acceptances payable within 91 days of issuance issued by, or Federal funds sold by any depository institution or trust company incorporated under the laws of the United States or any state thereof and subject to supervision and examination by Federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or the debt obligations of such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company), at the time of such acquisition or contractual commitment providing for such acquisition and throughout the term thereof, have a credit rating of not less than "Aaa" by

Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade, or "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P in the case of commercial paper and short-term debt obligations; *provided* that in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than "AA-" by S&P and "Aa3" by Moody's and a short-term rating of "A-1+" by S&P and "P-1" by Moody's, and if so rated, is not on watch for downgrade;

(iv) commercial paper or other short-term obligations with a maturity of not more than 183 days from the date of issuance and having at the time of such acquisition a credit rating of at least "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P; *provided* that, in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's and "AA-" by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(v) unleveraged repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clause (b) above entered into with a U.S. federal or state depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (iii) above or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose long-term credit rating is not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade or whose short-term credit rating is "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof; *provided* that, if such repurchase obligation has a maturity of longer than 91 days, the counterparty thereto must also have at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(vi) any money market fund or similar vehicle having at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof a credit rating of "MR1+" by Moody's and "AAAm" by S&P; including any fund for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee serves as an investment adviser, administrator, shareholder servicing agent, custodian or subcustodian, notwithstanding that (A) the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses from such funds for services rendered (*provided* that such charges, fees and expenses are on terms consistent with terms negotiated at arm's length) and (B) the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses for services rendered, pursuant to the Indenture;

(vii) a guaranteed reinvestment agreement from a bank (if treated as a deposit by such bank), insurance company or other corporation or entity organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (if treated as debt by such insurance company or other corporation or entity), providing for periodic payments thereunder during each Due Period; *provided* that each such agreement provides that it is terminable by the purchaser, without premium or penalty, in the event that the rating assigned to such agreement by either Moody's or S&P is at any time lower than the then current ratings assigned to the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes; *provided, further*, that, at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof, the issuer of such agreement has a senior unsecured long-term debt rating, issuer rating or counterparty rating of at least "Aaa" by Moody's, a short-term debt rating of "P-1" by Moody's (and not on watch for downgrade), a short-term debt rating of at least "A-1+" by S&P and a long-term debt rating of at least "AAA" by S&P (and not on watch for downgrade); and

(viii) such other obligations or assets for which Rating Confirmation has been received;

and, in each case, with a stated maturity (giving effect to any applicable grace period) no later than the Business Day before the Payment Date next succeeding the date of acquisition.

Eligible Investments on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account must have a stated maturity no later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase.

Eligible Investments may not include:

- (1) any interest-only security, any security purchased at a price in excess of 100% of its par value, any mortgage-backed security or any security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer;
- (2) any security whose rating assigned by S&P includes the subscript “r”, “t”, “p”, “pi” or “q”;
- (3) any floating rate security whose interest rate is inversely or otherwise not proportionately related to an interest rate index or is calculated as other than the sum of an interest rate index plus a spread (which spread may be zero);
- (4) any security that is subject to an exchange or tender offer; or
- (5) any security that has payments subject to foreign or United States withholding tax.

Eligible Investments may include Eligible Investments for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee is the issuer or depository institution or provides services. Eligible Investments may not include obligations principally secured by real property.

**“Emerging Market Security”** means a security or obligation issued by a sovereign or non-sovereign issuer located in a country (excluding the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Netherlands Antilles, and the Channel Islands):

- (i) that is in Latin America, Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, or the Caribbean; or
- (ii) the long-term foreign currency debt obligations of which are rated below “Aa2” or “Aa2” and on credit watch with negative implications by Moody’s or the foreign currency issuer credit rating of which is below “AA” by S&P.

**“Euroclear”** means Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear system.

**“Excel Default Model Input File”** means an electronic spreadsheet file in Microsoft excel format to be provided to S&P, which file shall include the balance of Cash and Eligible Investments in each account and the following information (to the extent such information is not confidential) with respect to each Collateral Obligation:

- (a) the name and country of domicile of the issuer thereof and the particular obligation or security held by the Issuer,
- (b) the CUSIP or other applicable identification number associated with such Collateral Obligation,
- (c) the par value of such Collateral Obligation,
- (d) the type of obligation or security (including, by way of example, whether such Collateral Obligation is a bond, loan or asset-backed security), using such abbreviations as may be selected by the Trustee,
- (e) a description of the index or other applicable benchmark upon which the interest payable on such Collateral Obligation is based (including, by way of example, fixed rate, step-up rate, zero coupon and LIBOR),

- (f) the coupon (in the case of a Collateral Obligation which bears interest at a fixed rate) or the spread over the applicable index (in the case of a Collateral Obligation which bears interest at a floating rate),
- (g) the S&P Industry Classification for such Collateral Obligation,
- (h) the stated maturity date of such Collateral Obligation,
- (i) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation or the issuer thereof, as applicable,
- (j) the applicable S&P Priority Category, and
- (k) such other information as the Trustee may determine to include in such file.

**“Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations”** means the Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations in excess of 7.5% of the Maximum Amount on the relevant Determination Date.

**“Excluded Property”** means (i) U.S.\$1,000 (attributable to the issue and allotment of the Issuer Ordinary Shares) and a U.S.\$1,000 transaction fee paid to the Issuer, the bank account in which those amounts are credited in the Cayman Islands and any interest earned on those amounts; (ii) any amounts credited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account from time to time and (iii) any Margin Stock.

**“Extension”** means an extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test in accordance with the Indenture.

**“Extension Bonus Payment”** means, with respect to each Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable beneficial owner set forth in “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date” in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Class A-1 Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class A-2a Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (3) in the case of the Class A-2b Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (4) in the case of the Class A-3 Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (5) in the case of the Class B Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (6) in the case of the Class C Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date and (7) in the case of the Class D Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

**“Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification”** means, with respect to each Maturity Extension and each beneficial owner of Notes other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such beneficial owner acceptable to the Issuer to the effect that it held Notes other than Extension Sale Securities on the applicable Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof in the case of the Notes and wire transfer instructions for the Extension Bonus Payment and any required documentation thereunder.

**“Extension Determination Date”** means the 8<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to each Extension Effective Date.

**“Extension Purchase Price”** means the purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with each Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the applicable Extension Effective Date (giving effect to

any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares and the Holding Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be, since the Closing Date would cause such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a “Payment Date” under the Indenture); *provided, however*, that if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, shall be zero.

“**Extension Qualifying Purchasers**” means the Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Extension Sale Securities from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date;” “Extension Qualifying Purchasers” shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Investors Corp. Placement Agent or any of their respective Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; *provided however*, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Investors Corp. Placement Agent or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

“**Face Amount**” means, with respect to any Preference Share or Holding Preference Share, the amount set forth therein as the “face amount” thereof, which “face amount” shall be \$1,000 per Preference Share or Holding Preference Share.

“**Finance Lease**” means a lease agreement or other agreement entered into in connection with and evidencing a Leasing Finance Transaction.

“**Fixed Amount**” means, with respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser and each applicable Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period, the product of (i) the applicable Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Amount with respect to such CDS/TRS Purchaser, (ii) the applicable Fixed Rate with respect to such CDS/TRS Purchaser and (iii) a fraction the numerator of which is the actual number of days in such Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period and the denominator of which is 360.

“**Fixed Rate**” means, with respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser, the spread over LIBOR of the Class of Notes held by such CDS/TRS Purchaser with respect to which such CDS/TRS Purchaser has entered into a credit default swap or a total return swap, as the case may be.

“**Fixed Rate Excess**” means, as of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose numerator is the product of:

- (i) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date over the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test; and
- (ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date;

and whose denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Fixed Rate Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Spread Excess were equal to zero.

**“Fixed Rate Obligations”** means any Collateral Obligation that bears interest at a fixed rate.

**“Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Amount”** means, with respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser for purposes of calculating the applicable CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes held by such CDS/TRS Purchaser as of the date of purchase of such Notes in an Amendment Buy-Out (in each case, after giving effect to any principal amounts paid to such CDS/TRS Purchaser on such date).

**“Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period”** means, with respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser for purposes of calculating the applicable CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount, initially, the period from and including the date of purchase of such Notes in an Amendment Buy-Out to but excluding the immediately succeeding Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date; *provided* that the last Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period shall end on the August 2011 Payment Date.

**“Floating Rate Notes”** means the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**“Floating Rate Obligation”** means any Collateral Obligation that bears interest based on a floating rate index.

**“Form-Approved Synthetic Security”** means a Synthetic Security:

- (i) (A) each of the Reference Obligations of which satisfy the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and could be purchased by the Issuer without any required action by the Rating Agencies, without satisfaction of the Rating Condition or which the Rating Agencies have otherwise approved; or
- (B) each of the Reference Obligations of which would satisfy clause (A) above but for the currency in which the Reference Obligation is payable and the Synthetic Security is payable in Dollars, does not provide for physical settlement, and does not expose the Issuer to Dollar currency risk;
- (ii) the Synthetic Security Agreement of which conforms (but for the amount and timing of periodic payments, the name of the Reference Obligation, the notional amount, the effective date, the termination date, and other similar necessary changes) to a form that has been expressly identified and approved in writing in connection with a request under the Indenture by Moody’s and S&P;
- (iii) a copy of the Synthetic Security Agreement of which has been delivered to the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes and the Class A-2b Notes by the Trustee at the expense of the Co-Issuers and upon being furnished with a copy of the same by the Servicer; and
- (iv) that is with a counterparty with respect to which the Rating Condition has been satisfied by each of Moody’s and S&P prior to the acquisition of any such Form-Approved Synthetic Security, and such approval has not been withdrawn.

Moody’s or S&P may at any time, by notice to the Servicer, withdraw its approval of any such form. A withdrawal of approval shall have no effect on any Synthetic Security acquired, entered into, or committed to before the date on which the Servicer receives the notice of withdrawal.

**“Funded Amount”** means, with respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan at any time, the aggregate principal amount of advances or other extensions of credit made thereunder by the Issuer that are outstanding and have not been repaid at such time.



**“Hedge Agreements”** means, collectively, all interest rate cap or interest rate swap agreements between the Issuer and any Hedge Counterparty, and any replacement agreement entered into pursuant to the Indenture.

**“Hedge Counterparty”** means any counterparty, to the extent that when the Issuer enters into any Hedge Agreement with such counterparty, such counterparty satisfies the requirements of the Indenture, including the satisfaction of the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency.

**“Hedge Termination Receipt”** means any termination payment paid by the Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer upon any early termination of a Hedge Agreement with respect to which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**“High-Yield Bond”** means any debt security, other than a Loan or a Structured Finance Obligation, that is either Registered or, if not Registered, (i) it is issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States, (ii) the payments on it are not subject to United States withholding tax and (iii) it is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**“Holder”** means, of any Note, the person whose name appears on the Indenture Register as the registered holder of the Note; of any Preference Share, the person whose name appears in the Preference Share register related thereto as the registered holder of such Preference Share and of any Holding Security, the person whose name appears in the Holding Preference Share register related thereto as the registered holder of such Holding Security.

**“Holding Preference Shares”** means the preference shares issued by Investors Corp. pursuant to the Holding Preference Share Documents. For the avoidance of doubt, (A) all references in this Offering Memorandum to the “Holding Preference Shares” include the “Holding Preference Share Component” of the Class P Securities and (B) all references in this Offering Memorandum to the rights of the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares (including with respect to any payments, distributions, redemptions, votes or consents to be given by such Holders) include the rights of the Holders of the Class P Securities to the extent of the Holding Preference Share Component of the Class P Securities.

**“Holding Preference Share Documents”** means Investors Corp.’s memorandum and articles of association, the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the resolutions of Investors Corp.’s board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Holding Securities passed on or before the Closing Date.

**“Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return”** means, with respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the “XIRR” function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for each distribution made to the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date, assuming all Holding Preference Shares are purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount.

**“Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement”** means the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, by and between Investors Corp. and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

**“Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent”** means Investors Bank & Trust Company, in its capacity as holding preference shares paying agent under the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the holding preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter “Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent” shall mean such successor Person.

**“Holding Securities”** means, collectively, the Holding Preference Shares and the Class P Securities.

**“Indenture Registrar”** means the Bank in its capacity as Indenture registrar as provided in the Indenture.

**“Indenture Register”** means the register caused to be kept by the Issuer for the purpose of registering Notes and transfers of the Notes as provided in the Indenture.

**“Initial Consent Period”** means the period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee mailed notice of a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of Securities.

**“Initial Rating”** means, the ratings by Moody’s and S&P with respect to each Class of Notes provided in the table in “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.”

**“Interest Period”** means, initially, the period from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the first Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date.

**“Interest Proceeds”** means, with respect to any Due Period, the sum (without duplication) of all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period (or as otherwise specified below) by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are:

(i) payments of interest, fees, and commissions (excluding (A) Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal, (B) interest and dividends on Workout Assets, (C) fees and commissions from Defaulted Collateral Obligations, and (D) syndication and other up-front fees and any up-front fixed payments received in connection with entering into a Synthetic Security);

(ii) any portion of the Sale Proceeds of a Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) representing Accrued Interest On Sale;

(iii) all payments of principal on, or disposition proceeds from the sale of, Eligible Investments to the extent purchased with Interest Proceeds;

(iv) payments with respect to the Hedge Agreements received on or before the related Payment Date (other than any amount payable thereunder because of any early termination or notional amount reduction), but not any Sale Proceeds from any of these instruments (except to the extent that they were purchased with Interest Proceeds);

(v) all fees received pursuant to any Securities Lending Agreements;

(vi) amounts in the Collection Account designated for distribution as Interest Proceeds pursuant to the Priority of Payments (including any amount transferred from the Interest Reserve Account);

(vii) all earnings on amounts in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account and the Revolving Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account in accordance with the Indenture;

(viii) amounts in the Expense Reimbursement Account on the Payment Date for the relevant Due Period;

(ix) any recoveries (including interest) received on a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in excess of the principal balance of such Defaulted Collateral Obligation (as of the date the related Collateral Obligation became a Defaulted Collateral Obligation).

Interest Proceeds shall not include the Excluded Property and Interest Proceeds shall not include earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

Each reference in the definition of “Interest Proceeds” to a Collateral Obligation shall include a Collateral Obligation that has been loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and Interest Proceeds shall include any amounts referred to in clauses (i) through (iii) above received by the Issuer in respect of the Collateral Obligation indirectly from the related Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement.

With respect to any Payment Date, Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Interest Proceeds due and payable on such Payment Date to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date that are distributed to such Holders by way of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of Cash pursuant to “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds.

**“Investors Corp. Placement Agent”** means Citigroup Global Markets Inc.

**“Issuer Charter”** means the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Issuer, as amended and restated before the Closing Date or in accordance with the Indenture.

**“Issuer Order”** and **“Issuer Request”** means a written order or request dated and signed in the name of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp. by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp., as applicable, or by the Servicer by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

**“Junior Class”** means, with respect to a particular Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that is subordinated to that Class.

**“Leasing Finance Transaction”** means any transaction pursuant to which the obligations of the lessee to pay rent or other amounts on a triple net basis under any lease of (or other arrangement conveying the right to use) real or personal property, or a combination thereof, are required to be classified and accounted for as a capital lease on a balance sheet of such lessee under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America; but only if (a) such lease or other transaction provides for the unconditional obligation of the lessee to pay a stated amount of principal no later than a stated maturity date, together with interest thereon, and the payment of such obligation is not subject to any material non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer, (b) the obligations of the lessee in respect of such lease or other transaction are fully secured, directly or indirectly, by the property that is the subject of such lease and (c) the interest held by the Issuer in respect of such lease or other transaction is treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

**“Loan”** means any interest in a fully committed, senior secured, unsecured, or revolving loan (including loans involving credit linked deposits) that is acquired by assignment or by Participation (including any DIP Loan) that is either:

- (i) Registered; or
- (ii) issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States;
  - (A) whose payments are not subject to United States withholding tax; and
  - (B) that is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**“Long-Dated Collateral Obligation”** means any Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturity of the Notes other than a Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later

than the Stated Maturities of the Notes that includes a “put” option to its obligor at a price of at least par payable on or before the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

“**Majority**” means, with respect to any Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

“**Margin Stock**” means “Margin Stock” as defined under Regulation U issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, including any debt security that is by its terms convertible into Margin Stock, but does not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation received pursuant to an offer by an issuer of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

“**Market Value**” means, as of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) based upon the Servicer’s commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the lower of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the bid-side prices for the purchase of the Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer).

If a Market Value of any Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined in accordance with the procedures set out in the previous paragraph for a period of 30 consecutive days then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero; *provided*, that during such 30 day period, such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to (a) the higher of (i) the S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate for such Collateral Obligation and the then current S&P Rating of the Class A-1 Notes and (ii) 70%, of the Principal Balance of such Collateral Obligation or (b) if the Servicer has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation is lower than the amount determined pursuant to clause (a), such amount determined by the Servicer in its commercially reasonable judgment; *provided, further*, that the maximum amount of Collateral Obligations having a Market Value assigned pursuant to the immediately preceding proviso shall be limited to 5.0% of the Maximum Amount (and any amount in excess of 5.0% of the Maximum Amount shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero). For the avoidance of doubt, the procedures set out in this paragraph should not apply to determinations of Market Value of any Eligible Equity Securities.

The Servicer is under no obligation to determine the Market Value of the Collateral Obligations other than as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or the Indenture or to comply with any of its duties as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or in the Indenture.

“**Market Value Determination Date**” means, with respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities, one Business Day prior to the date of the notice distributed by the Issuer to the Holders of the Preference Shares in connection with such distribution.

“**Market Value Percentage**” means, for any Collateral Obligation, the ratio obtained by dividing:

- (i) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation; by
- (ii) the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Maximum Amount”** means an amount equal to:

- (i) on any Measurement Date during the Ramp-Up Period, U.S.\$1,500,000,000; and
- (ii) on any Measurement Date after the Ramp-Up Completion Date:
  - (A) the aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations plus the aggregate outstanding principal amount of any Defaulted Collateral Obligations; *plus*
  - (B) cash representing Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
  - (C) Eligible Investments (other than cash) purchased by the Issuer with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account.

**“Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the sum of (i) the number set forth in the column entitled “Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolation between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable) *plus* (ii) the Recovery Rate Modifier.

**“Measurement Date”** means any date:

- (i) on which the Issuer commits to acquire or dispose of any Collateral Obligation;
  - (ii) on which a Collateral Obligation becomes a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
  - (iii) that is a Determination Date;
  - (iv) that is the Ramp-Up Completion Date;
  - (v) that is the date as of which the information in a Monthly Report is calculated pursuant to the Indenture; and,
- with respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities only,
- (vi) that is the Market Value Determination Date.

**“Minimum Diversity Score”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a score equal to the number set forth in the column entitled “Minimum Diversity Score” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**“Minimum Weighted Average Spread”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the spread equal to the percentage set forth in the row entitled “Minimum Weighted Average Spread” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**“Monthly Report”** means a monthly report compiled and provided by the Issuer.

**“Moody’s Default Probability Rating”** means with respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (i) with respect to a Moody’s Senior Secured Loan:

- (A) if the Loan's obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, such corporate family rating; and
- (B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Obligation Rating of such Loan;
- (C) if the preceding clauses do not apply, the rating that is one subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating;
- (ii) with respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating of such Collateral Obligation;
- (iii) with respect to a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the rating that is one rating subcategory below the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof;
- (iv) with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof (or, if the obligation does not have an Assigned Moody's Rating but has a rating by S&P, then the Moody's Default Probability Rating shall be:
  - (x) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher, or
  - (y) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; and
- (v) with respect to a Synthetic Security, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down (if on watch for downgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories or adjusted up (if on watch for upgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture, if a Moody's Default Probability Rating is withdrawn by Moody's with respect to a Collateral Obligation, the Issuer will continue using the latest Moody's Default Probability Rating available immediately prior to such withdrawal until a bankruptcy event occurs with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating"** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation that is a Loan or bond and the obligor thereof, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (i) if the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating;
- (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's "Issuer Rating" for the obligor;
- (iii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating; then
  - (A) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "B3" (and, if rated "B3", not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one rating subcategory higher than such Assigned Moody's Rating; or
  - (B) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "B3" (or rated "B3" and on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be such Assigned Moody's Rating;

(iv) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating; then:

(A) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "Caa3" (and, if rated "Caa3", not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one subcategory below such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(B) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "Caa3" (or rated "Caa3" and on watch for downgrade), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be "C";

(v) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but such obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be one rating subcategory below such corporate family rating;

(vi) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(D) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; or

(E) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's of (a) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating no lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (vi)(C), or clauses (vii)(C) or (viii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(vii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(B) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (iii) above; or

(C) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (a) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (vii)(C), or

clauses (vi)(C) or (viii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(viii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(B) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (iv) above; or

(C) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (a) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within two Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (viii)(C), or clause (vi)(C) or (vii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(ix) if the preceding clauses do not apply and each of the following clauses (A) through (H) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa1":

(A) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings;

(B) no debt securities or obligations of the obligor are in default;

(C) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates has defaulted on any debt during the preceding two years;

(D) the obligor has been in existence for the preceding five years;

(E) the obligor is current on any cumulative dividends;

(F) the fixed-charge ratio for the obligor exceeds 125% for each of the preceding two fiscal years and for the most recent quarter;

(G) the obligor had a net profit before tax in the past fiscal year and the most recent quarter; and

(H) the annual financial statements of such obligor are unqualified and certified by a firm of Independent accountants of international reputation, and quarterly statements are unaudited but signed by a corporate officer;

(x) if the preceding clauses do not apply but each of the following clauses (A) and (B) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa3":

(A) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings; and



(B) no debt security or obligation of such obligor has been in default during the past two years; and

(xi) if the preceding clauses do not apply and a debt security or obligation of the obligor has been in default during the past two years, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Ca".

Notwithstanding the foregoing, not more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may consist of Relevant Obligations given a Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating based on a rating given by S&P as provided in clauses (vi), (vii) and (viii) above.

**"Moody's Group I Country"** means any of the following countries: Australia, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group I Country.

**"Moody's Group II Country"** means any of the following countries: Germany, Ireland, Sweden, Switzerland and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group II Country.

**"Moody's Group III Country"** means any of the following countries: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, Spain and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group III Country.

**"Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the number obtained by (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate, (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations and (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

**"Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan"** means any Loan that is not a Moody's Senior Secured Loan.

**"Moody's Obligation Rating"** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

(i) With respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:

(A) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the rating that is one rating subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and

(ii) With respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond:

(A) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and

(iii) With respect to a Synthetic Security or a DIP Loan, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

“**Moody’s Priority Category**” means each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of “Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix” as a “Moody’s Priority Category.”

“**Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate**” means for any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of “Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix” opposite the Moody’s Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

“**Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix**” means the table below:

<b>Moody’s Priority Category</b>	<b>Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Synthetic Securities.....	In the case of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the “Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate” given by Moody’s to the Form-Approved Synthetic Security at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security by Moody’s; and</li> <li>(ii) any other Synthetic Security, the “Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate” given by Moody’s to the Synthetic Security at the time of acquisition of the Synthetic Security.</li> </ul>
Structured Finance Obligations.....	The Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the Moody’s Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 5</u> to the Indenture by reference to the type of asset and its then Moody’s Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that schedule does not apply, on a case-by-case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
unsecured DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligations not covered above or below ..	As determined by Moody’s on a case-by-case basis.

For High-Yield Bonds, Moody’s Senior Secured Loans and Moody’s Non Senior Secured Loans, the relevant Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate is the rate determined pursuant to the table below based on the number of rating subcategories difference between the High-Yield Bond’s or Loan’s Moody’s Obligation Rating and its Moody’s Default Probability Rating (for purposes of clarification, if the Moody’s Obligation Rating is higher than the Moody’s Default Probability Rating, the rating subcategories difference will be positive and if it is lower, negative):

<b>Number of Moody’s Rating Subcategories Difference Between the Moody’s Obligation Rating and the Moody’s Default Probability Rating</b>	<b>Moody’s Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>Moody’s Non Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>High-Yield Bonds</b>
+2 or more	60.0%	45.0%	40.0%
+1	50.0%	42.5%	35.0%
0	45.0%	40.0%	30.0%
-1	40.0%	30.0%	15.0%
-2	30.0%	15.0%	10.0%
-3 or less	20.0%	10.0%	2.0%

If no Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate has been specifically assigned with respect to a Loan pursuant to the above table, and the Loan is a secured DIP Loan, the relevant Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate is 50.0%.

**“Moody’s Rating”** means the Moody’s Default Probability Rating; *provided* that, with respect to the Collateral Obligations generally, if at any time Moody’s or any successor to it ceases to provide rating services, references to rating categories of Moody’s in the Indenture shall be deemed instead to be references to the equivalent categories of any other nationally recognized investment rating agency selected by the Servicer, as of the most recent date on which such other rating agency and Moody’s published ratings for the type of security in respect of which such alternative rating agency is used.

**“Moody’s Rating Factor”** means the number in the table below opposite the rating of the Collateral Obligation (excluding Synthetic Securities where an Assigned Moody’s Rating is not available).

<b>Moody’s Rating</b>	<b>Moody’s Rating Factor</b>	<b>Moody’s Rating</b>	<b>Moody’s Rating Factor</b>
Aaa	1	Ba1	940
Aa1	10	Ba2	1350
Aa2	20	Ba3	1766
Aa3	40	B1	2220
A1	70	B2	2720
A2	120	B3	3490
A3	180	Caa1	4770
Baa1	260	Caa2	6500
Baa2	360	Caa3	8070
Baa3	610	Ca or lower	10000

The Moody’s Rating Factor for Collateral Obligations that are Synthetic Securities shall be determined by Moody’s and obtained by the Issuer or the Servicer on a case-by-case basis, unless there is an Assigned Moody’s Rating available for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, in which case such Assigned Moody’s Rating shall be used to compute the Moody’s Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security.

The Moody’s Rating Factor for any Collateral Obligation that is a Structured Finance Security shall be equal to:  $\frac{A \times 55\%}{1 - B}$ ,

where: “A” means the number determined with respect to such Collateral Obligation pursuant to the table above; and

“B” means the Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

**“Moody’s Senior Secured Loan”** means:

(i) a Loan that:

(A) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan;

(B) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan; and

(C) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal seniority secured by a first lien or security interest in the same collateral; or

(ii) a Loan that:

(A) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan, other than, with respect to a Loan described in clause (i) above, with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such loan;

(B) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan;

(C) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by a first or second lien or security interest in the same collateral; and

(D) has been assigned a Moody's Obligation Rating equal to or higher than the applicable Moody's Default Probability Rating; and

(iii) the Loan is not: (A) a DIP Loan, (B) a Loan for which the security interest or lien (or the validity or effectiveness thereof) in substantially all of its collateral attaches, becomes effective, or otherwise "springs" into existence after the origination thereof, or (C) a type of loan that Moody's has identified as having unusual terms and with respect to which its Moody's Recovery Rate has been or is to be determined on a case-by-case basis.

**"Non-Consenting Holder"** means with respect to any supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, any Holder or, in the case of Securities represented by Global Notes, any beneficial owner, that either (i) has delivered to the Trustee a written notice that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) had not consented to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

**"Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder"** means with respect to any supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, any Holder of Holding Preference Shares that either (i) has directed Investors Corp. not to consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) has not provided Investors Corp. with any direction with respect to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

**"Non-Performing Collateral Obligation"** means any Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any PIK Security as to which its issuer or obligor has previously deferred or capitalized any interest due on it and all the interest so deferred or capitalized has not subsequently been paid in full in cash by:

(i) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above, the earlier of its second payment date or one year following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it; or

(ii) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "Baa3", or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "BBB-", the earlier of its first payment date or six months following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it.

**"Notes"** means the Class the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**"Noteholder"** means a Holder of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes.

**"Note Payment Sequence"** means the application of funds in the following order:

- (1) to the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes *pro rata* in proportion to the respective amounts then due on each such Class until the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes have been fully redeemed (*provided* that amounts allocated to the Class A-2 Notes shall be paid, first, to the Class A-2a Notes and, second, to the Class A-2b Notes);
- (2) to the Class A-3 Notes until the Class A-3 Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (3) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest and any Deferred Interest and interest thereon on the Class B Notes;
- (4) to the Class B Notes until the Class B Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (5) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest and any Deferred Interest and interest thereon on the Class C Notes;
- (6) to the Class C Notes until the Class C Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (7) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest and any Deferred Interest and interest thereon on the Class D Notes; and
- (8) to the Class D Notes until the Class D Notes have been fully redeemed.

**"Offer"** means any Collateral Obligation that is subject to a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion or other similar action.

**"Officer"** means, with respect to the Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to the Co-Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to any partnership, any of its general partners; and with respect to the Trustee, any Trust Officer.

**"Outstanding"** means, with respect to:

(i) the Notes or any specified Class, as of any date of determination, all of the Notes or all of the Notes of the specified Class, as the case may be, theretofore authenticated and delivered under the Indenture, except with respect to Notes:

(A) Notes canceled by the Indenture Registrar or delivered to the Indenture Registrar for cancellation;

(B) Notes for whose payment or redemption funds in the necessary amount have been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for their Holders pursuant to the Indenture and if the Notes are to be redeemed, notice of redemption has been duly given pursuant to the Indenture;

(C) Notes in exchange for or in lieu of which other Notes have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to the Indenture; or

(D) Notes alleged to have been destroyed, lost, or stolen for which replacement Notes have been issued as provided in the Indenture, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Notes are held by a protected purchaser;

(ii) the Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Preference Share Documents and listed in the Preference Share register of the Issuer as outstanding;

(iii) the Holding Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Holding Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Holding Preference Share Documents and listed in the Holding Preference Share register of Investors Corp. as outstanding; and

(iv) the Class P Securities, as of any date of determination, all of the Class P Securities theretofore issued under the Holding Preference Share Documents and listed in the Class P Security register of Investors Corp. as outstanding;

*provided* that, in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Transaction Securities have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver under the Transaction Documents, Transaction Securities owned or beneficially owned by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, any Affiliate of either of them and, with respect to any matter affecting its status as Servicer or appointment of a replacement Servicer or relating to an acceleration of any Class of Notes if the effect of the Servicer's action or inaction as a Holder of Transaction Securities would effectively prevent acceleration, the Servicer, its Affiliates and any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (other than, with respect to Notes or Class II Preference Shares, HFP or any of its subsidiaries; *provided* that, with respect to the voting authority of Notes or Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by any of the "independent directors" of HFP or such subsidiaries) shall be disregarded and not be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver, only Securities that a Trust Officer of the Trustee (or with respect to the Preference Shares, Holding Preference Shares and Class P Securities, only Preference Shares, Holding Preference Shares and Class P Securities that an authorized officer of the Preference Shares Paying Agent or Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable) has actual knowledge to be so owned or beneficially owned shall be so disregarded. Transaction Securities so owned or beneficially owned that have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, the pledgee's right so to act with respect to the Transaction Securities and that the pledgee is independent from the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent.

**"Participating Institution"** means an institution that creates a participation interest and that has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" (and if so rated by Moody's such rating is not on watch for possible downgrade) and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A".

**“Participation”** means a Loan acquired as a participation interest created by a Participating Institution.

**“Permitted Offer”** means a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion, or other similar action pursuant to which the offeror offers to acquire a debt obligation (including a Collateral Obligation) in exchange solely for cash in an amount equal to or greater than the full face amount of the debt obligation plus any accrued and unpaid interest and as to which the Servicer has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the offeror has sufficient access to financing to consummate the tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion, or other similar action.

**“PIK Cash-Pay Interest”** means, as to any PIK Security, the portion of interest required to be paid in cash (and not permitted to be added to the balance of such PIK Security or otherwise deferred and accrued) thereon pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments.

**“PIK Security”** means any loan or debt obligation on which any portion of the interest accrued for a specified period of time or until the maturity thereof is, or at the option of the obligor may be, added to the principal balance of such loan or debt obligation or otherwise deferred rather than being paid in cash; *provided* that such loan or debt obligation shall not be a PIK Security if the portion, if any, of such interest required pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments to be paid in Cash would result in the outstanding principal amount of such loan or debt obligation having an effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest at least equal to (i) if such loan or debt obligation is a fixed rate loan or debt obligation, 4% per annum, or (ii) if such loan or debt obligation is a floating rate loan or debt obligation, LIBOR.

**“Placement Agency Agreement”** means a placement agency agreement dated March 13, 2007 between the Issuer and the Placement Agent relating to the placement of the Class II Preference Shares, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**“Pledged Obligations”** means, as of any date of determination, the Collateral Obligations, the Workout Assets, the Eligible Investments, and any other securities or obligations that have been granted to the Trustee that form part of the Collateral.

**“Person”** is an individual, corporation (including a business trust), partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust (including any beneficiary thereof), unincorporated association or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

**“Portfolio Improvement Exchange”** means, the disposition, during the Replacement Period, of a Collateral Obligation and corresponding acquisition of one or more Collateral Obligations which in the aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Test, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied (or bring the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations closer to compliance with any such test or limitation) or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith would be improved and (ii) improving, on a net basis, the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test and Concentration Limitations and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased.

**“Preference Share Internal Rate of Return”** means, with respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the “XIRR” function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for the following cash flows, assuming all Preference Shares are purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount:

- (i) each distribution of Interest Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the

Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date; and

(ii) each distribution of Principal Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date.

**“Preference Shares Paying Agent Agreement”** means a Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of March 13, 2007, between the Issuer and Investors Bank & Trust Company, as Preference Shares Paying Agent.

**“Preference Shares Distribution Account”** means a separate segregated non-interest bearing trust account established by the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deposit all amounts received from the Issuer and payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares under the Priority of Payments.

**“Preference Shares Notional Amount”** means, as of the Closing Date, \$123,500,000, and thereafter as increased each time additional Preference Shares are issued in accordance with the Preference Share Documents.

**“Preference Shares Paying Agent”** means Investors Bank & Trust Company in its capacity as Preference Shares Paying Agent under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter “Preference Shares Paying Agent” shall mean such successor person.

**“Principal Balance”** means, with respect to:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those specifically covered in this definition, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Pledged Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest, zero, except as otherwise expressly specified in the Indenture;
- (iv) any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, except as otherwise provided, zero;
- (v) any Collateral Obligation that has been loaned, its Principal Balance shall be reduced by the excess of the amount of collateral required over the actual Market Value of the collateral;
- (vi) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance shall include any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer’s obligation to fund the unfunded amount), except as otherwise expressly specified in the Indenture;
- (vii) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance shall not include any principal amount of the PIK Security representing previously deferred or capitalized interest; and
- (viii) any obligation or security that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, zero.

**“Principal Proceeds”** means with respect to any Due Period, all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are not Interest Proceeds.



Principal Proceeds shall include any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account into the Collection Account pursuant to the Indenture.

Principal Proceeds do not include the Excluded Property or earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

At any time when an “event of default” under a Securities Lending Agreement has occurred and is continuing, any payments received by the Issuer from the related Securities Lending Collateral shall be Principal Proceeds.

“**Priority Class**” means, with respect to any specified Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that ranks senior to that Class.

“**Proceeding**” means any suit in equity, action at law, or other judicial or administrative proceeding.

“**Proposed Portfolio**” means, as of any Measurement Date, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations and Principal Proceeds held as cash on deposit in the Collection Account and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account resulting from the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or a proposed purchase of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

“**Purchase Agreement**” means a purchase agreement dated March 13, 2007 among the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchaser relating to the purchase of the Notes, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

“**Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance**” means, for any Collateral Obligation other than Deep Discount Obligations, its Principal Balance; and for any Deep Discount Obligation its Purchase Price; *provided, however*, that if any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations exist, the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance for the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations shall be the lower of (i) the weighted average Market Value of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances and (ii) the product of (a) 70% and (b) their respective Principal Balance.

“**Purchase Price**” means, with respect to the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (other than any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation), the net purchase price paid by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation. The net purchase price is determined by subtracting from the purchase price the amount of any Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal and any syndication and other upfront fees paid to the Issuer and by adding the amount of any related transaction costs (including assignment fees) paid by the Issuer to the seller of the Collateral Obligation or its agent.

“**Purchase Price Amount**” means, respect to any Collateral Obligation on any date of determination, the product of (i) the Purchase Price (stated as a percentage) thereof and (ii) the Principal Balance thereof on such date.

“**Qualified Equity Security**” means any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that is stock or evidence of an interest in or a right to buy stock, or any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation but whose acquisition otherwise is a transaction in stocks or securities within the meaning of Section 864(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Code and the regulations under the Code. Qualified Equity Securities do not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation and that will cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in or having income from a United States trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes by virtue of its ownership or disposition of the obligation (without regard to the Issuer’s other activities).

“**Ramp-Up Period**” means the period from and including the Closing Date to and including the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

“**Rating Agency**” means, each of Moody’s and S&P or, with respect to Pledged Obligations generally, if at any time Moody’s or S&P ceases to provide rating services with respect to high yield debt securities, any other nationally recognized statistical rating organization selected by the Issuer and reasonably satisfactory to a Majority of each Class of Notes. If at any time Moody’s ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of Moody’s in the Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and Moody’s published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used. If at any time S&P ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of S&P in the Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and S&P published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used.

“**Rating Condition**” means, with respect to any Rating Agency and any action taken or to be taken under the Indenture, a condition that is satisfied when the Rating Agency has confirmed to the Servicer (as agent for the Issuer) in writing that no withdrawal, reduction, suspension, or other adverse action with respect to any then current rating by it (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes will occur as a result of the action. The Rating Condition with respect to any Rating Agency shall be satisfied for all purposes of the Indenture at any time when no Outstanding Notes are rated by it.

“**Rating Confirmation**” means confirmation in writing from each Rating Agency that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes.

“**Ratings Matrix**” means the “row/column combination” of the table below selected by the Servicer on the Closing Date to apply initially for purposes of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test. Thereafter, on notice to the Trustee, the Servicer may select a different row of the Ratings Matrix to apply, or may interpolate between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable, on a straight-line basis and round the results to two decimal points.

Minimum Weighted Average Spread	Minimum Diversity Score							
	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90
2.20%	2180	2225	2270	2315	2355	2390	2425	2450
2.30%	2225	2270	2315	2360	2405	2440	2475	2495
2.40%	2270	2315	2360	2405	2450	2485	2520	2545
2.50%	2315	2360	2405	2450	2495	2530	2565	2590
2.60%	2370	2415	2460	2505	2550	2585	2620	2645
2.70%	2425	2470	2515	2560	2605	2640	2675	2700
2.80%	2480	2525	2570	2615	2660	2695	2730	2755
2.90%	2535	2580	2625	2670	2715	2750	2785	2810
3.00%	2590	2635	2680	2725	2770	2805	2840	2865
Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor								

“**Recovery Rate Modifier**” means, as of any Measurement Date, the lesser of 60 and the product of:

(i) (a) the Moody’s Minimum Average Recovery Rate *minus* the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test (but not less than zero) *multiplied* by (b) 100; and

(ii) 40.

**“Redemption Date”** means any Payment Date specified for an Optional Redemption or the redemption of a Class of Notes in connection with a Refinancing under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

**“Redemption Price”** means, with respect to any Note and any Optional Redemption or Refinancing, an amount equal to:

- (i) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of the Note being redeemed; *plus*
- (ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest); *plus*
- (iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note; *plus*
- (iv) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

With respect to any Preference Share and any Optional Redemption, “Redemption Price” means (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares of the remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications pursuant to the Priority of Payments or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case as specified in “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares.”

**“Reference Obligation”** means an obligation that would otherwise satisfy the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and on which a Synthetic Security is based; *provided* that no Reference Obligation shall be a Synthetic Security.

**“Refinancing Price”** means, with respect to any Class of Notes that is subject to a Refinancing, an amount equal to the Redemption Price therefor.

**“Refinancing Proceeds”** means, the proceeds from any refinancing permitted under the Indenture.

**“Registered”** means, with respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment, means that it is issued after July 18, 1984 and is in registered form within the meaning of Section 881(c)(2)(B)(i) of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.

**“Regulation D”** means Regulation D under the Securities Act.

**“Relevant Obligation”** means, for a Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security, and otherwise the Collateral Obligation.

**“Removal Buy-Out Purchaser”** means the Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent).

**“Repository”** means the internet-based password protected electronic repository of transaction documents relating to privately offered and sold collateralized debt obligation securities located at “www.cdolibrary.com” operated by The Bond Market Association. Information on this website is not considered part of this Offering Memorandum in any way.

**“Required Redemption Percentage”** means, with respect to (a) any Optional Redemption resulting from a Tax Event, the Holders of at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of any Affected Class or at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares and (b) any other Optional Redemption, a Majority of the Preference Shares.

**“Retention Overcollateralization Ratio”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the ratio obtained by dividing: (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator by (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes, excluding any Deferred Interest on any Class of Notes.

**“Revolving Loan”** means a Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation (in each case excluding any Delayed Drawdown Loan) that requires the Issuer to make future advances to (or for the account of) the borrower under its underlying instruments (including any letter of credit for which the Issuer is required to reimburse the issuing bank for under it). A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Revolving Loan for so long as its commitment amount is greater than zero.

**“S&P CDO Monitor”** means a dynamic, analytical computer model developed by S&P (and as may be modified by S&P from time to time) and provided to the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator to be used to calculate the default frequency in terms of the amount of debt assumed to default as a percentage of the original principal amount of the Collateral Obligations consistent with a specified benchmark rating level based on certain assumptions and S&P’s proprietary corporate default studies. For the purpose (and only for the purpose) of applying the S&P CDO Monitor to a portfolio of obligations, for each obligation in the portfolio, the rating of the obligation shall be its S&P Rating.

**“S&P Industry Classification”** means the S&P Industry Classifications in Schedule 3 of the Indenture as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by S&P.

**“S&P Priority Category”** means each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of “S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix” as an “S&P Priority Category.”

**“S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate”** means, for any Collateral Obligation and a Class of Notes, the percentage specified in the definition of “S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix” opposite the S&P Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation under the S&P Rating that is the then current S&P Rating on such Class of Notes.

“S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix” means the table below:

S&P Priority Category	S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate						
	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC
Senior Secured Loans .....	56%	60%	64%	67%	70%	70%	70%
Senior Unsecured Loans* ...	40%	42%	44%	46%	48%	48%	48%
Subordinated Lien Loans other than a DIP Loan* .....	22%	22%	22%	22%	22%	22%	22%
Senior Secured High- Yield Bonds .....	48%	49%	50%	51%	52%	52%	52%
Senior Unsecured High- Yield Bonds .....	38%	41%	42%	44%	45%	45%	45%
Subordinated High-Yield Bonds .....	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%
Structured Finance Obligations.....	The S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the definition of “the S&P Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rate” set forth by reference to the type of asset and its then current S&P Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that table does not apply, on a case by case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).						
Synthetic Securities.....	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation.						

DIP Loans and any

Collateral Obligation not

covered above ..... As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis.

\* In the case of Second Lien Loans, the first 15% in the portfolio should be treated as Senior Unsecured Loans and the excess over 15% as Subordinated Lien Loans.

“S&P Rating” means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following methodology:

(i) If there is an issuer credit rating of the borrower of the Collateral Obligation (the “**Borrower**”), or the guarantor who unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the Collateral Obligation (the “**Guarantor**”) by S&P, the most current issuer credit rating for such Borrower or Guarantor (*provided* that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating);

(ii) (a) if there is not an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation will be one subcategory below such rating; (b) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior unsecured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be such rating; and (c) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a subordinated obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be two subcategories above such rating if such rating is “BBB-” or higher and will be one subcategory above such rating if such rating is “BB+” or lower (*provided* that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating); or

(iii) if there is neither an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P nor a rating by S&P on an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating may be determined using any one of the methods below:

(A) if an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is publicly rated by Moody's, then the S&P Rating will be determined in accordance with the methodologies for establishing the Moody's Default Probability Rating, except that the S&P Rating of such obligation will be (1) one subcategory below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Baa3" or higher by Moody's and (2) two subcategories below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Bal" or lower by Moody's; *provided* that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may be given a S&P Rating based on a rating given by Moody's as provided in this subclause (A) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

(B) if no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's, then the Servicer may apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating estimate, which will be its S&P Rating; *provided* that, on or prior to each one-year anniversary of the acquisition of any such Collateral Obligation, the Issuer shall submit to S&P a request for a S&P credit rating estimate for such Collateral Obligation, which shall be its S&P Rating, together with all information reasonably required by S&P to perform such estimate; or

(C) if such Collateral Obligation is not rated by Moody's or S&P, no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's and if the Servicer determines in its sole discretion based on information available to it after reasonable inquiry that such Borrower (x) is not subject to any bankruptcy or reorganization proceedings nor in default on any of its obligations (unless the subject of a good faith business dispute), (y) is a legally constituted corporate entity having the minimum legal, financial and operational infrastructure to carry on a definable business, deliver and sell a product or service and report its results in generally accepted accounting terms as verified by a reputable audit firm and (z) is not so vulnerable to adverse business, financial and economic conditions that default in its financial or other obligations is foreseeable in the near term if current operating trends continue, then the S&P Rating will be "B-"; *provided* that the Servicer must apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating on such Borrower within 30 days after the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation; *provided, further*, that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 5% of the Maximum Amount may be given an S&P Rating based on this subclause (c) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

*provided* that, if (i) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any positive "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be increased by one rating subcategory or (ii) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any negative "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be decreased by one rating subcategory.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the S&P Rating shall be (A) the rating assigned thereto by S&P if the rating is public, (B) the rating assigned by S&P if the rating is confidential, but only if all appropriate parties have provided written consent to its disclosure and use, (C) the rating assigned by S&P thereto through an estimated rating or (D) the rating assigned thereto by S&P in connection with the acquisition thereof upon the request of the Servicer. In the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a PIK Security, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Securities, the S&P Rating may not be determined pursuant to clause (iii)(A) above.

S&P Ratings for entities or obligations relevant hereunder other than Borrowers and Collateral Obligations shall be determined in a corresponding manner.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if and for so long as the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations consisting in the aggregate of (x) Participations and (y) Synthetic Securities exceeds 20% of the Maximum Amount, then the S&P Rating for the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations representing that excess (determined assuming the excess is comprised of the Collateral

Obligations having the lowest S&P Ratings that would otherwise be applicable as determined above) shall be the S&P Rating one sub-category below the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be applicable as determined above. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture, if a S&P Rating is withdrawn by S&P with respect to a Collateral Obligation, the Issuer will continue using the latest S&P Rating available immediately prior to such withdrawal until a bankruptcy event occurs with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

**“S&P Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rate ”** means, for a Structured Finance Obligation and a Class of Notes, the percentage specified in the table below under the then current S&P Rating of such Class of Notes and across from the then current S&P Rating of such Structured Finance Obligation.

**Rating of a Class of Notes at the time of commitment to purchase**

**Structured Finance  
Obligation Rating\***

Senior Asset Class	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC
AAA	80.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
AA	70.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
A	60.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
BBB	50.0%	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%
Junior Asset Class	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC
AAA	65.0%	70.0%	80.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%
AA	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
A	40.0%	45.0%	55.0%	65.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
BBB	30.0%	35.0%	40.0%	45.0%	50.0%	60.0%	70.0%
BB	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	25.0%	35.0%	40.0%	50.0%
B	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%	10.0%	10.0%	20.0%	25.0%
CCC	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%

\* If the Structured Finance Obligation is (x) a collateralized debt obligation backed by project finance securities, asset-backed securities, structured finance or real estate securities, distressed debt or other collateralized debt obligations; (y) a market value collateralized debt obligation; or (z) a synthetic collateralized debt obligation, the recovery rate will be assigned by S&P at the time of acquisition.

**“S&P Rating Confirmation”** means confirmation in writing from S&P that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes.

**“S&P Unrated DIP Loan”** means a DIP Loan acquired by the Issuer that does not have a rating assigned by S&P and for which the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P (as specified in the definition of “DIP Loan”).

**“Sale Proceeds”** means all proceeds received (including any proceeds received with respect to any associated interest rate swap or security providing fixed annuity payments ) with respect to Collateral Obligations or other Pledged Obligations as a result of their sales or other dispositions less any reasonable expenses expended by the Servicer or the Trustee in connection with the sales or other dispositions, which shall be paid from such proceeds notwithstanding their characterization otherwise as Administrative Expenses.

**“Second Lien Loan”** means a Loan that (i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinated in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan other than a Senior Secured Loan with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such Loan and (ii) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest in or lien on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan, which specified collateral does not consist solely of common stock or shares issued by the obligor or any of its Affiliates or intangible assets.

**“Secondary Risk Counterparty”** means any obligor Domiciled other than in the United States, any Participating Institution, any Synthetic Security Counterparty and any Securities Lending Counterparty.

**“Secondary Risk Table”** means the table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty		Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
Moody’s	S&P		
Aaa	AAA	20.0%	20.0%
Aa1	AA+	10.0%	10.0%
Aa2	AA	10.0%	10.0%
Aa3	AA-	10.0%	10.0%
A1	A+	5.0%	10.0%
A2 or below	A or below	0.0%	0.0%

If any Secondary Risk Counterparty’s long-term senior unsecured debt rating or short-term rating is on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody’s or S&P, then for the purposes of the table above, its rating by the Rating Agency putting its rating on credit watch shall be one rating notch lower for that Rating Agency.

**“Secured High-Yield Bond”** means a High-Yield Bond that is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**“Secured Loan”** means a Loan that is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**“Secured Parties”** means the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer and each Hedge Counterparty (and the Collateral Administrator, Preference Shares Paying Agent and Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent to the extent of Administrative Expenses payable to such parties as provided in the Indenture).

**“Securities Lending Collateral”** means Cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the relevant Securities Lending Agreement and that are pledged by a Securities Lending Counterparty as collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement.

**“Selected Collateral Quality Tests”** means Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Life Test (after taking into consideration any applicable Maturity Extension), the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the Diversity Test.

**“Senior Secured High-Yield Bond”** means a Secured High-Yield Bond that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a first priority security interest in collateral that in the opinion of the Servicer has value at least equal to the amount of the High-Yield Bond.

**“Senior Secured Loan”** means a Secured Loan that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar



obligations, with a first priority security interest in collateral that in the opinion of the Servicer has value at least equal to the amount of the Loan and that is not a DIP Loan.

**“Senior Unsecured High-Yield Bond”** means a High-Yield Bond that is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**“Senior Unsecured Loan”** means a Loan that is not a Senior Secured Loan and is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**“Servicing Agreement”** means the Servicing Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Servicer, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**“Spread Excess”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose (i) numerator is the product of (A) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date over the Minimum Weighted Average Spread specified in the applicable row of the Ratings Matrix and (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date and (ii) denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date. In computing the Spread Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Fixed Rate Excess were equal to zero.

**“Structured Finance Obligation”** means any obligation (other than the Notes or any other security or obligation issued by the Issuer):

(i) secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool of receivables or other assets of U.S. obligors, or obligors organized or incorporated in Moody’s Group I Countries, Moody’s Group II Countries, Moody’s Group III Countries or Tax Advantaged Jurisdictions, including portfolio credit default swaps and collateralized debt obligations, but excludes:

- (A) residential mortgage-backed securities;
- (B) collateralized debt obligations backed by Emerging Market Securities;
- (C) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by asset-backed securities;
- (D) market value collateralized debt obligations;
- (E) securities backed by “future flow” receivables;
- (F) securities backed by “trust preferred securities;”
- (G) net interest margin securitizations;
- (H) collateralized debt obligations backed primarily by other collateralized debt obligations;
- (I) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by one or more credit default swaps (i.e. “synthetic CDOs”); and
- (J) collateralized debt obligations a significant portion of which are backed by bonds;

- (ii) that has an S&P Rating;
- (iii) that has a rating and a Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate assigned by Moody's; and
- (iv) whose ownership or disposition (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) by the Issuer will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

In connection with the purchase of a Structured Finance Obligation, the Servicer shall obtain from Moody's the applicable Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate.

For purposes of the Diversity Test, multiple Structured Finance Obligations from CDOs serviced by the same Servicer or multiple Structured Finance Obligations issued by the same master trust will be considered to be obligations of one issuer.

**"Subordinated High-Yield Bond"** means a Secured High-Yield Bond secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**"Subordinated Lien Loan"** means a Secured Loan (other than a Second Lien Loan) secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**"Subscription Agreement"** means a subscription agreement dated between a purchaser and the Issuer entered into on or before the Closing Date for the subscription of a specified number of Class D Notes or Preference Shares, as applicable.

**"Super Majority"** means, with respect to any Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be; *provided* that with respect to the Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2a Notes and Class A-2b Notes voting together as the Controlling Class, "Super Majority" means at least 60% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Controlling Class for so long as Financial Security Assurance Inc. is entitled to direct the vote of at least 60% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Controlling Class.

**"Synthetic Security"** means any swap transaction, structured bond, credit linked note, or other derivative financial instrument providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a debt instrument (but excluding any such instrument relating directly to a basket or portfolio of debt instruments) or an index or indices (such as the "SAMI" index published by Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC) in connection with a basket or portfolio of debt instruments or other similar instruments entered into by the Issuer with a Synthetic Security Counterparty that has in the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment, equivalent expected loss characteristics (those characteristics, "**credit risk**") to those of the related Reference Obligations (taking account of those considerations as they relate to the Synthetic Security Counterparty), if (i) it is either a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied, and (ii) the Reference Obligations thereof have a Market Value equal to at least 85% of the Principal Balance of the Reference Obligation at the time the Synthetic Security is entered into.

The maturity, interest rate, and other non-credit characteristics of a Synthetic Security may be different from the Reference Obligations to which the credit risk of the Synthetic Security relates.

No Synthetic Security shall require the Issuer to make any payment to the Synthetic Security Counterparty after its initial purchase other than any payments represented by the release of any cash collateral posted by the Issuer from the Collection Account to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of the posted cash collateral. Collateral may be posted only to a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account. No Synthetic Security shall result in the Issuer being a "buyer" of credit protection.

The term Synthetic Security shall not include any Structured Finance Obligation or any Participation, but the Reference Obligation of a Synthetic Security may be a Structured Finance Obligation.

Each Synthetic Security Agreement shall contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those contained in the Indenture.

The ownership or disposition of any Synthetic Security (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) must not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

Unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" under any proposed Synthetic Security must not provide that its transfer to the Issuer is subject to obtaining any consents and must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation and satisfy the Concentration Limitations under the Indenture, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event" and if the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security is a Senior Secured Loan then the "deliverable obligation" under the Synthetic Security must also be a Senior Secured Loan.

No Synthetic Security may provide for any event other than bankruptcy or a failure to pay as a "credit event."

No Synthetic Security may provide for termination by the Synthetic Security Counterparty at any time (i) after a declaration of acceleration of Maturity of the Notes has been made upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, unless such declaration and its consequences may no longer be rescinded and annulled in accordance with the Indenture and liquidation of the Collateral has begun or (ii) upon an Optional Redemption, unless the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date has passed and no notice of withdrawal has been issued.

For purposes of the Coverage Tests and the Retention Overcollateralization Test, unless the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied in respect of any proposed alternative treatment, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in the Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in the Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligation.

With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, for purposes of: (i) calculating compliance with the Diversity Test, the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test, and

the Concentration Limitations (other than limits relating to payment characteristics and except for clauses 17 and 17(a) of the definition of “Concentration Limitations”), and all related definitions, and (ii) any other provision or definition of the Indenture involving a determination with respect to a Reference Obligation, the characteristics of such Reference Obligations shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each such Reference Obligation in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation. In addition, each Reference Obligation under such Synthetic Security shall be assigned a Moody’s Rating Factor equal to the sum of the Moody’s Rating Factor of (i) the related Reference Obligor, (ii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty of such Synthetic Security and (iii) the Synthetic Security Collateral of such Synthetic Security. In addition, the Moody’s Priority Category Rate in respect of a Synthetic Security referencing multiple Reference Obligations pursuant to this paragraph shall be the Moody’s Priority Category Rate as assigned by Moody’s to each Reference Obligation underlying such Synthetic Security. For the avoidance of doubt, Reference Obligations upon which a Synthetic Security is based as described in this paragraph must meet the definition of “Collateral Obligation” to the extent provided in this definition.

If the Rating Condition must be satisfied to execute the purchase of any Synthetic Security, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall give each applicable Rating Agency not less than five days’ prior notice of the purchase of or entry into any Synthetic Security.

**“Synthetic Security Agreement”** means the documentation governing any Synthetic Security.

**“Synthetic Security Collateral”** means, respect to any Synthetic Security, amounts posted to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account by the Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its obligations under the Synthetic Security, including (i) all Eligible Investments or (ii) floating rate credit card securitizations that are rated “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P, in each case that mature no later than the Stated Maturity, in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account that are purchased with Synthetic Security Collateral.

**“Synthetic Security Counterparty”** means any entity required to make payments on a Synthetic Security to the extent that a reference obligor makes payments on a related Reference Obligation.

**“Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction”** means one of the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the Netherlands Antilles or the tax advantaged jurisdiction of the Channel Islands, or such other jurisdiction that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto; *provided* that any Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction that is the jurisdiction of organization of an obligor of a Collateral Obligation other than obligors that are special purpose vehicles or issuers of Structured Finance Obligations shall have a Moody’s foreign currency rating of at least “Aa2” and a S&P foreign currency rating of at least “AA-”.

**“Tax Event”** means an event that occurs if either:

(i) (A) one or more Collateral Obligations that were not subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them have become subject to withholding tax or the rate of withholding has increased on one or more Collateral Obligations that were subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them and (B) in any Due Period, the aggregate of the payments subject to withholding tax on new withholding tax obligations and the increase in payments subject to withholding tax on increased rate withholding tax obligations, in each case to the extent not “grossed-up” (on an after-tax basis) by the related obligor, represent 5% or more of Interest Proceeds for the Due Period;

(ii) taxes, fees, assessments, or other similar charges are imposed on the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in an aggregate amount in any twelve-month period in excess of U.S.\$2,000,000, other than any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax with respect to any payment owing in respect of any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation or Collateral Obligation; or

(iii) if the Issuer is at the time treated as a pass-through entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes, that investors in the Preference Shares who are non-U.S. persons not otherwise subject to U.S. net income tax are or have become subject to U.S. net income taxation in respect of income of the Issuer in an amount in excess of 10% of the net income of the Issuer in any twelve-month period.

**“Transaction Documents”** means, collectively, this Indenture, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

**“Transaction Securities”** means, collectively, the Securities and the Holding Securities.

**“Treasury Regulations”** means regulations, including proposed or temporary regulations, promulgated under the Code. References herein to specific provisions of proposed or temporary regulations shall include analogous provisions of final Treasury Regulations or other successor Treasury Regulations.

**“UCC”** means the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the State of New York, and as amended from time to time.

**“Underlying Instrument”** means the loan agreement, indenture, credit agreement, or other agreement pursuant to which a Pledged Obligation has been issued or created and each other agreement that governs the terms of or secures the obligations represented by the Pledged Obligation or of which the holders of the Pledged Obligation are the beneficiaries.

**“Unfunded Amount”** means, with respect to any Revolving Loan or any Delayed Drawdown Loan at any time, the excess, if any, of (a) the Commitment Amount over (b) the Funded Amount thereof.

**“Unscheduled Principal Payments”** means any principal payments received with respect to a Collateral Obligation as a result of optional redemptions, exchange offers, tender offers, other payments or prepayments made at the option of the issuer thereof or that are otherwise not scheduled to be made thereunder.

**“Valuation Report”** means the accounting report, determined as of the close of business on each Determination Date, rendered in accordance with the terms of the Indenture.

**“Voting Record Date”** means, with respect to any vote by the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares in relation to the appointment or removal of the directors of the Issuer, (a) 15 days prior to the relevant shareholders meeting or (b) in the case of any vote by the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares exercised by written consent resolution, the date of such resolution.

**“Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the rate obtained by:

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Fixed Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum rate at which it pays interest (other than, with respect to Collateral Obligations that are not PIK Securities, any interest that is not required to be paid in Cash and may be deferred), using only the effective after-tax interest rate determined by the Servicer on any Fixed Rate Obligation after taking into account any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction and any gross-up paid by the obligor);

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);

(iii) dividing the sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations that are Fixed Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, adding to the sum the amount of any Spread Excess as of the Measurement Date, but only to the extent required to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test.

**“Weighted Average Life”** means, as of any Measurement Date the number obtained by (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying (A) the Average Life at that time of each Collateral Obligation by (B) the Principal Balance at that time of the Collateral Obligation and (ii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance at that time of all Collateral Obligations.

**“Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor”** means the summation of the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation (excluding Eligible Investments) by its respective Moody’s Rating Factor, dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) and rounding the result up to the nearest whole number.

**“Weighted Average Spread”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate obtained by:

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Floating Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum contract spread at which it pays interest (which (x) for PIK Securities for which interest has been deferred or capitalized, will be deemed to be zero, (y) for Collateral Obligations that would be PIK Securities but for the proviso in the definition thereof, will be deemed to be equal to the effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest applicable thereto and (z) for any Revolving Loan or Delayed Draw Loan, will be the per annum contract spread for the Funded Amount thereof and the rate of the commitment fee and such other fees payable to the Issuer for any Unfunded Amount thereof), determined with respect to any Floating Rate Obligation that does not bear interest based on a London interbank offered rate, by expressing the current interest rate on the Floating Rate Obligation as a spread above a three month London interbank offered rate calculated in a manner consistent with the calculation of LIBOR;

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);

(iii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to pass the Weighted Average Spread Test, adding to that sum the amount of Fixed Rate Excess as of the Measurement Date.

**“Workout Assets”** means a Loan, High-Yield Bond, or Qualified Equity Security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation that the Issuer does not advance any funds to purchase that does not qualify as a Collateral Obligation.

**“Written-Down Obligation”** means as of any date of determination, any Structured Finance Obligation as to which the Issuer or the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, has been notified by the issuer of the Structured Finance Obligation that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Structured Finance Obligation and all other Structured Finance Obligations secured by the same pool of collateral that rank *pari passu* with or senior in priority of payment to the Structured Finance Obligation exceeds the aggregate principal balance (including reserved interest or other amounts available for overcollateralization) of all collateral securing the Structured Finance Obligation and such other *pari passu* and senior Structured Finance Obligations (excluding defaulted collateral).

**“Zero-Coupon Security”** means a security that, at the time of determination, does not make periodic payments of interest. A Zero-Coupon Security shall not include a security that is a PIK Security.

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61,500 Class I Preference Shares  
62,000 Class II Preference Shares

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**INVESTORS BANK & TRUST COMPANY**

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INDENTURE, dated as of March 13, 2007, among EASTLAND CLO LTD. (the "**Issuer**"), EASTLAND CLO CORP. (the "**Co-Issuer**") and INVESTORS BANK & TRUST COMPANY, as trustee (together with its permitted successors, the "**Trustee**").

#### PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

The Co-Issuers are duly authorized to execute and deliver this Indenture to provide for the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes and the Issuer is duly authorized to execute and deliver this Indenture to provide for the Class D Notes, in each case issuable as provided in this Indenture. All covenants and agreements made by the Co-Issuers in this Indenture are for the benefit and security of the Secured Parties. The Co-Issuers are entering into this Indenture, and the Trustee is accepting the trusts created by this Indenture, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged.

All things necessary to make this Indenture a valid agreement of the Co-Issuers in accordance with the agreement's terms have been done.

#### GRANTING CLAUSES

The Issuer Grants to the Trustee, for the benefit and security of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer and each Hedge Counterparty (and the Collateral Administrator, Preference Shares Paying Agent and Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent to the extent of Administrative Expenses payable to such parties as provided hereunder) (collectively, the "**Secured Parties**"), all of its right, title, and interest in, to, and under, in each case, whether now owned or existing, or hereafter acquired or arising:

(a) the Collateral Obligations (listed, as of the Closing Date, in Schedule 1 to this Indenture and listed from time to time on such Schedule 1 as such Schedule 1 may be modified, amended and revised subsequent to the Closing Date by the Issuer) and all Workout Assets, including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles or supporting obligations (each as defined in the UCC) relating thereto, all payments made or to be made thereon or with respect thereto, and all Collateral Obligations and Workout Assets including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles (as defined in the UCC) relating thereto, which are delivered or credited to the Trustee, or for which a Security Entitlement is delivered or credited to the Trustee or which are credited to one or more of the Issuer Accounts on or after the Closing Date and all payments made or to be made thereon or with respect thereto;

(b) the Custodial Account, the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Securities Lending Account (collectively, the "**Issuer Accounts**"), Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, and all income from funds in the Issuer Accounts;

(c) the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account (and, together with the Issuer Accounts, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account and the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the "**Accounts**") and assets included therein, subject to the terms of the related Synthetic Security (provided, however, that any such rights in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee (or Securities Intermediary) first to secure the Issuer's payment obligations to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty and second for the benefit of the Secured Parties);

(d) the Servicing Agreement, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Securities Lending Agreements and all Securities Lending Collateral and the Securities Lending Account, the Hedge Agreements as set forth in Article 15 and all Collateral securing the Hedge Counterparty's obligations thereunder including, without limitation, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Collateral Administration Agreement to the extent of any rights of the Issuer therein;

(e) all Cash or money delivered to the Trustee (or its bailee);

(f) all securities, investments, investment property, instruments, money, general intangibles, chattel paper and agreements of any nature in which the Issuer has an interest (except for money, securities and investments in the Issuer's bank account in the Cayman Islands), including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles or supporting obligations (each as defined in the UCC) relating thereto; and

(g) all proceeds with respect to the foregoing;

(all of the property and assets described in foregoing clauses (a) through (g), but excluding the Excluded Property, the "*Collateral*"). Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Collateral shall not include any Excluded Property.

These Grants are not intended to and do not transfer any liability under the Collateral, which liabilities shall remain the sole obligation of the Issuer. These Grants are made, however, in trust as separate trusts, to secure the Notes. Except as provided in Article 13 and the priorities set forth in the Priority of Payments, the Notes are secured by the first grant equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction between any Note and any other Note because of difference in time of issuance or otherwise. The Grants are made to secure, in accordance with the priorities in the Priority of Payments and Article 13:

(i) the payment of all amounts due on the Notes equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction between any Note and any other Note because of difference in time of issuance or otherwise, in accordance with their terms;

(ii) the payment of all other sums payable under this Indenture (other than amounts payable in respect of the Preference Shares);

(iii) the payment of sums payable to any Hedge Counterparty under a Hedge Agreement;

(iv) the payment of sums payable to the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement; and

(v) compliance with this Indenture;

(collectively, the "*Secured Obligations*"), all as provided in this Indenture.

The Trustee acknowledges the Grants, accepts the trusts under this Indenture in accordance with this Indenture, and agrees to perform its duties in this Indenture in accordance with the provisions hereof.

## ARTICLE 1

### DEFINITIONS

#### Section 1.1. *Definitions.*

Except as otherwise specified in this Indenture or as the context may otherwise require, the following terms have the respective meanings provided below for all purposes of this Indenture.

**"A/B Exchange"**: An exchange of one security (the "**A Security**") for another security (the "**B Security**") of the same issuer or issuers, which security shall have substantially identical terms to the A Security except that one or more transfer restrictions applicable to the A Security are inapplicable to the B Security.

**"Accounts"**: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Accountants' Certificate"**: An agreed upon procedures report of a firm of Independent certified public accountants of international reputation appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8(a), which may be the firm of Independent accountants that performs certain accounting services for the Issuer or the Servicer.

**"Accrued Interest On Sale"**: Interest accrued on a Collateral Obligation at the time of sale or other disposition to the extent paid to the Issuer as part of the sale or other disposition price of the Collateral Obligation after deduction of any amount representing Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal"**: (i) Interest accrued on or purchased with a Collateral Obligation as part of the price paid by the Issuer to acquire the Collateral Obligation less any amount of Interest Proceeds (applied as Interest Proceeds) applied by the Issuer to acquire the accrued interest at the time of purchase and (ii) interest accrued on a Loan that constitutes part of the price paid by the Issuer to repurchase and terminate participations sold to Pre-Closing Parties to finance the Issuer's pre-closing acquisition of such Loan.

**"Act"**: The meaning specified in Section 14.2.

**"Administration Agreement"**: The Administration Agreement, between the Issuer and the Administrator, providing for the administrative functions of the Issuer, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Administrative Expense Cap"**: An amount on any Payment Date equal to the excess of:

(a) the sum of 0.04% of the Maximum Amount on the related Determination Date plus \$200,000, *over*

(b) the sum of the amounts paid for Administrative Expenses in the twelve months preceding the current Payment Date.

**"Administrative Expenses"**: Amounts due or accrued representing

(i) tax preparation, filing, and registration fees or expenses and any other filing and registration fees owed by the Co-Issuers or Investors Corp. (including all filing, registration, and annual return fees payable to the Cayman Islands government and registered office fees);

(ii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Trustee (including all amounts under Section 6.8), the Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Collateral Administrator;

(iii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Co-Issuers and Investors Corp. and of accountants, agents, and counsel for each of the Co-Issuers and Investors Corp.;

(iv) fees and expenses of the Rating Agencies in connection with any rating of the Collateral (requested by the Issuer or the Servicer) or the Notes owed by either Co-Issuer (including fees and expenses for ongoing surveillance, credit estimates, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies);

(v) expenses and indemnities (but not Servicing Fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;

(vi) fees, indemnities and expenses for third-party loan pricing services and accountants; and

(vii) amounts due (other than indemnities) to any other person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for in this Indenture, including fees or expenses in connection with any Securities Lending Agreement.

**"Administrator"**: Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited.

**"Affected Class"**: Any Class of Notes that, as a result of the occurrence of a Tax Event, has received, or will receive less than the aggregate amount of principal and interest that would otherwise have been payable to such Class on the Distribution Date related to the Due Period with respect to which such Tax Event occurs.

**"Affiliate" or "Affiliated"**: With respect to a person,

(i) any other person who, directly or indirectly, is in control of, or controlled by, or is under common control with, the person, or

(ii) any other person who is a director, officer, or employee (A) of the person, (B) of any subsidiary or parent company of the person or (C) of any person described in clause (i) above.

For the purposes of this definition, control of a person shall mean the power, direct or indirect,

(A) to vote more than 50% of the securities having ordinary voting power for the election of directors of the person, or

(B) to direct the corporate management and corporate policies of the person whether by contract or otherwise (this does not include the Servicing Agreement unless it is amended expressly to provide those services).

For the purpose of this definition, the Administrator and its Affiliates are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Co-Issuers and the Co-Issuers are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Administrator, or any of their Affiliates.

**"Agent Members"**: Members of, or participants in, a Depository.



**"Aggregate Outstanding Amount"**: When used with respect to any of the Notes as of any date, the aggregate principal amount of such Notes on that date. When used with respect to the Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares as of any date, means the number of such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares Outstanding on such date.

Except as otherwise provided herein:

(a) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1 Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(b) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-2a Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(c) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-2b Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(d) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-3 Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(e) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes at any time shall include all Deferred Interest attributed thereto;

(f) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes at any time shall include all Class C Deferred Interest attributed thereto; and

(g) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes at any time shall include all Class D Deferred Interest attributed thereto.

**"Aggregate Principal Balance"**: When used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Principal Balances of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Principal Balance means the sum of the Principal Balances of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**"Aggregate Purchase Price Amount"**: When used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Purchase Price Amount means the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**"Allocable Principal Balance"**: With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, the portion of the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security that is allocable to each Reference Obligation comprising such index or indices based upon allocating the Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security among such Reference Obligations in the same proportion as each Reference Obligation bears to the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security.

**"Amendment Buy-Out"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.6(a).

**"Amendment Buy-Out Option":** The meaning specified in Section 9.6(a).

**"Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price":** The purchase price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Transaction Securities purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the date of purchase payable to the Non-Consenting Holder (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), plus any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment, plus in the case of any CDS/TRS Purchaser, the applicable CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares and the Holding Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, since the Closing Date (and any amounts payable, if any, to the Non-Consenting Holder or the Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder, as applicable, on the next succeeding Payment Date) would cause such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); provided, however, that in any Amendment Buy-Out from and after the date on which the Non-Consenting Holders or the Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price for such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, shall be zero.

**"Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser":** The Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); provided that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Transaction Securities from Holders pursuant to Section 9.6, "Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Investors Corp. Placement Agent or any of their respective Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; provided, however, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Investors Corp. Placement Agent or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

**"Applicable Discount Rate":** For purposes of determining the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount with respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser in connection with an Amendment Buy-Out, USD-LIBOR-BBA, as defined in the Annex to the 2000 ISDA Definitions as determined by the applicable CDS/TRS Purchaser on the Business Day preceding the date of purchase of the applicable Notes from such CDS/TRS Purchaser in connection with such Amendment Buy-Out.

**"Applicable Issuers" or "Applicable Issuer":** With respect to the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes, each of the Co-Issuers. With respect to the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares, the Issuer only.

**"Applicable Note Interest Rate":** With respect to the Notes of any Class, the Note Interest Rate with respect to such Class.

**"Applicable Percentage":** The lesser of the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation and the S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation and the current S&P Rating of the Class A-1 Notes.

**"Approved Credit Support Document"**: A security agreement in the form of the 1994 ISDA Credit Support Annex (ISDA Agreements Subject to New York Law Only), as modified by Paragraph 13 thereto.

**"Approved Pricing Service"**: Loan Pricing Corporation, Mark-It-Partners, Inc. or any other nationally recognized loan pricing service approved in writing by S&P.

**"Ask-Side Market Value"**: As of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any lent Collateral Obligation based upon the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the higher of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the ask-side prices for the purchase of such Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer); provided that if the Ask-Side Market Value of any lent Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the outstanding principal balance thereof.

**"Assigned Moody's Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Authenticating Agent"**: With respect to the Notes, the Trustee or the person designated by the Trustee to authenticate the Notes on behalf of the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.15.

**"Authorized Officer"**: With respect to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp., any Officer or agent who is authorized to act for the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp., as applicable, in matters relating to, and binding on, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp. With respect to the Servicer, any managing member, Officer, manager, employee, partner or agent of the Servicer who is authorized to act for the Servicer in matters relating to, and binding on, the Servicer with respect to the subject matter of the request, certificate, or order in question. With respect to the Trustee or any other bank or trust company acting as trustee of an express trust or as custodian, a Trust Officer. Each party may receive and accept a certification of the authority of any other party as conclusive evidence of the authority of any person to act, and the certification may be considered as in full force and effect until receipt by the other party of written notice to the contrary.

**"Average Life"**: As of any Measurement Date with respect to any Collateral Obligation (other than any Defaulted Collateral Obligation), the quotient obtained by dividing:

- (i) the sum of the products of:
  - (A) the number of years (rounded to the nearest hundredth) from the Measurement Date to the respective dates of each successive scheduled payment of principal of the Collateral Obligation, and
  - (B) the respective amounts of the successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation, by
- (ii) the sum of all successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Bank"**: Investors Bank & Trust Company, in its individual capacity and not as Trustee.

**"Bankruptcy Code"**: The U.S. Bankruptcy Code, Title 11 of the United States Code.

**"Bankruptcy Law"**: The Bankruptcy Code, Part V of the Companies Law (2004 Revision) of the Cayman Islands and the Bankruptcy Law (1997 Revision) of the Cayman Islands.

**"Beneficial Owner"**: Any person owning an interest in a Global Note as reflected on the books of the Depository or on the books of an Agent Member or on the books of an indirect participant for which an Agent Member acts as agent.

**"Benefit Plan Investor"**: Any (i) "employee benefit plan" within the meaning of Section 3(3) of ERISA, that is subject to Title I of ERISA, (ii) any "plan" described by Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code, or an entity whose underlying assets include the assets of any plan described in (i) or (ii) by reason of such plan's investment in such entity.

**"Board Resolution"**: With respect to the Issuer, a resolution of the board of directors of the Issuer and, with respect to the Co-Issuer, a resolution of the board of directors of the Co-Issuer.

**"Business Day"**: A day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in New York City and any other city in which the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee is located and, in the case of the final payment of principal of any Note, the place of presentation of the Note designated by the Trustee; provided, however, that, for purposes of determining LIBOR, "Business Day" must also be a day on which dealings in deposits in Dollars are transacted in the London interbank market. To the extent action is required of the Irish Paying Agent, Dublin, Ireland shall be considered in determining "Business Day" for purposes of determining when actions by the Irish Paying Agent are required.

**"Calculation Agent"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.16.

**"Caa1 Collateral Obligations"**: The Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have a Moody's Rating below "B3".

**"Cash"**: Such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for payment of all public and private debts.

**"CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations"**: The Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have (i) a Moody's Rating below "B3" and/or (ii) an S&P Rating below "B-".

**"CCC+/Caa1 Excess Market Value Percentage"**: The percentage equivalent of a fraction, the numerator of which is the aggregate Market Value of CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations (in order of ascending Market Value Percentage, starting with the CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation with the lowest Market Value Percentage) with an aggregate Principal Balance equal to Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations and the denominator of which is an amount equal to the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations.

**"CDS/TRS Purchaser"**: A Holder of the Notes or, in the case of Notes represented by Global Notes, any beneficial owner thereof that has entered into either a credit default swap or a total return swap with respect to such Notes.

**"CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount"**: With respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser in connection with an Amendment Buy-Out, as the case may be, (i) on any Payment Date prior to the

August 2011 Payment Date, an amount equal to the present value of the Fixed Amounts with respect to such CDS/TRS Purchaser and each Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period until the last Fixed Rate Calculation Period, discounting each Fixed Amount from the Payment Date following the end of each such Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period to the date of purchase of the applicable Notes at the Applicable Discount Rate, and (ii) on any Payment Date on and after the August 2011 Payment Date, zero; provided that, in the case of clause (i), the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount shall be calculated by the Servicer and subject to the approval of such CDS/TRS Purchaser.

**"Certificate of Authentication"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.1.

**"Certificated Class D Note"**: The meaning set forth in Section 2.2(e).

**"Certificated Preference Share"**: The meaning set forth in the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

**"Certificated Security (UCC)"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(4) of the UCC.

**"Class"**: All of the Notes having the same priority and the same Stated Maturity and all of the Preference Shares.

**"Class A Notes"**: The Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes.

**"Class A-1 Notes"**: The Class A-1 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class A-2 Notes "**: The Class A-2a Notes and the Class A-2b Notes.

**"Class A-2a Notes"**: The Class A-2a Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class A-2b Notes "**: The Class A-2b Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class A-3 Notes "**: The Class A-3 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class A Coverage Tests"**: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes and the Class A-3 Notes.

**"Class B Coverage Test"**: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class B Notes.

**"Class B Deferred Interest"**: Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes.

**"Class B Notes"**: The Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class C Coverage Tests"**: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class C Notes.

**"Class C Deferred Interest"**: Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C Notes.

**"Class C Notes"**: The Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class D Coverage Tests"**: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class D Notes.

**"Class D Deferred Interest"**: Deferred Interest with respect to the Class D Notes.

**"Class D Notes"**: The Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Issuer pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class P Securities"**: The Class P Securities issued by Investors Corp. pursuant to the Holding Preference Share Documents

**"Class I Preference Shares"**: The Class I Preference Shares issued by the Issuer pursuant to the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association and the resolutions of the Issuer's board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

**"Class II Preference Share Percentage"**: For any Payment Date, a fraction, expressed as a percentage, the numerator of which is the number of Outstanding Class II Preference Shares on such Payment Date and the denominator of which is the total number of Outstanding Preference Shares on such Payment Date.

**"Class II Preference Share Portion"**: For any Payment Date, 100% minus the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date.

**"Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment"**: For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Senior Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**"Class II Preference Share Special Payment"**: Collectively, the Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment, the Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment and the Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment.

**"Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(j).

**"Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment"**: For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Subordinated Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**"Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment"**: For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**"Class II Preference Shares"**: The Class II Preference Shares issued by the Issuer pursuant to the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association and the resolutions of the Issuer's

board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

**"Class Scenario Loss Rate"**: With respect to any Class of Notes rated by S&P, an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, consistent with S&P's rating of the Class of Notes on the Closing Date, determined by application of the S&P CDO Monitor.

**"Clearing Agency"**: An organization registered as a "clearing agency" pursuant to Section 17A of the Exchange Act.

**"Clearing Corporation"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(5) of the UCC.

**"Clearing Corporation Security"**: A "security" (as defined in Section 8-102(a)(15) of the UCC) that (i) is a debt or equity security and (ii) is in the custody of or maintained on the books of a Clearing Corporation or its nominee.

**"Clearstream"**: Clearstream Banking, société anonyme, a corporation organized under the laws of the Duchy of Luxembourg.

**"Closing Date"**: March, 13, 2007.

**"Closing Date Expense Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(g).

**"Co-Issuer"**: The person named as such on the first page of this Indenture.

**"Co-Issuers"**: The Issuer and the Co-Issuer.

**"Code"**: The United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

**"Collateral"**: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Collateral Acquisition Agreement"**: The agreement dated as of the Closing Date between the Issuer and the Servicer, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Collateral Administration Agreement"**: The agreement dated as of the Closing Date among the Issuer, the Servicer, and the Collateral Administrator, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Collateral Administrator"**: Investors Bank & Trust Company, in its capacity as collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement.

**"Collateral Assignment of Hedge Agreements"**: With respect to each Hedge Agreement, the assignment of all of the Issuer's interest in the Hedge Agreement to the Trustee and acknowledged by the Hedge Counterparty to create a security interest therein in favor of the Trustee.

**"Collateral Obligation"**: Any obligation or security that, when the Issuer commits to purchase (or otherwise acquire) the obligation or security, is a Loan, High-Yield Bond, Structured Finance Obligation, or Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that is a Loan, a Structured Finance Obligation or High-Yield Bond that is:

- (1) denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars and is not convertible by its obligor into any other currency;
- (2) an obligation of an obligor Domiciled in an Eligible Country;
- (3) an obligation that is eligible by its terms to be assigned to the Issuer and pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral;
- (4) not an exchangeable or convertible security;
- (5) not an equity security or a component of an equity security or a security that has a component that is an equity security (other than for avoidance of doubt, a pass-through trust certificate in a trust holding Collateral Obligations);
- (6) not an obligation or security that has been called for redemption and is not an obligation or security that is the subject of an Offer other than a Permitted Offer or an exchange offer in which a security that is not registered under the Securities Act is exchanged for (i) a security that has substantially identical terms (except for transfer restrictions) but is registered under the Securities Act or (ii) a security that would otherwise qualify for purchase under Article 12;
- (7) an obligation that (a) has a Moody's Rating (including any estimated or confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored) and (b) has an S&P Rating (including any confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored), which S&P Rating does not have a "p", "pi", "q", "r" or "t" subscript unless S&P otherwise authorizes in writing;
- (8) an obligation that is a Finance Lease (if it is a lease) and the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;
- (9) (a) an obligation that is not a Current-Pay Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation and (b) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that has a Moody's Rating of "Caa1" or lower or an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower, an obligation for which the Servicer has certified in writing that such Collateral Obligation is not a Credit Risk Obligation;
- (10) an obligation that (unless it is a High-Yield Bond) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness for borrowed money of the applicable issuer; provided that for the avoidance of doubt, this clause shall not prohibit the inclusion as Collateral Obligations of Subordinated Lien Loans or Second Lien Loans;
- (11) an obligation that (i) (unless it is a PIK Security) bears simple interest payable in cash no less frequently than annually at a fixed or floating rate that is paid on a periodic basis on an unleveraged basis and, in the case of a floating rate, computed on a benchmark interest rate plus or minus a spread, if any (which may vary under the terms of the obligation) and (ii) provides for a fixed amount of principal payable in cash according to a fixed schedule (which may include optional call dates) or at maturity (or a fixed notional amount in the case of Synthetic Securities);
- (12) an obligation the payment or repayment of the principal, if any, of which is not an amount determined by reference to any formula or index or subject to any contingency under the terms thereof;



(13) an obligation the portion of which to be acquired (including through a Synthetic Security with respect to the Reference Obligation) does not represent, directly or indirectly, more than a 25% interest in the obligation;

(14) not an obligation with a maturity later than two years after the Stated Maturity of the Notes;

(15) an obligation upon which no payments are subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the obligor thereof or counterparty with respect thereto is required to make "gross-up" payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax on an after-tax basis (other than withholding taxes with respect to commitment fees associated with Collateral Obligations constituting Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans);

(16) not a Loan or Synthetic Security that would require the Issuer after its purchase of the Loan or Synthetic Security to advance any funds to the related borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty or permit the borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty to require that any future advances be made except for:

(A) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the Issuer deposits into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, respectively, the maximum amount of any advances that may be required of the Issuer under the related Underlying Instrument (as provided in Section 10.3(b)), and

(B) any Synthetic Security if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Synthetic Security, the Issuer posts cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) the Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of any future advances;

(17) if such obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation, such obligation:

(A) has been assigned a rating by both Moody's and S&P;

(B) has a Moody's Rating of "Ba3" or higher and an S&P Rating of "BB-" or higher; and

(C) has not been placed on the watch list for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P;

(18) not a Loan that is an obligation of a debtor in possession or a trustee for a debtor in an insolvency proceeding other than a DIP Loan;

(19) with respect to an obligation that provides for the payment of interest at a floating rate, an obligation for which such floating rate is determined by reference to the U.S. Dollar prime rate or other base rate, London interbank offered rate or similar interbank offered rate, commercial deposit rate or any other index that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto;

(20) in the case of a Synthetic Security, the Synthetic Security is one for which the counterparty or issuer, as the case may be, has a short-term debt rating by Moody's of at least "P-1" or long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" and, if rated "A3" by Moody's, such rating is not on watch for downgrade, and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "AA-" or a short term debt rating by S&P of at least "A-1+";

(21) not an obligation that constitutes Margin Stock;

(22) not a Zero-Coupon Security;

(23) not an obligation that is currently deferring interest or paying interest "in kind" or otherwise has an interest "in kind" balance outstanding at the time of purchase, which interest is otherwise payable in cash, unless the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;

(24) not a security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer;

(25) not an obligation the interest payments of which are scheduled to decrease (although interest payments may decrease due to unscheduled events such as a decrease of the index relating to a Floating Rate Obligation, the change from a default rate of interest to a non-default rate of interest or an improvement in the obligor's financial condition); and

(26) not an obligation that will cause the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the pool of assets to be required to be registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act.

Pursuant to the definition of "Synthetic Security," unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event."

**"Collateral Quality Tests":** The Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Life Test, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the S&P CDO Monitor Test.

**"Collection Account":** The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.2(a).

**"Commitment Amount":** With respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the maximum aggregate outstanding principal amount (whether then funded or unfunded) of advances or other extensions of credit that the Issuer could be required to make to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments.

**"Commitment Reduction":** With respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, a permanent reduction (whether scheduled, mandatory, optional, or otherwise) in the related Commitment Amount.

**"Concentration Limitations"**: The limit set forth below with respect to a particular type of Relevant Obligation (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) as a percentage of the Maximum Amount:

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(1) Senior Secured Loans and Eligible Investments	$\geq 87.5\%$
(2) unsecured Loans	$\leq 3.0\%$
(3) Subordinated Lien Loans and Second Lien Loans	$\leq 10.0\%$
(4) Revolving Loans and the unfunded portion of Delayed Drawdown Loans	$\leq 12.0\%$
(5) DIP Loans	$\leq 5.0\%$
(a) except that with a Rating Confirmation, DIP Loans may constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 7.5\%$
(6) S&P Unrated DIP Loans	$\leq 2.5\%$
(7) PIK Securities	$\leq 3.0\%$
(8) High-Yield Bonds	$\leq 7.5\%$
(9) Structured Finance Obligations	$\leq 10.0\%$
(a) except that Structured Finance Obligations serviced by the Servicer may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 2.5\%$
(b) except that a single issuer together with any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) of a Structured Finance Obligation may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 3.0\%$
(10) Structured Finance Obligations that are collateralized loan obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(11) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States and Canada	$\leq 20.0\%$
(12) obligors Domiciled in Canada or any single Moody's Group I Country	$\leq 10.0\%$
(13) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group II Country	$\leq 5.0\%$
(14) obligors Domiciled in all Moody's Group II Countries in the aggregate	$\leq 10.0\%$
(15) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group III Country	$\leq 2.5\%$
(16) obligors Domiciled in all Moody's Group III Countries in the aggregate	$\leq 5.0\%$
(17) obligors organized in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction	$\leq 5.0\%$
(18) same S&P Industry Classification	$\leq 8.0\%$
(a) except that Relevant Obligations belonging to two S&P Industry Classifications may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 12.0\%$

(19)	single issuer and any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties)	$\leq 1.5\%$
(a)	except that up to each of five individual issuers and any of their Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 2.5\%$
(20)	Fixed Rate Obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(21)	Pay interest less frequently than quarterly but no less frequently than semi-annually	$\leq 7.5\%$
(22)	Pay interest less frequently than semi-annually but no less frequently than annually	$\leq 3.0\%$
(23)	Synthetic Securities	$\leq 20.0\%$
(a)	except that Synthetic Securities that provide for settlement other than by physical delivery may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$
(b)	except that Synthetic Securities that reference a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$
(24)	Participations ( <u>provided</u> that no Relevant Obligations may be a Participation in a Participation)	$\leq 20.0\%$
(25)	Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, in the aggregate may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 20.0\%$
(26)	Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, a single Secondary Risk Counterparty	$\leq$ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Individual Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating*
(27)	Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, all Secondary Risk Counterparties	$\leq$ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Aggregate Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating**
(28)	Deep Discount Obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(29)	CCC+/Caa1 and below Collateral Obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(30)	Long-Dated Collateral Obligations	$\leq 2.0\%$
(31)	Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements	$\leq 15.0\%$

(32)	Collateral Obligations providing for interest at a non-London interbank offered rate (excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, the unfunded amount of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan)	$\leq 5.0\%$
(33)	Collateral Obligations that are Loans that are part of a credit facility with a total global aggregate commitment amount of less than \$75,000,000	$\leq 10.0\%$

\* Applicable long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P of such Secondary Risk Counterparty (using the limit for the lower of such ratings if different).

\*\* Long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P at or below a level specified in the Secondary Risk Table (using the lower of such ratings for a Secondary Risk Counterparty, if different).

Subject to the rights in certain circumstances of the Servicer to determine otherwise as set out in Section 1.2(h), solely for the purpose of determining whether the Concentration Limitations are met, Eligible Investments and Cash will be treated as Senior Secured Loans and Floating Rate Obligations.

**"Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares"**: With respect to any Payment Date, a Holder of Preference Shares that has consented by delivering an irrevocable written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent to a distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds on such Payment Date.

**"Controlling Class"**: The Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes and the Class A-2b Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2a Notes or Class A-2b Notes are Outstanding; then the Class A-3 Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class A-3 Notes are Outstanding; then the Class B Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class B Notes are Outstanding; then the Class C Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class C Notes are Outstanding; and then the Class D Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class D Notes are Outstanding.

**"Controlling Person"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.6(c).

**"Corporate Trust Office"**: The corporate trust office of the Trustee at which the Trustee performs its duties under this Indenture, currently having an address of 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code: EUC 108, Boston, MA, 02116, telecopy no. (617) 351-4358, Attention: CDO Services Group or any other address the Trustee designates from time to time by notice to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Issuer, and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Trustee.

**"Coverage Tests"**: Collectively, the Class A Coverage Tests, the Class B Coverage Tests, the Class C Coverage Tests and the Class D Coverage Tests applicable as of any Measurement Date.

**"Credit Improved Obligation"**: Any Collateral Obligation that (a) is sold pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange or (b) in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has improved in credit quality; provided that, in forming such judgment, a reduction in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment; and provided, further, that, if a Credit Rating Event is in effect, such Collateral Obligation will be considered a Credit Improved Obligation only if in addition to the above:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been upgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing positive credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under this Indenture,

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced a reduction in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Servicer (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's),

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has increased by at least 1.00% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Servicer (provided that this subclause (iii)(x) will be deemed satisfied if Market Value increases to 101), or (y) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more positive than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, plus 3.00%, over the same period, or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Improved Obligation if:

- (i) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Improved Obligation or
- (ii) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Improved Obligation.

**"Credit Rating Event"**: An event that is in effect if the rating by Moody's:

- (i) of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes or the Class A-2b Notes has been withdrawn or is one or more rating sub-categories below its Initial Rating; or
- (ii) of the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes has been withdrawn or is two or more rating sub-categories below its respective Initial Rating.

For the purposes of this definition, any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not be effective if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody's has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes and the Class A-2b Notes, or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**"Credit Risk Obligation":** Any Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has significantly declined in credit quality and has a significant risk, with a lapse of time, of becoming a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; provided that in forming such judgment, an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment.

So long as a Credit Rating Event is in effect, no Collateral Obligation shall be eligible to be a Credit Risk Obligation unless in addition to the above, as of the date of determination:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been downgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing negative credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under this Indenture,

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced an increase in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Servicer (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's),

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has decreased by at least 2.50% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Servicer, and (y) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more negative, or less positive, as the case may be, than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, less 3.00%, over the same period, or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation set forth in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) above, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Risk Obligation if:

(a) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Risk Obligation, or

(b) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Risk Obligation.

**"Current-Pay Obligation":** A Collateral Obligation as to which:

(i) an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to its obligor or as to which its obligor is rated "D" or "SD" by S&P or its obligor has previously been rated "CCC-" by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn,

(ii) no default as to the payment of principal or interest with respect to the Collateral Obligation is then continuing and the Servicer has delivered to the Trustee an Officer's certificate to the effect that the Servicer expects that the obligor will make payments on the Collateral Obligation as they become due,

(iii) (A) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is at least "Caa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 80% of its Principal Balance or (B) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is less than "Caa1" or is "Caa1" and on credit watch with negative implications, the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 85% of its Principal Balance,

(iv) if an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to the obligor of the Collateral Obligation, a bankruptcy court has authorized the payment of interest payable on the Collateral Obligation, and

(v) the Servicer has designated in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligation as a Current-Pay Obligation.

If the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations exceeds 5% of the Maximum Amount, all or a portion of one or more Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance equal to the amount of the excess shall not be Current-Pay Obligations (and will therefore be Defaulted Collateral Obligations). The Servicer shall designate in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligations that shall not be Current-Pay Obligations pursuant to the preceding sentence as the Collateral Obligations (or portions thereof) that have the lowest Market Value on any applicable date of determination.

The Servicer may, with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, by notice to the Issuer, the Trustee, and the Collateral Administrator, change the definition of "Current-Pay Obligation" or how Current-Pay Obligations are treated in this Indenture, subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency.

**"Current Portfolio"**: At any time, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations, Principal Proceeds held as Cash on deposit in the Collection Account, and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account that exists before the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or before the acquisition of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**"Custodial Account"**: The custodial account established in the name of the Trustee pursuant to Section 10.3(a).

**"Custodian"**: The meaning specified in the first sentence of Section 3.2(a) with respect to items of collateral referred to therein, and each entity with which an Account is maintained, as the context may require, each of which shall be a Securities Intermediary.



**"Deep Discount Obligation"**: Until the average Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation, as determined daily for any period of 30 consecutive days, equals or exceeds 90%, any Collateral Obligation acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 85% of its Principal Balance. For such purpose, the Market Value Percentage of a Collateral Obligation on a day that is not a Business Day shall be deemed to be the Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation on the immediately preceding Business Day.

**"Default"**: Any Event of Default or any occurrence that, with notice or the lapse of time or both, would become an Event of Default.

**"Defaulted Collateral Obligation"**: Any Collateral Obligation or other obligation included in the Collateral:

(i) as to which there has occurred and is continuing a default with respect to the payment of interest or principal with respect to such Collateral Obligation, without giving effect to any applicable grace period or waiver (provided that if the Servicer certifies to the Trustee in writing that such default is for non-credit related reasons, the related Collateral Obligation shall not be treated as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under this clause (i) unless and until such default has continued for a period of three (3) consecutive business days), but, in any case, only until such default has been cured;

(ii) the maturity of all or a portion of the principal amount of such Collateral Obligation has been accelerated as a consequence of a default (other than any payment default) under the instruments evidencing or relating to such Collateral Obligation; unless such default or event of default has been fully cured or waived and is no longer continuing and such acceleration has been rescinded;

(iii) with respect to which there has been effected any distressed exchange or other debt restructuring where the obligor has offered the holders thereof a new security or instrument or package of securities or instruments that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, either (x) amounts to a diminished financial obligation or (y) has the sole purpose of enabling the obligor to avoid a default;

(iv) (1) that is *pari passu* with or subordinated to other indebtedness for borrowed money owing by its obligor ("**Other Indebtedness**"), (2) the obligor has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (without regard to any applicable grace or notice period and without regard to any waiver of the default) on the Other Indebtedness, unless, in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid on the Other Indebtedness and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation and (3) the Servicer, provided that the related Collateral Obligation has not been downgraded after the default on such Other Indebtedness has occurred, determines (in its commercially reasonable judgment) that such Other Indebtedness is material;

(v) (other than a Current-Pay Obligation or a DIP Loan) as to which:

(A) an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to its obligor, or

(B) the obligation is rated "D", "SD", "C" or "CC" by S&P or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn, or has previously been rated "CCC-" or lower by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;

(vi) if the Collateral Obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation, it is rated "CC" or below by S&P, or it was rated "CC" or below by S&P but the rating has since been withdrawn, or it is rated "Ca" or below by Moody's, or it was rated "C" or below by Moody's but the rating has since been withdrawn;

(vii) that is a Participation that would, if the underlying Loan were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (v) above or with respect to which the Participating Institution has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Participation;

(viii) that is a Synthetic Security referencing a Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above or with respect to which the Synthetic Security Counterparty has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Synthetic Security; provided, however, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time: (x) a determination whether the Reference Obligations upon which such Synthetic Security is based would, if such Reference Obligations were Collateral Obligations, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each of the Reference Obligations on which such Synthetic Security is based in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation and (y) the "Defaulted Collateral Obligation" for purposes of this clause (viii) shall be limited to the Allocable Principal Balance of each Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above;

(ix) that is a Written-Down Obligation;

(x) that is a DIP Loan as to which an order has been entered converting the debtor's chapter 11 case to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code; or

(xi) that is declared to be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation by the Servicer.

Any Collateral Obligation that is classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall cease to be so classified if the Collateral Obligation, at any date thereafter,

(1) would not otherwise be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this definition; and

(2) otherwise meets the Eligibility Criteria as of that date.

If any portion of a Collateral Obligation has a maturity later than one year after the Stated Maturity of the Notes due to a change in the payment schedule of the Collateral Obligation occurring after its acquisition by the Issuer, that portion of the Collateral Obligation shall be considered a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**"Defaulted Hedge Termination Payment"**: Any termination payment required to be made by the Issuer to a Hedge Counterparty pursuant to a Hedge Agreement upon a termination of the Hedge Agreement in respect of which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**"Defaulted Interest"**: Any interest payable in respect of any Class of Notes that is not punctually paid or duly provided for on the applicable Payment Date or at Stated Maturity.

**"Defaulted Interest Charge"**: To the extent lawful, interest on any Defaulted Interest at the Default Interest Rate.

**"Default Interest Rate"**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate equal to the Note Interest Rate payable on the Notes of the Class.

**"Deferred Interest"**: With respect to any specified Class of Deferred Interest Notes, the meaning specified in Section 2.8(a).

**"Deferred Interest Notes"**: The Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**"Deficiency Amount"**: The meaning specified in Section 16.3(a).

**"Deficiency Notice Date"**: The meaning specified in Section 16.3(a).

**"Definitive Notes"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.11(b).

**"Delayed Drawdown Loan"**: A Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that

(i) requires the Issuer to make one or more future advances to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments,

(ii) specifies a maximum amount that can be borrowed on one or more fixed borrowing dates, and

(iii) does not permit the re-borrowing of any amount previously repaid.

A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Delayed Drawdown Loan for so long as its unused commitment amount is greater than zero and for purposes of the Concentration Limits only unfunded portions will count as Delayed Drawdown Loans.

**"Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(b).

**"Deliver" or "Delivered" or "Delivery"**: The taking of the following steps:

(i) in the case of each Certificated Security (UCC) (other than a Clearing Corporation Security) or Instrument,

(A) causing the delivery of such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument to the Custodian registered in the name of the Custodian or endorsed, by an effective endorsement, to the Custodian or in blank,

(B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument is credited to the applicable Account, and

(C) causing the Custodian to maintain continuous possession of such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument;

- (ii) in the case of each Uncertificated Security (other than a Clearing Corporation Security),
  - (A) causing such Uncertificated Security to be continuously registered on the books of the issuer thereof to the Custodian, and
  - (B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Uncertificated Security is credited to the applicable Account;
- (iii) in the case of each Clearing Corporation Security,
  - (A) causing the relevant Clearing Corporation to credit such Clearing Corporation Security to the securities account of the Custodian, and
  - (B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate by on its books and records that such Clearing Corporation Security is credited to the applicable Account;
- (iv) in the case of each security issued or guaranteed by the United States of America or agency or instrumentality thereof and that is maintained in book-entry records of a Federal Reserve Bank ("**FRB**") (each such security, a "**Government Security**"),
  - (A) causing the creation of a Security Entitlement to such Government Security by the credit of such Government Security to the securities account of the Custodian at such FRB, and
  - (B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Government Security is credited to the applicable Account;
- above, (v) in the case of each Security Entitlement not governed by clauses (i) through (iv),
  - (A) causing a Securities Intermediary (x) to indicate on its books and records that the underlying Financial Asset has been credited to be the Custodian's securities account, (y) to receive a Financial Asset from a Securities Intermediary or acquiring the underlying Financial Asset for a Securities Intermediary, and in either case, accepting it for credit to the Custodian's securities account or (z) to become obligated under other law, regulation or rule to credit the underlying Financial Asset to a Security Intermediary's securities account,
  - (B) causing such Securities Intermediary to make entries on its books and records continuously identifying such Security Entitlement as belonging to the Custodian and continuously indicating on its books and records that such Security Entitlement is credited to the Custodian's securities account, and
  - (C) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Security Entitlement (or all rights and property of the Custodian representing such Security Entitlement) is credited to the applicable Account;
- (vi) in the case of cash or money,
  - (A) causing the delivery of such cash or money to the Custodian,

(B) causing the Custodian to treat such cash or money as a Financial Asset maintained by such Custodian for credit to the applicable Account in accordance with the provisions of Article 8 of the UCC, and

(C) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such cash or money is credited to the applicable Account; and

(vii) in the case of each general intangible (including any Participation in which the Participation is not represented by an Instrument),

(A) causing the filing of a Financing Statement in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of the District of Columbia, Washington, DC, and

(B) causing the registration of this Indenture in the Register of Mortgages of the Issuer at the Issuer's registered office in the Cayman Islands;

in addition, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will obtain any and all consents required by the underlying agreements relating to any such general intangibles for the transfer of ownership to the Issuer and the pledge hereunder (except to the extent that the requirement for such consent is rendered ineffective under Section 9-406 of the UCC).

In addition to the methods specified above, any Collateral may be delivered in accordance with any other method specified in an Opinion of Counsel delivered to the Trustee as sufficient to establish a first priority perfected security (subject to customary exceptions and qualifications) interest therein.

**"Depository" or "DTC":** The Depository Trust Company and its nominees.

**"Determination Date":** The last day of any Due Period.

**"DIP Loan":** Any Loan

(i) that has a rating assigned by Moody's (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by Moody's, the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by Moody's within five Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer) and a rating assigned by S&P (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by S&P, the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P within two Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer),

(ii) that is an obligation of a debtor in possession as described in Section 1107 of the Bankruptcy Code or a trustee (if appointment of a trustee has been ordered pursuant to Section 1104 of the Bankruptcy Code) (a **"Debtor"**) organized under the laws of the United States or any state of the United States, and

(iii) the terms of which have been approved by a final order of the United States Bankruptcy Court, United States District Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, the enforceability of which order is not subject to any pending contested matter or proceeding (as those terms are defined in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure) and which order provides that

(A) the Loan is secured by liens on the Debtor's otherwise unencumbered assets pursuant to Section 364(c)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code,

(B) the Loan is secured by liens of equal or senior priority on property of the Debtor's estate that is otherwise subject to a lien pursuant to Section 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code,

(C) the Loan is fully secured (based on a current valuation or appraisal report) by junior liens on the Debtor's encumbered assets, or

(D) if any portion of the Loan is unsecured, the repayment of the Loan retains priority over all other administrative expenses pursuant to Section 364(c)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code (and in the case of this clause (D), before the acquisition of the Loan, the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency).

**"Discount Note":** Any Note that is treated as being issued with "original issue discount" within the meaning of Section 1271 through 1275 of the Code and Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.

**"Diversity Score":** A single number that indicates collateral concentration in terms of both issuer and industry concentration, calculated as set forth in Schedule 4 to this Indenture.

**"Diversity Test":** A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Diversity Score equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score. For the purposes of calculating the Diversity Test, any Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation will be disregarded.

**"Dollar" or "U.S. Dollar" or "U.S.\$":** A dollar or other equivalent unit in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for all debts, public and private.

**"Domicile" or "Domiciled":** With respect to each Collateral Obligation, (i) the jurisdiction of incorporation, organization or creation of the related obligor or (ii) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that would otherwise be considered to be domiciled pursuant to clause (i) in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction, the jurisdiction in which, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the related obligor conducts substantially all of its business operations and in which the assets primarily responsible for generating its revenues are located.

**"Due Date":** Each date on which any payment is due on a Pledged Obligation in accordance with its terms.

**"Due Period":** With respect to any Payment Date, for all purposes other than payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements, the period from the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date, from the Closing Date) up to but excluding the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the Payment Date (or in the case of the final Payment Date or any Payment Date that is a Redemption Date, through the Business Day before the Payment Date and for payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements the period from the day after the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date from the Closing Date) through the Payment Date).

**"Eligibility Criteria":** The meaning specified in Section 12.2(b).

**"Eligible Collateral":** (i) Cash, (ii) U.S. Treasury obligations, (iii) U.S. agency obligations or (iv) commercial paper obligations rated at least "P-1" by Moody's (and not on watch for downgrade) and "A-1+" by S&P, in each case to collateralize fully on a mark-to-market basis the obligations of a Hedge Counterparty under the related Hedge Agreement.

**"Eligible Country":** The United States, Canada and any country classified by Moody's as a Moody's Group I Country, Moody's Group II Country or Moody's Group III Country and, in each case, has an S&P foreign currency rating of at least "AA" and Moody's foreign currency rating of at least "Aa2".

**"Eligible Equity Security":** An equity security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation by, or on behalf of, the Issuer that (i) is publicly traded on an Established Securities Market or (ii) the Market Value of which is higher than the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation with respect to which such equity security has been acquired by the Issuer.

**"Eligible Investments":** Any Dollar-denominated obligation or asset that, when it is pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee under this Indenture, is one or more of the following:

- (a) Cash;
- (b) direct Registered obligations of, and Registered obligations the timely payment of principal and interest on which is fully and expressly guaranteed by, the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States the obligations of which are expressly backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, which in each case are not zero coupon securities;
- (c) demand and time deposits in, trust accounts, certificates of deposit payable within 91 days of issuance of, bankers' acceptances payable within 91 days of issuance issued by, or Federal funds sold by any depository institution or trust company incorporated under the laws of the United States or any state thereof and subject to supervision and examination by Federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or the debt obligations of such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company), at the time of such acquisition or contractual commitment providing for such acquisition and throughout the term thereof, have a credit rating of not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade, or "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P in the case of commercial paper and short-term debt obligations; provided that in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than "AA-" by S&P and "Aa3" by Moody's and a short-term rating of "A-1+" by S&P and "P-1" by Moody's, and if so rated, is not on watch for downgrade;
- (d) commercial paper or other short-term obligations with a maturity of not more than 183 days from the date of issuance and having at the time of such acquisition a credit rating of at least "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P; provided that, in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's and "AA-" by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade.
- (e) unleveraged repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clause (b) above entered into with a U.S. federal or state depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (c) above or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose long-term credit rating is not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade or whose short-term credit rating is "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof; provided that, if such repurchase obligation has

a maturity of longer than 91 days, the counterparty thereto must also have at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(f) any money market fund or similar vehicle having at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof a credit rating of "MR1+" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P; including any fund for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee serves as an investment adviser, administrator, shareholder servicing agent, custodian or subcustodian, notwithstanding that (A) the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses from such funds for services rendered (provided that such charges, fees and expenses are on terms consistent with terms negotiated at arm's length) and (B) the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses for services rendered, pursuant to this Indenture;

(g) a guaranteed reinvestment agreement from a bank (if treated as a deposit by such bank), insurance company or other corporation or entity organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (if treated as debt by such insurance company or other corporation or entity), providing for periodic payments thereunder during each Due Period; provided that each such agreement provides that it is terminable by the purchaser, without premium or penalty, in the event that the rating assigned to such agreement by either Moody's or S&P is at any time lower than the then current ratings assigned to the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes; provided, further, that, at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof, the issuer of such agreement has a senior unsecured long-term debt rating, issuer rating or counterparty rating of at least "Aaa" by Moody's, a short-term debt rating of "P-1" by Moody's (and not on watch for downgrade), a short-term debt rating of at least "A-1+" by S&P and a long-term debt rating of at least "AAA" by S&P (and not on watch for downgrade); and

(h) such other obligations or assets for which Rating Confirmation has been received;

and, in each case, with a stated maturity (giving effect to any applicable grace period) no later than the Business Day before the Payment Date next succeeding the date of acquisition.

Eligible Investments on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account must have a stated maturity no later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase.

Eligible Investments may not include:

(1) any interest-only security, any security purchased at a price in excess of 100% of its par value, any mortgage-backed security or any security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer;

(2) any security whose rating assigned by S&P includes the subscript "r", "t", "p", "pi" or "q";

(3) any floating rate security whose interest rate is inversely or otherwise not proportionately related to an interest rate index or is calculated as other than the sum of an interest rate index plus a spread (which spread may be zero);



- (4) any security that is subject to an exchange or tender offer; or
- (5) any security that has payments subject to foreign or United States withholding tax.

Eligible Investments may include Eligible Investments for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee is the issuer or depository institution or provides services. Eligible Investments may not include obligations principally secured by real property.

**"Emerging Market Security"**: A security or obligation issued by a sovereign or non-sovereign issuer located in a country (excluding the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Netherlands Antilles, and the Channel Islands):

- (i) that is in Latin America, Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, or the Caribbean, or
- (ii) the long-term foreign currency debt obligations of which are rated below "Aa2" or "Aa2" and on credit watch with negative implications by Moody's or the foreign currency issuer credit rating of which is below "AA" by S&P.

**"ERISA"**: The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended.

**"Established Securities Market"**: Any national securities exchange registered under Section 6 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or exempted from registration because of the limited volume of transaction; any foreign securities exchange that, under the laws of the jurisdiction where it is organized, satisfies regulatory requirements that are analogous to the regulatory requirements imposed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; any regional or local exchange; and any interdealer quotation system that regularly disseminates firm buy or sell quotations by identified brokers or dealers, by electronic means or otherwise.

**"Euroclear"**: Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear system.

**"Event of Default"**: The meaning specified in Section 5.1.

**"Excel Default Model Input File"**: An electronic spreadsheet file in Microsoft excel format to be provided to S&P, which file shall include the balance of Cash and Eligible Investments in each account and the following information (to the extent such information is not confidential) with respect to each Collateral Obligation:

- (a) the name and country of domicile of the issuer thereof and the particular obligation or security held by the Issuer,
- (b) the CUSIP or other applicable identification number associated with such Collateral Obligation,
- (c) the par value of such Collateral Obligation,
- (d) the type of obligation or security (including, by way of example, whether such Collateral Obligation is a bond, loan or asset-backed security), using such abbreviations as may be selected by the Trustee,

(e) a description of the index or other applicable benchmark upon which the interest payable on such Collateral Obligation is based (including, by way of example, fixed rate, step-up rate, zero coupon and LIBOR),

(f) the coupon (in the case of a Collateral Obligation which bears interest at a fixed rate) or the spread over the applicable index (in the case of a Collateral Obligation which bears interest at a floating rate),

(g) the S&P Industry Classification for such Collateral Obligation,

(h) the stated maturity date of such Collateral Obligation,

(i) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation or the issuer thereof, as applicable,

(j) the applicable S&P Priority Category, and

(k) such other information as the Trustee may determine to include in such file.

**"Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations"**: The Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations in excess of 7.5% of the Maximum Amount on the relevant Determination Date.

**"Exchange Act"**: The United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

**"Excluded Property"**: (i) U.S.\$1,000 (attributable to the issue and allotment of the Issuer Ordinary Shares) and a U.S.\$1,000 transaction fee paid to the Issuer, the bank account in which those amounts are credited in the Cayman Islands and any interest earned on those amounts, (ii) any amounts credited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account from time to time and (iii) any Margin Stock.

**"Expense Reimbursement Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(c).

**"Extended Replacement Period End Date"**: If an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Replacement Period End Date (or, in the case of the first Extension pursuant to Section 2.4, the Payment Date in May 2018); provided that the "Extended Replacement Period End Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in May, 2030.

**"Extended Scheduled Holding Preference Shares Redemption Date"**: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Scheduled Holding Preference Shares Redemption Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Scheduled Holding Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Payment Date in May 2026); provided that the "Extended Scheduled Holding Preference Shares Redemption Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in May 2038.

**"Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date"**: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Payment Date in May 2026); provided that the "Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in May 2038.

**"Extended Stated Maturity Date"**: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Stated Maturity Date (or, in the case of the first

Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Payment Date in May 2026); provided that the “Extended Stated Maturity Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in May 2038.

***"Extended Weighted Average Life Date"***: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Weighted Average Life Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Weighted Average Life Date, May 1, 2021); provided that the “Extended Weighted Average Life Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in May 2033.

***"Extension"***: An extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test pursuant to Section 2.4.

***"Extension Bonus Payment"***: With respect to each Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable beneficial owner set forth in Section 2.4(g), in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Class A-1 Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class A-2a Notes 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (3) in the case of the Class A-2b Notes 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (4) in the case of the Class A-3 Notes 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (5) in the case of the Class B Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (6) in the case of the Class C Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date and (7) in the case of the Class D Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

***"Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification"***: With respect to each Maturity Extension and each beneficial owner of Notes other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such beneficial owner acceptable to the Issuer to the effect that it held Notes other than Extension Sale Securities on the applicable Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof in the case of the Notes and wire transfer instructions for the Extension Bonus Payment and any required documentation thereunder.

***"Extension Conditions"***: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

***"Extension Determination Date"***: The 8<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to each Extension Effective Date.

***"Extension Effective Date"***: If an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extension Effective Date (or, in the case of the first Extension Effective Date, the Payment Date in February 2012).

***"Extension Notice"***: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

***"Extension Purchase Price"***: The purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with each Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the applicable Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares and the Holding Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be, since the Closing Date would cause such Preference Shares or Holding

Preference Shares, as applicable, to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); provided, however, that if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, shall be zero.

**"Extension Qualifying Purchasers"**: The Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); provided that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Extension Sale Securities from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.4(c), "Extension Qualifying Purchasers" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Investors Corp. Placement Agent or any of their respective Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; provided, however, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Investors Corp. Placement Agent or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

**"Extension Sale Notice"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Sale Notice Period"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Sale Securities"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Face Amount"**: With respect to any Preference Share or Holding Preference Share, the amount set forth therein as the "face amount" thereof, which "face amount" shall be \$1,000 per Preference Share or Holding Preference Share.

**"Finance Lease"**: A lease agreement or other agreement entered into in connection with and evidencing a Leasing Finance Transaction.

**"Financial Asset"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(9) of the UCC.

**"Financing Statements"**: Financing statements relating to the Collateral naming the Issuer as debtor and the Trustee on behalf of the Secured Parties as secured party.

**"Fixed Amount"**: With respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser and each applicable Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period, the product of (i) the applicable Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Amount with respect to such CDS/TRS Purchaser, (ii) the applicable Fixed Rate with respect to such CDS/TRS Purchaser and (iii) a fraction the numerator of which is the actual number of days in such Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period and the denominator of which is 360.

**"Fixed Rate"**: With respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser, the spread over LIBOR of the Class of Notes held by such CDS/TRS Purchaser with respect to which such CDS/TRS Purchaser has entered into a credit default swap or a total return swap, as the case may be.

**"Fixed Rate Excess"**: As of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose numerator is the product of:

- (i) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date over the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, and

(ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date, and whose denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Fixed Rate Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Spread Excess were equal to zero.

**"Fixed Rate Obligation"**: Any Collateral Obligation that bears interest at a fixed rate.

**"Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Amount"**: With respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser for purposes of calculating the applicable CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes held by such CDS/TRS Purchaser as of the date of purchase of such Notes in an Amendment Buy-Out (in each case, after giving effect to any principal amounts paid to such CDS/TRS Purchaser on such date).

**"Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period"**: With respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser for purposes of calculating the applicable CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount, initially, the period from and including the date of purchase of such Notes in an Amendment Buy-Out to but excluding the immediately succeeding Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date; provided that the last Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period shall end on the August 2011 Payment Date.

**"Floating Rate Notes"**: The Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**"Floating Rate Obligation"**: Any Collateral Obligation that bears interest based on a floating rate index.

**"Form-Approved Synthetic Security"**: A Synthetic Security

(i) (A) each of the Reference Obligations of which satisfy the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and could be purchased by the Issuer without any required action by the Rating Agencies, without satisfaction of the Rating Condition or which the Rating Agencies have otherwise approved; or

(B) each of the Reference Obligations of which would satisfy clause (A) above but for the currency in which the Reference Obligation is payable and the Synthetic Security is payable in Dollars, does not provide for physical settlement, and does not expose the Issuer to Dollar currency risk;

(ii) the Synthetic Security Agreement of which conforms (but for the amount and timing of periodic payments, the name of the Reference Obligation, the notional amount, the effective date, the termination date, and other similar necessary changes) to a form that has been expressly identified and approved in writing in connection with a request under this Indenture by Moody's and S&P;

(iii) a copy of the Synthetic Security Agreement of which has been delivered to the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes and the Class A-2b Notes by the

Trustee at the expense of the Co-Issuers and upon being furnished with a copy of the same by the Servicer; and

(iv) that is with a counterparty with respect to which the Rating Condition has been satisfied by each of Moody's and S&P prior to the acquisition of any such Form-Approved Synthetic Security, and such approval has not been withdrawn.

Moody's or S&P may at any time, by notice to the Servicer, withdraw its approval of any such form. A withdrawal of approval shall have no effect on any Synthetic Security acquired, entered into, or committed to before the date on which the Servicer receives the notice of withdrawal.

**"FSA"**: The meaning specified in Section 14.3(d).

**"Funded Amount"**: With respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan at any time, the aggregate principal amount of advances or other extensions of credit made thereunder by the Issuer that are outstanding and have not been repaid at such time.

**"GAAP"**: The meaning specified in Section 6.3(j).

**"Global Notes"**: Any Regulation S Global Notes or Rule 144A Global Notes.

**"Grant"**: To grant, bargain, sell, warrant, alienate, remise, demise, release, convey, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge, create, and grant a security interest in and right of setoff against, deposit, set over, and confirm. A Grant of the Pledged Obligations, or of any other instrument, shall include all rights, powers, and options of the granting party thereunder, including the immediate continuing right to claim for, collect, receive, and receipt for principal and interest payments in respect of the Pledged Obligations, and all other monies payable thereunder, to give and receive notices and other communications, to make waivers or other agreements, to exercise all rights and options, to bring Proceedings in the name of the granting party or otherwise, and generally to do and receive anything that the granting party is or may be entitled to do or receive thereunder or with respect thereto.

**"Hedge Agreements"**: Collectively, all interest rate cap or interest rate swap agreements between the Issuer and any Hedge Counterparty, and any replacement agreement entered into pursuant to Section 15.2.

**"Hedge Counterparty"**: Any counterparty, to the extent that when the Issuer enters into any Hedge Agreement with such counterparty, such counterparty satisfies the requirements of Section 15.2(b) (subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency).

**"Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(d).

**"Hedge Termination Receipt"**: Any termination payment paid by the Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer upon any early termination of a Hedge Agreement with respect to which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**"HFP"**: Highland Financial Partners, L.P., an Affiliate of the Servicer.

**"High-Yield Bond"**: Any debt security, other than a Loan or a Structured Finance Obligation, that is either Registered or, if not Registered, (i) it is issued by an obligor that is not

resident in the United States, (ii) the payments on it are not subject to United States withholding tax and (iii) it is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**"Holder"**: Of any Note, the person whose name appears on the Indenture Register as the registered holder of the Note; of any Preference Share, the person whose name appears in the Preference Share register related thereto as the registered holder of such Preference Share; and of any Holding Security, the person whose name appears in the Holding Preference Share register related thereto as the registered holder of such Holding Security.

**"Holding Preference Share Documents"**: Investors Corp.'s memorandum and articles of association, the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the resolutions of Investors Corp.'s board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Holding Securities passed on or before the Closing Date.

**"Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return"**: With respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the "XIRR" function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for each distribution made to the Holders of the Holding Securities on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date, assuming all Holding Preference Shares are purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount.

**"Holding Preference Shares"**: Preference shares issued by Investors Corp. pursuant to the Holding Preference Share Documents. For the avoidance of doubt, (A) all references in this Indenture to the "Holding Preference Shares" include the "Holding Preference Share Component" of the Class P Securities and (B) all references in this Indenture to the rights of the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares (including with respect to any payments, distributions, redemptions, votes or consents to be given by such Holders) include the rights of the Holders of the Class P Securities to the extent of the Holding Preference Share Component of the Class P Securities.

**"Holding Preference Shares Component"**: The component of the Class P Securities consisting of Holding Preference Shares.

**"Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement"**: The Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, by and between Investors Corp. and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

**"Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent"**: Investors Bank & Trust Company, in its capacity as holding preference shares paying agent under the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the holding preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter "Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent" shall mean such successor Person.

**"Holding Securities"**: Collectively, the Holding Preference Shares and the Class P Securities.

**"Holding Share Registrar"**: Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited or any successor thereto.

**"Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice":** A notice substantially in the form of Exhibit G-2.

**"Indenture":** This instrument as originally executed and, if from time to time supplemented or amended by one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture entered into pursuant to this Indenture, as so supplemented or amended.

**"Indenture Register":** The meaning specified in Section 2.6(a).

**"Indenture Registrar":** The meaning specified in Section 2.6(a).

**"Independent":** As to any person, any other person (including, in the case of an accountant or lawyer, a firm of accountants or lawyers, and any member of the firm, or an investment bank and any member of the bank) who

(i) does not have and is not committed to acquire any material direct or any material indirect financial interest in the person or in any Affiliate of the person, and

(ii) is not connected with the person as an Officer, employee, promoter, underwriter, voting trustee, partner, director, or person performing similar functions.

"Independent" when used with respect to any accountant may include an accountant who audits the books of the person if in addition to satisfying the criteria above the accountant is independent with respect to the person within the meaning of Rule 101 of the Code of Ethics of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

Whenever any Independent person's opinion or certificate is to be furnished to the Trustee, the opinion or certificate shall state that the signer has read this definition and that the signer is Independent within the meaning of this Indenture.

**"Initial Consent Period":** The period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee mailed notice of a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2(b) to the Holders of Securities.

**"Initial Purchaser":** Citigroup Global Markets Inc.

**"Initial Rating":** The ratings by Moody's and S&P with respect to each Class of Notes provided in the table in Section 2.3(a).

**"Institutional Accredited Investor":** An institutional investor that is also an "accredited investor" as defined in Rule 501(a)(1), (2), (3) or (7) under Regulation D.

**"Insolvency Event":** With respect to any person, means that:

(i) an involuntary proceeding shall be commenced or an involuntary petition shall be filed seeking:

(A) liquidation, reorganization, or other relief in respect of the person or its debts, or of all or substantially all of its assets, under any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar law now or hereafter in effect, or



(B) the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, conservator, or similar official for the person or for all or substantially all of its assets,

and, in any such case, the proceeding or petition shall continue undismissed for 30 days; or an order or decree approving or ordering any of the foregoing shall be entered, or

(ii) the person shall:

(A) voluntarily commence any proceeding or file any petition seeking liquidation, reorganization, or other relief under any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar law now or hereafter in effect,

(B) consent to the institution of, or fail to contest in a timely and appropriate manner, any proceeding or petition described in clause (i) above,

(C) apply for or consent to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, or conservator or for all or substantially all of its assets,

(D) file an answer admitting the material allegations of a petition filed against it in any such proceeding, or

(E) make a general assignment for the benefit of creditors.

**"Insolvency Proceeding"**: The meaning specified in Section 16.4(b).

**"Instrument"**: The meaning specified in Section 9-102(a)(47) of the UCC.

**"Interest Coverage Ratio"**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by dividing:

(i) the sum of:

(A) the Interest Proceeds received or scheduled to be received with respect to the Due Period in which the Measurement Date occurs, minus

(B) amounts payable under clauses (1), (2), (3) and (4) of Section 11.1(a)(i) on the related Payment Date, by:

(ii) all accrued and unpaid interest on the specified Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to the Class, including any Deferred Interest on the related Payment Date.

For purposes of the Interest Coverage Ratio, only the amount of any interest payment (including any "gross up" payment) on any Collateral Obligation in excess of any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction on any date of determination shall be included in Interest Proceeds.

**"Interest Coverage Test"**: A test the first Measurement Date for which will be on the second Payment Date and that is satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level in the table below for the specified Class:

<u>Test</u>	<u>Required Level</u>
Class A Interest Coverage Test	120.0%
Class B Interest Coverage Test	115.0%
Class C Interest Coverage Test	110.0%
Class D Interest Coverage Test	105.0%

**"Interest Period"**: Initially, the period from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the first Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date.

**"Interest Proceeds"**: With respect to any Due Period, the sum (without duplication) of all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period (or as otherwise specified below) by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are:

(i) payments of interest, fees, and commissions (excluding (A) Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal, (B) interest and dividends on Workout Assets, (C) fees and commissions from Defaulted Collateral Obligations, and (D) syndication and other up-front fees and any up-front fixed payments received in connection with entering into a Synthetic Security);

(ii) any portion of the Sale Proceeds of a Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) representing Accrued Interest On Sale;

(iii) all payments of principal on, or disposition proceeds from the sale of, Eligible Investments to the extent purchased with Interest Proceeds;

(iv) payments with respect to the Hedge Agreements received on or before the related Payment Date (other than any amount payable thereunder because of any early termination or notional amount reduction), but not any Sale Proceeds from any of these instruments (except to the extent that they were purchased with Interest Proceeds);

(v) all fees received pursuant to any Securities Lending Agreements;

(vi) amounts in the Collection Account designated for distribution as Interest Proceeds pursuant to the Priority of Payments (including any amount transferred from the Interest Reserve Account);

(vii) all earnings on amounts in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account and the Revolving Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.3(b);

(viii) amounts in the Expense Reimbursement Account on the Payment Date for the relevant Due Period; and

(ix) any recoveries (including interest) received on a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in excess of the principal balance of such Defaulted Collateral Obligation (as of the date the related Collateral Obligation became a Defaulted Collateral Obligation).

Interest Proceeds shall not include the Excluded Property and Interest Proceeds shall not include earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

Each reference in the definition of "Interest Proceeds" to a Collateral Obligation shall include a Collateral Obligation that has been loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and Interest Proceeds shall include any amounts referred to in clauses (i) through (iii) above received by the Issuer in respect of the Collateral Obligation indirectly from the related Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement.

With respect to any Payment Date, Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Interest Proceeds due and payable on such Payment Date to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date that are distributed to such Holders by way of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of Cash pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(i) will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds.

**"Interest Reserve Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(i).

**"Investment Company Act"**: The United States Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

**"Investors Corp."**: Eastland Investors Corp., an exempted limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands.

**"Investors Corp. Placement Agent"**: Citigroup Global Markets Inc.

**"Investors Corp. Subscription Agreement"**: A subscription agreement dated March 13, 2007 between Investors Corp. and the Issuer relating to the purchase of the Class I Preference Shares by Investors Corp.

**"Irish Paying Agent"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.2.

**"Issuer"**: The Person named as such on the first page of this Indenture.

**"Issuer Accounts"**: The meaning assigned in the Granting Clauses.

**"Issuer Order"** and **"Issuer Request"**: A written order or request dated and signed in the name of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp. by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp., as applicable, or by the Servicer by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

**"Issuer Ordinary Shares"**: The ordinary shares, par value \$1.00 per share, of the Issuer which have been issued by the Issuer and are outstanding from time to time.

**"Junior Class"**: With respect to a particular Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that is subordinated to that Class, as indicated in Section 13.1.

**"Leasing Finance Transaction"**: Any transaction pursuant to which the obligations of the lessee to pay rent or other amounts on a triple net basis under any lease of (or other arrangement conveying the right to use) real or personal property, or a combination thereof, are required to be classified and accounted for as a capital lease on a balance sheet of such lessee under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America; but only if (a) such lease or other transaction provides for the unconditional obligation of the lessee to pay a stated amount of principal no later than a stated maturity date, together with interest thereon, and the payment of such obligation is not subject to any material non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer, (b) the obligations of the lessee in respect of such lease or other transaction are fully secured, directly or

indirectly, by the property that is the subject of such lease and (c) the interest held by the Issuer in respect of such lease or other transaction is treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

**"LIBOR"**: The offered rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent for any Interest Period, for three month Dollar deposits that appears on Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page as reported on Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News (or a page that replaces Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), as of 11:00 A.M. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period.

If, on the second Business Day before the first day of any relevant Interest Period, that rate does not appear on Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page as reported on Bloomberg Financial Market Commodities News (or a page that replaces Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), the Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks to prime banks in the London interbank market for three month Dollar deposits in Europe, by reference to requests by the Calculation Agent to four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) (the **"Reference Banks"**) for quotations as of approximately 11:00 A.M. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the Interest Period. If at least two of the Reference Banks provide quotations as requested, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean. If fewer than two Reference Banks provide quotations, LIBOR shall be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that one or more leading banks in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) are quoting to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period for three month Dollar deposits.

If the Calculation Agent is unable to determine a rate in accordance with any of the above procedures, LIBOR for the Interest Period shall be calculated on the last day of the Interest Period and shall be the arithmetic mean of the rate of interest for each day during the Interest Period determined by the Calculation Agent as being the rate of interest most recently announced by the Bank at its New York office as its base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans (or if the Bank ceases to exist or is not quoting a base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans, another major money center commercial bank in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer)).

For the first Interest Period and, unless the Maturity Extension occurs, the last Interest Period, LIBOR shall be determined based on the actual number of days in the Interest Period using straight-line interpolation of two rates calculated in accordance with the above procedure, except that instead of using three month deposits, one rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next shorter than the Interest Period and the other rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next longer than the Interest Period. All calculations shall be calculated to at least four decimal places and rounded to four decimal places.

**"Loan"**: Any interest in a fully committed, senior secured, unsecured, or revolving loan (including loans involving credit linked deposits) that is acquired by assignment or by Participation (including any DIP Loan) that is either:

- (i) Registered, or
  - (ii) issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States:
    - (A) whose payments are not subject to United States withholding tax;
- and

(B) that is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**"Long-Dated Collateral Obligation":** Any Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturity of the Notes other than a Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturities of the Notes that includes a "put" option to its obligor at a price of at least par payable on or before the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

**"Majority":** With respect to any Class or group of Notes or the Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**"Margin Stock":** "Margin Stock" as defined under Regulation U issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, including any debt security that is by its terms convertible into Margin Stock, but does not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation received pursuant to an offer by an issuer of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**"Market Value":** As of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) based upon the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the lower of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the bid-side prices for the purchase of the Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer).

If a Market Value of any Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined in accordance with the procedures set out in the preceding paragraph for a period of 30 consecutive days then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero; provided that, during such 30 day period, such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to (a) the higher of (i) the S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate for such Collateral Obligation and the then current S&P Rating of the Class A-1 Notes and (ii) 70%, of the Principal Balance of such Collateral Obligation or (b) if the Servicer has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation is lower than the amount determined pursuant to clause (a), such amount to be determined by the Servicer in its commercially reasonable judgment; provided, further, that the maximum amount of Collateral Obligations having a Market Value assigned pursuant to the immediately preceding proviso shall be limited to 5.0% of the Maximum Amount (and any amount in excess of 5.0% of the Maximum Amount shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero). For the avoidance of doubt, the procedures set out in this paragraph shall not apply to determinations of Market Value of any Eligible Equity Securities.

The Servicer is under no obligation to determine the Market Value of the Collateral Obligations other than as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or this Indenture or to comply with any of its duties as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or in this Indenture.

**"Market Value Determination Date":** With respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities, one Business Day prior to the date of the notice distributed by the Issuer to the Holders of the Preference Shares in connection with such distribution.

**"Market Value Percentage"**: For any Collateral Obligation, the ratio obtained by dividing:

- (i) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation, *by*
- (ii) the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Maturity"**: With respect to any Note, the date on which the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable as provided in the Note or this Indenture, whether at the Stated Maturity or by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise.

**"Maturity Extension"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Maximum Amount"**: An amount equal to:

- (i) on any Measurement Date during the Ramp-Up Period, U.S.\$1,500,000,000; and
- (ii) on any Measurement Date after the Ramp-Up Completion Date:
  - (A) the aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations plus the aggregate outstanding principal amount of any Defaulted Collateral Obligations, *plus*
  - (B) Cash representing Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account, *plus*
  - (C) Eligible Investments (other than Cash) purchased by the Issuer with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account.

**"Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor"**: As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the sum of (i) the number set forth in the column entitled "Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable) plus (ii) the Recovery Rate Modifier.

**"Measurement Date"**: Any date:

- (i) on which the Issuer commits to acquire or dispose of any Collateral Obligation;
  - (ii) on which a Collateral Obligation becomes a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
  - (iii) that is a Determination Date;
  - (iv) that is the Ramp-Up Completion Date;
  - (v) that is the date as of which the information in a Monthly Report is calculated pursuant to Section 10.6; and,
- with respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities only,
- (vi) that is a Market Value Determination Date.

**"Memorandum and Articles of Association"**: The memorandum and articles of association of the Issuer, as amended and restated before the Closing Date or in accordance with this Indenture.

**"Merging Entity"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.10.

**"Minimum Diversity Score"**: As of any Measurement Date, a score equal to the number set forth in the column entitled "Minimum Diversity Score" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**"Minimum Weighted Average Spread"**: As of any Measurement Date, the spread equal to the percentage set forth in the row entitled "Minimum Weighted Average Spread" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**"Monthly Determination Date"**: The meaning specified in Section 10.6(a).

**"Monthly Report"**: The meaning specified in Section 10.6(a).

**"Moody's"**: Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

**"Moody's Default Probability Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Moody's Group I Country"**: Any of the following countries: Australia, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group I Country.

**"Moody's Group II Country"**: Any of the following countries: Germany, Ireland, Sweden, Switzerland and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group II Country.

**"Moody's Group III Country"**: Any of the following countries: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, Spain and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group III Country.

**"Moody's Industry Classification"**: The industry classifications in Schedule 2 as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by Moody's.

**"Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate"**: As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the number obtained by

(i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate,

(ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations, and

(iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

**"Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan"**: Any Loan that is not a Moody's Senior Secured Loan.

**"Moody's Obligation Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Moody's Priority Category":** Each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix" as a "Moody's Priority Category."

**"Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate":** For any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix" opposite the Moody's Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix":**

<b>Moody's Priority Category</b>	<b>Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Synthetic Securities .....	In the case of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to the Form-Approved Synthetic Security at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security by Moody's, and</li> <li>(ii) any other Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to the Synthetic Security at the time of acquisition of the Synthetic Security.</li> </ul>
Structured Finance Obligations .....	The Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the Moody's Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 5</u> by reference to the type of asset and its then Moody's Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that schedule does not apply, on a case-by-case basis in connection with the Grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
unsecured DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligations not covered above or below .....	As determined by Moody's on a case-by-case basis.

For High-Yield Bonds, Moody's Senior Secured Loans and Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is the rate determined pursuant to the table below based on the number of rating subcategories difference between the High-Yield Bond's or Loan's Moody's Obligation Rating and its Moody's Default Probability Rating (for purposes of clarification, if the Moody's Obligation Rating is higher than the Moody's Default Probability Rating, the rating subcategories difference will be positive and if it is lower, negative):

<b>Number of Moody's Rating Subcategories Difference Between the Moody's Obligation Rating and the Moody's Default Probability Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>High-Yield Bonds</b>
+2 or more	60.0%	45.0%	40.0%
+1	50.0%	42.5%	35.0%
0	45.0%	40.0%	30.0%
-1	40.0%	30.0%	15.0%
-2	30.0%	15.0%	10.0%
-3 or less	20.0%	10.0%	2.0%

If no Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate has been specifically assigned with respect to a Loan pursuant to the above table, and the Loan is a secured DIP Loan, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is 50.0%.



**"Moody's Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Moody's Rating Factor"**: The number in the table below opposite the rating of the Collateral Obligation (excluding Synthetic Securities where an Assigned Moody's Rating is not available).

<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>	<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>
Aaa	1	Ba1	940
Aa1	10	Ba2	1350
Aa2	20	Ba3	1766
Aa3	40	B1	2220
A1	70	B2	2720
A2	120	B3	3490
A3	180	Caa1	4770
Baa1	260	Caa2	6500
Baa2	360	Caa3	8070
Baa3	610	Ca or lower	10000

The Moody's Rating Factor for Collateral Obligations that are Synthetic Securities shall be determined by Moody's and obtained by the Issuer or the Servicer on a case-by-case basis, unless there is an Assigned Moody's Rating available for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, in which case such Assigned Moody's Rating shall be used to compute the Moody's Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security.

The Moody's Rating Factor for any Collateral Obligation that is a Structured Finance Security shall be equal to:  $\frac{A \times 55\%}{1 - B}$ ,

where: "A" means the number determined with respect to such Collateral Obligation pursuant to the table above; and

"B" means the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Senior Secured Loan"**:

(a) a Loan that:

(i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan,

(ii) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan, and

(iii) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal seniority secured by a first lien or security interest in the same collateral, or

(b) a Loan that:

(i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan, other than, with respect to a Loan described in clause (a) above, with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such loan,

(ii) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan,

(iii) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by a first or second lien or security interest in the same collateral, and

(iv) has been assigned a Moody's Obligation Rating equal to or higher than the applicable Moody's Default Probability Rating, and

(c) the Loan is not: (i) a DIP Loan, (ii) a Loan for which the security interest or lien (or the validity or effectiveness thereof) in substantially all of its collateral attaches, becomes effective, or otherwise "springs" into existence after the origination thereof, or (iii) a type of loan that Moody's has identified as having unusual terms and with respect to which its Moody's Recovery Rate has been or is to be determined on a case-by-case basis.

**"Non-Call Period"**: The period from the Closing Date to but not including the Payment Date in August 2011.

**"Non-Consenting Holder"**: With respect to any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, any Holder or, in the case of Securities represented by Global Notes, any beneficial owner, that either (i) has delivered to the Trustee a written notice that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) had not consented to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

**"Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder"**: With respect to any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, any Holder of Holding Securities that either (i) has directed Investors Corp. not to consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) has not provided Investors Corp. with any direction with respect to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

**"Non-Performing Collateral Obligation"**: Any Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any PIK Security as to which its issuer or obligor has previously deferred or capitalized any interest due on it and all the interest so deferred or capitalized has not subsequently been paid in full in cash by:

(i) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above, the earlier of its second payment date or one year following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it, or

(ii) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "Baa3", or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "BBB-", the earlier of its first payment date or six months following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it.

**"Non-Permitted Holder"**: (a) With respect to the Global Notes, a Holder or beneficial owner of an interest in a Global Note that is a U.S. person and (i) not a QIB/QP and that becomes the beneficial owner of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note or (ii) does not have an exemption available under the Securities Act and (b) with respect to the Class D Notes, a Holder or beneficial owner of an interest in a Class D Note that is not a QIB/QP (except that, solely with respect to a Holder purchasing Class D Notes on the Closing Date, such Holder shall not be a Non-Permitted Holder so long as it is an Institutional Accredited Investor ).

**"Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor"**: The meaning specified in the second paragraph of Section 2.6(c).

**"Non-qualifying Collateral Obligation"**: The meaning specified in Section 12.1(d).

**"Note Break-Even Loss Rate"**: With respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the maximum percentage of defaults that the Current Portfolio or Proposed Portfolio can sustain and nevertheless sufficient funds will remain for the payment of principal of the Class of Notes in full by its Stated Maturity and the timely payment of interest on the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes and the Class A-3 Notes and the ultimate payment of interest on the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes using S&P's assumptions on recoveries, defaults, and timing, and taking into account the Priority of Payments and the adjusted Weighted Average Spread level specified in the applicable row of the table below. The adjusted Weighted Average Spread as of any Measurement Date is the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date minus the amount of any Spread Excess added to the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon as of the Measurement Date.

Row	Adjusted Weighted Average Spread
1	Greater than or equal to 3.00%
2	Greater than or equal to 2.90% but less than 3.00%
3	Greater than or equal to 2.80% but less than 2.90%
4	Greater than or equal to 2.70% but less than 2.80%
5	Greater than or equal to 2.60% but less than 2.70%
6	Greater than or equal to 2.50% but less than 2.60%
7	Greater than or equal to 2.40% but less than 2.50%
8	Greater than or equal to 2.30% but less than 2.40%
9	Greater than or equal to 2.20% but less than 2.30%

**"Note Class Loss Differential"**: With respect to any Measurement Date and any Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the rate calculated by subtracting the Class Scenario Loss Rate for the Class from the then-applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate for the Class of Notes.

**"Noteholder"**: A Holder of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes.

**"Note Interest Rate"**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate payable on the Notes of the Class with respect to each Interest Period equal to LIBOR for Eurodollar deposits for the applicable Interest Period plus the spread specified in the "Interest Rate" rows of the tables in Section 2.3 with respect to such Notes except in the first Interest Period.

**"Note Payment Sequence"**: The application of funds in the following order:

- (1) to the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes *pro rata* in proportion to the respective amounts then due on each such Class until the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes have been fully redeemed (provided that amounts allocated to the Class A-2 Notes shall be paid, first, to the Class A-2a Notes and, second, to the Class A-2b Notes);
- (2) to the Class A-3 Notes until the Class A-3 Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (3) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest and any Deferred Interest and interest thereon on the Class B Notes;
- (4) to the Class B Notes until the Class B Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (5) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest and any Deferred Interest and interest thereon on the Class C Notes;
- (6) to the Class C Notes until the Class C Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (7) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest and any Deferred Interest and interest thereon on the Class D Notes; and
- (8) to the Class D Notes until the Class D Notes have been fully redeemed.

**"Notes"**: The Senior Notes and the Class D Notes authorized by, and authenticated and delivered under, this Indenture or any supplemental indenture.

**"Notice of Refinancing"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

**"Objection Cut-Off Date"**: The meaning specified in Section 15.1(h)(ii).

**"Offer"**: The meaning specified in Section 10.7(c).

**"Offering"**: The offering of the Notes.

**"Offering Memorandum"**: The final offering memorandum, dated March 9, 2007, prepared and delivered in connection with the offer and sale of the Securities.

**"Officer"**: With respect to the Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the

Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to the Co-Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to any partnership, any of its general partners; and with respect to the Trustee, any Trust Officer.

**"Opinion of Counsel"**: A written opinion addressed to the Trustee and each Rating Agency, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and each Rating Agency, of an attorney at law (or law firm with one or more partners) reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and admitted to practice before the highest court of any state of the United States or the District of Columbia (or the Cayman Islands, in the case of an opinion relating to the laws of the Cayman Islands), which attorney (or law firm) may, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, be counsel for the Servicer, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. Whenever an Opinion of Counsel is required under this Indenture, the Opinion of Counsel may rely on opinions of other counsel who are so admitted and so satisfactory, which opinions of other counsel shall accompany the Opinion of Counsel and shall either be addressed to the Trustee and each Rating Agency or shall state that the Trustee and each Rating Agency may rely on it. An Opinion of Counsel may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion.

**"Optional Redemption"**: A redemption of the Notes in accordance with Section 9.2.

**"Other Indebtedness"**: The meaning specified in the definition of "Defaulted Collateral Obligation."

**"Outstanding"**: With respect to:

(a) the Notes or any specified Class, as of any date of determination, all of the Notes or all of the Notes of the specified Class, as the case may be, theretofore authenticated and delivered under this Indenture, except with respect to Notes:

(i) Notes canceled by the Indenture Registrar or delivered to the Indenture Registrar for cancellation;

(ii) Notes for whose payment or redemption funds in the necessary amount have been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for their Holders pursuant to Section 4.1(a)(ii) and if the Notes are to be redeemed, notice of redemption has been duly given pursuant to this Indenture;

(iii) Notes in exchange for or in lieu of which other Notes have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to this Indenture; or

(iv) Notes alleged to have been destroyed, lost, or stolen for which replacement Notes have been issued as provided in Section 2.7, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Notes are held by a protected purchaser;

(b) the Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Preference Share Documents and listed in the Preference Share register of the Issuer as outstanding;

(c) the Holding Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Holding Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Holding Preference Share Documents and listed in the Holding Preference Share register of Investors Corp. as outstanding; and

(d) the Class P Securities, as of any date of determination, all of the Class P Securities theretofore issued under the Holding Preference Share Documents and listed in the Class P Security register of Investors Corp. as outstanding;

provided that, in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Transaction Securities have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver under the Transaction Documents, Transaction Securities owned or beneficially owned by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, any Affiliate of either of them and, with respect to any matter affecting its status as Servicer or appointment of a replacement Servicer or relating to an acceleration of any Class of Notes if the effect of the Servicer's action or inaction as a Holder of Transaction Securities would effectively prevent acceleration, the Servicer, its Affiliates and any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (other than, with respect to Notes or Class II Preference Shares, HFP or any of its subsidiaries; provided that, with respect to the voting authority of Notes or Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) shall be disregarded and not be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver, only Securities that a Trust Officer of the Trustee (or with respect to the Preference Shares, Holding Preference Shares and Class P Securities, only Preference Shares, Holding Preference Shares and Class P Securities that an authorized officer of the Preference Shares Paying Agent or Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable) has actual knowledge to be so owned or beneficially owned shall be so disregarded. Transaction Securities so owned or beneficially owned that have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, the pledgee's right so to act with respect to the Transaction Securities and that the pledgee is independent from the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent.

**"Overcollateralization Ratio"**: With respect to any Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by *dividing*:

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator; by
- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it (excluding any Deferred Interest on the Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it).

**"Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator"**: On any date, the sum of:

(1) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (other than any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, any Deep Discount Obligations, and any Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an "event of default" (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing); *plus*

(2) unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal (excluding any unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal in respect of Non-Performing Collateral Obligations); *plus*

(3) the Aggregate Principal Balance of any Eligible Investments that were purchased with Principal Proceeds and the amount of Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*

(4) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Eligible Investments on deposit in a Securities Lending Account that relate to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an "event of default" (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing; *plus*

(5) with respect to Collateral Obligations that are Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, Deep Discount Obligations or Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, the amount determined by using one of the following methods applicable to such type of Collateral Obligation; provided that if a Collateral Obligation falls within more than one of such types, the Issuer will be required to use the method that results in the smallest amount:

(A) with respect to any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, an amount equal to the product of (i) the CCC+/Caa1 Excess Market Value Percentage, multiplied by (ii) the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations;

(B) with respect to any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, the aggregate of the Applicable Collateral Obligation Amounts for all included Non-Performing Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations that have been held by the Issuer for more than three years, which shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this clause (B)); and

(C) with respect to any Deep Discount Obligations, the Aggregate Purchase Price Amount for all Deep Discount Obligations.

As used in this definition, "***Applicable Collateral Obligation Amount***" for any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation means:

(a) the lesser of:

(x) the Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation; and

(y) the Applicable Percentage for the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation;

multiplied by:

(b) if the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation is:

(1) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (2) through (4) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;

(2) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;

(3) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and

(4) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

As used in the calculation of Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation, the Principal Balance of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall be, if the Defaulted Collateral Obligation is:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (ii) through (iv) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and
- (iv) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

**"Overcollateralization Test":** A test that is satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes if, as of any Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the required level for the specified Class indicated in the table below:

<u>Test</u>	<u>Required Level</u>
Class A Overcollateralization Test	113.0%
Class B Overcollateralization Test	108.1%
Class C Overcollateralization Test	105.5%
Class D Overcollateralization Test	102.5%

**"Participating Institution":** An institution that creates a participation interest and that has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" (and if so rated by Moody's such rating is not on watch for possible downgrade) and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A".

**"Participation":** A Loan acquired as a participation interest created by a Participating Institution.

**"Paying Agent":** Any Person authorized by the Issuer to pay the principal of or interest on any Notes on behalf of the Issuer as specified in Section 7.2.

**"Payment Account":** The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(h).

**"Payment Date":** The first day of February, May, August and November in each year, commencing in August 2007 or, if any such day is not a Business Day, the next following Business Day, any other date on which the Notes are redeemed or paid before their Stated Maturity, and at the Stated Maturity for the Notes.

**"Permitted Offer":** An Offer pursuant to which the offeror offers to acquire a debt obligation (including a Collateral Obligation) in exchange solely for cash in an amount equal to or greater than the full face amount of the debt obligation plus any accrued and unpaid interest and as



to which the Servicer has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the offeror has sufficient access to financing to consummate the Offer.

**"Person"**: An individual, corporation (including a business trust), partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust (including any beneficiary thereof), unincorporated association or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

**"PIK Cash-Pay Interest"**: As to any PIK Security, the portion of interest required to be paid in cash (and not permitted to be added to the balance of such PIK Security or otherwise deferred and accrued) thereon pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments.

**"PIK Security"**: Any loan or debt obligation on which any portion of the interest accrued for a specified period of time or until the maturity thereof is, or at the option of the obligor may be, added to the principal balance of such loan or debt obligation or otherwise deferred rather than being paid in cash, provided that such loan or debt obligation shall not be a PIK Security if the portion, if any, of such interest required pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments to be paid in Cash would result in the outstanding principal amount of such loan or debt obligation having an effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest at least equal to (i) if such loan or debt obligation is a fixed rate loan or debt obligation, 4% per annum, or (ii) if such loan or debt obligation is a floating rate loan or debt obligation, LIBOR.

**"Placement Agency Agreement"**: A placement agency agreement dated March 13, 2007 between the Issuer and the Placement Agent, relating to the placement of the Class II Preference Shares, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Placement Agent"**: Citigroup Global Markets Inc.

**"Plan Asset Regulation"**: The regulation issued by the United States Department of Labor and found at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101.

**"Pledged Obligations"**: As of any date of determination, the Collateral Obligations, the Workout Assets, the Eligible Investments, and any other securities or obligations that have been Granted to the Trustee that form part of the Collateral.

**"Portfolio Improvement Exchange"**: The disposition, during the Replacement Period, of a Collateral Obligation and corresponding acquisition of one or more Collateral Obligations which in the aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Test, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied (or bring the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations closer to compliance with any such test or limitation) or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith would be improved and (ii) improving, on a net basis, the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test and Concentration Limitations and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased.

**"Pre-Closing Party"**: One or more Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser that financed the Issuer's pre-closing acquisition of Collateral Obligations through the purchase of participations therein.

**"Preference Share Distribution Account":** A segregated bank account established by the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deposit all amounts received from the Issuer and payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares under the Priority of Payments.

**"Preference Share Documents":** The Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the resolutions of the Issuer's board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

**"Preference Share Internal Rate of Return":** With respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the "XIRR" function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for the following cash flows, assuming all Preference Shares are purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount:

(i) each distribution of Interest Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date and

(ii) each distribution of Principal Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date.

**"Preference Shares":** The Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares.

**"Preference Shares Notional Amount":** As of the Closing Date, \$123,500,000, thereafter as increased each time additional Preference Shares are issued in accordance with the Preference Share Documents.

**"Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement":** The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, by and between the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

**"Preference Shares Paying Agent":** Investors Bank & Trust Company, in its capacity as Preference Shares Paying Agent under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter "Preference Shares Paying Agent" shall mean such successor Person.

**"Principal Balance":** With respect to:

(i) any Pledged Obligation other than those specifically covered in this definition, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;

(ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;

(iii) any Pledged Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest, zero, except as otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture;

(iv) any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, except as otherwise provided, zero;

(v) any Collateral Obligation that has been loaned, its Principal Balance shall be reduced by the excess of the amount of collateral required over the actual Market Value of the collateral;

(vi) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance shall include any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount), except as otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture;

(vii) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance shall not include any principal amount of the PIK Security representing previously deferred or capitalized interest; and

(viii) any obligation or security that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, zero.

**"Principal Proceeds"**: With respect to any Due Period, all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are not Interest Proceeds.

Principal Proceeds shall include any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account into the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.2.

Principal Proceeds do not include the Excluded Property or earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

At any time when an "event of default" under a Securities Lending Agreement has occurred and is continuing, any payments received by the Issuer from the related Securities Lending Collateral shall be Principal Proceeds.

**"Priority Class"**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that ranks senior to that Class, as indicated in Section 13.1.

**"Priority of Payments"**: The meaning specified in Section 11.1(a).

**"Proceeding"**: Any suit in equity, action at law, or other judicial or administrative proceeding.

**"Proposed Portfolio"**: As of any Measurement Date, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations and Principal Proceeds held as Cash on deposit in the Collection Account and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account resulting from the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or a proposed purchase of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**"Purchase Agreement"**: A purchase agreement dated March 13, 2007 among the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchaser, relating to the Notes, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance"**: For any Collateral Obligation other than Deep Discount Obligations, its Principal Balance; and for any Deep Discount Obligation its Purchase Price; provided, however, that if any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations exist, the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance for the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations shall be the lower of (i) the weighted average Market Value of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, expressed as a

percentage of their outstanding principal balances and (ii) the product of (a) 70% and (b) their respective Principal Balance.

**"Purchase Price":** With respect to the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (other than any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation), the net purchase price paid by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation. The net purchase price is determined by subtracting from the purchase price the amount of any Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal and any syndication and other upfront fees paid to the Issuer and by adding the amount of any related transaction costs (including assignment fees) paid by the Issuer to the seller of the Collateral Obligation or its agent.

**"Purchase Price Amount":** With respect to any Collateral Obligation on any date of determination, the product of (i) the Purchase Price (stated as a percentage) thereof and (ii) the Principal Balance thereof on such date.

**"QIB/QP":** Any Person that, at the time of its acquisition of Notes is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser.

**"Qualified Equity Security":** Any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that is stock or evidence of an interest in or a right to buy stock, or any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation but whose acquisition otherwise is a transaction in stocks or securities within the meaning of Section 864(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Code and the regulations under the Code. Qualified Equity Securities do not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation and that will cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in or having income from a United States trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes by virtue of its ownership or disposition of the obligation (without regard to the Issuer's other activities).

**"Qualified Institutional Buyer":** The meaning specified in Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

**"Qualified Purchaser":** The meaning specified in Section 2(a)(51) of the Investment Company Act and Rule 2a51-2 under the Investment Company Act (including entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers).

**"Ramp-Up Completion Date":** The earlier of:

- (i) the Business Day after the 90<sup>th</sup> day after the Closing Date, and
- (ii) the first date on which the following conditions are satisfied:

(x) (A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least U.S.\$1,500,000,000 or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer with proceeds from the sale of the Notes (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be) equals at least U.S.\$1,500,000,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with

respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date); and

(y) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least U.S.\$1,500,000,000.

**"Ramp-Up Period":** The period from and including the Closing Date to and including the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

**"Rating Agency":** Each of Moody's and S&P or, with respect to Pledged Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or S&P ceases to provide rating services with respect to high yield debt securities, any other nationally recognized statistical rating organization selected by the Issuer and reasonably satisfactory to a Majority of each Class of Notes. If at any time Moody's ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of Moody's in this Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used. If at any time S&P ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of S&P in this Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and S&P published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used.

**"Rating Condition":** With respect to any Rating Agency and any action taken or to be taken under this Indenture, a condition that is satisfied when the Rating Agency has confirmed to the Servicer (as agent for the Issuer) in writing that no withdrawal, reduction, suspension, or other adverse action with respect to any then current rating by it (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes will occur as a result of the action. The Rating Condition with respect to any Rating Agency shall be satisfied for all purposes of this Indenture at any time when no Outstanding Notes are rated by it.

**"Rating Confirmation":** Confirmation in writing from each Rating Agency that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes.

**"Rating Confirmation Failure":** (i) a failure by the Issuer or the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) to obtain confirmation in writing from S&P that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn its Initial Rating of any Class of Notes and that it has not placed any Class of Notes on credit watch with negative implications, or (ii) receipt of a written notice from Moody's that it has reduced, suspended, or withdrawn its Initial Rating of any Class of Notes or that it has placed any Class of Notes on credit watch with negative implications, in each case, by the Business Day after the 29th day after the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

**"Ratings Matrix":** The "row/column combination" of the table below selected by the Servicer on the Closing Date to apply initially for purposes of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test. Thereafter, on notice to the Trustee, the Servicer may select a different row of the Ratings Matrix to apply, or may interpolate between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable, on a straight-line basis and round the results to two decimal points.

Minimum Weighted Average Spread	Minimum Diversity Score							
	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90
2.20%	2180	2225	2270	2315	2355	2390	2425	2450
2.30%	2225	2270	2315	2360	2405	2440	2475	2495
2.40%	2270	2315	2360	2405	2450	2485	2520	2545
2.50%	2315	2360	2405	2450	2495	2530	2565	2590
2.60%	2370	2415	2460	2505	2550	2585	2620	2645
2.70%	2425	2470	2515	2560	2605	2640	2675	2700
2.80%	2480	2525	2570	2615	2660	2695	2730	2755
2.90%	2535	2580	2625	2670	2715	2750	2785	2810
3.00%	2590	2635	2680	2725	2770	2805	2840	2865
Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor								

**"Recovery Rate Modifier"**: As of any Measurement Date, the lesser of 60 and the product of:

(i) (a) the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate minus the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test (but not less than zero) multiplied by (b) 100; and

(ii) 40.

**"Record Date"**: As to any Payment Date, the 15<sup>th</sup> day (whether or not a Business Day) before the Payment Date.

**"Redemption Date"**: Any Payment Date specified for an Optional Redemption of Notes pursuant to Section 9.2 or the redemption of a Class of Notes in connection with a Refinancing pursuant to Section 9.7.

**"Redemption Price"**: With respect to any Note and any Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) or any redemption by Refinancing pursuant to Section 9.7(a), an amount equal to:

- (i) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of the Note being redeemed, plus
- (ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest), plus
- (iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note, plus
- (iv) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

With respect to any Preference Share and any Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b), "Redemption Price" means (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the *pro*

*rata* portion for such Preference Share of the entire remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications pursuant to the Priority of Payments or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case, as specified in Section 9.2(b).

**"Reference Obligation"**: An obligation that would otherwise satisfy the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and on which a Synthetic Security is based; provided that no Reference Obligation shall be a Synthetic Security.

**"Refinancing"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

**"Refinancing Date"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

**"Refinancing Notes"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

**"Refinancing Price"**: With respect to any Class of Note that is subject to a Refinancing, an amount equal to the Redemption Price thereof.

**"Refinancing Proceeds"**: The proceeds from any refinancing permitted under this Indenture.

**"Reference Obligor"**: The obligor of a Reference Obligation.

**"Registered"**: With respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment, means that it is issued after July 18, 1984 and is in registered form within the meaning of Section 881(c)(2)(B)(i) of the Code and the United States Department of the Treasury ("Treasury") regulations promulgated thereunder.

**"Registered Office"**: The registered office of the Issuer, which shall be located outside of the United States.

**"Regulation D"**: Regulation D under the Securities Act.

**"Regulation S"**: Regulation S under the Securities Act.

**"Regulation S Global Note"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(b).

**"Relevant Obligation"**: For a Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security, and otherwise the Collateral Obligation.

**"Replacement Hedge"**: A replacement hedge agreement that qualifies to be a Hedge Agreement under this Indenture.

**"Replacement Period"**: The period from the Closing Date through and including the first to occur of:

(i) the Payment Date after the date that the Servicer notifies the Trustee, each Rating Agency, and the Administrator, in the sole discretion of the Servicer, that, in light of the composition of the Collateral, general market conditions, and other factors, the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations within the foreseeable future would either be impractical or not beneficial,

(ii) the Payment Date in May 2014 or, in the case of an Extension, the Extended Replacement Period End Date,

(iii) the Payment Date on which all Notes are to be optionally redeemed or an earlier date after notice of an Optional Redemption chosen by the Servicer to facilitate the liquidation of the Collateral for the Optional Redemption, and

(iv) the date on which the Replacement Period terminates or is terminated as a result of an Event of Default (subject to Section 5.2(c)).

**"Repository"**: The internet-based password protected electronic repository of transaction documents relating to privately offered and sold collateralized debt obligation securities located at "www.cdolibrary.com" operated by The Bond Market Association.

**"Required Redemption Percentage"**: With respect to (a) any Optional Redemption resulting from a Tax Event, the Holders of at least 66 $\frac{2}{3}$ % of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of any Affected Class or at least 66 $\frac{2}{3}$ % of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares and (b) any other Optional Redemption, a Majority of the Preference Shares.

**"Required Rating"**: The meaning specified in Section 15.2(b).

**"Retention Overcollateralization Ratio"**: As of any Measurement Date, the ratio obtained by dividing:

(i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator *by*

(ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes, excluding any Deferred Interest on any Class of Notes.

**"Retention Overcollateralization Test"**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date during the Replacement Period on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Retention Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 103.5%.

**"Revolving Loan"**: A Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation (in each case excluding any Delayed Drawdown Loan) that requires the Issuer to make future advances to (or for the account of) the borrower under its Underlying Instruments (including any letter of credit for which the Issuer is required to reimburse the issuing bank for under it). A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Revolving Loan for so long as its Commitment Amount is greater than zero.

**"Revolving Reserve Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(b).

**"Rule 3a-7"**: Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act.

**"Rule 144A"**: Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

**"Rule 144A Global Note"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(c).

**"Rule 144A Information"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.15.

**"S&P"**: Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc.



**"S&P CDO Monitor"**: A dynamic, analytical computer model developed by S&P (and as may be modified by S&P from time to time) and provided to the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator to be used to calculate the default frequency in terms of the amount of debt assumed to default as a percentage of the original principal amount of the Collateral Obligations consistent with a specified benchmark rating level based on certain assumptions and S&P's proprietary corporate default studies. For the purpose (and only for the purpose) of applying the S&P CDO Monitor to a portfolio of obligations, for each obligation in the portfolio, the rating of the obligation shall be its S&P Rating.

**"S&P CDO Monitor Test"**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive. The S&P CDO Monitor Test shall be considered to be improved if each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is at least equal to the corresponding Note Class Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio. The S&P CDO Monitor Test is not required to be satisfied or improved upon the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation and the application of the related Sale Proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations as provided in Section 12.1(a). For purposes of the S&P CDO Monitor Test,

- (i) the S&P Rating of any S&P Unrated DIP Loan shall be "CCC-" and
- (ii) the S&P Industry Classification for a Synthetic Security shall be that of the related Reference Obligation and not the Synthetic Security.

**"S&P Industry Classification"**: The S&P Industry Classifications in Schedule 3 as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by S&P.

**"S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate"**: For a Class of Notes, a rate, as of any Measurement Date, equal to the number obtained by

- (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate specified in the S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix for the S&P Priority Category of such Collateral Obligation under the S&P Rating that is the then current S&P Rating on such Class of Notes,
- (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations, and
- (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

**"S&P Priority Category"**: Each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of "S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix" as an "S&P Priority Category."

**"S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate"**: For any Collateral Obligation and a Class of Notes, the percentage specified in the definition of "S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix" opposite the S&P Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation under the S&P Rating that is the then current S&P Rating on such Class of Notes.

**"S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix":**

<b>S&amp;P Priority Category</b>	<b>S&amp;P Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>						
	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC
Senior Secured Loans.....	56%	60%	64%	67%	70%	70%	70%
Senior Unsecured Loans*.....	40%	42%	44%	46%	48%	48%	48%
Subordinated Lien Loans other than a DIP Loan* .....	22%	22%	22%	22%	22%	22%	22%
Senior Secured High- Yield Bonds.....	48%	49%	50%	51%	52%	52%	52%
Senior Unsecured High- Yield Bonds.....	38%	41%	42%	44%	45%	45%	45%
Subordinated High-Yield Bonds .....	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%
Structured Finance Obligations .....	The S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the definition of "S&P Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rate" by reference to the type of asset and its then current S&P Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that table does not apply, on a case by case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).						
Synthetic Securities .....	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation.						
DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligation not covered above.....	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis.						

\* In the case of Second Lien Loans, the first 15% in the portfolio should be treated as Senior Unsecured Loans and the excess over 15% as Subordinated Lien Loans.

**"S&P Rating":** The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"S&P Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rate":** For a Structured Finance Obligation and a Class of Notes, the percentage specified in the table set forth in Schedule 6 under the then current S&P Rating of such Class of Notes and across from the then current S&P Rating of such Structured Finance Obligation.

**"S&P Rating Confirmation":** Confirmation in writing from S&P that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes.

**"S&P Unrated DIP Loan":** A DIP Loan acquired by the Issuer that does not have a rating assigned by S&P and for which the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P (as specified in the definition of "DIP Loan").

**"Sale":** The meaning specified in Section 5.17.

**"Sale Proceeds":** All proceeds received (including any proceeds received with respect to any associated interest rate swap or security providing fixed annuity payments ) with respect to Collateral Obligations or other Pledged Obligations as a result of their sales or other dispositions less

any reasonable expenses expended by the Servicer or the Trustee in connection with the sales or other dispositions, which shall be paid from such proceeds notwithstanding their characterization otherwise as Administrative Expenses.

**"Schedule of Collateral Obligations"**: The Collateral Obligations listed on Schedule 1, which schedule shall include with respect to each listed Collateral Obligation:

- (A) the name of the obligor and a unique Loan or other instrument identifier;
- (B) the purchase price;
- (C) the Principal Balance;
- (D) the classification (including whether the Collateral Obligation is a Loan, a High-Yield Bond, a Synthetic Security, a Participation, a Structured Finance Obligation, a Revolving Loan or a Delayed Drawdown Loan);
- (E) the funded amount (stated as a percentage) in respect of a Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or a Delayed Drawdown Loan;
- (F) the coupon or spread (as applicable);
- (G) the Stated Maturity;
- (H) the Moody's Rating;
- (I) the S&P Rating; and
- (J) the CUSIP and any ISIN, if applicable,

as the schedule may be amended from time to time to reflect the release of Collateral Obligations pursuant to Article 10 and the inclusion of Collateral Obligations as provided in Section 12.2.

**"Scheduled Holding Preference Shares Redemption Date"**: May 1, 2022.

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**"Second Lien Loan"**: A Loan that (i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinated in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan other than a Senior Secured Loan with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such Loan and (ii) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest in or lien on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan, which specified collateral does not consist solely of common stock or shares issued by the obligor or any of its Affiliates or intangible assets.

**"Secondary Risk Counterparty"**: Any obligor Domiciled other than in the United States, any Participating Institution, any Synthetic Security Counterparty, and any Securities Lending Counterparty.

**"Secondary Risk Table":** The table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty		Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
Moody's	S&P		
Aaa	AAA	20.0%	20.0%
Aa1	AA+	10.0%	10.0%
Aa2	AA	10.0%	10.0%
Aa3	AA-	10.0%	10.0%
A1	A+	5.0%	10.0%
A2 or below	A or below	0.0%	0.0%

If any Secondary Risk Counterparty's long-term senior unsecured debt rating or short-term rating is on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P, then for the purposes of the table above, its rating by the Rating Agency putting its rating on credit watch shall be one rating notch lower for that Rating Agency.

**"Section 3(c)(7)":** Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act.

**"Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice":** A notice from the Issuer to the Noteholders (to be delivered in accordance with Sections 10.6(a) and (b)) substantially in the form of Exhibit G-1.

**"Secured High-Yield Bond":** A High-Yield Bond that is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**"Secured Loan":** A Loan that is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**"Secured Obligations":** The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Secured Parties":** The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Securities":** The Notes and the Preference Shares.

**"Securities Act":** The United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

**"Securities Intermediary":** Any clearing corporation or any Person, including a bank or broker, that in the ordinary course of its business maintains securities accounts for others and is acting in that capacity.

**"Securities Lending Account":** The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(f).

**"Securities Lending Agreements":** The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**"Securities Lending Collateral":** The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**"Securities Lending Counterparty":** The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**"Security Entitlement"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(17) of the UCC.

**"Selected Collateral Quality Tests"**: The Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Life Test (after taking into consideration any applicable Maturity Extension), the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the Diversity Test.

**"Senior Notes"**: The Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes authorized by, and authenticated and delivered under, this Indenture or any supplemental indenture.

**"Senior Secured High-Yield Bond"**: A Secured High-Yield Bond that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a first priority security interest in collateral that in the opinion of the Servicer has value at least equal to the amount of the High-Yield Bond.

**"Senior Secured Loan"**: A Secured Loan that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a first priority security interest in collateral that in the opinion of the Servicer has value at least equal to the amount of the Loan and that is not a DIP Loan.

**"Senior Servicing Fee"**: A fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.30% per annum of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Senior Servicing Fee shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

**"Senior Unsecured High-Yield Bond"**: A High-Yield Bond that is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**"Senior Unsecured Loan"**: A Loan that is not a Senior Secured Loan and is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**"Servicer"**: Highland Capital Management, L.P., and any successor Servicer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement.

**"Servicing Agreement"**: The Servicing Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Servicer, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Servicing Fee Portion"**: 100% minus (a) for any Payment Date from the Closing Date until (and including) the Payment Date in February 2008, the Class II Preference Share Percentage for such Payment Date and (b) for any other Payment Date, a percentage (between 0% and 100%) selected by the Servicer in its sole discretion and reported to the Trustee in writing on or before the related Determination Date.

**"Servicing Fees"**: Collectively, the Senior Servicing Fee, the Subordinated Servicing Fee and the Supplemental Servicing Fee.

**"Share Trustee"**: Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited.

**"Share Registrar"**: Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited or any successor thereto.

**"Special Redemption"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**"Special Redemption Amount"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**"Special Redemption Date"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**"Spread Excess"**: As of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose:

- (i) numerator is the product of:
  - (A) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date over the Minimum Weighted Average Spread specified in the applicable row of the Ratings Matrix, and
  - (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date, and
- (ii) denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Spread Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Fixed Rate Excess were equal to zero.

**"Stated Maturity"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation, the maturity date specified in it or the applicable Underlying Instrument (or, if earlier, the first date on which any Person may be required by the Issuer to repurchase the entire principal amount of the Collateral Obligation at or above par) and with respect to the Notes of any Class, May 1, 2022 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date. Unless otherwise specified, "Stated Maturity" means the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

**"Structured Finance Obligation"**: Any obligation (other than the Notes or any other security or obligation issued by the Issuer):

- (i) secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool of receivables or other assets of U.S. obligors, or obligors organized or incorporated in Moody's Group I Countries, Moody's Group II Countries, Moody's Group III Countries or Tax Advantaged Jurisdictions, including portfolio credit default swaps and collateralized debt obligations, but excludes:
  - (A) residential mortgage-backed securities;
  - (B) collateralized debt obligations backed by Emerging Market Securities;
  - (C) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by asset-backed securities;
  - (D) market value collateralized debt obligations;
  - (E) securities backed by "future flow" receivables;
  - (F) securities backed by "trust preferred securities;"

- (G) net interest margin securitizations;
- (H) collateralized debt obligations backed primarily by other collateralized debt obligations;
- (I) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by one or more credit default swaps (i.e. "synthetic CDOs"); and
- (J) collateralized debt obligations a significant portion of which are backed by bonds;
- (ii) that has an S&P Rating;
- (iii) that has a rating and a Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate assigned by Moody's; and
- (iv) whose ownership or disposition (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) by the Issuer will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

In connection with the purchase of a Structured Finance Obligation, the Servicer shall obtain from Moody's the applicable Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate.

For purposes of the Diversity Test, multiple Structured Finance Obligations from CDOs serviced by the same Servicer or multiple Structured Finance Obligations issued by the same master trust will be considered to be obligations of one issuer.

**"Subordinated High-Yield Bond"**: A Secured High-Yield Bond secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**"Subordinated Lien Loan"**: A Secured Loan (other than a Second Lien Loan) secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**"Subordinated Servicing Fee"**: An amount equal to the sum of (i) a fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.25% per annum of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments and (ii) on any Payment Date that any part of the Subordinated Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period plus 3.00% per annum. The portion of the Subordinated Servicing Fee in clauses (i) and (ii) above, as applicable, shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

**"Successor Entity"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.10.

**"Super Majority"**: With respect to any Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 66 $\frac{2}{3}$ % of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be; provided that with respect to the Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2a Notes and Class A-2b Notes voting together as the Controlling Class, "Super Majority" shall mean at least 60% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Controlling Class for so long as FSA is entitled to direct the vote of at least 60% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Controlling Class.

**"Supplemental Servicing Fee":** On each Payment Date, the fee payable to the Servicer in an amount equal to: (i) 20% of the remaining Interest Proceeds, if any, available after making the distributions on such Payment Date pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(i)(22) of the Priority of Payments and (ii) 20% of the remaining Principal Proceeds, if any, available for payment in respect of the Supplemental Servicing Fee pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(12)(A) of the Priority of Payments and, if applicable, Section 11.1(a)(ii)(15) of the Priority of Payments.

**"Synthetic Security":** Any swap transaction, structured bond, credit linked note or other derivative financial instrument providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a debt instrument (but excluding any such instrument relating directly to a basket or portfolio of debt instruments) or an index or indices (such as the "SAMI" index published by Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC) in connection with a basket or portfolio of debt instruments or other similar instruments entered into by the Issuer with a Synthetic Security Counterparty that has in the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment, equivalent expected loss characteristics (those characteristics, "*credit risk*") to those of the related Reference Obligations (taking account of those considerations as they relate to the Synthetic Security Counterparty), if (i) it is either a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied, and (ii) the Reference Obligations thereof have a Market Value equal to at least 85% of the Principal Balance of the Reference Obligation at the time the Synthetic Security is entered into.

The maturity, interest rate, and other non-credit characteristics of a Synthetic Security may be different from the Reference Obligations to which the credit risk of the Synthetic Security relates.

No Synthetic Security shall require the Issuer to make any payment to the Synthetic Security Counterparty after its initial purchase other than any payments represented by the release of any cash collateral posted by the Issuer from the Collection Account to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of the posted cash collateral. Collateral may be posted only to a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account. No Synthetic Security shall result in the Issuer being a "buyer" of credit protection.

The term Synthetic Security shall not include any Structured Finance Obligation or any Participation, but the Reference Obligation of a Synthetic Security may be a Structured Finance Obligation.

Each Synthetic Security Agreement shall contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those contained in this Indenture.

The ownership or disposition of any Synthetic Security (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) must not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

Unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" under any proposed Synthetic Security must not provide that its transfer to the Issuer is subject to obtaining any consents and must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation and satisfy the Concentration Limitations under this Indenture, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event" and if the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security is a Senior Secured Loan then the "deliverable obligation" under the Synthetic Security must also be a Senior Secured Loan.



No Synthetic Security may provide for any event other than bankruptcy or a failure to pay as a "credit event."

No Synthetic Security shall provide for termination by the Synthetic Security Counterparty at any time (i) after a declaration of acceleration of Maturity of the Notes has been made upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, unless such declaration and its consequences may no longer be rescinded and annulled in accordance with Section 5.2(c) and liquidation of the Collateral has begun or (ii) upon an Optional Redemption, unless the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date has passed and no notice of withdrawal has been issued.

For purposes of the Coverage Tests and the Retention Overcollateralization Test, unless the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied in respect of any proposed alternative treatment, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligation.

With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, for purposes of: (i) calculating compliance with the Diversity Test, the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test, and the Concentration Limitations (other than limits relating to payment characteristics and except for clauses 17 and 17(a) of the definition of "Concentration Limitations"), and all related definitions, and (ii) any other provision or definition of this Indenture involving a determination with respect to a Reference Obligation, the characteristics of such Reference Obligations shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each such Reference Obligation in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation. In addition, each Reference Obligation under such Synthetic Security shall be assigned a Moody's Rating Factor equal to the sum of the Moody's Rating Factor of (i) the related Reference Obligor, (ii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty of such Synthetic Security and (iii) the Synthetic Security Collateral of such Synthetic Security. In addition, the Moody's Priority Category Rate in respect of a Synthetic Security referencing multiple Reference Obligations pursuant to this paragraph shall be the Moody's Priority Category Rate as assigned by Moody's to each Reference Obligation underlying such Synthetic Security. For the avoidance of doubt, Reference Obligations upon which a Synthetic Security is based as described in this paragraph must meet the definition of "Collateral Obligation" to the extent provided in this definition.

If the Rating Condition must be satisfied to execute the purchase of any Synthetic Security, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall give each applicable Rating Agency not less than five days' prior notice of the purchase of or entry into any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Agreement"**: The documentation governing any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Collateral"**: With respect to any Synthetic Security, amounts posted to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account by the Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its obligations under the Synthetic Security, including (i) all Eligible Investments or (ii) floating rate credit card securitizations that are rated "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, in each case that mature no later than the Stated Maturity, in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account that are purchased with Synthetic Security Collateral.

**"Synthetic Security Collateral Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(e).

**"Synthetic Security Counterparty"**: An entity required to make payments on a Synthetic Security to the extent that a Reference Obligor makes payments on a related Reference Obligation.

**"Synthetic Security Counterparty Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.5.

**"Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction"**: One of the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the Netherlands Antilles or the tax advantaged jurisdiction of the Channel Islands, or such other jurisdiction that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto; provided that any Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction that is the jurisdiction of organization of an obligor of a Collateral Obligation other than obligors that are special purpose vehicles or issuers of Structured Finance Obligations shall have a Moody's foreign currency rating of at least "Aa2" and a S&P foreign currency rating of at least "AA-".

**"Tax Event"**: An event that occurs if either:

(i) (A) one or more Collateral Obligations that were not subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them have become subject to withholding tax (**"New Withholding Tax Obligations"**) or the rate of withholding has increased on one or more Collateral Obligations that were subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them (**"Increased Rate Withholding Tax Obligations"**) and (B) in any Due Period, the aggregate of the payments subject to withholding tax on New Withholding Tax Obligations and the increase in payments subject to withholding tax on Increased Rate Withholding Tax Obligations, in each case to the extent not "grossed-up" (on an after-tax basis) by the related obligor, represent 5% or more of Interest Proceeds for the Due Period;

(ii) taxes, fees, assessments, or other similar charges are imposed on the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in an aggregate amount in any twelve-month period in excess of U.S.\$2,000,000, other than any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax with respect to any payment owing in respect of any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation or Collateral Obligation; or

(iii) if the Issuer is at the time treated as a pass-through entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes, that investors in the Preference Shares who are non-U.S. persons not otherwise subject to U.S. net income tax are or have become subject to U.S. net income taxation in respect of income

of the Issuer in an amount in excess of 10.0% of the net income of the Issuer in any twelve-month period.

**"Tax Opinion of Counsel"**: A written opinion addressed to the Issuer (a copy of which will be provided to the Trustee) and, if requested, each Rating Agency that has made such request, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and each Rating Agency, issued by a nationally recognized law firm reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee, which law firm is experienced in the relevant areas of tax law, and which law firm may be counsel for the Servicer or the Issuer.

**"Transaction Documents"**: Collectively, this Indenture, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

**"Transaction Reports"**: The meaning specified in Section 14.4.

**"Transaction Securities"**: Collectively, the Securities and the Holding Securities.

**"Transfer Agent"**: The Person or Persons, which may be the Issuer, authorized by the Issuer to exchange or register the transfer of Notes.

**"Transferee Certificate"**: A certificate substantially in the form of, with respect to the Senior Notes, Exhibit B-1 or, with respect to the Class D Notes, Exhibit B-4 attached hereto, duly completed as appropriate.

**"Treasury Regulations"**: The regulations, including proposed or temporary regulations, promulgated under the Code. References herein to specific provisions of proposed or temporary regulations shall include analogous provisions of final Treasury Regulations or other successor Treasury Regulations.

**"Trust Officer"**: When used with respect to the Trustee, any officer in the Corporate Trust Office (or any successor group of the Trustee) including any director, vice president, assistant vice president, associate, or any other officer of the Trustee customarily performing functions similar to those performed by such officers in the Corporate Trust Office, or to whom any corporate trust matter is referred at the Corporate Trust Office because of his knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject and having direct responsibility for the administration of this Indenture.

**"Trustee"**: As defined in the first sentence of this Indenture.

**"UCC"**: The Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the State of New York, and as amended from time to time.

**"Uncertificated Security"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(18) of the UCC.

**"Underlying Instrument"**: The loan agreement, indenture, credit agreement, or other agreement pursuant to which a Pledged Obligation has been issued or created and each other agreement that governs the terms of or secures the obligations represented by the Pledged Obligation or of which the holders of the Pledged Obligation are the beneficiaries.

**"Unfunded Amount"**: With respect to any Revolving Loan or any Delayed Drawdown Loan at any time, the excess, if any, of (a) the Commitment Amount over (b) the Funded Amount thereof.

**"Unregistered Securities"**: The meaning specified in Section 5.17(c).

**"Unscheduled Principal Payments":** Any principal payments received with respect to a Collateral Obligation as a result of optional redemptions, exchange offers, tender offers, other payments or prepayments made at the option of the issuer thereof or that are otherwise not scheduled to be made thereunder.

**"U.S. Person":** A beneficial owner of a Security that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a citizen or individual resident of the United States of America, an entity treated for United States federal income tax purposes as a corporation or a partnership created or organized in or under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof or the District of Columbia, an estate the income of which is includable in gross income for U.S. federal income tax purposes regardless of its source, or a trust if, in general, a court within the United States of America is able to exercise primary supervision over its administration and one or more U.S. Persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of such trust, and certain eligible trusts that have elected to be treated as U.S. Persons.

**"Valuation Report":** The meaning specified in Section 10.6(b).

**"Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon":** As of any Measurement Date, the rate obtained by

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Fixed Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum rate at which it pays interest (other than, with respect to Collateral Obligations that are not PIK Securities, any interest that is not required to be paid in Cash and may be deferred), using only the effective after-tax interest rate determined by the Servicer on any Fixed Rate Obligation after taking into account any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction and any gross-up paid by the obligor),

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i),

(iii) dividing the sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations that are Fixed Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date, and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, adding to the sum the amount of any Spread Excess as of the Measurement Date, but only to the extent required to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test.

**"Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test":** A test that is satisfied if, as of any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 7.5%.

**"Weighted Average Life":** As of any Measurement Date, the number obtained by

(i) summing the products obtained by multiplying

(A) the Average Life at that time of each Collateral Obligation by

(B) the Principal Balance at that time of the Collateral Obligation and

(ii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance at that time of all Collateral Obligations.

**"Weighted Average Life Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the greater of (a) the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and May 1, 2017 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date and (b) 3 years.

**"Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor":** The summation of the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation (excluding Eligible Investments) by its respective Moody's Rating Factor, dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) and rounding the result up to the nearest whole number.

**"Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 43.2%.

**"Weighted Average Rating Factor Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of such Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor.

**"Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate for each Class of Notes is greater than or equal to: (i) with respect to the Class A-1 Notes, 52.4%; (ii) with respect to the Class A-2 Notes, 52.4%; (iii) with respect to the Class A-3 Notes, 56.0%; (iv) with respect to the Class B Notes, 59.6%; (v) with respect to the Class C Notes, 62.4% and (vi) with respect to the Class D Notes, 65.1%.

**"Weighted Average Spread":** As of any Measurement Date, a rate obtained by:

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Floating Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum contract spread at which it pays interest (which (x) for PIK Securities for which interest has been deferred or capitalized, will be deemed to be zero, (y) for Collateral Obligations that would be PIK Securities but for the proviso in the definition thereof, will be deemed to be equal to the effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest applicable thereto and (z) for any Revolving Loan or Delayed Draw Loan, will be the per annum contract spread for the Funded Amount thereof and the rate of the commitment fee and such other fees payable to the Issuer for any Unfunded Amount thereof), determined with respect to any Floating Rate Obligation that does not bear interest based on a London interbank offered rate, by expressing the current interest rate on the Floating Rate Obligation as a spread above a three month London interbank offered rate calculated in a manner consistent with the calculation of LIBOR,

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i),

(iii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date, and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to pass the Weighted Average Spread Test, adding to that sum the amount of Fixed Rate Excess as of the Measurement Date.

**"Weighted Average Spread Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread.

**"Workout Assets":** A Loan, High-Yield Bond, or Qualified Equity Security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation that the Issuer does not advance any funds to purchase that does not qualify as a Collateral Obligation.

**"Written-Down Obligation":** As of any date of determination, any Structured Finance Obligation as to which the Issuer or the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, has been notified by the issuer of the Structured Finance Obligation that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Structured Finance Obligation and all other Structured Finance Obligations secured by the same pool of collateral that rank *pari passu* with or senior in priority of payment to the Structured Finance Obligation exceeds the aggregate principal balance (including reserved interest or other amounts available for overcollateralization) of all collateral securing the Structured Finance Obligation and such other *pari passu* and senior Structured Finance Obligations (excluding defaulted collateral).

**"Zero-Coupon Security":** A security that, at the time of determination, does not make periodic payments of interest. A Zero-Coupon Security shall not include a security that is a PIK Security.

Section 1.2. ***Assumptions as to Pledged Obligations; Construction Conventions.***

This Section 1.2 shall be applied in connection with all calculations required to be made pursuant to this Indenture:

- with respect to the scheduled payment of principal or interest on any Pledged Obligation, or any payments on any other assets included in the Collateral,
- with respect to the sale of and acquisition of Collateral Obligations,
- with respect to the income that can be earned on the scheduled payment of principal or interest on the Pledged Obligations and on any other amounts that may be received for deposit in the Collection Account, and
- with respect to the treatment of Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement.

The provisions of this Section 1.2 shall be applicable to any determination or calculation that is covered by this Section 1.2, whether or not reference is specifically made to Section 1.2, unless some other method of calculation or determination is expressly specified in the particular provision.

(a) All calculations with respect to the scheduled payment of principal or interest on the Pledged Obligations shall be made on the basis of information as to the terms of each Pledged Obligation and on reports of payments received on the Pledged Obligation that are furnished by or on behalf of the issuer of the Pledged Obligation and, to the extent they are not manifestly in error, the information or report may be conclusively relied on in making the calculations.

(b) For each Due Period and as of any Measurement Date, the scheduled payment of principal or interest on any Pledged Obligation shall be the sum of

(i) the total amount of payments and collections reasonably expected to be received during the Due Period in respect of the Pledged Obligation that, if paid as scheduled, will be available for payment on the Notes and of certain expenses of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer in the Collection Account at the end of the Due Period; and

(ii) any such amounts received in prior Due Periods that were not disbursed on a previous Payment Date.

Except as provided in paragraph (h) below, a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation shall be assumed to have a scheduled payment of principal and interest of zero.

The total amount of payments and collections reasonably expected to be received includes the proceeds of the sale of the Pledged Obligation received and, in the case of sales which have not yet settled, to be received during the Due Period and not used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty, Securities Lending Counterparty, or Hedge Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security, Securities Lending Agreement, or Hedge Agreement) or Eligible Investments or retained in the Collection Account for subsequent application thereof to purchase additional Collateral Obligations pursuant to Section 12.2.

(c) For purposes of the applicable determinations required by Article 12 and the definition of "Interest Coverage Ratio," the expected interest on Collateral Obligations shall be calculated using their then current interest rates.

(d) With respect to any Collateral Obligation, the date on which it "matures" (or its "maturity" date) shall be the earlier of

(i) the stated maturity of the obligation or

(ii) if the Issuer has the right to require the issuer or obligor of the Collateral Obligation to purchase, redeem, or retire the Collateral Obligation at a price of at least par on any one or more dates before its Stated Maturity (a "put right") and the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that it will cause the Issuer to direct the Trustee to exercise the put right on a date, the maturity date shall be the date specified in the certification.

(e) For purposes of calculating compliance with the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), the Coverage Tests, and the Retention Overcollateralization Test and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the Reference Obligation. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limits other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligations.

(f) Any Collateral Obligation loaned to a Securities Lending Counterparty shall be included in the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests, and the Retention Overcollateralization Test and the Principal Balance of any Collateral Obligation loaned to a Securities Lending Counterparty shall be included in the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations, in each case unless an "event of default" (under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing.

(g) If a Class of Notes ceases to be Outstanding, then any Coverage Test computed by reference to the Class of Notes (but not to any subordinate Class of Notes then Outstanding) shall cease to be of any force.

(h) For purposes of calculating compliance with the Eligibility Criteria (other than the Weighted Average Life Test), at the direction of the Servicer by notice to the Trustee, during the Replacement Period any Eligible Investment representing Principal Proceeds received upon the maturity, redemption, sale, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation (or, after the Replacement Period, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations) shall be deemed to have the characteristics of the disposed Collateral Obligation until used to purchase an additional Collateral Obligation. The calculations shall be based on the Principal Balance of the disposed Collateral Obligations except in the case of Defaulted Collateral Obligations and Credit Risk Securities, in which case the calculations will be based on the Principal Proceeds received on the disposition or sale of the Defaulted Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation.

(i) The calculation on any Coverage Test on any Determination Date shall be made by giving effect to all payments to be made pursuant to all subclauses of the Priority of Payments as applicable, payable on the Payment Date following such Determination Date. In addition no Principal Proceeds will be used to pay a subordinated Class on a Payment Date if, after giving effect to such payment, any Coverage Test of a more senior Class of Notes is failing on such Payment Date or would fail as a result of such application of the Principal Proceeds on such Payment Date.

### Section 1.3. ***Rules of Interpretation.***

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture or unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

(a) Defined terms include, as appropriate, all genders and the plural as well as the singular.

(b) References to designated articles, sections, subsections, exhibits, and other subdivisions of this Indenture, such as "Section 6.13 (a)", refer to the designated article, section, subsection, exhibit, or other subdivision of this Indenture as a whole and to all subdivisions of the designated article, section, subsection, exhibit, or other subdivision. The words "herein", "hereof", "hereto", "hereunder" and other words of similar import refer to this Indenture as a whole and not to any particular article, section, exhibit, or other subdivision of this Indenture.

(c) Any term that relates to a document or a statute, rule, or regulation includes any amendments, modifications, supplements, or any other changes that may have occurred since the document, statute, rule, or regulation came into being, including changes that occur after the date of this Indenture. References to law are not limited to statutes. Any reference to any Person includes references to its successors and assigns.



(d) Any party may execute any of the requirements under this Indenture either directly or through others, and the right to cause something to be done rather than doing it directly shall be implicit in every requirement under this Indenture. Unless a provision is restricted as to time or limited as to frequency, all provisions under this Indenture are implicitly available and things may happen from time to time.

(e) The term "including" and all its variations mean "including but not limited to." Except when used in conjunction with the word "either", the word "or" is always used inclusively (for example, the phrase "A or B" means "A or B or both", not "either A or B but not both").

(f) A reference to "a thing" or "any of a thing" does not imply the existence or occurrence of the thing referred to even though not followed by "if any", and "any of a thing" is any and all of it. A reference to the plural of anything as to which there could be either one or more than one does not imply the existence of more than one (for instance, the phrase "the obligors on a note" means "the obligor or obligors on a note"). "Until something occurs" does not imply that it must occur, and will not be modified by the word "unless." The word "due" and the word "payable" are each used in the sense that the stated time for payment has passed. The word "accrued" is used in its accounting sense, i.e., an amount paid is no longer accrued. In the calculation of amounts of things, differences and sums may generally result in negative numbers, but when the calculation of the excess of one thing over another results in zero or a negative number, the calculation is disregarded and an "excess" does not exist. Portions of things may be expressed as fractions or percentages interchangeably. The word "shall" is used in its imperative sense, as for instance meaning a party agrees to something or something must occur or exist.

(g) All accounting terms used in an accounting context and not otherwise defined, and accounting terms partly defined in this Indenture, to the extent not completely defined, shall be construed in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. To the extent that the definitions of accounting terms in this Indenture are inconsistent with their meanings under generally accepted accounting principles, the definitions contained in this Indenture shall control.

(h) In the computation of a period of time from a specified date to a later specified date or an open-ended period, the words "from" and "beginning" mean "from and including", the word "after" means "from but excluding," the words "to" and "until" mean "to but excluding", and the word "through" means "to and including." Likewise, in setting deadlines or other periods, "by" means "on or before." The words "preceding", "following", "before", "after", "next" and words of similar import, mean immediately preceding or following. References to a month or a year refer to calendar months and calendar years.

(i) Any reference to the enforceability of any agreement against a party means that it is enforceable against the party in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, and other similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles.

(j) Except when only the registered holder is recognized, such as in Section 2.9., references to Noteholders, holders, and the like refer equally to beneficial owners who have an interest in a Note but are not reflected in the Indenture Register as the owner.

## ARTICLE 2

### THE NOTES

#### Section 2.1. *Forms Generally.*

The Notes and the Trustee's or Authenticating Agent's certificate of authentication on them (the "**Certificate of Authentication**") shall be in substantially the forms required by this Article, with appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions, and other variations required or permitted by this Indenture, and may have any letters, numbers, or other marks of identification and any legends or endorsements on them that are consistent with this Indenture, as determined by the Authorized Officers of the Issuer executing the Notes as evidenced by their execution of the Notes.

#### Section 2.2. *Forms of Notes and Certificate of Authentication.*

(a) The Senior Notes, including the Regulation S Global Notes, Rule 144A Global Notes and Certificate of Authentication, shall be in the forms of the applicable portion of Exhibit A-1.

(b) *Regulation S Global Notes.* The Senior Notes of each Class sold to non-U.S. persons in off-shore transactions in reliance on Regulation S shall each be represented by one or more global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit A-1, including legends (the "**Regulation S Global Notes**"). The global notes shall be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for the Senior Notes represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, the Depository for the respective accounts of Euroclear and Clearstream, duly executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided. The aggregate principal amount of the Regulation S Global Notes may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee or the Depository or its nominee, as the case may be, as hereinafter provided. As used above and in subsection (d) below, "U.S. person" and "off-shore transaction" have the meanings assigned to them in Regulation S.

(c) *Rule 144A Global Notes.* The Senior Notes of each Class initially sold to U.S. persons that are Qualified Institutional Buyers and Qualified Purchasers shall each be issued initially in the form of one permanent global note per Class in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit A-1, including legends (each, a "**Rule 144A Global Note**"), which shall be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for the Senior Notes represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, the Depository, duly executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided. The aggregate principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Notes may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee or the Depository or its nominee, as the case may be, as hereinafter provided.

(d) *Book-Entry Provisions.* This Section 2.2(d) shall apply only to Global Notes deposited with or on behalf of the Depository. The "Operating Procedures of the Euroclear System" of Euroclear and the "Terms and Conditions Governing Use of Participants" of Clearstream, respectively, shall be applicable to the Regulation S Global Notes insofar as interests in the Global Notes are held by the Agent Members of Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be.

Agent Members shall have no rights under this Indenture with respect to any Global Note held on their behalf by the Trustee, as custodian for the Depository and the Depository

may be treated by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, and any agent of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee as the absolute owner of the Senior Note for all purposes whatsoever. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing in this Indenture shall prevent the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, or any agent of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee, from giving effect to any written certification, proxy, or other authorization furnished by the Depository or impair, as between the Depository and its Agent Members, the operation of customary practices governing the exercise of the rights of a Holder of any Senior Note.

(e) The Class D Notes shall be issued in the form of one or more certificated Class D Notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of Exhibit A-2, including legends (each, a "***Certificated Class D Note***"), which shall be registered in the name of the owner thereof.

### Section 2.3. ***Authorized Amount; Denominations.***

(a) The aggregate principal amount of Notes that may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture is limited to U.S.\$1,408,100,000, except for Notes authenticated and delivered upon registration of, transfer of, or in exchange for, or in lieu of, other Notes pursuant to Section 2.6, 2.7, or 8.5.

(b) The Notes shall be divided into the following Classes, having the designations, original principal amounts and other characteristics as follows:

Class	A-1	A-2a	A-2b	A-3	B	C	D
Original Principal Amount	\$100,000,000	\$825,600,000	\$206,000,000	\$78,500,000	\$81,500,000	\$68,500,000	\$48,000,000
Interest Rate	LIBOR + 0.25%	LIBOR + 0.23%	LIBOR + 0.33%	LIBOR + 0.40%	LIBOR + 0.70%	LIBOR + 1.50%	LIBOR + 3.60%
Initial Rating (Moody's/S&P)	Aaa/AAA	Aaa/AAA	Aa1/AAA	Aa2/AA	A2/A	Baa2/BBB	Ba2/BB

(c) The Notes will be issuable in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000, and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess of that amount.

(d) The Issuer will also issue 61,500 Class I Preference Shares and 62,000 Class II Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, simultaneously with the issuance of the Notes under this Indenture. At any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the proceeds from such issuance and sale to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or as otherwise permitted under the Preference Share Documents and this Indenture pursuant to Section 6 of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. The Preference Shares are not secured by the lien of this Indenture. Any payments made by the Trustee hereunder with respect to the Preference Shares (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) will be released by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent on each Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment, subject to Cayman Islands law, to Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends or Redemption Price, as applicable.

Section 2.4. ***Extension of Replacement Period and Stated Maturity.***

(a) The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Replacement Period to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date up to a maximum of four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date in accordance with this Section 2.4 and (ii) the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.4(c) are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period to the Trustee no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Notes or Preference Shares or amendment or supplement to this Indenture or the Preference Share Documents (the "***Maturity Extension***"); provided that the Issuer will not be permitted to effect more than four Maturity Extensions.

(b) In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Securities wishing to sell such Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to Section 2.4(d) (such Securities (or the related Holding Preference Shares, as applicable) as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, "***Extension Sale Securities***"). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in connection with an Extension Sale, all, but not part, of the Extension Sale Securities shall be purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date.

(c) The Maturity Extension shall be effective only if the following conditions (the "***Extension Conditions***") are satisfied:

(i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the applicable Extension Effective Date;

(ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions in this Indenture, the Preference Share Documents and the Holding Preference Share Documents immediately after such purchase and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency);

(iii) (a) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to S&P (so long as any Notes are then rated by S&P) and (b) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to Moody's (so long as any Notes are then rated by Moody's);

(iv) the Issuer has not effected more than three prior Extensions; and

(v) such extension is not effected for the primary purpose of decreasing losses or recognizing gains resulting from market value changes.

The Issuer, the Trustee and, by its acceptance of the Notes, each Noteholder agrees that neither the Initial Purchaser nor the Placement Agent shall be responsible for causing the Extension Conditions to be satisfied and neither the Initial Purchaser nor the Placement Agent shall be liable to

any such Person or Noteholders (whether or not such Holder gave an Extension Sale Notice with respect to its Notes) or to any other Person if the Extension Conditions are not satisfied. Failure of the Extension Conditions to be satisfied shall not constitute a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture.

(d) Extension Procedure.

(i) Not later than three Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Issuer of its election to extend the Replacement Period (the "**Extension Notice**"), the Trustee shall mail the Extension Notice to all Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Holding Securities) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding), in the form of Exhibit I, and shall request the Rating Confirmation for the Maturity Extension from each Rating Agency, if applicable;

(ii) Any Holder of the Securities may deliver an irrevocable notice (an "**Extension Sale Notice**") to the Issuer and the Trustee within 30 days after the Trustee has mailed the Extension Notice (the "**Extension Sale Notice Period**") of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Securities or, with respect to Investors Corp., in its capacity as a Holder of the Class I Preference Shares, all or a portion of Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be, to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of the Securities that has not delivered such an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be entitled to sell its Securities or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension; and

(iii) If clause (iii)(b)(i) of the Extension Conditions is not satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date as determined by the Issuer (or its agent), the Trustee shall request the Rating Condition to be satisfied with respect to Moody's.

(e) On the applicable Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or its agent) shall confirm (i) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Extension Sale Securities in compliance with all transfer restrictions in this Indenture, the Preference Share Documents and the Holding Preference Share Documents and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (ii) whether the requirements of clause (c)(iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date and (iii) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

(f) On each Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension shall automatically become effective under the terms of this Indenture; provided that all Extension Conditions set forth in clauses (a) and (c) above are satisfied (as certified to the Trustee by a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer). No later than two Business Days after each Extension Effective Date, the Trustee based on a determination made by the Issuer in consultation with the Servicer, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail a notice to all Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) and the Irish Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed thereon) confirming

whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension became effective, the Issuer shall make any required notifications thereof to the Depository for any Notes subject to the Maturity Extension.

(g) In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Noteholder, other than a Holder of Extension Sale Securities, shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment. Holders of Preference Shares shall not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

The Extension Bonus Payment shall be payable to any applicable qualifying beneficial owners who have provided the Trustee with an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification on the first Payment Date from and including each Extension Effective Date on which funds are available to be used for such purposes in accordance with Priority of Payments, but in any event, no later than the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption of the Notes. Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments on a Payment Date shall not be considered "due and payable" hereunder. The failure to pay any such Extension Bonus Payment on such date shall not be an Event of Default, unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Securities. Unpaid Extension Bonus Payments shall not accrue interest. Such amounts shall be paid, in the case of the Notes, to the accounts designated in the applicable Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification or, to the extent otherwise required by the rules of any applicable securities exchange or clearing agency, in a manner determined by the Issuer.

(h) If any Holder of Class II Preference Shares delivers an Extension Sale Notice notifying the Issuer and the Trustee of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Class II Preference Shares, (i) such Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to Investors Corp. and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares, (ii) Investors Corp. will issue additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such redesignated Preference Shares purchased by it and (iii) the Extension Qualifying Purchaser will purchase such additional Holding Preference Shares in lieu of such redesignated Preference Shares.

#### Section 2.5. *Execution, Authentication, Delivery, and Dating.*

The Notes shall be executed on behalf of each of the Applicable Issuers by one of their respective Authorized Officers. The signature of the Authorized Officer on the Notes may be manual or facsimile.

Notes bearing the manual or facsimile signatures of individuals who were at any time the Authorized Officers of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, shall bind the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, notwithstanding that any of them have ceased to hold their offices before the authentication and delivery of the Notes or did not hold their offices at the date of issuance of the Notes.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Indenture, the Co-Issuers may deliver the Senior Notes and the Issuer may deliver the Class D Notes, in each case executed by the Applicable Issuers to the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent for authentication and the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent, upon Issuer Order, shall authenticate and deliver the Notes as provided in this Indenture and not otherwise.

Each Note authenticated and delivered by the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent upon Issuer Order on the Closing Date shall be dated as of the Closing Date. All other Notes that are

authenticated after the Closing Date for any other purpose under this Indenture shall be dated the date of their authentication.

Notes issued upon transfer, exchange, or replacement of other Notes shall be issued in authorized denominations reflecting the original Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes so transferred, exchanged, or replaced, but shall represent only the current outstanding principal amount of the Notes so transferred, exchanged, or replaced. If any Note is divided into more than one Note in accordance with this Article 2, the original principal amount of the Note shall be proportionately divided among the Notes delivered in exchange for it and shall be the original aggregate principal amount of the subsequently issued Notes.

No Note shall be entitled to any benefit under this Indenture or be valid or obligatory for any purpose, unless there appears on the Note a Certificate of Authentication executed by the Trustee or by the Authenticating Agent by the manual signature of one of their Authorized Officers, and that certificate on any Note shall be conclusive evidence, and the only evidence, that the Note has been duly authenticated and delivered under this Indenture.

Section 2.6. ***Registration, Registration of Transfer and Exchange.***

(a) The Issuer shall cause a register (the "***Indenture Register***") to be kept in which the Issuer shall provide for the registration of Notes and the registration of transfers of Notes. The Trustee is hereby initially appointed "***Indenture Registrar***" for the purpose of registering Notes and transfers of the Notes as provided in this Indenture. The Issuer may rely conclusively on any such information provided to it by the Trustee. Upon any resignation or removal of the Indenture Registrar, the Issuer shall promptly appoint a successor and notify the Servicer of the appointment or, in the absence of such appointment, assume the duties of Indenture Registrar.

If the Issuer appoints a Person other than the Trustee to be Indenture Registrar, the Issuer will give the Trustee prompt written notice of the appointment of the Indenture Registrar and of the location, and any change in the location, of the Indenture Register. The Trustee may inspect the Indenture Register at all reasonable times and obtain copies of it. The Trustee may rely on a certificate executed on behalf of the Indenture Registrar by an Officer of the Indenture Registrar as to the names and addresses of the Noteholders and the principal amounts and number of the Notes.

Upon surrender for registration of transfer of any Notes at the office or agency of the Applicable Issuers to be maintained pursuant to Section 7.2, if the requirements of this Indenture are met the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in the name of the designated transferees, new Notes of any authorized denomination and of a like original Aggregate Outstanding Amount.

At the option of their Holder, Notes may be exchanged for Notes of like terms, in any authorized denominations and of like aggregate principal amount, upon surrender of the Notes to be exchanged at the office or agency of the Applicable Issuers to be maintained pursuant to Section 7.2. Whenever any Note is surrendered for exchange, the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, the Notes that the Noteholder making the exchange is entitled to receive.

All Notes issued on any registration of transfer or exchange of Notes shall be the valid obligations of the Applicable Issuers evidencing the same obligations and entitled to the same benefits under this Indenture as the Notes surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

Every Note presented or surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange shall be duly endorsed, or be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Indenture Registrar duly executed by its holder or his attorney duly authorized in writing.

No Holder shall incur a service charge for any registration of transfer or exchange of the Notes, but the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

(b) No Note may be sold or transferred (including by pledge or hypothecation) unless the sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, is exempt from the registration requirements under applicable state securities laws, and will not cause either of the Co-Issuers to become subject to the requirement that it register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act. None of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee or any other Person shall have any obligation to register the Notes under the Securities Act or any state securities laws.

(c) (i) No Note or interest therein may be transferred to any purchaser or transferee unless such purchase, holding and disposition of such Note will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any federal, state, foreign or local law that is substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code).

(ii) No person shall be permitted to acquire any Class D Note if such acquisition would result in persons who have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of the Class D Notes immediately after such sale or transfer (excluding, as described below, for purposes of such determination any Class D Notes held by any Controlling Person (as defined below) and its affiliates (as defined below)) determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA. Under the Plan Asset Regulation, an "affiliate" of a person includes any person, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controlling, controlled by or under common control with the person, and "control" with respect to a person other than an individual, means the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of such person. In making the 25% determination, Class D Notes held by any person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer or any affiliate of any such person (any such person, a "**Controlling Person**") (such as the Class D Notes held by the Servicer or its affiliates) will be disregarded and not treated as outstanding.

(iii) Any person described in paragraph (i) and (ii) above is referred to herein as a "**Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor**." Any transfer of a beneficial interest to a Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor shall be void and any such purported transfer of which the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee has notice may be disregarded by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Trustee for all purposes.

(d) None of the Trustee, the Share Registrar or the Indenture Registrar shall be responsible for ascertaining whether any transfer complies with, or for otherwise monitoring or determining compliance with, the requirements or terms of the Securities Act, applicable state securities laws, ERISA, the Code or the Investment Company Act; except that if a certificate or any other document is specifically required by this Section 2.6 to be provided to the Trustee or such Registrar by a prospective transferee, the Trustee and such Registrar, as applicable, shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine whether it conforms substantially on its face to the applicable requirements of this Section 2.6.



(e) For so long as any of the Notes are Outstanding, the Issuer shall not issue or register the transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares to U.S. persons and the Co-Issuer shall not issue or register the transfer of any of its shares of the Co-Issuer to U.S. persons. As used in this subsection (e), "U.S. person" has the meaning assigned to it in Regulation S.

(f) So long as a Global Note remains Outstanding and is held by or on behalf of the Depository, transfers of the Global Note, in whole or in part, shall only be made in accordance with Section 2.2(c), Section 2.6(c) and this Section 2.6(f).

(i) Subject to clauses (ii), (iii) and (iv) of this Section 2.6(f), transfers of a Global Note shall be limited to transfers of the Global Note in whole, but not in part, to nominees of the Depository.

(ii) *Rule 144A Global Note to Regulation S Global Note.* If a Holder of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note deposited with the Depository wishes at any time to exchange its interest in the Rule 144A Global Note for an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note, or to transfer its interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to a Person who wishes to take delivery of it in the form of an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note, the Holder may exchange or transfer the interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note (subject to the rules and procedures of the Depository) if the Holder after the exchange or transfer is not a U.S. person.

The Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository to reduce the principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Note and to increase the principal amount of the Regulation S Global Note by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to be exchanged, and to credit to the securities account of the Person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note equal to the reduction in the principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Note upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of

(A) instructions given in accordance with the Depository's procedures from an Agent Member directing the Indenture Registrar to credit a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to the Holder's Senior Notes, equal to the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to be exchanged or transferred,

(B) a written order given in accordance with the Depository's procedures containing information regarding the participant account of the Depository and the Euroclear or Clearstream account to be credited with the increase,

(C) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-3 given by the Holder of the beneficial interest stating that the exchange or transfer of the interest has been made in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Global Notes, including that the Holder or the transferee, as applicable, is not a U.S. person, and that the transfer has been made pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S, and

(D) in the case of a transfer, a certificate in the applicable form of Exhibit B-1 given by the proposed transferee stating that it is not a U.S. person.

(iii) *Regulation S Global Note to Rule 144A Global Note.* If a Holder of a Senior Note held as a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note deposited with the Depository wishes at any time to exchange its interest in the Regulation S Global Note for an interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note or to transfer its interest in the Regulation S Global Note to a Person who wishes to take delivery of it in the form of an interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note, the Holder may, subject to the rules and procedures of Euroclear, Clearstream or the Depository, as the case may be, exchange or transfer, or cause the exchange or transfer of, the interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note. Upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of:

(A) instructions from Euroclear, Clearstream or the Depository, as the case may be, directing the Indenture Registrar to cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note equal to the beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Note, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to the Holder's Senior Notes, to be exchanged or transferred, the instructions to contain information regarding the participant account with the Depository to be credited with the increase,

(B) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-2 given by the Holder of the beneficial interest and stating that, in the case of an exchange, the Holder is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser or, in the case of a transfer, the Person transferring the interest in the Regulation S Global Note reasonably believes that the Person acquiring the interest in a Rule 144A Global Note is a Qualified Institutional Buyer, is obtaining the beneficial interest in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction, and a Qualified Purchaser, and

(C) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-1 given by the proposed transferee stating that it is a QIB/QP,

the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository to reduce the Regulation S Global Note by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Note to be transferred or exchanged and the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository, concurrently with the reduction, to credit to the securities account of the Person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note equal to the reduction in the principal amount of the Regulation S Global Note.

(iv) *Other Exchanges.* If a Global Note is exchanged for Senior Notes in definitive registered form without interest coupons pursuant to Section 2.11, the Senior Notes may be exchanged for one another only in accordance with procedures substantially consistent with the provisions above (including certification requirements intended to insure that the transfers are made only to Holders who are QIB/QPs or non-U.S. persons, or otherwise comply with Regulation S, as the case may be), and as may be from time to time adopted by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee.

(g) So long as the Class D Notes remain Outstanding transfers of such Class D Notes shall only be made in accordance with Section 2.6(c) and this Section 2.6(g) upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of (i) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-4 given by the proposed transferee stating that it is a QIB/QP (or, solely in the case of a Holder purchasing Class D Notes on the Closing Date, is an Institutional Accredited Investor) and containing other representations,

warranties and agreements of such transferee and (ii) (A) appropriate documentation required under the Code and the applicable Treasury regulations establishing that the beneficial owner of the Class D Notes to be transferred is either not a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-8BEN or an IRS Form W-8IMY with appropriate attachments) or a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-9) and (B) if such beneficial owner of Class D Notes to be transferred is treated as a partnership, S-corporation or grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a written representation from such beneficial owner that (1) there will not be any interests in such beneficial owner where substantially all of the value of such interest is attributable to the value of the Class D Notes proposed to be transferred to such beneficial owner, together with the value of any Class D Notes, Holding Securities and Preference Shares already held by such beneficial owner and (2) such beneficial owner is not a part of any arrangement a principal purpose of which is to cause the Class D Notes and Preference Shares to be treated as owned by 100 persons or less within the meaning of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h). In addition, neither the Trustee nor the Issuer shall recognize any transfers of Class D Notes, and any such proposed transfer shall be null and void, if (a) the proposed transfer will cause the Issuer to have more than ninety-nine beneficial owners (as determined for purposes of the provisions of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h)) of its Class D Notes and Preference Shares unless it receives the consent of all of the Holders of the Preference Shares and a Tax Opinion of Counsel to the effect that Holders of the Notes will not recognize gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such transfer, and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such transfer had not been made or (b) such transfer was made pursuant to a trade on an Established Securities Market. The Trustee shall contact the Preference Shares Paying Agent to determine the number of beneficial owners of the Preference Shares. The Trustee shall provide, upon request by the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the number of beneficial owners of the Class D Notes.

(h) If the Notes are issued upon the transfer, exchange, or replacement of Notes bearing the applicable legends in the applicable forms in Exhibit A, as applicable, and if a request is made to remove the legend on the Notes, the legend shall not be removed unless the Trustee and the Applicable Issuers received satisfactory evidence, which may include an Opinion of Counsel acceptable to them, reasonably required by the Applicable Issuers (and which shall by its terms permit reliance by the Trustee), to the effect that neither the legend nor the restrictions on transfer in it are required to ensure that transfers of the Notes comply with the Securities Act, the Investment Company Act, ERISA and the Code. Upon provision of satisfactory evidence, the Trustee or its Authenticating Agent, at the written direction of the Applicable Issuers shall, after due execution by the Applicable Issuers authenticate and deliver Notes that do not bear the applicable legend.

(i) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Section 2.6 to the contrary:

(i) Restrictions on U.S. Transfers. Transfers of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note that are not made in an offshore transaction pursuant to Regulation S or are made to U.S. Persons, if such transferees take delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note, shall be limited to transfers made pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.6(f)(iii) and Section 2.6(f)(iv).

(ii) Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may only be held through Euroclear or Clearstream.

(j) (i) Each Person who becomes a beneficial owner of a Senior Note evidenced by: (A) an interest in a Definitive Note, shall make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in the applicable Transferee Certificate set forth in Exhibit B-1 upon such Person's purchase or other acquisition of the relevant Definitive Note and (B) an interest in a Global Note, shall be deemed to make the representations, warranties and

agreements set forth in the applicable legends of the Notes set forth in Exhibit A-1 hereto and in the applicable Transferee Certificate set forth in Exhibit B-1 hereto upon such Person's purchase or other acquisition of the relevant Global Note.

(ii) Each Person who becomes a beneficial owner of a Class D Note shall make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in the Transferee Certificate set forth in Exhibit B-4 upon such Person's purchase or other acquisition of such Class D Note.

(k) The aggregate principal amount of any Global Note may be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee, as custodian for DTC for the Global Note, which adjustments shall be conclusive as to the aggregate principal amount of any Global Note.

(l) Any purported transfer of a Note not in accordance with this Section 2.6 shall be null and void.

**Section 2.7. *Mutilated, Destroyed, Lost or Stolen Notes.***

If the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, and the relevant Transfer Agent receive evidence to their satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of any Note, and they receive the security or indemnity they require to hold each of them harmless, or if any mutilated Note is surrendered to a Transfer Agent, then, in the absence of notice to the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, or the Transfer Agent that the Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the Applicable Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in exchange for the mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Note, a replacement Note, of like tenor and equal principal or face amount.

If, after delivery of the replacement Note or payment on it, a protected purchaser of the predecessor Note presents it for payment, transfer, or exchange, the Applicable Issuers, the Transfer Agent, and the Trustee may recover the replacement Note (or the payment on it) from the Person to whom it was delivered or any Person taking the replacement Note from the Person to whom the replacement Note was delivered or any assignee of that Person, except a protected purchaser, and may recover on the security or indemnity provided therefor to the extent of any loss, damage, cost, or expense incurred by the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, and the Transfer Agent in connection with it.

If the final payment in respect of any mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Note has become payable, the Applicable Issuers in their discretion may, instead of issuing a new Note pay the Note without requiring its surrender except that any mutilated Note shall be surrendered.

Upon the issuance of any new Note under this Section, the Applicable Issuers or the Trustee may require the payment by its holder of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with the issuance and any other expenses (including the fees and expenses of the Trustee) connected with it.

Every new Note issued pursuant to this Section in replacement for any mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Note shall be an original additional contractual obligation of the Applicable Issuers and the new Note shall be entitled to all the benefits of this Indenture equally and proportionately with all other Notes of the same Class duly issued under this Indenture, as applicable.

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

Section 2.8. ***Payment of Principal and Interest and Other Amounts; Principal and Interest Rights Preserved; Withholding.***

(a) The Notes of each Class shall accrue interest during each Interest Period on their Aggregate Outstanding Amount (determined as of the first day of the Interest Period and after giving effect to any redemption or other payment of principal occurring on that day) at the Applicable Note Interest Rate. Interest shall be payable in arrears on each Payment Date. Payment of interest on each Class of Notes shall be subordinated to the payments of interest on the related Priority Classes and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of interest due on the Class of Deferred Interest Notes that is not available to be paid ("***Deferred Interest***") in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered "payable" for the purposes of this Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Interest shall cease to accrue on each Note, or in the case of a partial repayment, on the part repaid, from the date of repayment or its Stated Maturity unless payment of principal is improperly withheld or unless there is some other default with respect to the payments of principal.

To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for the Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest, until paid as provided in this Indenture.

(b) The principal of each Note of each Class matures at par and is payable on the Payment Date that is the Stated Maturity for the Class of Notes, unless the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable at an earlier date by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the payment of principal of each Class of Notes:

(i) may only occur after principal on each Class of Notes that is a Priority Class with respect to the Class has been paid in full; and

(ii) is subordinated to the payment on each Payment Date of the principal and interest payable on the Priority Classes, and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments;

provided that, notwithstanding the foregoing, Interest Proceeds may be used to pay principal of the Class D Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class D Coverage Tests.

(c) Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Section 9.1.

(d) As a condition to the payment of principal of and interest on any Note without the imposition of U.S. withholding tax, the Paying Agent shall require the previous delivery of appropriate properly completed and signed original forms United States federal income tax certifications (generally, an Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a Person that is a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of

the Code or an appropriate Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a Person that is not a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) or any other certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, and any Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments on the Note under any present or future law of the United States or any present or future law of any political subdivision of the United States or taxing authority in the United States or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under any such law.

(e) Payments in respect of interest on and principal of any Note shall be made by the Trustee, or by the Irish Paying Agent, if applicable, in U.S. Dollars to the Depository or its designee with respect to a Global Note and to the Holder or its nominee with respect to a Definitive Note and a Class D Note, by wire transfer, as directed by the Holder, in immediately available funds to a U.S. Dollar account maintained by the Depository or its nominee with respect to a Global Note, and to the Holder or its designee with respect to a Definitive Note and a Class D Note. In the case of a Definitive Note and a Class D Note, its Holder has provided written wiring instructions to the Trustee and, if the payment with respect to a Definitive Note is to be made by the Irish Paying Agent, the Irish Paying Agent, on or before the related Record Date.

If appropriate instructions for the wire transfer are not received by the related Record Date, then the payment will be made by check drawn on a U.S. bank mailed to the address of the Holder in the Indenture Register. Upon final payment due on the Maturity of a Note, its Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the office designated by the Trustee on or before the Maturity. If the Trustee and the Applicable Issuers have been furnished the security or indemnity they require to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the certificate, then, in the absence of notice to the Applicable Issuers or the Trustee that the applicable Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender. Neither the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Share Registrar nor any Paying Agent shall have any responsibility or liability for any aspects of the records maintained by Euroclear, Clearstream, or any of the Agent Members relating to or for payments made thereby on account of beneficial interests in a Global Note.

In the case where any final payment of principal and interest is to be made on any Note (other than on its Stated Maturity and except as otherwise provided in this Indenture), the Trustee, in the name and at the expense of the Applicable Issuers shall, not more than 30 nor less than 10 days before the date on which the payment is to be made, mail (by first-class mail, postage prepaid) to the Persons entitled thereto at their addresses appearing on the Indenture Register, a notice specifying the date on which the payment will be made, the amount of the payment per U.S.\$100,000 original principal amount of Notes and the place where the Notes may be presented and surrendered for payment. If the Trustee and the Issuer have been furnished any security or indemnity they require to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the certificate, then, in the absence of notice to the Issuer or the Trustee that the applicable certificate has been acquired by a protected purchaser, final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender of the applicable certificate.

(f) Payments of principal to Holders of the Notes of each Class shall be made in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes of the Class registered in the name of each Holder on the applicable Record Date bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Notes of the Class on the Record Date.

(g) Interest accrued shall be calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in the applicable Interest Period divided by 360.

(h) All reductions in the principal amount of a Note (or one or more predecessor Notes) effected by payments of installments of principal made on any Payment Date or Redemption Date shall be binding on all future Holders of the Note and of any Note issued upon the registration of its transfer, exchange, or replacement, whether or not the payment is noted on the Note.

(i) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the obligations of the Applicable Issuers under the Notes and under this Indenture are limited recourse obligations of the Applicable Issuers payable solely from the Collateral and following realization of the assets, application of their proceeds in accordance with this Indenture and the reduction of the proceeds of the Collateral to zero, all obligations of, and any claims against, the Co-Issuers under this Indenture or under the Notes or arising in connection therewith shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. No recourse shall be had against any Officer, director, employee, shareholder, or incorporator of either of the Co-Issuers or their respective successors or assigns for any amounts payable under the Notes or this Indenture. The foregoing provisions of this paragraph (i) shall not (1) prevent recourse to the Collateral for the sums due or to become due under any security, instrument, or agreement that is part of the Collateral or (2) be a waiver, release, or discharge of any indebtedness or obligation evidenced by the Notes or secured by this Indenture until the Collateral have been realized. The foregoing provisions of this paragraph (i) shall not limit the right of any Person to name the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as a party defendant in any Proceeding or in the exercise of any other remedy under the Notes or this Indenture, so long as no judgment in the nature of a deficiency judgment or seeking personal liability is sought or (if obtained) enforced against the person.

(j) If any withholding tax is imposed on the Issuer's payment (or allocations of income) under the Notes to any Noteholder, the tax shall reduce the amount otherwise distributable to the Noteholder. The Trustee is hereby authorized and directed to retain from amounts otherwise distributable to any Noteholder sufficient funds for the payment of any tax that is legally owed, or required by law to be collected, by or on behalf of the Issuer (but the authorization shall not prevent the Trustee or the Issuer from contesting any such tax in appropriate proceedings and withholding payment of the tax, if permitted by law, pending the outcome of the proceedings). The amount of any withholding tax imposed with respect to any Noteholder shall be treated as Cash distributed to the Noteholder when it is withheld by the Trustee and remitted to the appropriate taxing authority. If there is a possibility that withholding tax is payable with respect to a distribution, the Trustee may in its sole discretion withhold the amounts in accordance with this Section 2.8(j). If any Noteholder wishes to apply for a refund of any such withholding tax, the Trustee shall reasonably cooperate with the Noteholder in making the claim by providing information readily available to the Trustee so long as the Noteholder agrees to reimburse the Trustee for any out-of-pocket expenses incurred and provides the Trustee with security reasonably acceptable to the Trustee assuring the reimbursement. The Trustee hereby provides notice to each Noteholder that the failure by the Noteholder to provide the Trustee with appropriate tax certifications may result in amounts being withheld from payments to the Noteholder. Nothing in this Indenture shall impose an obligation on the part of the Trustee to determine the amount of any tax or withholding obligation on the part of the Issuer or in respect of the Notes.

#### Section 2.9. *Persons Considered Owners.*

The Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, and any agent of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee may treat as the owner of the Note the Person in whose name any Note is registered on the Indenture Register on the applicable Record Date for the purpose of receiving payments on the Note and on any other date for all other purposes whatsoever (whether or not the Note is overdue), and neither the Issuer, the Co-Issuer nor the Trustee nor any agent of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee shall be affected by notice to the contrary. Pursuant to the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will

notify the Trustee, the Share Registrar and the Holding Share Registrar of any Affiliate of the Servicer that owns any of the Transaction Securities.

Section 2.10. ***Cancellation.***

All Notes surrendered for payment, registration of transfer, exchange, or redemption, or lost or stolen, shall be promptly canceled by the Trustee and may not be reissued or resold. No Notes shall be authenticated in lieu of or in exchange for any Notes canceled as provided in this Section 2.10, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture. All canceled Notes held by the Trustee shall be destroyed by the Trustee in accordance with its standard policy unless the Applicable Issuers direct by an Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee prior to cancellation and destruction that they be returned to the Issuer.

Section 2.11. ***Definitive Notes.***

(a) A Global Note deposited with the Depository pursuant to Section 2.2 shall be transferred in the form of a Definitive Note to its beneficial owners only if the transfer complies with Section 2.6 and either

(i) the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as Depository for the Global Note or

(ii) if at any time the Depository ceases to be a Clearing Agency registered under the Exchange Act and, in each case, a successor depository is not appointed by the Co-Issuers within 90 days after the notice.

(b) Any Global Note that is transferable in the form of a Definitive Note to its beneficial owners pursuant to this Section 2.11 shall be surrendered by the Depository to the office of the Trustee's agent located in the City of New York, New York as specified in Section 7.2 (or any other office designated by the Trustee) to be so transferred, in whole or from time to time in part, without charge, and the Applicable Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, upon the transfer of each portion of the Global Note, an equal aggregate principal amount of definitive physical certificates (pursuant to the instructions of the Depository) (each, a "***Definitive Note*** ") in authorized denominations. Any Definitive Note delivered in exchange for an interest in a Global Note, as applicable, shall, except as otherwise provided by Section 2.6(j), bear the legends in the applicable portion of Exhibit A-1 and shall be subject to the transfer restrictions referred to in the legends.

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

(d) Upon the occurrence of either of the events specified in Section 2.11(a)(i) and (ii), the Co-Issuers shall promptly make available to the Trustee a reasonable supply of Definitive Notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons.

The Definitive Notes shall be in substantially the same form as the Global Notes, with any changes the Issuer and Trustee agree to and the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in exchange therefor, the same aggregate principal amount of Definitive Notes of authorized denominations.



Section 2.12. ***Notes Beneficially Owned by Non-Permitted Holders.***

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary elsewhere in this Indenture, (i) any transfer of a beneficial interest in any Global Note to a U.S. person (for purposes of this Section 2.12 as defined in Regulation S) that is not a QIB/QP and that is not made pursuant to an applicable exemption under the Securities Act and (ii) any transfer of a beneficial interest in any Class D Note to a Person that is not a QIB/QP (or, solely in the case of a Holder purchasing Class D Notes on the Closing Date, that is an Institutional Accredited Investor), shall be void and any such purported transfer of which the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee has notice may be disregarded by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Trustee for all purposes.

(b) After discovery by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee (and notice by the Trustee or the Co-Issuer to the Issuer, if either of them makes the discovery) that a Person is a Non-Permitted Holder, the Issuer shall promptly send notice to the Non-Permitted Holder demanding that the Non-Permitted Holder transfer its interest to a Person that is not a Non-Permitted Holder within 30 days of the date of the notice. If the Non-Permitted Holder fails to so transfer its Notes or interest in the Notes without further notice to the Non-Permitted Holder, the Issuer may sell the Notes or interest in the Notes to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is not a Non-Permitted Holder on any terms the Issuer chooses. The Issuer, or the Trustee acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting bids (or by appointing an investment bank at the expense of the Issuer to solicit bids) from brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Notes, and selling the Notes, or interest in the Notes to the highest bidder. However, the Issuer or the Trustee may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Note, the beneficial owner of each interest in a Note, the Non-Permitted Holder, and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder or beneficial owner to the Non-Permitted Holder, by its acceptance of an interest in the Notes agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Trustee to effect the transfers. The proceeds of the sale, net of any commissions, expenses of the Trustee or otherwise, and taxes due in connection with the sale shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted Holder. The terms of any sale under this subsection shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer (or the Trustee acting on its behalf), and the Issuer and the Trustee shall not be liable to any Person having an interest in the Notes sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of its discretion.

Section 2.13 ***Tax Purposes***

The Issuer agrees, and each Holder and each beneficial owner of a Note, by acceptance of its Note or its interest in a Note, as the case may be, shall be deemed to have agreed, to treat, and shall treat, such Note as unconditional debt of the Issuer for tax, accounting and financial reporting purposes.

## ARTICLE 3

### CONDITIONS PRECEDENT

Section 3.1. ***Conditions to Issuance of Notes on Closing Date.***

(a) The Notes to be issued on the Closing Date shall be executed by the Applicable Issuers and delivered to the Trustee for authentication and thereupon the same shall be authenticated and delivered by the Trustee upon Issuer Order and upon receipt by the Trustee of the following:

(i) *Officers' Certificates of the Co-Issuers Regarding Corporate Matters.* An Officer's certificate of each of the Co-Issuers:

(A) (1) evidencing (x) the authorization by Board Resolution of the execution and delivery of this Indenture and the Purchase Agreement and, in the case of the Issuer, the Servicing Agreement, the Placement Agency Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Hedge Agreements being entered into on or before the Closing Date (if any), and related transaction documents and (y) the execution, authentication and delivery of the Notes applied for by it and specifying the Stated Maturity, principal amount and the Note Interest Rate of each applicable Class of Notes to be authenticated and delivered and (2) with respect to the Issuer only, evidencing the authorization by Board Resolution of the issuance, terms and number of Preference Shares issued on the Closing Date, and that each of the foregoing is in accordance with the terms of the Board Resolution, and

(B) certifying that (1) the attached copy of the Board Resolution is an accurate copy, (2) the resolutions have not been rescinded and are in full force on and as of the Closing Date and (3) the Officers authorized to execute and deliver the documents hold the offices and have the signatures indicated on the documents.

(ii) *Governmental Approvals.* From each of the Co-Issuers either:

(A) a certificate of the Applicable Issuer or other official document evidencing the due authorization, approval or consent of any governmental bodies, at the time having jurisdiction in the premises, together with an Opinion of Counsel of the Applicable Issuer that no other authorization, approval or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of the Notes applied for by it, or

(B) an Opinion of Counsel of the Applicable Issuer that no authorization, approval, or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of the Notes except as have been given; provided that the opinions of Latham & Watkins, LLP and Ogier, substantially in the forms of Exhibit C and Exhibit D, respectively, shall satisfy this clause (B).

(iii) *Co-Issuers' and Servicer's U.S. Counsel Opinion.* Opinions of Latham & Watkins LLP, special U.S. counsel to the Co-Issuers, and an opinion of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, counsel to the Servicer, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the forms of Exhibit C and Exhibit F.

(iv) *Issuer's Cayman Counsel Opinion.* An opinion of Ogier, Cayman Islands counsel to the Issuer, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit D.

(v) *Trustee's Counsel Opinion.* An opinion of Nixon Peabody LLP, counsel to the Trustee, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit E.

(vi) *Officers' Certificates of Co-Issuers Regarding Indenture.* An Officer's certificate of each of the Co-Issuers stating that, to the best of the Officer's knowledge,

(A) the Applicable Issuer is not in default under this Indenture and that the issuance of the Notes applied for by it will not result in a default or a breach of,

or be a default under, its organizational documents, any indenture or other agreement or instrument to which it is a party or by which it is bound, or any order of any court or administrative agency entered in any Proceeding to which it is a party or by which it may be bound or to which it may be subject;

(B) all conditions precedent in this Indenture relating to the authentication and delivery of the applicable Notes have been complied with; and

(C) all expenses due or accrued with respect to the Offering or relating to actions taken on or in connection with the Closing Date have been paid or reserves therefor have been made.

The Officer's certificate of the Issuer shall also state that, to the best of the Officer's knowledge, all of its representations and warranties contained in this Indenture are accurate as of the Closing Date.

(vii) *Hedge Agreements.* Executed copies of the Hedge Agreements being entered into on or entered into before the Closing Date, if any.

(viii) *Servicing Agreement.* Executed copy of the Servicing Agreement.

(ix) *Preference Shares.* Copies of executed Preference Share certificates to be issued on the Closing Date.

(x) *Preference Share Documents.* An executed counterpart of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

(xi) *Collateral Administration Agreement.* Executed copy of the Collateral Administration Agreement.

(xii) *Grant of Collateral Obligations.* Evidence of the Grant pursuant to the Granting Clauses of this Indenture of all of the Issuer's interest in the Collateral Obligations pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, on the Closing Date and Delivery of the Collateral Obligations (including any promissory notes and all other Underlying Instruments related to them to the extent received by the Issuer) to the Trustee or the Custodian as contemplated by Section 3.2.

(xiii) *Certificate of the Servicer.* A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, in the case of each Collateral Obligation pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, as the case may be, on the Closing Date and immediately before the delivery of the Collateral Obligation on the Closing Date:

(A) the "row/column combination" of the table appearing in the definition of "Ratings Matrix" selected by the Servicer on the Closing Date;

(B) the information with respect to the Collateral Obligation in the Schedule of Collateral Obligations is correct; and

(C) the Collateral Obligation satisfies the requirements of the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and of Section 3.1(a)(xx)(B);

(xiv) *Rating Letters.* An Officer's certificate of the Issuer to the effect that attached is an accurate copy of a letter signed by each Rating Agency and confirming that each Class of Notes rated by the Rating Agency has been assigned the applicable Initial Rating and that the ratings are in full force on the Closing Date.

(xv) *Accounts.* Evidence that each of the Accounts has been established.

(xvi) *Issuer Order for Deposit of Funds into Accounts.* An Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, authorizing the deposit of at least U.S.\$211,060,755.32 into the Collection Account for use pursuant to Section 7.19, the deposit of at least U.S.\$23,050,000 into the Closing Date Expense Account for use pursuant to Section 10.3(g) and the deposit of at least U.S.\$6,300,000 into the Interest Reserve Account for use pursuant to Section 10.3(i).

(xvii) *Irish Listing.* An Officer's certificate of the Issuer to the effect that application has been made to the Irish Stock Exchange to admit the Senior Notes to the Official List.

(xviii) *Issuer Order for Authentication of Notes.* An Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, directing the Trustee to authenticate the Notes in the amounts, in the registered names and with the CUSIP numbers in the Issuer Order.

(xix) *Accountants' Certificate.* An Accountants' Certificate satisfactory to the Issuer (A) confirming the information with respect to each Collateral Obligation on the Schedule of Collateral Obligations attached as Schedule 1, (B) confirming that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that the Issuer has purchased or committed to purchase in accordance with customary settlement procedures in the relevant markets, is approximately U.S.\$1,500,000,000, that each Concentration Limitation is satisfied taking into account all of the Collateral Obligations acquired as of the Closing Date (including binding agreements to purchase Collateral Obligations in effect on the Closing Date), that the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date and that the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date and a calculation of the Diversity Score, (C) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to this Section 3.1(a)(xix) and (D) confirming the weighted average purchase price of the Collateral Obligations.

(xx) *Certificate of the Issuer Regarding Collateral.* A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, to the knowledge of the Issuer, in the case of each Collateral Obligation pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, as the case may be, on the Closing Date and immediately before the delivery of the Collateral Obligation on the Closing Date:

(A) the Issuer is the owner of the Collateral Obligation free of any liens, claims, or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever except for those that are being released on the Closing Date and except for those Granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture;

(B) the Issuer has acquired its ownership in the Collateral Obligation in good faith without notice of any adverse claim, except as described in paragraph (A) above;

(C) the Issuer has not assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered any interest in the Collateral Obligation (or, if any interest in the Collateral Obligation has been assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered, it has been released before the Closing Date or is being released on the Closing Date) other than interests Granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture;

(D) the Issuer has full right to Grant a security interest in and assign and pledge the Collateral Obligation to the Trustee;

(E) upon Grant by the Issuer, the Trustee has a first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral Obligations and the other Collateral; and

(F) based solely on the Accountant's Certificate set forth in clause (xix) above, the weighted average purchase price of the Collateral Obligations in the Collateral as of the Closing Date is at least 90% of the aggregate par amount thereof.

(xxi) *Certificate of the Issuer Regarding Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice.* A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, on or prior to the Closing Date the Issuer provided to the Depository the Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice, substantially in the form of Exhibit I-2.

(xxii) *Other Documents.* Any other documents the Trustee reasonably requires. Nothing in this clause (xxii) shall imply or impose a duty on the part of the Trustee to require any other documents.

(b) Any Refinancing Note may be issued from time to time pursuant to Section 9.7 hereof. Any such Refinancing Notes shall be executed by the Applicable Issuer and delivered to the Trustee for authentication, and thereupon shall be authenticated and delivered by the Trustee upon and pursuant to Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee, together with delivery to the Trustee by the Issuer of an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that (A) such Refinancing Notes are duly authorized and validly issued by the Applicable Issuer pursuant to the Indenture, constituting the legal, valid and binding obligation of such Applicable Issuer, enforceable against such Issuer in accordance with its terms and (B) all conditions precedent under this Indenture, if any, applicable to the issuance, authentication and delivery of such Notes, have been satisfied.

### Section 3.2. ***Custodianship; Delivery of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments.***

(a) The Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall deliver or cause to be delivered to a custodian appointed by the Issuer, which shall be a Securities Intermediary (the "***Custodian***"), all Collateral in accordance with the definition of "Deliver." Initially, the Custodian shall be Investors Bank & Trust Company. Any successor custodian shall be a state or national bank or trust company that is not an Affiliate of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, has a long-term debt rating of at least "BBB+" by S&P and has capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000 and is a Securities Intermediary. Subject to the limited right to relocate Pledged Obligations as provided in Section 7.5(b), the Trustee shall hold all Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, other assets purchased in accordance with this Indenture (other than Loans, Participations and general intangibles) and Cash in the relevant Account established and maintained pursuant to Article 10, as to which in each case the Trustee

shall have entered into a securities account control agreement with the Custodian in accordance with Article 8 of the UCC providing, *inter alia*, that the establishment and maintenance of the Account shall be governed by the law of the State of New York.

(b) Each time that the Issuer, or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, directs or causes the acquisition of any Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other assets, the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) shall, if the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other asset is required to be, but has not already been, transferred to the relevant Account, cause the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other asset to be Delivered to the Custodian to be held in the Custodial Account (or in the case of any such asset that is not a Collateral Obligation, in the Account in which the funds used to purchase the asset are held in accordance with Article 10) for the benefit of the Trustee in accordance with this Indenture. The security interest of the Trustee in the funds or other property used in connection with the acquisition shall, immediately and without further action on the part of the Trustee, be released. The security interest of the Trustee shall nevertheless come into existence and continue in the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other asset so acquired, including all interests of the Issuer in to any contracts related to and proceeds of the Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments or other assets.

### Section 3.3. ***Representations as to Collateral.***

(a) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants to the Secured Parties as to the Collateral as follows (which representations are repeated on each day on which the Issuer acquires new Collateral):

(i) This Indenture creates a valid and continuing security interest (as defined in the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) in the Collateral in favor of the Trustee, which security interest is prior to all other liens, charges, claims, security interests, mortgages and other encumbrances, and is enforceable as such as against creditors of and purchasers from the Issuer.

(ii) Except for any Securities Lending Collateral and Synthetic Securities Collateral, the Issuer has good and marketable title to and is the owner of each item of Collateral free of any liens, claims, or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever except for liens (A) that are being released on the Closing Date and (B) granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture. The Issuer has a first priority security interest in all Securities Lending Collateral to secure all obligations of Securities Lending Counterparty under the Securities Lending Agreement and a first priority interest in all Synthetic Securities Collateral to secure all obligations of Synthetic Security Counterparty under the Synthetic Securities Agreement.

(iii) The Issuer has not assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered any interest in the Collateral (or, if any interest in the Collateral has been assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered, it has been released before the Closing Date or is being released on the Closing Date) other than interests granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture.

(iv) The Issuer has full right, and has received all consents and approvals required by the related Underlying Instruments, to grant a security interest in its rights in the Collateral to the Trustee.

(v) Each Collateral Obligation included in the Collateral satisfied the requirements of the definition of "Collateral Obligation" as of the date the Issuer committed to purchase the same or, in the case of the Loans with respect to which participations therein

were sold to Pre-Closing Parties and repurchased by the Issuer on the Closing Date, as of the Closing Date.

(vi) All Collateral Obligations, any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange did not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, and Eligible Investments (other than, in each case, "general intangibles" within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) have been and will have been credited to one of the Accounts. The securities intermediary for each Account has agreed to treat all assets credited to the Accounts as "financial assets" within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code.

(vii) The Issuer has pledged to the Trustee all of the Issuer's interest in each Collateral Obligation included in the Collateral pursuant to the Granting Clauses of this Indenture and has delivered each Collateral Obligation (including any promissory note and all its other Underlying Instruments to the extent received by the Issuer) to the Trustee or the Custodian as contemplated by Section 3.2.

(viii) Each of the Collateral constitutes "general intangibles," "certificated securities," "instruments," "securities entitlements," "uncertificated securities," "chattel paper" or "securities accounts," each within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code, or any other category of collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code as to which the Issuer has complied with its obligations under Section 3.3(b).

(ix) The Issuer has caused (or will have caused within 10 days following the Closing Date) the filing of appropriate financing statements in the proper filing offices in the appropriate jurisdictions under applicable law to perfect the security interest in the portion of the Collateral pledged to the Trustee under this Indenture that may be perfected by the filing of financing statements.

(x) The Issuer has not authorized the filing of and is not aware of any financing statements against the Issuer that include a description of collateral covering the Collateral other than any financing statement (A) relating to the security interest granted to the Trustee under this Indenture, (B) that has been terminated or (C) that names the Trustee as the secured party. On the date of this Indenture, the Issuer is not aware of any judgment or Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation or tax lien filings against the Issuer.

(xi) The Issuer has delivered to the Trustee a fully executed agreement pursuant to which the securities intermediary for each Account has agreed to comply with all instructions originated by the Trustee relating to the Account without further consent by the Issuer.

(xii) All original executed copies of each "instrument" (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral have been delivered to the Custodian, to the extent received by the Issuer. The Issuer has received confirmation from the Custodian that the Custodian has credited the instruments to one of the Accounts. None of the instruments that are or evidence the Collateral has any marks or notations indicating that they are then pledged or otherwise assigned to any Person other than the Trustee.

(xiii) The Accounts are not in the name of any Person other than the Issuer or the Trustee. The Issuer has not consented to the securities intermediary of any Account to comply with instructions of any Person other than the Trustee.

(xiv) All "certificated securities" (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral have been delivered to the Custodian, to the extent received by the Issuer, registered in the name of the Custodian or indorsed to the Custodian. The Issuer has received confirmation from the Custodian that the Custodian has credited such certificated securities to one of the Accounts.

(xv) The Issuer has caused all "uncertificated securities" (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral to be registered in the name of the Custodian.

(xvi) Upon grant by the Issuer, the Trustee has a first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral.

The parties to this Indenture shall not waive any of the representations in this Section 3.3, unless the Rating Condition is satisfied in connection with such waiver. The Issuer shall provide each of the Rating Agencies with prompt written notice of any breach of the representations contained in this Section 3.3 upon becoming aware thereof, and shall not waive a breach of any of the representations in this Section 3.3, unless the Rating Condition is satisfied (as determined after any adjustment or withdrawal of the ratings following notice of such breach) in connection with such waiver.

If the Issuer acquires Collateral that is not "general intangibles," "certificated securities," "instruments," "securities accounts," "chattel paper," "securities entitlements" or "uncertificated securities," each within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code, or another category of collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code as to which the Issuer has complied with its obligations under this Section 3.3(b), then on or before the date on which the Issuer acquires the Collateral, the Issuer (or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer) shall notify S&P and the Trustee (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) of its acquisition or intended acquisition of the Collateral and the Issuer shall represent to S&P and to the Trustee (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) as to the category of the Collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code and shall make any further representations as to the perfection and priority of the security interest in the Collateral Granted under this Indenture acceptable to S&P.

## ARTICLE 4

### SATISFACTION AND DISCHARGE

#### Section 4.1. *Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture.*

This Indenture shall be discharged and shall cease to be of further effect with respect to the Notes and the Collateral except as to:

- (i) rights of registration of transfer and exchange,
- (ii) substitution of mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Notes,



(iii) rights of Noteholders to receive payments of principal and interest on, or other amounts (including without limitation Extension Bonus Payments) owing in respect of, the Notes as provided in this Indenture,

(iv) the rights, indemnities, and immunities of the Trustee under this Indenture and the obligations of the Trustee under Section 7.3 of this Indenture with respect to the holding and paying of unclaimed funds,

(v) for so long as any Preference Shares remain Outstanding, any provisions hereof conferring any rights or remedies upon the Holders of the Preference Shares or the Preference Shares Paying Agent on behalf of the Holders of the Preference Shares, including but not limited to, the provisions of Articles 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15,

(vi) for so long as any Preference Shares remain Outstanding, the provisions of Articles 10, 11 and 12 relating to the acquisition, retention and disbursement of Collateral,

(vi) the rights, obligations, and immunities of the Servicer under this Indenture and under the Servicing Agreement, and

(vii) the rights of Noteholders as beneficiaries of this Indenture with respect to the property deposited with the Trustee and payable to any of them (and the Trustee, on demand of and at the expense of the Issuer, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture),

when:

(a) either:

(i) all Notes theretofore authenticated and delivered to Holders of Notes (other than (A) Notes that have been destroyed, lost or stolen and which have been replaced or paid as provided in Section 2.7 and (B) Notes for whose payment money has theretofore irrevocably been deposited in trust and thereafter repaid to the Issuer or discharged from the trust, as provided in Section 7.3), have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation; or

(ii) all Notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation

(A) have become payable, or

(B) will become payable at their Stated Maturity within one year, or

(C) are to be called for redemption pursuant to Article 9 under an arrangement satisfactory to the Trustee for the giving of notice of redemption by the Applicable Issuers pursuant to Section 9.3,

and the Issuer has irrevocably deposited with the Trustee, in trust for payment of the principal and interest on the Notes, Cash or non-callable obligations of the United States of America. The obligations deposited under Section 4.1(a)(ii) with respect to the other Notes must be entitled to the full faith and credit of the United States of America or be debt obligations that are rated "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, in an amount sufficient, as verified by a firm of Independent certified public accountants that are nationally recognized, to pay and discharge the entire indebtedness on the Notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation, for principal and interest to the date of the deposit (in the case of

Notes that have become payable), or to the respective Stated Maturity or the respective Redemption Date, as the case may be, and the Issuer shall have Granted to the Trustee a valid perfected security interest in the Eligible Investment that is of first priority, free of any adverse claim, and shall have furnished an Opinion of Counsel with respect thereto. Section 4.1(a)(ii) shall not apply if an election to act in accordance with Section 5.5(a) has been made and not rescinded. In addition, the Issuer shall cause delivery to the Trustee of a Tax Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the Noteholders would recognize no income, gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of the deposit and satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture;

(b) the Issuer has paid all other sums then payable under this Indenture by the Issuer and no other amounts are scheduled to be payable by the Issuer; and

(c) the Co-Issuers have delivered to the Trustee Officer's certificates and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent in this Indenture provided for relating to the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture have been complied with.

Notwithstanding the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture, the rights and obligations of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Servicer and, if applicable, the Noteholders, as the case may be, under Sections 2.8, 4.2, 5.4(d), 5.9, 5.18, 6.7, 6.8, 7.1, 7.3, 13.1, and 14.13 shall survive.

#### Section 4.2. ***Application of Trust Money.***

All monies deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 4.1 shall be held in trust for the Person entitled to it and applied by the Trustee in accordance with the Notes and this Indenture, including the Priority of Payments, to the payment of principal and interest, either directly or through any Paying Agent, as the Trustee may determine. The money shall be held in a segregated non-interest bearing trust account identified as being held in trust for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

#### Section 4.3. ***Repayment of Monies Held by Paying Agent.***

In connection with the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture with respect to the Notes, all monies then held by any Paying Agent other than the Trustee under this Indenture shall, upon demand of the Co-Issuers, be paid to the Trustee to be held and applied pursuant to Section 7.3 and in accordance with the Priority of Payments and thereupon the Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to the monies.

## ARTICLE 5

### REMEDIES

#### Section 5.1. ***Events of Default.***

"***Event of Default***," wherever used in this Indenture, means any one of the following events whatever the reason:

(a) a default for four Business Days in the payment of any interest on any Class of Notes that is currently part of the Controlling Class when it becomes payable (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, the Irish Paying Agent or the Indenture Registrar, after seven Business Days);

(b) a default in the payment of principal (including Deferred Interest) of any Note, when the same becomes payable, at its Stated Maturity or on the Redemption Date;

(c) the failure on any Payment Date to disburse amounts available in the Payment Account in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the failure continues for three Business Days;

(d) on any Measurement Date for so long as any Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2a Notes or Class A-2b Notes are Outstanding, the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio is less than 100%;

(e) either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral becomes an investment company under the Investment Company Act;

(f) breach of any other covenant or other agreement of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture (other than any failure to satisfy any of the Collateral Quality Tests, any of the Concentration Limitations, any of the Coverage Tests, the Retention Overcollateralization Test, or other covenants or agreements for which a specific remedy has been provided in this Section 5.1) in any material respect, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant thereto, or in connection therewith, to be correct in any material respect when made, and the breach or failure continues for 30 days after either of the Co-Issuers has actual knowledge of it or after notice to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, and the Servicer by the Trustee or to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class by registered or certified mail or overnight courier specifying the breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that the notice is a "Notice of Default" under this Indenture;

(g) the entry of a decree or order by a court having competent jurisdiction adjudging the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, or composition of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, and if the decree or order remains unstayed and in effect for 45 consecutive days;

(h) the institution by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of Proceedings to have the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as the case may be, adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings against the Issuer or Co-Issuer, or the filing by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Bankruptcy Law or any other similar applicable law, or the consent by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or the taking of any action by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in furtherance of any such action; or

(i) one or more final judgments is rendered against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer that exceed in the aggregate U.S.\$2,000,000 (or any lesser amount specified by any Rating Agency) and that remain unstayed, undischarged, and unsatisfied for 30 days after the judgments become nonappealable, unless adequate funds have been reserved or set aside for their payment, and unless (except as otherwise specified in writing by Moody's) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereon.

Section 5.2. *Notice of Event of Default; Acceleration of Maturity; Rescission and Annulment.*

(a) Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Trustee shall give prompt (and in no event later than five Business Days after becoming aware of such event) notice thereof to the Noteholders.

(b) If an Event of Default is continuing (other than an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h)), the Trustee may, with consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class, and shall, upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, declare the principal of all the Notes to be immediately payable by notice to the Applicable Issuers and the Noteholders, and upon that declaration the unpaid principal of all the Notes, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), and other amounts payable under this Indenture, shall become immediately payable. The Replacement Period shall terminate upon a declaration of acceleration (subject to re-commencement pursuant to Section 5.2(c)). If an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h) occurs, all unpaid principal, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), of all the Notes, and other amounts payable under this Indenture, shall automatically become payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any Noteholder and the Replacement Period shall terminate automatically (subject to re-commencement pursuant to Section 5.2(c)).

(c) At any time after the declaration of acceleration of maturity has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may rescind the declaration and its consequences:

(i) The Issuer or the Co-Issuer has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:

(A) all unpaid installments of interest and principal on the Notes then due;

(B) to the extent that payment of the interest is lawful, interest on any Deferred Interest and Defaulted Interest at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable;

(C) all Administrative Expenses of the Co-Issuers and other sums paid or advanced by the Trustee under this Indenture;

(D) all unpaid Senior Servicing Fees;

(E) all amounts then payable to any Hedge Counterparty; and

(ii) The Trustee has determined that all Events of Default, other than the non-payment of the interest on or principal of the Notes, have been (A) cured, and a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Trustee has agreed with that determination, or (B) waived as provided in Section 5.14.

No such rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right consequent thereon. The Issuer shall not terminate any Hedge Agreement at any time after a declaration of acceleration of Maturity of the Notes has been made, unless such declaration and its consequences may no longer be rescinded and annulled in accordance with this Section 5.2(c) and liquidation of the Collateral has begun.

If a declaration of acceleration is rescinded as described above:

(x) the Replacement Period, if terminated by the declaration, shall re-commence on the date of the rescission (unless the Replacement Period would have otherwise terminated before that date pursuant to clauses (i), (ii), or (iii) of its definition); and

(y) the Trustee shall retain the Collateral in accordance with this Indenture. If the retention of the Collateral is rescinded pursuant to Section 5.5, the Notes may again be accelerated pursuant to Section 5.2(b), notwithstanding any previous rescission of a declaration of acceleration pursuant to this Section 5.2(c)).

No rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right resulting from the Default.

(d) Notwithstanding anything in this Section 5.2 to the contrary, the Notes will not be subject to acceleration by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class or any other Holders solely as a result of the failure to pay any amount due on Notes that are not of the Controlling Class.

**Section 5.3. *Collection of Indebtedness and Suits for Enforcement by Trustee.***

The Applicable Issuers covenant that if a default occurs in the payment of any principal of or interest when payable on any Note, upon demand of the Trustee or the Holder of any affected Note, the Applicable Issuers shall pay to the Trustee, for the benefit of the Holder of the Note, the whole amount then payable on the Note for principal and interest with interest on the overdue principal and, to the extent that payments of the interest shall be legally enforceable, on overdue installments of interest and all other amounts owing to the Noteholders under this Indenture, at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable, and, in addition, an amount sufficient to cover the costs and expenses of collection, including the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee and the Holders and their agents and counsel.

If the Issuer or the Co-Issuer fails to pay those amounts immediately on demand, the Trustee, in its own name and as Trustee of an express trust, may (after giving prior written notice to the Controlling Class and absent the Trustee having received a written direction to the contrary from the Controlling Class), and shall at the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class (subject to Section 6.3(e)), institute a Proceeding for the collection of the sums due, may prosecute the Proceeding to judgment or final decree, and may enforce the same against the Applicable Issuers or any other obligor on the Notes and collect the monies determined to be payable in the manner provided by law out of the Collateral.

If an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee may (after giving prior written notice to the Controlling Class and absent the Trustee having received a written direction to the contrary from the Controlling Class), and shall upon written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class (subject to Section 6.3(e)), proceed to protect and enforce its rights and the rights of the Noteholders by any appropriate Proceedings as is deemed most effective (if no direction is received by the Trustee) or as the Trustee may be directed by a Majority of the Controlling Class, to protect and enforce the rights of the Trustee and the Noteholders, whether for the specific enforcement of any agreement in this Indenture or in aid of the exercise of any power granted in this Indenture, or to enforce any other proper remedy or legal or equitable right vested in the Trustee by this Indenture or by law. The reasonable compensation, costs, expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or paid by the Trustee and its agents and counsel, in connection with such Proceeding, including, without limitation, the exercise of any remedies pursuant to Section 5.4, shall be reimbursed to the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.8.

If any Proceedings are pending relating to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any other obligor on the Notes under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law, or if a receiver, assignee, or trustee in bankruptcy or reorganization, liquidator, sequestrator or similar official has been appointed for or taken possession of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or their respective property or any other obligor on the Notes or its property, or if any other comparable Proceedings are pending relating to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or other obligor on the Notes, or the creditors or property of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or other obligor on the Notes, the Trustee, regardless of whether the principal of any Notes is then payable by declaration or otherwise and regardless of whether the Trustee has made any demand pursuant to this Section 5.3, may, by intervention in the Proceedings or otherwise:

(a) file and prove claims for the whole amount of principal and interest owing and unpaid in respect of the Notes, and file any other papers or documents appropriate and take any other appropriate action (including sitting on a committee of creditors) to have the claims of the Trustee (including any claim for reasonable compensation to the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, and their respective agents, attorneys, and counsel, and for reimbursement of all expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, except as a result of negligence or bad faith) and of the Noteholders allowed in any Proceedings relating to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or other obligor on the Notes or to the creditors or property of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or other obligor on the Notes;

(b) unless prohibited by applicable law, vote on behalf of the Noteholders in any election of a trustee or a standby trustee in arrangement, reorganization, liquidation or other bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings or Person performing similar functions in comparable Proceedings; and

(c) collect and receive any monies or other property payable to or deliverable on any such claims, and distribute all amounts received with respect to the claims of the Noteholders and of the Trustee on their behalf; and any trustee, receiver or liquidator, custodian or other similar official is authorized by each of the Noteholders to make payments to the Trustee, and, if the Trustee consents to making payments directly to the Noteholders, to pay to the Trustee amounts sufficient to cover reasonable compensation to the Trustee, each predecessor Trustee, and their respective agents, attorneys, and counsel, and all other reasonable expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee except as a result of negligence or bad faith.

Nothing in this Indenture shall authorize the Trustee to authorize or consent to or vote for or accept or adopt on behalf of the Holder of any Note, any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition affecting the Notes or any Noteholder, or to authorize the Trustee to vote on the claim of the Holder of any Note in any Proceeding except, as aforesaid, to vote for the election of a trustee in bankruptcy or similar Person.

Notwithstanding anything in this Section 5.3 to the contrary, the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Collateral or institute Proceedings in furtherance of the sale or liquidation of the Collateral pursuant to this Section 5.3 except according to Section 5.5(a).

#### Section 5.4. ***Remedies.***

(a) If an Event of Default is continuing, and the Notes have been declared payable and the declaration and its consequences have not been rescinded, or at any time after the Stated Maturity, the Co-Issuers agree that the Trustee may (after giving prior written notice to the Controlling Class and absent the Trustee having received a written direction to the contrary from the Controlling Class), and shall, upon written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class (subject

to Section 6.3(e)), to the extent permitted by applicable law, exercise one or more of the following rights:

- (i) institute Proceedings for the collection of all amounts then payable on the Notes or otherwise payable under this Indenture, whether by declaration or otherwise, enforce any judgment obtained, and collect from the Collateral any monies adjudged due;
- (ii) sell or liquidate all or a portion of the Collateral or interests in it, at one or more public or private sales called and conducted in any manner permitted by law and in accordance with Section 5.17;
- (iii) institute Proceedings from time to time for the complete or partial foreclosure of this Indenture with respect to the Collateral;
- (iv) exercise any remedies of a secured party under the UCC and take any other appropriate action to protect and enforce the rights of the Trustee and the Noteholders under this Indenture; and
- (v) exercise any other rights that may be available at law or in equity;

*except* that the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Collateral or institute Proceedings in furtherance of the sale or liquidation of the Collateral pursuant to this Section 5.4 except according to Section 5.5(a).

(b) If an Event of Default as described in Section 5.1(f) is continuing the Trustee may, with the consent of, and shall, at the direction of, the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, subject to Section 5.8, institute a Proceeding solely to compel performance of the covenant or agreement or to cure the representation or warranty, the breach of which gave rise to the Event of Default under Section 5.1(f), and enforce any equitable decree or order arising from the Proceeding.

(c) Upon any sale, whether made under the power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, any Holders or the Servicer (subject to the Servicing Agreement) may bid for and purchase any part of the Collateral and, upon compliance with the terms of sale, may hold, retain, possess, or dispose of the Collateral in its or their own absolute right without accountability.

Upon any sale, whether made under the power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, the receipt of the Trustee, or of the Officer making a sale under judicial Proceedings, shall be a sufficient discharge to the purchasers at any sale for their purchase money, and the purchasers shall not be obliged to see to its application.

Any sale, whether under any power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, shall bind the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Noteholders, shall operate to divest all interest whatsoever, either at law or in equity, of each of them in the property sold, and shall be a perpetual bar, both at law and in equity, against each of them and their successors and assigns, and against all Persons claiming through or under them.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, none of the Trustee, the Secured Parties or the Noteholders may, before the date that is one year and one day (or if longer, any applicable preference period plus one day) after the payment in full of all Notes, institute against, or join any other Person in instituting against, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any bankruptcy,

reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium, or liquidation Proceedings, or other Proceedings under the Bankruptcy Law or any similar laws in any jurisdiction. Nothing in this Section 5.4 shall preclude the Trustee or any Secured Party (i) from taking any action before the expiration of that period in (A) any case or Proceeding voluntarily filed or commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or (B) any involuntary insolvency Proceeding filed or commenced by a Person other than a Secured Party or (ii) from commencing against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any of its properties any legal action that is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation Proceeding.

Section 5.5. ***Optional Retention of Collateral.***

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Indenture, if an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall retain the Collateral, collect, and cause the collection of the proceeds of the Collateral and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Collateral and the Notes, and any Hedge Agreements (other than amounts received under a Hedge Agreement that are used in putting a Replacement Hedge in place), in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Article 10 and Article 12 unless:

(i) the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, determines that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) of Section 11.1(a)(i) and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination; or

(ii) the Holders of a Super Majority of each of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral.

The Trustee shall give written notice of the retention of the Collateral to the Issuer with a copy to the Co-Issuer and the Servicer. So long as the Event of Default is continuing, any retention pursuant to this Section 5.5(a) may be rescinded at any time when the conditions specified in clause (i) or (ii) exist.

(b) Nothing contained in Section 5.5(a) shall be construed to require the Trustee to sell the Collateral if the conditions in clause (i) or (ii) of Section 5.5(a) are not satisfied. Nothing contained in Section 5.5(a) shall be construed to require the Trustee to retain the Collateral if prohibited by applicable law.

(c) In determining whether the condition specified in Section 5.5(a)(i) exists, the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, shall obtain bid prices with respect to each security contained in the Collateral from two nationally recognized dealers (or if there is only one market maker, that market maker and if there is no market maker, from a pricing service) selected and specified by the Servicer to the Trustee in writing, at the time making a market in those securities, and shall compute the anticipated proceeds of sale or liquidation on the basis of the lower of the bid prices for each security. In addition, for the purposes of determining issues relating to the valuation of the Collateral, the satisfaction of the conditions specified in this Indenture, the execution of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral, and the execution of a sale or other liquidation of the Collateral in connection with a determination whether the condition specified in Section 5.5(a)(i) exists, the



Trustee may retain, at the Issuer's expense, and rely on an opinion of an Independent investment banking firm of national reputation, which may be the Initial Purchaser.

The Trustee shall deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Noteholders, the Co-Issuers, the Servicer and the Hedge Counterparties a report stating the results of any determination required pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i). The Trustee shall make the determinations required by Section 5.5(a)(i) after an Event of Default at the request of a Majority of the Controlling Class at any time during which the Trustee retains the Collateral pursuant to Section 5.5(a). The Trustee shall obtain (at the Issuer's expense) a letter of a firm of Independent certified public accountants confirming the accuracy of each calculation made by the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) and certifying their conformity to the requirements of this Indenture.

(d) Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, the Trustee may not, and the Noteholders representing the requisite percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes specified in Section 5.4 or 5.5, may not instruct the Trustee to sell or liquidate or (except in connection with the concurrent execution of a Replacement Hedge) terminate any Hedge Agreement during the continuance of an Event of Default until all Collateral other than the Hedge Agreements has been sold or liquidated and its proceeds applied in accordance with this Indenture.

(e) Collateral may not be sold or liquidated pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) after the last date on which the sale or liquidation is permitted under Section 5.5(a)(i) with respect to a determination made pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) (the last permitted date being determined by the Trustee under Section 5.5(a)(i)), unless a new determination is made in accordance with Section 5.5(a)(i) and the Collateral is sold or liquidated before the last sale date permitted in accordance with the new determination.

**Section 5.6. *Trustee May Enforce Claims Without Possession of Notes.***

All rights of action and claims under this Indenture or under any of the Notes may be prosecuted and enforced by the Trustee without the possession of any of the Notes or their production in any trial or other Proceeding relating to them, and any Proceeding instituted by the Trustee shall be brought in its own name as trustee of an express trust, and any recovery of judgment shall be applied as provided in Section 5.7.

In any Proceedings brought by the Trustee (and any Proceedings involving the interpretation of any provision of this Indenture to which the Trustee shall be a party) the Trustee shall be held to represent all the Noteholders.

**Section 5.7. *Application of Money Collected.***

Any money collected by the Trustee with respect to the Notes pursuant to this Article 5 and any money that may then be held or subsequently received by the Trustee with respect to the Notes under this Indenture shall be applied, subject to Section 13.1 and in accordance with Section 11.1, at the dates fixed by the Trustee.

**Section 5.8. *Limitation on Suits.***

No Holder of any Note shall have any right to institute any Proceedings, judicial or otherwise, with respect to this Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy under this Indenture, unless:

- (a) the Holder has previously given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default;
- (b) the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute Proceedings with respect to the Event of Default in its own name as Trustee under this Indenture and the Holders have offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with the request;
- (c) the Trustee for 30 days after its receipt of the notice, request and offer of indemnity has failed to institute a Proceeding; and
- (d) no direction inconsistent with the written request has been given to the Trustee during the 30 day period by a Majority of the Controlling Class.

No Noteholder shall have any right in any manner whatsoever by virtue of, or by availing of, any provision of this Indenture to affect the rights of any other Noteholders of the same Class or to obtain or to seek to obtain priority or preference over any other Holders of Notes of the same Class or to enforce any right under this Indenture, except in the manner provided in this Indenture and for the equal and ratable benefit of all the Holders of Notes of the same Class subject to and in accordance with Section 13.1 and the Priority of Payments or Section 11.2, as the case may be.

If the Trustee receives conflicting or inconsistent requests and indemnity from two or more groups of Holders of the Controlling Class, each representing less than a Majority of the Controlling Class, the Trustee shall take the action requested by the Holders of the largest percentage in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, notwithstanding any other provisions of this Indenture but subject to Section 6.3(e).

#### Section 5.9. ***Unconditional Rights of Noteholders.***

Notwithstanding any provision of this Indenture other than this Section 5.9 and Sections 2.8(i), 5.4(d), and 13.1, the Holder of any Note shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive payment of the principal of and interest on the Note as it comes due in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Section 13.1, and, subject to Section 5.8, to institute proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment, and that right shall not be impaired without the consent of the Holder. Noteholders ranking junior to Notes still Outstanding may not institute proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment until no Note ranking senior to their Note remains Outstanding, subject to Section 5.8, and shall not be impaired without the consent of any such Holder. For so long as any Notes are Outstanding, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be entitled to any payment of any amount for payments to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, on a claim against the Issuer unless there are sufficient funds to pay such amounts to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

#### Section 5.10. ***Restoration of Rights and Remedies.***

If the Trustee or the Holder of any Note has instituted any Proceeding to enforce any right under this Indenture and the Proceeding has been discontinued or abandoned for any reason, or has been determined adversely to the Trustee or to the Holder, then, subject to any determination in the Proceeding, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Holder shall be restored to their former positions under this Indenture, and thereafter all rights of the Trustee and the Holder shall continue as though no Proceeding had been instituted.

Section 5.11. ***Rights and Remedies Cumulative.***

No right in this Indenture conferred on or reserved to the Trustee or to the Noteholders is intended to be exclusive of any other right, and every right shall, to the extent permitted by law, be cumulative and in addition to every other right given under this Indenture or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or otherwise. The assertion or employment of any right under this Indenture, or otherwise, shall not prevent the concurrent assertion or employment of any other appropriate right.

Section 5.12. ***Delay or Omission Not Waiver.***

No delay or omission of the Trustee or the Holder of any Note to exercise any right accruing upon any Event of Default shall impair the right or be a waiver of the Event of Default or an acquiescence in it or of a subsequent Event of Default. Every right given by this Article 5 or by law to the Trustee or to the Noteholders may be exercised from time to time, and as often as deemed expedient, by the Trustee or by the applicable Noteholders.

Section 5.13. ***Control by Majority of the Controlling Class.***

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, during the continuance of an Event of Default, a Majority of the Controlling Class may institute and direct the time, method and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any right of the Trustee with respect to the Notes if:

- (i) the direction does not conflict with any rule of law or with any express provision of this Indenture; and
- (ii) the Trustee has been indemnified to its reasonable satisfaction (and the Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability unless it has received an indemnity against the liability).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, only a Majority of the Controlling Class may direct proceedings with respect to remedies specified in Section 5.4(a) or otherwise with respect to the Collateral.

(b) The Trustee may take any other action deemed proper by the Trustee that is not inconsistent with a direction under Section 5.13(a). Subject to Section 6.1, the Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability or expense (unless the Trustee has received an indemnity against the liabilities and expenses reasonably satisfactory to it) and during the continuance of an Event of Default that has not been cured, or waived, the Trustee shall, before receiving directions from a Majority of the Controlling Class, exercise the rights expressly vested in it by this Indenture and use the same degree of care and skill in their exercise with respect to the Event of Default as is required by Section 6.1(b).

(c) Any direction to the Trustee to undertake a Sale of the Collateral shall be in accordance with Section 5.4 or 5.5.

Section 5.14. ***Waiver of Past Defaults.***

Before a judgment or decree for payment of any money due has been obtained by the Trustee, as provided in this Article 5, a Majority of the Controlling Class may on behalf of the Holders of all the Notes, with respect to the Notes waive any past Default and its consequences, except a Default:

- (a) in the payment of the principal or Redemption Price of any Note or in the payment of interest (including Defaulted Interest, Deferred Interest, and any interest on Defaulted Interest or Deferred Interest) on the Notes;
- (b) with respect to a provision of this Indenture that under Section 8.2 cannot be modified or amended without the waiver or consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected by the modification or amendment;
- (c) in the payment of amounts due to the Servicer, the Trustee or the Hedge Counterparty, which may only be waived with the consent of the affected party; or
- (d) arising as a result of an Event of Default described in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h).

Upon any such waiver, the Default shall cease to exist, and any Event of Default arising from it shall be cured, for every purpose of this Indenture, but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other Default or impair any right consequent thereto. The Trustee shall promptly give written notice of any such waiver to the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Noteholder.

**Section 5.15. *Undertaking for Costs.***

All parties to this Indenture agree, and each Holder of any Note by its acceptance of its Note agrees, that in any suit for the enforcement of any right under this Indenture, or in any suit against the Trustee or the Servicer for any action taken or omitted by it as Trustee or for any action taken or omitted by the Servicer, as applicable, any court may in its discretion require the filing by any party litigant in the suit of an undertaking to pay the costs of the suit, and that the court may in its discretion assess reasonable costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, against any party litigant in the suit, having due regard to the merits and good faith of the claims or defenses made by the party litigant. This Section 5.15 shall not apply to any suit instituted by the Trustee or the Servicer, to any suit instituted by any Holder, or group of Holders, of Notes holding in the aggregate more than 10% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, or to any suit instituted by any Noteholder for the enforcement of the payment of the principal of or interest on any Note or any other amount payable under this Indenture after the applicable Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, after the applicable Redemption Date).

**Section 5.16. *Waiver of Stay or Extension Laws.***

To the extent that they may lawfully do so, the Co-Issuers covenant that they will not at any time insist on, or plead, or in any manner whatsoever claim or take the benefit or advantage of, any stay or extension law or any valuation, appraisal, redemption, or marshalling law or rights, in each case wherever enacted, now or at any time hereafter in force, that may affect the covenants, the performance of, or any remedies under this Indenture. To the extent that they may lawfully do so, the Co-Issuers expressly waive all benefit or advantage of any such law or rights, and covenant that they shall not delay or impede the execution of any power in this Indenture granted to the Trustee or the Noteholders but will permit the execution of every power as though the law had not been enacted or rights created.

**Section 5.17. *Sale of Collateral.***

- (a) The power to effect any sale (a "***Sale***") of any portion of the Collateral pursuant to Sections 5.4 and 5.5 shall not be exhausted by any one or more Sales as to any portion of the Collateral remaining unsold, but shall continue unimpaired until the entire Collateral is sold or all

amounts secured by the Collateral have been paid. The Trustee may upon notice to the Noteholders and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), and shall, at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class with respect to Collateral, from time to time postpone any Sale by public announcement made at the time and place of the Sale. The Trustee waives its rights to any amount fixed by law as compensation for any Sale. The Trustee may deduct the reasonable expenses (including the reasonable fees and expenses of its agents and attorneys) incurred by it in connection with a Sale from its proceeds notwithstanding Section 6.8.

(b) The Trustee may bid for and acquire any portion of the Collateral in connection with a public Sale of the Collateral, and may pay all or part of the purchase price by crediting against amounts owing on the Notes or other amounts secured by the Collateral all or part of the net proceeds of the Sale after deducting the reasonable expenses incurred by the Trustee in connection with the Sale notwithstanding Section 6.8. The Notes need not be produced to complete any Sale, or for the net proceeds of the Sale to be credited against amounts owing on the Notes. The Trustee may hold, lease, operate, manage or otherwise deal with any property so acquired in any manner permitted by law in accordance with this Indenture.

(c) If any portion of the Collateral consists of securities issued without registration under the Securities Act ("**Unregistered Securities**"), the Trustee may seek an Opinion of Counsel, or, if no Opinion of Counsel can be obtained, seek a no action position from the Securities and Exchange Commission or any other relevant federal or state regulatory authorities, regarding the legality of a public or private Sale of the Unregistered Securities.

(d) The Trustee shall execute and deliver an appropriate instrument of transfer transferring its interest in any portion of the Collateral in connection with its Sale. In addition, the Trustee is irrevocably appointed the agent and attorney-in-fact of the Issuer to transfer its interest in any portion of the Collateral in connection with its Sale, and to take all action necessary to effect the Sale. No purchaser or transferee at a Sale shall be bound to ascertain the Trustee's authority, to inquire into the satisfaction of any conditions precedent, or see to the application of any monies.

#### Section 5.18. ***Action on the Notes.***

The Trustee's right to seek and recover judgment on the Notes or under this Indenture shall not be affected by the seeking or obtaining of or application for any other relief under or with respect to this Indenture. Neither the lien of this Indenture nor any rights or remedies of the Trustee or the Noteholders shall be impaired by the recovery of any judgment by the Trustee against the Issuer or by the levy of any execution under the judgment on any portion of the Collateral or on any of the assets of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

## ARTICLE 6

### THE TRUSTEE

#### Section 6.1. ***Certain Duties and Responsibilities.***

(a) Except during the continuance of an Event of Default known to the Trustee:

(i) the Trustee undertakes to perform the duties and only the duties specifically provided in this Indenture, and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Indenture against the Trustee; and

(ii) in the absence of bad faith on its part, the Trustee may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements and the correctness of the opinions expressed therein, on certificates or opinions furnished to the Trustee and conforming to the requirements of this Indenture; the Trustee shall examine any certificates or opinions that by any provision of this Indenture are specifically required to be furnished to the Trustee to determine whether or not they substantially conform on their face to the requirements of this Indenture and shall promptly notify the party delivering the same if the certificate or opinion does not conform. If a corrected form has not been delivered to the Trustee within 15 days after the notice from the Trustee, the Trustee shall so notify the Noteholders and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares).

(b) If the Trustee has actual knowledge that an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall, before the receipt of directions from a Majority of the Controlling Class, exercise the rights and powers vested in it by this Indenture, and use the same degree of care and skill in its exercise, as a prudent Person would use under the circumstances in the conduct of the Person's own affairs.

(c) No provision of this Indenture shall be construed to relieve the Trustee from liability for its own negligent action, its own negligent failure to act or its own willful misconduct, except that:

(i) this subsection shall not be construed to limit the effect of subsection (a) of this Section 6.1;

(ii) the Trustee shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by a Trust Officer, unless it is proven that the Trustee was negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts;

(iii) the Trustee shall not be liable with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in good faith in accordance with the direction of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or the Servicer in accordance with this Indenture or a Majority (or the other percentage required or permitted by this Indenture) of the Controlling Class (or other Class if required or permitted by this Indenture) relating to the time, method, and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred on the Trustee, under this Indenture; and

(iv) no provision of this Indenture shall require the Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any financial liability in the performance of any of its duties under this Indenture, or in the exercise of any of its rights contemplated under this Indenture, if it has reasonable grounds for believing that repayment of the funds or indemnity satisfactory to it against the risk or liability is not reasonably assured to it; provided that the reasonable costs of performing its ordinary services under this Indenture shall not be deemed a "financial liability" for purposes hereof.

(d) For all purposes under this Indenture, the Trustee shall not have notice or knowledge of any Event of Default described in Section 5.1(d) through 5.1(i) or any Default described in Section 5.1(e) through 5.1(i) unless a Trust Officer assigned to and working in the Corporate Trust Office has actual knowledge of it or unless written notice of any event that is in fact the an Event of Default or Default is received by the Trustee at the Corporate Trust Office, and the notice references the Notes generally, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Collateral or this Indenture. For purposes of determining the Trustee's responsibility and liability under this Indenture, whenever reference is made in this Indenture to an Event of Default or a Default, the reference shall be

construed to refer only to an Event of Default or Default of which the Trustee has notice as described in this Section 6.1.

(e) Whether or not therein expressly so provided, every provision of this Indenture relating to the conduct or affecting the liability of or affording protection to the Trustee shall be subject to this Section 6.1 and Section 6.3.

**Section 6.2. *Notice of Default.***

Promptly (and in no event later than five Business Days) after the occurrence of any Default known to the Trustee or after any declaration of acceleration has been made or delivered to the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.2, the Trustee shall transmit notice of all Defaults under this Indenture known to the Trustee, unless the Default has been cured or waived, and of the declaration by mail to the Servicer and the Co-Issuers, each Rating Agency, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and to all Noteholders, as their names and addresses appear on the Indenture Register, the Irish Stock Exchange, for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit H certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee).

**Section 6.3. *Certain Rights of Trustee.***

Except as otherwise provided in Section 6.1:

(a) the Trustee may rely and shall be protected in acting or refraining from acting on any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, note, or other paper or document (including but not limited to any reports prepared and delivered under Article 10) believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties;

(b) any request or direction of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer mentioned in this Indenture shall be sufficiently evidenced by an Issuer Request or Issuer Order;

(c) whenever in the administration of this Indenture the Trustee

(i) deems it desirable that a matter be proved or established before taking, suffering, or omitting any action under this Indenture, the Trustee may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely on an Officer's certificate (unless other evidence is specifically prescribed in this Indenture) or

(ii) is required to determine the value of, or any other matter with respect to, any Collateral or funds under this Indenture or the cash flows projected to be received therefrom, the Trustee may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely on reports of nationally recognized accountants, investment bankers or other persons qualified to provide the information required to make the determination, including nationally recognized dealers in securities of the type being valued and securities quotation services;

(d) as a condition to taking or omitting to take any action under this Indenture, the Trustee may consult with counsel and the advice of the counsel or any Opinion of Counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection with respect to any action taken or omitted by it under this Indenture in good faith and in reliance thereon;

(e) the Trustee need not exercise any of the rights or powers vested in it by this Indenture at the request or direction of any of the Noteholders pursuant to this Indenture, unless the Holders have offered to the Trustee security or indemnity satisfactory to it against the costs and liabilities that might reasonably be incurred by it in compliance with the request or direction;

(f) the Trustee need not make any investigation into the facts or matters stated in any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, note or other paper or document, but the Trustee, in its discretion, may, and upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, subject to Section 6.3(e), shall, make any the further inquiry or investigation into the facts or matters that it deems appropriate or as it is directed, and the Trustee shall be entitled, on reasonable prior notice to the Co-Issuers and the Servicer, to examine the books and records relating to the Notes, the Collateral, personally or by agent or attorney, during the Co-Issuers' or the Servicer's normal business hours. The Trustee shall, and shall cause its agents to, hold in confidence all such information, except to the extent (i) disclosure may be required by law by any regulatory or administrative authority and (ii) that the Trustee, in its sole judgment, determines that disclosure is consistent with its obligations under this Indenture; provided, however, that the Trustee may disclose on a confidential basis any such information to its agents, attorneys and auditors in connection with the performance of its responsibilities hereunder;

(g) the Trustee may execute any of the trusts or powers under this Indenture or perform any duties under this Indenture either directly or by or through agents or attorneys, and the Trustee shall not be responsible for any misconduct or negligence on the part of any non-Affiliated agent, or non-Affiliated attorney, appointed with due care by it under this Indenture;

(h) the Trustee shall not be liable for any action it takes or omits to take in good faith that it reasonably believes to be authorized or within its rights or powers under this Indenture;

(i) nothing in this Indenture shall be construed to impose an obligation on the Trustee to recalculate, evaluate, or verify any report, certificate or information received from the Issuer or Servicer;

(j) the Trustee may request and receive (and rely on) instruction from the Issuer, the Servicer, or the accountants identified in the Accountants' Certificate (and in the absence of its receipt of timely instruction from them, may obtain from an Independent accountant at the expense of the Issuer) as to the application of GAAP to the extent any defined term in this Indenture, or any calculation required to be made or determined by the Trustee under this Indenture, is dependent on or defined by reference to United States generally accepted accounting principles ("**GAAP**"), in any instance;

(k) the permissive rights of the Trustee to take or refrain from taking any actions enumerated in this Indenture are not duties;

(l) the Trustee is not responsible for the accuracy of the books and records of, or for any acts or omissions of, the Depository, any Transfer Agent, Custodian, Securities Intermediary, Collateral Administrator, Clearstream, Euroclear, Calculation Agent or any Paying Agent (in each case, other than the Bank acting in that capacity);

(m) in purchasing or disposing of any asset permitted by this Indenture, the Trustee is authorized to deal with itself (in its individual capacity) or with any one or more of its Affiliates, whether it or the Affiliate is acting as a subagent of the Trustee or for any third Person or dealing as principal for its own account. If otherwise qualified, obligations of the Bank or any of its Affiliates shall qualify as Eligible Investments under this Indenture; and



(n) if the Bank is also acting in the capacity of Paying Agent, Transfer Agent, Custodian, Calculation Agent or Securities Intermediary under this Indenture, the rights protections, immunities, and indemnities afforded to the Trustee pursuant to this Article 6 shall also be afforded to the Bank acting in those capacities.

**Section 6.4. *Not Responsible for Recitals or Issuance of the Notes.***

The recitals contained in this Indenture and in the Notes, other than the Certificate of Authentication, shall be taken as the statements of the Applicable Issuers. The Trustee assumes no responsibility for their correctness. The Trustee makes no representation as to the validity or sufficiency of this Indenture (except as may be made with respect to the validity of the Trustee's obligations under this Indenture), the Collateral or the Notes. The Trustee shall not be accountable for the use or application by the Co-Issuers of the Notes or their proceeds or any money paid to the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture.

**Section 6.5. *May Hold Notes.***

(a) The Trustee, any Paying Agent, Indenture Registrar or any other agent of the Co-Issuers, in its individual or any other capacity, may become the owner or pledgee of Notes and may otherwise deal with the Co-Issuers or any of their Affiliates with the same rights it would have if it were not Trustee, Paying Agent, Indenture Registrar or other agent.

**Section 6.6. *Acquisition of Class D Notes and Preference Shares.***

The Trustee, in its individual or any other capacity, agrees that after the initial distribution of the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares, neither the Trustee nor any of its affiliates (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) will acquire any Class D Notes or Preference Shares (including pursuant to a Maturity Extension, a Refinancing and the Amendment Buy-Out Option) unless such acquisition would not, as determined by the Trustee in reliance on representations made in the applicable transfer certificates with respect thereto, result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of any of the Class D Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such acquisition (determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA, this Indenture and the Preference Share Documents). Any Class D Notes or Preference Shares held as principal by the Trustee or any of its affiliates shall be disregarded and shall not be treated as outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% limitation to the extent that such person has represented that it is not a Benefit Plan Investor.

**Section 6.7. *Money Held in Trust.***

Money held by the Trustee under this Indenture shall be held in trust to the extent required in this Indenture. The Trustee shall be under no liability for interest on any money received by it under this Indenture except as otherwise agreed on with the Issuer and except to the extent of income or other gain on assets that are deposits in or certificates of deposit of the Bank in its commercial capacity and income or other gain actually received by the Trustee on Eligible Investments. Under no circumstances shall the Trustee be responsible for any losses on assets purchased in accordance with an Issuer Order or a written order or request by the Servicer, unless such asset is purchased in an obligation of the Trustee in its corporate capacity.

**Section 6.8. *Compensation and Reimbursement.***

(a) The Issuer agrees:

(i) to pay the Trustee on each Payment Date reasonable compensation for all services rendered by it under this Indenture in accordance with its letter agreement with the Trustee (which compensation shall not be limited by any provision of law in regard to the compensation of a trustee of an express trust);

(ii) except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture or in its letter agreement with the Trustee, to reimburse the Trustee in a timely manner upon its request for all reasonable expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or made by the Trustee in accordance with this Indenture (including securities transaction charges and the reasonable compensation and expenses and disbursements of its agents and legal counsel and of any accounting firm or investment banking firm employed by the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.4, 5.5, 10.5 or 10.7, except any such expense, disbursement or advance attributable to its negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith) but with respect to securities transaction charges, only to the extent they have not been waived during a Due Period due to the Trustee's receipt of a payment from a financial institution with respect to certain Eligible Investments, as specified by the Servicer;

(iii) to indemnify the Trustee and its officers, directors, employees and agents for any loss, liability or expense (including reasonable attorney's fees and costs) incurred without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith on their part, arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of this trust, including the costs and expenses of defending themselves against any claim or liability in connection with the exercise or performance of any of their powers or duties under this Indenture; and

(iv) to pay the Trustee reasonable additional compensation together with its expenses (including reasonable counsel fees and costs) for any collection action taken pursuant to Section 6.14.

(b) The Trustee shall receive amounts pursuant to this Section 6.8 as provided in Sections 11.1(a)(i) and (ii) but only to the extent that funds are available for their payment. Subject to Section 6.10, the Trustee shall continue to serve as Trustee under this Indenture notwithstanding the fact that the Trustee has not received amounts due to it under this Indenture. No direction by the Noteholders shall affect the right of the Trustee to collect amounts owed to it under this Indenture. If on any date when a fee is payable to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture insufficient funds are available for its payment any portion of a fee not so paid shall be deferred and payable on the next date on which a fee is payable and sufficient funds are available for it.

(c) The Trustee agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy for the non-payment to the Trustee of any amounts provided by this Section 6.8 until at least one year and one day, or if longer the applicable preference period then in effect plus one day, after the payment in full of all Notes issued under this Indenture and the payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent of all amounts payable with respect to the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Nothing in this Section 6.8(c) shall prohibit or otherwise prevent the Trustee from filing proofs of claim in any bankruptcy, insolvency or similar proceeding.

#### Section 6.9. ***Corporate Trustee Required; Eligibility.***

There shall at all times be a Trustee under this Indenture that is an Independent "bank" (within the meaning of the Investment Company Act) organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America or of any state of the United States, authorized under those laws to exercise corporate trust powers, having a combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000, subject to supervision or examination by federal or state banking authority, having a rating of at least

"Baa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) by Moody's and at least "BBB+" by S&P, and having an office within the United States. In addition, the Trustee shall not be "affiliated" (within the meaning of Rule 405 under the Securities Act) with either of the Co-Issuers or any person involved in the organization or operation of either of the Co-Issuers and shall not provide credit or credit enhancement to either of the Co-Issuers. If the Trustee publishes reports of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or to the requirements of its supervising or examining authority, then for the purposes of this Section 6.9, the combined capital and surplus of the Trustee shall be its combined capital and surplus in its most recent published report of condition. If at any time the Trustee ceases to be eligible in accordance with this Section 6.9, it shall resign immediately in the manner and with the effect specified in Section 6.10.

**Section 6.10. *Resignation and Removal; Appointment of Successor.***

(a) No resignation or removal of the Trustee and no appointment of a successor Trustee pursuant to this Article 6 shall become effective until the acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee under Section 6.11. The indemnification in favor of the Trustee shall survive any resignation or removal of the Trustee.

(b) The Trustee may resign at any time by giving not less than 30 days written notice to the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Securities) and each Rating Agency. Upon receiving the notice of resignation, the Co-Issuers shall by Board Resolution (or, if an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class) promptly appoint a successor trustee satisfying the requirements of Section 6.9, by written instrument, in duplicate, executed by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer and an Authorized Officer of the Co-Issuer, one copy of which shall be delivered to the resigning Trustee and one copy to the successor Trustee, together with a copy to each Noteholder, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Securities) and the Servicer. If no successor Trustee has been appointed and an instrument of acceptance by a successor Trustee has not been delivered to the Trustee within 60 days after the giving of the notice of resignation, the resigning Trustee or any Noteholder, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee satisfying the requirements of Section 6.9.

(c) The Trustee may be removed (i) at any time by the Co-Issuers as directed by Board Resolution (or, if an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, by an Act of a Majority of the Controlling Class) or (ii) by order of a court of competent jurisdiction, delivered to the Trustee and to the Co-Issuers.

(d) If at any time:

(i) the Trustee ceases to be eligible under Section 6.9 and fails to resign after written request by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class; or

(ii) the Trustee becomes incapable of acting or is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent or a receiver or liquidator of the Trustee or of its property appointed or any public officer takes charge or control of the Trustee or of its property or affairs for the purpose of rehabilitation, conservation or liquidation,

then, in any such case (subject to Section 6.10(a)), (A) the Co-Issuers, by Issuer Order (as directed by Board Resolution), may, and at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall, remove

the Trustee or (B) subject to Section 5.15, or any Holder may, on behalf of itself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(e) If the Trustee is removed or becomes incapable of acting, or if a vacancy occurs in the office of the Trustee for any reason (other than resignation), the Co-Issuers, by Issuer Order (as directed by Board Resolution) or at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, shall promptly appoint a successor Trustee. If the Co-Issuers fail to appoint a successor Trustee within 60 days after the removal or incapability or the occurrence of the vacancy, a successor Trustee may be appointed by a Majority of the Controlling Class by written instrument delivered to the Issuer and the retiring Trustee. The successor Trustee so appointed shall, upon its acceptance of its appointment, become the successor Trustee and supersede any successor Trustee proposed by the Co-Issuers. If no successor Trustee has been so appointed by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class and accepted appointment pursuant to Section 6.11, subject to Section 5.15, then the Trustee to be replaced, or any Holder, may, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(f) The Co-Issuers shall give prompt notice of each resignation and each removal of the Trustee and each appointment of a successor Trustee by mailing written notice of the event by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the Servicer, to each Rating Agency, to the Noteholders as their names and addresses appear in the Indenture Register, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Securities). Each notice shall include the name of the successor Trustee and the address of its Corporate Trust Office. If the Co-Issuers fail to mail the notice within 10 days after acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee, the successor Trustee shall cause the notice to be given at the expense of the Co-Issuers.

**Section 6.11. *Acceptance of Appointment by Successor.***

Every successor Trustee appointed under this Indenture shall execute, acknowledge, and deliver to the Co-Issuers and the retiring Trustee an instrument accepting its appointment. Upon delivery of the required instruments, the resignation or removal of the retiring Trustee shall become effective and the successor Trustee, without any further act, shall become vested with all the rights and obligations of the retiring Trustee; but, on request of the Co-Issuers or a Majority of any Class of Notes or the successor Trustee, the retiring Trustee shall, upon payment of any amounts then due to it, execute and deliver an instrument transferring to the successor Trustee all the rights and obligations of the retiring Trustee, and shall duly assign, transfer and deliver to the successor Trustee all property and money held by the retiring Trustee under this Indenture. Upon request of any successor Trustee, the Co-Issuers shall execute any instruments to more fully and certainly vest in and confirm to the successor Trustee all the rights and obligations of the Trustee under this Indenture.

No successor Trustee shall accept its appointment unless at the time of its acceptance the successor is qualified and eligible under Section 6.9 and either (a) each Rating Agency has been notified and the successor has long-term debt rated within the four highest rating categories by each Rating Agency, or (b) if not rated within the four highest categories by each Rating Agency, the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto.

**Section 6.12. *Merger, Conversion, Consolidation, or Succession to Business of Trustee.***

Any entity into which the Trustee may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any entity resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the

Trustee is a party, or any entity succeeding to all or substantially all of the corporate trust business of the Trustee, shall be the successor of the Trustee under this Indenture (and of the Bank under all of its other capacities under this Indenture, including as Custodian, Securities Intermediary, Indenture Registrar and Paying Agent) without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto. If any of the Notes have been authenticated, but not delivered, by the Trustee then in office, any successor by merger, conversion or consolidation to the authenticating Trustee may adopt the authentication and deliver the Notes so authenticated with the same effect as if the successor Trustee had itself authenticated the Notes.

Section 6.13. *Co-Trustees.*

At any time, to meet the legal requirements of any jurisdiction in which any part of the Collateral may at the time be located, the Co-Issuers and the Trustee may appoint a co-trustee (subject to the approval of the Rating Agencies) to act jointly with the Trustee, with respect to all or any part of the Collateral, with the power to file proofs of claim and take any other actions pursuant to Section 5.6 in this Indenture and to make claims and enforce rights of action on behalf of the Noteholders, as the Holders themselves have the right to do, subject to the other provisions of this Section 6.13.

The Co-Issuers shall join with the Trustee in the execution, delivery and performance of all instruments and agreements necessary or proper to appoint a co-trustee. If the Co-Issuers do not join in the appointment within 15 days after they receive a request to do so, the Trustee may make the appointment.

Any instruments to more fully confirm a co-trustee's appointment shall, on request, be executed, acknowledged and delivered by the Co-Issuers. The Co-Issuers agree to pay (but only from and to the extent of the Collateral), to the extent funds are available therefor under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1), any reasonable fees and expenses in connection with the appointment.

Every co-trustee shall, to the extent permitted by law, but to that extent only, be appointed subject to the following terms:

(a) the Notes shall be authenticated and delivered and all rights and obligations under this Indenture in respect of the custody of securities, cash and other personal property held by, or required to be deposited or pledged with, the Trustee under this Indenture, shall be exercised solely by the Trustee;

(b) the rights and obligations conferred or imposed on the Trustee in respect of any property covered by the appointment of a co-trustee shall be conferred or imposed on and exercised or performed by the Trustee or by the Trustee and the co-trustee jointly as provided in the instrument appointing the co-trustee;

(c) the Trustee at any time, by an instrument in writing executed by it, with the concurrence of the Co-Issuers evidenced by an Issuer Order, may accept the resignation of or remove any co-trustee appointed under this Section 6.13, and if an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall have the power to accept the resignation of, or remove, any co-trustee without the concurrence of the Co-Issuers. A successor to any co-trustee so resigned or removed may be appointed in the manner provided in this Section 6.13;

(d) no co-trustee under this Indenture shall be personally liable because of any act or omission of the Trustee under this Indenture;

(e) the Trustee shall not be liable because of any act or omission of a co-trustee; and

(f) any Act of Noteholders delivered to the Trustee shall be deemed to have been delivered to each co-trustee.

**Section 6.14. *Certain Duties of Trustee Related to Delayed Payment of Proceeds.***

If in any month the Trustee has not received a payment with respect to any Pledged Obligation on its Due Date:

(a) the Trustee shall promptly notify the Issuer and the Servicer in writing, and

(b) unless the payment is received by the Trustee within three Business Days (or the end of the applicable grace period for the payment, if longer) after the notice, or unless the Issuer, in its absolute discretion (but only to the extent permitted by Section 10.2(a)), makes provision for the payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with Section 10.2(a),

the Trustee shall request the issuer of the Pledged Obligation, the trustee under the related Underlying Instrument, or paying agent designated by either of them to make the payment as soon as practicable after the request but in no event later than three Business Days after the date of the request. If the payment is not made within that time period, the Trustee, subject to clause (iv) of Section 6.1(c), shall take the action directed by the Servicer in writing. Any such action shall be without prejudice to any right to claim a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture. If the Issuer or the Servicer requests a release of a Pledged Obligation or delivers a Collateral Obligation in connection with any such action under the Servicing Agreement, the release or substitution shall be subject to Section 10.6 and Article 12. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the Trustee shall deliver to the Issuer or its designee any payment with respect to any Pledged Obligation or any Collateral Obligation received after its Due Date to the extent the Issuer previously made provisions for the payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with this Section 6.14 and the payment shall not be part of the Collateral.

**Section 6.15. *Authenticating Agents.***

Upon the request of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee shall, and if the Trustee so chooses the Trustee may, appoint one or more Authenticating Agents with power to act on its behalf and subject to its direction in the authentication of the Notes in connection with issuance, transfers, and exchanges under Sections 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, and 8.5, as fully to all intents and purposes as though each Authenticating Agent had been expressly authorized by those Sections to authenticate the Notes. For all purposes of this Indenture, the authentication of Notes by an Authenticating Agent pursuant to this Section 6.15 shall be the authentication of the Notes "by the Trustee."

Any Authenticating Agent may at any time resign by giving written notice of resignation to the Trustee and the Issuer. The Trustee may at any time terminate the agency of any Authenticating Agent by giving written notice of termination to the Authenticating Agent and the Co-Issuers.

The Co-Issuers agree to pay to each Authenticating Agent from time to time reasonable compensation for its services, and reimbursement for its reasonable expenses relating to its services as an Administrative Expense; provided, however, that if the Trustee elects to appoint an Authenticating Agent without the approval or request of the Co-Issuers, then the Trustee shall pay such compensation and reimbursement. Sections 2.9, 6.4, and 6.5 shall be applicable to any Authenticating Agent.

Section 6.16. ***Fiduciary for Noteholders Only; Agent for Secured Parties.***

With respect to the security interest created under this Indenture, the delivery of any Pledged Obligation to the Trustee is to the Trustee as representative of the Noteholders and agent for the other Secured Parties. In furtherance of the foregoing, the possession by the Trustee of any Pledged Obligation and the endorsement to or registration in the name of the Trustee of any Pledged Obligation (including as entitlement holder of the Custodial Account) are all undertaken by the Trustee in its capacity as representative of the Noteholders and agent for the other Secured Parties.

Section 6.17. ***Representations and Warranties of the Bank.***

The Bank represents and warrants as follows for the benefit of the Noteholders:

(a) ***Organization.*** The Bank has been duly organized and is validly existing as a national banking association and has the power to conduct its business and affairs as a trustee.

(b) ***Authorization; Binding Obligations.*** The Bank has the corporate power and authority to perform the duties and obligations of trustee under this Indenture. The Bank has taken all necessary corporate action to authorize the execution, delivery and performance of this Indenture, and all of the documents required to be executed by the Bank pursuant to this Indenture. Upon execution and delivery by the Bank, this Indenture will be the valid and legally binding obligation of the Bank enforceable in accordance with its terms.

(c) ***Eligibility.*** The Bank is eligible under Section 6.9 to serve as Trustee under this Indenture.

Section 6.18. ***Additional Reporting Requirements.***

If the Initial Purchaser elects to enter into a posting dealer agreement pursuant to Section 7.20, upon the effectiveness of the posting dealer agreement, the Issuer shall provide to The Bond Market Association certain documents for posting in the Repository as mutually agreed between the Servicer and the Initial Purchaser.

If the Initial Purchaser has entered into a posting dealer agreement, as promptly as possible following the execution of any supplemental indenture under Article 8, the Trustee at the expense of the Issuer shall deliver a copy of such supplemental indenture to the Repository in the manner described in Section 14.3(a)(ix).

Section 6.19. ***Withholding Tax Forms.***

The Issuer hereby agrees to deliver or cause to be delivered, a United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-8BEN (or successor form thereto) or any other appropriate tax certificates to the relevant issuer of its Collateral Obligations and issuer of its Eligible Investments at the time such Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments are purchased by the Issuer and thereafter as required under the relevant law. In addition, the Issuer hereby agrees to deliver, and the Issuer shall be required to deliver, United States Internal Revenue Service Forms W-8BEN (or successor form thereto) and other appropriate United States tax forms as may be required by the Hedge Counterparty, to the Hedge Counterparty at the time the Hedge Agreement is entered into and thereafter prior to the expiration or obsolescence of such form, and shall take any other action appropriate to prevent withholding or backup withholding tax on the Hedge Agreements. The Issuer shall represent, to the Hedge Counterparty in the master agreement, confirmation or schedule to the Hedge Agreement, that the Issuer is a “non-U.S. branch” of a foreign person as that term is used in

section 1.1441-4(a)(3)(ii) of the United States Treasury Regulations and a “foreign person” as that term is used in Section 1.6041-4(a)(4) of the United States Treasury Regulations. The Issuer will request that the Hedge Counterparty provide the Issuer a United States Internal Revenue Service Forms W-9 or W-8, as applicable, together with any required attachments, at the time the Hedge Agreement is entered into and thereafter prior to the expiration or obsolescence of such form.

## ARTICLE 7

### COVENANTS

#### Section 7.1. *Payment of Principal and Interest.*

The Applicable Issuers shall pay the principal of and interest on the Notes in accordance with the Notes and this Indenture.

The Issuer shall, subject to the Priority of Payments, reimburse the Co-Issuer for any amounts paid by the Co-Issuer pursuant to the Senior Notes or this Indenture. The Co-Issuer shall not reimburse the Issuer for any amounts paid by the Issuer pursuant to the Notes or this Indenture.

Amounts properly withheld under the Code or other applicable law by any Person from a payment to any Holder shall be considered as having been paid by the Applicable Issuers to the Holder for all purposes of this Indenture.

#### Section 7.2. *Maintenance of Office or Agency.*

The Co-Issuers appoint the Trustee as a Paying Agent for the payment of principal of and interest on the Notes. The Co-Issuers appoint Investors Bank & Trust Company, 200 Clarendon Street, Mailcode EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116, Attn: CDO Services Group, as the Co-Issuers' agent where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Notes or this Indenture may be served and where the Notes may be surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

The Co-Issuers may at any time and from time to time vary or terminate the appointment of any Paying Agent or appoint any additional agents for all of these purposes.

The Co-Issuers shall maintain in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, an office or agency where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Notes and this Indenture may be served, which office will initially be the office of Investors Bank & Trust Company, an Affiliate of the Trustee, located at 33 Maiden Lane, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10038, and an office or agency outside of the United States where the Notes may be presented and surrendered for payment.

No paying agent shall be appointed in a jurisdiction that subjects payments on the Notes to withholding tax.

So long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, the Co-Issuers shall maintain in Ireland a Paying Agent and an office or agency where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Senior Notes and this Indenture may be served and where the Senior Notes may be surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.



The Co-Issuers appoint, for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, AIB International Financial Services Ltd. (the "***Irish Paying Agent***") as Paying Agent in Ireland with respect to the Senior Notes, for the payment of principal, interest and other distributions on the Senior Notes and as the Co-Issuers' agent where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Senior Notes or this Indenture may be served. If the Irish Paying Agent is replaced at any time when any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, notice of the appointment of any replacement shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange as promptly as practicable after the appointment. The Co-Issuers shall give prompt written notice to the Trustee, each Rating Agency, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and the Holders of the Senior Notes of the appointment or termination of any such agent and of the location and any change in the location of any such office or agency.

If at any time the Co-Issuers fail to maintain any required office or agency in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, or outside the United States, or fail to furnish the Trustee with their addresses, notices and demands may be served on the Co-Issuers.

**Section 7.3. *Money for Note Payments to be Held in Trust.***

All payments of amounts payable with respect to any Notes that are to be made from amounts withdrawn from the Payment Account shall be made on behalf of the Applicable Issuers by the Trustee or a Paying Agent with respect to payments on the Notes.

When the Applicable Issuers have a Paying Agent that is not also the Indenture Registrar, they shall furnish not later than the fifth calendar day after each Record Date a list in the form the Paying Agent reasonably requests, of the names and addresses of the Holders and of the certificate numbers of individual Notes held by each Holder.

Whenever the Applicable Issuers have a Paying Agent other than the Trustee, they shall, on or before the Business Day before each Payment Date or Redemption Date direct the Trustee to deposit on the Payment Date with the Paying Agent an aggregate sum sufficient to pay the amounts then becoming due (to the extent funds are then available for that purpose in the Payment Account), that sum to be held in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled to it and (unless the Paying Agent is the Trustee) the Co-Issuers shall promptly notify the Trustee of its action or failure so to act. Any monies deposited with a Paying Agent (other than the Trustee) in excess of an amount sufficient to pay the amounts then becoming due on the Notes with respect to which the deposit was made shall be paid over by the Paying Agent to the Trustee for application in accordance with Article 10.

Additional or successor Paying Agents shall be appointed by Issuer Order with written notice of the appointment to the Trustee. So long as Notes of any Class are rated by a Rating Agency any Paying Agent must either have a long-term debt rating of "Aa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or higher by Moody's and "AA-" or higher by S&P or a short-term debt rating of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P or the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency must be satisfied with respect to its appointment. If a successor Paying Agent ceases to have a long-term debt rating of "Aa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or higher by Moody's and "AA-" or higher by S&P or a short-term debt rating of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) by Moody's and a short-term debt rating of "A-1+" by S&P, the Co-Issuers shall promptly remove the Paying Agent and appoint a successor Paying Agent. The Co-Issuers shall not appoint any Paying Agent that is not, at the time of the appointment, a depository institution or trust company subject to supervision and examination by federal or state or national banking authorities. The Co-Issuers shall cause each

Paying Agent other than the Trustee to execute and deliver to the Trustee an instrument in which the Paying Agent agrees with the Trustee, subject to this Section 7.3, that the Paying Agent will:

- (i) allocate all sums received for payment to the Noteholders for which it acts as Paying Agent on each Payment Date and any Redemption Date among the Holders in the proportion specified in the applicable report to the extent permitted by applicable law;
- (ii) hold all sums held by it for the payment of amounts due with respect to the Notes in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled to them until they are paid or otherwise disposed of as provided in this Indenture;
- (iii) immediately resign as a Paying Agent and forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums held by it in trust for the payment of the Notes if at any time it ceases to meet the standards required to be met by a Paying Agent at the time of its appointment;
- (iv) immediately give the Trustee notice of any default by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer (or any other obligor on the Notes) in the making of any payment required to be made; and
- (v) during the continuance of any such default, upon the written request of the Trustee, forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums so held in trust by the Paying Agent.

To obtain the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture or for any other purpose, the Co-Issuers may at any time pay, or by Issuer Order direct any Paying Agent to pay, to the Trustee all sums held in trust by the Co-Issuers or the Paying Agent, and, upon the payment by any Paying Agent to the Trustee, the Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to the money paid.

Any money deposited with a Paying Agent and not previously returned that remains unclaimed for 20 Business Days shall be returned to the Trustee. Except as otherwise required by applicable law, any money deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for the payment of the principal of or interest on any Note and remaining unclaimed for two years after the principal or interest has become payable shall be paid to the Applicable Issuers. The Noteholder shall thereafter look only to the Applicable Issuers for payment of the amounts due to it as an unsecured general creditor and all liability of the Trustee or the Paying Agent with respect to that money (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Applicable Issuers) shall thereupon cease. The Trustee or the Paying Agent, before being required to release any payment, may, but shall not be required to, adopt and employ, at the expense of the Applicable Issuers any reasonable means of notification of the release of the payment, including mailing notice of the release to Holders whose Notes have been called but have not been surrendered for redemption or whose right to or interest in monies payable but not claimed is determinable from the records of any Paying Agent, at the last address of record of each Holder.

#### Section 7.4. *Existence of Co-Issuers.*

(a) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall maintain in full force their existence and rights as companies incorporated or organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands and the State of Delaware, respectively, and shall obtain and preserve their qualification to do business as foreign corporations in each jurisdiction in which the qualifications are necessary to protect the validity and enforceability of this Indenture, the Notes, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and any of the Collateral.

However, the Issuer may change its jurisdiction of incorporation from the Cayman Islands to any other jurisdiction reasonably selected by the Issuer so long as:

(A) the Issuer has received a legal opinion (on which the Trustee may rely) to the effect that the change is not disadvantageous in any material respect to the Holders, the Servicer or any Hedge Counterparty,

(B) written notice of the change has been given by the Issuer to the Trustee, the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer, any Hedge Counterparty and each Rating Agency, and

(C) on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> Business Day following its receipt of the notice the Trustee has not received written notice from a Majority of the Controlling Class objecting to the change.

The Issuer may take any action required by this Indenture within the United States notwithstanding any provision of this Indenture requiring the Issuer to take the action outside of the United States so long as before taking the action the Issuer receives a Tax Opinion of Counsel to the effect that it is not necessary to take the action outside of the United States or any political subdivision of the United States to prevent the Issuer from becoming subject to any United States federal, state, or local withholding or other taxes.

(b) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall ensure that all corporate or other formalities regarding their respective existences (including holding regular board of directors' and shareholders', or other similar, meetings to the extent required by applicable law) are followed. Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall take any action or conduct its affairs in a manner that is likely to result in its separate existence being ignored or in its assets and liabilities being substantively consolidated with any other Person in a bankruptcy, reorganization or other insolvency proceeding. Without limiting the foregoing,

(i) the Issuer shall not have any subsidiaries,

(ii) the Co-Issuer shall not have any subsidiaries,

(iii) the Issuer shall maintain at all times at least one director who is Independent of the Servicer, the Trustee and any of their respective Affiliates,

(iv) the Issuer shall not commingle its funds with the funds of any other Person, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture, and

(v) except to the extent contemplated in the Servicing Agreement, the Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Investors Corp. Subscription Agreement and the declaration of trust by the Share Trustee, the Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall not:

(A) engage in any transaction with any shareholder that would be a conflict of interest (the entry into the Administration Agreement with the Administrator shall not be deemed a conflict of interest), or

(B) pay dividends in violation of this Indenture, the resolutions of its board of directors and the Preference Share Documents.

Section 7.5. ***Protection of Collateral.***

(a) The Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will procure any action within the Servicer's control that is reasonably necessary to maintain the perfection and priority of the security interest of the Trustee in the Collateral. The Issuer from time to time shall execute and deliver any supplements and amendments to this Indenture and shall execute and deliver any Financing Statements, continuation statements, instruments of further assurance, and other instruments and shall take any other action appropriate to secure the rights and remedies of the Secured Parties under this Indenture and to:

- (i) Grant more effectively all or any portion of the Collateral;
- (ii) maintain or preserve the lien (and its priority) of this Indenture or to carry out more effectively the purposes of this Indenture;
- (iii) perfect, publish notice of, or protect the validity of, any Grant made by this Indenture (including any actions appropriate as a result of changes in law);
- (iv) enforce any of the Pledged Obligations or other instruments or property included in the Collateral;
- (v) preserve and defend title to the Collateral and the rights of the Secured Parties in the Collateral against the claims of anyone; and
- (vi) pay when due all taxes levied or assessed on any part of the Collateral.

The Issuer designates the Servicer as its agent and attorney in fact to execute any Financing Statement, continuation statement, and all other instruments, and take all other actions, required pursuant to this Section 7.5.

The Issuer authorizes the filing without the Issuer's signature a financing statement that names the Issuer as "debtor" and Investors Bank & Trust Company as "secured party" (with or without indicating its capacity as Trustee hereunder) and that describes the Collateral as "all assets of the debtor, whether now owned or hereafter acquired and wherever located."

- (b) The Trustee shall not:
  - (i) except in accordance with Section 10.6(a), (b) or (c), remove any portion of the Collateral that consists of Cash or is evidenced by an instrument, certificate or other writing:
    - (A) from the jurisdiction in which it was held at the date the most recent Opinion of Counsel was delivered pursuant to Section 7.6 (or from the jurisdiction in which it was held as described in the Opinions of Counsel delivered at the Closing Date pursuant to Section 3.1(a)(iii) if no Opinion of Counsel has yet been delivered pursuant to Section 7.6), or
    - (B) from the possession of the Person who held it (other than the Bank), or

(ii) cause or permit ownership or the pledge of any portion of the Collateral that consists of book-entry securities to be recorded on the books of a Person (other than the Bank):

(A) located in a different jurisdiction from the jurisdiction in which the ownership or pledge was recorded, or

(B) other than the Person on whose books the ownership or pledge was originally recorded, unless the Trustee shall have first received an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the lien and security interest created by this Indenture with respect to the property and its priority will continue to be maintained after giving effect to the change.

(c) Without at least 30 days' prior written notice to the Trustee and the Servicer, the Issuer shall not change its "location" (as defined in Section 9-307 of the UCC) or change its name from the name shown on the signature pages of this Indenture.

(d) The Issuer shall, subject to the Priority of Payments, enforce all of its material rights and remedies under the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, each Hedge Agreement and each Securities Lending Agreement.

(e) The Issuer shall pay any taxes levied because any Pledged Obligations are owned by the Issuer.

(f) The Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will either exercise the "put" option that prevents a Collateral Obligation from being a Long-Dated Collateral Obligation on the last available date before the Stated Maturity of the Notes or sell the Collateral Obligation for Sale Proceeds at least equal to the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation, in either case by the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

**Section 7.6. *Opinions as to Collateral.***

On or before April 1 in each calendar year, commencing in 2008, the Issuer shall furnish to the Trustee and each of the Rating Agencies, an Opinion of Counsel stating that in the opinion of such counsel as of the date of such opinion under the District of Columbia Uniform Commercial Code, the UCC financing statement(s) filed in connection with the lien and security interests created by this Indenture shall remain effective and no additional financing statements, continuation statements or amendments with respect to such financing statement(s) shall be required to be filed in the District of Columbia from the date thereof through the next twelve months to maintain the perfection of the security interest of this Indenture under the District of Columbia Uniform Commercial Code.

**Section 7.7. *Performance of Obligations.***

(a) The Co-Issuers, each as to itself, shall not take any action, and shall use their reasonable commercial efforts not to permit any action to be taken by others, that would release any Person from any of the Person's covenants or obligations under any instrument included in the Collateral, except in the case of enforcement action taken with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this Indenture and actions by the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and in conformity with this Indenture or as otherwise required by this Indenture.

(b) The Applicable Issuers may, with the prior written consent of a Majority of each Class of Notes and a Majority of the Preference Shares (except in the case of the Servicing Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement as initially executed), contract with other Persons (including the Servicer, the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator) for the performance of actions and obligations to be performed by the Applicable Issuers under this Indenture. Notwithstanding any such arrangement, the Applicable Issuers shall remain primarily liable for performance under this Indenture. The Applicable Issuers shall punctually perform, and use their reasonable commercial efforts to cause the Servicer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and any other Person to perform, all of their obligations in the Servicing Agreement, this Indenture, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement or any other agreement.

Section 7.8. *Negative Covenants.*

(a) The Issuer shall not and, with respect to clauses (ii), (iii), (iv), (vi) and (ix), the Co-Issuer shall not, in each case from and after the Closing Date:

(i) sell, transfer, assign, exchange, or otherwise dispose of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecate, or otherwise encumber (or permit or suffer the sale, transfer, assignment, exchange, or other disposition of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecation, or other encumbering of), any part of the Collateral, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and the Servicing Agreement;

(ii) claim any credit on, make any deduction from, or, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable laws, dispute the enforceability of payment of the principal or interest (or any other amount) payable in respect of the Notes (other than amounts withheld in accordance with the Code or any applicable laws of the Cayman Islands) or assert any claim against any present or future Noteholder because of the payment of any taxes levied or assessed on any part of the Collateral;

(iii) (A) incur or assume or guarantee any indebtedness, other than the Notes and this Indenture and the transactions contemplated by this Indenture (including a Refinancing in accordance with Section 9.7 and including, as contemplated hereby, entering into the Hedge Agreements and Securities Lending Agreements) or (B) issue any additional class of securities other than the Preference Shares issued on or before the Closing Date, except as otherwise permitted by the Preference Share Documents;

(iv) (A) permit the validity or effectiveness of this Indenture or any Grant under this Indenture to be impaired, or permit the lien of this Indenture to be amended, hypothecated, subordinated, terminated, or discharged or permit any Person to be released from any covenants or obligations with respect to this Indenture or the Notes, except as may be expressly permitted by this Indenture or by the Servicing Agreement, (B) permit any lien, charge, adverse claim, security interest, mortgage or other encumbrance (other than the lien of this Indenture) to be created on or extend to or otherwise arise on or burden any part of the Collateral, any interest in it, or its proceeds of or (C) take any action that would permit the lien of this Indenture not to be a valid first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral;

(v) amend the Servicing Agreement except pursuant to its terms and Section 15.1(h) or amend the Collateral Administration Agreement except pursuant to its terms unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the amendment or enter into any waiver in respect of any of the foregoing agreements

without providing written notice to each Rating Agency and the Trustee (and, with respect to the Collateral Administration Agreement, without the consent of the Trustee);

(vi) to the extent permitted by applicable law, dissolve or liquidate in whole or in part, except as permitted under this Indenture;

(vii) pay any dividends or other distributions other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents;

(viii) conduct business under any name other than its own;

(ix) have any employees (other than directors and officers to the extent they are employees); or

(x) except for any Underlying Instrument and agreements involving the purchase or sale of Collateral Obligations having customary purchase or sale terms and documented with customary trading documentation (but not excepting any Synthetic Security or Hedge Agreement), enter into any agreement unless the agreement contains "non-petition" and "limited recourse" provisions and shall not amend such "non-petition" and "limited recourse" provisions without prior Rating Confirmation.

(b) Neither the Issuer nor the Trustee shall sell, transfer, exchange or otherwise dispose of Collateral, or enter into an agreement or commitment to do so, or enter into or engage in any business with respect to any part of the Collateral, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer, the Servicing Agreement.

(c) The Co-Issuer shall not invest any of its assets in "securities" as the term is defined in the Investment Company Act, and shall keep all of its assets in Cash.

(d) Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall use the proceeds of the Notes to buy or carry Margin Stock.

**Section 7.9. *Notice of Default; Statement as to Compliance.***

(a) The Co-Issuers shall notify the Trustee, the Servicer, the Rating Agencies and each Hedge Counterparty within 10 days of acquiring actual knowledge of Default.

(b) On or before March 15 in each calendar year, commencing in 2008, the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee (to be forwarded by the Trustee to the Servicer and each Noteholder making a written request therefor and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit H certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) and each Rating Agency) a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer that, to the best knowledge of the Issuer, no Default exists, and has not existed since the date of the last certificate or, if a Default does then exist or had existed, specifying the same and its nature and status, including actions undertaken to remedy it, and that the Issuer has complied with all of its obligations under this Indenture or, if that is not the case, specifying those obligations with which it has not complied.

**Section 7.10. *Co-Issuers May Consolidate, etc. Only on Certain Terms.***

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer (the "**Merging Entity**") shall consolidate or merge with or into any other Person or transfer or convey all or substantially all of its assets to any Person,

unless permitted by Cayman Islands law (in the case of the Issuer) or United States and Delaware law (in the case of the Co-Issuer) and unless:

(a) the Merging Entity shall be the surviving corporation, or the Person (if other than the Merging Entity) formed by the consolidation or into which the Merging Entity is merged or to which all or substantially all of the assets of the Merging Entity are transferred (the "**Successor Entity**"),

(i) if the Merging Entity is the Issuer, is a company organized and existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands or another jurisdiction approved by a Majority of the Controlling Class (except that no approval shall be required in connection with any such transaction undertaken solely to effect a change in the jurisdiction of incorporation pursuant to Section 7.4), and

(ii) in any case shall expressly assume, by an indenture supplemental to this Indenture, executed and delivered to the Trustee and each Noteholder, the due and punctual payment of all amounts on all Notes issued by the Merging Entity and the performance and observance of every covenant of this Indenture on its part to be performed or observed, all as provided in this Indenture;

(b) each Rating Agency shall have been notified of the consolidation, merger, transfer, or conveyance and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the transaction;

(c) if the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall have agreed with the Trustee,

(i) to observe the same legal requirements for the recognition of the formed or surviving corporation as a legal entity separate and apart from any of its Affiliates as are applicable to the Merging Entity with respect to its Affiliates,

(ii) not to consolidate or merge with or into any other Person or transfer or convey the Collateral or all or substantially all of its assets to any other Person except in accordance with this Section 7.10; and

(iii) in any case shall expressly assume by an indenture supplemental to this Indenture, executed and delivered to the Trustee, each Noteholder and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the due and punctual payment of all amounts on all the Notes issued by the Merging Entity and the performance and observance of every covenant of this Indenture on its part to be performed or observed, all as provided in this Indenture;

(d) if the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall have delivered to the Trustee and each Rating Agency an Officer's certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that it is duly organized, validly existing, and in good standing in the jurisdiction in which it is organized; that it has sufficient power and authority to assume the obligations in subsection (a) above and to execute and deliver an indenture supplemental to this Indenture for the purpose of assuming the obligations in subsection (a) above; that it has duly authorized the execution, delivery, and performance of an indenture supplemental to this Indenture for the purpose of assuming the obligations in subsection (a) above and that the supplemental indenture is its valid and legally binding obligation, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject only to bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium, and other laws affecting the



enforcement of creditors' rights generally and to general principles of equity; if the Merging Entity is the Issuer, that, following the event that causes the Successor Entity to become the successor to the Issuer, (i) the Successor Entity has title, free of any lien, security interest, or charge, other than the lien and security interest of this Indenture, to the Collateral, and (ii) the lien of this Indenture continues to be effective in the Collateral; and in each case as to any other matters the Trustee or any Noteholder reasonably requires;

(e) after giving effect to the transaction, no Default or Event of Default shall be continuing;

(f) the Merging Entity shall have notified each Rating Agency of the consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance and shall have delivered to the Trustee, each Noteholder and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) an Officer's certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that the consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance and the supplemental indenture comply with this Article 7 and that all conditions precedent in this Article 7 relating to the transaction have been complied with and shall have obtained a Tax Opinion of Counsel that no adverse tax consequences will result therefrom to the Holders of the Securities;

(g) the Merging Entity shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel stating that after giving effect to the transaction, neither of the Co-Issuers (or, if applicable, the Successor Entity) will be required to register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act; and

(h) after giving effect to the transaction, the outstanding stock of the Merging Entity (or, if applicable, the Successor Entity) will not be beneficially owned within the meaning of the Investment Company Act by any U.S. Person.

#### Section 7.11. ***Successor Substituted.***

Upon any consolidation or merger, or transfer or conveyance of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, in accordance with Section 7.10 in which the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall succeed to, and be substituted for, and may exercise every right of, the Merging Entity under this Indenture with the same effect as if the Person had been named as the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, in this Indenture. Upon any such consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance, the Person named as the "Issuer" or the "Co-Issuer" in the first paragraph of this Indenture or any successor may be dissolved, wound up and liquidated at any time thereafter, and the Person thereafter shall be released from its liabilities as obligor and maker on all the Notes and from its obligations under this Indenture.

#### Section 7.12. ***No Other Business.***

(a) From and after the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not engage in any business or activity other than issuing and selling the Notes pursuant to this Indenture and the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents and acquiring, owning, holding, and pledging and selling Collateral Obligations and the other Collateral in connection therewith, and shall not act as agent, negotiator or structurer with respect to any Collateral, act as a participant in negotiating terms of a primary loan agreement, enter into a binding commitment to purchase any Collateral prior to the issuance thereof or engage in any transaction or activity not permitted by the Collateral Acquisition Agreement or which the Issuer knows would cause it to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States within the meaning of the Code or subject the Issuer's income to taxation on a net basis in any jurisdiction, and the Co-Issuer shall not engage in any business or activity other than

issuing and selling the Notes to be issued by it pursuant to this Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, other activities appropriate to accomplish the foregoing or incidental thereto or connected therewith.

(b) In furtherance and not in limitation of clause (a) of this Section 7.12, the Issuer shall comply with all of the provisions set forth in the Collateral Acquisition Agreement, unless, with respect to a particular transaction, it obtains written advice of Latham & Watkins LLP or a Tax Opinion of Counsel that, under the relevant facts and circumstances with respect to such transaction, the Issuer's failure to comply with one or more of such provisions will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States within the meaning of the Code or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis. The provisions set forth in the Collateral Acquisition Agreement may be amended, eliminated or supplemented (without execution of a supplemental indenture) if the Issuer obtains written advice of Latham & Watkins LLP or a Tax Opinion of Counsel that the Issuer's compliance with such amended provisions or supplemental provisions or the Issuer's failure to comply with such provisions proposed to be eliminated, as the case may be, will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States within the meaning of the Code or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis and, at the request of the Issuer, the Trustee is hereby authorized to enter into any amendment of the Collateral Acquisition Agreement under such circumstances; provided, however, that written notice of any such amendment, elimination or supplementation of or to the provisions of the Collateral Acquisition Agreement pursuant to this Section 7.12(b) shall be provided to each Rating Agency then rating any Outstanding Class of Notes within 90 days of any such amendment, elimination or supplementation. For the avoidance of doubt, in the event written advice of Latham & Watkins LLP or a Tax Opinion of Counsel as described above has been obtained in accordance with the terms hereof, no consent of any Noteholder or satisfaction of the Rating Condition shall be required in order to comply with this Section 7.12(b) in connection with the amendment, elimination or supplementation of any provision of the Collateral Acquisition Agreement contemplated by such written advice or opinion.

(c) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer may amend, or permit the amendment of, their Memorandum and Articles or the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the amendment (but not otherwise).

#### Section 7.13. ***Listing on Irish Stock Exchange.***

So long as any Senior Notes remain Outstanding, the Co-Issuers shall use all reasonable efforts to obtain and maintain the listing of the Senior Notes on the regulated market of the ISE; provided that the Co-Issuers will not be required to maintain a listing on a stock exchange in the European Union if compliance with requirements of the European Commission on a member state becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer.

#### Section 7.14. ***Annual Rating Review.***

So long as any Notes of any Class remain Outstanding, on or before February 1 in each year commencing in 2008, the Co-Issuers shall obtain and pay for an annual review or ongoing surveillance of the rating of each Outstanding Class of Notes from each Rating Agency, as applicable. The Co-Issuers shall promptly notify the Trustee and the Servicer in writing (and the Trustee shall promptly provide a copy of the notice to the Noteholders) and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) if at any time the rating of any Class of Notes has been, or is known will be, changed or withdrawn.

Section 7.15. **Reporting.**

At any time when the Co-Issuers are not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act and are not exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act, upon the request of a Holder or Beneficial Owner of any Note, the Co-Issuers shall promptly furnish "Rule 144A Information" to the Holder or Beneficial Owner, to a prospective purchaser of a Note designated by the Holder or Beneficial Owner or to the Trustee for delivery to the Holder or Beneficial Owner or a prospective purchaser designated by the Holder or Beneficial Owner, as the case may be, to permit compliance by the Holder or Beneficial Owner with Rule 144A under the Securities Act in connection with the resale of the Note by the Holder or Beneficial Owner. "**Rule 144A Information**" is the information specified pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act.

Section 7.16. **Calculation Agent.**

(a) The Issuer agrees that for so long as any Floating Rate Notes remain Outstanding an agent will always have been appointed (that does not control and is not controlled by or under common control with the Issuer or its Affiliates) to calculate LIBOR in respect of each Interest Period (the "**Calculation Agent**"). The Issuer has initially appointed the Trustee as Calculation Agent. The Issuer may remove the Calculation Agent at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Issuer or if the Calculation Agent fails to determine any of the information required to be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange, as described in subsection (b), in respect of any Interest Period, the Issuer or the Servicer (on its behalf) shall promptly appoint a replacement Calculation Agent. For so long as any Floating Rate Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, notice of the appointment of any replacement Calculation Agent shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange as promptly as practicable after the appointment. The Calculation Agent may not resign its duties without a successor having been duly appointed.

(b) As soon as possible after 11:00 A.M., London time, on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period, but in no event later than 11:00 A.M., London time, on the next Business Day, the Calculation Agent shall calculate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes for the next Interest Period. The Calculation Agent shall communicate those rates and amounts to the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, each Paying Agent, the Servicer, Euroclear, Clearstream, the Depository, and, so long as any of the Floating Rate Notes are listed thereon and the rules of the exchange so require, the Irish Stock Exchange. In the latter case, the information shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange as soon as possible after its determination. The Calculation Agent shall separately notify the Irish Stock Exchange of the information. The Calculation Agent shall also specify to the Co-Issuers the quotations on which the foregoing rates are based, and in any event the Calculation Agent shall notify the Co-Issuers before 7:00 P.M., London time, on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period that either:

(i) it has determined or is in the process of determining the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes, or

(ii) it has not determined and is not in the process of determining any such Note Interest Rate together with its reasons therefor.

The Calculation Agent's determination of the foregoing rates for any Interest Period shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding on all parties and the Holders and Beneficial Owners of the Preference Shares.

Section 7.17. ***Certain Tax Matters.***

(a) For United States federal income tax purposes, the Issuer shall treat the Preference Shares as equity and the Notes as debt. Each Holder of a Note, by its acquisition of that Note, agrees to treat those Notes as debt for United States federal income tax purposes.

(b) The Issuer will make an election to be treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and will take all necessary actions to maintain its status as a partnership (or, if the equity of the Issuer is treated as owned by one person, as a disregarded entity of such person) for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

(c) The Issuer shall file, or cause to be filed, any tax returns, including information tax returns, required by any governmental authority; provided, however, that the Issuer shall not file, or cause to be filed, any income or franchise tax return in any state of the United States unless it shall have obtained a Tax Opinion of Counsel prior to such filing that, under the laws of such jurisdiction, the Issuer is required to file such income or franchise tax return.

(d) In order to ensure the Holders' and Beneficial Owners' acquisition of the Notes pursuant to this Indenture are not treated as offered under conditions of confidentiality, the Holders and Beneficial Owners of the Notes (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) are hereby permitted to disclose to any and all Persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement (including the ownership and disposition of the Notes). For this purpose, the tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction, and the tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction.

(e) If the Issuer is aware that it has purchased an interest in a "reportable transaction" within the meaning of Section 6011 of the Code, and a Noteholder requests information about any such transactions in which the Issuer is a purchaser, the Issuer shall provide such information it has reasonably available as soon as practicable after such request.

(f) The Issuer shall not conduct any business other than the business that the Issuer is permitted to conduct under this Indenture and the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

(g) Upon written request by the Independent accountants, the Indenture Registrar shall provide to the Independent accountants that information contained in the Indenture Register requested by the Independent accountants to comply with this Section 7.17.

(h) The Issuer will treat each purchase of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments as a "purchase" for tax accounting and reporting purposes.

(i) The Issuer shall not participate in listing or including the Class D Notes or Preference Shares on or in any Established Securities Markets, and shall not participate in establishing any Established Securities Market for its Class D Notes or Preference Shares. In addition, the Issuer shall not recognize any transfers made on any Established Securities Markets with respect to its Class D Notes or Preference Shares (including any transfers of any financial instrument (other than the Senior Notes) or contract the value of which is determined in whole or in part by reference to the Issuer).

(j) Each of the Issuers and the Trustee agrees that it does not intend for this Indenture to represent an agreement to enter into a partnership, a joint venture or any other business entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The Issuers and the Trustee shall not represent or otherwise hold themselves out to the United States Internal Revenue Service or other third parties as partners in a partnership or members of a joint venture or other business entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

Section 7.18. ***Securities Lending.***

(a) So long as no Event of Default is continuing and if after the completion of the transaction the limit in clause (31) of the definition of "Concentration Limitations" would be satisfied, the Servicer may cause Collateral Obligations that are not Defaulted Collateral Obligations to be lent for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) having long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or guarantors with ratings of at least "A1" (and not "A1" but on credit watch with negative implications) and "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A" or a short-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A-1" from S&P (each, a "***Securities Lending Counterparty***") pursuant to one or more agreements (each, a "***Securities Lending Agreement***"); provided that Collateral Obligations the Market Value of which cannot be determined under clause (i), (ii) or (iii) of that definition may not be lent pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement. Upon receipt of an Issuer Order, the Trustee shall release any lent Collateral Obligations to a Securities Lending Counterparty as directed by the Servicer. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser or Affiliates of the Servicer. The duration of any Securities Lending Agreement shall not exceed the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

(b) Each Securities Lending Agreement shall be on market terms as determined by the Servicer (except as may be required below) and shall:

(i) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty return to the Issuer debt obligations that are identical (in terms of issue and class) to the lent Collateral Obligations;

(ii) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty pay to the Issuer amounts equivalent to all interest and other payments that the owner of the lent Collateral Obligation is entitled to for the period during which the Collateral Obligation is lent and require that any such payments not be subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the Securities Lending Counterparty is required under the Securities Lending Agreement to make "gross-up" payments to the Issuer that cover the full amount of the withholding tax on an after-tax basis;

(iii) require that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency shall be satisfied with respect to the execution of the Securities Lending Agreement;

(iv) satisfy any other requirements of Section 1058 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated under it;

(v) be governed by the laws of New York;

(vi) permit the Issuer to assign its rights under the Securities Lending Agreement to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture;

(vii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Collateral Obligation becomes a Credit Risk Obligation or is subject to redemption in accordance with its terms;

(viii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty upon any redemption of the Notes in whole;

(ix) require the Securities Lending Counterparty to post with the Trustee collateral consisting of cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the Securities Lending Agreement (the "***Securities Lending Collateral***") to secure its obligation to return the Collateral Obligations or in the alternative post the Securities Lending Collateral with a custodian for the benefit of the Issuer designated by the Securities Lending Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that custodian would qualify to be a successor trustee under Section 6.9;

(x) provide that the Securities Lending Collateral shall be maintained at all times in an amount equal to at least 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value (determined daily and monitored by the Servicer) of the lent Collateral Obligations and if securities are delivered to the Trustee as security for the obligations of the Securities Lending Counterparty under the related Securities Lending Agreement, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will negotiate with the Securities Lending Counterparty a rate for the loan fee to be paid to the Issuer for lending the lent Collateral Obligations;

(xi) the lent Collateral Obligations shall be marked-to-market on a daily basis by the Servicer on the basis of their Market Value;

(xii) the Collateral will include the Issuer's rights under the related Securities Lending Agreement rather than the loaned Collateral Obligation;

(xiii) provide for early termination within 10 days at the option of the Issuer and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Securities Lending Counterparty is no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty and the noncompliance is not cured as provided in this Indenture; and

(xiv) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Securities Lending Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those in this Indenture.

(c) If either Moody's or S&P downgrades a Securities Lending Counterparty such that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party are no

longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty, then the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, within 10 days of the downgrade, shall

(i) terminate its Securities Lending Agreements with the Securities Lending Counterparty unless a guarantor with the required ratings for the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements has been obtained; or

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations lent to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty so that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party, together with all other Securities Lending Agreements, are in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of Securities Lending Counterparties; or

(iii) take any other steps Moody's or S&P may require to cause the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party to be treated by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, as if the obligations were owed by a counterparty having a rating at least equivalent to the rating that was assigned by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty before its being downgraded.

(d) In connection with any such direction by the Servicer to enter into a Securities Lending Agreement, the Trustee may receive and rely on an Issuer Order to the effect that the Securities Lending Agreement, and its Securities Lending Counterparty, is each in compliance with the requirements of this Indenture (including the definition of "Securities Lending Counterparty"). The Issuer and the Trustee may enter into any Securities Lending Agreement (and any related account control agreement) at the instruction of the Servicer, and deliver and accept delivery and return of any Collateral Obligations pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement, or pursuant to instructions from the Servicer in connection with the Securities Lending Agreement. The Trustee may take any actions and exercise any rights and remedies under any Securities Lending Agreement that the Servicer instructs. The Trustee need not enter into any Securities Lending Agreement (or any related account control agreement) that would in its judgment, subject it to any liability, whether financial or otherwise, or cause it to incur or subject it to risk of any cost or disbursement for which it is not, in its judgment, adequately indemnified, or that would impose on it any obligations or administrative burdens that are unacceptable to it. The Servicer shall instruct the Trustee in writing with respect to the administration of any Securities Lending Agreement (including with respect to any default and the exercise of rights under it). The Trustee shall not have any responsibility for evaluating the sufficiency, validity or acceptability of any Securities Lending Agreement or for the qualifications or eligibility of any Securities Lending Counterparty. Nothing in this Indenture shall be construed to cause the Trustee to have any fiduciary duties to any Securities Lending Counterparty.

So long as any Collateral Obligation is on loan pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement,

(a) the Trustee shall have no liability for any failure or inability on its part to receive any information or take any action with respect to the Collateral Obligation because of its being on loan (including any failure to take action with respect to a notice of redemption, consent solicitation, exchange or tender offer, or similar corporate action), and

(b) the loaned Collateral Obligations shall not be disqualified for return to the Trustee as a Collateral Obligation by any change in circumstance or status during the time while on loan (including any change that would cause the Collateral Obligation to be ineligible for purchase by the

Issuer under this Indenture if applied to a proposed purchase of it in the open market at the time of its return from loan).

**Section 7.19. *Purchase of Collateral Obligations; Ramp-Up Completion Date.***

(a) The Issuer shall use its best efforts to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period or enter into commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period for purchase on or as soon as practicable thereafter (not to exceed 60 days thereafter), in each case, for inclusion in the Collateral so that each of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A Notes is at least U.S.\$1,500,000,000.

(b) No Collateral Obligations may be purchased prior to the Ramp-Up Completion Date unless immediately following the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (as certified by the Servicer in writing), the remaining funds in the Collection Account, after giving effect to such purchase, are sufficient as of the date of determination to purchase Collateral Obligations for inclusion in the Collateral so that each of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A Notes is at least U.S.\$1,500,000,000 (taking into account the Collateral Obligations already part of the Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date)).

(c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, or any other provision of this Indenture, if the Issuer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase a Collateral Obligation to be included in the Collateral, such commitment initially not to exceed 60 days, and at the time of the commitment the Collateral Obligation complied with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set forth in this Section 7.19, the Issuer may consummate the purchase of the Collateral Obligation notwithstanding that the Collateral Obligation fails to comply with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set out above on the date of settlement.

(d) The Issuer will use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase, or to enter into binding agreements to purchase, Collateral Obligations by the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that, together with the Collateral Obligations purchased on or before the Closing Date and then held by the Issuer, will satisfy, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date), the Collateral Quality Tests, the Concentration Limitations, the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 of this Indenture and the Overcollateralization Tests.

(e) Within five Business Days after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer or the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) shall request a S&P Rating Confirmation and shall provide a report to the Rating Agencies identifying the Collateral Obligations then included in the Collateral and the Issuer shall obtain and deliver to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies, together with the delivery of a report (and, with respect to S&P, a Microsoft Excel file of the S&P CDO Monitor input file and, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, the name of the obligor thereon, the CUSIP number thereof (if applicable) and the S&P Priority Category thereof) substantially in the form of a Monthly Report as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, an Accountants' Certificate:

(i) confirming the maturity date, rating, spread and recovery rate for each item of Original Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date



and the information provided by the Issuer with respect to every other asset included in the Collateral, by reference to such sources as shall be specified therein;

(ii) confirming that as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date:

(1) each of the Coverage Tests are satisfied;

(2) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owned or committed to purchase as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date is at least equal to the Maximum Amount; and

(3) the Collateral Obligations comply with all of the requirements of the Collateral Quality Tests and the Concentration Limitations; and

(iii) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing statements.

(f) If a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, the Notes will be redeemed pursuant to, and to the extent provided in, Section 9.1(a).

**Section 7.20. *Posting of Reports on Repository.***

If the Initial Purchaser has entered into a posting dealer agreement with The Bond Market Association relating to the transactions contemplated by this Indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer acknowledges and agrees that each Monthly Report and Valuation Report may be posted to the Repository for use in the manner provided in the Repository. In connection therewith, the Trustee, at the expense of the Issuer, agrees to make available in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(ix) each Monthly Report or Valuation Report to the operator of the Repository for posting on the Repository. The Initial Purchaser will notify the Trustee, the Co-Issuers and the Servicer upon entering into a posting dealer agreement.

**Section 7.21. *Secondary Risk Procedures.***

The Servicer shall notify S&P and request that S&P modify the S&P CDO Monitor accordingly if on any date (as disclosed in the most recent Monthly Report):

(a) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Collateral Obligations participated from or entered into with the same Secondary Risk Counterparty exceeds the percentage of the Maximum Amount in the Secondary Risk Table opposite the long-term S&P credit rating of the Secondary Risk Counterparty under the caption "Individual Counterparty Limit," or

(b) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Collateral Obligations participated from or entered into with Secondary Risk Counterparties with the same long-term credit rating exceeds the percentage of the Maximum Amount in the Secondary Risk Table opposite that rating under the caption "Aggregate Counterparty Limit" (excluding up to 5% by Aggregate Principal Amount of Synthetic Securities with respect to Collateral Obligations the Aggregate Counterparty Limit of which is 20% to the extent that (x) such exposure is fully collateralized with respect to principal and (y) the related Synthetic Security Counterparties are rated at least "A-1+" by S&P).

Section 7.22. ***Section 3(c)(7) Procedures.***

In addition to the notices required to be given under Section 10.6 hereof, the Issuer shall take the following actions to ensure compliance with the requirements of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act (provided that such procedures and disclosures may be revised by the Issuer to be consistent with generally accepted practice for compliance with the requirements of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act):

(a) ***Section 3(c)(7) Notice to Investors.*** The Issuer shall (i) request the Depository to cause, and cooperate with the Depository in causing, the Depository's security description and delivery order to include a "3(c)(7) marker" and the Depository's user manual to contain an accurate description of the restrictions on the holding and transfer of the Notes due to the Issuer's reliance on the exclusion to registration provided by Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act, (ii) request that the Depository send, and cooperate with the Depository in causing the Depository to send, to its Agent Members (x) the Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice substantially in the form of Exhibit G-2 in connection with the initial offering of the Notes and (y) the Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice substantially in the form of Exhibit G-1 as set forth in Section 10.6(b) and (iii) request that the Depository cause, and cooperate with the Depository in causing, the Depository's Reference Directory to include each Class of Notes (and the applicable CUSIP numbers for the Notes) in the listing of 3(c)(7) issues together with an attached description of the limitations as to the distribution, purchase, sale and holding of the Notes.

(b) ***CUSIP Numbers.*** The Issuer shall (a) request of S&P, and shall cooperate with S&P to ensure that all CUSIP numbers identifying the Notes shall have a "fixed field" attached thereto that contains "3c7" and "144A" indicators and (b) take steps to cause the Initial Purchaser and any market makers to require that all "confirms" of trades of the Notes contain CUSIP numbers with such "fixed field" identifiers.

(c) ***Bloomberg and other Third-Party Vendor Screens.*** The Issuer shall use all reasonable efforts to cause the Bloomberg screen or screens containing information about the Notes to include the following language: (a) the "Note Box" on the bottom of the "Security Display" page describing the Notes shall state: "Iss'd Under 144A/3(c)(7)," (b) the "Security Display" page shall have the flashing red indicator "See Other Available Information" and (c) the indicator shall link to the "Additional Security Information" page, which shall state that the securities are "being offered in reliance on the exemption from registration under Rule 144A of the Securities Act, to persons who are both (x) qualified institutional buyers (as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act) and (y) qualified purchasers (as defined under Section 3(c)(7) under the Investment Company Act)." The Issuer shall use all reasonable efforts to require that any other third-party vendor screens containing information about the Notes include substantially similar language to clauses (a) through (c) above.

## ARTICLE 8

### SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURES

Section 8.1. ***Supplemental Indentures Without Consent of Holders.***

(a) Without the consent of the Holders of any Securities (other than with respect to the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class specified in clause (15) below), when authorized by Board Resolutions, and subject to the requirement provided below in this Section 8.1 with respect to the ratings of any Class of Notes, the Co-Issuers and the Trustee may, if, with respect to any matters described in clauses (1) through (23) below, the interests of the Holders of the Securities (except, in

the case of clause (12) below, any Holders of Notes subject to the applicable Refinancing) are not materially and adversely affected thereby (the Co-Issuers and the Trustee will be bound by a standard of good faith and fair dealing in making such determination) execute one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, to:

- (1) evidence the succession of another Person to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and the assumption by the successor Person of the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture and in the Securities;
- (2) add to the covenants of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders or to surrender any right in this Indenture conferred on the Co-Issuers;
- (3) convey, transfer, assign, mortgage or pledge any property to the Trustee, or add to the conditions, limitations, or restrictions on the authorized amount, terms, and purposes of the issue, authentication and delivery of the Notes;
- (4) evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment under this Indenture by a successor Trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of this Indenture necessary to facilitate the administration of the trusts under this Indenture by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of Sections 6.10, 6.11, and 6.13;
- (5) correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of this Indenture, or to better assure, convey, and confirm to the Trustee any property subject or required to be subject to the lien of this Indenture (including all actions appropriate as a result of changes in law) or to subject to the lien of this Indenture any additional property;
- (6) conform any provision in this Indenture to the related provision in the Offering Memorandum that is intended to be a verbatim recitation of such provision;
- (7) modify the restrictions on and procedures for resales and other transfers of the Notes to reflect any changes in applicable law (or its interpretation) or to enable the Co-Issuers to rely on any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities Act or the Investment Company Act or to remove restrictions on resale and transfer to the extent not required under this Indenture;
- (8) with the consent of the Servicer, modify (A) the restrictions on the sales of Collateral Obligations in Section 12.1 or (B) with the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld), the Eligibility Criteria in Section 12.2 (and the definitions related thereto); provided that, for the avoidance of doubt, the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall not be required if such amendment also satisfies the requirements of clause (24) below;
- (9) make appropriate changes for any Class of Senior Notes to be listed on an exchange other than the Irish Stock Exchange;
- (10) otherwise to correct any inconsistency or cure any ambiguity or errors in this Indenture;
- (11) accommodate the issuance of the Senior Notes in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC or otherwise;

(12) to accommodate a Refinancing effected pursuant to and in compliance with Section 9.7; provided that no Holders of Notes or Preference Shares are materially adversely affected thereby, other than Holders of Notes subject to such Refinancing;

(13) take any appropriate action to prevent the Issuer, the Holders of the Securities, or the Trustee from becoming subject to withholding or other taxes, fees, or assessments or to prevent the Issuer from being treated as being engaged in a U.S. trade or business or otherwise being subject to income tax on a net income basis, so long as the action will not cause the Holders of any Securities to be adversely affected to any material extent by any change to the timing, character, or source of the income from the Securities, as evidenced by a Tax Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion);

(14) authorize the appointment of any listing agent, Transfer Agent, Paying Agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes appropriate in connection with the listing of any Class of Senior Notes on the Irish Stock Exchange or any other stock exchange, and otherwise to amend this Indenture to incorporate any changes required or requested by any governmental authority, stock exchange authority, listing agent, Transfer Agent, Paying Agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes in connection with its appointment, so long as the supplemental indenture would not materially and adversely affect any Noteholder, as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Notes;

(15) with the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class, amend, modify, enter into or accommodate the execution of any contract relating to a Synthetic Security (including posting collateral under a Synthetic Security Agreement) if such particular action is not otherwise permitted under the Indenture;

(16) modify Section 3.3 to be consistent with applicable laws or Rating Agency requirements;

(17) evidence any waiver by any Rating Agency as to any requirement or condition, as applicable, of the Rating Agency set forth in this Indenture;

(18) facilitate the issuance of participation notes, combination notes, composite securities and other similar securities;

(19) facilitate hedging transactions;

(20) facilitate the ability of the Issuer to lend collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement;

(21) modify any provision to facilitate an A/B Exchange, including to effect any serial designation relating to the exchange;

(22) with the consent of the Servicer, enter into any additional agreements not expressly prohibited by this Indenture as well as any amendment, modification, or waiver if the Issuer determines that the amendment, modification, or waiver would not, upon or after

becoming effective, materially and adversely affect the rights or interest of the Holders of any Class of Securities as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Servicer to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities; provided that, for the avoidance of doubt, this clause (22) shall not permit the Co-Issuers and the Trustee to effect any amendment that expressly requires the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class without such consent;

(23) provide for the issuance of additional Preference Shares to the extent permitted by the Preference Share Documents and to extend to such additional Preference Shares the benefits applicable to the Preference Shares under the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents; or

(24) prevent the Issuer from becoming an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); provided that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer shall have received (A) a Rating Confirmation with respect to such supplemental indenture and (B) a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such supplemental indenture, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

(b) Without the consent of the Servicer, no supplemental indenture may be entered into that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to the Servicer under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer.

(c) The Trustee is authorized to join in the execution of any such supplemental indenture and to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations that may be in the agreements, but the Trustee shall not be obligated to enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties, liabilities or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise, except to the extent required by law. Unless notified by a Majority of any Class of Notes or a Majority of the Preference Shares that Holders of the Class of the Notes or Holders of the Preference Shares would be materially and adversely affected, the Trustee may rely on a certificate of the Servicer and an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) as to whether the interests of any Holder of Securities would be materially and adversely affected by any such supplemental indenture.

(d) If any Outstanding Notes are rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee shall enter into a supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.1 only if either (1) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the supplemental indenture or (2) the Servicer and the Holders of 100% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes the ratings on which would be reduced or withdrawn consent to the supplemental indenture. Prior to the entry into any supplemental Indenture with respect to which a Rating Confirmation for one or more Classes of Notes is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Note informing them of such fact.

(e) At the cost of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee shall mail to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Securities), each Rating Agency (for so long as any Notes are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency) and each Hedge Counterparty a copy of any such proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee (or 60 calendar days before execution in the case of a supplemental indenture for the purpose described in paragraph (8) of Section 8.1(a), which shall be identified as such in a certificate of the Servicer delivered to the Trustee before the date on which such notice is required to be given).

**Section 8.2. *Supplemental Indentures With Consent of Holders.***

(a) If the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency, the Trustee and the Co-Issuers may execute one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture to add any provisions to, or change in any manner, or eliminate any of the provisions of, this Indenture or modify in any manner the rights of the Noteholders under this Indenture with the consent of:

(1) the Servicer if the supplemental indenture would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer;

(2) a Majority of each Class of Notes adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of each such Class of Notes; and

(3) a Majority of the Preference Shares adversely affected thereby.

Any proposed supplemental indenture that would also necessitate a change to the Memorandum and Articles of Association may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Memorandum and Articles of Association) has been passed to permit the Issuer's constitutional documents to be altered to conform them to the proposed change to this Indenture as certified to the Trustee by the Issuer.

Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected thereby and the Holder of each Preference Share adversely affected thereby, no supplemental indenture shall:

(i) change the Stated Maturity of the principal of or the due date of any installment of interest on any Note or of any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares (other than in the case of any Maturity Extension in connection with an extension of the Replacement Period as described in Section 2.4), reduce the principal amount or the rate of interest on any Note, or the Default Interest Rate or the Redemption Price with respect to any Note or Preference Share, or change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Share may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer, change the provisions of this Indenture relating to the application of proceeds of any Collateral to the payment of principal of or interest on Notes, or to payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, or change any place where, or the coin or currency in which, Notes or their principal or interest are paid or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after their Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the applicable Redemption Date);

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class or Holders of Preference Shares whose consent is required for the authorization of any such supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of this Indenture or certain defaults under this Indenture or their consequences provided for in this Indenture;

(iii) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on a parity with the lien of this Indenture with respect to any part of the Collateral or terminate the lien on any property at any time subject hereto or deprive the Holder of any Note of the security afforded by the lien of this Indenture;

(iv) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class whose consent is required to request the Trustee to retain the Collateral or rescind the Trustee's election to retain the Collateral, pursuant to Section 5.5 or to sell or liquidate the Collateral, pursuant to Section 5.4 or 5.5;

(v) modify any of the provisions of this Section, or to provide that certain other provisions of this Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note and Preference Share affected thereby;

(vi) modify the definition of "Outstanding," "Controlling Class," or "Majority," or the Priority of Payments in Section 11.1(a) or Section 13.1; or

(vii) modify any of the provisions of this Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of Redemption Price or of interest or principal on any Note or any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the payment of dividends or other payments on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date or to affect the rights of the Holders of the Securities to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of the Notes or the Preference Shares contained in this Indenture.

(b) Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.2, the Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Securities) and each Rating Agency (for so long as any Notes are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency) a copy of such proposed supplemental indenture and shall request any required consent from the applicable Holders of Securities to be given within the Initial Consent Period. Any consent given to a proposed supplemental indenture by the Holder of any Securities, as applicable, shall be irrevocable and binding on all future Holders or beneficial owners of that Security, irrespective of the execution date of the supplemental indenture. If the Holders of less than the required percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the relevant Securities consent to a proposed supplemental indenture within the Initial Consent Period, on the first Business Day after the Initial Consent Period, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Servicer which Holders of Securities have consented to the proposed supplemental indenture and, which Holders (and, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the Trustee, which beneficial owners) have not consented to the proposed supplemental indenture. If it intends to exercise its Amendment Buy-Out Option pursuant to Section 9.6, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall so notify the Trustee (which notice shall designate a date for the Amendment Buy-Out to occur no earlier than 10 Business Days after the date of such notice) no later than five Business Days after the Servicer is so notified by the Trustee and the Trustee shall promptly mail such notice to all Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders

of Holding Securities). Any Non-Consenting Holder may give consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture until the 5<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the date of the Amendment Buy-Out designated by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and in such case shall cease to be a Non-Consenting Holder for purposes of the Amendment Buy-Out. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser exercises its Amendment Buy-Out Option and purchases the applicable Securities pursuant to Section 9.6 below, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, as Holder or beneficial owner of the applicable Securities, may consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture within five Business Days of the Amendment Buy-Out.

(c) It shall not be necessary for any Act of Noteholders under this Section 8.2 to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if the Act or consent approves its substance.

(d) The Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Securities) and each Rating Agency a copy of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.2 promptly after its execution by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee. Any failure of the Trustee to mail a copy of any supplemental indenture as provided in this Indenture, or any defect in the mailing, shall not in any way affect the validity of the supplemental indenture.

### Section 8.3. *Execution of Supplemental Indentures.*

In executing or accepting the additional trusts created by any supplemental indenture permitted by this Article 8 or the modifications thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture, the Trustee may receive, and (subject to Sections 6.1 and 6.3) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an Opinion of Counsel stating that the execution of the supplemental indenture is authorized or permitted by this Indenture and that all conditions precedent to the execution of such supplemental indenture have been satisfied. In the event that any supplemental indenture is consented to by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes and the Rating Condition is satisfied or is specifically waived by all consenting parties, all conditions precedent to the execution of such supplemental indenture shall be deemed satisfied, the execution of such supplemental indenture shall be authorized or permitted by this Indenture, and the Trustee shall execute and accept the additional trusts created by such supplemental indenture pursuant to this Article 8 or modification thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture without obtaining an Opinion of Counsel; provided that the Trustee may, but shall not be obligated to, enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise. The Servicer shall not be bound by any amendment or supplement to this Indenture that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer unless the Servicer consents to it in writing, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed. The Servicer shall follow any amendment or supplement to this Indenture by which it is bound of which it has received written notice from the time it receives a copy of the amendment from the Issuer or the Trustee. The Trustee shall deliver any such amendment or supplement to the Repository in accordance with Section 6.18.

### Section 8.4. *Effect of Supplemental Indentures; Certain Required Consents.*

Upon the execution of any supplemental indenture under this Article 8, this Indenture shall be modified in accordance therewith, and the supplemental indenture shall form a part of this Indenture for all purposes; and every Holder of Notes theretofore and thereafter authenticated and delivered under this Indenture shall be bound thereby.



Without the approval of each Hedge Counterparty to a then existing Hedge Agreement (so long as the Hedge Counterparty is not in default under any Hedge Agreement to which it is party), no supplemental indenture will be effective, and the Co-Issuers will not consent to any supplemental indenture, that would have a material adverse effect on the Hedge Counterparty. For purposes of this paragraph, any supplemental indenture will be deemed not to have a material adverse effect on the Hedge Counterparty if it does not object within 10 days of delivery of such supplemental indenture by the Trustee.

Any supplemental indenture that would necessitate a change to the Memorandum and Articles of Association (or the memorandum and articles of association of Investors Corp.) may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Memorandum and Articles of Association) has been passed to permit the Memorandum and Articles of Association (or the memorandum and articles of association of Investors Corp.) to be altered to conform with such proposed amendment.

Section 8.5. ***Reference in Notes to Supplemental Indentures.***

Notes authenticated and delivered after the execution of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Article 8 may, and if required by the Trustee shall, bear a notice in form approved by the Trustee as to any matter provided for in the supplemental indenture. If the Applicable Issuers shall so determine, new Notes, so modified as to conform in the opinion of the Trustee and the Co-Issuers to any such supplemental indenture, may be prepared and executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated and delivered by the Trustee in exchange for Outstanding Notes.

## ARTICLE 9

### REDEMPTION OF NOTES

Section 9.1. ***Mandatory Redemption.***

(a) If either (a) a Coverage Test is not met on any Determination Date or (b) a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, principal payments on the Notes shall be made on the related Payment Date (without payment of any Redemption Price) in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Upon receipt of notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes, at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes, then at the direction and in accordance with the instructions of the Servicer the Trustee shall sell Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for the purpose in the Collection Account will be used to redeem the Notes and the Preference Shares (but only to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes) and to pay all administrative and other fees, expenses and obligations payable under the Priority of Payments. Any sale under this Section shall be conducted in such a manner that:

(i) after giving effect to the sale each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied or, if any Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Overcollateralization Test is not reduced,

(ii) if the sale occurs on or after the second Payment Date, after giving effect to the sale each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied or, if any Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Interest Coverage Test is not reduced, and

(iii) after giving effect to the sale each Collateral Quality Test is satisfied or, if any Collateral Quality Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Collateral Quality Test is not reduced.

(b) The Preference Shares will be redeemed in whole in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents on any Payment Date on which a mandatory redemption of the Notes pursuant to Section 9.1(a) results in the payment in full of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes.

**Section 9.2. *Optional Redemption.***

(a) Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the Notes shall be redeemed by the Applicable Issuers, in whole but not in part, on any Payment Date from Principal Proceeds and all other funds available for that purpose in the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account at the direction of the applicable Required Redemption Percentage, which direction must be given to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Servicer not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made, at the applicable Redemption Price (exclusive of installments of interest and principal maturing on or before that date, payment of which shall have been made or duly provided for, to the Noteholders on relevant Record Dates or as otherwise provided in this Indenture). All Notes must be simultaneously redeemed, and any termination payments pursuant to Hedge Agreements must be paid.

In the event that the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee and the Issuer receive notice directing an optional redemption from any one or more Holders of Preference Shares holding less than a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, within five Business Days of receipt of such notice, notify the Holders of the Preference Shares and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Holding Securities) (i) of the receipt of such notice and (ii) that any Holder of Preference Shares may join in directing an optional redemption by notifying the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing within five Business Days after such Holder's receipt of the Preference Shares Paying Agent's Notice.

Upon receipt of a notice of redemption pursuant to the first paragraph of this Section 9.2(a), the Servicer in its sole discretion will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Servicing Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer, direct the sale of the Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for such purpose in the Collection Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account will be at least sufficient to redeem all of the Notes and to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations. If, in the Servicer's reasonable discretion, the sale would not be sufficient to redeem the Notes, and to pay the fees, expenses and obligations, the Notes shall not be redeemed.

Upon any redemption pursuant to this Section 9.2(a), the Issuer shall, at least 30 days before the Redemption Date (unless the Trustee shall agree to a shorter notice period), notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), to the

Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Securities) and each Rating Agency of the Redemption Date, the applicable Record Date, the principal amount of Notes to be redeemed on the Redemption Date and the applicable Redemption Prices.

(b) On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, all administrative and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture and all amounts owing under this Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged,

(i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings or

(ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, voting as a single Class or group, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such direction.

Upon a distribution pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(i), the Servicer will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Servicing Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer (and subject to Section 9.2(b)(ii)), direct the sale of all remaining Collateral Obligations. Upon a distribution pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii), the Servicer will effect the sale of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares.

### Section 9.3. ***Optional Redemption Procedures.***

(a) Upon any redemption pursuant to Section 9.2, the Trustee shall give notice of a redemption by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days and not earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date, each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of DTC, Euroclear, and Clearstream, as applicable, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Securities) and (in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a)) to each Rating Agency. In addition, for so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of redemption of Senior Notes pursuant to Section 9.2 shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

(b) All notices of redemption delivered pursuant to Section 9.3(a) shall state:

(i) the applicable Redemption Date;

(ii) the Redemption Price of the Notes to be redeemed (in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a));

(iii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), that all of the Notes, are to be redeemed in full and that interest on the Notes to be redeemed shall cease to accrue on the Payment Date specified in the notice; and

(iv) the places where the Notes to be redeemed in whole are to be surrendered for payment of the Redemption Price, which shall be the office or agency of the Co-Issuers to be maintained as provided in Section 7.2 and, so long as any Senior Notes to be redeemed are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, and the Irish Paying Agent.

Any such notice of redemption may be withdrawn by the Issuer up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Securities), the Trustee and the Servicer only if:

(A) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), the Servicer does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications (described in Section 9.3(c) and 12.1(f)), as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee,

(B) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i), the Issuer receives the written direction of the Majority of the Preference Shares (or, in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Affected Class) to withdraw the notice of redemption delivered by a percentage of the Preference Shares (or, in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Affected Class) requesting redemption under Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i), as applicable, or

(C) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii), the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer hereby agrees for the benefit of the directing Holders to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (B) or this clause (C)).

Notice of any withdrawal shall be sent, not later than the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date (assuming that the Trustee has received timely written notice from the Issuer as provided above), by the Trustee, to each Noteholder scheduled to be redeemed at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery (or, to the extent the address contained in the Indenture Register is not sufficient for that purpose, by first class mail), the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Holding Securities). If the Issuer so withdraws any notice of redemption or is otherwise unable to complete any redemption of the Notes, the Sale Proceeds received from the sale of any Collateral Obligations sold pursuant to Sections 9.2 and 12.1(f) may, during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period) at the Servicer's discretion, be used to purchase replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria.

Notice of redemption shall be given by the Co-Issuers or, upon an Issuer Order, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Co-Issuers. Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Notes selected for redemption, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each of Holding Securities) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Securities.

(c) The Notes may not be redeemed pursuant to Section 9.2(a) unless either of the following conditions is satisfied:

(i) At least 10 Business Days before the Redemption Date, the Servicer shall have furnished to the Trustee evidence (in form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee) that the Issuer has entered into a binding agreement (with a financial or other institution or entity whose short-term unsecured debt obligations (other than obligations whose rating is based on the credit of a Person other than the institution) have a credit rating of at least "A-1" from S&P and of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's (or to any other institution or entity if the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's is satisfied with respect to the other entity)) to sell to the financial or other institutions, not later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date in immediately available funds, all or part of the Collateral (directly or by participation or other arrangement) at a Purchase Price at least equal to an amount sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties, and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices; or

(ii) Before entering into any binding agreement to sell all or a portion of the Collateral and selling or terminating any Hedge Agreement, the Servicer shall have certified that, in its commercially reasonable judgment, the settlement dates of the sales will be scheduled to occur on or before the Business Day before the Redemption Date and that the expected proceeds from the sales are to be delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date, in immediately available funds, in an amount (calculated as applicable in the manner provided below) sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties, and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices. For purposes of this paragraph, the amount shall be calculated with respect to the classes of Collateral listed in the table below by multiplying the expected proceeds of sale of the Collateral by the indicated percentage in the table below. For the avoidance of doubt, no Hedge Agreement shall be sold or terminated unless the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date has passed and no notice of withdrawal has been issued.

		<u>Number of Business Days Between Certification to the Trustee and Sale</u>			
		<u>Same Day</u>	<u>1 to 2</u>	<u>3 to 5</u>	<u>6 to 15</u>
1	Cash or other Eligible Investments	100%	100%	100%	100%
2	Loans (other than 5 below)	100%	93%	92%	88%
3	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations (in each case, other than 4 below)	100%	89%	85%	75%
4	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations, in each case with a Moody's Rating of "B3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "B3"	100%	75%	65%	55%
5	Synthetic Securities	100%	65%	55%	35%

Any certification delivered pursuant to this Section 9.3(c) shall include (A) the prices of, and expected proceeds from, the sale of any Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, or Hedge Agreements and (B) all calculations required by this Section 9.3(c).

**Section 9.4. *Notes Payable on Redemption Date.***

(a) Notice of redemption pursuant to Section 9.3 having been given as aforesaid, the Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at the Redemption Price therein specified and from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Redemption Price and accrued interest) the Notes shall cease to bear interest on the Redemption Date. Upon final payment on a Note to be so redeemed, the Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the place specified in the notice of redemption on or before the Redemption Date unless the Co-Issuers and the Trustee receive the security or indemnity required by them to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the Note, and in the absence of notice to the Co-Issuers and the Trustee, that the applicable Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender. Payments of interest on Notes so to be redeemed whose Stated Maturity is on or before the Redemption Date shall be payable to the Noteholders, or one or more predecessor Notes, registered as such at the close of business on the relevant Record Date if the Record Date is a Business Day (or, if the Record Date is not a Business Day, the close of business on the Business Day before the Record Date) according to Section 2.8(e).

(b) If any Note called for redemption is not paid on its surrender for redemption, its principal shall bear interest from the Redemption Date at the Applicable Note Interest Rate for each successive Interest Period the Note remains Outstanding if the reason for the non-payment is not the fault of the Holder of the Note.

**Section 9.5. *Special Redemption.***

Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in whole or in part, at par, in accordance with the Priority of Payments if, at any time during the Replacement Period, the Servicer elects (subject to the Servicing Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional or replacement Collateral

Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the application of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations (a "**Special Redemption**").

On the first Payment Date following the Due Period for which the notice is effective (a "**Special Redemption Date**"), the funds in the Collection Account or the Payment Account representing Principal Proceeds that, by operation of the preceding paragraph, are not used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (the "**Special Redemption Amount**") will be available to be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments under Section 11.1(a)(ii). Notice of payments pursuant to this Section 9.5 shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than three Business Days before the applicable Special Redemption Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of DTC. In addition, for so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of redemption of Senior Notes pursuant to Section 9.2 shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

Section 9.6. **Amendment Buy-Out.**

(a) In the case of any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Securities held by such Holders whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture or, with respect to any Class I Preference Shares held by Investors Corp. if the consent of the Holders of Holding Securities has been solicited, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holders all Holding Preference Shares held by such Holders (the "**Amendment Buy-Out Option**"), in each case, for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; provided, however, that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser may not exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option during the Non-Call Period in connection with a proposed amendment to reduce the rate of interest on any Note or to change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Shares may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all such Securities of Non-Consenting Holders and all such Holding Preference Shares of the Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holders, as the case may be, in each case, for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an "**Amendment Buy-Out**"). By its acceptance of its Securities hereunder, each Holder of Securities agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder and any Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder will be required to sell its applicable Transaction Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser; provided that if any Non-Consenting Holder holds Class II Preference Shares, (i) such Non-Consenting Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to Investors Corp. and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares, (ii) Investors Corp. will issue additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such redesignated Preference Shares purchased by it and (iii) the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser will purchase such additional Holding Preference Shares in lieu of such redesignated Preference Shares. Neither the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser nor any other Person shall have any liability to any Holder or beneficial owner of Transaction Securities as a result of an election by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser not to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option.

(b) All purchases made pursuant to an Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant

Transaction Securities set forth herein and in the Preference Share Documents or the Holding Preference Share Documents, as applicable, and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

Section 9.7. ***Redemption by Refinancing.***

(a) On any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period, any Class of the Notes may be redeemed in whole, but not in part from Refinancing Proceeds if the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, proposes to the Holders of the Preference Shares in writing (by notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Securities)) with a copy to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies, at least 30 days prior to the Payment Date for such redemption (such date, the "***Refinancing Date***"), to redeem such Notes in accordance with this Section 9.7 (a "***Notice of Refinancing***"), which notice shall, among other things, specify the Refinancing Date and the Class of Notes to be Refinanced. Such redemption shall be effected by the Issuer obtaining a loan or an issuance of a replacement class of notes ("***Refinancing Notes***"), the terms of which loan or issuance will be negotiated by the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, from one or more financial institutions or purchasers (which may include the Servicer or its Affiliates) selected by the Servicer (a refinancing provided pursuant to such loan or issuance, a "***Refinancing***"), and provided that (i) such proposal is approved by a Majority of the Preference Shares (voting as a single class) at least 15 days prior to the Refinancing Date and (ii) the Servicer completes such Refinancing and causes the Refinancing Proceeds to be deposited with the Trustee (in immediately available funds) no later than the close of the Business Day immediately preceding the Refinancing Date.

(b) The Issuer shall obtain a Refinancing only if the Servicer determines and certifies to the Trustee that:

- (i) a Rating Agency Confirmation has been obtained from each Rating Agency for such Refinancing;
- (ii) the proceeds from the Refinancing will be at least sufficient to pay the Refinancing Price plus any Administrative Expenses of the Issuer related to the Refinancing;
- (iii) the interest rate payable in respect of the obligations providing the Refinancing is less than the interest rate payable on the Notes being refinanced;
- (iv) the principal amount of any obligations providing the Refinancing is no greater than the principal amount of the Notes being redeemed with the proceeds of such obligations;
- (v) the stated maturity of the obligations providing the Refinancing is no earlier than the stated maturity of the Notes being refinanced;
- (vi) the Refinancing Proceeds will be used (to the extent necessary) to redeem the applicable Notes;
- (vii) the agreements relating to the Refinancing contain non-recourse and non-petition provisions, investor qualification provisions and transfer restrictions equivalent to those applicable to the Notes being redeemed, as set forth herein;



(viii) the obligations providing the Refinancing are subject to the Priority of Payments and do not rank higher in priority pursuant to the Priority of Payments than the Class of Notes being redeemed; and

(ix) the expenses in connection with the Refinancing have been paid or will be adequately provided for.

(c) The Trustee shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to Sections 6.1 and 6.3 hereof) shall be fully protected in relying upon an Opinion of Counsel stating that the Refinancing is permitted by this Indenture and that all conditions precedent thereto have been complied with.

(d) Any Refinancing Proceeds will not constitute Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds but will be applied directly on the related Refinancing Date pursuant to this Indenture to redeem the Notes being refinanced and pay Administrative Expenses in connection with the Refinancing without regard to the Priority of Payments; provided that to the extent that any Refinancing Proceeds exceed the amount necessary to redeem the Notes being refinanced (and any associated Administrative Expenses), such excess Refinancing Proceeds will be treated as Principal Proceeds.

(e) If notice of consent by a Majority of the Preference Shares to a Refinancing has been received by the Trustee from the Servicer pursuant to Section 9.7(a) no later than 15 days prior to the Refinancing Date, notice of a Refinancing shall be given by the Trustee by first class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not less than 10 Business Days prior to the proposed Refinancing Date, to each Holder of Notes of the Class to be refinanced at the address in the Indenture Register (with a copy to the Servicer) and, so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent.

All Notices of Refinancing shall state:

(i) the proposed Refinancing Date, which shall be the applicable Redemption Date in respect of the Notes being redeemed;

(ii) the Refinancing Price, which shall be the applicable Redemption Price in respect of the Notes being redeemed;

(iii) that on such proposed Refinancing Date such Notes will be refinanced and redeemed in full, and that, provided that the Refinancing Proceeds have been deposited with the Trustee for any such payment in full, interest on such Notes being redeemed shall cease to accrue on such date; and

(iv) the place or places where such Notes are to be surrendered for payment of the Refinancing Price which, if not stated, shall be the office or agency of any paying agent as provided in Section 7.2.

provided that no such Notice of Refinancing shall be sent if either (a) the Servicer has withdrawn its consent to such Refinancing or (b) the consent of a Majority of the Holders of Preference Shares to such Refinancing has not been obtained.

(f) Notice of Refinancing shall be given by the Trustee at the expense of the Issuer. Failure to give a Notice of Refinancing, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Note selected for Refinancing shall not impair or affect the validity of the Refinancing or give rise to any claim based upon such failure or defect.

Any Notice of Refinancing may be withdrawn by the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, on or prior to the fourth Business Day prior to the scheduled Refinancing Date by written notice to the

Trustee, the Paying Agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Rating Agencies and the Holders of the Preference Shares. Upon receipt of such notice of withdrawal, the Trustee shall send such notice to the Holders of Notes and, if applicable, the Irish Paying Agent.

(g) If a Notice of Refinancing pursuant to Section 9.7(a) has been given as provided herein and not withdrawn, the Notes to be refinanced shall on the Refinancing Date become due and payable at the Refinancing Price. Each Holder of such Notes shall present and surrender its Note at the place specified in the Notice of Refinancing on or prior to such Refinancing Date; provided that if there is delivered to the Issuer and the Trustee such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender such Note, then, in the absence of notice to the Issuer and the Trustee that the applicable Note has been acquired by a bona fide purchaser, such final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender.

(h) If any Class of Notes called for Refinancing shall not be so paid upon surrender thereof for Refinancing (or the delivery of the indemnity pursuant to the preceding paragraph) the principal shall, until paid, bear interest from the Refinancing Date at the applicable Interest Rate for each successive Payment Date with respect to which such Note remains Outstanding.

## ARTICLE 10

### ACCOUNTS, ACCOUNTINGS, AND RELEASES

#### Section 10.1. *Collection of Money.*

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, the Trustee may demand payment or delivery of, and shall receive and collect, directly and without intervention or assistance of any fiscal agent or other intermediary, all money and other property payable to or receivable by the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture, including all payments due on the Pledged Obligations, in accordance with the terms of the Pledged Obligations. The Trustee shall segregate and hold all money and property received by it in trust for the Secured Parties and shall apply it as provided in this Indenture. Any Account may contain any number of sub-accounts for the convenience of the Trustee or as required by the Servicer for convenience in administering the Accounts, the Collateral.

#### Section 10.2. *Collection Account.*

(a) Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Collection Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, and into which the Trustee shall from time to time deposit, in addition to the deposits required pursuant to Section 10.7(e), immediately upon the Trustee's receipt thereof:

(i) any funds transferred from (1) the Closing Date Expense Account pursuant to Section 10.3(g) or (2) the Interest Reserve Account pursuant to Section 10.3(i),

(ii) all Principal Proceeds (unless (1) simultaneously used to purchase Collateral Obligations in accordance with Article 12, (2) deposited into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or (3) posted by the Issuer as cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously

with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security or in Eligible Investments) received by the Trustee,

(iii) all Interest Proceeds received by the Trustee (unless simultaneously used to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations in accordance with Article 12 or in Eligible Investments), and

(iv) all other funds received by the Trustee from the Collateral and not excluded above.

In addition to the items described above, the Issuer may, but under no circumstances shall be required to, deposit from time to time any monies, securities and other instruments in the Collection Account it deems, in its sole discretion, to be advisable (and may designate any amounts deposited pursuant to this sentence as Principal Proceeds or Interest Proceeds in its discretion). Any Principal Proceeds received during the Replacement Period, and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments received after the Replacement Period, which have not been used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations on the Business Day of receipt shall be deposited in the Collection Account and shall at the direction of the Servicer be applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the other requirements set forth herein or the purchase of Eligible Investments pending such application or used to enter into additional Hedge Agreements or used in connection with a Special Redemption. Principal Proceeds (other than Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations, Credit Risk Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments) received after the Replacement Period shall be deposited into the Collection Account and applied to the purchase of Eligible Investments. All monies deposited from time to time in the Collection Account pursuant to this Indenture shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and shall be applied to the purposes provided in this Indenture. Amounts in the Collection Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(a).

(b) Within one Business Day after receipt of any distribution or other proceeds of the Collateral that are not Cash, the Trustee shall so notify the Issuer and the Servicer. Within five Business Days of receipt of the notice from the Trustee, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall sell the distribution or other proceeds for Cash in an arm's length transaction to a Person that is not the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer and deposit its proceeds in the Collection Account. The Issuer need not sell the distributions or other proceeds if it delivers an Issuer Order or an Officer's certificate to the Trustee and the Servicer certifying that the distributions or other proceeds are Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, or Workout Assets.

(c) During the Replacement Period (or, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall withdraw funds on deposit in the Collection Account representing Principal Proceeds (and, to the extent expressly provided in this Indenture, Interest Proceeds) and apply the funds to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), in each case in accordance with the requirements of Article 12 and the Issuer Order.

(d) At any time during or after the Replacement Period, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee

shall, pay from amounts on deposit in the Collection Account on any Business Day during any Interest Period from Interest Proceeds only, any Administrative Expenses that require payment before the next Payment Date to the extent that the amount of the payments does not exceed the aggregate amount that may be paid on the next Payment Date under, and at the level of priority specified by, Section 11.1(a)(i)(1).

(e) The Trustee shall transfer to the Payment Account from the Collection Account for application pursuant to Section 11.1(a) or 11.2, as applicable, on or not later than the Business Day preceding each Payment Date, the amount set forth to be so transferred in the Valuation Report for the Payment Date.

Section 10.3. ***Other Accounts.***

(a) ***Custodial Account.*** Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated trust account that shall be designated as the Custodial Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, and into which the Trustee shall deposit the Collateral Obligations and other Collateral not deposited elsewhere in accordance with this Indenture (other than Loans, Participations and general intangibles, which in the case of Loans and Participations, shall be held by the Trustee as provided in Section 3.2). All assets or securities at any time on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Custodial Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties. The only permitted withdrawals from the Custodial Account shall be in accordance with this Indenture. The Co-Issuers shall not have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Custodial Account other than in accordance with Section 3.2 and the Priority of Payments.

(b) ***Revolving Reserve Account and Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account.*** Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish (i) a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account which shall be designated as the Revolving Reserve Account and (ii) a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, each of which shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. Upon the purchase of any Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, at the direction of the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit Principal Proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account, in the case of a Revolving Loan, and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, in the case of a Delayed Drawdown Loan, each equal to the unfunded Commitment Amount of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, respectively, and the Principal Proceeds so deposited shall be considered part of the Purchase Price of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan for purposes of Article 12. At the direction of the Servicer at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall withdraw funds from the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to fund extensions of credit pursuant to Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans, respectively. In addition, to the extent that the Issuer receives proceeds of a repayment in respect of a Revolving Loan (except to the extent of any concurrent Commitment Reduction) at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall deposit the proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account. Upon the sale of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan in whole or in part or the reduction in part or termination of the Issuer's commitment thereunder, an amount on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, as the case may be, specified by the Servicer as being equal to:

- (i) the unfunded amount of the commitment (in the case of a sale in whole or a termination of the commitment),

(ii) the proportionate amount of the amount on deposit (in the case of a sale in part), or

(iii) the amount by which the commitment is reduced (in the case of a reduction thereof in part),

shall be transferred by the Trustee to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds. Amounts on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(b). All interest and other income from amounts in the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.4(b) shall be considered Interest Proceeds in the Due Period in which they are so deposited.

(c) *Expense Reimbursement Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Expense Reimbursement Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On any Payment Date and on any date between Payment Dates, the Trustee will apply amounts, if any, in the Expense Reimbursement Account to the payment of expenses and fees that must be paid between Payment Dates or that are due on that Payment Date under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) and the Trustee shall on any Payment Date transfer to the Expense Reimbursement Account an amount equal to the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts due under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) to the Expense Reimbursement Account in accordance with Section 11.1(a)(i)(2). Funds in the Expense Reimbursement Account shall be applied in accordance with Section 10.4(a).

(d) *Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties (other than the Hedge Counterparty pledging the Collateral), over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. The Trustee shall deposit all collateral received from a Hedge Counterparty under any Hedge Agreement into the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account shall be:

(i) for application to obligations of the relevant Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer under a Hedge Agreement if the Hedge Agreement becomes subject to early termination, or

(ii) to return collateral to the relevant Hedge Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Hedge Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(a) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(e) *Synthetic Security Collateral Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal, and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. On or before the date on which the

Issuer enters into a Synthetic Security and delivers a copy of it to the Trustee, the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the Synthetic Security Collateral Account with respect to the Synthetic Security.

All Synthetic Security Collateral posted by any Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Synthetic Security shall be immediately deposited into the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Synthetic Security. On each day on which amounts are payable to the Issuer out of Synthetic Security Collateral, the Issuer by Issuer Order shall direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, withdraw amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in an amount sufficient to make the payment as provided in the Issuer Order (including any total or partial release of Synthetic Security Collateral). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be (i) for application to the obligations of the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty under a Synthetic Security Agreement or (ii) to return Synthetic Security Collateral to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty at the termination of the relevant Synthetic Security Agreement or as otherwise required by the Synthetic Security Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(b) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(f) *Securities Lending Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Securities Lending Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal, and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Securities Lending Agreement and delivers a copy of it to the Trustee, the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the Securities Lending Account with respect to the Securities Lending Agreement. All Securities Lending Collateral posted by any Securities Lending Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Securities Lending Agreement shall be immediately deposited into the Securities Lending Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Securities Lending Agreement. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Securities Lending Account shall be:

(i) for application to obligations of the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty to the Issuer under a Securities Lending Agreement if the Securities Lending Agreement becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the related Securities Lending Agreement upon any "event of default" under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement, including liquidating the related Securities Lending Collateral, or

(ii) to return the Securities Lending Collateral to the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Securities Lending Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(c). To the extent provided in a Securities Lending Agreement, earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be payable by the Issuer to the related Securities Lending Counterparty.

Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the loaned security or asset that relates to the Securities Lending Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer.

(g) *Closing Date Expense Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Closing Date Expense Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On the Closing Date, the Trustee, at the direction of the Issuer, shall deposit into the Closing Date Expense Account approximately U.S.\$23,050,000 from the gross proceeds of the Offering. At any time before the Payment Date in November 2007, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall, pay from amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account any applicable fees and expenses of the Offering. On the Payment Date in November 2007 (or, at the discretion of the Servicer, on the Payment Date in August 2007), at the direction of the Servicer in its sole discretion, the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account to the Collection Account as Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds and close the Closing Date Expense Account.

Amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(a) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(h) *Payment Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Payment Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Payment Account shall be to pay amounts due and payable on the Notes in accordance with their terms and the provisions of this Indenture and to pay Administrative Expenses and other amounts specified in this Indenture, each in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Co-Issuers shall not have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Payment Account other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

(i) *Interest Reserve Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Interest Reserve Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On the Closing Date, the Trustee, at the direction of the Issuer, shall deposit into the Interest Reserve Account approximately U.S.\$ 6,300,000 from the gross proceeds of the Offering. At any time before the Payment Date in November 2007, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall transfer any funds on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account to the Collection Account as Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds. On the Payment Date in November 2007 (or, at the discretion of the Servicer, on the Payment Date in August 2007), at the direction of the Servicer in its sole discretion, the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account (after application of any monies therefrom on such date) to the Collection Account as Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds and close the Interest Reserve Account. Amounts on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(a).

(j) *Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of Holders of the Class II Preference Shares, over which the Trustee shall

have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On each Payment Date, to the extent of available funds in accordance with the Priority of Payments, the Trustee will deposit into the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account amounts equal to the products of (a) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date and (b) the Servicing Fees then due and payable, as described in Section 11.1(a) for payment to the Servicer on such Payment Date. The Servicer has agreed to waive amounts that would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as Servicing Fees, on each Payment Date until (and including) the Payment Date in February 2008 and an amount equal to such waived amounts will be distributed by the Trustee, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. After the Payment Date in February 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event, an amount equal to such waived portion will be distributed by the Trustee, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

(k) In addition to any deposit, withdrawal, transfer or other application of funds with respect to any Account set forth in this Section 10.3 or in Section 10.2, any deposit, withdrawal, transfer or other application of funds with respect to any Account authorized elsewhere in this Indenture is hereby authorized pursuant to this Section 10.3.

(l) In order to comply with its obligations under the USA Patriot Act of 2001, if any, the Trustee shall be entitled to request and verify, and the Noteholders, beneficial owners, the Co-Issuers and other parties related to this Indenture shall be obligated to provide to the Trustee all the necessary information required by the USA Patriot Act of 2001.

#### Section 10.4. ***Application of Funds in Accounts; Reports by Trustee.***

(a) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall at all times before an Event of Default occurs, direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, apply all funds on deposit in the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account as so directed in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. All applications on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any Eligible Investments. Before an Event of Default occurs, if the Issuer has not given directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Servicer within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Date Expense Account or the Interest Reserve Account. If the Trustee does not receive written instructions from the Servicer within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall apply the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (c) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. After an Event of Default occurs, if the Issuer does not give directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall apply the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (c) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing not later than the earlier of (i) 30 days after the date of the application or (ii) the Business Day before the next Payment Date. All interest and other income from such Eligible Investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from such Eligible



Investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from such Eligible Investments shall be charged to the Collection Account. Subject to Section 6.7, the Trustee shall not in any way be held liable for the selection of Eligible Investments or because of any insufficiency of the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Date Expense Account or the Interest Reserve Account or any other account that results from any loss relating to any such Eligible Investment.

(b) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall at all times direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, apply all funds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, and the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities not later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase. All applications on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any Eligible Investments. If before an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Servicer within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account. If the Trustee does not thereupon receive written instructions from the Servicer within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall apply the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that are overnight funds. If after an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall apply the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that are overnight funds. All interest and other income from such Eligible Investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from such Eligible Investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from such Eligible Investments shall be charged to the Collection Account.

(c) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall at all times direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, apply all funds on deposit in the Securities Lending Account in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. All applications on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any Eligible Investments. The interest on the Eligible Investments shall be allocated between the Issuer and the Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the related Securities Lending Agreement. If before an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Servicer within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Securities Lending Account. If the Trustee does not thereupon receive written instructions from the Servicer within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall apply the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that mature no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. If after an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall apply the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. All interest and other income from such Eligible Investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from such Eligible Investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from such Eligible Investments shall be charged to the Collection Account.

(d) The Trustee agrees to give the Issuer notice as soon as reasonably practicable if a Trust Officer obtains actual knowledge that any Account or any funds on deposit in any Account, or otherwise to the credit of an Account, shall become subject to any writ, order, judgment, warrant of attachment, execution or similar process. All Accounts shall remain at all times with the Custodian or a financial institution having a long-term debt rating of at least "Baa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) by Moody's and at least "BBB+" by S&P and having combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000 that has entered into one or more securities account control agreements in accordance with Article 8 of the UCC; provided, however, that (i) with respect to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Synthetic Security Counterparty shall be a party to such control agreement and shall consent to the Trustee's control of such Synthetic Security Collateral Account, (ii) with respect to the Securities Lending Account, the Securities Lender shall be a party to such control agreement and shall consent to the Trustee's control of such Securities Lending Account and (iii) with respect to each Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the related Hedge Counterparty shall be a party to such control agreement and shall consent to the Trustee's control of such Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.

(e) The Trustee shall supply, in a timely fashion, to the Co-Issuers and the Servicer any information regularly maintained by the Trustee that the Co-Issuers or the Servicer may from time to time request with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the Accounts and the Collateral and provide any other requested information reasonably available to the Trustee because of its acting as Trustee under this Indenture and required to be provided by Section 10.6, to permit the Servicer to perform its obligations under the Servicing Agreement. The Trustee shall promptly forward to the Servicer copies of notices and other writings received by it from the issuer of any Collateral Obligation or from any Clearing Agency with respect to any Collateral Obligation which notices or writings advise the holders of the security of any rights that the holders might have with respect to the Collateral Obligation (including requests to vote with respect to amendments or waivers and notices of prepayments and redemptions) as well as all periodic financial reports received from the issuer and Clearing Agencies with respect to the issuer.

(f) To the extent monies deposited in any Account exceed amounts insured by the Bank Insurance Fund or Savings Association Insurance Fund administered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any agencies succeeding to its insurance functions, and are not fully collateralized by direct obligations of the United States of America, the excess shall be held in Eligible Investments as described above.

#### Section 10.5. *Synthetic Security Counterparty Account.*

(a) To the extent that any Synthetic Security requires the Issuer to secure its obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty or to the extent that any Synthetic Security has an unfunded amount payable by the Issuer that does not by its terms require collateral, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee and the Trustee shall establish a segregated non-interest bearing trust account for the Synthetic Security which shall be held in trust for the benefit of the related Synthetic Security Counterparty and over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and this Indenture (a "***Synthetic Security Counterparty Account***"). In the alternative, a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account may be established with a trustee designated by the Synthetic Security Counterparty if that trustee would qualify to be a successor trustee under Section 6.9 and the account satisfies the other requirements of this Section.

As directed in writing by the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit (or deliver for deposit) into each Synthetic Security Counterparty Account all amounts or securities that are required to secure the obligations of the Issuer in accordance with the related Synthetic Security and, without

duplication, an amount equal to the unfunded amount of a Synthetic Security, including the entire notional amount of any Synthetic Security in the form of a credit default swap or other similar transaction. The Servicer shall direct any such deposit only during the Replacement Period and only to the extent that monies are available for the purchase of Collateral Obligations pursuant to this Indenture. Any income received on amounts in the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall, after application in accordance with the relevant Synthetic Security, be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Interest Proceeds.

(b) As directed by the Servicer in writing and in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and this Indenture, amounts on deposit in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in Synthetic Security Collateral.

(c) In connection with the occurrence of a credit event or an event of default or a termination event (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security) under the related Synthetic Security, amounts in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be withdrawn by the Trustee (or the Trustee shall request their withdrawal) and applied toward the payment of any amounts payable by the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the Synthetic Security, as directed by the Servicer in writing. Any excess amounts held in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, or held directly by a Synthetic Security Counterparty, after payment of all amounts owing from the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the related Synthetic Security shall be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Principal Proceeds.

(d) Amounts on deposit in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the Synthetic Security that relates to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer (with the notional amount as the Principal Balance unless a default exists under the applicable Synthetic Security).

#### Section 10.6. *Accountings.*

(a) *Monthly.* Commencing the earlier of (a) the first full month after the Ramp-Up Completion Date and (b) the month ending July 2007, (i) in the case of a month in which there is no Payment Date, not later than the eighth Business Day after the last calendar day of such month and (ii) in the case of a month in which there is a Payment Date, on such Payment Date, the Issuer shall cause to be compiled and provided to the Servicer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares), the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, each Hedge Counterparty, the Rating Agencies, (if so requested by the Initial Purchaser) the Repository in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(ix) or each Holder of a Note who makes a written request therefor, and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit H certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, the Beneficial Owner (or its designee), a monthly report (the "**Monthly Report**"). Each Monthly Report shall be accompanied by a Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice. The Monthly Report shall contain the following information, determined as of (1) in the case of a month in which there is no Payment Date, the last day of the applicable month and (2) in the case of a month in which there is a Payment Date, the Determination Date for such Payment Date, based in part on information provided by the Servicer (the "**Monthly Determination Date**"):

(i) *Collateral:*

(A) The Aggregate Principal Balance (and, in the case of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its funded and unfunded amount), interest rate, Stated Maturity and obligor of each Collateral Obligation;

(B) The stated principal balance of Defaulted Collateral Obligations;

(C) The identity of all Collateral Obligations and all obligations that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange do not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that were released for sale or other disposition (and, for each obligation sold, indicating whether sold as a Credit Risk Obligation, a Credit Improved Obligation, a Current-Pay Obligation, a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, a Workout Asset or an obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation or whether sold in connection with any withholding tax pursuant to Section 12.1(e) or sold as a discretionary sale pursuant to Section 12.1(h)); and the identity of all Collateral Obligations that were acquired, in each case since the date of the previous Monthly Report;

(D) The obligor of each Workout Asset;

(E) The Purchase Price of each Collateral Obligation acquired, the sale price of each Collateral Obligation sold (or the adjusted purchase or sale price with respect to any exchange of securities requiring an allocation by the Servicer) since the date of the previous Monthly Report on each sale;

(F) The identity of each Collateral Obligation (1) that is a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, a Workout Asset or a PIK Security, and in the case of a PIK Security (i) the principal amount of previously deferred or capitalized interest and (ii) the change in the principal amount of previously deferred or capitalized interest since the most recent Monthly Report or (2) in respect of which an obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation has been received, in each case indicating the date of such default, as applicable, and reporting any Other Indebtedness, as defined in clause (ii) in the definition of "Defaulted Collateral Obligation," that the Servicer has determined not to be material;

(G) The S&P Industry Classification and the Moody's Industry Classification for each Collateral Obligation and the five highest concentrations of Collateral Obligations in the Moody's Industry Classification groups and the five highest concentrations of Collateral Obligations in the S&P Industry Classification groups;

(H) For each Collateral Obligation, the country of the obligor (and the related foreign currency debt rating) and, in the case of a country other than the United States of America, whether the obligor is Domiciled in a Moody's Group I Country, Moody's Group II Country, or Moody's Group III Country and the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations issued by issuers in the applicable country;

(I) For each Collateral Obligation, the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate and S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate;

(J) For each Collateral Obligation, the S&P Rating, and if any S&P Rating for any Collateral Obligation in any Monthly Report is a credit estimate, "non-public" rating or "shadow" rating, the rating shall not be disclosed, but shall be replaced with an asterisk in the place of the applicable credit estimate, "non-public" rating or "shadow" rating;

(K) For each Collateral Obligation, the Moody's Rating and the Moody's Rating Factor, determined, for this purpose, and set forth both with and without regard to whether the Collateral Obligation has been put on watch for possible upgrade or downgrade, and if any Moody's Rating for any Collateral Obligation in any Monthly Report is an "estimated" or "shadow" rating, the rating shall not be disclosed, but shall be replaced with an asterisk in the place of the applicable "estimated" or "shadow" rating;

(L) The Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that have a Moody's Rating of "Caa1" or lower;

(M) The Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that have an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower;

(N) For each Collateral Obligation that is a Participation or a Synthetic Security or is loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement, the related Secondary Risk Counterparty and each Rating Agency's long-term unsecured debt rating of the Secondary Risk Counterparty;

(O) Certain S&P benchmarks relating to the portfolio as provided by S&P in the S&P CDO Monitor regardless whether or not the S&P CDO Monitor passes or fails, including (1) S&P Default Measure (Annualized Portfolio Default Rate), (2) S&P Variability Measure (Annualized Standard Deviation of Portfolio Default Rate), (3) S&P Correlation Measure (Ratio of Standard Deviation of Portfolio with Correlation to Standard Deviation of Portfolio without Correlation) and (4) Weighted Average Default Correlation;

(P) The identity and Market Value of each Collateral Obligation whose Market Value (in the determination of the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator) was determined pursuant to last proviso in the definition of "Market Value;"

(Q) The identity of each Collateral Obligation participated from or entered into with a Secondary Risk Counterparty; and

(R) The identity of each Collateral Obligation owned by the Issuer that has not been disposed of within the time limits required by this Indenture.

(ii) *Accounts:*

(A) The amount of any proceeds in the Collection Account, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds (excluding unapplied proceeds), and unapplied proceeds;

(B) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Revolving Reserve Account;

(C) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account;

(D) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account;

(E) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Securities Lending Account; and

(F) The amount of any proceeds in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account;

(iii) *Hedge Agreements:*

(A) The outstanding notional amount of each Hedge Agreement; and

(B) The amount scheduled to be received and paid by the Issuer pursuant to each Hedge Agreement on the next Payment Date (as specified by the calculation agent under each Hedge Agreement);

(iv) *Coverage Tests, Collateral Quality Tests and Retention Overcollateralization Test:*

(A) The Overcollateralization Ratios and the Overcollateralization Ratios as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date; a statement as to whether each of the Overcollateralization Tests is satisfied and a statement as to whether the Retention Overcollateralization Test is satisfied;

(B) The Interest Coverage Ratios and, on and after the second Payment Date, a statement as to whether each of the Interest Coverage Tests is satisfied;

(C) The Diversity Score and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Diversity Test is satisfied;

(D) The Weighted Average Life of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied;

(E) The Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate, the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test with respect to the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate and Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test with respect to the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate is satisfied;

(F) The Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied and a statement as to the amount of Spread Excess was used to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test;

(G) The Weighted Average Spread of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied and a statement as to the amount of Fixed Rate Excess was used to satisfy the Weighted Average Spread Test;

(H) The Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied; and

(I) The S&P CDO Monitor Test and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied and the Class Scenario Loss Rate and the then applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate with respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P and the adjusted Weighted Average Spread level determined as set forth in the definition of "Note Break-Even Loss Rate;"

(v) *Concentration Limitations and Withholding Taxes:*

(A) The percentage of the Maximum Amount itemized against each element of the Concentration Limitations and a statement as to whether each Concentration Limitation is satisfied; and

(B) Any withholding tax on payments under any Collateral Obligation;

(vi) *Securities Lending Agreements:*

(A) Each Collateral Obligation loaned or borrowed pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and the percentage of the Maximum Amount that represents Collateral Obligations that are loaned or borrowed pursuant to Securities Lending Agreements; and

(B) With respect to each Securities Lending Agreement in effect as of the Monthly Determination Date, a list setting forth:

(1) for each Collateral Obligation loaned or borrowed under it as of the first day of the loan, (x) its Principal Balance, (y) its Market Value and (z) its Principal Balance expressed as a percentage of the Maximum Amount,

(2) the term of the loan of the Collateral Obligation,

(3) the expiration date of the Securities Lending Agreement,

(4) the Moody's Rating and S&P Rating for each loaned or borrowed Collateral Obligation,

(5) the principal amount of the related Securities Lending Collateral held in the Securities Lending Account, and

(6) the Eligible Investments held as Securities Lending Collateral pursuant to the related Securities Lending Agreement; and

(vii) Any other information the Trustee reasonably requests.

Upon receipt of each Monthly Report, the Trustee shall compare the information contained in the Monthly Report to the information contained in its records with respect to the Collateral and shall, within three Business Days after receipt of such Monthly Report, notify the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer if the information contained in the Monthly Report does not conform to the information maintained by the Trustee with respect to the Collateral, and shall detail any discrepancies. In the event that any discrepancy exists, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Servicer shall attempt to resolve the discrepancy. If such discrepancy cannot be promptly resolved, the Trustee shall within five Business Days after notification of such discrepancy cause the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8 to review such Monthly Report and the Trustee's records to determine the cause of such discrepancy. If such review reveals an error in the Monthly Report or the Trustee's records, the Monthly Report or the Trustee's records shall be revised accordingly and, as so revised, shall be used in making all calculations pursuant to this Indenture and notice of any error in the Monthly Report shall be sent as soon as practicable by the Issuer to all recipients of the report. If the review by the Independent accountants does not resolve the discrepancy, the Trustee, upon receipt of an Officer's certificate of the Servicer certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the information contained in the related Monthly Report is correct, shall conform the information it maintains to the Monthly Report received.

(b) *Payment Date Accounting.* The Issuer shall cause to be rendered an accounting report (the "**Valuation Report**"), determined as of the close of business on each Determination Date, and provided to the Servicer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares), the Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, each Hedge Counterparty, the Rating Agencies and each Noteholder (if so requested by the Initial Purchaser) the Repository in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(ix), the Depository (with instructions to forward it to each of its Agent Members who are Noteholders), and upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit H certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner and the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) not later than the second Business Day preceding the related Payment Date. Each Valuation Report shall be accompanied by a Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice. The Valuation Report shall contain the following information as of the related Payment Date (unless otherwise stated), based in part on information provided by the Servicer:

(i) *Notes:*

(A) The amount of principal payments to be made on each Class of Notes on the related Payment Date;

(B) The Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes after giving effect to any principal payments on the related Payment Date and, for each Class of Notes, the percentage of its initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount that amount represents;

(C) For each Class of Notes, the percentage of the initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all of the Notes that its initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount represented and, after giving effect to any principal payments on the related Payment Date, the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all of the Notes that its Aggregate Outstanding Amount represents;

(D) The interest payable in respect of each Class of Notes on the related Payment Date (in the aggregate and by Class) and its calculation in reasonable detail; and



(E) The amounts to be paid, if any, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payments on the Preference Shares on the related Payment Date, showing separately the payments from Interest Proceeds and the payments from Principal Proceeds;

(ii) *Payment Date Payments:*

(A) The amounts to be distributed under each clause of Sections 11.1(a)(i), 11.1(a)(ii) and 11.2 itemized by clause, and to the extent applicable, by type of distribution under the clause; and

(B) Any amounts payable under the Hedge Agreements by any Hedge Counterparty on or before the related Payment Date and its calculation in reasonable detail (as specified by the calculation agent under the Hedge Agreement);

(iii) *Accounts:*

(A) The amount of any proceeds in the Collection Account, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds (excluding unapplied proceeds) and unapplied proceeds;

(B) The amount in the Collection Account after all payments and deposits to be made on the related Payment Date, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds and as Principal Proceeds;

(C) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Revolving Reserve Account;

(D) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account;

(E) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account;

(F) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Securities Lending Account;

(G) The amount in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account; and

(H) The amount in the Expense Reimbursement Account;

(iv) A notice setting forth LIBOR, as calculated by the Calculation Agent, for the next Interest Period and each Note Interest Rate for the next Payment Date; and

(v) Any other information the Trustee reasonably requests.

Upon receipt of each Valuation Report, the Trustee shall compare the information contained in the Valuation Report to the information contained in its records with respect to the Collateral and shall, within three Business Days after receipt of such Valuation Report, notify the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer if the information contained in the Valuation Report does not conform to the information maintained by the Trustee with respect to the Collateral,

and shall detail any discrepancies. In the event that any discrepancy exists, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Servicer shall attempt to resolve the discrepancy. If such discrepancy cannot be promptly resolved, the Trustee shall within five Business Days after notification of such discrepancy cause the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8 to review such Valuation Report and the Trustee's records to determine the cause of such discrepancy. If such review reveals an error in the Valuation Report or the Trustee's records, the Valuation Report or the Trustee's records shall be revised accordingly and, as so revised, shall be used in making all calculations pursuant to this Indenture and notice of any error in the Valuation Report shall be sent as soon as practicable by the Issuer to all recipients of such report. If the review by the Independent accountants does not resolve the discrepancy, the Trustee, upon receipt of an Officer's certificate of the Servicer certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the information contained in the related Valuation Report is correct, shall conform the information it maintains to the Valuation Report received.

(c) *Failure to Provide Accounting.* If the Trustee shall not have received any accounting provided for in Section 10.6(b) on the first Business Day after the date on which the accounting is due to the Trustee, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Servicer, and the Servicer shall use all reasonable efforts to cause the accounting to be made by the applicable Payment Date. To the extent the Trustee is required to provide any information or reports pursuant to this Section 10.6 as a result of the failure of the Issuer (or anyone acting on the Issuer's behalf) to provide the information or reports, the Trustee may retain an Independent certified public accountant in connection therewith and the reasonable costs incurred by the Trustee for the Independent certified public accountant shall be reimbursed pursuant to Section 6.8.

(d) *Irish Stock Exchange.* So long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange: (i) the Trustee shall communicate to the Irish Stock Exchange the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each listed Class of Senior Notes following each Payment Date and inform the Irish Stock Exchange if any such Class of Senior Notes did not receive scheduled payments of principal or interest on the Payment Date; (ii) the Trustee shall inform the Irish Stock Exchange if the ratings assigned to the Senior Notes are reduced or withdrawn and the information shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange; and (iii) the Trustee shall inform the Irish Stock Exchange, in advance, of the Note Interest Rate for each such Class, as well as the exact date of the following Payment Date.

(e) *Quarterly Letter.* The Servicer shall provide a quarterly letter to the recipients of the Valuation Report highlighting events occurring during the related quarterly period within 30 days of the date of the delivery of the Valuation Report.

(f) *S&P CDO Monitor.* On or after the Ramp-Up Completion Date and together with each Monthly Report, the Issuer shall provide to S&P the Excel Default Model Input File and, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, the name of the obligor thereon, the CUSIP number thereof (if applicable) and the S&P Priority Category thereof.

(g) *Payments or Transfers from the Payment Account.* Each Valuation Report shall constitute instructions to the Trustee to withdraw on the related Payment Date from the Payment Account and pay or transfer amounts set forth in such Valuation Report in the manner specified and in accordance with the priority established in Section 11.1 hereof.

#### Section 10.7. *Release of Collateral.*

(a) The Trustee shall present Collateral for redemption or payment in full in accordance with the terms of the Collateral upon receipt of an Issuer Order. If no Event of Default is

continuing, the Issuer may, by Issuer Order executed by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, delivered to the Trustee at least two Business Days before the settlement date for any sale of an obligation certifying that the sale of the Collateral is being made in accordance with Sections 12.1 and 12.3 and the sale complies with all applicable requirements of Section 12.1, direct the Trustee to release the Collateral and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall deliver any such Collateral, if in physical form, duly endorsed to the broker or purchaser designated in the Issuer Order or otherwise cause an appropriate transfer of it to be made, in each case against receipt of the sales price therefor as specified by the Servicer in the Issuer Order. The Trustee may deliver any such Collateral in physical form for examination pursuant to a bailee letter.

(b) The Trustee shall, upon an Issuer Order executed by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, deliver any Pledged Obligation that is set for any mandatory call or redemption or payment in full to the appropriate paying agent on or before the date set for the call, redemption or payment, in each case against receipt of its call or redemption price or payment in full and provide notice of it to the Servicer.

(c) Upon receiving actual notice of any Offer, the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer shall notify the Servicer of any Collateral Obligation that is subject to a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion or other similar action (an "*Offer*"). If no Event of Default is continuing, the Servicer may direct the Trustee (and if an Event of Default is continuing, the Servicer may advise, and the Trustee may, in consultation with the Servicer, decide) to accept or participate in or decline or refuse to participate in the Offer and, in the case of acceptance or participation, to dispose of the Collateral Obligation in accordance with the Offer against receipt of payment for it. If the consideration to be received by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation is other than Cash, the consideration must be a Collateral Obligation that would be eligible for purchase by the Issuer pursuant to Section 12.2 assuming for this purpose that the Issuer committed to purchase the same on the date on which the Issuer accepts the Offer.

(d) Upon disposition by the Trustee of Collateral to any Person against receipt of payment therefore as provided in any of the foregoing clauses (a), (b) or (c), the Collateral shall be free of the lien of this Indenture. The lien shall continue in the proceeds received from the disposition.

(e) As provided in Section 10.2(b), the Trustee shall deposit any proceeds received by it from the disposition of a Pledged Obligation in the Collection Account, unless simultaneously applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or Eligible Investments as permitted under and in accordance with the requirements of this Article 10 and Article 12.

(f) The Trustee shall, upon receipt of an Issuer Order when no Notes are Outstanding and all obligations of the Co-Issuers under this Indenture have been satisfied, as evidenced by an Officer's certificate or an Opinion of Counsel, release any remaining Collateral from the lien of this Indenture.

(g) The Trustee shall release from the lien of this Indenture any Collateral that is provided directly to a Synthetic Security Counterparty or deposited in a segregated account in accordance with Section 10.5. Any Collateral or proceeds received by or redeposited by the Issuer into the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.5 shall again be subject to the lien of this Indenture.

Any collateral deposited in a segregated account in accordance with Section 10.3(d), (e), and (f) shall be subject to the lien of this Indenture for the benefit of the Secured Parties. Any collateral withdrawn by the Issuer in accordance with Section 10.3(d), (e), and (f) shall be released from the lien of this Indenture by the Trustee to the extent returned to the appropriate counterparty pursuant to Sections 10.3(d), (e) and (f).

**Section 10.8. *Reports by Independent Accountants.***

(a) At the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall appoint a firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation for purposes of preparing and delivering the reports or certificates of the accountants required by this Indenture. Within 30 days of any resignation by the firm, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall promptly appoint by Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee and each Rating Agency a successor firm that is a firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation. If the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, fails to appoint a successor to a firm of Independent certified public accountants which has resigned within 30 days after the resignation, the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, shall promptly appoint a successor firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation. The fees of such Independent certified public accountants and their successors shall be payable by the Issuer as an Administrative Expense.

(b) On or before March 15 of each year commencing in 2008, the Issuer shall cause to be delivered to the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer or each Noteholder or Holder of Preference Shares upon written request therefor, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit H certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) and each Rating Agency a statement from a firm of Independent certified public accountants indicating (i) that the firm has reviewed each Valuation Report received since the last review and applicable information from the Trustee, (ii) that the calculations within those Valuation Reports have been performed in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture (except as otherwise noted in the statement) and (iii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the preceding Determination Date. If a conflict exists between the firm of Independent certified public accountants and the Issuer with respect to any matter in this Section 10.7, the determination by that firm of Independent public accountants shall be conclusive. The statement shall be in the form of an Accountant's Certificate issued to the Issuer, the form of which shall be agreed on by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer.

(c) Upon the written request of the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any Holder of Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the firm of Independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to Section 10.7(a) to provide any Holder of Preference Shares with all information requested pursuant to Section 7.17(g) or provide the Issuer with any assistance required in its preparation.

**Section 10.9. *Reports to Rating Agencies.***

In addition to the information and reports specifically required to be provided to each Rating Agency pursuant to this Indenture, the Issuer shall provide each Rating Agency with the Accountants' Certificates delivered to the Trustee under this Indenture, and such additional information as either Rating Agency may from time to time reasonably request. In addition, any notices of restructurings and amendments received by the Issuer or the Trustee in connection with the Issuer's ownership of a DIP Loan shall be delivered by the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) or the Trustee, as the case may be, promptly to the Rating Agencies.

## ARTICLE 11

### APPLICATION OF MONIES

#### Section 11.1. *Disbursements of Monies from Payment Account.*

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision in this Indenture, but subject to the other subsections of this Section 11.1 and to Section 13.1, on each Payment Date, the Trustee shall disburse available amounts from the Payment Account as follows and for application by the Trustee in accordance with the following priorities (the "**Priority of Payments**"):

(i) On each Payment Date, Interest Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period (other than Interest Proceeds previously used during such Due Period to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations or otherwise used as permitted by Section 10.2) shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

(1) to the payment of any taxes and registration and filing fees owed by the Co-Issuers (without limit) and then to the payment of Administrative Expenses up to the Administrative Expense Cap as follows:

FIRST, in the following order of priority,

- (i) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Trustee; and then
- (ii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Collateral Administrator;  
and then
- (iii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Preference Shares Paying Agent
- (iv) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent; and

SECOND, in the following order of priority,

- (x) fees and expenses of the Administrator; and then
  - (y) fees and expenses of the Co-Issuers (including fees and expenses of counsel and ongoing surveillance, credit estimate, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies) and any other Person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for in this Indenture, and to the expenses (but not fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;
- (2) the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts paid pursuant to clause (1) above to deposit into the Expense Reimbursement Account;
- (3) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with Section 10.3(j) an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee then due and payable and SECOND, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Senior

Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause;

(4) to the payment of all amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements (if any) other than any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;

(5) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes, in each case, *pro rata* in proportion to the respective amounts of interest, Defaulted Interest and Defaulted Interest Charge then due on each such Class (provided that amounts allocated to the payment of the Class A-2 Notes shall be paid, first, to the Class A-2a Notes and, second, to the Class A-2b Notes);

(6) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-3 Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-3 Notes;

(7) if the Class A Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes and the Class A-3 Notes in the Note Payment Sequence in the amount necessary so that all of the Class A Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (7) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(1) on the current Payment Date);

(8) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B Notes (excluding Class B Deferred Interest, but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class B Deferred Interest);

(9) if the Class B Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class B Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class B Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (9) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(3) on the current Payment Date);

(10) to the payment of Class B Deferred Interest;

(11) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class C Notes (excluding Class C Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class C Deferred Interest);

(12) if the Class C Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class C Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid

in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (12) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(6) on the current Payment Date);

(13) to the payment of Class C Deferred Interest;

(14) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class D Notes (excluding Class D Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class D Deferred Interest);

(15) if the Class D Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date and (i) all of the Class A Coverage Tests, the Class B Coverage Tests and the Class C Coverage Tests are satisfied on such Determination Date (without giving effect to any amounts payable pursuant to clauses (7), (9) and (12) above on the related Payment Date), to the payment of principal of the Class D Notes in the amount necessary so that all of the Class D Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full, or (ii) the conditions of sub-clause (i) are not satisfied, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class D Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (15) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(9) on the current Payment Date);

(16) to the payment of Class D Deferred Interest;

(17) if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that a Rating Confirmation is obtained, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (17) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(11) on the current Payment Date);

(18) during the Replacement Period, if the Retention Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, for deposit to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds 50% of the remaining Interest Proceeds available after the payments pursuant to clause (17) above (or, if the amount necessary to cause the Retention Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as of such Determination Date is less than 50% of such remaining Interest Proceeds, such necessary amount);

(19) to the payment of any remaining Administrative Expenses not paid under clause (1) above in the respective priorities specified in clause (1);

(20) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with Section 10.3(j) an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee then due and payable and SECOND, to the payment (*pro rata* according to the amounts payable under clauses (x) and (y) below) to: (x) the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Subordinated

Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and (y) *pro rata* to each Noteholder entitled thereto, the applicable Extension Bonus Payment pursuant to, and in accordance with, Section 2.4(g);

(21) to the payment of any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;

(22) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0%;

(23) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with Section 10.3(j) of an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) the Supplemental Servicing Fee, if applicable and SECOND, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Supplemental Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and

(24) any remaining Interest Proceeds, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares;

provided that, in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds referred to under clauses (22) and (24) above, in whole or in part on any Payment Date, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute any Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be due and payable on such Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to any such Payment Date shall be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution in accordance with Priority of Payments on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be increased accordingly.

(ii) On each Payment Date, Principal Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period other than:

(A) Principal Proceeds previously used to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or otherwise used as permitted by Section 10.2,



(B) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, or the Securities Lending Account, and

(C) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed Purchase Prices for Collateral Obligations with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment before the end of the Due Period for their purchase, but has not settled the purchase by the end of the Due Period,

shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

(1) (x) FIRST, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (6) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (y) SECOND, to the payment of amounts referred to in clause (7) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class A Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (1), or until such amounts are paid in full;

(2) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (8) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(3) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (9) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class B Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (3), or until such amounts are paid in full;

(4) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (10) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(5) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (11) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(6) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (12) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class C Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (6), or until such amounts are paid in full;

(7) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (13) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(8) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (14) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(9) to the payment of the amounts referred to in sub-clause (ii) in clause (15) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (regardless whether or not the conditions of sub-clause (i) of such clause (15) are satisfied) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class D Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related

Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (9), or until such amounts are paid in full;

(10) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (16) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(11) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (17) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(12)

(A) if the Payment Date is a Redemption Date in the following order of priority: (i) to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of the Redemption Prices of all of the Notes to be redeemed, (ii) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (19) through (23) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (iii) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares of the Redemption Price of any Preference Shares to be redeemed; and

(B) if the Payment Date is a Special Redemption Date, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of the Notes in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount, in each case until paid in full;

(13) during the Replacement Period, all remaining Principal Proceeds to the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.19 and Article 12 (and, until so applied (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), to be deposited in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds);

(14) after the Replacement Period, (i) FIRST, at the discretion of the Servicer (with respect to Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations) to the purchase or funding of additional or replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the applicable provisions of this Indenture when appropriate Collateral Obligations are available, and until such time, to the Collection Account for the purchase of Eligible Investments; and (ii) SECOND, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of Notes until paid in full;

(15) to the extent not previously paid in full under clause (12) above, after the Replacement Period, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (19) through (23) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; and

(16) after the Replacement Period to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

(b) If on any Payment Date the amount available in the Payment Account is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by the Valuation Report, the

Trustee shall make the disbursements called for in the order and according to the priority under Section 11.1(a), subject to Section 13.1, to the extent funds are available therefor.

(c) The Trustee shall remit funds to pay Administrative Expenses of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in accordance with Section 11.1(a), to the extent available, to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer as directed and designated in an Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions) delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before each Payment Date.

(d) If the Hedge Counterparty defaults in the payment of its obligations to the Issuer under the respective Hedge Agreements on the date on which any payment is due thereunder, the Trustee shall make a demand on the Hedge Counterparty, or any guarantor, if applicable, demanding payment by 12:30 P.M., New York time, on that date. The Trustee shall give notice to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer and each Rating Agency upon the continuing failure by the Hedge Counterparty to perform its obligations during the two Business Days following a demand made by the Trustee on, the Hedge Counterparty, and shall take the action with respect to the continuing failure as directed by the Servicer unless an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing in which case direction is to be taken pursuant to Section 5.13.

(e) Except as otherwise expressly provided in Section 11.1(a) above, if on any Payment Date, the amount available in the Payment Account from amounts received in the related Due Period is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by any numbered or lettered paragraph or clause of Section 11.1(a) to different Persons, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for by the paragraph or clause ratably in accordance with the respective amounts of the disbursements then payable, subject to Section 13.1, to the extent funds are available therefor.

## ARTICLE 12

### SALE OF COLLATERAL OBLIGATIONS; PURCHASE OF COLLATERAL OBLIGATIONS

#### Section 12.1. *Sales of Collateral Obligations.*

Subject to the satisfaction of the conditions specified in Section 10.6, Section 12.1 and Section 12.3 and if no Event of Default is continuing as evidenced by an Officer's certificate of the Servicer provided to the Trustee, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset if the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that the sale meets the requirements of any one of paragraphs (a) through (i) of this Section 12.1. If the Issuer sells any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset during the Replacement Period, the proceeds shall be applied in accordance with Section 12.2.

(a) *Credit Risk Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Risk Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Risk Obligation in accordance with such direction. Following any sale of a Credit Risk Obligation pursuant to this Section 12.1(a), at the direction of the Servicer during the Replacement Period, the Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (to the extent the purchase is in the best interest of the Issuer) meeting the Eligibility Criteria with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Sale Proceeds received by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral Obligation sold.

For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount.

(b) *Credit Improved Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Improved Obligation if either:

(i) during the Replacement Period, the Servicer has identified in writing before the sale one or more specific manners in which it will be able, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria and the requirements set forth in Section 12.1(i), to cause the Issuer to use the Sale Proceeds (it being understood that such identification shall not be considered either a requirement or an assurance that any specified purchase will be consummated) to purchase one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Credit Improved Obligation by the end of the immediately succeeding Due Period (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest) which in aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Tests, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith being improved, (ii) the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests and Concentration Limitations being improved on a net basis in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased; and

(ii) after the Replacement Period, the Sale Proceeds received in respect of the Credit Improved Obligation are at least equal to its Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest;

and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Improved Obligation in accordance with such direction.

(c) *Non-Performing Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction. Non-Performing Collateral Obligations may be sold regardless of price.

(d) *Non-qualifying Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation (the "**Non-qualifying Collateral Obligation**") at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell that obligation in accordance with such direction.

(e) *Withholding Tax Sales.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation subject to withholding tax at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction.

(f) *Optional Redemption.* After the Issuer has notified the Trustee of an Optional Redemption of the Notes in accordance with Article 9, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all or a portion of the Collateral Obligations as contemplated therein if (i) the requirements of Article 9 are satisfied and (ii) the Independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to Section 10.7 have confirmed the calculations contained in any required certificate furnished by the Servicer pursuant to Section 9.3(c). After a Majority of the Preference Shares have directed an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares in accordance with Section 9.2(b), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all of the remaining Collateral Obligations (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(i)) or a portion of the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous directions of Holders of the Preference Shares (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii)) and the Trustee shall sell the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

(g) *Rating Confirmation Failure.* After the Servicer has received notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Securities, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell Collateral Obligations as contemplated in Section 9.1 and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

(h) *Workout Assets.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Workout Asset at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and regardless of price and the Trustee shall sell the Workout Assets in accordance with such direction.

(i) *Supervening Requirement.* Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Issuer (at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise) shall not acquire or dispose of a Collateral Obligation or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. For the avoidance of doubt, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise, may direct the Trustee to sell any CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation or Deep Discount Obligation only (a) if it constitutes Credit Risk Obligation or Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or (b) in connection with the Optional Redemption as set out in paragraph (f) above. The Trustee shall have no obligation to monitor compliance by the Issuer or the Servicer with respect to the requirement set out in this paragraph (i).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation (other than the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation or a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation pursuant to a sale that meets the requirements in paragraph (a) or (c) above, as applicable) following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to Section 14 of the Servicing Agreement until a successor Servicer is appointed pursuant to Section 12 of the Servicing Agreement.

## Section 12.2. *Purchase of Collateral Obligations.*

(a) On any date during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and

Credit Improved Obligations, on any date after the Replacement Period), so long as no Event of Default is continuing, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to apply Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations) to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) if the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the conditions specified in this Section 12.2 and Section 12.3 are met.

(b) *Eligibility Criteria.* No obligations may be purchased unless each of the conditions in the following clauses (i) through (xii) (the "***Eligibility Criteria***") is satisfied as evidenced by a certificate of the Servicer as of the date the Issuer commits to make the purchase, in each case after giving effect to the purchase and all other purchases and sales previously or simultaneously committed to:

(i) the obligation is a Collateral Obligation;

(ii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period:

(A) each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied and, if the commitment is made on or after the second Payment Date, each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied, or

(B) if any such Coverage Test is not satisfied, both:

(1) the extent of satisfaction of the Coverage Test is not reduced, and

(2) the Collateral Obligation is being purchased with Principal Proceeds other than:

(x) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, or

(y) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Workout Asset that has been received in exchange for a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;

(iii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Diversity Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(iv) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(v) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, each of the limits in the definition of "Concentration Limitations" is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(vi) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(vii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(viii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(ix) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(x) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(xi) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced; provided, however, that this Eligibility Criterion (xi) shall not apply either to the application of the proceeds from the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset or to the application of Principal Proceeds in respect of Defaulted Collateral Obligations; and

(xii) for any date occurring after the Replacement Period:

(A) each Coverage Test is satisfied and the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(B) each Collateral Quality Test is maintained or improved and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied;

(C) each Concentration Limitation is maintained or improved and the Aggregate Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations do not exceed 7.5% of the Maximum Amount;

(D) the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied;

(E) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation is at least equal to the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments or of the Credit Risk Obligations or Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable; and

(F) the current Moody's Rating on the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2a Notes is "Aaa" and the current Moody's Ratings on the Class A-2b Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes are no lower than one subcategory below their Initial Rating.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) one or more Collateral Obligations may be purchased pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange effected in compliance with Section 12.1(b) regardless of whether such purchase would otherwise satisfy the Eligibility Criterion set forth in clause (xii) above and (ii) the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to purchase any Collateral Obligation following receipt by the

Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to Section 14 of the Servicing Agreement until a successor Servicer is appointed pursuant Section 12 of the Servicing Agreement. .

(c) *Certain Permitted Exchanges.* The Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, exchange a Collateral Obligation for another Collateral Obligation in an A/B Exchange.

(d) *Certification by Servicer.* Not later than the Business Day preceding the settlement date for any Collateral Obligation purchased after the Closing Date (but in any event no later than the release of Cash for the Purchase Price of the purchase), the Servicer shall deliver to the Trustee an Officer's certificate of the Servicer certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the purchase complies with this Section 12.2 and with Section 12.3 (determined as of the date that the Issuer commits to make the purchase).

(e) *Eligible Investments.* Cash on deposit in the Collection Account may be held at any time in Eligible Investments in accordance with Section 10.4(a) pending the application thereof to purchase Collateral Obligations.

**Section 12.3. *Conditions Applicable to All Sale and Purchase Transactions.***

(a) Any sale or purchase by the Issuer of a Collateral Obligation shall be conducted on an arm's length basis and, if effected with the Servicer or a Person Affiliated with the Servicer or any fund or account for which the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer acts as investment adviser, shall be effected in accordance with the requirements of Section 5 of the Servicing Agreement on terms no less favorable to the Issuer than would be the case if the Person were not so Affiliated. The Trustee shall have no responsibility to oversee compliance with this clause (a) by the other parties.

(b) Upon any acquisition of any Collateral Obligation, all of the Issuer's interest in the Collateral Obligation shall be Granted to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture.

(c) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Article 12, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to sell or purchase any Collateral Obligation (other than the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation or a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation pursuant to Section 12.1(a) or (c), as applicable) following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to Section 14 of the Servicing Agreement until a successor Servicer is appointed pursuant to Section 12(e) of the Servicing Agreement.

**Section 12.4. *Certain Determinations Relating to Collateral Obligations.***

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Indenture, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have purchased any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to purchase, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to receive such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have acquired, granted or delivered, as the case may be, such Collateral Obligations on such date.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Indenture, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to sell, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to sell, and



requiring the purchaser to purchase, such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold such Collateral Obligations on such date.

(c) Under the circumstances described in subsections (a) and (b) above, if the transaction contemplated by the contract, commitment letter, confirmation or due bill referred to therein does not settle on or before the 60th day following the scheduled settlement date (the "**Deadline**"), the deemed purchase or sale shall be deemed not to have occurred; provided, however, that the Servicer shall have the right to extend the Deadline for an additional period (not to exceed an additional 60 days) by notice to the Trustee, which notice shall include the Servicer's certification to the effect that the Servicer believes that the settlement shall occur on or before the extended Deadline.

(d) Scheduled distributions with respect to any Pledged Collateral Obligation shall be determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture.

## ARTICLE 13

### NOTEHOLDERS' RELATIONS

#### Section 13.1. ***Subordination.***

(a) With respect to each Class of Notes and the Preference Shares, the Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares that are Priority Classes and Junior Classes are as follows:

Class	Junior Classes	Priority Classes
A-1 Notes*	A-3, B, C, D, Preference Shares**	None
A-2a Notes*	A-2b, A-3, B, C, D, Preference Shares**	None
A-2b Notes*	A-3, B, C, D, Preference Shares**	A-2a
A-3 Notes	B, C, D, Preference Shares**	A-1, A-2
B	C, D, Preference Shares**	A-1, A-2, A-3
C	D, Preference Shares**	A-1, A-2, A-3, B
D	Preference Shares**	A-1, A-2, A-3, B, C
Preference Shares	None***	A-1, A-2, A-3, B, C, D

\* The payment of principal of and interest on the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes shall rank *pari passu* (provided that amounts allocated to the payment of the Class A-2 Notes shall be paid, first, to the Class A-2a Notes and, second, to the Class A-2b Notes).

\*\* Other than with respect to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, which may be payable to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as set forth herein and will have priority to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

\*\*\* The Preference Shares will be entitled to certain residual cash flow after payment of senior obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

(b) Anything in this Indenture or the Notes to the contrary notwithstanding, the Holders of each Class of Notes that is a Junior Class agree for the benefit of the Holders of Notes of each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class that the Junior Class shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes of each Priority Class to the extent and in the manner provided in this Indenture. If any Event of Default has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs and is continuing in accordance with Article 5, each Priority Class of Notes shall be paid in full in Cash or, to the extent a Majority of each Class consents, other than in Cash, before any further payment or distribution is made on account of any Junior Class of Notes with respect to the Priority Class. The Holders of each Junior Class of Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of Notes of each Priority Class in respect of the Junior Class, not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for failure to pay to them amounts due to the Junior Class, of the Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or under this Indenture until the payment in full of the Priority Classes or all the Classes, as the case may be, and not before one year and a day, or if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, has elapsed since the payment.

(c) If, notwithstanding the provisions of this Indenture, any Holder of Notes of any Junior Class has received any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes contrary to the provisions of this Indenture, then, until each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class of Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, has been paid in full in Cash or, to the extent a Majority of the Priority Class or the Class, as the case may be, consents, other than in Cash in accordance with this Indenture, the payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, which shall pay and deliver the same to the Holders of the applicable Priority Classes of Notes or the Holders of all Classes of Notes, as the case may be, in accordance with this Indenture. If any such payment or distribution is made other than in Cash, it shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and subject in all respects to this Indenture, including this Section 13.1.

(d) Each Holder of Notes of any Junior Class agrees with all Holders of the applicable Priority Classes that the Holder of Junior Class Notes shall not demand, accept, or receive any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes in violation of this Indenture including this Section 13.1. After a Priority Class has been paid in full, the Holders of Notes of the related Junior Class or Classes shall be fully subrogated to the rights of the Holders of the Priority Class. Nothing in this Section 13.1 shall affect the obligation of the Issuer to pay Holders of any Junior Class of Notes.

(e) Distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) are subordinate to distributions on the Notes as described in the Priority of Payments.

(f) The Servicing Fees shall have priority only to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

#### Section 13.2. *Standard of Conduct.*

In exercising any of its or their voting rights, rights to direct and consent, or any other rights as a Noteholder under this Indenture, a Noteholder shall not have any obligation or duty to any Person or to consider or take into account the interests of any Person and shall not be liable to any Person for any action taken by it or them or at its or their direction or any failure by it or them to act or to direct that an action be taken, without regard to whether the action or inaction benefits or adversely affects any Noteholder, the Issuer or any other Person, except for any liability to which the Noteholder may be subject to the extent the same results from the Noteholder's taking or directing an action, or failing to take or direct an action, in bad faith or in violation of the express terms of this Indenture.

## ARTICLE 14

### MISCELLANEOUS

#### Section 14.1. *Form of Documents Delivered to Trustee.*

In any case where several matters are required to be certified by, or covered by an opinion of, any specified Person, it is not necessary that all the matters be certified by, or covered by the opinion of, only one Person, or that they be so certified or covered by only one document, but one such Person may certify or give an opinion with respect to some matters and one or more other such Persons as to other matters, and any such Person may certify or give an opinion as to the matters in one or several documents.

Any certificate or opinion of an Officer of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Servicer may be based, insofar as it relates to legal matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, counsel, unless the Officer knows, or should know that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to the matters upon which his certificate or opinion is based are erroneous. Any such certificate of an Officer of the Issuer, Co-Issuer or the Servicer or Opinion of Counsel may be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or any other Person, stating that the information with respect to the factual matters is in the possession of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or the other Person, unless the Officer of the Issuer, Co-Issuer or the Servicer or the counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to factual matters are erroneous. Any Opinion of Counsel may also be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, an Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, stating that the information with respect to factual matters is in the possession of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, unless the counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to factual matters are erroneous.

Where any Person is required to make, give, or execute two or more applications, requests, consents, certificates, statements, opinions or other instruments under this Indenture, they may, but need not, be consolidated and form one instrument.

Whenever this Indenture provides that the absence of the continuation of a Default or Event of Default is a condition precedent to the taking of any action by the Trustee at the request or direction of either Co-Issuer, then notwithstanding that the satisfaction of the condition is a condition precedent to the Co-Issuer's right to make the request or direction, the Trustee shall be protected in acting in accordance with the request or direction if it does not have knowledge of the continuation of the Default or Event of Default as provided in Section 6.1(d).

#### Section 14.2. *Acts of Holders of Securities.*

(a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or taken by Holders of Securities may be embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments (which may be an electronic document, including, but not limited, to in the form of e-mail, to the extent permitted by applicable law) of substantially similar tenor signed by Holders of Securities in Person or by agents duly appointed in writing (provided that no signature shall be required on electronic documents, including, but not limited to, in the form of e-mail to the extent permitted by law). Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, the action shall become effective when the instruments are delivered to the Trustee (which instrument or instruments may be delivered through the Preference Shares Paying Agent, in the case of the Holders of the Preference Shares) and, if expressly required, to the Issuer. The instruments (and the action embodied in them) are referred to as the "*Act*" of the Holders of Securities signing the

instruments. Proof of execution of any instrument or of a writing appointing an agent for a Holder of a Security shall be sufficient for any purpose of this Indenture and conclusive in favor of the Trustee and the Issuer, if made in the manner provided in this Section.

(b) The fact and date of the execution by any Person of any instrument may be proved by an affidavit of a witness to the execution or the certificate of any notary public or other Person authorized by law to acknowledge the execution of deeds. Any certificate on behalf of a jural entity executed by a Person purporting to have authority to act on behalf of the jural entity shall itself be sufficient proof of the authority of the Person executing it to act. The fact and date of the execution by any Person of any instrument may also be proved in any other manner that the Trustee deems sufficient.

(c) The Indenture Register shall prove the ownership of the Notes and the principal amount and registered numbers of Notes and the number of Preference Shares held by and the number(s) of the Preference Share certificate(s) issued to, any Person shall be proved by the Preference Share register.

(d) Any Act by the Holder of a Security shall bind every Holder of the same Security and every Security issued on its transfer or in exchange for it or in lieu of it, in respect of anything done, omitted or suffered to be done by the Trustee or the Issuer in reliance on the Act, whether or not notation of the action is made on the Securities.

(e) With respect to any time period or deadline to deliver any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other communication provided by this Indenture to be given by Holders of the Preference Shares, the Holders of Holding Securities shall not be prejudiced by any delay in delivery of such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other communication from the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, Trustee or the Issuer, as the case may be. If any such Holder of Holding Securities timely delivers such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other communication to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other communication shall be deemed to be timely delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, Trustee or the Issuer, as the case may be.

#### Section 14.3. *Notices, etc., to Certain Persons or Parties.*

(a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, order, notice, consent, waiver, or Act of Holders of Securities or other documents provided or permitted by this Indenture to be made, given, or furnished to, or filed with:

(i) the Trustee or Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and made, given, furnished, or filed to and mailed, by certified mail, return receipt requested, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service guaranteeing next day delivery, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Trustee or Preference Shares Paying Agent addressed to it at, 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116, telecopy no. (617) 351-4358, Attention: CDO Services Group, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto by the Trustee (any request, direction, order, notice or other communication from the Servicer to the Trustee under Article 12 (other than required certifications) may be by electronic mail, which shall be deemed to be in writing);

(ii) the Co-Issuers shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class

postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Issuer addressed to it at c/o Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited, P.O. Box 1234, Queensgate House, George Town, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, Cayman Islands, telecopy no. (345) 945-6265, Attention: the Directors—Eastland CLO, Ltd., or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, with a copy to the Servicer at its address below;

(iii) the Servicer shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Servicer addressed to it at Two Galleria Tower, 13455 Noel Road, Suite 800, Dallas, Texas 75240, telecopy no. (972) 628-4147, Attention: James Dondero, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto;

(iv) the Initial Purchaser shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Initial Purchaser addressed to them at 390 Greenwich Street., 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10013, telecopy no. (212) 723-8671, Attention CDO Group, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, and the Trustee by an Officer of the Initial Purchaser, as the case may be

(v) the Placement Agent shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Placement Agent addressed to them at 390 Greenwich Street., 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10013, telecopy no. (212) 723-8671, Attention CDO Group, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Issuer, the Servicer, and the Trustee by an Officer of the Placement Agent, as the case may be;

(vi) any Hedge Counterparty shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered or sent by overnight courier service or by telecopy in legible form to the Hedge Counterparty addressed to it at the address specified in the relevant Hedge Agreement or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Issuer or the Trustee by the Hedge Counterparty;

(vii) the Rating Agencies shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to each Rating Agency addressed to it at Moody's Investors Service, Inc., 99 Church Street, New York, New York, 10007, Telecopy No. (212) 553-4170, cdomonitoring@moodys.com, Attention: CBO/CLO Monitoring and Standard & Poor's, 55 Water Street, 41<sup>st</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10041-0003, telecopy no. (212) 438-2664, Attention: Asset Backed-CBO/CLO Surveillance and each Monthly Report shall also be sent to S&P electronically to CDO\_Surveillance@standardandpoors.com;

(viii) the Administrator shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by facsimile in legible form, addressed to Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited, P.O. Box 1234, Queensgate

House, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, telecopy no. (345) 949-9876, Attention: The Directors; or

(ix) the Repository shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if delivered to the Repository at CDO Library, c/o The Bond Market Association, 360 Madison Avenue, 18th Floor, New York, New York 10017, electronic mail address: admin@cdolibrary.com. Any document required to be delivered or made available to the Repository by the Trustee may be made available by providing the operator of the Repository with access to a website containing such document in a format that permits the user to download the document as a pdf file.

(b) If any provision in this Indenture calls for any notice or document to be delivered simultaneously to the Trustee and any other Person, the Trustee's receipt of the notice or document shall entitle the Trustee to assume that the notice or document was delivered to the other Person unless otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture.

(c) Any Holder or beneficial owner of any Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2a Notes or Class A-2b Notes may elect to acquire bond insurance, a surety bond, a credit default swap or similar credit enhancement supporting the payment of principal and/or interest on such Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2a Notes or Class A-2b Notes, as applicable, on terms and conditions acceptable to such Holder or beneficial owner and at the sole expense of such Holder or beneficial owner. On or after any such acquisition, such Holder or beneficial owner may deliver notice (and if from a beneficial owner, any such notice shall include certification that such owner is a beneficial owner of the Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2a Notes or Class A-2b Notes, as applicable) to the Trustee in substantially the form of Exhibit J specifying the name and contact information of the insurer, surety, credit protection seller or enhancer of such Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2a Notes or Class A-2b Notes, as applicable (each, an "**Insurer**"). After receipt of any such notice (in the form of Exhibit J) by the Trustee, the Trustee shall copy the related Insurer on all notices, reports or other documents delivered to the Noteholders.

(d) Unless notified to the contrary by Financial Security Assurance Inc. ("**FSA**") or unless FSA is no longer to direct the vote of at least the Super Majority of the Class A-2a Notes, each of the parties hereto agrees that, so long as any Class A-2a Notes are Outstanding, FSA shall be entitled to receive, and shall be distributed, all reports, notices, certificates, statements and other information (including access to the Trustee's password protected website) that are required to be delivered to any Holder of the Class A-2a Notes (or that any Holder of the Class A-2a Notes is entitled to request) at the same time and in the same manner as such reports, notices, certificates, statements and other information are delivered to each such Holder of Class A-2a Notes, at the following address (or at any other address furnished in writing from time to time by FSA to the parties hereto): Financial Security Assurance Inc., 31 West 52<sup>nd</sup> Street, New York, NY 10019, Attention: CDO Surveillance, telephone no.: (212) 826-0100; electronic mail: cdoreport@fsa.com, facsimile no.: (212) 339-3581. For the avoidance of doubt, FSA shall be entitled to request directly that the parties hereto provide it with such reports, notices, certificates, statements and other information that are required to be delivered to any Holder of the Class A-2a Notes (or that any Holder of the Class A-2a Notes is entitled to request).

**Section 14.4. *Notices to Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent; Waiver.***

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, where this Indenture provides for notice to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of

Preference Shares) or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Securities) of any event,

(a) the notice shall be sufficiently given to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, each Noteholder affected by the event, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, at the address of the Holder as it appears in the Indenture Register, at the address of the Preference Shares Paying Agent supplied by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Trustee or at the address of the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent supplied by the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Trustee, as applicable, not earlier than the earliest date and not later than the latest date, prescribed for the giving of the notice; and

(b) the notice shall be in the English language.

Notices shall be deemed to have been given on the date of their mailing.

Notwithstanding clause (a), a Noteholder, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent may give the Trustee a written notice that it is requesting that notices to it be given by facsimile transmissions and stating the telecopy number for the transmission. Thereafter, the Trustee shall give notices to the Holder, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent by facsimile transmission. If the notice also requests that notices be given by mail, then the notice shall also be given by mail in accordance with clause (a) above, as the case may be.

The Trustee shall deliver to the Noteholders any information or notice relating to this Indenture requested to be so delivered by at least 10% (by Aggregate Outstanding Amount) of the Holders of any Class of Notes at the expense of the Issuer. The Trustee shall deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent any information or notice that the Preference Shares Paying Agent certifies was requested to be so delivered by at least 10% (by Aggregate Outstanding Amount) of the Holders of the Preference Shares at the expense of the Issuer. The Trustee shall deliver to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent any information or notice that the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent certifies was requested to be so delivered by at least 10% (by Aggregate Outstanding Amount) of the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares at the expense of the Issuer.

Neither the failure to mail any notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Noteholder, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent shall affect the sufficiency of the notice with respect to other Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent. If it is impracticable to give the notice by mail of any event to Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent when the notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this Indenture because of the suspension of regular mail service as a result of a strike, work stoppage or similar activity or because of any other cause, then the notification to Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent as shall be made with the approval of the Trustee shall be a sufficient notification to the Holders for every purpose under this Indenture.

Where this Indenture provides for notice in any manner, the notice may be waived in writing by any Person entitled to receive the notice, either before or after the event, and the waiver shall be the equivalent of the notice. Waivers of notice by Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be filed with the Trustee but the filing shall not be a condition precedent to the validity of any action taken in reliance on the waiver.

So long as any Senior Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, all notices to Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Preference Shares) or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Holding Securities) shall also be given to the Irish Paying Agent for publication in the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

The Issuer shall (and authorizes the Trustee to) deliver to the Initial Purchaser all periodic reports, notices, demands, and other written information delivered or received by the Issuer, the Servicer, trustees, paying agents, accountants, or other Persons pursuant to this Indenture and other operative documentation relating to the Notes requested by the Initial Purchaser (collectively, the "**Transaction Reports**") and the Issuer consents to the Initial Purchaser providing Transaction Reports received by it to current and prospective investors in the Notes (including by means of electronic transmissions or posting the Transaction Reports on internet sites maintained by the Initial Purchaser or any of its Affiliates).

Section 14.5. ***Effect of Headings and Table of Contents.***

The Article and Section headings in this Indenture and the Table of Contents are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction of this Indenture.

Section 14.6. ***Successors and Assigns.***

All covenants and agreements in this Indenture by the Co-Issuers shall bind their respective successors and assigns, whether so expressed or not.

Section 14.7. ***Separability.***

Except to the extent prohibited by applicable law, in case any provision in this Indenture, in the Notes shall be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the validity, legality, and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

Section 14.8. ***Benefits of Indenture.***

Nothing in this Indenture or in the Notes, expressed or implied, shall give to any Person, other than the parties hereto and their successors under this Indenture, the Servicer, the Noteholders, the Holders of Preference Shares or the Preference Shares Paying Agent any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under this Indenture.

Section 14.9. ***Governing Law.***

THIS INDENTURE AND EACH NOTE SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS PROVISIONS THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION.

Section 14.10. ***Submission to Jurisdiction.***

The Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or federal court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Securities or this Indenture, and the Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably agree that all claims in respect of the action or proceeding may be heard and determined in the New York State or federal court. The Co-Issuers



and the Trustee hereby irrevocably waive, to the fullest extent that they may legally do so, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of the action or proceeding. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee irrevocably consent to the service of all process in any action or proceeding by the mailing or delivery of copies of the process to the Co-Issuers at the office of Investors Bank & Trust Company (to the attention of Investors Bank & Trust Company, Trustee for Eastland CLO, Ltd.) set out in Section 7.2. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee agree that a final judgment in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

**Section 14.11. *Counterparts.***

This Indenture may be executed in any number of copies, and by the different parties on the same or separate counterparts, each of which shall be considered to be an original instrument.

**Section 14.12. *Acts of Issuer.***

Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or performed by the Issuer shall be effective if given or performed by the Issuer or by the Servicer on the Issuer's behalf.

**Section 14.13. *Consent of Posting of Documents on Repository.***

The Issuer hereby consents to (a) the posting of the final Offering Memorandum, this Indenture and the periodic reports to be delivered pursuant to the transaction documents and any amendments or other modifications thereto on the Repository for use in the manner provided in the Repository and (b) the display of its name on the Repository in connection therewith. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Trustee makes any representation or warranty to The Bond Market Association (or any successor thereto) or any affiliate thereof or any Person having or obtaining access to the information maintained in the Repository or to any of such Person's affiliates regarding the accuracy or completeness of any information, document, report or other communication transmitted to the Repository, and no Person having or obtaining access to the information maintained in the Repository shall have any rights under this Indenture or otherwise by reason of the transmission of any such information, document, report or other communication to the Repository.

**Section 14.14. *Liability of Co-Issuers.***

Notwithstanding any other terms of this Indenture, the Notes or any other agreement entered into by either of the Co-Issuers or otherwise, neither of the Co-Issuers shall have any liability whatsoever to the other of the Co-Issuers under this Indenture, the Notes, any other agreement, or otherwise. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, neither of the Co-Issuers may take any action to enforce, or bring any action or proceeding, in respect of this Indenture, the Notes, any other agreement, or otherwise against the other of the Co-Issuers. In particular, neither of the Co-Issuers may petition or take any other steps for the winding up or bankruptcy of the other of the Co-Issuers and neither of the Co-Issuers shall have any claim with respect to any assets of the other of the Co-Issuers.

**Section 14.15. *Indemnity of Co-Issuer.***

The Issuer agrees to indemnify the Co-Issuer for any payments that may become due from the Co-Issuer under Article 11 with respect to any Notes issued under this Indenture and any administrative, legal, or other costs incurred by the Co-Issuer in connection with those payments.

## ARTICLE 15

### ASSIGNMENT OF SERVICING AGREEMENT; HEDGE AGREEMENTS

#### Section 15.1. *Assignment of Servicing Agreement; Amendment of Servicing Agreement.*

(a) The Issuer, in furtherance of the covenants of this Indenture and as security for the Notes and amounts payable to the Secured Parties under this Indenture and the performance and observance of the provisions of this Indenture, acknowledges that its Grant pursuant to the first Granting Clause includes all of the Issuer's interest in the Servicing Agreement, including:

- (i) the right to give all notices, consents and releases under it,
- (ii) the right to give all notices of termination pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and to take any legal action upon the breach of an obligation of the Servicer under it, including the commencement, conduct and consummation of proceedings at law or in equity,
- (iii) the right to receive all notices, accountings, consents, releases and statements under it, and
- (iv) the right to do all other things whatsoever that the Issuer is or may be entitled to do under it.

Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, the Trustee may not exercise any of the rights in (i) through (iv) above or that may otherwise arise as a result of the Grant until the occurrence of an Event of Default under this Indenture and the authority shall terminate when the Event of Default is cured or waived.

(b) The assignment made hereby is executed as security, and the execution and delivery hereby shall not in any way impair or diminish the obligations of the Issuer under the Servicing Agreement, nor shall any of the obligations contained in the Servicing Agreement be imposed on the Trustee.

(c) Upon the retirement of the Notes and the release of the Collateral from the lien of this Indenture, this assignment, and all rights in this Indenture assigned to the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders shall cease and terminate and all the interest of the Trustee in the Servicing Agreement shall revert to the Issuer and no further instrument or act shall be necessary to evidence the termination and reversion.

(d) The Issuer represents that the Issuer has not executed any other assignment of the Servicing Agreement.

(e) The Issuer agrees that this assignment is irrevocable, and that it shall not take any action that is inconsistent with this assignment or make any other assignment inconsistent herewith. The Issuer shall, from time to time upon the request of the Trustee, execute all instruments of further assurance and all such supplemental instruments with respect to this assignment as the Trustee may reasonably request.

(f) The Issuer agrees to obtain the agreement and consent of the Servicer in the Servicing Agreement to the following:

(i) the Servicer consents to this collateral assignment and agrees to perform any provisions of this Indenture made expressly applicable to the Servicer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement.

(ii) the Servicer acknowledges that the Issuer is collaterally assigning all of its interest in the Servicing Agreement to the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties and the Servicer agrees that all of the representations, covenants and agreements made by the Servicer in the Servicing Agreement are also for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

(iii) the Servicer shall deliver to the Trustee duplicate original copies of all notices, statements, communications and instruments delivered or required to be delivered to the Issuer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement (other than any of them delivered to the Issuer by the Trustee or the Collateral Administrator).

(iv) the procedure for amending the Servicing Agreement as set forth in Section 15.1(h) below.

(v) except as otherwise provided in this Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, subject to the resignation rights of the Servicer pursuant to Section 12 of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer shall continue to serve as Servicer under the Servicing Agreement notwithstanding that the Servicer shall not have received amounts due it under the Servicing Agreement because sufficient funds were not then available under this Indenture to pay the amounts pursuant to the Priority of Payments. The Servicer agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer for the nonpayment of the fees or other amounts payable by the Administrative Agent to the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement until the payment in full of all Notes issued under this Indenture and the payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent of all amounts payable with respect to the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the expiration of a period equal to the greater of (A) the applicable preference period plus one day or (B) one year and one day following the payment. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Servicer may commence any legal action that is not a bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation or similar proceeding against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any of their properties and may take any action it deems appropriate at any time in any bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation or similar proceeding and any other Proceeding voluntarily commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or involuntarily commenced against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by anyone other than the Servicer or any Affiliate of the Servicer.

(vi) the Servicer irrevocably submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or federal court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Notes, the Preference Shares or this Indenture, and the Servicer irrevocably agrees that all claims in respect of the action or proceeding may be heard and determined in the New York State or federal court. The Servicer irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent it may legally do so, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of the action or proceeding. The Servicer irrevocably consents to the service of all process in any action or proceeding by the mailing or delivery of copies of the process to it the address provided for in Section 14.3. The Servicer agrees that a final and non-appealable judgment by a court of competent jurisdiction in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

(g) Following the resignation or removal of the Servicer, the Issuer shall use its best efforts to appoint a successor Servicer, and the Issuer, the Trustee, and the resigning or removed

Servicer shall take any action consistent with the Servicing Agreement and this Indenture applicable to the Servicer, necessary to effectuate any such succession.

(h) (i) The Issuer may, at the request of the Servicer, enter into an amendment or modification of the Servicing Agreement from time to time, without the consent of the Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not the interests of the Holders of the Securities are adversely affected thereby; provided that, with respect to any such amendment or modification, (a) a Rating Condition is satisfied and (b) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares have not objected in writing to such amendment or modification prior to the relevant Objection Cut-Off Date (as defined below).

(ii) If at any time the Servicer desires to amend or modify the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer shall notify the Issuer and the Trustee, providing details of such proposed amendment or modification. Not later than five Business Days after receipt of such notice, the Trustee shall mail such notice to (a) each Noteholder at such Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as applicable, (b) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), (c) to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Securities) and (d) to each Rating Agency. If any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes or any Holder of the Preference Shares notifies, by delivering a written notice to the Trustee within 35 days after the Trustee has mailed such notice, that it objects to such proposed amendment or modification, the Trustee shall, within two Business Days after receiving such notice of objection, mail a notice of the receipt of such objection to the Issuer, the Servicer and other Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and other Holders of the Preference Shares. Each Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes and each Holder of the Preference Shares that also wishes to object to such amendment or modification must, by delivering a written notice, so notify the Trustee within seven Business Days after the Trustee has mailed such notice of the receipt of such objection (the last day of such seven Business Day period, the "**Objection Cut-Off Date**"). If a Majority of either the Controlling Class of Notes or the Preference Shares notifies the Trustee in writing on or before the Objection Cut-Off Date that they object to the proposed amendment or modification to the Servicing Agreement, such amendment or modification shall not be made.

#### Section 15.2. ***Hedge Agreements.***

(a) At any time and from time to time on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer and with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, shall enter into the Hedge Agreements and shall assign its rights (but none of its obligations) under the Hedge Agreements to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture. The Trustee shall, on behalf of the Issuer and in accordance with the Valuation Report, pay amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements on any Payment Date in accordance with Section 11.1.

(b) The Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless at the time of entering the Hedge Agreement the Hedge Counterparty has:

(i) a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "A1" or higher if the Hedge Counterparty has only a long-term rating; or a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "A2" or higher and a debt rating by Moody's for short-term debt of "P-1" if the Hedge Counterparty has both long-term and short-term ratings; and

(ii) a short-term debt rating by S&P of not less than "A-1" or, if the Hedge Counterparty does not have a short-term debt rating by S&P, a long-term debt rating of not less than "A+" (the "**Required Rating**").

(c) If at any time a Hedge Counterparty does not have the Required Rating, then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within the applicable period specified in the related Hedge Agreement, either:

(i) post collateral with the Trustee to secure the Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement, in an amount and of the type specified under the relevant Hedge Agreement; provided that the Hedge Counterparty shall, at the time such collateral is first posted, deliver to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Rating Agencies an Opinion of Counsel of nationally recognized standing in the jurisdiction in which the Hedge Counterparty is incorporated confirming that such collateral will be available in a timely manner upon a bankruptcy of the Hedge Counterparty;

(ii) obtain a guarantor that has a short-term debt rating by S&P of not less than "A-1" and otherwise has the Required Rating, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition; or

(iii) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has the Required Rating, subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition.

provided that failure to take any such steps set forth under paragraphs (i) through (iii) above within 30 days shall be treated as an "Additional Termination Event" under such Hedge Agreement.

(d) If at any time the Hedge Counterparty has (x) no short-term Moody's rating and a long-term Moody's that is below "A3" or (y) both a short-term and long-term Moody's rating and either the long-term Moody's rating that is below "A3" or the short-term Moody's rating that is below "P-2", then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within the applicable period specified in the related Hedge Agreement, either:

(i) obtain a guarantor that has the Required Rating, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition; or

(ii) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has the Required Rating, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition;

provided that failure to take any such steps set forth under paragraphs (i) and (ii) above shall be treated as an "Additional Termination Event" under such Hedge Agreement.

(e) If at any time the Hedge Counterparty has a long-term unsecured debt rating by S&P below "BBB-", then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, within 10 days, to replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has the Required Rating, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition; provided that failure to do so shall be treated as an "Additional Termination Event" under such Hedge Agreement.

(f) Whenever the Issuer enters into a Hedge Agreement, the Hedge Counterparty thereto shall comply with the then currently applicable rating criteria of each Rating Agency from time to time.

(g) If the Issuer has the right under a Hedge Agreement at any time to demand that the related Hedge Counterparty deliver Eligible Collateral in accordance with an Approved Credit Support Document, the Issuer shall make the demand.

(h) Any payments required to be made under the Hedge Agreements shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Subordinated Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments shall be subordinate to interest and principal payments on the Notes and any other payments required to be made by the Issuer under the Hedge Agreements, but senior to distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares.

(i) Except as provided in paragraph (i) of this Section 15.2, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall, promptly following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) (but no later than 60 days after the early termination), and to the extent possible through application of Hedge Termination Receipts, enter into a Replacement Hedge, unless, in the exercise of the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment, to do so would not be in the best interest of the Issuer and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the non-entry into the a Replacement Hedge. In addition, a Replacement Hedge may not be entered into unless the Issuer provides the Rating Agencies with at least seven Business Days' prior written notice of its intention to enter into the agreement, together with its form and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the Replacement Hedge. The Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than a termination resulting from the bankruptcy, insolvency, or similar event with respect to the Hedge Counterparty) to become effective simultaneously with its entering into a Replacement Hedge. To the extent that (i) the Servicer determines not to replace the Hedge Agreement and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the determination or (ii) termination is occurring on a Redemption Date, the Hedge Termination Receipts shall become part of Principal Proceeds and be distributed in accordance with Section 11.1 on the next following Payment Date (or on the Redemption Date, if the Notes are redeemed on the Redemption Date).

(j) Notwithstanding Section 15.2(h), the applicable requirements of Section 15.2(h) shall not have to be met if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is otherwise satisfied with respect thereto.

(k) The notional amounts of the Hedge Agreements outstanding at any time may be reduced or increased from time to time, by the Issuer, and the Hedge Agreements may be amended, modified or terminated in accordance with the Hedge Agreements if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the reduction, increase, amendment, modification or termination, as the case may be.

(l) Each Hedge Agreement may be terminated pursuant to its terms by the Hedge Counterparty upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes, an acceleration of maturity of the Notes followed by the liquidation of any or all of the Collateral after an Event of Default or the entry into certain amendments to the Indenture without the consent of the Hedge Counterparty. The Hedge Agreement will not be permitted to be terminated by the Issuer as the result of a Default or Event of Default unless any acceleration of maturity of the Notes resulting from the Event of Default is no longer permitted to be rescinded pursuant to this Indenture.

(m) Except for Hedge Agreements entered into on or before the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have set our hands as of the day and year first written above.

EXECUTED AS A DEED BY

EASTLAND CLO, LTD.,  
AS ISSUER

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

Name: **SCOTT DAKERS**  
Title: **Director**

EASTLAND CLO CORP.,  
AS CO-ISSUER

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

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

INVESTORS BANK & TRUST COMPANY,  
AS TRUSTEE AND AS CUSTODIAN

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

Name: **Brian Peterson**  
Title: **Director**



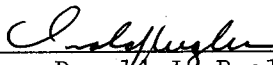
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EASTLAND CLO, LTD.,  
AS ISSUER

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

EASTLAND CLO CORP.,  
AS CO-ISSUER

By:   
Name: Donald J. Puglisi  
Title: President

INVESTORS BANK & TRUST COMPANY,  
AS TRUSTEE AND AS CUSTODIAN

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

Schedule 1

**List of Collateral Obligations**

Schedule 2

**Moody's Industry Classification Group List**

**Aerospace and Defense:** Major Contractor, Subsystems, Research, Aircraft Manufacturing, Arms, Ammunition

**Automobile:** Automotive Equipment, Auto-Manufacturing, Auto Parts Manufacturing, Personal Use Trailers, Motor Homes, Dealers

**Banking:** Bank Holding, Savings and Loans, Consumer Credit, Small Loan, Agency, Factoring, Receivables

**Beverage, Food and Tobacco:** Beer and Ale, Distillers, Wines and Liquors, Distributors, Soft Drink Syrup, Bottling, Bakery, Mill Sugar, Canned Foods, Corn Refiners, Dairy Products, Meat Products, Poultry Products, Snacks, Packaged Foods, Distributors, Candy, Gum, Seafood, Frozen Food, Cigarettes, Cigars, Leaf/Snuff, Vegetable Oil

**Buildings and Real Estate:** Brick, Cement, Climate Controls, Contracting, Engineering, Construction, Hardware, Forest Products (building-related only), Plumbing, Roofing, Wallboard, Real Estate, Real Estate Development, REITs, Land Development

**Chemicals, Plastics and Rubber:** Chemicals (non-agriculture), Industrial Gases, Sulfur, Plastics, Plastic Products, Abrasives, Coatings, Paints, Varnish, Fabricating

**Containers, Packaging and Glass:** Glass, Fiberglass, Containers made of: Glass, Metal, Paper, Plastic, Wood or Fiberglass

**Personal and Non Durable Consumer Products (Manufacturing Only):** Soaps, Perfumes, Cosmetics, Toiletries, Cleaning Supplies, School Supplies

**Diversified/Conglomerate Manufacturing**

**Diversified/Conglomerate Service**

**Diversified Natural Resources, Precious Metals and Minerals:** Fabricating, Distribution, Mining and Sales

**Ecological:** Pollution Control, Waste Removal, Waste Treatment, Waste Disposal

**Electronics:** Computer Hardware, Electric Equipment, Components, Controllers, Motors, Household Appliances, Information Service, Communication Systems, Radios, TVs, Tape Machines, Speakers, Printers, Drivers, Technology

**Finance:** Investment Brokerage, Leasing, Syndication, Securities

**Farming and Agriculture:** Livestock, Grains, Produce, Agricultural Chemicals, Agricultural Equipment, Fertilizers

**Grocery:** Grocery Stores, Convenience Food Stores

**Healthcare, Education and Childcare:** Ethical Drugs, Proprietary Drugs, Research, Health Care Centers, Nursing Homes, HMOs, Hospitals, Hospital Supplies, Medical Equipment

**Home and Office Furnishings, Housedress, and Durable Consumer Products:** Carpets, Floor Coverings, Furniture, Cooking, Ranges

**Hotels, Motels, Inns and Gaming**

**Insurance:** Life, Property and Casualty, Broker, Agent, Surety

**Leisure, Amusement, Entertainment:** Boating, Bowling, Billiards, Musical Instruments, Fishing, Photo Equipment, Records, Tapes, Sports, Outdoor Equipment (camping), Tourism, Resorts, Games, Toy Manufacturing, Motion Picture Production, Theatres, Motion Picture Distribution

**Machinery (Non-Agriculture, Non-Construction, Non-Electronic):** Industrial, Machine Tools, Steam Generators

**Mining, Steel, Iron and Non-Precious Metals:** Coal, Copper, Lead, Uranium, Zinc, Aluminum, Stainless Steel, Integrated Steel, Ore Production, Refractories, Steel Mill Machinery, Mini-Mills, Fabricating, Distribution and Sales

**Oil and Gas:** Crude Producer, Retailer, Well Supply, Service and Drilling

**Personal, Food and Miscellaneous**

**Printing and Publishing:** Graphic Arts, Paper, Paper Products, Business Forms, Magazines, Books, Periodicals, Newspapers, Textbooks

**Cargo Transport:** Rail, Shipping, Railroads, Rail-car Builders, Ship Builders, Containers, Container Builders, Parts, Overnight Mail, Trucking, Truck Manufacturing, Trailer Manufacturing, Air Cargo, Transport

**Retail Stores:** Apparel, Toy, Variety, Drugs, Department, Mail Order Catalogue, Showroom

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**Telecommunications:** Local, Long Distance, Independent, Telephone, Telegraph, Satellite, Equipment, Research, Cellular

**Textiles and Leather:** Producer, Synthetic Fiber, Apparel Manufacturer, Leather Shoes **Personal**

**Transportation:** Air, Bus, Rail, Car, Rental

**Utilities:** Electric, Water, Hydro Power, Gas, Diversified

**Broadcasting and Entertainment:** Recording Industry, Motion Exhibition Theatres, Motion Picture Production and Distribution, Radio, TV, Cable Broadcasting, Broadcasting Equipment

Schedule 3

**S&P Industry Classifications**

Corporate Obligations

0. Zero Default Risk
1. Aerospace & Defense
2. Air transport
3. Automotive
4. Beverage & Tobacco
5. Radio & Television
6. Brokerages, Dealers & Investment houses
7. Building & Development
8. Business equipment & services
9. Cable & satellite television
10. Chemical & plastics
11. Clothing/textiles
12. Conglomerates
13. Containers & glass products
14. Cosmetics/toiletries
15. Drugs
16. Ecological services & equipment
17. Electronics/electrical
18. Equipment leasing
19. Farming/agriculture
20. Financial Intermediaries
21. Food/drug retailers
22. Food products
23. Food service
24. Forest products
25. Health care
26. Home furnishings
27. Lodging & casinos
28. Industrial equipment
29. Insurance
30. Leisure goods/activities/movies
31. Nonferrous metals/minerals
32. Oil & gas
33. Publishing
34. Rail Industries
35. Retailers (except food & drug)
36. Steel
37. Surface transport
38. Telecommunications
39. Utilities

Corporate Structured Obligations

50. CDOs

Structured Obligations

- 51. ABS Consumer
- 52. ABS Commercial
- 53. CMBS Diversified (Conduit and CTL)
- 54. CMBS (Large Loan, Single Borrower, and Single Property)
- 55. REITs and REOCs
- 56. RMBS A
- 57. RMBS B&C, HELs, HELOCs, and Tax Lien
- 58. Manufactured Housing
- 59. U.S. Agency (Explicitly Guaranteed)
- 60. Monoline/FER Guaranteed
- 61. Non-FER Company Guaranteed
- 62. FFELP Student Loans (Over 70% FFELP)
- 63. CLO of SME's

Schedule 4**Diversity Score Calculation**

The Diversity Score for the Collateral Obligations is calculated by summing each of the Industry Diversity Scores, which are calculated as follows:

(i) An "**Obligor Par Amount**" is calculated for each obligor represented in the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) by summing the par amounts of all Collateral Obligations in the Collateral (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) issued by that obligor or any Affiliate of that obligor (other than obligors that the Servicer reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(ii) An "**Average Par Amount**" is calculated by summing the Obligor Par Amounts and dividing by the number of obligors represented. For purposes of calculating the number of issuers of the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations), any issuers Affiliated with one another shall be considered one issuer (other than obligors that the Servicer reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(iii) An "**Equivalent Unit Score**" is calculated for each obligor represented in the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) by taking the lesser of (A) one and (B) the Obligor Par Amount for the obligor *divided* by the Average Par Amount. For purposes of calculating the Equivalent Unit Score, any issuers Affiliated with one another shall be considered one issuer (other than obligors that the Servicer reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(iv) An "**Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score**" is then calculated for each of the Moody's industrial classification groups by summing the Equivalent Unit Scores for each obligor in the industry.

(v) An "**Industry Diversity Score**" is then established by reference to the Diversity Score Table shown below for the related Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score. If any Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score falls between any two the scores then the applicable Industry Diversity Score shall be the lower of the two Industry Diversity Scores in the Diversity Score Table.

The Diversity Score for any Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation is equal to zero.

**DIVERSITY SCORE TABLE**

<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>
0.0000	0.0000	5.0500	2.7000	10.1500	4.0200	15.2500	4.5300
0.0500	0.1000	5.1500	2.7333	10.2500	4.0300	15.3500	4.5400
0.1500	0.2000	5.2500	2.7667	10.3500	4.0400	15.4500	4.5500
0.2500	0.3000	5.3500	2.8000	10.4500	4.0500	15.5500	4.5600
0.3500	0.4000	5.4500	2.8333	10.5500	4.0600	15.6500	4.5700
0.4500	0.5000	5.5500	2.8667	10.6500	4.0700	15.7500	4.5800
0.5500	0.6000	5.6500	2.9000	10.7500	4.0800	15.8500	4.5900
0.6500	0.7000	5.7500	2.9333	10.8500	4.0900	15.9500	4.6000
0.7500	0.8000	5.8500	2.9667	10.9500	4.1000	16.0500	4.6100
0.8500	0.9000	5.9500	3.0000	11.0500	4.1100	16.1500	4.6200
0.9500	1.0000	6.0500	3.0250	11.1500	4.1200	16.2500	4.6300
1.0500	1.0500	6.1500	3.0500	11.2500	4.1300	16.3500	4.6400
1.1500	1.1000	6.2500	3.0750	11.3500	4.1400	16.4500	4.6500
1.2500	1.1500	6.3500	3.1000	11.4500	4.1500	16.5500	4.6600
1.3500	1.2000	6.4500	3.1250	11.5500	4.1600	16.6500	4.6700
1.4500	1.2500	6.5500	3.1500	11.6500	4.1700	16.7500	4.6800
1.5500	1.3000	6.6500	3.1750	11.7500	4.1800	16.8500	4.6900
1.6500	1.3500	6.7500	3.2000	11.8500	4.1900	16.9500	4.7000
1.7500	1.4000	6.8500	3.2250	11.9500	4.2000	17.0500	4.7100
1.8500	1.4500	6.9500	3.2500	12.0500	4.2100	17.1500	4.7200
1.9500	1.5000	7.0500	3.2750	12.1500	4.2200	17.2500	4.7300
2.0500	1.5500	7.1500	3.3000	12.2500	4.2300	17.3500	4.7400
2.1500	1.6000	7.2500	3.3250	12.3500	4.2400	17.4500	4.7500
2.2500	1.6500	7.3500	3.3500	12.4500	4.2500	17.5500	4.7600
2.3500	1.7000	7.4500	3.3750	12.5500	4.2600	17.6500	4.7700
2.4500	1.7500	7.5500	3.4000	12.6500	4.2700	17.7500	4.7800
2.5500	1.8000	7.6500	3.4250	12.7500	4.2800	17.8500	4.7900
2.6500	1.8500	7.7500	3.4500	12.8500	4.2900	17.9500	4.8000
2.7500	1.9000	7.8500	3.4750	12.9500	4.3000	18.0500	4.8100
2.8500	1.9500	7.9500	3.5000	13.0500	4.3100	18.1500	4.8200
2.9500	2.0000	8.0500	3.5250	13.1500	4.3200	18.2500	4.8300
3.0500	2.0333	8.1500	3.5500	13.2500	4.3300	18.3500	4.8400
3.1500	2.0667	8.2500	3.5750	13.3500	4.3400	18.4500	4.8500
3.2500	2.1000	8.3500	3.6000	13.4500	4.3500	18.5500	4.8600
3.3500	2.1333	8.4500	3.6250	13.5500	4.3600	18.6500	4.8700
3.4500	2.1667	8.5500	3.6500	13.6500	4.3700	18.7500	4.8800



<u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u>	<u>Diversity Score</u>	<u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u>	<u>Diversity Score</u>	<u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u>	<u>Diversity Score</u>	<u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u>	<u>Diversity Score</u>
3.5500	2.2000	8.6500	3.6750	13.7500	4.3800	18.8500	4.8900
3.6500	2.2333	8.7500	3.7000	13.8500	4.3900	18.9500	4.9000
3.7500	2.2667	8.8500	3.7250	13.9500	4.4000	19.0500	4.9100
3.8500	2.3000	8.9500	3.7500	14.0500	4.4100	19.1500	4.9200
3.9500	2.3333	9.0500	3.7750	14.1500	4.4200	19.2500	4.9300
4.0500	2.3667	9.1500	3.8000	14.2500	4.4300	19.3500	4.9400
4.1500	2.4000	9.2500	3.8250	14.3500	4.4400	19.4500	4.9500
4.2500	2.4333	9.3500	3.8500	14.4500	4.4500	19.5500	4.9600
4.3500	2.4667	9.4500	3.8750	14.5500	4.4600	19.6500	4.9700
4.4500	2.5000	9.5500	3.9000	14.6500	4.4700	19.7500	4.9800
4.5500	2.5333	9.6500	3.9250	14.7500	4.4800	19.8500	4.9900
4.6500	2.5667	9.7500	3.9500	14.8500	4.4900	19.9500	5.0000
4.7500	2.6000	9.8500	3.9750	14.9500	4.5000		
4.8500	2.6333	9.9500	4.0000	15.0500	4.5100		
4.9500	2.6667	10.0500	4.0100	15.1500	4.5200		

Schedule 5**Moody's Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates**

The Moody's Recovery Rate for a Structured Finance Obligation will be the applicable rate set forth below based on the appropriate sector as categorized by Moody's:

**Diversified Securities** primarily include (1) Automobile Securities; (2) Car Rental Receivable Securities; (3) Credit Card Securities; (4) Student Loan Securities

**Residential Securities** primarily include (1) Home Equity Loan Securities; (2) Manufactured Housing Securities; (3) Residential A Mortgage Securities; (4) Residential B/C Mortgage Securities

**Undiversified Securities** primarily include (1) CMBS Conduit; (2) CMBS Credit Tenant Lease; (3) CMBS Large Loan; (4) those ABS Sectors not included in Diversified Securities

**Collateralized Debt Obligations** include (1) High-diversity CDOs (Diversity Score in excess of 20); (2) Low-Diversity CDOs (Diversity Score of 20 or less)

**Diversified Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	Ba	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	70%	60%	50%	40%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	60%	50%	40%	30%
<=10%	70%	65%	55%	45%	35%	25%

**Residential Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	Ba	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10% >5%	65%	55%	45%	40%	30%	20%
<=5%	55%	45%	40%	35%	25%	15%

>2%						
<=2%	45%	35%	30%	25%	15%	10%

### **Undiversified Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	Ba	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10% >5%	65%	55%	45%	35%	25%	15%
<=5% >2%	55%	45%	35%	30%	20%	10%
<=2%	45%	35%	25%	20%	10%	5%

### **High Diversity Collateralized Debt Obligations**

	<u>Initial Rating of Underlying Asset</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	Ba	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	60%	50%	40%	25%
<=10% >5%	65%	55%	50%	40%	30%	20%
<=5% >2%	55%	45%	40%	35%	25%	10%
<=2%	45%	35%	30%	25%	10%	5%

**Low Diversity Collateralized Debt Obligations**

	<u>Initial Rating of Underlying Asset</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	Ba	<u>B</u>
>70%	80%	75%	60%	50%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	70%	60%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10% >5%	60%	50%	45%	35%	25%	15%
<=5% >2%	50%	40%	35%	30%	20%	10%
<=2%	30%	25%	20%	15%	7%	4%

(1) Initial par amount of tranche to which Structured Finance Obligation relates **divided by** initial par amount of total securities issued by Structured Finance Obligation issuer.

Schedule 6**S&P Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates\***

RATING OF A CLASS OF NOTES AT THE TIME OF COMMITMENT TO PURCHASE							
<b>Structured Finance Obligation Rating*</b>							
Senior Asset Class	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC
AAA	80.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
AA	70.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
A	60.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
BBB	50.0%	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%
Junior Asset Class	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC
AAA	65.0%	70.0%	80.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%
AA	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
A	40.0%	45.0%	55.0%	65.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
BBB	30.0%	35.0%	40.0%	45.0%	50.0%	60.0%	70.0%
BB	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	25.0%	35.0%	40.0%	50.0%
B	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%	10.0%	10.0%	20.0%	25.0%
CCC	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%

\* If the Structured Finance Obligation is (x) a collateralized debt obligation backed by project finance securities, asset-backed securities, structured finance or real estate securities, distressed debt or other collateralized debt obligations; (y) a market value collateralized debt obligation; or (z) a synthetic collateralized debt obligation, the recovery rate will be assigned by S&P at the time of acquisition.

Schedule 7**Certain Defined Terms Relating to S&P Rating and Moody's Rating**

**"Assigned Moody's Rating"**: The monitored publicly available rating or the monitored estimated rating expressly assigned to a debt obligation (or facility) by Moody's that addresses the full amount of the principal and interest promised.

**"Moody's Default Probability Rating"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (a) with respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:
  - (i) if the Loan's obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, such corporate family rating; and
  - (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Obligation Rating of such Loan;
  - (iii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, the rating that is one subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating;
- (b) with respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating of such Collateral Obligation;
- (c) with respect to a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the rating that is one rating subcategory below the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof;
- (d) with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof or, if the obligation does not have an Assigned Moody's Rating but has a rating by S&P, then the Moody's Default Probability Rating shall be:
  - (i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher, or
  - (ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; and
- (e) with respect to a Synthetic Security, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down (if on watch for downgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories or adjusted up (if on watch for upgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories. For purposes of any calculation under this Indenture, if a Moody's Default Probability Rating is withdrawn by Moody's with respect to a Collateral Obligation, the Issuer will continue using the latest Moody's Default Probability Rating available immediately prior to such withdrawal until a bankruptcy event occurs with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating":** With respect to any Collateral Obligation that is a Loan or bond and the obligor thereof, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

(a) if the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating;

(b) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's "Issuer Rating" for the obligor;

(c) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, then

(i) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "B3" (and, if rated "B3", not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one rating subcategory higher than such Assigned Moody's Rating, or

(ii) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "B3" (or rated "B3" and on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be such Assigned Moody's Rating;

(d) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, then:

(i) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "Caa3" (and, if rated "Caa3", not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one subcategory below such Assigned Moody's Rating, or

(ii) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "Caa3" (or rated "Caa3" and on watch for downgrade), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be "C";

(e) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but such obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be one rating subcategory below such corporate family rating;

(f) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be:

(i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher,

(ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; or

(iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating no lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (f)(iii), or clause (g)(iii) or (h)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(g) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (c) above; or

(iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (g)(iii), or clauses (f)(iii) or (h)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(h) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (d) above; or

(iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (h)(iii), or clauses (f)(iii) or (g)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(i) if the preceding clauses do not apply and each of the following clauses (i) through (viii) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa1":

(i) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings,

(ii) no debt securities or obligations of the obligor are in default,

(iii) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates has defaulted on any debt during the preceding two years,



- (iv) the obligor has been in existence for the preceding five years,
- (v) the obligor is current on any cumulative dividends,
- (vi) the fixed-charge ratio for the obligor exceeds 125% for each of the preceding two fiscal years and for the most recent quarter,
- (vii) the obligor had a net profit before tax in the past fiscal year and the most recent quarter, and
- (viii) the annual financial statements of such obligor are unqualified and certified by a firm of Independent accountants of international reputation, and quarterly statements are unaudited but signed by a corporate officer;
- (j) if the preceding clauses do not apply but each of the following clauses (i) and (ii) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa3":
  - (i) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings; and
  - (ii) no debt security or obligation of such obligor has been in default during the past two years; and
- (k) if the preceding clauses do not apply and a debt security or obligation of the obligor has been in default during the past two years, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Ca."

Notwithstanding the foregoing, not more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may consist of Relevant Obligations given a Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating based on a rating given by S&P as provided in clauses (f), (g) and (h) above.

**"Moody's Obligation Rating"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (a) With respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:
  - (i) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or
  - (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the rating that is one rating subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and
- (b) With respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond:
  - (i) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or
  - (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and
- (c) With respect to a Synthetic Security or a DIP Loan, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Obligation Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be

adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

**"Moody's Rating"**: The Moody's Default Probability Rating; provided that, with respect to the Collateral Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or any successor to it ceases to provide rating services, references to rating categories of Moody's in this Indenture shall be deemed instead to be references to the equivalent categories of any other nationally recognized investment rating agency selected by the Servicer, as of the most recent date on which such other rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which such alternative rating agency is used.

**"S&P Rating"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following methodology:

(i) If there is an issuer credit rating of the borrower of the Collateral Obligation (the "**Borrower**"), or the guarantor who unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the Collateral Obligation (the "**Guarantor**") by S&P, the most current issuer credit rating for such Borrower or Guarantor (provided that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating);

(ii) (a) if there is not an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation will be one subcategory below such rating; (b) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior unsecured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be such rating; and (c) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a subordinated obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be two subcategories above such rating if such rating is "BBB-" or higher and will be one subcategory above such rating if such rating is "BB+" or lower (provided that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating); or

(iii) if there is neither an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P nor a rating by S&P on an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating may be determined using any one of the methods below:

(A) if an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is publicly rated by Moody's, then the S&P Rating will be determined in accordance with the methodologies for establishing the Moody's Default Probability Rating, except that the S&P Rating of such obligation will be (1) one subcategory below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Baa3" or higher by Moody's and (2) two subcategories below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Ba1" or lower by Moody's; provided that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may be given a S&P Rating based on a rating given by Moody's as provided in this subclause (a) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

(B) if no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's, then the Servicer may apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating estimate, which will be its S&P Rating; provided that, on or prior to each one-year anniversary of the acquisition of any such Collateral Obligation, the Issuer shall submit to S&P a request for a S&P credit rating estimate for such Collateral Obligation, which shall be its S&P Rating, together with all information reasonably required by S&P to perform such estimate; or

(C) if such Collateral Obligation is not rated by Moody's or S&P, no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's and if the Servicer determines in its sole discretion based on information available to it after reasonable inquiry that such Borrower (x) is not subject to any bankruptcy or reorganization proceedings nor in default on any of its obligations (unless the subject of a good faith business dispute), (y) is a legally constituted corporate entity having the minimum legal, financial and operational infrastructure to carry on a definable business, deliver and sell a product or service and report its results in generally accepted accounting terms as verified by a reputable audit firm and (z) is not so vulnerable to adverse business, financial and economic conditions that default in its financial or other obligations is foreseeable in the near term if current operating trends continue, then the S&P Rating will be "B-"; provided that the Servicer must apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating on such Borrower within 30 days after the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation; provided, further, that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 5% of the Maximum Amount may be given an S&P Rating based on this subclause (c) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

provided that if (i) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any positive "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be increased by one rating subcategory or (ii) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any negative "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be decreased by one rating subcategory.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the S&P Rating shall be (A) the rating assigned thereto by S&P if the rating is public, (B) the rating assigned by S&P if the rating is confidential, but only if all appropriate parties have provided written consent to its disclosure and use, (C) the rating assigned by S&P thereto through an estimated rating or (D) the rating assigned thereto by S&P in connection with the acquisition thereof upon the request of the Servicer. In the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a PIK Security, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Securities, the S&P Rating may not be determined pursuant to clause (iii)(A) above. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture, if a S&P Rating is withdrawn by S&P with respect to a Collateral Obligation, the Issuer will continue using the latest S&P Rating available immediately prior to such withdrawal until a bankruptcy event occurs with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

S&P Ratings for entities or obligations relevant hereunder other than Borrowers and Collateral Obligations shall be determined in a corresponding manner.

Exhibit A-1

**Form of Senior Note**

Exhibit A-3

**Form of Class D Note**

Exhibit B-1

**Form of Senior Note Transferee Certificate**

Exhibit B-2

**Form of Senior Note Transferor Certificate for Regulation S to Rule 144A Transfer**

Exhibit B-3

**Form of Senior Note Transferor Certificate for Rule 144A to Regulation S Transfer**



Exhibit B-4

**Form of Class D Note Transferee Certificate**

Exhibit C

**Form of Latham & Watkins LLP Opinion**

Exhibit D

**Form of Ogier Opinion**

Exhibit E

**Form of Nixon Peabody LLP Opinion**

Exhibit F

**Form of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP Opinion**

Exhibit G

**Forms of Section 3(c)(7) Notices**

Exhibit G-1

**Form of Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice**

Exhibit G-2

**Form of Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice**



Exhibit H

**Form of Beneficial Owner Certificate**

Exhibit I

**Form of Extension Notice**

Exhibit J

**Form of Insurer Notice**

## **EXHIBIT Q**

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## PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENCY AGREEMENT

As of March 13, 2007

Investors Bank & Trust Company,  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent  
Corporate Trust Office – Eastland CLO, Ltd.  
200 Clarendon Street  
Mailcode: EUC 108  
Boston, MA 02116

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Eastland CLO, Ltd., a company existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the “**Issuer**”) and Eastland CLO Corp., a Delaware corporation (the “**Co-Issuer**” and, together with the Issuer, the “**Co-Issuers**”), have resolved to appoint Investors Bank & Trust Company (“**Investors Bank**”), as preference shares paying agent (the “**Preference Shares Paying Agent**”) for the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares issued by the Issuer (collectively, the “**Preference Shares**”). The Issuer hereby appoints Investors Bank as such under the terms set forth below and confirms Investor Bank’s agreement to distribute any funds to be paid to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Priority of Payments set forth in the Indenture (as defined herein). Reference is also made to the indenture, dated as of March 13, 2007, among the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and Investors Bank, as trustee (the “**Indenture**”). Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings assigned thereto in the Indenture or, if not defined therein, certain resolutions passed at a meeting of the Issuer’s Board of Directors that was held on March 12, 2007, as reflected in the minutes thereof, including Annex A (“**Annex A**”) therein (the “**Resolutions**” and, together with this Agreement and the Issuer’s Memorandum and Articles of Association, the “**Preference Share Documents**”). The Preference Shares will be issued, and may be transferred, subject to the procedures set forth in Annex A to the Resolutions.

On the Closing Date, (i) all of the Class I Preference Shares will be offered and sold directly by the Issuer to Eastland Investors Corp., an exempted limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands (“**Investors Corp.**”) and (ii) all of the Class II Preference Shares will be offered and sold by the Issuer through Citigroup Global Markets Inc., as placement agent, to Highland Financial Partners, L.P. (“**HFP**”) (an Affiliate of the Servicer) and/or one or more of its subsidiaries. Investors Corp. will finance its purchase of the Class I Preference Shares by issuing Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, at a price equal to the price of, such Class I Preference Shares purchased by it.

Section 1. Notice of Distribution to Directors. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, promptly after receipt of the Valuation Report, shall forward or make available to the directors of the Issuer (as identified to it by the Issuer) the Valuation Report which identifies the Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds, payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares on the applicable Payment Date.

Section 2. Payments of Dividends and Other Distributions, Amounts Not Distributable. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, subject to paragraphs (b), (c), (d) and (e) below, pay or cause to be paid, on behalf of the Issuer on each applicable Payment Date, the Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds received from the Trustee to the Holders of the Preference Shares as a distribution of dividend on such Payment Date. Such distributions of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds by way of dividend to the Holders of Preference Shares shall be paid *pro rata* in the proportion

that the number of Preference Shares held by each such Holder bears to the total number of Preference Shares. The Issuer, or the Share Registrar on its behalf, shall provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with a copy of the Preference Share register on the Closing Date and thereafter, the Share Registrar will promptly notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent of any changes to the Preference Share register. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall notify the Issuer and the Share Registrar of any transfers of Preference Shares known to it.

(b) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, distributions of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds by way of dividend to the Holders of Preference Shares on any Payment Date shall (i) be subject to the Issuer being solvent under Cayman Islands law (defined as the Issuer being able to pay its debts as they become due in the ordinary course of business) immediately prior to, and after giving effect to, such payment as determined by the Issuer and (ii) be made only to the extent that the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium out of which to make such payment as determined by the Issuer. If the Issuer determines that the conditions set forth in either clause (i) or (ii) above are not satisfied with respect to any portion of Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds payable on such Payment Date, the Issuer shall instruct the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing not later than one Business Day prior to such Payment Date that such portion of Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds, as applicable, should not be paid, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not pay the same, to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the first succeeding Payment Date, or (in the case of any payments which would otherwise be payable on the Redemption Date or any Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) until the first succeeding Business Day, upon which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing that each such condition is satisfied, at which time the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall distribute such amounts. To the extent available, distributions shall be made first out of distributable profits for the current Due Period, then out of distributable profits in excess of dividends for prior Due Periods and then out of share premium.

(c) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, distributions of the Redemption Price by way of redemption of the Preference Shares shall be subject to the Issuer being solvent under Cayman Islands law (defined as the Issuer being able to pay its debts as they become due in the ordinary course of business) immediately prior to, and after giving effect to, such distribution as determined by the Issuer. For purposes of this subsection (c), a determination as to whether the Issuer is solvent on the Redemption Date shall be made by the Issuer (A) after giving effect to any payments to be made on such Redemption Date and (B) in light of the fact that the obligations of the Issuer to the Holders of the Notes, the other Secured Parties and the other Persons subject to the Priority of Payments are limited in recourse to the Collateral, and not to amounts (i) in the Preference Shares Distribution Account, (ii) any other amounts released from the Collateral in accordance with the Indenture and held by or on behalf of the Issuer for the benefit of the Holders of the Preference Shares or (iii) amounts on deposit in the Issuer's bank account in the Cayman Islands, and that after the assets in the Collateral are exhausted, such parties will have no further claim against the Issuer. If the Issuer determines that such condition is not satisfied on a Redemption Date with respect to any portion of the Redemption Price, the Issuer shall instruct the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing not later than one Business Day prior to such Redemption Date that such portion should not be distributed, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not distribute the same, to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the first succeeding Business Day upon which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing that such condition is satisfied, and the amounts so retained in the Preference Shares Distribution Account will be held therein until such amounts are paid.

(d) On each Payment Date, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall distribute, on behalf of the Issuer, amounts, if any, received by it from the Trustee, which are then on deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account pursuant to Section 10.3(j) of the Indenture for

payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as the Class II Preference Share Special Payment.

(e) Dividends to the Holders of the Preference Shares (other than Class II Preference Share Special Payments) may be paid, in whole or in part on any Payment Date, with any Eligible Equity Securities held by, or on behalf of, the Issuer at such time in lieu of a distribution of Interest Proceeds. The Servicer, on behalf the Issuer, shall have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute any Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares (as identified to the Trustee by the Preference Shares Paying Agent) with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be due and payable on such Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to any such Payment Date shall be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be increased accordingly.

(f) Anything in this Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding, the Holders of the Preference Shares acknowledge and agree for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes that the rights of the Holders of the Preference Shares to distributions by the Issuer and in and to the assets of the Issuer in respect of such Preference Shares, shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes, to the extent and in the manner set forth in the Indenture including as set forth in Section 11.1 thereof and as required by law. If any Event of Default has occurred and has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs in accordance with Article V of the Indenture, the Notes shall be paid in full in Cash before any further payment or distribution is made on account of the Preference Shares. The Holders of the Preference Shares agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes, not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer for failure to pay to them amounts due under the Articles or hereunder in respect of the Preference Shares or payable under the Indenture prior to the date which is one year and one day (or, if longer, the applicable preference period) after the payment in full of principal of and interest on the Notes.

(g) In the event that notwithstanding the provisions of this Agreement or the Indenture, any Holder of any Preference Shares shall have received any payment or distribution in respect of such Preference Shares contrary to the provisions of this Agreement, the Articles or the Indenture, then, unless and until (i) the Class A-1 Notes, (ii) the Class A-2a Notes, (iii) the Class A-2b Notes, (iv) the Class A-3 Notes, (v) the Class B Notes, (vi) the Class C Notes and (vii) the Class D Notes shall have been paid in full in Cash in accordance with the Indenture, such payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, for payment and delivery of the same to the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes, as the case may be, in accordance with the Indenture; provided, however, that if any such payment or distribution is made other than in Cash, it shall be paid over and delivered to the Trustee such that it may be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral pursuant to, and subject in all respects to, the provisions of the Indenture, including Section 13.1 thereof.

Section 3. Payments and Redemption. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall make payments or distributions (other than distributions of Eligible Equity Securities) to each registered Holder on the relevant Record Date (as set out in Annex A to the Resolutions) by wire transfer

in immediately available funds to a U.S. Dollar account maintained by such Holder as notified to the Preference Shares Paying Agent or, in the absence of such notification, by U.S. Dollar check mailed to such Holder at its address of record. The Issuer shall, or shall procure that the Share Registrar will, provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with all relevant information regarding the registered Holders of the Preference Shares as the Preference Shares Paying Agent may reasonably require to the extent such information is in possession or control of the Issuer or Share Registrar.

(b) If the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, desires to make distributions of Eligible Equity Securities on any Payment Date in lieu of Interest Proceeds that are otherwise available for distribution to the Holders of Preference Shares on such Payment Date pursuant to the Priority of Payments as described in Section 2(e) above, the Servicer will notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Servicing Agreement not later than 20 calendar days prior to such Payment Date and provide the Trustee, the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding on the Record Date or promptly thereafter, but in no event later than two Business Days after the Record Date, to each Holder of the Preference Shares registered as such on the Record Date for such Payment Date) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding on the Record Date or promptly thereafter, but in no event later than two Business Days after the Record Date, to each Holder of the Holding Securities registered as such on the Record Date for such Payment Date) with (i) details of the Eligible Equity Securities to be distributed, (ii) the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities determined as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date, (iii) any other information considered necessary by the Servicer in connection with such proposed distribution and (iv) any information as otherwise required by the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and/or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such proposed distribution. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall then mail such materials, within two Business Days of its receipt thereof from the Servicer, to each registered Holder of Preference Shares on the Record Date for such Payment Date along with a form of notice and consent (in a form attached hereto in Schedule I) seeking the written consent of each such Holder of Preference Shares to distribute such Eligible Equity Securities to such Holder in lieu of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date. Each Holder of the Preference Shares wishing to receive such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of a distribution of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such applicable Payment Date (each such Holder with respect to such Payment Date, a “**Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares**”) is required to deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent a written consent (which consent will be irrevocable) no later than five Business Days prior to such Payment Date. If any Holder of Preference Shares does not timely deliver its written consent to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in the manner set forth in such notice indicating its consent to the receipt of such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of a distribution of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date, such Holder shall be deemed to have not given its consent and shall not be a Consenting Holder of Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. On each applicable Payment Date (or as soon thereafter as reasonably practicable), Eligible Equity Securities shall be distributed *pro rata* to each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. Each Holder of Preference Shares that is not a Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares (and, for the avoidance of doubt, each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares to the extent the Market Value as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date of the *pro rata* portion of Eligible Equity Securities distributed to it on such Payment Date is less than the *pro rata* portion of the Interest Proceeds that it would have received on such Payment Date had the Eligible Equity Securities not been distributed on such Payment Date) on any applicable Payment Date shall receive a distribution of Interest Proceeds to the extent available in accordance with the Priority of Payments on such Payment Date in accordance with Section 2(e) herein and the Indenture.

(c) The Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be obligated to pay any additional amounts to Holders or beneficial owners of the Preference Shares as a result of any



withholding or deduction for, or on account of, any present or future taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges. As a condition to payment of any amount, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, may require certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments or distributions in respect of Preference Shares under any present or future law or regulation of the United States or any present or future law or regulation of any political subdivision thereof or taxing authority therein or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under such law or regulation. Amounts properly withheld under the Code by any Person from a payment or distribution to a Holder of Preference Shares shall be considered as having been paid by the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent to such Holder for all purposes herein. The Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereby provide notice to each Holder or beneficial owner of the Preference Shares that the failure to provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with appropriate tax certifications will result in amounts being withheld from payments to such Holders or beneficial owners of the Preference Shares under this Agreement (provided that amounts withheld pursuant to applicable tax laws shall be considered as having been paid by the Issuer as provided herein).

(d) The Issuer, the Share Registrar and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem and treat the Holder of any Preference Shares as the absolute owner of such Preference Shares, notwithstanding any notation of ownership or other writing on any certificate representing such Preference Shares, for the purpose of paying dividends and other distributions thereon, and for all other purposes, and none of the Issuer, the Share Registrar or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be affected by any notice to the contrary. All such payments (including distributions of Eligible Equity Securities) so made to such Holder or upon such Holder's order shall be valid and, to the extent of the sum or sums so paid, effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability for the monies payable upon any such Preference Share.

(e) All payments by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder shall be made without charging any commission or fee to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

(f) On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Issuer shall redeem the Preference Shares for a redemption price equal to all amounts distributable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Priority of Payments set forth in the Indenture, unless the Preference Shares have been redeemed earlier through an optional redemption or otherwise. Upon final payment due on the Preference Shares (whether on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date or any earlier Redemption Date), the Holder thereof shall present and surrender the certificates, if any, representing the Preference Shares at the office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent on or prior to such final payment date. On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, all payments on redemption of Preference Shares to the Holders of the Preference Shares shall be made *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings.

Notice of final payment of the Preference Shares pursuant to an optional redemption in conjunction with an optional redemption of the Notes shall be given as set forth in Section 9.3 of the Indenture. Notice of any other final payment shall be given by the Preference Shares Paying Agent by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days nor earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date to each Holder of Preference Shares at such Holder's address as set forth in the Preference Share register.

All notices of redemption shall state:

(i) the Redemption Date on which the Preference Shares are to be redeemed;

(ii) the applicable Redemption Price for the Preference Shares being redeemed;

(iii) the place or places where such Preference Shares to be redeemed are to be surrendered for payment of the applicable Redemption Price, which shall be the office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent; and

(iv) in the case of an optional redemption, the latest possible date upon which such notice of redemption may be withdrawn.

The Issuer shall have the option to withdraw any such notice of redemption up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Trustee, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Holding Securities) in each case only if either (i) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) of the Indenture, the Servicer does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications required under the Indenture (as described in Section 9.3(c) and 12.1(f) of the Indenture), as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, (ii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i) of the Indenture, the Issuer receives the written direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption and (iii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii) of the Indenture, the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer thereby agrees for the benefit of the directing person to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (ii) or this clause (iii)). Notice of any such withdrawal shall be delivered pursuant to Section 9.3 of the Indenture.

Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Holding Securities) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Preference Shares.

(g) On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, so long as all administrative fees and expenses and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture and all amounts owing under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged:

(i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings; or

(ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, voting as a single Class or group, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such direction.

(h) If any Holder of Preference Shares desires to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Notes in accordance with Section 9.2(a) of the Indenture, such Holder shall notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Servicer not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made. If the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee and the Issuer receive notice from one or more Holders of Preference Shares holding less than a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, within five Business Days of receipt of such notice, notify the Holders of the Preference Shares and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Holding Securities) (i) of the receipt of such notice and (ii) that any Holder of Preference Shares may join in directing an optional redemption by notifying the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing within five Business Days after such Holder's receipt of the Preference Shares Paying Agent's Notice. If the Holders of at least a Majority of the Preference Shares direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Notes, the Issuer shall effect an Optional Redemption of the Notes pursuant to the procedures described in the Indenture.

(i) If any Holder of Preference Shares desires to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares after the redemption or repayment of the Notes and in accordance with paragraphs (g)(i) and (ii) above, such Holder shall notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent not later than 30 Business Days (or with the Servicer's consent, not later than 20 Business Days) prior to the proposed Redemption Date (which must be a Payment Date). Upon receiving such notice, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall promptly (and in no event later than two Business Days thereafter) notify the Issuer and each Holder of the Preference Shares thereof. Each Holder of Preference Shares that also wishes to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares must so notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent (who shall promptly notify the Issuer and the Servicer of such direction) within 20 Business Days after receipt of such notice. If the aggregate number of Preference Shares that have directed the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares equals or exceeds the minimum threshold set forth in paragraphs (g)(i) and (ii) above, the Issuer shall effect an optional redemption of the Preference Shares pursuant to the procedures described in the Preference Share Documents. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Preference Shares must be redeemed on or prior to the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. The Preference Shares shall be redeemed from the proceeds of any Collateral remaining after giving effect to the redemption or repayment of the Notes and payment in full of all expenses of the Co-Issuers.

(j) If the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, proposes a Refinancing in accordance with Section 9.7(a) of the Indenture by notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall promptly upon receipt of such notice (and in no event later than two Business Days thereafter) notify each Holder of Preference Shares thereof. Each Holder of Preference Shares that wishes to consent to such Refinancing will deliver such consent to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing no later than 15 days prior to the Refinancing Date. Upon receipt of such consents, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall immediately notify the Servicer whether or not the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares have consented to such Refinancing.

Section 4. Preference Shares Distribution Account. (a) On or prior to the Closing Date, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the "Preference Shares Distribution Account" (the "**Preference Shares Distribution Account**") that shall be held in trust in the name of the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the benefit of the Issuer, over which the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall cause the Trustee to make any payment pursuant to the Priority of Payments by wire transfer (or by internal transfer if the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent are the same Person) to the Preference Shares Distribution Account in immediately available funds. All sums received by the Preference Shares Paying Agent from the Trustee or the Issuer for payment of dividends or other distributions (other than the Class

II Preference Share Special Payments) or the Redemption Price in respect of the Preference Shares shall be deposited promptly in the Preference Shares Distribution Account until the first Payment Date or, in the case of the payment of the Redemption Price in respect of the Preference Shares, the first Business Day, on which, in either case, the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent that such distribution can be made to the Holders of the Preference Shares in accordance with Section 2. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall then apply such funds as provided for in Section 3. All sums payable by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder shall be paid out of the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

(b) Notwithstanding anything herein, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not incur any personal liability to pay amounts due to Holders of the Preference Shares and shall only be required to make payments or other distributions (including the Redemption Price thereof) if there are sufficient monies in the Preference Shares Distribution Account to make such payments or other distributions.

(c) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no right of set off with respect to amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

(d) Amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account that are not paid out may be deposited in an interest-bearing account as directed in writing by the Issuer.

Section 5. Unclaimed Payments. Except as otherwise required by applicable law, any money deposited with the Preference Shares Paying Agent and held in the Preference Shares Distribution Account or otherwise held for payment on any Preference Share and remaining unclaimed for two years after such payment has become due and payable shall be paid to the Issuer upon Issuer Request; and the Holder of such Preference Share shall thereafter look only to the Issuer for payment of such amounts and all liability of the Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such money (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Issuer) shall thereupon cease. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, before being required to make any such release of payment, may, but shall not be required to, adopt and employ, at the expense of the Issuer any reasonable means of notification of such release of payment, including, but not limited to, arranging with the Share Registrar for the Share Registrar to mail notice of such release to Holders of Preference Shares whose right to or interest in monies due and payable but not claimed is determinable from the records of the Issuer or Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, at the last address of record of each such Holder.

Section 6. Additional Issuance of Preference Shares. (a) At any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the proceeds from such issuance and sale to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or as otherwise permitted under the Preference Share Documents and the Indenture; provided that the following conditions are met: (i) the terms of the Preference Shares issued shall be identical to the terms of previously issued Preference Shares and (ii) the net proceeds of any additional Preference Shares shall be used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations. Such additional Preference Shares may be offered and sold at prices that differ from the initial offering prices of the outstanding Preference Shares; provided that the initial offering prices of additional Preference Shares shall not be below 100% of the face amount thereof. The Issuer shall cause purchases of additional Preference Shares made pursuant to an additional issuance of Preference Shares to comply individually and in the aggregate with the applicable purchase and transfer restrictions for the Preference Shares set forth herein in Section 9 and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

(b) Any additional Preference Shares issued shall, to the extent reasonably practicable, be offered by the Issuer first to the existing Holders of the Preference Shares, in such amounts as are necessary to preserve their *pro rata* holdings of the Preference Shares.

Section 7. Purchase and Redesignation of Preference Shares. (a) Each Holder or beneficial owner of a Preference Share, by its ownership of such Preference Share, acknowledges and agrees that each Non-Consenting Holder of Preference Shares with respect to an amendment of the Indenture (which includes Holders that fail to respond to a consent solicitation within the applicable period) will be forced to sell its applicable Preference Shares pursuant to Section 9.6 of the Indenture, whereby the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser is permitted to purchase the Preference Shares held by any such Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; provided that if any Non-Consenting Holder holds Class II Preference Shares, (i) such Non-Consenting Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to Investors Corp. and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares, (ii) Investors Corp. will issue additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such redesignated Preference Shares purchased by it and (iii) the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser will purchase such additional Holding Preference Shares in lieu of such redesignated Preference Shares.

(b) Each Holder or beneficial owner of a Preference Share will have the right to sell such Preference Share to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser upon a Maturity Extension pursuant to Section 2.4 of the Indenture at the applicable Extension Purchase Price and absent such sale shall be subject to an extension of the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date as set forth in the Indenture and the other aspects of a Maturity Extension under the Indenture; provided that if any Holder of Class II Preference Shares delivers an Extension Sale Notice notifying the Issuer and the Trustee of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Class II Preference Shares, (i) such Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to Investors Corp. and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares, (ii) Investors Corp. will issue additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such redesignated Preference Shares purchased by it and (iii) the Extension Qualifying Purchaser will purchase such additional Holding Preference Shares in lieu of such redesignated Preference Shares.

(c) The Share Registrar will record in the register maintained by it those Preference Shares which it has been notified in writing are held by HFP or any of its subsidiaries. Such Preference Shares shall be designated by the Share Registrar as Class II Preference Shares. HFP and its subsidiaries will agree not to transfer any of the Class II Preference Shares to any Person (including pursuant to the Amendment Buy-Out Option and a Maturity Extension as set out in paragraphs (a) and (b) above) other than Investors Corp. The Share Registrar will redesignate (i) Class II Preference Shares as Class I Preference Shares upon any transfer of such Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to Investors Corp. and (ii) Class I Preference Shares as Class II Preference Shares upon any transfer of Class I Preference Shares by Investors Corp. to HFP or any of its subsidiaries.

Section 8. Execution, Delivery and Dating. The certificates (if required by the Resolutions) relating to the Preference Shares shall be executed on behalf of the Issuer as provided for in the Memorandum and Articles of Association.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Agreement, the Issuer may deliver Preference Share certificates (the "**Preference Share Certificates**") executed by the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, upon Issuer Order, shall deliver such Preference Share Certificates as provided in this Agreement and not otherwise.

Each Preference Share Certificate delivered by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to or upon Issuer Order on the Closing Date shall be dated the Closing Date. All other Preference Share Certificates that are delivered after the Closing Date for any other purpose under this Agreement shall be dated the date of their delivery.

Section 9. Registration and Registration of Transfer. (a) When the Preference Shares Paying Agent receives a request for transfer of Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall comply with its obligations as set forth in Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions.

(b) No transfer of the Preference Shares shall be registered if such transfer will result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors (as defined below) owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of either the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such transfer (excluding for purposes of such determination any Preference Shares held by any Controlling Person (as defined below) and its affiliates (such as the Preference Shares held by the Servicer or its affiliates) that is not also a Benefit Plan Investor) determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA and the Plan Asset Regulation issued by the United States Department of Labor and found at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 (the “**Plan Asset Regulation**”). Each purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share will be required to represent and agree whether or not such purchaser is, or is using the assets of, or will at any time throughout its holding and disposition of such Preference Share be or become, (i) an “employee benefit plan” as defined in Section 3(3) of the United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“**ERISA**”), that is subject to Title I of ERISA, (ii) a “plan” described in Section 4975(c)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “**Code**”), that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code or (iii) any entity whose underlying assets include “plan assets” of any of the foregoing by reason of an investment in the entity by such a plan or arrangement (each, a “**Benefit Plan Investor**”). In addition, each purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share (other than the Servicer or its affiliates) will be required to represent and agree whether or not it is, or is using the assets of, or will at any time throughout its holding and disposition of such Preference Share be or become the Servicer or any other person that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer or any “affiliate” (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) or any such person (any such person, a “**Controlling Person**”). If, after a purchaser’s or transferee’s initial acquisition of Preference Shares, the purchaser or transferee determines or the Issuer, the Share Registrar or the Preference Shares Paying Agent obtain actual knowledge that such purchaser or transferee has breached any of the foregoing representations, such purchaser or transferee will dispose of its interest in the Preference Shares in a manner consistent with the requirements set forth in Annex A to the Resolutions. Each purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share will be required to represent that either (i) it is not, and is not acquiring such Preference Share with the assets of, an “employee benefit plan” as defined under Section 3(3) of ERISA and that is subject to Title I of ERISA, any “plan” described in Section 4975(e) of the Code or a foreign, governmental or church plan subject to any federal, state, local or foreign law that is substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (each such plan, a “**Covered Plan**”) and throughout the holding of such Preference Share, it will not become or transfer its interest to any Covered Plan or to an entity using the assets thereof, or (ii) the acquisition and holding of such Preference Share by the purchaser or transferee, throughout its holding and disposition of such Preference Share, will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a foreign, governmental or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar law), because such purchase, holding and disposition either (x) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (y) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all of the conditions of which are and will be satisfied upon its acquisition of, and throughout its holding and disposition of, such Preference Share. Each purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share will be required to represent and agree that it will not transfer such Preference Share in violation of any of the foregoing representations and agreements, that any purported transfer that does not comply with such

representations and agreements will be null and void *ab initio* and will vest in the transferee no rights against the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Issuer, and that such purchaser or transferee, as applicable, and any fiduciary or other Person causing it to acquire such Preference Share shall, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Share Paying Agent, the Servicer, the Share Registrar, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent and their respective affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of any transfer in violation of any of the foregoing.

(c) The Preference Shares Paying Agent agrees that, after the initial distribution of the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares, neither it nor any of its affiliates will acquire any Class D Notes or Preference Shares (including pursuant to a Maturity Extension or the Amendment Buy-Out Option) unless such acquisition would not, as determined by the Trustee, result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of any of the Class D Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such acquisition (determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA, the Plan Asset Regulation, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents). The Class D Notes and the Preference Shares held by the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any of its affiliates (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% limitation to the extent that such person has represented that it is not a Benefit Plan Investor.

(d) Notwithstanding anything else contained herein to the contrary, neither the Preference Shares Paying Agent nor the Share Registrar shall be responsible for ascertaining whether any purchase or transfer complies with the registration provisions of or exemptions from the Securities Act, applicable state laws, the Code, ERISA, the Plan Asset Regulation or the Investment Company Act; provided that if a certificate or other written representation is specifically required by the express terms of this Agreement or Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions to be delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by the purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine whether the same substantially conforms on its face with the terms of this Agreement or Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions, as applicable, and shall promptly notify the party delivering the same if such certificate does not comply with such terms.

(e) The Issuer shall (and shall cause the Share Registrar to) consult the Preference Shares Paying Agent in connection with all transfers of Preference Shares and shall (and shall cause the Share Registrar to) direct all transferors and transferees to correspond through the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Share Registrar will not be required to determine whether any proposed transfer, redemption or other transaction in relation to the Preference Shares complies with any restrictions imposed by law or under the terms of the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents but shall be entitled to rely completely in that respect on the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

(f) In the event that the Preference Shares Paying Agent is notified by the Issuer (or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer) that any Holder of Preference Shares has failed to provide the Issuer with the applicable United States federal income tax certifications, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall notify the Share Registrar and request that it not record such transfer. Except as expressly provided herein or as required by this Agreement in connection with the Preference Shares Paying Agent's obligations to the Holders of Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no obligation to oversee or participate in any such transfer of Preference Shares.

Section 10. Fees and Indemnification. The fee to be paid in connection with the Preference Shares Paying Agent's appointment and duties as Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be

paid pursuant to a letter agreement dated March 13, 2007 between the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Servicer on behalf of Investors Corp. and the Issuer. The fees payable hereunder shall be paid by the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent's account as directed by the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Issuer will indemnify the Preference Shares Paying Agent and its officers, directors, employees and agents, against any loss, liability or expense (including reasonable legal fees and out-of-pocket expenses of counsel) incurred in connection with their appointment and duties hereunder, except such as result from their own gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Preference Shares Paying Agent agrees that such fees and indemnification shall be treated as an Administrative Expense of the Issuer as defined in the Indenture and paid pursuant to the Priority of Payments. Anything in this Agreement notwithstanding, in no event shall the Preference Shares Paying Agent be liable for special, indirect or consequential losses or damages of any kind whatsoever (including but not limited to loss of profits), even if the Preference Shares Paying Agent has been advised of such loss or damage and regardless of the form of action. The obligation of the Issuer to indemnify the Preference Shares Paying Agent under this Section 10 shall survive retirement of the Preference Shares and any resignation or removal of the Preference Shares Paying Agent but shall remain subject to the provisions of Section 23.

Section 11. Liabilities. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be responsible or accountable to anyone for any reason whatsoever with respect to the validity of this Agreement or of the Preference Shares, or for any act done or omitted by it in good faith, or for anything whatsoever in connection with this Agreement, except for its own gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct in the performance of any duty to be performed by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder.

(b) The Preference Shares Paying Agent may consult as to legal matters with lawyers selected with due care by it, who may be employees of or regular independent counsel to the Issuer, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be protected from and shall incur no liability for action taken, or suffered to be taken, with respect to such matters in good faith and in accordance with the opinion or advice of such lawyers.

(c) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be protected from and shall incur no liability for or in respect of any action taken or thing suffered by it in reliance upon any Preference Shares, notice, direction, consent, certificate, affidavit, statement or other paper or document reasonably believed by it to be genuine and to have been delivered or signed by the proper parties, except as may result from its own gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct or that of its directors, officers, employees or agents.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be under any liability for interest on any money at any time received by it pursuant to any of the provisions of this Agreement, except as otherwise agreed in writing with the Issuer.

(e) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not incur any liability with respect to the validity or value of any of the Preference Shares unless otherwise specified herein.

Section 12. Conflicts. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent and its officers, directors and employees may, subject to the restrictions set forth in Section 9(c), become the Holder of, or acquire any interest in, any Preference Shares, with the same rights that it or they would have if it were not the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder, or they were not such officers, directors, or employees, and may engage or be interested in any fiscal or other transaction with the Issuer and may act on, or as depository, trustee or agent for, any committee or body of Holders of Preference Shares or other



indebtedness of the Issuer as freely as if it were not the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder or they were not such officers, directors, or employees.

(b) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be obliged to perform such duties and only such duties as are specifically set forth herein, and no implied duties or obligations shall be read into this Agreement or the Indenture against the Preference Shares Paying Agent. Except for Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions (to the extent they do not contradict this Agreement), the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no duties under Annex A to the Resolutions. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be under any obligation to take any action hereunder that may tend to involve it in any expenses or liability, the payment of which within a reasonable time is not, in its reasonable opinion, assured to it. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be accountable or under any duty or responsibility in case of any default of which the Preference Shares Paying Agent has knowledge by the Issuer in the performance of its obligations contained in the Memorandum and Articles of Association and Annex A to the Resolutions (including, without limitation, any duty or responsibility to initiate or attempt to initiate any proceedings at law or otherwise or to make any demand for payment upon the Issuer).

(c) In acting under this Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agent is acting solely as agent of the Issuer and does not assume any obligations to, or relationship of agency or trust for or with any of the owners or Holders of the Preference Shares. All funds held by the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment on the Preference Shares shall be held in trust for the Issuer, until paid.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, as between itself and the Holders of the Preference Shares, with respect to all the obligations, powers, authorities and discretions, vested in it hereunder and under the Memorandum and Articles of Association and the Resolutions, have absolute and uncontrolled discretion as to the exercise thereof whether in relation to the manner or as to the mode of and time for the exercise thereof and, in the absence of gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct on its part or that of its officers, directors or employees shall be in no way responsible for any loss, costs, damages or inconvenience that may result from the exercise or non-exercise thereof.

Section 13. Amendment. (a) This Agreement may be amended by the parties hereto, without the consent of the Holders of any Preference Shares, for the purpose of curing any ambiguity, or of curing, correcting or supplementing any defective provision contained herein, or in regard to matters or questions arising under this Agreement as the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem necessary or desirable and which shall not materially adversely affect the interests of Holders of the Preference Shares; provided that, Sections 2(f) and (g) of this Agreement may not be amended without the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class. In addition, this Agreement may be amended without the consent of any Holders of the Preference Shares and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Preference Shares in order to prevent the Issuer from becoming an “investment company” as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); provided that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer shall have received a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such amendment, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

(b) Unless otherwise as set forth in subsection (a) above, this Agreement may be amended with the consent of Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares materially and adversely affected thereby.

(c) Any amendment to this Agreement must be in writing executed by each party hereto.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to its duties and obligations herein) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an opinion of counsel, consent or certificate of the Issuer in determining whether or not any proposed amendment is permitted hereunder.

(e) Any amendment to this Agreement that would necessitate a change to the Memorandum and Articles of Association may only be made after a Special Resolution (as therein defined) has been passed to permit the Memorandum and Articles of Association to be altered to conform with such proposed amendment.

Section 14. Resignation or Removal of the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Preference Shares Paying Agent may at any time resign as the Preference Shares Paying Agent, by giving written notice to the Issuer of its resignation, specifying the date on which its resignation shall become effective (which date shall not be less than 60 days after the date on which such notice is given unless the Issuer shall agree to a shorter period). The Issuer may remove the Preference Shares Paying Agent at any time by giving written notice of not less than 60 days to the Preference Shares Paying Agent specifying the date on which such removal shall become effective. Such resignation or removal shall only take effect upon the appointment by the Issuer of a successor Preference Shares Paying Agent and upon the acceptance of such appointment by such successor Preference Shares Paying Agent; provided, however, that if the successor Preference Shares Paying Agent has not been appointed within 60 days after such notice of resignation or removal, then the Preference Shares Paying Agent, or any Holder of Preference Shares, may, on behalf of himself and others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Preference Shares Paying Agent; provided, further, that after the retirement of the Notes, if the Issuer determines that no material distributions will be paid on the Preference Shares, the Issuer may remove the Preference Shares Paying Agent at any time, by giving written notice of not less than 10 days, and assume the duties of the Preference Shares Paying Agent itself.

Section 15. Assignment. No party hereto may assign or novate any of its rights or obligations hereunder except with the prior written consent of all the parties hereto.

Section 16. Merger, Conversion, Consolidation or Succession to Business of Preference Shares Paying Agent. Any entity into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any entity resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Preference Shares Paying Agent is a party, or any entity succeeding to all or substantially all of the corporate trust business of the Preference Shares Paying Agent, shall be the successor of the Preference Shares Paying Agent under this Agreement without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto.

Section 17. Reports and Notices. The Issuer hereby authorizes the Preference Shares Paying Agent to deliver or request the Trustee to deliver all Monthly Reports and Valuation Reports (each a **"Report"** and, collectively, **"Reports"**) prepared pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver, or shall cause the Trustee to deliver a copy of any such Report to such Holders within two Business Days of receipt of any such Report. In addition, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver, or shall cause the Trustee to

deliver, a copy of any other notice or information that it has received from the Trustee under the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares within two Business Days of receipt of such notice and information. Any notices or information to be delivered by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to this Agreement shall be delivered, in each case, (i) by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to each Holder of a Preference Share at the address appearing in the Preference Share register or (ii) with respect to delivery of the Reports, by making such Reports available via its internet website, initially located at <http://www.cdocalc.com/ibt/cdo/>. All information made available on the Preference Shares Paying Agent's website shall be restricted and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall only provide access to such reports to those parties entitled thereto pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. In connection with providing access to its website, the Preference Shares Paying Agent may require registration and the acceptance of a disclaimer. Questions regarding the Preference Shares Paying Agent's website may be directed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent's customer service desk at (617) 937-5585.

Section 18. Notices. (a) All communications by or on behalf of the Issuer relating to the transfer or payment of a Preference Share or any interest therein shall be directed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent at its address set forth in clause (b)(ii) below. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall mail any notice it receives from the Trustee (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) to the Holders of the Preference Shares on the Business Day it receives such notice.

Where this Agreement provides for notice to Holders of the Preference Shares of any event, such notice shall be sufficiently given (unless otherwise herein expressly provided) if such notice is in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, to each Holder of the Preference Shares affected by such event, at such Holder's address as it appears on the Preference Share register, not later than the latest date, and not earlier than the earliest date, prescribed for the giving of such notice.

Neither the failure to mail such notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Holder of Preference Shares shall affect the sufficiency of such notice with respect to other Holders. Any notice that is given in the manner herein provided shall conclusively be presumed to have been duly given whether or not actually received by such Holder. Any notice to Holders of the Preference Shares provided for in this Agreement will be deemed to have been given on the date of mailing.

Any notice by any Holder of Holding Securities delivered to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be treated by the Preference Shares Paying Agent, for the purposes of this Agreement, as a notice, by a Holder of Preference Shares with respect to a number of Preference Shares equal to the number of Holding Preference Shares with respect to which such notice relates, delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent on the same date such notice is delivered to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent.

Where this Agreement provides for notice in any manner, such notice may be waived in writing by any Person entitled to receive such notice, either before or after the event, and such waiver shall be the equivalent of such notice.

In the event that, by reason of the suspension of the regular mail service as a result of a strike, work stoppage or similar activity, it shall be impractical to mail notice of any event to Holders of the Preference Shares when such notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this Agreement, then any manner of giving such notice as shall be satisfactory to the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be deemed to be a sufficient giving of such notice.

(b) Notices and other communications hereunder shall (except to the extent otherwise expressly provided) be in writing and shall be addressed as follows, or to such other addresses as the parties hereto shall specify from time to time:

(i) if to the Issuer:

Eastland CLO, Ltd.  
P.O. Box 1234  
Queensgate House, South Church Street  
George Town, Grand Cayman KY1-1108  
Cayman Islands  
Fax: (345) 945-6265  
Attention: The Directors

(ii) if to the Preference Shares Paying Agent:

Investors Bank & Trust Company  
200 Clarendon Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Mailcode: EUC 108  
Boston, MA 02116  
Fax: (617) 351-4358  
Attention: CDO Services Group

Section 19. Covenants of the Issuer. The Issuer shall not take any action under this Agreement or the Indenture that requires the authorization, direction or consent from the Holders of the Preference Shares without obtaining such authorization, direction or consent from the Holders of the Preference Shares. It shall be the responsibility of the Issuer to satisfy the Preference Shares Paying Agent as to the compliance with the foregoing condition (on which the Preference Shares Paying Agent may rely on in good faith).

Section 20. Transfer of Issuer Ordinary Shares. For so long as any of the Preference Shares are Outstanding, the Issuer shall not agree to the transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares to U.S. Persons (as defined in the Code), and shall not transfer any such Issuer Ordinary Shares to any Person other than a Person which is a resident of the Cayman Islands.

Section 21. Certain Tax Matters. (a) On demand of the Issuer, a Holder or beneficial owner of a Preference Share will notify the Issuer whether or not the Holder or beneficial owner of such Preference Share is a United States person within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code and the name and status of such Holder or beneficial owner as an individual, partnership, corporation, or other entity and such other information as the Issuer shall reasonably request for purposes of tax reporting of the Issuer or other Holders of the Preference Shares.

(b) The Issuer will cause the Independent accountants to make a determination as to whether a Holder's investment in the Preference Shares has become a "reportable transaction" as described in Treasury Regulation Section 1.6011-4 because, after the Closing Date, the Issuer entered into a transaction whereby the Issuer recognized a significant loss or otherwise. If the Holder's investment in the Preference Shares has become such a "reportable transaction," then the Issuer shall provide to Holders of Preference Shares any information available to it which may be reasonably necessary for such Holders of Preference Shares to comply with any disclosure requirements under Section 6011 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder with respect to its investment in the Preference Shares.

(c) The Issuer will provide or cause to be provided to each Holder or beneficial owner of the Preference Shares (or its designee), upon written request therefor, any information that such Holder or beneficial owner reasonably requests to assist such Holder or beneficial owner with regard to its or its equity owners' U.S. federal income tax filing requirements.

(d) Each Holder and beneficial owner of the Preference Shares agrees to treat the Preference Shares as equity of the Issuer and the Notes as debt of the Issuer for U.S. federal, state and local income tax purposes, if applicable.

(e) The Issuer will make an election to be treated as a partnership, and will take all necessary actions to maintain its status as a partnership (or, if the Issuer is treated as owned by one person, as a disregarded entity of such person) for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

(f) The Issuer shall not participate in listing or including the Class D Notes or Preference Shares on or in any Established Securities Markets, and shall not participate in establishing any Established Securities Market for its Class D Notes or Preference Shares. In addition, the Issuer shall not recognize any transfers made on any Established Securities Markets with respect to its Class D Notes or Preference Shares (including any transfers of any financial instrument (other than the Senior Notes) or contract the value of which is determined in whole or in part by reference to the Issuer).

(g) Transfers of Preference Shares may only be made upon receipt by the Preference Shares Paying Agent of (1) appropriate documentation required under the Code and the applicable Treasury regulations establishing that the beneficial owner of the Preference Shares to be transferred is either not a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-8BEN or an IRS Form W-8IMY with appropriate attachments) or a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-9) and (2) if such beneficial owner of Preference Shares to be transferred is treated as a partnership, S-corporation or grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a written representation from such beneficial owner that (i) there will not be any interests in such beneficial owner where substantially all of the value of such interest is attributable to the value of the Preference Shares proposed to be transferred to such beneficial owner, together with the value of any Class D Notes, Holding Securities and Preference Shares already held by such beneficial owner and (ii) such beneficial owner is not a part of any arrangement a principal purpose of which is to cause the Class D Notes and Preference Shares to be treated as owned by 100 persons or less within the meaning of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h). In addition, neither the Preference Shares Paying Agent nor the Issuer shall recognize any transfers of Preference Shares, and any such proposed transfer shall be null and void, if (a) the proposed transfer will cause the Issuer to have more than ninety-nine beneficial owners (as determined for purposes of the provisions of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h)) of its Class D Notes and Preference Shares unless it receives the consent of all of the Holders of the Preference Shares and an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that Holders of the Notes will not recognize gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such transfer, and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such transfer had not been made or (b) such transfer was made pursuant to a trade on an Established Securities Market. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be entitled to rely on the information set forth in the transfer certificates received pursuant to this Agreement in respect of the number of beneficial owners of Preference Shares and shall contact the Trustee to request, and may rely upon the information it receives from the Trustee with respect to, the number of beneficial owners of the Class D Notes. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall provide, upon request by the Trustee, the number of beneficial owners of the Preference Shares, in reliance upon the transfer certificates received pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

Section 22. Minimum Lots. Preference Shares must be held in minimum lots of 100 Preference Shares per investor and integral multiples of one Preference Share in excess thereof.

Section 23. Limited Recourse; No Petition. The Preference Shares Paying Agent hereby acknowledges and agrees that the Issuer's obligations hereunder will be solely the corporate obligations of the Issuer, and that the Preference Shares Paying Agent will not have any recourse to any of the directors, officers, employees, shareholders or Affiliates of the Issuer with respect to any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations in connection with any transactions contemplated hereby. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, recourse in respect of any obligations of the Issuer hereunder will be limited to the proceeds of the Collateral, paid pursuant to the Priority of Payments and on the exhaustion thereof all obligations of and all claims against the Issuer arising from this Agreement or any transactions contemplated hereby shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, by entering into this Agreement, hereby covenants and agrees that it will not, prior to the date which is one year and one day (or, if longer, the applicable preference period) after the payment in full of all amounts owing under the Indenture and this Agreement, institute against the Issuer, or voluntarily join in any institution against the Issuer of, any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency or liquidation proceedings, or other proceedings under any United States federal or state bankruptcy or similar law of any jurisdiction within or without the United States in connection with any obligations relating to the Preference Shares or this Agreement. The provisions of this Section 23 shall survive termination of this Agreement for any reason whatsoever.

Section 24. (a) GOVERNING LAW. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

(b) WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL. EACH OF THE ISSUER AND THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY AND ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, THE PREFERENCE SHARES OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY.

(c) Service of Process. The Issuer irrevocably appoints Investors Bank & Trust Company (the "**Process Agent**") c/o Investors Bank & Trust Company, located at 33 Maiden Lane, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10038, to receive, for it and on its behalf, service of process in any suit, action or proceeding relating to this Agreement. If for any reason the Process Agent is unable to act as such, the Issuer shall promptly notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent and within 30 days appoint a substitute process agent acceptable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

Section 25. Signatures. This Agreement may be signed in two or more counterparts with the same effect as if the signatures thereto and hereto were upon the same instrument. A facsimile signature shall be considered due execution and shall be binding upon the signatory thereto with the same force and effect as if the signature were an original.

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Please indicate your acceptance of this appointment and the terms of this Agreement by signing and returning the enclosed copy of this Agreement. The Issuer by signing this Agreement confirms its agreement to the terms stated herein.

Very truly yours,

EASTLAND CLO, LTD.,  
as Issuer

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

Name:

Title:

  
**SCOTT DAKERS**  
**Director**

Accepted and agreed to on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007.

INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST COMPANY,  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent

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

Name

Title:

  
**Brian Peterson**  
**Director**

**SCHEDULE I**

**Notice of Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities**

Date: [\_\_\_\_\_]

[Name of Holder]

[address]

Attention: [\_\_\_\_\_]

Copy:

Eastland CLO, Ltd.  
P.O. Box 1234  
Queensgate House  
South Church Street  
George Town  
Grand Cayman, KY1-1108, Cayman Islands  
Attention: the Directors

Re: Eastland CLO, Ltd.  
Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of Interest  
Proceeds

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This letter is to inform you that Highland Capital Management, L.P., in its capacity as servicer (the “**Servicer**”) with respect to that certain servicing agreement, dated as of March 13, 2007, by and between Eastland CLO, Ltd.. (the “**Issuer**”) and the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, would like to distribute Eligible Equity Securities on the Payment Date of [\_\_\_\_], 20[\_\_\_\_] to the Holders of the Preference Shares in lieu of the Interest Proceeds, in whole or in part, that are otherwise due and payable to such Holders on such Payment Date. Such Eligible Equity Securities will be distributed in accordance with Sections 2(e) and 3(b) of that certain paying agency agreement, dated as of March 13, 2007 (the “**Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement**”), by and between the Issuer and Investors Bank & Trust Company, in its capacity as preference shares paying agent (the “**Preference Shares Paying Agent**”) and Section 11.1(a)(i) of that certain indenture, dated as of March 13, 2007, by and among the Issuer, Eastland CLO Corp. and Investors Bank & Trust Company, in its capacity as trustee (the “**Trustee**”). Any capitalized terms used without definition herein are used with the meanings assigned to such terms in the Indenture.

Details with respect to the proposed distribution of such Eligible Equity Securities are attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Each Holder of the Preference Shares wishing to receive such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder (each such Holder, a “**Consenting Holder**”) must deliver the consent notice attached hereto as Exhibit B (the “**Consent Notice**”) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent not later than five Business Days prior to such



Payment Date. Each Consenting Holder must indicate in the Consent Notice the portion of Preference Shares held by such Holder for which such Holder wishes to receive a distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of Interest Proceeds. Any Consent Notice that is not delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in the manner set forth herein shall be deemed to have not been delivered.

Please contact [\_\_\_\_\_] (*insert e-mail address*) at [(\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_] with any questions.

Sincerely,

Investors Bank & Trust Company  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent

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

**EXHIBIT A**

**EXHIBIT B**

**CONSENT NOTICE**

The undersigned hereby consents to a distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of the Interest Proceeds due and payable as dividends with respect to [\_\_\_\_] of the Preference Shares held by the undersigned on the Payment Date of [\_\_\_\_], 20[\_\_\_\_].

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 20[\_\_\_\_]

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Holder

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Authorized Signatory

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Authorized Signatory

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Title of Authorized Signatory

ANNEX A  
To the Minutes of the Resolutions of the Board of Directors of  
EASTLAND CLO, LTD.

The Issuer may perform any of the functions set forth in this Annex A through the Preference Shares Paying Agent under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement or the Administrator in its capacity as Share Registrar under the Administration Agreement.

Section 1. Definitions.

Except as otherwise specified herein or as the context may otherwise require, the following terms have the respective meanings set forth below for all purposes of this Annex A, and the definitions of such terms are equally applicable both to the singular and plural forms of such terms and to the masculine, feminine and neuter genders of such terms. Capitalized terms used in this Annex A and not defined herein will have the meanings given to them in the Indenture, dated as of March 13, 2007, by and among Eastland CLO, Ltd. (the “**Issuer**”), Eastland CLO Corp., as co-issuer and Investors Bank & Trust Company, as trustee.

“**Authorized Amount**”: 100 Preference Shares and integral multiples of 1.

“**Controlling Person**”: Any person that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer or any “affiliate” (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) of any such person.

“**Corporate Trust Office**”: The corporate trust office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent at which the Preference Shares Paying Agent performs its duties under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, currently having an address of 200 Clarendon Street, Mailcode EUC 108, Boston MA 02116, telecopy no. (617) 351-4358, Attention: CDO Services Group or any other address the Preference Shares Paying Agent designates from time to time by notice to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Trustee, the Issuer and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Preference Shares Paying Agent.

“**ERISA Plan**”: Any “employee benefit plan” (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of Title I of ERISA, any “plan” described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code subject to Section 4975 of the Code and any entity whose underlying assets include the assets of any such employee benefit plan and/or plan.

“**Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**”: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Payment Date in May 2026); provided that the “Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in May 2038.

**“Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor”**: The meaning specified in Section 10(b).

**“Non-Permitted Holder”**: The meaning specified in Section 10(a).

**“Plan Asset Regulation”**: The regulation issued by the United States Department of Labor and found at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101.

**“Preference Shares”**: Preference Shares sold or transferred to a Person who is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (b) a Qualified Purchaser and evidenced by a physical certificate in definitive, fully registered form in the form set forth in Exhibit A hereto.

**“Record Date”**: As to any Payment Date, the 15<sup>th</sup> day (whether or not a Business Day) before the Payment Date.

**“Resolutions”**: The meaning specified in the minutes to which this Annex A is attached.

**“Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date”**: May 1, 2022 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date.

**“Shareholders” or “Holders”**: With respect to any Preference Shares, the Person in whose name such Preference Shares are registered in the Share Register.

**“Share Register”**: The meaning specified in Section 5(a).

**“Share Registrar”**: The meaning specified in Section 5(a).

**“Transferee Certificate”**: A certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B attached hereto, duly completed as appropriate.

## Section 2. Form of Preference Shares.

Preference Shares shall be issued in the form of one or more certificated Preference Shares as set forth in Exhibit A hereto.

Preference Shares may be offered, sold or delivered or resold only to Persons who are both (x) Qualified Institutional Buyers who purchase such Preference Shares for their own account in reliance on Rule 144A under the Securities Act and (y) Qualified Purchasers.

## Section 3. Authorized Minimum Number of Preference Shares.

The Preference Shares shall be issuable only in an Authorized Amount. The Share Registrar shall not register any transfer of Preference Shares if, after giving effect to such transfer, any transferee and any transferor that continues to hold Preference Shares would hold less than an Authorized Amount of Preference Shares.

Section 4. Execution.

The certificates representing the Preference Shares shall be executed on behalf of the Issuer by one of the Authorized Officers of the Issuer. The signature of such Authorized Officers on the Preference Share certificates may be manual or facsimile.

Preference Share certificates bearing the manual or facsimile signatures of individuals who were at any time the Authorized Officers of the Issuer shall be valid, notwithstanding the fact that such individuals or any of them have ceased to hold such offices prior to the execution and delivery of such Preference Share certificates or did not hold such offices at the date of issuance of such Preference Share certificates.

Preference Share certificates issued upon transfer of Preference Shares shall be issued in an Authorized Amount reflecting the numbers of Preference Shares so transferred and, if applicable, retained by the transferor.

No Person shall be entitled to any benefit under the Preference Share Documents until such time as such Person and the number of Preference Shares held by such Person have been recorded in the Share Register. Notwithstanding delivery of a Preference Share certificate, the Share Register shall be conclusive evidence, and the only evidence, of the issuance and registered Holders of Preference Shares.

Section 5. Registration, Registration of Transfer and Exchange.

(a) The Issuer shall cause to be kept a register (the “**Share Register**”) in the Cayman Islands in which, subject to such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe, the Issuer shall provide for the registration and registration of transfers thereof of Preference Shares. The Administrator is appointed the “**Share Registrar**” pursuant to the Administration Agreement for the purpose of registering Preference Shares and transfers of Preference Shares. Upon any resignation or removal of the Share Registrar, the Issuer shall promptly appoint a successor or, in the absence of such appointment, assume the duties of Share Registrar. The Share Registrar shall promptly provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with copies of all notices, certificates and requests received with respect to the Preference Shares and promptly provide notice of all transfers of Preference Shares. The Share Registrar shall not be required to determine whether any proposed transfer, redemption or other transaction in relation to the Preference Shares complies with any restrictions imposed by law or under the terms of the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents but shall be entitled to rely completely in that respect on the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

The Issuer will give the Preference Shares Paying Agent prompt written notice of the appointment of any successor Share Registrar and of the location, and any change in the location, of the Share Registrar, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have the right to inspect the Share Register at all reasonable times and to obtain copies thereof and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have the right to rely upon a certificate executed on behalf of such Share Registrar by an Officer thereof as to the names and addresses of the Shareholders and the numbers of Preference Shares held by each Shareholder. If the Preference Shares Paying Agent

resigns or is removed in accordance with the terms of the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement, the Issuer shall promptly appoint a successor.

Subject to this Section 5, upon surrender of a Preference Share certificate for registration of transfer thereof at the offices of the Preference Shares Paying Agent in compliance with the provisions set forth in the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall notify the Issuer and the Share Registrar thereof and the Issuer shall execute and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver, in the name of the designated transferee or transferees, one or more new Preference Share certificates of like terms and of a like number, and the Share Register shall be amended accordingly. The Issuer shall (and shall cause the Share Registrar to) refuse to register any transfer of any Preference Share to the fullest extent allowed under Cayman Islands law if such transfer would violate any of the transfer restrictions provided in this Section 5 or the transferee fails to provide a required transfer certificate.

All Preference Share certificates presented or surrendered for registration of transfer shall be duly endorsed, or be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar, duly executed by the Holder of Preference Shares thereof or its attorney duly authorized in writing.

No service charge shall be made to a Holder for any registration of transfer of Preference Shares, but the Preference Shares Paying Agent may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

(b) No Preference Share may be sold or transferred (including, without limitation, by pledge or hypothecation) unless such sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act and is exempt under applicable state securities law.

No Preference Share may be offered, sold or delivered except in accordance with this Section 5. None of the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any other Person may register the Preference Shares under the Securities Act or any state securities law.

For so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding, neither the Issuer nor the Share Registrar shall register any transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares to U.S. Persons.

If a Holder of a Preference Shares wishes at any time to transfer its interest in such Preference Shares, such Holder may cause the transfer of such interest, subject to the restrictions set forth herein. Upon receipt by the Preference Shares Paying Agent of (A) such Holder's Preference Share certificates duly endorsed and (B) a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B attached hereto given by the transferee of such Preference Shares and stating, among other things, that either the Person acquiring such interest in the Preference Shares is a (1) Qualified Institutional Buyer and (2) a Qualified Purchaser then the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall instruct the Share Registrar to, and the Share Registrar shall (i) cancel the Preference Shares certificate representing such Preference Shares and the Share Registrar will issue to such transferee a Preference Shares certificate representing the Preference Shares transferred and (ii) update the Share Register to reflect such transfer.

Any transfer will be subject to the requirement that any transferee (and transferor, in the case of a partial transfer) acquire (and retain, if applicable) Preference Shares in an Authorized Amount.

Each Transferee Certificate furnished pursuant to this Section 5(b) may be relied on conclusively by the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar. None of the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Share Registrar or any other Person shall be required to register the Preference Shares under the Securities Act or any state securities laws.

(c) By delivery of a Subscription Agreement on the Closing Date in connection with the initial issuance of the Preference Shares, or upon delivery of a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B upon the transfer of Preference Shares, each Holder of a Preference Share will represent, warrant and agree with the Issuer to what is in Exhibit B and set forth in Exhibit B.

If Preference Share certificates are issued upon the transfer, exchange or replacement of Preference Share certificates and a request is made to remove the applicable legend on such Preference Share certificates, the Preference Share certificates so issued shall bear such applicable legend, or such applicable legend shall not be removed, as the case may be, unless there is addressed to the Issuer and delivered to the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent on the Issuer's behalf such satisfactory evidence, which may include an opinion of counsel as may be reasonably required by the Issuer to the effect that neither such applicable legend nor the restrictions on transfer set forth therein are required to ensure that transfers thereof comply with the provisions of Rule 144A under the Securities Act or the Investment Company Act. Upon provision of such satisfactory evidence, the Issuer shall execute and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver Preference Share certificates that do not bear such applicable legend.

(d) At any time when the Issuer is not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act and is not exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act, upon the request of any Holder of Preference Shares, the Issuer shall promptly furnish Rule 144A Information to such Holder, to a prospective purchaser of any Preference Share designated by such Holder or to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for delivery to such Holder or a prospective purchaser designated by such Holder, as the case may be, in order to permit compliance by such Holder with Rule 144A under the Securities Act in connection with the resale of such Preference Share by such Holder.

(e) Transfers of Preference Shares may only be made upon receipt by the Preference Shares Paying Agent of (1) appropriate documentation required under the Code and the applicable Treasury regulations establishing that the beneficial owner of the Preference Shares to be transferred is either not a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-8BEN or an IRS Form W-8IMY with appropriate attachments) or a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-9) and (2) if such beneficial owner of Preference Shares to be transferred is treated as a partnership, S-corporation or grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a written representation from such beneficial owner that (i) there will not be any interests in such beneficial owner where substantially all of the value of such interest is attributable to the value of the Preference Shares proposed to be transferred to such beneficial owner, together with the value of any Class D



Notes, Holding Securities and Preference Shares already held by such beneficial owner and (ii) such beneficial owner is not a part of any arrangement a principal purpose of which is to cause the Class D Notes and Preference Shares to be treated as owned by 100 persons or less within the meaning of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h). In addition, neither the Preference Shares Paying Agent nor the Issuer shall recognize any transfers of Preference Shares, and any such proposed transfer shall be null and void, if (a) the proposed transfer will cause the Issuer to have more than ninety-nine beneficial owners (as determined for purposes of the provisions of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h)) of its Class D Notes and Preference Shares unless it receives the consent of all of the Holders of the Preference Shares and an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that Holders of the Notes will not recognize gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such transfer, and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such transfer had not been made or (b) such transfer was made pursuant to a trade on an Established Securities Market. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall contact the Trustee to determine the number of beneficial owners of the Class D Notes. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall provide, upon request by the Trustee, the number of beneficial owners of the Preference Shares.

**Section 6. Mutilated, Defaced, Destroyed, Lost or Stolen Preference Share certificates.**

If any mutilated or defaced Preference Share certificate is surrendered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, or if there shall be delivered to the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (i) evidence to their reasonable satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of any Preference Share certificate and (ii) such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them and any agent of any of them harmless that such Preference Share has been acquired by a protected purchaser, then, the Issuer shall execute and, upon Issuer Request, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver, in lieu of any such mutilated, defaced, destroyed, lost or stolen Preference Share, a new Preference Share certificate identical in all respects to the entry in the Share Register with respect to such Preference Shares represented thereby, including the same date of issuance, number of Preference Shares and name of the Holder thereof, dated the date of its execution and bearing a number not contemporaneously Outstanding. Upon the execution and delivery of any new Preference Share certificates under this Section 6, the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent may require the payment by the registered Holder thereof of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation thereto and any other expenses (including the fees and expenses of the Preference Shares Paying Agent, if applicable) connected therewith.

**Section 7. Payment of Distributions on Preference Shares.**

Pursuant to the Indenture, amounts may be paid by way of dividends to the Preference Shares Paying Agent on behalf of the Issuer on each Payment Date, on the Redemption Date or on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. Unless the Preference Shares Paying Agent has received contrary instructions from the directors of the Issuer (the “**Directors**”) prior to a Payment Date, the Redemption Date or the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date in accordance with the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, all amounts received as dividends by the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Indenture shall be paid to the Holders of Preference Shares (i) in respect of a Payment

Date or the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, *pro rata* on the Preference Shares on such Payment Date or Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date by way of a dividend on the Preference Shares or, if applicable, as redemption price therefor or (ii) in respect of the Redemption Date, in accordance with Section 3(g) of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. If, prior to the date of distribution in accordance with the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Directors instruct the Preference Shares Paying Agent not to distribute all or any portion of monies to be received as dividends by the Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to a Payment Date, the Redemption Date or the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (which instruction shall be made if such distributions would be impermissible under Cayman Islands law, and then only to the extent such distributions would be impermissible), the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall retain such monies in the Preference Shares Distribution Account and shall pay such amounts as soon as practicable after being instructed to do so by the Directors.

In addition to the distributions of dividends, pursuant to Section 2(d) of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, on each Payment Date Holders of the Class II Preference Shares shall receive, on a *pro rata* basis, the Class II Preference Share Special Payment in an amount equal to the product of (x) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date and (y) the Servicing Fees then due and payable to the Servicer.

The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall make payments or distributions (other than distributions of Equity Securities) to each registered Holder of the Preference Shares on the relevant Record Date by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a U.S. Dollar account maintained by each such Holder as notified to the Preference Shares Paying Agent or, in the absence of such notification, by U.S. Dollar check mailed to such Holder at its address of record as set forth in the Share Register. As a condition to payment of any amount hereunder without the imposition of U.S. withholding tax, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, may require certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments or distributions in respect of Preference Shares under any present or future law or regulation of the United States or any present or future law or regulation of any political subdivision thereof or taxing authority therein or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under such law or regulation. All payments of distributions by the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be made without charging any commission or fee to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

The rights of the Holders of the Preference Shares to distributions by the Issuer and in and to the assets of the Issuer in respect of such Preference Shares, shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes, to the extent and in the manner set forth in the Indenture including as set forth in Section 11.1 thereof and as required by law. If any Event of Default has occurred and has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs in accordance with Article V of the Indenture, the Notes shall be paid in full in Cash (or to the extent that a Majority of each Class of Notes consents, other than Cash) before any further payment or distribution is made on account of the Preference Shares.

In the event that any Holder of any Preference Shares shall have received any payment or distribution in respect of such Preference Shares contrary to the provisions of this

Annex A or the Indenture, then, unless and until (i) the Class A-1 Notes, (ii) the Class A-2a Notes, (iii) the Class A-2b Notes, (iv) the Class A-3 Notes, (v) the Class B Notes, (vi) the Class C Notes and (vii) the Class D Notes shall have been paid in full in Cash (or to the extent that a Majority of each Class of Notes consents, other than Cash) in accordance with the Indenture, such payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, for payment and delivery of the same to the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2a Notes, the Class A-2b Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes, as the case may be, in accordance with the Indenture; provided, however, that if any such payment or distribution is made other than in Cash, it shall be paid over and delivered to the Trustee such that it may be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral pursuant to, and subject in all respects to, the provisions of the Indenture, including Section 13.1 thereof.

Section 8. Persons Deemed Owners.

The person listed in the Share Register shall be treated as the owner of Preference Shares related thereto for all purposes, notwithstanding the possession of any certificates for the Preference Shares by another Person.

Section 9. Cancellation.

All Preference Share certificates representing Preference Shares surrendered for payment, registration of transfer, exchange or redemption, or deemed lost or stolen, shall promptly be canceled by the Share Registrar in accordance with its policy and may not be reissued or resold. No Preference Share certificates shall be issued in lieu of or in exchange for any Preference Share certificate cancelled as provided in this Section 9, except as expressly permitted by this Annex A. All cancelled Preference Share certificates held by the Share Registrar shall be placed in the minute books in the corporate records of the Issuer. Any certificates issued in respect of Preference Shares repurchased by the Issuer shall be immediately delivered to the Share Registrar for cancellation.

Section 10. Preference Shares Owned by Non-Permitted Holders; Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investors.

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, any transfer of a Preference Share to a Person that is not both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser (any such Person a “**Non-Permitted Holder**”) shall be null and void *ab initio* and any such purported transfer of which the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have notice may be disregarded by the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent for all purposes.

If any Non-Permitted Holder shall become the owner of any Preference Shares, the Issuer shall, promptly after discovery that such Person is a Non-Permitted Holder by the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (and notice by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Issuer, if the Preference Shares Paying Agent makes the discovery), send notice to such Non-Permitted Holder demanding that such Non-Permitted Holder transfer its Preference Shares to a Person that is eligible to purchase such Preference Shares hereunder within 30 days of the

date of such notice. If such Non-Permitted Holder fails to so transfer its Preference Shares, the Issuer shall have the right, without further notice to the Non-Permitted Holder, to sell such Preference Shares to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is eligible to purchase such Preference Shares hereunder on such terms as the Issuer may choose. The Issuer, or the Preference Shares Paying Agent acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting one or more bids from one or more brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Preference Shares, and selling such Preference Shares to the highest such bidder. However, the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent acting on behalf of the Issuer may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Preference Share, the Non-Permitted Holder and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder to the Non-Permitted Holder, by its acceptance of the Preference Shares, agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent to effect such transfers. The proceeds of such sale, net of any commissions, expenses and taxes due in connection with such sale, shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted Holder. The terms and conditions of any sale under this Section shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer, and neither the Issuer nor the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be liable to any Person having an interest in the Preference Shares sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of such discretion.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, no person shall be permitted to acquire Preference Shares if such acquisition would result in persons who have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owing 25% or more of the aggregate amount of either the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares outstanding immediately after such acquisition (excluding for purposes of this determination the Preference Shares held by any Controlling Person and its affiliates), determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA, the Plan Asset Regulation, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. Furthermore, no person shall be permitted to acquire Preference Shares if such person is either (1) an ERISA Plan or (2) a Benefit Plan Investor that is not an ERISA Plan, but whose purchase, holding or disposition of a Preference Share or any beneficial interest therein will result in a non-exempt violation of any federal, state, foreign or local law substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code. Any person described in the first sentence of this subsection (b) and any person described in clause (1) or (2) of the preceding sentence is referred to herein as a “**Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor**.” Any transfer of Preference Shares to a Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor shall be null and void *ab initio* and any such purported transfer of which the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have notice may be disregarded by the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent for all purposes.

If any Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor shall become the owner of Preference Shares, the Issuer shall, promptly after discovery that such person is a Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor by the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (and notice by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Issuer, if the Preference Shares Paying Agent makes the discovery), send notice to such Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor demanding that such Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor transfer its Preference Shares to a Person that is eligible to purchase such Preference Shares hereunder within 30 days of the date of such notice. If such Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor fails to so transfer such Preference Shares, the Issuer shall have the right, without further notice to the Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor, to sell such Preference Shares to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is eligible to purchase such Preference Shares hereunder

on such terms as the Issuer may choose. The Issuer, or the Preference Shares Paying Agent acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting one or more bids from one or more brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Preference Shares and selling such Preference Shares to the highest such bidder. However, the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent acting on behalf of the Issuer may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Preference Share, the Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder to the Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor, by its acceptance of Preference Shares agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent to effect such transfers. The proceeds of such sale, net of any commissions, expenses and taxes due in connection with such sale shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor. The terms and conditions of any sale under this subsection shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer, and the Issuer shall not be liable to any Person having an interest in the Preference Shares sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of such discretion.

Any Holder that becomes a Non-Permitted Holder or a Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor or any Holder who has made an ERISA-related representation required by this Annex A that was at the time made, or has subsequently become, false or misleading, must immediately give written notice to the Issuer of such event. Any Holder of Preference Shares that proposes or attempts a transfer that would result in the holding of Preference Shares by a Non-Permitted Holder or that the Holder knows or has reason to know would result in the holding of Preference Shares by a Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor, must give at least 15 days prior written notice to the Issuer of such proposed transfer. In any case, the notifying party must provide the Issuer such information as it may request in order to determine the effect, if any, of such event on the Issuer with respect to its compliance with the Securities Act, the Investment Company Act, ERISA and the Code.

#### Section 11. Return of Undistributed Payments.

Except as otherwise required by applicable law, any monies deposited with the Preference Shares Paying Agent and held in the Preference Shares Distribution Account or otherwise held for any payment with respect to the Preference Shares and remaining unclaimed for two years after such amounts have become payable shall be paid to the Issuer on Issuer Request; and the Holder of such Preference Shares shall thereafter look only to the Issuer for payment of such amounts and all liability of the Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such Money (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Issuer) shall thereupon cease. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, before being required to make any such release of payment, may, but shall not be required to, adopt and employ, at the expense of the Issuer, any reasonable means of notification of such release of payment, including, but not limited to, mailing notice to Holders whose right to or interest in such unclaimed monies is determinable from the records of the Preference Shares Paying Agent or Share Registrar at the last address of record of each such Holder.

#### Section 12. Disclosure of Tax Treatment.

In order to ensure the Holders' and beneficial owners' acquisition of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents are not treated as offered under

conditions of confidentiality, the Holders and beneficial owners of the Preference Shares (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) are hereby permitted to disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions contemplated by the Preference Share Documents (including the ownership and disposition of the Preference Shares). For this purpose, the tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction, and the tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction.

### Section 13. Certain Tax Matters.

The Issuer and each Holder and each beneficial owner of a Preference Share, by acceptance of its Preference Share, or its interest in a Preference Share, shall be deemed to have agreed to treat, and shall treat, such Preference Share as equity of the Issuer and the Notes as debt of the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes.

The Issuer will make an election to be treated as a partnership, and will take all necessary actions to maintain its status as a partnership (or, if the Issuer is treated as owned by one person, as a disregarded entity of such person) for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

The Issuer shall file, or cause to be filed, any tax return, including information tax returns, required by any governmental authority; provided, however, that the Issuer shall not file, or cause to be filed, any income or franchise tax return in any state of the United States unless it shall have obtained an Opinion of Counsel from a tax counsel of nationally recognized standing experienced in such matters prior to such filing that, under the laws of such jurisdiction, the Issuer is required to file such income or franchise tax return.

Each Holder and beneficial owner of a Preference Share, by acceptance of its Preference Share or its interest in a Preference Share, shall be deemed to understand and acknowledge that failure to provide the Issuer, the Trustee or the Preference Shares Paying Agent with the applicable U.S. federal income tax certifications (generally, a United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 (or successor applicable form) in the case of a person that is a “United States person” within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code or an appropriate United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 (or successor applicable form) in the case of a person that is not a “United States person” within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) may result in U.S. federal withholding from payments in respect of such Preference Share and the Issuer will have the unconditional right to cause such Holder to sell any and all Preference Shares to the Issuer or to a person chosen by the Issuer or the Issuer’s agent on such terms as the Issuer may choose.

The Issuer will provide or cause to be provided to each Holder or beneficial owner of the Preference Shares (or its designee), upon written request therefor, any information that such Holder or beneficial owner reasonably requests to assist such Holder or beneficial owner with regard to its or its equity owners’ U.S. federal income tax filing requirements.

The Issuer will cause the Independent accountants to make a determination as to whether a Holder’s investment in the Preference Shares has become a “reportable transaction” as

described in Treasury Regulation Section 1.6011-4 because, after the Closing Date, the Issuer entered into a transaction whereby the Issuer recognized a significant loss or otherwise. If the Holder's investment in the Preference Shares has become such a "reportable transaction," then the Issuer shall provide to Holders of Preference Shares any information available to it which may be reasonably necessary for such Holders of Preference Shares to comply with any disclosure requirements under Section 6011 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder with respect to its investment in the Preference Shares.

The Issuer shall not become the owner of any asset if the ownership or disposition of such asset (without regard to the other activities of the Issuer) would cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes, it being understood that the purchase of Collateral Obligations pursuant to the acquisition standards set forth in the Collateral Acquisition Agreement will not be deemed to cause the Issuer to be engaged in a trade or business with the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

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**Exhibit A**

**FORM OF PREFERENCE SHARE CERTIFICATE**

**EASTLAND CLO, LTD.**

**PREFERENCE SHARES, PAR VALUE \$0.01 PER SHARE**

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “**SECURITIES ACT**”), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**”). THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER (“**QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT (IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE PREFERENCE SHARES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A) WHO IS ALSO A QUALIFIED PURCHASER (“**QUALIFIED PURCHASER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER) AND THAT (1) HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (2) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS AND (3) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE, (B) IN EACH CASE, IN A NUMBER OF NOT LESS THAN 100 PREFERENCE SHARES FOR THE PURCHASER AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY BE PURCHASED BY OR TRANSFERRED TO A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR CONTROLLING PERSON (EACH AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) ONLY UPON THE SATISFACTION OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID AB INITIO, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE



TRANSFeree, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL ANY PREFERENCE SHARES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS OR NON-PERMITTED BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS (AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER AND ANY PAYING AGENT, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE SERVICER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY.

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY NOT BE ACQUIRED OR HELD BY (I) ANY "EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(3) OF THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA"), THAT IS SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA, (II) ANY "PLAN" DESCRIBED BY SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE"), THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, OR (III) ANY ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE "PLAN ASSETS" OF ANY PLAN DESCRIBED IN (I) OR (II) BY REASON OF A PLAN'S INVESTMENT IN SUCH ENTITY (EACH OF (I), (II) AND (III), A "BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR"), EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

EACH TRANSFeree WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFeree CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

**EASTLAND CLO, LTD.**

Number [P] [S] -

CUSIP NO.:

xxxxx Preference Shares

Existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands  
**US \$1,000** divided into 1,000 Ordinary Shares  
of a nominal par value of **US \$1.00** each  
and 123,500 Preference Shares of a nominal or par value of **US \$0.01** each

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT

**XXX**

is the registered Holder of

**- XXX Preference Shares -**

in the above-named Company subject to the Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association thereof

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED BY the said Company on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of March 2007.  
EXECUTED on behalf of the said Company by:

DIRECTOR\_\_\_\_\_

**Exhibit B**

**FORM OF TRANSFeree CERTIFICATE FOR PREFERENCE SHARES**

Eastland CLO, Ltd.  
P.O. Box 1234  
Queensgate House  
South Church Street  
George Town  
Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands

Investors Bank & Trust Company  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent

[\_\_\_\_\_]   
Attention: [\_\_\_\_\_]

Re: Eastland CLO, Ltd.  
Preference Shares, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share

Dear Sirs:

Reference is hereby made to the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association (the "**Articles**") and certain resolutions adopted at a meeting of the Issuer's Board of Directors on or about [\_\_\_\_], 2007 (the "**Resolutions**"), as reflected in the minutes thereof. Reference is also made to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of March 13, 2007 (the "**Agreement**") by and between Eastland CLO, Ltd., as Issuer and Investors Bank & Trust Company, as Preference Shares Paying Agent. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings set forth in the Resolutions, including Annex A thereto ("**Annex A**"), and if not defined in the Resolutions, in the Offering Memorandum.

This certificate relates to \_\_\_\_\_ Preference Shares which are to be transferred to the undersigned transferee (the "**purchaser**") pursuant to Section 5(b) of Annex A.

1. The purchaser hereby represents, warrants and covenants for the benefit of the Issuer that the transfer has been effected in accordance with the transfer restrictions set forth in Section 5(b) of Annex A and the Offering Memorandum, dated March [\_\_\_], 2007 (the "**Offering Memorandum**") relating to the Preference Shares and that:

(1) The purchaser hereby certifies that it is a Qualified Institutional Buyer as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act and a Qualified Purchaser for purposes of the Investment Company Act; and

(2) The Purchaser is aware that the sale of the Preference Shares to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements under the Securities Act and it is acquiring the Preference Shares for its own account in a number not less than the minimum lot.

2. The purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in the Preference Shares, and the purchaser is able to bear the economic risk of its investment.

3. The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Preference Shares have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Preference Shares, such Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the legend in respect of such Preference Shares set forth in clause (11) below and the restrictions set forth in the Preference Share Documents. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Issuer, the Servicer or the Placement Agent or any of their respective Affiliates as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Preference Shares.

4. The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Preference Shares or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Preference Share Documents, to which provisions the purchaser hereby agrees it is subject.

5. The purchaser is not purchasing the Preference Shares with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. It has read and understood the Offering Memorandum, including, without limitation, the "Risk Factors" section therein. The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares will be highly illiquid and are not suitable for short-term trading. The Preference Shares are a leveraged investment in the Collateral Obligations that may expose the Preference Shares to disproportionately large changes in value. Payments in respect of the Preference Shares are not guaranteed as they are dependent on the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations. The purchaser understands that it is possible that, due to the structure of the transaction and the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations, dividends or other distributions in respect of the Preference Shares may be reduced or eliminated entirely. Furthermore, the Preference Shares constitute equity in the Issuer, are not secured by the Collateral and will rank behind all creditors (secured and unsecured and whether known or unknown) of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the Holders of the Notes, and any Hedge Counterparties. The Issuer has assets limited to the Collateral for payment of all Classes of the Notes and dividends and other distributions on the Preference Shares, and the Preference Shares bear, *pro rata*, the first risk of loss. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Preference Shares involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of all or a substantial part of its investment. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Issuer, the Preference Shares and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Preference Shares, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Issuer and the Placement Agent.

6. (i) None of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment advisor for the purchaser, (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates other than in the Offering Memorandum and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other Person or documentation for the Preference Shares) any assurance, guarantee or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance, result, effect, consequence or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting or otherwise) of the Preference Shares or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the documentation for the Preference Shares) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Preference Shares reflect those in the relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) the purchaser is purchasing the Preference Shares with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (vii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

7. (A) The purchaser is (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, (B) the purchaser is acquiring the Preference Shares as principal for its own account (and not for the account of any family or other trust, any family member or any other person) for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (C) the purchaser was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Preference Shares (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser is a Qualified Purchaser), (D) to the extent the purchaser is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, the purchaser has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (E) the purchaser is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (F) the purchaser is not a pension, profit-sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners beneficiaries or participants or affiliates may designate the particular investment to be made, (G) the purchaser agrees that it shall not hold such Preference Shares for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Preference Shares or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or other distributions on the Preference Shares (except when each such other Person is (i) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (ii) a Qualified Purchaser) and (H) the purchaser

understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Preference Shares to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph shall be null and void *ab initio*.

8. The purchaser understands that, prior to any sale or other transfer of any interest in a Preference Share, it (or the transferee, as applicable) will be required to provide to the Issuer and Preference Shares Paying Agent a duly executed transfer certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B attached to Annex A and such other certificates and other information as they may reasonably require to confirm that the proposed transfer complies with the restrictions in the legend placed on each certificate representing the Preference Shares and in the Preference Share Documents.

9. The purchaser understands and agrees that (i) no purchase or transfer may be made that would result in any person or entity holding beneficial ownership in any Preference Shares in less than an authorized number as set forth in Annex A and (ii) no purchase or transfer of Preference Shares that would have the effect of requiring either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral to register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act will be permitted.

10. The purchaser understands and agrees that no purchase or transfer of Preference Shares (i) to a purchaser or transferee that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor (as defined in Section 3(42) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended “ERISA”) or a Controlling Person (as defined below) will be effective, and the Issuer or the Share Registrar will not recognize or register such purchase or transfer, if such purchase or transfer would result in Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares (determined pursuant to Section 3(42) of ERISA, 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents) or (ii) will be permitted if such purchase or transfer will result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of Code (as defined below) (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law). The purchaser further understands and agrees that any transfer in violation of the applicable provisions of the Preference Share Documents will be null and void *ab initio*. For purposes of the 25% determination described in the first sentence of this clause (10), the Preference Shares held by the Trustee, the Servicer, any of their respective affiliates (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) and any other persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding. The purchaser’s acquisition, holding and disposition of the Preference Shares will not result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “Code”) (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law), because such purchase, holding or acquisition either (a) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (b) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all conditions of which are and will be satisfied throughout its holding of such Preference Shares. The purchaser and any fiduciary or Person causing it to acquire the Preference Shares agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Servicer and their respective affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of a breach of the representations set forth in this clause (10) and clause (12) below. If the purchaser is an

insurance company investing through its general account as defined in United States Department of Labor (“**DOL**”) Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption (“**PTCE**”) 95-60, for so long as it holds the Preference Shares, such purchaser represents that the percentage of assets of such insurance company general account that may be treated as “plan assets” under ERISA and the Code will always remain below 25% (as determined pursuant to ERISA and the Code).

11. The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares (a) will be represented by one or more Preference Share certificates which will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Issuer determines otherwise in accordance with applicable law, and (b) may only be resold, pledged or transferred to Qualified Institutional Buyers who are also (x) Qualified Purchasers or (y) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers. The purchaser understands that before the Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred, the transferee will be required to provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Issuer with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “**SECURITIES ACT**”), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**”). THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER (“**QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT (IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE PREFERENCE SHARES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A) WHO IS ALSO A QUALIFIED PURCHASER (“**QUALIFIED PURCHASER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER) AND THAT (1) HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (2) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS AND (3) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE, (B) IN EACH CASE, IN A NUMBER OF NOT LESS THAN 100 PREFERENCE SHARES FOR THE PURCHASER AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE



DOCUMENTS. THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY BE PURCHASED BY OR TRANSFERRED TO A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR CONTROLLING PERSON (EACH AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) ONLY UPON THE SATISFACTION OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID AB INITIO, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL ANY PREFERENCE SHARES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS OR NON-PERMITTED BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS (AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER AND ANY PAYING AGENT, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE SERVICER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY.

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY NOT BE ACQUIRED OR HELD BY (I) ANY "EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(3) OF THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA") THAT IS SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA, (II) ANY "PLAN" DESCRIBED BY SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE") THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, OR (III) ANY ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE "PLAN ASSETS" OF ANY PLAN DESCRIBED IN (I) OR (II) BY REASON OF A PLAN'S INVESTMENT IN SUCH ENTITY (EACH OF (I), (II) AND (III), A "BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR"), EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

12. The funds that the purchaser is using or will use to purchase the Preference Shares are assets of a person who is or at any time while the Preference Shares are held by the purchaser will be (A) an "employee benefit plan" as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA that is subject to Title I of ERISA, (B) a "plan" described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code that is subject to

Section 4975 of the Code or (C) an entity whose underlying assets would be deemed to include “plan assets” of either of the foregoing by reason of the investment by an employee benefit plan or other plan in the entity within the meaning of 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101, as modified by Section 3(42) of ERISA (the plans and persons described in clauses (A), (B) and (C) being referred to as “**Benefit Plan Investors**”).

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ (Please check either yes or no).

If yes, such funds are assets of an employee benefit plan subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA or a plan described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code and subject to Section 4975 of the Code.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ (Please check either yes or no).

The purchaser is not the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or any other person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer, or any “affiliate” (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) of any such person (any such person, a “**Controlling Person**”). **Please place a check in the following space if the foregoing statement is NOT accurate:** \_\_\_\_\_.

If the purchaser is an insurance company investing through its general account as defined in PTCE 95-60, for so long as it holds the Preference Shares, no more than \_\_\_\_% of the assets of such insurance company general account could be treated as plan assets for purposes of Section 3(42) of ERISA. The purchaser will promptly notify the Issuer if this percentage changes. **(Please provide percentage, if applicable).**

If the purchaser is a Benefit Plan Investor that is an entity (other than an insurance company general account) whose underlying assets include “plan assets” by reason of an employee benefit plan’s or other plan’s investment in the entity, for so long as it holds the Preference Shares, no more than \_\_\_\_% of the purchaser’s assets shall be treated as “plan assets” under Section 3(42) of ERISA. The purchaser will promptly notify the Issuer if this percentage changes. **(Please provide percentage, if applicable).**

The purchaser’s acquisition, holding and disposition of the Preference Shares will not result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law), unless an exemption is available, all conditions of which have been and will be satisfied throughout the purchaser’s holding of the Preference Shares.

The purchaser further acknowledges and agrees that the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement will entitle the Issuer to require the purchaser to dispose of the Preference Shares as soon as practicable following notification by the Issuer of any change in the information supplied in this clause (12).

The purchaser understands that the representations made in this clause (12) will be deemed made on each day from the date hereof through and including the date on which the purchaser disposes of its interests in the Preference Shares.

The purchaser agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent and the Servicer and their respective affiliates from any cost, damage, or loss incurred by them as a result of a breach of the representation in this clause (12).

The purchaser agrees that it will not sell, pledge or otherwise transfer any Preference Shares in violation of the foregoing.

13. The purchaser will provide notice to each Person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Preference Shares of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Preference Share Documents, including the exhibits referenced in the Preference Share Documents.

14. The purchaser understands that the Preference Share Documents permit the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Preference Shares who is a U.S. Person and who is determined not to have been both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser at the time of acquisition of the Preference Shares to sell such Preference Shares, or to sell such Preference Shares on behalf of such purchaser, to a Person that is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act.

15. The beneficial owner, if not a U.S. Person, either (i) is not a bank (within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code) or (ii) is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States. The beneficial owner is not purchasing the Preference Shares in order to reduce its United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan.

16. The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Preference Shares. The purchaser further acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Securities in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the Offering Memorandum relating to the Preference Shares shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Preference Shares in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

17. The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Preference Shares, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase Preference Shares from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof (or, with respect to any Preference Shares held by Investors Corp., to purchase the Holding Preference Shares from any Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder thereof), in each case, at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder or Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder will be required to

sell such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be, to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

18. The purchaser understands that the scheduled redemption date of the Preference Shares is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of the Preference Shares at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

19. The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Preference Shares by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

20. The beneficial owner will agree to treat, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, (a) the Preference Shares as equity of the Issuer, (b) the Notes as indebtedness of the Issuer and (c) the Issuer as a partnership (except to the extent the Issuer can no longer be treated as a partnership as a result of any election by the Issuer, changes in ownership of the Issuer or changes in the manner in which the equity of the Issuer is traded). The beneficial owner will be deemed to have acknowledged that the Issuer is not authorized to engage in activities that could cause it to constitute a finance or lending business for U.S. federal income tax purposes and agrees that it will report its investment in Preference Shares consistent with such limitation.

21. To the extent required, as determined by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Preference Shares to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the U.S. Patriot Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Preference Share to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

22. The purchaser agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

23. The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

24. The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer has the right pursuant to Section 6 of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement to issue additional Preference Shares.

25. The purchaser understands that, to the extent required, as determined by the Co-Issuers, the Co-Issuers may amend the Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer only, the Preference Share Documents, without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders of the Securities that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7 if, at any time following the

Closing Date, the Co-Issuers elect to rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7).

26. The purchaser understands that the Issuer may enter into amendments or modifications to the Servicing Agreement without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities.

27. The purchaser agrees to provide (and agrees it will cause any subsequent transferee of its Preference Shares to provide) the Share Registrar (1) appropriate documentation required under the Code and the applicable Treasury regulations establishing that the beneficial owner of the Preference Shares to be transferred is either a non-U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-8BEN or an IRS Form W-8IMY with appropriate attachments) or a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-9) and (2) if such beneficial owner is treated as a partnership, S-corporation or grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a written representation from such beneficial owner that (i) there will not be any interests in such beneficial owner where substantially all of the value of such interest is attributable to the value of the Preference Shares proposed to be transferred to such beneficial owner, together with the value of any Class D Notes, Holding Securities and Preference Shares already held by such beneficial owner and (ii) such beneficial owner is not a part of any arrangement a principal purpose of which is to cause the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares to be treated as owned by 100 persons or less within the meaning of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h). The purchaser agrees to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form and other certificate in each of the following circumstances: (i) no later than 120 days prior to the expiration (if applicable) of the last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate, (ii) upon any change of circumstance that would cause that the last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate to be incorrect and (iii) upon a request by the Issuer or the Share Registrar. The purchaser agrees that if it fails to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form or other certificate no later than 120 days prior to the expiration of the last previously provided U.S. tax form or, if earlier, within the time specified in any request by the Issuer or the Share Registrar (which shall not be less than 30 days), the Issuer will have the unconditional right to cause such purchaser to sell any and all Preference Shares to the Issuer or to a person chosen by the Issuer or the Issuer’s agent on such terms as the Issuer may choose. For this purpose, an IRS Form W-8IMY (or any successor form thereto) will be deemed to expire upon the expiration of any withholding statement or U.S. tax forms associated with such IRS Form W-8IMY.

28. The purchaser understands and agrees that the Issuer will not recognize any transfers of Preference Shares if the proposed transfer will cause the Issuer to have either (a) exactly one beneficial owner or (b) more than ninety-nine beneficial owners (as determined for purposes of the provisions of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h)) of its Class D Notes and its Preference Shares unless, in the case of clause (b), it receives the consent of all of the Holders of the Preference Shares and an opinion of counsel to the effect that Holders of the Notes will not recognize gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such transfer, and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such transfer had not been made.

29. The purchaser represents that it has not acquired the Preference Shares pursuant to a trade on an “established securities market” and agrees that it will not trade any Preference Shares on an “established securities market.” For this purpose, the term “established securities market” includes any national securities exchange registered under Section 6 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or exempted from registration because of the limited volume of transaction; any foreign securities exchange that, under the laws of the jurisdiction where it is organized, satisfies regulatory requirements that are analogous to the regulatory requirements imposed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; any regional or local exchange; and any interdealer quotation system that regularly disseminates firm buy or sell quotations by identified brokers or dealers, by electronic means or otherwise. The purchaser understands and agrees that in the event that the purchaser acquires or trades the Preference Shares on an established securities market, as described above, the Issuer will not recognize any transfers of Preference Shares made pursuant to such acquisition or trade.

30. The purchaser is \_\_\_ / is not \_\_\_ (check one) Highland Financial Partners, L.P. or any of its subsidiaries.

31. The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee, the Placement Agent and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Preference Shares or any beneficial interest therein are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee and the Placement Agent.

THIS LETTER SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the undersigned has executed this Preference Share Transferee Certificate on the date set forth below.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 200\_\_

**Number of Preference Shares subscribed for (at a purchase price of U.S.\$1,000 per share):**

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**Aggregate purchase price of the Preference Shares subscribed for:**

U.S.\$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Purchaser

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Authorized Signatory

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Authorized Signatory

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Title of Authorized Signatory

**Please remember to give the Preference Shares Paying Agent the proper U.S. federal income tax certifications or else the Preference Shares Paying Agent may have to withhold part of any payment due and payable to you.**

(1) the name and address of the registered Holder of the Preference Shares is:

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- (2) the wire/payment instructions for the registered Holder of the Preference Shares are:

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## **EXHIBIT R**

EXECUTION COPY

## SERVICING AGREEMENT

This Servicing Agreement, dated as of March 13, 2007 is entered into by and among EASTLAND CLO LTD., an exempted company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands, with its registered office located at the offices of Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited, P.O. Box 1234, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, Cayman Islands (together with successors and assigns permitted hereunder, the "Issuer"), and HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, with its principal offices located at Two Galleria Tower, 13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300, Dallas, Texas 75240, as servicer ("Highland" or, in such capacity, the "Servicer").

### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Issuer and EASTLAND CLO CORP. (the "Co-Issuer" and together with the Issuer, the "Co-Issuers") intend to issue U.S.\$100,000,000 of their Class A-1 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2022 (the "Class A-1 Notes"), U.S.\$825,600,000 of their Class A-2a Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2022 (the "Class A-2a Notes"), U.S.\$206,000,000 of their Class A-2b Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2022 (the "Class A-2b Notes" and, together with the Class A-2a Notes, the "Class A-2 Notes"), U.S.\$78,500,000 of their Class A-3 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2022 (the "Class A-3 Notes" and, together with the Class A-1 Notes and Class A-2 Notes, the "Class A Notes"), U.S.\$81,500,000 of their Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due 2022 (the "Class B Notes") and U.S.\$68,500,000 of their Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due 2022 (the "Class C Notes" and, together with the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes, the "Senior Notes") and the Issuer will individually issue U.S.\$48,000,000 of its Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due 2022 (the "Class D Notes" and together with the Senior Notes, the "Notes") pursuant to the Indenture dated as of March 13, 2007 (the "Indenture"), among the Co-Issuers and Investors Bank & Trust Company, as trustee (the "Trustee") and 61,500 Class I Preference Shares, \$0.01 par value (the "Class I Preference Shares") and 62,000 Class II Preference Shares, \$0.01 par value (the "Class II Preference Shares" and, together with the Class I Preference Shares, the "Preference Shares" and, together with the Notes, the "Securities") pursuant to the Preference Share Documents;

WHEREAS, the Issuer intends to pledge certain Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments and Cash (all as defined in the Indenture) and certain other assets (all as set forth in the Indenture) (collectively, the "Collateral") to the Trustee as security for the Notes;

WHEREAS, the Issuer wishes to enter into this Servicing Agreement, pursuant to which the Servicer agrees to perform, on behalf of the Issuer, certain duties with respect to the Collateral in the manner and on the terms set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the Servicer has the capacity to provide the services required hereby and is prepared to perform such services upon the terms and conditions set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements herein set forth, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Definitions.

Terms used herein and not defined below shall have the meanings set forth in the Indenture.

“Advisers Act” shall mean the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended.

“Agreement” shall mean this Servicing Agreement, as amended from time to time.

“Governing Instruments” shall mean the memorandum, articles or certificate of incorporation or association and by-laws, if applicable, in the case of a corporation; the certificate of formation, if applicable, or the partnership agreement, in the case of a partnership; or the certificate of formation, if applicable, or the limited liability company agreement, in the case of a limited liability company.

“HFP” shall mean collectively, Highland Financial Partners, L.P. and any subsidiary thereof.

“Independent Advisor” shall have the meaning specified in Section IV.B. of the Collateral Acquisition Agreement.

“Offering Memorandum” shall mean the Offering Memorandum of the Issuer dated March 9, 2007 prepared in connection with the offering of the Securities.

“Servicer Breaches” shall have the meaning specified in Section 10(a).

“Special Procedures Obligation” shall have the meaning specified in Section IV.A. of the Collateral Acquisition Agreement.

2. General Duties of the Servicer.

(a) The Servicer shall provide services to the Issuer as follows:

(i) Subject to and in accordance with the terms the Indenture and this Agreement, the Servicer shall supervise and direct the administration, acquisition and disposition of the Collateral, and shall perform on behalf of the Issuer those duties and obligations of the Servicer required by the Indenture and this Agreement, and including the furnishing of orders, requests and officer’s certificates, and such certifications as are required of the Servicer under the Indenture with respect to permitted purchases and sales of the Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments and other assets, and other matters, and, to the extent necessary or appropriate to perform such duties, the Servicer shall have the power to execute and deliver all necessary and appropriate documents and instruments on behalf of the Issuer with respect thereto. The Servicer shall, subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the Indenture, perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder with reasonable care and in good faith, using a degree of skill and attention no less than that which the Servicer exercises with respect to comparable assets that it services or manages for others having similar objectives and restrictions, and in a manner consistent with practices and procedures followed by institutional servicers

or managers of national standing relating to assets of the nature and character of the Collateral for clients having similar objectives and restrictions, except as expressly provided otherwise in this Agreement and/or the Indenture. To the extent not inconsistent with the foregoing, the Servicer shall follow its customary standards, policies and procedures in performing its duties under the Indenture and hereunder. The Servicer shall comply with all terms and conditions of the Indenture affecting the duties and functions to be performed hereunder. The Servicer shall not be bound to follow any amendment to the Indenture until it has received written notice thereof and until it has received a copy of the amendment from the Issuer or the Trustee; provided, however, that the Servicer shall not be bound by any amendment to the Indenture that affects the rights, powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer unless the Servicer shall have consented thereto in writing. The Issuer agrees that it shall not permit any amendment to the Indenture that (x) affects the rights, powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer or (y) affects the amount or priority of any fees payable to the Servicer to become effective unless the Servicer has been given prior written notice of such amendment and consented thereto in writing;

(ii) the Servicer shall select any Collateral which shall be acquired by the Issuer pursuant to the Indenture in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria;

(iii) the Servicer shall monitor the Collateral on an ongoing basis and provide to the Issuer all reports, certificates, schedules and other data with respect to the Collateral which the Issuer is required to prepare and deliver under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement, in the form and containing all information required thereby and in reasonable time for the Issuer to review such required reports, certificates, schedules and data and to deliver them to the parties entitled thereto under the Indenture; the Servicer shall undertake to determine to the extent reasonably practicable whether a Collateral Obligation has become a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; and the Servicer shall monitor any Hedge Agreements and direct the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer in respect of all actions to be taken thereunder by the Issuer;

(iv) the Servicer, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture may, at any time permitted under the Indenture, and shall, when required by the Indenture, direct the Trustee to (x) dispose of a Collateral Obligation, Equity Security or Eligible Investment or other securities received in respect thereof in the open market or otherwise, (y) acquire, as security for the Notes in substitution for or in addition to any one or more Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments included in the Collateral, one or more substitute Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments, or (z) direct the Trustee to take the following actions with respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment:

- (1) retain such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment;
- or
- (2) if applicable, tender such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment pursuant to an Offer; or
  - (3) if applicable, consent to any proposed amendment, modification or waiver pursuant to an Offer; or

(4) retain or dispose of any securities or other property (if other than Cash) received pursuant to an Offer; or

(5) waive any default with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or

(6) vote to accelerate the maturity of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or

(7) exercise any other rights or remedies with respect to such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment as provided in the related Underlying Instruments, including in connection with any workout situations, or take any other action consistent with the terms of the Indenture which is in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities;

(v) subject to and in accordance with the terms of the Indenture and this Agreement, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall determine whether to enter into any additional hedging arrangements, increase or reduce the notional amounts of existing Hedge Agreements or terminate existing Hedge Agreements, and the Servicer shall use its reasonable efforts to cause the Issuer, promptly following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) and to the extent possible through application of funds received as a result of the early termination (including the proceeds of the liquidation of any collateral pledged by the hedge counterparty), to enter into a replacement Hedge Agreement;

(vi) the Servicer shall on or prior to any day which is a Redemption Date, direct the Trustee to enter into contracts to dispose of the Collateral Obligations and any other Collateral pursuant to the Indenture and otherwise comply with all redemption procedures and certification requirements in the Indenture in order to allow the Trustee to effect such redemption; and

(vii) if the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, desires to make distributions of Eligible Equity Securities on any Payment Date pursuant to Section 2(e) of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Servicer shall so notify the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent and provide the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of the Preference Shares with respect to the applicable Record Date) details of such Eligible Equity Securities in accordance with the procedure set forth in Section 3(b) of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

(b) In performing its duties hereunder, the Servicer shall seek to preserve the value of the Collateral for the benefit of the Holders of the Securities taking into account the collateral criteria and limitations set forth herein and in the Indenture and the Servicer shall use reasonable efforts to select and service the Collateral in such a way that will permit a timely performance of all payment obligations by the Issuer under the Indenture; provided, that the Servicer shall not be responsible if such objectives are not achieved so long as the Servicer performs its duties under this Agreement in the manner provided for herein, and provided, further, that there shall be no recourse to the Servicer with respect to the Notes or the Preference Shares. The Servicer and the Issuer shall take such other action, and furnish such certificates, opinions and other documents, as may be reasonably requested by the other party hereto in order to effectuate the purposes of this Agreement and to facilitate compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the terms of this Agreement.

(c) The Servicer hereby agrees to the following:

(i) The Servicer agrees not to institute against, or join any other Person in instituting against, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation proceedings or other proceedings under federal or state bankruptcy or similar laws of any jurisdiction until at least one year and one day (or if longer, any applicable preference period plus one day) after the payment in full of all Notes issued under the Indenture; provided, however, that nothing in this clause (i) shall preclude, or be deemed to estop, the Servicer (A) from taking any action prior to the expiration of such period in (x) any case or proceeding voluntarily filed or commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, or (y) any involuntary insolvency proceeding filed or commenced against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, by a Person other than the Servicer, or (B) from commencing against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any properties of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any legal action which is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium, liquidation or similar proceeding. This Section 2(c)(i) shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

(ii) The Servicer shall cause each sale or purchase of any Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investment to be conducted on an arm's-length basis.

(iii) The Servicer shall notify the Trustee, the Share Registrar and the Holding Share Registrar of any Affiliate of the Servicer that owns the Securities or the Holding Preference Shares.

(iv) HFP and/or its subsidiaries will purchase Class C Notes having an aggregate principal amount equal to U.S.\$11,000,000, Class D Notes having an aggregate principal amount equal to U.S.\$9,000,000, the Servicer and/or its Affiliates (other than HFP) will purchase Holding Preferences Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$11,583,000 and HFP and/or its subsidiaries will purchase Class II Preferences Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$62,000,000.

(d) The Servicer shall not act for the Issuer in any capacity except as provided in this Section 2. In providing services hereunder, the Servicer may employ third parties, including its Affiliates, to render advice (including advice with respect to the servicing of the Collateral) and assistance; provided, however, that the Servicer shall not be relieved of any of its duties or liabilities hereunder regardless of the performance of any services by third parties. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Servicer shall not be required to take any action required of it pursuant to this Agreement or the Indenture if such action would constitute a violation of any law.

(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement or the Indenture, (i) any granted signatory powers or authority granted to the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer with respect to the Special Procedures Obligations shall be conditioned upon the prior written approval of the Independent Advisor and (ii) neither the Servicer nor any Affiliate of the Servicer shall have any authority to enter into agreements, or take any action, on behalf of the Issuer with respect to the Special Procedures Obligations without the prior written approval of the Independent Advisor.

### 3. Brokerage.

The Servicer shall seek to obtain the best prices and execution for all orders placed with respect to the Collateral, considering all reasonable circumstances. Subject to the objective of obtaining best prices and execution, the Servicer may take into consideration research and other brokerage services furnished to the Servicer or its Affiliates by brokers and dealers which are not Affiliates of the Servicer. Such services may be used by the Servicer or its Affiliates in connection with its other servicing or advisory activities or operations. The Servicer may aggregate sales and purchase orders of securities placed with respect to the Collateral with similar orders being made simultaneously for other accounts serviced or managed by Servicer or with accounts of the Affiliates of the Servicer, if in the Servicer's reasonable judgment such aggregation shall result in an overall economic benefit to the Issuer, taking into consideration the advantageous selling or purchase price, brokerage commission and other expenses. In the event that a sale or purchase of a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment (in accordance with the terms of the Indenture) occurs as part of any aggregate sales or purchase orders, the objective of the Servicer (and any of its Affiliates involved in such transactions) shall be to allocate the executions among the accounts in an equitable manner and consistent with its obligations hereunder and under applicable law.

In addition to the foregoing and subject to the provisions of Section 2 and the limitations of Section 5, the objective of obtaining best prices and execution and to the extent permitted by applicable law, the Servicer may, on behalf of the Issuer, direct the Trustee to acquire any and all of the Eligible Investments or other Collateral from, or sell Collateral Obligations or other Collateral to, the Placement Agents, the Trustee or any of their respective Affiliates, or any other firm.

### 4. Additional Activities of the Servicer.

Nothing herein shall prevent the Servicer or any of its Affiliates from engaging in other businesses, or from rendering services of any kind to the Trustee, the Holders of the Securities, or any other Person or entity to the extent permitted by applicable law. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, the Servicer and partners, directors, officers, employees and agents of the Servicer or its Affiliates may, among other things, and subject to any limits specified in the Indenture:

(a) serve as directors (whether supervisory or managing), officers, partners, employees, agents, nominees or signatories for any issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates, to the extent permitted by their Governing Instruments, as from time to time amended, or by any resolutions duly adopted by the Issuer, its Affiliates or any issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates, pursuant to their respective Governing Instruments; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on any item of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Collateral Quality Test; provided, further, that nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to limit the duties of the Servicer set forth in Section 2 hereof;

(b) receive fees for services of any nature rendered to the issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on any item of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Collateral Quality Test; and provided, further that if any portion of such services are related to the purchase by the Issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral, the portion of such fees relating to such obligations shall be applied to the purchase price of such obligations; and



(c) be a secured or unsecured creditor of, or hold an equity interest in, the Issuer, its Affiliates or any issuer of any obligation included in the Collateral; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on any item of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Collateral Quality Test; provided, further, that nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to limit the duties of the Servicer set forth in Section 2 hereof.

It is understood that the Servicer and any of its Affiliates may engage in any other business and furnish servicing, investment management and advisory services to others, including Persons which may have policies similar to those followed by the Servicer with respect to the Collateral and which may own securities of the same class, or which are the same type, as the Collateral Obligations or other securities of the issuers of Collateral Obligations. The Servicer shall be free, in its sole discretion, to make recommendations to others, or effect transactions on behalf of itself or for others, which may be the same as or different from those effected with respect to the Collateral.

Unless the Servicer determines in its reasonable judgment that such purchase or sale is appropriate, the Servicer may refrain from directing the purchase or sale hereunder of securities issued by (i) Persons of which the Servicer, its Affiliates or any of its or their officers, directors or employees are directors or officers, (ii) Persons for which the Servicer or its Affiliate act as financial adviser or underwriter or (iii) Persons about which the Servicer or any of its Affiliates have information which the Servicer deems confidential or non-public or otherwise might prohibit it from trading such securities in accordance with applicable law. The Servicer shall not be obligated to pursue any particular strategy or opportunity with respect to the Collateral.

#### 5. Conflicts of Interest.

(a) The Servicer shall not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Servicer such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Servicer, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the Advisers Act.

(b) The Servicer shall not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Servicer, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Advisers Act.

(c) The Servicer shall not undertake any transaction described in this Section 5 unless such transaction is exempt from the prohibited transaction rules of ERISA and the Code. In addition, after the initial distribution of the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares, neither the Servicer nor any of its affiliates (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) shall acquire any Class D Notes or Preference Shares (including pursuant to the Extension Procedure or the Amendment Buy-Out Option) unless such acquisition would not, as determined by the Trustee in reliance on representations made in the applicable transfer certificates or other investor agreement with respect thereto or deemed made by holders thereof, result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of any of the Class D Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or



the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such acquisition (determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA, the Plan Asset Regulation, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents). The Class D Notes and the Preference Shares held as principal by the Servicer or any of its affiliates shall be disregarded and shall not be treated as outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% limitation to the extent that such person has represented that it is not a Benefit Plan Investor.

6. Records; Confidentiality.

The Servicer shall maintain appropriate books of account and records relating to services performed hereunder, and such books of account and records shall be accessible for inspection by a representative of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Holders of the Securities and the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to the Indenture at a mutually agreed time during normal business hours and upon not less than three Business Days' prior notice. At no time shall the Servicer make a public announcement concerning the issuance of the Notes or the Preference Shares, the Servicer's role hereunder or any other aspect of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the Indenture. The Servicer shall keep confidential any and all information obtained in connection with the services rendered hereunder and shall not disclose any such information to non-affiliated third parties except (i) with the prior written consent of the Issuer, (ii) such information as either Rating Agency shall reasonably request in connection with the rating of any class of Securities, (iii) as required by law, regulation, court order or the rules or regulations of any self regulating organization, body or official having jurisdiction over the Servicer, (iv) to its professional advisers, (v) such information as shall have been publicly disclosed other than in violation of this Agreement, or (vi) such information that was or is obtained by the Servicer on a non-confidential basis, provided, that the Servicer does not know or have reason to know of any breach by such source of any confidentiality obligations with respect thereto. For purposes of this Section 6, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator and the Holders of the Securities shall in no event be considered "non-affiliated third parties."

Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement or the Indenture to the contrary, the Servicer, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Holders of the Securities (and the beneficial owners thereof) (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) may disclose to any and all Persons, without limitation of any kind, the U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to them relating to such U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure, as such terms are defined under U.S. federal, state or local tax law.

7. Obligations of Servicer.

Unless otherwise specifically required by any provision of the Indenture or this Agreement or by applicable law, the Servicer shall use its best reasonable efforts to ensure that no action is taken by it, and shall not intentionally or with reckless disregard take any action, which would (a) materially adversely affect the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for purposes of Cayman Islands law, United States federal or state law or any other law known to the Servicer to be applicable to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, (b) not be permitted under the Issuer's or the Co-Issuer's respective governing instruments, (c) violate any law, rule or regulation of any governmental body or agency having jurisdiction over the Issuer or the Co-Issuer including, without limitation, any Cayman Islands or United States federal, state or other applicable securities law the violation of which has or could reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any of the Collateral, (d) require registration of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the pool of Collateral as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act, (e) cause the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to violate the terms of the Indenture, including, without limitation, any representations made by the Issuer or Co-Issuer therein, or any other agreement contemplated by the Indenture or (f) would subject the Issuer to U.S. federal or state net income or

franchise taxation. The Servicer covenants that it shall comply in all material respects with all laws and regulations applicable to it in connection with the performance of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, the Servicer shall not be required to take any action under this Agreement or the Indenture if such action would violate any applicable law, rule, regulation or court order.

8. Compensation.

(a) The Issuer shall pay to the Servicer, for services rendered and performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Servicing Fee, which shall be payable in such amounts and at such times as set forth in the Indenture. The provisions of the Indenture which relate to the amount and payment of the Servicing Fee shall not be amended without the written consent of the Servicer. If on any Payment Date there are insufficient funds to pay the Servicing Fee (and/or any other amounts due and payable to the Servicer) in full, the amount not so paid shall be deferred and shall be payable with accrued interest on such later Payment Date on which funds are available therefor as provided in the Indenture.

The Servicer hereby agrees to waive the Class II Preference Share Portion of the Servicing Fees deposited by the Trustee into the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account pursuant to the Indenture, which would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as Servicing Fees, on each Payment Date until the Payment Date in February 2008. After the Payment Date in February 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive the Class II Preference Share Portion of its Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Issuer as Class II Preference Share Special Payments pursuant to the Indenture. For purposes of any calculation under this Agreement and the Indenture, the Servicer shall be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

In addition, notwithstanding anything set out above, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion: (i) waive all or any portion of the Servicing Fee, any funds representing the waived Servicing Fees to be retained in the Collection Account for distribution as either Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds (as determined by the Servicer) pursuant to the Priority of Payments; or (ii) defer all or any portion of the Servicing Fee, any funds representing the deferred Servicing Fees to be retained in the Collection Account, when they will become payable in the same manner and priority as their original characterization would have required unless deferred again.

(b) The Servicer shall be responsible for the ordinary expenses incurred in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement and the Indenture; provided, however, that any extraordinary expenses actually incurred by the Servicer in the performance of such obligations (including, but not limited to, any fees, expenses or other amounts payable to the Rating Agencies, the Collateral Administrator, the Trustee and the accountants appointed by the Issuer, the reasonable expenses incurred by the Servicer to employ outside lawyers or consultants reasonably necessary in connection with the evaluation, transfer or restructuring of any Collateral Obligations or other unusual matters arising in the performance of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture, any reasonable expenses incurred by the Servicer in obtaining advice from outside counsel with respect to its obligations under this Agreement, brokerage commissions, transfer fees, registration costs, taxes and other similar costs and transaction related expenses and fees arising out of transactions effected for the Issuer's account and the portion allocated to the Issuer of any other fees and expenses that the Servicer customarily allocates among all of the funds or portfolios that it services or manages, including reasonable expenses incurred with respect to any compliance requirements, including, but not limited to, compliance with the

requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, related solely to the ownership or holding of any Securities by HFP or its Affiliates) shall be reimbursed by the Issuer to the extent funds are available therefor in accordance with and subject to the priority of payments and the other limitations contained in the Indenture.

(c) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 12, Section 14 or otherwise, the fees payable to the Servicer shall be prorated for any partial periods between Payment Dates during which this Agreement was in effect and shall be due and payable on the first Payment Date following the date of such termination and on any subsequent Payment Dates to the extent remaining unpaid and in accordance with, and to the extent provided in, the Indenture.

9. Benefit of the Agreement.

The Servicer agrees that its obligations hereunder shall be enforceable at the instance of the Issuer, the Trustee, on behalf of the Noteholders, or the requisite percentage of Noteholders or the Holders of the Preference Shares, as applicable, as provided in the Indenture or the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement, as applicable.

10. Limits of Servicer Responsibility; Indemnification.

(a) The Servicer assumes no responsibility under this Agreement other than to render the services called for hereunder and under the terms of the Indenture made applicable to it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement in good faith and, subject to the standard of liability described in the next sentence, shall not be responsible for any action of the Issuer or the Trustee in following or declining to follow any advice, recommendation or direction of the Servicer. The Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, and its Affiliates and their directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, shall not be liable to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person, for any losses, claims, damages, judgments, assessments, costs or other liabilities (collectively, "Liabilities") incurred by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person, that arise out of or in connection with the performance by the Servicer of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture, except by reason of (i) acts or omissions constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, gross negligence or breach of fiduciary duty in the performance, or reckless disregard, of the obligations of the Servicer hereunder and under the Indenture or (ii) with respect to any information included in the Offering Memorandum in the sections entitled "The Servicer" and "Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer" and information in the Offering Memorandum relating to the Servicer Letter Disclosure that contain any untrue statement of material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) collectively being the "Servicer Breaches"). For the avoidance of doubt, the Servicer shall have no duty to independently investigate any laws not otherwise known to it in connection with its obligations under this Agreement and the Indenture. The Servicer shall be liable for any non-waivable breaches of applicable securities laws. The Servicer shall be deemed to have satisfied Section 7(f) and the requirements of the Indenture and this Agreement relating to not causing the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes (including as those requirements relate to the acquisition (including manner of acquisition), ownership, enforcement, and disposition of Collateral) to the extent (i) the Servicer acts consistently with the Collateral Acquisition Agreement with respect to Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments and (ii) the Servicer does not have actual knowledge that its actions with respect to a Collateral Obligation or an Eligible Investment would violate Section 7(f).

(b) The Issuer shall indemnify and hold harmless (the Issuer in such case, the “Indemnifying Party”) the Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees (such parties collectively in such case, the “Indemnified Parties”) from and against any and all Liabilities, and shall reimburse each such Indemnified Party for all reasonable fees and expenses (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) (collectively, the “Expenses”) as such Expenses are incurred in investigating, preparing, pursuing or defending any claim, action, proceeding or investigation with respect to any pending or threatened litigation (collectively, the “Actions”), caused by, or arising out of or in connection with, the issuance of the Securities, the transactions contemplated by the Offering Memorandum, the Indenture or this Agreement, and/or any action taken by, or any failure to act by, such Indemnified Party; provided, however, that no Indemnified Party shall be indemnified for any Liabilities or Expenses it incurs as a result of any acts or omissions by any Indemnified Party constituting Servicer Breaches. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the obligations of the Issuer under this Section 10 shall be payable solely out of the Collateral in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Indenture and shall survive termination of this Agreement.

(c) With respect to any claim made or threatened against an Indemnified Party, or compulsory process or request or other notice of any loss, claim, damage or liability served upon an Indemnified Party, for which such Indemnified Party is or may be entitled to indemnification under this Section 10, such Indemnified Party shall (or with respect to Indemnified Parties that are directors, officers, stockholders, agents or employees of the Servicer, the Servicer shall cause such Indemnified Party to):

(i) give written notice to the Indemnifying Party of such claim within ten (10) days after such Indemnified Party’s receipt of actual notice that such claim is made or threatened, which notice to the Indemnifying Party shall specify in reasonable detail the nature of the claim and the amount (or an estimate of the amount) of the claim; provided, however, that the failure of any Indemnified Party to provide such notice to the Indemnifying Party shall not relieve the Indemnifying Party of its obligations under this Section 10 unless the Indemnifying Party is materially prejudiced or otherwise forfeits rights or defenses by reason of such failure;

(ii) at the Indemnifying Party’s expense, provide the Indemnifying Party such information and cooperation with respect to such claim as the Indemnifying Party may reasonably require, including, but not limited to, making appropriate personnel available to the Indemnifying Party at such reasonable times as the Indemnifying Party may request;

(iii) at the Indemnifying Party’s expense, cooperate and take all such steps as the Indemnifying Party may reasonably request to preserve and protect any defense to such claim;

(iv) in the event suit is brought with respect to such claim, upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Indemnifying Party the right, which the Indemnifying Party may exercise in its sole discretion and at its expense, to participate in the investigation, defense and settlement of such claim;

(v) neither incur any material expense to defend against nor release or settle any such claim or make any admission with respect thereto (other than routine or incontestable admissions or factual admissions the failure to make which would expose such Indemnified Party to unindemnified liability) nor permit a default or consent to the

entry of any judgment in respect thereof, in each case without the prior written consent of the Indemnifying Party; and

(vi) upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Indemnifying Party the right, in its sole discretion and at its sole expense, to assume the defense of such claim, including, but not limited to, the right to designate counsel reasonably acceptable to the Indemnified Party and to control all negotiations, litigation, arbitration, settlements, compromises and appeals of such claim; provided, that if the Indemnifying Party assumes the defense of such claim, it shall not be liable for any fees and expenses of counsel for any Indemnified Party incurred thereafter in connection with such claim except that if such Indemnified Party reasonably determines that counsel designated by the Indemnifying Party has a conflict of interest in connection with its representation of such Indemnified Party, such Indemnifying Party shall pay the reasonable fees and disbursements of one counsel (in addition to any local counsel) separate from its own counsel for all Indemnified Parties in connection with any one action or separate but similar or related actions in the same jurisdiction arising out of the same general allegations or circumstances; provided, further, that prior to entering into any final settlement or compromise, such Indemnifying Party shall seek the consent of the Indemnified Party and use its commercially reasonable efforts in the light of the then prevailing circumstances (including, without limitation, any express or implied time constraint on any pending settlement offer) to obtain the consent of such Indemnified Party as to the terms of settlement or compromise. If an Indemnified Party does not consent to the settlement or compromise within a reasonable time under the circumstances, the Indemnifying Party shall not thereafter be obligated to indemnify the Indemnified Party for any amount in excess of such proposed settlement or compromise.

(d) In the event that any Indemnified Party waives its right to indemnification hereunder, the Indemnifying Party shall not be entitled to appoint counsel to represent such Indemnified Party nor shall the Indemnifying Party reimburse such Indemnified Party for any costs of counsel to such Indemnified Party.

(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, nothing herein shall in any way constitute a waiver or limitation of any rights which the Issuer or the Holders of the Securities may have under any U.S. federal securities laws.

#### 11. No Partnership or Joint Venture.

The Issuer and the Servicer are not partners or joint venturers with each other and nothing herein shall be construed to make them such partners or joint venturers or impose any liability as such on either of them. The Servicer's relation to the Issuer shall be deemed to be that of an independent contractor.

#### 12. Term; Termination.

(a) This Agreement shall commence as of the date first set forth above and shall continue in force and effect until the first of the following occurs: (i) the payment in full of the Notes, the termination of the Indenture in accordance with its terms and the redemption in full of the Preference Shares; (ii) the liquidation of the Collateral and the final distribution of the proceeds of such liquidation to the Holders of the Securities; or (iii) the termination of this Agreement in accordance with subsection (b), (c), (d) or (e) of this Section 12 or Section 14 of this Agreement.



(b) Subject to Section 12(e) below, the Servicer may resign, upon 90 days' written notice to the Issuer (or such shorter notice as is acceptable to the Issuer). If the Servicer resigns, the Issuer agrees to appoint a successor Servicer to assume such duties and obligations in accordance with Section 12(e).

(c) This Agreement shall be automatically terminated in the event that the Issuer determines in good faith that the Issuer or the pool of Collateral has become required to be registered under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, and the Issuer notifies the Servicer thereof.

(d) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to this Section 12, neither party shall have any further liability or obligation to the other, except as provided in Sections 2(c)(i), 8, 10 and 15 of this Agreement.

(e) No removal or resignation of the Servicer shall be effective unless:

(i) (A) the Issuer appoints a successor Servicer at the written direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by the retiring Servicer, any of its Affiliates or any account over which the retiring Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (or, with respect to Class I Preference Shares held by Investors Corp. at such time, Holding Preference Shares held by the retiring Servicer, any of its Affiliates or any account over which the retiring Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority) other than, with respect to the Class II Preference Shares, HFP; provided that, with respect to the voting authority of Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP and certified in writing to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP) (each such non-excluded Preference Share, a "Voting Preference Share"), (B) such successor Servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the retiring Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer, its Affiliates or any account over which the retiring Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority other than HFP; provided that, with respect to the voting authority of Notes owned by HFP, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP and certified in writing to the Trustee by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP) (each such non-excluded Note, a "Voting Note") or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single class);

(ii) if a majority of the Voting Preference Shares has nominated two or more successor Servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) or has failed to appoint a successor Servicer that has not been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) within 60 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer, (A) the Issuer appoints a successor Servicer at the written direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes), (B) such successor Servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the retiring Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of

such succession by either (x) Majority of the Voting Preference Shares or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single class); or

(iii) if a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and a Super Majority of the Controlling Class (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) has nominated two or more successor Servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clauses (i)(C) and (ii)(C) or has otherwise failed to appoint a successor Servicer that has not been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) or (ii) (C) within 120 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer, (A) any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes), any Holder of Voting Preference Shares or the Trustee petitions a court of competent authority to appoint a successor Servicer, (B) such court appoints a successor Servicer and (C) such successor Servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the retiring Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture.

In addition, any successor Servicer must be an established institution which (i) has demonstrated an ability to professionally and competently perform duties similar to those imposed upon the Servicer hereunder, (ii) is legally qualified and has the capacity to act as Servicer hereunder, as successor to the Servicer under this Agreement in the assumption of all of the responsibilities, duties and obligations of the Servicer hereunder and under the applicable terms of the Indenture, (iii) shall not cause the Issuer or the pool of Collateral to become required to register under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, (iv) shall perform its duties as Servicer under this Agreement and the Indenture without causing the Issuer, the Co Issuer or any Holder of Preference Shares to become subject to tax in any jurisdiction where such successor Servicer is established as doing business and (v) each Rating Agency has confirmed that the appointment of such successor Servicer shall not cause its then current rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn. No compensation payable to a successor Servicer from payments on the Collateral shall be greater than that paid to the retiring Servicer without the prior written consent of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes, a Majority of the Noteholders and a Majority of the Preference Shares. The Issuer, the Trustee and the successor Servicer shall take such action (or cause the retiring Servicer to take such action) consistent with this Agreement and the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer, as shall be necessary to effectuate any such succession.

(f) In the event of removal of the Servicer pursuant to this Agreement, the Issuer shall have all of the rights and remedies available with respect thereto at law or equity, and, without limiting the foregoing, the Issuer or, to the extent so provided in the Indenture, the Trustee may by notice in writing to the Servicer as provided under this Agreement terminate all the rights and obligations of the Servicer under this Agreement (except those that survive termination pursuant to Section 12(d) above). Upon expiration of the applicable notice period with respect to termination specified in this Section 12 or Section 14 of this Agreement, as applicable, all authority and power of the Servicer under this Agreement, whether with respect to the Collateral or otherwise, shall automatically and without further action by any person or entity pass to and be vested in the successor Servicer upon the appointment thereof.

### 13. Delegation; Assignments.

This Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Servicer hereunder, shall not be delegated by the Servicer, in whole or in part, except to any entity that (i) is controlled by any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers and (ii) is one in which any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers is involved in the day to day management and operations (and in any such case pursuant to an instrument of delegation in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer), without the prior written consent of the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and, notwithstanding any such consent,

no delegation of obligations or duties by the Servicer (including, without limitation, to an entity described above) shall relieve the Servicer from any liability hereunder.

Subject to Section 12, any assignment of this Agreement to any Person, in whole or in part, by the Servicer shall be deemed null and void unless (i) such assignment is consented to in writing by the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and (ii) the Rating Agency Confirmation is satisfied with respect to any such assignment. Any assignment consented to by the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares shall bind the assignee hereunder in the same manner as the Servicer is bound. In addition, the assignee shall execute and deliver to the Issuer and the Trustee a counterpart of this Agreement naming such assignee as Servicer. Upon the execution and delivery of such a counterpart by the assignee and consent thereto by the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares, the Servicer shall be released from further obligations pursuant to this Agreement, except with respect to its obligations arising under Section 10 of this Agreement prior to such assignment and except with respect to its obligations under Sections 2(c)(i) and 15 hereof. This Agreement shall not be assigned by the Issuer without the prior written consent of the Servicer and the Trustee, except in the case of assignment by the Issuer to (i) an entity which is a successor to the Issuer permitted under the Indenture, in which case such successor organization shall be bound hereunder and by the terms of said assignment in the same manner as the Issuer is bound thereunder or (ii) the Trustee as contemplated by the Indenture. In the event of any assignment by the Issuer, the Issuer shall cause its successor to execute and deliver to the Servicer such documents as the Servicer shall consider reasonably necessary to effect fully such assignment. The Servicer hereby consents to the matters set forth in Article 15 of the Indenture.

#### 14. Termination by the Issuer for Cause.

Subject to Section 12(e) above, this Agreement shall be terminated and the Servicer shall be removed by the Issuer for cause upon 10 days' prior written notice to the Servicer and upon written notice to the Holders of the Securities as set forth below, but only if directed to do so by (1) the Trustee, acting at the direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) or (2) the Holders of a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares. For purposes of determining "cause" with respect to any such termination of this Agreement, such term shall mean any one of the following events:

(a) the Servicer willfully breaches in any respect, or takes any action that it knows violates in any respect, any provision of this Agreement or any terms of the Indenture applicable to it;

(b) the Servicer breaches in any material respect any provision of this Agreement or any terms of the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement applicable to it, or any representation, warranty, certification or statement given in writing by the Servicer shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or given, and the Servicer fails to cure such breach or take such action so that the facts (after giving effect to such action) conform in all material respects to such representation, warranty, certificate or statement, in each case within 30 days of becoming aware of, or receiving notice from, the Trustee of, such breach or materially incorrect representation, warranty, certificate or statement;

(c) the Servicer is wound up or dissolved (other than a dissolution in which the remaining members elect to continue the business of the Servicer in accordance with its Governing Instruments) or there is appointed over it or a substantial portion of its assets a receiver, administrator,



administrative receiver, trustee or similar officer, or the Servicer (i) ceases to be able to, or admits in writing its inability to, pay its debts as they become due and payable, or makes a general assignment for the benefit of or enters into any composition or arrangement with, its creditors generally; (ii) applies for or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, assignee, custodian, liquidator or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Servicer or of any substantial part of its properties or assets, or authorizes such an application or consent, or proceedings seeking such appointment are commenced without such authorization, consent or application against the Servicer and continue undismissed for 60 days; (iii) authorizes or files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, or applies for or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the application of any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, readjustment of debt, insolvency or dissolution, or authorizes such application or consent, or proceedings to such end are instituted against the Servicer without such authorization, application or consent and are approved as properly instituted and remain undismissed for 60 days or result in adjudication of bankruptcy or insolvency; or (iv) permits or suffers all or any substantial part of its properties or assets to be sequestered or attached by court order and the order remains undismissed for 60 days;

(d) the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture that results from any breach by the Servicer of its duties under the Indenture or this Agreement, which breach or default is not cured within any applicable cure period; or

(e) (x) the occurrence of an act by the Servicer related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business that constitutes fraud, (y) the Servicer being indicted, or any of its principals being convicted, of a felony criminal offense related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business or (z) the Servicer being indicted for, adjudged liable in a civil suit for, or convicted of a violation of the Securities Act or any other United States Federal securities law or any rules or regulations thereunder.

If any of the events specified in this Section 14 shall occur, the Servicer shall give prompt written notice thereof to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Holders of all outstanding Notes and Preference Shares upon the Servicer's becoming aware of the occurrence of such event.

#### 15. Action Upon Termination.

(a) From and after the effective date of termination of this Agreement, the Servicer shall not be entitled to compensation for further services hereunder, but shall be paid all compensation accrued to the date of termination, as provided in Section 8 hereof, and shall be entitled to receive any amounts owing under Section 10 hereof. Upon the effective date of termination of this Agreement, the Servicer shall as soon as practicable:

(i) deliver to the Issuer all property and documents of the Trustee or the Issuer or otherwise relating to the Collateral then in the custody of the Servicer; and

(ii) deliver to the Trustee an accounting with respect to the books and records delivered to the Trustee or the successor Servicer appointed pursuant to Section 12(e) hereof.

Notwithstanding such termination, the Servicer shall remain liable to the extent set forth herein (but subject to Section 10 hereof) for its acts or omissions hereunder arising prior to termination and for any expenses, losses, damages, liabilities, demands, charges and claims (including reasonable attorneys' fees) in respect of or arising out of a breach of the representations and warranties made by the

Servicer in Section 16(b) hereof or from any failure of the Servicer to comply with the provisions of this Section 15.

(b) The Servicer agrees that, notwithstanding any termination of this Agreement, it shall reasonably cooperate in any Proceeding arising in connection with this Agreement, the Indenture or any of the Collateral (excluding any such Proceeding in which claims are asserted against the Servicer or any Affiliate of the Servicer) upon receipt of appropriate indemnification and expense reimbursement.

16. Representations and Warranties.

(a) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants to the Servicer as follows:

(i) The Issuer has been duly registered and is validly existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands, has full power and authority to own its assets and the securities proposed to be owned by it and included in the Collateral and to transact the business in which it is presently engaged and is duly qualified under the laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Indenture or the Securities would require, such qualification, except for failures to be so qualified, authorized or licensed that would not in the aggregate have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Issuer.

(ii) The Issuer has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement, the Indenture and the Securities and all obligations required hereunder and thereunder and has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement, the Indenture and the Securities on the terms and conditions hereof and thereof and the execution by the Issuer, delivery and performance of this Agreement, the Indenture and the Securities and the performance of all obligations imposed upon it hereunder and thereunder. No consent of any other person including, without limitation, shareholders and creditors of the Issuer, and no license, permit, approval or authorization of, exemption by, notice or report to, or registration, filing or declaration with, any governmental authority, other than those that may be required under state securities or "blue sky" laws and those that have been or shall be obtained in connection with the Indenture and the Securities is required by the Issuer in connection with this Agreement, the Indenture and the Securities or the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Agreement, the Indenture and the Securities or the obligations imposed upon it hereunder or thereunder. This Agreement constitutes, and each instrument or document required hereunder, when executed and delivered hereunder, shall constitute, the legally valid and binding obligation of the Issuer enforceable against the Issuer in accordance with its terms, subject to (a) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights and (b) general equitable principles.

(iii) The execution by the Issuer, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the documents and instruments required hereunder shall not violate any provision of any existing law or regulation binding on the Issuer, or any order, judgment, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or governmental authority binding on the Issuer, or the Governing Instruments of, or any securities issued by, the Issuer or of any mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking to which the Issuer is a party or by which the Issuer or any of its assets may be bound, the

violation of which would have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Issuer, and shall not result in or require the creation or imposition of any lien on any of its property, assets or revenues pursuant to the provisions of any such mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking (other than the lien of the Indenture).

(iv) The Issuer is not in violation of its Governing Instruments or in breach or violation of or in default under the Indenture or any contract or agreement to which it is a party or by which it or any of its assets may be bound, or any applicable statute or any rule, regulation or order of any court, government agency or body having jurisdiction over the Issuer or its properties, the breach or violation of which or default under which would have a material adverse effect on the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the performance by the Issuer of its duties hereunder.

(v) True and complete copies of the Indenture and the Issuer's Governing Instruments have been delivered to the Servicer.

The Issuer agrees to deliver a true and complete copy of each amendment to the documents referred to in Section 16(a)(v) above to the Servicer as promptly as practicable after its adoption or execution.

(b) The Servicer hereby represents and warrants to the Issuer as follows:

(i) The Servicer is a limited partnership duly organized and validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware, has full power and authority to own its assets and to transact the business in which it is currently engaged and is duly qualified and in good standing under the laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of this Agreement would require such qualification, except for those jurisdictions in which the failure to be so qualified, authorized or licensed would not have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Servicer or on the ability of the Servicer to perform its obligations under, or on the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement and the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer.

(ii) The Servicer has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement and all obligations required hereunder and under the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer, and has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement on the terms and conditions hereof and the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and all obligations required hereunder and under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer. No consent of any other person, including, without limitation, creditors of the Servicer, and no license, permit, approval or authorization of, exemption by, notice or report to, or registration, filing or declaration with, any governmental authority is required by the Servicer in connection with this Agreement or the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the obligations required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer. This Agreement has been, and each instrument and document required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer shall be, executed and delivered by a duly authorized partner of the Servicer, and this Agreement constitutes, and each instrument and document required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer when executed and delivered by the Servicer

hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer shall constitute, the valid and legally binding obligations of the Servicer enforceable against the Servicer in accordance with their terms, subject to (a) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights and (b) general equitable principles.

(iii) The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer and the documents and instruments required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer shall not violate or conflict with any provision of any existing law or regulation binding on or applicable to the Servicer, or any order, judgment, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or governmental authority binding on the Servicer, or the Governing Instruments of, or any securities issued by the Servicer or of any mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking to which the Servicer is a party or by which the Servicer or any of its assets may be bound, the violation of which would have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Servicer or its ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement and the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer, and shall not result in or require the creation or imposition of any lien on any of its material property, assets or revenues pursuant to the provisions of any such mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking.

(iv) There is no charge, investigation, action, suit or proceeding before or by any court pending or, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, threatened that, if determined adversely to the Servicer, would have a material adverse effect upon the performance by the Servicer of its duties under, or on the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement and the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer.

(v) The Servicer is a registered investment adviser under the Advisers Act.

(vi) The Servicer is not in violation of its Governing Instruments or in breach or violation of or in default under any contract or agreement to which it is a party or by which it or any of its property may be bound, or any applicable statute or any rule, regulation or order of any court, government agency or body having jurisdiction over the Servicer or its properties, the breach or violation of which or default under which would have a material adverse effect on the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer, or the performance by the Servicer of its duties hereunder.

17. Notices.

Unless expressly provided otherwise herein, all notices, requests, demands and other communications required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing (including by telecopy) and shall be deemed to have been duly given, made and received when delivered against receipt or upon actual receipt of registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, or, in the case of telecopy notice, when received in legible form, addressed as set forth below:

(a) If to the Issuer:

Eastland CLO Ltd.  
c/o Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited  
P.O. Box 1093GT  
Queensgate House  
South Church Street  
George Town, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, Cayman Islands  
Telephone: (345) 945-6264  
Telecopy: (345) 945-6265  
Attention: The Directors

(b) If to the Servicer:

Highland Capital Management, L.P.  
Two Galleria Tower  
13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300  
Dallas, Texas 75240  
Telephone: (972) 628-4100  
Telecopy: (972) 628-4147  
Attention: James Dondero

(c) If to the Trustee:

Investors Bank & Trust Company  
200 Claredon Street  
Mailcode: EUC-108  
Boston, Massachusetts 02116  
Telecopy: (617)351-4358  
Attention: CDO Services Group

(d) If to the Noteholders:

In accordance with Section 14.4 of the Indenture, at their respective addresses set forth on the Note Register.

(e) If to the Holders of the Preference Shares:

In accordance with Section 14.4 of the Indenture, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent at the address identified therein.

(f) if to the Rating Agencies:

In accordance with Section 14.3 of the Indenture, to the rating Agencies at the address identified therein.

Any party may alter the address or telecopy number to which communications or copies are to be sent by giving notice of such change of address in conformity with the provisions of this Section 17 for the giving of notice.

18. Binding Nature of Agreement; Successors and Assigns.

This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns as provided herein. The Servicer hereby consents to the collateral assignment of this Agreement as provided in the Indenture and further agrees that the Trustee may enforce the Servicer's obligations hereunder.

19. Entire Agreement.

This Agreement contains the entire agreement and understanding among the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements, understandings, inducements and conditions, express or implied, oral or written, of any nature whatsoever with respect to the subject matter hereof. The express terms hereof control and supersede any course of performance and/or usage of the trade inconsistent with any of the terms hereof. This Agreement may not be modified or amended other than by an agreement in writing executed by the parties hereto and in accordance with the terms of Section 15.1(h) of the Indenture.

20. Conflict with the Indenture.

Subject to the last two sentences of Section 2(a)(i), in the event that this Agreement requires any action to be taken with respect to any matter and the Indenture requires that a different action be taken with respect to such matter, and such actions are mutually exclusive, the provisions of the Indenture in respect thereof shall control.

21. Priority of Payments.

The Servicer agrees that the payment of all amounts to which it is entitled pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture shall be due and payable only in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Indenture and only to the extent funds are available for such payments in accordance with such priorities.

22. Governing Law.

**THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS PROVISIONS THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION.**

23. Indulgences Not Waivers.

Neither the failure nor any delay on the part of any party hereto to exercise any right, remedy, power or privilege under this Agreement shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power or privilege preclude any other or further exercise of the same or of any other right, remedy, power or privilege, nor shall any waiver of any right, remedy, power or privilege with respect to any occurrence be construed as a waiver of such right, remedy, power or privilege with respect to any other occurrence. No waiver shall be effective unless it is in writing and is signed by the party asserted to have granted such waiver.

24. Costs and Expenses.

Except as may otherwise be agreed in writing, the costs and expenses (including the fees and disbursements of counsel and accountants) incurred by each party in connection with the negotiation and preparation of and the execution of this Agreement, and all matters incident thereto, shall be borne by such party.

25. Titles Not to Affect Interpretation.

The titles of paragraphs and subparagraphs contained in this Agreement are for convenience only, and they neither form a part of this Agreement nor are they to be used in the construction or interpretation hereof.

26. Execution in Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts by facsimile or other written form of communication, each of which shall be deemed to be an original as against any party whose signature appears thereon, and all of which shall together constitute one and the same instrument. This Agreement shall become binding when one or more counterparts hereof, individually or taken together, shall bear the signatures of all of the parties reflected hereon as the signatories.

27. Provisions Separable.

In case any provision in this Agreement shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable as written, such provision shall be construed in the manner most closely resembling the apparent intent of the parties with respect to such provision so as to be valid, legal and enforceable; provided, however, that if there is no basis for such a construction, such provision shall be ineffective only to the extent of such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability and, unless the ineffectiveness of such provision destroys the basis of the bargain for one of the parties to this Agreement, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions hereof or thereof shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

28. Number and Gender.

Words used herein, regardless of the number and gender specifically used, shall be deemed and construed to include any other number, singular or plural, and any other gender, masculine, feminine or neuter, as the context requires.

29. Written Disclosure Statement.

The Issuer and the Trustee acknowledge receipt of Part II of the Servicer's Form ADV filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, as required by Rule 204-3 under the Advisers Act, more than 48 hours prior to the date of execution of this Agreement.

30. Miscellaneous.

(a) In the event that any vote is solicited with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall vote or refrain from voting any such security in any manner permitted by the Indenture that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities. In addition, with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, may instruct the trustee for such Defaulted Collateral Obligation to enforce the Issuer's rights under the Underlying Instruments governing such Defaulted



Collateral Obligation and any applicable law, rule or regulation in any manner permitted under the Indenture that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities. In the event any Offer is made with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, may take such action as is permitted by the Indenture and that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities.

(b) In connection with taking or omitting any action under the Indenture or this Agreement, the Servicer may consult with counsel and may rely in good faith on the advice of such counsel or any opinion of counsel.

Any corporation, partnership or limited liability company into which the Servicer may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any corporation, partnership or limited liability company resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Servicer shall be a party, or any corporation, partnership or limited liability company succeeding to all or substantially all of the servicing and collateral management business of the Servicer, shall be the successor to the Servicer without any further action by the Servicer, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Noteholders or any other person or entity.

31. Limitation of Liabilities.

The Issuer's obligations hereunder are solely the corporate obligations of the Issuer and the Servicer shall not have any recourse to any of the directors, officers, shareholders, members or incorporators of the Issuer with respect to any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations in connection with any transactions contemplated hereby, except for any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations caused by the gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct of such directors, officers, shareholders, members or incorporators of the Issuer. The obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be limited to the net proceeds of the Collateral, if any, as applied in accordance with the Priorities of Payments pursuant to the Indenture, and following realization of the Collateral and its application in accordance with the Indenture, any outstanding obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. The provisions of this section shall survive termination of this Agreement.

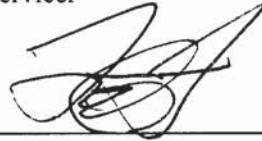
32. Consent to Posting of Documents on Repository.

The Servicer hereby consents to (i) the posting of the final Offering Memorandum, the Indenture and any Hedge Agreements (collectively, the "Documents") and the periodic reports to be delivered pursuant to the Documents and any amendments or other modifications thereto on the Repository (as such term is defined in the Indenture) for use in the manner provided in the Repository; and (ii) the display of its name on the Repository in connection therewith.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,  
as Servicer



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

Name:

Title:

Todd Travers  
Senior Portfolio Manager  
Highland Capital Management, L.P.

EASTLAND CLO LTD.,  
as Issuer

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

Name:

Title:

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,  
as Servicer

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

EASTLAND CLO, LTD.,  
as Issuer

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: SCOTT DAKERS  
Title: Director

## **EXHIBIT S**

## Offering Memorandum

# Gleneagles CLO, Ltd.

## Gleneagles CLO Corp.

U.S. \$620,000,000 Class A-1 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2017  
 U.S. \$28,000,000 Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2017  
 U.S. \$60,500,000 Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2017  
 U.S. \$51,000,000 Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2017  
 U.S. \$49,500,000 Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2017  
 91,000 Preference Shares  
 U.S.\$5,000,000 Class 1 Extendable Combination Securities Due 2017  
 U.S.\$20,000,000 Class 2 Combination Securities Due 2015

Gleneagles CLO, Ltd. (the "**Issuer**") and Gleneagles CLO Corp. (the "**Co-Issuer**" and, together with the Issuer, the "**Co-Issuers**") will issue the Class A-1 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the "**Class A-1 Notes**"), the Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the "**Class A-2 Notes**" and together with the Class A-1 Notes, the "**Class A Notes**"), the Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the "**Class B Notes**"), the Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes (the "**Class C Notes**"), and the Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes (the "**Class D Notes**" and, together with the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes, the "**Notes**"), and the Issuer will issue (i) the Class 1 Extendable Combination Securities (the "**Class 1 Combination Securities**") consisting of (A) a component entitling its holders to rights in respect of Preference Shares in an initial aggregate Face Amount equal to \$1,000,000 (the "**Class 1 Combination Security Preference Share Component**") and (B) a component representing an initial aggregate principal amount of Class C Notes equal to \$4,000,000 (the "**Class 1 Note Component**") and (ii) the Class 2 Combination Securities (the "**Class 2 Combination Securities**" and, together with the Class 1 Combination Securities, the "**Combination Securities**") consisting of (A) a component entitling its holders to rights in respect of Preference Shares in an initial aggregate Face Amount equal to \$7,600,000 (the "**Class 2 Combination Security Preference Share Component**" and, together with the Class 1 Combination Security Preference Share Component, the "**Preference Share Components**") and (B) a component entitling its holders to receive the payments from a trust account initially holding a \$20,000,000 principal-only zero coupon security issued by Banc of America Corporation maturing on October 30, 2015 (the "**Class 2 Bond**") (the "**Class 2 Component**") and (iii) the Preference Shares, U.S. \$0.01 par value per share (the "**Preference Shares**" and, together with the Notes and the Combination Securities, the "**Securities**"), in each case in the aggregate principal amounts or number of Preference Shares as described above. The Notes and the Combination Securities will be issued on or about October 13, 2005 (the "**Closing Date**") pursuant to an Indenture, dated as of October 13, 2005 (the "**Indenture**"), among the Co-Issuers and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as Trustee (the "**Trustee**"). The Preference Shares will be issued on or about the Closing Date pursuant to and subject to the terms of the Preference Share Documents. The Stated Maturity of the Notes, the Class 1 Combination Securities and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares are subject to multiple extensions to the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (in the case of the Notes and the Class 1 Combination Securities) and the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (in the case of the Preference Shares), if the Issuer provides timely notice and the Extension Conditions are satisfied as described herein. Although the Scheduled Preference Share Redemption Date of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 2 Combination Security Preference Share Component is subject to extension, the Stated Maturity of the Class 2 Combination Securities is not subject to extension.

The net proceeds of the offering of the Securities will be applied by the Issuer to repurchase participation interests in certain Collateral Obligations sold to finance the purchase of such Collateral Obligations prior to the Closing Date, to acquire the Class 2 Bond and to purchase additional Collateral Obligations on and after the Closing Date, all of which will be pledged under the Indenture by the Issuer to the Trustee for the benefit of the applicable secured parties named therein. See "Use of Proceeds." Highland Capital Management, L.P. will serve as portfolio manager for the Issuer's portfolio.

The Securities will be initially offered at 100% of their principal or face amount or at such other prices as may be negotiated at the time of sale.

**For a discussion of certain factors regarding the Issuer and the Securities that, among other things, should be considered by prospective purchasers of the Securities, see "Risk Factors."**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN, AND WILL NOT BE, REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "**SECURITIES ACT**") AND NEITHER THE ISSUER NOR THE CO-ISSUER WILL BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE "**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**"). THE SECURITIES WILL BE OFFERED AND SOLD TO NON-U.S. PERSONS (AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT ("**REGULATION S**")) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN RELIANCE ON REGULATION S. THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, U.S. PERSONS EXCEPT TO PERSONS THAT ARE (I) ACCREDITED INVESTORS AS DEFINED IN RULE 501(a) OF REGULATION D UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT (EACH, AN "**ACCREDITED INVESTOR**") IN RELIANCE ON THE EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS PROVIDED BY SECTION 4(2) OF THE SECURITIES ACT AND (II)(A) QUALIFIED PURCHASERS FOR PURPOSES OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT (EACH, A "**QUALIFIED PURCHASER**"), (B) SOLELY IN THE CASE OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES, KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEES (EACH, A "**KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEE**") (AS DEFINED IN RULE 3c-5 OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT) OR (C) AN ENTITY OWNED EXCLUSIVELY BY QUALIFIED PURCHASERS AND/OR, SOLELY IN THE CASE OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES, KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEES, AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANY OTHER APPLICABLE LAW. THE SECURITIES ARE NOT TRANSFERABLE EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS DESCRIBED UNDER "TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS."

The Securities are offered pursuant to the Placement Agency Agreement on a reasonable best efforts basis through Banc of America Securities LLC (the "**Placement Agent**"). The Placement Agent reserves the right to withdraw, cancel or modify such offer and to reject orders in whole or in part. It is a condition to issuance of any Securities that all of the Securities be issued concurrently. It is expected that the delivery of the Securities will be made on or about the Closing Date, in each case against payment therefor in immediately available funds. The Securities (other than the Securities represented by Certificated Securities) will be accepted for clearance through The Depository Trust Company, and through Euroclear and Clearstream on the Closing Date.

## Banc of America Securities LLC

The date of this Offering Memorandum is October 7, 2005

Payment of interest on, and principal of, the Notes will be made by the Issuer in U.S. Dollars on the first day of each February, May, August and November of each year (or if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day) (each such date a "**Payment Date**"), commencing February 1, 2006, to the extent of available cash flow in respect of the Collateral in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Each Class of Notes will bear interest at the per annum rates set forth under "Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities." The Preference Shares will receive as dividends certain amounts available for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments. See "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments."

The Notes will be subject to Optional Redemption in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period, in each case at the direction of the Holders of at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares or, upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, a Majority of the Controlling Class (but only if the Aggregate Principal Balance is less than 100% of the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes). The Notes will be subject to mandatory redemption on any Payment Date, to the extent that any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied, as described herein. The Notes will be subject to Special Redemption, at the discretion of the Portfolio Manager, to the extent that at any time during the Reinvestment Period, the Portfolio Manager cannot identify satisfactory Collateral Obligations for investment of Collection Account funds. After redemption in full of the Notes, the Preference Shares will be subject to Optional Redemption in whole or in part on any Payment Date by the Issuer at the direction of the Holders of the requisite percentage of the Preference Shares at the applicable Redemption Price pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted; *provided, however*, that the Preference Shares must be redeemed on or prior to the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. See "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption," "—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes," "—Special Redemption of Notes If the Portfolio Manager Does Not Identify Investments as Contemplated by the Indenture" and "—Priority of Payments." The principal amount of the Notes will be payable at the Stated Maturity unless redeemed or paid in full prior thereto. The Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed at their Redemption Price on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, unless redeemed prior thereto. Upon the occurrence of a redemption of the Preference Shares, in whole or in part, pursuant to the terms of the Indenture prior to the Class 2 Component Payment Date, the Class 2 Combination Securities shall remain Outstanding and shall have the benefits provided by the Indenture (including, without limitation, the provisions described under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Class 2 Component Distributions").

Certain pledged assets of the Issuer are the sole source of payments on the Securities. The Securities do not represent an interest in or obligations of, and are not insured or guaranteed by, the Holders of the Preference Shares, the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, any paying agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty or any of their respective Affiliates.

**Application will be made for the Securities to be admitted to the official list of the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange. However, there can be no assurance that the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange will in fact accept the listing of such Securities or, if accepted, that such listing will be maintained.**

Except as otherwise specified herein or as the context may otherwise require or dictate or unless the Combination Securities are explicitly addressed in the same context, (A) all references in this Offering Memorandum to the "Notes" include the "Class 1 Note Component" of the Class 1 Combination Securities, (B) all references in this Offering Memorandum to the rights of the Holders of the Class C Notes (including with respect to any payments, distributions, redemptions, votes or consents to be given by such Holders) include the rights of the Holders of the Class 1 Combination Securities to the extent of the Class 1 Note Component of the Class 1 Combination Securities, (C) all references in this Offering Memorandum to the "Preference Shares" include the "Preference Share Components" of the Class 1

Combination Securities and the Class 2 Combination Securities, as applicable, and (D) all references in this Offering Memorandum to the rights of the Holders of the Preference Shares (including with respect to any payments, distributions, redemptions, votes or consents to be given by such Holders) include the rights of the Holders of the Class 1 Combination Securities to the extent of the Class 1 Combination Security Preference Share Component and of the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities to the extent of the Class 2 Combination Security Preference Share Component.

The initial principal amount of the Class C Notes and Face Amount of the Preference Shares to which the Components of the Combination Securities relate, are included in (and are not in addition to) the initial principal amount of the Class C Notes and the Face Amount of the Preference Shares described herein.

It is a condition of the issuance of the Securities that (i) the Class A-1 Notes be rated at least "Aaa" by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("**Moody's**") and at least "AAA" by Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. ("**S&P**" and, together with Moody's, the "**Rating Agencies**"), (ii) the Class A-2 Notes be rated at least "Aaa" by Moody's and at least "AAA" by S&P, (iii) the Class B Notes be rated at least "Aa2" by Moody's and at least "AA" by S&P, (iv) the Class C Notes be rated at least "A2" by Moody's and at least "A" by S&P, (v) the Class D Notes be rated at least "Baa2" by Moody's and at least "BBB" by S&P, (vi) the Class 1 Combination Securities be rated at least "A2" by Moody's and (vii) the Class 2 Combination Securities be rated at least "Aa2" by Moody's. The Class 1 Combination Securities are rated only as to the ultimate payment of their Class 1 Combination Security Rated Balance and Class 1 Combination Security Rated Coupon and the Class 2 Combination Securities are rated only as to the ultimate payment of their Class 2 Combination Security Rated Balance. Each of the above ratings assume that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date. A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning Rating Agency. The Preference Shares will not be rated by any credit rating agency.

No person has been authorized to make or provide any representation or information regarding the Co-Issuers or the Securities other than as contained in this Offering Memorandum. Any such representation or information should not be relied upon as having been authorized by the Co-Issuers or the Placement Agent. The delivery of this Offering Memorandum at any time does not imply that the information contained in it is correct as of any time subsequent to the date of this Offering Memorandum. The Co-Issuers disclaim any obligation to update such information and do not intend to do so. Unless otherwise indicated, all information in this Offering Memorandum is given as of the date of this Offering Memorandum.

This Offering Memorandum has been prepared by the Co-Issuers solely for use in connection with the listing of the Securities and the offering of the Securities as described herein. This Offering Memorandum includes information given in compliance with the listing rules of the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange. With the exception of the information provided under the heading "Portfolio Manager," the Co-Issuers accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this Offering Memorandum and confirm, having made reasonable inquiry, that to the best of their knowledge and belief there are no facts the omission of which would make any statement within this Offering Memorandum misleading. The Cayman Islands Stock Exchange takes no responsibility for the contents of this Offering Memorandum, makes no representations as to its accuracy or completeness and expressly disclaims any liability whatsoever for any loss arising from or in reliance upon any part of this Offering Memorandum. The Co-Issuers accept responsibility accordingly.

The information appearing in the section entitled "The Portfolio Manager" has been prepared by the Portfolio Manager and has not been independently verified by the Placement Agent or the Co-Issuers. The Placement Agent and the Co-Issuers do not assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness,

or applicability of such information, except that the Co-Issuers assume responsibility for accurately reproducing such information in this Offering Memorandum.

Neither the Placement Agent nor (except with respect to the section entitled "The Portfolio Manager") the Portfolio Manager makes any representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the accuracy or completeness of the information in this Offering Memorandum. Each person receiving this Offering Memorandum acknowledges that such person has not relied on the Placement Agent or (except with respect to the section entitled "The Portfolio Manager") the Portfolio Manager or any person affiliated therewith, in connection with its investigation of the accuracy of such information or its investment decision. Each person contemplating making an investment in the Securities must make its own investigation and analysis of the creditworthiness of the Co-Issuers and its own determination of the suitability of any such investment, with particular reference to its own investment objectives and experience, and any other factors that may be relevant to it in connection with such investment.

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION OR OTHER REGULATORY AUTHORITY, AND NONE OF THE FOREGOING AUTHORITIES HAS CONFIRMED THE ACCURACY OR DETERMINED THE ADEQUACY OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

EACH PROSPECTIVE INVESTOR (AND EACH EMPLOYEE, REPRESENTATIVE, OR OTHER AGENT OF SUCH PROSPECTIVE INVESTOR) MAY DISCLOSE TO ANY AND ALL PERSONS, WITHOUT LIMITATIONS OF ANY KIND, THE TAX TREATMENT AND TAX STRUCTURE OF THE TRANSACTION AND ALL MATERIALS OF ANY KIND (INCLUDING OPINIONS OR OTHER TAX ANALYSES) THAT ARE PROVIDED TO THE PROSPECTIVE INVESTOR RELATING TO SUCH TAX TREATMENT AND TAX STRUCTURE. HOWEVER, ANY SUCH INFORMATION RELATING TO THE TAX TREATMENT OR TAX STRUCTURE IS REQUIRED TO BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL TO THE EXTENT REASONABLY NECESSARY TO COMPLY WITH APPLICABLE FEDERAL OR STATE SECURITIES LAWS. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE TERMS "TAX TREATMENT", "TAX STRUCTURE", AND "TAX ANALYSES" HAVE THE MEANING GIVEN TO SUCH TERMS UNDER UNITED STATES TREASURY REGULATION SECTION 1.6011-4(C) AND APPLICABLE STATE OR LOCAL LAW.

This Offering Memorandum contains summaries of certain documents. The summaries do not purport to be complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to such documents. Each person receiving this Offering Memorandum acknowledges that such person has been afforded an opportunity to request from the Issuer and to review, and has received, all additional information considered by such person to be necessary to verify the accuracy and completeness of the information herein. Requests and inquiries regarding this Offering Memorandum or such documents should be directed to the Issuer, in care of Banc of America Securities LLC, 9 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street, New York, New York, 10019, Attention: Structured Securities Group.

The Securities are a new issue of securities. There can be no assurance that a secondary market for any of the Securities will develop, or if a secondary market does develop, that it will provide the holders of such Securities with liquidity of investment or that it will continue. Accordingly, investors should be prepared to bear the risks of holding the Securities until final payment is made thereon.

THE CONTENTS OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM ARE NOT TO BE CONSTRUED AS ACCOUNTING, LEGAL, BUSINESS OR TAX ADVICE. EACH PROSPECTIVE INVESTOR SHOULD CONSULT ITS OWN ACCOUNTANT, ATTORNEY, BUSINESS ADVISOR AND TAX ADVISOR AS TO LEGAL, BUSINESS AND TAX ADVICE. NONE OF THE CO-ISSUERS, THE PLACEMENT AGENT, THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER OR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE

AFFILIATES MAKES ANY REPRESENTATION TO ANY OFFEREE OF THE SECURITIES REGARDING THE LEGALITY OF AN INVESTMENT THEREIN BY SUCH OFFEREE UNDER APPLICABLE LEGAL INVESTMENT OR SIMILAR LAWS OR REGULATIONS OR THE PROPER CLASSIFICATION OF SUCH AN INVESTMENT THEREUNDER.

This Offering Memorandum does not constitute an offer of, or an invitation by or on behalf of, the Co-Issuers (in respect of the Notes) or the Issuer (in respect of the Preference Shares and the Combination Securities) or the Placement Agent to subscribe to or purchase any of the Securities in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful to make such an offer or invitation. The distribution of this Offering Memorandum and the offering of the Securities in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law. Persons into whose possession this Offering Memorandum comes are required by the Co-Issuers and the Placement Agent to inform themselves about and to observe any such restrictions. For a description of certain further restrictions on offers and sales of Securities and distribution of this Offering Memorandum, see "Description of the Securities," "Plan of Distribution" and "Transfer Restrictions."

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has been registered under the Investment Company Act. Each purchaser of Notes represented by an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will be deemed to represent and agree that the purchaser is acquiring such Notes in a principal amount of not less than U.S.\$500,000, and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof for such purchaser and each account for which such purchaser is purchasing such Notes and that the purchaser and each such account is a Qualified Purchaser. Each purchaser of Preference Shares or Combination Securities that is a U.S. Person will be required to represent and agree that (i) the purchaser is (a) acquiring such Preference Shares in a number of not less than 250 Preference Shares, and integral multiples of one Preference Share in excess thereof for such purchaser or (b) acquiring such Combination Securities in a principal amount of not less than U.S.\$1,250,000, in the case of the Class 1 Combination Securities, and U.S.\$1,000,000, in the case of the Class 2 Combination Securities, and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess for such purchaser and (ii) each account for which such purchaser is purchasing such Preference Shares or Combination Securities and that the purchaser and each such account is (a) a Qualified Purchaser, (b) solely with respect to the Preference Shares, a Knowledgeable Employee or (c) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or solely with respect to the Preference Shares, Knowledgeable Employees. See "Transfer Restrictions."

Prospective purchasers are hereby notified that a seller of the Securities may be relying on an exemption from the registration requirements of Section 5 of the Securities Act provided by Section 4(2) of the Securities Act.

In this Offering Memorandum references to "**Dollars**," "**\$**" and "**U.S.\$**" are dollars or other equivalent units in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for all debts, public and private.

**NO ACTION WAS TAKEN OR IS BEING CONTEMPLATED BY THE CO-ISSUERS THAT WOULD PERMIT A PUBLIC OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES OR POSSESSION OR DISTRIBUTION OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY AMENDMENT THEREOF, OR SUPPLEMENT THERETO OR ANY OTHER OFFERING MATERIAL RELATING TO THE SECURITIES IN ANY JURISDICTION (OTHER THAN THE CAYMAN ISLANDS) WHERE, OR IN ANY OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH, ACTION FOR THOSE PURPOSES IS REQUIRED. NOTHING CONTAINED HEREIN SHALL CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO SELL OR A SOLICITATION OF AN OFFER TO PURCHASE ANY SECURITIES IN ANY JURISDICTION WHERE IT IS UNLAWFUL TO DO SO ABSENT THE TAKING OF SUCH ACTION OR THE AVAILABILITY OF AN EXEMPTION THEREFROM.**



### **NOTICE TO NEW HAMPSHIRE RESIDENTS**

NEITHER THE FACT THAT A REGISTRATION STATEMENT OR AN APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE HAS BEEN FILED UNDER CHAPTER 421-B OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE REVISED STATUTES WITH THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE NOR THE FACT THAT A SECURITY IS EFFECTIVELY REGISTERED OR A PERSON IS LICENSED IN THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CONSTITUTES A FINDING BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE THAT ANY DOCUMENT FILED UNDER RSA 421-B IS TRUE, COMPLETE AND NOT MISLEADING. NEITHER ANY SUCH FACT NOR THE FACT THAT AN EXEMPTION OR EXCEPTION IS AVAILABLE FOR A SECURITY OR A TRANSACTION MEANS THAT THE SECRETARY OF STATE HAS PASSED IN ANY WAY UPON THE MERITS OR QUALIFICATIONS OF, OR RECOMMENDED OR GIVEN APPROVAL TO, ANY PERSON, SECURITY, OR TRANSACTION. IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE, OR CAUSE TO BE MADE, TO ANY PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER, CUSTOMER, OR CLIENT ANY REPRESENTATION INCONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PARAGRAPH.

### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM**

THE PLACEMENT AGENT HAS AGREED THAT (A) IT HAS ONLY COMMUNICATED OR CAUSE TO BE COMMUNICATED, AND WILL ONLY COMMUNICATE OR CAUSE TO BE COMMUNICATED, AN INVITATION OR INDUCEMENT TO ENGAGE IN INVESTMENT ACTIVITY (WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 21 OF THE FINANCIAL SERVICES AND MARKETS ACT 2000 (THE "**FSMA**,")) RECEIVED BY IT IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUE OR SALE OF ANY SECURITIES IN CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH SECTION 21(1) OF THE FSMA DOES NOT APPLY TO THE ISSUER; AND (B) IT HAS COMPLIED AND WILL COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE FSMA WITH RESPECT TO ANYTHING DONE BY IT IN RELATION TO THE SECURITIES IN, FROM OR OTHERWISE INVOLVING THE UNITED KINGDOM.

### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF FRANCE**

This Offering Memorandum has not been registered with the French *Commission des Opérations de Bourse* and the Securities may not be offered or sold, directly, or indirectly, to the public in the Republic of France nor may this Offering Memorandum or any other offering material be distributed to the public in France. Such offers, sales and distributions may only be made in France to (i) qualified investors (*investisseurs qualifiés*) and/or (ii) a restricted group of investors (*cercle restreint d'investisseurs*) each acting for their own account, all as defined in Article 6 of *ordonnance* n 67-833 dated 28 September 1967 (as amended) and *décret* n°98-880 dated October 1, 1998.

Where the issue of the Securities is effected as an exception to the rules relating to an *appel public à l'épargne* in France (public offer rules) by way of an offer to a restricted group of investors, such investors must provide certification as to their personal, professional or family relationship with a member of the management of the Issuer. Such certification is not required where the issue of the Securities is effected as an exception to such rules by way of an offer to qualified investors. Persons into whose possession offering material comes must inform themselves about and observe any such restrictions. This Offering Memorandum and any other material related to the Securities may not be distributed or caused to be distributed in the Republic of France other than to investors to whom offers and sales of the Securities in the Republic of France may be made as described above.

### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY**

The Placement Agent has confirmed that they are aware of the fact that no German selling prospectus

(*verkaufsprospekt*) has been or will be published in respect of the offering and that it will comply with the Securities Selling Prospectus Act (the "**Prospectus Act**") of the Federal Republic of Germany (*Wertpapier- Verkaufsprospektgesetz*). In particular the Placement Agent has undertaken not to engage in public offering (*öffentliche anbieten*) or other selling activities in the Federal Republic of Germany with respect to any Securities issued under the Offering otherwise than in accordance with the Prospectus Act and any other act replacing or supplementing the Prospectus Act and all other applicable laws and regulations.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF BERMUDA**

UNDER BERMUDA LAW IT IS NOT NECESSARY TO PUBLISH OR FILE A PROSPECTUS IN RESPECT OF THE OFFERING BY VIRTUE OF SECTION 26 (1A) OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1981 (THE "**COMPANIES ACT**"). ACCORDINGLY, THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAS NOT BEEN FILED UNDER THE COMPANIES ACT.

#### **AVAILABLE INFORMATION**

To permit compliance with Rule 144A in connection with the sale of the Securities, the Issuer (and, solely in the case of the Notes, the Co-Issuers) under the Indenture referred to under "Description of the Securities" and the Preference Share Documents will be required to furnish upon request of a holder of a Security to such holder and a prospective purchaser designated by such holder the information required to be delivered under Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act if at the time of the request the Co-Issuers are not reporting companies under Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "**Exchange Act**"), or exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act. Such information may be obtained directly from the Issuer at the specified office of the Trustee.

#### **INFORMATION AS TO SALE WITHIN THE UNITED STATES**

This Offering Memorandum is highly confidential and has been prepared by the Issuer solely for use in connection with this offering. This Offering Memorandum is personal to each offeree to whom it has been delivered by the Co-Issuers, the Placement Agent or affiliates thereof and does not constitute an offer to any other person or to the public generally to subscribe for or otherwise acquire the Securities. Distribution of this Offering Memorandum to any persons other than the offeree and those persons, if any, retained to advise such offeree with respect thereto is unauthorized and any disclosure of any of its contents, without the prior written consent of the Issuer, is prohibited except as otherwise authorized under "Income Tax Considerations—Tax Return Disclosure and Investor List Requirements." Each prospective purchaser in the United States, by accepting delivery of this Offering Memorandum, agrees to the foregoing and to make no copies of this Offering Memorandum or any documents related hereto and, if the offeree does not purchase Securities or the offering is terminated, to return this Offering Memorandum and all documents attached hereto to: Banc of America Securities LLC, 9 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street, New York, New York 10019, Attention: Structured Securities Group.

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## SUMMARY OF TERMS

*The following summary of terms does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by, and should be read in conjunction with, the more detailed information appearing elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum and the documents referred to in this Offering Memorandum. A Glossary and an Index of Defined Terms appear at the back of this Offering Memorandum. Except as otherwise specified herein or as the context may otherwise require or dictate or unless the Combination Securities are explicitly addressed in the same context, (A) all references in this Offering Memorandum to the "Notes" include the "Class 1 Note Component" of the Class 1 Combination Securities, (B) all references in this Offering Memorandum to the rights of the Holders of the Class C Notes (including with respect to any payments, distributions, redemptions, votes or consents to be given by such Holders) include the rights of the Holders of the Class 1 Combination Securities to the extent of the Class 1 Note Component of the Class 1 Combination Securities, (C) all references in this Offering Memorandum to the "Preference Shares" include the "Preference Share Component" of the Class 1 Combination Securities and/or the Class 2 Combination Securities, as applicable, and (D) all references in this Offering Memorandum to the rights of the Holders of the Preference Shares (including with respect to any payments, distributions, redemptions, votes or consents to be given by such Holders) include the rights of the Holders of the Class 1 Combination Securities to the extent of the Preference Share Component of the Class 1 Combination Securities and of the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities to the extent of the Preference Share Component of the Class 2 Combination Securities.*

### Principal Terms of the Securities

	Class A-1 Notes	Class A-2 Notes	Class B Notes	Class C Notes	Class D Notes	Class 1 Combination Securities <sup>1</sup>	Class 2 Combination Securities <sup>2</sup>	Preference Shares
Type	Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	N/A	Extendable	N/A
Issuer(s)	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Issuer	Issuer	Issuer
Principal Amount/Face Amount (U.S.\$)	\$620,000,000	\$28,000,000	\$60,500,000	\$51,000,000 <sup>3</sup>	\$49,500,000	\$5,000,000 <sup>4</sup>	\$20,000,000 <sup>5</sup>	\$91,000,000 <sup>6</sup>
Expected Moody's Initial Rating	"Aaa"	"Aaa"	"Aa2"	"A2"	"Baa2"	"A2" <sup>7</sup>	"Aa2" <sup>8</sup>	N/A
Expected S&P Initial Rating	"AAA"	"AAA"	"AA"	"A"	"BBB"	N/A	N/A	N/A
Note Interest Rate	LIBOR + 0.275%	LIBOR + 0.40%	LIBOR + 0.55%	LIBOR + 0.90%	LIBOR + 1.90%	0.25% <sup>9</sup>	N/A	N/A
Stated Maturity/Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date <sup>10</sup>	November 1, 2017	November 1, 2017	November 1, 2017	November 1, 2017	November 1, 2017	November 1, 2017	November 1, 2015	November 1, 2017
Minimum Denominations (U.S.\$) (Integral Multiples)	\$500,000 (\$1,000)	\$500,000 (\$1,000)	\$500,000 (\$1,000)	\$500,000 (\$1,000)	\$500,000 (\$1,000)	\$1,250,000 (\$1,000)	\$1,000,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 <sup>11</sup> (\$1,000)
Ranking of the Securities:								
Priority Class	None	A-1	A-1 and A-2	A-1, A-2 and B	A-1, A-2, B and C	N/A	N/A	A-1, A-2, B, C and D
Junior Class	A-2, B, C, D and Preference Shares	B, C, D and Preference Shares	C, D and Preference Shares	D and Preference Shares	Preference Shares	N/A	N/A	None
Deferred Interest Notes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A

- 1 The Class 1 Combination Securities shall consist of the Class 1 Combination Security Preference Share Component and the Class 1 Note Component. The portions of the interest in the Class C Notes and the Preference Shares that comprise the Class 1 Combination Securities are not separately transferable. The Class 1 Note Component will bear interest in the same manner as the Class C Notes and the Class 1 Combination Security Preference Share Components will receive payments in the same manner as the Preference Shares.
- 2 The Class 2 Combination Securities shall consist of the Preference Share Component and the Class 2 Component. The portions of the interest in the Class 2 Bond and the Preference Shares that comprise the Class 2 Combination Securities are not separately transferable. On each Payment Date, the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities will be entitled to receive a *pro rata* share of the distribution on the Preference Shares on such date. No other payments will be made on the Class 2 Combination Securities until final maturity of the Class 2 Bond.
- 3 The amount of Class C Notes shown also includes the Class 1 Note Component comprised of \$4,000,000 Class C Notes.
- 4 The amount of the Class 1 Combination Securities shown also includes the Class 1 Combination Securities Preference Share Component comprised of 1,000 Preference Shares.
- 5 The amount of the Class 2 Combination Securities shown also includes the Class 2 Combination Securities Preference Share Component comprised of 7,600 Preference Shares.
- 6 On the Closing Date 91,000 Preference Shares will be issued at a Face Amount of U.S. \$1,000 per share.
- 7 The Class 1 Combination Securities are rated only as to the ultimate payment of their Class 1 Combination Security Rated Balances and the Class 1 Combination Security Rated Coupon.
- 8 The Class 2 Combination Securities are rated only as to the ultimate payment of their Class 2 Combination Security Rated Balances.
- 9 Representing the Class 1 Combination Security Rated Coupon. In the event that the Class 1 Combination Security Rated Balance is reduced to zero, Holders of the Class 1 Combination Securities will continue to receive payments in accordance with the Priority of Payments to the extent allocated to their related Components, and such payments will be classified as "excess distributions."
- 10 The Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Class 1 Combination Securities, and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares, are subject to multiple extensions to the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (in the case of the Notes and the Class 1 Combination Securities) and the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (in the case of the Preference Shares), if the Issuer provides timely notice and the Extension Conditions are satisfied. See "Risk Factors—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary," "—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected," "Maturity and Prepayment Considerations" and "Description of the Securities—Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date." Although the Scheduled Preference Share Redemption Date of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 2 Combination Security Preference Share Component is subject to extension, the Stated Maturity of the Class 2 Combination Securities is not subject to extension.
- 11 At the request of Banc of America Securities LLC, as Placement Agent, a portion of the Preference Shares may be issued in such lesser minimum denomination as specified by the Placement Agent (but not less than 100 Preference Shares).

The Notes will be limited recourse obligations of the Co-Issuers. The Combination Securities will be limited recourse obligations of the Issuer. The Notes and the Combination Securities will be issued pursuant to the Indenture.

The Preference Shares will be part of the issued share capital of the Issuer and, accordingly, will not be secured obligations of the Issuer. JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association will act as the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the Preference Shares and will perform various administrative services pursuant to a Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date (the "**Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement**") by and between the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

Payments to each Holder of the Notes of each Class shall be made ratably among the Holders of the Notes of that Class in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes of such Class held by each Holder. Payments to each Holder of the Preference Shares shall be made ratably among the Holders of the Preference Shares in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Preference Shares held by each Holder.

Except as provided under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments," the Class A Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares (and, as among the Class A Notes, the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes will be *pari passu* with respect to interest payments and the Class A-1 Notes will be senior in right of principal payments to the Class A-2 Notes); the Class B Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares; the Class C Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares; and the Class D Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Preference Shares.

The Class 1 Combination Securities consist of (i) a Class 1 Combination Security Preference Share Component entitling its holders to rights in respect of 1,000 Preference Shares and (ii) a Class 1 Note Component entitling its holders to rights in respect of \$4,000,000 Class C Notes.

The Class 2 Combination Securities consist of (i) a Class 2 Combination Security Preference Share Component entitling its holders to rights in respect of 7,600 Preference Shares and (ii) a



Class 2 Component entitling its holders to rights to receive proceeds from a trust account initially holding a \$20,000,000 principal-only zero coupon security issued by Banc America Corporation maturing on October 30, 2015 (the "**Class 2 Bond**").

The Securities and certain other obligations of the Co-Issuers will have the priorities of payment described under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments."

**Co-Issuers .....** The Issuer has been incorporated and exists as an exempted limited liability company under the laws of the Cayman Islands. The Issuer's activities are limited to acquiring Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, entering into any Hedge Agreements, issuing the Securities and entering into certain related transactions.

The Co-Issuer is organized as a corporation under the laws of the State of Delaware for the sole purpose of co-issuing the Notes.

The Issuer will not have any significant assets other than Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, the Class 2 Bond, any Hedge Agreements and certain other eligible assets. The Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, the rights of the Issuer under any Hedge Agreements and other collateral (other than the Class 2 Bond) will be pledged to the Trustee as security for, among other things, the Issuer's obligations under the Notes. The Class 2 Bond will be pledged to the Trustee as security solely for the Issuer's obligations under the Class 2 Combination Securities.

The Co-Issuer is not expected to have any significant assets and will not pledge any assets to secure the Notes.

**Trustee .....** JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association will act as the Trustee under the Indenture on behalf of the Holders of the Notes.

**Portfolio Manager.....** Certain advisory, management and administrative functions with respect to the Collateral will be performed by Highland Capital Management, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("**Highland Capital**" or, in such capacity, the "**Portfolio Manager**"), pursuant to a portfolio management agreement by and between the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager (the "**Management Agreement**"). On the Closing Date, the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates are expected to purchase (or, through a derivative or similar arrangement, retain economic exposure to) Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$19,400,000. Highland Capital and its Affiliates will, so long as Highland Capital or any of its Affiliates is acting as Portfolio Manager, maintain, in the aggregate, ownership of (or, through a derivative or similar arrangement, retain economic

exposure to) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Preference Shares described in the "Management Agreement. "

The Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates may also acquire Preference Shares upon the occurrence of (i) the Amendment Buy-Out Option and (ii) a proposed removal of the Portfolio Manager by the Directing Preference Shares. In addition, the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates may acquire all or any portion of any Extension Sale Securities in connection with a Maturity Extension. See "The Portfolio Manager," "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities," "—Relating to the Portfolio Manager" and "—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Portfolio Manager," "Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out," "Description of the Securities—Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date" and "The Management Agreement."

**Closing Date** ..... On or about October 13, 2005.

**Use of Proceeds** ..... The gross proceeds of the offering of the Securities received on the Closing Date are expected to equal approximately \$900,000,000 and will be used by the Issuer to:

- purchase a portfolio of Collateral Obligations;
- fund a trust account for Revolving Loans (the "**Revolving Reserve Account**") and a trust account for Delayed Drawdown Loans (the "**Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account**") to cover any future draws on Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans;
- enter into any Hedge Agreements, as applicable;
- enter into any Securities Lending Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the Securities Lending Account);
- enter into any Synthetic Security Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the related accounts);
- repurchase and terminate Participations outstanding under the Warehouse Agreement;
- fund the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account;
- purchase the Class 2 Bond for deposit into the Class 2 Component Account;

- pay the costs and expenses of the offering; and
- undertake certain related activities.

See "Use of Proceeds."

**Payment Dates.....** Payment of interest on, and principal of, the Notes will be made by the Issuer in U.S. Dollars on the first day of each February, May, August and November of each year (or if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day), commencing February 1, 2006, to the extent of available cash flow in respect of the Collateral in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

**Interest Payments and Payments  
of Dividends from Interest**

**Proceeds.....** The Notes will accrue interest from the Closing Date. Interest on the Notes will be payable, to the extent of funds available therefor, on each Payment Date.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of interest due on such Class of Deferred Interest Notes that is not available to be paid ("**Deferred Interest**") in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered "payable" for the purposes of the Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for such Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest), until paid. See "Description of the Securities—Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Preference Shares from Interest Proceeds," "—Priority of Payments" and "—The Indenture—Events of Default."

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Interest Proceeds as described under clauses (17) and (19) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds."

**Principal Payments and  
Distributions from Principal  
Proceeds.....**

The Notes and the Class 1 Combination Securities will mature at par on the Payment Date in November, 2017 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (the "**Stated Maturity**") and the Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed at the Redemption Price thereof by the Issuer on the Payment Date in November, 2017 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (the "**Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**"), in each case unless redeemed or (in the case of the Notes) repaid in full prior thereto. The Class 2 Combination Securities will mature at par on the Payment Date in November, 2015. The average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years from issuance until Stated Maturity for such Notes. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary," "—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected" and "Maturity and Prepayment Considerations."

In general, principal payments will not be made on the Notes before the end of the Reinvestment Period, except in the following circumstances:

- in connection with an Optional Redemption;
- at the option of the Portfolio Manager, to effect a Special Redemption of the Notes;
- pursuant to a redemption made in connection with a Tax Event; or
- following a mandatory redemption of the Notes caused by a failure to meet any of the Coverage Tests or a Rating Confirmation Failure.

See "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments," "—Optional Redemption," "—Special Redemption of the Notes If the Portfolio Manager Does Not Identify Investments as Contemplated by the Indenture," "—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes" and "Security for the Notes and the Combination Securities—Ramp-Up."

No payments of principal will be made on the Class A-2 Notes until the principal of the Class A-1 Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class B Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class C Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on

the Class D Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes has been paid in full (other than with respect to the use of Interest Proceeds to pay principal of the Class D Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class D Coverage Tests). However, Principal Proceeds may be used to pay Deferred Interest and other amounts before the payment of principal of the Notes. See "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments."

No principal of any Class of Notes will be payable on any Payment Date other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and to the extent funds are available therefor on that Payment Date for that purpose, except that the principal of each Class of Notes will be payable in full at the Stated Maturity, unless repaid before that.

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Principal Proceeds as described under clauses (5)(A), (13) and (15) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds."

For a description of the relative priority of payments and level of subordination of the Securities and certain fees, expenses and other liabilities of the Co-Issuers, see "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments."

**Distributions on the Combination Securities.....**

On each Payment Date on which distributions are made in respect of the Class C Notes, a portion of such payment will be allocated to the Class 1 Combination Securities in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class 1 Note Component bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes. See "Description of the Securities—Distributions on the Combination Securities."

On each Payment Date on which distributions are made in respect of the Preference Shares, a portion of such payment will be allocated to the Combination Securities in the proportion that the aggregate Face Amount of the relevant Preference Share Component bears to the aggregate Face Amount of the Preference Shares. See "Description of the Securities—Distributions on the Combination Securities."

On the Class 2 Component Payment Date, as a result of the maturity of such Class 2 Bond or upon the early liquidation of

such Class 2 Bond as a result of an Event of Default, the Trustee will disburse the proceeds from the maturity or liquidation of the Class 2 Bond on deposit in the Class 2 Component Account to the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities, *pro rata* based on their share of the Class 2 Combination Security Rated Balance. See "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Class 2 Component Distribution" and "Description of the Securities—Distributions on the Combination Securities."

**Extension of the Reinvestment  
Period, the Stated Maturity  
and the Scheduled Preference  
Shares Redemption Date.....**

The Issuer, if directed by the Portfolio Manager, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Reinvestment Period to the applicable Extended Reinvestment Period End Date if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Reinvestment Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. For purposes of the foregoing, "**Extension Effective Date**" means if an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extension Effective Date (or, in the case of the first Extension Effective Date, the Payment Date in November, 2010); *provided* that if the Extension Conditions are not satisfied because the Holders of Class A-1 Notes have failed to deliver an Extension Sale Notice or have failed to provide their written consent to the related Maturity Extension, then the Portfolio Manager may extend the Extension Effective Date to such later date (not to exceed 7 Business Days after the then proposed Extension Effective Date) if the Portfolio Manager shall cause the Extension Conditions set forth in clause (v) of such definition to be satisfied as of such later date. "**Extended Reinvestment Period End Date**" means, if an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Reinvestment Period End Date (or, in the case of the first Extension, the Payment Date in November, 2016); *provided* that the "Extended Reinvestment Period End Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November, 2028.

If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Class 1 Combination Securities shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date shall automatically be extended to the Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Securities (other than as

may be required pursuant to the Extension Conditions) or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents (the "**Maturity Extension**"); provided that the Issuer will not be permitted to effect more than four Maturity Extensions. For purposes of the foregoing, "**Extended Stated Maturity Date**" means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Stated Maturity Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Payment Date in November, 2021), "**Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**" means, if a Maturity has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Payment Date in November, 2021) and "**Extended Weighted Average Life Date**" means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Weighted Average Life Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Weighted Average Life Date, the Payment Date in February, 2019); provided that the "Extended Stated Maturity Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November, 2033, the "Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November, 2033 and the "Extended Weighted Average Life Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in February, 2031.

As a condition to a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Securities (other than the Class 2 Combination Securities) will have the right to offer to sell their Securities to one or more Extension Qualifying Purchasers for purchase on the applicable Extension Effective Date.

Although the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 2 Combination Security Preference Share Component is subject to extension, the Class 2 Combination Securities are not subject to sale in connection with a Maturity Extension and the maturity of the Class 2 Combination Securities is not subject to extension. A Holder of Class 2 Combination Securities may request that the Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Component of such Class 2 Combination Securities be distributed to such Holder for purposes of offering such Preference Shares for sale to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser. In such circumstance, the Class 2 Combination Securities held by such Holder will only be comprised of the Class 2 Component.

If all Extension Conditions are satisfied and a Maturity Extension is effected, each Holder of a Note (other than Extension Sale Securities) will be entitled to receive the applicable Extension Bonus Payment and each Holder of Class 1 Combination Securities (other than Extension Sale Securities)

will be entitled to receive an amount equal to the Extension Bonus Payment relating to the Class C Notes underlying the Class 1 Note Component, in each case to the extent of available funds and as provided in the Priority of Payments. Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities and the Preference Shares will not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary," "—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected," "Maturity and Prepayment Considerations," and "Description of the Securities—Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date".

**Security for the Notes .....** The Notes will be secured by a portfolio having an Aggregate Principal Balance following the Ramp-Up Period of at least U.S.\$872,000,000 and consisting primarily of Collateral Obligations and certain other debt securities, in each case having the characteristics set forth herein. The Notes will also be secured by funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, the Issuer's rights under any Hedge Agreements, any Securities Lending Agreements, the Management Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, the Collateral shall not include the Class 2 Collateral or any Excluded Property. See "Security for the Notes and the Combination Securities."

The Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities (solely to the extent of their Class 2 Component) will be secured by the Class 2 Collateral.

The Preference Shares are unsecured equity interests in the Issuer.

**Collateral Ramp-Up Period.....** The Issuer expects that, as of the Closing Date, it will have purchased (or entered into commitments to purchase) at least \$698,300,000 in Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations to be included in the anticipated portfolio such that the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator will be at least \$872,000,000 as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date. The **"Ramp-Up Completion Date"** is the earlier of (i) the Business Day after the 86<sup>th</sup> day after the Closing Date and (ii) the first day on which the following conditions are satisfied (x) either (A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least \$872,000,000 or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer with proceeds from the sale of the Securities (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may



be) equals at least \$872,000,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date) and (y) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$872,000,000.

In anticipation of the issuance of the Securities, the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and Bank of America, N.A. (as the "**Warehouse Provider**") entered into the Master Warehousing and Participation Agreement pursuant to which the Portfolio Manager has agreed to manage, on behalf of the Issuer, the Warehoused Loans to be acquired by the Issuer before the Closing Date and the Warehouse Provider has agreed to acquire a 100% participation in each Warehoused Loan concurrently with its acquisition by the Issuer, for a purchase price equal to the purchase price paid by the Issuer for the related Warehoused Loan. On the Closing Date, the participations in eligible Warehoused Loans will be repurchased by the Issuer with the proceeds of the offering. Approximately \$115 million (by principal balance) of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer on the Closing Date were transferred to the Issuer from, or from a portfolio of investments used to hedge the investments of, another entity for which the Portfolio Manager acted as investment advisor, and the purchase price paid by the Issuer for a substantial portion of such Collateral Obligations is based on prices obtained from LoanX Inc. In addition, other Collateral Obligations funded through the warehouse facility were purchased in the open market, including from sellers that include affiliates of Banc of America Securities LLC, and the purchase price paid by the Issuer for such Collateral Obligations (and all other Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer on the Closing Date that were not based on LoanX prices as described in the previous sentence) is the prevailing price at the time such Collateral Obligations were purchased. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Collateral Obligations—A Substantial Amount of Collateral Obligations Was Acquired Before the Closing Date, and the Terms of the Acquisition May Adversely Affect the Issuer."

See "Security for the Notes and the Combination Securities—Ramp-Up."

**Reinvestment Period;****Reinvestment in Collateral**

**Obligations** ..... During the Reinvestment Period, the Issuer may generally (and subject to certain requirements) reinvest Principal Proceeds received with respect to the Collateral in additional or substitute Collateral Obligations in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria (which Eligibility Criteria includes requirements that an item of Collateral purchased by the Issuer meet the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and that the portfolio of Collateral Obligations be in compliance with the Concentration Limitations to the extent provided in the Eligibility Criteria). See "—Collateral Obligations," "—Concentration Limitations" and "Security for the Notes and the Combination Securities—Eligibility Criteria."

The "**Reinvestment Period**" will be the period from the Closing Date through and including the first to occur of:

- (i) the Payment Date after the date that the Portfolio Manager notifies the Trustee, each Rating Agency and the Administrator, in the sole discretion of the Portfolio Manager, that, in light of the composition of the Collateral, general market conditions, and other factors, investments in additional Collateral Obligations within the foreseeable future would either be impractical or not beneficial;
- (ii) the Payment Date in November, 2012 or, in the case of an Extension, the Extended Reinvestment Period End Date;
- (iii) the Payment Date on which all Notes are to be optionally redeemed or an earlier date after notice of an Optional Redemption chosen by the Portfolio Manager to facilitate the liquidation of the Collateral for the Optional Redemption; and
- (iv) the date on which the Reinvestment Period terminates or is terminated as a result of an Event of Default (subject to the terms of the Indenture).

No investment will be made in Collateral Obligations after the termination of the Reinvestment Period, except that (x) Unscheduled Principal Payments and (y) Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations may be invested in Collateral Obligations after the Reinvestment Period subject to the limitations described under "Security for the Notes and the Combination Securities—Eligibility Criteria" and "—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Reinvestment of Principal Proceeds and Reinvestment Criteria." After the termination of the Reinvestment Period, all Principal Proceeds (other than Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale

Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations) must be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

**Collateral Obligations** ..... Any obligation or security (a "**Collateral Obligation**") that, when the Issuer commits to purchase (or otherwise acquire) the obligation or security, is a Loan, High-Yield Bond, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that is a Loan, a Structured Finance Obligation or High-Yield Bond that is:

- (i) denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars and is not convertible by its obligor into any other currency;
- (ii) an obligation of an obligor Domiciled in an Eligible Country;
- (iii) an obligation that is eligible by its terms to be assigned to the Issuer and pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral;
- (iv) not an exchangeable or convertible security that is exchangeable or convertible at the option of its issuer;
- (v) not an equity security or a component of an equity security or a security that has a component that is an equity security (other than for avoidance of doubt, a pass-through trust certificate in a trust holding Collateral Obligations);
- (vi) not an obligation or security that has been called for redemption and is not an obligation or security that is the subject of an Offer other than a Permitted Offer or an exchange offer in which a security that is not registered under the Securities Act is exchanged for (a) a security that has substantially identical terms (except for transfer restrictions) but is registered under the Securities Act or (b) a security that would otherwise qualify for purchase under the Eligibility Criteria;
- (vii) an obligation that (a) has a Moody's Rating (including any estimated or confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored) and (b) has an S&P Rating (including any confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored), which S&P Rating does not have a "p", "pi", "q", "r" or "t" subscript unless S&P otherwise authorizes in writing;
- (viii) an obligation that is a Finance Lease (if it is a lease) and the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;

- (ix) an obligation that is not a Current-Pay Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation and in the case of a Collateral Obligation that has a Moody's Rating of "Caa1" or lower or an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower, an obligation for which the Portfolio Manager has certified in writing that such Collateral Obligation is not a Credit Risk Obligation;
- (x) an obligation that (unless it is a High-Yield Bond) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness for borrowed money of the applicable issuer; provided that for the avoidance of doubt, this clause shall not prohibit the inclusion as Collateral Obligations of Subordinated Lien Loans;
- (xi) an obligation that (a) bears simple interest payable in cash no less frequently than annually (although, in the case of a PIK Security, interest may be deferrable) at a fixed or floating rate that is paid on a periodic basis on an unleveraged basis and, in the case of a floating rate, computed on a benchmark interest rate plus or minus a spread, if any (which may vary under the terms of the obligation) and (b) provides for a fixed amount of principal payable in cash according to a fixed schedule (which may include optional call dates) or at maturity (or a fixed notional amount in the case of Synthetic Securities);
- (xii) an obligation the payment or repayment of the principal, if any, of which is not an amount determined by reference to any formula or index or subject to any contingency under the terms thereof;
- (xiii) an obligation the portion of which to be acquired (including through a Synthetic Security with respect to the Reference Obligation) does not represent, directly or indirectly, more than a 25% interest in the obligation;
- (xiv) not an obligation with a maturity later than one year after the Stated Maturity of the Notes;
- (xv) an obligation upon which no payments are subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the obligor thereof or counterparty with respect thereto is required to make "gross-up" payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax on an after-tax basis (other than withholding taxes with respect to commitment fees associated with Collateral Obligations constituting Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans);

- (xvi) not a Loan or Synthetic Security that would require the Issuer after its purchase of the Loan or Synthetic Security to advance any funds to the related borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty or permit the borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty to require that any future advances be made except for:
  - (A) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the Issuer deposits into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, respectively, the maximum amount of any advances that may be required of the Issuer under the related Underlying Instrument (as provided in the Indenture); and
  - (B) any Synthetic Security if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Synthetic Security, the Issuer posts cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) the Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of any future advances;
- (xvii) if such obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation, such obligation:
  - (A) has been assigned a rating by both Moody's and S&P;
  - (B) has a Moody's Rating of "Ba3" or higher and an S&P Rating of "BB-" or higher; and
  - (C) has not been placed on the watch list for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P;
- (xviii) if such obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation managed by the Portfolio Manager that is other than a collateralized loan obligation primarily secured by Senior Secured Loans, the Rating Condition has been satisfied;
- (xix) not a Loan that is an obligation of a debtor in possession or a trustee for a debtor in an insolvency proceeding other than a DIP Loan;
- (xx) with respect to an obligation that provides for the payment of interest at a floating rate, an obligation for which such floating rate is determined by reference to the U.S. Dollar prime rate or other base rate, London interbank offered rate or similar interbank offered rate,

commercial deposit rate or any other index that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto;

- (xxi) in the case of a Synthetic Security, a Synthetic Security for which the counterparty or issuer, as the case may be, has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3", and if rated "A3" by Moody's, such rating is not on watch for downgrade, and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A-";
- (xxii) not an obligation that constitutes Margin Stock;
- (xxiii) not a Zero-Coupon Security;
- (xxiv) not an obligation that is currently deferring interest or paying interest "in kind" or otherwise has an interest "in kind" balance outstanding at the time of purchase, which interest is otherwise payable in cash, unless the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;
- (xxv) not a security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined by the Portfolio Manager;
- (xxvi) not an obligation the interest payments of which are scheduled to decrease (although interest payments may decrease due to unscheduled events such as a decrease if the index relating to a Floating Rate Obligation, the change from a default rate of interest to a non-default rate of interest or an improvement in the obligor's financial condition);
- (xxvii) not an obligation that will cause the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the pool of assets to be required to be registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act; and
- (xxviii) not a Bridge Loan.

Pursuant to the definition of "Synthetic Security", unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event".

See "Security for the Notes and the Combination Securities—Purchase of Collateral Obligations" and "—Eligibility Criteria."

**Concentration Limitations**..... Upon a purchase of a Collateral Obligation, the Eligibility Criteria require that each of the limits set forth below with respect to a particular type of Investment Obligation (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) as a percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount (the "**Concentration Limitations**") is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced:

	Percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount
(1) Senior Secured Loans, Second Lien Loans, Subordinated Lien Loans and Eligible Investments	≥ 92.5%
(a) except that Senior Secured Loans shall meet or exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	≥ 87.5%
(2) unsecured Loans	≤ 3.0%
(3) Subordinated Lien Loans	≤ 10.0%
(4) High-Yield Bonds	≤ 7.5%
(5) Subordinated Lien Loans and High-Yield Bonds	≤ 15.0%
(6) Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans	≤ 15.0%
(7) DIP Loans	≤ 5.0%
(a) except that with a Rating Confirmation, DIP Loans may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	≤ 7.5%
(8) S&P Unrated DIP Loans	≤ 2.5%
(9) PIK Securities	≤ 3.0%
(10) Structured Finance Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(a) except that Structured Finance Obligations managed by the Portfolio Manager may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	≤ 5.0%
(b) except that a single issuer together with any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) of a Structured Finance Obligation may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column; and	≤ 3.0%
(c) except that any single issuer whose long-term debt obligations are rated below BBB- by S&P, or are rated BBB- by S&P and are on negative watch for downgrade, other than an issuer with respect to which the Rating Condition has been satisfied, may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column;	0%
(11) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States and Canada	≤ 15.0%
(12) obligors Domiciled in Canada or any single Moody's Group I Country	≤ 10.0%
(13) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group II Country	≤ 5.0%
(14) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group III Country	≤ 2.5%
(15) obligors organized in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction	≤ 5.0%

(16)	same S&P Industry Classification	$\leq 8.0\%$
(a)	except that Investment Obligations belonging to two S&P Industry Classifications (not including Telecommunications) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 12.0\%$
(17)	single issuer or any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties)	$\leq 1.5\%$
(a)	except that up to each of five individual issuers (including any of their respective Affiliates but excluding issuers that the Portfolio Manager reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 2.0\%$
(18)	Fixed Rate Obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(19)	Pay interest less frequently than quarterly but no less frequently than annually	$\leq 7.5\%$
(20)	Synthetic Securities	$\leq 20.0\%$
(a)	except that Synthetic Securities that provide for settlement other than by physical delivery may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$
(b)	except that Synthetic Securities that reference a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$
(21)	Participations ( <i>provided</i> , that no Investment Obligations may be a Participation in a Participation)	$\leq 20.0\%$
(22)	Investment Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, in the aggregate may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 20.0\%$
(23)	Investment Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, a single Secondary Risk Counterparty	$\leq$ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Individual Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating*
(24)	Investment Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, all Secondary Risk Counterparties	$\leq$ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Aggregate Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating**
(25)	Deep Discount Obligations	$\leq 10.0\%$
(26)	CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(27)	Long-Dated Collateral Obligations	$\leq 4.0\%$
(28)	Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements	$\leq 15.0\%$
(29)	Floating Rate Obligations providing for interest at a non-London interbank offered rate	$\leq 5.0\%$



(30)	Collateral Obligations that are Loans that are part of a credit facility with a total global aggregate commitment amount of less than \$75,000,000	$\leq 10.0\%$
(31)	Collateral Obligations representing units consisting of debt and warrants to purchase equity securities; <i>provided</i> , that with respect to each Collateral Obligation which consists of such a unit of debt and warrants, at the time of purchase of such Collateral Debt Obligation, the aggregate value of the warrants included in such unit must be determined by the Portfolio Manager in good faith to be no more than 2% of the outstanding principal amount of the debt included in such unit	$\leq 5.0\%$

\* Applicable long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P of such Secondary Risk Counterparty (using the limit for the lower of such ratings if different).

\*\* Long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P at or below a level specified in the Secondary Risk Table (using the lower of such ratings for a Secondary Risk Counterparty, if different).

Subject to the rights of the Portfolio Manager to determine otherwise as set out in the Indenture, solely for the purpose of determining whether the Concentration Limitations are met, Eligible Investments and Cash will be treated as Senior Secured Loans and Floating Rate Obligations.

See "Security For the Notes and the Combination Securities—Eligibility Criteria."

#### Coverage Tests and the Reinvestment

**Overcollateralization Test.....** The "**Coverage Tests**" will consist of the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Tests. In addition, the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test, which is not a Coverage Test, will apply as described herein. See "Security For the Notes and the Combination Securities—The Coverage Tests—The Overcollateralization Tests" and "—The Interest Coverage Tests" for the formulations of these tests, which are highly detailed. The ratios on which they are based are also described under such headings. The tests will be used to determine, among other things, whether (i) in the case of the Coverage Tests, Notes will be redeemed in the circumstances described under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments," (ii) in the case of the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test, Collateral Obligations must be acquired from Interest Proceeds as described under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments" and (iii) in the case of the Coverage Tests, Collateral Obligations may be acquired as described under "Security for the Notes and the Combination Securities—Eligibility Criteria."

There will not be any Coverage Test applicable to the Combination Securities or the Preference Shares.

*The Overcollateralization Tests.....* The Overcollateralization Tests will consist of the "**Class A/B Overcollateralization Test**," the "**Class C Overcollateralization Test**" and the "**Class D**

**Overcollateralization Test."** Each Overcollateralization Test will be satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes (treating the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes as one Class for this purpose) if, as of any Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the specified required level for the specified Class indicated in the table below:

Test	Required Level
Class A/B Overcollateralization Test	112.4%
Class C Overcollateralization Test	108.3%
Class D Overcollateralization Test	104.2%

*The Interest Coverage Tests .....*

The Interest Coverage Tests will consist of the "**Class A/B Interest Coverage Test**," "**Class C Interest Coverage Test**" and the "**Class D Interest Coverage Test**." Each Interest Coverage Test will be satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes (treating the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes as one Class for this purpose) if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level specified in the table below for the specified Class:

Test	Required Level
Class A/B Interest Coverage Test	120%
Class C Interest Coverage Test	115%
Class D Interest Coverage Test	110%

*Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test.....*

A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 104.95%.

**Collateral Quality Tests .....**

The Collateral Quality Tests will be used primarily as criteria for purchasing Collateral Obligations. See "Security for the Notes and the Combination Securities—Eligibility Criteria." The "**Collateral Quality Tests**" will consist of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Life Test, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the S&P CDO Monitor Test, as described below.

<i>Diversity Test</i> .....	The Diversity Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date, if the Diversity Score equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score.
<i>S&amp;P CDO Monitor Test</i> .....	The S&P CDO Monitor Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive.
<i>Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test</i> .....	The Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 8.00%.
<i>Weighted Average Life Test</i> .....	The Weighted Average Life Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and the Payment Date in February, 2015 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date.
<i>Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test</i> .....	The Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 44.8%.
<i>Weighted Average Rating Factor Test</i> .....	The Weighted Average Rating Factor Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date, if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of such Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor.
<i>Weighted Average S&amp;P Recovery Rate Test</i> .....	The Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 51.7%.
<i>Weighted Average Spread Test</i> .....	The Weighted Average Spread Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if (i) the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread and (ii) the Weighted Average Commitment Fee as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Commitment Fee.
	See "Security for the Notes and the Combination Securities—The Collateral Quality Tests."

**Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

**for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests.....** If any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the last day of any Due Period (each, a "**Determination Date**"), funds will be used pursuant to the Priority of Payments to redeem the related Notes to the extent necessary for such failing Coverage Tests to be satisfied that would otherwise be used:

- (i) to purchase additional Collateral Obligations during the Reinvestment Period; or
- (ii) to make interest and principal payments on the Notes and to make dividend or redemption payments in respect of the Preference Shares.

See "Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests."

**Certain Consequences of Failure to Satisfy the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test.....**

If the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on any Determination Date, certain funds, as described under clause (13) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds," representing Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be used to make payments on the Preference Shares and pay certain subordinated expenses of the Issuer, will be deposited instead into the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds to the extent necessary to cause the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as of that Determination Date after application of Principal Proceeds as described under clauses (1), (2) and (3) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds."

**Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

**Upon Rating Confirmation Failure.....** The Issuer will request each of S&P and Moody's to confirm in writing, by the Business Day after the 29<sup>th</sup> day after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that it has not reduced, suspended or withdrawn the Initial Rating of each Class of Notes and, in the case of Moody's, the Class 1 Combination Securities, and that it has not placed any Class of Notes or, in the case of Moody's, the Class 1 Combination Securities, on credit watch with negative implications. If the Trustee does not receive evidence of confirmation before the Payment Date following the 29-day period (such an event, a "**Rating Confirmation Failure**"), all Interest Proceeds remaining after payment of amounts referred to in clauses (1) and (3) through (10) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" will be used to pay principal of the Class

A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes sequentially in order of their priority on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date thereafter until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. If necessary, after the foregoing payments are made out of Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds in accordance with clause (3) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds" will be used to pay principal of each Class of the Notes sequentially in order of their priority on each Payment Date until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. See "Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure."

**Non-Call Period** ..... The period from the Closing Date to but not including the Payment Date in November, 2010 (the "**Non-Call Period**").

**Optional Redemption** ..... Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the Holders of at least 66 $\frac{2}{3}$ % of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares or, upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, a Majority of the Controlling Class (but only if the Aggregate Principal Balance is less than 100% of the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes) may require the Issuer or Co-Issuers, as applicable, to redeem the Notes, in whole but not in part, from Principal Proceeds and all other funds available for that purpose in the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account in accordance with the redemption procedures described under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption."

Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at their redemption price described below. From and after the Redemption Date the redeemed Notes will cease to bear interest.

The redemption price payable in connection with the Optional Redemption of any Class of Notes will be the sum of:

- (i) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of the Note being redeemed; *plus*
- (ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest); *plus*

(iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note; *plus*

(iv) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

The redemption price payable in connection with the Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares will be (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the entire remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case, as described under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption."

Upon the occurrence of any Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares, in whole or in part, prior to the Class 2 Component Payment Date, the Class 2 Combination Securities will remain outstanding until the maturity thereof and will have the benefits provided under the Indenture.

**Special Redemption .....** The Notes will be subject to redemption in whole or in part by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, on Payment Dates during the Reinvestment Period if the Portfolio Manager elects (subject to the Management Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the investment or reinvestment of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be invested in additional Collateral Obligations (a "**Special Redemption**"). On the first Payment Date following the Due Period for which such notice is effective (a "**Special Redemption Date**"), the funds in the Collection Account or the Payment Account representing Principal Proceeds which cannot be reinvested in additional Collateral Obligations (the "**Special Redemption Amount**") will be available to be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments. See "Description of the Securities—Special Redemption of the Notes If the Portfolio Manager Does Not Identify Investments as Contemplated by the Indenture."

**The Offering.....** The Securities are initially being offered (i) in reliance on Regulation S, to non-U.S. Persons in offshore transactions ("**Offshore Transactions**") as such term is defined in Regulation S and (ii) to purchasers that are U.S. persons ("**U.S. Persons**") as such term is defined in Regulation S, that are (I) Accredited Investors and (II)(A) Qualified

Purchasers, (B) with respect to the Preference Shares only, Knowledgeable Employees or (C) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or, with respect to the Preference Shares only, Knowledgeable Employees. Subsequent transferees of the Securities must be (i) non-U.S. Persons that purchase the Securities in Offshore Transactions or (ii)(a) Qualified Institutional Buyers or Accredited Investors, and (b) (A) Qualified Purchasers, (B) with respect to the Preference Shares only, Knowledgeable Employees or (C) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or with respect to the Preference Shares only, Knowledgeable Employees. See "Plan of Distribution" and "Transfer Restrictions."

**Form, Registration and Transfer of the Notes and the Combination Securities....**

The Notes and the Combination Securities of each Class initially sold to U.S. persons that are Accredited Investors and either (i) Qualified Purchasers or (ii) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers shall each be issued initially in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons, registered in the name of the owner thereof (each, a "**U.S. Certificated Security**"). The Notes of each Class initially sold to U.S. Persons that are Qualified Institutional Buyers and either (i) Qualified Purchasers or (ii) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers shall each be issued initially in the form of one permanent global note per Class in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons (each, a "**Rule 144A Global Note**") deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository. With respect to the Rule 144A Global Notes, the Depository will credit the account of each of its participants with the principal amount of the Notes being purchased by or through the participant. Beneficial interests in a Rule 144A Global Note will be shown on, and transfers thereof will be effected only through, records maintained by the Depository and its direct and indirect participants. See "Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Notes and the Combination Securities." Rule 144A Global Notes may only be beneficially owned by persons who are both (i) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (ii) a Qualified Purchaser.

The Notes and the Combination Securities sold in Offshore Transactions to non-U.S. Persons in reliance on Regulation S will each be represented by one or more (i) global securities in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons (each, a "**Regulation S Global Security**") or (ii) certificated securities in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons (each, a "**Regulation S Certificated Security**"). The Regulation S Global Securities will be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for the Securities represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial

owners at Euroclear or Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Security may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream at any time.

Except in the limited circumstances described herein, certificated Securities will not be issued in exchange for beneficial interests in Global Securities. See "Settlement and Clearing."

Transfers of interests in the Notes and the Combination Securities are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Indenture. See "Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Notes and the Combination Securities" and "Transfer Restrictions." Each purchaser of Notes or Combination Securities in making its purchase will be required to make, or will be deemed to have made, as the case may be, certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements. See "Transfer Restrictions."

**Form, Registration and Transfers of  
the Preference Shares .....**

The Preference Shares sold in Offshore Transactions to non-U.S. Persons pursuant to Regulation S may be represented by one or more permanent global securities in definitive, fully registered form (each, a "**Regulation S Global Preference Share**" and, together with the Rule 144A Global Notes and the Regulation S Global Securities, the "**Global Securities**") which will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear or Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Preference Share may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream at any time.

The Preference Shares sold in (i) non-Offshore Transactions or to U.S. Persons who purchase such Preference Shares for their own account or for the account of an Accredited Investor who is also (1) a Qualified Purchaser, (2) a Knowledgeable Employee or (3) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees will be, or (ii) Offshore Transactions to non-U.S. Persons pursuant to Regulation S may be, issued in the form of one or more certificated Preference Shares in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the "**Certificated Preference Shares**" and together with the U.S. Certificated Securities, the "**Certificated Securities**").

Transfers of the Preference Shares are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the



procedures and requirements set forth in the Preference Share Documents. See "Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Preference Shares" and "Transfer Restrictions." Each purchaser of Preference Shares in making its purchase will be required to make, or will be deemed to have made, as the case may be, certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements. See "Transfer Restrictions."

**Ratings .....** It is a condition of the issuance of the Securities that each Class of Notes and Combination Securities are rated at least as indicated in the table under "—Principal Terms of the Securities" on the Closing Date.

The Class 1 Combination Securities are rated only as to the ultimate payment of their Class 1 Combination Security Rated Balances and the Class 1 Combination Security Rated Coupon and the Class 2 Combination Securities are rated only as to the ultimate payment of their Class 2 Combination Security Rated Balances.

No rating of the Preference Shares has been sought or obtained in connection with the issuance thereof.

Each of the above ratings assume that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date.

A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning Rating Agency. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—Future Ratings of the Notes Are Not Assured and Limited in Scope; the Preference Shares are Not Rated."

**Listing .....** Application will be made for each Class of the Securities to be admitted to the official list of the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange. There can be no assurance that such admission will be granted or maintained. See "Listing and General Information." The issuance and settlement of the Securities on the Closing Date will not be conditioned on the listing of the Securities on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange. In addition, there is currently no market for the Securities and there can be no assurance that a market will develop.

**Governing Law .....** The terms and conditions of the Preference Shares (as set forth in the Issuer Charter and the Resolutions) will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the Cayman Islands. The Notes, the Combination Securities, the Indenture, any supplemental indenture, the Management Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and any Hedge Agreements will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the State of New York.

**Tax Status**..... See "Income Tax Considerations."

**ERISA Considerations** ..... See "ERISA Considerations."

**Additional Issuance** ..... At any time during the Reinvestment Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the net proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or for other purposes permitted under the Indenture if the conditions for such additional issuance described under "Description of the Securities—Supplemental Indentures—Additional Issuance of Preference Shares" are met.

## **RISK FACTORS**

*An investment in the Securities involves certain risks. Prospective investors should carefully consider the following factors, in addition to the matters set forth elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum, prior to investing in any Class of Securities.*

### **Investor Suitability**

An investment in the Securities will not be appropriate or suitable for all investors. Structured investment products, like the Securities, are complex instruments, and typically involve a high degree of risk and are intended for sale only to sophisticated investors who are capable of understanding and assuming the risks involved. Any investor purchasing Securities should conduct its own investigation and analysis of an investment in the Securities and consult with its own professional advisors as to the risks involved in making such investment.

### **General; Priorities of Securities**

The Issuer intends to invest in securities and other financial assets with certain risk characteristics as provided in the Indenture and the Management Agreement. See "Security for the Notes and the Combination Securities." There can be no assurance that the Issuer's investments will be successful, that its investment objectives will be achieved, that investors will receive their initial investments under the Securities or that they will receive any return (or avoid any loss, including total loss) on their investment in the Securities. Prospective investors are therefore advised to review this entire Offering Memorandum carefully and should consider, among other things, the following risk factors (along with, among other things, the inherent risks of investment activities) before deciding whether to invest in the Securities.

Except as is otherwise stated below, the risk factors are generally applicable to all the Securities, although the degree of risk associated with each Class of Securities may vary. In particular, the priorities of payment of the Notes are generally in the order of their alphabetic designation from the Class A-1 Notes (the highest priority) to the Class D Notes (the lowest priority), and the priorities of payment of the Notes are generally higher than priorities of payment of the Preference Shares.

### **Relating to the Securities**

#### *The Securities Will Have Limited Liquidity*

There is currently no market for the Securities. There can be no assurance that a secondary market for any Class of Securities will develop, or if a secondary market does develop, that it will provide the Holders of the applicable Class of Securities with liquidity of investment or that it will continue for the life of such Class of Securities. In addition, each Class of Securities is subject to certain transfer restrictions and can only be transferred to certain transferees as described under "Transfer Restrictions." The restrictions on the transfer of the Securities may further limit their liquidity. Consequently, an investor in the Securities must be prepared to hold such Securities until their Stated Maturity or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. In addition, the Securities will not be registered under the Securities Act or any state securities laws, and the Co-Issuers have no plans, and are under no obligation, to register the Securities under the Securities Act. Application will be made for each Class of the Securities to be admitted to the official list of the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange. There can be no assurance that any such admission will be granted or maintained.

*The Subordination of the Class A-2 Notes, Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares Will Affect Their Right to Payment in Relation to the More Senior Securities*

The Class A-2 Notes are pari passu in right of payment of interest with, and are subordinated in right of payment of principal to, the Class A-1 Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. No payments of principal of the Class A-2 Notes will be made until principal of the Class A-1 Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

The Class B Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class B Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and certain other amounts (including certain management fees payable to the Portfolio Manager, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class B Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

The Class C Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class C Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes and certain other amounts (including certain management fees payable to the Portfolio Manager, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class C Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class C Deferred Interest.

The Class D Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class D Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and certain other amounts (including certain management fees payable to the Portfolio Manager, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class D Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class D Deferred Interest and the use of Interest Proceeds to pay principal of the Class D Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class D Coverage Tests.

No payments will be made out of Interest Proceeds on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date until due and unpaid interest on the Notes (including any Deferred Interest) and certain amounts (including certain amounts due under the Hedge Agreements, certain management fees payable to the Portfolio Manager, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid on the Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments. No payments will be made out of Principal Proceeds on the Preference Shares until principal of each Class of Notes and certain other amounts payable out of Principal Proceeds on each Payment Date have been paid in full. In addition, the Preference Shares will not be redeemed until each Class of Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

In addition, the Co-Issuers will have only nominal equity capitalization. Consequently, to the extent that any losses are suffered by any of the Holders of any Securities, the losses will be borne first by the Holders of the Preference Shares, and then by the Holders of each Class of Notes, serially in inverse order of their alphabetic (and, in the case of the Class A Notes, numeric) designations.

For purposes of subordination, the Combination Securities will not be treated as a separate Class, but the Class 1 Note Component will be treated as Class C Notes and the Preference Share Components will be treated as Preference Shares.

See "Description of the Securities."

*Interest Will Be Deferred on Deferred Interest Notes if There Are Insufficient Funds under the Priority of Payments for Payment of Interest*

So long as any Class A Notes or Class B Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class C Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes as Class C Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class C Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds.

So long as any Class A Notes, Class B Notes or Class C Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class D Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes as Class D Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class D Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds.

*Interest Proceeds May Be Used to Reinvest in Priority to any Payments to Holders of Preference Shares*

If the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test is not met on any Determination Date, a portion of the Interest Proceeds that might otherwise have been paid to the Holders of the Preference Shares on the related Payment Date will instead be deposited into the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds, as described under clause (13) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds."

*The Controlling Class Will Control Many Rights under the Indenture; However, Some Rights of the Controlling Class to Sell the Collateral in Connection with an Event of Default Are Limited*

Under the Indenture, many rights of the Holders of the Notes will be controlled by a Majority of the Controlling Class. Remedies pursued by the Holders of the Controlling Class upon an Event of Default could be adverse to the interests of the Holders of Securities subordinated to the Controlling Class. After any realization on the Collateral, proceeds will be allocated in accordance with the Priority of Payments pursuant to which the Notes and certain other amounts owing by the Co-Issuers will be paid in full before any allocation to the Preference Shares, and each Class of Notes (along with certain other amounts owing by the Co-Issuers) will be paid serially in alphabetic (and, in the case of the Class A Notes, numeric) order until it is paid in full before any allocation is made to the next Class of Notes.

However, the ability of the Controlling Class to direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral is subject to certain limitations. As described under "Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default," if an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee must retain the Collateral intact and collect all payments in respect of the Collateral and continue making payments in accordance with the Priority of Payments and in accordance with the Indenture unless either (A) the Trustee determines that

the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds," and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination or (B) either (x) the Holders of a Majority of each of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes or (y) (A) in the event the Aggregate Principal Balance is less than 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes or (B) if an Event of Default under clause (a) of the definition thereof has occurred and is continuing, a Super Majority of the Holders of the Controlling Class direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral.

*The Issuer is Highly Leveraged, which Increases Risks to Investors*

The Issuer will be substantially leveraged. Use of leverage is a speculative investment technique and involves certain risks to investors in the Securities. The leverage provided to the Issuer by the issuance of the Securities will result in interest expense and other costs incurred in connection with the borrowings that may not be covered by the net interest income, dividends and appreciation of the Collateral Obligations. The use of leverage generally magnifies the Issuer's risk of loss, particularly for the more subordinate Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares. In certain circumstances, such as in connection with the exercise of remedies following an Event of Default, the Controlling Class may require the Issuer to dispose of some or all of the Collateral Obligations under unfavorable market conditions, thus causing the Issuer to recognize a loss that might not otherwise have occurred. In certain circumstances, the Controlling Class are entitled to direct the sales of Collateral Obligations and may be expected to do so in their own interest, rather than in the interests of the more subordinate Classes of Securities.

*The Issuer Is Newly Formed, Has No Significant Operating History, Has No Material Assets Other than the Collateral and Is Limited in its Permitted Activities*

The Issuer is a newly formed entity and has no significant operating history, other than in connection with the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations during the period up to the Ramp-Up Completion Date. The Issuer will have no material assets other than the Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral. The Indenture provides that the Issuer is not permitted to engage in any business activity other than the issuance of the Notes, the Combination Securities, the Preference Shares and the Issuer Ordinary Shares, the acquisition and disposition of and investment and reinvestment in Collateral Obligations, certain activities conducted in connection with the payment of amounts in respect of the Securities and the management of the Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral, and other activities incidental or related to the foregoing. Income derived from the Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral will be the Issuer's principal source of cash.

*The Co-Issuer Is Newly Formed, Has No Significant Operating History, Has No Material Assets, and Is Limited in its Permitted Activities*

The Co-Issuer is a newly formed Delaware corporation and has no prior operating history. The Co-Issuer will have no material assets. The Indenture provides that the Co-Issuer is not permitted to engage in any business activity other than the co-issuance and sale of the Notes, the issuance of its share capital, and other activities incidental or related to the foregoing.

*The Notes Are Limited Recourse Obligations; Investors Must Rely on Available Collections from the Collateral and Will Have No Other Source for Payment*

The Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuers. The Securities are payable solely from the Collateral pledged by the Issuer to secure the Notes. None of the security holders, members, officers, directors, partners, or incorporators of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agent, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Administrator, the Share Registrar, the Share Trustee, any of their respective affiliates, or any other person will be obligated to make payments on the Notes. The Issuer's ability to make interest payments and principal repayments on the Notes will be constrained by the terms of the Indenture. Holders of the Notes must rely solely on collections received on the Collateral pledged to secure the Notes and for the payment of interest and principal on the Notes, and there can be no assurance that those collections will be sufficient to pay all amounts due on the Notes. If distributions on the Collateral are insufficient to make payments on the Notes, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and, following liquidation of all of the Collateral, the Co-Issuers will not have any obligation to pay any deficiency, which shall be extinguished and shall not revive.

*The Combination Securities Are Limited Recourse Obligations; Investors Must Rely on Available Collections from the Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral and Will Have No Other Source for Payment.*

The Combination Securities are limited recourse obligations of the Issuer. The Combination Securities are payable solely from the Collateral pledged by the Issuer to secure the Securities and, in the case of the Class 2 Combination Securities, from the Class 2 Collateral pledged by the Issuer to secure the Class 2 Component. None of the security holders, members, officers, directors, partners, or incorporators of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agent, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Administrator, the Share Registrar, the Share Trustee, any of their respective affiliates, or any other person will be obligated to make payments on the Combination Securities. The Issuer's ability to make payments on the Combination Securities will be constrained by the terms of the Indenture. Holders of the Combination Securities must rely solely on collections received on the Collateral pledged to secure the Securities and, with respect to the Class 2 Combination Securities, on the Class 2 Collateral pledged to secure the Class 2 Component, and there can be no assurance that those collections will be sufficient to pay all amounts due on the Combination Securities. If distributions on the Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral (solely with respect to the Class 2 Component of the Class 2 Combination Securities) are insufficient to make payments on the Combination Securities, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and, following liquidation of all of the Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral (solely with respect to the Class 2 Component of the Class 2 Combination Securities), the Issuer will not have any obligation to pay any deficiency, which shall be extinguished and shall not revive.

*The Preference Shares are not Secured Obligations; Investors Must Rely on Available Collections from the Collateral and Will Have No Other Source for Payment*

The Preference Shares will be part of the issued share capital of the Issuer. The Preference Shares are equity in the Issuer and are not secured by the Collateral Obligations or other Collateral securing the Notes. As such, the Holders of Preference Shares will rank behind all creditors, whether secured or unsecured and known or unknown, of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the holders of the Notes and any Hedge Counterparties. Except with respect to the obligations of the Issuer to pay the amounts described under the "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" and "—Principal Proceeds", the Issuer does not, however, expect to have any creditors though there can be no assurance that this will be the case. In addition, the Issuer is also subject to limitations with respect to the business that it may undertake. See "The Co-Issuers—Business." Payments in respect of the Preference Shares are subject to certain requirements imposed by Cayman Islands law. Any amounts paid

by the Preference Shares Paying Agent as dividends on the Preference Shares will be payable only if the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or balance in the Issuer's share premium account. In addition, dividends and the final payment upon redemption of the Preference Shares will be payable only to the extent that the Issuer is and will remain solvent after such dividends or redemption payment is paid. Under Cayman Islands law, a company is generally deemed to be solvent if it is able to pay its debts as they come due.

The Issuer's obligation to pay dividends or to make other distributions to the Holders of the Preference Shares will therefore not be a secured obligation of the Issuer and such Holders will not be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture, nor will the Trustee have any obligation to act on behalf of the Holders of Preference Shares. Holders of the Preference Shares will only be entitled to receive amounts available for payment of dividends or other distributions after payment of all amounts payable on each Class of Notes and certain other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments and only to the extent of distributable profits of the Issuer and/or any balance in the Issuer's share premium account and (in each case) only to the extent that the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distributions.

To the extent the requirements under Cayman Islands law described in the preceding paragraphs are not met, amounts otherwise payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares will be retained in the Preference Shares Distribution Account until, in the case of dividends, the next succeeding Payment Date on which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent such requirements are met and, in the case of any payment on redemption of the Preference Shares, the next succeeding Business Day on which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent such requirements are met. Amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account will not be available to pay amounts due to the Holders of the Notes, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Portfolio Manager, any Hedge Counterparty or any other creditor of the Issuer whose claim is limited in recourse to the Collateral. However, amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account may be subject to the claims of creditors of the Issuer that have not contractually limited their recourse to the Collateral. The Indenture and the Preference Share Documents will limit the Issuer's activities to the issuance and sale of the Securities, the acquisition and disposition of, and investment and reinvestment in, the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments and the other activities related to the issuance and sale of the Securities described under the "The Co-Issuers." The Issuer therefore does not expect to have any significant full recourse liabilities that would be payable out of the amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

*The Issuer May Not Be Able to Invest and Reinvest Available Funds in Appropriate Collateral*

The amount of Collateral Obligations purchased on the Closing Date, the amount and timing of the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations before the Ramp-Up Completion Date, and the subsequent reinvestment of Principal Proceeds, will affect the cash flows available to make payments on, and the return to the Holders of, the Securities. Reduced liquidity and relatively lower volumes of trading in certain Collateral Obligations, in addition to restrictions on investment represented by the Eligibility Criteria, could result in periods during which the Issuer is not able to fully invest its available cash in Collateral Obligations, and it is unlikely that the Issuer's available cash will be fully invested in Collateral Obligations at any time. The longer the period before reinvestment of cash or cash-equivalents in Collateral Obligations and the larger the amount of uninvested cash or cash equivalents, the greater the adverse impact may be on aggregate interest collected and distributed by the Issuer, thereby resulting in lower yield than could have been obtained if the net proceeds associated with the offering of the Securities and all Principal Proceeds were immediately and fully reinvested. The associated reinvestment risk on the Collateral Obligations will be borne first by the Holders of the Preference Shares and second by the Holders of the Notes (beginning with the most subordinated Class of Notes). Although the Portfolio Manager may mitigate this risk to some degree during the Reinvestment Period by declaring a Special Redemption, the Portfolio Manager is not required to do so, and any Special Redemption may result in a lower yield on the Issuer's assets than could have been obtained if the net proceeds from the



offering of the Securities and all Principal Proceeds were immediately and fully reinvested and no Special Redemption had taken place.

Generally, Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations, and Sale Proceeds received on the Collateral Obligations) will be reinvested during the Reinvestment Period (and, Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations, may be invested on any date after the Reinvestment Period, at the discretion of the Portfolio Manager) in substitute Collateral Obligations or temporarily reinvested in the Eligible Investments pending reinvestment in substitute Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The earnings with respect to substitute Collateral Obligations will depend, among other factors, on reinvestment rates available in the marketplace at the time and on the availability of investments acceptable to the Portfolio Manager that satisfy the criteria under "Security for the Notes and the Combination Securities—Eligibility Criteria." The need to satisfy the criteria and identify acceptable investments may require the purchase of substitute Collateral Obligations having lower yields than those initially acquired or require that Principal Proceeds be held temporarily in cash or Eligible Investments, which will reduce the yield earned by the Issuer. Further, issuers of Collateral Obligations may be more likely to exercise any rights they may have to redeem them when interest rates or spreads are declining. Any decrease in the yield on the Collateral Obligations will reduce the amounts available to make payments of principal and interest on the Notes and payments on the Preference Shares.

The Issuer expects that, as of the Closing Date, it will have purchased (or entered into commitments to purchase) at least \$698,300,000 in Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations to be included in the anticipated portfolio as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

*Changes in Tax Law Could Result in the Imposition of Withholding Taxes with Respect to Payments on the Securities, and the Issuer Will Not Gross-Up Payments to Holders*

Although no withholding tax is currently imposed by the United States or the Cayman Islands on payments on the Securities, there can be no assurance that, as a result of any change in any applicable law, treaty, rule, regulation, or interpretation thereof, the payments with respect to the Securities would not in the future become subject to withholding taxes. If any withholding tax is imposed on payments on any Securities, the Issuer will not "gross up" payments to their Holders.

*The Securities Are Subject to Substantial Transfer Restrictions*

The Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act, under any U.S. state securities or "Blue Sky" laws, or under the securities laws of any other jurisdiction and are being issued and sold in reliance upon exemptions from registration provided by those laws. No Securities may be sold or transferred unless: the sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act (for example, in reliance on exemptions provided by Rule 144A or Regulation S) and applicable state securities laws; and the sale or transfer does not cause either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral to become subject to the registration requirements of the Investment Company Act. See "Transfer Restrictions" and "ERISA Considerations."

*Non-Compliance with Restrictions on Ownership of the Securities under the United States Investment Company Act of 1940 Could Adversely Affect the Issuer*

Neither of the Co-Issuers has registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") as an investment company pursuant to the Investment Company Act. The Issuer has not so registered in reliance on an exclusion from the definition of "investment company" for companies organized under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States or any of its states: (i) whose investors residing in the United States are solely "qualified purchasers" (within the meaning given

to such term in the Investment Company Act and related SEC regulations); and (ii) that do not make a public offering of their securities in the United States. No opinion or no-action position with respect to the registration of either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral under the Investment Company Act has been requested of, or received from, the SEC.

If the SEC or a court of competent jurisdiction were to find that the Issuer or the Co-Issuer is required, but in violation of the Investment Company Act had failed, to register as an investment company, possible consequences include the following: (i) the SEC could apply to a district court to enjoin the violation; (ii) investors in the Issuer or the Co-Issuer could sue the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, and recover any damages caused by the violation; and (iii) any contract to which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, is party whose performance involves a violation of the Investment Company Act would be unenforceable by any party to the contract unless a court were to find that under the circumstances enforcement would produce a more equitable result than non-enforcement and would not be inconsistent with the purposes of the Investment Company Act.

In addition, the Issuer's being required to register as an investment company would result in an Event of Default. See "Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default." Should the Issuer or the Co-Issuer be subjected to any or all of the foregoing, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, would be materially and adversely affected.

*The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary*

The Stated Maturity of the Notes is the Payment Date in November, 2017 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date. The weighted average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years until their Stated Maturity. See "Description of the Securities." The weighted average life of a Class of Notes will be affected by the amount and timing of payments of principal of the Notes and the amount and timing of payments received on the Collateral Obligations. The amount and timing of payments of principal on the Notes will be affected by, among other things, any Optional Redemption of the Notes, a failure of any Coverage Test, a Rating Confirmation Failure, any failure by the Portfolio Manager to invest or reinvest uninvested proceeds of the offering of the Securities in Collateral Obligations, a redemption of the Securities made in connection with a Tax Event, any Special Redemption of one or more Classes of Notes, and an Event of Default by the Issuer in the payment of the Notes and an acceleration of the principal of the Notes in connection with an Event of Default. The occurrence of any of the foregoing unscheduled principal repayments of the Notes is, in turn, determined by the amount and timing of payments on the Collateral, which will be dependent on, among other things, the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral and the characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, including the existence and frequency of exercise of any prepayment, optional redemption, or sinking fund features, the prevailing level of interest rates, the redemption price, the actual default rate and the actual level of recoveries on any Defaulted Collateral Obligations, the frequency of tender or exchange offers for the Collateral Obligations and any sales of Collateral Obligations, dividends or other distributions received on any obligations that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange do not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, as well as the risks unique to investments in obligations of foreign issuers. See "Security for the Notes and the Combination Securities."

*A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected.*

Under the Indenture, the Issuer, if directed by the Portfolio Manager, shall be entitled, on each Extension Effective Date, to extend the Reinvestment Period (a maximum of four times) to the applicable Extended Reinvestment Period End Date if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Reinvestment Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. Under the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents, if the Reinvestment Period is so extended, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Class 1 Combination Securities (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) will be equally extended and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended without the requirement for any approval or consent of any Holders of Securities. Holders of Securities (other than the Holders of Class A-1 Notes to the extent provided in the Extension Conditions) will not be able to prevent or prohibit the extension of the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Class 1 Combination Securities (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) so long as the Extension Conditions are satisfied, which include the ability of Holders of Securities to sell their Securities at the designated purchase price to a designated purchaser under the Indenture. However, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Indenture provides that Holders of Preference Shares that have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% as of the Extension Effective Date will not receive any payment in exchange for their Preference Shares sold in connection with a Maturity Extension.

The Class 2 Combination Securities are not subject to sale in connection with a Maturity Extension. Although the Scheduled Preference Share Redemption Date of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 2 Combination Security Preference Share Component is subject to extension, the Stated Maturity of the Class 2 Combination Securities is not subject to extension. A Holder of Class 2 Combination Securities may request that the Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Component of such Class 2 Combination Securities be distributed to such Holder and, upon such distribution, the Holder may then subject the Preference Shares so distributed to sale as Extension Sale Securities. In such circumstance, the Class 2 Combination Securities held by such Holder will only be comprised of the Class 2 Component.

As a consequence, if the Portfolio Manager elects to extend the Reinvestment Period and the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Holders of the Securities (other than the Class 2 Combination Securities) may either be required to hold their Securities for a significantly longer period of time or be forced to sell their Securities (other than the Class 2 Combination Securities) for the applicable purchase price under the Indenture, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Securities.

*An Amendment Buy-Out May Result in a Shorter Holding Period Than Expected.*

Any Non-Consenting Holder of Securities (other than the Class 2 Combination Securities) with respect to an amendment of the Indenture (which includes Holders that fail to respond to a consent solicitation within the applicable period) may be forced to sell its applicable Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Securities; *provided* that, during the Non-Call Period, the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes shall not be subject to an Amendment Buy-Out unless written consent has been provided by such Holders to the designation as a "Non-Consenting Holder". In the event that Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities do not consent to a supplemental indenture, the Class 2 Combination Securities shall not be subject to the Amendment Buy-Out. However, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to cause the Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Component of the Class 2 Combination Securities be distributed to such Holder and,

upon such distribution, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser may then subject the Preference Shares so distributed to the Amendment Buy-Out. In the case of the Preference Shares, the Indenture provides that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price will be zero for Non-Consenting Holders that have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% as of the Amendment Buy-Out Date. See "Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out." A Holder's ability to vote against an amendment or affect or influence the amendment process with respect to the Indenture may thus be limited. The Amendment Buy-Out Option may also increase the ability of the Portfolio Manager to affect or influence the amendment process.

*The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests*

If any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied on any Determination Date on which the Notes of the relevant Class are Outstanding, Interest Proceeds available on the related Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments (and, to the extent Interest Proceeds are insufficient, Principal Proceeds available on the Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments) are required to be applied to pay principal of such Class of Notes (and any Classes senior to it) to the extent necessary for the relevant Coverage Test to be satisfied. The application of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to pay principal of the Notes to the extent necessary to restore the Coverage Tests to certain minimum required levels could result in an elimination, deferral or reduction in the amounts available to make distributions on the Preference Shares and interest and principal payments on one or more Classes of Notes, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of the Securities.

*The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure*

If any rating of any Class of Notes is reduced or withdrawn or placed on credit watch with negative implications by the Business Day after the 29<sup>th</sup> day after the Ramp-Up Completion Date by either Rating Agency, Interest Proceeds and, if Interest Proceeds are insufficient, Principal Proceeds, are required to be diverted in accordance with the Priority of Payments and used to pay the principal of the Notes sequentially in order of their relative priority on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date after that until each rating is reinstated. The application of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to pay principal of the Notes to the extent necessary for one or more ratings to be reinstated could result in an elimination, deferral, or reduction in one or more payments or distributions on one or more Classes of Securities, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of those Classes of Securities.

*The Indenture Permits Special Redemption of Notes Based on the Portfolio Manager's Inability to Identify Investments*

The Portfolio Manager is permitted under the Indenture to elect to have all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be invested in additional Collateral Obligations applied to a Special Redemption of the Notes, in whole or in part, on one or more Payment Dates during the Reinvestment Period because it has been unable, for a period of at least 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the investment or reinvestment of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be invested in additional Collateral Obligations. On the Special Redemption Date, in accordance with the Indenture, the Special Redemption Amount will be applied in accordance with "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds," to the extent available (which includes for this purpose uninvested proceeds specified by the Portfolio Manager), to pay the principal of the Notes. The application of funds in that manner could result in an elimination, deferral, or reduction of amounts available to make payments on Securities subordinate in priority to the Securities being amortized. See "Description of the Securities—Special Redemption of Notes If the Portfolio Manager Does Not Identify Investments as Contemplated by the Indenture."

*The Notes Are Subject to Optional Redemption*

Subject to satisfaction of certain conditions, on any Payment Date upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the Holders of at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares or, upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, a Majority of the Controlling Class (but only if the Aggregate Principal Balance is less than 100% of the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes) may require that the Notes be redeemed as described under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption." In the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Portfolio Manager may be required to aggregate Collateral Obligations to be sold together in one block transaction, thereby possibly resulting in a lower realized value for the Collateral Obligations sold. There can be no assurance that the market value of the Collateral will be sufficient for the Holders of the Preference Shares to direct an Optional Redemption of the Notes. A decrease in the market value of the Collateral would adversely affect the Sale Proceeds from their sale. Consequently, the conditions precedent to the exercise of an Optional Redemption may not be met. Moreover, the Holders of the Notes may not be able to invest the proceeds of the redemption of the Notes in investments providing a return equal to or greater than the Holders of the Notes expected to obtain from their investment in the Notes.

*Future Ratings of the Notes and the Combination Securities Are Not Assured and Limited in Scope; the Preference Shares Are Not Rated*

It is a condition to the issuance of the Securities that the Notes and the Combination Securities be rated as provided under "Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities." A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and is subject to revision or withdrawal at any time. There is no assurance that a rating will remain for any given period or that a rating will not be lowered or withdrawn entirely by each Rating Agency if in its judgment circumstances in the future so warrant. Any such action could have an adverse effect on the Holders of the relevant Class of Securities. If a rating initially assigned to a Class of Notes and the Combination Securities is subsequently lowered for any reason, no person is obligated to provide any additional credit support or credit enhancement.

No rating of the Preference Shares will be sought or obtained in connection with their issuance.

*Events Outside the Control of the Co-Issuers and the Portfolio Manager Can Affect the Securities*

Various acts of God, force majeure, and certain other events beyond the control of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Collateral Administrator, the Indenture Registrar, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Administrator could affect the ability of financial institutions to process payments and transfer funds and could impair the financial records and record-keeping practices of financial institutions and others (including the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Collateral Administrator, the Indenture Registrar, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Administrator). In addition, the existence of those circumstances could cause lenders and other creditors more readily to agree to restructure debt obligations (including payment terms) than they would in the absence of those circumstances. The existence of those circumstances could adversely affect the ability of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, to make timely payments on the Securities.

**Relating to the Portfolio Manager***The Issuer Will Depend on the Managerial Expertise Available to the Portfolio Manager and its Key Personnel*

The performance of the Issuer's investment portfolio depends heavily on the skills of the Portfolio Manager in analyzing, selecting and managing the Collateral Obligations. As a result, the Issuer will be highly dependent on the financial and managerial experience of certain investment professionals associated with the Portfolio Manager, none of whom is under a contractual obligation to the Issuer to

continue to be associated with the Portfolio Manager for the term of this transaction. The loss of one or more of these individuals could have a material adverse effect on the performance of the Co-Issuers. Furthermore, the Portfolio Manager has informed the Issuer that these investment professionals are also actively involved in other investment activities and will not be able to devote all of their time to the Issuer's business and affairs. In addition, individuals not currently associated with the Portfolio Manager may become associated with the Portfolio Manager and the performance of the Collateral Obligations may also depend on the financial and managerial experience of such individuals. See "The Management Agreement" and "The Portfolio Manager."

*The Issuer Will Have Limited Control of the Administration and Amendment of Collateral Obligations*

The Portfolio Manager will cause the Issuer to exercise or enforce, or refrain from exercising or enforcing, its rights in connection with the Collateral Obligations or any related documents or will refuse amendments or waivers of the terms of any Collateral Obligation and related documents in accordance with its ordinary business practices as if the Portfolio Manager were administering the Collateral Obligations for its own account. The authority of the Portfolio Manager to cause the Issuer to change the terms of the Collateral Obligations will generally not be restricted by the Indenture or the Management Agreement. As a result, the Issuer will be relying on the Portfolio Manager's customary standards, policies and procedures with respect to the servicing of the Collateral Obligations. The Holders of the Securities and the Issuer will not have any right to compel the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager to take or refrain from taking any actions other than in accordance with its ordinary business practices.

In addition, when the Issuer holds a Participation, the Issuer generally will have no right to enforce compliance by the borrower with the loan or credit agreement or other instrument evidencing the related loan obligation, no rights of set-off against the borrower, no direct interest in the collateral supporting the loan obligation, and no right to vote with respect to amendments of, or waivers of defaults under, the loan obligation. However, most participation agreements relating to Participations in loans provide that the Participating Institution may not vote in favor of any amendment, modification, or waiver that forgives principal, interest, or fees; reduces principal, interest, or fees that are payable; postpones any payment of principal (whether a scheduled payment or a mandatory prepayment), interest or fees; or releases any material guarantee or security without the consent of the participant (at least to the extent the participant would be affected by the amendment, modification, or waiver). A Participating Institution voting in connection with a potential waiver of a default by an obligor may have interests different from those of the Issuer, and the Participating Institution might not consider the interests of the Issuer in connection with its vote. In addition, many participation agreements relating to Participations in loans that do provide voting rights to the participant further provide that if the participant does not vote in favor of amendments, modifications, or waivers, the Participating Institution may repurchase the Participation at par. In the event of the insolvency of the Participating Institution, the Issuer may be treated as a general creditor of the Participating Institution with respect to a Participation and may not benefit from any set-off between the Participating Institution and the borrower and may not be able to proceed against the collateral supporting the loan obligation. As a result, the Issuer is subject to the credit risk of both the borrower and the Participating Institution. An investment by the Issuer in a Synthetic Security related to a Loan involves many of the same considerations relevant to Participations. See "—Relating to the Collateral Obligations—Investing in Loans Involves Particular Risks" and "—Investing in Synthetic Securities Involves Particular Risks" below.

A modification that would increase the commitment of a lender, reduce the interest rate, or postpone the final maturity of an obligation under a participation agreement, or release all of the collateral for an obligation, generally requires the affirmative vote of the participating lender for a loan in which the Issuer owns a Participation, or of the Issuer for a Loan purchased by assignment, for the increase, reduction, or postponement to be binding. The exercise of remedies may also be subject to the vote of a specified percentage of the lenders under the loan obligation. The Portfolio Manager will have the

authority to cause the Issuer to consent to certain amendments, waivers, or modifications to the Collateral Obligations requested by obligors or the lead agents for participation agreements relating to Participations (subject to operating procedures intended to reduce the risk that the Issuer would be deemed to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States for United States federal income tax purposes). The Portfolio Manager may, subject to the transaction documents, cause the Issuer to extend or defer the maturity, adjust the outstanding balance of any Collateral Obligation, reduce or forgive interest or fees, release material collateral or guarantees, or otherwise amend, modify, or waive the terms of any related loan agreement, including its payment terms. The Portfolio Manager will make determinations in accordance with its servicing standards under the Management Agreement. Any amendment, waiver, or modification of a Collateral Obligation could postpone the expected maturity of the Notes or the expected redemption date of the Preference Shares, or reduce the likelihood of timely and complete payment of interest or principal under the Notes or a full return of an investment in the Preference Shares.

*Performance History of the Portfolio Manager May Not Be Indicative of Future Results*

Any prior investment results of the Portfolio Manager, and the persons associated with it or any other entity may not be indicative of the Issuer's future investment results. The nature of, and risks associated with, the Issuer's future investments may differ substantially from those investments and strategies undertaken historically by the Portfolio Manager, and the persons associated with it or any other entity. There can be no assurance that the Issuer's investments will perform as well as the past investments of the Portfolio Manager, and the persons associated with it or any other entity. Moreover, since the investment criteria that govern investments in the Collateral Obligations do not govern the Portfolio Manager's investments and investment strategies generally, investments in the Collateral Obligations conducted in accordance with the investment criteria that govern investments in the Collateral Obligations, and the results they yield, may differ substantially from other investments undertaken by the Portfolio Manager.

Notwithstanding the inapplicability of the results obtained and expected to be obtained from the past investments of the Portfolio Manager, a period of increased volatility in market conditions, including interest rate environments, can have an adverse effect on the realized and unrealized returns to investors in the past investments of the Portfolio Manager. There can be no assurance that current economic conditions and the effects of increased interest rate and corresponding price volatility will not adversely impact the investment returns ultimately realized by investors or continued compliance with, among other things, applicable coverage requirements described in this Offering Memorandum.

*Right of Portfolio Manager to Avoid Removal Without Cause May Result in a Shorter Holding Period of the Preference Shares Than Expected.*

The Portfolio Manager may be removed without cause upon 90 days' prior written notice by the Issuer, at the direction of the Holders of at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares (excluding Preference Shares held by the Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates or any account for which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority at the time of such vote); *provided, however*, that the Portfolio Manager shall have the right to avoid such removal if, in accordance with the terms described in "The Management Agreement," the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser purchases not less than all of the Directing Preference Shares and all of the Combination Securities relating to the Preference Share Component which constitute a part of the Directing Preference Shares. Upon the occurrence of such purchase by the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser of all of the Directing Preference Shares and all of the Combination Securities relating to the Preference Share Component which constitute a part of the Directing Preference Shares, the Holders of such Directing Preference Shares or Combination Securities, as the case may be, will be forced to sell their Preference Shares to the Portfolio Manager at the Buy-Out Amount, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Preference Shares or Combination Securities, as the case may be. However, the Management Agreement provides that the Buy-Out Amount will be zero for Directing Preference Shares

that have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% as of the purchase date. See "The Management Agreement." The ability of a Holder of Preference Shares to remove the Portfolio Manager or affect or influence the removal of the Portfolio Manager may thus be limited.

### **Relating to the Collateral Obligations**

#### *In General, the Collateral Obligations Are Subject to Various Risks*

The Collateral Obligations are subject to credit, liquidity, and interest rate risks, among others. The Eligibility Criteria and the Collateral Quality Tests have been established to address certain assumed deficiencies in payment occasioned by defaults with respect to the Collateral Obligations. If any deficiencies exceed certain modeled scenarios, however, payments or distributions on the Securities could be adversely affected. To the extent that a default occurs with respect to any Collateral Obligation securing the Notes and the Issuer (on the advice of the Portfolio Manager) sells or otherwise disposes of the Collateral Obligation, it is not likely that the proceeds of the sale or other disposition will be equal to the amount of principal and interest owing to the Issuer on the Collateral Obligation.

The value of the Collateral Obligations generally will fluctuate with, among other things, the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral Obligations and, with respect to Synthetic Securities, both the financial condition of the related Synthetic Security counterparties and the obligors on or issuers of the Reference Obligations, general economic conditions, the condition of certain financial markets, political events, developments or trends in any particular industry, and changes in prevailing interest rates.

The ability of the Issuer to sell Collateral Obligations before their maturity is subject to certain restrictions under the Indenture including those described under "Security for the Notes and the Combination Securities—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Reinvestment of Principal Proceeds and Reinvestment Criteria."

#### *Investing in Below Investment-Grade Obligations Involves Particular Risks*

A substantial amount of the Collateral Obligations will consist of loans, bonds and other obligations that are below investment grade, including high-yield loans and securities. Those Collateral Obligations will have greater credit and liquidity risk than investment grade obligations. They are also often unsecured and may be subordinated to certain other obligations of their issuer. The lower rating of those Collateral Obligations reflects a greater possibility that adverse changes in the financial condition of an issuer or in general economic conditions or both may impair the ability of their issuer to make payments of principal or interest. These Collateral Obligations may be speculative.

Risks of below investment-grade Collateral Obligations may include (among others):

- (i) limited liquidity and secondary market support;
- (ii) in the case of fixed-rate high-yield debt securities, substantial market place volatility resulting from changes in prevailing interest rates;
- (iii) subordination to the prior claims of senior lenders and creditors;
- (iv) the operation of mandatory sinking fund or call and redemption provisions during periods of declining interest rates that could cause the Issuer to reinvest premature redemption proceeds in lower-yielding debt obligations;



- (v) the possibility that earnings of the below investment-grade issuer may be insufficient to meet its debt service; and
- (vi) the declining creditworthiness and potential for insolvency of a below investment-grade issuer during periods of rising interest rates and economic downturn.

An economic downturn or an increase in interest rates could severely disrupt the market for below investment-grade obligations and could adversely affect the value of outstanding below investment-grade obligations and the ability of their issuers to repay principal and interest.

Issuers that are below investment grade may be highly leveraged and may not have available to them more traditional methods of financing. The risk associated with obligations of below investment-grade issuers is generally greater than is the case with investment grade issuers. For example, during an economic downturn or a sustained period of rising interest rates, below investment-grade issuers may be more likely to experience financial stress, especially if they are highly leveraged. During those periods, timely service of debt obligations may also be adversely affected by specific issuer developments, or the issuer's inability to meet specific projected business forecasts or the unavailability of additional financing. The risk of loss from default by the issuer is significantly greater for the holders of below investment-grade obligations because those obligations may be unsecured and may be subordinated to obligations owed to other creditors of the issuer. In addition, the Issuer may incur additional expenses to the extent it is required to seek recovery upon a default on such an obligation or participate in its restructuring.

As a result of the limited liquidity of below investment-grade obligations, their prices have at times experienced significant and rapid decline when a substantial number of holders decided to sell. In addition, the Issuer may have difficulty disposing of certain below investment-grade obligations because there may be a thin trading market for them. To the extent that a secondary trading market for below investment-grade obligations does exist, it is generally not as liquid as the secondary market for highly rated obligations. Reduced secondary market liquidity may have an adverse impact on the Issuer's ability to dispose of particular Collateral Obligations in response to a specific economic event, such as a deterioration in the creditworthiness of the issuer of the Collateral Obligation.

#### *Investing in Loans Involves Particular Risks*

The Collateral Obligations will consist primarily of Dollar-denominated senior secured and senior unsecured loans, which are required by the Indenture to be obligations of corporations, partnerships, or other entities organized under the laws of the United States (or any of its states) or of foreign obligors meeting specified criteria, or Synthetic Securities the Reference Obligations of which are such loans. See "Security for the Notes—Purchase of Collateral Obligations."

Loans may become non-performing for a variety of reasons. Non-performing loans may require substantial workout negotiations or restructuring that may entail, among other things, a substantial reduction in the interest rate or a substantial write-down of the principal of a loan. In addition, because of the unique and customized nature of a loan agreement and the private syndication of a loan, loans typically may not be purchased or sold as easily as publicly traded securities, and historically the trading volume in the bank term loan market has been small relative to the corporate bond market. Loans may encounter trading delays due to their unique and customized nature, and transfers may require the consent of an agent bank or borrower.

The Issuer may acquire interests in loans either directly (by assignment) or indirectly (by Participation or through Synthetic Securities). The Issuer may not originate any loans. The purchaser of an assignment of a loan obligation typically succeeds to all the rights and obligations of the selling institution and becomes a lender under the loan or credit agreement with respect to the debt obligation. In contrast, a Participation acquired by the Issuer in a portion of a loan obligation held by a Participating

Institution or a security or other debt obligation typically results in a contractual relationship only with the Participating Institution, not with the borrower. The Issuer would have the right to receive payments of principal, interest, and any fees to which it is entitled under a Participation only from the Participating Institution and only upon receipt by the Participating Institution of those payments from the borrower. The Issuer will be subject to restrictions on the amount of Participations that may be acquired for inclusion in the Collateral. See "Security for the Notes and the Combination Securities—Eligibility Criteria."

Certain of the loans in the Issuer's portfolio may be unsecured or secured by collateral worth less than the outstanding balance of the loan. In addition to the general risks associated with loans described above, unsecured loans will not be secured by substantial collateral or any collateral and secured loans may be substantially under-secured. Without collateral and with materially inadequate collateral, the ability of the holder of the loan to recover amounts due from the borrower may be substantially limited.

#### *Investing in Structured Finance Obligations Involves Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of Structured Finance Obligations and Synthetic Securities the Reference Obligations of which are Structured Finance Obligations. Structured Finance Obligations may present risks similar to those of the other types of Collateral Obligations in which the Issuer may invest and, in fact, the risks may be of greater significance in the case of Structured Finance Obligations. Moreover, investing in Structured Finance Obligations may entail a variety of unique risks. Among other risks, Structured Finance Obligations may be subject to prepayment risk, credit risk, liquidity risk, market risk, structural risk, legal risk and interest rate risk (which may be exacerbated if the interest rate payable on a Structured Finance Obligation changes based on multiples of changes in interest rates or inversely to changes in interest rates). In addition, certain Structured Finance Obligations (particularly subordinated collateralized bond obligations) may provide that non-payment of interest is not an event of default in certain circumstances and the holders of the securities will therefore not have available to them any associated default remedies. During the period of non-payment, unpaid interest will generally be capitalized and added to the outstanding principal balance of the related security. Furthermore, the performance of a Structured Finance Obligation will be affected by a variety of factors, including its priority in the capital structure of its issuer the availability of any credit enhancement, the level and timing of payments and recoveries on and the characteristics of the underlying receivables, loans, or other assets that are being securitized, bankruptcy remoteness of those assets from the originator or transferor, the adequacy of and ability to realize on any related collateral, and the skill of the manager of the Structured Finance Obligation in managing securitized assets. The price of a Structured Finance Obligation, if required to be sold, may be subject to certain market and liquidity risks for securities of its type at the time of sale. In addition, Structured Finance Obligations may involve initial and ongoing expenses above the costs associated with the related direct investments.

#### *Investing in Synthetic Securities Involves Particular Risks*

As described above, a portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of Synthetic Securities the Reference Obligations of which are Loans, Structured Finance Obligations or High-Yield Bonds. Investments in these types of assets through the purchase of Synthetic Securities present risks in addition to those inherently associated with direct purchases of such assets. With respect to Synthetic Securities, the Issuer will usually have a contractual relationship only with the counterparty of the Synthetic Security, and not the reference obligor on the Reference Obligation. The Issuer will have no right to enforce compliance by the reference obligor with the Reference Obligation nor any rights of set-off against the reference obligor, nor have any voting or other consensual rights of ownership with respect to the Reference Obligation. The Issuer will not directly benefit from any collateral supporting the Reference Obligation and will not have the benefit of the remedies that would normally be available to a holder of the Reference Obligation.

In addition, in the event of the insolvency of the Synthetic Security Counterparty, the Issuer will be treated as a general creditor of the counterparty and will not have any claim of title with respect to the Reference Obligation. Consequently, the Issuer will be subject to the credit risk of the counterparty as well as that of the reference obligor and concentrations of Synthetic Securities entered into with any one counterparty will subject the Securities to an additional degree of risk with respect to defaults by that counterparty. One or more Affiliates of the Placement Agent may act as counterparty with respect to all or a portion of the Synthetic Securities, which relationship may create certain conflicts of interest. See "*—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Placement Agent*" below. In addition, Synthetic Securities may involve initial and ongoing expenses above the costs associated with the related direct investments. The Issuer will be subject to restrictions on the amount of Synthetic Securities it may own at any one time.

*Some of the Collateral Obligations Will Be Illiquid*

Some of the Collateral Obligations purchased by the Issuer will have no, or only a limited, trading market. The Issuer's investment in illiquid Collateral Obligations may restrict its ability to dispose of investments in a timely fashion and for a fair price, as well as its ability to take advantage of market opportunities, although the Issuer is generally prohibited by the Indenture from selling Collateral Obligations except under certain limited circumstances described under "*Security for the Notes and the Combination Securities—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Reinvestment of Principal Proceeds and Reinvestment Criteria.*" Illiquid Collateral Obligations may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid investments. In addition, the Issuer may invest in privately placed Collateral Obligations that may or may not be freely transferable under the laws of the applicable jurisdiction or due to contractual restrictions on resale, and even if those privately placed Collateral Obligations are transferable, the prices realized from their sale could be less than those originally paid by the Issuer or less than what may be considered their fair value.

*Insolvency Considerations With Respect to Issuers of Collateral Obligations May Affect the Issuer's Rights*

Various laws enacted for the protection of creditors may apply to the Collateral Obligations. If, in a lawsuit brought by a creditor or representative of creditors of an obligor under a Collateral Obligation (such as a trustee in bankruptcy), a court were to find that the obligor did not receive fair consideration or reasonably equivalent value for incurring the indebtedness evidenced by the Collateral Obligation and, after giving effect to the indebtedness and the use of the proceeds thereof, the obligor (i) was insolvent, (ii) was engaged in a business for which the remaining assets of the obligor constituted unreasonably small capital or (iii) intended to incur, or believed that it would incur, debts beyond its ability to pay them as they mature, the court could determine to invalidate, in whole or in part, the indebtedness as a fraudulent conveyance, to subordinate the indebtedness to existing or future creditors of the obligor, or to recover amounts previously paid by the obligor in satisfaction of the indebtedness. There can be no assurance as to what standard a court would apply to determine whether the obligor was "insolvent" or that, regardless of the method of valuation, a court would not determine that the obligor was "insolvent," in each case, after giving effect to the incurrence of the Collateral Obligation and the use of its proceeds. In addition, in the event of the insolvency of an obligor under a Collateral Obligation, payments made on the Collateral Obligation may be subject to avoidance as a "preference" if made within a certain period before insolvency (which may be as long as approximately one year).

In general, if payments on a Collateral Obligation are avoidable, whether as fraudulent conveyances or preferences, the payments can be recaptured either from the initial recipient (such as the Issuer) or from subsequent transferees of the payments (such as the Holders of the Securities). To the extent that any payments are recaptured from the Issuer, the resulting reduction in payments on the Securities will be borne by the Holders of the applicable Class of Securities. A court in a bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding would be able to direct the recapture of any payment from a Holder of the

Securities to the extent that the court has jurisdiction over the Holder or its assets. Since there is no judicial precedent relating to structured securities such as the Securities, there can be no assurance that a Holder of Securities will be able to avoid recapture on this basis.

The preceding discussion is based on principles of United States federal and state laws. Insofar as Collateral Obligations that are obligations of non-United States obligors are concerned, the laws of certain foreign jurisdictions may provide for avoidance remedies under factual circumstances similar to, or broader or narrower than, those described above, with consequences that may or may not be analogous to those described above under United States federal and state laws.

*International Investing Involves Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of obligations of obligors Domiciled outside the United States. Investing outside the United States may involve greater risks than investing in the United States. These risks may include: less publicly available information; varying levels of governmental regulation and supervision; and the difficulty of enforcing legal rights in a foreign jurisdiction and uncertainties as to the status, interpretation and application of laws. Moreover, foreign companies may be subject to accounting, auditing, and financial reporting standards, practices, and requirements different from those applicable to U.S. companies.

There generally is less governmental supervision and regulation of exchanges, brokers and issuers in foreign countries than there is in the United States. For example, there may be no comparable provisions under certain foreign laws with respect to insider trading and similar investor protection securities laws that apply with respect to securities transactions consummated in the United States.

Foreign markets also have different clearance and settlement procedures, and in certain markets there have been times when settlements have failed to keep pace with the volume of securities transactions, making it difficult to conduct transactions. Delays in settlement could result in periods when assets of the Issuer are uninvested and no return is earned on them. The inability of the Issuer to make intended purchases of Collateral Obligations due to settlement problems or the risk of intermediary counterparty failures could cause the Issuer to miss investment opportunities. The inability to dispose of a Collateral Obligation due to settlement problems could result either in losses to the Issuer due to subsequent declines in the value of the Collateral Obligation or, if the Issuer has entered into a contract to sell the security, could result in possible liability to the purchaser. Transaction costs of buying and selling foreign securities, including brokerage, tax, and custody costs, also are generally higher than those involved in domestic transactions. Furthermore, foreign financial markets, while generally growing in volume, have, for the most part, substantially less volume than U.S. markets, and securities of many foreign companies are less liquid and their prices more volatile than securities of comparable domestic companies.

In certain foreign countries there is the possibility of expropriation, nationalization, or confiscatory taxation; limitations on the convertibility of currency or the removal of securities, property, or other assets of the Issuer; political, economic, or social instability; or adverse diplomatic developments, each of which could have an adverse effect on the Issuer's investments in the foreign countries (which may make it more difficult to pay Dollar-denominated obligations such as the Collateral Obligations). The economies of individual non-U.S. countries may also differ favorably or unfavorably from the U.S. economy in such respects as growth of gross domestic product, rate of inflation, volatility of currency exchange rates, depreciation, capital reinvestment, resource self-sufficiency and balance of payments position.

In recent years, a number of judicial decisions in the United States have upheld the right of borrowers to sue lenders and bondholders on the basis of various evolving legal theories (collectively termed "**lender liability**"). Generally, lender liability is founded on the premise that a lender has violated

a duty (whether implied or contractual) of good faith and fair dealing owed to the debtor or has assumed a degree of control over the debtor resulting in the creation of a fiduciary duty owed to the debtor or its other creditors or shareholders. Because of the nature of the Collateral Obligations, the Issuer may be subject to allegations of lender liability. In addition, under common law principles that in some cases form the basis for lender liability claims, a court may elect to subordinate the claim of the offending lender to the claims of the disadvantaged creditors, a remedy called "equitable subordination," if a lender: (i) intentionally takes an action that results in the undercapitalization of a borrower to the detriment of other creditors of the borrower; (ii) engages in other inequitable conduct to the detriment of the other creditors; (iii) engages in fraud with respect to, or makes misrepresentations to, the other creditors; or (iv) uses its influence as a lender to dominate or control a borrower to the detriment of other creditors of the borrower.

Because the Collateral Obligations are primarily Loans, the Issuer may be subject to claims from creditors of an obligor that Collateral Obligations issued by the obligor that are held by the Issuer should be equitably subordinated. However, the Portfolio Manager does not intend to engage in conduct that would form the basis for a successful cause of action based on lender liability or the equitable subordination doctrine. Nonetheless, no assurances can be given that actions taken in good faith by the Portfolio Manager will not result in losses to issuers of Collateral Obligations, and that the Issuer will not be liable for any such losses. Furthermore, the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager may be unable to control the conduct of lenders under a loan syndication agreement requiring less than a unanimous vote, yet the Issuer may be subject to lender liability or equitable subordination for such conduct.

The preceding discussion is based on principles of United States federal and state laws. Insofar as Collateral Obligations that are obligations of non-United States obligors are concerned, the laws of certain foreign jurisdictions may impose liability on lenders or bondholders under factual circumstances similar to, or broader or narrower than, those described above, with consequences that may or may not be analogous to those described above under United States federal and state laws.

*Securities May Be Affected by Interest Rate Risks, Including Mismatches Between the Notes and the Collateral Obligations*

The Notes bear interest at a rate based on LIBOR as determined on the second Business Day prior to the first day of the relevant Interest Period. The Collateral Obligations will consist primarily of obligations that bear interest at floating rates, which floating rates may be different than the floating rates on the Notes. Accordingly, the Notes are subject to interest rate risk to the extent that there is a fixed/floating interest rate mismatch between the rates at which interest accrues on the Notes and the rates at which interest accrues on the Collateral. In addition, there may be a timing mismatch between the Notes and the Floating Rate Obligations as the interest on the Floating Rate Obligations may adjust more or less frequently, on different dates and based on different indices than the interest rates on the Notes. Furthermore, any payments of principal of or interest on Collateral received during a Due Period will (except to a limited extent specified in the Indenture) be reinvested in Eligible Investments maturing not later than the Business Day immediately preceding the next Payment Date. There is no requirement that Eligible Investments bear interest at LIBOR or a similar rate, and the interest rates available for Eligible Investments are inherently uncertain. As a result of these mismatches, an increase or decrease in LIBOR for the relevant maturity could adversely affect the ability of the Issuer to make interest payments on the Notes (including due to a rise or a decline in the value of previously issued Collateral Obligations or other Collateral that bear interest at a fixed rate as LIBOR decreases or increases, as applicable) and to make distributions or final distributions on the Preference Shares. To mitigate a portion of the interest rate mismatch, the Issuer may enter into Hedge Agreements that are (in the case of Hedge Agreements entered into after the Closing Date) subject to a Rating Confirmation. However, there can be no assurance that the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, together with the Hedge Agreements, will in all circumstances generate sufficient Interest Proceeds to make timely payments of interest on the Notes. Moreover, the benefits of any Hedge Agreements may not be achieved in the event of the early

termination of the Hedge Agreements, including termination upon the failure of the related Hedge Counterparty to perform its obligations under the Hedge Agreement. See "Security for the Notes and the Combination Securities—Hedge Agreements."

The Portfolio Manager may direct the Issuer to reduce the notional amount of, or otherwise adjust the terms of, any Hedge Agreement outstanding at any time, subject, in the case of any reduction or adjustment made on or after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, to obtaining a Rating Confirmation.

*Changes in Tax Law Could Result in the Imposition of Withholding Taxes with Respect to Payments on the Collateral Obligations, and the Obligors on the Collateral Obligations will not Gross-Up Payments to the Issuers*

The Issuer expects that payments received on the Hedge Agreements, and generally on the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, will not be subject to withholding taxes imposed by the United States or reduced by withholding taxes imposed by any other country from which such payments are sourced unless the obligor is required to make "gross-up" payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding taxes. In the case of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments issued by U.S. obligors after July 18, 1984 that are in registered form, payments thereon generally are exempt under current United States tax law from the imposition of United States withholding tax. See "Income Tax Considerations—Tax Treatment of the Issuer—United States Withholding Taxes". However, there can be no assurance that, as a result of any change in any applicable law, treaty, rule or regulation or interpretation thereof, the payments on the Hedge Agreements, Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments would not in the future become subject to withholding taxes imposed by the United States of America or another jurisdiction. In that event, if the obligors of such Hedge Agreements, Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments were not then required to make "gross-up" payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding taxes, the amounts available to make payments on, or distributions to, the holders of the Notes would accordingly be reduced. There can be no assurance that remaining payments on the Collateral would be sufficient to make timely payments of interest on, payment of principal and payment of other distributions at the Stated Maturity of the Securities.

Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, the Notes shall be redeemable at the applicable Redemption Price, in whole, but not in part, by the Issuer at the written direction of the Holders of at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares, as described under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption."

*The Issuer Has the Right to Engage in Securities Lending, which Involves Counterparty Risks and Other Risks*

The Collateral Obligations may be loaned for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) that have, or are guaranteed by entities that have, long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or a guarantor with those ratings at the time of the loan, of at least "A1" (and not "A1" but on credit watch with negative implications) and "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A" from S&P. See "Security for the Notes and the Combination Securities—Securities Lending." The loans must be secured by cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America, in an amount at least equal to 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value of the loaned Collateral Obligations, determined on a daily basis. However, if the borrower of a loaned Collateral Obligation defaults on its obligation to return the loaned Collateral Obligation because of insolvency or otherwise, the Issuer could experience delays and costs in gaining access to the collateral posted by the borrower (and in extreme circumstances could be restricted from selling the collateral). If the borrower defaults, the Issuer could suffer a loss to the extent that the realized value of the cash or securities securing the obligation of the borrower to return a loaned Collateral Obligation (less expenses) is less than the amount required to purchase the Collateral Obligation in the open market. This shortfall could be due

to, among other factors, discrepancies between the mark-to-market and actual transaction prices for the loaned Collateral Obligations arising from limited liquidity or availability of the loaned Collateral Obligations and, in extreme circumstances, the loaned Collateral Obligations being unavailable at any price.

The Rating Agencies may downgrade any of the Notes if a borrower of a Collateral Obligation or, if applicable, the entity guaranteeing the performance of the borrower has been downgraded by one of the Rating Agencies such that the Issuer is not in compliance with the Securities Lending Counterparty rating requirements. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Placement Agent or Affiliates of the Portfolio Manager, which may create certain conflicts of interest. See "—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Portfolio Manager" and "—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Placement Agent" below.

*A Substantial Amount of Collateral Obligations Was Acquired Before the Closing Date, and the Terms of the Acquisition May Adversely Affect the Issuer*

In anticipation of the issuance of the Securities, the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, and Bank of America, N.A. (in that capacity, the "**Warehouse Provider**") entered into an agreement (the "**Warehouse Agreement**") pursuant to which:

- (i) the Portfolio Manager has agreed to manage, on behalf of the Issuer, the selection of certain Loans and other obligations to be acquired by the Issuer before the Closing Date (the "**Warehoused Loans**");
- (ii) the Warehouse Provider has agreed to acquire a 100% participation in each Warehoused Loan concurrently with its acquisition by the Issuer, for a purchase price equal to the purchase price paid by the Issuer for the related Warehoused Loan; and
- (iii) the Portfolio Manager and the Warehouse Provider have agreed to share the economic return on, and assume certain risks (including risks associated with defaults affecting the Warehoused Loans) in respect of, the Warehoused Loans for the period prior to the Closing Date in the specified percentages set forth in the Warehouse Agreement.

On the Closing Date, the Issuer and the Warehouse Provider will terminate the participations in the Warehoused Loans (with any Warehoused Loans that would not satisfy the eligibility criteria of the Warehouse Agreement applicable on or before the Closing Date being sold by the Issuer). Generally, the price to be paid by the Issuer to the Warehouse Provider in connection with the termination of the participation in a Warehoused Loan will reflect the price originally paid by the Issuer to acquire the Warehoused Loan, *minus* the aggregate amount of any payments of principal received by the Warehouse Provider in respect of such Warehoused Loans, *plus* any accrued and unpaid interest on the Warehoused Loan accruing on or after the date the Issuer acquired such Warehoused Loan until the Closing Date. Approximately \$115 million (by principal balance) of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer on the Closing Date were transferred to the Issuer from, or from a portfolio of investments used to hedge the investments of, another entity for which the Portfolio Manager acted as investment advisor, and the purchase price paid by the Issuer for a substantial portion of such Collateral Obligations is based on prices obtained from LoanX Inc. In addition, other Collateral Obligations funded through the warehouse facility were purchased in the open market, including from sellers that include affiliates of Banc of America Securities LLC, and the purchase price paid by the Issuer for such Collateral Obligations (and all other Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer on the Closing Date that were not based on LoanX prices as described in the previous sentence) is the prevailing price at the time such Collateral Obligations were purchased. Because the purchase price of Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer on the Closing Date is determined prior to such date, the prevailing market price of such Collateral Obligations on the Closing

Date may be higher or lower than such purchase price. Accordingly, any unrealized losses or gains experienced by the Issuer in respect of the Collateral Obligations acquired by the Issuer prior to, and owned by the Issuer on, the Closing Date will be for the Issuer's account. Approximately 80% of the aggregate principal amount of the Collateral Obligations expected to be owned by the Issuer as of the Closing Date have been identified by the Portfolio Manager and transferred to the Issuer under the arrangements set forth above.

*No Information Provided on Class 2 Bond*

This Offering Memorandum includes no information regarding the issuer of the Class 2 Bond or any of the terms thereof, other than the principal amount of the Class 2 Bond at maturity and the maturity date thereof. None of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee nor any of their respective Affiliates make any representation or warranty with respect to the Class 2 Bond in this Offering Memorandum. Each purchaser of the Class 2 Combination Securities must make its own investigation into the creditworthiness of the issuer of the Class 2 Bond, any risks associated with such issuer, any risks associated with the structure and terms of the Class 2 Bond, and any and all other factors which may be relevant under the circumstances. If a default or other adverse event (including a bankruptcy or insolvency event with respect to the issuer of the Class 2 Bond) occurs with respect to the Class 2 Bond, the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities will be materially and adversely affected.

**Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest**

*In General, the Transaction Will Involve Various Potential and Actual Conflicts of Interest*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise from the overall advisory, investment, and other activities of the Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates and from the conduct by the Placement Agent and its Affiliates of other transactions with the Issuer, including acting as counterparty with respect to Hedge Agreements, Securities Lending Agreements, and Synthetic Securities. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

*The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Portfolio Manager*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise for the Portfolio Manager with respect to its obligations to the Issuer from the overall investment activities of the Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates, for the accounts of its other clients. For example, the Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates and their respective clients may invest in loans, securities, and other obligations that would be appropriate for inclusion in the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations, as well as in loans, securities, and other obligations that are senior to, or have interests different from or adverse to, the loans and or other investments that are pledged to secure the Notes. Furthermore, Affiliates of the Portfolio Manager may serve as general partners or managers of special-purpose entities organized to issue other collateralized loan obligations ("CLOs") secured primarily by corporate loans and collateralized debt obligations ("CDOs") secured by corporate debt obligations. The Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates may also have ongoing relationships with, render services to, or engage in transactions with, companies whose loan obligations or securities are pledged to secure the Notes and may now or in the future own (as portfolio investments or otherwise) loan obligations or equity or debt securities issued by issuers of or obligors on, Collateral Obligations or other Collateral.

The Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates may possess information relating to issuers of Collateral Obligations or other Collateral that (i) may constrain the Issuer's investments as a consequence of the Portfolio Manager's inability to use such information for advisory purposes or otherwise to take actions that would be in the best of interests of the Issuer or (ii) is not known to the employees of the Portfolio Manager responsible for monitoring the Collateral and performing the other obligations of the Portfolio



Manager under the Management Agreement. The Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates and their respective clients may at certain times be simultaneously seeking to purchase or dispose of investments for the respective accounts of the Issuer, any similar entity for which it serves as manager or advisor, and for its clients or Affiliates.

Approximately \$115 million (by principal balance) of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer on the Closing Date were transferred to the Issuer from, or from a portfolio of investments used to hedge the investments of, another entity for which the Portfolio Manager acted as investment advisor, and the purchase price paid by the Issuer for a substantial portion of such Collateral Obligations is based on prices obtained from LoanX Inc. In addition, other Collateral Obligations funded through the warehouse facility were purchased in the open market, including from sellers that include affiliates of Banc of America Securities LLC, and the purchase price paid by the Issuer for such Collateral Obligations (and all other Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer on the Closing Date that were not based on LoanX prices as described in the previous sentence) is the prevailing price at the time such Collateral Obligations were purchased. As a result, certain conflicts of interest may exist or arise between the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agent and/or their respective affiliates and the Holders of Notes.

Neither the Portfolio Manager nor any of its Affiliates has any affirmative obligation to offer any investments to the Issuer or to inform the Issuer of any investments before offering any investments to other funds or accounts that the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates manage or advise. Furthermore, the Portfolio Manager may be bound by affirmative obligations in the future, whereby the Portfolio Manager is obligated to offer certain investments to funds or accounts that it manages or advises before or without the Portfolio Manager offering those investments to the Issuer.

The Portfolio Manager will endeavor to resolve conflicts with respect to investment opportunities in a manner that it deems equitable to the extent possible under the prevailing facts and circumstances. Further, the Portfolio Manager will be prohibited under the Management Agreement from directing the acquisition of Collateral Obligations from, or the disposition of Collateral Obligations to, its Affiliates or any other account managed by the Portfolio Manager except in a transaction conducted on an arm's-length basis for fair market value and if the Portfolio Manager has complied with its policies and procedures with respect to the acquisition or disposition and the acquisition or disposition otherwise complies with the requirements of the United States Investment Advisers Act of 1940.

The Portfolio Manager currently serves as the portfolio manager for a number of special purpose vehicles that have issued securities secured by or referencing collateral consisting of assets similar to the Collateral Obligations, which may create conflicts in allocating its time and services among the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager's other accounts.

Upon the removal or resignation of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer, at the written direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, may appoint a replacement Portfolio Manager if either (x) the Holders of at least 66⅔% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority) or (y) the Holders of at least 66⅔% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single Class (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority)) do not object to the replacement Portfolio Manager. See "The Management Agreement." Securities held by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority will have no voting rights with respect to any vote in connection with removal of the Portfolio Manager for "cause" or in connection with any appointment of a replacement Portfolio Manager and will be deemed not to be outstanding in connection with any vote to remove the Portfolio Manager for "cause" or in connection with any vote to appoint a replacement Portfolio Manager. Securities held by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates will have voting

rights with respect to all other matters as to which the Holders of the Securities are entitled to vote. See "The Management Agreement" and "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption." The Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates may own equity or other securities of issuers of or obligors on Collateral Obligations or other Collateral and may have provided and may provide in the future, advisory and other services to issuers of Collateral.

The Issuer expects to acquire approximately 80% of the Collateral Obligations that will be included in the portfolio as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date by the Closing Date during an accumulation period before the Closing Date (the "**Accumulation Period**") and will finance those purchases with financing provided by the Warehouse Provider, which is an affiliate of the Placement Agent. The Issuer will be required to repurchase the participations providing that financing by the Closing Date with the proceeds of the issuance of the Securities. The Collateral Obligations purchased before the Closing Date will be chosen by the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer, subject to certain rights of the Warehouse Provider. Any interest accrued on Collateral Obligations purchased by the Issuer before the Closing Date will be paid to the Warehouse Provider and the Portfolio Manager in the specified percentages provided in the Warehouse Agreement. As a result, investors in the Securities will be assuming the risk of market value and credit quality changes in the Collateral Obligations from the date the Collateral Obligations are acquired during the Accumulation Period but will not receive the benefit of interest earned on the Collateral Obligations during that period.

On the Closing Date, the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates are expected to purchase (or, through a derivative or similar arrangement, retain economic exposure to) (i) Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to \$19,400,000, (ii) \$10,000,000 Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Class C Notes and (iii) \$26,500,000 Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Class D Notes. As agreed in the Management Agreement, Highland Capital and its Affiliates will, so long as Highland Capital or any of its Affiliates is acting as Portfolio Manager, maintain, in the aggregate, ownership of (or, through a derivative or similar arrangement, retain economic exposure to) \$15,000,000 of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the initial Preference Shares, without taking into account any additional Preference Shares issued. See "The Management Agreement." To the extent that the interests of the Holders of the Notes differ from the interests of the Holders of the Preference Shares, the holding of the Preference Shares by the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates may create additional conflicts of interest. The Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates are under no obligation to retain ownership of (or, through a derivative or similar arrangement, retain economic exposure to) the Notes after the Closing Date.

The Portfolio Manager will be entitled to receive the Senior Management Fee, the Subordinated Management Fee and the Incentive Management Fee, as further described herein. The structure of such fees may cause the Portfolio Manager to direct the Issuer to make more speculative investments in Collateral Obligations than it would otherwise make in the absence of such performance based compensation.

In addition, the Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates may act as the Securities Lending Counterparty under any Securities Lending Agreement entered into by the Issuer.

*The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Placement Agent*

Banc of America Securities LLC ("**BA Securities**") is a Placement Agent. Upon the original issuance of the Collateral Obligations, BA Securities or its Affiliates will have placed, arranged, participated or underwritten certain of the Collateral Obligations and will have provided commercial banking services, investment banking services and other services to obligors of Collateral Obligations. The Issuer may, from time to time, purchase Collateral Obligations from BA Securities or any of its Affiliates on terms then prevailing in the market. BA Securities and its Affiliates may have ongoing relationships (including investment banking, commercial banking and advisory services or engaging in securities or derivatives transactions) with obligors whose Collateral Obligations are pledged to secure the

Notes and may own either equity securities or debt obligations (including Collateral Obligations) issued by such obligors. In addition, BA Securities and its Affiliates, and clients of its Affiliates, may invest in securities that are senior to, or have interests different from or adverse to, the Collateral Obligations. From time to time the Portfolio Manager may purchase or sell Collateral Obligations through BA Securities or any of its Affiliates. It is the intention of the Portfolio Manager that all Collateral Obligations will be purchased by the Issuer on terms then prevailing in the market. BA Securities takes no responsibility for, and has no obligations in respect of, the Issuer.

In addition, BA Securities and its Affiliates may also act as the respective sellers of Participations or counterparties with respect to one or more Synthetic Securities and may act as the respective counterparties to any Hedge Agreements.

The Issuer's purchase of Collateral Obligations that are loans prior to the Closing Date was financed through the sale of participation interests therein to the Warehouse Provider pursuant to the Warehouse Agreement. A portion of the proceeds of the offering of the Securities will be paid to the Warehouse Provider to repurchase such participation interests.

Affiliates of BA Securities and conduit investors administered by Affiliates of BA Securities may purchase any Class of Notes. BA Securities may purchase a portion of the Preference Shares and may thereafter retain or sell all or some of those Preference Shares. BA Securities or its Affiliates (or one or more accounts or conduits managed by BA Securities or its Affiliates) may hold Notes of any Class and/or Preference Shares from time to time and enter into derivative arrangements with respect thereto with any person.

## DESCRIPTION OF THE SECURITIES

The Notes and the Combination Securities will be issued pursuant to the Indenture. The terms of the Preference Shares are contained in the Issuer Charter and in certain resolutions adopted by the Issuer's Board of Directors on or before the Closing Date authorizing and approving the issuance of the Securities, as reflected in the minutes thereof (the "**Resolutions**" and, together with the Issuer Charter and the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the "**Preference Share Documents**"). The following summary describes certain provisions of the Notes, the Combination Securities, the Preference Shares, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. Copies of the Indenture may be obtained by prospective purchasers upon request in writing to the Trustee at the Corporate Trust Office, 600 Travis Street, 50<sup>th</sup> Floor, Houston, Texas 77002, Attention: Worldwide Securities Services—Gleneagles CLO, Ltd. Copies of the Preference Share Documents may be obtained upon request in writing to the Administrator at P.O. Box 1093, Queensgate House, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, Attention: Gleneagles CLO, Ltd.

### Status and Security

The Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuers. The Combination Securities are limited recourse obligations of the Issuer, secured as described in this Offering Memorandum. Each Note within a Class will rank *pari passu* with all other Notes of that Class (with the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes being treated as separate Classes). Under the Indenture, the Issuer will grant to the Trustee (i) a first-priority security interest in the Collateral to secure the Issuer's obligations under the Indenture, the Notes, the Class 1 Note Component, the Class 2 Component, the Hedge Agreements and the Management Agreement and (ii) a first-priority security interest in the Class 2 Collateral to secure the Class 2 Component (collectively, the "**Secured Obligations**"). The Notes are payable solely from amounts received in respect of the Collateral pledged by the Issuer to secure the Notes. The Combination Securities are payable solely from amounts received in respect of the Collateral and, in the case of the Class 2 Component of the Class 2 Combination Securities, the Class 2 Collateral, pledged by the Issuer to secure the Class 2 Combination Securities. If the amounts received in respect of the Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral (net of certain expenses) are insufficient to make payments on the Secured Obligations and, solely in the case of the Class 2 Collateral, the Class 2 Combination Securities, in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the payments described under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Class 2 Component Distributions", no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and, following liquidation of all the Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral, the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, to pay the deficiency will be extinguished.

The Preference Shares are entitled only to proceeds of the Collateral to the extent that any proceeds are remaining on any Payment Date after payment of all interest and principal payable on each Class of Notes on that Payment Date and the satisfaction of certain other amounts payable in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

In furtherance of the priorities of payments among the Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares, the Indenture contains express subordination provisions pursuant to which the Holders of each Class of Notes that is a Junior Class as described below agree for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class that the Junior Class shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes of each Priority Class to the extent and in the manner provided in the Indenture.

If any Event of Default has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs under and in accordance with the Indenture, each Priority Class of Notes shall be paid in full in cash or, to the extent a Majority of the Class consents, other than in cash, before any further payment or distribution is made on account of any Junior Class of Notes with respect to the Priority Class. The Holders of each Junior Class of Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for failure to pay to them amounts due to the

Junior Class, of the Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or under the Indenture until the payment in full of the Priority Classes or all the Classes, as the case may be and not before one year and a day, or if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, has elapsed since the payment.

For purposes of this provision, with respect to each Class of Notes, the Classes of Notes that are Priority Classes and Junior Classes are as follows:

<b>Class</b>	<b>Junior Classes</b>	<b>Priority Classes</b>
A-1	A-2, B, C, D, Preference Shares	None
A-2	B, C, D, Preference Shares	A-1
B	C, D, Preference Shares	A-1, A-2
C	D, Preference Shares	A-1, A-2, B
D	Preference Shares	A-1, A-2, B, C
Preference Shares	None*	A-1, A-2, B, C, D

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\*The Preference Shares will be entitled to certain residual cashflow after payment of senior obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

If, notwithstanding the provisions of the Indenture, any Holder of Notes of any Junior Class has received any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes contrary to the provisions of the Indenture, then, until each Priority Class with respect to such Junior Class of Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or, to the extent a Majority of the Priority Class or the Class, as the case may be, consents, other than in cash in accordance with the Indenture, the payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, which shall pay and deliver the same to the Holders of the applicable Priority Classes of Notes or the Holders of all Classes of Notes, as the case may be. If any such payment or distribution is made other than in cash, it shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and subject in all respects to the Indenture.

Each Holder of Notes of any Junior Class agrees with all Holders of the applicable Priority Classes that the Holder of a Junior Class of Notes shall not demand, accept, or receive any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes in violation of the Indenture. After a Priority Class has been paid in full, the Holders of Notes of the related Junior Class or Classes shall be fully subrogated to the rights of the Holders of the Priority Class. Nothing in these provisions shall affect the obligation of the Issuer to pay Holders of any Junior Class of Notes.

Distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares are subordinate to distributions on the Notes as described in the Priority of Payments.

The Management Fees shall have priority only to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

For purposes of subordination, the Combination Securities shall not be treated as a separate Class, but the Class 1 Note Component shall be treated as being *pari passu* with the Class C Notes and the Preference Share Components shall be treated as being *pari passu* with the Preference Shares.

**Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Preference Shares from Interest Proceeds**

The Notes of each Class will accrue interest during each Interest Period on their Aggregate Outstanding Amount (determined as of the first day of the Interest Period and after giving effect to any redemption or other payment of principal occurring on that day) at the applicable per annum interest rates for each such Class (the "**Note Interest Rate**") equal to LIBOR for the applicable Interest Period *plus* the spread, as specified above under "Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities." Interest accrued on the Notes shall be calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in the applicable Interest Period *divided by* 360. Payment of interest on each Class of Notes shall be subordinated to the payments of interest on the related Priority Classes and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of Deferred Interest in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered "payable" for the purposes of the Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for the Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest), until paid.

Interest shall cease to accrue on each Note, or in the case of a partial repayment, on the part repaid, from the date of repayment or its Stated Maturity unless payment of principal is improperly withheld or unless there is some other default with respect to the payments of principal.

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Interest Proceeds as described under clauses (17) and (19) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds."

For purposes of calculating interest on each Class of Notes, the Issuer will initially appoint the Trustee as calculation agent (the Trustee in that capacity, and each successor calculation agent, the "**Calculation Agent**").

As soon as possible after 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period, but in no event later than 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the next Business Day, the Calculation Agent will calculate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Notes for the related Interest Period and the amount of interest for the Interest Period payable in respect of each \$100,000 in principal amount of each Class of Notes (in each case rounded to the nearest cent, with half a cent being rounded upward) on the related Payment Date and will communicate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Notes and the date of the next Payment Date to the Trustee, the Placement Agent, each paying agent, Euroclear, Clearstream, the Depository, and (as long as the Securities (other than the Class 2 Combination Securities) are listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange) the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange.

The Calculation Agent may be removed by the Co-Issuers at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Co-Issuers or if the Calculation Agent fails to determine the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Notes or the amount of interest payable in respect of each Class of Notes for any Interest Period, the Issuer will promptly appoint as a replacement Calculation Agent a leading bank which is engaged in transactions in U.S. Dollar deposits in the international U.S. Dollar market and which does not control and is not controlled by or under common control with the Co-Issuers or any of their respective affiliates. The Calculation Agent may not resign its duties without a successor having been duly appointed. The determination of the Note Interest Rate with respect to each Class of Notes for each Interest Period by the Calculation Agent shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding upon all parties.

**"LIBOR,"** determined by the Calculation Agent for any Interest Period, means the offered rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent, for three month Dollar deposits that appears on Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News (or a page that replaces Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), as of 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period.

If, on the second Business Day before the first day of any relevant Interest Period, that rate does not appear on Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Market Commodities News (or a page that replaces Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), the Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks to prime banks in the London interbank market for three month Dollar deposits in Europe, by reference to requests by the Calculation Agent to four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Portfolio Manager) (the **"Reference Banks"**) for quotations as of approximately 11:00 A.M. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the Interest Period. If at least two of the Reference Banks provide quotations as requested, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean. If fewer than two Reference Banks provide quotations, LIBOR shall be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that leading banks in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Portfolio Manager) are quoting to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period for three month Dollar deposits.

If the Calculation Agent is unable to determine a rate in accordance with any of the above procedures, LIBOR for the Interest Period shall be calculated on the last day of the Interest Period and shall be the arithmetic mean of the rate of interest for each day during the Interest Period determined by the Calculation Agent as being the rate of interest most recently announced by the Bank at its New York office as its base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans (or if the Bank ceases to exist or is not quoting a base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans, another major money center commercial bank in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Portfolio Manager)).

For the first Interest Period, LIBOR shall be determined based on the actual number of days in the Interest Period using straight-line interpolation of two rates calculated in accordance with the above procedure, except that instead of using three month deposits, one rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next shorter than the Interest Period and the other rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next longer than the Interest Period. All calculations shall be calculated to at least four decimal places and rounded to four decimal places.

#### **Principal Payments on the Notes and Distributions on the Preference Shares from Principal Proceeds**

The principal of each Note of each Class matures at par and is payable on the Payment Date that is the Stated Maturity for the Class of Notes, unless the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable at

an earlier date by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise. The Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, unless redeemed prior thereto. The average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years from issuance until Stated Maturity for such Notes. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary" and "Maturity and Prepayment Considerations." Notwithstanding the foregoing, and except as set forth below, the payment of principal of each Class of Notes: (i) may only occur after principal on each Class of Notes that is a Priority Class with respect to the Class has been paid in full and (ii) is subordinated to the payment on each Payment Date of the principal and interest payable on the Priority Classes, and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments. However, (i) Interest Proceeds may be used to pay principal of the Class D Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class D Coverage Tests and (ii) Principal Proceeds may be used to pay Deferred Interest and other amounts before the payment of principal of the Notes. See "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments."

In general, principal payments will not be made on the Notes before the end of the Reinvestment Period, except in the following circumstances: (i) in connection with an Optional Redemption, (ii) at the option of the Portfolio Manager, to effect a Special Redemption of the Notes, (iii) pursuant to a redemption made in connection with a Tax Event or (iv) following a mandatory redemption of the Notes caused by a failure to meet any of the Coverage Tests or a Rating Confirmation Failure. After the Reinvestment Period, Principal Proceeds will be applied on each Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments to pay principal of each Class of Notes (except for Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations which may be reinvested as described herein). No principal of any Class of Notes will be payable on any Payment Date other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and to the extent funds are available therefor on that Payment Date for that purpose, except that the principal of each Class of Notes will be payable in full at the Stated Maturity, unless repaid before that.

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted to the extent of available Principal Proceeds as described under clauses (5)(A), (13) and (15) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds."

#### **Legal Provisions Applicable to the Payments of Dividends from Interest Proceeds and Dividends or Other Distributions from Principal Proceeds**

Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment of dividends on, or the payment of the Redemption Price in respect of, the Preference Shares, will be distributable to the Holders of the Preference Shares only if the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distribution and Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment of dividends in respect of the Preference Shares will be distributable to the Holders of the Preference Shares only if the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium and if the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distribution. Payments will be paid by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for payment of dividends and other distributions to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, on a *pro rata* basis according to the number of Preference Shares held by each Holder on the Record Date for such Payment Date.

#### **Distributions on the Combination Securities**

On each Payment Date on which distributions are made in respect of the Preference Shares, a portion of such payment will be allocated to each of the Combination Securities in the proportion that the aggregate Face Amount of the Preference Share Component of such Combination Security bears to the



aggregate Face Amount of the Preference Shares. The payment of distributions, redemption amounts and any other payments on each of the Combination Securities will be distributed in the same manner as the Preference Shares to which the Preference Share Component of such Combination Security relates. See "—Priority of Payments."

On each Payment Date on which distributions are made in respect of the Class C Notes, a portion of such payment will be allocated to the Class 1 Combination Securities in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class 1 Note Component bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes. On each Payment Date on which distributions are made in respect of the Preference Shares, a portion of such payment will be allocated to the Combination Securities in the proportion that the aggregate Face Amount of the relevant Preference Share Component bears to the aggregate Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares.

On the Class 2 Component Payment Date, as a result of the maturity of such Class 2 Bond or upon the early liquidation of such Class 2 Bond as a result of an Event of Default, the Trustee will disburse the proceeds from the maturity or liquidation of the Class 2 Bond on deposit in the Class 2 Component Account to the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities, *pro rata*, based on their share of the Class 2 Combination Security Rated Balance. See "—Priority of Payments—Class 2 Component Distribution."

### **Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**

#### *General*

The Issuer, if directed by the Portfolio Manager, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Reinvestment Period to the applicable Extended Reinvestment Period End Date up to four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice to the Trustee of its election to extend the Reinvestment Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Class 1 Combination Securities shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Securities (other than as may be required pursuant to the Extension Conditions) or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents. Although the Scheduled Preference Share Redemption Date of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 2 Combination Security Preference Share Component is subject to extension, the Stated Maturity of the Class 2 Combination Securities is not subject to extension.

In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes, Combination Securities (other than Class 2 Combination Securities) or Preference Shares wishing to sell such Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to "—Extension Procedure" below (such Securities as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, "**Extension Sale Securities**"). Although the Preference Shares underlying the Class 2 Combination Security Preference Share Component are subject to sale in connection with a Maturity Extension, the Class 2 Combination Securities are not subject to sale in connection with a Maturity Extension. A Holder of Class 2 Combination Securities may request that the Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Component of such Class 2 Combination Securities be distributed to such Holder for purposes of offering such Preference Shares for sale to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser. Notwithstanding anything to the

contrary herein, each Holder providing an Extension Sale Notice shall be deemed to agree that no Extension Sale Securities of any Holder shall be purchased unless all Extension Sale Securities of all Holders are purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date and the other Extension Conditions are satisfied as of such date.

The Maturity Extension shall be effective only if the following conditions (the "**Extension Conditions**") are satisfied:

- (i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the applicable Extension Effective Date;
- (ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions herein, in the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents immediately after such purchase and the legends on such Securities and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency);
- (iii) (a) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to S&P (so long as any Notes are then rated by S&P) and (b) either (A) all Coverage Tests and the Selected Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied as of the related Extension Determination Date, the rating of each Class of Notes and Class 1 Combination Securities then rated by Moody's has not been downgraded, withdrawn or qualified from that in effect on the Closing Date (unless it subsequently has been reinstated to the rating assigned on the Closing Date) and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$872,000,000 or (B) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to Moody's (so long as any Notes are then rated by Moody's);
- (iv) the Issuer has not effected more than three prior Extensions; and
- (v) (A) the Holders of 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1 Notes have delivered the Extension Sale Notice in the Extension Sale Notice Period or (B) if the Holders of 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1 Notes fail to deliver an Extension Sale Notice pursuant to the preceding clause (A), either (i) the Issuer, acting through the Portfolio Manager, notifies the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes in writing not later than the last day of the Extension Sale Notice Period of an election to treat such Class A-1 Notes as "Extension Sale Securities" (with the result that such Class A-1 Notes must be purchased by an Extension Qualifying Purchaser) or (ii) the Holders of 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1 Notes consent in writing to the Maturity Extension not later than the last day of the Extension Sale Notice Period.

In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Holder of Notes (other than Extension Sale Securities) shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment and each Holder of Class 1 Combination Securities (other than Extension Sale Securities) shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the Extension Bonus Payment relating to the Class C Notes underlying the Class 1 Note Component. Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities and the Preference Shares shall not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

The Extension Bonus Payment shall be payable to any applicable qualifying beneficial owners who have provided the Trustee with an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification on or before the 5<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the first Payment Date from and including each Extension Effective Date on which funds are available to be used for such purposes in accordance with the Priority of Payments, but in any

event, no later than the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption of the Securities (other than the Class 2 Combination Securities). Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments on a Payment Date shall not be considered "due and payable" under the Indenture but are due and payable on the next Payment Date on which funds are due and payable. The failure to pay any such Extension Bonus Payment on such date shall not be an Event of Default, unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Securities (other than the Class 2 Combination Securities). Unpaid Extension Bonus Payments shall not accrue interest. Such amounts shall be paid, in the case of the Securities (other than the Class 2 Combination Securities), to the accounts designated in the applicable Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification or, to the extent otherwise required by the rules of any applicable securities exchange or clearing agency, in a manner determined by the Issuer.

#### *Extension Procedure*

No later than three Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Issuer of its election to extend the Reinvestment Period (the "**Extension Notice**"), the Trustee shall forward the Extension Notice to all Holders of Notes, the Combination Securities and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding), in the form set out in the Indenture, and shall request the Rating Condition for the Maturity Extension from S&P, if applicable.

Any Holder of Securities (other than Class 2 Combination Securities) may deliver to the Trustee irrevocable notice (an "**Extension Sale Notice**") within 30 days after the date of the Extension Notice (the "**Extension Sale Notice Period**") of its intention to sell its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. If the Holders of 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1 Notes have not delivered the Extension Sale Notice to the Trustee by the 20<sup>th</sup> calendar day after the date of the Extension Notice, the Trustee shall notify the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes of the date on which the Extension Sale Notice Period shall end and include a statement to the effect that (i) no Extension Sale Notice delivered after the end of the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be effective and (ii) the Class A-1 Notes for which no Extension Sale Notice has been delivered may be treated as Extension Sale Securities pursuant to clause (v) of the Extension Conditions (with the result that the Class A-1 Notes must be purchased by an Extension Qualifying Purchaser). Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of Securities that has not given such an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be entitled to sell its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension.

If clause (iii)(b)(A) of the Extension Conditions is not satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date as determined by the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf), the Trustee shall request the Rating Condition to be satisfied with respect to Moody's.

On the applicable Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf) shall confirm (i) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Securities in compliance with all transfer restrictions in the Indenture and the legends on such Securities and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (ii) whether the requirements of clause (iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date and (iii) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

On each Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension shall automatically become effective under the terms of the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents; *provided* that all Extension

Conditions set forth above are satisfied. No later than two Business Days after each Extension Effective Date, the Trustee based on a determination made by the Issuer, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail a notice to all Holders of the Notes and the Combination Securities, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agent, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Securities are Outstanding) and the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class of Securities is listed thereon) stating whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension became effective, the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf) shall make any required notifications thereof to the Depository for any Securities subject to the Maturity Extension.

None of the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

### **Optional Redemption**

*Notes.* The Holders of at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares or, upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, a Majority of the Controlling Class (but only if the Aggregate Principal Balance is less than 100% of the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes) may give written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager directing an optional redemption of the Notes (with respect to the Notes, an "**Optional Redemption**") upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period. Such notice must be given not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made. Upon receipt of the written notice directing an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Co-Issuers are required by the Indenture to redeem the Notes (in whole but not in part) from amounts available therefor in accordance with "—Redemption Procedures" described below. Any Optional Redemption of the Notes shall be made at the applicable Redemption Price. Upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Reinvestment Period will terminate in accordance with the definition of that term. The Issuer shall, at least 30 days before the Redemption Date (unless the Trustee shall agree to a shorter notice period), notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency of the Redemption Date, the applicable Record Date, the principal amount of Notes to be redeemed on the Redemption Date and the applicable Redemption Prices.

*Preference Shares.* On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, all administrative and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee), and all amounts owing under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged:

(i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings; or

(ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such direction,

(with respect to the Preference Shares and each of clauses (i) and (ii) above, an "**Optional Redemption**").

Upon a distribution pursuant to clause (i) above, the Portfolio Manager will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Management Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer (and subject to clause (ii) above), direct the sale of all remaining Collateral Obligations. Upon a distribution pursuant to clause (ii) above, the Portfolio Manager will effect the sale of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares.

Upon receipt of the written notice directing an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares, the Issuer is required by the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement to redeem the Preference Shares in the applicable manner described above. Any Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares shall be made at the applicable Redemption Price.

Upon the occurrence of a redemption of the Preference Shares, in whole or in part, pursuant to the terms of the Indenture prior to the Class 2 Component Payment Date, the Class 2 Combination Securities shall remain Outstanding and shall have the benefits provided by the Indenture (including, without limitation, the provisions described under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Class 2 Component Distributions").

*Redemption Procedures.* Notice of a redemption shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days and not earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date, to (i) each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as applicable, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and (ii) in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, to each Rating Agency. In addition, for so long as any Class of Securities are listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of an Optional Redemption of any such Securities shall also be given to the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange.

Notice of redemption having been given as provided above, the Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at the Redemption Price therein specified and from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Redemption Price and accrued interest) the Notes shall cease to bear interest on the Redemption Date.

Upon final payment on a Note to be so redeemed, the Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the place specified in the notice of redemption to receive the applicable Redemption Price unless the Holder provides an undertaking to surrender the Note thereafter.

The Notes may not be optionally redeemed unless either of the following conditions are satisfied:

(i) at least ten Business Days before the Redemption Date, the Portfolio Manager shall have furnished to the Trustee evidence (in form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee) that the Issuer has entered into a binding agreements (with a financial or other institution or entity whose short-term unsecured debt obligations (other than obligations whose rating is based on the credit of a person other than the institution) have a credit rating of at least "A-1" from S&P and of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's (or to any other institution or entity if the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's is satisfied with respect to the other entity) to sell to the financial or other institutions, not later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date in immediately available funds, all or part of the Collateral (directly or by participation or other arrangement) at a Purchase Price at least equal to an amount sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations (including the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee), all amounts

owing under the Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices; or

(ii) before entering into any binding agreement to sell all or a portion of the Collateral and selling or terminating any Hedge Agreement, the Portfolio Manager shall have certified that, in its commercially reasonable judgment, the settlement dates of the sales will be scheduled to occur on or before the Business Day before the Redemption Date and that the expected proceeds from the sales are to be delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date, in immediately available funds, in an amount (calculated as applicable in the manner provided below) sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices. For purposes of this paragraph, the amount shall be calculated with respect to the classes of Collateral listed in the table below by multiplying the expected proceeds of sale of the Collateral by the indicated percentage in the table below.

		Number of Business Days Between Certification to the Trustee and Sale			
		<u>Same Day</u>	<u>1 to 2</u>	<u>3 to 5</u>	<u>6 to 15</u>
1.	Cash or other Eligible Investments	100%	100%	100%	100%
2.	Loans (other than 5 below)	100%	93%	92%	88%
3.	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations (in each case, other than 4 below)	100%	89%	85%	75%
4.	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations, in each case with a Moody's Rating of "B3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "B3"	100%	75%	65%	55%
5.	Synthetic Securities	100%	65%	55%	35%

Any certification delivered by the Portfolio Manager shall include (A) the prices of, and expected proceeds from, the sale of any Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments or Hedge Agreements and (B) all calculations required by the Indenture.

Any notice of redemption may be withdrawn by the Issuer up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager only if:

(i) in the case of an Optional Redemption of Notes, the Portfolio Manager does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications required under the Indenture, as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee;

(ii) in the case of an Optional Redemption in whole of either the Notes or the Preference Shares as described above in "—Optional Redemption—Notes" and clause (i) of the first paragraph under "—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares," the Issuer receives the written direction of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption delivered by the percentage of the Preference Shares requesting redemption under "—Optional Redemption—

Notes" or clause (i) of the first paragraph under "—Optional Redemption— Preference Shares," as applicable; and

(iii) in the case of an Optional Redemption of Preference Shares as described in clause (ii) of the first paragraph under "Optional Redemption— Preference Shares," the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer hereby agrees for the benefit of the directing person to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (ii) or this clause (iii)).

Notice of any withdrawal shall be sent, not later than the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date (assuming that the Trustee has received timely written notice from the Issuer as provided above), by the Trustee, to each Holder of Notes scheduled to be redeemed at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery (or, to the extent the address contained in the Indenture Register is not sufficient for that purpose, by first-class mail), the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares). If the Issuer so withdraws any notice of redemption or is otherwise unable to complete any redemption of the Notes, the Sale Proceeds received from the sale of any Collateral Obligations sold in accordance with the Indenture may, during the Reinvestment Period (and, in respect of Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations, after the Reinvestment Period) at the Portfolio Manager's discretion, be reinvested in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria.

Notice of redemption shall be given by the Co-Issuers or, upon an Issuer Order, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Co-Issuers. Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Note selected for redemption or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Securities.

### **Special Redemption of Notes If the Portfolio Manager Does Not Identify Investments as Contemplated by the Indenture**

Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in whole or in part, at par, in accordance with the Priority of Payments if, at any time during the Reinvestment Period, the Portfolio Manager elects (subject to the Management Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the investment or reinvestment of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be invested in additional Collateral Obligations.

On the Special Redemption Date, the Special Redemption Amount will be available to be applied in accordance with "—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds" to the extent of available Principal Proceeds. Notice of payment of the Special Redemption Amount shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than three Business Days before the applicable Special Redemption Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository. In addition, for so long as any Class of Securities are listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of a Special Redemption of the Notes shall also be given to the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange.

In connection with a Special Redemption, the principal of the Notes will be paid from Principal Proceeds in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount (first to any Class A-1 Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class A-2 Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class B Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class C Notes to be redeemed and then to any Class D Notes to be redeemed, in each case

until paid in full) in accordance with the Priority of Payments. See "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds."

## **Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

### *General*

In the event of a Rating Confirmation Failure or a failure to meet any Coverage Test on any Determination Date, a mandatory redemption of one or more Classes of Notes in whole or in part will be required. Any mandatory redemption could result in an elimination, deferral or reduction in interest or principal payments to one or more Classes of Securities, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of the Class or Classes of Securities. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests" and "—The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure."

### *Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests*

Except with respect to payments made pursuant to an Optional Redemption or a redemption made in connection with a Tax Event as described under "—Optional Redemption," on any Payment Date with respect to which any Coverage Test (as described under "Security for the Notes and the Combination Securities—The Coverage Tests") is not met on any Determination Date, principal payments on the Notes will be made as described under "—Priority of Payments."

### *Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure*

Upon the event of a Rating Confirmation Failure, all Interest Proceeds remaining after payment of amounts referred to in clauses (1) and (3) through (10) of "—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" will be used to pay principal of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes sequentially in order of their priority on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date thereafter until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. If necessary, after the foregoing payments are made out of Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds in accordance with clause (4) "—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds" will be used to pay principal of each Class of the Notes sequentially in order of their priority on each Payment Date until the Initial Ratings are confirmed.

Upon receipt of notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes, at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Securities (other than the Class 2 Combination Securities), then at the direction and in accordance with the instructions of the Portfolio Manager the Trustee shall sell Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for the purpose in the Collection Account will be used to redeem the Notes (but only to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Securities (other than the Class 2 Combination Securities)) and to pay all administrative and other fees, expenses and obligations payable under the Priority of Payments. Any sale under these provisions shall be conducted in such a manner that:

- (i) after giving effect to the sale each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied or, if any Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Overcollateralization Test is not reduced;
- (ii) if the sale occurs on or after the second Payment Date, after giving effect to the sale each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied or, if any Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Interest Coverage Test is not reduced; and



(iii) after giving effect to the sale each Collateral Quality Test is satisfied or, if any Collateral Quality Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Collateral Quality Test is not reduced.

### **Redemption of the Preference Shares in Connection with Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

The Preference Shares will be redeemed in whole in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents on any Payment Date on which a mandatory redemption of the Notes described under "—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes" above results in the payment in full of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes.

### **Priority of Payments**

Collections received on the Collateral during the related Due Period will be segregated into Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds and applied on each Payment Date in the priority below under "—Interest Proceeds" and "—Principal Proceeds," respectively (collectively, the "**Priority of Payments**").

#### *Interest Proceeds*

On each Payment Date, Interest Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period (other than Interest Proceeds previously used during such Due Period to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations or otherwise used as permitted under the Indenture) will be distributed in the following order of priority:

- (1) to the payment of any taxes and registration and filing fees owed by the Co-Issuers (without limit) and then to the payment of Administrative Expenses up to the Administrative Expense Cap as follows:

FIRST, in the following order of priority:

- (i) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Trustee; and then
- (ii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Collateral Administrator; and then
- (iii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Preference Shares Paying Agent; and

SECOND, in the following order of priority;

- (x) fees and expenses of the Administrator; and then;
- (y) fees and expenses of the Co-Issuers (including fees and expenses of counsel and surveillance, credit estimate, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies) and any other person (except the Portfolio Manager) if specifically provided for in the Indenture, and to the expenses (but not fees) of the Portfolio Manager if payable under the Management Agreement;
- (2) the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts paid pursuant to clause (1) above to deposit into the Expense Reimbursement Account;
- (3) to the payment to the Portfolio Manager of any accrued and unpaid Senior Management Fee then payable; *provided*, that no such payment shall be made pursuant to this clause (3) to the extent that such payment: (x) represents unpaid Senior Management Fee

deferred by the Portfolio Manager in respect of a prior Payment Date and (ii) would result in monies being unavailable to pay the amounts pursuant to clause (5) below in full on such Payment Date;

- (4) to the payment of all amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements (if any) other than any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;
- (5) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes (with distributions being made to the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes *pro rata* based upon the amount of accrued and unpaid interest and accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest owing in respect of the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes);
- (6) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class B Notes;
- (7) if the Class A/B Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes in the Note Payment Sequence in the amount necessary so that all of the Class A/B Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (7) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under "—Principal Proceeds" below on the current Payment Date);
- (8) FIRST, to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class C Notes (excluding Class C Deferred Interest, but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class C Deferred Interest) and SECOND, to the payment of Class C Deferred Interest;
- (9) if the Class C Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class C Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (9) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under "—Principal Proceeds" below on the current Payment Date);
- (10) FIRST, to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class D Notes (excluding Class D Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class D Deferred Interest) and SECOND, to the payment of Class D Deferred Interest;
- (11) if the Class D Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class D Notes in the amount necessary so that all of the Class D Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full, or if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that a Rating Confirmation is obtained, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (11) before the application of

any Principal Proceeds as described under "—Principal Proceeds" below on the current Payment Date);

- (12) to deposit in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds amounts representing Principal Proceeds previously used to pay amounts referred to in clauses (1) and (3) through (6) above and not previously restored to the Collection Account or, if not restored to the Collection Account, used to purchase Collateral Obligations;
- (13) if the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, for deposit to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds the lesser of (i) 50% of the remaining Interest Proceeds available after the payments pursuant to clause (12) above and (ii) the amount necessary to cause the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as of such Determination Date;
- (14) to the payment of any remaining Administrative Expenses not paid under clause (1) above in the respective priorities specified in clause (1);
- (15) to the payment FIRST, to the Portfolio Manager of accrued and unpaid Subordinated Management Fee then due and payable and SECOND, to each Holder of Securities entitled thereto, the applicable Extension Bonus Payment as described under "—Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date";
- (16) to the payment of any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;
- (17) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 15.0%;
- (18) to the payment to the Portfolio Manager of the Incentive Management Fee, if applicable; and
- (19) any remaining Interest Proceeds, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

*Principal Proceeds*

On each Payment Date, Principal Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period other than:

- (A) Principal Proceeds previously reinvested in Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral into the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or otherwise used as permitted under the Indenture;
- (B) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account or the Securities Lending Account; and

- (C) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed Purchase Prices for Collateral Obligations with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment before the end of the Due Period for their purchase, but has not settled the purchase by the end of the Due Period;

shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

- (1) (x) first, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (1) and (3) through (6) under "—Interest Proceeds" above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (y) second, to the payment of amounts referred to in clause (7) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class A/B Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (1), or until such amounts are paid in full;
- (2) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (9) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class C Coverage Tests to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (2), or until such amounts are paid in full;
- (3) if the Class D Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary, after application of the amounts referred to in clause (11) under "—Interest Proceeds" above so that all of the Class D Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause (3), or until paid in full;
- (4) if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, to the payment of principal of the Notes in the Note Payment Sequence in an amount necessary to obtain a Rating Confirmation, or until paid in full;
- (5) (A) if the Payment Date is a Redemption Date in the following order of priority: (i) to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of the Redemption Prices of all of the Notes to be redeemed, (ii) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (14) through (18) under "—Interest Proceeds" above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (iii) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares of the Redemption Price of any Preference Shares to be redeemed; and  
 (B) if the Payment Date is a Special Redemption Date, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of the Notes in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount, in each case until paid in full;
- (6) during the Reinvestment Period, all remaining Principal Proceeds to the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture (and, until so applied (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral into the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security

Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), to be deposited in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds);

- (7) after the Reinvestment Period, (i) first, at the discretion of the Portfolio Manager (with respect to Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations) to the purchase or funding of substitute Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the applicable provisions of the Indenture when appropriate Collateral Obligations are available, and until such time, to the Collection Account for the purchase of Eligible Investments; and (ii) second, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes until paid in full;
- (8) after the Reinvestment Period, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (8) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (9) after the Reinvestment Period, to the payment of principal of the Class C Notes until paid in full;
- (10) after the Reinvestment Period, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (10) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (11) after the Reinvestment Period, to the payment of principal of the Class D Notes until paid in full;
- (12) after the Reinvestment Period and to the extent not previously paid in full under clause (5) above, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (14) through (16) under "—Interest Proceeds" above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (13) after the Reinvestment Period, after giving effect to payments pursuant to clause (17) in "—Interest Proceeds" and clause (5)(A) above, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 15.0%;
- (14) after the Reinvestment Period, to the payment to the Portfolio Manager of the Incentive Management Fee, if applicable; and
- (15) after the Reinvestment Period, the remaining Principal Proceeds to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

If on any Payment Date the amount available in the Payment Account is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by the Valuation Report, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for in the order and according to the priority under "—Interest Proceeds" and "—Principal Proceeds," to the extent funds are available therefor.

The Trustee shall remit funds to pay Administrative Expenses of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in accordance with the Priority of Payments under "—Interest Proceeds" and "—Principal Proceeds" above, to the extent available, to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer as directed and designated in an Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions) delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before each Payment Date.

On each Payment Date on which distributions are made in respect of the Class C Notes, a portion of such payment will be allocated to the Class 1 Combination Securities in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class 1 Note Component bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes. On each Payment Date on which distributions are made in respect of the Preference Shares, a portion of such payment will be allocated to the Combination Securities in the proportion that the aggregate Face Amount of the relevant Preference Share Component bears to the aggregate Face Amount of the Preference Shares.

#### *Class 2 Component Distribution*

On the Business Day immediately following any Business Day that proceeds from the Class 2 Bond are deposited in the Class 2 Component Account as a result of the maturity of such Class 2 Bond or upon the early liquidation of such Class 2 Bond as a result of an Event of Default (the "**Class 2 Component Payment Date**"), the Trustee shall disburse solely from amounts in the Class 2 Component Account to the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities, *pro rata* based on their share of the Class 2 Combination Security Rated Balance, as described below.

On each Class 2 Component Payment Date, the Trustee shall disburse available amounts from the Class 2 Component Account as follows:

(1) if such Class 2 Component Payment Date occurs prior to a Redemption Date on which the Preference Shares relating to the Preference Share Component have been redeemed in whole, to the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities, *pro rata* based on their share of the Class 2 Combination Security Rated Balance; and

(2) if such Class 2 Component Payment Date occurs after a Redemption Date on which the Preference Shares relating to the Preference Share Component have been redeemed in whole,

FIRST, to the payment of any taxes and registration and filing fees owed by the Co-Issuers (without limit) and then to the payment of any accrued and unpaid Administrative Expenses; and

SECOND, to the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities, *pro rata* based on their share of the Class 2 Combination Security Rated Balance.

In the event that the Class 2 Component Payment Date occurs prior to a Redemption Date on which the Preference Shares relating to the Preference Share Component have been redeemed in whole, immediately following such Class 2 Component Payment Date, the Preference Share Component of the Class 2 Combination Securities shall be exchanged (and the Holder of such Class 2 Combination Securities shall be deemed to have requested such exchange without any action or request by such Holder) for the Preference Shares underlying such Preference Share Component in accordance with the Indenture.

#### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Notes and the Combination Securities**

The Notes and the Combination Securities sold in Offshore Transactions may only be sold to non-U.S. Persons in reliance on Regulation S and, except as provided below, such Notes and Combination Securities will either: (i) be issued in the form of one or more Regulation S Certificated Securities or (ii) be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Securities. The Regulation S Global Securities will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear and Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Security may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream. Investors may hold their interests in a Regulation S Global Security directly through Euroclear or

Clearstream, if they are participants in such systems, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in such systems. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Security may not be held by a U.S. Person at any time. By acquisition of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Security, the purchaser thereof will be deemed to represent that it is not a U.S. Person and that, if in the future it determines to transfer such beneficial interest, it will transfer such interest only to a person whom the seller reasonably believes to be a non-U.S. Person or to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note or a U.S. Certificated Security.

The Notes initially sold in non-Offshore Transactions or to U.S. Persons in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Section 4(2) of the Securities Act may only be sold to (i) Accredited Investors and (ii) (A) a Qualified Purchaser or (B) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and, except as provided below, such Notes will either: (i) be issued in the form of one or more U.S. Certificated Securities or (ii) be represented by one or more Rule 144A Global Notes deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository. With respect to the Rule 144A Global Notes, the Depository will credit the account of each of its participants with the principal amount of the Notes being purchased by or through the participant. Beneficial interests in a Rule 144A Global Note will be shown on, and transfers thereof will be effected only through, records maintained by the Depository and its direct and indirect participants. The Combination Securities initially sold in non-Offshore Transactions or to U.S. Persons in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Section 4(2) of the Securities Act may only be sold to (i) Accredited Investors and (ii) (A) a Qualified Purchaser or (B) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and such Combination Securities will be issued in the form of one or more U.S. Certificated Securities. The Notes and Combination Securities may be resold in non-Offshore Transactions or to U.S. Persons only if such purchasers are either (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers who are also Qualified Purchasers, who purchase such Notes or Combination Securities for their own account or for the account of a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is also a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) solely in the case of Notes and Combination Securities with respect to which the transferee will hold its interest therein in the form of U.S. Certificated Securities, Accredited Investors who are also Qualified Purchasers.

Beneficial interests in Notes and Combination Securities represented by Global Securities will be subject to certain restrictions on transfer set forth therein and in the Indenture and such Global Securities will bear the applicable legends regarding the restrictions set forth under "Transfer Restrictions." A beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Security may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note or a Certificated Security only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from (A) the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that the transfer is being made to a person whom the transferor reasonably believes is a Qualified Institutional Buyer (or, in the case of a transferee taking delivery in the form of a Certificated Note, an Accredited Investor) who is also (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction and (B) the transferee (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer (or, in the case of a transferee taking delivery in the form of a Certificated Security, an Accredited Investor) and a Qualified Purchaser. A beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Security only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from (A) the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that the transfer is being made to a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction in accordance with Regulation S and (B) the transferee (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is a non-U.S. Person. A beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of a Certificated Security only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from (A) the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that the transfer is being made to a person whom the transferor reasonably believes is either (i) an Accredited Investor who is also a Qualified Purchaser and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction or (ii) a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction in

accordance with Regulation S and (B) the transferee (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is either (i) both an Accredited Investor and a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) a non-U.S. Person.

Any beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Security that is transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will, upon transfer, cease to be an interest in such Regulation S Global Security and become an interest in the Rule 144A Global Note and, accordingly, will thereafter be subject to all transfer restrictions and other procedures applicable to beneficial interests in a Rule 144A Global Note for as long as it remains such an interest. Any beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note that is transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Security will, upon transfer, cease to be an interest in the Rule 144A Global Note and become an interest in the Regulation S Global Security and, accordingly, will thereafter be subject to all transfer restrictions and other procedures applicable to beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Security for as long as it remains such an interest. No service charge will be made for any registration of transfer or exchange of Securities, but the Issuer or Co-Issuers, as the case may be, or the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

The Securities are not issuable in bearer form. Owners of beneficial interests in Securities held in the form of Global Securities deposited with the Depository pursuant to the Indenture shall be transferred to the beneficial owners thereof only if such transfer complies with the Indenture and either (i) the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for a Global Security or ceases to be a "Clearing Agency" registered under the Exchange Act and a successor depository is not appointed by the Issuer within 90 days of such notice or (ii) as a result of any amendment to or change in, the laws or regulations of the Cayman Islands or of any authority therein or thereof having power to tax or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations which become effective on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer or the Paying Agent becomes aware that it is or will be required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Securities which would not be required if the Global Securities were in definitive form. In addition, the owner of a beneficial interest in a Global Security will be entitled to receive a certificated Security in exchange for such interest if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing. In the event that certificated Securities are not so issued by the Issuer to such beneficial owners of interests in Global Securities, the Issuer expressly acknowledges that such beneficial owners shall be entitled to pursue any remedy that the holders of a Global Security would be entitled to pursue in accordance with the Indenture (but only to the extent of such beneficial owner's interest in the Global Security) as if certificated Securities had been issued. Payments on such certificated Securities will be made by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a Dollar-denominated account maintained by the owner or, if a wire transfer cannot be effected, by a Dollar check delivered to the owner. See "Settlement and Clearing."

The Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$500,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof for each Class of Notes. The Class 1 Combination Securities will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S. \$1,250,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof. The Class 2 Combination Securities will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S. \$1,000,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof. Notwithstanding the minimum denomination requirements set forth in the preceding sentences, the Notes and the Combination Securities may be transferred or exchanged in such lesser denominations if a Holder effecting any such transfer or exchange owns less than the minimum denomination applicable to such Class of Notes or Combination Securities as a result of repayments of principal thereof and such Holder is effecting a transfer or exchange of not less than all of the applicable Class of Notes or Combination Securities.



## Exchange of the Combination Securities

The Components of the Combination Securities, whether in the form of Certificated Preference Shares, Regulation S Global Preference Shares, Class C Notes or the Class 2 Bond, are not separately transferable.

A Holder of, or a holder of a beneficial interest in, a Combination Security may exchange such interest for interests in the relevant Certificated Preference Share or Regulation S Global Preference Share, Global Security or Certificated Security, or Class 2 Bond, in each case representing the Preference Share Components, the Class 1 Note Component or the Class 2 Component, as the case may be, only in accordance with the Indenture. Any Holder of Class C Notes, the Class 2 Bond or Preference Shares (including a Holder that received such Notes, the Class 2 Bond or Preference Shares upon exchange of a Combination Security) will not have the right to exchange such Notes, Class 2 Bond and Preference Shares for a Combination Security. Exchanges of a Combination Security, in whole or in part, for the Class C Notes (in the case of a Class 1 Combination Security) or the Class 2 Bond (in the case of the Class 2 Combination Security) and the Preference Shares represented by its Components may be made, and shall only be made, in accordance with the terms of the Indenture and as described below under "—Exchanges of Combination Securities represented by U.S. Certificated Securities", "—Exchanges of Combination Securities represented by Regulation S Global Securities" and "—Exchanges of Combination Securities in Connection with Sales of Extension Sale Securities and Exercise of Amendment Buy-Out Option".

### *Exchanges of Combination Securities represented by U.S. Certificated Securities*

A Holder of a beneficial interest in a Combination Security represented by a U.S. Certificated Security may exchange such interest for (i) interests in a proportionate amount of Rule 144A Global Notes or U.S. Certificated Securities, as applicable, relating to the Component representing Notes of such Combination Security (if applicable) or (ii) with respect to the Class 2 Combination Securities, an in-kind delivery of such Holder's *pro rata* share of the Class 2 Bond and (iii) Certificated Preference Shares relating to the Preference Share Component of such Combination Security. Upon receipt by the Issuer and the Indenture Registrar of the Holder's:

(1) Certificated Security representing such Combination Securities properly endorsed for the exchange, together with written instructions from the Holder designating the principal amount of Notes (if applicable) to be issued (the aggregate of the principal amount and Class of Notes being equal to the aggregate principal amount of the related Component representing Notes) or delivery of the Class 2 Bond, as applicable, and the number of Preference Shares to be issued (the aggregate number of Preference Shares being equal to the aggregate number of Preference Shares of the related Preference Share Component); and

(2) written instructions from (i) (a) the Depository directing the Indenture Registrar to cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Notes of the Component representing Notes equal to the principal amount of such Component representing Notes, the instructions to contain information regarding the participant account with the Depository to be credited with the increase or (b) the Co-Issuers to authenticate and deliver a new Security in the form of a Certificated Security registered in the name of the transferee or its nominee in a principal amount equal to such interest in the relevant Component representing Notes being exchanged or (c) with respect to the Class 2 Combination Securities, the Holder directing the Trustee to make an in-kind delivery of the Holder's *pro rata* share of the Class 2 Bond and (ii) the Co-Issuers to authenticate and deliver a new security in the form of a Certificated Preference Share registered in the name of the transferee or its nominee in a notional amount equal to such interest in the relevant Component representing Preference Shares being exchanged; and

(3) a certificate given by the Holder of such Combination Security stating that the exchange of the interest has been made in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Certificated Preference Shares, including that the person requesting the exchange is a Qualified Purchaser and that the proposed transfer is being made pursuant to Rule 144A or another applicable exemption from registration under the Securities Act,

then the Indenture Registrar shall cancel the U.S. Certificated Security and (1) (w) with respect to a Class 2 Combination Security, make an in-kind delivery of the Class 2 Bond or (x) instruct the Depository to credit to the securities account of the person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note equal to the Components representing Notes so exchanged or (y) shall authenticate and deliver the U.S. Certificated Security specified in the instructions set forth in clause (2) above in an aggregate principal amount equal to the portion of the principal amount of the Component representing Notes presented exchange, and, in the case of a transfer in part, authenticate and deliver to the transferor a U.S. Certificated Security comprised of a Component representing Notes with a principal amount equal to the remaining portion of the principal amount of the Component representing Notes relating to such U.S. Certificated Security presented for transfer of exchange, and (2) request the Issuer to issue Certificated Preference Shares in a number equal to the Preference Share Component being exchanged pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

*Exchanges of Combination Securities represented by Regulation S Global Securities*

A Holder of a beneficial interest in a Combination Security represented by a Regulation S Global Security or a Regulation S Certificated Security may exchange such interest for (A) interests in a proportionate amount of Regulation S Global Securities or Regulation S Certificated Securities relating to the Component of such Combination Security representing Notes (if applicable) or (B) with respect to the Class 2 Combination Securities, an in-kind delivery of such Holder's *pro rata* share of the Class 2 Bond and (C) Regulation S Global Preference Shares relating to the Preference Share Component of such Combination Security, as provided below. Upon receipt by the Issuer and the Indenture Registrar of:

(1) with respect to a Regulation S Certificated Security, the Holder's Certificated Security representing such Combination Securities properly endorsed for the exchange, together with written instructions from the Holder designating (A) the principal amount of Notes (if applicable) to be issued (the aggregate of the principal amount and Class of Notes being equal to the aggregate principal amount of the related Component representing Notes) or (B) with respect to the Class 2 Combination Securities, delivery of the Class 2 Bond and (C) the number of Preference Shares to be issued (the aggregate number of Preference Shares being equal to the aggregate number of Preference Shares of the related Preference Share Component);

(2) written instructions from (i) (a) with respect to a Regulation S Global Security, Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, directing the Indenture Registrar to cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Security equal to the beneficial interest in the Components representing Notes of such Combination Security or (b) with respect to a Regulation S Certificated Security, the Co-Issuers to authenticate and deliver a new Security in the form of a Certificated Security registered in the name of the transferee or its nominee in a principal amount equal to such interest in the relevant Component representing Notes being exchanged or (c) with respect to the Class 2 Combination Securities, the Holder designating delivery of the Class 2 Bond and (ii) Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, directing the Indenture Registrar to cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Preference Shares equal to the beneficial interest in the Preference Share Components of such Combination Security, to be exchanged, the instructions to contain information regarding the participant account with the Depository to be credited with the increase; and

(3) a certificate, given by the Holder of the Combination Security stating that the exchange of the interest has been made in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Certificated Security, as applicable, and Regulation S Global Preference Shares, including that the person requesting the exchange is not a U.S. person and that the proposed transfer is being made pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S,

then the Indenture Registrar shall either cancel the Regulation S Certificated Security or instruct the Depository to reduce the Regulation S Global Security evidencing the relevant Combination Security by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Components represented by the Regulation S Global Security to be exchanged and the Indenture Registrar shall (i)(w) with respect to the Class 2 Combination Securities, make an in-kind distribution of the Class 2 Bond or (x) instruct the Depository, concurrently with the cancellation or reduction, to credit to the securities account of the person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Securities evidencing the relevant Component representing Notes equal to the reduction in the principal amount of the Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Certificated Security evidencing the Combination Securities or (y) shall authenticate and deliver the Regulation S Certificated Security specified in the instructions set forth in clause (2) above in an aggregate principal amount equal to the portion of the principal amount of the Component representing Notes presented exchange and, in the case of a transfer in part, authenticate and deliver to the transferor a Regulation S Certificated Security comprised of a Component representing Notes with a principal amount equal to the remaining portion of the principal amount of the Component representing Notes relating to such Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Certificated Security presented for transfer of exchange and (ii) instruct the Depository, concurrently with the reduction, to credit to the securities account of the person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Preference Shares evidencing the Preference Share Component equal to the reduction in the notional amount of the Regulation S Global Security evidencing the Combination Securities.

*Exchanges of Combination Securities in Connection with Sales of Extension Sale Securities and Exercise of Amendment Buy-Out Option*

In connection with the sale of Extension Sale Securities, the Trustee shall, upon the direction of the Holder of any Class 2 Combination Security, (i) request the Issuer to distribute the Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Component of such Class 2 Combination Security to such Holder (without any further action or consent of such Holder) and (ii) note in the Indenture Register that the Class 2 Combination Security remains Outstanding with respect to its Class 2 Component.

In connection with the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser's exercise of an Amendment Buy-Out Option, the Trustee shall, upon the direction of the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, (i) request the Issuer to distribute the Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Component of such Class 2 Combination Security to the Holder of such Class 2 Combination Security (without any further action or consent of such Holder) and (2) note in the Indenture Register that the Class 2 Combination Security remains Outstanding with respect to its Class 2 Component.

In the event that the Class 2 Component Payment Date occurs prior to a Redemption Date on which the Preference Shares relating to the Preference Share Component have been redeemed in whole, immediately following such Class 2 Component Payment Date, the Class 2 Combination Securities shall be exchanged for the Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Component without any action or consent of the Holder of the Class 2 Combination Securities after the payments have been made on the related Class 2 Component Payment Date.

## **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Preference Shares**

In addition to Certificated Preference Shares and except as provided below, the Preference Shares sold in reliance on Regulation S may be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Preference Shares. The Regulation S Global Preference Shares will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear and Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Preference Share may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream. Investors may hold their interests in a Regulation S Global Preference Share directly through Euroclear or Clearstream, if they are participants in such systems, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in such systems. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Preference Share may not be held by a U.S. Person at any time. By acquisition of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Preference Share, the purchaser thereof will be deemed to represent that it is not a U.S. Person and that, if in the future it determines to transfer such beneficial interest, it will transfer such interest only to a person whom the seller reasonably believes to be a non-U.S. Person or to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Preference Share.

Preference Shares sold in non-Offshore Transactions or to U.S. Persons in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Section 4(2) of the Securities Act may only be sold to (i) an Accredited Investor who is also (ii)(A) a Qualified Purchaser, (B) a Knowledgeable Employee or (C) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledge Employees, and will be issued in the form of one or more Certificated Preference Shares. In addition, Preference Shares sold to non-U.S. Persons in Offshore Transactions in reliance on Regulation S may also be issued in the form of one or more Certificated Preference Shares.

Beneficial interests in the Preference Shares will be subject to certain restrictions on transfer set forth therein and in the Preference Share Documents and the Preference Shares will bear the applicable legends regarding the restrictions set forth under "Transfer Restrictions." Certificated Preference Shares may be transferred only upon (*inter alia*) receipt by the Preference Shares Paying Agent of a written certification (in the form provided in the Preference Share Documents) from the transferee to the effect that the transferee is (A) a Qualified Institutional Buyer or an Accredited Investor who is also, in either case, (i) a Qualified Purchaser, (ii) a Knowledgeable Employee or (iii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees, and such transfer is being made in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction or (B) a non-U.S. Person and such transfer is being made in an Offshore Transaction in accordance with Regulation S. See "Transfer Restrictions."

Except in the limited circumstances described in this paragraph, owners of beneficial interests in Preference Shares held in the form of Regulation S Global Preference Shares will not be entitled to receive delivery of certificated Preference Shares. A Regulation S Global Preference Shares deposited with the Depository pursuant to the Preference Share Documents shall be transferred to the beneficial owners thereof only if such transfer complies with the Preference Share Documents and either (i) the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for Regulation S Global Preference Shares or ceases to be a "Clearing Agency" registered under the Exchange Act and a successor depository is not appointed by the Issuer within 90 days of such notice or (ii) as a result of any amendment to or change in, the laws or regulations of the Cayman Islands or of any authority therein or thereof having power to tax or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations which become effective on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent becomes aware that it is or will be required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Preference Shares which would not be required if the Regulation S Global Preference Shares were in definitive form. Payments on such certificated Preference Shares will be made by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a Dollar-denominated account maintained by the owner or, if a wire transfer cannot be effected, by a Dollar check delivered to the owner. See "Settlement and Clearing."

Maples Finance Limited has been appointed and will serve as the registrar with respect to the Preference Shares (the "**Share Registrar**") and will provide for (*inter alia*) the registration of the Preference Shares and the registration of transfers of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Preference Share Documents and the Administration Agreement in the register maintained by it. The Preference Shares will be issued in minimum numbers of 250 Preference Shares per investor and integral multiples of one Preference Share in excess thereof; *provided, however* at the request of Banc of America Securities LLC, as Placement Agent, a portion of the Preference Shares may be issued in such lesser minimum denominations as specified by the Placement Agent (but not less than 100).

## **The Indenture**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Indenture. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Indenture.

### *Events of Default*

"**Event of Default**" is defined in the Indenture as:

(a) a default for four Business Days in the payment of any interest on any Class of Notes that is currently part of the Controlling Class when it becomes payable (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, any paying agent or the Indenture Registrar, after seven Business Days);

(b) a default in the payment of (x) principal (including Deferred Interest) of any Note, when the same becomes payable, at its Stated Maturity or on the Redemption Date or (y) any distribution in respect of the Class 2 Component when amounts are available therefor in the Class 2 Component Account (or, in the case of a default in payment or distribution due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, any paying agent or the Indenture Registrar, such default has continued for three Business Days);

(c) the failure on any Payment Date to disburse amounts available in the Payment Account in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the failure continues for 3 Business Days (or, in the case of failure to disburse such amounts due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, any paying agent or the Indenture Registrar, after six Business Days);

(d) on any Measurement Date for so long as any Class A-1 Notes or Class A-2 Notes are Outstanding, the Aggregate Principal Balance is less than 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes;

(e) either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral becomes an investment company under the Investment Company Act;

(f) breach of any other covenant or other agreement of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Indenture (other than any failure to satisfy any of the Collateral Quality Tests, any of the Concentration Limitations, any of the Coverage Tests, the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test, or other covenants or agreements for which a specific remedy has been provided under the Indenture) in any material respect, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer made in the Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant thereto, or in connection therewith, to be correct in any material respect when made, and the breach or failure continues for 30 days after either of the Co-Issuers has actual knowledge of it or after notice to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Portfolio Manager by the Trustee or to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% of the

Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class by registered or certified mail or overnight courier specifying the breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that the notice is a "Notice of Default" under the Indenture;

(g) the entry of a decree or order by a court having competent jurisdiction adjudging the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, or composition of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, and if the decree or order remains unstayed and in effect for 45 consecutive days;

(h) the institution by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of Proceedings to have the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as the case may be, adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings against the Issuer or Co-Issuer, or the filing by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Bankruptcy Law or any other similar applicable law, or the consent by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or the taking of any action by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in furtherance of any such action; or

(i) one or more final judgments is rendered against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer that exceed in the aggregate U.S.\$2,000,000 (or any lesser amount specified by Moody's) and that remain unstayed, undischarged, and unsatisfied for 30 days after the judgments become nonappealable, unless adequate funds have been reserved or set aside for their payment, and unless (except as otherwise specified in writing by Moody's) the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's is satisfied with respect thereon.

If an Event of Default is continuing (other than (i) an Event of Default described in clauses (e), (g) or (h) under "—Events of Default" above or (ii) an Event of Default with respect to the Class 2 Component described in clause (b) (y) under "—Events of Default" above), the Trustee may, with the written consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, and upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall, declare the principal of all the Notes to be immediately payable by notice to the Co-Issuers, and upon that declaration the unpaid principal of all the Notes, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), and other amounts payable under the Indenture, shall become immediately payable. The Reinvestment Period shall terminate upon a declaration of acceleration (subject to re-commencement as described below). If an Event of Default described in clauses (e), (g) or (h) above under "—Events of Default" occurs, all unpaid principal, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), of all the Notes, and other amounts payable under the Indenture, shall automatically become payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any Noteholder and the Reinvestment Period shall terminate automatically (subject to re-commencement as described below). If an Event of Default with respect to the Class 2 Component described in clause (b) (y) above under "—Events of Default" occurs, a Majority of the Class 2 Combination Securities may declare the Class 2 Component immediately payable by notice to the Issuer and the Trustee and, upon receipt of such notice, the Trustee shall effect a distribution in kind of a *pro rata* (based on the Class 2 Combination Security Rated Balance) of each item of the Class 2 Collateral to the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities.

At any time after the declaration of acceleration of maturity has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class (or a Majority of the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities solely in respect of the acceleration of the Class 2 Component by the Majority of the Class 2 Combination Securities) by written notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, may rescind the declaration and its consequences if:

(i) the Issuer or the Co-Issuer has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:

(A) all unpaid installments of interest and principal on the Notes then due or, in the case of acceleration of the Class 2 Component by the Majority of the Class 2 Combination Securities, all distributions with respect to the Class 2 Component under "—Priority of Payments—Class 2 Component Distribution" (other than as a result of the acceleration);

(B) to the extent that payment of the interest is lawful, interest on any Deferred Interest and Defaulted Interest at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable;

(C) all Administrative Expenses of the Co-Issuers and other sums paid or advanced by the Trustee under the Indenture;

(D) all unpaid Senior Management Fees; and

(E) all amounts then payable to any Hedge Counterparty; and

(ii) the Trustee has determined that all Events of Default, other than the nonpayment of the interest on or principal of the Notes or, in the case of acceleration of the Class 2 Component by the Majority of the Class 2 Combination Securities, nonpayment of distributions with respect to the Class 2 Component under "—Priority of Payments—Class 2 Component Distribution" that may have become due solely by acceleration that have become due solely by the acceleration, have been (A) cured, and a Majority of the Controlling Class (or a Majority of the Class 2 Combination Securities solely in respect of the acceleration of the Class 2 Component) by written notice to the Trustee has agreed with that determination, or (B) waived as provided in the Indenture.

No rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right resulting from the Default.

If an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Trustee shall retain the Class 2 Collateral intact, collect, and cause the collection of the proceeds of the Class 2 Collateral and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Class 2 Collateral and the Class 2 Components in the manner described under "—Priority of Payments—Class 2 Component Distribution" and the Indenture and shall not sell the Class 2 Collateral in any circumstances unless so directed by all of the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities, in which case the Trustee shall sell the Class 2 Collateral to the buyer identified by such Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities.

If an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee will retain the Collateral intact, collect, and cause the collection of the proceeds of the Collateral and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Collateral and the Notes and any Hedge Agreements (other than amounts received under a Hedge Agreement that are used in putting a replacement hedge in place) in the manner described under "—Priority of Payments" and the Indenture unless either:

(i) the Trustee determines (bid prices having been obtained with respect to each security contained in the Collateral from two nationally recognized dealers (or if there is only one dealer, that dealer and if there is no dealer, from a pricing service), selected and specified by the

Portfolio Manager to the Trustee in writing, at the time making a market in those securities, and having computed the anticipated proceeds of sale or liquidation on the basis of the lower of the bid prices for each security) that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would (after deduction of the reasonable expenses of the sale or liquidation) be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and the Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) under "—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds," and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination; or

(ii) either (x) the Holders of a Majority of each of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes or (y) in the event (A) the Aggregate Principal Balance is less than 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes or (B) there has been an Event of Default pursuant to clause (a) of the definition thereof with respect to the payment of interest on any Class of Notes that is part of the Controlling Class, a Super Majority of the Holders of the Controlling Class direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral.

During the continuance of an Event of Default, a Majority of the Controlling Class, or 100% of the Class 2 Combination Securities with respect to the acceleration of Class 2 Component by the Majority of the Class 2 Combination Securities, may institute and direct the Trustee in the conduct of any proceedings for any remedy available to the Trustee or for the exercise of any right of the Trustee under the Indenture if the direction does not conflict with any rule of law or with any express provision of the Indenture and the Trustee has been indemnified to its reasonable satisfaction. Any direction to the Trustee to undertake a sale of the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral, as the case may be, shall be by the Holders of Notes or Class 2 Combination Securities, as applicable, representing the requisite percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes or Class 2 Combination Securities, as applicable, specified in the Indenture. The Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability unless it has received an indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it against the liability.

A Majority of the Controlling Class on behalf of the Holders of all the Notes (or the Holders of 100% of the Class 2 Combination Securities with respect to the acceleration of the Class 2 Component) before the time a judgment or decree for the payment of money due has been obtained by the Trustee, waive any past Event of Default or event that, with notice or the lapse of time or both would become an Event of Default and its consequences, except such a default:

- (i) in the payment of principal or Redemption Price of any Note or any distribution owing in respect of the Class 2 Component, as the case may be, or in the payment of interest (including Defaulted Interest, Deferred Interest, and any interest on Defaulted Interest or Deferred Interest) on the Notes;
- (ii) with respect to a provision of the Indenture that cannot be modified or amended without the waiver or consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected by the modification or amendment;
- (iii) in the payment of amounts due to the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, or the Hedge Counterparty, which may only be waived with the consent of the affected party; or
- (iv) arising as a result of an Event of Default described in clause (e), (g) or (h) under "—Events of Default."



No Holder of any Note or Class 2 Combination Security may institute any proceeding with respect to the Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy under the Indenture, unless:

- (i) the Holder has previously given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default;
- (ii) the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class or, in the case of acceleration of the Class 2 Component by the Majority of the Class 2 Combination Securities, of the Class 2 Combination Securities, shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute Proceedings with respect to the Event of Default in its own name as Trustee under the Indenture and the Holders have offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with the request;
- (iii) the Trustee for 30 days after its receipt of the notice, request, and offer of indemnity has failed to institute a Proceeding; and
- (iv) no direction inconsistent with the written request has been given to the Trustee during the 30 day period by a Majority of the Controlling Class or, in the case of acceleration of the Class 2 Component by the Majority of the Class 2 Combination Securities, of the Class 2 Combination Securities.

If the Trustee receives conflicting or inconsistent requests and indemnity from two or more groups of Holders of the Controlling Class, each representing less than a Majority of the Controlling Class, the Trustee shall take the action requested by the Holders of the largest percentage in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, notwithstanding any other provisions of the Indenture.

Pursuant to the Indenture, any money deposited with a paying agent and not previously returned that remains unclaimed for 20 Business Days shall be returned to the Trustee and, except as otherwise required by applicable law, any cash deposited with the Trustee in trust or deposited with any paying agent for the payment of the principal of or interest on any Note or Combination Security and remaining unclaimed for two years after such principal or interest has become due and payable shall be paid to the Co-Issuers and the holder of such Note or Combination Security shall thereafter, as an unsecured general creditor, look only to the Issuer (in the case of the Notes or the Combination Securities or the Co-Issuer (in the case of the Notes) for payment of such amounts and all liability of the Trustee or such paying agent with respect to such cash (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Co-Issuers) shall thereupon cease.

## **Supplemental Indentures**

### *Without Consent of Holders*

Without the consent of the Holders of any Securities, but with the consent of the parties the consent of which is required as described in the following paragraph, the Co-Issuers, in each instance when authorized by resolutions of the respective Boards of Directors, and the Trustee, at any time and from time to time subject to the requirement provided below with respect to receipt of a Rating Confirmation, may enter into one or more indentures supplemental to the Indenture, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, for any of the following purposes:

- (1) to evidence the succession of another person to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and the assumption by the successor person of the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Indenture and in the Securities;

- (2) to add to the covenants of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee for the benefit of the Holders of the Securities or to surrender any right in the Indenture conferred on the Co-Issuers;
- (3) to convey, transfer, assign, mortgage, or pledge any property to the Trustee, or add to the conditions, limitations or restrictions on the authorized amount, terms and purposes of the issue, authentication and delivery of the Securities;
- (4) evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment under the Indenture by a successor Trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of the Indenture necessary to facilitate the administration of the trusts under the Indenture by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of the Indenture;
- (5) correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of the Indenture, or to better assure, convey, and confirm to the Trustee any property subject or required to be subject to the lien of the Indenture (including all actions appropriate as a result of changes in law) or to subject to the lien of the Indenture any additional property;
- (6) modify the restrictions on and procedures for resales and other transfers of the Securities to reflect any changes in applicable law (or its interpretation) or to enable the Co-Issuers to rely on any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities Act or the Investment Company Act or to remove restrictions on resale and transfer to the extent not required under the Indenture;
- (7) with the consent of the Portfolio Manager, to modify the restrictions on the sales of Collateral Obligations described in "Security for the Notes and the Combination Securities—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Reinvestment of Principal Proceeds and Reinvestment Criteria" or the Eligibility Criteria described in "Security for the Notes and the Combination Securities—Eligibility Criteria" (and the related definitions) in a manner not materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Portfolio Manager to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities;
- (8) make appropriate changes for any Class of Securities to be listed on an exchange other than the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange;
- (9) otherwise to correct any inconsistency or cure any ambiguity or errors in the Indenture;
- (10) accommodate the issuance of the Securities in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC or otherwise;
- (11) to take any appropriate action to prevent the Issuer, the Holders of Securities or the Trustee from becoming subject to withholding or other taxes, fees, or assessments or to prevent the Issuer from being treated as being engaged in a U.S. trade or business or otherwise being subject to U.S. federal, state, or local income tax on a net income basis, so long as the action will not cause the Holders of any Securities to be adversely affected to any material extent by any change to the timing, character, or source of the income from the Securities, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion);

- (12) to authorize the appointment of any listing agent, transfer agent, paying agent, or additional registrar for any Class of Securities appropriate in connection with the listing of any such Class of Securities on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange or any other stock exchange, and otherwise to amend the Indenture to incorporate any changes required or requested by any governmental authority, stock exchange authority, listing agent, transfer agent, paying agent, or additional registrar for any Class of Securities in connection with its appointment, so long as the supplemental indenture would not materially and adversely affect any Holder of Securities, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of the Securities;
- (13) to amend, modify, enter into, or accommodate the execution of any contract relating to a Synthetic Security (including posting collateral under a Synthetic Security Agreement);
- (14) to modify certain representations as to Collateral in the Indenture in order that it may be consistent with applicable laws or Rating Agency requirements;
- (15) to evidence any waiver by any Rating Agency as to any requirement or condition, as applicable, of the Rating Agency in the Indenture;
- (16) to facilitate the issuance of participation notes, combination notes, combination securities and other similar securities;
- (17) to facilitate hedging transactions;
- (18) to facilitate the ability of the Issuer to lend collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement;
- (19) to modify any provision to facilitate an exchange of one security for another security of the same issuers that has substantially identical terms except transfer restrictions, including to effect any serial designation relating to the exchange;
- (20) with the consent of the Portfolio Manager, to enter into any additional agreements not expressly prohibited by the Indenture as well as any amendment, modification, or waiver if the Issuer determines that the amendment, modification, or waiver would not, upon or after becoming effective, materially and adversely affect the rights or interest of the Holders of any Class of Securities, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Portfolio Manager, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities; or
- (21) provide for the issuance of additional Preference Shares to the extent permitted by the Preference Share Documents and to extend to such Preference Shares the benefits and provisions of the Preference Share Documents or the Indenture applicable to the Preference Shares.

Without the consent of the Portfolio Manager, no supplemental indenture may be entered into that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to the Portfolio Manager under the

Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Portfolio Manager. The Trustee is authorized to join in the execution of any such supplemental indenture and to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations that may be in the agreements, but the Trustee shall not be obligated to enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties, liabilities, or immunities under the Indenture or otherwise, except to the extent required by law. Unless notified by a Majority of any Class of Securities that the Class of Securities would be materially and adversely affected, the Trustee may rely on a certificate of the Portfolio Manager and an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) as to whether the interests of any Holder of Securities would be materially and adversely affected by any such supplemental indenture. The Trustee shall give at least 15 Business Days' notice of any such supplemental indenture described in the preceding sentence to the Holders of the Securities and to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares).

Except for a supplemental indenture described in clause (21) above, if any Outstanding Securities are rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee shall enter into a supplemental indenture without the consent of Holders only if either (1) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the supplemental indenture or (2) the Portfolio Manager and the Holders of 100% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Securities the ratings on which would be reduced or withdrawn consent to the supplemental indenture. Prior to the entry into any supplemental Indenture with respect to which a Rating Confirmation for one or more Classes of Securities is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Security informing them of such fact.

Without limiting any other requirement to deliver notice pursuant to the Indenture, for so long as any Securities are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee shall provide to the Rating Agency, Holders of the Notes and Combination Securities, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Hedge Counterparty a copy of any proposed supplemental indenture at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee.

*With Consent of Holders*

If the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency, with the consent of (a) the Portfolio Manager if the supplemental indenture would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under the Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Portfolio Manager, (b) a Majority of each Class of Notes adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of each such Class of Notes, (c) a Majority of each Class of Combination Securities adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of each Class of the Combination Securities and (d) a Majority of the Preference Shares adversely affected thereby, the Trustee and the Co-Issuers may enter into a supplemental indenture to add any provisions to, or change in any manner or eliminate any of the provisions of, the Indenture or modify in any manner the rights of the Holders of the Securities under the Indenture.

Any proposed supplemental indenture that would also necessitate a change to the Issuer Charter may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Issuer Charter) has been passed to permit the Issuer's constitutional documents to be altered to conform them to the proposed change to the Indenture as certified to the Trustee by the Issuer.

Notwithstanding anything in the Indenture to the contrary, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Security adversely affected thereby, no supplemental indenture shall:

- (i) change the Stated Maturity of the principal of or the due date of any installment of interest on any Note or the Class 2 Component or of any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, reduce the principal amount or

the rate of interest on any Security, or the Default Interest Rate or the Redemption Price with respect to any Note or the Class 2 Component or Preference Share, or change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or the Class 2 Component or Preference Share may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer, change the provisions of the Indenture relating to the application of proceeds of any Collateral to the payment of principal of or interest on the Securities and the application of proceeds of any Class 2 Collateral or Preference Share Component corresponding to their related Components or to payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, or change any place where, or the coin or currency in which, Securities or their principal or interest are paid or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after their Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the applicable Redemption Date);

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class or Combination Securities or Holders of Preference Shares whose consent is required for the authorization of any such supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of the Indenture or certain defaults under the Indenture or their consequences provided for in the Indenture;

(iii) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on a parity with the lien of the Indenture with respect to any part of the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral or terminate the lien on any property at any time subject hereto or deprive the Holder of any Security of the security afforded by the lien of the Indenture;

(iv) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class whose consent is required to request the Trustee to preserve the Collateral pursuant to the Indenture or to sell or liquidate the Collateral or the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities whose consent is required to preserve the Class 2 Collateral or rescind the Trustee's election to preserve the Class 2 Collateral, as the case may be, pursuant to the Indenture;

(v) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture with respect to supplemental indentures or to provide that certain other provisions of the Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note, Preference Share and Combination Security affected thereby;

(vi) modify the definition of "Outstanding," "Controlling Class," or "Majority," or the Priority of Payments in the Indenture; or

(vii) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of Redemption Price or of interest or principal on any Note or the Class 2 Component or any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the payment of dividends or other payments on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date or to affect the rights of the Holders of Notes or Preference Shares or the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of the Notes, the Class 2 Component or the Preference Shares contained in the Indenture.

Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the above provision, the Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail to the Holders of the Notes and the Combination Securities, the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Securities are Outstanding) a copy of such supplemental indenture and shall request any required consent from the applicable Holders of Securities to be given within the Initial Consent Period. Any consent given to a proposed supplemental indenture by the Holder of any Securities shall be irrevocable and

binding on all future Holders or beneficial owners of that Security, irrespective of the execution date of the supplemental indenture. If the Holders of less than the required percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the relevant Securities consent to a proposed supplemental indenture within the Initial Consent Period, on the first Business Day after the Initial Consent Period, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager which Holders of Securities have consented to the proposed supplemental indenture and, which Holders (and, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the Trustee, which beneficial owners) have not consented to the proposed supplemental indenture. To the extent that any Holder of Class A-1 Notes fails to respond to the consent solicitation relating to the proposed supplemental indenture after the Non-Call Period, such Holder shall be deemed to have cast its vote against adopting such supplemental indenture and, as a result, such Holder shall be subject to the Amendment Buy-Out. If it intends to exercise its Amendment Buy-Out Option, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall so notify the Trustee in writing (which notice shall designate a date for the Amendment Buy-Out to occur no earlier than 10 Business Days after the date of such notice) no later than five (5) Business Days after so being notified by the Trustee and the Trustee shall mail such notice to all Holders of Notes and Combination Securities and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares). Any Non-Consenting Holder may deliver written consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture until the 5<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the date of the Amendment Buy-Out designated by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and in such case shall cease to be a Non-Consenting Holder for purposes of the Amendment Buy-Out. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser exercises its Amendment Buy-Out Option and purchases the applicable Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, as Holder or beneficial owner of the applicable Securities, may consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture within five (5) Business Days of the Amendment Buy-Out.

It shall not be necessary for any Act of Holders of Securities under the above provision to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if the Act or consent approves its substance.

At the cost of the Co-Issuers, for so long as any Notes are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee will provide to the Rating Agency a copy of any proposed supplemental indenture at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee and a copy of the executed supplemental indenture will be mailed to the Holders of the Notes and the Combination Securities, the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency after its execution.

*Additional Issuance of Preference Shares.*

The Indenture will provide that, at any time during the Reinvestment Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or as otherwise permitted under the Preference Share Documents and the Indenture; *provided*, that the following conditions are met: (a) the terms of the Preference Shares issued must be identical to the terms of previously issued Preference Shares (except that the price at which such additional Preference Shares may be offered may differ from the applicable initial offering price); (b) the net proceeds of any additional Preference Shares are used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations; and (c) an opinion of tax counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters shall be delivered to the Trustee to the effect that such additional issuance will not result in the Issuer being deemed to engage in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Such additional Preference Shares may be offered at prices that differ from the applicable initial offering price; *provided* that such initial offering price shall not be below 100% of the face amount of the additional Preference Shares being offered.

Any additional Preference Shares issued will, to the extent reasonably practicable, be offered first to the existing Holders of the Preference Shares, in such amounts as are necessary to preserve their *pro rata* holdings of Preference Shares. By its acceptance of the Preference Shares, each Holder of a

Preference Share agrees that additional Preference Shares can be issued in accordance with the Preference Share Documents and the Indenture without consent of any Holder of the Securities.

Neither of the Co-Issuers may at any time issue additional Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes, Class B Notes, Class C Notes, Class D Notes or other obligations with terms similar to those of such Classes of Notes.

### **Amendment Buy-Out**

In the case of any supplemental indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Securities (other than Class 2 Combination Securities but including Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Component of the Class 2 Combination Securities) held by such Holders of the Class of Securities whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture (the "**Amendment Buy-Out Option**") for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price. In the event that Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities are Non-Consenting Holders in connection with a supplemental indenture, the Class 2 Combination Securities shall not be subject to the Amendment Buy-Out Option. However, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to cause the Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Component of the Class 2 Combination Securities be distributed to such Holder in accordance with the Indenture and, upon such distribution, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser may then subject the Preference Shares so distributed to the Amendment Buy-Out provisions described hereunder. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all such Securities (other than Class 2 Combination Securities but including Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Component of the Class 2 Combination Securities distributed as described in the immediately preceding sentence) of Non-Consenting Holders, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an "**Amendment Buy-Out**"). By its acceptance of its Securities under the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents, as applicable, each Holder of Securities agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its applicable Securities (other than the Class 2 Combination Securities but including Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Component of the Class 2 Combination Securities distributed as described above) to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser; *provided* that if, the solicited consent to a supplemental indenture only applies to one Component of a Class 1 Combination Security, the Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell, at the Non-Consenting Holder's option, its Class 1 Combination Security as a whole or solely the affected Component. Neither the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser nor any other Person shall have any liability to any Holder or beneficial owner of Securities as a result of an election by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser not to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option. Pursuant to the definition of "Non-Consenting Holder", during the Non-Call Period, "Non-Consenting Holder" shall exclude any Holder of Class A-1 Notes (unless such Holder has consented in writing to be designated as a Non-Consenting Holder) and the Amendment Buy-Out Option shall not be applicable to such Class A-1 Notes. For the avoidance of doubt, nothing described above or in the Indenture shall in any way limit or restrict the rights of the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes to consent or withhold their consent to a supplemental indenture or to otherwise vote their interest both during and after the Non-Call Period.

All purchases made pursuant to an Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Securities set forth in "Transfer Restrictions" and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

### **Voting Rights of the Preference Shares**

Holders of the Preference Shares will have no voting rights, either general or special, of the Issuer, except as set forth in the Preference Share Documents, as required by Cayman Islands law or as otherwise described herein. The Holders of Combination Securities shall be entitled to voting rights in respect of their Preference Share Components in the proportion that the Face Amount of their Preference Share Components bears to the Face Amount of all Preference Shares and shall not have voting rights as a separate Class except to the extent otherwise expressly provided in the Indenture.

### **Notices**

Notices to the Holders of the Securities will be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the registered Holders of the Notes and the Combination Securities at their respective addresses appearing in the Indenture Register and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares). If and for so long as any Class of Securities is listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, notice will also be given to the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange.

### **Certain Covenants**

The Indenture contains certain covenants restricting the conduct of the Co-Issuers, including (i) restrictions on consolidations, mergers and transfers or conveyances of assets involving either Co-Issuer, (ii) restrictions on incurrence of debt other than the Notes and the Combination Securities and certain obligations incidental to the performance by each Co-Issuer of its obligations under the Indenture, (iii) restrictions on the ability of either Co-Issuer to conduct activities inconsistent with its special-purpose nature and (iv) certain restrictions on amendments of the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Management Agreement.

### **Certain Additional Issues Relating to Listing of Securities**

Application will be made for each Class of Securities to be admitted to the official list of the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange. There can be no assurance that any such admission will be granted or maintained.

The Indenture provides that, so long as any Securities remain Outstanding, the Co-Issuers shall use all reasonable efforts to obtain and maintain the listing of the Securities (other than the Class 2 Combination Securities) on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange.

### **Cancellation**

All Securities that are paid in full or redeemed and surrendered for cancellation will forthwith be canceled and may not be reissued or resold.

### **No Gross-Up**

All payments made by the Issuer under the Securities will be made without any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax unless the deduction or withholding is required by any applicable law, as modified by the practice of any relevant governmental revenue authority, then in effect. If the Issuer is so required to deduct or withhold, then the Issuer will not be obligated to pay any additional amounts in respect of the withholding or deduction.



## **Petitions for Bankruptcy**

The Indenture provides that the Trustee, each Hedge Counterparty, the Portfolio Manager and the Holders of the Notes and Combination Securities may not cause the Issuer or Co-Issuer to petition for bankruptcy before one year and one day have elapsed since the final payments to the Holders of all Notes and Combination Securities or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, including any period established pursuant to the laws of the Cayman Islands.

## **Standard of Conduct**

The Indenture provides that, in exercising any of its or their voting rights, rights to direct and consent or any other rights as a Noteholder or a Combination Securityholder under the Indenture, subject to the terms and conditions of the Indenture, a Noteholder or a Combination Securityholder shall not have any obligation or duty to any Person or to consider or take into account the interests of any Person and shall not be liable to any Person for any action taken by it or them or at its or their direction or any failure by it or them to act or to direct that an action be taken, without regard to whether the action or inaction benefits or adversely affects any Noteholder, any Combination Securityholder, the Issuer, or any other Person, except for any liability to which the Noteholder or Combination Securityholder may be subject to the extent the same results from the Noteholders or Combination Securityholders taking or directing an action, or failing to take or direct an action, in bad faith or in violation of the express terms of the Indenture.

## **Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture**

The Indenture will be discharged with respect to the Notes, the Combination Securities, the Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral upon delivery to the Trustee for cancellation of all of the Notes and the Combination Securities or, within certain limitations (including the obligation to pay interest on or principal of the Notes and the obligation to make payments with respect to the Class 2 Component) upon deposit with the Trustee of funds sufficient for the payment or redemption thereof and the payment by the Co-Issuers or the Issuer, as applicable, of all other amounts due under the Indenture. The Indenture shall remain in effect after such time as the Notes and Preference Shares have been redeemed or paid in full if the Class 2 Bond forming part of the Class 2 Collateral has not matured or has not been distributed in-kind to the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities and after such payments have been made in full, the Indenture shall be discharged.

## **Trustee**

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, will be the Trustee under the Indenture. The Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager and their respective Affiliates may maintain other banking relationships in the ordinary course of business with the Trustee and its Affiliates. The payment of the fees and expenses of the Trustee relating to the Notes and Combination Securities is solely the obligation of the Issuer. The payment of the fees and expenses, which will be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments, is secured by a lien on the Collateral which is senior to the lien of the Holders of the Notes and Combination Securities. The Trustee and its Affiliates may receive compensation in connection with the investment of trust assets in certain Eligible Investments as provided in the Indenture. Eligible Investments may include investments for which the Trustee or its affiliates provide services. The Indenture contains provisions for the indemnification of the Trustee for any loss, liability or expense incurred without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of the Indenture.

Pursuant to the Indenture, as security for the payment by the Issuer of the compensation and expenses of the Trustee and any sums the Trustee may be entitled to receive as indemnification by the

Issuer, the Issuer will grant the Trustee a senior lien on the Collateral, which is senior to the lien of the holders of the Secured Obligations on the Collateral.

Pursuant to the Indenture, the Trustee may resign at any time by providing 30 days' written notice and the Trustee may be removed at any time by a Majority of the Controlling Class, or by order of a court of competent jurisdiction. However, no resignation or removal of the Trustee will become effective until the acceptance of appointment by a successor Trustee pursuant to the terms of the Indenture.

### **Governing Law**

The Notes, the Combination Securities, the Indenture, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Management Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Placement Agency Agreement, the Subscription Agreements, the Securities Lending Agreements, and the Hedge Agreements will be governed by the laws of the State of New York. The Administration Agreement and the Issuer Charter will be governed by the laws of the Cayman Islands.

Subject to the provisions relating to submission of jurisdiction contained in each of the agreements listed above that are governed by the laws of the State of New York, as a general matter, the parties of such agreements have agreed to submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or federal court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York, and that all claims in respect of the action or proceeding may be heard and determined in the New York State or federal court.

### **Method of Payments**

Payments of principal and interest on any Note or Combination Security or payments on or in respect of the Preference Shares (including, in each case, any Redemption Price paid on the applicable Redemption Date) and of any payments on any Notes or Preference Shares will be made to the person in whose name the related Note Combination Security or Preference Share is registered fifteen days before the applicable Payment Date (the "**Record Date**"). Payments will be made (i) in the case of a Global Security, to the Depository or its designee and to the Holder or its nominee with respect to a Certificated Security, by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a United States dollar account maintained by the Depository or its nominee with respect to a Global Security and to the Holder or its designee with respect to a Certificated Security if the Holder has provided written wiring instructions to the Trustee (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent) on or before the related Record Date or, (ii) if appropriate wiring instructions are not received by the related Record Date, by check drawn on a U.S. bank mailed to the address of the Holder in the Indenture Register (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Preference Share register). Final payments of principal of the Notes, Combination Securities or Preference Shares will be made against surrender of the related Notes or Preference Shares at the office designated by the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent. None of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agent, any paying agent, or any of their respective affiliates will have any responsibility or liability for any aspects of the records maintained by the Depository or its nominee or any of its direct or indirect participants (including Euroclear or Clearstream or any of their respective direct or indirect participants) relating to payments made on account of beneficial interests in a Global Security.

The Co-Issuers expect that the Depository or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment of principal or interest in respect of a Global Security held by the Depository or its nominee, will immediately credit participants' accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the Global Security as shown on the records of the Depository or its nominee. The Co-Issuers also expect that payments by participants (i.e., direct participants) to owners of beneficial interests in a Global Security held through the participants (i.e., indirect participants) will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of

customers registered in the names of nominees for the customers. The payments will be the responsibility of the participants.

### **Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement**

Pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agent will perform various fiscal services with respect to the Preference Shares on behalf of the Issuer, including the maintenance of the Preference Shares Distribution Account and the making of distributions on the Preference Shares. The Preference Shares Paying Agent will deliver or request the Trustee to deliver all Monthly Reports and Valuation Reports prepared pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deliver, or shall cause the Trustee to deliver, a copy of any other notice or information it receives from the Trustee under the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case by first class mail, postage prepaid, to each Holder of a Preference Share at the address appearing in the Preference Share register. The payment of the fees and expenses of the Preference Shares Paying Agent is solely the obligation of the Issuer. The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement contains provisions for the indemnification of the Preference Shares Paying Agent for any loss, liability or expense incurred without gross negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith on its part, arising out of or in connection with the performance of its function under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Issuer is scheduled to redeem the Preference Shares for a redemption price equal to all amounts distributable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares as provided under "—Priority of Payments," unless the Preference Shares have been redeemed earlier through an optional redemption as described herein or otherwise.

The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York. The rights of the Holders of the Preference Shares will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the Cayman Islands.

### **The Issuer Charter**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Issuer Charter relating to the Preference Shares that are not referred to elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum.

#### *Voting Rights*

Other than as provided below, only the holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares shall have the right to receive notice of, attend at and vote as a shareholder of the Issuer at any general meeting of the Issuer. Every holder of an Issuer Ordinary Share present at any meeting shall, on a show of hands, be entitled to one vote and, on a poll, shall be entitled to one vote per Issuer Ordinary Share held by such holder.

The Holders of the Preference Shares shall have the right to receive notice of, attend at and vote as a shareholder of the Issuer at any general meeting of the Issuer only in respect of a resolution which relates to any circumstance or matter which under the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents or the Management Agreement can take place or occur only at the direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares (a "**Preference Share Vote**"). Every Holder of Preference Shares present shall, on a show of hands, be entitled to one vote and, on a poll, shall be entitled to one vote per Preference Share held by such Holder except that, in relation to a Preference Share Vote relating to certain matters (as set out in the Indenture) Preference Shares held by certain Holders (as set out in the Indenture), shall be ignored.

*Liquidation*

In the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Issuer:

(i) the Holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares at the time outstanding will be entitled to receive out of the assets of the Issuer available for distribution to shareholders, before any distribution of assets is made to Holders of the Preference Shares, an amount equal to U.S.\$1.00 in respect of each Issuer Ordinary Share held by each such holder; and

(ii) the Holders of the Preference Shares at the time Outstanding will be entitled to the balance of the assets of the Issuer available for distribution to shareholders, after distribution of amounts due to holders of Issuer Ordinary Shares under the above subparagraph, *pro rata* according to the number of Preference Shares held by each such holder.

If the assets available for distribution to holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares are not sufficient to pay to such holders U.S.\$1.00 in respect of each Issuer Ordinary Share, the available assets shall be distributed to holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares *pro rata* according to the number of Issuer Ordinary Shares held by each such holder.

*Transfer*

The rights of a Holder of a Preference Share to transfer such Preference Share are subject to restrictions set out in the Preference Share Documents and as described in "Transfer Restrictions."

*Petitions for Bankruptcy*

Each Holder of a Preference Share will be required to agree (or be deemed to have agreed) not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect.

### USE OF PROCEEDS

The Securities will be issued and sold for Cash on the Closing Date. The gross proceeds from the issuance of such Securities on the Closing Date are expected to equal approximately U.S.\$900,000,000 and will be used by the Issuer to:

- purchase a portfolio of Collateral Obligations;
- fund the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to cover any future draws on Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans;
- enter into any Hedge Agreements, as applicable;
- enter into any Securities Lending Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the Securities Lending Account);
- enter into Synthetic Security Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the related accounts);
- repurchase and terminate Participations outstanding under the Warehouse Agreement (at a price reflecting the price originally paid by the Issuer to acquire the Warehoused Loans, *minus* the aggregate amount of any payments of principal received by the Warehouse Provider in respect of such Warehoused Loans, *plus* any accrued and unpaid interest on the Warehoused Loans accruing on or after the date the Issuer acquired such Warehoused Loans until the Closing Date);
- fund the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account;
- purchase the Class 2 Bond for deposit into the Class 2 Component Account;
- pay the costs and expenses of the offering; and
- undertake certain related activities.

### SECURITY FOR THE NOTES AND THE COMBINATION SECURITIES

The Notes, the Combination Securities and the Issuer's obligations under the Hedge Agreements and the Management Agreement will be secured by the following:

- (i) the Collateral Obligations and all Workout Assets;
- (ii) the Custodial Account, the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Securities Lending Account (such accounts, collectively, the "**Issuer Accounts**"), Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, and all income from the investment of funds in the Issuer Accounts;
- (iii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account (and together with the Issuer Accounts, the "**Accounts**") and assets included therein, subject to the terms of the related Synthetic Security (*provided, however*, that any such rights in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee (or securities intermediary) first to secure the Issuer's payment obligations to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty and second for the benefit of the Secured Parties);

- (iv) the Management Agreement, the Securities Lending Agreements, the Hedge Agreements as set forth in the Indenture and the Collateral Administration Agreement;
- (v) all Cash or money delivered to the Trustee (or its bailee); and
- (vi) all proceeds with respect to the foregoing (collectively, the "**Collateral**").

For the avoidance of any doubt, Collateral will exclude (i) amounts released from the Trustee's lien in connection with certain Synthetic Securities, Hedge Agreements and Securities Lending Agreements in accordance with the Indenture, (ii) the Class 2 Collateral and (iii) the Excluded Property.

The Class 2 Combination Securities (to the extent of the Class 2 Component), and no other Class of Securities will be secured by the Class 2 Component Account (including the Class 2 Bond deposited into the Class 2 Component Account) and any property of any type deposited into the Class 2 Component Account and all proceeds with respect to the foregoing (collectively, the "**Class 2 Collateral**").

### **Purchase of Collateral Obligations**

The Indenture will provide that the Portfolio Manager will use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the Issuer to purchase or enter into binding commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations that meet certain minimum amounts and characteristics. The composition of the portfolio of Collateral Obligations will be eligible for purchase by the Issuer if it meets the Eligibility Criteria and will be determined by the selections of the Portfolio Manager designed to meet the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests and the Reinvestment Criteria. See "—Eligibility Criteria," "—The Collateral Quality Tests" and "—The Coverage Tests."

The Portfolio Manager expects that, by the end of the Ramp-Up Period, the Issuer will have purchased or committed to purchase Collateral Obligations having an Aggregate Principal Balance of at least \$872,000,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date).

### **Eligibility Criteria**

On any date during the Reinvestment Period (and, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations, on any date after the Reinvestment Period), so long as no Event of Default is continuing, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to invest or reinvest Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations) in Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral into the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) if the conditions specified in the Indenture are satisfied. No obligations may be purchased unless each of the conditions in the following clauses (1) through (12) (the "**Eligibility Criteria**") is satisfied as evidenced by a certificate of the Portfolio Manager as of the date the Issuer commits to make the purchase, in each case after giving effect to the purchase and all other purchases and sales previously or simultaneously committed to:

- (1) the obligation is a Collateral Obligation;
- (2) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period:
  - (A) each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied and, if the commitment is made on or after the second Payment Date, each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied; or

- (B) if any such Coverage Test is not satisfied, both:
  - (i) the extent of satisfaction of such Coverage Test is not reduced; and
  - (ii) the Collateral Obligation is being purchased with Principal Proceeds other than:
    - (x) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or
    - (y) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Workout Asset that has been received in exchange for a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
- (3) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Diversity Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (4) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (5) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, each of the limits in the definition of "Concentration Limitations" is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (6) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (7) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (8) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (9) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (10) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (11) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced; provided, however, that this Eligibility Criterion (11) shall not apply either to reinvestment of the proceeds from the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset or to the reinvestment of Principal Proceeds in respect of Defaulted Collateral Obligations; and
- (12) for any date occurring after the Reinvestment Period:
  - (A) each Coverage Test is satisfied and the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
  - (B) each Collateral Quality Test is maintained or improved;

(C) each Concentration Limitation is maintained or improved;

(D) the maturity date of such Collateral Obligation will occur on or prior to the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied;

(E) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation is at least equal to the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments or of the Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable; and.

(F) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations to be purchased in connection with such sale must be no less than the aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations sold or prepaid.

The Issuer may, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, exchange a Collateral Obligation for another Collateral Obligation in an exchange of one security for another security of the same issuers that has substantially identical terms except transfer restrictions.

Cash on deposit in the Collection Account may be invested at any time in Eligible Investments in accordance with this "Eligibility Criteria" section pending investment in Collateral Obligations.

The Indenture provides that any sale or purchase by the Issuer of a Collateral Obligation shall be conducted on an arm's length basis and, if effected with the Portfolio Manager or a person Affiliated with the Portfolio Manager or any fund or account for which the Portfolio Manager or an Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager acts as investment adviser, shall be effected in accordance with the requirements the Management Agreement on terms no less favorable to the Issuer than would be the case if the person were not so Affiliated.

### **The Collateral Quality Tests**

The Collateral Quality Tests will be used primarily as criteria for purchasing Collateral Obligations. See "—Eligibility Criteria" above and "—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Reinvestment of Principal Proceeds and Reinvestment Criteria" below. The Collateral Quality Tests are described below.

Measurement of the degree of compliance with the Collateral Quality Tests will be required on each Measurement Date on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

#### *The Diversity Test*

The "**Diversity Test**" is a test that will be satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Diversity Score as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score.

#### *Weighted Average Life Test*

The "**Weighted Average Life Test**" is a test that will be satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and the Payment Date in February, 2015 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date.

#### *Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test*

The "**Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test**" is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 44.8%.



*Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test*

The "**Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test**" is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 51.7%.

"**S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate**" is a rate, as of any Measurement Date, equal to the number obtained by:

- (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate;
- (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations; and
- (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

*Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test*

The "**Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test**" is a test that is satisfied if, as of any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 8.00%.

*Weighted Average Spread Test*

The "**Weighted Average Spread Test**" is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if (i) the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread and (ii) the Weighted Average Commitment Fee as of such Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Commitment Fee.

*Weighted Average Rating Factor Test*

The "**Weighted Average Rating Factor Test**" is a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of the Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor.

*S&P CDO Monitor Test*

The "**S&P CDO Monitor Test**" is a test that will be satisfied on any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive. The S&P CDO Monitor Test shall be considered to be improved if each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is at least equal to the corresponding Note Class Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio. The S&P CDO Monitor Test is not required to be satisfied or improved upon the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation and the reinvestment of the related Sale Proceeds in additional Collateral Obligations. For purposes of the S&P CDO Monitor Test:

- (i) the S&P Rating of any S&P Unrated DIP Loan shall be "CCC-"; and
- (ii) the S&P Industry Classification for a Synthetic Security shall be that of the related Reference Obligation and not the Synthetic Security.

The "**Note Class Loss Differential**" with respect to any Measurement Date and any Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the rate calculated by subtracting the Class Scenario Loss Rate for such Class from the then-applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate for such Class of Notes.

The "**Note Break-Even Loss Rate**" with respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the maximum percentage of defaults that the Current Portfolio or Proposed Portfolio can sustain and nevertheless sufficient funds will remain for the payment of principal of such Class of Notes in full by its Stated Maturity and the timely payment of interest on the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes and the ultimate payment of interest on the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes using S&P's assumptions on recoveries, defaults, and timing, and taking into account the Priority of Payments and the adjusted Weighted Average Spread level specified in the applicable row of the table below. The adjusted Weighted Average Spread as of any Measurement Date is the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date *minus* the amount of any Spread Excess added to the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon as of the Measurement Date.

<b>Row</b>	<b>Adjusted Weighted Average Spread</b>
1	Greater than or equal to 3.05%
2	Greater than or equal to 2.95% but less than 3.05%
3	Greater than or equal to 2.85% but less than 2.95%
4	Greater than or equal to 2.75% but less than 2.85%
5	Greater than or equal to 2.65% but less than 2.75%
6	Greater than or equal to 2.55% but less than 2.65%
7	Greater than or equal to 2.45% but less than 2.55%
8	Greater than or equal to 2.35% but less than 2.45%
9	Greater than or equal to 2.25% but less than 2.35%

## **The Coverage Tests**

### *General*

The Coverage Tests will be used to determine, among other things, whether Notes will be redeemed in certain circumstances as described under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments" and whether additional Collateral Obligations may be acquired as described under "—Eligibility Criteria." There will not be any Coverage Test applicable to the Preference Shares.

### *The Overcollateralization Tests*

The "**Overcollateralization Tests**" will consist of the Class A/B Overcollateralization Test, the Class C Overcollateralization Test and the Class D Overcollateralization Test.

Each Overcollateralization Test will be satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes (treating the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes as one Class for this purpose) on any Measurement Date if, as of such Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the specified required level for the Class indicated in the table in "Summary of Terms—The Overcollateralization Tests."

The Overcollateralization Ratio, with respect to each Class of Notes (treating the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes as one Class for this purpose) on any Measurement Date, is referred to as an "**Overcollateralization Ratio**," and is the ratio calculated by *dividing*:

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator; by

- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it (excluding any Deferred Interest on the Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it).

The "**Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator**" is, on any date, the sum of:

- (1) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (other than any Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, any Deep Discount Obligations, and any Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an "event of default" (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing); *plus*
- (2) unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal (excluding any unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal in respect of Non-Performing Collateral Obligations); *plus*
- (3) the Aggregate Principal Balance of any Eligible Investments that were purchased with Principal Proceeds and, without duplication, the amount of Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
- (4) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Eligible Investments on deposit in a Securities Lending Account that relate to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an "event of default" (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing; *plus*
- (5) with respect Collateral Obligation that are Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, Deep Discount Obligations or Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, the amount determined by using one of the following methods applicable to such type of Collateral Obligation; *provided* that if a Collateral Obligation falls within more than one of such types, the Issuer will be required to use the method that results in the smallest amount:
  - (A) with respect to any Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, an amount equal to the product of (i) the lower of (1) 70% and (2) the weighted average Market Value of all CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances *multiplied* by (ii) the Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations
  - (B) with respect to any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, the aggregate of the Applicable Collateral Obligation Amounts for all included Non-Performing Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations that have been held by the Issuer for more than three years, which shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this clause (B)); and
  - (C) with respect to any Deep Discount Obligations, the Aggregate Purchase Price Amount for all Deep Discount Obligations.

As used in this definition, "**Applicable Collateral Obligation Amount**" for any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation means:

- (1) the lesser of (x) the Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation and (y) the Applicable Percentage for the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation *multiplied* by:
- (2) if the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation is:

- (A) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (B) through (D) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (B) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (C) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and
- (D) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

As used in the calculation of Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation, the Principal Balance of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall be, if the Defaulted Collateral Obligation is:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (ii) through (iv) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and
- (iv) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

#### *The Interest Coverage Tests*

The Interest Coverage Test in respect of each Class of Notes (each an "**Interest Coverage Test**") is a test the first Measurement Date for which will be on the second Payment Date and that is satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes (treating the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes as one Class for this purpose) if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level specified in the table in "Summary of Terms— The Interest Coverage Tests."

The "**Interest Coverage Ratio**" with respect to any specified Class of Notes (treating the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes as one Class for this purpose) on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by dividing:

- (i) the sum of:
  - (A) the Interest Proceeds received or scheduled to be received with respect to the Due Period in which the Measurement Date occurs; *minus*
  - (B) amounts payable under clauses (1), (2), (3) and (4) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" on the related Payment Date; by
- (ii) all accrued and unpaid interest on the specified Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to the Class, including any Deferred Interest on the related Payment Date.

For purposes of the Interest Coverage Ratio, only the amount of any interest payment (including any "gross up" payment) on any Collateral Obligation in excess of any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction on any date of determination shall be included in Interest Proceeds.

*Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test*

The "**Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test**" is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 104.95%.

**Ramp-Up**

In connection with the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer shall use its best efforts to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period or enter into commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period for purchase on or as soon as practicable thereafter (not to exceed 60 days thereafter), in each case, for inclusion in the Collateral so that each of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$872,000,000.

No Collateral Obligations may be purchased prior to the Ramp-Up Completion Date unless immediately following the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (as certified by the Portfolio Manager in writing), the remaining funds in the Collection Account, after giving effect to such purchase, are sufficient as of the date of determination to purchase Collateral Obligations for inclusion in the Collateral so that each of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$872,000,000 (taking into account the Collateral Obligations already part of the Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date)).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, or any other provision of the Indenture, if the Issuer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase a Collateral Obligation to be included in the Collateral, such commitment initially not to exceed 60 days, and at the time of the commitment the Collateral Obligation complied with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set forth under "—Ramp-Up," the Issuer may consummate the purchase of the Collateral Obligation notwithstanding that the Collateral Obligation fails to comply with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set out above on the date of settlement.

The Issuer will use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase, or to enter into binding agreements to purchase, Collateral Obligations by the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that, together with the Collateral Obligations purchased on or before the Closing Date and then held by the Issuer, will satisfy, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date), the Collateral Quality Tests, the Concentration Limitations, the criteria set forth in the Indenture and the Overcollateralization Tests.

Within 5 Business Days after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Issuer) shall request a Rating Confirmation on behalf of the Issuer and shall provide a report to the Rating Agencies identifying the Collateral Obligations then included in the Collateral and the Issuer shall obtain and deliver to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies, together with the delivery of a report (and an electronic file of the Collateral Obligations to S&P) substantially in the form of a Monthly Report as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, an accountants' certificate:

(i) confirming the maturity date, rating, spread and recovery rate for each item of original Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date and the information provided by the Issuer with respect to every other asset included in the Collateral, by reference to such sources as shall be specified therein;

(ii) confirming that as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date:

(1) each of the Coverage Tests are satisfied;

(2) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owned or committed to purchase as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date is at least equal to the Maximum Investment Amount; and

(3) the Collateral Obligations comply with all of the requirements of the Collateral Quality Tests and the Concentration Limitations and the criteria set forth in "—Eligibility Criteria"; and

(iii) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing statements.

If a Rating Confirmation Failure should occur, the Notes will be redeemed pursuant to the Indenture and as described in "Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes upon Rating Confirmation Failure."

#### **Sale of Collateral Obligations; Reinvestment of Principal Proceeds and Reinvestment Criteria**

Pursuant to the Indenture and so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, direct the Trustee to sell (and the Trustee will sell) any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset if the sale meets the requirements in paragraphs (i) through (ix) below:

(i) *Credit Risk Securities.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Risk Obligation at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Risk Obligation in accordance with such direction. Following any sale of a Credit Risk Obligation pursuant to the Indenture, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager during the Reinvestment Period, the Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (to the extent the purchase is in the best interest of the Issuer) with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Sale Proceeds received by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral Obligation sold. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount.

(ii) *Credit Improved Obligations.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Improved Obligation if either:

(1) during the Reinvestment Period, the Portfolio Manager believes before the sale that it will be able to cause the Issuer to reinvest its Sale Proceeds, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria, in one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Credit Improved Obligation by the end of the immediately succeeding Due Period (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and

Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest); or

- (2) after the Reinvestment Period, the Sale Proceeds received in respect of the Credit Improved Obligation are at least equal to its Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest);

and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Improved Obligation in accordance with such direction. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this clause (ii), the Portfolio Manager may not direct the sale of a Credit Improved Obligation during the period from and after notice of a removal or resignation of the Portfolio Manager has been delivered in accordance with the Management Agreement and until a successor portfolio manager has been appointed pursuant to the Management Agreement and has agreed in writing to assume all of the Portfolio Manager's duties and obligations pursuant to the Management Agreement and the Indenture as described herein under "The Management Agreement."

- (iii) *Non-Performing Collateral Obligations and Current-Pay Obligations.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Current-Pay Obligation at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Current-Pay Obligation in accordance with such direction. Non-Performing Collateral Obligations may be sold regardless of price.
- (iv) *Non-qualifying Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell that obligation in accordance with such direction.
- (v) *Withholding Tax Sales.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation subject to withholding tax at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction.
- (vi) *Optional Redemption.* After the Issuer has notified the Trustee of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all or a portion of the Collateral Obligations as contemplated therein if (A) the requirements in respect of an Optional Redemption under the Indenture have been satisfied and (B) the independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to the Indenture have confirmed the calculations contained in any required certificate furnished by the Portfolio Manager pursuant to the Indenture's Note redemption procedure provisions. After a Majority of the Preference Shares have directed an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Indenture, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all of the remaining Collateral Obligations (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to clause (i) under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares") or a portion of the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous directions of Holders of the Preference Shares (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to clause (ii) under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—

Preference Shares") and the Trustee shall sell the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

- (vii) *Rating Confirmation Failure.* After the Portfolio Manager has received notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Securities, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, direct the Trustee to sell Collateral Obligations as contemplated in the Indenture and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.
- (viii) *Discretionary Sales.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation:
  - (1) at any time on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without regard to any restriction specified in clause (2) below); and
  - (2) at any time after the Ramp-Up Completion Date if:
    - (A) after giving effect to the sale and the sale of any other Collateral Obligations whose sale is pending, the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations sold under "—Discretionary Sales" (in each case determined as of the date the direction to sell is given) is not greater than 20% of the Maximum Investment Amount as of January 1 of such calendar year (or, for the first calendar year, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date) (for the purpose of determining the percentage of Collateral Obligations sold during any such period, the amount of any Collateral Obligation sold shall be reduced (a) to the extent of any purchases of Collateral Obligations of the same obligor (which are *pari passu* with such sold Collateral Obligation) occurring within 30 Business Days of the sale (determined based on the date of any relevant trade confirmation or commitment letter) (but only for so long as (x) the Collateral Obligations purchased have not been downgraded by any of the Rating Agencies during the 30 Business Day period, (y) the Collateral Obligations have not been purchased from the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates acting, in each case, as principal or from any funds or accounts advised or managed by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates, and (z) the purchase price of each such Collateral Obligation must not exceed the sale price of the sold Collateral Obligation) and (b) to the extent of any purchases of Collateral Obligations permitted pursuant to the second paragraph set forth under "—Eligibility Criteria"; and
    - (B) during the Reinvestment Period the Portfolio Manager believes before the sale that it will be able to cause the Issuer within 30 days thereafter to reinvest or commit to reinvest its Sale Proceeds, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria, in one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Collateral Obligation (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include



the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest);

and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction. However, if the rating by Moody's of the Class A-1 Notes or the Class A-2 Notes is one or more rating sub-categories below the Initial Rating of the Class A-1 Notes or the Class A-2 Notes or the rating by Moody's of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes is two or more rating sub-categories below the Initial Rating of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes or has been withdrawn, the Issuer shall not instruct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligations pursuant to "—Discretionary Sales." This restriction may be waived by written consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class. For the purposes of this clause (viii), any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not restrict the sale of any Collateral Obligations pursuant to "—Discretionary Sales" if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody's has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes, or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this clause (viii), the Portfolio Manager may not direct a sale pursuant to this clause (viii) during the period from and after notice of a removal or resignation of the Portfolio Manager has been delivered in accordance with the Management Agreement and until a successor portfolio manager has been appointed pursuant to the Management Agreement and has agreed in writing to assume all of the Portfolio Manager's duties and obligations pursuant to the Management Agreement and the Indenture as described herein under "The Management Agreement."

- (ix) *Workout Assets.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Workout Asset at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and regardless of price and the Trustee shall sell the Workout Assets in accordance with such direction.

#### **Certain Determinations Relating to Collateral Obligations**

The Indenture provides that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained therein, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have purchased any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer delivers to the Trustee a contract to purchase, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to receive such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have acquired, granted or delivered, as the case may be, such Collateral Obligations on such date.

The Indenture provides that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained therein, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer delivers to the Trustee a contract to sell, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to sell, and requiring the purchaser to purchase, such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold such Collateral Obligations on such date.

Under the circumstances described in the two preceding paragraphs, if the transaction contemplated by the contract, commitment letter, confirmation or due bill referred to therein does not settle on or before the 60<sup>th</sup> day following the scheduled settlement date (the "**Deadline**"), the deemed purchase or sale shall be deemed not to have occurred; *provided, however*, that the Portfolio Manager shall have the right to extend the Deadline for an additional period (not to exceed an additional 60 days)

by notice to the Trustee, which notice shall include the Portfolio Manager's certification to the effect that the Portfolio Manager believes that the settlement shall occur on or before the extended Deadline.

Scheduled distributions with respect to any Pledged Collateral Obligation shall be determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Indenture.

### **The Accounts**

The Indenture provides that the Trustee will establish separate segregated non-interest bearing trust accounts, which will be designated as the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Custodial Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Interest Reserve Account and the Securities Lending Account. In addition, Synthetic Security Counterparty Accounts may also be established. Any account may contain any number of subaccounts.

*Collection Account.* The Trustee shall deposit into the "**Collection Account**":

- (i) any funds transferred from (1) the Closing Date Expense Account pursuant to the Indenture or (2) the Interest Reserve Account pursuant to the Indenture;
- (ii) all Principal Proceeds (unless (1) simultaneously reinvested in Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture, (2) deposited into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or (3) posted by the Issuer as cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security or in Eligible Investments) received by the Trustee;
- (iii) all Interest Proceeds received by the Trustee (unless simultaneously reinvested in accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture or in Eligible Investments); and
- (iv) all other funds received by the Trustee and not excluded above.

The Issuer and the Portfolio Manager may, but will not be required to, jointly deposit from time to time any monies in the Collection Account it deems, in its sole discretion, to be advisable (and may designate any amounts so deposited as Principal Proceeds or Interest Proceeds in its discretion).

Any Principal Proceeds received during the Reinvestment Period, and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments received after the Reinvestment Period, which have not been reinvested in additional Collateral Obligations on the Business Day of receipt shall be deposited in the Collection Account and shall at the direction of the Portfolio Manager be applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the other requirements set forth in the Indenture or the purchase of Eligible Investments pending such investment or used to enter into additional Hedge Agreements or used in connection with a Special Redemption. Principal Proceeds (other than Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments) received after the Reinvestment Period shall be deposited into the Collection Account and applied to the purchase of Eligible Investments.

The Collection Account shall be maintained for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager and each Hedge Counterparty and amounts on deposit in the Collection Account will be available for application in the order of priority under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments" and for the acquisition of Collateral Obligations under the circumstances and pursuant to the requirements in the Indenture. Amounts received in the Collection Account during a Due Period and

amounts received in prior Due Periods and retained in the Collection Account under the circumstances stated above in "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments" will be invested in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions). All proceeds deposited in the Collection Account will be retained therein unless used to purchase Collateral Obligations during the Reinvestment Period (or, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations, after the Reinvestment Period) in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria, to honor commitments with respect thereto entered into during or after the Reinvestment Period, or used as otherwise permitted under the Indenture. See "—Eligibility Criteria."

The Trustee shall transfer to the Payment Account from the Collection Account for application pursuant to the Priority of Payments, no later than the Business Day preceding each Payment Date, the amount set forth to be so transferred in the Valuation Report for the Payment Date.

At any time during or after the Reinvestment Period, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to pay from amounts on deposit in the Collection Account on any Business Day during any Interest Period from Interest Proceeds only, any Administrative Expenses that require payment before the next Payment Date to the extent that the amount of the payments does not exceed the aggregate amount that may be paid on the next payment Date under, and at the level of priority specified by, "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds."

*Custodial Account.* The Trustee will from time to time deposit collateral into the "**Custodial Account**", over which the Trustee will have exclusive control and sole right of withdrawal, in accordance with the Indenture. All assets or securities at any time on deposit in or otherwise to the credit of the Custodial Account will be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager and each Hedge Counterparty.

*Revolving Reserve Account and Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account.* Upon the purchase of any Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee shall deposit Principal Proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account," in the case of a Revolving Loan, and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account," in the case of a Delayed Drawdown Loan, each equal to the unfunded commitment amount of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, respectively, and the Principal Proceeds so deposited shall be considered part of the Purchase Price of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan for purposes of the Indenture. At the direction of the Portfolio Manager at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period, the Trustee shall withdraw funds from the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to fund extensions of credit pursuant to Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans, respectively. In addition, to the extent that the Issuer receives proceeds of a repayment in respect of a Revolving Loan (except to the extent of any concurrent commitment reduction) at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period, the Trustee shall deposit the proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account.

Upon the sale of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan in whole or in part or the reduction in part or termination of the Issuer's commitment thereunder, an amount on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, as the case may be, specified by the Portfolio Manager as being equal to (i) the unfunded amount of the commitment (in the case of a sale in whole or a termination of the commitment), (ii) the proportionate amount of the amount on deposit (in the case of a sale in part) or (iii) the amount by which the commitment is reduced (in the case of a reduction thereof in part), shall be transferred by the Trustee to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds.

Amounts on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account will be invested in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Portfolio

Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions) not later than the Business Day after the date of their purchase. All interest and other income from amounts in the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account under the Indenture shall be considered Interest Proceeds in the Due Period in which they are so deposited.

*Synthetic Security Collateral Account.* On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Synthetic Security the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the non-interest bearing trust account established for Synthetic Security Collateral (the "**Synthetic Security Collateral Account**") with respect to the Synthetic Security. All Synthetic Security Collateral posted by any Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Synthetic Security shall be immediately deposited into the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Synthetic Security. On each day on which amounts are payable to the Issuer out of Synthetic Security Collateral, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to withdraw amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in an amount sufficient to make the payment (including any total or partial release of Synthetic Security Collateral). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be:

- (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty to the Issuer under a Synthetic Security if the Synthetic Security becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the Synthetic Security upon any "event of default" under and as defined in the terms of the Synthetic Security, including liquidating the related Synthetic Security Collateral Account; or
- (ii) to return the Synthetic Security Collateral to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty when and as required by the terms of the Synthetic Security, in each case as directed by the Portfolio Manager.

Amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account will be invested in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities not later than one Business Day after their purchase, as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions), and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.* The Trustee will deposit all collateral received from a Hedge Counterparty under any Hedge Agreement into the "**Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.**" The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account will be (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer under a Hedge Agreement if the Hedge Agreement becomes subject to early termination or (ii) to return collateral to the relevant Hedge Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Hedge Agreement, in each case as directed by the Portfolio Manager. Amounts on deposit in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account will be invested in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Closing Date Expense Account.* Amounts deposited in the "**Closing Date Expense Account**" on the Closing Date will be withdrawn to pay certain administrative expenses of the Co-Issuers. On the Payment Date in February, 2006, the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds and close the Closing Date Expense Account. Amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account shall be invested in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the second Payment Date as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Expense Reimbursement Account.* On any Payment Date and on any date between Payment Dates, the Trustee will apply amounts, if any, in the "**Expense Reimbursement Account**" to the payment of expenses and fees that must be paid between Payment Dates or that are due on that Payment Date under clause (1) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" and the Trustee shall on any Payment Date transfer to the Expense Reimbursement Account an amount equal to the excess, if any of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts due under clause (1) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" to the Expense Reimbursement Account in accordance with clause (2) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds." Amounts on deposit in the Expense Reimbursement Account shall be invested in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions), no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date.

*Securities Lending Account.* The Trustee will deposit all Securities Lending Collateral posted by any Securities Lending Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Securities Lending Agreement in a non-interest bearing trust account (the "**Securities Lending Account**"). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Securities Lending Account will be (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty to the Issuer under a Securities Lending Agreement if the Securities Lending Agreement becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the Securities Lending Agreement upon any "event of default" under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement, including liquidating the related Securities Lending Collateral or (ii) to return collateral to the Securities Lending Counterparty when and as required by a Securities Lending Agreement. Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be invested in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions) no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the loaned security or asset that relates to the Securities Lending Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer.

*Payment Account.* The Trustee will deposit collateral into the "**Payment Account**", over which the Trustee will have exclusive control and sole right of withdrawal, in accordance with the Indenture. All assets or securities at any time on deposit in or otherwise to the credit of the Payment Account will be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Payment Account shall be to pay amounts due and payable on the Notes and the Combination Securities and to pay Administrative Expenses and other amounts specified in the Indenture, each in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

*Interest Reserve Account.* Amounts deposited in the "**Interest Reserve Account**", on the Closing Date will be withdrawn to pay amounts necessary such that the amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (11) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" will be paid in full on each Payment Date occurring on or before the Payment Date in February, 2006. Subject to the next following sentence, on the Payment Date in February, 2006, the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds and close the Interest Reserve Account. If on any date during the period from and including to the Closing Date up to and including the first Determination Date the Portfolio Manager provides a calculation in accordance with the Indenture that, as of such date, the sum of (x) amounts on deposit in the Collection Account as Interest Proceeds *plus* (y) interest accrued on the Collateral prior to the first Determination Date, will be sufficient to pay the amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (11) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" on the Payment Date in February, 2006, the Portfolio Manager may make a one-time written direction to the Trustee to transfer not more than 75% of the funds on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account as of such date to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds. Amounts on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account shall be invested in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions), no later than the Business Day before the second Payment Date.

*Class 2 Component Account.* The Trustee will deposit in the "**Class 2 Component Account**" the Class 2 Bond, which Class 2 Bond shall be delivered to the Trustee by the Issuer on the Closing Date. All assets or securities at any time on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Class 2 Component Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities. The only permitted withdrawals from the Class 2 Component Account shall be in accordance with the Indenture. None of the Co-Issuers, the Noteholders, the Holders of Preference Shares (other than the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities, to the extent of their Preference Share Components) or any other Secured Party shall have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Class 2 Component Account.

*Synthetic Security Counterparty Account.* To the extent that any Synthetic Security requires the Issuer to secure its obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee and the Trustee shall establish a segregated non-interest bearing trust account (the "**Synthetic Security Counterparty Account**") for the Synthetic Security which shall be held in trust for the benefit of the related Synthetic Security Counterparty and over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and the Indenture. In the alternative, a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account may be established with a trustee designated by the Synthetic Security Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that trustee would qualify to be a successor trustee under the Indenture and the account satisfies the other requirements of a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account under the Indenture.

As directed in writing by the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee shall deposit (or deliver for deposit) into each Synthetic Security Counterparty Account all amounts or securities that are required to secure the obligations of the Issuer in accordance with the related Synthetic Security, including the entire notional amount of any Synthetic Security in the form of a credit default swap or other similar transaction. The Portfolio Manager shall direct any such deposit only during the Reinvestment Period and only to the extent that monies are available for the purchase of Collateral Obligations pursuant to the Indenture. Any income received on amounts in the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall, after application in accordance with the relevant Synthetic Security, be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Interest Proceeds.

As directed by the Portfolio Manager in writing and in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and the Indenture, amounts on deposit in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be invested in Synthetic Security Collateral.

In connection with the occurrence of a credit event or an event of default or a termination event (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security) under the related Synthetic Security, amounts in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be withdrawn by the Trustee (or the Trustee shall request their withdrawal) and applied toward the payment of any amounts payable by the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the Synthetic Security, as directed by the Portfolio Manager in writing. Any excess amounts held in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, or held directly by a Synthetic Security Counterparty, after payment of all amounts owing from the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the related Synthetic Security shall be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Principal Proceeds.

Amounts on deposit in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the Synthetic Security that relates to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer (with the notional amount as the Principal Balance unless a default exists under the applicable Synthetic Security).

## Hedge Agreements

At any time and from time to time after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, may enter into the Hedge Agreements and will assign its rights (but none of its obligations) under the Hedge Agreements to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture and the collateral assignment of Hedge Agreements. The Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, will obtain the approval of each new Hedge Agreement from each Hedge Counterparty to a then-existing Hedge Agreement. The Trustee will, on behalf of the Issuer and in accordance with the Valuation Report, pay amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements on any Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Each Hedge Counterparty will be required to have (i) a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "Aa3" (which rating of "Aa3" is not on credit watch for a possible downgrade) or higher if the Hedge Counterparty has only a long-term rating; or a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "A1" (which rating of "A1" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) or higher and a debt rating by Moody's for short-term debt of "P-1" (which rating of "P-1" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) if the Hedge Counterparty has both long-term and short-term ratings and (ii) a short-term debt rating by S&P of not less than "A-1" or a long-term debt rating of not less than "A+" (the "**Required Rating**").

If at any time a Hedge Counterparty has:

- (A) no short-term Moody's rating and a long-term Moody's rating and that rating is below "Aa3" or is "Aa3" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's; or
- (B) both a short-term and long-term Moody's rating; and either:
  - (i) the long-term Moody's rating is below "A1" or that rating is "A1" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's, or
  - (ii) the short-term Moody's rating is below "P-1" or that rating is "P-1" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's;

then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within 30 days, either:

- (i) post collateral with the Trustee to secure the Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement, in an amount and of the type sufficient to cause the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's to be satisfied; or
- (ii) obtain a guarantor whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the above criteria; or
- (iii) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the above criteria; or
- (iv) take other actions to satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's.

If at any time the Hedge Counterparty has:

- (A) no short-term Moody's rating and a long-term Moody's rating that is "A2" or below or has been suspended or withdrawn;
- (B) both a short-term and long-term Moody's rating; and either:
  - (i) the long-term Moody's rating is "A3" or below or is suspended or withdrawn; or
  - (ii) the short-term Moody's rating is "P-2" or below; or
- (C) a short-term debt rating by S&P below "A-1" or, if the Hedge Counterparty has no short-term rating by S&P, a long-term rating by S&P below "A+" or that has been suspended or withdrawn;

then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within 30 days, either:

- (i) post collateral as required by the Hedge Agreement to secure the Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement in an amount and of the type sufficient to cause the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's and S&P to be satisfied; or
- (ii) (x) obtain a guarantor that has a Required Rating and that will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P with respect to its appointment; (y) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has a Required Rating and the appointment of which will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P; or (z) take such other actions to satisfy the Ratings Condition;

*provided* that, if at any time the Hedge Counterparty has a short-term debt rating by S&P below "A-3" or, if the Hedge Counterparty has no short-term rating by S&P, a long-term rating by S&P below "BBB-" or such Hedge Counterparty's rating has been suspended or withdrawn, then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to within 7 days replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has a Required Rating and the appointment of which will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P.

Any payments required to be made under the Hedge Agreements shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments shall be subordinate to interest and principal payments on the Notes and any other payments required to be made by the Issuer under the Hedge Agreements, but senior to distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Indenture.

Unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is otherwise satisfied, following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) the Issuer, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, shall promptly (but no later than 60 days after the early termination), at the expense of the Issuer and to the extent possible through Hedge Termination Receipts, enter into a replacement hedge, unless, in the exercise of the Portfolio Manager's commercially reasonable judgment, to do so would not be in the best interest of the Issuer and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to not entering into a replacement hedge. In addition, a replacement hedge may not be entered into unless the Issuer provides the Rating Agencies with at least seven Business Days' prior written notice of its intention to enter into a replacement hedge, together with its form and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the



replacement hedge. The Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than a termination resulting from the bankruptcy, insolvency, or similar event with respect to the Hedge Counterparty) to become effective simultaneously with its entering into a replacement hedge. To the extent that (i) the Portfolio Manager determines not to replace the Hedge Agreement and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the determination; or (ii) termination is occurring on a Redemption Date, the Hedge Termination Receipts shall become part of Principal Proceeds and be distributed in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the next following Payment Date (or on the Redemption Date, if the Notes are redeemed on the Redemption Date).

The notional amounts of the Hedge Agreements outstanding at any time may be reduced or increased from time to time, by the Issuer, and the Hedge Agreements may be amended, modified, or terminated in accordance with the Hedge Agreements if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the reduction, increase, amendment, modification, or termination, as the case may be.

Each Hedge Agreement may be terminated pursuant to its terms upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes or an acceleration of maturity of the Notes after an Event of Default. The Hedge Agreement will not be permitted to be terminated as the result of a Default or Event of Default unless any acceleration of maturity of the Notes resulting from the Event of Default is no longer permitted to be rescinded and liquidation of the Collateral has begun pursuant to the Indenture.

Except for Hedge Agreements entered into on or before the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied.

### **Synthetic Securities**

The Issuer will not enter into a Synthetic Security Agreement with a Synthetic Security Counterparty unless the terms of such Synthetic Security Agreement provide that, if at any time the Synthetic Security Counterparty does not meet the Synthetic Security Counterparty Ratings Requirement, such Synthetic Security Counterparty shall (at the sole cost of the Synthetic Security Counterparty) take one of the following actions within 30 days following the date on which the Synthetic Security Counterparty fails to meet such Synthetic Security Counterparty Ratings Requirement:

(i) post collateral with the Trustee to secure the Synthetic Security Counterparty's obligations under the Synthetic Security Agreement, in an amount and of the type sufficient to cause the Rating Condition with respect to S&P to be satisfied; provided that, if the Synthetic Security Counterparty's senior unsecured credit rating by S&P for long-term debt of such Synthetic Security Counterparty are rated below "BBB+" and the senior unsecured, credit rating by S&P for short-term senior debt of such Synthetic Security Counterparty are rated below "A 2" (if such Synthetic Counterparty has a short term rating from Standard & Poor's), the Synthetic Security Counterparty shall obtain or provide a legal opinion addressed to the Issuer and the Trustee acceptable to S&P to the effect that the collateral will be available to the Trustee and the Noteholders in the event of the insolvency of such Synthetic Security Counterparty;

(ii) obtain a guarantor whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the Synthetic Security Counterparty Ratings Requirement;

(iii) cause an entity who satisfies the Security Counterparty Ratings Requirement to issue in favor of the Issuer a credit support of such Synthetic Security Counterparty's obligations under the related Synthetic Security acceptable in form and substance to the Issuer and that satisfies the Rating Condition;

(iv) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Synthetic Security Agreement with a substitute Synthetic Security Counterparty whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the Synthetic Security Counterparty Ratings Requirement; provided that, upon successful consummation of any such substitution and assignment, the related Synthetic Security Counterparty's obligations to post collateral contemplated by clause (i) above shall terminate and Issuer shall release its security interest in, and return to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty, any then posted collateral; or

(v) take other actions to satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P.

If the Synthetic Security Counterparty has taken action pursuant to clause (ii) above, the Indenture requires that, in the event that the Synthetic Security Counterparty fails to meet its payment obligations under the Synthetic Agreement, payment will be demanded from the guarantor on the day such payment from the Synthetic Security Counterparty is due for the purpose of requiring such guarantor to make payment on such same day.

### **Securities Lending**

The Indenture permits the Issuer to engage in a limited number of securities lending transactions as described below.

The Portfolio Manager may instruct the Trustee to cause Collateral Obligations that are not Defaulted Collateral Obligations to be lent for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) having long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or guarantors with ratings of at least "A1" (and not "A1" but on credit watch with negative implications) and "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A" from S&P (each, a **"Securities Lending Counterparty"**) pursuant to one or more agreements (each, a **"Securities Lending Agreement"**); *provided* that Collateral Obligations the Market Value of which cannot be determined under clause (i), (ii) or (iii) of that definition may not be lent pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement. Upon receipt of an Issuer Order, the Trustee shall release any lent Collateral Obligations to a Securities Lending Counterparty as directed by the Portfolio Manager. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Placement Agent or Affiliates of the Portfolio Manager. The duration of any Securities Lending Agreement shall not exceed the Stated Maturity of the Notes and Combination Securities. Collateral Obligations representing no more than 15% (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of the Maximum Investment Amount may be loaned pursuant to Securities Lending Agreements at any time.

Each Securities Lending Agreement shall be on market terms as determined by the Portfolio Manager (except to the extent specified in the Indenture) and shall:

- (i) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty return to the Issuer debt obligations that are identical (in terms of issue and class) to the lent Collateral Obligations;
- (ii) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty pay to the Issuer amounts equivalent to all interest and other payments that the owner of the lent Collateral Obligation is entitled to for the period during which the Collateral Obligation is lent and require that any such payments not be subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the Securities Lending Counterparty is required under the Securities Lending Agreement to

make "gross-up" payments to the Issuer that cover the full amount of the withholding tax on an after-tax basis;

- (iii) require that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency shall be satisfied with respect to the execution of the Securities Lending Agreement;
- (iv) satisfy any other requirements of Section 1058 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated under it;
- (v) be governed by the laws of New York;
- (vi) permit the Issuer to assign its rights under the Securities Lending Agreement to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture;
- (vii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Collateral Obligation becomes a Credit Risk Obligation or is subject to redemption in accordance with its terms;
- (viii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty upon any redemption of the Notes and the Combination Securities in whole;
- (ix) require the Securities Lending Counterparty to post with the Trustee collateral consisting of Cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the Securities Lending Agreement to secure its obligation to return the Collateral Obligations or in the alternative post that collateral with a custodian for the benefit of the Issuer designated by the Securities Lending Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that custodian would qualify to be a successor trustee under the Indenture;
- (x) provide that the Securities Lending Collateral shall be maintained at all times in an amount equal to at least 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value (determined daily and monitored by the Portfolio Manager) of the lent Collateral Obligations and if securities are delivered to the Trustee as security for the obligations of the Securities Lending Counterparty under the related Securities Lending Agreement, the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer will negotiate with the Securities Lending Counterparty a rate for the loan fee to be paid to the Issuer for lending the lent Collateral Obligations;
- (xi) the lent Collateral Obligations shall be marked-to-market on a daily basis by the Portfolio Manager on the basis of their Market Value;
- (xii) the Collateral will include the Issuer's rights under the related Securities Lending Agreement rather than the loaned Collateral Obligation;
- (xiii) provide for early termination within 10 days at the option of the Issuer and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Securities Lending Counterparty is no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty and the noncompliance is not cured as provided in the Indenture; and
- (xiv) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Securities Lending Counterparty) equivalent (mutatis mutandis) to those in the Indenture.

If either Moody's or S&P downgrades a Securities Lending Counterparty such that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party are no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty, then the Issuer, within 10 days of the downgrade, shall (i) terminate its Securities Lending Agreements with the Securities Lending Counterparty unless a guarantor for the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements has been obtained; or (ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations lent to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty so that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party, together with all other Securities Lending Agreements, are in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of Securities Lending Counterparties; or (iii) take any other steps Moody's or S&P may require to cause the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party to be treated by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, as if the obligations were owed by a counterparty having a rating at least equivalent to the rating that was assigned by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty before its being downgraded.

The Portfolio Manager shall instruct the Trustee in writing with respect to the administration of any Securities Lending Agreement (including with respect to any default and the exercise of rights under it). The Trustee shall not have any responsibility for evaluating the sufficiency, validity, or acceptability of any Securities Lending Agreement or for the qualifications or eligibility of any Securities Lending Counterparty. Nothing in the Indenture shall be construed to cause the Trustee to have any fiduciary duties to any Securities Lending Counterparty.

So long as any Collateral Obligation is on loan pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement, (a) the Trustee shall have no liability for any failure or inability on its part to receive any information or take any action with respect to the Collateral Obligation because of its being on loan (including any failure to take action with respect to a notice of redemption, consent solicitation, exchange or tender offer, or similar corporate action) and (b) the loaned Collateral Obligations shall not be disqualified for return to the Trustee as a Collateral Obligation by any change in circumstance or status during the time while on loan (including any change that would cause the Collateral Obligation to be ineligible for purchase by the Issuer under the Indenture if applied to a proposed purchase of it in the open market at the time of its return from loan).

## **MATURITY AND PREPAYMENT CONSIDERATIONS**

The Stated Maturity of each Class of Notes will be the Payment Date in November, 2017 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date; *however*, the principal of each Class of the Notes is expected to be paid in full prior to its Stated Maturity (or Extended Stated Maturity Date, as applicable). Average life refers to the average amount of time that will elapse from the date of delivery of a security until each dollar of the principal of such security will be paid to the investor. The average lives of the Notes will be determined by the amount and frequency of principal payments, which are dependent upon, among other things, the amount of sinking fund payments and any other payments received at or in advance of the scheduled maturity of Collateral Obligations (whether through sale, maturity, redemption, default or other liquidation or disposition).

The actual performance of the Securities will also be affected by the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral Obligations and the characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, including the interest rate or other rate of distribution, the actual default rate and actual losses sustained, the existence and frequency of exercise of any prepayment, optional redemption, or sinking fund features and any related premium, the prevailing level of interest rates, any sales of Collateral Obligations, and any unique risks of the Collateral Obligations. Any disposition of a Collateral Obligation may change the composition and characteristics of the portfolio of Collateral Obligations and their rate of payment, and, accordingly, may affect the actual performance of each respective Class of Securities. The ability of the Issuer to reinvest any Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds in the manner described under "Security for

the Notes and the Combination Securities" will also affect the performance of the Securities. Redemptions will also affect the performance of the Securities.

## THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER

*The information appearing in this section has been prepared by the Portfolio Manager and has not been independently verified by the Co-Issuers or the Placement Agent. Accordingly, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Co-Issuers and the Placement Agent do not assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or applicability of such information.*

### General

Based in Dallas, Texas, Highland Capital is a registered investment adviser specializing in below investment grade credit and special situation investing. As of June 30, 2005, Highland Capital managed over \$16 billion in leveraged loans, high yield bonds, structured products and other assets for banks, insurance companies, pension plans, foundations, and high net worth individuals.

As of June 30, 2005, Highland Capital employed 56 investment professionals with over 900 credits owned and 1,000 credits followed. Portfolios as of June 30, 2005 include 17 structured investment vehicles (including 12 CLOs), 5 separate accounts, 8 retail funds and 6 hedge funds.

### *Investment Philosophy and Process*

Highland Capital's investment philosophy is based on a belief that fundamental research and disciplined asset acquisition/disposition produces superior long-term results. Highland Capital's investment approach seeks to generate superior performance with muted volatility. Highland Capital anticipates long-term secular trends and identifies those sectors and issues that it believes have the highest relative value characteristics. Highland Capital's process and philosophy have been consistent over time.

Highland Capital has a large range and depth of experience. It has expertise in syndicated loans, high yield bonds, and distressed investments. Highland Capital believes it is in a position to arbitrage disparities in the historical spread relationship between various below investment grade asset classes. Highland Capital believes that, historically, the most inefficient asset classes have demonstrated the best risk/return characteristics.

Highland Capital has invested over \$250 million of firm capital in its funds, and expects that one of its Affiliates or funds will invest (or, through a derivative or similar arrangement, retain economic exposure to) (i) \$19,400,000 aggregate Face Amount in the Preference Shares of the Issuer, (ii) \$10,000,000 Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes and (iii) \$26,500,000 Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes. Additionally, Highland Capital believes that it strives to minimize operating expenses and hires the brightest and most talented professionals, insisting on a high degree of dedication and integrity.

Highland Capital believes that its disciplined investment process minimizes a portfolio's risk and that its strategy seeks to maximize current yield over capital appreciation while limiting downside risk. Portfolio managers actively follow each credit and several times each year the entire investment staff reviews all positions during multi-day monitoring meetings. Highland Capital diversifies its portfolios with set limits on exposure to any one given industry or issuer. Highland Capital believes that this philosophy and process has resulted in positive returns in 48 of the last 50 quarters on its underlying loan portfolio and consistent outperformance relative to its indices.

Highland Capital focuses on a "team" approach that it has used since the investment committee started in 1990. It is Highland Capital management's belief that this style creates the optimum environment for the exchange of information and the development of all investment professionals. All aspects of the investment process are coordinated through the committee's direct interaction. The investment committee meets every morning to discuss the market, investment strategy, and credits. In addition, the firm maintains an "informal" open door policy with regards to investment or personal issues.

The committee is composed of senior management and portfolio managers/analysts. Collectively, the committee utilizes an investment process which is driven by fundamental credit research. Each portfolio manager/analyst makes specific credit recommendations based upon industry coverage. The investment proposal is then brought to the investment committee for consideration. Based upon the consensus decision, the portfolio manager with the recommendation will direct Highland traders to execute the trade. Highland Capital has also provided its investment committee with a strong commitment to technology. The firm developed Wall Street Office® which is a proprietary software system that allows Highland Capital to model, portfolio manage, and trade syndicated loans. This software has been licensed to more than 70 financial institutions that invest in syndicated loans.

### **Professionals of the Portfolio Manager**

Set forth below is information regarding certain persons who are currently employed by the Portfolio Manager. Such persons may not necessarily continue to be so employed during the entire term of the Management Agreement.

#### **Senior Management**

##### **James Dondero, CFA, CPA, CMA – Managing Partner - President**

Mr. Dondero is a Founder and President of Highland Capital. Formerly, Mr. Dondero served as Chief Investment Officer of Protective Life's GIC subsidiary and helped grow the business from concept to over \$2 billion between 1989 to 1993. His portfolio management experience includes mortgage-backed securities, investment grade corporates, leveraged bank loans, emerging markets, derivatives, preferred stocks and common stocks. From 1985 to 1989, he managed approximately \$1 billion in fixed income funds for American Express. Prior to American Express, he completed the financial training at Morgan Guaranty Trust Company. Mr. Dondero is a Beta Gamma Sigma graduate of the University of Virginia, 1984 with degrees in Accounting and Finance. Mr. Dondero is a Certified Public Accountant, Chartered Financial Analyst and a Certified Management Accountant.

##### **Mark Okada, CFA – Managing Partner - Chief Investment Officer**

Mr. Okada is a Founder and Chief Investment Officer of Highland Capital. He is responsible for overseeing Highland Capital's investment activities for its various funds and has over 19 years of experience in the leveraged finance market. Formerly, Mr. Okada served as Manager of Fixed Income for Protective Life's GIC subsidiary from 1990 to 1993. He was primarily responsible for the bank loan portfolio and other risk assets. Protective was one of the first non-bank entrants into the syndicated loan market. From 1986 to 1990, he served as Vice President for Hibernia National Bank, managing over \$1 billion of high yield bank loans. Mr. Okada is an honors graduate of the University of California Los Angeles with degrees in Economics and Psychology. He completed his credit training at Mitsui and is a Chartered Financial Analyst. Mr. Okada is also Chairman of the Board of Directors of Common Grace Ministries Inc.

##### **Todd Travers, CFA – Head of Structured Products, Senior Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Travers is responsible for Highland Capital's CDO business and is the primary portfolio manager for Highland Capital's par debt funds. He is a member of the Credit Committee and heads a team that is responsible for structuring new transactions and implementing additional opportunities in Highland Capital's core businesses. Formerly, Mr. Travers served as Portfolio Manager/Portfolio Analyst from 1994 to 1998 for Highland Capital. In 1999, he was promoted to Senior Portfolio Manager and his duties were expanded beyond sector portfolio management to include the origination, structuring and issuance of new structured vehicles, including all structured vehicles since Highland Loan Funding V Ltd. and Restoration Funding Ltd. His prior responsibilities included managing a portion of Highland

Capital's leveraged loan and high yield debt portfolios with an emphasis on technology and aviation transactions. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Travers was a Finance Manager at American Airlines. Mr. Travers is a graduate of Iowa State University with a BS in Industrial Engineering. He received his MBA with an emphasis in Finance from Southern Methodist University. Mr. Travers is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

**Jack Yang – Head of Business Development**

Mr. Yang is responsible for new product development, fundraising, and investor relations, and heads the firm's New York Office. Prior to joining Highland Capital, he was Managing Director and Global Head of Leveraged Finance Products at Merrill Lynch. He joined Merrill Lynch in 1994 to establish the firm's syndicated loan activities and co-headed the firm's Global Leveraged Finance Division from 1999 to 2001. In addition to heading the syndicated loan activities of the firm, while at Merrill Lynch he had significant responsibility for establishing and managing the \$1.5 billion ML Bridge Loan Fund, the \$1.1 billion ML Mezzanine Fund, and the European Leveraged Finance Group. He was a senior member of the firm's Debt Markets Commitment Committee and Mezzanine Investment Committee. Prior to joining Merrill, he spent 11 years at Chemical Securities, Inc. and was a founding member of the Global Syndicated Finance Division. Mr. Yang is a member of the Board of Directors of The Loan Syndications and Trading Association, and is a member of the Public Relations Sub-Committee. He earned a BA from Cornell University and an MBA from Columbia University. He is a Registered Representative with Series 7, 63, and 24 licenses.

**Traders**

**Brad Borud – Senior Trader and Co-Director Portfolio Management**

Mr. Borud is a Senior Trader of leveraged loans and high yield bonds. Prior to his current duties, Mr. Borud served as a Portfolio Analyst for Highland Capital from 1996 to 1998. From 1998 to 2003, Mr. Borud was a Portfolio Manager covering a wide range of industries, including Wireline Telecommunications, Wireless Telecommunications, Telecommunication Equipment Manufacturers, Multi-channel Video, and Media. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Borud worked as a Global Finance Analyst in the Corporate Finance Group at NationsBank from 1995 to 1996 where he was involved in the originating, structuring, modeling, and credit analysis of leveraged transactions for large corporate accounts in the Southwest portion of the United States. During 1994, Mr. Borud also served at Conseco Capital Management as an Analyst Intern in the Fixed Income Research Department following the Transportation and Energy sectors. He has a BS in Business Finance from Indiana University.

**Paul Kauffman, CFA, CPA – Senior Trader and Co-Director of Portfolio Management**

Mr. Kauffman is a Senior Trader for loan and high yield credit products. He joined Highland Capital in 1998 as a Portfolio Analyst and was a Portfolio Manager prior to moving into his current role. At Highland Capital, Paul has followed a variety of industries, including Paper & Packaging, General Industrials, Metals, and the Automotive sector. Prior to Highland Capital, Mr. Kauffman spent four years in the public accounting industry, including two and a half years at KPMG Peat Marwick. At KPMG, Mr. Kauffman gained audit experience in a wide range of industries, with particular focus on the Energy and Cable industries. He was the Supervising Senior Accountant on one of the Dallas offices' largest clients. He received a BBA in Accounting from Baylor University and an MBA from Duke University. Mr. Kauffman is a Chartered Financial Analyst.



**Senior Portfolio Managers****Patrick H. Daugherty** – *Senior Distressed Portfolio Manager*

Mr. Daugherty is a Senior Portfolio Manager and General Counsel at Highland Capital. He is co-head of the Distressed Group where he is responsible for managing the sourcing, investing, and monitoring process. In addition, he serves as head manager of the Private Equity Group and is responsible for all portfolio companies. Prior to joining Highland Capital in early 1998, Mr. Daugherty served as Vice President in the Corporate Finance Group at NationsBanc Capital Markets, Inc. (now Bank of America Capital Markets, Inc.) where he originated and structured leveraged transactions for a \$2.5 billion portfolio of mid-cap companies located in the Southwest. Prior to joining Bank of America, Mr. Daugherty was an Associate with the law firm of Baker, Brown, Sharman and Parker in Houston, Texas where he represented banks and financial institutions in the liquidation of various RTC portfolios. Mr. Daugherty has over 15 years of experience in distressed, high yield and corporate restructuring. He has been involved in over 100 bankruptcy situations and held steering committee positions in over 35 cases. Mr. Daugherty currently serves on the Board of Directors of Norse Merchant Group and its affiliates, Ferrimorac Holdings Limited, Nexpak Corporation and its affiliates (as Chairman), Moll Industries and its affiliates (as Chairman), and is a former board member of Mariner Health Care, Inc. He received a BBA in Finance from The University of Texas at Austin and a Juris Doctorate from The University of Houston School of Law. Mr. Daugherty's professional certifications include membership in the Texas Bar Association and admittance to the American Bar Association in 1992.

**John Morgan, CFA** – *Senior Portfolio Manager*

Mr. Morgan is a Senior Portfolio Manager covering the Retail, Food & Drug, and Restaurant & Lodging sectors. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Morgan served as Portfolio Analyst for Falcon Fund Management, LTD from August 1995-February 2000. There he created comparables to assess the attractiveness of companies within industries and across the portfolio. He assisted the portfolio manager in the security selection process and management of the portfolio. Prior to Falcon, he was an Analyst for a Convertible Arbitrage Fund at Q Investments. His primary responsibility included analyzing financial statements and related corporate disclosures and performing analysis on potential investment opportunities. He received both a BS in Biological Sciences and an MBA from Southern Methodist University.

**Kurtis S. Plumer, CFA** – *Senior Distressed Portfolio Manager*

Mr. Plumer is co-head of the Distressed Group at Highland Capital and is responsible for managing the sourcing and monitoring process. He has over 14 years of experience in distressed, high yield bond and leveraged loan products. Prior to joining Highland Capital in 1999, Mr. Plumer was a distressed high yield bond trader at Lehman Brothers in New York, where he managed a \$250 million portfolio invested in global distressed securities. While at Lehman, he also traded emerging market sovereign bonds. Prior to joining Lehman Brothers, Mr. Plumer was a corporate finance banker at NationsBanc Capital Markets, Inc. (now Bank of America Capital Markets, Inc.) where he focused on M&A and financing transactions for the bank's clients. Mr. Plumer earned a BBA in Economics and Finance from Baylor University and an MBA in Strategy and Finance from the Kellogg School at Northwestern University. Mr. Plumer is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

**Dansby White** – *Managing Director*

Mr. White is responsible for growing Highland Capital's structured finance and structured vehicles business. Prior to joining Highland Capital he was Managing Director and Head of Structured Finance in the Americas from June 2000 to September 2002 at Merrill Lynch. In this capacity, Mr. White was responsible for managing the Asset Backed Commercial Paper, Asset Backed Securities,

Collateralized Debt Obligation and CMBS businesses. From March 1999 until June 2000 Mr. White was the Head of Merrill's Global CDO Group. Prior to joining Merrill Lynch Mr. White was a Principal in the Structured Finance Group at BT Alex Brown focusing on the CDO business. In the early 1980s, Mr. White worked in various capacities at GATX Leasing Corporation. Prior to joining BT Alex Brown, Mr. White spent eight years practicing general corporate law at Cahill Gordon and Reindel LLP and White & Case LLP. Mr. White holds a BA in Economics from Northwestern University, an MBA from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University and a JD from Rutgers University School of Law in Newark where Mr. White was selected for the Law Review. After graduating from Law School, Mr. White served as Law Clerk to the Hon. Robert N. Wilentz, Chief Justice of the New Jersey Supreme Court for one year.

**David Walls, CFA – Senior Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Walls is a Senior Portfolio Manager with oversight of the Cable, Wireless/Wireline Telecom, Satellite, Aerospace/Defense and Equipment Rental sectors. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Walls worked for Lend Lease Real Estate Investments as an Associate in their Asset Management unit underwriting and structuring acquisitions of bulk portfolios of distressed Korean real estate and corporate debt. Before his international responsibilities at Lend Lease, Mr. Walls performed loan workouts on a domestic portfolio of sub- and non-performing real estate secured assets. Prior to Lend Lease, Mr. Walls worked at U.S. Trust Company of California as an Assistant Vice President, Junior Portfolio Manager in their Fixed Income Portfolio Management group and for Capital Research & Management Company as a fixed income trader. He holds a BA in Economics from Northwestern University and an MBA in Finance and Marketing from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University. Mr. Walls is a member of AIMR and DAIA. Mr. Walls is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

**Joe Dougherty, CFA, CPA – Senior Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Dougherty is a Senior Portfolio Manager. Additionally, Mr. Dougherty heads Highland Capital's retail funds business unit ("Highland Funds") and serves as Senior Vice President and Director of the Firm's two NYSE-listed bond funds, which invest in both investment grade and high yield debt. Additionally, Mr. Dougherty serves as Senior Vice President and Director of the Firm's two 1940 Act Registered floating rate funds, which primarily invest in senior secured floating rate loans. In this capacity, Mr. Dougherty oversees investment decisions for the retail funds, alongside several other Portfolio Managers, and manages the team dedicated to their day-to-day administration. Prior to his current duties, Mr. Dougherty served as Portfolio Analyst for Highland from 1998 to 1999. As a Portfolio Analyst, Mr. Dougherty also helped follow companies within the Chemical, Retail, Supermarket and Restaurant sectors. Prior to joining Highland, Mr. Dougherty served as an Investment Analyst with Sandera Capital Management from 1997 to 1998. Formerly, he was a Business Development Manager at Akzo Nobel from 1994 to 1996 and a Senior Accountant at Deloitte & Touche, LLP from 1992 to 1994. He received a BS in Accounting from Villanova University and an MBA from Southern Methodist University. Mr. Dougherty is a Chartered Financial Analyst and a Certified Public Accountant.

See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Portfolio Manager—The Issuer Will Depend on the Managerial Expertise Available to the Portfolio Manager and Its Key Personnel."

**THE MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Management Agreement. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the Management Agreement.

Pursuant to the terms of the Management Agreement, and in accordance with the requirements set forth in the Indenture, the Portfolio Manager will select the portfolio of Collateral Obligations and will

instruct the Trustee with respect to any acquisition, disposition or sale of a Collateral Obligation and an Eligible Investment. Neither the Placement Agent nor any Affiliate thereof will select any of the Collateral Obligations.

Pursuant to the terms of the Management Agreement, the Portfolio Manager will monitor the Collateral Obligations and provide the Issuer with certain information received from the Collateral Administrator with respect to the composition and characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, any disposition or tender of a Collateral Obligation, the reinvestment of the proceeds of any such disposition in Eligible Investments and with respect to the retention of the proceeds of any such disposition or the application thereof toward the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations. The Portfolio Manager will, and will be authorized to, negotiate, on behalf of the Issuer, with respect to all actions to be taken by the Issuer under any Hedge Agreements.

As compensation for the performance of its obligations as Portfolio Manager, the Portfolio Manager will be entitled to receive:

- (i) a fee (the "**Senior Management Fee**") that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Portfolio Manager in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.30% per annum of the Maximum Investment Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments (with the Senior Management Fee being calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed *divided by* 360);
- (ii) an amount (the "**Subordinated Management Fee**") payable on each Payment Date equal to the sum of (a) a fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Portfolio Manager in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.25% per annum of the Maximum Investment Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments, (b) on any Payment Date that any part of the Senior Management Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period *plus* 3.00% per annum and (c) on any Payment Date that any part of the Subordinated Management Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period *plus* 3.00% per annum (with the portion of the Subordinated Management Fee or Senior Management Fee, as applicable, in clauses (a) through (c) above, as applicable, being calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed *divided by* 360); and
- (iii) a fee (the "**Incentive Management Fee**" and together with the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee, the "**Management Fee**"), if any, payable on each Payment Date to the Portfolio Manager in an amount equal to: (i) 20% of the remaining Interest Proceeds, if any, available after making the distributions on such Payment Date pursuant to clause (17) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" and (ii) 20% of the remaining Principal Proceeds, if any, available for payment in respect of the Incentive Management Fee pursuant to clause (5)(A) and, if applicable, clause (14), in each case pursuant to "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds."

The Portfolio Manager may, in its sole discretion: (i) waive all or any portion of the Management Fee, any funds representing the waived Management Fees to be retained in the Collection Account for distribution as either Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds (as determined by the Portfolio Manager) pursuant to the Priority of Payments; or (ii) defer all or any portion of the Management Fee, any funds representing the deferred Management Fees to be retained in the Collection Account, when they will, subject to clause (3) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds",

become payable in the same manner and priority as their original characterization would have required unless deferred again.

The Portfolio Manager, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, and its Affiliates and their directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, shall not be liable to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Noteholders, the Combination Securityholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Preference Shares or any other person for any losses, claims, damages, judgments, assessments, costs or other liabilities (collectively "**Liabilities**") incurred by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Noteholders, the Combination Securityholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Preference Shares or any other person that arise out of or in connection with the performance by the Portfolio Manager of its duties under the Management Agreement and the Indenture, except by reason of (i) acts or omissions constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, gross negligence or breach of fiduciary duty in the performance, or reckless disregard, of the obligations of the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement and under the terms of the Indenture applicable to it or (ii) with respect to any information included in this Offering Memorandum in the sections entitled "The Portfolio Manager" and "Risk Factors—Certain Conflicts of Interest—Conflicts of Interest Involving the Portfolio Manager" that contains any untrue statement of material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) collectively being the "**Portfolio Manager Breaches**"). The Portfolio Manager will be liable for any non-waivable breaches of applicable securities laws.

The Issuer will indemnify and hold harmless the Portfolio Manager, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees (such parties collectively in such case, the "**Indemnified Parties**") from and against any and all Liabilities, and shall reimburse each such Indemnified Party for all reasonable fees and expenses (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) (collectively, the "**Expenses**") as such Expenses are incurred in investigating, preparing, pursuing or defending any claim, action, proceeding or investigation with respect to any pending or threatened litigation (collectively, the "**Actions**"), caused by, or arising out of or in connection with, the issuance of the Securities, the transactions contemplated by the Offering Memorandum, the Indenture or the Management Agreement, and/or any action taken by, or any failure to act by, such Indemnified Party; *provided, however*, that no Indemnified Party shall be indemnified for any Liabilities or Expenses it incurs as a result of any acts or omissions by any Indemnified Party constituting Portfolio Manager Breaches. Any such indemnification by the Issuer will be paid in accordance with, and subject to, the Priority of Payments.

Pursuant to the terms of the Management Agreement, the Portfolio Manager will agree that on the Closing Date the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates will purchase (or, through a derivative or similar arrangement, retain economic exposure to) Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to \$19,400,000. As agreed in the Management Agreement, Highland Capital and its Affiliates will, so long as Highland Capital or any of its Affiliates is acting as Portfolio Manager, maintain, in the aggregate, ownership of (or, through a derivative or similar arrangement, retain economic exposure to) Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to \$15,000,000.

The Management Agreement may not be amended (a) without satisfying the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency or (b) if a Majority of the Controlling Class or a Majority of the Preference Shares have objected in writing to such amendment or modification within 30 days of notice thereof.

Subject to the termination provisions of the Management Agreement, any assignment of the Management Agreement to any Person, in whole or in part, by the Portfolio Manager will be deemed null and void unless (i) such assignment is consented to in writing by the Issuer, the Holders of at least 66<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub>% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class of Notes and the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding Preference Shares held by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates,

or any account for which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority) and (ii) the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to any such assignment. The Management Agreement shall not be assigned by the Issuer without the prior written consent of the Portfolio Manager and the Trustee, except in the case of assignment by the Issuer to (i) an entity which is a successor to the Issuer permitted under the Indenture, in which case such successor organization shall be bound under the Management Agreement and by the terms of said assignment in the same manner as the Issuer is bound thereunder or (ii) the Trustee as contemplated by the Indenture.

The Management Agreement provides that the Portfolio Manager will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Portfolio Manager such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Portfolio Manager, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the Investment Adviser's Act of 1940. The Management Agreement also provides that the Portfolio Manager will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Portfolio Manager serves as investment advisor, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Portfolio Manager serves as investment advisor unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Portfolio Manager, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Investment Adviser's Act of 1940.

Subject to the provisions for a successor portfolio manager discussed below, the Portfolio Manager may resign, upon 90 days' written notice to the Issuer (or such shorter notice as is acceptable to the Issuer).

The Management Agreement provides that the Portfolio Manager may be removed without cause upon 90 days' prior written notice by the Issuer, at the direction of the Holders of at least 66 $\frac{2}{3}$ % of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Preference Shares (excluding Preference Shares held by the Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates or any account for which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority at the time of such vote); *provided, however*, that the Portfolio Manager shall have the right to avoid any such removal if, on or prior to the proposed removal date the following conditions are satisfied: (i) the Portfolio Manager provides written notice, not less than 20 Business Days prior to the proposed removal date, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Preference Shares), the Issuer and the Trustee that the Portfolio Manager intends to purchase not less than all of the Preference Shares voting for such removal from the Holders thereof (the "**Directing Preference Shares**"), (ii) in the notice provided to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Preference Shares) (including each Combination Securityholder in respect of the Preference Share Component) in the preceding clause (i), the Portfolio Manager includes a statement to the effect that each Holder of Preference Shares who did not vote for removal may provide written notice to the Portfolio Manager not later than 5 Business Days prior to the proposed removal date that the Preference Shares held by such Holder shall be deemed to be included in the Directing Preference Shares as provided in the preceding clause (i) and (iii) the Portfolio Manager effects the purchase of not less than all of the Directing Preference Shares at the Buy-out Amount. If all of the conditions set forth in the preceding sentence are satisfied on or prior to the proposed removal date, the Portfolio Manager shall continue as the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement.

In addition, the Management Agreement will be terminated, and the Portfolio Manager will be removed, by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee or by the Holders of at least 66 $\frac{2}{3}$ % of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class of Notes or by a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates or any account for

which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority at the time of such vote), in each case for "cause" upon 10 days' prior written notice to the Portfolio Manager and upon written notice to the Noteholders and the Holders of the Preference Shares as set forth below. For purposes of determining "cause" with respect to any such termination of the Management Agreement, such term shall mean any one of the following events:

(i) the Portfolio Manager willfully breaches in any respect, or takes any action that it knows violates in any respect, any provision of the Management Agreement or any terms of the Indenture applicable to it;

(ii) the Portfolio Manager breaches in any material respect any provision of the Management Agreement or any terms of the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement applicable to it, or any representation, warranty, certification or statement given in writing by the Portfolio Manager shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or given, and the Portfolio Manager fails to cure such breach or take such action so that the facts (after giving effect to such action) conform in all material respects to such representation, warranty, certificate or statement, in each case within 30 days of becoming aware of, or receiving notice from, the Trustee of, such breach or materially incorrect representation, warranty, certificate or statement;

(iii) certain events of bankruptcy or insolvency occur with respect to the Portfolio Manager;

(iv) the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture that results from any breach by the Portfolio Manager of its duties under the Indenture or the Management Agreement, which breach or default is not cured within any applicable cure period; or

(v) (x) the occurrence of an act by the Portfolio Manager related to its activities in any securities, financial advisory or other investment business that constitutes fraud, (y) the Portfolio Manager being indicted, or any of its principals being convicted, of a felony criminal offense related to its activities in any securities, financial advisory or other investment business or (z) the Portfolio Manager being indicted for, adjudged liable in a civil suit for, or convicted of a violation of the Securities Act or any other United States Federal securities law or any rules or regulations thereunder.

No removal, termination or resignation of the Portfolio Manager will be effective under the Management Agreement unless the Issuer appoints a successor portfolio manager:

(i) (A) at the written direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority), (B) such successor has agreed in writing to assume all of the Portfolio Manager's duties and obligations pursuant to the Management Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor portfolio manager is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) the Holders of at least 66⅔% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class of Notes or (y) the Holders of at least 66⅔% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single Class (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority)); or

(ii) if a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority) has nominated

two or more successor portfolio managers that have been objected to pursuant to clause (i) above or has otherwise failed to appoint a successor portfolio manager that is not objected to pursuant to clause (C) of the preceding sentence within 30 days of the date of notice of such removal, termination or resignation of the Portfolio Manager, then (A) at the direction of the Holders of at least 66⅔% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, (B) such successor has agreed in writing to assume all of the Portfolio Manager's duties and obligations pursuant to the Management Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor portfolio manager is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by the Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority); or

(iii) if the Holders of at least 66⅔% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class fail to appoint a successor portfolio manager pursuant to clause (ii) above, within 90 days of the date of notice of such removal, termination or resignation of the Portfolio Manager, the Holders of at least 66⅔% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class may petition a court of competent authority to appoint a successor portfolio manager.

In addition, any successor portfolio manager must be an established institution which (i) has demonstrated an ability to professionally and competently perform duties similar to those imposed upon the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement, (ii) is legally qualified and has the capacity to act as Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement, as successor to the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement in the assumption of all of the responsibilities, duties and obligations of the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement and under the applicable terms of the Indenture, (iii) shall not cause the Issuer or the pool of Collateral to become required to register under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, (iv) shall perform its duties as Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement and the Indenture without causing the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Holder of Preference Shares to become subject to tax in any jurisdiction where such successor portfolio manager is established as doing business and (v) each Rating Agency has confirmed that the appointment of such successor portfolio manager shall not cause its then-current rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn. No compensation payable to a successor from payments on the Collateral shall be greater than that paid to the Portfolio Manager without the prior written consent of the Holders of at least 66⅔% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, the Holders of at least 66⅔% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting collectively) and a Majority of the Preference Shares (voting collectively).

The Management Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement, cannot be delegated by the Portfolio Manager, in whole or in part, except to any entity that is both (i) controlled by all or any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers and (ii) one in which all of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers is involved in the day to day management and operations (and in such case pursuant to an instrument of delegation in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer), without the prior written consent of the Issuer, the Holders of at least 66⅔% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class and a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding Preference Shares held by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates), and, notwithstanding any such consent, no delegation of obligations or duties by the Portfolio Manager (including, without limitation, to an entity described above) shall relieve the Portfolio Manager from any liability under the Management Agreement.

## **THE CO-ISSUERS**

### **General**

The Issuer was incorporated as an exempted limited liability company on 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2005 in the Cayman Islands under registration number 145598 and the Issuer Charter was adopted by the holder

of all the Issuer Ordinary Shares on 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2005. The registered office of the Issuer is at the offices of Maples Finance Limited, P.O. Box 1093 GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands. The Issuer has no prior operating experience (other than in connection with the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations during the Accumulation Period) and will not have any material assets other than (i) the Collateral pledged to secure the Secured Obligations, and (ii) \$500 (of which \$250 represents the Issuer's ordinary share capital and \$250 represents a fee for issuing the Securities).

The Co-Issuer was incorporated on July 11, 2005 in the State of Delaware under registration number 3997896 as a corporation and has a perpetual existence. The registered office of the Co-Issuer is at 850 Library Avenue, Suite 204, Newark, Delaware 19711. The Co-Issuer has no prior operating history and will not have any material assets.

The Notes and the Combination Securities are limited recourse obligations of the Co-Issuers and the Preference Shares are equity interests only in the Issuer. The Securities are not obligations of the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agent, the Administrator, the Holders of the Preference Shares, Maples Finance Limited, as the share trustee (in such capacity, the "**Share Trustee**"), or any directors or officers of the Co-Issuers or any of their respective Affiliates.

At the Closing Date, the authorized and issued share capital of the Issuer consists of 250 ordinary shares, U.S.\$1.00 par value per share (the "**Issuer Ordinary Shares**") and 200,000 Preference Shares, U.S.\$0.01 par value per share, 91,000 of which will be issued on or about the Closing Date. The authorized common stock of the Co-Issuer consists of 1,000 shares of common stock, U.S.\$0.01 par value (the "**Co-Issuer Common Stock**"), all of which shares will be issued on or about the Closing Date. All of the outstanding Issuer Ordinary Shares and all of the Co-Issuer Common Stock will be held by the Share Trustee. For so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding, no transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares or Co-Issuer Common Stock to a U.S. Person shall be registered.

### Capitalization

The initial proposed capitalization of the Issuer as of the Closing Date after giving effect to the initial issuance of the Securities and the Issuer Ordinary Shares (before deducting expenses of the offering) is as set forth below.

	<b>Amount (U.S.\$)</b>
Class A-1 Notes	\$620,000,000
Class A-2 Notes	28,000,000
Class B Notes	60,500,000
Class C Notes	51,000,000 <sup>1</sup>
Class D Notes	49,500,000
Total Notes	809,000,000
Class 1 Combination Securities	0 <sup>2</sup>
Class 2 Combination Securities	12,400,000 <sup>3</sup>
Preference Shares	91,000,000 <sup>4</sup>
Issuer Ordinary Shares	250
Total Capitalization*	900,000,250



1. Including the portion of Class C Notes represented by the Class 1 Note Component of the Class 1 Combination Securities.
2. The capitalization relating to the Class 1 Combination Securities consisting of the Class 1 Note Component and the Class 1 Combination Security Preference Share Component is included in the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes and initial aggregate Face Amount of the Preference Shares, respectively.
3. Represents the acquisition cost of the Class 2 Bond. The capitalization relating to the Class 2 Combination Securities consisting of the Class 2 Combination Security Preference Share Component is included in the initial aggregate Face Amount of the Preference Shares.
4. Including the portion of the Preference Shares represented by the Class 1 Combination Securities and the Class 2 Combination Securities.

\* The above indebtedness statements are unaudited.

The Co-Issuer will be capitalized only to the extent of its common equity of U.S.\$10, will have no assets other than its equity capital and will have no debt other than as Co-Issuer of the Notes.

## **Business**

### *General*

The Issuer Charter provides that the objects for which the Issuer is established are limited and the Issuer may exercise the power contained in Section 226 of the Companies Law (2004 Revision). Article III of the Co-Issuer's Certificate of Incorporation provides that the principal purpose of the Co-Issuer is the issuance of the Notes and to engage in any activity and to exercise any powers permitted to corporations organized under Delaware Law, which are incidental to, or connected with, the foregoing and necessary, suitable or convenient to accomplish the foregoing.

### *The Issuer*

The Indenture provides that the activities of the Issuer are limited to the following:

- (i) acquisition and disposition of, and investment and reinvestment in, Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments;
- (ii) entering into, and performing its obligations under, the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents, any Hedge Agreements, the Securities Lending Agreements, the Management Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Administration Agreement and the Placement Agreement;
- (iii) the issuance and sale of the Securities and the Issuer Ordinary Shares;
- (iv) the pledge of the Collateral as security for its obligations in respect of the Notes, the Combination Securities and any Hedge Agreements;
- (v) the pledge of the Class 2 Collateral as security for its obligations in respect of the Class 2 Combination Securities (solely to the extent of the Class 2 Component);
- (vi) entering into certain pre-closing warehousing arrangements and the agreements relating thereto; and
- (vii) undertaking certain other activities incidental to the foregoing.

### *The Co-Issuer*

The activities of the Co-Issuer are to be limited to the following:

- (i) the co-issuance and sale of the Notes; and
- (ii) to engage in any activity and to exercise any powers permitted to corporations organized under Delaware Law, which are incidental to, or connected with, the foregoing and necessary, suitable or convenient to accomplish the foregoing.

### **Administration**

Maples Finance Limited (in such capacity, the "**Administrator**"), a Cayman Islands company, will act as the administrator of the Issuer, the Share Registrar and the Share Trustee. The office of the Administrator will serve as the principal office of the Issuer. Through this office and pursuant to the terms of an agreement by and between the Administrator and the Issuer (as amended, supplemented and modified from time to time) (the "**Administration Agreement**"), the Administrator will perform various management functions on behalf of the Issuer, including the provision of certain clerical, administrative and other services including acting as Share Registrar until termination of the Administration Agreement. In consideration of the foregoing, the Administrator will receive various fees and reimbursement of its expenses.

The activities of the Administrator under the Administration Agreement will be subject to the overview of the Issuer's Board of Directors. The Administration Agreement may be terminated by the Issuer upon 14 days' written notice following the happening of certain events or upon 90 days' written notice in all other cases. Upon the earlier of the termination of the Administration Agreement or the dissolution of the Issuer, the Administrator shall cease to serve in such capacity.

The Administrator's principal office is at P.O. Box 1093 GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands.

### **Directors**

The Issuer will have three directors, each of whom is an employee or officer of the Administrator.

The directors of the Issuer are Phillipa White, Guy Major and Wendy Ebanks.

The directors of the Issuer serve as directors of, and provide services to, other special purpose entities that issue collateralized obligations and perform other duties for the Administrator. They may be contacted at the address of the Administrator.

The director of the Co-Issuer is Donald Puglisi. Mr. Puglisi is also the President, Secretary and Treasurer of the Co-Issuer. Mr. Puglisi is a Professor of Finance at the University of Delaware. Mr. Puglisi serves as a director of, and provides services to, a number of special purpose entities. He may be contacted at the address of the Co-Issuer.

## **THE LOAN MARKET**

A substantial portion, by principal amount, of the Collateral Obligations is expected to consist of corporate loans rated below investment grade extended to U.S. and other non-U.S. borrowers. Such loans are typically negotiated by one or more commercial banks or other financial institutions and syndicated among a group of commercial banks and financial institutions.

Corporate loans are typically at the most senior level of the capital structure, and are often secured by specific collateral, including but not limited to, trademarks, patents, accounts receivable, inventory, equipment, buildings, real estate, franchises and common and preferred stock of the obligor and its subsidiaries. Some loans may be unsecured, subordinated to other obligations of the obligor and may have greater credit and liquidity risk than is typically associated with senior secured corporate loans. The corporate loans expected to secure the Notes are of a type generally incurred by the borrowers thereunder in connection with a highly leveraged transaction, often to finance internal growth, acquisitions, mergers, stock purchases, or for other reasons. As a result of the additional debt incurred by the borrower in the course of the transactions, the borrower's creditworthiness is often judged by the rating agencies to be below investment grade. In order to induce the banks and institutional investors to invest in a borrower's loan facility, and to offer a favorable interest rate, the borrower often provides the banks and institutional investors with extensive information about its business, which is not generally available to the public. Because of the provision of confidential information, the unique and customized nature of a loan agreement, and the private syndication of the loan, loans are not as easily purchased or sold as a publicly traded security, and historically the trading volume in the loan market has been small relative to the high yield bond market.

Corporate loans often provide for restrictive covenants designed to limit the activities of the borrower in an effort to protect the right of lenders to receive timely payments of interest on and repayment of principal of the loans. Such covenants may include restrictions on dividend payments, specific mandatory minimum financial ratios, limits on total debt and other financial tests. A breach of covenant (after giving effect to any cure period) in a loan that is not waived by the lending syndicate normally is an event of acceleration that allows the syndicate to demand immediate repayment in full of the outstanding loan. Loans usually have shorter terms than more junior obligations and may require mandatory prepayments from excess cash flow, asset dispositions and offerings of debt and/or equity securities.

The majority of loans bear interest based on a floating rate index, e.g., LIBOR, the certificate of deposit rate, a prime or base rate (each as defined in the applicable loan agreement) or other index, which may reset daily (as most prime or base rate indices do) or offer the borrower a choice of one, two, three, six, nine or twelve month interest rate and rate reset periods. The purchaser of a loan may receive certain syndication or participation fees in connection with its purchase. Other fees payable in respect of a loan, which are separate from interest payments on such loan, may include facility, commitment, amendment and prepayment fees.

Purchasers of loans are predominantly investment and commercial banks, which have applied their experience in high yield securities to the commercial and industrial loan market, acting as both principal and broker. The range of investors for loans has broadened to include money managers, insurance companies, arbitrageurs, bankruptcy investors and mutual funds seeking increased potential total returns and portfolio managers of trusts or special purpose companies issuing collateralized bond and loan obligations. As secondary market trading volumes increase, new loans are frequently adopting more standardized documentation to facilitate loan trading that should improve market liquidity. There can be no assurance, however, that future levels of supply and demand in loan trading will provide the degree of liquidity that currently exists in the market.

### **THE HIGH YIELD DEBT SECURITIES MARKET**

A portion of the Collateral Obligations securing the Notes will consist of high yield debt securities rated below investment grade and Synthetic Securities, the Reference Obligations of which are high yield debt securities rated below investment grade. High yield debt securities are generally unsecured, may be subordinated to other obligations of the obligor and generally have greater credit and liquidity risk than is typically associated with investment grade corporate obligations. The lower rating of high yield debt securities reflects a greater possibility that adverse changes in the financial condition of the obligor or in general economic conditions (including a sustained period of rising interest rates or an

economic downturn) may adversely affect the obligor's ability to pay principal and interest on its debt. Many issuers of high yield debt obligations are highly leveraged, and specific developments affecting such issuers, including reduced cash flow from operations or inability to refinance at maturity, may also adversely affect such issuers' ability to meet their debt service obligations.

High yield debt securities are often issued in connection with leveraged acquisitions or recapitalizations in which the issuers incur a substantially higher amount of indebtedness than the level at which they had previously operated. High yield debt securities have historically experienced greater default rates than has been the case for investment grade securities. Although several studies have been made of historical default rates in the high yield market, such studies do not necessarily provide a basis for drawing definitive conclusions with respect to default rates and, in any event, do not necessarily provide a basis for predicting future default rates.

## INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

### General

The following summary describes the principal U.S. federal income tax and Cayman Islands tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of the Notes, the Combination Securities and the Preference Shares to investors that acquire the Notes and the Combination Securities at original issuance and, in the case of the Notes, for an amount equal to the Issue Price of the relevant Class of Notes (for purposes of this section, with respect to each such Class of Notes, the first price at which a substantial amount of Notes of such Class are sold to investors (excluding bond houses, brokers, underwriters, placement agents and wholesalers) is referred to herein as the "**Issue Price**"). This summary does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all the tax considerations that may be relevant to a particular investor's decision to purchase the Notes, the Combination Securities and the Preference Shares. In addition, this summary does not describe any tax consequences arising under the laws of any state, locality or taxing jurisdiction other than the United States federal income tax laws and Cayman Islands tax laws. In general, the summary assumes that a Holder holds a Security as a capital asset and not as part of a hedge, straddle or conversion transaction, within the meaning of Section 1258 of the Code.

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The advice below was not written and is not intended to be used and cannot be used by any taxpayer for purposes of avoiding United States federal income tax penalties that may be imposed. The advice is written to support the promotion or marketing of the transaction. Each taxpayer should seek advice based on the taxpayer's particular circumstances from an independent tax advisor.

The foregoing disclaimer is provided to satisfy obligations under Circular 230 governing standards of practice before the Internal Revenue Service.

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This summary is based on the U.S. and Cayman Islands tax laws, regulations (final, temporary and proposed), administrative rulings and practice and judicial decisions in effect or available on the date of this Offering Memorandum. All of the foregoing are subject to change or differing interpretation at any time, which change or interpretation may apply retroactively and could affect the continued validity of this summary.

This summary is included herein for general information only, and there can be no assurance that the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (the "**IRS**") will take a similar view of the U.S. federal income tax

consequences of an investment in the Securities as described herein. ACCORDINGLY, PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS OF THE SECURITIES SHOULD CONSULT THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS AS TO U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX AND CAYMAN ISLANDS TAX CONSEQUENCES OF THE PURCHASE, OWNERSHIP AND DISPOSITION OF THE SECURITIES, AND THE POSSIBLE APPLICATION OF STATE, LOCAL, FOREIGN OR OTHER TAX LAWS.

As used in this section, the term "**U.S. Holder**" includes a beneficial owner of a Security that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a citizen or individual resident of the United States of America, an entity treated for United States federal income tax purposes as a corporation or a partnership created or organized in or under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof or the District of Columbia, an estate the income of which is includable in gross income for U.S. federal income tax purposes regardless of its source, or a trust if, in general, a court within the United States of America is able to exercise primary supervision over its administration and one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of such trust, and certain eligible trusts that have elected to be treated as United States persons. This summary also does not address the rules applicable to certain types of investors that are subject to special U.S. federal income tax rules, including but not limited to, dealers in securities or currencies, traders in securities, financial institutions, U.S. expatriates, tax-exempt entities (except with respect to specific issues discussed herein), charitable remainder trusts and their beneficiaries, insurance companies, persons or their qualified business units whose functional currency is not the U.S. Dollar, persons that own (directly or indirectly) equity interests in Holders of Securities and subsequent purchasers of the Securities.

In this summary, each of the Combination Securities will be treated as its respective Components rather than a single unit. Therefore, in the following discussions, (i) any reference in the summary applicable to the Class C Notes also applies to any corresponding Class 1 Note Components of the Class 1 Combination Securities and (ii) any reference in the summary applicable to the Preference Shares also applies to any corresponding Preference Share Components of the Combination Securities. The Class 2 Combination Securities will represent an interest in the underlying Class 2 Component (the discount of which is generally required to be accrued under the original issue discount rules). Potential purchasers should consult their advisors as to the U.S. federal income tax consequences of owning a Class 2 Component. For U.S. federal income tax purposes, the Issuer, and not the Co-Issuer, will be treated as the issuer of the Notes.

## **United States Federal Income Taxation**

### **Tax Treatment of the Issuer**

The Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder provide a specific exemption from U.S. federal income tax to non-U.S. corporations which restrict their activities in the United States to trading in stocks and securities (and any other activity closely related thereto) for their own account, whether such trading (or such other activity) is conducted by the corporation or its employees or through a resident broker, commission agent, custodian or other agent. This particular exemption does not apply to non-U.S. corporations that are engaged in activities in the United States other than trading in stocks and securities (and any other activity closely related thereto) for their own account or that are dealers in stocks and securities.

The Issuer intends to rely on the above exemption and does not intend to operate so as to be subject to U.S. federal income taxes on its net income. In this regard, on the Closing Date, the Issuer will receive an opinion from McKee Nelson LLP, special U.S. tax counsel to the Issuer ("**Special U.S. Tax Counsel**") to the effect that, although no activity closely comparable to that contemplated by the Issuer has been the subject of any Treasury Regulation, revenue ruling or judicial decision, under current law and assuming compliance with the Indenture, the Management Agreement, and other related documents (the "**Documents**") by all parties thereto, the Issuer's contemplated activities will not cause it to be

engaged in a trade or business in the United States under the Code and, consequently, the Issuer's profits will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis (or the branch profits tax described below). The opinion of Special U.S. Tax Counsel will be based on the Code, the Treasury Regulations (final, temporary and proposed) thereunder, the existing authorities, and Special U.S. Tax Counsel's interpretation thereof, and on certain factual assumptions and representations as to the Issuer's contemplated activities. The Issuer intends to conduct its affairs in accordance with such assumptions and representations, and the remainder of this summary assumes such result. In addition, in interpreting and complying with the Documents and such assumptions and representations, the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager are entitled to rely upon the advice and/or opinions of their selected counsel, and the opinion of Special U.S. Tax Counsel will assume that any such advice and/or opinions are correct and complete. However, the opinion of Special U.S. Tax Counsel and any such other advice or opinions are not binding on the IRS or the courts, and no ruling will be sought from the IRS regarding this, or any other, aspect of the U.S. federal income tax treatment of the Issuer. Accordingly, in the absence of authority on point, the U.S. federal income tax treatment of the Issuer is not entirely free from doubt, and there can be no assurance that positions contrary to those stated in the opinion of Special U.S. Tax Counsel or any such other advice or opinions may not be asserted successfully by the IRS.

If, notwithstanding the aforementioned opinion of Special U.S. Tax Counsel, it were determined that the Issuer were engaged in a trade or business in the United States (as defined in the Code), and the Issuer had taxable income that was effectively connected with such U.S. trade or business, the Issuer would be subject under the Code to the regular U.S. corporate income tax on such effectively connected taxable income (and possibly to the 30% branch profits tax as well). The imposition of such taxes would materially affect the Issuer's financial ability to make payments with respect to the Securities and could materially affect the yield of the Notes and the return on the Preference Shares.

*United States Withholding Taxes.* Although, based on the foregoing, the Issuer is not expected to be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis, income derived by the Issuer may be subject to withholding taxes imposed by the United States or other countries. Generally, U.S. source interest income received by a foreign corporation not engaged in a trade or business within the United States is subject to U.S. withholding tax at the rate of 30% of the amount thereof. The Code provides an exemption (the "**portfolio interest exemption**") from such withholding tax for interest paid with respect to certain debt obligations issued after July 18, 1984, unless the interest constitutes a certain type of contingent interest or is paid to a 10% shareholder of the payor, to a controlled foreign corporation related to the payor, or to a bank with respect to a loan entered into in the ordinary course of its business. In this regard, the Issuer is permitted to acquire a particular Collateral Obligation only if the payments thereon are exempt from U.S. withholding taxes at the time of purchase or the obligor is required to make "gross-up" payments that offset fully any such tax on any such payments. Any commitment fees associated with Collateral Obligations constituting Revolving Loans or any securities lending arrangement may be subject to U.S. withholding tax, which would reduce the Issuer's net income from such activities. However, the Issuer does not anticipate that it will otherwise derive material amounts of any other items of income that would be subject to U.S. withholding taxes. Accordingly, assuming compliance with the foregoing restrictions and subject to the foregoing qualifications, income derived by the Issuer will be free of or fully "grossed up" for any material amount of U.S. withholding tax. However, there can be no assurance that income derived by the Issuer will not generally become subject to U.S. withholding tax as a result of a change in U.S. tax law or administrative practice, procedure, or interpretations thereof. It is also anticipated that the Issuer will acquire Collateral Obligations that consist of obligations of non-U.S. issuers. In this regard, the Issuer may only acquire a particular Collateral Obligation if either the payments thereon are not subject to foreign withholding tax (with the exception of commitment fees associated with Collateral Obligations constituting Revolving Loans or with any securities lending arrangements) or the obligor of the Collateral Obligation is required to make "gross-up" payments.

Prospective investors should be aware that, under certain Treasury Regulations, the IRS may disregard the participation of an intermediary in a "conduit" financing arrangement and the conclusions

reached in the immediately preceding paragraph assume that such Treasury Regulations do not apply. Those Treasury Regulations could require withholding of U.S. federal income tax from payments to the Issuer of interest on the Collateral. In order to prevent "conduit" classification, each holder and beneficial owner of a Certificated Preference Share that is not a "United States person" (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Trustee written certification in a form of certification acceptable to the Issuer and the Trustee as to whether it is an Affected Bank. Each purchaser and subsequent transferee of an interest in the Regulation S Global Preference Shares will be deemed to represent to the Issuer and to the Trustee that it is not an Affected Bank. No transfer of any Preference Shares to an Affected Bank will be effective, and the Trustee will not recognize any such transfer, unless such transfer is specifically authorized by the Issuer in writing; *provided, however*, that the Issuer shall authorize any such transfer if (x) such transfer would not cause an Affected Bank, directly or in conjunction with its affiliates, to own more than 33⅓% of the aggregate outstanding amount of the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components of the Combination Securities) or (y) the transferor is an Affected Bank previously approved by the Issuer. In addition, each Holder and beneficial owner of a Preference Shares will be required to make the representations set forth under "Transfer Restrictions."

### **Tax Treatment of U.S. Holders of the Notes**

*Treatment of the Notes.* In the opinion of Special U.S. Tax Counsel, the Notes will be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes when issued and this summary assumes such treatment. Further, the Issuer will treat, and each Holder and beneficial owner of a Note (by acquiring such Note or an interest in such Note) will agree to treat, such Note as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes, except as otherwise required by law. With regard to the characterization for U.S. federal income tax purposes of the Notes issued after the Closing Date, prospective investors should note that the characterization of an instrument as debt or equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes is highly factual and must be based on the applicable law and the facts and circumstances existing at the time such instrument is issued and material changes from those existing on the Closing Date (e.g. a material decline in the value of the Issuer's assets, a material adverse change in the Issuer's ability to repay the Notes previously issued, and/or a material decline in the proportion of the Preference Shares) could affect the characterization of the Notes issued after (but not before) such changes. However, the opinion of Special U.S. Tax Counsel is based on current law and certain representations and assumptions and is not binding on the IRS or the courts, and no ruling will be sought from the IRS regarding this, or any other, aspect of the U.S. federal income tax treatment of the Notes. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the IRS will not contend, and that a court will not ultimately hold, that for U.S. federal income tax purposes one or more Classes of the Notes are properly treated as equity in the Issuer. Recharacterization of a Class of Notes, particularly the Class D Notes because of their place in the capital structure, may be more likely if a single investor or a group of investors that holds all of the Preference Shares also holds all of the more senior Class of Notes in the same proportion as the Preference Shares are held. In that case, the U.S. federal income tax consequences to U.S. Holders of the Notes would be substantially the same as those set forth under "Tax Treatment of U.S Holders of Preference Shares" and there might be adverse U.S. federal income tax consequences to a U.S. Holder of Notes upon the sale, redemption, retirement or other disposition of, or the receipt of certain types of distributions on, the Notes. The following discussion assumes that the Notes will be treated as debt of the Issuer for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

*Maturity Extension and Extension Bonus Payment.* Because the Stated Maturity of the Notes may be extended if certain conditions are met, it is unclear whether the Notes should be treated as maturing in 2010, the first Extension Effective Date, or 2033, the last possible Extended Stated Maturity Date, or on a date between such dates. The Treasury regulations do not provide clear guidance on debt instruments with terms similar to the Notes. Absent further guidance, the Issuer intends to take the position that the Notes should be treated as maturing on November 1, 2017. If the Notes are extended, the Issuer intends to treat each Note, for purposes of sections 1272 and 1273 of the Code, as retired and reissued for an amount equal to the adjusted issue price on the date of the new Extension Effective Date.

As discussed below, the Notes may be deemed to be reissued for other purposes as well. Prospective investors in the Notes should consult their tax advisors regarding whether the Notes should be treated as maturing on a different date and the tax consequences if the Notes have a different maturity date than that chosen by the Issuer.

If the Stated Maturity is extended, the extension of the Stated Maturity would be treated as a modification of the Notes if the Notes may be sold to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser that is related to the Issuer within the meaning of section 267(b) of the Code. If such extension constitutes a modification, there is a significant risk that U.S. Holders who continue to hold their Notes after such extension will be treated as having exchanged their Notes for new Notes ("**New Notes**") in a deemed exchange for U.S. federal income tax purposes (a "**Deemed Exchange**"). In such event, if either the Notes or the New Notes are not "securities" for U.S. federal income tax purposes, U.S. Holders would be treated as having disposed of their Notes in a taxable exchange for New Notes and would have a new tax basis and new holding period. If instead both the Notes and New Notes are treated as securities for U.S. federal income tax purposes, U.S. Holders would generally recognize no gain or loss, would have the same holding period and tax basis, and may be treated as having acquired the New Notes at a market discount or premium, depending on such U.S. Holder's tax basis at the time of the Deemed Exchange and the deemed "issue price" of the New Notes. If the Notes are treated as exchanged for New Notes in a Deemed Exchange as a result of a Maturity Extension, whether the New Notes would be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes will depend on the facts and circumstances existing at the time of such Deemed Exchange. Special U.S. Tax Counsel is unable to opine on whether New Notes treated as received in a Deemed Exchange for the Notes will be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In the event of a Deemed Exchange, U.S. Holders are strongly urged to consult their tax advisors regarding the tax consequences of such Deemed Exchange.

The tax treatment of the Exchange Bonus Payment is unclear. The Issuer intends to take the positions that the full amount of the Exchange Bonus Payment should be taxable to U.S. Holders as ordinary income in accordance with their method of accounting. U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisors regarding the taxation of the Exchange Bonus Payment and the tax consequences of the Notes if they are treated as contingent payment debt instruments.

*Interest or Discount on the Notes.* Subject to the discussion below, U.S. Holders of the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes generally will include in gross income payments of stated interest received on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes, in accordance with their usual method of accounting for U.S. federal income tax purposes, as ordinary interest income from sources outside the United States.

If the Issue Price of a Class of Notes is less than the "stated redemption price at maturity" of such Class of Notes by more than a *de minimis* amount, U.S. Holders of Notes of such Class will be considered to have purchased such Notes with original issue discount ("**OID**"). The stated redemption price at maturity of a Class of Notes will be the sum of all payments to be received on the Notes of such Class, other than payments of "**qualified stated interest**" (i.e., generally, stated interest which is unconditionally payable in money at least annually during the entire term of a debt instrument). Interest is unconditionally payable if reasonable remedies exist to compel payment as the or the terms of the instrument make late payment or non-payment remote. Prospective U.S. Holders of the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes should note that, because interest on these Classes of Notes may not qualify as unconditionally payable on each Payment Date (and, therefore, may not be "qualified stated interest"), all of the stated interest payments on one or both of these Classes of Notes may be included in the stated redemption prices at maturity, and required to be accrued by U.S. Holders pursuant to the OID rules described below. Such OID inclusion on such Classes of Notes generally will be treated as income from sources outside the United States.

A U.S. Holder of such Class of Notes issued with OID will be required to accrue and include in gross income the sum of the "daily portions" of total OID on such Notes for each day during the taxable



year on which the U.S. Holder held such Notes, generally under a constant yield method, regardless of such U.S. Holder's usual method of accounting for U.S. federal income tax purposes. If a Note is issued at a discount from its stated principal balance and that discount is considered to represent only a *de minimis* amount of OID, such discount is not subject to accrual under the OID rules and should be included in gross income proportionately as stated principal payments are received. Such *de minimis* OID should be treated as gain from the sale or exchange of property and may be eligible as capital gain if the Note is a capital asset in the hands of the U.S. Holder.

In the case of Notes that provide for a floating rate of interest, the amount of OID to be accrued over the term of such Notes will be based initially on the assumption that the floating rate in effect for the first accrual period of such Notes will remain constant throughout their term. To the extent such rate varies with respect to any accrual period, such variation will be reflected in an increase or decrease of the amount of OID accrued for such period. Under the foregoing method, U.S. Holders of the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes may be required to include in gross income increasingly greater amounts of OID and may be required to include OID in advance of the receipt of cash attributable to such income.

The Issuer intends to treat Classes of Notes issued with more than *de minimis* OID as being subject to rules prescribed by Section 1272(a)(6) of the Code using an assumption as to the prepayments on such Class of Notes, as discussed below under "—OID on the Notes." A prepayment assumption applies to debt instruments if payments under such debt instruments may be accelerated by reason of prepayments of other obligations securing such debt instruments.

*OID on the Notes.* The following discussion will apply to a Class of Notes if it is issued with more than *de minimis* OID. Because principal repayments on the Notes are subject to acceleration, the method by which OID on the Notes is required to be accrued is uncertain. For purposes of accruing OID on these Notes under such circumstances, the Issuer intends to treat these Notes as being subject to the "prepayment assumption method". These rules require that the amount and rate of accrual of OID be calculated based on a prepayment assumption and the anticipated reinvestment rate, if any, relating to the Notes and prescribe a method for adjusting the amount and rate of accrual of the discount where the actual prepayment rate differs from the prepayment assumption. Under the Code, the prepayment assumption must be determined in the manner prescribed by the Treasury Regulations, which have not yet been issued. The legislative history provides, however, that Congress intended the Treasury Regulations to require that the prepayment assumption be the prepayment assumption that is used in determining the initial offering price of the Notes. Solely for purposes of determining OID, market discount and bond premium, the Issuer intends to assume that the Collateral Obligations will either not prepay or any prepayments will be reinvested. No representation is made that the Notes will prepay at the prepayment assumption or at any other rate.

It is possible the IRS could contend that another method of accruing OID with respect to these Notes is appropriate and, if successful, could apply rules that may result in adverse or more favorable U.S. federal income tax consequences to a U.S. Holder of such Notes. One such alternative method of accruing OID may be the noncontingent bond method that governs contingent payment debt obligations. Such method could affect the amount and character of the gain or loss recognized upon a disposition of a Note.

A subsequent purchaser of a Note issued with OID who purchases such Note at a price other than the adjusted Issue Price but at a cost less than the remaining stated redemption price at maturity will also be required to include in gross income the sum of the daily portions of OID on such Note. In computing the daily portions of OID for a subsequent purchaser of a Note (as well as an initial purchaser that purchases at a price higher than the adjusted issue price, but less than the stated redemption price at maturity), however, the daily portion is reduced by the amount that would be the daily portion for the day (computed in accordance with the rules set forth above) *multiplied* by a fraction, the number of which is

the amount, if any, by which the price paid by the U.S. Holder for such Note exceeds the following amount:

- The sum of the Issue Price plus the aggregate amount of OID that would have been includible in the gross income of an original U.S. Holder (who purchased the Note at the Issue Price); *less*
- Any prior payments included in the stated redemption price at maturity,

and the denominator of which is the sum of the daily portions for such Note for all days beginning on the date after the purchase date and ending on the maturity date computed under the prepayment assumption.

A U.S. Holder who purchases a Note at a cost greater than its stated redemption price at maturity may elect to amortize such premium under a constant yield method over the life of such Note. The amortizable amount for any accrual period would offset the amount of OID that must be included in the gross income of a U.S. Holder in such accrual period. The U.S. Holder's basis in such Note would be reduced by the amount of amortization. It is not clear whether the prepayment assumption would be taken into account in determining the life of such Note for this purpose.

If the U.S. Holder acquires a Note at a discount to the adjusted issue price of such Note that is greater than a specified *de minimis* amount, such discount is treated as market discount. Absent an election to accrue into income currently, the amount of accrued market discount on a Note is included in income as ordinary income when principal payments are received or the U.S. Holder disposes of its Note. Market discount is included ratably unless a U.S. Holder elects to use a constant yield method for accrual. For this purpose, ratably may be the term of its Note, or a U.S. Holder may be permitted to accrue market discount in proportion to interest on Notes issued without OID or in proportion to OID on Notes issued with OID.

As a result of the complexity of the OID rules, each U.S. Holder of a Note should consult its own tax advisor regarding the impact of the OID rules on its investment in such Note.

*Election to Treat All Interest as OID.* The OID rules permit a U.S. Holder of a Note to elect to accrue all interest, discount (including *de minimis* market or original issue discount) and premium in income as interest, based on a constant yield method. If an election to treat all interest as OID were to be made with respect to a Note with market discount, the U.S. Holder of such Note would be deemed to have made an election to include in income currently market discount with respect to all other debt instruments having market discount that such U.S. Holder acquires during the taxable year of the election or thereafter. A U.S. Holder that makes this election for a Note that is acquired at a premium will be deemed to have made an election to amortize bond premium with respect to all debt instruments having amortizable bond premium that such U.S. Holder owns or acquires. The election to accrue interest, discount and premium on a constant yield method with respect to a Note cannot be revoked without the consent of the IRS.

*Disposition of the Notes.* In general, a U.S. Holder of a Note initially will have a basis in such Note equal to the cost of such Note to such U.S. Holder, (i) increased by any amount includable in income by such U.S. Holder as OID or any accrued market discount the Holder previously included in income with respect to such Note, and (ii) reduced by any amortized premium and by payments on such Note, other than payments of qualified stated interest on such Notes. Upon a sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other taxable disposition of a Note, a U.S. Holder will generally recognize gain or loss equal to the difference between the amount realized on the disposition (other than amounts attributable to accrued qualified stated interest on such Notes, which will be taxable as described above) and the U.S. Holder's tax basis in such Note. Except to the extent of any accrued interest or accrued market discount not previously included in income, gain or loss from the disposition of a Note generally will be long term

capital gain or loss if the U.S. Holder held its Note for more than one year at the time of disposition, *provided* that such Note is held as a "capital asset" (generally, property held for investment) within the meaning of Section 1221 of the Code.

In certain circumstances, U.S. Holders that are individuals may be entitled to preferential treatment for net long-term capital gains; however, the ability of U.S. Holders to offset capital losses against ordinary income is limited.

Gain recognized by a U.S. Holder on the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other taxable disposition of a Note generally will be treated as from sources within the United States and loss so recognized generally will offset income from sources within the United States.

### **Tax Treatment of U.S. Holders of Preference Shares**

*Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company.* The Issuer will constitute a "passive foreign investment company" ("**PFIC**") and the Preference Shares will be treated as equity in the Issuer. Accordingly, U.S. Holders of Preference Shares (other than certain U.S. Holders that are subject to the rules pertaining to a "controlled foreign corporation" with respect to the Issuer, described below) will be considered U.S. shareholders in a PFIC. In general, a U.S. Holder of a PFIC may desire to make an election to treat the Issuer as a "qualified electing fund" ("**QEF**") with respect to such U.S. Holder. Generally, a QEF election should be made with the filing of a U.S. Holder's federal income tax return for the first taxable year for which it held the Preference Shares. If a timely QEF election is made for the Issuer, an electing U.S. Holder will be required in each taxable year to include in gross income (i) as ordinary income, such holder's *pro rata* share of the Issuer's ordinary earnings and (ii) as long-term capital gain, such holder's *pro rata* share of the Issuer's net capital gain, whether or not distributed. A U.S. Holder will not be eligible for the dividends received deduction in respect of such income or gain or the preferential rate for qualified dividend income. In addition, any losses of the Issuer in a taxable year will not be available to such U.S. Holder and may not be carried back or forward in computing the Issuer's ordinary earnings and net capital gain in other taxable years. An amount included in an electing U.S. Holder's gross income should be treated as income from sources outside the United States for U.S. foreign tax credit limitation purposes. However, if U.S. Holders collectively own (directly or constructively) 50% or more (measured by vote or value) of the Preference Shares, such amount will be treated as income from sources within the United States for such purposes to the extent that such amount is attributable to income of the Issuer from sources within the United States. If applicable to a U.S. Holder of Preference Shares, the rules pertaining to a "controlled foreign corporation", discussed below, generally override those pertaining to a PFIC with respect to which a QEF election is in effect.

In certain cases in which a QEF does not distribute all of its earnings in a taxable year, U.S. shareholders may also be permitted to elect to defer payment of some or all of the taxes on the QEF's undistributed income subject to an interest charge on the deferred amount. In this respect, prospective purchasers of Preference Shares should be aware that it is expected that the Collateral Obligations may be purchased by the Issuer with substantial OID the cash payment of which may be deferred, perhaps for a substantial period of time, and the Issuer may use interest and other income from the Collateral Obligations to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or to retire the Securities. As a result, the Issuer may have in any given year substantial amounts of earnings for U.S. federal income tax purposes that are not distributed on the Preference Shares. Thus, absent an election to defer payment of taxes, U.S. Holders that make a QEF election with respect to the Issuer may owe tax on significant "phantom" income.

In addition, it should be noted that if the Issuer invests in obligations that are not in registered form, a U.S. Holder making a QEF election (i) may not be permitted to take a deduction for any loss attributable to such obligations when calculating its share of the Issuer's earnings and (ii) may be required to treat income attributable to such obligations as ordinary income even though the income would

otherwise constitute capital gains. It is possible that some portion of the investments of the Issuer will constitute obligations that are not in registered form.

The Issuer will provide, upon request, all information and documentation that a U.S. Holder making a QEF election is required to obtain for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

A U.S. Holder of Preference Shares (other than certain U.S. Holders that are subject to the rules pertaining to a "controlled foreign corporation," described below) that does not make a timely QEF election will be required to report any gain on disposition (including gain upon redemption) of any Preference Shares as if it were an excess distribution, rather than capital gain, and to compute the tax liability on such gain and other excess distributions received in respect of the Preference Shares as if such items had been earned ratably over each day in the U.S. Holder's holding period (or a certain portion thereof) for the Preference Shares. The U.S. Holder will be subject to tax on such items at the highest ordinary income tax rate for each taxable year, other than the current year of the U.S. Holder, in which the items were treated as having been earned, regardless of the rate otherwise applicable to the U.S. Holder. Further, such U.S. Holder will also be liable for an additional tax equal to interest on the tax liability attributable to income allocated to prior years as if such liability had been due with respect to each such prior year. For purposes of these rules, gifts, exchanges pursuant to corporate reorganizations and use of the Preference Shares as security for a loan may be treated as a taxable disposition of the Preference Shares. Very generally, an "excess distribution" is the amount by which distributions during a taxable year with respect to a Preference Share exceed 125 percent of the average amount of distributions in respect thereof during the three preceding taxable years (or, if shorter, the U.S. Holder's holding period for the Preference Share). In addition, a stepped-up basis in the Preference Share upon the death of an individual U.S. Holder may not be available.

In many cases, application of the tax on gain on disposition and receipt of excess distributions will be substantially more onerous than the treatment applicable if a timely QEF election is made. ACCORDINGLY, U.S. HOLDERS OF PREFERENCE SHARES SHOULD CONSIDER CAREFULLY WHETHER TO MAKE A QEF ELECTION WITH RESPECT TO THE PREFERENCE SHARES AND THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT MAKING SUCH AN ELECTION.

U.S. holders of the Preference Shares should consult their tax advisors regarding the U.S. federal income tax consequences of holding the Preference Shares.

*Investment in a Controlled Foreign Corporation.* The Issuer may be classified as a controlled foreign corporation ("CFC"). In general, a foreign corporation will be classified as a CFC if more than 50% of the shares of the corporation, measured by reference to combined voting power or value, is owned (actually or constructively) by "U.S. Shareholders." A U.S. Shareholder, for this purpose, is in general any U.S. person that possesses (actually or constructively) 10% or more of the combined voting power (generally the right to vote for directors of the corporation) of all classes of shares of a corporation. Although the Preference Shares do not vote for directors of the Issuer, it is possible that the IRS would assert that the Preference Shares are de facto voting securities and that U.S. Holders possessing (actually or constructively) 10% or more of the total stated amount of outstanding Preference Shares are U.S. Shareholders. If this argument were successful and more than 50% of the Preference Shares (determined with respect to aggregate value or vote) are owned (actually or constructively) by such U.S. Shareholders, the Issuer would be treated as a CFC.

If the Issuer were treated as a CFC, a U.S. Shareholder of the Issuer (at the end of the taxable year of the Issuer) would be treated, subject to certain exceptions, as receiving a deemed dividend in an amount equal to that person's *pro rata* share of the "subpart F income" of the Issuer. Such deemed dividend normally would be treated as income from sources within the United States for U.S. foreign tax credit limitation purposes to the extent that it is attributable to income of the Issuer from sources within the United States. Among other items, and subject to certain exceptions, "subpart F income" includes

dividends, interest, annuities, gains from the sale of shares and securities, certain gains from commodities transactions, income from certain notional principal contracts, certain types of insurance income and income from certain transactions with related parties. It is likely that, if the Issuer were to constitute a CFC, all or most of its income would be subpart F income. In general, if the subpart F income exceeds 70% of the Issuer's gross income, the entire amount of the Issuer's income will be subpart F income. U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisors regarding these special rules.

If the Issuer were treated as a CFC, a U.S. Shareholder of the Issuer which made a QEF election with respect to the Issuer would be taxable on the subpart F income of the Issuer under rules described in the preceding paragraph and not under the QEF rules previously described. As a result, to the extent subpart F income of the Issuer includes net capital gains, such gains would be treated as ordinary income of the U.S. Shareholder under the CFC rules, notwithstanding the fact that the character of such gains generally would otherwise be preserved under the QEF rules.

Furthermore, if the Issuer were treated as a CFC and a U.S. Holder were treated as a U.S. Shareholder therein, the Issuer would not be treated as a PFIC or a QEF with respect to such U.S. Holder for the period during which the Issuer remained a CFC and such U.S. Holder remained a U.S. Shareholder therein (the "qualified portion" of the U.S. Holder's holding period for the Preference Shares). If the qualified portion of such U.S. Holder's holding period for the Preference Shares subsequently ceased (either because the Issuer ceased to be a CFC or the U.S. Holder ceased to be a U.S. Shareholder), then solely for purposes of the PFIC rules, such U.S. Holder's holding period for the Preference Shares would be treated as beginning on the first day following the end of such qualified portion, unless the U.S. Holder had owned any Preference Shares for any period of time prior to such qualified portion and had not made a QEF election with respect to the Issuer. In that case, the Issuer would again be treated as a PFIC which is not a QEF with respect to such U.S. Holder and the beginning of such U.S. Holder's holding period for the Preference Shares would continue to be the date upon which such U.S. Holder acquired the Preference Shares, unless the U.S. Holder made an election to recognize gain with respect to the Preference Shares and a QEF election with respect to the Issuer.

*Indirect Interests in PFICs and CFCs.* If the Issuer owns a Collateral Obligation or a Qualified Equity Security issued by a non-U.S. corporation that is treated as equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes, U.S. Holders of Preference Shares could be treated as owning an indirect equity interest in a PFIC or a CFC and could be subject to certain adverse tax consequences.

In particular, if the Issuer owns equity interests in PFICs ("**Lower-Tier PFICs**"), a U.S. Holder of Preference Shares would be treated as owning directly the U.S. Holder's proportionate amount (by value) of the Issuer's equity interests in the Lower-Tier PFICs. A U.S. Holder's QEF election with respect to the Issuer would not be effective with respect to such Lower-Tier PFICs. However, a U.S. Holder would be able to make QEF elections with respect to such Lower-Tier PFICs if the Lower-Tier PFICs provide certain information and documentation to the Issuer in accordance with applicable Treasury Regulations. However, there can be no assurance that the Issuer would be able to obtain such information and documentation from any Lower-Tier PFIC, and thus there can be no assurance that a U.S. Holder would be able to make or maintain a QEF election with respect to any Lower-Tier PFIC. If a U.S. Holder does not have a QEF election in effect with respect to a Lower-Tier PFIC, as a general matter, the U.S. Holder would be subject to the adverse consequences described above under "—Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company" with respect to any excess distributions made by such Lower-Tier PFIC to the Issuer, any gain on the disposition by the Issuer of its equity interest in such Lower-Tier PFIC treated as indirectly realized by such U.S. Holder, and any gain treated as indirectly realized by such U.S. Holder on the disposition of its equity in the Issuer (which may arise even if the U.S. Holder realizes a loss on such disposition). Such amount would not be reduced by expenses or losses of the Issuer, but any income recognized may increase a U.S. Holder's tax basis in its Preference Shares. Moreover, if the U.S. Holder has a QEF election in effect with respect to a Lower-Tier PFIC, the U.S. Holder would be required to include in income the U.S. Holder's *pro rata* share of the Lower-Tier PFIC's ordinary earnings and net

capital gain as if the U.S. Holder's indirect equity interest in the Lower-Tier PFIC were directly owned, and it appears that the U.S. Holder would not be permitted to use any losses or other expenses of the Issuer to offset such ordinary earnings and/or net capital gains but recognition of such income may increase a U.S. Holder's tax basis in its Preference Shares.

Accordingly, if any of the Collateral Obligations or Qualified Equity Securities are treated as equity interests in a PFIC, such U.S. Holders could experience significant amounts of phantom income with respect to such interests. Other adverse tax consequences may arise for such U.S. Holders that are treated as owning indirect interests in CFCs. U.S. Holders should consult their own tax advisors regarding the tax issues associated with such investments in light of their own individual circumstances.

*Distributions on the Preference Shares.* The treatment of actual distributions of cash on the Preference Shares, in very general terms, will vary depending on whether a U.S. Holder has made a timely QEF election as described above. See "—Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company." If a timely QEF election has been made, distributions should be allocated first to amounts previously taxed pursuant to the QEF election (or pursuant to the CFC rules, if applicable) and to this extent will not be taxable to U.S. Holders. Distributions in excess of such previously taxed amounts pursuant to a QEF election (or pursuant to the CFC rules, if applicable) will be taxable to U.S. Holders as ordinary income upon receipt to the extent of any remaining amounts of untaxed current and accumulated earnings and profits of the Issuer. Distributions in excess of any current and accumulated earnings and profits will be treated first as a nontaxable reduction to the U.S. Holder's tax basis for the Preference Shares to the extent thereof and then as capital gain.

In the event that a U.S. Holder does not make a timely QEF election, then except to the extent that distributions may be attributable to amounts previously taxed pursuant to the CFC rules, some or all of any distributions with respect to the Preference Shares may constitute "excess distributions," taxable as previously described. See "—Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company." In that event, except to the extent that distributions may be attributable to amounts previously taxed to the U.S. Holder pursuant to the CFC rules or are treated as "excess distributions," distributions on the Preference Shares generally would be treated as dividends to the extent paid out of the Issuer's current or accumulated earnings and profits not allocated to any "excess distributions," then as a nontaxable reduction to the U.S. Holder's tax basis for the Preference Shares to the extent thereof and then as capital gain. Dividends received from a foreign corporation generally will be treated as income from sources outside the United States for U.S. foreign tax credit limitation purposes. However, if U.S. Holders collectively own (directly or constructively) 50% or more (measured by vote or value) of the Preference Shares, a percentage of the dividend income equal to the proportion of the Issuer's earnings and profits from sources within the United States generally will be treated as income from sources within the United States for such purposes.

*Purchase or Disposition of the Preference Shares.* In general, a U.S. Holder of a Preference Share will recognize a gain or loss upon the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other taxable disposition of a Preference Share equal to the difference between the amount realized and such U.S. Holder's adjusted tax basis in the Preference Share. Except as discussed below, such gain or loss will be a capital gain or loss and will be a long-term capital gain or loss if the U.S. Holder held the Preference Shares for more than one year at the time of the disposition. In certain circumstances, U.S. Holders who are individuals may be entitled to preferential treatment for net long-term capital gains; however, the ability of U.S. Holders to offset capital losses against ordinary income is limited. Any gain recognized by a U.S. Holder on the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other taxable disposition of a Preference Share (other than, in the case of a U.S. Holder treated as a "U.S. Shareholder," any such gain characterized as a dividend, as discussed below) generally will be treated as from sources within the United States and loss so recognized generally will offset income from sources within the United States.

Initially, a U.S. Holder's tax basis for a Preference Share will equal the cost of such Preference Share to such U.S. Holder. Such basis will be increased by amounts taxable to such U.S. Holder by virtue

of a QEF election, or by virtue of the CFC rules, as applicable, and decreased by actual distributions from the Issuer that are deemed to consist of such previously taxed amounts or are treated as a nontaxable reduction to the U.S. Holder's tax basis for the Preference Share (as described above).

If a U.S. Holder does not make a timely QEF election as described above, any gain realized on the sale, exchange, redemption or other taxable disposition of a Preference Share (or any gain deemed to accrue prior to the time a non-timely QEF election is made) will be taxed as ordinary income and subject to an additional tax reflecting a deemed interest charge under the special tax rules described above. See "—Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company."

If the Issuer were treated as a CFC and a U.S. Holder were treated as a "U.S. Shareholder" therein, then any gain realized by such U.S. Holder upon the disposition of Preference Shares, other than gain constituting an excess distribution under the PFIC rules, if applicable, would be treated as ordinary income to the extent of the U.S. Holder's share of the current or accumulated earnings and profits of the Issuer. In this regard, earnings and profits would not include any amounts previously taxed pursuant to a timely QEF election or pursuant to the CFC rules.

### **Tax Treatment of Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders**

U.S. Holders which are tax-exempt entities ("**Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders**") will not be subject to the tax on unrelated business taxable income ("**UBTI**") with respect to interest and capital gains income derived from an investment in the Notes. However, a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder that also acquires the Preference Shares (or, any Note recharacterized as equity in the Issuer) should consider whether interest it receives in respect of the Notes may be treated as UBTI under rules governing certain payments received from controlled entities.

A Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder generally will not be subject to the tax on UBTI with respect to regular distributions or "excess distributions" (defined above under "Tax Treatment of U.S. Holders of Preference Shares—Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company") on the Preference Shares (or, any Note recharacterized as equity in the Issuer). A Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder which is not subject to tax on UBTI with respect to "excess distributions" may not make a QEF election. In addition, a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder which is subject to the rules relating to "controlled foreign corporations" with respect to the Preference Shares (or, any Note recharacterized as equity in the Issuer) generally should not be subject to the tax on UBTI with respect to income from such Preference Shares (or, any Note recharacterized as equity in the Issuer).

Notwithstanding the discussion in the preceding two paragraphs, a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder which incurs "acquisition indebtedness" (as defined in Section 514(c) of the Code) with respect to the Securities may be subject to the tax on UBTI with respect to income from the Securities to the extent that the Securities constitute "debt-financed property" (as defined in Section 514(b) of the Code) of the Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder. A Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder subject to the tax on UBTI with respect to income from the Preference Shares (or, any Note recharacterized as equity in the Issuer) will be taxed on "excess distributions" in the manner discussed above under "Tax Treatment of U.S. Holders of Preference Shares—Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company". Such a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder will be permitted, and should consider whether, to make a QEF election with respect to the Issuer as discussed above.

Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders should consult their own tax advisors regarding an investment in the Securities.

### **Transfer Reporting Requirements**

A U.S. Holder of Preference Shares (and, any Note recharacterized as equity in the Issuer) that owns (actually or constructively) at least 10% by vote or value of the Issuer (and each officer or director of the Issuer that is a U.S. citizen or resident) may be required to file an information return on IRS Form 5471. A U.S. Holder of Preference Shares (and, any Note recharacterized as equity in the Issuer) generally is required to provide additional information regarding the Issuer annually on IRS Form 5471 if it owns (actually or constructively) more than 50% by vote or value of the Issuer. U.S. Holders should consult their own tax advisors regarding whether they are required to file IRS Form 5471.

A U.S. person (including a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder) that purchases the Preference Shares for cash will be required to file a Form 926 or similar form with the IRS if (i) such person owned, directly or by attribution, immediately after the transfer at least 10% by vote or value of the Issuer or (ii) if the transfer, when aggregated with all transfers made by such person (or any related person) within the preceding 12 month period, exceeds \$100,000. In the event a U.S. Holder fails to file any such required form, the U.S. Holder could be required to pay a penalty equal to 10% of the gross amount paid for such Preference Shares (subject to a maximum penalty of \$100,000, except in cases involving intentional disregard). U.S. persons should consult their tax advisors with respect to this or any other reporting requirement which may apply with respect to their acquisition of the Preference Shares.

### **Tax Treatment of Combination Securities**

Each Combination Security will be evidenced as a single instrument that can be exchanged, subject to the restrictions described in "Description of the Securities—Exchanges of the Combination Securities" at the option of the Holder into instruments that represent each Component. Under U.S. federal income tax principles, a strong likelihood exists that a U.S. Holder of Combination Securities will be treated as if it directly owned the Preference Shares, the Class C Notes (solely with respect to the Class 1 Combination Securities) and the Class 2 Bond (solely with respect to the Class 2 Combination Securities) corresponding to the relevant Components of such Combination Security. The Issuer will treat, and each U.S. Holder and beneficial owner of Combination Securities (by acquiring such Combination Securities or interests therein) will agree to treat, the Combination Securities as consisting of the separate Class C Notes (solely with respect to the Class 1 Combination Securities), Class 2 Bond (solely with respect to the Class 2 Combination Securities) and Preference Shares corresponding to the Components of such Combination Security for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In accordance with such treatment of the Combination Securities, in calculating its tax basis in the Components comprising a Combination Security, a U.S. Holder will allocate the purchase price paid for such Combination Security among the Components in proportion to their relative fair market values at the time of purchase. A similar principle will apply in determining the amount allocable to the Components upon a sale of a Combination Security. The exchange of Combination Securities for the separate Class C Notes (solely with respect to the Class 1 Combination Securities), Class 2 Bond (solely with respect to the Class 2 Combination Securities) and Preference Shares corresponding to the Components of the Combination Securities should not be a taxable event. A U.S. Holder of a Combination Security should review the applicable discussion above with respect to the Class C Notes (solely with respect to the Class 1 Combination Securities), Class 2 Bond (solely with respect to the Class 2 Combination Securities) and Preference Shares relating to the U.S. federal income tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of such Class C Notes and Preference Shares and should refer to their own tax advisors with respect to the Class 2 Bond.

### **Tax Return Disclosure and Investor List Requirements**

Any person that files a U.S. federal income tax return or U.S. federal information return and participates in a "reportable transaction" in a taxable year is required to disclose certain information on IRS Form 8886 (or its successor form) attached to such person's U.S. tax return for such taxable year (and



also file a copy of such form with the IRS's Office of Tax Shelter Analysis) and to retain certain documents related to the transaction. In addition, under certain circumstances, certain organizers and sellers and advisors of a "reportable transaction" are required to file reports with the IRS and also will be required to maintain lists of participants in the transaction containing identifying information, retain certain documents related to the transaction, and furnish those lists and documents to the IRS upon request. Recently enacted legislation imposes significant penalties for failure to comply with these disclosure and list keeping requirements. The definition of "reportable transaction" is highly technical. However, in very general terms, a transaction may be a "reportable transaction" if, among other things, it is offered under conditions of confidentiality, it results in the claiming of a loss or losses for U.S. federal income tax purposes in excess of certain threshold amounts, or an item from the transaction is treated differently for U.S. federal income tax purposes and for book purposes (generally under U.S. generally accepted accounting principles).

In this regard, in order to prevent the investors' purchase of the Securities in this offering from being treated as offered under conditions of confidentiality, the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer and the Holders and beneficial owners of the Securities (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) may disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions described herein (including the ownership and disposition of the Securities) and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to them relating to such tax treatment and tax structure. For this purpose, the tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. federal, state and local tax treatment of the transaction, and the tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. federal, state or local tax treatment of the transaction.

If the Issuer participates in a "reportable transaction", a U.S. Holder of Preference Shares that is a "reporting shareholder" of the Issuer will be treated as participating in the transaction and will be subject to the rules described above. Although most of the Issuer's activities generally are not expected to give rise to "reportable transactions", the Issuer nevertheless may participate in certain types of transactions that could be treated as "reportable transactions." A U.S. Holder of Preference Shares will be treated as a "reporting shareholder" of the Issuer if (i) such U.S. Holder owns 10% or more of the Preference Shares and makes a QEF election with respect to the Issuer or (ii) the Issuer is treated as a CFC and such U.S. Holder is a "U.S. Shareholder" (as defined above) of the Issuer. The Issuer will make reasonable efforts to make such information available.

Prospective investors in the Securities should consult their own tax advisors concerning any possible disclosure obligations under these Treasury Regulations with respect to their ownership or disposition of the Securities in light of their particular circumstances.

### **Tax Treatment of Non-U.S. Holders of Securities**

In general, payments on the Securities to a Holder that is not, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a U.S. Holder (a "**non-U.S. Holder**") and gain realized on the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other disposition of the Securities by a non-U.S. Holder, will not be subject to U.S. federal income or withholding tax, unless (i) such income is effectively connected with a trade or business conducted by such non-U.S. Holder in the United States, or (ii) in the case of gain, such non-U.S. Holder is a nonresident alien individual who holds the Securities as a capital asset and is present in the United States for more than 182 days in the taxable year of the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other disposition and certain other conditions are satisfied.

### **Information Reporting and Backup Withholding**

Under certain circumstances, the Code requires "information reporting," and may require "backup withholding" with respect to certain payments made on the Securities and the payment of the proceeds

from the disposition of the Securities. Backup withholding generally will not apply to corporations, tax-exempt organizations, qualified pension and profit sharing trusts, and individual retirement accounts. Backup withholding will apply to a U.S. Holder if the U.S. Holder fails to provide certain identifying information (such as the U.S. Holder's taxpayer identification number) or otherwise comply with the applicable requirements of the backup withholding rules. The application for exemption from backup withholding for a U.S. Holder is available by providing a properly completed IRS Form W-9.

A non-U.S. Holder of the Securities generally will not be subject to these information reporting requirements or backup withholding with respect to payments of interest or distributions on the Securities if (1) it certifies to the Trustee its status as a non-U.S. Holder under penalties of perjury on the appropriate IRS Form W-8, and (2) in the case of a non-U.S. Holder that is a "nonwithholding foreign partnership," "foreign simple trust" or "foreign grantor trust" as defined in the applicable Treasury Regulations, the beneficial owners of such non-U.S. Holder also certify to the Trustee their status as non-U.S. persons under penalties of perjury on the appropriate IRS Form W-8 or as U.S. persons under penalties of perjury on IRS Form W-9.

The payments of the proceeds from the disposition of a Security by a non-U.S. Holder to or through the U.S. office of a broker generally will not be subject to information reporting and backup withholding if the non-U.S. Holder certifies its status as a non-U.S. Holder (and, if applicable, its beneficial owners also certify their status as non-U.S. Holders) under penalties of perjury on the appropriate IRS Form W-8, satisfies certain documentary evidence requirements for establishing that it is a non-U.S. Holder or otherwise establishes an exemption. The payment of the proceeds from the disposition of a Security by a non-U.S. Holder to or through a non-U.S. office of a non-U.S. broker will not be subject to backup withholding or information reporting unless the non-U.S. broker has certain specific types of relationships to the United States, in which case the treatment of such payment for such purposes will be as described in the following sentence. The payment of proceeds from the disposition of a Security by a non-U.S. Holder to or through a non-U.S. office of a U.S. broker or to or through a non-U.S. broker with certain specific types of relationships to the United States generally will not be subject to backup withholding but will be subject to information reporting unless the non-U.S. Holder certifies its status as a non-U.S. Holder (and, if applicable, its beneficial owners also certify their status as non-U.S. Holders) under penalties of perjury or the broker has certain documentary evidence in its files as to the non-U.S. Holder's foreign status and the broker has no actual knowledge to the contrary.

Backup withholding is not an additional tax and may be refunded (or credited against the U.S. Holder's or non-U.S. Holder's U.S. federal income tax liability, if any); *provided* that certain required information is furnished to the U.S. Internal Revenue Service. The information reporting requirements may apply regardless of whether withholding is required.

### **Cayman Islands Tax Considerations**

The following discussion of certain Cayman Islands income tax consequences of an investment in the Securities is based on the advice of Maples and Calder as to Cayman Islands law. The discussion is a general summary of present law, which is subject to prospective and retroactive change. It assumes that the Issuer will conduct its affairs in accordance with assumptions made by, and representations made to, counsel. It is not intended as tax advice, does not consider any investor's particular circumstances, and does not consider tax consequences other than those arising under Cayman Islands law.

Under existing Cayman Islands laws:

(i) payments of principal and interest on the Notes and dividends and capital in respect of the Preference Shares will not be subject to taxation in the Cayman Islands and no withholding will be required on such payments to any Holder of a Security and gains derived from the sale of Securities will not be subject to Cayman Islands income or corporation tax. The

Cayman Islands currently have no income, corporation or capital gains tax and no estate duty, inheritance tax or gift tax;

(ii) no stamp duty is payable in respect of the issue or transfer of Securities although duty may be payable if Notes are executed in or brought into the Cayman Islands; and

(iii) certificates evidencing Securities, in registered form, to which title is not transferable by delivery, should not attract Cayman Islands stamp duty. However, an instrument transferring title to a Note, if brought to or executed in the Cayman Islands, would be subject to Cayman Islands stamp duty.

The Issuer has been incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands as an exempted company and, as such, has applied for and obtained an undertaking from the Governor in Cabinet of the Cayman Islands in substantially the following form:

**"THE TAX CONCESSIONS LAW  
(1999 REVISION)  
UNDERTAKING AS TO TAX CONCESSIONS**

In accordance with Section 6 of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision) the Governor in Cabinet undertakes with:

Gleneagles CLO, Ltd. "the Company"

- (a) that no Law which is hereafter enacted in the Islands imposing any tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations shall apply to the Company or its operations; and
- (b) in addition, that no tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations or which is in the nature of estate duty or inheritance tax shall be payable
  - (i) on or in respect of the shares debentures or other obligations of the Company; or
  - (ii) by way of the withholding in whole or in part of any relevant payment as defined in Section 6(3) of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision).

These concessions shall be for a period of TWENTY years from the 8th day of March, 2005.

GOVERNOR IN CABINET"

The Cayman Islands does not have an income tax treaty arrangement with the U.S. or any other country.

THE PRECEDING DISCUSSION IS ONLY A SUMMARY OF CERTAIN OF THE TAX IMPLICATIONS OF AN INVESTMENT IN THE SECURITIES. PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS ARE URGED TO CONSULT WITH THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS PRIOR TO INVESTING TO DETERMINE THE TAX IMPLICATIONS OF SUCH INVESTMENT IN LIGHT OF SUCH INVESTORS' CIRCUMSTANCES.

**ERISA CONSIDERATIONS**

The advice below was not written and is not intended to be used and cannot be used by any taxpayer for purposes of avoiding United States federal income tax penalties that may be imposed. The advice is written to support the promotion or marketing of the transaction. Each taxpayer should seek advice based on the taxpayer's particular circumstances from an independent tax advisor.

The foregoing disclaimer is provided to satisfy obligations under Circular 230 governing standards of practice before the Internal Revenue Service.

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The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("**ERISA**"), imposes certain requirements on "employee benefit plans" (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) that are subject to ERISA, including entities such as collective investment funds and separate accounts whose underlying assets include the assets of such plans (collectively, "**ERISA Plans**") and on those persons who are fiduciaries with respect to ERISA Plans. Investments by ERISA Plans are subject to ERISA's general fiduciary requirements, including the requirement of investment prudence and diversification and the requirement that an ERISA Plan's investments be made in accordance with the documents governing the ERISA Plan. The prudence of a particular investment must be determined by the responsible fiduciary of an ERISA Plan by taking into account the ERISA Plan's particular circumstances and all of the facts and circumstances of the investment including, but not limited to, the matters discussed above under "Risk Factors" and the fact that in the future there may be no market in which such fiduciary will be able to sell or otherwise dispose of the Securities.

Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code prohibit certain transactions involving the assets of an ERISA Plan (as well as those plans that are not subject to ERISA but which are subject to Section 4975 of the Code, such as individual retirement accounts (together with ERISA Plans, "**Plans**")) and certain persons (referred to as "parties in interest" or "disqualified persons") having certain relationships to such Plans, unless a statutory or administrative exemption is applicable to the transaction. A party in interest or disqualified person who engages in a prohibited transaction may be subject to excise taxes and other penalties and liabilities under ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code.

Governmental, church, non-U.S. and certain other plans, while not subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA or the provisions of Section 4975 of the Code, may nevertheless be subject to state, local, federal or non-U.S. laws that are substantially similar to the foregoing provisions of ERISA and the Code. Fiduciaries of any such plans should consult with their counsel before purchasing any Notes.

The United States Department of Labor has promulgated regulations, 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 (the "**Plan Asset Regulations**"), describing what constitutes the assets of a Plan with respect to the Plan's investment in an entity for purposes of certain provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code, including the fiduciary responsibility provisions of Title I of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code. Under the Plan Asset Regulations, if a Plan invests in an "equity interest" of an entity that is neither a "publicly offered security" nor a security issued by an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act, the Plan's assets include both the equity interest and an undivided interest in each of the entity's underlying assets, unless it is established that the entity is an "operating company" or, as further discussed below, that equity participation in the entity by "benefit plan investors" is not "significant."

Prohibited transactions within the meaning of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code may arise if Securities are acquired with the assets of a Plan with respect to which the Co-Issuers, the Placement Agent, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, any seller of Collateral Obligations to the Issuer or any of their respective affiliates, is a party in interest or a disqualified person. Certain exemptions from

the prohibited transaction provisions of Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code may be applicable, however, depending in part on the type of Plan fiduciary making the decision to acquire a Security and the circumstances under which such decision is made. Included among these exemptions are Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption ("**PTCE**") 84-14 (relating to transactions effected by a "qualified professional asset manager"), PTCE 90-1 (relating to investments by insurance company pooled separate accounts), PTCE 91-38 (relating to investments by bank collective investment funds), PTCE 95-60 (relating to investments by insurance company general accounts), and PTCE 96-23 (relating to transactions effected by "in-house asset managers") ("**Investor-Based Exemptions**"). There can be no assurance that any of these Investor-Based Exemptions or any other exemption will be available with respect to any particular transaction involving the Securities.

Any insurance company proposing to invest assets of its general account in Securities should consider the extent to which such investment would be subject to the requirements of Title I of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code in light of the United States Supreme Court's decision in *John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co. v. Harris Trust and Savings Bank*, 510 U.S. 86 (1993), and the enactment of Section 401(c) of ERISA on August 20, 1996. In particular, such an insurance company should consider (i) the exemptive relief granted by the United States Department of Labor for transactions involving insurance company general accounts in PTCE 95-60, and (ii) if such exemptive relief is not available, whether its purchase of Securities will be permissible under the final regulations issued under Section 401(c) of ERISA. The final regulations provide guidance on which assets held by an insurance company constitute "plan assets" for purposes of the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code. The regulations do not exempt the assets of insurance company general accounts from treatment as "plan assets" to the extent they support certain participating annuities issued to Plans after December 31, 1998.

## The Notes

The Plan Asset Regulations define an "equity interest" as any interest in an entity other than an instrument that is treated as indebtedness under applicable local law and which has no substantial equity features. As noted above in Income Tax Considerations, it is the opinion of tax counsel to the Issuer that the Notes will be treated as debt for U.S. income tax purposes. Although there is little guidance on the subject, at the time of their issuance, the Notes should be treated as indebtedness without substantial equity features for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulations. This determination is based in part upon (i) tax counsel's opinion that the Notes will be classified as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes when issued and (ii) the traditional debt features of the Notes, including the reasonable expectation of purchasers of the Notes that they will be repaid when due, as well as the absence of conversion rights, warrants and other typical equity features. Based upon and subject to the foregoing and other considerations, and subject to the considerations described below, the Notes may be purchased by a Plan. Nevertheless, without regard to whether the Notes are considered equity interests, prohibited transactions within the meaning of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code may arise if the Notes are acquired with the assets of an ERISA Plan with respect to which the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agent or the Trustee or, in certain circumstances, any of their respective affiliates, is a party in interest or a disqualified person. The Investor-Based Exemptions may be available to exempt such prohibited transactions.

By its purchase of any Notes, each purchaser and subsequent transferee thereof will be deemed to have represented and warranted either that (a) it is neither a Plan nor any entity whose underlying assets include "plan assets" (within the meaning of the Plan Asset Regulations) by reason of such Plan's investment in the entity, nor a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan which is subject to any federal, state, local or non-U.S. law that is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or (b) its purchase, holding and disposition of a Note will not constitute or result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or any similar

federal, state, local or non-U.S. law applicable to any governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan, as applicable, for which no exemption is available, all of the conditions of which are satisfied.

### **The Preference Shares and the Combination Securities**

Equity participation in the Issuer by "benefit plan investors" is "significant" and will cause the assets of the Issuer to be deemed the assets of an investing Plan (in the absence of another applicable Plan Asset Regulations exception) if 25% or more of the value of any class of equity interests in the Issuer is held by "benefit plan investors." The term "benefit plan investor" includes (a) an employee benefit plan (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA), whether or not it is subject to the provisions of ERISA, (b) a plan as defined in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code, whether or not it is subject to Section 4975 of the Code, and (c) any entity whose underlying assets include "plan assets" (within the meaning of the Plan Asset Regulations) by reason of any such employee benefit plan's or plan's investment in the entity (collectively "**Benefit Plan Investors**"). For purposes of making the 25% determination, the value of any equity interests held by a person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) who has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or any person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to such assets, or any affiliate of such a person ("**Controlling Person**"), is disregarded. Under the Plan Asset Regulations, an "affiliate" of a person includes any person, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controlling, controlled by or under common control with the person, and "control" with respect to a person other than an individual, means the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of such person. The Preference Shares and the Combination Securities are considered equity investments for the purposes of applying Title I of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code. Accordingly, purchases of Preference Shares and Combination Securities by Benefit Plan Investors from the Issuer in the offering and any subsequent purchases will be limited to less than 25% of (i) the value of all outstanding Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Component of the Combination Securities), (ii) the value of all outstanding Class 1 Combination Securities, and (iii) the value of all outstanding Class 2 Combination Securities, in each case by requiring each such purchaser to make or be deemed to make certain representations and/or to agree to certain transfer restrictions as described below and herein. Preference Shares and Combination Securities either (i) held as principal by the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agent, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, any of their respective affiliates, employees of the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agent, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, or any of their affiliates and any charitable foundation of any such employees (other than any of such interests held as a Benefit Plan Investor), or (ii) held by persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons (to the extent that such a Controlling Person is not a Benefit Plan Investor) will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% limitation.

With respect to Preference Shares sold in the form of Certificated Preference Shares, a purchaser will be required to represent and warrant (1) whether or not the purchaser is a Benefit Plan Investor and (2) whether or not the purchaser is a Controlling Person.

With respect to the purchase of a beneficial interest in the Preference Shares in the form of a Regulation S Global Preference Share or the Combination Securities in the form of a U.S. Certificated Security or a Regulation S Global Security from the Issuer in the offering, a purchaser will be required to represent and warrant that the purchaser is not a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person. Each purchaser or subsequent transferee of a beneficial interest in the Preference Shares in the form of a Regulation S Global Preference Share or the Combination Securities in the form of a U.S. Certificated Security or a Regulation S Global Security purchased from any person other than the Issuer will be deemed to represent and warrant that the purchaser or transferee, as the case may be, from the date on which it acquires its interest in such Preference Shares or Combination Securities through and including the date on which such purchaser or transferee disposes of its interest in such Preference Shares or Combination Securities, is not a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person.

There can be no assurance that, despite the transfer restrictions relating to purchases by Benefit Plan Investors and Controlling Persons and the procedures employed by the Trustee to attempt to limit the ownership by Benefit Plan Investors of the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components of the Combination Securities) and the Combination Securities to less than 25% of the value of each such Class of Securities, Benefit Plan Investors will not actually own 25% or more of any such Class of Securities (excluding in each case Preference Shares or Combination Securities owned by Controlling Persons).

If for any reason the assets of the Issuer are deemed to be "plan assets" of a Plan subject to ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code because one or more Plans is an owner of Preference Shares or Combination Securities (or of a Co-Issued Note characterized as an "equity interest" in the Issuer), certain transactions that the Portfolio Manager might enter into, or may have entered into, on behalf of the Issuer in the ordinary course of its business might constitute non-exempt prohibited transactions under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code and might have to be rescinded at significant cost to the Issuer. The Portfolio Manager could be deemed to be an ERISA fiduciary and may be prevented from engaging in certain investments (as not being deemed consistent with the ERISA prudent investment standards) or engaging in certain transactions or fee arrangements because they might be deemed to cause non-exempt prohibited transactions. It also is not clear that Section 403(a) of ERISA, which generally requires that all of the assets of an ERISA Plan be held in trust and limits delegation of investment management responsibilities by fiduciaries of ERISA Plans, would be satisfied. In addition, it is unclear whether Section 404(b) of ERISA, which generally provides that no fiduciary may maintain the indicia of ownership of any assets of a plan outside the jurisdiction of the district courts of the United States, would be satisfied or any of the exceptions to the requirement set forth in 29 C.F.R. Section 2550.404b-1 would be available.

Any fiduciary that proposes to cause a Benefit Plan Investor to purchase any Securities should consult with its counsel to confirm that such investment will not constitute or result in a prohibited transaction or any other violation of an applicable requirement of ERISA or the Code or any substantially similar law.

The sale of any Securities to a Benefit Plan Investor is in no respect a representation by the Issuer, the Placement Agent, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Portfolio Manager that such an investment meets all relevant legal requirements with respect to investments by Benefit Plan Investors generally or any particular Benefit Plan Investor, or that such an investment is appropriate for Benefit Plan Investors generally or any particular Benefit Plan Investor.

### PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

Pursuant to a Private Placement Agency Agreement dated as of the Closing Date (the "**Placement Agency Agreement**"), Banc of America Securities LLC, located at 9 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street, New York, New York, 10019, Attention: Structured Securities Group, (in such capacity, the "**Placement Agent**") (directly or through an international affiliate) has agreed to use its reasonable best efforts to sell on behalf of the Issuer, subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions, the Securities pursuant to the Placement Agency Agreement. The Securities will be initially offered at 100% of their principal or face amount or at such other prices as may be negotiated at the time of sale.

The Co-Issuers have been advised by the Placement Agent that the Placement Agent proposes to arrange the sale of the Securities to certain non-U.S. persons in Offshore Transactions in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act and to Accredited Investors who are also Qualified Purchasers in transactions exempt under Section 4(2) of the Securities Act. Any offer or sale of Securities made in the United States will be made by broker-dealers, including certain affiliates of the Placement Agent, which are registered as broker-dealers under the Exchange Act. Pursuant to the Placement Agency Agreement, the Placement Agent will be entitled to a placement fee from the Issuer for placing the Securities. The

Placement Agent may allow a concession, not in excess of the selling concession, to certain brokers or dealers.

To facilitate the closing of sales arranged by the Placement Agent as described above, the Placement Agent may initially purchase all or a portion of any Class of Securities for the purpose of effecting a resale of such Securities in connection with the offering. In addition, the Placement Agent may, but is not obligated to, purchase a portion of any Class of Securities on the Closing Date for its own account or that of any of its respective affiliates. See "Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Placement Agent."

The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act and may not be offered, sold or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, a U.S. Person except to Accredited Investors who are also Qualified Purchasers in transactions exempt under Section 4(2) of the Securities Act.

The Placement Agent has agreed that it will not offer, sell or deliver any Securities, within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. Persons except to Accredited Investors who are also Qualified Purchasers. In addition, an offer or sale of Securities within the United States by a dealer (whether or not participating in the offering) may violate the registration requirements of the Securities Act if the offer or sale is made otherwise than pursuant Section 4(2) of the Securities Act. Resales of the Securities offered in reliance on Section 4(2) of the Securities Act are restricted as described under "Transfer Restrictions" herein. As used in this paragraph, the terms "United States" and "U.S." have the meanings given to them by Regulation S under the Securities Act.

#### *United Kingdom*

The Placement Agent has agreed that (A) it has only communicated or cause to be communicated, and will only communicate or cause to be communicated, an invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of Section 21 of the FSMA) received by it in connection with the issue or sale of any Securities in circumstances in which Section 21(1) of the FSMA does not apply to the Issuer and (B) it has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA with respect to anything done by it in relation to the Securities in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom.

#### *France*

The Issuer and the Placement Agent have represented and agreed that, in connection with their initial distribution, none of them has (a) offered or sold or will offer or sell, directly or indirectly, any Securities to the public in the Republic of France or (b) distributed or caused to be distributed or will distribute or cause to be distributed in the Republic of France this Offering Memorandum or any other offering material relating to the Securities. Such offers, sales and distributions have been and shall only be made in the Republic of France to (i) qualified investors (*investisseurs qualifiés*) and/or (ii) a restricted group of investors (*cercle restreint d'investisseurs*) each acting for their own account, all as defined in Article 6 of *ordonnance* n° 67-833 dated 28 September 1967 (as amended) and *décret* n° 98-880 dated 1 October 1998.

Investors in the Republic of France may only participate in the issue of the Securities for their own account in accordance with the conditions set out in *décret* n° 98-880 dated 1 October 1998. Securities may only be issued, directly or indirectly, to the public in France in accordance with Articles 6 and 7 of *ordonnance* n° 67-833 dated 28 September 1967 (as amended). Where an issue of Securities is made as an exception to the rules relating to an *appel public à l'épargne* in France (public offer rules) by way of an offer to a restricted group of investors, such investors must provide certification as to their personal, professional or family relationship with a member of the management of the Issuer. Such certification is not required where an issue of Securities is effected as an exception to such rules by way



of an offer to qualified investors. Persons into whose possession offering material comes must inform themselves about and observe any such restrictions.

*Federal Republic of Germany*

The Placement Agent has confirmed that it is aware of the fact that no German selling prospectus (*verkaufsprospekt*) has been or will be *published* in respect of the offering and that it will comply with the Prospectus Act of the Federal Republic of Germany (*Wertpapier- Verkaufsprospektgesetz*). In particular the Placement Agent has undertaken not to engage in public offering (*öffentliche anbieten*) or other selling activities in the Federal Republic of Germany with respect to any Securities issued under the offering otherwise than in accordance with the Prospectus Act and any other act replacing or supplementing the Prospectus Act and all other applicable laws and regulations.

*Bermuda*

UNDER BERMUDA LAW IT IS NOT NECESSARY TO PUBLISH OR FILE A PROSPECTUS IN RESPECT OF THE OFFERING BY VIRTUE OF SECTION 26 (1A) OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1981 (THE "**COMPANIES ACT**"). ACCORDINGLY, THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAS NOT BEEN FILED UNDER THE COMPANIES ACT.

The Co-Issuers and the Portfolio Manager extend to each prospective investor the opportunity, to ask questions of, and receive answers from, the Co-Issuers and the Portfolio Manager concerning the Securities and the terms and conditions of this offering and to obtain any additional information it may consider necessary in making an informed investment decision and any information in order to verify the accuracy of the information set forth herein, to the extent the Co-Issuers or the Portfolio Manager possesses the same. Requests for such additional information can be directed to Banc of America Securities LLC, 9 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street, New York, NY 10019, Attention: Structured Securities Group.

No action is being taken or is contemplated by the Co-Issuers that would permit a public offering of the Securities or possession or distribution of any offering memorandum (in preliminary or final form) or any amendment thereof, any supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Securities in any jurisdiction where, or in any other circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. The Placement Agent understands and agrees that they are solely responsible for their own compliance with all laws applicable in each jurisdiction in which they offer and sell Securities or distribute any offering memorandum (in preliminary or final form) or any amendments thereof or supplements thereto or any other material, and it agrees to comply with all these laws.

The Co-Issuers have agreed to indemnify the Placement Agent against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, or to contribute to payments they may be required to make in respect thereof.

Certain of the Collateral Obligations will have been originally underwritten, originated or placed by the Placement Agent or certain of its affiliates. In addition, the Placement Agent and its affiliates may have in the past and may in the future perform investment banking services, commercial banking services or other services for obligors of the Collateral Obligations.

In addition, the Placement Agent or any of its affiliates may from time to time, as a principal or through one or more investment funds that they manage, make investments in the equity securities of one or more of the obligors of Collateral Obligations with the result that one or more of such obligors may be or may become controlled by the Placement Agent or any of its affiliates.

An affiliate of the Placement Agent provided warehouse lending to the Issuer to enable it to acquire Collateral Obligations prior to the Closing Date and will be repaid out of the proceeds of the sale

of the Securities. None of Banc of America Securities LLC, any of its affiliates will select any of the Collateral Obligations to be purchased by the Issuer.

## SETTLEMENT AND CLEARING

### **Book Entry Registration of the Global Securities**

So long as the Depository, or its nominee, is the registered owner or Holder of a Global Security, the Depository or the nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the sole owner or Holder of the Notes, the Combination Securities or the Preference Shares represented by a Global Security for all purposes under the Indenture, the Issuer Charter, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the Global Securities, and members of, or participants in, the Depository as well as any other persons on whose behalf the participants may act (including Clearstream and Euroclear and account holders and participants therein) will have no rights under the Indenture, the Issuer Charter, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement or a Global Security. Owners of beneficial interests in a Global Security will not be considered to be owners or Holders of the related Note, Combination Security or Preference Share under the Indenture, the Issuer Charter or the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. Unless the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers (or, with respect to the Preference Shares, the Issuer) that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for a Global Security or ceases to be a "clearing agency" registered under the Exchange Act, owners of a beneficial interest in a Global Security will not be entitled to have any portion of a Global Security registered in their names, will not receive or be entitled to receive physical delivery of Notes or Preference Shares in certificated form and will not be considered to be the owners or Holders of any Notes, Combination Securities or Preference Shares under the Indenture or the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. In addition, no beneficial owner of an interest in a Global Security will be able to transfer that interest except in accordance with the Depository's applicable procedures (in addition to those under the Indenture, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and, if applicable, those of Euroclear and Clearstream).

Investors may hold their interests in a Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Preference Share directly through Clearstream or Euroclear, if they are participants in Clearstream or Euroclear, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in Clearstream or Euroclear. Clearstream and Euroclear will hold interests in the Regulation S Global Securities and Regulation S Global Preference Shares on behalf of their participants through their respective depositories, which in turn will hold the interests in Regulation S Global Securities and Regulation S Global Securities in customers' securities accounts in the depositories' names on the books of the Depository. Investors may hold their interests in a Rule 144A Global Note directly through the Depository if they are participants in the Depository, or in directly through organizations that are participants in the Depository.

Payments of principal of, or interest or other distributions on a Global Security will be made to the Depository or its nominee, as the registered owner thereof. The Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the paying agents, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager and their respective Affiliates will not have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests in a Global Security or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to the beneficial ownership interests.

The Co-Issuers expect that the Depository or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment of principal, interest, or other distributions in respect of a Global Security representing any Notes, Combination Securities or Preference Shares, as the case may be, held by it or its nominee, will immediately credit participants' accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the stated aggregate principal amount or number of a Global Security for the Notes, Combination Securities or Preference Shares, as the case may be, as shown on the records of the Depository or its nominee. The Co-Issuers also expect that payments by participants to owners of beneficial interests in a Global Security held through the participants will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers registered in the names of nominees for those customers. The payments will be the responsibility of the participants.

## Global Security Settlement Procedures

Transfers between the participants in the Depository will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with the Depository rules and will be settled in immediately available funds. The laws of some states require that certain persons take physical delivery of securities in definitive form. Consequently, the ability to transfer beneficial interests in a Global Security to these persons may be limited. Because the Depository can only act on behalf of participants, who in turn act on behalf of indirect participants and certain banks, the ability of a person holding a beneficial interest in a Global Security to pledge its interest to persons or entities that do not participate in the Depository system, or otherwise take actions in respect of its interest, may be affected by the lack of a physical certificate of the interest. Transfers between participants in Euroclear and Clearstream will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with their respective rules and operating procedures.

Subject to compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Securities described above and under "Transfer Restrictions," cross-market transfers between the Depository, on the one hand, and directly or indirectly through Euroclear or Clearstream participants, on the other, will be effected in the Depository in accordance with the Depository rules on behalf of Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, by its respective depository; *however*, the cross-market transactions will require delivery of instructions to Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, by the counterparty in the system in accordance with its rules and procedures and within its established deadlines (Brussels time). Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, will if the transaction meets its settlement requirements, deliver instructions to its respective depository to take action to effect final settlement on its behalf by delivering or receiving interests in a Note, Combination Security or Preference Share, as the case may be, represented by a Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Preference Share in the Depository and making or receiving payment in accordance with normal procedures for same-day funds settlement applicable to the Depository. Clearstream participants and Euroclear participants may not deliver instructions directly to the depositories of Clearstream or Euroclear.

Because of time zone differences, cash received in Euroclear or Clearstream as a result of sales of interests in a Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Preference Share by or through a Euroclear or Clearstream participant to the Depository participant will be received with value on the Depository settlement date but will be available in the relevant Euroclear or Clearstream cash account only as of the business day following settlement in the Depository.

The Depository has advised the Issuer that it will take any action permitted to be taken by a Holder of Securities (including the presentation of Securities for exchange as described above) only at the direction of one or more participants in the Depository to whose account with the Depository interests in the Securities are credited and only in respect of the portion of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities as to which the participant or participants has or have given the direction.

The Depository has advised the Issuer as follows: The Depository is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the UCC and a "Clearing Agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. The Depository was created to hold securities for its participants and facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of its participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates. Participants in the Depository include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations and may include certain other organizations. Indirect access to the Depository system is available to others such as banks, brokers, dealers, and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a participant, either directly or indirectly.

Although the Depository, Clearstream and Euroclear have agreed to the foregoing procedures to facilitate transfers of interests in Regulation S Global Securities and Regulation S Global Preference Shares among participants of the Depository, Clearstream and Euroclear, they are under no obligation to perform or continue to perform the procedures, and the procedures may be discontinued at any time. Neither the Co-Issuers nor the Trustee will have any responsibility for the performance by the Depository, Clearstream, or Euroclear or their respective participants or indirect participants of their respective obligations under the rules and procedures governing their operations.

## **TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS**

**Because of the following restrictions, purchasers are advised to consult legal counsel prior to making any offer, resale, pledge or transfer of the Securities.**

### **Rule 144A Global Notes, Regulation S Global Securities and Certificated Securities**

Each initial purchaser of Notes or Combination Securities that purchases such Securities directly from the Issuer will be required to enter into a Subscription Agreement with the Issuer pursuant to which such purchaser will be required to represent and agree, and each subsequent purchaser of Securities will be required to represent and agree (or, in the case of a subsequent purchaser of Global Securities, will be deemed to represent and agree) as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A or Regulation S under the Securities Act, as applicable, are used herein as defined therein):

(1) The purchaser either (i)(A) is an Accredited Investor who is also (x) a Qualified Purchaser or (y) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, (B) is aware that the initial sale of the Notes to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Section 4(2) under the Securities Act and (C) is acquiring the Securities for its own account or for one or more accounts, each of which is an Accredited Investor and a Qualified Purchaser, and as to each of which the purchaser exercises sole investment discretion, and in a minimum denomination of not less than U.S.\$500,000 principal amount (in the case of the Notes), U.S.\$1,250,000 principal amount (in the case of the Class 1 Combination Securities) or U.S.\$1,000,000 principal amount (in the case of the Class 2 Combination Securities) (or such lesser amount as may be permitted by the Indenture) for the purchaser and for each such account, or (ii) is not a U.S. person and is purchasing the Securities pursuant to Rule 903 or 904 of Regulation S. If the purchaser (or any such account) is within clause (i) and purchasing its interest in the form of a Rule 144A Global Note, it is not a broker-dealer who owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than U.S.\$25 million and it is not a participant-directed employee plan, such as a 401(k) plan. The purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in the Securities, and the purchaser and any accounts for which it is acting are each able to bear the economic risk of the purchaser's or its investment. The purchaser understands that in the event that at any time the Issuer or the Trustee determines that such purchaser was in breach, at the time given, of any of the representations or agreements set forth in this paragraph (1), the Trustee may consider the acquisition of the related Securities void and require that the related Securities be transferred to a person designated by the Issuer.

(2) The purchaser understands that the Securities are being offered only in transactions not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act. The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Securities, such Securities may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the legend on such Securities described below. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Co-Issuers or the Placement Agent as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or any state securities laws for resale of the Securities.

(3) The purchaser is not purchasing the Securities with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that an investment

in the Securities involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of all or a substantial part of its investment under certain circumstances. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Co-Issuers and the Securities as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Securities, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Co-Issuers and the Portfolio Manager.

(4) In connection with the purchase of the Securities (provided that no such representations are made with respect to the Portfolio Manager by any Affiliate of or account managed by the Portfolio Manager): (i) none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Collateral Administrator, the Trustee (except to the extent of its capacity as indenture trustee under the Indenture), the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Administrator, the Share Trustee or any Hedge Counterparty is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment advisor for the purchaser; (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Collateral Administrator, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Administrator, the Share Trustee or any Hedge Counterparty other than, in the case of the Issuer, in a current offering memorandum for such Securities and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Collateral Administrator, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Administrator, the Share Trustee or any Hedge Counterparty has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other person) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance, result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting or otherwise) of its purchase; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial, and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the Indenture) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Collateral Administrator, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Administrator, the Share Trustee or any Hedge Counterparty; and (v) the purchaser is purchasing the Securities with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks.

(5) Neither the purchaser nor any account for which the purchaser is acquiring Securities was formed for the purpose of acquiring any Securities (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser and each such account is a Qualified Purchaser or unless the Issuer in its sole discretion and with the advice of counsel in respect of U.S. securities laws, expressly otherwise permits). The purchaser and each such account for which the purchaser is acquiring Securities agrees that it will not hold such Securities for the benefit of any other person and will be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it will not sell participations in the Securities or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other person will be entitled to a beneficial interest in the distributions on Securities (except when any such other person is a Qualified Purchaser or unless the Issuer in its sole discretion and with the advice of counsel in respect of U.S. securities laws, expressly otherwise permits). The purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Securities to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this clause (5) will be null and void *ab initio* and will vest in the transferee no rights against the Trustee or the Co-Issuers. The purchaser understands that in the event that at any time the Issuer or the Trustee determines that such purchaser was in breach, at the time given, of any of the representations or agreements set forth in paragraph (1) above, the Trustee may consider the acquisition of the related Securities void and require that the related Securities be transferred to a person designated by the Issuer.

(6) The purchaser understands and agrees that, in conjunction with any transfer of the Securities to a transferee taking an interest in the form of a Certificated Security, the Trustee will not

permit a transfer of such Securities without obtaining from the transferor and the transferee a certificate substantially in the applicable form provided in the Indenture.

(7) The purchaser understands that the Securities will bear the legend set forth below. The Securities may not at any time be resold, pledged or transferred to U.S. Persons that are not (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers or (ii) solely in the case of Securities with respect to which the transferee will hold its interest therein in the form of Certificated Securities, Accredited Investors, who in each case are also (x) Qualified Purchasers or (y) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers. The purchaser must inform a prospective transferee of the transfer restrictions. Before any interest in a Regulation S Global Security may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of a Rule 144A Global Note or a Certificated Security, before any interest in a Rule 144A Global Note or a Certificated Security may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of a Regulation S Global Security, and before any interest in a Note or Combination Security may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of a Certificated Security, the transferor and the transferee will, in each case, be required to provide the Trustee and the Issuer with a written certification in the form provided in the Indenture as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

(8) The Notes will bear a legend to the following effect unless the Co-Issuers determine otherwise in compliance with applicable law:

THIS NOTE HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), AND NEITHER THE ISSUER NOR THE CO-ISSUER HAS BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE "1940 ACT"). THIS NOTE MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A)(1) TO A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT (A "QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER") PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN U.S.\$500,000 FOR THE PURCHASER AND FOR EACH SUCH ACCOUNT, IN A TRANSACTION (EXCEPT THE INITIAL SALE BY THE ISSUER) MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THIS NOTE IS ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE PURSUANT TO RULE 144A SUBJECT TO THE SATISFACTION OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS SPECIFIED IN THE INDENTURE REFERRED TO BELOW, OR (2) SOLELY IN THE CASE OF ANY NOTES WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THE TRANSFEEE WILL HOLD ITS INTEREST IN THE FORM OF CERTIFICATED NOTES, TO AN ACCREDITED INVESTOR (AS DEFINED IN REGULATION D UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT), IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN U.S.\$500,000 IN A TRANSACTION EXEMPT FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, SUBJECT TO THE SATISFACTION OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS SPECIFIED IN THE INDENTURE REFERRED TO BELOW, OR (3) TO A NON-U.S. PERSON IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 (AS APPLICABLE) OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, WHO IN THE CASE OF THE FOREGOING CLAUSES (A)(1) AND (2), IS ALSO (X) A QUALIFIED PURCHASER FOR PURPOSES OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE 1940 ACT (A "QUALIFIED PURCHASER"), AND (B) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. IN THE CASE OF CLAUSES (A)(1) AND (2) ABOVE, AS APPLICABLE, THE PURCHASER AGREES THAT IT AND EACH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH SUCH PURCHASER IS ACTING (X) WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE CO-ISSUERS (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER AND EACH SUCH ACCOUNT IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE 1940 ACT), (Y) HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER OR SUCH ACCOUNT IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, AND (Z) IN THE

CASE OF A PURCHASER OR AN ACCOUNT FOR WHICH SUCH PURCHASER IS ACTING ACQUIRING A BENEFICIAL INTEREST IN A RULE 144A GLOBAL NOTE, IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN U.S.\$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS AND IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS, AS APPLICABLE, MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENTS TO BE MADE.

ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID AB INITIO, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IF AT ANY TIME, THE ISSUER DETERMINES OR IS NOTIFIED THAT THE HOLDER OF SUCH BENEFICIAL INTEREST IN SUCH NOTE WAS IN BREACH, AT THE TIME GIVEN, OF ANY OF THE REPRESENTATIONS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE, THE TRUSTEE MAY CONSIDER THE ACQUISITION OF THIS NOTE OR SUCH INTEREST IN SUCH NOTE VOID AND REQUIRE THAT THIS NOTE OR SUCH INTEREST HEREIN BE TRANSFERRED TO A PERSON DESIGNATED BY THE ISSUER.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE CO-ISSUERS, THE TRUSTEE AND ANY PAYING AGENT, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) SHALL RESULT IN U.S. FEDERAL BACK-UP WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THIS NOTE.

THE ACQUISITION OF THIS NOTE BY, OR ON BEHALF OF, OR WITH THE ASSETS OF ANY "EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN" SUBJECT TO THE FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITY PROVISIONS OF THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA"), OR ANY "PLAN" SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE"), OR ANY ENTITY PART OR ALL OF THE ASSETS OF WHICH CONSTITUTE ASSETS OF ANY SUCH EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN OR PLAN BY REASON OF UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR REGULATION SECTION 2510.3-101 OR OTHERWISE, OR ANY GOVERNMENTAL, CHURCH OR OTHER PLAN SUBJECT TO FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL OR NON-U.S. LAW SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITY PROVISIONS OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE IS PROHIBITED UNLESS SUCH PURCHASE, HOLDING AND SUBSEQUENT DISPOSITION WOULD NOT RESULT IN ANY NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR UNDER SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE (OR IN THE CASE OF A GOVERNMENTAL, CHURCH OR OTHER PLAN, ANY SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL OR NON-U.S. LAW).

The Combination Securities will bear a legend to the following effect unless the Issuer determines otherwise in compliance with applicable law:

THIS COMBINATION SECURITY HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), AND NEITHER THE ISSUER NOR THE CO-ISSUER HAS BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE "1940 ACT"). THIS COMBINATION SECURITY MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR



OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A)(1) TO A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT (A "QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER") PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN U.S.\$[1,250,000]<sup>1</sup>/[1,000,000]<sup>2</sup> FOR THE PURCHASER AND FOR EACH SUCH ACCOUNT, IN A TRANSACTION (EXCEPT THE INITIAL SALE BY THE ISSUER) MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THIS COMBINATION SECURITY IS ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE PURSUANT TO RULE 144A SUBJECT TO THE SATISFACTION OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS SPECIFIED IN THE INDENTURE REFERRED TO BELOW, OR (2) SOLELY IN THE CASE OF ANY COMBINATION SECURITIES WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THE TRANSFEREE WILL HOLD ITS INTEREST IN THE FORM OF CERTIFICATED COMBINATION SECURITIES, TO AN ACCREDITED INVESTOR (AS DEFINED IN REGULATION D UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT), IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN U.S.\$[1,250,000]<sup>3</sup>/[1,000,000]<sup>4</sup> IN A TRANSACTION EXEMPT FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, SUBJECT TO THE SATISFACTION OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS SPECIFIED IN THE INDENTURE REFERRED TO BELOW, OR (3) TO A NON-U.S. PERSON IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 (AS APPLICABLE) OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, WHO IN THE CASE OF THE FOREGOING CLAUSES (A)(1) AND (2), IS ALSO (X) A QUALIFIED PURCHASER FOR PURPOSES OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE 1940 ACT (A "QUALIFIED PURCHASER"), AND (B) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. IN THE CASE OF CLAUSES (A)(1) AND (2) ABOVE, AS APPLICABLE, THE PURCHASER AGREES THAT IT AND EACH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH SUCH PURCHASER IS ACTING (X) WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE CO-ISSUERS (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER AND EACH SUCH ACCOUNT IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE 1940 ACT) AND (Y) HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER OR SUCH ACCOUNT IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996.

ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID AB INITIO, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IF AT ANY TIME, THE ISSUER DETERMINES OR IS NOTIFIED THAT THE HOLDER OF SUCH BENEFICIAL INTEREST IN SUCH COMBINATION SECURITY WAS IN BREACH, AT THE TIME GIVEN, OF ANY OF THE REPRESENTATIONS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE, THE TRUSTEE MAY CONSIDER THE ACQUISITION OF THIS COMBINATION SECURITY OR SUCH INTEREST IN SUCH COMBINATION SECURITY VOID AND REQUIRE THAT THIS COMBINATION SECURITY OR SUCH INTEREST HEREIN BE TRANSFERRED TO A PERSON DESIGNATED BY THE ISSUER.

BY ITS PURCHASE OR HOLDING OF A COMBINATION SECURITY OR ANY INTEREST THEREIN, THE HOLDER OF THIS COMBINATION SECURITY AND EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE REPRESENTED AND WARRANTED (OR, IN THE CASE OF A PURCHASE OF COMBINATION SECURITIES ON THE CLOSING DATE, WILL BE REQUIRED TO REPRESENT AND WARRANT) THAT, AT THE TIME OF ITS ACQUISITION, AND THROUGHOUT THE PERIOD THAT IT HOLDS SUCH COMBINATION SECURITY, OR INTEREST THEREIN, THAT (1) IT IS NOT A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR CONTROLLING

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<sup>1</sup> Insert for Class 1 Combination Securities.

<sup>2</sup> Insert for Class 2 Combination Securities.

<sup>3</sup> Insert for Class 1 Combination Securities.

<sup>4</sup> Insert for Class 2 Combination Securities.

PERSON WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE PLAN ASSETS REGULATION SET FORTH AT 29 C.F.R. SECTION 2510.3-101; AND (2) IF AFTER ITS INITIAL ACQUISITION OF A COMBINATION SECURITY OR ANY INTEREST THEREIN, THE HOLDER DETERMINES, OR IT IS DETERMINED BY ANOTHER PARTY, THAT SUCH HOLDER IS A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR CONTROLLING PERSON, THE HOLDER WILL DISPOSE OF ALL OF ITS COMBINATION SECURITIES IN A MANNER CONSISTENT WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE, AND IT WILL NOT SELL OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER THIS COMBINATION SECURITY OR INTEREST THEREIN TO ANY PERSON WHO IS UNABLE TO SATISFY THE SAME FOREGOING REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE CO-ISSUERS, THE TRUSTEE AND ANY PAYING AGENT, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) SHALL RESULT IN U.S. FEDERAL BACK-UP WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THIS COMBINATION SECURITY.

In addition, each Security represented by an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note or a Regulation S Global Security will bear the following additional legend:

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

(9) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Securities by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice of other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertisings.

(10) On each day the purchaser holds the Securities or any beneficial interest therein, (i) in the case of Notes, either (A) the purchaser is not a Plan or an entity whose underlying assets include "plan assets" (within the meaning of 29 C.F.R. § 2510.3-101) by reason of such Plan's investment in the entity, or a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan which is subject to any federal, state, local or non-U.S. law that is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or (B) if the purchaser is an entity described in the preceding clause (A), the purchase, holding and disposition of a Note, as the case may be, will not constitute or result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or any similar federal, state, local or non-U.S. law applicable to any governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan, as applicable, for which no exemption is available, all of the conditions of which are satisfied and (ii) in the case of the Combination Securities, the purchaser understands and agrees that (A) such purchaser, at the time of its acquisition, and throughout

the period it holds such Combination Securities, is not a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person; and (B) if after its initial acquisition of a Combination Security or any interest therein, the purchaser determines, or it is determined by another party, that such purchaser is a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person, the purchaser will dispose of all its Combination Securities in a manner consistent with the restrictions set forth in the Indenture and the purchaser will not sell or otherwise transfer any such Combination Security or interest therein to any person who is unable to satisfy the same foregoing representations and warranties. Any purported purchase or transfer of Securities to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph 10 shall be null and void *ab initio* and will vest in the transferee no rights against the Trustee or the Co-Issuers.

(11) Each purchaser and subsequent transferee of a Combination Security in the form of a Certificated Security will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Trustee written certification as to whether it is an Affected Bank and each purchaser and subsequent transferee of a Regulation S Global Security will be deemed to represent to the Issuer and to the Trustee that it is not an Affected Bank. No transfer of any Combination Security to a transferee that has represented it is an Affected Bank will be effective, and the Trustee will not recognize any such transfer, unless such transfer is specifically authorized by the Issuer in writing; provided, however, that the Issuer shall authorize any such transfer if (x) such transfer would not cause more than 33⅓% of the aggregate outstanding amount of the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components of the Combination Securities) to be owned by Affected Banks or (y) the transferor is an Affected Bank previously approved by the Issuer.

(12) The purchaser understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Securities or any beneficial interest therein who is a U.S. Person and who is determined not to have been both (x) an Accredited Investor, in the case of an initial purchaser of Securities or a purchaser of Certificated Securities, or a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, or (z) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers at the time of acquisition of the Securities or any beneficial interest therein (any such person, an "**Eligible Purchaser**") to sell such interest, or to sell such interest on behalf of such purchaser, to a person that is an Eligible Purchaser in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A or in a transaction exempt from registration under the Securities Act of 1933 or to a person that is a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S.

(13) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Securities, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase the beneficial interest in the Securities from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its beneficial interest in this Security to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(14) The purchaser understands that the Stated Maturity of the Securities (other than the Class 2 Combination Securities) is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Portfolio Manager, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

Under the Indenture, the Issuer will agree to comply with the requirements of Rule 144A under the Securities Act relative to providing information to prospective purchasers in the secondary market.

Each initial purchaser of the Securities represented by an interest in a Regulation S Global Security will further be required, in addition to making the representations set forth in clauses (1), (3), (4), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), (11), (13) and (14) above, to represent and agree as follows:

(1) The purchaser is aware that the sale of Securities to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Regulation S under the Securities Act and understands that the

Securities offered in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act will bear the legend set forth above and be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Securities.

(2) The purchaser is not a U.S. Person and is purchasing in an Offshore Transaction not involving any directed selling efforts in the United States. The Regulation S Global Securities so represented may not at any time be held by or on behalf of U.S. Persons as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. The purchaser and each beneficial owner of the Securities that it holds is not, and will not be, a U.S. Person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act or a United States resident for purposes of the 1940 Act. Before any interest in (i) a Regulation S Global Security may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note or a Certificated Security, or (ii) a Certificated Security may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of a Certificated Security, the transferor and the transferee will be required to provide the Trustee with a written certification in the form provided in the Indenture as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

### **Regulation S Global Preference Shares and Certificated Preference Shares**

Each initial purchaser of Preference Shares that purchases such Preference Shares directly from the Issuer will be required to enter into a Subscription Agreement with the Issuer pursuant to which such purchaser will be required to represent and agree, and each subsequent purchaser of Preference Shares will be required to represent and agree (or, in the case of a subsequent purchaser of Regulation S Global Preference Shares, will be deemed to represent and agree) as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A or Regulation S under the Securities Act, as applicable, are used herein as defined therein):

(1) The purchaser either (i)(A) is an Accredited Investor who is also (x) a Qualified Purchaser, (y) a Knowledgeable Employee or (z) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers or Knowledgeable Employees, (B) is aware that the initial sale of the Preference Shares to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Section 4(2) under the Securities Act and (C) is acquiring the Preference Shares for its own account or for one or more accounts, each of which is an Accredited Investor and a Qualified Purchaser or a Knowledgeable Employee, and as to each of which the purchaser exercises sole investment discretion, and in a minimum denomination of not less than 250 Preference Shares (or such lesser amount as may be permitted by the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement) for the purchaser and for each such account, or (ii) is not a U.S. person and is purchasing the Preference Shares pursuant to Rule 903 or 904 of Regulation S. The purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in the Preference Shares, and the purchaser and any accounts for which it is acting are each able to bear the economic risk of the purchaser's or its investment. The purchaser understands that in the event that at any time the Issuer or the Trustee determines that such purchaser was in breach, at the time given, of any of the representations or agreements set forth in this paragraph (1), the Trustee may consider the acquisition of the related Preference Shares void and require that the related Preference Shares be transferred to a person designated by the Issuer.

(2) The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares are being offered only in transactions not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act. The Preference Shares have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Preference Shares, such Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the legend on such Preference Shares described below. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Co-Issuers or the Placement Agent as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or any state securities laws for resale of the Preference Shares.

(3) The purchaser is not purchasing the Preference Shares with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Preference Shares involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of all or a substantial part of its investment under certain circumstances. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Co-Issuers and the Preference Shares as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Preference Shares, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Co-Issuers and the Portfolio Manager.

(4) In connection with the purchase of the Preference Shares (provided that no such representations are made with respect to the Portfolio Manager by any Affiliate of or account managed by the Portfolio Manager): (i) none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Collateral Administrator, the Trustee (except to the extent of its capacity as indenture trustee under the Indenture), the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Administrator, the Share Trustee or any Hedge Counterparty is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment advisor for the purchaser; (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Collateral Administrator, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Administrator, the Share Trustee or any Hedge Counterparty other than, in the case of the Issuer, in a current offering memorandum for such Preference Shares and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Collateral Administrator, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Administrator, the Share Trustee or any Hedge Counterparty has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other person) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance, result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting or otherwise) of its purchase; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial, and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the Indenture) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Collateral Administrator, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Administrator, the Share Trustee or any Hedge Counterparty; and (v) the purchaser is purchasing the Preference Shares with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks.

(5) Neither the purchaser nor any account for which the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares was formed for the purpose of acquiring any Preference Shares (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser and each such account is a Qualified Purchaser or Knowledgeable Employee or unless the Issuer in its sole discretion and with the advice of counsel in respect of U.S. securities laws, expressly otherwise permits). The purchaser and each such account for which the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares agrees that it will not hold such Preference Shares for the benefit of any other person and will be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it will not sell participations in the Preference Shares or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other person will be entitled to a beneficial interest in the distributions on Preference Shares (except when any such other person is a Qualified Purchaser or Knowledgeable Employee or unless the Issuer in its sole discretion and with the advice of counsel in respect of U.S. securities laws, expressly otherwise permits). The purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Preference Shares to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this clause (5) will be null and void *ab initio* and will vest in the transferee no rights against the Trustee or the Co-Issuers. The purchaser understands that in the event that at any time the Issuer or the Trustee determines that such purchaser was in breach, at the time given, of any of the representations or agreements set forth in paragraph (1) above, the Trustee may consider the

acquisition of the related Preference Shares void and require that the related Preference Shares be transferred to a person designated by the Issuer.

(6) The purchaser understands and agrees that, in conjunction with any transfer of the Preference Shares to a transferee taking an interest in the form of a Certificated Preference Share, the Trustee will not permit a transfer of such Preference Shares without obtaining from the transferor and the transferee a certificate substantially in the applicable form provided in the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

(7) The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares will bear the legend set forth below. The Preference Shares may not at any time be resold, pledged or transferred to U.S. Persons that are not (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers or (ii) Accredited Investors, who in each case are also (x) Qualified Purchasers, (y) Knowledgeable Employees or (z) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and Knowledgeable Employees. The purchaser must inform a prospective transferee of the transfer restrictions. Before any interest in a Regulation S Global Preference Share may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of a Certificated Preference Share, before any interest in a Certificated Preference Share may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of a Regulation S Global Preference Share, and before any interest in a Preference Share may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of a Certificated Preference Share, the transferor and the transferee will, in each case, be required to provide the Trustee and the Issuer with a written certification in the form provided in the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

(8) The Preference Shares will bear a legend to the following effect unless the Issuer determines otherwise in compliance with the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and applicable law:

THIS PREFERENCE SHARE HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED AS AN INVESTMENT COMPANY UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE "1940 ACT"). THE HOLDER HEREOF, BY PURCHASING THIS PREFERENCE SHARE, AGREES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE ISSUER THAT SUCH PREFERENCE SHARE MAY BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, ONLY (1) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, OR (2) TO AN ACCREDITED INVESTOR (AS DEFINED IN REGULATION D UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT), IN A TRANSACTION EXEMPT FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OR (3) IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION COMPLYING WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S OF THE SECURITIES ACT, AND, IN THE CASE OF CLAUSES (1) AND (2), IN AN AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN THE MINIMUM DENOMINATIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENCY AGREEMENT AND IN EACH CASE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANY APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES OR ANY JURISDICTION. IN THE CASE OF CLAUSES (1) AND (2) ABOVE, AS APPLICABLE, THE PURCHASER AGREES THAT IT AND EACH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH SUCH PURCHASER IS ACTING (X) IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OR A KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEE WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 3c-5 OF THE 1940 ACT, (Y) WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER AND EACH SUCH ACCOUNT IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OR A

KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEE WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 3c-5 OF THE 1940 ACT), AND (Z) HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER OR SUCH ACCOUNT IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, AND IN A TRANSACTION THAT MAY BE EFFECTED WITHOUT LOSS OF ANY APPLICABLE 1940 ACT EXEMPTION. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID AB INITIO AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THIS PREFERENCE SHARE WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH HEREIN, IN THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENCY AGREEMENT TO ITS TRANSFEREE. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL ALL OR ANY PORTION OF THIS PREFERENCE SHARE PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS (AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENCY AGREEMENT) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENCY AGREEMENT.

IF THE TRANSFER OF THIS PREFERENCE SHARE IS TO BE MADE PURSUANT TO CLAUSE (1) OR (2) OF THE PRECEDING PARAGRAPH, THE TRANSFEREE OF THIS PREFERENCE SHARE WILL BE REQUIRED TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER TO THE ISSUER AND THE TRUSTEE A CERTIFICATE, SUBSTANTIALLY IN THE FORM OF AN EXHIBIT TO THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENCY AGREEMENT, STATING THAT, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE TRANSFEREE IS (1) (X) A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER OR (Y) AN ACCREDITED INVESTOR (AS DEFINED IN REGULATION D UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT) AND (2) (X) A QUALIFIED PURCHASER WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE 1940 ACT, (Y) A KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEE OR (Z) AN ENTITY OWNED EXCLUSIVELY BY QUALIFIED PURCHASERS OR KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEES. ANY PURPORTED TRANSFER OF THIS PREFERENCE SHARE TO A TRANSFEREE THAT DOES NOT COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH ABOVE SHALL BE NULL AND VOID AB INITIO AND WILL VEST IN THE TRANSFEREE NO RIGHTS AGAINST THE TRUSTEE OR THE ISSUER.

EACH PURCHASER AND EACH SUBSEQUENT PURCHASER OR TRANSFEREE ACQUIRING A BENEFICIAL INTEREST IN PREFERENCE SHARES IN THE FORM OF CERTIFICATED PREFERENCE SHARES, WILL BE REQUIRED TO REPRESENT, WITH RESPECT TO EACH DAY IT HOLDS SUCH PREFERENCE SHARES OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN, (1) WHETHER OR NOT (AND WITH RESPECT TO AN INSURANCE COMPANY GENERAL ACCOUNT, TO WHAT EXTENT) IT IS A "BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR" OR A "CONTROLLING PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR REGULATIONS SET FORTH AT 29 C.F.R. SECTION 2510.3-101 AND (2) THAT ITS PURCHASE, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF SUCH PREFERENCE SHARES OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED, OR SECTION 4975 OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED OR ANY FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL OR NON-U.S. LAW SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE.

EACH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE OF A BENEFICIAL INTEREST IN THE PREFERENCE SHARES IN THE FORM OF A REGULATION S GLOBAL PREFERENCE SHARE WILL BE DEEMED TO REPRESENT AND WARRANT (OR, IN THE CASE OF A PURCHASE OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES FROM THE ISSUER IN THE OFFERING, WILL BE REQUIRED TO REPRESENT AND WARRANT) THAT THE PURCHASER OR TRANSFEREE, AS

THE CASE MAY BE, FROM THE DATE ON WHICH IT ACQUIRES ITS INTEREST IN SUCH PREFERENCE SHARES THROUGH AND INCLUDING THE DATE ON WHICH SUCH PURCHASER OR TRANSFEREE DISPOSES OF IS INTEREST IN SUCH PREFERENCE SHARES, IS NOT A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR A CONTROLLING PERSON.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER AND ANY PAYING AGENT, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) SHALL RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF U.S. FEDERAL BACK-UP WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY.

In addition, each Preference Share represented by an interest in a Regulation S Global Preference Share will bear the following additional legend:

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

(9) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Preference Shares by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice of other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertisings.

(10) The purchaser understands and agrees that (i) no Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person will be permitted to purchase Preference Shares unless its purchase, holding and disposition of such Preference Shares (x) will not cause participation by Benefit Plan Investors to be "significant" within the meaning of the Plan Asset Regulations and (y) if the purchaser is a Benefit Plan Investor, the acquisition, holding and disposition of such Preference Shares or any interest therein will not constitute or result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or any similar federal, state, local or non-U.S. law applicable to any governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan, as applicable, for which no exemption is available and (ii) no purchase or transfer may be made to a purchaser or transferee that wishes to take delivery in the form of a Regulation S Global Preference Share that is a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person. The purchaser further understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Preference Shares to a transferee that does not comply with the applicable provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement will be null and void *ab initio* and will vest in the transferee no rights against the Trustee or the Issuer. The purchaser agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator, the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agent and their respective Affiliates from any cost,



damage, or loss incurred by them as a result of its being or being deemed to be a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person.

(11) Each purchaser and subsequent transferee of Certificated Preference Shares will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Trustee a written certification as to whether it is an Affected Bank by delivery of a certificate in a form acceptable to the Issuer and the Trustee and each purchaser and subsequent transferee of an interest in a Preference Share in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Preference Share will be deemed to represent to the Issuer and to the Trustee that it is not an Affected Bank. No transfer of any Preference Share to an Affected Bank will be effective, and the Trustee will not recognize any such transfer, unless such transfer is specifically authorized by the Issuer in writing; *provided, however*, that the Issuer shall authorize any such transfer if (A) such transfer would not cause more than 33⅓% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components of the Combination Securities) to be owned by Affected Banks or (B) the transferor is an Affected Bank previously approved by the Issuer, as notified to the Indenture Registrar.

(12) The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement permits the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Preference Shares or any beneficial interest therein who is a U.S. Person and who is determined not to have been both (x) an Accredited Investor, in the case of an initial purchaser of Preference Shares or a purchaser of Certificated Preference Shares, or a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) either (i) a Qualified Purchaser, (ii) a Knowledgeable Employee or (iii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers or Knowledgeable Employees at the time of acquisition of the Preference Shares or any beneficial interest therein (any such person, an "**Eligible Purchaser**") to sell such interest, or to sell such interest on behalf of such purchaser, to a person that is an Eligible Purchaser in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A or in a transaction exempt from registration under the Securities Act of 1933 or to a person that is a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S.

(13) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Preference Shares, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase the beneficial interest in the Preference Shares from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its beneficial interest in the Preference Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(14) The purchaser understands that the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Portfolio Manager, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

Under the Indenture, the Issuer will agree to comply with the requirements of Rule 144A under the Securities Act relative to providing information to prospective purchasers in the secondary market.

Each initial purchaser of the Preference Shares represented by an interest in a Regulation S Global Preference Share will further be required, in addition to making the representations set forth in clauses (1), (3), (4), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), (11), (12), (13) and (14) above, to represent and agree as follows:

(1) The purchaser is aware that the sale of Preference Shares to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Regulation S under the Securities Act and understands that the Preference Shares offered in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act will bear the legend set forth above and be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Preference Shares.

(2) The purchaser is not a U.S. Person and is purchasing in an Offshore Transaction not involving any directed selling efforts in the United States. The Regulation S Global Preference Shares so represented may not at any time be held by or on behalf of U.S. Persons as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. The purchaser and each beneficial owner of the Preference Shares that it holds is not, and will not be, a U.S. Person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act or a United States resident for purposes of the 1940 Act. Before any interest in (i) a Regulation S Global Preference Share may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Certificated Preference Share, or (ii) a Certificated Preference Share may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of a Certificated Preference Share, the transferor and the transferee will be required to provide the Trustee with a written certification in the form provided in the Indenture as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

(3) The purchaser is not a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person, and such purchaser agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator, the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agent and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of its being or being deemed to be a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person.

### **Disqualified Transferees**

If the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager or the Placement Agent notifies the Trustee in writing that (i) a transfer or attempted or purported transfer of any interest in any Security was consummated on the basis of an incorrect form or certification from the transferee or purported transferee, (ii) a transferee failed to deliver to the Trustee any form or certificate required to be delivered pursuant to the Indenture or the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, as applicable, or (iii) the holder of any interest in a Security is in breach of any representation or agreement set forth in any certificate or any deemed representation or agreement of such holder, the Trustee will not register such attempted or purported transfer and if a transfer has been registered, such transfer shall be absolutely null and void *ab initio* and shall vest no rights in the purported transferee (such purported transferee, a "**Disqualified Transferee**") and the last preceding holder of such interest in such Security that was not a Disqualified Transferee shall be restored to all rights as a holder thereof retroactively to the date of transfer of such Security by such holder. In addition, the Trustee may require that the interest in the Security referred to in clauses (i), (ii) or (iii) above be transferred to any person designated by the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager or the Placement Agent at a price determined by the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager or the Placement Agent, as applicable, based upon its estimation of the prevailing price of such interest and each holder, by acceptance of an interest in a Security, authorizes the Trustee to take such action. In any case, the Trustee will not be held responsible for any losses that may be incurred as a result of any required transfer described in this paragraph.

### **LISTING AND GENERAL INFORMATION**

1. With the exception of the information provided under the heading "Portfolio Manager," the Co-Issuers accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this Offering Memorandum and confirm, having made reasonable inquiry, that to the best of their knowledge and belief there are no facts the omission of which would make any statement within this Offering Memorandum misleading.

2. As long as any Class of the Securities are Outstanding and listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange, copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer, the Administration Agreement, the Resolutions, the resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer authorizing the issuance of the Notes and the Preference Shares, the Indenture, the Management Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement any Hedge Agreement and the Monthly Report will be available for inspection at the offices of the Issuer, where copies thereof may be obtained upon request.

3. Copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer, the Administration Agreement, the Resolutions, the resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer authorizing the issuance of the Notes, the Indenture, the Management Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, any Hedge Agreement and the Monthly Report prepared by the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer containing information relating to the Collateral will be available for inspection so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding in the City of Houston, Texas at the office of the Trustee.

4. Each of the Co-Issuers represents that as of the date of this Offering Memorandum, there has been no material adverse change in its financial position since its date of incorporation. Since its date of incorporation, neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has commenced operations, other than the Issuer purchasing certain Collateral Obligations and selling participation interests therein pursuant the Warehouse Agreement preparatory to the offering of the Securities, and no annual reports or accounts have been prepared as of the date of this Offering Memorandum.

5. The Co-Issuers are not involved in any litigation or arbitration proceedings relating to claims or amounts which are material in the context of the issue of the Securities, nor, so far as the Co-Issuers are aware, is any such litigation or arbitration involving it pending or threatened.

8. The issuance of the Securities was authorized and approved by the Board of Directors of the Issuer by the Resolutions. The issuance of the Notes was authorized and approved by the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer by resolutions passed on or before the Closing Date.

9. Since the date of their incorporation, no financial statements of the Co-Issuers have been prepared. The Issuer is not required by Cayman Islands law to publish financial statements, and does not intend to publish any financial statements. The Issuer is required to provide written confirmation to the Trustee, on an annual basis, that no Event of Default or other matter that is required to be brought to the Trustee's attention has occurred.

**IDENTIFYING NUMBERS**

The Securities sold in Offshore Transactions in reliance on Regulation S and represented by Regulation S Global Securities have been accepted for clearance under the Common Codes in the table below. The table also lists the CUSIP (CINS) Numbers, the International Securities Identification Numbers (ISIN) and the WKN numbers for each Class of Securities.

<b>Security</b>	<b>CUSIP</b>	<b>Common Code</b>	<b>ISIN</b>	<b>WKN</b>
<b>Class A-1 Notes</b>				
Rule 144A Global Notes	378663AA6	N/A	US378663AA63	A0GDSG
Regulation S Global Securities	G3916NAA7	22700634	USG3916NAA75	A0GDSF
Regulation S Certificated Securities	G3916NAA7	22700634	USG3916NAA75	A0GDSF
U.S. Certificated Securities	378663AB4	N/A	US378663AB47	A0GDSH
<b>Class A-2 Notes</b>				
Rule 144A Global Notes	378663AC2	N/A	US378663AC20	A0GDSK
Regulation S Global Securities	G3916NAB5	22700839	USG3916NAB58	A0GDSJ
Regulation S Certificated Securities	G3916NAB5	22700839	USG3916NAB58	A0GDSJ
U.S. Certificated Securities	378663AD0	N/A	US378663AD03	A0GDSL
<b>Class B Notes</b>				
Rule 144A Global Notes	378663AE8	N/A	US378663AE85	A0GDSN
Regulation S Global Securities	G3916NAC3	22701037	USG3916NAC32	A0GDSM
Regulation S Certificated Securities	G3916NAC3	22701037	USG3916NAC32	A0GDSM
U.S. Certificated Securities	378663AF5	N/A	US378663AF50	A0GDSP
<b>Class C Notes</b>				
Rule 144A Global Notes	378663AG3	N/A	US378663AG34	A0GDSR
Regulation S Global Securities	G3916NAD1	22701231	USG3916NAD15	A0GDSQ
Regulation S Certificated Securities	G3916NAD1	22701231	USG3916NAD15	A0GDSQ
U.S. Certificated Securities	378663AH1	N/A	US378663AH17	A0GDSS
<b>Class D Notes</b>				
Rule 144A Global Notes	378663AJ7	N/A	US378663AJ72	A0GDSU
Regulation S Global Securities	G3916NAE9	22701312	USG3916NAE97	A0GDST
Regulation S Certificated Securities	G3916NAE9	22701312	USG3916NAE97	A0GDST
U.S. Certificated Securities	378663AK4	N/A	US378663AK46	A0GDSV
<b>Class 1 Combination Securities</b>				
Regulation S Global Securities	G39165AB4	23191466	USG39165AB40	A0GGXU
Certificated Securities	37866PAC3	N/A	US37866PAC32	A0GGXV
<b>Class 2 Combination Securities</b>				
Regulation S Global Securities	G39165AC2	23191563	USG39165AC23	A0GGXW
Certificated Securities	37866PAD1	N/A	US37866PAD15	A0GGXX
<b>Preference Shares</b>				
Regulation S Global Preference Shares	G39165AA6	22701444	USG39165AA66	A0GDSW
Certificated Preference Shares (non-U.S.)	G39165AA6	22701444	USG39165AA66	A0GDSW
Certificated Preference Shares (Rule 144A/4(2))	37866PAB5	N/A	US37866PAB58	A0GDSY

### **LEGAL MATTERS**

Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Co-Issuers and the Placement Agent by McKee Nelson LLP, New York, New York. Certain matters with respect to Cayman Islands corporate law and tax law will be passed upon for the Issuer by Maples and Calder, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Portfolio Manager by Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, Los Angeles, California.

## GLOSSARY OF DEFINED TERMS

**"Accrued Interest On Sale"** means interest accrued on a Collateral Obligation at the time of sale or other disposition to the extent paid to the Issuer as part of the sale or other disposition price of the Collateral Obligation after deduction of any amount representing Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal"** means (i) interest accrued on or purchased with a Collateral Obligation as part of the price paid by the Issuer to acquire the Collateral Obligation less any amount of Interest Proceeds (applied as Interest Proceeds) applied by the Issuer to acquire the accrued interest at the time of purchase and (ii) interest accrued on a Warehoused Loan as part of the price paid by the Issuer, if any, to repurchase and terminate the related participation under the Warehouse Agreement.

**"Act"** means any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action to be given or taken by Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares under the Indenture embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments of substantially similar tenor signed by Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares in person or by agents duly appointed in writing. The instruments (and the action embodied in them) are referred to as the **"Act"** of the Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares signing the instruments.

**"Administrative Expense Cap"** means, an amount on any Payment Date equal to the excess of:

(i) the sum of 0.05% of the Maximum Investment Amount on the related Determination Date plus \$150,000; *over*

(ii) the sum of the amounts paid for Administrative Expenses in the twelve months preceding the current Payment Date.

**"Administrative Expenses"** means amounts due or accrued representing:

(i) tax preparation, filing, and registration fees or expenses and any other filing and registration fees owed by the Co-Issuers (including all filing, registration, and annual return fees payable to the Cayman Islands government and registered office fees);

(ii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Trustee (including all amounts under Section 6.7 of the Indenture), the Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Collateral Administrator;

(iii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Co-Issuers and of accountants, agents and counsel for either of the Co-Issuers;

(iv) fees and expenses of the Rating Agencies in connection with any rating of the Notes owed by either Co-Issuer (including fees and expenses for surveillance, credit estimates and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies);

(v) expenses and indemnities (but not Management Fees) of the Portfolio Manager if payable under the Management Agreement;

(vi) fees and expenses for third-party loan pricing services and accountants; and

(vii) amounts due (other than indemnities) to any other Person (except the Portfolio Manager) if specifically provided for in the Indenture, including fees or expenses in connection with any Securities Lending Agreement.

**"Affected Bank"** means a "bank" for purposes of Section 881 of the Code or an entity affiliated with such a bank that is neither (x) a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code (generally an entity created or organized in or under the laws of the United States or any state thereof or the District of Columbia) nor (y) entitled to the benefits of an income tax treaty with the United States under which withholding taxes on interest payments made by obligors resident in the United States to such bank are reduced to 0%.

**"Affiliate" or "Affiliated"** means with respect to a Person,

(i) any other Person who, directly or indirectly, is in control of, or controlled by, or is under common control with, the Person; or

(ii) any other Person who is a director, officer or employee (A) of the Person, (B) of any subsidiary or parent company of the Person or (C) of any Person described in clause (i) above.

For the purposes of this definition, control of a Person shall mean the power, direct or indirect:

(A) to vote more than 50% of the securities having ordinary voting power for the election of directors of the Person; or

(B) to direct the corporate management and corporate policies of the Person whether by contract or otherwise (this does not include the Management Agreement unless it is amended expressly to provide those services).

For the purpose of this definition, the Administrator and its Affiliates are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Co-Issuers and the Co-Issuers are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Administrator, or any of their Affiliates.

**"Aggregate Outstanding Amount"** means, when used with respect to any of the Notes or the Class 1 Note Components as of any date, the aggregate principal amount of the Notes or the Class 1 Note Components represented by the Outstanding Class 1 Combination Securities on that date and when used with respect to the Preference Shares or the Preference Share Components as of any date, means the number of such Preference Shares Outstanding on such date in respect of such Preference Shares or Preference Share Component and when used with respect to any of the Class 2 Combination Securities, as of any date, means the aggregate face amount of the Class 2 Combination Securities.

Except as otherwise provided herein:

(i) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(iii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes at any time shall include all Class C Deferred Interest attributed thereto; and

(iv) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes at any time shall include all Class D Deferred Interest attributed thereto.

**"Aggregate Principal Balance"** means, when used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Principal Balances of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Principal Balance means the sum of the Principal Balances of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**"Aggregate Purchase Price Amount"** means, when used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Purchase Price Amount means the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**"Allocable Principal Balance"** means, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, the portion of the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security that is allocable to each Reference Obligation comprising such index or indices based upon allocating the Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security among such Reference Obligations in the same proportion as each Reference Obligation bears to the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security.

**"Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price"** means the purchase price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Securities purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, *plus* accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) to the date of purchase payable to the Non-Consenting Holder (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), *plus* any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment, (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since the Closing Date (and any amounts payable, if any, to the Non-Consenting Holder on the next succeeding Payment Date) would cause such Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a "Payment Date" under the Indenture); *provided, however*, that in any Amendment Buy-Out from and after the date on which the Non-Consenting Holders of Preference Shares have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price for such Preference Shares shall be zero, (iii) in the case of the Class 1 Combination Securities, the sum of (x) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (i) in respect of the Class C Notes underlying the Class 1 Note Component and (y) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (ii) in respect of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 1 Combination Security Preference Share Component and (iv) in the case of the Class 2 Combination Securities, the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (ii) in respect of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 2 Combination Security Preference Share Component.

**"Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser"** means the Portfolio Manager (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event that the Portfolio Manager elects not to purchase Securities from Holders pursuant to "Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out", "Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Placement Agent) or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Portfolio Manager; *provided, however*, none of the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agent or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

**"Applicable Note Interest Rate"** means, with respect to the Notes of any Class, the Note Interest Rate with respect to such Class.

**"Applicable Percentage"** means the lesser of the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate and the S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation as specified in the tables below. High-Yield Bonds do not include Structured Finance Obligations for this purpose.



**Moody's Priority  
Category****Moody's Priority Category  
Recovery Rate**

Synthetic Securities..... In the case of:

- (i) a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to the Form-Approved Synthetic Security at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security by Moody's; and
- (ii) any other Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to the Synthetic Security at the time of acquisition of the Synthetic Security.

Structured Finance

Obligations..... The Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the Moody's Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in Schedule 5 to the Indenture by reference to the type of asset and its then Moody's Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that schedule does not apply, on a case-by-case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).

unsecured DIP Loans and  
any Collateral Obligations

not covered above or below .. As determined by Moody's on a case-by-case basis.

For High-Yield Bonds, Moody's Senior Secured Loans and Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is the rate determined pursuant to the table below based on the number of rating subcategories difference between the High-Yield Bond's or Loan's Moody's Obligation Rating and its Moody's Default Probability Rating (for purposes of clarification, if the Moody's Obligation Rating is higher than the Moody's Default Probability Rating, the rating subcategories difference will be positive and if it is lower, negative):

<b>Number of Moody's Rating Subcategories Difference Between the Moody's Obligation Rating and the Moody's Default Probability Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>High-Yield Bonds</b>
+2 or more	60.0%	45.0%	40.0%
+1	50.0%	42.5%	35.0%
0	45.0%	40.0%	30.0%
-1	40.0%	30.0%	15.0%
-2	30.0%	15.0%	10.0%
-3 or less	20.0%	10.0%	2.0%

If no Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate has been specifically assigned with respect to a Loan pursuant to the above table, and the Loan is a secured DIP Loan, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is 50.0%.

<b>S&amp;P Priority Category</b>	<b>S&amp;P Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Senior Secured Loans and Second Lien Loans with a S&P Recovery Rating of 1+, 1 or 2 (in each case other than DIP Loans) .....	55.0%
Senior Unsecured Loans .....	37.5%
Second Lien Loans (other than Second Lien Loans with a S&P Recovery Rating of 1+, 1 or 2) .....	37.5%
Subordinated Lien Loans other than a DIP Loan .....	21.5%
senior secured High-Yield Bonds (other than Structured Finance Obligations) .....	44.0%
senior unsecured High-Yield Bonds (other than Structured Finance Obligations) .....	30.0%
subordinated High-Yield Bonds (other than Structured Finance Obligations) .....	18.0%
Structured Finance Obligations.....	The S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the S&P Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 6</u> to the Indenture by reference to the type of asset and its then S&P Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that table does not apply, on a case by case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
Synthetic Securities.....	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation.
DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligation not covered above .....	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis.

**"Approved Pricing Service"** means Loan Pricing Corporation, LoanX Inc., Mark-It-Partners, Inc. or any other nationally recognized loan pricing service approved in writing by S&P.

**"Ask-Side Market Value"** means, as of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Portfolio Manager and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any lent Collateral Obligation based upon the Portfolio Manager's commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations which are also Independent from the Portfolio Manager or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices could not be obtained, the higher of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations which are also Independent from the Portfolio Manager or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices could not be obtained, the average of the ask-side prices for the purchase of such Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Portfolio Manager) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Portfolio Manager); *provided* that if the Ask-Side Market Value of any lent Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the outstanding principal balance thereof.

**"Assigned Moody's Rating"** means the monitored publicly available rating or the monitored estimated rating expressly assigned to a debt obligation (or facility) by Moody's that addresses the full amount of the principal and interest promised.

**"Authorized Officer"** means, with respect to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, any Officer or agent who is authorized to act for the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, in matters relating to, and binding on, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. With respect to the Portfolio Manager, any managing member, Officer, manager, employee, partner or agent of the Portfolio Manager who is authorized to act for the Portfolio Manager in matters relating to, and binding on, the Portfolio Manager with respect to the subject matter of the request, certificate or order in question. With respect to the Trustee or any other bank or trust company acting as trustee of an express trust or as custodian, a Trust Officer. Each party may receive and accept a certification of the authority of any other party as conclusive evidence of the authority of any Person to act, and the certification may be considered as in full force and effect until receipt by the other party of written notice to the contrary.

**"Average Life"** means, as of any Measurement Date with respect to any Collateral Obligation (other than any Defaulted Collateral Obligation), the quotient obtained by dividing:

- (i) the sum of the products of:
  - (A) the number of years (rounded to the nearest hundredth) from the Measurement Date to the respective dates of each successive scheduled payment of principal of the Collateral Obligation; and
  - (B) the respective amounts of the successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation; by
- (ii) the sum of all successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Bank"** means JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, in its individual capacity and not as Trustee.

**"Bankruptcy Code"** means the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, Title 11 of the United States Code.

**"Bankruptcy Law"** means the Bankruptcy Code, Part V of the Companies Law (2004 Revision) of the Cayman Islands and the Bankruptcy Law (1997 Revision) of the Cayman Islands.

**"Board of Directors"** means with respect to the Issuer, the directors of the Issuer duly appointed by a resolution of the holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares or by resolution of the Board of Directors and, with respect to the Co-Issuer, the directors of the Co-Issuer duly appointed by the stockholders of the Co-Issuer.

**"Bridge Loan"** means any obligation or security incurred in connection with a merger, acquisition, consolidation, sale of all or substantially all of the assets of a person or entity, restructuring or similar transaction, which obligation or security by its terms is required to be repaid within one year of the incurrence thereof with proceeds from additional borrowings or other refinancing (other than any additional borrowing or refinancing if one or more financial institutions shall have provided the issuer of such obligation or security with a binding written commitment to provide the same). For the avoidance of doubt, a DIP Loan will not constitute a Bridge Loan.

**"Business Day"** means a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in New York City, and any other city in which the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee is located and, in the case of the final payment of principal of any Note or the final payment in respect of

any Combination Security, the place of presentation of the Note or Combination Security designated by the Trustee; *provided, however* that, for purposes of determining LIBOR, "Business Day" must also be a day on which dealings in deposits in Dollars are transacted in the London interbank market.

**"Buy-out Amount"** means, (i) with respect to the Directing Preference Shares, an amount, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Directing Preference Shares since the Closing Date, would cause the Directing Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of the Portfolio Manager's purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a "Payment Date" under the Indenture) and (ii) in the case of the Combination Securities, the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (i) in respect of the Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Components.

**"Cash"** means such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for payment of all public and private debts.

**"CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations"** means the Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have (i) a Moody's Rating below "B3" and/or (ii) an S&P Rating below "B-".

**"Class"** means with all of the Notes and the Combination Securities having the same priority and the same Stated Maturity and all of the Preference Shares.

**"Class 1 Combination Security Rated Balance"** means, with respect to the rating of the Class 1 Combination Securities by Moody's, (i) on the Closing Date \$5,000,000 and (ii) on any date of determination thereafter, the initial Class 1 Combination Security Rated Balance reduced by an amount equal to (x) the aggregate amount of distributions paid to the Holders of the Class 1 Combination Securities on each Payment Date prior to such date of determination in respect of its related Components pursuant to "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments" *minus* (y) the aggregate Class 1 Combination Security Rated Coupon Distributions paid to the Holders of the Class 1 Combination Securities on each Payment Date prior to such date of determination; *provided* that if the amount of distributions paid to the Holders of the Class 1 Combination Securities on any Payment Date is less than the Class 1 Combination Security Rated Coupon Distribution for such Payment Date, then the Class 1 Combination Security Rated Balance shall be increased by such deficiency.

**"Class 1 Combination Security Rated Coupon"** means, with respect to the Class 1 Combination Securities, 0.25% percent per annum in respect of the Class 1 Combination Security Rated Balance of such Class 1 Combination Securities.

**"Class 1 Combination Security Rated Coupon Distribution"** means, with respect to the Class 1 Combination Securities as of any Payment Date, the amount accrued at the Class 1 Combination Security Rated Coupon during the related Interest Period on the Outstanding Class 1 Combination Security Rated Balance as of such Payment Date (without giving effect to any payments to be made on such Payment Date) and calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

**"Class 2 Combination Security Rated Balance"** means, with respect to the rating of the Class 2 Combination Securities by Moody's, on the Closing Date, \$20,000,000.

**"Class A/B Coverage Tests"** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes.

**"Class C Coverage Tests"** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class C Notes.

**"Class C Deferred Interest"** means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C Notes.

**"Class D Coverage Tests"** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class D Notes.

**"Class D Deferred Interest"** means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class D Notes.

**"Class Scenario Loss Rate"** means, with respect to any Class of Notes rated by S&P, an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, consistent with S&P's rating of such Class of Notes on the Closing Date, determined by application of the S&P CDO Monitor.

**"Clearstream"** means Clearstream Banking, société anonyme, a corporation organized under the laws of the Duchy of Luxembourg.

**"Collateral Administration Agreement"** means the agreement dated as of the Closing Date among the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and the Collateral Administrator, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Collateral Administrator"** means the Bank in its capacity as collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement.

**"Combination Security Rated Balance"** means the Class 1 Combination Security Rated Balance or the Class 2 Combination Security Rated Balance, as applicable.

**"Combination Securityholder"** means a Holder of Combination Securities of any Class.

**"Components"** means the Class 1 Note Components, the Class 2 Components or Preference Share Components, as the context requires.

**"Controlling Class"** means the Class A-1 Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class A-1 Notes are Outstanding; then the Class A-2 Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class A-2 Notes are Outstanding; then the Class B Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class B Notes are Outstanding; then the Class C Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class C are Outstanding; then the Class D Notes (voting together as a Class or group).

**"Corporate Trust Office"** means the corporate trust office of the Trustee at which the Trustee performs its duties under the Indenture, currently having an address of 600 Travis Street, 50<sup>th</sup> Floor, Houston, Texas 77002, telecopy no. (713) 216-2101, Attention: Worldwide Securities Services—Gleneagles CLO, Ltd. or any other address the Trustee designates from time to time by notice to the Noteholders, the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Issuer and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Trustee

**"Credit Improved Obligation"** is any Collateral Obligation that in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, has improved in credit quality; *provided*, if a Credit Rating Event is in effect, such Collateral Obligation will be considered a Credit Improved Obligation only if:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been upgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing positive credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under the Indenture;

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced a reduction in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread

(prior to such decrease) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Portfolio Manager (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's);

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has increased by at least 1.00% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Portfolio Manager (*provided* that this subclause (iii)(x) will be deemed satisfied if Market Value increases to 101%), or (y) in the case of a bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more positive than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, plus 3.00%, over the same period; or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Improved Obligation if:

- (i) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Improved Obligation; or
- (ii) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Improved Obligation.

**"Credit Rating Event"** means an event that is in effect if the rating by Moody's:

- (i) of the Class A-1 Notes or the Class A-2 Notes has been withdrawn or is one or more rating sub-categories below its Initial Rating; or
- (ii) of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes has been withdrawn or is two or more rating sub-categories below its respective Initial Rating.

For the purposes of this definition, any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not be effective if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody's has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Class A-1 Notes or the Class A-2 Notes, or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**"Credit Risk Obligation"** means any Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, has a significant risk of declining in credit quality and, with a lapse of time, becoming a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

So long as a Credit Rating Event is in effect, no Collateral Obligation shall be eligible to be a Credit Risk Obligation unless, as of the date of determination:

- (i) the Collateral Obligation has been downgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing negative credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under the Indenture;

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced an increase in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Portfolio Manager (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's);

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has decreased by at least 2.50% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Portfolio Manager, and (y) in the case of a bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more negative, or less positive, as the case may be, than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, less 3.00%, over the same period; or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Risk Obligation if:

- (a) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Risk Obligation; or
- (b) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Risk Obligation.

**"Current-Pay Obligation"** means a Collateral Obligation as to which:

(i) except with respect to a DIP Loan, an insolvency event has occurred with respect to its obligor or as to which its obligor is rated "D" or "SD" by S&P or its obligor has previously been rated "CCC-" by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;

(ii) no default as to the payment of principal or interest with respect to the Collateral Obligation is then continuing and the Portfolio Manager has delivered to the Trustee an officer's certificate to the effect that the Portfolio Manager expects that the obligor will make payments on the Collateral Obligation as they become due;

(iii) (A) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is at least "Caa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 80% of its Principal Balance or (B) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is less than "Caa1" or is "Caa1" and on credit watch with negative implications, the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 85% of its Principal Balance;

(iv) if an insolvency event has occurred with respect to the obligor of the Collateral Obligation, a bankruptcy court has authorized the payment of interest payable on the Collateral Obligation; and

(v) the Portfolio Manager has designated in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligation as a Current-Pay Obligation.

If the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations exceeds 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, all or a portion of one or more Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance equal to the amount of the excess shall not be Current-Pay Obligations (and will therefore be Defaulted Collateral Obligations). The Portfolio Manager shall designate in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligations that shall not be Current-Pay Obligations pursuant to the preceding sentence as the Collateral Obligations (or portions thereof) that have the lowest Market Value on any applicable date of determination.

The Portfolio Manager may, by notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator, change the definition of "Current-Pay Obligation" or how Current-Pay Obligations are treated in the Indenture, subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency.

**"Current Portfolio"** means, at any time, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations, Principal Proceeds held as cash on deposit in the Collection Account, and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account that exists before the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or before the acquisition of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**"Deep Discount Obligation"** means, until the average Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation, as determined daily for any period of 30 consecutive days, equals or exceeds 90%, any Collateral Obligation acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 85% of its Principal Balance. For such purpose, the Market Value Percentage of a Collateral Obligation on a day that is not a Business Day shall be deemed to be the Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation on the immediately preceding Business Day.

**"Defaulted Collateral Obligation"** means any Collateral Obligation or other obligation included in the Collateral:

(i) as to which a default in the payment of principal or interest is continuing beyond the lesser of three Business Days and any applicable grace or notice period, unless in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;

(ii) with respect to which there has been effected any distressed exchange or other debt restructuring where the obligor has offered the holders thereof a new security or instrument or package of securities or instruments that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, either (x) amounts to a diminished financial obligation or (y) has the sole purpose of enabling the obligor to avoid a default;

(iii) (1) that is *pari passu* with or subordinated to other indebtedness for borrowed money owing by its obligor (**"Other Indebtedness"**), (2) the obligor has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (without regard to any applicable grace or notice period and without regard to any waiver of the default) on the Other Indebtedness, unless, in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid on the Other Indebtedness and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation and (3) the Portfolio Manager, *provided* that the



related Collateral Obligation has not been downgraded after the default on such Other Indebtedness has occurred, determines (in its commercially reasonable judgment) that such Other Indebtedness is material;

(iv) (other than a Current-Pay Obligation or a DIP Loan) as to which:

(A) an insolvency event has occurred with respect to its obligor; or

(B) the obligation is rated "D", "SD", "C" or "CC" by S&P or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn, or has previously been rated "CCC-" or lower by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;

(v) if the Collateral Obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation, it is rated "CC" or below by S&P, or it was rated "C" or below by S&P but the rating has since been withdrawn, or it is rated "Ca" or below by Moody's, or it was rated "C" or below by Moody's but the rating has since been withdrawn;

(vi) that is a Participation that would, if the underlying Loan were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (iv) above or with respect to which the Participating Institution has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Participation;

(vii) that is a Synthetic Security referencing a Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (v) above or with respect to which the Synthetic Security Counterparty has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Synthetic Security; *provided, however*, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time: (x) a determination whether the Reference Obligations upon which such Synthetic Security is based would, if such Reference Obligations were Collateral Obligations, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct investment by the Issuer in each of the Reference Obligations on which such Synthetic Security is based in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation and (y) the "Defaulted Collateral Obligation" for purposes of this clause (vii) shall be limited to the Allocable Principal Balance of each Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (v) above;

(viii) that is a Written-Down Obligation;

(ix) that is a DIP Loan as to which an order has been entered converting the debtor's chapter 11 case to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code; or

(x) that is declared to be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation by the Portfolio Manager.

Any Collateral Obligation that is classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall cease to be so classified if the Collateral Obligation, at any date thereafter,

(1) would not otherwise be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this definition; and

(2) otherwise meets the Eligibility Criteria as of that date.

If any portion of a Collateral Obligation has a maturity later than one year after the Stated Maturity of the Notes due to a change in the payment schedule of the Collateral Obligation occurring after its acquisition by the Issuer, that portion of the Collateral Obligation shall be considered a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**"Defaulted Hedge Termination Payment"** means any termination payment required to be made by the Issuer to a Hedge Counterparty pursuant to a Hedge Agreement upon a termination of the Hedge Agreement in respect of which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**"Defaulted Interest"** means any interest payable in respect of any Class of Notes that is not punctually paid or duly provided for on the applicable Payment Date or at Stated Maturity.

**"Defaulted Interest Charge"** means to the extent lawful, interest on any Defaulted Interest at the Default Interest Rate.

**"Default Interest Rate"** means, with respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate equal to the Note Interest Rate payable on the Notes of such Class.

**"Deferred Interest Notes"** means the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**"Delayed Drawdown Loan"** means a Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that:

- (i) requires the Issuer to make one or more future advances to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments;
- (ii) specifies a maximum amount that can be borrowed on one or more fixed borrowing dates; and
- (iii) does not permit the re-borrowing of any amount previously repaid.

A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Delayed Drawdown Loan for so long as its unused commitment amount is greater than zero.

**"Depository" or "DTC"** means The Depository Trust Company and its nominees.

**"DIP Loan"** means any Loan:

- (i) that has a rating assigned by Moody's (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by Moody's, the Portfolio Manager has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by Moody's within five Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer) and a rating assigned by S&P (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by S&P, the Portfolio Manager has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P within two Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer);
- (ii) that is an obligation of a debtor in possession as described in Section 1107 of the Bankruptcy Code or a trustee (if appointment of a trustee has been ordered pursuant to Section 1104 of the Bankruptcy Code) (a **"Debtor"**) organized under the laws of the United States or any state of the United States; and
- (iii) the terms of which have been approved by a final order of the United States Bankruptcy Court, United States District Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, the enforceability of which order is not subject to any pending contested matter or proceeding (as

those terms are defined in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure) and which order provides that:

(A) the Loan is secured by liens on the Debtor's otherwise unencumbered assets pursuant to Section 364(c)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code;

(B) the Loan is secured by liens of equal or senior priority on property of the Debtor's estate that is otherwise subject to a lien pursuant to Section 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code;

(C) the Loan is fully secured (based on a current valuation or appraisal report) by junior liens on the Debtor's encumbered assets; or

(D) if any portion of the Loan is unsecured, the repayment of the Loan retains priority over all other administrative expenses pursuant to Section 364(c)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code (and in the case of this clause (D), before the acquisition of the Loan, the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency).

**"Diversity Score"** is a single number that indicates collateral concentration in terms of both issuer and industry concentration, calculated as set forth in Schedule 4 to the Indenture.

**"Domicile"** or **"Domiciled"** means, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, (i) the jurisdiction of incorporation, organization or creation of the related obligor or (ii) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that would otherwise be considered to be domiciled pursuant to clause (i) in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction, the jurisdiction in which, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, the related obligor conducts substantially all of its business operations and in which the assets primarily responsible for generating its revenues are located.

**"Due Period"** means, with respect to any Payment Date, for all purposes other than payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements, the period from the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date, from the Closing Date) up to but excluding the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the Payment Date (or in the case of the final Payment Date or any Payment Date that is a Redemption Date, through the Business Day before the Payment Date and for payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements the period from the day after the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date from the Closing Date) through the Payment Date).

**"Eligible Country"** means the United States, Canada and any country classified by Moody's as a Moody's Group I Country, Moody's Group II Country or Moody's Group III Country; *provided* that such country has not imposed currency exchange controls.

**"Eligible Investments"** means any Dollar-denominated investment that, when it is pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee under the Indenture, is one or more of the following:

- (i) Cash;
- (ii) direct Registered obligations of, and Registered obligations the timely payment of principal and interest on which is fully and expressly guaranteed by, the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States the obligations of which are expressly backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, which in each case are not zero coupon securities;
- (iii) any demand or time deposits account in a well-capitalized (as such term is used by the FDIC relating to its risk-based assessment system) FDIC insured banking institution having (A) repayment terms with a predetermined fixed Dollar amount of principal due at the

maturity of such deposit that may not vary or change, (B) a rate of interest (if a variable rate) based upon a single interest rate index and a fixed spread which rate of interest varies based solely on such index and (C) no right by the Issuer to liquidate or redeem such deposit prior to the maturity of such deposit;

(iv) any demand and time deposits in, trust accounts, certificates of deposit payable within 91 days of issuance of, bankers' acceptances payable within 91 days of issuance issued by, or Federal funds sold by any depository institution or trust company incorporated under the laws of the United States or any state thereof and subject to supervision and examination by Federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or the debt obligations of such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company), at the time of such investment or contractual commitment providing for such investment and throughout the term of the investment, have a credit rating of not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade, or "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P in the case of commercial paper and short-term debt obligations; provided that in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such investment a long-term credit rating of not less than "AA-" by S&P and "Aa3" by Moody's and a short-term rating of "A-1+" by S&P and "P-1" by Moody's, and if so rated, is not on watch for downgrade;

(v) commercial paper or other short-term obligations with a maturity of not more than 183 days from the date of issuance and having at the time of such investment a credit rating of at least "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P, *provided*, that, in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such investment a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(vi) unleveraged repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clause (b) above entered into with a U.S. federal or state depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (iii) above or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose long-term credit rating is not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade or whose short-term credit rating is "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P at the time of such investment and throughout the term of the investment; *provided*, that, if such repurchase obligation has a maturity of longer than 91 days, the counterparty thereto must also have at the time of such investment and throughout the term of the investment a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(vii) any money market fund or similar investment vehicle having at the time of investment therein and throughout the term of the investment a credit rating of "MR1+" by Moody's and "AAAm" by S&P; including any fund for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee serves as an investment advisor, administrator, shareholder servicing agent, custodian or subcustodian, notwithstanding that (A) the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses from such funds for services rendered (*provided* that such charges, fees and expenses are on terms consistent with terms negotiated at arm's length) and (B) the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses for services rendered, pursuant to the Indenture; provided that (x) such fund or vehicle is formed and has its principal office outside the United States and (y) the ownership of an interest in such fund or vehicle will not subject the Issuer to net income tax in any jurisdiction;

(viii) a guaranteed reinvestment agreement from a bank (if treated as a deposit by such bank), insurance company or other corporation or entity organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (if treated as debt by such insurance company or other corporation or entity), providing for periodic payments thereunder during each Due Period; provided that each

such agreement provides that it is terminable by the purchaser, without premium or penalty, in the event that the rating assigned to such agreement by either Moody's or S&P is at any time lower than the then current ratings assigned to the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes; provided, further, that, at the time of investment therein and throughout the term of the investment, the issuer of such agreement has a senior unsecured long-term debt rating, issuer rating or counterparty rating of at least "Aaa" by Moody's, a short-term debt rating of "P-1" by Moody's (and not on watch for downgrade), a short-term debt rating of at least "A-1+" by S&P and a long-term debt rating of at least "AAA" by S&P (and not on watch for downgrade); and

- (ix) such other investments for which Rating Confirmation has been received;

and, in each case, with a stated maturity (giving effect to any applicable grace period) no later than the Business Day before the Payment Date next succeeding the date of the investment.

Eligible Investments on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account must have a stated maturity no later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase.

Eligible Investments may not include:

- (1) any interest-only security, any security purchased at a price in excess of 100% of its par value, or any security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager;
- (2) any security whose rating assigned by S&P includes the subscript "r," "t," "p," "pi," or "q";
- (3) any floating rate security whose interest rate is inversely or otherwise not proportionately related to an interest rate index or is calculated as other than the sum of an interest rate index plus a spread (which spread may be zero);
- (4) any security that is subject to an exchange or tender offer; or
- (5) any security that has payments subject to foreign or United States withholding tax.

Eligible Investments may include Eligible Investments for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee provides services. Eligible Investments may not include obligations principally secured by real property.

**"Emerging Market Security"** means a security or obligation issued by a sovereign or non-sovereign issuer located in a country (excluding the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Netherlands Antilles, and the Channel Islands):

- (i) that is in Latin America, Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, or the Caribbean; or
- (ii) the long-term foreign currency debt obligations of which are rated below "Aa2" or "Aa2" and on credit watch with negative implications by Moody's or the foreign currency issuer credit rating of which is below "AA" by S&P.

**"Euroclear"** means Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear system.

**"Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations"** means the Principal Balance of all CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations in excess of 7.5% of the Maximum Investment Amount on the relevant Determination Date.

**"Excluded Property"** means U.S.\$250 (attributable to the issue and allotment of the Issuer Ordinary Shares) and a U.S.\$250 transaction fee paid to the Issuer, the bank account in which those amounts are credited in the Cayman Islands and any interest earned on those amounts.

**"Extension"** means an extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test in accordance with the Indenture.

**"Extension Bonus Payment"** means, with respect to each Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable beneficial owner set forth in "Description of the Securities—Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date" in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class B Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (3) in the case of the Class C Notes (including the Class 1 Note Component), 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date and (4) in the case of the Class D Notes, 0.50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

**"Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification"** means, with respect to each Maturity Extension and each beneficial owner of Notes and Class 1 Combination Securities (to the extent of the Class 1 Note Component) other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such beneficial owner in the form attached to the Indenture to the effect that it held Notes and Class 1 Combination Securities (to the extent of the Class 1 Note Component) other than Extension Sale Securities on the applicable Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof in the case of the Notes or the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class 1 Note Component in the case of the Class 1 Combination Securities and wire transfer instructions for the Extension Bonus Payment.

**"Extension Determination Date"** means the 8<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to each Extension Effective Date.

**"Extension Purchase Price"** means the purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with each Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the applicable Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since the Closing Date would cause such Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a "Payment Date" under the Indenture); *provided, however*, that if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Preference Shares shall be zero, (iii) in the case of the Class 1 Combination Securities, the sum of (x) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (i) in respect of the Class C Notes underlying the Class 1 Note Component and (y) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (ii) in respect of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 1 Combination Security Preference Share Component and (iv) in the case of the Class 2 Combination Securities, the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (ii) in respect of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 2 Combination Security Preference Share Component.

**"Extension Qualifying Purchasers"** means Portfolio Manager (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event the Portfolio Manager elects not to purchase Securities from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in "Description of the Securities—Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date"; "Extension Qualifying Purchasers" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Placement Agent or any of their Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Portfolio Manager; *provided, however*, none of the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agent, or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

**"Face Amount"** means, with respect to any Preference Share, the amount set forth therein as the "face amount" thereof, which "face amount" shall be \$1,000 per Preference Share.

**"Finance Lease"** means a lease agreement or other agreement entered into in connection with and evidencing a Leasing Finance Transaction.

**"Fixed Rate Excess"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose numerator is the product of:

- (i) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date over the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test; and
- (ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date;

and whose denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Fixed Rate Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Spread Excess were equal to zero.

**"Fixed Rate Obligation"** means any Collateral Obligation that bears interest at a fixed rate, including a Collateral Obligation that does not bear interest on a floating rate index and whose interest rate is scheduled to increase one or more times over the life of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Floating Rate Obligation"** means any Collateral Obligation that bears interest based on a floating rate index.

**"Form-Approved Synthetic Security"** means a Synthetic Security:

- (i) (A) each of the Reference Obligations of which satisfy the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and could be purchased by the Issuer without any required action by the Rating Agencies, without satisfaction of the Rating Condition or which the Rating Agencies have otherwise approved; or
- (B) each of the Reference Obligations of which would satisfy clause (A) above but for the currency in which the Reference Obligation is payable and the Synthetic Security is payable in Dollars, does not provide for physical settlement, and does not expose the Issuer to Dollar currency risk;
- (ii) the Synthetic Security Agreement of which conforms (but for the amount and timing of periodic payments, the name of the Reference Obligation, the notional amount, the effective date, the termination date, and other similar necessary changes) to a form that has been

expressly identified and approved in writing in connection with a request under the Indenture by Moody's and S&P; and

(iii) that is with a counterparty with respect to which the Rating Condition has been satisfied by each of Moody's and S&P prior to the acquisition of any such Form-Approved Synthetic Security, and such approval has not been withdrawn.

Moody's or S&P may at any time, by notice to the Portfolio Manager, withdraw its approval of any such form. A withdrawal of approval shall have no effect on any Synthetic Security acquired, entered into, or committed to before the date on which the Portfolio Manager receives the notice of withdrawal.

**"Hedge Agreements"** means, collectively, all interest rate cap or interest rate swap agreements between the Issuer and any Hedge Counterparty, and any replacement agreement entered into pursuant to the Indenture.

**"Hedge Counterparty"** means a counterparty that satisfies the requirements of the Indenture and the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency.

**"Hedge Termination Receipt"** means any termination payment paid by the Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer upon any early termination of a Hedge Agreement with respect to which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**"High-Yield Bond"** means any debt security other than a Loan, including any Structured Finance Obligation, that is either Registered or, if not Registered, (i) it is issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States, (ii) the payments on it are not subject to United States withholding tax and (iii) it is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**"Holder"** means, with respect to any Note or Combination Security, the person whose name appears on the Indenture Register as the registered holder of the Note or Combination Security; and with respect to any Preference Share, the person whose name appears in the Preference Share register related thereto as the registered holder of such Preference Share; and with respect to any Component, the person whose name appears on the Indenture Register as the registered holder of the Combination Security representing the Component.

**"Indenture Registrar"** means the Bank in its capacity as Indenture registrar as provided in the Indenture.

**"Indenture Register"** means the register caused to be kept by the Issuer for the purpose of registering Notes and transfers of the Notes as provided in the Indenture.

**"Initial Consent Period"** means the period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee provided notice of a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of Securities.

**"Initial Rating"** means, the ratings by Moody's and S&P with respect to each Class of Notes and the Combination Securities provided in the table in "Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities."

**"Interest Period"** means, initially, the period from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the first Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date.



**"Interest Proceeds"** means, with respect to any Due Period, the sum (without duplication) of all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period (or as otherwise specified below) by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are:

- (i) payments of interest, fees, and commissions (excluding (A) Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal, (B) interest and dividends on Workout Assets, (C) fees and commissions from Defaulted Collateral Obligations, and (D) syndication and other up-front fees and any up-front fixed payments received in connection with entering into a Synthetic Security);
- (ii) any portion of the Sale Proceeds of a Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) representing Accrued Interest On Sale;
- (iii) all payments of principal on, or disposition proceeds from the sale of, Eligible Investments to the extent purchased with Interest Proceeds;
- (iv) payments with respect to the Hedge Agreements received on or before the related Payment Date (other than any amount payable thereunder because of any early termination or notional amount reduction), but not any Sale Proceeds from any of these instruments (except to the extent that they were purchased with Interest Proceeds);
- (v) all fees received pursuant to any Securities Lending Agreements;
- (vi) during the continuance of an "event of default" (under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement), all interest received from the related Securities Lending Collateral;
- (vii) amounts in the Collection Account designated for distribution as Interest Proceeds pursuant to the Priority of Payments (including any amount transferred from the Interest Reserve Account);
- (viii) all earnings on amounts in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account and the Revolving Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.3(b) of the Indenture;
- (ix) amounts in the Expense Reimbursement Account on the Payment Date for the relevant Due Period;
- (x) any recoveries (including interest) received on a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in excess of the principal balance of such Defaulted Collateral Obligation (as of the date the related Collateral Obligation became a Defaulted Collateral Obligation).

Interest Proceeds shall not include the Excluded Property and Interest Proceeds shall not include earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

Each reference in the definition of "Interest Proceeds" to a Collateral Obligation shall include a Collateral Obligation that has been loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and Interest Proceeds shall include any amounts referred to in clauses (i) through (iii) above received by the Issuer in respect of the Collateral Obligation indirectly from the related Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement.

**"Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance"** means, for any Collateral Obligation other than Deep Discount Obligations, its Principal Balance; and for any Deep Discount Obligation its Purchase Price; *provided, however*, that if any Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations exist, the Investment Criteria

Adjusted Balance for the Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations shall be the lower of (i) the weighted average Market Value of all CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances and (ii) the product of (a) 70% and (b) their respective Principal Balance.

**"Investment Obligation"** means, for a Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security, and otherwise the Collateral Obligation.

**"Issuer Charter"** means the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Issuer, as amended and restated before the Closing Date or in accordance with the Indenture.

**"Issuer Order"** and **"Issuer Request"** means a written order or request dated and signed in the name of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, or by the Portfolio Manager by an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

**"Junior Class"** means, with respect to a particular Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that is subordinated to that Class.

**"Leasing Finance Transaction"** means and transaction pursuant to which the obligations of the lessee to pay rent or other amounts on a triple net basis under any lease of (or other arrangement conveying the right to use) real or personal property, or a combination thereof, are required to be classified and accounted for as a capital lease on a balance sheet of such lessee under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America; but only if (a) such lease or other transaction provides for the unconditional obligation of the lessee to pay a stated amount of principal no later than a stated maturity date, together with interest thereon, and the payment of such obligation is not subject to any material non-credit related risk as determined by the Portfolio Manager, (b) the obligations of the lessee in respect of such lease or other transaction are fully secured, directly or indirectly, by the property that is the subject of such lease and (c) the interest held by the Issuer in respect of such lease or other transaction is treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

**"Loan"** means any interest in a fully committed, senior secured, unsecured, or revolving loan (including loans involving credit linked deposits) that is acquired by assignment or by Participation (including any DIP Loan) that is either:

- (i) Registered; or
- (ii) issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States;
  - (A) whose payments are not subject to United States withholding tax; and
  - (B) that is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**"Long-Dated Collateral Obligation"** means any Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturity of the Notes other than a Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturities of the Notes that includes a "put" option to its obligor at a price of at least par payable on or before the Stated Maturity of the Notes; *provided* that such Collateral Obligation shall in no event have a stated maturity later than two years after the Stated Maturity Date of the Notes.

**"Majority"** means, with respect to any Class or group of Notes or Combination Securities or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes, Combination Securities or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**"Margin Stock"** means "Margin Stock" as defined under Regulation U issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, including any debt security that is by its terms convertible into Margin Stock, but does not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation received pursuant to an offer by an issuer of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**"Management Agreement"** means the Portfolio Management Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Market Value"** means, as of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Portfolio Manager and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any Collateral Obligation based upon the Portfolio Manager's commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the lower of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the bid-side prices for the purchase of the Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Portfolio Manager) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Portfolio Manager); *provided* that if a Market Value of any Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined for a period of 30 consecutive days then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero; *provided, further*, that during such 30 day period, such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the lower of (i) (if any) the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as most recently determined by the Portfolio Manager in accordance with the foregoing and (ii) the current market value of such Collateral Obligation as determined by the Portfolio Manager in its commercially reasonable judgment; *provided, further*, that the maximum amount of Collateral Obligations having a Market Value assigned pursuant to the immediately preceding proviso shall be limited to 5.0% of the Maximum Investment Amount (and any amount in excess of 5.0% of the Maximum Investment Amount shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero).

**"Market Value Percentage"** means, for any Collateral Obligation, the ratio obtained by dividing:

- (i) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation; by
- (ii) the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Maximum Investment Amount"** means an amount equal to:

- (i) on any Measurement Date during the Ramp-Up Period, \$872,000,000; and
- (ii) on any Measurement Date after the Ramp-Up Completion Date:
  - (A) the aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations plus the aggregate outstanding principal amount of any Defaulted Collateral Obligations; *plus*
  - (B) cash representing Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
  - (C) Eligible Investments (other than cash) purchased by the Issuer with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account.

**"Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the sum of (i) the number set forth in the column entitled "Maximum Weighted Average

Moody's Rating Factor" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Portfolio Manager (or the interpolation between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable) *plus* (ii) the Recovery Rate Modifier.

**"Measurement Date"** means any date:

- (i) on which the Issuer commits to acquire or dispose of any Collateral Obligation;
- (ii) on which a Collateral Obligation becomes a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
- (iii) that is a Determination Date;
- (iv) that is the Ramp-Up Completion Date; and
- (v) that is the date as of which the information in a Monthly Report is calculated pursuant to the Indenture.

**"Minimum Diversity Score"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a score equal to the number set forth in the column entitled "Minimum Diversity Score" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Portfolio Manager (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**"Minimum Weighted Average Commitment Fee"** means, as of any Measurement Date, 0.40%.

**"Minimum Weighted Average Spread"** means, as of any Measurement Date, the spread equal to the percentage set forth in the row entitled "Minimum Weighted Average Spread" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Portfolio Manager (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**"Monthly Report"** means a monthly report compiled and provided by the Issuer.

**"Moody's Default Probability Rating"** means with respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (i) with respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:
  - (A) if the Loan's obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, such corporate family rating; and
  - (B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Obligation Rating of such Loan;
  - (C) if the preceding clauses do not apply, the rating that is one subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating;
- (ii) with respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a bond, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating of such Collateral Obligation;
- (iii) with respect to a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the rating that is one rating subcategory below the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof;
- (iv) with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof (or, if the obligation does not have an Assigned Moody's Rating but has a rating by S&P,

the rating that is the number of rating subcategories specified by Moody's below such S&P rating); and

- (v) with respect to a Synthetic Security, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

**"Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating"** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation that is a Loan or bond and the obligor thereof, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (i) if the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating;

- (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's "Issuer Rating" for the obligor;

- (iii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating; then

- (A) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "B3" (and, if rated "B3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one rating subcategory higher than such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

- (B) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "B3" (or rated "B3" and on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be such Assigned Moody's Rating;

- (iv) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating; then:

- (A) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "Caa3" (and, if rated "Caa3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one subcategory below such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

- (B) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "Caa3" (or rated "Caa3" and on watch for downgrade), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be "C";

- (v) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but such obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be one rating subcategory below such corporate family rating;

- (vi) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be:

- (A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(B) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; or

(C) "B3" until the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager obtains an estimated rating from Moody's of (a) the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating no lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (vi)(C), or clauses (vii)(C) or (viii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(vii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(B) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (iii) above; or

(C) "B3" until the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (a) the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (vii)(C), or clauses (vi)(C) or (viii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(viii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(B) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (iv) above; or

(C) "B3" until the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (a) the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf

applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within two Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (viii)(C), or clauses (vi)(C) or (vii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(ix) if the preceding clauses do not apply and each of the following clauses (A) through (H) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa1":

(A) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings;

(B) no debt securities or obligations of the obligor are in default;

(C) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates has defaulted on any debt during the preceding two years;

(D) the obligor has been in existence for the preceding five years;

(E) the obligor is current on any cumulative dividends;

(F) the fixed-charge ratio for the obligor exceeds 125% for each of the preceding two fiscal years and for the most recent quarter;

(G) the obligor had a net profit before tax in the past fiscal year and the most recent quarter; and

(H) the annual financial statements of such obligor are unqualified and certified by a firm of Independent accountants of international reputation, and quarterly statements are unaudited but signed by a corporate officer;

(x) if the preceding clauses do not apply but each of the following clauses (A) and (B) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa3":

(A) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings; and

(B) no debt security or obligation of such obligor has been in default during the past two years; and

(xi) if the preceding clauses do not apply and a debt security or obligation of the obligor has been in default during the past two years, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Ca."

Notwithstanding the foregoing, not more than 10% of the Maximum Investment Amount may consist of Investment Obligations given a Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating based on a rating given by S&P as provided in clauses (vi), (vii) and (viii) above.

**"Moody's Group I Country"** means any of the following countries: Australia, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group I Country.

**"Moody's Group II Country"** means any of the following countries: Germany, Ireland, Sweden, Switzerland and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group II Country.

**"Moody's Group III Country"** means any of the following countries: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, Spain and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group III Country.

**"Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the number obtained by (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate, (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations and (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

**"Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan"** means any Loan that is not a Moody's Senior Secured Loan.

**"Moody's Obligation Rating"** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (i) With respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:
  - (A) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or
  - (B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the rating that is one rating subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and
- (ii) With respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a bond:
  - (A) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or
  - (B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and
- (iii) With respect to a Synthetic Security or a DIP Loan, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

**"Moody's Priority Category"** means each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" as a "Moody's Priority Category."

**"Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate"** means for any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" opposite the Moody's Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Rating"** means the Moody's Default Probability Rating; *provided* that, with respect to the Collateral Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or any successor to it ceases to provide rating services, references to rating categories of Moody's in the Indenture shall be deemed instead to be references to the equivalent categories of any other nationally recognized investment rating agency selected by the Portfolio Manager, as of the most recent date on which such other rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which such alternative rating agency is used.



**"Moody's Rating Factor"** means the number in the table below opposite the rating of the Collateral Obligation (excluding Synthetic Securities where an Assigned Moody's Rating is not available).

<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>	<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>
Aaa	1	Ba1	940
Aa1	10	Ba2	1350
Aa2	20	Ba3	1766
Aa3	40	B1	2220
A1	70	B2	2720
A2	120	B3	3490
A3	180	Caa1	4770
Baa1	260	Caa2	6500
Baa2	360	Caa3	8070
Baa3	610	Ca or lower	10000

The Moody's Rating Factor for Collateral Obligations that are Synthetic Securities shall be determined by Moody's and obtained by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on a case-by-case basis, unless there is an Assigned Moody's Rating available for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, in which case such Assigned Moody's Rating shall be used to compute the Moody's Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security.

**"Moody's Senior Secured Loan"** means:

- (i) A Loan that:
  - (A) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan;
  - (B) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan; and
  - (C) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal seniority secured by a first lien or security interest in the same collateral; or

(ii) a Loan that:

(A) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan, other than, with respect to a Loan described in clause (i) above, with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such loan;

(B) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan; and

(C) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by a first or second lien or security interest in the same collateral;

(iii) the Loan is not: (A) a DIP Loan, (B) a Loan for which the security interest or lien (or the validity or effectiveness thereof) in substantially all of its collateral attaches, becomes effective, or otherwise "springs" into existence after the origination thereof, or (C) a type of loan that Moody's has identified as having unusual terms and with respect to which its Moody's Recovery Rate has been or is to be determined on a case-by-case basis; and

(iv) if the Loan is a Second Lien Loan under clause (ii) above, such Loan has an Assigned Moody's Rating that is not lower than the corporate family rating by Moody's of the related obligor.

**"Non-Consenting Holder"** means in connection with any supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, with respect to the Holders of the Securities, any such Holder or, in the case of such Securities represented by Global Securities, any beneficial owner thereof, that either (i) has declared in writing that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) had not consented to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period; *provided* that, during the Non-Call Period, "Non-Consenting Holder" shall exclude any Holder or, in the case of Securities represented by Global Securities, beneficial owner, of the Class A-1 Notes, unless such Holder or beneficial owner shall have consented in writing to the designation as a Non-Consenting Holder.

**"Non-Performing Collateral Obligation"** means any Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any PIK Security as to which its issuer or obligor has previously deferred or capitalized any interest due on it and all the interest so deferred or capitalized has not subsequently been paid in full in cash by:

(i) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above, the earlier of its second payment date or one year following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it; or

(ii) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "Baa3," or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "BBB-," the earlier of its first payment date or six months following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it.

**"Notes"** means the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**"Noteholder"** means a Holder of any Class of Notes.

**"Note Payment Sequence"** means the application of funds in the following order:

- (1) to the Class A-1 Notes until the Class A-1 Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (2) to the Class A-2 Notes until the Class A-2 Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (3) to the Class B Notes until the Class B Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (4) to the Class C Notes until the Class C Notes have been fully redeemed; and
- (5) to the Class D Notes until the Class D Notes have been fully redeemed.

**"Offer"** means any Collateral Obligation that is subject to a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion or other similar action.

**"Officer"** means, with respect to the Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to the Co-Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to any partnership, any of its general partners; and with respect to the Trustee, any Trust Officer.

**"Outstanding"** means, with respect to: (i) the Notes and the Combination Securities or any specified Class, as of any date of determination, all of the Notes, all of the Combination Securities, or all of the Notes or Combination Securities of the specified Class, as the case may be, theretofore authenticated and delivered under the Indenture, except with respect to Notes and Combination Securities:

(A) Notes and Combination Securities canceled by the Indenture Registrar or delivered to the Indenture Registrar for cancellation;

(B) Notes for whose payment or redemption funds in the necessary amount have been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any paying agent in trust for their Holders pursuant to Section 4.1(a)(ii) of the Indenture and if the Notes are to be redeemed, notice of redemption has been duly given pursuant to the Indenture;

(C) Notes in exchange for or in lieu of which other Notes have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to the Indenture and Combination Securities in exchange for or in lieu of which other Combination Securities or Notes relating to their Components have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to the Indenture; and

(D) Securities alleged to have been destroyed, lost, or stolen for which replacement Securities have been issued as provided in Section 2.7 of the Indenture, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Securities are held by a protected purchaser;

(ii) the Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Preference Share Documents and listed in the Preference Share register of the Issuer as outstanding:

*provided* that, in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes, the Preference Shares or the Combination Securities have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, or waiver under the Indenture: (1) the Holders of Combination

Securities shall be entitled to voting rights in respect of their Preference Share Components in the proportion that the Face Amount of their Preference Share Components bears to the Face Amount of Preference Shares and shall not have voting rights as a separate Class except to the extent otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture; (2) the Holders of the Class 1 Combination Securities shall be entitled to voting rights in respect of their Class 1 Note Components in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of their Class 1 Note Components bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes and shall not have voting rights as a separate Class except to the extent otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture; and (3) Securities owned or beneficially owned by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, any Affiliate of either of them and (only (x) with respect to any matter affecting its status as Portfolio Manager, or (y) in any matter respecting an acceleration of any Class of Notes or Preference Shares if the effect of the Portfolio Manager's action or inaction as a Holder of Notes or Preference Shares would effectively prevent acceleration) the Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates and any accounts over which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority shall be disregarded and not be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, or waiver, only Notes or Preference Shares that a Trust Officer of the Trustee has actual knowledge to be so owned or beneficially owned shall be so disregarded. Notes, Combination Securities or Preference Shares so owned or beneficially owned that have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee the pledgee's right so to act with respect to the Notes, Combination Securities or Preference Shares and that the pledgee is not the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any Affiliate of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

**"Participating Institution"** means an institution that creates a participation interest and that has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" (and if so rated by Moody's such rating is not on watch for possible downgrade) and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A".

**"Participation"** means a Loan acquired as a participation interest created by a Participating Institution.

**"Permitted Offer"** means a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion, or other similar action pursuant to which the offeror offers to acquire a debt obligation (including a Collateral Obligation) in exchange solely for cash in an amount equal to or greater than the full face amount of the debt obligation plus any accrued and unpaid interest and as to which the Portfolio Manager has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the offeror has sufficient access to financing to consummate the tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion, or other similar action.

**"PIK Security"** means any Collateral Obligation with respect to which its issuer or obligor may defer or capitalize all of the interest due on the Collateral Obligation under the related underlying instruments.

**"Pledged Obligations"** means, as of any date of determination, the Collateral Obligations, the Workout Assets, the Eligible Investments, and any other securities or obligations that have been granted to the Trustee that form part of the Collateral.

**"Person"** is an individual, corporation (including a business trust), partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust (including any beneficiary thereof), unincorporated association or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

**"Preference Share Components"** means the Class 1 Combination Security Preference Share Component and/or the Class 2 Combination Security Preference Share Component, as applicable.

**"Preference Share Internal Rate of Return"** means, with respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the "XIRR" function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for the following cash flows, assuming all Preference Shares were purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount:

- (i) each distribution of Interest Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date; and
- (ii) each distribution of Principal Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date.

**"Preference Shares Distribution Account"** means a separate segregated non interest bearing trust account established by the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deposit all amounts received from the Issuer and payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares under the Priority of Payments.

**"Preference Shares Paying Agent"** means JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, in its capacity as Preference Shares Paying Agent under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter "Preference Shares Paying Agent" shall mean such successor person.

**"Principal Balance"** means, with respect to:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those specifically covered in this definition, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Pledged Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest, zero, except as otherwise expressly specified in the Indenture;
- (iv) any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, except as otherwise provided, zero;
- (v) any Collateral Obligation that has been loaned, its Principal Balance shall be reduced by the excess of the amount of collateral required over the actual Market Value of the collateral;
- (vi) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance shall include any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount), except as otherwise expressly specified in the Indenture;
- (vii) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance shall not include any principal amount of the PIK Security representing previously deferred or capitalized interest; and
- (viii) any obligation or security that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, zero.

**"Principal Proceeds"** means with respect to any Due Period (i) all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are not Interest Proceeds and (ii) the net proceeds received from any additional issuance of Preference Shares.

Principal Proceeds shall include any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account into the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.2 of the Indenture.

Principal Proceeds do not include the Excluded Property or earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

At any time when an "event of default" under a Securities Lending Agreement has occurred and is continuing, any payments received by the Issuer from the related Securities Lending Collateral shall be Principal Proceeds.

**"Priority Class"** means, with respect to any specified Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that ranks senior to that Class.

**"Proceeding"** means any suit in equity, action at law, or other judicial or administrative proceeding.

**"Proposed Portfolio"** means, as of any Measurement Date, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations and Principal Proceeds held as cash on deposit in the Collection Account and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account resulting from the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or a proposed reinvestment in a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**"Purchase Price"** means, with respect to the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (other than any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation), the net purchase price paid by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation. The net purchase price is determined by subtracting from the purchase price the amount of any Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal and any syndication and other upfront fees paid to the Issuer and by adding the amount of any related transaction costs (including assignment fees) paid by the Issuer to the seller of the Collateral Obligation or its agent.

**"Purchase Price Amount"** means, respect to any Collateral Obligation on any date of determination, the product of (i) the Purchase Price (stated as a percentage) thereof and (ii) the Principal Balance thereof on such date.

**"Qualified Equity Security"** means any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that is stock or evidence of an interest in or a right to buy stock, or any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation but whose acquisition otherwise is a transaction in stocks or securities within the meaning of Section 864(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Code and the regulations under the Code. Qualified Equity Securities do not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation and that will cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in or having income from a United States trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes by virtue of its ownership or disposition of the obligation (without regard to the Issuer's other activities).

**"Ramp-Up Period"** means the period from and including the Closing Date to and including the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

**"Rating Agency"** means, each of Moody's and S&P or, with respect to Pledged Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or S&P ceases to provide rating services with respect to high yield debt securities, any other nationally recognized statistical rating organization selected by the Issuer and reasonably satisfactory to a Majority of each Class of Notes. If at any time Moody's ceases to be a Rating

Agency, references to rating categories of Moody's in the Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used. If at any time S&P ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of S&P in the Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and S&P published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used.

**"Rating Condition"** means, with respect to any Rating Agency and any action taken or to be taken under the Indenture, a condition that is satisfied when the Rating Agency has confirmed to the Portfolio Manager (as agent for the Issuer) in writing that no withdrawal, reduction, suspension, or other adverse action with respect to any then current rating by it (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes will occur as a result of the action. The Rating Condition with respect to any Rating Agency shall be satisfied for all purposes of the Indenture at any time when no Outstanding Securities are rated by it.

**"Rating Confirmation"** means confirmation from each Rating Agency (and with respect to the Combination Securities, from Moody's only) that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Securities.

**"Ratings Matrix"** means the "row/column combination" of the table below selected by the Portfolio Manager on the Closing Date to apply initially for purposes of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test. Thereafter, on notice to the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager may select a different row of the Ratings Matrix to apply, or may interpolate between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable, on a straight-line basis and round the results to two decimal points.

Minimum Weighted Average Spread	Minimum Diversity Score						
	50	55	60	65	70	75	80
2.25%	2110	2140	2170	2200	2230	2260	2290
2.35%	2170	2200	2230	2260	2290	2320	2350
2.45%	2230	2260	2290	2320	2350	2380	2410
2.55%	2290	2320	2350	2380	2410	2440	2470
2.65%	2350	2380	2410	2440	2470	2500	2530
2.75%	2410	2440	2470	2500	2530	2560	2590
2.85%	2470	2500	2530	2560	2590	2620	2650
2.95%	2530	2560	2590	2620	2650	2680	2710
3.05%	2590	2620	2650	2680	2710	2740	2770
Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor							

**"Recovery Rate Modifier"** means, as of any Measurement Date, the lesser of 60 and the product of:

(i) (a) the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate *minus* the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test (but not less than zero) *multiplied* by (b) 100; and

(ii) 40.

**"Redemption Date"** means any Payment Date specified for an Optional Redemption under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption."

**"Redemption Price"** means, with respect to any Note and any Optional Redemption, an amount equal to:

- (i) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of the Note being redeemed; *plus*
- (ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest); *plus*
- (iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note; *plus*
- (iv) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

With respect to any Preference Share and any Optional Redemption, "Redemption Price" means (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares of the remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications pursuant to the Priority of Payments or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case as specified in "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares."

**"Reference Obligation"** means an obligation that would otherwise satisfy the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and on which a Synthetic Security is based.

**"Registered"** means, with respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment, means that it is issued after July 18, 1984 and is in registered form within the meaning of Section 881(c)(2)(B)(i) of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.

**"Regulation D"** means Regulation D under the Securities Act.

**"Reinvestment Overcollateralization Ratio"** means, as of any Measurement Date, the ratio obtained by dividing: (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator by (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes, excluding any Deferred Interest on any Class of Notes.

**"Removal Buy-Out Purchaser"** means the Portfolio Manager (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent).

**"Revolving Loan"** means a Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation (in each case excluding any Delayed Drawdown Loan) that requires the Issuer to make future advances to (or for the account of) the borrower under its underlying instruments (including any letter of credit for which the Issuer is required to reimburse the issuing bank for under it). A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Revolving Loan for so long as its commitment amount is greater than zero.

**"S&P CDO Monitor"** means a dynamic, analytical computer model developed by S&P and provided to the Portfolio Manager and the Collateral Administrator to be used to calculate the default frequency in terms of the amount of debt assumed to default as a percentage of the original principal amount of the Collateral Obligations consistent with a specified benchmark rating level based on certain assumptions and S&P's proprietary corporate default studies. For the purpose (and only for the purpose) of applying the S&P CDO Monitor to a portfolio of obligations, for each obligation in the portfolio, the rating of the obligation shall be its S&P Rating.

**"S&P Industry Classification"** means the S&P Industry Classifications in Schedule 3 of the Indenture as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by S&P.



**"S&P Priority Category"** means each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" as an "S&P Priority Category."

**"S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate"** means, for any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" opposite the S&P Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**"S&P Rating"** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following methodology:

(i) If there is an issuer credit rating of the borrower of the Collateral Obligation (the **"Borrower"**), or the guarantor who unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the Collateral Obligation (the **"Guarantor"**) by S&P, the most current issuer credit rating for such Borrower or Guarantor;

(ii) (a) if there is not an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation will be one subcategory below such rating; (b) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior unsecured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be such rating; and (c) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a subordinated obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be two subcategories above such rating if such rating is "BBB-" or higher and will be one subcategory above such rating if such rating is "BB+" or lower; or

(iii) if there is neither an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P nor a rating by S&P on an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating may be determined using any one of the methods below:

(A) if an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is publicly rated by Moody's, then the S&P Rating will be determined in accordance with the methodologies for establishing the Moody's Default Probability Rating, except that the S&P Rating of such obligation will be (1) one subcategory below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Baa3" or higher by Moody's and (2) two subcategories below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Bal" or lower by Moody's; *provided* that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount (which concentration may be increased to 10% upon satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to S&P) may be given a S&P Rating based on a rating given by Moody's as provided in this subclause (A) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

(B) if no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's, then the Portfolio Manager may apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating estimate, which will be its S&P Rating; or

(C) (1) if such Collateral Obligation (other than a Current-Pay Obligation) is not rated by Moody's or S&P, no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's and if the Portfolio Manager determines in good faith based on information available to it after reasonable inquiry that such Borrower (x) is not subject to any bankruptcy or reorganization proceedings nor in default on any of its obligations (unless the subject of a good faith business dispute), (y) is a legally

constituted corporate entity having the minimum legal, financial and operational infrastructure to carry on a definable business, deliver and sell a product or service and report its results in generally accepted accounting terms as verified by a reputable audit firm and (z) is not so vulnerable to adverse business, financial and economic conditions that default in its financial or other obligations is foreseeable in the near term if current operating trends continue, then the S&P Rating will be "B-"; *provided* that the Portfolio Manager must apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating on such Borrower within 30 days after the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation; *provided, further*, that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount may be given an S&P Rating based on this subclause (C) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable) or (2) if such Collateral Obligation is a Current-Pay Obligation and is not rated by Moody's or S&P and no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's, then the S&P Rating will be "CCC-";

*provided* that, if (i) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any positive "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be increased by one rating subcategory or (ii) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any negative "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be decreased by one rating subcategory.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the S&P Rating shall be (A) the rating assigned thereto by S&P if the rating is public, (B) the rating assigned by S&P if the rating is confidential, but only if all appropriate parties have provided written consent to its disclosure and use, (C) the rating assigned by S&P thereto through an estimated rating or (D) the rating assigned thereto by S&P in connection with the acquisition thereof upon the request of the Portfolio Manager. In the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a PIK Security or Structured Finance Obligation, the S&P Rating may not be determined pursuant to clause (iii)(A) above.

S&P Ratings for entities or obligations relevant hereunder other than Borrowers and Collateral Obligations shall be determined in a corresponding manner.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if and for so long as the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations consisting in the aggregate of (x) Participations and (y) Synthetic Securities exceeds 20% of the Maximum Investment Amount, then the S&P Rating for the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations representing that excess (determined assuming the excess is comprised of the Collateral Obligations having the lowest S&P Ratings that would otherwise be applicable as determined above) shall be the S&P Rating one sub-category below the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be applicable as determined above.

**"S&P Recovery Rating"** means, with respect to a Collateral Obligation for which an S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate is being determined, the "Recovery Rating" assigned by S&P to such Collateral Obligation based upon the following table:

Recovery Rating	Recovery of Principal
1+	Highest expectation of full recovery of principal
1	High expectation of full recovery of principal
2	Substantial recovery of principal
3	Meaningful recovery of principal

Recovery Rating	Recovery of Principal
4	Marginal recovery of principal
5	Negligible recovery of principal

**"S&P Unrated DIP Loan"** means a DIP Loan acquired by the Issuer that does not have a rating assigned by S&P and for which the Portfolio Manager has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P (as specified in the definition of "DIP Loan").

**"Sale Proceeds"** means all proceeds received (including any proceeds received with respect to any associated interest rate swap or security providing fixed annuity payments ) with respect to Collateral Obligations or other Pledged Obligations as a result of their sales or other dispositions less any reasonable expenses expended by the Portfolio Manager or the Trustee in connection with the sales or other dispositions, which shall be paid from such proceeds notwithstanding their characterization otherwise as Administrative Expenses.

**"Second Lien Loan"** means a Secured Loan (other than a Senior Secured Loan) that (i) is only subordinated in right of payment to the Senior Secured Loan and (ii) has a junior contractual claim on tangible property (which property is subject to a prior lien (other than customary permitted liens, as such, but not limited to, any tax liens)) to secure payment of a debt or the fulfillment of a contractual obligation.

**"Secondary Risk Counterparty"** means any obligor Domiciled other than in the United States, any Participating Institution, any Synthetic Security Counterparty and any Securities Lending Counterparty.

**"Secondary Risk Table"** means the table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty		Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
Moody's	S&P		
Aaa	AAA	20.0%	20.0%
Aa1	AA+	10.0%	10.0%
Aa2	AA	10.0%	10.0%
Aa3	AA-	10.0%	10.0%
A1	A+	5.0%	10.0%
A2 or below	A or below	0.0%	0.0%

If any Secondary Risk Counterparty's long-term senior unsecured debt rating or short-term rating is on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P, then for the purposes of the table above, its rating by the Rating Agency putting its rating on credit watch shall be one rating notch lower for that Rating Agency.

**"Secured Loan "** means a Loan that (i) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**"Secured Parties"** means the Noteholders, the Combination Securityholders, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager and each Hedge Counterparty.

**"Securities Lending Collateral"** means Cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the relevant Securities Lending Agreement and that are pledged by a Securities Lending Counterparty as collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement.

**"Selected Collateral Quality Tests"** means Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Life Test (after taking into consideration any applicable Maturity Extension), the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the Diversity Test.

**"Senior Secured Loan"** means a Secured Loan that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a first priority security interest in collateral and with respect to which the Portfolio Manager determines that the value of the collateral securing such Secured Loan equal or exceeds the outstanding principal balance of the loan plus the aggregate outstanding balances of all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by the same collateral.

**"Senior Unsecured Loan"** means a Loan that is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**"Spread Excess"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose (i) numerator is the product of (A) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date over the Minimum Weighted Average Spread specified in the applicable row of the Ratings Matrix and (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date and (ii) denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date. In computing the Spread Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Fixed Rate Excess were equal to zero.

**"Structured Finance Obligation"** means any obligation:

(i) secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool of receivables or other assets of U.S. obligors, or obligors organized or incorporated in Moody's Group I Countries, Moody's Group II Countries or Moody's Group III Countries, including portfolio credit default swaps, synthetic collateralized debt obligations, and collateralized debt obligations, but excludes:

- (A) residential mortgage-backed securities;
- (B) collateralized debt obligations backed by Emerging Market Securities;
- (C) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by asset-backed securities;
- (D) market value collateralized debt obligations;
- (E) securities backed by "future flow" receivables;
- (F) securities backed by "trust preferred securities";

- (G) net interest margin securitizations;
- (H) collateralized debt obligations backed by other collateralized debt obligations;
- (I) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by one or more credit default swaps (i.e. "synthetic CDOs"); and
- (J) collateralized debt obligations a significant portion of which are backed by bonds;
- (ii) that has an S&P Rating and an S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate;
- (iii) that has a rating and a Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate assigned by Moody's; and
- (iv) whose ownership or disposition (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) by the Issuer will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes. Compliance with Schedule 8 of the Indenture will be deemed to satisfy this requirement.

In connection with the purchase of a Structured Finance Obligation, the Portfolio Manager shall obtain from Moody's the applicable Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate.

For purposes of the Diversity Test, multiple Structured Finance Obligations from CDOs managed by the same Portfolio Manager or multiple Structured Finance Obligations issued by the same master trust will be considered to be obligations of one issuer.

**"Subordinated Lien Loan"** means a Secured Loan secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**"Subscription Agreement"** means a subscription agreement dated between a purchaser and the Issuer, entered into on or before the Closing Date for the subscription of a specified principal amount of Notes or number of Preference Shares.

**"Super Majority"** means, with respect to any Class or group of Notes, Combination Securities or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes, Combination Securities or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**"Synthetic Security"** means any swap transaction, structured bond investment, credit linked note, or other derivative financial instrument relating to a debt instrument (but excluding any such instrument relating directly to a basket or portfolio of debt instruments) or an index or indices (such as the "SAMI" index published by Credit Suisse First Boston) in connection with a basket or portfolio of debt instruments or other similar instruments entered into by the Issuer with a Synthetic Security Counterparty that has in the Portfolio Manager's commercially reasonable judgment, equivalent expected loss characteristics (those characteristics, "**credit risk**") to those of the related Reference Obligations (taking account of those considerations as they relate to the Synthetic Security Counterparty), if (i) it is either a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied, and (ii) the Reference Obligations thereof have a weighted average Market Value of at least 80% at the time the Synthetic Security is entered into.

The maturity, interest rate, and other non-credit characteristics of a Synthetic Security may be different from the Reference Obligations to which the credit risk of the Synthetic Security relates.

No Synthetic Security shall require the Issuer to make any payment to the Synthetic Security Counterparty after its initial purchase other than any payments represented by the release of any cash collateral posted by the Issuer from the Collection Account to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of the posted cash collateral. Collateral may be posted only to a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account. No Synthetic Security shall result in the Issuer being a "buyer" of credit protection.

The term Synthetic Security shall not include any Structured Finance Obligation or any Participation, but the Reference Obligation of a Synthetic Security may be a Structured Finance Obligation.

Any Synthetic Security shall be positively indexed to the Reference Obligation on no more than a one-for-one basis (i.e. unleveraged credit exposure).

Each Synthetic Security Agreement shall (i) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those contained in the Indenture and (ii) include provisions satisfying the provisions of the Indenture and contain the limitations described under "Security for the Notes and the Combination Securities—Synthetic Securities".

The ownership or disposition of any Synthetic Security (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) must not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes. Compliance with Schedule 8 of the Indenture will be deemed to satisfy this requirement.

Unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" under any proposed Synthetic Security must not provide that its transfer to the Issuer is subject to obtaining any consents and must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation and satisfy the Concentration Limitations under the Indenture, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event" and if the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security is a Senior Secured Loan then the "deliverable obligation" under the Synthetic Security must also be a Senior Secured Loan.

Synthetic Securities that are credit default swaps, credit linked notes, or other similar instruments may not provide for "restructuring" as a "credit event".

For purposes of the Coverage Tests and the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test, unless the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied in respect of any proposed alternative treatment, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in the Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating

compliance with the Concentration Limitations relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in the Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligation.

With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, for purposes of: (i) calculating compliance with the Diversity Test, the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test, and the Concentration Limitations (other than limits relating to payment characteristics and except for clauses 20 and 20(a) of the definition of "Concentration Limitations"), and all related definitions, and (ii) any other provision or definition of the Indenture involving a determination with respect to a Reference Obligation, the characteristics of such Reference Obligations shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct investment by the Issuer in each such Reference Obligation in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation. In addition, each Reference Obligation under such Synthetic Security shall be assigned a Moody's Rating Factor equal to the sum of the Moody's Rating Factor of (i) the related Reference Obligor, (ii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty of such Synthetic Security and (iii) the Synthetic Security Collateral of such Synthetic Security. In addition, the Moody's Priority Category Rate in respect of a Synthetic Security referencing multiple Reference Obligations pursuant to this paragraph shall be the Moody's Priority Category Rate as assigned by Moody's to each Reference Obligation underlying such Synthetic Security. For the avoidance of doubt, Reference Obligations upon which a Synthetic Security is based as described in this paragraph must meet the definition of "Collateral Obligation" to the extent provided in this definition.

If the Rating Condition must be satisfied to execute the purchase of any Synthetic Security, the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, shall give each applicable Rating Agency not less than 5 days' prior notice of the purchase of or entry into any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Agreement"** means the documentation governing any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Collateral"** means, respect to any Synthetic Security, amounts posted to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account by the Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its obligations under the Synthetic Security, including (i) all Eligible Investments or (ii) investments that satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's, in each case that mature no later than the Stated Maturity, in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account that are purchased with Synthetic Security Collateral.

**"Synthetic Security Counterparty"** means any entity required to make payments on a Synthetic Security to the extent that a reference obligor makes payments on a related Reference Obligation and meeting the Synthetic Security Counterparty Ratings Requirement.

**"Synthetic Security Counterparty Ratings Requirement"** means, with respect to the Synthetic Security Counterparty and in respect of a Synthetic Security, a requirement that is satisfied if, at the time the Issuer enters into such Synthetic Security Agreement, the related Synthetic Security Counterparty has a senior unsecured credit rating assigned by S&P for short-term debt of at least "A-1+" or a senior unsecured credit rating assigned by S&P for long-term debt of at least "AA-".

**"Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction"** means one of the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the Netherlands Antilles or the tax advantaged jurisdiction of the Channel Islands, or such other jurisdiction that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto.

**"Tax Event"** means an event that occurs if either:

(i) (A) one or more Collateral Obligations that were not subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them have become subject to withholding tax or the rate of withholding has increased on one or more Collateral Obligations that were subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them and (B) in any Due Period, the aggregate of the payments subject to withholding tax on new withholding tax obligations and the increase in payments subject to withholding tax on increased rate withholding tax obligations, in each case to the extent not "grossed-up" (on an after-tax basis) by the related obligor, represent 5% or more of Interest Proceeds for the Due Period; or

(ii) taxes, fees, assessments, or other similar charges are imposed on the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in an aggregate amount in any twelve-month period in excess of U.S.\$2,000,000, other than liabilities for withholding taxes included in clause (i) above.

**"Treasury Regulations"** means regulations, including proposed or temporary regulations, promulgated under the Code. References herein to specific provisions of proposed or temporary regulations shall include analogous provisions of final Treasury Regulations or other successor Treasury Regulations.

**"Trust Officer"** means, when used with respect to the Trustee, any officer in the Corporate Trust Office (or any successor group of the Trustee) including any director, vice president, assistant vice president, associate, or any other officer of the Trustee customarily performing functions similar to those performed by such officers in the Corporate Trust Office, or to whom any corporate trust matter is referred at the Corporate Trust Office because of his knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject and having direct responsibility for the administration of this Indenture.

**"UCC"** means the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the State of New York, and as amended from time to time.

**"Underlying Instrument"** means the loan agreement, indenture, credit agreement, or other agreement pursuant to which a Pledged Obligation has been issued or created and each other agreement that governs the terms of or secures the obligations represented by the Pledged Obligation or of which the holders of the Pledged Obligation are the beneficiaries.

**"Unscheduled Principal Payments"** means any principal payments received with respect to a Collateral Obligation as a result of optional redemptions, exchange offers, tender offers, other payments or prepayments made at the option of the issuer thereof or that are otherwise not scheduled to be made thereunder.

**"Valuation Report"** means the accounting report, determined as of the close of business on each Determination Date, rendered in accordance with the terms of the Indenture.

**"Weighted Average Commitment Fee"** means, as of any Measurement Date, an amount (rounded up to the next 0.001%) equal to the weighted average commitment fee on all Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans determined by dividing (i) the aggregate of all scheduled amounts (other than interest) of commitment fees or facility fees payable on the unfunded amount of all Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans held by the Issuer as of such Measurement Date by (ii) the aggregate unfunded amount of all Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans held by the Issuer as of such Measurement Date; *provided* that if such quotient is less than the Minimum Weighted Average Commitment Fee for such Measurement Date, there shall be added to the amount set forth in clause (i) above an amount equal to the Spread Excess, if any, as of such Measurement Date (less any portion of the Spread Excess that has been added to the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon as of such Measurement Date pursuant to clause (iv) of the definition of "Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon"), and the



Weighted Average Commitment Fee as of such Measurement Date shall be the amount calculated after giving effect to such addition.

**"Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon"** means, as of any Measurement Date, the rate obtained by:

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Fixed Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum rate at which it pays interest (other than, with respect to Collateral Obligations that are not PIK Securities, any interest that is not required to be paid in Cash and may be deferred), using only the effective after-tax interest rate determined by the Portfolio Manager on any Fixed Rate Obligation after taking into account any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction and any gross-up paid by the obligor);

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);

(iii) dividing the sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations that are Fixed Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, adding to the sum the amount of any Spread Excess as of the Measurement Date, but only to the extent required to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test.

**"Weighted Average Life"** means, as of any Measurement Date the number obtained by (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying (A) the Average Life at that time of each Collateral Obligation by (B) the Principal Balance at that time of the Collateral Obligation and (ii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance at that time of all Collateral Obligations.

**"Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor"** means the summation of the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation (excluding Eligible Investments) by its respective Moody's Rating Factor, dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) and rounding the result up to the nearest whole number.

**"Weighted Average Spread"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate obtained by:

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Floating Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum overall rate at which it pays interest (other than, with respect to Collateral Obligations that are not PIK Securities, any interest that is not required to be paid in Cash and may be deferred), determined with respect to any Floating Rate Obligation that does not bear interest based on a three month London interbank offered rate, by expressing the current interest rate on the Floating Rate Obligation as a spread above a three month London interbank offered rate calculated in a manner consistent with the calculation of LIBOR;

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);

(iii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to pass the Weighted Average Spread Test, adding to that sum the amount of Fixed Rate Excess as of the Measurement Date.

For purposes of calculating the Weighted Average Spread, the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall not include any of its unfunded amount.

**"Workout Assets"** means a Loan, High-Yield Bond, or Qualified Equity Security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation that the Issuer does not advance any funds to purchase that does not qualify as a Collateral Obligation.

**"Zero-Coupon Security"** means a security that, at the time of determination, does not make periodic payments of interest. A Zero-Coupon Security shall not include a security that is a PIK Security.

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Trustee

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**INDENTURE**

Dated as of October 13, 2005

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**COLLATERALIZED DEBT OBLIGATIONS**

U.S. \$620,000,000 Class A-1 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2017  
U.S. \$28,000,000 Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2017  
U.S. \$60,500,000 Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2017  
U.S. \$51,000,000 Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2017  
U.S. \$49,500,000 Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2017  
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Indenture, dated as of October 13, 2005, among GLENEAGLES CLO, LTD. (the "**Issuer**"), GLENEAGLES CLO CORP. (the "**Co-Issuer**") and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as trustee (together with its permitted successors, the "**Trustee**").

#### PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

The Co-Issuers are duly authorized to execute and deliver this Indenture to provide for the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes and the Issuer is duly authorized to execute and deliver this Indenture to provide for the Combination Securities, in each case issuable as provided in this Indenture. All covenants and agreements made by the Co-Issuers in this Indenture are for the benefit and security of the Secured Parties. The Co-Issuers are entering into this Indenture, and the Trustee is accepting the trusts created by this Indenture, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged.

All things necessary to make this Indenture a valid agreement of the Co-Issuers in accordance with the agreement's terms have been done.

#### GRANTING CLAUSES

The Issuer Grants to the Trustee, for the benefit and security of the Noteholders, the Combination Securityholders, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager and each Hedge Counterparty (collectively, the "**Secured Parties**"), all of its right, title, and interest in, to, and under, in each case, whether now owned or existing, or hereafter acquired or arising:

(a) the Collateral Obligations (listed, as of the Closing Date, in Schedule 1 to this Indenture and as such Schedule 1 may be modified, amended and revised subsequent to the Closing Date by the Issuer) and all Workout Assets, including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles (as defined in the UCC) relating thereto, all payments made or to be made thereon or with respect thereto, and all Collateral Obligations and Workout Assets including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles (as defined in the UCC) relating thereto, which are delivered or credited to the Trustee, or for which a Security Entitlement is delivered or credited to the Trustee or which are credited to one or more of the Issuer Accounts on or after the Closing Date and all payments made or to be made thereon or with respect thereto;

(b) the Custodial Account, the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, and the Securities Lending Account (collectively, the "**Issuer Accounts**"), Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, and all income from the investment of funds in the Issuer Accounts;

(c) the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account (and together with the Issuer Accounts, the "**Accounts**") and assets included therein, subject to the terms of the related Synthetic Security (provided, however, that any such rights in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee (or Securities Intermediary) first to secure the Issuer's payment obligations to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty and second for the benefit of the Secured Parties);

(d) the Management Agreement, the Securities Lending Agreements, the Hedge Agreements as set forth in Article 15, the Collateral Administration Agreement to the extent of any rights of the Issuer therein;

(e) all Cash or money delivered to the Trustee (or its bailee);



(f) all securities, investments, investment property, instruments, money and agreements of any nature in which the Issuer has an interest (except for money, securities and investments in the Issuer's bank account in the Cayman Islands), including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles (as defined in the UCC) relating thereto; and

(g) all proceeds with respect to the foregoing;

(all of the property and assets described in foregoing clauses (a) through (g), but excluding the Class 2 Collateral and the Excluded Property, the "**Collateral**").

The Issuer as a second and separate grant Grants to the Trustee, for the benefit and security solely of the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities (solely to the extent of their Class 2 Component), all of its right, title and interest in, to and under, in each case, whether now owned or existing, or hereafter acquired or arising, the Class 2 Component Account (including, without limitation, the Class 2 Bond) and any property of any type deposited into the Class 2 Component Account and all proceeds with respect to the foregoing (all of the foregoing, the "**Class 2 Collateral**").

These Grants are not intended to and do not transfer any liability under the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral, which liabilities shall remain the sole obligation of the Issuer. These Grants are made, however, in trust as separate trusts, to secure the Notes, the Class 2 Components and the Class 1 Note Components in the case of the first grant, and only the Class 2 Components in the case of the second grant. Except as provided in Article 13 and the priorities set forth in the Priority of Payments, the Notes, the Class 2 Components and the Class 1 Note Components are secured by the first grant equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction between any Note, Class 2 Component or Class 1 Note Component and any other Note, Class 2 Component or Class 1 Note Component because of difference in time of issuance or otherwise. The Class 2 Component is secured by the second grant equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction because of difference in time of issuance or otherwise. The Grants are made to secure, in accordance with the priorities in the Priority of Payments, 11.2 and Article 13:

(i) the payment of all amounts due on the Notes, the Class 2 Components and the Class 1 Note Components equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction between any Note, Class 2 Component or Class 1 Note Component and any other Note, Class 2 Component or Class 1 Note Component because of difference in time of issuance or otherwise, in accordance with their terms;

(ii) the payment of all other sums payable under this Indenture (other than amounts payable in respect of the Preference Shares);

(iii) the payment of sums payable to any Hedge Counterparty under a Hedge Agreement;

(iv) the payment of sums payable to the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement; and

(v) compliance with this Indenture;

(collectively, the "**Secured Obligations**"), all as provided in this Indenture.

The Trustee acknowledges the Grants, accepts the trusts under this Indenture in accordance with this Indenture, and agrees to perform its duties in this Indenture in accordance with the provisions hereof.

## ARTICLE 1

### DEFINITIONS

#### Section 1.1. *Definitions.*

Except as otherwise specified in this Indenture or as the context may otherwise require, the following terms have the respective meanings provided below for all purposes of this Indenture. Payments or distributions made or to be made on the Combination Securities in respect of their Components are referred to as payments made or to be made on the Class 2 Components, the Class 1 Note Components and the Preference Share Components, as the case may be.

Except as otherwise specified herein or as the context may otherwise require or dictate or unless the Combination Securities are explicitly addressed in the same context, (A) all references in this Indenture to the "Notes" include the "Class 1 Note Component" of the Class 1 Combination Securities, (B) all references in this Indenture to the rights of the Holders of the Class C Notes (including with respect to any payments, distributions, redemptions, votes or consents to be given by such Holders) include the rights of the Holders of the Class 1 Combination Securities to the extent of the Class 1 Note Component of the Class 1 Combination Securities, (C) all references in this Indenture to the "Preference Shares" include the "Preference Share Component" of the Class 1 Combination Securities and/or the Class 2 Combination Securities, as applicable, and (D) all references in this Indenture to the rights of the Holders of the Preference Shares (including with respect to any payments, distributions, redemptions, votes or consents to be given by such Holders) include the rights of the Holders of the Class 1 Combination Securities to the extent of the Preference Share Component of the Class 1 Combination Securities and of the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities to the extent of the Preference Share Component of the Class 2 Combination Securities.

**"1940 Act"**: The United States Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

**"A/B Exchange"**: An exchange of one security (the "**A Security**") for another security (the "**B Security**") of the same issuer or issuers, which security shall have substantially identical terms to the A Security except that one or more transfer restrictions applicable to the A Security are inapplicable to the B Security.

**"Accounts"**: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Accountants' Certificate"**: An agreed upon procedures report of a firm of Independent certified public accountants of international reputation appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8(a), which may be the firm of Independent accountants that performs certain accounting services for the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager.

**"Accredited Investor"**: The meaning specified in Rule 501(a) of the Securities Act.

**"Accrued Interest On Sale"**: Interest accrued on a Collateral Obligation at the time of sale or other disposition to the extent paid to the Issuer as part of the sale or other disposition price of the Collateral Obligation after deduction of any amount representing Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal"**: (i) Interest accrued on or purchased with a Collateral Obligation as part of the price paid by the Issuer to acquire the Collateral Obligation less any amount of Interest Proceeds (applied as Interest Proceeds) applied by the Issuer to acquire the accrued interest at the time of purchase and (ii) interest accrued on a Warehoused Loan as part of the price paid by the Issuer, if any, to repurchase and terminate the related participation under the Warehouse Agreement.

**"Act"**: The meaning specified in Section 14.2.

**"Additional Preference Share"**: The meaning set forth in the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

**"Additional Preference Shares Closing Date"**: The meaning set forth in the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

**"Administration Agreement"**: The Administration Agreement, between the Issuer and the Administrator, providing for the administrative functions of the Issuer, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Administrative Expense Cap"**: An amount on any Payment Date equal to the excess of:

(a) the sum of 0.05% of the Maximum Investment Amount on the related Determination Date plus \$150,000, over

(b) the sum of the amounts paid for Administrative Expenses in the twelve months preceding the current Payment Date.

**"Administrative Expenses"**: Amounts due or accrued representing

(i) tax preparation, filing, and registration fees or expenses and any other filing and registration fees owed by the Co-Issuers (including all filing, registration, and annual return fees payable to the Cayman Islands government and registered office fees);

(ii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Trustee (including all amounts under Section 6.7), the Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Collateral Administrator;

(iii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Co-Issuers and of accountants, agents, and counsel for either of the Co-Issuers;

(iv) fees and expenses of the Rating Agencies in connection with any rating of the Notes owed by either Co-Issuer (including fees and expenses for surveillance, credit estimates, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies);

(v) expenses and indemnities (but not Management Fees) of the Portfolio Manager if payable under the Management Agreement;

(vi) fees and expenses for third-party loan pricing services and accountants; and

(vii) amounts due (other than indemnities) to any other person (except the Portfolio Manager) if specifically provided for in this Indenture, including fees or expenses in connection with any Securities Lending Agreement.

**"Administrator"**: Maples Finance Limited.

**"Affiliate" or "Affiliated"**: With respect to a person,

(i) any other person who, directly or indirectly, is in control of, or controlled by, or is under common control with, the person, or

(ii) any other person who is a director, officer, or employee (A) of the person, (B) of any subsidiary or parent company of the person, or (C) of any person described in clause (i) above.

For the purposes of this definition, control of a person shall mean the power, direct or indirect,

(A) to vote more than 50% of the securities having ordinary voting power for the election of directors of the person, or

(B) to direct the corporate management and corporate policies of the person whether by contract or otherwise (this does not include the Management Agreement unless it is amended expressly to provide those services).

For the purpose of this definition, the Administrator and its Affiliates are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Co-Issuers and the Co-Issuers are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Administrator, or any of their Affiliates.

**"Agent Members"**: Members of, or participants in, a Depository.

**"Aggregate Outstanding Amount"**: When used with respect to any of the Notes or the Class 1 Note Component as of any date, the aggregate principal amount of the Notes or Class 1 Note Components represented by the Outstanding Class 1 Combination Securities on that date. When used with respect to the Preference Shares or the Preference Share Components as of any date, means the number of such Preference Shares Outstanding on such date in respect of such Preference Shares or Preference Share Component. When used with respect to any of the Class 2 Combination Securities, as of any date, the aggregate face amount of the Class 2 Combination Securities.

Except as otherwise provided herein:

(a) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(b) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(c) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes at any time shall include all Class C Deferred Interest attributed thereto;

(d) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes at any time shall include all Class D Deferred Interest attributed thereto.

**"Aggregate Principal Balance"**: When used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Principal Balances of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Principal Balance means the sum of the Principal Balances of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**"Aggregate Purchase Price Amount"**: When used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Purchase Price Amount means the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**"Allocable Principal Balance":** With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, the portion of the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security that is allocable to each Reference Obligation comprising such index or indices based upon allocating the Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security among such Reference Obligations in the same proportion as each Reference Obligation bears to the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security.

**"Amendment Buy-Out":** The meaning specified in Section 9.6(a).

**"Amendment Buy-Out Option":** The meaning specified in Section 9.6(a).

**"Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price":** The purchase price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Securities or Preference Shares purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) to the date of purchase payable to the Non-Consenting Holder (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), plus any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment, (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since the Closing Date (and any amounts payable, if any, to the Non-Consenting Holder on the next succeeding Payment Date) would cause such Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); provided, however, that in any Amendment Buy-Out from and after the date on which the Non-Consenting Holders of Preference Shares have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price for such Preference Shares shall be zero, (iii) in the case of the Class 1 Combination Securities, the sum of (x) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (i) in respect of the Class C Notes underlying the Class 1 Note Component and (y) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (ii) in respect of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 1 Combination Security Preference Share Component and (iv) in the case of the Class 2 Combination Securities, the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (ii) in respect of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 2 Combination Security Preference Share Component.

**"Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser":** The Portfolio Manager (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); provided that in the event that the Portfolio Manager elects not to purchase Securities or Preference Shares from Holders pursuant to Section 9.6, "Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Placement Agent or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Portfolio Manager; provided, however, none of the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agent or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

**"Applicable Issuers" or "Applicable Issuer":** With respect to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes, each of the Co-Issuers. With respect to the Preference Shares and the Combination Securities, the Issuer only.

**"Applicable Note Interest Rate":** With respect to the Notes of any Class, the Note Interest Rate with respect to such Class.

**"Applicable Percentage":** The lesser of the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate and the S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation as specified in the tables below. High-Yield Bonds do not include Structured Finance Obligations for this purpose.

<b>Moody's Priority Category</b>	<b>Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
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<b>Moody's Priority Category</b>	<b>Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Synthetic Securities	In the case of: (i) a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to the Form-Approved Synthetic Security at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security by Moody's, and (ii) any other Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to the Synthetic Security at the time of acquisition of the Synthetic Security.
Structured Finance Obligations	The Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the Moody's Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 5</u> by reference to the type of asset and its then Moody's Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that schedule does not apply, on a case-by-case basis in connection with the Grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
Unsecured DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligations not covered above or below	As determined by Moody's on a case-by-case basis.

For High-Yield Bonds, Moody's Senior Secured Loans and Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is the rate determined pursuant to the table below based on the number of rating subcategories difference between the High-Yield Bond's or Loan's Moody's Obligation Rating and its Moody's Default Probability Rating (for purposes of clarification, if the Moody's Obligation Rating is higher than the Moody's Default Probability Rating, the rating subcategories difference will be positive and if it is lower, negative):

<b>Number of Moody's Rating Subcategories Difference Between the Moody's Obligation Rating and the Moody's Default Probability Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>High-Yield Bonds</b>
+2 or more	60.0%	45.0%	40.0%
+1	50.0%	42.5%	35.0%
0	45.0%	40.0%	30.0%
-1	40.0%	30.0%	15.0%
-2	30.0%	15.0%	10.0%
-3 or less	20.0%	10.0%	2.0%

If no Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate has been specifically assigned with respect to a Loan pursuant to the above table, and the Loan is a secured DIP Loan, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is 50.0%.

<b>S&amp;P Priority Category</b>	<b>S&amp;P Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Senior Secured Loans and Second	55.0%

<b>S&amp;P Priority Category</b>	<b>S&amp;P Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Lien Loans with an S&P Recovery Rating of 1+, 1 or 2 (in each case, other than DIP Loans)	
Senior Unsecured Loans	37.5%
Second Lien Loans (other than Second Lien Loans with an S&P Recovery Rating of 1+, 1 or 2)	37.5%
Subordinated Lien Loans other than a DIP Loan	21.5%
Senior secured High-Yield Bonds (other than Structured Finance Obligations)	44.0%
Senior unsecured High-Yield Bonds (other than Structured Finance Obligations)	30.0%
Subordinated High-Yield Bonds (other than Structured Finance Obligations)	18.0%
Structured Finance Obligations	The S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the S&P Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 6</u> by reference to the type of asset and its then S&P Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that table does not apply, on a case by case basis in connection with the Grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
Synthetic Securities	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis in connection with the Grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation.
DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligation not covered above	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis.

**"Approved Credit Support Document":** A security agreement in the form of the 1994 ISDA Credit Support Annex (ISDA Agreements Subject to New York Law Only), as modified by the Paragraph 13 thereto.

**"Approved Pricing Service":** Loan Pricing Corporation, LoanX Inc., Mark-It-Partners, Inc. or any other nationally recognized loan pricing service approved in writing by S&P.

**"Ask-Side Market Value":** As of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Portfolio Manager and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any lent Collateral Obligation based upon the Portfolio Manager's commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the higher of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the ask-side prices for the purchase of such Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Portfolio Manager) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Portfolio

Manager); provided that if the Ask-Side Market Value of any lent Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the outstanding principal balance thereof.

**"Assigned Moody's Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Authenticating Agent"**: With respect to the Securities, the Trustee or the person designated by the Trustee to authenticate the Securities on behalf of the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.14.

**"Authorized Officer"**: With respect to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, any Officer or agent who is authorized to act for the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, in matters relating to, and binding on, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. With respect to the Portfolio Manager, any managing member, Officer, manager, employee, partner or agent of the Portfolio Manager who is authorized to act for the Portfolio Manager in matters relating to, and binding on, the Portfolio Manager with respect to the subject matter of the request, certificate, or order in question. With respect to the Trustee or any other bank or trust company acting as trustee of an express trust or as custodian, a Trust Officer. Each party may receive and accept a certification of the authority of any other party as conclusive evidence of the authority of any person to act, and the certification may be considered as in full force and effect until receipt by the other party of written notice to the contrary.

**"Average Life"**: As of any Measurement Date with respect to any Collateral Obligation (other than any Defaulted Collateral Obligation), the quotient obtained by dividing:

- (i) the sum of the products of:
  - (A) the number of years (rounded to the nearest hundredth) from the Measurement Date to the respective dates of each successive scheduled payment of principal of the Collateral Obligation, and
  - (B) the respective amounts of the successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation, by
- (ii) the sum of all successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Bank"**: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, in its individual capacity and not as Trustee.

**"Bankruptcy Code"**: The U.S. Bankruptcy Code, Title 11 of the United States Code.

**"Bankruptcy Law"**: The Bankruptcy Code, Part V of the Companies Law (2004 Revision) of the Cayman Islands and the Bankruptcy Law (1997 Revision) of the Cayman Islands.

**"Beneficial Owner"**: Any person owning an interest in a Global Security or Regulation S Global Preference Shares as reflected on the books of the Depository or on the books of an Agent Member or on the books of an indirect participant for which an Agent Member acts as agent.

**"Benefit Plan Investor"**: Any "employee benefit plan" within the meaning of Section 3(3) of ERISA, whether or not subject to ERISA, and including, without limitation, foreign, church and governmental plans, any "plan" described by Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code, or an entity whose underlying assets include the assets of any plan by reason of a plan's investment in such entity.

**"Board Resolution"**: With respect to the Issuer, a resolution of the board of directors of the Issuer and, with respect to the Co-Issuer, a resolution of the board of directors of the Co-Issuer.



**"Bridge Loan"**: Any obligation or security incurred in connection with a merger, acquisition, consolidation, sale of all or substantially all of the assets of a person or entity, restructuring or similar transaction, which obligation or security by its terms is required to be repaid within one year of the incurrence thereof with proceeds from additional borrowings or other refinancing (other than any additional borrowing or refinancing if one or more financial institutions shall have provided the issuer of such obligation or security with a binding written commitment to provide the same). For the avoidance of doubt, a DIP Loan will not constitute a Bridge Loan.

**"Business Day"**: A day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in New York City and any other city in which the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee is located and, in the case of the final payment of principal of any Note or the final payment in respect of any Combination Security, the place of presentation of the Security designated by the Trustee; provided, however, that, for purposes of determining LIBOR, "Business Day" must also be a day on which dealings in deposits in Dollars are transacted in the London interbank market.

**"Buy-Out Amount"**: The meaning set forth in the Management Agreement.

**"Calculation Agent"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.16.

**"Cash"**: Such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for payment of all public and private debts.

**"CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations"**: The Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have (i) a Moody's Rating below "B3" and/or (ii) an S&P Rating below "B-".

**"Certificate of Authentication"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.1.

**"Certificated Security"**: Any Regulation S Certificated Security or U.S. Certificated Security.

**"Certificated Preference Shares"**: The meaning set forth in the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

**"Certificated Security (UCC)"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(4) of the UCC.

**"Class"**: All of the Securities having the same priority and the same Stated Maturity and all of the Preference Shares; provided, however, unless otherwise expressly provided for herein, the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes shall be separate Classes.

**"Class 1 Combination Security"**: The Class 1 Extendable Combination Securities issued by the Issuer pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class 1 Combination Security Preference Share Component"**: A Component of the Class 1 Combination Securities representing an initial aggregate Face Amount of Preference Shares equal to \$1,000,000. The number of Preference Shares to which the Class 1 Combination Security Preference Share Component relates is included in (and are not in addition to) the number of Preference Shares being issued by the Issuer on the Closing Date pursuant to its Memorandum and Articles of Association.

**"Class 1 Combination Security Rated Balance"**: With respect to the rating of the Class 1 Combination Securities by Moody's, (i) on the Closing Date \$5,000,000 and (ii) on any date of determination thereafter, the initial Class 1 Combination Security Rated Balance reduced by an amount equal to (x) the aggregate amount of distributions paid to the Holders of the Class 1 Combination Securities on each Payment Date prior to such date of determination in respect of its related Components pursuant to Section 11.1(a) *minus*

(y) the aggregate Class 1 Combination Security Rated Coupon Distributions paid to the Holders of the Class 1 Combination Securities on each Payment Date prior to such date of determination; *provided* that if the amount of distributions paid to the Holders of the Class 1 Combination Securities on any Payment Date is less than the Class 1 Combination Security Rated Coupon Distribution for such Payment Date, then the Class 1 Combination Security Rated Balance shall be increased by such deficiency.

**"Class 1 Combination Security Rated Coupon":** With respect to the Class 1 Combination Securities, 0.25% percent per annum in respect of the Class 1 Combination Security Rated Balance of such Class 1 Combination Securities.

**"Class 1 Combination Security Rated Coupon Distribution":** With respect to the Class 1 Combination Securities as of any Payment Date, shall be calculated as the amount accrued at the Class 1 Combination Security Rated Coupon during the related Interest Period on the Class 1 Combination Security Rated Balance as of such Payment Date (without giving effect to any payments to be made on such Payment Date) and calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

**"Class 1 Note Component":** A component of the Class 1 Combination Securities representing an initial aggregate principal amount of Class C Notes equal to \$4,000,000. The number of Class C Notes to which the Class 1 Note Component relates is included in (and are not in addition to) the number of Class C Notes being issued by the Issuer on the Closing Date pursuant to this Indenture.

**"Class 2 Bond":** The meaning specified in Section 10.3(j).

**"Class 2 Collateral":** The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Class 2 Component":** A component representing the rights of the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities to receive the payments from the Class 2 Component Account or delivery of the Class 2 Bond from such account.

**"Class 2 Component Account":** The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(j).

**"Class 2 Component Payment Date":** The meaning specified in Section 11.2.

**"Class 2 Combination Security":** The Class 2 Combination Securities issued by the Issuer pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class 2 Combination Security Preference Share Component":** A Component of the Class 2 Combination Securities representing an initial aggregate Face Amount of Preference Shares equal to \$7,600,000. The number of Preference Shares to which the Class 2 Combination Security Preference Share Component relates is included in (and are not in addition to) the number of Preference Shares being issued by the Issuer on the Closing Date pursuant to its Memorandum and Articles of Association.

**"Class 2 Combination Security Rated Balance":** With respect to the rating of the Class 2 Combination Securities by Moody's, on the Closing Date \$20,000,000.

**"Class A Notes":** The Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes.

**"Class A-1 Notes":** The Class A-1 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class A-2 Notes":** The Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class A/B Coverage Tests":** The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes (treating the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes as one Class for this purpose).

**"Class B Notes":** The Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class C Coverage Tests":** The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class C Notes.

**"Class C Deferred Interest":** Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C Notes.

**"Class C Notes":** The Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class D Coverage Tests":** The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class D Notes.

**"Class D Deferred Interest":** Deferred Interest with respect to the Class D Notes.

**"Class D Notes":** The Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class Scenario Loss Rate":** With respect to any Class of Notes rated by S&P, an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, consistent with S&P's rating of such Class of Notes on the Closing Date, determined by application of the S&P CDO Monitor.

**"Clearing Agency":** An organization registered as a "clearing agency" pursuant to Section 17A of the Exchange Act.

**"Clearing Corporation":** The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(5) of the UCC.

**"Clearing Corporation Security":** A "security" (as defined in Section 8-102(a)(15) of the UCC) that (i) is a debt or Equity Security and (ii) is in the custody of or maintained on the books of a Clearing Corporation or its nominee.

**"Clearstream":** Clearstream Banking, société anonyme, a corporation organized under the laws of the Duchy of Luxembourg.

**"Closing Date":** October 13, 2005.

**"Closing Date Expense Account":** The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(g).

**"Co-Issuer":** The person named as such on the first page of this Indenture.

**"Co-Issuers":** The Issuer and the Co-Issuer.

**"Code":** The United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

**"Collateral":** The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Collateral Administration Agreement"**: The agreement dated as of the Closing Date among the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, and the Collateral Administrator, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Collateral Administrator"**: The Bank in its capacity as collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement.

**"Collateral Assignment of Hedge Agreements"**: With respect to each Hedge Agreement, the assignment of all of the Issuer's interest in the Hedge Agreement to the Trustee and acknowledged by the Hedge Counterparty to create a security interest therein in favor of the Trustee.

**"Collateral Obligation"**: Any obligation or security that, when the Issuer commits to purchase (or otherwise acquire) the obligation or security, is a Loan, High-Yield Bond, Structured Finance Obligation, or Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that is a Loan, a Structured Finance Obligation, or High-Yield Bond that is:

- (1) denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars and is not convertible by its obligor into any other currency;
- (2) an obligation of an obligor Domiciled in an Eligible Country;
- (3) an obligation that is eligible by its terms to be assigned to the Issuer and pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral;
- (4) not an exchangeable or convertible security that is exchangeable or convertible at the option of its issuer;
- (5) not an Equity Security or a component of an Equity Security or a security that has a component that is an Equity Security (other than for avoidance of doubt, a pass-through trust certificate in a trust holding Collateral Obligations);
- (6) not an obligation or security that has been called for redemption and is not an obligation or security that is the subject of an Offer other than a Permitted Offer or an exchange offer in which a security that is not registered under the Securities Act is exchanged for (i) a security that has substantially identical terms (except for transfer restrictions) but is registered under the Securities Act or (ii) a security that would otherwise qualify for purchase under Article 12;
- (7) an obligation that (a) has a Moody's Rating (including any estimated or confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored) and (b) has an S&P Rating (including any confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored), which S&P Rating does not have a "p", "pi", "q", "r" or "t" subscript unless S&P otherwise authorizes in writing;
- (8) an obligation that is a Finance Lease (if it is a lease) and the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;
- (9) an obligation that is not a Current-Pay Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation and in the case of a Collateral Obligation that has a Moody's Rating of "Caa1" or lower or an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower, an obligation for which the Portfolio Manager has certified in writing that such Collateral Obligation is not a Credit Risk Obligation;
- (10) an obligation that (unless it is a High-Yield Bond) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness for borrowed money of the applicable issuer; provided that for the avoidance of

doubt, this clause shall not prohibit the inclusion as Collateral Obligations of Subordinated Lien Loans;

(11) an obligation that (i) bears simple interest payable in cash no less frequently than annually (although, in the case of a PIK Security, interest may be deferrable) at a fixed or floating rate that is paid on a periodic basis on an unleveraged basis and, in the case of a floating rate, computed on a benchmark interest rate plus or minus a spread, if any (which may vary under the terms of the obligation) and (ii) provides for a fixed amount of principal payable in cash according to a fixed schedule (which may include optional call dates) or at maturity (or a fixed notional amount in the case of Synthetic Securities);

(12) an obligation the payment or repayment of the principal, if any, of which is not an amount determined by reference to any formula or index or subject to any contingency under the terms thereof;

(13) an obligation the portion of which to be acquired (including through a Synthetic Security with respect to the Reference Obligation) does not represent, directly or indirectly, more than a 25% interest in the obligation;

(14) not an obligation with a maturity later than one year after the Stated Maturity of the Notes;

(15) an obligation upon which no payments are subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the obligor thereof or counterparty with respect thereto is required to make "gross-up" payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax on an after-tax basis (other than withholding taxes with respect to commitment fees associated with Collateral Obligations constituting Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans);

(16) not a Loan or Synthetic Security that would require the Issuer after its purchase of the Loan or Synthetic Security to advance any funds to the related borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty or permit the borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty to require that any future advances be made except for:

(A) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the Issuer deposits into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, respectively, the maximum amount of any advances that may be required of the Issuer under the related Underlying Instrument (as provided in Section 10.3(b)), and

(B) any Synthetic Security if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Synthetic Security, the Issuer posts cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) the Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of any future advances;

(17) if such obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation, such obligation:

(A) has been assigned a rating by both Moody's and S&P;

(B) has a Moody's Rating of "Ba3" or higher and an S&P Rating of "BB-" or higher; and

(C) has not been placed on the watch list for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P;

(18) if such obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation managed by the Portfolio Manager that is other than a collateralized loan obligation primarily secured by senior secured loans, the Rating Condition has been satisfied;

(19) not a Loan that is an obligation of a debtor in possession or a trustee for a debtor in an insolvency proceeding other than a DIP Loan;

(20) with respect to an obligation that provides for the payment of interest at a floating rate, an obligation for which such floating rate is determined by reference to the U.S. Dollar prime rate or other base rate, London interbank offered rate or similar interbank offered rate, commercial deposit rate or any other index that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto;

(21) in the case of a Synthetic Security, a Synthetic Security for which the counterparty or issuer, as the case may be, has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3", and if rated "A3" by Moody's, such rating is not on watch for downgrade, and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A+";

(22) not an obligation that constitutes Margin Stock;

(23) not a Zero-Coupon Security;

(24) not an obligation that is currently deferring interest or paying interest "in kind" or otherwise has an interest "in kind" balance outstanding at the time of purchase, which interest is otherwise payable in cash, unless the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;

(25) not a security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined by the Portfolio Manager;

(26) not an obligation the interest payments of which are scheduled to decrease (although interest payments may decrease due to unscheduled events such as a decrease if the index relating to a Floating Rate Obligation, the change from a default rate of interest to a non-default rate of interest or an improvement in the obligor's financial condition);

(27) not an obligation that will cause the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the pool of assets to be required to be registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act; and

(28) not a Bridge Loan.

Pursuant to the definition of "Synthetic Security", unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event".

**"Collateral Quality Tests":** The Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Life Test, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average

Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test, and the S&P CDO Monitor Test.

**"Collection Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.2(a).

**"Combination Securities"**: The Class 1 Combination Securities and the Class 2 Combination Securities issued by the Issuer pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Combination Security Rated Balance"**: The Class 1 Combination Security Rated Balance or Class 2 Combination Security Rated Balance, as applicable.

**"Combination Securityholder"**: A Holder of Combination Securities of any Class.

**"Commitment Amount"**: With respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the maximum aggregate outstanding principal amount (whether then funded or unfunded) of advances or other extensions of credit that the Issuer could be required to make to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments.

**"Commitment Reduction"**: With respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, a permanent reduction (whether scheduled, mandatory, optional, or otherwise) in the related Commitment Amount.

**"Components"**: The Class 1 Note Components, the Class 2 Components or the Preference Share Components, as the context requires.

**"Concentration Limitations"**: The limit set forth below with respect to a particular type of Investment Obligation (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) as a percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount:

	Percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount
(1) Senior Secured Loans, Second Lien Loans, Subordinated Lien Loans and Eligible Investments	≥ 92.5%
(a) except that Senior Secured Loans shall meet or exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	≥ 87.5%
(2) Unsecured Loans	≤ 3.0%
(3) Subordinated Lien Loans and Second Lien Loans	≤ 10.0%
(4) High-Yield Bonds	≤ 7.5%
(5) Subordinated Lien Loans and High-Yield Bonds	≤ 15.0%
(6) Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans	≤ 15.0%
(7) DIP Loans	≤ 5.0%
(a) except that with a Rating Confirmation, DIP Loans may constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	≤ 7.5%
(8) S&P Unrated DIP Loans	≤ 2.5%
(9) PIK Securities	≤ 3.0%

(10) Structured Finance Obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(a) except that Structured Finance Obligations managed by the Portfolio Manager may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column;	$\leq 5.0\%$
(b) except that a single issuer together with any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) of a Structured Finance Obligation may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column; and	$\leq 3.0\%$
(c) except that any single issuer whose long-term debt obligations are rated below BBB- by S&P, or are rated BBB- by S&P and are on negative watch for downgrade, other than an issuer with respect to which the Rating Condition has been satisfied, may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column;	0%
(11) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States and Canada	$\leq 15.0\%$
(12) obligors Domiciled in Canada or any single Moody's Group I Country	$\leq 10.0\%$
(13) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group II Country	$\leq 5.0\%$
(14) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group III Country	$\leq 2.5\%$
(15) obligors organized in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction	$\leq 5.0\%$
(16) same S&P Industry Classification	$\leq 8.0\%$
(a) except that Investment Obligations belonging to two S&P Industry Classifications (not including Telecommunications) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 12.0\%$
(17) single issuer or any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties)	$\leq 1.5\%$



(a) except that up to each of five individual issuers (including any of their respective Affiliates but excluding issuers that the Portfolio Manager reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 2.0\%$
(18) Fixed Rate Obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(19) Pay interest less frequently than quarterly but no less frequently than annually	$\leq 7.5\%$
(20) Synthetic Securities	$\leq 20.0\%$
(a) except that Synthetic Securities that provide for settlement other than by physical delivery may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$
(b) except that Synthetic Securities that reference a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$
(21) Participations ( <u>provided</u> , that no Investment Obligations may be a Participation in a Participation)	$\leq 20.0\%$
(22) Investment Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, in the aggregate may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 20.0\%$
(23) Investment Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, a single Secondary Risk Counterparty	$\leq$ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Individual Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating*

(24) Investment Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, all Secondary Risk Counterparties	≤ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Aggregate Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating**
(25) Deep Discount Obligations	≤ 10.0%
(26) CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(27) Long-Dated Collateral Obligations	≤ 4.0%
(28) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements	≤ 15.0%
(29) Floating Rate Obligations providing for interest at a non-London interbank offered rate	≤ 5.0%
(30) Collateral Obligations that are Loans that are part of a credit facility with a total global aggregate commitment amount of less than \$75,000,000	≤ 10.0%
(31) Collateral Obligations representing units consisting of debt and warrants to purchase equity securities; provided that, with respect to each Collateral Obligation which consists of such unit of debt and warrants, at the time of purchase of such Collateral Obligation, the aggregate value of the warrants included in such unit must be determined by the Portfolio Manager in good faith to be no more than 2% of the outstanding principal amount of the debt included in such unit.	≤ 5.0%

\* Applicable long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P of such Secondary Risk Counterparty (using the limit for the lower of such ratings if different).

\*\* Long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P at or below a level specified in the Secondary Risk Table (using the lower of such ratings for a Secondary Risk Counterparty, if different).

Subject to the right of the Portfolio Manager to determine otherwise as set out in Section 1.2(h), solely for the purpose of determining whether the Concentration Limitations are met, Eligible Investments and Cash will be treated as Senior Secured Loans and Floating Rate Obligations.

**"Controlling Class":** The Class A-1 Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class A-1 Notes are Outstanding; then the Class A-2 Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class A-2 Notes are Outstanding; then the Class B Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class B Notes are Outstanding; then the Class C Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class C Notes are Outstanding; and then the Class D Notes (voting together as a Class or group).

**"Controlling Person":** Any person, other than a Benefit Plan Investor, who has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to such assets, or any Affiliate of such person.

**"Corporate Trust Office":** The corporate trust office of the Trustee at which the Trustee performs its duties under this Indenture, currently having an address of 600 Travis Street, 50<sup>th</sup> Floor, Houston, Texas

77002, telecopy no. (713) 216-2101, Attention: Worldwide Securities Services—Gleneagles CLO, Ltd. or any other address the Trustee designates from time to time by notice to the Noteholders, the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Issuer, and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Trustee.

**"Coverage Tests":** Collectively, the Class A/B Coverage Tests, the Class C Coverage Tests and the Class D Coverage Tests applicable as of any Measurement Date.

**"Credit Improved Obligation":** Any Collateral Obligation that in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, has improved in credit quality; provided that, if a Credit Rating Event is in effect, such Collateral Obligation will be considered a Credit Improved Obligation only if in addition to the above:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been upgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing positive credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under this Indenture,

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced a reduction in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Portfolio Manager (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's),

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has increased by at least 1.00% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Portfolio Manager (provided that this subclause (iii)(x) will be deemed satisfied if Market Value increases to 101%), or (y) in the case of a bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more positive than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, plus 3.00%, over the same period, or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Improved Obligation if:

(i) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Improved Obligation or

(ii) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Improved Obligation.

**"Credit Rating Event":** An event that is in effect if the rating by Moody's:

(i) of the Class A-1 Notes or the Class A-2 Notes has been withdrawn or is one or more rating sub-categories below its Initial Rating; or

(ii) of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes has been withdrawn or is two or more rating sub-categories below its respective Initial Rating.

For the purposes of this definition, any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not be effective if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody's has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Class A-1 Notes or the Class A-2 Notes, or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**"Credit Risk Obligation"**: Any Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, has a significant risk of declining in credit quality and, with a lapse of time, becoming a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

So long as a Credit Rating Event is in effect, no Collateral Obligation shall be eligible to be a Credit Risk Obligation unless in addition to the above, as of the date of determination:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been downgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing negative credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under this Indenture,

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced an increase in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Portfolio Manager (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's),

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has decreased by at least 2.50% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Portfolio Manager, and (y) in the case of a bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more negative, or less positive, as the case may be, than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, less 3.00%, over the same period, or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Risk Obligation if:

(a) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Risk Obligation, or

(b) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Risk Obligation.

**"Current-Pay Obligation"**: A Collateral Obligation as to which:

(i) except with respect to a DIP Loan, an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to its obligor or as to which its obligor is rated "D" or "SD" by S&P or its obligor has previously been rated "CCC-" by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn,

(ii) no default as to the payment of principal or interest with respect to the Collateral Obligation is then continuing and the Portfolio Manager has delivered to the Trustee an officer's certificate to the effect that the Portfolio Manager expects that the obligor will make payments on the Collateral Obligation as they become due,

(iii) (A) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is at least "Caa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 80% of its Principal Balance or (B) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is less than "Caa1" or is "Caa1" and on credit watch with negative implications but greater than or equal to Caa3 without credit watch with negative implications, the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 90% of its Principal Balance,

(iv) if an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to the obligor of the Collateral Obligation, a bankruptcy court has authorized the payment of interest payable on the Collateral Obligation, and

(v) the Portfolio Manager has designated in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligation as a Current-Pay Obligation.

If the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations exceeds 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, all or a portion of one or more Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance equal to the amount of the excess shall not be Current-Pay Obligations (and will therefore be Defaulted Collateral Obligations). The Portfolio Manager shall designate in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligations that shall not be Current-Pay Obligations pursuant to the preceding sentence as the Collateral Obligations (or portions thereof) that have the lowest Market Value on any applicable date of determination.

The Portfolio Manager may, by notice to the Issuer, the Trustee, and the Collateral Administrator, change the definition of "Current-Pay Obligation" or how Current-Pay Obligations are treated in this Indenture, subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency.

**"Current Portfolio":** At any time, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations, Principal Proceeds held as Cash on deposit in the Collection Account, and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account that exists before the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or before the acquisition of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**"Custodial Account":** The custodial account established in the name of the Trustee pursuant to Section 10.3(a).

**"Custodian":** The meaning specified in the first sentence of Section 3.2(a) with respect to items of collateral referred to therein, and each entity with which an Account is maintained, as the context may require, each of which shall be a Securities Intermediary.

**"Deep Discount Obligation":** Until the average Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation, as determined daily for any period of 30 consecutive days, equals or exceeds 90%, any Collateral Obligation acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 85% of its Principal Balance. For such purpose, the Market Value Percentage of a Collateral Obligation on a day that is not a Business Day shall be deemed to be the Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation on the immediately preceding Business Day.

**"Default"**: Any Event of Default or any occurrence that, with notice or the lapse of time or both, would become an Event of Default.

**"Defaulted Collateral Obligation"**: Any Collateral Obligation or other obligation included in the Collateral:

(i) as to which there has occurred and is continuing a default with respect to the payment of interest or principal with respect to such Collateral Obligation, without giving effect to any applicable grace period or waiver (provided that, if the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee in writing that such default is for non-credit related reasons, the related Collateral Obligation shall not be treated as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under this clause (i) unless and until such default has continued for a period of three (3) consecutive business days), but, in any case, only until such default has been cured;

(ii) the maturity of all or a portion of the principal amount of such Collateral Obligation has been accelerated as a consequence of a default (other than any payment default) under the instruments evidencing or relating to such Collateral Obligation; unless such default or event of default has been fully cured or waived and is no longer continuing and such acceleration has been rescinded;

(iii) with respect to which there has been effected any distressed exchange or other debt restructuring where the obligor has offered the holders thereof a new security or instrument or package of securities or instruments that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, either (x) amounts to a diminished financial obligation or (y) has the sole purpose of enabling the obligor to avoid a default;

(iv) (1) that is pari passu with or subordinated to other indebtedness for borrowed money owing by its obligor ("**Other Indebtedness**"), (2) the obligor has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (without regard to any applicable grace or notice period and without regard to any waiver of the default) on the Other Indebtedness, unless, in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid on the Other Indebtedness and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation and (3) the Portfolio Manager (provided that the related Collateral Obligation has not been downgraded after the default on such Other Indebtedness has occurred) determines (in its commercially reasonable judgment) that such Other Indebtedness is material;

(v) (other than a Current-Pay Obligation or a DIP Loan) as to which:

(A) an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to its obligor, or

(B) the obligation is rated "D", "SD", "C" or "CC" by S&P or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn, or has previously been rated "CCC-" or lower by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;

(vi) if the Collateral Obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation, it is rated "CC" or below by S&P, or it was rated "CC" or below by S&P but the rating has since been withdrawn, or it is rated "Ca" or below by Moody's, or it was rated "C" or below by Moody's but the rating has since been withdrawn;

(vii) that is a Participation that would, if the underlying Loan were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (v) above or with

respect to which the Participating Institution has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Participation;

(viii) that is a Synthetic Security referencing a Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above or with respect to which the Synthetic Security Counterparty has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Synthetic Security; provided, however, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time: (x) a determination whether the Reference Obligations upon which such Synthetic Security is based would, if such Reference Obligations were Collateral Obligations, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct investment by the Issuer in each of the Reference Obligations on which such Synthetic Security is based in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation and (y) the "Defaulted Collateral Obligation" for purposes of this clause (viii) shall be limited to the Allocable Principal Balance of each Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above;

(ix) that is a Written-Down Obligation;

(x) that is a DIP Loan as to which an order has been entered converting the debtor's chapter 11 case to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code; or

(xi) that is declared to be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation by the Portfolio Manager.

Any Collateral Obligation that is classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall cease to be so classified if the Collateral Obligation, at any date thereafter,

(1) would not otherwise be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this definition; and

(2) otherwise meets the Eligibility Criteria as of that date.

If any portion of a Collateral Obligation has a maturity later than one year after the Stated Maturity of the Notes due to a change in the payment schedule of the Collateral Obligation occurring after its acquisition by the Issuer, that portion of the Collateral Obligation shall be considered a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**"Defaulted Hedge Termination Payment"**: Any termination payment required to be made by the Issuer to a Hedge Counterparty pursuant to a Hedge Agreement upon a termination of the Hedge Agreement in respect of which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**"Defaulted Interest"**: Any interest payable in respect of any Class of Notes that is not punctually paid or duly provided for on the applicable Payment Date or at Stated Maturity.

**"Defaulted Interest Charge"**: To the extent lawful, interest on any Defaulted Interest at the Default Interest Rate.

**"Default Interest Rate"**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate equal to the Note Interest Rate payable on the Notes of such Class.

**"Deferred Interest":** With respect to any specified Class of Deferred Interest Notes, the meaning specified in Section 2.8(a).

**"Deferred Interest Notes":** The Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**"Delayed Drawdown Loan":** A Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that

- (i) requires the Issuer to make one or more future advances to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments,
- (ii) specifies a maximum amount that can be borrowed on one or more fixed borrowing dates, and
- (iii) does not permit the re-borrowing of any amount previously repaid.

A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Delayed Drawdown Loan for so long as its unused commitment amount is greater than zero.

**"Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account":** The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(b).

**"Deliver" or "Delivered" or "Delivery":** The taking of the following steps:

- (i) in the case of each Certificated Security (UCC) (other than a Clearing Corporation Security) or Instrument,
  - (A) causing the delivery of such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument to the Custodian registered in the name of the Custodian or its affiliated nominee or endorsed to the Custodian or in blank,
  - (B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument is credited to the applicable Account, and
  - (C) causing the Custodian to maintain continuous possession of such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument;
- (ii) in the case of each Uncertificated Security (other than a Clearing Corporation Security),
  - (A) causing such Uncertificated Security to be continuously registered on the books of the issuer thereof to the Custodian, and
  - (B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Uncertificated Security is credited to the applicable Account;
- (iii) in the case of each Clearing Corporation Security,
  - (A) causing the relevant Clearing Corporation to credit such Clearing Corporation Security to the securities account of the Custodian, and
  - (B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate by on its books and records that such Clearing Corporation Security is credited to the applicable Account;



(iv) in the case of each security issued or guaranteed by the United States of America or agency or instrumentality thereof and that is maintained in book-entry records of a Federal Reserve Bank ("**FRB**") (each such security, a "**Government Security**"),

(A) causing the creation of a Security Entitlement to such Government Security by the credit of such Government Security to the securities account of the Custodian at such FRB, and

(B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Government Security is credited to the applicable Account;

(v) in the case of each Security Entitlement not governed by clauses (i) through (iv) above,

(A) causing a Securities Intermediary (x) to indicate on its books and records that the underlying Financial Asset has been credited to be the Custodian's securities account, (y) to receive a Financial Asset from a Securities Intermediary or acquiring the underlying Financial Asset for a Securities Intermediary, and in either case, accepting it for credit to the Custodian's securities account or (z) to become obligated under other law, regulation or rule to credit the underlying Financial Asset to a Security Intermediary's securities account,

(B) causing such Securities Intermediary to make entries on its books and records continuously identifying such Security Entitlement as belonging to the Custodian and continuously indicating on its books and records that such Security Entitlement is credited to the Custodian's securities account, and

(C) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Security Entitlement (or all rights and property of the Custodian representing such Security Entitlement) is credited to the applicable Account;

(vi) in the case of cash or money,

(A) causing the delivery of such cash or money to the Custodian,

(B) causing the Custodian to treat such cash or money as a Financial Asset maintained by such Custodian for credit to the applicable Account in accordance with the provisions of Article 8 of the UCC, and

(C) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such cash or money is credited to the applicable Account; and

(vii) in the case of each general intangible (including any Participation in which the Participation is not represented by an Instrument),

(A) causing the filing of a Financing Statement in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of the District of Columbia, Washington, DC, and

(B) causing the registration of this Indenture in the Register of Mortgages of the Issuer at the Issuer's registered office in the Cayman Islands;

in addition, the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer will obtain any and all consents required by the underlying agreements relating to any such general intangibles for the transfer of ownership and/or

pledge hereunder (except to the extent that the requirement for such consent is rendered ineffective under Section 9-406 of the UCC).

In addition to the methods specified above, any Collateral may be delivered in accordance with any other method specified in an Opinion of Counsel delivered to the Trustee as sufficient to establish a first priority perfected security interest therein.

**"Depository" or "DTC":** The Depository Trust Company and its nominees.

**"Determination Date":** The last day of any Due Period.

**"DIP Loan":** Any Loan

(i) that has a rating assigned by Moody's (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by Moody's, the Portfolio Manager has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by Moody's within five Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer) and a rating assigned by S&P (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by S&P, the Portfolio Manager has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P within two Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer),

(ii) that is an obligation of a debtor in possession as described in Section 1107 of the Bankruptcy Code or a trustee (if appointment of a trustee has been ordered pursuant to Section 1104 of the Bankruptcy Code) (a "Debtor") organized under the laws of the United States or any state of the United States, and

(iii) the terms of which have been approved by a final order of the United States Bankruptcy Court, United States District Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, the enforceability of which order is not subject to any pending contested matter or proceeding (as those terms are defined in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure) and which order provides that

(A) the Loan is secured by liens on the Debtor's otherwise unencumbered assets pursuant to Section 364(c)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code,

(B) the Loan is secured by liens of equal or senior priority on property of the Debtor's estate that is otherwise subject to a lien pursuant to Section 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code,

(C) the Loan is fully secured (based on a current valuation or appraisal report) by junior liens on the Debtor's encumbered assets, or

(D) if any portion of the Loan is unsecured, the repayment of the Loan retains priority over all other administrative expenses pursuant to Section 364(c)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code (and in the case of this clause (D), before the acquisition of the Loan, the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency).

**"Discount Note":** Any Note that is treated as being issued with "original issue discount" within the meaning of Section 1271 through 1275 of the Code and Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.

**"Diversity Score":** A single number that indicates collateral concentration in terms of both issuer and industry concentration, calculated as set forth in Schedule 4 to this Indenture.

**"Diversity Test":** A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Diversity Score equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score.

**"Dollar"** or **"U.S. Dollar"** or **"U.S.\$"**: A dollar or other equivalent unit in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for all debts, public and private.

**"Domicile"** or **"Domiciled"**: With respect to each Collateral Obligation, (i) the jurisdiction of incorporation, organization or creation of the related obligor or (ii) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that would otherwise be considered to be domiciled pursuant to clause (i) in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction, the jurisdiction in which, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, the related obligor conducts substantially all of its business operations and in which the assets primarily responsible for generating its revenues are located.

**"Due Date"**: Each date on which any payment is due on a Pledged Obligation in accordance with its terms.

**"Due Period"**: With respect to any Payment Date, for all purposes other than payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements, the period from the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date, from the Closing Date) up to but excluding the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the Payment Date (or in the case of the final Payment Date or any Payment Date that is a Redemption Date, through the Business Day before the Payment Date and for payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements the period from the day after the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date from the Closing Date) through the Payment Date).

**"Eligibility Criteria"**: The meaning specified in Section 12.2(b).

**"Eligible Collateral"**: Means: (i) Cash, (ii) U.S. Treasury obligations, (iii) U.S. agency obligations or (iv) commercial paper obligations rated at least "P-1" by Moody's (and not on watch for downgrade) and "A-1+" by S&P, in each case to collateralize fully on a mark-to-market basis the obligations of a Hedge Counterparty under the related Hedge Agreement.

**"Eligible Country"**: The United States, Canada and any country classified by Moody's as a Moody's Group I Country, Moody's Group II Country or Moody's Group III Country; provided that such country has not imposed currency exchange controls.

**"Eligible Investments"**: Any Dollar-denominated investment that, when it is pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee under this Indenture, is one or more of the following:

- (a) Cash;
- (b) direct Registered obligations of, and Registered obligations the timely payment of principal and interest on which is fully and expressly guaranteed by, the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States the obligations of which are expressly backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, which in each case are not zero coupon securities;
- (c) any demand or time deposits account in a well-capitalized (as such term is used by the FDIC relating to its risk-based assessment system) FDIC insured banking institution having (A) repayment terms with a predetermined fixed Dollar amount of principal due at the maturity of such deposit that may not vary or change, (B) a rate of interest (if a variable rate) based upon a single interest rate index and a fixed spread which rate of interest varies based solely on such index and (C) no right by the Issuer to liquidate or redeem such deposit prior to the maturity of such deposit;
- (d) any demand and time deposits in, trust accounts, certificates of deposit payable within 91 days of issuance of, bankers' acceptances payable within 91 days of issuance issued by, or Federal funds sold by any depository institution or trust company incorporated under the laws of the United States or any state thereof and subject to supervision and examination by Federal and/or state banking

authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or the debt obligations of such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company), at the time of such investment or contractual commitment providing for such investment and throughout the term of the investment, have a credit rating of not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade, or "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P in the case of commercial paper and short-term debt obligations; provided that, in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such investment a long-term credit rating of not less than "AA-" by S&P and "Aa3" by Moody's and a short-term rating of "A-1+" by S&P and "P-1" by Moody's, and if so rated, is not on watch for downgrade;

(e) commercial paper or other short-term obligations with a maturity of not more than 183 days from the date of issuance and having at the time of such investment a credit rating of at least "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P, provided that, in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such investment a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(f) unleveraged repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clause (b) above entered into with a U.S. federal or state depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (c) above or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose long-term credit rating is not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade or whose short-term credit rating is "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P at the time of such investment and throughout the term of the investment; provided that, if such repurchase obligation has a maturity of longer than 91 days, the counterparty thereto must also have at the time of such investment and throughout the term of the investment a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(g) any money market fund or similar investment vehicle having at the time of investment therein and throughout the term of the investment a credit rating of "MR1+" by Moody's and "AAAm" by S&P; including any fund for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee serves as an investment advisor, administrator, shareholder servicing agent, custodian or subcustodian, notwithstanding that (A) the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses from such funds for services rendered (provided that such charges, fees and expenses are on terms consistent with terms negotiated at arm's length) and (B) the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses for services rendered, pursuant to this Indenture; provided that (x) such fund or vehicle is formed and has its principal office outside of the United States and (y) the ownership of an interest in such fund or vehicle will not subject the Issuer to net income tax in any jurisdiction;

(h) a guaranteed reinvestment agreement from a bank (if treated as a deposit by such bank), insurance company or other corporation or entity organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (if treated as debt by such insurance company or other corporation or entity), providing for periodic payments thereunder during each Due Period; provided that each such agreement provides that it is terminable by the purchaser, without premium or penalty, in the event that the rating assigned to such agreement by either Moody's or S&P is at any time lower than the then current ratings assigned to the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes; provided, further, that, at the time of investment therein and throughout the term of the investment, the issuer of such agreement has a senior unsecured long-term debt rating, issuer rating or counterparty rating of at least "Aaa" by Moody's, a short-term debt rating of "P-1" by Moody's (and not on watch for downgrade), a short-term debt rating of at least "A-1+" by S&P and a long-term debt rating of at least "AAA" by S&P (and not on watch for downgrade); and

(i) such other investments for which Rating Confirmation has been received;

and, in each case, with a stated maturity (giving effect to any applicable grace period) no later than the Business Day before the Payment Date next succeeding the date of the investment.

Eligible Investments on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account must have a stated maturity no later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase.

Eligible Investments may not include:

(1) any interest-only security, any security purchased at a price in excess of 100% of its par value, or any security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager;

(2) any security whose rating assigned by S&P includes the subscript "r," "t," "p," "pi," or "q";

(3) any floating rate security whose interest rate is inversely or otherwise not proportionately related to an interest rate index or is calculated as other than the sum of an interest rate index plus a spread (which spread may be zero);

(4) any security that is subject to an exchange or tender offer; or

(5) any security that has payments subject to foreign or United States withholding tax.

Eligible Investments may include Eligible Investments for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee provides services. Eligible Investments may not include obligations principally secured by real property.

**"Emerging Market Security"**: A security or obligation issued by a sovereign or non-sovereign issuer located in a country (excluding the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Netherlands Antilles, and the Channel Islands):

(i) that is in Latin America, Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, or the Caribbean, or

(ii) the long-term foreign currency debt obligations of which are rated below "Aa2" or "Aa2" and on credit watch with negative implications by Moody's or the foreign currency issuer credit rating of which is below "AA" by S&P.

**"Equity Security"**: (a) Any equity security or any other security which is not eligible for purchase by the Issuer and is received with respect to a Collateral Obligation or a Defaulted Collateral Obligation and (b) any similar security purchased as part of a "unit" with a Collateral Obligation and which itself is not eligible for purchase by the Issuer.

**"ERISA"**: The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended.

**"Euroclear"**: Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear system.

**"Event of Default"**: The meaning specified in Section 5.1.

**"Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations"**: The Principal Balance of all CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations in excess of 7.5% of the Maximum Investment Amount on the relevant Determination Date.

**"Exchange Act"**: The United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

**"Excluded Property"**: U.S.\$250 (attributable to the issue and allotment of the Issuer Ordinary Shares) and a U.S.\$250 transaction fee paid to the Issuer, the bank account in which those amounts are credited in the Cayman Islands and any interest earned on those amounts.

**"Expense Reimbursement Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(c).

**"Extended Reinvestment Period End Date"**: If an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Reinvestment Period End Date (or, in the case of the first Extension pursuant to Section 2.4, the Payment Date in November, 2016); provided that the "Extended Reinvestment Period End Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November, 2028.

**"Extended Stated Maturity Date"**: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Stated Maturity Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Payment Date in November, 2021); provided that the "Extended Stated Maturity Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November, 2033.

**"Extended Weighted Average Life Date"**: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Weighted Average Life Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Weighted Average Life Date, the Payment Date in February 2019); provided that the "Extended Weighted Average Life Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in February, 2031.

**"Extension"**: An extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test pursuant to Section 2.4.

**"Extension Bonus Payment"**: With respect to each Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable Beneficial Owner set forth in Section 2.4(g), in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such Beneficial Owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class B Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such Beneficial Owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (3) in the case of the Class C Notes (including the Class 1 Note Component), 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such Beneficial Owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date and (4) in the case of the Class D Notes, 0.50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such Beneficial Owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

**"Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification"**: With respect to each Maturity Extension and each Beneficial Owner of Notes and Class 1 Combination Securities (to the extent of the Class 1 Note Component) other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such Beneficial Owner substantially in the form annexed to Exhibit J to the effect that it held Notes and the Class 1 Combination Securities (to the extent of the Class 1 Note Component) other than Extension Sale Securities on the applicable Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof in the case of the Notes or the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class 1 Note Component in the case of the Class 1 Combination Securities and wire transfer instructions for the Extension Bonus Payment.

**"Extension Conditions"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Determination Date"**: The 8<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to each Extension Effective Date.

**"Extension Effective Date"**: If an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extension Effective Date (or, in the case of the first Extension Effective Date, the Payment Date in November, 2010); provided that if the Extension Conditions are not satisfied because the Holders of Class A-1 Notes have failed to deliver an Extension Sale Notice or have failed to provide their written consent to the related Maturity Extension, then the Portfolio Manager may extend the Extension Effective Date to such later date (not to exceed 7 Business Days after the then proposed Extension Effective Date) if the Portfolio Manager

shall cause the Extension Conditions set forth in clause (v) of such definition to be satisfied as of such later date.

**"Extension Notice"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Purchase Price"**: The purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with each Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the applicable Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since the Closing Date would cause such Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); provided, however, that if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Preference Shares shall be zero, (iii) in the case of the Class 1 Combination Securities, the sum of (x) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (i) in respect of the Class C Notes underlying the Class 1 Note Component and (y) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (ii) in respect of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 1 Combination Security Preference Share Component and (iv) in the case of the Class 2 Combination Securities, the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (ii) in respect of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 2 Combination Security Preference Share Component.

**"Extension Qualifying Purchasers"**: The Portfolio Manager (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); provided that in the event the Portfolio Manager elects not to purchase Securities or Preference Shares from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.4(c), "Extension Qualifying Purchasers" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Placement Agent or any of their Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Portfolio Manager; provided, however, none of the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agent, or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

**"Extension Sale Notice"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Sale Notice Period"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Sale Securities"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Face Amount"**: With respect to any Preference Share, the amount set forth therein as the "face amount" thereof, which "face amount" shall be \$1,000 per Preference Share.

**"Finance Lease"**: A lease agreement or other agreement entered into in connection with and evidencing a Leasing Finance Transaction.

**"Financial Asset"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(9) of the UCC.

**"Financing Statements"**: Financing statements relating to the Collateral naming the Issuer as debtor and the Trustee on behalf of the Secured Parties as secured party and relating to the Class 2 Collateral naming the Issuer as debtor and the Trustee on behalf of the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities as secured party.

**"Fixed Rate Excess"**: As of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose numerator is the product of:

(i) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date over the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, and

(ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date,

and whose denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Fixed Rate Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Spread Excess were equal to zero.

**"Fixed Rate Obligation":** Any Collateral Obligation that bears interest at a fixed rate, including a Collateral Obligation that does not bear interest on a floating rate index and whose interest rate is scheduled to increase one or more times over the life of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Floating Rate Obligation":** Any Collateral Obligation that bears interest based on a floating rate index.

**"Form-Approved Synthetic Security":** A Synthetic Security

(i) (A) each of the Reference Obligations of which satisfy the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and could be purchased by the Issuer without any required action by the Rating Agencies, without satisfaction of the Rating Condition or which the Rating Agencies have otherwise approved; or

(B) each of the Reference Obligations of which would satisfy clause (A) above but for the currency in which the Reference Obligation is payable and the Synthetic Security is payable in Dollars, does not provide for physical settlement, and does not expose the Issuer to Dollar currency risk;

(ii) the Synthetic Security Agreement of which conforms (but for the amount and timing of periodic payments, the name of the Reference Obligation, the notional amount, the effective date, the termination date, and other similar necessary changes) to a form that has been expressly identified and approved in writing in connection with a request under this Indenture by Moody's and S&P; and

(iii) that is with a counterparty with respect to which the Rating Condition has been satisfied by each of Moody's and S&P prior to the acquisition of any such Form-Approved Synthetic Security, and such approval has not been withdrawn.

Moody's or S&P may at any time, by notice to the Portfolio Manager, withdraw its approval of any such form. A withdrawal of approval shall have no effect on any Synthetic Security acquired, entered into, or committed to before the date on which the Portfolio Manager receives the notice of withdrawal.

**"GAAP":** The meaning specified in Section 6.3(j).

**"Global Notes":** Any Regulation S Global Notes or Rule 144A Global Notes.

**"Global Security":** Any Regulation S Global Security or Rule 144 A Global Note.



**"Grant":** To grant, bargain, sell, warrant, alienate, remise, demise, release, convey, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge, create, and grant a security interest in and right of setoff against, deposit, set over, and confirm. A Grant of the Pledged Obligations, or of any other instrument, shall include all rights, powers, and options of the granting party thereunder, including the immediate continuing right to claim for, collect, receive, and receipt for principal and interest payments in respect of the Pledged Obligations, and all other monies payable thereunder, to give and receive notices and other communications, to make waivers or other agreements, to exercise all rights and options, to bring Proceedings in the name of the granting party or otherwise, and generally to do and receive anything that the granting party is or may be entitled to do or receive thereunder or with respect thereto.

**"Hedge Agreements":** Collectively, all interest rate cap or interest rate swap agreements between the Issuer and any Hedge Counterparty, and any replacement agreement entered into pursuant to Section 15.2.

**"Hedge Counterparty":** Any counterparty that when the Issuer enters into any Hedge Agreement with such counterparty, it satisfies the requirements of Section 15.2(b) (subject, in the case of any other counterparty, to satisfaction of the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency).

**"Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account":** The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(d).

**"Hedge Termination Receipt":** Any termination payment paid by the Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer upon any early termination of a Hedge Agreement with respect to which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**"High-Yield Bond":** Any debt security other than a Loan, including any Structured Finance Obligation, that is either Registered or, if not Registered, (i) it is issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States, (ii) the payments on it are not subject to United States withholding tax and (iii) it is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation Section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**"Holder":** With respect to any Note or Combination Security, the person whose name appears on the Indenture Register as the registered holder of the Note or Combination Security and with respect to any Preference Share, the person whose name appears in the Preference Share register related thereto as the registered holder of such Preference Share; and with respect to any Component, the person whose name appears in the Indenture Register as the registered holder of the Combination Security representing the Component.

**"Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice":** A notice substantially in the form of Exhibit H-2.

**"Incentive Management Fee":** On each Payment Date, the fee payable to the Portfolio Manager in an amount equal to: (i) 20% of the remaining Interest Proceeds, if any, available after making the distributions on such Payment pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(i)(17) of the Priority of Payments and (ii) 20% of the remaining Principal Proceeds, if any, available for payment in respect of the Incentive Management Fee pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(5)(A) of the Priority of Payments and, if applicable, Section 11.1(a)(ii)(14) of the Priority of Payments.

**"Indenture":** This instrument as originally executed and, if from time to time supplemented or amended by one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture entered into pursuant to this Indenture, as so supplemented or amended.

**"Indenture Register":** The meaning specified in Section 2.6(a).

**"Indenture Registrar":** The meaning specified in Section 2.6(a).

**"Independent"**: As to any person, any other person (including, in the case of an accountant or lawyer, a firm of accountants or lawyers, and any member of the firm, or an investment bank and any member of the bank) who

(i) does not have and is not committed to acquire any material direct or any material indirect financial interest in the person or in any Affiliate of the person, and

(ii) is not connected with the person as an Officer, employee, promoter, underwriter, voting trustee, partner, director, or person performing similar functions.

**"Independent"** when used with respect to any accountant may include an accountant who audits the books of the person if in addition to satisfying the criteria above the accountant is independent with respect to the person within the meaning of Rule 101 of the Code of Ethics of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

Whenever any Independent person's opinion or certificate is to be furnished to the Trustee, the opinion or certificate shall state that the signer has read this definition and that the signer is Independent within the meaning of this Indenture.

**"Initial Consent Period"**: The period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee provided notice of a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2(c) to the Holders of Securities and Preference Shares.

**"Initial Rating"**: The ratings by Moody's and S&P with respect to each Class of Notes and the Combination Securities provided in the table in Section 2.3(a).

**"Insolvency Event"**: With respect to any person, means that:

(i) an involuntary proceeding shall be commenced or an involuntary petition shall be filed seeking:

(A) liquidation, reorganization, or other relief in respect of the person or its debts, or of all or substantially all of its assets, under any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar law now or hereafter in effect, or

(B) the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, conservator, or similar official for the person or for all or substantially all of its assets,

and, in any such case, the proceeding or petition shall continue undismissed for 30 days; or an order or decree approving or ordering any of the foregoing shall be entered, or

(ii) the person shall:

(A) voluntarily commence any proceeding or file any petition seeking liquidation, reorganization, or other relief under any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar law now or hereafter in effect,

(B) consent to the institution of, or fail to contest in a timely and appropriate manner, any proceeding or petition described in clause (i) above,

(C) apply for or consent to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, or conservator or for all or substantially all of its assets,

(D) file an answer admitting the material allegations of a petition filed against it in any such proceeding, or

(E) make a general assignment for the benefit of creditors.

**"Insolvency Proceeding"**: The meaning specified in Section 16.4(b).

**"Instrument"**: The meaning specified in Section 9-102(a)(47) of the UCC.

**"Interest Coverage Ratio"**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes (treating the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes as one Class for this purpose) on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by dividing:

(i) the sum of:

(A) the Interest Proceeds received or scheduled to be received with respect to the Due Period in which the Measurement Date occurs, minus

(B) amounts payable under clauses (1), (2), (3) and (4) of Section 11.1(a)(i) on the related Payment Date, by:

(ii) all accrued and unpaid interest on the specified Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to the Class, including any Deferred Interest on the related Payment Date.

For purposes of the Interest Coverage Ratio, only the amount of any interest payment (including any "gross up" payment) on any Collateral Obligation in excess of any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction on any date of determination shall be included in Interest Proceeds.

**"Interest Coverage Test"**: A test the first Measurement Date for which will be on the second Payment Date and that is satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes (treating the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes as one Class for this purpose) if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level in the table below for the specified Class:

<u>Test</u>	<u>Required Level</u>
Class A/B Interest Coverage Test	120%
Class C Interest Coverage Test	115%
Class D Interest Coverage Test	110%

**"Interest Period"**: Initially, the period from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the first Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date.

**"Interest Proceeds"**: With respect to any Due Period, the sum (without duplication) of all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period (or as otherwise specified below) by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are:

(i) payments of interest, fees, and commissions (excluding (A) Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal, (B) interest and dividends on Workout Assets, (C) fees and commissions from Defaulted Collateral Obligations, and (D) syndication and other up-front fees and any up-front fixed payments received in connection with entering into a Synthetic Security);

(ii) any portion of the Sale Proceeds of a Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) representing Accrued Interest On Sale;

(iii) all payments of principal on, or disposition proceeds from the sale of, Eligible Investments to the extent purchased with Interest Proceeds;

(iv) payments with respect to the Hedge Agreements received on or before the related Payment Date (other than any amount payable thereunder because of any early termination or notional amount reduction), but not any Sale Proceeds from any of these instruments (except to the extent that they were purchased with Interest Proceeds);

(v) all fees received pursuant to any Securities Lending Agreements;

(vi) during the continuance of an "event of default" (under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement), all interest received from the related Securities Lending Collateral;

(vii) amounts in the Collection Account designated for distribution as Interest Proceeds pursuant to the Priority of Payments (including any amount transferred from the Interest Reserve Account);

(viii) all earnings on amounts in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account and the Revolving Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.3(b);

(ix) amounts in the Expense Reimbursement Account on the Payment Date for the relevant Due Period; and

(x) any recoveries (including interest) received on a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in excess of the principal balance of such Defaulted Collateral Obligation (as of the date the related Collateral Obligation became a Defaulted Collateral Obligation).

Interest Proceeds shall not include the Excluded Property and Interest Proceeds shall not include earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

Each reference in the definition of "Interest Proceeds" to a Collateral Obligation shall include a Collateral Obligation that has been loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and Interest Proceeds shall include any amounts referred to in clauses (i) through (iii) above received by the Issuer in respect of the Collateral Obligation indirectly from the related Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement.

**"Interest Reserve Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(i).

**"Investment Company Act"**: The United States Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

**"Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance"**: For any Collateral Obligation other than Deep Discount Obligations, its Principal Balance; and for any Deep Discount Obligation its Purchase Price; provided, however, that if any Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations exist, the Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance for the Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations shall be the lower of (i) the weighted average Market Value of all CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances and (ii) the product of (a) 70% and (b) their respective Principal Balance.

**"Investment Obligation"**: For a Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security, and otherwise the Collateral Obligation.

**"Issuer"**: The person named as such on the first page of this Indenture.

**"Issuer Accounts"**: The meaning assigned in the Granting Clauses.

**"Issuer Order"** and **"Issuer Request"**: A written order or request dated and signed in the name of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, or by the Portfolio Manager by an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

**"Issuer Ordinary Shares"**: The ordinary shares, par value \$1.00 per share, of the Issuer which have been issued by the Issuer and are outstanding from time to time.

**"Junior Class"**: With respect to a particular Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that is subordinated to that Class, as indicated in Section 13.1.

**"Knowledgeable Employee"**: The meaning specified in Rule 3c-5 under the Investment Company Act.

**"Leasing Finance Transaction"**: Any transaction pursuant to which the obligations of the lessee to pay rent or other amounts on a triple net basis under any lease of (or other arrangement conveying the right to use) real or personal property, or a combination thereof, are required to be classified and accounted for as a capital lease on a balance sheet of such lessee under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America; but only if (a) such lease or other transaction provides for the unconditional obligation of the lessee to pay a stated amount of principal no later than a stated maturity date, together with interest thereon, and the payment of such obligation is not subject to any material non-credit related risk as determined by the Portfolio Manager, (b) the obligations of the lessee in respect of such lease or other transaction are fully secured, directly or indirectly, by the property that is the subject of such lease and (c) the interest held by the Issuer in respect of such lease or other transaction is treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

**"LIBOR"**: Determined by the Calculation Agent for any Interest Period, the offered rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent, for three month Dollar deposits that appears on Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News (or a page that replaces Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), as of 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period.

If, on the second Business Day before the first day of any relevant Interest Period, that rate does not appear on Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Market Commodities News (or a page that replaces Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), the Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks to prime banks in the London interbank market for three month Dollar deposits in Europe, by reference to requests by the Calculation Agent to four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Portfolio Manager) (the **"Reference Banks"**) for quotations as of approximately 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the Interest Period. If at least two of the Reference Banks provide quotations as requested, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean. If fewer than two Reference Banks provide quotations, LIBOR shall be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that leading banks in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Portfolio Manager) are quoting to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period for three month Dollar deposits.

If the Calculation Agent is unable to determine a rate in accordance with any of the above procedures, LIBOR for the Interest Period shall be calculated on the last day of the Interest Period and shall be the arithmetic mean of the rate of interest for each day during the Interest Period determined by the Calculation Agent as being the rate of interest most recently announced by the Bank at its New York office as its base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans (or if the Bank ceases to exist or is not quoting a base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans, another major money center commercial bank in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Portfolio Manager)).

For the first Interest Period, LIBOR shall be determined based on the actual number of days in the Interest Period using straight-line interpolation of two rates calculated in accordance with the above procedure, except that instead of using three month deposits, one rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next shorter than the Interest Period and the other rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next longer than the Interest Period. All calculations shall be calculated to at least four decimal places and rounded to four decimal places.

**"Loan":** Any interest in a fully committed, senior secured, unsecured, or revolving loan (including loans involving credit linked deposits) that is acquired by assignment or by Participation (including any DIP Loan) that is either:

- (i) Registered, or
- (ii) issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States:
  - (A) whose payments are not subject to United States withholding tax; and
  - (B) that is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation Section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**"Long-Dated Collateral Obligation":** Any Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturity of the Notes other than a Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturities of the Notes that includes a "put" option to its obligor at a price of at least par payable on or before the Stated Maturity of the Notes; provided that such Collateral Obligation shall in no event have a stated maturity later than two years after the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

**"Majority":** With respect to any Class or group of Notes or Combination Securities or the Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Combination Securities or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**"Management Agreement":** The Portfolio Management Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Management Fee":** The Senior Management Fee, the Subordinated Management Fee, and the Incentive Management Fee. The Portfolio Manager may, in its sole discretion:

- (i) waive all or any portion of the Management Fee, any funds representing the waived Management Fees to be retained in the Collection Account for distribution as either Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds (as determined by the Portfolio Manager) pursuant to the Priority of Payments; or
- (ii) defer all or any portion of the Management Fee, any funds representing the deferred Management Fees to be retained in the Collection Account, when they will, subject to the limitation

in Section 11.1(a)(i)(3), become payable in the same manner and priority as their original characterization would have required unless deferred again.

**"Margin Stock":** "Margin Stock" as defined under Regulation U issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, including any debt security that is by its terms convertible into Margin Stock, but does not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation received pursuant to an offer by an issuer of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**"Market Value":** As of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Portfolio Manager and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any Collateral Obligation based upon the Portfolio Manager's commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the lower of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the bid-side prices for the purchase of the Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Portfolio Manager) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Portfolio Manager); provided that if a Market Value of any Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined for a period of 30 consecutive days then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero; provided, further, that during such 30 day period, such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the lower of (i) (if any) the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as most recently determined by the Portfolio Manager in accordance with the foregoing and (ii) the current market value of such Collateral Obligation as determined by the Portfolio Manager in its commercially reasonable judgment; provided, further, that the maximum amount of Collateral Obligations having a Market Value assigned pursuant to the immediately preceding proviso shall be limited to 5.0% of the Maximum Investment Amount (and any amount in excess of 5.0% of the Maximum Investment Amount shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero).

**"Market Value Percentage":** For any Collateral Obligation, the ratio obtained by dividing:

- (i) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation, by
- (ii) the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Maturity":** With respect to any Note, the date on which the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable as provided in the Note or this Indenture, whether at the Stated Maturity or by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise.

**"Maturity Extension":** The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Maximum Investment Amount":** An amount equal to:

- (i) on any Measurement Date during the Ramp-Up Period, \$872,000,000; and
- (ii) on any Measurement Date after the Ramp-Up Completion Date:
  - (A) the aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations plus the aggregate outstanding principal amount of any Defaulted Collateral Obligations, plus
  - (B) Cash representing Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account, plus

(C) Eligible Investments (other than Cash) purchased by the Issuer with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account.

**"Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor"**: As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the sum of (i) the number set forth in the column entitled "Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Portfolio Manager (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable) plus (ii) the Recovery Rate Modifier.

**"Measurement Date"**: Any date:

- (i) on which the Issuer commits to acquire or dispose of any Collateral Obligation,
- (ii) on which a Collateral Obligation becomes a Defaulted Collateral Obligation,
- (iii) that is a Determination Date,
- (iv) that is the Ramp-Up Completion Date, and
- (v) that is the date as of which the information in a Monthly Report is calculated pursuant to Section 10.6.

**"Memorandum and Articles of Association"**: The memorandum and articles of association of the Issuer, as amended and restated before the Closing Date or in accordance with this Indenture.

**"Merging Entity"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.10.

**"Minimum Diversity Score"**: As of any Measurement Date, a score equal to the number set forth in the column entitled "Minimum Diversity Score" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Portfolio Manager (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**"Minimum Weighted Average Commitment Fee"**: As of any Measurement Date, 0.40%.

**"Minimum Weighted Average Spread"**: As of any Measurement Date, the spread equal to the percentage set forth in the row entitled "Minimum Weighted Average Spread" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Portfolio Manager (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**"Monthly Determination Date"**: The meaning specified in Section 10.6(a).

**"Monthly Report"**: The meaning specified in Section 10.6(a).

**"Moody's"**: Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

**"Moody's Default Probability Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Moody's Group I Country"**: Any of the following countries: Australia, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group I Country.



**"Moody's Group II Country"**: Any of the following countries: Germany, Ireland, Sweden, Switzerland and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group II Country.

**"Moody's Group III Country"**: Any of the following countries: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, Spain and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group III Country.

**"Moody's Industry Classification"**: The industry classifications in Schedule 2 as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by Moody's.

**"Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate"**: As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the number obtained by

- (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate,
- (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations, and
- (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

**"Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan"**: Any Loan that is not a Moody's Senior Secured Loan.

**"Moody's Obligation Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Moody's Priority Category"**: Each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" as a "Moody's Priority Category."

**"Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate"**: For any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" opposite the Moody's Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Moody's Rating Factor"**: The number in the table below opposite the rating of the Collateral Obligation (excluding Synthetic Securities where an Assigned Moody's Rating is not available).

Moody's Rating	Moody's Rating Factor	Moody's Rating	Moody's Rating Factor
Aaa	1	Ba1	940
Aa1	10	Ba2	1350
Aa2	20	Ba3	1766
Aa3	40	B1	2220
A1	70	B2	2720
A2	120	B3	3490
A3	180	Caa1	4770
Baa1	260	Caa2	6500

Baa2	360	Caa3	8070
Baa3	610	Ca or lower	10000

The Moody's Rating Factor for Collateral Obligations that are Synthetic Securities shall be determined by Moody's and obtained by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on a case-by-case basis, unless there is an Assigned Moody's Rating available for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, in which case such Assigned Moody's Rating shall be used to compute the Moody's Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security.

***"Moody's Senior Secured Loan":***

(a) A Loan that:

(i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan,

(ii) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan, and

(iii) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal seniority secured by a first lien or security interest in the same collateral, or

(b) a Loan that:

(i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan, other than, with respect to a Loan described in clause (a) above, with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such loan,

(ii) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan, and

(iii) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by a first or second lien or security interest in the same collateral,

(c) the Loan is not: (i) a DIP Loan, (ii) a Loan for which the security interest or lien (or the validity or effectiveness thereof) in substantially all of its collateral attaches, becomes effective, or otherwise "springs" into existence after the origination thereof, or (iii) a type of loan that Moody's has identified as having unusual terms and with respect to which its Moody's Recovery Rate has been or is to be determined on a case-by-case basis, and

(d) if the Loan is a Second Lien Loan under clause (b) above, such Loan has an Assigned Moody's Rating that is not lower than the corporate family rating by Moody's of the related obligor.

**"Non-Call Period":** The period from the Closing Date to but not including the Payment Date in November, 2010.

**"Non-Consenting Holder":** In connection with any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities or Preference Shares, with respect to the Holders of the Securities or the Preference Shares, any such Holder or, in the case of such Securities represented by Global Securities, any Beneficial Owner thereof, that either (i) has declared in writing that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) had not consented to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period; provided that, during the Non-Call Period, "Non-Consenting Holder" shall exclude any Holder or, in the case of Securities represented by Global Securities, Beneficial Owner, of the Class A-1 Notes, unless such Holder or Beneficial Owner shall have consented in writing to the designation as a Non-Consenting Holder.

**"Non-Performing Collateral Obligation":** Any Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any PIK Security as to which its issuer or obligor has previously deferred or capitalized any interest due on it and all the interest so deferred or capitalized has not subsequently been paid in full in cash by:

- (i) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above, the earlier of its second payment date or one year following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it, or
- (ii) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "Baa3," or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "BBB-," the earlier of its first payment date or six months following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it.

**"Non-Permitted Holder":** A Holder or Beneficial Owner of an interest in a Global Security or a Certificated Security that is a U.S. person and (i) with respect to a Global Security, is not a QIB/QP and that becomes the Beneficial Owner of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note, (ii) with respect to a U.S. Certificated Security, is not (x) a QIB/QP or (y) an Accredited Investor and a Qualified Purchaser and that becomes the Beneficial Owner of an interest in a U.S. Certificated Security or (iii) does not have an exemption available under the Securities Act.

**"Note Break-Even Loss Rate":** With respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the maximum percentage of defaults that the Current Portfolio or Proposed Portfolio can sustain and nevertheless sufficient funds will remain for the payment of principal of such Class of Notes in full by its Stated Maturity and the timely payment of interest on the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes and the ultimate payment of interest on the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes using S&P's assumptions on recoveries, defaults, and timing, and taking into account the Priority of Payments and the adjusted Weighted Average Spread level specified in the applicable row of the table below. The adjusted Weighted Average Spread as of any Measurement Date is the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date minus the amount of any Spread Excess added to the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon as of the Measurement Date.

Row	Adjusted Weighted Average Spread
1	Greater than or equal to 3.05%
2	Greater than or equal to 2.95% but less than 3.05%
3	Greater than or equal to 2.85% but less than 2.95%
4	Greater than or equal to 2.75% but less than 2.85%

5	Greater than or equal to 2.65% but less than 2.75%
6	Greater than or equal to 2.55% but less than 2.65%
7	Greater than or equal to 2.45% but less than 2.55%
8	Greater than or equal to 2.35% but less than 2.45%
9	Greater than or equal to 2.25% but less than 2.35%

**"Note Class Loss Differential"**: With respect to any Measurement Date and any Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the rate calculated by subtracting the Class Scenario Loss Rate for such Class from the then-applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate for such Class of Notes.

**"Noteholder"**: A Holder of any Class of Notes.

**"Note Interest Rate"**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate payable on the Notes of such Class with respect to each Interest Period equal to LIBOR for the applicable Interest Period plus the spread specified in the "Interest Rate" rows of the tables in Section 2.3 with respect to such Notes, except in the first Interest Period.

**"Note Payment Sequence"**: The application of funds in the following order:

- (1) to the Class A-1 Notes until the Class A-1 Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (2) to the Class A-2 Notes until the Class A-2 Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (3) to the Class B Notes until the Class B Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (4) to the Class C Notes until the Class C Notes have been fully redeemed; and
- (5) to the Class D Notes until the Class D Notes have been fully redeemed.

**"Notes"**: The Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes authorized by, and authenticated and delivered under, this Indenture or any supplemental indenture.

**"Offer"**: The meaning specified in Section 10.7(c).

**"Offering"**: The offering of the Securities and the Preference Shares.

**"Offering Memorandum"**: The final Offering Memorandum, dated October 7, 2005, prepared and delivered in connection with the offer and sale of the Notes, the Combination Securities and the Preference Shares.

**"Officer"**: With respect to the Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to the Co-Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to any partnership, any of its general partners; and with respect to the Trustee, any Trust Officer.

**"Opinion of Counsel"**: A written opinion addressed to the Trustee and each Rating Agency, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and each Rating Agency, of an attorney at law (or law

firm with one or more partners) reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and admitted to practice before the highest court of any state of the United States or the District of Columbia (or the Cayman Islands, in the case of an opinion relating to the laws of the Cayman Islands), which attorney (or law firm) may, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, be counsel for the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. Whenever an Opinion of Counsel is required under this Indenture, the Opinion of Counsel may rely on opinions of other counsel who are so admitted and so satisfactory, which opinions of other counsel shall accompany the Opinion of Counsel and shall either be addressed to the Trustee and each Rating Agency or shall state that the Trustee and each Rating Agency may rely on it. An Opinion of Counsel may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion.

**"Optional Redemption"**: A redemption of the Notes in accordance with Section 9.2.

**"Other Indebtedness"**: The meaning specified in the definition of "Defaulted Collateral Obligation."

**"Outstanding"**: With respect to: (a) the Notes and the Combination Securities or any specified Class, as of any date of determination, all of the Notes, all of the Combination Securities, or all of the Notes or Combination Securities of the specified Class, as the case may be, theretofore authenticated and delivered under this Indenture, except with respect to Notes and Combination Securities:

(i) Securities canceled by the Indenture Registrar or delivered to the Indenture Registrar for cancellation;

(ii) Notes for whose payment or redemption funds in the necessary amount have been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for their Holders pursuant to Section 4.1(a)(ii) and if the Notes are to be redeemed, notice of redemption has been duly given pursuant to this Indenture;

(iii) Notes in exchange for or in lieu of which other Notes have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to this Indenture and Combination Securities in exchange for or in lieu of which other Combination Securities or Notes relating to their Components have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to this Indenture; and

(iv) Securities alleged to have been destroyed, lost, or stolen for which replacement Securities have been issued as provided in Section 2.7, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Securities are held by a protected purchaser;

(b) the Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Preference Share Documents and listed in the Preference Share register of the Issuer as outstanding;

provided that, in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes, the Preference Shares or the Combination Securities have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, or waiver under this Indenture,

(1) the Holders of Combination Securities shall be entitled to voting rights in respect of their Preference Share Components in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of their Preference Share Components bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Preference Shares and shall not have voting rights as a separate Class except to the extent otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture;

(2) the Holders of the Class 1 Combination Securities shall be entitled to voting rights in respect of their Class 1 Note Components in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of their

Class 1 Note Components bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes and shall not have voting rights as a separate Class except to the extent otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture; and

(3) Securities or Preference Shares owned or beneficially owned by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, any Affiliate of either of them and (only (x) with respect to any matter affecting its status as Portfolio Manager, or (y) in any matter respecting an acceleration of any Class of Notes or Preference Shares if the effect of the Portfolio Manager's action or inaction as a Holder of Notes or Preference Shares would effectively prevent acceleration) the Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates and any accounts over which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority shall be disregarded and not be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, or waiver, only Notes or Preference Shares that a Trust Officer of the Trustee has actual knowledge to be so owned or beneficially owned shall be so disregarded. Notes, Combination Securities or Preference Shares so owned or beneficially owned that have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee the pledgee's right so to act with respect to the Notes, Combination Securities or Preference Shares and that the pledgee is not the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any Affiliate of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

**"Overcollateralization Ratio":** With respect to any Class of Notes (treating the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes as one Class for this purpose) on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by dividing:

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator; by
- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it (excluding any Deferred Interest on the Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it).

**"Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator":** On any date, the sum of:

(1) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (other than any Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, any Deep Discount Obligations, and any Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an "event of default" (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing); plus

(2) unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal (excluding any unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal in respect of Non-Performing Collateral Obligations); plus

(3) the Aggregate Principal Balance of any Eligible Investments that were purchased with Principal Proceeds and, without duplication, the amount of Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; plus

(4) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Eligible Investments on deposit in a Securities Lending Account that relate to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an "event of default" (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing; plus

(5) with respect Collateral Obligation that are Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, Deep Discount Obligations or Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, the amount determined by using one of the following methods applicable to such type of Collateral Obligation; provided that if a Collateral Obligation falls within more than one of such types, the Issuer will be required to use the method that results in the smallest amount:

(A) with respect to any Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, an amount equal to the product of (i) the lower of (1) 70% and (2) the weighted average Market Value of all CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances multiplied by (ii) the Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations;

(B) with respect to any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, the aggregate of the Applicable Collateral Obligation Amounts for all included Non-Performing Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations that have been held by the Issuer for more than three years, which shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this clause (B)); and

(C) with respect to any Deep Discount Obligations, the Aggregate Purchase Price Amount for all Deep Discount Obligations.

As used in this definition, "***Applicable Collateral Obligation Amount***" for any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation means:

(a) the lesser of:

(x) the Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation; and

(y) the Applicable Percentage for the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation;

*multiplied by:*

(b) if the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation is:

(1) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (2) through (4) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;

(2) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;

(3) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and

(4) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

As used in the calculation of Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation, the Principal Balance of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall be, if the Defaulted Collateral Obligation is:

(i) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (ii) through (iv) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;

(ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;

(iii) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and

(iv) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

**"Overcollateralization Test":** A test that is satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes (treating the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes as one Class for this purpose) if, as of any

Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for such Class is at least equal to the required level for the specified Class indicated in the table below:

<u>Test</u>	<u>Required Level</u>
Class A/B Overcollateralization Test	112.4%
Class C Overcollateralization Test	108.3%
Class D Overcollateralization Test	104.2%

**"Participating Institution"**: An institution that creates a participation interest and that has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" (and if so rated by Moody's such rating is not on watch for possible downgrade) and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A".

**"Participation"**: A Loan acquired as a participation interest created by a Participating Institution.

**"Paying Agent"**: Any person authorized by the Issuer to pay the principal of or interest on any Notes or to pay amounts on any Combination Securities on behalf of the Issuer as specified in Section 7.2.

**"Payment Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(h).

**"Payment Date"**: The first day of February, May, August and November in each year, commencing in February, 2006 or, if any such day is not a Business Day, the next following Business Day, any other date on which the Notes are redeemed or paid before their Stated Maturity, and at the Stated Maturity for the Notes.

**"Permitted Offer"**: An Offer pursuant to which the offeror offers to acquire a debt obligation (including a Collateral Obligation) in exchange solely for cash in an amount equal to or greater than the full face amount of the debt obligation plus any accrued and unpaid interest and as to which the Portfolio Manager has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the offeror has sufficient access to financing to consummate the Offer.

**"PIK Cash-Pay Interest"**: As to any PIK Security, the portion of interest required to be paid in cash (and not permitted to be added to the balance of such PIK Security or otherwise deferred and accrued) thereon pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments.

**"PIK Security"**: Any loan or debt obligation on which any portion of the interest accrued for a specified period of time or until the maturity thereof is, or at the option of the obligor may be, added to the principal balance of such loan or debt obligation or otherwise deferred rather than being paid in cash, provided that such loan or debt obligation shall not be a PIK Security if the portion, if any, of such interest required pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments to be paid in Cash would result in the outstanding principal amount of such loan or debt obligation having an effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest at least equal to (i) if such loan or debt obligation is a fixed rate loan or debt obligation, 4% per annum, or (ii) if such loan or debt obligation is a floating rate loan or debt obligation, LIBOR.

**"Placed Securities"**: The Notes, the Combination Securities and the Preference Shares, in each case placed by the Placement Agent pursuant to the Placement Agency Agreement.

**"Placement Agency Agreement"**: A placement agency agreement dated October 13, 2005 among the Co-Issuers, and Banc of America Securities LLC relating to the placement of the Placed Securities, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Placement Agent"**: Banc of America Securities LLC.



**"Pledged Obligations"**: As of any date of determination, the Collateral Obligations, the Workout Assets, the Eligible Investments, and any other securities or obligations that have been Granted to the Trustee that form part of the Collateral.

**"Portfolio Manager"**: Highland Capital Management, L.P., and any successor Portfolio Manager pursuant to the Management Agreement.

**"Preference Share Component"**: The Class 1 Combination Security Preference Share Component and/or the Class 2 Combination Security Preference Share Component, as applicable.

**"Preference Shares Distribution Account"**: A segregated bank account established by the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deposit all amounts received from the Issuer and payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares under the Priority of Payments.

**"Preference Share Documents"**: The Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the resolutions of the Issuer's Board of Directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

**"Preference Share Internal Rate of Return"**: With respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the "XIRR" function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for the following cash flows, assuming all Preference Shares were purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount:

(i) each distribution of Interest Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date and

(ii) each distribution of Principal Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date.

**"Preference Shares"**: The Preference Shares issued by the Issuer pursuant to the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association and the resolutions of the Issuer's Board of Directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares (and including any Additional Preference Shares issued pursuant to Section 9 of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement).

**"Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement"**: The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, by and between the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

**"Preference Shares Paying Agent"**: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, in its capacity as Preference Shares Paying Agent under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter "Preference Shares Paying Agent" shall mean such successor person.

**"Principal Balance"**: With respect to:

(i) any Pledged Obligation other than those specifically covered in this definition, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;

(ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;

(iii) any Pledged Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest, zero, except as otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture;

(iv) any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, except as otherwise provided, zero;

(v) any Collateral Obligation that has been loaned, its Principal Balance shall be reduced by the excess of the amount of collateral required over the actual Market Value of the collateral;

(vi) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance shall include any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount), except as otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture;

(vii) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance shall not include any principal amount of the PIK Security representing previously deferred or capitalized interest; and

(viii) any obligation or security that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, zero.

**"Principal Proceeds":** With respect to any Due Period, (i) all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are not Interest Proceeds and (ii) the net proceeds received from any issuance of Additional Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

Principal Proceeds shall include any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account into the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.2.

Principal Proceeds do not include the Excluded Property or earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

At any time when an "event of default" under a Securities Lending Agreement has occurred and is continuing, any payments received by the Issuer from the related Securities Lending Collateral shall be Principal Proceeds.

**"Priority Class":** With respect to any specified Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that ranks senior to that Class, as indicated in Section 13.1.

**"Priority of Payments":** The meaning specified in Section 11.1(a).

**"Proceeding":** Any suit in equity, action at law, or other judicial or administrative proceeding.

**"Proposed Portfolio":** As of any Measurement Date, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations and Principal Proceeds held as Cash on deposit in the Collection Account and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account resulting from the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or a proposed reinvestment in a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**"Purchase Price":** With respect to the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (other than any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation), the net purchase price paid by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation. The net purchase price is determined by subtracting from the purchase price the amount of any Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal and any syndication and other upfront fees paid to the Issuer and by adding the amount of any related

transaction costs (including assignment fees) paid by the Issuer to the seller of the Collateral Obligation or its agent.

**"Purchase Price Amount"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation on any date of determination, the product of (i) the Purchase Price (stated as a percentage) thereof and (ii) the Principal Balance thereof on such date.

**"QIB/QP"**: Any person that, at the time of its acquisition of Notes or Combination Securities is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser.

**"Qualified Equity Security"**: Any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that is stock or evidence of an interest in or a right to buy stock, or any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation but whose acquisition otherwise is a transaction in stocks or securities within the meaning of Section 864(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Code and the regulations under the Code. Qualified Equity Securities do not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation and that will cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in or having income from a United States trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes by virtue of its ownership or disposition of the obligation (without regard to the Issuer's other activities).

**"Qualified Institutional Buyer"**: The meaning specified in Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

**"Qualified Purchaser"**: The meaning specified in Section 2(a)(51) of the 1940 Act and Rule 2a51-2 under the 1940 Act (including entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers).

**"Ramp-Up Completion Date"**: The earlier of:

- (i) the Business Day after the 86<sup>th</sup> day after the Closing Date, and
- (ii) the first date on which the following conditions are satisfied:

(x) (A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least \$872,000,000 or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer with proceeds from the sale of the Notes (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be) equals at least \$872,000,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date); and

(y) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$872,000,000.

**"Ramp-Up Period"**: The period from and including the Closing Date to and including the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

**"Rating Agency"**: Each of Moody's and S&P or, with respect to Pledged Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or S&P ceases to provide rating services with respect to high yield debt securities, any other nationally recognized statistical rating organization selected by the Issuer and reasonably satisfactory to a Majority of each Class of Notes. If at any time Moody's ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of Moody's in this Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the

replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used. If at any time S&P ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of S&P in this Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and S&P published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used.

**"Rating Condition"**: With respect to any Rating Agency and any action taken or to be taken under this Indenture, a condition that is satisfied when the Rating Agency has confirmed to the Portfolio Manager (as agent for the Issuer) in writing that no withdrawal, reduction, suspension, or other adverse action with respect to any then current rating by it (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Securities will occur as a result of the action. The Rating Condition with respect to any Rating Agency shall be satisfied for all purposes of this Indenture at any time when no Outstanding Securities are rated by it.

**"Rating Confirmation"**: Confirmation in writing from each Rating Agency (and with respect to the Combination Securities, from Moody's only) that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Securities.

**"Rating Confirmation Failure"**: A failure by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Issuer) to obtain confirmation in writing from S&P and written confirmation from Moody's that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn its Initial Rating of each Class of Notes and, in the case of Moody's, the Class 1 Combination Securities, and that it has not placed any Class of Notes or, in the case of Moody's, the Class 1 Combination Securities, on credit watch with negative implications by the Business Day after the 29th day after the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

**"Ratings Matrix"**: The "row/column combination" of the table below selected by the Portfolio Manager on the Closing Date to apply initially for purposes of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test. Thereafter, on notice to the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager may select a different row of the Ratings Matrix to apply, or may interpolate between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable, on a straight-line basis and round the results to two decimal points.

Minimum Weighted Average Spread	Minimum Diversity Score						
	50	55	60	65	70	75	80
2.25%	2110	2140	2170	2200	2230	2260	2290
2.35%	2170	2200	2230	2260	2290	2320	2350
2.45%	2230	2260	2290	2320	2350	2380	2410
2.55%	2290	2320	2350	2380	2410	2440	2470
2.65%	2350	2380	2410	2440	2470	2500	2530
2.75%	2410	2440	2470	2500	2530	2560	2590
2.85%	2470	2500	2530	2560	2590	2620	2650
2.95%	2530	2560	2590	2620	2650	2680	2710
3.05%	2590	2620	2650	2680	2710	2740	2770
Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor							

**"Recovery Rate Modifier"**: As of any Measurement Date, the lesser of 60 and the product of:

(i) (a) the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate minus the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test (but not less than zero) multiplied by (b) 100; and

(ii) 40.

**"Record Date"**: As to any Payment Date, the 15<sup>th</sup> day (whether or not a Business Day) before the Payment Date.

**"Redemption Date"**: Any Payment Date specified for an Optional Redemption of Securities pursuant to Section 9.2.

**"Redemption Price"**: With respect to any Note and any Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), an amount equal to:

(i) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of the Note being redeemed, plus

(ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest), plus

(iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note, plus

(iv) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

With respect to any Preference Share and any Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b), "Redemption Price" means (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the pro rata portion for such Preference Share of the entire remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications pursuant to the Priority of Payments or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case, as specified in Section 9.2(b).

**"Reference Obligation"**: An obligation that would otherwise satisfy the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and on which a Synthetic Security is based.

**"Reference Obligor"**: The obligor of a Reference Obligation.

**"Registered"**: With respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment, means that it is issued after July 18, 1984 and is in registered form within the meaning of Section 881(c)(2)(B)(i) of the Code and the United States Department of the Treasury ("**Treasury**") regulations promulgated thereunder.

**"Registered Office"**: The registered office of the Issuer, which shall be located outside of the United States.

**"Regulation D"**: Regulation D under the Securities Act.

**"Regulation S"**: Regulation S under the Securities Act.

**"Regulation S Certificated Security"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(b).

**"Regulation S Global Preference Share"**: The meaning set forth in the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

**"Regulation S Global Security"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(b).

**"Reinvestment Overcollateralization Ratio"**: As of any Measurement Date, the ratio obtained by dividing:

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator by
- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes, excluding any Deferred Interest on any Class of Notes.

**"Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test"**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 104.95%.

**"Reinvestment Period"**: The period from the Closing Date through and including the first to occur of:

- (i) the Payment Date after the date that the Portfolio Manager notifies the Trustee, each Rating Agency, and the Administrator, in the sole discretion of the Portfolio Manager, that, in light of the composition of the Collateral, general market conditions, and other factors, investments in additional Collateral Obligations within the foreseeable future would either be impractical or not beneficial,
- (ii) the Payment Date in November, 2012 or, in the case of an Extension, the Extended Reinvestment Period End Date,
- (iii) the Payment Date on which all Notes are to be optionally redeemed or an earlier date after notice of an Optional Redemption chosen by the Portfolio Manager to facilitate the liquidation of the Collateral for the Optional Redemption, and
- (iv) the date on which the Reinvestment Period terminates or is terminated as a result of an Event of Default (subject to Section 5.2(b)).

**"Replacement Hedge"**: A replacement hedge agreement that qualifies to be a Hedge Agreement under this Indenture.

**"Repository"**: The internet-based password protected electronic repository of transaction documents relating to privately offered and sold collateralized debt obligation securities located at "www.cdolibrary.com" operated by The Bond Market Association.

**"Required Rating"**: The meaning specified in Section 15.2(b).

**"Revolving Loan"**: A Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation (in each case excluding any Delayed Drawdown Loan) that requires the Issuer to make future advances to (or for the account of) the borrower under its Underlying Instruments (including any letter of credit for which the Issuer is required to reimburse the issuing bank for under it). A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Revolving Loan for so long as its Commitment Amount is greater than zero.

**"Revolving Reserve Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(b).

**"Rule 144A"**: Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

**"Rule 144A Global Note"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(c).

**"Rule 144A Information"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.15.

**"S&P"**: Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc.

**"S&P CDO Monitor"**: A dynamic, analytical computer model developed by S&P, that may be modified by S&P from time to time, and provided to the Portfolio Manager and the Collateral Administrator to be used to calculate the default frequency in terms of the amount of debt assumed to default as a percentage of the original principal amount of the Collateral Obligations consistent with a specified benchmark rating level based on certain assumptions and S&P's proprietary corporate default studies. For the purpose (and only for the purpose) of applying the S&P CDO Monitor to a portfolio of obligations, for each obligation in the portfolio, the rating of the obligation shall be its S&P Rating.

**"S&P CDO Monitor Test"**: A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive. The S&P CDO Monitor Test shall be considered to be improved if each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is at least equal to the corresponding Note Class Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio. The S&P CDO Monitor Test is not required to be satisfied or improved upon the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation and the reinvestment of the related Sale Proceeds in additional Collateral Obligations as provided in Section 12.1(a). For purposes of the S&P CDO Monitor Test,

- (i) the S&P Rating of any S&P Unrated DIP Loan shall be "CCC-" and
- (ii) the S&P Industry Classification for a Synthetic Security shall be that of the related Reference Obligation and not the Synthetic Security.

**"S&P Industry Classification"**: The S&P Industry Classifications in Schedule 3 as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by S&P.

**"S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate"**: As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the number obtained by

- (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate,
- (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations, and
- (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

**"S&P Priority Category"**: Each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" as an "S&P Priority Category."

**"S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate"**: For any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" opposite the S&P Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**"S&P Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"S&P Recovery Rating"**: With respect to a Collateral Obligation for which an S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate is being determined, the "Recovery Rating" assigned by S&P to such Collateral Obligation based upon the following table:

Recovery Rating	Recovery of Principal
1+	Highest expectation of full recovery of principal
1	High expectation of full recovery of principal
2	Substantial recovery of principal
3	Meaningful recovery of principal
4	Marginal recovery of principal
5	Negligible recovery of principal

**"S&P Unrated DIP Loan"**: A DIP Loan acquired by the Issuer that does not have a rating assigned by S&P and for which the Portfolio Manager has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P (as specified in the definition of "DIP Loan").

**"Sale"**: The meaning specified in Section 5.17.

**"Sale Proceeds"**: All proceeds received (including any proceeds received with respect to any associated interest rate swap or security providing fixed annuity payments ) with respect to Collateral Obligations or other Pledged Obligations as a result of their sales or other dispositions less any reasonable expenses expended by the Portfolio Manager or the Trustee in connection with the sales or other dispositions, which shall be paid from such proceeds notwithstanding their characterization otherwise as Administrative Expenses.

**"Schedule of Collateral Obligations"**: The Collateral Obligations listed on Schedule 1, which schedule shall include with respect to each listed Collateral Obligation:

- (A) the name of the obligor and a unique Loan or other instrument identifier;
- (B) the purchase price;
- (C) the Principal Balance;
- (D) the classification (including whether the Collateral Obligation is a Loan, a High-Yield Bond, a Synthetic Security, a Participation, a Structured Finance Obligation, a Revolving Loan, or a Delayed Drawdown Loan);
- (E) the funded amount (stated as a percentage) in respect of a Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or a Delayed Drawdown Loan;
- (F) the coupon or spread (as applicable);
- (G) the Stated Maturity;
- (H) the Moody's Rating;
- (I) the S&P Rating; and
- (J) the CUSIP and any ISIN, if applicable,



as the schedule may be amended from time to time to reflect the release of Collateral Obligations pursuant to Article 10 and the inclusion of Collateral Obligations as provided in Section 12.2.

**"Second Lien Loan"**: A Secured Loan (other than a Senior Secured Loan) that (i) is only subordinated in right of payment to the Senior Secured Loan and (ii) has a junior contractual claim on tangible property (which property is subject to a prior lien (other than customary permitted liens, as such, but not limited to, any tax liens)) to secure payment of a debt or the fulfillment of a contractual obligation.

**"Secondary Risk Counterparty"**: Any obligor Domiciled other than in the United States, any Participating Institution, any Synthetic Security Counterparty, and any Securities Lending Counterparty.

**"Secondary Risk Table"**: The table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty		Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
Moody's	S&P		
Aaa	AAA	20.0%	20.0%
Aa1	AA+	10.0%	10.0%
Aa2	AA	10.0%	10.0%
Aa3	AA-	10.0%	10.0%
A1	A+	5.0%	10.0%
A2 or below	A or below	0.0%	0.0%

If any Secondary Risk Counterparty's long-term senior unsecured debt rating or short-term rating is on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P, then for the purposes of the table above, its rating by the Rating Agency putting its rating on credit watch shall be one rating notch lower for that Rating Agency.

**"Section 3(c)(7)"**: Section 3(c)(7) of the 1940 Act.

**"Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice"**: A notice from the Issuer to the Noteholders (to be delivered in accordance with Sections 10.6(a) and (b)) substantially in the form of Exhibit H-1.

**"Secured Loan"**: A Loan that (i) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**"Secured Obligations"**: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Secured Parties"**: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Securities"**: The Notes and the Combination Securities

**"Securities Act"**: The United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

**"Securities Intermediary"**: Any clearing corporation or any person, including a bank or broker, that in the ordinary course of its business maintains securities accounts for others and is acting in that capacity.

**"Securities Lending Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(f).

**"Securities Lending Agreements"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**"Securities Lending Collateral"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**"Securities Lending Counterparty"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**"Security Entitlement"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(17) of the UCC.

**"Selected Collateral Quality Tests"**: The Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Life Test (after taking into consideration any applicable Maturity Extension), the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the Diversity Test.

**"Senior Management Fee"**: A fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Portfolio Manager in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.30% per annum of the Maximum Investment Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Senior Management Fee shall be calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed divided by 360.

**"Senior Secured Loan"**: A Secured Loan that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a first priority security interest in collateral and with respect to which the Portfolio Manager determines that the value of the collateral securing such Secured Loan equal or exceeds the outstanding principal balance of the loan plus the aggregate outstanding balances of all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by the same collateral.

**"Senior Unsecured Loan"**: A Loan that is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**"Share Trustee"**: Maples Financed Limited.

**"Share Registrar"**: Maples Financed Limited.

**"Special Redemption"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**"Special Redemption Amount"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**"Special Redemption Date"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**"Spread Excess"**: As of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose:

(i) numerator is the product of:

(A) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date over the Minimum Weighted Average Spread specified in the applicable row of the Ratings Matrix, and

(B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date, and

(ii) denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Spread Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Fixed Rate Excess were equal to zero.

**"Stated Maturity"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation, the maturity date specified in it or the applicable Underlying Instrument (or, if earlier, the first date on which any person may be required by the Issuer to repurchase the entire principal amount of the Collateral Obligation at or above par) and with respect to the Notes of any Class and the Class 1 Combination Securities, the Payment Date in November, 2017, or upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date. With respect to the Class 2 Combination Securities, the Payment Date in November, 2015. Unless otherwise specified, "Stated Maturity" means the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Combination Securities.

**"Structured Finance Obligation"**: Any obligation:

(i) secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool of receivables or other assets of U.S. obligors, or obligors organized or incorporated in Moody's Group I Countries, Moody's Group II Countries or Moody's Group III Countries, including portfolio credit default swaps, synthetic collateralized debt obligations, and collateralized debt obligations, but excludes:

- (A) residential mortgage-backed securities,
- (B) collateralized debt obligations backed by Emerging Market Securities,
- (C) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by asset-backed securities,
- (D) market value collateralized debt obligations,
- (E) securities backed by "future flow" receivables
- (F) securities backed by "trust preferred securities",
- (G) net interest margin securitizations,
- (H) collateralized debt obligations backed by other collateralized debt obligations,
- (I) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by one or more credit default swaps (i.e. "synthetic CDOs"), and
- (J) collateralized debt obligations a significant portion of which are backed by bonds;

(ii) that has an S&P Rating and an S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate;

(iii) that has a rating and a Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate assigned by Moody's; and

(iv) whose ownership or disposition (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) by the Issuer will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes. Compliance with Schedule 8 hereto will be deemed to satisfy this requirement.

In connection with the purchase of a Structured Finance Obligation, the Portfolio Manager shall obtain from Moody's the applicable Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate.

For purposes of the Diversity Test, multiple Structured Finance Obligations from CDOs managed by the same Portfolio Manager or multiple Structured Finance Obligations issued by the same master trust will be considered to be obligations of one issuer.

**"Subordinated Lien Loan":** A Secured Loan (other than a Second Lien Loan) secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**"Subordinated Management Fee":** An amount equal to the sum of (i) a fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Portfolio Manager in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.25% per annum of the Maximum Investment Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments, (ii) on any Payment Date that any part of the Senior Management Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period plus 3.00% per annum and (iii) on any Payment Date that any part of the Subordinated Management Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period plus 3.00% per annum. The portion of the Subordinated Management Fee or Senior Management Fee, as applicable, in clauses (i) through (iii) above, as applicable, shall be calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed divided by 360.

**"Successor Entity":** The meaning specified in Section 7.10.

**"Super Majority":** With respect to any Class or group of Notes or Combination Securities, the Holders of more than 66 $\frac{2}{3}$ % of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Combination Securities, as the case may be.

**"Synthetic Security":** Any swap transaction, structured bond investment, credit linked note, or other derivative financial instrument relating to a debt instrument (but excluding any such instrument relating directly to a basket or portfolio of debt instruments) or an index or indices (such as the "SAMI" index published by Credit Suisse First Boston) in connection with a basket or portfolio of debt instruments or other similar instruments entered into by the Issuer with a Synthetic Security Counterparty that has in the Portfolio Manager's commercially reasonable judgment, equivalent expected loss characteristics (those characteristics, "credit risk") to those of the related Reference Obligations (taking account of those considerations as they relate to the Synthetic Security Counterparty), if (i) it is either a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied, and (ii) the Reference Obligations thereof have a weighted average Market Value of at least 85% at the time the Synthetic Security is entered into.

The maturity, interest rate, and other non-credit characteristics of a Synthetic Security may be different from the Reference Obligations to which the credit risk of the Synthetic Security relates.

No Synthetic Security shall require the Issuer to make any payment to the Synthetic Security Counterparty after its initial purchase other than any payments represented by the release of any cash collateral posted by the Issuer from the Collection Account to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of the posted cash collateral. Collateral may be posted only to a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account. No Synthetic Security shall result in the Issuer being a "buyer" of credit protection.

The term Synthetic Security shall not include any Structured Finance Obligation or any Participation, but the Reference Obligation of a Synthetic Security may be a Structured Finance Obligation.

Each Synthetic Security Agreement shall (i) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty)

equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those contained in this Indenture and (ii) include provisions satisfying Section 15.3 of this Indenture.

The ownership or disposition of any Synthetic Security (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) must not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes. Compliance with Schedule 8 hereto will be deemed to satisfy this requirement.

Unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" under any proposed Synthetic Security must not provide that its transfer to the Issuer is subject to obtaining any consents and must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation and satisfy the Concentration Limitations under this Indenture, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event and if the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security is a Senior Secured Loan then the "deliverable obligation" under the Synthetic Security must also be a Senior Secured Loan.

Synthetic Securities that are credit default swaps, credit linked notes, or other similar instruments may not provide for "restructuring" as a "credit event".

For purposes of the Coverage Tests and the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test, unless the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied in respect of any proposed alternative treatment, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligation.

With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, for purposes of: (i) calculating compliance with the Diversity Test, the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test, and the Concentration Limitations (other than limits relating to payment characteristics and except for clauses 20 and 20(a) of the definition of "Concentration Limitations"), and all related definitions, and (ii) any other provision or definition of this Indenture involving a determination with respect to a Reference Obligation, the characteristics of such Reference Obligations shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct investment by the Issuer in each such Reference Obligation in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation. In addition, each Reference Obligation under such Synthetic Security shall be assigned a Moody's Rating Factor equal to the sum of the Moody's Rating Factor of (i) the related Reference Obligor, (ii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty of such Synthetic Security and (iii) the Synthetic Security Collateral of such Synthetic Security. In addition, the Moody's Priority Category Rate in

respect of a Synthetic Security referencing multiple Reference Obligations pursuant to this paragraph shall be the Moody's Priority Category Rate as assigned by Moody's to each Reference Obligation underlying such Synthetic Security. For the avoidance of doubt, Reference Obligations upon which a Synthetic Security is based as described in this paragraph must meet the definition of "Collateral Obligation" to the extent provided in this definition.

Any Synthetic Security shall be positively indexed to the Reference Obligation on no more than a one-for-one basis (i.e. unleveraged credit exposure).

If the Rating Condition must be satisfied to execute the purchase of any Synthetic Security, the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, shall give each applicable Rating Agency not less than 5 days' prior notice of the purchase of or entry into any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Agreement"**: The documentation governing any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Collateral"**: With respect to any Synthetic Security, amounts posted to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account by the Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its obligations under the Synthetic Security, including (i) all Eligible Investments or (ii) investments that satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's, in each case that mature no later than the Stated Maturity, in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account that are purchased with Synthetic Security Collateral.

**"Synthetic Security Collateral Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(e).

**"Synthetic Security Counterparty"**: An entity required to make payments on a Synthetic Security to the extent that a Reference Obligor makes payments on a related Reference Obligation and meeting the Synthetic Security Counterparty Ratings Requirement.

**"Synthetic Security Counterparty Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.5.

**"Synthetic Security Counterparty Ratings Requirement"**: With respect to the Synthetic Security Counterparty and in respect of a Synthetic Security, a requirement that is satisfied if, at the time the Issuer enters into such Synthetic Security Agreement, the related Synthetic Security Counterparty has a senior unsecured credit rating assigned by S&P for short-term debt of at least "A-1+" or a senior unsecured credit rating assigned by S&P for long-term debt of at least "AA-".

**"Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction"**: One of the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the Netherlands Antilles or the tax advantaged jurisdiction of the Channel Islands, or such other jurisdiction that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto.

**"Tax Event"**: An event that occurs if either:

- (i) (A) one or more Collateral Obligations that were not subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them have become subject to withholding tax ("**New Withholding Tax Obligations**") or the rate of withholding has increased on one or more Collateral Obligations that were subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them ("**Increased Rate Withholding Tax Obligations**") and (B) in any Due Period, the aggregate of the payments subject to withholding tax on New Withholding Tax Obligations and the increase in payments subject to withholding tax on Increased Rate Withholding Tax Obligations, in each case to the extent not "grossed-up" (on an after-tax basis) by the related obligor, represent 5% or more of Interest Proceeds for the Due Period; or

(ii) taxes, fees, assessments, or other similar charges are imposed on the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in an aggregate amount in any twelve-month period in excess of U.S.\$2,000,000, other than any liabilities for withholding taxes included in clause (i) above.

**"Transaction Reports"**: The meaning specified in Section 14.4.

**"Transfer Agent"**: The person or persons, which may be the Issuer, authorized by the Issuer to exchange or register the transfer of Securities.

**"Transferee Certificate"**: A certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B-1 attached hereto, duly completely as appropriate.

**"Treasury Regulations"**: The regulations, including proposed or temporary regulations, promulgated under the Code. References herein to specific provisions of proposed or temporary regulations shall include analogous provisions of final Treasury Regulations or other successor Treasury Regulations.

**"Trust Officer"**: When used with respect to the Trustee, any officer in the Corporate Trust Office (or any successor group of the Trustee) including any director, vice president, assistant vice president, associate, or any other officer of the Trustee customarily performing functions similar to those performed by such officers in the Corporate Trust Office, or to whom any corporate trust matter is referred at the Corporate Trust Office because of his knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject and having direct responsibility for the administration of this Indenture.

**"Trustee"**: As defined in the first sentence of this Indenture.

**"UCC"**: The Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the State of New York, and as amended from time to time.

**"Uncertificated Security"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(18) of the UCC.

**"Underlying Instrument"**: The loan agreement, indenture, credit agreement, or other agreement pursuant to which a Pledged Obligation has been issued or created and each other agreement that governs the terms of or secures the obligations represented by the Pledged Obligation or of which the holders of the Pledged Obligation are the beneficiaries.

**"Unregistered Securities"**: The meaning specified in Section 5.17(c).

**"Unscheduled Principal Payments"**: Any principal payments received with respect to a Collateral Obligation as a result of optional redemptions, exchange offers, tender offers, other payments or prepayments made at the option of the issuer thereof or that are otherwise not scheduled to be made thereunder.

**"U.S. Certificated Security"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(c).

**"U.S. Person"**: A Beneficial Owner of a Security that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a citizen or individual resident of the United States of America, an entity treated for United States federal income tax purposes as a corporation or a partnership created or organized in or under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof or the District of Columbia, an estate the income of which is includable in gross income for U.S. federal income tax purposes regardless of its source, or a trust if, in general, a court within the United States of America is able to exercise primary supervision over its administration and one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of such trust, and certain eligible trusts that have elected to be treated as United States persons.

**"Valuation Report"**: The meaning specified in Section 10.6(b).

**"Warehouse Agreement"**: The Master Warehousing and Participation Agreement, dated as of May 31, 2005, among Bank of America, N.A., as the Warehouse Provider, the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager, as amended.

**"Warehoused Loans"**: Loans acquired by the Issuer before the Closing Date pursuant to the Warehouse Agreement.

**"Weighted Average Commitment Fee"**: As of any Measurement Date, an amount (rounded up to the next 0.001%) equal to the weighted average commitment fee on all Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans determined by dividing (i) the aggregate of all scheduled amounts (other than interest) of commitment fees or facility fees payable on the unfunded amount of all Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans held by the Issuer as of such Measurement Date by (ii) the aggregate unfunded amount of all Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans held by the Issuer as of such Measurement Date; provided that if such quotient is less than the Minimum Weighted Average Commitment Fee for such Measurement Date, there shall be added to the amount set forth in clause (i) above an amount equal to the Spread Excess, if any, as of such Measurement Date (less any portion of the Spread Excess that has been added to the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon as of such Measurement Date pursuant to clause (iv) of the definition of "Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon"), and the Weighted Average Commitment Fee as of such Measurement Date shall be the amount calculated after giving effect to such addition.

**"Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon"**: As of any Measurement Date, the rate obtained by

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Fixed Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum rate at which it pays interest (other than, with respect to Collateral Obligations that are not PIK Securities, any interest that is not required to be paid in Cash and may be deferred), using only the effective after-tax interest rate determined by the Portfolio Manager on any Fixed Rate Obligation after taking into account any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction and any gross-up paid by the obligor),

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i),

(iii) dividing the sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations that are Fixed Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date, and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, adding to the sum the amount of any Spread Excess as of the Measurement Date, but only to the extent required to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test.

**"Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test"**: A test that is satisfied if, as of any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 8.00%.

**"Weighted Average Life"**: As of any Measurement Date, the number obtained by

(i) summing the products obtained by multiplying

(A) the Average Life at that time of each Collateral Obligation by

(B) the Principal Balance at that time of the Collateral Obligation and

(ii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance at that time of all Collateral Obligations.



**"Weighted Average Life Test":** A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and February, 2015 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date.

**"Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor":** The summation of the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation (excluding Eligible Investments) by its respective Moody's Rating Factor, dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) and rounding the result up to the nearest whole number.

**"Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 44.8%.

**"Weighted Average Rating Factor Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of such Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor.

**"Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 51.7%.

**"Weighted Average Spread":** As of any Measurement Date, a rate obtained by:

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Floating Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum overall rate at which it pays interest (other than, with respect to Collateral Obligations that are not PIK Securities, any interest that is not required to be paid in Cash and may be deferred), determined with respect to any Floating Rate Obligation that does not bear interest based on a three month London interbank offered rate, by expressing the current interest rate on the Floating Rate Obligation as a spread above a three month London interbank offered rate calculated in a manner consistent with the calculation of LIBOR,

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i),

(iii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date, and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to pass the Weighted Average Spread Test, adding to that sum the amount of Fixed Rate Excess as of the Measurement Date.

For purposes of calculating the Weighted Average Spread, the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall not include any of its unfunded amount.

**"Weighted Average Spread Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if (i) the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread and (ii) the Weighted Average Commitment Fee as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Commitment Fee.

**"Workout Assets":** A Loan, High-Yield Bond, or Qualified Equity Security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation that the Issuer does not advance any funds to purchase that does not qualify as a Collateral Obligation.

**"Written-Down Obligation":** As of any date of determination, any Structured Finance Obligation as to which the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, has been notified by the issuer of the Structured Finance Obligation that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Structured Finance Obligation and all other Structured Finance Obligations secured by the same pool of collateral that rank pari passu with or senior in priority of payment to the Structured Finance Obligation exceeds the aggregate principal balance (including reserved interest or other amounts available for overcollateralization) of all collateral securing the Structured Finance Obligation and such other pari passu and senior Structured Finance Obligations (excluding defaulted collateral).

**"Zero-Coupon Security":** A security that, at the time of determination, does not make periodic payments of interest. A Zero-Coupon Security shall not include a security that is a PIK Security.

Section 1.2. ***Assumptions as to Pledged Obligations; Construction Conventions.***

This Section 1.2 shall be applied in connection with all calculations required to be made pursuant to this Indenture:

- with respect to the scheduled payment of principal or interest on any Pledged Obligation, or any payments on any other assets included in the Collateral,
- with respect to the sale of and reinvestment in Collateral Obligations,
- with respect to the income that can be earned on the scheduled payment of principal or interest on the Pledged Obligations and on any other amounts that may be received for deposit in the Collection Account, and
- with respect to the treatment of Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement.

The provisions of this Section 1.2 shall be applicable to any determination or calculation that is covered by this Section 1.2, whether or not reference is specifically made to Section 1.2, unless some other method of calculation or determination is expressly specified in the particular provision.

(a) All calculations with respect to the scheduled payment of principal or interest on the Pledged Obligations shall be made on the basis of information as to the terms of each Pledged Obligation and on reports of payments received on the Pledged Obligation that are furnished by or on behalf of the issuer of the Pledged Obligation and, to the extent they are not manifestly in error, the information or report may be conclusively relied on in making the calculations.

(b) For each Due Period and as of any Measurement Date, the scheduled payment of principal or interest on any Pledged Obligation shall be the sum of

(i) the total amount of payments and collections reasonably expected to be received during the Due Period in respect of the Pledged Obligation that, if paid as scheduled, will be available for payment on the Notes and of certain expenses of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer in the Collection Account at the end of the Due Period; and

(ii) any such amounts received in prior Due Periods that were not disbursed on a previous Payment Date.

Except as provided in paragraph (h) below, a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation shall be assumed to have a scheduled payment of principal and interest of zero.

The total amount of payments and collections reasonably expected to be received includes the proceeds of the sale of the Pledged Obligation received and, in the case of sales which have not yet settled, to be received during the Due Period and not reinvested in additional Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty, Securities Lending Counterparty, or Hedge Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security, Securities Lending Agreement, or Hedge Agreement) or Eligible Investments or retained in the Collection Account for subsequent reinvestment pursuant to Section 12.2.

(c) For purposes of the applicable determinations required by Article 12 and the definition of "Interest Coverage Ratio," the expected interest on Collateral Obligations shall be calculated using their then current interest rates.

(d) With respect to any Collateral Obligation, the date on which it "matures" (or its "maturity" date) shall be the earlier of

(i) the stated maturity of the obligation or

(ii) if the Issuer has the right to require the issuer or obligor of the Collateral Obligation to purchase, redeem, or retire the Collateral Obligation at a price of at least par on any one or more dates before its Stated Maturity (a "put right") and the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that it will cause the Issuer to direct the Trustee to exercise the put right on a date, the maturity date shall be the date specified in the certification.

(e) For purposes of calculating compliance with the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), the Coverage Tests, and the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the Reference Obligation. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limits other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligations.

(f) Any Collateral Obligation loaned to a Securities Lending Counterparty shall be included in the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests, and the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test and the Principal Balance of any Collateral Obligation loaned to a Securities Lending Counterparty shall be included in the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations, in each case unless an "event of default" (under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing.

(g) If a Class of Notes ceases to be Outstanding, then any Coverage Test computed by reference to the Class of Notes (but not to any subordinate Class of Notes then Outstanding) shall cease to be of any force.

(h) For purposes of calculating compliance with the Eligibility Criteria (other than the Weighted Average Life Test), at the direction of the Portfolio Manager by notice to the Trustee, during the Reinvestment Period any Eligible Investment representing Principal Proceeds received upon the maturity, redemption, sale, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation (or, after the Reinvestment Period, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale

Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations) shall be deemed to have the characteristics of the disposed Collateral Obligation until reinvested in an additional Collateral Obligation. The calculations shall be based on the Principal Balance of the disposed Collateral Obligations except in the case of Defaulted Collateral Obligations and Credit Risk Securities, in which case the calculations will be based on the Principal Proceeds received on the disposition or sale of the Defaulted Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation.

Section 1.3. ***Rules of Interpretation.***

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture or unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

- (a) Defined terms include, as appropriate, all genders and the plural as well as the singular.
- (b) References to designated articles, sections, subsections, exhibits, and other subdivisions of this Indenture, such as "Section 6.12 (a)," refer to the designated article, section, subsection, exhibit, or other subdivision of this Indenture as a whole and to all subdivisions of the designated article, section, subsection, exhibit, or other subdivision. The words "herein," "hereof," "hereto," "hereunder," and other words of similar import refer to this Indenture as a whole and not to any particular article, section, exhibit, or other subdivision of this Indenture.
- (c) Any term that relates to a document or a statute, rule, or regulation includes any amendments, modifications, supplements, or any other changes that may have occurred since the document, statute, rule, or regulation came into being, including changes that occur after the date of this Indenture. References to law are not limited to statutes. Any reference to any person includes references to its successors and assigns.
- (d) Any party may execute any of the requirements under this Indenture either directly or through others, and the right to cause something to be done rather than doing it directly shall be implicit in every requirement under this Indenture. Unless a provision is restricted as to time or limited as to frequency, all provisions under this Indenture are implicitly available and things may happen from time to time.
- (e) The term "including" and all its variations mean "including but not limited to." Except when used in conjunction with the word "either," the word "or" is always used inclusively (for example, the phrase "A or B" means "A or B or both," not "either A or B but not both").
- (f) A reference to "a thing" or "any of a thing" does not imply the existence or occurrence of the thing referred to even though not followed by "if any," and "any of a thing" is any and all of it. A reference to the plural of anything as to which there could be either one or more than one does not imply the existence of more than one (for instance, the phrase "the obligors on a note" means "the obligor or obligors on a note"). "Until something occurs" does not imply that it must occur, and will not be modified by the word "unless." The word "due" and the word "payable" are each used in the sense that the stated time for payment has passed. The word "accrued" is used in its accounting sense, i.e., an amount paid is no longer accrued. In the calculation of amounts of things, differences and sums may generally result in negative numbers, but when the calculation of the excess of one thing over another results in zero or a negative number, the calculation is disregarded and an "excess" does not exist. Portions of things may be expressed as fractions or percentages interchangeably. The word "shall" is used in its imperative sense, as for instance meaning a party agrees to something or something must occur or exist.
- (g) All accounting terms used in an accounting context and not otherwise defined, and accounting terms partly defined in this Indenture, to the extent not completely defined, shall be

construed in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. To the extent that the definitions of accounting terms in this Indenture are inconsistent with their meanings under generally accepted accounting principles, the definitions contained in this Indenture shall control.

(h) In the computation of a period of time from a specified date to a later specified date or an open-ended period, the words "from" and "beginning" mean "from and including," the word "after" means "from but excluding," the words "to" and "until" mean "to but excluding," and the word "through" means "to and including." Likewise, in setting deadlines or other periods, "by" means "on or before." The words "preceding," "following," "before," "after," "next," and words of similar import, mean immediately preceding or following. References to a month or a year refer to calendar months and calendar years.

(i) Any reference to the enforceability of any agreement against a party means that it is enforceable against the party in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, and other similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles.

(j) Except when only the registered holder is recognized, such as in Section 2.9., references to Noteholders, holders, and the like refer equally to Beneficial Owners who have an interest in a Note but are not reflected in the Indenture Register as the owner.

## ARTICLE 2

### THE NOTES AND COMBINATION SECURITIES

#### Section 2.1. ***Forms Generally.***

The Notes, the Combination Securities and the Trustee's or Authenticating Agent's certificate of authentication on them (the "***Certificate of Authentication***") shall be in substantially the forms required by this Article, with appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions, and other variations required or permitted by this Indenture, and may have any letters, numbers, or other marks of identification and any legends or endorsements on them that are consistent with this Indenture, as determined by the Authorized Officers of the Issuer executing the Securities as evidenced by their execution of the Securities.

#### Section 2.2. ***Forms of Notes and Certificate of Authentication.***

(a) The Securities, including the U.S. Certificated Securities, Regulation S Certificated Securities, the Regulation S Global Securities, Rule 144A Global Notes and Certificate of Authentication, shall be in the forms of the applicable portion of Exhibit A.

(b) ***Regulation S Certificated Securities and Regulation S Global Securities.*** The Notes and the Combination Securities of each Class sold to non-U.S. persons in off-shore transactions in reliance on Regulation S shall each be represented by one or more (i) global securities in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit A, including legends (the "***Regulation S Global Security***") or (ii) certificated securities in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit A, including legends (each a "***Regulation S Certificated Security***"). The global securities shall be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for the Securities represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, the Depository for the respective accounts of Euroclear and Clearstream, duly executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided. The aggregate principal amount of the Regulation S Global Securities may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee or the Depository or its nominee, as the case may be, as hereinafter provided. As used above and in

subsection (d) below, "U.S. person" and "off-shore transaction" have the meanings assigned to them in Regulation S.

(c) *U.S. Certificated Securities and Rule 144A Global Notes.* The Securities of each Class initially sold to U.S. persons that are Accredited Investors and either (i) Qualified Purchasers or (ii) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers shall each be issued initially in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit A, including legends (each, a "**U.S. Certificated Security**"). The Notes of each Class initially sold to U.S. Persons that are Qualified Institutional Buyers and either (i) Qualified Purchasers or (ii) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers shall each be issued initially in the form of one permanent global note per Class in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit A, including legends (each, a "**Rule 144A Global Note**"), which shall be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for the Notes represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, the Depository, duly executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided. The aggregate principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Notes may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee or the Depository or its nominee, as the case may be, as hereinafter provided.

(d) *Book-Entry Provisions.* This Section 2.2(d) shall apply only to Global Securities deposited with or on behalf of the Depository. The "Operating Procedures of the Euroclear System" of Euroclear and the "Terms and Conditions Governing Use of Participants" of Clearstream, respectively, shall be applicable to the Regulation S Global Securities insofar as interests in the Global Securities are held by the Agent Members of Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be.

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

### Section 2.3. ***Authorized Amount; Denominations.***

(a) The aggregate principal amount of Notes that may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture is limited to U.S.\$809,000,000, except for (i) Notes authenticated and delivered upon registration of, transfer of, or in exchange for, or in lieu of, other Notes pursuant to Section 2.6, 2.7 or 8.5 and (ii) Notes authenticated and delivered in exchange for the Class 1 Note Component upon the exchange of the Class 1 Combination Securities pursuant to Section 2.6.

The aggregate principal amount of Class 1 Combination Securities that may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture is limited to U.S.\$5,000,000, except for Combination Securities authenticated and delivered upon registration of transfer of, or in exchange for, or in lieu of, other Class 1 Combination Securities pursuant to Section 2.6, or 2.7. The aggregate principal amount of Class 2 Combination Securities that may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture is limited to U.S.\$20,000,000, except for Combination Securities authenticated and delivered upon registration of transfer of, or in exchange for, or in lieu of, other Class 2 Combination Securities pursuant to Section 2.6, 2.7, or 8.5.

The Securities shall be divided into the following Classes, having the designations, original principal amounts and other characteristics as follows:

Class	A-1	A-2	B	C	D	Preference Shares
Original Principal Amount	U.S.\$620,000,000	U.S.\$28,000,000	U.S.\$60,500,000	U.S.\$51,000,000 <sup>1</sup>	U.S.\$49,500,000	U.S.\$91,000,000
Interest Rate	LIBOR + 0.275%	LIBOR + 0.40%	LIBOR + 0.55%	LIBOR + 0.90%	LIBOR + 1.90%	N/A
Initial Rating (Moody's/S&P)	Aaa/AAA	Aaa/AAA	Aa2/AA	A2/A	Baa2/BBB	N/A

Class	Class 1 Combination Securities <sup>2</sup>	Class 2 Combination Securities <sup>3</sup>
Interest Rate	0.25% <sup>4</sup>	N/A
Initial Rating (Moody's/S&P)	A2/N/A <sup>5</sup>	Aa2/N/A <sup>6</sup>

- 1 The amount of Class C Notes shown also includes the Class 1 Note Component comprised of \$4,000,000 Class C Notes.
- 2 The Class 1 Combination Securities shall consist of the Class 1 Combination Security Preference Share Component and the Class 1 Note Component. The portions of the interest in the Class C Notes and the Preference Shares that comprise the Class 1 Combination Securities are not separately transferable. The Class 1 Note Component will bear interest in the same manner as the Class C Notes and the Class 1 Combination Security Preference Share Components will receive payments in the same manner as the Preference Shares.
- 3 The Class 2 Combination Securities shall consist of the Preference Share Component and the Class 2 Component. The portions of the interest in the Class 2 Bond and the Preference Shares that comprise the Class 2 Combination Securities are not separately transferable. On each Payment Date, the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities will be entitled to receive a pro rata share of the distribution on the Preference Shares on such date. No other payments will be made on the Class 2 Combination Securities until final maturity of the Class 2 Bond.
- 4 Representing the Class 2 Combination Security Rated Coupon. In the event that the Class 2 Combination Security Rated Balance is reduced to zero, Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities will continue to receive payments in accordance with the Priority of Payments to the extent allocated to their related Components, and such payments will be classified as "excess distributions."
- 5 The Class 1 Combination Securities are rated only as to the ultimate payment of their Class 1 Combination Security Rated Balances and the Class 1 Combination Security Rated Coupon.
- 6 The Class 2 Combination Securities are rated only as to the ultimate payment of their Class 2 Combination Security Rated Balances.

(b) The Class 1 Combination Securities have two Components, the Class 1 Note Component and the Class 1 Combination Security Preference Share Component. At issuance U.S.\$5,000,000 original principal amount of Class 1 Combination Securities represents U.S.\$4,000,000 original principal amount of the Class C Notes and a Class 1 Combination Security Preference Share Component equal to 1,000 Preference Shares.

(c) The Class 2 Combination Securities have two Components, the Class 2 Component and the Preference Share Component. At issuance U.S.\$20,000,000 original principal amount of Class 2 Combination Securities represents a Class 2 Combination Security Preference Share Component Amount equal to 7,600 Preference Shares combined with the Class 2 Component.

(d) The Notes will be issuable in minimum denominations of U.S.\$500,000 principal amount, and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess of that amount. The Class 1 Combination Securities will be issuable in minimum denominations of U.S.\$1,250,000 principal amount, and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess of that amount. The Class 2 Combination Securities will be issuable in minimum denominations of U.S.\$1,000,000 principal amount, and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess of that amount.

(e) The Issuer will also issue 91,000 Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, simultaneously with the issuance of the Notes and the Combination Securities under this Indenture. Such Preference Shares include amounts issuable in exchange for the Preference Share

Components in an exchange of Combination Securities for the securities represented by their Components. The Preference Shares are not secured by the lien of this Indenture. Any payments made by the Trustee hereunder with respect to the Preference Shares will be released by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in accordance with the Priority of Payments for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment (subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands) to Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends or redemption price, as applicable.

Section 2.4. ***Extension of Reinvestment Period and Stated Maturity.***

(a) The Issuer, if directed by the Portfolio Manager, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Reinvestment Period to the applicable Extended Reinvestment Period End Date up to a maximum of four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date in accordance with this Section 2.4 and (ii) the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.4(c) are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice to the Trustee of its election to extend the Reinvestment Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Securities (other than the Class 2 Combination Securities) shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Securities or Preference Shares (other than as may be required pursuant to the Extension Conditions) or amendment or supplement to this Indenture or the Preference Share Documents (the "***Maturity Extension***"); provided that the Issuer will not be permitted to effect more than four Maturity Extensions. The Stated Maturity of the Class 2 Combination Securities is not subject to extension.

(b) In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes, Combination Securities (other than Class 2 Combination Securities) or Preference Shares wishing to sell such Securities or Preference Shares to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to Section 2.4(d) (such Securities and Preference Shares as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, "***Extension Sale Securities***"). The Class 2 Combination Securities are not subject to sale in connection with a Maturity Extension and the maturity of the Class 2 Combination Securities is not subject to extension; provided, however, that the maturity of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 2 Combination Security Preference Share Component is subject to extension. A Holder of Class 2 Combination Securities may, however, request that the Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Component of such Class 2 Combination Securities be distributed to such Holder in accordance with Section 2.6(g)(iii) and, upon such distribution, the Holder may then subject the Preference Shares so distributed to the provisions of this Section 2.4 for the purposes of offering such Preference Shares for sale to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser. In such circumstance, the Class 2 Combination Securities held by such Holder will only be comprised of the Class 2 Component. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, each Holder providing an Extension Sale Notice shall be deemed to agree that no Extension Sale Securities of any Holder shall be purchased unless all Extension Sale Securities of all Holders are purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date and the other Extension Conditions are satisfied as of such date.

(c) The Maturity Extension shall be effective only if the following conditions (the "***Extension Conditions***") are satisfied:

(i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the applicable Extension Effective Date;



(ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions in this Indenture and the Preference Share Documents immediately after such purchase and the legends on such Securities or Preference Shares and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency);

(iii) (a) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to S&P (so long as any Notes are then rated by S&P) and (b) either (i) all Coverage Tests and the Selected Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied as of the related Extension Determination Date, the rating of each Class of Notes and Class 1 Combination Securities then rated by Moody's has not been downgraded, withdrawn or qualified from that in effect on the Closing Date (unless it subsequently has been reinstated to the rating assigned on the Closing Date) and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$872,000,000 or (ii) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to Moody's (so long as any Securities are then rated by Moody's);

(iv) the Issuer has not effected more than three prior Extensions; and

(v) (A) the Holders of 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1 Notes have delivered the Extension Sale Notice in the Extension Sale Notice Period or (B) if the Holders of 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1 Notes fail to deliver an Extension Sale Notice pursuant to the preceding clause (A), either (i) the Issuer, acting through the Portfolio Manager, notifies the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes in writing not later than the last day of the Extension Sale Notice Period of an election to treat such Class A-1 Notes as "Extension Sale Securities" (with the result that such Class A-1 Notes must be purchased by an Extension Qualifying Purchaser) or (ii) the Holders of 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1 Notes have consented in writing to the Maturity Extension not later than the last day of the Extension Sale Notice Period.

The Issuer, the Trustee and, by its acceptance of the Securities or Preference Shares, each Holder of Securities or Preference Shares agrees that the Placement Agent shall not be responsible for causing the Extension Conditions to be satisfied and shall not be liable to any such person or Holder of Securities or Preference Shares (whether or not such Holder gave an Extension Sale Notice with respect to its Securities or Preference Shares) or to any other person if the Extension Conditions are not satisfied. Failure of the Extension Conditions to be satisfied shall not constitute a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture.

(d) Extension Procedure.

(i) No later than three Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Issuer of its election to extend the Reinvestment Period (the "**Extension Notice**"), the Trustee shall forward the Extension Notice to all Holders of Securities and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Securities are Outstanding), in the form of Exhibit J, and shall request the Rating Condition for the Maturity Extension from S&P, if applicable;

(ii) Any Holder of Securities (other than Class 2 Combination Securities) or Preference Shares may deliver to the Trustee an irrevocable notice (an "**Extension Sale Notice**") within 30 days after the date of the Extension Notice (the "**Extension Sale Notice Period**") of its intention to sell its Securities or Preference Shares to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. If the Holders of 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1 Notes have not delivered the Extension Sale Notice to the Trustee by the 20<sup>th</sup> calendar day after the date of the Extension Notice, the Trustee shall notify the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes of the date on which the Extension Sale Notice Period shall end and include a statement to the effect that

(i) no Extension Sale Notice delivered after the end of the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be effective and (ii) the Class A-1 Notes for which no Extension Sale Notice has been delivered may be treated as Extension Sale Securities pursuant to clause (v) of the Extension Conditions (with the result that the Class A-1 Notes must be purchased by an Extension Qualifying Purchaser). Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of Securities or Preference Shares that has not given such an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be entitled to sell its Securities or Preference Shares to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension; and

(iii) If clause (iii)(b)(i) of the Extension Conditions is not satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date as determined by the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf), the Trustee shall request the Rating Condition to be satisfied with respect to Moody's.

(e) On the applicable Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf) shall confirm (i) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Securities or Preference Shares in compliance with all transfer restrictions in this Indenture and the legends on such Securities or Preference Shares and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (ii) whether the requirements of clause (c)(iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date and (iii) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

(f) On each Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension shall automatically become effective under the terms of this Indenture; provided that all Extension Conditions set forth in clauses (a) and (c) above are satisfied as certified by the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf). No later than two Business Days after each Extension Effective Date, the Trustee based on a determination made by the Issuer in consultation with the Portfolio Manager, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail a notice to all Holders of Securities, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agent, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Securities are Outstanding) and the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class of Securities is listed thereon) stating whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension became effective, the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf) shall make any required notifications thereof to the Depository for any Securities or Preference Shares subject to the Maturity Extension.

(g) In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Holder of Notes (other than Extension Sale Securities) shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment and each Holder of Class 1 Combination Securities (other than Extension Sale Securities) shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the Extension Bonus Payment relating to the Class C Notes underlying the Class 1 Note Component, in each case to the extent of available funds and as provided in Section 11.01. Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities and the Preference Shares shall not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

The Extension Bonus Payment shall be payable to any applicable qualifying Beneficial Owners who have provided the Trustee with an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification on or before the 5<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the first Payment Date from and including each Extension Effective Date on which funds are available to be used for such purposes in accordance with Priority of Payments, but in any event, no later than the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption of the Securities (other than the Class 2 Combination Securities). Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments on a Payment Date shall not be considered "due and payable" hereunder but are due and payable on the next Payment Date on which funds are due and payable. The failure to pay any such

Extension Bonus Payment on such date shall not be an Event of Default, unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Securities (other than the Class 2 Combination Securities). Unpaid Extension Bonus Payments shall not accrue interest. Such amounts shall be paid, in the case of the Securities (other than the Class 2 Combination Securities), to the accounts designated in the applicable Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification or, to the extent otherwise required by the rules of any applicable securities exchange or clearing agency, in a manner determined by the Issuer.

Section 2.5. ***Execution, Authentication, Delivery, and Dating.***

The Securities shall be executed on behalf of each of the Applicable Issuers by one of their respective Authorized Officers. The signature of the Authorized Officer on the Notes may be manual or facsimile.

Securities bearing the manual or facsimile signatures of individuals who were at any time the Authorized Officers of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, shall bind the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, notwithstanding that any of them have ceased to hold their offices before the authentication and delivery of the Securities or did not hold their offices at the date of issuance of the Securities.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Indenture, the Issuer and the Co-Issuer may deliver Securities executed by the Applicable Issuers to the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent for authentication and the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent, upon Issuer Order, shall authenticate and deliver the Securities as provided in this Indenture and not otherwise.

Each Security authenticated and delivered by the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent upon Issuer Order on the Closing Date shall be dated as of the Closing Date. All other Securities that are authenticated after the Closing Date for any other purpose under this Indenture shall be dated the date of their authentication.

Securities issued upon transfer, exchange, or replacement of other Securities shall be issued in authorized denominations reflecting the original Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities so transferred, exchanged, or replaced, but shall represent only the current outstanding principal amount of the Securities so transferred, exchanged, or replaced. If any Security is divided into more than one Security in accordance with this Article 2, the original principal amount of the Security shall be proportionately divided among the Securities delivered in exchange for it and shall be the original aggregate principal amount of the subsequently issued Securities.

No Security shall be entitled to any benefit under this Indenture or be valid or obligatory for any purpose, unless there appears on the Security a Certificate of Authentication executed by the Trustee or by the Authenticating Agent by the manual signature of one of their Authorized Officers, and that certificate on any Security shall be conclusive evidence, and the only evidence, that the Security has been duly authenticated and delivered under this Indenture.

Section 2.6. ***Registration, Registration of Transfer and Exchange.***

(a) The Issuer shall cause a register (the "***Indenture Register***") to be kept in which the Issuer shall provide for the registration of Securities and the registration of transfers of Securities. The Trustee is hereby initially appointed "Indenture Registrar" for the purpose of registering Securities and transfers of the Securities as provided in this Indenture. The Issuer may rely conclusively on any such information provided to it by the Trustee. Upon any resignation or removal of the Indenture Registrar, the Issuer shall promptly appoint a successor and notify the Portfolio Manager of the appointment or, in the absence of such appointment, assume the duties of Indenture Registrar. The Issuer shall cause the Combination Securities to be registered and recorded in the Indenture Register and, with respect to the Preference Share Component, in the Preference Share register.

If the Issuer appoints a person other than the Trustee to be Indenture Registrar, the Issuer will give the Trustee prompt written notice of the appointment of the Indenture Registrar and of the location, and any change in the location, of the Indenture Register. The Trustee may inspect the Indenture Register at all reasonable times and obtain copies of it. The Trustee may rely on a certificate executed on behalf of the Indenture Registrar by an Officer of the Indenture Registrar as to the names and addresses of the Holders of the Securities and the principal amounts and number of the Securities.

Upon surrender for registration of transfer of any Securities at the office or agency of the Co-Issuers to be maintained pursuant to Section 7.2, if the requirements of this Indenture are met the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in the name of the designated transferees, new Securities of any authorized denomination and of a like original Aggregate Outstanding Amount.

At the option of its holder, Securities may be exchanged for Securities of like terms, in any authorized denominations and of like aggregate principal amount, upon surrender of the Securities to be exchanged at the office or agency of the Co-Issuers to be maintained pursuant to Section 7.2. Whenever any Security is surrendered for exchange, the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, the Securities that the Noteholder or Combination Securityholder making the exchange is entitled to receive.

All Securities issued on any registration of transfer or exchange of Securities shall be the valid obligations of the Applicable Issuers evidencing the same obligations, and entitled to the same benefits under this Indenture, as the Securities surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

Every Security presented or surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange shall be duly endorsed, or be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Indenture Registrar duly executed by its holder or his attorney duly authorized in writing.

No Holder shall incur a service charge for any registration of transfer or exchange of the Securities, but the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

(b) No Security may be sold or transferred (including by pledge or hypothecation) unless the sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, is exempt from the registration requirements under applicable state securities laws, and will not cause either of the Co-Issuers to become subject to the requirement that it register as an investment company under the 1940 Act. None of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, or any other person shall have any obligation to register the Securities under the Securities Act or any state securities laws.

The Trustee shall require, before any registration of transfer of a Note or a Combination Security in which delivery is to be made in the form of a Certificated Security, that the Noteholder or Combination Securityholder's prospective transferee deliver to the Trustee a certificate relating to the transfer in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit B.

(c) (i) No Note may be transferred to any Benefit Plan Investor unless such Benefit Plan Investor's purchase and holding of such Note will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any federal, state, local or non-U.S. law that is substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code) and (ii) no Combination Security in the form of a Certificated Security or a Regulation S Global Security may be transferred to any Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person, and if after its initial acquisition of a Combination Security or any interest therein, the purchaser determines, or it is determined by another party, that such purchaser is a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person, the purchaser will dispose of all its Combination Securities in a

manner consistent with the restrictions set forth in the Indenture and the purchaser will not sell or otherwise transfer any such Combination Security or interest therein to any person who is unable to satisfy the same foregoing representations and warranties.

(d) Neither the Trustee nor the Indenture Registrar shall be responsible for ascertaining whether any transfer complies with, or for otherwise monitoring or determining compliance with, the requirements or terms of the Securities Act, applicable state securities laws, ERISA, the Code or the 1940 Act; except that if a certificate or any other document is specifically required by this Section 2.6 to be provided to the Trustee by a prospective transferee, the Trustee shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine whether it conforms substantially on its face to the applicable requirements of this Section 2.6.

Each Holder of a Combination Security in the form of a Certificated Security will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Trustee written certification in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit B as to whether it is an Affected Bank and each purchaser and subsequent transferee of a Combination Security in the form of a Regulation S Global Security will be deemed to represent to the Issuer and to the Trustee that it is not an Affected Bank. No transfer of any Combination Security to a transferee that has represented it is an Affected Bank will be effective, and the Trustee will not recognize any such transfer, unless such transfer is specifically authorized by the Issuer in writing; provided, however, that the Issuer shall authorize any such transfer if (x) such transfer would not cause more than 33⅓% of the aggregate outstanding amount of the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components of the Combination Securities) to be owned by Affected Banks or (y) the transferor is an Affected Bank previously approved by the Issuer.

(e) For so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding, the Issuer shall not issue or register the transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares to U.S. persons and the Co-Issuer shall not issue or register the transfer of any of its shares of the Co-Issuer to U.S. persons. As used in this subsection (e), "U.S. person" has the meaning assigned to it in Regulation S.

(f) So long as a Certificated Security or a Global Security remains Outstanding and is held by or on behalf of the Depository, transfers of the Certificated Security or Global Security, in whole or in part, shall only be made in accordance with Sections 2.2(b) and (c) and this Section 2.6(f); provided that any exchange of a Combination Security for its Components shall be affected in accordance with Section 2.2(g).

(i) Subject to clauses (ii), (iii), (iv) and (v) of this Section 2.6(f), transfers of a Global Security shall be limited to transfers of the Global Security in whole, but not in part, to nominees of the Depository.

(ii) *Rule 144A Global Note or Certificated Security to Regulation S Global Security.* If a Holder of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note deposited with the Depository or a Certificated Security wishes at any time to exchange its interest in the Rule 144A Global Note or Certificated Security for an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Security, or to transfer its interest in the Rule 144A Global Note or Certificated Security to a person who wishes to take delivery of it in the form of an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Security, the Holder may exchange or transfer the interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Security (subject, in the case of the Rule 144A Global Note, to the rules and procedures of the Depository) if the Holder after the exchange or transfer is not a U.S. person.

In the case of the transfer of (x) a Rule 144A Global Note, the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository to reduce the principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Note and to increase the principal amount of the Regulation S Global Security by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to be exchanged, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to

the Holder's Notes, and to credit to the securities account of the person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Security equal to the reduction in the principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Security and (y) a Certificated Security, the Trustee will exchange such Certificated Security for the remaining untransferred principal amount of or cancel, as applicable, such Certificated Security (and note such cancellation or reduction in the Indenture Register) and the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository to increase the principal amount of the Regulation S Global Security by the aggregate principal amount of the Certificated Security to be exchanged, and to credit to the securities account of the person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Security equal to the reduction or cancellation in the principal amount of the Certificated Security, in each case upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of

(A) instructions given in accordance with the Depository's procedures from an Agent Member directing the Indenture Registrar to credit a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Security, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to the Holder's Securities, equal to the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note or the Certificated Security to be exchanged or transferred,

(B) a written order given in accordance with the Depository's procedures containing information regarding the participant account of the Depository and the Euroclear or Clearstream account to be credited with the increase,

(C) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-3 given by the Holder of the beneficial interest stating that the exchange or transfer of the interest has been made in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Global Securities or the Certificated Securities, as applicable, including that the Holder or the transferee, as applicable, is not a U.S. person, and that the transfer has been made pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S, and

(D) in the case of a transfer, a certificate in the applicable form of Exhibit B-1 given by the proposed transferee stating that it is not a U.S. person.

(iii) *Regulation S Global Security or Certificated Security to Rule 144A Global Note.* If a Holder of a Security held as a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Security deposited with the Depository, Euroclear or Clearstream, as applicable, or a Certificated Security wishes at any time to exchange its interest in the Regulation S Global Security or Certificated Security for an interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note or to transfer its interest in the Regulation S Global Security or Certificated Security to a person who wishes to take delivery of it in the form of an interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note, the Holder may exchange or transfer, or cause the exchange or transfer of, the interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note (subject, in the case of a Regulation S Global Security, to the rules and procedures of Euroclear, Clearstream, or the Depository, as the case may be) if the Holder after the exchange or transfer is a QIB/QP.

In the case of an exchange or transfer of (x) a Regulation S Global Security, the Indenture Trustee shall instruct Euroclear, Clearstream, or the Depository, as the case may be, to reduce the principal amount of the Regulation S Global Security and increase the principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Note by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Security to be exchanged, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to the Holder's Securities, and to credit to the securities account of the person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note equal to the reduction in the principal amount of the Regulation S Global Security and (y) a Certificated Security, the Trustee will exchange such Certificated Security for the remaining untransferred principal amount of or cancel, as applicable, such Certificated Security (and note such cancellation or reduction in the Indenture Register) and the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository to increase the principal amount of the Rule 144A

Global Note by the aggregate principal amount of the Certificated Security to be exchanged, and to credit to the securities account of the person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note equal to the reduction or cancellation in the principal amount of the Certificated Security, in each case upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of,

(A) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-2 given by the Holder of the beneficial interest and stating that, in the case of an exchange, the Holder is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and either (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers or, in the case of a transfer, the person transferring the interest in the Regulation S Global Security or Certificated Security reasonably believes that the person acquiring the interest in a Rule 144A Global Note is a Qualified Institutional Buyer, is obtaining the beneficial interest in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction, and either (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, and

(B) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-1 given by the proposed transferee stating that it is a QIB/QP.

(iv) *Global Security or Certificated Security to U.S. Certificated Security.* If a Holder of a Security held as a beneficial interest in a Global Security deposited with the Depository, Euroclear or Clearstream, as applicable, or a Certificated Security wishes at any time to exchange its interest in the Global Security or Certificated Security for an interest in the corresponding U.S. Certificated Security or to transfer its interest in the corresponding U.S. Certificated Security, the Holder may exchange or transfer, or cause the exchange or transfer of, the interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in a corresponding U.S. Certificated Security (subject, in the case of a Global Securities, to the rules and procedures of Euroclear, Clearstream, or the Depository, as the case may be) if the Holder after the exchange or transfer is an Accredited Investor that is also a Qualified Purchaser.

In the case of an exchange or transfer of (x) a Global Security, the Indenture Trustee shall instruct Euroclear, Clearstream, or the Depository, as the case may be, to reduce the principal amount of the Global Security and the Indenture Trustee shall authenticate and deliver to the transferee the U.S. Certificated Security specified in the instructions set forth in clause (A) below in an aggregate principal amount equal to such reduction in the principal amount of the Global Security and note the issuance, principal amount and registered holder of such U.S. Certificated Security in the Indenture Register and (y) a Certificated Security, the Indenture Trustee will exchange such Certificated Security for the remaining untransferred principal amount of or cancel, as applicable, such Certificated Security presented for transfer or exchange (and note such cancellation or reduction in the Indenture Register) and the Indenture Trustee shall authenticate and deliver to the transferee the U.S. Certificated Security specified in the instructions set forth in clause (A) below in an aggregate principal amount equal to the portion of the principal amount of the Certificated Securities presented for transfer or exchange (and note the issuance, principal amount and registered holder of such U.S. Certificated Security in the Indenture Register), and, in the case of a transfer in part, authenticate and deliver to the transferor a Certificated Security for any remaining portion of the principal amount of the Certificated Security presented for transfer or exchange, in each case upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of,

(A) instructions from the Co-Issuers to authenticate and deliver a new Security in the form of a U.S. Certificated Security registered in the name of the transferee or its nominee in a principal amount equal to such beneficial interest in such Global Securities or principal amount of the Certificated Security being exchanged or transferred, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to the related Class of Securities to be exchanged or transferred;

(B) certificate in the form of Exhibit B-2 hereto given by the Holder of the beneficial interest and stating that, in the case of an exchange, the Holder is an Accredited Investor and a Qualified Purchaser or an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers or, in the case of a transfer, the person transferring the interest in the Global Security or Certificated Security reasonably believes that the person acquiring the interest in the U.S. Certificated Security is an Accredited Investor and a Qualified Purchaser or an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, is obtaining such beneficial interest in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any applicable jurisdiction, and

(C) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-1 given by the proposed transferee stating that it is an Accredited Investor and a Qualified Purchaser.

(v) *Global Security or Certificated Security to Regulation S Certificated Security.* If a Holder of a Note held as a beneficial interest in a Global Security deposited with the Depository, Euroclear or Clearstream, as applicable, or a Certificated Security wishes at any time to exchange its interest in the Global Security or Certificated Security for an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Certificated Security or to transfer its interest in the corresponding Regulation S Certificated Security, the Holder may exchange or transfer, or cause the exchange or transfer of, the interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in a corresponding Regulation S Certificated Security (subject, in the case of a Global Securities, to the rules and procedures of Euroclear, Clearstream, or the Depository, as the case may be) if the Holder after the exchange or transfer is not a U.S. person.

In the case of an exchange or transfer of (x) a Global Security, the Indenture Trustee shall instruct Euroclear, Clearstream, or the Depository, as the case may be, to reduce the principal amount of the Global Security and the Indenture Trustee shall authenticate and deliver to the transferee the Regulation S Certificated Security specified in the instructions set forth in clause (A) below in an aggregate principal amount equal to such reduction in the principal amount of the Global Security and note the issuance, principal amount and registered holder of such Regulation S Certificated Security in the Indenture Register and (y) a Certificated Security, the Indenture Trustee will exchange such Certificated Security for the remaining untransferred principal amount of or cancel, as applicable, such Certificated Security presented for transfer or exchange (and note such cancellation or reduction in the Indenture Register) and the Indenture Trustee shall authenticate and deliver to the transferee the Regulation S Certificated Security specified in the instructions set forth in clause (A) below in an aggregate principal amount equal to the portion of the principal amount of the Certificated Securities presented for transfer or exchange (and note the issuance, principal amount and registered holder of such Regulation S Certificated Security in the Indenture Register), and, in the case of a transfer in part, authenticate and deliver to the transferor a Certificated Security for any remaining portion of the principal amount of the Certificated Security presented for transfer or exchange, in each case upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of,

(A) instructions from the Co-Issuers to authenticate and deliver a new Security in the form of a Regulation S Certificated Security registered in the name of the transferee or its nominee in a principal amount equal to such beneficial interest in such Global Securities or principal amount of the Certificated Security being exchanged or transferred, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to the related Class of Securities to be exchanged or transferred;

(B) certificate in the form of Exhibit B-3 given by the Holder of the beneficial interest stating that the exchange or transfer of the interest has been made in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Global Securities or the Certificated Securities, as applicable, including that the Holder or the transferee, as applicable, is not a U.S. person, and that the transfer has been made pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S, and



(C) in the case of a transfer, a certificate in the applicable form of Exhibit B-1 given by the proposed transferee stating that it is not a U.S. person.

(vi) *Other Exchanges.* If a Global Security is exchanged for the Securities in definitive registered form without interest coupons pursuant to Section 2.11, the Securities may be exchanged for one another only in accordance with procedures substantially consistent with the provisions above (including certification requirements intended to insure that the transfers are made only to Holders who are QIB/QPs, Accredited Investors that are Qualified Purchasers or non-U.S. persons, or otherwise comply with Regulation S, as the case may be), and as may be from time to time adopted by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee.

(g) The Components of the Combination Securities, whether in the form of Certificated Preference Shares, Regulation S Global Preference Shares, Class C Notes or the Class 2 Bond, are not separately transferable.

So long as a Combination Security remains Outstanding, exchanges of a Combination Security, in whole or in part, for the Notes (in the case of a Class 1 Combination Security) or the Class 2 Bond (in the case of the Class 2 Combination Security) and Preference Shares represented by its Components may be made, and shall only be made, in accordance with this Section 2.6(g), subject to the minimum denomination requirements applicable to relevant Class of Notes and Preference Shares. A Holder of, or a holder of a beneficial interest in, a Combination Security may exchange such interest for interests in the relevant Certificated Preference Share or Regulation S Global Preference Share, Global Security or Certificated Security, or Class 2 Bond representing the Preference Share Components, the Class 1 Note Component and the Class 2 Component, respectively, only in accordance with this Section. Any Holder of any Notes, Class 2 Bond or Preference Shares (including a Holder that received such Notes, the Class 2 Bond or Preference Shares upon exchange of a Combination Security) will not have the right to exchange such Notes, Class 2 Bond and Preference Shares for a Combination Security.

(i) A Holder of a beneficial interest in a Combination Security represented by a U.S. Certificated Security may exchange such interest for (A) interests in a proportionate amount of Rule 144A Global Notes or U.S. Certificated Securities, as applicable, relating to the Component representing Notes of such Combination Security (if applicable) or (B) with respect to the Class 2 Combination Securities, an in-kind delivery of such Holder's pro rata share of the Class 2 Bond and (C) Certificated Preference Shares relating to the Preference Share Component of such Combination Security, as provided below. Upon receipt by the Issuer and the Indenture Registrar of:

(A) the Holder's Certificated Security representing such Combination Securities properly endorsed for the exchange, together with written instructions from the Holder designating (A) the principal amount of Notes (if applicable) to be issued (the aggregate of the principal amount and Class of Notes being equal to the aggregate principal amount of the related Component representing Notes) or (B) delivery of the Class 2 Bond and (C) the number of Preference Shares to be issued (the aggregate number of Preference Shares being equal to the aggregate number of Preference Shares of the related Preference Share Component),

(B) written instructions from (1) (a) DTC directing the Indenture Registrar to cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Notes of the Component representing Notes equal to the principal amount of such Component representing Notes, the instructions to contain information regarding the participant account with the Depository to be credited with the increase or (b) the Co-Issuers to authenticate and deliver a new Security in the form of a Certificated Security registered in the name of the transferee or its nominee in a principal amount equal to such interest in the relevant Component representing Notes being exchanged, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to the Combination

Securities to be exchanged or (c) with respect to the Class 2 Combination Securities, the Holder directing the Trustee to make an in-kind delivery of the Holder's *pro rata* share of the Class 2 Bond and (2) the Co-Issuers to authenticate and deliver a new security in the form of a Certificated Preference Share registered in the name of the transferee or its nominee in a notional amount equal to such interest in the relevant Component representing Preference Shares being exchanged, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to the Combination Securities to be exchanged,

(C) a certificate in the form provided in Annex A to the resolutions of the Issuer's Board of Directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares, given by the Holder of such Combination Security stating that the exchange of the interest has been made in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Certificated Preference Shares, including that the person requesting the exchange is a Qualified Purchaser and that the proposed transfer is being made pursuant to Rule 144A or another applicable exemption from registration under the Securities Act,

then the Indenture Registrar shall cancel the U.S. Certificated Security and (1) (w) with respect to a Class 2 Combination Security, make an in-kind delivery of the Class 2 Bond or (x) instruct the Depository to credit to the securities account of the person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note equal to the Components representing Notes so exchanged or (y) shall authenticate and deliver the U.S. Certificated Security specified in the instructions set forth in clause (B) above in an aggregate principal amount equal to the portion of the principal amount of the Component representing Notes presented exchange (and note the issuance, principal amount and registered holder of such U.S. Certificated Security in the Indenture Register), and, in the case of a transfer in part, authenticate and deliver to the transferor a U.S. Certificated Security comprised of a Component representing Notes with a principal amount equal to the remaining portion of the principal amount of the Component representing Notes relating to such U.S. Certificated Security presented for transfer of exchange, and (2) the Trustee shall request the Issuer to issue (and the Issuer shall issue) Certificated Preference Shares in a number equal to the Preference Share Component being exchanged pursuant to the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement. No service charge will be made for the exchange, but the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith. Promptly after the consummation of the exchange of the U.S. Certificated Securities for all or a proportionate amount of the Class 2 Bond or Notes and Preference Shares relating to the relevant Components, the Issuer shall give each Rating Agency notice of such exchange. No Holder of Notes, the Class 2 Bond or Preference Shares (including a Holder that received Notes, the Class 2 Bond or Preference Shares upon an exchange of a Combination Security) may exchange Notes, Class 2 Bond and Preference Shares for a Combination Security.

(ii) A Holder of a beneficial interest in a Combination Security represented by a Regulation S Global Security or a Regulation S Certificated Security may exchange such interest for (A) interests in a proportionate amount of Regulation S Global Securities or Regulation S Certificated Securities relating to the Component of such Combination Security representing Notes (if applicable) or (B) with respect to the Class 2 Combination Securities, an in-kind delivery of such Holder's *pro rata* share of the Class 2 Bond and (C) Regulation S Global Preference Shares relating to the Preference Share Component of such Combination Security, as provided below. Upon receipt by the Issuer and the Indenture Registrar of:

(A) with respect to a Regulation S Certificated Security, the Holder's Certificated Security representing such Combination Securities properly endorsed for the exchange, together with written instructions from the Holder designating (A) the principal amount of Notes (if applicable) to be issued (the aggregate of the principal amount and Class of Notes being equal to the aggregate principal amount of the related Component

representing Notes) or (B) with respect to the Class 2 Combination Securities, delivery of the Class 2 Bond and (C) the number of Preference Shares to be issued (the aggregate number of Preference Shares being equal to the aggregate number of Preference Shares of the related Preference Share Component),

(B) written instructions from (1) (a) with respect to a Regulation S Global Security, Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, directing the Indenture Registrar to cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Security equal to the beneficial interest in the Components representing Notes of such Combination Security or (b) with respect to a Regulation S Certificated Security, the Co-Issuers to authenticate and deliver a new Security in the form of a Certificated Security registered in the name of the transferee or its nominee in a principal amount equal to such interest in the relevant Component representing Notes being exchanged, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to the Combination Securities to be exchanged or (c) with respect to the Class 2 Combination Securities, the Holder designating delivery of the Class 2 Bond and (2) Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, directing the Indenture Registrar to cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Preference Shares equal to the beneficial interest in the Preference Share Components of such Combination Security, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to the Holder's Securities and Preference Shares, to be exchanged, the instructions to contain information regarding the participant account with the Depository to be credited with the increase, and

(C) a certificate in the applicable form of Exhibit B-1, given by the Holder of the Combination Security stating that the exchange of the interest has been made in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Certificated Security, as applicable, and Regulation S Global Preference Shares, including that the person requesting the exchange is not a U.S. person and that the proposed transfer is being made pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S,

then the Indenture Registrar shall either cancel the Regulation S Certificated Security or instruct the Depository to reduce the Regulation S Global Security evidencing the relevant Combination Security by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Components represented by the Regulation S Global Security to be exchanged and the Indenture Registrar shall (1)(w) with respect to the Class 2 Combination Securities, make an in-kind distribution of the Class 2 Bond or (x) instruct the Depository, concurrently with the cancellation or reduction, to credit to the securities account of the person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Securities evidencing the relevant Component representing Notes equal to the reduction in the principal amount of the Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Certificated Security evidencing the Combination Securities or (y) shall authenticate and deliver the Regulation S Certificated Security specified in the instructions set forth in clause (B) above in an aggregate principal amount equal to the portion of the principal amount of the Component representing Notes presented exchange (and note the issuance, principal amount and registered holder of such Regulation S Certificated Security in the Indenture Register) and, in the case of a transfer in part, authenticate and deliver to the transferor a Regulation S Certificated Security comprised of a Component representing Notes with a principal amount equal to the remaining portion of the principal amount of the Component representing Notes relating to such Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Certificated Security presented for transfer of exchange and (2) instruct the Depository, concurrently with the reduction, to credit to the securities account of the person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Preference Shares evidencing the Preference Share Component equal to the reduction in the notional amount of the Regulation S Global Security evidencing the Combination Securities. No Holder of Notes, the Class 2 Bond or Preference Shares represented by Regulation S Global Securities (including a Holder that received Notes, the Class 2 Bond or Preference Shares represented by Regulation S Global Securities upon an exchange

of a Combination Security) may exchange such Notes, Class 2 Bond and Preference Shares for a Combination Security represented by a Regulation S Global Security.

(iii) Notwithstanding the foregoing:

(A) in connection with the sale of Extension Sale Securities in accordance with Section 2.4, the Trustee shall, upon the direction of the Holder of any Class 2 Combination Security in accordance with Section 2.4(b), (1) request the Issuer to distribute (and the Issuer shall distribute) the Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Component of such Class 2 Combination Security to such Holder (without any further action or consent of such Holder) and (2) note in the Indenture Register that the Class 2 Combination Security remains Outstanding with respect to its Class 2 Component;

(B) in connection with the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser's exercise of an Amendment Buy-Out Option in accordance with Section 9.6, the Trustee shall, upon the direction of the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser in accordance with Section 9.6(a), (1) request the Issuer to distribute (and the Issuer shall distribute) the Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Component of such Class 2 Combination Security to the Holder of such Class 2 Combination Security (without any further action or consent of such Holder) and (2) note in the Indenture Register that the Class 2 Combination Security remains Outstanding with respect to its Class 2 Component; and

(C) under the circumstances described in the last paragraph of Section 11.2 and upon written notice from the Issuer to the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Class 2 Combination Securities shall be exchanged for the Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Component without any action or consent of the Holder of the Class 2 Combination Securities after the payments have been made on the related Class 2 Component Payment Date.

(h) If the Securities are issued upon the transfer, exchange, or replacement of Securities bearing the applicable legends in the applicable portion of Exhibit A, and if a request is made to remove the legend on the Securities, the legend shall not be removed unless the Trustee and the Applicable Issuers received satisfactory evidence, which may include an Opinion of Counsel acceptable to them, reasonably required by the Applicable Issuers (and which shall by its terms permit reliance by the Trustee), to the effect that neither the legend nor the restrictions on transfer in it are required to ensure that transfers of the Securities comply with the Securities Act, the 1940 Act, ERISA, and the Code. Upon provision of satisfactory evidence, the Trustee or its Authenticating Agent, at the written direction of the Applicable Issuers shall, after due execution by the Applicable Issuers authenticate and deliver Securities that do not bear the applicable legend.

(i) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Section 2.6 to the contrary:

(i) Restrictions on U.S. Transfers. Transfers of an interest in a Regulation S Global Security or a Regulation S Certificated Security that are not made in an offshore transaction pursuant to Regulation S or are made to U.S. Persons, if such transferees take delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note or U.S. Certificated Security, shall be limited to transfers made pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.6(f)(iii) and Section 2.6(f)(iv).

(ii) Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Security may only be held through Euroclear or Clearstream.

(j) Each person who becomes a Beneficial Owner of a Security evidenced by: (i) an interest in a Certificated Security, shall make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in the applicable Transferee Certificate set forth in Exhibit B-1 upon such person's purchase or other

acquisition of the relevant Certificated Security and (ii) an interest in a Global Security, shall be deemed to make (or in the case of a Class 2 Combination Security represented by a Global Security purchased in the Offering of the Securities, will be required to make) the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in the applicable legends of the Securities set forth in the applicable portion of Exhibit A hereto and in the applicable Transferee Certificate set forth in Exhibit B-1 hereto upon such person's purchase or other acquisition of the relevant Global Security.

(k) The aggregate principal amount of any Global Security may be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee, as custodian for DTC for the Global Security, which adjustments shall be conclusive as to the aggregate principal amount of any Global Security.

(l) Any purported transfer of a Security not in accordance with this Section 2.6 shall be null and void.

**Section 2.7. *Mutilated, Destroyed, Lost, or Stolen Securities.***

If any mutilated or defaced Security is delivered to a Transfer Agent or if the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, and the relevant Transfer Agent receive evidence to their satisfaction of the destruction, loss, or theft of any Security, and they receive the security or indemnity they require to hold each of them harmless, or if any mutilated Security is surrendered to a Transfer Agent, then, in the absence of notice to the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, or the Transfer Agent that the Security has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the Applicable Issuers shall execute and upon Issuer Order and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in lieu of the mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Security, a replacement Security, of like tenor and equal principal amount.

If, after delivery of the replacement Security or payment on it, a protected purchaser of the predecessor Security presents it for payment, transfer, or exchange, the Applicable Issuers, the Transfer Agent, and the Trustee may recover the replacement Security (or the payment on it) from the person to whom it was delivered or any person taking the replacement Security from the person to whom the replacement Security was delivered or any assignee of that person, except a protected purchaser, and may recover on the security or indemnity provided therefor to the extent of any loss, damage, cost, or expense incurred by the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, and the Transfer Agent in connection with it.

If any mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Security has become payable, the Applicable Issuers in their discretion may, instead of issuing a new Security pay the Security without requiring its surrender except that any mutilated Security shall be surrendered.

Upon the issuance of any new Security under this Section, the Applicable Issuers or the Trustee may require the payment by its holder of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with the issuance and any other expenses (including the fees and expenses of the Trustee) connected with it.

Every new Security issued pursuant to this Section in replacement for any mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Security shall be an original additional contractual obligation of the Applicable Issuers and the new Security shall be entitled to all the benefits of this Indenture equally and proportionately with all other Securities of the same Class duly issued under this Indenture.

The provisions of this Section are exclusive and shall preclude (to the extent lawful) all other rights with respect to the replacement or payment of mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Securities.

Section 2.8. ***Payment of Principal and Interest and Other Amounts; Principal and Interest Rights Preserved; Withholding.***

(a) The Notes of each Class shall accrue interest during each Interest Period on their Aggregate Outstanding Amount (determined as of the first day of the Interest Period and after giving effect to any redemption or other payment of principal occurring on that day) at the Applicable Note Interest Rate. Interest shall be payable in arrears on each Payment Date. Payment of interest on each Class of Notes shall be subordinated to the payments of interest on the related Priority Classes and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of interest due on the Class of Deferred Interest Notes that is not available to be paid ("*Deferred Interest*") in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered "payable" for the purposes of this Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Interest shall cease to accrue on each Note, or in the case of a partial repayment, on the part repaid, from the date of repayment or its Stated Maturity unless payment of principal is improperly withheld or unless there is some other default with respect to the payments of principal.

To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for such Class and, to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest, until paid as provided in this Indenture.

(b) The principal of each Note of each Class matures at par and is payable on the Payment Date that is the Stated Maturity for the Class of Notes, unless the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable at an earlier date by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the payment of principal of each Class of Notes:

(i) may only occur after principal on each Class of Notes that is a Priority Class with respect to the Class has been paid in full; and

(ii) is subordinated to the payment on each Payment Date of the principal and interest payable on the Priority Classes, and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments;

provided that, notwithstanding the foregoing, Interest Proceeds may be used to pay principal of the Class D Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class D Coverage Tests.

(c) Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Section 9.1.

(d) As a condition to the payment of principal of and interest on any Security without the imposition of U.S. withholding tax, the Paying Agent shall require the previous delivery of appropriate properly completed and signed original forms United States federal income tax certifications (generally, an Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a person that is a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code or an appropriate Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a person that is not a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) or any other certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, and any Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may

be required to deduct or withhold from payments on the Security under any present or future law of the United States or any present or future law of any political subdivision of the United States or taxing authority in the United States or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under any such law.

(e) Payments in respect of interest on and principal of any Security shall be made by the Trustee in U.S. Dollars to the Depository or its designee with respect to a Global Security and to the Holder or its nominee with respect to a Certificated Security, by wire transfer, as directed by the Holder, in immediately available funds to a U.S. Dollar account maintained by the Depository or its nominee with respect to a Global Security, and to the Holder or its designee with respect to a Certificated Security, in the case of a Certificated Security, its holder has provided written wiring instructions to the Trustee. Payments in respect of distributions on any Preference Share payable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in accordance with the Priority of Payments for payments on the Preference Shares in accordance with the Preference Share Documents shall be payable by wire transfer in immediately available funds (or by internal transfer if the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent are the same Person) to the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

If appropriate instructions for the wire transfer are not received by the related Record Date, then the payment will be made by check drawn on a U.S. bank mailed to the address of the Holder in the Indenture Register. Upon final payment due on the Maturity of a Note, its holder shall present and surrender the Note at the office designated by the Trustee on or before the Maturity. If the Trustee and the Applicable Issuers have been furnished the security or indemnity they require to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the certificate, then, in the absence of notice to the Applicable Issuers or the Trustee that the applicable Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender. In the case of the Components to be redeemed, the related Combination Securities do not need to be surrendered at the office of any paying agent under this Indenture to receive the applicable Redemption Price. Neither the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Share Registrar, nor any Paying Agent shall have any responsibility or liability for any aspects of the records maintained by Euroclear, Clearstream, or any of the Agent Members relating to or for payments made thereby on account of beneficial interests in a Global Security.

In the case where any final payment of principal and interest is to be made on any Note (other than on its Stated Maturity and except as otherwise provided in this Indenture), the Trustee, in the name and at the expense of the Applicable Issuers shall, not more than 30 nor less than 10 days before the date on which the payment is to be made, mail (by first-class mail, postage prepaid) to the persons entitled thereto at their addresses appearing on the Indenture Register, a notice specifying the date on which the payment will be made, the amount of the payment per U.S.\$100,000 original principal amount of Notes and the place where the Notes may be presented and surrendered for payment. The final payment on any Combination Security shall be made only upon surrender of the certificate for the Combination Security to the Trustee at the office designated by the Trustee. If the Trustee and the Issuer have been furnished any security or indemnity they require to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the certificate, then, in the absence of notice to the Issuer or the Trustee that the applicable certificate has been acquired by a protected purchaser, final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender of the applicable certificate.

(f) Payments of principal to Holders of the Notes of each Class shall be made in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes of the Class registered in the name of each Holder on the applicable Record Date bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Notes of the Class on the Record Date.

(g) Interest accrued shall be calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in the applicable Interest Period divided by 360.

(h) All reductions in the principal amount of a Security (or one or more predecessor Securities) effected by payments of installments of principal made on any Payment Date or Redemption Date shall be binding on all future Holders of the Security and of any Security issued upon the registration of its transfer, exchange, or replacement, whether or not the payment is noted on such Security.

(i) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the obligations of the Applicable Issuers under the Securities and under this Indenture are limited recourse obligations of the Applicable Issuers payable solely from the Collateral and following realization of the assets, application of their proceeds in accordance with this Indenture and the reduction of the proceeds of the Collateral to zero, all obligations of, and any claims against, the Co-Issuers under this Indenture or under the Securities or arising in connection therewith shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. No recourse shall be had against any Officer, director, employee, shareholder, or incorporator of either of the Co-Issuers or their respective successors or assigns for any amounts payable under the Securities or this Indenture. The foregoing provisions of this paragraph (i) shall not (1) prevent recourse to the Collateral for the sums due or to become due under any security, instrument, or agreement that is part of the Collateral or (2) be a waiver, release, or discharge of any indebtedness or obligation evidenced by the Securities or secured by this Indenture until the Collateral have been realized. The foregoing provisions of this paragraph (i) shall not limit the right of any person to name the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as a party defendant in any Proceeding or in the exercise of any other remedy under the Securities or this Indenture, so long as no judgment in the nature of a deficiency judgment or seeking personal liability is sought or (if obtained) enforced against the person.

(j) If any withholding tax is imposed on the Issuer's payment (or allocations of income) under the Securities to any Noteholder or Combination Securityholder, as applicable, the tax shall reduce the amount otherwise distributable to the Noteholder or Combination Securityholder, as applicable. The Trustee is hereby authorized and directed to retain from amounts otherwise distributable to any Noteholder or Combination Securityholder sufficient funds for the payment of any tax that is legally owed, or required by law to be collected, by or on behalf of the Issuer (but the authorization shall not prevent the Trustee or the Issuer from contesting any such tax in appropriate proceedings and withholding payment of the tax, if permitted by law, pending the outcome of the proceedings). The amount of any withholding tax imposed with respect to any Noteholder or Combination Securityholder shall be treated as Cash distributed to the Noteholder or Combination Securityholder when it is withheld by the Trustee and remitted to the appropriate taxing authority. If there is a possibility that withholding tax is payable with respect to a distribution, the Trustee may in its sole discretion withhold the amounts in accordance with this Section 2.8(j). If any Noteholder or Combination Securityholder wishes to apply for a refund of any such withholding tax, the Trustee shall reasonably cooperate with the Noteholder or Combination Securityholder in making the claim by providing information readily available to the Trustee so long as the Noteholder or Combination Securityholder agrees to reimburse the Trustee for any out-of-pocket expenses incurred and provides the Trustee with security reasonably acceptable to the Trustee assuring the reimbursement. The Trustee hereby provides notice to each Noteholder and Combination Securityholder that the failure by the Noteholder or Combination Securityholder to provide the Trustee with appropriate tax certifications may result in amounts being withheld from payments to the Noteholder or Combination Securityholder, as applicable. Nothing in this Indenture shall impose an obligation on the part of the Trustee to determine the amount of any tax or withholding obligation on the part of the Issuer or in respect of the Securities.

#### Section 2.9. *Persons Considered Owners.*

The Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, and any agent of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee may treat as the owner of the Security the person in whose name any Security is registered on the Indenture Register on the applicable Record Date for the purpose of receiving payments of principal of and interest on the Security and



on any other date for all other purposes whatsoever (whether or not the Security is overdue), and neither the Issuer, the Co-Issuers, nor the Trustee nor any agent of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the Trustee shall be affected by notice to the contrary. The Portfolio Manager shall notify the Trustee of any Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager that owns the Securities or Preference Shares.

Section 2.10. ***Cancellation.***

All Securities surrendered for payment, registration of transfer, exchange, or redemption, or lost or stolen, shall be promptly canceled by the Trustee and may not be reissued or resold. No Securities shall be authenticated in lieu of or in exchange for any Securities canceled as provided in this Section 2.10, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture. All canceled Securities held by the Trustee shall be destroyed by the Trustee in accordance with its standard policy unless the Co-Issuers direct by an Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee prior to cancellation and destruction that they be returned to the Issuer.

Section 2.11. ***Certificated Securities.***

(a) A Global Security deposited with the Depository pursuant to Section 2.2 shall be transferred in the form of a Certificated Security to their Beneficial Owners only if the transfer complies with Section 2.6 and either

(i) the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as Depository for the Global Security or

(ii) if at any time the Depository ceases to be a Clearing Agency registered under the Exchange Act and, in each case, a successor depository is not appointed by the Co-Issuers within 90 days after the notice.

(b) Any Global Security that is transferable in the form of a Certificated Security to its Beneficial Owners pursuant to this Section 2.11 shall be surrendered by the Depository to the office of the Trustee's agent located in the City of New York, New York as specified in Section 7.2 (or any other office designated by the Trustee) to be so transferred, in whole or from time to time in part, without charge, and the Applicable Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, upon the transfer of each portion of the Global Security, an equal aggregate principal amount of Certificated Securities (pursuant to the instructions of the Depository) in authorized denominations. Any Certificated Security delivered in exchange for an interest in a Global Security, as applicable, shall, except as otherwise provided by Section 2.6(i), bear the legends in the applicable portion of Exhibit A and shall be subject to the transfer restrictions referred to in the legends.

(c) The Holder of a Global Security may grant proxies and otherwise authorize any person, including Agent Members and persons that may hold interests through Agent Members, to take any action which a Holder is entitled to take under this Indenture or the Securities, as applicable.

(d) Upon the occurrence of either of the events specified in Section 2.11(a)(i) and (ii), the Co-Issuers shall promptly make available to the Trustee a reasonable supply of Certificated Securities in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons.

The Certificated Securities shall be in substantially the same form as the Global Securities, with any changes the Issuer and Trustee agree to and the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in exchange therefor, the same aggregate principal amount of Certificated Securities of authorized denominations.

Section 2.12. ***Securities Beneficially Owned by Non-Permitted Holders.***

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary elsewhere in this Indenture, any transfer of a beneficial interest in any Global Security or Regulation S Certificated Security to a U.S. person (for purposes of this Section 2.12 as defined in Regulation S) that is not a QIB/QP (or an Accredited Investor and a Qualified Purchaser with respect to U.S. Certificated Securities) and that is not in each case made pursuant to an applicable exemption under the Securities Act, shall be void and any such purported transfer of which the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the Trustee has notice may be disregarded by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, and the Trustee for all purposes.

(b) After discovery by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the Trustee (and notice by the Trustee or the Co-Issuer to the Issuer, if either of them makes the discovery), that a person is a Non-Permitted Holder, the Issuer shall promptly send notice to the Non-Permitted Holder demanding that the Non-Permitted Holder transfer its interest to a person that is not a Non-Permitted Holder within 30 days of the date of the notice. If the Non-Permitted Holder fails to so transfer its Securities or interest in the Securities, without further notice to the Non-Permitted Holder, the Issuer may sell the Securities or interest in the Securities to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is not a Non-Permitted Holder on any terms the Issuer chooses. The Issuer, or the Trustee acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting bids (or by appointing an investment bank at the expense of the Issuer to solicit bids) from brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Securities, and selling the Securities, or interest in the Securities to the highest bidder. However, the Issuer or the Trustee may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Security, the Beneficial Owner of each interest in a Security, the Non-Permitted Holder, and each other person in the chain of title from the Holder or Beneficial Owner to the Non-Permitted Holder, by its acceptance of an interest in the Securities agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Trustee to effect the transfers. The proceeds of the sale, net of any commissions, expenses of the Trustee or otherwise, and taxes due in connection with the sale shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted Holder. The terms of any sale under this subsection shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer (or the Trustee acting on its behalf), and the Issuer and the Trustee shall not be liable to any person having an interest in the Securities sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of its discretion.

### ARTICLE 3

#### CONDITIONS PRECEDENT

Section 3.1. ***Conditions to Issuance of Securities on Closing Date.***

The Securities to be issued on the Closing Date shall be executed by the Applicable Issuers and delivered to the Trustee for authentication and thereupon the same shall be authenticated and delivered by the Trustee upon Issuer Order and upon receipt by the Trustee of the following:

(i) *Officers' Certificates of the Co-Issuers Regarding Corporate Matters.* An Officer's certificate of each of the Co-Issuers:

(A) (1) evidencing (x) the authorization by Board Resolution of the execution and delivery of this Indenture and the Placement Agency Agreement and, in the case of the Issuer, the Management Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Hedge Agreements being entered into on or before the Closing Date (if any), and related transaction documents and (y) the execution, authentication, and delivery of the Securities applied for by it and specifying the Stated Maturity, principal amount, and, with respect to the Notes, the Note Interest Rate of each Class of Notes to be authenticated and delivered and (2) evidencing the authorization by

Board Resolution of the issuance, terms and number of Preference Shares issued on the Closing Date, and that each of the foregoing is in accordance with the terms of the Board Resolution, and

(B) certifying that (1) the attached copy of the Board Resolution is an accurate copy, (2) the resolutions have not been rescinded and are in full force on and as of the Closing Date, and (3) the Officers authorized to execute and deliver the documents hold the offices and have the signatures indicated on the documents.

(ii) *Governmental Approvals.* From each of the Co-Issuers either:

(A) a certificate of the Applicable Issuer or other official document evidencing the due authorization, approval, or consent of any governmental bodies, at the time having jurisdiction in the premises, together with an Opinion of Counsel of the Applicable Issuer that no other authorization, approval, or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of the Securities applied for by it, or

(B) an Opinion of Counsel of the Applicable Issuer that no authorization, approval, or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of the Securities except as have been given; provided that the opinions of McKee Nelson LLP and Maples and Calder, substantially in the forms of Exhibit C and Exhibit D, respectively, shall satisfy this clause (B).

(iii) *Co-Issuers' and Portfolio Manager's U.S. Counsel Opinion.* An opinion of McKee Nelson LLP, special U.S. counsel to the Co-Issuers, and Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, counsel to the Portfolio Manager, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the forms of Exhibit C and Exhibit F.

(iv) *Issuer's Cayman Counsel Opinion.* An opinion of Maples and Calder, Cayman Islands counsel to the Issuer, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit D.

(v) *Trustee's Counsel Opinion.* An opinion of Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP, counsel to the Trustee, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit E.

(vi) *Officers' Certificates of Co-Issuers Regarding Indenture.* An Officer's certificate of each of the Co-Issuers stating that, to the best of the Officer's knowledge,

(A) the Applicable Issuer is not in default under this Indenture and that the issuance of the Securities applied for by it will not result in a default or a breach of, or be a default under, its organizational documents, any indenture or other agreement or instrument to which it is a party or by which it is bound, or any order of any court or administrative agency entered in any Proceeding to which it is a party or by which it may be bound or to which it may be subject;

(B) all conditions precedent in this Indenture relating to the authentication and delivery of the Securities have been complied with; and

(C) all expenses due or accrued with respect to the Offering or relating to actions taken on or in connection with the Closing Date have been paid or reserves therefor have been made.

The Officer's certificate of the Issuer shall also state that, to the best of the Officer's knowledge, all of its representations and warranties contained in this Indenture are accurate as of the Closing Date.

(vii) *Hedge Agreements*. Executed copies of the Hedge Agreements being entered into on or entered into before the Closing Date, if any.

(viii) *Management Agreement*. Executed copy of the Management Agreement.

(ix) *Preference Shares*. Copies of executed Preference Share certificates to be issued on the Closing Date.

(x) *Preference Share Documents*. An executed counterpart of each of the Preference Share Documents.

(xi) *Collateral Administration Agreement*. Executed copy of the Collateral Administration Agreement.

(xii) *Grant of Collateral Obligations*. Evidence of the Grant pursuant to the Granting Clauses of this Indenture of all of the Issuer's interest in the Collateral Obligations pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, on the Closing Date and Delivery of the Collateral Obligations (including any promissory notes and all other Underlying Instruments related to them to the extent received by the Issuer) to the Trustee or the Custodian as contemplated by Section 3.2.

(xiii) *Certificate of the Portfolio Manager*. A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, to the best knowledge of the Portfolio Manager, in the case of each Collateral Obligation pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, as the case may be, on the Closing Date and immediately before the delivery of the Collateral Obligation on the Closing Date:

(A) the "row/column combination" of the table appearing in the definition of "Ratings Matrix" selected by the Portfolio Manager on the Closing Date;

(B) the information with respect to the Collateral Obligation in the Schedule of Collateral Obligations is correct;

(C) the Collateral Obligation satisfies the requirements of the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and of Section 3.1(xx)(B); and

(D) no Deep Discount Obligation is included in the Collateral on the Closing Date.

(xiv) *Rating Letters*. An Officer's certificate of the Issuer to the effect that attached is an accurate copy of a letter signed by each Rating Agency and confirming that each Class of Securities rated by the Rating Agency has been assigned the applicable Initial Rating and that the ratings are in full force on the Closing Date.

(xv) *Accounts*. Evidence that each of the Accounts has been established.

(xvi) *Issuer Order for Deposit of Funds into Accounts*. An Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, authorizing the deposit of approximately U.S.\$274,895,753.10 into the Collection Account for use pursuant to Section 7.19, the deposit of approximately U.S.\$332,917.16 into the Closing Date Expense Account for use pursuant to Section 10.3(g) and the deposit of approximately U.S.\$7,200,000 into the Interest Reserve Account for use pursuant to Section 10.3(i).

(xvii) *Cayman Islands Listing*. An Officer's certificate of the Issuer to the effect that application will be made for the Securities to be admitted to the official list of the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange.

(xviii) *Issuer Order for Authentication of Securities*. An Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, directing the Trustee to authenticate the Securities in the amounts, in the registered names, and with the CUSIP numbers in the Issuer Order.

(xix) *Accountants' Certificate*. An Accountants' Certificate (A) confirming the information with respect to each Collateral Obligation on the Schedule of Collateral Obligations attached as Schedule 1, by reference to such sources as shall be specified therein (B) confirming that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that the Issuer has committed to purchase in accordance with customary settlement procedures in the relevant markets, is at least U.S.\$698,300,000, that each Concentration Limitation is satisfied taking into account all of the Collateral Obligations acquired as of the Closing Date (including binding agreements to purchase Collateral Obligations in effect on the Closing Date), that the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date and that the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date and a calculation of the Diversity Score and, with respect to each such test, specifying the percentage or other numerical value required in order to satisfy the applicable test and (C) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to this Section 3.1(xx).

(xx) *Certificate of the Issuer Regarding Collateral*. A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, to the knowledge of the Issuer, in the case of each Collateral Obligation pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, as the case may be, on the Closing Date and immediately before the delivery of the Collateral Obligation on the Closing Date:

(A) the Issuer is the owner of the Collateral Obligation free of any liens, claims, or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever except for those that are being released on the Closing Date and except for those Granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture;

(B) the Issuer has acquired its ownership in the Collateral Obligation in good faith without notice of any adverse claim, except as described in paragraph (A) above;

(C) the Issuer has not assigned, pledged, or otherwise encumbered any interest in the Collateral Obligation (or, if any interest in the Collateral Obligation has been assigned, pledged, or otherwise encumbered, it has been released before the Closing Date or is being released on the Closing Date) other than interests Granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture;

(D) the Issuer has full right to Grant a security interest in and assign and pledge the Collateral Obligation to the Trustee;

(E) upon Grant by the Issuer, the Trustee has a first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral Obligations and the other Collateral;

(F) based solely on the Accountant's Certificate set forth in clause (xix) above,

the weighted average purchase price of the Collateral Obligations in the portfolio as of the Closing Date is at least 90% of the aggregate par amount thereof; and

(G) based on the certification provided by the Portfolio Manager on the Closing Date pursuant to Section 3.1(xiii), no Deep Discount Obligation is included in the Collateral on the Closing Date.

(xxi) *Certificate of the Issuer Regarding Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice.* A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, on or prior to the Closing Date the Issuer provided to the Depository the Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice, substantially in the form of Exhibit H-2.

(xxii) *Other Documents.* Any other documents the Trustee reasonably requires. Nothing in this clause (xxii) shall imply or impose a duty on the part of the Trustee to require any other documents.

### Section 3.2. ***Custodianship; Delivery of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments.***

(a) The Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, shall deliver or cause to be delivered to a custodian appointed by the Issuer, which shall be a Securities Intermediary (the "Custodian"), all Collateral in accordance with the definition of "Deliver." Initially, the Custodian shall be JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association. Any successor custodian shall be a state or national bank or trust company that is not an Affiliate of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and has capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000 and is a Securities Intermediary. Subject to the limited right to relocate Pledged Obligations as provided in Section 7.5(b), the Trustee shall hold all Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, other investments purchased in accordance with this Indenture (other than Loans, Participations and general intangibles) and Cash in the relevant Account established and maintained pursuant to Article 10, as to which in each case the Trustee shall have entered into an agreement with the Custodian substantially in the form of Exhibit G providing, inter alia, that the establishment and maintenance of the Account shall be governed by the law of the State of New York.

(b) Each time that the Issuer, or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer, directs or causes the acquisition of any Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment, or other investments, the Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Issuer) shall, if the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment, or other investment is required to be, but has not already been, transferred to the relevant Account, cause the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment, or other investment to be Delivered to the Custodian to be held in the Custodial Account (or in the case of any such investment that is not a Collateral Obligation, in the Account in which the funds used to purchase the investment are held in accordance with Article 10) for the benefit of the Trustee in accordance with this Indenture. The security interest of the Trustee in the funds or other property used in connection with the acquisition shall, immediately and without further action on the part of the Trustee, be released. The security interest of the Trustee shall nevertheless come into existence and continue in the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment, or other investment so acquired, including all interests of the Issuer in to any contracts related to and proceeds of the Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, or other investments.

### Section 3.3. ***Representations as to Collateral.***

(a) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants to the Secured Parties as to the Collateral and the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities as to the Class 2 Collateral as follows (which representations are repeated on each day on which the Issuer acquires new Collateral):

(i) This Indenture creates a valid and continuing security interest (as defined in the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) in the Collateral and in the Class 2 Collateral in favor of the

Trustee, which security interest is prior to all other liens, charges, claims, security interests, mortgages, and other encumbrances, and is enforceable as such as against creditors of and purchasers from the Issuer.

(ii) Except for any Securities Lending Collateral and Synthetic Securities Collateral, the Issuer has good and marketable title to and is the owner of each item of Collateral and Class 2 Collateral free of any liens, claims, or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever except for liens (A) that are being released on the Closing Date and (B) granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture. The Issuer has a first priority security interest in all Securities Lending Collateral to secure all obligations of Securities Lending Counterparty under the Securities Lending Agreement and a first priority interest in all Synthetic Securities Collateral to secure all obligations of Synthetic Securities Counterparty under the Synthetic Securities Agreement.

(iii) The Issuer has not assigned, pledged, or otherwise encumbered any interest in the Collateral or Class 2 Collateral (or, if any interest in the Collateral or Class 2 Collateral has been assigned, pledged, or otherwise encumbered, it has been released before the Closing Date or is being released on the Closing Date) other than interests granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture.

(iv) The Issuer has full right, and has received all consents and approvals required by the related Underlying Instruments, to grant a security interest in its rights in the Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral to the Trustee.

(v) Each Collateral Obligation included in the Collateral satisfied the requirements of the definition of "Collateral Obligation" as of the date the Issuer committed to purchase the same or, in the case of the Warehoused Loans, as of the Closing Date.

(vi) All Collateral Obligations, any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange did not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, and Eligible Investments (other than, in each case, "general intangibles" within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) have been and will have been credited to one of the Accounts. The securities intermediary for each Account has agreed to treat all assets credited to the Accounts as "financial assets" within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code.

(vii) The Issuer has pledged to the Trustee all of the Issuer's interest in each Collateral Obligation included in the Collateral pursuant to the Granting Clauses of this Indenture and has delivered each Collateral Obligation (including any promissory note and all its other Underlying Instruments to the extent received by the Issuer) to the Trustee or the Custodian as contemplated by Section 3.2.

(viii) Each of the Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral constitutes "general intangibles," "certificated securities," "instruments," "securities entitlements," or "uncertificated securities," each within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code, or any other category of collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code as to which the Issuer has complied with its obligations under Section 3.3(b).

(ix) The Issuer has caused (or will have caused within 10 days following the Closing Date) the filing of appropriate financing statements in the proper filing offices in the appropriate jurisdictions under applicable law to perfect the security interest in the portion of the Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral pledged to the Trustee under this Indenture that may be perfected by the filing of financing statements.

(x) The Issuer has not authorized the filing of and is not aware of any financing statements against the Issuer that include a description of collateral covering the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral other than any financing statement (A) relating to the security interest granted to the Trustee under this Indenture, (B) that has been terminated, or (C) that names the Trustee as the secured party. On the date of this Indenture, the Issuer is not aware of any judgment or Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation or tax lien filings against the Issuer.

(xi) The Issuer has delivered to the Trustee a fully executed agreement pursuant to which the securities intermediary for each Account has agreed to comply with all instructions originated by the Trustee relating to the Account without further consent by the Issuer.

(xii) All original executed copies of each "instrument" (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral have been delivered to the Custodian, to the extent received by the Issuer. None of the instruments that are or evidence the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral has any marks or notations indicating that they are then pledged or otherwise assigned to any person other than the Trustee.

(xiii) The Accounts are not in the name of any person other than the Issuer or the Trustee. The Issuer has not consented to the securities intermediary of any Account to comply with instructions of any person other than the Trustee.

(xiv) All "certificated securities" (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral have been delivered to the Custodian, to the extent received by the Issuer, registered in the name of the Custodian or indorsed to the Custodian. The Issuer has received a written acknowledgment from the Custodian that the Custodian is holding all the certificated securities delivered to it that are or evidence the Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral solely on behalf and for the benefit of the Trustee.

(xv) The Issuer has caused all "uncertificated securities" (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral to be registered in the name of the Custodian.

(xvi) Upon grant by the Issuer, the Trustee has a first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral.

(xvii) The parties to this Indenture (i) shall not waive any of the representations in this Section 3.3, unless the Rating Condition is satisfied in connection with such waiver; (ii) shall provide each of the Rating Agencies with prompt written notice of any breach of the representations contained in this Section 3.3 upon becoming aware thereof, and shall not waive a breach of any of the representations in this Section 3.3, unless the Rating Condition is satisfied (as determined after any adjustment or withdrawal of the ratings following notice of such breach) in connection with such waiver.

(b) If the Issuer acquires Collateral or Class 2 Collateral that is not "general intangibles," "certificated securities," "instruments," "securities entitlements," or "uncertificated securities," each within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code, or another category of collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code as to which the Issuer has complied with its obligations under this Section 3.3(b), then on or before the date on which the Issuer acquires the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral, the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer) shall notify S&P and the Trustee (with respect to the Collateral, for the benefit of the Secured Parties and, with respect to the Class 2 Collateral, for the benefit of the Holder of the Class 2 Combination Securities) of its acquisition or intended acquisition of the Collateral or Class 2 Collateral, as applicable, and the Issuer shall represent to S&P and to the Trustee (with respect to the Collateral, for



the benefit of the Secured Parties and, with respect to the Class 2 Collateral, for the benefit of the Holder of the Class 2 Combination Securities) as to the category of the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code and shall make any further representations as to the perfection and priority of the security interest in the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral Granted under this Indenture acceptable to S&P.

Section 3.4. ***Conditions to Issuance of Additional Preference Shares***

Any Additional Preference Shares to be issued on an Additional Preference Shares Closing Date pursuant to Section 9 of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement shall satisfy the conditions precedent set forth in Section 9 of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

ARTICLE 4

SATISFACTION AND DISCHARGE

Section 4.1. ***Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture.***

This Indenture shall be discharged and shall cease to be of further effect with respect to the Notes, the Combination Securities, the Class 2 Collateral and the Collateral except as to:

- (i) rights of registration of transfer and exchange,
- (ii) substitution of mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Securities,
- (iii) rights of Holders of the Securities to receive payments of principal and interest on, or other amounts (including without limitation Extension Bonus Payments, as applicable) owing in respect of, the Securities and the rights of the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities to receive distributions with respect to the Class 2 Component, as provided in this Indenture,
- (iv) the rights, indemnities, and immunities of the Trustee under this Indenture and the obligations of the Trustee under Section 7.3 of this Indenture with respect to the holding and paying of unclaimed funds,
- (v) for so long as any Preference Shares remain Outstanding, any provisions hereof conferring any rights or remedies upon the Holders of the Preference Shares or the Preference Shares Paying Agent on behalf of the Holders of the Preference Shares, including but not limited to, the provisions of Articles 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15,
- (vi) for so long as any Preference Shares remain Outstanding, the provisions of Articles 10, 11 and 12 relating to the acquisition, retention, disbursement and reinvestment of Collateral,
- (vii) the rights, obligations, and immunities of the Portfolio Manager under this Indenture and under the Management Agreement, and
- (viii) the rights of Holders of the Securities as beneficiaries of this Indenture with respect to the property deposited with the Trustee and payable to any of them and the rights of the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities as beneficiaries of this Indenture with respect to the Class 2 Collateral (and the Trustee, on demand of and at the expense of the Issuer, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture),

when:

(a) either:

(i) all Securities theretofore authenticated and delivered to Noteholders and the Combination Securityholders (other than (A) Securities that have been destroyed, lost, or stolen and which have been replaced or paid as provided in Section 2.7 and (B) Securities for whose payment money has theretofore irrevocably been deposited in trust and thereafter repaid to the Issuer or discharged from the trust, as provided in Section 7.3), have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation; or

(ii) all Securities not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation

(A) have become payable, or

(B) will become payable at their Stated Maturity within one year, or

(C) are to be called for redemption pursuant to Article 9 under an arrangement satisfactory to the Trustee for the giving of notice of redemption by the Applicable Issuers pursuant to Section 9.3,

and the Issuer has irrevocably deposited with the Trustee, in trust for payment of the principal and interest on the Securities, Cash or non-callable obligations of the United States of America. The Class 2 Bond is the obligation that must be deposited and held in a segregated trust account with respect to the Class 2 Component, and when distribution is required, will be distributed in kind in complete satisfaction of all obligations to the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities for payment on their interest in the Class 2 Component (and the Class 2 Component shall not be entitled to any of the proceeds of any of the other obligations). The obligations deposited under Section 4.1(a)(ii) with respect to the other Securities must be entitled to the full faith and credit of the United States of America or be debt obligations that are rated "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, in an amount sufficient, as verified by a firm of Independent certified public accountants that are nationally recognized, to pay and discharge the entire indebtedness on the Securities not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation, for principal and interest to the date of the deposit (in the case of Securities that have become payable), or to the respective Stated Maturity or the respective Redemption Date, as the case may be, and the Issuer shall have Granted to the Trustee a valid perfected security interest in the Eligible Investment that is of first priority, free of any adverse claim, and shall have furnished an Opinion of Counsel with respect thereto. Section 4.1(a)(ii) shall not apply if an election to act in accordance with Section 5.5(a) has been made and not rescinded. In addition, the Issuer shall cause delivery to the Trustee of an Opinion of Counsel of Independent U.S. tax counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters to the effect that the Holders of Notes would recognize no income, gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of the deposit and satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture;

(b) the Issuer has paid all other sums then payable under this Indenture by the Issuer and no other amounts are scheduled to be payable by the Issuer; and

(c) the Co-Issuers have delivered to the Trustee Officer's certificates and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent in this Indenture provided for relating to the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture have been complied with.

Notwithstanding the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture, the rights and obligations of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager and, if applicable, the Noteholders and the Combination Securityholders, as applicable, under Sections 2.8, 4.2, 5.4(d), 5.9, 5.18, 6.6, 6.7, 7.1, 7.3, 13.1, and 14.14 shall survive.

Section 4.2. ***Application of Trust Money.***

All monies deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 4.1 shall be held in trust for the person entitled to it and applied by the Trustee in accordance with the Securities and this Indenture, including the Priority of Payments, to the payment of principal and interest, either directly or through any Paying Agent, as the Trustee may determine. The money shall be held in a segregated non-interest bearing trust account identified as being held in trust for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

Section 4.3. ***Repayment of Monies Held by Paying Agent.***

In connection with the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture with respect to the Securities, all monies then held by any Paying Agent other than the Trustee under this Indenture shall, upon demand of the Co-Issuers, be paid to the Trustee to be held and applied pursuant to Section 7.3 and in accordance with the Priority of Payments and thereupon the Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to the monies.

Section 4.4. ***Indenture to Remain in Effect for Class 2 Combination Securities.***

Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, this Indenture shall remain in effect after such time as the Notes and Preference Shares have been redeemed or paid in full if the Class 2 Bond forming part of the Class 2 Collateral has not matured or has not been distributed in-kind to the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities. During such time as the Indenture shall remain in effect, the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities shall only be entitled to payments described in Section 11.2 and, subject to this Article 4, after such payments have been made in full, this Indenture shall be discharged.

ARTICLE 5

REMEDIES

Section 5.1. ***Events of Default.***

"**Event of Default**," wherever used in this Indenture, means any one of the following events whatever the reason:

(a) a default for four Business Days in the payment of any interest on any Class of Notes that is currently part of the Controlling Class when it becomes payable (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, any Paying Agent or the Indenture Registrar, after seven Business Days);

(b) a default in the payment of (x) principal (including Deferred Interest) of any Note, when the same becomes payable, at its Stated Maturity or on the Redemption Date or (y) any distribution in respect of the Class 2 Component when amounts are available therefore in the Class 2 Component Account under Section 11.2 (or, in the case of a default in payment or distribution due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, any Paying Agent or the Indenture Registrar, such default has continued for three Business Days);

(c) the failure on any Payment Date to disburse amounts available in the Payment Account in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the failure continues for three Business Days (or in the case of a failure to disburse such amounts due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, any Paying Agent or the Indenture Registrar, after six Business Days);

(d) on any Measurement Date for so long as any Class A-1 Notes or Class A-2 Notes are Outstanding, the Aggregate Principal Balance is less than 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes;

(e) either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral becomes an investment company under the 1940 Act;

(f) breach of any other covenant or other agreement of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture (other than any failure to satisfy any of the Collateral Quality Tests, any of the Concentration Limitations, any of the Coverage Tests, the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test, or other covenants or agreements for which a specific remedy has been provided in this Section 5.1) in any material respect, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant thereto, or in connection therewith, to be correct in any material respect when made, and the breach or failure continues for 30 days after either of the Co-Issuers has actual knowledge of it or after notice to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, and the Portfolio Manager by the Trustee or to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class by registered or certified mail or overnight courier specifying the breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that the notice is a "Notice of Default" under this Indenture;

(g) the entry of a decree or order by a court having competent jurisdiction adjudging the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, or composition of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, and if the decree or order remains unstayed and in effect for 45 consecutive days;

(h) the institution by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of Proceedings to have the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as the case may be, adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings against the Issuer or Co-Issuer, or the filing by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Bankruptcy Law or any other similar applicable law, or the consent by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or the taking of any action by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in furtherance of any such action; or

(i) one or more final judgments is rendered against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer that exceed in the aggregate U.S.\$2,000,000 (or any lesser amount specified by Moody's) and that remain unstayed, undischarged, and unsatisfied for 30 days after the judgments become nonappealable, unless adequate funds have been reserved or set aside for their payment, and unless (except as otherwise specified in writing by Moody's) the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's is satisfied with respect thereon.

**Section 5.2. *Acceleration of Maturity; Rescission and Annulment.***

(a) If an Event of Default is continuing (other than (i) an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h) or (ii) an Event of Default with respect to the Class 2 Component under Section 5.1(b)(y)), the Trustee may, with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, and upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall, declare the principal of all the Notes to be immediately payable by notice to the Applicable Issuers, and upon that declaration the unpaid

principal of all the Notes, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), and other amounts payable under this Indenture, shall become immediately payable. The Reinvestment Period shall terminate upon a declaration of acceleration (subject to re-commencement pursuant to Section 5.2(b)(y)). If an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h) occurs, all unpaid principal, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), of all the Notes, and other amounts payable under this Indenture, shall automatically become payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any Noteholder and the Reinvestment Period shall terminate automatically (subject to re-commencement pursuant to Section 5.2(b)). If an Event of Default occurs with respect to the Class 2 Component under Section 5.1(b), a Majority of the Class 2 Combination Securities may declare the Class 2 Component immediately payable by notice to the Issuer and the Trustee and, upon receipt of such notice, the Trustee shall effect a distribution in kind of a *pro rata* share (based on the Class 2 Combination Security Rated Balance) of each item of the Class 2 Collateral to the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities.

(b) At any time after the declaration of acceleration of maturity has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class (or a Majority of the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities solely in respect of the acceleration of the Class 2 Component by the Majority of the Class 2 Combination Securities) by written notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may rescind the declaration and its consequences:

(i) The Issuer or the Co-Issuer has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:

(A) all unpaid installments of interest and principal on the Notes then due or, in the case of acceleration of the Class 2 Component by the Majority of the Class 2 Combination Securities, all distributions with respect to the Class 2 Component under Section 11.2 (other than as a result of the acceleration);

(B) to the extent that payment of the interest is lawful, interest on any Deferred Interest and Defaulted Interest at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable;

(C) all Administrative Expenses of the Co-Issuers and other sums paid or advanced by the Trustee under this Indenture;

(D) all unpaid Senior Management Fees;

(E) all amounts then payable to any Hedge Counterparty; and

(ii) The Trustee has determined that all Events of Default, other than the non-payment of the interest on or principal of the Notes or, in the case of acceleration of the Class 2 Component by the Majority of the Class 2 Combination Securities, nonpayment of distributions with respect to the Class 2 Component under Section 11.2 that may have become due solely by acceleration, have been (A) cured, and a Majority of the Controlling Class (or a Majority of the Class 2 Combination Securities solely in respect of the acceleration of the Class 2 Component) by written notice to the Trustee has agreed with that determination, or (B) waived as provided in Section 5.14.

No such rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right consequent thereon. The Issuer shall not terminate any Hedge Agreement at any time after a declaration of acceleration of Maturity of the Notes or the Class 2 Combination Securities has been made, unless such declaration and its consequences

may no longer be rescinded and annulled in accordance with this Section 5.2(b) and liquidation of the Collateral has begun.

If a declaration of acceleration is rescinded as described above:

(x) the Reinvestment Period, if terminated by the declaration, shall re-commence on the date of the rescission (unless the Reinvestment Period would have otherwise terminated before that date pursuant to clauses (i), (ii), or (iii) of its definition); and

(y) the Trustee shall preserve the Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral in accordance with this Indenture. If the preservation of the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral is rescinded pursuant to Section 5.5, the Notes and the Class 2 Component may again be accelerated pursuant to Section 5.2(a), notwithstanding any previous rescission of a declaration of acceleration pursuant to this Section 5.2(b)).

No rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right resulting from the Default.

(c) Notwithstanding anything in this Section 5.2 to the contrary, the Notes will not be subject to acceleration by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class, or any other Holders solely as a result of the failure to pay any amount due on Notes that are not of the Controlling Class.

### Section 5.3. *Collection of Indebtedness and Suits for Enforcement by Trustee.*

The Applicable Issuers covenant that if a default occurs in the payment of any principal of or interest when payable on any Note or distribution on the Class 2 Component, upon demand of the Trustee or the Holder of any affected Note or Class 2 Combination Security, the Applicable Issuers shall pay to the Trustee, for the benefit of such Holder of the Note or the Class 2 Combination Security, the whole amount then payable on the Note or the Class 2 Component for principal and interest with interest on the overdue principal and, to the extent that payments of the interest shall be legally enforceable, on overdue installments of interest and all other amounts owing to the Holders of such Securities under this Indenture, at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable, and, in addition, an amount sufficient to cover the costs and expenses of collection, including the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements, and advances of the Trustee and the Holders and their agents and counsel.

If the Issuer or the Co-Issuer fails to pay those amounts immediately on demand, the Trustee, in its own name and as Trustee of an express trust, may, and shall at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, institute a Proceeding for the collection of the sums due, may prosecute the Proceeding to judgment or final decree, and may enforce the same against the Applicable Issuers or any other obligor on the Notes or the Class 2 Component and collect the monies determined to be payable in the manner provided by law out of the Collateral or Class 2 Collateral, as applicable.

If an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee may, and shall upon written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, proceed to protect and enforce its rights and the rights of the Holders of the Securities by any appropriate Proceedings as is deemed most effective (if no direction is received by the Trustee) or as the Trustee may be directed by a Majority of the Controlling Class, to protect and enforce the rights of the Trustee and the Holders of the Securities, whether for the specific enforcement of any agreement in this Indenture or in aid of the exercise of any power granted in this Indenture, or to enforce any other proper remedy or legal or equitable right vested in the Trustee by this Indenture or by law. The reasonable compensation, costs, expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or paid by the Trustee and its agents and counsel, in connection with such Proceeding, including, without limitation, the exercise of any remedies pursuant to Section 5.4, shall be reimbursed to the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.7.

If any Proceedings are pending relating to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any other obligor on the Notes or the Class 2 Component under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, or other similar law, or if a receiver, assignee, or trustee in bankruptcy or reorganization, liquidator, sequestrator, or similar official has been appointed for or taken possession of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or their respective property or any other obligor on the Notes or the Class 2 Component or its property, or if any other comparable Proceedings are pending relating to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or other obligor on the Notes or the Class 2 Component, or the creditors or property of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or other obligor on the Notes or the Class 2 Component, the Trustee, regardless of whether the principal of any Notes or distributions on the Class 2 Component is then payable by declaration or otherwise and regardless of whether the Trustee has made any demand pursuant to this Section 5.3, may, by intervention in the Proceedings or otherwise:

(a) file and prove claims for the whole amount of principal and interest owing and unpaid in respect of the Notes and the Class 2 Component, and file any other papers or documents appropriate and take any other appropriate action (including sitting on a committee of creditors) to have the claims of the Trustee (including any claim for reasonable compensation to the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, and their respective agents, attorneys, and counsel, and for reimbursement of all expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, except as a result of negligence or bad faith) and of the Holders of the Securities allowed in any Proceedings relating to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or other obligor on the Notes or the Class 2 Component or to the creditors or property of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or other obligor on the Notes of the Class 2 Component;

(b) unless prohibited by applicable law, vote on behalf of the Holders of the Securities in any election of a trustee or a standby trustee in arrangement, reorganization, liquidation, or other bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings or person performing similar functions in comparable Proceedings; and

(c) collect and receive any monies or other property payable to or deliverable on any such claims, and distribute all amounts received with respect to the claims of the Holders of the Securities and of the Trustee on their behalf; and any trustee, receiver or liquidator, custodian, or other similar official is authorized by each of the Holders of the Securities to make payments to the Trustee, and, if the Trustee consents to making payments directly to the Holders of the Securities, to pay to the Trustee amounts sufficient to cover reasonable compensation to the Trustee, each predecessor Trustee, and their respective agents, attorneys, and counsel, and all other reasonable expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee except as a result of negligence or bad faith.

Nothing in this Indenture shall authorize the Trustee to authorize or consent to or vote for or accept or adopt on behalf of the Holder of any Security, any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, or composition affecting the Notes or any Holder of Securities, or to authorize the Trustee to vote on the claim of the Holder of any Security in any Proceeding except, as aforesaid, to vote for the election of a trustee in bankruptcy or similar person.

Notwithstanding anything in this Section 5.3 to the contrary, the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral or institute Proceedings in furtherance of the sale or liquidation of the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral pursuant to this Section 5.3 except according to Section 5.5(a).

#### Section 5.4. *Remedies.*

(a) If an Event of Default is continuing, and the Notes have been declared payable and the declaration and its consequences have not been rescinded, or at any time after the Stated Maturity, the Co-Issuers agree that the Trustee may, and shall, upon written direction of a Majority of the

Controlling Class, to the extent permitted by applicable law, exercise one or more of the following rights:

- (i) institute Proceedings for the collection of all amounts then payable on the Notes or otherwise payable under this Indenture, whether by declaration or otherwise, enforce any judgment obtained, and collect from the Collateral any monies adjudged due;
- (ii) sell or liquidate all or a portion of the Collateral or interests in it, at one or more public or private sales called and conducted in any manner permitted by law and in accordance with Section 5.17;
- (iii) institute Proceedings from time to time for the complete or partial foreclosure of this Indenture with respect to the Collateral;
- (iv) exercise any remedies of a secured party under the UCC and take any other appropriate action to protect and enforce the rights of the Trustee and the Holders of the Notes under this Indenture; and
- (v) exercise any other rights that may be available at law or in equity;

*except* that the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Collateral or institute Proceedings in furtherance of the sale or liquidation of the Collateral pursuant to this Section 5.4 except according to Section 5.5(a).

(b) If an Event of Default is continuing, and the Class 2 Component has been declared payable and the declaration and its consequences have not been rescinded, or at any time after the Stated Maturity, the Co-Issuers agree that the Trustee may, and shall, upon written direction of a Majority of the Class 2 Combination Securities, to the extent permitted by applicable law, exercise one or more of the following rights:

- (i) institute Proceedings for the collection of all amounts then payable on the Class 2 Component or otherwise payable under this Indenture, whether by declaration or otherwise, enforce any judgment obtained, and collect from the Class 2 Collateral any monies adjudged due;
- (ii) sell or liquidate all or a portion of the Class 2 Collateral or interests in it, at one or more public or private sales called and conducted in any manner permitted by law and in accordance with Section 5.17;
- (iii) institute Proceedings from time to time for the complete or partial foreclosure of this Indenture with respect to the Class 2 Collateral;
- (iv) exercise any remedies of a secured party under the UCC and take any other appropriate action to protect and enforce the rights of the Trustee and the Holders of the Securities under this Indenture; and
- (v) exercise any other rights that may be available at law or in equity;

*except* that the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Class 2 Collateral or institute Proceedings in furtherance of the sale or liquidation of the Class 2 Collateral pursuant to this Section 5.4 except according to Section 5.5(a).

(c) If an Event of Default as described in Section 5.1(f) is continuing the Trustee may, with the consent of, and shall, at the direction of, the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, institute a Proceeding solely to compel performance of the covenant or agreement or to cure the representation or warranty, the breach of which gave rise to



the Event of Default under Section 5.1(f), and enforce any equitable decree or order arising from the Proceeding.

(d) Upon any sale, whether made under the power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, any Holders or the Portfolio Manager (subject to the Management Agreement) may bid for and purchase any part of the Collateral and, upon compliance with the terms of sale, may hold, retain, possess, or dispose of the Collateral in its or their own absolute right without accountability.

Upon any sale, whether made under the power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, the receipt of the Trustee, or of the Officer making a sale under judicial Proceedings, shall be a sufficient discharge to the purchasers at any sale for their purchase money, and the purchasers shall not be obliged to see to its application.

Any sale, whether under any power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, shall bind the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, and the Holders of the Securities, shall operate to divest all interest whatsoever, either at law or in equity, of each of them in the property sold, and shall be a perpetual bar, both at law and in equity, against each of them and their successors and assigns, and against all persons claiming through or under them.

(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, none of the Secured Parties may, before the date that is one year and one day (or if longer, any applicable preference period plus one day) after the payment in full of all Securities, institute against, or join any other person in instituting against, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium, or liquidation Proceedings, or other Proceedings under the Bankruptcy Law or any similar laws in any jurisdiction. Nothing in this Section 5.4 shall preclude the Trustee or any Secured Party (i) from taking any action before the expiration of that period in (A) any case or Proceeding voluntarily filed or commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or (B) any involuntary insolvency Proceeding filed or commenced by a person other than a Secured Party, or (ii) from commencing against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any of its properties any legal action that is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium, or liquidation Proceeding.

#### Section 5.5. ***Optional Preservation of Collateral.***

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Indenture, if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Trustee shall retain the Class 2 Collateral intact, collect, and cause the collection of the proceeds of the Class 2 Collateral and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Class 2 Collateral and the Class 2 Components in accordance with Section 11.2 and Article 10 and shall not sell the Class 2 Collateral in any circumstances unless so directed by all of the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities, in which case the Trustee shall sell the Class 2 Collateral to the buyer identified by such Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Indenture, if an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall retain the Collateral intact, collect, and cause the collection of the proceeds of the Collateral and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Collateral and the Notes, and any Hedge Agreements (other than amounts received under a Hedge Agreement that are used in putting a Replacement Hedge in place), in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Article 10 and Article 12 unless:

(i) the Trustee determines that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination

payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) of Section 11.1(a)(i) and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination; or

(ii) either (x) the Holders of a Majority of each of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes or (y) (A) in the event the Aggregate Principal Balance is less than 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes or (B) there has been an Event of Default pursuant to clause (a) of the definition thereof with respect to the payment of interest on any Class of Notes that is part of the Controlling Class, a Super Majority of the Holders of the Controlling Class direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral.

The Trustee shall give written notice of the retention of the Collateral to the Issuer with a copy to the Co-Issuer and the Portfolio Manager. So long as the Event of Default is continuing, any retention pursuant to this Section 5.5(a) may be rescinded at any time when the conditions specified in clause (i) or (ii) exist.

(b) Nothing contained in Section 5.5(a) shall be construed to require the Trustee to sell the Collateral if the conditions in clause (i) or (ii) of Section 5.5(a) are not satisfied. Nothing contained in Section 5.5(a) shall be construed to require the Trustee to preserve the Collateral if prohibited by applicable law.

(c) In determining whether the condition specified in Section 5.5(a)(i) exists, the Trustee shall obtain bid prices with respect to each security contained in the Collateral from two nationally recognized dealers (or if there is only one market maker, that market maker and if there is no market maker, from a pricing service), at the time making a market in those securities, and shall compute the anticipated proceeds of sale or liquidation on the basis of the lower of the bid prices for each security. In addition, for the purposes of determining issues relating to the valuation of the Collateral, the satisfaction of the conditions specified in this Indenture, the execution of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral, and the execution of a sale or other liquidation of the Collateral in connection with a determination whether the condition specified in Section 5.5(a)(i) exists, the Trustee may retain, at the Issuer's expense, and rely on an opinion of an Independent investment banking firm of national reputation, which may be the Placement Agent.

The Trustee shall deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holders of the Securities, the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager and the Hedge Counterparties a report stating the results of any determination required pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i). The Trustee shall make the determinations required by Section 5.5(a)(i) after an Event of Default at the request of a Majority of the Controlling Class at any time during which the Trustee retains the Collateral pursuant to Section 5.5(a). The Trustee shall obtain (at the Issuer's expense) a letter of a firm of Independent certified public accountants confirming the accuracy of the calculation made by the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) and certifying its conformity to the requirements of this Indenture.

(d) Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, the Trustee may not, and the Holders of the Notes representing the requisite percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes specified in Section 5.4 or 5.5, may not instruct the Trustee to sell or liquidate or (except in connection with the concurrent execution of a Replacement Hedge) terminate any Hedge Agreement during the continuance of an Event of Default until all Collateral other than the Hedge Agreements has been sold or liquidated and its proceeds applied in accordance with this Indenture.

(e) Collateral may not be sold or liquidated pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) after the last date on which the sale or liquidation is permitted under Section 5.5(a)(i) with respect to a determination made pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) (the last permitted date being determined by the Trustee under Section

5.5(a)(i)), unless a new determination is made in accordance with Section 5.5(a)(i) and the Collateral is sold or liquidated before the last sale date permitted in accordance with the new determination.

Section 5.6. ***Trustee May Enforce Claims Without Possession of Securities.***

All rights of action and claims under this Indenture or under any of the Securities may be prosecuted and enforced by the Trustee without the possession of any of the Securities or their production in any trial or other Proceeding relating to them, and any Proceeding instituted by the Trustee shall be brought in its own name as trustee of an express trust, and any recovery of judgment shall be applied as provided in Section 5.7.

In any Proceedings brought by the Trustee (and any Proceedings involving the interpretation of any provision of this Indenture to which the Trustee shall be a party) the Trustee shall be held to represent all the Holders of the Securities.

Section 5.7. ***Application of Money Collected.***

Any money collected by the Trustee with respect to the Notes pursuant to this Article 5 and any money that may then be held or subsequently received by the Trustee with respect to the Notes under this Indenture shall be applied, subject to Section 13.1 and in accordance with Section 11.1, at the dates fixed by the Trustee.

Any money collected by the Trustee with respect to the Class 2 Component pursuant to this Article 5 and any money that may then be held or subsequently received by the Trustee with respect to the Class 2 Component under this Indenture shall be applied in accordance with Section 11.2 at the dates fixed by the Trustee.

Section 5.8. ***Limitation on Suits.***

No Holder of any Note or Class 2 Combination Security shall have any right to institute any Proceedings, judicial or otherwise, with respect to this Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy under this Indenture, unless:

- (a) the Holder has previously given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default;
- (b) the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class or, in the case of acceleration of the Class 2 Component by the Majority of the Class 2 Combination Securities, of the Class 2 Combination Securities, shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute Proceedings with respect to the Event of Default in its own name as Trustee under this Indenture and the Holders have offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with the request;
- (c) the Trustee for 30 days after its receipt of the notice, request, and offer of indemnity has failed to institute a Proceeding; and
- (d) no direction inconsistent with the written request has been given to the Trustee during the 30 day period by a Majority of the Controlling Class or, in the case of acceleration of the Class 2 Component by the Majority of the Class 2 Combination Securities, of the Class 2 Combination Securities.

No one or more Holders of Securities have any right in any manner whatever by virtue of, or by availing of, any provision of this Indenture to affect the rights of any other Holders of Securities of the same Class or to obtain or to seek to obtain priority or preference over any other Holders of the Securities of the same Class or to enforce any right under this Indenture, except in the manner provided in this Indenture and for

the equal and ratable benefit of all the Holders of Securities of the same Class subject to and in accordance with Section 13.1 and the Priority of Payments or Section 11.2, as the case may be.

If the Trustee receives conflicting or inconsistent requests and indemnity from two or more groups of Holders of the Controlling Class, each representing less than a Majority of the Controlling Class, the Trustee shall take the action requested by the Holders of the largest percentage in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, notwithstanding any other provisions of this Indenture.

**Section 5.9. *Unconditional Rights of Holders of Notes.***

Notwithstanding any provision of this Indenture other than this Section 5.9 and Sections 2.8(i), 5.4(d), and 13.1, the Holder of any Note and a Holder of the Class 2 Combination Securities shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive payment of the principal of and interest on such Note or the Class 2 Component, as the case may be, as it comes due in accordance with the Priority of Payments or Section 11.2, as the case may be, and Section 13.1, and, subject to Section 5.8, to institute proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment, and that right shall not be impaired without the consent of the Holder. Holders of Notes ranking junior to Notes still Outstanding may not institute proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment until no Note ranking senior to their Note remains Outstanding, subject to Section 5.8, and shall not be impaired without the consent of any such Holder. For so long as any Notes are Outstanding, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be entitled to any payment of any amount for payments to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Shares Documents, to the extent legally permitted, on a claim against the Issuer unless there are sufficient funds to pay such amounts to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

**Section 5.10. *Restoration of Rights and Remedies.***

If the Trustee or the Holder of any Security has instituted any Proceeding to enforce any right under this Indenture and the Proceeding has been discontinued or abandoned for any reason, or has been determined adversely to the Trustee or to the Holder, then, subject to any determination in the Proceeding, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Holder shall be restored to their former positions under this Indenture, and thereafter all rights of the Trustee and the Holder shall continue as though no Proceeding had been instituted.

**Section 5.11. *Rights and Remedies Cumulative.***

No right in this Indenture conferred on or reserved to the Trustee or to the Holders of Securities is intended to be exclusive of any other right, and every right shall, to the extent permitted by law, be cumulative and in addition to every other right given under this Indenture or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or otherwise. The assertion or employment of any right under this Indenture, or otherwise, shall not prevent the concurrent assertion or employment of any other appropriate right.

**Section 5.12. *Delay or Omission Not Waiver.***

No delay or omission of the Trustee or the Holder of any Security to exercise any right accruing upon any Event of Default shall impair the right or be a waiver of the Event of Default or an acquiescence in it or of a subsequent Event of Default. Every right given by this Article 5 or by law to the Trustee or to the Holders of Securities may be exercised from time to time, and as often as deemed expedient, by the Trustee or by the applicable Holders.

**Section 5.13. *Control by Majority of the Controlling Class.***

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, during the continuance of an Event of Default, a Majority of the Controlling Class, with respect to the Notes, or 100% of the Class 2 Combination Securities, with respect to the acceleration of the Class 2 Component by the Majority of

the Class 2 Combination Securities, may institute and direct the time, method, and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any right of the Trustee with respect to the Notes or the Class 2 Components if:

(i) the direction does not conflict with any rule of law or with any express provision of this Indenture; and

(ii) the Trustee has been indemnified to its reasonable satisfaction (and the Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability unless it has received such indemnity against the liability).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, only a Majority of the Controlling Class may direct proceedings with respect to remedies specified in Section 5.4(a) or otherwise with respect to the Collateral and only a Majority of the Class 2 Combination Securities may direct proceedings with respect to remedies specified in Section 5.4(b) or otherwise with respect to the Class 2 Collateral.

(b) The Trustee may take any other action deemed proper by the Trustee that is not inconsistent with a direction under Section 5.13(a). Subject to Section 6.1, the Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability (unless the Trustee has received an indemnity against the liabilities reasonably satisfactory to it) and during the continuance of an Event of Default that has not been cured, or waived, the Trustee shall, before receiving directions from a Majority of the Controlling Class or 100% of the Class 2 Combination Securities, as the case may be, exercise the rights expressly vested in it by this Indenture and use the same degree of care and skill in their exercise with respect to the Event of Default as is required by Section 6.1(b).

(c) Any direction to the Trustee to undertake a Sale of the Collateral shall be in accordance with Section 5.4 or 5.5.

#### Section 5.14. ***Waiver of Past Defaults.***

Before a judgment or decree for payment of any money due has been obtained by the Trustee, as provided in this Article 5, a Majority of the Controlling Class may on behalf of the Holders of all the Notes, or the Holders of 100% of the Class 2 Combination Securities with respect to the acceleration of the Class 2 Component, waive any past Default and its consequences, except a Default:

(a) in the payment of the principal or Redemption Price of any Note or any distribution owing in respect of the Class 2 Component, as the case may be, or in the payment of interest (including Defaulted Interest, Deferred Interest, and any interest on Defaulted Interest or Deferred Interest) on the Notes;

(b) with respect to a provision of this Indenture that under Section 8.2 cannot be modified or amended without the waiver or consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected by the modification or amendment;

(c) in the payment of amounts due to the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee or the Hedge Counterparty, which may only be waived with the consent of the affected party; or

(d) arising as a result of an Event of Default described in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h).

Upon any such waiver, the Default shall cease to exist, and any Event of Default arising from it shall be cured, for every purpose of this Indenture, but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other Default or impair any right consequent thereto. The Trustee shall promptly give written notice of any such

waiver to the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Holder of Notes.

Section 5.15. ***Undertaking for Costs.***

All parties to this Indenture agree, and each Holder of any Security by its acceptance of its Security agrees, that in any suit for the enforcement of any right under this Indenture, or in any suit against the Trustee or the Portfolio Manager for any action taken or omitted by it as Trustee or for any action taken or omitted by the Portfolio Manager, as applicable, any court may in its discretion require the filing by any party litigant in the suit of an undertaking to pay the costs of the suit, and that the court may in its discretion assess reasonable costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, against any party litigant in the suit, having due regard to the merits and good faith of the claims or defenses made by the party litigant. This Section 5.15 shall not apply to any suit instituted by the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, to any suit instituted by any Holder, or group of Holders, of Notes holding in the aggregate more than 10% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, or to any suit instituted by any Holder of Securities for the enforcement of the payment of the principal of or interest or distributions on, as the case may be any Security or any other amount payable under this Indenture after the applicable Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, after the applicable Redemption Date).

Section 5.16. ***Waiver of Stay or Extension Laws.***

To the extent that they may lawfully do so, the Co-Issuers covenant that they will not at any time insist on, or plead, or in any manner whatsoever claim or take the benefit or advantage of, any stay or extension law or any valuation, appraisal, redemption, or marshalling law or rights, in each case wherever enacted, now or at any time hereafter in force, that may affect the covenants, the performance of, or any remedies under this Indenture. To the extent that they may lawfully do so, the Co-Issuers expressly waive all benefit or advantage of any such law or rights, and covenant that they shall not delay or impede the execution of any power in this Indenture granted to the Trustee or the Holders of the Securities but will permit the execution of every power as though the law had not been enacted or rights created.

Section 5.17. ***Sale of Collateral.***

(a) The power to effect any sale (a "***Sale***") of any portion of the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral pursuant to Sections 5.4 and 5.5 shall not be exhausted by any one or more Sales as to any portion of the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral remaining unsold, but shall continue unimpaired until the entire Collateral or Class 2 Collateral is sold or all amounts secured by the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral have been paid. The Trustee may upon notice to the Holders of the Securities and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), and shall, at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class with respect to Collateral, and 100% of the Class 2 Combination Securities with respect to the Class 2 Component, from time to time postpone any Sale by public announcement made at the time and place of the Sale. The Trustee waives its rights to any amount fixed by law as compensation for any Sale. The Trustee may deduct the reasonable expenses incurred by it in connection with a Sale from its proceeds notwithstanding Section 6.7.

(b) The Trustee may bid for and acquire any portion of the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral in connection with a public Sale of the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral, and may pay all or part of the purchase price by crediting against amounts owing on the Notes (in the case of the Collateral) or the Class 2 Component (in the case of the Class 2 Collateral) or other amounts secured by the Collateral (in the case of the Notes) or the Class 2 Collateral (in the case of the Class 2 Combination Securities) all or part of the net proceeds of the Sale after deducting the reasonable expenses incurred by the Trustee in connection with the Sale notwithstanding Section 6.7. The Securities need not be produced to complete any Sale, or for the net proceeds of the Sale to be credited against amounts owing on the Notes (in the case of the Collateral) or the Class 2 Components (in the

case of the Class 2 Collateral). The Trustee may hold, lease, operate, manage, or otherwise deal with any property so acquired in any manner permitted by law in accordance with this Indenture.

(c) If any portion of the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral consists of securities issued without registration under the Securities Act ("Unregistered Securities"), the Trustee may seek an Opinion of Counsel, or, if no Opinion of Counsel can be obtained, seek a no action position from the Securities and Exchange Commission or any other relevant federal or state regulatory authorities, regarding the legality of a public or private Sale of the Unregistered Securities.

(d) The Trustee shall execute and deliver an appropriate instrument of transfer transferring its interest in any portion of the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral in connection with its Sale. In addition, the Trustee is irrevocably appointed the agent and attorney-in-fact of the Issuer to transfer its interest in any portion of the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral in connection with its Sale, and to take all action necessary to effect the Sale. No purchaser or transferee at a Sale shall be bound to ascertain the Trustee's authority, to inquire into the satisfaction of any conditions precedent, or see to the application of any monies.

Section 5.18. ***Action on the Notes.***

The Trustee's right to seek and recover judgment on the Notes, the Class 2 Component or under this Indenture shall not be affected by the seeking or obtaining of or application for any other relief under or with respect to this Indenture. Neither the lien of this Indenture nor any rights or remedies of the Trustee or the Holders of the Securities shall be impaired by the recovery of any judgment by the Trustee against the Issuer or by the levy of any execution under the judgment on any portion of the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral or on any of the assets of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

ARTICLE 6

THE TRUSTEE

Section 6.1. ***Certain Duties and Responsibilities.***

(a) Except during the continuance of an Event of Default:

(i) the Trustee undertakes to perform the duties and only the duties specifically provided in this Indenture, and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Indenture against the Trustee; and

(ii) in the absence of bad faith on its part, the Trustee may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements and the correctness of the opinions expressed therein, on certificates or opinions furnished to the Trustee and conforming to the requirements of this Indenture; the Trustee shall examine any certificates or opinions that by any provision of this Indenture are specifically required to be furnished to the Trustee to determine whether or not they substantially conform on their face to the requirements of this Indenture and shall promptly notify the party delivering the same if the certificate or opinion does not conform. If a corrected form has not been delivered to the Trustee within 15 days after the notice from the Trustee, the Trustee shall so notify the Holders of the Securities and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares).

(b) If the Trustee has actual knowledge that an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall, before the receipt of directions from a Majority of the Controlling Class, exercise the rights and powers vested in it by this Indenture, and use the same degree of care and skill in its exercise, as a prudent person would use under the circumstances in the conduct of the person's own affairs.

(c) No provision of this Indenture shall be construed to relieve the Trustee from liability for its own negligent action, its own negligent failure to act, or its own willful misconduct, except that:

(i) this subsection shall not be construed to limit the effect of subsection (a) of this Section 6.1;

(ii) the Trustee shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by a Trust Officer, unless it is proven that the Trustee was negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts;

(iii) the Trustee shall not be liable with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in good faith in accordance with the direction of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or the Portfolio Manager in accordance with this Indenture or a Majority (or the other percentage required by this Indenture) of the Controlling Class (or other Class if required or permitted by this Indenture) or, with respect to the Class 2 Component, the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities relating to the time, method, and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred on the Trustee, under this Indenture; and

(iv) no provision of this Indenture shall require the Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any extraordinary financial liability in the performance of any of its duties under this Indenture, or in the exercise of any of its rights contemplated under this Indenture, if it has reasonable grounds for believing that repayment of the funds or indemnity satisfactory to it against the risk or liability is not reasonably assured to it; provided that the reasonable costs of performing its ordinary services under this Indenture shall not be deemed an "extraordinary financial liability" for purposes hereof.

(d) For all purposes under this Indenture, the Trustee shall not have notice or knowledge of any Event of Default described in Section 5.1(d) through 5.1(i) or any Default described in Section 5.1(e) through 5.1(i) unless a Trust Officer assigned to and working in the Corporate Trust Office has actual knowledge of it or unless written notice of any event that is in fact the an Event of Default or Default is received by the Trustee at the Corporate Trust Office, and the notice references the Notes or the Class 2 Component generally, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Collateral, the Class 2 Collateral or this Indenture. For purposes of determining the Trustee's responsibility and liability under this Indenture, whenever reference is made in this Indenture to an Event of Default or a Default, the reference shall be construed to refer only to an Event of Default or Default of which the Trustee has notice as described in this Section 6.1.

(e) Whether or not therein expressly so provided, every provision of this Indenture relating to the conduct or affecting the liability of or affording protection to the Trustee shall be subject to this Section 6.1 and Section 6.3.

#### Section 6.2. ***Notice of Default.***

Promptly (and in no event later than five Business Days) after the occurrence of any Default known to the Trustee or after any declaration of acceleration has been made or delivered to the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.2, the Trustee shall transmit notice of all Defaults under this Indenture known to the Trustee, unless the Default has been cured or waived, and of the declaration by mail to the Portfolio Manager and the Co-Issuers, each Rating Agency, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and to all Holders of Securities, as their names and addresses appear on the Indenture Register, the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange, for so long as any Class of Securities is listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee).



Section 6.3. *Certain Rights of Trustee.*

Except as otherwise provided in Section 6.1:

(a) the Trustee may rely and shall be protected in acting or refraining from acting on any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, note, or other paper or document (including but not limited to any reports prepared and delivered under Article 10) believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties;

(b) any request or direction of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer mentioned in this Indenture shall be sufficiently evidenced by an Issuer Request or Issuer Order;

(c) whenever in the administration of this Indenture the Trustee

(i) deems it desirable that a matter be proved or established before taking, suffering, or omitting any action under this Indenture, the Trustee may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely on an Officer's certificate (unless other evidence is specifically prescribed in this Indenture) or

(ii) is required to determine the value of, or any other matter with respect to, any Collateral or Class 2 Collateral or funds under this Indenture or the cash flows projected to be received therefrom, the Trustee may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely on reports of nationally recognized accountants, investment bankers, or other persons qualified to provide the information required to make the determination, including nationally recognized dealers in securities of the type being valued and securities quotation services;

(d) as a condition to taking or omitting to take any action under this Indenture, the Trustee may consult with counsel and the advice of the counsel or any Opinion of Counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection with respect to any action taken or omitted by it under this Indenture in good faith and in reliance thereon;

(e) the Trustee need not exercise any of the rights or powers vested in it by this Indenture at the request or direction of any of the Holders of the Securities pursuant to this Indenture, unless the Holders have offered to the Trustee security or indemnity satisfactory to it against the costs and liabilities that might reasonably be incurred by it in compliance with the request or direction;

(f) the Trustee need not make any investigation into the facts or matters stated in any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, note, or other paper or document, but the Trustee, in its discretion, may, and upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class or of a Rating Agency shall, make any the further inquiry or investigation into the facts or matters that it deems appropriate or as it is directed, and the Trustee shall be entitled, on reasonable prior notice to the Co-Issuers and the Portfolio Manager, to examine the books and records relating to the Securities, the Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral, personally or by agent or attorney, during the Co-Issuers' or the Portfolio Manager's normal business hours. The Trustee shall, and shall cause its agents to, hold in confidence all such information, except to the extent (i) disclosure may be required by law by any regulatory or administrative authority and (ii) that the Trustee, in its sole judgment, determines that disclosure is consistent with its obligations under this Indenture; provided, however, that the Trustee may disclose on a confidential basis any such information to its agents, attorneys and auditors in connection with the performance of its responsibilities hereunder;

(g) the Trustee may execute any of the trusts or powers under this Indenture or perform any duties under this Indenture either directly or by or through agents or attorneys, and the Trustee shall not

be responsible for any misconduct or negligence on the part of any non-Affiliated agent, or non-Affiliated attorney, appointed with due care by it under this Indenture;

(h) the Trustee shall not be liable for any action it takes or omits to take in good faith that it reasonably believes to be authorized or within its rights or powers under this Indenture;

(i) nothing in this Indenture shall be construed to impose an obligation on the Trustee to recalculate, evaluate, or verify any report, certificate, or information received from the Issuer or Portfolio Manager;

(j) the Trustee may request and receive (and rely on) instruction from the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, or the accountants identified in the Accountants' Certificate (and in the absence of its receipt of timely instruction from them, may obtain from an Independent accountant at the expense of the Issuer) as to the application of GAAP to the extent any defined term in this Indenture, or any calculation required to be made or determined by the Trustee under this Indenture, is dependent on or defined by reference to United States generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"), in any instance;

(k) the permissive rights of the Trustee to take or refrain from taking any actions enumerated in this Indenture are not duties;

(l) the Trustee is not responsible for the accuracy of the books and records of, or for any acts or omissions of, the Depository, any Transfer Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Custodian, Securities Intermediary, Collateral Administrator, Clearstream, Euroclear, Calculation Agent, or any Paying Agent (in each case, other than the Bank acting in that capacity);

(m) in making or disposing of any investment permitted by this Indenture, the Trustee is authorized to deal with itself (in its individual capacity) or with any one or more of its Affiliates, whether it or the Affiliate is acting as a subagent of the Trustee or for any third person or dealing as principal for its own account. If otherwise qualified, obligations of the Bank or any of its Affiliates shall qualify as Eligible Investments under this Indenture; and

(n) if the Bank is also acting in the capacity of Paying Agent, Transfer Agent, Custodian, Calculation Agent, or Securities Intermediary under this Indenture, the rights protections, immunities, and indemnities afforded to the Trustee pursuant to this Article 6 shall also be afforded to the Bank acting in those capacities.

**Section 6.4. *Not Responsible for Recitals or Issuance of Securities.***

The recitals contained in this Indenture and in the Securities, other than the Certificate of Authentication, shall be taken as the statements of the Applicable Issuers. The Trustee assumes no responsibility for their correctness. The Trustee makes no representation as to the validity or sufficiency of this Indenture (except as may be made with respect to the validity of the Trustee's obligations under this Indenture), the Collateral, the Class 2 Collateral or the Securities. The Trustee shall not be accountable for the use or application by the Co-Issuers of the Securities or their proceeds or any money paid to the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture.

**Section 6.5. *May Hold Securities.***

The Trustee, any Paying Agent, Indenture Registrar, or any other agent of the Co-Issuers, in its individual or any other capacity, may become the owner or pledgee of Securities and may otherwise deal with the Co-Issuers or any of their Affiliates with the same rights it would have if it were not Trustee, Paying Agent, Indenture Registrar, or other agent.

Section 6.6. ***Money Held in Trust.***

Money held by the Trustee under this Indenture shall be held in trust to the extent required in this Indenture. The Trustee shall be under no liability for interest on any money received by it under this Indenture except as otherwise agreed on with the Issuer and except to the extent of income or other gain on investments that are deposits in or certificates of deposit of the Bank in its commercial capacity and income or other gain actually received by the Trustee on Eligible Investments. Under no circumstances shall the Trustee be responsible for any losses on investments made in accordance with an Issuer Order or a written order or request by the Portfolio Manager, unless such investment is made in an obligation of the Trustee in its corporate capacity.

Section 6.7. ***Compensation and Reimbursement.***

(a) The Issuer agrees:

(i) to pay the Trustee on each Payment Date reasonable compensation for all services rendered by it under this Indenture in accordance with its letter agreement with the Trustee (which compensation shall not be limited by any provision of law in regard to the compensation of a trustee of an express trust);

(ii) except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture or in its letter agreement with the Trustee, to reimburse the Trustee in a timely manner upon its request for all reasonable expenses, disbursements, and advances incurred or made by the Trustee in accordance with this Indenture (including securities transaction charges and the reasonable compensation and expenses and disbursements of its agents and legal counsel and of any accounting firm or investment banking firm employed by the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.4, 5.5, 10.5, or 10.7, except any such expense, disbursement, or advance attributable to its negligence, willful misconduct, or bad faith) but with respect to securities transaction charges, only to the extent they have not been waived during a Due Period due to the Trustee's receipt of a payment from a financial institution with respect to certain Eligible Investments, as specified by the Portfolio Manager;

(iii) to indemnify the Trustee and its officers, directors, employees, and agents for any loss, liability, or expense incurred without negligence, willful misconduct, or bad faith on their part, arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of this trust, including the costs and expenses of defending themselves (including reasonable attorney's fees and costs) against any claim or liability in connection with the exercise or performance of any of their powers or duties under this Indenture; and

(iv) to pay the Trustee reasonable additional compensation together with its expenses (including reasonable counsel fees and costs) for any collection action taken pursuant to Section 6.13.

(b) The Trustee shall receive amounts pursuant to this Section 6.7 as provided in Sections 11.1(a)(i) and (ii) but only to the extent that funds are available for their payment. Subject to Section 6.9, the Trustee shall continue to serve as Trustee under this Indenture notwithstanding the fact that the Trustee has not received amounts due to it under this Indenture. No direction by the Holders of the Securities shall affect the right of the Trustee to collect amounts owed to it under this Indenture. If on any date when a fee is payable to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture insufficient funds are available for its payment any portion of a fee not so paid shall be deferred and payable on the next date on which a fee is payable and sufficient funds are available for it.

(c) The Trustee agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy for the non-payment to the Trustee of any amounts provided by this Section 6.7 until at least one year and one day, or if

longer the applicable preference period then in effect plus one day, after the payment in full of all Securities issued under this Indenture and the payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent of all amounts payable with respect to the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Nothing in this Section 6.7(c) shall prohibit or otherwise prevent the Trustee from filing proofs of claim in any bankruptcy, insolvency or similar proceeding.

**Section 6.8. *Corporate Trustee Required; Eligibility.***

There shall at all times be a Trustee under this Indenture that is an Independent entity organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America or of any state of the United States, authorized under those laws to exercise corporate trust powers, having a combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000, subject to supervision or examination by federal or state banking authority, having a rating of at least "Baa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) by Moody's and at least "BBB+" by S&P, and having an office within the United States. If the Trustee publishes reports of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or to the requirements of its supervising or examining authority, then for the purposes of this Section 6.8, the combined capital and surplus of the Trustee shall be its combined capital and surplus in its most recent published report of condition. If at any time the Trustee ceases to be eligible in accordance with this Section 6.8, it shall resign immediately in the manner and with the effect specified in Section 6.9.

**Section 6.9. *Resignation and Removal; Appointment of Successor.***

(a) No resignation or removal of the Trustee and no appointment of a successor Trustee pursuant to this Article 6 shall become effective until the acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee under Section 6.10. The indemnification in favor of the Trustee shall survive any resignation or removal of the Trustee.

(b) The Trustee may resign at any time by giving not less than 30 days written notice to the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager, the Holders of the Securities, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency. Upon receiving the notice of resignation, the Co-Issuers shall at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class promptly appoint a successor trustee satisfying the requirements of Section 6.8, by written instrument, in duplicate, executed by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer and an Authorized Officer of the Co-Issuer, one copy of which shall be delivered to the resigning Trustee and one copy to the successor Trustee, together with a copy to each Holder of Securities, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and the Portfolio Manager. If no successor Trustee has been appointed and an instrument of acceptance by a successor Trustee has not been delivered to the Trustee within 60 days after the giving of the notice of resignation, the resigning Trustee or any Holder of a Security, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee satisfying the requirements of Section 6.8.

(c) The Trustee may be removed (i) at any time (including, for the avoidance of doubt, when an Event of Default is continuing) by a Majority of the Controlling Class, or (ii) by order of a court of competent jurisdiction, delivered to the Trustee and to the Co-Issuers.

(d) If at any time:

(i) the Trustee ceases to be eligible under Section 6.8 and fails to resign after written request by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class; or

(ii) the Trustee becomes incapable of acting or is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent or a receiver or liquidator of the Trustee or of its property appointed or any public officer takes charge

or control of the Trustee or of its property or affairs for the purpose of rehabilitation, conservation, or liquidation,

then, in any such case (subject to Section 6.9(a)), (A) the Co-Issuers, by Issuer Order, may, and at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall, remove the Trustee, or (B) subject to Section 5.15, or any Holder may, on behalf of itself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(e) If the Trustee is removed or becomes incapable of acting, or if a vacancy occurs in the office of the Trustee for any reason (other than resignation), the Co-Issuers, by Issuer Order or at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, shall promptly appoint a successor Trustee. If the Co-Issuers fail to appoint a successor Trustee within 60 days after the removal or incapability or the occurrence of the vacancy, a successor Trustee may be appointed by a Majority of the Controlling Class by written instrument delivered to the Issuer and the retiring Trustee. The successor Trustee so appointed shall, upon its acceptance of its appointment, become the successor Trustee and supersede any successor Trustee proposed by the Co-Issuers. If no successor Trustee has been so appointed by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class and accepted appointment pursuant to Section 6.10, subject to Section 5.15, then the Trustee to be replaced, or any Holder, may, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(f) The Co-Issuers shall give prompt notice of each resignation and each removal of the Trustee and each appointment of a successor Trustee by mailing written notice of the event by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the Portfolio Manager, to each Rating Agency, to the Holders of Securities as their names and addresses appear in the Indenture Register and to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares). Each notice shall include the name of the successor Trustee and the address of its Corporate Trust Office. If the Co-Issuers fail to mail the notice within ten days after acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee, the successor Trustee shall cause the notice to be given at the expense of the Co-Issuers.

#### Section 6.10. ***Acceptance of Appointment by Successor.***

Every successor Trustee appointed under this Indenture shall execute, acknowledge, and deliver to the Co-Issuers and the retiring Trustee an instrument accepting its appointment. Upon delivery of the required instruments, the resignation or removal of the retiring Trustee shall become effective and the successor Trustee, without any further act, shall become vested with all the rights and obligations of the retiring Trustee; but, on request of the Co-Issuers or a Majority of any Class of Notes or the successor Trustee, the retiring Trustee shall, upon payment of any amounts then due to it, execute and deliver an instrument transferring to the successor Trustee all the rights and obligations of the retiring Trustee, and shall duly assign, transfer, and deliver to the successor Trustee all property and money held by the retiring Trustee under this Indenture. Upon request of any successor Trustee, the Co-Issuers shall execute any instruments to more fully and certainly vest in and confirm to the successor Trustee all the rights and obligations of the Trustee under this Indenture.

No successor Trustee shall accept its appointment unless at the time of its acceptance the successor is qualified and eligible under Section 6.8 and either (a) each Rating Agency has been notified and the successor has long-term debt rated within the four highest rating categories by each Rating Agency, or (b) if not rated within the four highest categories by each Rating Agency, the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto.

#### Section 6.11. ***Merger, Conversion, Consolidation, or Succession to Business of Trustee.***

Any entity into which the Trustee may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any entity resulting from any merger, conversion, or consolidation to which the Trustee is a party, or any

entity succeeding to all or substantially all of the corporate trust business of the Trustee, shall be the successor of the Trustee under this Indenture (and of the Bank under all of its other capacities under this Indenture, including as Custodian, Securities Intermediary, Indenture Registrar, and Paying Agent) without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto. If any of the Securities have been authenticated, but not delivered, by the Trustee then in office, any successor by merger, conversion, or consolidation to the authenticating Trustee may adopt the authentication and deliver the Securities so authenticated with the same effect as if the successor Trustee had itself authenticated the Securities.

Section 6.12. ***Co-Trustees.***

At any time, to meet the legal requirements of any jurisdiction in which any part of the Collateral may at the time be located, the Co-Issuers and the Trustee may appoint a co-trustee (subject to the approval of the Rating Agencies) to act jointly with the Trustee, with respect to all or any part of the Collateral, with the power to file proofs of claim and take any other actions pursuant to Section 5.6 in this Indenture and to make claims and enforce rights of action on behalf of the Holders of the Securities and the, as the Holders themselves have the right to do, subject to the other provisions of this Section 6.12.

The Co-Issuers shall join with the Trustee in the execution, delivery, and performance of all instruments and agreements necessary or proper to appoint a co-trustee. If the Co-Issuers do not join in the appointment within 15 days after they receive a request to do so, the Trustee may make the appointment.

Any instruments to more fully confirm a co-trustee's appointment shall, on request, be executed, acknowledged, and delivered by the Co-Issuers. The Co-Issuers agree to pay (but only from and to the extent of the Collateral), to the extent funds are available therefor under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1), any reasonable fees and expenses in connection with the appointment.

Every co-trustee shall, to the extent permitted by law, but to that extent only, be appointed subject to the following terms:

(a) the Securities shall be authenticated and delivered and all rights and obligations under this Indenture in respect of the custody of securities, cash, and other personal property held by, or required to be deposited or pledged with, the Trustee under this Indenture, shall be exercised solely by the Trustee;

(b) the rights and obligations conferred or imposed on the Trustee in respect of any property covered by the appointment of a co-trustee shall be conferred or imposed on and exercised or performed by the Trustee or by the Trustee and the co-trustee jointly as provided in the instrument appointing the co-trustee;

(c) the Trustee at any time, by an instrument in writing executed by it, with the concurrence of the Co-Issuers evidenced by an Issuer Order, may accept the resignation of or remove any co-trustee appointed under this Section 6.12, and if an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall have the power to accept the resignation of, or remove, any co-trustee without the concurrence of the Co-Issuers. A successor to any co-trustee so resigned or removed may be appointed in the manner provided in this Section 6.12;

(d) no co-trustee under this Indenture shall be personally liable because of any act or omission of the Trustee under this Indenture;

(e) the Trustee shall not be liable because of any act or omission of a co-trustee; and

(f) any Act of Holders of Securities delivered to the Trustee shall be deemed to have been delivered to each co-trustee.

Section 6.13. ***Certain Duties of Trustee Related to Delayed Payment of Proceeds.***

If in any month the Trustee has not received a payment with respect to any Pledged Obligation on its Due Date:

(a) the Trustee shall promptly notify the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager in writing, and

(b) unless the payment is received by the Trustee within three Business Days (or the end of the applicable grace period for the payment, if longer) after the notice, or unless the Issuer, in its absolute discretion (but only to the extent permitted by Section 10.2(a)), makes provision for the payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with Section 10.2(a),

the Trustee shall request the issuer of the Pledged Obligation, the trustee under the related Underlying Instrument, or paying agent designated by either of them to make the payment as soon as practicable after the request but in no event later than three Business Days after the date of the request. If the payment is not made within that time period, the Trustee, subject to clause (iv) of Section 6.1(c), shall take the action directed by the Portfolio Manager in writing. Any such action shall be without prejudice to any right to claim a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture. If the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager requests a release of a Pledged Obligation or delivers a Collateral Obligation in connection with any such action under the Management Agreement, the release or substitution shall be subject to Section 10.6 and Article 12. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the Trustee shall deliver to the Issuer or its designee any payment with respect to any Pledged Obligation or any Collateral Obligation received after its Due Date to the extent the Issuer previously made provisions for the payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with this Section 6.13 and the payment shall not be part of the Collateral.

Section 6.14. ***Authenticating Agents.***

Upon the request of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee shall, and if the Trustee so chooses the Trustee may, appoint one or more Authenticating Agents with power to act on its behalf and subject to its direction in the authentication of Securities in connection with issuance, transfers, and exchanges under Sections 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7 and 8.5, as fully to all intents and purposes as though each Authenticating Agent had been expressly authorized by those Sections to authenticate the Securities. For all purposes of this Indenture, the authentication of Securities by an Authenticating Agent pursuant to this Section 6.14 shall be the authentication of Securities "by the Trustee."

Any Authenticating Agent may at any time resign by giving written notice of resignation to the Trustee and the Issuer. The Trustee may at any time terminate the agency of any Authenticating Agent by giving written notice of termination to the Authenticating Agent and the Co-Issuers.

The Co-Issuers agree to pay to each Authenticating Agent from time to time reasonable compensation for its services, and reimbursement for its reasonable expenses relating to its services as an Administrative Expense; provided, however, that if the Trustee elects to appoint an Authenticating Agent without the approval or request of the Co-Issuers, then the Trustee shall pay such compensation and reimbursement. Sections 2.9, 6.4, and 6.5 shall be applicable to any Authenticating Agent.

Section 6.15. ***Fiduciary for Holders of Notes Only; Agent for Secured Parties.***

With respect to the security interest created under this Indenture, the delivery of any Pledged Obligation to the Trustee is to the Trustee as representative of the Holders of Notes or the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities, as the case may be, and agent for the other Secured Parties. In furtherance of the foregoing, the possession by the Trustee of any Pledged Obligation and the endorsement to or registration in the name of the Trustee of any Pledged Obligation (including as entitlement holder of the Custodial Account)

are all undertaken by the Trustee in its capacity as representative of the Holders of Notes or the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities, as the case may be, and agent for the other Secured Parties.

Section 6.16. ***Representations and Warranties of the Bank.***

The Bank represents and warrants as follows for the benefit of the Noteholders and the Combination Securityholders:

(a) *Organization.* The Bank has been duly organized and is validly existing as a national banking association and has the power to conduct its business and affairs as a trustee.

(b) *Authorization; Binding Obligations.* The Bank has the corporate power and authority to perform the duties and obligations of trustee under this Indenture. The Bank has taken all necessary corporate action to authorize the execution, delivery, and performance of this Indenture, and all of the documents required to be executed by the Bank pursuant to this Indenture. Upon execution and delivery by the Bank, this Indenture will be the valid and legally binding obligation of the Bank enforceable in accordance with its terms.

(c) *Eligibility.* The Bank is eligible under Section 6.8 to serve as Trustee under this Indenture.

Section 6.17. ***Additional Reporting Requirements.***

If the Placement Agent elects to enter into a posting dealer agreement pursuant to Section 7.20, upon the effectiveness of the posting dealer agreement, the Issuer shall provide to The Bond Market Association certain documents for posting in the Repository as mutually agreed between the Portfolio Manager and the Placement Agent.

ARTICLE 7

COVENANTS

Section 7.1. ***Payment of Principal and Interest.***

The Applicable Issuers shall pay the principal of and interest on the Securities in accordance with the Securities and this Indenture.

The Issuer shall, subject to the Priority of Payments, reimburse the Co-Issuer for any amounts paid by the Co-Issuer pursuant to the Securities or this Indenture. The Co-Issuer shall not reimburse the Issuer for any amounts paid by the Issuer pursuant to the Securities or this Indenture.

Amounts properly withheld under the Code or other applicable law by any person from a payment to any Holder shall be considered as having been paid by the applicable Issuers to the Holder for all purposes of this Indenture.

Section 7.2. ***Maintenance of Office or Agency.***

The Co-Issuers appoint the Trustee as a Paying Agent for the payment of principal of and interest on the Securities. The Co-Issuers appoint JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, 4 New York Plaza, Ground Floor, New York, NY 10004, Attn: Worldwide Securities Services Gleneagles CLO, Ltd., as the Co-Issuers' agent where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Securities or this Indenture may be served and where Securities may be surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.



The Co-Issuers may at any time and from time to time vary or terminate the appointment of any Paying Agent or appoint any additional agents for all of these purposes.

The Co-Issuers shall maintain in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, an office or agency where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Securities and this Indenture may be served and an office or agency outside of the United States where Securities may be presented and surrendered for payment.

No paying agent shall be appointed in a jurisdiction that subjects payments on the Notes to withholding tax.

If at any time the Co-Issuers fail to maintain any required office or agency in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, or outside the United States, or fail to furnish the Trustee with their addresses, notices and demands may be served on the Co-Issuers.

Section 7.3. ***Money for Note Payments to be Held in Trust.***

All payments of amounts payable with respect to any Securities that are to be made from amounts withdrawn from the Payment Account shall be made on behalf of the Applicable Issuers by the Trustee or a Paying Agent with respect to payments on the Securities.

When the Applicable Issuers have a Paying Agent that is not also the Indenture Registrar, they shall furnish no later than the fifth calendar day after each Record Date a list in the form the Paying Agent reasonably requests, of the names and addresses of the Holders and of the certificate numbers of individual Securities held by each Holder.

Whenever the Applicable Issuers have a Paying Agent other than the Trustee, they shall, on or before the Business Day before each Payment Date or Redemption Date direct the Trustee to deposit on the Payment Date with the Paying Agent an aggregate sum sufficient to pay the amounts then becoming due (to the extent funds are then available for that purpose in the Payment Account), that sum to be held in trust for the benefit of the persons entitled to it and (unless the Paying Agent is the Trustee) the Co-Issuers shall promptly notify the Trustee of its action or failure so to act. Any monies deposited with a Paying Agent (other than the Trustee) in excess of an amount sufficient to pay the amounts then becoming due on the Securities with respect to which the deposit was made shall be paid over by the Paying Agent to the Trustee for application in accordance with Article 10.

Additional or successor Paying Agents shall be appointed by Issuer Order with written notice of the appointment to the Trustee. So long as Securities of any Class are rated by a Rating Agency any Paying Agent must either have a long-term debt rating of "Aa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or higher by Moody's and "AA-" or higher by S&P or a short-term debt rating of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P or the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency must be satisfied with respect to its appointment. If a successor Paying Agent ceases to have a long-term debt rating of "Aa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or higher by Moody's and "AA-" or higher by S&P or a short-term debt rating of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) by Moody's and a short-term debt rating of "A-1+" by S&P, the Co-Issuers shall promptly remove the Paying Agent and appoint a successor Paying Agent. The Co-Issuers shall not appoint any Paying Agent that is not, at the time of the appointment, a depository institution or trust company subject to supervision and examination by federal or state or national banking authorities. The Co-Issuers shall cause each Paying Agent other than the Trustee to execute and deliver to the Trustee an instrument in which the Paying Agent agrees with the Trustee, subject to this Section 7.3, that the Paying Agent will:

- (i) allocate all sums received for payment to the Holders of Securities for which it acts as Paying Agent on each Payment Date and any Redemption Date among the Holders in the proportion specified in the applicable report to the extent permitted by applicable law;
- (ii) hold all sums held by it for the payment of amounts due with respect to the Securities in trust for the benefit of the persons entitled to them until they are paid or otherwise disposed of as provided in this Indenture;
- (iii) immediately resign as a Paying Agent and forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums held by it in trust for the payment of the Securities if at any time it ceases to meet the standards required to be met by a Paying Agent at the time of its appointment;
- (iv) immediately give the Trustee notice of any default by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer (or any other obligor on the Notes) in the making of any payment required to be made; and
- (v) during the continuance of any such default, upon the written request of the Trustee, forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums so held in trust by the Paying Agent.

To obtain the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture or for any other purpose, the Co-Issuers may at any time pay, or by Issuer Order direct any Paying Agent to pay, to the Trustee all sums held in trust by the Co-Issuers or the Paying Agent, and, upon the payment by any Paying Agent to the Trustee, the Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to the money paid.

Any money deposited with a Paying Agent and not previously returned that remains unclaimed for 20 Business Days shall be returned to the Trustee. Except as otherwise required by applicable law, any money deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for the payment of the principal of or interest on any Security and remaining unclaimed for two years after the principal or interest has become payable shall be paid to the Applicable Issuers. The Holder of the Security shall thereafter look only to the Applicable Issuers for payment of the amounts due to it as an unsecured general creditor and all liability of the Trustee or the Paying Agent with respect to that money (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Applicable Issuers) shall thereupon cease. The Trustee or the Paying Agent, before being required to release any payment, may, but shall not be required to, adopt and employ, at the expense of the Applicable Issuers any reasonable means of notification of the release of the payment, including mailing notice of the release to Holders whose Securities have been called but have not been surrendered for redemption or whose right to or interest in monies payable but not claimed is determinable from the records of any Paying Agent, at the last address of record of each Holder.

Section 7.4. ***Existence of Co-Issuers.***

(a) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall maintain in full force their existence and rights as companies incorporated or organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands and the State of Delaware, respectively, and shall obtain and preserve their qualification to do business as foreign corporations in each jurisdiction in which the qualifications are necessary to protect the validity and enforceability of this Indenture, the Securities, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Preference Shares, any of the Collateral or any of the Class 2 Collateral.

However, the Issuer may change its jurisdiction of incorporation from the Cayman Islands to any other jurisdiction reasonably selected by the Issuer so long as:

- (A) the Issuer has received a legal opinion (on which the Trustee may rely) to the effect that the change is not disadvantageous in any material respect to the Holders, the Portfolio Manager or any Hedge Counterparty,

(B) written notice of the change has been given by the Issuer to the Trustee, the Holders of the Securities, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares), the Portfolio Manager, any Hedge Counterparty and each Rating Agency, and

(C) on or before the 15th Business Day following its receipt of the notice the Trustee has not received written notice from a Majority of the Controlling Class objecting to the change.

The Issuer may take any action required by this Indenture within the United States notwithstanding any provision of this Indenture requiring the Issuer to take the action outside of the United States so long as before taking the action the Issuer receives a legal opinion from nationally recognized legal counsel to the effect that it is not necessary to take the action outside of the United States or any political subdivision of the United States to prevent the Issuer from becoming subject to any United States federal, state, or local withholding or other taxes.

(b) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall ensure that all corporate or other formalities regarding their respective existences (including holding regular board of directors' and shareholders', or other similar, meetings to the extent required by applicable law) are followed. Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall take any action, or conduct its affairs in a manner, that is likely to result in its separate existence being ignored or in its assets and liabilities being substantively consolidated with any other person in a bankruptcy, reorganization, or other insolvency proceeding. Without limiting the foregoing,

(i) the Issuer shall not have any subsidiaries other than the Co-Issuer,

(ii) the Co-Issuer shall not have any subsidiaries,

(iii) the Issuer shall maintain at all times at least one director who is Independent of the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, and any of their respective Affiliates,

(iv) the Issuer shall not commingle its funds with the funds of any other person, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture, and

(v) except to the extent contemplated in the Management Agreement, the Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the declaration of trust by the Share Trustee, the Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall not:

(A) have any employees (other than their respective directors),

(B) engage in any transaction with any shareholder that would be a conflict of interest (the entry into the Administration Agreement with the Administrator shall not be deemed a conflict of interest), or

(C) pay dividends in violation of this Indenture, the resolutions of its board of directors and the Preference Share Documents.

#### Section 7.5. ***Protection of Collateral.***

(a) The Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer will procure any action within the Portfolio Manager's control that is reasonably necessary to maintain the perfection and priority of the security interest of the Trustee in the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral. The Issuer from time to time shall execute and deliver any supplements and amendments to this Indenture and shall execute and deliver

any Financing Statements, continuation statements, instruments of further assurance, and other instruments and shall take any other action appropriate to secure the rights and remedies of the Secured Parties under this Indenture and to:

- (i) Grant more effectively all or any portion of the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral;
- (ii) maintain or preserve the lien (and its priority) of this Indenture or to carry out more effectively the purposes of this Indenture;
- (iii) perfect, publish notice of, or protect the validity of any Grant made by this Indenture (including any actions appropriate as a result of changes in law);
- (iv) enforce any of the Pledged Obligations or other instruments or property included in the Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral;
- (v) preserve and defend title to the Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral and the rights of the Secured Parties in the Collateral and of the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities in the Class 2 Collateral against the claims of anyone; and
- (vi) pay when due all taxes levied or assessed on any part of the Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral.

The Issuer designates the Portfolio Manager as its agent and attorney in fact to execute any Financing Statement, continuation statement, and all other instruments, and take all other actions, required pursuant to this Section 7.5.

The Issuer authorizes the filing without the Issuer's signature a financing statement that names the Issuer as "debtor" and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association as "secured party" (with or without indicating its capacity as Trustee hereunder) and that describes the Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral as "all assets of the debtor, whether now owned or hereafter acquired and wherever located."

(b) The Trustee shall not:

- (i) except in accordance with Section 10.6(a), (b), or (c), remove any portion of the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral that consists of Cash or is evidenced by an instrument, certificate, or other writing:
  - (A) from the jurisdiction in which it was held at the date the most recent Opinion of Counsel was delivered pursuant to Section 7.6 (or from the jurisdiction in which it was held as described in the Opinions of Counsel delivered at the Closing Date pursuant to Section 3.1(iii) if no Opinion of Counsel has yet been delivered pursuant to Section 7.6), or
  - (B) from the possession of the person who held it (other than the Bank), or
- (ii) cause or permit ownership or the pledge of any portion of the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral that consists of book-entry securities to be recorded on the books of a person (other than the Bank):
  - (A) located in a different jurisdiction from the jurisdiction in which the ownership or pledge was recorded, or
  - (B) other than the person on whose books the ownership or pledge was originally recorded, unless the Trustee shall have first received an Opinion of Counsel to the

effect that the lien and security interest created by this Indenture with respect to the property and its priority will continue to be maintained after giving effect to the change.

(c) Without at least 30 days' prior written notice to the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall not change its "location" (as defined in Section 9-307 of the UCC) or change its name from the name shown on the signature pages of this Indenture.

(d) The Issuer shall, subject to the Priority of Payments, enforce all of its material rights and remedies under the Management Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, each Hedge Agreement and each Securities Lending Agreement.

(e) The Issuer shall pay any taxes levied because any Pledged Obligations are owned by the Issuer.

(f) The Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer will either exercise the "put" option that prevents a Collateral Obligation from being a Long-Dated Collateral Obligation on the last available date before the Stated Maturity of the Securities or sell the Collateral Obligation for Sale Proceeds at least equal to the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation, in either case by the Stated Maturity of the Securities.

#### Section 7.6. *Opinions as to Collateral.*

On or before November 30, 2006 in each calendar year, commencing in 2006, the Issuer shall furnish to the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager and each Rating Agency an Opinion of Counsel from each relevant jurisdiction stating that, in the counsel's opinion, as of the date of the opinion, all actions necessary to maintain the lien and security interest created by this Indenture with respect to the Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral have been taken and that no further action (other than as specified in the opinion) needs to be taken for the continued effectiveness and perfection of the lien over the next year. The opinion may be subject to customary assumptions and qualifications.

#### Section 7.7. *Performance of Obligations.*

(a) The Co-Issuers, each as to itself, shall not take any action, and shall use their reasonable commercial efforts not to permit any action to be taken by others, that would release any person from any of the person's covenants or obligations under any instrument included in the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral, except in the case of enforcement action taken with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this Indenture and actions by the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement and in conformity with this Indenture or as otherwise required by this Indenture.

(b) The Applicable Issuers may, with the prior written consent of a Majority of each Class of Notes, a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding the Class 2 Combination Security Preference Share Component) and a Majority of the Class 2 Combination Securities (except in the case of the Management Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement as initially executed), contract with other persons (including the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, and the Collateral Administrator) for the performance of actions and obligations to be performed by the Applicable Issuers under this Indenture. Notwithstanding any such arrangement, the Applicable Issuers shall remain primarily liable for performance under this Indenture. The Applicable Issuers shall punctually perform, and use their reasonable commercial efforts to cause the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and any other person to perform, all of their obligations in the Management Agreement, this Indenture, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement or any other agreement.

Section 7.8. *Negative Covenants.*

(a) The Issuer shall not and, with respect to clauses (ii), (iii), (iv), (vi), (vii), (viii), (ix) and (x), the Co-Issuer shall not, in each case from and after the Closing Date:

(i) sell, transfer, assign, exchange, or otherwise dispose of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecate, or otherwise encumber (or permit or suffer the sale, transfer, assignment, exchange, or other disposition of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecation, or other encumbering of), any part of the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and the Management Agreement;

(ii) claim any credit on, make any deduction from, or, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable laws, dispute the enforceability of payment of the principal or interest (or any other amount) payable in respect of the Notes or the Class 2 Component (other than amounts withheld in accordance with the Code or any applicable laws of the Cayman Islands) or assert any claim against any present or future Holder of Securities because of the payment of any taxes levied or assessed on any part of the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral;

(iii) (A) incur or assume or guarantee any indebtedness, other than the Securities and this Indenture and the transactions contemplated by this Indenture (including, as contemplated hereby, entering into the Hedge Agreements and Securities Lending Agreements), or (B) issue any additional class of securities other than the Preference Shares issued on or before the Closing Date, except as otherwise permitted by the Preference Share Documents;

(iv) (A) permit the validity or effectiveness of this Indenture or any Grant under this Indenture to be impaired, or permit the lien of this Indenture to be amended, hypothecated, subordinated, terminated, or discharged, or permit any person to be released from any covenants or obligations with respect to this Indenture or the Securities, except as may be expressly permitted by this Indenture or by the Management Agreement, (B) permit any lien, charge, adverse claim, security interest, mortgage, or other encumbrance (other than the lien of this Indenture) to be created on or extend to or otherwise arise on or burden any part of the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral, any interest in it, or its proceeds of, or (C) take any action that would permit the lien of this Indenture not to be a valid first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral;

(v) amend the Management Agreement except pursuant to its terms and Section 15.1(f)(iv) or amend the Collateral Administration Agreement except pursuant to its terms unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the amendment or enter into any waiver in respect of any of the foregoing agreements without providing written notice to each Rating Agency and the Trustee (and, with respect to the Collateral Administration Agreement, without the consent of the Trustee);

(vi) to the extent permitted by applicable law, dissolve or liquidate in whole or in part, except as permitted under this Indenture;

(vii) pay any dividends or other distributions other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents;

(viii) conduct business under any name other than its own;

(ix) have any employees (other than directors and officers to the extent they are employees); or

(x) except for any Underlying Instrument and agreements involving the purchase or sale of Collateral Obligations having customary purchase or sale terms and documented with customary trading documentation (but not excepting any Synthetic Security or Hedge Agreement), enter into any agreement unless the agreement contains "non-petition" and "limited recourse" provisions and shall not amend such provisions without prior Rating Confirmation.

(b) Neither the Issuer nor the Trustee shall sell, transfer, exchange, or otherwise dispose of Collateral or Class 2 Collateral, or enter into an agreement or commitment to do so, or enter into or engage in any business with respect to any part of the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer, the Management Agreement.

(c) The Co-Issuer shall not invest any of its assets in "securities" as the term is defined in the 1940 Act, and shall keep all of its assets in Cash.

(d) Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall use the proceeds of the Securities to buy or carry Margin Stock.

Section 7.9. ***Notice of Default; Statement as to Compliance.***

(a) The Co-Issuers shall notify the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Rating Agencies, and each Hedge Counterparty within 10 days of acquiring actual knowledge of Default.

(b) On or before November 30, 2006 in each calendar year commencing in 2006 and prior to the issuance of any Additional Preference Shares, the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee (to be forwarded by the Trustee to the Portfolio Manager and each Holder of Securities making a written request therefor and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) and each Rating Agency) a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer that, to the best knowledge of the Issuer, no Default exists, and has not existed since the date of the last certificate or, if a Default does then exist or had existed, specifying the same and its nature and status, including actions undertaken to remedy it, and that the Issuer has complied with all of its obligations under this Indenture or, if that is not the case, specifying those obligations with which it has not complied.

Section 7.10. ***Co-Issuers May Consolidate, etc., Only on Certain Terms.***

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer (the "**Merging Entity**") shall consolidate or merge with or into any other person or transfer or convey all or substantially all of its assets to any person, unless permitted by Cayman Islands law (in the case of the Issuer) or United States and Delaware law (in the case of the Co-Issuer) and unless:

(a) the Merging Entity shall be the surviving corporation, or the person (if other than the Merging Entity) formed by the consolidation or into which the Merging Entity is merged or to which all or substantially all of the assets of the Merging Entity are transferred (the "**Successor Entity**"),

(i) if the Merging Entity is the Issuer, is a company organized and existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands or another jurisdiction approved by a Majority of the Controlling Class (except that no approval shall be required in connection with any such transaction undertaken solely to effect a change in the jurisdiction of incorporation pursuant to Section 7.4), and

(ii) in any case shall expressly assume, by an indenture supplemental to this Indenture, executed and delivered to the Trustee and each Noteholder and each Combination Securityholder, the due and punctual payment of all amounts on all Securities issued by the Merging Entity and the

performance and observance of every covenant of this Indenture on its part to be performed or observed, all as provided in this Indenture;

(b) each Rating Agency shall have been notified of the consolidation, merger, transfer, or conveyance and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the transaction;

(c) if the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall have agreed with the Trustee,

(i) to observe the same legal requirements for the recognition of the formed or surviving corporation as a legal entity separate and apart from any of its Affiliates as are applicable to the Merging Entity with respect to its Affiliates,

(ii) not to consolidate or merge with or into any other person or transfer or convey the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral or all or substantially all of its assets to any other person except in accordance with this Section 7.10; and

(iii) in any case shall expressly assume by an indenture supplemental to this Indenture, executed and delivered to the Trustee, each Noteholder, each Combination Securityholder and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the due and punctual payment of all amounts on all Securities issued by the Merging Entity and the performance and observance of every covenant of this Indenture on its part to be performed or observed, all as provided in this Indenture;

(d) if the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall have delivered to the Trustee and each Rating Agency an Officer's certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that it is duly organized, validly existing, and in good standing in the jurisdiction in which it is organized; that it has sufficient power and authority to assume the obligations in subsection (a) above and to execute and deliver an indenture supplemental to this Indenture for the purpose of assuming the obligations in subsection (a) above; that it has duly authorized the execution, delivery, and performance of an indenture supplemental to this Indenture for the purpose of assuming the obligations in subsection (a) above and that the supplemental indenture is its valid and legally binding obligation, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject only to bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium, and other laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally and to general principles of equity; if the Merging Entity is the Issuer, that, following the event that causes the Successor Entity to become the successor to the Issuer, (i) the Successor Entity has title, free of any lien, security interest, or charge, other than the lien and security interest of this Indenture, to the Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral, and (ii) the lien of this Indenture continues to be effective in the Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral; and in each case as to any other matters the Trustee or any Noteholder or Combination Securityholder reasonably requires;

(e) after giving effect to the transaction, no Default or Event of Default shall be continuing;

(f) the Merging Entity shall have notified each Rating Agency of the consolidation, merger, transfer, or conveyance and shall have delivered to the Trustee, each Noteholder, each Combination Securityholder and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) an Officer's certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that the consolidation, merger, transfer, or conveyance and the supplemental indenture comply with this Article 7 and that all conditions precedent in this Article 7 relating to the transaction have been complied with and that no adverse tax consequences will result therefrom to the Holders of the Securities or Preference Shares;



(g) the Merging Entity shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel stating that after giving effect to the transaction, neither of the Co-Issuers (or, if applicable, the Successor Entity) will be as an investment company under the 1940 Act; and

(h) after giving effect to the transaction, the outstanding stock of the Merging Entity (or, if applicable, the Successor Entity) will not be beneficially owned within the meaning of the 1940 Act by any U.S. Person.

**Section 7.11. *Successor Substituted.***

Upon any consolidation or merger, or transfer or conveyance of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, in accordance with Section 7.10 in which the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall succeed to, and be substituted for, and may exercise every right of, the Merging Entity under this Indenture with the same effect as if the person had been named as the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, in this Indenture. Upon any such consolidation, merger, transfer, or conveyance, the person named as the "Issuer" or the "Co-Issuer" in the first paragraph of this Indenture or any successor may be dissolved, wound up, and liquidated at any time thereafter, and the person thereafter shall be released from its liabilities as obligor and maker on all the Securities and from its obligations under this Indenture.

**Section 7.12. *No Other Business.***

(a) From and after the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not engage in any business or activity other than issuing and selling the Securities pursuant to this Indenture and the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents and acquiring, owning, holding, and pledging and selling Collateral Obligations and the other Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral in connection therewith, and shall not act as agent, negotiator or structurer with respect to any Collateral, act as a participant in negotiating terms of a primary loan agreement, enter into a binding commitment to purchase any Collateral prior to the issuance thereof or engage in any transaction or activity not permitted by Schedule 8 or which the Issuer knows would cause it to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States within the meaning of the Code or subject the Issuer's income to taxation on a net basis in any jurisdiction, and the Co-Issuer shall not engage in any business or activity other than issuing and selling the Notes to be issued by it pursuant to this Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, other activities appropriate to accomplish the foregoing or incidental thereto or connected therewith.

(b) In furtherance and not in limitation of clause (a) of this Section 7.12, the Issuer shall comply with all of the provisions set forth in Schedule 8, unless, with respect to a particular transaction, the Issuer and the Trustee shall have received an opinion or advice of tax counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters that, under the relevant facts and circumstances with respect to such transaction, the Issuer's failure to comply with one or more of such provisions will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States within the meaning of the Code or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis. The provisions set forth in Schedule 8 may be amended, eliminated or supplemented (without execution of a supplemental indenture) if the Issuer and the Trustee shall have received an opinion of tax counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters that the Issuer's compliance with such amended provisions or supplemental provisions or the Issuer's failure to comply with such provisions proposed to be eliminated, as the case may be, will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States within the meaning of the Code or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis provided, however, that written notice of any such amendment, elimination or supplementation of or to the provisions of Schedule 8 pursuant to this Section 7.12(b) shall be provided to each Rating Agency then rating any Outstanding Class of

Securities within 90 days of any such amendment, elimination or supplementation. For the avoidance of doubt, in the event an opinion of tax counsel as described above has been obtained in accordance with the terms hereof, no consent of any Holder of the Securities or satisfaction of the Rating Condition shall be required in order to comply with this Section 7.12(b) in connection with the amendment, elimination or supplementation of any provision of Schedule 8 contemplated by such opinion of tax counsel.

(c) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer may amend, or permit the amendment of, their Memorandum and Articles or the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the amendment (but not otherwise).

Section 7.13. ***Listing on Cayman Islands Stock Exchange.***

So long as any Securities remain Outstanding, the Co-Issuers shall use all reasonable efforts to obtain and maintain the listing of the Notes on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange.

Section 7.14. ***Annual Rating Review.***

So long as any Securities of any Class remain Outstanding, on or before May, 31 in each year commencing in 2006, the Co-Issuers shall obtain and pay for an annual review or ongoing surveillance of the rating of each Outstanding Class of Notes and the Class 1 Combination Securities from each Rating Agency, as applicable. The Co-Issuers shall promptly notify the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager in writing (and the Trustee shall promptly provide a copy of the notice to the Holders of the Securities) and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) if at any time the rating of any Class of Notes or the Class 1 Combination Securities has been, or is known will be, changed or withdrawn.

Section 7.15. ***Reporting.***

At any time when the Co-Issuers are not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act and are not exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act, upon the request of a Holder or Beneficial Owner of any Note or a Holder of a Combination Security, the Co-Issuers shall promptly furnish "Rule 144A Information" to the Holder or Beneficial Owner, to a prospective purchaser of a Security designated by the Holder or Beneficial Owner or to the Trustee for delivery to the Holder or Beneficial Owner or a prospective purchaser designated by the Holder or Beneficial Owner, as the case may be, to permit compliance by the Holder or Beneficial Owner with Rule 144A under the Securities Act in connection with the resale of the Security by the Holder or Beneficial Owner. **"Rule 144A Information"** is the information specified pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act.

Section 7.16. ***Calculation Agent.***

(a) The Issuer agrees that for so long as any Notes remain Outstanding an agent will always have been appointed (that does not control and is not controlled by or under common control with the Issuer or its Affiliates) to calculate LIBOR in respect of each Interest Period (the **"Calculation Agent"**). The Issuer has initially appointed the Trustee as Calculation Agent. The Issuer may remove the Calculation Agent at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Issuer or if the Calculation Agent fails to determine any of the information required to be given to the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange, as described in subsection (b), in respect of any Interest Period, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager (on its behalf) shall promptly appoint a replacement Calculation Agent. For so long as any Securities are listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, notice of the appointment of any replacement Calculation Agent shall be given to the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange as promptly as practicable after the appointment. The Calculation Agent may not resign its duties without a successor having been duly appointed.

(b) As soon as possible after 11:00 a.m., London time, on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period, but in no event later than 11:00 a.m., London time, on the next Business Day, the Calculation Agent shall calculate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Notes for the next Interest Period. The Calculation Agent shall communicate those rates and amounts to the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, each Paying Agent, the Portfolio Manager, Euroclear, Clearstream, the Depository, and, so long as any of the Securities are listed thereon and the rules of the exchange so require, the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange. In the latter case, the information shall be given to the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange as soon as possible after its determination. The Calculation Agent shall separately notify the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange of the information. The Calculation Agent shall also specify to the Co-Issuers the quotations on which the foregoing rates are based, and in any event the Calculation Agent shall notify the Co-Issuers before 7:00 p.m., London time, on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period that either:

- (i) it has determined or is in the process of determining the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Notes, or
- (ii) it has not determined and is not in the process of determining any such Note Interest Rate together with its reasons therefor.

The Calculation Agent's determination of the foregoing rates for any Interest Period shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding on all parties and the Holders and Beneficial Owners of the Preference Shares.

Section 7.17. ***Certain Tax Matters.***

(a) The Issuer will not elect to be treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

(b) The Issuer shall file, or cause to be filed, any tax returns, including information tax returns, required by any governmental authority; provided, however, that the Issuer shall not file, or cause to be filed, any income or franchise tax return in any state of the United States unless it shall have obtained an Opinion of Counsel from a tax counsel of nationally recognized standing experienced in such matters prior to such filing that, under the laws of such jurisdiction, the Issuer is required to file such income or franchise tax return.

(c) Notwithstanding any contrary agreement or understanding, the Portfolio Manager, the Issuers, the Trustee and the Holders and Beneficial Owners of the Notes (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) may disclose to any and all Persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions contemplated by this Indenture and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to them relating to such tax treatment and tax structure. The foregoing provision shall apply from the beginning of discussions between the parties. For this purpose, the tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. tax treatment of the transaction under applicable U.S. federal, state and local law, and the tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. tax treatment of the transaction under applicable U.S. federal, state and local law.

(d) If the Issuer is aware that it has purchased an interest in a "reportable transaction" within the meaning of Section 6011 of the Code, and a Holder of a Security requests information about any such transactions in which the Issuer is an investor, the Issuer shall provide such information it has reasonably available as soon as practicable after such request.

(e) The Issuer shall not conduct any business other than the business that the Issuer is permitted to conduct under this Agreement.

(f) Upon written request by the Independent accountants, the Indenture Registrar shall provide to the Independent accountants that information contained in the Indenture Register requested by the Independent accountants to comply with this Section 7.17.

(g) The Issuer will treat each purchase of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments as a "purchase" for tax accounting and reporting purposes.

(h) Upon the Trustee's receipt of a written request of a Holder or Beneficial Owner holding a Security that is issued with original issue discount for U.S. Federal income tax purposes for the information described in United States Treasury Regulations section 1.1275-3(b)(1) that is applicable to such Security that is issued with original issue discount for U.S. Federal income tax purposes, the Issuer will cause its independent accountants to provide promptly to the Trustee and such requesting Holder or Beneficial Owner all of such information. Any issuance of Additional Notes will be accomplished in a manner that will allow the Issuer to accurately provide the same information as the foregoing to the Holders or Beneficial Owner of such Additional Notes.

(i) Each Holder and Beneficial Owner of a Security, by acceptance of its Security or its interest in a Security, shall be deemed to understand and acknowledge that failure to provide the Paying Agent with the applicable U.S. federal income tax certifications (generally, a United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 (or successor applicable form) in the case of a person that is a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code or an appropriate United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 (or successor applicable form) in the case of a person that is not a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) may result in U.S. federal back-up withholding from payments in respect of such Note.

(j) The Issuer and each Holder of a Note (or in the case of the Combination Securities, the Class 1 Note Component of such Combination Securities) shall treat the Notes (or in the case of the Combination Securities, the Class 1 Note Component of such Combination Securities) as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes and further agrees not to take any action inconsistent with such treatment.

(k) The Issuer shall provide, or cause the independent accountants to provide, within 90 days after the end of the Issuer's tax year, to each Holder of a Security, upon written request and, upon written request therefor, all information that a U.S. shareholder making a "qualified electing fund" election (as defined in the Code) with respect to the Security is required to obtain from the Issuer for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and a "PFIC Annual Information Statement" as described in United States Treasury Regulation Section 1.1295-1(g)(1) (or any successor Treasury Regulation), including all representations and statements required by such statement, and the Issuer will take or cause the accountants to take any other reasonable steps to facilitate such election by a Holder or Beneficial Owner of a Security.

(l) The Issuer will provide, or cause its Independent accountants to provide, to a Holder of a Security, upon written request and, upon written request therefor, any information that such Holder or Beneficial Owner reasonably requests to assist such Holder or Beneficial Owner with regard to filing requirements that such Holder or Beneficial Owner is required to satisfy as a result of the controlled foreign corporation rules under the Code.

(m) The Issuer and each Holder and each Beneficial Owner of any Class of Combination Securities, or any interest therein will treat, at the time of its purchase and throughout the period that it holds such Combination Security or interest therein, each Class of Combination Securities as its respective Components rather than a single unit for United States federal income tax purposes.

Section 7.18. *Securities Lending.*

(a) So long as no Event of Default is continuing and if after the completion of the transaction the limit in clause (28) of the definition of "Concentration Limitations" would be satisfied, the Portfolio Manager may cause Collateral Obligations that are not Defaulted Collateral Obligations to be lent for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) having long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or guarantors with ratings of at least "A1" (and not "A1" but on credit watch with negative implications) and "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A" from S&P (each, a "Securities Lending Counterparty") pursuant to one or more agreements (each, a "Securities Lending Agreement"); provided that Collateral Obligations the Market Value of which cannot be determined under clause (i), (ii) or (iii) of that definition may not be lent pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement. Upon receipt of an Issuer Order, the Trustee shall release any lent Collateral Obligations to a Securities Lending Counterparty as directed by the Portfolio Manager. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Placement Agent or Affiliates of the Portfolio Manager. The duration of any Securities Lending Agreement shall not exceed the Stated Maturity of the Securities.

(b) Each Securities Lending Agreement shall be on market terms as determined by the Portfolio Manager (except as may be required below) and shall:

- (i) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty return to the Issuer debt obligations that are identical (in terms of issue and class) to the lent Collateral Obligations;
- (ii) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty pay to the Issuer amounts equivalent to all interest and other payments that the owner of the lent Collateral Obligation is entitled to for the period during which the Collateral Obligation is lent and require that any such payments not be subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the Securities Lending Counterparty is required under the Securities Lending Agreement to make "gross-up" payments to the Issuer that cover the full amount of the withholding tax on an after-tax basis;
- (iii) require that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency shall be satisfied with respect to the execution of the Securities Lending Agreement;
- (iv) satisfy any other requirements of Section 1058 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated under it;
- (v) be governed by the laws of New York;
- (vi) permit the Issuer to assign its rights under the Securities Lending Agreement to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture;
- (vii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Collateral Obligation becomes a Credit Risk Obligation or is subject to redemption in accordance with its terms;
- (viii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty upon any redemption of the Securities in whole;
- (ix) require the Securities Lending Counterparty to post with the Trustee collateral consisting of Cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the Securities Lending Agreement (the "**Securities Lending Collateral**") to secure its obligation to return the

Collateral Obligations or in the alternative post the Securities Lending Collateral with a custodian for the benefit of the Issuer designated by the Securities Lending Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that custodian would qualify to be a successor trustee under Section 6.8;

(x) provide that the Securities Lending Collateral shall be maintained at all times in an amount equal to at least 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value (determined daily and monitored by the Portfolio Manager) of the lent Collateral Obligations and if securities are delivered to the Trustee as security for the obligations of the Securities Lending Counterparty under the related Securities Lending Agreement, the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer will negotiate with the Securities Lending Counterparty a rate for the loan fee to be paid to the Issuer for lending the lent Collateral Obligations;

(xi) the lent Collateral Obligations shall be marked-to-market on a daily basis by the Portfolio Manager on the basis of their Market Value;

(xii) the Collateral will include the Issuer's rights under the related Securities Lending Agreement rather than the loaned Collateral Obligation;

(xiii) provide for early termination within 10 days at the option of the Issuer and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Securities Lending Counterparty is no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty and the noncompliance is not cured as provided in this Indenture; and

(xiv) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Securities Lending Counterparty) equivalent (mutatis mutandis) to those in this Indenture.

(c) If either Moody's or S&P downgrades a Securities Lending Counterparty such that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party are no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty, then the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer, within 10 days of the downgrade, shall

(i) terminate its Securities Lending Agreements with the Securities Lending Counterparty unless a guarantor for the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements has been obtained; or

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations lent to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty so that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party, together with all other Securities Lending Agreements, are in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of Securities Lending Counterparties; or

(iii) take any other steps Moody's or S&P may require to cause the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party to be treated by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, as if the obligations were owed by a counterparty having a rating at least equivalent to the rating that was assigned by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty before its being downgraded.

(d) In connection with any such direction by the Portfolio Manager to enter into a Securities Lending Agreement, the Trustee may receive and rely on an Issuer Order to the effect that the

Securities Lending Agreement, and its Securities Lending Counterparty, is each in compliance with the requirements of this Indenture (including the definition of "Securities Lending Counterparty"). The Issuer and the Trustee may enter into any Securities Lending Agreement (and any related account control agreement) at the instruction of the Portfolio Manager, and deliver and accept delivery and return of any Collateral Obligations pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement, or pursuant to instructions from the Portfolio Manager in connection with the Securities Lending Agreement. The Trustee may take any actions and exercise any rights and remedies under any Securities Lending Agreement that the Portfolio Manager instructs. The Trustee need not enter into any Securities Lending Agreement (or any related account control agreement) that would in its judgment, subject it to any liability, whether financial or otherwise, or cause it to incur or subject it to risk of any cost or disbursement for which it is not, in its judgment, adequately indemnified, or that would impose on it any obligations or administrative burdens that are unacceptable to it. The Portfolio Manager shall instruct the Trustee in writing with respect to the administration of any Securities Lending Agreement (including with respect to any default and the exercise of rights under it). The Trustee shall not have any responsibility for evaluating the sufficiency, validity, or acceptability of any Securities Lending Agreement or for the qualifications or eligibility of any Securities Lending Counterparty. Nothing in this Indenture shall be construed to cause the Trustee to have any fiduciary duties to any Securities Lending Counterparty.

So long as any Collateral Obligation is on loan pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement,

(a) the Trustee shall have no liability for any failure or inability on its part to receive any information or take any action with respect to the Collateral Obligation because of its being on loan (including any failure to take action with respect to a notice of redemption, consent solicitation, exchange or tender offer, or similar corporate action), and

(b) the loaned Collateral Obligations shall not be disqualified for return to the Trustee as a Collateral Obligation by any change in circumstance or status during the time while on loan (including any change that would cause the Collateral Obligation to be ineligible for purchase by the Issuer under this Indenture if applied to a proposed purchase of it in the open market at the time of its return from loan).

**Section 7.19. *Purchase of Collateral Obligations; Ramp-Up Completion Date.***

(a) The Issuer shall use its best efforts to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period or enter into commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period for purchase on or as soon as practicable thereafter (not to exceed 60 days thereafter), in each case, for inclusion in the Collateral so that each of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$872,000,000.

(b) No Collateral Obligations may be purchased prior to the Ramp-Up Completion Date unless immediately following the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (as certified by the Portfolio Manager in writing), the remaining funds in the Collection Account, after giving effect to such purchase, are sufficient as of the date of determination to purchase Collateral Obligations for inclusion in the Collateral so that each of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$872,000,000 (taking into account the Collateral Obligations already part of the Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date)).

(c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, or any other provision of this Indenture, if the Issuer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase a Collateral Obligation to be included in the

Collateral, such commitment initially not to exceed 60 days, and at the time of the commitment the Collateral Obligation complied with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set forth in this Section 7.19, the Issuer may consummate the purchase of the Collateral Obligation notwithstanding that the Collateral Obligation fails to comply with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set out above on the date of settlement.

(d) The Issuer will use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase, or to enter into binding agreements to purchase, Collateral Obligations by the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that, together with the Collateral Obligations purchased on or before the Closing Date and then held by the Issuer, will satisfy, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date), the Collateral Quality Tests, the Concentration Limitations, the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 of this Indenture and the Overcollateralization Tests.

(e) Within 5 Business Days after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Issuer) shall request a Rating Confirmation on behalf of the Issuer and shall provide a report to the Rating Agencies identifying the Collateral Obligations then included in the Collateral and the Issuer shall obtain and deliver to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies, together with the delivery of a report (and, with respect to S&P, a Microsoft Excel file of the S&P CDO Monitor input file and, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, the name of the obligor thereon, the CUSIP number thereof (if applicable) and the S&P Priority Category thereof) substantially in the form of a Monthly Report as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, an Accountants' Certificate:

(i) confirming the maturity date, rating, spread and recovery rate for each item of Original Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date and the information provided by the Issuer with respect to every other asset included in the Collateral, by reference to such sources as shall be specified therein;

(ii) confirming that as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date:

(1) each of the Coverage Tests are satisfied;

(2) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owned or committed to purchase as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date is at least equal to the Maximum Investment Amount; and

(3) the Collateral Obligations comply with all of the requirements of the Collateral Quality Tests and the Concentration Limitations and the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 of this Indenture; and

(iii) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing statements.

If the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Issuer) fails to deliver an Accountants' Certificate meeting the requirements of this Section 7.19(e) within 5 Business Days of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Issuer) shall give notice to the Rating Agencies of such failure.

(f) If a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, the Notes will be redeemed pursuant to, and to the extent provided in, Section 9.1(a).



Section 7.20. ***Posting of Reports on Repository.***

(a) If the Placement Agent has entered into a posting dealer agreement with The Bond Market Association relating to the transactions contemplated by this Indenture, each of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Portfolio Manager acknowledges and agrees to (i) the posting of the Monthly Reports and the Valuation Reports on the Repository for use in the manner provided in the Repository and (ii) the display of its name on the Repository in connection therewith. In connection therewith, the Issuer agrees to make available in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(viii) each Monthly Report or Valuation Report to the operator of the Repository for posting on the Repository.

(b) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee makes any representation or warranty to The Bond Market Association (or any successor thereto) or any affiliate thereof or any Person having or obtaining access to the information maintained in the Repository or to any of such Person's affiliates regarding the accuracy or completeness of any information, document, report or other communication transmitted to the Repository, and no Person having or obtaining access to the information maintained in the Repository shall have any rights under this Indenture or any other transaction document or otherwise by reason of the transmission of any such information, document, report or other communication to the Repository.

Section 7.21. ***Secondary Risk Procedures.***

The Portfolio Manager shall notify S&P and request that S&P modify the S&P CDO Monitor accordingly if on any date (as disclosed in the most recent Monthly Report):

(a) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Collateral Obligations participated from or entered into with the same Secondary Risk Counterparty exceeds the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount in the Secondary Risk Table opposite the long-term S&P credit rating of the Secondary Risk Counterparty under the caption "Individual Counterparty Limit," or

(b) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Collateral Obligations participated from or entered into with Secondary Risk Counterparties with the same long-term credit rating exceeds the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount in the Secondary Risk Table opposite that rating under the caption "Aggregate Counterparty Limit" (excluding up to 5% by Aggregate Principal Amount of Synthetic Securities with respect to Collateral Obligations the Aggregate Counterparty Limit of which is 20% to the extent that (x) such exposure is fully collateralized with respect to principal and (y) the related Synthetic Security Counterparties are rated at least "A-1+" by S&P).

Section 7.22. ***Section 3(c)(7) Procedures.***

In addition to the notices required to be given under Section 10.6 hereof, the Issuer shall take the following actions to ensure compliance with the requirements of Section 3(c)(7) of the 1940 Act (provided that such procedures and disclosures may be revised by the Issuer to be consistent with generally accepted practice for compliance with the requirements of Section 3(c)(7) of the 1940 Act):

(a) *Section 3(c)(7) Notice to Investors.* The Issuer shall (i) request the Depository to cause, and cooperate with the Depository in causing, the Depository's security description and delivery order to include a "3(c)(7) marker" and the Depository's user manual to contain an accurate description of the restrictions on the holding and transfer of the Securities due to the Issuer's reliance on the exclusion to registration provided by Section 3(c)(7) of the 1940 Act, (ii) request that the Depository send, and cooperate with the Depository in causing the Depository to send, to its Agent Members (x) the Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice substantially in the form of Exhibit H-2 in connection with the initial offering of the Securities and (y) the Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice substantially in the form of Exhibit H-1 as set forth in Section 10.6(b) and (iii) request that the Depository cause, and

cooperate with the Depository in causing, the Depository's Reference Directory to include each Class of Securities (and the applicable CUSIP numbers for the Securities) in the listing of 3(c)(7) issues together with an attached description of the limitations as to the distribution, purchase, sale and holding of the Securities.

(b) *CUSIP Numbers.* The Issuer shall (a) request of S&P, and shall cooperate with S&P to ensure that all CUSIP numbers identifying the Securities shall have a "fixed field" attached thereto that contains "3c7" and "144A" indicators and (b) take steps to cause the Placement Agent and any market makers to require that all "confirms" of trades of the Securities contain CUSIP numbers with such "fixed field" identifiers.

(c) *Bloomberg and other Third-Party Vendor Screens.* The Issuer shall use all reasonable efforts to cause the Bloomberg screen or screens containing information about the Securities to include the following language: (a) the "Note Box" on the bottom of the "Security Display" page describing the Securities shall state: "Iss'd Under 144A/3(c)(7)", (b) the "Security Display" page shall have the flashing red indicator "See Other Available Information", and (c) the indicator shall link to the "Additional Security Information" page, which shall state that the securities are "being offered in reliance on the exemption from registration under Rule 144A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") to persons who are both (x) qualified institutional buyers (as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act) and (y) qualified purchasers (as defined under Section 3(c)(7) under the Investment Company Act of 1940)". The Issuer shall use all reasonable efforts to require that any other third-party vendor screens containing information about the Securities include substantially similar language to clauses (a) through (c) above.

## ARTICLE 8

### SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURES

#### Section 8.1. ***Supplemental Indentures Without Consent of Holders.***

(a) Without the consent of the Holders of any Securities or the Holders of any Preference Shares, when authorized by Board Resolutions, and subject to the requirement provided below in this Section 8.1 with respect to the ratings of any Class of Securities, the Co-Issuers and the Trustee may execute one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, to:

(1) evidence the succession of another person to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and the assumption by the successor person of the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture and in the Securities;

(2) add to the covenants of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee for the benefit of the Holders of the Securities or to surrender any right in this Indenture conferred on the Co-Issuers;

(3) convey, transfer, assign, mortgage, or pledge any property to the Trustee, or add to the conditions, limitations, or restrictions on the authorized amount, terms, and purposes of the issue, authentication, and delivery of the Securities;

(4) evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment under this Indenture by a successor Trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of this Indenture necessary to facilitate the administration of the trusts under this Indenture by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of Sections 6.9, 6.10, and 6.12;

(5) correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of this Indenture, or to better assure, convey, and confirm to the Trustee any property subject or required to be subject to the lien of this Indenture (including all actions appropriate as a result of changes in law) or to subject to the lien of this Indenture any additional property;

(6) modify the restrictions on and procedures for resales and other transfers of the Securities to reflect any changes in applicable law (or its interpretation) or to enable the Co-Issuers to rely on any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities Act or the 1940 Act or to remove restrictions on resale and transfer to the extent not required under this Indenture;

(7) with the consent of the Portfolio Manager, to modify the restrictions on the sales of Collateral Obligations in Section 12.1 or the Eligibility Criteria in Section 12.2 (and the definitions related thereto) in a manner not materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of the Notes, the Combination Securities or the Preference Shares as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Portfolio Manager to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of the Notes, the Combination Securities or the Preference Shares;

(8) make appropriate changes for any Class of Securities to be listed on an exchange other than the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange;

(9) otherwise to correct any inconsistency or cure any ambiguity or errors in this Indenture;

(10) accommodate the issuance of the Notes and Combination Securities and Preference Shares in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC or otherwise;

(11) to take any appropriate action to prevent the Issuer, the Holders of Securities or Preference Shares, or the Trustee from becoming subject to withholding or other taxes, fees, or assessments or to prevent the Issuer from being treated as being engaged in a U.S. trade or business or otherwise being subject to income tax on a net income basis, so long as the action will not cause the Holders of any Securities or Preference Shares to be adversely affected to any material extent by any change to the timing, character, or source of the income from the Securities or Preference Shares, as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion);

(12) to authorize the appointment of any listing agent, Transfer Agent, Paying Agent, or additional registrar for any Class of Securities appropriate in connection with the listing of any Class of Securities on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange or any other stock exchange, and otherwise to amend this Indenture to incorporate any changes required or requested by any governmental authority, stock exchange authority, listing agent, Transfer Agent, Paying Agent, or additional registrar for any Class of Securities in connection with its appointment, so long as the supplemental indenture would not materially and adversely affect any Holder of Securities, as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of the Securities;

(13) to amend, modify, enter into, or accommodate the execution of any contract relating to a Synthetic Security (including posting collateral under a Synthetic Security Agreement);

(14) to modify Section 3.3 to be consistent with applicable laws or Rating Agency requirements;

(15) to evidence any waiver by any Rating Agency as to any requirement or condition, as applicable, of the Rating Agency set forth in this Indenture;

(16) to facilitate the issuance of participation notes, combination notes, combination securities and other similar securities;

(17) to facilitate hedging transactions;

(18) to facilitate the ability of the Issuer to lend collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement;

(19) to modify any provision to facilitate an A/B Exchange, including to effect any serial designation relating to the exchange;

(20) with the consent of the Portfolio Manager, to enter into any additional agreements not expressly prohibited by this Indenture as well as any amendment, modification, or waiver if the Issuer determines that the amendment, modification, or waiver would not, upon or after becoming effective, materially and adversely affect the rights or interest of the Holders of any Class of Securities or the Holders of Preference Shares as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Portfolio Manager to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities or the Holders of Preference Shares; or

(21) provide for the issuance of Additional Preference Shares to the extent permitted by the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and to extend to such Additional Preference Shares the benefits applicable to the Preference Shares hereunder and under the Preference Share Documents.

(b) Without the consent of the Portfolio Manager, no supplemental indenture may be entered into that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to the Portfolio Manager under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Portfolio Manager.

(c) The Trustee is authorized to join in the execution of any such supplemental indenture and to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations that may be in the agreements, but the Trustee shall not be obligated to enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties, liabilities, or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise, except to the extent required by law. Unless notified by a Majority of any Class of the Securities or a Majority of the Holders of Preference Shares that the Class of Securities or Holders of Preference Shares would be materially and adversely affected, the Trustee may rely on a certificate of the Portfolio Manager and an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) as to whether the interests of any Holder of Securities or Holder of Preference Shares would be materially and adversely affected by any such supplemental indenture. The Trustee shall give notice of any such supplemental indenture described in the preceding sentence

to the Holders of Securities and to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) at least 15 Business Days before execution of any supplemental indenture by the Trustee (or 60 calendar days before execution, in the case of a supplemental indenture for the purpose described in paragraph (7) of Section 8.1(a), which shall be identified as such in a certificate of the Portfolio Manager delivered to the Trustee before the date on which such notice is required to be given).

(d) Except for a supplemental indenture described in Section 8.1(a)(21) above, if any Outstanding Securities are rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee shall enter into a supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.1 only if either (1) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the supplemental indenture or (2) the Portfolio Manager and the Holders of 100% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Securities the ratings on which would be reduced or withdrawn consent to the supplemental indenture. Prior to the entry into any supplemental indenture with respect to which a Rating Confirmation for one or more Classes of Securities is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Security informing them of such fact.

(e) Without limiting any other requirement to deliver notice pursuant to this Section 8.1, at the cost of the Co-Issuers, for so long as any Securities are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee shall provide to the Rating Agency, the Holders of the Securities and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Hedge Counterparty a copy of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee.

**Section 8.2. *Supplemental Indentures With Consent of Holders.***

(a) If the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency, the Trustee and the Co-Issuers may execute one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture to add any provisions to, or change in any manner, or eliminate any of the provisions of, this Indenture or modify in any manner the rights of the Holders of the Securities under this Indenture with the consent of:

- (1) the Portfolio Manager if the supplemental indenture would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Portfolio Manager;
- (2) a Majority of each Class of Notes adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of each such Class of Notes;
- (3) a Majority of each Class of the Combination Securities adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of each Class of the Combination Securities; and
- (4) a Majority of the Preference Shares adversely affected thereby.

Any proposed supplemental indenture that would also necessitate a change to the Memorandum and Articles of Association may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Memorandum and Articles of Association) has been passed to permit the Issuer's constitutional documents to be altered to conform them to the proposed change to this Indenture as certified to the Trustee by the Issuer.

Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected thereby, the Holder of each Outstanding Combination Security of each Class adversely affected thereby and the Holder of each Preference Share adversely affected thereby, no supplemental indenture shall:

(i) change the Stated Maturity of the principal of or the due date of any installment of interest on any Note or the Class 2 Component or of any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, reduce the principal amount or the rate of interest on any Security, or the Default Interest Rate or the Redemption Price with respect to any Note, the Class 2 Component or Preference Share, or change the earliest date on which Notes, the Class 2 Component or any Class or Preference Share may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer, change the provisions of this Indenture relating to the application of proceeds of any Collateral to the payment of principal of or interest on Notes and the application of proceeds of any Class 2 Collateral or Preference Share Component corresponding to their related Components, or to payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, or change any place where, or the coin or currency in which, Securities or their principal or interest are paid or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after their Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the applicable Redemption Date);

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class or Combination Securities or Holders of Preference Shares whose consent is required for the authorization of any such supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of this Indenture or certain defaults under this Indenture or their consequences provided for in this Indenture;

(iii) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on a parity with the lien of this Indenture with respect to any part of the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral or terminate the lien on any property at any time subject hereto or deprive the Holder of any Security of the security afforded by the lien of this Indenture;

(iv) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class whose consent is required to request the Trustee to preserve the Collateral or rescind the Trustee's election to preserve the Collateral or the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities whose consent is required to preserve the Class 2 Collateral or rescind the Trustee's election to preserve the Class 2 Collateral, as the case may be, pursuant to Section 5.5 or to sell or liquidate the Collateral, pursuant to Section 5.4 or 5.5;

(v) modify any of the provisions of this Section, or to provide that certain other provisions of this Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note, Preference Share and Combination Security affected thereby;

(vi) modify the definition of "Outstanding," "Controlling Class," or "Majority," or the Priority of Payments in Section 11.1(a) or Section 13.1; or

(vii) modify any of the provisions of this Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of Redemption Price or of interest or principal on any Note or the Class 2 Component or any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the payment of dividends or other payments on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date or to affect the rights of the Holders of Notes or Preference Shares or the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of the Notes or the Preference Shares contained in this Indenture.

Prior to the entry into any supplemental indenture with respect to which a Rating Confirmation for one or more Classes of Notes or Combination Securities is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Note, each Holder of each Outstanding Combination Security and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) informing them of such fact.

(b) At the cost of the Co-Issuers, for so long as any Securities are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee shall provide to the Rating Agency a copy of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee.

(c) Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.2, the Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall forward to the Holders of the Securities, the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Securities are Outstanding) a copy of such supplemental indenture and shall request any required consent from the applicable Holders of Securities or Preference Shares to be given within the Initial Consent Period. Any consent given to a proposed supplemental indenture by the Holder of any Securities or Preference Shares, as applicable, shall be irrevocable and binding on all future Holders or Beneficial Owners of that Security or Preference Share, irrespective of the execution date of the supplemental indenture. If the Holders of less than the required percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the relevant Securities or Preference Shares consent to a proposed supplemental indenture within the Initial Consent Period, on the first Business Day after the Initial Consent Period, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager which Holders of Securities or Preference Shares have consented to the proposed supplemental indenture and, which Holders (and, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the Trustee, which Beneficial Owners) have not consented to the proposed supplemental indenture. To the extent that any Holder of Class A-1 Notes fails to respond to the consent solicitation relating to the proposed supplemental indenture after the Non-Call Period, such Holder shall be deemed to have cast its vote against adopting such supplemental indenture and, as a result, such Holder shall be subject to the Amendment Buy-Out. If it intends to exercise its Amendment Buy-Out Option pursuant to Section 9.6, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall so notify the Trustee in writing (which notice shall designate a date for the Amendment Buy-Out to occur no earlier than 10 Business Days after the date of such notice) no later than five (5) Business Days after so being notified by the Trustee and the Trustee shall mail such notice to all Holders of Securities and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares). Any Non-Consenting Holder may deliver written consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture until the 5<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the date of the Amendment Buy-Out designated by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and in such case shall cease to be a Non-Consenting Holder for purposes of the Amendment Buy-Out. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser exercises its Amendment Buy-Out Option and purchases the applicable Securities pursuant to Section 9.6 below, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, as Holder or Beneficial Owner of the applicable Securities or Preference Shares, may consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture within five (5) Business Days of the Amendment Buy-Out.

(d) It shall not be necessary for any Act of Holders of Securities under this Section 8.2 to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if the Act or consent approves its substance.

(e) The Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail to the Holders of the Securities, the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency a copy of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.2 promptly after its execution by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee. Any failure of the Trustee to mail a copy of any supplemental indenture as provided in this Indenture, or any defect in the mailing, shall not in any way affect the validity of the supplemental indenture.

### Section 8.3. *Execution of Supplemental Indentures.*

In executing or accepting the additional trusts created by any supplemental indenture permitted by this Article 8 or the modifications thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture, the Trustee may receive, and (subject to Sections 6.1 and 6.3) shall be fully protected in relying upon (including with respect to determinations of adverse effect), an Opinion of Counsel stating that the execution of the supplemental

indenture is authorized or permitted by this Indenture and that all conditions precedent to the execution of such supplemental indenture have been satisfied. The Trustee may, but shall not be obligated to, enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties, or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise. The Portfolio Manager shall not be bound by any amendment or supplement to this Indenture that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Portfolio Manager unless the Portfolio Manager consents to it in writing, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed. The Portfolio Manager shall follow any amendment or supplement to this Indenture by which it is bound of which it has received written notice from the time it receives a copy of the amendment from the Issuer or the Trustee.

**Section 8.4. *Effect of Supplemental Indentures; Certain Required Consents.***

Upon the execution of any supplemental indenture under this Article 8, this Indenture shall be modified in accordance therewith, and the supplemental indenture shall form a part of this Indenture for all purposes; and every Holder of Securities and Preference Shares theretofore and thereafter authenticated and delivered under this Indenture shall be bound thereby.

Without the approval of each Hedge Counterparty to a then existing Hedge Agreement (so long as the Hedge Counterparty is not in default under any Hedge Agreement to which it is party), no supplemental indenture will be effective, and the Co-Issuers will not consent to any supplemental indenture, that would have a material adverse effect on the Hedge Counterparty. For purposes of this paragraph, any supplemental indenture will be deemed not to have a material adverse effect on the Hedge Counterparty if it does not object within 10 days of delivery of such supplemental indenture by the Trustee.

**Section 8.5. *Reference in Securities to Supplemental Indentures.***

Securities authenticated and delivered after the execution of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Article 8 may, and if required by the Trustee shall, bear a notice in form approved by the Trustee as to any matter provided for in the supplemental indenture. If the Applicable Issuers shall so determine, new Notes and new Combination Securities, so modified as to conform in the opinion of the Trustee and the Co-Issuers to any such supplemental indenture, may be prepared and executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated and delivered by the Trustee in exchange for Outstanding Securities.

**Section 8.6. *Combination Securities.***

For purposes of this Article 8, the Combination Securities shall only be adversely affected or materially and adversely affected, as the context requires, by any proposed supplemental indenture if the Combination Securities would suffer an adverse effect or material adverse effect, as the context requires, that does not arise directly from an adverse effect or material adverse effect suffered by the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Preference Shares.

## ARTICLE 9

### REDEMPTION OF NOTES

**Section 9.1. *Mandatory Redemption.***

(a) If either (a) a Coverage Test is not met on any Determination Date or (b) a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, principal payments on the Notes shall be made on the related Payment Date (without payment of any Redemption Price) in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Upon receipt of notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes, at par on any subsequent Payment



Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Securities (other than the Class 2 Combination Securities), then at the direction and in accordance with the instructions of the Portfolio Manager the Trustee shall sell Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for the purpose in the Collection Account will be used to redeem the Notes (but only to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Securities) and to pay all administrative and other fees, expenses, and obligations payable under the Priority of Payments. Any sale under this Section shall be conducted in such a manner that:

(i) after giving effect to the sale each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied or, if any Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Overcollateralization Test is not reduced,

(ii) if the sale occurs on or after the second Payment Date, after giving effect to the sale each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied or, if any Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Interest Coverage Test is not reduced, and

(iii) after giving effect to the sale each Collateral Quality Test is satisfied or, if any Collateral Quality Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Collateral Quality Test is not reduced.

(b) The Preference Shares will be redeemed in whole in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents on any Payment Date on which a mandatory redemption of the Notes pursuant to Section 9.1(a) results in the payment in full of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes.

## Section 9.2. *Optional Redemption.*

(a) Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the Notes shall be redeemed by the Applicable Issuers, in whole but not in part, on any Payment Date from Principal Proceeds and all other funds available for that purpose in the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account at the direction of the Holders of at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Preference Shares or, upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, a Majority of the Controlling Class (but only if the Aggregate Principal Balance is less than 100% of the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes), which direction must be given to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made, at the applicable Redemption Price (exclusive of installments of interest and principal maturing on or before that date, payment of which shall have been made or duly provided for, to the Holders of the Notes on relevant Record Dates or as otherwise provided in this Indenture). All Notes must be simultaneously redeemed, and any termination payments pursuant to Hedge Agreements must be paid.

Upon receipt of a notice of redemption pursuant to this Section 9.2(a), the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Management Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer, direct the sale of the Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for such purpose in the Collection Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account will be at least sufficient to redeem all of the Notes and to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations. If, in the Portfolio Manager's reasonable discretion, the sale would not be sufficient to redeem the Notes, and to pay the fees, expenses, and obligations, the Notes shall not be redeemed.

Upon any redemption pursuant to this Section 9.2(a), the Issuer shall, at least 30 days before the Redemption Date (unless the Trustee shall agree to a shorter notice period), notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency of the Redemption Date, the applicable Record Date, the principal amount of Notes to be redeemed on the Redemption Date, and the applicable Redemption Prices.

(b) On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, all administrative and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture and all amounts owing under this Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged,

(i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares pro rata in accordance with their respective holdings or

(ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, voting as a single Class or group, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such direction.

Upon a distribution pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(i), the Portfolio Manager will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Management Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer (and subject to Section 9.2(b)(ii)), direct the sale of all remaining Collateral Obligations. Upon a distribution pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii), the Portfolio Manager will effect the sale of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares.

Upon the occurrence of a redemption of the Preference Shares, in whole or in part, pursuant to this Section 9.2 prior to the Class 2 Component Payment Date, the Class 2 Combination Securities shall remain Outstanding until the maturity thereof and shall have the benefits provided by this Indenture (including, without limitation, the provisions of Section 11.2).

### Section 9.3. ***Redemption Procedures.***

(a) Upon any redemption pursuant to Section 9.2, a notice of redemption shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days and not earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date, each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of DTC, Euroclear, and Clearstream, as applicable, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), and (in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a)) to each Rating Agency. In addition, for so long as any Securities are listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of redemption of Securities pursuant to Section 9.2 shall also be given to the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange.

(b) All notices of redemption delivered pursuant to Section 9.3(a) shall state:

(i) the applicable Redemption Date;

(ii) the Redemption Price of the Notes to be redeemed (in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a));

(iii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), that all of the Notes, are to be redeemed in full and that interest on the Notes to be redeemed shall cease to accrue on the Payment Date specified in the notice; and

(iv) the places where the Securities to be redeemed in whole are to be surrendered for payment of the Redemption Price, which shall be the office or agency of the Co-Issuers to be maintained as provided in Section 7.2.

Any such notice of redemption may be withdrawn by the Issuer up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager only if:

(A) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), the Portfolio Manager does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications (described in Section 9.3(c) and 12.1(f)), as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee,

(B) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i), the Issuer receives the written direction of the Majority of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption delivered by a percentage of the Preference Shares requesting redemption under Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i), as applicable, and

(C) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii), the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer hereby agrees for the benefit of the directing person to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (B) or this clause (C)).

Notice of any withdrawal shall be sent, not later than the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date (assuming that the Trustee has received timely written notice from the Issuer as provided above), by the Trustee, to each Holder of Notes scheduled to be redeemed at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery (or, to the extent the address contained in the Indenture Register is not sufficient for that purpose, by first class mail) and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares). If the Issuer so withdraws any notice of redemption or is otherwise unable to complete any redemption of the Notes, the Sale Proceeds received from the sale of any Collateral Obligations sold pursuant to Sections 9.2 and 12.1(f) may, during the Reinvestment Period (and, in respect of Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations, after the Reinvestment Period) at the Portfolio Manager's discretion, be reinvested in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria.

Notice of redemption shall be given by the Co-Issuers or, upon an Issuer Order, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Co-Issuers. Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Note selected for redemption or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Securities or Preference Shares. For the avoidance of doubt, any notices of redemption delivered hereunder shall be delivered to each Holder of a Combination Security by virtue of such Holder's interest in the underlying Components of its relevant Class of Combination Securities.

(c) The Notes may not be redeemed pursuant to Section 9.2(a) unless either of the following conditions are satisfied:

(i) At least ten Business Days before the Redemption Date, the Portfolio Manager shall have furnished to the Trustee evidence (in form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee) that the Issuer has entered into a binding agreements (with a financial or other institution or entity whose short-term unsecured debt obligations (other than obligations whose rating is based on the credit of a person other than the institution) have a credit rating of at least "A-1" from S&P and of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's (or to any other institution or entity if the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's is satisfied with respect to the other entity)) to sell to the financial or other institutions, not later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date in immediately available funds, all or part of the Collateral (directly or by participation or other arrangement) at a Purchase Price at least equal to an amount sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations (including the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties, and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices; or

(ii) Before entering into any binding agreement to sell all or a portion of the Collateral and selling or terminating any Hedge Agreement, the Portfolio Manager shall have certified that, in its commercially reasonable judgment, the settlement dates of the sales will be scheduled to occur on or before the Business Day before the Redemption Date and that the expected proceeds from the sales are to be delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date, in immediately available funds, in an amount (calculated as applicable in the manner provided below) sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties, and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices. For purposes of this paragraph, the amount shall be calculated with respect to the classes of Collateral listed in the table below by multiplying the expected proceeds of sale of the Collateral by the indicated percentage in the table below.

		Number of Business Days Between Certification to the Trustee and Sale			
		<u>Same Day</u>	<u>1 to 2</u>	<u>3 to 5</u>	<u>6 to 15</u>
1	Cash or other Eligible Investments	100%	100%	100%	100%
2	Loans (other than 5 below)	100%	93%	92%	88%
3	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations (in each case, other than 4 below)	100%	89%	85%	75%
4	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations, in each case with a Moody's Rating of "B3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "B3"	100%	75%	65%	55%
5	Synthetic Securities	100%	65%	55%	35%

Any certification delivered pursuant to this Section 9.3(c) shall include (A) the prices of, and expected proceeds from, the sale of any Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, or Hedge Agreements and (B) all calculations required by this Section 9.3(c).

Section 9.4. ***Notes Payable on Redemption Date.***

(a) Notice of redemption pursuant to Section 9.3 having been given as aforesaid, the Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at the Redemption Price therein specified and from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Redemption Price and accrued interest) the Notes shall cease to bear interest on the Redemption Date. Upon final payment on a Note to be so redeemed, the Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the place specified in the notice of redemption on or before the Redemption Date unless the Co-Issuers and the Trustee receive the security or indemnity required by them to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the Note, and in the absence of notice to the Co-Issuers and the Trustee, that the applicable Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender. Payments of interest on Notes so to be redeemed whose Stated Maturity is on or before the Redemption Date shall be payable to the Holders of the Notes, or one or more predecessor Notes, registered as such at the close of business on the relevant Record Date if the Record Date is a Business Day (or, if the Record Date is not a Business Day, the close of business on the Business Day before the Record Date) according to Section 2.8(e).

(b) If any Note called for redemption is not paid on its surrender for redemption, its principal shall bear interest from the Redemption Date at the Applicable Note Interest Rate for each successive Interest Period the Note remains Outstanding if the reason for the non-payment is not the fault of the Holder of the Note.

Section 9.5. ***Special Redemption.***

Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in whole or in part, at par, in accordance with the Priority of Payments if, at any time during the Reinvestment Period, the Portfolio Manager elects (subject to the Management Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the investment or reinvestment of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be invested in additional Collateral Obligations (a "***Special Redemption***").

On the first Payment Date following the Due Period for which the notice is effective (a "***Special Redemption Date***"), the funds in the Collection Account or the Payment Account representing Principal Proceeds that, by operation of the preceding paragraph, are not reinvested in additional Collateral Obligations (the "***Special Redemption Amount***") will be available to be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments under Section 11.1(a)(ii). Notice of payments pursuant to this Section 9.5 shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than three Business Days before the applicable Special Redemption Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of DTC. In addition, for so long as any Securities are listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of redemption of Securities pursuant to Section 9.2 shall also be given to the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange.

Section 9.6. ***Amendment Buy-Out.***

(a) In the case of any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities or Preference Shares, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Securities (other than the Class 2 Combination Securities) or Preference Shares (including Preference Shares

underlying the Preference Share Component of the Class 2 Combination Securities distributed in accordance with the third sentence of this paragraph) held by such Holders of the Class of Securities or Preference Shares whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture (the "**Amendment Buy-Out Option**") for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; provided, however, that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser may not exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option during the Non-Call Period in connection with a proposed amendment to reduce the rate of interest on any Security, as applicable, or to change the earliest date on which Securities of any Class or Preference Shares may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer. In the event that Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities are Non-Consenting Holders in connection with a supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2, the Class 2 Combination Securities shall not be subject to the Amendment Buy-Out Option. However, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to cause the Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Component of the Class 2 Combination Securities be distributed to such Holder in accordance with Section 2.6(g)(iii) and, upon such distribution, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser may then subject the Preference Shares so distributed to the provisions of this Section 9.6. If the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all such Securities (other than Class 2 Combination Securities) or Preference Shares (including Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Component of the Class 2 Combination Securities distributed in accordance with the third sentence of this paragraph) of Non-Consenting Holders, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities or Preference Shares the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an "**Amendment Buy-Out**"). By its acceptance of its Securities or Preference Shares hereunder, each Holder of Securities or Preference Shares agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its applicable Securities (other than the Class 2 Combination Securities) or Preference Shares (including Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Component of the Class 2 Combination Securities distributed in accordance with the third sentence of this paragraph) to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser; provided that, if the solicited consent to a supplemental indenture only applies to one Component of a Class 1 Combination Security, the Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell, at the Non-Consenting Holder's option, its Class 1 Combination Security as a whole or solely the affected Component. Neither the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser nor any other Person shall have any liability to any Holder or Beneficial Owner of Securities or Preference Shares as a result of an election by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser not to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option. Pursuant to the definition of "Non-Consenting Holder", during the Non-Call Period, "Non-Consenting Holder" shall exclude any Holder of Class A-1 Notes (unless such Holder has consented in writing to be designated as a Non-Consenting Holder) and the Amendment Buy-Out Option shall not be applicable to such Class A-1 Notes. For the avoidance of doubt, (i) nothing described above or in the Indenture shall in any way limit or restrict the rights of the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes to consent or withhold their consent to a supplemental indenture or to otherwise vote their interest both during and after the Non-Call Period and (ii) the Trustee shall have no responsibility for overseeing the Portfolio Manager's compliance with the Amendment Buy-Out provisions herein.

(b) All purchases made pursuant to an Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Securities or Preference Shares set forth herein and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

## ARTICLE 10

## ACCOUNTS, ACCOUNTINGS, AND RELEASES

Section 10.1. *Collection of Money.*

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, the Trustee may demand payment or delivery of, and shall receive and collect, directly and without intervention or assistance of any fiscal agent or other intermediary, all money and other property payable to or receivable by the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture, including all payments due on the Pledged Obligations, in accordance with the terms of the Pledged Obligations. The Trustee shall segregate and hold all money and property received by it in trust for the Secured Parties and shall apply it as provided in this Indenture. Any Account may contain any number of sub-accounts for the convenience of the Trustee or as required by the Portfolio Manager for convenience in administering the Accounts, the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral.

Section 10.2. *Collection Account.*

(a) Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Collection Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, and into which the Trustee shall from time to time deposit, in addition to the deposits required pursuant to Section 10.7(e), immediately upon the Trustee's receipt thereof:

(i) any funds transferred from (1) the Closing Date Expense Account pursuant to Section 10.3(g) or (2) the Interest Reserve Account pursuant to Section 10.3(i),

(ii) all Principal Proceeds (unless (1) simultaneously reinvested in Collateral Obligations in accordance with Article 12, (2) deposited into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or (3) posted by the Issuer as cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security or in Eligible Investments) received by the Trustee,

(iii) all Interest Proceeds received by the Trustee (unless simultaneously reinvested in accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations in accordance with Article 12 or in Eligible Investments), and

(iv) all other funds received by the Trustee and not excluded above.

In addition to the items described above, the Issuer may, but under no circumstances shall be required to, deposit from time to time any monies, securities and other instruments in the Collection Account it deems, in its sole discretion, to be advisable (and may designate any amounts deposited pursuant to this sentence as Principal Proceeds or Interest Proceeds in its discretion). Any Principal Proceeds received during the Reinvestment Period, and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments received after the Reinvestment Period, which have not been reinvested in additional Collateral Obligations on the Business Day of receipt shall be deposited in the Collection Account and shall at the direction of the Portfolio Manager be applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the other requirements set forth herein or the purchase of Eligible Investments pending such investment or used to enter into additional Hedge Agreements or used in connection with a Special Redemption. Principal Proceeds (other than Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments) received after the Reinvestment Period shall be deposited into the Collection Account and applied to the purchase of Eligible Investments. All monies deposited from time to time in the Collection Account pursuant to this Indenture shall be held by the Trustee as part of the

Collateral and shall be applied to the purposes provided in this Indenture. Amounts in the Collection Account shall be reinvested pursuant to Section 10.4(a).

(b) Within one Business Day after receipt of any distribution or other proceeds of the Collateral that are not Cash, the Trustee shall so notify the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager. Within five Business Days of receipt of the notice from the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, shall sell the distribution or other proceeds for Cash in an arm's length transaction to a person that is not the Portfolio Manager or an Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager and deposit its proceeds in the Collection Account. The Issuer need not sell the distributions or other proceeds if it delivers an Issuer Order or an Officer's certificate to the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager certifying that the distributions or other proceeds are Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, or Workout Assets.

(c) During the Reinvestment Period (or, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations, after the Reinvestment Period), at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall withdraw funds on deposit in the Collection Account representing Principal Proceeds (and, to the extent expressly provided in this Indenture, Interest Proceeds) and reinvest (or invest, in the case of funds referred to in Section 7.19) the funds in Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral into the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), in each case in accordance with the requirements of Article 12 and the Issuer Order.

(d) At any time during or after the Reinvestment Period, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall, pay from amounts on deposit in the Collection Account on any Business Day during any Interest Period from Interest Proceeds only, any Administrative Expenses that require payment before the next Payment Date to the extent that the amount of the payments does not exceed the aggregate amount that may be paid on the next Payment Date under, and at the level of priority specified by, Section 11.1(a)(i)(1).

(e) The Trustee shall transfer to the Payment Account from the Collection Account for application pursuant to Section 11.1(a) or 11.2, as applicable, on or not later than the Business Day preceding each Payment Date, the amount set forth to be so transferred in the Valuation Report for the Payment Date.

### Section 10.3. ***Other Accounts.***

(a) *Custodial Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated trust account that shall be designated as the Custodial Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, and into which the Trustee shall deposit the Collateral Obligations and other Collateral not deposited elsewhere in accordance with this Indenture (other than Loans, Participations and general intangibles, which in the case of Loans and Participations, shall be held by the Trustee as provided in Section 3.2). All assets or securities at any time on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Custodial Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties. The only permitted withdrawals from the Custodial Account shall be in accordance with this Indenture. The Co-Issuers shall not have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Custodial Account other than in accordance with Section 3.2 and the Priority of Payments.



(b) *Revolving Reserve Account and Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish (i) a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account which shall be designated as the Revolving Reserve Account and (ii) a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, each of which shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. Upon the purchase of any Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee shall deposit Principal Proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account, in the case of a Revolving Loan, and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, in the case of a Delayed Drawdown Loan, each equal to the unfunded Commitment Amount of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, respectively, and the Principal Proceeds so deposited shall be considered part of the Purchase Price of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan for purposes of Article 12. At the direction of the Portfolio Manager at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period, the Trustee shall withdraw funds from the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to fund extensions of credit pursuant to Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans, respectively. In addition, to the extent that the Issuer receives proceeds of a repayment in respect of a Revolving Loan (except to the extent of any concurrent Commitment Reduction) at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period, the Trustee shall deposit the proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account. Upon the sale of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan in whole or in part or the reduction in part or termination of the Issuer's commitment thereunder, an amount on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, as the case may be, specified by the Portfolio Manager as being equal to:

- (i) the unfunded amount of the commitment (in the case of a sale in whole or a termination of the commitment),
- (ii) the proportionate amount of the amount on deposit (in the case of a sale in part), or
- (iii) the amount by which the commitment is reduced (in the case of a reduction thereof in part),

shall be transferred by the Trustee to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds. Amounts on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account shall be reinvested pursuant to Section 10.4(b). All interest and other income from amounts in the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.4(b) shall be considered Interest Proceeds in the Due Period in which they are so deposited.

(c) *Expense Reimbursement Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Expense Reimbursement Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On any Payment Date and on any date between Payment Dates, the Trustee will apply amounts, if any, in the Expense Reimbursement Account to the payment of expenses and fees that must be paid between Payment Dates or that are due on that Payment Date under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) and the Trustee shall on any Payment Date transfer to the Expense Reimbursement Account an amount equal to the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts due under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) to the Expense Reimbursement Account in accordance with Section 11.1(a)(i)(2). Funds in the Expense Reimbursement Account shall be invested in accordance with Section 10.4(a).

(d) *Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties (other than the Hedge Counterparty pledging the Collateral), over which the

Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. The Trustee shall deposit all collateral received from a Hedge Counterparty under any Hedge Agreement into the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account shall be:

(i) for application to obligations of the relevant Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer under a Hedge Agreement if the Hedge Agreement becomes subject to early termination, or

(ii) to return collateral to the relevant Hedge Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Hedge Agreement, in each case as directed by the Portfolio Manager.

Amounts on deposit in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account shall be reinvested pursuant to Section 10.4(a) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(e) *Synthetic Security Collateral Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal, and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Synthetic Security and delivers a copy of it to the Trustee, the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the Synthetic Security Collateral Account with respect to the Synthetic Security.

All Synthetic Security Collateral posted by any Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Synthetic Security shall be immediately deposited into the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Synthetic Security. On each day on which amounts are payable to the Issuer out of Synthetic Security Collateral, the Issuer by Issuer Order shall direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, withdraw amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in an amount sufficient to make the payment as provided in the Issuer Order (including any total or partial release of Synthetic Security Collateral). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be (i) for application to the obligations of the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty under a Synthetic Security Agreement or (ii) to return Synthetic Security Collateral to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty at the termination of the relevant Synthetic Security Agreement or as otherwise required by the Synthetic Security Agreement, in each case as directed by the Portfolio Manager.

Amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be reinvested pursuant to Section 10.4(b) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(f) *Securities Lending Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Securities Lending Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal, and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Securities Lending Agreement and delivers a copy of it to the Trustee, the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the Securities Lending Account with respect to the Securities Lending Agreement. All Securities Lending Collateral posted by any Securities Lending Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Securities Lending Agreement shall be immediately deposited into the Securities Lending Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Securities Lending Agreement. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Securities Lending Account shall be:

(i) for application to obligations of the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty to the Issuer under a Securities Lending Agreement if the Securities Lending Agreement becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the related Securities Lending Agreement upon any "event of default" under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement, including liquidating the related Securities Lending Collateral, or

(ii) to return the Securities Lending Collateral to the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Securities Lending Agreement, in each case as directed by the Portfolio Manager.

Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be reinvested pursuant to Section 10.4(c). To the extent provided in a Securities Lending Agreement, earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be payable by the Issuer to the related Securities Lending Counterparty.

Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the loaned security or asset that relates to the Securities Lending Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer.

(g) *Closing Date Expense Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Closing Date Expense Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On the Closing Date, the Trustee, at the direction of the Issuer, shall deposit into the Closing Date Expense Account approximately U.S.\$332,917.16 from the gross proceeds of the Offering. At any time before the earlier of (i) the Ramp-Up Completion Date and (ii) the Payment Date in February, 2006, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall, pay from amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account any applicable fees and expenses of the Offering. On the Payment Date in February, 2006, the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds and close the Closing Date Expense Account.

Amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account shall be reinvested pursuant to Section 10.4(a) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(h) *Payment Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Payment Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Payment Account shall be to pay amounts due and payable on the Notes and Combination Securities in accordance with their terms and the provisions of this Indenture and to pay Administrative Expenses and other amounts specified in this Indenture, each in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Co-Issuers shall not have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Payment Account other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

(i) *Interest Reserve Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Interest Reserve Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On the Closing Date, the Trustee, at the direction of the Issuer, shall deposit into the Interest Reserve Account approximately U.S.\$7,200,000 from the gross proceeds of the Offering. Subject to the following sentence, on the Payment Date in February, 2006, the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account (after application of any monies therefrom on such date) to the Collection Account as

Principal Proceeds and close the Interest Reserve Account. If on any date during the period from and including to the Closing Date up to and including the first Determination Date the Portfolio Manager certifies in writing to the Trustee (based upon a calculation provided to the Trustee) that, as of such date, the sum of (x) amounts on deposit in the Collection Account as Interest Proceeds plus (y) interest accrued on the Collateral prior to the first Determination Date, will be sufficient to pay the amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (11) of Section 11.1(a)(i) on the Payment Date in February, 2006, the Portfolio Manager may make a one-time written direction to the Trustee to transfer not more than 75% of the funds on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account as of such date to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds. Amounts on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account shall be reinvested pursuant to Section 10.4(a).

(j) *Class 2 Component Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Class 2 Component Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, and into which the Trustee shall deposit the principal-only zero coupon security issued by Banc of America Corporation, maturing on October 30, 2005 paying a principal amount at maturity equal to the original principal amount of the Class 2 Combination Securities specified in Section 2.3 (the "**Class 2 Bond**"), which Class 2 Bond shall be delivered to the Trustee by the Issuer on the Closing Date. All assets or securities at any time on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Class 2 Component Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities. The only permitted withdrawals from the Class 2 Component Account shall be in accordance with this Indenture. None of the Co-Issuers, the Noteholders, the Holders of Preference Shares (other than the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities, to the extent of their Preference Share Components) or any other Secured Party shall have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Class 2 Component Account.

(k) In addition to any deposit, withdrawal, transfer or other application of funds with respect to any Account set forth in this Section 10.3 or in Section 10.2, any deposit, withdrawal, transfer or other application of funds with respect to any Account authorized elsewhere in this Indenture is hereby authorized pursuant to this Section 10.3.

(l) In order to comply with its obligations under the USA Patriot Act of 2001, if any, the Trustee shall be entitled to request and verify, and the Noteholders, Beneficial Owners, the Co-Issuers and other parties related to this Indenture shall be obligated to provide to the Trustee all the necessary information required by the USA Patriot Act of 2001.

#### Section 10.4. ***Reinvestment of Funds in Accounts; Reports by Trustee.***

(a) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall at all times before an Event of Default occurs, direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, invest all funds on deposit in the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account as so directed in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. All investments on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any investments. Before an Event of Default occurs, if the Issuer has not given investment directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Portfolio Manager within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Date Expense Account or the Interest Reserve Account. If the Trustee does not receive written instructions from the Portfolio Manager within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall invest and reinvest the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (c) of

the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. After an Event of Default occurs, if the Issuer does not give investment directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall invest and reinvest the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (c) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing not later than the earlier of (i) 30 days after the date of the investment or (ii) the Business Day before the next Payment Date. All interest and other income from the investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from the investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from the investments shall be charged to the Collection Account. Subject to Section 6.6, the Trustee shall not in any way be held liable for the selection of investments or because of any insufficiency of the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Date Expense Account or the Interest Reserve Account or any other account that results from any loss relating to any such investment.

(b) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall at all times direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, invest all funds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, and the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities not later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase. All investments on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any investments. If before an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give investment directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Portfolio Manager within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account. If the Trustee does not thereupon receive written instructions from the Portfolio Manager within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall invest and reinvest the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that are overnight funds. If after an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give investment directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall invest and reinvest the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that are overnight funds. All interest and other income from the investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from the investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from the investments shall be charged to the Collection Account.

(c) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall at all times direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, invest all funds on deposit in the Securities Lending Account in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. All investments on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any investments. The interest on the Eligible Investments shall be allocated between the Issuer and the Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the related Securities Lending Agreement. If before an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give investment directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Portfolio Manager within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Securities Lending Account. If the Trustee does not thereupon receive written instructions from the Portfolio Manager within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall invest and reinvest the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that mature no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. If after an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give investment directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall invest and reinvest the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing no later than the Business Day before the stated

termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. All interest and other income from the investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from the investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from the investments shall be charged to the Collection Account.

(d) The Trustee agrees to give the Issuer notice as soon as reasonably practicable if a Trust Officer obtains actual knowledge that any Account or any funds on deposit in any Account, or otherwise to the credit of an Account, shall become subject to any writ, order, judgment, warrant of attachment, execution, or similar process. All Accounts shall remain at all times with the Custodian or a financial institution having a long-term debt rating of at least "Baa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) by Moody's and at least "BBB+" by S&P and having combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000 that has entered into a securities account control agreement substantially in the form of Exhibit G.

(e) The Trustee shall supply, in a timely fashion, to the Co-Issuers and the Portfolio Manager any information regularly maintained by the Trustee that the Co-Issuers or the Portfolio Manager may from time to time request with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the Accounts, the Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral and provide any other requested information reasonably available to the Trustee because of its acting as Trustee under this Indenture and required to be provided by Section 10.6, to permit the Portfolio Manager to perform its obligations under the Management Agreement. The Trustee shall promptly forward to the Portfolio Manager copies of notices and other writings received by it from the issuer of any Collateral Obligation or from any Clearing Agency with respect to any Collateral Obligation which notices or writings advise the holders of the security of any rights that the holders might have with respect to the Collateral Obligation (including requests to vote with respect to amendments or waivers and notices of prepayments and redemptions) as well as all periodic financial reports received from the issuer and Clearing Agencies with respect to the issuer.

(f) To the extent monies deposited in any Account exceed amounts insured by the Bank Insurance Fund or Savings Association Insurance Fund administered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, or any agencies succeeding to its insurance functions, and are not fully collateralized by direct obligations of the United States of America, the excess shall be invested in Eligible Investments as described above.

#### Section 10.5. ***Synthetic Security Counterparty Account.***

(a) To the extent that any Synthetic Security requires the Issuer to secure its obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee and the Trustee shall establish a segregated non-interest bearing trust account for the Synthetic Security which shall be held in trust for the benefit of the related Synthetic Security Counterparty and over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and this Indenture (a "***Synthetic Security Counterparty Account***"). In the alternative, a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account may be established with a trustee designated by the Synthetic Security Counterparty if that trustee would qualify to be a successor trustee under Section 6.8 and the account satisfies the other requirements of this Section.

As directed in writing by the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee shall deposit (or deliver for deposit) into each Synthetic Security Counterparty Account all amounts or securities that are required to secure the obligations of the Issuer in accordance with the related Synthetic Security, including the entire notional amount of any Synthetic Security in the form of a credit default swap or other similar transaction. The Portfolio Manager shall direct any such deposit only during the Reinvestment Period and only to the extent that monies are available for the purchase of Collateral Obligations pursuant to this Indenture. Any income received on amounts in the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall, after application in accordance with the relevant Synthetic Security, be withdrawn from the

Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Interest Proceeds.

(b) As directed by the Portfolio Manager in writing and in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and this Indenture, amounts on deposit in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be invested in Synthetic Security Collateral.

(c) In connection with the occurrence of a credit event or an event of default or a termination event (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security) under the related Synthetic Security, amounts in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be withdrawn by the Trustee (or the Trustee shall request their withdrawal) and applied toward the payment of any amounts payable by the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the Synthetic Security, as directed by the Portfolio Manager in writing. Any excess amounts held in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, or held directly by a Synthetic Security Counterparty, after payment of all amounts owing from the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the related Synthetic Security shall be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Principal Proceeds.

(d) Amounts on deposit in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the Synthetic Security that relates to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer (with the notional amount as the Principal Balance unless a default exists under the applicable Synthetic Security).

#### Section 10.6. ***Accountings.***

(a) *Monthly.* Commencing the earlier of (a) the first full month after the Ramp-Up Completion Date and (b) the Payment Date in February, 2006, (i) in the case of a month in which there is no Payment Date, not later than the eighth Business Day after the last calendar day of such month and (ii) in the case of a month in which there is a Payment Date, on such Payment Date, the Issuer shall cause to be compiled and provided to the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares), the Placement Agents, each Hedge Counterparty, the Rating Agencies, (if so requested by the Placement Agents) the Repository in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(viii) or each Holder of a Security who makes a written request therefor, and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, the Beneficial Owner (or its designee), a monthly report (the "**Monthly Report**"). Each Monthly Report shall be accompanied by a Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice. The Monthly Report shall contain the following information, determined as of (1) in the case of a month in which there is no Payment Date, the last day of the applicable month and (2) in the case of a month in which there is a Payment Date, the Determination Date for such Payment Date, based in part on information provided by the Portfolio Manager (the "Monthly Determination Date"):

(i) Portfolio:

(A) The Aggregate Principal Balance (and, in the case of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its funded and unfunded amount), interest rate, Stated Maturity, and obligor of each Collateral Obligation;

(B) The stated principal balance of Defaulted Collateral Obligations;

(C) The identity of all Collateral Obligations and all obligations that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange do not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that were released for sale or other disposition (and, for each obligation sold,

indicating whether sold as a Credit Risk Obligation, a Credit Improved Obligation, a Current-Pay Obligation, a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, a Workout Asset, or an obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation or whether sold in connection with any withholding tax pursuant to Section 12.1(e) or sold as a discretionary sale pursuant to Section 12.1(h)); and the identity of all Collateral Obligations that were acquired, in each case since the date of the previous Monthly Report;

(D) The obligor of each Workout Asset;

(E) The Purchase Price of each Collateral Obligation acquired, the sale price of each Collateral Obligation sold (or the adjusted purchase or sale price with respect to any exchange of securities requiring an allocation by the Portfolio Manager) since the date of the previous Monthly Report, and the gain or loss (measured against its Purchase Price) on each sale;

(F) The identity of each Collateral Obligation (1) that is a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, a Workout Asset or a PIK Security, and in the case of a PIK Security (i) the principal amount of previously deferred or capitalized interest and (ii) the change in the principal amount of previously deferred or capitalized interest since the most recent Monthly Report or (2) in respect of which an obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation has been received, in each case indicating the date of such default, as applicable, and reporting any Other Indebtedness, as defined in clause (ii) in the definition of "Defaulted Collateral Obligation," that the Portfolio Manager has determined not to be material;

(G) The S&P Industry Classification and the Moody's Industry Classification for each Collateral Obligation and the five highest concentrations of Collateral Obligations in the Moody's Industry Classification groups and the five highest concentrations of Collateral Obligations in the S&P Industry Classification groups;

(H) For each Collateral Obligation, the country of the obligor (and the related foreign currency debt rating) and, in the case of a country other than the United States of America, whether the obligor is Domiciled in a Moody's Group I Country, Moody's Group II Country, or Moody's Group III Country and the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations issued by issuers in the applicable country;

(I) For each Collateral Obligation, the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate and S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate;

(J) For each Collateral Obligation, the S&P Rating, and if any S&P Rating for any Collateral Obligation in any Monthly Report is a credit estimate, "non-public" rating or "shadow" rating, the rating shall not be disclosed, but shall be replaced with an asterisk in the place of the applicable credit estimate, "non-public" rating or "shadow" rating;

(K) For each Collateral Obligation, the Moody's Rating and the Moody's Rating Factor, determined, for this purpose, and set forth both with and without regard to whether the Collateral Obligation has been put on watch for possible upgrade or downgrade, and if any Moody's Rating for any Collateral Obligation in any Monthly Report is an "estimated" or "shadow" rating, the rating shall not be disclosed, but shall be replaced with an asterisk in the place of the applicable "estimated" or "shadow" rating;

(L) The Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that have a



Moody's Rating of "Caa1" or lower;

(M) The Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that have an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower;

(N) For each Collateral Obligation that is a Participation or a Synthetic Security or is loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement, the related Secondary Risk Counterparty and each Rating Agency's long-term unsecured debt rating of the Secondary Risk Counterparty;

(O) Certain S&P benchmarks relating to the portfolio as provided by S&P in the S&P CDO Monitor regardless whether or not the S&P CDO Monitor passes or fails, including (1) S&P Default Measure (Annualized Portfolio Default Rate), (2) S&P Variability Measure (Annualized Standard Deviation of Portfolio Default Rate), (3) S&P Correlation Measure (Ratio of Standard Deviation of Portfolio with Correlation to Standard Deviation of Portfolio without Correlation), and (4) Weighted Average Default Correlation;

(P) The identity and Market Value of each Collateral Obligation whose Market Value (in the determination of the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator) was determined pursuant to last proviso in the definition of "Market Value";

(Q) The identity of each Collateral Obligation participated from or entered into with a Secondary Risk Counterparty; and

(R) The identity of each Collateral Obligation owned by the Issuer that has not been disposed of within the time limits required by this Indenture.

(ii) Accounts:

(A) The amount of any proceeds in the Collection Account, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds (excluding Uninvested Proceeds), and Uninvested Proceeds;

(B) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Revolving Reserve Account;

(C) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account;

(D) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account;

(E) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Securities Lending Account; and

(F) The amount of any proceeds in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account;

(iii) Hedge Agreements:

(A) The outstanding notional amount of each Hedge Agreement; and

(B) The amount scheduled to be received and paid by the Issuer pursuant to each Hedge Agreement on the next Payment Date (as specified by the calculation agent under each Hedge Agreement);

(iv) Coverage Tests, Collateral Quality Tests and Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test:

(A) The Overcollateralization Ratios and the Overcollateralization Ratios as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date; a statement as to whether each of the Overcollateralization Tests is satisfied and a statement as to whether the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test is satisfied;

(B) The Interest Coverage Ratios and, on and after the second Payment Date, a statement as to whether each of the Interest Coverage Tests is satisfied;

(C) The Diversity Score and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Diversity Test is satisfied;

(D) The Weighted Average Life of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied;

(E) The Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate, the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test with respect to the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate and Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test with respect to the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate is satisfied;

(F) The Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied and a statement as to the amount of Spread Excess was used to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test;

(G) The Weighted Average Spread of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied and a statement as to the amount of Fixed Rate Excess was used to satisfy the Weighted Average Spread Test;

(H) The Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied; and

(I) The S&P CDO Monitor Test and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied and the Class Scenario Loss Rate and the then applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate with respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P and the adjusted Weighted Average Spread level determined as set forth in the definition of "Note Break-Even Loss Rate";

(v) Concentration Limitations and Withholding Taxes:

(A) The percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount itemized against each element of the Concentration Limitations and a statement as to whether each Concentration Limitation is satisfied; and

(B) Any withholding tax on payments under any Collateral Obligation;

(vi) Securities Lending Agreements:

(A) Each Collateral Obligation loaned or borrowed pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount that represents Collateral Obligations that are loaned or borrowed pursuant to Securities Lending Agreements; and

(B) With respect to each Securities Lending Agreement in effect as of the Monthly Determination Date, a list setting forth:

(1) for each Collateral Obligation loaned or borrowed under it as of the first day of the loan, (x) its Principal Balance, (y) its Market Value, and (z) its Principal Balance expressed as a percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount,

(2) the term of the loan of the Collateral Obligation,

(3) the expiration date of the Securities Lending Agreement,

(4) the Moody's Rating and S&P Rating for each loaned or borrowed Collateral Obligation,

(5) the principal amount of the related Securities Lending Collateral held in the Securities Lending Account, and

(6) the Eligible Investments held as Securities Lending Collateral pursuant to the related Securities Lending Agreement; and

(vii) Any other information the Trustee reasonably requests.

Upon receipt of each Monthly Report, the Trustee shall compare the information contained in the Monthly Report to the information contained in its records with respect to the Collateral and shall, within three Business Days after receipt of such Monthly Report, notify the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Portfolio Manager if the information contained in the Monthly Report does not conform to the information maintained by the Trustee with respect to the Collateral, and shall detail any discrepancies. In the event that any discrepancy exists, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Portfolio Manager shall attempt to resolve the discrepancy. If such discrepancy cannot be promptly resolved, the Trustee shall within five Business Days after notification of such discrepancy cause the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8 to review such Monthly Report and the Trustee's records to determine the cause of such discrepancy. If such review reveals an error in the Monthly Report or the Trustee's records, the Monthly Report or the Trustee's records shall be revised accordingly and, as so revised, shall be used in making all calculations pursuant to this Indenture and notice of any error in the Monthly Report shall be sent as soon as practicable by the Issuer to all recipients of the report. If the review by the Independent accountants does not resolve the discrepancy, the Trustee, upon receipt of an Officer's certificate of the Portfolio Manager certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Portfolio Manager, the information contained in the related Monthly Report is correct, shall conform the information it maintains to the Monthly Report received.

(b) *Payment Date Accounting.* The Issuer shall cause to be rendered an accounting report (the "**Valuation Report**"), determined as of the close of business on each Determination Date, and provided to the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares), the Issuer, the Placement Agent, each Hedge Counterparty, the Rating Agencies, each Noteholder (if so requested by the Placement Agent), each Combination Securityholder (if so requested by the Placement Agent) the Repository in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(viii), the Depository (with instructions to forward it to each of its Agent Members who are holders of Securities), and upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner and the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) not later than the

second Business Day preceding the related Payment Date. Each Valuation Report shall be accompanied by a Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice. The Valuation Report shall contain the following information as of the related Payment Date (unless otherwise stated), based in part on information provided by the Portfolio Manager:

(i) Securities:

(A) The amount of principal payments to be made on each Class of Notes and Combination Securities on the related Payment Date;

(B) The Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes and Combination Securities after giving effect to any principal payments on the related Payment Date and, for each Class of Securities, the percentage of its initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount that amount represents;

(C) For each Class of Securities, the percentage of the initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all of the Securities that its initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount represented and, after giving effect to any principal payments on the related Payment Date, the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all of the Securities that its Aggregate Outstanding Amount represents;

(D) The interest payable in respect of each Class of Notes and Combination Securities on the related Payment Date (in the aggregate and by Class) and its calculation in reasonable detail;

(E) For each Class of Combination Securities its Combination Security Rated Balance; and

(F) The amounts to be paid, if any, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payments on the Preference Shares on the related Payment Date, showing separately the payments from Interest Proceeds and the payments from Principal Proceeds;

(ii) Payment Date Payments:

(A) The amounts to be distributed under each clause of Sections 11.1(a)(i), 11.1(a)(ii) and 11.2 itemized by clause, and to the extent applicable, by type of distribution under the clause; and

(B) Any amounts payable under the Hedge Agreements by any Hedge Counterparty on or before the related Payment Date and its calculation in reasonable detail (as specified by the calculation agent under the Hedge Agreement);

(iii) Accounts:

(A) The amount of any proceeds in the Collection Account, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds (excluding Uninvested Proceeds) and Uninvested Proceeds;

(B) The amount in the Collection Account after all payments and deposits to be made on the related Payment Date, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds and as Principal Proceeds;

(C) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Revolving Reserve Account;

(D) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account;

(E) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account;

(F) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Securities Lending Account;

(G) The amount in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account; and

(H) The amount in the Expense Reimbursement Account;

(iv) A notice setting forth LIBOR, as calculated by the Calculation Agent, for the next Interest Period and each Note Interest Rate for the next Payment Date; and

(v) Any other information the Trustee reasonably requests.

Upon receipt of each Valuation Report, the Trustee shall compare the information contained in the Valuation Report to the information contained in its records with respect to the Collateral and shall, within three Business Days after receipt of such Valuation Report, notify the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Portfolio Manager if the information contained in the Valuation Report does not conform to the information maintained by the Trustee with respect to the Collateral, and shall detail any discrepancies. In the event that any discrepancy exists, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Portfolio Manager shall attempt to resolve the discrepancy. If such discrepancy cannot be promptly resolved, the Trustee shall within five Business Days after notification of such discrepancy cause the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8 to review such Valuation Report and the Trustee's records to determine the cause of such discrepancy. If such review reveals an error in the Valuation Report or the Trustee's records, the Valuation Report or the Trustee's records shall be revised accordingly and, as so revised, shall be used in making all calculations pursuant to this Indenture and notice of any error in the Valuation Report shall be sent as soon as practicable by the Issuer to all recipients of such report. If the review by the Independent accountants does not resolve the discrepancy, the Trustee, upon receipt of an Officer's certificate of the Portfolio Manager certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Portfolio Manager, the information contained in the related Valuation Report is correct, shall conform the information it maintains to the Valuation Report received.

(c) *Failure to Provide Accounting.* If the Trustee shall not have received any accounting provided for in Section 10.6(b) on the first Business Day after the date on which the accounting is due to the Trustee, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager, and the Portfolio Manager shall use all reasonable efforts to cause the accounting to be made by the applicable Payment Date. To the extent the Trustee is required to provide any information or reports pursuant to this Section 10.6 as a result of the failure of the Issuer (or anyone acting on the Issuer's behalf) to provide the information or reports, the Trustee may retain an Independent certified public accountant in connection therewith and the reasonable costs incurred by the Trustee for the Independent certified public accountant shall be reimbursed pursuant to Section 6.7.

(d) *Cayman Islands Stock Exchange.* So long as any Class of Securities is listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange: (i) the Trustee shall communicate to the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each listed Class of Notes following each Payment Date and inform the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange if any such Class of Notes did not receive scheduled payments of principal or interest on the Payment Date; (ii) the Trustee shall inform the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange if the ratings assigned to the Notes or the Class 1 Combination Securities are reduced or withdrawn and the information shall be given to the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange; and (iii) the Trustee shall inform the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange, in advance, of the Note Interest Rate for each such Class, as well as the exact date of the following Payment Date.

(e) *Quarterly Letter.* The Portfolio Manager shall provide a quarterly letter to the recipients of the Valuation Report highlighting events occurring during the related quarterly period within 30 days of the date of the delivery of the Valuation Report.

(f) *S&P CDO Monitor.* On or after the Ramp-Up Completion Date and together with each Monthly Report, the Issuer shall provide to S&P a Microsoft Excel File of the S&P Monitor input file and, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, the name of the obligor thereon, the CUSIP number thereof (if applicable) and the S&P Priority Category thereof.

(g) *Payments or Transfers from the Payment Account.* Each Valuation Report shall constitute instructions to the Trustee to withdraw on the related Payment Date from the Payment Account and pay or transfer amounts set forth in such Valuation Report in the manner specified and in accordance with the priority established in Section 11.1 hereof.

(h) *NAV Calculation.* The Trustee shall forward to the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares), the Placement Agents, each Hedge Counterparty, the Rating Agencies, (if so requested by the Placement Agent) the Repository in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(viii) or each Holder of a Security who makes a written request therefor, and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, the Beneficial Owner (or its designee), any net asset value report with respect to the Issuer which the Trustee receives from the asset value calculation agent appointed pursuant to Section 10.8(a) hereof.

**Section 10.7. *Release of Collateral.***

(a) The Trustee shall present Collateral for redemption or payment in full in accordance with the terms of the Collateral upon receipt of an Issuer Order. If no Event of Default is continuing, the Issuer may, by Issuer Order executed by an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager, delivered to the Trustee at least two Business Days before the settlement date for any sale of an obligation certifying that the sale of the Collateral is being made in accordance with Sections 12.1 and 12.3 and the sale complies with all applicable requirements of Section 12.1, direct the Trustee to release the Collateral and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall deliver any such Collateral, if in physical form, duly endorsed to the broker or purchaser designated in the Issuer Order or otherwise cause an appropriate transfer of it to be made, in each case against receipt of the sales price therefor as specified by the Portfolio Manager in the Issuer Order. The Trustee may deliver any such Collateral in physical form for examination pursuant to a bailee letter.

(b) If no Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall upon an Issuer Order executed by an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager deliver any Pledged Obligation that is set for any mandatory call or redemption or payment in full to the appropriate paying agent on or before the date set for the call, redemption, or payment, in each case against receipt of its call or redemption price or payment in full and provide notice of it to the Portfolio Manager.

(c) Upon receiving actual notice of any Offer, the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer shall notify the Portfolio Manager of any Collateral Obligation that is subject to a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion, or other similar action (an "Offer"). If no Event of Default is continuing, the Portfolio Manager may direct the Trustee to accept or participate in or decline or refuse to participate in the Offer and, in the case of acceptance or participation, to dispose of the Collateral Obligation in accordance with the Offer against receipt of payment for it. If the consideration to be received by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation is other than Cash, the consideration must be a Collateral Obligation that would be eligible for purchase by the Issuer pursuant to Section 12.2 assuming for this purpose that the Issuer committed to purchase the same on the date on which the Issuer accepts the Offer.

(d) Upon disposition by the Trustee of Collateral to any person against receipt of payment therefore as provided in any of the foregoing clauses (a), (b), or (c), the Collateral shall be free of the lien of this Indenture. The lien shall continue in the proceeds received from the disposition.

(e) As provided in Section 10.2(b), the Trustee shall deposit any proceeds received by it from the disposition of a Pledged Obligation in the Collection Account, unless simultaneously applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or Eligible Investments as permitted under and in accordance with the requirements of this Article 10 and Article 12.

(f) The Trustee shall, upon receipt of an Issuer Order when no Securities are Outstanding and all obligations of the Co-Issuers under this Indenture have been satisfied, as evidenced by an Officer's Certificate or an Opinion of Counsel, release any remaining Collateral from the lien of this Indenture.

(g) The Trustee shall release from the lien of this Indenture any Collateral that is provided directly to a Synthetic Securities Counterparty or deposited in a segregated account in accordance with Section 10.5. Any Collateral or proceeds received by or redeposited by the Issuer into the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.5 shall again be subject to the lien of this Indenture.

Any collateral deposited in a segregated account in accordance with Section 10.3(d), (e), and (f) shall be subject to the lien of this Indenture for the benefit of the Secured Parties. Any collateral withdrawn by the Issuer in accordance with Section 10.3(d), (e), and (f) shall be released from the lien of this Indenture by the Trustee to the extent returned to the appropriate counterparty pursuant to Sections 10.3(d), (e), and (f).

**Section 10.8. *Reports by Independent Accountants.***

(a) At the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, shall appoint a firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation for purposes of preparing and delivering the reports or certificates of the accountants required by this Indenture. Within 30 days of any resignation by the firm, the Issuer, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, shall promptly appoint by Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee and each Rating Agency a successor firm that is a firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation. If the Issuer, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, fails to appoint a successor to a firm of Independent certified public accountants which has resigned within 30 days after the resignation, the Trustee, in consultation with the Portfolio Manager, shall promptly appoint a successor firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation. In addition, the Issuer shall appoint an net asset value calculation agent to prepare and deliver to the Trustee a net asset value report with respect to the Issuer. The fees of such Independent certified public accountants, the NAV calculation agent and their respective successors shall be payable by the Issuer as an Administrative Expense.

(b) On or before November 30 of each year commencing in 2006, the Issuer shall cause to be delivered to the Trustee the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Portfolio Manager or each Noteholder or Holder of Preference Shares upon written request therefor, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) and each Rating Agency a statement from a firm of Independent certified public accountants indicating (i) that the firm has reviewed each Valuation Report received since the last review and applicable information from the Trustee, (ii) that the calculations within those Valuation Reports have been performed in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture (except as otherwise noted in the statement), and

(iii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the preceding Determination Date. If a conflict exists between the firm of Independent certified public accountants and the Issuer with respect to any matter in this Section 10.7, the determination by that firm of Independent public accountants shall be conclusive. The statement shall be in the form of an Accountant's Certificate issued to the Issuer, the form of which shall be agreed on by the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer.

(c) Upon the written request of the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any Holder of Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the firm of Independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to Section 10.7(a) to provide any Holder of Preference Shares with all information requested pursuant to Section 7.17(g) or provide the Issuer with any assistance required in its preparation.

Section 10.9. ***Reports to Rating Agencies.***

In addition to the information and reports specifically required to be provided to each Rating Agency pursuant to this Indenture, the Issuer shall provide each Rating Agency with the Accountants' Certificates delivered to the Trustee under this Indenture, and such additional information as either Rating Agency may from time to time reasonably request. In addition, any notices of restructurings and amendments received by the Issuer or the Trustee in connection with the Issuer's ownership of a DIP Loan shall be delivered by the Issuer or the Trustee, as the case may be, promptly to the Rating Agencies.

ARTICLE 11

APPLICATION OF MONIES

Section 11.1. ***Disbursements of Monies from Payment Account.***

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision in this Indenture, but subject to the other subsections of this Section 11.1 and to Section 13.1, on each Payment Date, the Trustee shall disburse available amounts from the Payment Account as follows and for application by the Trustee in accordance with the following priorities (the "Priority of Payments"):

(i) On each Payment Date, Interest Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period (other than Interest Proceeds previously used during such Due Period to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations or otherwise used as permitted by Section 10.2) shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

(1) to the payment of any taxes and registration and filing fees owed by the Co-Issuers (without limit) and then to the payment of Administrative Expenses up to the Administrative Expense Cap as follows:

FIRST, in the following order of priority,

- (i) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Trustee; and then
- (ii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Collateral Administrator; and then
- (iii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Preference Shares Paying Agent; and

SECOND, in the following order of priority,

- (x) fees and expenses of the Administrator; and then



(y) fees and expenses of the Co-Issuers (including fees and expenses of counsel and surveillance, credit estimate, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies) and any other person (except the Portfolio Manager) if specifically provided for in this Indenture, and to the expenses (but not fees) of the Portfolio Manager if payable under the Management Agreement;

(2) the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts paid pursuant to clause (1) above to deposit into the Expense Reimbursement Account;

(3) to the payment to the Portfolio Manager of any accrued and unpaid Senior Management Fee then payable; *provided*, that no such payment shall be made pursuant to this clause (3) to the extent that such payment: (x) represents unpaid Senior Management Fee deferred by the Portfolio Manager in respect of a prior Payment Date and (ii) would result in monies being unavailable to pay the amounts pursuant to clause (5) below in full on such Payment Date;

(4) to the payment of all amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements (if any) other than any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;

(5) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes (with distributions being made to the Holders of the class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes pro rata based upon the amount of accrued and unpaid interest and accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest owing in respect of the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes);

(6) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class B Notes;

(7) if the Class A/B Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes in the Note Payment Sequence in the amount necessary so that all of the Class A/B Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (7) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(1) on the current Payment Date);

(8) First, to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class C Notes (excluding Class C Deferred Interest, but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class C Deferred Interest) and Second, to the payment of Class C Deferred Interest;

(9) if the Class C Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class C Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (9) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(2) on the current Payment Date);

(10) First, to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class D Notes (excluding Class D Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class D Deferred Interest) and Second, to the payment of Class D Deferred Interest;

(11) if the Class D Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class D Notes in the amount necessary so that all of the Class D Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full, or if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that a Rating Confirmation is obtained, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (11) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(3) on the current Payment Date);

(12) to deposit in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds amounts representing Principal Proceeds previously used to pay amounts referred to in clauses (1) and (3) through (6) above and not previously restored to the Collection Account or, if not restored to the Collection Account, used to purchase Collateral Obligations;

(13) if the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, for deposit to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds the lesser of (i) 50% of the remaining Interest Proceeds available after the payments pursuant to clause (12) above and (ii) the amount necessary to cause the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as of such Determination Date, after application of funds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(1) on the current Payment Date;

(14) to the payment of any remaining Administrative Expenses not paid under clause (1) above in the respective priorities specified in clause (1);

(15) to the payment First, to the Portfolio Manager of accrued and unpaid Subordinated Management Fee then due and payable and Second, to each Holder of Securities entitled thereto, the applicable Extension Bonus Payment pursuant to, and in accordance with, Section 2.4(g);

(16) to the payment of any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;

(17) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 15.0%;

(18) to the payment to the Portfolio Manager of the Incentive Management Fee, if applicable; and

(19) any remaining Interest Proceeds, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

(ii) On each Payment Date, Principal Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period other than:

(A) Principal Proceeds previously reinvested in Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or otherwise used as permitted by Section 10.2,

(B) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, or the Securities Lending Account, and

(C) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed Purchase Prices for Collateral Obligations with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment before the end of the Due Period for their purchase, but has not settled the purchase by the end of the Due Period,

shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

(1) (x) first, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (1) and (3) through (6) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (y) second, to the payment of amounts referred to in clause (7) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class A/B Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (1), or until such amounts are paid in full;

(2) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (9) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class C Coverage Tests to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (2), or until such amounts are paid in full;

(3) if the Class D Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary, after application of the amounts referred to in clause (11) of Section 11.1(a)(i)(11) so that all of the Class D Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause (3), or until paid in full;

(4) if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, to the payment of principal of the Notes in the Note Payment Sequence in an amount necessary to obtain a Rating Confirmation, or until paid in full;

(5)

(A) if the Payment Date is a Redemption Date in the following order of priority: (i) to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of the Redemption Prices of all of the Notes to be redeemed, (ii) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (14) through (18) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (iii) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares of the Redemption Price of any Preference Shares to be redeemed; and

(B) if the Payment Date is a Special Redemption Date, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of the Notes in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount, in each case until paid in full;

(6) during the Reinvestment Period, all remaining Principal Proceeds to the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.19 and Article 12 (and, until so applied (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), to be deposited in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds);

(7) after the Reinvestment Period, (i) first, at the discretion of the Portfolio Manager (with respect to Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations) to the purchase or funding of substitute Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the applicable provisions of this Indenture when appropriate Collateral Obligations are available, and until such time, to the Collection Account for the purchase of Eligible Investments; and (ii) second, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes until paid in full;

(8) after the Reinvestment Period, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (8) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(9) after the Reinvestment Period, to the payment of principal of the Class C Notes until paid in full;

(10) after the Reinvestment Period, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (10) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(11) after the Reinvestment Period, to the payment of principal of the Class D Notes until paid in full;

(12) after the Reinvestment Period and to the extent not previously paid in full under clause (4) above, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (14) through (16) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(13) after giving effect to payments pursuant to clause (17) of Section 11.1(a)(i) and clause 5(A) above, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 15.0%;

(14) after the Reinvestment Period, to the payment to the Portfolio Manager of the Incentive Management Fee, if applicable; and

(15) after the Reinvestment Period, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

The calculation on any Coverage Test on any Measurement Date shall be made by giving effect to all payments to be made pursuant to all subclauses of the Priority of Payments as applicable, payable on the Payment Date following such Measurement Date. In addition no Principal Proceeds will be used to pay a subordinated Class on a Payment Date if, after giving effect to such payment, any Coverage Test of a more senior Class of Notes is failing on such Payment Date or would fail as a result of such application of the Principal Proceeds on such Payment Date.

(b) If on any Payment Date the amount available in the Payment Account is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by the Valuation Report, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for in the order and according to the priority under Section 11.1(a), subject to Section 13.1, to the extent funds are available therefor.

(c) The Trustee shall remit funds to pay Administrative Expenses of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in accordance with Section 11.1(a), to the extent available, to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer as directed and designated in an Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions) delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before each Payment Date.

(d) If the Hedge Counterparty defaults in the payment of its obligations to the Issuer under the respective Hedge Agreements on the date on which any payment is due thereunder, the Trustee shall make a demand on the Hedge Counterparty, or any guarantor, if applicable, demanding payment by 12:30 p.m., New York time, on that date. The Trustee shall give notice to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Portfolio Manager and each Rating Agency upon the continuing failure by the Hedge Counterparty to perform its obligations during the two Business Days following a demand made by the Trustee on, the Hedge Counterparty, and shall take the action with respect to the continuing failure as directed by the Portfolio Manager unless an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing in which case direction is to be taken pursuant to Section 5.13.

(e) Except as otherwise expressly provided in Section 11.1(a) above, if on any Payment Date, the amount available in the Payment Account from amounts received in the related Due Period is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by any numbered or lettered paragraph or clause of Section 11.1(a) to different persons, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for by the paragraph or clause ratably in accordance with the respective amounts of the disbursements then payable, subject to Section 13.1, to the extent funds are available therefor.

(f) On each Payment Date on which distributions are made in respect of the Class C Notes, a portion of such payment will be allocated to the Class 1 Combination Securities in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class 1 Note Component bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes. On each Payment Date on which distributions are made in respect of the Preference Shares, a portion of such payment will be allocated to the Combination Securities in the proportion that the aggregate Face Amount of the relevant Preference Share Component bears to the aggregate Face Amount of the Preference Shares.

#### Section 11.2. ***Class 2 Component Distributions***

(a) On the Business Day immediately following any Business Day that proceeds from the Class 2 Bond are deposited in the Class 2 Component Account as a result of the maturity of such Class 2 Bond or upon the early liquidation of such Class 2 Bond as a result of an Event of Default pursuant to Section 5.1(b) (the "***Class 2 Component Payment Date***"), the Trustee shall disburse the proceeds from the maturity or liquidation of the Class 2 Bond on deposit in the Class 2 Component Account to the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities, *pro rata* based on their share of the Class 2 Combination Security Rated Balance in accordance with subclause (b) below.

(b) On each Class 2 Component Payment Date, the Trustee shall disburse available amounts from the Class 2 Component Account as follows:

(i) if such Class 2 Component Payment Date occurs prior to a Redemption Date on which the Preference Shares relating to the Preference Share Component have been redeemed in whole, to the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities, *pro rata* based on their share of the Class 2 Combination Security Rated Balance; and

(ii) if such Class 2 Component Payment Date occurs after a Redemption Date on which the Preference Shares relating to the Preference Share Component have been redeemed in whole,

(A) FIRST, to the payment of any taxes and registration and filing fees owed by the Co-Issuers (without limit) and then to the payment of any accrued and unpaid Administrative Expenses; and

(B) SECOND, to the Holders of the Class 2 Combination Securities, *pro rata* based on their share of the Class 2 Combination Security Rated Balance.

(c) In the event that the Class 2 Component Payment Date occurs prior to a Redemption Date on which the Preference Shares relating to the Preference Share Component have been redeemed in whole, immediately following such Class 2 Component Payment Date, the Preference Share Component of the Class 2 Combination Securities shall be exchanged (and the Holder of such Class 2 Combination Securities shall be deemed to have requested such exchange without any action or request by such Holder) for the Preference Shares underlying such Preference Share Component in accordance with Section 2.6(g)(iii).

## ARTICLE 12

### SALE OF COLLATERAL OBLIGATIONS; PURCHASE OF COLLATERAL OBLIGATIONS

#### Section 12.1. *Sales of Collateral Obligations.*

Subject to the satisfaction of the conditions specified in Section 10.6, Section 12.1 and Section 12.3 and if no Event of Default is continuing as evidenced by an Officer's Certificate of the Portfolio Manager provided to the Trustee, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset if the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that the sale meets the requirements of any one of paragraphs (a) through (i) of this Section 12.1. If the Issuer sells any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset during the Reinvestment Period, the proceeds shall be reinvested in accordance with Section 12.2.

(a) *Credit Risk Obligations.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Risk Obligation at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Risk Obligation in accordance with such direction. Following any sale of a Credit Risk Obligation pursuant to this Section 12.1(a), at the direction of the Portfolio Manager during the Reinvestment Period, the Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (to the extent the purchase is in the best interest of the Issuer) with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Sale Proceeds received by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral Obligation sold. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount.

(b) *Credit Improved Obligations.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Improved Obligation if either:

(i) during the Reinvestment Period, the Portfolio Manager believes before the sale that it will be able to cause the Issuer to reinvest its Sale Proceeds, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria, in one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Credit Improved Obligation by the end of the immediately succeeding Due Period (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal

Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest); or

(ii) after the Reinvestment Period, the Sale Proceeds received in respect of the Credit Improved Obligation are at least equal to its Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest;

and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Improved Obligation in accordance with such direction. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this clause (b), the Portfolio Manager may not direct the sale of a Credit Improved Obligation during the period from and after notice of a removal or resignation of the Portfolio Manager has been delivered in accordance with the Management Agreement and until a successor portfolio manager has been appointed pursuant to the Management Agreement and has agreed in writing to assume all of the Portfolio Manager's duties and obligations pursuant to the Management Agreement and this Indenture.

(c) *Non-Performing Collateral Obligations and Current-Pay Obligations.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Current-Pay Obligation at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Current-Pay Obligation in accordance with such direction. Non-Performing Collateral Obligations may be sold regardless of price; provided that, the Principal Balance of any Collateral Obligation purchased with proceeds of any Current-Pay Obligation shall equal or exceed the Principal Balance of such Current-Pay Obligation that was sold.

(d) *Non-qualifying Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell that obligation in accordance with such direction.

(e) *Withholding Tax Sales.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation subject to withholding tax at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction.

(f) *Optional Redemption.* After the Issuer has notified the Trustee of an Optional Redemption of the Notes in accordance with Article 9, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all or a portion of the Collateral Obligations as contemplated therein if (i) the requirements of Article 9 are satisfied and (ii) the Independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to Section 10.7 have confirmed the calculations contained in any required certificate furnished by the Portfolio Manager pursuant to Section 9.3(c). After a Majority of the Preference Shares have directed an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares in accordance with Section 9.2(b), at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all of the remaining Collateral Obligations (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(i)) or a portion of the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous directions of Holders of the Preference Shares (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii)) and the Trustee shall sell the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

(g) *Rating Confirmation Failure.* After the Portfolio Manager has received notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the

Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, direct the Trustee to sell Collateral Obligations as contemplated in Section 9.1 and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

(h) *Discretionary Sales.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation:

(i) at any time on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without regard to any restriction specified in clause (ii) below); and

(ii) at any time after the Ramp-Up Completion Date if:

(A) after giving effect to the sale and the sale of any other Collateral Obligations whose sale is pending, the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations sold pursuant to this Section 12.1(h)(ii) (in each case determined as of the date the direction to sell is given) is not greater than 20% of the Maximum Investment Amount as of January 1 of such calendar year (or, for the first calendar year, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date); and

(B) during the Reinvestment Period the Portfolio Manager believes before the sale that it will be able to cause the Issuer within 30 days thereafter to reinvest or commit to reinvest its Sale Proceeds, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria, in one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Collateral Obligation (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest);

and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction. However, if the rating by Moody's of any of the Class A-1 Notes or the Class A-2 Notes is one or more rating sub-categories below the Initial Rating of the Class A-1 Notes or the Class A-2 Notes or has been withdrawn or the rating by Moody's of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes is two or more rating sub-categories below the Initial Rating of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes has been withdrawn, the Issuer shall not instruct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligations pursuant to this Section 12.1(h). This restriction may be waived by written consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class. For the purposes of this subsection (h), any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not restrict the sale of any Collateral Obligations pursuant to this subsection (h) if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody's has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Class A-1 Notes or the Class A-2 Notes or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this clause (h), the Portfolio Manager may not direct the sale of a Credit Improved Obligation during the period from and after notice of a removal or resignation of the Portfolio Manager has been delivered in accordance with the Management Agreement and until a successor portfolio manager has been appointed pursuant to the Management Agreement and has agreed in writing to assume all of the Portfolio Manager's duties and obligations pursuant to the Management Agreement and this Indenture.

For the purposes of determining the percentage of Collateral Obligations sold during any period in Section 12.1(h)(ii):

(i) the amount of any Collateral Obligation sold shall be reduced:

(A) to the extent of any purchases of Collateral Obligations of the same obligor (that are *pari passu* with the sold Collateral Obligation) occurring within 30 Business Days of



the sale (determined based on the date of any relevant trade confirmation or commitment letter) (but only for so long as (x) the Collateral Obligations purchased have not been downgraded by any of the Rating Agencies during the 30 Business Day period, (y) the Collateral Obligations have not been purchased from the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates acting, in each case, as principal or from any funds or accounts advised or managed by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates, and (z) the purchase price of each Notes purchased Collateral Obligation must not exceed the sale price of the sold Collateral Obligation), and

(B) to the extent of any purchases of Collateral Obligations permitted pursuant to Section 12.2(c); and

(ii) any Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time that is invested into a substantially similar Synthetic Security but with a later maturity shall be treated as having been sold.

(i) *Workout Assets.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Workout Asset at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and regardless of price and the Trustee shall sell the Workout Assets in accordance with such direction.

#### Section 12.2. ***Purchase of Collateral Obligations.***

(a) On any date during the Reinvestment Period (and, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations, on any date after the Reinvestment Period), so long as no Event of Default is continuing, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to invest or reinvest Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations) in Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) if the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that, to the best knowledge of the Portfolio Manager, the conditions specified in this Section 12.2 and Section 12.3 are met.

(b) *Eligibility Criteria.* No obligations may be purchased unless each of the conditions in the following clauses (i) through (xii) (the "***Eligibility Criteria***") is satisfied as evidenced by a certificate of the Portfolio Manager as of the date the Issuer commits to make the purchase, in each case after giving effect to the purchase and all other purchases and sales previously or simultaneously committed to:

(i) the obligation is a Collateral Obligation;

(ii) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period:

(A) each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied and, if the commitment is made on or after the second Payment Date, each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied, or

(B) if any such Coverage Test is not satisfied, both:

(1) the extent of satisfaction of such Coverage Test is not reduced, and

(2) the Collateral Obligation is being purchased with Principal Proceeds other than:

(x) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, or

(y) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Workout Asset that has been received in exchange for a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;

(iii) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Diversity Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(iv) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(v) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, each of the limits in the definition of "Concentration Limitations" is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(vi) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(vii) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(viii) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(ix) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(x) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(xi) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced; provided, however, that this Eligibility Criterion (xi) shall not apply either to reinvestment of the proceeds from the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset or to the reinvestment of Principal Proceeds in respect of Defaulted Collateral Obligations; and

(xii) for any date occurring after the Reinvestment Period:

(A) each Coverage Test is satisfied and the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(B) each Collateral Quality Test is maintained or improved;

(C) each Concentration Limitation is maintained or improved;

(D) the maturity date of such Collateral Obligation will occur on or prior to the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied;

(E) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation is at least equal to the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments

or of the Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable; and

(F) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations to be purchased in connection with such sale must be no less than the aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations sold or prepaid.

(c) *Certain Permitted Exchanges.*

The Issuer may, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, exchange a Collateral Obligation for another Collateral Obligation in an A/B Exchange.

(d) *Certification by Portfolio Manager.* Not later than the Business Day preceding the settlement date for any Collateral Obligation purchased after the Closing Date (but in any event no later than the release of Cash for the Purchase Price of the purchase), the Portfolio Manager shall deliver to the Trustee an Officer's certificate of the Portfolio Manager certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Portfolio Manager, the purchase complies with this Section 12.2 and with Section 12.3 (determined as of the date that the Issuer commits to make the purchase).

(e) *Investment in Eligible Investments.* Cash on deposit in the Collection Account may be invested at any time in Eligible Investments in accordance with Section 10.4(a) pending investment in Collateral Obligations.

**Section 12.3. *Conditions Applicable to All Sale and Purchase Transactions.***

(a) Any sale or purchase by the Issuer of a Collateral Obligation shall be conducted on an arm's length basis and, if effected with the Portfolio Manager or a person Affiliated with the Portfolio Manager or any fund or account for which the Portfolio Manager or an Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager acts as investment adviser, shall be effected in accordance with the requirements of Section 5 of the Management Agreement on terms no less favorable to the Issuer than would be the case if the person were not so Affiliated. The Trustee shall have no responsibility to oversee compliance with this clause (a) by the other parties.

(b) Upon any acquisition of any Collateral Obligation, all of the Issuer's interest in the Collateral Obligation shall be Granted to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture.

**Section 12.4. *Certain Determinations Relating to Collateral Obligations.***

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Indenture, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have purchased any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer delivers to the Trustee a contract to purchase, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to receive such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have acquired, granted or delivered, as the case may be, such Collateral Obligations on such date. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Indenture, any certifications or other documents required to be delivered by the Portfolio Manager or the Issuer in connection with the purchase or sale of Collateral during the Reinvestment Period may be delivered by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on the settlement date for such Collateral even if such date occurs after the Reinvestment Period.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Indenture, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer delivers to the Trustee a contract to sell, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for

such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to sell, and requiring the purchaser to purchase, such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold such Collateral Obligations on such date.

(c) Under the circumstances described in subsections (a) and (b) above, if the transaction contemplated by the contract, commitment letter, confirmation or due bill referred to therein does not settle on or before the 60th day following the scheduled settlement date (the "**Deadline**"), the deemed purchase or sale shall be deemed not to have occurred; provided, however, that the Portfolio Manager shall have the right to extend the Deadline for an additional period (not to exceed an additional 60 days) by notice to the Trustee, which notice shall include the Portfolio Manager's certification to the effect that the Portfolio Manager believes that the settlement shall occur on or before the extended Deadline.

(d) Scheduled distributions with respect to any Pledged Collateral Obligation shall be determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture.

## ARTICLE 13

### NOTEHOLDERS' RELATIONS

#### Section 13.1. ***Subordination.***

(a) With respect to each Class of Notes and the Preference Shares, the Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares that are Priority Classes and Junior Classes are as follows:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Junior Classes</u>	<u>Priority Classes</u>
Class A-1	B, C, D, Preference Shares	None
Class A-2	B, C, D, Preference Shares	Class A-1
Class B	C, D, Preference Shares	Class A-1, Class A-2
Class C	D, Preference Shares	Class A-1, Class A-2, B
Class D	Preference Shares	Class A-1, Class A-2, B, C
Preference Shares	None*	Class A-1, Class A-2, B, C, D

\* The Preference Shares will be entitled to certain residual cashflow after payment of senior obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

(b) Anything in this Indenture or the Notes to the contrary notwithstanding, the Holders of each Class of Notes that is a Junior Class agree for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class that the Junior Class shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes of each Priority Class to the extent and in the manner provided in this Indenture. The Class 1 Note Components of a Class rank *pari passu* with the Notes of that Class. If any Event of Default has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs and is continuing in accordance with Article 5, each Priority Class of Notes shall be paid in full in Cash or, to the extent a Majority of the Class consents, other than in Cash, before any further payment or distribution is made on account of any Junior Class of Notes with respect to the Priority Class. The Holders of each Junior Class of Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class in respect of the Junior Class, not to cause the

filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for failure to pay to them amounts due to the Junior Class, of the Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or under this Indenture until the payment in full of the Priority Classes or all the Classes, as the case may be, and not before one year and a day, or if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, has elapsed since the payment.

(c) If, notwithstanding the provisions of this Indenture, any Holder of Notes of any Junior Class has received any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes contrary to the provisions of this Indenture, then, until each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class of Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, has been paid in full in Cash or, to the extent a Majority of the Priority Class or the Class, as the case may be, consents, other than in Cash in accordance with this Indenture, the payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, which shall pay and deliver the same to the Holders of the applicable Priority Classes of Notes or the Holders of all Classes of Notes, as the case may be, in accordance with this Indenture. If any such payment or distribution is made other than in Cash, it shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and subject in all respects to this Indenture, including this Section 13.1.

(d) Each Holder of Notes of any Junior Class agrees with all Holders of the applicable Priority Classes that the Holder of a Junior Class of Notes shall not demand, accept, or receive any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes in violation of this Indenture including this Section 13.1. After a Priority Class has been paid in full, the Holders of the Notes of the related Junior Class or Classes shall be fully subrogated to the rights of the Holders of the Priority Class. Nothing in this Section 13.1 shall affect the obligation of the Issuer to pay Holders of any Junior Class of Notes.

(e) Distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares are subordinate to distributions on the Notes and Preference Shares as described in the Priority of Payments.

(f) The Management Fees shall have priority only to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

(g) For purposes of subordination, the Combination Securities shall not be treated as a separate Class, but the Class 1 Note Component shall be treated as being *pari passu* with the Class C Notes and the Preference Share Components shall be treated as being *pari passu* with the Preference Shares.

#### Section 13.2. ***Standard of Conduct.***

In exercising any of its or their voting rights, rights to direct and consent, or any other rights as a Noteholder or a Combination Securityholder under this Indenture, a Noteholder or a Combination Securityholder shall not have any obligation or duty to any person or to consider or take into account the interests of any person and shall not be liable to any person for any action taken by it or them or at its or their direction or any failure by it or them to act or to direct that an action be taken, without regard to whether the action or inaction benefits or adversely affects any Noteholder, Combination Securityholder, the Issuer, or any other person, except for any liability to which the Noteholder or Combination Securityholder may be subject to the extent the same results from the Noteholders or Combination Securityholders taking or directing an action, or failing to take or direct an action, in bad faith or in violation of the express terms of this Indenture.

## ARTICLE 14

## MISCELLANEOUS

Section 14.1. *Form of Documents Delivered to Trustee.*

In any case where several matters are required to be certified by, or covered by an opinion of, any specified person, it is not necessary that all the matters be certified by, or covered by the opinion of, only one person, or that they be so certified or covered by only one document, but one such person may certify or give an opinion with respect to some matters and one or more other such persons as to other matters, and any such person may certify or give an opinion as to the matters in one or several documents.

Any certificate or opinion of an Officer of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the Portfolio Manager may be based, insofar as it relates to legal matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, counsel, unless the Officer knows, or should know that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to the matters upon which his certificate or opinion is based are erroneous. Any such certificate of an Officer of the Issuer, Co-Issuer, or the Portfolio Manager or Opinion of Counsel may be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, or any other person, stating that the information with respect to the factual matters is in the possession of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, or the other person, unless the Officer of the Issuer, Co-Issuer, or the Portfolio Manager or the counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to factual matters are erroneous. Any Opinion of Counsel may also be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, an Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, stating that the information with respect to factual matters is in the possession of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, unless the counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to factual matters are erroneous.

Where any person is required to make, give, or execute two or more applications, requests, consents, certificates, statements, opinions, or other instruments under this Indenture, they may, but need not, be consolidated and form one instrument.

Whenever this Indenture provides that the absence of the continuation of a Default or Event of Default is a condition precedent to the taking of any action by the Trustee at the request or direction of either Co-Issuer, then notwithstanding that the satisfaction of the condition is a condition precedent to the Co-Issuer's right to make the request or direction, the Trustee shall be protected in acting in accordance with the request or direction if it does not have knowledge of the continuation of the Default or Event of Default as provided in Section 6.1(d).

Section 14.2. *Acts of Noteholders, Combination Securityholders or Holders of Preference Shares.*

(a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver, or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or taken by Noteholders, Combination Securityholders or Holders of Preference Shares may be embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments of substantially similar tenor signed by Noteholders, Combination Securityholders or Holders of Preference Shares in person or by agents duly appointed in writing. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture the action shall become effective when the instruments are delivered to the Trustee (which instrument or instruments may be delivered through the Preference Shares Paying Agent, in the case of the Holders of the Preference Shares) and, if expressly required, to the Issuer. The instruments (and the action embodied in them) are referred to as the "Act" of the Noteholders, Combination Securityholders or the Holders of Preference Shares signing the instruments. Proof of execution of any instrument or of a writing appointing an agent for a Noteholder, Combination Securityholders or Holder of a Preference Share shall be sufficient for any purpose of this Indenture and conclusive in favor of the Trustee and the Issuer, if made in the manner provided in this Section.

(b) The fact and date of the execution by any person of any instrument may be proved by an affidavit of a witness to the execution or the certificate of any notary public or other person authorized by law to acknowledge the execution of deeds. Any certificate on behalf of a jural entity executed by a person purporting to have authority to act on behalf of the jural entity shall itself be sufficient proof of the authority of the person executing it to act. The fact and date of the execution by any person of any instrument may also be proved in any other manner that the Trustee deems sufficient.

(c) The Indenture Register shall prove the ownership of Securities and the principal amount and registered numbers of Securities and the number of Preference Shares held by and the number(s) of the Preference Share certificate(s) issued to, any Person shall be proved by the Preference Share register.

(d) Any Act by the Holder of a Security shall bind every Holder of the same Security and every Security issued on its transfer or in exchange for it or in lieu of it, in respect of anything done, omitted, or suffered to be done by the Trustee or the Issuer in reliance on the Act, whether or not notation of the action is made on the Security or Preference Shares.

Section 14.3. *Notices, etc., to Certain Persons or Parties.*

(a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, order, notice, consent, waiver, or Act of Noteholders or other documents provided or permitted by this Indenture to be made, given, or furnished to, or filed with:

(i) the Trustee or Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and made, given, furnished, or filed to and mailed, by certified mail, return receipt requested, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service guaranteeing next day delivery, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Trustee or Preference Shares Paying Agent addressed to it at its Corporate Trust Office, telecopy no. (713) 216-2101, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto by the Trustee (any request, direction, order, notice or other communication from the Portfolio Manager to the Trustee under Article 12 (other than required certifications) may be by electronic mail, which shall be deemed to be in writing);

(ii) the Co-Issuers shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Issuer addressed to it at c/o Maples Finance Limited, P.O. Box 1093 GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, telecopy no. (345) 945-1700, Attention: Directors, or to the Co-Issuer addressed to it at 1209 Orange Street, Wilmington, Delaware, 19801, Attention: Donald J. Puglisi, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, with a copy to the Portfolio Manager at its address below;

(iii) the Portfolio Manager shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Portfolio Manager addressed to it at Two Galleria Tower, 13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300, Dallas, Texas 75240, telecopy no. (972) 628-4147, Attention: James Dondero, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto;

(iv) Banc of America Securities LLC as the Placement Agent shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Placement Agent addressed to them at 9 West 57th Street, New York, New York 10019, Attention: Structured Securities

Group, respectively or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager, and the Trustee by an Officer of the Placement Agent;

(v) any Hedge Counterparty shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered or sent by overnight courier service or by telecopy in legible form to the Hedge Counterparty addressed to it at the address specified in the relevant Hedge Agreement or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Issuer or the Trustee by the Hedge Counterparty;

(vi) the Rating Agencies shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to each Rating Agency addressed to it at Moody's Investors Service, Inc., 99 Church Street, New York, New York, 10007, Telecopy No. (212) 553-4170, [cdomonitoring@moodys.com](mailto:cdomonitoring@moodys.com), Attention: CBO/CLO Monitoring and Standard & Poor's, 55 Water Street, 41st Floor, New York, New York 10041-0003, telecopy no. (212) 438-2664, Attention: Asset Backed-CBO/CLO Surveillance and each Monthly Report shall also be sent to S&P electronically to [CDO\\_Surveillance@standardandpoors.com](mailto:CDO_Surveillance@standardandpoors.com);

(vii) the Administrator shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by facsimile in legible form, addressed to Maples Finance Limited, P.O. Box 1093, Queensgate House, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, telecopy no. (345) 945-7100, Attention: The Directors; or

(viii) the Repository shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if delivered to the Repository at CDO Library, c/o The Bond Market Association, 360 Madison Avenue, 18th Floor, New York, New York 10017, electronic mail address: [admin@cdolibrary.com](mailto:admin@cdolibrary.com). Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary contained herein, any document, report, statement or other information required to be delivered or made available to the Repository may be delivered or made available by providing the operator of the Repository with access to the Trustee's website containing such information.

(b) If any provision in this Indenture calls for any notice or document to be delivered simultaneously to the Trustee and any other person, the Trustee's receipt of the notice or document shall entitle the Trustee to assume that the notice or document was delivered to the other person unless otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture.

Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, any report, statement or other information required to be provided by the Trustee may be provided by providing access to the Trustee's website containing such information. The Trustee shall provide access to the Trustee's website referenced in the immediately preceding sentence to the party indicated on the Issuer Order delivered on or before the Closing Date.

**Section 14.4. *Notices to Holders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent; Waiver.***

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, where this Indenture provides for notice to the Noteholders, the Combination Securityholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) of any event,

(a) the notice shall be sufficiently given to the Noteholders, the Combination Securityholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, each Noteholder and Combination Securityholder affected by the event or the Preference Shares Paying Agent, at the address of the Holder as it appears in the Indenture Register or at the address of the



Preference Shares Paying Agent supplied by the Preference Shares Paying Agent supplied by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Trustee, as applicable, not earlier than the earliest date and not later than the latest date, prescribed for the giving of the notice; and

(b) the notice shall be in the English language.

Notices shall be deemed to have been given on the date of their mailing.

Notwithstanding clause (a), a Noteholder, Combination Securityholder or the Preference Shares Paying Agent may give the Trustee a written notice that it is requesting that notices to it be given by facsimile transmissions and stating the telecopy number for the transmission. Thereafter, the Trustee shall give notices to the Holder or the Preference Shares Paying Agent by facsimile transmission. If the notice also requests that notices be given by mail, then the notice shall also be given by mail in accordance with clause (a) above, as the case may be.

The Trustee shall deliver to the Holders of Notes any information or notice relating to this Indenture requested to be so delivered by at least 10% (by Aggregate Outstanding Amount) of the Holders of any Class of Notes at the expense of the Issuer. The Trustee shall deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent any information or notice that the Preference Shares Paying Agent certifies was requested to be so delivered by at least 10% (by Aggregate Outstanding Amount) of the Holders of the Preference Shares at the expenses of the Issuer.

Neither the failure to mail any notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Noteholder, Combination Securityholder or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall affect the sufficiency of the notice with respect to other Noteholders, Combination Securityholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent. If it is impracticable to give the notice by mail of any event to Noteholders, Combination Securityholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent when the notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this Indenture because of the suspension of regular mail service as a result of a strike, work stoppage, or similar activity or because of any other cause, then the notification to Noteholders, Combination Securityholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent as shall be made with the approval of the Trustee shall be a sufficient notification to the Holders for every purpose under this Indenture.

Where this Indenture provides for notice in any manner, the notice may be waived in writing by any person entitled to receive the notice, either before or after the event, and the waiver shall be the equivalent of the notice. Waivers of notice by Noteholders, Combination Securityholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be filed with the Trustee but the filing shall not be a condition precedent to the validity of any action taken in reliance on the waiver.

So long as any Securities are listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, all notices to Holders of the Notes or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Preference Shares) shall also be given to the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange.

The Issuer shall (and authorizes the Trustee to) deliver to the Placement Agent all periodic reports, notices, demands, and other written information delivered or received by the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, trustees, paying agents, accountants, or other persons pursuant to this Indenture and other operative documentation relating to the Securities requested by the Placement Agent (collectively, the "Transaction Reports") and the Issuer consents to the Placement Agent providing Transaction Reports received by it to current and prospective investors in the Securities (including by means of electronic transmissions or posting the Transaction Reports on internet sites maintained by the Placement Agent or any of their Affiliates).

Section 14.5. ***Effect of Headings and Table of Contents.***

The Article and Section headings in this Indenture and the Table of Contents are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction of this Indenture.

Section 14.6. ***Successors and Assigns.***

All covenants and agreements in this Indenture by the Co-Issuers shall bind their respective successors and assigns, whether so expressed or not.

Section 14.7. ***Separability.***

Except to the extent prohibited by applicable law, in case any provision in this Indenture, in the Notes shall be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the validity, legality, and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

Section 14.8. ***Benefits of Indenture.***

Nothing in this Indenture or in the Securities, expressed or implied, shall give to any person, other than the parties hereto and their successors under this Indenture, the Portfolio Manager, the Noteholders, the Combination Securityholders, the Holders of Preference Shares or the Preference Shares Paying Agent any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy, or claim under this Indenture.

Section 14.9. ***Legal Holidays.***

If any Payment Date, Redemption Date, or Stated Maturity is not a Business Day, then notwithstanding any other provision of the Notes or this Indenture, payment need not be made on that date, but shall be made on the next Business Day with the same effect as if made on the nominal date of the Payment Date, Redemption Date, or Stated Maturity date, as the case may be, and except as provided in the definition of "Interest Period," no interest shall accrue on the payment for the period beginning on the nominal date.

Section 14.10. ***Governing Law.***

(a) THIS INDENTURE, EACH NOTE, AND EACH COMPOSITE SECURITY SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS PROVISIONS THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION.

Section 14.11. ***Submission to Jurisdiction.***

The Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or federal court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Securities, the Preference Shares or this Indenture, and the Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably agree that all claims in respect of the action or proceeding may be heard and determined in the New York State or federal court. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably waive, to the fullest extent that they may legally do so, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of the action or proceeding. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee irrevocably consent to the service of all process in any action or proceeding by the mailing or delivery of copies of the process to the Co-Issuers at the office of the Co-Issuers' agent in Section 7.2 and to the Trustee at the Corporate Trust Office. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee agree that a final judgment in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

Section 14.12. ***Counterparts.***

This Indenture may be executed in any number of copies, and by the different parties on the same or separate counterparts, each of which shall be considered to be an original instrument.

Section 14.13. ***Acts of Issuer.***

Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver, or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or performed by the Issuer shall be effective if given or performed by the Issuer or by the Portfolio Manager on the Issuer's behalf.

Section 14.14. ***Consent of Posting of Documents on Repository.***

The Issuer hereby consents to (a) the posting of the final Offering Memorandum, this Indenture and the periodic reports to be delivered pursuant to the transaction documents and any amendments or other modifications thereto on the Repository for use in the manner provided in the Repository; and (b) the display of its name on the Repository in connection therewith. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Trustee makes any representation or warranty to The Bond Market Association (or any successor thereto) or any affiliate thereof or any Person having or obtaining access to the information maintained in the Repository or to any of such Person's affiliates regarding the accuracy or completeness of any information, document, report or other communication transmitted to the Repository, and no Person having or obtaining access to the information maintained in the Repository shall have any rights under this Indenture or otherwise by reason of the transmission of any such information, document, report or other communication to the Repository.

Section 14.15. ***Liability of Co-Issuers.***

Notwithstanding any other terms of this Indenture, the Notes, the Combination Securities or any other agreement entered into by either of the Co-Issuers or otherwise, neither of the Co-Issuers shall have any liability whatsoever to the other of the Co-Issuers under this Indenture, the Notes, the Combination Securities, any other agreement, or otherwise. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, neither of the Co-Issuers may take any action to enforce, or bring any action or proceeding, in respect of this Indenture, the Notes, the Combination Securities, any other agreement, or otherwise against the other of the Co-Issuers. In particular, neither of the Co-Issuers may petition or take any other steps for the winding up or bankruptcy of the other of the Co-Issuers and neither of the Co-Issuers shall have any claim with respect to any assets of the other of the Co-Issuers.

Section 14.16. ***Indemnity of Co-Issuer.***

The Issuer agrees to indemnify the Co-Issuer for any payments that may become due from the Co-Issuer under Article 11 with respect to any Securities issued under this Indenture and any administrative, legal, or other costs incurred by the Co-Issuer in connection with those payments.

ARTICLE 15

ASSIGNMENT OF MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT; HEDGE AGREEMENTS

Section 15.1. ***Assignment of Management Agreement.***

(a) The Issuer, in furtherance of the covenants of this Indenture and as security for the Notes and amounts payable to the Secured Parties under this Indenture and the performance and observance of the provisions of this Indenture, acknowledges that its Grant pursuant to the first Granting Clause includes all of the Issuer's interest in the Management Agreement, including:

- (i) the right to give all notices, consents, and releases under it,
- (ii) the right to give all notices of termination pursuant to the Management Agreement and to take any legal action upon the breach of an obligation of the Portfolio Manager under it, including the commencement, conduct, and consummation of proceedings at law or in equity,
- (iii) the right to receive all notices, accountings, consents, releases, and statements under it, and
- (iv) the right to do all other things whatsoever that the Issuer is or may be entitled to do under it.

Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, the Trustee may not exercise any of the rights in (i) through (iv) above or that may otherwise arise as a result of the Grant until the occurrence of an Event of Default under this Indenture and the authority shall terminate when the Event of Default is cured or waived.

(b) The assignment made hereby is executed as security, and the execution and delivery hereby shall not in any way impair or diminish the obligations of the Issuer under the Management Agreement, nor shall any of the obligations contained in the Management Agreement be imposed on the Trustee.

(c) Upon the retirement of the Notes and the Class 2 Component and the release of the Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral from the lien of this Indenture, this assignment, and all rights in this Indenture assigned to the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders and the Combination Securityholders shall cease and terminate and all the interest of the Trustee in the Management Agreement shall revert to the Issuer and no further instrument or act shall be necessary to evidence the termination and reversion.

(d) The Issuer represents that the Issuer has not executed any other assignment of the Management Agreement.

(e) The Issuer agrees that this assignment is irrevocable, and that it shall not take any action that is inconsistent with this assignment or make any other assignment inconsistent herewith. The Issuer shall, from time to time upon the request of the Trustee, execute all instruments of further assurance and all such supplemental instruments with respect to this assignment as the Trustee may reasonably request.

(f) The Issuer agrees to obtain the agreement and consent of the Portfolio Manager in the Management Agreement to the following:

(i) The Portfolio Manager consents to this collateral assignment and agrees to perform any provisions of this Indenture made expressly applicable to the Portfolio Manager pursuant to the Management Agreement.

(ii) The Portfolio Manager acknowledges that the Issuer is collaterally assigning all of its interest in the Management Agreement to the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties and the Portfolio Manager agrees that all of the representations, covenants and agreements made by the Portfolio Manager in the Management Agreement are also for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

(iii) The Portfolio Manager shall deliver to the Trustee duplicate original copies of all notices, statements, communications, and instruments delivered or required to be delivered to the Issuer pursuant to the Management Agreement (other than any of them delivered to the Issuer by the Trustee or the Collateral Administrator).

(iv) Neither the Issuer nor the Portfolio Manager shall select or consent to a successor manager or enter into any agreement amending, modifying, or terminating the Management Agreement (other than an amendment or modification of the type that may be made to this Indenture without Holder consent) (a) without satisfying the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency with respect thereto and (b) so long as a Majority of the Controlling Class or a Majority of the Preference Shares have objected in writing to such amendment or modification within 30 days of notice thereof.

(v) Except as otherwise provided in this Indenture and the Management Agreement, subject to the resignation rights of the Portfolio Manager pursuant to Section 12 of the Management Agreement, the Portfolio Manager shall continue to serve as Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement notwithstanding that the Portfolio Manager shall not have received amounts due it under the Management Agreement because sufficient funds were not then available under this Indenture to pay the amounts pursuant to the Priority of Payments. The Portfolio Manager agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer for the nonpayment of the fees or other amounts payable by the Administrative Agent to the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement until the payment in full of all Notes issued under this Indenture and the payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent of all amounts payable with respect to the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the expiration of a period equal to the greater of (A) the applicable preference period plus one day or (B) one year and one day following the payment. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Portfolio Manager may commence any legal action that is not a bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation, or similar proceeding against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any of their properties and may take any action it deems appropriate at any time in any bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation, or similar proceeding and any other Proceeding voluntarily commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or involuntarily commenced against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by anyone other than the Portfolio Manager or any Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager.

(vi) The Portfolio Manager irrevocably submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or federal court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Notes, the Preference Shares or this Indenture, and the Portfolio Manager irrevocably agrees that all claims in respect of the action or proceeding may be heard and determined in the New York State or federal court. The Portfolio Manager irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent it may legally do so, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of the action or proceeding. The Portfolio Manager irrevocably consents to the service of all process in any action or Proceeding by the mailing or delivery of copies of the process to it the address provided for in Section 14.3. The Portfolio Manager agrees that a final and non-appealable judgment by a court of competent jurisdiction in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

(g) Following the resignation or removal of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall use its best efforts to appoint a successor Portfolio Manager, and the Issuer, the Trustee, and the resigning or removed Portfolio Manager shall take any action consistent with the Management Agreement and this Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager, necessary to effectuate any such succession.

## Section 15.2. ***Hedge Agreements.***

(a) At any time and from time to time after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, shall enter into the Hedge Agreements and shall assign its rights (but none of its obligations) under the Hedge Agreements to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture and the Collateral Assignment of Hedge Agreements. The Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, shall obtain the approval of each new Hedge Agreement from each Hedge Counterparty to a then-existing Hedge

Agreement. The Trustee shall, on behalf of the Issuer and in accordance with the Valuation Report, pay amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements on any Payment Date in accordance with Section 11.1.

(b) The Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless at the time of entering the Hedge Agreement the Hedge Counterparty has:

(i) a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "Aa3" (which rating of "Aa3" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) or higher if the Hedge Counterparty has only a long-term rating; or a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "A1" (which rating of "A1" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) or higher and a debt rating by Moody's for short-term debt of "P-1" (which rating of "P-1" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) if the Hedge Counterparty has both long-term and short-term ratings; and

(ii) a short-term debt rating by S&P of not less than "A-1" or a long-term debt rating of not less than "A+" (the "Required Rating").

(c) If at any time a Hedge Counterparty has:

(A) no short-term Moody's rating and a long-term Moody's rating and that rating is below "Aa3" or is "Aa3" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's; or

(B) both a short-term and long-term Moody's rating; and either:

(i) the long-term Moody's rating is below "A1" or that rating is "A1" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's, or

(ii) the short-term Moody's rating is below "P-1" or that rating is "P-1" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's

then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within 30 days, either:

(i) post collateral with the Trustee to secure the Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement, in an amount and of the type sufficient to cause the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's to be satisfied;

(ii) obtain a guarantor whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the above criteria;

(iii) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the above criteria; or

(iv) take other actions to satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's;

(d) If at any time the Hedge Counterparty has:

(A) no short-term Moody's rating and a long-term Moody's rating that is "A2" or

below or has been suspended or withdrawn;

(B) both a short-term and long-term Moody's rating; and either:

(i) the long-term Moody's rating is "A3" or below or is suspended or withdrawn, or

(ii) the short-term Moody's rating is "P-2" or below, or

(C) a short-term debt rating by S&P below "A-1" or, if the Hedge Counterparty has no short-term rating by S&P, a long-term rating by S&P below "A+" or that has been suspended or withdrawn;

then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within 30 days, either:

(i) post collateral as required by the Hedge Agreement to secure the Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement in an amount and of the type sufficient to cause the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's and S&P to be satisfied; or

(ii) (x) obtain a guarantor that has a Required Rating and that will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P with respect to its appointment;

(y) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has a Required Rating and the appointment of which will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P; or

(z) take such other actions to satisfy the Ratings Condition;

provided that, if at any time the Hedge Counterparty has a short-term debt rating by S&P below "A-3" or, if the Hedge Counterparty has no short-term rating by S&P, a long-term rating by S&P below "BBB-" or such Hedge Counterparty's rating has been suspended or withdrawn, then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to within 7 days replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has a Required Rating and the appointment of which will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P.

Whenever a Hedge Agreement is being entered into, the Hedge Counterparty shall comply with the then current rating criteria.

(e) If the Issuer has the right under a Hedge Agreement at any time to demand that the related Hedge Counterparty deliver Eligible Collateral in accordance with an Approved Credit Support Document, the Issuer shall make the demand.

(f) Any payments required to be made under the Hedge Agreements shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Subordinated Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments shall be subordinate to interest and principal payments on the Notes and any other payments required to be made by the Issuer under the Hedge Agreements, but senior to distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares.

(g) Except as provided in paragraph (h) of this Section 15.2, the Issuer, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, shall, promptly following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) (but no later than 60 days after the early termination), at the expense of the Issuer and to the extent possible through application of Hedge Termination Receipts, enter into a Replacement Hedge, unless, in the exercise of the Portfolio Manager's commercially reasonable judgment, to do so would not be in the best interest of the Issuer and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the non-entry into the a Replacement Hedge. In addition, a Replacement Hedge may not be entered into unless the Issuer provides the Rating Agencies with at least seven Business Days' prior written notice of its intention to enter into the agreement, together with its form and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the Replacement Hedge. The Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than a termination resulting from the bankruptcy, insolvency, or similar event with respect to the Hedge Counterparty) to become effective simultaneously with its entering into a Replacement Hedge. To the extent that (i) the Portfolio Manager determines not to replace the Hedge Agreement and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the determination; or (ii) termination is occurring on a Redemption Date, the Hedge Termination Receipts shall become part of Principal Proceeds and be distributed in accordance with Section 11.1 on the next following Payment Date (or on the Redemption Date, if the Notes are redeemed on the Redemption Date).

(h) Notwithstanding Section 15.2(g), the applicable requirements of Section 15.2(g) shall not have to be met if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is otherwise satisfied with respect thereto.

(i) The notional amounts of the Hedge Agreements outstanding at any time may be reduced or increased from time to time, by the Issuer, and the Hedge Agreements may be amended, modified, or terminated in accordance with the Hedge Agreements if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the reduction, increase, amendment, modification, or termination, as the case may be.

(j) Each Hedge Agreement may be terminated pursuant to its terms upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes or an acceleration of maturity of the Notes after an Event of Default. The Hedge Agreement will not be permitted to be terminated as the result of a Default or Event of Default unless any acceleration of maturity of the Notes resulting from the Event of Default is no longer permitted to be rescinded and liquidation of the Collateral has begun pursuant to this Indenture.

(k) Except for Hedge Agreements entered into on or before the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied.

### Section 15.3. *Synthetic Securities.*

The Issuer shall not enter into a Synthetic Security Agreement with a Synthetic Security Counterparty unless the terms of such Synthetic Security Agreement provide that, if at any time the Synthetic Security Counterparty does not meet the Synthetic Security Counterparty Ratings Requirement, such Synthetic Security Counterparty shall (at the sole cost and expense of the Synthetic Security Counterparty) take one of the following actions within 30 days following the date on which the Synthetic Security Counterparty fails to meet such Synthetic Security Counterparty Ratings Requirement:

(a) post collateral with the Trustee to secure the Synthetic Security Counterparty's obligations under the Synthetic Security Agreement, in an amount and of the type sufficient to cause the Rating Condition with respect to S&P to be satisfied; *provided* that, if the Synthetic Security Counterparty's senior unsecured credit rating by S&P for long-term debt of such Synthetic Security



Counterparty are rated below "BBB+" and the senior unsecured, credit rating by S&P for short-term senior debt of such Synthetic Security Counterparty are rated below "A 2" (if such Synthetic Counterparty has a short term rating from Standard & Poor's), the Synthetic Security Counterparty shall obtain or provide a legal opinion addressed to the Issuer and the Trustee acceptable to S&P to the effect that the collateral will be available to the Trustee and the Noteholders in the event of the insolvency of such Synthetic Security Counterparty;

(b) obtain a guarantor whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the Synthetic Security Counterparty Ratings Requirement;

(c) cause an entity who satisfies the Security Counterparty Ratings Requirement to issue in favor of the Issuer a credit support of such Synthetic Security Counterparty's obligations under the related Synthetic Security acceptable in form and substance to the Issuer and that satisfies the Rating Condition;

(d) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Synthetic Security Agreement with a substitute Synthetic Security Counterparty whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the Synthetic Security Counterparty Ratings Requirement; *provided* that, upon successful consummation of any such substitution and assignment, the related Synthetic Security Counterparty's obligations to post collateral contemplated by clause (a) above shall terminate and Issuer shall release its security interest in, and return to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty, any then posted collateral; or


(e) take other actions to satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P.

If the Synthetic Security Counterparty has taken action pursuant to clause (b) above, the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf) shall, in the event that the Synthetic Security Counterparty fails to meet its payment obligations under the Synthetic Security Agreement, demand payment from the guarantor on the day such payment from the Synthetic Security Counterparty is due for the purposes of requiring such guarantor to make payment on such same day.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have set our hands as of the day and year first written above.

EXECUTED AS A DEED BY

**GLENEAGLES CLO, LTD.,**  
AS ISSUER

By:   
Name: **Wendy Ebanks**  
Title: Director

**GLENEAGLES CLO CORP.,**  
AS CO-ISSUER

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

**JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL**  
**ASSOCIATION,**  
AS TRUSTEE

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

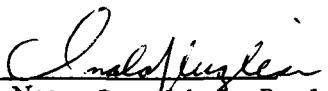
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have set our hands as of the day and year first written above.

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**GLENEAGLES CLO, LTD.,**  
AS ISSUER

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

**GLENEAGLES CLO CORP.,**  
AS CO-ISSUER

By:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Donald J. Puglisi  
Title: President

**JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL**  
**ASSOCIATION,**  
AS TRUSTEE

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

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have set our hands as of the day and year first written above.

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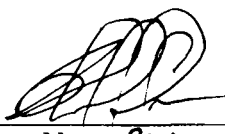
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AS ISSUER

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

**JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL**  
**ASSOCIATION,**  
AS TRUSTEE

By:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Richard Johnson  
Title: Vice President

Schedule 1

**List of Collateral Obligations**

Schedule 2

**Moody's Industry Classification Group List**

**Aerospace and Defense:** Major Contractor, Subsystems, Research, Aircraft Manufacturing, Arms, Ammunition

**Automobile:** Automotive Equipment, Auto-Manufacturing, Auto Parts Manufacturing, Personal Use Trailers, Motor Homes, Dealers

**Banking:** Bank Holding, Savings and Loans, Consumer Credit, Small Loan, Agency, Factoring, Receivables

**Beverage, Food and Tobacco:** Beer and Ale, Distillers, Wines and Liquors, Distributors, Soft Drink Syrup, Bottling, Bakery, Mill Sugar, Canned Foods, Corn Refiners, Dairy Products, Meat Products, Poultry Products, Snacks, Packaged Foods, Distributors, Candy, Gum, Seafood, Frozen Food, Cigarettes, Cigars, Leaf/Snuff, Vegetable Oil

**Buildings and Real Estate:** Brick, Cement, Climate Controls, Contracting, Engineering, Construction, Hardware, Forest Products (building-related only), Plumbing, Roofing, Wallboard, Real Estate, Real Estate Development, REITs, Land Development

**Chemicals, Plastics and Rubber:** Chemicals (non-agriculture), Industrial Gases, Sulfur, Plastics, Plastic Products, Abrasives, Coatings, Paints, Varnish, Fabricating

**Containers, Packaging and Glass:** Glass, Fiberglass, Containers made of: Glass, Metal, Paper, Plastic, Wood or Fiberglass

**Personal and Non Durable Consumer Products (Manufacturing Only):** Soaps, Perfumes, Cosmetics, Toiletries, Cleaning Supplies, School Supplies

Diversified/Conglomerate Manufacturing

Diversified/Conglomerate Service

Diversified Natural Resources, Precious Metals and Minerals: Fabricating, Distribution, Mining and Sales

**Ecological:** Pollution Control, Waste Removal, Waste Treatment, Waste Disposal

**Electronics:** Computer Hardware, Electric Equipment, Components, Controllers, Motors, Household Appliances, Information Service, Communication Systems, Radios, TVs, Tape Machines, Speakers, Printers, Drivers, Technology

**Finance:** Investment Brokerage, Leasing, Syndication, Securities

**Farming and Agriculture:** Livestock, Grains, Produce, Agricultural Chemicals, Agricultural Equipment, Fertilizers

**Grocery:** Grocery Stores, Convenience Food Stores

**Healthcare, Education and Childcare:** Ethical Drugs, Proprietary Drugs, Research, Health Care Centers, Nursing Homes, HMOs, Hospitals, Hospital Supplies, Medical Equipment

Home and Office Furnishings, Housedress, and Durable Consumer Products: Carpets, Floor Coverings, Furniture, Cooking, Ranges

Hotels, Motels, Inns and Gaming

**Insurance:** Life, Property and Casualty, Broker, Agent, Surety

**Leisure, Amusement, Entertainment:** Boating, Bowling, Billiards, Musical Instruments, Fishing, Photo Equipment, Records, Tapes, Sports, Outdoor Equipment (camping), Tourism, Resorts, Games, Toy Manufacturing, Motion Picture Production, Theatres, Motion Picture Distribution

Machinery (Non-Agriculture, Non-Construction, Non-Electronic): Industrial, Machine Tools, Steam Generators

**Mining, Steel, Iron and Non-Precious Metals:** Coal, Copper, Lead, Uranium, Zinc, Aluminum, Stainless Steel, Integrated Steel, Ore Production, Refractories, Steel Mill Machinery, Mini-Mills, Fabricating, Distribution and Sales

**Oil and Gas:** Crude Producer, Retailer, Well Supply, Service and Drilling

Personal, Food and Miscellaneous

**Printing and Publishing:** Graphic Arts, Paper, Paper Products, Business Forms, Magazines, Books, Periodicals, Newspapers, Textbooks

**Cargo Transport:** Rail, Shipping, Railroads, Rail-car Builders, Ship Builders, Containers, Container Builders, Parts, Overnight Mail, Trucking, Truck Manufacturing, Trailer Manufacturing, Air Cargo, Transport

**Retail Stores:** Apparel, Toy, Variety, Drugs, Department, Mail Order Catalogue, Showroom

Structured Finance

**Telecommunications:** Local, Long Distance, Independent, Telephone, Telegraph, Satellite, Equipment, Research, Cellular

**Textiles and Leather:** Producer, Synthetic Fiber, Apparel Manufacturer, Leather Shoes **Personal Transportation:** Air, Bus, Rail, Car, Rental

**Utilities:** Electric, Water, Hydro Power, Gas, Diversified

**Broadcasting and Entertainment:** Recording Industry, Motion Exhibition Theatres, Motion Picture Production and Distribution, Radio, TV, Cable Broadcasting, Broadcasting Equipment

Schedule 3

**S&P Industry Classifications**

Corporate Obligations

0. Zero Default Risk
1. Aerospace & Defense
2. Air transport
3. Automotive
4. Beverage & Tobacco
5. Radio & Television
6. Brokerages, Dealers & Investment houses
7. Building & Development
8. Business equipment & services
9. Cable & satellite television
10. Chemical & plastics
11. Clothing/textiles
12. Conglomerates
13. Containers & glass products
14. Cosmetics/toiletries
15. Drugs
16. Ecological services & equipment
17. Electronics/electrical
18. Equipment leasing
19. Farming/agriculture
20. Financial Intermediaries
21. Food/drug retailers
22. Food products
23. Food service
24. Forest products
25. Health care
26. Home furnishings
27. Lodging & casinos
28. Industrial equipment
29. Insurance
30. Leisure goods/activities/movies
31. Nonferrous metals/minerals
32. Oil & gas
33. Publishing
34. Rail Industries
35. Retailers (except food & drug)
36. Steel
37. Surface transport
38. Telecommunications
39. Utilities

Corporate Structured Obligations

50. CDOs

Structured Obligations



- 51. ABS Consumer
- 52. ABS Commercial
- 53. CMBS Diversified (Conduit and CTL)
- 54. CMBS (Large Loan, Single Borrower, and Single Property)
- 55. REITs and REOCs
- 56. RMBS A
- 57. RMBS B&C, HELs, HELOCs, and Tax Lien
- 58. Manufactured Housing
- 59. U.S. Agency (Explicitly Guaranteed)
- 60. Monoline/FER Guaranteed
- 61. Non-FER Company Guaranteed
- 62. FFELP Student Loans (Over 70% FFELP)
- 63. CLO of SME's

Schedule 4**Diversity Score Calculation**

The Diversity Score for the Collateral Obligations is calculated by summing each of the Industry Diversity Scores, which are calculated as follows:

(i) An "**Obligor Par Amount**" is calculated for each obligor represented in the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) by summing the par amounts of all Collateral Obligations in the Collateral (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) issued by that obligor or any Affiliate of that obligor (other than obligors that the Portfolio Manager reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(ii) An "**Average Par Amount**" is calculated by summing the Obligor Par Amounts and dividing by the number of obligors represented. For purposes of calculating the number of issuers of the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations), any issuers Affiliated with one another shall be considered one issuer (other than obligors that the Portfolio Manager reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(iii) An "**Equivalent Unit Score**" is calculated for each obligor represented in the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) by taking the lesser of (A) one and (B) the Obligor Par Amount for the obligor divided by the Average Par Amount. For purposes of calculating the Equivalent Unit Score, any issuers Affiliated with one another shall be considered one issuer (other than obligors that the Portfolio Manager reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(iv) An "**Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score**" is then calculated for each of the Moody's industrial classification groups by summing the Equivalent Unit Scores for each obligor in the industry.

(v) An "**Industry Diversity Score**" is then established by reference to the Diversity Score Table shown below for the related Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score. If any Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score falls between any two the scores then the applicable Industry Diversity Score shall be the lower of the two Industry Diversity Scores in the Diversity Score Table.

**DIVERSITY SCORE TABLE**

<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>
0.0000	0.0000	5.0500	2.7000	10.1500	4.0200	15.2500	4.5300
0.0500	0.1000	5.1500	2.7333	10.2500	4.0300	15.3500	4.5400
0.1500	0.2000	5.2500	2.7667	10.3500	4.0400	15.4500	4.5500
0.2500	0.3000	5.3500	2.8000	10.4500	4.0500	15.5500	4.5600
0.3500	0.4000	5.4500	2.8333	10.5500	4.0600	15.6500	4.5700
0.4500	0.5000	5.5500	2.8667	10.6500	4.0700	15.7500	4.5800
0.5500	0.6000	5.6500	2.9000	10.7500	4.0800	15.8500	4.5900
0.6500	0.7000	5.7500	2.9333	10.8500	4.0900	15.9500	4.6000
0.7500	0.8000	5.8500	2.9667	10.9500	4.1000	16.0500	4.6100
0.8500	0.9000	5.9500	3.0000	11.0500	4.1100	16.1500	4.6200
0.9500	1.0000	6.0500	3.0250	11.1500	4.1200	16.2500	4.6300
1.0500	1.0500	6.1500	3.0500	11.2500	4.1300	16.3500	4.6400
1.1500	1.1000	6.2500	3.0750	11.3500	4.1400	16.4500	4.6500
1.2500	1.1500	6.3500	3.1000	11.4500	4.1500	16.5500	4.6600
1.3500	1.2000	6.4500	3.1250	11.5500	4.1600	16.6500	4.6700
1.4500	1.2500	6.5500	3.1500	11.6500	4.1700	16.7500	4.6800
1.5500	1.3000	6.6500	3.1750	11.7500	4.1800	16.8500	4.6900
1.6500	1.3500	6.7500	3.2000	11.8500	4.1900	16.9500	4.7000
1.7500	1.4000	6.8500	3.2250	11.9500	4.2000	17.0500	4.7100
1.8500	1.4500	6.9500	3.2500	12.0500	4.2100	17.1500	4.7200
1.9500	1.5000	7.0500	3.2750	12.1500	4.2200	17.2500	4.7300
2.0500	1.5500	7.1500	3.3000	12.2500	4.2300	17.3500	4.7400
2.1500	1.6000	7.2500	3.3250	12.3500	4.2400	17.4500	4.7500
2.2500	1.6500	7.3500	3.3500	12.4500	4.2500	17.5500	4.7600
2.3500	1.7000	7.4500	3.3750	12.5500	4.2600	17.6500	4.7700
2.4500	1.7500	7.5500	3.4000	12.6500	4.2700	17.7500	4.7800
2.5500	1.8000	7.6500	3.4250	12.7500	4.2800	17.8500	4.7900
2.6500	1.8500	7.7500	3.4500	12.8500	4.2900	17.9500	4.8000
2.7500	1.9000	7.8500	3.4750	12.9500	4.3000	18.0500	4.8100
2.8500	1.9500	7.9500	3.5000	13.0500	4.3100	18.1500	4.8200
2.9500	2.0000	8.0500	3.5250	13.1500	4.3200	18.2500	4.8300

<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>
3.0500	2.0333	8.1500	3.5500	13.2500	4.3300	18.3500	4.8400
3.1500	2.0667	8.2500	3.5750	13.3500	4.3400	18.4500	4.8500
3.2500	2.1000	8.3500	3.6000	13.4500	4.3500	18.5500	4.8600
3.3500	2.1333	8.4500	3.6250	13.5500	4.3600	18.6500	4.8700
3.4500	2.1667	8.5500	3.6500	13.6500	4.3700	18.7500	4.8800
3.5500	2.2000	8.6500	3.6750	13.7500	4.3800	18.8500	4.8900
3.6500	2.2333	8.7500	3.7000	13.8500	4.3900	18.9500	4.9000
3.7500	2.2667	8.8500	3.7250	13.9500	4.4000	19.0500	4.9100
3.8500	2.3000	8.9500	3.7500	14.0500	4.4100	19.1500	4.9200
3.9500	2.3333	9.0500	3.7750	14.1500	4.4200	19.2500	4.9300
4.0500	2.3667	9.1500	3.8000	14.2500	4.4300	19.3500	4.9400
4.1500	2.4000	9.2500	3.8250	14.3500	4.4400	19.4500	4.9500
4.2500	2.4333	9.3500	3.8500	14.4500	4.4500	19.5500	4.9600
4.3500	2.4667	9.4500	3.8750	14.5500	4.4600	19.6500	4.9700
4.4500	2.5000	9.5500	3.9000	14.6500	4.4700	19.7500	4.9800
4.5500	2.5333	9.6500	3.9250	14.7500	4.4800	19.8500	4.9900
4.6500	2.5667	9.7500	3.9500	14.8500	4.4900	19.9500	5.0000
4.7500	2.6000	9.8500	3.9750	14.9500	4.5000		
4.8500	2.6333	9.9500	4.0000	15.0500	4.5100		
4.9500	2.6667	10.0500	4.0100	15.1500	4.5200		

Schedule 5**Moody's Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates**

The Moody's Recovery Rate for a Structured Finance Obligation will be the applicable rate set forth below based on the appropriate sector as categorized by Moody's:

**Diversified Securities** primarily include (1) Automobile Securities; (2) Car Rental Receivable Securities; (3) Credit Card Securities; (4) Student Loan Securities

**Residential Securities** primarily include (1) Home Equity Loan Securities; (2) Manufactured Housing Securities; (3) Residential A Mortgage Securities; (4) Residential B/C Mortgage Securities

**Undiversified Securities** primarily include (1) CMBS Conduit; (2) CMBS Credit Tenant Lease; (3) CMBS Large Loan; (4) those ABS Sectors not included in Diversified Securities

**Collateralized Debt Obligations** include (1) High-diversity CDOs (Diversity Score in excess of 20); (2) Low-Diversity CDOs (Diversity Score of 20 or less)

**Diversified Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	70%	60%	50%	40%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	60%	50%	40%	30%
<=10%	70%	65%	55%	45%	35%	25%

**Residential Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>

>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10% >5%	65%	55%	45%	40%	30%	20%
<=5% >2%	55%	45%	40%	35%	25%	15%
<=2%	45%	35%	30%	25%	15%	10%

**Undiversified Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10% >5%	65%	55%	45%	35%	25%	15%
<=5% >2%	55%	45%	35%	30%	20%	10%
<=2%	45%	35%	25%	20%	10%	5%

**High Diversity Collateralized Debt Obligations**

	<u>Initial Rating of Underlying Asset</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%

<=70% >10%	75%	70%	60%	50%	40%	25%
<=10% >5%	65%	55%	50%	40%	30%	20%
<=5% >2%	55%	45%	40%	35%	25%	10%
<=2%	45%	35%	30%	25%	10%	5%

**Low Diversity Collateralized Debt Obligations**

	<u>Initial Rating of Underlying Asset</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	80%	75%	60%	50%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	70%	60%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10% >5%	60%	50%	45%	35%	25%	15%
<=5% >2%	50%	40%	35%	30%	20%	10%
<=2%	30%	25%	20%	15%	7%	4%

(1) Initial par amount of tranche to which Structured Finance Obligation relates **divided by** initial par amount of total securities issued by Structured Finance Obligation issuer.

Schedule 6**S&P Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates\***

The S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate for a Structured Finance Obligation will be the applicable rate set forth below based on the appropriate asset class and liability rating as categorized by S&P:

Senior Asset Class

	<u>Liability rating</u>						
	<u>AAA</u>	<u>AA</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>BBB</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>CCC</u>
AAA	80.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
AA	70.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
A	60.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
BBB	50.0%	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%

Junior Asset Class

	<u>Liability rating</u>						
	<u>AAA</u>	<u>AA</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>BBB</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>CCC</u>
AAA	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
AA	40.0%	45.0%	55.0%	65.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
A	30.0%	35.0%	40.0%	45.0%	50.0%	60.0%	70.0%
BBB	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	25.0%	35.0%	40.0%	50.0%
B	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%	10.0%	10.0%	20.0%	25.0%
CCC	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%

- \* This table shall not apply to project finance, future flows, synthetics, CDO repacks of ABS or CDOs, guaranteed ABS, distressed debt CDOs, synthetic CDOs, or emerging market CDOs. Recovery rates for such Structured Finance Obligations will be assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis.



Schedule 7**Certain Defined Terms Relating to S&P Rating and Moody's Rating**

**"Assigned Moody's Rating"**: The monitored publicly available rating or the monitored estimated rating expressly assigned to a debt obligation (or facility) by Moody's that addresses the full amount of the principal and interest promised.

**"Moody's Default Probability Rating"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (a) with respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:
  - (i) if the Loan's obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, such corporate family rating; and
  - (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Obligation Rating of such Loan;
  - (iii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, the rating that is one subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating;
- (b) with respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a bond, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating of such Collateral Obligation;
- (c) with respect to a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the rating that is one rating subcategory below the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof;
- (d) with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof (or, if the obligation does not have an Assigned Moody's Rating but has a rating by S&P, the rating that is the number of rating subcategories specified by Moody's below such S&P rating); and
- (e) with respect to a Synthetic Security, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

**"Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation that is a Loan or bond and the obligor thereof, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (a) if the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating;
- (b) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's "Issuer Rating" for the obligor;
- (c) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, then
  - (i) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "B3" (and, if rated "B3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one rating subcategory higher than such Assigned Moody's Rating, or

(ii) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "B3" (or rated "B3" and on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be such Assigned Moody's Rating;

(d) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, then:

(i) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "Caa3" (and, if rated "Caa3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one subcategory below such Assigned Moody's Rating, or

(ii) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "Caa3" (or rated "Caa3" and on watch for downgrade), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be "C";

(e) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but such obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be one rating subcategory below such corporate family rating;

(f) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be:

(i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher,

(ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; or

(iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating no lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (f)(iii), or clauses (g)(iii) or (h)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(g) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (c) above; or

(iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable

judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (g)(iii), or clauses (f)(iii) or (h)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(h) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (d) above; or

(iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (h)(iii), or clauses (f)(iii) or (g)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(i) if the preceding clauses do not apply and each of the following clauses (i) through (viii) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa1":

(i) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings,

(ii) no debt securities or obligations of the obligor are in default,

(iii) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates has defaulted on any debt during the preceding two years,

(iv) the obligor has been in existence for the preceding five years,

(v) the obligor is current on any cumulative dividends,

(vi) the fixed-charge ratio for the obligor exceeds 125% for each of the preceding two fiscal years and for the most recent quarter,

(vii) the obligor had a net profit before tax in the past fiscal year and the most recent quarter, and

(viii) the annual financial statements of such obligor are unqualified and certified by a firm of Independent accountants of international reputation, and quarterly statements are unaudited but signed by a corporate officer;

(j) if the preceding clauses do not apply but each of the following clauses (i) and (ii) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa3":

(i) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings; and

(ii) no debt security or obligation of such obligor has been in default during the past two years; and

(k) if the preceding clauses do not apply and a debt security or obligation of the obligor has been in default during the past two years, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Ca."

Notwithstanding the foregoing, not more than 10% of the Maximum Investment Amount may consist of Investment Obligations given a Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating based on a rating given by S&P as provided in clauses (f), (g) and (h) above.

**"Moody's Obligation Rating":** With respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

(a) With respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:

(i) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the rating that is one rating subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and

(b) With respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a bond:

(i) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and

(c) With respect to a Synthetic Security or a DIP Loan, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Obligation Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

**"Moody's Rating":** The Moody's Default Probability Rating; provided that, with respect to the Collateral Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or any successor to it ceases to provide rating services, references to rating categories of Moody's in this Indenture shall be deemed instead to be references to the equivalent categories of any other nationally recognized investment rating agency selected by the Portfolio Manager, as of the most recent date on which such other rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which such alternative rating agency is used.

**"S&P Rating"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following methodology:

(i) If there is an issuer credit rating of the borrower of the Collateral Obligation (the "Borrower"), or the guarantor who unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the Collateral Obligation (the "Guarantor") by S&P, the most current issuer credit rating for such Borrower or Guarantor (provided that, with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating);

(ii) (a) if there is not an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation will be one subcategory below such rating; (b) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior unsecured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be such rating; and (c) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a subordinated obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be two subcategories above such rating if such rating is "BBB-" or higher and will be one subcategory above such rating if such rating is "BB+" or lower (provided that, with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating); or

(iii) if there is neither an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P nor a rating by S&P on an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating may be determined using any one of the methods below:

(A) if an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is publicly rated by Moody's, then the S&P Rating will be determined in accordance with the methodologies for establishing the Moody's Default Probability Rating, except that the S&P Rating of such obligation will be (1) one subcategory below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Baa3" or higher by Moody's and (2) two subcategories below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Bal" or lower by Moody's; provided that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount (which concentration may be increased to 10% upon satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to S&P) may be given a S&P Rating based on a rating given by Moody's as provided in this subclause (A) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

(B) if no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's, then the Portfolio Manager may apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating estimate, which will be its S&P Rating; or

(C) (1) if such Collateral Obligation (other than a Current-Pay Obligation) is not rated by Moody's or S&P, no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's and if the Portfolio Manager determines in good faith based on information available to it after reasonable inquiry that such Borrower (x) is not subject to any bankruptcy or reorganization proceedings nor in default on any of its obligations (unless the subject of a good faith business dispute), (y) is a legally constituted corporate entity having the minimum legal, financial and operational infrastructure to carry on a definable business, deliver and sell a product or service and report its results in generally accepted accounting terms as verified by a reputable audit firm and (z) is not so vulnerable to adverse business, financial and economic conditions that default in its financial or other obligations is

foreseeable in the near term if current operating trends continue, then the S&P Rating will be "B-"; provided that the Portfolio Manager must apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating on such Borrower within 30 days after the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation; provided, further, that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount may be given an S&P Rating based on this subclause (C) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable) or (2) if such Collateral Obligation is a Current-Pay Obligation and is not rated by Moody's or S&P and no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's, then the S&P Rating will be "CCC-";

provided that if (i) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any positive "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be increased by one rating subcategory or (ii) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any negative "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be decreased by one rating subcategory.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the S&P Rating shall be (A) the rating assigned thereto by S&P if the rating is public, (B) the rating assigned by S&P if the rating is confidential, but only if all appropriate parties have provided written consent to its disclosure and use, (C) the rating assigned by S&P thereto through an estimated rating or (D) the rating assigned thereto by S&P in connection with the acquisition thereof upon the request of the Portfolio Manager. In the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a PIK Security, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Securities, the S&P Rating may not be determined pursuant to clause (iii)(A) above.

S&P Ratings for entities or obligations relevant hereunder other than Borrowers and Collateral Obligations shall be determined in a corresponding manner.

Schedule 8**Certain Tax Provisions**

Capitalized terms used but not defined herein will have the meanings ascribed to them in the Indenture.

I. Specific Restrictions.

A. Communications and Negotiations with Issuers.

The Issuer will not have any communications or negotiations with the issuer of a Collateral Obligation or the issuer of a Reference Obligation (in any case, directly or indirectly through an intermediary such as the seller of such Collateral Obligation or the Synthetic Security) in connection with the issuance or funding of such Collateral Obligation or Reference Obligation or commitments with respect thereto, except for communications of an immaterial nature or customary due diligence communications; provided, that the Portfolio Manager may (i) consent to or withhold consent to any proposed amendments, supplements or other modifications of the term of any Collateral Obligations after such Collateral Obligations are acquired by the Issuer, and (ii) provide comments as to mistakes or inconsistencies in loan documents (including with respect to any provisions that are inconsistent with the terms and conditions of purchase of the loan by the Issuer).

B. Fees.

The Issuer will not earn or receive from any Person any fee or other compensation for services, however denominated, in connection with its purchase or sale of a Collateral Obligation or entering into a Synthetic Security except for (i) commitment fees or facility maintenance fees that are received by the Issuer in connection with Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans; (ii) yield maintenance and prepayment penalty fees; (iii) fees on account of the Issuer's consenting to amendments, waivers or other modifications of the terms of any Collateral Obligations; (iv) fees from permitted securities lending; and (v) upfront payments in lieu of periodic payments under a Synthetic Security. Except for services provided in connection with permitted fees, the Issuer will not provide services to any Person.

C. Collateralized Obligations Purchased from the Portfolio Manager and Affiliates.

If the Portfolio Manager or an affiliate of the Portfolio Manager acted as an underwriter, placement or other agent, arranger, negotiator or structuror in connection with the issuance or origination of a Collateral Obligation or was a member of the original lending syndicate with respect to the Collateral Obligation, the Issuer will not acquire any interest in such Collateral Obligation (including entering into a commitment or agreement, whether or not legally binding or enforceable, to acquire such obligation directly or synthetically), from the Portfolio Manager, an affiliate of the Portfolio Manager, or a fund managed by the Portfolio Manager, unless (i) the Collateral Obligation has been outstanding for at least 30 days, (ii) the holder of the Collateral Obligation did not identify the obligation or security as intended for sale to the Issuer within 30 days of its issuance, (iii) the employees or agents or the Portfolio Manager responsible for selecting Collateral Obligations for the Issuer were not directly involved in the origination of the Collateral Obligation on behalf of the Portfolio Manager, an affiliate of the Portfolio Manager, or a fund managed by the Portfolio Manager (e.g. responsible for approving or reviewing the lending decision, participation in a credit committee reviewing any loan proposed to be made), (iv) the price paid for such obligation by the Issuer is its fair market value at the time of acquisition by the Issuer, and (v) after the acquisition the Issuer will own less than 50% of the aggregate principal amount of the borrowing that includes such Collateral Obligation.

D. Equity Restrictions. The Issuer will not purchase any asset (directly or synthetically) that is treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as:

1. an equity interest in a “partnership”(within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(2) of the Code) engaged or deemed to be engaged in a trade or business within the United States, or
2. a “United States real property interest” as defined in Section 897 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.

The Issuer may acquire stock of a subsidiary and cause such subsidiary to acquire assets set forth in clause (i) or (ii) above (an “ETB/897 Asset”) in connection with the workout of defaulted Collateral Obligations, so long as the acquisition of ETB/897 Assets by such subsidiary will not cause the stock of such subsidiary to be deemed to be an ETB/897 Asset.

E. Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans.

1. The Issuer will not purchase any Collateral Obligation that constitutes a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan unless the legal document closing with respect thereto has occurred and either (x) at least one advance of more than a de minimis amount has already been made under the facility or loan of which the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, respectively, is a part by a Person that is not an Affiliate of the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager or (y) such Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan is not a stand-alone Revolving Loan or a stand-alone Delayed Drawdown Loan and the Issuer is acquiring such Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan in connection with the related Loan with the interest to hold both parts and cannot separate them without the consent of the borrower.
2. All of the terms of any advance required to be made by the Issuer under any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan will be fixed as of the date of the Issuer’s purchase thereof (or will be determinable under a formula that is fixed as of such date), and the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager will not have any discretion (except for consenting or withholding consent to amendments, waivers or other modifications or granting customary waivers upon default) as to whether to make advances under such Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan.
3. The Issuer cannot acquire or hold more than a 50% interest in a Revolving Loan or a Delayed Drawdown Loan.

F. Application to Synthetic Securities.

The Issuer shall not (i) acquire or enter into any Synthetic Security with respect to any Reference Obligation the direct acquisition of which would violate any provision of this Schedule 8 or (ii) use Synthetic Securities as a means of making advances to the Synthetic Security Counterparty following the date on which the Synthetic Security is acquired or entered into (for the avoidance of doubt, the establishment of Synthetic Security Collateral Accounts and the payment of Synthetic Security Counterparties from the amounts on deposit therein, in each case in accordance with the Indenture, shall not constitute the making of advances).

No Synthetic Security acquired by the Issuer shall (i) require that the purchaser of credit protection thereunder own the applicable Reference Obligation or (ii) require by its terms the delivery of reports or other information relating to the Reference Obligation if the effect of such requirement is



that the purchaser of credit protection thereunder would be required to own the applicable Reference Obligation.

With respect to each Synthetic Security: (a) the criteria used to determine whether to enter into any particular synthetic security is similar to the criteria used by the Portfolio Manager in making investment decisions in debt securities; (b) the synthetic security is acquired by or entered into by the Issuer for its own account and for investment purposes with the expectation of realizing a profit from income earned on the securities and/or any rise in their value during the interval of time between their purchase and sale or hedging purposes and not with an intention to trade or to sell for a short-term profit; (c) the Issuer enters into the synthetic security with a counterparty that is a broker-dealer or that holds itself out as in the business of entering into such contracts; (d) none of the Issuer and any other person acting on behalf of the Issuer advertises or publishes the Issuer's ability to enter into synthetic securities; and (e) except with respect to (x) credit-linked notes or similar synthetic securities and (y) any other synthetic securities where standard form ISDA documentation is not applicable, the synthetic security is written on standard form ISDA documentation.

As used herein:

“Reference Obligation” means a debt security or other obligation upon which a Synthetic Security is based.

“Synthetic Security” means any swap transaction or security, other than a participation interest in a Loan that has payments associated with either payments of interest and/or principal on a Reference Obligation or the credit performance of a Reference Obligation.

“Synthetic Security Counterparty” means an entity (other than the Issuer) required to make payments on a Synthetic Security (including any guarantor).

G. Securities Lending Agreements.

The Issuer will not purchase any Collateral Obligation primarily for the purpose of entering into a securities lending agreement with respect thereto.

II. Restrictions with Respect to Loans and Forward Purchase Commitments.

- A. Any understanding or commitment to purchase a loan, a participation, a loan subparticipation or a collateralized loan obligation (collectively, “Loans”) from a seller before completion of the closing and full funding of the Loan by such seller must be treated as a forward sale agreement (a “Forward Purchase Commitment”) unless such an understanding or commitment is not legally binding and neither the Issuer nor the Portfolio Manager is economically compelled to purchase the Loan following the completion of the closing and full funding of the Loan (i.e., the Portfolio Manager will make an independent investment decision whether to purchase such Loan on behalf of the Issuer after completion of the closing and full funding of the Loan) (a “Non-Binding Agreement”).
- B. No Forward Purchase Commitment or Non-Binding Agreement shall be made until after the seller (or a transferor to such seller of such Loan) has made a legally binding commitment to fully fund such Loan to the obligor thereof, (subject to customary conditions), which commitment cannot be conditioned on the Issuer's ultimate purchase of such Loan from such seller.

- C. In the event of any reduced or eliminated funding, the Issuer shall not receive any premium, fee, or other compensation in connection with having entered into the Forward Purchase Commitment or Non-Binding Commitment.
- D. The Issuer shall not close any purchase of a Loan subject to a Forward Purchase Commitment earlier than 48 hours (24 hours in connection with a Non-Binding Agreement) after the time of the closing and full funding of the Loan.
- E. The Issuer cannot have a contractual relationship with the borrower with respect to a Loan until the Issuer actually purchases the Loan.
- F. The Issuer cannot be a signatory on the lending agreement, and cannot be obligated to fund an assignment of or a participation in a Loan prior to the actual funding of the Loan by the institutions lending to the borrower.
- G. The Issuer cannot purchase or commit to purchase a Loan if it would cause the Issuer to own more than 50% of the aggregate principal amount of the borrowing that includes such Loan.
- H. The Issuer will not be listed as a "lender" or otherwise a party to a Loan until after the Closing Date.

III. General Restrictions. The Issuer shall not:

- A. hold itself out, through advertising or otherwise, as originating loans, lending funds, or making a market in or a dealer in loans or other assets;
- B. register as, hold itself out as, or become subject to regulatory supervision or other legal requirements under the laws of any country or political subdivision thereof as, a broker-dealer, a bank, an insurance company, financial guarantor, surety bond issuer, or a company engaged in loan origination;
- C. take any action causing it to be treated as a bank, insurance company, or company engaged in loan origination for purposes of any tax, securities law or other filing or submission made to any governmental authority;
- D. hold itself out, through advertising or otherwise, as originating, funding, guaranteeing or insuring debt obligations or as being willing and able to enter into transactions (either purchases or sales of debt obligations or entries into, assignments or terminations of hedging or derivative instruments, including Synthetic Securities) at the request of others;
- E. treat Synthetic Securities as insurance, reinsurance, indemnity bonds, guaranties, guaranty bonds or suretyship contracts for any purpose;
- F. disclose the identity of any holder of a Security to any person from whom it purchases Collateral Obligations or attempt to obtain more favorable terms from any seller as a result of the identity of any holder of a Security;
- G. allow any non-U.S bank or lending institution who is a holder of a Security to control or direct the Portfolio Manager's or Issuer's decision to invest in a particular asset except as otherwise allowed to such a holder, acting in that capacity, under the Indenture or acquire a Collateral Obligation conditioned upon a particular person or entity holding Securities;

- H. acquire any asset the holding or acquisition of which the Portfolio Manager believes would cause the Issuer to be subject to income tax on a net income basis;
- I. hold any security as nominee for another person; or
- J. buy securities with the intent to subdivide them and sell the components or to buy securities and sell them with different securities as a package or unit.

Section IV. Amendments and Modifications.

In furtherance and not in limitation of this Schedule, the Portfolio Manager shall comply with all of the provisions set forth in this Schedule, unless, with respect to a particular transaction, the Portfolio Manager acting on behalf of the Issuer and the Trustee shall have received written advice of McKee Nelson LLP or an opinion of counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters, that, under the relevant facts and circumstances with respect to such transaction, the Portfolio Manager's failure to comply with one or more of such provisions will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis. The provisions set forth in the Schedule may be amended, eliminated or supplemented by the Portfolio Manager if the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and the Trustee shall have received an opinion of tax counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters that the Portfolio Manager's compliance with such amended provisions or supplemental provisions or the failure to comply with such provisions proposed to be eliminated, as the case may be, will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis.

Exhibit A-1

**Form of Notes**

Exhibit A-2

**Form of Combination Securities**

Exhibit B-1

**Form of Note and Combination Security Transferee Certificate**

Exhibit B-2

**Form of Note and Combination Security Transferor Certificate for Regulation S to Rule 144A Transfer**

Exhibit B-3

**Form of Note and Combination Security Transferor Certificate for Rule 144A to Regulation S Transfer**



Exhibit C

**Form of McKee Nelson LLP Opinion**

Exhibit D

**Form of Maples and Calder Opinion**

Exhibit E

**Form of Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP Opinion**

Exhibit F

**Form of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP Opinion**

Exhibit G

**Form of Securities Account Control Agreement**

Exhibit H

**Forms of Section 3(c)(7) Notices**

Exhibit H-1

**Form of Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice**

Exhibit H-2

**Form of Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice**



Exhibit I

**Form of Beneficial Owner Certificate**

Exhibit J

**Form of Extension Notice**

## **EXHIBIT U**

**PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT**

This Portfolio Management Agreement, dated as of October 13, 2005 is entered into by and among GLENEAGLES CLO, LTD., an exempted company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands, with its registered office located at the offices of P.O. Box 1093 GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands (together with successors and assigns permitted hereunder, the "Issuer"), and HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, with its principal offices located at Two Galleria Tower, 13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300, Dallas, Texas 75240, as portfolio manager ("Highland" or, in such capacity, the "Portfolio Manager").

**WITNESSETH:**

WHEREAS, the Issuer and Gleneagles CLO Corp. (the "Co-Issuer") intend to issue their Class A-1 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2017 (the "Class A-1 Notes"), Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2017 (the "Class A-2 Notes"), Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2017 (the "Class B Notes"), Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2017 (the "Class C Notes") and the Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2017 (the "Class D Notes" and, together with the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes, the "Notes"), the Issuer intends to issue (i) its Class 1 Extendable Combination Securities Due 2017 (the "Class 1 Combination Securities") consisting of (a) a component entitling its holders to rights in respect of Preference Shares in an initial aggregate Face Amount equal to \$1,000,000, as defined below, (the "Class 1 Combination Security Preference Share Component") and (b) a component representing an initial aggregate principal amount of Class C Notes equal to \$4,000,000 (the "Class 1 Note Components") and (ii) its Class 2 Combination Securities due 2015 (the "Class 2 Combination Securities" and, together with the Class 1 Combination Securities, the "Combination Securities") consisting of (a) a component entitling its holders to rights in respect of Preference Shares, as defined below, (the "Class 2 Combination Security Preference Share Component" and, together with the Class 1 Combination Security Preference Share Component, the "Preference Share Components") and (b) a component entitling its holders to rights to receive proceeds from a trust account initially holding a \$20,000,000 principal-only zero coupon security issued by Banc of America Corporation maturing on October 30, 2015 (the "Class 2 Components") pursuant to an indenture (the "Indenture"), dated as of the date hereof, among the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, as co-issuer of the Notes, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as trustee (together with any successor trustee permitted under the Indenture, the "Trustee") and the Issuer intends to issue 91,000,000 preference shares, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Preference Shares" and together with the Notes, the "Securities"), pursuant to the Issuer's Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association;

WHEREAS, the Issuer intends to pledge certain Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments and Cash (all as defined in the Indenture) and certain other assets (all as set forth in the Indenture) (collectively, the "Collateral") to the Trustee as security for the Notes;

WHEREAS, the Issuer intends to pledge all of its right title and interest in the Class 2 Component Account, as defined in the Indenture, (the "Class 2 Collateral") to the Trustee as security for the Class 2 Components;

WHEREAS, the Issuer wishes to enter into this Portfolio Management Agreement, pursuant to which the Portfolio Manager agrees to perform, on behalf of the Issuer, certain duties with respect to the Collateral securing the Notes (including the Class 1 Note Components and the Class/Collateral securing the Class 2 Components) in the manner and on the terms set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the Portfolio Manager has the capacity to provide the services required hereby and is prepared to perform such services upon the terms and conditions set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements herein set forth, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Definitions.

Terms used herein and not defined below shall have the meanings set forth in the Indenture.

“Agreement” shall mean this Portfolio Management Agreement, as amended from time to time.

“Governing Instruments” shall mean the memorandum, articles or certificate of incorporation or association and by-laws, if applicable, in the case of a corporation; the certificate of formation, if applicable, or the partnership agreement, in the case of a partnership; or the certificate of formation, if applicable, or the limited liability company agreement, in the case of a limited liability company.

“Offering Circular” shall mean the Offering Memorandum of the Issuer dated October 7, 2005 prepared in connection with the offering of the Securities.

“Portfolio Manager Breaches” shall have the meaning specified in Section 10(a).

2. General Duties of the Portfolio Manager.

(a) The Portfolio Manager shall provide services to the Issuer as follows:

(i) Subject to and in accordance with the terms of the Indenture and this Agreement, the Portfolio Manager shall supervise and direct the investment and reinvestment of the Collateral, and shall perform on behalf of the Issuer those investment-related duties and functions that have been specifically delegated or assigned to the Portfolio Manager in the Indenture (and the Portfolio Manager shall have no obligation to perform any other duties other than as specified herein or under the Indenture) and, to the extent necessary or appropriate to perform such duties, the Portfolio Manager shall have the power to execute and deliver all necessary and appropriate documents and instruments on behalf of the Issuer with respect thereto, including without limitation, providing such certifications and Officer's certificates as are required of the Portfolio Manager or the Issuer under the Indenture with respect to the permitted purchases and sales of Collateral Obligations and other securities required or permitted to be purchased or sold under the Indenture. The Portfolio Manager shall, subject to the terms and conditions hereof and of the Indenture, perform its obligations hereunder and under the Indenture (including, without limitation, its obligations in Sections 2.4 and 9.6 thereof) with reasonable care, using a degree of skill and attention no less than that which the Portfolio Manager exercises with respect to comparable assets that it manages for others having similar investment objectives and restrictions, and in a manner consistent with practices and procedures followed by institutional managers of national standing relating to assets of the nature and character of the Collateral for clients having similar investment objectives and restrictions, except as expressly provided otherwise in this Agreement and/or the Indenture. To the extent not inconsistent with the

foregoing, the Portfolio Manager shall follow its customary standards, policies and procedures in performing its duties under the Indenture and hereunder. The Portfolio Manager shall comply with all terms and conditions of the Indenture affecting the duties and functions to be performed hereunder. The Portfolio Manager shall not be bound to follow any amendment to the Indenture until it has received written notice thereof and until it has received a copy of the amendment from the Issuer or the Trustee; provided, however, that the Portfolio Manager shall not be bound by any amendment to the Indenture that would reduce the rights or decrease the fees or any other amounts payable to the Portfolio Manager hereunder or under the Indenture or increase the duties, obligations or liabilities of the Portfolio Manager unless the Portfolio Manager shall have consented thereto in writing. The Issuer agrees that it shall not permit any amendment to the Indenture that (x) affects the rights, duties or liabilities of the Portfolio Manager or (y) affects the amount or priority of any fees payable to the Portfolio Manager to become effective unless the Portfolio Manager has been given prior written notice of such amendment and consented thereto in writing;

(ii) the Portfolio Manager shall select any Collateral which shall be acquired by the Issuer pursuant to the Indenture in accordance with the investment criteria set forth therein;

(iii) the Portfolio Manager shall monitor the Collateral on an ongoing basis and provide to the Issuer all reports, certificates, schedules and other data with respect to the Collateral which the Issuer is required to prepare and deliver under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement, in the form and containing all information required thereby and in reasonable time for the Issuer to review such required reports, certificates, schedules and data and to deliver them to the parties entitled thereto under the Indenture; the Portfolio Manager shall undertake to determine to the extent reasonably practicable whether a Collateral Obligation has become a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; and the Portfolio Manager shall monitor any Hedge Agreements and direct the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer in respect of all actions to be taken thereunder by the Issuer;

(iv) the Portfolio Manager, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture may, at any time permitted under the Indenture, and shall, when required by the Indenture, direct the Trustee (i) to dispose of a Collateral Obligation, Equity Security or Eligible Investment or other securities received in respect thereof in the open market or otherwise, or (ii) to acquire, as security for the Notes in substitution for or in addition to any one or more Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments included in the Collateral, one or more substitute Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments, and may, in each case subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture, direct the Trustee to take the following actions with respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment:

- (1) retain such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment;
- or
- (2) dispose of such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment in the open market or otherwise; or
- (3) if applicable, tender such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment pursuant to an Offer; or

(4) if applicable, consent to any proposed amendment, modification or waiver pursuant to an Offer; or

(5) retain or dispose of any securities or other property (if other than cash) received pursuant to an Offer; or

(6) waive any default with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or

(7) vote to accelerate the maturity of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or

(8) exercise any other rights or remedies with respect to such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment as provided in the related Underlying Instruments or take any other action consistent with the terms of the Indenture which is in the best interests of the Noteholders and the Holders of the Preference Shares; and

(v) subject to and in accordance with the terms of the Indenture and this Agreement, the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer shall determine whether to enter into any additional hedging arrangements, increase or reduce the notional amounts of existing Hedge Agreements or terminate existing Hedge Agreements, and the Portfolio Manager shall use its reasonable efforts to cause the Issuer, promptly following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) and to the extent possible through application of funds received as a result of the early termination (including the proceeds of the liquidation of any collateral pledged by the Hedge Counterparty), to enter into a replacement Hedge Agreement.

(b) In performing its duties hereunder, the Portfolio Manager shall seek to maximize the value of the Collateral for the benefit of the Noteholders and the Holders of the Preference Shares taking into account the investment criteria and limitations set forth herein and in the Indenture and the Portfolio Manager shall use reasonable efforts to manage the Collateral in such a way that will (i) permit a timely performance of all payment obligations by the Issuer under the Indenture and (ii) subject to such objective, maximize the return to the Holders of the Preference Shares; provided, that the Portfolio Manager shall not be responsible if such objectives are not achieved so long as the Portfolio Manager performs its duties under this Agreement in the manner provided for herein, and provided, further, that there shall be no recourse to the Portfolio Manager with respect to the Notes or the Preference Shares. The Portfolio Manager and the Issuer shall take such other action, and furnish such certificates, opinions and other documents, as may be reasonably requested by the other party hereto in order to effectuate the purposes of this Agreement and to facilitate compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the terms of this Agreement. The Portfolio Manager shall notify the Trustee and the Issuer in writing of an Event of Default under the Indenture of which the Portfolio Manager has actual knowledge.

(c) The Portfolio Manager hereby agrees to the following:

(i) The Portfolio Manager agrees not to institute against, or join any other Person in instituting against, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation proceedings or other proceedings under federal or state bankruptcy or similar laws of any jurisdiction until at least one year and one day after the payment in full of all Notes issued under the

Indenture or, if longer, the applicable period then provided by law; provided, however, that nothing in this clause (i) shall preclude, or be deemed to estop, the Portfolio Manager (A) from taking any action prior to the expiration of such period in (x) any case or proceeding voluntarily filed or commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, or (y) any involuntary insolvency proceeding filed or commenced against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, by a Person other than the Portfolio Manager, or (B) from commencing against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any properties of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any legal action which is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium, liquidation or similar proceeding.

(ii) The Portfolio Manager shall cause each sale or purchase of any Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment to be conducted on an arm's-length basis.

(d) The Portfolio Manager shall not act for the Issuer in any capacity except as provided in this Section 2. In providing services hereunder, the Portfolio Manager may employ third parties, including its Affiliates, to render advice (including investment advice) and assistance; provided, however, that the Portfolio Manager shall not be relieved of any of its duties or liabilities hereunder regardless of the performance of any services by third parties. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Portfolio Manager shall not be required to take any action required of it pursuant to this Agreement or the Indenture if such action would constitute a violation of any law.

(e) The Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates will maintain, in the aggregate, ownership of (or, through a derivative or similar arrangement, retain economic exposure to) Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount of at least \$15,000,000 until the earlier of such time as (i) none of the Notes are Outstanding or (ii) Highland is removed or resigns as Portfolio Manager and such removal or resignation has become effective in accordance with this Agreement.

### 3. Brokerage.

The Portfolio Manager shall seek to obtain the best prices and execution for all orders placed with respect to the Collateral, considering all reasonable circumstances. Subject to the objective of obtaining best prices and execution, the Portfolio Manager may take into consideration research and other brokerage services furnished to the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates by brokers and dealers which are not Affiliates of the Portfolio Manager. Such services may be used by the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates in connection with its other advisory activities or investment operations. The Portfolio Manager may aggregate sales and purchase orders of securities placed with respect to the Collateral with similar orders being made simultaneously for other accounts managed by Portfolio Manager or with accounts of the Affiliates of the Portfolio Manager, if in the Portfolio Manager's reasonable judgment such aggregation shall result in an overall economic benefit to the Issuer, taking into consideration the advantageous selling or purchase price, brokerage commission and other expenses. In the event that a sale or purchase of a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment (in accordance with the terms of the Indenture) occurs as part of any aggregate sales or purchase orders, the objective of the Portfolio Manager (and any of its Affiliates involved in such transactions) shall be to allocate the executions among the accounts in an equitable manner.

In addition to the foregoing and subject to the provisions of Section 2 and the limitations of Section 5, the objective of obtaining best prices and execution and to the extent permitted by applicable law, the Portfolio Manager may, on behalf of the Issuer, direct the Trustee to acquire any and all of the Eligible Investments or other Collateral from, or sell Collateral Obligations or other Collateral to, the Initial Purchaser, the Trustee or any of their respective Affiliates, or any other firm.



4. Additional Activities of the Portfolio Manager.

Nothing herein shall prevent the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates from engaging in other businesses, or from rendering services of any kind to the Trustee, the Noteholders, the Holders of the Preference Shares or any other Person or entity to the extent permitted by applicable law. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, the Portfolio Manager and partners, directors, officers, employees and agents of the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates may, among other things, and subject to any limits specified in the Indenture:

(a) serve as directors (whether supervisory or managing), officers, partners, employees, agents, nominees or signatories for any issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates, to the extent permitted by their Governing Instruments, as from time to time amended, or by any resolutions duly adopted by the Issuer, its Affiliates or any issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates, pursuant to their respective Governing Instruments; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on any item of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Collateral Quality Test; provided, further, that nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to limit the duties of the Portfolio Manager set forth in Section 2 hereof;

(b) receive fees for services of any nature rendered to the issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on any item of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Collateral Quality Test; and provided, further that if any portion of such services are related to purchase by the Issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral, the portion of such fees relating to such obligations shall be deposited into the Collection Account; and

(c) be a secured or unsecured creditor of, or hold an equity interest in, the Issuer, its Affiliates or any issuer of any obligation included in the Collateral; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on any item of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Collateral Quality Test; provided, further, that nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to limit the duties of the Portfolio Manager set forth in Section 2 hereof.

It is understood that the Portfolio Manager and any of its Affiliates may engage in any other business and furnish investment management and advisory services to others, including Persons which may have investment policies similar to those followed by the Portfolio Manager with respect to the Collateral and which may own securities of the same class, or which are the same type, as the Collateral Obligations or other securities of the issuers of Collateral Obligations. The Portfolio Manager shall be free, in its sole discretion, to make recommendations to others, or effect transactions on behalf of itself or for others, which may be the same as or different from those effected with respect to the Collateral.

Unless the Portfolio Manager determines in its reasonable judgment that such purchase or sale is appropriate, the Portfolio Manager may refrain from directing the purchase or sale hereunder of securities issued by (i) Persons of which the Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates or any of its or their officers, directors or employees are directors or officers, (ii) Persons for which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliate act as financial adviser or underwriter or (iii) Persons about which the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates have information which the Portfolio Manager deems confidential or non-public or otherwise might prohibit it from trading such securities in accordance with applicable law. The Portfolio

Manager shall not be obligated to pursue any particular investment strategy or opportunity with respect to the Collateral.

5. Conflicts of Interest.

(a) The Portfolio Manager shall not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Portfolio Manager such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Portfolio Manager, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the Adviser's Act.

(b) The Portfolio Manager shall not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Portfolio Manager serves as investment advisor, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Portfolio Manager serves as investment advisor unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Portfolio Manager, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Adviser's Act.

(c) In addition, the Portfolio Manager shall not undertake any transaction described in this Section 5 unless such transaction is exempt from the prohibited transaction rules of ERISA and the Code.

6. Records; Confidentiality.

The Portfolio Manager shall maintain appropriate books of account and records relating to services performed hereunder, and such books of account and records shall be accessible for inspection by a representative of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Share Paying Agent, the Noteholders, the Holders of the Preference Shares and the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to the Indenture at a mutually agreed time during normal business hours and upon not less than three Business Days' prior notice. At no time shall the Portfolio Manager make a public announcement concerning the issuance of the Notes or the Preference Shares, the Portfolio Manager's role hereunder or any other aspect of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the Indenture. The Portfolio Manager shall keep confidential any and all information obtained in connection with the services rendered hereunder and shall not disclose any such information to non-affiliated third parties except (i) with the prior written consent of the Issuer, (ii) such information as either Rating Agency shall reasonably request in connection with the rating of the Notes, (iii) as required by law, regulation, court order or the rules or regulations of any self regulating organization, body or official having jurisdiction over the Portfolio Manager, (iv) to its professional advisers, (v) such information as shall have been publicly disclosed other than in violation of this Agreement, or (vi) such information that was or is obtained by the Portfolio Manager on a non-confidential basis, provided, that the Portfolio Manager does not know or have reason to know of any breach by such source of any confidentiality obligations with respect thereto. For purposes of this Section 6, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Share Paying Agent, the Noteholders and the Holders of the Preference Shares shall in no event be considered "non-affiliated third parties."

Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement or the Indenture to the contrary, the Portfolio Manager, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Holders of the Notes and the Preference Shares

(and the beneficial owners thereof) (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) may disclose to any and all Persons, without limitation of any kind, the U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to them relating to such U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure, as such terms are defined under U.S. federal, state or local tax law.

7. Obligations of Portfolio Manager.

Unless otherwise specifically required by any provision of the Indenture or this Agreement or by applicable law, the Portfolio Manager shall use its best reasonable efforts to ensure that no action is taken by it, and shall not intentionally or with reckless disregard take any action, which would (a) materially adversely affect the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for purposes of Cayman Islands law, United States federal or state law or any other law known to the Portfolio Manager to be applicable to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, (b) not be permitted under the Issuer's Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association or the Co-Issuer's Articles of Incorporation or By-Laws, (c) violate any law, rule or regulation of any governmental body or agency having jurisdiction over the Issuer or the Co-Issuer including, without limitation, any Cayman Islands or United States federal, state or other applicable securities law the violation of which has or could reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any of the Collateral, (d) require registration of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the pool of Collateral as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act, (e) cause the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to violate the terms of the Indenture, including, without limitation, any representations made by the Issuer or Co-Issuer therein, or any other agreement contemplated by the Indenture or (f) engage in activities not permitted by Schedule 8 of the Indenture that would subject the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to U.S. federal or state income or franchise taxation or cause the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The Portfolio Manager covenants that it shall comply in all material respects with all laws and regulations applicable to it in connection with the performance of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, the Portfolio Manager shall not be required to take any action under this Agreement or the Indenture if such action would violate any applicable law, rule, regulation or court order.

8. Compensation.

(a) The Issuer shall pay to the Portfolio Manager, for services rendered and performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Management Fee, which shall be payable in such amounts and at such times as set forth in the Indenture. The provisions of the Indenture which relate to the amount and payment of the Management Fee shall not be amended without the consent of the Portfolio Manager. If on any Payment Date there are insufficient funds to pay such fee (and/or any other amounts due and payable to the Portfolio Manager) in full, the amount not so paid shall be deferred and shall be payable with accrued interest on such later Payment Date on which funds are available therefor as provided in the definition of "Subordinated Management Fee" in the Indenture.

(b) The Portfolio Manager shall be responsible for the ordinary expenses incurred in the performance of; provided, however, that any extraordinary expenses incurred by the Collateral Manager in the performance of such obligations (including, but not limited to, any fees, expenses or other amounts payable to the Rating Agencies, the Collateral Administrator, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the accountants appointed by the Issuer, the reasonable expenses incurred by the Portfolio Manager to employ outside lawyers or consultants reasonably necessary in connection with the evaluation, transfer or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation, any reasonable expenses incurred by the Portfolio Manager in obtaining advice from outside counsel with respect to its obligations under this Agreement, brokerage commissions, transfer fees, registration costs, taxes and

other similar costs and transaction related expenses and fees arising out of transactions effected for the Issuer's account and the portion allocated to the Issuer of any other fees and expenses that the Portfolio Manager customarily allocates among all of the funds or portfolios that it manages) shall be reimbursed by the Issuer to the extent funds are available therefor in accordance with and subject to the limitations contained in the Indenture.

(c) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 12, Section 14 or otherwise, the fees payable to the Portfolio Manager shall be prorated for any partial periods between Payment Dates during which this Agreement was in effect and shall be due and payable on the first Payment Date following the date of such termination and on any subsequent Payment Dates to the extent remaining unpaid and in accordance with, and to the extent provided in, the Indenture.

9. Benefit of the Agreement.

The Portfolio Manager agrees that its obligations hereunder shall be enforceable at the instance of the Issuer, the Trustee, on behalf of the Noteholders, or the requisite percentage of Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares, as applicable, as provided in the Indenture or the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement, as applicable.

10. Limits of Portfolio Manager Responsibility; Indemnification.

(a) The Portfolio Manager assumes no responsibility under this Agreement other than to render the services called for hereunder and under the terms of the Indenture made applicable to it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement in good faith and, subject to the standard of conduct described in the next sentence, shall not be responsible for any action of the Issuer or the Trustee in following or declining to follow any advice, recommendation or direction of the Portfolio Manager. The Portfolio Manager, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, and its Affiliates and their directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, shall not be liable to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Noteholders, the Preference Share Paying Agent, the Holders of the Preference Shares or any other person for any losses, claims, damages, judgments, assessments, costs or other liabilities (collectively, "Liabilities") incurred by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Noteholders, the Preference Share Paying Agent, the Holders of the Preference Shares or any other person that arise out of or in connection with the performance by the Portfolio Manager of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture, except by reason of (i) acts or omissions constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, gross negligence or breach of fiduciary duty in the performance, or reckless disregard, of the obligations of the Portfolio Manager hereunder and under the terms of the Indenture applicable to it or (ii) with respect to any information included in the Offering Circular in the sections entitled "The Portfolio Manager" that contains any untrue statement of material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) collectively being the "Portfolio Manager Breaches").

(b) The Issuer shall indemnify and hold harmless (the Issuer in such case, the "Indemnifying Party") the Portfolio Manager, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees (such parties collectively in such case, the "Indemnified Parties") from and against any and all Liabilities, and shall reimburse each such Indemnified Party for all reasonable fees and expenses (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) (collectively, the "Expenses") as such Expenses are incurred in investigating, preparing, pursuing or defending any claim, action, proceeding or investigation with respect to any pending or threatened litigation (collectively, the "Actions"), caused by, or arising out of or in connection with, the issuance of the Securities, the transactions contemplated by the Offering Circular, the Indenture or this Agreement, and/or any action taken by, or any failure to act by, such

Indemnified Party; provided, however, that no Indemnified Party shall be indemnified for any Liabilities or Expenses it incurs as a result of any acts or omissions by any Indemnified Party constituting Portfolio Manager Breaches. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the obligations of the Issuer under this Section 10 shall be payable solely out of the Collateral in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Indenture and shall survive termination of this Agreement.

(c) With respect to any claim made or threatened against an Indemnified Party, or compulsory process or request or other notice of any loss, claim, damage or liability served upon an Indemnified Party, for which such Indemnified Party is or may be entitled to indemnification under this Section 10, such Indemnified Party shall (or with respect to Indemnified Parties that are directors, officers, stockholders, agents or employees of the Portfolio Manager, the Portfolio Manager shall cause such Indemnified Party to):

(i) give written notice to the Indemnifying Party of such claim within ten (10) days after such Indemnified Party's receipt of actual notice that such claim is made or threatened, which notice to the Indemnifying Party shall specify in reasonable detail the nature of the claim and the amount (or an estimate of the amount) of the claim; provided, however, that the failure of any Indemnified Party to provide such notice to the Indemnifying Party shall not relieve the Indemnifying Party of its obligations under this Section 10 unless the Indemnifying Party is materially prejudiced or otherwise forfeits rights or defenses by reason of such failure;

(ii) at the Indemnifying Party's expense, provide the Indemnifying Party such information and cooperation with respect to such claim as the Indemnifying Party may reasonably require, including, but not limited to, making appropriate personnel available to the Indemnifying Party at such reasonable times as the Indemnifying Party may request;

(iii) at the Indemnifying Party's expense, cooperate and take all such steps as the Indemnifying Party may reasonably request to preserve and protect any defense to such claim;

(iv) in the event suit is brought with respect to such claim, upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Indemnifying Party the right, which the Indemnifying Party may exercise in its sole discretion and at its expense, to participate in the investigation, defense and settlement of such claim;

(v) neither incur any material expense to defend against nor release or settle any such claim or make any admission with respect thereto (other than routine or incontestable admissions or factual admissions the failure to make which would expose such Indemnified Party to unindemnified liability) nor permit a default or consent to the entry of any judgment in respect thereof, in each case without the prior written consent of the Indemnifying Party; and

(vi) upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Indemnifying Party the right, in its sole discretion and at its sole expense, to assume the defense of such claim, including, but not limited to, the right to designate counsel reasonably acceptable to the Indemnified Party and to control all negotiations, litigation, arbitration, settlements, compromises and appeals of such claim; provided, that if the Indemnifying Party assumes the defense of such claim, it shall not be liable for any fees and expenses of counsel for any Indemnified Party incurred thereafter in connection with such claim except that if

such Indemnified Party reasonably determines that counsel designated by the Indemnifying Party has a conflict of interest in connection with its representation of such Indemnified Party, such Indemnifying Party shall pay the reasonable fees and disbursements of one counsel (in addition to any local counsel) separate from its own counsel for all Indemnified Parties in connection with any one action or separate but similar or related actions in the same jurisdiction arising out of the same general allegations or circumstances; provided, further, that prior to entering into any final settlement or compromise, such Indemnifying Party shall seek the consent of the Indemnified Party and use its commercially reasonable efforts in the light of the then prevailing circumstances (including, without limitation, any express or implied time constraint on any pending settlement offer) to obtain the consent of such Indemnified Party as to the terms of settlement or compromise. If an Indemnified Party does not consent to the settlement or compromise within a reasonable time under the circumstances, the Indemnifying Party shall not thereafter be obligated to indemnify the Indemnified Party for any amount in excess of such proposed settlement or compromise.

(d) In the event that any Indemnified Party waives its right to indemnification hereunder, the Indemnifying Party shall not be entitled to appoint counsel to represent such Indemnified Party nor shall the Indemnifying Party reimburse such Indemnified Party for any costs of counsel to such Indemnified Party.

(e) The U.S. federal securities laws impose liabilities under certain circumstances on persons who act in good faith; accordingly, notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, nothing herein shall in any way constitute a waiver or limitation of any rights which the Issuer, the Holders of Notes or Preference Shares may have under any U.S. federal securities laws.

#### 11. No Partnership or Joint Venture.

The Issuer and the Portfolio Manager are not partners or joint venturers with each other and nothing herein shall be construed to make them such partners or joint venturers or impose any liability as such on either of them. The Portfolio Manager's relation to the Issuer shall be deemed to be that of an independent contractor.

#### 12. Term; Termination.

(a) This Agreement shall commence as of the date first set forth above and shall continue in force and effect until the first of the following occurs: (i) the payment in full of the Notes, the termination of the Indenture in accordance with its terms and the redemption in full of the Preference Shares; (ii) the liquidation of the Collateral and the final distribution of the proceeds of such liquidation to the Noteholders and the Preference Share Paying Agent; or (iii) the termination of this Agreement in accordance with subsection (b), (c), (d) or (e) of this Section 12 or Section 14 of this Agreement.

(b) Subject to Section 12(f) below, the Portfolio Manager may resign, upon 90 days' written notice to the Issuer (or such shorter notice as is acceptable to the Issuer). If the Portfolio Manager resigns, the Issuer agrees to appoint a successor Portfolio Manager to assume such duties and obligations in accordance with Section 12(f).

(c) Subject to Section 12(f) below, the Portfolio Manager may be removed without cause upon 90 days' prior written notice by the Issuer, at the direction of the Holders of at least 66 2/3% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Preference Shares (excluding Preference Shares held

by the Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates or any account for which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority at the time of such vote); provided, however, that the Portfolio Manager shall have the right to avoid any such removal if, on or prior to the proposed removal date the following conditions are satisfied: (i) the Portfolio Manager provides written notice, not less than 20 Business Days prior to the proposed removal date, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Preference Shares), the Issuer and the Trustee that the Portfolio Manager intends to purchase not less than all of the Preference Shares voting for such removal from the Holders thereof (the "Directing Preference Shares"), (ii) in the notice provided to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Preference Shares) in the preceding clause (i), the Portfolio Manager includes a statement to the effect that each Holder of Preference Share who did not vote for removal may provide written notice to the Portfolio Manager not later than 5 Business Days prior to the proposed removal date that the Preference Shares held by such Holder shall be deemed to be included in the Directing Preference Shares as provided in the preceding clause (i), and (iii) the Portfolio Manager effects the purchase of not less than all of the Directing Preference Shares at the Buy-out Amount. If all of the conditions set forth in the preceding sentence are satisfied on or prior to the proposed removal date, the Portfolio Manager shall continue as the Portfolio Manager under this Agreement. For purposes of this Section 12(c), "Buy-out Amount" means, with respect to (i) the Directing Preference Shares, an amount, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Directing Preference Shares since the Closing Date, would cause the Directing Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of the Portfolio Manager's purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12% (assuming such purchase date was a "Payment Date" under the Indenture) and (ii) the Combination Securities, the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (i) in respect of the Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Components.

(d) This Agreement shall be automatically terminated in the event that the Issuer determines in good faith that the Issuer or the pool of Collateral has become required to be registered under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, and the Issuer notifies the Portfolio Manager thereof.

(e) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to this Section 12, neither party shall have any further liability or obligation to the other, except as provided in Sections 2(c)(i), 8, 10 and 15 of this Agreement.

(f) No removal, termination or resignation of the Portfolio Manager shall be effective unless the Issuer appoints a successor Portfolio Manager (a) (i) at the written direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority), (ii) such successor has agreed in writing to assume all of the Portfolio Manager's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture and (ii) such successor portfolio manager is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) the Holders of at least 66 2/3% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class or Notes or (y) the Holders of at least 66 2/3% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single Class (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority)); or (b) if a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority) has nominated two or more successor portfolio managers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (a) or has otherwise failed to appoint a successor portfolio manager that is not objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (a)(iii) within 30 days of the date of notice of such removal, termination or resignation of the Portfolio Manager, then (i) at the direction of the Holders of at least 66 2/3% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the

Controlling Class, (ii) such successor has agreed in writing to assume all of the Portfolio Manager's duties and obligations pursuant to the Management Agreement and the Indenture and (iii) such successor portfolio manager is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by the Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority); or (c) if 66 2/3% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class fail to appoint a successor portfolio manager pursuant to the preceding clause (b), within 90 days of the date of notice of such removal, termination or resignation of the Portfolio Manager, the Holders of at least 66 2/3% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class may petition a court of competent authority to appoint a successor portfolio manager. In addition, any successor Portfolio Manager must be an established institution which (i) has demonstrated an ability to professionally and competently perform duties similar to those imposed upon the Portfolio Manager hereunder, (ii) is legally qualified and has the capacity to act as Portfolio Manager hereunder, as successor to the Portfolio Manager under this Agreement in the assumption of all of the responsibilities, duties and obligations of the Portfolio Manager hereunder and under the applicable terms of the Indenture, (iii) shall not cause the Issuer or the pool of Collateral to become required to register under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, (iv) shall perform its duties as Portfolio Manager under this Agreement and the Indenture without causing the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Holder of Preference Shares to become subject to tax in any jurisdiction where such successor Portfolio Manager is established as doing business and (v) each Rating Agency has confirmed that the appointment of such successor Portfolio Manager shall not cause its then-current rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn. No compensation payable to a successor from payments on the Collateral shall be greater than that paid to the Portfolio Manager without the prior written consent of the Holders of at least 66 2/3% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, the Holders of at least 66 2/3% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes voting collectively and a Majority of the Preference Shares (voting collectively). The Issuer, the Trustee and the successor Portfolio Manager shall take such action (or cause the retiring Portfolio Manager to take such action) consistent with this Agreement and the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager, as shall be necessary to effectuate any such succession.

(g) In the event of removal of the Portfolio Manager pursuant to this Agreement, the Issuer shall have all of the rights and remedies available with respect thereto at law or equity, and, without limiting the foregoing, the Issuer or, to the extent so provided in the Indenture, the Trustee may by notice in writing to the Portfolio Manager as provided under this Agreement terminate all the rights and obligations of the Portfolio Manager under this Agreement (except those that survive termination pursuant to Section 12(e) above). Upon expiration of the applicable notice period with respect to termination specified in this Section 12 or Section 14 of this Agreement, as applicable, all authority and power of the Portfolio Manager under this Agreement, whether with respect to the Collateral or otherwise, shall automatically and without further action by any person or entity pass to and be vested in the successor Portfolio Manager upon the appointment thereof.

### 13. Delegation; Assignments.

This Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Portfolio Manager hereunder, shall not be delegated by the Portfolio Manager, in whole or in part, except to any entity that is both (i) controlled by two or more of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers and (ii) one in which two or more of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers is involved in the day to day management and operations (and in any such case pursuant to an instrument of delegation in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer), without the prior written consent of the Issuer, the Controlling Class of Notes and a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding Preference Shares held by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates), and, notwithstanding any such consent, no delegation of obligations or duties by the



Portfolio Manager (including, without limitation, to an entity described above) shall relieve the Portfolio Manager from any liability hereunder.

Subject to Section 12, any assignment of this Agreement to any Person, in whole or in part, by the Portfolio Manager shall be deemed null and void unless (i) such assignment is consented to in writing by the Issuer, the Holders of at least 66 2/3% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class of Notes and the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding Preference Shares held by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates or any account for which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority) and (ii) the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to any such assignment. Any assignment consented to by the Issuer and such Noteholders and Holders of Preference Shares shall bind the assignee hereunder in the same manner as the Portfolio Manager is bound. In addition, the assignee shall execute and deliver to the Issuer and the Trustee a counterpart of this Agreement naming such assignee as Portfolio Manager. Upon the execution and delivery of such a counterpart by the assignee and consent thereto by the Issuer, such Noteholders and such Holders of the Preference Shares, the Portfolio Manager shall be released from further obligations pursuant to this Agreement, except with respect to its obligations arising under Section 10 of this Agreement prior to such assignment and except with respect to its obligations under Sections 2(c)(i) and 15 hereof. This Agreement shall not be assigned by the Issuer without the prior written consent of the Portfolio Manager and the Trustee, except in the case of assignment by the Issuer to (i) an entity which is a successor to the Issuer permitted under the Indenture, in which case such successor organization shall be bound hereunder and by the terms of said assignment in the same manner as the Issuer is bound thereunder or (ii) the Trustee as contemplated by the Indenture. In the event of any assignment by the Issuer, the Issuer shall cause its successor to execute and deliver to the Portfolio Manager such documents as the Portfolio Manager shall consider reasonably necessary to effect fully such assignment. The Portfolio Manager hereby consents to the matters set forth in Article 15 of the Indenture.

#### 14. Termination by the Issuer for Cause.

Subject to Section 12(f) above, this Agreement shall be terminated, and the Portfolio Manager shall be removed, by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee or by the Holders of at least 66 2/3% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class of Notes or by a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates or any account for which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority at the time of such vote), in each case for "cause" upon 10 days' prior written notice to the Portfolio Manager and upon written notice to the Noteholders and the Holders of the Preference Shares as set forth below. For purposes of determining "cause" with respect to any such termination of this Agreement, such term shall mean any one of the following events:

(a) the Portfolio Manager willfully breaches in any respect, or takes any action that it knows violates in any respect, any provision of this Agreement or any terms of the Indenture applicable to it;

(b) the Portfolio Manager breaches in any material respect any provision of this Agreement or any terms of the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement applicable to it, or any representation, warranty, certification or statement given in writing by the Portfolio Manager shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or given, and the Portfolio Manager fails to cure such breach or take such action so that the facts (after giving effect to such action) conform in all material respects to such representation, warranty, certificate or statement, in each case within 30 days of becoming aware of, or receiving notice from, the Trustee of, such breach or materially incorrect representation, warranty, certificate or statement;

(c) the Portfolio Manager is wound up or dissolved (other than a dissolution in which the remaining members elect to continue the business of the Portfolio Manager in accordance with its Governing Instruments) or there is appointed over it or a substantial portion of its assets a receiver, administrator, administrative receiver, trustee or similar officer, or the Portfolio Manager (i) ceases to be able to, or admits in writing its inability to, pay its debts as they become due and payable, or makes a general assignment for the benefit of or enters into any composition or arrangement with, its creditors generally; (ii) applies for or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, assignee, custodian, liquidator or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Portfolio Manager or of any substantial part of its properties or assets, or authorizes such an application or consent, or proceedings seeking such appointment are commenced without such authorization, consent or application against the Portfolio Manager and continue undismissed for 60 days; (iii) authorizes or files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, or applies for or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the application of any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, readjustment of debt, insolvency or dissolution, or authorizes such application or consent, or proceedings to such end are instituted against the Portfolio Manager without such authorization, application or consent and are approved as properly instituted and remain undismissed for 60 days or result in adjudication of bankruptcy or insolvency; or (iv) permits or suffers all or any substantial part of its properties or assets to be sequestered or attached by court order and the order remains undismissed for 60 days;

(d) the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture that results from any breach by the Portfolio Manager of its duties under the Indenture or this Agreement, which breach or default is not cured within any applicable cure period; or

(e) (x) the occurrence of an act by the Portfolio Manager related to its activities in any securities, financial advisory or other investment business that constitutes fraud, (y) the Portfolio Manager being indicted, or any of its principals being convicted, of a felony criminal offense related to its activities in any securities, financial advisory or other investment business or (z) the Portfolio Manager being indicted for, adjudged liable in a civil suit for, or convicted of a violation of the Securities Act or any other United States Federal securities law or any rules or regulations thereunder.

If any of the events specified in this Section 14 shall occur, the Portfolio Manager shall give prompt written notice thereof to the Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Share Paying Agent and the Holders of all outstanding Notes and Preference Shares upon the Portfolio Manager's becoming aware of the occurrence of such event. The Controlling Class of Notes and a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates) may, acting together, waive any event described above as a basis for termination of this Agreement and removal of the Portfolio Manager under this Section 14.

#### 15. Action Upon Termination.

(a) From and after the effective date of termination of this Agreement, the Portfolio Manager shall not be entitled to compensation for further services hereunder, but shall be paid all compensation accrued to the date of termination, as provided in Section 8 hereof, and shall be entitled to receive any amounts owing under Section 10 hereof. Upon the effective date of termination of this Agreement, the Portfolio Manager shall as soon as practicable:

(i) deliver to the Issuer all property and documents of the Trustee or the Issuer or otherwise relating to the Collateral and the Class 2 Collateral then in the custody of the Portfolio Manager; and

(ii) deliver to the Trustee an accounting with respect to the books and records delivered to the Trustee or the successor Portfolio Manager appointed pursuant to Section 12(f) hereof.

Notwithstanding such termination, the Portfolio Manager shall remain liable to the extent set forth herein (but subject to Section 10 hereof) for its acts or omissions hereunder arising prior to termination and for any expenses, losses, damages, liabilities, demands, charges and claims (including reasonable attorneys' fees) in respect of or arising out of a breach of the representations and warranties made by the Portfolio Manager in Section 16(b) hereof or from any failure of the Portfolio Manager to comply with the provisions of this Section 15.

(b) The Portfolio Manager agrees that, notwithstanding any termination, it shall reasonably cooperate in any Proceeding arising in connection with this Agreement, the Indenture or any of the Collateral (excluding any such Proceeding in which claims are asserted against the Portfolio Manager or any Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager) upon receipt of appropriate indemnification and expense reimbursement.

16. Representations and Warranties.

(a) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants to the Portfolio Manager as follows:

(i) The Issuer has been duly registered and is validly existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands, has full power and authority to own its assets and the securities proposed to be owned by it and included in the Collateral and to transact the business in which it is presently engaged and is duly qualified under the laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Indenture, the Notes or the Preference Shares would require, such qualification, except for failures to be so qualified, authorized or licensed that would not in the aggregate have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Issuer.

(ii) The Issuer has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement, the Indenture, the Notes and the Preference Shares and all obligations required hereunder, under the Indenture, the Notes and the Preference Shares and has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement, the Indenture, the Notes and the Preference Shares on the terms and conditions hereof and thereof and the execution by the Issuer, delivery and performance of this Agreement, the Indenture, the Notes and the Preference Shares and the performance of all obligations imposed upon it hereunder and thereunder. No consent of any other person including, without limitation, stockholders and creditors of the Issuer, and no license, permit, approval or authorization of, exemption by, notice or report to, or registration, filing or declaration with, any governmental authority, other than those that may be required under state securities or "blue sky" laws and those that have been or shall be obtained in connection with the Indenture and the issuance of the Notes and the Preference Shares, is required by the Issuer in connection with this Agreement, the Indenture, the Notes or the Preference Shares or the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Agreement, the Indenture, the Notes or the Preference Shares or the obligations imposed upon it hereunder or thereunder. This Agreement constitutes, and each instrument or document required hereunder, when executed and delivered hereunder, shall constitute, the legally valid and binding obligation of the Issuer enforceable against the Issuer in

accordance with its terms, subject to (a) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights and (b) general equitable principles.

(iii) The execution by the Issuer, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the documents and instruments required hereunder shall not violate any provision of any existing law or regulation binding on the Issuer, or any order, judgment, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or governmental authority binding on the Issuer, or the Governing Instruments of, or any securities issued by, the Issuer or of any mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking to which the Issuer is a party or by which the Issuer or any of its assets may be bound, the violation of which would have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Issuer, and shall not result in or require the creation or imposition of any lien on any of its property, assets or revenues pursuant to the provisions of any such mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking (other than the lien of the Indenture).

(iv) The Issuer is not in violation of its Governing Instruments or in breach or violation of or in default under the Indenture or any contract or agreement to which it is a party or by which it or any of its assets may be bound, or any applicable statute or any rule, regulation or order of any court, government agency or body having jurisdiction over the Issuer or its properties, the breach or violation of which or default under which would have a material adverse effect on the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the performance by the Issuer of its duties hereunder.

(v) True and complete copies of the Indenture and the Issuer's Governing Instruments have been delivered to the Portfolio Manager.

The Issuer agrees to deliver a true and complete copy of each amendment to the documents referred to in Section 16(a)(v) above to the Portfolio Manager as promptly as practicable after its adoption or execution.

(b) The Portfolio Manager hereby represents and warrants to the Issuer as follows:

(i) The Portfolio Manager is a limited partnership duly organized and validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware, has full power and authority to own its assets and to transact the business in which it is currently engaged and is duly qualified and in good standing under the laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of this Agreement would require such qualification, except for those jurisdictions in which the failure to be so qualified, authorized or licensed would not have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Portfolio Manager or on the ability of the Portfolio Manager to perform its obligations under, or on the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement and the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager.

(ii) The Portfolio Manager has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement and all obligations required hereunder and under the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager, and has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement on the terms and conditions hereof and the

execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and all obligations required hereunder and under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager. No consent of any other person, including, without limitation, creditors of the Portfolio Manager, and no license, permit, approval or authorization of, exemption by, notice or report to, or registration, filing or declaration with, any governmental authority is required by the Portfolio Manager in connection with this Agreement or the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the obligations required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager. This Agreement has been, and each instrument and document required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture shall be, executed and delivered by a duly authorized partner of the Portfolio Manager, and this Agreement constitutes, and each instrument and document required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture when executed and delivered by the Portfolio Manager hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture shall constitute, the valid and legally binding obligations of the Portfolio Manager enforceable against the Portfolio Manager in accordance with their terms, subject to (a) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights and (b) general equitable principles.

(iii) The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager and the documents and instruments required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture shall not violate or conflict with any provision of any existing law or regulation binding on or applicable to the Portfolio Manager, or any order, judgment, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or governmental authority binding on the Portfolio Manager, or the Governing Instruments of, or any securities issued by the Portfolio Manager or of any mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking to which the Portfolio Manager is a party or by which the Portfolio Manager or any of its assets may be bound, the violation of which would have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Portfolio Manager or its ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement and the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager, and shall not result in or require the creation or imposition of any lien on any of its material property, assets or revenues pursuant to the provisions of any such mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking.

(iv) There is no charge, investigation, action, suit or proceeding before or by any court pending or, to the best knowledge of the Portfolio Manager, threatened that, if determined adversely to the Portfolio Manager, would have a material adverse effect upon the performance by the Portfolio Manager of its duties under, or on the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement and the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager hereunder.

(v) The Portfolio Manager is a registered investment advisor under the United States Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended.

(vi) The Portfolio Manager is not in violation of its Governing Instruments or in breach or violation of or in default under any contract or agreement to which it is a party or by which it or any of its property may be bound, or any applicable statute or any rule, regulation or order of any court, government agency or body having jurisdiction over the Portfolio Manager or its properties, the breach or violation of which or default under which would have a material adverse effect on the validity or

enforceability of this Agreement or the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager, or the performance by the Portfolio Manager of its duties hereunder.

17. Notices.

Unless expressly provided otherwise herein, all notices, requests, demands and other communications required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing (including by telecopy) and shall be deemed to have been duly given, made and received when delivered against receipt or upon actual receipt of registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, or, in the case of telecopy notice, when received in legible form, addressed as set forth below:

(a) If to the Issuer:

Gleneagles CLO, Ltd.  
P.O. Box 1093 GT  
Queensgate House, South Church Street,  
George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands  
Telecopy: (345) 945-7100  
Attention: The Directors

(b) If to the Portfolio Manager:

Highland Capital Management, L.P.  
Two Galleria Tower  
13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300  
Dallas, Texas 75240  
Telephone: (972) 628-4100  
Telecopy: (972) 628-4147  
Attention: James Dondero

(c) If to the Trustee:

JPMorgan Chase Bank  
600 Travis Street, 50<sup>th</sup> Floor,  
Houston, Texas 77002  
Telecopy: (713) 216-2101  
Attention: Institutional Trust Services—Gleneagles CLO, Ltd.

(d) If to the Noteholders:

In accordance with Section 14.4 of the Indenture, at their respective addresses set forth on the Note Register.

(e) If to the Holders of the Preference Shares:

In accordance with Section 14.4 of the Indenture, to the Preference Share Paying Agent at the address identified therein.

Any party may alter the address or telecopy number to which communications or copies are to be sent by giving notice of such change of address in conformity with the provisions of this Section 17 for the giving of notice.

18. Binding Nature of Agreement; Successors and Assigns.

This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns as provided herein. The Portfolio Manager hereby consents to the collateral assignment of this Agreement as provided in the Indenture and further agrees that the Trustee may enforce the Portfolio Manager's obligations hereunder.

19. Entire Agreement.

This Agreement contains the entire agreement and understanding among the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements, understandings, inducements and conditions, express or implied, oral or written, of any nature whatsoever with respect to the subject matter hereof. The express terms hereof control and supersede any course of performance and/or usage of the trade inconsistent with any of the terms hereof. This Agreement may not be modified or amended other than by an agreement in writing executed by the parties hereto and in accordance with the terms of Section 15.1(f)(iv) of the Indenture.

20. Conflict with the Indenture.

Subject to the last two sentences of Section 2(a)(ii), in the event that this Agreement requires any action to be taken with respect to any matter and the Indenture requires that a different action be taken with respect to such matter, and such actions are mutually exclusive, the provisions of the Indenture in respect thereof shall control.

21. Priority of Payments.

The Portfolio Manager agrees that the payment of all amounts to which it is entitled pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture shall be due and payable only in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Indenture and only to the extent funds are available for such payments in accordance with such priorities.

22. Governing Law.

**THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS PROVISIONS THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION.**

23. Indulgences Not Waivers.

Neither the failure nor any delay on the part of any party hereto to exercise any right, remedy, power or privilege under this Agreement shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power or privilege preclude any other or further exercise of the same or of any other right, remedy, power or privilege, nor shall any waiver of any right, remedy, power or privilege with respect to any occurrence be construed as a waiver of such right, remedy, power or privilege with respect to any other occurrence. No waiver shall be effective unless it is in writing and is signed by the party asserted to have granted such waiver.

24. Costs and Expenses.

Except as may otherwise be agreed in writing, the costs and expenses (including the fees and disbursements of counsel and accountants) incurred by each party in connection with the negotiation and preparation of and the execution of this Agreement, and all matters incident thereto, shall be borne by such party.

25. Titles Not to Affect Interpretation.

The titles of paragraphs and subparagraphs contained in this Agreement are for convenience only, and they neither form a part of this Agreement nor are they to be used in the construction or interpretation hereof.

26. Execution in Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts by facsimile or other written form of communication, each of which shall be deemed to be an original as against any party whose signature appears thereon, and all of which shall together constitute one and the same instrument. This Agreement shall become binding when one or more counterparts hereof, individually or taken together, shall bear the signatures of all of the parties reflected hereon as the signatories.

27. Provisions Separable.

In case any provision in this Agreement shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable as written, such provision shall be construed in the manner most closely resembling the apparent intent of the parties with respect to such provision so as to be valid, legal and enforceable; provided, however, that if there is no basis for such a construction, such provision shall be ineffective only to the extent of such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability and, unless the ineffectiveness of such provision destroys the basis of the bargain for one of the parties to this Agreement, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions hereof or thereof shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

28. Number and Gender.

Words used herein, regardless of the number and gender specifically used, shall be deemed and construed to include any other number, singular or plural, and any other gender, masculine, feminine or neuter, as the context requires.

29. Written Disclosure Statement.

The Issuer and the Trustee acknowledge receipt of Part II of the Portfolio Manager's Form ADV filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, as required by Rule 204-3 under the Advisers Act, more than 48 hours prior to the date of execution of this Agreement.

30. Miscellaneous.

(a) In the event that any vote is solicited with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, shall vote or refrain from voting any such security in any manner permitted by the Indenture that the Portfolio Manager has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Noteholders and the Holders of the Preference Shares. In addition, with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, may instruct the trustee for such Defaulted Collateral Obligation to enforce the Issuer's



rights under the Underlying Instruments governing such Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any applicable law, rule or regulation in any manner permitted under the Indenture that the Portfolio Manager has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Noteholders and the Holders of the Preference Shares. In the event any Offer is made with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, may take such action as is permitted by the Indenture and that the Portfolio Manager has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Noteholders and the Holders of the Preference Shares.

(b) In connection with taking or omitting any action under the Indenture or this Agreement, the Portfolio Manager may consult with counsel and may rely in good faith on the advice of such counsel or any opinion of counsel.

Without prejudice to Section 14(f) hereof, any corporation, partnership or limited liability company into which the Portfolio Manager may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any corporation, partnership or limited liability company resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Portfolio Manager shall be a party, or any corporation, partnership or limited liability company succeeding to all or substantially all of the collateral management business of the Portfolio Manager, shall be the successor to the Portfolio Manager without any further action by the Portfolio Manager, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Noteholders or any other person or entity.

### 31. Limitation of Liabilities.

The Issuer's obligations hereunder are solely the corporate obligations of the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager shall not have any recourse to any of the directors, officers, shareholders, members or incorporators of the Issuer with respect to any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations in connection with any transactions contemplated hereby, except for any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations caused by the gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct of such directors, officers, shareholders, members or incorporators of the Issuer. The obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be limited to the net proceeds of the Collateral, if any, and following realization of the Collateral and its application in accordance with the Indenture, any outstanding obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. The provisions of this section shall survive termination of this Agreement.


### 32. Consent to Posting of Documents on Repository.

The Portfolio Manager hereby consents to (i) the posting of the final Offering Circular, the Indenture and any Hedge Agreements (collectively, the "Documents") and the periodic reports to be delivered pursuant to the Documents and any amendments or other modifications thereto on the Repository (as such term is defined in the Indenture) for use in the manner provided in the Repository; and (ii) the display of its name on the Repository in connection therewith.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT,  
L.P., as Portfolio Manager

BY: STRAND ADVISORS, INC., as  
General Partner

By:   
Name: **James Dondero, CFA, CPA**  
Title: **President**  
**Highland Capital Management, L.P.**

GLENEAGLES CLO, LTD., as Issuer

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

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of  
the date first written above.

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT,  
L.P., as Portfolio Manager

BY: STRAND ADVISORS, INC., as  
General Partner

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

GLENEAGLES CLO, LTD., as Issuer

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: **Wendy Ebanks**  
Title: **Director**

## **EXHIBIT V**

**EXECUTION COPY**

Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement  
As of October 13, 2005

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as  
Preference Shares Paying Agent  
Worldwide Securities Services  
Gleneagles CLO, Ltd.  
600 Travis Street, 50th Floor  
Houston, Texas 77002

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Gleneagles CLO, Ltd., a company existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the "**Issuer**"), has resolved to appoint JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association ("**JPMCB**"), as Preference Shares Paying Agent (the "**Preference Shares Paying Agent**") for the Issuer's Preference Shares (the "**Preference Shares**"). We hereby appoint JPMCB as such under the terms set forth below and confirm JPMCB's agreement to hold any funds to be paid to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Priority of Payments set forth in the Indenture (as defined herein) in a segregated account described below. Reference is also made to the Indenture, dated as of October 13, 2005, among the Issuer, Gleneagles CLO Corp., as Co-Issuer (the "**Co-Issuer**") and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as trustee (the "**Indenture**"). Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings assigned thereto in the Indenture or, if not defined therein, certain resolutions passed at a meeting of the Issuer's Board of Directors that was held on October 12, 2005, as reflected in the minutes thereof, including Annex A ("**Annex A**") therein (the "**Resolutions**"). The Preference Shares will be issued, and may be exchanged or transferred, subject to the procedures set forth in Annex A to the Resolutions.

Except as otherwise specified herein or as the context may otherwise require or dictate or unless the Combination Securities are explicitly addressed in the same context, (A) all references in this Agreement to the "Preference Shares" include the "Preference Share Component" of the Class 1 Combination Securities and the Class 2 Combination Securities and (B) all references in this Agreement to the rights of the Holders of the Preference Shares (including with respect to any payments, distributions, redemptions, votes or consents to be given by such Holders) include the rights of the Holders of the Class 1 Combination Securities and the Class 2 Combination Securities to the extent of the Preference Share Component of the Class 1 Combination Securities and the Class 2 Combination Securities, respectively.

Section 1. Notice of Distribution to Directors. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, promptly after receipt of the Valuation Report, shall forward to the Directors the Valuation Report which identifies the Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds, payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares on the applicable Payment Date.

Section 2. Payments of Dividends and Other Distributions, Amounts Not Distributable. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, subject to paragraphs (b) and (c) below, pay or cause to be paid, on behalf of the Issuer on such Payment Date, the Interest

Proceeds and Principal Proceeds received from the Trustee to the Holders of the Preference Shares as a distribution on such Payment Date. Distributions of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to the Holders of Preference Shares shall be paid *pro rata* in the proportion that the number of Preference Shares held by each such Holder bears to the total number of Preference Shares. The Issuer, or the Share Registrar on its behalf, shall provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with a copy of the Preference Share register on the Closing Date and thereafter, the Share Registrar shall promptly notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent of any changes to the Preference Share register. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall notify the Issuer and the Share Registrar of any transfers.

(b) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, distributions of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds by way of dividend to the Holders of Preference Shares on any Payment Date out of amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account shall (i) be subject to the Issuer being solvent under Cayman Islands law (defined as the Issuer being able to pay its debts as they become due in the ordinary course of business) immediately prior to, and after giving effect to, such payment as determined by the Issuer and (ii) be made only to the extent that the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium out of which to make such payment as determined by the Issuer. If the Issuer determines that the conditions set forth in either clause (i) or (ii) above are not satisfied with respect to any portion of Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds payable on such Payment Date, the Issuer shall instruct the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing no later than one Business Day prior to such Payment Date that such portion of Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds, as applicable, should not be paid, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not pay the same, to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the first succeeding Payment Date, or (in the case of any payments which would otherwise be payable on the Redemption Date or any Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) until the first succeeding Business Day, upon which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing that each such condition is satisfied, at which time the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall distribute such amounts. To the extent available, distributions shall be made first out of distributable profits for the current Due Period, then out of distributable profits in excess of dividends for prior Due Periods and then out of share premium.

(c) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, distributions of the Redemption Price by way of redemption of the Preference Shares shall be subject to the Issuer being solvent under Cayman Islands law (defined as the Issuer being able to pay its debts as they become due in the ordinary course of business) immediately prior to, and after giving effect to, such distribution as determined by the Issuer. For purposes of this subsection (c), a determination as to whether the Issuer is solvent on the Redemption Date shall be made by the Issuer (A) after giving effect to any payments to be made on such Redemption Date and (B) in light of the fact that the obligations of the Issuer to the Holders of the Securities, the other Secured Parties and the other Persons subject to the Priority of Payments are limited in recourse to the Collateral (and, in respect of the Class 2 Combination Securities, the Class 2 Collateral), and not to amounts (i) in the Preference Shares Distribution Account, (ii) any other amounts released from the Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral in accordance with the Indenture or held by or on behalf of the Issuer for the benefit of the Holders of the Preference Shares or (iii) amounts on deposit in the Issuer's bank account in the Cayman Islands, and that after the assets in the

Collateral or the Class 2 Collateral are exhausted, such parties will have no further claim against the Issuer. If the Issuer determines that such condition is not satisfied on a Redemption Date with respect to any portion of the Redemption Price, the Issuer shall instruct the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing no later than one Business Day prior to such Redemption Date that such portion should not be distributed, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not distribute the same, to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the first succeeding Business Day upon which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing that such condition is satisfied, and the amounts so retained in the Preference Shares Distribution Account will be held therein until such amounts are paid.

Section 3. Payments and Redemption. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall make payments or distributions to each registered Holder on the relevant Record Date (as set out in Annex A to the Resolutions) by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a U.S. Dollar account maintained by the Holder as notified to the Preference Shares Paying Agent or, in the absence of such notification, by U.S. Dollar check mailed to the Holder at its address of record. The Issuer will, or will procure that the Share Registrar will, provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with all relevant information regarding the registered Holders of the Preference Shares as the Preference Shares Paying Agent may reasonably require to the extent such information is in possession or control of the Issuer or Share Registrar.

(b) The Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be obligated to pay any additional amounts to Holders or beneficial owners of the Preference Shares as a result of any withholding or deduction for, or on account of, any present or future taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges. As a condition to payment of any amount, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, may require certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments or distributions in respect of Preference Shares under any present or future law or regulation of the United States or any present or future law or regulation of any political subdivision thereof or taxing authority therein or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under such law or regulation. Amounts properly withheld under the Code by any Person from a payment or distribution to a Holder of Preference Shares shall be considered as having been paid by the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent to such Holder for all purposes herein. The Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereby provide notice to each Holder or beneficial owner of the Preference Shares that the failure to provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with appropriate tax certifications will result in amounts being withheld from payments to such Holders or beneficial owners of the Preference Shares under this Agreement (provided that amounts withheld pursuant to applicable tax laws shall be considered as having been paid by the Issuer as provided herein).

(c) The Issuer, the Share Registrar and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem and treat the Holder of any Preference Shares as the absolute owner of such Preference Shares, notwithstanding any notation of ownership or other writing on any certificate representing such Preference Shares, for the purpose of paying dividends and other distributions thereon, and for all other purposes, and neither the Issuer nor the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be affected by any notice to the contrary. All such payments so made to such Holder or

upon such Holder's order shall be valid and, to the extent of the sum or sums so paid, effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability for the monies payable upon any such Preference Share.

(d) All payments by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder shall be made without charging any commission or fee to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

(e) On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Issuer shall redeem the Preference Shares for a redemption price equal to all amounts distributable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Priority of Payments set forth in the Indenture, unless the Preference Shares have been redeemed earlier through an optional redemption or otherwise. Upon final payment due on the Preference Shares (whether on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date or any earlier Redemption Date), the Holder thereof shall present and surrender the certificates, if any, representing the Preference Shares at the office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent on or prior to such final payment date. On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, all payments on redemption of Preference Shares to the Holders of the Preference Shares shall be made *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings.

Notice of final payment of the Preference Shares pursuant to an optional redemption in conjunction with an optional redemption of the Notes shall be given as set forth in Section 9.3 of the Indenture. Notice of any other final payment shall be given by the Preference Shares Paying Agent by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days nor earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date to each Holder of Preference Shares at such Holder's address as set forth in the Preference Share register.

All notices of redemption shall state:

- (i) the Redemption Date on which the Preference Shares are to be redeemed;
- (ii) the applicable Redemption Price for the Preference Shares being redeemed;
- (iii) the place or places where such Preference Shares to be redeemed are to be surrendered for payment of the applicable Redemption Price, which shall be the office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent; and
- (iv) in the case of an optional redemption, the latest possible date upon which such notice of redemption may be withdrawn.

The Issuer shall have the option to withdraw any such notice of redemption up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) in each case only if either (i) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) of the Indenture, the Portfolio Manager does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications required under the Indenture (as described in Section 9.3(c) and 12.1(f) of the Indenture), as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, (ii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i) of the Indenture, the Issuer receives the written



direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption and (iii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii) of the Indenture, the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer thereby agrees for the benefit of the directing person to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (ii) or this clause (iii)). Notice of any such withdrawal shall be delivered pursuant to Section 9.3 of the Indenture.

Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Preference Shares.

(f) On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, so long as all administrative and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture and all amounts owing under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged:

(i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings; or

(ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, voting as a single Class or group, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such direction.

(g) If any Holder of Preference Shares desires to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Notes in accordance with Article 9 of the Indenture, such Holder shall notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Portfolio Manager not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made. If the Holders of at least  $66\frac{2}{3}\%$  of the Preference Shares direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Notes, the Issuer shall effect an Optional Redemption of the Notes pursuant to the procedures described in the Indenture.

(h) If any Holder of Preference Shares desires to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares after the redemption or repayment of the Notes and in accordance with Section (f)(i) and (ii) above, such Holder shall notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent not later than 30 (or with the Portfolio Manager's consent, not later than 10) Business Days prior to the proposed Redemption Date (which must be a Payment Date). Each Holder of Preference Shares that also wishes to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares must so

notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent (who shall promptly notify the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager of such direction) within 10 Business Days after receipt of such notice. If the aggregate number of Preference Shares that have directed the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares equals or exceeds the minimum threshold set forth in Section (f)(i) and (ii) above, the Issuer shall effect an optional redemption of the Preference Shares pursuant to the procedures described in the Preference Share Documents and this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Preference Shares must be redeemed on or prior to the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. The Preference Shares shall be redeemed from the proceeds of any Collateral remaining after giving effect to the redemption or repayment of the Notes and payment in full of all expenses of the Co-Issuers.

Section 4. Preference Shares Distribution Account. (a) On or prior to the Closing Date, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the "Preference Shares Distribution Account" (the "**Preference Shares Distribution Account**") that shall be held in trust in the name of the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the benefit of the Issuer, over which the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall cause the Trustee to make any payment pursuant to the Priority of Payments by wire transfer (or by internal transfer if the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent are the same Person) to the Preference Shares Distribution Account in immediately available funds. All sums received by the Preference Shares Paying Agent from the Trustee or the Issuer for payment of dividends or other distributions or the Redemption Price in respect of the Preference Shares shall be deposited promptly in the Preference Shares Distribution Account until the first Payment Date or, in the case of the payment of the Redemption Price in respect of the Preference Shares, the first Business Day, on which, in either case, the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent that such distribution can be made to the Holders of the Preference Shares in accordance with Section 2. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall then apply such funds as provided for in Section 3. All sums payable by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder shall be paid out of the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

(b) Notwithstanding anything herein, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not incur any personal liability to pay amounts due to Holders of the Preference Shares and shall only be required to make payments or other distributions (including the Redemption Price thereof) if there are sufficient monies in the Preference Shares Distribution Account to make such payments or other distributions.

(c) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no right of set off with respect to amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

(d) Amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account that are not paid out may be invested in an interest-bearing account as directed in writing by the Issuer.

Section 5. Unclaimed Payments. Except as otherwise required by applicable law, any money deposited with the Preference Shares Paying Agent and held in the Preference Shares Distribution Account or otherwise held for payment on any Preference Share and

remaining unclaimed for two years after such payment has become due and payable shall be paid to the Issuer on Issuer Request; and the Holder of such Preference Share shall thereafter look only to the Issuer for payment of such amounts and all liability of the Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such money (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Issuer) shall thereupon cease. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, before being required to make any such release of payment, may, but shall not be required to, adopt and employ, at the expense of the Issuer any reasonable means of notification of such release of payment, including, but not limited to, arranging with the Share Registrar for the Share Registrar to mail notice of such release to Holders of Preference Shares whose right to or interest in monies due and payable but not claimed is determinable from the records of the Issuer or Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, at the last address of record of each such Holder.

Section 6. Purchase of Preference Shares. (a) Each Holder or beneficial owner of a Preference Share, by its ownership of such Preference Share, acknowledges and agrees that such Holder or beneficial owner of a Preference Share will be required to sell its beneficial interest in such Preference Share in the following circumstances:

(i) any Non-Consenting Holder of Preference Shares with respect to an amendment of the Indenture (which includes Holders that fail to respond to a consent solicitation with the applicable period) will be forced to sell its applicable Preference Shares pursuant to Section 9.6 of the Indenture, whereby the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser is permitted to purchase the beneficial interest in the Preference Shares held by any such Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; or

(ii) any Holder of a Directing Preference Share with respect to the removal of the Portfolio Manager without cause will be forced to sell its applicable Preference Shares pursuant to Section 12(c) of the Management Agreement, whereby the Portfolio Manager is permitted to purchase the beneficial interest in all Directing Preference Shares held by any such Holder thereof at the applicable Buy-Out Amount; and

(b) Each Holder or beneficial owner of a Preference Share will have the right to sell its beneficial interest in such Preference Share to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser upon a Maturity Extension pursuant to Section 2.4 of the Indenture at the applicable Extension Purchase Price.

Section 7. Execution, Delivery and Dating. The certificates (if required by the Resolutions) relating to the Preference Shares shall be executed on behalf of the Issuer as provided for in the Articles.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Agreement, the Issuer may deliver Preference Share certificates (the "**Preference Share Certificates**") executed by the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, upon Issuer Order, shall deliver such Preference Share Certificates as provided in this Agreement and not otherwise.

Each Preference Share Certificate delivered by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to or upon Issuer Order on the Closing Date shall be dated the Closing Date. All other Preference Share Certificates that are delivered after the Closing Date for any other purpose under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement shall be dated the date of their delivery.

Section 8. Registration, Registration of Transfer and Exchange. (a) When the Preference Shares Paying Agent receives a request for transfer or exchange of Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall comply with its obligations as set forth in Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions.

(b) No exchange or transfer of the Preference Shares shall be honored unless the transferee represents or is deemed to represent that (i) no Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person will be permitted to purchase Preference Shares unless its purchase, holding and disposition of such Preference Shares (x) will not cause participation by Benefit Plan Investors to be "significant" within the meaning of the Plan Asset Regulations and (y) if the purchaser is a Benefit Plan Investor, the acquisition, holding and disposition of such Preference Shares or any interest therein will not constitute or result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or any similar federal, state, local or non-U.S. law applicable to any governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan, as applicable, for which no exemption is available and (ii) no purchase or transfer may be made to a purchaser or transferee that wishes to take delivery in the form of a Regulation S Global Preference Share that is a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person.

(c) Notwithstanding anything else contained herein to the contrary, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be responsible for ascertaining whether any purchase or transfer complies with, including but not limited to, the registration provisions of or exemptions from the Securities Act, applicable state laws, the Code, ERISA, the Plan Asset Regulations or the Investment Company Act; provided that if a certificate or other written representation is specifically required by the express terms of this Agreement or Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions to be delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by the purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine whether the same substantially conforms on its face with the terms of this Agreement or Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions, as applicable, and shall promptly notify the party delivering the same if such certificate does not comply with such terms.

(d) The Issuer shall (and shall cause the Share Registrar to) consult the Preference Shares Paying Agent in connection with all transfers of Preference Shares and shall (and shall cause the Share Registrar to) direct all transferors and transferees to correspond through the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Share Registrar shall not be required to determine whether any proposed exchange, transfer, redemption or other transaction in relation to the Preference Shares complies with any restrictions imposed by law or under the terms of the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents but shall be entitled to rely completely in that respect on the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

(e) In the event that the Preference Shares Paying Agent is notified by the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer) that any Holder of Preference Shares has

failed to provide the Issuer with the applicable United States federal income tax certifications, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall notify the Share Registrar and request it to record such transfer. Except as expressly provided herein or as required by this Agreement in connection with the Preference Shares Paying Agent's obligations to the Holders of Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no obligation to oversee or participate in any such transfer of Preference Shares.

Each purchaser or subsequent transferee (other than a subsequent transferee of Regulation S Global Preference Shares) of Preference Shares will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Trustee written certification in a form acceptable to the Issuer and the Trustee as to whether it is an Affected Bank and each subsequent transferee of Regulation S Global Preference Shares will be deemed to represent to the Issuer and to the Trustee that it is not an Affected Bank. No transfer of any Preference Share to an Affected Bank will be effective, and the Trustee will not recognize any such transfer, unless such transfer is specifically authorized by the Issuer in writing; provided, however, that the Issuer shall authorize any such transfer if (x) such transfer would not cause more than 33 1/3% of the aggregate outstanding amount of the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components of the Combination Securities) to be owned by Affected Banks or (y) the transferor is an Affected Bank previously approved by the Issuer.

Section 9. Additional Preference Shares. (a) In accordance with the Indenture, at any time during the Reinvestment Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or as otherwise permitted under the Preference Share Documents and the Indenture; provided, that the following conditions are met:

(i) The terms of the Preference Shares issued must be identical to the terms of previously issued Preference Shares (except that the price at which such additional Preference Shares may be offered may differ from the applicable initial offering price).

(ii) The net proceeds of any additional Preference Shares shall be used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations.

Additional Preference Shares may be offered at prices that differ from the applicable initial offering price; provided that such initial offering price shall not be below 100% of the face amount of the additional Preference Shares being offered.

(b) Additional Preference Shares may be executed by the Issuer and delivered to the Preference Share Paying Agent and thereupon the same shall be delivered to the Issuer by the Preference Share Paying Agent upon Issuer Order and upon receipt by the Preference Share Paying Agent of the following:

(i) Officers' Certificates of the Issuer Regarding Corporate Matters. An Officer's certificate of the Issuer (1) evidencing the authorization by Board Resolution of the execution and delivery of the Additional Preference Shares applied for by it and specifying the Scheduled Preference Share Redemption Date and the face amount of such Additional Preference Shares and (2) certifying that (a) the attached copy of such Board Resolution is a true and

complete copy thereof, (b) such resolutions have not been rescinded and are in full force and effect on and as of the Additional Preference Shares Closing Date and (c) the Officers authorized to execute and deliver such documents hold the offices and have the signatures indicated thereon.

(ii) Governmental Approvals. From the Issuer either (A) a certificate of the Issuer, or other official document evidencing the due authorization, approval or consent of any governmental body or bodies, at the time having jurisdiction in the premises, together with an Opinion of Counsel of the Issuer that no other authorization, approval or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of such Additional Preference Shares, or (B) an Opinion of Counsel of the Issuer that no such authorization, approval or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of such Additional Preference Shares except as have been given.

(iii) U.S. Counsel Opinions. Opinions of McKee Nelson LLP, special U.S. counsel to the Issuer, or other counsel acceptable to the Trustee, dated the Additional Preference Shares Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit C attached to the Indenture, each with additions or deletions reflecting the additional issuance.

(iv) Cayman Counsel Opinion. An opinion of Maples and Calder, Cayman Islands counsel to the Issuer, or other counsel acceptable to the Trustee, dated the Additional Preference Shares Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit D attached to the Indenture.

(v) Officer's Certificates of Issuer Regarding Indenture. An Officer's certificate of the Issuer stating that it is not in default under this Indenture and that the issuance of the Additional Preference Shares applied for by it will not result in a default or a breach of any of the terms, conditions or provisions of, or constitute a default under, its organizational documents, any indenture or other agreement or instrument to which it is a party or by which it is bound, or any order of any court or administrative agency entered in any Proceeding to which it is a party or by which it may be bound or to which it may be subject; that all conditions precedent provided in this Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement and the Indenture relating to the execution and delivery of the Additional Preference Shares applied for have been complied with; and that all expenses due or accrued with respect to the offering of the Additional Preference Shares or relating to actions taken on or in connection with the Additional Preference Shares Closing Date have been paid or reserved. The Officer's certificate of the Issuer shall also state that all of its representations and warranties contained herein and in the Indenture are true and correct as of the Additional Preference Shares Closing Date.

(vi) Officer's Certificate of Issuer Regarding Use of Proceeds. An Officer's certificate of the Issuer directing the Trustee to deposit the net proceeds from the issuance of the Additional Preference Shares into the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds.

(vii) Cayman Islands Listing. If the initial Preference Shares are listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange, an Officer's certificate of the Issuer to the effect that application has been made to list such Additional Preference Shares on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange.

(viii) Tax Opinion. An opinion of tax counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters shall be delivered to the Trustee to the effect that such additional issuance will not result in the Issuer being deemed to engage in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

(ix) Other Documents. Such other documents as the Preference Share Paying Agent may reasonably require; provided, that nothing in this clause (ix) shall imply or impose a duty on the Preference Share Paying Agent to so require any other documents.

Any Additional Preference Shares issued shall, to the extent reasonably practicable, be offered first to the existing Holder or beneficial owners of the Preference Shares, in such amounts as necessary to preserve their *pro rata* holdings of Preference Shares. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement or the Indenture to the contrary, no consent of any Holder of Securities shall be required for the issuance of Additional Preference Shares.

Section 10. Fees and Indemnification. The fee to be paid in connection with the Preference Shares Paying Agent's appointment and duties as Preference Shares Paying Agent is U.S.\$ 5,000 for each year any Preference Shares are outstanding. The fees payable hereunder shall be paid by the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent's account as directed by the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Issuer will indemnify the Preference Shares Paying Agent and its officers, directors, employees and agents, against any loss, liability or expense (including reasonable legal fees and out-of-pocket expenses of counsel) incurred in connection with their appointment and duties hereunder, except such as result from their own gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Preference Shares Paying Agent agrees that such fees and indemnification shall be treated as an Administrative Expense of the Issuer as defined in the Indenture and paid pursuant to the Priority of Payments. Anything in this Agreement notwithstanding, in no event shall the Preference Shares Paying Agent be liable for special, indirect or consequential losses or damages of any kind whatsoever (including but not limited to loss of profits), even if the Preference Shares Paying Agent has been advised of such loss or damage and regardless of the form of action. The obligation of the Issuer to indemnify the Preference Shares Paying Agent under this Section 10 shall survive retirement of the Preference Shares and any resignation or removal of the Preference Shares Paying Agent but shall remain subject to the provisions of Section 22.

Section 11. Liabilities. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be responsible or accountable to anyone for any reason whatsoever with respect to the validity of this Agreement or of the Preference Shares, or for any act done or omitted by it in good faith, or for anything whatsoever in connection with this Agreement, except for its own gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct in the performance of any duty to be performed by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder.

(b) The Preference Shares Paying Agent may consult as to legal matters with lawyers selected with due care by it, who may be employees of or regular independent counsel to the Issuer, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be protected from and shall incur no liability for action taken, or suffered to be taken, with respect to such matters in good faith and in accordance with the opinion or advice of such lawyers.

(c) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be protected from and shall incur no liability for or in respect of any action taken or thing suffered by it in reliance upon any Preference Shares, notice, direction, consent, certificate, affidavit, statement or other paper or document reasonably believed by it to be genuine and to have been delivered or signed by the proper parties, except as may result from its own gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct or that of its directors, officers, employees or agents.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be under any liability for interest on any money at any time received by it pursuant to any of the provisions of this Agreement, except as otherwise agreed in writing with the Issuer.

(e) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not incur any liability with respect to the validity or value of any of the Preference Shares unless otherwise specified herein.

Section 12. Conflicts. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent and its officers, directors and employees may become the holder of, or acquire any interest in, any Preference Shares, with the same rights that it or they would have if it were not the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder, or they were not such officers, directors, or employees, and may engage or be interested in any fiscal or other transaction with the Issuer and may act on, or as depository, trustee or agent for, any committee or body of holders of Preference Shares or other indebtedness of the Issuer as freely as if it were not the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder or they were not such officers, directors, or employees.

(b) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be obliged to perform such duties and only such duties as are specifically set forth herein, and no implied duties or obligations shall be read into this Agreement or the Indenture against the Preference Shares Paying Agent. Except for Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions (to the extent they do not contradict this Agreement), the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no duties under Annex A to the Resolutions. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be under any obligation to take any action hereunder that may tend to involve it in any expenses or liability, the payment of which within a reasonable time is not, in its reasonable opinion, assured to it. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be accountable or under any duty or responsibility in case of any default of which the Preference Shares Paying Agent has knowledge by the Issuer in the performance of its obligations contained in the Articles and Annex A to the Resolutions (including, without limitation, any duty or responsibility to initiate or attempt to initiate any proceedings at law or otherwise or to make any demand for payment upon the Issuer).

(c) In acting under this Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agent is acting solely as agent of the Issuer and does not assume any obligations to, or relationship of agency or trust for or with any of the owners or Holders of the Preference Shares. All funds held by the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment on the Preference Shares shall be held in trust for the Issuer, until paid.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, as between itself and the Holders of the Preference Shares, with respect to all the obligations, powers, authorities and discretions, vested in it hereunder and under the Articles and the Resolutions, have absolute and



uncontrolled discretion as to the exercise thereof whether in relation to the manner or as to the mode of and time for the exercise thereof and, in the absence of gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct on its part or that of its officers, directors or employees shall be in no way responsible for any loss, costs, damages or inconvenience that may result from the exercise or non-exercise thereof.

Section 13. Amendment. (a) This Agreement may be amended by the parties hereto, without the consent of the Holders of any Preference Shares, for the purpose of curing any ambiguity, or of curing, correcting or supplementing any defective provision contained herein, or in regard to matters or questions arising under this Agreement as the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem necessary or desirable and which shall not materially adversely affect the interests of Holders of the Preference Shares.

(b) Unless otherwise as set forth in subsection (a) above, this Agreement may be amended with the consent of Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares materially and adversely affected thereby, as evidenced by Opinion of Counsel.

(c) Any amendment to this Agreement must be in writing executed by each party hereto.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to its duties and obligations herein) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an opinion of counsel, consent or certificate of the Issuer in determining whether or not any proposed amendment is permitted hereunder.

Section 14. Resignation or Removal of the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Preference Shares Paying Agent may at any time resign as the Preference Shares Paying Agent, by giving written notice to the Issuer of its resignation, specifying the date on which its resignation shall become effective (which date shall not be less than 60 days after the date on which such notice is given unless the Issuer shall agree to a shorter period). The Issuer may remove the Preference Shares Paying Agent at any time by giving written notice of not less than 60 days to the Preference Shares Paying Agent specifying the date on which such removal shall become effective. Such resignation or removal shall only take effect upon the appointment by the Issuer of a successor Preference Shares Paying Agent and upon the acceptance of such appointment by such successor Preference Shares Paying Agent; provided, however, that in any event, such resignation or removal shall take effect not later than 90 days from the date of such notice of resignation or removal; provided, further, that after the retirement of the Notes, if the Issuer determines that no material distributions will be paid on the Preference Shares, the Issuer may remove the Preference Shares Paying Agent at any time, by giving written notice of not less than 10 days, and assume the duties of the Preference Shares Paying Agent itself.

Section 15. Assignment. No party hereto may assign or novate any of its rights or obligations hereunder except with the prior written consent of all the parties hereto.

Section 16. Reports and Notices. The Issuer hereby authorizes the Preference Shares Paying Agent to deliver or request the Trustee to deliver all Monthly Reports and

Valuation Reports (each a "**Report**" and, collectively, "**Reports**") prepared pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares and the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deliver, or shall cause the Administrator or the Trustee to deliver a copy of any such Report to such Holders within two Business Days of receipt of any such Report. In addition, the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deliver, or shall cause the Administrator or the Trustee to deliver, a copy of any other notice or information that it has received from the Trustee under the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares within two Business Days of receipt of such notice and information.

Section 17. Notices. (a) All communications by or on behalf of the Issuer relating to the transfer, exchange, or payment of a Preference Share or any interest therein shall be directed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent at its address set forth in clause (b)(ii) below.

Where this Agreement provides for notice to Holders of the Preference Shares of any event, such notice shall be sufficiently given (unless otherwise herein expressly provided) if such notice is in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, to each Holder of the Preference Shares affected by such event, at such Holder's address as it appears on the Preference Share register, not later than the latest date, and not earlier than the earliest date, prescribed for the giving of such notice.

Neither the failure to mail such notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Holder of Preference Shares shall affect the sufficiency of such notice with respect to other Holders. Any notice that is given in the manner herein provided shall conclusively be presumed to have been duly given whether or not actually received by such Holder. Any notice to Holders of the Preference Shares provided for in this Agreement will be deemed to have been given on the date of mailing.

Where this Agreement provides for notice in any manner, such notice may be waived in writing by any Person entitled to receive such notice, either before or after the event, and such waiver shall be the equivalent of such notice.

In the event that, by reason of the suspension of the regular mail service as a result of a strike, work stoppage or similar activity, it shall be impractical to mail notice of any event to Holders of the Preference Shares when such notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this Agreement, then any manner of giving such notice as shall be satisfactory to the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be deemed to be a sufficient giving of such notice.

(b) Notices and other communications hereunder shall (except to the extent otherwise expressly provided) be in writing and shall be addressed as follows, or to such other addresses as the parties hereto shall specify from time to time:

(i) if to the Issuer:

Gleneagles CLO, Ltd.  
c/o Maples Finance Limited  
P.O. Box 1093 GT

Queensgate House, South Church Street  
George Town, Grand Cayman  
Cayman Islands  
Fax: (345) 945-1700  
Attention: Directors

(ii) if to the Preference Shares Paying Agent:

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association  
600 Travis Street, 50th Floor  
Houston, Texas 77002  
Fax: (713) 216-2101  
Attention: Worldwide Securities Services - Gleneagles CLO, Ltd.

Section 18. Covenants of the Issuer. The Issuer shall not take any action under this Agreement or the Indenture that requires the authorization, direction or consent from the Holders of the Preference Shares without obtaining such authorization, direction or consent from the Holders of the Preference Shares. It shall be the responsibility of the Issuer to satisfy the Preference Shares Paying Agent as to the compliance with the foregoing condition (on which the Preference Shares Paying Agent may rely on in good faith).

Section 19. Transfer of Issuer Ordinary Shares. For so long as any of the Preference Shares are outstanding, the Issuer shall not agree to the transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares to U.S. Persons (as defined in the Code), and shall not transfer any such Issuer Ordinary Shares to any Person other than a Person which is a resident of the Cayman Islands.

Section 20. Identification of Holders. On demand of the Issuer, a Holder or beneficial owner of a Preference Share will notify the Issuer whether or not the Holder or beneficial owner of such Preference Share is a United States person within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code and the name and status of such Holder or beneficial owner as an individual, partnership, corporation, or other entity and such other information as the Issuer shall reasonably request for purposes of tax reporting of the Issuer or other Holders of the Preference Shares.

Section 21. Minimum Lots. Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Share Component) must be held in minimum lots of 250 Preference Shares per investor and integral multiples of 1 Preference Share in excess thereof.

Section 22. Limited Recourse; No Petition. The Preference Shares Paying Agent hereby acknowledges and agrees that the Issuer's obligations hereunder will be solely the corporate obligations of the Issuer, and that the Preference Shares Paying Agent will not have any recourse to any of the directors, officers, employees, shareholders or affiliates of the Issuer with respect to any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations in connection with any transactions contemplated hereby. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, recourse in respect of any obligations of the Issuer hereunder will be limited to the proceeds of the Collateral, paid pursuant to the Priority of Payments and on the exhaustion

thereof all obligations of and all claims against the Issuer arising from this Agreement or any transactions contemplated hereby shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, by entering into this Agreement, hereby covenants and agrees that it will not, prior to the date which is one year and one day (or, if longer, the applicable preference period) after the payment in full of all amounts owing under the Indenture and this Agreement, institute against the Issuer, or voluntarily join in any institution against the Issuer of, any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency or liquidation proceedings, or other proceedings under any United States federal or state bankruptcy or similar law of any jurisdiction within or without the United States in connection with any obligations relating to the Preference Shares or this Agreement. The provisions of this Section 22 shall survive termination of this Agreement for any reason whatsoever.

Section 23. (a) GOVERNING LAW. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

(b) WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL. EACH OF THE ISSUER AND THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY AND ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, THE PREFERENCE SHARES OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY.


Section 24. Signatures. This Agreement may be signed in two or more counterparts with the same effect as if the signatures thereto and hereto were upon the same instrument. A facsimile signature shall be considered due execution and shall be binding upon the signatory thereto with the same force and effect as if the signature were an original.

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Please indicate your acceptance of this appointment and the terms of this Agreement by signing and returning the enclosed copy of this Agreement. The Issuer by signing this Agreement confirms its agreement to the terms stated herein.

Very truly yours,

GLENEAGLES CLO, LTD.

By:   
Name: **Wendy Ebanks**  
Title: Director

Accepted and agreed to on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2005.

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

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

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JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

By:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Richard Johnson  
Title: Vice President

## **EXHIBIT W**

## Grayson CLO, Ltd. Grayson CLO Corp.

U.S.\$1,015,000,000 Class A-1a Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2021  
U.S.\$111,500,000 Class A-1b Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2021  
U.S.\$68,000,000 Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2021  
U.S.\$72,000,000 Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2021  
U.S.\$75,000,000 Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2021  
U.S.\$31,000,000 Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2021  
52,500 Class I Preference Shares  
75,000 Class II Preference Shares

Grayson CLO, Ltd. (the “**Issuer**”) and Grayson CLO Corp. (the “**Co-Issuer**” and, together with the Issuer, the “**Co-Issuers**”) will issue the Class A-1a Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2021 (the “**Class A-1a Notes**”), the Class A-1b Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2021 (the “**Class A-1b Notes**” and, together with the Class A-1a Notes, the “**Class A-1 Notes**”), the Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the “**Class A-2 Notes**” and, together with the Class A-1 Notes, the “**Class A Notes**”), the Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2021 (the “**Class B Notes**”) and the Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2021 (the “**Class C Notes**” and, together with the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes, the “**Senior Notes**”), and the Issuer will issue the Class D Floating Senior Secured Deferrable Extendable Notes Due 2021 (the “**Class D Notes**” and, together with the Senior Notes, the “**Notes**”), the Class I Preference Shares (the “**Class I Preference Shares**”) and the Class II Preference Shares (the “**Class II Preference Shares**” and, together with the Class I Preference Shares, the “**Preference Shares**” and, together with the Notes, the “**Securities**”), U.S.\$ 0.01 par value per share, in each case in the aggregate principal amounts or number of Preference Shares as described above. The Notes will be issued on or about November 30, 2006 (the “**Closing Date**”) pursuant to an indenture, dated as of the Closing Date (the “**Indenture**”), among the Co-Issuers and Investors Bank & Trust Company, as Trustee (the “**Trustee**”). The Preference Shares will be issued on or about the Closing Date pursuant to and subject to the terms of the Preference Share Documents. The Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares are subject to multiple extensions to the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (in the case of the Notes) and the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (in the case of the Preference Shares), if the Issuer provides timely notice and the Extension Conditions are satisfied as described herein.

The net proceeds of the offering of the Securities will be applied by the Issuer to repurchase participation interests in certain Collateral Obligations sold to finance the purchase of such Collateral Obligations prior to the Closing Date and to purchase additional Collateral Obligations on and after the Closing Date, all of which will be pledged under the Indenture by the Issuer to the Trustee for the benefit of the secured parties named therein. See “Use of Proceeds.”

Highland Capital Management, L.P. (“**Highland Capital**”) or, in such capacity, the “**Servicer**”) will service the Issuer’s portfolio.

The initial offer price of the Offered Notes is 100%. The Securities, other than the Offered Notes, are being offered from time to time in negotiated transactions at varying prices determined at the time of each sale.

This Offering Memorandum constitutes a prospectus (the “**Prospectus**”) for the purposes of Directive 2003/71/EC (the “**Prospectus Directive**”). Application is expected to be made to the Irish Financial Services Regulatory Authority, as competent authority under the Prospectus Directive for this Prospectus to be approved. Application is expected to be made to the Irish Stock Exchange for the Senior Notes to be admitted to the Official List and trading on its regulated market.

**For a discussion of certain factors regarding the Co-Issuers and the Securities that, among other things, should be considered by prospective purchasers of the Securities, see “Risk Factors.”**

**CERTAIN PLEDGED ASSETS OF THE ISSUER ARE THE SOLE SOURCE OF PAYMENTS ON THE SECURITIES. THE SECURITIES DO NOT REPRESENT AN INTEREST IN OR OBLIGATIONS OF, AND ARE NOT INSURED OR GUARANTEED BY, THE HOLDERS OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES, THE SERVICER, THE TRUSTEE, ANY PAYING AGENT, THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT, THE INITIAL PURCHASER, ANY HEDGE COUNTERPARTY OR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES.**

**THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN, AND WILL NOT BE, REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “SECURITIES ACT”) AND NEITHER THE ISSUER NOR THE CO-ISSUER WILL BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT”). THE SENIOR NOTES WILL BE OFFERED AND SOLD TO NON-U.S. PERSONS (AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT (“REGULATION S”)) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN RELIANCE ON REGULATION S. THE SENIOR NOTES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, U.S. PERSONS EXCEPT TO PERSONS THAT ARE (I) QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYERS (AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT (“RULE 144A”)) (EACH, A “QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER”) AND (II) QUALIFIED PURCHASERS FOR PURPOSES OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT (“SECTION 3(c)(7)”) (EACH, A “QUALIFIED PURCHASER”). THE CLASS D NOTES AND THE PREFERENCE SHARES WILL BE OFFERED AND SOLD ONLY TO PERSONS THAT ARE (I) QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYERS AND (II) QUALIFIED PURCHASERS. THE SECURITIES ARE NOT TRANSFERABLE EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS DESCRIBED UNDER “TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS.”**

The Senior Notes, other than certain Senior Notes offered and sold directly by the Co-Issuers to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates, and certain of the Class D Notes, (the “**Offered Notes**”) are being offered, subject to prior sale, when, as and if delivered to and accepted by Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC (the “**Initial Purchaser**” or “**Credit Suisse**”). On or about the Closing Date, (i) certain of the Class D Notes will be offered and sold directly by the Issuer to the Servicer and/or one or more of its Affiliates; (ii) all of the Class I Preference Shares will be offered and sold directly by the Issuer to Grayson Investors Corp., an exempted limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands (“**Investors Corp.**”) and (iii) all of the Class II Preference Shares will be offered and sold by the Issuer directly to Highland Financial Partners, L.P. (“**HFP**”) (an Affiliate of the Servicer) and/or one or more of its subsidiaries. The Initial Purchaser is not acting as initial purchaser with respect to the offering of certain of the Class D Notes or any of the Preference Shares.

**Credit Suisse**

The date of this Offering Memorandum is November 28, 2006.



Payment of interest on, and principal of, the Notes will be made by the Issuer in U.S. Dollars on the first day of each February, May, August and November of each year (or if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day) (each such date a “**Payment Date**”), commencing May 1, 2007, to the extent of available cash flow in respect of the Collateral in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Each Class of Notes will bear interest at the per annum rates set forth under “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.” The Preference Shares will receive as dividends certain amounts available for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments. In addition, Holders of the Class II Preference Shares are entitled, subject to any restrictions under Cayman Islands law, to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments equivalent to the proceeds that would otherwise constitute Servicing Fees payable to the Servicer during the first two years following the Closing Date. After the two-year anniversary of the Closing Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Issuer to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. See “Description of the Securities—Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Preference Shares from Interest Proceeds” and “—Priority of Payments.”

The Notes will be subject to Optional Redemption in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period, in each case at the direction of the applicable Required Redemption Percentage. The Notes will be subject to mandatory redemption on any Payment Date, to the extent that any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied, as described herein. The Notes will be subject to Special Redemption, at the discretion of the Servicer, to the extent that at any time during the Replacement Period, the Servicer cannot identify satisfactory additional or replacement Collateral Obligations. The Notes will be subject to Refinancing after the fifth anniversary of the Closing Date on the terms and conditions described herein. After redemption in full of the Notes, the Preference Shares will be subject to Optional Redemption in whole or in part on any Payment Date by the Issuer at the direction of the Holders of the requisite percentage of the Preference Shares at the applicable Redemption Price pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted; *provided, however*, that the Preference Shares must be redeemed on or prior to the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. See “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption,” “Optional Redemption—Redemption by Refinancing,” “—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes,” “—Special Redemption of Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture” and “—Priority of Payments.” The principal amount of the Notes will be payable at the Stated Maturity, unless redeemed or paid in full prior thereto. The Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed at their Redemption Price on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, unless redeemed prior thereto.

**Application is expected to be made to list the Senior Notes on the regulated market of the Irish Stock Exchange (the “ISE”). However, there can be no assurance that the ISE will in fact accept the listing of the Senior Notes or, if accepted, that such listing will be maintained. Furthermore, the Co-Issuers will not be required to maintain a listing on a stock exchange in the European Union if compliance with requirements of the European Commission on a member state becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer.**

It is a condition of the issuance of the Securities that (i) the Class A-1a Notes be rated “Aaa” by Moody’s Investors Service, Inc. (“**Moody’s**”) and “AAA” by Standard & Poor’s Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. (“**S&P**” and, together with Moody’s, the “**Rating Agencies**”), (ii) the Class A-1b Notes be rated at least “Aa1” by Moody’s and rated “AAA” by S&P, (iii) the Class A-2 Notes be rated at least “Aa2” by Moody’s and at least “AA” by S&P, (iv) the Class B Notes be rated at least “A2” by Moody’s and at least “A” by S&P, (v) the Class C Notes be rated at least “Baa2” by Moody’s and at least “BBB” by S&P and (vi) the Class D Notes be rated at least “Ba2” by Moody’s and at least “BB” by S&P. Each of the above ratings assumes that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing

Date. A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning Rating Agency. The Preference Shares will not be rated by any credit rating agency.

No person has been authorized to make or provide any representation or information regarding the Co-Issuers or the Securities other than as contained in this Offering Memorandum. Any such representation or information should not be relied upon as having been authorized by the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchaser. The delivery of this Offering Memorandum at any time does not imply that the information contained in it is correct as of any time subsequent to the date of this Offering Memorandum. The Co-Issuers disclaim any obligation to update such information and do not intend to do so. Unless otherwise indicated, all information in this Offering Memorandum is given as of the date of this Offering Memorandum.

This Offering Memorandum has been prepared by the Co-Issuers solely for use in connection with the listing of the Senior Notes and the offering of the Securities as described herein. Unless as otherwise provided herein, the Co-Issuers have taken reasonable care to ensure that facts stated in this Offering Memorandum are true and accurate in all material respects and that there have not been omitted material facts the omission of which would make misleading in any material respect any statements of fact or opinion herein. The Co-Issuers accept responsibility accordingly.

The information appearing in the sections entitled “Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer” and “The Servicer” and the information with respect to the Servicer Letter Disclosure has been prepared by the Servicer and has not been independently verified by the Initial Purchaser or the Co-Issuers. The Initial Purchaser and the Co-Issuers do not assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness, or applicability of such information, except that the Co-Issuers assume responsibility for accurately reproducing such information in this Offering Memorandum.

None of the Initial Purchaser, the Servicer (except with respect to the sections entitled, “Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer” and “The Servicer” and with respect to the Servicer Letter Disclosure) or the Trustee makes any representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the accuracy or completeness of the information in this Offering Memorandum. Each person receiving this Offering Memorandum acknowledges that such person has not relied on the Initial Purchaser, the Servicer (except with respect to the section entitled “Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer” and “The Servicer” and with respect to the Servicer Letter Disclosure) or the Trustee or any person affiliated therewith, in connection with its investigation of the accuracy of such information or its investment decision. Each person contemplating making an investment in the Securities must make its own investigation and analysis of the creditworthiness of the Co-Issuers and its own determination of the suitability of any such investment, with particular reference to its own investment objectives and experience, and any other factors that may be relevant to it in connection with such investment.

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION OR OTHER REGULATORY AUTHORITY, AND NONE OF THE FOREGOING AUTHORITIES HAS CONFIRMED THE ACCURACY OR DETERMINED THE ADEQUACY OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

This Offering Memorandum contains summaries of certain documents. The summaries do not purport to be complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to such documents. Each person receiving this

Offering Memorandum acknowledges that such person has been afforded an opportunity to request from the Issuer and to review, and has received, all additional information considered by such person to be necessary to verify the accuracy and completeness of the information herein. Requests and inquiries regarding this Offering Memorandum or such documents should be directed to the Issuer, in care of the Initial Purchaser at 11 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10010, Attention: CDO Group. Such requests may also be made to the Listing Agent at the address set forth on the final page of this Offering Memorandum.

The Securities are a new issue of securities. There can be no assurance that a secondary market for any of the Securities will develop, or if a secondary market does develop, that it will provide the Holders of such Securities with liquidity of investment or that it will continue. Accordingly, investors should be prepared to bear the risks of holding the Securities until final payment is made thereon.

THE CONTENTS OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM ARE NOT TO BE CONSTRUED AS ACCOUNTING, LEGAL, BUSINESS OR TAX ADVICE. EACH PROSPECTIVE INVESTOR SHOULD CONSULT ITS OWN ACCOUNTANT, ATTORNEY, BUSINESS ADVISOR AND TAX ADVISOR AS TO LEGAL, BUSINESS AND TAX ADVICE. NONE OF THE CO-ISSUERS, THE INITIAL PURCHASER, THE SERVICER OR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES MAKES ANY REPRESENTATION TO ANY OFFEREE OF THE SECURITIES REGARDING THE LEGALITY OF AN INVESTMENT THEREIN BY SUCH OFFEREE UNDER APPLICABLE LEGAL INVESTMENT OR SIMILAR LAWS OR REGULATIONS OR THE PROPER CLASSIFICATION OF SUCH AN INVESTMENT THEREUNDER.

This Offering Memorandum does not constitute an offer of, or an invitation by or on behalf of, the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchaser to subscribe to or purchase any of the Securities in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful to make such an offer or invitation. The distribution of this Offering Memorandum and the offering of the Securities in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law. Persons into whose possession this Offering Memorandum comes are required by the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchaser to inform themselves about and to observe any such restrictions. For a description of certain further restrictions on offers and sales of Securities and distribution of this Offering Memorandum, see "Description of the Securities," "Plan of Distribution" and "Transfer Restrictions."

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has been registered under the Investment Company Act in reliance on an exclusion from the definition of "investment company" under Section 3(c)(7) under the Investment Company Act ("**Section 3(c)(7)**"). Each purchaser of Senior Notes represented by an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will be deemed to represent and agree and each purchaser of Class D Notes will be required to represent and agree that (i) the purchaser is acquiring such Notes in a principal amount of not less than U.S.\$250,000, and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof for such purchaser (and, in the case of the Senior Notes, each account for which such purchaser is purchasing such Notes) and (ii) the purchaser (and, in the case of the Senior Notes, each such account), is a Qualified Purchaser for purposes of Section 3(c)(7) ("**Qualified Purchaser**"). Each purchaser of Preference Shares will be required to represent and agree that (i) the purchaser is acquiring such Preference Shares in a number of not less than 100 Preference Shares and in integral multiples of one Preference Share in excess thereof for such purchaser and (ii) the purchaser is a Qualified Purchaser. See "Transfer Restrictions."

The Issuer and the Co-Issuer may, at any time following the Closing Date, rely on exclusion from the definition of "investment company" under Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act ("**Rule 3a-7**") in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7) upon (a) receipt of an opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm providing that neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer is required to register as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act in reliance on such exclusion under Rule 3a-7 and (b) notice to the Holders of the Securities in accordance with the Indenture and the Preference

Share Documents. In connection with the Issuer's reliance on Rule 3a-7 in lieu of Section 3(c)(7), the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents may be amended without the consent of any Holders and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to prevent the Issuer from becoming an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7). See "Risk Factors—The Servicer May Cause the Issuer to Amend the Indenture to Assure Compliance with Rule 3a-7 Without the Consent of the Holders of the Securities in a Manner That May Adversely Affect the Holders of Securities."

No invitation to subscribe for the Securities may be made to the public in the Cayman Islands.

Prospective purchasers are hereby notified that a seller of the Securities may be relying on an exemption from the registration requirements of Section 5 of the Securities Act provided by Section 4(2) of the Securities Act ("Section 4(2)").

In this Offering Memorandum references to "Dollars," "\$" and "U.S.\$" are dollars or other equivalent units in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for all debts, public and private.

**NO ACTION WAS TAKEN OR IS BEING CONTEMPLATED BY THE CO-ISSUERS THAT WOULD PERMIT A PUBLIC OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES OR POSSESSION OR DISTRIBUTION OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY AMENDMENT THEREOF, OR SUPPLEMENT THERETO OR ANY OTHER OFFERING MATERIAL RELATING TO THE SECURITIES IN ANY JURISDICTION (OTHER THAN IRELAND) WHERE, OR IN ANY OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH, ACTION FOR THOSE PURPOSES IS REQUIRED. NOTHING CONTAINED HEREIN SHALL CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO SELL OR A SOLICITATION OF AN OFFER TO PURCHASE ANY SECURITIES IN ANY JURISDICTION WHERE IT IS UNLAWFUL TO DO SO ABSENT THE TAKING OF SUCH ACTION OR THE AVAILABILITY OF AN EXEMPTION THEREFROM.**

**THIS DOCUMENT IS CONSIDERED AN ADVERTISEMENT FOR PURPOSES OF APPLICABLE MEASURES IMPLEMENTING E.U. DIRECTIVE 2003/71/EC. A PROSPECTUS PREPARED PURSUANT TO THE PROSPECTUS DIRECTIVE WILL BE PUBLISHED, WHICH CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE ISSUER AND THE IRISH PAYING AGENT. SEE "LISTING AND GENERAL INFORMATION."**

#### **NOTICE TO NEW HAMPSHIRE RESIDENTS**

**NEITHER THE FACT THAT A REGISTRATION STATEMENT OR AN APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE HAS BEEN FILED UNDER CHAPTER 421-B OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE REVISED STATUTES (THE "RSA") WITH THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE NOR THE FACT THAT A SECURITY IS EFFECTIVELY REGISTERED OR A PERSON IS LICENSED IN THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CONSTITUTES A FINDING BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE THAT ANY DOCUMENT FILED UNDER RSA 421-B IS TRUE, COMPLETE AND NOT MISLEADING. NEITHER ANY SUCH FACT NOR THE FACT THAT AN EXEMPTION OR EXCEPTION IS AVAILABLE FOR A SECURITY OR A TRANSACTION MEANS THAT THE SECRETARY OF STATE HAS PASSED IN ANY WAY UPON THE MERITS OR QUALIFICATIONS OF, OR RECOMMENDED OR GIVEN APPROVAL TO, ANY PERSON, SECURITY, OR TRANSACTION. IT IS**

**UNLAWFUL TO MAKE, OR CAUSE TO BE MADE, TO ANY PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER, CUSTOMER, OR CLIENT ANY REPRESENTATION INCONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PARAGRAPH.**

**NOTICE TO CONNECTICUT RESIDENTS**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE CONNECTICUT SECURITIES LAW. THE SECURITIES ARE SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFERABILITY AND SALE.

**NOTICE TO FLORIDA RESIDENTS**

THE SECURITIES OFFERED HEREBY WILL BE SOLD TO, AND ACQUIRED BY, THE HOLDER IN A TRANSACTION EXEMPT UNDER SECTION 517.061 OF THE FLORIDA SECURITIES ACT ("FSA"). THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER SAID ACT IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA. IN ADDITION, IF SALES ARE MADE TO FIVE OR MORE PERSONS IN FLORIDA, ALL FLORIDA PURCHASERS OTHER THAN EXEMPT INSTITUTIONS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 517.061(7) OF THE FSA SHALL HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF VOIDING THE PURCHASE WITHIN THREE (3) DAYS AFTER THE FIRST TENDER OF CONSIDERATION IS MADE BY SUCH PURCHASER TO THE CO-ISSUERS, AN AGENT OF THE CO-ISSUERS, OR AN ESCROW AGENT.

**NOTICE TO GEORGIA RESIDENTS**

THE SECURITIES HAVE BEEN ISSUED OR SOLD IN RELIANCE ON PARAGRAPH (13) OF CODE SECTION 10-5-9 OF THE GEORGIA SECURITIES ACT OF 1973, AND MAY NOT BE SOLD OR TRANSFERRED EXCEPT IN A TRANSACTION WHICH IS EXEMPT UNDER SUCH ACT OR PURSUANT TO AN EFFECTIVE REGISTRATION UNDER SUCH ACT.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF AUSTRALIA**

NO PROSPECTUS, DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT, OFFERING MATERIAL OR ADVERTISEMENT IN RELATION TO THE SECURITIES HAS BEEN LODGED WITH THE AUSTRALIAN SECURITIES AND INVESTMENTS COMMISSION OR THE AUSTRALIAN STOCK EXCHANGE LIMITED. ACCORDINGLY, A PERSON MAY NOT (A) MAKE, OFFER OR INVITE APPLICATIONS FOR THE ISSUE, SALE OR PURCHASE OF THE SECURITIES WITHIN, TO OR FROM AUSTRALIA (INCLUDING AN OFFER OR INVITATION WHICH IS RECEIVED BY A PERSON IN AUSTRALIA) OR (B) DISTRIBUTE OR PUBLISH THIS INFORMATION MEMORANDUM OR ANY OTHER PROSPECTUS, DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT, OFFERING MATERIAL OR ADVERTISEMENT RELATING TO THE SECURITIES IN AUSTRALIA, UNLESS (I) THE MINIMUM AGGREGATE CONSIDERATION PAYABLE BY EACH OFFEREE IS THE U.S. DOLLAR EQUIVALENT OF AT LEAST A\$500,000 (DISREGARDING MONEYS LENT BY THE OFFEROR OR ITS ASSOCIATES) OR THE OFFER OTHERWISE DOES NOT REQUIRE DISCLOSURE TO INVESTORS IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 6D.2 OF THE CORPORATIONS ACT 2001 (CWLTH) OF AUSTRALIA; AND (II) SUCH ACTION COMPLIES WITH ALL APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF AUSTRIA**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS CIRCULATED IN AUSTRIA FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING INFORMATION ABOUT THE SECURITIES TO A LIMITED NUMBER OF SOPHISTICATED INVESTORS IN AUSTRIA. THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS MADE AVAILABLE ON THE CONDITION THAT IT IS SOLELY FOR THE USE OF THE RECIPIENT AS A SOPHISTICATED, POTENTIAL AND INDIVIDUALLY SELECTED INVESTOR AND MAY NOT BE PASSED ON TO ANY OTHER PERSON OR REPRODUCED IN WHOLE OR IN PART. THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A PUBLIC OFFERING (ÖFFENTLICHES ANGEBOT) IN AUSTRIA AND MUST NOT BE USED IN CONJUNCTION WITH A PUBLIC OFFERING PURSUANT TO THE CAPITAL MARKET ACT (KAPITALMARKTGESETZ) AND/OR THE INVESTMENT FUND ACT (INVESTMENTFONDSGESETZ) IN AUSTRIA. CONSEQUENTLY, NO PUBLIC OFFERS OR PUBLIC SALES MUST BE MADE IN AUSTRIA IN RESPECT OF THE SECURITIES. THE SECURITIES ARE NOT REGISTERED IN AUSTRIA. IN CASE THE SECURITIES ARE QUALIFIED AS SHARES IN A FOREIGN INVESTMENT FUND WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE INVESTMENT FUND ACT, THEY MIGHT BE SUBJECT TO A LESS FAVORABLE TAX TREATMENT THAN SHARES IN INVESTMENT FUNDS ESTABLISHED IN AUSTRIA UNDER THE

INVESTMENT FUND ACT. ALL PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS ARE URGED TO SEEK INDEPENDENT TAX ADVICE. THE INITIAL PURCHASER AND ITS AFFILIATES DO NOT GIVE TAX ADVICE.

#### **ANMERKUNG FÜR EINWOHNER VON ÖSTERREICH**

DIESER PROSPEKT WIRD IN ÖSTERREICH NUR ZU DEM ZWECK HERAUSGEGEBEN, UM EINER BESCHRÄNKTEN ANZAHL VON PROFESSIONELLEN MARKTTETILNEHMERN IN ÖSTERREICH INFORMATIONEN ÜBER DIE ANGEBOTENEN WERTPAPIERE ZU GEBEN. DIESER PROSPEKT WIRD UNTER DER BEDINGUNG ZUR VERFÜGUNG GESTELLT, DASS DIESER PROSPEKT AUSSCHLIESSLICH VOM EMPFÄNGER ALS EINEM PROFESSIONELLEN POTENTIELLEN UND EINZELN AUSGEWÄHLTEN ANLEGER VERWENDET WIRD UND ER DARF NICHT AN EINE ANDERE PERSON WEITERGEGEBEN ODER TEILWEISE ODER VOLLSTÄNDIG REPRODUZIERT WERDEN. DIESER PROSPEKT STELLT KEIN ÖFFENTLICHES ANGEBOT IN ÖSTERREICH DAR UND DARF NICHT IN ZUSAMMENHANG MIT EINEM ÖFFENTLICHEN ANGEBOT IN ÖSTERREICH IM SINNE DES KAPITALMARKTGESETZES UND/ODER DES INVESTMENTFONDSGESETZES VERWENDET WERDEN. FOLGLICH DÜRFEN IN ÖSTERREICH KEINE ÖFFENTLICHEN ANGEBOTE ODER VERKÄUFE DER ANGEBOTENEN WERTPAPIEREN DURCHGEFÜHRT WERDEN. DIE WERTPAPIERE SIND NICHT IN ÖSTERREICH ZUGELASSEN. SOLLTEN DIE WERTPAPIERE ALS ANTEILE AN EINEM AUSLÄNDISCHEN INVESTMENTFONDS QUALIFIZIERT WERDEN, KÖNNTEN SIE EINER UNGÜNSTIGEREN BESTEUERUNG ALS ANTEILE AN IN ÖSTERREICH GEMÄSS DEM INVESTMENTFONDSGESETZ ERRICHTETEN INVESTMENTFONDS UNTERLIEGEN. ALLE KÜNFTIGEN ANLEGER WERDEN DAHER AUFGEFORDERT, UNABHÄNGIGE STEUERBERATUNG EINZUHOLEN. DER ERSTKÄUFER UND DIE MIT IHM VERBUNDENEN UNTERNEHMEN ERTEILEN KEINE STEUERLICHE BERATUNG.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF BAHRAIN**

EACH OF THE CO-ISSUERS, THE SERVICER, AND THE INITIAL PURCHASER REPRESENTS AND WARRANTS THAT IT HAS NOT MADE AND WILL NOT MAKE ANY INVITATION TO THE PUBLIC IN THE STATE OF BAHRAIN TO SUBSCRIBE FOR THE SECURITIES AND THAT THE DOCUMENT WILL NOT BE ISSUED, PASSED TO, OR MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC GENERALLY.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF BELGIUM**

THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD, TRANSFERRED OR DELIVERED IN OR FROM BELGIUM AS PART OF THEIR INITIAL DISTRIBUTION OR AT ANY TIME THEREAFTER, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, UNLESS THEY SHALL EACH HAVE A NOMINAL AMOUNT OF EUR 50,000 OR MORE.

ANY OFFER TO SELL OR SALE OF SECURITIES MUST BE MADE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE LAW OF JULY 14, 1991 ON CONSUMER PROTECTION AND TRADE PRACTICES ("SUR LES PRATIQUES DU COMMERCE ET SUR L'INFORMATION ET LA PROTECTION DU CONSOMMATEUR"/"BETREFFENDE DE HANDELSPRAKTIJKEN EN DE VOORLICHTING EN BESCHERMING VAN DE CONSUMENT"), TO THE EXTENT APPLICABLE PURSUANT TO THE ROYAL DECREE OF DECEMBER 5, 2000 "RENDANT APPLICABLES AUX INSTRUMENTS FINANCIERS ET AUX TITRES ET VALEURS CERTAINES DISPOSITIONS DE LA LOI DU 14 JUILLET 1991 SUR LES PRATIQUES DU COMMERCE ET SUR L'INFORMATION ET LA PROTECTION DU CONSOMMATEUR"/"WAARBIJ SOMMIGE BEPALINGEN VAN DE WET VAN 14 JULI 1991 BETREFFENDE DE HANDELSPRAKTIJKEN EN DE VOORLICHTING EN BESCHERMING VAN DE CONSUMENT, VAN TOEPASSING WORDEN VERKLAARD OP FINANCIËLE INSTRUMENTEN, EFFECTEN EN WAARDEN."

#### **NOTICE TO CANADIAN RESIDENTS**

##### *RESALE RESTRICTIONS*

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SECURITIES IN CANADA IS BEING MADE ONLY ON A PRIVATE PLACEMENT BASIS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE CO-ISSUERS PREPARE AND FILE A PROSPECTUS WITH THE SECURITIES REGULATORY AUTHORITIES IN EACH PROVINCE WHERE TRADES OF SECURITIES ARE MADE. ANY RESALE OF THE SECURITIES IN CANADA MUST BE MADE UNDER APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS WHICH WILL VARY DEPENDING ON THE RELEVANT JURISDICTION, AND WHICH MAY REQUIRE REALES TO BE MADE UNDER AVAILABLE

STATUTORY EXEMPTIONS OR UNDER A DISCRETIONARY EXEMPTION GRANTED BY THE APPLICABLE CANADIAN SECURITIES REGULATORY AUTHORITY. PURCHASERS ARE ADVISED TO SEEK LEGAL ADVICE PRIOR TO ANY RESALE OF THE SECURITIES.

*REPRESENTATIONS OF PURCHASERS*

BY PURCHASING SECURITIES IN CANADA AND ACCEPTING A PURCHASE CONFIRMATION A PURCHASER IS REPRESENTING TO THE CO-ISSUERS AND THE DEALER FROM WHOM THE PURCHASE CONFIRMATION IS RECEIVED THAT:

- THE PURCHASER IS ENTITLED UNDER APPLICABLE PROVINCIAL SECURITIES LAWS TO PURCHASE THE SECURITIES WITHOUT THE BENEFIT OF A PROSPECTUS QUALIFIED UNDER THOSE SECURITIES LAWS,
- WHERE REQUIRED BY LAW, THAT THE PURCHASER IS PURCHASING AS PRINCIPAL AND NOT AS AGENT,
- THE PURCHASER HAS REVIEWED THE TEXT ABOVE UNDER RESALE RESTRICTIONS, AND
- THE PURCHASER ACKNOWLEDGES AND CONSENTS TO THE PROVISION OF SPECIFIED INFORMATION CONCERNING ITS PURCHASE OF THE SECURITIES TO THE REGULATORY AUTHORITY THAT BY LAW IS ENTITLED TO COLLECT THE INFORMATION.

FURTHER DETAILS CONCERNING THE LEGAL AUTHORITY FOR THIS INFORMATION ARE AVAILABLE ON REQUEST.

*RIGHTS OF ACTION – ONTARIO PURCHASERS ONLY*

UNDER ONTARIO SECURITIES LEGISLATION, CERTAIN PURCHASERS WHO PURCHASE A SECURITY OFFERED BY THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM DURING THE PERIOD OF DISTRIBUTION WILL HAVE A STATUTORY RIGHT OF ACTION FOR DAMAGES, OR WHILE STILL THE OWNER OF THE SECURITIES, FOR RESCISSION AGAINST THE CO-ISSUERS IN THE EVENT THAT THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS A MISREPRESENTATION WITHOUT REGARD TO WHETHER THE PURCHASER RELIED ON THE MISREPRESENTATION. THE RIGHT OF ACTION FOR DAMAGES IS EXERCISABLE NOT LATER THAN THE EARLIER OF 180 DAYS FROM THE DATE THE PURCHASER FIRST HAD KNOWLEDGE OF THE FACTS GIVING RISE TO THE CAUSE OF ACTION AND THREE YEARS FROM THE DATE ON WHICH PAYMENT IS MADE FOR THE SECURITIES. THE RIGHT OF ACTION FOR RESCISSION IS EXERCISABLE NOT LATER THAN 180 DAYS FROM THE DATE ON WHICH PAYMENT IS MADE FOR THE SECURITIES. IF A PURCHASER ELECTS TO EXERCISE THE RIGHT OF ACTION FOR RESCISSION, THE PURCHASER WILL HAVE NO RIGHT OF ACTION FOR DAMAGES AGAINST THE CO-ISSUERS. IN NO CASE WILL THE AMOUNT RECOVERABLE IN ANY ACTION EXCEED THE PRICE AT WHICH THE SECURITIES WERE OFFERED TO THE PURCHASER AND IF THE PURCHASER IS SHOWN TO HAVE PURCHASED THE SECURITIES WITH KNOWLEDGE OF THE MISREPRESENTATION, THE CO-ISSUERS WILL HAVE NO LIABILITY. IN THE CASE OF AN ACTION FOR DAMAGES, THE CO-ISSUERS WILL NOT BE LIABLE FOR ALL OR ANY PORTION OF THE DAMAGES THAT ARE PROVEN TO NOT REPRESENT THE DEPRECIATION IN VALUE OF THE SECURITIES AS A RESULT OF THE MISREPRESENTATION RELIED UPON. THESE RIGHTS ARE IN ADDITION TO, AND WITHOUT DEROGATION FROM, ANY OTHER RIGHTS OR REMEDIES AVAILABLE AT LAW TO AN ONTARIO PURCHASER. THE FOREGOING IS A SUMMARY OF THE RIGHTS AVAILABLE TO AN ONTARIO PURCHASER. ONTARIO PURCHASERS SHOULD REFER TO THE COMPLETE TEXT OF THE RELEVANT STATUTORY PROVISIONS.

*ENFORCEMENT OF LEGAL RIGHTS*

ALL OF THE ISSUER'S AND CO-ISSUSER'S DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS AS WELL AS THE EXPERTS NAMED HEREIN MAY BE LOCATED OUTSIDE OF CANADA AND, AS A RESULT, IT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE FOR CANADIAN PURCHASERS TO EFFECT SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN CANADA UPON THE CO-ISSUERS OR THOSE PERSONS. ALL OR A SUBSTANTIAL PORTION OF THE CO-ISSUERS' ASSETS AND THE ASSETS OF THOSE PERSONS MAY BE LOCATED OUTSIDE OF CANADA AND, AS A RESULT, IT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE TO SATISFY A JUDGMENT AGAINST THE CO-ISSUERS OR THOSE PERSONS IN CANADA OR TO ENFORCE A JUDGMENT OBTAINED IN CANADIAN COURTS AGAINST THE CO-ISSUERS OR THOSE PERSONS OUTSIDE OF CANADA.

*TAXATION AND ELIGIBILITY FOR INVESTMENT*

CANADIAN PURCHASERS OF SECURITIES SHOULD CONSULT THEIR OWN LEGAL AND TAX ADVISORS WITH RESPECT TO THE TAX CONSEQUENCES OF AN INVESTMENT IN THE SECURITIES IN THEIR PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCES AND ABOUT THE ELIGIBILITY OF THE SECURITIES FOR INVESTMENT BY THE PURCHASER UNDER RELEVANT CANADIAN LEGISLATION.

**NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC OF CAYMAN ISLANDS**

NO INVITATION MAY BE MADE TO THE PUBLIC IN THE CAYMAN ISLANDS TO SUBSCRIBE FOR SECURITIES OF THE ISSUER, AND THIS DOCUMENT MAY NOT BE ISSUED OR PASSED TO ANY SUCH PERSON.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF FINLAND**

THIS DOCUMENT HAS BEEN PREPARED FOR PRIVATE INFORMATION PURPOSES OF INTERESTED INVESTORS ONLY. IT MAY NOT BE USED FOR AND SHALL NOT BE DEEMED A PUBLIC OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES. THE FINNISH FINANCIAL SUPERVISION AUTHORITY (RAHOITUSTARKASTUS) HAS NOT APPROVED THIS DOCUMENT AND HAS NOT AUTHORIZED ANY OFFERING OF THE SUBSCRIPTION OF THE SECURITIES; ACCORDINGLY, THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD IN FINLAND OR TO RESIDENTS THEREOF EXCEPT AS PERMITTED BY FINNISH LAW. THIS DOCUMENT IS STRICTLY FOR PRIVATE USE BY ITS HOLDER AND MAY NOT BE PASSED ON TO THIRD PARTIES.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF FRANCE**

NO PROSPECTUS (INCLUDING ANY AMENDMENT, SUPPLEMENT OR REPLACEMENT THERETO) HAS BEEN PREPARED IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES THAT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE AUTORITÉ DES MARCHÉS FINANCIERS OR BY THE COMPETENT AUTHORITY OF ANOTHER STATE THAT IS A CONTRACTING PARTY TO THE AGREEMENT ON THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AREA THAT HAS BEEN RECOGNIZED IN FRANCE; NO SECURITIES HAVE BEEN OFFERED OR SOLD AND WILL BE OFFERED OR SOLD, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, TO THE PUBLIC IN FRANCE EXCEPT TO QUALIFIED INVESTORS (INVESTISSEURS QUALIFIÉS) AND/OR TO A LIMITED CIRCLE OF INVESTORS (CERCLE RESTREINT D'INVESTISSEURS) ACTING FOR THEIR OWN ACCOUNT AS DEFINED IN ARTICLE L. 411-2 OF THE FRENCH CODE MONÉTAIRE ET FINANCIER AND APPLICABLE REGULATIONS THEREUNDER; NONE OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY OTHER MATERIALS RELATED TO THE OFFERING OR INFORMATION CONTAINED THEREIN RELATING TO THE SECURITIES HAS BEEN RELEASED, ISSUED OR DISTRIBUTED TO THE PUBLIC IN FRANCE EXCEPT TO QUALIFIED INVESTORS (INVESTISSEURS QUALIFIÉS) AND/OR TO A LIMITED CIRCLE OF INVESTORS (CERCLE RESTREINT D'INVESTISSEURS) MENTIONED ABOVE; AND THE DIRECT OR INDIRECT RESALE TO THE PUBLIC IN FRANCE OF ANY SECURITIES ACQUIRED BY ANY QUALIFIED INVESTORS (INVESTISSEURS QUALIFIÉS) AND/OR ANY INVESTORS BELONGING TO A LIMITED CIRCLE OF INVESTORS (CERCLE RESTREINT D'INVESTISSEURS) MAY BE MADE ONLY AS PROVIDED BY ARTICLES L. 412-1 AND L. 621-8 OF THE FRENCH CODE MONÉTAIRE ET FINANCIER AND APPLICABLE REGULATIONS THEREUNDER.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF GERMANY**

THE SECURITIES MAY ONLY BE ACQUIRED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GERMAN WERTPAPIERPROSPEKTGESETZ (SECURITIES PROSPECTUS ACT) AND THE INVESTMENTGESETZ (INVESTMENT ACT). THE SECURITIES ARE NOT REGISTERED OR AUTHORIZED FOR DISTRIBUTION UNDER THE INVESTMENT ACT AND MAY NOT BE, AND ARE NOT BEING OFFERED OR ADVERTISED PUBLICLY OR OFFERED SIMILARLY UNDER THE INVESTMENT ACT OR THE SECURITIES PROSPECTUS ACT. THEREFORE, THIS OFFER IS ONLY BEING MADE TO RECIPIENTS TO WHOM THIS DOCUMENT IS PERSONALLY ADDRESSED AND DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER OR ADVERTISEMENT TO THE PUBLIC. THE SECURITIES CAN ONLY BE ACQUIRED FOR A MINIMUM PURCHASE PRICE OF AT LEAST € 50,000 (EXCLUDING COMMISSIONS AND OTHER FEES) PER PERSON. ALL PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS ARE URGED TO SEEK INDEPENDENT TAX ADVICE. NONE OF THE CO-ISSUERS, THE TRUSTEE, THE SERVICER, THE INITIAL PURCHASER OR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES GIVES ANY TAX ADVICE.



**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF GREECE**

THIS DOCUMENT AND THE SECURITIES TO WHICH IT RELATES AND ANY OTHER MATERIAL RELATED THERETO MAY NOT BE ADVERTISED, DISTRIBUTED OR OTHERWISE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC IN GREECE. THE GREEK CAPITAL MARKET COMMITTEE HAS NOT AUTHORISED ANY PUBLIC OFFERING OF THE SUBSCRIPTION OF THE SECURITIES. ACCORDINGLY, SECURITIES MAY NOT BE ADVERTISED, DISTRIBUTED OR IN ANY WAY OFFERED OR SOLD IN GREECE OR TO RESIDENTS THEREOF EXCEPT AS PERMITTED BY GREEK LAW.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE HONG KONG SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE REGION**

(A) THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED OR SOLD AND WILL NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD IN HONG KONG, BY MEANS OF ANY DOCUMENT, OTHER THAN (I) TO PERSONS WHOSE ORDINARY BUSINESS IT IS TO BUY OR SELL SHARES OR DEBENTURES (WHETHER AS PRINCIPAL OR AGENT); (II) TO "PROFESSIONAL INVESTORS" AS DEFINED IN THE SECURITIES AND FUTURES ORDINANCE (CAP. 571) OF HONG KONG AND ANY RULES MADE UNDER THAT ORDINANCE; OR (III) IN OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH DO NOT RESULT IN THE DOCUMENT BEING A "PROSPECTUS" AS DEFINED IN THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE (CAP. 32) OF HONG KONG OR WHICH DO NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO THE PUBLIC WITHIN THE MEANING OF THAT ORDINANCE; AND (B) NO ADVERTISEMENT, INVITATION OR DOCUMENT RELATING TO THE SECURITIES HAS BEEN ISSUED OR POSSESSED FOR THE PURPOSES OF ISSUE OR WILL BE ISSUED OR POSSESSED FOR THE PURPOSES OF ISSUE, WHETHER IN HONG KONG OR ELSEWHERE, WHICH IS DIRECTED AT, OR THE CONTENTS OF WHICH ARE LIKELY TO BE ACCESSED OR READ BY, THE PUBLIC OF HONG KONG (EXCEPT IF PERMITTED UNDER THE SECURITIES LAWS OF HONG KONG) OTHER THAN ANY ADVERTISEMENT, INVITATION OR DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO SECURITIES WHICH ARE OR ARE INTENDED TO BE DISPOSED OF ONLY TO PERSONS OUTSIDE HONG KONG OR ONLY TO "PROFESSIONAL INVESTORS" AS DEFINED IN THE SECURITIES AND FUTURES ORDINANCE AND ANY RULES MADE UNDER THAT ORDINANCE.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF INDONESIA**

THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED AND/OR ONSOLD DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY WITHIN THE TERRITORY OF INDONESIA OR TO INDONESIAN CITIZENS OR RESIDENTS IN A MANNER WHICH CONSTITUTES A PUBLIC OFFER UNDER THE LAWS AND REGULATIONS OF INDONESIA.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF ISRAEL**

THIS DOCUMENT WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO ISRAELI RESIDENTS ONLY IN A MANNER THAT WILL NOT CONSTITUTE AN "OFFER TO THE PUBLIC" IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTIONS 15 AND 15A OF THE SECURITIES LAW 1968. SPECIFICALLY, THIS DOCUMENT MAY ONLY BE DISTRIBUTED TO INVESTORS OF THE TYPES LISTED IN THE FIRST ADDENDUM OF THE SECURITIES LAW 1968 AND IN ADDITION TO NOT MORE THAN 35 OTHER INVESTORS RESIDENT IN ISRAEL DURING ANY GIVEN 12 MONTH PERIOD.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF ITALY**

THIS DOCUMENT MAY NOT BE DISTRIBUTED TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC IN ITALY. THE ITALIAN COMMISSIONE NAZIONALE PER LA SOCIETA E LA BORSA HAS NOT AUTHORIZED ANY OFFERING OF THE SUBSCRIPTION OF THE SECURITIES; ACCORDINGLY, THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD IN ITALY OR TO RESIDENTS THEREOF EXCEPT AS PERMITTED BY ITALIAN LAW.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF JAPAN**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE LAW OF JAPAN (THE "SEL"), AND THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN JAPAN OR TO, OR FOR THE BENEFIT OF, ANY RESIDENT OF JAPAN (INCLUDING JAPANESE CORPORATIONS) OR TO OTHERS FOR RE-OFFERING OR RESALE, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN JAPAN OR TO ANY RESIDENT OF JAPAN, EXCEPT THAT THE OFFER AND SALE OF THE SECURITIES IN JAPAN MAY BE MADE ONLY THROUGH PRIVATE PLACEMENT SALE IN JAPAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN EXEMPTION AVAILABLE UNDER THE SEL AND WITH ALL OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS OF JAPAN. IN THIS CLAUSE, "A

RESIDENT/RESIDENTS OF JAPAN” SHALL HAVE THE MEANING AS DEFINED UNDER THE FOREIGN EXCHANGE AND FOREIGN TRADE LAW OF JAPAN.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF KOREA**

THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN KOREA OR TO ANY KOREAN RESIDENT, EXCEPT AS PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE KOREAN LAW. WITHOUT AFFECTING THE GENERALITY OF THE FOREGOING, THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN OR WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE LAW OF KOREA (“SEL”), THUS ANY OFFER OF, OR INVITATION FOR OFFER OF, THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE MADE TO ANY RESIDENT OF KOREA OTHER THAN INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE SEL. ANY SECURITY PURCHASED BY ANY KOREAN RESIDENT THROUGH THE OFFERING MAY NOT BE TRANSFERRED TO ANY KOREAN RESIDENT IN PART DURING THE ONE YEAR PERIOD FROM THE ISSUE DATE OF THE SECURITIES.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF NEW ZEALAND**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD TO ANY PERSONS IN NEW ZEALAND WHOSE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS IS NOT THE INVESTMENT OF MONEY OR WHO, IN THE COURSE OF AND FOR THE PURPOSES OF THEIR BUSINESS, DO NOT HABITUALLY INVEST MONEY, IN EACH CASE WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(2)(A)(III) OF THE SECURITIES ACT 1978.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF OMAN**

THE SECURITIES CANNOT BE OFFERED, MARKETED OR SOLD IN THE SULTANATE OF OMAN, WITHOUT THE APPROVAL OF THE CAPITAL MARKET AUTHORITY, AND SUBJECT TO ANY CONDITIONS OR RESTRICTIONS THAT MAY BE IMPOSED BY THAT BODY, AND IF OFFERED, MARKETED OR SOLD THROUGH A BANK LICENSED TO DO INVESTMENT BANKING BUSINESS IN OMAN, THEN WITHOUT THE APPROVAL OF THE CENTRAL BANK OF OMAN AND THE CAPITAL MARKET AUTHORITY, AND SUBJECT TO ANY CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS THAT MAY BE IMPOSED BY THOSE BODIES.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC OF CHINA**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES LAW OF THE PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC OF CHINA (AS THE SAME MAY BE AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME) AND ARE NOT TO BE OFFERED OR SOLD TO PERSONS WITHIN THE PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC OF CHINA (EXCLUDING THE HONG KONG AND MACAU SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE REGIONS) UNLESS PERMITTED BY THE LAWS OF THE PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE PHILIPPINES**

THE SECURITIES BEING OFFERED OR SOLD HEREIN HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED WITH THE PHILIPPINE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (SEC) UNDER THE SECURITIES REGULATION CODE (SRC) AND ARE BEING OFFERED AND SOLD PURSUANT TO SECTION 10.1(I) OF THE SRC. NO WRITTEN CONFIRMATION OF EXEMPTION HAS BEEN OBTAINED FROM THE SEC WITH RESPECT TO THIS MATTER. ANY FUTURE OFFER OR SALE OF THE SECURITIES IS SUBJECT TO REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE SRC UNLESS SUCH OFFER OR SALE QUALIFIES AS AN EXEMPT TRANSACTION.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF QATAR**

NEITHER THE ISSUER NOR THE CO-ISSUER IS AN INVESTMENT COMPANY AUTHORISED TO CONDUCT INVESTMENT BUSINESSES IN THE STATE OF QATAR AS REQUIRED BY QATAR CENTRAL BANK RESOLUTION NO. (15) “SUPERVISION RULES AND EXECUTIVE INSTRUCTIONS FOR INVESTMENT COMPANIES.” ACCORDINGLY, EACH OF THE ISSUER AND THE CO-ISSUER WARRANTS AND REPRESENTS THAT IT HAS NOT MADE AND WILL NOT MAKE ANY INVITATIONS TO THE PUBLIC IN THE STATE OF QATAR, AND NEITHER THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM NOR ANY OTHER OFFERING MATERIAL RELATING TO THE SECURITIES WILL BE ISSUED OR MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC GENERALLY.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA**

THE OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES HAS NOT BEEN APPROVED BY THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE, THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE OR THE SAUDI ARABIAN MONETARY AGENCY. ACCORDINGLY, THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED IN THE KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA. FURTHER, EACH OF THE CO-ISSUERS, THE SERVICER AND THE INITIAL PURCHASER REPRESENTS AND WARRANTS THAT IT HAS NOT MADE AND WILL NOT MAKE ANY INVITATION TO THE PUBLIC OF THE KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA TO SUBSCRIBE FOR THE SECURITIES AND THAT THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM WILL NOT BE ISSUED, PASSED TO, OR MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC GENERALLY IN THE KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF SINGAPORE**

THIS DOCUMENT HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED AS A PROSPECTUS WITH THE MONETARY AUTHORITY OF SINGAPORE. ACCORDINGLY, THIS DOCUMENT AND ANY OTHER DOCUMENT OR MATERIAL IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFER OR SALE, OR INVITATION FOR SUBSCRIPTION OR PURCHASE, OF THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE CIRCULATED OR DISTRIBUTED, NOR MAY THE SECURITIES BE OFFERED OR SOLD, OR BE MADE THE SUBJECT OF AN INVITATION FOR SUBSCRIPTION OR PURCHASE, WHETHER DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, TO PERSONS IN SINGAPORE OTHER THAN (I) TO AN INSTITUTIONAL INVESTOR UNDER SECTION 274 OF THE SECURITIES AND FUTURES ACT, CHAPTER 289 OF SINGAPORE (THE "SFA"), (II) TO A RELEVANT PERSON, OR ANY PERSON PURSUANT TO SECTION 275(1A), AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONDITIONS, SPECIFIED IN SECTION 275 OF THE SFA OR (III) OTHERWISE PURSUANT TO, AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONDITIONS OF, ANY OTHER APPLICABLE PROVISION OF THE SFA.

WHERE THE SECURITIES ARE SUBSCRIBED OR PURCHASED UNDER SECTION 275 BY A RELEVANT PERSON WHICH IS:

(A) A CORPORATION (WHICH IS NOT AN ACCREDITED INVESTOR) THE SOLE BUSINESS OF WHICH IS TO HOLD INVESTMENTS AND THE ENTIRE SHARE CAPITAL OF WHICH IS OWNED BY ONE OR MORE INDIVIDUALS, EACH OF WHOM IS AN ACCREDITED INVESTOR; OR

(B) A TRUST (WHERE THE TRUSTEE IS NOT AN ACCREDITED INVESTOR) WHOSE SOLE PURPOSE IS TO HOLD INVESTMENTS AND EACH BENEFICIARY IS AN ACCREDITED INVESTOR, SHARES,

THEN THE DEBENTURES AND UNITS OF SHARES AND DEBENTURES OF THAT CORPORATION OR THE BENEFICIARIES' RIGHTS AND INTEREST IN THAT TRUST SHALL NOT BE TRANSFERABLE FOR 6 MONTHS AFTER THAT CORPORATION OR THAT TRUST HAS ACQUIRED THE SECURITIES UNDER SECTION 275 EXCEPT:

- (1) TO AN INSTITUTIONAL INVESTOR UNDER SECTION 274 OF THE SFA OR TO A RELEVANT PERSON, OR ANY PERSON PURSUANT TO SECTION 275(1A), AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONDITIONS, SPECIFIED IN SECTION 275 OF THE SFA;
- (2) WHERE NO CONSIDERATION IS GIVEN FOR THE TRANSFER; OR
- (3) BY OPERATION OF LAW.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF SPAIN**

NEITHER THE SECURITIES NOR THIS DOCUMENT HAVE BEEN APPROVED OR REGISTERED IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE REGISTRIES OF THE SPANISH SECURITIES MARKETS COMMISSION (COMISIÓN NACIONAL DEL MERCADO DE VALORES). ACCORDINGLY, THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED IN SPAIN EXCEPT IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH DO NOT CONSTITUTE A PUBLIC OFFER OF SECURITIES IN SPAIN WITHIN THE MEANING OF ARTICLE 30BIS OF THE SPANISH SECURITIES MARKET LAW OF 28 JULY 1988 (LEY 24/1988, DE 28 DE JULIO, DEL MERCADO DE VALORES), AS AMENDED AND RESTATED, AND SUPPLEMENTAL RULES ENACTED THEREUNDER.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF SWITZERLAND**

THIS DOCUMENT HAS BEEN PREPARED FOR PRIVATE INFORMATION PURPOSES OF INTERESTED INVESTORS ONLY. IT MAY NOT BE USED FOR AND SHALL NOT BE DEEMED A PUBLIC OFFERING

OF THE SECURITIES. NO APPLICATION HAS BEEN MADE UNDER SWISS LAW TO PUBLICLY MARKET THE SECURITIES IN OR OUT OF SWITZERLAND. THEREFORE, NO PUBLIC OFFER OF THE SECURITIES OR PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION OF THIS DOCUMENT MAY BE MADE IN OR OUT OF SWITZERLAND. THIS DOCUMENT IS STRICTLY FOR PRIVATE USE BY ITS HOLDER AND MAY NOT BE PASSED ON TO THIRD PARTIES.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF TAIWAN**

THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE SOLD, ISSUED OR PUBLICLY OFFERED IN TAIWAN AND MAY ONLY BE MADE AVAILABLE TO TAIWAN INVESTORS ON A PRIVATE PLACEMENT BASIS OUTSIDE TAIWAN. NO PERSON OR ENTITY IN TAIWAN HAS BEEN AUTHORISED TO OFFER, SELL, GIVE ADVICE REGARDING OR OTHERWISE INTERMEDIATE THE OFFERING AND SALE OF THE SECURITIES.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THAILAND**

THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD IN THAILAND OTHER THAN TO PERSONS WHO CONSTITUTE COMMERCIAL BANKS WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE COMMERCIAL BANKING ACT OF THAILAND 1962 AND ACCORDINGLY NO TRANSFER OF ANY SECURITIES TO PERSONS WHO ARE NOT COMMERCIAL BANKS WILL BE REGISTERED, RECORDED OR OTHERWISE RECOGNISED BY THE ISSUER, THE CO-ISSUER OR REGISTRAR.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF TURKEY**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN, AND WILL NOT BE, REGISTERED WITH THE SERMAYE PIYASASI KURULU (CAPITAL MARKETS BOARD) UNDER THE CAPITAL MARKETS LAW NO. 2499, AS AMENDED, AND RELATED COMMUNIQUE OF THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY. THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR DISTRIBUTED IN A MANNER THAT WOULD CONSTITUTE A PUBLIC OR PRIVATE OFFERING IN TURKEY, AND NEITHER THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM NOR ANY OTHER OFFERING MATERIAL RELATING TO THE SECURITIES MAY BE DISTRIBUTED IN CONNECTION WITH ANY SUCH OFFERING OR DISTRIBUTION. THE SECURITIES MAY BE ACQUIRED BY RESIDENTS OF TURKEY ONLY PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 15 OF DECREE NO. 32 ON THE PROTECTION OF THE VALUE OF THE TURKISH CURRENCY.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF UNITED ARAB EMIRATES**

THE OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES HAS NOT BEEN APPROVED BY THE UAE CENTRAL BANK AND ACCORDINGLY THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED IN THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES. EACH OF THE CO-ISSUERS, THE SERVICER AND THE INITIAL PURCHASER REPRESENTS AND WARRANTS THAT THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD, TRANSFERRED OR DELIVERED TO THE PUBLIC IN THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES. FURTHER, THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS ADDRESSED ONLY TO THE RECIPIENT PARTY AND MAY NOT BE TRANSFERRED THEREAFTER.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM**

THIS DOCUMENT IS ONLY BEING DISTRIBUTED TO AND IS ONLY DIRECTED AT (I) PERSONS WHO ARE OUTSIDE THE UNITED KINGDOM, (II) TO INVESTMENT PROFESSIONALS FALLING WITHIN ARTICLE 19(5) OF THE FINANCIAL SERVICES AND MARKETS ACT OF 2000 ("FSMA") (FINANCIAL PROMOTION) ORDER 2005 (THE "ORDER") OR (III) HIGH NET WORTH ENTITIES, AND OTHER PERSONS TO WHOM IT MAY LAWFULLY BE COMMUNICATED, FALLING WITHIN ARTICLE 49(2) (A) TO (D) OF THE ORDER (ALL SUCH PERSONS TOGETHER BEING REFERRED TO AS "RELEVANT PERSONS"). THE SECURITIES ARE ONLY AVAILABLE AND ANY INVITATION, OFFER, INDUCEMENT OR AGREEMENT TO SUBSCRIBE, PURCHASE OR OTHERWISE ACQUIRE SUCH SECURITIES WILL BE ENGAGED IN ONLY WITH, RELEVANT PERSONS. ANY PERSON WHO IS NOT A RELEVANT PERSON SHOULD NOT ACT OR RELY ON THIS DOCUMENT OR ANY OF ITS CONTENTS.

#### **STABILISATION**

IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUE OF THE SECURITIES, THE INITIAL PURCHASER (OR PERSONS ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE INITIAL PURCHASER) MAY OVER-ALLOT SECURITIES PROVIDED THAT THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OR FACE AMOUNT OF SECURITIES ALLOTTED DOES NOT EXCEED 105 PER CENT OF THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OR FACE AMOUNT OF THE

SECURITIES OR EFFECT TRANSACTIONS WITH A VIEW TO SUPPORTING THE MARKET PRICE OF THE SECURITIES AT A LEVEL HIGHER THAN THAT MIGHT OTHERWISE PREVAIL. HOWEVER, THERE IS NO ASSURANCE THAT THE INITIAL PURCHASER (OR PERSONS ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE INITIAL PURCHASER) WILL UNDERTAKE STABILISATION ACTION. ANY STABILISATION ACTION MAY BEGIN ON OR AFTER THE DATE ON WHICH ADEQUATE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF THE FINAL TERMS OF THE OFFER OF THE SECURITIES IS MADE AND, IF BEGUN, MAY BE ENDED AT ANY TIME, BUT IT MUST END NO LATER THAN 30 DAYS AFTER THE CLOSING DATE.

### AVAILABLE INFORMATION

To permit compliance with Rule 144A under the Securities Act (“**Rule 144A**”) in connection with the sale of the Securities, the Issuer (and, solely in the case of the Notes, the Co-Issuers) under the Indenture referred to under “Description of the Securities” and the Preference Share Documents will be required to furnish upon request of a holder of a Security to such holder and a prospective purchaser designated by such holder the information required to be delivered under Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act if at the time of the request the Co-Issuers are not reporting companies under Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “**Exchange Act**”), or exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act. Such information may be obtained directly from the Issuer or through the paying agent in Ireland at the address set forth on the final page of this Offering Memorandum.

### INFORMATION AS TO SALE WITHIN THE UNITED STATES

This Offering Memorandum is highly confidential and has been prepared by the Issuer solely for use in connection with this offering. This Offering Memorandum is personal to each offeree to whom it has been delivered by the Co-Issuers, the Initial Purchaser or Affiliates thereof and does not constitute an offer to any other person or to the public generally to subscribe for or otherwise acquire the Securities. Distribution of this Offering Memorandum to any persons other than the offeree and those persons, if any, retained to advise such offeree with respect thereto is unauthorized and any disclosure of any of its contents, without the prior written consent of the Issuer, is prohibited. Each prospective purchaser in the United States, by accepting delivery of this Offering Memorandum, agrees to the foregoing and to make no copies of this Offering Memorandum or any documents related hereto and, if the offeree does not purchase Securities or the offering is terminated, to return this Offering Memorandum and all documents attached hereto to the Initial Purchaser at 11 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10010, Attention: CDO Group.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, each prospective purchaser of the Securities (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) are hereby permitted to disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions described herein. For this purpose, the tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction, and the tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction.

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**SUMMARY OF TERMS**

The following summary of terms does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by, and should be read in conjunction with, the more detailed information appearing elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum and the documents referred to in this Offering Memorandum. A Glossary and an Index of Defined Terms appear at the back of this Offering Memorandum.

**Principal Terms of the Securities**

	<b>Class A-1a Notes</b>	<b>Class A-1b Notes</b>	<b>Class A-2 Notes</b>	<b>Class B Notes</b>	<b>Class C Notes</b>	<b>Class D Notes</b>	<b>Class I Preference Shares</b>	<b>Class II Preference Shares</b>
<b>Type</b>	Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Extendable	Extendable
<b>Issuer(s)</b>	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Issuer	Issuer	Issuer
<b>Principal Amount / Face Amount (U.S.\$)</b>	\$1,015,000,000	\$111,500,000	\$68,000,000	\$72,000,000	\$75,000,000	\$31,000,000	\$52,500,000 <sup>1</sup>	\$75,000,000 <sup>1</sup>
<b>Expected Moody's Initial Rating</b>	"Aaa"	"Aa1"	"Aa2"	"A2"	"Baa2"	"Ba2"	N/A	N/A
<b>Expected S&amp;P Initial Rating</b>	"AAA"	"AAA"	"AA"	"A"	"BBB"	"BB"	N/A	N/A
<b>Note Interest Rate</b>	LIBOR + 0.245%	LIBOR + 0.36%	LIBOR + 0.41%	LIBOR + 0.70%	LIBOR + 1.55%	LIBOR + 3.60%	N/A	N/A
<b>Stated Maturity / Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date<sup>2</sup></b>	November 1, 2021	November 1, 2021	November 1, 2021	November 1, 2021	November 1, 2021	November 1, 2021	November 1, 2021	November 1, 2021
<b>Minimum Denominations (U.S.\$) / Number (Integral Multiples)</b>	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	N/A	N/A
<b>Priority Class</b>	None	Class A-1a	Class A-1	Class A	Class A, Class B	Class A, Class B, Class C	Class A, Class B, Class C, Class D	Class A, Class B, Class C, Class D
<b>Junior Class</b>	Class A-1b, Class A-2, Class B, Class C, Class D, Preference Shares	Class A-2, Class B, Class C, Class D, Preference Shares	Class B, Class C, Class D, Preference Shares	Class C, Class D, Preference Shares	Class D, Preference Shares	Preference Shares	None	None
<b>Deferred Interest Notes</b>	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A

<sup>1</sup> The Preference Shares will be issued with a Face Amount of U.S.\$1,000 per share.

<sup>2</sup> The Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares are subject to multiple extensions to the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (in the case of the Notes) and the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (in the case of the Preference Shares), if the Issuer provides timely notice and the Extension Conditions are satisfied. See "Risk Factors—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary," "A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected," "Maturity and Prepayment Considerations" and "Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date."

The Senior Notes will be non-recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuers. The Class D Notes will be non-recourse debt obligations of the Issuer. The Notes will be issued pursuant to the Indenture.

The Preference Shares will be part of the issued share capital of the Issuer and, accordingly, will not be secured obligations of the Issuer. Investors Bank & Trust Company will act as the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the Preference Shares and will perform various administrative services pursuant to a Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date (the “**Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement**”) by and between the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

The Preference Shares will be issued in two classes, which will be identical in respect of rights to distributions except that the Class II Preference Shares (i) are entitled to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments during the first two years following the Closing Date (after the two-year anniversary of the Closing Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Issuer as Class II Preference Share Special Payments) and (ii) have total control with respect to the appointment and removal of the directors of the Issuer as long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is higher than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date. See “Description of the Securities—The Issuer Charter—Voting Rights.”

Payments to each Holder of the Notes of each Class shall be made ratably among the Holders of the Notes of that Class in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes of such Class held by each Holder. Payments to each Holder of the Preference Shares shall be made ratably among the Holders of the Preference Shares in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Preference Shares held by each Holder (*provided* that the Class II Preference Share Special Payments shall be paid solely to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class II Preference Shares held by each Holder).

Except as provided under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments,” the Class A-1a Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares; the Class A-1b Notes will be senior in right of interest and

principal payments to the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares; the Class A-2 Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares; the Class B Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares; the Class C Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares; the Class D Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Preference Shares; and the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares will rank *pari passu* in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date except that any payments to the Holders of Class II Preference Shares of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments will have priority to the extent provided under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

The Securities and certain other obligations of the Co-Issuers will have the priorities of payment described under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

**Co-Issuers .....** The Issuer has been incorporated and exists as an exempted limited liability company under the laws of the Cayman Islands. The Issuer’s activities are limited to acquiring Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, entering into any Hedge Agreements, issuing the Securities and entering into certain related transactions. The Issuer has been established as a special purpose vehicle for the purpose of issuing asset backed securities.

The Co-Issuer is organized as a corporation under the laws of the State of Delaware for the sole purpose of co-issuing the Senior Notes. The Co-Issuer has been established as a special purpose vehicle for the purpose of issuing asset backed securities.

The Issuer will not have any significant assets other than Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, any Hedge Agreements and certain other eligible assets. The Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, the rights of the Issuer under any Hedge Agreements and other collateral will be pledged to the Trustee as security for, among other things, the Issuer’s obligations under the Notes.

The Co-Issuer is not expected to have any significant assets and will not pledge any assets to secure the Senior Notes.

**Investors Corp. ....** On the Closing Date, Grayson Investors Corp. (“**Investors Corp.**”), an exempted limited liability corporation incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands, is expected to purchase all

of the Class I Preference Shares and to finance such purchase by issuing preference shares (the “**Holding Preference Shares**”) in a number equal to the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares purchased by it. The Holding Preference Shares will be offered by Investors Corp. to investors pursuant to a separate offering memorandum (the “**Investors Corp. Offering Memorandum**”) and are not offered hereby.

Investors Corp. will exercise its consent and voting rights, in its capacity as a Holder of the Class I Preference Shares, in accordance with the directions of the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares; *provided* that Holding Preference Shares held by the Servicer or any of its Affiliates will have no such right to direct Investors Corp. in connection with the removal of the Servicer for “cause” or the appointment of a replacement servicer. For purposes of calculating such consents or votes exercised with respect to the Class I Preference Shares held by Investors Corp., each consent or vote exercised with respect to a Holding Preference Share will count as one consent or vote exercised with respect to a Class I Preference Share held by Investors Corp., as applicable.

**Trustee** ..... Investors Bank & Trust Company will act as the Trustee under the Indenture on behalf of the Holders of the Notes.

**Servicer** ..... Certain servicing and administrative functions with respect to the Collateral will be performed by Highland Capital Management, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership (“**Highland Capital**” or, in such capacity, the “**Servicer**”), pursuant to the Servicing Agreement, which may be amended from time to time without the consent of the Holders of the Securities. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Servicing Agreement” and “The Servicing Agreement.”

On the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S. \$75,000,000 directly from the Issuer at a discounted purchase price and (ii) Highland Capital or one or more of its Affiliates (other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries) are expected to purchase certain of the Class D Notes having an aggregate principal amount equal to U.S.\$16,000,000 directly from the Issuer at a discounted purchase price and are expected to purchase certain of the Holding Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$20,000,000 directly from Investors Corp., at a discounted purchase price. See “Plan of Distribution.”

The Share Registrar will record in the register maintained by it which Preference Shares are held by HFP or any of its subsidiaries. Such Preference Shares will be designated by the Share Registrar as Class II Preference Shares. HFP and/or its

subsidiaries that purchase Class II Preference Shares will agree not to transfer any of the Class II Preference Shares to any Person other than Investors Corp. Any transfer of Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to Investors Corp. will require redesignation by the Share Registrar of such Class II Preference Shares as Class I Preference Shares. Investors Corp. will finance the purchase of any Class II Preference Shares to be redesignated in connection with such transfer by issuing additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such Class II Preference Shares. Any transfer of Class I Preference Shares to HFP or any of its subsidiaries from Investors Corp. will require redesignation by the Share Registrar of such Class I Preference Shares as Class II Preference Shares.

The Servicer or its Affiliates may also acquire Securities upon the occurrence of the Amendment Buy-Out Option or in connection with a Refinancing. In addition, the Servicer or its Affiliates may acquire all or any portion of any Extension Sale Securities in connection with a Maturity Extension. See “The Servicer,” “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities,” “—Relating to the Servicer” and “—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer,” “Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out,” “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Redemption by Refinancing,” “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date” and “The Servicing Agreement.”

**Closing Date**..... November 30, 2006.

**Use of Proceeds**..... The gross proceeds of the offering of the Securities received on the Closing Date are expected to equal approximately \$1,495,000,000 and will be used by the Issuer to:

- purchase a portfolio of Collateral Obligations;
- fund a trust account for Revolving Loans (the “**Revolving Reserve Account**”) and a trust account for Delayed Drawdown Loans (the “**Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account**”) to cover any future draws on Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans;
- enter into any Hedge Agreements, as applicable;
- enter into any Securities Lending Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the Securities Lending Account);
- enter into any Synthetic Security Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the related accounts);

- repurchase participations sold to the Pre-Closing Parties to finance the Issuer's pre-closing acquisition of Collateral Obligations;
- fund the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account;
- pay certain expenses related to the transaction; and
- undertake certain related activities.

See "Use of Proceeds."

**Payment Dates .....** Payment of interest on, and principal of, the Notes will be made by the Issuer in U.S. Dollars on the first day of each February, May, August and November of each year (or if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day), commencing May 1, 2007, to the extent of available cash flow in respect of the Collateral in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

**Hedge Agreements .....** At any time and from time to time on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall enter into the Hedge Agreements and will assign its rights (but none of its obligations) under the Hedge Agreements to the Trustee. See "Hedge Agreements."

**Interest Payments and  
Distributions from Interest**

**Proceeds .....** The Notes will accrue interest from the Closing Date. Interest on the Notes will be payable, to the extent of funds available therefor, on each Payment Date.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of interest due on such Class of Deferred Interest Notes that is not available to be paid ("**Deferred Interest**") in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered "payable" for the purposes of the Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for such Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest), until paid. See "Description of the Securities—Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the

Preference Shares from Interest Proceeds,” “—Priority of Payments” and “—The Indenture—Events of Default.”

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Interest Proceeds as described under clauses (22) and (24) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds”; *provided* that, in lieu of payment of such Interest Proceeds, in whole or in part, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, will have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute on any Payment Date Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be distributed on the relevant Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be increased accordingly. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” and “—Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement—Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities.”

In addition, on each Payment Date during the first two years following the Closing Date, Holders of the Class II Preference Shares are entitled to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments. After the two-year anniversary of the Closing Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be distributed by the Issuer to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. Any Class II Preference Share Special Payment will be paid by the Issuer in accordance with the Priority of Payments described under clauses (3), (20) and (23) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

**Principal Payments and  
Distributions from Principal  
Proceeds .....**

The Notes will mature at par on the Payment Date in November, 2021 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable

Extended Stated Maturity Date (the “**Stated Maturity**”) and the Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed at the Redemption Price thereof by the Issuer on the Payment Date in November, 2021 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (the “**Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**”), in each case unless redeemed or (in the case of the Notes) repaid in full prior thereto. The average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years from issuance until Stated Maturity for such Notes. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary,” “—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected” and “Maturity and Prepayment Considerations.”

In general, principal payments will not be made on the Notes before the end of the Replacement Period, except in the following circumstances:

- in connection with an Optional Redemption;
- at the option of the Servicer, to effect a Special Redemption of the Notes;
- in connection with a Refinancing;
- pursuant to a redemption made in connection with a Tax Event; or
- following a mandatory redemption of the Notes caused by a failure to meet any of the Coverage Tests or a Rating Confirmation Failure.

See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments,” “—Optional Redemption,” “—Special Redemption of the Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture,” “Optional Redemption—Redemption by Refinancing,” “—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes” and “Security for the Notes—Ramp-Up.”

No payments of principal will be made on the Class A-1b Notes until the principal of the Class A-1a Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class A-2 Notes until the principal of the Class A-1b Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class B Notes until the principal of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes and the Class A-2 Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class C Notes until the principal of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes has been paid in full. No payments of



principal will be made on the Class D Notes until the principal of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes has been paid in full (other than with respect to the use of Interest Proceeds to pay principal of the Class D Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class D Coverage Tests). However, Principal Proceeds may be used to pay Deferred Interest and other amounts before the payment of principal of the Notes. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

No principal of any Class of Notes will be payable on any Payment Date other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and to the extent funds are available therefor on that Payment Date for that purpose, except that the principal of each Class of Notes will be payable in full at the Stated Maturity, unless repaid before that.

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares (including, with respect to the Class II Preference Shares, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Principal Proceeds as described under clauses (11)(A), (14) and (15) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

For a description of the relative priority of payments and level of subordination of the Securities and certain fees, expenses and other liabilities of the Co-Issuers, see “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

**Extension of the Replacement  
Period, the Stated Maturity and  
the Scheduled Preference Shares  
Redemption Date.....**

The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Replacement Period to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date up to a maximum of four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. For purposes of the foregoing, “**Extension Effective Date**” means if an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extension Effective Date (or, in the case of the first Extension Effective Date, the Payment Date in August 2011) and “**Extended Replacement Period End Date**” means, if an Extension has

occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Replacement Period End Date (or, in the case of the first Extension, the Payment Date in November, 2017); *provided* that the “Extended Replacement Period End Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November 2029.

If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date shall automatically be extended to the Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Securities or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents (the “**Maturity Extension**”); *provided* that the Issuer will not be permitted to effect more than four Maturity Extensions. For purposes of the foregoing, “**Extended Stated Maturity Date**” means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Stated Maturity Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Payment Date in November 2025), “**Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**” means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, November 1, 2025) and “**Extended Weighted Average Life Date**” means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Weighted Average Life Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Weighted Average Life Date, May 1, 2021); *provided* that the “Extended Stated Maturity Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November 2037, the “Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November 2037 and the “Extended Weighted Average Life Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in May, 2033.

As a condition to a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes or Preference Shares will have the right to offer to sell their Notes or Preference Shares to one or more Extension Qualifying Purchasers for purchase on the applicable Extension Effective Date.

If all Extension Conditions are satisfied and a Maturity Extension is effected, each Noteholder, other than Holders of Extension Sale Securities, will be entitled to receive the applicable Extension Bonus Payment, to the extent of available funds and as provided in the Priority of Payments. Holders of Preference Shares will not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary,” “—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected,” “Maturity and Prepayment Considerations,” and “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date.”

**Security for the Notes .....** The Notes will be secured by a portfolio having an Aggregate Principal Balance following the Ramp-Up Period of approximately U.S.\$1,471,900,000 (in principal amount) and consisting primarily of Collateral Obligations and certain other debt securities, in each case having the characteristics set forth herein. The Notes will also be secured by funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, the Issuer’s rights under any Hedge Agreements, any Securities Lending Agreements, the Servicing Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement. See “Security for the Notes.”

The Preference Shares are unsecured equity interests in the Issuer.

**Collateral Ramp-Up Period .....** The Issuer expects that, as of the Closing Date, it will have purchased (or entered into commitments to purchase) Collateral Obligations to be included in the anticipated portfolio such that the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator will be at least U.S.\$1,471,900,000 as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date. The “**Ramp-Up Completion Date**” is the earlier of (i) the Business Day after the 90<sup>th</sup> day after the Closing Date, and (ii) the first day on which the following conditions are satisfied (x) either (A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least U.S.\$1,471,900,000 or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer with proceeds from the sale of the Securities (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be) equals at least U.S.\$1,471,900,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date) and (y) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least U.S.\$1,471,900,000.

In anticipation of the issuance of the Securities, the Issuer, the Servicer and one or more Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser (the “**Pre-Closing Parties**”) are financing the acquisition of Collateral Obligations by the Issuer pursuant to confirmations entered into by or on behalf of the Issuer confirming the Issuer’s commitment to purchase such Loans during the Accumulation

Period. 100% participation in each such Collateral Obligation has been acquired (and will be acquired) by the applicable Pre-Closing Party concurrently with the acquisition of each such Collateral Obligation by the Issuer for a purchase price equal to the purchase price paid by the Issuer for the related Collateral Obligation. On the Closing Date, each eligible Collateral Obligation acquired by the applicable Pre-Closing Party will be repurchased by the Issuer with proceeds of the offering in an amount equal to the purchase price minus any distributions of principal on the obligation received by the applicable Pre-Closing Party. The Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates will be entitled to retain all interest and any fees and commissions (net of any financing fees payable to the Pre-Closing Parties) paid by the obligors of such Collateral Obligations or accrued from the time of purchase to the Closing Date. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Collateral Obligations—A Substantial Amount of Collateral Obligations Was Acquired Before the Closing Date, and the Terms of the Acquisition May Adversely Affect the Issuer.”

See “Security for the Notes—Ramp-Up.”

**Replacement Period; Acquisition  
of Replacement Collateral  
Obligations.....**

During the Replacement Period, the Issuer may generally (and subject to certain requirements) use Principal Proceeds received with respect to the Collateral to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria (which Eligibility Criteria includes requirements that an item of Collateral purchased by the Issuer meet the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and that the portfolio of Collateral Obligations be in compliance with the Concentration Limitations to the extent provided in the Eligibility Criteria). See “—Collateral Obligations,” “—Concentration Limitations” and “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.”

The “**Replacement Period**” will be the period from the Closing Date through and including the first to occur of:

- (i) the Payment Date after the date that the Servicer notifies the Trustee, each Rating Agency and the Administrator, in the sole discretion of the Servicer, that, in light of the composition of the Collateral, general market conditions, and other factors, the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations within the foreseeable future would be impractical;
- (ii) the Payment Date in November 2013 or, in the case of an Extension, the Extended Replacement Period End Date;

- (iii) the Payment Date on which all Notes are to be optionally redeemed or an earlier date after notice of an Optional Redemption chosen by the Servicer to facilitate the liquidation of the Collateral for the Optional Redemption; and
- (iv) the date on which the Replacement Period terminates or is terminated as a result of an Event of Default (subject to the terms of the Indenture).

No acquisition of Collateral Obligations will be made after the termination of the Replacement Period, except that (x) Unscheduled Principal Payments and (y) Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations may be used to purchase Collateral Obligations after the Replacement Period subject to the limitations described under “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria” and “—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations.” After the termination of the Replacement Period, all Principal Proceeds (other than Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations) must be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, no acquisition or disposition of a Collateral Obligation or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) shall be effected by or on behalf of the Issuer for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes.

**Collateral Obligations.....** Any obligation or security (a “**Collateral Obligation**”) that, when the Issuer commits to purchase (or otherwise acquire) the obligation or security, is a Loan, High-Yield Bond, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that is a Loan, a Structured Finance Obligation or High-Yield Bond that is:

- (i) denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars and is not convertible by its obligor into any other currency;
- (ii) an obligation of an obligor Domiciled in an Eligible Country;
- (iii) an obligation that is eligible by its terms to be assigned to the Issuer and pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral;
- (iv) not an exchangeable or convertible security;
- (v) not an equity security or a component of an equity security or a security that has a component that is an

equity security (other than for avoidance of doubt, a pass-through trust certificate in a trust holding Collateral Obligations);

- (vi) not an obligation or security that has been called for redemption and is not an obligation or security that is the subject of an Offer other than a Permitted Offer or an exchange offer in which a security that is not registered under the Securities Act is exchanged for (a) a security that has substantially identical terms (except for transfer restrictions) but is registered under the Securities Act or (b) a security that would otherwise qualify for purchase under the Eligibility Criteria;
- (vii) an obligation that (a) has a Moody's Rating (including any estimated or confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored) and (b) has an S&P Rating (including any confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored), which S&P Rating does not have a "p", "pi", "q", "r" or "t" subscript unless S&P otherwise authorizes in writing;
- (viii) an obligation that is a Finance Lease (if it is a lease) and the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;
- (ix) (a) an obligation that is not a Current-Pay Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation and (b) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that has a Moody's Rating of "Caal" or lower or an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower, an obligation for which the Servicer has certified in writing that such Collateral Obligation is not a Credit Risk Obligation;
- (x) an obligation that (unless it is a High-Yield Bond) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness for borrowed money of the applicable issuer; *provided* that for the avoidance of doubt, this clause shall not prohibit the inclusion as Collateral Obligations of Subordinated Lien Loans or Second Lien Loans;
- (xi) an obligation that (a) (unless it is a PIK Security) bears simple interest payable in cash no less frequently than annually at a fixed or floating rate that is paid on a periodic basis on an unleveraged basis and, in the case of a floating rate, computed on a benchmark interest rate plus or minus a spread, if any (which may vary

under the terms of the obligation) and (b) provides for a fixed amount of principal payable in cash according to a fixed schedule (which may include optional call dates) or at maturity (or a fixed notional amount in the case of Synthetic Securities);

(xii) an obligation the payment or repayment of the principal, if any, of which is not an amount determined by reference to any formula or index or subject to any contingency under the terms thereof;

(xiii) an obligation the portion of which to be acquired (including through a Synthetic Security with respect to the Reference Obligation) does not represent, directly or indirectly, more than a 25% interest in the obligation;

(xiv) not an obligation with a maturity later than two years after the Stated Maturity of the Notes;

(xv) an obligation upon which no payments are subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the obligor thereof or counterparty with respect thereto is required to make "gross-up" payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax on an after-tax basis (other than withholding taxes with respect to commitment fees associated with Collateral Obligations constituting Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans);

(xvi) not a Loan or Synthetic Security that would require the Issuer after its purchase of the Loan or Synthetic Security to advance any funds to the related borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty or permit the borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty to require that any future advances be made except for:

(A) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the Issuer deposits into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, respectively, the maximum amount of any advances that may be required of the Issuer under the related Underlying Instrument (as provided in the Indenture); and

(B) any Synthetic Security if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Synthetic Security, the Issuer posts cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) the Synthetic Security Counterparty

simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of any future advances;

- (xvii) if such obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation, such obligation:
  - (A) has been assigned a rating by both Moody's and S&P;
  - (B) has a Moody's Rating of "Ba3" or higher and an S&P Rating of "BB-" or higher; and
  - (C) has not been placed on the watch list for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P;
- (xviii) not a Loan that is an obligation of a debtor in possession or a trustee for a debtor in an insolvency proceeding other than a DIP Loan;
- (xix) with respect to an obligation that provides for the payment of interest at a floating rate, an obligation for which such floating rate is determined by reference to the U.S. Dollar prime rate or other base rate, London interbank offered rate or similar interbank offered rate, commercial deposit rate or any other index that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto;
- (xx) in the case of a Synthetic Security, the Synthetic Security is one for which the counterparty or issuer, as the case may be, has a short-term debt rating by Moody's of at least "P-1" or long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" and, if rated "A3" by Moody's, such rating is not on watch for downgrade, and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "AA-" or a short term debt rating by S&P of at least "A-1+";
- (xxi) not an obligation that constitutes Margin Stock;
- (xxii) not a Zero-Coupon Security;
- (xxiii) not an obligation that is currently deferring interest or paying interest "in kind" or otherwise has an interest "in kind" balance outstanding at the time of purchase, which interest is otherwise payable in cash, unless the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;
- (xxiv) not a security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer;



- (xxv) not an obligation the interest payments of which are scheduled to decrease (although interest payments may decrease due to unscheduled events such as a decrease if the index relating to a Floating Rate Obligation, the change from a default rate of interest to a non-default rate of interest or an improvement in the obligor's financial condition);
- (xxvi) not an obligation that will cause the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the pool of assets to be required to be registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act; and
- (xxvii) in the case of a Loan, an obligation that is part of, or a Participation in, a syndicated loan facility that provides for a commitment by the lenders, in the aggregate, of no less than \$25,000,000.

Pursuant to the definition of "Synthetic Security," unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event."

See "Security for the Notes—Collateral Obligations" and "—Eligibility Criteria."

**Concentration Limitations** ..... Upon a purchase of a Collateral Obligation, the Eligibility Criteria require that each of the limits set forth below with respect to a particular type of Relevant Obligation (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) as a percentage of the Maximum Amount (the "**Concentration Limitations**") is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced:

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(1) Senior Secured Loans and Eligible Investments	≥87.5%
(2) unsecured Loans	≤ 3.0%
(3) Subordinated Lien Loans and Second Lien Loans	≤ 10.0%
(4) Revolving Loans and the unfunded portion of Delayed Drawdown Loans	≤12.0%
(5) DIP Loans	≤ 5.0%
(a) except that with a Rating Confirmation, DIP Loans may constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 7.5%

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(6) S&P Unrated DIP Loans	≤ 2.5%
(7) PIK Securities	≤ 3.0%
(8) High-Yield Bonds	≤ 7.5%
(9) Structured Finance Obligations	≤ 10.0%
(a) except that Structured Finance Obligations serviced by the Servicer may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 2.5%
(b) except that a single issuer together with any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) of a Structured Finance Obligation may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 3.0%
(10) Structured Finance Obligations that are collateralized loan obligations	≤ 7.5%
(11) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States and Canada	≤ 15.0%
(12) obligors Domiciled in Canada or any single Moody's Group I Country	≤ 10.0%
(13) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group II Country	≤ 5.0%
(14) obligors Domiciled in all Moody's Group II Countries in the aggregate	≤ 10.0%
(15) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group III Country	≤ 2.5%
(16) obligors Domiciled in all Moody's Group III Countries in the aggregate	≤ 5.0%
(17) obligors organized in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction	≤ 5.0%
(18) same S&P Industry Classification	≤ 8.0%
(a) except that Relevant Obligations belonging to two S&P Industry Classifications may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 12.0%
(19) single issuer and any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties)	≤ 1.5%
(a) except that up to each of five individual issuers and any of their Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 2.5%
(20) Fixed Rate Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(21) Pay interest less frequently than quarterly but no less frequently than semi-annually	≤ 7.5%
(22) Pay interest less frequently than semi-annually but no less frequently than annually	≤ 3.0%
(23) Synthetic Securities	≤ 20.0%
(a) except that Synthetic Securities that provide for settlement other than by physical delivery may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 5.0%
(b) except that Synthetic Securities that reference a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 5.0%
(24) Participations ( <i>provided</i> that no Relevant Obligations may be a Participation in a Participation)	≤ 20.0%
(25) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, in the aggregate may not exceed the percentage of the	≤ 20.0%

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
Maximum Amount specified in the right column	
(26) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, a single Secondary Risk Counterparty	≤ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under “Individual Counterparty Limit” for applicable rating*
(27) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, all Secondary Risk Counterparties	≤ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under “Aggregate Counterparty Limit” for applicable rating**
(28) Deep Discount Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(29) CCC+/Caa1 and below Collateral Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(30) Long-Dated Collateral Obligations	≤ 2.0%
(31) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements	≤ 15.0%
(32) Collateral Obligations providing for interest at a non-London interbank offered rate (excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, the unfunded amount of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan)	≤ 5.0%
(33) Collateral Obligations that are Loans that are part of a credit facility with a total global aggregate commitment amount of equal to or greater than \$25,000,000 but less than \$75,000,000	≤ 10.0%
(34) Collateral Obligations that are Loans that are part of a credit facility with a total global aggregate commitment amount of less than \$25,000,000	≤ 0.0%

\* Applicable long-term unsecured rating by Moody’s or S&P of such Secondary Risk Counterparty (using the limit for the lower of such ratings if different).

\*\* Long-term unsecured rating by Moody’s or S&P at or below a level specified in the Secondary Risk Table (using the lower of such ratings for a Secondary Risk Counterparty, if different).

Subject to the rights in certain circumstances of the Servicer to determine otherwise as set out in the Indenture, solely for the purpose of determining whether the Concentration Limitations are met, Eligible Investments and Cash will be treated as Senior Secured Loans and Floating Rate Obligations.

See “Security For the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.”

#### Coverage Tests and the Retention

##### Overcollateralization Test .....

The “Coverage Tests” will consist of the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Tests. In addition, the Retention Overcollateralization Test, which is not a Coverage Test, will apply as described herein. See “Security For the Notes—The Coverage Tests—The

Overcollateralization Tests” and “—The Interest Coverage Tests” for the formulations of these tests, which are highly detailed. The ratios on which they are based are also described under such headings. The tests will be used to determine, among other things, whether (i) Notes will be redeemed in certain circumstances as described under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments” and (ii) in the case of the Coverage Tests, Collateral Obligations may be acquired as described under “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.”

There will not be any Coverage Test applicable to the Preference Shares.

*The Overcollateralization Tests .....* The Overcollateralization Tests will consist of the “**Class A Overcollateralization Test**,” the “**Class B Overcollateralization Test**,” the “**Class C Overcollateralization Test**” and the “**Class D Overcollateralization Test**.” Each Overcollateralization Test will be satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes if, as of any Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the specified required level for the specified Class indicated in the table below:

Test	Required Level
Class A Overcollateralization Test	110.0%
Class B Overcollateralization Test	105.0%
Class C Overcollateralization Test	103.0%
Class D Overcollateralization Test	102.2%

*The Interest Coverage Tests.....* The Interest Coverage Tests will consist of the “**Class A Interest Coverage Test**,” the “**Class B Interest Coverage Test**,” the “**Class C Interest Coverage Test**” and the “**Class D Interest Coverage Test**.” Each Interest Coverage Test will be satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level specified in the table below for the specified Class:

Test	Required Level
Class A Interest Coverage Test	130.0%
Class B Interest Coverage Test	120.0%
Class C Interest Coverage Test	110.0%
Class D Interest Coverage Test	105.0%

*Retention Overcollateralization Test.* A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date during the Replacement Period on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Retention Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 103.2%.

**Collateral Quality Tests**..... The Collateral Quality Tests will be used primarily as criteria for purchasing Collateral Obligations. See “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.” The “**Collateral Quality Tests**” will consist of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Life Test, the Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the S&P CDO Monitor Test, as described below.

*Diversity Test* ..... The Diversity Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date, if the Diversity Score equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score.

*S&P CDO Monitor Test*..... The S&P CDO Monitor Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive.

*Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test* ..... The Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 7.5%.

*Weighted Average Life Test* ..... The Weighted Average Life Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the greater of (a) the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and May 1, 2017 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date and (b) 4.0 years.

*Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test*..... The Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody’s Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 43.63%.

*Weighted Average Rating Factor Test*..... The Weighted Average Rating Factor Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date, if the Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of such Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor.

*Weighted Average S&P Recovery*

*Rate Test.....* The Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 52.28%.

*Weighted Average Spread Test .....* The Weighted Average Spread Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread.

See “Security for the Notes—The Collateral Quality Tests.”

**Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

**for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests .....** If any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the last day of any Due Period (each, a “**Determination Date**”), funds will be used pursuant to the Priority of Payments to redeem the Notes to the extent necessary for such failing Coverage Tests to be satisfied that would otherwise be used:

- (i) to purchase additional Collateral Obligations during the Replacement Period; or
- (ii) to make interest and principal payments on the Notes and to make dividend or redemption payments in respect of the Preference Shares.

See “Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests.”

**Certain Consequences of Failure to Satisfy the Retention**

**Overcollateralization Test .....** If during the Replacement Period, the Retention Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on any Determination Date, certain funds, as described under clause (18) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds,” representing Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be used to make payments on the Preference Shares and pay certain subordinated expenses of the Issuer, will be deposited instead into the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds to the extent necessary to cause the Retention Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as of that Determination Date after application of Principal Proceeds as described under clause (1) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

**Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

**Upon Rating Confirmation Failure .....** The Issuer will (i) provide certain information to S&P and Moody’s with respect to the Collateral Obligations, as required by the Indenture and described herein and (ii) request S&P to confirm in writing, by the Business Day

after the 29<sup>th</sup> day after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that it has not reduced, suspended or withdrawn the Initial Rating of any Class of Notes and that it has not placed any Class of Notes on credit watch with negative implications. If the Trustee either (i) does not receive evidence of confirmation from S&P, or (ii) receives a written notice from Moody's that it has reduced, suspended or withdrawn the Initial Rating of any Class of Notes or that it has placed any Class of Notes on credit watch with negative implications, in each case, before the Business Day following the 29-day period (each such event, a "**Rating Confirmation Failure**"), all Interest Proceeds remaining after payment of amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (14) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" will be used to pay principal of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes sequentially in order of their priority on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date thereafter until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. If necessary, after the foregoing payments are made out of Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds in accordance with clause (6) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds" will be used to pay principal of each Class of the Notes sequentially in order of their priority on each Payment Date until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. See "Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure."

**Non-Call Period**..... The period from the Closing Date to but not including the Payment Date in November 2010 (the "**Non-Call Period**").

**Optional Redemption**..... Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the applicable Required Redemption Percentage may require the Issuer or Co-Issuers, as applicable, to redeem the Notes, in whole but not in part, from Principal Proceeds and all other funds available for that purpose in the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account in accordance with the optional redemption procedures described under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption."

Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at their Redemption Price. From and after the Redemption Date the redeemed Notes will cease to bear interest.

The redemption price payable in connection with the Optional Redemption of any Class of Notes will be the sum of:

- (i) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of the Note being redeemed; *plus*
- (ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest); *plus*
- (iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note; *plus*
- (iv) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

The redemption price payable in connection with the Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares will be (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the entire remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case, as described under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

In addition, any Class of Notes may be redeemed in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period from Refinancing Proceeds obtained from a loan or the issuance of a replacement class of notes, subject to the written consent of a Majority of the Preference Shares (voting as a single class) and to the extent and subject to the restrictions and conditions described herein and set forth in the Indenture.

**Special Redemption**..... The Notes will be subject to redemption in whole or in part by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, on Payment Dates during the Replacement Period if the Servicer elects (subject to the Servicing Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the use of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (a “**Special Redemption**”). On the first Payment Date following the Due Period for which such notice is effective (a “**Special Redemption Date**”), the funds in the Collection Account or the Payment Account representing Principal Proceeds which cannot be used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (the “**Special Redemption Amount**”) will be available to be applied in accordance with the Priority of



Payments. See “Description of the Securities—Special Redemption of the Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture.”

#### **Additional Issuance of Preference**

**Shares .....** At any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the net proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations if the conditions for such additional issuance described under “Description of the Securities—Additional Issuance of Preference Shares” are met. Any amendment to the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents or any other related documents required to provide for or facilitate such additional issuance of Preference Shares will not require the consent of the Holders of Securities.

It is expected that Investors Corp. will finance the purchase of any additional Class I Preference Shares issued by the Issuer by issuing additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such additional Class I Preference Shares purchased by it.

**The Offering.....** The Senior Notes are initially being offered (i) in reliance on Regulation S, to non-U.S. Persons in offshore transactions (“**Offshore Transactions**”) as such term is defined in Regulation S and (ii) to purchasers that are U.S. persons (“**U.S. Persons**”) as such term is defined in Regulation S, that are (I) Qualified Institutional Buyers (as defined in Rule 144A) (each, a “**Qualified Institutional Buyer**”) and (II) Qualified Purchasers. Subsequent transferees of the Senior Notes must be (i) non-U.S. Persons that purchase the Senior Notes in Offshore Transactions or (ii)(a) Qualified Institutional Buyers and (b) Qualified Purchasers. The Class D Notes and the Preference Shares are initially offered and may be subsequently transferred only to purchasers that are (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers and (ii) Qualified Purchasers. See “Plan of Distribution” and “Transfer Restrictions.”

#### **Form, Registration and Transfer of the Senior Notes .....**

Except as provided herein, the Senior Notes sold in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Rule 144A and Qualified Purchasers will be represented by one or more permanent global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons (each, a “**Rule 144A Global Note**”) deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository. The Depository will credit the account of each of its participants with the principal amount of the Senior Notes being purchased by or through the participant. Beneficial

interests in a Rule 144A Global Note will be shown on, and transfers thereof will be effected only through, records maintained by the Depository and its direct and indirect participants. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Senior Notes.”

Except as provided herein, the Senior Notes sold in Offshore Transactions to non-U.S. Persons in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by one or more permanent global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons (each, a “**Regulation S Global Note**,” and, together with the Rule 144A Global Notes, the “**Global Notes**”) which will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear or Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream at any time.

Except in the limited circumstances described herein, certificated Senior Notes will not be issued in exchange for beneficial interests in Global Notes. See “Settlement and Clearing.”

Transfers of interests in the Senior Notes are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Indenture. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Senior Notes” and “Transfer Restrictions.” Each purchaser of Senior Notes in making its purchase will be required to make, or will be deemed to have made, as the case may be, certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements. See “Transfer Restrictions.”

**Form, Registration and Transfers of  
the Class D Notes .....**

The Class D Notes will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Class D Notes in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the “**Certificated Class D Notes**”).

Transfers of the Class D Notes are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Indenture. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Class D Notes” and “Transfer Restrictions.” Each purchaser of Class D Notes in making its purchase will be required to make certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements, and will be required to deliver various tax forms (including applicable IRS Form W-8 or IRS Form W-9) and tax certifications. See “Transfer Restrictions” for more details.

**Form, Registration and Transfers of the Preference Shares .....**

The Preference Shares will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Preference Shares in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the “**Certificated Preference Shares**”).

Transfers of the Preference Shares are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Preference Share Documents. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Preference Shares” and “Transfer Restrictions.” Each purchaser of Preference Shares in making its purchase will be required to make certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements, and will be required to deliver various tax forms (including applicable IRS Form W-8 or IRS Form W-9) and tax certifications. See “Transfer Restrictions” for more details.

**Ratings .....**

It is a condition of the issuance of the Securities that each Class of Notes are rated at least as indicated in the table under “—Principal Terms of the Securities” on the Closing Date.

No rating of the Preference Shares has been sought or obtained in connection with the issuance thereof.

Each of the above ratings assumes that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date.

A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning Rating Agency. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—Future Ratings of the Notes Are Not Assured and Limited in Scope; the Preference Shares are Not Rated.”

**Listing .....**

Application is expected to be made to list each Class of the Senior Notes on the regulated market of the ISE. There can be no assurance that such admission will be granted or maintained. See “Listing and General Information.” The issuance and settlement of the Senior Notes on the Closing Date will not be conditioned on the listing of the Notes on the ISE. Furthermore, the Co-Issuers will not be required to maintain a listing on a stock exchange in the European Union if compliance with requirements of the European Commission on a member state becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer. In addition, there is currently no market for the Senior Notes and there can be no assurance that a market will develop.

**Governing Law .....** The terms and conditions of the Preference Shares (as set forth in the Issuer Charter and the Resolutions) will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the Cayman Islands. The Notes, Indenture, any supplemental indenture, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and any Hedge Agreements will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the State of New York.

**Tax Status.....** See “Material Income Tax Considerations.”

**Considerations for Benefit Plans.....** Except as described herein, the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares may not be purchased or held by, or transferred to, any Benefit Plan Investor. See “Considerations for Benefit Plans” and “Transfer Restrictions.”

## **RISK FACTORS**

*An investment in the Securities involves certain risks. Prospective investors should carefully consider the following factors, in addition to the matters set forth elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum, prior to investing in any Class of Securities.*

### **Investor Suitability**

An investment in the Securities will not be appropriate or suitable for all investors. Structured investment products, like the Securities, are complex instruments, and typically involve a high degree of risk and are intended for sale only to sophisticated investors who are capable of understanding and assuming the risks involved. Any investor purchasing Securities should conduct its own investigation and analysis of an investment in the Securities and consult with its own professional advisors as to the risks involved in making such investment.

### **General; Priorities of Securities**

The Issuer intends to acquire securities and other financial assets with certain risk characteristics as provided in the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement. See “Security for the Notes.” There can be no assurance that the Issuer will be successful in achieving its objectives to ensure that investors receive their initial investments under the Securities and that they receive a return (and avoid any losses, including total losses) on their investment in the Securities. Prospective investors are therefore advised to review this entire Offering Memorandum carefully and should consider, among other things, the following risk factors (along with, among other things, the inherent risks of investment activities) before deciding whether to invest in the Securities.

Except as is otherwise stated below, the risk factors are generally applicable to all the Securities, although the degree of risk associated with each Class of Securities may vary. In particular, the priorities of payment of the Notes are generally in the order of their alphabetic designation from the Class A-1a Notes (the highest priority) to the Class D Notes (the lowest priority), the priorities of payment of the Notes are higher than priorities of payment of the Preference Shares except with respect to the amount, if any, required for payment of Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

### **Relating to the Securities**

#### *The Securities Will Have Limited Liquidity*

There is currently no market for the Securities. There can be no assurance that a secondary market for any Class of Securities will develop, or if a secondary market does develop, that it will provide the Holders of the applicable Class of Securities with liquidity of investment or that it will continue for the life of such Class of Securities. In addition, each Class of Securities is subject to certain transfer restrictions and can only be transferred to certain transferees as described under “Transfer Restrictions.” The restrictions on the transfer of the Securities may further limit their liquidity. The Securities are designed for long-term investors and should not be considered a vehicle for short-term trading purposes. Consequently, an investor in the Securities must be prepared to bear the risk of holding such Securities until their Stated Maturity or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. To the extent that any secondary market exists for the Securities in the future, the price (if any) at which Securities may be sold could be at a discount, which in some cases may be substantial, from the principal amount of the Securities. To the extent any market exists for the Securities in the future, significant delays could occur in the actual sale of Securities. In addition, the Securities will not be registered under the Securities Act or any state securities laws, and the Co-Issuers have no plans, and are under no obligation, to register the Securities under the Securities Act. Application is expected to be made to admit each Class of the Senior Notes to the Official List of the ISE. There can be no assurance that any such admission will be granted or maintained.

*The Subordination of the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Note and the Preference Shares Will Affect Their Right to Payment in Relation to the More Senior Securities*

The Class A-1b Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A-1a Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class A-1b Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A-1a Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class A-1b Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A-1a Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

The Class A-2 Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A-1a Notes and the Class A-1b Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class A-2 Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A-1a and the Class A-1b Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class A-2 Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A-1a Notes and the Class A-1b Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

The Class B Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes and the Class A-2 Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class B Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes and the Class A-2 Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class B Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes and the Class A-2 Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class B Deferred Interest.

The Class C Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class C Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class C Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class C Deferred Interest.

The Class D Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class D Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class D Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class D Deferred Interest and the use of Interest Proceeds to pay principal of the Class D Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class D Coverage Tests .

No payments will be made out of Interest Proceeds on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments),

until due and unpaid interest on the Notes (including any Deferred Interest) and certain amounts (including certain amounts due under the Hedge Agreements, certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid on the Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments. No payments will be made out of Principal Proceeds on the Preference Shares (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) until principal of each Class of Notes and certain other amounts payable out of Principal Proceeds on each Payment Date have been paid in full. In addition, the Preference Shares will not be redeemed until each Class of Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

In addition, the Co-Issuers will have only nominal equity capitalization. Consequently, to the extent that any losses are suffered by any of the Holders of any Securities, the losses will be borne first by the Holders of the Preference Shares, and then by the Holders of each Class of Notes, serially in inverse order of their alphabetic designations.

See “Description of the Securities.”

*Interest Will Be Deferred on Deferred Interest Notes if There Are Insufficient Funds under the Priority of Payments for Payment of Interest*

So long as any Class A-1a Notes, Class A-1b Notes or Class A-2 Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class B Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes as Class B Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class B Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes and the Class A-2 Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds.

So long as any Class A-1a Notes, Class A-1b Notes, Class A-2 Notes or Class B Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class C Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes as Class C Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class C Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds.

So long as any Class A-1a Notes, Class A-1b Notes, Class A-2 Notes, Class B Notes or Class C Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class D Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes as Class D Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class D Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds.

*Interest Proceeds May Be Retained in Priority to any Payments to Holders of Preference Shares*

During the Replacement Period, if the Retention Overcollateralization Test is not met on any Determination Date, a portion of the Interest Proceeds that might otherwise have been paid to the Holders of the Preference Shares on the related Payment Date will instead be deposited into the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds, as described under clause (18) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

*The Controlling Class Will Control Many Rights under the Indenture; However, Some Rights of the Controlling Class to Sell the Collateral in Connection with an Event of Default Are Limited*

Under the Indenture, many rights of the Holders of the Notes will be controlled by a Majority of the Controlling Class. Remedies pursued by the Holders of the Controlling Class upon an Event of Default could be adverse to the interests of the Holders of Securities subordinated to the Controlling Class. After any realization on the Collateral, proceeds will be allocated in accordance with the Priority of Payments pursuant to which the Notes and certain other amounts owing by the Co-Issuers will be paid in full before any allocation to the Preference Shares (except, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments), and each Class of Notes (along with certain other amounts owing by the Co-Issuers) will be paid serially in alphabetic order until it is paid in full before any allocation is made to the next Class of Notes.

However, the ability of the Controlling Class to direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral is subject to certain limitations. As described under “Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default,” if an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee must retain the Collateral intact and collect all payments in respect of the Collateral and continue making payments in accordance with the Priority of Payments and in accordance with the Indenture unless either (A) the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, determines that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds,” and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination or (B) the Holders of a Super Majority of each of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes direct, subject to the provisions of the Indenture, the sale and liquidation of the Collateral.

*Net Proceeds Less Than Aggregate Amount of the Securities*

It is anticipated that the proceeds received by the Issuer on the Closing Date from the issuance of the Securities, net of certain fees and expenses, will be less than the aggregate amount of the Securities. Consequently, it is anticipated that on the Closing Date the Collateral would be insufficient to repay the purchase price of the Securities in the event of an Event of Default under the Indenture on that date.

In addition, during the lifetime of the transaction, except as described herein, excess interest will be distributed to the holders of the Preference Shares, rather than being invested in additional Collateral Obligations. Therefore, it is highly likely that after payments of the Notes and the other amounts payable prior to the Preference Shares under the Priority of Payments, Principal Proceeds will be insufficient to return the initial investment made in the Preference Shares. Therefore, over the passage of time, holders of Preference Shares will have to rely on excess interest for their ultimate return.

*The Issuer is Highly Leveraged, which Increases Risks to Investors*

The Issuer will be substantially leveraged. The use of leverage in acquiring assets is a speculative technique which increases the risk to holders of the Securities, particularly holders of the subordinated Securities. In certain scenarios, the Notes may not be paid in full and the Preference Shares may be subject to up to 100% loss of invested capital. The leverage provided to the Issuer by the issuance of the Securities will result in interest expense and other costs incurred in connection with the borrowings that may not be covered by the net interest income, dividends and other cash flow in respect of the Collateral Obligations. The use of leverage generally magnifies the Issuer’s risk of loss, particularly for the more subordinate Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares. The Preference Shares represent the most junior Securities in a highly leveraged capital structure. As a result, any deterioration in performance of the Collateral, including defaults and losses, a reduction of realized yield or other factors, will be borne first



by holders of the Preference Shares. In addition, the use of leverage can magnify the effects on the Preference Shares of a deterioration in the performance of the Collateral. In certain circumstances, such as in connection with the exercise of remedies following an Event of Default, the Controlling Class may require the Issuer to dispose of some or all of the Collateral Obligations under unfavorable market conditions, thus causing the Issuer to recognize a loss that might not otherwise have occurred. In certain circumstances, the Controlling Class are entitled to direct the sales of Collateral Obligations and may be expected to do so in their own interest, rather than in the interests of the more subordinate Classes of Securities.

*Each of the Co-Issuers Is Recently Formed, Has No Significant Operating History, Has No Material Assets Other than the Collateral and Is Limited in Its Permitted Activities*

Each of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer is a recently formed entity and has no significant operating history, other than, with respect to the Issuer, in connection with the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations during the period up to the Ramp-Up Completion Date. Accordingly, neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has a performance history for prospective investors to consider. The performance of other CDO vehicles serviced or advised by the Servicer should not be relied upon as an indication or prediction of the performance of the Issuer. Such other CDO vehicles may have significantly different characteristics, including structures, composition of the collateral pool, objectives, management personnel and terms when compared to the Issuer and the Co-Issuer. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—Performance History of the Servicer May Not Be Indicative of Future Results.”

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer will have any material assets other than, with respect to the Issuer, the Collateral. The Indenture provides that the Issuer is not permitted to engage in any business activity other than the issuance of the Notes, the Preference Shares and the Issuer Ordinary Shares, the acquisition and disposition of Collateral Obligations, certain activities conducted in connection with the payment of amounts in respect of the Securities and the servicing of the Collateral, and other activities incidental or related to the foregoing and that the Co-Issuer is not permitted to engage in any business activity other than the co-issuance and sale of the Senior Notes, the issuance of its share capital, and other activities incidental or related to the foregoing. Income derived from the Collateral will be the Issuer’s principal source of cash.

*The Securities Are Not Registered Under the Securities Act and the Issuer Is Not Registered under the Investment Company Act*

The Issuer has not registered the Securities under the Securities Act and the Issuer is not registered under the Investment Company Act, in each case in reliance upon applicable exemptions to registration under the Securities Act and the Investment Company Act. The Issuer does not expect to register the Securities under the Securities Act nor become registered under the Investment Company Act at any time in the foreseeable future. As such, investors should be aware that the Issuer and the Securities are not subject to many of the regulatory protections and oversight applicable to securities that are registered under the Securities Act or applicable to registered investment companies.

*The Notes Are Non-Recourse Debt Obligations; Investors Must Rely on Available Collections from the Collateral and Will Have No Other Source for Payment*

The Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes are non-recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuers and the Class D Notes are non-recourse debt obligations of the Issuer. The Securities are payable solely from the Collateral pledged by the Issuer to secure the Notes. None of the security holders, members, officers, directors, partners, or incorporators of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Administrator, the Share Registrar, the Share Trustee, any of their respective affiliates, or any other person will be obligated to make payments on the Notes. The Issuer’s ability to make interest payments and principal repayments on the Notes will be constrained by the terms of the Indenture. Holders of the Notes must rely solely on collections received on the Collateral pledged to secure the Notes and for the payment of interest and principal on the Notes, and there can be no assurance that those collections will be sufficient to pay all

amounts due on the Notes. If distributions on the Collateral are insufficient to make payments on the Notes, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and, following liquidation of all of the Collateral, the Co-Issuers will not have any obligation to pay any deficiency, which shall be extinguished and shall not revive.

*The Preference Shares are not Secured Obligations; Investors Must Rely on Available Collections from the Collateral and Will Have No Other Source for Payment*

The Preference Shares will be part of the issued share capital of the Issuer. The Preference Shares are equity in the Issuer and are not secured by the Collateral Obligations or other Collateral securing the Notes. As such, the Holders of Preference Shares will rank behind all creditors, whether secured or unsecured and known or unknown, of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the Holders of the Notes and any Hedge Counterparties (other than, to the extent described under the “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments,” the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares with respect to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments). Except with respect to the obligations of the Issuer to pay the amounts described under the “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” and “—Principal Proceeds,” the Issuer does not, however, expect to have any creditors though there can be no assurance that this will be the case. In addition, the Issuer is also subject to limitations with respect to the business that it may undertake. See “The Co-Issuers—Business.” Payments in respect of the Preference Shares are subject to certain requirements imposed by Cayman Islands law. Any amounts paid by the Preference Shares Paying Agent as dividends on the Preference Shares will be payable only if the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or balance in the Issuer’s share premium account. In addition, dividends and the final payment upon redemption of the Preference Shares will be payable only to the extent that the Issuer is and will remain solvent after such dividends or redemption payment is paid. Under Cayman Islands law, a company is generally deemed to be solvent if it is able to pay its debts as they come due.

The Issuer’s obligation to pay dividends or to make other distributions to the Holders of the Preference Shares will therefore not be a secured obligation of the Issuer and such Holders will not be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture, nor will the Trustee have any obligation to act on behalf of the Holders of Preference Shares. With the exception of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, Holders of the Preference Shares will only be entitled to receive amounts available for payment of dividends or other distributions after payment of all amounts payable on each Class of Notes and certain other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments and only to the extent of distributable profits of the Issuer and/or any balance in the Issuer’s share premium account and (in each case) only to the extent that the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distributions.

To the extent the requirements under Cayman Islands law described in the preceding paragraphs are not met, amounts otherwise payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares (with the exception of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) will be retained in the Preference Shares Distribution Account until, in the case of dividends, the next succeeding Payment Date on which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent such requirements are met and, in the case of any payment on redemption of the Preference Shares, the next succeeding Business Day on which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent such requirements are met. Amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account will not be available to pay amounts due to the Holders of the Notes, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Servicer, any Hedge Counterparty or any other creditor of the Issuer whose claim is limited in recourse to the Collateral. However, amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account may be subject to the claims of creditors of the Issuer that have not contractually limited their recourse to the Collateral. The Indenture and the Preference Share Documents will limit the Issuer’s activities to the issuance and sale of the Securities, the acquisition and disposition of the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments and the other activities related to the issuance and sale of the Securities described under the “The Co-Issuers.” The Issuer therefore does not expect to have any significant full recourse liabilities that would be payable out of amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

*The Issuer May Distribute Eligible Equity Securities to the Holders of the Preference Shares in Lieu of Cash*

The Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, may direct the Trustee to distribute Eligible Equity Securities, in lieu of a distribution of Interest Proceeds, in whole or in part, to the Holders of the Preference Shares who consent to such distribution with respect to any applicable Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities, determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date, is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be distributed to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares on the relevant Payment Date. The Market Value of any Eligible Equity Securities is subject to fluctuations and may increase or decrease following any distribution of such Eligible Equity Securities to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares, which, in certain circumstances, may result in the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares receiving overall a higher or lower internal rate of return compared with the internal rate of return received by the Holders of the Preference Shares who have not accepted any distribution of the Eligible Equity Securities.

*The Issuer May Not Be Able to Apply Available Funds to Acquire Appropriate Collateral*

The amount of Collateral Obligations purchased on the Closing Date, the amount and timing of the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations before the Ramp-Up Completion Date, and the subsequent application of Principal Proceeds, will affect the cash flows available to make payments on, and the return to the Holders of, the Securities. Reduced liquidity and relatively lower volumes of trading in certain Collateral Obligations, in addition to restrictions on acquisition represented by the Eligibility Criteria, could result in periods during which the Issuer is not able to fully utilize its available cash to acquire Collateral Obligations, and it is unlikely that the Issuer's available cash will be fully applied in Collateral Obligations at any time. The longer the period before application of cash or cash-equivalents to acquire Collateral Obligations and the larger the amount of such cash or cash equivalents, the greater the adverse impact may be on aggregate interest collected and distributed by the Issuer, thereby resulting in lower yield than could have been obtained if the net proceeds associated with the offering of the Securities and all Principal Proceeds were immediately and fully applied. The associated risk will be borne first by the Holders of the Preference Shares and second by the Holders of the Notes (beginning with the most subordinated Class of Notes). Although the Servicer may mitigate this risk to some degree during the Replacement Period by declaring a Special Redemption, the Servicer is not required to do so, and any Special Redemption may result in a lower yield on the Issuer's assets than could have been obtained if the net proceeds from the offering of the Securities and all Principal Proceeds were immediately and fully applied and no Special Redemption had taken place.

Generally, Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations, and Sale Proceeds received on the Collateral Obligations) will be applied during the Replacement Period (and, Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, may be applied on any date after the Replacement Period, at the discretion of the Servicer) to purchase replacement Collateral Obligations or temporarily held in Eligible Investments pending purchase of replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The earnings with respect to replacement Collateral Obligations will depend, among other factors, on interest rates available in the marketplace at the time and on the availability of Collateral Obligations acceptable to the Servicer that satisfy the criteria under "Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria." The need to satisfy the criteria and identify acceptable Collateral Obligations may require the purchase of replacement Collateral Obligations having lower yields than those initially acquired or require that Principal Proceeds be held temporarily in cash or Eligible Investments, which will reduce the yield earned by the Issuer. Further, issuers of Collateral Obligations may be more likely to exercise any rights they may have to redeem them when interest rates or spreads are declining. Any decrease in the yield on the Collateral Obligations will reduce the amounts available to make payments of principal and interest on the Notes and payments on the Preference Shares.

The Issuer expects that, as of the Closing Date, it will have purchased (or entered into commitments to purchase) approximately U.S.\$1,400,000,000 in Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations to be included in the anticipated portfolio as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date. As such, on the Closing Date, the Issuer is expected to have unapplied proceeds. This will likely reduce the amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be available to distribute to the holders of the Preference Shares, particularly on the first Distribution Date. If the Issuer issues additional Preference Shares after the Closing Date, the Issuer would likely have unapplied proceeds of the offering, pending the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations. The extent to which cash balances remain unapplied will be subject to a variety of factors, including future market conditions and is difficult to predict.

#### *Valuation Information*

Neither the Issuer nor any other party will be required to provide periodic pricing or valuation information to investors.

#### *Changes in Tax Law Could Result in the Imposition of Withholding Taxes with Respect to Payments on the Securities, and the Issuer Will Not Gross-Up Payments to Holders*

Although no withholding tax is currently imposed by the United States or the Cayman Islands on payments on the Securities, there can be no assurance that, as a result of any change in any applicable law, treaty, rule, regulation, or interpretation thereof, the payments with respect to the Securities would not in the future become subject to withholding taxes. If any withholding tax is imposed on payments on any Securities, the Issuer will not “gross up” payments to their Holders.

#### *The Securities Are Subject to Substantial Transfer Restrictions*

The Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act, under any U.S. state securities or “Blue Sky” laws, or under the securities laws of any other jurisdiction and are being issued and sold in reliance upon exemptions from registration provided by those laws. No Securities may be sold or transferred unless: the sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act (for example, in reliance on exemptions provided by Rule 144A or Regulation S) and applicable state securities laws; and the sale or transfer does not cause either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral to become subject to the registration requirements of the Investment Company Act. See “Transfer Restrictions” and “Considerations for Benefit Plans.”

#### *Non-Compliance with Restrictions on Ownership of the Securities and Acquisition or Disposition of Collateral Obligations under the Investment Company Act Could Adversely Affect the Issuer*

Neither of the Co-Issuers has registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) as an investment company pursuant to the Investment Company Act in reliance on an exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Section 3(c)(7) for companies organized under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States or any of its states whose investors residing in the United States are solely “qualified purchasers” (within the meaning given to such term in the Investment Company Act and related SEC regulations).

The Issuer and the Co-Issuer may, at any time following the Closing Date, rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7) upon (a) receipt of an opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm providing that neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer is required to register as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on such exclusion under Rule 3a-7 and (b) notice to the Holders of the Securities in accordance with the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. In connection with this alternate reliance, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents may be amended without the consent of any Holders to prevent the Issuer from becoming an “investment company” as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7). See “—The Servicer May

Cause the Issuer to Amend the Indenture to Assure Compliance with Rule 3a-7 Without the Consent of the Holders of the Securities in a Manner that May Adversely Affect the Holders of Securities” below.

No opinion or no-action position with respect to the registration of either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral under the Investment Company Act has been requested of, or received from, the SEC. If the SEC or a court of competent jurisdiction were to find that the Issuer or the Co-Issuer is required, but in violation of the Investment Company Act had failed, to register as an investment company, possible consequences include the following: (i) the SEC could apply to a district court to enjoin the violation; (ii) investors in the Issuer or the Co-Issuer could sue the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, and recover any damages caused by the violation; and (iii) any contract to which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, is party whose performance involves a violation of the Investment Company Act would be unenforceable by any party to the contract unless a court were to find that under the circumstances enforcement would produce a more equitable result than non-enforcement and would not be inconsistent with the purposes of the Investment Company Act.

In addition, the Issuer’s being required to register as an investment company would result in an Event of Default. See “Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default.” Should the Issuer or the Co-Issuer be subjected to any or all of the foregoing, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, would be materially and adversely affected.

*Restrictions on Acquisition or Disposition of Collateral Obligations May Reduce the Earnings of the Holders of the Securities*

Rule 3a-7 imposes limitations on the ability of the Issuer to purchase or sell assets, including prohibiting the Issuer from purchasing or selling assets for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. The Indenture will restrict the Issuer from purchasing and selling assets consistent with such requirements of Rule 3a-7. Under these restrictions the Issuer may be required to hold a Collateral Obligation or precluded from acquiring a Collateral Obligation when it would have sold such Collateral Obligation or acquired such Collateral Obligation, as applicable, had it based such determination on the market value changes in the value of such Collateral Obligations. As a result, greater losses on the Collateral may be sustained and there may be insufficient proceeds on any Payment Date to pay in full any expenses of the Issuer or any amounts payable to the Trustee or the Administrator (all of which amounts are payable prior to payments in respect of the Notes) and the payments due on the Securities. See “Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations.”

*The Servicer May Cause the Issuer to Amend the Indenture to Assure Compliance with Rule 3a-7 Without the Consent of the Holders of the Securities in a Manner That May Adversely Affect the Holders of Securities*

On the Closing Date, HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries will purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares. The Servicer will act as the manager for HFP. HFP and Highland Financial Trust (“HFT”), the owner of substantially all of the limited partnership interests of HFP, may need to rely on an exception from the definition of “investment company” and the requirement to register under the Investment Company Act that in turn depends upon the Issuer not being an investment company required to register under the Investment Company Act by reason of Rule 3a-7 thereunder in lieu of the Issuer’s reliance on Section 3(c)(7). It is expected that, in connection with certain capital raising activities of Highland Financial Trust, the SEC may consider the applicability of Rule 3a-7 to the Issuer. If it were determined that the Issuer cannot rely on Rule 3a-7, the Servicer may cause the Issuer to amend the Indenture without the consent of the Holders of the Notes and without the consent of the Holders of the Preference Shares to enable the Issuer to rely on Rule 3a-7 or to better assure compliance therewith, which could require additional limitations and prohibitions on the circumstances under which the Issuer may sell assets, on the type of assets that the Issuer may acquire out of the proceeds of assets that mature, are refinanced or otherwise sold, on the period during which such transactions may occur, on the level of transactions that may occur or on other provisions of the Indenture and could adversely affect the earnings of the Issuer and its ability to make payments on the Notes and distributions to the Preference Shares. As

a condition to the effectiveness of any such amendment to the Indenture, the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer will receive (i) a Rating Confirmation with respect to such amendment and (ii) a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such amendment and assuming compliance with the Indenture as so amended, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act in reliance on such exemption under Rule 3a-7. Such nationally recognized law firm may also be acting as counsel to the Servicer, certain Holders of Notes and/or Preference Shares. The interests of any such parties may not align with the interest of other Holders of Notes and/or Preference Shares. See "Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Supplemental Indenture."

*The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary*

The Stated Maturity of the Notes is November 1, 2021 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date. The weighted average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years until their Stated Maturity. See "Description of the Securities." The weighted average life of a Class of Notes will be affected by the amount and timing of payments of principal of the Notes and the amount and timing of payments received on the Collateral Obligations. The amount and timing of payments of principal on the Notes will be affected by, among other things, any Optional Redemption of the Notes, any Refinancing of the Notes, a failure of any Coverage Test, a Rating Confirmation Failure, any failure by the Servicer to apply the proceeds of the offering of the Securities in Collateral Obligations, a redemption of the Securities made in connection with a Tax Event, any Special Redemption of one or more Classes of Notes, and an Event of Default by the Issuer in the payment of the Notes and an acceleration of the principal of the Notes in connection with an Event of Default. The occurrence of any of the foregoing unscheduled principal repayments of the Notes is, in turn, determined by the amount and timing of payments on the Collateral, which will be dependent on, among other things, the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral and the characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, including the existence and frequency of exercise of any prepayment, optional redemption, or sinking fund features, the prevailing level of interest rates, the redemption price, the actual default rate and the actual level of recoveries on any Defaulted Collateral Obligations, the frequency of tender or exchange offers for the Collateral Obligations and any sales of Collateral Obligations, dividends or other distributions received on any obligations that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange do not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, as well as the risks unique to Collateral Obligations of foreign issuers. A shortening of the average life of the Notes may adversely affect returns on the Preference Shares. See "Security for the Notes."

The Collateral Obligations actually acquired by the Issuer may be different from those expected to be purchased by the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, due to market conditions, availability of such Collateral Obligations and other factors. The actual portfolio of Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer will change from time to time as a result of sales and purchases of Collateral Obligations.

*A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected*

Under the Indenture, the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled, on each Extension Effective Date, to extend the Replacement Period (a maximum of four times) to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. Under the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents, if the Replacement Period is so extended, the Stated Maturity of the Notes (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) will be equally extended and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended without the requirement for any approval or consent of any Holders of Securities. Holders of Securities will not be able to prevent or prohibit the extension of the Stated Maturity of the Notes (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) so long as the Extension Conditions are satisfied, which include the ability of

Holders of Securities to sell their Securities at the designated purchase price to a designated purchaser under the Indenture. However, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Indenture provides that Holders of Preference Shares that have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% as of the Extension Effective Date will not receive any payment in exchange for their Preference Shares sold in connection with a Maturity Extension.

As a consequence, if the Servicer elects to extend the Replacement Period and the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Holders of the Securities may either be required to hold their Securities for a significantly longer period of time or be forced to sell their Securities for the applicable purchase price under the Indenture, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Securities.

*An Amendment Buy-Out May Result in a Shorter Holding Period Than Expected*

Any Non-Consenting Holder of Securities with respect to an amendment of the Indenture (which includes Holders that fail to respond to a consent solicitation within the applicable period) may be forced to sell its applicable Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Securities. However, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Indenture provides that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price will be zero for Non-Consenting Holders that have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% as of the Amendment Buy-Out Date. See “Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out.” A Holder’s ability to vote against an amendment or affect or influence the amendment process with respect to the Indenture may thus be limited. The Amendment Buy-Out Option may also increase the ability of the Servicer to affect or influence the amendment process.

The Servicer has agreed with one or more Multiple Class Holders that, to the extent an Amendment Buy-Out is effected in connection with any Class of Securities (or Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be) held or, in the case of any Notes represented by Global Notes, beneficially owned by any such Multiple Class Holder and any other Class of Securities (or Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be) held or, in the case of any Notes represented by Global Notes, beneficially owned by such Multiple Class Holder is not considered adversely affected by the applicable amendment and therefore not subject to the Amendment Buy-Out provisions of the Indenture, the Servicer will, at the option of such Multiple Class Holder, purchase such Securities of such non-affected Class (or Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be) from such Multiple Class Holder, in each case, at a price equal to what the Amendment Buy-Out Price would have been with respect to such Class of Securities had such Class of Securities been subject to the Amendment Buy-Out.

*The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests*

If any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied on any Determination Date on which the Notes of the relevant Class are Outstanding, Interest Proceeds available on the related Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments (and, to the extent Interest Proceeds are insufficient, Principal Proceeds available on the Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments) are required to be applied to pay principal of the relevant Class of Notes (and any Classes senior to it) to the extent necessary for the relevant Coverage Test to be satisfied. The application of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to pay principal of the Notes to the extent necessary to restore the Coverage Tests to certain minimum required levels could result in an elimination, deferral or reduction in the amounts available to make distributions on the Preference Shares and interest and principal payments on one or more classes of Notes, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of the Securities.

*The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure*

If any rating of any Class of Notes is reduced or withdrawn or placed on credit watch with negative implications by the Business Day after the 29<sup>th</sup> day after the Ramp-Up Completion Date by either Rating Agency, Interest Proceeds and, if Interest Proceeds are insufficient, Principal Proceeds, are

required to be diverted in accordance with the Priority of Payments and used to pay the principal of the Notes sequentially in order of their relative priority on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date after that until each rating is reinstated. The application of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to pay principal of the Notes to the extent necessary for one or more ratings to be reinstated could result in an elimination, deferral, or reduction in one or more payments or distributions on one or more Classes of Securities, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of those Classes of Securities.

*The Indenture Permits Special Redemption of Notes Based on the Servicer's Inability to Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations*

The Servicer is permitted under the Indenture to elect to have all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations applied to a Special Redemption of the Notes, in whole or in part, on one or more Payment Dates during the Replacement Period because it has been unable, for a period of at least 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional or replacement Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the application of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations. On the Special Redemption Date, in accordance with the Indenture, the Special Redemption Amount will be applied in accordance with "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds," to the extent available (which includes for this purpose unapplied proceeds specified by the Servicer), to pay the principal of the Notes. The application of funds in that manner could result in an elimination, deferral, or reduction of amounts available to make payments on Securities subordinate in priority to the Securities being amortized. See "Description of the Securities—Special Redemption of Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture."

*The Notes Are Subject to Optional Redemption*

Subject to satisfaction of certain conditions, on any Payment Date upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the applicable Required Redemption Percentage may require that the Notes be redeemed as described under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption." In the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Servicer may be required to aggregate Collateral Obligations to be sold together in one block transaction, thereby possibly resulting in a lower realized value for the Collateral Obligations sold. There can be no assurance that the market value of the Collateral will be sufficient for the applicable Required Redemption Percentage to direct an Optional Redemption of the Notes. A decrease in the market value of the Collateral would adversely affect the Sale Proceeds from their sale. Consequently, the conditions precedent to the exercise of an Optional Redemption may not be met. Moreover, the Holders of the Notes may not be able to invest the proceeds of the redemption of the Notes in investments providing a return equal to or greater than the Holders of the Notes expected to obtain from their investment in the Notes.

*The Notes are Subject to Redemption by Refinancing*

The Indenture provides that any Class of the Notes may be redeemed in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date following the fifth anniversary of the Closing Date from Refinancing Proceeds subject to the satisfaction of certain requirements. See "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Redemption by Refinancing" Accordingly, a more junior Class of Notes may be redeemed from Refinancing Proceeds in whole even if a more senior Class of Notes remains outstanding. Holders of Notes that are refinanced (or otherwise optionally redeemed) may not be able to reinvest the proceeds of such Notes in assets with comparable interest rates or maturity. An optional redemption from Refinancing Proceeds may also result in a shorter investment than a Holder of Notes may have anticipated.

The Servicer has agreed with one or more Multiple Class Holders that, to the extent any Class of Notes held or, in the case of any Notes represented by Global Notes, beneficially owned by any such Multiple Class Holder are subject to redemption by the Issuer with Refinancing Proceeds in connection with a Refinancing, the Servicer will, at the option of such Multiple Class Holder, purchase any or all of



the Securities (or Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be) held or, in the case of any Notes represented by Global Notes, beneficially owned by such Multiple Class Holder that are not subject to redemption by the Issuer with Refinancing Proceeds in connection with a Refinancing, in each case, at the applicable Redemption Price therefor.

*Future Ratings of the Notes Are Not Assured and Limited in Scope; the Preference Shares Are Not Rated*

It is a condition to the issuance of the Notes that they be rated as provided under “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.” A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and is subject to revision or withdrawal at any time. There is no assurance that a rating will remain for any given period or that a rating will not be lowered or withdrawn entirely by each Rating Agency if in its judgment circumstances in the future so warrant. Any such action could have an adverse effect on the Holders of the relevant Class of Securities. If a rating initially assigned to a Class of Notes is subsequently lowered for any reason, no person is obligated to provide any additional credit support or credit enhancement. The ratings of the Notes are based on the assumption that no Maturity Extension occurs at any time.

No rating of the Preference Shares will be sought or obtained in connection with their issuance.

*The Issuer could be Treated as Engaged in a United States Trade or Business*

Prior to the issuance of the Securities, the Issuer will receive an opinion from Latham & Watkins LLP (“**Tax Counsel**”), which opinion is based in part on the safe harbor provided by Section 864(b)(2) of the Code and the Treasury regulations thereunder applying to non-U.S. persons that restrict their activities in the United States to trading in stocks and securities for their own account. The opinion will be to the effect that, although no activity closely comparable to that contemplated by the Issuer has been the subject of any Treasury regulation, revenue ruling or judicial decision and the matter is not free from doubt, assuming compliance with the Issuer’s Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement and other related documents by all parties thereto, the Issuer’s permitted activities will not cause it to be treated as engaged in the conduct of a U.S. trade or business under the Code. However, in the absence of authority on point, whether the Issuer is or will be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States or not is not entirely free from doubt, and there can be no assurance that positions contrary to those stated in the opinion of Tax Counsel or any other advice or opinion may not be asserted successfully by the Internal Revenue Service (the “**IRS**”). The opinion is based on certain assumptions and on certain representations and agreements regarding restrictions on the future conduct of the activities of the Issuer and the Servicer. Although the Issuer intends to conduct its business in accordance with such assumptions, representations and agreements, if it were nonetheless determined that the Issuer was engaged in a United States trade or business and had taxable income that is effectively connected with such United States trade or business, foreign investors in Preference Shares that would otherwise not be subject to U.S. federal income tax would be subject to U.S. federal income tax on their allocable share of the Issuer’s income and the Issuer would be required to withhold on income allocable to such foreign investors of the Preference Shares regardless of whether distributions were made to such holders. Such withholding may reduce the amounts available to make payments on the Notes and would reduce distributions to the holders of the Preference Shares. Investors should note that the Treasury and the IRS recently announced that they are considering taxpayer requests for specific guidance on, among other things, whether a foreign person may be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States by virtue of entering into credit default swaps. However, the Treasury and the IRS have not yet provided any guidance on whether they believe entering into credit default swaps may cause a foreign person to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States and if so, what facts and circumstances must be present for this conclusion to apply. Any future guidance issued by the Treasury and/or the IRS may have an adverse impact on the tax treatment of the Issuer. See discussion under the heading “Material Income Tax Considerations—U.S. Federal Income Taxation of the Issuer—U.S. Federal Income Tax” below. There can be no assurance that, if the Issuer were determined to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States, it would be able to make timely payments of interest on, payment of principal and payment of other distributions at the applicable Stated Maturity of the

Securities. In addition, all or a portion of the payments on the Securities to a holder that is not a U.S. Holder (as defined in “Material Income Tax Considerations—General” below) could in such circumstance be subject to a 30% U.S. federal withholding tax. See “Material Income Tax Considerations.”

### *Benefit Plan Investors*

Certain transactions involving the Co-Issuers in the ordinary course might be deemed to constitute “prohibited transactions” under the United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”), and Section 4975 of the Code with respect to Benefit Plan Investors (as defined in “Considerations for Benefit Plans”) that purchase the Securities, if assets of the Issuer and/or the Co-Issuer were deemed to be “plan assets” subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or Similar Law (as defined in “Considerations for Benefit Plans”). The Issuer intends to restrict ownership of the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares by Benefit Plan Investors so that no assets of the Issuer will be deemed to be “plan assets” of a plan subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code. Specifically, the Issuer, in reliance on purchaser and transferee representations and deemed representations, intends to restrict the acquisition of the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares so that less than 25% of the aggregate outstanding amount of each of the Class D Notes, the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares will be held by Benefit Plan Investors (determined without regard to those Class D Notes and Preference Shares held by Controlling Persons (as defined in “Considerations for Benefit Plans”), such as the Class D Notes and the Class II Preference Shares held by the Servicer or its affiliates and employees thereof). However, there can be no assurance that the ownership of any of the Class D Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares by Benefit Plan Investors will always remain below the 25% threshold established under the Plan Asset Regulation (as defined in “Considerations for Benefit Plans”).

Although the Co-Issuers believe that the Senior Notes should be classified as indebtedness (rather than as equity) for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulation (as defined in “Considerations for Benefit Plans”) (and thus will allow more than 25% of each class of Senior Notes to be purchased by Benefit Plan Investors), there can be no assurance that the Senior Notes will be so characterized, and the characterization of one or more classes of the Senior Notes could change if the financial condition of the Co-Issuers changes or other terms and conditions of the Senior Notes change.

If the Benefit Plan Investor ownership of any of the Class D Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares were to meet or exceed the 25% threshold described above, or any class of the Senior Notes were characterized as equity and such threshold were exceeded with respect to such class, resulting in the assets of the Co-Issuers being deemed to be “plan assets,” certain transactions that the Co-Issuers might enter into, or may have entered into, in the ordinary course of business, might constitute non-exempt prohibited transactions under ERISA and/or Section 4975 of the Code and might have to be rescinded. Additionally, the Co-Issuers or other “parties in interest” (as defined in Section 3(14) of ERISA) or “disqualified persons” (as defined in Section 4975(e)(2) of the Code) may be subject to other penalties and liabilities with respect to the transaction.

In addition, the acquisition or holding of the Securities by or on behalf of a plan subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code could give rise to a prohibited transaction if any of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, other persons providing services in connection with the Co-Issuers, or any of their respective affiliates, is a “disqualified person” or “party in interest” with respect to that plan. The acquisition or holding of Securities by a governmental, foreign or church plan subject to laws substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code could constitute a violation of such similar laws. If such transaction is not exempt from ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code or, if applicable, substantially similar laws pertaining to governmental, foreign or church plans, the transaction may have to be rescinded and the Co-Issuers or other “disqualified persons” or “parties in interest” may be subject to other penalties with respect to the transaction. Therefore, each investor in the Securities will be required or deemed to represent and warrant that either (i) it is not, and is not using the assets of, and throughout the holding and disposition of such Securities will not become or transfer its interest to, a plan subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code,

or an entity that is deemed to hold assets of any of the foregoing or a governmental, foreign or church plan which is subject to any federal, state, foreign or local law that is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or (ii) its purchase, holding and disposition of such Securities will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law) because such purchase, holding and disposition either (x) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (y) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all of the conditions of which are and will be satisfied upon the acquisition of, and throughout its holding and disposition of such Securities.

Any transfer in violation of the foregoing representations will be treated as having no force and effect and will be null and void *ab initio*, potentially causing loss to the investor purchasing in violation of these representations.

See “Considerations for Benefit Plans” herein for a more detailed discussion of certain ERISA and related considerations with respect to an investment in the Securities by an employee benefit plan or similar plan or arrangement.

### **Relating to the Servicing Agreement**

*The Servicing Agreement May Be Amended Without the Consent of Holders of Securities Whether or Not Such Amendment Adversely Affects Holders of Securities*

The Issuer may, at the request of the Servicer, enter into an amendment or modification of the Servicing Agreement from time to time, without the consent of the Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not the interests of the Holders of the Securities are adversely affected thereby; *provided that*, with respect to any such amendment or modification, (a) the Rating Condition is satisfied and (b) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares have not objected in writing to such amendment or modification by delivering a notice to the Trustee prior to the relevant Objection Cut-Off Date. Holders of the Securities other than Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and Holders of the Preference Shares will have no ability to vote against any such amendment or modification. The ability of the Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and Holders of the Preference Shares to influence the amendment process is limited to the right of a Majority of either such Class to object as described above. To the extent that less than a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares object to the proposed amendment or modification, the Servicer may request that the Issuer enter into such amendment or modification and the Trustee consent thereto, without regard to the fact that certain Holders of the Securities may have objected to such proposed amendment or modification.

### **Relating to the Servicer**

*The Issuer Will Depend on the Expertise Available to the Servicer and its Key Personnel*

The performance of the Issuer’s portfolio of Collateral Obligations depends heavily on the skills of the Servicer in analyzing, selecting and monitoring the Collateral Obligations. As a result, the Issuer will be highly dependent on the financial and servicing experience of certain professionals associated with the Servicer, none of whom is under a contractual obligation to the Issuer to continue to be associated with the Servicer for the term of this transaction. The loss of one or more of these individuals could have a material adverse effect on the performance of the Co-Issuers. Furthermore, the Servicer has informed the Issuer that these professionals are also actively involved in other activities and will not be able to devote all of their time to the Issuer’s business and affairs. In addition, individuals not currently associated with the Servicer may become associated with the Servicer and the cash-flow performance of the Collateral Obligations may also depend on the financial and servicing experience of such individuals. See “The Servicing Agreement” and “The Servicer.”

*The Issuer Will Have Limited Control of the Administration and Amendment of Collateral Obligations*

The Servicer will cause the Issuer to exercise or enforce, or refrain from exercising or enforcing, its rights in connection with the Collateral Obligations or any related documents or will refuse amendments or waivers of the terms of any Collateral Obligation and related documents in accordance with its ordinary business practices as if the Servicer were administering the Collateral Obligations for its own account. The authority of the Servicer to cause the Issuer to change the terms of the Collateral Obligations will generally not be restricted by the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement. As a result, the Issuer will be relying on the Servicer's customary standards, policies and procedures with respect to the servicing of the Collateral Obligations. The Holders of the Securities and the Issuer will not have any right to compel the Issuer or the Servicer to take or refrain from taking any actions other than in accordance with its ordinary business practices.

In addition, when the Issuer holds a Participation, the Issuer generally will have no right to enforce compliance by the borrower with the loan or credit agreement or other instrument evidencing the related loan obligation, no rights of set-off against the borrower, no direct interest in the collateral supporting the loan obligation, and no right to vote with respect to amendments of, or waivers of defaults under, the loan obligation. An acquisition by the Issuer of a Synthetic Security related to a Loan involves many of the same considerations relevant to Participations. See “—Relating to the Collateral Obligations—Loans Involve Particular Risks” and “—Synthetic Securities Involve Particular Risks” below.

A modification that would increase the commitment of a lender, reduce the interest rate, or postpone the final maturity of an obligation under a participation agreement, or release all of the collateral for an obligation, generally requires the affirmative vote of the Participating Institution for a loan in which the Issuer owns a Participation, or of the Issuer for a Loan purchased by assignment, for the increase, reduction, or postponement to be binding. The exercise of remedies may also be subject to the vote of a specified percentage of the lenders under the loan obligation. The Servicer will have the authority to cause the Issuer to consent to certain amendments, waivers, or modifications to the Collateral Obligations requested by obligors or the lead agents for participation agreements relating to Participations (subject to operating procedures intended to reduce the risk that the Issuer would be deemed to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States for United States federal income tax purposes). The Servicer may, subject to the transaction documents, cause the Issuer to extend or defer the maturity, adjust the outstanding balance of any Collateral Obligation, reduce or forgive interest or fees, release material collateral or guarantees, or otherwise amend, modify, or waive the terms of any related loan agreement, including its payment terms. The Servicer will make determinations in accordance with its servicing standards under the Servicing Agreement. Any amendment, waiver, or modification of a Collateral Obligation could postpone the expected maturity of the Notes or the expected redemption date of the Preference Shares, or reduce the likelihood of timely and complete payment of interest or principal under the Notes or a full return of an investment in the Preference Shares.

*Performance History of the Servicer May Not Be Indicative of Future Results*

Any prior results of the Servicer, and the persons associated with it or any other entity may not be indicative of the Issuer's future results. The nature of, and risks associated with, the Issuer's future assets may differ substantially from those assets historically associated with the Servicer, and the persons associated with it or any other entity. There can be no assurance that the Issuer's assets will perform as well as the past assets serviced or managed by the Servicer, and the persons associated with it or any other entity. Moreover, since the criteria that govern the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations do not govern the Servicer's activities generally, the acquisition and disposition of Collateral Obligations conducted in accordance with the criteria contained in the Indenture, and the results they yield, may differ substantially from other assets serviced or managed by the Servicer.

Other accounts, collateralized debt obligations or other funds managed or serviced by the Servicer that are similar to the Issuer (“**Other Debt Funds**”) have been structured to comply with the exemption

from registration under the Investment Company Act provided by Section 3(c)(7) thereunder, whereas the Issuer is also structured to comply with the exemption from registration provided by Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act and may in the future, subject to the conditions described herein, rely exclusively on such exemption from registration provided by Rule 3a-7. Rule 3a-7 requires certain additional limitations and restrictions on the buying and selling of assets of the Issuer that are not applicable to the assets of the Other Debt Funds relying on the Section 3(c)(7) exemption from registration. As a result, the Issuer's ability to react to changes in market value of the assets is more limited and the returns on the Issuer's assets and the Securities, including the returns on the Preference Shares, may not be comparable to, and may differ materially from, the performance of the Other Debt Funds.

Notwithstanding the inapplicability of the results obtained and expected to be obtained from the past activities of the Servicer, a period of increased volatility in market conditions, including interest rate environments, can have an adverse effect on the realized and unrealized returns to investors in the past products of the Servicer. There can be no assurance that current economic conditions and the effects of increased interest rate and corresponding price volatility will not adversely impact the investment returns ultimately realized by investors or continued compliance with, among other things, applicable coverage requirements described in this Offering Memorandum.

### **Relating to the Collateral Obligations**

#### *In General, the Collateral Obligations Are Subject to Various Risks*

The Collateral Obligations are subject to credit, liquidity, and interest rate risks, among others. The Eligibility Criteria and the Collateral Quality Tests have been established to address certain assumed deficiencies in payment occasioned by defaults with respect to the Collateral Obligations. If any deficiencies exceed certain modeled scenarios, however, payments or distributions on the Securities could be adversely affected. To the extent that a default occurs with respect to any Collateral Obligation securing the Notes and the Issuer (on the advice of the Servicer) sells or otherwise disposes of the Collateral Obligation, it is not likely that the proceeds of the sale or other disposition will be equal to the amount of principal and interest owing to the Issuer on the Collateral Obligation.

The value of the Collateral Obligations generally will fluctuate with, among other things, the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral Obligations and, with respect to Synthetic Securities, both the financial condition of the related Synthetic Security counterparties and the obligors on or issuers of the Reference Obligations, general economic conditions, the condition of certain financial markets, political events, developments or trends in any particular industry, and changes in prevailing interest rates.

The ability of the Issuer to sell Collateral Obligations before their maturity is subject to certain restrictions under the Indenture including those described under "Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations."

#### *Below Investment-Grade Obligations Involve Particular Risks*

A substantial amount of the Collateral Obligations will consist of loans, bonds and other obligations that are below investment grade, including high-yield loans and securities. Those Collateral Obligations will have greater credit and liquidity risk than investment-grade obligations. They are also often unsecured and may be subordinated to certain other obligations of their issuer. The lower rating of those Collateral Obligations reflects a greater possibility that adverse changes in the financial condition of an issuer or in general economic conditions or both may impair the ability of their issuer to make payments of principal or interest. These Collateral Obligations may be speculative.

Risks of below investment-grade Collateral Obligations may include (among others):

- (i) limited liquidity and secondary market support;

- (ii) in the case of fixed-rate high-yield debt securities, substantial market place volatility resulting from changes in prevailing interest rates;
- (iii) subordination to the prior claims of senior lenders and creditors;
- (iv) the operation of mandatory sinking fund or call and redemption provisions during periods of declining interest rates that could cause the Issuer to apply premature redemption proceeds in lower-yielding debt obligations;
- (v) the possibility that earnings of the below investment-grade issuer may be insufficient to meet its debt service; and
- (vi) the declining creditworthiness and potential for insolvency of a below investment-grade issuer during periods of rising interest rates and economic downturn.

An economic downturn or an increase in interest rates could severely disrupt the market for below investment-grade obligations and could adversely affect the value of outstanding below investment-grade obligations and the ability of their issuers to repay principal and interest.

Issuers that are below investment grade may be highly leveraged and may not have available to them more traditional methods of financing. The risk associated with obligations of below investment-grade issuers is generally greater than is the case with investment-grade issuers. For example, during an economic downturn or a sustained period of rising interest rates, below investment-grade issuers may be more likely to experience financial stress, especially if they are highly leveraged. During those periods, timely service of debt obligations may also be adversely affected by specific issuer developments, or the issuer's inability to meet specific projected business forecasts or the unavailability of additional financing. The risk of loss from default by the issuer is significantly greater for the holders of below investment-grade obligations because those obligations may be unsecured and may be subordinated to obligations owed to other creditors of the issuer. In addition, the Issuer may incur additional expenses to the extent it is required to seek recovery upon a default on such an obligation or participate in its restructuring.

As a result of the limited liquidity of below investment-grade obligations, their prices have at times experienced significant and rapid decline when a substantial number of holders decided to sell. In addition, the Issuer may have difficulty disposing of certain below investment-grade obligations because there may be a thin trading market for them. To the extent that a secondary trading market for below investment-grade obligations does exist, it is generally not as liquid as the secondary market for highly rated obligations. Reduced secondary market liquidity may have an adverse impact on the Issuer's ability to dispose of particular Collateral Obligations in response to a specific economic event, such as a deterioration in the creditworthiness of the issuer of the Collateral Obligation.

All risks associated with the Issuer's purchase of such Collateral Obligations will be borne by the holders of the Securities in reverse order of seniority, beginning with the Preference Shares as the most junior Class.

#### *Limitations of Portfolio Diversification*

The Indenture will require that certain levels of diversification are maintained or improved in connection with purchases of Collateral Obligations. The Collateral Obligations are expected to consist primarily of below investment grade debt obligations. To the extent that below investment grade debt obligations as an asset class generally underperform or experience increased levels of credit losses or market volatility, the Collateral Obligations will likely experience credit losses and losses in connection with sales even with significant issuer and industry diversification. In addition, given the leveraged capital structure of the Issuer, any losses resulting from defaults and/or trading losses will be borne first by the Preference Shares, as the most junior Class. Because the value of the obligations of any single issuer or industry sector will represent a higher percentage of the issuance price, as the case may be, of the Preference Shares (or any other junior Class) than it represents in relation to the aggregate principal

amount of the total portfolio, there can be no assurance that the diversification guidelines of the Indenture will be effective in minimizing losses on the junior Classes of Securities, particularly the Preference Shares.

*Loans Involve Particular Risks*

The Collateral Obligations will consist primarily of Dollar-denominated senior secured and senior unsecured loans, which are required by the Indenture to be obligations of corporations, partnerships, or other entities organized under the laws of the United States (or any of its states) or of foreign obligors meeting specified criteria, or Synthetic Securities the Reference Obligations of which are such loans. See “Security for the Notes—Collateral Obligations.”

Loans may become non-performing for a variety of reasons. Non-performing loans may require substantial workout negotiations or restructuring that may entail, among other things, a substantial reduction in the interest rate or a substantial write-down of the principal of a loan. In addition, because of the unique and customized nature of a loan agreement and the private syndication of a loan, loans typically may not be purchased or sold as easily as publicly traded securities, and historically the trading volume in the bank term loan market has been small relative to the corporate bond market. Loans may encounter trading delays due to their unique and customized nature, and transfers may require the consent of an agent bank or borrower. Consequently, there can be no assurance that there will be any market for any Loan if the Issuer is required to sell or otherwise dispose of such Loan. Depending on the terms of the underlying loan documentation, consent of the borrower may be required for an assignment, and a purported assignee may not have any direct right to enforce compliance by the obligor with the terms of the loan agreement in the absence of this consent.

The Issuer may acquire interests in loans either directly (by assignment) or indirectly (by Participation or through Synthetic Securities). The Issuer may not originate any loans. The purchaser of an assignment of a loan obligation typically succeeds to all the rights and obligations of the Participating Institution and becomes a lender under the loan or credit agreement with respect to the debt obligation. In contrast, a Participation acquired by the Issuer in a portion of a loan obligation held by a Participating Institution or a security or other debt obligation typically results in a contractual relationship only with the Participating Institution, not with the borrower. The Issuer would have the right to receive payments of principal, interest, and any fees to which it is entitled under a Participation only from the Participating Institution and only upon receipt by the Participating Institution of those payments from the borrower. Participating Institutions commonly reserve the right to administer the Participations sold by them as they see fit (unless their actions constitute gross negligence or willful misconduct) and to amend the documentation evidencing the obligations in all respects. However, most participation agreements provide that the Participating Institutions may not vote in favor of any amendment, modification or waiver that forgives principal, interest or fees, reduces principal, interest or fees that are payable, postpones any payment of principal (whether a scheduled payment or a mandatory prepayment), interest or fees or releases any material guarantee or security without the consent of the participant (at least to the extent the participant would be affected by any such amendment, modification or waiver). Participating Institutions voting in connection with a potential waiver of a restrictive covenant may have interests different from those of the Issuer, and such Participating Institutions might not consider the interests of the Issuer in connection with their votes. In addition, many participation agreements that provide voting rights to the holder of the Participation further provide that if the holder does not vote in favor of amendments, modifications or waivers, the selling lender may repurchase such Participation at par. The Issuer will be subject to restrictions on the amount of Participations that may be acquired for inclusion in the Collateral. See “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.”

Holders of Participations are subject to additional risks not applicable to a holder of a direct interest in a loan. In the event of the insolvency of the Participating Institution, under the laws of the United States and the various States thereof, a holder of a Participation may be treated as a general creditor of the Participating Institution and may not have any exclusive or senior claim with respect to the Participating Institution’s interest in, or the collateral with respect to, the loan. Consequently, the holder of a Participation will be subject to the credit risk of the Participating Institution as well as of the

borrower. Participants also often do not benefit from the collateral (if any) supporting the loans in which they have a participation interest because Participations often do not provide a purchaser with direct rights to enforce compliance by the borrower with the terms of the loan agreement or any rights of set-off against the borrower. The Servicer is not required, and does not expect, to perform independent credit analyses of the Participating Institutions.

Certain of the loans in the Issuer's portfolio may be unsecured or secured by collateral worth less than the outstanding balance of the loan. In addition to the general risks associated with loans described above, unsecured loans will not be secured by substantial collateral or any collateral and secured loans may be substantially under-secured. Without collateral and with materially inadequate collateral, the ability of the holder of the loan to recover amounts due from the borrower may be substantially limited.

*Risks Associated with Applying Proceeds of Dispositions*

The Issuer's income will decline if and when the Issuer applies the proceeds from matured, prepaid, sold or called Collateral Obligations into lower yielding instruments. A decline in income will affect the amount available for distributions on the Securities. Subject to criteria described herein, the Servicer will have discretion to use Principal Proceeds to purchase Collateral Obligations in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria and other requirements for the acquisition of Collateral Obligations described herein. The yield with respect to such Collateral Obligations will depend on, among other factors, interest rates available at the time, the availability of assets satisfying the Eligibility Criteria and acceptable to the Servicer, and market conditions related to leveraged Loans and high yield bonds in general. The need to satisfy the Eligibility Criteria and other requirements for the acquisition of Collateral Obligations described herein and identify acceptable assets may require the purchase of Collateral Obligations with a lower yield than those replaced, with different characteristics than those replaced (including, but not limited to, coupon, spread, maturity, call features and/or credit quality) or require that such funds be maintained in Eligible Investments pending such replacement of Collateral Obligations, which will further reduce the yield on the Collateral Obligations. Any decrease in the yield on the Collateral Obligations will have the effect of reducing the amounts available to make distributions on the Securities, especially the most junior Class of Securities. There can be no assurance that in the event Collateral Obligations are sold, prepaid, called, or mature, yields on Collateral Obligations that are available and eligible for purchase will be at the same levels as those replaced, that the characteristics of any Collateral Obligations purchased will be the same as those replaced or as to the timing of the purchase of any such Collateral Obligations.

Leveraged Loans and privately placed high yield bonds are not as easily (or as quickly) purchased or sold as publicly traded securities for a variety of reasons, including confidentiality requirements with respect to obligor information, the customized non-uniform nature of loan agreements and private syndication. The reduced liquidity and lower volume of trading in such debt obligations, in addition to restrictions on purchase represented by the Eligibility Criteria, could result in periods of time during which the Issuer is not able to fully apply its cash to purchase Collateral Obligations. The longer the period before the application of cash to purchase Collateral Obligations, the greater the adverse impact will be on aggregate Interest Proceeds collected and distributed by the Issuer, including on the Securities, especially the most junior Class of Securities, thereby resulting in lower yields than could have been obtained if proceeds were immediately applied. In addition, leveraged Loans are often prepayable by the borrowers with no, or limited, penalty or premium. As a result, leveraged Loans generally prepay more frequently than other corporate obligations of the same borrower. Senior leveraged Loans usually have shorter terms than more junior obligations and often require mandatory repayments from excess cash flow, asset dispositions and offerings of debt and/or equity securities. The increased levels of prepayments and amortization of leveraged Loans increase the associated replacement risk on the Collateral Obligations which risk will first be borne by holders of the Securities, beginning with the Preference Shares as the most junior Class.



*Defaults and Market Volatility*

To the extent that a default occurs with respect to any Collateral Obligation and the Issuer sells or otherwise disposes of that Collateral Obligation, it is likely that the proceeds will be less than its unpaid principal, interest or its purchase price. This could have a material adverse effect on the payments on the Securities. The Issuer also may incur additional expenses to the extent it is required to seek recovery after a default or participate in the restructuring of an obligation. Even in the absence of a default with respect to any of the Collateral Obligations, the market value of the Collateral Obligation at any time will vary, and may vary substantially, from the price at which that Collateral Obligation was initially purchased and from the principal amount of such Collateral Obligation, due to market volatility, changes in relative credit quality, general economic conditions, the level of interest rates, changes in exchange rates, the supply of below investment grade debt obligations and other factors that are difficult to predict. In addition, the Indenture places significant restrictions on the Servicer's ability to buy and sell Collateral Obligations which restrictions may be greater if amendments are made to assure compliance with Rule 3a-7. See "—The Servicer May Cause the Issuer to Amend the Indenture to Assure Compliance with Rule 3a-7 Without the Consent of the Holders of the Securities in a Manner that May Adversely Affect the Holders of Securities".

The market price of below investment grade debt obligations may from time to time experience significant volatility. During certain periods, this market has experienced significant volatility with respect to market prices, a significant increase in issues trading at distressed levels, a significant increase in default rates, and a significant decrease in recovery rates. No assurance can be given that volatility in the below investment grade debt market will not continue in the future. Such volatility can adversely impact the liquidity, market prices and other performance characteristics of leveraged Loans and high yield bonds.

*Structured Finance Obligations Involve Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of Structured Finance Obligations. Structured Finance Obligations may present risks similar to those of the other types of Collateral Obligations which the Issuer may purchase and, in fact, the risks may be of greater significance in the case of Structured Finance Obligations. Moreover, purchasing Structured Finance Obligations may entail a variety of unique risks. Among other risks, Structured Finance Obligations may be subject to prepayment risk, credit risk, liquidity risk, market risk, structural risk, legal risk and interest rate risk (which may be exacerbated if the interest rate payable on a Structured Finance Obligation changes based on multiples of changes in interest rates or inversely to changes in interest rates). In addition, certain Structured Finance Obligations (particularly subordinated collateralized bond obligations) may provide that non-payment of interest is not an event of default in certain circumstances and the holders of the securities will therefore not have available to them any associated default remedies. During the period of non-payment, unpaid interest will generally be capitalized and added to the outstanding principal balance of the related security. Furthermore, the performance of a Structured Finance Obligation will be affected by a variety of factors, including its priority in the capital structure of its issuer the availability of any credit enhancement, the level and timing of payments and recoveries on and the characteristics of the underlying receivables, loans, or other assets that are being securitized, bankruptcy remoteness of those assets from the originator or transferor, the adequacy of and ability to realize on any related collateral, and the skill of the manager or the servicer of the Structured Finance Obligation in managing or servicing securitized assets. The price of a Structured Finance Obligation, if required to be sold, may be subject to certain market and liquidity risks for securities of its type at the time of sale. In addition, Structured Finance Obligations may involve initial and ongoing expenses above the costs associated with the related direct purchases.

*Synthetic Securities Involve Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of Synthetic Securities the Reference Obligations of which are Loans, Structured Finance Obligations or High-Yield Bonds. Acquiring these types of assets through the purchase of Synthetic Securities present risks in addition to those inherently associated with direct purchases of such assets. With respect to Synthetic Securities, the Issuer will

usually have a contractual relationship only with the counterparty of the Synthetic Security, and not the reference obligor on the Reference Obligation. The Issuer will have no right to enforce compliance by the reference obligor with the Reference Obligation nor any rights of set-off against the reference obligor, nor have any voting or other consensual rights of ownership with respect to the Reference Obligation. The Issuer will not directly benefit from any collateral supporting the Reference Obligation and will not have the benefit of the remedies that would normally be available to a holder of the Reference Obligation.

In addition, in the event of the insolvency of the Synthetic Security Counterparty, the Issuer will be treated as a general creditor of the counterparty and will not have any claim of title with respect to the Reference Obligation. Consequently, the Issuer will be subject to the credit risk of the counterparty as well as that of the reference obligor and concentrations of Synthetic Securities entered into with any one counterparty will subject the Securities to an additional degree of risk with respect to defaults by that counterparty. One or more Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser may act as counterparty with respect to all or a portion of the Synthetic Securities, which relationship may create certain conflicts of interest. See “—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Initial Purchaser” below. In addition, Synthetic Securities may involve initial and ongoing expenses above the costs associated with the related direct acquisitions. The Issuer will be subject to restrictions on the amount of Synthetic Securities it may own at any one time.

*Some of the Collateral Obligations Will Be Illiquid*

Some of the Collateral Obligations purchased by the Issuer will have no, or only a limited, trading market. The Issuer’s acquisition of illiquid Collateral Obligations may restrict its ability to dispose of Collateral Obligations in a timely fashion and for a fair price, as well as its ability to take advantage of market opportunities, although the Issuer is generally prohibited by the Indenture from selling Collateral Obligations except under certain limited circumstances described under “Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations.” Illiquid Collateral Obligations may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid assets. The market for below investment grade debt obligations may become illiquid from time to time as a result of adverse market conditions, regulatory developments or other circumstances. In addition, the Issuer may purchase privately placed Collateral Obligations that may or may not be freely transferable under the laws of the applicable jurisdiction or due to contractual restrictions on resale, and even if those privately placed Collateral Obligations are transferable, the prices realized from their sale could be less than those originally paid by the Issuer or less than what may be considered their fair value.

*Insolvency Considerations With Respect to Issuers of Collateral Obligations May Affect the Issuer’s Rights*

Various laws enacted for the protection of creditors may apply to the Collateral Obligations. If, in a lawsuit brought by a creditor or representative of creditors of an obligor under a Collateral Obligation (such as a trustee in bankruptcy), a court were to find that the obligor did not receive fair consideration or reasonably equivalent value for incurring the indebtedness evidenced by the Collateral Obligation and, after giving effect to the indebtedness and the use of the proceeds thereof, the obligor (i) was insolvent, (ii) was engaged in a business for which the remaining assets of the obligor constituted unreasonably small capital or (iii) intended to incur, or believed that it would incur, debts beyond its ability to pay them as they mature, the court could determine to invalidate, in whole or in part, the indebtedness as a fraudulent conveyance, to subordinate the indebtedness to existing or future creditors of the obligor, or to recover amounts previously paid by the obligor in satisfaction of the indebtedness. There can be no assurance as to what standard a court would apply to determine whether the obligor was “insolvent” or that, regardless of the method of valuation, a court would not determine that the obligor was “insolvent,” in each case, after giving effect to the incurrence of the Collateral Obligation and the use of its proceeds. In addition, in the event of the insolvency of an obligor under a Collateral Obligation, payments made on the Collateral Obligation may be subject to avoidance as a “preference” if made within a certain period before insolvency (which may be as long as approximately one year).

In general, if payments on a Collateral Obligation are avoidable, whether as fraudulent conveyances or preferences, the payments can be recaptured either from the initial recipient (such as the Issuer) or from subsequent transferees of the payments (such as the Holders of the Securities). To the extent that any payments are recaptured from the Issuer, the resulting reduction in payments on the Securities will be borne by the Holders of the Securities beginning with the Preference Shares as the most junior Class of Securities. A court in a bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding would be able to direct the recapture of any payment from a Holder of the Securities to the extent that the court has jurisdiction over the Holder or its assets. Since there is no judicial precedent relating to structured securities such as the Securities, there can be no assurance that a Holder of Securities will be able to avoid recapture on this basis.

The preceding discussion is based on principles of United States federal and state laws. Insofar as Collateral Obligations that are obligations of non-United States obligors are concerned, the laws of certain foreign jurisdictions may provide for avoidance remedies under factual circumstances similar to, or broader or narrower than, those described above, with consequences that may or may not be analogous to those described above under United States federal and state laws.

Collateral Obligations consisting of obligations of non-U.S. issuers may be subject to various laws enacted in their home countries for the protection of debtors or creditors, which could adversely affect the Issuer's ability to recover amounts owed. These insolvency considerations will differ depending on the country in which each issuer is located and may differ depending on whether the issuer is a non-sovereign or a sovereign entity.

#### *International Collateral Obligations Involve Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of obligations of obligors Domiciled outside the United States. Acquiring assets outside the United States may involve greater risks than acquiring assets in the United States. These risks may include: less publicly available information; varying levels of governmental regulation and supervision; and the difficulty of enforcing legal rights in a foreign jurisdiction and uncertainties as to the status, interpretation and application of laws. Moreover, foreign companies may be subject to accounting, auditing, and financial reporting standards, practices, and requirements different from those applicable to U.S. companies.

There generally is less governmental supervision and regulation of exchanges, brokers and issuers in foreign countries than there is in the United States. For example, there may be no comparable provisions under certain foreign laws with respect to insider trading and similar investor protection securities laws that apply with respect to securities transactions consummated in the United States.

Foreign markets also have different clearance and settlement procedures, and in certain markets there have been times when settlements have failed to keep pace with the volume of securities transactions, making it difficult to conduct transactions. Delays in settlement could result in periods when assets of the Issuer are unapplied and no return is earned on them. The inability of the Issuer to make intended purchases of Collateral Obligations due to settlement problems or the risk of intermediary counterparty failures could cause the Issuer to miss opportunities to acquire Collateral Obligations. The inability to dispose of a Collateral Obligation due to settlement problems could result either in losses to the Issuer due to subsequent declines in the value of the Collateral Obligation or, if the Issuer has entered into a contract to sell the security, could result in possible liability to the purchaser. Transaction costs of buying and selling foreign securities, including brokerage, tax, and custody costs, also are generally higher than those involved in domestic transactions. Furthermore, foreign financial markets, while generally growing in volume, have, for the most part, substantially less volume than U.S. markets, and securities of many foreign companies are less liquid and their prices more volatile than securities of comparable domestic companies.

In certain foreign countries there is the possibility of expropriation, nationalization, or confiscatory taxation; limitations on the convertibility of currency or the removal of securities, property, or other assets of the Issuer; political, economic, or social instability; or adverse diplomatic developments,

each of which could have an adverse effect on the Issuer's purchase of Collateral Obligations in the foreign countries (which may make it more difficult to pay Dollar-denominated obligations such as the Collateral Obligations). The economies of individual non-U.S. countries may also differ favorably or unfavorably from the U.S. economy in such respects as growth of gross domestic product, rate of inflation, volatility of currency exchange rates, depreciation, capital reinvestment, resource self-sufficiency and balance of payments position.

*Lender Liability Considerations and Equitable Subordination Can Affect the Issuer's Rights with Respect to Collateral Obligations*

In recent years, a number of judicial decisions in the United States have upheld the right of borrowers to sue lenders and bondholders on the basis of various evolving legal theories (collectively termed "**lender liability**"). Generally, lender liability is founded on the premise that a lender has violated a duty (whether implied or contractual) of good faith and fair dealing owed to the debtor or has assumed a degree of control over the debtor resulting in the creation of a fiduciary duty owed to the debtor or its other creditors or shareholders. Because of the nature of the Collateral Obligations, the Issuer may be subject to allegations of lender liability. In addition, under common law principles that in some cases form the basis for lender liability claims, a court may elect to subordinate the claim of the offending lender to the claims of the disadvantaged creditors, a remedy called "equitable subordination," if a lender: (i) intentionally takes an action that results in the undercapitalization of a borrower to the detriment of other creditors of the borrower; (ii) engages in other inequitable conduct to the detriment of the other creditors; (iii) engages in fraud with respect to, or makes misrepresentations to, the other creditors; or (iv) uses its influence as a lender to dominate or control a borrower to the detriment of other creditors of the borrower.

Because the Collateral Obligations are primarily Loans, the Issuer may be subject to claims from creditors of an obligor that Collateral Obligations issued by the obligor that are held by the Issuer should be equitably subordinated. However, the Servicer does not intend to engage in conduct that would form the basis for a successful cause of action based on lender liability or the equitable subordination doctrine. Nonetheless, no assurances can be given that actions taken in good faith by the Servicer will not result in losses to issuers of Collateral Obligations, and that the Issuer will not be liable for any such losses. Furthermore, the Issuer and the Servicer may be unable to control the conduct of lenders under a loan syndication agreement requiring less than a unanimous vote, yet the Issuer may be subject to lender liability or equitable subordination for such conduct.

The preceding discussion is based on principles of United States federal and state laws. Insofar as Collateral Obligations that are obligations of non-United States obligors are concerned, the laws of certain foreign jurisdictions may impose liability on lenders or bondholders under factual circumstances similar to, or broader or narrower than, those described above, with consequences that may or may not be analogous to those described above under United States federal and state laws.

*Notes May Be Affected by Interest Rate Risks, Including Mismatches Between the Notes and the Collateral Obligations*

The Notes bear interest at a rate based on LIBOR as determined on the second Business Day prior to the first day of the relevant Interest Period. The Collateral Obligations will consist primarily of obligations that bear interest at floating rates, which floating rates may be different than the floating rates on the Floating Rate Notes. Accordingly, the Notes are subject to interest rate risk to the extent that there is an interest rate mismatch between the rates at which interest accrues on the Notes and the rates at which interest accrues on the Collateral. In addition, there may be a timing mismatch between the Floating Rate Notes and the Floating Rate Obligations as the interest on the Floating Rate Obligations may adjust more or less frequently, on different dates and based on different indices than the interest rates on the Floating Rate Notes. Furthermore, any payments of principal of or interest on Collateral received during a Due Period will (except to a limited extent specified in the Indenture) be held in Eligible Investments maturing not later than the Business Day immediately preceding the next Payment Date. There is no requirement that Eligible Investments bear interest at LIBOR or a similar rate, and the interest rates available for

Eligible Investments are inherently uncertain. As a result of these mismatches, an increase or decrease in LIBOR for the relevant maturity could adversely affect the ability of the Issuer to make interest payments on the Notes (including due to a rise or a decline in the value of previously issued Collateral Obligations or other Collateral that bear interest at a fixed rate as LIBOR decreases or increases, as applicable) and to make distributions or final distributions on the Preference Shares. To mitigate a portion of the interest rate mismatch, the Issuer may enter into Hedge Agreements that are (in the case of Hedge Agreements entered into on or after the Closing Date) subject to a Rating Confirmation. However, there can be no assurance that the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, together with the Hedge Agreements, will in all circumstances generate sufficient Interest Proceeds to make timely payments of interest on the Notes. Moreover, the benefits of any Hedge Agreements may not be achieved in the event of the early termination of the Hedge Agreements, including termination upon the failure of the related Hedge Counterparty to perform its obligations under the Hedge Agreement. Although any Hedge Counterparty will be a highly rated institution at the time of entering into the applicable Hedge Agreement, there can be no assurance that it will meet its obligations under the applicable Hedge Agreement. In addition, the actual principal balance of any rate mismatch between the Collateral Obligations and the Notes may not exactly match the notional balance under any Hedge Agreement. All risks associated with any rate or notional balance mismatch will be borne by the holders of the Securities, beginning with the Preference Shares as the most junior Class. See “Security for the Notes—Hedge Agreements.”

The Servicer may direct the Issuer to reduce the notional amount of, or otherwise adjust the terms of, any Hedge Agreement outstanding at any time, subject, in the case of any reduction or adjustment made on or after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, to obtaining a Rating Confirmation.

*Changes in Tax Law Could Result in the Imposition of Withholding Taxes with Respect to Payments on the Collateral Obligations, and the Obligors on the Collateral Obligations will not Gross-Up Payments to the Issuers*

The Issuer expects that payments received on the Hedge Agreements, and generally on the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, will not be subject to withholding taxes imposed by the United States or reduced by withholding taxes imposed by any other country from which such payments are sourced unless the obligor is required to make “gross-up” payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding taxes. In the case of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments issued by U.S. obligors after July 18, 1984 that are in registered form, payments thereon generally are exempt under current United States tax law from the imposition of United States withholding tax. See “Material Income Tax Considerations—United States Federal Taxation of the Issuer.” However, there can be no assurance that, as a result of any change in any applicable law, treaty, rule or regulation or interpretation thereof, the payments on the Hedge Agreements, Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments would not in the future become subject to withholding taxes imposed by the United States of America or another jurisdiction. In that event, if the obligors of such Hedge Agreements, Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments were not then required to make “gross-up” payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding taxes, the amounts available to make payments on, or distributions to, the holders of the Notes would accordingly be reduced. There can be no assurance that remaining payments on the Collateral would be sufficient to make timely payments of interest on and payment of principal at the stated maturity of each Class of the Notes or distributions on the Preference Shares.

In the event that any withholding tax is imposed on payments on, or distributions to, the holders of the Securities as a result of any change in any applicable law, treaty, rule or regulation or interpretation thereof, the holders of the Securities will not be entitled to receive “grossed-up” amounts to compensate for such withholding tax.

Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, the Notes shall be redeemable at the applicable Redemption Price, in whole, but not in part, by the Issuer at the written direction of the applicable Required Redemption Percentage, as described under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

An investment in the Securities involves complex tax issues (particularly in respect of the subordinated Securities), and delays in distributing important tax information may occur. Investors

should consult their own tax advisors before investing in the Securities. See “Material Income Tax Considerations” herein.

*The Issuer Has the Right to Engage in Securities Lending, which Involves Counterparty Risks and Other Risks*

The Collateral Obligations may be loaned for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) that have, or are guaranteed by entities that have, long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or a guarantor with those ratings at the time of the loan, of at least “A1” (and not “A1” but on credit watch with negative implications) and “P-1” (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody’s and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least “A” from S&P. See “Security for the Notes—Securities Lending.” The loans must be secured by cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America, in an amount at least equal to 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value of the loaned Collateral Obligations, determined on a daily basis. However, if the borrower of a loaned Collateral Obligation defaults on its obligation to return the loaned Collateral Obligation because of insolvency or otherwise, the Issuer could experience delays and costs in gaining access to the collateral posted by the borrower (and in extreme circumstances could be restricted from selling the collateral). If the borrower defaults, the Issuer could suffer a loss to the extent that the realized value of the cash or securities securing the obligation of the borrower to return a loaned Collateral Obligation (less expenses) is less than the amount required to purchase the Collateral Obligation in the open market. This shortfall could be due to, among other factors, discrepancies between the mark-to-market and actual transaction prices for the loaned Collateral Obligations arising from limited liquidity or availability of the loaned Collateral Obligations and, in extreme circumstances, the loaned Collateral Obligations being unavailable at any price.

The Rating Agencies may downgrade any of the Notes if a borrower of a Collateral Obligation or, if applicable, the entity guaranteeing the performance of the borrower has been downgraded by one of the Rating Agencies such that the Issuer is not in compliance with the Securities Lending Counterparty rating requirements. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser or Affiliates of the Servicer, which may create certain conflicts of interest. See “—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer” and “—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Initial Purchaser” below.

*A Substantial Amount of Collateral Obligations Was Acquired Before the Closing Date, and the Terms of the Acquisition May Adversely Affect the Issuer*

In anticipation of the issuance of the Securities, one or more Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser (the “Pre-Closing Parties”) are financing the acquisition of Collateral Obligations by the Issuer pursuant to confirmations entered into by or on behalf of the Issuer confirming the Issuer’s commitment to purchase such Collateral Obligations during an accumulation period before the Closing Date (the “**Accumulation Period**”). Pursuant to a master participation agreement, such Pre-Closing Parties have acquired (and will acquire) from the Issuer at the time of the Collateral Obligation purchase, a 100% participation interest in each such loan, which participation will be repurchased by the Issuer on the Closing Date at an amount equal to the purchase price minus any distributions of principal on the obligation received by the respective Pre-Closing Party. In consideration for providing financing for the obligations, the Pre-Closing Parties will be paid a financing fee out of interest and any fees and commissions paid by the obligors under such obligations or accrued on such obligations, from the time of purchase through the Closing Date. In addition, in preparation for the closing, one or more Pre-Closing Parties may acquire Collateral Obligations pursuant to confirmations entered into by or on behalf of the Issuer confirming the Issuer’s commitment to purchase such Collateral Obligations on the Closing Date at the purchase prices set forth therein, plus the amount of accrued interest thereon in accordance with their terms through the Closing Date. Furthermore, in return for bearing the risk of loss on the Collateral Obligations acquired prior to the Closing Date, the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates will be entitled to retain all interest and any fees and commissions (net of any financing fees payable to the Pre-Closing Parties) paid by the obligors under such obligations or accrued on such obligations, from the time of purchase through the Closing Date. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the market value of any

such Collateral Obligation on the Closing Date will be equal to or greater than the price paid by the Issuer, and any net losses, as well as net gains, experienced in respect of any such Collateral Obligation during the period in which they were warehoused will be for the Issuer's account.

### **Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest**

#### *In General, the Transaction Will Involve Various Potential and Actual Conflicts of Interest*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise from the overall servicing, advisory and other activities of the Servicer and its Affiliates and from the conduct by the Initial Purchaser and their respective Affiliates of other transactions with the Issuer, including acting as counterparty with respect to Hedge Agreements, Securities Lending Agreements, and Synthetic Securities. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

#### *The Holders of the Class II Preference Shares Control Appointment and Removal of Directors of the Issuer*

HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase all of Class II Preference Shares on the Closing Date. Class II Preference Shares will have total control with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer as long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is higher than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date; *provided* that the holders of the Class II Preference Shares may not vote to remove less than all of the directors of the Issuers. The Class I Preference Shares will have no voting rights with respect to the appointment or removal of directors. As of the Closing Date, the Class II Preference Shares Outstanding will constitute a Majority of the Preference Shares Outstanding. HFP and/or its subsidiaries that purchase Class II Preference Shares will agree not to transfer any of the Class II Preference Shares to any Person other than Investors Corp. Any transfer of Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to Investors Corp. will require redesignation by the Share Registrar of such Class II Preference Shares as Class I Preference Shares. If at any time, due to such redesignation upon sale of any Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to Investors Corp., the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding is reduced so that it is equal to or lower than the number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding, Class II Preference Shares will automatically become non-voting shares and will no longer be entitled to vote with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer (and, in such case, the directors will be appointed in accordance with the definition of "Board of Directors").

As long as Class II Preference Shares retain the voting rights with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer, HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries that have purchased such Class II Preference Shares will be able to appoint and remove any of the directors. The directors appointed by HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries may be Affiliates of HFP or the Servicer. No other Holders of the Securities will have any right to vote with respect to such appointments and removals of directors of the Issuer.

#### *The Holders of the Class II Preference Shares May Control or Prevent Removal of the Servicer, Appointment of a Replacement Servicer and Optional Redemption or Refinancing of the Notes*

The Class II Preference Shares to be purchased by HFP or any of its subsidiaries at closing are expected to constitute a Majority of the Preference Shares. As such, and absent any express exclusion, so long as HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries maintain their position in such Preference Shares, HFP and such subsidiaries, as applicable, will hold the controlling vote on any decision that requires a Majority of the Preference Shares and will hold a blocking position with respect to any decision that requires a higher percentage of Preference Shares.

Pursuant to the Servicing Agreement, such agreement may be terminated and the Servicer may be removed by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee (acting at the direction of a Super Majority of the

Controlling Class of Notes) or by a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding Preference Shares held by the Servicer, any of its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (or, with respect to Class I Preference Shares held by Investors Corp. at such time, Holding Preference Shares held by the Servicer, any of its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority) other than, with respect to the Class II Preference Shares, HFP or any of its subsidiaries; *provided* that, with respect to the voting authority of the Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the “independent directors” (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by any of the “independent directors” of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) (each such non-excluded Preference Share, a “**Voting Preference Share**”), in each case for “cause” upon 10 days’ prior written notice. Further, the Issuer’s ability to appoint a successor servicer is subject to, among other things, the written direction of a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares. As such, if the Class II Preference Shares continue to constitute a Majority of Preference Shares, HFP and any of its subsidiaries that hold Class II Preference Shares will collectively control the ability of the Holders of the Preference Shares to both remove the Servicer for “cause” and appoint the Servicer’s replacement. Since HFP is managed by the Servicer, HFP may have a conflict of interest and may be less likely to exercise these rights than the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares. In such case, should the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares believe that “cause” exists to remove the Servicer, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may prevent their ability to do so.

The Holders of a Majority of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares may give written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Servicer directing an optional redemption of the Notes upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period. After such Notes are retired, the Holders of a Majority or of all of the Preference Shares (depending on the form of redemption) may effect an optional redemption of the Preference Shares. As a result of the foregoing, and so long as they hold a controlling block of Preference Shares, the vote of HFP and/or its applicable subsidiaries will be required to redeem the Securities. As an entity managed by the Servicer, HFP may once again have interests that differ from those of the Class I Preference Shares. Should the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares seek to redeem the Securities, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may prevent their ability to do so.

In addition, at any time after the Non-Call Period, upon a proposal by the Servicer, the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares may consent to a redemption of any Class of Notes pursuant to a Refinancing. As a result of the foregoing, and so long as they hold a controlling block of Preference Shares, the vote of HFP and/or its applicable subsidiaries will be required for such Refinancing. If the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares seek a redemption of Notes pursuant to Refinancing, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares could prevent their ability to achieve this.

*The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise from the overall activities of the Servicer, its Affiliates and the subsidiaries of HFP. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

On the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares directly from the Issuer at a discounted purchase price and (ii) the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates (other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries) are expected to purchase certain of the Class D Notes directly from the Issuer at a discounted purchase price and are expected to purchase certain of the Holding Preference Shares directly from Investors Corp., at a discounted purchase price. The Initial Purchaser will not be acting as Initial Purchaser with respect to such Class II Preference Shares or other Securities purchased by HFP or any of HFP’s subsidiaries or the Servicer or any of its Affiliates, as applicable. On the Closing Date, the Servicer will be reimbursed by the Issuer for certain of its expenses incurred in connection with the organization of the Issuer (including legal fees and expenses). In addition, a broker-dealer Affiliate of the Servicer may receive a fee for placing certain of the Holding Preference Shares and/or certain of the Securities.



Conflicts of interest may arise for the Servicer with respect to its obligations to the Issuer from the overall activities of the Servicer, its Affiliates and the subsidiaries of HFP, for the accounts of its other clients. For example, the Servicer, its Affiliates and their respective clients and the subsidiaries of HFP may acquire loans, securities, and other obligations that would be appropriate for inclusion in the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations, as well as in loans, securities, and other obligations that are senior to, or have interests different from or adverse to, assets that are pledged to secure the Notes. Furthermore, Affiliates of the Servicer may serve as general partners or managers of special-purpose entities organized to issue other collateralized loan obligations ("CLOs") secured primarily by corporate loans and collateralized debt obligations ("CDOs") secured by corporate debt obligations or asset backed securities. The Servicer and its Affiliates may also have ongoing relationships with, render services to, or engage in transactions with, companies whose loan obligations or securities are pledged to secure the Notes and may now or in the future own (as portfolio assets or otherwise) loan obligations or equity or debt securities issued by issuers of or obligors on, Collateral Obligations or other Collateral. An Affiliate of the Servicer may earn fees with respect to financial advisory services rendered to companies in connection with workouts or the subsequent restructuring of such companies. Such fees and advice may continue for a period of time after any such workout or restructure. The Issuer may own an interest in the securities of such companies. The Servicer will endeavor to resolve conflicts with respect to opportunities in a manner that it deems equitable to the extent possible under the prevailing facts and circumstances.

The Servicer and its Affiliates may possess information relating to issuers of Collateral Obligations or other Collateral that (i) may constrain the Issuer's asset acquisition as a consequence of the Servicer's inability to use such information for asset acquisition purposes or otherwise to take actions that would be in the best of interests of the Issuer or (ii) is not known to the employees of the Servicer responsible for monitoring the Collateral and performing the other obligations of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement. The Servicer, its Affiliates and their respective clients and the subsidiaries of HFP may at certain times be simultaneously seeking to purchase or dispose of assets for the respective accounts of the Issuer, any similar entity for which it serves as manager or advisor, and for its clients or Affiliates.

Neither the Servicer nor any of its Affiliates has any affirmative obligation to offer any assets to the Issuer or to inform the Issuer of any assets before offering any assets to other funds or accounts that the Servicer or any of its Affiliates manage or service. Furthermore, the Servicer may be bound by affirmative obligations in the future, whereby the Servicer is obligated to offer certain assets to funds or accounts that it manages or services before or without the Servicer offering those assets to the Issuer.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Servicer such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Servicer, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the United States Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended (the "**Advisers Act**"). The Servicing Agreement also provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Servicer, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Advisers Act.

The Servicer currently serves as the servicer or portfolio manager for a number of special purpose vehicles that have issued securities secured by or referencing collateral consisting of assets similar to the Collateral Obligations, which may create conflicts in allocating its time and services among the Issuer and

the Servicer's other accounts. The Servicer and its Affiliates and the subsidiaries of HFP may own equity or other securities of issuers of or obligors on Collateral Obligations or other Collateral and may have provided and may provide in the future, advisory and other services to issuers of Collateral. In addition, the Servicer and its Affiliates may act as the Securities Lending Counterparty under any Securities Lending Agreement entered into by the Issuer.

The Servicer may resign at any time and may be removed for cause by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee (acting at the direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes) or by a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares. Upon the resignation or removal of the Servicer, the Issuer, at the written direction of a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares, may appoint a replacement servicer if (x) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes held by the Servicer, its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries; *provided that*, with respect to the voting authority of Notes owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) (each such non-excluded Note, a "**Voting Note**") or (y) a Majority of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single Class) do not object to the replacement servicer. See "The Servicing Agreement." Securities (or, with respect to Preference Shares held by Investors Corp. at such time, Holding Preference Shares) held by the Servicer, its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries) will have no voting rights with respect to any vote in connection with removal of the Servicer for "cause" and will be deemed not to be outstanding in connection with any vote to remove the Servicer for "cause" and to appoint a replacement servicer; *provided that*, with respect to the voting authority of Class II Preference Shares or Notes owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall be determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiary) of HFP or such subsidiary. Except to the extent specified otherwise, Securities (or, with respect to Preference Shares held by Investors Corp. at such time, Holding Preference Shares) held by the Servicer, its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority at the time of such vote will have voting rights with respect to all other matters as to which the Holders of the Securities are entitled to vote, including any vote to direct an Optional Redemption or a Refinancing. See "The Servicing Agreement", "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption" and "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Redemption by Refinancing."

On the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase Class II Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$75,000,000 at a discounted purchase price and (ii) the Servicer or its Affiliates are expected to purchase Class D Notes having an aggregate principal amount equal to U.S.\$16,000,000 at a discounted purchase price and Holding Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$20,000,000 at a discounted purchase price. In addition, the Servicer or its Affiliates may also acquire Securities upon the occurrence of an Amendment Buy-Out or a Maturity Extension or Notes upon the occurrence of a Refinancing as described herein. The Servicer has also agreed with one or more Multiple Class Holders to purchase, at the option of each such Multiple Class Holder, Securities (or Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be) held or, in the case of Notes represented by Global Notes, beneficially owned by such Multiple Class Holder in connection with an Amendment Buy-Out or Refinancing, if such Securities (or Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be) are not subject to such Amendment Buy-Out or Refinancing and other Securities (or Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be) held or beneficially owned by such Multiple Class Holder are subject to such Amendment Buy-Out or Refinancing. To the extent that the interests of the Holders of the Notes differ from the interests of the Holders of the Preference Shares, the holding of Preference Shares by the Servicer or its Affiliates may create additional conflicts of interest.

The Servicer will be entitled to receive the Senior Servicing Fee, the Subordinate Servicing Fee and the Supplemental Servicing Fee, as further described herein. The structure of such fees may cause the Servicer to direct the Issuer to purchase more speculative Collateral Obligations than it would

otherwise acquire in the absence of such performance based compensation. See “The Servicing Agreement.”

In addition to acting as Servicer to the Issuer, Highland Capital will act as manager for HFP, which will, on the Closing Date, purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares. Because Highland Capital will receive both a Servicing Fee from the Issuer for servicing the Collateral and a management fee from HFP for managing HFP’s assets, which will include the Class II Preference Shares (and therefore a residual interest in the Collateral), Highland Capital has agreed, in connection with the capital raising of Highland Financial Trust, to waive a portion of its Servicing Fees from the Issuer for two years following the Closing Date so as not to reduce the income realized by HFP or any of its subsidiaries that hold Class II Preference Shares, as the case may be, in respect of such Class II Preference Shares. Thereafter Highland Capital may at its discretion continue to waive such portion of its Servicing Fees or may elect to receive such Servicing Fees in their entirety. Accordingly, during the first two years following the Closing Date, an amount equal to a portion (representing the percentage ownership of the Preference Shares represented by the Class II Preference Shares) of the amounts that would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as a Servicing Fee will instead be payable as a special payment to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Thereafter, the Servicer may elect to continue to waive such same portion of the amounts that would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as a Servicing Fee, or any lesser portion of such amounts, and an amount equal to such waived amounts will be paid as a special payment to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares. The Class II Preference Shares and the Class I Preference Shares will vote together as a single class. Receipt of Servicing Fees in the form of dividends on Class II Preference Shares may cause HFP to have different incentives from the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares.

*The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Initial Purchaser*

The Initial Purchaser or its Affiliates may own positions in and will likely have placed or underwritten certain of the Collateral Obligations (or other obligations of the issuers of Collateral Obligations) when they were originally issued and may have provided or be providing investment banking, asset management, commercial banking or other services to issuers of certain Collateral Obligations. It is expected that from time to time the Servicer will purchase from or sell Collateral Obligations through or to the Initial Purchaser or its Affiliates (including a significant portion of the Collateral Obligations to be purchased on or prior to the Closing Date) and that one or more Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser may act as counterparty with respect to all or a portion of the Synthetic Securities, the Participating Institution with respect to Participations, a counterparty under a Hedge Agreement and/or a counterparty with respect to securities lending transactions (if any). The Initial Purchaser and its Affiliates may act as placement agent and/or initial purchaser in other transactions involving issues of collateralized debt obligations or other investment funds with assets similar to those of the Issuer, which may have an adverse effect on the availability of collateral for the Issuer.

The Trustee, the Initial Purchaser or any Hedge Counterparty or any of their respective Affiliates or employees may purchase the Securities (either upon initial issuance or through secondary transfers) or exercise any Voting Rights to which such Securities are entitled. The Initial Purchaser is acting as initial purchaser with respect to a portion of the Holding Preference Shares. The Initial Purchaser or its Affiliates shall also provide financing to the Servicer or its Affiliates in connection with their purchase of Class II Preference Shares which will be secured by a lien on such financed Class II Preference Shares.

In addition to the foregoing activities, the Initial Purchaser or one of its Affiliates holds equity securities of HFT issued in connection HFT’s acquisition of the limited partnership interests in HFP and acted as a co-manager in connection with the offering of such equity securities.

The Issuer’s purchase of Collateral Obligations prior to the Closing Date was financed in part through the sale of participation interests therein to Pre-Closing Parties. A portion of the proceeds from the offering of the Securities will be paid to the Pre-Closing Parties to repurchase such participation interests.

The Initial Purchaser and its Affiliates may, by virtue of the relationships described above or otherwise, at the date hereof or at any time hereafter, be in possession of information regarding certain of the issuers of Collateral Obligations and their respective Affiliates, that is or may be material in the context of the Securities and that is or may not be known to the general public. None of the Initial Purchaser or any of its Affiliates has any obligation, and the offering of the Securities will not create any obligation on their part, to disclose to any purchaser of the Securities any such relationship or information, whether or not confidential.

## DESCRIPTION OF THE SECURITIES

The Notes will be issued pursuant to the Indenture. The terms of the Preference Shares are contained in the Issuer Charter and in certain resolutions adopted by the Issuer's Board of Directors on or before the Closing Date authorizing and approving the issuance of the Securities, as reflected in the minutes thereof (the "**Resolutions**" and, together with the Issuer Charter and the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the "**Preference Share Documents**"). The following summary describes certain provisions of the Notes, the Preference Shares, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. Copies of the Indenture may be obtained by prospective purchasers upon request in writing to the Trustee at 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code: EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116 Attention: CDO Services Group, and will be available at the office of AIB International Financial Services Ltd. (in such capacity, the "**Irish Paying Agent**") in the City of Dublin. Copies of the Preference Share Documents may be obtained upon request in writing to the Administrator at P.O. Box 1234, Queensgate House, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, Attention: the Directors—Grayson CLO, Ltd.

### Status and Security

The Senior Notes are non-recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuers. The Class D Notes are non-recourse debt obligations of the Issuer. Each Note within a Class will rank *pari passu* with all other Notes of that Class. Under the Indenture, the Issuer will grant to the Trustee a first-priority security interest in the Collateral to secure the Issuer's obligations under the Indenture, the Notes, Hedge Agreements and the Servicing Agreement (collectively, the "**Secured Obligations**"). The Notes are payable solely from amounts received in respect of the Collateral pledged by the Issuer to secure the Notes. If the amounts received in respect of the Collateral (net of certain expenses) are insufficient to make payments on the Secured Obligations, in accordance with the Priority of Payments, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and, following liquidation of all the Collateral, the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, to pay the deficiency will be extinguished.

The Preference Shares are entitled to proceeds of the Collateral only to the extent that any such proceeds are remaining on any Payment Date after payment of all interest and principal payable on each Class of Notes on that Payment Date and the satisfaction of certain other amounts payable in accordance with the Priority of Payments. In addition, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares will be entitled, as and to the extent set forth herein, to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments pursuant to the priority provided in the Priority of Payments.

In furtherance of the priorities of payments among the Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares, the Indenture contains express subordination provisions pursuant to which the Holders of each Class of Notes that is a Junior Class as described below agree for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class that the Junior Class shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes of each Priority Class to the extent and in the manner provided in the Indenture.

If any Event of Default has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs under and in accordance with the Indenture, each Priority Class of Notes shall be paid in full in cash or, to the extent a Majority of each Class consents, other than in cash, before any further payment or distribution is made on account of any Junior Class of Notes with respect to the Priority Class. The Holders of each Junior Class of Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for failure to pay to them amounts due to the Junior Class, of the Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or under the Indenture until the payment in full of the Priority Classes or all the Classes, as the case may be and not before one year and a day, or if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, has elapsed since the payment.

For purposes of this provision, with respect to each Class of Notes, the Classes of Notes that are Priority Classes and Junior Classes are as follows:

Class	Junior Classes	Priority Classes
A-1a	A-1b, A-2, B, C, D, Preference Shares*	None
A-1b	A-2, B, C, D, Preference Shares*	A-1a
A-2	B, C, D, Preference Shares*	A-1
B	C, D, Preference Shares*	A-1, A-2
C	D, Preference Shares*	A-1, A-2, B
D	Preference Shares*	A-1, A-2, B, C
Preference Shares	None**	A-1, A-2, B, C, D

\*Other than with respect to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, which may be payable to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as set forth herein and will have priority to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

\*\*The Preference Shares will be entitled to certain residual cash flow after payment of senior obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

If, notwithstanding the provisions of the Indenture, any Holder of Notes of any Junior Class has received any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes contrary to the provisions of the Indenture, then, until each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class of Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or, to the extent a Majority of the Priority Class or the Class, as the case may be, consents, other than in cash in accordance with the Indenture, the payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, which shall pay and deliver the same to the Holders of the applicable Priority Classes of Notes or the Holders of all Classes of Notes, as the case may be. If any such payment or distribution is made other than in cash, it shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and subject in all respects to the Indenture.

Each Holder of Notes of any Junior Class agrees with all Holders of the applicable Priority Classes that the Holder of Junior Class Notes shall not demand, accept, or receive any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes in violation of the Indenture. After a Priority Class has been paid in full, the Holders of Notes of the related Junior Class or Classes shall be fully subrogated to the rights of the Holders of the Priority Class. Nothing in these provisions shall affect the obligation of the Issuer to pay Holders of any Junior Class of Notes.

Distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares are subordinate to distributions on the Notes as described in the Priority of Payments (other than, as and to the extent set forth herein, with respect to distribution of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments).

The Servicing Fees shall have priority only to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

#### **Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Preference Shares from Interest Proceeds**

The Notes of each Class will accrue interest during each Interest Period on their Aggregate Outstanding Amount (determined as of the first day of the Interest Period and after giving effect to any redemption or other payment of principal occurring on that day) at the applicable per annum interest rates for each such Class (the “**Note Interest Rate**”) equal to LIBOR for Eurodollar deposits for the applicable Interest Period *plus* the spread, as specified above under “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.” Interest accrued on the Notes shall be calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in the applicable Interest Period *divided by* 360. Payment of interest on each Class of Notes shall

be subordinated to the payments of interest on the related Priority Classes and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of Deferred Interest in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered “payable” for the purposes of the Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for the Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest), until paid.

Interest shall cease to accrue on each Note, or in the case of a partial repayment, on the part repaid, from the date of repayment or its Stated Maturity unless payment of principal is improperly withheld or unless there is some other default with respect to the payments of principal.

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares, pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Interest Proceeds as described under clauses (22) and (24) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

In addition, on each Payment Date during the first two years following the Closing Date, Holders of the Class II Preference Shares will be entitled to distributions, on a *pro rata* basis, from the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account, equal to the Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment, the Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment and the Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment (if any) (collectively, the “**Class II Preference Share Special Payments**”). After the two-year anniversary of the Closing Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Issuer as the Class II Preference Share Special Payments. Any payments to the Holders of Class II Preference Shares of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments will have priority to the extent provided under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

For purposes of calculating the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, the following definitions shall apply:

“**Class II Preference Share Percentage**” means, for any Payment Date, a fraction, expressed as a percentage, the numerator of which is the number of Outstanding Class II Preference Shares on such Payment Date and the denominator of which is the total number of Outstanding Preference Shares on such Payment Date.

“**Class II Preference Share Portion**” means, for any Payment Date, 100% minus the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date.

“**Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment**” means, for any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Senior Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

“**Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment**” means, for any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Subordinated Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**“Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment”** means, for any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**“Servicing Fee Portion”** means 100% minus (a) for any Payment Date from the Closing Date until (and including) the Payment Date on or immediately preceding the second anniversary of the Closing Date, the Class II Preference Share Percentage for such Payment Date and (b) for any other Payment Date, a percentage (between 0% and 100%) selected by the Servicer in its sole discretion and reported to the Trustee in writing on or before the related Determination Date.

For purposes of calculating interest on each Class of Notes, the Issuer will initially appoint the Trustee as calculation agent (the Trustee in that capacity, and each successor calculation agent, the **“Calculation Agent”**).

As soon as possible after 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period, but in no event later than 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the next Business Day, the Calculation Agent will calculate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes for the related Interest Period and the amount of interest for the Interest Period payable in respect of each \$100,000 in principal amount of each Class of Floating Rate Notes (in each case rounded to the nearest cent, with half a cent being rounded upward) on the related Payment Date and will communicate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes and the date of the next Payment Date to the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, each paying agent, Euroclear, Clearstream, the Depository, and (as long as the Senior Notes are listed on the ISE) the ISE.

The Calculation Agent may be removed by the Co-Issuers at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Co-Issuers or if the Calculation Agent fails to determine the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes or the amount of interest payable in respect of each Class of Floating Rate Notes for any Interest Period, the Issuer will promptly appoint as a replacement Calculation Agent a leading bank which is engaged in transactions in U.S. Dollar deposits in the international U.S. Dollar market and which does not control and is not controlled by or under common control with the Co-Issuers or any of their respective affiliates. The Calculation Agent may not resign its duties without a successor having been duly appointed. The determination of the Note Interest Rate with respect to each Class of Floating Rate Notes for each Interest Period by the Calculation Agent shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding upon all parties.

**“LIBOR”** means the offered rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent for any Interest Period, for three month Dollar deposits that appears on Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News (or a page that replaces Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), as of 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period.

If, on the second Business Day before the first day of any relevant Interest Period, that rate does not appear on Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Market Commodities News (or a page that replaces Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), the Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks to prime banks in the London interbank market for three month Dollar deposits in Europe, by reference to requests by the Calculation Agent to four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) (the **“Reference Banks”**) for quotations as of approximately 11:00 A.M. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the Interest Period. If at least two of the Reference Banks provide quotations as requested, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean. If fewer than two Reference Banks provide quotations, LIBOR shall be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that one or more leading banks in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) are quoting to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period for three month Dollar deposits.



If the Calculation Agent is unable to determine a rate in accordance with any of the above procedures, LIBOR for the Interest Period shall be calculated on the last day of the Interest Period and shall be the arithmetic mean of the rate of interest for each day during the Interest Period determined by the Calculation Agent as being the rate of interest most recently announced by the Bank at its New York office as its base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans (or if the Bank ceases to exist or is not quoting a base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans, another major money center commercial bank in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer)).

For the first Interest Period and, unless the Maturity Extension occurs, the last Interest Period, LIBOR shall be determined based on the actual number of days in the Interest Period using straight-line interpolation of two rates calculated in accordance with the above procedure, except that instead of using three month deposits, one rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next shorter than the Interest Period and the other rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next longer than the Interest Period. All calculations shall be calculated to at least four decimal places and rounded to four decimal places.

### **Principal Payments on the Notes and Distributions on the Preference Shares from Principal Proceeds**

The principal of each Note of each Class matures at par and is payable on the Payment Date that is the Stated Maturity for the Class of Notes, unless the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable at an earlier date by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise. The Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, unless redeemed prior thereto. The average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years from issuance until Stated Maturity for such Notes. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes Interests May Vary” and “Maturity and Prepayment Considerations.” Notwithstanding the foregoing, and except as set forth below, the payment of principal of each Class of Notes: (i) may only occur after principal on each Class of Notes that is a Priority Class with respect to the Class has been paid in full and (ii) is subordinated to the payment on each Payment Date of the principal and interest payable on the Priority Classes, and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments. However, (i) Interest Proceeds may be used to pay principal of the Class D Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class D Coverage Tests and (ii) Principal Proceeds may be used to pay Deferred Interest and other amounts before the payment of principal of the Notes. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

In general, principal payments will not be made on the Notes before the end of the Replacement Period, except in the following circumstances: (i) in connection with an Optional Redemption, (ii) in connection with a Refinancing, (iii) at the option of the Servicer, to effect a Special Redemption of the Notes, (iv) pursuant to a redemption made in connection with a Tax Event or (v) following a mandatory redemption of the Notes caused by a failure to meet any of the Coverage Tests or a Rating Confirmation Failure. After the Replacement Period, Principal Proceeds will be applied on each Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments to pay principal of each Class of Notes (except for Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations which may be applied to purchase Collateral Obligations to the extent described herein). No principal of any Class of Notes will be payable on any Payment Date other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and to the extent funds are available therefor on that Payment Date for that purpose, except that the principal of each Class of Notes will be payable in full at the Stated Maturity, unless repaid before that.

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares, pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Principal Proceeds as described under clauses (11)(A), (14) and (15) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

### **Legal Provisions Applicable to the Payments of Dividends from Interest Proceeds and Dividends or Other Distributions from Principal Proceeds**

Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment of dividends on, or the payment of the Redemption Price in respect of, the Preference Shares, will be distributable to the Holders of the Preference Shares only if the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distribution and Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment of dividends in respect of the Preference Shares will be distributable to the Holders of the Preference Shares only if the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium and if the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distribution. Payments will be paid by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for payment of dividends and other distributions to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, on a *pro rata* basis according to the number of Preference Shares held by each Holder on the Record Date for such Payment Date.

### **Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**

#### *General*

The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Replacement Period to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date up to four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given the Trustee written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Securities or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents.

In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes or Preference Shares wishing to sell all or a portion of its Securities (or, with respect to any Preference Shares held by Investors Corp. at such time, any Holder of Holding Preference Shares wishing to sell all or a portion of the Holding Preference Shares held by such Holder) to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to “—Extension Procedure” below (such Securities (or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable) as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, “**Extension Sale Securities**”). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, each Holder providing an Extension Sale Notice shall be deemed to agree that no Extension Sale Securities of any Holder shall be purchased unless all Extension Sale Securities of all Holders are purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date and the other Extension Conditions are satisfied as of such date.

The Maturity Extension shall be effective only if the following conditions (the “**Extension Conditions**”) are satisfied:

- (i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the applicable Extension Effective Date;
- (ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions, in the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents and the Holding Preference Share Documents and described herein immediately after such purchase and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and

all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency);

- (iii) (a) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to S&P (so long as any Notes are then rated by S&P) and (b) Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to Moody's (so long as any Notes are then rated by Moody's);
- (iv) the Issuer has not effected more than three prior Extensions; and
- (v) such extension is not effected for the primary purpose of decreasing losses or recognizing gains resulting from market value changes.

In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Noteholder, other than Holders of Extension Sale Securities, shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment. Holders of Preference Shares shall not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

The Extension Bonus Payment shall be payable to any applicable qualifying beneficial owners who have provided the Trustee with an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification on the first Payment Date from and including the Extension Effective Date on which funds are available for such purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments, but in any event, no later than the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption of the Notes. Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments on a Payment Date shall not be considered "due and payable" hereunder. The failure to pay any such Extension Bonus Payment on such date shall not be an Event of Default, unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Securities. Unpaid Extension Bonus Payments shall not accrue interest. Such amounts shall be paid, in the case of the Notes, to the accounts designated in the applicable Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification or, to the extent otherwise required by the rules of any applicable securities exchange or clearing agency, in a manner determined by the Issuer.

#### *Extension Procedure*

Not later than three Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Issuer of its election to extend the Replacement Period (the "**Extension Notice**"), the Trustee shall mail the Extension Notice to all Holders of Notes, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding), in the form set out in the Indenture, and shall request the Rating Confirmation for the Maturity Extension from each Rating Agency, if applicable.

Any Holder of Securities may deliver an irrevocable notice (an "**Extension Sale Notice**") to the Issuer and the Trustee within 30 days after the Trustee has mailed the Extension Notice (the "**Extension Sale Notice Period**") of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Securities or, with respect to Investors Corp., in its capacity as a Holder of the Class I Preference Shares, all or a portion of Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be, to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of Securities that has not delivered such an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be entitled to sell its Securities or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension.

If any Holder of Class II Preference Shares delivers an Extension Sale Notice notifying the Issuer and the Trustee of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Class II Preference Shares, (i) such Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to Investors Corp. and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares, (ii) Investors Corp. will issue additional Holding Preference Shares in a

number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such redesignated Preference Shares purchased by it and (iii) the Extension Qualifying Purchaser will purchase such additional Holding Preference Shares in lieu of such redesignated Preference Shares.

On the applicable Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or its agent) shall confirm (i) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Extension Sale Securities in compliance with all transfer restrictions in the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents and the Holding Preference Share Documents and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (ii) whether the requirements of clause (iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date and (iii) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

On each Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension shall automatically become effective under the terms of the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents; *provided* that all Extension Conditions set forth above are satisfied (as certified to the Trustee by a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer). No later than two Business Days after each Extension Effective Date, the Trustee based on a determination made by the Issuer, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail a notice to all Holders of Notes, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) and the ISE (if and for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed thereon) confirming whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension became effective, the Issuer shall make any required notifications thereof to the Depositary for any Securities subject to the Maturity Extension.

None of the Initial Purchaser, the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

### **Optional Redemption**

*Notes.* The applicable Required Redemption Percentage may give written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Servicer directing an optional redemption of the Notes (with respect to the Notes, an “**Optional Redemption**”) upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period. Such notice must be given not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made. In the event that the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee and the Issuer receive notice directing an optional redemption from any one or more Holders of Preference Shares holding less than a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, within 5 Business Days of receipt of such notice, notify the Holders of the Preference Shares and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares) (i) of the receipt of such notice and (ii) that any Holder of Preference Shares may join in directing an Optional Redemption by notifying the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing within 5 Business Days after such Holder’s receipt of the Preference Shares Paying Agent’s notice.

Upon receipt of the written notice directing an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Co-Issuers with respect to the Senior Notes and the Issuer with respect to the Class D Notes are required by the Indenture to redeem the Notes (in whole but not in part) from amounts available therefor in accordance with “—Optional Redemption Procedures” described below. Any Optional Redemption of the Notes shall be made at the applicable Redemption Price. Upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Replacement Period will terminate in accordance with the definition of that term. The Issuer shall, at least 30 days before the Redemption Date (unless the Trustee shall agree to a shorter notice period), notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency of the Redemption Date, the applicable Record Date, the principal amount of Notes to be redeemed on the Redemption Date and the applicable Redemption Prices.

*Preference Shares.* On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, all administrative and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), and all amounts owing under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged:

(i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings; or

(ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such direction,

(with respect to the Preference Shares and each of clauses (i) and (ii) above, an “**Optional Redemption**”).

Upon a distribution pursuant to clause (i) above, the Servicer will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Servicing Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer (and subject to clause (ii) above), direct the sale of all remaining Collateral Obligations. Upon a distribution pursuant to clause (ii) above, the Servicer will effect the sale of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares.

Upon receipt of the written notice directing an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares, the Issuer is required by the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement to redeem the Preference Shares in the applicable manner described above. Any Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares shall be made at the applicable Redemption Price.

*Optional Redemption Procedures.* The Trustee will give notice of a redemption by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days and not earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date, to (i) each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder’s address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as applicable, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and (ii) in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, to each Rating Agency. In addition, for so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the ISE and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of an Optional Redemption of Senior Notes shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

Notice of redemption having been given as provided above, the Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at the Redemption Price therein specified and from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Redemption Price and accrued interest) the Notes shall cease to bear interest on the Redemption Date.

Upon final payment on a Note to be so redeemed, the Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the place specified in the notice of redemption to receive the applicable Redemption Price unless the Holder provides an undertaking to surrender the Note thereafter.

The Notes may not be optionally redeemed unless either of the following conditions is satisfied:

(i) at least 10 Business Days before the Redemption Date, the Servicer shall have furnished to the Trustee evidence (in form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee) that the Issuer has entered into a binding agreements (with a financial or other institution or entity whose short-

term unsecured debt obligations (other than obligations whose rating is based on the credit of a person other than the institution) have a credit rating of at least “A-1” from S&P and of “P-1” (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody’s (or to any other institution or entity if the Rating Condition with respect to Moody’s is satisfied with respect to the other entity) to sell to the financial or other institutions, not later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date in immediately available funds, all or part of the Collateral (directly or by participation or other arrangement) at a Purchase Price at least equal to an amount sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices; or

(ii) before entering into any binding agreement to sell all or a portion of the Collateral and selling or terminating any Hedge Agreement, the Servicer shall have certified that, in its commercially reasonable judgment, the settlement dates of the sales will be scheduled to occur on or before the Business Day before the Redemption Date and that the expected proceeds from the sales are to be delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date, in immediately available funds, in an amount (calculated as applicable in the manner provided below) sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices. For purposes of this paragraph, the amount shall be calculated with respect to the classes of Collateral listed in the table below by multiplying the expected proceeds of sale of the Collateral by the indicated percentage in the table below.

	<u>Number of Business Days Between Certification to the Trustee and Sale</u>			
	<u>Same Day</u>	<u>1 to 2</u>	<u>3 to 5</u>	<u>6 to 15</u>
1. Cash or other Eligible Investments	100%	100%	100%	100%
2. Loans (other than 5 below)	100%	93%	92%	88%
3. High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations (in each case, other than 4 below)	100%	89%	85%	75%
4. High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations, in each case with a Moody’s Rating of “B3” and on credit watch with negative implications or below “B3”	100%	75%	65%	55%
5. Synthetic Securities	100%	65%	55%	35%

Any certification delivered by the Servicer shall include (A) the prices of, and expected proceeds from, the sale of any Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments or Hedge Agreements and (B) all calculations required by the Indenture.

Any notice of redemption may be withdrawn by the Issuer up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares), the Trustee and the Servicer only if:

(i) in the case of an Optional Redemption of Notes, the Servicer does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications required under the Indenture, as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee;

(ii) in the case of an Optional Redemption in whole of either the Notes or the Preference Shares as described above in “—Optional Redemption—Notes” and clause (i) of the first paragraph under “—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares,” the Issuer receives the written direction of the Preference Shares (or, in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Affected Class) to withdraw the notice of redemption delivered by the percentage of the Preference Shares (or, in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Affected Class) requesting redemption under “—Optional Redemption—Notes” or clause (i) of the first paragraph under “—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares,” as applicable; or

(iii) in the case of an Optional Redemption of Preference Shares as described in clause (ii) of the first paragraph under “Optional Redemption—Preference Shares,” the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer hereby agrees for the benefit of the directing Holders to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (ii) or this clause (iii)).

Notice of any withdrawal shall be sent, not later than the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date (assuming that the Trustee has received timely written notice from the Issuer as provided above), by the Trustee, to each Holder of Notes scheduled to be redeemed at the Holder’s address in the Indenture Register by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery (or, to the extent the address contained in the Indenture Register is not sufficient for that purpose, by first-class mail), the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares). If the Issuer so withdraws any notice of redemption or is otherwise unable to complete any redemption of the Notes, the Sale Proceeds received from the sale of any Collateral Obligations sold in accordance with the Indenture may, during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period) at the Servicer’s discretion, be used to purchase replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria.

Notice of redemption shall be given by the Co-Issuers or, upon an Issuer Order, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Co-Issuers. Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Note selected for redemption, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Securities.

*Redemption by Refinancing.* In addition, any Class of the Notes may be redeemed in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date following the fifth anniversary of the Closing date from Refinancing Proceeds if the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, proposes to the Holders of the Preference Shares in writing (by notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares)) with a copy to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies) at least 30 days prior to the Payment Date for such redemption (such date, the “**Refinancing Date**”) to redeem such Notes in accordance with the Indenture, which notice shall, among other things, specify the Refinancing Date and the Class of Notes to be Refinanced. Such redemption will be effected by the Issuer obtaining a loan or an issuance of a replacement class of notes (“**Refinancing Notes**”), the terms of which loan or issuance will be negotiated by the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, from one or more financial institutions or

purchasers (which may include the Servicer or its Affiliates) selected by the Servicer (a refinancing provided pursuant to such loan or issuance, a “**Refinancing**”), and provided that (i) such proposal is approved by a Majority of the Preference Shares (voting as a single class) at least 15 days prior to the Refinancing Date and (ii) the Servicer completes such Refinancing and causes the Refinancing Proceeds to be deposited with the Trustee (in immediately available funds) no later than the close of the Business Day immediately preceding the Refinancing Date.

The Issuer will obtain a Refinancing only if the Servicer determines and certifies to the Trustee that:

- (i) a Rating Agency Confirmation has been obtained from S&P for such Refinancing;
- (ii) the proceeds from the Refinancing will be at least sufficient to pay the Refinancing Price plus any Administrative Expenses of the Issuer related to the Refinancing;
- (iii) the interest rate payable in respect of the obligations providing the Refinancing is less than the interest rate payable on the Notes being refinanced;
- (iv) the principal amount of any obligations providing the Refinancing is no greater than the principal amount of the Notes being redeemed with the proceeds of such obligations;
- (v) the stated maturity of the obligations providing the Refinancing is no earlier than the Stated Maturity of the Notes being refinanced;
- (vi) the Refinancing Proceeds will be used (to the extent necessary) to redeem the applicable Notes;
- (vii) the agreements relating to the Refinancing contain non-recourse and non-petition provisions, investor qualification provisions and transfer restrictions equivalent to those applicable to the Notes being redeemed, as set forth in the Indenture;
- (viii) the obligations providing the Refinancing are subject to the Priority of Payments and do not rank higher in priority pursuant to the Priority of Payments than the Class of Notes being redeemed; and
- (ix) the expenses in connection with the Refinancing have been paid or will be adequately provided for.

Any Refinancing Proceeds will not constitute Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds but will be applied directly on the related Refinancing Date pursuant to the Indenture to redeem the Notes being refinanced and pay Administrative Expenses in connection with the Refinancing without regard to the Priority of Payments; *provided*, that to the extent that any Refinancing Proceeds exceed the amount necessary to redeem the Notes being refinanced (and any associated Administrative Expenses), such excess Refinancing Proceeds will be treated as Principal Proceeds.

In addition, the Servicer has agreed with one or more Multiple Class Holders to purchase, at the option of each such Multiple Class Holder, Securities (or Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be) held or, in the case of any Notes represented by Global Notes, beneficially owned by such Multiple Class Holder in connection with a Refinancing, if such Securities (or Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be) are not subject to such Refinancing and other Securities (or Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be) held or, in the case of any Notes represented by Global Notes, beneficially owned by such Multiple Class Holder are subject to such Refinancing. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Notes are subject to Redemption by Refinancing”.

Refinancing Notes may be issued from time to time pursuant to a Refinancing as described above and subject to and in compliance with the terms of the Indenture. Any such Refinancing Note will be issued by the Issuer and, if any such Refinancing Note is a Senior Note, the Co-Issuer and will be



authenticated by the Trustee upon delivery to the Trustee of an order of the Issuer and the applicable opinion of counsel as set forth in the Indenture.

**Special Redemption of Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture**

Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in whole or in part, at par, in accordance with the Priority of Payments if, at any time during the Replacement Period, the Servicer elects (subject to the Servicing Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional or replacement Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the application of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations.

On the Special Redemption Date, the Special Redemption Amount will be available to be applied in accordance with “—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds” to the extent of available Principal Proceeds. Notice of payment of the Special Redemption Amount shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than three Business Days before the applicable Special Redemption Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder’s address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository. In addition, for so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the ISE and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of a Special Redemption of the Senior Notes shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

In connection with a Special Redemption, the principal of the Notes will be paid from Principal Proceeds in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount (first to any Class A-1a Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class A-1b Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class A-2 Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class B Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class C Notes to be redeemed and then to any Class D Notes to be redeemed, in each case until paid in full) in accordance with the Priority of Payments. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

**Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

*General*

In the event of a Rating Confirmation Failure or a failure to meet any Coverage Test on any Determination Date, a mandatory redemption of one or more Classes of Notes in whole or in part will be required. Any mandatory redemption could result in an elimination, deferral or reduction in interest or principal payments to one or more Classes of Securities, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of the Class or Classes of Securities. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Interests for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests” and “—The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure.”

*Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests*

Except with respect to payments made pursuant to an Optional Redemption or a redemption made in connection with a Tax Event as described under “—Optional Redemption,” on any Payment Date with respect to which any Coverage Test (as described under “Security for the Notes—The Coverage Tests”) is not met on any Determination Date, principal payments on the Notes will be made as described under “—Priority of Payments.”

*Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure*

Upon the event of a Rating Confirmation Failure, all Interest Proceeds remaining after payment of amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (14) of “—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” will be used to pay principal of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes sequentially in order of their priority on the next Payment

Date and each Payment Date thereafter until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. If necessary, after the foregoing payments are made out of Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds in accordance with clause (6) “—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds” will be used to pay principal of each Class of the Notes sequentially in order of their priority on each Payment Date until the Initial Ratings are confirmed.

Upon receipt of notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes, at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody’s and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes, then at the direction and in accordance with the instructions of the Servicer the Trustee shall sell Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for the purpose in the Collection Account will be used to redeem the Notes (but only to the extent necessary for each of Moody’s and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes) and to pay all administrative and other fees, expenses and obligations payable under the Priority of Payments. Any sale under these provisions shall be conducted in such a manner that:

- (i) after giving effect to the sale each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied or, if any Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Overcollateralization Test is not reduced;
- (ii) if the sale occurs on or after the second Payment Date, after giving effect to the sale each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied or, if any Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Interest Coverage Test is not reduced; and
- (iii) after giving effect to the sale each Collateral Quality Test is satisfied or, if any Collateral Quality Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Collateral Quality Test is not reduced.

#### **Redemption of the Preference Shares in Connection with Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

The Preference Shares will be redeemed in whole in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents on any Payment Date on which a mandatory redemption of the Notes described under “—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes” results in the payment in full of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes.

#### **Priority of Payments**

Collections received on the Collateral during the related Due Period will be segregated into Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds and applied on each Payment Date in the priority below under “—Interest Proceeds” and “—Principal Proceeds,” respectively (collectively, the “**Priority of Payments**”).

##### *Interest Proceeds*

On each Payment Date, Interest Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period (other than Interest Proceeds previously used during such Due Period to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations or otherwise used as permitted under the Indenture) will be distributed in the following order of priority:

- (1) to the payment of any taxes and registration and filing fees owed by the Co-Issuers (without limit) and then to the payment of Administrative Expenses up to the Administrative Expense Cap as follows:

FIRST, in the following order of priority:

- (i) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Trustee; and then

- (ii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Collateral Administrator; and then
- (iii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Preference Shares Paying Agent; and
- (iv) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Holding Preferences Shares Paying Agent;

SECOND, in the following order of priority;

- (x) fees and expenses of the Administrator; and then;
  - (y) fees and expenses of the Co-Issuers (including fees and expenses of counsel and ongoing surveillance, credit estimate, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies) and any other person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for in the Indenture, and to the expenses (but not fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;
- (2) the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts paid pursuant to clause (1) above to deposit into the Expense Reimbursement Account;
  - (3) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with “Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account” an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee then due and payable and SECOND, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause;
  - (4) to the payment of all amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements (if any) other than any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;
  - (5) FIRST to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-1a Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-1a Notes and SECOND to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-1b Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-1b Notes;
  - (6) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-2 Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-2 Notes;
  - (7) if the Class A Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Note and the Class A-2 Notes in the Note Payment Sequence in the amount necessary so that all of the Class A Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (7) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);
  - (8) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B Notes (excluding Class B Deferred Interest, but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class B Deferred Interest);

- (9) if the Class B Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class B Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (9) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);
- (10) to the payment of Class B Deferred Interest;
- (11) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class C Notes (excluding Class C Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class C Deferred Interest);
- (12) if the Class C Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class C Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (12) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);
- (13) to the payment of Class C Deferred Interest;
- (14) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class D Notes (excluding Class D Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class D Deferred Interest);
- (15) if the Class D Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class D Notes in the amount necessary so that all of the Class D Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full, or if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that a Rating Confirmation is obtained, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (15) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);
- (16) to the payment of Class D Deferred Interest;
- (17) to deposit in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds amounts representing Principal Proceeds previously used to pay amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (6), (8), (10), (11), (13), (14) and (16) above and not previously restored to the Collection Account or, if not restored to the Collection Account, used to purchase Collateral Obligations;
- (18) during the Replacement Period, if the Retention Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, for deposit to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds the lesser of (i) 50% of the remaining Interest Proceeds available after the payments pursuant to clause (17) above and (ii) the amount necessary to cause the Retention Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as of such Determination Date;

- (19) to the payment of any remaining Administrative Expenses not paid under clause (1) above in the respective priorities specified in clause (1);
- (20) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with “Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account” an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee then due and payable and SECOND, to the payment (*pro rata* according to the amounts payable under clauses (x) and (y) below) to: (x) the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and (y) *pro rata* to each Holder of Securities entitled thereto, the applicable Extension Bonus Payment as described under “—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date;”
- (21) to the payment of any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;
- (22) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0%;
- (23) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with “Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account” of an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) the Supplemental Servicing Fee, if applicable and SECOND, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Supplemental Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and
- (24) any remaining Interest Proceeds, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares;

*provided that*, in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds referred to under clauses (22) and (24) above, in whole or in part on any Payment Date, the Servicer, on behalf the Issuer, will have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be due and payable on such Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to any such Payment Date will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be increased accordingly.

#### *Principal Proceeds*

On each Payment Date, Principal Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period other than:

- (A) Principal Proceeds previously used to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or otherwise used as permitted under the Indenture;
- (B) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account or the Securities Lending Account; and
- (C) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed Purchase Prices for Collateral Obligations with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment before the end of the Due Period for their purchase, but has not settled the purchase by the end of the Due Period;

shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

- (1) (x) FIRST, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (6) under “—Interest Proceeds” above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (y) SECOND, to the payment of amounts referred to in clause (7) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class A Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (1), or until such amounts are paid in full;
- (2) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (8) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (3) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (9) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class B Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (3), or until such amounts are paid in full;
- (4) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (10) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (5) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (11) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (6) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (12) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class C Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (6), or until such amounts are paid in full;
- (7) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (13) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (8) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (14) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (9) to the payment of principal of the Notes in the Note Payment Sequence in an amount necessary to (A) cause the Class D Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made

through this clause (9), or until paid in full or (B) if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, obtain a Rating Confirmation, or until paid in full;

- (10) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (16) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (11)
  - (A) if the Payment Date is a Redemption Date in the following order of priority: (i) to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of the Redemption Prices of all of the Notes to be redeemed, (ii) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (19) through (23) under “—Interest Proceeds” above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (iii) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares of the Redemption Price of any Preference Shares to be redeemed; and
  - (B) if the Payment Date is a Special Redemption Date, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of the Notes in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount, in each case until paid in full;
- (12) during the Replacement Period, all remaining Principal Proceeds to the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture (and, until so applied (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer’s purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), to be deposited in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds);
- (13) after the Replacement Period, (i) FIRST, at the discretion of the Servicer (with respect to Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations) to the purchase or funding of additional or replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the applicable provisions of the Indenture when appropriate Collateral Obligations are available, and until such time, to the Collection Account for the purchase of Eligible Investments; and (ii) SECOND, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of Notes until paid in full;
- (14) to the extent not previously paid in full under clause (11) above, after the Replacement Period, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (19) through (23) under “—Interest Proceeds” above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; and
- (15) after the Replacement Period to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

The calculation on any Coverage Test on any Determination Date shall be made by giving effect to all payments to be made pursuant to all subclauses of the Priority of Payments as applicable, payable on the Payment Date following such Determination Date. In addition, no Principal Proceeds will be used to pay a subordinated Class on a Payment Date if, after giving effect to such payment, any Coverage Test of a more senior Class of Notes is failing on such Payment Date or would fail as a result of such application of the Principal Proceeds on such Payment Date.

If on any Payment Date the amount available in the Payment Account is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by the Valuation Report, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for in the order and according to the priority under “—Interest Proceeds” and “—Principal Proceeds,” to the extent funds are available therefor.

The Trustee shall remit funds to pay Administrative Expenses of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in accordance with the Priority of Payments under “—Interest Proceeds” and “—Principal Proceeds” above, to the extent available, to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer as directed and designated in an Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions) delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before each Payment Date.

### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Senior Notes**

The Senior Notes sold in Offshore Transactions may only be sold to non-U.S. Persons in reliance on Regulation S. Except as provided below, the Senior Notes sold in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Notes. The Regulation S Global Notes will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear and Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream. Investors may hold their interests in a Regulation S Global Note directly through Euroclear or Clearstream, if they are participants in such systems, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in such systems. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may not be held by a U.S. Person at any time. By acquisition of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note, the purchaser thereof will be deemed to represent that it is not a U.S. Person and that, if in the future it determines to transfer such beneficial interest, it will transfer such interest only to a person whom the seller reasonably believes to be a non-U.S. Person or to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note.

The Senior Notes initially sold in non-Offshore Transactions or to U.S. Persons in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Rule 144A may only be sold to (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers that are also (ii) Qualified Purchasers and, except as provided below, will be represented by one or more permanent Rule 144A Global Notes. Investors may hold their interests in the Rule 144A Global Notes directly through the Depository if they are the Depository participants, or indirectly through organizations that are the Depository participants. The Rule 144A Global Notes will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for the Depository, and registered in the name of a nominee of the Depository.

Beneficial interests in Senior Notes represented by Global Notes will be subject to certain restrictions on transfer set forth therein and in the Indenture and such Global Notes will bear the applicable legends regarding the restrictions set forth under “Transfer Restrictions.” A beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from (A) the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that the transfer is being made to a person whom the transferor reasonably believes is a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is also a Qualified Purchaser and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction and (B) the transferee (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser. Beneficial interests in the Rule 144A Global Notes may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from (A) the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that the transfer is being made to a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction in accordance with Regulation S and (B) the transferee (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is a non-U.S. Person.

Any beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note that is transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will, upon transfer, cease to be an interest in such Regulation S Global Note and become an interest in the Rule 144A Global Note and, accordingly, will thereafter be subject to all transfer restrictions and other procedures applicable to beneficial interests



in a Rule 144A Global Note for as long as it remains such an interest. Any beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note that is transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note will, upon transfer, cease to be an interest in the Rule 144A Global Note and become an interest in the Regulation S Global Note and, accordingly, will thereafter be subject to all transfer restrictions and other procedures applicable to beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note for as long as it remains such an interest. No service charge will be made for any registration of transfer or exchange of Senior Notes, but the Issuer or Co-Issuers, as the case may be, or the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

Except in the limited circumstances described in this paragraph, owners of beneficial interests in Senior Notes held in the form of Global Notes will not be entitled to receive delivery of certificated Senior Notes. The Senior Notes are not issuable in bearer form. A Global Note deposited with the Depository pursuant to the Indenture shall be transferred to the beneficial owners thereof only if such transfer complies with the Indenture and either (i) the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for a Global Note or ceases to be a "Clearing Agency" registered under the Exchange Act and a successor depository is not appointed by the Issuer within 90 days of such notice or (ii) as a result of any amendment to or change in, the laws or regulations of the Cayman Islands or of any authority therein or thereof having power to tax or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations which become effective on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer or the Paying Agent becomes aware that it is or will be required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Senior Notes which would not be required if the Senior Notes were in definitive form. In addition, the owner of a beneficial interest in a Global Note will be entitled to receive a certificated Note in exchange for such interest if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing. In the event that certificated Senior Notes are not so issued by the Issuer to such beneficial owners of interests in Global Notes, the Issuer expressly acknowledges that such beneficial owners shall be entitled to pursue any remedy that the Holders of a Global Note would be entitled to pursue in accordance with the Indenture (but only to the extent of such beneficial owner's interest in the Global Note) as if certificated Senior Notes had been issued. Payments on such certificated Senior Notes will be made by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a Dollar-denominated account maintained by the owner or, if a wire transfer cannot be effected, by a Dollar check delivered to the owner. See "Settlement and Clearing."

The Senior Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof for each Class of Senior Notes.

#### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Class D Notes**

The Class D Notes will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Class D Notes in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the "**Certificated Class D Notes**").

The Class D Notes may only be sold to persons who are Qualified Institutional Buyers who are also Qualified Purchasers.

The Class D Notes may be transferred only upon (*inter alia*) receipt by the Trustee of a written certification (in the form provided in the Indenture) from the transferee to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is also a Qualified Purchaser, and such transfer is being made in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction. Each initial Holder as well as each transferee of the Class D Notes is also required to provide certain tax forms and other tax-related certifications. See "Transfer Restrictions."

The Class D Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof.

## **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Preference Shares**

The Preference Shares will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Preference Shares in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the “**Certificated Preference Shares**”).

Preference Shares may only be sold to persons who are Qualified Institutional Buyers who are also Qualified Purchasers.

Preference Shares may be transferred only upon (*inter alia*) receipt by the Preference Shares Paying Agent of a written certification (in the form provided in the Preference Share Documents) from the transferee to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is also a Qualified Purchaser, and such transfer is being made in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction. Each initial Holder as well as each transferee of the Preference Shares is also required to provide certain tax forms and other tax-related certifications. See “Transfer Restrictions.”

Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited has been appointed and will serve as the registrar with respect to the Preference Shares (the “**Share Registrar**”) and will provide for (*inter alia*) the registration of the Preference Shares and the registration of transfers of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Preference Share Documents and the Administration Agreement in the register maintained by it. The Preference Shares will be issued in minimum numbers of 100 Preference Shares per investor and integral multiples of one Preference Share in excess thereof.

## **The Indenture**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Indenture. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Indenture.

### *Events of Default*

“**Event of Default**” is defined in the Indenture as:

- (a) a default for four Business Days in the payment of any interest on any Class of Notes that is currently part of the Controlling Class when it becomes payable (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, the Irish Listing and Paying Agent or the Indenture Registrar, after seven Business Days);
- (b) a default in the payment of principal (including Deferred Interest) of any Note when the same becomes payable, at its Stated Maturity or on the Redemption Date;
- (c) the failure on any Payment Date to disburse amounts available in the Payment Account in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the failure continues for three Business Days;
- (d) on any Measurement Date for so long as any Class A-1a Notes or Class A-1b Notes are Outstanding, the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio is less than 100%;
- (e) either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral becomes an investment company under the Investment Company Act;
- (f) breach of any other covenant or other agreement of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Indenture (other than any failure to satisfy any of the Collateral Quality Tests, any of the Concentration Limitations, any of the Coverage Tests, the Retention Overcollateralization Test, or other covenants or agreements for which a specific remedy has been provided under the

Indenture) in any material respect, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer made in the Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant thereto, or in connection therewith, to be correct in any material respect when made, and the breach or failure continues for 30 days after either of the Co-Issuers has actual knowledge of it or after notice to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Servicer by the Trustee or to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class by registered or certified mail or overnight courier specifying the breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that the notice is a "Notice of Default" under the Indenture;

(g) the entry of a decree or order by a court having competent jurisdiction adjudging the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, or composition of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, and if the decree or order remains unstayed and in effect for 45 consecutive days;

(h) the institution by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of Proceedings to have the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as the case may be, adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings against the Issuer or Co-Issuer, or the filing by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Bankruptcy Law or any other similar applicable law, or the consent by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or the taking of any action by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in furtherance of any such action; or

(i) one or more final judgments is rendered against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer that exceed in the aggregate U.S.\$2,000,000 (or any lesser amount specified by any Rating Agency) and that remain unstayed, undischarged, and unsatisfied for 30 days after the judgments become nonappealable, unless adequate funds have been reserved or set aside for their payment, and unless (except as otherwise specified in writing by Moody's) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereon.

Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Trustee must give prompt (and in no event later than five Business Days after becoming aware of such event) notice thereof to the Noteholders.

If an Event of Default is continuing (other than an Event of Default described in clauses (e), (g) or (h) under "—Events of Default" above), the Trustee may, with consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class, and must, upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, declare the principal of all the Notes to be immediately payable by notice to the Co-Issuers and the Noteholders, and upon that declaration the unpaid principal of all the Notes, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), and other amounts payable under the Indenture, shall become immediately payable. The Replacement Period shall terminate upon a declaration of acceleration (subject to re-commencement as described below). If an Event of Default described in clauses (e), (g) or (h) above under "—Events of Default" occurs, all unpaid principal, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), of all the Notes, and other amounts payable under the Indenture, shall automatically become payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any Noteholder and the Replacement Period shall terminate automatically (subject to re-commencement as described below).

At any time after the declaration of acceleration of maturity has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, may rescind the declaration and its consequences if:

- (i) the Issuer or the Co-Issuer has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:
  - (A) all unpaid installments of interest and principal on the Notes then due (other than as a result of the acceleration);
  - (B) to the extent that payment of the interest is lawful, interest on any Deferred Interest and Defaulted Interest at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable;
  - (C) all Administrative Expenses of the Co-Issuers and other sums paid or advanced by the Trustee under the Indenture;
  - (D) all unpaid Senior Servicing Fees; and
  - (E) all amounts then payable to any Hedge Counterparty; and
- (ii) the Trustee has determined that all Events of Default, other than the nonpayment of the interest on or principal of the Notes, that have become due solely by the acceleration, have been (A) cured, and a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Trustee has agreed with that determination, or (B) waived as provided in the Indenture.

No rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right resulting from the Default. The Issuer shall not terminate any Hedge Agreement at any time after a declaration of acceleration of Maturity of the Notes has been made, unless such declaration and its consequences may no longer be rescinded and annulled in accordance with the Indenture and liquidation of the Collateral has begun.

If an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee will retain the Collateral, collect, and cause the collection of the proceeds of the Collateral and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Collateral and the Notes and any Hedge Agreements (other than amounts received under a Hedge Agreement that are used in putting a replacement hedge in place) in the manner described under “—Priority of Payments” and the Indenture unless either:

- (i) the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, determines (bid prices having been obtained with respect to each security contained in the Collateral from two nationally recognized dealers (or if there is only one dealer, that dealer and if there is no dealer, from a pricing service), selected and specified by the Servicer to the Trustee in writing, at the time making a market in those securities, and having computed the anticipated proceeds of sale or liquidation on the basis of the lower of the bid prices for each security) that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would (after deduction of the reasonable expenses of the sale or liquidation) be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and the Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) under “—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds,” and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination; or
- (ii) the Holders of a Super Majority of each of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral.

During the continuance of an Event of Default, a Majority of the Controlling Class may institute and direct the Trustee in the conduct of any proceedings for any remedy available to the Trustee or for the exercise of any right of the Trustee under the Indenture if the direction does not conflict with any rule of law or with any express provision of the Indenture and the Trustee has been indemnified to its reasonable satisfaction. Any direction to the Trustee to undertake a sale of the Collateral shall be by the Holders of Notes representing the requisite percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes specified in the Indenture. The Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability or expense unless it has received an indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it against the liability or expense.

A Majority of the Controlling Class may on behalf of the Holders of all the Notes, before the time a judgment or decree for the payment of money due has been obtained by the Trustee, waive any past Event of Default or event that, with notice or the lapse of time or both, would become an Event of Default and its consequences, except such a default:

- (i) in the payment of principal or Redemption Price of any Note or in the payment of interest (including Defaulted Interest, Deferred Interest, and any interest on Defaulted Interest or Deferred Interest) on the Notes;
- (ii) with respect to a provision of the Indenture that cannot be modified or amended without the waiver or consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected by the modification or amendment;
- (iii) in the payment of amounts due to the Servicer, the Trustee, or the Hedge Counterparty, which may only be waived with the consent of the affected party; or
- (iv) arising as a result of an Event of Default described in clause (e), (g) or (h) under “—Events of Default.”

No Holder of any Note may institute any proceeding with respect to the Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy under the Indenture, unless:

- (i) the Holder has previously given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default;
- (ii) the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute Proceedings with respect to the Event of Default in its own name as Trustee under the Indenture and the Holders have offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with the request;
- (iii) the Trustee for 30 days after its receipt of the notice, request, and offer of indemnity has failed to institute a Proceeding; and
- (iv) no direction inconsistent with the written request has been given to the Trustee during the 30 day period by a Majority of the Controlling Class.

If the Trustee receives conflicting or inconsistent requests and indemnity from two or more groups of Holders of the Controlling Class, each representing less than a Majority of the Controlling Class, the Trustee shall take the action requested by the Holders of the largest percentage in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, notwithstanding any other provisions of the Indenture but subject to such Holders having offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the costs and liabilities that might reasonably be incurred by it in compliance with the request as provided in the Indenture.

## Supplemental Indentures

### *Without Consent of Holders*

Without the consent of the Holders of any Securities (other than with respect to the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class specified in clause (15) below), but with the consent of the parties the consent of which is required as described in the following paragraph, the Co-Issuers, in each instance when authorized by resolutions of the respective Boards of Directors, and the Trustee, at any time and from time to time subject to the requirement provided below with respect to receipt of a Rating Confirmation, may, if, with respect to any matters described in clauses (1) through (23) below, the interests of the Holders of the Securities (except, in the case of clause (12) below, any Holders of Notes subject to the applicable Refinancing) are not materially and adversely affected thereby (the Co-Issuers and the Trustee will be bound by a standard of good faith and fair dealing in making such determination) enter into one or more indentures supplemental to the Indenture, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, for any of the following purposes:

- (1) to evidence the succession of another person to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and the assumption by the successor person of the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Indenture and in the Securities;
- (2) to add to the covenants of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders or to surrender any right in the Indenture conferred on the Co-Issuers;
- (3) to convey, transfer, assign, mortgage, or pledge any property to the Trustee, or add to the conditions, limitations or restrictions on the authorized amount, terms and purposes of the issue, authentication and delivery of the Notes;
- (4) to evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment under the Indenture by a successor Trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of the Indenture necessary to facilitate the administration of the trusts under the Indenture by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of the Indenture;
- (5) to correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of the Indenture, or to better assure, convey, and confirm to the Trustee any property subject or required to be subject to the lien of the Indenture (including all actions appropriate as a result of changes in law) or to subject to the lien of the Indenture any additional property;
- (6) to conform any provision in the Indenture to the related provision in this Offering Memorandum that is intended to be a verbatim recitation of such provision;
- (7) to modify the restrictions on and procedures for resales and other transfers of the Notes to reflect any changes in applicable law (or its interpretation) or to enable the Co-Issuers to rely on any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities Act or the Investment Company Act or to remove restrictions on resale and transfer to the extent not required under the Indenture;
- (8) with the consent of the Servicer, to modify (A) the restrictions on the sales of Collateral Obligations described in "Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations" or (B) with the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld), the Eligibility Criteria described in "Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria" (and the related definitions); *provided* that, for the avoidance of doubt, the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall not be required if such amendment also satisfies the requirements of clause (24) below;

- (9) to make appropriate changes for any Class of Senior Notes to be listed on an exchange other than the ISE;
- (10) otherwise to correct any inconsistency or cure any ambiguity or errors in the Indenture;
- (11) to accommodate the issuance of the Senior Notes in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC or otherwise;
- (12) to accommodate a Refinancing effected pursuant to and in compliance with the terms of the Indenture, provided that no Holders of Notes or Preference Shares are materially adversely affected thereby, other than Holders of Notes subject to such Refinancing;
- (13) to take any appropriate action to prevent the Issuer, the Holders of Securities or the Trustee from becoming subject to withholding or other taxes, fees, or assessments or to prevent the Issuer from being treated as being engaged in a U.S. trade or business or otherwise being subject to U.S. federal, state or local income tax on a net income basis, so long as the action will not cause the Holders of any Securities to be adversely affected to any material extent by any change to the timing, character, or source of the income from the Securities, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion);
- (14) to authorize the appointment of any listing agent, transfer agent, paying agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes appropriate in connection with the listing of any Class of Senior Notes on the ISE or any other stock exchange, and otherwise to amend the Indenture to incorporate any changes required or requested by any governmental authority, stock exchange authority, listing agent, transfer agent, paying agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes in connection with its appointment, so long as the supplemental indenture would not materially and adversely affect any Noteholders, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Notes;
- (15) with the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class, to amend, modify, enter into or accommodate the execution of any contract relating to a Synthetic Security (including posting collateral under a Synthetic Security Agreement) if such particular action is not otherwise permitted under the Indenture;
- (16) to modify certain representations as to Collateral in the Indenture in order that it may be consistent with applicable laws or Rating Agency requirements;
- (17) to evidence any waiver by any Rating Agency as to any requirement or condition, as applicable, of the Rating Agency in the Indenture;
- (18) to facilitate the issuance of participation notes, combination notes, composite securities and other similar securities;
- (19) to facilitate hedging transactions;
- (20) to facilitate the ability of the Issuer to lend collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement;

- (21) to modify any provision to facilitate an exchange of one security for another security of the same issuers that has substantially identical terms except transfer restrictions, including to effect any serial designation relating to the exchange;
- (22) with the consent of the Servicer to enter into any additional agreements not expressly prohibited by the Indenture as well as any amendment, modification, or waiver if the Issuer determines that the amendment, modification, or waiver would not, upon or after becoming effective, materially and adversely affect the rights or interest of the Holders of any Class of Securities, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Servicer, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities; *provided* that, for the avoidance of doubt, this clause (22) shall not permit the Co-Issuers and the Trustee to effect any amendment that expressly requires the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class without such consent;
- (23) to provide for the issuance of additional Preference Shares to the extent permitted by the Preference Share Documents and to extend to such additional Preference Shares the benefits applicable to the Preference Shares under the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents; or
- (24) to prevent the Issuer from becoming an “investment company” as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); *provided* that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer shall have received (A) a Rating Confirmation with respect to such supplemental indenture and (B) a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such supplemental indenture, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

Without the consent of the Servicer, no supplemental indenture may be entered into that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to the Servicer under the Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer. The Trustee is authorized to join in the execution of any such supplemental indenture and to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations that may be in the agreements, but the Trustee should not be obligated to enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee’s own rights, duties, liabilities or immunities under the Indenture or otherwise, except to the extent required by law. Unless notified by a Majority of any Class of Securities that the Class of Securities would be materially and adversely affected, the Trustee may rely on a certificate of the Servicer and an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) as to whether the interests of any Holder of Securities would be materially and adversely affected by any such supplemental indenture.

If any Outstanding Notes are rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee will enter into a supplemental indenture without the consent of Holders only if either (1) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the supplemental indenture or (2) the Servicer and the Holders of 100% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes the ratings on which would be reduced or withdrawn consent to the supplemental indenture. Prior to the entry into any supplemental Indenture with respect to which a Rating Confirmation for one or more Classes of Notes is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Note informing them of such fact.



At the cost of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee will mail to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares), each Rating Agency (for so long as any Notes are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency) and each Hedge Counterparty a copy of any such proposed supplemental indenture at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee (or 60 calendar days before execution in the case of a supplemental indenture for the purpose described in clause (8) above, which shall be identified as such in a certificate of the Servicer delivered to the Trustee before the date on which such notice is required to be given).

*With Consent of Holders*

If the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency, with the consent of (a) the Servicer if the supplemental indenture would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under the Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer, (b) a Majority of each Class of Notes adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of each such Class of Notes and (c) a Majority of the Preference Shares adversely affected thereby, the Trustee and the Co-Issuers may enter into a supplemental indenture to add any provisions to, or change in any manner or eliminate any of the provisions of, the Indenture or modify in any manner the rights of the Holders of the Notes under the Indenture.

Any proposed supplemental indenture that would also necessitate a change to the Issuer Charter (or the memorandum and articles of association of Investors Corp.) may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined therein) has been passed to permit the Issuer's (or Investors Corp.'s) constitutional documents to be altered to conform with such proposed change to the Indenture as certified to the Trustee by the Issuer.

Notwithstanding anything in the Indenture to the contrary, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected thereby and the Holder of each Outstanding Preference Share adversely affected thereby, no supplemental indenture shall:

(i) change the Stated Maturity of the principal of or the due date of any installment of interest on any Note or of any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, reduce the principal amount or the rate of interest on any Note, or the Default Interest Rate or the Redemption Price with respect to any Note or Preference Share, or change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Share may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer, change the provisions of the Indenture relating to the application of proceeds of any Collateral to the payment of principal of or interest on Notes or to payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, or change any place where, or the coin or currency in which, Notes or their principal or interest are paid or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after their Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the applicable Redemption Date);

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class or Holders of Preference Shares whose consent is required for the authorization of any such supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of the Indenture or certain defaults under the Indenture or their consequences provided for in the Indenture;

(iii) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on a parity with the lien of the Indenture with respect to any part of the Collateral or terminate the lien on any property at any time subject hereto or deprive the Holder of any Note of the security afforded by the lien of the Indenture;

(iv) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class whose consent is required to request the Trustee to retain the Collateral pursuant to the Indenture or to sell or liquidate the Collateral pursuant to the Indenture;

(v) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture with respect to supplemental indentures or to provide that certain other provisions of the Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note and Preference Share affected thereby;

(vi) modify the definition of "Outstanding," "Controlling Class," or "Majority," or the Priority of Payments in the Indenture; or

(vii) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of Redemption Price or of interest or principal on any Note or any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the payment of dividends or other payments on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date or to affect the rights of the Holders of Notes or Preference Shares to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of the Notes or the Preference Shares contained in the Indenture.

Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the above provision, the Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, will mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) a copy of such proposed supplemental indenture and will request any required consent from the applicable Holders of Securities to be given within the Initial Consent Period. Any consent given to a proposed supplemental indenture by the Holder of any Securities will be irrevocable and binding on all future Holders or beneficial owners of that Security, irrespective of the execution date of the supplemental indenture. If the Holders of less than the required percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the relevant Securities consent to a proposed supplemental indenture within the Initial Consent Period, on the first Business Day after the Initial Consent Period, the Trustee will notify the Issuer and the Servicer which Holders of Securities have consented to the proposed supplemental indenture and, which Holders (and, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the Trustee, which beneficial owners) have not consented to the proposed supplemental indenture. If it intends to exercise its Amendment Buy-Out Option, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must so notify the Trustee (which notice will designate a date for the Amendment Buy-Out to occur no earlier than 10 Business Days after the date of such notice) no later than five Business Days after the Servicer is so notified by the Trustee and the Trustee will promptly mail such notice to all Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares). Any Non-Consenting Holder may give consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture until the 5<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the date of the Amendment Buy-Out designated by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and in such case will cease to be a Non-Consenting Holder for purposes of the Amendment Buy-Out. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser exercises its Amendment Buy-Out Option and purchases the applicable Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, as Holder or beneficial owner of the applicable Securities, may consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture within five Business Days of the Amendment Buy-Out.

It is not necessary for any Act of Noteholders under the above provision to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if the Act or consent approves its substance.

The Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, will mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency a copy of any supplemental indenture promptly after its execution by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee.

### **Additional Issuance of Preference Shares**

The Preference Share Documents will provide that, at any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the proceeds from such issuance and sale to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or as otherwise permitted under the Preference Share Documents and the Indenture; *provided* that the following conditions are met: (a) the terms of the Preference Shares issued must be identical to the terms of previously issued Preference Shares and (b) the net proceeds of any additional Preference Shares are used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations. Such additional Preference Shares may be offered and sold at prices that differ from the initial offering prices of the outstanding Preference Shares; *provided* that the initial offering prices of additional Preference Shares shall not be below 100% of the face amount thereof. The Issuer must cause purchases of additional Preference Shares made pursuant to an additional issuance of Preference Shares to comply individually and in the aggregate with the applicable purchase and transfer restrictions for the Preference Shares set forth herein in "Transfer Restrictions" and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

Any additional Preference Shares issued will, to the extent reasonably practicable, be offered by the Issuer first to the existing Holders of the Preference Shares, in such amounts as are necessary to preserve their *pro rata* holdings of the Preference Shares. By its acceptance of the Preference Shares, each Holder of a Preference Share agrees that additional Preference Shares can be issued in accordance with the Preference Share Documents and the Indenture without consent of any Holder of the Securities.

It is expected that Investors Corp. will finance the purchase of any additional Class I Preference Shares issued by the Issuer by issuing additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such additional Class I Preference Shares purchased by it.

Except as contemplated in connection with a Refinancing, the Indenture does not permit the issuance of additional Class A-1a Notes, Class A-1b Notes, Class A-2 Notes, Class B Notes, Class C Notes or Class D Notes or other obligations with terms similar to those of such Classes of Notes. See "—Redemption by Refinancing".

### **Amendment Buy-Out**

In the case of any supplemental indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Securities held by such Holders of the Class of Securities whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture or, with respect to any Class I Preference Shares held by Investors Corp. if the consent of the Holders of Holding Preference Shares has been solicited, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holders all Holding Preference Shares held by such Holders (the "**Amendment Buy-Out Option**"), in each case, for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; *provided, however*, that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser may not exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option during the Non-Call Period in connection with a proposed amendment to reduce the rate of interest on any Securities or to change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Shares may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all such Securities of Non-Consenting Holders and all such Holding Preference Shares of the Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holders, as the case may be, in each case, for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an "**Amendment Buy-Out**"); *provided* that if any Non-Consenting Holder holds Class II Preference Shares, (i) such Non-Consenting Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to Investors Corp. and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares, (ii) Investors Corp. will issue additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such redesignated Preference Shares purchased by it and (iii) the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser will purchase

such additional Holding Preference Shares in lieu of such redesignated Preference Shares. By its acceptance of its Securities under the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents, as applicable, each Holder of Securities agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder and any Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder will be required to sell its applicable Transaction Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser. Neither the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser nor any other Person shall have any liability to any Holder or beneficial owner of Transaction Securities as a result of an election by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser not to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option.

All purchases made pursuant to an Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Transaction Securities set forth herein in “Transfer Restrictions” or in the Investors Corp. Offering Memorandum, as applicable, and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

In addition, the Servicer has agreed with one or more Multiple Class Holders to purchase, at the option of each such Multiple Class Holder, Securities (or Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be) held or, in the case of Notes represented by Global Notes, beneficially owned by such Multiple Class Holder in connection with an Amendment Buy-Out, if such Securities (or Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be) are not subject to such Amendment Buy-Out and other Securities (or Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be) held or beneficially owned by such Multiple Class Holder are subject to such Amendment Buy-Out. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—An Amendment Buy-Out May Result in a Short holding Period Than Expected”.

## **Notices**

Notices to the Holders of the Securities will be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the registered Holders of the Notes at their respective addresses appearing in the Indenture Register, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares). If and for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the ISE and the rules of the exchange so require, notice will also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

Any Holder or beneficial owner of any Class A-1 Notes may elect to acquire bond insurance, a surety bond, a credit default swap or similar credit enhancement supporting the payment of principal and/or interest on such Class A-1 Notes on terms and conditions acceptable to such Holder or beneficial owner and at the sole expense of such Holder or beneficial owner. On or after any such acquisition, such Holder or beneficial owner may deliver notice (and if from a beneficial owner, any such notice shall include certification that such owner is a beneficial owner of the Class A-1 Notes) to the Trustee in substantially the form set out in the Indenture, specifying the name and contact information of the insurer, surety, credit protection seller or enhancer of such Class A-1 Notes (each, an “**Insurer**”). After receipt of any such notice by the Trustee, the Trustee shall copy the related Insurer on all notices, reports or other documents delivered to the Noteholders.

## **Certain Covenants**

The Indenture contains certain covenants restricting the conduct of the Co-Issuers, including (i) restrictions on consolidations, mergers and transfers or conveyances of assets involving either Co-Issuer, (ii) restrictions on incurrence of debt other than the Notes and certain obligations incidental to the performance by each Co-Issuer of its obligations under the Indenture, (iii) restrictions on the ability of either Co-Issuer to conduct activities inconsistent with its special-purpose nature and (iv) certain restrictions on amendments of the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Servicing Agreement.

### **Certain Additional Issues Relating to Listing of Senior Notes**

Application will be made to admit each Class of Senior Notes to the Official List of the ISE. There can be no assurance that any such admission will be granted or maintained.

The Indenture provides that, so long as any Senior Notes remain Outstanding, the Co-Issuers shall use all reasonable efforts to obtain and maintain the listing of the Senior Notes on the regulated market of the ISE; *provided* that the Co-Issuers will not be required to maintain a listing on a stock exchange in the European Union if compliance with requirements of the European Commission on a member state becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer.

### **Cancellation**

All Securities that are paid in full or redeemed and surrendered for cancellation will forthwith be canceled and may not be reissued or resold.

### **No Gross-Up**

All payments made by the Issuer under the Securities will be made without any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax unless the deduction or withholding is required by any applicable law, as modified by the practice of any relevant governmental revenue authority, then in effect. If the Issuer is so required to deduct or withhold, then the Issuer will not be obligated to pay any additional amounts in respect of the withholding or deduction.

### **Petitions for Bankruptcy**

The Indenture provides that the Trustee, each Hedge Counterparty, the Servicer and the Holders of the Notes may not cause the Issuer or Co-Issuer to petition for bankruptcy before one year and one day have elapsed since the final payments to the Holders of all Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, including any period established pursuant to the laws of the Cayman Islands.

### **Standard of Conduct**

The Indenture provides that, in exercising any of its or their voting rights, rights to direct and consent or any other rights as a Noteholder under the Indenture, subject to the terms and conditions of the Indenture, a Noteholder shall not have any obligation or duty to any Person or to consider or take into account the interests of any Person and shall not be liable to any Person for any action taken by it or them or at its or their direction or any failure by it or them to act or to direct that an action be taken, without regard to whether the action or inaction benefits or adversely affects any Noteholder, the Issuer, or any other Person, except for any liability to which the Noteholder may be subject to the extent the same results from the Noteholder's taking or directing an action, or failing to take or direct an action, in bad faith or in violation of the express terms of the Indenture.

### **Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture**

The Indenture will be discharged with respect to the Collateral upon delivery to the Trustee for cancellation of all of the Notes, or, within certain limitations (including the obligation to pay interest on or principal of the Notes) upon deposit with the Trustee of funds sufficient for the payment or redemption thereof and the payment by the Co-Issuers or the Issuer, as applicable, of all other amounts due under the Indenture.

### **Trustee**

Investors Bank & Trust Company will be the Trustee under the Indenture. The Co-Issuers, the Servicer and their respective Affiliates may maintain other banking relationships in the ordinary course of business with the Trustee and its Affiliates. The payment of the fees and expenses of the Trustee relating

to the Notes is solely the obligation of the Issuer. The payment of the fees and expenses, which will be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments, is secured by a lien on the Collateral which is senior to the lien of the Holders of the Notes. The Trustee and its Affiliates may receive compensation in connection with the purchase of trust assets in certain Eligible Investments as provided in the Indenture. Eligible Investments may include assets for which the Trustee or its Affiliates provide services. The Indenture contains provisions for the indemnification of the Trustee for any loss, liability or expense (including reasonable attorney's fees and costs) incurred without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of the Indenture.

Pursuant to the Indenture, as security for the payment by the Issuer of the compensation and expenses of the Trustee and any sums the Trustee may be entitled to receive as indemnification by the Issuer, the Issuer will grant the Trustee a senior lien on the Collateral, which is senior to the lien of the holders of the Secured Obligations on the Collateral.

Pursuant to the Indenture, the Trustee may resign at any time by providing 30 days' written notice to the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Holders of each Class of Notes, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency, upon receipt of which the Co-Issuers shall, at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, promptly appoint a successor trustee that meets the requirements set forth in the Indenture. If no successor trustee is appointed within 60 days after such notice, the resigning Trustee or any Holder of a Class of Notes may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of such successor. The Trustee may be removed (i) at any time by a Majority of the Controlling Class or (ii) by order of a court of competent jurisdiction. If at any time the Trustee ceases to be an eligible trustee under the Indenture and fails to resign after written request by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class, or the Trustee becomes incapable of acting or is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent, then (A) the Co-Issuers may, and at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall, remove the Trustee, or (B) any Holder of a Security may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor trustee. If the Trustee is removed or becomes incapable of acting, or if a vacancy occurs in the office of the Trustee for any reason (other than resignation), the Co-Issuers shall promptly appoint a successor trustee. If the Co-Issuers fail to appoint a successor trustee within 60 days after the removal or incapability or the occurrence of the vacancy, a successor trustee may be appointed by a Majority of the Controlling Class by written instrument. If no successor trustee has been so appointed by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class, then the Trustee to be replaced or any Holder of a Security, may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor trustee. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, no resignation or removal of the Trustee will become effective until the acceptance of appointment by a successor trustee pursuant to the terms of the Indenture.

### **Governing Law**

The Notes, the Indenture, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Subscription Agreements, the Securities Lending Agreements, and the Hedge Agreements will be governed by the laws of the State of New York. The Administration Agreement and the Issuer Charter will be governed by the laws of the Cayman Islands.

### **Method of Payments**

Payments of principal and interest on any Note or payments on or in respect of the Preference Shares (including any Redemption Price paid on the applicable Redemption Date) and of any payments on any Notes or Preference Shares will be made to the person in whose name the related Note or Preference Share is registered fifteen days before the applicable Payment Date (the "**Record Date**"). Payments will be made (i) in the case of a Global Note, to the Depository or its designee and to the Holder or its nominee with respect to a Definitive Security, by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a United States dollar account maintained by the Depository or its nominee with respect to a Global Note and to the Holder or its designee with respect to a Definitive Security if the Holder has

provided written wiring instructions to the Trustee and, if the payment is to be made by the Irish Paying Agent, the Irish Paying Agent on or before the related Record Date or, (ii) if appropriate wiring instructions are not received by the related Record Date, by check drawn on a U.S. bank mailed to the address of the Holder in the Indenture Register (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Preference Share register). Final payments of principal of the Notes or Preference Shares will be made against surrender of the related Notes or Preference Shares at the office designated by the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent. None of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, any paying agent, or any of their respective affiliates will have any responsibility or liability for any aspects of the records maintained by the Depository or its nominee or any of its direct or indirect participants (including Euroclear or Clearstream or any of their respective direct or indirect participants) relating to payments made on account of beneficial interests in a Global Note.

The Co-Issuers expect that the Depository or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment of principal or interest in respect of a Global Note held by the Depository or its nominee, will immediately credit participants' accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the Global Note as shown on the records of the Depository or its nominee. The Co-Issuers also expect that payments by participants (i.e., direct participants) to owners of beneficial interests in a Global Note held through the participants (i.e., indirect participants) will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers registered in the names of nominees for the customers. The payments will be the responsibility of the participants.

For so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the ISE and the rules of the exchange shall so require, the Issuer and the Co-Issuers, as applicable, will have the Irish Paying Agent for the Senior Notes in Ireland and payments on the Senior Notes may be effected through the Irish Paying Agent. If the Irish Paying Agent is replaced at any time during the period, notice of the appointment of any replacement will be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

## **Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement**

### *General*

Pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agent will perform various fiscal services with respect to the Preference Shares on behalf of the Issuer, including the maintenance of the Preference Shares Distribution Account and the making of distributions on the Preference Shares. The Preference Shares Paying Agent will deliver or request the Trustee to deliver all Monthly Reports and Valuation Reports prepared pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deliver, or shall cause the Trustee to deliver, a copy of any other notice or information it receives from the Trustee under the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case (i) by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to each Holder of a Preference Share at the address appearing in the Preference Share register or (ii) with respect to delivery of Monthly Reports and Valuation Reports, by making such reports available via its internet website, initially located at <http://www.cdocalc.com/ibt/cdo/>. All information made available on the Preference Shares Paying Agent's website will be restricted and the Preference Shares Paying Agent will only provide access to such reports to those parties entitled thereto pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. In connection with providing access to its website, the Preference Shares Paying Agent may require registration and the acceptance of a disclaimer. Questions regarding the Preference Shares Paying Agent's website can be directed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent's customer service desk at (617) 937-5585. The payment of the fees and expenses of the Preference Shares Paying Agent is solely the obligation of the Issuer. The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement contains provisions for the indemnification of the Preference Shares Paying Agent for any loss, liability or expense incurred without gross negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith on its part, arising out of or in connection with the performance of its function under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

*Redemption*

On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Issuer is scheduled to redeem the Preference Shares for a redemption price equal to all amounts distributable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares as provided under “—Priority of Payments,” unless the Preference Shares have been redeemed earlier through an optional redemption as described herein or otherwise.

*Governing Law*

The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York. The rights of the Holders of the Preference Shares will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the Cayman Islands.

*Redesignation of Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares*

The Share Registrar will record in the register maintained by it which Preference Shares are held by HFP or any of its subsidiaries. Such Preference Shares will be designated by the Share Registrar as Class II Preference Shares. HFP and its subsidiaries will agree not to transfer any of the Class II Preference Shares to any third party other than Investors Corp. Any transfer of Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to Investors Corp. will require redesignation by the Share Registrar of such Class II Preference Shares into Class I Preference Shares and any transfer of Class I Preference Shares to HFP or any of its subsidiaries from Investors Corp. will require redesignation by the Share Registrar of such Class I Preference Shares into Class II Preference Shares. Investors Corp. will finance the purchase of any Class II Preference Shares to be redesignated in connection with such transfer by issuing additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such Class II Preference Shares.

*Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities*

If the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, desires to make distributions of Eligible Equity Securities on any Payment Date in lieu of Interest Proceeds that are otherwise available for distribution to the Holders of Preference Shares on such Payment Date pursuant to the Priority of Payments, the Servicer will notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent not later than 20 calendar days prior to such Payment Date and provide the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding on the Record Date or promptly thereafter, but in any event no later than two Business Days after the Record Date, to each Holder of the Preference Shares registered as such on the Record Date for such Payment Date) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding on the Record Date or promptly thereafter, but in any event no later than two Business Days after the Record Date, to each Holder of the Holding Preference Shares registered as such on the Record Date for such Payment Date) with (i) details of the Eligible Equity Securities to be distributed, (ii) the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities determined as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date, (iii) any other information considered necessary by the Servicer in connection with such proposed distribution and (iv) any information as otherwise required by the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and/or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such proposed distribution. The Preference Shares Paying Agent will then mail such materials, within two Business Days of its receipt thereof from the Servicer, to each registered Holder of Preference Shares on the Record Date for such Payment Date along with a form of notice and consent (in a form attached to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement) seeking the written consent of each such Holder of Preference Shares to distribute such Eligible Equity Securities to such Holder in lieu of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date. Each Holder of the Preference Shares wishing to receive such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of a distribution of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such applicable Payment Date (each such Holder with respect to such Payment Date, a “**Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares**”) must deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent a written consent (which consent will be irrevocable) not later than five Business Days prior to such Payment Date. If any Holder of Preference Shares does



not timely deliver its written consent to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in the manner set forth in such notice indicating its consent to the receipt of such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of a distribution of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date, such Holder will be deemed to have not given its consent and shall not be a Consenting Holder of Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. On each applicable Payment Date (or as soon thereafter as reasonably practicable), Eligible Equity Securities will be distributed *pro rata* to each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. Each Holder of Preference Shares that is not a Consenting Holder of Preference Shares (and, for the avoidance of doubt, each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares to the extent the Market Value as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date of the *pro rata* portion of Eligible Equity Securities distributed to it on such Payment Date is less than the *pro rata* portion of the Interest Proceeds that it would have received on such Payment Date had the Eligible Equity Securities not been distributed on such Payment Date) on any applicable Payment Date will receive a distribution of Interest Proceeds to the extent available in accordance with the Priority of Payments on such Payment Date. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

#### *Amendment*

*Without the Consent of Holders.* The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement may be amended by the parties thereto, without the consent of the Holders of any Preference Shares, for the purpose of curing any ambiguity, or of curing, correcting or supplementing any defective provision contained therein, or in regard to matters or questions arising under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement as the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem necessary or desirable and which shall not materially adversely affect the interests of Holders of the Preference Shares. In addition, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement may be amended without the consent of any Holders of the Preference Shares and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Preference Shares in order to prevent the Issuer from becoming an “investment company” as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); *provided that*, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such amendment, each of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer shall have received a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such amendment, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

*With the consent of Holders.* Unless otherwise set forth in the preceding paragraph, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement may be amended with the consent of Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares materially and adversely affected thereby.

Any amendment to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement must be in writing, executed by each party thereto. The Preference Shares Paying Agent is entitled to receive, and (subject to its duties and obligations in the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an opinion of counsel, consent or certificate of the Issuer in determining whether or not any proposed amendment is permitted under Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

Any amendment to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement that would also necessitate a change to the Issuer Charter may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Issuer Charter) has been passed to permit the Issuer Charter to be altered to conform with such proposed amendment.

#### **The Issuer Charter**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Issuer Charter relating to the Preference Shares that are not referred to elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum.

### *Voting Rights*

Other than as provided below, only the holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares shall have the right to receive notice of, attend at and vote as a shareholder of the Issuer at any general meeting of the Issuer. Every holder of an Issuer Ordinary Share present at any meeting shall, on a show of hands, be entitled to one vote and, on a poll, shall be entitled to one vote per Issuer Ordinary Share held by such holder.

Other than as provided below, the Holders of the Preference Shares shall have the right to receive notice of, attend at and vote as a shareholder of the Issuer at any general meeting of the Issuer only in respect of a resolution which relates to any circumstance or matter which under the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents or the Servicing Agreement can take place or occur only at the direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares (a “**Preference Share Vote**”). Every Holder of Preference Shares present shall, on a show of hands, be entitled to one vote and, on a poll, shall be entitled to one vote per Preference Share held by such Holder except that, in relation to a Preference Share Vote relating to certain matters (as set out in the Indenture) Preference Shares held by certain Holders (as set out in the Indenture), shall be ignored.

The Class II Preference Shares will have total control with respect to the appointment and removal of the directors of the Issuer as long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is higher than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date. If the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is lower than or equal to the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date, only the Issuer Ordinary Shares will be entitled to vote with respect to the appointment and removal of the directors of the Issuer.

### *Liquidation*

In the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Issuer:

(i) the Holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares at the time outstanding will be entitled to receive out of the assets of the Issuer available for distribution to shareholders, before any distribution of assets is made to Holders of the Preference Shares, an amount equal to U.S.\$2.00 in respect of each Issuer Ordinary Share held by each such holder; and

(ii) the Holders of the Preference Shares at the time Outstanding will be entitled to the balance of the assets of the Issuer available for distribution to shareholders, after distribution of amounts due to holders of Issuer Ordinary Shares under the above subparagraph, *pro rata* according to the number of Preference Shares held by each such holder.

If the assets available for distribution to holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares are not sufficient to pay to such holders U.S.\$2.00 in respect of each Issuer Ordinary Share, the available assets shall be distributed to holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares *pro rata* according to the number of Issuer Ordinary Shares held by each such holder.

### *Transfer*

The rights of a Holder of a Preference Share to transfer such Preference Share are subject to restrictions set out in the Preference Share Documents and as described in “Transfer Restrictions.”

### *Petitions for Bankruptcy*

Each Holder of a Preference Share will be required to agree (or be deemed to have agreed) not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect.

## USE OF PROCEEDS

The Securities will be issued and sold for Cash on the Closing Date. The gross proceeds from the issuance of such Securities on the Closing Date are expected to equal approximately U.S.\$1,495,000,000 and will be used by the Issuer to:

- purchase a portfolio of Collateral Obligations;
- fund the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to cover any future draws on Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans;
- enter into any Hedge Agreements, as applicable;
- enter into any Securities Lending Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the Securities Lending Account);
- enter into Synthetic Security Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the related accounts);
- repurchase participations sold to the Pre-Closing Parties to finance the Issuer's pre-closing acquisition of loans;
- fund the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account;
- pay certain expenses related to the transaction; and
- undertake certain related activities.

## SECURITY FOR THE NOTES

The Notes and the Issuer's obligations under the Hedge Agreements and the Servicing Agreement will be secured by the following:

- (i) the Collateral Obligations and all Workout Assets;
- (ii) the Custodial Account, the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Securities Lending Account (such accounts, collectively, the "**Issuer Accounts**"), Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, and all income from funds in the Issuer Accounts;
- (iii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account (and together with the Issuer Accounts, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the "**Accounts**") and assets included therein, subject to the terms of the related Synthetic Security (*provided, however*, that any such rights in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee (or securities intermediary) first to secure the Issuer's payment obligations to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty and second for the benefit of the Secured Parties);
- (iv) the Servicing Agreement, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Securities Lending Agreements and all Securities Lending Collateral and the Securities Lending Account, the Hedge Agreements as set forth in the Indenture and all Collateral securing the Hedge Counterparty's obligations thereunder including, without limitation, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account and the Collateral Administration Agreement to the extent of any rights of the Issuer therein;
- (v) all Cash or money delivered to the Trustee (or its bailee); and

- (vi) all proceeds with respect to the foregoing (collectively, the “**Collateral**”).

For the avoidance of any doubt, Collateral will exclude (i) amounts released from the Trustee’s lien in connection with certain Synthetic Securities, Hedge Agreements and Securities Lending Agreements in accordance with the Indenture and (ii) the Excluded Property.

### **Purchase of Collateral Obligations**

The Indenture will provide that the Servicer will use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the Issuer to purchase or enter into binding commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations that meet certain minimum amounts and characteristics. The composition of the portfolio of Collateral Obligations will be determined by the selections of the Servicer designed to meet the Eligibility Criteria, the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests and the requirements provided in paragraphs (i) through (ix) in “—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations.” See “—Eligibility Criteria,” “—The Collateral Quality Tests,” “—The Coverage Tests” and “—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations.”

The Servicer expects that, by the end of the Ramp-Up Period, the Issuer will have purchased or committed to purchase Collateral Obligations having an Aggregate Principal Balance of approximately \$1,471,900,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date).

### **Eligibility Criteria**

On any date during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, on any date after the Replacement Period), so long as no Event of Default is continuing, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to apply Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations) to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer’s purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) if the conditions specified in the Indenture are satisfied. No obligations may be purchased unless each of the conditions in the following clauses (1) through (12) (the “**Eligibility Criteria**”) is satisfied as evidenced by a certificate of the Servicer as of the date the Issuer commits to make the purchase, in each case after giving effect to the purchase and all other purchases and sales previously or simultaneously committed to:

- (1) the obligation is a Collateral Obligation;
- (2) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period:
  - (A) each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied and, if the commitment is made on or after the second Payment Date, each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied; or
  - (B) if any such Coverage Test is not satisfied, both:
    - (i) the extent of satisfaction of the Coverage Test is not reduced; and
    - (ii) the Collateral Obligation is being purchased with Principal Proceeds other than:
      - (x) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or

- (y) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Workout Asset that has been received in exchange for a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
- (3) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Diversity Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (4) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (5) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, each of the limits in the definition of "Concentration Limitations" is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (6) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (7) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (8) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (9) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (10) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (11) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced; *provided, however*, that this Eligibility Criterion (11) shall not apply either to the application of the proceeds from the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset or to the application of Principal Proceeds in respect of Defaulted Collateral Obligations; and
- (12) for any date occurring after the Replacement Period:
  - (A) each Coverage Test is satisfied and the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
  - (B) each Collateral Quality Test is maintained or improved and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied;
  - (C) each Concentration Limitation is maintained or improved and the Aggregate Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations do not exceed 7.5% of the Maximum Amount;
  - (D) the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied;
  - (E) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation is at least equal to the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments or of the Credit Risk Obligations or Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable; and

(F) the current Moody's Rating on Class A-1a Notes is "Aaa" and the current Moody's Ratings on the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes are no lower than one subcategory below their initial rating.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) one or more Collateral Obligations may be purchased pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange effected in compliance with "—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations—Credit Improved Obligations" regardless of whether such purchase would otherwise satisfy the Eligibility Criterion set forth in clause (12) above and (ii) the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to purchase any Collateral Obligation following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal or resignation pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement until a successor servicer is appointed pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement. See "The Servicing Agreement."

The Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, exchange a Collateral Obligation for another Collateral Obligation in an exchange of one security for another security of the same issuers that has substantially identical terms except transfer restrictions.

Cash on deposit in the Collection Account may be held in Eligible Investments in accordance with this "Eligibility Criteria" section pending the application thereof to purchase Collateral Obligations.

The Indenture provides that any sale or purchase by the Issuer of a Collateral Obligation shall be conducted on an arm's length basis and, if effected with the Servicer or a person Affiliated with the Servicer or any fund or account for which the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer acts as investment adviser, shall be effected in accordance with the requirements the Servicing Agreement on terms no less favorable to the Issuer than would be the case if the person were not so Affiliated.

### **The Collateral Quality Tests**

The Collateral Quality Tests will be used primarily as criteria for purchasing Collateral Obligations. See "—Eligibility Criteria" above and "—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations" below. The Collateral Quality Tests are described below.

Measurement of the degree of compliance with the Collateral Quality Tests will be required on each Measurement Date on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

#### *The Diversity Test*

The "**Diversity Test**" is a test that will be satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Diversity Score as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score. For the purposes of calculating the Diversity Test, any Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation will be disregarded.

#### *Weighted Average Life Test*

The "**Weighted Average Life Test**" is a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the greater of (a) the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and May 1, 2017 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date and (b) 4.0 years.

#### *Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test*

The "**Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test**" is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 43.63%.

*Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test*

The “**Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test**” is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 52.28%.

“**S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate**” is a rate, as of any Measurement Date, equal to the number obtained by:

- (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate;
- (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations; and
- (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

*Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test*

The “**Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test**” is a test that is satisfied if, as of any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 7.5%.

*Weighted Average Spread Test*

The “**Weighted Average Spread Test**” is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread.

*Weighted Average Rating Factor Test*

The “**Weighted Average Rating Factor Test**” is a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of the Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor.

*S&P CDO Monitor Test*

The “**S&P CDO Monitor Test**” is a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive. The S&P CDO Monitor Test shall be considered to be improved if each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is at least equal to the corresponding Note Class Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio. The S&P CDO Monitor Test is not required to be satisfied or improved upon the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation and the application of the related Sale Proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations. For purposes of the S&P CDO Monitor Test:

- (i) the S&P Rating of any S&P Unrated DIP Loan shall be “CCC”; and
- (ii) the S&P Industry Classification for a Synthetic Security shall be that of the related Reference Obligation and not the Synthetic Security.

The “**Note Class Loss Differential**” with respect to any Measurement Date and any Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the rate calculated by subtracting the Class Scenario Loss Rate for the Class from the then-applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate for the Class of Notes.

The “**Note Break-Even Loss Rate**” with respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the maximum percentage of defaults that the Current Portfolio or Proposed Portfolio can sustain and

nevertheless sufficient funds will remain for the payment of principal of the Class of Notes in full by its Stated Maturity and the timely payment of interest on the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes and the Class A-2 Notes and the ultimate payment of interest on the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes using S&P's assumptions on recoveries, defaults, and timing, and taking into account the Priority of Payments and the adjusted Weighted Average Spread level specified in the applicable row of the table below. The adjusted Weighted Average Spread as of any Measurement Date is the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date *minus* the amount of any Spread Excess added to the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon as of the Measurement Date.

Row	Adjusted Weighted Average Spread
1	Greater than or equal to 3.05%
2	Greater than or equal to 2.95% but less than 3.05%
3	Greater than or equal to 2.85% but less than 2.95%
4	Greater than or equal to 2.75% but less than 2.85%
5	Greater than or equal to 2.65% but less than 2.75%
6	Greater than or equal to 2.55% but less than 2.65%
7	Greater than or equal to 2.45% but less than 2.55%
8	Greater than or equal to 2.35% but less than 2.45%
9	Greater than or equal to 2.25% but less than 2.35%

## The Coverage Tests

### *General*

The Coverage Tests will be used to determine, among other things, whether Notes will be redeemed in certain circumstances as described under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments” and whether additional Collateral Obligations may be acquired as described under “—Eligibility Criteria.” There will not be any Coverage Test applicable to the Preference Shares.

### *The Overcollateralization Tests*

The “**Overcollateralization Tests**” will consist of the Class A Overcollateralization Test, the Class B Overcollateralization Test, the Class C Overcollateralization Test and the Class D Overcollateralization Test.

Each Overcollateralization Test will be satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes on any Measurement Date if, as of such Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the specified required level for the Class indicated in the table in “Summary of Terms—The Overcollateralization Tests.”

The Overcollateralization Ratio, with respect to each Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, is referred to as an “**Overcollateralization Ratio**,” and is the ratio calculated by *dividing*:

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator; by
- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it (excluding any Deferred Interest on the Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it).



The “**Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator**” is, on any date, the sum of:

- (1) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (other than any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, any Deep Discount Obligations and any Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an “event of default” (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing); *plus*
- (2) unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal (excluding any unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal in respect of Non-Performing Collateral Obligations); *plus*
- (3) the Aggregate Principal Balance of any Eligible Investments that were purchased with Principal Proceeds and the amount of Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
- (4) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Eligible Investments on deposit in a Securities Lending Account that relate to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an “event of default” (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing; *plus*
- (5) with respect Collateral Obligation that are Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, Deep Discount Obligations or Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, the amount determined by using one of the following methods applicable to such type of Collateral Obligation; *provided* that if a Collateral Obligation falls within more than one of such types, the Issuer will be required to use the method that results in the smallest amount:
  - (A) with respect to any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, an amount equal to the product of (i) the lower of (1) 70% and (2) the CCC+/Caa1 Excess Market Value Percentage, *multiplied* by (ii) the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations;
  - (B) with respect to any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, the aggregate of the Applicable Collateral Obligation Amounts for all included Non-Performing Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations that have been held by the Issuer for more than three years, which shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this clause (B)); and
  - (C) with respect to any Deep Discount Obligations, the Aggregate Purchase Price Amount for all Deep Discount Obligations.

“**Applicable Collateral Obligation Amount**” for any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation means:

- (1) the lesser of (x) the Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation and (y) the Applicable Percentage for the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation *multiplied* by:
- (2) if the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation is:
  - (A) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (B) through (D) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
  - (B) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;

- (C) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and
- (D) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

As used in the calculation of Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation, the Principal Balance of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall be, if the Defaulted Collateral Obligation is:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (ii) through (iv) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and
- (iv) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

*The Interest Coverage Tests*

The Interest Coverage Test in respect of each Class of Notes (each an "**Interest Coverage Test**") is a test the first Measurement Date for which will be on the second Payment Date and that is satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level specified in the table in "Summary of Terms— The Interest Coverage Tests."

The "**Interest Coverage Ratio**" with respect to any specified Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by dividing:

- (i) the sum of:
  - (A) the Interest Proceeds received or scheduled to be received with respect to the Due Period in which the Measurement Date occurs; *minus*
  - (B) amounts payable under clauses (1), (2), (3) and (4) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" on the related Payment Date; by
- (ii) all accrued and unpaid interest on the specified Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to the Class, including any Deferred Interest on the related Payment Date.

For purposes of the Interest Coverage Ratio, only the amount of any interest payment (including any "gross up" payment) on any Collateral Obligation in excess of any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction on any date of determination shall be included in Interest Proceeds.

*Retention Overcollateralization Test*

The "**Retention Overcollateralization Test**" is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date during the Replacement Period on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Retention Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 103.2%.

## Ramp-Up

In connection with the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer shall use its best efforts to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period or enter into commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period for purchase on or as soon as practicable thereafter (not to exceed 60 days thereafter), in each case, for inclusion in the Collateral so that the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A Notes is at least U.S.\$1,471,900,000.

No Collateral Obligations may be purchased prior to the Ramp-Up Completion Date unless immediately following the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (as certified by the Servicer in writing), the remaining funds in the Collection Account, after giving effect to such purchase, are sufficient as of the date of determination to purchase Collateral Obligations for inclusion in the Collateral so that the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A Notes is at least U.S.\$1,471,900,000 (taking into account the Collateral Obligations already part of the Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date)).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, or any other provision of the Indenture, if the Issuer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase a Collateral Obligation to be included in the Collateral, such commitment initially not to exceed 60 days, and at the time of the commitment the Collateral Obligation complied with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set forth under "—Ramp-Up," the Issuer may consummate the purchase of the Collateral Obligation notwithstanding that the Collateral Obligation fails to comply with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set out above on the date of settlement.

The Issuer will use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase, or to enter into binding agreements to purchase, Collateral Obligations by the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that, together with the Collateral Obligations purchased on or before the Closing Date and then held by the Issuer, will satisfy, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date), the Collateral Quality Tests, the Concentration Limitations, the criteria set forth in the Indenture and the Overcollateralization Tests.

Within 5 Business Days after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer or the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) shall request a S&P Rating Confirmation and shall provide a report to the Rating Agencies identifying the Collateral Obligations then included in the Collateral and the Issuer shall obtain and deliver to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies, together with the delivery of a report (and, with respect to S&P, the Excel Default Model Input File and, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, the name of the obligor thereon, the CUSIP number thereof (if applicable) and the S&P Priority Category thereof) substantially in the form of a Monthly Report as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, an accountants' certificate:

(i) confirming the maturity date, rating, spread and recovery rate for each item of original Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date and the information provided by the Issuer with respect to every other asset included in the Collateral, by reference to such sources as shall be specified therein;

(ii) confirming that as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date:

(1) each of the Coverage Tests are satisfied;

(2) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owned or committed to purchase as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date is at least equal to the Maximum Amount; and

(3) the Collateral Obligations comply with all of the requirements of the Collateral Quality Tests and the Concentration Limitations and the criteria set forth in “—Eligibility Criteria”; and

(iii) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing statements.

If a Rating Confirmation Failure should occur, the Notes will be redeemed pursuant to the Indenture and as described in “Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes upon Rating Confirmation Failure.”

### **Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations**

Pursuant to the Indenture and so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell (and the Trustee will sell) any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset if the sale meets the requirements in paragraphs (i) through (ix) below:

- (i) *Credit Risk Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Risk Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Risk Obligation in accordance with such direction. Following any sale of a Credit Risk Obligation pursuant to the Indenture, at the direction of the Servicer during the Replacement Period, the Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (to the extent the purchase is in the best interest of the Issuer) meeting the Eligibility Criteria with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Sale Proceeds received by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral Obligation sold. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount.
- (ii) *Credit Improved Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Improved Obligation if either:
  - (1) during the Replacement Period, the Servicer has identified in writing before the sale one or more specific manners in which it will be able, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria and the requirements set forth in paragraph (ix) below, to cause the Issuer to use the Sale Proceeds (it being understood that such identification shall not be considered either a requirement or an assurance that any specified purchase will be consummated) to purchase one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Credit Improved Obligation by the end of the immediately succeeding Due Period (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest) which in aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Tests, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith being improved, (ii) the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests and Concentration Limitations being improved on a net basis in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not

being violated or, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased; or

- (2) after the Replacement Period, the Sale Proceeds received in respect of the Credit Improved Obligation are at least equal to its Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest);

and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Improved Obligation in accordance with such direction.

- (iii) *Non-Performing Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction. Non-Performing Collateral Obligations may be sold regardless of price.
- (iv) *Non-qualifying Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation (the “**Non-Qualifying Collateral Obligation**”) at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell that obligation in accordance with such direction.
- (v) *Withholding Tax Sales.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation subject to withholding tax at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction.
- (vi) *Optional Redemption.* After the Issuer has notified the Trustee of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all or a portion of the Collateral Obligations as contemplated therein if (A) the requirements in respect of an Optional Redemption under the Indenture have been satisfied and (B) the independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to the Indenture have confirmed the calculations contained in any required certificate furnished by the Servicer pursuant to the Indenture’s Note redemption procedure provisions. After the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares have directed an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Indenture, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all of the remaining Collateral Obligations (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to clause (i) under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares”) or a portion of the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous directions of Holders of the Preference Shares (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to clause (ii) under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares”) and the Trustee shall sell the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.
- (vii) *Rating Confirmation Failure.* After the Servicer has received notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody’s and S&P to confirm the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Securities, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell Collateral Obligations as contemplated in the Indenture and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

- (viii) *Workout Assets.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Workout Asset at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and regardless of price and the Trustee shall sell the Workout Assets in accordance with such direction.
- (ix) *Supervening Requirement.* Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Issuer (at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise) will not acquire or dispose of a Collateral Obligation or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. For the avoidance of doubt, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise, may direct the Trustee to sell any CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation or Deep Discount Obligation only (a) if it constitutes Credit Risk Obligation or Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or (b) in connection with the Optional Redemption as set out in paragraph (vi) above. The Trustee will have no obligation to monitor compliance by the Issuer or the Servicer with respect to the requirement set out in this paragraph.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation (other than the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation or a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation pursuant to a sale that meets the requirements in paragraph (i) or (iii) above, as applicable) following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement until a successor servicer is appointed pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement. See "The Servicing Agreement."

#### **Certain Determinations Relating to Collateral Obligations**

The Indenture provides that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained therein, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have purchased any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to purchase, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to receive such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have acquired, granted or delivered, as the case may be, such Collateral Obligations on such date.

The Indenture provides that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained therein, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to sell, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to sell, and requiring the purchaser to purchase, such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold such Collateral Obligations on such date.

Under the circumstances described in the two preceding paragraphs, if the transaction contemplated by the contract, commitment letter, confirmation or due bill referred to therein does not settle on or before the 60<sup>th</sup> day following the scheduled settlement date (the "**Deadline**"), the deemed purchase or sale shall be deemed not to have occurred; *provided, however*, that the Servicer shall have the right to extend the Deadline for an additional period (not to exceed an additional 60 days) by notice to the Trustee, which notice shall include the Servicer's certification to the effect that the Servicer believes that the settlement shall occur on or before the extended Deadline.

Scheduled distributions with respect to any Pledged Collateral Obligation shall be determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Indenture.

#### **The Accounts**

The Indenture provides that the Trustee will establish separate segregated non-interest bearing trust accounts, which will be designated as the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Custodial

Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Securities Lending Account and the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account. In addition, Synthetic Security Counterparty Accounts may also be established. Any account may contain any number of subaccounts.

*Collection Account.* The Trustee shall deposit into the “**Collection Account**”:

- (i) any funds transferred from (1) the Closing Date Expense Account pursuant to the Indenture or (2) the Interest Reserve Account pursuant to the Indenture;
- (ii) all Principal Proceeds (unless (1) simultaneously used to purchase Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture, (2) deposited into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or (3) posted by the Issuer as cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer’s purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security or in Eligible Investments) received by the Trustee;
- (iii) all Interest Proceeds received by the Trustee (unless simultaneously used to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture or in Eligible Investments); and
- (iv) all other funds received by the Trustee and not excluded above.

The Issuer and the Servicer may, but will not be required to, jointly deposit from time to time any monies in the Collection Account it deems, in its sole discretion, to be advisable (and may designate any amounts so deposited as Principal Proceeds or Interest Proceeds in its discretion).

Any Principal Proceeds received during the Replacement Period, and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments received after the Replacement Period, which have not been used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations on the Business Day of receipt shall be deposited in the Collection Account and shall at the direction of the Servicer be applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the other requirements set forth in the Indenture or the purchase of Eligible Investments pending such application or used to enter into additional Hedge Agreements or used in connection with a Special Redemption. Principal Proceeds (other than Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations, Credit Risk Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments) received after the Replacement Period shall be deposited into the Collection Account and applied to the purchase of Eligible Investments.

The Collection Account shall be maintained for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer and each Hedge Counterparty and amounts on deposit in the Collection Account will be available for application in the order of priority under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments” and for the acquisition of Collateral Obligations under the circumstances and pursuant to the requirements in the Indenture. Amounts received in the Collection Account during a Due Period and amounts received in prior Due Periods and retained in the Collection Account under the circumstances stated above in “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments” will be applied in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions). All proceeds deposited in the Collection Account will be retained therein unless used to purchase Collateral Obligations during the Replacement Period (or, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period) in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria, to honor commitments with respect thereto entered into during or after the Replacement Period, or used as otherwise permitted under the Indenture. See “—Eligibility Criteria.”

The Trustee shall transfer to the Payment Account from the Collection Account for application pursuant to the Priority of Payments, no later than the Business Day preceding each Payment Date, the amount set forth to be so transferred in the Valuation Report for the Payment Date.

At any time during or after the Replacement Period, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to pay from amounts on deposit in the Collection Account on any Business Day during any Interest Period from Interest Proceeds only, any Administrative Expenses that require payment before the next Payment Date to the extent that the amount of the payments does not exceed the aggregate amount that may be paid on the next payment Date under, and at the level of priority specified by, "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds."

*Custodial Account.* The Trustee will from time to time deposit collateral into the "**Custodial Account**," over which the Trustee will have exclusive control and sole right of withdrawal, in accordance with the Indenture. All assets or securities at any time on deposit in or otherwise to the credit of the Custodial Account will be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer and each Hedge Counterparty.

*Revolving Reserve Account and Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account.* Upon the purchase of any Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, at the direction of the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit Principal Proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account, in the case of a Revolving Loan, and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, in the case of a Delayed Drawdown Loan, each equal to the unfunded commitment amount of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, respectively, and the Principal Proceeds so deposited shall be considered part of the Purchase Price of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan for purposes of the Indenture. At the direction of the Servicer at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall withdraw funds from the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to fund extensions of credit pursuant to Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans, respectively. In addition, to the extent that the Issuer receives proceeds of a repayment in respect of a Revolving Loan (except to the extent of any concurrent commitment reduction) at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall deposit the proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account.

Upon the sale of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan in whole or in part or the reduction in part or termination of the Issuer's commitment thereunder, an amount on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, as the case may be, specified by the Servicer as being equal to (i) the unfunded amount of the commitment (in the case of a sale in whole or a termination of the commitment), (ii) the proportionate amount of the amount on deposit (in the case of a sale in part) or (iii) the amount by which the commitment is reduced (in the case of a reduction thereof in part), shall be transferred by the Trustee to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds.

Amounts on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account will be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) not later than the Business Day after the date of their purchase. All interest and other income from amounts in the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account under the Indenture shall be considered Interest Proceeds in the Due Period in which they are so deposited.

*Synthetic Security Collateral Account.* On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Synthetic Security the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the non-interest bearing trust account established for Synthetic Security Collateral (the "**Synthetic Security Collateral Account**") with respect to the Synthetic Security. All Synthetic Security Collateral posted by any Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Synthetic Security shall be immediately deposited into the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Synthetic Security. On each day on which amounts are payable to the Issuer out of Synthetic Security Collateral, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to withdraw amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in an amount sufficient to make the payment (including any total or partial release of



Synthetic Security Collateral). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be:

- (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty to the Issuer under a Synthetic Security if the Synthetic Security becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the Synthetic Security upon any “event of default” under and as defined in the terms of the Synthetic Security, including liquidating the related Synthetic Security Collateral Account; or
- (ii) to return the Synthetic Security Collateral to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty when and as required by the terms of the Synthetic Security, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account will be held in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities not later than one Business Day after their purchase, as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions), and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.* The Trustee will deposit all collateral received from a Hedge Counterparty under any Hedge Agreement into the “**Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.**” The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account will be (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer under a Hedge Agreement if the Hedge Agreement becomes subject to early termination or (ii) to return collateral to the relevant Hedge Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Hedge Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer. Amounts on deposit in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account will be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Closing Date Expense Account.* Amounts deposited in the “**Closing Date Expense Account**” on the Closing Date will be withdrawn to pay certain administrative expenses of the Co-Issuers. On the Payment Date in August 2007 (or, at the discretion of the Servicer, on the Payment Date in May 2007), the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds and close the Closing Date Expense Account. Amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account shall be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the second Payment Date as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Expense Reimbursement Account.* On any Payment Date and on any date between Payment Dates, the Trustee will apply amounts, if any, in the “**Expense Reimbursement Account**” to the payment of expenses and fees that must be paid between Payment Dates or that are due on that Payment Date under clause (1) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” and the Trustee shall on any Payment Date transfer to the Expense Reimbursement Account an amount equal to the excess, if any of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts due under clause (1) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” to the Expense Reimbursement Account in accordance with clause (2) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.” Amounts on deposit in the Expense Reimbursement Account shall be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions), no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date.

*Securities Lending Account.* The Trustee will deposit all Securities Lending Collateral posted by any Securities Lending Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Securities Lending Agreement in a non-interest bearing trust account (the “**Securities Lending Account**”). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the

Securities Lending Account will be (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty to the Issuer under a Securities Lending Agreement if the Securities Lending Agreement becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the Securities Lending Agreement upon any “event of default” under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement, including liquidating the related Securities Lending Collateral or (ii) to return collateral to the Securities Lending Counterparty when and as required by a Securities Lending Agreement. Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the loaned security or asset that relates to the Securities Lending Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer.

*Payment Account.* The Trustee will deposit collateral into the “**Payment Account**,” over which the Trustee will have exclusive control and sole right of withdrawal, in accordance with the Indenture. All assets or securities at any time on deposit in or otherwise to the credit of the Payment Account will be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer, and each Hedge Counterparty. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Payment Account shall be to pay amounts due and payable on the Notes and to pay Administrative Expenses and other amounts specified in the Indenture, each in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

*Interest Reserve Account.* Amounts deposited in the “**Interest Reserve Account**,” on the Closing Date will be withdrawn (i) to pay amounts necessary such that the amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (20) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” will be paid in full on each Payment Date occurring on or before the Payment Date in August 2007 or (ii) at any time, to be transferred at the discretion of the Servicer to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds. On the Payment Date in August 2007 (or, at the discretion of the Servicer, on the Payment Date in May 2007), the Trustee will transfer all funds on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds and close the Interest Reserve Account. Amounts on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account will be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions), no later than the Business Day before the second Payment Date.

*Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account.* On each Payment Date, to the extent of available funds in accordance with the Priority of Payments, the Trustee will deposit into the “**Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account**” amounts equal to the products of (a) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date and (b) on any Payment Date during the first two years after the Closing Date or with respect to which the Servicer has notified the Trustee on or before the related Determination Date that it is waiving its Servicing Fee, the Servicing Fees then due and payable, as described in “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments,” for payment to the Servicer on such Payment Date. The Servicer has agreed to waive such amounts, which would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as Servicing Fees, on each Payment Date during the first two years following the Closing Date and an amount equal to such waived amounts will be distributed by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. After the two-year anniversary of the Closing Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

*Synthetic Security Counterparty Account.* To the extent that any Synthetic Security requires the Issuer to secure its obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty or to the extent that any Synthetic Security has an unfunded amount payable by the Issuer that does not by its terms require collateral, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee and the Trustee shall establish a segregated non-interest bearing trust account (the “**Synthetic Security Counterparty Account**”) for the Synthetic Security which shall be held in trust for the benefit of the related Synthetic Security Counterparty and over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and the Indenture. In the alternative, a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account may be established with a trustee designated by the Synthetic Security Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that trustee would qualify to be a successor trustee under the Indenture and the account satisfies the other requirements of a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account under the Indenture.

As directed in writing by the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit (or deliver for deposit) into each Synthetic Security Counterparty Account all amounts or securities that are required to secure the obligations of the Issuer in accordance with the related Synthetic Security and, without duplication, an amount equal to the unfunded amount of a Synthetic Security, including the entire notional amount of any Synthetic Security in the form of a credit default swap or other similar transaction. The Servicer shall direct any such deposit only during the Replacement Period and only to the extent that monies are available for the purchase of Collateral Obligations pursuant to the Indenture. Any income received on amounts in the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall, after application in accordance with the relevant Synthetic Security, be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Interest Proceeds.

As directed by the Servicer in writing and in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and the Indenture, amounts on deposit in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in Synthetic Security Collateral.

In connection with the occurrence of a credit event or an event of default or a termination event (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security) under the related Synthetic Security, amounts in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be withdrawn by the Trustee (or the Trustee shall request their withdrawal) and applied toward the payment of any amounts payable by the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the Synthetic Security, as directed by the Servicer in writing. Any excess amounts held in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, or held directly by a Synthetic Security Counterparty, after payment of all amounts owing from the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the related Synthetic Security shall be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Principal Proceeds.

Amounts on deposit in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the Synthetic Security that relates to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer (with the notional amount as the Principal Balance unless a default exists under the applicable Synthetic Security).

### **Hedge Agreements**

At any time and from time to time on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer and with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, shall enter into the Hedge Agreements and will assign its rights (but none of its obligations) under the Hedge Agreements to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture. The Trustee will, on behalf of the Issuer and in accordance with the Valuation Report, pay amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements on any Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Each Hedge Counterparty will be required to have (i) a debt rating by Moody’s for long-term debt of “A1” or higher if the Hedge Counterparty has only a long-term rating; or a debt rating by Moody’s for long-term debt of “A2” or higher and a debt rating by Moody’s for short-term debt of “P-1” if the Hedge

Counterparty has both long-term and short-term ratings and (ii) a short-term debt rating by S&P of not less than "A-1" or, if the Hedge Counterparty does not have a short-term debt rating by S&P, a long-term debt rating of not less than "A+" (the "**Required Rating**").

If at any time a Hedge Counterparty does not have the Required Rating, then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within the applicable period specified in the related Hedge Agreement, either:

- (i) post collateral with the Trustee to secure the Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement, in an amount and of the type specified under the relevant Hedge Agreement; *provided* that the Hedge Counterparty shall, at the time such collateral is first posted, deliver to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Rating Agencies an opinion of counsel of nationally recognized standing in the jurisdiction in which the Hedge Counterparty is incorporated confirming that such collateral will be available in a timely manner upon a bankruptcy of the Hedge Counterparty;
- (ii) obtain a guarantor that has a short-term debt rating by S&P of not less than "A-1" and otherwise has the Required Rating, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition; or
- (iii) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has the Required Rating, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition.

*provided* that failure to take any such steps set forth under paragraphs (i) through (iii) above shall be treated as an "Additional Termination Event" under such Hedge Agreement.

If at any time the Hedge Counterparty has (x) no short-term Moody's rating and a long-term Moody's that is below "A3" or (y) both a short-term and long-term Moody's rating and either the long-term Moody's rating that is below "A3" or the short-term Moody's rating that is below "P-2", then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within the applicable period specified in the related Hedge Agreement, either:

- (i) obtain a guarantor that has the Required Rating, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition; or
- (ii) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has the Required Rating, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition;

*provided* that failure to take any such steps set forth under paragraphs (i) and (ii) above shall be treated as an "Additional Termination Event" under such Hedge Agreement.

If at any time the Hedge Counterparty has a long-term unsecured debt rating by S&P below "BBB-," then the Hedge Counterparty will be required, within the applicable period specified in the related Hedge Agreement, to replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has the Required Rating, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition; *provided* that failure to do so shall be treated as an "Additional Termination Event" under such Hedge Agreement.

Whenever the Issuer enters into a Hedge Agreement, the Hedge Counterparty thereto shall comply with the then currently applicable rating criteria of each Rating Agency from time to time.

Any payments required to be made under the Hedge Agreements shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments shall be subordinate to interest and principal payments on the Notes and any other payments required to be made by the Issuer under the Hedge Agreements, but senior to distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Indenture.

Unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is otherwise satisfied, following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall promptly (but no later than 60 days after the early termination), and to the extent

possible through Hedge Termination Receipts, enter into a replacement hedge, unless, in the exercise of the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment, to do so would not be in the best interest of the Issuer and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to not entering into a replacement hedge. In addition, a replacement hedge may not be entered into unless the Issuer provides the Rating Agencies with at least seven Business Days' prior written notice of its intention to enter into a replacement hedge, together with its form and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the replacement hedge. The Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than a termination resulting from the bankruptcy, insolvency, or similar event with respect to the Hedge Counterparty) to become effective simultaneously with its entering into a replacement hedge. To the extent that (i) the Servicer determines not to replace the Hedge Agreement and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the determination; or (ii) termination is occurring on a Redemption Date, the Hedge Termination Receipts shall become part of Principal Proceeds and be distributed in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the next following Payment Date (or on the Redemption Date, if the Notes are redeemed on the Redemption Date).

The notional amounts of the Hedge Agreements outstanding at any time may be reduced or increased from time to time, by the Issuer, and the Hedge Agreements may be amended, modified, or terminated in accordance with the Hedge Agreements if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the reduction, increase, amendment, modification, or termination, as the case may be.

Each Hedge Agreement may be terminated pursuant to its terms by the Hedge Counterparty upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes, an acceleration of maturity of the Notes followed by the liquidation of any or all of the Collateral after an Event of Default or the entry into certain amendments to the Indenture without the consent of the Hedge Counterparty. The Hedge Agreement will not be permitted to be terminated by the Issuer as the result of a Default or Event of Default unless any acceleration of maturity of the Notes resulting from the Event of Default is no longer permitted to be rescinded pursuant to the Indenture.

Except for Hedge Agreements entered into on or before the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied.

### **Securities Lending**

The Indenture permits the Issuer to engage in a limited number of securities lending transactions as described below.

The Servicer may instruct the Trustee to cause Collateral Obligations that are not Defaulted Collateral Obligations to be lent for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) having long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or guarantors with ratings of at least "A1" (and not "A1" but on credit watch with negative implications) and "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A" from S&P (each, a **"Securities Lending Counterparty"**) pursuant to one or more agreements (each, a **"Securities Lending Agreement"**); *provided* that Collateral Obligations the Market Value of which cannot be determined under clause (i), (ii) or (iii) of that definition may not be lent pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement. Upon receipt of an Issuer Order, the Trustee shall release any lent Collateral Obligations to a Securities Lending Counterparty as directed by the Servicer. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser or Affiliates of the Servicer. The duration of any Securities Lending Agreement shall not exceed the Stated Maturity of the Notes. Collateral Obligations representing no more than 15% (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of the Maximum Amount may be loaned pursuant to Securities Lending Agreements at any time.

Each Securities Lending Agreement shall be on market terms as determined by the Servicer (except to the extent specified in the Indenture) and shall:

- (i) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty return to the Issuer debt obligations that are identical (in terms of issue and class) to the lent Collateral Obligations;
- (ii) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty pay to the Issuer amounts equivalent to all interest and other payments that the owner of the lent Collateral Obligation is entitled to for the period during which the Collateral Obligation is lent and require that any such payments not be subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the Securities Lending Counterparty is required under the Securities Lending Agreement to make “gross-up” payments to the Issuer that cover the full amount of the withholding tax on an after-tax basis;
- (iii) require that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency shall be satisfied with respect to the execution of the Securities Lending Agreement;
- (iv) satisfy any other requirements of Section 1058 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated under it;
- (v) be governed by the laws of New York;
- (vi) permit the Issuer to assign its rights under the Securities Lending Agreement to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture;
- (vii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Collateral Obligation becomes a Credit Risk Obligation or is subject to redemption in accordance with its terms;
- (viii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty upon any redemption of the Notes in whole;
- (ix) require the Securities Lending Counterparty to post with the Trustee collateral consisting of cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the Securities Lending Agreement to secure its obligation to return the Collateral Obligations or in the alternative post that collateral with a custodian for the benefit of the Issuer designated by the Securities Lending Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that custodian would qualify to be a successor trustee under the Indenture;
- (x) provide that the Securities Lending Collateral shall be maintained at all times in an amount equal to at least 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value (determined daily and monitored by the Servicer) of the lent Collateral Obligations and if securities are delivered to the Trustee as security for the obligations of the Securities Lending Counterparty under the related Securities Lending Agreement, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will negotiate with the Securities Lending Counterparty a rate for the loan fee to be paid to the Issuer for lending the lent Collateral Obligations;
- (xi) the lent Collateral Obligations shall be marked-to-market on a daily basis by the Servicer on the basis of their Market Value;
- (xii) the Collateral will include the Issuer’s rights under the related Securities Lending Agreement rather than the loaned Collateral Obligation;

- (xiii) provide for early termination within 10 days at the option of the Issuer and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Securities Lending Counterparty is no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty and the noncompliance is not cured as provided in the Indenture; and
- (xiv) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Securities Lending Counterparty) equivalent (mutatis mutandis) to those in the Indenture.

In addition, each Securities Lending Agreement must provide that if either Moody's or S&P downgrades a Securities Lending Counterparty such that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party are no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty, then the Issuer, within 10 days of the downgrade, shall (i) terminate its Securities Lending Agreements with the Securities Lending Counterparty unless a guarantor for the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements has been obtained; or (ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations lent to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty so that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party, together with all other Securities Lending Agreements, are in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of Securities Lending Counterparties; or (iii) take any other steps Moody's or S&P may require to cause the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party to be treated by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, as if the obligations were owed by a counterparty having a rating at least equivalent to the rating that was assigned by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty before its being downgraded.

The Servicer shall instruct the Trustee in writing with respect to the administration of any Securities Lending Agreement (including with respect to any default and the exercise of rights under it). The Trustee shall not have any responsibility for evaluating the sufficiency, validity, or acceptability of any Securities Lending Agreement or for the qualifications or eligibility of any Securities Lending Counterparty. Nothing in the Indenture shall be construed to cause the Trustee to have any fiduciary duties to any Securities Lending Counterparty.

So long as any Collateral Obligation is on loan pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement, (a) the Trustee shall have no liability for any failure or inability on its part to receive any information or take any action with respect to the Collateral Obligation because of its being on loan (including any failure to take action with respect to a notice of redemption, consent solicitation, exchange or tender offer, or similar corporate action) and (b) the loaned Collateral Obligations shall not be disqualified for return to the Trustee as a Collateral Obligation by any change in circumstance or status during the time while on loan (including any change that would cause the Collateral Obligation to be ineligible for purchase by the Issuer under the Indenture if applied to a proposed purchase of it in the open market at the time of its return from loan).

## **MATURITY AND PREPAYMENT CONSIDERATIONS**

The Stated Maturity of each Class of Notes will be November 1, 2021 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date; *however*, the principal of each Class of the Notes is expected to be paid in full prior to its Stated Maturity (or Extended Stated Maturity Date, as applicable). Average life refers to the average amount of time that will elapse from the date of delivery of a security until each dollar of the principal of such security will be paid to the investor. The average lives of the Notes will be determined by the amount and frequency of principal payments, which are dependent upon, among other things, the amount of sinking fund payments and any other payments received at or in advance of the scheduled maturity of Collateral Obligations (whether through sale, maturity, redemption, default or other liquidation or disposition).

The actual performance of the Securities will also be affected by the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral Obligations and the characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, including the interest rate or other rate of distribution, the actual default rate and actual losses sustained, the existence and frequency of exercise of any prepayment, optional redemption, or sinking fund features and any related premium, the prevailing level of interest rates, any sales of Collateral Obligations, and any unique risks of the Collateral Obligations. Any disposition of a Collateral Obligation may change the composition and characteristics of the portfolio of Collateral Obligations and their rate of payment, and, accordingly, may affect the actual performance of each respective Class of Securities. The ability of the Issuer to apply any Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds in the manner described under "Security for the Notes" will also affect the performance of the Securities. Redemptions will also affect the performance of the Securities.

## **THE SERVICER**

*The information appearing in this section has been prepared by the Servicer and has not been independently verified by the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchaser. Accordingly, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, neither the Co-Issuers nor the Initial Purchaser assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or applicability of such information.*

### **General**

Based in Dallas, Texas, Highland Capital is a registered investment adviser specializing in below investment-grade credit and special situation investing. As of August 31, 2006, Highland Capital managed over \$30 billion in leveraged loans, high yield bonds, structured products and other assets for banks, insurance companies, pension plans, foundations and high net worth individuals.

Highland Capital manages or services these assets through a variety of fund structures including separate accounts, CDOs, hedge funds and mutual funds. As of June 30, 2006, Highland Capital invested in approximately 1,200 below investment grade and credit sensitive credit positions, and Highland Capital's 62 person credit team followed approximately 1,400 below investment grade and credit sensitive credit positions across over 36 industries. Highland Capital or an Affiliate or predecessor thereof has been an SEC-registered investment adviser since April 1993.

### **Philosophy and Process**

Highland Capital has a large range and depth of experience. It has expertise in the fields of syndicated loans, high yield bonds, and distressed assets. Highland Capital believes it is in a position to maximize the spread differential between the yields on underlying collateral and the cost of financing. In addition, Highland Capital seeks to construct portfolios to (a) maximize relative value based on its credit views and (b) maximize diversification in order to minimize the effect of isolated credit events on the overall portfolio, utilizing Highland Capital's infrastructure to minimize defaults of underlying assets and to maximize recoveries in the case of defaults. Highland Capital has over \$500 million of firm capital exposure to the firm's funds and expects that HFP, an Affiliate of the Servicer, and/or one or more of HFP's subsidiaries will on the Closing Date purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares.

Highland Capital believes that its disciplined selection process minimizes a portfolio's risk and that its analysis seeks to maximize yield spread while limiting downside risk. Portfolio managers actively follow each credit and several times each year the entire staff reviews all positions during multi-day monitoring meetings. Highland Capital diversifies its portfolios with set limits on exposure to any one given industry or issuer. Highland Capital believes that this philosophy and selection process has resulted in positive returns on its underlying loan portfolio and consistent outperformance relative to its indices.

Highland Capital focuses on a "team" approach that it has used since 1990. It is Highland Capital management's belief that this style creates the optimum environment for the exchange of information and the development of all asset management professionals. All aspects of the selection, monitoring and servicing process are coordinated through the senior asset portfolio managers' direct interaction. A



committee of senior portfolio managers and analysts, Highland Capital's Chief Investment Officer and its Head of Structured Products meets every morning to discuss the status of the credits. Collectively, the committee utilizes a selection and monitoring process which is driven by fundamental credit research. Each portfolio manager/analyst makes specific credit recommendations based upon industry coverage. The credit recommendation is then brought to the committee for consideration. Based upon the consensus decision, the portfolio manager with the recommendation will direct Highland traders to execute the trade. Highland Capital has also provided its committee with a strong commitment to technology. The firm developed Wall Street Office® which is a proprietary software system that allows Highland Capital to model, portfolio manage, and trade syndicated loans. This software has been licensed to more than 70 financial institutions that acquire syndicated loans.

### **Professionals of the Servicer**

Set forth below is information regarding certain persons who are currently employed by the Servicer. Such persons may not necessarily continue to be so employed during the entire term of the Servicing Agreement.

#### **Senior Management**

##### ***James Dondero, CFA, CPA, CMA – Managing Partner, President***

Mr. Dondero is a Founder and President of Highland Capital. Formerly, Mr. Dondero served as Chief Investment Officer of Protective Life's GIC subsidiary and helped grow the business from concept to over \$2 billion between 1989 to 1993. His portfolio management experience includes mortgage-backed securities, investment-grade corporates, leveraged bank loans, emerging markets, derivatives, preferred stocks and common stocks. From 1985 to 1989, he managed approximately \$1 billion in fixed income funds for American Express. Prior to joining American Express, he completed the financial training at Morgan Guaranty Trust Company. Mr. Dondero is a Beta Gamma Sigma graduate of the University of Virginia, 1984 with degrees in Accounting and Finance. Mr. Dondero is a Certified Public Accountant, Chartered Financial Analyst and a Certified Management Accountant.

##### ***Mark Okada, CFA – Managing Partner, Chief Investment Officer***

Mr. Okada is a Founder and Chief Investment Officer of Highland Capital. He is responsible for overseeing Highland Capital's investment and servicing activities for its various funds and has over 19 years of experience in the leveraged finance market. Formerly, Mr. Okada served as Manager of Fixed Income for Protective Life's GIC subsidiary from 1990 to 1993. He was primarily responsible for the bank loan portfolio and other risk assets. Protective was one of the first non-bank entrants into the syndicated loan market. From 1986 to 1990, he served as Vice President for Hibernia National Bank, managing over \$1 billion of high yield bank loans. Mr. Okada is an honors graduate of the University of California Los Angeles with degrees in Economics and Psychology. He completed his credit training at Mitsui and is a Chartered Financial Analyst. Mr. Okada is also Chairman of the Board of Directors of Common Grace Ministries Inc.

##### ***Todd Travers, CFA – Head of Structured Products, Senior Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Travers is responsible for Highland Capital's CDO business and is the primary portfolio manager for Highland Capital's par debt funds. He is a member of the Credit Committee and heads a team that is responsible for structuring new transactions and implementing additional opportunities in Highland Capital's core businesses. Formerly, Mr. Travers served as Portfolio Manager/Portfolio Analyst from 1994 to 1998 for Highland Capital. In 1999, he was promoted to Senior Portfolio Manager and his duties were expanded beyond sector portfolio management to include the origination, structuring and issuance of new structured vehicles, including all structured vehicles since Highland Loan Funding V Ltd. and Restoration Funding Ltd. His prior responsibilities included managing a portion of Highland Capital's leveraged loan and high yield debt portfolios with an emphasis on

technology and aviation transactions. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Travers was a Finance Manager at American Airlines. Mr. Travers is a graduate of Iowa State University with a BS in Industrial Engineering. He received his MBA with an emphasis in Finance from Southern Methodist University. Mr. Travers is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

#### Traders

##### **Brad Borud** – *Senior Trader and Co-Director Portfolio Management*

Mr. Borud is a Senior Trader of leveraged loans and high yield bonds. Prior to his current duties, Mr. Borud served as a Portfolio Analyst for Highland Capital from 1996 to 1998. From 1998 to 2003, Mr. Borud was a Portfolio Manager covering a wide range of industries, including Wireline Telecommunications, Wireless Telecommunications, Telecommunication Equipment Manufacturers, Multi-channel Video, and Media. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Borud worked as a Global Finance Analyst in the Corporate Finance Group at NationsBank from 1995 to 1996 where he was involved in the originating, structuring, modeling, and credit analysis of leveraged transactions for large corporate accounts in the Southwest portion of the United States. During 1994, Mr. Borud also served at Conseco Capital Management as an Analyst Intern in the Fixed Income Research Department following the Transportation and Energy sectors. He has a BS in Business Finance from Indiana University.

##### **Paul Kauffman, CFA, CPA** – *Senior Trader and Co-Director of Portfolio Management*

Mr. Kauffman is a Senior Trader for loan and high yield credit products. He joined Highland Capital in 1998 as a Portfolio Analyst and was a Portfolio Manager prior to moving into his current role. At Highland Capital, Paul has followed a variety of industries, including Paper & Packaging, General Industrials, Metals, and the Automotive sector. Prior to Highland Capital, Mr. Kauffman spent four years in the public accounting industry, including two and a half years at KPMG Peat Marwick. At KPMG, Mr. Kauffman gained audit experience in a wide range of industries, with particular focus on the Energy and Cable industries. He was the Supervising Senior Accountant on one of the Dallas offices' largest clients. He received a BBA in Accounting from Baylor University and an MBA from Duke University. Mr. Kauffman is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

#### Senior Portfolio Managers

##### **Patrick H. Daugherty** – *Senior Distressed Portfolio Manager*

Mr. Daugherty is a Senior Portfolio Manager and General Counsel at Highland Capital. He is co-head of the Distressed Group where he is responsible for managing the sourcing, investing, and monitoring process. In addition, he serves as head manager of the Private Equity Group and is responsible for all portfolio companies. Prior to joining Highland Capital in early 1998, Mr. Daugherty served as Vice President in the Corporate Finance Group at NationsBanc Capital Markets, Inc. (now Bank of America Capital Markets, Inc.) where he originated and structured leveraged transactions for a \$2.5 billion portfolio of mid-cap companies located in the Southwest. Prior to joining Bank of America, Mr. Daugherty was an Associate with the law firm of Baker, Brown, Sharman and Parker in Houston, Texas where he represented banks and financial institutions in the liquidation of various RTC portfolios. Mr. Daugherty has over 15 years of experience in distressed, high yield and corporate restructuring. He has been involved in over 100 bankruptcy situations and held steering committee positions in over 35 cases. Mr. Daugherty currently serves on the Board of Directors of Norse Merchant Group and its affiliates, Ferrimorac Holdings Limited, Nexpak Corporation and its affiliates (as Chairman), Moll Industries and its affiliates (as Chairman), and is a former board member of Mariner Health Care, Inc. He received a BBA in Finance from The University of Texas at Austin and a Juris Doctorate from The University of Houston School of Law. Mr. Daugherty's professional certifications include membership in the Texas Bar Association and admittance to the American Bar Association in 1992.

##### **John Morgan, CFA** – *Senior Portfolio Manager*

Mr. Morgan is a Senior Portfolio Manager covering the Retail, Food & Drug, and Restaurant & Lodging sectors. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Morgan served as Portfolio Analyst for Falcon Fund Management, LTD from August 1995-February 2000. There he created comparables to assess the attractiveness of companies within industries and across the portfolio. He assisted the portfolio manager in the security selection process and management of the portfolio. Prior to Falcon, he was an Analyst for a Convertible Arbitrage Fund at Q Investments. His primary responsibility included analyzing financial statements and related corporate disclosures and performing analysis on potential investment opportunities. He received both a BS in Biological Sciences and an MBA from Southern Methodist University.

**Kurtis S. Plumer, CFA – Senior Distressed Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Plumer is co-head of the Distressed Group at Highland Capital and is responsible for managing the sourcing and monitoring process. He has over 14 years of experience in distressed, high yield bond and leveraged loan products. Prior to joining Highland Capital in 1999, Mr. Plumer was a distressed high yield bond trader at Lehman Brothers in New York, where he managed a \$250 million portfolio invested in global distressed securities. While at Lehman, he also traded emerging market sovereign bonds. Prior to joining Lehman Brothers, Mr. Plumer was a corporate finance banker at NationsBanc Capital Markets, Inc. (now Bank of America Capital Markets, Inc.) where he focused on M&A and financing transactions for the bank's clients. Mr. Plumer earned a BBA in Economics and Finance from Baylor University and an MBA in Strategy and Finance from the Kellogg School at Northwestern University. Mr. Plumer is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

**David Walls, CFA – Senior Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Walls is a Senior Portfolio Manager with oversight of the Cable, Wireless/Wireline Telecom, Satellite, Aerospace/Defense and Equipment Rental sectors. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Walls worked for Lend Lease Real Estate Investments as an Associate in their Asset Management unit underwriting and structuring acquisitions of bulk portfolios of distressed Korean real estate and corporate debt. Before his international responsibilities at Lend Lease, Mr. Walls performed loan workouts on a domestic portfolio of sub- and non-performing real estate secured assets. Prior to Lend Lease, Mr. Walls worked at U.S. Trust Company of California as an Assistant Vice President, Junior Portfolio Manager in their Fixed Income Portfolio Management group and for Capital Research & Management Company as a fixed income trader. He holds a BA in Economics from Northwestern University and an MBA in Finance and Marketing from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University. Mr. Walls is a member of AIMR and DAIA. Mr. Walls is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

**Joe Dougherty, CFA, CPA – Senior Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Dougherty is a Senior Portfolio Manager. Additionally, Mr. Dougherty heads Highland Capital's retail funds business unit ("Highland Funds") and serves as Senior Vice President and Director of the Firm's two NYSE-listed bond funds, which invest in both investment grade and high yield debt. Additionally, Mr. Dougherty serves as Senior Vice President and Director of the Firm's two 1940 Act Registered floating rate funds, which primarily invest in senior secured floating rate loans. In this capacity, Mr. Dougherty oversees investment decisions for the retail funds, alongside several other Portfolio Managers, and manages the team dedicated to their day-to-day administration. Prior to his current duties, Mr. Dougherty served as Portfolio Analyst for Highland from 1998 to 1999. As a Portfolio Analyst, Mr. Dougherty also helped follow companies within the Chemical, Retail, Supermarket and Restaurant sectors. Prior to joining Highland, Mr. Dougherty served as an Investment Analyst with Sandera Capital Management from 1997 to 1998. Formerly, he was a Business Development Manager at Akzo Nobel from 1994 to 1996 and a Senior Accountant at Deloitte & Touche, LLP from 1992 to 1994. He received a BS in Accounting from Villanova University and an MBA from Southern Methodist University. Mr. Dougherty is a Chartered Financial Analyst and a Certified Public Accountant.

**Brett Pope, CFA – Senior Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Pope is a Senior Portfolio Manager covering the Healthcare, Financial Services, Building Products, and Metals & Mining sectors. Prior to joining Highland, Mr. Pope served as a Senior Equities Analyst in Healthcare at Street Advisor.com from 1999 to 2001. His experience also includes working as a Senior Research Analyst covering the Building Products and Financial Service sectors at Southwest Securities from 1996 to 1999. Prior to 1996, he served as a Senior Financial Analyst with Associates First Capital Corporation. Mr. Pope is a graduate of the University of Texas at Austin where he graduated Magna Cum Laude. Mr. Pope is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Servicer—The Issuer Will Depend on the Managerial Expertise Available to the Servicer and Its Key Personnel.”

**THE SERVICING AGREEMENT**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Servicing Agreement. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the Servicing Agreement.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, and in accordance with the requirements set forth in the Indenture, the Servicer will select the portfolio of Collateral Obligations and will instruct the Trustee with respect to any acquisition, disposition or sale of a Collateral Obligation or an Eligible Investment. Neither the Initial Purchaser or any Affiliate thereof will select any of the Collateral Obligations.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will monitor the Collateral Obligations and provide the Issuer with certain information received from the Collateral Administrator with respect to the composition and characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, any disposition or tender of a Collateral Obligation, the application of the proceeds of any such disposition to the purchase of Eligible Investments and with respect to the retention of the proceeds of any such disposition or the application thereof toward the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations. The Servicer will, and will be authorized to, negotiate, on behalf of the Issuer, with respect to all actions to be taken by the Issuer under any Hedge Agreements.

As compensation for the performance of its obligations as Servicer, the Servicer will be entitled to receive:

- (i) a fee (the “**Senior Servicing Fee**”) that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.30% per annum of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments (with the Senior Servicing Fee being calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months);
- (ii) an amount (the “**Subordinated Servicing Fee**”) payable on each Payment Date equal to the sum of (a) a fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.25% per annum of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments and (b) on any Payment Date that any part of the Subordinated Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period *plus* 3.00% per annum (with the portion of the Subordinated Servicing Fee, in clauses (a) and (b) above, as applicable, being calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months); and
- (iii) a fee (the “**Supplemental Servicing Fee**” and together with the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee, the “**Servicing Fee**”), if any, payable on each Payment Date to the Servicer in an amount equal to: (i) 20% of the remaining Interest Proceeds, if

any, available after making the distributions on such Payment Date pursuant to clause (22) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” and (ii) 20% of the remaining Principal Proceeds, if any, available for payment in respect of the Supplemental Servicing Fee pursuant to clause (11)(A) and, if applicable, clause (14), in each case pursuant to “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

On each Payment Date, as and to the extent described under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments,” the Trustee will deposit the Class II Preference Share Portion of the Servicing Fees into the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account. The Servicer has agreed to waive such amounts, which would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as Servicing Fees, on each Payment Date during the first two years following the Closing Date and an amount equal to such waived amounts will be paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. After the two-year anniversary of the Closing Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive the Class II Preference Share Portion of its Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Issuer as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments as described above. See “Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account.”

In addition, notwithstanding anything set out above, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion: (i) waive all or any portion of the Servicing Fee, any funds representing the waived Servicing Fees to be retained in the Collection Account for distribution as either Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds (as determined by the Servicer) pursuant to the Priority of Payments; or (ii) defer all or any portion of the Servicing Fee, any funds representing the deferred Servicing Fees to be retained in the Collection Account, when they will become payable in the same manner and priority as their original characterization would have required unless deferred again.

The Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, and its Affiliates and their directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, shall not be liable to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person for any losses, claims, damages, judgments, assessments, costs or other liabilities (collectively “**Liabilities**”) incurred by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person that arise out of or in connection with the performance by the Servicer of its duties under the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture, except by reason of (i) acts or omissions constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, gross negligence or breach of fiduciary duty in the performance, or reckless disregard, of the obligations of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and under the terms of the Indenture applicable to it or (ii) with respect to any information included in this Offering Memorandum in the sections entitled “The Servicer” and “Risk Factors—Certain Conflicts of Interest—Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer” that contains any untrue statement of material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) collectively being the “**Servicer Breaches**”). The Servicer will be liable for any non-waivable breaches of applicable securities laws.

The Issuer will indemnify and hold harmless the Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees (such parties collectively in such case, the “**Indemnified Parties**”) from and against any and all Liabilities, and shall reimburse each such Indemnified Party for all reasonable fees and expenses (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) (collectively, the “**Expenses**”) as such Expenses are incurred in investigating, preparing, pursuing or defending any claim, action, proceeding or investigation with respect to any pending or threatened litigation (collectively, the “**Actions**”), caused by, or arising out of or in connection with, the issuance of the Securities, the transactions contemplated by the

Offering Memorandum, the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement, and/or any action taken by, or any failure to act by, such Indemnified Party; *provided, however*, that no Indemnified Party shall be indemnified for any Liabilities or Expenses it incurs as a result of any acts or omissions by any Indemnified Party constituting Servicer Breaches. Any such indemnification by the Issuer will be paid in accordance with, and subject to, the Priority of Payments.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will agree that on the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries will purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S. \$75,000,000 directly from the Issuer at a discounted purchase price and (ii) the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates (other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries) will purchase certain of the Class D Notes having an aggregate principal amount equal to U.S.\$16,000,000 directly from the Issuer at a discounted purchase price and will purchase certain of the Holding Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$20,000,000 directly from Investors Corp., at a discounted purchase price.

The Issuer may, at the request of the Servicer, enter into an amendment or modification of the Servicing Agreement from time to time, without the consent of the Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not the interests of the Holders of the Securities are adversely affected thereby; *provided* that, with respect to any such amendment or modification, (a) a Rating Condition is satisfied and (b) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares have not objected in writing to such amendment or modification prior to the relevant Objection Cut-Off Date (as defined below).

If at any time the Servicer desires to amend or modify the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will notify the Issuer and the Trustee, providing details of such proposed amendment or modification. Not later than five Business Days after receipt of such notice, the Trustee will mail such notice to (i) each Noteholder at such Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as applicable, (ii) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), (iii) to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares) and (iv) to each Rating Agency. If any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes or any Holder of the Preference Shares notifies, by delivering a written notice to the Trustee within 35 days after the Trustee has mailed such notice, that it objects to such proposed amendment or modification, the Trustee will, within two Business Days after receiving such notice of objection, mail a notice of the receipt of such objection to the Issuer, the Servicer and other Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and other Holders of the Preference Shares. Each Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes and each Holder of the Preference Shares that also wishes to object to such amendment or modification must, by delivering a written notice, so notify the Trustee within seven Business Days after the Trustee has mailed such notice of the receipt of such objection (the last day of such seven Business Day period, the "**Objection Cut-Off Date**"). If a Majority of either the Controlling Class of Notes or the Preference Shares notifies the Trustee in writing on or before the Objection Cut-Off Date that they object to the proposed amendment or modification to the Servicing Agreement, such amendment or modification will not be made.

The Servicing Agreement provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Servicer such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Servicer, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the Advisers Act. The Servicing Agreement also provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Servicer, on terms no

less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Advisers Act.

Subject to the provisions for a successor servicer discussed below, the Servicer may resign, upon 90 days' written notice to the Issuer (or such shorter notice as is acceptable to the Issuer).

The Servicing Agreement will be terminated, and the Servicer will be removed, by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee (acting at the direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes)) or by a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares, in each case for "cause" upon 10 days' prior written notice to the Servicer and upon written notice to the Holders of the Securities as set forth below. For purposes of determining "cause" with respect to any such termination of the Servicing Agreement, such term shall mean any one of the following events:

(i) the Servicer willfully breaches in any respect, or takes any action that it knows violates in any respect, any provision of the Servicing Agreement or any terms of the Indenture applicable to it;

(ii) the Servicer breaches in any material respect any provision of the Servicing Agreement or any terms of the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement applicable to it, or any representation, warranty, certification or statement given in writing by the Servicer shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or given, and the Servicer fails to cure such breach or take such action so that the facts (after giving effect to such action) conform in all material respects to such representation, warranty, certificate or statement, in each case within 30 days of becoming aware of, or receiving notice from, the Trustee of, such breach or materially incorrect representation, warranty, certificate or statement;

(iii) certain events of bankruptcy or insolvency occur with respect to the Servicer;

(iv) the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture that results from any breach by the Servicer of its duties under the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement, which breach or default is not cured within any applicable cure period; or

(v) (x) the occurrence of an act by the Servicer related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business that constitutes fraud, (y) the Servicer being indicted, or any of its principals being convicted, of a felony criminal offense related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business or (z) the Servicer being indicted for, adjudged liable in a civil suit for, or convicted of a violation of the Securities Act or any other United States Federal securities law or any rules or regulations thereunder.

No removal or resignation of the Servicer will be effective under the Servicing Agreement unless (A) (i) at the written direction of a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares, the Issuer appoints a successor servicer and such successor servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture and (ii) the successor servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single Class) or (B) if a Majority of the Voting Preferences Shares has nominated two or more successor servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (A)(ii) or has failed to appoint a successor servicer that has not been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (A)(ii) within 60 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer, (i) at the written direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes), the Issuer appoints a successor servicer and such successor servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture and (ii) the successor servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares (voting as a single class) or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single

Class); *provided* that if a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and a Super Majority of the Controlling Class (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) have each nominated two or more successor servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clauses (A)(ii) and (B)(ii) or have otherwise failed to appoint a successor servicer that is not objected to pursuant to the preceding clauses (A)(ii) or (B)(ii) within 120 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer, any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes), any Holder of Voting Preference Shares or the Trustee petitions a court of competent authority to appoint a successor servicer. In addition, any successor servicer must be an established institution which (i) has demonstrated an ability to professionally and competently perform duties similar to those imposed upon the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, (ii) is legally qualified and has the capacity to act as Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, as successor to the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement in the assumption of all of the responsibilities, duties and obligations of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and under the applicable terms of the Indenture, (iii) shall not cause the Issuer or the pool of Collateral to become required to register under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, (iv) shall perform its duties as successor servicer under the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture without causing the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Holder of Preference Shares to become subject to tax in any jurisdiction where such successor servicer is established as doing business and (v) each Rating Agency has confirmed that the appointment of such successor servicer shall not cause its then-current rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn. No compensation payable to a successor from payments on the Collateral shall be greater than that paid to the Servicer without the prior written consent of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes, a Majority of the Notes and a Majority of the Preference Shares.

The Servicing Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, cannot be delegated by the Servicer, in whole or in part, except to any entity that is both (i) controlled by all or any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers and (ii) one in which all of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers (or any Approved Replacement thereof) is involved in the day to day management and operations (and in any such case pursuant to an instrument of delegation in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer), without the prior written consent of the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and, notwithstanding any such consent, no delegation of obligations or duties by the Servicer (including, without limitation, to an entity described above) shall relieve the Servicer from any liability under the Servicing Agreement.

## THE CO-ISSUERS

### General

The Issuer was incorporated as an exempted limited liability company on February 7, 2006 in the Cayman Islands under registration number MC-162048. The registered office of the Issuer is at the offices of Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited, P.O. Box 1234, Queensgate House, George Town, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, Cayman Islands. The Issuer's telephone number is (345) 945-6264. The Issuer has no prior operating experience (other than in connection with the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations during the Accumulation Period) and will not have any material assets other than (i) the Collateral pledged to secure the Secured Obligations, and (ii) \$500 (of which \$250 represents the Issuer's ordinary share capital and \$250 represents a fee for issuing the Securities).

The Co-Issuer was incorporated on October 13, 2006 in the State of Delaware under registration number 060941313 as a corporation and has a perpetual existence. The registered office of the Co-Issuer is at c/o National Corporate Research, Ltd., 615 South DuPont Highway, Dover, Delaware, 19901. The Co-Issuer's telephone number is (302) 738-6680. The Co-Issuer has no prior operating history and will not have any material assets.

The Senior Notes are non-recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuers. The Class D Notes are non-recourse debt obligations of the Issuer and the Preference Shares are equity interests only in the Issuer. The Securities are not obligations of the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, the Administrator, the Holders of the Preference Shares, Ogier Fiduciary



Services (Cayman) Limited, as the share trustee (in such capacity, the “**Share Trustee**”), or any directors or officers of the Co-Issuers or any of their respective Affiliates.

At the Closing Date, the authorized share capital of the Issuer consists of 250 ordinary shares, U.S.\$1.00 par value per share (the “**Issuer Ordinary Shares**”), all of which will have been issued prior to the Closing Date, and 127,500 Preference Shares, U.S.\$0.01 par value per share, 127,500 of which will be issued on or about the Closing Date. The authorized common stock of the Co-Issuer consists of 1,000 shares of common stock, U.S.\$ 0.01 par value (the “**Co-Issuer Common Stock**”), all of which shares will be issued on or about the Closing Date. All of the outstanding Issuer Ordinary Shares and all of the Co-Issuer Common Stock will be held by the Share Trustee. For so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding, no transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares or Co-Issuer Common Stock to a U.S. Person shall be registered.

### **Investors Corp.**

On the Closing Date, Grayson Investors Corp. (“**Investors Corp.**”), an exempted limited liability corporation incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands, is expected to purchase all of the Class I Preference Shares and to finance such purchase by issuing preference shares (the “**Holding Preference Shares**”) in a number equal to the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares purchased by it. The Holding Preference Shares will be offered by Investors Corp. to investors pursuant to the Investors Corp. Offering Memorandum and are not offered hereby. In case of any transfer of Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to Investors Corp., Investors Corp. is expected to purchase all of such Class II Preference Shares redesignated as Class I Preference Shares and finance such purchase by issuing additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of such Class I Preference Shares purchased by it.

Investors Corp. will exercise its consent and voting rights, in its capacity as a Holder of the Class I Preference Shares, in accordance with the directions of the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares; *provided* that Holding Preference Shares held by the Servicer or any of its Affiliates will have no such right to direct Investors Corp. in connection with the removal of the Servicer for “cause” or the appointment of a replacement servicer. For purposes of calculating such consents or votes exercised with respect to the Class I Preference Shares held by Investors Corp., each consent or vote exercised with respect to a Holding Preference Share will count as one consent or vote exercised with respect to a Class I Preference Share held by Investors Corp., as applicable.

### **Capitalization**

The initial proposed capitalization of the Issuer as of the Closing Date after giving effect to the initial issuance of the Securities and the Issuer Ordinary Shares (before deducting expenses of the offering) is as set forth below.

	<b>Amount (U.S.\$)</b>
Class A-1a Notes.....	\$1,015,000,000
Class A-1b Notes.....	\$111,500,000
Class A-2 Notes.....	\$68,000,000
Class B Notes .....	\$72,000,000
Class C Notes .....	\$75,000,000
Class D Notes.....	\$31,000,000
Total Notes.....	\$1,372,500,000
Class I Preference Shares .....	\$52,500,000
Class II Preference Shares.....	\$75,000,000
Issuer Ordinary Shares .....	\$250
Total Equity .....	\$127,500,250
Total Capitalization.....	\$1,500,000,250

The Co-Issuer will be capitalized only to the extent of its common equity of U.S.\$10, will have no assets other than its equity capital and will have no debt other than as Co-Issuer of the Senior Notes.

## **Business**

### *General*

The Issuer Charter provides that the objects for which the Issuer is established are limited and the Issuer may exercise the power contained in Section 226 of the Companies Law (2004 Revision). Article III of the Co-Issuer's Certificate of Incorporation provides that the principal purpose of the Co-Issuer is the issuance of the Senior Notes and to engage in any activity and to exercise any powers permitted to corporations organized under Delaware Law, which are incidental to, or connected with, the foregoing and necessary, suitable or convenient to accomplish the foregoing.

### *The Issuer*

The Indenture provides that the activities of the Issuer are limited to the following:

- (i) acquisition and disposition of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments;
- (ii) entering into, and performing its obligations under, the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents, any Hedge Agreements, the Securities Lending Agreements, the Servicing Agreement, the Placement Agency Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Administration Agreement;
- (iii) the issuance and sale of the Securities and the Issuer Ordinary Shares;
- (iv) the pledge of the Collateral as security for its obligations in respect of the Notes and any Hedge Agreements;
- (v) entering into certain pre-closing warehousing arrangements and the agreements relating thereto; and
- (vi) undertaking certain other activities incidental to the foregoing.

### *The Co-Issuer*

The activities of the Co-Issuer are to be limited to the following:

- (i) the co-issuance and sale of the Senior Notes; and
- (ii) to engage in any activity and to exercise any powers permitted to corporations organized under Delaware Law, which are incidental to, or connected with, the foregoing and necessary, suitable or convenient to accomplish the foregoing.

## **Administration**

Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited ("**Ogier**"), a Cayman Islands company, will act as the administrator of the Issuer (in such capacity, the "**Administrator**"), the Share Registrar and the Share Trustee. Ogier became the Administrator of the Issuer on October 14, 2006 when it replaced the original administrator of the Issuer, Maples Finance Limited (in such capacity, the "**Original Administrator**"). The office of the Administrator will serve as the principal office of the Issuer. Through this office and pursuant to the terms of an agreement by and between the Administrator and the Issuer (as amended, supplemented and modified from time to time) (the "**Administration Agreement**"), the Administrator will perform various administrative functions on behalf of the Issuer, including the provision of certain clerical and other services including acting as Share Registrar until termination of the Administration Agreement. In consideration of the foregoing, the Administrator will receive various fees and

reimbursement of its expenses. Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited will also act as the administrator of Investors Corp. and the registrar of the Holding Preference Shares.

The activities of the Administrator under the Administration Agreement will be subject to the overview of the Issuer's Board of Directors. The Administration Agreement may be terminated by the Issuer upon 14 days' written notice following the happening of certain events or upon 90 days' written notice in all other cases. Upon the earlier of the termination of the Administration Agreement or the dissolution of the Issuer, the Administrator shall cease to serve in such capacity.

The Administrator's principal office is at P.O. Box 1234, Queensgate House, George Town, Grand Cayman, KY1-1108, Cayman Islands.

## **Directors**

The Issuer will have three directors, each of whom will initially be an employee or officer of the Administrator or an Affiliate of the Administrator.

The directors of the Issuer, who are also the directors of Investors Corp., are Scott Dakers, Evan Burtton and Vijayabalan Murugesu. Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may, for so long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding is greater than the number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding, vote at any time to remove all (but not less than all) of the directors and appoint other directors who may be employees, officers or designees of the Servicer.

Directors of the Issuer may serve as directors of, and provide services to, other special purpose entities that issue collateralized obligations and perform other duties for the Administrator and the Servicer, as the case may be. They may be contacted at the address of the Administrator.

The director of the Co-Issuer is Donald Puglisi. Mr. Puglisi is also the President, Secretary and Treasurer of the Co-Issuer. Mr. Puglisi is a Professor of Finance at the University of Delaware. Mr. Puglisi serves as a director of, and provides services to, a number of special purpose entities. He may be contacted at the address of the Co-Issuer.

## **PREVENTION OF MONEY LAUNDERING**

To ensure compliance with applicable statutory requirements relating to anti-money laundering and anti-terrorism initiatives, the Share Registrar, on behalf of the Issuer, will require verification of identity and source of funds from all prospective purchasers of the Preference Shares. Depending on the circumstances of each purchase, it may not always be necessary to obtain full documentary evidence of identity and/or source of funds where:

1. The purchaser is a licensed entity or financial institution regulated in a country recognized as having an adequate anti-money laundering regime<sup>1</sup>;
2. The purchaser is an entity or financial institution listed on the Cayman Islands or other approved stock exchange<sup>2</sup>; or
3. The funds have been paid from an account held in the name of the purchaser at a financial institution based in a country recognized as having an adequate anti-money laundering regime.

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<sup>1</sup> The list of acceptable countries is: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bahamas, Bahrain, Barbados, Belgium, Bermuda, Brazil, British Virgin Islands, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Gibraltar, Greece, Guernsey, Hong Kong, Iceland, Ireland, Isle of Man, Israel, Italy, Japan, Jersey, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Malta, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Panama, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom and United States of America.

<sup>2</sup> A list of approved Stock Exchanges can be found under Appendix H of the Cayman Islands Money Laundering Regulations (as amended) which may be accessed on the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority website at [www.cimoney.com.ky](http://www.cimoney.com.ky).

## MATERIAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

### General

The following summary describes the principal U.S. federal income tax and Cayman Islands tax consequences that are expected to be applicable to the purchase, ownership and disposition of the Notes, but does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all the tax considerations that may be relevant to a decision to purchase the Notes. In particular, special tax considerations that may apply to certain types of taxpayers, including, without limitation, securities dealers, banks, financial institutions, partnerships, insurance companies, purchasers of Notes who did not acquire the Notes at the applicable “issue price” (defined below), and subsequent purchasers of the Notes, are not addressed. In addition, this summary does not describe any tax consequences resulting from or relating to the Preference Shares or any tax consequences arising under the laws of any state, locality or taxing jurisdiction other than the U.S. federal government and the Cayman Islands. In general, the summary assumes that a purchaser acquires a Note at original issuance and holds such Note as a capital asset and not as part of a hedge, straddle, or conversion transaction, within the meaning of section 1258 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”).

This summary is based on the U.S. and Cayman Islands tax laws, regulations, rulings and decisions in effect on the date of this Offering Memorandum. All of the foregoing are subject to change, which change may apply retroactively and could affect the continued validity of this summary.

Prospective purchasers of the Notes should note that no ruling from the Internal Revenue Service (the “IRS”) will be sought with respect to any tax matters discussed herein, and there can be no assurance that the IRS will agree with such statement and conclusions. Prospective purchasers of the Notes should consult their tax advisors as to U.S. federal income tax and Cayman Islands tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of the Notes and the possible application of state, local, foreign or other tax laws.

As used in this section, “Material Income Tax Considerations,” the term “**U.S. Holder**” means a beneficial owner of a Note who is a citizen or individual resident of the United States, a corporation (or any other entity treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes) created or organized in or under the laws of the United States, or an estate or trust (other than a “foreign estate” or a “foreign trust,” each as defined in the Code).

If a partnership (including any entity treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes) is a beneficial owner of the Notes, the U.S. federal income tax treatment of a partner in the partnership will generally depend on the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership.

**TO COMPLY WITH TREASURY DEPARTMENT CIRCULAR 230, YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT: (A) ANY DISCUSSION OF FEDERAL TAX ISSUES IN THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS NOT INTENDED OR WRITTEN TO BE USED, AND CANNOT BE USED BY YOU, FOR THE PURPOSE OF AVOIDING PENALTIES THAT MAY BE IMPOSED ON YOU UNDER THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE; (B) ANY SUCH DISCUSSION IS INCLUDED HEREIN BY THE ISSUERS IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROMOTION OR MARKETING (WITHIN THE MEANING OF CIRCULAR 230) BY THE ISSUERS OF THE TRANSACTIONS OR MATTERS ADDRESSED HEREIN; AND (C) YOU SHOULD SEEK ADVICE BASED ON YOUR PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCES FROM AN INDEPENDENT TAX ADVISOR.**

### U.S. Federal Income Taxation of the Issuer

*U.S. Federal Income Tax.* Although the Issuer will elect to be treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, there can be no assurance that it will not be treated as or become a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes. If the Issuer is treated as a partnership, the Issuer will not itself be

subject to U.S. federal income tax. The following discussion assumes that the Issuer will be treated as a partnership of U.S. federal income tax purposes at all times.

Section 864(b)(2) of the Code provides a specific exemption from U.S. federal income tax to non-U.S. persons which either (i) trade stocks or securities through a resident broker, commission agent, custodian or other independent agent or (ii) restrict their activities in the United States to trading in stocks and securities (and any other activity closely related thereto) for their own account, whether such trading (or such other activity) is by such person or its employees or through a resident broker, commission agent, custodian or other agent. This particular exemption described in clause (ii) above does not apply to foreign persons that are dealers in stocks and securities. Moreover, the Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service recently announced that they are considering taxpayer requests for specific guidance on, among other things, whether a foreign person may be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States by virtue of entering into credit default swaps. However, the Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service have not yet provided any guidance on whether they believe entering into credit default swaps may cause a foreign person to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States and if so, what facts and circumstances must be present for this conclusion to apply. If any future guidance concludes that foreign persons entering into certain credit default swaps will be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States, such guidance may adversely impact the Issuer.

Prior to the issuance of the Securities, the Issuer will receive an opinion from Latham & Watkins LLP (“**Tax Counsel**”) based, in part, on the exemption described in the preceding paragraph to the effect that, although no activity closely comparable to that contemplated by the Issuer has been the subject of any Treasury regulation, revenue ruling or judicial decision and the matter is not free from doubt, assuming compliance with the Issuer’s Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement and other related documents (collectively, the “**Documents**”) by all parties thereto, the Issuer’s permitted activities will not cause it to be treated as engaged in the conduct of a U.S. trade or business under the Code. Investors should note that gain or loss on a disposition by a foreign person of a United States real property interest may be subject to United States federal income tax even if the foreign person is otherwise not engaged in a U.S. trade or business. Because the determination of whether an asset constitutes a United States real property interest is made periodically, although the Issuer is prohibited from acquiring an asset that constitutes a United States real property interest, it is possible that an asset that was not a United States real property interest at the time such asset was acquired by the Issuer will become a United States real property interest after the asset is acquired. Because the Issuer may be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business solely with respect to such gain or loss, Tax Counsel’s opinion will not address the taxation of the Issuer with respect to such disposition. In addition, in interpreting and complying with the Documents, the Issuer and the Servicer are entitled to rely upon the advice and/or opinions of their selected counsel, and the opinion of Tax Counsel will assume that any such advice and/or opinions, other than advice given by Tax Counsel, are correct and complete. The opinion of Tax Counsel will be based on the Code, the Treasury regulations (final, temporary and proposed) thereunder, the existing authorities, and Tax Counsel’s interpretation thereof, all as in effect as of the date of such opinion, and on certain factual assumptions and representations as to the Issuer’s contemplated activities. The Issuer intends to conduct its business in accordance with the assumptions, representations and agreements upon which the opinion of Tax Counsel is based. However, opinions and advice of Tax Counsel or other counsel are not binding on the IRS. Accordingly, in the absence of authority on point, whether the Issuer is or will be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States or not is not entirely free from doubt, and there can be no assurance that positions contrary to those stated in the opinion of Tax Counsel or any other advice or opinion may not be asserted successfully by the IRS.

*U.S. Federal Withholding Taxes.* Generally, U.S. source interest income received by a foreign person not engaged in a trade or business within the United States is subject to U.S. withholding tax at the rate of 30% of the amount thereof. The Code provides an exception for interest that constitutes “portfolio interest,” which is exempt from withholding tax. The term “portfolio interest” is generally defined as interest paid with respect to debt issued after July 18, 1984 that meets the “registration” requirement, unless the interest constitutes a certain type of contingent interest or is paid to a 10% shareholder of the

payor, to a controlled foreign corporation (a “CFC”) related to the payor, or to a bank with respect to a loan entered into in the ordinary course of its business. For purposes of applying the 10% shareholder and related CFC rules, certain constructive ownership rules contained in the Code apply. The Issuer intends that all of the Collateral Obligations purchased that consist of obligations of U.S. issuers to the extent that they are treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes will either (i) pay interest qualifying as “portfolio interest” for which federal income withholding tax is not otherwise applicable or (ii) require the obligor to make “gross-up” payments to offset fully any such tax on any such payments. However, withholding tax may be imposed on certain payments received by the Issuer as a result of one or more non-U.S. persons’ ownership of Preference Shares. Furthermore, there can be no assurance that the Issuer will not become subject to such withholding without “gross-up” payments as a result of a change in or the adoption of a U.S. tax statute, or any change in or the issuance of a regulation or equivalent authority. Any such change, adoption or issuance may constitute a Withholding Tax Event. See “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

The Issuer may acquire certain types of Collateral Obligations not constituting debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes under the assumption that they are not subject to U.S. withholding tax despite the absence of clear authority that withholding tax is not payable.

Any commitment fees and any lending fees received under a Securities Lending Agreement or similar fees or other items of income (other than interest) received by the Issuer may be subject to U.S. withholding tax. However, the Issuer does not anticipate that it will derive material amounts of any such commitment fees and lending fees or similar fees or other items of income that would be subject to U.S. withholding taxes.

The Issuer may also acquire Collateral Obligations that consist of obligations of non-U.S. issuers. Payments in respect of such Collateral Obligations may be or could become subject to foreign withholding tax. In this regard, the Issuer is not generally permitted to purchase any obligations, the payments on which are subject to withholding tax, unless the issuer of the obligation is required to make “gross-up” payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax.

## **U.S. Federal Income Taxation of U.S. Holders of Notes**

*Status of the Notes.* In the opinion of Tax Counsel, the Senior Notes issued on the Closing Date will be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The Issuer will treat, and each person acquiring an interest in a Note will be deemed to agree to treat, the Notes as debt. The opinion of Tax Counsel is based on current law and certain representations and assumptions and is not binding on the IRS or the courts, and no ruling will be sought from the IRS regarding this, or any other, aspect of the U.S. federal income tax treatment of the Notes. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the IRS will not contend, and that a court will not ultimately hold, that for U.S. federal income tax purposes one or more Classes of the Notes are properly treated as equity in the Issuer. In that case, there might be adverse U.S. federal income tax consequences to a U.S. Holder of Notes upon the sale, redemption, retirement or other disposition of, or the receipt of certain types of distributions on, the Notes. Except for the discussion under “United States Income Taxation of the Class D Notes if Characterized as Equity” below, the remainder of the discussion assumes that the Notes are properly characterized as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

*Maturity Extension and Extension Bonus Payment.* Because the Stated Maturity of the Notes may be extended if certain conditions are met, it is unclear whether the Notes should be treated as maturing on November 1, 2021 or November 1, 2037, or on a date between such dates. The Treasury regulations do not provide clear guidance on debt instruments with terms similar to the Notes. Absent further guidance, the Issuer intends to take the position that the Notes should be treated as maturing on November 1, 2021. If the Notes are extended, the Issuer intends to treat each Note, solely for purposes of sections 1272 and 1273 of the Code, as retired and reissued for an amount equal to the adjusted issue price on the date of the new Extension Effective Date. Prospective investors in the Notes should consult their tax advisors regarding whether the Notes should be treated as maturing on a different date and the tax consequences if the Notes have a different maturity date than that chosen by the Issuer.

If the Stated Maturity is extended, the extension of the Stated Maturity would be treated as a modification of the Notes if the Notes may be sold to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser that is related to the Issuer within the meaning of section 267(b) of the Code. If such extension constitutes a modification, there is a significant risk that U.S. Holders who continue to hold their Notes after such extension will be treated as having exchanged their Notes for new Notes (“**New Notes**”) in a deemed exchange for U.S. federal income tax purposes (a “**Deemed Exchange**”). Any such Deemed Exchange would be treated as a taxable exchange, resulting in gain or loss, if any. Furthermore, if the Notes are treated as exchanged for New Notes in a Deemed Exchange as a result of a Maturity Extension, whether the New Notes would be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes will depend on the facts and circumstances existing at the time of such Deemed Exchange. Tax Counsel is unable to opine on whether New Notes treated as received in a Deemed Exchange for the Notes will be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In the event of a Deemed Exchange, U.S. Holders are strongly urged to consult their tax advisors regarding the tax consequences of such Deemed Exchange.

The tax treatment of the Extension Bonus Payment and the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount is unclear. The Issuer intends to take the positions that the full amount of the Extension Bonus Payment should be taxable to U.S. Holders as ordinary income in accordance with their method of accounting, that the CDS/TRS Termination Payment, if any, should be treated as part of the amount realized upon a disposition of the Notes and that none of the Extension Bonus Payment, the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount or the Issuer’s options to extend the Stated Maturity should cause the Notes to be treated as subject to the rules applicable to “contingent payment debt instruments” under Section 1.1275-4 of the Treasury regulation. U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisors regarding the taxation of the Extension Bonus Payment and the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount, and the tax consequences of the Notes if they are treated as contingent payment debt instruments.

*Taxation of Interest Income.* Stated interest on the Notes that is considered “unconditionally payable” (as described below) will be includable in income by a U.S. Holder when received or accrued in accordance with such Holder’s method of tax accounting as ordinary interest income from sources outside the United States.

If the “issue price” of any Note is less than the “stated redemption price at maturity” (“**SRPM**”) of such Note, the excess of the SRPM over the issue price may constitute original issue discount (“**OID**”). Under a de minimis rule, if the excess of the SRPM of such Note over its issue price is less than one-fourth of one percent of the SRPM multiplied by the weighted average maturity (determined under applicable Treasury regulations) of such Note, such Note will not be treated as issued with OID. If any such Notes are issued at a greater than de minimis discount or are otherwise treated as having been issued with OID, the excess of the SRPM of such Notes over their issue price will constitute OID. Under the Code, a U.S. Holder of such Notes would be required to include the daily portions of OID, if any, in income as interest from sources outside the United States over the term of such Notes under a constant yield method that reflects the time value of money, regardless of such U.S. Holder’s method of tax accounting and without regard to the timing of actual payments.

The “issue price” of the Notes is the first price at which a substantial amount of the Notes are sold for money (excluding sales to bond houses, brokers or similar persons or organizations acting in the capacity of underwriters, placement agents or wholesalers). Treasury regulations provide, for purposes of determining whether a debt instrument is issued with OID, that stated interest must be included in the SRPM of a debt instrument if such interest is not “unconditionally payable” in money at least annually. Interest is considered “unconditionally payable” if reasonable legal remedies exist to compel timely payment or terms and conditions of the debt instrument make the likelihood of late payment (other than late payment that occurs within a reasonable grace period) or nonpayment (ignoring the possibility of nonpayment due to default, insolvency or similar circumstances) a remote contingency. Stated interest on the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes and Class A-2 Notes will be “unconditionally payable” at least annually and thus will be included in income in accordance with a U.S. Holder’s method of accounting. Because interest on the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes may not be due and payable on any Payment Date to the extent that funds are not available on such Payment Date to

pay the full amount of such interest or in order to satisfy certain Coverage Tests, the Issuer intends to take the position that payment of interest on the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes will not be viewed as “unconditionally payable.” Assuming such treatment is respected, all interest payments on the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes would be required to be included in the SRPM of such Notes and, therefore, accrued by a U.S. Holder pursuant to these OID rules. Accordingly, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes would be subject to the OID rules whether or not they are issued at an issue price equal to their principal amount.

Because the Floating Rate Notes provide for a floating rate of interest, a U.S. Holder of Floating Rate Notes must include in income interest or OID, if any, on the Floating Rate Notes at the floating rate in effect for the first accrual period (assuming the Floating Rate Notes are issued without OID other than any “deemed” discount attributable to the accrual of interest). The amount of interest or OID actually recognized for any applicable period will increase (or decrease) if interest actually paid during the period is more (or less) than the amount accrued at the initial floating rate.

If the Notes of a Class are not issued at an issue price equal to their principal amount, in computing OID with respect to such Notes, the Issuer intends (absent definitive guidance) to determine the amount of OID to be included in income annually by U.S. Holders of such Notes under an income accrual method, prescribed by Section 1272(a)(6) of the Code, applicable to debt instruments payments under which may be accelerated by reason of prepayments of other obligations securing such debt instruments or a pool of debt instruments the yield on which may be affected by reason of prepayments, that uses an assumption as to the expected prepayments on the Notes. The application of section 1272(a)(6) of the Code to debt instruments with prepayment features similar to the Notes is uncertain, however, and may be challenged by the IRS. In the event that the IRS successfully challenged the Issuer’s characterization of such Notes as subject to section 1272(a)(6) of the Code, any such Notes might be treated as contingent payment debt instruments. Prospective investors should consult their tax advisors regarding the potential application of the method under section 1272(a)(6) of the Code and the rules governing contingent payment debt instruments for accruing any prospective OID on the Notes.

*Disposition of Notes.* In general, a U.S. Holder of a Note will have a basis in such Note equal to the cost of such Note to such Holder, increased by any amount includable in income by such Holder as OID and reduced by any payments of principal and interest on such Note, other than payments of stated interest that are not required to be included in the SRPM of such Note.

Upon the sale, exchange, retirement or other disposition of such Note, a U.S. Holder will recognize taxable gain or loss, if any, generally equal to the difference between the amount realized on the sale or other disposition (other than accrued stated interest that was not required to be included in the SRPM of such Note, which interest will be taxable as such) and such U.S. Holder’s adjusted tax basis in such Note. Any such gain or loss will generally be long-term capital gain or loss provided that such Note had been held for more than one year at the time of the sale or other disposition. In certain circumstances, U.S. Holders that are individuals may be entitled to preferential treatment for net long-term capital gains; however, the ability of U.S. Holders to offset capital losses against ordinary income is limited.

*United States Income Taxation of the Class D Notes if Characterized as Equity.* As discussed above, the Issuer will treat, and each person acquiring an interest in a Note will be deemed to agree to treat, the Class D Notes as debt of the Issuer and the discussions above assume that the Class D Notes would be characterized as debt for United States federal income tax purposes. However, the United States federal income tax treatment of the Class D Notes is subject to significant uncertainty and no ruling from the IRS has been sought regarding this issue. Accordingly, there can be no assurances that the IRS will not contend, and that a court will not ultimately hold, that the Class D Notes are equity of the Issuer.

If the Class D Notes were treated as equity, a U.S. Holder of Class D Notes will generally be treated as a partner of the Issuer, and would be generally required to take into account such Holder’s allocable share of the Issuer’s items of income, gain, loss, deduction and credit for the taxable year of the Issuer ending within or with the taxable year of the U.S. Holder regardless of whether such Holder has received or will receive corresponding distributions from the Issuer. Investors are strongly urged to



consult their tax advisors as to the possible characterization of the Class D Notes as equity, the tax consequences resulting from such characterization, and the advisability of filing an IRS Form 8865.

### **Tax Treatment of Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders of Notes**

U.S. Holders which are tax-exempt entities (“**Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders**”) will not be subject to the tax on unrelated business taxable income (“**UBTI**”) with respect to interest and capital gains income derived from an investment in the Notes. However, a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder that also acquires Preference Shares should consider whether interest it receives in respect of the Notes may be treated as UBTI under rules governing certain payments received from controlled entities.

Notwithstanding the discussion in the preceding paragraph, a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder which incurs “acquisition indebtedness” (as defined in Section 514(c) of the Code) with respect to the Notes may be subject to the tax on UBTI with respect to income from the Notes to the extent that the Notes constitute “debt-financed property” (as defined in Section 514(b) of the Code) of the Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder.

Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisors regarding an investment in the Notes.

### **Transfer Restrictions on the Class D Notes**

The Issuer will not recognize any transfer of Class D Notes if the proposed transfer will cause the Issuer to have more than ninety-nine beneficial owners (as determined for purposes of the provisions of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h)) of its Class D Notes and Preference Shares unless it receives the consent of all of the Holders of the Preference Shares and an opinion of counsel to the effect that Holders of the Notes will not recognize gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such transfer, and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such transfer had not been made. In addition, the Class D Notes may not be traded on an “established securities market,” and the Issuer will not recognize any transfers made pursuant to any such trades. For this purpose, the term “established securities market” includes any national securities exchange registered under Section 6 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or exempted from registration because of the limited volume of transaction; any foreign securities exchange that, under the laws of the jurisdiction where it is organized, satisfies regulatory requirements that are analogous to the regulatory requirements imposed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; any regional or local exchange; and any interdealer quotation system that regularly disseminates firm buy or sell quotations by identified brokers or dealers, by electronic means or otherwise.

Holders of the Class D Notes will not be permitted to transfer any of the Class D Notes they hold unless the transferee provides, among other things, the Trustee (1) appropriate documentation required under the Code and the applicable Treasury regulations establishing that the beneficial owner is either a non-U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-8BEN or an IRS Form W-8IMY with appropriate attachments) or a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-9), (2) if the beneficial owner is not a U.S. Holder, certification that (i) the beneficial owner either is not a bank or is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates U.S. federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States and (ii) the beneficial owner is not purchasing the Class D Notes in order to reduce its United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan, and (3) for a beneficial owner that is treated as a partnership, S-corporation or grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a written representation that (i) there will not be any interests in such beneficial owner where substantially all of the value of such interest is attributable to the value of the Class D Notes proposed to be transferred to such beneficial owner, together with the value of any Class D Notes, Holding Preference Shares and Preference Shares already held by such beneficial owner and (ii) the beneficial owner is not a part of any arrangement a principal purpose of which is to cause the Class D Notes and Preference Shares to be treated as owned by 100 persons or less within the meaning of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h). Each transferee of a Class D Note will also be required to agree to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form and other certificate in each of the following circumstances: (i) no later than 120 days prior to the expiration (if applicable) of the

last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate, (ii) upon any change of circumstance that would cause that the last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate to be incorrect and (iii) upon a request by the Issuer or the Share Registrar. Each transferee will also be required to agree that if such transferee fails to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form or other certificate no later than 120 days prior to the expiration of the last previously provided U.S. tax form or, if earlier, within the time specified in any request by the Issuer or the Share Registrar (which shall not be less than 30 days), the Issuer will have the unconditional right to cause such transferee to sell any and all Class D Notes to the Issuer or to a person chosen by the Issuer or the Issuer's agent on such terms as the Issuer may choose. For this purpose, an IRS Form W-8IMY (or any successor form thereto) will be deemed to expire upon the expiration of any withholding statement or U.S. tax forms associated with such IRS Form W-8IMY.

### **U.S. Federal Income Taxation of Non-U.S. Holders**

The summary contained in this subsection outlines certain significant U.S. federal income tax principles that are likely to apply to a beneficial owner that is treated as a non-resident alien or foreign corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes (a "**Non-U.S. Holder**"). It assumes that the Non-U.S. Holder's investment in the Issuer is not effectively connected with the conduct by such Non-U.S. Holder of a trade or business in the United States.

Payments on the Notes to a Non-U.S. Holder will generally be exempt from any U.S. federal income or withholding taxes, as will gains derived from the sale, exchange or redemption of the Notes, *provided that* such payments or gains are not effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business of such Holder, and generally, in the case of gain (excluding accrued OID, if any) of a non-resident alien individual Holder, the Holder is not present in the United States for 183 days or more during the taxable year of the sale and certain other conditions are satisfied. However, if it were determined that the Issuer were engaged in a U.S. trade or business, a portion of the payments on the Notes paid to a Non-U.S. Holder may be subject to a 30% U.S. withholding tax.

As discussed above, the United States federal income tax treatment of the Class D Notes is subject to significant uncertainty and no ruling from the IRS has been sought regarding this issue. If the Class D Notes were treated as equity of the Issuer, among other things, a Non-U.S. Holder may be subject to withholding taxes with respect to payments under the Class D Notes. Furthermore, in such event, if the Issuer were engaged in a U.S. trade or business, a Non-U.S. Holder would also be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business and would be required to file and pay U.S. federal income taxes on its allocable share of the Issuer's income (and possibly on any gain on a disposition of Class D Notes) that is (or is deemed to be) effectively connected with such U.S. trade or business at graduated U.S. federal income tax rates applicable to U.S. Holders (corporate Non-U.S. Holders may also be subject to the branch profits tax). Investors are strongly urged to consult their tax advisors as to the possible U.S. federal income tax characterization of the Class D Notes as equity and the tax consequences resulting from such characterization.

### **Information Reporting and Backup Withholding**

Information reporting to the IRS generally will be required with respect to payments on the Notes, and proceeds of the sale of the Notes to U.S. Holders other than corporations and other exempt recipients. A "backup" withholding tax generally will apply to those payments if such Holder fails to provide certain identifying information (such as the Holder's taxpayer identification number) to the Trustee. "Non-effectively connected" gain or distributions received by a Non-U.S. Holder will generally not be subject to U.S. information reporting requirements or U.S. "backup" withholding tax, although such Holder may be required to furnish a certificate to the paying agent of the Issuer attesting to their status as a Non-U.S. Holder in order to avoid the application of such information reporting requirements and backup withholding. Backup withholding is not an additional tax and may be refunded (or credited against the Holder's U.S. federal income tax liability, if any) *provided that* certain required information is furnished to the IRS in a timely manner.

## **Cayman Islands Tax Considerations**

The following discussion of certain Cayman Islands income tax consequences of an investment in the Securities is based on the advice of Ogier as to Cayman Islands law. The discussion is a general summary of present law, which is subject to prospective and retroactive change. It assumes that the Issuer will conduct its affairs in accordance with assumptions made by, and representations made to, counsel. It is not intended as tax advice, does not consider any investor's particular circumstances, and does not consider tax consequences other than those arising under Cayman Islands law.

Under existing Cayman Islands laws:

- (i) payments of principal and interest on the Notes and dividends and capital in respect of the Preference Shares will not be subject to taxation in the Cayman Islands and no withholding will be required on such payments to any Holder of a Security and gains derived from the sale of Securities will not be subject to Cayman Islands income or corporation tax. The Cayman Islands currently have no income, corporation or capital gains tax and no estate duty, inheritance tax or gift tax;
- (ii) no stamp duty is payable in respect of the issue or transfer of Securities although duty may be payable if Notes are executed in or brought into the Cayman Islands; and
- (iii) certificates evidencing Securities, in registered form, to which title is not transferable by delivery, should not attract Cayman Islands stamp duty. However, an instrument transferring title to a Note, if brought to or executed in the Cayman Islands, would be subject to Cayman Islands stamp duty.

The Issuer has been incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands as an exempted company and, as such, has applied for and obtained an undertaking from the Governor in Cabinet of the Cayman Islands in substantially the following form:

**“THE TAX CONCESSIONS LAW  
(1999 REVISION)  
UNDERTAKING AS TO TAX CONCESSIONS**

In accordance with Section 6 of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision) the Governor in Cabinet undertakes with:

Grayson CLO, Ltd. “the Company”

- (a) that no Law which is hereafter enacted in the Islands imposing any tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations shall apply to the Company or its operations; and
- (b) in addition, that no tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations or which is in the nature of estate duty or inheritance tax shall be payable
  - (i) on or in respect of the shares debentures or other obligations of the Company; or
  - (ii) by way of the withholding in whole or in part of any relevant payment as defined in Section 6(3) of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision).

These concessions shall be for a period of TWENTY years from the 14th day of February, 2006.

**GOVERNOR IN CABINET”**

The Cayman Islands does not have an income tax treaty arrangement with the U.S. or any other country.

THE PRECEDING DISCUSSION IS ONLY A SUMMARY OF CERTAIN OF THE TAX IMPLICATIONS OF AN INVESTMENT IN THE SECURITIES. PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS ARE URGED TO CONSULT WITH THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS PRIOR TO INVESTING TO DETERMINE THE TAX IMPLICATIONS OF SUCH INVESTMENT IN LIGHT OF SUCH INVESTORS' CIRCUMSTANCES.

### CONSIDERATIONS FOR BENEFIT PLANS

Except as described below, the Preference Shares and the Class D Notes may not be purchased by any Benefit Plan Investor. Subject to the following discussion, the Senior Notes may generally be acquired by Benefit Plan Investors. Any fiduciary or other person contemplating an investment in the Securities by, on behalf of or using the assets of, an employee benefit or similar plan or arrangement, whether or not subject to Title I of ERISA (as defined below) or Section 4975 of the Code, should consider, among other things, the matters described below before deciding whether to invest in any of the Securities.

The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("**ERISA**"), establishes fiduciary standards for persons having authority or control of the assets of employee benefit plans subject to Title I thereof, including collective investment funds and other entities whose underlying assets are treated as if they were the assets of such plans (collectively, "**ERISA Plans**") pursuant to Section 3(42) of ERISA, and the regulation issued by the United States Department of Labor ("**DOL**") and found at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 (the "**Plan Asset Regulation**") or otherwise pursuant to ERISA. Under Title I of ERISA, any person who exercises any authority or control with respect to the management or disposition of the assets of an ERISA Plan is considered to be a fiduciary of such ERISA Plan.

Investments by ERISA Plans are subject to ERISA's general fiduciary requirements, including the requirement of investment prudence and diversification and the requirement that an ERISA Plan's investments be made in accordance with the documents governing the relevant plan. The prudence of a particular investment must be determined by the responsible fiduciary of an ERISA Plan by taking into account the ERISA Plan's particular circumstances and all of the facts and circumstances of the investment. A fiduciary of an ERISA Plan should consider, for example, that in the future there may be no market in which to sell or otherwise dispose of the Securities, whether an investment in the Securities may be too illiquid or too speculative, and whether the assets of the ERISA Plan would be sufficiently diversified.

Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code effectively prohibit certain transactions involving the assets of an ERISA Plan (as well as those plans that are not subject to Title I of ERISA but are subject to Section 4975 of the Code (each such plan or ERISA Plan, a "**Plan**")) and certain persons having certain relationships to such Plans (referred to as "parties in interest" or "disqualified persons"), unless a statutory or administrative exemption applies to the transaction. A violation of these "prohibited transaction" rules may generate excise tax or other penalties and liabilities under ERISA and the Code for such person.

Additionally, the acquisition or holding of Securities by or on behalf of benefit plans that are not subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, such as foreign plans, governmental plans (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA) and certain church plans (as defined in Section 3(33) of ERISA) could give rise to similar liabilities under federal, state, foreign or local law which may be substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (a "**Similar Law**"), and/or might be prohibited or otherwise restricted as described herein.

Section 3(42) of ERISA and the Plan Asset Regulation define "plan assets" of a Plan with respect to the Plan's investment in an entity for purposes of certain provisions of ERISA, including the fiduciary

responsibility and prohibited transaction provisions of Title I of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code. Under Section 3(42) of ERISA and the Plan Asset Regulation, if a Plan invests in an “equity interest” of an entity that is neither a “publicly-offered security” nor a security issued by an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act, the Plan’s assets include both the equity interest and an undivided interest in each of the entity’s underlying assets, unless it is established that the entity is an “operating company” or that Benefit Plan Investors hold less than 25% of the value of any class of equity interest of the entity, determined as of the most recent acquisition of an equity interest. The term “Benefit Plan Investor” includes (a) an employee benefit plan as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA, that is subject to Title I of ERISA, (b) a plan described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code and (c) any entity whose underlying assets include “plan assets” of any of the foregoing by reason of an investment in the entity by such a plan or arrangement (a “**Benefit Plan Investor**”). For purposes of making the 25% determination, the value of any equity interests held by a person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) who has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the entity or who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to such assets, or any “affiliate” of such a person (as defined under the Plan Asset Regulation), will be disregarded. Under the Plan Asset Regulation, an “affiliate” of a person includes any person, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controlling, controlled by or under common control with the person, and “control” with respect to a person other than an individual, means the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of such person.

An “equity interest” is defined under the Plan Asset Regulation as an interest other than an instrument which is treated as indebtedness under applicable local law and which has no substantial equity features.

### **Senior Notes**

The Co-Issuers believe that, at the time of their issuance, the Senior Notes should be treated as indebtedness without substantial equity features for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulation. This determination is based in part upon the traditional debt features of such Senior Notes, including the reasonable expectation of purchasers of such Senior Notes that they will be repaid when due, as well as the absence of conversion rights, warrants and other typical equity features. The Co-Issuers will therefore not monitor the investment by Benefit Plan Investors in the Senior Notes. It should be noted that the debt treatment of the Senior Notes for ERISA purposes could change subsequent to their issuance (i.e., they could be treated as equity) if the Issuers incur losses or the rating or other terms and conditions of the Senior Notes changes. The risk of recharacterization is enhanced for subordinate classes of the Senior Notes. The Co-Issuers have not obtained an opinion of counsel regarding the debt treatment of Senior Notes under local law or the Plan Asset Regulation.

Regardless of the characterization of the Senior Notes as debt or equity under the Plan Asset Regulation and regardless of the level of Benefit Plan Investor investment in any class of Securities, the acquisition or holding of Senior Notes by or on behalf of a Plan could give rise to a prohibited transaction if any of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, other persons providing services in connection with the Issuers, or any of their respective affiliates is a “party in interest” or “disqualified person” with respect to that Plan. Persons acting on behalf of Plans that acquire the Securities should also consider that an indirect prohibited transaction could result in connection with the Issuer’s acquisition of Collateral from the Initial Purchaser (or one of its affiliates) if the Initial Purchaser is a “disqualified person” or “party in interest” with respect to such Regulated Plans. Certain exemptions from the prohibited transaction rules could be applicable, however, depending in part upon the type of fiduciary making the decision to acquire Senior Notes and the circumstances under which such decision is made. Included among these exemptions are the statutory prohibited transactions exemption under Section 408(b)(17) of ERISA available to “service providers” to the Plan (other than a fiduciary with respect to the Plan assets used to acquire the Senior Notes or any of its affiliates) provided that the transaction is for “adequate consideration”, United States Department of Labor (“**DOL**”) Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption (“**PTCE**”) 84-14, regarding transactions effected by independent “qualified professional asset managers”; PTCE 90-1, regarding investments by insurance company pooled separate

accounts; PTCE 91-38, regarding investments by bank collective investment funds; PTCE 95-60, regarding investments by insurance company general accounts; and PTCE 96-23, regarding transactions effected by certain “in-house asset managers.” However, even if the conditions specified in one or more of these exemptions are met, the scope of the relief provided by these exemptions might or might not cover all acts which might be construed as prohibited transactions. There can be no assurance that any of these, or any other exemption, will be available with respect to any particular transaction involving the Senior Notes.

Similarly, the acquisition or holding of Senior Notes by or on behalf of foreign plans, governmental plans (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA) and certain church plans (as defined in Section 3(33) of ERISA), which are not subject to Title I of ERISA and/or Section 4975 of the Code, could give rise to a prohibited transaction or other liabilities under Similar Law.

By acquiring a Senior Note, each purchaser and transferee will be deemed to represent, warrant and covenant that either (i) it is not, and is not acquiring such Senior Note with the assets of, a Plan or a foreign, governmental or church plan subject to Similar Law, and throughout the holding and disposition of such Senior Note, it will not become or transfer its interest to any Plan or foreign, governmental or church plan or to an entity using the assets thereof, or (ii) the acquisition, holding and disposition of such Senior Note by the purchaser or transferee, throughout its holding and disposition of such Senior Note, will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a foreign, governmental or church plan, any violation of Similar Law), because such purchase, holding and disposition either (x) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (y) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all of the conditions of which are and will be satisfied upon its acquisition of, and throughout its holding and disposition of, such Senior Note. Each investor in a Senior Note will be deemed to represent, warrant and covenant that it will not sell, pledge or otherwise transfer such Senior Note in violation of the foregoing, and that it and any person causing it to acquire such Senior Note agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of such purchaser not satisfying the foregoing or as a result of its transferring its interest to a Person not meeting the foregoing requirements. Any purported transfer of the Senior Note to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of the foregoing shall be null and void *ab initio*, and will vest in the transferee no rights against the Trustee or the Co-Issuers.

#### **Class D Notes and Preference Shares**

Although the Issuer will treat the Class D Notes as debt, this characterization is subject to uncertainty and the Class D Notes may be characterized as equity interests for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulation. The Preference Shares are equity of the Issuer and will be treated as equity interests for purposes of Section 3(42) of ERISA and the Plan Asset Regulation. Accordingly, the Issuer intends to limit the purchase and holding of each of the Class D Notes, the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares by Benefit Plan Investors to less than 25% of the aggregate outstanding amount of each of the Class D Notes, the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares (excluding for purposes of such determination any Class D Notes or Preference Shares held by “Controlling Persons” as defined below), by requiring each purchaser or transferee thereof to make certain representations and agreements with respect to its status as a Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person, and to agree to additional transfer restrictions described under “Transfer Restrictions.” In making the 25% determination, Class D Notes and Preference Shares held by any person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer or any “affiliate” (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) of any such person (any such person, a “**Controlling Person**”) (such as the Class D Notes and the Class II Preference Shares held by the Servicer or its affiliates and employees thereof) will be disregarded and not treated as outstanding. No purchase of a Class D Note or a Preference Share by, or proposed transfer to, a person that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person will be permitted to the extent that such purchase or transfer

would result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of the Class D Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares, as applicable, (excluding for purposes of such determination any Class D Notes or Preference Shares, as applicable, held by any Controlling Person immediately after such purchase or proposed transfer (determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents).

In addition, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Trustee will agree that, after the initial distribution of the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares, neither they nor any of their respective affiliates will acquire any Class D Notes or Preference Shares (including pursuant to the Extension Procedure, a Refinancing, or the Amendment Buy-Out Option) unless such acquisition would not, as determined by the Trustee in reliance on representations made in the applicable transfer certificates with respect thereto, result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of any of the Class D Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such acquisition (determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents). The Class D Notes and the Preference Shares held as principal by the Servicer, the Trustee, any of their respective affiliates (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) and persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% limitation to the extent that such Controlling Person is not a Benefit Plan Investor.

Each purchaser and transferee will be further required to represent, warrant and covenant that no transfer of a Class D Note or a Preference Share will be made to a Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person except as provided herein, and that it and any fiduciaries or other Person causing it to acquire such Securities agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of any transfer of Class D Notes or Preference Shares, as applicable, in violation of the foregoing.

### **Independent Review and Consultation with Counsel**

Any person proposing to purchase Securities with assets of an employee benefit plan or similar plan or arrangement, including a collective investment fund, insurance company general account or a foreign, governmental or church plan, should consult with its counsel with respect to, among other things, the limitations applicable to Benefit Plan Investors specified herein, and the potential applicability of ERISA, the Code and Similar Law to such investment and whether any exemption from the prohibited transaction provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code or such Similar Law would be applicable. Each investor must determine on its own whether all conditions of any applicable exemption have been satisfied. Moreover, each ERISA Plan fiduciary should determine whether, under the general fiduciary standards of investment prudence and diversification, an investment in the Securities is appropriate for the ERISA Plan, taking into account the overall investment policy of the ERISA Plan, the composition of the ERISA Plan's investment portfolio, and the risk/return characteristics of the Securities.

### **PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION**

The Initial Purchaser will, pursuant to and subject to the terms and conditions of the Purchase Agreement, agree to purchase all of the Offered Notes. The offering price and other terms of the offering of the Offered Notes (the "Offering") may be changed at any time without notice. Pursuant to the Purchase Agreement, the Initial Purchaser will receive certain fees and expenses on the Closing Date.

On the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S. \$75,000,000 directly from the Issuer at a discounted purchase price and (ii) the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates (other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries) are expected to purchase certain of the Class D Notes having an aggregate principal amount equal to U.S.\$16,000,000 directly from the Issuer at a discounted purchase price and are expected to purchase certain of the Holding Preference Shares having an aggregate Face

Amount equal to U.S.\$20,000,000 directly from Investors Corp., at a discounted purchase price. In addition, the Issuer will agree to sell, and Investors Corp. will agree to purchase, all of the Class I Preference Shares in privately negotiated transactions. The Initial Purchaser is not acting as a placement agent or initial purchaser with respect to the Notes and the Preference Shares sold by the Issuer to HFP or any of its subsidiaries or the Servicer or any of its Affiliates.

Each purchaser of the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares on the Closing Date will be required to execute and deliver, a subscription agreement, in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer, which will include, among other things, representations and warranties substantially similar to those described under "Transfer Restrictions."

The Issuer has been advised by the Initial Purchaser that it proposes to resell the Offered Notes (a) only to Qualified Institutional Buyers that are also Qualified Purchasers in reliance on an exemption under the Securities Act and (b) through Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited acting as its sales agent to non U.S. persons in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S. Any offer or sale of Offered Notes in the United States in the Offering will be made by the Initial Purchaser or other broker-dealers, including Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser, who are registered as broker-dealers under the Exchange Act.

The Initial Purchaser will represent and agree that it has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated an invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of Section 21 of the FSMA) received by it in connection with the issue or sale of the Offered Notes in circumstances in which Section 21(1) of the FSMA does not apply to the Issuer; and it has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA with respect to anything done by it in relation to the Offered Notes in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom.

The Initial Purchaser has represented and agreed that:

(i) it will not underwrite or place Offered Notes otherwise than in conformity with the provisions of the Investment Intermediaries Act, 1995 of Ireland, as amended, including, without limitation, Sections 9 and 23 (including advertising restrictions made thereunder) thereof and the codes of conduct made under Section 37 thereof or, in the case of a credit institution exercising its rights under the Banking Consolidation Directive (2000/12/EC of 20th March, 2000) in conformity with the codes of conduct or practice made under Section 117(1) of the Central Bank Act, 1989, of Ireland, as amended, in each case with respect to anything done by it in relation to the Offered Notes if operating in, or otherwise involving, Ireland;

(ii) in connection with offers or sales of Offered Notes, it has only issued or passed on, and will only issue or pass on, in Ireland, any document received by it in connection with the issue of such Securities to persons who are persons to whom the documents may otherwise lawfully be issued or passed on; and

(iii) in respect of a local offer (within the meaning of Section 38(1) of the Investment Funds, Companies and Miscellaneous Provisions Act 2005 of Ireland (the "2005 Act")) of Offered Notes in Ireland, it has complied and will comply with Section 49 of the 2005 Act.

The Initial Purchaser has agreed that it has not made and will not make any invitation to the public in the Cayman Islands to subscribe for the Offered Notes.

The Issuer extends to each prospective investor the opportunity, prior to the consummation of the sale of the Offered Notes, to ask questions of, and receive answers from the Issuer or a person or persons acting on behalf of the Issuer, including the Initial Purchaser, concerning the Offered Notes and the terms and conditions of this Offering and to obtain any additional information it may consider necessary in making an informed investment decision and any information in order to verify the accuracy of the information set forth herein, to the extent the Issuer possesses the same or can acquire the same without



unreasonable effort or expense. Requests for such additional information can be directed to the Initial Purchaser at 11 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10010, Attention: CDO Group.

No action is being taken or is contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Offered Notes or possession or distribution of any Offering Memorandum (in preliminary or final form) or any amendment thereof, any supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Offered Notes in any jurisdiction where, or in any other circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. The Initial Purchaser understands and agrees that it is solely responsible for its own compliance with all laws applicable in each jurisdiction in which it offers and sells Offered Notes or distributes any Offering Memorandum (in preliminary or final form) or any amendments thereof or supplements thereto or any other material and it agrees to comply with all of these laws.

The Issuer has agreed to indemnify the Initial Purchaser, the Servicer, the Administrator, the Collateral Administrator, and the Trustee against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, or to contribute to payments it may be required to make in respect thereof.

One or more Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser are financing the acquisition of Collateral Obligations by the Issuer prior to the Closing Date. In return for bearing the risk of loss on the Collateral Obligations acquired prior to the Closing Date the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates will be entitled to retain all interest and any fees and commissions (net of any financing fees payable to the Pre-Closing Parties) paid by the obligors of such Collateral Obligations or accrued from the time of purchase to the Closing Date. In addition, a broker-dealer Affiliate of the Servicer may receive a fee for placing certain of the Holding Preference Shares and/or certain of the Securities. The Initial Purchaser or its Affiliates shall also provide financing to the Servicer or its Affiliates in connection with their purchase of Class II Preference Shares which will be secured by a lien on such financed Class II Preference Shares.

In addition to the foregoing activities, the Initial Purchaser or one of its Affiliates holds equity securities of HFT issued in connection with HFT's acquisition of the limited partnership interests in HFP and acted as a co-manager in connection with the offering of such equity securities.

The Initial Purchaser or its Affiliates may own positions in and will likely have placed or underwritten certain of the Collateral Obligations (or other obligations of the issuers of Collateral Obligations) when they were originally issued and may have provided or be providing investment banking services and other services to issuers of certain Collateral Obligations. It is expected that from time to time the Servicer will purchase from or sell Collateral Obligations through or to the Initial Purchaser or its Affiliates (including a significant portion of the Collateral Obligations to be purchased on or prior to the Closing Date) and that one or more Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser may act as counterparty with respect to all or a portion of the Synthetic Securities, the Participating Institution with respect to Participations, a counterparty under a Hedge Agreement and/or a counterparty with respect to securities lending transactions (if any). The Initial Purchaser and its Affiliates may act as placement agent and/or initial purchaser in other transactions involving issues of collateralized debt obligations or other investment funds with assets similar to those of the Issuer, which may have an adverse effect on the availability of collateral for the Issuer.

The Initial Purchaser and its Affiliates may purchase Securities for their own account.

## **SETTLEMENT AND CLEARING**

### **Book Entry Registration of the Global Notes**

So long as the Depository, or its nominee, is the registered owner or Holder of a Global Note, the Depository or the nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the sole owner or Holder of the Senior Notes represented by a Global Note for all purposes under the Indenture, the Issuer Charter and the Global Notes, and members of, or participants in, the Depository as well as any other persons on whose behalf the participants may act (including Clearstream and Euroclear and account holders and participants therein) will have no rights under the Indenture, the Issuer Charter or a Global Note. Owners of beneficial interests in a Global Note will not be considered to be owners or Holders of the related Senior

Note under the Indenture or the Issuer Charter. Unless the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for a Global Note or ceases to be a “clearing agency” registered under the Exchange Act, owners of a beneficial interest in a Global Note will not be entitled to have any portion of a Global Note registered in their names, will not receive or be entitled to receive physical delivery of Senior Notes in certificated form and will not be considered to be the owners or Holders of any Senior Notes under the Indenture. In addition, no beneficial owner of an interest in a Global Note will be able to transfer that interest except in accordance with the Depository’s applicable procedures (in addition to those under the Indenture and, if applicable, those of Euroclear and Clearstream).

Investors may hold their interests in a Regulation S Global Note directly through Clearstream or Euroclear, if they are participants in Clearstream or Euroclear, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in Clearstream or Euroclear. Clearstream and Euroclear will hold interests in the Regulation S Global Notes on behalf of their participants through their respective depositories, which in turn will hold the interests in Regulation S Global Notes in customers’ securities accounts in the depositories’ names on the books of the Depository. Investors may hold their interests in a Rule 144A Global Note directly through the Depository if they are participants in the Depository, or in directly through organizations that are participants in the Depository.

Payments of principal of, or interest or other distributions on a Global Note will be made to the Depository or its nominee, as the registered owner thereof. The Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the paying agents, the Initial Purchaser, the Servicer and their respective Affiliates will not have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests in a Global Note or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to the beneficial ownership interests.

The Co-Issuers expect that the Depository or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment of principal, interest, or other distributions in respect of a Global Note representing any Senior Notes, as the case may be, held by it or its nominee, will immediately credit participants’ accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the stated aggregate principal amount or number of a Global Note for the Senior Notes, as shown on the records of the Depository or its nominee. The Co-Issuers also expect that payments by participants to owners of beneficial interests in a Global Note held through the participants will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers registered in the names of nominees for those customers. The payments will be the responsibility of the participants.

### **Global Note Settlement Procedures**

Transfers between the participants in the Depository will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with the Depository rules and will be settled in immediately available funds. The laws of some states require that certain persons take physical delivery of securities in definitive form. Consequently, the ability to transfer beneficial interests in a Global Note to these persons may be limited. Because the Depository can only act on behalf of participants, who in turn act on behalf of indirect participants and certain banks, the ability of a person holding a beneficial interest in a Global Note to pledge its interest to persons or entities that do not participate in the Depository system, or otherwise take actions in respect of its interest, may be affected by the lack of a physical certificate of the interest. Transfers between participants in Euroclear and Clearstream will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with their respective rules and operating procedures.

Subject to compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Securities described above and under “Transfer Restrictions,” cross-market transfers between the Depository, on the one hand, and directly or indirectly through Euroclear or Clearstream participants, on the other, will be effected in the Depository in accordance with the Depository rules on behalf of Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, by its respective depository; *however*, the cross-market transactions will require delivery of instructions to Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, by the counterparty in the system in accordance with its rules and procedures and within its established deadlines (Brussels time). Euroclear

or Clearstream, as the case may be, will if the transaction meets its settlement requirements, deliver instructions to its respective depository to take action to effect final settlement on its behalf by delivering or receiving interests in a Senior Note represented by a Regulation S Global Note in the Depository and making or receiving payment in accordance with normal procedures for same-day funds settlement applicable to the Depository. Clearstream participants and Euroclear participants may not deliver instructions directly to the depositories of Clearstream or Euroclear.

Because of time zone differences, cash received in Euroclear or Clearstream as a result of sales of interests in a Regulation S Global Note by or through a Euroclear or Clearstream participant to the Depository participant will be received with value on the Depository settlement date but will be available in the relevant Euroclear or Clearstream cash account only as of the business day following settlement in the Depository.

The Depository has advised the Issuer that it will take any action permitted to be taken by a Holder of Securities (including the presentation of Securities for exchange as described above) only at the direction of one or more participants in the Depository to whose account with the Depository interests in the Securities are credited and only in respect of the portion of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities as to which the participant or participants has or have given the direction.

The Depository has advised the Issuer as follows: The Depository is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a “banking organization” within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a “clearing corporation” within the meaning of the UCC and a “Clearing Agency” registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. The Depository was created to hold securities for its participants and facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of its participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates. Participants in the Depository include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations and may include certain other organizations. Indirect access to the Depository system is available to others such as banks, brokers, dealers, and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a participant, either directly or indirectly.

Although the Depository, Clearstream and Euroclear have agreed to the foregoing procedures to facilitate transfers of interests in Regulation S Global Notes among participants of the Depository, Clearstream and Euroclear, they are under no obligation to perform or continue to perform the procedures, and the procedures may be discontinued at any time. Neither the Co-Issuers nor the Trustee will have any responsibility for the performance by the Depository, Clearstream, or Euroclear or their respective participants or indirect participants of their respective obligations under the rules and procedures governing their operations.

### **TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS**

Because of the following restrictions, purchasers are advised to consult legal counsel prior to making any offer, resale, pledge or transfer of the Securities. Purchasers of Senior Notes represented by an interest in a Regulation S Global Note are advised that such interests are not transferable to U.S. Persons at any time except in accordance with the following restrictions.

Each prospective purchaser of Securities that is a U.S. Person or is purchasing the Securities in a non-Offshore Transaction (a “**U.S. Offeree**”), by accepting delivery of this Offering Memorandum, will be deemed to have represented and agreed as follows:

- (1) The U.S. Offeree acknowledges that this Offering Memorandum is personal to the U.S. Offeree and does not constitute an offer to any other person or to the public generally to subscribe for or otherwise acquire the Securities other than pursuant to transactions exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act or in Offshore Transactions in accordance with Regulation S. Distribution of this Offering Memorandum to any person other than the U.S. Offeree and those persons, if any, retained to advise the U.S. Offeree with respect thereto, and

other persons that are, (a) in the case of the Senior Notes, Qualified Institutional Buyers or non-U.S. Persons or, (b) in the case of the Class D Notes or the Preference Shares, Qualified Institutional Buyers is unauthorized and any disclosure of any of its contents, without the prior written consent of the Co-Issuers, is prohibited.

(2) The U.S. Offeree agrees to make no photocopies of this Offering Memorandum or any documents referred to herein and, if the U.S. Offeree does not purchase the Securities or the offering is terminated, to return this Offering Memorandum and all documents referred to herein to the Initial Purchaser at 11 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10010, Attention: CDO Group.

Under the Indenture (with respect to the Co-Issuers) and the Preference Share Documents (with respect to the Issuer), the Co-Issuers or the Issuer will agree to comply with the requirements of Rule 144A relative to the dissemination of information to prospective purchasers in the secondary market. See "Available Information."

The Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act and, (a) in the case of the Senior Notes, may not be offered or sold in non-Offshore Transactions or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. Persons, except to Qualified Institutional Buyers in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act who are also Qualified Purchasers and, (b) in the case of the Class D Notes or the Preference Shares, may only be offered or sold to Qualified Institutional Buyers in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act who are also Qualified Purchasers.

Any purported transfer of a Security not in accordance with this section shall be null and void and shall not be given effect for any purpose hereunder.

#### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes**

Each purchaser of a beneficial interest in Senior Notes represented by a Rule 144A Global Note will be deemed to represent and agree (on its own behalf, or if the purchaser is acquiring the Senior Notes for any account, on behalf of each such account) (and each transferee of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will be required or deemed to represent and agree) as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A or Regulation S are used herein as defined therein):

(1) (A) The purchaser is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser, (B) the purchaser is purchasing the Senior Notes for its own account or the account of another Qualified Purchaser that is also a Qualified Institutional Buyer as to which the purchaser exercises sole investment discretion, (C) the purchaser and any such account is acquiring the Senior Notes as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (D) the purchaser and any such account was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Senior Notes (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (E) to the extent the purchaser (or any account for which it is purchasing the Senior Notes) is a private investment company formed on or before April 30, 1996, the purchaser and each such account has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (F) the purchaser is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (G) the purchaser is not a pension, profit-sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants or affiliates may designate the particular investment to be made, (H) the purchaser agrees that it and each such account shall not hold such Senior Notes for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Senior Notes or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the distributions on the Senior Notes (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (I) the Senior Notes purchased directly or indirectly by the purchaser or any account for which it is purchasing the Senior Notes constitute an investment of no more than 40% of the

purchaser's and each such account's assets (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (J) the purchaser and each such account is purchasing the Senior Notes in a principal amount of not less than the minimum denomination requirement for the purchaser and each such account, (K) the purchaser will provide notice of the transfer restrictions set forth in the Indenture (including the exhibits thereto) to any transferee of its Senior Notes and (L) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Senior Notes to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph (1) shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(2) The purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Senior Notes, and the purchaser, and any account for which it is acting, are each able to bear the economic risk of the purchaser's or its investment.

(3) The purchaser understands that the Senior Notes are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Senior Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein, such Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the applicable legend in respect of such Senior Notes set forth in (6) below and the restrictions set forth in the Indenture. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Co-Issuers, the Servicer or the Initial Purchaser as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Senior Notes.

(4) The purchaser is not purchasing the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Senior Notes involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of its entire investment in the Senior Notes under certain circumstances. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Co-Issuers, the Senior Notes and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchaser.

(5) In connection with the purchase of Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Servicer by any Affiliate of or account serviced by the Servicer): (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for the purchaser, (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates other than in the Offering Memorandum and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other person) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of the Senior Notes or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the Indenture) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or

the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein reflect those in relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) if the purchaser is acting for the account of another investor, the purchaser represents that the investment on behalf of such account is based on a determination that the investment is suitable based on the risks referred to in this Offering Memorandum (including, without limitation, the "Risk Factors" and the "Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes"), given the investment objectives of the account for which the purchase is being made, and that the investment is consistent with any applicable legal requirements; (vii) the purchaser is purchasing the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (viii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

(6) (i) The purchaser understands that the Senior Notes offered to Qualified Institutional Buyers in reliance on the exemption from the registration requirements under the Securities Act provided by Rule 144A (a) will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Co-Issuers determine otherwise in accordance with applicable law, (b) will be represented by one or more Rule 144A Global Notes, and (c) may not at any time be resold, pledged or transferred to U.S. Persons that are not Qualified Institutional Buyers and Qualified Purchasers. Before any interest in a Rule 144A Global Note may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a Person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note, the transferor will be required to provide the Trustee with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), AND THE CO-ISSUERS HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE "INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT"). THE PURCHASER HEREOF, BY PURCHASING THIS NOTE, AGREES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CO-ISSUERS THAT THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN MAY BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, ONLY (A)(1) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT SO LONG AS THIS NOTE IS ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A OR (2) TO A NON-U.S. PERSON IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION COMPLYING WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND, IN CASE OF CLAUSE (1), TO A PURCHASER THAT (W) IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WITH EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER), (X) TO THE EXTENT THE PURCHASER (OR ANY ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS PURCHASING THE NOTES) IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS, (Y) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS, AND (Z) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE, (B) IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN U.S.\$250,000 FOR THE PURCHASER AND FOR EACH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS ACTING AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE STATES OF THE UNITED STATES. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS TRANSFEREE. EACH PURCHASER OF THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN WILL BE

DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE CO-ISSUERS, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE CO-ISSUERS MAINTAIN THE RIGHT TO RESELL NOTES OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED U.S. HOLDERS (AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE INDENTURE.

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

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE AND ANY PAYING AGENT WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR SUCCESSOR APPLICABLE FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE") OR AN APPLICABLE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR SUCCESSOR APPLICABLE FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THIS NOTE.

THE PURCHASER HEREOF, BY PURCHASING THIS NOTE, AGREES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CO-ISSUERS THAT THIS NOTE AND ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT TO A PERSON THAT REPRESENTS, WARRANTS AND COVENANTS THAT EITHER (I) IT IS NOT, AND IS NOT USING THE ASSETS OF, AND THROUGHOUT THE HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF SUCH NOTES WILL NOT BECOME OR TRANSFER ITS INTEREST TO, AN "EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(3) OF THE UNITED STATES EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA"), THAT IS SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA, A "PLAN" DESCRIBED IN SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE") THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, OR AN ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE THE ASSETS OF ANY SUCH PLAN, OR A GOVERNMENTAL, FOREIGN OR CHURCH PLAN SUBJECT TO ANY FEDERAL, STATE, FOREIGN OR LOCAL LAW THAT IS SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE OR (II) ITS PURCHASE, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF THIS NOTE WILL NOT RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE (OR IN THE CASE OF ANY GOVERNMENTAL, FOREIGN OR CHURCH PLAN, ANY VIOLATION OF FEDERAL, STATE, FOREIGN OR LOCAL LAW SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE) BECAUSE SUCH PURCHASE, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF SUCH NOTE EITHER (A) IS NOT, AND WILL NOT BECOME, SUBJECT TO SUCH LAWS, OR (B) IS COVERED BY AN EXEMPTION FROM ALL APPLICABLE PROHIBITED TRANSACTIONS, ALL OF THE CONDITIONS OF WHICH ARE AND WILL BE SATISFIED UPON THE ACQUISITION OF, AND THROUGHOUT ITS HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF, THIS NOTE. ANY PURPORTED

TRANSFER OF THIS NOTE THAT DOES NOT COMPLY WITH THESE REQUIREMENTS SHALL BE NULL AND VOID *AB INITIO*.

(ii) In addition, each Regulation S Global Note representing any Senior Note will contain the following additional legend:

EACH TRANSFEREE OF THE NOTE REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL, IF REQUIRED BY THE INDENTURE, BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE INDENTURE OR WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE.

(7) The purchaser will provide notice to each person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Senior Notes of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Indenture, including the exhibits referenced therein.

(8) The purchaser understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein who is a U.S. Person and who is determined not to have been both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser at the time of acquisition of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein to sell such interest, or to sell such interest on behalf of such purchaser, to a person that is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A or to a person that is a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S.

(9) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Senior Notes, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase Senior Notes from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell such Senior Note to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(10) The purchaser understands that the Stated Maturity of the Senior Notes is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

(11) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Co-Issuers that would permit a public offering of the Senior Notes in any jurisdiction. The purchaser further acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Co-Issuers that would permit possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Senior Notes in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the offering memorandum relating to the Senior Notes shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Senior Notes in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

(12) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

(13) (a) Either (i) the purchaser is not, and is not using the assets of, and throughout the holding and disposition of the Senior Notes will not become or transfer its interest to, an employee benefit plan or other fund or arrangement subject to Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("ERISA"), a plan subject to Section 4975(e) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Code") or a governmental, foreign or church plan which is subject to any federal, state, foreign or local law that is substantially similar to the provisions of



Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or (ii) the purchaser's purchase, holding and disposition of such Senior Notes will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any federal, state, foreign or local law that is substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code) because such purchase, holding and disposition of such Senior Notes either (x) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws, or (y) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all of the conditions of which are and will be satisfied upon the acquisition of, and throughout its holding and disposition of, such Senior Notes; (b) the purchaser shall not transfer an interest in such Senior Notes to any transferee unless such transferee meets the foregoing requirements; and (c) the purchaser and any fiduciaries or other Person causing it to acquire such Senior Notes agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of such purchaser not meeting the foregoing requirements or as a result of its transferring its interest to a transferee not meeting the foregoing requirements. Any purported purchase or transfer of the Senior Notes to a purchaser or transferee that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph (13) shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(14) The purchaser understands that the Co-Issuers may receive a list of participants holding positions in its securities from one or more book-entry depositories.

(15) The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Senior Notes or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Indenture, to which provisions the purchaser hereby agrees it is subject.

(16) The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

(17) The beneficial owner will agree to treat the Senior Notes as unconditional debt of the Issuer for tax, accounting and financial reporting purposes.

(18) To the extent required, as determined by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Trustee, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Senior Notes to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the U.S. Patriot Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Senior Note to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

(19) The purchaser understands that, to the extent required, as determined by the Co-Issuers, the Co-Issuers may amend the Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer only, the Preference Share Documents, without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders of the Securities that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7 if, at any time following the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers elect to rely on exclusion from the definition of "investment company" under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7).

(20) The purchaser understands that the Issuer may enter into amendments or modifications to the Servicing Agreement without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities.

(21) The purchaser agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

(22) The purchaser acknowledges that the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Co-Issuers, the Servicer and the Initial Purchaser. If the purchaser is acquiring any Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein as a fiduciary or agent for one or more institutional accounts, it represents that it has sole investment discretion with respect to each such account and it has full power to make the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements on behalf of such account.

#### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Regulation S Global Notes**

Each purchaser of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note will be further deemed (and each transferee of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note will be required or deemed), in addition to making the representations set forth in paragraphs (3), (4), (5) and (7) through (22) above in “—Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes,” to represent and agree as follows:

The purchaser is aware that the Senior Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or any other applicable state securities law and the sale of such Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Regulation S and understands that the Senior Notes offered in reliance on Regulation S will bear the appropriate legend set forth in paragraph (6) above in “—Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes” and will be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Notes. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchaser as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any other jurisdiction for resale of the Senior Notes. The purchaser and each beneficial owner of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein that it holds is not, and will not be, a U.S. Person as defined in Regulation S and its purchase of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located and will be in a principal amount of not less than U.S.\$ 250,000. The purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein, and it, and any accounts for which it is acting are each able to bear the economic risk of its investment. Before any interest in a Regulation S Global Note may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note, the transferor and the transferee will be required to provide the Trustee with written certifications as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

#### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Class D Notes**

Each purchaser of Class D Notes acquiring such Class D Notes in the initial offering will be required to enter into a Subscription Agreement with the Issuer (or otherwise provides the Issuer with a certification) pursuant to which each such purchaser will be required to represent and agree (and each subsequent transferee will be required to represent and agree), on its own behalf as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A are used herein as defined therein):

(1) The purchaser is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is aware that the sale of Class D Notes to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements provided by Section 4(2) and is acquiring the Class D Notes for its own account (and not for the account of any family or other trust, any family member or any other person). In addition, the purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Class D Notes, and the purchaser is able to bear the economic risk of the purchaser’s investment.

(2) The purchaser understands that the Class D Notes are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Class D Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Class D Notes, such Class D Notes may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the legend in respect of such Class D Notes set forth in (7) below and the restrictions set forth in the Indenture. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Issuer, the Servicer or the Initial Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Class D Notes.

(3) The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Class D Notes or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Indenture, to which provisions the purchaser agrees it is subject.

(4) The purchaser is not purchasing the Class D Notes with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that the Class D Notes will be highly illiquid and are not suitable for short-term trading. The Class D Notes are a leveraged investment in the Collateral Obligations that may expose the Class D Notes to disproportionately large changes in value. Payments in respect of the Class D Notes are not guaranteed as they are dependent on the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Class D Notes involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of all or a substantial part of its investment. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Issuer, the Class D Notes and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Class D Notes, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Issuer and the Initial Purchaser.

(5) In connection with the purchase of Class D Notes (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Servicer by any Affiliate of or account serviced by the Servicer): (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty or the Servicer is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for the purchaser, (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates other than in the Offering Memorandum and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other Person or documentation for the Class D Notes) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of the Class D Notes or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the documentation for the Class D Notes) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Class D Notes reflect those in relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) the purchaser is purchasing the Class D Notes with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming

and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (vii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

(6) (A) The purchaser is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (b) a Qualified Purchaser, (B) the purchaser is acquiring the Class D Notes as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (C) the purchaser was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Class D Notes (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser is a Qualified Purchaser), (D) to the extent the purchaser is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, the purchaser has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (E) the purchaser is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (F) the purchaser is not a pension, profit-sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants or affiliates may designate the particular investment to be made, (G) the purchaser agrees that it shall not hold such Class D Notes for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Class D Notes or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or other distributions on the Class D Notes (except when each such other Person is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (b) a Qualified Purchaser) and (H) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Class D Notes to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(7) The purchaser understands that the Class D Notes (A) will be represented by either one or more Class D Note certificates which will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Issuer determines otherwise in accordance with applicable law, and (B) may only be resold, pledged or transferred to Qualified Institutional Buyers who are also Qualified Purchasers. The purchaser understands that before the Class D Notes may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred, the transferee will be required to provide the Trustee and the Issuer with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “SECURITIES ACT”), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT”). THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER (“QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT (IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE NOTES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A) WHO IS ALSO A QUALIFIED PURCHASER (“QUALIFIED PURCHASER”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER) AND THAT (1) HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (2) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS AND (3) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE, (B) IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN U.S.\$250,000 FOR THE PURCHASER AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST

THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY BE PURCHASED BY OR TRANSFERRED TO A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR CONTROLLING PERSON (EACH AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE) ONLY UPON THE SATISFACTION OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID *AB INITIO*, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL ANY NOTES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS OR NON-PERMITTED BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS (AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE INDENTURE.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER AND ANY PAYING AGENT, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE SERVICER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY.

THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY NOT BE ACQUIRED OR HELD BY (I) ANY "EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(3) OF THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA"), THAT IS SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA, (II) ANY "PLAN" DESCRIBED BY SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE") THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, OR (III) ANY ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE "PLAN ASSETS" OF ANY PLAN DESCRIBED IN (I) OR (II) BY REASON OF A PLAN'S INVESTMENT IN SUCH ENTITY (EACH OF (I), (II) AND (III), A "BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR"), EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE.

EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE INDENTURE.

(8) The purchaser will provide notice to each Person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Class D Notes of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Indenture, including the exhibits referenced in the Indenture.

(9) The purchaser understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Class D Notes who is determined not to have been (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, at the time of acquisition of the Class D Notes to sell such Class D Notes, or to sell such Class D Notes on behalf of such purchaser, to a Person that is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act.

(10) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Class D Notes. The purchaser further acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Securities in any jurisdiction (other than

Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the offering memorandum relating to the Class D Notes shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Class D Notes in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

(11) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Class D Notes, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase Class D Notes from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell such Class D Notes to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(12) The purchaser understands that the Stated Maturity of the Class D Notes is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

(13) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Class D Notes by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

(14) The beneficial owner will agree to treat, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, (a) the Preference Shares as equity of the Issuer, (b) the Notes as indebtedness of the Issuer and (c) the Issuer as a partnership (except to the extent the Issuer can no longer be treated as a partnership as a result of any election by the Issuer, changes in ownership of the Issuer or changes in the manner in which the equity of the Issuer is traded). The beneficial owner will be deemed to have acknowledged that the Issuer is not authorized to engage in activities that could cause it to constitute a finance or lending business for U.S. federal income tax purposes and agrees that it will report its investment in the Notes consistent with such limitation.

(15) The beneficial owner, if not a U.S. Person, either (i) is not a bank (within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code (as defined below in paragraph 23)) or (ii) is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States. The beneficial owner is not purchasing the Class D Notes in order to reduce its United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan.

(16) To the extent required, as determined by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Trustee and the Indenture Registrar, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Class D Notes to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the U.S. Patriot Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Class D Note to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

(17) The purchaser agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

(18) The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

(19) The beneficial owner will agree to treat the Class D Notes as unconditional debt of the Issuer for tax, accounting and financial reporting purposes.

(20) The purchaser understands that, prior to any sale or other transfer of any interest in Class D Notes, it (or the transferee, as applicable) will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Trustee a duly executed transfer certificate substantially in the form provided in the Indenture and such other certificates and other information as they may reasonably require to confirm that the proposed transfer complies with the restrictions in the legend placed on each certificate representing the Class D Notes and in the Indenture.

(21) The purchaser understands that, to the extent required, as determined by the Co-Issuers, the Co-Issuers may amend the Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer only, the Preference Share Documents, without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders of the Securities that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7 if, at any time following the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers elect to rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7).

(22) The purchaser understands that the Issuer may enter into amendments or modifications to the Servicing Agreement without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities.

(23) The purchaser understands and agrees that no purchase or transfer of the Class D Notes (i) to a purchaser or transferee that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor (as defined in Section 3(42) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (“**ERISA**”) or a Controlling Person (as defined under the Indenture) will be effective, and the Issuer or the Indenture Registrar will not recognize or register such purchase or transfer, if such purchase or transfer would result in Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of Class D Notes (determined pursuant to Section 3(42) of ERISA, 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 and the Indenture) or (ii) will be permitted if such purchase or transfer will result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “**Code**”) (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law). The purchaser or transferee further understands and agrees that any transfer in violation of the applicable provisions of the Indenture will be null and void *ab initio*. For purposes of the determination described in clause (i) of the preceding sentence, the Class D Notes held by the Trustee, the Servicer, any of their respective affiliates (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) and any other persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding unless such person is also a Benefit Plan Investor. The purchaser’s acquisition, holding and disposition of the Class D Notes will not result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law), because such purchase, holding and disposition either (a) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (b) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all conditions of which are and will be been satisfied throughout its holding and disposition of such Class D Notes. The purchaser and any fiduciary or other Person causing it to acquire the Class D Notes agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage, or loss incurred by them as a result of a breach of the representations set forth in this paragraph (23) and paragraph (24). If the purchaser is an insurance company investing through its general account as defined in PTCE 95-60, for so long as it holds the Class D Notes, such purchaser represents that the percentage of the assets of such insurance company general account that may be treated as “plan assets” under ERISA and the Code will always remain below 25% (as determined pursuant to ERISA and the Code).

(24) (a) The funds that the purchaser is using or will use to purchase the Class D Notes are\_\_\_ / are not\_\_\_ (check one) assets of a person who is or at any time while the Class D Notes are held by the purchaser will be (A) an “employee benefit plan” as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA, that is subject to Title I of ERISA, (B) a “plan” described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code or (C) an entity whose underlying assets include “plan assets” of either of the foregoing by reason of the investment by an employee benefit plan or other plan in the entity within the meaning of Section 3(42) of ERISA or 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 (the plans and persons described in clauses (A), (B) and (C) being referred to as “**Benefit Plan Investors**”).

(b) The purchaser is\_\_\_ / is not\_\_\_ (check one) the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or any other person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer, or any “affiliate” (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) of any such person (any such person, a “**Controlling Person**”).

(25) The purchaser agrees to provide (and agrees it will cause any subsequent transferee of its Class D Notes to provide) the Indenture Registrar (1) appropriate documentation required under the Code and the applicable Treasury regulations establishing that the beneficial owner of the Class D Notes is either a non-U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-8BEN or an IRS Form W-8IMY with appropriate attachments) or a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-9) and (2) if such beneficial owner is treated as a partnership, S-corporation or grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a written representation from such beneficial owner that (i) there will not be any interests in such beneficial owner where substantially all of the value of such interest is attributable to the value of the Class D Notes proposed to be transferred to such beneficial owner, together with the value of any Class D Notes, Holding Preference Shares and Preference Shares already held by such beneficial owner and (ii) such beneficial owner is not a part of any arrangement a principal purpose of which is to cause the Class D Notes and Preference Shares to be treated as owned by 100 persons or less within the meaning of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h). The purchaser agrees to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form and other certificate in each of the following circumstances: (i) no later than 120 days prior to the expiration (if applicable) of the last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate, (ii) upon any change of circumstance that would cause that the last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate to be incorrect and (iii) upon a request by the Issuer or the Indenture Registrar. The purchaser agrees that if it fails to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form or other certificate no later than 120 days prior to the expiration of the last previously provided U.S. tax form or, if earlier, within the time specified in any request by the Issuer or the Indenture Registrar (which shall not be less than 30 days), the Issuer will have the unconditional right to cause such purchaser to sell any and all Class D Notes to the Issuer or to a person chosen by the Issuer or the Issuer’s agent on such terms as the Issuer may choose. For this purpose, an IRS Form W-8IMY (or any successor form thereto) will be deemed to expire upon the expiration of any withholding statement or U.S. tax forms associated with such IRS Form W-8IMY.

(26) The purchaser understands and agrees that the Issuer will not recognize any transfers of Class D Notes if the proposed transfer will cause the Issuer to have more than ninety-nine beneficial owners (as determined for purposes of the provisions of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h)) of its Class D Notes and Preference Shares unless it receives the consent of all of the Holders of the Preference Shares and an opinion of counsel to the effect that Holders of the Notes will not recognize gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such transfer, and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such transfer had not been made.

(27) The purchaser represents that it has not acquired the Class D Notes pursuant to a trade on an “established securities market” and agrees that it will not trade any Class D Notes on



an “established securities market.” For this purpose, the term “established securities market” includes any national securities exchange registered under Section 6 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or exempted from registration because of the limited volume of transaction; any foreign securities exchange that, under the laws of the jurisdiction where it is organized, satisfies regulatory requirements that are analogous to the regulatory requirements imposed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; any regional or local exchange; and any interdealer quotation system that regularly disseminates firm buy or sell quotations by identified brokers or dealers, by electronic means or otherwise. The purchaser understands and agrees that in the event that the purchaser acquires or trades the Class D Notes on an established securities market, as described above, the Issuer will not recognize any transfers of Class D Notes made pursuant to such acquisition or trade.

(28) The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Class D Notes are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Issuer, the Servicer and the Initial Purchaser.

### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Preference Shares**

Each initial purchaser of Preference Shares acquiring such Preference Shares from the Issuer in the initial offering will be required to enter into a Subscription Agreement with the Issuer pursuant to which each such initial purchaser will be required to represent and agree (and each subsequent transferee will be required to represent and agree), on its own behalf as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A are used herein as defined therein):

(1) The purchaser is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is aware that the sale of Preference Shares to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements provided by Section 4(2) and is acquiring the Preference Shares for its own account (and not for the account of any family or other trust, any family member or any other person). In addition, the purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Preference Shares, and the purchaser is able to bear the economic risk of its investment.

(2) The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Preference Shares have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Preference Shares, such Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the legend in respect of such Preference Shares set forth in (7) below and the restrictions set forth in the Preference Share Documents. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Issuer, the Servicer or the Initial Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Preference Shares.

(3) The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Preference Shares or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Preference Share Documents, to which provisions the purchaser agrees it is subject.

(4) The purchaser is not purchasing the Preference Shares with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares will be highly illiquid and are not suitable for short-term trading. The Preference Shares are a leveraged investment in the Collateral Obligations that may

expose the Preference Shares to disproportionately large changes in value. Payments in respect of the Preference Shares are not guaranteed as they are dependent on the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations. The purchaser understands that it is possible that, due to the structure of the transaction and the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations, dividends or other distributions in respect of the Preference Shares may be reduced or eliminated entirely. Furthermore, the Preference Shares constitute equity in the Issuer, are not secured by the Collateral and will rank behind all creditors (secured and unsecured and whether known or unknown) of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the Holders of the Notes, and any Hedge Counterparties. The Issuer has assets limited to the Collateral for payment of all Classes of the Notes and dividends and other distributions on the Preference Shares, and the Preference Shares bear, *pro rata*, the first risk of loss. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Preference Shares involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of all or a substantial part of its investment. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Issuer, the Preference Shares and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Preference Shares, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Issuer and the Initial Purchaser.

(5) In connection with the purchase of Preference Shares (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Servicer by any Affiliate of or account serviced by the Servicer): (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for the purchaser, (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates other than in the Offering Memorandum for such Preference Shares and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other Person or documentation for the Preference Shares) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of the Preference Shares or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the documentation for the Preference Shares) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Preference Shares reflect those in relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) the purchaser is purchasing the Preference Shares with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (vii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

(6) (A) The purchaser is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (b) a Qualified Purchaser, (B) the purchaser is acquiring the Preference Shares as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (C) the purchaser was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Preference Shares (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser is a Qualified Purchaser), (D) to the extent the purchaser is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, the purchaser has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (E) the purchaser is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (F)

the purchaser is not a pension, profit-sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants or affiliates may designate the particular investment to be made, (G) the purchaser agrees that it shall not hold such Preference Shares for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Preference Shares or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or other distributions on the Preference Shares (except when each such other Person is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (b) a Qualified Purchaser) and (H) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Preference Shares to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(7) The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares (A) will be represented by either one or more Preference Share certificates which will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Issuer determines otherwise in accordance with applicable law, and (B) may only be resold, pledged or transferred to Qualified Institutional Buyers who are also Qualified Purchasers. The purchaser understands that before the Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred, the transferee will be required to provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Issuer with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “**SECURITIES ACT**”), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**”). THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER (“**QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT (IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE PREFERENCE SHARES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A) WHO IS ALSO A QUALIFIED PURCHASER (“**QUALIFIED PURCHASER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER) AND THAT (1) HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (2) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS AND (3) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE, (B) IN EACH CASE, IN A NUMBER OF NOT LESS THAN 100 PREFERENCE SHARES FOR THE PURCHASER AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY BE PURCHASED BY OR TRANSFERRED TO A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR CONTROLLING PERSON (EACH AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) ONLY UPON THE SATISFACTION OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID *AB INITIO*, AND WILL NOT OPERATE

TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL ANY PREFERENCE SHARES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS OR NON-PERMITTED BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS (AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER AND ANY PAYING AGENT, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE SERVICER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY.

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY NOT BE ACQUIRED OR HELD BY (I) ANY "EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(3) OF THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA"), THAT IS SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA, (II) ANY "PLAN" DESCRIBED BY SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE") THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, OR (III) ANY ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE "PLAN ASSETS" OF ANY PLAN DESCRIBED IN (I) OR (II) BY REASON OF A PLAN'S INVESTMENT IN SUCH ENTITY (EACH OF (I), (II) AND (III), A "BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR"), EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

(8) The purchaser will provide notice to each Person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Preference Shares of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Preference Share Documents, including the exhibits referenced in the Preference Share Documents.

(9) The purchaser understands that the Preference Share Documents permit the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Preference Shares who is determined not to have been (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, at the time of acquisition of the Preference Shares to sell such Preference Shares, or to sell such Preference Shares on behalf of such purchaser, to a Person that is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act.

(10) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Preference Shares. The purchaser further acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Securities in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the offering memorandum relating to the Preference Shares shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Preference Shares in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

(11) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Preference Shares, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase Preference Shares from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof (or, with respect to any Preference Shares held by Investors Corp., to purchase the Holding Preference Shares from any Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder thereof), in each case, at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder or Non-Consenting Holding Preference Shares Holder will be required to sell such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be, to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(12) The purchaser understands that the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

(13) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Preference Shares by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

(14) The beneficial owner will agree to treat, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, (a) the Preference Shares as equity of the Issuer, (b) the Notes as indebtedness of the Issuer and (c) the Issuer as a partnership (except to the extent the Issuer can no longer be treated as a partnership as a result of any election by the Issuer, changes in ownership of the Issuer or changes in the manner in which the equity of the Issuer is traded). The beneficial owner will be deemed to have acknowledged that the Issuer is not authorized to engage in activities that could cause it to constitute a finance or lending business for U.S. federal income tax purposes and agrees that it will report its investment in Preference Shares consistent with such limitation.

(15) The beneficial owner, if not a U.S. Person, either (i) is not a bank (within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code (as defined below in paragraph 23)) or (ii) is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States. The beneficial owner is not purchasing the Preference Shares in order to reduce its United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan.

(16) To the extent required, as determined by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Preference Shares to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the U.S. Patriot Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Preference Share to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

(17) The purchaser agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

(18) The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

(19) The purchaser understands that, prior to any sale or other transfer of any interest in Preference Shares, it (or the transferee, as applicable) will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent a duly executed transfer certificate substantially in the form provided in the Preference Share Documents and such other certificates and other

information as they may reasonably require to confirm that the proposed transfer complies with the restrictions in the legend placed on each certificate representing the Preference Shares and in the Preference Share Documents.

(20) The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer has the right pursuant to Section 6 of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement to issue additional Preference Shares.

(21) The purchaser understands that, to the extent required, as determined by the Co-Issuers, the Co-Issuers may amend the Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer only, the Preference Share Documents without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders of the Securities that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7 if, at any time following the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers elect to rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7).

(22) The purchaser understands that the Issuer may enter into amendments or modifications to the Servicing Agreement without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities.

(23) The purchaser understands and agrees that no purchase or transfer of the Preference Shares to (i) a purchaser or transferee that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor (as defined in Section 3(42) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”) or a Controlling Person (as defined under the Indenture) will be effective, and the Issuer or the Share Registrar will not recognize or register such purchase or transfer, if such purchase or transfer would result in Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares (determined pursuant to Section 3(42) of ERISA, 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents) or (ii) will be permitted if such purchase or transfer will result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “Code”) (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law). The purchaser or transferee further understands and agrees that any transfer in violation of the applicable provisions of the Preference Share Documents will be null and void *ab initio*. For purposes of the determination described in clause (i) of the preceding sentence, the Preference Shares held by the Trustee, the Servicer, any of their respective affiliates (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) and any other persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding unless such person is also a Benefit Plan Investor. The purchaser’s acquisition, holding and disposition of the Preference Shares will not result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any violation of substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law), because such purchase, holding and disposition either (a) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (b) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all conditions of which are and will be been satisfied throughout its holding and disposition of such Preference Shares. The purchaser and any fiduciary or Person causing it to acquire the Preference Shares agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage, or loss incurred by them as a result of a breach of the representations set forth in this paragraph (23) and paragraph (24). If the purchaser is an insurance company investing through its general account as defined in PTCE 95-60, for so long as it holds the Preference Shares, such purchaser represents that the percentage of assets of such insurance company general account that may be treated as “plan assets” under ERISA and the Code will always remain below 25% (as determined pursuant to ERISA and the Code).

(24) (a) The funds that the purchaser is using or will use to purchase the Preference Shares are\_\_\_ / are not\_\_\_ (check one) assets of a person who is or at any time while the Preference Shares are held by the purchaser will be (A) an “employee benefit plan” as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA, that is subject to Title I of ERISA, (B) a “plan” described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code or (C) an entity whose underlying assets include “plan assets” of either of the foregoing by reason of the investment by an employee benefit plan or other plan in the entity within the meaning of Section 3(42) of ERISA or 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 or otherwise.

(b) The purchaser is\_\_\_ / is not\_\_\_ (check one) the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or any other person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer, or any “affiliate” (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) of any such person.

(25) The purchaser agrees to provide (and agrees it will cause any subsequent transferee of its Preference Shares to provide) the Share Registrar (1) appropriate documentation required under the Code and the applicable Treasury regulations establishing that the beneficial owner of the Preference Shares to be transferred is either a non-U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-8BEN or an IRS Form W-8IMY with appropriate attachments) or a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-9) and (2) if such beneficial owner is treated as a partnership, S-corporation or grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a written representation from such beneficial owner that (i) there will not be any interests in such beneficial owner where substantially all of the value of such interest is attributable to the value of the Preference Shares proposed to be transferred to such beneficial owner, together with the value of any Class D Notes, Holding Preference Shares and Preference Shares already held by such beneficial owner and (ii) such beneficial owner is not a part of any arrangement a principal purpose of which is to cause the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares to be treated as owned by 100 persons or less within the meaning of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h). The purchaser agrees to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form and other certificate in each of the following circumstances: (i) no later than 120 days prior to the expiration (if applicable) of the last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate, (ii) upon any change of circumstance that would cause that the last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate to be incorrect and (iii) upon a request by the Issuer or the Share Registrar. The purchaser agrees that if it fails to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form or other certificate no later than 120 days prior to the expiration of the last previously provided U.S. tax form or, if earlier, within the time specified in any request by the Issuer or the Share Registrar (which shall not be less than 30 days), the Issuer will have the unconditional right to cause such purchaser to sell any and all Preference Shares to the Issuer or to a person chosen by the Issuer or the Issuer’s agent on such terms as the Issuer may choose. For this purpose, an IRS Form W-8IMY (or any successor form thereto) will be deemed to expire upon the expiration of any withholding statement or U.S. tax forms associated with such IRS Form W-8IMY.

(26) The purchaser understands and agrees that the Issuer will not recognize any transfers of Preference Shares if the proposed transfer will cause the Issuer to have either (a) exactly one beneficial owner or (b) more than ninety-nine beneficial owners (as determined for purposes of the provisions of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h)) of its Class D Notes and its Preference Shares unless, in the case of clause (b), it receives the consent of all of the Holders of the Preference Shares and an opinion of counsel to the effect that Holders of the Notes will not recognize gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such transfer, and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such transfer had not been made.

(27) The purchaser represents that it has not acquired the Preference Shares pursuant to a trade on an “established securities market” and agrees that it will not trade any Preference Shares on an “established securities market.” For this purpose, the term “established securities market” includes any national securities exchange registered under Section 6 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or exempted from registration because of the limited volume of transaction; any foreign securities exchange that, under the laws of the jurisdiction where it is organized, satisfies regulatory requirements that are analogous to the regulatory requirements imposed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; any regional or local exchange; and any interdealer quotation system that regularly disseminates firm buy or sell quotations by identified brokers or dealers, by electronic means or otherwise. The purchaser understands and agrees that in the event that the purchaser acquires or trades the Preference Shares on an established securities market, as described above, the Issuer will not recognize any transfers of Preference Shares made pursuant to such acquisition or trade.

(28) The purchaser is\_\_\_ / is not\_\_\_ (check one) Highland Financial Partners, L.P. or any of its subsidiaries.

(29) The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Preference Shares are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Issuer, the Servicer and the Initial Purchaser.

### **LISTING AND GENERAL INFORMATION**

1. The Issuer and the Co-Issuer accept responsibility for the information contained in this document. To the best knowledge and belief of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, the information contained in this document is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

2. Application will be made to list the Senior Notes on the ISE. However, there can be no assurance that any admission will be granted or maintained. In connection with the listing of the Senior Notes on the ISE, this Offering Memorandum will be filed with the Registrar of Companies of Ireland, pursuant to the ISE Listing Rules and the IFSRA Rules. Prior to the listing, a legal notice relating to the issue of the Senior Notes and copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer will be deposited with AIB International Financial Services Ltd. and at the principal office of the Issuer, where copies thereof may be obtained, free of charge, upon request.

3. As long as any of the Senior Notes are Outstanding and listed on the ISE, copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer, the Administration Agreement, the Resolutions, the resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer authorizing the issuance of the Senior Notes, the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, any Hedge Agreement and the Monthly Report will be available for inspection at the offices of the Co-Issuers and the Irish Paying Agent in the City of Dublin, where copies thereof may be obtained upon request in printed form.

4. For fourteen days following the date of listing of the Senior Notes on the ISE, copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer, the Administration Agreement, the Resolutions, the resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer authorizing the issuance of the Senior Notes, the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and any Hedge Agreement will be available for inspection at the principal office of the Co-Issuers and the Irish Paying Agent in the City of Dublin and copies thereof may be obtained upon request.

5. Copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer, the Administration Agreement, the Resolutions, the resolutions of the Board of Directors of the



Co-Issuer authorizing the issuance of the Senior Notes, the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, any Hedge Agreement and the Monthly Report prepared by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer containing information relating to the Collateral will be available for inspection so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding at the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee.

6. Each of the Co-Issuers represents that as of the date of this Offering Memorandum, there has been no material adverse change in its financial position since its date of incorporation. Since its date of incorporation, neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has commenced operations, other than the Issuer purchasing certain Collateral Obligations and selling participation interests therein pursuant to a master participation agreement preparatory to the offering of the Securities, and no annual reports or accounts have been prepared as of the date of this Offering Memorandum.

7. The Co-Issuers are not involved in any litigation or arbitration proceedings (including any such proceedings which are pending or threatened of which the Co-Issuers are aware) which may have or have had within the last twelve (12) months a significant effect on the financial position of the Co-Issuers.

8. The issuance of the Securities was authorized and approved by the Board of Directors of the Issuer by the Resolutions. The issuance of the Senior Notes was authorized and approved by the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer by resolutions passed on or before the Closing Date.

9. Since the date of their incorporation, no financial statements of the Co-Issuers have been prepared. The Issuer is not required by Cayman Islands law to publish financial statements, and does not intend to publish any financial statements. The Issuer is required to provide written confirmation to the Trustee, on an annual basis, that no Event of Default or other matter that is required to be brought to the Trustee's attention has occurred.

#### **IDENTIFYING NUMBERS**

The Senior Notes sold in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S and represented by Regulation S Global Notes have been accepted for clearance under the Common Codes in the table below. The table also lists the CUSIP Numbers and the International Securities Identification Numbers (ISIN).

Security	CUSIP	Common Code	ISIN
<b>Class A-1a Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	389669 AA 0	N/A	US389669AA07
Regulation S Global Notes	G40763 AA 5	027591256	USG40763AA52
<b>Class A-1b Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	389669 AB 8	N/A	US389669AB89
Regulation S Global Notes	G40763 AB 3	027591299	USG40763AB36
<b>Class A-2 Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	389669 AC 6	N/A	US389669AC62
Regulation S Global Notes	G40763 AC 1	027591388	USG40763AC19
<b>Class B Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	389669 AD 4	N/A	US389669AD46
Regulation S Global Notes	G40763 AD 9	027591426	USG40763AD91
<b>Class C Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	389669 AE 2	N/A	US389669AE29
Regulation S Global Notes	G40763 AE 7	027591469	USG40763AE74
<b>Class D Notes</b>			
Certificated Class D Notes	389668 AA 2	N/A	US389668AA24
<b>Class I Preference Shares</b>			
Certificated Preference Shares	389668 20 3	N/A	US3896682032
<b>Class II Preference Shares</b>			
Certificated Preference Shares	389668 30 2	N/A	US3896683022

### LEGAL MATTERS

Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchaser by Latham & Watkins LLP, New York, New York. Certain matters with respect to Cayman Islands corporate law and tax law will be passed upon for the Issuer by Ogier, George Town, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, Cayman Islands. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Servicer by Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, Los Angeles, California.

## GLOSSARY OF DEFINED TERMS

**“Accrued Interest On Sale”** means interest accrued on a Collateral Obligation at the time of sale or other disposition to the extent paid to the Issuer as part of the sale or other disposition price of the Collateral Obligation after deduction of any amount representing Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal”** means (i) interest accrued on or purchased with a Collateral Obligation as part of the price paid by the Issuer to acquire the Collateral Obligation less any amount of Interest Proceeds (applied as Interest Proceeds) applied by the Issuer to acquire the accrued interest at the time of purchase and (ii) interest accrued on a Loan that constitutes part of the price paid by the Issuer to repurchase and terminate participations sold to Pre-Closing Parties to finance the Issuer’s pre-closing acquisition of such Loan.

**“Act”** means any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action to be given or taken by Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares under the Indenture embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments (which may be an electronic document, including, but not limited to, in the form of e-mail, to the extent permitted by applicable law) of substantially similar tenor signed by Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares in person or by agents duly appointed in writing (*provided that no signature shall be required on electronic documents, including, but not limited to, in the form of e-mail to the extent permitted by law*). Except as otherwise expressly provided in the Indenture the action shall become effective when the instruments are delivered to the Trustee (which instrument or instruments may be delivered through the Preference Shares Paying Agent, in the case of the Holders of the Preference Shares) and, if expressly required, to the Issuer. The instruments (and the action embodied in them) are referred to as the **“Act”** of the Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares signing the instruments.

**“Administrative Expense Cap”** means, an amount on any Payment Date equal to the excess of:

(i) the sum of 0.04% of the Maximum Amount on the related Determination Date plus \$150,000; *over*

(ii) the sum of the amounts paid for Administrative Expenses in the twelve months preceding the current Payment Date.

**“Administrative Expenses”** means amounts due or accrued representing:

(i) tax preparation, filing, and registration fees or expenses and any other filing and registration fees owed by the Co-Issuers or Investors Corp. (including all filing, registration and annual return fees payable to the Cayman Islands government and registered office fees);

(ii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Trustee (including all amounts under Section 6.7 of the Indenture), the Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator and the Original Administrator;

(iii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Co-Issuers and Investors Corp. and of accountants, agents and counsel for each of the Co-Issuers and Investors Corp.;

(iv) fees and expenses of the Rating Agencies in connection with any rating of the Notes owed by either Co-Issuer (including fees and expenses for ongoing surveillance, credit estimates and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies);

(v) expenses and indemnities (but not Servicing Fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;

(vi) fees, indemnities and expenses for third-party loan pricing services and accountants; and

(vii) amounts due (other than indemnities) to any other Person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for in the Indenture, including fees or expenses in connection with any Securities Lending Agreement.

**“Affected Class”:** Any Class of Notes that, as a result of the occurrence of a Tax Event, has received or will receive less than the aggregate amount of principal and interest that would otherwise have been payable to such Class on the Distribution Date related to the Due Period with respect to which such Tax Event occurs.

**“Affiliate” or “Affiliated”** means with respect to a Person,

(i) any other Person who, directly or indirectly, is in control of, or controlled by, or is under common control with, the Person; or

(ii) any other Person who is a director, officer or employee (A) of the Person, (B) of any subsidiary or parent company of the Person or (C) of any Person described in clause (i) above.

For the purposes of this definition, control of a Person shall mean the power, direct or indirect:

(A) to vote more than 50% of the securities having ordinary voting power for the election of directors of the Person; or

(B) to direct the corporate management and corporate policies of the Person whether by contract or otherwise (this does not include the Servicing Agreement unless it is amended expressly to provide those services).

For the purpose of this definition, the Administrator and its Affiliates are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Co-Issuers and the Co-Issuers are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Administrator, or any of their Affiliates.

**“Aggregate Outstanding Amount”** means, when used with respect to any of the Notes as of any date, the aggregate principal amount of such Notes on that date. When used with respect to the Preference Shares as of any date, means the number of such Preference Shares Outstanding on such date.

Except as otherwise provided herein:

(i) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1a Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1b Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(iii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-2 Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(iv) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes at any time shall include all Class B Deferred Interest attributed thereto;

(v) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes at any time shall include all Class C Deferred Interest attributed thereto; and

(vi) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes at any time shall include all Class D Deferred Interest attributed thereto.

**“Aggregate Principal Balance”** means, when used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Principal Balances of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Principal Balance means the sum of the Principal Balances of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**“Aggregate Purchase Price Amount”** means, when used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Purchase Price Amount means the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**“Allocable Principal Balance”** means, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, the portion of the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security that is allocable to each Reference Obligation comprising such index or indices based upon allocating the Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security among such Reference Obligations in the same proportion as each Reference Obligation bears to the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security.

**“Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price”** means, the purchase price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Transaction Securities purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the date of purchase payable to the Non-Consenting Holder (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), plus any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment, plus in the case of any Notes held or, with respect to any Notes representing Global Notes, beneficially owned, by a CDS/TRS Purchaser, the applicable CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount, if any, and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares and the Holding Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, the Closing Date (and any amounts payable, if any, to the Non-Consenting Holder or the Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder, as applicable, on the next succeeding Payment Date) would cause such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); *provided, however*, that in any Amendment Buy-Out from and after the date on which the Non-Consenting Holders of Preference Shares or the Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price for such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, shall be zero.

**“Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser”** means the Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Transaction Securities from Holders pursuant to “Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out,” “Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser” shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser, the Investors Corp. Initial Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; *provided, however*, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, the Investors Corp. Initial Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

**“Applicable Discount Rate”** : means, for purposes of determining the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount with respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser in connection with an Amendment Buy-Out, USD-LIBOR-BBA, as defined in the Annex to the 2000 ISDA Definitions as determined by the applicable

CDS/TRS Purchaser on the Business Day preceding the date of purchase of the applicable Notes from such CDS/TRS Purchaser in connection with such Amendment Buy-Out.

**“Applicable Note Interest Rate”** means, with respect to the Notes of any Class, the Note Interest Rate with respect to such Class.

**“Applicable Percentage”** means the lesser of the Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate and the S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation as specified in the tables below.

<b>Moody’s Priority Category</b>	<b>Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Synthetic Securities .....	In the case of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the “Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate” given by Moody’s to the Form-Approved Synthetic Security at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security by Moody’s; and</li> <li>(ii) any other Synthetic Security, the “Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate” given by Moody’s to the Synthetic Security at the time of acquisition of the Synthetic Security.</li> </ul>
Structured Finance Obligations .....	The Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the Moody’s Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 5</u> to the Indenture by reference to the type of asset and its then Moody’s Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that schedule does not apply, on a case-by-case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
unsecured DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligations not covered above or below..	As determined by Moody’s on a case-by-case basis.

For High-Yield Bonds, Moody’s Senior Secured Loans and Moody’s Non Senior Secured Loans, the relevant Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate is the rate determined pursuant to the table below based on the number of rating subcategories difference between the High-Yield Bond’s or Loan’s Moody’s Obligation Rating and its Moody’s Default Probability Rating (for purposes of clarification, if the Moody’s Obligation Rating is higher than the Moody’s Default Probability Rating, the rating subcategories difference will be positive and if it is lower, negative):

<b>Number of Moody’s Rating Subcategories Difference Between the Moody’s Obligation Rating and the Moody’s Default Probability Rating</b>	<b>Moody’s Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>Moody’s Non Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>High-Yield Bonds</b>
+2 or more	60.0%	45.0%	40.0%
+1	50.0%	42.5%	35.0%
0	45.0%	40.0%	30.0%
-1	40.0%	30.0%	15.0%
-2	30.0%	15.0%	10.0%
-3 or less	20.0%	10.0%	2.0%

If no Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate has been specifically assigned with respect to a Loan pursuant to the above table, and the Loan is a secured DIP Loan, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is 50.0%.

<b>S&amp;P Priority Category</b>	<b>S&amp;P Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Secured Loans other than Subordinated Lien Loans or DIP Loans .....	55.0%
Senior Unsecured Loans.....	37.5%
Second Lien Loans .....	37.5%
Subordinated Lien Loans other than a DIP Loan .....	21.5%
Senior Secured High-Yield Bonds	44.0%
Senior Unsecured High-Yield Bonds .....	30.0%
Subordinated High-Yield Bonds ..	18.0%
Structured Finance Obligations ....	The S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the S&P Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in S&P Recovery Rate Matrix by reference to the type of asset and its then S&P Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that table does not apply, on a case by case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
Synthetic Securities .....	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation.
DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligation not covered above.....	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis.

**"Approved Pricing Service"** means Loan Pricing Corporation, Mark-It-Partners, Inc. or any other nationally recognized loan pricing service approved in writing by S&P.

**"Approved Replacement"** means an individual who shall (x) be proposed by Highland Capital to replace James Dondero, Mark Okada or Todd Travers (or a prior Approved Replacement therefor) within 30 days after James Dondero, Mark Okada or Todd Travers (or a prior Approved Replacement therefor) fails to be a partner, director, officer or management-level employee of Highland Capital or, following any objection pursuant to the following clause (y) to the first proposed replacement, within 30 days after such objection and (y) not have been objected to by either (A) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or (B) a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by Highland Capital or any of its Affiliates), within 30 days after written notice of such Approved Replacement has been given by the Servicer to the Controlling Class of Notes and the Holders of Preference Shares.

**"Ask-Side Market Value"** means, as of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any lent Collateral Obligation based upon the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations which are also Independent from the Servicer or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices could not be obtained, the higher of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations which are also Independent from the Servicer or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices could not be obtained, the average of the ask-side prices for the purchase of such Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer); *provided* that if the Ask-

Side Market Value of any lent Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the outstanding principal balance thereof.

**“Assigned Moody’s Rating”** means the monitored publicly available rating or the monitored estimated rating expressly assigned to a debt obligation (or facility) by Moody’s that addresses the full amount of the principal and interest promised.

**“Authorized Officer”** means, with respect to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp., any Officer or agent who is authorized to act for the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp., as applicable, in matters relating to, and binding on, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp. With respect to the Servicer, any managing member, Officer, manager, employee, partner or agent of the Servicer who is authorized to act for the Servicer in matters relating to, and binding on, the Servicer with respect to the subject matter of the request, certificate or order in question. With respect to the Trustee or any other bank or trust company acting as trustee of an express trust or as custodian, a Trust Officer. Each party may receive and accept a certification of the authority of any other party as conclusive evidence of the authority of any Person to act, and the certification may be considered as in full force and effect until receipt by the other party of written notice to the contrary.

**“Average Life”** means, as of any Measurement Date with respect to any Collateral Obligation (other than any Defaulted Collateral Obligation), the quotient obtained by dividing:

- (i) the sum of the products of:
  - (A) the number of years (rounded to the nearest hundredth) from the Measurement Date to the respective dates of each successive scheduled payment of principal of the Collateral Obligation; and
  - (B) the respective amounts of the successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation; by
- (ii) the sum of all successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Bank”** means Investors Bank & Trust Company in its individual capacity and not as Trustee.

**“Bankruptcy Code”** means the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, Title 11 of the United States Code.

**“Bankruptcy Law”** means the Bankruptcy Code, Part V of the Companies Law (2004 Revision) of the Cayman Islands and the Bankruptcy Law (1997 Revision) of the Cayman Islands.

**“Board of Directors”** means with respect to the Issuer, the directors of the Issuer duly appointed by a resolution of the holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares or by resolution of the Board of Directors and, with respect to the Co-Issuer, the directors of the Co-Issuer duly appointed by the stockholders of the Co-Issuer; *provided, however*, that notwithstanding the foregoing, if the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding is greater than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may remove all (but not less than all) of the directors of the Issuer and appoint other directors (who may be employees, officers or designees of the Servicer) and thereafter (so long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding is greater than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding) the power to appoint directors of the Issuer shall be exercised by a vote of the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares instead of by resolution of the holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares.

**“Business Day”** means a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in New York City, and any other city in which the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee is located and, in the case of the final payment of principal of any Note, the place of presentation of the Note designated by the Trustee; *provided, however* that, for purposes of determining LIBOR, “Business Day”



must also be a day on which dealings in deposits in Dollars are transacted in the London interbank market. To the extent action is required of the Irish Listing Agent and Irish Paying Agent, Dublin, Ireland shall be considered in determining "Business Day" for purposes of determining when actions by the Irish Paying Agent are required.

**"Caa1 Collateral Obligations"** means the Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have a Moody's Rating below "B3."

**"Cash"** means such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for payment of all public and private debts.

**"CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations"** means the Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have (i) a Moody's Rating below "B3" and/or (ii) an S&P Rating below "B-".

**"CCC+/Caa1 Excess Market Value Percentage"** means the percentage equivalent of a fraction, the numerator of which is the aggregate Market Value of CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations (in order of ascending Market Value Percentage, starting with the CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation with the lowest Market Value Percentage) with an aggregate Principal Balance equal to Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations and the denominator of which is an amount equal to the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations.

**"CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount"** means, with respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser in connection with an Amendment Buy-Out, as the case may be, (i) on any Payment Date prior to the November 2010 Payment Date, an amount equal to the present value of the Fixed Amounts with respect to such CDS/TRS Purchaser and each Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period until the last Fixed Rate Calculation Period, discounting each Fixed Amount from the Payment Date following the end of each such Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period to the date of purchase of the applicable Notes at the Applicable Discount Rate, and (ii) on any Payment Date on and after the November 2010 Payment Date, zero; *provided* that, in the case of clause (i), the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount shall be calculated by the Servicer and subject to the approval of such CDS/TRS Purchaser.

**"CDS/TRS Purchaser"**: means, a Holder of the Notes or, in the case of Notes represented by Global Notes, any beneficial owner thereof that has entered into either a credit default swap or a total return swap with respect to such Notes and has provided the Issuer and the Trustee with a written certification regarding its entry into such swap in a form reasonably acceptable to the Issuer (or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer).

**"Class"** means all of the Notes having the same priority and the same Stated Maturity and all of the Preference Shares.

**"Class A Coverage Tests"** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class A-1a Notes, Class A-1b Notes and Class A-2 Notes.

**"Class B Coverage Tests"** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class B Notes.

**"Class B Deferred Interest"** means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes.

**"Class C Coverage Tests"** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class C Notes.

**"Class C Deferred Interest"** means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C Notes.

**"Class D Coverage Tests"** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class D Notes.

**“Class D Deferred Interest”** means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class D Notes.

**“Class Scenario Loss Rate”** means, with respect to any Class of Notes rated by S&P, an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, consistent with S&P’s rating of the Class of Notes on the Closing Date, determined by application of the S&P CDO Monitor.

**“Clearstream”** means Clearstream Banking, société anonyme, a corporation organized under the laws of the Duchy of Luxembourg.

**“Collateral Administration Agreement”** means the agreement dated as of the Closing Date among the Issuer, the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**“Collateral Administrator”** means the Bank in its capacity as collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement.

**“Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares”** means, with respect to any Payment Date, a Holder that has consented by delivering an irrevocable written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent to a distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds on such Payment Date, as described in “Description of the Securities—Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.”

**“Controlling Class”** means the Class A-1a Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class A-1a Notes are Outstanding; then the Class A-1b Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class A-1b Notes are Outstanding; then the Class A-2 Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class A-2 Notes are Outstanding; then the Class B Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class B are Outstanding; the Class C Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class C Notes are Outstanding; and then the Class D Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class D Notes are Outstanding.

**“Corporate Trust Office”** means the corporate trust office of the Trustee at which the Trustee performs its duties under the Indenture, currently having an address of 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code: EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116 telecopy no. (617) 351-4358, Attention: CDO Services Group, or any other address the Trustee designates from time to time by notice to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Issuer and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Trustee.

**“Credit Improved Obligation”** is any Collateral Obligation that (a) is sold pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange or (b) in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has improved in credit quality; *provided* that, in forming such judgment, a reduction in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment; and *provided, further*, that, if a Credit Rating Event is in effect, such Collateral Obligation will be considered a Credit Improved Obligation only if in addition to the above:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been upgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing positive credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under the Indenture;

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced a reduction in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread

(prior to such decrease) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Servicer (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's);

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has increased by at least 1.00% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Servicer (*provided* that this subclause (iii)(x) will be deemed satisfied if Market Value increases to 101%), or (y) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more positive than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, plus 3.00%, over the same period; or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Improved Obligation if:

- (i) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Improved Obligation; or
- (ii) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Improved Obligation.

**"Credit Rating Event"** means an event that is in effect if the rating by Moody's:

- (i) of the Class A-1a Notes or the Class A-1b Notes has been withdrawn or is one or more rating sub-categories below its Initial Rating; or
- (ii) of the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes has been withdrawn or is two or more rating sub-categories below its respective Initial Rating.

For the purposes of this definition, any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not be effective if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody's has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Class A-1a Notes or the Class A-1b Notes, or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**"Credit Risk Obligation"** means any Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has significantly declined in credit quality and has a significant risk, with a lapse of time, of becoming a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; *provided* that in forming such judgment an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment.

So long as a Credit Rating Event is in effect, no Collateral Obligation shall be eligible to be a Credit Risk Obligation unless in addition to the above, as of the date of determination:

- (i) the Collateral Obligation has been downgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing negative credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under the Indenture;

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced an increase in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Servicer (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's);

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has decreased by at least 2.50% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Servicer, and (y) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more negative, or less positive, as the case may be, than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, less 3.00%, over the same period; or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation set forth in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) above, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Risk Obligation if:

- (a) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Risk Obligation; or
- (b) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Risk Obligation.

**"Current-Pay Obligation"** means a Collateral Obligation as to which:

(i) an insolvency event has occurred with respect to its obligor or as to which its obligor is rated "D" or "SD" by S&P or its obligor has previously been rated "CCC-" by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;

(ii) no default as to the payment of principal or interest with respect to the Collateral Obligation is then continuing and the Servicer has delivered to the Trustee an officer's certificate to the effect that the Servicer expects that the obligor will make payments on the Collateral Obligation as they become due;

(iii) (A) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is at least "Caa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 80% of its Principal Balance or (B) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is less than "Caa1" or is "Caa1" and on credit watch with negative implications, the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 85% of its Principal Balance;

(iv) if an insolvency event has occurred with respect to the obligor of the Collateral Obligation, a bankruptcy court has authorized the payment of interest payable on the Collateral Obligation; and

(v) the Servicer has designated in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligation as a Current-Pay Obligation.

If the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations exceeds 5% of the Maximum Amount, all or a portion of one or more Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance equal to the amount of the excess shall not be Current-Pay Obligations (and will therefore be Defaulted Collateral Obligations). The Servicer shall designate in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligations that shall not be Current-Pay Obligations pursuant to the preceding sentence as the Collateral Obligations (or portions thereof) that have the lowest Market Value on any applicable date of determination.

The Servicer may, with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, by notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator, change the definition of "Current-Pay Obligation" or how Current-Pay Obligations are treated in the Indenture, subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency.

**"Current Portfolio"** means, at any time, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations, Principal Proceeds held as cash on deposit in the Collection Account, and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account that exists before the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or before the acquisition of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**"Deep Discount Obligation"** means, until the average Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation, as determined daily for any period of 30 consecutive days, equals or exceeds 90%, any Collateral Obligation acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 85% of its Principal Balance. For such purpose, the Market Value Percentage of a Collateral Obligation on a day that is not a Business Day shall be deemed to be the Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation on the immediately preceding Business Day.

**"Defaulted Collateral Obligation"** means any Collateral Obligation or other obligation included in the Collateral:

(i) as to which a default in the payment of principal or interest is continuing beyond the lesser of three Business Days and any applicable grace or notice period, unless in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;

(ii) the maturity of all or a portion of the principal amount of such Collateral Obligation has been accelerated as a consequence of a default (other than any payment default) under the instruments evidencing or relating to such Collateral Obligation; unless such default or event of default has been fully cured or waived and is no longer continuing and such acceleration has been rescinded;

(iii) with respect to which there has been effected any distressed exchange or other debt restructuring where the obligor has offered the holders thereof a new security or instrument or package of securities or instruments that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, either (x) amounts to a diminished financial obligation or (y) has the sole purpose of enabling the obligor to avoid a default;

(iv) (1) that is *pari passu* with or subordinated to other indebtedness for borrowed money owing by its obligor (**"Other Indebtedness"**), (2) the obligor has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (without regard to any applicable grace or notice period and without regard to any waiver of the default) on the Other Indebtedness, unless, in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid on the Other Indebtedness and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation and (3) the Servicer, *provided* that the

related Collateral Obligation has not been downgraded after the default on such Other Indebtedness has occurred, determines (in its commercially reasonable judgment) that such Other Indebtedness is material;

(v) (other than a Current-Pay Obligation or a DIP Loan) as to which:

(A) an insolvency event has occurred with respect to its obligor; or

(B) the obligation is rated “D”, “SD”, “C” or “CC” by S&P or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn, or has previously been rated “CCC-” or lower by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;

(vi) if the Collateral Obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation, it is rated “CC” or below by S&P, or it was rated “CC” or below by S&P but the rating has since been withdrawn, or it is rated “Ca” or below by Moody’s, or it was rated “C” or below by Moody’s but the rating has since been withdrawn;

(vii) that is a Participation that would, if the underlying Loan were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (v) above or with respect to which the Participating Institution has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Participation;

(viii) that is a Synthetic Security referencing a Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above or with respect to which the Synthetic Security Counterparty has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Synthetic Security; *provided, however*, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time: (x) a determination whether the Reference Obligations upon which such Synthetic Security is based would, if such Reference Obligations were Collateral Obligations, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each of the Reference Obligations on which such Synthetic Security is based in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation and (y) the “Defaulted Collateral Obligation” for purposes of this clause (viii) shall be limited to the Allocable Principal Balance of each Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above;

(ix) that is a Written-Down Obligation;

(x) that is a DIP Loan as to which an order has been entered converting the debtor’s chapter 11 case to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code; or

(xi) that is declared to be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation by the Servicer.

Any Collateral Obligation that is classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall cease to be so classified if the Collateral Obligation, at any date thereafter,

(1) would not otherwise be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this definition; and

(2) otherwise meets the Eligibility Criteria as of that date.

If any portion of a Collateral Obligation has a maturity later than one year after the Stated Maturity of the Notes due to a change in the payment schedule of the Collateral Obligation occurring after its acquisition by the Issuer, that portion of the Collateral Obligation shall be considered a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**“Defaulted Hedge Termination Payment”** means any termination payment required to be made by the Issuer to a Hedge Counterparty pursuant to a Hedge Agreement upon a termination of the Hedge Agreement in respect of which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**“Defaulted Interest”** means any interest payable in respect of any Class of Notes that is not punctually paid or duly provided for on the applicable Payment Date or at Stated Maturity.

**“Defaulted Interest Charge”** means to the extent lawful, interest on any Defaulted Interest at the Default Interest Rate.

**“Default Interest Rate”** means, with respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate equal to the Note Interest Rate payable on the Notes of the Class.

**“Deferred Interest Notes”** means the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**“Definitive Security”** means any Note or Certificated Preference Share that is registered in the name of the beneficial owner.

**“Delayed Drawdown Loan”** means a Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that:

- (i) requires the Issuer to make one or more future advances to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments;
- (ii) specifies a maximum amount that can be borrowed on one or more fixed borrowing dates; and
- (iii) does not permit the re-borrowing of any amount previously repaid.

A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Delayed Drawdown Loan for so long as its unused commitment amount is greater than zero and for purposes of the Concentration Limits only unfunded portions will count as Delayed Drawdown Loans.

**“Depository” or “DTC”** means The Depository Trust Company and its nominees.

**“DIP Loan”** means any Loan:

- (i) that has a rating assigned by Moody’s (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by Moody’s, the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by Moody’s within five Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer) and a rating assigned by S&P (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by S&P, the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P within two Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer);
- (ii) that is an obligation of a debtor in possession as described in Section 1107 of the Bankruptcy Code or a trustee (if appointment of a trustee has been ordered pursuant to Section 1104 of the Bankruptcy Code) (a **“Debtor”**) organized under the laws of the United States or any state of the United States; and

(iii) the terms of which have been approved by a final order of the United States Bankruptcy Court, United States District Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, the enforceability of which order is not subject to any pending contested matter or proceeding (as those terms are defined in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure) and which order provides that:

(A) the Loan is secured by liens on the Debtor's otherwise unencumbered assets pursuant to Section 364(c)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code;

(B) the Loan is secured by liens of equal or senior priority on property of the Debtor's estate that is otherwise subject to a lien pursuant to Section 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code;

(C) the Loan is fully secured (based on a current valuation or appraisal report) by junior liens on the Debtor's encumbered assets; or

(D) if any portion of the Loan is unsecured, the repayment of the Loan retains priority over all other administrative expenses pursuant to Section 364(c)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code (and in the case of this clause (D), before the acquisition of the Loan, the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency).

**"Diversity Score"** is a single number that indicates collateral concentration in terms of both issuer and industry concentration, calculated as set forth in Schedule 4 to the Indenture.

**"Domicile"** or **"Domiciled"** means, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, (i) the jurisdiction of incorporation, organization or creation of the related obligor or (ii) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that would otherwise be considered to be domiciled pursuant to clause (i) in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction, the jurisdiction in which, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the related obligor conducts substantially all of its business operations and in which the assets primarily responsible for generating its revenues are located.

**"Due Period"** means, with respect to any Payment Date, for all purposes other than payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements, the period from the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date, from the Closing Date) up to but excluding the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the Payment Date (or in the case of the final Payment Date or any Payment Date that is a Redemption Date, through the Business Day before the Payment Date and for payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements the period from the day after the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date from the Closing Date) through the Payment Date).

**"Eligible Country"** means the United States, Canada and any country classified by Moody's as a Moody's Group I Country, Moody's Group II Country or Moody's Group III Country and, in each case, has an S&P foreign currency rating of at least "AA" by S&P; *provided* that such country has not imposed currency exchange controls.

**"Eligible Equity Security"** mean an equity security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation by, or on behalf of, the Issuer that (i) is publicly traded on an Established Securities Market or (ii) the Market Value of which is higher than the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation with respect to which such equity security has been acquired by the Issuer.

**"Eligible Investments"** means any Dollar-denominated obligation or asset that, when it is pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee under the Indenture, is one or more of the following:

(i) Cash;



(ii) direct Registered obligations of, and Registered obligations the timely payment of principal and interest on which is fully and expressly guaranteed by, the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States the obligations of which are expressly backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, which in each case are not zero coupon securities;

(iii) demand and time deposits in, trust accounts, certificates of deposit payable within 91 days of issuance of, bankers' acceptances payable within 91 days of issuance issued by, or Federal funds sold by any depository institution or trust company incorporated under the laws of the United States or any state thereof and subject to supervision and examination by Federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or the debt obligations of such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company), at the time of such acquisition or contractual commitment providing for such acquisition and throughout the term thereof, have a credit rating of not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade, or "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P in the case of commercial paper and short-term debt obligations; *provided* that in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than "AA-" by S&P and "Aa3" by Moody's and a short-term rating of "A-1+" by S&P and "P-1" by Moody's, and if so rated, is not on watch for downgrade;

(iv) commercial paper or other short-term obligations with a maturity of not more than 183 days from the date of issuance and having at the time of such acquisition a credit rating of at least "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P; *provided* that, in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's and "AA-" by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(v) unleveraged repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clause (b) above entered into with a U.S. federal or state depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (iii) above or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose long-term credit rating is not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade or whose short-term credit rating is "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof; *provided* that, if such repurchase obligation has a maturity of longer than 91 days, the counterparty thereto must also have at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(vi) any money market fund or similar vehicle having at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof a credit rating of "MR1+" by Moody's and "AAAm" by S&P; including any fund for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee serves as an investment adviser, administrator, shareholder servicing agent, custodian or subcustodian, notwithstanding that (A) the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses from such funds for services rendered (*provided* that such charges, fees and expenses are on terms consistent with terms negotiated at arm's length) and (B) the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses for services rendered, pursuant to the Indenture;

(vii) a guaranteed reinvestment agreement from a bank (if treated as a deposit by such bank), insurance company or other corporation or entity organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (if treated as debt by such insurance company or other corporation or entity), providing for periodic payments thereunder during each Due Period; *provided* that each such agreement provides that it is terminable by the purchaser, without premium or penalty, in the event that the rating assigned to such agreement by either Moody's or S&P is at any time lower than the then current ratings assigned to the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes; *provided, further*, that, at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof, the issuer of such agreement has a senior unsecured long-term debt rating, issuer rating or counterparty rating of at least "Aaa" by

Moody's, a short-term debt rating of "P-1" by Moody's (and not on watch for downgrade), a short-term debt rating of at least "A-1+" by S&P and a long-term debt rating of at least "AAA" by S&P (and not on watch for downgrade); and

(viii) such other obligations or assets for which Rating Confirmation has been received;

and, in each case, with a stated maturity (giving effect to any applicable grace period) no later than the Business Day before the Payment Date next succeeding the date of acquisition.

Eligible Investments on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account must have a stated maturity no later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase.

Eligible Investments may not include:

- (1) any interest-only security, any security purchased at a price in excess of 100% of its par value, any mortgage-backed security or any security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer;
- (2) any security whose rating assigned by S&P includes the subscript "r," "t," "p," "pi," or "q";
- (3) any floating rate security whose interest rate is inversely or otherwise not proportionately related to an interest rate index or is calculated as other than the sum of an interest rate index plus a spread (which spread may be zero);
- (4) any security that is subject to an exchange or tender offer; or
- (5) any security that has payments subject to foreign or United States withholding tax.

Eligible Investments may include Eligible Investments for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee is the issuer or depository institution or provides services. Eligible Investments may not include obligations principally secured by real property.

**"Emerging Market Security"** means a security or obligation issued by a sovereign or non-sovereign issuer located in a country (excluding the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Netherlands Antilles, and the Channel Islands):

- (i) that is in Latin America, Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, or the Caribbean; or
- (ii) the long-term foreign currency debt obligations of which are rated below "Aa2" or "Aa2" and on credit watch with negative implications by Moody's or the foreign currency issuer credit rating of which is below "AA" by S&P.

**"Euroclear"** means Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear system.

**"Excel Default Model Input File"** means an electronic spreadsheet file in Microsoft excel format to be provided to S&P, which file shall include the balance of Cash and Eligible Investments in each account and the following information (to the extent such information is not confidential) with respect to each Collateral Obligation:

- (a) the name and country of domicile of the issuer thereof and the particular obligation or security held by the Issuer,

(b) the CUSIP or other applicable identification number associated with such Collateral Obligation,

(c) the par value of such Collateral Obligation,

(d) the type of obligation or security (including, by way of example, whether such Collateral Obligation is a bond, loan or asset-backed security), using such abbreviations as may be selected by the Trustee,

(e) a description of the index or other applicable benchmark upon which the interest payable on such Collateral Obligation is based (including, by way of example, fixed rate, step-up rate, zero coupon and LIBOR),

(f) the coupon (in the case of a Collateral Obligation which bears interest at a fixed rate) or the spread over the applicable index (in the case of a Collateral Obligation which bears interest at a floating rate),

(g) the S&P Industry Classification for such Collateral Obligation,

(h) the stated maturity date of such Collateral Obligation,

(i) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation or the issuer thereof, as applicable,

(j) the applicable S&P Priority Category, and

(k) such other information as the Trustee may determine to include in such file.

**“Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations”** means the Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations in excess of 7.5% of the Maximum Amount on the relevant Determination Date.

**“Excluded Property”** means (i) U.S.\$250 (attributable to the issue and allotment of the Issuer Ordinary Shares) and a U.S.\$250 transaction fee paid to the Issuer, the bank account in which those amounts are credited in the Cayman Islands and any interest earned on those amounts; (ii) any amounts credited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account from time to time and (iii) any Margin Stock.

**“Extension”** means an extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test in accordance with the Indenture.

**“Extension Bonus Payment”** means, with respect to each Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable beneficial owner set forth in “Description of the Securities— Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date” in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Class A-1a Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class A-1b Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (3) in the case of the Class A-2 Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (4) in the case of the Class B Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (5) in the case of the Class C Notes, 0.50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date and (6) in the case of the Class D Notes, 0.50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

**“Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification”** means, with respect to each Maturity Extension and each beneficial owner of Notes other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such beneficial owner acceptable to the Issuer to the effect that it held Notes other than Extension Sale

Securities on the applicable Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof in the case of the Notes and wire transfer instructions for the Extension Bonus Payment and any required documentation thereunder.

**“Extension Determination Date”** means the 8<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to each Extension Effective Date.

**“Extension Purchase Price”** means the purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with each Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the applicable Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares and the Holding Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be, since the Closing Date would cause such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a “Payment Date” under the Indenture); *provided, however*, that if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, shall be zero.

**“Extension Qualifying Purchasers”** means the Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Extension Sale Securities from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date”; “Extension Qualifying Purchasers” shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser, Investors Corp. or any of their respective Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; *provided however*, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, Investors Corp. or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

**“Face Amount”** means, with respect to any Preference Share or Holding Preference Share, the amount set forth therein as the “face amount” thereof, which “face amount” shall be \$1,000 per Preference Share or Holding Preference Share.

**“Finance Lease”** means a lease agreement or other agreement entered into in connection with and evidencing a Leasing Finance Transaction.

**“Fixed Amount”**: means, with respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser and each applicable Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period, the product of (i) the applicable Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Amount with respect to such CDS/TRS Purchaser, (ii) the applicable Fixed Rate with respect to such CDS/TRS Purchaser and (iii) a fraction the numerator of which is the actual number of days in such Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period and the denominator of which is 360.

**“Fixed Rate”**: means, with respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser, the spread over LIBOR of the Class of Notes held by such CDS/TRS Purchaser with respect to which such CDS/TRS Purchaser has entered into a credit default swap or a total return swap, as the case may be.

**“Fixed Rate Excess”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose numerator is the product of:

- (i) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date over the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test; and

(ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date;

and whose denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Fixed Rate Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Spread Excess were equal to zero.

**“Fixed Rate Obligations”** means any Collateral Obligation that bears interest at a fixed rate.

**“Fixed Rate Payer Calculation Amount”**: means, with respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser for purposes of calculating the applicable CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes held by such CDS/TRS Purchaser as of the date of purchase of such Notes in an Amendment Buy-Out (in each case, after giving effect to any principal amounts paid to such CDS/TRS Purchaser on such date).

**“Fixed Rate Payer Calculation Period”**: With respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser for purposes of calculating the applicable CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount, initially, the period from and including the date of purchase of such Notes in an Amendment Buy-Out to but excluding the immediately succeeding Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date; *provided* that the last Fixed Rate Payer Calculation Period shall end on the November 2010 Payment Date.

**“Floating Rate Notes”** means the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**“Floating Rate Obligation”** means any Collateral Obligation that bears interest based on a floating rate index.

**“Form-Approved Synthetic Security”** means a Synthetic Security:

(i) (A) each of the Reference Obligations of which satisfy the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and could be purchased by the Issuer without any required action by the Rating Agencies, without satisfaction of the Rating Condition or which the Rating Agencies have otherwise approved; or

(B) each of the Reference Obligations of which would satisfy clause (A) above but for the currency in which the Reference Obligation is payable and the Synthetic Security is payable in Dollars, does not provide for physical settlement, and does not expose the Issuer to Dollar currency risk;

(ii) the Synthetic Security Agreement of which conforms (but for the amount and timing of periodic payments, the name of the Reference Obligation, the notional amount, the effective date, the termination date, and other similar necessary changes) to a form that has been expressly identified and approved in writing in connection with a request under the Indenture by Moody’s and S&P;

(iii) a copy of the Synthetic Security Agreement of which has been delivered to the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes by the Trustee at the expense of the Co-Issuers and upon being furnished with a copy of the same by the Servicer; and

(iv) that is with a counterparty with respect to which the Rating Condition has been satisfied by each of Moody’s and S&P prior to the acquisition of any such Form-Approved Synthetic Security, and such approval has not been withdrawn.

Moody's or S&P may at any time, by notice to the Servicer, withdraw its approval of any such form. A withdrawal of approval shall have no effect on any Synthetic Security acquired, entered into, or committed to before the date on which the Servicer receives the notice of withdrawal.

**"Funded Amount"** means, with respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan at any time, the aggregate principal amount of advances or other extensions of credit made thereunder by the Issuer that are outstanding and have not been repaid at such time.

**"Hedge Agreements"** means, collectively, all interest rate cap or interest rate swap agreements between the Issuer and any Hedge Counterparty, and any replacement agreement entered into pursuant to the Indenture.

**"Hedge Counterparty"** means Rabobank International, Utrecht ("Rabobank"), currently having an address of Croeselaan 18, P.O. 17100, 3500 HG, Utrecht, The Netherlands, or any other counterparty, to the extent that when the Issuer enters into any Hedge Agreement with Rabobank or the other counterparty, Rabobank or the other counterparty satisfies the requirements of the Indenture, including, in the case of any other counterparty, to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency.

**"Hedge Termination Receipt"** means any termination payment paid by the Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer upon any early termination of a Hedge Agreement with respect to which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**"High-Yield Bond"** means any debt security, other than a Loan or a Structured Finance Obligation, that is either Registered or, if not Registered, (i) it is issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States, (ii) the payments on it are not subject to United States withholding tax and (iii) it is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**"Holder"** means, of any Note, the person whose name appears on the Indenture Register as the registered holder of the Note; of any Preference Share, the person whose name appears in the Preference Share register related thereto as the registered holder of such Preference Share and of any Holding Preference Share, the person whose name appears in the Holding Preference Share register related thereto as the registered holder of such Holding Preference Share.

**"Holding Preference Share Documents"** means Investors Corp.'s memorandum and articles of association, the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the resolutions of Investors Corp.'s board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Holding Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

**"Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return"** means, with respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the "XIRR" function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for each distribution made to the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date, assuming all Holding Preference Shares are purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount.

**"Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement"** means The Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, by and between Investors Corp. and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

**"Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent"** means Investors Bank & Trust Company, in its capacity as holding preference shares paying agent under the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the holding preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter "Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent" shall mean such successor Person.

**“Indenture Registrar”** means the Bank in its capacity as Indenture registrar as provided in the Indenture.

**“Indenture Register”** means the register caused to be kept by the Issuer for the purpose of registering Notes and transfers of the Notes as provided in the Indenture.

**“Initial Consent Period”** means the period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee mailed notice of a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of Securities.

**“Initial Rating”** means, the ratings by Moody’s and S&P with respect to each Class of Notes provided in the table in “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.”

**“Interest Period”** means, initially, the period from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the first Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date.

**“Interest Proceeds”** means, with respect to any Due Period, the sum (without duplication) of all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period (or as otherwise specified below) by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are:

- (i) payments of interest, fees, and commissions (excluding (A) Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal, (B) interest and dividends on Workout Assets, (C) fees and commissions from Defaulted Collateral Obligations, and (D) syndication and other up-front fees and any up-front fixed payments received in connection with entering into a Synthetic Security);
- (ii) any portion of the Sale Proceeds of a Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) representing Accrued Interest On Sale;
- (iii) all payments of principal on, or disposition proceeds from the sale of, Eligible Investments to the extent purchased with Interest Proceeds;
- (iv) payments with respect to the Hedge Agreements received on or before the related Payment Date (other than any amount payable thereunder because of any early termination or notional amount reduction), but not any Sale Proceeds from any of these instruments (except to the extent that they were purchased with Interest Proceeds);
- (v) all fees received pursuant to any Securities Lending Agreements;
- (vi) amounts in the Collection Account designated for distribution as Interest Proceeds pursuant to the Priority of Payments (including any amount transferred from the Interest Reserve Account);
- (vii) all earnings on amounts in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account and the Revolving Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.3(b) of the Indenture;
- (viii) amounts in the Expense Reimbursement Account on the Payment Date for the relevant Due Period;
- (ix) any recoveries (including interest) received on a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in excess of the principal balance of such Defaulted Collateral Obligation (as of the date the related Collateral Obligation became a Defaulted Collateral Obligation).

Interest Proceeds shall not include the Excluded Property and Interest Proceeds shall not include earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

Each reference in the definition of “Interest Proceeds” to a Collateral Obligation shall include a Collateral Obligation that has been loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and Interest Proceeds shall include any amounts referred to in clauses (i) through (iii) above received by the Issuer in respect of the Collateral Obligation indirectly from the related Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement.

With respect to any Payment Date, Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Interest Proceeds due and payable on such Payment Date to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date that are distributed to such Holders by way of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of Cash pursuant to “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds.

“**Investors Corp. Initial Purchaser**” means Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC.

“**Issuer Charter**” means the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Issuer, as amended and restated before the Closing Date or in accordance with the Indenture.

“**Issuer Order**” and “**Issuer Request**” means a written order or request dated and signed in the name of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp. by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp., as applicable, or by the Servicer by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

“**Junior Class**” means, with respect to a particular Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that is subordinated to that Class.

“**Leasing Finance Transaction**” means any transaction pursuant to which the obligations of the lessee to pay rent or other amounts on a triple net basis under any lease of (or other arrangement conveying the right to use) real or personal property, or a combination thereof, are required to be classified and accounted for as a capital lease on a balance sheet of such lessee under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America; but only if (a) such lease or other transaction provides for the unconditional obligation of the lessee to pay a stated amount of principal no later than a stated maturity date, together with interest thereon, and the payment of such obligation is not subject to any material non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer, (b) the obligations of the lessee in respect of such lease or other transaction are fully secured, directly or indirectly, by the property that is the subject of such lease and (c) the interest held by the Issuer in respect of such lease or other transaction is treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

“**Loan**” means any interest in a fully committed, senior secured, unsecured, or revolving loan (including loans involving credit linked deposits) that is acquired by assignment or by Participation (including any DIP Loan) that is either:

- (i) Registered; or
- (ii) issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States;
  - (A) whose payments are not subject to United States withholding tax; and
  - (B) that is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

“**Long-Dated Collateral Obligation**” means any Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturity of the Notes other than a Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later



than the Stated Maturities of the Notes that includes a “put” option to its obligor at a price of at least par payable on or before the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

“**Majority**” means, with respect to any Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

“**Margin Stock**” means “Margin Stock” as defined under Regulation U issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, including any debt security that is by its terms convertible into Margin Stock, but does not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation received pursuant to an offer by an issuer of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

“**Market Value**” means, as of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) based upon the Servicer’s commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the lower of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the bid-side prices for the purchase of the Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer).

If a Market Value of any Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined in accordance with the procedures set out in the previous paragraph for a period of 30 consecutive days then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero; *provided*, that during such 30 day period, such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the lower of (i) the product of (x) the Principal Balance of such Collateral Obligation multiplied by (y) 1.25 multiplied by (z) the applicable S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate and (ii) the current market value of such Collateral Obligation as determined by the Servicer in its commercially reasonable judgment; *provided, further*, that the maximum amount of Collateral Obligations having a Market Value assigned pursuant to the immediately preceding proviso shall be limited to 5.0% of the Maximum Amount (and any amount in excess of 5.0% of the Maximum Amount shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero). For the avoidance of doubt, the procedures set out in this paragraph should not apply to determinations of Market Value of any Eligible Equity Securities.

The Servicer is under no obligation to determine the Market Value of the Collateral Obligations other than as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or the Indenture or to comply with any of its duties as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or in the Indenture.

“**Market Value Determination Date**” means, with respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities, one Business Day prior to the date of the notice distributed by the Issuer to the Holders of the Preference Shares in connection with such distribution.

“**Market Value Percentage**” means, for any Collateral Obligation, the ratio obtained by dividing:

- (i) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation; by
- (ii) the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation.

“**Maximum Amount**” means an amount equal to:

- (i) on any Measurement Date during the Ramp-Up Period, U.S.\$1,471,900,000; and

(ii) on any Measurement Date after the Ramp-Up Completion Date:

(A) the aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations plus the aggregate outstanding principal amount of any Defaulted Collateral Obligations; *plus*

(B) cash representing Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*

(C) Eligible Investments (other than cash) purchased by the Issuer with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account.

**“Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the sum of (i) the number set forth in the column entitled “Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolation between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable) *plus* (ii) the Recovery Rate Modifier.

**“Measurement Date”** means any date:

(i) on which the Issuer commits to acquire or dispose of any Collateral Obligation;

(ii) on which a Collateral Obligation becomes a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;

(iii) that is a Determination Date;

(iv) that is the Ramp-Up Completion Date;

(v) that is the date as of which the information in a Monthly Report is calculated pursuant to the Indenture; and,

with respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities only,

(vi) that is the Market Value Determination Date.

**“Minimum Diversity Score”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a score equal to the number set forth in the column entitled “Minimum Diversity Score” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**“Minimum Weighted Average Spread”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the spread equal to the percentage set forth in the row entitled “Minimum Weighted Average Spread” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**“Monthly Report”** means a monthly report compiled and provided by the Issuer.

**“Moody’s Default Probability Rating”** means with respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

(i) with respect to a Moody’s Senior Secured Loan:

(A) if the Loan’s obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody’s, such corporate family rating; and

(B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody’s Obligation Rating of such Loan;

- (C) if the preceding clauses do not apply, the rating that is one subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating;
- (ii) with respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating of such Collateral Obligation;
- (iii) with respect to a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the rating that is one rating subcategory below the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof;
- (iv) with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof (or, if the obligation does not have an Assigned Moody's Rating but has a rating by S&P, then the Moody's Default Probability Rating shall be:
  - (x) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher, or
  - (y) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; and
- (v) with respect to a Synthetic Security, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down (if on watch for downgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories or adjusted up (if on watch for upgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture, if a Moody's Default Probability Rating is withdrawn by Moody's with respect to a Collateral Obligation, the Issuer will continue using the latest Moody's Default Probability Rating available immediately prior to such withdrawal until a bankruptcy event occurs with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating"** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation that is a Loan or bond and the obligor thereof, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (i) if the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating;
- (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's "Issuer Rating" for the obligor;
- (iii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating; then
  - (A) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "B3" (and, if rated "B3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one rating subcategory higher than such Assigned Moody's Rating; or
  - (B) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "B3" (or rated "B3" and on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be such Assigned Moody's Rating;
- (iv) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating; then:

(A) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "Caa3" (and, if rated "Caa3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one subcategory below such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(B) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "Caa3" (or rated "Caa3" and on watch for downgrade), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be "C";

(v) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but such obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be one rating subcategory below such corporate family rating;

(vi) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(D) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; or

(E) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's of (a) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating no lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (vi)(C), or clauses (vii)(C) or (viii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(vii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(B) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (iii) above; or

(C) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (a) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (vii)(C), or clauses (vi)(C) or (viii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(viii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(B) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (iv) above; or

(C) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (a) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within two Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (viii)(C), or clause (vi)(C) or (vii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(ix) if the preceding clauses do not apply and each of the following clauses (A) through (H) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa1":

(A) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings;

(B) no debt securities or obligations of the obligor are in default;

(C) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates has defaulted on any debt during the preceding two years;

(D) the obligor has been in existence for the preceding five years;

(E) the obligor is current on any cumulative dividends;

(F) the fixed-charge ratio for the obligor exceeds 125% for each of the preceding two fiscal years and for the most recent quarter;

(G) the obligor had a net profit before tax in the past fiscal year and the most recent quarter; and

(H) the annual financial statements of such obligor are unqualified and certified by a firm of Independent accountants of international reputation, and quarterly statements are unaudited but signed by a corporate officer;

(x) if the preceding clauses do not apply but each of the following clauses (A) and (B) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa3":

(A) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings; and

(B) no debt security or obligation of such obligor has been in default during the past two years; and

(xi) if the preceding clauses do not apply and a debt security or obligation of the obligor has been in default during the past two years, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Ca."

Notwithstanding the foregoing, not more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may consist of Relevant Obligations given a Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating based on a rating given by S&P as provided in clauses (vi), (vii) and (viii) above.

**"Moody's Group I Country"** means any of the following countries: Australia, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group I Country.

**"Moody's Group II Country"** means any of the following countries: Germany, Ireland, Sweden, Switzerland and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group II Country.

**"Moody's Group III Country"** means any of the following countries: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, Spain and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group III Country.

**"Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the number obtained by (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate, (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations and (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

**"Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan"** means any Loan that is not a Moody's Senior Secured Loan.

**"Moody's Obligation Rating"** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (i) With respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:
  - (A) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or
  - (B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the rating that is one rating subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and
- (ii) With respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond:
  - (A) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or
  - (B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and
- (iii) With respect to a Synthetic Security or a DIP Loan, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

**"Moody's Priority Category"** means each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" as a "Moody's Priority Category."

**“Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate”** means for any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of “Applicable Percentage” opposite the Moody’s Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Moody’s Rating”** means the Moody’s Default Probability Rating; *provided that*, with respect to the Collateral Obligations generally, if at any time Moody’s or any successor to it ceases to provide rating services, references to rating categories of Moody’s in the Indenture shall be deemed instead to be references to the equivalent categories of any other nationally recognized investment rating agency selected by the Servicer, as of the most recent date on which such other rating agency and Moody’s published ratings for the type of security in respect of which such alternative rating agency is used.

**“Moody’s Rating Factor”** means the number in the table below opposite the rating of the Collateral Obligation (excluding Synthetic Securities where an Assigned Moody’s Rating is not available).

<b>Moody’s Rating</b>	<b>Moody’s Rating Factor</b>	<b>Moody’s Rating</b>	<b>Moody’s Rating Factor</b>
Aaa	1	Ba1	940
Aa1	10	Ba2	1350
Aa2	20	Ba3	1766
Aa3	40	B1	2220
A1	70	B2	2720
A2	120	B3	3490
A3	180	Caa1	4770
Baa1	260	Caa2	6500
Baa2	360	Caa3	8070
Baa3	610	Ca or lower	10000

The Moody’s Rating Factor for Collateral Obligations that are Synthetic Securities shall be determined by Moody’s and obtained by the Issuer or the Servicer on a case-by-case basis, unless there is an Assigned Moody’s Rating available for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, in which case such Assigned Moody’s Rating shall be used to compute the Moody’s Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security.

The Moody’s Rating Factor for any Collateral Obligation that is a Structured Finance Security shall be equal to:  $\frac{A \times 55\%}{1 - B}$ ,

where: “A” means the number determined with respect to such Collateral Obligation pursuant to the table above; and

“B” means the Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

**“Moody’s Senior Secured Loan”** means:

- (i) a Loan that:

(A) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan;

(B) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan; and

(C) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal seniority secured by a first lien or security interest in the same collateral; or

(ii) a Loan that:

(A) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan, other than, with respect to a Loan described in clause (i) above, with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such loan;

(B) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan;

(C) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by a first or second lien or security interest in the same collateral; and

(D) has been assigned a Moody's Obligation Rating equal to or higher than the applicable Moody's Default Probability Rating; and

(iii) the Loan is not: (A) a DIP Loan, (B) a Loan for which the security interest or lien (or the validity or effectiveness thereof) in substantially all of its collateral attaches, becomes effective, or otherwise "springs" into existence after the origination thereof, or (C) a type of loan that Moody's has identified as having unusual terms and with respect to which its Moody's Recovery Rate has been or is to be determined on a case-by-case basis.

**"Multiple Class Holder"** means any Holder of Securities or, in the case of Notes represented by Global Notes, beneficial owner thereof that holds or has a beneficial interest in more than one Class of Securities (including for this purpose any interest in Holding Preference Shares as an interest in Preference Shares).

**"Non-Consenting Holder"** means with respect to any supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, any Holder or, in the case of Securities represented by Global Notes, any beneficial owner, that either (i) has delivered to the Trustee a written notice that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) had not consented to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

**"Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder"** means with respect to any supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, any Holder of Holding Preference Shares that either (i) has directed Investors Corp. not to consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) has not provided Investors Corp. with any direction with respect to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.



**“Non-Performing Collateral Obligation”** means any Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any PIK Security as to which its issuer or obligor has previously deferred or capitalized any interest due on it and all the interest so deferred or capitalized has not subsequently been paid in full in cash by:

- (i) if the PIK Security has a Moody’s Rating of “Baa3” (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above or an S&P Rating of “BBB-” (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above, the earlier of its second payment date or one year following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it; or
- (ii) if the PIK Security has a Moody’s Rating of “Baa3” and on credit watch with negative implications or below “Baa3,” or an S&P Rating of “BBB-” and on credit watch with negative implications or below “BBB-,” the earlier of its first payment date or six months following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it.

**“Notes”** means the Class the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**“Noteholder”** means a Holder of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes.

**“Note Payment Sequence”** means the application of funds in the following order:

- (1) to the Class A-1a Notes until the Class A-1a Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (2) to the Class A-1b Notes until the Class A-1b Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (2) to the Class A-2 Notes until the Class A-2 Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (3) to the Class B Notes until the Class B Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (5) to the Class C Notes until the Class C Notes have been fully redeemed; and
- (6) to the Class D Notes until the Class D Notes have been fully redeemed.

**“Offer”** means any Collateral Obligation that is subject to a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion or other similar action.

**“Officer”** means, with respect to the Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to the Co-Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to any partnership, any of its general partners; and with respect to the Trustee, any Trust Officer.

**“Outstanding”** means, with respect to:

- (i) the Notes or any specified Class, as of any date of determination, all of the Notes or all of the Notes of the specified Class, as the case may be, theretofore authenticated and delivered under the Indenture, except with respect to Notes:

(A) Notes canceled by the Indenture Registrar or delivered to the Indenture Registrar for cancellation;

(B) Notes for whose payment or redemption funds in the necessary amount have been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust

for their Holders pursuant to Section 4.1(a)(ii) of the Indenture and if the Notes are to be redeemed, notice of redemption has been duly given pursuant to the Indenture;

(C) Notes in exchange for or in lieu of which other Notes have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to the Indenture; and

(D) Notes alleged to have been destroyed, lost, or stolen for which replacement Notes have been issued as provided in Section 2.7 of the Indenture, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Notes are held by a protected purchaser;

(ii) the Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Preference Share Documents and listed in the Preference Share register of the Issuer as outstanding;

(iii) the Holding Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Holding Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Holding Preference Share Documents and listed in the Holding Preference Share register of Investors Corp. as outstanding;

*provided that*, in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Transaction Securities have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver under the Transaction Documents, Transaction Securities owned or beneficially owned by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, any Affiliate of either of them and, with respect to any matter affecting its status as Servicer or appointment of a replacement Servicer or relating to an acceleration of any Class of Notes if the effect of the Servicer's action or inaction as a Holder of Transaction Securities would effectively prevent acceleration, the Servicer, its Affiliates and any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (other than, with respect to Notes or Class II Preference Shares, HFP or any of its subsidiaries; *provided that*, with respect to the voting authority of Notes or Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) shall be disregarded and not be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver, only Securities that a Trust Officer of the Trustee (or with respect to the Preference Shares and Holding Preference Shares, only Preference Shares and Holding Preference Shares that an authorized officer of the Preference Shares Paying Agent or Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable) has actual knowledge to be so owned or beneficially owned shall be so disregarded. Transaction Securities so owned or beneficially owned that have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, the pledgee's right so to act with respect to the Transaction Securities and that the pledgee is independent from the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent.

**"Participating Institution"** means an institution that creates a participation interest and that has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" (and if so rated by Moody's such rating is not on watch for possible downgrade) and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A".

**"Participation"** means a Loan acquired as a participation interest created by a Participating Institution.

**"Permitted Offer"** means a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion, or other similar action pursuant to which the offeror offers to acquire a debt obligation (including a Collateral Obligation) in exchange solely for cash in an amount equal to or greater than the full face amount of the debt obligation plus any accrued and unpaid interest and as to which the Servicer has

determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the offeror has sufficient access to financing to consummate the tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion, or other similar action.

**“PIK Cash-Pay Interest”** means, as to any PIK Security, the portion of interest required to be paid in cash (and not permitted to be added to the balance of such PIK Security or otherwise deferred and accrued) thereon pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments.

**“PIK Security”** means any loan or debt obligation on which any portion of the interest accrued for a specified period of time or until the maturity thereof is, or at the option of the obligor may be, added to the principal balance of such loan or debt obligation or otherwise deferred rather than being paid in cash; *provided* that such loan or debt obligation shall not be a PIK Security if the portion, if any, of such interest required pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments to be paid in Cash would result in the outstanding principal amount of such loan or debt obligation having an effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest at least equal to (i) if such loan or debt obligation is a fixed rate loan or debt obligation, 4% per annum, or (ii) if such loan or debt obligation is a floating rate loan or debt obligation, LIBOR.

**“Pledged Obligations”** means, as of any date of determination, the Collateral Obligations, the Workout Assets, the Eligible Investments, and any other securities or obligations that have been granted to the Trustee that form part of the Collateral.

**“Person”** is an individual, corporation (including a business trust), partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust (including any beneficiary thereof), unincorporated association or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

**“Portfolio Improvement Exchange”** means, the disposition, during the Replacement Period, of a Collateral Obligation and corresponding acquisition of one or more Collateral Obligations which in the aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Test, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied (or bring the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations closer to compliance with any such test or limitation) or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith would be improved and (ii) improving, on a net basis, the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test and Concentration Limitations and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased.

**“Preference Share Internal Rate of Return”** means, with respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the “XIRR” function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for the following cash flows, assuming all Preference Shares are purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount:

(i) each distribution of Interest Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date; and

(ii) each distribution of Principal Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date.

**“Preference Shares Paying Agent Agreement”** means a Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of November 30, 2006, between the Issuer and Investors Bank & Trust Company, as Preference Shares Paying Agent.

**“Preference Shares Distribution Account”** means a separate segregated non-interest bearing trust account established by the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deposit all amounts received from the Issuer and payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares under the Priority of Payments.

**“Preference Shares Notional Amount”** means, as of the Closing Date, \$127,500,000, and thereafter as increased each time additional Preference Shares are issued in accordance with the Preference Share Documents.

**“Preference Shares Paying Agent”** means Investors Bank & Trust Company in its capacity as Preference Shares Paying Agent under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter “Preference Shares Paying Agent” shall mean such successor person.

**“Principal Balance”** means, with respect to:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those specifically covered in this definition, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Pledged Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest, zero, except as otherwise expressly specified in the Indenture;
- (iv) any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, except as otherwise provided, zero;
- (v) any Collateral Obligation that has been loaned, its Principal Balance shall be reduced by the excess of the amount of collateral required over the actual Market Value of the collateral;
- (vi) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance shall include any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer’s obligation to fund the unfunded amount), except as otherwise expressly specified in the Indenture;
- (vii) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance shall not include any principal amount of the PIK Security representing previously deferred or capitalized interest; and
- (viii) any obligation or security that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, zero.

**“Principal Proceeds”** means with respect to any Due Period, all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are not Interest Proceeds.

Principal Proceeds shall include any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account into the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.2 of the Indenture.

Principal Proceeds do not include the Excluded Property or earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

At any time when an “event of default” under a Securities Lending Agreement has occurred and is continuing, any payments received by the Issuer from the related Securities Lending Collateral shall be Principal Proceeds.

**“Priority Class”** means, with respect to any specified Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that ranks senior to that Class.

**“Proceeding”** means any suit in equity, action at law, or other judicial or administrative proceeding.

**“Proposed Portfolio”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations and Principal Proceeds held as cash on deposit in the Collection Account and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account resulting from the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or a proposed purchase of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**“Purchase Agreement”** means a purchase agreement dated November 30, 2006 among the Issuer and the Initial Purchaser relating to the purchase of the Offered Notes, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**“Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance”** means, for any Collateral Obligation other than Deep Discount Obligations, its Principal Balance; and for any Deep Discount Obligation its Purchase Price; *provided, however*, that if any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations exist, the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance for the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations shall be the lower of (i) the weighted average Market Value of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances and (ii) the product of (a) 70% and (b) their respective Principal Balance.

**“Purchase Price”** means, with respect to the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (other than any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation), the net purchase price paid by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation. The net purchase price is determined by subtracting from the purchase price the amount of any Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal and any syndication and other upfront fees paid to the Issuer and by adding the amount of any related transaction costs (including assignment fees) paid by the Issuer to the seller of the Collateral Obligation or its agent.

**“Purchase Price Amount”** means, respect to any Collateral Obligation on any date of determination, the product of (i) the Purchase Price (stated as a percentage) thereof and (ii) the Principal Balance thereof on such date.

**“Qualified Equity Security”** means any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that is stock or evidence of an interest in or a right to buy stock, or any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation but whose acquisition otherwise is a transaction in stocks or securities within the meaning of Section 864(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Code and the regulations under the Code. Qualified Equity Securities do not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation and that will cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in or having income from a United States trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes by virtue of its ownership or disposition of the obligation (without regard to the Issuer’s other activities).

**“Ramp-Up Period”** means the period from and including the Closing Date to and including the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

**“Rating Agency”** means, each of Moody’s and S&P or, with respect to Pledged Obligations generally, if at any time Moody’s or S&P ceases to provide rating services with respect to high yield debt securities, any other nationally recognized statistical rating organization selected by the Issuer and reasonably satisfactory to a Majority of each Class of Notes. If at any time Moody’s ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of Moody’s in the Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and Moody’s published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the

replacement rating agency is used. If at any time S&P ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of S&P in the Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and S&P published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used.

**“Rating Condition”** means, with respect to any Rating Agency and any action taken or to be taken under the Indenture, a condition that is satisfied when the Rating Agency has confirmed to the Servicer (as agent for the Issuer) in writing that no withdrawal, reduction, suspension, or other adverse action with respect to any then current rating by it (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes will occur as a result of the action. The Rating Condition with respect to any Rating Agency shall be satisfied for all purposes of the Indenture at any time when no Outstanding Notes are rated by it.

**“Rating Confirmation”** means confirmation in writing from each Rating Agency that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes.

**“Ratings Matrix”** means the “row/column combination” of the table below selected by the Servicer on the Closing Date to apply initially for purposes of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test. Thereafter, on notice to the Trustee, the Servicer may select a different row of the Ratings Matrix to apply, or may interpolate between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable, on a straight-line basis and round the results to two decimal points.

Minimum Weighted Average Spread	Minimum Diversity Score							
	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90
2.25%	2150	2180	2210	2240	2270	2300	2330	2360
2.35%	2210	2240	2270	2300	2330	2360	2390	2420
2.45%	2270	2300	2330	2360	2390	2420	2450	2480
2.55%	2330	2360	2390	2420	2450	2480	2510	2540
2.65%	2390	2420	2450	2480	2510	2540	2570	2600
2.75%	2450	2480	2510	2540	2570	2600	2630	2660
2.85%	2510	2540	2570	2600	2630	2660	2690	2720
2.95%	2570	2600	2630	2660	2690	2720	2750	2780
3.05%	2620	2660	2690	2720	2750	2780	2810	2840
Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor								

**“Recovery Rate Modifier”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the lesser of 60 and the product of:

(i) (a) the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate *minus* the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test (but not less than zero) *multiplied* by (b) 100; and

(ii) 40.

**“Redemption Date”** means any Payment Date specified for an Optional Redemption or the redemption of a Class of Notes in connection with a Refinancing under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

**“Redemption Price”** means, with respect to any Note and any Optional Redemption or Refinancing, an amount equal to:

(i) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of the Note being redeemed; *plus*

(ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest); *plus*

(iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note; *plus*

(iv) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

With respect to any Preference Share and any Optional Redemption, “Redemption Price” means (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares of the remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications pursuant to the Priority of Payments or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case as specified in “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares.”

“**Reference Obligation**” means an obligation that would otherwise satisfy the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and on which a Synthetic Security is based; *provided* that no Reference Obligation shall be a Synthetic Security.

“**Refinancing Price**” means, with respect to any Class of Notes that is subject to a Refinancing, an amount equal to the Redemption Price therefor.

“**Refinancing Proceeds**” means, the proceeds from any refinancing permitted under the Indenture.

“**Registered**” means, with respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment, means that it is issued after July 18, 1984 and is in registered form within the meaning of Section 881(c)(2)(B)(i) of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.

“**Regulation D**” means Regulation D under the Securities Act.

“**Relevant Obligation**” means, for a Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security, and otherwise the Collateral Obligation.

“**Removal Buy-Out Purchaser**” means the Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent).

“**Repository**” means the internet-based password protected electronic repository of transaction documents relating to privately offered and sold collateralized debt obligation securities located at “www.cdolibrary.com” operated by The Bond Market Association. Information on this website is not considered part of this Offering Memorandum in any way.

“**Required Redemption Percentage**”: With respect to (a) any Optional Redemption resulting from a Tax Event, the Holders of at least 66 2/3% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of any Affected Class or at least 66 2/3% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares and (b) any other Optional Redemption, a Majority of the Preference Shares.

“**Retention Overcollateralization Ratio**” means, as of any Measurement Date, the ratio obtained by dividing: (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator by (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes, excluding any Deferred Interest on any Class of Notes.

“**Revolving Loan**” means a Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation (in each case excluding any Delayed Drawdown Loan) that requires the Issuer to make future advances to (or for the account of) the borrower under its underlying instruments (including any letter of credit for which the Issuer is required to reimburse the issuing bank for under it). A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Revolving Loan for so long as its commitment amount is greater than zero.

**“S&P CDO Monitor”** means a dynamic, analytical computer model developed by S&P (and as may be modified by S&P from time to time) and provided to the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator to be used to calculate the default frequency in terms of the amount of debt assumed to default as a percentage of the original principal amount of the Collateral Obligations consistent with a specified benchmark rating level based on certain assumptions and S&P’s proprietary corporate default studies. For the purpose (and only for the purpose) of applying the S&P CDO Monitor to a portfolio of obligations, for each obligation in the portfolio, the rating of the obligation shall be its S&P Rating.

**“S&P Industry Classification”** means the S&P Industry Classifications in Schedule 3 of the Indenture as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by S&P.

**“S&P Priority Category”** means each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of “Applicable Percentage” as an “S&P Priority Category.”

**“S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate”** means, for any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of “Applicable Percentage” opposite the S&P Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**“S&P Rating”** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following methodology:

(i) If there is an issuer credit rating of the borrower of the Collateral Obligation (the “Borrower”), or the guarantor who unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the Collateral Obligation (the “Guarantor”) by S&P, the most current issuer credit rating for such Borrower or Guarantor (*provided* that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating);

(ii) (a) if there is not an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation will be one subcategory below such rating; (b) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior unsecured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be such rating; and (c) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a subordinated obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be two subcategories above such rating if such rating is “BBB-” or higher and will be one subcategory above such rating if such rating is “BB+” or lower (*provided* that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating); or

(iii) if there is neither an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P nor a rating by S&P on an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating may be determined using any one of the methods below:

(A) if an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is publicly rated by Moody’s, then the S&P Rating will be determined in accordance with the methodologies for establishing the Moody’s Default Probability Rating, except that the S&P Rating of such obligation will be (1) one subcategory below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody’s if such security is rated “Baa3” or higher by Moody’s and (2) two subcategories below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody’s if such security is rated “Bal” or lower by Moody’s; *provided* that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may be given a S&P Rating based on a rating given by Moody’s as provided in this subclause (A) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);



(B) if no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's, then the Servicer may apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating estimate, which will be its S&P Rating; *provided* that, on or prior to each one-year anniversary of the acquisition of any such Collateral Obligation, the Issuer shall submit to S&P a request for a S&P credit rating estimate for such Collateral Obligation, which shall be its S&P Rating, together with all information reasonably required by S&P to perform such estimate; or

(C) if such Collateral Obligation is not rated by Moody's or S&P, no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's and if the Servicer determines in its sole discretion based on information available to it after reasonable inquiry that such Borrower (x) is not subject to any bankruptcy or reorganization proceedings nor in default on any of its obligations (unless the subject of a good faith business dispute), (y) is a legally constituted corporate entity having the minimum legal, financial and operational infrastructure to carry on a definable business, deliver and sell a product or service and report its results in generally accepted accounting terms as verified by a reputable audit firm and (z) is not so vulnerable to adverse business, financial and economic conditions that default in its financial or other obligations is foreseeable in the near term if current operating trends continue, then the S&P Rating will be "B-"; *provided* that the Servicer must apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating on such Borrower within 30 days after the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation; *provided, further*, that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 5% of the Maximum Amount may be given an S&P Rating based on this subclause (c) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

*provided* that, if (i) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any positive "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be increased by one rating subcategory or (ii) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any negative "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be decreased by one rating subcategory.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the S&P Rating shall be (A) the rating assigned thereto by S&P if the rating is public, (B) the rating assigned by S&P if the rating is confidential, but only if all appropriate parties have provided written consent to its disclosure and use, (C) the rating assigned by S&P thereto through an estimated rating or (D) the rating assigned thereto by S&P in connection with the acquisition thereof upon the request of the Servicer. In the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a PIK Security, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Securities, the S&P Rating may not be determined pursuant to clause (iii)(A) above.

S&P Ratings for entities or obligations relevant hereunder other than Borrowers and Collateral Obligations shall be determined in a corresponding manner.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if and for so long as the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations consisting in the aggregate of (x) Participations and (y) Synthetic Securities exceeds 20% of the Maximum Amount, then the S&P Rating for the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations representing that excess (determined assuming the excess is comprised of the Collateral Obligations having the lowest S&P Ratings that would otherwise be applicable as determined above) shall be the S&P Rating one sub-category below the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be applicable as determined above. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture, if a S&P Rating is withdrawn by S&P with respect to a Collateral Obligation, the Issuer will continue using the latest S&P Rating available immediately prior to such withdrawal until a bankruptcy event occurs with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

**"S&P Recovery Rate Matrix":** With respect to Structured Finance Obligations, the S&P Recovery Rate will be the percentage specified in the table below for the rating of the Structured Finance Obligation under the column with the caption that corresponds to the rating of the most senior Class of Outstanding Notes.

**Rating of most senior Class of rated Notes at the time of commitment to purchase****Structured Finance  
Obligation Rating\***

Senior Asset Class	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC
AAA	80.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
AA	70.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
A	60.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
BBB	50.0%	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%

**Junior Asset Class**

	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC
AAA	65.0%	70.0%	80.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%
AA	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
A	40.0%	45.0%	55.0%	65.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
BBB	30.0%	35.0%	40.0%	45.0%	50.0%	60.0%	70.0%
BB	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	25.0%	35.0%	40.0%	50.0%
B	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%	10.0%	10.0%	20.0%	25.0%
CCC	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%

\* If the Structured Finance Obligation is (x) a collateralized debt obligation backed by project finance securities, asset-backed securities, structured finance or real estate securities, distressed debt or other collateralized debt obligations; (y) a market value collateralized debt obligation; or (z) a synthetic collateralized debt obligation, the recovery rate will be assigned by S&P at the time of acquisition.

**“S&P Rating Confirmation”** means confirmation in writing from S&P that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes.

**“S&P Unrated DIP Loan”** means a DIP Loan acquired by the Issuer that does not have a rating assigned by S&P and for which the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P (as specified in the definition of “DIP Loan”).

**“Sale Proceeds”** means all proceeds received (including any proceeds received with respect to any associated interest rate swap or security providing fixed annuity payments ) with respect to Collateral Obligations or other Pledged Obligations as a result of their sales or other dispositions less any reasonable expenses expended by the Servicer or the Trustee in connection with the sales or other dispositions, which shall be paid from such proceeds notwithstanding their characterization otherwise as Administrative Expenses.

**“Second Lien Loan”** means a Loan that (i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinated in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan other than a Senior Secured Loan with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such Loan and (ii) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest in or lien on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan, which specified collateral does not consist solely of common stock or shares issued by the obligor or any of its Affiliates or intangible assets.

**“Secondary Risk Counterparty”** means any obligor Domiciled other than in the United States, any Participating Institution, any Synthetic Security Counterparty and any Securities Lending Counterparty.

**“Secondary Risk Table”** means the table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty		Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
Moody's	S&P		
Aaa	AAA	20.0%	20.0%
Aa1	AA+	10.0%	10.0%
Aa2	AA	10.0%	10.0%
Aa3	AA-	10.0%	10.0%
A1	A+	5.0%	10.0%
A2 or below	A or below	0.0%	0.0%

If any Secondary Risk Counterparty's long-term senior unsecured debt rating or short-term rating is on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P, then for the purposes of the table above, its rating by the Rating Agency putting its rating on credit watch shall be one rating notch lower for that Rating Agency.

**“Secured High-Yield Bond”** means a High-Yield Bond that is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**“Secured Loan”** means a Loan that is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**“Secured Parties”** means the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer and each Hedge Counterparty.

**“Securities Lending Collateral”** means Cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the relevant Securities Lending Agreement and that are pledged by a Securities Lending Counterparty as collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement.

**“Selected Collateral Quality Tests”** means Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Life Test (after taking into consideration any applicable Maturity Extension), the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the Diversity Test.

**“Senior Secured High-Yield Bond”** means a Secured High-Yield Bond that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a first priority security interest in collateral that in the opinion of the Servicer has value at least equal to the amount of the High-Yield Bond.

**“Senior Secured Loan”** means a Secured Loan that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a first priority security interest in collateral that in the opinion of the Servicer has value at least equal to the amount of the Loan.

**“Senior Unsecured High-Yield Bond”** means a High-Yield Bond that is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**“Senior Unsecured Loan”** means a Loan that is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**“Servicer Letter Disclosure”** means the description of the Servicer’s agreement with one or more Multiple Class Holders as set forth in the sections entitled “Risk Factors—An Amendment Buy-Out May Result in a Shorter Holding Period Than Expected” and “—The Notes Are Subject to Redemption By Refinancing”, “—The Notes Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer” and “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Redemption By Refinancing” and “—Amendment Buy-Out”.

**“Servicing Agreement”** means the Servicing Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Servicer, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**“Spread Excess”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose (i) numerator is the product of (A) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date over the Minimum Weighted Average Spread specified in the applicable row of the Ratings Matrix and (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date and (ii) denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date. In computing the Spread Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Fixed Rate Excess were equal to zero.

**“Structured Finance Obligation”** means any obligation (other than the Notes or any other security or obligation issued by the Issuer):

(i) secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool of receivables or other assets of U.S. obligors, or obligors organized or incorporated in Moody’s Group I Countries, Moody’s Group II Countries, Moody’s Group III Countries or Tax Advantaged Jurisdictions, including portfolio credit default swaps and collateralized debt obligations, but excludes:

- (A) residential mortgage-backed securities;
- (B) collateralized debt obligations backed by Emerging Market Securities;
- (C) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by asset-backed securities;
- (D) market value collateralized debt obligations;
- (E) securities backed by “future flow” receivables;
- (F) securities backed by “trust preferred securities”;
- (G) net interest margin securitizations;
- (H) collateralized debt obligations backed primarily by other collateralized debt obligations;
- (I) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by one or more credit default swaps (i.e. “synthetic CDOs”); and
- (J) collateralized debt obligations a significant portion of which are backed by bonds;

- (ii) that has an S&P Rating and an S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate;
- (iii) that has a rating and a Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate assigned by Moody's; and
- (iv) whose ownership or disposition (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) by the Issuer will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

In connection with the purchase of a Structured Finance Obligation, the Servicer shall obtain from Moody's the applicable Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate.

For purposes of the Diversity Test, multiple Structured Finance Obligations from CDOs serviced by the same Servicer or multiple Structured Finance Obligations issued by the same master trust will be considered to be obligations of one issuer.

**"Subordinated High-Yield Bond"** means a Secured High-Yield Bond secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**"Subordinated Lien Loan"** means a Secured Loan (other than a Second Lien Loan) secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**"Subscription Agreement"** means a subscription agreement dated between a purchaser and the Issuer entered into on or before the Closing Date for the subscription of a specified number of Class D Notes or Preference Shares, as applicable.

**"Super Majority"** means, with respect to any Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be; provided that with respect to the Class A-1a Notes, "Super Majority" shall mean at least 58% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1a Notes for so long as Financial Security Assurance Inc. is entitled to direct the vote of at least 58% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1a Notes.

**"Synthetic Security"** means any swap transaction, structured bond, credit linked note, or other derivative financial instrument providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a debt instrument (but excluding any such instrument relating directly to a basket or portfolio of debt instruments) or an index or indices (such as the "SAMI" index published by Credit Suisse) in connection with a basket or portfolio of debt instruments or other similar instruments entered into by the Issuer with a Synthetic Security Counterparty that has in the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment, equivalent expected loss characteristics (those characteristics, **"credit risk"**) to those of the related Reference Obligations (taking account of those considerations as they relate to the Synthetic Security Counterparty), if (i) it is either a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied, and (ii) the Reference Obligations thereof have a Market Value equal to at least 85% of the Principal Balance of the Reference Obligation at the time the Synthetic Security is entered into.

The maturity, interest rate, and other non-credit characteristics of a Synthetic Security may be different from the Reference Obligations to which the credit risk of the Synthetic Security relates.

No Synthetic Security shall require the Issuer to make any payment to the Synthetic Security Counterparty after its initial purchase other than any payments represented by the release of any cash collateral posted by the Issuer from the Collection Account to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of the posted cash collateral. Collateral may be posted only to a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account. No Synthetic Security shall result in the Issuer being a "buyer" of credit protection.

The term Synthetic Security shall not include any Structured Finance Obligation or any Participation, but the Reference Obligation of a Synthetic Security may be a Structured Finance Obligation.

Each Synthetic Security Agreement shall contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those contained in the Indenture.

The ownership or disposition of any Synthetic Security (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) must not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

Unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" under any proposed Synthetic Security must not provide that its transfer to the Issuer is subject to obtaining any consents and must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation and satisfy the Concentration Limitations under the Indenture, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event" and if the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security is a Senior Secured Loan then the "deliverable obligation" under the Synthetic Security must also be a Senior Secured Loan.

No Synthetic Security may provide for any event other than bankruptcy or a failure to pay as a "credit event".

For purposes of the Coverage Tests and the Retention Overcollateralization Test, unless the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied in respect of any proposed alternative treatment, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in the Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in the Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligation.

With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, for purposes of: (i) calculating compliance with the Diversity Test, the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test, and the Concentration Limitations (other than limits relating to payment characteristics and except for clauses 17 and 17(a) of the definition of "Concentration Limitations"), and all related definitions, and (ii) any other provision or definition of the Indenture involving a determination with respect to a Reference Obligation, the characteristics of such Reference Obligations shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each such Reference Obligation in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation. In addition, each Reference Obligation under such Synthetic Security shall be assigned a Moody's Rating Factor equal to the sum of the Moody's

Rating Factor of (i) the related Reference Obligor, (ii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty of such Synthetic Security and (iii) the Synthetic Security Collateral of such Synthetic Security. In addition, the Moody's Priority Category Rate in respect of a Synthetic Security referencing multiple Reference Obligations pursuant to this paragraph shall be the Moody's Priority Category Rate as assigned by Moody's to each Reference Obligation underlying such Synthetic Security. For the avoidance of doubt, Reference Obligations upon which a Synthetic Security is based as described in this paragraph must meet the definition of "Collateral Obligation" to the extent provided in this definition.

If the Rating Condition must be satisfied to execute the purchase of any Synthetic Security, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall give each applicable Rating Agency not less than 5 days' prior notice of the purchase of or entry into any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Agreement"** means the documentation governing any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Collateral"** means, respect to any Synthetic Security, amounts posted to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account by the Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its obligations under the Synthetic Security, including (i) all Eligible Investments or (ii) floating rate credit card securitizations that are rated "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, in each case that mature no later than the Stated Maturity, in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account that are purchased with Synthetic Security Collateral.

**"Synthetic Security Counterparty"** means any entity required to make payments on a Synthetic Security to the extent that a reference obligor makes payments on a related Reference Obligation.

**"Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction"** means one of the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the Netherlands Antilles or the tax advantaged jurisdiction of the Channel Islands, or such other jurisdiction that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto.

**"Tax Event"** means an event that occurs if either:

(i) (A) one or more Collateral Obligations that were not subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them have become subject to withholding tax or the rate of withholding has increased on one or more Collateral Obligations that were subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them and (B) in any Due Period, the aggregate of the payments subject to withholding tax on new withholding tax obligations and the increase in payments subject to withholding tax on increased rate withholding tax obligations, in each case to the extent not "grossed-up" (on an after-tax basis) by the related obligor, represent 5% or more of Interest Proceeds for the Due Period;

(ii) taxes, fees, assessments, or other similar charges are imposed on the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in an aggregate amount in any twelve-month period in excess of U.S.\$2,000,000, other than any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax with respect to any payment owing in respect of any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation or Collateral Obligation; or

(iii) if the Issuer is at the time treated as a pass-through entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes, that investors in the Preference Shares who are non-U.S. persons not otherwise subject to U.S. net income tax are or have become subject to U.S. net income taxation in respect of income of the Issuer in an amount in excess of 10% of the net income of the Issuer in any twelve-month period.

**"Transaction Documents"** means, collectively, this Indenture, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

**"Transaction Securities"** means, collectively, the Securities and the Holding Preference Shares.

**“Treasury Regulations”** means regulations, including proposed or temporary regulations, promulgated under the Code. References herein to specific provisions of proposed or temporary regulations shall include analogous provisions of final Treasury Regulations or other successor Treasury Regulations.

**“UCC”** means the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the State of New York, and as amended from time to time.

**“Underlying Instrument”** means the loan agreement, indenture, credit agreement, or other agreement pursuant to which a Pledged Obligation has been issued or created and each other agreement that governs the terms of or secures the obligations represented by the Pledged Obligation or of which the holders of the Pledged Obligation are the beneficiaries.

**“Unfunded Amount”** means, with respect to any Revolving Loan or any Delayed Drawdown Loan at any time, the excess, if any, of (a) the Commitment Amount over (b) the Funded Amount thereof.

**“Unscheduled Principal Payments”** means any principal payments received with respect to a Collateral Obligation as a result of optional redemptions, exchange offers, tender offers, other payments or prepayments made at the option of the issuer thereof or that are otherwise not scheduled to be made thereunder.

**“Valuation Report”** means the accounting report, determined as of the close of business on each Determination Date, rendered in accordance with the terms of the Indenture.

**“Voting Record Date”** means, with respect to any vote by the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares in relation to the appointment or removal of the directors of the Issuer, (a) 15 days prior to the relevant shareholders meeting or (b) in the case of any vote by the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares exercised by written consent resolution, the date of such resolution.

**“Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the rate obtained by:

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Fixed Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum rate at which it pays interest (other than, with respect to Collateral Obligations that are not PIK Securities, any interest that is not required to be paid in Cash and may be deferred), using only the effective after-tax interest rate determined by the Servicer on any Fixed Rate Obligation after taking into account any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction and any gross-up paid by the obligor);

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);

(iii) dividing the sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations that are Fixed Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, adding to the sum the amount of any Spread Excess as of the Measurement Date, but only to the extent required to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test.

**“Weighted Average Life”** means, as of any Measurement Date the number obtained by (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying (A) the Average Life at that time of each Collateral Obligation by (B) the Principal Balance at that time of the Collateral Obligation and (ii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance at that time of all Collateral Obligations.



**“Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor”** means the summation of the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation (excluding Eligible Investments) by its respective Moody’s Rating Factor, dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) and rounding the result up to the nearest whole number.

**“Weighted Average Spread”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate obtained by:

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Floating Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum contract spread at which it pays interest (which (x) for PIK Securities for which interest has been deferred or capitalized, will be deemed to be zero, (y) for Collateral Obligations that would be PIK Securities but for the proviso in the definition thereof, will be deemed to be equal to the effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest applicable thereto and (z) for any Revolving Loan or Delayed Draw Loan, will be the per annum contract spread for the Funded Amount thereof and the rate of the commitment fee and such other fees payable to the Issuer for any Unfunded Amount thereof), determined with respect to any Floating Rate Obligation that does not bear interest based on a London interbank offered rate, by expressing the current interest rate on the Floating Rate Obligation as a spread above a three month London interbank offered rate calculated in a manner consistent with the calculation of LIBOR;

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);

(iii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to pass the Weighted Average Spread Test, adding to that sum the amount of Fixed Rate Excess as of the Measurement Date.

**“Workout Assets”** means a Loan, High-Yield Bond, or Qualified Equity Security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation that the Issuer does not advance any funds to purchase that does not qualify as a Collateral Obligation.

**“Written-Down Obligation”** means as of any date of determination, any Structured Finance Obligation as to which the Issuer or the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, has been notified by the issuer of the Structured Finance Obligation that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Structured Finance Obligation and all other Structured Finance Obligations secured by the same pool of collateral that rank *pari passu* with or senior in priority of payment to the Structured Finance Obligation exceeds the aggregate principal balance (including reserved interest or other amounts available for overcollateralization) of all collateral securing the Structured Finance Obligation and such other *pari passu* and senior Structured Finance Obligations (excluding defaulted collateral).

**“Zero-Coupon Security”** means a security that, at the time of determination, does not make periodic payments of interest. A Zero-Coupon Security shall not include a security that is a PIK Security.

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Issuer,

**GRAYSON CLO CORP.**

Co-Issuer,

and

**INVESTORS BANK & TRUST COMPANY**

Trustee

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**INDENTURE**

Dated as of November 30, 2006

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**COLLATERALIZED DEBT OBLIGATIONS**

U.S.\$1,015,000,000 Class A-1a Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2021

U.S.\$111,500,000 Class A-1b Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2021

U.S.\$68,000,000 Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2021

U.S.\$72,000,000 Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2021

U.S.\$75,000,000 Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2021

U.S.\$31,000,000 Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2021

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INDENTURE, dated as of November 30, 2006, among GRAYSON CLO LTD. (the "**Issuer**"), GRAYSON CLO CORP. (the "**Co-Issuer**") and INVESTORS BANK & TRUST COMPANY, as trustee (together with its permitted successors, the "**Trustee**").

#### PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

The Co-Issuers are duly authorized to execute and deliver this Indenture to provide for the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes and the Issuer is duly authorized to execute and deliver this Indenture to provide for the Class D Notes, in each case issuable as provided in this Indenture. All covenants and agreements made by the Co-Issuers in this Indenture are for the benefit and security of the Secured Parties. The Co-Issuers are entering into this Indenture, and the Trustee is accepting the trusts created by this Indenture, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged.

All things necessary to make this Indenture a valid agreement of the Co-Issuers in accordance with the agreement's terms have been done.

#### GRANTING CLAUSES

The Issuer Grants to the Trustee, for the benefit and security of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer and each Hedge Counterparty (collectively, the "**Secured Parties**"), all of its right, title, and interest in, to, and under, in each case, whether now owned or existing, or hereafter acquired or arising:

(a) the Collateral Obligations (listed, as of the Closing Date, in Schedule 1 to this Indenture and as such Schedule 1 may be modified, amended and revised subsequent to the Closing Date by the Issuer) and all Workout Assets, including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles (as defined in the UCC) relating thereto, all payments made or to be made thereon or with respect thereto, and all Collateral Obligations and Workout Assets including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles (as defined in the UCC) relating thereto, which are delivered or credited to the Trustee, or for which a Security Entitlement is delivered or credited to the Trustee or which are credited to one or more of the Issuer Accounts on or after the Closing Date and all payments made or to be made thereon or with respect thereto;

(b) the Custodial Account, the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Securities Lending Account (collectively, the "**Issuer Accounts**"), Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, and all income from funds in the Issuer Accounts;

(c) the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account (and, together with the Issuer Accounts, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the "**Accounts**") and assets included therein, subject to the terms of the related Synthetic Security (provided, however, that any such rights in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee (or Securities Intermediary) first to secure the Issuer's payment obligations to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty and second for the benefit of the Secured Parties);

(d) the Servicing Agreement, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Securities Lending Agreements and all Securities Lending Collateral and the Securities Lending Account, the Hedge Agreements as set forth in Article 15 and all Collateral securing the Hedge Counterparty's



obligations thereunder including, without limitation, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Collateral Administration Agreement to the extent of any rights of the Issuer therein;

(e) all Cash or money delivered to the Trustee (or its bailee);

(f) all securities, investments, investment property, instruments, money and agreements of any nature in which the Issuer has an interest (except for money, securities and investments in the Issuer's bank account in the Cayman Islands), including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles (as defined in the UCC) relating thereto; and

(g) all proceeds with respect to the foregoing;

(all of the property and assets described in foregoing clauses (a) through (g), but excluding the Excluded Property, the "*Collateral*").

These Grants are not intended to and do not transfer any liability under the Collateral, which liabilities shall remain the sole obligation of the Issuer. These Grants are made, however, in trust as separate trusts, to secure the Notes. Except as provided in Article 13 and the priorities set forth in the Priority of Payments, the Notes are secured by the first grant equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction between any Note and any other Note because of difference in time of issuance or otherwise. The Grants are made to secure, in accordance with the priorities in the Priority of Payments and Article 13:

(i) the payment of all amounts due on the Notes equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction between any Note and any other Note because of difference in time of issuance or otherwise, in accordance with their terms;

(ii) the payment of all other sums payable under this Indenture (other than amounts payable in respect of the Preference Shares);

(iii) the payment of sums payable to any Hedge Counterparty under a Hedge Agreement;

(iv) the payment of sums payable to the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement; and

(v) compliance with this Indenture;

(collectively, the "*Secured Obligations*"), all as provided in this Indenture.

The Trustee acknowledges the Grants, accepts the trusts under this Indenture in accordance with this Indenture, and agrees to perform its duties in this Indenture in accordance with the provisions hereof.

## ARTICLE 1

### DEFINITIONS

#### Section 1.1. *Definitions.*

Except as otherwise specified in this Indenture or as the context may otherwise require, the following terms have the respective meanings provided below for all purposes of this Indenture.

**"A/B Exchange"**: An exchange of one security (the "**A Security**") for another security (the "**B Security**") of the same issuer or issuers, which security shall have substantially identical terms to the A Security except that one or more transfer restrictions applicable to the A Security are inapplicable to the B Security.

**"Accounts"**: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Accountants' Certificate"**: An agreed upon procedures report of a firm of Independent certified public accountants of international reputation appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8(a), which may be the firm of Independent accountants that performs certain accounting services for the Issuer or the Servicer.

**"Accrued Interest On Sale"**: Interest accrued on a Collateral Obligation at the time of sale or other disposition to the extent paid to the Issuer as part of the sale or other disposition price of the Collateral Obligation after deduction of any amount representing Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal"**: (i) Interest accrued on or purchased with a Collateral Obligation as part of the price paid by the Issuer to acquire the Collateral Obligation less any amount of Interest Proceeds (applied as Interest Proceeds) applied by the Issuer to acquire the accrued interest at the time of purchase and (ii) interest accrued on a Loan that constitutes part of the price paid by the Issuer to repurchase and terminate participations sold to Pre-Closing Parties to finance the Issuer's pre-closing acquisition of such Loan.

**"Act"**: The meaning specified in Section 14.2.

**"Administration Agreement"**: The Administration Agreement, between the Issuer and the Administrator, providing for the administrative functions of the Issuer, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Administrative Expense Cap"**: An amount on any Payment Date equal to the excess of:

(a) the sum of 0.04% of the Maximum Amount on the related Determination Date plus \$150,000, over

(b) the sum of the amounts paid for Administrative Expenses in the twelve months preceding the current Payment Date.

**"Administrative Expenses"**: Amounts due or accrued representing

(i) tax preparation, filing, and registration fees or expenses and any other filing and registration fees owed by the Co-Issuers or Investors Corp. (including all filing, registration, and annual return fees payable to the Cayman Islands government and registered office fees);

(ii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Trustee (including all amounts under Section 6.8), the Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator and the Original Administrator;

(iii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Co-Issuers and Investors Corp. and of accountants, agents, and counsel for each of the Co-Issuers and Investors Corp.;

(iv) fees and expenses of the Rating Agencies in connection with any rating of the Notes owed by either Co-Issuer (including fees and expenses for ongoing surveillance, credit estimates, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies);

(v) expenses and indemnities (but not Servicing Fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;

(vi) fees, indemnities and expenses for third-party loan pricing services and accountants; and

(vii) amounts due (other than indemnities) to any other person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for in this Indenture, including fees or expenses in connection with any Securities Lending Agreement.

**"Administrator"**: Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited.

**"Affected Class"**: Any Class of Notes that, as a result of the occurrence of a Tax Event, has received, or will receive less than the aggregate amount of principal and interest that would otherwise have been payable to such Class on the Distribution Date related to the Due Period with respect to which such Tax Event occurs.

**"Affiliate" or "Affiliated"**: With respect to a person,

(i) any other person who, directly or indirectly, is in control of, or controlled by, or is under common control with, the person, or

(ii) any other person who is a director, officer, or employee (A) of the person, (B) of any subsidiary or parent company of the person or (C) of any person described in clause (i) above.

For the purposes of this definition, control of a person shall mean the power, direct or indirect,

(A) to vote more than 50% of the securities having ordinary voting power for the election of directors of the person, or

(B) to direct the corporate management and corporate policies of the person whether by contract or otherwise (this does not include the Servicing Agreement unless it is amended expressly to provide those services).

For the purpose of this definition, the Administrator and its Affiliates are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Co-Issuers and the Co-Issuers are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Administrator, or any of their Affiliates.

**"Agent Members"**: Members of, or participants in, a Depository.

**"Aggregate Outstanding Amount"**: When used with respect to any of the Notes as of any date, the aggregate principal amount of such Notes on that date. When used with respect to the Preference Shares as of any date, means the number of such Preference Shares Outstanding on such date.

Except as otherwise provided herein:

(a) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1a Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(b) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1b Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(c) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-2 Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(d) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes at any time shall include all Deferred Interest attributed thereto;

(e) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes at any time shall include all Class C Deferred Interest attributed thereto; and

(f) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes at any time shall include all Class D Deferred Interest attributed thereto.

**"Aggregate Principal Balance"**: When used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Principal Balances of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Principal Balance means the sum of the Principal Balances of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**"Aggregate Purchase Price Amount"**: When used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Purchase Price Amount means the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**"Allocable Principal Balance"**: With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, the portion of the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security that is allocable to each Reference Obligation comprising such index or indices based upon allocating the Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security among such Reference Obligations in the same proportion as each Reference Obligation bears to the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security.

**"Amendment Buy-Out"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.6(a).

**"Amendment Buy-Out Option"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.6(a).

**"Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price"**: The purchase price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Transaction Securities purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the date of purchase payable to the Non-Consenting Holder (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), plus any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment, plus in the case of any CDS/TRS Purchaser, the applicable CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares and the Holding Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions

made in respect of such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, since the Closing Date (and any amounts payable, if any, to the Non-Consenting Holder or the Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder, as applicable, on the next succeeding Payment Date) would cause such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); provided, however, that in any Amendment Buy-Out from and after the date on which the Non-Consenting Holders or the Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price for such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, shall be zero.

**"Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser"**: The Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); provided that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Transaction Securities from Holders pursuant to Section 9.6, "Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser, the Investors Corp. Initial Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; provided, however, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, the Investors Corp. Initial Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

**"Applicable Discount Rate"** : For purposes of determining the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount with respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser in connection with an Amendment Buy-Out, USD-LIBOR-BBA, as defined in the Annex to the 2000 ISDA Definitions as determined by the applicable CDS/TRS Purchaser on the Business Day preceding the date of purchase of the applicable Notes from such CDS/TRS Purchaser in connection with such Amendment Buy-Out.

**"Applicable Issuers" or "Applicable Issuer"**: With respect to the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes, each of the Co-Issuers. With respect to the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares, the Issuer only.

**"Applicable Note Interest Rate":**

With respect to the Notes of any Class, the Note Interest Rate with respect to such Class.

**"Applicable Percentage":** The lesser of the

Moody's Priority Category

Recovery Rate and the S&P

Priority Category Recovery Rate

applicable to the Collateral

Obligation as specified in the tables

below. **Moody's Priority Category**

**Moody's Priority Category  
Recovery Rate**

Synthetic Securities .....	<p>In the case of:</p> <p>(i) a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to the Form-Approved Synthetic Security at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security by Moody's, and</p> <p>(ii) any other Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to the Synthetic Security at the time of acquisition of the Synthetic Security.</p>
Structured Finance Obligations .....	<p>The Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the Moody's Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 5</u> by reference to the type of asset and its then Moody's Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that schedule does not apply, on a case-by-case basis in connection with the Grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).</p>
unsecured DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligations not covered above or below .....	As determined by Moody's on a case-by-case basis.

For High-Yield Bonds, Moody's Senior Secured Loans and Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is the rate determined pursuant to the table below based on the number of rating subcategories difference between the High-Yield Bond's or Loan's Moody's Obligation Rating and its Moody's Default Probability Rating (for purposes of clarification, if the Moody's Obligation Rating is higher than the Moody's Default Probability Rating, the rating subcategories difference will be positive and if it is lower, negative):

<b>Number of Moody's Rating Subcategories Difference Between the Moody's Obligation Rating and the Moody's Default Probability Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>High-Yield Bonds</b>
+2 or more	60.0%	45.0%	40.0%
+1	50.0%	42.5%	35.0%
0	45.0%	40.0%	30.0%
-1	40.0%	30.0%	15.0%
-2	30.0%	15.0%	10.0%
-3 or less	20.0%	10.0%	2.0%

If no Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate has been specifically assigned with respect to a Loan pursuant to the above table, and the Loan is a secured DIP Loan, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is 50.0%.

<b>S&amp;P Priority Category</b>	<b>S&amp;P Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Senior Secured Loans other than Subordinated Lien Loans or DIP Loans	55.0%
Senior Unsecured Loans.....	37.5%
Second Lien Loans .....	37.5%
Subordinated Lien Loans other than a DIP Loan .....	21.5%
Senior Secured High-Yield Bonds .....	44.0%
Senior Unsecured High-Yield Bonds ....	30.0%
Subordinated High-Yield Bonds .....	18.0%
Structured Finance Obligations.....	The S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the S&P Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 6</u> by reference to the type of asset and its then S&P Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that table does not apply, on a case by case basis in connection with the Grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
Synthetic Securities .....	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis in connection with the Grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation.
DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligation not covered above.....	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis.

**"Approved Credit Support Document"**: A security agreement in the form of the 1994 ISDA Credit Support Annex (ISDA Agreements Subject to New York Law Only), as modified by Paragraph 13 thereto.

**"Approved Pricing Service"**: Loan Pricing Corporation, Mark-It-Partners, Inc. or any other nationally recognized loan pricing service approved in writing by S&P.

**"Ask-Side Market Value"**: As of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any lent Collateral Obligation based upon the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the higher of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the ask-side prices for the purchase of such Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer); provided that if the Ask-Side Market Value of any lent Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the outstanding principal balance thereof.

**"Assigned Moody's Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Authenticating Agent"**: With respect to the Notes, the Trustee or the person designated by the Trustee to authenticate the Notes on behalf of the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.15.

**"Authorized Officer"**: With respect to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp., any Officer or agent who is authorized to act for the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp., as applicable, in matters relating to, and binding on, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp. With respect to the Servicer, any managing member, Officer, manager, employee, partner or agent of the Servicer who is authorized to act for the Servicer in matters relating to, and binding on, the Servicer with respect to the subject matter of the request, certificate, or order in question. With respect to the Trustee or any other bank or trust company acting as trustee of an express trust or as custodian, a Trust Officer. Each party may receive and accept a certification of the authority of any other party as conclusive evidence of the authority of any person to act, and the certification may be considered as in full force and effect until receipt by the other party of written notice to the contrary.

**"Average Life"**: As of any Measurement Date with respect to any Collateral Obligation (other than any Defaulted Collateral Obligation), the quotient obtained by dividing:

- (i) the sum of the products of:
  - (A) the number of years (rounded to the nearest hundredth) from the Measurement Date to the respective dates of each successive scheduled payment of principal of the Collateral Obligation, and
  - (B) the respective amounts of the successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation, by
- (ii) the sum of all successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Bank"**: Investors Bank & Trust Company, in its individual capacity and not as Trustee.

**"Bankruptcy Code"**: The U.S. Bankruptcy Code, Title 11 of the United States Code.

**"Bankruptcy Law"**: The Bankruptcy Code, Part V of the Companies Law (2004 Revision) of the Cayman Islands and the Bankruptcy Law (1997 Revision) of the Cayman Islands.

**"Beneficial Owner"**: Any person owning an interest in a Global Note as reflected on the books of the Depository or on the books of an Agent Member or on the books of an indirect participant for which an Agent Member acts as agent.

**"Benefit Plan Investor"**: Any (i) "employee benefit plan" within the meaning of Section 3(3) of ERISA, that is subject to Title I of ERISA, (ii) any "plan" described by Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code, or an entity whose underlying assets include the assets of any plan described in (i) or (ii) by reason of such plan's investment in such entity.

**"Board Resolution"**: With respect to the Issuer, a resolution of the board of directors of the Issuer and, with respect to the Co-Issuer, a resolution of the board of directors of the Co-Issuer.

**"Business Day"**: A day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in New York City and any other city in which the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee is located and, in the case of the final payment of principal of any Note, the place of presentation of the Note designated by the Trustee; provided, however, that, for purposes of determining LIBOR, "Business Day" must also be a day on which dealings in deposits in Dollars are transacted in the London interbank market. To the extent action is required of the Irish Paying Agent, Dublin, Ireland



shall be considered in determining "Business Day" for purposes of determining when actions by the Irish Paying Agent are required.

**"Calculation Agent"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.16.

**"Caa1 Collateral Obligations"**: The Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have a Moody's Rating below "B3".

**"Cash"**: Such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for payment of all public and private debts.

**"CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations"**: The Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have (i) a Moody's Rating below "B3" and/or (ii) an S&P Rating below "B-".

**"CCC+/Caa1 Excess Market Value Percentage"**: The percentage equivalent of a fraction, the numerator of which is the aggregate Market Value of CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations (in order of ascending Market Value Percentage, starting with the CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation with the lowest Market Value Percentage) with an aggregate Principal Balance equal to Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations and the denominator of which is an amount equal to the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations.

**"CDS/TRS Purchaser"**: A Holder of the Notes or, in the case of Notes represented by Global Notes, any beneficial owner thereof that has entered into either a credit default swap or a total return swap with respect to such Notes.

**"CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount"**: With respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser in connection with an Amendment Buy-Out, as the case may be, (i) on any Payment Date prior to the November 2010 Payment Date, an amount equal to the present value of the Fixed Amounts with respect to such CDS/TRS Purchaser and each Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period until the last Fixed Rate Calculation Period, discounting each Fixed Amount from the Payment Date following the end of each such Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period to the date of purchase of the applicable Notes at the Applicable Discount Rate, and (ii) on any Payment Date on and after the November 2010 Payment Date, zero; provided that, in the case of clause (i), the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount shall be calculated by the Servicer and subject to the approval of such CDS/TRS Purchaser.

**"Certificate of Authentication"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.1.

**"Certificated Class D Note"**: The meaning set forth in Section 2.2(e).

**"Certificated Preference Share"**: The meaning set forth in the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

**"Certificated Security (UCC)"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(4) of the UCC.

**"CIFG"**: The meaning set forth in Section 14.3(e).

**"Class"**: All of the Notes having the same priority and the same Stated Maturity and all of the Preference Shares.

**"Class A Notes"**: The Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes.

**“Class A-1 Notes”**: The Class A-1a Notes and the Class A-1b Notes.

**"Class A-1a Notes"**: The Class A-1a Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class A-1b Notes "**: The Class A-1b Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class A-2 Notes "**: The Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class A Coverage Tests"**: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes and the Class A-2 Notes.

**“Class B Coverage Test”**: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class B Notes.

**“Class B Deferred Interest”**: Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes.

**"Class B Notes"**: The Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class C Coverage Tests"**: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class C Notes.

**"Class C Deferred Interest"**: Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C Notes.

**"Class C Notes"**: The Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class D Coverage Tests"**: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class D Notes.

**"Class D Deferred Interest"**: Deferred Interest with respect to the Class D Notes.

**"Class D Notes"**: The Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**“Class I Preference Shares”**: The Class I Preference Shares issued by the Issuer pursuant to the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association and the resolutions of the Issuer's board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

**“Class II Preference Share Percentage”**: For any Payment Date, a fraction, expressed as a percentage, the numerator of which is the number of Outstanding Class II Preference Shares on such Payment Date and the denominator of which is the total number of Outstanding Preference Shares on such Payment Date.

**“Class II Preference Share Portion”**: For any Payment Date, 100% minus the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date.

***“Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment”***: For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Senior Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

***“Class II Preference Share Special Payment”***: Collectively, the Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment, the Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment and the Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment.

***“Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account”***: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(j).

***“Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment”***: For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Subordinated Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

***“Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment”***: For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

***“Class II Preference Shares”***: The Class II Preference Shares issued by the Issuer pursuant to the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association and the resolutions of the Issuer's board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

***“Class Scenario Loss Rate”***: With respect to any Class of Notes rated by S&P, an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, consistent with S&P's rating of the Class of Notes on the Closing Date, determined by application of the S&P CDO Monitor.

***“Clearing Agency”***: An organization registered as a "clearing agency" pursuant to Section 17A of the Exchange Act.

***“Clearing Corporation”***: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(5) of the UCC.

***“Clearing Corporation Security”***: A "security" (as defined in Section 8-102(a)(15) of the UCC) that (i) is a debt or equity security and (ii) is in the custody of or maintained on the books of a Clearing Corporation or its nominee.

***“Clearstream”***: Clearstream Banking, société anonyme, a corporation organized under the laws of the Duchy of Luxembourg.

***“Closing Date”***: November 30, 2006.

***“Closing Date Expense Account”***: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(g).

***“Co-Issuer”***: The person named as such on the first page of this Indenture.

***“Co-Issuers”***: The Issuer and the Co-Issuer.

***“Code”***: The United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

**"Collateral"**: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Collateral Acquisition Agreement"**: The agreement dated as of the Closing Date between the Issuer and the Servicer, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Collateral Administration Agreement"**: The agreement dated as of the Closing Date among the Issuer, the Servicer, and the Collateral Administrator, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Collateral Administrator"**: Investors Bank & Trust Company, in its capacity as collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement.

**"Collateral Assignment of Hedge Agreements"**: With respect to each Hedge Agreement, the assignment of all of the Issuer's interest in the Hedge Agreement to the Trustee and acknowledged by the Hedge Counterparty to create a security interest therein in favor of the Trustee.

**"Collateral Obligation"**: Any obligation or security that, when the Issuer commits to purchase (or otherwise acquire) the obligation or security, is a Loan, High-Yield Bond, Structured Finance Obligation, or Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that is a Loan, a Structured Finance Obligation or High-Yield Bond that is:

- (1) denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars and is not convertible by its obligor into any other currency;
- (2) an obligation of an obligor Domiciled in an Eligible Country;
- (3) an obligation that is eligible by its terms to be assigned to the Issuer and pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral;
- (4) not an exchangeable or convertible security;
- (5) not an equity security or a component of an equity security or a security that has a component that is an equity security (other than for avoidance of doubt, a pass-through trust certificate in a trust holding Collateral Obligations);
- (6) not an obligation or security that has been called for redemption and is not an obligation or security that is the subject of an Offer other than a Permitted Offer or an exchange offer in which a security that is not registered under the Securities Act is exchanged for (i) a security that has substantially identical terms (except for transfer restrictions) but is registered under the Securities Act or (ii) a security that would otherwise qualify for purchase under Article 12;
- (7) an obligation that (a) has a Moody's Rating (including any estimated or confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored) and (b) has an S&P Rating (including any confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored), which S&P Rating does not have a "p", "pi", "q", "r" or "t" subscript unless S&P otherwise authorizes in writing;
- (8) an obligation that is a Finance Lease (if it is a lease) and the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;
- (9) (a) an obligation that is not a Current-Pay Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation and (b) in the case of a Collateral Obligation

that has a Moody's Rating of "Caa1" or lower or an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower, an obligation for which the Servicer has certified in writing that such Collateral Obligation is not a Credit Risk Obligation;

(10) an obligation that (unless it is a High-Yield Bond) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness for borrowed money of the applicable issuer; provided that for the avoidance of doubt, this clause shall not prohibit the inclusion as Collateral Obligations of Subordinated Lien Loans or Second Lien Loans;

(11) an obligation that (i) (unless it is a PIK Security) bears simple interest payable in cash no less frequently than annually at a fixed or floating rate that is paid on a periodic basis on an unleveraged basis and, in the case of a floating rate, computed on a benchmark interest rate plus or minus a spread, if any (which may vary under the terms of the obligation) and (ii) provides for a fixed amount of principal payable in cash according to a fixed schedule (which may include optional call dates) or at maturity (or a fixed notional amount in the case of Synthetic Securities);

(12) an obligation the payment or repayment of the principal, if any, of which is not an amount determined by reference to any formula or index or subject to any contingency under the terms thereof;

(13) an obligation the portion of which to be acquired (including through a Synthetic Security with respect to the Reference Obligation) does not represent, directly or indirectly, more than a 25% interest in the obligation;

(14) not an obligation with a maturity later than two years after the Stated Maturity of the Notes;

(15) an obligation upon which no payments are subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the obligor thereof or counterparty with respect thereto is required to make "gross-up" payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax on an after-tax basis (other than withholding taxes with respect to commitment fees associated with Collateral Obligations constituting Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans);

(16) not a Loan or Synthetic Security that would require the Issuer after its purchase of the Loan or Synthetic Security to advance any funds to the related borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty or permit the borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty to require that any future advances be made except for:

(A) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the Issuer deposits into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, respectively, the maximum amount of any advances that may be required of the Issuer under the related Underlying Instrument (as provided in Section 10.3(b)), and

(B) any Synthetic Security if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Synthetic Security, the Issuer posts cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) the Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of any future advances;

(17) if such obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation, such obligation:

(A) has been assigned a rating by both Moody's and S&P;

(B) has a Moody's Rating of "Ba3" or higher and an S&P Rating of "BB-" or higher; and

(C) has not been placed on the watch list for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P;

(18) not a Loan that is an obligation of a debtor in possession or a trustee for a debtor in an insolvency proceeding other than a DIP Loan;

(19) with respect to an obligation that provides for the payment of interest at a floating rate, an obligation for which such floating rate is determined by reference to the U.S. Dollar prime rate or other base rate, London interbank offered rate or similar interbank offered rate, commercial deposit rate or any other index that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto;

(20) in the case of a Synthetic Security, the Synthetic Security is one for which the counterparty or issuer, as the case may be, has a short-term debt rating by Moody's of at least "P-1" or long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" and, if rated "A3" by Moody's, such rating is not on watch for downgrade, and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "AA-" or a short term debt rating by S&P of at least "A-1+";

(21) not an obligation that constitutes Margin Stock;

(22) not a Zero-Coupon Security;

(23) not an obligation that is currently deferring interest or paying interest "in kind" or otherwise has an interest "in kind" balance outstanding at the time of purchase, which interest is otherwise payable in cash, unless the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;

(24) not a security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer;

(25) not an obligation the interest payments of which are scheduled to decrease (although interest payments may decrease due to unscheduled events such as a decrease if the index relating to a Floating Rate Obligation, the change from a default rate of interest to a non-default rate of interest or an improvement in the obligor's financial condition);

(26) not an obligation that will cause the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the pool of assets to be required to be registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act; and

(27) in the case of a Loan, an obligation that is part of, or a Participation in, a syndicated loan facility that provides for a commitment by the lenders, in the aggregate, of no less than \$25,000,000.

Pursuant to the definition of "Synthetic Security," unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the

occurrence of any "credit event" must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event."

**"Collateral Quality Tests":** The Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Life Test, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the S&P CDO Monitor Test.

**"Collection Account":** The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.2(a).

**"Commitment Amount":** With respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the maximum aggregate outstanding principal amount (whether then funded or unfunded) of advances or other extensions of credit that the Issuer could be required to make to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments.

**"Commitment Reduction":** With respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, a permanent reduction (whether scheduled, mandatory, optional, or otherwise) in the related Commitment Amount.

**"Concentration Limitations":** The limit set forth below with respect to a particular type of Relevant Obligation (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) as a percentage of the Maximum Amount:

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(1) Senior Secured Loans and Eligible Investments	$\geq 87.5\%$
(2) unsecured Loans	$\leq 3.0\%$
(3) Subordinated Lien Loans and Second Lien Loans	$\leq 10.0\%$
(4) Revolving Loans and the unfunded portion of Delayed Drawdown Loans	$\leq 12.0\%$
(5) DIP Loans	$\leq 5.0\%$
(a) except that with a Rating Confirmation, DIP Loans may constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 7.5\%$
(6) S&P Unrated DIP Loans	$\leq 2.5\%$
(7) PIK Securities	$\leq 3.0\%$
(8) High-Yield Bonds	$\leq 7.5\%$
(9) Structured Finance Obligations	$\leq 10.0\%$
(a) except that Structured Finance Obligations serviced by the Servicer may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 2.5\%$
(b) except that a single issuer together with any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) of a Structured Finance Obligation may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 3.0\%$

(10)	Structured Finance Obligations that are collateralized loan obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(11)	obligors Domiciled other than in the United States and Canada	$\leq 15.0\%$
(12)	obligors Domiciled in Canada or any single Moody's Group I Country	$\leq 10.0\%$
(13)	obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group II Country	$\leq 5.0\%$
(14)	obligors Domiciled in all Moody's Group II Countries in the aggregate	$\leq 10.0\%$
(15)	obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group III Country	$\leq 2.5\%$
(16)	obligors Domiciled in all Moody's Group III Countries in the aggregate	$\leq 5.0\%$
(17)	obligors organized in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction	$\leq 5.0\%$
(18)	same S&P Industry Classification	$\leq 8.0\%$
(a)	except that Relevant Obligations belonging to two S&P Industry Classifications may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 12.0\%$
(19)	single issuer and any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties)	$\leq 1.5\%$
(a)	except that up to each of five individual issuers and any of their Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 2.5\%$
(20)	Fixed Rate Obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(21)	Pay interest less frequently than quarterly but no less frequently than semi-annually	$\leq 7.5\%$
(22)	Pay interest less frequently than semi-annually but no less frequently than annually	$\leq 3.0\%$
(23)	Synthetic Securities	$\leq 20.0\%$
(a)	except that Synthetic Securities that provide for settlement other than by physical delivery may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$
(b)	except that Synthetic Securities that reference a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$
(24)	Participations ( <u>provided</u> that no Relevant Obligations may be a Participation in a Participation)	$\leq 20.0\%$



(25)	Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, in the aggregate may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 20.0\%$
(26)	Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, a single Secondary Risk Counterparty	$\leq$ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Individual Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating*
(27)	Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, all Secondary Risk Counterparties	$\leq$ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Aggregate Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating**
(28)	Deep Discount Obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(29)	CCC+/Caa1 and below Collateral Obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(30)	Long-Dated Collateral Obligations	$\leq 2.0\%$
(31)	Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements	$\leq 15.0\%$
(32)	Collateral Obligations providing for interest at a non-London interbank offered rate (excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, the unfunded amount of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan)	$\leq 5.0\%$
(33)	Collateral Obligations that are Loans that are part of a credit facility with a total global aggregate commitment amount of equal to or greater than \$25,000,000 but less than \$75,000,000	$\leq 10.0\%$
(34)	Collateral Obligations that are Loans that are part of a credit facility with a total global aggregate commitment amount of less than \$25,000,000	$\leq 0.0\%$

\* Applicable long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P of such Secondary Risk Counterparty (using the limit for the lower of such ratings if different).

\*\* Long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P at or below a level specified in the Secondary Risk Table (using the lower of such ratings for a Secondary Risk Counterparty, if different).

Subject to the rights in certain circumstances of the Servicer to determine otherwise as set out in Section 1.2(h), solely for the purpose of determining whether the Concentration Limitations are met, Eligible Investments and Cash will be treated as Senior Secured Loans and Floating Rate Obligations.

**"Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares":** With respect to any Payment Date, a Holder of Preference Shares that has consented by delivering an irrevocable written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent to a distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds on such Payment Date.

**"Controlling Class":** The Class A-1a Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class A-1a Notes are Outstanding; then the Class A-1b Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class A-1b Notes are Outstanding; then the Class A-2 Notes (voting together

as a Class or group), so long as any Class A-2 Notes are Outstanding; then the Class B Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class B Notes are Outstanding; then the Class C Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class C Notes are Outstanding; and then the Class D Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class D Notes are Outstanding.

**"Controlling Person"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.6(c).

**"Corporate Trust Office"**: The corporate trust office of the Trustee at which the Trustee performs its duties under this Indenture, currently having an address of 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code: EUC 108, Boston, MA, 02116, telecopy no. (617) 351-4358, Attention: CDO Services Group or any other address the Trustee designates from time to time by notice to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Issuer, and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Trustee.

**"Coverage Tests"**: Collectively, the Class A Coverage Tests, the Class B Coverage Tests, the Class C Coverage Tests and the Class D Coverage Tests applicable as of any Measurement Date.

**"Credit Improved Obligation"**: Any Collateral Obligation that (a) is sold pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange or (b) in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has improved in credit quality; provided that, in forming such judgment, a reduction in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment; and provided, further, that, if a Credit Rating Event is in effect, such Collateral Obligation will be considered a Credit Improved Obligation only if in addition to the above:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been upgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing positive credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under this Indenture,

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced a reduction in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Servicer (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's),

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has increased by at least 1.00% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Servicer (provided that this subclause (iii)(x) will be deemed satisfied if Market Value increases to 101), or (y) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more positive than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, plus 3.00%, over the same period, or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super

Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Improved Obligation if:

- (i) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Improved Obligation or
- (ii) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Improved Obligation.

**"Credit Rating Event"**: An event that is in effect if the rating by Moody's:

- (i) of the Class A-1a Notes or the Class A-1b Notes has been withdrawn or is one or more rating sub-categories below its Initial Rating; or
- (ii) of the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes has been withdrawn or is two or more rating sub-categories below its respective Initial Rating.

For the purposes of this definition, any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not be effective if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody's has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Class A-1a Notes or the Class A-1b Notes, or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**"Credit Risk Obligation"**: Any Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has significantly declined in credit quality and has a significant risk, with a lapse of time, of becoming a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; provided that in forming such judgment, an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment.

So long as a Credit Rating Event is in effect, no Collateral Obligation shall be eligible to be a Credit Risk Obligation unless in addition to the above, as of the date of determination:

- (i) the Collateral Obligation has been downgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing negative credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under this Indenture,
- (ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced an increase in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Servicer (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's),
- (iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has decreased by at least 2.50% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of

acquisition, as determined by the Servicer, and (y) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more negative, or less positive, as the case may be, than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, less 3.00%, over the same period, or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation set forth in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) above, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Risk Obligation if:

- (a) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Risk Obligation, or
- (b) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Risk Obligation.

**"Current-Pay Obligation":** A Collateral Obligation as to which:

- (i) an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to its obligor or as to which its obligor is rated "D" or "SD" by S&P or its obligor has previously been rated "CCC-" by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn,
- (ii) no default as to the payment of principal or interest with respect to the Collateral Obligation is then continuing and the Servicer has delivered to the Trustee an Officer's certificate to the effect that the Servicer expects that the obligor will make payments on the Collateral Obligation as they become due,
- (iii) (A) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is at least "Caa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 80% of its Principal Balance or (B) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is less than "Caa1" or is "Caa1" and on credit watch with negative implications, the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 85% of its Principal Balance,
- (iv) if an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to the obligor of the Collateral Obligation, a bankruptcy court has authorized the payment of interest payable on the Collateral Obligation, and
- (v) the Servicer has designated in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligation as a Current-Pay Obligation.

If the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations exceeds 5% of the Maximum Amount, all or a portion of one or more Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance equal to the amount of the excess shall not be Current-Pay Obligations (and will therefore be Defaulted Collateral Obligations). The Servicer shall designate in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligations that shall not be Current-Pay Obligations pursuant to the preceding sentence as the Collateral Obligations (or portions thereof) that have the lowest Market Value on any applicable date of determination.

The Servicer may, with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, by notice to the Issuer, the Trustee, and the Collateral Administrator, change the definition of "Current-Pay Obligation" or how Current-Pay Obligations are treated in this Indenture, subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency.

**"Current Portfolio"**: At any time, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations, Principal Proceeds held as Cash on deposit in the Collection Account, and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account that exists before the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or before the acquisition of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**"Custodial Account"**: The custodial account established in the name of the Trustee pursuant to Section 10.3(a).

**"Custodian"**: The meaning specified in the first sentence of Section 3.2(a) with respect to items of collateral referred to therein, and each entity with which an Account is maintained, as the context may require, each of which shall be a Securities Intermediary.

**"Deep Discount Obligation"**: Until the average Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation, as determined daily for any period of 30 consecutive days, equals or exceeds 90%, any Collateral Obligation acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 85% of its Principal Balance. For such purpose, the Market Value Percentage of a Collateral Obligation on a day that is not a Business Day shall be deemed to be the Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation on the immediately preceding Business Day.

**"Default"**: Any Event of Default or any occurrence that, with notice or the lapse of time or both, would become an Event of Default.

**"Defaulted Collateral Obligation"**: Any Collateral Obligation or other obligation included in the Collateral:

(i) as to which there has occurred and is continuing a default with respect to the payment of interest or principal with respect to such Collateral Obligation, without giving effect to any applicable grace period or waiver (provided that if the Servicer certifies to the Trustee in writing that such default is for non-credit related reasons, the related Collateral Obligation shall not be treated as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under this clause (i) unless and until such default has continued for a period of three (3) consecutive business days), but, in any case, only until such default has been cured;

(ii) the maturity of all or a portion of the principal amount of such Collateral Obligation has been accelerated as a consequence of a default (other than any payment default) under the instruments evidencing or relating to such Collateral Obligation; unless such default or event of default has been fully cured or waived and is no longer continuing and such acceleration has been rescinded;

(iii) with respect to which there has been effected any distressed exchange or other debt restructuring where the obligor has offered the holders thereof a new security or instrument or package of securities or instruments that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, either (x) amounts to a diminished financial obligation or (y) has the sole purpose of enabling the obligor to avoid a default;

(iv) (1) that is *pari passu* with or subordinated to other indebtedness for borrowed money owing by its obligor ("**Other Indebtedness**"), (2) the obligor has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (without regard to any applicable grace or notice period and without regard to any waiver of the default) on the Other Indebtedness, unless, in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid on the Other Indebtedness and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation and (3) the Servicer, provided that the related Collateral Obligation has not been downgraded after the default on such Other Indebtedness has occurred, determines (in its commercially reasonable judgment) that such Other Indebtedness is material;

(v) (other than a Current-Pay Obligation or a DIP Loan) as to which:

(A) an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to its obligor, or

(B) the obligation is rated "D", "SD", "C" or "CC" by S&P or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn, or has previously been rated "CCC-" or lower by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;

(vi) if the Collateral Obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation, it is rated "CC" or below by S&P, or it was rated "CC" or below by S&P but the rating has since been withdrawn, or it is rated "Ca" or below by Moody's, or it was rated "C" or below by Moody's but the rating has since been withdrawn;

(vii) that is a Participation that would, if the underlying Loan were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (v) above or with respect to which the Participating Institution has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Participation;

(viii) that is a Synthetic Security referencing a Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above or with respect to which the Synthetic Security Counterparty has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Synthetic Security; provided, however, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time: (x) a determination whether the Reference Obligations upon which such Synthetic Security is based would, if such Reference Obligations were Collateral Obligations, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each of the Reference Obligations on which such Synthetic Security is based in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation and (y) the "Defaulted Collateral Obligation" for purposes of this clause (viii) shall be limited to the Allocable Principal Balance of each Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above;

(ix) that is a Written-Down Obligation;

(x) that is a DIP Loan as to which an order has been entered converting the debtor's chapter 11 case to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code; or

(xi) that is declared to be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation by the Servicer.

Any Collateral Obligation that is classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall cease to be so classified if the Collateral Obligation, at any date thereafter,

(1) would not otherwise be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this definition; and

(2) otherwise meets the Eligibility Criteria as of that date.

If any portion of a Collateral Obligation has a maturity later than one year after the Stated Maturity of the Notes due to a change in the payment schedule of the Collateral Obligation occurring after its acquisition by the Issuer, that portion of the Collateral Obligation shall be considered a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**"Defaulted Hedge Termination Payment"**: Any termination payment required to be made by the Issuer to a Hedge Counterparty pursuant to a Hedge Agreement upon a termination of the Hedge Agreement in respect of which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**"Defaulted Interest"**: Any interest payable in respect of any Class of Notes that is not punctually paid or duly provided for on the applicable Payment Date or at Stated Maturity.

**"Defaulted Interest Charge"**: To the extent lawful, interest on any Defaulted Interest at the Default Interest Rate.

**"Default Interest Rate"**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate equal to the Note Interest Rate payable on the Notes of the Class.

**"Deferred Interest"**: With respect to any specified Class of Deferred Interest Notes, the meaning specified in Section 2.8(a).

**"Deferred Interest Notes"**: The Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**"Deficiency Amount"**: The meaning specified in Section 16.3(a).

**"Deficiency Notice Date"**: The meaning specified in Section 16.3(a).

**"Definitive Notes"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.11(b).

**"Delayed Drawdown Loan"**: A Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that

(i) requires the Issuer to make one or more future advances to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments,

(ii) specifies a maximum amount that can be borrowed on one or more fixed borrowing dates, and

(iii) does not permit the re-borrowing of any amount previously repaid.

A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Delayed Drawdown Loan for so long as its unused commitment amount is greater than zero and for purposes of the Concentration Limits only unfunded portions will count as Delayed Drawdown Loans.

**"Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(b).

**"Deliver"** or **"Delivered"** or **"Delivery"**: The taking of the following steps:

(i) in the case of each Certificated Security (UCC) (other than a Clearing Corporation Security) or Instrument,

(A) causing the delivery of such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument to the Custodian registered in the name of the Custodian or endorsed, by an effective endorsement, to the Custodian or in blank,

(B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument is credited to the applicable Account, and

(C) causing the Custodian to maintain continuous possession of such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument;

(ii) in the case of each Uncertificated Security (other than a Clearing Corporation Security),

(A) causing such Uncertificated Security to be continuously registered on the books of the issuer thereof to the Custodian, and

(B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Uncertificated Security is credited to the applicable Account;

(iii) in the case of each Clearing Corporation Security,

(A) causing the relevant Clearing Corporation to credit such Clearing Corporation Security to the securities account of the Custodian, and

(B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate by on its books and records that such Clearing Corporation Security is credited to the applicable Account;

(iv) in the case of each security issued or guaranteed by the United States of America or agency or instrumentality thereof and that is maintained in book-entry records of a Federal Reserve Bank ("**FRB**") (each such security, a "**Government Security**"),

(A) causing the creation of a Security Entitlement to such Government Security by the credit of such Government Security to the securities account of the Custodian at such FRB, and

(B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Government Security is credited to the applicable Account;

(v) in the case of each Security Entitlement not governed by clauses (i) through (iv) above,

(A) causing a Securities Intermediary (x) to indicate on its books and records that the underlying Financial Asset has been credited to be the Custodian's



securities account, (y) to receive a Financial Asset from a Securities Intermediary or acquiring the underlying Financial Asset for a Securities Intermediary, and in either case, accepting it for credit to the Custodian's securities account or (z) to become obligated under other law, regulation or rule to credit the underlying Financial Asset to a Security Intermediary's securities account,

(B) causing such Securities Intermediary to make entries on its books and records continuously identifying such Security Entitlement as belonging to the Custodian and continuously indicating on its books and records that such Security Entitlement is credited to the Custodian's securities account, and

(C) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Security Entitlement (or all rights and property of the Custodian representing such Security Entitlement) is credited to the applicable Account;

(vi) in the case of cash or money,

(A) causing the delivery of such cash or money to the Custodian,

(B) causing the Custodian to treat such cash or money as a Financial Asset maintained by such Custodian for credit to the applicable Account in accordance with the provisions of Article 8 of the UCC, and

(C) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such cash or money is credited to the applicable Account; and

(vii) in the case of each general intangible (including any Participation in which the Participation is not represented by an Instrument),

(A) causing the filing of a Financing Statement in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of the District of Columbia, Washington, DC, and

(B) causing the registration of this Indenture in the Register of Mortgages of the Issuer at the Issuer's registered office in the Cayman Islands;

in addition, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will obtain any and all consents required by the underlying agreements relating to any such general intangibles for the transfer of ownership and/or pledge hereunder (except to the extent that the requirement for such consent is rendered ineffective under Section 9-406 of the UCC).

In addition to the methods specified above, any Collateral may be delivered in accordance with any other method specified in an Opinion of Counsel delivered to the Trustee as sufficient to establish a first priority perfected security (subject to customary exceptions and qualifications) interest therein.

**"Depository" or "DTC":** The Depository Trust Company and its nominees.

**"Determination Date":** The last day of any Due Period.

**"DIP Loan":** Any Loan

- (i) that has a rating assigned by Moody's (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by Moody's, the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by Moody's within five Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer) and a rating assigned by S&P (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by S&P, the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P within two Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer),
- (ii) that is an obligation of a debtor in possession as described in Section 1107 of the Bankruptcy Code or a trustee (if appointment of a trustee has been ordered pursuant to Section 1104 of the Bankruptcy Code) (a "**Debtor**") organized under the laws of the United States or any state of the United States, and
- (iii) the terms of which have been approved by a final order of the United States Bankruptcy Court, United States District Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, the enforceability of which order is not subject to any pending contested matter or proceeding (as those terms are defined in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure) and which order provides that
  - (A) the Loan is secured by liens on the Debtor's otherwise unencumbered assets pursuant to Section 364(c)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code,
  - (B) the Loan is secured by liens of equal or senior priority on property of the Debtor's estate that is otherwise subject to a lien pursuant to Section 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code,
  - (C) the Loan is fully secured (based on a current valuation or appraisal report) by junior liens on the Debtor's encumbered assets, or
  - (D) if any portion of the Loan is unsecured, the repayment of the Loan retains priority over all other administrative expenses pursuant to Section 364(c)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code (and in the case of this clause (D), before the acquisition of the Loan, the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency).

**"Discount Note":** Any Note that is treated as being issued with "original issue discount" within the meaning of Section 1271 through 1275 of the Code and Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.

**"Diversity Score":** A single number that indicates collateral concentration in terms of both issuer and industry concentration, calculated as set forth in Schedule 4 to this Indenture.

**"Diversity Test":** A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Diversity Score equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score. For the purposes of calculating the Diversity Test, any Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation will be disregarded.

**"Dollar" or "U.S. Dollar" or "U.S.\$":** A dollar or other equivalent unit in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for all debts, public and private.

**"Domicile" or "Domiciled":** With respect to each Collateral Obligation, (i) the jurisdiction of incorporation, organization or creation of the related obligor or (ii) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that would otherwise be considered to be domiciled pursuant to clause (i) in a Tax

Advantaged Jurisdiction, the jurisdiction in which, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the related obligor conducts substantially all of its business operations and in which the assets primarily responsible for generating its revenues are located.

**"Due Date"**: Each date on which any payment is due on a Pledged Obligation in accordance with its terms.

**"Due Period"**: With respect to any Payment Date, for all purposes other than payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements, the period from the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date, from the Closing Date) up to but excluding the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the Payment Date (or in the case of the final Payment Date or any Payment Date that is a Redemption Date, through the Business Day before the Payment Date and for payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements the period from the day after the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date from the Closing Date) through the Payment Date).

**"Eligibility Criteria"**: The meaning specified in Section 12.2(b).

**"Eligible Collateral"**: Means: (i) Cash, (ii) U.S. Treasury obligations, (iii) U.S. agency obligations or (iv) commercial paper obligations rated at least "P-1" by Moody's (and not on watch for downgrade) and "A-1+" by S&P, in each case to collateralize fully on a mark-to-market basis the obligations of a Hedge Counterparty under the related Hedge Agreement.

**"Eligible Country"**: The United States, Canada and any country classified by Moody's as a Moody's Group I Country, Moody's Group II Country or Moody's Group III Country and, in each case, has an S&P foreign currency rating of at least "AA" by S&P; provided that such country has not imposed currency exchange controls.

**"Eligible Equity Security"**: An equity security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation by, or on behalf of, the Issuer that (i) is publicly traded on an Established Securities Market or (ii) the Market Value of which is higher than the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation with respect to which such equity security has been acquired by the Issuer.

**"Eligible Investments"**: Any Dollar-denominated obligation or asset that, when it is pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee under this Indenture, is one or more of the following:

- (a) Cash;
- (b) direct Registered obligations of, and Registered obligations the timely payment of principal and interest on which is fully and expressly guaranteed by, the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States the obligations of which are expressly backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, which in each case are not zero coupon securities;
- (c) demand and time deposits in, trust accounts, certificates of deposit payable within 91 days of issuance of, bankers' acceptances payable within 91 days of issuance issued by, or Federal funds sold by any depository institution or trust company incorporated under the laws of the United States or any state thereof and subject to supervision and examination by Federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or the debt obligations of such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or

debt obligations of such holding company), at the time of such acquisition or contractual commitment providing for such acquisition and throughout the term thereof, have a credit rating of not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade, or "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P in the case of commercial paper and short-term debt obligations; provided that in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than "AA-" by S&P and "Aa3" by Moody's and a short-term rating of "A-1+" by S&P and "P-1" by Moody's, and if so rated, is not on watch for downgrade;

(d) commercial paper or other short-term obligations with a maturity of not more than 183 days from the date of issuance and having at the time of such acquisition a credit rating of at least "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P; provided that, in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's and "AA-" by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade.

(e) unleveraged repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clause (b) above entered into with a U.S. federal or state depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (c) above or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose long-term credit rating is not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade or whose short-term credit rating is "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof; provided that, if such repurchase obligation has a maturity of longer than 91 days, the counterparty thereto must also have at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(f) any money market fund or similar vehicle having at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof a credit rating of "MR1+" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P; including any fund for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee serves as an investment adviser, administrator, shareholder servicing agent, custodian or subcustodian, notwithstanding that (A) the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses from such funds for services rendered (provided that such charges, fees and expenses are on terms consistent with terms negotiated at arm's length) and (B) the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses for services rendered, pursuant to this Indenture;

(g) a guaranteed reinvestment agreement from a bank (if treated as a deposit by such bank), insurance company or other corporation or entity organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (if treated as debt by such insurance company or other corporation or entity), providing for periodic payments thereunder during each Due Period; provided that each such agreement provides that it is terminable by the purchaser, without premium or penalty, in the event that the rating assigned to such agreement by either Moody's or S&P is at any time lower than the then current ratings assigned to the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes; provided, further, that, at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof, the issuer of such agreement has a senior unsecured long-term debt rating, issuer rating or counterparty rating of at least "Aaa" by Moody's, a short-term debt rating of "P-1" by Moody's (and not on watch for downgrade), a short-term debt rating of at least "A-1+" by S&P and a long-term debt rating of at least "AAA" by S&P (and not on watch for downgrade); and

(h) such other obligations or assets for which Rating Confirmation has been received;

and, in each case, with a stated maturity (giving effect to any applicable grace period) no later than the Business Day before the Payment Date next succeeding the date of acquisition.

Eligible Investments on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account must have a stated maturity no later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase.

Eligible Investments may not include:

(1) any interest-only security, any security purchased at a price in excess of 100% of its par value, any mortgage-backed security or any security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer;

(2) any security whose rating assigned by S&P includes the subscript "r," "t," "p," "pi," or "q";

(3) any floating rate security whose interest rate is inversely or otherwise not proportionately related to an interest rate index or is calculated as other than the sum of an interest rate index plus a spread (which spread may be zero);

(4) any security that is subject to an exchange or tender offer; or

(5) any security that has payments subject to foreign or United States withholding tax.

Eligible Investments may include Eligible Investments for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee is the issuer or depository institution or provides services. Eligible Investments may not include obligations principally secured by real property.

**"Emerging Market Security"**: A security or obligation issued by a sovereign or non-sovereign issuer located in a country (excluding the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Netherlands Antilles, and the Channel Islands):

(i) that is in Latin America, Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, or the Caribbean, or

(ii) the long-term foreign currency debt obligations of which are rated below "Aa2" or "Aa2" and on credit watch with negative implications by Moody's or the foreign currency issuer credit rating of which is below "AA" by S&P.

**"ERISA"**: The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended.

**"Established Securities Market"**: Any national securities exchange registered under Section 6 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or exempted from registration because of the limited volume of transaction; any foreign securities exchange that, under the laws of the jurisdiction where it is organized, satisfies regulatory requirements that are analogous to the regulatory requirements imposed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; any regional or local exchange; and any interdealer quotation system that regularly disseminates firm buy or sell quotations by identified brokers or dealers, by electronic means or otherwise.

**"Euroclear"**: Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear system.

**"Event of Default"**: The meaning specified in Section 5.1.

**"Excel Default Model Input File"**: An electronic spreadsheet file in Microsoft excel format to be provided to S&P, which file shall include the balance of Cash and Eligible Investments in each account and the following information (to the extent such information is not confidential) with respect to each Collateral Obligation:

(a) the name and country of domicile of the issuer thereof and the particular obligation or security held by the Issuer,

(b) the CUSIP or other applicable identification number associated with such Collateral Obligation,

(c) the par value of such Collateral Obligation,

(d) the type of obligation or security (including, by way of example, whether such Collateral Obligation is a bond, loan or asset-backed security), using such abbreviations as may be selected by the Trustee,

(e) a description of the index or other applicable benchmark upon which the interest payable on such Collateral Obligation is based (including, by way of example, fixed rate, step-up rate, zero coupon and LIBOR),

(f) the coupon (in the case of a Collateral Obligation which bears interest at a fixed rate) or the spread over the applicable index (in the case of a Collateral Obligation which bears interest at a floating rate),

(g) the S&P Industry Classification for such Collateral Obligation,

(h) the stated maturity date of such Collateral Obligation,

(i) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation or the issuer thereof, as applicable,

(j) the applicable S&P Priority Category, and

(k) such other information as the Trustee may determine to include in such file.

**"Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations"**: The Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations in excess of 7.5% of the Maximum Amount on the relevant Determination Date.

**"Exchange Act"**: The United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

**"Excluded Property"**: (i) U.S.\$250 (attributable to the issue and allotment of the Issuer Ordinary Shares) and a U.S.\$250 transaction fee paid to the Issuer, the bank account in which those amounts are credited in the Cayman Islands and any interest earned on those amounts, (ii) any amounts credited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account from time to time and (iii) any Margin Stock.

**"Expense Reimbursement Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(c).

**"Extended Replacement Period End Date"**: If an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Replacement Period End Date (or, in the case of the first Extension pursuant to Section 2.4, the Payment Date in November 2017); provided that the "Extended Replacement Period End Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November, 2029.

**"Extended Scheduled Holding Preference Shares Redemption Date"**: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Scheduled Holding Preference Shares Redemption Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Scheduled Holding Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Payment Date in November 2025) ; provided that the "Extended Scheduled Holding Preference Shares Redemption Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November 2037 .

**"Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date"**: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Payment Date in November 2025); provided that the "Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November 2037.

**"Extended Stated Maturity Date"**: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Stated Maturity Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Payment Date in November 2025); provided that the "Extended Stated Maturity Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November, 2037.

**"Extended Weighted Average Life Date"**: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Weighted Average Life Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Weighted Average Life Date, May 1, 2021); provided that the "Extended Weighted Average Life Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in May 2033.

**"Extension"**: An extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test pursuant to Section 2.4.

**"Extension Bonus Payment"**: With respect to each Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable beneficial owner set forth in Section 2.4(g), in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Class A-1a Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class A-1b Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (3) in the case of the Class A-2 Notes 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (4) in the case of the Class B Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (5) in the case of the Class C Notes, 0.50% of the Aggregate Outstanding amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date and (6) in the case of the Class D Notes, 0.50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

**"Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification"**: With respect to each Maturity Extension and each beneficial owner of Notes other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such beneficial owner acceptable to the Issuer to the effect that it held Notes other than Extension Sale Securities on the applicable Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof in the case of the Notes and wire transfer instructions for the Extension Bonus Payment and any required documentation thereunder.

**"Extension Conditions":** The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Determination Date":** The 8<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to each Extension Effective Date.

**"Extension Effective Date":** If an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extension Effective Date (or, in the case of the first Extension Effective Date, the Payment Date in August 2011).

**"Extension Notice":** The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Purchase Price":** The purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with each Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the applicable Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares and the Holding Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be, since the Closing Date would cause such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); provided, however, that if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, shall be zero.

**"Extension Qualifying Purchasers":** The Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); provided that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Extension Sale Securities from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.4(c), "Extension Qualifying Purchasers" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser, the Investors Corp. Initial Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; provided, however, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, the Investors Corp. Initial Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

**"Extension Sale Notice":** The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Sale Notice Period":** The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Sale Securities":** The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Face Amount":** With respect to any Preference Share or Holding Preference Share, the amount set forth therein as the "face amount" thereof, which "face amount" shall be \$1,000 per Preference Share or Holding Preference Share.

**"Finance Lease":** A lease agreement or other agreement entered into in connection with and evidencing a Leasing Finance Transaction.

**"Financial Asset":** The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(9) of the UCC.



**"Financing Statements"**: Financing statements relating to the Collateral naming the Issuer as debtor and the Trustee on behalf of the Secured Parties as secured party.

**"Fixed Amount"**: With respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser and each applicable Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period, the product of (i) the applicable Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Amount with respect to such CDS/TRS Purchaser, (ii) the applicable Fixed Rate with respect to such CDS/TRS Purchaser and (iii) a fraction the numerator of which is the actual number of days in such Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period and the denominator of which is 360.

**"Fixed Rate"**: With respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser, the spread over LIBOR of the Class of Notes held by such CDS/TRS Purchaser with respect to which such CDS/TRS Purchaser has entered into a credit default swap or a total return swap, as the case may be.

**"Fixed Rate Excess"**: As of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose numerator is the product of:

- (i) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date over the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, and
- (ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date,

and whose denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Fixed Rate Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Spread Excess were equal to zero.

**"Fixed Rate Obligation"**: Any Collateral Obligation that bears interest at a fixed rate.

**"Fixed Rate Payer Calculation Amount"**: With respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser for purposes of calculating the applicable CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes held by such CDS/TRS Purchaser as of the date of purchase of such Notes in an Amendment Buy-Out (in each case, after giving effect to any principal amounts paid to such CDS/TRS Purchaser on such date).

**"Fixed Rate Payer Calculation Period"**: With respect to any CDS/TRS Purchaser for purposes of calculating the applicable CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount, initially, the period from and including the date of purchase of such Notes in an Amendment Buy-Out to but excluding the immediately succeeding Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date; provided that the last Fixed Rate Payer Calculation Period shall end on the November 2010 Payment Date.

**"Floating Rate Notes"**: The Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**"Floating Rate Obligation"**: Any Collateral Obligation that bears interest based on a floating rate index.

**"Form-Approved Synthetic Security":** A Synthetic Security

(i) (A) each of the Reference Obligations of which satisfy the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and could be purchased by the Issuer without any required action by the Rating Agencies, without satisfaction of the Rating Condition or which the Rating Agencies have otherwise approved; or

(B) each of the Reference Obligations of which would satisfy clause (A) above but for the currency in which the Reference Obligation is payable and the Synthetic Security is payable in Dollars, does not provide for physical settlement, and does not expose the Issuer to Dollar currency risk;

(ii) the Synthetic Security Agreement of which conforms (but for the amount and timing of periodic payments, the name of the Reference Obligation, the notional amount, the effective date, the termination date, and other similar necessary changes) to a form that has been expressly identified and approved in writing in connection with a request under this Indenture by Moody's and S&P;

(iii) a copy of the Synthetic Security Agreement of which has been delivered to the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes by the Trustee at the expense of the Co-Issuers and upon being furnished with a copy of the same by the Servicer; and

(iv) that is with a counterparty with respect to which the Rating Condition has been satisfied by each of Moody's and S&P prior to the acquisition of any such Form-Approved Synthetic Security, and such approval has not been withdrawn.

Moody's or S&P may at any time, by notice to the Servicer, withdraw its approval of any such form. A withdrawal of approval shall have no effect on any Synthetic Security acquired, entered into, or committed to before the date on which the Servicer receives the notice of withdrawal.

**"FSA":** The meaning specified in Section 14.3(d).

**"Funded Amount":** With respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan at any time, the aggregate principal amount of advances or other extensions of credit made thereunder by the Issuer that are outstanding and have not been repaid at such time.

**"GAAP":** The meaning specified in Section 6.3(j).

**"Global Notes":** Any Regulation S Global Notes or Rule 144A Global Notes.

**"Grant":** To grant, bargain, sell, warrant, alienate, remise, demise, release, convey, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge, create, and grant a security interest in and right of setoff against, deposit, set over, and confirm. A Grant of the Pledged Obligations, or of any other instrument, shall include all rights, powers, and options of the granting party thereunder, including the immediate continuing right to claim for, collect, receive, and receipt for principal and interest payments in respect of the Pledged Obligations, and all other monies payable thereunder, to give and receive notices and other communications, to make waivers or other agreements, to exercise all rights and options, to bring Proceedings in the name of the granting party or otherwise, and generally to do and receive anything that the granting party is or may be entitled to do or receive thereunder or with respect thereto.

**"Hedge Agreements"**: Collectively, all interest rate cap or interest rate swap agreements between the Issuer and any Hedge Counterparty, and any replacement agreement entered into pursuant to Section 15.2.

**"Hedge Counterparty"**: Rabobank International, Utrecht ("Rabobank") or any other counterparty, to the extent that when the Issuer enters into any Hedge Agreement with Rabobank or the other counterparty, Rabobank or the other counterparty satisfies the requirements of Section 15.2(b) (subject, in the case of any other counterparty, to satisfaction of the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency).

**"Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(d).

**"Hedge Termination Receipt"**: Any termination payment paid by the Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer upon any early termination of a Hedge Agreement with respect to which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**"HFP"**: Highland Financial Partners, L.P., an Affiliate of the Servicer.

**"High-Yield Bond"**: Any debt security, other than a Loan or a Structured Finance Obligation, that is either Registered or, if not Registered, (i) it is issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States, (ii) the payments on it are not subject to United States withholding tax and (iii) it is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**"Holder"**: Of any Note, the person whose name appears on the Indenture Register as the registered holder of the Note; of any Preference Share, the person whose name appears in the Preference Share register related thereto as the registered holder of such Preference Share; and of any Holding Preference Share, the person whose name appears in the Holding Preference Share register related thereto as the registered holder of such Holding Preference Share.

**"Holding Preference Share Documents"**: Investors Corp.'s memorandum and articles of association, the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the resolutions of Investors Corp.'s board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Holding Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

**"Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return"**: With respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the "XIRR" function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for each distribution made to the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date, assuming all Holding Preference Shares are purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount.

**"Holding Preference Shares"**: Preference shares issued by Investors Corp. pursuant to the Holding Preference Share Documents.

**"Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement"**: The Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, by and between Investors Corp. and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

**"Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent"**: Investors Bank & Trust Company, in its capacity as holding preference shares paying agent under the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the holding preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter "Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent" shall mean such successor Person.

**"Holding Share Registrar"**: Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited or any successor thereto.

**"Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice"**: A notice substantially in the form of Exhibit H-2.

**"Indenture"**: This instrument as originally executed and, if from time to time supplemented or amended by one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture entered into pursuant to this Indenture, as so supplemented or amended.

**"Indenture Register"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.6(a).

**"Indenture Registrar"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.6(a).

**"Independent"**: As to any person, any other person (including, in the case of an accountant or lawyer, a firm of accountants or lawyers, and any member of the firm, or an investment bank and any member of the bank) who

(i) does not have and is not committed to acquire any material direct or any material indirect financial interest in the person or in any Affiliate of the person, and

(ii) is not connected with the person as an Officer, employee, promoter, underwriter, voting trustee, partner, director, or person performing similar functions.

"Independent" when used with respect to any accountant may include an accountant who audits the books of the person if in addition to satisfying the criteria above the accountant is independent with respect to the person within the meaning of Rule 101 of the Code of Ethics of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

Whenever any Independent person's opinion or certificate is to be furnished to the Trustee, the opinion or certificate shall state that the signer has read this definition and that the signer is Independent within the meaning of this Indenture.

**"Initial Consent Period"**: The period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee mailed notice of a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2(b) to the Holders of Securities.

**"Initial Purchaser"**: Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC.

**"Initial Rating"**: The ratings by Moody's and S&P with respect to each Class of Notes provided in the table in Section 2.3(a).

**"Insolvency Event"**: With respect to any person, means that:

(i) an involuntary proceeding shall be commenced or an involuntary petition shall be filed seeking:

(A) liquidation, reorganization, or other relief in respect of the person or its debts, or of all or substantially all of its assets, under any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar law now or hereafter in effect, or

(B) the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, conservator, or similar official for the person or for all or substantially all of its assets,

and, in any such case, the proceeding or petition shall continue undismissed for 30 days; or an order or decree approving or ordering any of the foregoing shall be entered, or

(ii) the person shall:

(A) voluntarily commence any proceeding or file any petition seeking liquidation, reorganization, or other relief under any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar law now or hereafter in effect,

(B) consent to the institution of, or fail to contest in a timely and appropriate manner, any proceeding or petition described in clause (i) above,

(C) apply for or consent to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, or conservator or for all or substantially all of its assets,

(D) file an answer admitting the material allegations of a petition filed against it in any such proceeding, or

(E) make a general assignment for the benefit of creditors.

**"Insolvency Proceeding"**: The meaning specified in Section 16.4(b).

**"Instrument"**: The meaning specified in Section 9-102(a)(47) of the UCC.

**"Interest Coverage Ratio"**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by dividing:

(i) the sum of:

(A) the Interest Proceeds received or scheduled to be received with respect to the Due Period in which the Measurement Date occurs, minus

(B) amounts payable under clauses (1), (2), (3) and (4) of Section 11.1(a)(i) on the related Payment Date, by:

(ii) all accrued and unpaid interest on the specified Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to the Class, including any Deferred Interest on the related Payment Date.

For purposes of the Interest Coverage Ratio, only the amount of any interest payment (including any "gross up" payment) on any Collateral Obligation in excess of any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction on any date of determination shall be included in Interest Proceeds.

**"Interest Coverage Test":** A test the first Measurement Date for which will be on the second Payment Date and that is satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level in the table below for the specified Class:

<u>Test</u>	<u>Required Level</u>
Class A Interest Coverage Test	130.0%
Class B Interest Coverage Test	120.0%
Class C Interest Coverage Test	110.0%
Class D Interest Coverage Test	105.0%

**"Interest Period":** Initially, the period from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the first Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date.

**"Interest Proceeds":** With respect to any Due Period, the sum (without duplication) of all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period (or as otherwise specified below) by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are:

(i) payments of interest, fees, and commissions (excluding (A) Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal, (B) interest and dividends on Workout Assets, (C) fees and commissions from Defaulted Collateral Obligations, and (D) syndication and other up-front fees and any up-front fixed payments received in connection with entering into a Synthetic Security);

(ii) any portion of the Sale Proceeds of a Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) representing Accrued Interest On Sale;

(iii) all payments of principal on, or disposition proceeds from the sale of, Eligible Investments to the extent purchased with Interest Proceeds;

(iv) payments with respect to the Hedge Agreements received on or before the related Payment Date (other than any amount payable thereunder because of any early termination or notional amount reduction), but not any Sale Proceeds from any of these instruments (except to the extent that they were purchased with Interest Proceeds);

(v) all fees received pursuant to any Securities Lending Agreements;

(vi) amounts in the Collection Account designated for distribution as Interest Proceeds pursuant to the Priority of Payments (including any amount transferred from the Interest Reserve Account);

(vii) all earnings on amounts in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account and the Revolving Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.3(b);

(viii) amounts in the Expense Reimbursement Account on the Payment Date for the relevant Due Period; and

(ix) any recoveries (including interest) received on a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in excess of the principal balance of such Defaulted Collateral Obligation (as of the date the related Collateral Obligation became a Defaulted Collateral Obligation).

Interest Proceeds shall not include the Excluded Property and Interest Proceeds shall not include earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

Each reference in the definition of "Interest Proceeds" to a Collateral Obligation shall include a Collateral Obligation that has been loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and Interest Proceeds shall include any amounts referred to in clauses (i) through (iii) above received by the Issuer in respect of the Collateral Obligation indirectly from the related Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement.

With respect to any Payment Date, Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Interest Proceeds due and payable on such Payment Date to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date that are distributed to such Holders by way of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of Cash pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(i) will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds.

**"Interest Reserve Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(i).

**"Investment Company Act"**: The United States Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

**"Investors Corp."**: Grayson Investors Corp., an exempted limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands.

**"Investors Corp. Share Purchase Agreement"**: a share purchase agreement dated October 17, 2006 among Investors Corp. and the Investors Corp. Initial Purchaser relating to the purchase of the Purchased Shares, as modified, amended and supplement and in effect from time to time.

**"Investors Corp. Initial Purchaser"**: Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC.

**"Investors Corp. Subscription Agreement"**: A subscription agreement dated October, 17, 2006 among Investors Corp. and the Issuer relating to the purchase of the Class I Preference Shares by Investors Corp.

**"Irish Paying Agent"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.2.

**"Issuer"**: The Person named as such on the first page of this Indenture.

**"Issuer Accounts"**: The meaning assigned in the Granting Clauses.

**"Issuer Order"** and **"Issuer Request"**: A written order or request dated and signed in the name of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp. by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp., as applicable, or by the Servicer by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

**"Issuer Ordinary Shares"**: The ordinary shares, par value \$1.00 per share, of the Issuer which have been issued by the Issuer and are outstanding from time to time.

**"Junior Class":** With respect to a particular Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that is subordinated to that Class, as indicated in Section 13.1.

**"Leasing Finance Transaction":** Any transaction pursuant to which the obligations of the lessee to pay rent or other amounts on a triple net basis under any lease of (or other arrangement conveying the right to use) real or personal property, or a combination thereof, are required to be classified and accounted for as a capital lease on a balance sheet of such lessee under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America; but only if (a) such lease or other transaction provides for the unconditional obligation of the lessee to pay a stated amount of principal no later than a stated maturity date, together with interest thereon, and the payment of such obligation is not subject to any material non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer, (b) the obligations of the lessee in respect of such lease or other transaction are fully secured, directly or indirectly, by the property that is the subject of such lease and (c) the interest held by the Issuer in respect of such lease or other transaction is treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

**"LIBOR":** The offered rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent for any Interest Period, for three month Dollar deposits that appears on Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News (or a page that replaces Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), as of 11:00 A.M. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period.

If, on the second Business Day before the first day of any relevant Interest Period, that rate does not appear on Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Market Commodities News (or a page that replaces Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), the Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks to prime banks in the London interbank market for three month Dollar deposits in Europe, by reference to requests by the Calculation Agent to four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) (the "**Reference Banks**") for quotations as of approximately 11:00 A.M. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the Interest Period. If at least two of the Reference Banks provide quotations as requested, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean. If fewer than two Reference Banks provide quotations, LIBOR shall be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that one or more leading banks in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) are quoting to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period for three month Dollar deposits.

If the Calculation Agent is unable to determine a rate in accordance with any of the above procedures, LIBOR for the Interest Period shall be calculated on the last day of the Interest Period and shall be the arithmetic mean of the rate of interest for each day during the Interest Period determined by the Calculation Agent as being the rate of interest most recently announced by the Bank at its New York office as its base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans (or if the Bank ceases to exist or is not quoting a base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans, another major money center commercial bank in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer)).

For the first Interest Period and, unless the Maturity Extension occurs, the last Interest Period, LIBOR shall be determined based on the actual number of days in the Interest Period using straight-line interpolation of two rates calculated in accordance with the above procedure, except that instead of using three month deposits, one rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next shorter than the Interest Period and the other rate shall be determined using



the period for which rates are obtainable next longer than the Interest Period. All calculations shall be calculated to at least four decimal places and rounded to four decimal places.

**"Loan":** Any interest in a fully committed, senior secured, unsecured, or revolving loan (including loans involving credit linked deposits) that is acquired by assignment or by Participation (including any DIP Loan) that is either:

- (i) Registered, or
- (ii) issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States:
  - (A) whose payments are not subject to United States withholding tax; and
  - (B) that is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**"Long-Dated Collateral Obligation":** Any Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturity of the Notes other than a Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturities of the Notes that includes a "put" option to its obligor at a price of at least par payable on or before the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

**"Majority":** With respect to any Class or group of Notes or the Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**"Margin Stock":** "Margin Stock" as defined under Regulation U issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, including any debt security that is by its terms convertible into Margin Stock, but does not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation received pursuant to an offer by an issuer of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**"Market Value":** As of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) based upon the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the lower of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the bid-side prices for the purchase of the Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer).

If a Market Value of any Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined in accordance with the procedures set out in the preceding paragraph for a period of 30 consecutive days then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero; provided that, during such 30 day period, such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the lower of (i) the product of (x) the Principal Balance of such Collateral Obligation multiplied by (y) 1.25 multiplied by (z) the applicable S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate and (ii) the current market value of such Collateral Obligation as determined by the Servicer in its commercially reasonable judgment; provided, further, that the maximum amount of Collateral Obligations having a Market

Value assigned pursuant to the immediately preceding proviso shall be limited to 5.0% of the Maximum Amount (and any amount in excess of 5.0% of the Maximum Amount shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero). For the avoidance of doubt, the procedures set out in this paragraph shall not apply to determinations of Market Value of any Eligible Equity Securities.

The Servicer is under no obligation to determine the Market Value of the Collateral Obligations other than as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or this Indenture or to comply with any of its duties as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or in this Indenture.

**"Market Value Determination Date"**: With respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities, one Business Day prior to the date of the notice distributed by the Issuer to the Holders of the Preference Shares in connection with such distribution.

**"Market Value Percentage"**: For any Collateral Obligation, the ratio obtained by dividing:

- (i) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation, *by*
- (ii) the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Maturity"**: With respect to any Note, the date on which the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable as provided in the Note or this Indenture, whether at the Stated Maturity or by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise.

**"Maturity Extension"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Maximum Amount"**: An amount equal to:

- (i) on any Measurement Date during the Ramp-Up Period, U.S.\$1,471,900,000; and
- (ii) on any Measurement Date after the Ramp-Up Completion Date:
  - (A) the aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations plus the aggregate outstanding principal amount of any Defaulted Collateral Obligations, *plus*
  - (B) Cash representing Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account, *plus*
  - (C) Eligible Investments (other than Cash) purchased by the Issuer with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account.

**"Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor"**: As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the sum of (i) the number set forth in the column entitled "Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable) plus (ii) the Recovery Rate Modifier.

**"Measurement Date"**: Any date:

- (i) on which the Issuer commits to acquire or dispose of any Collateral Obligation;
- (ii) on which a Collateral Obligation becomes a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;

- (iii) that is a Determination Date;
- (iv) that is the Ramp-Up Completion Date;
- (v) that is the date as of which the information in a Monthly Report is calculated pursuant to Section 10.6; and,

with respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities only,

- (vi) that is a Market Value Determination Date.

**"Memorandum and Articles of Association"**: The memorandum and articles of association of the Issuer, as amended and restated before the Closing Date or in accordance with this Indenture.

**"Merging Entity"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.10.

**"Minimum Diversity Score"**: As of any Measurement Date, a score equal to the number set forth in the column entitled "Minimum Diversity Score" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**"Minimum Weighted Average Spread"**: As of any Measurement Date, the spread equal to the percentage set forth in the row entitled "Minimum Weighted Average Spread" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**"Monthly Determination Date"**: The meaning specified in Section 10.6(a).

**"Monthly Report"**: The meaning specified in Section 10.6(a).

**"Moody's"**: Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

**"Moody's Default Probability Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Moody's Group I Country"**: Any of the following countries: Australia, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group I Country.

**"Moody's Group II Country"**: Any of the following countries: Germany, Ireland, Sweden, Switzerland and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group II Country.

**"Moody's Group III Country"**: Any of the following countries: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, Spain and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group III Country.

**"Moody's Industry Classification"**: The industry classifications in Schedule 2 as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by Moody's.

**"Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate"**: As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the number obtained by

(i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate,

(ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations, and

(iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

**"Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan"**: Any Loan that is not a Moody's Senior Secured Loan.

**"Moody's Obligation Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Moody's Priority Category"**: Each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" as a "Moody's Priority Category."

**"Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate"**: For any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" opposite the Moody's Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Moody's Rating Factor"**: The number in the table below opposite the rating of the Collateral Obligation (excluding Synthetic Securities where an Assigned Moody's Rating is not available).

<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>	<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>
Aaa	1	Ba1	940
Aa1	10	Ba2	1350
Aa2	20	Ba3	1766
Aa3	40	B1	2220
A1	70	B2	2720
A2	120	B3	3490
A3	180	Caa1	4770
Baa1	260	Caa2	6500
Baa2	360	Caa3	8070
Baa3	610	Ca or lower	10000

The Moody's Rating Factor for Collateral Obligations that are Synthetic Securities shall be determined by Moody's and obtained by the Issuer or the Servicer on a case-by-case basis, unless there is an Assigned Moody's Rating available for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, in which case such Assigned Moody's Rating shall be used to compute the Moody's Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security.

The Moody's Rating Factor for any Collateral Obligation that is a Structured Finance Security shall be equal to:  $\frac{A \times 55\%}{1 - B}$ ,

where: "A" means the number determined with respect to such Collateral Obligation pursuant to the table above; and

"B" means the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Senior Secured Loan":**

(a) a Loan that:

(i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan,

(ii) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan, and

(iii) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal seniority secured by a first lien or security interest in the same collateral, or

(b) a Loan that:

(i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan, other than, with respect to a Loan described in clause (a) above, with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such loan,

(ii) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan,

(iii) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by a first or second lien or security interest in the same collateral, and

(iv) has been assigned a Moody's Obligation Rating equal to or higher than the applicable Moody's Default Probability Rating, and

(c) the Loan is not: (i) a DIP Loan, (ii) a Loan for which the security interest or lien (or the validity or effectiveness thereof) in substantially all of its collateral attaches, becomes effective, or otherwise "springs" into existence after the origination thereof, or (iii) a type of loan that Moody's has identified as having unusual terms and with respect to which its Moody's Recovery Rate has been or is to be determined on a case-by-case basis.

**"Multiple Class Holder"** Any Holder of Securities or, in the case of Notes represented by Global Notes, beneficial owner thereof that holds or has a beneficial interest in more than one Class of Securities (including for this purpose any interest in Holding Preference Shares as an interest in Preference Shares).

**"Non-Call Period"**: The period from the Closing Date to but not including the Payment Date in November, 2010.

**"Non-Consenting Holder"**: With respect to any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, any Holder or, in the case of Securities represented by Global Notes, any beneficial owner, that either (i) has delivered to the Trustee a written notice that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) had not consented to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

**"Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder"**: With respect to any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, any Holder of Holding Preference Shares that either (i) has directed Investors Corp. not to consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) has not provided Investors Corp. with any direction with respect to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

**"Non-Performing Collateral Obligation"**: Any Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any PIK Security as to which its issuer or obligor has previously deferred or capitalized any interest due on it and all the interest so deferred or capitalized has not subsequently been paid in full in cash by:

(i) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above, the earlier of its second payment date or one year following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it, or

(ii) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "Baa3," or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "BBB-," the earlier of its first payment date or six months following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it.

**"Non-Permitted Holder"**: (a) With respect to the Global Notes, a Holder or beneficial owner of an interest in a Global Note that is a U.S. person and (i) not a QIB/QP and that becomes the beneficial owner of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note or (ii) does not have an exemption available under the Securities Act and (b) with respect to the Class D Notes, a Holder or beneficial owner of an interest in a Class D Note that is not a QIB/QP.

**"Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor"**: The meaning specified in the second paragraph of Section 2.6(c).

**"Non-qualifying Collateral Obligation"**: The meaning specified in Section 12.1(d).

**"Note Break-Even Loss Rate"**: With respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the maximum percentage of defaults that the Current Portfolio or Proposed Portfolio can sustain and nevertheless sufficient funds will remain for the payment of principal of the Class of Notes in full by its Stated Maturity and the timely payment of interest on the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes and the Class A-2 Notes and the ultimate payment of interest on the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes using S&P's assumptions on recoveries, defaults, and timing, and taking into account the Priority of Payments and the adjusted Weighted Average Spread level specified in the applicable row of the table below. The adjusted Weighted Average Spread as of any

Measurement Date is the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date minus the amount of any Spread Excess added to the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon as of the Measurement Date.

Row	Adjusted Weighted Average Spread
1	Greater than or equal to 3.05%
2	Greater than or equal to 2.95% but less than 3.05%
3	Greater than or equal to 2.85% but less than 2.95%
4	Greater than or equal to 2.75% but less than 2.85%
5	Greater than or equal to 2.65% but less than 2.75%
6	Greater than or equal to 2.55% but less than 2.65%
7	Greater than or equal to 2.45% but less than 2.55%
8	Greater than or equal to 2.35% but less than 2.45%
9	Greater than or equal to 2.25% but less than 2.35%

**"Note Class Loss Differential"**: With respect to any Measurement Date and any Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the rate calculated by subtracting the Class Scenario Loss Rate for the Class from the then-applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate for the Class of Notes.

**"Noteholder"**: A Holder of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes.

**"Note Interest Rate"**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate payable on the Notes of the Class with respect to each Interest Period equal to LIBOR for Eurodollar deposits for the applicable Interest Period plus the spread specified in the "Interest Rate" rows of the tables in Section 2.3 with respect to such Notes except in the first Interest Period.

**"Note Payment Sequence"**: The application of funds in the following order:

- (1) to the Class A-1a Notes until the Class A-1a Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (2) to the Class A-1b Notes until the Class A-1b Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (3) to the Class A-2 Notes until the Class A-2 Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (4) to the Class B Notes until the Class B Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (5) to the Class C Notes until the Class C Notes have been fully redeemed; and
- (6) to the Class D Notes until the Class D Notes have been fully redeemed.

**"Note Purchase Agreement"**: A note purchase agreement dated October 17, 2006 among the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchaser, relating to the Purchased Notes, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Notes"**: The Senior Notes and the Class D Notes authorized by, and authenticated and delivered under, this Indenture or any supplemental indenture.

**"Notice of Refinancing"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

**"Objection Cut-Off Date"**: The meaning specified in Section 15.1(h)(ii).

**"Offer"**: The meaning specified in Section 10.7(c).

**"Offering"**: The offering of the Notes.

**"Offering Memorandum"**: The final offering memorandum, dated November 28, 2006, prepared and delivered in connection with the offer and sale of the Securities.

**"Officer"**: With respect to the Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to the Co-Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to any partnership, any of its general partners; and with respect to the Trustee, any Trust Officer.

**"Opinion of Counsel"**: A written opinion addressed to the Trustee and each Rating Agency, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and each Rating Agency, of an attorney at law (or law firm with one or more partners) reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and admitted to practice before the highest court of any state of the United States or the District of Columbia (or the Cayman Islands, in the case of an opinion relating to the laws of the Cayman Islands), which attorney (or law firm) may, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, be counsel for the Servicer, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. Whenever an Opinion of Counsel is required under this Indenture, the Opinion of Counsel may rely on opinions of other counsel who are so admitted and so satisfactory, which opinions of other counsel shall accompany the Opinion of Counsel and shall either be addressed to the Trustee and each Rating Agency or shall state that the Trustee and each Rating Agency may rely on it. An Opinion of Counsel may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion.

**"Optional Redemption"**: A redemption of the Notes in accordance with Section 9.2.

**"Original Administrator"**: Maples Finance Limited.

**"Other Indebtedness"**: The meaning specified in the definition of "Defaulted Collateral Obligation."

**"Outstanding"**: With respect to:

(a) the Notes or any specified Class, as of any date of determination, all of the Notes or all of the Notes of the specified Class, as the case may be, theretofore authenticated and delivered under this Indenture, except with respect to Notes:



- (i) Notes canceled by the Indenture Registrar or delivered to the Indenture Registrar for cancellation;
  - (ii) Notes for whose payment or redemption funds in the necessary amount have been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for their Holders pursuant to Section 4.1(a)(ii) and if the Notes are to be redeemed, notice of redemption has been duly given pursuant to this Indenture;
  - (iii) Notes in exchange for or in lieu of which other Notes have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to this Indenture; and
  - (iv) Notes alleged to have been destroyed, lost, or stolen for which replacement Notes have been issued as provided in Section 2.7, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Notes are held by a protected purchaser;
- (b) the Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Preference Share Documents and listed in the Preference Share register of the Issuer as outstanding;
  - (c) the Holding Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Holding Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Holding Preference Share Documents and listed in the Holding Preference Share register of Investors Corp. as outstanding;

provided that, in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Transaction Securities have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver under the Transaction Documents, Transaction Securities owned or beneficially owned by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, any Affiliate of either of them and, with respect to any matter affecting its status as Servicer or appointment of a replacement Servicer or relating to an acceleration of any Class of Notes if the effect of the Servicer's action or inaction as a Holder of Transaction Securities would effectively prevent acceleration, the Servicer, its Affiliates and any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (other than, with respect to Notes or Class II Preference Shares, HFP or any of its subsidiaries; provided that, with respect to the voting authority of Notes or Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) shall be disregarded and not be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver, only Securities that a Trust Officer of the Trustee (or with respect to the Preference Shares and Holding Preference Shares, only Preference Shares and Holding Preference Shares that an authorized officer of the Preference Shares Paying Agent or Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable) has actual knowledge to be so owned or beneficially owned shall be so disregarded. Transaction Securities so owned or beneficially owned that have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, the pledgee's right so to act with respect to the Transaction Securities and that the pledgee is independent from the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent.

**"Overcollateralization Ratio"**: With respect to any Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by *dividing*:

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator; by
- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it (excluding any Deferred Interest on the Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it).

**"Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator"**: On any date, the sum of:

- (1) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (other than any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, any Deep Discount Obligations, and any Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an "event of default" (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing); *plus*
- (2) unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal (excluding any unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal in respect of Non-Performing Collateral Obligations); *plus*
- (3) the Aggregate Principal Balance of any Eligible Investments that were purchased with Principal Proceeds and the amount of Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
- (4) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Eligible Investments on deposit in a Securities Lending Account that relate to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an "event of default" (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing; *plus*
- (5) with respect Collateral Obligation that are Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, Deep Discount Obligations or Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, the amount determined by using one of the following methods applicable to such type of Collateral Obligation; provided that if a Collateral Obligation falls within more than one of such types, the Issuer will be required to use the method that results in the smallest amount:
  - (A) with respect to any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, an amount equal to the product of (i) the lower of (1) 70% and (2) the CCC+/Caa1 Excess Market Value Percentage, multiplied by (ii) the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations;
  - (B) with respect to any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, the aggregate of the Applicable Collateral Obligation Amounts for all included Non-Performing Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations that have been held by the Issuer for more than three years, which shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this clause (B)); and
  - (C) with respect to any Deep Discount Obligations, the Aggregate Purchase Price Amount for all Deep Discount Obligations.

As used in this definition, "**Applicable Collateral Obligation Amount**" for any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation means:

- (a) the lesser of:
  - (x) the Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation; and

(y) the Applicable Percentage for the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation;

multiplied by:

(b) if the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation is:

(1) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (2) through (4) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;

(2) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;

(3) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and

(4) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

As used in the calculation of Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation, the Principal Balance of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall be, if the Defaulted Collateral Obligation is:

(i) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (ii) through (iv) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;

(ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;

(iii) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and

(iv) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

**"Overcollateralization Test":** A test that is satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes if, as of any Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the required level for the specified Class indicated in the table below:

<u>Test</u>	<u>Required Level</u>
Class A Overcollateralization Test	110.0%
Class B Overcollateralization Test	105.0%
Class C Overcollateralization Test	103.0%
Class D Overcollateralization Test	102.2%

**"Participating Institution"**: An institution that creates a participation interest and that has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" (and if so rated by Moody's such rating is not on watch for possible downgrade) and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A".

**"Participation"**: A Loan acquired as a participation interest created by a Participating Institution.

**"Paying Agent"**: Any Person authorized by the Issuer to pay the principal of or interest on any Notes on behalf of the Issuer as specified in Section 7.2.

**"Payment Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(h).

**"Payment Date"**: The first day of February, May, August and November in each year, commencing in May, 2007 or, if any such day is not a Business Day, the next following Business Day, any other date on which the Notes are redeemed or paid before their Stated Maturity, and at the Stated Maturity for the Notes.

**"Permitted Offer"**: An Offer pursuant to which the offeror offers to acquire a debt obligation (including a Collateral Obligation) in exchange solely for cash in an amount equal to or greater than the full face amount of the debt obligation plus any accrued and unpaid interest and as to which the Servicer has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the offeror has sufficient access to financing to consummate the Offer.

**"Person"**: An individual, corporation (including a business trust), partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust (including any beneficiary thereof), unincorporated association or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

**"PIK Cash-Pay Interest"**: As to any PIK Security, the portion of interest required to be paid in cash (and not permitted to be added to the balance of such PIK Security or otherwise deferred and accrued) thereon pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments.

**"PIK Security"**: Any loan or debt obligation on which any portion of the interest accrued for a specified period of time or until the maturity thereof is, or at the option of the obligor may be, added to the principal balance of such loan or debt obligation or otherwise deferred rather than being paid in cash, provided that such loan or debt obligation shall not be a PIK Security if the portion, if any, of such interest required pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments to be paid in Cash would result in the outstanding principal amount of such loan or debt obligation having an effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest at least equal to (i) if such loan or debt obligation is a fixed rate loan or debt obligation, 4% per annum, or (ii) if such loan or debt obligation is a floating rate loan or debt obligation, LIBOR.

**"Plan Asset Regulation"**: The regulation issued by the United States Department of Labor and found at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101.

**"Pledged Obligations"**: As of any date of determination, the Collateral Obligations, the Workout Assets, the Eligible Investments, and any other securities or obligations that have been Granted to the Trustee that form part of the Collateral.

**"Portfolio Improvement Exchange"**: The disposition, during the Replacement Period, of a Collateral Obligation and corresponding acquisition of one or more Collateral Obligations which in the aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Test, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied (or bring the

total portfolio of Collateral Obligations closer to compliance with any such test or limitation) or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith would be improved and (ii) improving, on a net basis, the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test and Concentration Limitations and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased.

**"Pre-Closing Party":** One or more Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser that financed the Issuer's pre-closing acquisition of Collateral Obligations through the purchase of participations therein.

**"Preference Share Distribution Account":** A segregated bank account established by the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deposit all amounts received from the Issuer and payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares under the Priority of Payments.

**"Preference Share Documents":** The Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the resolutions of the Issuer's board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

**"Preference Share Internal Rate of Return":** With respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the "XIRR" function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for the following cash flows, assuming all Preference Shares are purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount:

(i) each distribution of Interest Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date and

(ii) each distribution of Principal Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date.

**"Preference Shares":** The Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares.

**"Preference Shares Notional Amount":** As of the Closing Date, \$127,500,000, thereafter as increased each time additional Preference Shares are issued in accordance with the Preference Share Documents.

**"Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement":** The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, by and between the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

**"Preference Shares Paying Agent":** Investors Bank & Trust Company, in its capacity as Preference Shares Paying Agent under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter "Preference Shares Paying Agent" shall mean such successor Person.

**"Principal Balance"**: With respect to:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those specifically covered in this definition, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Pledged Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest, zero, except as otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture;
- (iv) any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, except as otherwise provided, zero;
- (v) any Collateral Obligation that has been loaned, its Principal Balance shall be reduced by the excess of the amount of collateral required over the actual Market Value of the collateral;
- (vi) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance shall include any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount), except as otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture;
- (vii) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance shall not include any principal amount of the PIK Security representing previously deferred or capitalized interest; and
- (viii) any obligation or security that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, zero.

**"Principal Proceeds"**: With respect to any Due Period, all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are not Interest Proceeds.

Principal Proceeds shall include any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account into the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.2.

Principal Proceeds do not include the Excluded Property or earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

At any time when an "event of default" under a Securities Lending Agreement has occurred and is continuing, any payments received by the Issuer from the related Securities Lending Collateral shall be Principal Proceeds.

**"Priority Class"**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that ranks senior to that Class, as indicated in Section 13.1.

**"Priority of Payments"**: The meaning specified in Section 11.1(a).

**"Proceeding"**: Any suit in equity, action at law, or other judicial or administrative proceeding.

**"Proposed Portfolio"**: As of any Measurement Date, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations and Principal Proceeds held as Cash on deposit in the Collection Account and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account resulting from the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or a proposed purchase of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**"Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance"**: For any Collateral Obligation other than Deep Discount Obligations, its Principal Balance; and for any Deep Discount Obligation its Purchase Price; provided, however, that if any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations exist, the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance for the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations shall be the lower of (i) the weighted average Market Value of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances and (ii) the product of (a) 70% and (b) their respective Principal Balance.

**"Purchase Price"**: With respect to the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (other than any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation), the net purchase price paid by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation. The net purchase price is determined by subtracting from the purchase price the amount of any Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal and any syndication and other upfront fees paid to the Issuer and by adding the amount of any related transaction costs (including assignment fees) paid by the Issuer to the seller of the Collateral Obligation or its agent.

**"Purchase Price Amount"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation on any date of determination, the product of (i) the Purchase Price (stated as a percentage) thereof and (ii) the Principal Balance thereof on such date.

**"Purchased Notes"**: The Notes purchased by the Initial Purchaser pursuant to the Note Purchase Agreement.

**"QIB/QP"**: Any Person that, at the time of its acquisition of Notes is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser.

**"Qualified Equity Security"**: Any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that is stock or evidence of an interest in or a right to buy stock, or any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation but whose acquisition otherwise is a transaction in stocks or securities within the meaning of Section 864(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Code and the regulations under the Code. Qualified Equity Securities do not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation and that will cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in or having income from a United States trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes by virtue of its ownership or disposition of the obligation (without regard to the Issuer's other activities).

**"Qualified Institutional Buyer"**: The meaning specified in Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

**"Qualified Purchaser"**: The meaning specified in Section 2(a)(51) of the Investment Company Act and Rule 2a51-2 under the Investment Company Act (including entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers).

**"Ramp-Up Completion Date"**: The earlier of:

- (i) the Business Day after the 90<sup>th</sup> day after the Closing Date, and
- (ii) the first date on which the following conditions are satisfied:

(x) (A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least \$1,471,900,000 or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer with proceeds from the sale of the Notes (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be) equals at least \$1,471,900,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date); and

(y) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$1,471,900,000.

**"Ramp-Up Period":** The period from and including the Closing Date to and including the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

**"Rating Agency":** Each of Moody's and S&P or, with respect to Pledged Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or S&P ceases to provide rating services with respect to high yield debt securities, any other nationally recognized statistical rating organization selected by the Issuer and reasonably satisfactory to a Majority of each Class of Notes. If at any time Moody's ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of Moody's in this Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used. If at any time S&P ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of S&P in this Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and S&P published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used.

**"Rating Condition":** With respect to any Rating Agency and any action taken or to be taken under this Indenture, a condition that is satisfied when the Rating Agency has confirmed to the Servicer (as agent for the Issuer) in writing that no withdrawal, reduction, suspension, or other adverse action with respect to any then current rating by it (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes will occur as a result of the action. The Rating Condition with respect to any Rating Agency shall be satisfied for all purposes of this Indenture at any time when no Outstanding Notes are rated by it.

**"Rating Confirmation":** Confirmation in writing from each Rating Agency that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes.

**"Rating Confirmation Failure":** (i) a failure by the Issuer or the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) to obtain confirmation in writing from S&P that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn its Initial Rating of any Class of Notes and that it has not placed any Class of Notes on credit watch with negative implications, or (ii) receipt of a written notice from Moody's that it has reduced, suspended, or withdrawn its Initial Rating of any Class of Notes or that it has placed any Class of Notes on credit watch with negative implications, in each case, by the Business Day after the 29th day after the Ramp-Up Completion Date.



**"Ratings Matrix":** The "row/column combination" of the table below selected by the Servicer on the Closing Date to apply initially for purposes of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test. Thereafter, on notice to the Trustee, the Servicer may select a different row of the Ratings Matrix to apply, or may interpolate between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable, on a straight-line basis and round the results to two decimal points.

Minimum Weighted Average Spread	Minimum Diversity Score							
	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90
2.25%	2150	2180	2210	2240	2270	2300	2330	2360
2.35%	2210	2240	2270	2300	2330	2360	2390	2420
2.45%	2270	2300	2330	2360	2390	2420	2450	2480
2.55%	2330	2360	2390	2420	2450	2480	2510	2540
2.65%	2390	2420	2450	2480	2510	2540	2570	2600
2.75%	2450	2480	2510	2540	2570	2600	2630	2660
2.85%	2510	2540	2570	2600	2630	2660	2690	2720
2.95%	2570	2600	2630	2660	2690	2720	2750	2780
3.05%	2620	2660	2690	2720	2750	2780	2810	2840
Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor								

**"Recovery Rate Modifier":** As of any Measurement Date, the lesser of 60 and the product of:

(i) (a) the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate minus the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test (but not less than zero) multiplied by (b) 100; and

(ii) 40.

**"Record Date":** As to any Payment Date, the 15<sup>th</sup> day (whether or not a Business Day) before the Payment Date.

**"Redemption Date":** Any Payment Date specified for an Optional Redemption of Notes pursuant to Section 9.2 or the redemption of a Class of Notes in connection with a Refinancing pursuant to Section 9.7.

**"Redemption Price":** With respect to any Note and any Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) or any redemption by Refinancing pursuant to Section 9.7(a), an amount equal to:

(i) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of the Note being redeemed, plus

(ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest), plus

(iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note, plus

(iv) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

With respect to any Preference Share and any Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b), "Redemption Price" means (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the *pro rata* portion for such Preference Share of the entire remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications pursuant to the Priority of Payments or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case, as specified in Section 9.2(b).

**"Reference Obligation"**: An obligation that would otherwise satisfy the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and on which a Synthetic Security is based; *provided* that no Reference Obligation shall be a Synthetic Security.

**"Refinancing"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

**"Refinancing Date"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

**"Refinancing Notes"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

**"Refinancing Price"**: With respect to any Class of Note that is subject to a Refinancing, an amount equal to the Redemption Price thereof.

**"Refinancing Proceeds"**: The proceeds from any refinancing permitted under this Indenture.

**"Reference Obligor"**: The obligor of a Reference Obligation.

**"Registered"**: With respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment, means that it is issued after July 18, 1984 and is in registered form within the meaning of Section 881(c)(2)(B)(i) of the Code and the United States Department of the Treasury ("Treasury") regulations promulgated thereunder.

**"Registered Office"**: The registered office of the Issuer, which shall be located outside of the United States.

**"Regulation D"**: Regulation D under the Securities Act.

**"Regulation S"**: Regulation S under the Securities Act.

**"Regulation S Global Note"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(b).

**"Relevant Obligation"**: For a Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security, and otherwise the Collateral Obligation.

**"Replacement Hedge"**: A replacement hedge agreement that qualifies to be a Hedge Agreement under this Indenture.

**"Replacement Period"**: The period from the Closing Date through and including the first to occur of:

(i) the Payment Date after the date that the Servicer notifies the Trustee, each Rating Agency, and the Administrator, in the sole discretion of the Servicer, that, in light of the composition of the Collateral, general market conditions, and other factors, the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations within the foreseeable future would either be impractical or not beneficial,

(ii) the Payment Date in November, 2013 or, in the case of an Extension, the Extended Replacement Period End Date,

(iii) the Payment Date on which all Notes are to be optionally redeemed or an earlier date after notice of an Optional Redemption chosen by the Servicer to facilitate the liquidation of the Collateral for the Optional Redemption, and

(iv) the date on which the Replacement Period terminates or is terminated as a result of an Event of Default (subject to Section 5.2(c)).

**"Repository"**: The internet-based password protected electronic repository of transaction documents relating to privately offered and sold collateralized debt obligation securities located at "www.cdolibrary.com" operated by The Bond Market Association.

**"Required Redemption Percentage"**: With respect to (a) any Optional Redemption resulting from a Tax Event, the Holders of at least 66 2/3% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of any Affected Class or at least 66 2/3% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares and (b) any other Optional Redemption, a Majority of the Preference Shares.

**"Required Rating"**: The meaning specified in Section 15.2(b).

**"Retention Overcollateralization Ratio"**: As of any Measurement Date, the ratio obtained by dividing:

(i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator *by*

(ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes, excluding any Deferred Interest on any Class of Notes.

**"Retention Overcollateralization Test"**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date during the Replacement Period on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Retention Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 103.2%.

**"Revolving Loan"**: A Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation (in each case excluding any Delayed Drawdown Loan) that requires the Issuer to make future advances to (or for the account of) the borrower under its Underlying Instruments (including any letter of credit for which the Issuer is required to reimburse the issuing bank for under it). A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Revolving Loan for so long as its Commitment Amount is greater than zero.

**"Revolving Reserve Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(b).

**"Rule 3a-7"**: Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act.

**"Rule 144A"**: Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

**"Rule 144A Global Note"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(c).

**"Rule 144A Information"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.15.

**"S&P"**: Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc.

**"S&P CDO Monitor"**: A dynamic, analytical computer model developed by S&P (and as may be modified by S&P from time to time) and provided to the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator to be used to calculate the default frequency in terms of the amount of debt assumed to default as a percentage of the original principal amount of the Collateral Obligations consistent with a specified benchmark rating level based on certain assumptions and S&P's proprietary corporate default studies. For the purpose (and only for the purpose) of applying the S&P CDO Monitor to a portfolio of obligations, for each obligation in the portfolio, the rating of the obligation shall be its S&P Rating.

**"S&P CDO Monitor Test"**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive. The S&P CDO Monitor Test shall be considered to be improved if each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is at least equal to the corresponding Note Class Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio. The S&P CDO Monitor Test is not required to be satisfied or improved upon the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation and the application of the related Sale Proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations as provided in Section 12.1(a). For purposes of the S&P CDO Monitor Test,

- (i) the S&P Rating of any S&P Unrated DIP Loan shall be "CCC-" and
- (ii) the S&P Industry Classification for a Synthetic Security shall be that of the related Reference Obligation and not the Synthetic Security.

**"S&P Industry Classification"**: The S&P Industry Classifications in Schedule 3 as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by S&P.

**"S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate"**: As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the number obtained by

- (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate,
- (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations, and
- (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

**"S&P Priority Category"**: Each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" as an "S&P Priority Category."

**"S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate"**: For any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" opposite the S&P Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**"S&P Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"S&P Rating Confirmation"**: Confirmation in writing from S&P that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes.

**"S&P Unrated DIP Loan"**: A DIP Loan acquired by the Issuer that does not have a rating assigned by S&P and for which the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P (as specified in the definition of "DIP Loan").

**"Sale"**: The meaning specified in Section 5.17.

**"Sale Proceeds"**: All proceeds received (including any proceeds received with respect to any associated interest rate swap or security providing fixed annuity payments ) with respect to Collateral Obligations or other Pledged Obligations as a result of their sales or other dispositions less any reasonable expenses expended by the Servicer or the Trustee in connection with the sales or other dispositions, which shall be paid from such proceeds notwithstanding their characterization otherwise as Administrative Expenses.

**"Schedule of Collateral Obligations"**: The Collateral Obligations listed on Schedule 1, which schedule shall include with respect to each listed Collateral Obligation:

- (A) the name of the obligor and a unique Loan or other instrument identifier;
- (B) the purchase price;
- (C) the Principal Balance;
- (D) the classification (including whether the Collateral Obligation is a Loan, a High-Yield Bond, a Synthetic Security, a Participation, a Structured Finance Obligation, a Revolving Loan or a Delayed Drawdown Loan);
- (E) the funded amount (stated as a percentage) in respect of a Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or a Delayed Drawdown Loan;
- (F) the coupon or spread (as applicable);
- (G) the Stated Maturity;
- (H) the Moody's Rating;
- (I) the S&P Rating; and
- (J) the CUSIP and any ISIN, if applicable,

as the schedule may be amended from time to time to reflect the release of Collateral Obligations pursuant to Article 10 and the inclusion of Collateral Obligations as provided in Section 12.2.

**"Scheduled Holding Preference Shares Redemption Date"**: November 1, 2021.

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**"Second Lien Loan"**: A Loan that (i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinated in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan other than a Senior Secured Loan with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such Loan and (ii) is secured

by a valid second priority perfected security interest in or lien on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan, which specified collateral does not consist solely of common stock or shares issued by the obligor or any of its Affiliates or intangible assets.

**"Secondary Risk Counterparty"**: Any obligor Domiciled other than in the United States, any Participating Institution, any Synthetic Security Counterparty, and any Securities Lending Counterparty.

**"Secondary Risk Table"**: The table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty		Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
Moody's	S&P		
Aaa	AAA	20.0%	20.0%
Aa1	AA+	10.0%	10.0%
Aa2	AA	10.0%	10.0%
Aa3	AA-	10.0%	10.0%
A1	A+	5.0%	10.0%
A2 or below	A or below	0.0%	0.0%

If any Secondary Risk Counterparty's long-term senior unsecured debt rating or short-term rating is on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P, then for the purposes of the table above, its rating by the Rating Agency putting its rating on credit watch shall be one rating notch lower for that Rating Agency.

**"Section 3(c)(7)"**: Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act.

**"Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice"**: A notice from the Issuer to the Noteholders (to be delivered in accordance with Sections 10.6(a) and (b)) substantially in the form of Exhibit H-1.

**"Secured High-Yield Bond"**: A High-Yield Bond that is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**"Secured Loan"**: A Loan that is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**"Secured Obligations"**: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Secured Parties"**: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Securities"**: The Notes and the Preference Shares.

**"Securities Act"**: The United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

**"Securities Intermediary"**: Any clearing corporation or any Person, including a bank or broker, that in the ordinary course of its business maintains securities accounts for others and is acting in that capacity.

**"Securities Lending Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(f).

**"Securities Lending Agreements"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**"Securities Lending Collateral"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**"Securities Lending Counterparty"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**"Security Entitlement"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(17) of the UCC.

**"Selected Collateral Quality Tests"**: The Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Life Test (after taking into consideration any applicable Maturity Extension), the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the Diversity Test.

**"Senior Notes"**: The Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes authorized by, and authenticated and delivered under, this Indenture or any supplemental indenture.

**"Senior Secured High-Yield Bond"**: A Secured High-Yield Bond that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a first priority security interest in collateral that in the opinion of the Servicer has value at least equal to the amount of the High-Yield Bond.

**"Senior Secured Loan"**: A Secured Loan that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a first priority security interest in collateral that in the opinion of the Servicer has value at least equal to the amount of the Loan.

**"Senior Servicing Fee"**: A fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.30% per annum of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Senior Servicing Fee shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

**"Senior Unsecured High-Yield Bond"**: A High-Yield Bond that is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**"Senior Unsecured Loan"**: A Loan that is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**"Servicer"**: Highland Capital Management, L.P., and any successor Servicer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement.

**"Servicing Agreement"**: The Servicing Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Servicer, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Servicing Fee Portion"**: 100% minus (a) for any Payment Date from the Closing Date until (and including) the Payment Date on or immediately preceding the second anniversary of the Closing Date, the Class II Preference Share Percentage for such Payment Date and (b) for any other Payment Date, a percentage (between 0% and 100%) selected by the Servicer in its sole discretion and reported to the Trustee in writing on or before the related Determination Date.

**"Servicing Fees"**: Collectively, the Senior Servicing Fee, the Subordinated Servicing Fee and the Supplemental Servicing Fee.

**"Share Trustee"**: Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited.

**"Share Registrar"**: Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited or any successor thereto.

**"Special Redemption"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**"Special Redemption Amount"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**"Special Redemption Date"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**"Spread Excess"**: As of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose:

(i) numerator is the product of:

(A) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date over the Minimum Weighted Average Spread specified in the applicable row of the Ratings Matrix, and

(B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date, and

(ii) denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Spread Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Fixed Rate Excess were equal to zero.

**"Stated Maturity"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation, the maturity date specified in it or the applicable Underlying Instrument (or, if earlier, the first date on which any Person may be required by the Issuer to repurchase the entire principal amount of the Collateral Obligation at or above par) and with respect to the Notes of any Class, November 1, 2021 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date. Unless otherwise specified, "Stated Maturity" means the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

**"Structured Finance Obligation"**: Any obligation (other than the Notes or any other security or obligation issued by the Issuer):

(i) secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool of receivables or other assets of U.S. obligors, or obligors organized or incorporated in Moody's Group I Countries, Moody's Group II Countries, Moody's Group III Countries or Tax Advantaged Jurisdictions, including portfolio credit default swaps and collateralized debt obligations, but excludes:

(A) residential mortgage-backed securities;

(B) collateralized debt obligations backed by Emerging Market Securities;



- (C) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by asset-backed securities;
- (D) market value collateralized debt obligations;
- (E) securities backed by “future flow” receivables;
- (F) securities backed by “trust preferred securities”;
- (G) net interest margin securitizations;
- (H) collateralized debt obligations backed primarily by other collateralized debt obligations;
- (I) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by one or more credit default swaps (i.e. “synthetic CDOs”); and
- (J) collateralized debt obligations a significant portion of which are backed by bonds;
- (ii) that has an S&P Rating and an S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate;
- (iii) that has a rating and a Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate assigned by Moody’s; and
- (iv) whose ownership or disposition (without regard to the Issuer’s other activities) by the Issuer will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

In connection with the purchase of a Structured Finance Obligation, the Servicer shall obtain from Moody’s the applicable Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate.

For purposes of the Diversity Test, multiple Structured Finance Obligations from CDOs serviced by the same Servicer or multiple Structured Finance Obligations issued by the same master trust will be considered to be obligations of one issuer.

**"Subordinated High-Yield Bond":** A Secured High-Yield Bond secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**"Subordinated Lien Loan":** A Secured Loan (other than a Second Lien Loan) secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**"Subordinated Servicing Fee":** An amount equal to the sum of (i) a fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.25% per annum of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments and (ii) on any Payment Date that any part of the Subordinated Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period plus 3.00% per annum. The portion of the Subordinated Servicing Fee in clauses (i) and (ii) above, as applicable, shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

**"Successor Entity":** The meaning specified in Section 7.10.

**"Super Majority":** With respect to any Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be; *provided* that with respect to the Class A-1a Notes, "Super Majority" shall mean at least 58% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1a Notes for so long as Financial Security Assurance Inc. is entitled to direct the vote of at least 58% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1a Notes.

**"Supplemental Servicing Fee":** On each Payment Date, the fee payable to the Servicer in an amount equal to: (i) 20% of the remaining Interest Proceeds, if any, available after making the distributions on such Payment Date pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(i)(22) of the Priority of Payments and (ii) 20% of the remaining Principal Proceeds, if any, available for payment in respect of the Supplemental Servicing Fee pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(11)(A) of the Priority of Payments and, if applicable, Section 11.1(a)(ii)(14) of the Priority of Payments.

**"Synthetic Security":** Any swap transaction, structured bond, credit linked note or other derivative financial instrument providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a debt instrument (but excluding any such instrument relating directly to a basket or portfolio of debt instruments) or an index or indices (such as the "SAMI" index published by Credit Suisse) in connection with a basket or portfolio of debt instruments or other similar instruments entered into by the Issuer with a Synthetic Security Counterparty that has in the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment, equivalent expected loss characteristics (those characteristics, "*credit risk*") to those of the related Reference Obligations (taking account of those considerations as they relate to the Synthetic Security Counterparty), if (i) it is either a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied, and (ii) the Reference Obligations thereof have a Market Value equal to at least 85% of the Principal Balance of the Reference Obligation at the time the Synthetic Security is entered into.

The maturity, interest rate, and other non-credit characteristics of a Synthetic Security may be different from the Reference Obligations to which the credit risk of the Synthetic Security relates.

No Synthetic Security shall require the Issuer to make any payment to the Synthetic Security Counterparty after its initial purchase other than any payments represented by the release of any cash collateral posted by the Issuer from the Collection Account to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of the posted cash collateral. Collateral may be posted only to a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account. No Synthetic Security shall result in the Issuer being a "buyer" of credit protection.

The term Synthetic Security shall not include any Structured Finance Obligation or any Participation, but the Reference Obligation of a Synthetic Security may be a Structured Finance Obligation.

Each Synthetic Security Agreement shall contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those contained in this Indenture.

The ownership or disposition of any Synthetic Security (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) must not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

Unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" under any proposed Synthetic Security must not provide that its transfer to the Issuer is subject to obtaining any consents and must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation and satisfy the Concentration Limitations under this Indenture, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event" and if the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security is a Senior Secured Loan then the "deliverable obligation" under the Synthetic Security must also be a Senior Secured Loan.

No Synthetic Security may provide for any event other than bankruptcy or a failure to pay as a "credit event".

For purposes of the Coverage Tests and the Retention Overcollateralization Test, unless the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied in respect of any proposed alternative treatment, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligation.

With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, for purposes of: (i) calculating compliance with the Diversity Test, the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test, and the Concentration Limitations (other than limits relating to payment characteristics and except for clauses 17 and 17(a) of the definition of "Concentration Limitations"), and all related definitions, and (ii) any other provision or definition of this Indenture involving a determination with respect to a Reference Obligation, the characteristics of such Reference Obligations shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each such Reference Obligation in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation. In addition, each Reference Obligation under such Synthetic Security shall be assigned a Moody's Rating Factor equal to the sum of the Moody's Rating Factor of (i) the related Reference Obligor, (ii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty of such Synthetic Security and (iii) the Synthetic Security Collateral of such Synthetic Security. In addition, the Moody's Priority Category Rate in respect of a Synthetic Security referencing multiple Reference Obligations pursuant to this paragraph shall be the Moody's Priority Category Rate as assigned by Moody's to each Reference Obligation underlying such Synthetic Security. For the avoidance of doubt, Reference Obligations upon which a Synthetic Security is based as described in this paragraph must meet the definition of "Collateral Obligation" to the extent provided in this definition.

If the Rating Condition must be satisfied to execute the purchase of any Synthetic Security, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall give each applicable Rating Agency not less than 5 days' prior notice of the purchase of or entry into any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Agreement"**: The documentation governing any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Collateral"**: With respect to any Synthetic Security, amounts posted to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account by the Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its obligations under the Synthetic Security, including (i) all Eligible Investments or (ii) floating rate credit card securitizations that are rated "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, in each case that mature no later than the Stated Maturity, in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account that are purchased with Synthetic Security Collateral.

**"Synthetic Security Collateral Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(e).

**"Synthetic Security Counterparty"**: An entity required to make payments on a Synthetic Security to the extent that a Reference Obligor makes payments on a related Reference Obligation.

**"Synthetic Security Counterparty Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.5.

**"Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction"**: One of the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the Netherlands Antilles or the tax advantaged jurisdiction of the Channel Islands, or such other jurisdiction that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto.

**"Tax Event"**: An event that occurs if either:

(i) (A) one or more Collateral Obligations that were not subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them have become subject to withholding tax (**"New Withholding Tax Obligations"**) or the rate of withholding has increased on one or more Collateral Obligations that were subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them (**"Increased Rate Withholding Tax Obligations"**) and (B) in any Due Period, the aggregate of the payments subject to withholding tax on New Withholding Tax Obligations and the increase in payments subject to withholding tax on Increased Rate Withholding Tax Obligations, in each case to the extent not "grossed-up" (on an after-tax basis) by the related obligor, represent 5% or more of Interest Proceeds for the Due Period;

(ii) taxes, fees, assessments, or other similar charges are imposed on the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in an aggregate amount in any twelve-month period in excess of U.S.\$2,000,000, other than any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax with respect to any payment owing in respect of any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation or Collateral Obligation; or

(iii) if the Issuer is at the time treated as a pass-through entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes, that investors in the Preference Shares who are non-U.S. persons not otherwise subject to U.S. net income tax are or have become subject to U.S. net income taxation in respect of income of the Issuer in an amount in excess of 10.0% of the net income of the Issuer in any twelve-month period.

**"Transaction Documents"**: Collectively, this Indenture, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

**"Transaction Reports"**: The meaning specified in Section 14.4.

**"Transaction Securities"**: Collectively, the Securities and the Holding Preference Shares.

**"Transfer Agent"**: The Person or Persons, which may be the Issuer, authorized by the Issuer to exchange or register the transfer of Notes.

**"Transferee Certificate"**: A certificate substantially in the form of, with respect to the Senior Notes, Exhibit B-1 or, with respect to the Class D Notes, Exhibit B-4 attached hereto, duly completed as appropriate.

**"Treasury Regulations"**: The regulations, including proposed or temporary regulations, promulgated under the Code. References herein to specific provisions of proposed or temporary regulations shall include analogous provisions of final Treasury Regulations or other successor Treasury Regulations.

**"Trust Officer"**: When used with respect to the Trustee, any officer in the Corporate Trust Office (or any successor group of the Trustee) including any director, vice president, assistant vice president, associate, or any other officer of the Trustee customarily performing functions similar to those performed by such officers in the Corporate Trust Office, or to whom any corporate trust matter is referred at the Corporate Trust Office because of his knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject and having direct responsibility for the administration of this Indenture.

**"Trustee"**: As defined in the first sentence of this Indenture.

**"UCC"**: The Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the State of New York, and as amended from time to time.

**"Uncertificated Security"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(18) of the UCC.

**"Underlying Instrument"**: The loan agreement, indenture, credit agreement, or other agreement pursuant to which a Pledged Obligation has been issued or created and each other agreement that governs the terms of or secures the obligations represented by the Pledged Obligation or of which the holders of the Pledged Obligation are the beneficiaries.

**"Unfunded Amount"**: With respect to any Revolving Loan or any Delayed Drawdown Loan at any time, the excess, if any, of (a) the Commitment Amount over (b) the Funded Amount thereof.

**"Unregistered Securities"**: The meaning specified in Section 5.17(c).

**"Unscheduled Principal Payments"**: Any principal payments received with respect to a Collateral Obligation as a result of optional redemptions, exchange offers, tender offers, other payments or prepayments made at the option of the issuer thereof or that are otherwise not scheduled to be made thereunder.

**"U.S. Person"**: A beneficial owner of a Security that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a citizen or individual resident of the United States of America, an entity treated for United States federal income tax purposes as a corporation or a partnership created or organized in or under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof or the District of Columbia, an estate the income of which is includable in gross income for U.S. federal income tax purposes regardless of its source, or a trust if, in general, a court within the United States of America is able to exercise primary supervision over its administration and one or more U.S. Persons have the authority

to control all substantial decisions of such trust, and certain eligible trusts that have elected to be treated as U.S. Persons.

**"Valuation Report"**: The meaning specified in Section 10.6(b).

**"Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon"**: As of any Measurement Date, the rate obtained by

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Fixed Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum rate at which it pays interest (other than, with respect to Collateral Obligations that are not PIK Securities, any interest that is not required to be paid in Cash and may be deferred), using only the effective after-tax interest rate determined by the Servicer on any Fixed Rate Obligation after taking into account any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction and any gross-up paid by the obligor),

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i),

(iii) dividing the sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations that are Fixed Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date, and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, adding to the sum the amount of any Spread Excess as of the Measurement Date, but only to the extent required to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test.

**"Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test"**: A test that is satisfied if, as of any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 7.5%.

**"Weighted Average Life"**: As of any Measurement Date, the number obtained by

(i) summing the products obtained by multiplying

(A) the Average Life at that time of each Collateral Obligation by

(B) the Principal Balance at that time of the Collateral Obligation and

(ii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance at that time of all Collateral Obligations.

**"Weighted Average Life Test"**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the greater of (a) the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and May 1, 2017 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date and (b) 4.0 years.

**"Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor"**: The summation of the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation (excluding Eligible Investments) by its respective Moody's Rating Factor, dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) and rounding the result up to the nearest whole number.

**"Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 43.63%.

**"Weighted Average Rating Factor Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of such Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor.

**"Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 52.28%.

**"Weighted Average Spread":** As of any Measurement Date, a rate obtained by:

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Floating Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum contract spread at which it pays interest (which (x) for PIK Securities for which interest has been deferred or capitalized, will be deemed to be zero, (y) for Collateral Obligations that would be PIK Securities but for the proviso in the definition thereof, will be deemed to be equal to the effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest applicable thereto and (z) for any Revolving Loan or Delayed Draw Loan, will be the per annum contract spread for the Funded Amount thereof and the rate of the commitment fee and such other fees payable to the Issuer for any Unfunded Amount thereof), determined with respect to any Floating Rate Obligation that does not bear interest based on a London interbank offered rate, by expressing the current interest rate on the Floating Rate Obligation as a spread above a three month London interbank offered rate calculated in a manner consistent with the calculation of LIBOR,

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i),

(iii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date, and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to pass the Weighted Average Spread Test, adding to that sum the amount of Fixed Rate Excess as of the Measurement Date.

**"Weighted Average Spread Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread.

**"Workout Assets":** A Loan, High-Yield Bond, or Qualified Equity Security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation that the Issuer does not advance any funds to purchase that does not qualify as a Collateral Obligation.

**"Written-Down Obligation":** As of any date of determination, any Structured Finance Obligation as to which the Issuer or the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, has been notified by the issuer of the Structured Finance Obligation that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Structured Finance Obligation and all other Structured Finance Obligations secured by the same pool of collateral that rank *pari passu* with or senior in priority of payment to the Structured Finance Obligation exceeds the aggregate principal balance (including reserved interest or other amounts available for overcollateralization) of all collateral securing the Structured Finance Obligation and such other *pari passu* and senior Structured Finance Obligations (excluding defaulted collateral).

**"Zero-Coupon Security"**: A security that, at the time of determination, does not make periodic payments of interest. A Zero-Coupon Security shall not include a security that is a PIK Security.

Section 1.2. ***Assumptions as to Pledged Obligations; Construction Conventions.***

This Section 1.2 shall be applied in connection with all calculations required to be made pursuant to this Indenture:

- with respect to the scheduled payment of principal or interest on any Pledged Obligation, or any payments on any other assets included in the Collateral,
- with respect to the sale of and acquisition of Collateral Obligations,
- with respect to the income that can be earned on the scheduled payment of principal or interest on the Pledged Obligations and on any other amounts that may be received for deposit in the Collection Account, and
- with respect to the treatment of Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement.

The provisions of this Section 1.2 shall be applicable to any determination or calculation that is covered by this Section 1.2, whether or not reference is specifically made to Section 1.2, unless some other method of calculation or determination is expressly specified in the particular provision.

(a) All calculations with respect to the scheduled payment of principal or interest on the Pledged Obligations shall be made on the basis of information as to the terms of each Pledged Obligation and on reports of payments received on the Pledged Obligation that are furnished by or on behalf of the issuer of the Pledged Obligation and, to the extent they are not manifestly in error, the information or report may be conclusively relied on in making the calculations.

(b) For each Due Period and as of any Measurement Date, the scheduled payment of principal or interest on any Pledged Obligation shall be the sum of

(i) the total amount of payments and collections reasonably expected to be received during the Due Period in respect of the Pledged Obligation that, if paid as scheduled, will be available for payment on the Notes and of certain expenses of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer in the Collection Account at the end of the Due Period; and

(ii) any such amounts received in prior Due Periods that were not disbursed on a previous Payment Date.

Except as provided in paragraph (h) below, a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation shall be assumed to have a scheduled payment of principal and interest of zero.

The total amount of payments and collections reasonably expected to be received includes the proceeds of the sale of the Pledged Obligation received and, in the case of sales which have not yet settled, to be received during the Due Period and not used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty, Securities Lending Counterparty, or Hedge Counterparty



simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security, Securities Lending Agreement, or Hedge Agreement) or Eligible Investments or retained in the Collection Account for subsequent application thereof to purchase additional Collateral Obligations pursuant to Section 12.2.

(c) For purposes of the applicable determinations required by Article 12 and the definition of "Interest Coverage Ratio," the expected interest on Collateral Obligations shall be calculated using their then current interest rates.

(d) With respect to any Collateral Obligation, the date on which it "matures" (or its "maturity" date) shall be the earlier of

(i) the stated maturity of the obligation or

(ii) if the Issuer has the right to require the issuer or obligor of the Collateral Obligation to purchase, redeem, or retire the Collateral Obligation at a price of at least par on any one or more dates before its Stated Maturity (a "put right") and the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that it will cause the Issuer to direct the Trustee to exercise the put right on a date, the maturity date shall be the date specified in the certification.

(e) For purposes of calculating compliance with the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), the Coverage Tests, and the Retention Overcollateralization Test and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the Reference Obligation. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limits other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligations.

(f) Any Collateral Obligation loaned to a Securities Lending Counterparty shall be included in the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests, and the Retention Overcollateralization Test and the Principal Balance of any Collateral Obligation loaned to a Securities Lending Counterparty shall be included in the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations, in each case unless an "event of default" (under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing.

(g) If a Class of Notes ceases to be Outstanding, then any Coverage Test computed by reference to the Class of Notes (but not to any subordinate Class of Notes then Outstanding) shall cease to be of any force.

(h) For purposes of calculating compliance with the Eligibility Criteria (other than the Weighted Average Life Test), at the direction of the Servicer by notice to the Trustee, during the Replacement Period any Eligible Investment representing Principal Proceeds received upon the maturity, redemption, sale, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation (or, after the Replacement Period, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations) shall be deemed to have the characteristics of the disposed Collateral Obligation until used to purchase an additional

Collateral Obligation. The calculations shall be based on the Principal Balance of the disposed Collateral Obligations except in the case of Defaulted Collateral Obligations and Credit Risk Securities, in which case the calculations will be based on the Principal Proceeds received on the disposition or sale of the Defaulted Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation.

(i) The calculation on any Coverage Test on any Determination Date shall be made by giving effect to all payments to be made pursuant to all subclauses of the Priority of Payments as applicable, payable on the Payment Date following such Determination Date. In addition no Principal Proceeds will be used to pay a subordinated Class on a Payment Date if, after giving effect to such payment, any Coverage Test of a more senior Class of Notes is failing on such Payment Date or would fail as a result of such application of the Principal Proceeds on such Payment Date.

### Section 1.3. ***Rules of Interpretation.***

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture or unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

(a) Defined terms include, as appropriate, all genders and the plural as well as the singular.

(b) References to designated articles, sections, subsections, exhibits, and other subdivisions of this Indenture, such as "Section 6.13 (a)," refer to the designated article, section, subsection, exhibit, or other subdivision of this Indenture as a whole and to all subdivisions of the designated article, section, subsection, exhibit, or other subdivision. The words "herein," "hereof," "hereto," "hereunder," and other words of similar import refer to this Indenture as a whole and not to any particular article, section, exhibit, or other subdivision of this Indenture.

(c) Any term that relates to a document or a statute, rule, or regulation includes any amendments, modifications, supplements, or any other changes that may have occurred since the document, statute, rule, or regulation came into being, including changes that occur after the date of this Indenture. References to law are not limited to statutes. Any reference to any Person includes references to its successors and assigns.

(d) Any party may execute any of the requirements under this Indenture either directly or through others, and the right to cause something to be done rather than doing it directly shall be implicit in every requirement under this Indenture. Unless a provision is restricted as to time or limited as to frequency, all provisions under this Indenture are implicitly available and things may happen from time to time.

(e) The term "including" and all its variations mean "including but not limited to." Except when used in conjunction with the word "either," the word "or" is always used inclusively (for example, the phrase "A or B" means "A or B or both," not "either A or B but not both").

(f) A reference to "a thing" or "any of a thing" does not imply the existence or occurrence of the thing referred to even though not followed by "if any," and "any of a thing" is any and all of it. A reference to the plural of anything as to which there could be either one or more than one does not imply the existence of more than one (for instance, the phrase "the obligors on a note" means "the obligor or obligors on a note"). "Until something occurs" does not imply that it must occur, and will not be modified by the word "unless." The word "due" and the word "payable" are each used in the sense that the stated time for payment has passed. The word "accrued" is used in its accounting sense, i.e., an amount paid is no longer accrued. In the calculation of amounts of things, differences and sums may generally result in negative numbers, but when the calculation of the

excess of one thing over another results in zero or a negative number, the calculation is disregarded and an "excess" does not exist. Portions of things may be expressed as fractions or percentages interchangeably. The word "shall" is used in its imperative sense, as for instance meaning a party agrees to something or something must occur or exist.

(g) All accounting terms used in an accounting context and not otherwise defined, and accounting terms partly defined in this Indenture, to the extent not completely defined, shall be construed in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. To the extent that the definitions of accounting terms in this Indenture are inconsistent with their meanings under generally accepted accounting principles, the definitions contained in this Indenture shall control.

(h) In the computation of a period of time from a specified date to a later specified date or an open-ended period, the words "from" and "beginning" mean "from and including," the word "after" means "from but excluding," the words "to" and "until" mean "to but excluding," and the word "through" means "to and including." Likewise, in setting deadlines or other periods, "by" means "on or before." The words "preceding," "following," "before," "after," "next," and words of similar import, mean immediately preceding or following. References to a month or a year refer to calendar months and calendar years.

(i) Any reference to the enforceability of any agreement against a party means that it is enforceable against the party in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, and other similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles.

(j) Except when only the registered holder is recognized, such as in Section 2.9., references to Noteholders, holders, and the like refer equally to beneficial owners who have an interest in a Note but are not reflected in the Indenture Register as the owner.

## ARTICLE 2

### THE NOTES

#### Section 2.1. *Forms Generally.*

The Notes and the Trustee's or Authenticating Agent's certificate of authentication on them (the "**Certificate of Authentication**") shall be in substantially the forms required by this Article, with appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions, and other variations required or permitted by this Indenture, and may have any letters, numbers, or other marks of identification and any legends or endorsements on them that are consistent with this Indenture, as determined by the Authorized Officers of the Issuer executing the Notes as evidenced by their execution of the Notes.

#### Section 2.2. *Forms of Notes and Certificate of Authentication.*

(a) The Senior Notes, including the Regulation S Global Notes, Rule 144A Global Notes and Certificate of Authentication, shall be in the forms of the applicable portion of Exhibit A-1.

(b) *Regulation S Global Notes.* The Senior Notes of each Class sold to non-U.S. persons in off-shore transactions in reliance on Regulation S shall each be represented by one or more global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit A-1, including legends (the "**Regulation S Global Notes**").

The global notes shall be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for the Senior Notes represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, the Depository for the respective accounts of Euroclear and Clearstream, duly executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided. The aggregate principal amount of the Regulation S Global Notes may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee or the Depository or its nominee, as the case may be, as hereinafter provided. As used above and in subsection (d) below, "U.S. person" and "off-shore transaction" have the meanings assigned to them in Regulation S.

(c) *Rule 144A Global Notes.* The Senior Notes of each Class initially sold to U.S. persons that are Qualified Institutional Buyers and Qualified Purchasers shall each be issued initially in the form of one permanent global note per Class in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit A-1, including legends (each, a "**Rule 144A Global Note**"), which shall be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for the Senior Notes represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, the Depository, duly executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided. The aggregate principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Notes may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee or the Depository or its nominee, as the case may be, as hereinafter provided.

(d) *Book-Entry Provisions.* This Section 2.2(d) shall apply only to Global Notes deposited with or on behalf of the Depository. The "Operating Procedures of the Euroclear System" of Euroclear and the "Terms and Conditions Governing Use of Participants" of Clearstream, respectively, shall be applicable to the Regulation S Global Notes insofar as interests in the Global Notes are held by the Agent Members of Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be.

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

(e) The Class D Notes shall be issued in the form of one or more certificated Class D Notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of Exhibit A-2, including legends (each, a "**Certificated Class D Note**"), which shall be registered in the name of the owner thereof.

### Section 2.3. *Authorized Amount; Denominations.*

(a) The aggregate principal amount of Notes that may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture is limited to U.S.\$1,372,500,000, except for Notes authenticated and delivered upon registration of, transfer of, or in exchange for, or in lieu of, other Notes pursuant to Section 2.6, 2.7, or 8.5.

(b) The Notes shall be divided into the following Classes, having the designations, original principal amounts and other characteristics as follows:

Class	A-1a	A-1b	A-2	B	C	D
Original Principal Amount	U.S.\$1,015,000,000	U.S.\$111,500,000	U.S.\$68,000,000	U.S.\$72,000,000	U.S.\$75,000,000	U.S.\$31,000,000
Interest Rate	LIBOR + 0.245%	LIBOR + 0.36%	LIBOR + 0.41%	LIBOR + 0.70%	LIBOR + 1.55%	LIBOR + 3.60%
Initial Rating (Moody's/S&P)	Aaa/AAA	Aa1/AAA	Aa2/AA	A2/A	Baa2/BBB	Ba2/BB

(c) The Notes will be issuable in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000, and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess of that amount.

(d) The Issuer will also issue 52,500 Class I Preference Shares and 75,000 Class II Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, simultaneously with the issuance of the Notes under this Indenture. At any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the proceeds from such issuance and sale to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or as otherwise permitted under the Preference Share Documents and this Indenture pursuant to Section 6 of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. The Preference Shares are not secured by the lien of this Indenture. Any payments made by the Trustee hereunder with respect to the Preference Shares (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) will be released by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent on each Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment, subject to Cayman Islands law, to Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends or Redemption Price, as applicable.

**Section 2.4. *Extension of Replacement Period and Stated Maturity.***

(a) The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Replacement Period to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date up to a maximum of four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date in accordance with this Section 2.4 and (ii) the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.4(c) are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period to the Trustee no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Notes or Preference Shares or amendment or supplement to this Indenture or the Preference Share Documents (the "**Maturity Extension**"); provided that the Issuer will not be permitted to effect more than four Maturity Extensions.

(b) In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Securities wishing to sell such Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to Section 2.4(d) (such Securities (or the related Holding Preference Shares, as applicable) as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, "**Extension Sale Securities**"). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, each Holder providing an Extension Sale Notice shall be deemed to agree that no Extension Sale Securities of any Holder shall be purchased unless all Extension Sale Securities of all Holders are purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date and the other Extension Conditions are satisfied as of such date.

(c) The Maturity Extension shall be effective only if the following conditions (the "**Extension Conditions**") are satisfied:

- (i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the applicable Extension Effective Date;
- (ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions in this Indenture, the Preference Share Documents and the Holding Preference Share Documents immediately after such purchase and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency);
- (iii) (a) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to S&P (so long as any Notes are then rated by S&P) and (b) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to Moody's (so long as any Notes are then rated by Moody's);
- (iv) the Issuer has not effected more than three prior Extensions; and
- (v) such extension is not effected for the primary purpose of decreasing losses or recognizing gains resulting from market value changes.

The Issuer, the Trustee and, by its acceptance of the Notes, each Noteholder agrees that the Initial Purchaser shall not be responsible for causing the Extension Conditions to be satisfied and shall not be liable to any such Person or Noteholders (whether or not such Holder gave an Extension Sale Notice with respect to its Notes) or to any other Person if the Extension Conditions are not satisfied. Failure of the Extension Conditions to be satisfied shall not constitute a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture.

(d) Extension Procedure.

- (i) Not later than three Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Issuer of its election to extend the Replacement Period (the "**Extension Notice**"), the Trustee shall mail the Extension Notice to all Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding), in the form of Exhibit J, and shall request the Rating Confirmation for the Maturity Extension from each Rating Agency, if applicable;
- (ii) Any Holder of the Securities may deliver an irrevocable notice (an "**Extension Sale Notice**") to the Issuer and the Trustee within 30 days after the Trustee has mailed the Extension Notice (the "**Extension Sale Notice Period**") of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Securities or, with respect to Investors Corp., in its capacity as a Holder of the Class I Preference Shares, all or a portion of Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be, to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of the Securities that has not delivered such an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be entitled to sell its Securities or Holding Preference Shares, as

applicable, to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension; and

(iii) If clause (iii)(b)(i) of the Extension Conditions is not satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date as determined by the Issuer (or its agent), the Trustee shall request the Rating Condition to be satisfied with respect to Moody's.

(e) On the applicable Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or its agent) shall confirm (i) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Extension Sale Securities in compliance with all transfer restrictions in this Indenture, the Preference Share Documents and the Holding Preference Share Documents and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (ii) whether the requirements of clause (c)(iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date and (iii) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

(f) On each Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension shall automatically become effective under the terms of this Indenture; provided that all Extension Conditions set forth in clauses (a) and (c) above are satisfied (as certified to the Trustee by a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer). No later than two Business Days after each Extension Effective Date, the Trustee based on a determination made by the Issuer in consultation with the Servicer, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail a notice to all Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) and the Irish Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed thereon) confirming whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension became effective, the Issuer shall make any required notifications thereof to the Depository for any Notes subject to the Maturity Extension.

(g) In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Noteholder, other than a Holder of Extension Sale Securities, shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment. Holders of Preference Shares shall not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

The Extension Bonus Payment shall be payable to any applicable qualifying beneficial owners who have provided the Trustee with an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification on the first Payment Date from and including each Extension Effective Date on which funds are available to be used for such purposes in accordance with Priority of Payments, but in any event, no later than the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption of the Notes. Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments on a Payment Date shall not be considered "due and payable" hereunder. The failure to pay any such Extension Bonus Payment on such date shall not be an Event of Default, unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Securities. Unpaid Extension Bonus Payments shall not accrue interest. Such amounts shall be paid, in the case of the Notes, to the accounts designated in the applicable Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification or, to the extent otherwise required by the rules of any applicable securities exchange or clearing agency, in a manner determined by the Issuer.

(h) If any Holder of Class II Preference Shares delivers an Extension Sale Notice notifying the Issuer and the Trustee of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Class II Preference Shares, (i) such Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to Investors Corp. and such

Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares, (ii) Investors Corp. will issue additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such redesignated Preference Shares purchased by it and (iii) the Extension Qualifying Purchaser will purchase such additional Holding Preference Shares in lieu of such redesignated Preference Shares.

Section 2.5. ***Execution, Authentication, Delivery, and Dating.***

The Notes shall be executed on behalf of each of the Applicable Issuers by one of their respective Authorized Officers. The signature of the Authorized Officer on the Notes may be manual or facsimile.

Notes bearing the manual or facsimile signatures of individuals who were at any time the Authorized Officers of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, shall bind the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, notwithstanding that any of them have ceased to hold their offices before the authentication and delivery of the Notes or did not hold their offices at the date of issuance of the Notes.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Indenture, the Co-Issuers may deliver the Senior Notes and the Issuer may deliver the Class D Notes, in each case executed by the Applicable Issuers to the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent for authentication and the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent, upon Issuer Order, shall authenticate and deliver the Notes as provided in this Indenture and not otherwise.

Each Note authenticated and delivered by the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent upon Issuer Order on the Closing Date shall be dated as of the Closing Date. All other Notes that are authenticated after the Closing Date for any other purpose under this Indenture shall be dated the date of their authentication.

Notes issued upon transfer, exchange, or replacement of other Notes shall be issued in authorized denominations reflecting the original Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes so transferred, exchanged, or replaced, but shall represent only the current outstanding principal amount of the Notes so transferred, exchanged, or replaced. If any Note is divided into more than one Note in accordance with this Article 2, the original principal amount of the Note shall be proportionately divided among the Notes delivered in exchange for it and shall be the original aggregate principal amount of the subsequently issued Notes.

No Note shall be entitled to any benefit under this Indenture or be valid or obligatory for any purpose, unless there appears on the Note a Certificate of Authentication executed by the Trustee or by the Authenticating Agent by the manual signature of one of their Authorized Officers, and that certificate on any Note shall be conclusive evidence, and the only evidence, that the Note has been duly authenticated and delivered under this Indenture.

Section 2.6. ***Registration, Registration of Transfer and Exchange.***

(a) The Issuer shall cause a register (the "***Indenture Register***") to be kept in which the Issuer shall provide for the registration of Notes and the registration of transfers of Notes. The Trustee is hereby initially appointed "***Indenture Registrar***" for the purpose of registering Notes and transfers of the Notes as provided in this Indenture. The Issuer may rely conclusively on any such information provided to it by the Trustee. Upon any resignation or removal of the Indenture Registrar, the Issuer shall promptly appoint a successor and notify the Servicer of the appointment or, in the absence of such appointment, assume the duties of Indenture Registrar.



If the Issuer appoints a Person other than the Trustee to be Indenture Registrar, the Issuer will give the Trustee prompt written notice of the appointment of the Indenture Registrar and of the location, and any change in the location, of the Indenture Register. The Trustee may inspect the Indenture Register at all reasonable times and obtain copies of it. The Trustee may rely on a certificate executed on behalf of the Indenture Registrar by an Officer of the Indenture Registrar as to the names and addresses of the Noteholders and the principal amounts and number of the Notes.

Upon surrender for registration of transfer of any Notes at the office or agency of the Applicable Issuers to be maintained pursuant to Section 7.2, if the requirements of this Indenture are met the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in the name of the designated transferees, new Notes of any authorized denomination and of a like original Aggregate Outstanding Amount.

At the option of their Holder, Notes may be exchanged for Notes of like terms, in any authorized denominations and of like aggregate principal amount, upon surrender of the Notes to be exchanged at the office or agency of the Applicable Issuers to be maintained pursuant to Section 7.2. Whenever any Note is surrendered for exchange, the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, the Notes that the Noteholder making the exchange is entitled to receive.

All Notes issued on any registration of transfer or exchange of Notes shall be the valid obligations of the Applicable Issuers evidencing the same obligations and entitled to the same benefits under this Indenture as the Notes surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

Every Note presented or surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange shall be duly endorsed, or be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Indenture Registrar duly executed by its holder or his attorney duly authorized in writing.

No Holder shall incur a service charge for any registration of transfer or exchange of the Notes, but the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

(b) No Note may be sold or transferred (including by pledge or hypothecation) unless the sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, is exempt from the registration requirements under applicable state securities laws, and will not cause either of the Co-Issuers to become subject to the requirement that it register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act. None of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee or any other Person shall have any obligation to register the Notes under the Securities Act or any state securities laws.

(c) (i) No Note or interest therein may be transferred to any purchaser or transferee unless such purchase, holding and disposition of such Note will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any federal, state, foreign or local law that is substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code).

(ii) No person shall be permitted to acquire any Class D Note if (A) such acquisition would result in persons who have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of the Class D Notes immediately after such sale or transfer (excluding for purposes of such determination any Class D Notes held by any Controlling Person (as defined below) and its affiliates (as defined below)) determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA or (B) such person, or any account on behalf of which such person is acquiring the Class D Notes, is an

employee benefit plan or other plan subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, including entities whose underlying assets are treated as if they are the assets of such plans. Under the Plan Asset Regulation, an “affiliate” of a person includes any person, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controlling, controlled by or under common control with the person, and “control” with respect to a person other than an individual, means the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of such person. In making the 25% determination, Class D Notes held by any person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer or any affiliate of any such person (any such person, a “**Controlling Person**”) (such as the Class D Notes held by the Servicer or its affiliates) will be disregarded and not treated as outstanding.

(iii) Any person described in paragraph (i) and (ii) above is referred to herein as a “**Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor**.” Any transfer of a beneficial interest to a Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor shall be void and any such purported transfer of which the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee has notice may be disregarded by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Trustee for all purposes.

(d) None of the Trustee, the Share Registrar or the Indenture Registrar shall be responsible for ascertaining whether any transfer complies with, or for otherwise monitoring or determining compliance with, the requirements or terms of the Securities Act, applicable state securities laws, ERISA, the Code or the Investment Company Act; except that if a certificate or any other document is specifically required by this Section 2.6 to be provided to the Trustee or such Registrar by a prospective transferee, the Trustee and such Registrar, as applicable, shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine whether it conforms substantially on its face to the applicable requirements of this Section 2.6.

(e) For so long as any of the Notes are Outstanding, the Issuer shall not issue or register the transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares to U.S. persons and the Co-Issuer shall not issue or register the transfer of any of its shares of the Co-Issuer to U.S. persons. As used in this subsection (e), “U.S. person” has the meaning assigned to it in Regulation S.

(f) So long as a Global Note remains Outstanding and is held by or on behalf of the Depository, transfers of the Global Note, in whole or in part, shall only be made in accordance with Section 2.2(c), Section 2.6(c) and this Section 2.6(f).

(i) Subject to clauses (ii), (iii) and (iv) of this Section 2.6(f), transfers of a Global Note shall be limited to transfers of the Global Note in whole, but not in part, to nominees of the Depository.

(ii) *Rule 144A Global Note to Regulation S Global Note.* If a Holder of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note deposited with the Depository wishes at any time to exchange its interest in the Rule 144A Global Note for an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note, or to transfer its interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to a Person who wishes to take delivery of it in the form of an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note, the Holder may exchange or transfer the interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note (subject to the rules and procedures of the Depository) if the Holder after the exchange or transfer is not a U.S. person.

The Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository to reduce the principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Note and to increase the principal amount of the Regulation S Global Note by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to be exchanged, and to credit to the securities account of the Person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note equal to the reduction in the principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Note upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of

(A) instructions given in accordance with the Depository's procedures from an Agent Member directing the Indenture Registrar to credit a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to the Holder's Senior Notes, equal to the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to be exchanged or transferred,

(B) a written order given in accordance with the Depository's procedures containing information regarding the participant account of the Depository and the Euroclear or Clearstream account to be credited with the increase,

(C) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-3 given by the Holder of the beneficial interest stating that the exchange or transfer of the interest has been made in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Global Notes, including that the Holder or the transferee, as applicable, is not a U.S. person, and that the transfer has been made pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S, and

(D) in the case of a transfer, a certificate in the applicable form of Exhibit B-1 given by the proposed transferee stating that it is not a U.S. person.

(iii) *Regulation S Global Note to Rule 144A Global Note.* If a Holder of a Senior Note held as a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note deposited with the Depository wishes at any time to exchange its interest in the Regulation S Global Note for an interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note or to transfer its interest in the Regulation S Global Note to a Person who wishes to take delivery of it in the form of an interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note, the Holder may, subject to the rules and procedures of Euroclear, Clearstream or the Depository, as the case may be, exchange or transfer, or cause the exchange or transfer of, the interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note. Upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of:

(A) instructions from Euroclear, Clearstream or the Depository, as the case may be, directing the Indenture Registrar to cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note equal to the beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Note, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to the Holder's Senior Notes, to be exchanged or transferred, the instructions to contain information regarding the participant account with the Depository to be credited with the increase,

(B) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-2 given by the Holder of the beneficial interest and stating that, in the case of an exchange, the Holder is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser or, in the case of a transfer, the Person transferring the interest in the Regulation S Global Note reasonably

believes that the Person acquiring the interest in a Rule 144A Global Note is a Qualified Institutional Buyer, is obtaining the beneficial interest in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction, and a Qualified Purchaser, and

(C) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-1 given by the proposed transferee stating that it is a QIB/QP,

the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository to reduce the Regulation S Global Note by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Note to be transferred or exchanged and the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository, concurrently with the reduction, to credit to the securities account of the Person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note equal to the reduction in the principal amount of the Regulation S Global Note.

(iv) *Other Exchanges.* If a Global Note is exchanged for Senior Notes in definitive registered form without interest coupons pursuant to Section 2.11, the Senior Notes may be exchanged for one another only in accordance with procedures substantially consistent with the provisions above (including certification requirements intended to insure that the transfers are made only to Holders who are QIB/QPs or non-U.S. persons, or otherwise comply with Regulation S, as the case may be), and as may be from time to time adopted by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee.

(g) So long as the Class D Notes remain Outstanding transfers of such Class D Notes shall only be made in accordance with Section 2.6(c) and this Section 2.6(g) upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of (i) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-4 given by the proposed transferee stating that it is a QIB/QP and containing other representations, warranties and agreements of such transferee and (ii) (A) appropriate documentation required under the Code and the applicable Treasury regulations establishing that the beneficial owner of the Class D Notes to be transferred is either not a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-8BEN or an IRS Form W-8IMY with appropriate attachments) or a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-9) and (B) if such beneficial owner of Class D Notes to be transferred is treated as a partnership, S-corporation or grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a written representation from such beneficial owner that (1) there will not be any interests in such beneficial owner where substantially all of the value of such interest is attributable to the value of the Class D Notes proposed to be transferred to such beneficial owner, together with the value of any Class D Notes, Holding Preference Shares and Preference Shares already held by such beneficial owner and (2) such beneficial owner is not a part of any arrangement a principal purpose of which is to cause the Class D Notes and Preference Shares to be treated as owned by 100 persons or less within the meaning of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h). In addition, neither the Trustee nor the Issuer shall recognize any transfers of Class D Notes, and any such proposed transfer shall be null and void, if (a) the proposed transfer will cause the Issuer to have more than ninety-nine beneficial owners (as determined for purposes of the provisions of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h)) of its Class D Notes and Preference Shares unless it receives the consent of all of the Holders of the Preference Shares and an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that Holders of the Notes will not recognize gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such transfer, and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such transfer had not been made or (b) such transfer was made pursuant to a trade on an Established Securities Market. The Trustee shall contact the Preference Shares Paying Agent to determine the number of beneficial owners of the Preference Shares. The Trustee shall provide, upon request by the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the number of beneficial owners of the Class D Notes.

(h) If the Notes are issued upon the transfer, exchange, or replacement of Notes bearing the applicable legends in the applicable forms in Exhibit A, as applicable, and if a request is made to remove the legend on the Notes, the legend shall not be removed unless the Trustee and the Applicable Issuers received satisfactory evidence, which may include an Opinion of Counsel acceptable to them, reasonably required by the Applicable Issuers (and which shall by its terms permit reliance by the Trustee), to the effect that neither the legend nor the restrictions on transfer in it are required to ensure that transfers of the Notes comply with the Securities Act, the Investment Company Act, ERISA and the Code. Upon provision of satisfactory evidence, the Trustee or its Authenticating Agent, at the written direction of the Applicable Issuers shall, after due execution by the Applicable Issuers authenticate and deliver Notes that do not bear the applicable legend.

(i) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Section 2.6 to the contrary:

(i) Restrictions on U.S. Transfers. Transfers of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note that are not made in an offshore transaction pursuant to Regulation S or are made to U.S. Persons, if such transferees take delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note, shall be limited to transfers made pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.6(f)(iii) and Section 2.6(f)(iv).

(ii) Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may only be held through Euroclear or Clearstream.

(j) (i) Each Person who becomes a beneficial owner of a Senior Note evidenced by: (A) an interest in a Definitive Note, shall make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in the applicable Transferee Certificate set forth in Exhibit B-1 upon such Person's purchase or other acquisition of the relevant Definitive Note and (B) an interest in a Global Note, shall be deemed to make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in the applicable legends of the Notes set forth in Exhibit A-1 hereto and in the applicable Transferee Certificate set forth in Exhibit B-1 hereto upon such Person's purchase or other acquisition of the relevant Global Note.

(ii) Each Person who becomes a beneficial owner of a Class D Note shall make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in the Transferee Certificate set forth in Exhibit B-4 upon such Person's purchase or other acquisition of such Class D Note.

(k) The aggregate principal amount of any Global Note may be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee, as custodian for DTC for the Global Note, which adjustments shall be conclusive as to the aggregate principal amount of any Global Note.

(l) Any purported transfer of a Note not in accordance with this Section 2.6 shall be null and void.

#### Section 2.7. ***Mutilated, Destroyed, Lost or Stolen Notes.***

If the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, and the relevant Transfer Agent receive evidence to their satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of any Note, and they receive the security or indemnity they require to hold each of them harmless, or if any mutilated Note is surrendered to a Transfer Agent, then, in the absence of notice to the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, or the Transfer Agent that the Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the Applicable Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in exchange for the mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Note, a replacement Note, of like tenor and equal principal or face amount.

If, after delivery of the replacement Note or payment on it, a protected purchaser of the predecessor Note presents it for payment, transfer, or exchange, the Applicable Issuers, the Transfer Agent, and the Trustee may recover the replacement Note (or the payment on it) from the Person to whom it was delivered or any Person taking the replacement Note from the Person to whom the replacement Note was delivered or any assignee of that Person, except a protected purchaser, and may recover on the security or indemnity provided therefor to the extent of any loss, damage, cost, or expense incurred by the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, and the Transfer Agent in connection with it.

If the final payment in respect of any mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Note has become payable, the Applicable Issuers in their discretion may, instead of issuing a new Note pay the Note without requiring its surrender except that any mutilated Note shall be surrendered.

Upon the issuance of any new Note under this Section, the Applicable Issuers or the Trustee may require the payment by its holder of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with the issuance and any other expenses (including the fees and expenses of the Trustee) connected with it.

Every new Note issued pursuant to this Section in replacement for any mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Note shall be an original additional contractual obligation of the Applicable Issuers and the new Note shall be entitled to all the benefits of this Indenture equally and proportionately with all other Notes of the same Class duly issued under this Indenture, as applicable.

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

Section 2.8. ***Payment of Principal and Interest and Other Amounts; Principal and Interest Rights Preserved; Withholding.***

(a) The Notes of each Class shall accrue interest during each Interest Period on their Aggregate Outstanding Amount (determined as of the first day of the Interest Period and after giving effect to any redemption or other payment of principal occurring on that day) at the Applicable Note Interest Rate. Interest shall be payable in arrears on each Payment Date. Payment of interest on each Class of Notes shall be subordinated to the payments of interest on the related Priority Classes and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of interest due on the Class of Deferred Interest Notes that is not available to be paid ("***Deferred Interest***") in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered "payable" for the purposes of this Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Interest shall cease to accrue on each Note, or in the case of a partial repayment, on the part repaid, from the date of repayment or its Stated Maturity unless payment of principal is improperly withheld or unless there is some other default with respect to the payments of principal.

To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for the Class (and to the extent not

paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest, until paid as provided in this Indenture.

(b) The principal of each Note of each Class matures at par and is payable on the Payment Date that is the Stated Maturity for the Class of Notes, unless the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable at an earlier date by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the payment of principal of each Class of Notes:

(i) may only occur after principal on each Class of Notes that is a Priority Class with respect to the Class has been paid in full; and

(ii) is subordinated to the payment on each Payment Date of the principal and interest payable on the Priority Classes, and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments;

provided that, notwithstanding the foregoing, Interest Proceeds may be used to pay principal of the Class D Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class D Coverage Tests.

(c) Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Section 9.1.

(d) As a condition to the payment of principal of and interest on any Note without the imposition of U.S. withholding tax, the Paying Agent shall require the previous delivery of appropriate properly completed and signed original forms United States federal income tax certifications (generally, an Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a Person that is a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code or an appropriate Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a Person that is not a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) or any other certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, and any Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments on the Note under any present or future law of the United States or any present or future law of any political subdivision of the United States or taxing authority in the United States or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under any such law.

(e) Payments in respect of interest on and principal of any Note shall be made by the Trustee, or by the Irish Paying Agent, if applicable, in U.S. Dollars to the Depository or its designee with respect to a Global Note and to the Holder or its nominee with respect to a Definitive Note and a Class D Note, by wire transfer, as directed by the Holder, in immediately available funds to a U.S. Dollar account maintained by the Depository or its nominee with respect to a Global Note, and to the Holder or its designee with respect to a Definitive Note and a Class D Note. In the case of a Definitive Note and a Class D Note, its Holder has provided written wiring instructions to the Trustee and, if the payment with respect to a Definitive Note is to be made by the Irish Paying Agent, the Irish Paying Agent, on or before the related Record Date.

If appropriate instructions for the wire transfer are not received by the related Record Date, then the payment will be made by check drawn on a U.S. bank mailed to the address of the Holder in the Indenture Register. Upon final payment due on the Maturity of a Note, its Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the office designated by the Trustee on or before the Maturity. If the Trustee and the Applicable Issuers have been furnished the security or indemnity they require to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the certificate, then, in the

absence of notice to the Applicable Issuers or the Trustee that the applicable Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender. Neither the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Share Registrar nor any Paying Agent shall have any responsibility or liability for any aspects of the records maintained by Euroclear, Clearstream, or any of the Agent Members relating to or for payments made thereby on account of beneficial interests in a Global Note.

In the case where any final payment of principal and interest is to be made on any Note (other than on its Stated Maturity and except as otherwise provided in this Indenture), the Trustee, in the name and at the expense of the Applicable Issuers shall, not more than 30 nor less than 10 days before the date on which the payment is to be made, mail (by first-class mail, postage prepaid) to the Persons entitled thereto at their addresses appearing on the Indenture Register, a notice specifying the date on which the payment will be made, the amount of the payment per U.S.\$100,000 original principal amount of Notes and the place where the Notes may be presented and surrendered for payment. If the Trustee and the Issuer have been furnished any security or indemnity they require to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the certificate, then, in the absence of notice to the Issuer or the Trustee that the applicable certificate has been acquired by a protected purchaser, final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender of the applicable certificate.

(f) Payments of principal to Holders of the Notes of each Class shall be made in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes of the Class registered in the name of each Holder on the applicable Record Date bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Notes of the Class on the Record Date.

(g) Interest accrued shall be calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in the applicable Interest Period divided by 360.

(h) All reductions in the principal amount of a Note (or one or more predecessor Notes) effected by payments of installments of principal made on any Payment Date or Redemption Date shall be binding on all future Holders of the Note and of any Note issued upon the registration of its transfer, exchange, or replacement, whether or not the payment is noted on the Note.

(i) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the obligations of the Applicable Issuers under the Notes and under this Indenture are limited recourse obligations of the Applicable Issuers payable solely from the Collateral and following realization of the assets, application of their proceeds in accordance with this Indenture and the reduction of the proceeds of the Collateral to zero, all obligations of, and any claims against, the Co-Issuers under this Indenture or under the Notes or arising in connection therewith shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. No recourse shall be had against any Officer, director, employee, shareholder, or incorporator of either of the Co-Issuers or their respective successors or assigns for any amounts payable under the Notes or this Indenture. The foregoing provisions of this paragraph (i) shall not (1) prevent recourse to the Collateral for the sums due or to become due under any security, instrument, or agreement that is part of the Collateral or (2) be a waiver, release, or discharge of any indebtedness or obligation evidenced by the Notes or secured by this Indenture until the Collateral have been realized. The foregoing provisions of this paragraph (i) shall not limit the right of any Person to name the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as a party defendant in any Proceeding or in the exercise of any other remedy under the Notes or this Indenture, so long as no judgment in the nature of a deficiency judgment or seeking personal liability is sought or (if obtained) enforced against the person.



(j) If any withholding tax is imposed on the Issuer's payment (or allocations of income) under the Notes to any Noteholder, the tax shall reduce the amount otherwise distributable to the Noteholder. The Trustee is hereby authorized and directed to retain from amounts otherwise distributable to any Noteholder sufficient funds for the payment of any tax that is legally owed, or required by law to be collected, by or on behalf of the Issuer (but the authorization shall not prevent the Trustee or the Issuer from contesting any such tax in appropriate proceedings and withholding payment of the tax, if permitted by law, pending the outcome of the proceedings). The amount of any withholding tax imposed with respect to any Noteholder shall be treated as Cash distributed to the Noteholder when it is withheld by the Trustee and remitted to the appropriate taxing authority. If there is a possibility that withholding tax is payable with respect to a distribution, the Trustee may in its sole discretion withhold the amounts in accordance with this Section 2.8(j). If any Noteholder wishes to apply for a refund of any such withholding tax, the Trustee shall reasonably cooperate with the Noteholder in making the claim by providing information readily available to the Trustee so long as the Noteholder agrees to reimburse the Trustee for any out-of-pocket expenses incurred and provides the Trustee with security reasonably acceptable to the Trustee assuring the reimbursement. The Trustee hereby provides notice to each Noteholder that the failure by the Noteholder to provide the Trustee with appropriate tax certifications may result in amounts being withheld from payments to the Noteholder. Nothing in this Indenture shall impose an obligation on the part of the Trustee to determine the amount of any tax or withholding obligation on the part of the Issuer or in respect of the Notes.

**Section 2.9. *Persons Considered Owners.***

The Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, and any agent of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee may treat as the owner of the Note the Person in whose name any Note is registered on the Indenture Register on the applicable Record Date for the purpose of receiving payments on the Note and on any other date for all other purposes whatsoever (whether or not the Note is overdue), and neither the Issuer, the Co-Issuer nor the Trustee nor any agent of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee shall be affected by notice to the contrary. Pursuant to the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will notify the Trustee, the Share Registrar and the Holding Share Registrar of any Affiliate of the Servicer that owns any of the Transaction Securities.

**Section 2.10. *Cancellation.***

All Notes surrendered for payment, registration of transfer, exchange, or redemption, or lost or stolen, shall be promptly canceled by the Trustee and may not be reissued or resold. No Notes shall be authenticated in lieu of or in exchange for any Notes canceled as provided in this Section 2.10, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture. All canceled Notes held by the Trustee shall be destroyed by the Trustee in accordance with its standard policy unless the Applicable Issuers direct by an Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee prior to cancellation and destruction that they be returned to the Issuer.

**Section 2.11. *Definitive Notes.***

(a) A Global Note deposited with the Depository pursuant to Section 2.2 shall be transferred in the form of a Definitive Note to its beneficial owners only if the transfer complies with Section 2.6 and either

(i) the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as Depository for the Global Note or

(ii) if at any time the Depository ceases to be a Clearing Agency registered under the Exchange Act and, in each case, a successor depository is not appointed by the Co-Issuers within 90 days after the notice.

(b) Any Global Note that is transferable in the form of a Definitive Note to its beneficial owners pursuant to this Section 2.11 shall be surrendered by the Depository to the office of the Trustee's agent located in the City of New York, New York as specified in Section 7.2 (or any other office designated by the Trustee) to be so transferred, in whole or from time to time in part, without charge, and the Applicable Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, upon the transfer of each portion of the Global Note, an equal aggregate principal amount of definitive physical certificates (pursuant to the instructions of the Depository) (each, a "**Definitive Note** ") in authorized denominations. Any Definitive Note delivered in exchange for an interest in a Global Note, as applicable, shall, except as otherwise provided by Section 2.6(j), bear the legends in the applicable portion of Exhibit A-1 and shall be subject to the transfer restrictions referred to in the legends.

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

(d) Upon the occurrence of either of the events specified in Section 2.11(a)(i) and (ii), the Co-Issuers shall promptly make available to the Trustee a reasonable supply of Definitive Notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons.

The Definitive Notes shall be in substantially the same form as the Global Notes, with any changes the Issuer and Trustee agree to and the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in exchange therefor, the same aggregate principal amount of Definitive Notes of authorized denominations.

#### Section 2.12. *Notes Beneficially Owned by Non-Permitted Holders.*

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary elsewhere in this Indenture, (i) any transfer of a beneficial interest in any Global Note to a U.S. person (for purposes of this Section 2.12 as defined in Regulation S) that is not a QIB/QP and that is not made pursuant to an applicable exemption under the Securities Act and (ii) any transfer of a beneficial interest in any Class D Note to a Person that is not a QIB/QP, shall be void and any such purported transfer of which the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee has notice may be disregarded by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Trustee for all purposes.

(b) After discovery by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee (and notice by the Trustee or the Co-Issuer to the Issuer, if either of them makes the discovery) that a Person is a Non-Permitted Holder, the Issuer shall promptly send notice to the Non-Permitted Holder demanding that the Non-Permitted Holder transfer its interest to a Person that is not a Non-Permitted Holder within 30 days of the date of the notice. If the Non-Permitted Holder fails to so transfer its Notes or interest in the Notes without further notice to the Non-Permitted Holder, the Issuer may sell the Notes or interest in the Notes to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is not a Non-Permitted Holder on any terms the Issuer chooses. The Issuer, or the Trustee acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting bids (or by appointing an investment bank at the expense of the Issuer to solicit bids) from brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Notes, and selling the Notes, or interest in the Notes to the highest bidder. However, the Issuer or the Trustee may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The

Holder of each Note, the beneficial owner of each interest in a Note, the Non-Permitted Holder, and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder or beneficial owner to the Non-Permitted Holder, by its acceptance of an interest in the Notes agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Trustee to effect the transfers. The proceeds of the sale, net of any commissions, expenses of the Trustee or otherwise, and taxes due in connection with the sale shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted Holder. The terms of any sale under this subsection shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer (or the Trustee acting on its behalf), and the Issuer and the Trustee shall not be liable to any Person having an interest in the Notes sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of its discretion.

Section 2.13 ***Tax Purposes***

The Issuer agrees, and each Holder and each beneficial owner of a Note, by acceptance of its Note or its interest in a Note, as the case may be, shall be deemed to have agreed, to treat, and shall treat, such Note as unconditional debt of the Issuer for tax, accounting and financial reporting purposes.

## ARTICLE 3

### CONDITIONS PRECEDENT

Section 3.1. ***Conditions to Issuance of Notes on Closing Date.***

(a) The Notes to be issued on the Closing Date shall be executed by the Applicable Issuers and delivered to the Trustee for authentication and thereupon the same shall be authenticated and delivered by the Trustee upon Issuer Order and upon receipt by the Trustee of the following:

(i) *Officers' Certificates of the Co-Issuers Regarding Corporate Matters.* An Officer's certificate of each of the Co-Issuers:

(A) (1) evidencing (x) the authorization by Board Resolution of the execution and delivery of this Indenture and the Note Purchase Agreement and, in the case of the Issuer, the Servicing Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Hedge Agreements being entered into on or before the Closing Date (if any), and related transaction documents and (y) the execution, authentication and delivery of the Notes applied for by it and specifying the Stated Maturity, principal amount and the Note Interest Rate of each applicable Class of Notes to be authenticated and delivered and (2) with respect to the Issuer only, evidencing the authorization by Board Resolution of the issuance, terms and number of Preference Shares issued on the Closing Date, and that each of the foregoing is in accordance with the terms of the Board Resolution, and

(B) certifying that (1) the attached copy of the Board Resolution is an accurate copy, (2) the resolutions have not been rescinded and are in full force on and as of the Closing Date and (3) the Officers authorized to execute and deliver the documents hold the offices and have the signatures indicated on the documents.

(ii) *Governmental Approvals.* From each of the Co-Issuers either:

(A) a certificate of the Applicable Issuer or other official document evidencing the due authorization, approval or consent of any governmental bodies, at the time having jurisdiction in the premises, together with an Opinion of Counsel of the Applicable Issuer that no other authorization, approval or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of the Notes applied for by it, or

(B) an Opinion of Counsel of the Applicable Issuer that no authorization, approval, or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of the Notes except as have been given; provided that the opinions of Latham & Watkins, LLP and Ogier, substantially in the forms of Exhibit C and Exhibit D, respectively, shall satisfy this clause (B).

(iii) *Co-Issuers' and Servicer's U.S. Counsel Opinion.* Opinions of Latham & Watkins LLP, special U.S. counsel to the Co-Issuers, and an opinion of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, counsel to the Servicer, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the forms of Exhibit C and Exhibit F.

(iv) *Issuer's Cayman Counsel Opinion.* An opinion of Ogier, Cayman Islands counsel to the Issuer, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit D.

(v) *Trustee's Counsel Opinion.* An opinion of Nixon Peabody LLP, counsel to the Trustee, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit E.

(vi) *Officers' Certificates of Co-Issuers Regarding Indenture.* An Officer's certificate of each of the Co-Issuers stating that, to the best of the Officer's knowledge,

(A) the Applicable Issuer is not in default under this Indenture and that the issuance of the Notes applied for by it will not result in a default or a breach of, or be a default under, its organizational documents, any indenture or other agreement or instrument to which it is a party or by which it is bound, or any order of any court or administrative agency entered in any Proceeding to which it is a party or by which it may be bound or to which it may be subject;

(B) all conditions precedent in this Indenture relating to the authentication and delivery of the applicable Notes have been complied with; and

(C) all expenses due or accrued with respect to the Offering or relating to actions taken on or in connection with the Closing Date have been paid or reserves therefor have been made.

The Officer's certificate of the Issuer shall also state that, to the best of the Officer's knowledge, all of its representations and warranties contained in this Indenture are accurate as of the Closing Date.

(vii) *Hedge Agreements.* Executed copies of the Hedge Agreements being entered into on or entered into before the Closing Date, if any.

(viii) *Servicing Agreement.* Executed copy of the Servicing Agreement.

(ix) *Preference Shares.* Copies of executed Preference Share certificates to be issued on the Closing Date.

(x) *Preference Share Documents.* An executed counterpart of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

(xi) *Collateral Administration Agreement.* Executed copy of the Collateral Administration Agreement.

(xii) *Grant of Collateral Obligations.* Evidence of the Grant pursuant to the Granting Clauses of this Indenture of all of the Issuer's interest in the Collateral Obligations pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, on the Closing Date and Delivery of the Collateral Obligations (including any promissory notes and all other Underlying Instruments related to them to the extent received by the Issuer) to the Trustee or the Custodian as contemplated by Section 3.2.

(xiii) *Certificate of the Servicer.* A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, in the case of each Collateral Obligation pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, as the case may be, on the Closing Date and immediately before the delivery of the Collateral Obligation on the Closing Date:

(A) the "row/column combination" of the table appearing in the definition of "Ratings Matrix" selected by the Servicer on the Closing Date;

(B) the information with respect to the Collateral Obligation in the Schedule of Collateral Obligations is correct; and

(C) the Collateral Obligation satisfies the requirements of the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and of Section 3.1(xx)(B);

(xiv) *Rating Letters.* An Officer's certificate of the Issuer to the effect that attached is an accurate copy of a letter signed by each Rating Agency and confirming that each Class of Notes rated by the Rating Agency has been assigned the applicable Initial Rating and that the ratings are in full force on the Closing Date.

(xv) *Accounts.* Evidence that each of the Accounts has been established.

(xvi) *Issuer Order for Deposit of Funds into Accounts.* An Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, authorizing the deposit of at least U.S.\$63,081,814.97 into the Collection Account for use pursuant to Section 7.19, the deposit of at least U.S.\$150,000 into the Closing Date Expense Account for use pursuant to Section 10.3(g) and the deposit of at least U.S.\$3,000,000 into the Interest Reserve Account for use pursuant to Section 10.3(i).

(xvii) *Irish Listing.* An Officer's certificate of the Issuer to the effect that application has been made to the Irish Stock Exchange to admit the Senior Notes to the Official List.

(xviii) *Issuer Order for Authentication of Notes.* An Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, directing the Trustee to authenticate the Notes in the amounts, in the registered names and with the CUSIP numbers in the Issuer Order.

(xix) *Accountants' Certificate.* An Accountants' Certificate satisfactory to the Issuer (A) confirming the information with respect to each Collateral Obligation on the Schedule of Collateral Obligations attached as Schedule 1, (B) confirming that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that the Issuer has purchased or committed to purchase in accordance with customary settlement procedures in the relevant markets, is approximately U.S.\$1,400,000,000, that each Concentration Limitation is satisfied taking into account all of the Collateral Obligations acquired as of the Closing Date (including binding agreements to purchase Collateral Obligations in effect on the Closing Date), that the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date and that the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date and a calculation of the Diversity Score, (C) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to this Section 3.1(xix) and (D) confirming the weighted average purchase price of the Collateral Obligations.

(xx) *Certificate of the Issuer Regarding Collateral.* A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, to the knowledge of the Issuer, in the case of each Collateral Obligation pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, as the case may be, on the Closing Date and immediately before the delivery of the Collateral Obligation on the Closing Date:

(A) the Issuer is the owner of the Collateral Obligation free of any liens, claims, or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever except for those that are being released on the Closing Date and except for those Granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture;

(B) the Issuer has acquired its ownership in the Collateral Obligation in good faith without notice of any adverse claim, except as described in paragraph (A) above;

(C) the Issuer has not assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered any interest in the Collateral Obligation (or, if any interest in the Collateral Obligation has been assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered, it has been released before the Closing Date or is being released on the Closing Date) other than interests Granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture;

(D) the Issuer has full right to Grant a security interest in and assign and pledge the Collateral Obligation to the Trustee;

(E) upon Grant by the Issuer, the Trustee has a first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral Obligations and the other Collateral; and

(F) based solely on the Accountant's Certificate set forth in clause (xix) above, the weighted average purchase price of the Collateral Obligations in the Collateral as of the Closing Date is at least 90% of the aggregate par amount thereof.

(xxi) *Certificate of the Issuer Regarding Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice.* A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, on or prior to the Closing Date the Issuer provided to the Depository the Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice, substantially in the form of Exhibit H-2.

(xxii) *Other Documents.* Any other documents the Trustee reasonably requires. Nothing in this clause (xxii) shall imply or impose a duty on the part of the Trustee to require any other documents.

(b) Any Refinancing Note may be issued from time to time pursuant to Section 9.7 hereof. Any such Refinancing Notes shall be executed by the Applicable Issuer and delivered to the Trustee for authentication, and thereupon shall be authenticated and delivered by the Trustee upon and pursuant to Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee, together with delivery to the Trustee by the Issuer of an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that (A) such Refinancing Notes are duly authorized and validly issued by the Applicable Issuer pursuant to the Indenture, constituting the legal, valid and binding obligation of such Applicable Issuer, enforceable against such Issuer in accordance with its terms and (B) all conditions precedent under this Indenture, if any, applicable to the issuance, authentication and delivery of such Notes, have been satisfied.

**Section 3.2. *Custodianship; Delivery of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments.***

(a) The Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall deliver or cause to be delivered to a custodian appointed by the Issuer, which shall be a Securities Intermediary (the "*Custodian*"), all Collateral in accordance with the definition of "Deliver." Initially, the Custodian shall be Investors Bank & Trust Company. Any successor custodian shall be a state or national bank or trust company that is not an Affiliate of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, has a long-term debt rating of at least "BBB+" by S&P and has capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000 and is a Securities Intermediary. Subject to the limited right to relocate Pledged Obligations as provided in Section 7.5(b), the Trustee shall hold all Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, other assets purchased in accordance with this Indenture (other than Loans, Participations and general intangibles) and Cash in the relevant Account established and maintained pursuant to Article 10, as to which in each case the Trustee shall have entered into an agreement with the Custodian substantially in the form of Exhibit G providing, *inter alia*, that the establishment and maintenance of the Account shall be governed by the law of the State of New York.

(b) Each time that the Issuer, or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, directs or causes the acquisition of any Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other assets, the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) shall, if the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other asset is required to be, but has not already been, transferred to the relevant Account, cause the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other asset to be Delivered to the Custodian to be held in the Custodial Account (or in the case of any such asset that is not a Collateral Obligation, in the Account in which the funds used to purchase the asset are held in accordance with Article 10) for the benefit of the Trustee in accordance with this Indenture. The security interest of the Trustee in the funds or other property used in connection with the acquisition shall, immediately and without further action on the part of the Trustee, be released. The security interest of the Trustee shall nevertheless come into existence and continue in the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other asset so acquired, including all interests of the Issuer in to any contracts related to and proceeds of the Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments or other assets.

Section 3.3. ***Representations as to Collateral.***

(a) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants to the Secured Parties as to the Collateral as follows (which representations are repeated on each day on which the Issuer acquires new Collateral):

(i) This Indenture creates a valid and continuing security interest (as defined in the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) in the Collateral in favor of the Trustee, which security interest is prior to all other liens, charges, claims, security interests, mortgages and other encumbrances, and is enforceable as such as against creditors of and purchasers from the Issuer.

(ii) Except for any Securities Lending Collateral and Synthetic Securities Collateral, the Issuer has good and marketable title to and is the owner of each item of Collateral free of any liens, claims, or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever except for liens (A) that are being released on the Closing Date and (B) granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture. The Issuer has a first priority security interest in all Securities Lending Collateral to secure all obligations of Securities Lending Counterparty under the Securities Lending Agreement and a first priority interest in all Synthetic Securities Collateral to secure all obligations of Synthetic Security Counterparty under the Synthetic Securities Agreement.

(iii) The Issuer has not assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered any interest in the Collateral (or, if any interest in the Collateral has been assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered, it has been released before the Closing Date or is being released on the Closing Date) other than interests granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture.

(iv) The Issuer has full right, and has received all consents and approvals required by the related Underlying Instruments, to grant a security interest in its rights in the Collateral to the Trustee.

(v) Each Collateral Obligation included in the Collateral satisfied the requirements of the definition of "Collateral Obligation" as of the date the Issuer committed to purchase the same or, in the case of the Loans with respect to which participations therein were sold to Pre-Closing Parties and repurchased by the Issuer on the Closing Date, as of the Closing Date.

(vi) All Collateral Obligations, any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange did not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, and Eligible Investments (other than, in each case, "general intangibles" within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) have been and will have been credited to one of the Accounts. The securities intermediary for each Account has agreed to treat all assets credited to the Accounts as "financial assets" within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code.

(vii) The Issuer has pledged to the Trustee all of the Issuer's interest in each Collateral Obligation included in the Collateral pursuant to the Granting Clauses of this Indenture and has delivered each Collateral Obligation (including any promissory note and all its other Underlying Instruments to the extent received by the Issuer) to the Trustee or the Custodian as contemplated by Section 3.2.



(viii) Each of the Collateral constitutes "general intangibles," "certificated securities," "instruments," "securities entitlements" or "uncertificated securities," each within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code, or any other category of collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code as to which the Issuer has complied with its obligations under Section 3.3(b).

(ix) The Issuer has caused (or will have caused within 10 days following the Closing Date) the filing of appropriate financing statements in the proper filing offices in the appropriate jurisdictions under applicable law to perfect the security interest in the portion of the Collateral pledged to the Trustee under this Indenture that may be perfected by the filing of financing statements.

(x) The Issuer has not authorized the filing of and is not aware of any financing statements against the Issuer that include a description of collateral covering the Collateral other than any financing statement (A) relating to the security interest granted to the Trustee under this Indenture, (B) that has been terminated or (C) that names the Trustee as the secured party. On the date of this Indenture, the Issuer is not aware of any judgment or Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation or tax lien filings against the Issuer.

(xi) The Issuer has delivered to the Trustee a fully executed agreement pursuant to which the securities intermediary for each Account has agreed to comply with all instructions originated by the Trustee relating to the Account without further consent by the Issuer.

(xii) All original executed copies of each "instrument" (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral have been delivered to the Custodian, to the extent received by the Issuer. The Issuer has received confirmation from the Custodian that the Custodian has credited the instruments to one of the Accounts. None of the instruments that are or evidence the Collateral has any marks or notations indicating that they are then pledged or otherwise assigned to any Person other than the Trustee.

(xiii) The Accounts are not in the name of any Person other than the Issuer or the Trustee. The Issuer has not consented to the securities intermediary of any Account to comply with instructions of any Person other than the Trustee.

(xiv) All "certificated securities" (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral have been delivered to the Custodian, to the extent received by the Issuer, registered in the name of the Custodian or indorsed to the Custodian. The Issuer has received confirmation from the Custodian that the Custodian has credited such certificated securities to one of the Accounts.

(xv) The Issuer has caused all "uncertificated securities" (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral to be registered in the name of the Custodian.

(xvi) Upon grant by the Issuer, the Trustee has a first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral.

The parties to this Indenture shall not waive any of the representations in this Section 3.3, unless the Rating Condition is satisfied in connection with such waiver. The Issuer shall provide each of the Rating Agencies with prompt written notice of any breach of the representations

contained in this Section 3.3 upon becoming aware thereof, and shall not waive a breach of any of the representations in this Section 3.3, unless the Rating Condition is satisfied (as determined after any adjustment or withdrawal of the ratings following notice of such breach) in connection with such waiver.

If the Issuer acquires Collateral that is not "general intangibles," "certificated securities," "instruments," "securities entitlements," or "uncertificated securities," each within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code, or another category of collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code as to which the Issuer has complied with its obligations under this Section 3.3(b), then on or before the date on which the Issuer acquires the Collateral, the Issuer (or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer) shall notify S&P and the Trustee (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) of its acquisition or intended acquisition of the Collateral and the Issuer shall represent to S&P and to the Trustee (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) as to the category of the Collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code and shall make any further representations as to the perfection and priority of the security interest in the Collateral Granted under this Indenture acceptable to S&P.

## ARTICLE 4

### SATISFACTION AND DISCHARGE

#### Section 4.1. *Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture.*

This Indenture shall be discharged and shall cease to be of further effect with respect to the Notes and the Collateral except as to:

- (i) rights of registration of transfer and exchange,
- (ii) substitution of mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Notes,
- (iii) rights of Noteholders to receive payments of principal and interest on, or other amounts (including without limitation Extension Bonus Payments) owing in respect of, the Notes as provided in this Indenture,
- (iv) the rights, indemnities, and immunities of the Trustee under this Indenture and the obligations of the Trustee under Section 7.3 of this Indenture with respect to the holding and paying of unclaimed funds,
- (v) for so long as any Preference Shares remain Outstanding, any provisions hereof conferring any rights or remedies upon the Holders of the Preference Shares or the Preference Shares Paying Agent on behalf of the Holders of the Preference Shares, including but not limited to, the provisions of Articles 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15,
- (vi) for so long as any Preference Shares remain Outstanding, the provisions of Articles 10, 11 and 12 relating to the acquisition, retention and disbursement of Collateral,
- (vi) the rights, obligations, and immunities of the Servicer under this Indenture and under the Servicing Agreement, and
- (vii) the rights of Noteholders as beneficiaries of this Indenture with respect to the property deposited with the Trustee and payable to any of them (and the Trustee, on

demand of and at the expense of the Issuer, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture),

when:

(a) either:

(i) all Notes theretofore authenticated and delivered to Holders of Notes (other than (A) Notes that have been destroyed, lost or stolen and which have been replaced or paid as provided in Section 2.7 and (B) Notes for whose payment money has theretofore irrevocably been deposited in trust and thereafter repaid to the Issuer or discharged from the trust, as provided in Section 7.3), have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation; or

(ii) all Notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation

(A) have become payable, or

(B) will become payable at their Stated Maturity within one year, or

(C) are to be called for redemption pursuant to Article 9 under an arrangement satisfactory to the Trustee for the giving of notice of redemption by the Applicable Issuers pursuant to Section 9.3,

and the Issuer has irrevocably deposited with the Trustee, in trust for payment of the principal and interest on the Notes, Cash or non-callable obligations of the United States of America. The obligations deposited under Section 4.1(a)(ii) with respect to the other Notes must be entitled to the full faith and credit of the United States of America or be debt obligations that are rated "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, in an amount sufficient, as verified by a firm of Independent certified public accountants that are nationally recognized, to pay and discharge the entire indebtedness on the Notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation, for principal and interest to the date of the deposit (in the case of Notes that have become payable), or to the respective Stated Maturity or the respective Redemption Date, as the case may be, and the Issuer shall have Granted to the Trustee a valid perfected security interest in the Eligible Investment that is of first priority, free of any adverse claim, and shall have furnished an Opinion of Counsel with respect thereto. Section 4.1(a)(ii) shall not apply if an election to act in accordance with Section 5.5(a) has been made and not rescinded. In addition, the Issuer shall cause delivery to the Trustee of an Opinion of Counsel of Independent U.S. tax counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters to the effect that the Noteholders would recognize no income, gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of the deposit and satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture;

(b) the Issuer has paid all other sums then payable under this Indenture by the Issuer and no other amounts are scheduled to be payable by the Issuer; and

(c) the Co-Issuers have delivered to the Trustee Officer's certificates and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent in this Indenture provided for relating to the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture have been complied with.

Notwithstanding the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture, the rights and obligations of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Servicer and, if applicable, the Noteholders, as the case may be, under Sections 2.8, 4.2, 5.4(d), 5.9, 5.18, 6.7, 6.8, 7.1, 7.3, 13.1, and 14.13 shall survive.

Section 4.2. ***Application of Trust Money.***

All monies deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 4.1 shall be held in trust for the Person entitled to it and applied by the Trustee in accordance with the Notes and this Indenture, including the Priority of Payments, to the payment of principal and interest, either directly or through any Paying Agent, as the Trustee may determine. The money shall be held in a segregated non-interest bearing trust account identified as being held in trust for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

Section 4.3. ***Repayment of Monies Held by Paying Agent.***

In connection with the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture with respect to the Notes, all monies then held by any Paying Agent other than the Trustee under this Indenture shall, upon demand of the Co-Issuers, be paid to the Trustee to be held and applied pursuant to Section 7.3 and in accordance with the Priority of Payments and thereupon the Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to the monies.

## ARTICLE 5

### REMEDIES

Section 5.1. ***Events of Default.***

"***Event of Default***," wherever used in this Indenture, means any one of the following events whatever the reason:

(a) a default for four Business Days in the payment of any interest on any Class of Notes that is currently part of the Controlling Class when it becomes payable (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, the Irish Paying Agent or the Indenture Registrar, after seven Business Days);

(b) a default in the payment of principal (including Deferred Interest) of any Note, when the same becomes payable, at its Stated Maturity or on the Redemption Date;

(c) the failure on any Payment Date to disburse amounts available in the Payment Account in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the failure continues for three Business Days;

(d) on any Measurement Date for so long as any Class A-1a Notes or Class A-1b Notes are Outstanding, the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio is less than 100%;

(e) either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral becomes an investment company under the Investment Company Act;

(f) breach of any other covenant or other agreement of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture (other than any failure to satisfy any of the Collateral Quality Tests, any of the Concentration Limitations, any of the Coverage Tests, the Retention Overcollateralization Test, or other covenants or agreements for which a specific remedy has been provided in this Section 5.1) in any material respect, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant thereto, or in connection therewith, to be correct in any material respect when made, and the breach or failure continues for 30

days after either of the Co-Issuers has actual knowledge of it or after notice to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, and the Servicer by the Trustee or to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class by registered or certified mail or overnight courier specifying the breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that the notice is a "Notice of Default" under this Indenture;

(g) the entry of a decree or order by a court having competent jurisdiction adjudging the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, or composition of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, and if the decree or order remains unstayed and in effect for 45 consecutive days;

(h) the institution by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of Proceedings to have the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as the case may be, adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings against the Issuer or Co-Issuer, or the filing by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Bankruptcy Law or any other similar applicable law, or the consent by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or the taking of any action by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in furtherance of any such action; or

(i) one or more final judgments is rendered against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer that exceed in the aggregate U.S.\$2,000,000 (or any lesser amount specified by any Rating Agency) and that remain unstayed, undischarged, and unsatisfied for 30 days after the judgments become nonappealable, unless adequate funds have been reserved or set aside for their payment, and unless (except as otherwise specified in writing by Moody's) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereon.

**Section 5.2. *Notice of Event of Default; Acceleration of Maturity; Rescission and Annulment.***

(a) Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Trustee shall give prompt (and in no event later than five Business Days after becoming aware of such event) notice thereof to the Noteholders.

(b) If an Event of Default is continuing (other than an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h)), the Trustee may, with consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class, and shall, upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, declare the principal of all the Notes to be immediately payable by notice to the Applicable Issuers and the Noteholders, and upon that declaration the unpaid principal of all the Notes, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), and other amounts payable under this Indenture, shall become immediately payable. The Replacement Period shall terminate upon a declaration of acceleration (subject to re-commencement pursuant to Section 5.2(c)). If an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h) occurs, all unpaid principal, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), of all the Notes, and other amounts payable under this Indenture, shall automatically become payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any Noteholder and the Replacement Period shall terminate automatically (subject to re-commencement pursuant to Section 5.2(c)).

(c) At any time after the declaration of acceleration of maturity has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may rescind the declaration and its consequences:

(i) The Issuer or the Co-Issuer has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:

(A) all unpaid installments of interest and principal on the Notes then due;

(B) to the extent that payment of the interest is lawful, interest on any Deferred Interest and Defaulted Interest at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable;

(C) all Administrative Expenses of the Co-Issuers and other sums paid or advanced by the Trustee under this Indenture;

(D) all unpaid Senior Servicing Fees;

(E) all amounts then payable to any Hedge Counterparty; and

(ii) The Trustee has determined that all Events of Default, other than the non-payment of the interest on or principal of the Notes, have been (A) cured, and a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Trustee has agreed with that determination, or (B) waived as provided in Section 5.14.

No such rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right consequent thereon. The Issuer shall not terminate any Hedge Agreement at any time after a declaration of acceleration of Maturity of the Notes has been made, unless such declaration and its consequences may no longer be rescinded and annulled in accordance with this Section 5.2(c) and liquidation of the Collateral has begun.

If a declaration of acceleration is rescinded as described above:

(x) the Replacement Period, if terminated by the declaration, shall re-commence on the date of the rescission (unless the Replacement Period would have otherwise terminated before that date pursuant to clauses (i), (ii), or (iii) of its definition); and

(y) the Trustee shall retain the Collateral in accordance with this Indenture. If the retention of the Collateral is rescinded pursuant to Section 5.5, the Notes may again be accelerated pursuant to Section 5.2(b), notwithstanding any previous rescission of a declaration of acceleration pursuant to this Section 5.2(c)).

No rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right resulting from the Default.

(d) Notwithstanding anything in this Section 5.2 to the contrary, the Notes will not be subject to acceleration by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class or any other Holders solely as a result of the failure to pay any amount due on Notes that are not of the Controlling Class.

Section 5.3. *Collection of Indebtedness and Suits for Enforcement by Trustee.*

The Applicable Issuers covenant that if a default occurs in the payment of any principal of or interest when payable on any Note, upon demand of the Trustee or the Holder of any affected Note, the Applicable Issuers shall pay to the Trustee, for the benefit of the Holder of the Note, the whole amount then payable on the Note for principal and interest with interest on the overdue principal and, to the extent that payments of the interest shall be legally enforceable, on overdue installments of interest and all other amounts owing to the Noteholders under this Indenture, at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable, and, in addition, an amount sufficient to cover the costs and expenses of collection, including the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee and the Holders and their agents and counsel.

If the Issuer or the Co-Issuer fails to pay those amounts immediately on demand, the Trustee, in its own name and as Trustee of an express trust, may (after giving prior written notice to the Controlling Class and absent the Trustee having received a written direction to the contrary from the Controlling Class), and shall at the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class (subject to Section 6.3(e)), institute a Proceeding for the collection of the sums due, may prosecute the Proceeding to judgment or final decree, and may enforce the same against the Applicable Issuers or any other obligor on the Notes and collect the monies determined to be payable in the manner provided by law out of the Collateral.

If an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee may (after giving prior written notice to the Controlling Class and absent the Trustee having received a written direction to the contrary from the Controlling Class), and shall upon written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class (subject to Section 6.3(e)), proceed to protect and enforce its rights and the rights of the Noteholders by any appropriate Proceedings as is deemed most effective (if no direction is received by the Trustee) or as the Trustee may be directed by a Majority of the Controlling Class, to protect and enforce the rights of the Trustee and the Noteholders, whether for the specific enforcement of any agreement in this Indenture or in aid of the exercise of any power granted in this Indenture, or to enforce any other proper remedy or legal or equitable right vested in the Trustee by this Indenture or by law. The reasonable compensation, costs, expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or paid by the Trustee and its agents and counsel, in connection with such Proceeding, including, without limitation, the exercise of any remedies pursuant to Section 5.4, shall be reimbursed to the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.8.

If any Proceedings are pending relating to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any other obligor on the Notes under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law, or if a receiver, assignee, or trustee in bankruptcy or reorganization, liquidator, sequestrator or similar official has been appointed for or taken possession of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or their respective property or any other obligor on the Notes or its property, or if any other comparable Proceedings are pending relating to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or other obligor on the Notes, or the creditors or property of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or other obligor on the Notes, the Trustee, regardless of whether the principal of any Notes is then payable by declaration or otherwise and regardless of whether the Trustee has made any demand pursuant to this Section 5.3, may, by intervention in the Proceedings or otherwise:

(a) file and prove claims for the whole amount of principal and interest owing and unpaid in respect of the Notes, and file any other papers or documents appropriate and take any other appropriate action (including sitting on a committee of creditors) to have the claims of the Trustee (including any claim for reasonable compensation to the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, and their respective agents, attorneys, and counsel, and for reimbursement of all expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, except as a result of

negligence or bad faith) and of the Noteholders allowed in any Proceedings relating to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or other obligor on the Notes or to the creditors or property of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or other obligor on the Notes;

(b) unless prohibited by applicable law, vote on behalf of the Noteholders in any election of a trustee or a standby trustee in arrangement, reorganization, liquidation or other bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings or Person performing similar functions in comparable Proceedings; and

(c) collect and receive any monies or other property payable to or deliverable on any such claims, and distribute all amounts received with respect to the claims of the Noteholders and of the Trustee on their behalf; and any trustee, receiver or liquidator, custodian or other similar official is authorized by each of the Noteholders to make payments to the Trustee, and, if the Trustee consents to making payments directly to the Noteholders, to pay to the Trustee amounts sufficient to cover reasonable compensation to the Trustee, each predecessor Trustee, and their respective agents, attorneys, and counsel, and all other reasonable expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee except as a result of negligence or bad faith.

Nothing in this Indenture shall authorize the Trustee to authorize or consent to or vote for or accept or adopt on behalf of the Holder of any Note, any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition affecting the Notes or any Noteholder, or to authorize the Trustee to vote on the claim of the Holder of any Note in any Proceeding except, as aforesaid, to vote for the election of a trustee in bankruptcy or similar Person.

Notwithstanding anything in this Section 5.3 to the contrary, the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Collateral or institute Proceedings in furtherance of the sale or liquidation of the Collateral pursuant to this Section 5.3 except according to Section 5.5(a).

#### Section 5.4. ***Remedies.***

(a) If an Event of Default is continuing, and the Notes have been declared payable and the declaration and its consequences have not been rescinded, or at any time after the Stated Maturity, the Co-Issuers agree that the Trustee may (after giving prior written notice to the Controlling Class and absent the Trustee having received a written direction to the contrary from the Controlling Class), and shall, upon written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class (subject to Section 6.3(e)), to the extent permitted by applicable law, exercise one or more of the following rights:

(i) institute Proceedings for the collection of all amounts then payable on the Notes or otherwise payable under this Indenture, whether by declaration or otherwise, enforce any judgment obtained, and collect from the Collateral any monies adjudged due;

(ii) sell or liquidate all or a portion of the Collateral or interests in it, at one or more public or private sales called and conducted in any manner permitted by law and in accordance with Section 5.17;

(iii) institute Proceedings from time to time for the complete or partial foreclosure of this Indenture with respect to the Collateral;

(iv) exercise any remedies of a secured party under the UCC and take any other appropriate action to protect and enforce the rights of the Trustee and the Noteholders under this Indenture; and



- (v) exercise any other rights that may be available at law or in equity;

*except* that the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Collateral or institute Proceedings in furtherance of the sale or liquidation of the Collateral pursuant to this Section 5.4 except according to Section 5.5(a).

(b) If an Event of Default as described in Section 5.1(f) is continuing the Trustee may, with the consent of, and shall, at the direction of, the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, subject to Section 5.8, institute a Proceeding solely to compel performance of the covenant or agreement or to cure the representation or warranty, the breach of which gave rise to the Event of Default under Section 5.1(f), and enforce any equitable decree or order arising from the Proceeding.

(c) Upon any sale, whether made under the power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, any Holders or the Servicer (subject to the Servicing Agreement) may bid for and purchase any part of the Collateral and, upon compliance with the terms of sale, may hold, retain, possess, or dispose of the Collateral in its or their own absolute right without accountability.

Upon any sale, whether made under the power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, the receipt of the Trustee, or of the Officer making a sale under judicial Proceedings, shall be a sufficient discharge to the purchasers at any sale for their purchase money, and the purchasers shall not be obliged to see to its application.

Any sale, whether under any power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, shall bind the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Noteholders, shall operate to divest all interest whatsoever, either at law or in equity, of each of them in the property sold, and shall be a perpetual bar, both at law and in equity, against each of them and their successors and assigns, and against all Persons claiming through or under them.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, none of the Trustee, the Secured Parties or the Noteholders may, before the date that is one year and one day (or if longer, any applicable preference period plus one day) after the payment in full of all Notes, institute against, or join any other Person in instituting against, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium, or liquidation Proceedings, or other Proceedings under the Bankruptcy Law or any similar laws in any jurisdiction. Nothing in this Section 5.4 shall preclude the Trustee or any Secured Party (i) from taking any action before the expiration of that period in (A) any case or Proceeding voluntarily filed or commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or (B) any involuntary insolvency Proceeding filed or commenced by a Person other than a Secured Party or (ii) from commencing against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any of its properties any legal action that is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation Proceeding.

#### Section 5.5. ***Optional Retention of Collateral.***

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Indenture, if an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall retain the Collateral, collect, and cause the collection of the proceeds of the Collateral and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Collateral and the Notes, and any Hedge Agreements (other than amounts received under a Hedge Agreement that are used in putting a Replacement Hedge in place), in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Article 10 and Article 12 unless:

(i) the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, determines that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) of Section 11.1(a)(i) and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination; or

(ii) the Holders of a Super Majority of each of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral.

The Trustee shall give written notice of the retention of the Collateral to the Issuer with a copy to the Co-Issuer and the Servicer. So long as the Event of Default is continuing, any retention pursuant to this Section 5.5(a) may be rescinded at any time when the conditions specified in clause (i) or (ii) exist.

(b) Nothing contained in Section 5.5(a) shall be construed to require the Trustee to sell the Collateral if the conditions in clause (i) or (ii) of Section 5.5(a) are not satisfied. Nothing contained in Section 5.5(a) shall be construed to require the Trustee to retain the Collateral if prohibited by applicable law.

(c) In determining whether the condition specified in Section 5.5(a)(i) exists, the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, shall obtain bid prices with respect to each security contained in the Collateral from two nationally recognized dealers (or if there is only one market maker, that market maker and if there is no market maker, from a pricing service) selected and specified by the Servicer to the Trustee in writing, at the time making a market in those securities, and shall compute the anticipated proceeds of sale or liquidation on the basis of the lower of the bid prices for each security. In addition, for the purposes of determining issues relating to the valuation of the Collateral, the satisfaction of the conditions specified in this Indenture, the execution of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral, and the execution of a sale or other liquidation of the Collateral in connection with a determination whether the condition specified in Section 5.5(a)(i) exists, the Trustee may retain, at the Issuer's expense, and rely on an opinion of an Independent investment banking firm of national reputation, which may be the Initial Purchaser.

The Trustee shall deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Noteholders, the Co-Issuers, the Servicer and the Hedge Counterparties a report stating the results of any determination required pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i). The Trustee shall make the determinations required by Section 5.5(a)(i) after an Event of Default at the request of a Majority of the Controlling Class at any time during which the Trustee retains the Collateral pursuant to Section 5.5(a). The Trustee shall obtain (at the Issuer's expense) a letter of a firm of Independent certified public accountants confirming the accuracy of each calculation made by the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) and certifying their conformity to the requirements of this Indenture.

(d) Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, the Trustee may not, and the Noteholders representing the requisite percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes specified in Section 5.4 or 5.5, may not instruct the Trustee to sell or liquidate or (except in connection with the concurrent execution of a Replacement Hedge) terminate any Hedge

Agreement during the continuance of an Event of Default until all Collateral other than the Hedge Agreements has been sold or liquidated and its proceeds applied in accordance with this Indenture.

(e) Collateral may not be sold or liquidated pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) after the last date on which the sale or liquidation is permitted under Section 5.5(a)(i) with respect to a determination made pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) (the last permitted date being determined by the Trustee under Section 5.5(a)(i)), unless a new determination is made in accordance with Section 5.5(a)(i) and the Collateral is sold or liquidated before the last sale date permitted in accordance with the new determination.

**Section 5.6. *Trustee May Enforce Claims Without Possession of Notes.***

All rights of action and claims under this Indenture or under any of the Notes may be prosecuted and enforced by the Trustee without the possession of any of the Notes or their production in any trial or other Proceeding relating to them, and any Proceeding instituted by the Trustee shall be brought in its own name as trustee of an express trust, and any recovery of judgment shall be applied as provided in Section 5.7.

In any Proceedings brought by the Trustee (and any Proceedings involving the interpretation of any provision of this Indenture to which the Trustee shall be a party) the Trustee shall be held to represent all the Noteholders.

**Section 5.7. *Application of Money Collected.***

Any money collected by the Trustee with respect to the Notes pursuant to this Article 5 and any money that may then be held or subsequently received by the Trustee with respect to the Notes under this Indenture shall be applied, subject to Section 13.1 and in accordance with Section 11.1, at the dates fixed by the Trustee.

**Section 5.8. *Limitation on Suits.***

No Holder of any Note shall have any right to institute any Proceedings, judicial or otherwise, with respect to this Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy under this Indenture, unless:

(a) the Holder has previously given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default;

(b) the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute Proceedings with respect to the Event of Default in its own name as Trustee under this Indenture and the Holders have offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with the request;

(c) the Trustee for 30 days after its receipt of the notice, request and offer of indemnity has failed to institute a Proceeding; and

(d) no direction inconsistent with the written request has been given to the Trustee during the 30 day period by a Majority of the Controlling Class.

No Noteholder shall have any right in any manner whatsoever by virtue of, or by availing of, any provision of this Indenture to affect the rights of any other Noteholders of the same Class or

to obtain or to seek to obtain priority or preference over any other Holders of Notes of the same Class or to enforce any right under this Indenture, except in the manner provided in this Indenture and for the equal and ratable benefit of all the Holders of Notes of the same Class subject to and in accordance with Section 13.1 and the Priority of Payments or Section 11.2, as the case may be.

If the Trustee receives conflicting or inconsistent requests and indemnity from two or more groups of Holders of the Controlling Class, each representing less than a Majority of the Controlling Class, the Trustee shall take the action requested by the Holders of the largest percentage in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, notwithstanding any other provisions of this Indenture but subject to Section 6.3(e).

**Section 5.9. *Unconditional Rights of Noteholders.***

Notwithstanding any provision of this Indenture other than this Section 5.9 and Sections 2.8(i), 5.4(d), and 13.1, the Holder of any Note shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive payment of the principal of and interest on the Note as it comes due in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Section 13.1, and, subject to Section 5.8, to institute proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment, and that right shall not be impaired without the consent of the Holder. Noteholders ranking junior to Notes still Outstanding may not institute proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment until no Note ranking senior to their Note remains Outstanding, subject to Section 5.8, and shall not be impaired without the consent of any such Holder. For so long as any Notes are Outstanding, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be entitled to any payment of any amount for payments to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, on a claim against the Issuer unless there are sufficient funds to pay such amounts to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

**Section 5.10. *Restoration of Rights and Remedies.***

If the Trustee or the Holder of any Note has instituted any Proceeding to enforce any right under this Indenture and the Proceeding has been discontinued or abandoned for any reason, or has been determined adversely to the Trustee or to the Holder, then, subject to any determination in the Proceeding, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Holder shall be restored to their former positions under this Indenture, and thereafter all rights of the Trustee and the Holder shall continue as though no Proceeding had been instituted.

**Section 5.11. *Rights and Remedies Cumulative.***

No right in this Indenture conferred on or reserved to the Trustee or to the Noteholders is intended to be exclusive of any other right, and every right shall, to the extent permitted by law, be cumulative and in addition to every other right given under this Indenture or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or otherwise. The assertion or employment of any right under this Indenture, or otherwise, shall not prevent the concurrent assertion or employment of any other appropriate right.

**Section 5.12. *Delay or Omission Not Waiver.***

No delay or omission of the Trustee or the Holder of any Note to exercise any right accruing upon any Event of Default shall impair the right or be a waiver of the Event of Default or an acquiescence in it or of a subsequent Event of Default. Every right given by this Article 5 or by law to the Trustee or to the Noteholders may be exercised from time to time, and as often as deemed expedient, by the Trustee or by the applicable Noteholders.

Section 5.13. ***Control by Majority of the Controlling Class.***

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, during the continuance of an Event of Default, a Majority of the Controlling Class may institute and direct the time, method and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any right of the Trustee with respect to the Notes if:

(i) the direction does not conflict with any rule of law or with any express provision of this Indenture; and

(ii) the Trustee has been indemnified to its reasonable satisfaction (and the Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability unless it has received an indemnity against the liability).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, only a Majority of the Controlling Class may direct proceedings with respect to remedies specified in Section 5.4(a) or otherwise with respect to the Collateral.

(b) The Trustee may take any other action deemed proper by the Trustee that is not inconsistent with a direction under Section 5.13(a). Subject to Section 6.1, the Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability or expense (unless the Trustee has received an indemnity against the liabilities and expenses reasonably satisfactory to it) and during the continuance of an Event of Default that has not been cured, or waived, the Trustee shall, before receiving directions from a Majority of the Controlling Class, exercise the rights expressly vested in it by this Indenture and use the same degree of care and skill in their exercise with respect to the Event of Default as is required by Section 6.1(b).

(c) Any direction to the Trustee to undertake a Sale of the Collateral shall be in accordance with Section 5.4 or 5.5.

Section 5.14. ***Waiver of Past Defaults.***

Before a judgment or decree for payment of any money due has been obtained by the Trustee, as provided in this Article 5, a Majority of the Controlling Class may on behalf of the Holders of all the Notes, with respect to the Notes waive any past Default and its consequences, except a Default:

(a) in the payment of the principal or Redemption Price of any Note or in the payment of interest (including Defaulted Interest, Deferred Interest, and any interest on Defaulted Interest or Deferred Interest) on the Notes;

(b) with respect to a provision of this Indenture that under Section 8.2 cannot be modified or amended without the waiver or consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected by the modification or amendment;

(c) in the payment of amounts due to the Servicer, the Trustee or the Hedge Counterparty, which may only be waived with the consent of the affected party; or

(d) arising as a result of an Event of Default described in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h).

Upon any such waiver, the Default shall cease to exist, and any Event of Default arising from it shall be cured, for every purpose of this Indenture, but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other Default or impair any right consequent thereto. The Trustee shall promptly give

written notice of any such waiver to the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Noteholder.

**Section 5.15. *Undertaking for Costs.***

All parties to this Indenture agree, and each Holder of any Note by its acceptance of its Note agrees, that in any suit for the enforcement of any right under this Indenture, or in any suit against the Trustee or the Servicer for any action taken or omitted by it as Trustee or for any action taken or omitted by the Servicer, as applicable, any court may in its discretion require the filing by any party litigant in the suit of an undertaking to pay the costs of the suit, and that the court may in its discretion assess reasonable costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, against any party litigant in the suit, having due regard to the merits and good faith of the claims or defenses made by the party litigant. This Section 5.15 shall not apply to any suit instituted by the Trustee or the Servicer, to any suit instituted by any Holder, or group of Holders, of Notes holding in the aggregate more than 10% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, or to any suit instituted by any Noteholder for the enforcement of the payment of the principal of or interest on any Note or any other amount payable under this Indenture after the applicable Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, after the applicable Redemption Date).

**Section 5.16. *Waiver of Stay or Extension Laws.***

To the extent that they may lawfully do so, the Co-Issuers covenant that they will not at any time insist on, or plead, or in any manner whatsoever claim or take the benefit or advantage of, any stay or extension law or any valuation, appraisal, redemption, or marshalling law or rights, in each case wherever enacted, now or at any time hereafter in force, that may affect the covenants, the performance of, or any remedies under this Indenture. To the extent that they may lawfully do so, the Co-Issuers expressly waive all benefit or advantage of any such law or rights, and covenant that they shall not delay or impede the execution of any power in this Indenture granted to the Trustee or the Noteholders but will permit the execution of every power as though the law had not been enacted or rights created.

**Section 5.17. *Sale of Collateral.***

(a) The power to effect any sale (a "**Sale**") of any portion of the Collateral pursuant to Sections 5.4 and 5.5 shall not be exhausted by any one or more Sales as to any portion of the Collateral remaining unsold, but shall continue unimpaired until the entire Collateral is sold or all amounts secured by the Collateral have been paid. The Trustee may upon notice to the Noteholders and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), and shall, at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class with respect to Collateral, from time to time postpone any Sale by public announcement made at the time and place of the Sale. The Trustee waives its rights to any amount fixed by law as compensation for any Sale. The Trustee may deduct the reasonable expenses (including the reasonable fees and expenses of its agents and attorneys) incurred by it in connection with a Sale from its proceeds notwithstanding Section 6.8.

(b) The Trustee may bid for and acquire any portion of the Collateral in connection with a public Sale of the Collateral, and may pay all or part of the purchase price by crediting against amounts owing on the Notes or other amounts secured by the Collateral all or part of the net proceeds of the Sale after deducting the reasonable expenses incurred by the Trustee in connection with the Sale notwithstanding Section 6.8. The Notes need not be produced to complete any Sale, or for the net proceeds of the Sale to be credited against amounts owing on the Notes. The Trustee may hold, lease, operate, manage or otherwise deal with any property so acquired in any manner permitted by law in accordance with this Indenture.

(c) If any portion of the Collateral consists of securities issued without registration under the Securities Act ("**Unregistered Securities**"), the Trustee may seek an Opinion of Counsel, or, if no Opinion of Counsel can be obtained, seek a no action position from the Securities and Exchange Commission or any other relevant federal or state regulatory authorities, regarding the legality of a public or private Sale of the Unregistered Securities.

(d) The Trustee shall execute and deliver an appropriate instrument of transfer transferring its interest in any portion of the Collateral in connection with its Sale. In addition, the Trustee is irrevocably appointed the agent and attorney-in-fact of the Issuer to transfer its interest in any portion of the Collateral in connection with its Sale, and to take all action necessary to effect the Sale. No purchaser or transferee at a Sale shall be bound to ascertain the Trustee's authority, to inquire into the satisfaction of any conditions precedent, or see to the application of any monies.

**Section 5.18. *Action on the Notes.***

The Trustee's right to seek and recover judgment on the Notes or under this Indenture shall not be affected by the seeking or obtaining of or application for any other relief under or with respect to this Indenture. Neither the lien of this Indenture nor any rights or remedies of the Trustee or the Noteholders shall be impaired by the recovery of any judgment by the Trustee against the Issuer or by the levy of any execution under the judgment on any portion of the Collateral or on any of the assets of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

## ARTICLE 6

### THE TRUSTEE

**Section 6.1. *Certain Duties and Responsibilities.***

(a) Except during the continuance of an Event of Default known to the Trustee:

(i) the Trustee undertakes to perform the duties and only the duties specifically provided in this Indenture, and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Indenture against the Trustee; and

(ii) in the absence of bad faith on its part, the Trustee may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements and the correctness of the opinions expressed therein, on certificates or opinions furnished to the Trustee and conforming to the requirements of this Indenture; the Trustee shall examine any certificates or opinions that by any provision of this Indenture are specifically required to be furnished to the Trustee to determine whether or not they substantially conform on their face to the requirements of this Indenture and shall promptly notify the party delivering the same if the certificate or opinion does not conform. If a corrected form has not been delivered to the Trustee within 15 days after the notice from the Trustee, the Trustee shall so notify the Noteholders and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares).

(b) If the Trustee has actual knowledge that an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall, before the receipt of directions from a Majority of the Controlling Class, exercise the rights and powers vested in it by this Indenture, and use the same degree of care and skill in its exercise, as a prudent Person would use under the circumstances in the conduct of the Person's own affairs.

(c) No provision of this Indenture shall be construed to relieve the Trustee from liability for its own negligent action, its own negligent failure to act or its own willful misconduct, except that:

(i) this subsection shall not be construed to limit the effect of subsection (a) of this Section 6.1;

(ii) the Trustee shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by a Trust Officer, unless it is proven that the Trustee was negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts;

(iii) the Trustee shall not be liable with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in good faith in accordance with the direction of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or the Servicer in accordance with this Indenture or a Majority (or the other percentage required or permitted by this Indenture) of the Controlling Class (or other Class if required or permitted by this Indenture) relating to the time, method, and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred on the Trustee, under this Indenture; and

(iv) no provision of this Indenture shall require the Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any financial liability in the performance of any of its duties under this Indenture, or in the exercise of any of its rights contemplated under this Indenture, if it has reasonable grounds for believing that repayment of the funds or indemnity satisfactory to it against the risk or liability is not reasonably assured to it; provided that the reasonable costs of performing its ordinary services under this Indenture shall not be deemed a "financial liability" for purposes hereof.

(d) For all purposes under this Indenture, the Trustee shall not have notice or knowledge of any Event of Default described in Section 5.1(d) through 5.1(i) or any Default described in Section 5.1(e) through 5.1(i) unless a Trust Officer assigned to and working in the Corporate Trust Office has actual knowledge of it or unless written notice of any event that is in fact the an Event of Default or Default is received by the Trustee at the Corporate Trust Office, and the notice references the Notes generally, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Collateral or this Indenture. For purposes of determining the Trustee's responsibility and liability under this Indenture, whenever reference is made in this Indenture to an Event of Default or a Default, the reference shall be construed to refer only to an Event of Default or Default of which the Trustee has notice as described in this Section 6.1.

(e) Whether or not therein expressly so provided, every provision of this Indenture relating to the conduct or affecting the liability of or affording protection to the Trustee shall be subject to this Section 6.1 and Section 6.3.

#### Section 6.2. *Notice of Default.*

Promptly (and in no event later than five Business Days) after the occurrence of any Default known to the Trustee or after any declaration of acceleration has been made or delivered to the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.2, the Trustee shall transmit notice of all Defaults under this Indenture known to the Trustee, unless the Default has been cured or waived, and of the declaration by mail to the Servicer and the Co-Issuers, each Rating Agency, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and to all Noteholders, as their names and addresses appear on the Indenture Register, the Irish Stock Exchange, for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, and, upon



written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee).

Section 6.3. ***Certain Rights of Trustee.***

Except as otherwise provided in Section 6.1:

(a) the Trustee may rely and shall be protected in acting or refraining from acting on any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, note, or other paper or document (including but not limited to any reports prepared and delivered under Article 10) believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties;

(b) any request or direction of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer mentioned in this Indenture shall be sufficiently evidenced by an Issuer Request or Issuer Order;

(c) whenever in the administration of this Indenture the Trustee

(i) deems it desirable that a matter be proved or established before taking, suffering, or omitting any action under this Indenture, the Trustee may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely on an Officer's certificate (unless other evidence is specifically prescribed in this Indenture) or

(ii) is required to determine the value of, or any other matter with respect to, any Collateral or funds under this Indenture or the cash flows projected to be received therefrom, the Trustee may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely on reports of nationally recognized accountants, investment bankers or other persons qualified to provide the information required to make the determination, including nationally recognized dealers in securities of the type being valued and securities quotation services;

(d) as a condition to taking or omitting to take any action under this Indenture, the Trustee may consult with counsel and the advice of the counsel or any Opinion of Counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection with respect to any action taken or omitted by it under this Indenture in good faith and in reliance thereon;

(e) the Trustee need not exercise any of the rights or powers vested in it by this Indenture at the request or direction of any of the Noteholders pursuant to this Indenture, unless the Holders have offered to the Trustee security or indemnity satisfactory to it against the costs and liabilities that might reasonably be incurred by it in compliance with the request or direction;

(f) the Trustee need not make any investigation into the facts or matters stated in any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, note or other paper or document, but the Trustee, in its discretion, may, and upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, subject to Section 6.3(e), shall, make any the further inquiry or investigation into the facts or matters that it deems appropriate or as it is directed, and the Trustee shall be entitled, on reasonable prior notice to the Co-Issuers and the Servicer, to examine the books and records relating to the Notes, the Collateral, personally or by agent or attorney, during the Co-Issuers' or the Servicer's normal business hours. The Trustee shall, and shall cause its agents to, hold in confidence all such information, except to the extent (i) disclosure may be required by law by any regulatory or administrative authority and (ii) that the Trustee, in its sole judgment, determines that disclosure is consistent with its obligations under this Indenture; provided, however,

that the Trustee may disclose on a confidential basis any such information to its agents, attorneys and auditors in connection with the performance of its responsibilities hereunder;

(g) the Trustee may execute any of the trusts or powers under this Indenture or perform any duties under this Indenture either directly or by or through agents or attorneys, and the Trustee shall not be responsible for any misconduct or negligence on the part of any non-Affiliated agent, or non-Affiliated attorney, appointed with due care by it under this Indenture;

(h) the Trustee shall not be liable for any action it takes or omits to take in good faith that it reasonably believes to be authorized or within its rights or powers under this Indenture;

(i) nothing in this Indenture shall be construed to impose an obligation on the Trustee to recalculate, evaluate, or verify any report, certificate or information received from the Issuer or Servicer;

(j) the Trustee may request and receive (and rely on) instruction from the Issuer, the Servicer, or the accountants identified in the Accountants' Certificate (and in the absence of its receipt of timely instruction from them, may obtain from an Independent accountant at the expense of the Issuer) as to the application of GAAP to the extent any defined term in this Indenture, or any calculation required to be made or determined by the Trustee under this Indenture, is dependent on or defined by reference to United States generally accepted accounting principles ("**GAAP**"), in any instance;

(k) the permissive rights of the Trustee to take or refrain from taking any actions enumerated in this Indenture are not duties;

(l) the Trustee is not responsible for the accuracy of the books and records of, or for any acts or omissions of, the Depository, any Transfer Agent, Custodian, Securities Intermediary, Collateral Administrator, Clearstream, Euroclear, Calculation Agent or any Paying Agent (in each case, other than the Bank acting in that capacity);

(m) in purchasing or disposing of any asset permitted by this Indenture, the Trustee is authorized to deal with itself (in its individual capacity) or with any one or more of its Affiliates, whether it or the Affiliate is acting as a subagent of the Trustee or for any third Person or dealing as principal for its own account. If otherwise qualified, obligations of the Bank or any of its Affiliates shall qualify as Eligible Investments under this Indenture; and

(n) if the Bank is also acting in the capacity of Paying Agent, Transfer Agent, Custodian, Calculation Agent or Securities Intermediary under this Indenture, the rights protections, immunities, and indemnities afforded to the Trustee pursuant to this Article 6 shall also be afforded to the Bank acting in those capacities.

#### Section 6.4. ***Not Responsible for Recitals or Issuance of the Notes.***

The recitals contained in this Indenture and in the Notes, other than the Certificate of Authentication, shall be taken as the statements of the Applicable Issuers. The Trustee assumes no responsibility for their correctness. The Trustee makes no representation as to the validity or sufficiency of this Indenture (except as may be made with respect to the validity of the Trustee's obligations under this Indenture), the Collateral or the Notes. The Trustee shall not be accountable for the use or application by the Co-Issuers of the Notes or their proceeds or any money paid to the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture.

Section 6.5. ***May Hold Notes.***

(a) The Trustee, any Paying Agent, Indenture Registrar or any other agent of the Co-Issuers, in its individual or any other capacity, may become the owner or pledgee of Notes and may otherwise deal with the Co-Issuers or any of their Affiliates with the same rights it would have if it were not Trustee, Paying Agent, Indenture Registrar or other agent.

Section 6.6. ***Acquisition of Class D Notes and Preference Shares***

The Trustee, in its individual or any other capacity, agrees that after the initial distribution of the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares, neither the Trustee nor any of its affiliates (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) will acquire any Class D Notes or Preference Shares (including pursuant to a Maturity Extension, a Refinancing and the Amendment Buy-Out Option) unless such acquisition would not, as determined by the Trustee in reliance on representations made in the applicable transfer certificates with respect thereto, result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of any of the Class D Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such acquisition (determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA, this Indenture and the Preference Share Documents). Any Class D Notes or Preference Shares held as principal by the Trustee or any of its affiliates shall be disregarded and shall not be treated as outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% limitation to the extent that such person has represented that it is not a Benefit Plan Investor.

Section 6.7. ***Money Held in Trust.***

Money held by the Trustee under this Indenture shall be held in trust to the extent required in this Indenture. The Trustee shall be under no liability for interest on any money received by it under this Indenture except as otherwise agreed on with the Issuer and except to the extent of income or other gain on assets that are deposits in or certificates of deposit of the Bank in its commercial capacity and income or other gain actually received by the Trustee on Eligible Investments. Under no circumstances shall the Trustee be responsible for any losses on assets purchased in accordance with an Issuer Order or a written order or request by the Servicer, unless such asset is purchased in an obligation of the Trustee in its corporate capacity.

Section 6.8. ***Compensation and Reimbursement.***

(a) The Issuer agrees:

(i) to pay the Trustee on each Payment Date reasonable compensation for all services rendered by it under this Indenture in accordance with its letter agreement with the Trustee (which compensation shall not be limited by any provision of law in regard to the compensation of a trustee of an express trust);

(ii) except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture or in its letter agreement with the Trustee, to reimburse the Trustee in a timely manner upon its request for all reasonable expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or made by the Trustee in accordance with this Indenture (including securities transaction charges and the reasonable compensation and expenses and disbursements of its agents and legal counsel and of any accounting firm or investment banking firm employed by the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.4, 5.5, 10.5 or 10.7, except any such expense, disbursement or advance attributable to its negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith) but with respect to securities transaction charges, only to the extent they have not been waived during a Due Period due to the

Trustee's receipt of a payment from a financial institution with respect to certain Eligible Investments, as specified by the Servicer;

(iii) to indemnify the Trustee and its officers, directors, employees and agents for any loss, liability or expense (including reasonable attorney's fees and costs) incurred without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith on their part, arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of this trust, including the costs and expenses of defending themselves against any claim or liability in connection with the exercise or performance of any of their powers or duties under this Indenture; and

(iv) to pay the Trustee reasonable additional compensation together with its expenses (including reasonable counsel fees and costs) for any collection action taken pursuant to Section 6.14.

(b) The Trustee shall receive amounts pursuant to this Section 6.8 as provided in Sections 11.1(a)(i) and (ii) but only to the extent that funds are available for their payment. Subject to Section 6.10, the Trustee shall continue to serve as Trustee under this Indenture notwithstanding the fact that the Trustee has not received amounts due to it under this Indenture. No direction by the Noteholders shall affect the right of the Trustee to collect amounts owed to it under this Indenture. If on any date when a fee is payable to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture insufficient funds are available for its payment any portion of a fee not so paid shall be deferred and payable on the next date on which a fee is payable and sufficient funds are available for it.

(c) The Trustee agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy for the non-payment to the Trustee of any amounts provided by this Section 6.8 until at least one year and one day, or if longer the applicable preference period then in effect plus one day, after the payment in full of all Notes issued under this Indenture and the payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent of all amounts payable with respect to the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Nothing in this Section 6.8(c) shall prohibit or otherwise prevent the Trustee from filing proofs of claim in any bankruptcy, insolvency or similar proceeding.

#### Section 6.9. ***Corporate Trustee Required; Eligibility.***

There shall at all times be a Trustee under this Indenture that is an Independent "bank" (within the meaning of the Investment Company Act) organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America or of any state of the United States, authorized under those laws to exercise corporate trust powers, having a combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000, subject to supervision or examination by federal or state banking authority, having a rating of at least "Baa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) by Moody's and at least "BBB+" by S&P, and having an office within the United States. In addition, the Trustee shall not be "affiliated" (within the meaning of Rule 405 under the Securities Act) with either of the Co-Issuers or any person involved in the organization or operation of either of the Co-Issuers and shall not provide credit or credit enhancement to either of the Co-Issuers. If the Trustee publishes reports of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or to the requirements of its supervising or examining authority, then for the purposes of this Section 6.9, the combined capital and surplus of the Trustee shall be its combined capital and surplus in its most recent published report of condition. If at any time the Trustee ceases to be eligible in accordance with this Section 6.9, it shall resign immediately in the manner and with the effect specified in Section 6.10.

Section 6.10. ***Resignation and Removal; Appointment of Successor.***

(a) No resignation or removal of the Trustee and no appointment of a successor Trustee pursuant to this Article 6 shall become effective until the acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee under Section 6.11. The indemnification in favor of the Trustee shall survive any resignation or removal of the Trustee.

(b) The Trustee may resign at any time by giving not less than 30 days written notice to the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency. Upon receiving the notice of resignation, the Co-Issuers shall at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class promptly appoint a successor trustee satisfying the requirements of Section 6.9, by written instrument, in duplicate, executed by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer and an Authorized Officer of the Co-Issuer, one copy of which shall be delivered to the resigning Trustee and one copy to the successor Trustee, together with a copy to each Noteholder, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and the Servicer. If no successor Trustee has been appointed and an instrument of acceptance by a successor Trustee has not been delivered to the Trustee within 60 days after the giving of the notice of resignation, the resigning Trustee or any Noteholder, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee satisfying the requirements of Section 6.9.

(c) The Trustee may be removed (i) at any time by an Act of a Majority of the Controlling Class or (ii) by order of a court of competent jurisdiction, delivered to the Trustee and to the Co-Issuers.

(d) If at any time:

(i) the Trustee ceases to be eligible under Section 6.9 and fails to resign after written request by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class; or

(ii) the Trustee becomes incapable of acting or is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent or a receiver or liquidator of the Trustee or of its property appointed or any public officer takes charge or control of the Trustee or of its property or affairs for the purpose of rehabilitation, conservation or liquidation,

then, in any such case (subject to Section 6.10(a)), (A) the Co-Issuers, by Issuer Order (as directed by Board Resolution), may, and at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall, remove the Trustee or (B) subject to Section 5.15, or any Holder may, on behalf of itself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(e) If the Trustee is removed or becomes incapable of acting, or if a vacancy occurs in the office of the Trustee for any reason (other than resignation), the Co-Issuers, by Issuer Order (as directed by Board Resolution) or at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, shall promptly appoint a successor Trustee. If the Co-Issuers fail to appoint a successor Trustee within 60 days after the removal or incapability or the occurrence of the vacancy, a successor Trustee may be appointed by a Majority of the Controlling Class by written instrument delivered to the Issuer and the retiring Trustee. The successor Trustee so appointed shall, upon its acceptance of its appointment, become the successor Trustee and supersede any successor Trustee proposed by the

Co-Issuers. If no successor Trustee has been so appointed by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class and accepted appointment pursuant to Section 6.11, subject to Section 5.15, then the Trustee to be replaced, or any Holder, may, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(f) The Co-Issuers shall give prompt notice of each resignation and each removal of the Trustee and each appointment of a successor Trustee by mailing written notice of the event by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the Servicer, to each Rating Agency, to the Noteholders as their names and addresses appear in the Indenture Register, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares). Each notice shall include the name of the successor Trustee and the address of its Corporate Trust Office. If the Co-Issuers fail to mail the notice within ten days after acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee, the successor Trustee shall cause the notice to be given at the expense of the Co-Issuers.

**Section 6.11. *Acceptance of Appointment by Successor.***

Every successor Trustee appointed under this Indenture shall execute, acknowledge, and deliver to the Co-Issuers and the retiring Trustee an instrument accepting its appointment. Upon delivery of the required instruments, the resignation or removal of the retiring Trustee shall become effective and the successor Trustee, without any further act, shall become vested with all the rights and obligations of the retiring Trustee; but, on request of the Co-Issuers or a Majority of any Class of Notes or the successor Trustee, the retiring Trustee shall, upon payment of any amounts then due to it, execute and deliver an instrument transferring to the successor Trustee all the rights and obligations of the retiring Trustee, and shall duly assign, transfer and deliver to the successor Trustee all property and money held by the retiring Trustee under this Indenture. Upon request of any successor Trustee, the Co-Issuers shall execute any instruments to more fully and certainly vest in and confirm to the successor Trustee all the rights and obligations of the Trustee under this Indenture.

No successor Trustee shall accept its appointment unless at the time of its acceptance the successor is qualified and eligible under Section 6.9 and either (a) each Rating Agency has been notified and the successor has long-term debt rated within the four highest rating categories by each Rating Agency, or (b) if not rated within the four highest categories by each Rating Agency, the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto.

**Section 6.12. *Merger, Conversion, Consolidation, or Succession to Business of Trustee.***

Any entity into which the Trustee may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any entity resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Trustee is a party, or any entity succeeding to all or substantially all of the corporate trust business of the Trustee, shall be the successor of the Trustee under this Indenture (and of the Bank under all of its other capacities under this Indenture, including as Custodian, Securities Intermediary, Indenture Registrar and Paying Agent) without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto. If any of the Notes have been authenticated, but not delivered, by the Trustee then in office, any successor by merger, conversion or consolidation to the authenticating Trustee may adopt the authentication and deliver the Notes so authenticated with the same effect as if the successor Trustee had itself authenticated the Notes.

Section 6.13. ***Co-Trustees.***

At any time, to meet the legal requirements of any jurisdiction in which any part of the Collateral may at the time be located, the Co-Issuers and the Trustee may appoint a co-trustee (subject to the approval of the Rating Agencies) to act jointly with the Trustee, with respect to all or any part of the Collateral, with the power to file proofs of claim and take any other actions pursuant to Section 5.6 in this Indenture and to make claims and enforce rights of action on behalf of the Noteholders, as the Holders themselves have the right to do, subject to the other provisions of this Section 6.13.

The Co-Issuers shall join with the Trustee in the execution, delivery and performance of all instruments and agreements necessary or proper to appoint a co-trustee. If the Co-Issuers do not join in the appointment within 15 days after they receive a request to do so, the Trustee may make the appointment.

Any instruments to more fully confirm a co-trustee's appointment shall, on request, be executed, acknowledged and delivered by the Co-Issuers. The Co-Issuers agree to pay (but only from and to the extent of the Collateral), to the extent funds are available therefor under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1), any reasonable fees and expenses in connection with the appointment.

Every co-trustee shall, to the extent permitted by law, but to that extent only, be appointed subject to the following terms:

(a) the Notes shall be authenticated and delivered and all rights and obligations under this Indenture in respect of the custody of securities, cash and other personal property held by, or required to be deposited or pledged with, the Trustee under this Indenture, shall be exercised solely by the Trustee;

(b) the rights and obligations conferred or imposed on the Trustee in respect of any property covered by the appointment of a co-trustee shall be conferred or imposed on and exercised or performed by the Trustee or by the Trustee and the co-trustee jointly as provided in the instrument appointing the co-trustee;

(c) the Trustee at any time, by an instrument in writing executed by it, with the concurrence of the Co-Issuers evidenced by an Issuer Order, may accept the resignation of or remove any co-trustee appointed under this Section 6.13, and if an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall have the power to accept the resignation of, or remove, any co-trustee without the concurrence of the Co-Issuers. A successor to any co-trustee so resigned or removed may be appointed in the manner provided in this Section 6.13;

(d) no co-trustee under this Indenture shall be personally liable because of any act or omission of the Trustee under this Indenture;

(e) the Trustee shall not be liable because of any act or omission of a co-trustee; and

(f) any Act of Noteholders delivered to the Trustee shall be deemed to have been delivered to each co-trustee.

Section 6.14. ***Certain Duties of Trustee Related to Delayed Payment of Proceeds.***

If in any month the Trustee has not received a payment with respect to any Pledged Obligation on its Due Date:

(a) the Trustee shall promptly notify the Issuer and the Servicer in writing, and

(b) unless the payment is received by the Trustee within three Business Days (or the end of the applicable grace period for the payment, if longer) after the notice, or unless the Issuer, in its absolute discretion (but only to the extent permitted by Section 10.2(a)), makes provision for the payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with Section 10.2(a),

the Trustee shall request the issuer of the Pledged Obligation, the trustee under the related Underlying Instrument, or paying agent designated by either of them to make the payment as soon as practicable after the request but in no event later than three Business Days after the date of the request. If the payment is not made within that time period, the Trustee, subject to clause (iv) of Section 6.1(c), shall take the action directed by the Servicer in writing. Any such action shall be without prejudice to any right to claim a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture. If the Issuer or the Servicer requests a release of a Pledged Obligation or delivers a Collateral Obligation in connection with any such action under the Servicing Agreement, the release or substitution shall be subject to Section 10.6 and Article 12. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the Trustee shall deliver to the Issuer or its designee any payment with respect to any Pledged Obligation or any Collateral Obligation received after its Due Date to the extent the Issuer previously made provisions for the payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with this Section 6.14 and the payment shall not be part of the Collateral.

**Section 6.15. *Authenticating Agents.***

Upon the request of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee shall, and if the Trustee so chooses the Trustee may, appoint one or more Authenticating Agents with power to act on its behalf and subject to its direction in the authentication of the Notes in connection with issuance, transfers, and exchanges under Sections 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, and 8.5, as fully to all intents and purposes as though each Authenticating Agent had been expressly authorized by those Sections to authenticate the Notes. For all purposes of this Indenture, the authentication of Notes by an Authenticating Agent pursuant to this Section 6.15 shall be the authentication of the Notes "by the Trustee."

Any Authenticating Agent may at any time resign by giving written notice of resignation to the Trustee and the Issuer. The Trustee may at any time terminate the agency of any Authenticating Agent by giving written notice of termination to the Authenticating Agent and the Co-Issuers.

The Co-Issuers agree to pay to each Authenticating Agent from time to time reasonable compensation for its services, and reimbursement for its reasonable expenses relating to its services as an Administrative Expense; provided, however, that if the Trustee elects to appoint an Authenticating Agent without the approval or request of the Co-Issuers, then the Trustee shall pay such compensation and reimbursement. Sections 2.9, 6.4, and 6.5 shall be applicable to any Authenticating Agent.

**Section 6.16. *Fiduciary for Noteholders Only; Agent for Secured Parties.***

With respect to the security interest created under this Indenture, the delivery of any Pledged Obligation to the Trustee is to the Trustee as representative of the Noteholders and agent for the other Secured Parties. In furtherance of the foregoing, the possession by the Trustee of any Pledged Obligation and the endorsement to or registration in the name of the Trustee of any Pledged Obligation (including as entitlement holder of the Custodial Account) are all undertaken by the Trustee in its capacity as representative of the Noteholders and agent for the other Secured Parties.



Section 6.17. ***Representations and Warranties of the Bank.***

The Bank represents and warrants as follows for the benefit of the Noteholders:

(a) *Organization.* The Bank has been duly organized and is validly existing as a national banking association and has the power to conduct its business and affairs as a trustee.

(b) *Authorization; Binding Obligations.* The Bank has the corporate power and authority to perform the duties and obligations of trustee under this Indenture. The Bank has taken all necessary corporate action to authorize the execution, delivery and performance of this Indenture, and all of the documents required to be executed by the Bank pursuant to this Indenture. Upon execution and delivery by the Bank, this Indenture will be the valid and legally binding obligation of the Bank enforceable in accordance with its terms.

(c) *Eligibility.* The Bank is eligible under Section 6.9 to serve as Trustee under this Indenture.

Section 6.18. ***Additional Reporting Requirements.***

If the Initial Purchaser elects to enter into a posting dealer agreement pursuant to Section 7.20, upon the effectiveness of the posting dealer agreement, the Issuer shall provide to The Bond Market Association certain documents for posting in the Repository as mutually agreed between the Servicer and the Initial Purchaser.

If the Initial Purchaser has entered into a posting dealer agreement, as promptly as possible following the execution of any supplemental indenture under Article 8, the Trustee at the expense of the Issuer shall deliver a copy of such supplemental indenture to the Repository in the manner described in Section 14.3(a)(viii).

## ARTICLE 7

### COVENANTS

Section 7.1. ***Payment of Principal and Interest.***

The Applicable Issuers shall pay the principal of and interest on the Notes in accordance with the Notes and this Indenture.

The Issuer shall, subject to the Priority of Payments, reimburse the Co-Issuer for any amounts paid by the Co-Issuer pursuant to the Senior Notes or this Indenture. The Co-Issuer shall not reimburse the Issuer for any amounts paid by the Issuer pursuant to the Notes or this Indenture.

Amounts properly withheld under the Code or other applicable law by any Person from a payment to any Holder shall be considered as having been paid by the Applicable Issuers to the Holder for all purposes of this Indenture.

Section 7.2. ***Maintenance of Office or Agency.***

The Co-Issuers appoint the Trustee as a Paying Agent for the payment of principal of and interest on the Notes. The Co-Issuers appoint Investors Bank & Trust Company, 200 Clarendon Street, Mailcode EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116, Attn: CDO Services Group, as the Co-Issuers' agent

where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Notes or this Indenture may be served and where the Notes may be surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

The Co-Issuers may at any time and from time to time vary or terminate the appointment of any Paying Agent or appoint any additional agents for all of these purposes.

The Co-Issuers shall maintain in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, an office or agency where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Notes and this Indenture may be served, which office will initially be the office of Investors Bank & Trust Company, an Affiliate of the Trustee, located at 33 Maiden Lane, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10038, and an office or agency outside of the United States where the Notes may be presented and surrendered for payment.

No paying agent shall be appointed in a jurisdiction that subjects payments on the Notes to withholding tax.

So long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, the Co-Issuers shall maintain in Ireland a Paying Agent and an office or agency where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Senior Notes and this Indenture may be served and where the Senior Notes may be surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

The Co-Issuers appoint, for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, AIB International Financial Services Ltd. (the "***Irish Paying Agent***") as Paying Agent in Ireland with respect to the Senior Notes, for the payment of principal, interest and other distributions on the Senior Notes and as the Co-Issuers' agent where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Senior Notes or this Indenture may be served. If the Irish Paying Agent is replaced at any time when any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, notice of the appointment of any replacement shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange as promptly as practicable after the appointment. The Co-Issuers shall give prompt written notice to the Trustee, each Rating Agency, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and the Holders of the Senior Notes of the appointment or termination of any such agent and of the location and any change in the location of any such office or agency.

If at any time the Co-Issuers fail to maintain any required office or agency in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, or outside the United States, or fail to furnish the Trustee with their addresses, notices and demands may be served on the Co-Issuers.

### Section 7.3. ***Money for Note Payments to be Held in Trust.***

All payments of amounts payable with respect to any Notes that are to be made from amounts withdrawn from the Payment Account shall be made on behalf of the Applicable Issuers by the Trustee or a Paying Agent with respect to payments on the Notes.

When the Applicable Issuers have a Paying Agent that is not also the Indenture Registrar, they shall furnish not later than the fifth calendar day after each Record Date a list in the form the Paying Agent reasonably requests, of the names and addresses of the Holders and of the certificate numbers of individual Notes held by each Holder.

Whenever the Applicable Issuers have a Paying Agent other than the Trustee, they shall, on or before the Business Day before each Payment Date or Redemption Date direct the Trustee to

deposit on the Payment Date with the Paying Agent an aggregate sum sufficient to pay the amounts then becoming due (to the extent funds are then available for that purpose in the Payment Account), that sum to be held in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled to it and (unless the Paying Agent is the Trustee) the Co-Issuers shall promptly notify the Trustee of its action or failure so to act. Any monies deposited with a Paying Agent (other than the Trustee) in excess of an amount sufficient to pay the amounts then becoming due on the Notes with respect to which the deposit was made shall be paid over by the Paying Agent to the Trustee for application in accordance with Article 10.

Additional or successor Paying Agents shall be appointed by Issuer Order with written notice of the appointment to the Trustee. So long as Notes of any Class are rated by a Rating Agency any Paying Agent must either have a long-term debt rating of "Aa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or higher by Moody's and "AA-" or higher by S&P or a short-term debt rating of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P or the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency must be satisfied with respect to its appointment. If a successor Paying Agent ceases to have a long-term debt rating of "Aa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or higher by Moody's and "AA-" or higher by S&P or a short-term debt rating of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) by Moody's and a short-term debt rating of "A-1+" by S&P, the Co-Issuers shall promptly remove the Paying Agent and appoint a successor Paying Agent. The Co-Issuers shall not appoint any Paying Agent that is not, at the time of the appointment, a depository institution or trust company subject to supervision and examination by federal or state or national banking authorities. The Co-Issuers shall cause each Paying Agent other than the Trustee to execute and deliver to the Trustee an instrument in which the Paying Agent agrees with the Trustee, subject to this Section 7.3, that the Paying Agent will:

- (i) allocate all sums received for payment to the Noteholders for which it acts as Paying Agent on each Payment Date and any Redemption Date among the Holders in the proportion specified in the applicable report to the extent permitted by applicable law;
- (ii) hold all sums held by it for the payment of amounts due with respect to the Notes in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled to them until they are paid or otherwise disposed of as provided in this Indenture;
- (iii) immediately resign as a Paying Agent and forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums held by it in trust for the payment of the Notes if at any time it ceases to meet the standards required to be met by a Paying Agent at the time of its appointment;
- (iv) immediately give the Trustee notice of any default by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer (or any other obligor on the Notes) in the making of any payment required to be made; and
- (v) during the continuance of any such default, upon the written request of the Trustee, forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums so held in trust by the Paying Agent.

To obtain the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture or for any other purpose, the Co-Issuers may at any time pay, or by Issuer Order direct any Paying Agent to pay, to the Trustee all sums held in trust by the Co-Issuers or the Paying Agent, and, upon the payment by any Paying Agent to the Trustee, the Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to the money paid.

Any money deposited with a Paying Agent and not previously returned that remains unclaimed for 20 Business Days shall be returned to the Trustee. Except as otherwise required by applicable law, any money deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for the payment

of the principal of or interest on any Note and remaining unclaimed for two years after the principal or interest has become payable shall be paid to the Applicable Issuers. The Noteholder shall thereafter look only to the Applicable Issuers for payment of the amounts due to it as an unsecured general creditor and all liability of the Trustee or the Paying Agent with respect to that money (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Applicable Issuers) shall thereupon cease. The Trustee or the Paying Agent, before being required to release any payment, may, but shall not be required to, adopt and employ, at the expense of the Applicable Issuers any reasonable means of notification of the release of the payment, including mailing notice of the release to Holders whose Notes have been called but have not been surrendered for redemption or whose right to or interest in monies payable but not claimed is determinable from the records of any Paying Agent, at the last address of record of each Holder.

Section 7.4. ***Existence of Co-Issuers.***

(a) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall maintain in full force their existence and rights as companies incorporated or organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands and the State of Delaware, respectively, and shall obtain and preserve their qualification to do business as foreign corporations in each jurisdiction in which the qualifications are necessary to protect the validity and enforceability of this Indenture, the Notes, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and any of the Collateral.

However, the Issuer may change its jurisdiction of incorporation from the Cayman Islands to any other jurisdiction reasonably selected by the Issuer so long as:

(A) the Issuer has received a legal opinion (on which the Trustee may rely) to the effect that the change is not disadvantageous in any material respect to the Holders, the Servicer or any Hedge Counterparty,

(B) written notice of the change has been given by the Issuer to the Trustee, the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer, any Hedge Counterparty and each Rating Agency, and

(C) on or before the 15th Business Day following its receipt of the notice the Trustee has not received written notice from a Majority of the Controlling Class objecting to the change.

The Issuer may take any action required by this Indenture within the United States notwithstanding any provision of this Indenture requiring the Issuer to take the action outside of the United States so long as before taking the action the Issuer receives a legal opinion from nationally recognized legal counsel to the effect that it is not necessary to take the action outside of the United States or any political subdivision of the United States to prevent the Issuer from becoming subject to any United States federal, state, or local withholding or other taxes.

(b) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall ensure that all corporate or other formalities regarding their respective existences (including holding regular board of directors' and shareholders', or other similar, meetings to the extent required by applicable law) are followed. Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall take any action or conduct its affairs in a manner that is likely to result in its separate existence being ignored or in its assets and liabilities being substantively consolidated with any other Person in a bankruptcy, reorganization or other insolvency proceeding. Without limiting the foregoing,

(i) the Issuer shall not have any subsidiaries,

- (ii) the Co-Issuer shall not have any subsidiaries,
- (iii) the Issuer shall maintain at all times at least one director who is Independent of the Servicer, the Trustee and any of their respective Affiliates,
- (iv) the Issuer shall not commingle its funds with the funds of any other Person, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture, and
- (v) except to the extent contemplated in the Servicing Agreement, the Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Investors Corp. Subscription Agreement and the declaration of trust by the Share Trustee, the Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall not:
  - (A) engage in any transaction with any shareholder that would be a conflict of interest (the entry into the Administration Agreement with the Administrator shall not be deemed a conflict of interest), or
  - (B) pay dividends in violation of this Indenture, the resolutions of its board of directors and the Preference Share Documents.

Section 7.5. ***Protection of Collateral.***

(a) The Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will procure any action within the Servicer's control that is reasonably necessary to maintain the perfection and priority of the security interest of the Trustee in the Collateral. The Issuer from time to time shall execute and deliver any supplements and amendments to this Indenture and shall execute and deliver any Financing Statements, continuation statements, instruments of further assurance, and other instruments and shall take any other action appropriate to secure the rights and remedies of the Secured Parties under this Indenture and to:

- (i) Grant more effectively all or any portion of the Collateral;
- (ii) maintain or preserve the lien (and its priority) of this Indenture or to carry out more effectively the purposes of this Indenture;
- (iii) perfect, publish notice of, or protect the validity of, any Grant made by this Indenture (including any actions appropriate as a result of changes in law);
- (iv) enforce any of the Pledged Obligations or other instruments or property included in the Collateral;
- (v) preserve and defend title to the Collateral and the rights of the Secured Parties in the Collateral against the claims of anyone; and
- (vi) pay when due all taxes levied or assessed on any part of the Collateral.

The Issuer designates the Servicer as its agent and attorney in fact to execute any Financing Statement, continuation statement, and all other instruments, and take all other actions, required pursuant to this Section 7.5.

The Issuer authorizes the filing without the Issuer's signature a financing statement that names the Issuer as "debtor" and Investors Bank & Trust Company as "secured party" (with or

without indicating its capacity as Trustee hereunder) and that describes the Collateral as "all assets of the debtor, whether now owned or hereafter acquired and wherever located."

(b) The Trustee shall not:

(i) except in accordance with Section 10.6(a), (b) or (c), remove any portion of the Collateral that consists of Cash or is evidenced by an instrument, certificate or other writing:

(A) from the jurisdiction in which it was held at the date the most recent Opinion of Counsel was delivered pursuant to Section 7.6 (or from the jurisdiction in which it was held as described in the Opinions of Counsel delivered at the Closing Date pursuant to Section 3.1(iii) if no Opinion of Counsel has yet been delivered pursuant to Section 7.6), or

(B) from the possession of the Person who held it (other than the Bank), or

(ii) cause or permit ownership or the pledge of any portion of the Collateral that consists of book-entry securities to be recorded on the books of a Person (other than the Bank):

(A) located in a different jurisdiction from the jurisdiction in which the ownership or pledge was recorded, or

(B) other than the Person on whose books the ownership or pledge was originally recorded, unless the Trustee shall have first received an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the lien and security interest created by this Indenture with respect to the property and its priority will continue to be maintained after giving effect to the change.

(c) Without at least 30 days' prior written notice to the Trustee and the Servicer, the Issuer shall not change its "location" (as defined in Section 9-307 of the UCC) or change its name from the name shown on the signature pages of this Indenture.

(d) The Issuer shall, subject to the Priority of Payments, enforce all of its material rights and remedies under the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, each Hedge Agreement and each Securities Lending Agreement.

(e) The Issuer shall pay any taxes levied because any Pledged Obligations are owned by the Issuer.

(f) The Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will either exercise the "put" option that prevents a Collateral Obligation from being a Long-Dated Collateral Obligation on the last available date before the Stated Maturity of the Notes or sell the Collateral Obligation for Sale Proceeds at least equal to the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation, in either case by the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

Section 7.6. ***Opinions as to Collateral.***

On or before December 1 in each calendar year, commencing in 2007, the Issuer shall furnish to the Trustee, the Servicer and each Rating Agency an Opinion of Counsel from each relevant jurisdiction stating that, in the counsel's opinion, as of the date of the opinion, all actions necessary to maintain the lien and security interest created by this Indenture with respect to the Collateral have been taken and that no further action (other than as specified in the opinion) needs to be taken for the continued effectiveness and perfection of the lien over the next year. The opinion may be subject to customary assumptions and qualifications.

Section 7.7. ***Performance of Obligations.***

(a) The Co-Issuers, each as to itself, shall not take any action, and shall use their reasonable commercial efforts not to permit any action to be taken by others, that would release any Person from any of the Person's covenants or obligations under any instrument included in the Collateral, except in the case of enforcement action taken with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this Indenture and actions by the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and in conformity with this Indenture or as otherwise required by this Indenture.

(b) The Applicable Issuers may, with the prior written consent of a Majority of each Class of Notes and a Majority of the Preference Shares (except in the case of the Servicing Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement as initially executed), contract with other Persons (including the Servicer, the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator) for the performance of actions and obligations to be performed by the Applicable Issuers under this Indenture. Notwithstanding any such arrangement, the Applicable Issuers shall remain primarily liable for performance under this Indenture. The Applicable Issuers shall punctually perform, and use their reasonable commercial efforts to cause the Servicer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and any other Person to perform, all of their obligations in the Servicing Agreement, this Indenture, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement or any other agreement.

Section 7.8. ***Negative Covenants.***

(a) The Issuer shall not and, with respect to clauses (ii), (iii), (iv), (vi) and (ix), the Co-Issuer shall not, in each case from and after the Closing Date:

(i) sell, transfer, assign, exchange, or otherwise dispose of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecate, or otherwise encumber (or permit or suffer the sale, transfer, assignment, exchange, or other disposition of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecation, or other encumbering of), any part of the Collateral, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and the Servicing Agreement;

(ii) claim any credit on, make any deduction from, or, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable laws, dispute the enforceability of payment of the principal or interest (or any other amount) payable in respect of the Notes (other than amounts withheld in accordance with the Code or any applicable laws of the Cayman Islands) or assert any claim against any present or future Noteholder because of the payment of any taxes levied or assessed on any part of the Collateral;

(iii) (A) incur or assume or guarantee any indebtedness, other than the Notes and this Indenture and the transactions contemplated by this Indenture (including a Refinancing in accordance with Section 9.7 and including, as contemplated hereby, entering

into the Hedge Agreements and Securities Lending Agreements) or (B) issue any additional class of securities other than the Preference Shares issued on or before the Closing Date, except as otherwise permitted by the Preference Share Documents;

(iv) (A) permit the validity or effectiveness of this Indenture or any Grant under this Indenture to be impaired, or permit the lien of this Indenture to be amended, hypothecated, subordinated, terminated, or discharged or permit any Person to be released from any covenants or obligations with respect to this Indenture or the Notes, except as may be expressly permitted by this Indenture or by the Servicing Agreement, (B) permit any lien, charge, adverse claim, security interest, mortgage or other encumbrance (other than the lien of this Indenture) to be created on or extend to or otherwise arise on or burden any part of the Collateral, any interest in it, or its proceeds of or (C) take any action that would permit the lien of this Indenture not to be a valid first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral;

(v) amend the Servicing Agreement except pursuant to its terms and Section 15.1(h) or amend the Collateral Administration Agreement except pursuant to its terms unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the amendment or enter into any waiver in respect of any of the foregoing agreements without providing written notice to each Rating Agency and the Trustee (and, with respect to the Collateral Administration Agreement, without the consent of the Trustee);

(vi) to the extent permitted by applicable law, dissolve or liquidate in whole or in part, except as permitted under this Indenture;

(vii) pay any dividends or other distributions other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents;

(viii) conduct business under any name other than its own;

(ix) have any employees (other than directors and officers to the extent they are employees); or

(x) except for any Underlying Instrument and agreements involving the purchase or sale of Collateral Obligations having customary purchase or sale terms and documented with customary trading documentation (but not excepting any Synthetic Security or Hedge Agreement), enter into any agreement unless the agreement contains "non-petition" and "limited recourse" provisions and shall not amend such "non-petition" and "limited recourse" provisions without prior Rating Confirmation.

(b) Neither the Issuer nor the Trustee shall sell, transfer, exchange or otherwise dispose of Collateral, or enter into an agreement or commitment to do so, or enter into or engage in any business with respect to any part of the Collateral, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer, the Servicing Agreement.

(c) The Co-Issuer shall not invest any of its assets in "securities" as the term is defined in the Investment Company Act, and shall keep all of its assets in Cash.

(d) Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall use the proceeds of the Notes to buy or carry Margin Stock.



Section 7.9. *Notice of Default; Statement as to Compliance.*

(a) The Co-Issuers shall notify the Trustee, the Servicer, the Rating Agencies and each Hedge Counterparty within 10 days of acquiring actual knowledge of Default.

(b) On or before March 15 in each calendar year, commencing in 2008, the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee (to be forwarded by the Trustee to the Servicer and each Noteholder making a written request therefor and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) and each Rating Agency) a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer that, to the best knowledge of the Issuer, no Default exists, and has not existed since the date of the last certificate or, if a Default does then exist or had existed, specifying the same and its nature and status, including actions undertaken to remedy it, and that the Issuer has complied with all of its obligations under this Indenture or, if that is not the case, specifying those obligations with which it has not complied.

Section 7.10. *Co-Issuers May Consolidate, etc., Only on Certain Terms.*

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer (the "**Merging Entity**") shall consolidate or merge with or into any other Person or transfer or convey all or substantially all of its assets to any Person, unless permitted by Cayman Islands law (in the case of the Issuer) or United States and Delaware law (in the case of the Co-Issuer) and unless:

(a) the Merging Entity shall be the surviving corporation, or the Person (if other than the Merging Entity) formed by the consolidation or into which the Merging Entity is merged or to which all or substantially all of the assets of the Merging Entity are transferred (the "**Successor Entity**"),

(i) if the Merging Entity is the Issuer, is a company organized and existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands or another jurisdiction approved by a Majority of the Controlling Class (except that no approval shall be required in connection with any such transaction undertaken solely to effect a change in the jurisdiction of incorporation pursuant to Section 7.4), and

(ii) in any case shall expressly assume, by an indenture supplemental to this Indenture, executed and delivered to the Trustee and each Noteholder, the due and punctual payment of all amounts on all Notes issued by the Merging Entity and the performance and observance of every covenant of this Indenture on its part to be performed or observed, all as provided in this Indenture;

(b) each Rating Agency shall have been notified of the consolidation, merger, transfer, or conveyance and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the transaction;

(c) if the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall have agreed with the Trustee,

(i) to observe the same legal requirements for the recognition of the formed or surviving corporation as a legal entity separate and apart from any of its Affiliates as are applicable to the Merging Entity with respect to its Affiliates,

(ii) not to consolidate or merge with or into any other Person or transfer or convey the Collateral or all or substantially all of its assets to any other Person except in accordance with this Section 7.10; and

(iii) in any case shall expressly assume by an indenture supplemental to this Indenture, executed and delivered to the Trustee, each Noteholder and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the due and punctual payment of all amounts on all the Notes issued by the Merging Entity and the performance and observance of every covenant of this Indenture on its part to be performed or observed, all as provided in this Indenture;

(d) if the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall have delivered to the Trustee and each Rating Agency an Officer's certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that it is duly organized, validly existing, and in good standing in the jurisdiction in which it is organized; that it has sufficient power and authority to assume the obligations in subsection (a) above and to execute and deliver an indenture supplemental to this Indenture for the purpose of assuming the obligations in subsection (a) above; that it has duly authorized the execution, delivery, and performance of an indenture supplemental to this Indenture for the purpose of assuming the obligations in subsection (a) above and that the supplemental indenture is its valid and legally binding obligation, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject only to bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium, and other laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally and to general principles of equity; if the Merging Entity is the Issuer, that, following the event that causes the Successor Entity to become the successor to the Issuer, (i) the Successor Entity has title, free of any lien, security interest, or charge, other than the lien and security interest of this Indenture, to the Collateral, and (ii) the lien of this Indenture continues to be effective in the Collateral; and in each case as to any other matters the Trustee or any Noteholder reasonably requires;

(e) after giving effect to the transaction, no Default or Event of Default shall be continuing;

(f) the Merging Entity shall have notified each Rating Agency of the consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance and shall have delivered to the Trustee, each Noteholder and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) an Officer's certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that the consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance and the supplemental indenture comply with this Article 7 and that all conditions precedent in this Article 7 relating to the transaction have been complied with and that no adverse tax consequences will result therefrom to the Holders of the Securities;

(g) the Merging Entity shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel stating that after giving effect to the transaction, neither of the Co-Issuers (or, if applicable, the Successor Entity) will be required to register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act; and

(h) after giving effect to the transaction, the outstanding stock of the Merging Entity (or, if applicable, the Successor Entity) will not be beneficially owned within the meaning of the Investment Company Act by any U.S. Person.

#### Section 7.11. *Successor Substituted.*

Upon any consolidation or merger, or transfer or conveyance of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, in accordance with Section 7.10 in which the Merging Entity is

not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall succeed to, and be substituted for, and may exercise every right of, the Merging Entity under this Indenture with the same effect as if the Person had been named as the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, in this Indenture. Upon any such consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance, the Person named as the "Issuer" or the "Co-Issuer" in the first paragraph of this Indenture or any successor may be dissolved, wound up and liquidated at any time thereafter, and the Person thereafter shall be released from its liabilities as obligor and maker on all the Notes and from its obligations under this Indenture.

Section 7.12. ***No Other Business.***

(a) From and after the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not engage in any business or activity other than issuing and selling the Notes pursuant to this Indenture and the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents and acquiring, owning, holding, and pledging and selling Collateral Obligations and the other Collateral in connection therewith, and shall not act as agent, negotiator or structurer with respect to any Collateral, act as a participant in negotiating terms of a primary loan agreement, enter into a binding commitment to purchase any Collateral prior to the issuance thereof or engage in any transaction or activity not permitted by the Collateral Acquisition Agreement or which the Issuer knows would cause it to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States within the meaning of the Code or subject the Issuer's income to taxation on a net basis in any jurisdiction, and the Co-Issuer shall not engage in any business or activity other than issuing and selling the Notes to be issued by it pursuant to this Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, other activities appropriate to accomplish the foregoing or incidental thereto or connected therewith.

(b) In furtherance and not in limitation of clause (a) of this Section 7.12, the Issuer shall comply with all of the provisions set forth in the Collateral Acquisition Agreement, unless, with respect to a particular transaction, the Issuer and the Trustee shall have received an opinion or advice of tax counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters that, under the relevant facts and circumstances with respect to such transaction, the Issuer's failure to comply with one or more of such provisions will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States within the meaning of the Code or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis. The provisions set forth in the Collateral Acquisition Agreement may be amended, eliminated or supplemented (without execution of a supplemental indenture) if the Issuer and the Trustee shall have received an opinion of tax counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters that the Issuer's compliance with such amended provisions or supplemental provisions or the Issuer's failure to comply with such provisions proposed to be eliminated, as the case may be, will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States within the meaning of the Code or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis and, at the request of the Issuer, the Trustee is hereby authorized to enter into any amendment of the Collateral Acquisition Agreement under such circumstances; provided, however, that written notice of any such amendment, elimination or supplementation of or to the provisions of the Collateral Acquisition Agreement pursuant to this Section 7.12(b) shall be provided to each Rating Agency then rating any Outstanding Class of Notes within 90 days of any such amendment, elimination or supplementation. For the avoidance of doubt, in the event an opinion of tax counsel as described above has been obtained in accordance with the terms hereof, no consent of any Noteholder or satisfaction of the Rating Condition shall be required in order to comply with this Section 7.12(b) in connection with the amendment, elimination or supplementation of any provision of the Collateral Acquisition Agreement contemplated by such opinion of tax counsel.

(c) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer may amend, or permit the amendment of, their Memorandum and Articles or the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the amendment (but not otherwise).

Section 7.13. ***Listing on Irish Stock Exchange.***

So long as any Senior Notes remain Outstanding, the Co-Issuers shall use all reasonable efforts to obtain and maintain the listing of the Senior Notes on the regulated market of the ISE; *provided* that the Co-Issuers will not be required to maintain a listing on a stock exchange in the European Union if compliance with requirements of the European Commission on a member state becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer.

Section 7.14. ***Annual Rating Review.***

So long as any Notes of any Class remain Outstanding, on or before November 1 in each year commencing in 2007, the Co-Issuers shall obtain and pay for an annual review or ongoing surveillance of the rating of each Outstanding Class of Notes from each Rating Agency, as applicable. The Co-Issuers shall promptly notify the Trustee and the Servicer in writing (and the Trustee shall promptly provide a copy of the notice to the Noteholders) and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) if at any time the rating of any Class of Notes has been, or is known will be, changed or withdrawn.

Section 7.15. ***Reporting.***

At any time when the Co-Issuers are not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act and are not exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act, upon the request of a Holder or Beneficial Owner of any Note, the Co-Issuers shall promptly furnish "Rule 144A Information" to the Holder or Beneficial Owner, to a prospective purchaser of a Note designated by the Holder or Beneficial Owner or to the Trustee for delivery to the Holder or Beneficial Owner or a prospective purchaser designated by the Holder or Beneficial Owner, as the case may be, to permit compliance by the Holder or Beneficial Owner with Rule 144A under the Securities Act in connection with the resale of the Note by the Holder or Beneficial Owner. "**Rule 144A Information**" is the information specified pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act.

Section 7.16. ***Calculation Agent.***

(a) The Issuer agrees that for so long as any Floating Rate Notes remain Outstanding an agent will always have been appointed (that does not control and is not controlled by or under common control with the Issuer or its Affiliates) to calculate LIBOR in respect of each Interest Period (the "**Calculation Agent**"). The Issuer has initially appointed the Trustee as Calculation Agent. The Issuer may remove the Calculation Agent at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Issuer or if the Calculation Agent fails to determine any of the information required to be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange, as described in subsection (b), in respect of any Interest Period, the Issuer or the Servicer (on its behalf) shall promptly appoint a replacement Calculation Agent. For so long as any Floating Rate Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, notice of the appointment of any replacement Calculation Agent shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange as promptly as practicable after the appointment. The Calculation Agent may not resign its duties without a successor having been duly appointed.

(b) As soon as possible after 11:00 A.M., London time, on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period, but in no event later than 11:00 A.M., London time, on the next Business Day, the Calculation Agent shall calculate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes for the next Interest Period. The Calculation Agent shall communicate those rates and amounts to the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, each Paying Agent, the Servicer, Euroclear, Clearstream, the Depository, and, so long as any of the Floating Rate Notes are listed thereon and the rules of the exchange so require, the Irish Stock Exchange. In the latter case, the information shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange as soon as possible after its determination. The Calculation Agent shall separately notify the Irish Stock Exchange of the information. The Calculation Agent shall also specify to the Co-Issuers the quotations on which the foregoing rates are based, and in any event the Calculation Agent shall notify the Co-Issuers before 7:00 P.M., London time, on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period that either:

- (i) it has determined or is in the process of determining the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes, or
- (ii) it has not determined and is not in the process of determining any such Note Interest Rate together with its reasons therefor.

The Calculation Agent's determination of the foregoing rates for any Interest Period shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding on all parties and the Holders and Beneficial Owners of the Preference Shares.

#### Section 7.17. ***Certain Tax Matters.***

(a) For United States federal income tax purposes, the Issuer shall treat the Preference Shares as equity and the Notes as debt. Each Holder of a Note, by its acquisition of that Note, agrees to treat those Notes as debt for United States federal income tax purposes.

(b) The Issuer will make an election to be treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and will take all necessary actions to maintain its status as a partnership (or, if the equity of the Issuer is treated as owned by one person, as a disregarded entity of such person) for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

(c) The Issuer shall file, or cause to be filed, any tax returns, including information tax returns, required by any governmental authority; provided, however, that the Issuer shall not file, or cause to be filed, any income or franchise tax return in any state of the United States unless it shall have obtained an Opinion of Counsel from a tax counsel of nationally recognized standing experienced in such matters prior to such filing that, under the laws of such jurisdiction, the Issuer is required to file such income or franchise tax return.

(d) In order to ensure the Holders' and Beneficial Owners' acquisition of the Notes pursuant to this Indenture are not treated as offered under conditions of confidentiality, the Holders and Beneficial Owners of the Notes (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) are hereby permitted to disclose to any and all Persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement (including the ownership and disposition of the Notes). For this purpose, the tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction, and the tax structure

of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction.

(e) If the Issuer is aware that it has purchased an interest in a “reportable transaction” within the meaning of Section 6011 of the Code, and a Noteholder requests information about any such transactions in which the Issuer is a purchaser, the Issuer shall provide such information it has reasonably available as soon as practicable after such request.

(f) The Issuer shall not conduct any business other than the business that the Issuer is permitted to conduct under this Indenture and the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

(g) Upon written request by the Independent accountants, the Indenture Registrar shall provide to the Independent accountants that information contained in the Indenture Register requested by the Independent accountants to comply with this Section 7.17.

(h) The Issuer will treat each purchase of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments as a “purchase” for tax accounting and reporting purposes.

(i) The Issuer shall not participate in listing or including the Class D Notes or Preference Shares on or in any Established Securities Markets, and shall not participate in establishing any Established Securities Market for its Class D Notes or Preference Shares. In addition, the Issuer shall not recognize any transfers made on any Established Securities Markets with respect to its Class D Notes or Preference Shares (including any transfers of any financial instrument (other than the Senior Notes) or contract the value of which is determined in whole or in part by reference to the Issuer).

#### Section 7.18. *Securities Lending.*

(a) So long as no Event of Default is continuing and if after the completion of the transaction the limit in clause (28) of the definition of "Concentration Limitations" would be satisfied, the Servicer may cause Collateral Obligations that are not Defaulted Collateral Obligations to be lent for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) having long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or guarantors with ratings of at least "A1" (and not "A1" but on credit watch with negative implications) and "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A" from S&P (each, a "***Securities Lending Counterparty***") pursuant to one or more agreements (each, a "***Securities Lending Agreement***"); provided that Collateral Obligations the Market Value of which cannot be determined under clause (i), (ii) or (iii) of that definition may not be lent pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement. Upon receipt of an Issuer Order, the Trustee shall release any lent Collateral Obligations to a Securities Lending Counterparty as directed by the Servicer. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser or Affiliates of the Servicer. The duration of any Securities Lending Agreement shall not exceed the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

(b) Each Securities Lending Agreement shall be on market terms as determined by the Servicer (except as may be required below) and shall:

(i) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty return to the Issuer debt obligations that are identical (in terms of issue and class) to the lent Collateral Obligations;

(ii) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty pay to the Issuer amounts equivalent to all interest and other payments that the owner of the lent Collateral Obligation is entitled to for the period during which the Collateral Obligation is lent and require that any such payments not be subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the Securities Lending Counterparty is required under the Securities Lending Agreement to make "gross-up" payments to the Issuer that cover the full amount of the withholding tax on an after-tax basis;

(iii) require that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency shall be satisfied with respect to the execution of the Securities Lending Agreement;

(iv) satisfy any other requirements of Section 1058 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated under it;

(v) be governed by the laws of New York;

(vi) permit the Issuer to assign its rights under the Securities Lending Agreement to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture;

(vii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Collateral Obligation becomes a Credit Risk Obligation or is subject to redemption in accordance with its terms;

(viii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty upon any redemption of the Notes in whole;

(ix) require the Securities Lending Counterparty to post with the Trustee collateral consisting of cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the Securities Lending Agreement (the "***Securities Lending Collateral***") to secure its obligation to return the Collateral Obligations or in the alternative post the Securities Lending Collateral with a custodian for the benefit of the Issuer designated by the Securities Lending Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that custodian would qualify to be a successor trustee under Section 6.9;

(x) provide that the Securities Lending Collateral shall be maintained at all times in an amount equal to at least 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value (determined daily and monitored by the Servicer) of the lent Collateral Obligations and if securities are delivered to the Trustee as security for the obligations of the Securities Lending Counterparty under the related Securities Lending Agreement, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will negotiate with the Securities Lending Counterparty a rate for the loan fee to be paid to the Issuer for lending the lent Collateral Obligations;

(xi) the lent Collateral Obligations shall be marked-to-market on a daily basis by the Servicer on the basis of their Market Value;

(xii) the Collateral will include the Issuer's rights under the related Securities Lending Agreement rather than the loaned Collateral Obligation;

(xiii) provide for early termination within 10 days at the option of the Issuer and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Securities Lending

Counterparty is no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty and the noncompliance is not cured as provided in this Indenture; and

(xiv) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Securities Lending Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those in this Indenture.

(c) If either Moody's or S&P downgrades a Securities Lending Counterparty such that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party are no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty, then the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, within 10 days of the downgrade, shall

(i) terminate its Securities Lending Agreements with the Securities Lending Counterparty unless a guarantor for the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements has been obtained; or

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations lent to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty so that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party, together with all other Securities Lending Agreements, are in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of Securities Lending Counterparties; or

(iii) take any other steps Moody's or S&P may require to cause the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party to be treated by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, as if the obligations were owed by a counterparty having a rating at least equivalent to the rating that was assigned by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty before its being downgraded.

(d) In connection with any such direction by the Servicer to enter into a Securities Lending Agreement, the Trustee may receive and rely on an Issuer Order to the effect that the Securities Lending Agreement, and its Securities Lending Counterparty, is each in compliance with the requirements of this Indenture (including the definition of "Securities Lending Counterparty"). The Issuer and the Trustee may enter into any Securities Lending Agreement (and any related account control agreement) at the instruction of the Servicer, and deliver and accept delivery and return of any Collateral Obligations pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement, or pursuant to instructions from the Servicer in connection with the Securities Lending Agreement. The Trustee may take any actions and exercise any rights and remedies under any Securities Lending Agreement that the Servicer instructs. The Trustee need not enter into any Securities Lending Agreement (or any related account control agreement) that would in its judgment, subject it to any liability, whether financial or otherwise, or cause it to incur or subject it to risk of any cost or disbursement for which it is not, in its judgment, adequately indemnified, or that would impose on it any obligations or administrative burdens that are unacceptable to it. The Servicer shall instruct the Trustee in writing with respect to the administration of any Securities Lending Agreement (including with respect to any default and the exercise of rights under it). The Trustee shall not have any responsibility for evaluating the sufficiency, validity or acceptability of any Securities Lending Agreement or for the qualifications or eligibility of any Securities Lending Counterparty. Nothing in this Indenture shall be construed to cause the Trustee to have any fiduciary duties to any Securities Lending Counterparty.

So long as any Collateral Obligation is on loan pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement,



(a) the Trustee shall have no liability for any failure or inability on its part to receive any information or take any action with respect to the Collateral Obligation because of its being on loan (including any failure to take action with respect to a notice of redemption, consent solicitation, exchange or tender offer, or similar corporate action), and

(b) the loaned Collateral Obligations shall not be disqualified for return to the Trustee as a Collateral Obligation by any change in circumstance or status during the time while on loan (including any change that would cause the Collateral Obligation to be ineligible for purchase by the Issuer under this Indenture if applied to a proposed purchase of it in the open market at the time of its return from loan).

**Section 7.19. *Purchase of Collateral Obligations; Ramp-Up Completion Date.***

(a) The Issuer shall use its best efforts to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period or enter into commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period for purchase on or as soon as practicable thereafter (not to exceed 60 days thereafter), in each case, for inclusion in the Collateral so that each of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A Notes is at least U.S.\$1,471,900,000.

(b) No Collateral Obligations may be purchased prior to the Ramp-Up Completion Date unless immediately following the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (as certified by the Servicer in writing), the remaining funds in the Collection Account, after giving effect to such purchase, are sufficient as of the date of determination to purchase Collateral Obligations for inclusion in the Collateral so that each of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A Notes is at least U.S.\$1,471,900,000 (taking into account the Collateral Obligations already part of the Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date)).

(c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, or any other provision of this Indenture, if the Issuer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase a Collateral Obligation to be included in the Collateral, such commitment initially not to exceed 60 days, and at the time of the commitment the Collateral Obligation complied with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set forth in this Section 7.19, the Issuer may consummate the purchase of the Collateral Obligation notwithstanding that the Collateral Obligation fails to comply with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set out above on the date of settlement.

(d) The Issuer will use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase, or to enter into binding agreements to purchase, Collateral Obligations by the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that, together with the Collateral Obligations purchased on or before the Closing Date and then held by the Issuer, will satisfy, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date), the Collateral Quality Tests, the Concentration Limitations, the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 of this Indenture and the Overcollateralization Tests.

(e) Within 5 Business Days after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer or the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) shall request a S&P Rating Confirmation and shall provide a report to the Rating Agencies identifying the Collateral Obligations then included in the Collateral

and the Issuer shall obtain and deliver to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies, together with the delivery of a report (and, with respect to S&P, a Microsoft Excel file of the S&P CDO Monitor input file and, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, the name of the obligor thereon, the CUSIP number thereof (if applicable) and the S&P Priority Category thereof) substantially in the form of a Monthly Report as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, an Accountants' Certificate:

(i) confirming the maturity date, rating, spread and recovery rate for each item of Original Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date and the information provided by the Issuer with respect to every other asset included in the Collateral, by reference to such sources as shall be specified therein;

(ii) confirming that as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date:

(1) each of the Coverage Tests are satisfied;

(2) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owned or committed to purchase as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date is at least equal to the Maximum Amount; and

(3) the Collateral Obligations comply with all of the requirements of the Collateral Quality Tests and the Concentration Limitations and the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 of this Indenture; and

(iii) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing statements.

(f) If a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, the Notes will be redeemed pursuant to, and to the extent provided in, Section 9.1(a).

#### Section 7.20. ***Posting of Reports on Repository.***

If the Initial Purchaser has entered into a posting dealer agreement with The Bond Market Association relating to the transactions contemplated by this Indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer acknowledges and agrees that each Monthly Report and Valuation Report may be posted to the Repository for use in the manner provided in the Repository. In connection therewith, the Trustee, at the expense of the Issuer, agrees to make available in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(viii) each Monthly Report or Valuation Report to the operator of the Repository for posting on the Repository. The Initial Purchaser will notify the Trustee, the Co-Issuers and the Servicer upon entering into a posting dealer agreement.

#### Section 7.21. ***Secondary Risk Procedures.***

The Servicer shall notify S&P and request that S&P modify the S&P CDO Monitor accordingly if on any date (as disclosed in the most recent Monthly Report):

(a) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Collateral Obligations participated from or entered into with the same Secondary Risk Counterparty exceeds the percentage of the Maximum Amount in the Secondary Risk Table opposite the long-term S&P credit rating of the Secondary Risk Counterparty under the caption "Individual Counterparty Limit," or

(b) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Collateral Obligations participated from or entered into with Secondary Risk Counterparties with the same long-term credit rating exceeds the

percentage of the Maximum Amount in the Secondary Risk Table opposite that rating under the caption "Aggregate Counterparty Limit" (excluding up to 5% by Aggregate Principal Amount of Synthetic Securities with respect to Collateral Obligations the Aggregate Counterparty Limit of which is 20% to the extent that (x) such exposure is fully collateralized with respect to principal and (y) the related Synthetic Security Counterparties are rated at least "A-1+" by S&P).

Section 7.22. ***Section 3(c)(7) Procedures.***

In addition to the notices required to be given under Section 10.6 hereof, the Issuer shall take the following actions to ensure compliance with the requirements of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act (provided that such procedures and disclosures may be revised by the Issuer to be consistent with generally accepted practice for compliance with the requirements of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act):

(a) ***Section 3(c)(7) Notice to Investors.*** The Issuer shall (i) request the Depository to cause, and cooperate with the Depository in causing, the Depository's security description and delivery order to include a "3(c)(7) marker" and the Depository's user manual to contain an accurate description of the restrictions on the holding and transfer of the Notes due to the Issuer's reliance on the exclusion to registration provided by Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act, (ii) request that the Depository send, and cooperate with the Depository in causing the Depository to send, to its Agent Members (x) the Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice substantially in the form of Exhibit H-2 in connection with the initial offering of the Notes and (y) the Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice substantially in the form of Exhibit H-1 as set forth in Section 10.6(b) and (iii) request that the Depository cause, and cooperate with the Depository in causing, the Depository's Reference Directory to include each Class of Notes (and the applicable CUSIP numbers for the Notes) in the listing of 3(c)(7) issues together with an attached description of the limitations as to the distribution, purchase, sale and holding of the Notes.

(b) ***CUSIP Numbers.*** The Issuer shall (a) request of S&P, and shall cooperate with S&P to ensure that all CUSIP numbers identifying the Notes shall have a "fixed field" attached thereto that contains "3c7" and "144A" indicators and (b) take steps to cause the Initial Purchaser and any market makers to require that all "confirms" of trades of the Notes contain CUSIP numbers with such "fixed field" identifiers.

(c) ***Bloomberg and other Third-Party Vendor Screens.*** The Issuer shall use all reasonable efforts to cause the Bloomberg screen or screens containing information about the Notes to include the following language: (a) the "Note Box" on the bottom of the "Security Display" page describing the Notes shall state: "Iss'd Under 144A/3(c)(7)," (b) the "Security Display" page shall have the flashing red indicator "See Other Available Information" and (c) the indicator shall link to the "Additional Security Information" page, which shall state that the securities are "being offered in reliance on the exemption from registration under Rule 144A of the Securities Act, to persons who are both (x) qualified institutional buyers (as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act) and (y) qualified purchasers (as defined under Section 3(c)(7) under the Investment Company Act)." The Issuer shall use all reasonable efforts to require that any other third-party vendor screens containing information about the Notes include substantially similar language to clauses (a) through (c) above.

## ARTICLE 8

### SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURES

#### Section 8.1. *Supplemental Indentures Without Consent of Holders.*

(a) Without the consent of the Holders of any Securities (other than with respect to the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class specified in clause (15) below), when authorized by Board Resolutions, and subject to the requirement provided below in this Section 8.1 with respect to the ratings of any Class of Notes, the Co-Issuers and the Trustee may, if, with respect to any matters described in clauses (1) through (23) below, the interests of the Holders of the Securities (except, in the case of clause (12) below, any Holders of Notes subject to the applicable Refinancing) are not materially and adversely affected thereby (the Co-Issuers and the Trustee will be bound by a standard of good faith and fair dealing in making such determination) execute one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, to:

(1) evidence the succession of another Person to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and the assumption by the successor Person of the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture and in the Securities;

(2) add to the covenants of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders or to surrender any right in this Indenture conferred on the Co-Issuers;

(3) convey, transfer, assign, mortgage or pledge any property to the Trustee, or add to the conditions, limitations, or restrictions on the authorized amount, terms, and purposes of the issue, authentication and delivery of the Notes;

(4) evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment under this Indenture by a successor Trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of this Indenture necessary to facilitate the administration of the trusts under this Indenture by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of Sections 6.10, 6.11, and 6.13;

(5) correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of this Indenture, or to better assure, convey, and confirm to the Trustee any property subject or required to be subject to the lien of this Indenture (including all actions appropriate as a result of changes in law) or to subject to the lien of this Indenture any additional property;

(6) conform any provision in this Indenture to the related provision in the Offering Memorandum that is intended to be a verbatim recitation of such provision;

(7) modify the restrictions on and procedures for resales and other transfers of the Notes to reflect any changes in applicable law (or its interpretation) or to enable the Co-Issuers to rely on any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities Act or the Investment Company Act or to remove restrictions on resale and transfer to the extent not required under this Indenture;

(8) with the consent of the Servicer, modify (A) the restrictions on the sales of Collateral Obligations in Section 12.1 or (B) with the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld), the Eligibility Criteria in Section 12.2 (and the definitions related thereto); *provided* that, for the avoidance

of doubt, the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall not be required if such amendment also satisfies the requirements of clause (24) below;

(9) make appropriate changes for any Class of Senior Notes to be listed on an exchange other than the Irish Stock Exchange;

(10) otherwise to correct any inconsistency or cure any ambiguity or errors in this Indenture;

(11) accommodate the issuance of the Senior Notes in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC or otherwise;

(12) to accommodate a Refinancing effected pursuant to and in compliance with Section 9.7, *provided* that no Holders of Notes or Preference Shares are materially adversely affected thereby, other than Holders of Notes subject to such Refinancing;

(13) take any appropriate action to prevent the Issuer, the Holders of the Securities, or the Trustee from becoming subject to withholding or other taxes, fees, or assessments or to prevent the Issuer from being treated as being engaged in a U.S. trade or business or otherwise being subject to income tax on a net income basis, so long as the action will not cause the Holders of any Securities to be adversely affected to any material extent by any change to the timing, character, or source of the income from the Securities, as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion);

(14) authorize the appointment of any listing agent, Transfer Agent, Paying Agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes appropriate in connection with the listing of any Class of Senior Notes on the Irish Stock Exchange or any other stock exchange, and otherwise to amend this Indenture to incorporate any changes required or requested by any governmental authority, stock exchange authority, listing agent, Transfer Agent, Paying Agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes in connection with its appointment, so long as the supplemental indenture would not materially and adversely affect any Noteholder, as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Notes;

(15) with the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class, amend, modify, enter into or accommodate the execution of any contract relating to a Synthetic Security (including posting collateral under a Synthetic Security Agreement) if such particular action is not otherwise permitted under the Indenture;

(16) modify Section 3.3 to be consistent with applicable laws or Rating Agency requirements;

(17) evidence any waiver by any Rating Agency as to any requirement or condition, as applicable, of the Rating Agency set forth in this Indenture;

(18) facilitate the issuance of participation notes, combination notes, composite securities and other similar securities;

(19) facilitate hedging transactions;

(20) facilitate the ability of the Issuer to lend collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement;

(21) modify any provision to facilitate an A/B Exchange, including to effect any serial designation relating to the exchange;

(22) with the consent of the Servicer, enter into any additional agreements not expressly prohibited by this Indenture as well as any amendment, modification, or waiver if the Issuer determines that the amendment, modification, or waiver would not, upon or after becoming effective, materially and adversely affect the rights or interest of the Holders of any Class of Securities as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Servicer to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities; *provided* that, for the avoidance of doubt, this clause (22) shall not permit the Co-Issuers and the Trustee to effect any amendment that expressly requires the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class without such consent;

(23) provide for the issuance of additional Preference Shares to the extent permitted by the Preference Share Documents and to extend to such additional Preference Shares the benefits applicable to the Preference Shares under the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents; or

(24) prevent the Issuer from becoming an “investment company” as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); *provided* that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer shall have received (A) a Rating Confirmation with respect to such supplemental indenture and (B) a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such supplemental indenture, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

(b) Without the consent of the Servicer, no supplemental indenture may be entered into that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to the Servicer under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer.

(c) The Trustee is authorized to join in the execution of any such supplemental indenture and to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations that may be in the agreements, but the Trustee shall not be obligated to enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties, liabilities or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise, except to the extent required by law. Unless notified by a Majority of any Class of Notes or a Majority of the Preference Shares that Holders of the Class of the Notes or Holders of the Preference Shares would be materially and adversely affected, the Trustee may rely on a certificate of the Servicer and an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in

the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) as to whether the interests of any Holder of Securities would be materially and adversely affected by any such supplemental indenture.

(d) If any Outstanding Notes are rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee shall enter into a supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.1 only if either (1) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the supplemental indenture or (2) the Servicer and the Holders of 100% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes the ratings on which would be reduced or withdrawn consent to the supplemental indenture. Prior to the entry into any supplemental Indenture with respect to which a Rating Confirmation for one or more Classes of Notes is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Note informing them of such fact.

(e) At the cost of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee shall mail to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares), each Rating Agency (for so long as any Notes are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency) and each Hedge Counterparty a copy of any such proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee (or 60 calendar days before execution in the case of a supplemental indenture for the purpose described in paragraph (8) of Section 8.1(a), which shall be identified as such in a certificate of the Servicer delivered to the Trustee before the date on which such notice is required to be given).

#### Section 8.2. ***Supplemental Indentures With Consent of Holders.***

(a) If the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency, the Trustee and the Co-Issuers may execute one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture to add any provisions to, or change in any manner, or eliminate any of the provisions of, this Indenture or modify in any manner the rights of the Noteholders under this Indenture with the consent of:

(1) the Servicer if the supplemental indenture would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer;

(2) a Majority of each Class of Notes adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of each such Class of Notes; and

(4) a Majority of the Preference Shares adversely affected thereby.

Any proposed supplemental indenture that would also necessitate a change to the Memorandum and Articles of Association may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Memorandum and Articles of Association) has been passed to permit the Issuer's constitutional documents to be altered to conform them to the proposed change to this Indenture as certified to the Trustee by the Issuer.

Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected thereby and the Holder of each Preference Share adversely affected thereby, no supplemental indenture shall:

(i) change the Stated Maturity of the principal of or the due date of any installment of interest on any Note or of any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, reduce the principal amount or the rate of interest on any Note, or the Default Interest Rate or the Redemption Price with

respect to any Note or Preference Share, or change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Share may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer, change the provisions of this Indenture relating to the application of proceeds of any Collateral to the payment of principal of or interest on Notes, or to payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, or change any place where, or the coin or currency in which, Notes or their principal or interest are paid or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after their Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the applicable Redemption Date);

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class or Holders of Preference Shares whose consent is required for the authorization of any such supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of this Indenture or certain defaults under this Indenture or their consequences provided for in this Indenture;

(iii) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on a parity with the lien of this Indenture with respect to any part of the Collateral or terminate the lien on any property at any time subject hereto or deprive the Holder of any Note of the security afforded by the lien of this Indenture;

(iv) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class whose consent is required to request the Trustee to retain the Collateral or rescind the Trustee's election to retain the Collateral, pursuant to Section 5.5 or to sell or liquidate the Collateral, pursuant to Section 5.4 or 5.5;

(v) modify any of the provisions of this Section, or to provide that certain other provisions of this Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note and Preference Share affected thereby;

(vi) modify the definition of "Outstanding," "Controlling Class," or "Majority," or the Priority of Payments in Section 11.1(a) or Section 13.1; or

(vii) modify any of the provisions of this Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of Redemption Price or of interest or principal on any Note or any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the payment of dividends or other payments on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date or to affect the rights of the Holders of the Securities to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of the Notes or the Preference Shares contained in this Indenture.

(b) Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.2, the Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (for so long as any Notes are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency) a copy of such proposed supplemental indenture and shall request any required consent from the applicable Holders of Securities to be given within the Initial Consent Period. Any consent given to a proposed supplemental indenture by the Holder of any Securities, as applicable, shall be irrevocable and binding on all future Holders or beneficial owners of that Security, irrespective of the execution date of the supplemental indenture. If the Holders of less than the required percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the relevant Securities consent to a proposed supplemental indenture within the Initial Consent Period, on the first Business Day after the Initial Consent Period, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the



Servicer which Holders of Securities have consented to the proposed supplemental indenture and, which Holders (and, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the Trustee, which beneficial owners) have not consented to the proposed supplemental indenture. If it intends to exercise its Amendment Buy-Out Option pursuant to Section 9.6, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall so notify the Trustee (which notice shall designate a date for the Amendment Buy-Out to occur no earlier than 10 Business Days after the date of such notice) no later than five Business Days after the Servicer is so notified by the Trustee and the Trustee shall promptly mail such notice to all Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares). Any Non-Consenting Holder may give consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture until the 5<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the date of the Amendment Buy-Out designated by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and in such case shall cease to be a Non-Consenting Holder for purposes of the Amendment Buy-Out. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser exercises its Amendment Buy-Out Option and purchases the applicable Securities pursuant to Section 9.6 below, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, as Holder or beneficial owner of the applicable Securities, may consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture within five Business Days of the Amendment Buy-Out.

(c) It shall not be necessary for any Act of Noteholders under this Section 8.2 to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if the Act or consent approves its substance.

(d) The Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency a copy of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.2 promptly after its execution by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee. Any failure of the Trustee to mail a copy of any supplemental indenture as provided in this Indenture, or any defect in the mailing, shall not in any way affect the validity of the supplemental indenture.

### Section 8.3. *Execution of Supplemental Indentures.*

In executing or accepting the additional trusts created by any supplemental indenture permitted by this Article 8 or the modifications thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture, the Trustee may receive, and (subject to Sections 6.1 and 6.3) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an Opinion of Counsel stating that the execution of the supplemental indenture is authorized or permitted by this Indenture and that all conditions precedent to the execution of such supplemental indenture have been satisfied. In the event that any supplemental indenture is consented to by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes and the Rating Condition is satisfied or is specifically waived by all consenting parties, all conditions precedent to the execution of such supplemental indenture shall be deemed satisfied, the execution of such supplemental indenture shall be authorized or permitted by this Indenture, and the Trustee shall execute and accept the additional trusts created by such supplemental indenture pursuant to this Article 8 or modification thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture without obtaining an Opinion of Counsel; provided that the Trustee may, but shall not be obligated to, enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise. The Servicer shall not be bound by any amendment or supplement to this Indenture that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer unless the Servicer consents to it in writing, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed. The Servicer shall follow any amendment or supplement to this Indenture by which it is bound of which it has received written notice from the time it receives a copy of the amendment from the Issuer or the Trustee. The

Trustee shall deliver any such amendment or supplement to the Repository in accordance with Section 6.18.

Section 8.4. ***Effect of Supplemental Indentures; Certain Required Consents.***

Upon the execution of any supplemental indenture under this Article 8, this Indenture shall be modified in accordance therewith, and the supplemental indenture shall form a part of this Indenture for all purposes; and every Holder of Notes theretofore and thereafter authenticated and delivered under this Indenture shall be bound thereby.

Without the approval of each Hedge Counterparty to a then existing Hedge Agreement (so long as the Hedge Counterparty is not in default under any Hedge Agreement to which it is party), no supplemental indenture will be effective, and the Co-Issuers will not consent to any supplemental indenture, that would have a material adverse effect on the Hedge Counterparty. For purposes of this paragraph, any supplemental indenture will be deemed not to have a material adverse effect on the Hedge Counterparty if it does not object within 10 days of delivery of such supplemental indenture by the Trustee.

Any supplemental indenture that would necessitate a change to the Memorandum and Articles of Association (or the memorandum and articles of association of Investors Corp.) may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Memorandum and Articles of Association) has been passed to permit the Memorandum and Articles of Association (or the memorandum and articles of association of Investors Corp.) to be altered to conform with such proposed amendment.

Section 8.5. ***Reference in Notes to Supplemental Indentures.***

Notes authenticated and delivered after the execution of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Article 8 may, and if required by the Trustee shall, bear a notice in form approved by the Trustee as to any matter provided for in the supplemental indenture. If the Applicable Issuers shall so determine, new Notes, so modified as to conform in the opinion of the Trustee and the Co-Issuers to any such supplemental indenture, may be prepared and executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated and delivered by the Trustee in exchange for Outstanding Notes.

## ARTICLE 9

### REDEMPTION OF NOTES

Section 9.1. ***Mandatory Redemption.***

(a) If either (a) a Coverage Test is not met on any Determination Date or (b) a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, principal payments on the Notes shall be made on the related Payment Date (without payment of any Redemption Price) in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Upon receipt of notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes, at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes, then at the direction and in accordance with the instructions of the Servicer the Trustee shall sell Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for the purpose in the Collection Account will be used to redeem the Notes and the Preference Shares (but only to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in

writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes) and to pay all administrative and other fees, expenses and obligations payable under the Priority of Payments. Any sale under this Section shall be conducted in such a manner that:

(i) after giving effect to the sale each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied or, if any Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Overcollateralization Test is not reduced,

(ii) if the sale occurs on or after the second Payment Date, after giving effect to the sale each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied or, if any Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Interest Coverage Test is not reduced, and

(iii) after giving effect to the sale each Collateral Quality Test is satisfied or, if any Collateral Quality Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Collateral Quality Test is not reduced.

(b) The Preference Shares will be redeemed in whole in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents on any Payment Date on which a mandatory redemption of the Notes pursuant to Section 9.1(a) results in the payment in full of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes.

#### Section 9.2. ***Optional Redemption.***

(a) Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the Notes shall be redeemed by the Applicable Issuers, in whole but not in part, on any Payment Date from Principal Proceeds and all other funds available for that purpose in the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account at the direction of the applicable Required Redemption Percentage, which direction must be given to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Servicer not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made, at the applicable Redemption Price (exclusive of installments of interest and principal maturing on or before that date, payment of which shall have been made or duly provided for, to the Noteholders on relevant Record Dates or as otherwise provided in this Indenture). All Notes must be simultaneously redeemed, and any termination payments pursuant to Hedge Agreements must be paid.

In the event that the Preference Share Paying Agent, the Trustee and the Issuer receive notice directing an optional redemption from any one or more Holders of Preference Shares holding less than a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, within five Business Days of receipt of such notice, notify the Holders of the Preference Shares and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares) (i) of the receipt of such notice and (ii) that any Holder of Preference Shares may join in directing an optional redemption by notifying the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing within five Business Days after such Holder's receipt of the Preference Shares Paying Agent's Notice.

Upon receipt of a notice of redemption pursuant to the first paragraph of this Section 9.2(a), the Servicer in its sole discretion will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Servicing Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer, direct the sale of the Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for such purpose in the Collection Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account will be at least sufficient to redeem all of the Notes and to pay

all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations. If, in the Servicer's reasonable discretion, the sale would not be sufficient to redeem the Notes, and to pay the fees, expenses and obligations, the Notes shall not be redeemed.

Upon any redemption pursuant to this Section 9.2(a), the Issuer shall, at least 30 days before the Redemption Date (unless the Trustee shall agree to a shorter notice period), notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency of the Redemption Date, the applicable Record Date, the principal amount of Notes to be redeemed on the Redemption Date and the applicable Redemption Prices.

(b) On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, all administrative and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture and all amounts owing under this Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged,

(i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings or

(ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, voting as a single Class or group, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such direction.

Upon a distribution pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(i), the Servicer will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Servicing Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer (and subject to Section 9.2(b)(ii)), direct the sale of all remaining Collateral Obligations. Upon a distribution pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii), the Servicer will effect the sale of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares.

### Section 9.3. ***Optional Redemption Procedures.***

(a) Upon any redemption pursuant to Section 9.2, the Trustee shall give notice of a redemption by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days and not earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date, each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of DTC, Euroclear, and Clearstream, as applicable, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and (in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a)) to each Rating Agency. In addition, for so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of redemption of Senior Notes pursuant to Section 9.2 shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

- (b) All notices of redemption delivered pursuant to Section 9.3(a) shall state:
  - (i) the applicable Redemption Date;
  - (ii) the Redemption Price of the Notes to be redeemed (in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a));
  - (iii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), that all of the Notes, are to be redeemed in full and that interest on the Notes to be redeemed shall cease to accrue on the Payment Date specified in the notice; and
  - (iv) the places where the Notes to be redeemed in whole are to be surrendered for payment of the Redemption Price, which shall be the office or agency of the Co-Issuers to be maintained as provided in Section 7.2 and, so long as any Senior Notes to be redeemed are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, and the Irish Paying Agent.

Any such notice of redemption may be withdrawn by the Issuer up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares), the Trustee and the Servicer only if:

- (A) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), the Servicer does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications (described in Section 9.3(c) and 12.1(f)), as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee,
- (B) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i), the Issuer receives the written direction of the Majority of the Preference Shares (or, in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Affected Class) to withdraw the notice of redemption delivered by a percentage of the Preference Shares (or, in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Affected Class) requesting redemption under Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i), as applicable, or
- (C) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii), the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer hereby agrees for the benefit of the directing Holders to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (B) or this clause (C)).

Notice of any withdrawal shall be sent, not later than the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date (assuming that the Trustee has received timely written notice from the Issuer as provided above), by the Trustee, to each Noteholder scheduled to be redeemed at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery (or, to the extent the address contained in the Indenture Register is not sufficient for that purpose, by first class mail), the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Holding Preference Shares). If the Issuer so withdraws any notice of redemption or is otherwise unable to complete any redemption of the Notes, the Sale Proceeds received from the sale of any Collateral Obligations sold pursuant to Sections 9.2 and 12.1(f) may, during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period) at the Servicer's discretion, be used to purchase replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria.

Notice of redemption shall be given by the Co-Issuers or, upon an Issuer Order, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Co-Issuers. Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Notes selected for redemption, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each of Holding Preference Shares) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Securities.

(c) The Notes may not be redeemed pursuant to Section 9.2(a) unless either of the following conditions is satisfied:

(i) At least ten Business Days before the Redemption Date, the Servicer shall have furnished to the Trustee evidence (in form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee) that the Issuer has entered into a binding agreements (with a financial or other institution or entity whose short-term unsecured debt obligations (other than obligations whose rating is based on the credit of a Person other than the institution) have a credit rating of at least "A-1" from S&P and of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's (or to any other institution or entity if the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's is satisfied with respect to the other entity)) to sell to the financial or other institutions, not later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date in immediately available funds, all or part of the Collateral (directly or by participation or other arrangement) at a Purchase Price at least equal to an amount sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties, and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices; or

(ii) Before entering into any binding agreement to sell all or a portion of the Collateral and selling or terminating any Hedge Agreement, the Servicer shall have certified that, in its commercially reasonable judgment, the settlement dates of the sales will be scheduled to occur on or before the Business Day before the Redemption Date and that the expected proceeds from the sales are to be delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date, in immediately available funds, in an amount (calculated as applicable in the manner provided below) sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties, and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices. For purposes of this paragraph, the amount shall be calculated with respect to the classes of Collateral listed in the table below by multiplying the expected proceeds of sale of the Collateral by the indicated percentage in the table below.

		Number of Business Days Between Certification to the Trustee and Sale			
		<u>Same Day</u>	<u>1 to 2</u>	<u>3 to 5</u>	<u>6 to 15</u>
1	Cash or other Eligible Investments	100%	100%	100%	100%
2	Loans (other than 5 below)	100%	93%	92%	88%
3	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations (in each case, other than 4 below)	100%	89%	85%	75%
4	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations, in each case with a Moody's Rating of "B3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "B3"	100%	75%	65%	55%
5	Synthetic Securities	100%	65%	55%	35%

Any certification delivered pursuant to this Section 9.3(c) shall include (A) the prices of, and expected proceeds from, the sale of any Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, or Hedge Agreements and (B) all calculations required by this Section 9.3(c).

**Section 9.4. *Notes Payable on Redemption Date.***

(a) Notice of redemption pursuant to Section 9.3 having been given as aforesaid, the Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at the Redemption Price therein specified and from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Redemption Price and accrued interest) the Notes shall cease to bear interest on the Redemption Date. Upon final payment on a Note to be so redeemed, the Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the place specified in the notice of redemption on or before the Redemption Date unless the Co-Issuers and the Trustee receive the security or indemnity required by them to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the Note, and in the absence of notice to the Co-Issuers and the Trustee, that the applicable Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender. Payments of interest on Notes so to be redeemed whose Stated Maturity is on or before the Redemption Date shall be payable to the Noteholders, or one or more predecessor Notes, registered as such at the close of business on the relevant Record Date if the Record Date is a Business Day (or, if the Record Date is not a Business Day, the close of business on the Business Day before the Record Date) according to Section 2.8(e).

(b) If any Note called for redemption is not paid on its surrender for redemption, its principal shall bear interest from the Redemption Date at the Applicable Note Interest Rate for each successive Interest Period the Note remains Outstanding if the reason for the non-payment is not the fault of the Holder of the Note.

**Section 9.5. *Special Redemption.***

Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in whole or in part, at par, in accordance with the Priority of Payments if, at any time during the Replacement Period, the Servicer elects (subject to the Servicing Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional or replacement Collateral

Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the application of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations (a "**Special Redemption**").

On the first Payment Date following the Due Period for which the notice is effective (a "**Special Redemption Date**"), the funds in the Collection Account or the Payment Account representing Principal Proceeds that, by operation of the preceding paragraph, are not used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (the "**Special Redemption Amount**") will be available to be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments under Section 11.1(a)(ii). Notice of payments pursuant to this Section 9.5 shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than three Business Days before the applicable Special Redemption Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of DTC. In addition, for so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of redemption of Senior Notes pursuant to Section 9.2 shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

Section 9.6. **Amendment Buy-Out.**

(a) In the case of any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Securities held by such Holders whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture or, with respect to any Class I Preference Shares held by Investors Corp. if the consent of the Holders of Holding Preference Shares has been solicited, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holders all Holding Preference Shares held by such Holders (the "**Amendment Buy-Out Option**"), in each case, for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; provided, however, that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser may not exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option during the Non-Call Period in connection with a proposed amendment to reduce the rate of interest on any Note or to change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Shares may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all such Securities of Non-Consenting Holders and all such Holding Preference Shares of the Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holders, as the case may be, in each case, for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an "**Amendment Buy-Out**"). By its acceptance of its Securities hereunder, each Holder of Securities agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder and any Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder will be required to sell its applicable Transaction Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser; provided that if any Non-Consenting Holder holds Class II Preference Shares, (i) such Non-Consenting Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to Investors Corp. and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares, (ii) Investors Corp. will issue additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such redesignated Preference Shares purchased by it and (iii) the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser will purchase such additional Holding Preference Shares in lieu of such redesignated Preference Shares. Neither the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser nor any other Person shall have any liability to any Holder or beneficial owner of Transaction Securities as a result of an election by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser not to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option.

(b) All purchases made pursuant to an Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Transaction



Securities set forth herein and in the Preference Share Documents or the Holding Preference Share Documents, as applicable, and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency)

Section 9.7. ***Redemption by Refinancing.***

(a) On any Payment Date following the fifth anniversary of the Closing Date, any Class of the Notes may be redeemed in whole, but not in part from Refinancing Proceeds if the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, proposes to the Holders of the Preference Shares in writing (by notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares)) with a copy to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies, at least 30 days prior to the Payment Date for such redemption (such date, the “Refinancing Date”), to redeem such Notes in accordance with this Section 9.7 (a “Notice of Refinancing”), which notice shall, among other things, specify the Refinancing Date and the Class of Notes to be Refinanced. Such redemption shall be effected by the Issuer obtaining a loan or an issuance of a replacement class of notes (“Refinancing Notes”), the terms of which loan or issuance will be negotiated by the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, from one or more financial institutions or purchasers (which may include the Servicer or its Affiliates) selected by the Servicer (a refinancing provided pursuant to such loan or issuance, a “Refinancing”), and provided that (i) such proposal is approved by a Majority of the Preference Shares (voting as a single class) at least 15 days prior to the Refinancing Date and (ii) the Servicer completes such Refinancing and causes the Refinancing Proceeds to be deposited with the Trustee (in immediately available funds) no later than the close of the Business Day immediately preceding the Refinancing Date..

(b) The Issuer shall obtain a Refinancing only if the Servicer determines and certifies to the Trustee that:

- (i) a Rating Agency Confirmation has been obtained from each Rating Agency for such Refinancing;
- (ii) the proceeds from the Refinancing will be at least sufficient to pay the Refinancing Price plus any Administrative Expenses of the Issuer related to the Refinancing;
- (iii) the interest rate payable in respect of the obligations providing the Refinancing is less than the interest rate payable on the Notes being refinanced;
- (iv) the principal amount of any obligations providing the Refinancing is no greater than the principal amount of the Notes being redeemed with the proceeds of such obligations;
- (v) the stated maturity of the obligations providing the Refinancing is no earlier than the stated maturity of the Notes being refinanced;
- (vi) the Refinancing Proceeds will be used (to the extent necessary) to redeem the applicable Notes;
- (vii) the agreements relating to the Refinancing contain non-recourse and non-petition provisions, investor qualification provisions and transfer restrictions equivalent to those applicable to the Notes being redeemed, as set forth herein;

(viii) the obligations providing the Refinancing are subject to the Priority of Payments and do not rank higher in priority pursuant to the Priority of Payments than the Class of Notes being redeemed; and

(ix) the expenses in connection with the Refinancing have been paid or will be adequately provided for.

(c) The Trustee shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to Sections 6.1 and 6.3 hereof) shall be fully protected in relying upon an Opinion of Counsel stating that the Refinancing is permitted by this Indenture and that all conditions precedent thereto have been complied with.

(d) Any Refinancing Proceeds will not constitute Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds but will be applied directly on the related Refinancing Date pursuant to this Indenture to redeem the Notes being refinanced and pay Administrative Expenses in connection with the Refinancing without regard to the Priority of Payments; provided that to the extent that any Refinancing Proceeds exceed the amount necessary to redeem the Notes being refinanced (and any associated Administrative Expenses), such excess Refinancing Proceeds will be treated as Principal Proceeds.

(e) If notice of consent by a Majority of the Preference Shares to a Refinancing has been received by the Trustee from the Servicer pursuant to Section 9.7(a) no later than 15 days prior to the Refinancing Date, notice of a Refinancing shall be given by the Trustee by first class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not less than 10 Business Days prior to the proposed Refinancing Date, to each Holder of Notes of the Class to be refinanced at the address in the Indenture Register (with a copy to the Servicer) and, so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent.

All Notices of Refinancing shall state:

(i) the proposed Refinancing Date, which shall be the applicable Redemption Date in respect of the Notes being redeemed;

(ii) the Refinancing Price, which shall be the applicable Redemption Price in respect of the Notes being redeemed;

(iii) that on such proposed Refinancing Date such Notes will be refinanced and redeemed in full, and that, provided that the Refinancing Proceeds have been deposited with the Trustee for any such payment in full, interest on such Notes being redeemed shall cease to accrue on such date; and

(iv) the place or places where such Notes are to be surrendered for payment of the Refinancing Price which, if not stated, shall be the office or agency of any paying agent as provided in Section 7.2.

provided that no such Notice of Refinancing shall be sent if either (a) the Servicer has withdrawn its consent to such Refinancing or (b) the consent of a Majority of the Holders of Preference Shares to such Refinancing has not been obtained.

(f) Notice of Refinancing shall be given by the Trustee at the expense of the Issuer. Failure to give a Notice of Refinancing, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Note selected for Refinancing shall not impair or affect the validity of the Refinancing or give rise to any claim based upon such failure or defect.

Any Notice of Refinancing may be withdrawn by the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, on or prior to the fourth Business Day prior to the scheduled Refinancing Date by written notice to the

Trustee, the Paying Agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Rating Agencies and the Holders of the Preference Shares. Upon receipt of such notice of withdrawal, the Trustee shall send such notice to the Holders of Notes and, if applicable, the Irish Paying Agent.

(g) If a Notice of Refinancing pursuant to Section 9.7(a) has been given as provided herein and not withdrawn, the Notes to be refinanced shall on the Refinancing Date become due and payable at the Refinancing Price. Each Holder of such Notes shall present and surrender its Note at the place specified in the Notice of Refinancing on or prior to such Refinancing Date; provided that if there is delivered to the Issuer and the Trustee such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender such Note, then, in the absence of notice to the Issuer and the Trustee that the applicable Note has been acquired by a bona fide purchaser, such final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender.

(h) If any Class of Notes called for Refinancing shall not be so paid upon surrender thereof for Refinancing (or the delivery of the indemnity pursuant to the preceding paragraph) the principal shall, until paid, bear interest from the Refinancing Date at the applicable Interest Rate for each successive Payment Date with respect to which such Note remains Outstanding.

## ARTICLE 10

### ACCOUNTS, ACCOUNTINGS, AND RELEASES

#### Section 10.1. *Collection of Money.*

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, the Trustee may demand payment or delivery of, and shall receive and collect, directly and without intervention or assistance of any fiscal agent or other intermediary, all money and other property payable to or receivable by the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture, including all payments due on the Pledged Obligations, in accordance with the terms of the Pledged Obligations. The Trustee shall segregate and hold all money and property received by it in trust for the Secured Parties and shall apply it as provided in this Indenture. Any Account may contain any number of sub-accounts for the convenience of the Trustee or as required by the Servicer for convenience in administering the Accounts, the Collateral.

#### Section 10.2. *Collection Account.*

(a) Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Collection Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, and into which the Trustee shall from time to time deposit, in addition to the deposits required pursuant to Section 10.7(e), immediately upon the Trustee's receipt thereof:

(i) any funds transferred from (1) the Closing Date Expense Account pursuant to Section 10.3(g) or (2) the Interest Reserve Account pursuant to Section 10.3(i),

(ii) all Principal Proceeds (unless (1) simultaneously used to purchase Collateral Obligations in accordance with Article 12, (2) deposited into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or (3) posted by the Issuer as cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously

with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security or in Eligible Investments) received by the Trustee,

(iii) all Interest Proceeds received by the Trustee (unless simultaneously used to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations in accordance with Article 12 or in Eligible Investments), and

(iv) all other funds received by the Trustee and not excluded above.

In addition to the items described above, the Issuer may, but under no circumstances shall be required to, deposit from time to time any monies, securities and other instruments in the Collection Account it deems, in its sole discretion, to be advisable (and may designate any amounts deposited pursuant to this sentence as Principal Proceeds or Interest Proceeds in its discretion). Any Principal Proceeds received during the Replacement Period, and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments received after the Replacement Period, which have not been used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations on the Business Day of receipt shall be deposited in the Collection Account and shall at the direction of the Servicer be applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the other requirements set forth herein or the purchase of Eligible Investments pending such application or used to enter into additional Hedge Agreements or used in connection with a Special Redemption. Principal Proceeds (other than Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations, Credit Risk Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments) received after the Replacement Period shall be deposited into the Collection Account and applied to the purchase of Eligible Investments. All monies deposited from time to time in the Collection Account pursuant to this Indenture shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and shall be applied to the purposes provided in this Indenture. Amounts in the Collection Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(a).

(b) Within one Business Day after receipt of any distribution or other proceeds of the Collateral that are not Cash, the Trustee shall so notify the Issuer and the Servicer. Within five Business Days of receipt of the notice from the Trustee, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall sell the distribution or other proceeds for Cash in an arm's length transaction to a Person that is not the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer and deposit its proceeds in the Collection Account. The Issuer need not sell the distributions or other proceeds if it delivers an Issuer Order or an Officer's certificate to the Trustee and the Servicer certifying that the distributions or other proceeds are Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, or Workout Assets.

(c) During the Replacement Period (or, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall withdraw funds on deposit in the Collection Account representing Principal Proceeds (and, to the extent expressly provided in this Indenture, Interest Proceeds) and apply the funds to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), in each case in accordance with the requirements of Article 12 and the Issuer Order.

(d) At any time during or after the Replacement Period, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall, pay from amounts on deposit in the Collection Account on any Business Day during any

Interest Period from Interest Proceeds only, any Administrative Expenses that require payment before the next Payment Date to the extent that the amount of the payments does not exceed the aggregate amount that may be paid on the next Payment Date under, and at the level of priority specified by, Section 11.1(a)(i)(1).

(e) The Trustee shall transfer to the Payment Account from the Collection Account for application pursuant to Section 11.1(a) or 11.2, as applicable, on or not later than the Business Day preceding each Payment Date, the amount set forth to be so transferred in the Valuation Report for the Payment Date.

Section 10.3. ***Other Accounts.***

(a) ***Custodial Account.*** Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated trust account that shall be designated as the Custodial Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, and into which the Trustee shall deposit the Collateral Obligations and other Collateral not deposited elsewhere in accordance with this Indenture (other than Loans, Participations and general intangibles, which in the case of Loans and Participations, shall be held by the Trustee as provided in Section 3.2). All assets or securities at any time on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Custodial Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties. The only permitted withdrawals from the Custodial Account shall be in accordance with this Indenture. The Co-Issuers shall not have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Custodial Account other than in accordance with Section 3.2 and the Priority of Payments.

(b) ***Revolving Reserve Account and Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account.*** Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish (i) a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account which shall be designated as the Revolving Reserve Account and (ii) a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, each of which shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. Upon the purchase of any Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, at the direction of the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit Principal Proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account, in the case of a Revolving Loan, and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, in the case of a Delayed Drawdown Loan, each equal to the unfunded Commitment Amount of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, respectively, and the Principal Proceeds so deposited shall be considered part of the Purchase Price of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan for purposes of Article 12. At the direction of the Servicer at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall withdraw funds from the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to fund extensions of credit pursuant to Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans, respectively. In addition, to the extent that the Issuer receives proceeds of a repayment in respect of a Revolving Loan (except to the extent of any concurrent Commitment Reduction) at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall deposit the proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account. Upon the sale of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan in whole or in part or the reduction in part or termination of the Issuer's commitment thereunder, an amount on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, as the case may be, specified by the Servicer as being equal to:

(i) the unfunded amount of the commitment (in the case of a sale in whole or a termination of the commitment),

(ii) the proportionate amount of the amount on deposit (in the case of a sale in part), or

(iii) the amount by which the commitment is reduced (in the case of a reduction thereof in part),

shall be transferred by the Trustee to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds. Amounts on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(b). All interest and other income from amounts in the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.4(b) shall be considered Interest Proceeds in the Due Period in which they are so deposited.

(c) *Expense Reimbursement Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Expense Reimbursement Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On any Payment Date and on any date between Payment Dates, the Trustee will apply amounts, if any, in the Expense Reimbursement Account to the payment of expenses and fees that must be paid between Payment Dates or that are due on that Payment Date under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) and the Trustee shall on any Payment Date transfer to the Expense Reimbursement Account an amount equal to the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts due under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) to the Expense Reimbursement Account in accordance with Section 11.1(a)(i)(2). Funds in the Expense Reimbursement Account shall be applied in accordance with Section 10.4(a).

(d) *Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties (other than the Hedge Counterparty pledging the Collateral), over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. The Trustee shall deposit all collateral received from a Hedge Counterparty under any Hedge Agreement into the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account shall be:

(i) for application to obligations of the relevant Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer under a Hedge Agreement if the Hedge Agreement becomes subject to early termination, or

(ii) to return collateral to the relevant Hedge Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Hedge Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(a) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(e) *Synthetic Security Collateral Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal, and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. On or before the date on which the

Issuer enters into a Synthetic Security and delivers a copy of it to the Trustee, the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the Synthetic Security Collateral Account with respect to the Synthetic Security.

All Synthetic Security Collateral posted by any Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Synthetic Security shall be immediately deposited into the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Synthetic Security. On each day on which amounts are payable to the Issuer out of Synthetic Security Collateral, the Issuer by Issuer Order shall direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, withdraw amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in an amount sufficient to make the payment as provided in the Issuer Order (including any total or partial release of Synthetic Security Collateral). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be (i) for application to the obligations of the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty under a Synthetic Security Agreement or (ii) to return Synthetic Security Collateral to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty at the termination of the relevant Synthetic Security Agreement or as otherwise required by the Synthetic Security Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(b) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(f) *Securities Lending Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Securities Lending Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal, and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Securities Lending Agreement and delivers a copy of it to the Trustee, the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the Securities Lending Account with respect to the Securities Lending Agreement. All Securities Lending Collateral posted by any Securities Lending Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Securities Lending Agreement shall be immediately deposited into the Securities Lending Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Securities Lending Agreement. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Securities Lending Account shall be:

(i) for application to obligations of the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty to the Issuer under a Securities Lending Agreement if the Securities Lending Agreement becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the related Securities Lending Agreement upon any "event of default" under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement, including liquidating the related Securities Lending Collateral, or

(ii) to return the Securities Lending Collateral to the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Securities Lending Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(c). To the extent provided in a Securities Lending Agreement, earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be payable by the Issuer to the related Securities Lending Counterparty.

Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the loaned security or asset that relates to the Securities Lending Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer.

(g) *Closing Date Expense Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Closing Date Expense Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On the Closing Date, the Trustee, at the direction of the Issuer, shall deposit into the Closing Date Expense Account approximately U.S.\$150,000 from the gross proceeds of the Offering. At any time before the earlier of (i) the Ramp-Up Completion Date and (ii) the Payment Date in August 2007, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall, pay from amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account any applicable fees and expenses of the Offering. On the Payment Date in August 2007 (or, at the discretion of the Servicer, on the Payment Date in May 2007), the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds and close the Closing Date Expense Account.

Amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(a) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(h) *Payment Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Payment Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Payment Account shall be to pay amounts due and payable on the Notes in accordance with their terms and the provisions of this Indenture and to pay Administrative Expenses and other amounts specified in this Indenture, each in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Co-Issuers shall not have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Payment Account other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

(i) *Interest Reserve Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Interest Reserve Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On the Closing Date, the Trustee, at the direction of the Issuer, shall deposit into the Interest Reserve Account approximately U.S.\$3,000,000 from the gross proceeds of the Offering. At any time on or before the earlier of (i) the Ramp-Up Completion Date and (ii) the Payment Date in August 2007, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall, (a) pay from amounts on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account an amount necessary such that the amounts referred to in Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) through (20) will be paid in full on each Payment Date occurring on or before the Payment Date in August 2007 or (b) at the discretion of the Servicer, transfer any funds on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds. On the Payment Date in August 2007 (or, at the discretion of the Servicer, on the Payment Date in May 2007), the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account (after application of any monies therefrom on such date) to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds and close the Interest Reserve Account. Amounts on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(a).

(j) *Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated



as the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of Holders of the Class II Preference Shares, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On each Payment Date, to the extent of available funds in accordance with the Priority of Payments, the Trustee will deposit into the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account amounts equal to the products of (a) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date and (b) on any Payment Date during the first two years after the Closing Date or with respect to which the Servicer has notified the Trustee on or before the related Determination Date that it is waiving its Servicing Fee, the Servicing Fees then due and payable, as described in Section 11.1(a) for payment to the Servicer on such Payment Date. The Servicer has agreed to waive such amounts, which would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as Servicing Fees, on each Payment Date during the first two years following the Closing Date and an amount equal to such waived amounts will be distributed by the Trustee, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. After the two-year anniversary of the Closing Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event, an amount equal to such waived portion will be distributed by the Trustee, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

(k) In addition to any deposit, withdrawal, transfer or other application of funds with respect to any Account set forth in this Section 10.3 or in Section 10.2, any deposit, withdrawal, transfer or other application of funds with respect to any Account authorized elsewhere in this Indenture is hereby authorized pursuant to this Section 10.3.

(l) In order to comply with its obligations under the USA Patriot Act of 2001, if any, the Trustee shall be entitled to request and verify, and the Noteholders, beneficial owners, the Co-Issuers and other parties related to this Indenture shall be obligated to provide to the Trustee all the necessary information required by the USA Patriot Act of 2001.

#### Section 10.4. *Application of Funds in Accounts; Reports by Trustee.*

(a) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall at all times before an Event of Default occurs, direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, apply all funds on deposit in the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account as so directed in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. All applications on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any Eligible Investments. Before an Event of Default occurs, if the Issuer has not given directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Servicer within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Date Expense Account or the Interest Reserve Account. If the Trustee does not receive written instructions from the Servicer within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall apply the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (c) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. After an Event of Default occurs, if the Issuer does not give directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall apply the monies as fully as

practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (c) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing not later than the earlier of (i) 30 days after the date of the application or (ii) the Business Day before the next Payment Date. All interest and other income from such Eligible Investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from such Eligible Investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from such Eligible Investments shall be charged to the Collection Account. Subject to Section 6.7, the Trustee shall not in any way be held liable for the selection of Eligible Investments or because of any insufficiency of the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Date Expense Account or the Interest Reserve Account or any other account that results from any loss relating to any such Eligible Investment.

(b) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall at all times direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, apply all funds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, and the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities not later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase. All applications on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any Eligible Investments. If before an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Servicer within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account. If the Trustee does not thereupon receive written instructions from the Servicer within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall apply the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that are overnight funds. If after an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall apply the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that are overnight funds. All interest and other income from such Eligible Investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from such Eligible Investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from such Eligible Investments shall be charged to the Collection Account.

(c) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall at all times direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, apply all funds on deposit in the Securities Lending Account in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. All applications on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any Eligible Investments. The interest on the Eligible Investments shall be allocated between the Issuer and the Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the related Securities Lending Agreement. If before an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Servicer within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Securities Lending Account. If the Trustee does not thereupon receive written instructions from the Servicer within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall apply the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that mature no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. If after an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall apply the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. All interest and other income from such Eligible Investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from such

Eligible Investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from such Eligible Investments shall be charged to the Collection Account.

(d) The Trustee agrees to give the Issuer notice as soon as reasonably practicable if a Trust Officer obtains actual knowledge that any Account or any funds on deposit in any Account, or otherwise to the credit of an Account, shall become subject to any writ, order, judgment, warrant of attachment, execution or similar process. All Accounts shall remain at all times with the Custodian or a financial institution having a long-term debt rating of at least "Baa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) by Moody's and at least "BBB+" by S&P and having combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000 that has entered into one or more securities account control agreements substantially in the form of Exhibit G; provided, however, that (i) with respect to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Synthetic Security Counterparty shall be a party to such control agreement and shall consent to the Trustee's control of such Synthetic Security Collateral Account, (ii) with respect to the Securities Lending Account, the Securities Lender shall be a party to such control agreement and shall consent to the Trustee's control of such Securities Lending Account and (iii) with respect to each Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the related Hedge Counterparty shall be a party to such control agreement and shall consent to the Trustee's control of such Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.

(e) The Trustee shall supply, in a timely fashion, to the Co-Issuers and the Servicer any information regularly maintained by the Trustee that the Co-Issuers or the Servicer may from time to time request with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the Accounts and the Collateral and provide any other requested information reasonably available to the Trustee because of its acting as Trustee under this Indenture and required to be provided by Section 10.6, to permit the Servicer to perform its obligations under the Servicing Agreement. The Trustee shall promptly forward to the Servicer copies of notices and other writings received by it from the issuer of any Collateral Obligation or from any Clearing Agency with respect to any Collateral Obligation which notices or writings advise the holders of the security of any rights that the holders might have with respect to the Collateral Obligation (including requests to vote with respect to amendments or waivers and notices of prepayments and redemptions) as well as all periodic financial reports received from the issuer and Clearing Agencies with respect to the issuer.

(f) To the extent monies deposited in any Account exceed amounts insured by the Bank Insurance Fund or Savings Association Insurance Fund administered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any agencies succeeding to its insurance functions, and are not fully collateralized by direct obligations of the United States of America, the excess shall be held in Eligible Investments as described above.

#### Section 10.5. *Synthetic Security Counterparty Account.*

(a) To the extent that any Synthetic Security requires the Issuer to secure its obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty or to the extent that any Synthetic Security has an unfunded amount payable by the Issuer that does not by its terms require collateral, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee and the Trustee shall establish a segregated non-interest bearing trust account for the Synthetic Security which shall be held in trust for the benefit of the related Synthetic Security Counterparty and over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and this Indenture (a "**Synthetic Security Counterparty Account**"). In the alternative, a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account may be established with a trustee designated by the Synthetic Security Counterparty if that trustee would qualify to be a successor trustee under Section 6.9 and the account satisfies the other requirements of this Section.

As directed in writing by the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit (or deliver for deposit) into each Synthetic Security Counterparty Account all amounts or securities that are required to secure the obligations of the Issuer in accordance with the related Synthetic Security and, without duplication, an amount equal to the unfunded amount of a Synthetic Security, including the entire notional amount of any Synthetic Security in the form of a credit default swap or other similar transaction. The Servicer shall direct any such deposit only during the Replacement Period and only to the extent that monies are available for the purchase of Collateral Obligations pursuant to this Indenture. Any income received on amounts in the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall, after application in accordance with the relevant Synthetic Security, be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Interest Proceeds.

(b) As directed by the Servicer in writing and in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and this Indenture, amounts on deposit in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in Synthetic Security Collateral.

(c) In connection with the occurrence of a credit event or an event of default or a termination event (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security) under the related Synthetic Security, amounts in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be withdrawn by the Trustee (or the Trustee shall request their withdrawal) and applied toward the payment of any amounts payable by the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the Synthetic Security, as directed by the Servicer in writing. Any excess amounts held in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, or held directly by a Synthetic Security Counterparty, after payment of all amounts owing from the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the related Synthetic Security shall be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Principal Proceeds.

(d) Amounts on deposit in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the Synthetic Security that relates to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer (with the notional amount as the Principal Balance unless a default exists under the applicable Synthetic Security).

#### Section 10.6. *Accountings.*

(a) *Monthly.* Commencing the earlier of (a) the first full month after the Ramp-Up Completion Date and (b) the month ending April, 2007, (i) in the case of a month in which there is no Payment Date, not later than the eighth Business Day after the last calendar day of such month and (ii) in the case of a month in which there is a Payment Date, on such Payment Date, the Issuer shall cause to be compiled and provided to the Servicer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares), the Initial Purchaser, each Hedge Counterparty, the Rating Agencies, (if so requested by the Initial Purchaser) the Repository in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(viii) or each Holder of a Note who makes a written request therefor, and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, the Beneficial Owner (or its designee), a monthly report (the "**Monthly Report**"). Each Monthly Report shall be accompanied by a Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice. The Monthly Report shall contain the following information, determined as of (1) in the case of a month in which there is no Payment Date, the last day of the applicable month and (2) in the case of a month in which there is a Payment Date, the Determination Date for such Payment Date, based in part on information provided by the Servicer (the "**Monthly Determination Date**"):

(i) *Collateral:*

(A) The Aggregate Principal Balance (and, in the case of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its funded and unfunded amount), interest rate, Stated Maturity and obligor of each Collateral Obligation;

(B) The stated principal balance of Defaulted Collateral Obligations;

(C) The identity of all Collateral Obligations and all obligations that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange do not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that were released for sale or other disposition (and, for each obligation sold, indicating whether sold as a Credit Risk Obligation, a Credit Improved Obligation, a Current-Pay Obligation, a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, a Workout Asset or an obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation or whether sold in connection with any withholding tax pursuant to Section 12.1(e) or sold as a discretionary sale pursuant to Section 12.1(h)); and the identity of all Collateral Obligations that were acquired, in each case since the date of the previous Monthly Report;

(D) The obligor of each Workout Asset;

(E) The Purchase Price of each Collateral Obligation acquired, the sale price of each Collateral Obligation sold (or the adjusted purchase or sale price with respect to any exchange of securities requiring an allocation by the Servicer) since the date of the previous Monthly Report, and the gain or loss (measured against its Purchase Price) on each sale;

(F) The identity of each Collateral Obligation (1) that is a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, a Workout Asset or a PIK Security, and in the case of a PIK Security (i) the principal amount of previously deferred or capitalized interest and (ii) the change in the principal amount of previously deferred or capitalized interest since the most recent Monthly Report or (2) in respect of which an obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation has been received, in each case indicating the date of such default, as applicable, and reporting any Other Indebtedness, as defined in clause (ii) in the definition of "Defaulted Collateral Obligation," that the Servicer has determined not to be material;

(G) The S&P Industry Classification and the Moody's Industry Classification for each Collateral Obligation and the five highest concentrations of Collateral Obligations in the Moody's Industry Classification groups and the five highest concentrations of Collateral Obligations in the S&P Industry Classification groups;

(H) For each Collateral Obligation, the country of the obligor (and the related foreign currency debt rating) and, in the case of a country other than the United States of America, whether the obligor is Domiciled in a Moody's Group I Country, Moody's Group II Country, or Moody's Group III Country and the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations issued by issuers in the applicable country;

(I) For each Collateral Obligation, the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate and S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate;

(J) For each Collateral Obligation, the S&P Rating, and if any S&P Rating for any Collateral Obligation in any Monthly Report is a credit estimate, "non-public" rating or "shadow" rating, the rating shall not be disclosed, but shall be replaced with an asterisk in the place of the applicable credit estimate, "non-public" rating or "shadow" rating;

(K) For each Collateral Obligation, the Moody's Rating and the Moody's Rating Factor, determined, for this purpose, and set forth both with and without regard to whether the Collateral Obligation has been put on watch for possible upgrade or downgrade, and if any Moody's Rating for any Collateral Obligation in any Monthly Report is an "estimated" or "shadow" rating, the rating shall not be disclosed, but shall be replaced with an asterisk in the place of the applicable "estimated" or "shadow" rating;

(L) The Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that have a Moody's Rating of "Caa1" or lower;

(M) The Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that have an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower;

(N) For each Collateral Obligation that is a Participation or a Synthetic Security or is loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement, the related Secondary Risk Counterparty and each Rating Agency's long-term unsecured debt rating of the Secondary Risk Counterparty;

(O) Certain S&P benchmarks relating to the portfolio as provided by S&P in the S&P CDO Monitor regardless whether or not the S&P CDO Monitor passes or fails, including (1) S&P Default Measure (Annualized Portfolio Default Rate), (2) S&P Variability Measure (Annualized Standard Deviation of Portfolio Default Rate), (3) S&P Correlation Measure (Ratio of Standard Deviation of Portfolio with Correlation to Standard Deviation of Portfolio without Correlation) and (4) Weighted Average Default Correlation;

(P) The identity and Market Value of each Collateral Obligation whose Market Value (in the determination of the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator) was determined pursuant to last proviso in the definition of "Market Value";

(Q) The identity of each Collateral Obligation participated from or entered into with a Secondary Risk Counterparty; and

(R) The identity of each Collateral Obligation owned by the Issuer that has not been disposed of within the time limits required by this Indenture.

(ii) *Accounts:*

(A) The amount of any proceeds in the Collection Account, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds (excluding unapplied proceeds), and unapplied proceeds;

(B) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Revolving Reserve Account;

(C) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account;

(D) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account;

(E) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Securities Lending Account; and

(F) The amount of any proceeds in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account;

(iii) *Hedge Agreements:*

(A) The outstanding notional amount of each Hedge Agreement; and

(B) The amount scheduled to be received and paid by the Issuer pursuant to each Hedge Agreement on the next Payment Date (as specified by the calculation agent under each Hedge Agreement);

(iv) *Coverage Tests, Collateral Quality Tests and Retention Overcollateralization Test:*

(A) The Overcollateralization Ratios and the Overcollateralization Ratios as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date; a statement as to whether each of the Overcollateralization Tests is satisfied and a statement as to whether the Retention Overcollateralization Test is satisfied;

(B) The Interest Coverage Ratios and, on and after the second Payment Date, a statement as to whether each of the Interest Coverage Tests is satisfied;

(C) The Diversity Score and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Diversity Test is satisfied;

(D) The Weighted Average Life of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied;

(E) The Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate, the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test with respect to the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate and Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test with respect to the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate is satisfied;

(F) The Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied and a statement as to the amount of Spread Excess was used to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test;

(G) The Weighted Average Spread of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied and a statement as to the amount of Fixed Rate Excess was used to satisfy the Weighted Average Spread Test;

(H) The Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied; and

(I) The S&P CDO Monitor Test and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied and the Class Scenario Loss Rate and the then applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate with respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P and the adjusted Weighted Average Spread level determined as set forth in the definition of "Note Break-Even Loss Rate";

(v) *Concentration Limitations and Withholding Taxes:*

(A) The percentage of the Maximum Amount itemized against each element of the Concentration Limitations and a statement as to whether each Concentration Limitation is satisfied; and

(B) Any withholding tax on payments under any Collateral Obligation;

(vi) *Securities Lending Agreements:*

(A) Each Collateral Obligation loaned or borrowed pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and the percentage of the Maximum Amount that represents Collateral Obligations that are loaned or borrowed pursuant to Securities Lending Agreements; and

(B) With respect to each Securities Lending Agreement in effect as of the Monthly Determination Date, a list setting forth:

(1) for each Collateral Obligation loaned or borrowed under it as of the first day of the loan, (x) its Principal Balance, (y) its Market Value and (z) its Principal Balance expressed as a percentage of the Maximum Amount,

(2) the term of the loan of the Collateral Obligation,

(3) the expiration date of the Securities Lending Agreement,

(4) the Moody's Rating and S&P Rating for each loaned or borrowed Collateral Obligation,

(5) the principal amount of the related Securities Lending Collateral held in the Securities Lending Account, and

(6) the Eligible Investments held as Securities Lending Collateral pursuant to the related Securities Lending Agreement; and



(vii) Any other information the Trustee reasonably requests.

Upon receipt of each Monthly Report, the Trustee shall compare the information contained in the Monthly Report to the information contained in its records with respect to the Collateral and shall, within three Business Days after receipt of such Monthly Report, notify the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer if the information contained in the Monthly Report does not conform to the information maintained by the Trustee with respect to the Collateral, and shall detail any discrepancies. In the event that any discrepancy exists, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Servicer shall attempt to resolve the discrepancy. If such discrepancy cannot be promptly resolved, the Trustee shall within five Business Days after notification of such discrepancy cause the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8 to review such Monthly Report and the Trustee's records to determine the cause of such discrepancy. If such review reveals an error in the Monthly Report or the Trustee's records, the Monthly Report or the Trustee's records shall be revised accordingly and, as so revised, shall be used in making all calculations pursuant to this Indenture and notice of any error in the Monthly Report shall be sent as soon as practicable by the Issuer to all recipients of the report. If the review by the Independent accountants does not resolve the discrepancy, the Trustee, upon receipt of an Officer's certificate of the Servicer certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the information contained in the related Monthly Report is correct, shall conform the information it maintains to the Monthly Report received.

(b) *Payment Date Accounting.* The Issuer shall cause to be rendered an accounting report (the "**Valuation Report**"), determined as of the close of business on each Determination Date, and provided to the Servicer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares), the Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, each Hedge Counterparty, the Rating Agencies and each Noteholder (if so requested by the Initial Purchaser) the Repository in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(viii), the Depository (with instructions to forward it to each of its Agent Members who are Noteholders), and upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner and the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) not later than the second Business Day preceding the related Payment Date. Each Valuation Report shall be accompanied by a Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice. The Valuation Report shall contain the following information as of the related Payment Date (unless otherwise stated), based in part on information provided by the Servicer:

(i) *Notes:*

(A) The amount of principal payments to be made on each Class of Notes on the related Payment Date;

(B) The Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes after giving effect to any principal payments on the related Payment Date and, for each Class of Notes, the percentage of its initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount that amount represents;

(C) For each Class of Notes, the percentage of the initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all of the Notes that its initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount represented and, after giving effect to any principal payments on the related Payment Date, the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all of the Notes that its Aggregate Outstanding Amount represents;

(D) The interest payable in respect of each Class of Notes on the related Payment Date (in the aggregate and by Class) and its calculation in reasonable detail; and

(E) The amounts to be paid, if any, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payments on the Preference Shares on the related Payment Date, showing separately the payments from Interest Proceeds and the payments from Principal Proceeds;

(ii) *Payment Date Payments:*

(A) The amounts to be distributed under each clause of Sections 11.1(a)(i), 11.1(a)(ii) and 11.2 itemized by clause, and to the extent applicable, by type of distribution under the clause; and

(B) Any amounts payable under the Hedge Agreements by any Hedge Counterparty on or before the related Payment Date and its calculation in reasonable detail (as specified by the calculation agent under the Hedge Agreement);

(iii) *Accounts:*

(A) The amount of any proceeds in the Collection Account, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds (excluding unapplied proceeds) and unapplied proceeds;

(B) The amount in the Collection Account after all payments and deposits to be made on the related Payment Date, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds and as Principal Proceeds;

(C) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Revolving Reserve Account;

(D) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account;

(E) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account;

(F) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Securities Lending Account;

(G) The amount in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account; and

(H) The amount in the Expense Reimbursement Account;

(iv) A notice setting forth LIBOR, as calculated by the Calculation Agent, for the next Interest Period and each Note Interest Rate for the next Payment Date; and

(v) Any other information the Trustee reasonably requests.

Upon receipt of each Valuation Report, the Trustee shall compare the information contained in the Valuation Report to the information contained in its records with respect to the Collateral and shall, within three Business Days after receipt of such Valuation Report, notify the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer if the information contained in the Valuation Report does not conform to the information maintained by the Trustee with respect to the Collateral,

and shall detail any discrepancies. In the event that any discrepancy exists, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Servicer shall attempt to resolve the discrepancy. If such discrepancy cannot be promptly resolved, the Trustee shall within five Business Days after notification of such discrepancy cause the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8 to review such Valuation Report and the Trustee's records to determine the cause of such discrepancy. If such review reveals an error in the Valuation Report or the Trustee's records, the Valuation Report or the Trustee's records shall be revised accordingly and, as so revised, shall be used in making all calculations pursuant to this Indenture and notice of any error in the Valuation Report shall be sent as soon as practicable by the Issuer to all recipients of such report. If the review by the Independent accountants does not resolve the discrepancy, the Trustee, upon receipt of an Officer's certificate of the Servicer certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the information contained in the related Valuation Report is correct, shall conform the information it maintains to the Valuation Report received.

(c) *Failure to Provide Accounting.* If the Trustee shall not have received any accounting provided for in Section 10.6(b) on the first Business Day after the date on which the accounting is due to the Trustee, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Servicer, and the Servicer shall use all reasonable efforts to cause the accounting to be made by the applicable Payment Date. To the extent the Trustee is required to provide any information or reports pursuant to this Section 10.6 as a result of the failure of the Issuer (or anyone acting on the Issuer's behalf) to provide the information or reports, the Trustee may retain an Independent certified public accountant in connection therewith and the reasonable costs incurred by the Trustee for the Independent certified public accountant shall be reimbursed pursuant to Section 6.8.

(d) *Irish Stock Exchange.* So long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange: (i) the Trustee shall communicate to the Irish Stock Exchange the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each listed Class of Senior Notes following each Payment Date and inform the Irish Stock Exchange if any such Class of Senior Notes did not receive scheduled payments of principal or interest on the Payment Date; (ii) the Trustee shall inform the Irish Stock Exchange if the ratings assigned to the Senior Notes are reduced or withdrawn and the information shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange; and (iii) the Trustee shall inform the Irish Stock Exchange, in advance, of the Note Interest Rate for each such Class, as well as the exact date of the following Payment Date.

(e) *Quarterly Letter.* The Servicer shall provide a quarterly letter to the recipients of the Valuation Report highlighting events occurring during the related quarterly period within 30 days of the date of the delivery of the Valuation Report.

(f) *S&P CDO Monitor.* On or after the Ramp-Up Completion Date and together with each Monthly Report, the Issuer shall provide to S&P the Excel Default Model Input File and, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, the name of the obligor thereon, the CUSIP number thereof (if applicable) and the S&P Priority Category thereof.

(g) *Payments or Transfers from the Payment Account.* Each Valuation Report shall constitute instructions to the Trustee to withdraw on the related Payment Date from the Payment Account and pay or transfer amounts set forth in such Valuation Report in the manner specified and in accordance with the priority established in Section 11.1 hereof.

#### Section 10.7. *Release of Collateral.*

(a) The Trustee shall present Collateral for redemption or payment in full in accordance with the terms of the Collateral upon receipt of an Issuer Order. If no Event of Default is

continuing, the Issuer may, by Issuer Order executed by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, delivered to the Trustee at least two Business Days before the settlement date for any sale of an obligation certifying that the sale of the Collateral is being made in accordance with Sections 12.1 and 12.3 and the sale complies with all applicable requirements of Section 12.1, direct the Trustee to release the Collateral and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall deliver any such Collateral, if in physical form, duly endorsed to the broker or purchaser designated in the Issuer Order or otherwise cause an appropriate transfer of it to be made, in each case against receipt of the sales price therefor as specified by the Servicer in the Issuer Order. The Trustee may deliver any such Collateral in physical form for examination pursuant to a bailee letter.

(b) The Trustee shall, upon an Issuer Order executed by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, deliver any Pledged Obligation that is set for any mandatory call or redemption or payment in full to the appropriate paying agent on or before the date set for the call, redemption or payment, in each case against receipt of its call or redemption price or payment in full and provide notice of it to the Servicer.

(c) Upon receiving actual notice of any Offer, the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer shall notify the Servicer of any Collateral Obligation that is subject to a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion or other similar action (an "*Offer*"). If no Event of Default is continuing, the Servicer may direct the Trustee (and if an Event of Default is continuing, the Servicer may advise, and the Trustee may, in consultation with the Servicer, decide) to accept or participate in or decline or refuse to participate in the Offer and, in the case of acceptance or participation, to dispose of the Collateral Obligation in accordance with the Offer against receipt of payment for it. If the consideration to be received by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation is other than Cash, the consideration must be a Collateral Obligation that would be eligible for purchase by the Issuer pursuant to Section 12.2 assuming for this purpose that the Issuer committed to purchase the same on the date on which the Issuer accepts the Offer.

(d) Upon disposition by the Trustee of Collateral to any Person against receipt of payment therefore as provided in any of the foregoing clauses (a), (b) or (c), the Collateral shall be free of the lien of this Indenture. The lien shall continue in the proceeds received from the disposition.

(e) As provided in Section 10.2(b), the Trustee shall deposit any proceeds received by it from the disposition of a Pledged Obligation in the Collection Account, unless simultaneously applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or Eligible Investments as permitted under and in accordance with the requirements of this Article 10 and Article 12.

(f) The Trustee shall, upon receipt of an Issuer Order when no Notes are Outstanding and all obligations of the Co-Issuers under this Indenture have been satisfied, as evidenced by an Officer's certificate or an Opinion of Counsel, release any remaining Collateral from the lien of this Indenture.

(g) The Trustee shall release from the lien of this Indenture any Collateral that is provided directly to a Synthetic Security Counterparty or deposited in a segregated account in accordance with Section 10.5. Any Collateral or proceeds received by or redeposited by the Issuer into the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.5 shall again be subject to the lien of this Indenture.

Any collateral deposited in a segregated account in accordance with Section 10.3(d), (e), and (f) shall be subject to the lien of this Indenture for the benefit of the Secured Parties. Any collateral withdrawn by the Issuer in accordance with Section 10.3(d), (e), and (f) shall be released from the lien of this Indenture by the Trustee to the extent returned to the appropriate counterparty pursuant to Sections 10.3(d), (e) and (f).

**Section 10.8. *Reports by Independent Accountants.***

(a) At the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall appoint a firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation for purposes of preparing and delivering the reports or certificates of the accountants required by this Indenture. Within 30 days of any resignation by the firm, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall promptly appoint by Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee and each Rating Agency a successor firm that is a firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation. If the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, fails to appoint a successor to a firm of Independent certified public accountants which has resigned within 30 days after the resignation, the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, shall promptly appoint a successor firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation. The fees of such Independent certified public accountants and their successors shall be payable by the Issuer as an Administrative Expense.

(b) On or before November 17 of each year commencing in 2007, the Issuer shall cause to be delivered to the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer or each Noteholder or Holder of Preference Shares upon written request therefor, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) and each Rating Agency a statement from a firm of Independent certified public accountants indicating (i) that the firm has reviewed each Valuation Report received since the last review and applicable information from the Trustee, (ii) that the calculations within those Valuation Reports have been performed in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture (except as otherwise noted in the statement) and (iii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the preceding Determination Date. If a conflict exists between the firm of Independent certified public accountants and the Issuer with respect to any matter in this Section 10.7, the determination by that firm of Independent public accountants shall be conclusive. The statement shall be in the form of an Accountant's Certificate issued to the Issuer, the form of which shall be agreed on by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer.

(c) Upon the written request of the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any Holder of Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the firm of Independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to Section 10.7(a) to provide any Holder of Preference Shares with all information requested pursuant to Section 7.17(g) or provide the Issuer with any assistance required in its preparation.

**Section 10.9. *Reports to Rating Agencies.***

In addition to the information and reports specifically required to be provided to each Rating Agency pursuant to this Indenture, the Issuer shall provide each Rating Agency with the Accountants' Certificates delivered to the Trustee under this Indenture, and such additional information as either Rating Agency may from time to time reasonably request. In addition, any notices of restructurings and amendments received by the Issuer or the Trustee in connection with the Issuer's ownership of a DIP Loan shall be delivered by the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) or the Trustee, as the case may be, promptly to the Rating Agencies.

## ARTICLE 11

### APPLICATION OF MONIES

#### Section 11.1. *Disbursements of Monies from Payment Account.*

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision in this Indenture, but subject to the other subsections of this Section 11.1 and to Section 13.1, on each Payment Date, the Trustee shall disburse available amounts from the Payment Account as follows and for application by the Trustee in accordance with the following priorities (the "**Priority of Payments**"):

(i) On each Payment Date, Interest Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period (other than Interest Proceeds previously used during such Due Period to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations or otherwise used as permitted by Section 10.2) shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

(1) to the payment of any taxes and registration and filing fees owed by the Co-Issuers (without limit) and then to the payment of Administrative Expenses up to the Administrative Expense Cap as follows:

FIRST, in the following order of priority,

- (i) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Trustee; and then
- (ii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Collateral Administrator;  
and then
- (iii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Preference Shares Paying Agent
- (iv) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent; and

SECOND, in the following order of priority,

- (x) fees and expenses of the Administrator; and then
  - (y) fees and expenses of the Co-Issuers (including fees and expenses of counsel and ongoing surveillance, credit estimate, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies) and any other Person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for in this Indenture, and to the expenses (but not fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;
- (2) the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts paid pursuant to clause (1) above to deposit into the Expense Reimbursement Account;
- (3) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with Section 10.3(j) an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee then due and payable and SECOND, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Senior

Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause;

(4) to the payment of all amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements (if any) other than any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;

(5) FIRST to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-1a Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-1a Notes and SECOND to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-1b Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-1b Notes;

(6) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-2 Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-2 Notes;

(7) if the Class A Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes and the Class A-2 Notes in the Note Payment Sequence in the amount necessary so that all of the Class A Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (7) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(1) on the current Payment Date);

(8) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B Notes (excluding Class B Deferred Interest, but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class B Deferred Interest);

(9) if the Class B Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class B Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (9) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(2) on the current Payment Date);

(10) to the payment of Class B Deferred Interest;

(11) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class C Notes (excluding Class C Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class C Deferred Interest);

(12) if the Class C Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class C Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (12) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(5) on the current Payment Date);

- (13) to the payment of Class C Deferred Interest;
- (14) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class D Notes (excluding Class D Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class D Deferred Interest);
- (15) if the Class D Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class D Notes in the amount necessary so that all of the Class Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full, or if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that a Rating Confirmation is obtained, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (15) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(6) on the current Payment Date);
- (16) to the payment of Class D Deferred Interest;
- (17) to deposit in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds amounts representing Principal Proceeds previously used to pay amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (6), (8), (10), (11), (13), (14) and (16) above and not previously restored to the Collection Account or, if not restored to the Collection Account, used to purchase Collateral Obligations;
- (18) during the Replacement Period, if the Retention Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, for deposit to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds the lesser of (i) 50% of the remaining Interest Proceeds available after the payments pursuant to clause (17) above and (ii) the amount necessary to cause the Retention Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as of such Determination Date, after application of funds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(1) on the current Payment Date;
- (19) to the payment of any remaining Administrative Expenses not paid under clause (1) above in the respective priorities specified in clause (1);
- (20) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with Section 10.3(j) an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee then due and payable and SECOND, to the payment (*pro rata* according to the amounts payable under clauses (x) and (y) below) to: (x) the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and (y) *pro rata* to each Noteholder entitled thereto, the applicable Extension Bonus Payment pursuant to, and in accordance with, Section 2.4(g);
- (21) to the payment of any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;
- (22) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of



Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0%;

(23) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with Section 10.3(j) of an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) the Supplemental Servicing Fee, if applicable and SECOND, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Supplemental Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and

(24) any remaining Interest Proceeds, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares;

*provided that*, in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds referred to under clauses (22) and (24) above, in whole or in part on any Payment Date, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute any Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be due and payable on such Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to any such Payment Date shall be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution in accordance with Priority of Payments on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be increased accordingly.

(ii) On each Payment Date, Principal Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period other than:

(A) Principal Proceeds previously used to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or otherwise used as permitted by Section 10.2,

(B) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, or the Securities Lending Account, and

(C) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed Purchase Prices for Collateral Obligations with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment before the end of the Due Period for their purchase, but has not settled the purchase by the end of the Due Period,

shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

(1) (x) FIRST, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (6) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (y) SECOND, to the payment of amounts referred to in clause (7) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class A Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (1), or until such amounts are paid in full;

(2) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (8) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(3) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (9) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class B Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (3), or until such amounts are paid in full;

(4) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (10) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(5) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (11) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(6) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (12) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class C Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (6), or until such amounts are paid in full;

(7) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (13) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(8) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (14) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(9) to the payment of principal of the Notes in the Note Payment Sequence in an amount necessary to (A) cause the Class D Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (9), or until paid in full or (B) if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, obtain a Rating Confirmation, or until paid in full;

(10) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (16) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(11)

(A) if the Payment Date is a Redemption Date in the following order of priority: (i) to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of the Redemption Prices of all of the Notes to be redeemed, (ii) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (19) through (23) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (iii) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit

into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares of the Redemption Price of any Preference Shares to be redeemed; and

(B) if the Payment Date is a Special Redemption Date, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of the Notes in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount, in each case until paid in full;

(12) during the Replacement Period, all remaining Principal Proceeds to the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.19 and Article 12 (and, until so applied (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), to be deposited in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds);

(13) after the Replacement Period, (i) FIRST, at the discretion of the Servicer (with respect to Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations) to the purchase or funding of additional or replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the applicable provisions of this Indenture when appropriate Collateral Obligations are available, and until such time, to the Collection Account for the purchase of Eligible Investments; and (ii) SECOND, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of Notes until paid in full;

(14) to the extent not previously paid in full under clause (11) above, after the Replacement Period, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (19) through (23) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; and

(15) after the Replacement Period to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

(b) If on any Payment Date the amount available in the Payment Account is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by the Valuation Report, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for in the order and according to the priority under Section 11.1(a), subject to Section 13.1, to the extent funds are available therefor.

(c) The Trustee shall remit funds to pay Administrative Expenses of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in accordance with Section 11.1(a), to the extent available, to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer as directed and designated in an Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions) delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before each Payment Date.

(d) If the Hedge Counterparty defaults in the payment of its obligations to the Issuer under the respective Hedge Agreements on the date on which any payment is due thereunder, the Trustee shall make a demand on the Hedge Counterparty, or any guarantor, if applicable, demanding payment by 12:30 p.m., New York time, on that date. The Trustee shall give notice to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer and each Rating Agency upon the continuing failure by the Hedge Counterparty to perform its obligations during the two Business Days following a demand made by the Trustee on, the Hedge Counterparty, and shall take the action with respect to the continuing

failure as directed by the Servicer unless an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing in which case direction is to be taken pursuant to Section 5.13.

(e) Except as otherwise expressly provided in Section 11.1(a) above, if on any Payment Date, the amount available in the Payment Account from amounts received in the related Due Period is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by any numbered or lettered paragraph or clause of Section 11.1(a) to different Persons, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for by the paragraph or clause ratably in accordance with the respective amounts of the disbursements then payable, subject to Section 13.1, to the extent funds are available therefor.

(f) If the Securities held or beneficially owned by any Multiple Class Holder are held or beneficially owned by a trust established on the Closing Date in connection with the transactions contemplated by the Transaction Documents, any ordinary course administrative fees or expenses of such trust shall be paid by the Issuer under this Indenture.

## ARTICLE 12

### SALE OF COLLATERAL OBLIGATIONS; PURCHASE OF COLLATERAL OBLIGATIONS

#### Section 12.1. *Sales of Collateral Obligations.*

Subject to the satisfaction of the conditions specified in Section 10.6, Section 12.1 and Section 12.3 and if no Event of Default is continuing as evidenced by an Officer's certificate of the Servicer provided to the Trustee, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset if the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that the sale meets the requirements of any one of paragraphs (a) through (i) of this Section 12.1. If the Issuer sells any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset during the Replacement Period, the proceeds shall be applied in accordance with Section 12.2.

(a) *Credit Risk Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Risk Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Risk Obligation in accordance with such direction. Following any sale of a Credit Risk Obligation pursuant to this Section 12.1(a), at the direction of the Servicer during the Replacement Period, the Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (to the extent the purchase is in the best interest of the Issuer) meeting the Eligibility Criteria with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Sale Proceeds received by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral Obligation sold. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount.

(b) *Credit Improved Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Improved Obligation if either:

(i) during the Replacement Period, the Servicer has identified in writing before the sale one or more specific manners in which it will be able, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria and the requirements set forth in Section 12.1(i), to cause the Issuer to use the Sale Proceeds (it being understood that such identification shall not be considered either a requirement or an assurance that any specified purchase will be consummated) to purchase one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance

at least equal to the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Credit Improved Obligation by the end of the immediately succeeding Due Period (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest) which in aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Tests, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith being improved, (ii) the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests and Concentration Limitations being improved on a net basis in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased; or

(ii) after the Replacement Period, the Sale Proceeds received in respect of the Credit Improved Obligation are at least equal to its Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest;

and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Improved Obligation in accordance with such direction.

(c) *Non-Performing Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction. Non-Performing Collateral Obligations may be sold regardless of price.

(d) *Non-qualifying Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation (the “**Non-qualifying Collateral Obligation**”) at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell that obligation in accordance with such direction.

(e) *Withholding Tax Sales.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation subject to withholding tax at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction.

(f) *Optional Redemption.* After the Issuer has notified the Trustee of an Optional Redemption of the Notes in accordance with Article 9, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all or a portion of the Collateral Obligations as contemplated therein if (i) the requirements of Article 9 are satisfied and (ii) the Independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to Section 10.7 have confirmed the calculations contained in any required certificate furnished by the Servicer pursuant to Section 9.3(c). After a Majority of the Preference Shares have directed an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares in accordance with Section 9.2(b), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all of the remaining

Collateral Obligations (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(i)) or a portion of the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous directions of Holders of the Preference Shares (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii)) and the Trustee shall sell the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

(g) *Rating Confirmation Failure.* After the Servicer has received notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Securities, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell Collateral Obligations as contemplated in Section 9.1 and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

(h) *Workout Assets.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Workout Asset at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and regardless of price and the Trustee shall sell the Workout Assets in accordance with such direction.

(i) *Supervening Requirement.* Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Issuer (at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise) shall not acquire or dispose of a Collateral Obligation or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. For the avoidance of doubt, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise, may direct the Trustee to sell any CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation or Deep Discount Obligation only (a) if it constitutes Credit Risk Obligation or Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or (b) in connection with the Optional Redemption as set out in paragraph (f) above. The Trustee shall have no obligation to monitor compliance by the Issuer or the Servicer with respect to the requirement set out in this paragraph (i).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation (other than the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation or a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation pursuant to a sale that meets the requirements in paragraph (a) or (c) above, as applicable) following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to Section 14 of the Servicing Agreement until a successor Servicer is appointed pursuant to Section 12 of the Servicing Agreement.

#### Section 12.2. *Purchase of Collateral Obligations.*

(a) On any date during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, on any date after the Replacement Period), so long as no Event of Default is continuing, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to apply Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations) to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) if the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the conditions specified in this Section 12.2 and Section 12.3 are met.

(b) *Eligibility Criteria.* No obligations may be purchased unless each of the conditions in the following clauses (i) through (xii) (the "*Eligibility Criteria*") is satisfied as evidenced by a certificate of the Servicer as of the date the Issuer commits to make the purchase, in each case after

giving effect to the purchase and all other purchases and sales previously or simultaneously committed to:

- (i) the obligation is a Collateral Obligation;
- (ii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period:
  - (A) each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied and, if the commitment is made on or after the second Payment Date, each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied, or
  - (B) if any such Coverage Test is not satisfied, both:
    - (1) the extent of satisfaction of the Coverage Test is not reduced, and
    - (2) the Collateral Obligation is being purchased with Principal Proceeds other than:
      - (x) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, or
      - (y) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Workout Asset that has been received in exchange for a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
- (iii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Diversity Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (iv) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (v) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, each of the limits in the definition of "Concentration Limitations" is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (vi) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (vii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (viii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (ix) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(x) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(xi) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced; provided, however, that this Eligibility Criterion (xi) shall not apply either to the application of the proceeds from the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset or to the application of Principal Proceeds in respect of Defaulted Collateral Obligations; and

(xii) for any date occurring after the Replacement Period:

(A) each Coverage Test is satisfied and the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(B) each Collateral Quality Test is maintained or improved and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied;

(C) each Concentration Limitation is maintained or improved and the Aggregate Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations do not exceed 7.5% of the Maximum Amount;

(D) the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied;

(E) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation is at least equal to the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments or of the Credit Risk Obligations or Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable; and

(F) the current Moody's Rating on the Class A-1a Notes is "Aaa" and the current Moody's Ratings on the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes are no lower than one subcategory below their Initial Rating.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) one or more Collateral Obligations may be purchased pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange effected in compliance with Section 12.1(b) regardless of whether such purchase would otherwise satisfy the Eligibility Criterion set forth in clause (xii) above and (ii) the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to purchase any Collateral Obligation following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to Section 14 of the Servicing Agreement until a successor Servicer is appointed pursuant Section 12 of the Servicing Agreement. .

(c) *Certain Permitted Exchanges.* The Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, exchange a Collateral Obligation for another Collateral Obligation in an A/B Exchange.

(d) *Certification by Servicer.* Not later than the Business Day preceding the settlement date for any Collateral Obligation purchased after the Closing Date (but in any event no later than the release of Cash for the Purchase Price of the purchase), the Servicer shall deliver to the Trustee an Officer's certificate of the Servicer certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the purchase complies with this Section 12.2 and with Section 12.3 (determined as of the date that the Issuer commits to make the purchase).



(e) *Eligible Investments.* Cash on deposit in the Collection Account may be held at any time in Eligible Investments in accordance with Section 10.4(a) pending the application thereof to purchase Collateral Obligations.

**Section 12.3. *Conditions Applicable to All Sale and Purchase Transactions.***

(a) Any sale or purchase by the Issuer of a Collateral Obligation shall be conducted on an arm's length basis and, if effected with the Servicer or a Person Affiliated with the Servicer or any fund or account for which the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer acts as investment adviser, shall be effected in accordance with the requirements of Section 5 of the Servicing Agreement on terms no less favorable to the Issuer than would be the case if the Person were not so Affiliated. The Trustee shall have no responsibility to oversee compliance with this clause (a) by the other parties.

(b) Upon any acquisition of any Collateral Obligation, all of the Issuer's interest in the Collateral Obligation shall be Granted to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture.

(c) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Article 12, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to sell or purchase any Collateral Obligation (other than the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation or a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation pursuant to Section 12.1(a) or (c), as applicable) following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to Section 14 of the Servicing Agreement until a successor Servicer is appointed pursuant to Section 12(e) of the Servicing Agreement.

**Section 12.4. *Certain Determinations Relating to Collateral Obligations.***

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Indenture, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have purchased any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to purchase, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to receive such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have acquired, granted or delivered, as the case may be, such Collateral Obligations on such date.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Indenture, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to sell, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to sell, and requiring the purchaser to purchase, such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold such Collateral Obligations on such date.

(c) Under the circumstances described in subsections (a) and (b) above, if the transaction contemplated by the contract, commitment letter, confirmation or due bill referred to therein does not settle on or before the 60th day following the scheduled settlement date (the "**Deadline**"), the deemed purchase or sale shall be deemed not to have occurred; provided, however, that the Servicer shall have the right to extend the Deadline for an additional period (not to exceed an additional 60 days) by notice to the Trustee, which notice shall include the Servicer's certification to the effect that the Servicer believes that the settlement shall occur on or before the extended Deadline.

(d) Scheduled distributions with respect to any Pledged Collateral Obligation shall be determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture.

## ARTICLE 13

## NOTEHOLDERS' RELATIONS

Section 13.1. *Subordination.*

(a) With respect to each Class of Notes and the Preference Shares, the Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares that are Priority Classes and Junior Classes are as follows:

Class	Junior Classes	Priority Classes
Class A-1a Notes	A-1b, A-2, B, C, D, Preference Shares*	None
Class A-1b Notes	A-2, B, C, D, Preference Shares*	Class A-1a
Class A-2 Notes	B, C, D, Preference Shares*	Class A-1
Class B	C, D, Preference Shares*	Class A-1, A-2
Class C	D, Preference Shares*	Class A-1, A-2, B
Class D	Preference Shares*	Class A-1, A-2, B, C
Preference Shares	None**	Class A-1, A-2, B, C, D

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\* Other than with respect to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, which may be payable to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as set forth herein and will have priority to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

\*\* The Preference Shares will be entitled to certain residual cash flow after payment of senior obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

(b) Anything in this Indenture or the Notes to the contrary notwithstanding, the Holders of each Class of Notes that is a Junior Class agree for the benefit of the Holders of Notes of each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class that the Junior Class shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes of each Priority Class to the extent and in the manner provided in this Indenture. If any Event of Default has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs and is continuing in accordance with Article 5, each Priority Class of Notes shall be paid in full in Cash or, to the extent a Majority of each Class consents, other than in Cash, before any further payment or distribution is made on account of any Junior Class of Notes with respect to the Priority Class. The Holders of each Junior Class of Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of Notes of each Priority Class in respect of the Junior Class, not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for failure to pay to them amounts due to the Junior Class, of the Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or under this Indenture until the payment in full of the Priority Classes or all the Classes, as the case may be, and not before one year and a day, or if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, has elapsed since the payment.

(c) If, notwithstanding the provisions of this Indenture, any Holder of Notes of any Junior Class has received any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes contrary to the provisions of this Indenture, then, until each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class of Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, has been paid in full in Cash or, to the extent a Majority of the Priority Class or the Class, as the case may be, consents, other than in Cash in accordance with this Indenture, the payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of,

and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, which shall pay and deliver the same to the Holders of the applicable Priority Classes of Notes or the Holders of all Classes of Notes, as the case may be, in accordance with this Indenture. If any such payment or distribution is made other than in Cash, it shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and subject in all respects to this Indenture, including this Section 13.1.

(d) Each Holder of Notes of any Junior Class agrees with all Holders of the applicable Priority Classes that the Holder of Junior Class Notes shall not demand, accept, or receive any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes in violation of this Indenture including this Section 13.1. After a Priority Class has been paid in full, the Holders of Notes of the related Junior Class or Classes shall be fully subrogated to the rights of the Holders of the Priority Class. Nothing in this Section 13.1 shall affect the obligation of the Issuer to pay Holders of any Junior Class of Notes.

(e) Distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) are subordinate to distributions on the Notes as described in the Priority of Payments.

(f) The Servicing Fees shall have priority only to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

#### Section 13.2. *Standard of Conduct.*

In exercising any of its or their voting rights, rights to direct and consent, or any other rights as a Noteholder under this Indenture, a Noteholder shall not have any obligation or duty to any Person or to consider or take into account the interests of any Person and shall not be liable to any Person for any action taken by it or them or at its or their direction or any failure by it or them to act or to direct that an action be taken, without regard to whether the action or inaction benefits or adversely affects any Noteholder, the Issuer or any other Person, except for any liability to which the Noteholder may be subject to the extent the same results from the Noteholder's taking or directing an action, or failing to take or direct an action, in bad faith or in violation of the express terms of this Indenture.

## ARTICLE 14

### MISCELLANEOUS

#### Section 14.1. *Form of Documents Delivered to Trustee.*

In any case where several matters are required to be certified by, or covered by an opinion of, any specified Person, it is not necessary that all the matters be certified by, or covered by the opinion of, only one Person, or that they be so certified or covered by only one document, but one such Person may certify or give an opinion with respect to some matters and one or more other such Persons as to other matters, and any such Person may certify or give an opinion as to the matters in one or several documents.

Any certificate or opinion of an Officer of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Servicer may be based, insofar as it relates to legal matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, counsel, unless the Officer knows, or should know that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to the matters upon which his certificate or opinion is based are erroneous. Any such certificate of an Officer of the Issuer, Co-Issuer or the Servicer or Opinion of Counsel may be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, the

Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or any other Person, stating that the information with respect to the factual matters is in the possession of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or the other Person, unless the Officer of the Issuer, Co-Issuer or the Servicer or the counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to factual matters are erroneous. Any Opinion of Counsel may also be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, an Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, stating that the information with respect to factual matters is in the possession of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, unless the counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to factual matters are erroneous.

Where any Person is required to make, give, or execute two or more applications, requests, consents, certificates, statements, opinions or other instruments under this Indenture, they may, but need not, be consolidated and form one instrument.

Whenever this Indenture provides that the absence of the continuation of a Default or Event of Default is a condition precedent to the taking of any action by the Trustee at the request or direction of either Co-Issuer, then notwithstanding that the satisfaction of the condition is a condition precedent to the Co-Issuer's right to make the request or direction, the Trustee shall be protected in acting in accordance with the request or direction if it does not have knowledge of the continuation of the Default or Event of Default as provided in Section 6.1(d).

#### Section 14.2. *Acts of Holders of Securities.*

(a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or taken by Holders of Securities may be embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments (which may be an electronic document, including, but not limited, to in the form of e-mail, to the extent permitted by applicable law) of substantially similar tenor signed by Holders of Securities in Person or by agents duly appointed in writing (provided that no signature shall be required on electronic documents, including, but not limited to, in the form of e-mail to the extent permitted by law). Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, the action shall become effective when the instruments are delivered to the Trustee (which instrument or instruments may be delivered through the Preference Shares Paying Agent, in the case of the Holders of the Preference Shares) and, if expressly required, to the Issuer. The instruments (and the action embodied in them) are referred to as the "**Act**" of the Holders of Securities signing the instruments. Proof of execution of any instrument or of a writing appointing an agent for a Holder of a Security shall be sufficient for any purpose of this Indenture and conclusive in favor of the Trustee and the Issuer, if made in the manner provided in this Section.

(b) The fact and date of the execution by any Person of any instrument may be proved by an affidavit of a witness to the execution or the certificate of any notary public or other Person authorized by law to acknowledge the execution of deeds. Any certificate on behalf of a jural entity executed by a Person purporting to have authority to act on behalf of the jural entity shall itself be sufficient proof of the authority of the Person executing it to act. The fact and date of the execution by any Person of any instrument may also be proved in any other manner that the Trustee deems sufficient.

(c) The Indenture Register shall prove the ownership of the Notes and the principal amount and registered numbers of Notes and the number of Preference Shares held by and the number(s) of the Preference Share certificate(s) issued to, any Person shall be proved by the Preference Share register.

(d) Any Act by the Holder of a Security shall bind every Holder of the same Security and every Security issued on its transfer or in exchange for it or in lieu of it, in respect of anything

done, omitted or suffered to be done by the Trustee or the Issuer in reliance on the Act, whether or not notation of the action is made on the Securities.

(e) With respect to any time period or deadline to deliver any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other communication provided by this Indenture to be given by Holders of the Preference Shares, the Holders of Holding Preference Shares shall not be prejudiced by any delay in delivery of such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other communication from the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, Trustee or the Issuer, as the case may be. If any such Holder of Holding Preference Shares timely delivers such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other communication to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other communication shall be deemed to be timely delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, Trustee or the Issuer, as the case may be.

Section 14.3. *Notices, etc., to Certain Persons or Parties.*

(a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, order, notice, consent, waiver, or Act of Holders of Securities or other documents provided or permitted by this Indenture to be made, given, or furnished to, or filed with:

(i) the Trustee or Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and made, given, furnished, or filed to and mailed, by certified mail, return receipt requested, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service guaranteeing next day delivery, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Trustee or Preference Shares Paying Agent addressed to it at, 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116, telecopy no. (617) 351-4358, Attention: CDO Services Group, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto by the Trustee (any request, direction, order, notice or other communication from the Servicer to the Trustee under Article 12 (other than required certifications) may be by electronic mail, which shall be deemed to be in writing);

(ii) the Co-Issuers shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Issuer addressed to it at c/o Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited, P.O. Box 1234, Queensgate House, George Town, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, Cayman Islands, telecopy no. (345) 945-6265, Attention: the Directors—Grayson CLO, Ltd., or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, with a copy to the Servicer at its address below;

(iii) the Servicer shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Servicer addressed to it at Two Galleria Tower, 13455 Noel Road, Suite 800, Dallas, Texas 75240, telecopy no. (972) 628-4147, Attention: James Dondero, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto;

(iv) the Initial Purchaser shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Initial Purchaser addressed to them at 11 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10010, telecopy no. (212) 538-8384,

Attention CDO Group, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, and the Trustee by an Officer of the Initial Purchaser, as the case may be;

(v) any Hedge Counterparty shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered or sent by overnight courier service or by telecopy in legible form to the Hedge Counterparty addressed to it at the address specified in the relevant Hedge Agreement or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Issuer or the Trustee by the Hedge Counterparty;

(vi) the Rating Agencies shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to each Rating Agency addressed to it at Moody's Investors Service, Inc., 99 Church Street, New York, New York, 10007, Telecopy No. (212) 553-4170, cdomonitoring@moodys.com, Attention: CBO/CLO Monitoring and Standard & Poor's, 55 Water Street, 41st Floor, New York, New York 10041-0003, telecopy no. (212) 438-2664, Attention: Asset Backed-CBO/CLO Surveillance and each Monthly Report shall also be sent to S&P electronically to CDO\_Surveillance@standardandpoors.com;

(vii) the Administrator shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by facsimile in legible form, addressed to Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited, P.O. Box 1234, Queensgate House, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, telecopy no. (345) 949-9876, Attention: The Directors; or

(viii) the Repository shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if delivered to the Repository at CDO Library, c/o The Bond Market Association, 360 Madison Avenue, 18th Floor, New York, New York 10017, electronic mail address: admin@cdolibrary.com. Any document required to be delivered or made available to the Repository by the Trustee may be made available by providing the operator of the Repository with access to a website containing such document in a format that permits the user to download the document as a pdf file.

(b) If any provision in this Indenture calls for any notice or document to be delivered simultaneously to the Trustee and any other Person, the Trustee's receipt of the notice or document shall entitle the Trustee to assume that the notice or document was delivered to the other Person unless otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture.

(c) Any Holder or beneficial owner of any Class A-1 Notes may elect to acquire bond insurance, a surety bond, a credit default swap or similar credit enhancement supporting the payment of principal and/or interest on such Class A-1 Notes on terms and conditions acceptable to such Holder or beneficial owner and at the sole expense of such Holder or beneficial owner. On or after any such acquisition, such Holder or beneficial owner may deliver notice (and if from a beneficial owner, any such notice shall include certification that such owner is a beneficial owner of the Class A-1 Notes) to the Trustee in substantially the form of Exhibit K specifying the name and contact information of the insurer, surety, credit protection seller or enhancer of such Class A-1 Notes (each, an "Insurer"). After receipt of any such notice (in the form of Exhibit K) by the Trustee, the Trustee shall copy the related Insurer on all notices, reports or other documents delivered to the Noteholders.

(d) Unless notified to the contrary by Financial Security Assurance Inc. ("FSA") or unless FSA is no longer to direct the vote of at least 58% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1a Notes, each of the parties hereto agrees that, so long as any Class A-1a Notes are Outstanding, FSA shall be entitled to receive, and shall be distributed, all reports, notices, certificates, statements and other information (including access to the Trustee's password protected website) that are required to be delivered to any Holder of the Class A-1a Notes (or that any Holder of the Class A-1a Notes is entitled to request) at the same time and in the same manner as such reports, notices, certificates, statements and other information are delivered to each such Holder of Class A-1a Notes, at the following address (or at any other address furnished in writing from time to time by FSA to the parties hereto): Financial Security Assurance Inc., 31 West 52nd Street, New York, NY 10019, Attention: CDO Surveillance, telephone no.: (212) 826-0100; electronic mail: [cdoreport@fsa.com](mailto:cdoreport@fsa.com), facsimile no.: (212) 339-3581. For the avoidance of doubt, FSA shall be entitled to request directly that the parties hereto provide it with such reports, notices, certificates, statements and other information that are required to be delivered to any Holder of the Class A-1a Notes (or that any Holder of the Class A-1a Notes is entitled to request).

(e) Unless notified to the contrary by CIFG Assurance North America, Inc. ("CIFG"), each of the parties hereto agrees that, so long as any Class A-1a Notes are Outstanding and CIFG provides a credit default swap supporting the payment of principal and/or interest on such Class A-1a Notes, CIFG shall be entitled to receive, and shall be distributed, all reports, notices, certificates, statements and other information (including access to the Trustee's password protected website) that are required to be delivered to any Holder of the Class A-1a Notes (or that any Holder of the Class A-1a Notes is entitled to request) at the same time and in the same manner as such reports, notices, certificates, statements and other information are delivered to each such Holder of Class A-1a Notes, at the following address (or at any other address furnished in writing from time to time by CIFG to the parties hereto): CIFG Assurance North America, Inc., 825 Third Avenue, 6th Floor, New York, New York 10022, Attention: Paul Kwiatkoski, Head of Surveillance, telephone: 212-909-3941, facsimile: 212-909-3958; electronic mail: [surveillance@cifg.com](mailto:surveillance@cifg.com) and [general.counsel@cifg.com](mailto:general.counsel@cifg.com). For the avoidance of doubt, CIFG shall be entitled to request directly that the parties hereto provide it with such reports, notices, certificates, statements and other information that are required to be delivered to any Holder of the Class A-1a Notes (or that any Holder of the Class A-1a Notes is entitled to request).

**Section 14.4. *Notices to Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent; Waiver.***

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, where this Indenture provides for notice to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) of any event,

(a) the notice shall be sufficiently given to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, each Noteholder affected by the event, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, at the address of the Holder as it appears in the Indenture Register, at the address of the Preference Shares Paying Agent supplied by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Trustee or at the address of the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent supplied by the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Trustee, as applicable, not earlier than the earliest date and not later than the latest date, prescribed for the giving of the notice; and

(b) the notice shall be in the English language.

Notices shall be deemed to have been given on the date of their mailing.

Notwithstanding clause (a), a Noteholder, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent may give the Trustee a written notice that it is requesting that notices to it be given by facsimile transmissions and stating the telecopy number for the transmission. Thereafter, the Trustee shall give notices to the Holder, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent by facsimile transmission. If the notice also requests that notices be given by mail, then the notice shall also be given by mail in accordance with clause (a) above, as the case may be.

The Trustee shall deliver to the Noteholders any information or notice relating to this Indenture requested to be so delivered by at least 10% (by Aggregate Outstanding Amount) of the Holders of any Class of Notes at the expense of the Issuer. The Trustee shall deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent any information or notice that the Preference Shares Paying Agent certifies was requested to be so delivered by at least 10% (by Aggregate Outstanding Amount) of the Holders of the Preference Shares at the expense of the Issuer. The Trustee shall deliver to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent any information or notice that the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent certifies was requested to be so delivered by at least 10% (by Aggregate Outstanding Amount) of the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares at the expense of the Issuer.

Neither the failure to mail any notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Noteholder, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent shall affect the sufficiency of the notice with respect to other Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent. If it is impracticable to give the notice by mail of any event to Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent when the notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this Indenture because of the suspension of regular mail service as a result of a strike, work stoppage or similar activity or because of any other cause, then the notification to Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent as shall be made with the approval of the Trustee shall be a sufficient notification to the Holders for every purpose under this Indenture.

Where this Indenture provides for notice in any manner, the notice may be waived in writing by any Person entitled to receive the notice, either before or after the event, and the waiver shall be the equivalent of the notice. Waivers of notice by Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be filed with the Trustee but the filing shall not be a condition precedent to the validity of any action taken in reliance on the waiver.

So long as any Senior Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, all notices to Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Preference Shares) or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Holding Preference Shares) shall also be given to the Irish Paying Agent for publication in the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

The Issuer shall (and authorizes the Trustee to) deliver to the Initial Purchaser all periodic reports, notices, demands, and other written information delivered or received by the Issuer, the Servicer, trustees, paying agents, accountants, or other Persons pursuant to this Indenture and other operative documentation relating to the Notes requested by the Initial Purchaser (collectively, the "**Transaction Reports**") and the Issuer consents to the Initial Purchaser providing Transaction Reports received by it to current and prospective investors in the Notes (including by means of



electronic transmissions or posting the Transaction Reports on internet sites maintained by the Initial Purchaser or any of its Affiliates).

Section 14.5. ***Effect of Headings and Table of Contents.***

The Article and Section headings in this Indenture and the Table of Contents are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction of this Indenture.

Section 14.6. ***Successors and Assigns.***

All covenants and agreements in this Indenture by the Co-Issuers shall bind their respective successors and assigns, whether so expressed or not.

Section 14.7. ***Separability.***

Except to the extent prohibited by applicable law, in case any provision in this Indenture, in the Notes shall be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the validity, legality, and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

Section 14.8. ***Benefits of Indenture.***

Nothing in this Indenture or in the Notes, expressed or implied, shall give to any Person, other than the parties hereto and their successors under this Indenture, the Servicer, the Noteholders, the Holders of Preference Shares or the Preference Shares Paying Agent any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under this Indenture.

Section 14.9. ***Governing Law.***

THIS INDENTURE AND EACH NOTE SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS PROVISIONS THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION.

Section 14.10. ***Submission to Jurisdiction.***

The Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or federal court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Securities or this Indenture, and the Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably agree that all claims in respect of the action or proceeding may be heard and determined in the New York State or federal court. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably waive, to the fullest extent that they may legally do so, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of the action or proceeding. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee irrevocably consent to the service of all process in any action or proceeding by the mailing or delivery of copies of the process to the Co-Issuers at the office of Investors Bank & Trust Company (to the attention of Investors Bank & Trust Company, Trustee for Grayson CLO, Ltd.) set out in Section 7.2. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee agree that a final judgment in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

Section 14.11. ***Counterparts.***

This Indenture may be executed in any number of copies, and by the different parties on the same or separate counterparts, each of which shall be considered to be an original instrument.

Section 14.12. ***Acts of Issuer.***

Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or performed by the Issuer shall be effective if given or performed by the Issuer or by the Servicer on the Issuer's behalf.

Section 14.13. ***Consent of Posting of Documents on Repository.***

The Issuer hereby consents to (a) the posting of the final Offering Memorandum, this Indenture and the periodic reports to be delivered pursuant to the transaction documents and any amendments or other modifications thereto on the Repository for use in the manner provided in the Repository and (b) the display of its name on the Repository in connection therewith. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Trustee makes any representation or warranty to The Bond Market Association (or any successor thereto) or any affiliate thereof or any Person having or obtaining access to the information maintained in the Repository or to any of such Person's affiliates regarding the accuracy or completeness of any information, document, report or other communication transmitted to the Repository, and no Person having or obtaining access to the information maintained in the Repository shall have any rights under this Indenture or otherwise by reason of the transmission of any such information, document, report or other communication to the Repository.

Section 14.14. ***Liability of Co-Issuers.***

Notwithstanding any other terms of this Indenture, the Notes or any other agreement entered into by either of the Co-Issuers or otherwise, neither of the Co-Issuers shall have any liability whatsoever to the other of the Co-Issuers under this Indenture, the Notes, any other agreement, or otherwise. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, neither of the Co-Issuers may take any action to enforce, or bring any action or proceeding, in respect of this Indenture, the Notes, any other agreement, or otherwise against the other of the Co-Issuers. In particular, neither of the Co-Issuers may petition or take any other steps for the winding up or bankruptcy of the other of the Co-Issuers and neither of the Co-Issuers shall have any claim with respect to any assets of the other of the Co-Issuers.

Section 14.15. ***Indemnity of Co-Issuer.***

The Issuer agrees to indemnify the Co-Issuer for any payments that may become due from the Co-Issuer under Article 11 with respect to any Notes issued under this Indenture and any administrative, legal, or other costs incurred by the Co-Issuer in connection with those payments.

## ARTICLE 15

### ASSIGNMENT OF SERVICING AGREEMENT; HEDGE AGREEMENTS

#### Section 15.1. *Assignment of Servicing Agreement; Amendment of Servicing Agreement.*

(a) The Issuer, in furtherance of the covenants of this Indenture and as security for the Notes and amounts payable to the Secured Parties under this Indenture and the performance and observance of the provisions of this Indenture, acknowledges that its Grant pursuant to the first Granting Clause includes all of the Issuer's interest in the Servicing Agreement, including:

- (i) the right to give all notices, consents and releases under it,
- (ii) the right to give all notices of termination pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and to take any legal action upon the breach of an obligation of the Servicer under it, including the commencement, conduct and consummation of proceedings at law or in equity,
- (iii) the right to receive all notices, accountings, consents, releases and statements under it, and
- (iv) the right to do all other things whatsoever that the Issuer is or may be entitled to do under it.

Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, the Trustee may not exercise any of the rights in (i) through (iv) above or that may otherwise arise as a result of the Grant until the occurrence of an Event of Default under this Indenture and the authority shall terminate when the Event of Default is cured or waived.

(b) The assignment made hereby is executed as security, and the execution and delivery hereby shall not in any way impair or diminish the obligations of the Issuer under the Servicing Agreement, nor shall any of the obligations contained in the Servicing Agreement be imposed on the Trustee.

(c) Upon the retirement of the Notes and the release of the Collateral from the lien of this Indenture, this assignment, and all rights in this Indenture assigned to the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders shall cease and terminate and all the interest of the Trustee in the Servicing Agreement shall revert to the Issuer and no further instrument or act shall be necessary to evidence the termination and reversion.

(d) The Issuer represents that the Issuer has not executed any other assignment of the Servicing Agreement.

(e) The Issuer agrees that this assignment is irrevocable, and that it shall not take any action that is inconsistent with this assignment or make any other assignment inconsistent herewith. The Issuer shall, from time to time upon the request of the Trustee, execute all instruments of further assurance and all such supplemental instruments with respect to this assignment as the Trustee may reasonably request.

(f) The Issuer agrees to obtain the agreement and consent of the Servicer in the Servicing Agreement to the following:

(i) the Servicer consents to this collateral assignment and agrees to perform any provisions of this Indenture made expressly applicable to the Servicer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement.

(ii) the Servicer acknowledges that the Issuer is collaterally assigning all of its interest in the Servicing Agreement to the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties and the Servicer agrees that all of the representations, covenants and agreements made by the Servicer in the Servicing Agreement are also for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

(iii) the Servicer shall deliver to the Trustee duplicate original copies of all notices, statements, communications and instruments delivered or required to be delivered to the Issuer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement (other than any of them delivered to the Issuer by the Trustee or the Collateral Administrator).

(iv) the procedure for amending the Servicing Agreement as set forth in Section 15.1(h) below.

(v) except as otherwise provided in this Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, subject to the resignation rights of the Servicer pursuant to Section 12 of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer shall continue to serve as Servicer under the Servicing Agreement notwithstanding that the Servicer shall not have received amounts due it under the Servicing Agreement because sufficient funds were not then available under this Indenture to pay the amounts pursuant to the Priority of Payments. The Servicer agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer for the nonpayment of the fees or other amounts payable by the Administrative Agent to the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement until the payment in full of all Notes issued under this Indenture and the payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent of all amounts payable with respect to the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the expiration of a period equal to the greater of (A) the applicable preference period plus one day or (B) one year and one day following the payment. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Servicer may commence any legal action that is not a bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation or similar proceeding against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any of their properties and may take any action it deems appropriate at any time in any bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation or similar proceeding and any other Proceeding voluntarily commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or involuntarily commenced against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by anyone other than the Servicer or any Affiliate of the Servicer.

(vi) the Servicer irrevocably submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or federal court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Notes, the Preference Shares or this Indenture, and the Servicer irrevocably agrees that all claims in respect of the action or proceeding may be heard and determined in the New York State or federal court. The Servicer irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent it may legally do so, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of the action or proceeding. The Servicer irrevocably consents to the service of all process in any action or proceeding by the mailing or delivery of copies of the process to it the address provided for in Section 14.3. The Servicer agrees that a final and non-appealable judgment by a court of competent jurisdiction in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

(g) Following the resignation or removal of the Servicer, the Issuer shall use its best efforts to appoint a successor Servicer, and the Issuer, the Trustee, and the resigning or removed

Servicer shall take any action consistent with the Servicing Agreement and this Indenture applicable to the Servicer, necessary to effectuate any such succession.

(h) (i) The Issuer may, at the request of the Servicer, enter into an amendment or modification of the Servicing Agreement from time to time, without the consent of the Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not the interests of the Holders of the Securities are adversely affected thereby; provided that, with respect to any such amendment or modification, (a) a Rating Condition is satisfied and (b) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares have not objected in writing to such amendment or modification prior to the relevant Objection Cut-Off Date (as defined below).

(ii) If at any time the Servicer desires to amend or modify the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer shall notify the Issuer and the Trustee, providing details of such proposed amendment or modification. Not later than five Business Days after receipt of such notice, the Trustee shall mail such notice to (a) each Noteholder at such Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as applicable, (b) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), (c) to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and (d) to each Rating Agency. If any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes or any Holder of the Preference Shares notifies, by delivering a written notice to the Trustee within 35 days after the Trustee has mailed such notice, that it objects to such proposed amendment or modification, the Trustee shall, within two Business Days after receiving such notice of objection, mail a notice of the receipt of such objection to the Issuer, the Servicer and other Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and other Holders of the Preference Shares. Each Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes and each Holder of the Preference Shares that also wishes to object to such amendment or modification must, by delivering a written notice, so notify the Trustee within seven Business Days after the Trustee has mailed such notice of the receipt of such objection (the last day of such seven Business Day period, the "**Objection Cut-Off Date**"). If a Majority of either the Controlling Class of Notes or the Preference Shares notifies the Trustee in writing on or before the Objection Cut-Off Date that they object to the proposed amendment or modification to the Servicing Agreement, such amendment or modification shall not be made.

## Section 15.2. *Hedge Agreements.*

(a) At any time and from time to time on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer and with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, shall enter into the Hedge Agreements and shall assign its rights (but none of its obligations) under the Hedge Agreements to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture. The Trustee shall, on behalf of the Issuer and in accordance with the Valuation Report, pay amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements on any Payment Date in accordance with Section 11.1.

(b) The Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless at the time of entering the Hedge Agreement the Hedge Counterparty has:

(i) a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "A1" or higher if the Hedge Counterparty has only a long-term rating; or a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "A2" or higher and a debt rating by Moody's for short-term debt of "P-1" if the Hedge Counterparty has both long-term and short-term ratings; and

(ii) a short-term debt rating by S&P of not less than "A-1" or, if the Hedge Counterparty does not have a short-term debt rating by S&P, a long-term debt rating of not less than "A+" (the "**Required Rating**").

(c) If at any time a Hedge Counterparty does not have the Required Rating, then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within the applicable period specified in the related Hedge Agreement, either:

(i) post collateral with the Trustee to secure the Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement, in an amount and of the type specified under the relevant Hedge Agreement; provided that the Hedge Counterparty shall, at the time such collateral is first posted, deliver to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Rating Agencies an Opinion of Counsel of nationally recognized standing in the jurisdiction in which the Hedge Counterparty is incorporated confirming that such collateral will be available in a timely manner upon a bankruptcy of the Hedge Counterparty;

(ii) obtain a guarantor that has a short-term debt rating by S&P of not less than "A-1" and otherwise has the Required Rating, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition; or

(iii) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has the Required Rating, subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition.

provided that failure to take any such steps set forth under paragraphs (i) through (iii) above shall be treated as an "Additional Termination Event" under such Hedge Agreement.

(d) If at any time the Hedge Counterparty has (x) no short-term Moody's rating and a long-term Moody's that is below "A3" or (y) both a short-term and long-term Moody's rating and either the long-term Moody's rating that is below "A3" or the short-term Moody's rating that is below "P-2", then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within the applicable period specified in the related Hedge Agreement, either:

(i) obtain a guarantor that has the Required Rating, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition; or

(ii) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has the Required Rating, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition;

provided that failure to take any such steps set forth under paragraphs (i) and (ii) above shall be treated as an "Additional Termination Event" under such Hedge Agreement.

(e) If at any time the Hedge Counterparty has a long-term unsecured debt rating by S&P below "BBB-," then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, within the applicable period specified in the related Hedge Agreement, to replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has the Required Rating, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition; provided that failure to do so shall be treated as an "Additional Termination Event" under such Hedge Agreement.

(f) Whenever the Issuer enters into a Hedge Agreement, the Hedge Counterparty thereto shall comply with the then currently applicable rating criteria of each Rating Agency from time to time.

(g) If the Issuer has the right under a Hedge Agreement at any time to demand that the related Hedge Counterparty deliver Eligible Collateral in accordance with an Approved Credit Support Document, the Issuer shall make the demand.

(h) Any payments required to be made under the Hedge Agreements shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Subordinated Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments shall be subordinate to interest and principal payments on the Notes and any other payments required to be made by the Issuer under the Hedge Agreements, but senior to distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares.

(i) Except as provided in paragraph (i) of this Section 15.2, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall, promptly following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) (but no later than 60 days after the early termination), and to the extent possible through application of Hedge Termination Receipts, enter into a Replacement Hedge, unless, in the exercise of the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment, to do so would not be in the best interest of the Issuer and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the non-entry into the a Replacement Hedge. In addition, a Replacement Hedge may not be entered into unless the Issuer provides the Rating Agencies with at least seven Business Days' prior written notice of its intention to enter into the agreement, together with its form and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the Replacement Hedge. The Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than a termination resulting from the bankruptcy, insolvency, or similar event with respect to the Hedge Counterparty) to become effective simultaneously with its entering into a Replacement Hedge. To the extent that (i) the Servicer determines not to replace the Hedge Agreement and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the determination or (ii) termination is occurring on a Redemption Date, the Hedge Termination Receipts shall become part of Principal Proceeds and be distributed in accordance with Section 11.1 on the next following Payment Date (or on the Redemption Date, if the Notes are redeemed on the Redemption Date).

(j) Notwithstanding Section 15.2(h), the applicable requirements of Section 15.2(h) shall not have to be met if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is otherwise satisfied with respect thereto.

(k) The notional amounts of the Hedge Agreements outstanding at any time may be reduced or increased from time to time, by the Issuer, and the Hedge Agreements may be amended, modified or terminated in accordance with the Hedge Agreements if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the reduction, increase, amendment, modification or termination, as the case may be.

(l) Each Hedge Agreement may be terminated pursuant to its terms by the Hedge Counterparty upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes, an acceleration of maturity of the Notes followed by the liquidation of any or all of the Collateral after an Event of Default or the entry into certain amendments to the Indenture without the consent of the Hedge Counterparty. The Hedge Agreement will not be permitted to be terminated by the Issuer as the result of a Default or Event of Default unless any acceleration of maturity of the Notes resulting from the Event of Default is no longer permitted to be rescinded pursuant to this Indenture.

(m) Except for Hedge Agreements entered into on or before the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have set our hands as of the day and year first written above.

EXECUTED AS A DEED BY

**GRAYSON CLO, LTD.,**  
AS ISSUER

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

Name: **SCOTT DAKERS**  
Title: *Director*

**GRAYSON CLO CORP.,**  
AS CO-ISSUER

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

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

**INVESTORS BANK & TRUST COMPANY, AS**  
TRUSTEE AND AS CUSTODIAN

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

Name: *Brian Peterson*  
Title: *Director*

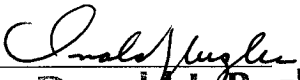
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AS ISSUER

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Name:  
Title:

**GRAYSON CLO CORP.,**  
AS CO-ISSUER

By:   
Name: **Donald J. Puglisi**  
Title: **President**

**INVESTORS BANK & TRUST COMPANY, AS**  
TRUSTEE AND AS CUSTODIAN

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

Schedule 1

**List of Collateral Obligations**

Schedule 2

**Moody's Industry Classification Group List**

**Aerospace and Defense:** Major Contractor, Subsystems, Research, Aircraft Manufacturing, Arms, Ammunition

**Automobile:** Automotive Equipment, Auto-Manufacturing, Auto Parts Manufacturing, Personal Use Trailers, Motor Homes, Dealers

**Banking:** Bank Holding, Savings and Loans, Consumer Credit, Small Loan, Agency, Factoring, Receivables

**Beverage, Food and Tobacco:** Beer and Ale, Distillers, Wines and Liquors, Distributors, Soft Drink Syrup, Bottling, Bakery, Mill Sugar, Canned Foods, Corn Refiners, Dairy Products, Meat Products, Poultry Products, Snacks, Packaged Foods, Distributors, Candy, Gum, Seafood, Frozen Food, Cigarettes, Cigars, Leaf/Snuff, Vegetable Oil

**Buildings and Real Estate:** Brick, Cement, Climate Controls, Contracting, Engineering, Construction, Hardware, Forest Products (building-related only), Plumbing, Roofing, Wallboard, Real Estate, Real Estate Development, REITs, Land Development

**Chemicals, Plastics and Rubber:** Chemicals (non-agriculture), Industrial Gases, Sulfur, Plastics, Plastic Products, Abrasives, Coatings, Paints, Varnish, Fabricating

**Containers, Packaging and Glass:** Glass, Fiberglass, Containers made of: Glass, Metal, Paper, Plastic, Wood or Fiberglass

**Personal and Non Durable Consumer Products (Manufacturing Only):** Soaps, Perfumes, Cosmetics, Toiletries, Cleaning Supplies, School Supplies

**Diversified/Conglomerate Manufacturing**

**Diversified/Conglomerate Service**

**Diversified Natural Resources, Precious Metals and Minerals:** Fabricating, Distribution, Mining and Sales

**Ecological:** Pollution Control, Waste Removal, Waste Treatment, Waste Disposal

**Electronics:** Computer Hardware, Electric Equipment, Components, Controllers, Motors, Household Appliances, Information Service, Communication Systems, Radios, TVs, Tape Machines, Speakers, Printers, Drivers, Technology

**Finance:** Investment Brokerage, Leasing, Syndication, Securities

**Farming and Agriculture:** Livestock, Grains, Produce, Agricultural Chemicals, Agricultural Equipment, Fertilizers

**Grocery:** Grocery Stores, Convenience Food Stores

**Healthcare, Education and Childcare:** Ethical Drugs, Proprietary Drugs, Research, Health Care Centers, Nursing Homes, HMOs, Hospitals, Hospital Supplies, Medical Equipment

**Home and Office Furnishings, Housedress, and Durable Consumer Products:** Carpets, Floor Coverings, Furniture, Cooking, Ranges

**Hotels, Motels, Inns and Gaming**

**Insurance:** Life, Property and Casualty, Broker, Agent, Surety

**Leisure, Amusement, Entertainment:** Boating, Bowling, Billiards, Musical Instruments, Fishing, Photo Equipment, Records, Tapes, Sports, Outdoor Equipment (camping), Tourism, Resorts, Games, Toy Manufacturing, Motion Picture Production, Theatres, Motion Picture Distribution

**Machinery (Non-Agriculture, Non-Construction, Non-Electronic):** Industrial, Machine Tools, Steam Generators

**Mining, Steel, Iron and Non-Precious Metals:** Coal, Copper, Lead, Uranium, Zinc, Aluminum, Stainless Steel, Integrated Steel, Ore Production, Refractories, Steel Mill Machinery, Mini-Mills, Fabricating, Distribution and Sales

**Oil and Gas:** Crude Producer, Retailer, Well Supply, Service and Drilling

**Personal, Food and Miscellaneous**

**Printing and Publishing:** Graphic Arts, Paper, Paper Products, Business Forms, Magazines, Books, Periodicals, Newspapers, Textbooks

**Cargo Transport:** Rail, Shipping, Railroads, Rail-car Builders, Ship Builders, Containers, Container Builders, Parts, Overnight Mail, Trucking, Truck Manufacturing, Trailer Manufacturing, Air Cargo, Transport

**Retail Stores:** Apparel, Toy, Variety, Drugs, Department, Mail Order Catalogue, Showroom

**Structured Finance**

**Telecommunications:** Local, Long Distance, Independent, Telephone, Telegraph, Satellite, Equipment, Research, Cellular

**Textiles and Leather:** Producer, Synthetic Fiber, Apparel Manufacturer, Leather Shoes **Personal**

**Transportation:** Air, Bus, Rail, Car, Rental

**Utilities:** Electric, Water, Hydro Power, Gas, Diversified

**Broadcasting and Entertainment:** Recording Industry, Motion Exhibition Theatres, Motion Picture Production and Distribution, Radio, TV, Cable Broadcasting, Broadcasting Equipment

Schedule 3

**S&P Industry Classifications**

Corporate Obligations

0. Zero Default Risk
1. Aerospace & Defense
2. Air transport
3. Automotive
4. Beverage & Tobacco
5. Radio & Television
6. Brokerages, Dealers & Investment houses
7. Building & Development
8. Business equipment & services
9. Cable & satellite television
10. Chemical & plastics
11. Clothing/textiles
12. Conglomerates
13. Containers & glass products
14. Cosmetics/toiletries
15. Drugs
16. Ecological services & equipment
17. Electronics/electrical
18. Equipment leasing
19. Farming/agriculture
20. Financial Intermediaries
21. Food/drug retailers
22. Food products
23. Food service
24. Forest products
25. Health care
26. Home furnishings
27. Lodging & casinos
28. Industrial equipment
29. Insurance
30. Leisure goods/activities/movies
31. Nonferrous metals/minerals
32. Oil & gas
33. Publishing
34. Rail Industries
35. Retailers (except food & drug)
36. Steel
37. Surface transport
38. Telecommunications
39. Utilities

Corporate Structured Obligations

50. CDOs

Structured Obligations

- 51. ABS Consumer
- 52. ABS Commercial
- 53. CMBS Diversified (Conduit and CTL)
- 54. CMBS (Large Loan, Single Borrower, and Single Property)
- 55. REITs and REOCs
- 56. RMBS A
- 57. RMBS B&C, HELs, HELOCs, and Tax Lien
- 58. Manufactured Housing
- 59. U.S. Agency (Explicitly Guaranteed)
- 60. Monoline/FER Guaranteed
- 61. Non-FER Company Guaranteed
- 62. FFELP Student Loans (Over 70% FFELP)
- 63. CLO of SME's

Schedule 4**Diversity Score Calculation**

The Diversity Score for the Collateral Obligations is calculated by summing each of the Industry Diversity Scores, which are calculated as follows:

(i) An "**Obligor Par Amount**" is calculated for each obligor represented in the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) by summing the par amounts of all Collateral Obligations in the Collateral (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) issued by that obligor or any Affiliate of that obligor (other than obligors that the Servicer reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(ii) An "**Average Par Amount**" is calculated by summing the Obligor Par Amounts and dividing by the number of obligors represented. For purposes of calculating the number of issuers of the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations), any issuers Affiliated with one another shall be considered one issuer (other than obligors that the Servicer reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(iii) An "**Equivalent Unit Score**" is calculated for each obligor represented in the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) by taking the lesser of (A) one and (B) the Obligor Par Amount for the obligor *divided* by the Average Par Amount. For purposes of calculating the Equivalent Unit Score, any issuers Affiliated with one another shall be considered one issuer (other than obligors that the Servicer reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(iv) An "**Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score**" is then calculated for each of the Moody's industrial classification groups by summing the Equivalent Unit Scores for each obligor in the industry.

(v) An "**Industry Diversity Score**" is then established by reference to the Diversity Score Table shown below for the related Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score. If any Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score falls between any two the scores then the applicable Industry Diversity Score shall be the lower of the two Industry Diversity Scores in the Diversity Score Table.

The Diversity Score for any Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation is equal to zero.



**DIVERSITY SCORE TABLE**

<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>
0.0000	0.0000	5.0500	2.7000	10.1500	4.0200	15.2500	4.5300
0.0500	0.1000	5.1500	2.7333	10.2500	4.0300	15.3500	4.5400
0.1500	0.2000	5.2500	2.7667	10.3500	4.0400	15.4500	4.5500
0.2500	0.3000	5.3500	2.8000	10.4500	4.0500	15.5500	4.5600
0.3500	0.4000	5.4500	2.8333	10.5500	4.0600	15.6500	4.5700
0.4500	0.5000	5.5500	2.8667	10.6500	4.0700	15.7500	4.5800
0.5500	0.6000	5.6500	2.9000	10.7500	4.0800	15.8500	4.5900
0.6500	0.7000	5.7500	2.9333	10.8500	4.0900	15.9500	4.6000
0.7500	0.8000	5.8500	2.9667	10.9500	4.1000	16.0500	4.6100
0.8500	0.9000	5.9500	3.0000	11.0500	4.1100	16.1500	4.6200
0.9500	1.0000	6.0500	3.0250	11.1500	4.1200	16.2500	4.6300
1.0500	1.0500	6.1500	3.0500	11.2500	4.1300	16.3500	4.6400
1.1500	1.1000	6.2500	3.0750	11.3500	4.1400	16.4500	4.6500
1.2500	1.1500	6.3500	3.1000	11.4500	4.1500	16.5500	4.6600
1.3500	1.2000	6.4500	3.1250	11.5500	4.1600	16.6500	4.6700
1.4500	1.2500	6.5500	3.1500	11.6500	4.1700	16.7500	4.6800
1.5500	1.3000	6.6500	3.1750	11.7500	4.1800	16.8500	4.6900
1.6500	1.3500	6.7500	3.2000	11.8500	4.1900	16.9500	4.7000
1.7500	1.4000	6.8500	3.2250	11.9500	4.2000	17.0500	4.7100
1.8500	1.4500	6.9500	3.2500	12.0500	4.2100	17.1500	4.7200
1.9500	1.5000	7.0500	3.2750	12.1500	4.2200	17.2500	4.7300
2.0500	1.5500	7.1500	3.3000	12.2500	4.2300	17.3500	4.7400
2.1500	1.6000	7.2500	3.3250	12.3500	4.2400	17.4500	4.7500
2.2500	1.6500	7.3500	3.3500	12.4500	4.2500	17.5500	4.7600
2.3500	1.7000	7.4500	3.3750	12.5500	4.2600	17.6500	4.7700
2.4500	1.7500	7.5500	3.4000	12.6500	4.2700	17.7500	4.7800
2.5500	1.8000	7.6500	3.4250	12.7500	4.2800	17.8500	4.7900
2.6500	1.8500	7.7500	3.4500	12.8500	4.2900	17.9500	4.8000
2.7500	1.9000	7.8500	3.4750	12.9500	4.3000	18.0500	4.8100
2.8500	1.9500	7.9500	3.5000	13.0500	4.3100	18.1500	4.8200
2.9500	2.0000	8.0500	3.5250	13.1500	4.3200	18.2500	4.8300
3.0500	2.0333	8.1500	3.5500	13.2500	4.3300	18.3500	4.8400
3.1500	2.0667	8.2500	3.5750	13.3500	4.3400	18.4500	4.8500
3.2500	2.1000	8.3500	3.6000	13.4500	4.3500	18.5500	4.8600
3.3500	2.1333	8.4500	3.6250	13.5500	4.3600	18.6500	4.8700
3.4500	2.1667	8.5500	3.6500	13.6500	4.3700	18.7500	4.8800

<u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u>	<u>Diversity Score</u>	<u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u>	<u>Diversity Score</u>	<u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u>	<u>Diversity Score</u>	<u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u>	<u>Diversity Score</u>
3.5500	2.2000	8.6500	3.6750	13.7500	4.3800	18.8500	4.8900
3.6500	2.2333	8.7500	3.7000	13.8500	4.3900	18.9500	4.9000
3.7500	2.2667	8.8500	3.7250	13.9500	4.4000	19.0500	4.9100
3.8500	2.3000	8.9500	3.7500	14.0500	4.4100	19.1500	4.9200
3.9500	2.3333	9.0500	3.7750	14.1500	4.4200	19.2500	4.9300
4.0500	2.3667	9.1500	3.8000	14.2500	4.4300	19.3500	4.9400
4.1500	2.4000	9.2500	3.8250	14.3500	4.4400	19.4500	4.9500
4.2500	2.4333	9.3500	3.8500	14.4500	4.4500	19.5500	4.9600
4.3500	2.4667	9.4500	3.8750	14.5500	4.4600	19.6500	4.9700
4.4500	2.5000	9.5500	3.9000	14.6500	4.4700	19.7500	4.9800
4.5500	2.5333	9.6500	3.9250	14.7500	4.4800	19.8500	4.9900
4.6500	2.5667	9.7500	3.9500	14.8500	4.4900	19.9500	5.0000
4.7500	2.6000	9.8500	3.9750	14.9500	4.5000		
4.8500	2.6333	9.9500	4.0000	15.0500	4.5100		
4.9500	2.6667	10.0500	4.0100	15.1500	4.5200		

Schedule 5**Moody's Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates**

The Moody's Recovery Rate for a Structured Finance Obligation will be the applicable rate set forth below based on the appropriate sector as categorized by Moody's:

**Diversified Securities** primarily include (1) Automobile Securities; (2) Car Rental Receivable Securities; (3) Credit Card Securities; (4) Student Loan Securities

**Residential Securities** primarily include (1) Home Equity Loan Securities; (2) Manufactured Housing Securities; (3) Residential A Mortgage Securities; (4) Residential B/C Mortgage Securities

**Undiversified Securities** primarily include (1) CMBS Conduit; (2) CMBS Credit Tenant Lease; (3) CMBS Large Loan; (4) those ABS Sectors not included in Diversified Securities

**Collateralized Debt Obligations** include (1) High-diversity CDOs (Diversity Score in excess of 20); (2) Low-Diversity CDOs (Diversity Score of 20 or less)

**Diversified Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	Ba	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	70%	60%	50%	40%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	60%	50%	40%	30%
<=10%	70%	65%	55%	45%	35%	25%

**Residential Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	Ba	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10% >5%	65%	55%	45%	40%	30%	20%
<=5%	55%	45%	40%	35%	25%	15%

>2%						
<=2%	45%	35%	30%	25%	15%	10%

### **Undiversified Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10% >5%	65%	55%	45%	35%	25%	15%
<=5% >2%	55%	45%	35%	30%	20%	10%
<=2%	45%	35%	25%	20%	10%	5%

### **High Diversity Collateralized Debt Obligations**

	<u>Initial Rating of Underlying Asset</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	60%	50%	40%	25%
<=10% >5%	65%	55%	50%	40%	30%	20%
<=5% >2%	55%	45%	40%	35%	25%	10%
<=2%	45%	35%	30%	25%	10%	5%

**Low Diversity Collateralized Debt Obligations**

	<u>Initial Rating of Underlying Asset</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	Ba	<u>B</u>
>70%	80%	75%	60%	50%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	70%	60%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10% >5%	60%	50%	45%	35%	25%	15%
<=5% >2%	50%	40%	35%	30%	20%	10%
<=2%	30%	25%	20%	15%	7%	4%

(1) Initial par amount of tranche to which Structured Finance Obligation relates **divided by** initial par amount of total securities issued by Structured Finance Obligation issuer.

Schedule 6**S&P Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates\***RATING OF MOST SENIOR CLASS OF RATED NOTES AT THE TIME OF  
COMMITMENT TO PURCHASE**Structured Finance  
Obligation Rating\***

Senior Asset Class	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC
AAA	80.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
AA	70.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
A	60.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
BBB	50.0%	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%
Junior Asset Class	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC
AAA	65.0%	70.0%	80.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%
AA	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
A	40.0%	45.0%	55.0%	65.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
BBB	30.0%	35.0%	40.0%	45.0%	50.0%	60.0%	70.0%
BB	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	25.0%	35.0%	40.0%	50.0%
B	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%	10.0%	10.0%	20.0%	25.0%
CCC	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%

\* If the Structured Finance Obligation is (x) a collateralized debt obligation backed by project finance securities, asset-backed securities, structured finance or real estate securities, distressed debt or other collateralized debt obligations; (y) a market value collateralized debt obligation; or (z) a synthetic collateralized debt obligation, the recovery rate will be assigned by S&P at the time of acquisition.

Schedule 7**Certain Defined Terms Relating to S&P Rating and Moody's Rating**

**"Assigned Moody's Rating"**: The monitored publicly available rating or the monitored estimated rating expressly assigned to a debt obligation (or facility) by Moody's that addresses the full amount of the principal and interest promised.

**"Moody's Default Probability Rating"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (a) with respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:
  - (i) if the Loan's obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, such corporate family rating; and
  - (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Obligation Rating of such Loan;
  - (iii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, the rating that is one subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating;
- (b) with respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating of such Collateral Obligation;
- (c) with respect to a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the rating that is one rating subcategory below the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof;
- (d) with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof or, if the obligation does not have an Assigned Moody's Rating but has a rating by S&P, then the Moody's Default Probability Rating shall be:
  - (i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher, or
  - (ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; and
- (e) with respect to a Synthetic Security, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down (if on watch for downgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories or adjusted up (if on watch for upgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories. For purposes of any calculation under this Indenture, if a Moody's Default Probability Rating is withdrawn by Moody's with respect to a Collateral Obligation, the Issuer will continue using the latest Moody's Default Probability Rating available immediately prior to such withdrawal until a bankruptcy event occurs with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating":** With respect to any Collateral Obligation that is a Loan or bond and the obligor thereof, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

(a) if the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating;

(b) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's "Issuer Rating" for the obligor;

(c) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, then

(i) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "B3" (and, if rated "B3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one rating subcategory higher than such Assigned Moody's Rating, or

(ii) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "B3" (or rated "B3" and on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be such Assigned Moody's Rating;

(d) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, then:

(i) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "Caa3" (and, if rated "Caa3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one subcategory below such Assigned Moody's Rating, or

(ii) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "Caa3" (or rated "Caa3" and on watch for downgrade), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be "C";

(e) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but such obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be one rating subcategory below such corporate family rating;

(f) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be:

(i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher,

(ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; or

(iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating no lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (f)(iii), or clause (g)(iii) or (h)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;



(g) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (c) above; or

(iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (g)(iii), or clauses (f)(iii) or (h)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(h) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (d) above; or

(iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (h)(iii), or clauses (f)(iii) or (g)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(i) if the preceding clauses do not apply and each of the following clauses (i) through (viii) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa1":

(i) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings,

(ii) no debt securities or obligations of the obligor are in default,

(iii) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates has defaulted on any debt during the preceding two years,

- (iv) the obligor has been in existence for the preceding five years,
- (v) the obligor is current on any cumulative dividends,
- (vi) the fixed-charge ratio for the obligor exceeds 125% for each of the preceding two fiscal years and for the most recent quarter,
- (vii) the obligor had a net profit before tax in the past fiscal year and the most recent quarter, and
- (viii) the annual financial statements of such obligor are unqualified and certified by a firm of Independent accountants of international reputation, and quarterly statements are unaudited but signed by a corporate officer;
- (j) if the preceding clauses do not apply but each of the following clauses (i) and (ii) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa3":
  - (i) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings; and
  - (ii) no debt security or obligation of such obligor has been in default during the past two years; and
- (k) if the preceding clauses do not apply and a debt security or obligation of the obligor has been in default during the past two years, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Ca."

Notwithstanding the foregoing, not more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may consist of Relevant Obligations given a Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating based on a rating given by S&P as provided in clauses (f), (g) and (h) above.

**"Moody's Obligation Rating"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (a) With respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:
  - (i) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or
  - (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the rating that is one rating subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and
- (b) With respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond:
  - (i) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or
  - (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and
- (c) With respect to a Synthetic Security or a DIP Loan, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Obligation Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be

adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

**"Moody's Rating"**: The Moody's Default Probability Rating; provided that, with respect to the Collateral Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or any successor to it ceases to provide rating services, references to rating categories of Moody's in this Indenture shall be deemed instead to be references to the equivalent categories of any other nationally recognized investment rating agency selected by the Servicer, as of the most recent date on which such other rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which such alternative rating agency is used.

**"S&P Rating"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following methodology:

- (i) If there is an issuer credit rating of the borrower of the Collateral Obligation (the "**Borrower**"), or the guarantor who unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the Collateral Obligation (the "**Guarantor**") by S&P, the most current issuer credit rating for such Borrower or Guarantor (provided that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating);
- (ii) (a) if there is not an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation will be one subcategory below such rating; (b) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior unsecured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be such rating; and (c) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a subordinated obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be two subcategories above such rating if such rating is "BBB-" or higher and will be one subcategory above such rating if such rating is "BB+" or lower (provided that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating); or
- (iii) if there is neither an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P nor a rating by S&P on an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating may be determined using any one of the methods below:
  - (A) if an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is publicly rated by Moody's, then the S&P Rating will be determined in accordance with the methodologies for establishing the Moody's Default Probability Rating, except that the S&P Rating of such obligation will be (1) one subcategory below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Baa3" or higher by Moody's and (2) two subcategories below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Ba1" or lower by Moody's; provided that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may be given a S&P Rating based on a rating given by Moody's as provided in this subclause (a) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

(B) if no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's, then the Servicer may apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating estimate, which will be its S&P Rating; provided that, on or prior to each one-year anniversary of the acquisition of any such Collateral Obligation, the Issuer shall submit to S&P a request for a S&P credit rating estimate for such Collateral Obligation, which shall be its S&P Rating, together with all information reasonably required by S&P to perform such estimate; or

(C) if such Collateral Obligation is not rated by Moody's or S&P, no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's and if the Servicer determines in its sole discretion based on information available to it after reasonable inquiry that such Borrower (x) is not subject to any bankruptcy or reorganization proceedings nor in default on any of its obligations (unless the subject of a good faith business dispute), (y) is a legally constituted corporate entity having the minimum legal, financial and operational infrastructure to carry on a definable business, deliver and sell a product or service and report its results in generally accepted accounting terms as verified by a reputable audit firm and (z) is not so vulnerable to adverse business, financial and economic conditions that default in its financial or other obligations is foreseeable in the near term if current operating trends continue, then the S&P Rating will be "B-"; provided that the Servicer must apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating on such Borrower within 30 days after the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation; provided, further, that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 5% of the Maximum Amount may be given an S&P Rating based on this subclause (c) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

provided that if (i) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any positive "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be increased by one rating subcategory or (ii) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any negative "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be decreased by one rating subcategory.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the S&P Rating shall be (A) the rating assigned thereto by S&P if the rating is public, (B) the rating assigned by S&P if the rating is confidential, but only if all appropriate parties have provided written consent to its disclosure and use, (C) the rating assigned by S&P thereto through an estimated rating or (D) the rating assigned thereto by S&P in connection with the acquisition thereof upon the request of the Servicer. In the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a PIK Security, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Securities, the S&P Rating may not be determined pursuant to clause (iii)(A) above. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture, if a S&P Rating is withdrawn by S&P with respect to a Collateral Obligation, the Issuer will continue using the latest S&P Rating available immediately prior to such withdrawal until a bankruptcy event occurs with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

S&P Ratings for entities or obligations relevant hereunder other than Borrowers and Collateral Obligations shall be determined in a corresponding manner.

Exhibit A-1

**Form of Senior Note**

Exhibit A-3

**Form of Class D Note**

Exhibit B-1

**Form of Senior Note Transferee Certificate**

Exhibit B-2

**Form of Senior Note Transferor Certificate for Regulation S to Rule 144A Transfer**



Exhibit B-3

**Form of Senior Note Transferor Certificate for Rule 144A to Regulation S Transfer**

Exhibit B-4

**Form of Class D Note Transferee Certificate**

Exhibit C

**Form of Latham & Watkins LLP Opinion**

Exhibit D

**Form of Ogier Opinion**

Exhibit E

**Form of Nixon Peabody LLP Opinion**

Exhibit F

**Form of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP Opinion**

Exhibit G

**Form of Securities Account Control Agreement**

Exhibit H

**Forms of Section 3(c)(7) Notices**



Exhibit H-1

**Form of Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice**

Exhibit H-2

**Form of Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice**

Exhibit I

**Form of Beneficial Owner Certificate**

Exhibit J

**Form of Extension Notice**

Exhibit K

**Form of Class A-1 Note Notice**

## **EXHIBIT Y**

## PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENCY AGREEMENT

As of November 30, 2006

Investors Bank & Trust Company,  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent  
Corporate Trust Office  
Grayson CLO, Ltd.  
200 Clarendon Street  
Mailcode: EUC 108  
Boston, MA 02116

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Grayson CLO, Ltd., a company existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the “**Issuer**”) and Grayson CLO Corp, a Delaware corporation (the “**Co-Issuer**” and, together with the Issuer, the “**Co-Issuers**”), has resolved to appoint Investors Bank & Trust Company (“**Investors Bank**”), as preference shares paying agent (the “**Preference Shares Paying Agent**”) for the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares issued by the Issuer (collectively, the “**Preference Shares**”). The Issuer hereby appoints Investors Bank as such under the terms set forth below and confirms Investor Bank’s agreement to distribute any funds to be paid to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Priority of Payments set forth in the Indenture (as defined herein). Reference is also made to the indenture, dated as of November 30, 2006, among the Issuer, Grayson CLO Corp., as co-issuer (the “**Co-Issuer**”), and Investors Bank, as trustee (the “**Indenture**”). Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings assigned thereto in the Indenture or, if not defined therein, certain resolutions passed at a meeting of the Issuer’s Board of Directors that was held on November 30, 2006, as reflected in the minutes thereof, including Annex A (“**Annex A**”) therein (the “**Resolutions**” and, together with this Agreement and the Issuer’s Memorandum and Articles of Association, the “**Preference Share Documents**”). The Preference Shares will be issued, and may be transferred, subject to the procedures set forth in Annex A to the Resolutions.

On the Closing Date, (i) all of the Class I Preference Shares will be offered and sold directly by the Issuer to Grayson Investors Corp., an exempted limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands (“**Investors Corp.**”) and (ii) all of the Class II Preference Shares will be offered and sold by the Issuer directly to Highland Financial Partners, L.P. (“**HFP**”) (an Affiliate of the Servicer) and/or one or more of its subsidiaries. Investors Corp. will finance its purchase of the Class I Preference Shares by issuing preference shares (the “**Holding Preference Shares**”) in a number equal to the aggregate number of, at a price equal to the price of, such Class I Preference Shares purchased by it.

Section 1. Notice of Distribution to Directors. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, promptly after receipt of the Valuation Report, shall forward or make available to the directors of the Issuer (as identified to it by the Issuer) the Valuation Report which identifies the Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds, payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares on the applicable Payment Date.

Section 2. Payments of Dividends and Other Distributions, Amounts Not Distributable. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, subject to paragraphs (b), (c), (d) and (e) below, pay or cause to be paid, on behalf of the Issuer on each applicable Payment Date, the Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds received from the Trustee to the Holders of the Preference Shares as a distribution of dividend on such Payment Date. Such distributions of Interest Proceeds and Principal

Proceeds by way of dividend to the Holders of Preference Shares shall be paid *pro rata* in the proportion that the number of Preference Shares held by each such Holder bears to the total number of Preference Shares. The Issuer, or the Share Registrar on its behalf, shall provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with a copy of the Preference Share register on the Closing Date and thereafter, the Share Registrar will promptly notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent of any changes to the Preference Share register. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall notify the Issuer and the Share Registrar of any transfers of Preference Shares known to it.

(b) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, distributions of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds by way of dividend to the Holders of Preference Shares on any Payment Date shall (i) be subject to the Issuer being solvent under Cayman Islands law (defined as the Issuer being able to pay its debts as they become due in the ordinary course of business) immediately prior to, and after giving effect to, such payment as determined by the Issuer and (ii) be made only to the extent that the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium out of which to make such payment as determined by the Issuer. If the Issuer determines that the conditions set forth in either clause (i) or (ii) above are not satisfied with respect to any portion of Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds payable on such Payment Date, the Issuer shall instruct the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing not later than one Business Day prior to such Payment Date that such portion of Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds, as applicable, should not be paid, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not pay the same, to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the first succeeding Payment Date, or (in the case of any payments which would otherwise be payable on the Redemption Date or any Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) until the first succeeding Business Day, upon which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing that each such condition is satisfied, at which time the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall distribute such amounts. To the extent available, distributions shall be made first out of distributable profits for the current Due Period, then out of distributable profits in excess of dividends for prior Due Periods and then out of share premium.

(c) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, distributions of the Redemption Price by way of redemption of the Preference Shares shall be subject to the Issuer being solvent under Cayman Islands law (defined as the Issuer being able to pay its debts as they become due in the ordinary course of business) immediately prior to, and after giving effect to, such distribution as determined by the Issuer. For purposes of this subsection (c), a determination as to whether the Issuer is solvent on the Redemption Date shall be made by the Issuer (A) after giving effect to any payments to be made on such Redemption Date and (B) in light of the fact that the obligations of the Issuer to the Holders of the Notes, the other Secured Parties and the other Persons subject to the Priority of Payments are limited in recourse to the Collateral, and not to amounts (i) in the Preference Shares Distribution Account, (ii) any other amounts released from the Collateral in accordance with the Indenture and held by or on behalf of the Issuer for the benefit of the Holders of the Preference Shares or (iii) amounts on deposit in the Issuer's bank account in the Cayman Islands, and that after the assets in the Collateral are exhausted, such parties will have no further claim against the Issuer. If the Issuer determines that such condition is not satisfied on a Redemption Date with respect to any portion of the Redemption Price, the Issuer shall instruct the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing not later than one Business Day prior to such Redemption Date that such portion should not be distributed, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not distribute the same, to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the first succeeding Business Day upon which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing that such condition is satisfied, and the amounts so retained in the Preference Shares Distribution Account will be held therein until such amounts are paid.

(d) On each Payment Date during the first two years following the Closing Date, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall distribute, on behalf of the Issuer, amounts received by it from amounts on deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account pursuant to Section 10.3(j)



of the Indenture that are equal to the products of (a) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date and (b) the Servicing Fees then due and payable to the Servicer as described in Section 11.1(a)(i) of the Indenture, for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as the Class II Preference Share Special Payment. After the two-year anniversary of the Closing Date, the Preference Shares Payment Agent shall make distribution of such Class II Preference Share Special Payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares in an amount equal to any portion (between 0% and 100%) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable that the Servicer elects to waive at any time in its sole discretion.

(e) Dividends to the Holders of the Preference Shares (other than Class II Preference Share Special Payments) may be paid, in whole or in part on any Payment Date, with any Eligible Equity Securities held by, or on behalf of, the Issuer at such time in lieu of a distribution of Interest Proceeds. The Servicer, on behalf the Issuer, shall have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute any Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares (as identified to the Trustee by the Preference Shares Paying Agent) with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be due and payable on such Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to any such Payment Date shall be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be increased accordingly.

(f) Anything in this Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding, the Holders of the Preference Shares acknowledge and agree for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes that the rights of the Holders of the Preference Shares to distributions by the Issuer and in and to the assets of the Issuer in respect of such Preference Shares, shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes, to the extent and in the manner set forth in the Indenture including as set forth in Section 11.1 thereof and as required by law. If any Event of Default has occurred and has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs in accordance with Article V of the Indenture, the Notes shall be paid in full in Cash before any further payment or distribution is made on account of the Preference Shares. The Holders of the Preference Shares agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes, not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer for failure to pay to them amounts due under the Articles or hereunder in respect of the Preference Shares or payable under the Indenture prior to the date which is one year and one day (or, if longer, the applicable preference period) after the payment in full of principal of and interest on the Notes.

(g) In the event that notwithstanding the provisions of this Agreement or the Indenture, any Holder of any Preference Shares shall have received any payment or distribution in respect of such Preference Shares contrary to the provisions of this Agreement, the Articles or the Indenture, then, unless and until (v) the Class A-1a Notes, (w) the Class A-1a Notes, (x) the Class A-2 Notes, (y) the Class B Notes, (y) the Class C Notes and (z) the Class D Notes shall have been paid in full in Cash in accordance with the Indenture, such payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, for payment and delivery of the same to the Holders of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes, as the case may be, in accordance with the Indenture; provided, however, that if any such payment or distribution is made other than in Cash, it shall be paid

over and delivered to the Trustee such that it may be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral pursuant to, and subject in all respects to, the provisions of the Indenture, including Section 13.1 thereof.

Section 3. Payments and Redemption. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall make payments or distributions (other than distributions of Eligible Equity Securities) to each registered Holder on the relevant Record Date (as set out in Annex A to the Resolutions) by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a U.S. Dollar account maintained by such Holder as notified to the Preference Shares Paying Agent or, in the absence of such notification, by U.S. Dollar check mailed to such Holder at its address of record. The Issuer shall, or shall procure that the Share Registrar will, provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with all relevant information regarding the registered Holders of the Preference Shares as the Preference Shares Paying Agent may reasonably require to the extent such information is in possession or control of the Issuer or Share Registrar.

(b) If the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, desires to make distributions of Eligible Equity Securities on any Payment Date in lieu of Interest Proceeds that are otherwise available for distribution to the Holders of Preference Shares on such Payment Date pursuant to the Priority of Payments as described in Section 2(e) above, the Servicer will notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Servicing Agreement not later than 20 calendar days prior to such Payment Date and provide the Trustee, the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding on the Record Date or promptly thereafter, but in no event later than two Business Days after the Record Date, to each Holder of the Preference Shares registered as such on the Record Date for such Payment Date) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding on the Record Date or promptly thereafter, but in no event later than two Business Days after the Record Date, to each Holder of the Holding Preference Shares registered as such on the Record Date for such Payment Date) with (i) details of the Eligible Equity Securities to be distributed, (ii) the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities determined as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date, (iii) any other information considered necessary by the Servicer in connection with such proposed distribution and (iv) any information as otherwise required by the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and/or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such proposed distribution. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall then mail such materials, within two Business Days of its receipt thereof from the Servicer, to each registered Holder of Preference Shares on the Record Date for such Payment Date along with a form of notice and consent (in a form attached hereto in Schedule I) seeking the written consent of each such Holder of Preference Shares to distribute such Eligible Equity Securities to such Holder in lieu of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date. Each Holder of the Preference Shares wishing to receive such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of a distribution of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such applicable Payment Date (each such Holder with respect to such Payment Date, a “**Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares**”) is required to deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent a written consent (which consent will be irrevocable) no later than five Business Days prior to such Payment Date. If any Holder of Preference Shares does not timely deliver its written consent to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in the manner set forth in such notice indicating its consent to the receipt of such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of a distribution of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date, such Holder shall be deemed to have not given its consent and shall not be a Consenting Holder of Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. On each applicable Payment Date (or as soon thereafter as reasonably practicable), Eligible Equity Securities shall be distributed *pro rata* to each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. Each Holder of Preference Shares that is not a Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares (and, for the avoidance of doubt, each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares to the extent the Market Value as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date of the *pro rata* portion of Eligible Equity Securities distributed to it on such Payment Date is less than the *pro rata* portion of the Interest Proceeds that it would have received on such Payment Date had the Eligible Equity Securities not been

distributed on such Payment Date) on any applicable Payment Date shall receive a distribution of Interest Proceeds to the extent available in accordance with the Priority of Payments on such Payment Date in accordance with Section 2(e) herein and the Indenture.

(c) The Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be obligated to pay any additional amounts to Holders or beneficial owners of the Preference Shares as a result of any withholding or deduction for, or on account of, any present or future taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges. As a condition to payment of any amount, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, may require certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments or distributions in respect of Preference Shares under any present or future law or regulation of the United States or any present or future law or regulation of any political subdivision thereof or taxing authority therein or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under such law or regulation. Amounts properly withheld under the Code by any Person from a payment or distribution to a Holder of Preference Shares shall be considered as having been paid by the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent to such Holder for all purposes herein. The Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereby provide notice to each Holder or beneficial owner of the Preference Shares that the failure to provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with appropriate tax certifications will result in amounts being withheld from payments to such Holders or beneficial owners of the Preference Shares under this Agreement (provided that amounts withheld pursuant to applicable tax laws shall be considered as having been paid by the Issuer as provided herein).

(d) The Issuer, the Share Registrar and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem and treat the Holder of any Preference Shares as the absolute owner of such Preference Shares, notwithstanding any notation of ownership or other writing on any certificate representing such Preference Shares, for the purpose of paying dividends and other distributions thereon, and for all other purposes, and none of the Issuer, the Share Registrar or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be affected by any notice to the contrary. All such payments (including distributions of Eligible Equity Securities) so made to such Holder or upon such Holder's order shall be valid and, to the extent of the sum or sums so paid, effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability for the monies payable upon any such Preference Share.

(e) All payments by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder shall be made without charging any commission or fee to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

(f) On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Issuer shall redeem the Preference Shares for a redemption price equal to all amounts distributable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Priority of Payments set forth in the Indenture, unless the Preference Shares have been redeemed earlier through an optional redemption or otherwise. Upon final payment due on the Preference Shares (whether on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date or any earlier Redemption Date), the Holder thereof shall present and surrender the certificates, if any, representing the Preference Shares at the office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent on or prior to such final payment date. On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, all payments on redemption of Preference Shares to the Holders of the Preference Shares shall be made *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings.

Notice of final payment of the Preference Shares pursuant to an optional redemption in conjunction with an optional redemption of the Notes shall be given as set forth in Section 9.3 of the Indenture. Notice of any other final payment shall be given by the Preference Shares Paying Agent by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days nor earlier than 30 days before

the applicable Redemption Date to each Holder of Preference Shares at such Holder's address as set forth in the Preference Share register.

All notices of redemption shall state:

- (i) the Redemption Date on which the Preference Shares are to be redeemed;
- (ii) the applicable Redemption Price for the Preference Shares being redeemed;
- (iii) the place or places where such Preference Shares to be redeemed are to be surrendered for payment of the applicable Redemption Price, which shall be the office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent; and
- (iv) in the case of an optional redemption, the latest possible date upon which such notice of redemption may be withdrawn.

The Issuer shall have the option to withdraw any such notice of redemption up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Trustee, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares) in each case only if either (i) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) of the Indenture, the Servicer does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications required under the Indenture (as described in Section 9.3(c) and 12.1(f) of the Indenture), as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, (ii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i) of the Indenture, the Issuer receives the written direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption and (iii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii) of the Indenture, the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer thereby agrees for the benefit of the directing person to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (ii) or this clause (iii)). Notice of any such withdrawal shall be delivered pursuant to Section 9.3 of the Indenture.

Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Preference Shares.

(g) On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, so long as all administrative fees and expenses and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture and all amounts owing under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged:

- (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference

Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings; or

(ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, voting as a single Class or group, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such direction.

(h) If any Holder of Preference Shares desires to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Notes in accordance with Section 9.2(a) of the Indenture, such Holder shall notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Servicer not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made. If the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee and the Issuer receive notice from one or more Holders of Preference Shares holding less than a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, within five Business Days of receipt of such notice, notify the Holders of the Preference Shares and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares) (i) of the receipt of such notice and (ii) that any Holder of Preference Shares may join in directing an optional redemption by notifying the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing within five Business Days after such Holder's receipt of the Preference Shares Paying Agent's Notice. If the Holders of at least a Majority of the Preference Shares direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Notes, the Issuer shall effect an Optional Redemption of the Notes pursuant to the procedures described in the Indenture.

(i) If any Holder of Preference Shares desires to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares after the redemption or repayment of the Notes and in accordance with paragraphs (g)(i) and (ii) above, such Holder shall notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent not later than 30 Business Days (or with the Servicer's consent, not later than 20 Business Days) prior to the proposed Redemption Date (which must be a Payment Date). Upon receiving such notice, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall promptly (and in no event later than two Business Days thereafter) notify the Issuer and each Holder of the Preference Shares thereof. Each Holder of Preference Shares that also wishes to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares must so notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent (who shall promptly notify the Issuer and the Servicer of such direction) within 20 Business Days after receipt of such notice. If the aggregate number of Preference Shares that have directed the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares equals or exceeds the minimum threshold set forth in paragraphs (g)(i) and (ii) above, the Issuer shall effect an optional redemption of the Preference Shares pursuant to the procedures described in the Preference Share Documents. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Preference Shares must be redeemed on or prior to the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. The Preference Shares shall be redeemed from the proceeds of any Collateral remaining after giving effect to the redemption or repayment of the Notes and payment in full of all expenses of the Co-Issuers.

(j) If the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, proposes a Refinancing in accordance with Section 9.7(a) of the Indenture by notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall promptly upon receipt of such notice (and in no event later than two Business Days thereafter) notify each Holder of Preference Shares thereof. Each Holder of Preference Shares that wishes to consent to such Refinancing will deliver such consent to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing no later than 15 days prior to the Refinancing Date. Upon receipt of such consents, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall immediately notify the Servicer whether or not the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares have consented to such Refinancing.

Section 4. Preference Shares Distribution Account. (a) On or prior to the Closing Date, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the "Preference Shares Distribution Account" (the "**Preference Shares Distribution Account**") that shall be held in trust in the name of the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the benefit of the Issuer, over which the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall cause the Trustee to make any payment pursuant to the Priority of Payments by wire transfer (or by internal transfer if the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent are the same Person) to the Preference Shares Distribution Account in immediately available funds. All sums received by the Preference Shares Paying Agent from the Trustee or the Issuer for payment of dividends or other distributions (other than the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) or the Redemption Price in respect of the Preference Shares shall be deposited promptly in the Preference Shares Distribution Account until the first Payment Date or, in the case of the payment of the Redemption Price in respect of the Preference Shares, the first Business Day, on which, in either case, the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent that such distribution can be made to the Holders of the Preference Shares in accordance with Section 2. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall then apply such funds as provided for in Section 3. All sums payable by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder shall be paid out of the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

(b) Notwithstanding anything herein, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not incur any personal liability to pay amounts due to Holders of the Preference Shares and shall only be required to make payments or other distributions (including the Redemption Price thereof) if there are sufficient monies in the Preference Shares Distribution Account to make such payments or other distributions.

(c) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no right of set off with respect to amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

(d) Amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account that are not paid out may be deposited in an interest-bearing account as directed in writing by the Issuer.

Section 5. Unclaimed Payments. Except as otherwise required by applicable law, any money deposited with the Preference Shares Paying Agent and held in the Preference Shares Distribution Account or otherwise held for payment on any Preference Share and remaining unclaimed for two years after such payment has become due and payable shall be paid to the Issuer upon Issuer Request; and the Holder of such Preference Share shall thereafter look only to the Issuer for payment of such amounts and all liability of the Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such money (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Issuer) shall thereupon cease. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, before being required to make any such release of payment, may, but shall not be required to, adopt and employ, at the expense of the Issuer any reasonable means of notification of such release of payment, including, but not limited to, arranging with the Share Registrar for the Share Registrar to mail notice of such release to Holders of Preference Shares whose right to or interest in monies due and payable but not claimed is determinable from the records of the Issuer or Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, at the last address of record of each such Holder.

Section 6. Additional Issuance of Preference Shares. (a) At any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the proceeds from such issuance and sale to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or as otherwise permitted under the Preference Share Documents and the Indenture; provided that the following conditions are met: (i) the terms of the Preference Shares issued shall be identical to the terms of previously issued Preference Shares and (ii) the net proceeds of any additional Preference Shares shall be used to purchase additional

Collateral Obligations. Such additional Preference Shares may be offered and sold at prices that differ from the initial offering prices of the outstanding Preference Shares; provided that the initial offering prices of additional Preference Shares shall not be below 100% of the face amount thereof. The Issuer shall cause purchases of additional Preference Shares made pursuant to an additional issuance of Preference Shares to comply individually and in the aggregate with the applicable purchase and transfer restrictions for the Preference Shares set forth herein in Section 9 and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

(b) Any additional Preference Shares issued shall, to the extent reasonably practicable, be offered by the Issuer first to the existing Holders of the Preference Shares, in such amounts as are necessary to preserve their *pro rata* holdings of the Preference Shares.

Section 7. Purchase and Redesignation of Preference Shares. (a) Each Holder or beneficial owner of a Preference Share, by its ownership of such Preference Share, acknowledges and agrees that each Non-Consenting Holder of Preference Shares with respect to an amendment of the Indenture (which includes Holders that fail to respond to a consent solicitation within the applicable period) will be forced to sell its applicable Preference Shares pursuant to Section 9.6 of the Indenture, whereby the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser is permitted to purchase the Preference Shares held by any such Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; provided that if any Non-Consenting Holder holds Class II Preference Shares, (i) such Non-Consenting Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to Investors Corp. and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares, (ii) Investors Corp. will issue additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such redesignated Preference Shares purchased by it and (iii) the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser will purchase such additional Holding Preference Shares in lieu of such redesignated Preference Shares.

(b) Each Holder or beneficial owner of a Preference Share will have the right to sell such Preference Share to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser upon a Maturity Extension pursuant to Section 2.4 of the Indenture at the applicable Extension Purchase Price and absent such sale shall be subject to an extension of the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date as set forth in the Indenture and the other aspects of a Maturity Extension under the Indenture; provided that if any Holder of Class II Preference Shares delivers an Extension Sale Notice notifying the Issuer and the Trustee of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Class II Preference Shares, (i) such Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to Investors Corp. and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares, (ii) Investors Corp. will issue additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such redesignated Preference Shares purchased by it and (iii) the Extension Qualifying Purchaser will purchase such additional Holding Preference Shares in lieu of such redesignated Preference Shares.

(c) The Share Registrar will record in the register maintained by it those Preference Shares which it has been notified in writing are held by HFP or any of its subsidiaries. Such Preference Shares shall be designated by the Share Registrar as Class II Preference Shares. HFP and its subsidiaries will agree not to transfer any of the Class II Preference Shares to any Person (including pursuant to the Amendment Buy-Out Option and a Maturity Extension as set out in paragraphs (a) and (b) above) other than Investors Corp. The Share Registrar will redesignate (i) Class II Preference Shares as Class I Preference Shares upon any transfer of such Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to Investors Corp. and (ii) Class I Preference Shares as Class II Preference Shares upon any transfer of Class I Preference Shares by Investors Corp. to HFP or any of its subsidiaries.

Section 8. Execution, Delivery and Dating. The certificates (if required by the Resolutions) relating to the Preference Shares shall be executed on behalf of the Issuer as provided for in the Memorandum and Articles of Association.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Agreement, the Issuer may deliver Preference Share certificates (the “**Preference Share Certificates**”) executed by the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, upon Issuer Order, shall deliver such Preference Share Certificates as provided in this Agreement and not otherwise.

Each Preference Share Certificate delivered by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to or upon Issuer Order on the Closing Date shall be dated the Closing Date. All other Preference Share Certificates that are delivered after the Closing Date for any other purpose under this Agreement shall be dated the date of their delivery.

Section 9. Registration and Registration of Transfer. (a) When the Preference Shares Paying Agent receives a request for transfer of Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall comply with its obligations as set forth in Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions.

(b) No transfer of the Preference Shares shall be registered if such transfer will result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors (as defined below) owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of either the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such transfer (excluding for purposes of such determination any Preference Shares held by any Controlling Person (as defined below) and its affiliates (such as the Preference Shares held by the Servicer or its affiliates) that is not also a Benefit Plan Investor) determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA and the Plan Asset Regulation issued by the United States Department of Labor and found at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 (the “**Plan Asset Regulation**”). Each purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share will be required to represent and agree whether or not such purchaser is, or is using the assets of, or will at any time throughout its holding and disposition of such Preference Share be or become, (i) an “employee benefit plan” as defined in Section 3(3) of the United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“**ERISA**”), that is subject to Title I of ERISA, (ii) a “plan” described in Section 4975(c)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “**Code**”), that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code or (iii) any entity whose underlying assets include “plan assets” of any of the foregoing by reason of an investment in the entity by such a plan or arrangement. In addition, each purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share (other than the Servicer or its affiliates) will be required to represent and agree whether or not it is, or is using the assets of, or will at any time throughout its holding and disposition of such Preference Share be or become the Servicer or any other person that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer or any “affiliate” (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) or any such person (any such person, a “Controlling Person”). If, after a purchaser’s or transferee’s initial acquisition of Preference Shares, the purchaser or transferee determines or the Issuer, the Share Registrar or the Preference Shares Paying Agent obtain actual knowledge that such purchaser or transferee has breached any of the foregoing representations, such purchaser or transferee will dispose of its interest in the Preference Shares in a manner consistent with the requirements set forth in Annex A to the Resolutions. Each purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share will be required to represent that either (i) it is not, and is not acquiring such Preference Share with the assets of, an “employee benefit plan” as defined under Section 3(3) of ERISA and that is subject to Title I of ERISA, any “plan” described in Section 4975(e) of the Code or a foreign, governmental or church plan subject to any federal, state, local or foreign law that is substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (each such plan, a “Covered Plan”) and throughout the holding of such Preference Share, it will not become or transfer its interest to any Covered Plan or to an entity using the assets thereof, or (ii) the acquisition and holding of such Preference Share by



the purchaser or transferee, throughout its holding and disposition of such Preference Share, will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a foreign, governmental or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar law), because such purchase, holding and disposition either (x) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (y) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all of the conditions of which are and will be satisfied upon its acquisition of, and throughout its holding and disposition of, such Preference Share. Each purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share will be required to represent and agree that it will not transfer such Preference Share in violation of any of the foregoing representations and agreements, that any purported transfer that does not comply with such representations and agreements will be null and void *ab initio* and will vest in the transferee no rights against the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Issuer, and that such purchaser or transferee, as applicable, and any fiduciary or other Person causing it to acquire such Preference Share shall, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Share Paying Agent, the Servicer, the Share Registrar, the Placement Agents and their respective affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of any transfer in violation of any of the foregoing.

(c) The Preference Shares Paying Agent agrees that, after the initial distribution of the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares, neither it nor any of its affiliates will acquire any Class D Notes or Preference Shares (including pursuant to a Maturity Extension or the Amendment Buy-Out Option) unless such acquisition would not, as determined by the Trustee, result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of any of the Class D Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such acquisition (determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA, the Plan Asset Regulation, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents). The Class D Notes and the Preference Shares held by the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any of its affiliates (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% limitation to the extent that such person has represented that it is not a Benefit Plan Investor.

(d) Notwithstanding anything else contained herein to the contrary, neither the Preference Shares Paying Agent nor the Share Registrar shall be responsible for ascertaining whether any purchase or transfer complies with the registration provisions of or exemptions from the Securities Act, applicable state laws, the Code, ERISA, the Plan Asset Regulation or the Investment Company Act; provided that if a certificate or other written representation is specifically required by the express terms of this Agreement or Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions to be delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by the purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine whether the same substantially conforms on its face with the terms of this Agreement or Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions, as applicable, and shall promptly notify the party delivering the same if such certificate does not comply with such terms.

(e) The Issuer shall (and shall cause the Share Registrar to) consult the Preference Shares Paying Agent in connection with all transfers of Preference Shares and shall (and shall cause the Share Registrar to) direct all transferors and transferees to correspond through the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Share Registrar will not be required to determine whether any proposed transfer, redemption or other transaction in relation to the Preference Shares complies with any restrictions imposed by law or under the terms of the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents but shall be entitled to rely completely in that respect on the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

(f) In the event that the Preference Shares Paying Agent is notified by the Issuer (or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer) that any Holder of Preference Shares has failed to provide the Issuer

with the applicable United States federal income tax certifications, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall notify the Share Registrar and request that it not record such transfer. Except as expressly provided herein or as required by this Agreement in connection with the Preference Shares Paying Agent's obligations to the Holders of Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no obligation to oversee or participate in any such transfer of Preference Shares.

Section 10. Fees and Indemnification. The fee to be paid in connection with the Preference Shares Paying Agent's appointment and duties as Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be paid pursuant to a letter agreement dated November 30, 2006 between the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Servicer on behalf of Investors Corp. and the Issuer. The fees payable hereunder shall be paid by the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent's account as directed by the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Issuer will indemnify the Preference Shares Paying Agent and its officers, directors, employees and agents, against any loss, liability or expense (including reasonable legal fees and out-of-pocket expenses of counsel) incurred in connection with their appointment and duties hereunder, except such as result from their own gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Preference Shares Paying Agent agrees that such fees and indemnification shall be treated as an Administrative Expense of the Issuer as defined in the Indenture and paid pursuant to the Priority of Payments. Anything in this Agreement notwithstanding, in no event shall the Preference Shares Paying Agent be liable for special, indirect or consequential losses or damages of any kind whatsoever (including but not limited to loss of profits), even if the Preference Shares Paying Agent has been advised of such loss or damage and regardless of the form of action. The obligation of the Issuer to indemnify the Preference Shares Paying Agent under this Section 10 shall survive retirement of the Preference Shares and any resignation or removal of the Preference Shares Paying Agent but shall remain subject to the provisions of Section 23.

Section 11. Liabilities. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be responsible or accountable to anyone for any reason whatsoever with respect to the validity of this Agreement or of the Preference Shares, or for any act done or omitted by it in good faith, or for anything whatsoever in connection with this Agreement, except for its own gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct in the performance of any duty to be performed by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder.

(b) The Preference Shares Paying Agent may consult as to legal matters with lawyers selected with due care by it, who may be employees of or regular independent counsel to the Issuer, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be protected from and shall incur no liability for action taken, or suffered to be taken, with respect to such matters in good faith and in accordance with the opinion or advice of such lawyers.

(c) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be protected from and shall incur no liability for or in respect of any action taken or thing suffered by it in reliance upon any Preference Shares, notice, direction, consent, certificate, affidavit, statement or other paper or document reasonably believed by it to be genuine and to have been delivered or signed by the proper parties, except as may result from its own gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct or that of its directors, officers, employees or agents.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be under any liability for interest on any money at any time received by it pursuant to any of the provisions of this Agreement, except as otherwise agreed in writing with the Issuer.

(e) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not incur any liability with respect to the validity or value of any of the Preference Shares unless otherwise specified herein.

Section 12. Conflicts. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent and its officers, directors and employees may, subject to the restrictions set forth in Section 9(c), become the Holder of, or acquire any interest in, any Preference Shares, with the same rights that it or they would have if it were not the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder, or they were not such officers, directors, or employees, and may engage or be interested in any fiscal or other transaction with the Issuer and may act on, or as depository, trustee or agent for, any committee or body of Holders of Preference Shares or other indebtedness of the Issuer as freely as if it were not the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder or they were not such officers, directors, or employees.

(b) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be obliged to perform such duties and only such duties as are specifically set forth herein, and no implied duties or obligations shall be read into this Agreement or the Indenture against the Preference Shares Paying Agent. Except for Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions (to the extent they do not contradict this Agreement), the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no duties under Annex A to the Resolutions. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be under any obligation to take any action hereunder that may tend to involve it in any expenses or liability, the payment of which within a reasonable time is not, in its reasonable opinion, assured to it. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be accountable or under any duty or responsibility in case of any default of which the Preference Shares Paying Agent has knowledge by the Issuer in the performance of its obligations contained in the Memorandum and Articles of Association and Annex A to the Resolutions (including, without limitation, any duty or responsibility to initiate or attempt to initiate any proceedings at law or otherwise or to make any demand for payment upon the Issuer).

(c) In acting under this Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agent is acting solely as agent of the Issuer and does not assume any obligations to, or relationship of agency or trust for or with any of the owners or Holders of the Preference Shares. All funds held by the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment on the Preference Shares shall be held in trust for the Issuer, until paid.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, as between itself and the Holders of the Preference Shares, with respect to all the obligations, powers, authorities and discretions, vested in it hereunder and under the Memorandum and Articles of Association and the Resolutions, have absolute and uncontrolled discretion as to the exercise thereof whether in relation to the manner or as to the mode of and time for the exercise thereof and, in the absence of gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct on its part or that of its officers, directors or employees shall be in no way responsible for any loss, costs, damages or inconvenience that may result from the exercise or non-exercise thereof.

Section 13. Amendment. (a) This Agreement may be amended by the parties hereto, without the consent of the Holders of any Preference Shares, for the purpose of curing any ambiguity, or of curing, correcting or supplementing any defective provision contained herein, or in regard to matters or questions arising under this Agreement as the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem necessary or desirable and which shall not materially adversely affect the interests of Holders of the Preference Shares; provided that, Sections 2(f) and (g) of this Agreement may not be amended without the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class. In addition, this Agreement may be amended without the consent of any Holders of the Preference Shares and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Preference Shares in order to prevent the Issuer from becoming an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); provided that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer shall have received a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel

delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such supplemental indenture, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

(b) Unless otherwise as set forth in subsection (a) above, this Agreement may be amended with the consent of Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares materially and adversely affected thereby.

(c) Any amendment to this Agreement must be in writing executed by each party hereto.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to its duties and obligations herein) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an opinion of counsel, consent or certificate of the Issuer in determining whether or not any proposed amendment is permitted hereunder.

(e) Any amendment to this Agreement that would necessitate a change to the Memorandum and Articles of Association may only be made after a Special Resolution (as therein defined) has been passed to permit the Memorandum and Articles of Association to be altered to conform with such proposed amendment.

Section 14. Resignation or Removal of the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Preference Shares Paying Agent may at any time resign as the Preference Shares Paying Agent, by giving written notice to the Issuer of its resignation, specifying the date on which its resignation shall become effective (which date shall not be less than 60 days after the date on which such notice is given unless the Issuer shall agree to a shorter period). The Issuer may remove the Preference Shares Paying Agent at any time by giving written notice of not less than 60 days to the Preference Shares Paying Agent specifying the date on which such removal shall become effective. Such resignation or removal shall only take effect upon the appointment by the Issuer of a successor Preference Shares Paying Agent and upon the acceptance of such appointment by such successor Preference Shares Paying Agent; provided, however, that if the successor Preference Shares Paying Agent has not been appointed within 60 days after such notice of resignation or removal, then the Preference Shares Paying Agent, or any Holder of Preference Shares, may, on behalf of himself and others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Preference Shares Paying Agent; provided, further, that after the retirement of the Notes, if the Issuer determines that no material distributions will be paid on the Preference Shares, the Issuer may remove the Preference Shares Paying Agent at any time, by giving written notice of not less than 10 days, and assume the duties of the Preference Shares Paying Agent itself.

Section 15. Assignment. No party hereto may assign or novate any of its rights or obligations hereunder except with the prior written consent of all the parties hereto.

Section 16. Merger, Conversion, Consolidation or Succession to Business of Preference Shares Paying Agent. Any entity into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any entity resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Preference Shares Paying Agent is a party, or any entity succeeding to all or substantially all of the corporate trust business of the Preference Shares Paying Agent, shall be the successor of the Preference Shares Paying Agent under this Agreement without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto.

Section 17. Reports and Notices. The Issuer hereby authorizes the Preference Shares Paying Agent to deliver or request the Trustee to deliver all Monthly Reports and Valuation Reports (each

a “**Report**” and, collectively, “**Reports**”) prepared pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver, or shall cause the Trustee to deliver a copy of any such Report to such Holders within two Business Days of receipt of any such Report. In addition, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver, or shall cause the Trustee to deliver, a copy of any other notice or information that it has received from the Trustee under the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares within two Business Days of receipt of such notice and information. Any notices or information to be delivered by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to this Agreement shall be delivered, in each case, (i) by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to each Holder of a Preference Share at the address appearing in the Preference Share register or (ii) with respect to delivery of the Reports, by making such Reports available via its internet website, initially located at <http://www.cdocalc.com/ibt/cdo/>. All information made available on the Preference Shares Paying Agent’s website shall be restricted and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall only provide access to such reports to those parties entitled thereto pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. In connection with providing access to its website, the Preference Shares Paying Agent may require registration and the acceptance of a disclaimer. Questions regarding the Preference Shares Paying Agent’s website may be directed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent’s customer service desk at (617) 937-5585.

Section 18. Notices. (a) All communications by or on behalf of the Issuer relating to the transfer or payment of a Preference Share or any interest therein shall be directed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent at its address set forth in clause (b)(ii) below. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall mail any notice it receives from the Trustee (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) to the Holders of the Preference Shares on the Business Day it receives such notice.

Where this Agreement provides for notice to Holders of the Preference Shares of any event, such notice shall be sufficiently given (unless otherwise herein expressly provided) if such notice is in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, to each Holder of the Preference Shares affected by such event, at such Holder’s address as it appears on the Preference Share register, not later than the latest date, and not earlier than the earliest date, prescribed for the giving of such notice.

Neither the failure to mail such notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Holder of Preference Shares shall affect the sufficiency of such notice with respect to other Holders. Any notice that is given in the manner herein provided shall conclusively be presumed to have been duly given whether or not actually received by such Holder. Any notice to Holders of the Preference Shares provided for in this Agreement will be deemed to have been given on the date of mailing.

Any notice by any Holder of Holding Preference Shares delivered to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be treated by the Preference Shares Paying Agent, for the purposes of this Agreement, as a notice, by a Holder of Preference Shares with respect to a number of Preference Shares equal to the number of Holding Preference Shares with respect to which such notice relates, delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent on the same date such notice is delivered to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent.

Where this Agreement provides for notice in any manner, such notice may be waived in writing by any Person entitled to receive such notice, either before or after the event, and such waiver shall be the equivalent of such notice.

In the event that, by reason of the suspension of the regular mail service as a result of a strike, work stoppage or similar activity, it shall be impractical to mail notice of any event to Holders of the Preference Shares when such notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this

Agreement, then any manner of giving such notice as shall be satisfactory to the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be deemed to be a sufficient giving of such notice.

(b) Notices and other communications hereunder shall (except to the extent otherwise expressly provided) be in writing and shall be addressed as follows, or to such other addresses as the parties hereto shall specify from time to time:

(i) if to the Issuer:

Grayson CLO  
P.O. Box 1234  
Queensgate House, South Church Street  
George Town, Grand Cayman KY1-1108  
Cayman Islands  
Fax: (345) 945-6265  
Attention: The Directors

(ii) if to the Preference Shares Paying Agent:

Investors Bank & Trust Company  
200 Clarendon Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Mailcode: EUC 108  
Boston, MA 02116  
Fax: (617) 351-4358  
Attention: CDO Services Group

Section 19. Covenants of the Issuer. The Issuer shall not take any action under this Agreement or the Indenture that requires the authorization, direction or consent from the Holders of the Preference Shares without obtaining such authorization, direction or consent from the Holders of the Preference Shares. It shall be the responsibility of the Issuer to satisfy the Preference Shares Paying Agent as to the compliance with the foregoing condition (on which the Preference Shares Paying Agent may rely on in good faith).

Section 20. Transfer of Issuer Ordinary Shares. For so long as any of the Preference Shares are Outstanding, the Issuer shall not agree to the transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares to U.S. Persons (as defined in the Code), and shall not transfer any such Issuer Ordinary Shares to any Person other than a Person which is a resident of the Cayman Islands.

Section 21. Certain Tax Matters. (a) On demand of the Issuer, a Holder or beneficial owner of a Preference Share will notify the Issuer whether or not the Holder or beneficial owner of such Preference Share is a United States person within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code and the name and status of such Holder or beneficial owner as an individual, partnership, corporation, or other entity and such other information as the Issuer shall reasonably request for purposes of tax reporting of the Issuer or other Holders of the Preference Shares.

(b) The Issuer will cause the Independent accountants to make a determination as to whether a Holder's investment in the Preference Shares has become a "reportable transaction" as described in Treasury Regulation Section 1.6011-4 because, after the Closing Date, the Issuer entered into a transaction whereby the Issuer recognized a significant loss or otherwise. If the Holder's investment in the Preference Shares has become such a "reportable transaction," then the Issuer shall provide to Holders of Preference Shares any information available to it which may be reasonably necessary for such Holders

of Preference Shares to comply with any disclosure requirements under Section 6011 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder with respect to its investment in the Preference Shares.

(c) The Issuer will provide or cause to be provided to each Holder or beneficial owner of the Preference Shares (or its designee), upon written request therefor, any information that such Holder or beneficial owner reasonably requests to assist such Holder or beneficial owner with regard to its or its equity owners' U.S. federal income tax filing requirements.

(d) Each Holder and beneficial owner of the Preference Shares agrees to treat the Preference Shares as equity of the Issuer and the Notes as debt of the Issuer for U.S. federal, state and local income tax purposes, if applicable.

(e) The Issuer will make an election to be treated as a partnership, and will take all necessary actions to maintain its status as a partnership (or, if the Issuer is treated as owned by one person, as a disregarded entity of such person) for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

(f) The Issuer shall not participate in listing or including the Class D Notes or Preference Shares on or in any Established Securities Markets, and shall not participate in establishing any Established Securities Market for its Class D Notes or Preference Shares. In addition, the Issuer shall not recognize any transfers made on any Established Securities Markets with respect to its Class D Notes or Preference Shares (including any transfers of any financial instrument (other than the Senior Notes) or contract the value of which is determined in whole or in part by reference to the Issuer).

(g) Transfers of Preference Shares may only be made upon receipt by the Preference Shares Paying Agent of (1) appropriate documentation required under the Code and the applicable Treasury regulations establishing that the beneficial owner of the Preference Shares to be transferred is either not a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-8BEN or an IRS Form W-8IMY with appropriate attachments) or a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-9) and (2) if such beneficial owner of Preference Shares to be transferred is treated as a partnership, S-corporation or grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a written representation from such beneficial owner that (i) there will not be any interests in such beneficial owner where substantially all of the value of such interest is attributable to the value of the Preference Shares proposed to be transferred to such beneficial owner, together with the value of any Class D Notes, Holding Preference Shares and Preference Shares already held by such beneficial owner and (ii) such beneficial owner is not a part of any arrangement a principal purpose of which is to cause the Class D Notes and Preference Shares to be treated as owned by 100 persons or less within the meaning of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h). In addition, neither the Preference Shares Paying Agent nor the Issuer shall recognize any transfers of Preference Shares, and any such proposed transfer shall be null and void, if (a) the proposed transfer will cause the Issuer to have more than ninety-nine beneficial owners (as determined for purposes of the provisions of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h)) of its Class D Notes and Preference Shares unless it receives the consent of all of the Holders of the Preference Shares and an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that Holders of the Notes will not recognize gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such transfer, and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such transfer had not been made or (b) such transfer was made pursuant to a trade on an Established Securities Market. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be entitled to rely on the information set forth in the transfer certificates received pursuant to this Agreement in respect of the number of beneficial owners of Preference Shares and shall contact the Trustee to request, and may rely upon the information it receives from the Trustee with respect to, the number of beneficial owners of the Class D Notes. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall provide, upon request by the Trustee, the number of beneficial owners of the Preference Shares, in reliance upon the transfer certificates received pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

Section 22. Minimum Lots. Preference Shares must be held in minimum lots of 100 Preference Shares per investor and integral multiples of one Preference Share in excess thereof.

Section 23. Limited Recourse; No Petition. The Preference Shares Paying Agent hereby acknowledges and agrees that the Issuer's obligations hereunder will be solely the corporate obligations of the Issuer, and that the Preference Shares Paying Agent will not have any recourse to any of the directors, officers, employees, shareholders or Affiliates of the Issuer with respect to any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations in connection with any transactions contemplated hereby. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, recourse in respect of any obligations of the Issuer hereunder will be limited to the proceeds of the Collateral, paid pursuant to the Priority of Payments and on the exhaustion thereof all obligations of and all claims against the Issuer arising from this Agreement or any transactions contemplated hereby shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, by entering into this Agreement, hereby covenants and agrees that it will not, prior to the date which is one year and one day (or, if longer, the applicable preference period) after the payment in full of all amounts owing under the Indenture and this Agreement, institute against the Issuer, or voluntarily join in any institution against the Issuer of, any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency or liquidation proceedings, or other proceedings under any United States federal or state bankruptcy or similar law of any jurisdiction within or without the United States in connection with any obligations relating to the Preference Shares or this Agreement. The provisions of this Section 23 shall survive termination of this Agreement for any reason whatsoever.

Section 24. (a) GOVERNING LAW. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

(b) WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL. EACH OF THE ISSUER AND THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY AND ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, THE PREFERENCE SHARES OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY.

(c) Service of Process. The Issuer irrevocably appoints Investors Bank & Trust Company (the "**Process Agent**") c/o Investors Bank & Trust Company, located at 33 Maiden Lane, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10038, to receive, for it and on its behalf, service of process in any suit, action or proceeding relating to this Agreement. If for any reason the Process Agent is unable to act as such, the Issuer shall promptly notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent and within 30 days appoint a substitute process agent acceptable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

Section 25. Signatures. This Agreement may be signed in two or more counterparts with the same effect as if the signatures thereto and hereto were upon the same instrument. A facsimile signature shall be considered due execution and shall be binding upon the signatory thereto with the same force and effect as if the signature were an original.

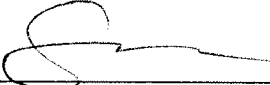
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Please indicate your acceptance of this appointment and the terms of this Agreement by signing and returning the enclosed copy of this Agreement. The Issuer by signing this Agreement confirms its agreement to the terms stated herein.

Very truly yours,

GRAYSON CLO, LTD.

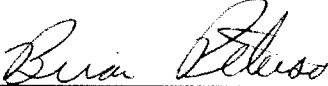
By: 

Name: **SCOTT DAKERS**

Title: *DIRECTOR*

Accepted and agreed to on this 30<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2006.

INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST COMPANY

By: 

Name *Brian Peterson*

Title: *Director*

Notice of Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities

Date: [\_\_\_\_\_]

[Name of Holder]

[address]

Attention: [\_\_\_\_\_]

Copy:

Grayson CLO, Ltd.  
P.O. Box 1234  
Queensgate House  
South Church Street  
George Town  
Grand Cayman, KY1-1108, Cayman Islands  
Attention: the Directors

Re: Grayson CLO, Ltd.  
Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of Interest

Proceeds

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This letter is to inform you that Highland Capital Management, L.P., in its capacity as servicer (the “**Servicer**”) with respect to that certain servicing agreement, dated as of November 30, 2006, by and between Grayson CLO, Ltd.. (the “**Issuer**”) and the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, would like to distribute Eligible Equity Securities on the Payment Date of [\_\_\_\_], 20[\_\_\_\_] to the Holders of the Preference Shares in lieu of the Interest Proceeds, in whole or in part, that are otherwise due and payable to such Holders on such Payment Date. Such Eligible Equity Securities will be distributed in accordance with Sections 2(e) and 3(b) of that certain paying agency agreement, dated as of [\_\_\_\_], 2006 (the “**Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement**”), by and between the Issuer and Investors Bank & Trust Company, in its capacity as preference shares paying agent (the “**Preference Shares Paying Agent**”) and Section 11.1(a)(i) of that certain indenture, dated as of November 30, 2006, by and between the Issuer, Grayson CLO Corp. and Investors Bank & Trust Company, in its capacity as trustee (the “**Trustee**”). Any capitalized terms used without definition herein are used with the meanings assigned to such terms in the Indenture.

Details with respect to the proposed distribution of such Eligible Equity Securities are attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Each Holder of the Preference Shares wishing to receive such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder (each such Holder, a “**Consenting Holder**”) must deliver the consent notice attached hereto as Exhibit B (the “**Consent Notice**”) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent not later than five Business Days prior to such

Payment Date. Each Consenting Holder must indicate in the Consent Notice the portion of Preference Shares held by such Holder for which such Holder wishes to receive a distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of Interest Proceeds. Any Consent Notice that is not delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in the manner set forth herein shall be deemed to have not been delivered.

Please contact [ ] (*insert e-mail address*) at [( ) - ] with any questions.

Sincerely,

Investors Bank & Trust Company  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent

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

## EXHIBIT A

**CONSENT NOTICE**

The undersigned hereby consents to a distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of the Interest Proceeds due and payable as dividends with respect to [ ] of the Preference Shares held by the undersigned on the Payment Date of [ ], 20[ ].

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 20[ ]

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Holder

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Authorized Signatory

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Authorized Signatory

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Title of Authorized Signatory



ANNEX A  
To the Minutes of the Resolutions of the Board of Directors of  
GRAYSON CLO, LTD.

The Issuer may perform any of the functions set forth in this Annex A through the Preference Shares Paying Agent under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement or the Administrator in its capacity as Share Registrar under the Administration Agreement.

Section 1.     Definitions.

Except as otherwise specified herein or as the context may otherwise require, the following terms have the respective meanings set forth below for all purposes of this Annex A, and the definitions of such terms are equally applicable both to the singular and plural forms of such terms and to the masculine, feminine and neuter genders of such terms. Capitalized terms used in this Annex A and not defined herein will have the meanings given to them in the Indenture, dated as of November 30, 2006, by and among Grayson CLO, Ltd. (the “**Issuer**”), Grayson CLO Corp., as co-issuer and Investors Bank & Trust Company, as trustee.

“**Authorized Amount**”: 100 Preference Shares and integral multiples of 1.

“**Controlling Person**”: Any person that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer or any "affiliate" (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) of any such person.

“**Corporate Trust Office**”: The corporate trust office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent at which the Preference Shares Paying Agent performs its duties under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, currently having an address of 200 Clarendon Street, Mailcode EUC 108, Boston MA 02116, telecopy no. (617) 351-4358, Attention: CDO Services Group or any other address the Preference Shares Paying Agent designates from time to time by notice to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Trustee, the Issuer and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Preference Shares Paying Agent.

“**ERISA Plan**”: Any “employee benefit plan” (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of Title I of ERISA, any “plan” described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code subject to Section 4975 of the Code and any entity whose underlying assets include the assets of any such employee benefit plan and/or plan.

“**Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**”: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Payment Date in November, 2025); provided that the “Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November, 2037.

**“Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor”**: The meaning specified in Section 10(b).

**“Non-Permitted Holder”**: The meaning specified in Section 10(a).

**“Plan Asset Regulation”**: The regulation issued by the United States Department of Labor and found at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101.

**“Preference Shares”**: Preference Shares sold or transferred to a Person who is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (b) a Qualified Purchaser and evidenced by a physical certificate in definitive, fully registered form in the form set forth in Exhibit A hereto.

**“Record Date”**: As to any Payment Date, the 15<sup>th</sup> day (whether or not a Business Day) before the Payment Date.

**“Resolutions”**: The meaning specified in the minutes to which this Annex A is attached.

**“Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date”**: November 1, 2021 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date.

**“Shareholders” or “Holders”**: With respect to any Preference Shares, the Person in whose name such Preference Shares are registered in the Share Register.

**“Share Register”**: The meaning specified in Section 5(a).

**“Share Registrar”**: The meaning specified in Section 5(a).

**“Transferee Certificate”**: A certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B attached hereto, duly completed as appropriate.

## Section 2. Form of Preference Shares.

Preference Shares shall be issued in the form of one or more certificated Preference Shares as set forth in Exhibit A hereto.

Preference Shares may be offered, sold or delivered or resold only to Persons who are both (x) Qualified Institutional Buyers who purchase such Preference Shares for their own account in reliance on Rule 144A under the Securities Act and (y) Qualified Purchasers.

## Section 3. Authorized Minimum Number of Preference Shares.

The Preference Shares shall be issuable only in an Authorized Amount. The Share Registrar shall not register any transfer of Preference Shares if, after giving effect to such transfer, any transferee and any transferor that continues to hold Preference Shares would hold less than an Authorized Amount of Preference Shares.



Section 4.     Execution.

The certificates representing the Preference Shares shall be executed on behalf of the Issuer by one of the Authorized Officers of the Issuer. The signature of such Authorized Officers on the Preference Share certificates may be manual or facsimile.

Preference Share certificates bearing the manual or facsimile signatures of individuals who were at any time the Authorized Officers of the Issuer shall be valid, notwithstanding the fact that such individuals or any of them have ceased to hold such offices prior to the execution and delivery of such Preference Share certificates or did not hold such offices at the date of issuance of such Preference Share certificates.

Preference Share certificates issued upon transfer of Preference Shares shall be issued in an Authorized Amount reflecting the numbers of Preference Shares so transferred and, if applicable, retained by the transferor.

No Person shall be entitled to any benefit under the Preference Share Documents until such time as such Person and the number of Preference Shares held by such Person have been recorded in the Share Register. Notwithstanding delivery of a Preference Share certificate, the Share Register shall be conclusive evidence, and the only evidence, of the issuance and registered Holders of Preference Shares.

Section 5.     Registration, Registration of Transfer and Exchange.

(a) The Issuer shall cause to be kept a register (the “**Share Register**”) in the Cayman Islands in which, subject to such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe, the Issuer shall provide for the registration and registration of transfers thereof of Preference Shares. The Administrator is appointed the “**Share Registrar**” pursuant to the Administration Agreement for the purpose of registering Preference Shares and transfers of Preference Shares. Upon any resignation or removal of the Share Registrar, the Issuer shall promptly appoint a successor or, in the absence of such appointment, assume the duties of Share Registrar. The Share Registrar shall promptly provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with copies of all notices, certificates and requests received with respect to the Preference Shares and promptly provide notice of all transfers of Preference Shares. The Share Registrar shall not be required to determine whether any proposed transfer, redemption or other transaction in relation to the Preference Shares complies with any restrictions imposed by law or under the terms of the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents but shall be entitled to rely completely in that respect on the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

The Issuer will give the Preference Shares Paying Agent prompt written notice of the appointment of any successor Share Registrar and of the location, and any change in the location, of the Share Registrar, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have the right to inspect the Share Register at all reasonable times and to obtain copies thereof and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have the right to rely upon a certificate executed on behalf of such Share Registrar by an Officer thereof as to the names and addresses of the Shareholders and the numbers of Preference Shares held by each Shareholder. If the Preference Shares Paying Agent

resigns or is removed in accordance with the terms of the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement, the Issuer shall promptly appoint a successor.

Subject to this Section 5, upon surrender of a Preference Share certificate for registration of transfer thereof at the offices of the Preference Shares Paying Agent in compliance with the provisions set forth in the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall notify the Issuer and the Share Registrar thereof and the Issuer shall execute and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver, in the name of the designated transferee or transferees, one or more new Preference Share certificates of like terms and of a like number, and the Share Register shall be amended accordingly. The Issuer shall (and shall cause the Share Registrar to) refuse to register any transfer of any Preference Share to the fullest extent allowed under Cayman Islands law if such transfer would violate any of the transfer restrictions provided in this Section 5 or the transferee fails to provide a required transfer certificate.

All Preference Share certificates presented or surrendered for registration of transfer shall be duly endorsed, or be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar, duly executed by the Holder of Preference Shares thereof or its attorney duly authorized in writing.

No service charge shall be made to a Holder for any registration of transfer of Preference Shares, but the Preference Shares Paying Agent may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

(b) No Preference Share may be sold or transferred (including, without limitation, by pledge or hypothecation) unless such sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act and is exempt under applicable state securities law.

No Preference Share may be offered, sold or delivered except in accordance with this Section 5. None of the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any other Person may register the Preference Shares under the Securities Act or any state securities law.

For so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding, neither the Issuer nor the Share Registrar shall register any transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares to U.S. Persons.

If a Holder of a Preference Shares wishes at any time to transfer its interest in such Preference Shares, such Holder may cause the transfer of such interest, subject to the restrictions set forth herein. Upon receipt by the Preference Shares Paying Agent of (A) such Holder's Preference Share certificates duly endorsed and (B) a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B attached hereto given by the transferee of such Preference Shares and stating, among other things, that either the Person acquiring such interest in the Preference Shares is a (1) Qualified Institutional Buyer and (2) a Qualified Purchaser then the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall instruct the Share Registrar to, and the Share Registrar shall (i) cancel the Preference Shares certificate representing such Preference Shares and the Share Registrar will issue to such transferee a Preference Shares certificate representing the Preference Shares transferred and (ii) update the Share Register to reflect such transfer.

Any transfer will be subject to the requirement that any transferee (and transferor, in the case of a partial transfer) acquire (and retain, if applicable) Preference Shares in an Authorized Amount.

Each Transferee Certificate furnished pursuant to this Section 5(b) may be relied on conclusively by the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar. None of the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Share Registrar or any other Person shall be required to register the Preference Shares under the Securities Act or any state securities laws.

(c) By delivery of a Subscription Agreement on the Closing Date in connection with the initial issuance of the Preference Shares, or upon delivery of a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B upon the transfer of Preference Shares, each Holder of a Preference Share will represent, warrant and agree with the Issuer to what is in Exhibit B and set forth in Exhibit B.

If Preference Share certificates are issued upon the transfer, exchange or replacement of Preference Share certificates and a request is made to remove the applicable legend on such Preference Share certificates, the Preference Share certificates so issued shall bear such applicable legend, or such applicable legend shall not be removed, as the case may be, unless there is addressed to the Issuer and delivered to the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent on the Issuer's behalf such satisfactory evidence, which may include an opinion of counsel as may be reasonably required by the Issuer to the effect that neither such applicable legend nor the restrictions on transfer set forth therein are required to ensure that transfers thereof comply with the provisions of Rule 144A under the Securities Act or the Investment Company Act. Upon provision of such satisfactory evidence, the Issuer shall execute and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver Preference Share certificates that do not bear such applicable legend.

(d) At any time when the Issuer is not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act and is not exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act, upon the request of any Holder of Preference Shares, the Issuer shall promptly furnish Rule 144A Information to such Holder, to a prospective purchaser of any Preference Share designated by such Holder or to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for delivery to such Holder or a prospective purchaser designated by such Holder, as the case may be, in order to permit compliance by such Holder with Rule 144A under the Securities Act in connection with the resale of such Preference Share by such Holder.

(e) Transfers of Preference Shares may only be made upon receipt by the Preference Shares Paying Agent of (1) appropriate documentation required under the Code and the applicable Treasury regulations establishing that the beneficial owner of the Preference Shares to be transferred is either not a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-8BEN or an IRS Form W-8IMY with appropriate attachments) or a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-9) and (2) if such beneficial owner of Preference Shares to be transferred is treated as a partnership, S-corporation or grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a written representation from such beneficial owner that (i) there will not be any interests in such beneficial owner where substantially all of the value of such interest is attributable to the value of the Preference Shares proposed to be transferred to such beneficial owner, together with the value of any Class D

Notes, Holding Preference Shares and Preference Shares already held by such beneficial owner and (ii) such beneficial owner is not a part of any arrangement a principal purpose of which is to cause the Class D Notes and Preference Shares to be treated as owned by 100 persons or less within the meaning of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h). In addition, neither the Preference Shares Paying Agent nor the Issuer shall recognize any transfers of Preference Shares, and any such proposed transfer shall be null and void, if (a) the proposed transfer will cause the Issuer to have more than ninety-nine beneficial owners (as determined for purposes of the provisions of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h)) of its Class D Notes and Preference Shares unless it receives the consent of all of the Holders of the Preference Shares and an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that Holders of the Notes will not recognize gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such transfer, and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such transfer had not been made or (b) such transfer was made pursuant to a trade on an Established Securities Market. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall contact the Trustee to determine the number of beneficial owners of the Class D Notes. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall provide, upon request by the Trustee, the number of beneficial owners of the Preference Shares.

Section 6. Mutilated, Defaced, Destroyed, Lost or Stolen Preference Share certificates.

If any mutilated or defaced Preference Share certificate is surrendered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, or if there shall be delivered to the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (i) evidence to their reasonable satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of any Preference Share certificate and (ii) such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them and any agent of any of them harmless that such Preference Share has been acquired by a protected purchaser, then, the Issuer shall execute and, upon Issuer Request, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver, in lieu of any such mutilated, defaced, destroyed, lost or stolen Preference Share, a new Preference Share certificate identical in all respects to the entry in the Share Register with respect to such Preference Shares represented thereby, including the same date of issuance, number of Preference Shares and name of the Holder thereof, dated the date of its execution and bearing a number not contemporaneously Outstanding. Upon the execution and delivery of any new Preference Share certificates under this Section 6, the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent may require the payment by the registered Holder thereof of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation thereto and any other expenses (including the fees and expenses of the Preference Shares Paying Agent, if applicable) connected therewith.

Section 7. Payment of Distributions on Preference Shares.

Pursuant to the Indenture, amounts may be paid by way of dividends to the Preference Shares Paying Agent on behalf of the Issuer on each Payment Date, on the Redemption Date or on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. Unless the Preference Shares Paying Agent has received contrary instructions from the directors of the Issuer (the “**Directors**”) prior to a Payment Date, the Redemption Date or the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date in accordance with the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, all amounts received as dividends by the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant

to the Indenture shall be paid to the Holders of Preference Shares (i) in respect of a Payment Date or the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, *pro rata* on the Preference Shares on such Payment Date or Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date by way of a dividend on the Preference Shares or, if applicable, as redemption price therefor or (ii) in respect of the Redemption Date, in accordance with Section 3(g) of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. If, prior to the date of distribution in accordance with the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Directors instruct the Preference Shares Paying Agent not to distribute all or any portion of monies to be received as dividends by the Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to a Payment Date, the Redemption Date or the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (which instruction shall be made if such distributions would be impermissible under Cayman Islands law, and then only to the extent such distributions would be impermissible), the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall retain such monies in the Preference Shares Distribution Account and shall pay such amounts as soon as practicable after being instructed to do so by the Directors.

In addition to the distributions of dividends, pursuant to Section 2(d) of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, on each Payment Date during the first two years following the Closing Date, Holders of the Class II Preference Shares shall receive, on a *pro rata* basis, the Class II Preference Share Special Payment in an amount equal to the product of (x) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date and (y) the Servicing Fees then due and payable to the Servicer. After the two-year anniversary of the Closing Date, such Class II Preference Share Special Payment shall be distributed *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares in an amount as determined by the Servicer in its sole discretion.

The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall make payments or distributions (other than distributions of Equity Securities) to each registered Holder of the Preference Shares on the relevant Record Date by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a U.S. Dollar account maintained by each such Holder as notified to the Preference Shares Paying Agent or, in the absence of such notification, by U.S. Dollar check mailed to such Holder at its address of record as set forth in the Share Register. As a condition to payment of any amount hereunder without the imposition of U.S. withholding tax, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, may require certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments or distributions in respect of Preference Shares under any present or future law or regulation of the United States or any present or future law or regulation of any political subdivision thereof or taxing authority therein or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under such law or regulation. All payments or distributions by the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be made without charging any commission or fee to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

The rights of the Holders of the Preference Shares to distributions by the Issuer and in and to the assets of the Issuer in respect of such Preference Shares, shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes, to the extent and in the manner set forth in the Indenture including as set forth in Section 11.1 thereof and as required by law. If any Event of Default has occurred and has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs in accordance with Article V of the Indenture, the Notes shall be paid in full in Cash (or to the extent that a Majority of each Class of

Notes consents, other than Cash) before any further payment or distribution is made on account of the Preference Shares.

In the event that any Holder of any Preference Shares shall have received any payment or distribution in respect of such Preference Shares contrary to the provisions of this Annex A or the Indenture, then, unless and until (u) the Class A-1a Notes, (v) the Class A-1b Notes, (w) the Class A-2 Notes, (x) the Class B Notes, (y) the Class C Notes and (z) the Class D Notes shall have been paid in full in Cash (or to the extent that a Majority of each Class of Notes consents, other than Cash) in accordance with the Indenture, such payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, for payment and delivery of the same to the Holders of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes, as the case may be, in accordance with the Indenture; provided, however, that if any such payment or distribution is made other than in Cash, it shall be paid over and delivered to the Trustee such that it may be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral pursuant to, and subject in all respects to, the provisions of the Indenture, including Section 13.1 thereof.

Section 8. Persons Deemed Owners.

The person listed in the Share Register shall be treated as the owner of Preference Shares related thereto for all purposes, notwithstanding the possession of any certificates for the Preference Shares by another Person.

Section 9. Cancellation.

All Preference Share certificates representing Preference Shares surrendered for payment, registration of transfer, exchange or redemption, or deemed lost or stolen, shall promptly be canceled by the Share Registrar in accordance with its policy and may not be reissued or resold. No Preference Share certificates shall be issued in lieu of or in exchange for any Preference Share certificate cancelled as provided in this Section 9, except as expressly permitted by this Annex A. All cancelled Preference Share certificates held by the Share Registrar shall be placed in the minute books in the corporate records of the Issuer. Any certificates issued in respect of Preference Shares repurchased by the Issuer shall be immediately delivered to the Share Registrar for cancellation.

Section 10. Preference Shares Owned by Non-Permitted Holders; Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investors.

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, any transfer of a Preference Share to a Person that is not both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser (any such Person a “**Non-Permitted Holder**”) shall be null and void *ab initio* and any such purported transfer of which the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have notice may be disregarded by the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent for all purposes.

If any Non-Permitted Holder shall become the owner of any Preference Shares, the Issuer shall, promptly after discovery that such Person is a Non-Permitted Holder by the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (and notice by the Preference Shares Paying Agent

to the Issuer, if the Preference Shares Paying Agent makes the discovery), send notice to such Non-Permitted Holder demanding that such Non-Permitted Holder transfer its Preference Shares to a Person that is eligible to purchase such Preference Shares hereunder within 30 days of the date of such notice. If such Non-Permitted Holder fails to so transfer its Preference Shares, the Issuer shall have the right, without further notice to the Non-Permitted Holder, to sell such Preference Shares to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is eligible to purchase such Preference Shares hereunder on such terms as the Issuer may choose. The Issuer, or the Preference Shares Paying Agent acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting one or more bids from one or more brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Preference Shares, and selling such Preference Shares to the highest such bidder. However, the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent acting on behalf of the Issuer may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Preference Share, the Non-Permitted Holder and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder to the Non-Permitted Holder, by its acceptance of the Preference Shares, agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent to effect such transfers. The proceeds of such sale, net of any commissions, expenses and taxes due in connection with such sale, shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted Holder. The terms and conditions of any sale under this Section shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer, and neither the Issuer nor the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be liable to any Person having an interest in the Preference Shares sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of such discretion.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, no person shall be permitted to acquire Preference Shares if such acquisition would result in persons who have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owing 25% or more of the aggregate amount of either the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares outstanding immediately after such acquisition (excluding for purposes of this determination the Preference Shares held by any Controlling Person and its affiliates), determined in accordance with the Plan Asset Regulation, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. Furthermore, no person shall be permitted to acquire Preference Shares if such person is either (1) an ERISA Plan or (2) a Benefit Plan Investor that is not an ERISA Plan, but whose purchase, holding or disposition of a Preference Share or any beneficial interest therein will result in a non-exempt violation of any federal, state, foreign or local law substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code. Any person described in the first sentence of this subsection (b) and any person described in clause (1) or (2) of the preceding sentence is referred to herein as a “**Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor**.” Any transfer of Preference Shares to a Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor shall be null and void *ab initio* and any such purported transfer of which the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have notice may be disregarded by the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent for all purposes.

If any Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor shall become the owner of Preference Shares, the Issuer shall, promptly after discovery that such person is a Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor by the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (and notice by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Issuer, if the Preference Shares Paying Agent makes the discovery), send notice to such Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor demanding that such Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor transfer its Preference Shares to a Person that is eligible to purchase such Preference Shares hereunder within 30 days of the date of such notice. If such Non-Permitted

Benefit Plan Investor fails to so transfer such Preference Shares, the Issuer shall have the right, without further notice to the Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor, to sell such Preference Shares to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is eligible to purchase such Preference Shares hereunder on such terms as the Issuer may choose. The Issuer, or the Preference Shares Paying Agent acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting one or more bids from one or more brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Preference Shares and selling such Preference Shares to the highest such bidder. However, the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent acting on behalf of the Issuer may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Preference Share, the Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder to the Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor, by its acceptance of Preference Shares agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent to effect such transfers. The proceeds of such sale, net of any commissions, expenses and taxes due in connection with such sale shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor. The terms and conditions of any sale under this subsection shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer, and the Issuer shall not be liable to any Person having an interest in the Preference Shares sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of such discretion.

Any Holder that becomes a Non-Permitted Holder or a Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor or any Holder who has made an ERISA-related representation required by this Annex A that was at the time made, or has subsequently become, false or misleading, must immediately give written notice to the Issuer of such event. Any Holder of Preference Shares that proposes or attempts a transfer that would result in the holding of Preference Shares by a Non-Permitted Holder or that the Holder knows or has reason to know would result in the holding of Preference Shares by a Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor, must give at least 15 days prior written notice to the Issuer of such proposed transfer. In any case, the notifying party must provide the Issuer such information as it may request in order to determine the effect, if any, of such event on the Issuer with respect to its compliance with the Securities Act, the Investment Company Act, ERISA and the Code.

#### Section 11. Return of Undistributed Payments.

Except as otherwise required by applicable law, any monies deposited with the Preference Shares Paying Agent and held in the Preference Shares Distribution Account or otherwise held for any payment with respect to the Preference Shares and remaining unclaimed for two years after such amounts have become payable shall be paid to the Issuer on Issuer Request; and the Holder of such Preference Shares shall thereafter look only to the Issuer for payment of such amounts and all liability of the Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such Money (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Issuer) shall thereupon cease. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, before being required to make any such release of payment, may, but shall not be required to, adopt and employ, at the expense of the Issuer, any reasonable means of notification of such release of payment, including, but not limited to, mailing notice to Holders whose right to or interest in such unclaimed monies is determinable from the records of the Preference Shares Paying Agent or Share Registrar at the last address of record of each such Holder.



## Section 12. Disclosure of Tax Treatment.

In order to ensure the Holders' and beneficial owners' acquisition of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents are not treated as offered under conditions of confidentiality, the Holders and beneficial owners of the Preference Shares (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) are hereby permitted to disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions contemplated by the Preference Share Documents (including the ownership and disposition of the Preference Shares). For this purpose, the tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction, and the tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction.

## Section 13. Certain Tax Matters.

The Issuer and each Holder and each beneficial owner of a Preference Share, by acceptance of its Preference Share, or its interest in a Preference Share, shall be deemed to have agreed to treat, and shall treat, such Preference Share as equity of the Issuer and the Notes as debt of the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes.

The Issuer will make an election to be treated as a partnership, and will take all necessary actions to maintain its status as a partnership (or, if the Issuer is treated as owned by one person, as a disregarded entity of such person) for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

The Issuer shall file, or cause to be filed, any tax return, including information tax returns, required by any governmental authority; provided, however, that the Issuer shall not file, or cause to be filed, any income or franchise tax return in any state of the United States unless it shall have obtained an Opinion of Counsel from a tax counsel of nationally recognized standing experienced in such matters prior to such filing that, under the laws of such jurisdiction, the Issuer is required to file such income or franchise tax return.

Each Holder and beneficial owner of a Preference Share, by acceptance of its Preference Share or its interest in a Preference Share, shall be deemed to understand and acknowledge that failure to provide the Issuer, the Trustee or the Preference Shares Paying Agent with the applicable U.S. federal income tax certifications (generally, a United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 (or successor applicable form) in the case of a person that is a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code or an appropriate United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 (or successor applicable form) in the case of a person that is not a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) may result in U.S. federal withholding from payments in respect of such Preference Share and the Issuer will have the unconditional right to cause such Holder to sell any and all Preference Shares to the Issuer or to a person chosen by the Issuer or the Issuer's agent on such terms as the Issuer may choose.

The Issuer will provide or cause to be provided to each Holder or beneficial owner of the Preference Shares (or its designee), upon written request therefor, any information

that such Holder or beneficial owner reasonably requests to assist such Holder or beneficial owner with regard to its or its equity owners' U.S. federal income tax filing requirements.

The Issuer will cause the Independent accountants to make a determination as to whether a Holder's investment in the Preference Shares has become a "reportable transaction" as described in Treasury Regulation Section 1.6011-4 because, after the Closing Date, the Issuer entered into a transaction whereby the Issuer recognized a significant loss or otherwise. If the Holder's investment in the Preference Shares has become such a "reportable transaction," then the Issuer shall provide to Holders of Preference Shares any information available to it which may be reasonably necessary for such Holders of Preference Shares to comply with any disclosure requirements under Section 6011 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder with respect to its investment in the Preference Shares.

The Issuer shall not become the owner of any asset if the ownership or disposition of such asset (without regard to the other activities of the Issuer) would cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes, it being understood that the purchase of Collateral Obligations pursuant to the acquisition standards set forth in the Collateral Acquisition Agreement will not be deemed to cause the Issuer to be engaged in a trade or business with the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

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**FORM OF PREFERENCE SHARE CERTIFICATE**

**GRAYSON CLO, LTD.**

PREFERENCE SHARES, PAR VALUE \$0.01 PER SHARE

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “**SECURITIES ACT**”), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**”). THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER (“**QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT (IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE PREFERENCE SHARES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A) WHO IS ALSO A QUALIFIED PURCHASER (“**QUALIFIED PURCHASER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER) AND THAT (1) HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (2) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS AND (3) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE, (B) IN EACH CASE, IN A NUMBER OF NOT LESS THAN 100 PREFERENCE SHARES FOR THE PURCHASER AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY BE PURCHASED BY OR TRANSFERRED TO A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR CONTROLLING PERSON (EACH AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) ONLY UPON THE SATISFACTION OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID AB INITIO, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE

TRANSFeree, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL ANY PREFERENCE SHARES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS OR NON-PERMITTED BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS (AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER AND ANY PAYING AGENT, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE SERVICER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY.

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY NOT BE ACQUIRED OR HELD BY (I) ANY "EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(3) OF THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA") THAT IS SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA, (II) ANY "PLAN" DESCRIBED BY SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE") THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, OR (III) ANY ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE "PLAN ASSETS" OF ANY PLAN DESCRIBED IN (I) OR (II) BY REASON OF A PLAN'S INVESTMENT IN SUCH ENTITY (EACH OF (I), (II) AND (III), A "BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR"), EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

**GRAYSON CLO, LTD.**

Number [P] [S] -

CUSIP NO.:

xxxxx Preference Shares

Existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands  
**US\$1,525** divided into 250 Ordinary Shares  
of a nominal par value of **US\$1.00** each  
and 127,500 Preference Shares of a nominal or par value of **US\$0.01** each

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT

**XXX**

is the registered Holder of

**- XXX Preference Shares -**

in the above-named Company subject to the Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association thereof

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED BY the said Company on this [\_\_\_\_]th day of [\_\_\_\_], 2006.  
EXECUTED on behalf of the said Company by:

DIRECTOR\_\_\_\_\_

**FORM OF TRANSFeree CERTIFICATE FOR PREFERENCE SHARES**

Grayson CLO, Ltd.  
P.O. Box 1234  
Queensgate House  
South Church Street  
George Town  
Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands

Investors Bank & Trust Company  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent

[\_\_\_\_\_]

Attention: [\_\_\_\_\_]

Re: Grayson CLO, Ltd.  
Preference Shares, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share

Dear Sirs:

Reference is hereby made to the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association (the "**Articles**") and certain resolutions adopted at a meeting of the Issuer's Board of Directors on or about November 30, 2006 (the "**Resolutions**"), as reflected in the minutes thereof. Reference is also made to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of November 30, 2006 (the "**Agreement**") by and between Grayson CLO, Ltd., as Issuer and Investors Bank & Trust Company, as Preference Shares Paying Agent. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings set forth in the Resolutions, including Annex A thereto ("**Annex A**"), and if not defined in the Resolutions, in the Offering Memorandum.

This certificate relates to \_\_\_\_\_ Preference Shares which are to be transferred to the undersigned transferee (the "**purchaser**") pursuant to Section 5(b) of Annex A.

1. The purchaser hereby represents, warrants and covenants for the benefit of the Issuer that the transfer has been effected in accordance with the transfer restrictions set forth in Section 5(b) of Annex A and the Offering Memorandum, dated [\_\_\_\_], 2006 (the "**Offering Memorandum**") relating to the Preference Shares and that:

(1) The purchaser hereby certifies that it is a Qualified Institutional Buyer as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act and a Qualified Purchaser for purposes of the Investment Company Act; and

(2) The Purchaser is aware that the sale of the Preference Shares to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements under the Securities Act and it is acquiring the Preference Shares for its own account in a number not less than the minimum lot.



2. The purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in the Preference Shares, and the purchaser is able to bear the economic risk of its investment.

3. The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Preference Shares have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Preference Shares, such Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the legend in respect of such Preference Shares set forth in clause (11) below and the restrictions set forth in the Preference Share Documents. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Issuer, the Servicer or the Initial Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Preference Shares.

4. The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Preference Shares or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Preference Share Documents, to which provisions the purchaser hereby agrees it is subject.

5. The purchaser is not purchasing the Preference Shares with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. It has read and understood the Offering Memorandum, including, without limitation, the “Risk Factors” section therein. The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares will be highly illiquid and are not suitable for short-term trading. The Preference Shares are a leveraged investment in the Collateral Obligations that may expose the Preference Shares to disproportionately large changes in value. Payments in respect of the Preference Shares are not guaranteed as they are dependent on the performance of the Issuer’s portfolio of Collateral Obligations. The purchaser understands that it is possible that, due to the structure of the transaction and the performance of the Issuer’s portfolio of Collateral Obligations, dividends or other distributions in respect of the Preference Shares may be reduced or eliminated entirely. Furthermore, the Preference Shares constitute equity in the Issuer, are not secured by the Collateral and will rank behind all creditors (secured and unsecured and whether known or unknown) of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the Holders of the Notes, and any Hedge Counterparties. The Issuer has assets limited to the Collateral for payment of all Classes of the Notes and dividends and other distributions on the Preference Shares, and the Preference Shares bear, *pro rata*, the first risk of loss. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Preference Shares involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of all or a substantial part of its investment. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Issuer, the Preference Shares and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Preference Shares, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Issuer and the Initial Purchaser.

6. (i) None of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer is acting as a fiduciary or

financial or investment advisor for the purchaser, (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates other than in the Offering Memorandum and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other Person or documentation for the Preference Shares) any assurance, guarantee or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance, result, effect, consequence or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting or otherwise) of the Preference Shares or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the documentation for the Preference Shares) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Preference Shares reflect those in the relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) the purchaser is purchasing the Preference Shares with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (vii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

7. (A) The purchaser is (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, (B) the purchaser is acquiring the Preference Shares as principal for its own account (and not for the account of any family or other trust, any family member or any other person) for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (C) the purchaser was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Preference Shares (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser is a Qualified Purchaser), (D) to the extent the purchaser is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, the purchaser has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (E) the purchaser is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (F) the purchaser is not a pension, profit-sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners beneficiaries or participants or affiliates may designate the particular investment to be made, (G) the purchaser agrees that it shall not hold such Preference Shares for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Preference Shares or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or other distributions on the Preference Shares (except when each such other Person is (i) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (ii) a Qualified Purchaser) and (H) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Preference Shares to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph shall be null and void *ab initio*.

8. The purchaser understands that, prior to any sale or other transfer of any interest in a Preference Share, it (or the transferee, as applicable) will be required to provide to the Issuer

and Preference Shares Paying Agent a duly executed transfer certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B attached to Annex A and such other certificates and other information as they may reasonably require to confirm that the proposed transfer complies with the restrictions in the legend placed on each certificate representing the Preference Shares and in the Preference Share Documents.

9. The purchaser understands and agrees that (i) no purchase or transfer may be made that would result in any person or entity holding beneficial ownership in any Preference Shares in less than an authorized number as set forth in Annex A and (ii) no purchase or transfer of Preference Shares that would have the effect of requiring either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral to register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act will be permitted.

10. The purchaser understands and agrees that no purchase or transfer of Preference Shares (i) to a purchaser or transferee that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor (as defined in Section 3(42) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended “ERISA”) or a Controlling Person (as defined below) will be effective, and the Issuer or the Share Registrar will not recognize or register such purchase or transfer, if such purchase or transfer would result in Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares (determined pursuant to Section 3(42) of ERISA, 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 and the Preference Share Documents) or (ii) will be permitted if such purchase or transfer will result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of Code (as defined below) (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law). The Purchaser further understands and agrees that any transfer in violation of the applicable provisions of the Preference Share Documents will be null and void *ab initio*. For purposes of the 25% determination described in the first sentence of this clause (10), the Preference Shares held by the Trustee, the Servicer, any of their respective affiliates (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) and any other persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding. The Purchaser’s acquisition, holding and disposition of the Preference Shares will not result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law), because such purchase, holding or acquisition either (a) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (b) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all conditions of which are and will be satisfied throughout its holding of such Preference Shares. The Purchaser and any fiduciary or Person causing it to acquire the Preference Shares agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Servicer and their respective affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of a breach of the representations set forth in this clause (10) and clause (12) below. If the Purchaser is an insurance company investing through its general account as defined in United States Department of Labor (“DOL”) Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption (“PTCE”) 95-60, for so long as it holds the Preference Shares, such Purchaser represents that the percentage of assets of such insurance company general account that may be treated as “plan assets” under ERISA and the Code will always remain below 25% (as determined pursuant to ERISA and the Code).

11. The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares (a) will be represented by one or more Preference Share certificates which will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Issuer determines otherwise in accordance with applicable law, and (b) may only be resold, pledged or transferred to Qualified Institutional Buyers who are also (x) Qualified Purchasers or (y) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers. The purchaser understands that before the Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred, the transferee will be required to provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Issuer with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “**SECURITIES ACT**”), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**”). THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER (“**QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT (IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE PREFERENCE SHARES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A) WHO IS ALSO A QUALIFIED PURCHASER (“**QUALIFIED PURCHASER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER) AND THAT (1) HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (2) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS AND (3) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE, (B) IN EACH CASE, IN A NUMBER OF NOT LESS THAN 100 PREFERENCE SHARES FOR THE PURCHASER AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY BE PURCHASED BY OR TRANSFERRED TO A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR CONTROLLING PERSON (EACH AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) ONLY UPON THE SATISFACTION OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID AB

INITIO, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL ANY PREFERENCE SHARES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS OR NON-PERMITTED BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS (AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER AND ANY PAYING AGENT, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE SERVICER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A “UNITED STATES PERSON” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A “UNITED STATES PERSON” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY.

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY NOT BE ACQUIRED OR HELD BY (I) ANY “EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(3) OF THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED (“**ERISA**”) THAT IS SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA, (II) ANY “PLAN” DESCRIBED BY SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE “**CODE**”) THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, OR (III) ANY ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE “PLAN ASSETS” OF ANY PLAN DESCRIBED IN (I) OR (II) BY REASON OF A PLAN’S INVESTMENT IN SUCH ENTITY (EACH OF (I), (II) AND (III), A “BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR”), EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

12. The funds that the purchaser is using or will use to purchase the Preference Shares are assets of a person who is or at any time while the Preference Shares are held by the purchaser will be (A) an “employee benefit plan” as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA that is subject to Title I of ERISA, (B) a “plan” described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “**Code**”) that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code or (C) an entity whose underlying assets would be deemed to include “plan assets” of either of the foregoing by reason of the investment by an employee benefit plan or other plan in the entity within the meaning of Section 3(42) of ERISA or 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 (the plans and persons described in clauses (A), (B) and (C) being referred to as “**Benefit Plan Investors**”).

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ (Please check either yes or no).

If yes, such funds are assets of an employee benefit plan subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA or a plan described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code and subject to Section 4975 of the Code.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ (Please check either yes or no).

The purchaser is not the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or any other person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer, or any "affiliate" (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3 101(f)(3)) of any such person (any such person, a "Controlling Person"). **Please place a check in the following space if the foregoing statement is NOT accurate:** \_\_\_\_\_.

If the purchaser is an entity that holds plan assets, no more than \_\_\_\_% of the assets of such entity could be treated as plan assets for purposes of calculating the 25% threshold under the significant participation test. The purchaser will promptly notify the Issuer if this percentage changes. **(Please provide percentage, if applicable).**

If the purchaser is an insurance company investing through its general account as defined in PTCE 95-60, for so long as it holds the Preference Shares, no more than \_\_\_\_% of the assets of such insurance company general account could be treated, for so long as it holds the Preference Shares, as plan assets for purposes of Section 3(42) of ERISA. The purchaser will promptly notify the Issuer if this percentage changes. **(Please provide percentage, if applicable).**

The purchaser understands and acknowledges that the Share Registrar will not register any purchase or transfer of Preference Shares to a proposed purchaser or transferee that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person if, after giving effect to such proposed transfer, persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors would own 25% or more of the outstanding amount of the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares. For purposes of the 25% determination described in clause (i) of the preceding sentence, Preference Shares held by the Trustee, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, any of their respective affiliates (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3 101(f)(3)) and any other persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding.

The purchaser's acquisition, holding and disposition of the Preference Shares will not result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law), unless an exemption is available, all conditions of which have been satisfied.

The purchaser further acknowledges and agrees that the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement will entitle the Issuer to require the purchaser to dispose of the Preference Shares as soon as practicable following notification by the Issuer of any change in the information supplied in this clause (12).

The purchaser understands that the representations made in this clause (12) will be deemed made on each day from the date hereof through and including the date on which the purchaser disposes of its interests in the Preference Shares.

The purchaser agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Initial Purchaser and the Servicer and their respective affiliates from any cost, damage, or loss incurred by them as a result of a breach of the representation in this clause (12).

The purchaser agrees that it will not sell, pledge or otherwise transfer any Preference Shares in violation of the foregoing.

13. The purchaser will provide notice to each Person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Preference Shares of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Preference Share Documents, including the exhibits referenced in the Preference Share Documents.

14. The purchaser understands that the Preference Share Documents permit the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Preference Shares who is a U.S. Person and who is determined not to have been both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser at the time of acquisition of the Preference Shares to sell such Preference Shares, or to sell such Preference Shares on behalf of such purchaser, to a Person that is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act.

15. The beneficial owner, if not a U.S. Person, either (i) is not a bank (within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code) or (ii) is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States. The beneficial owner is not purchasing the Preference Shares in order to reduce its United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan.

16. The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Preference Shares. The purchaser further acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Securities in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the Offering Memorandum relating to the Preference Shares shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Preference Shares in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

17. The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Preference Shares, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase Preference Shares from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof (or, with respect to any Preference Shares held by Investors Corp., to

purchase the Holding Preference Shares from any Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder thereof), in each case, at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder or Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder will be required to sell such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be, to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

18. The purchaser understands that the scheduled redemption date of the Preference Shares is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of the Preference Shares at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

19. The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Preference Shares by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

20. The beneficial owner will agree to treat, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, (a) the Preference Shares as equity of the Issuer, (b) the Notes as indebtedness of the Issuer and (c) the Issuer as a partnership (except to the extent the Issuer can no longer be treated as a partnership as a result of any election by the Issuer, changes in ownership of the Issuer or changes in the manner in which the equity of the Issuer is traded). The beneficial owner will be deemed to have acknowledged that the Issuer is not authorized to engage in activities that could cause it to constitute a finance or lending business for U.S. federal income tax purposes and agrees that it will report its investment in Preference Shares consistent with such limitation.

21. To the extent required, as determined by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Preference Shares to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the U.S. Patriot Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Preference Share to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

22. The purchaser agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

23. The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

24. The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer has the right pursuant to Section 6 of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement to issue additional Preference Shares.

25. The purchaser understands that, to the extent required, as determined by the Co-Issuers, the Co-Issuers may amend the Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer only, the Preference Share Documents, without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders



of the Securities that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7 if, at any time following the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers elect to rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7).

26. The purchaser understands that the Issuer may enter into amendments or modifications to the Servicing Agreement without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities.

27. The purchaser agrees to provide (and agrees it will cause any subsequent transferee of its Preference Shares to provide) the Share Registrar (1) appropriate documentation required under the Code and the applicable Treasury regulations establishing that the beneficial owner of the Preference Shares to be transferred is either a non-U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-8BEN or an IRS Form W-8IMY with appropriate attachments) or a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-9) and (2) if such beneficial owner is treated as a partnership, S-corporation or grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a written representation from such beneficial owner that (i) there will not be any interests in such beneficial owner where substantially all of the value of such interest is attributable to the value of the Preference Shares proposed to be transferred to such beneficial owner, together with the value of any Class D Notes, Holding Preference Shares and Preference Shares already held by such beneficial owner and (ii) such beneficial owner is not a part of any arrangement a principal purpose of which is to cause the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares to be treated as owned by 100 persons or less within the meaning of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h). The purchaser agrees to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form and other certificate in each of the following circumstances: (i) no later than 120 days prior to the expiration (if applicable) of the last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate, (ii) upon any change of circumstance that would cause that the last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate to be incorrect and (iii) upon a request by the Issuer or the Share Registrar. The purchaser agrees that if it fails to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form or other certificate no later than 120 days prior to the expiration of the last previously provided U.S. tax form or, if earlier, within the time specified in any request by the Issuer or the Share Registrar (which shall not be less than 30 days), the Issuer will have the unconditional right to cause such purchaser to sell any and all Preference Shares to the Issuer or to a person chosen by the Issuer or the Issuer’s agent on such terms as the Issuer may choose. For this purpose, an IRS Form W-8IMY (or any successor form thereto) will be deemed to expire upon the expiration of any withholding statement or U.S. tax forms associated with such IRS Form W-8IMY.

28. The purchaser understands and agrees that the Issuer will not recognize any transfers of Preference Shares if the proposed transfer will cause the Issuer to have either (a) exactly one beneficial owner or (b) more than ninety-nine beneficial owners (as determined for purposes of the provisions of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h)) of its Class D Notes and its Preference Shares unless, in the case of clause (b), it receives the consent of all of the Holders of the Preference Shares and an opinion of counsel to the effect that Holders of the Notes will not recognize gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such transfer, and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such transfer had not been made.

29. The purchaser represents that it has not acquired the Preference Shares pursuant to a trade on an “established securities market” and agrees that it will not trade any Preference Shares on an “established securities market.” For this purpose, the term “established securities market” includes any national securities exchange registered under Section 6 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or exempted from registration because of the limited volume of transaction; any foreign securities exchange that, under the laws of the jurisdiction where it is organized, satisfies regulatory requirements that are analogous to the regulatory requirements imposed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; any regional or local exchange; and any interdealer quotation system that regularly disseminates firm buy or sell quotations by identified brokers or dealers, by electronic means or otherwise. The purchaser understands and agrees that in the event that the purchaser acquires or trades the Preference Shares on an established securities market, as described above, the Issuer will not recognize any transfers of Preference Shares made pursuant to such acquisition or trade.

30. The purchaser is\_\_\_ / is not\_\_\_ (check one) Highland Financial Partners, L.P. or any of its subsidiaries.

31. The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Preference Shares or any beneficial interest therein are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Issuer, the Servicer and the Initial Purchaser.

THIS LETTER SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the undersigned has executed this Preference Share Transferee Certificate on the date set forth below.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 200\_\_

**Number of Preference Shares subscribed for (at a purchase price of U.S.\$1,000 per share):**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Aggregate purchase price of the Preference Shares subscribed for:**  
U.S.\$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Purchaser

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Authorized Signatory

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Authorized Signatory

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Title of Authorized Signatory

**Please remember to give the Preference Shares Paying Agent the proper U.S. federal income tax certifications or else the Preference Shares Paying Agent may have to withhold part of any payment due and payable to you.**

(1) the name and address of the registered Holder of the Preference Shares is:

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- (2) the wire/payment instructions for the registered Holder of the Preference Shares are:

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## **EXHIBIT Z**

**EXECUTION COPY**

**SERVICING AGREEMENT**

This Servicing Agreement, dated as of November 30, 2006 is entered into by and among GRAYSON CLO LTD., an exempted company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands, with its registered office located at the offices of Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited, P.O. Box 1234, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands (together with successors and assigns permitted hereunder, the "Issuer"), and HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, with its principal offices located at Two Galleria Tower, 13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300, Dallas, Texas 75240, as servicer ("Highland" or, in such capacity, the "Servicer").

**WITNESSETH:**

WHEREAS, the Issuer and GRAYSON CLO CORP. (the "Co-Issuer" and together with the Issuer, the "Co-Issuers") intend to issue U.S.\$1,015,000,000 of their Class A-1a Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2021 (the "Class A-1a Notes"), U.S.\$111,500,000 of their Class A-1b Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2021 (the "Class A-1b Notes" and, together with the Class A-1a Notes, the "Class A-1 Notes"), U.S.\$68,000,000 of their Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2021 (the "Class A-2 Notes" and, together with the Class A-1 Notes, the "Class A Notes"), U.S.\$72,000,000 of their Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due 2021 (the "Class B Notes") and U.S.\$75,000,000 of their Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due 2021 (the "Class C Notes" and, together with the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes, the "Senior Notes") and the Issuer will individually issue U.S.\$31,000,000 of its Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due 2021 (the "Class D Notes" and together with the Senior Notes, the "Notes") pursuant to the Indenture dated as of November 30, 2006 (the "Indenture"), among the Co-Issuers and Investors Bank & Trust Company, as trustee (the "Trustee") and 52,500 Class I Preference Shares, \$0.01 par value (the "Class I Preference Shares") and 75,000 Class II Preference Shares, \$0.01 par value (the "Class II Preference Shares" and, together with the Class I Preference Shares, the "Preference Shares" and, together with the Notes, the "Securities") pursuant to the Preference Share Documents;

WHEREAS, the Issuer intends to pledge certain Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments and Cash (all as defined in the Indenture) and certain other assets (all as set forth in the Indenture) (collectively, the "Collateral") to the Trustee as security for the Notes;

WHEREAS, the Issuer wishes to enter into this Servicing Agreement, pursuant to which the Servicer agrees to perform, on behalf of the Issuer, certain duties with respect to the Collateral in the manner and on the terms set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the Servicer has the capacity to provide the services required hereby and is prepared to perform such services upon the terms and conditions set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements herein set forth, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Definitions.

Terms used herein and not defined below shall have the meanings set forth in the Indenture.

“Advisers Act” shall mean the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended.

“Agreement” shall mean this Servicing Agreement, as amended from time to time.

“Governing Instruments” shall mean the memorandum, articles or certificate of incorporation or association and by-laws, if applicable, in the case of a corporation; the certificate of formation, if applicable, or the partnership agreement, in the case of a partnership; or the certificate of formation, if applicable, or the limited liability company agreement, in the case of a limited liability company.

“HFP” shall mean collectively, Highland Financial Partners, L.P. and any subsidiary thereof.

“Independent Advisor” shall have the meaning specified in Section IV.B. of the Collateral Acquisition Agreement.

“Offering Memorandum” shall mean the Offering Memorandum of the Issuer dated November 28, 2006 prepared in connection with the offering of the Securities.

“Servicer Breaches” shall have the meaning specified in Section 10(a).

“Special Procedures Obligation” shall have the meaning specified in Section IV.A. of the Collateral Acquisition Agreement.

2. General Duties of the Servicer.

(a) The Servicer shall provide services to the Issuer as follows:

(i) Subject to and in accordance with the terms the Indenture and this Agreement, the Servicer shall supervise and direct the administration, acquisition and disposition of the Collateral, and shall perform on behalf of the Issuer those duties and obligations of the Servicer required by the Indenture and this Agreement, and including the furnishing of orders, requests and officer’s certificates, and such certifications as are required of the Servicer under the Indenture with respect to permitted purchases and sales of the Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments and other assets, and other matters, and, to the extent necessary or appropriate to perform such duties, the Servicer shall have the power to execute and deliver all necessary and appropriate documents and instruments on behalf of the Issuer with respect thereto. The Servicer shall, subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the Indenture, perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder with reasonable care and in good faith, using a degree of skill and attention no less than that which the Servicer exercises with respect to comparable assets that it services or manages for others having similar objectives and restrictions, and in a manner consistent with practices and procedures followed by institutional servicers

or managers of national standing relating to assets of the nature and character of the Collateral for clients having similar objectives and restrictions, except as expressly provided otherwise in this Agreement and/or the Indenture. To the extent not inconsistent with the foregoing, the Servicer shall follow its customary standards, policies and procedures in performing its duties under the Indenture and hereunder. The Servicer shall comply with all terms and conditions of the Indenture affecting the duties and functions to be performed hereunder. The Servicer shall not be bound to follow any amendment to the Indenture until it has received written notice thereof and until it has received a copy of the amendment from the Issuer or the Trustee; provided, however, that the Servicer shall not be bound by any amendment to the Indenture that affects the rights, powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer unless the Servicer shall have consented thereto in writing. The Issuer agrees that it shall not permit any amendment to the Indenture that (x) affects the rights, powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer or (y) affects the amount or priority of any fees payable to the Servicer to become effective unless the Servicer has been given prior written notice of such amendment and consented thereto in writing;

(ii) the Servicer shall select any Collateral which shall be acquired by the Issuer pursuant to the Indenture in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria;

(iii) the Servicer shall monitor the Collateral on an ongoing basis and provide to the Issuer all reports, certificates, schedules and other data with respect to the Collateral which the Issuer is required to prepare and deliver under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement, in the form and containing all information required thereby and in reasonable time for the Issuer to review such required reports, certificates, schedules and data and to deliver them to the parties entitled thereto under the Indenture; the Servicer shall undertake to determine to the extent reasonably practicable whether a Collateral Obligation has become a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; and the Servicer shall monitor any Hedge Agreements and direct the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer in respect of all actions to be taken thereunder by the Issuer;

(iv) the Servicer, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture may, at any time permitted under the Indenture, and shall, when required by the Indenture, direct the Trustee to (x) dispose of a Collateral Obligation, Equity Security or Eligible Investment or other securities received in respect thereof in the open market or otherwise, (y) acquire, as security for the Notes in substitution for or in addition to any one or more Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments included in the Collateral, one or more substitute Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments, or (z) direct the Trustee to take the following actions with respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment:

- (1) retain such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment;
- or
- (2) if applicable, tender such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment pursuant to an Offer; or
- (3) if applicable, consent to any proposed amendment, modification or waiver pursuant to an Offer; or



(4) retain or dispose of any securities or other property (if other than Cash) received pursuant to an Offer; or

(5) waive any default with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or

(6) vote to accelerate the maturity of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or

(7) exercise any other rights or remedies with respect to such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment as provided in the related Underlying Instruments, including in connection with any workout situations, or take any other action consistent with the terms of the Indenture which is in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities;

(v) subject to and in accordance with the terms of the Indenture and this Agreement, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall determine whether to enter into any additional hedging arrangements, increase or reduce the notional amounts of existing Hedge Agreements or terminate existing Hedge Agreements, and the Servicer shall use its reasonable efforts to cause the Issuer, promptly following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) and to the extent possible through application of funds received as a result of the early termination (including the proceeds of the liquidation of any collateral pledged by the hedge counterparty), to enter into a replacement Hedge Agreement;

(vi) the Servicer shall on or prior to any day which is a Redemption Date, direct the Trustee to enter into contracts to dispose of the Collateral Obligations and any other Collateral pursuant to the Indenture and otherwise comply with all redemption procedures and certification requirements in the Indenture in order to allow the Trustee to effect such redemption; and

(vii) if the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, desires to make distributions of Eligible Equity Securities on any Payment Date pursuant to Section 2(e) of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Servicer shall so notify the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent and provide the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of the Preference Shares with respect to the applicable Record Date) details of such Eligible Equity Securities in accordance with the procedure set forth in Section 3(b) of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

(b) In performing its duties hereunder, the Servicer shall seek to preserve the value of the Collateral for the benefit of the Holders of the Securities taking into account the collateral criteria and limitations set forth herein and in the Indenture and the Servicer shall use reasonable efforts to select and service the Collateral in such a way that will permit a timely performance of all payment obligations by the Issuer under the Indenture; provided, that the Servicer shall not be responsible if such objectives are not achieved so long as the Servicer performs its duties under this Agreement in the manner provided for herein, and provided, further, that there shall be no recourse to the Servicer with respect to the Notes or the Preference Shares. The Servicer and the Issuer shall take such other action, and furnish such certificates, opinions and other documents, as may be reasonably requested by the other party hereto in order to effectuate the purposes of this Agreement and to facilitate compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the terms of this Agreement.

(c) The Servicer hereby agrees to the following:

(i) The Servicer agrees not to institute against, or join any other Person in instituting against, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation proceedings or other proceedings under federal or state bankruptcy or similar laws of any jurisdiction until at least one year and one day (or if longer, any applicable preference period plus one day) after the payment in full of all Notes issued under the Indenture; provided, however, that nothing in this clause (i) shall preclude, or be deemed to estop, the Servicer (A) from taking any action prior to the expiration of such period in (x) any case or proceeding voluntarily filed or commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, or (y) any involuntary insolvency proceeding filed or commenced against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, by a Person other than the Servicer, or (B) from commencing against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any properties of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any legal action which is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium, liquidation or similar proceeding.

(ii) The Servicer shall cause each sale or purchase of any Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investment to be conducted on an arm's-length basis.

(iii) The Servicer shall notify the Trustee, the Share Registrar and the Holding Share Registrar of any Affiliate of the Servicer that owns the Securities or the Holding Preference Shares.

(iv) The Servicer and/or its Affiliates (other than HFP) will purchase Class D Notes having an aggregate principal amount equal to U.S.\$16,000,000, the Servicer and/or its Affiliates (other than HFP) will purchase Holding Preferences Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$20,000,000 and the Servicer and/or its Affiliates will purchase Class II Preferences Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$75,000,000.

(d) The Servicer shall not act for the Issuer in any capacity except as provided in this Section 2. In providing services hereunder, the Servicer may employ third parties, including its Affiliates, to render advice (including advice with respect to the servicing of the Collateral) and assistance; provided, however, that the Servicer shall not be relieved of any of its duties or liabilities hereunder regardless of the performance of any services by third parties. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Servicer shall not be required to take any action required of it pursuant to this Agreement or the Indenture if such action would constitute a violation of any law.

(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement or the Indenture, (i) any granted signatory powers or authority granted to the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer with respect to the Special Procedures Obligations shall be conditioned upon the prior written approval of the Independent Advisor and (ii) neither the Servicer nor any Affiliate of the Servicer shall have any authority to enter into agreements, or take any action, on behalf of the Issuer with respect to the Special Procedures Obligations without the prior written approval of the Independent Advisor.

3. Brokerage.

The Servicer shall seek to obtain the best prices and execution for all orders placed with respect to the Collateral, considering all reasonable circumstances. Subject to the objective of obtaining best prices and execution, the Servicer may take into consideration research and other brokerage services furnished to the Servicer or its Affiliates by brokers and dealers which are not Affiliates of the Servicer. Such services may be used by the Servicer or its Affiliates in connection with its other servicing or advisory activities or operations. The Servicer may aggregate sales and purchase orders of securities placed with respect to the Collateral with similar orders being made simultaneously for other accounts serviced or managed by Servicer or with accounts of the Affiliates of the Servicer, if in the Servicer's reasonable judgment such aggregation shall result in an overall economic benefit to the Issuer, taking into consideration the advantageous selling or purchase price, brokerage commission and other expenses. In the event that a sale or purchase of a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment (in accordance with the terms of the Indenture) occurs as part of any aggregate sales or purchase orders, the objective of the Servicer (and any of its Affiliates involved in such transactions) shall be to allocate the executions among the accounts in an equitable manner and consistent with its obligations hereunder and under applicable law.

In addition to the foregoing and subject to the provisions of Section 2 and the limitations of Section 5, the objective of obtaining best prices and execution and to the extent permitted by applicable law, the Servicer may, on behalf of the Issuer, direct the Trustee to acquire any and all of the Eligible Investments or other Collateral from, or sell Collateral Obligations or other Collateral to, the Placement Agents, the Trustee or any of their respective Affiliates, or any other firm.

4. Additional Activities of the Servicer.

Nothing herein shall prevent the Servicer or any of its Affiliates from engaging in other businesses, or from rendering services of any kind to the Trustee, the Holders of the Securities, or any other Person or entity to the extent permitted by applicable law. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, the Servicer and partners, directors, officers, employees and agents of the Servicer or its Affiliates may, among other things, and subject to any limits specified in the Indenture:

(a) serve as directors (whether supervisory or managing), officers, partners, employees, agents, nominees or signatories for any issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates, to the extent permitted by their Governing Instruments, as from time to time amended, or by any resolutions duly adopted by the Issuer, its Affiliates or any issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates, pursuant to their respective Governing Instruments; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on any item of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Collateral Quality Test; provided, further, that nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to limit the duties of the Servicer set forth in Section 2 hereof;

(b) receive fees for services of any nature rendered to the issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on any item of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Collateral Quality Test; and provided, further that if any portion of such services are related to the purchase by the Issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral, the portion of such fees relating to such obligations shall be applied to the purchase price of such obligations; and

(c) be a secured or unsecured creditor of, or hold an equity interest in, the Issuer, its Affiliates or any issuer of any obligation included in the Collateral; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on any item of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Collateral Quality Test; provided, further, that nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to limit the duties of the Servicer set forth in Section 2 hereof.

It is understood that the Servicer and any of its Affiliates may engage in any other business and furnish servicing, investment management and advisory services to others, including Persons which may have policies similar to those followed by the Servicer with respect to the Collateral and which may own securities of the same class, or which are the same type, as the Collateral Obligations or other securities of the issuers of Collateral Obligations. The Servicer shall be free, in its sole discretion, to make recommendations to others, or effect transactions on behalf of itself or for others, which may be the same as or different from those effected with respect to the Collateral.

Unless the Servicer determines in its reasonable judgment that such purchase or sale is appropriate, the Servicer may refrain from directing the purchase or sale hereunder of securities issued by (i) Persons of which the Servicer, its Affiliates or any of its or their officers, directors or employees are directors or officers, (ii) Persons for which the Servicer or its Affiliate act as financial adviser or underwriter or (iii) Persons about which the Servicer or any of its Affiliates have information which the Servicer deems confidential or non-public or otherwise might prohibit it from trading such securities in accordance with applicable law. The Servicer shall not be obligated to pursue any particular strategy or opportunity with respect to the Collateral.

#### 5. Conflicts of Interest.

(a) The Servicer shall not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Servicer such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Servicer, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the Advisers Act.

(b) The Servicer shall not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Servicer, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Advisers Act.

(c) The Servicer shall not undertake any transaction described in this Section 5 unless such transaction is exempt from the prohibited transaction rules of ERISA and the Code. In addition, after the initial distribution of the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares, neither the Servicer nor any of its affiliates (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) shall acquire any Class D Notes or Preference Shares (including pursuant to the Extension Procedure or the Amendment Buy-Out Option) unless such acquisition would not, as determined by the Trustee in reliance on representations made in the applicable transfer certificates or other investor agreement with respect thereto or deemed made by holders thereof, result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of any of the Class D Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or

the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such acquisition (determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA, the Plan Asset Regulation, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents). The Class D Notes and the Preference Shares held as principal by the Servicer or any of its affiliates shall be disregarded and shall not be treated as outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% limitation to the extent that such person has represented that it is not a Benefit Plan Investor.

6. Records; Confidentiality.

The Servicer shall maintain appropriate books of account and records relating to services performed hereunder, and such books of account and records shall be accessible for inspection by a representative of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Holders of the Securities and the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to the Indenture at a mutually agreed time during normal business hours and upon not less than three Business Days' prior notice. At no time shall the Servicer make a public announcement concerning the issuance of the Notes or the Preference Shares, the Servicer's role hereunder or any other aspect of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the Indenture. The Servicer shall keep confidential any and all information obtained in connection with the services rendered hereunder and shall not disclose any such information to non-affiliated third parties except (i) with the prior written consent of the Issuer, (ii) such information as either Rating Agency shall reasonably request in connection with the rating of any class of Securities, (iii) as required by law, regulation, court order or the rules or regulations of any self regulating organization, body or official having jurisdiction over the Servicer, (iv) to its professional advisers, (v) such information as shall have been publicly disclosed other than in violation of this Agreement, or (vi) such information that was or is obtained by the Servicer on a non-confidential basis, provided, that the Servicer does not know or have reason to know of any breach by such source of any confidentiality obligations with respect thereto. For purposes of this Section 6, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator and the Holders of the Securities shall in no event be considered "non-affiliated third parties."

Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement or the Indenture to the contrary, the Servicer, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Holders of the Securities (and the beneficial owners thereof) (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) may disclose to any and all Persons, without limitation of any kind, the U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to them relating to such U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure, as such terms are defined under U.S. federal, state or local tax law.

7. Obligations of Servicer.

Unless otherwise specifically required by any provision of the Indenture or this Agreement or by applicable law, the Servicer shall use its best reasonable efforts to ensure that no action is taken by it, and shall not intentionally or with reckless disregard take any action, which would (a) materially adversely affect the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for purposes of Cayman Islands law, United States federal or state law or any other law known to the Servicer to be applicable to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, (b) not be permitted under the Issuer's or the Co-Issuer's respective governing instruments, (c) violate any law, rule or regulation of any governmental body or agency having jurisdiction over the Issuer or the Co-Issuer including, without limitation, any Cayman Islands or United States federal, state or other applicable securities law the violation of which has or could reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any of the Collateral, (d) require registration of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the pool of Collateral as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act, (e) cause the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to violate the terms of the Indenture, including, without limitation, any representations made by the Issuer or Co-Issuer therein, or any other agreement contemplated by the Indenture or (f) would subject the Issuer to U.S. federal or state net income or

franchise taxation. The Servicer covenants that it shall comply in all material respects with all laws and regulations applicable to it in connection with the performance of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, the Servicer shall not be required to take any action under this Agreement or the Indenture if such action would violate any applicable law, rule, regulation or court order.

8. Compensation.

(a) The Issuer shall pay to the Servicer, for services rendered and performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Servicing Fee, which shall be payable in such amounts and at such times as set forth in the Indenture. The provisions of the Indenture which relate to the amount and payment of the Servicing Fee shall not be amended without the written consent of the Servicer. If on any Payment Date there are insufficient funds to pay the Servicing Fee (and/or any other amounts due and payable to the Servicer) in full, the amount not so paid shall be deferred and shall be payable with accrued interest on such later Payment Date on which funds are available therefor as provided in the Indenture.

The Servicer hereby agrees to waive the Class II Preference Share Portion of the Servicing Fees deposited by the Trustee into the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account pursuant to the Indenture, which would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as Servicing Fees, on each Payment Date during the first two years following the Closing Date. After the two-year anniversary of the Closing Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive the Class II Preference Share Portion of its Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Issuer as Class II Preference Share Special Payments pursuant to the Indenture. For purposes of any calculation under this Agreement and the Indenture, the Servicer shall be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

In addition, notwithstanding anything set out above, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion: (i) waive all or any portion of the Servicing Fee, any funds representing the waived Servicing Fees to be retained in the Collection Account for distribution as either Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds (as determined by the Servicer) pursuant to the Priority of Payments; or (ii) defer all or any portion of the Servicing Fee, any funds representing the deferred Servicing Fees to be retained in the Collection Account, when they will become payable in the same manner and priority as their original characterization would have required unless deferred again.

(b) The Servicer shall be responsible for the ordinary expenses incurred in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement and the Indenture; provided, however, that any extraordinary expenses actually incurred by the Servicer in the performance of such obligations (including, but not limited to, any fees, expenses or other amounts payable to the Rating Agencies, the Collateral Administrator, the Trustee and the accountants appointed by the Issuer, the reasonable expenses incurred by the Servicer to employ outside lawyers or consultants reasonably necessary in connection with the evaluation, transfer or restructuring of any Collateral Obligations or other unusual matters arising in the performance of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture, any reasonable expenses incurred by the Servicer in obtaining advice from outside counsel with respect to its obligations under this Agreement, brokerage commissions, transfer fees, registration costs, taxes and other similar costs and transaction related expenses and fees arising out of transactions effected for the Issuer's account and the portion allocated to the Issuer of any other fees and expenses that the Servicer customarily allocates among all of the funds or portfolios that it services or manages) shall be reimbursed by the

Issuer to the extent funds are available therefor in accordance with and subject to the priority of payments and the other limitations contained in the Indenture.

(c) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 12, Section 14 or otherwise, the fees payable to the Servicer shall be prorated for any partial periods between Payment Dates during which this Agreement was in effect and shall be due and payable on the first Payment Date following the date of such termination and on any subsequent Payment Dates to the extent remaining unpaid and in accordance with, and to the extent provided in, the Indenture.

9. Benefit of the Agreement.

The Servicer agrees that its obligations hereunder shall be enforceable at the instance of the Issuer, the Trustee, on behalf of the Noteholders, or the requisite percentage of Noteholders or the Holders of the Preference Shares, as applicable, as provided in the Indenture or the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement, as applicable.

10. Limits of Servicer Responsibility; Indemnification.

(a) The Servicer assumes no responsibility under this Agreement other than to render the services called for hereunder and under the terms of the Indenture made applicable to it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement in good faith and, subject to the standard of liability described in the next sentence, shall not be responsible for any action of the Issuer or the Trustee in following or declining to follow any advice, recommendation or direction of the Servicer. The Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, and its Affiliates and their directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, shall not be liable to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person, for any losses, claims, damages, judgments, assessments, costs or other liabilities (collectively, "Liabilities") incurred by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person, that arise out of or in connection with the performance by the Servicer of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture, except by reason of (i) acts or omissions constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, gross negligence or breach of fiduciary duty in the performance, or reckless disregard, of the obligations of the Servicer hereunder and under the Indenture or (ii) with respect to any information included in the Offering Memorandum in the sections entitled "The Servicer" and "Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer" and information in the Offering Memorandum relating to the Servicer Letter Disclosure that contain any untrue statement of material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) collectively being the "Servicer Breaches"). For the avoidance of doubt, the Servicer shall have no duty to independently investigate any laws not otherwise known to it in connection with its obligations under this Agreement and the Indenture. The Servicer shall be liable for any non-waivable breaches of applicable securities laws. The Servicer shall be deemed to have satisfied Section 7(f) and the requirements of the Indenture and this Agreement relating to not causing the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes (including as those requirements relate to the acquisition (including manner of acquisition), ownership, enforcement, and disposition of Collateral) to the extent (i) the Servicer acts consistently with the Collateral Acquisition Agreement with respect to Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments and (ii) the Servicer does not have actual knowledge that its actions with respect to a Collateral Obligation or an Eligible Investment would violate Section 7(f).

(b) The Issuer shall indemnify and hold harmless (the Issuer in such case, the "Indemnifying Party") the Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and

employees (such parties collectively in such case, the “Indemnified Parties”) from and against any and all Liabilities, and shall reimburse each such Indemnified Party for all reasonable fees and expenses (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) (collectively, the “Expenses”) as such Expenses are incurred in investigating, preparing, pursuing or defending any claim, action, proceeding or investigation with respect to any pending or threatened litigation (collectively, the “Actions”), caused by, or arising out of or in connection with, the issuance of the Securities, the transactions contemplated by the Offering Memorandum, the Indenture or this Agreement, and/or any action taken by, or any failure to act by, such Indemnified Party; provided, however, that no Indemnified Party shall be indemnified for any Liabilities or Expenses it incurs as a result of any acts or omissions by any Indemnified Party constituting Servicer Breaches. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the obligations of the Issuer under this Section 10 shall be payable solely out of the Collateral in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Indenture and shall survive termination of this Agreement.

(c) With respect to any claim made or threatened against an Indemnified Party, or compulsory process or request or other notice of any loss, claim, damage or liability served upon an Indemnified Party, for which such Indemnified Party is or may be entitled to indemnification under this Section 10, such Indemnified Party shall (or with respect to Indemnified Parties that are directors, officers, stockholders, agents or employees of the Servicer, the Servicer shall cause such Indemnified Party to):

(i) give written notice to the Indemnifying Party of such claim within ten (10) days after such Indemnified Party’s receipt of actual notice that such claim is made or threatened, which notice to the Indemnifying Party shall specify in reasonable detail the nature of the claim and the amount (or an estimate of the amount) of the claim; provided, however, that the failure of any Indemnified Party to provide such notice to the Indemnifying Party shall not relieve the Indemnifying Party of its obligations under this Section 10 unless the Indemnifying Party is materially prejudiced or otherwise forfeits rights or defenses by reason of such failure;

(ii) at the Indemnifying Party’s expense, provide the Indemnifying Party such information and cooperation with respect to such claim as the Indemnifying Party may reasonably require, including, but not limited to, making appropriate personnel available to the Indemnifying Party at such reasonable times as the Indemnifying Party may request;

(iii) at the Indemnifying Party’s expense, cooperate and take all such steps as the Indemnifying Party may reasonably request to preserve and protect any defense to such claim;

(iv) in the event suit is brought with respect to such claim, upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Indemnifying Party the right, which the Indemnifying Party may exercise in its sole discretion and at its expense, to participate in the investigation, defense and settlement of such claim;

(v) neither incur any material expense to defend against nor release or settle any such claim or make any admission with respect thereto (other than routine or incontestable admissions or factual admissions the failure to make which would expose such Indemnified Party to unindemnified liability) nor permit a default or consent to the entry of any judgment in respect thereof, in each case without the prior written consent of the Indemnifying Party; and



(vi) upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Indemnifying Party the right, in its sole discretion and at its sole expense, to assume the defense of such claim, including, but not limited to, the right to designate counsel reasonably acceptable to the Indemnified Party and to control all negotiations, litigation, arbitration, settlements, compromises and appeals of such claim; provided, that if the Indemnifying Party assumes the defense of such claim, it shall not be liable for any fees and expenses of counsel for any Indemnified Party incurred thereafter in connection with such claim except that if such Indemnified Party reasonably determines that counsel designated by the Indemnifying Party has a conflict of interest in connection with its representation of such Indemnified Party, such Indemnifying Party shall pay the reasonable fees and disbursements of one counsel (in addition to any local counsel) separate from its own counsel for all Indemnified Parties in connection with any one action or separate but similar or related actions in the same jurisdiction arising out of the same general allegations or circumstances; provided, further, that prior to entering into any final settlement or compromise, such Indemnifying Party shall seek the consent of the Indemnified Party and use its commercially reasonable efforts in the light of the then prevailing circumstances (including, without limitation, any express or implied time constraint on any pending settlement offer) to obtain the consent of such Indemnified Party as to the terms of settlement or compromise. If an Indemnified Party does not consent to the settlement or compromise within a reasonable time under the circumstances, the Indemnifying Party shall not thereafter be obligated to indemnify the Indemnified Party for any amount in excess of such proposed settlement or compromise.

(d) In the event that any Indemnified Party waives its right to indemnification hereunder, the Indemnifying Party shall not be entitled to appoint counsel to represent such Indemnified Party nor shall the Indemnifying Party reimburse such Indemnified Party for any costs of counsel to such Indemnified Party.

(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, nothing herein shall in any way constitute a waiver or limitation of any rights which the Issuer or the Holders of the Securities may have under any U.S. federal securities laws.

#### 11. No Partnership or Joint Venture.

The Issuer and the Servicer are not partners or joint venturers with each other and nothing herein shall be construed to make them such partners or joint venturers or impose any liability as such on either of them. The Servicer's relation to the Issuer shall be deemed to be that of an independent contractor.

#### 12. Term; Termination.

(a) This Agreement shall commence as of the date first set forth above and shall continue in force and effect until the first of the following occurs: (i) the payment in full of the Notes, the termination of the Indenture in accordance with its terms and the redemption in full of the Preference Shares; (ii) the liquidation of the Collateral and the final distribution of the proceeds of such liquidation to the Holders of the Securities; or (iii) the termination of this Agreement in accordance with subsection (b), (c), (d) or (e) of this Section 12 or Section 14 of this Agreement.

(b) Subject to Section 12(e) below, the Servicer may resign, upon 90 days' written notice to the Issuer (or such shorter notice as is acceptable to the Issuer). If the Servicer resigns,

the Issuer agrees to appoint a successor Servicer to assume such duties and obligations in accordance with Section 12(e).

(c) This Agreement shall be automatically terminated in the event that the Issuer determines in good faith that the Issuer or the pool of Collateral has become required to be registered under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, and the Issuer notifies the Servicer thereof.

(d) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to this Section 12, neither party shall have any further liability or obligation to the other, except as provided in Sections 2(c)(i), 8, 10 and 15 of this Agreement.

(e) No removal or resignation of the Servicer shall be effective unless:

(i) (A) the Issuer appoints a successor Servicer at the written direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by the retiring Servicer, any of its Affiliates or any account over which the retiring Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (or, with respect to Class I Preference Shares held by Investors Corp. at such time, Holding Preference Shares held by the retiring Servicer, any of its Affiliates or any account over which the retiring Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority) other than, with respect to the Class II Preference Shares, HFP; provided that, with respect to the voting authority of Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP and certified in writing to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP) (each such non-excluded Preference Share, a "Voting Preference Share"), (B) such successor Servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the retiring Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer, its Affiliates or any account over which the retiring Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority other than HFP; provided that, with respect to the voting authority of Notes owned by HFP, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP and certified in writing to the Trustee by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP) (each such non-excluded Note, a "Voting Note") or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single class);

(ii) if a majority of the Voting Preference Shares has nominated two or more successor Servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) or has failed to appoint a successor Servicer that has not been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) within 60 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer, (A) the Issuer appoints a successor Servicer at the written direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes), (B) such successor Servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the retiring Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) Majority of the Voting Preference Shares or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single class); or

(iii) if a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and a Super Majority of the Controlling Class (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) has nominated two or more successor Servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clauses (i)(C) and (ii)(C) or has otherwise failed to appoint a successor Servicer that has not been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) or (ii) (C) within 120 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer, (A) any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes), any Holder of Voting Preference Shares or the Trustee petitions a court of competent authority to appoint a successor Servicer, (B) such court appoints a successor Servicer and (C) such successor Servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the retiring Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture.

In addition, any successor Servicer must be an established institution which (i) has demonstrated an ability to professionally and competently perform duties similar to those imposed upon the Servicer hereunder, (ii) is legally qualified and has the capacity to act as Servicer hereunder, as successor to the Servicer under this Agreement in the assumption of all of the responsibilities, duties and obligations of the Servicer hereunder and under the applicable terms of the Indenture, (iii) shall not cause the Issuer or the pool of Collateral to become required to register under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, (iv) shall perform its duties as Servicer under this Agreement and the Indenture without causing the Issuer, the Co Issuer or any Holder of Preference Shares to become subject to tax in any jurisdiction where such successor Servicer is established as doing business and (v) each Rating Agency has confirmed that the appointment of such successor Servicer shall not cause its then current rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn. No compensation payable to a successor Servicer from payments on the Collateral shall be greater than that paid to the retiring Servicer without the prior written consent of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes, a Majority of the Noteholders and a Majority of the Preference Shares. The Issuer, the Trustee and the successor Servicer shall take such action (or cause the retiring Servicer to take such action) consistent with this Agreement and the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer, as shall be necessary to effectuate any such succession.

(f) In the event of removal of the Servicer pursuant to this Agreement, the Issuer shall have all of the rights and remedies available with respect thereto at law or equity, and, without limiting the foregoing, the Issuer or, to the extent so provided in the Indenture, the Trustee may by notice in writing to the Servicer as provided under this Agreement terminate all the rights and obligations of the Servicer under this Agreement (except those that survive termination pursuant to Section 12(d) above). Upon expiration of the applicable notice period with respect to termination specified in this Section 12 or Section 14 of this Agreement, as applicable, all authority and power of the Servicer under this Agreement, whether with respect to the Collateral or otherwise, shall automatically and without further action by any person or entity pass to and be vested in the successor Servicer upon the appointment thereof.

### 13. Delegation; Assignments.

This Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Servicer hereunder, shall not be delegated by the Servicer, in whole or in part, except to any entity that (i) is controlled by any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers and (ii) is one in which any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers is involved in the day to day management and operations (and in any such case pursuant to an instrument of delegation in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer), without the prior written consent of the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and, notwithstanding any such consent, no delegation of obligations or duties by the Servicer (including, without limitation, to an entity described above) shall relieve the Servicer from any liability hereunder.

Subject to Section 12, any assignment of this Agreement to any Person, in whole or in part, by the Servicer shall be deemed null and void unless (i) such assignment is consented to in writing by the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and (ii) the Rating Agency Confirmation is satisfied with respect to any such assignment. Any assignment consented to by the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares shall bind the assignee hereunder in the same manner as the Servicer is bound. In addition, the assignee shall execute and deliver to the Issuer and the Trustee a counterpart of this Agreement naming such assignee as Servicer. Upon the execution and delivery of such a counterpart by the assignee and consent thereto by the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares, the Servicer shall be released from further obligations pursuant to this Agreement, except with respect to its obligations arising under Section 10 of this Agreement prior to such assignment and except with respect to its obligations under Sections 2(c)(i) and 15 hereof. This Agreement shall not be assigned by the Issuer without the prior written consent of the Servicer and the Trustee, except in the case of assignment by the Issuer to (i) an entity which is a successor to the Issuer permitted under the Indenture, in which case such successor organization shall be bound hereunder and by the terms of said assignment in the same manner as the Issuer is bound thereunder or (ii) the Trustee as contemplated by the Indenture. In the event of any assignment by the Issuer, the Issuer shall cause its successor to execute and deliver to the Servicer such documents as the Servicer shall consider reasonably necessary to effect fully such assignment. The Servicer hereby consents to the matters set forth in Article 15 of the Indenture.

14. Termination by the Issuer for Cause.

Subject to Section 12(e) above, this Agreement shall be terminated and the Servicer shall be removed by the Issuer for cause upon 10 days' prior written notice to the Servicer and upon written notice to the Holders of the Securities as set forth below, but only if directed to do so by (1) the Trustee, acting at the direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) or (2) the Holders of a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares. For purposes of determining "cause" with respect to any such termination of this Agreement, such term shall mean any one of the following events:

(a) the Servicer willfully breaches in any respect, or takes any action that it knows violates in any respect, any provision of this Agreement or any terms of the Indenture applicable to it;

(b) the Servicer breaches in any material respect any provision of this Agreement or any terms of the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement applicable to it, or any representation, warranty, certification or statement given in writing by the Servicer shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or given, and the Servicer fails to cure such breach or take such action so that the facts (after giving effect to such action) conform in all material respects to such representation, warranty, certificate or statement, in each case within 30 days of becoming aware of, or receiving notice from, the Trustee of, such breach or materially incorrect representation, warranty, certificate or statement;

(c) the Servicer is wound up or dissolved (other than a dissolution in which the remaining members elect to continue the business of the Servicer in accordance with its Governing Instruments) or there is appointed over it or a substantial portion of its assets a receiver, administrator, administrative receiver, trustee or similar officer, or the Servicer (i) ceases to be able to, or admits in writing its inability to, pay its debts as they become due and payable, or makes a general assignment for the benefit of or enters into any composition or arrangement with, its creditors generally; (ii) applies for

or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, assignee, custodian, liquidator or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Servicer or of any substantial part of its properties or assets, or authorizes such an application or consent, or proceedings seeking such appointment are commenced without such authorization, consent or application against the Servicer and continue undismissed for 60 days; (iii) authorizes or files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, or applies for or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the application of any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, readjustment of debt, insolvency or dissolution, or authorizes such application or consent, or proceedings to such end are instituted against the Servicer without such authorization, application or consent and are approved as properly instituted and remain undismissed for 60 days or result in adjudication of bankruptcy or insolvency; or (iv) permits or suffers all or any substantial part of its properties or assets to be sequestered or attached by court order and the order remains undismissed for 60 days;

(d) the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture that results from any breach by the Servicer of its duties under the Indenture or this Agreement, which breach or default is not cured within any applicable cure period; or

(e) (x) the occurrence of an act by the Servicer related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business that constitutes fraud, (y) the Servicer being indicted, or any of its principals being convicted, of a felony criminal offense related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business or (z) the Servicer being indicted for, adjudged liable in a civil suit for, or convicted of a violation of the Securities Act or any other United States Federal securities law or any rules or regulations thereunder.

If any of the events specified in this Section 14 shall occur, the Servicer shall give prompt written notice thereof to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Holders of all outstanding Notes and Preference Shares upon the Servicer's becoming aware of the occurrence of such event.

#### 15. Action Upon Termination.

(a) From and after the effective date of termination of this Agreement, the Servicer shall not be entitled to compensation for further services hereunder, but shall be paid all compensation accrued to the date of termination, as provided in Section 8 hereof, and shall be entitled to receive any amounts owing under Section 10 hereof. Upon the effective date of termination of this Agreement, the Servicer shall as soon as practicable:

(i) deliver to the Issuer all property and documents of the Trustee or the Issuer or otherwise relating to the Collateral then in the custody of the Servicer; and

(ii) deliver to the Trustee an accounting with respect to the books and records delivered to the Trustee or the successor Servicer appointed pursuant to Section 12(e) hereof.

Notwithstanding such termination, the Servicer shall remain liable to the extent set forth herein (but subject to Section 10 hereof) for its acts or omissions hereunder arising prior to termination and for any expenses, losses, damages, liabilities, demands, charges and claims (including reasonable attorneys' fees) in respect of or arising out of a breach of the representations and warranties made by the Servicer in Section 16(b) hereof or from any failure of the Servicer to comply with the provisions of this Section 15.

(b) The Servicer agrees that, notwithstanding any termination of this Agreement, it shall reasonably cooperate in any Proceeding arising in connection with this Agreement, the Indenture or any of the Collateral (excluding any such Proceeding in which claims are asserted against the Servicer or any Affiliate of the Servicer) upon receipt of appropriate indemnification and expense reimbursement.

16. Representations and Warranties.

(a) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants to the Servicer as follows:

(i) The Issuer has been duly registered and is validly existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands, has full power and authority to own its assets and the securities proposed to be owned by it and included in the Collateral and to transact the business in which it is presently engaged and is duly qualified under the laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Indenture or the Securities would require, such qualification, except for failures to be so qualified, authorized or licensed that would not in the aggregate have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Issuer.

(ii) The Issuer has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement, the Indenture and the Securities and all obligations required hereunder and thereunder and has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement, the Indenture and the Securities on the terms and conditions hereof and thereof and the execution by the Issuer, delivery and performance of this Agreement, the Indenture and the Securities and the performance of all obligations imposed upon it hereunder and thereunder. No consent of any other person including, without limitation, shareholders and creditors of the Issuer, and no license, permit, approval or authorization of, exemption by, notice or report to, or registration, filing or declaration with, any governmental authority, other than those that may be required under state securities or "blue sky" laws and those that have been or shall be obtained in connection with the Indenture and the Securities is required by the Issuer in connection with this Agreement, the Indenture and the Securities or the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Agreement, the Indenture and the Securities or the obligations imposed upon it hereunder or thereunder. This Agreement constitutes, and each instrument or document required hereunder, when executed and delivered hereunder, shall constitute, the legally valid and binding obligation of the Issuer enforceable against the Issuer in accordance with its terms, subject to (a) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights and (b) general equitable principles.

(iii) The execution by the Issuer, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the documents and instruments required hereunder shall not violate any provision of any existing law or regulation binding on the Issuer, or any order, judgment, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or governmental authority binding on the Issuer, or the Governing Instruments of, or any securities issued by, the Issuer or of any mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking to which the Issuer is a party or by which the Issuer or any of its assets may be bound, the violation of which would have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Issuer, and shall not result in or require the creation or imposition of any lien on any of its property, assets or revenues pursuant to the provisions

of any such mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking (other than the lien of the Indenture).

(iv) The Issuer is not in violation of its Governing Instruments or in breach or violation of or in default under the Indenture or any contract or agreement to which it is a party or by which it or any of its assets may be bound, or any applicable statute or any rule, regulation or order of any court, government agency or body having jurisdiction over the Issuer or its properties, the breach or violation of which or default under which would have a material adverse effect on the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the performance by the Issuer of its duties hereunder.

(v) True and complete copies of the Indenture and the Issuer's Governing Instruments have been delivered to the Servicer.

The Issuer agrees to deliver a true and complete copy of each amendment to the documents referred to in Section 16(a)(v) above to the Servicer as promptly as practicable after its adoption or execution.

(b) The Servicer hereby represents and warrants to the Issuer as follows:

(i) The Servicer is a limited partnership duly organized and validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware, has full power and authority to own its assets and to transact the business in which it is currently engaged and is duly qualified and in good standing under the laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of this Agreement would require such qualification, except for those jurisdictions in which the failure to be so qualified, authorized or licensed would not have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Servicer or on the ability of the Servicer to perform its obligations under, or on the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement and the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer.

(ii) The Servicer has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement and all obligations required hereunder and under the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer, and has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement on the terms and conditions hereof and the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and all obligations required hereunder and under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer. No consent of any other person, including, without limitation, creditors of the Servicer, and no license, permit, approval or authorization of, exemption by, notice or report to, or registration, filing or declaration with, any governmental authority is required by the Servicer in connection with this Agreement or the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the obligations required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer. This Agreement has been, and each instrument and document required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer shall be, executed and delivered by a duly authorized partner of the Servicer, and this Agreement constitutes, and each instrument and document required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer when executed and delivered by the Servicer hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer shall constitute, the valid and legally binding obligations of the Servicer enforceable against the Servicer in accordance with their terms, subject to (a) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency or

similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights and (b) general equitable principles.

(iii) The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer and the documents and instruments required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer shall not violate or conflict with any provision of any existing law or regulation binding on or applicable to the Servicer, or any order, judgment, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or governmental authority binding on the Servicer, or the Governing Instruments of, or any securities issued by the Servicer or of any mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking to which the Servicer is a party or by which the Servicer or any of its assets may be bound, the violation of which would have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Servicer or its ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement and the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer, and shall not result in or require the creation or imposition of any lien on any of its material property, assets or revenues pursuant to the provisions of any such mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking.

(iv) There is no charge, investigation, action, suit or proceeding before or by any court pending or, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, threatened that, if determined adversely to the Servicer, would have a material adverse effect upon the performance by the Servicer of its duties under, or on the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement and the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer.

(v) The Servicer is a registered investment adviser under the Advisers Act.

(vi) The Servicer is not in violation of its Governing Instruments or in breach or violation of or in default under any contract or agreement to which it is a party or by which it or any of its property may be bound, or any applicable statute or any rule, regulation or order of any court, government agency or body having jurisdiction over the Servicer or its properties, the breach or violation of which or default under which would have a material adverse effect on the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer, or the performance by the Servicer of its duties hereunder.

17. Notices.

Unless expressly provided otherwise herein, all notices, requests, demands and other communications required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing (including by telecopy) and shall be deemed to have been duly given, made and received when delivered against receipt or upon actual receipt of registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, or, in the case of telecopy notice, when received in legible form, addressed as set forth below:



(a) If to the Issuer:

Grayson CLO Ltd.  
c/o Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited  
P.O. Box 1093GT  
Queensgate House  
South Church Street  
George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands  
Telephone: (345) 945-6264  
Telecopy: (345) 945-6265  
Attention: The Directors

(b) If to the Servicer:

Highland Capital Management, L.P.  
Two Galleria Tower  
13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300  
Dallas, Texas 75240  
Telephone: (972) 628-4100  
Telecopy: (972) 628-4147  
Attention: James Dondero

(c) If to the Trustee:

Investors Bank & Trust Company  
200 Claredon Street  
Mailcode: EUC-108  
Boston, Massachusetts 02116  
Telecopy: (617)351-4358  
Attention: CDO Services Group

(d) If to the Noteholders:

In accordance with Section 14.4 of the Indenture, at their respective addresses set forth on the Note Register.

(e) If to the Holders of the Preference Shares:

In accordance with Section 14.4 of the Indenture, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent at the address identified therein.

(f) if to the Rating Agencies:

In accordance with Section 14.3 of the Indenture, to the rating Agencies at the address identified therein.

Any party may alter the address or telecopy number to which communications or copies are to be sent by giving notice of such change of address in conformity with the provisions of this Section 17 for the giving of notice.

18. Binding Nature of Agreement; Successors and Assigns.

This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns as provided herein. The Servicer hereby consents to the collateral assignment of this Agreement as provided in the Indenture and further agrees that the Trustee may enforce the Servicer's obligations hereunder.

19. Entire Agreement.

This Agreement contains the entire agreement and understanding among the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements, understandings, inducements and conditions, express or implied, oral or written, of any nature whatsoever with respect to the subject matter hereof. The express terms hereof control and supersede any course of performance and/or usage of the trade inconsistent with any of the terms hereof. This Agreement may not be modified or amended other than by an agreement in writing executed by the parties hereto and in accordance with the terms of Section 15.1(h) of the Indenture.

20. Conflict with the Indenture.

Subject to the last two sentences of Section 2(a)(i), in the event that this Agreement requires any action to be taken with respect to any matter and the Indenture requires that a different action be taken with respect to such matter, and such actions are mutually exclusive, the provisions of the Indenture in respect thereof shall control.

21. Priority of Payments.

The Servicer agrees that the payment of all amounts to which it is entitled pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture shall be due and payable only in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Indenture and only to the extent funds are available for such payments in accordance with such priorities.

22. Governing Law.

**THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS PROVISIONS THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION.**

23. Indulgences Not Waivers.

Neither the failure nor any delay on the part of any party hereto to exercise any right, remedy, power or privilege under this Agreement shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power or privilege preclude any other or further exercise of the same or of any other right, remedy, power or privilege, nor shall any waiver of any right, remedy, power or privilege with respect to any occurrence be construed as a waiver of such right, remedy, power or privilege with respect to any other occurrence. No waiver shall be effective unless it is in writing and is signed by the party asserted to have granted such waiver.

24. Costs and Expenses.

Except as may otherwise be agreed in writing, the costs and expenses (including the fees and disbursements of counsel and accountants) incurred by each party in connection with the negotiation and preparation of and the execution of this Agreement, and all matters incident thereto, shall be borne by such party.

25. Titles Not to Affect Interpretation.

The titles of paragraphs and subparagraphs contained in this Agreement are for convenience only, and they neither form a part of this Agreement nor are they to be used in the construction or interpretation hereof.

26. Execution in Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts by facsimile or other written form of communication, each of which shall be deemed to be an original as against any party whose signature appears thereon, and all of which shall together constitute one and the same instrument. This Agreement shall become binding when one or more counterparts hereof, individually or taken together, shall bear the signatures of all of the parties reflected hereon as the signatories.

27. Provisions Separable.

In case any provision in this Agreement shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable as written, such provision shall be construed in the manner most closely resembling the apparent intent of the parties with respect to such provision so as to be valid, legal and enforceable; provided, however, that if there is no basis for such a construction, such provision shall be ineffective only to the extent of such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability and, unless the ineffectiveness of such provision destroys the basis of the bargain for one of the parties to this Agreement, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions hereof or thereof shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

28. Number and Gender.

Words used herein, regardless of the number and gender specifically used, shall be deemed and construed to include any other number, singular or plural, and any other gender, masculine, feminine or neuter, as the context requires.

29. Written Disclosure Statement.

The Issuer and the Trustee acknowledge receipt of Part II of the Servicer's Form ADV filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, as required by Rule 204-3 under the Advisers Act, more than 48 hours prior to the date of execution of this Agreement.

30. Miscellaneous.

(a) In the event that any vote is solicited with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall vote or refrain from voting any such security in any manner permitted by the Indenture that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities. In addition, with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, may instruct the trustee for such Defaulted Collateral Obligation to enforce the Issuer's rights under the Underlying Instruments governing such Defaulted

Collateral Obligation and any applicable law, rule or regulation in any manner permitted under the Indenture that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities. In the event any Offer is made with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, may take such action as is permitted by the Indenture and that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities.

(b) In connection with taking or omitting any action under the Indenture or this Agreement, the Servicer may consult with counsel and may rely in good faith on the advice of such counsel or any opinion of counsel.

Any corporation, partnership or limited liability company into which the Servicer may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any corporation, partnership or limited liability company resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Servicer shall be a party, or any corporation, partnership or limited liability company succeeding to all or substantially all of the servicing and collateral management business of the Servicer, shall be the successor to the Servicer without any further action by the Servicer, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Noteholders or any other person or entity.

31. Limitation of Liabilities.

The Issuer's obligations hereunder are solely the corporate obligations of the Issuer and the Servicer shall not have any recourse to any of the directors, officers, shareholders, members or incorporators of the Issuer with respect to any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations in connection with any transactions contemplated hereby, except for any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations caused by the gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct of such directors, officers, shareholders, members or incorporators of the Issuer. The obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be limited to the net proceeds of the Collateral, if any, as applied in accordance with the Priorities of Payments pursuant to the Indenture, and following realization of the Collateral and its application in accordance with the Indenture, any outstanding obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. The provisions of this section shall survive termination of this Agreement.

32. Consent to Posting of Documents on Repository.

The Servicer hereby consents to (i) the posting of the final Offering Memorandum, the Indenture and any Hedge Agreements (collectively, the "Documents") and the periodic reports to be delivered pursuant to the Documents and any amendments or other modifications thereto on the Repository (as such term is defined in the Indenture) for use in the manner provided in the Repository; and (ii) the display of its name on the Repository in connection therewith.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., as Servicer

By: Strand Advisors, Inc., its General Partner

By: 

Name: Todd Travers, Assistant Secretary

Title: Strand Advisors, Inc., General Partner of  
Highland Capital Management, L.P.

GRAYSON CLO, LTD.,

as Issuer

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

Name:

Title:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,  
as Servicer

By: Strand Advisors, Inc., its General Partner

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

GRAYSON CLO, LTD.,  
as Issuer

By:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: **SCOTT DAKERS**  
Title: *Director*

## **EXHIBIT AA**

**EXECUTION COPY**

**GRAYSON CLO LTD.**

Issuer

**GRAYSON CLO CORP.**

Co-Issuer

AND

**HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.**

Servicer

**AMENDMENT NO. 1**

**TO**

**SERVICING AGREEMENT**

Dated as of October 2, 2007

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**COLLATERALIZED DEBT OBLIGATIONS**

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**THIS AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO SERVICING AGREEMENT** (the “Amendment”), dated as of October 2, 2007, among Grayson CLO Ltd. (the “Issuer”), Grayson CLO Corp. (the “Co-Issuer”) and Highland Capital Management, L.P. (the “Servicer”), hereby amends the Servicing Agreement, dated as November 30, 2006, among the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Servicer.

W I T N E S S E T H

WHEREAS, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Servicer entered into the Servicing Agreement;

WHEREAS, the Issuers and the Servicer desire to change certain provisions with respect to the Servicer’s ability to waive certain Servicing Fees;

WHEREAS, Section 19 of the Servicing Agreement provides that the Servicing Agreement may be amended by the Issuer, Co-Issuer and the Servicer in accordance with the terms of Section 15.1(h) of the Indenture;

WHEREAS, Section 15.1(h) of the Indenture provides that the Servicing Agreement may be amended by the Issuer, Co-Issuer and the Servicer with the consent of Majority of each Class of Notes or a Majority of the Preference Shares have not objected in writing to such amendment;

WHEREAS, the necessary consents pursuant to the preceding paragraph have been obtained;

WHEREAS, Section 15.1(h) of the Indenture provides that the Ratings Agencies shall confirm that this Amendment to the Indenture will not cause the rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn; and

WHEREAS, the Ratings Agencies have confirmed that this Amendment to the Indenture will not cause the rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:

SECTION 1. Defined Terms.

For purposes of this Amendment, all capitalized terms which are used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the respective meanings assigned to such terms in the Indenture.

SECTION 2. Amendment.

Section 8(a) of the Servicing Agreement is hereby amended and replaced in its entirety with the following:

8. Compensation.

(a) The Issuer shall pay to the Servicer, for services rendered and performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Servicing Fee, which shall be payable in such amounts and at such times as set forth in the Indenture. The provisions of the Indenture which relate to the amount and payment of the Servicing Fee shall not be amended without the written consent of the Servicer. If on any Payment Date there are insufficient funds to pay the Servicing Fee (and/or any other amounts due and payable to the Servicer) in full, the amount not so paid shall be deferred and shall be payable with accrued interest on such later Payment Date on which funds are available therefor as provided in the Indenture.

The Servicer hereby agrees to waive the Class II Preference Share Portion of the Servicing Fees deposited by the Trustee into the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account pursuant to the Indenture, which would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as Servicing Fees, on each Payment Date prior to February 3, 2008. With respect to any Payment Date after February 3, 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion (or all) of its Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Issuer as Class II Preference Share Special Payments pursuant to the Indenture; provided that with respect to the Payment Date in May 2008 such Class II Preference Share Special Payments will, at a minimum, include amounts that would otherwise constitute a portion (representing the Class II Preference Share Percentage) of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Payment Date in February 2008 through February 3, 2008. For purposes of any calculation under this Agreement and the Indenture, the Servicer shall be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

In addition, notwithstanding anything set out above, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion waive all or any portion of the Subordinate Servicing Fee or Supplemental Servicing Fee, any funds representing the waived Subordinate Servicing Fees or Supplemental Servicing Fees to be retained in the Collection Account for distribution as either Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds (as determined by the Servicer) pursuant to the Priority of Payments.

### SECTION 3. Effect of Amendment.

Upon execution of this Amendment, the Indenture shall be, and be deemed to be, modified and amended in accordance herewith and the respective rights, limitations, obligations, duties, liabilities and immunities of the Issuer, Co-Issuer and the Servicer shall hereafter be determined, exercised and enforced subject in all respects to such modifications and amendments, and all the terms and conditions of this Amendment shall be deemed to be part of the terms and conditions of the Indenture for any and all purposes. Except as modified and expressly amended by this Amendment, the Indenture is in all respects ratified and confirmed, and all the terms, provisions and conditions thereof shall be and remain in full force and effect.

### SECTION 4. Binding Effect.

The provisions of this Amendment shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Servicer and each of their respective successors and assigns.

SECTION 5. GOVERNING LAW.

THIS AMENDMENT TO THE INDENTURE SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK APPLICABLE TO AGREEMENTS MADE AND TO BE PERFORMED THEREIN WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS CONFLICT OF LAW PROVISIONS, AND THE OBLIGATIONS, RIGHTS AND REMEDIES OF THE PARTIES HEREUNDER SHALL BE DETERMINED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUCH LAWS.

SECTION 6. Severability of Provisions.

If any one or more of the provisions or terms of this Amendment shall be for any reason whatsoever held invalid, then such provisions or terms shall be deemed severable from the remaining provisions or terms of this Amendment and shall in no way affect the validity or enforceability of the other provisions or terms of this Amendment.

SECTION 7. Section Headings.

The section headings herein are for convenience of reference only, and shall not limit or otherwise affect the meaning hereof.

SECTION 8. Counterparts.

This Amendment may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which shall constitute but one and the same instrument.

[Signature pages follow]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Issuer, Co-Issuer and the Servicer have caused their names to be signed hereto by their respective officers thereunto duly authorized, all as of the day and year first above written.

GRAYSON CLO LTD.,  
as Issuer

By:   
Name: **VIJAYABALAN MURUGESU**  
Title: **DIRECTOR**

GRAYSON CLO CORP.,  
as Co-Issuer

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

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT,  
L.P., as Servicer

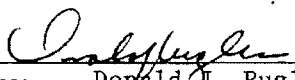
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GRAYSON CLO LTD.,  
as Issuer

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

GRAYSON CLO CORP.,  
as Co-Issuer

By:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Donald J. Puglisi  
Title: President

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT,  
L.P., as Servicer

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

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Issuer, Co-Issuer and the Servicer have caused their names to be signed hereto by their respective officers thereunto duly authorized, all as of the day and year first above written.


GRAYSON CLO LTD.,  
as Issuer

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name:  
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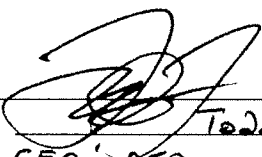
GRAYSON CLO CORP.,  
as Co-Issuer

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

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., as  
Servicer

By:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: **Todd Travers**  
Title: **Senior Portfolio Manager**  
**Highland Capital Management, L.P.**

**CONSENTED AND AGREED TO BY:**

  
Name: Todd Travers  
Title: CEO; CIO  
E-mail address: tatravers@hemp.com  
Aggregate Outstanding Amount/Face Amount of Class II  
Preference Shares Held: 75,000  
CUSIP/ISIN: US3896683022

## **EXHIBIT BB**



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U.S.\$730,000,000 Class A Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2021  
U.S.\$60,000,000 Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2021  
U.S.\$50,000,000 Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2021  
U.S.\$40,000,000 Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2021  
U.S.\$40,000,000 Class E Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2021  
20,000 Class I Preference Shares  
60,000 Class II Preference Shares

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The Securities will be issued on or about December 20, 2007 (the “**Closing Date**”). The Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares are subject to multiple extensions if the Issuer provides timely notice and the Extension Conditions are satisfied as described herein.

The net proceeds of the offering of the Securities will be applied by the Issuer to repay amounts used by the Issuer in connection with financing the purchase of certain Collateral Obligations prior to the Closing Date and to purchase additional Collateral Obligations on and after the Closing Date, all of which will be pledged under the Indenture by the Issuer to the Trustee for the benefit of the secured parties named therein. See “Use of Proceeds.” Highland Capital Management, L.P. (“**Highland Capital**” or, in such capacity, the “**Servicer**”) will service the Issuer’s portfolio.

The initial offer price of the Senior Notes is 100%. The Initial Purchaser may offer the Senior Notes at other prices as may be negotiated at the time of sale. The Class E Notes and the Preference Shares are being offered in negotiated transactions at varying prices determined at the time of each sale.

This Offering Memorandum constitutes a prospectus (the “**Prospectus**”) for the purposes of Directive 2003/71/EC (the “**Prospectus Directive**”). Application will be made to the Irish Financial Services Regulatory Authority, as competent authority under the Prospectus Directive for this Prospectus to be approved. Application has been made for the Senior Notes to be admitted to the *Official List* of the Irish Stock Exchange and trading on its regulated market.

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*Investing in the Securities involves risks. See “Risk Factors” beginning on Page 27.*

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Certain pledged assets of the issuer are the sole source of payments on the Securities. The Securities do not represent an interest in or obligations of, and are not insured or guaranteed by, the Holders of the Preference Shares, the Servicer, the Trustee, any paying agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty or any of their respective Affiliates.

The Securities have not been, and will not be, registered under the Securities Act and neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer will be registered under the Investment Company Act. The Senior Notes will be offered and sold to non-U.S. Persons outside of the United States in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act. The Senior Notes may not be offered or sold within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. Persons except to persons that are (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers (as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act) and (ii) Qualified Purchasers for purposes of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act. The Class E Notes and the Preference Shares will be offered and sold only to persons that are (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers (or, solely in the case of certain Holders purchasing Class E Notes on the Closing Date, institutional Accredited Investors (as defined in clause (1), (2), (3) or (7) of Rule 501(a) under Regulation D under the Securities Act)) and (ii) Qualified Purchasers. The Securities are not transferable except in accordance with the restrictions described under “Transfer Restrictions.”

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The Senior Notes are being offered, subject to prior sale, when, as and if delivered to and accepted by Goldman, Sachs & Co. (the “**Initial Purchaser**”) and/or its agents and the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares are being offered and sold directly by the Issuer. It is expected that the Global Notes will be ready for delivery in book-entry form only in New York, New York, on or about December 20, 2007, through the facilities of DTC, against payment therefor in immediately available funds. It is expected that delivery of the physical certificates representing the Certificated Class E Notes and the Certificated Preference Shares will be made in New York, New York on or about December 20, 2007 against payment therefor in immediately available funds.

### Goldman, Sachs & Co.

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Offering Memorandum dated December 18, 2007.



Payment of interest on, and principal of, the Notes will be made by the Issuer in U.S. Dollars on the first day of each February, May, August and November of each year (or if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day) (each such date a "**Payment Date**"), commencing on the Payment Date in August 2008, to the extent of available cash flow in respect of the Collateral in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Each Class of Notes will bear interest at the per annum rates set forth under "Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities." The Preference Shares will receive as dividends certain amounts available for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments subject to any restrictions under Cayman Islands law. In addition, Holders of the Class II Preference Shares are entitled, subject to any restrictions under Cayman Islands law, to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments equivalent to the proceeds that would otherwise constitute a portion (representing the Class II Preference Share Percentage) of the Servicing Fees payable to the Servicer from the Closing Date to February 3, 2008. With respect to any Payment Date after February 3, 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion (or all) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments; *provided* that with respect to the Payment Date in August 2008 such Class II Preference Share Special Payments will, at a minimum, include amounts that would otherwise constitute a portion (representing the Class II Preference Share Percentage) of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Closing Date to February 3, 2008. See "Description of the Securities—Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Preference Shares from Interest Proceeds" and "—Priority of Payments."

The Notes will be subject to Optional Redemption in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period, in each case at the direction of the applicable Required Redemption Percentage. The Notes will be subject to mandatory redemption on any Payment Date, to the extent that any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied, as described herein. The Notes will be subject to Special Redemption, at the discretion of the Servicer, to the extent that at any time during the Replacement Period, the Servicer cannot identify satisfactory additional or replacement Collateral Obligations. The Notes will be subject to Refinancing after the Non-Call Period on the terms and conditions described herein. After redemption in full of the Notes, the Preference Shares will be subject to Optional Redemption in whole or in part on any Payment Date by the Issuer at the direction of the Holders of the requisite percentage of the Preference Shares at the applicable Redemption Price pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted; *provided, however*, that the Preference Shares must be redeemed on or prior to the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. See "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption," "Optional Redemption—Redemption by Refinancing," "—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes," "—Special Redemption of Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture" and "—Priority of Payments." The principal amount of the Notes will be payable at the Stated Maturity, unless redeemed or paid in full prior thereto. The Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed at their Redemption Price on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, unless redeemed prior thereto.

**Application has been made for the Senior Notes to be admitted to the Official List of the Irish Stock Exchange (the "ISE") and trading on its regulated market. However, there can be no assurance that the ISE will in fact accept the listing of the Senior Notes or, if accepted, that such listing will be maintained. Furthermore, the Co-Issuers will not be required to maintain a listing on a stock exchange in the European Union if compliance with requirements of the European Commission on a member state becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer.**

It is a condition of the issuance of the Securities that (i) the Class A Notes be rated "Aaa" by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("**Moody's**") and "AAA" by Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. ("**S&P**" and, together with Moody's, the "**Rating Agencies**"), (ii) the Class B Notes be rated at least "Aa2" by Moody's and at least "AA" by S&P, (iii) the Class C Notes be rated at least "A2" by Moody's and at least "A" by S&P, (iv) the Class D Notes be rated at least "Baa2" by Moody's and at least "BBB" by S&P and (v) the Class E Notes be rated at least "Ba2" by Moody's and at least "BB" by S&P. Each of the above ratings assumes that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date. A

credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning Rating Agency. The Preference Shares will not be rated by any credit rating agency.

No person has been authorized to make or provide any representation or information regarding the Co-Issuers or the Securities other than as contained in this Offering Memorandum. Any such representation or information should not be relied upon as having been authorized by the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchaser. The delivery of this Offering Memorandum at any time does not imply that the information contained in it is correct as of any time subsequent to the date of this Offering Memorandum. The Co-Issuers disclaim any obligation to update such information and do not intend to do so. Unless otherwise indicated, all information in this Offering Memorandum is given as of the date of this Offering Memorandum.

This Offering Memorandum has been prepared by the Co-Issuers solely for use in connection with the listing of the Senior Notes and the offering of the Securities as described herein. The Co-Issuers accept responsibility for the information contained in this Offering Memorandum (other than the information contained in the sections entitled "Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer" and "The Servicer"), having made all reasonable inquiries, confirm that, to the best knowledge and belief of the Co-Issuers, the information contained in this Offering Memorandum is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information. The Co-Issuers (and with respect to the information contained in this Offering Memorandum in the sections entitled "Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer" and "The Servicer" only, the Servicer) take responsibility accordingly.

The information appearing in the sections entitled "Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer" and "The Servicer" has been received from the Servicer and has been accurately reproduced. So far as the Co-Issuers are aware and are able to ascertain, no facts have been omitted from such information received which would render such information inaccurate or misleading. The Initial Purchaser and the Co-Issuers do not assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness, or applicability of such information, except that the Co-Issuers assume responsibility for accurately reproducing such information in this Offering Memorandum.

None of the Initial Purchaser, the Servicer (except with respect to the sections entitled, "Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer" and "The Servicer") or the Trustee makes any representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the accuracy or completeness of the information in this Offering Memorandum. Each person receiving this Offering Memorandum acknowledges that such person has not relied on the Initial Purchaser, the Servicer (except with respect to the section entitled "Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer" and "The Servicer") or the Trustee or any person affiliated therewith, in connection with its investigation of the accuracy of such information or its investment decision. Each person contemplating making an investment in the Securities must make its own investigation and analysis of the creditworthiness of the Co-Issuers and its own determination of the suitability of any such investment, with particular reference to its own investment objectives and experience, and any other factors that may be relevant to it in connection with such investment.

## NOTICE TO NEW HAMPSHIRE RESIDENTS

**NEITHER THE FACT THAT A REGISTRATION STATEMENT OR AN APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE HAS BEEN FILED UNDER CHAPTER 421-B OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE REVISED STATUTES (THE "RSA") WITH THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE NOR THE FACT THAT A SECURITY IS EFFECTIVELY REGISTERED OR A PERSON IS LICENSED IN THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CONSTITUTES A FINDING BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE THAT ANY DOCUMENT FILED UNDER RSA 421-B IS TRUE, COMPLETE AND NOT MISLEADING. NEITHER ANY SUCH FACT NOR THE FACT THAT AN EXEMPTION OR EXCEPTION IS AVAILABLE FOR A SECURITY OR A TRANSACTION MEANS THAT THE SECRETARY OF STATE HAS PASSED IN ANY WAY UPON THE MERITS OR QUALIFICATIONS OF, OR RECOMMENDED OR GIVEN APPROVAL TO, ANY PERSON, SECURITY, OR TRANSACTION. IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE, OR CAUSE TO BE MADE, TO ANY PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER, CUSTOMER, OR CLIENT ANY REPRESENTATION INCONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PARAGRAPH.**

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THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION OR OTHER REGULATORY AUTHORITY, AND NONE OF THE FOREGOING AUTHORITIES HAS CONFIRMED THE ACCURACY OR DETERMINED THE ADEQUACY OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

This Offering Memorandum contains summaries of certain documents. The summaries do not purport to be complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to such documents. Each person receiving this Offering Memorandum acknowledges that such person has been afforded an opportunity to request from the Issuer and to review, and has received, all additional information considered by such person to be necessary to verify the accuracy and completeness of the information herein. Requests and inquiries regarding this Offering Memorandum or such documents should be directed to the Issuer, in care of the Initial Purchaser at One New York Plaza, New York, New York 10004. Such requests may also be made to the Listing Agent at the address set forth on the final page of this Offering Memorandum.

The Securities are a new issue of securities. There can be no assurance that a secondary market for any of the Securities will develop, or if a secondary market does develop, that it will provide the Holders of such Securities with liquidity of investment or that it will continue. Accordingly, investors should be prepared to bear the risks of holding the Securities until final payment is made thereon.

THE CONTENTS OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM ARE NOT TO BE CONSTRUED AS ACCOUNTING, LEGAL, BUSINESS OR TAX ADVICE. EACH PROSPECTIVE INVESTOR SHOULD CONSULT ITS OWN ACCOUNTANT, ATTORNEY, BUSINESS ADVISOR AND TAX ADVISOR AS TO LEGAL, BUSINESS AND TAX ADVICE. NONE OF THE CO-ISSUERS, THE INITIAL PURCHASER, THE SERVICER OR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES MAKES ANY REPRESENTATION TO ANY OFFEREE OF THE SECURITIES REGARDING THE LEGALITY OF AN INVESTMENT THEREIN BY SUCH OFFEREE UNDER APPLICABLE LEGAL INVESTMENT OR SIMILAR LAWS OR REGULATIONS OR THE PROPER CLASSIFICATION OF SUCH AN INVESTMENT THEREUNDER.

This Offering Memorandum does not constitute an offer of, or an invitation by or on behalf of, the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchaser to subscribe to or purchase any of the Securities in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful to make such an offer or invitation. The distribution of this Offering Memorandum and the offering of the Securities in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law. Persons into whose

possession this Offering Memorandum comes are required by the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchaser to inform themselves about and to observe any such restrictions. For a description of certain further restrictions on offers and sales of Securities and distribution of this Offering Memorandum, see "Description of the Securities," "Plan of Distribution" and "Transfer Restrictions."

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has been registered under the United States Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "**Investment Company Act**"), in reliance on an exclusion from the definition of "investment company" under Section 3(c)(7) under the Investment Company Act ("**Section 3(c)(7)**"). Each purchaser of Senior Notes represented by an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will be deemed to represent and agree and each purchaser of Class E Notes will be required to represent and agree that (i) the purchaser is acquiring such Notes in a principal amount of not less than U.S.\$250,000, and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof for such purchaser (and, in the case of the Senior Notes, each account for which such purchaser is purchasing such Notes) and (ii) the purchaser (and, in the case of the Senior Notes, each such account), is a Qualified Purchaser for purposes of Section 3(c)(7) ("**Qualified Purchaser**"). Each purchaser of Preference Shares will be required to represent and agree that (i) the purchaser is acquiring such Preference Shares in a number of not less than 100 Preference Shares and in integral multiples of one Preference Share in excess thereof for such purchaser and (ii) the purchaser is a Qualified Purchaser. See "Transfer Restrictions."

The Issuer and the Co-Issuer may, at any time following the Closing Date, rely on exclusion from the definition of "investment company" under Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act ("**Rule 3a-7**") in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7) upon (a) receipt of an opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm providing that neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer is required to register as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act in reliance on such exclusion under Rule 3a-7 and (b) notice to the Holders of the Securities in accordance with the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. In connection with the Issuer's reliance on Rule 3a-7 in lieu of Section 3(c)(7), the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents may be amended without the consent of any Holders and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to prevent the Issuer from becoming an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7). See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Servicer May Cause the Issuer to Amend the Indenture to Assure Compliance with Rule 3a-7 Without the Consent of the Holders of the Securities in a Manner That May Adversely Affect the Holders of Securities."

No invitation to subscribe for the Securities may be made to the public in the Cayman Islands.

Prospective purchasers are hereby notified that a seller of the Securities may be relying on an exemption from the registration requirements of Section 5 of the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "**Securities Act**") provided by Section 4(2) of the Securities Act ("**Section 4(2)**").

In this Offering Memorandum references to "**Dollars**," "**\$**" and "**U.S.\$**" are dollars or other equivalent units in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for all debts, public and private.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, except as necessary to comply with securities laws, each prospective investor (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) may disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure of the transactions described herein and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to them relating to such U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure under applicable U.S. federal, state or local tax law. Any such disclosure of the tax treatment, tax structure and other tax-related materials shall not be made for the purpose of offering to sell the Securities offered hereby or soliciting an offer to purchase any such Securities.

**NO ACTION WAS TAKEN OR IS BEING CONTEMPLATED BY THE CO-ISSUERS THAT WOULD PERMIT A PUBLIC OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES OR POSSESSION OR DISTRIBUTION OF THIS**

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**THIS DOCUMENT IS CONSIDERED AN ADVERTISEMENT FOR PURPOSES OF APPLICABLE MEASURES IMPLEMENTING E.U. DIRECTIVE 2003/71/EC. A PROSPECTUS PREPARED PURSUANT TO THE PROSPECTUS DIRECTIVE WILL BE PUBLISHED, WHICH CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE ISSUER AND THE IRISH PAYING AGENT. SEE "LISTING AND GENERAL INFORMATION". ANY FOREIGN LANGUAGE INCLUDED IN THIS DOCUMENT IS FOR CONVENIENCE PURPOSES ONLY AND DOES NOT FORM PART OF THE PROSPECTUS.**

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**A COPY OF THIS PROSPECTUS WILL BE FILED WITH THE IRISH FINANCIAL SERVICES REGULATORY AUTHORITY AND WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE OF THE IRISH FINANCIAL REGULATORY AUTHORITY FROM THE DATE OF APPROVAL. COPIES OF SUCH PROSPECTUS WILL BE AVAILABLE FREE OF CHARGE FROM THE IRISH PAYING AGENT.**

#### **INFORMATION APPLICABLE TO U.S. INVESTORS**

This Offering Memorandum is confidential and is being furnished by the Co-Issuers in connection with an offering exempt from registration under the Securities Act, solely for the purpose of enabling a prospective investor to consider the purchase of the Securities described herein. Except as otherwise authorized herein, any reproduction or distribution of this Offering Memorandum, in whole or in part, and any disclosure of its contents or use of any information herein for any purpose other than considering an investment in the Securities is prohibited. Each offeree of the Securities, by accepting delivery of this Offering Memorandum, agrees to the foregoing.

**THE SECURITIES OFFERED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN RECOMMENDED BY ANY UNITED STATES FEDERAL OR STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION OR REGULATORY AUTHORITY. FURTHERMORE, THE FOREGOING AUTHORITIES HAVE NOT CONFIRMED THE ACCURACY OR DETERMINED THE ADEQUACY OF THIS DOCUMENT. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.**

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#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM**

THE SECURITIES MUST NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD AND THE DISTRIBUTION OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM AND ANY OTHER DOCUMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFERING AND ISSUANCE OF THE SECURITIES MUST NOT BE ISSUED OR PASSED ON TO PERSONS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM EXCEPT TO PERSONS WHO: (i) ARE OUTSIDE OF THE UNITED KINGDOM; OR (ii) WHO ARE IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND (A) HAVE PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE IN MATTERS RELATING TO INVESTMENTS; OR (B) ARE PERSONS FALLING WITHIN ARTICLE 49(2) OF THE FINANCIAL SERVICES AND MARKETS ACT 2000 (FINANCIAL PROMOTION) ORDER 2005 OR ARE PERSONS TO WHOM THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY OTHER SUCH DOCUMENT MAY OTHERWISE LAWFULLY BE ISSUED OR PASSED ON (ALL SUCH PERSONS TOGETHER BEING REFERRED TO AS "**RELEVANT PERSONS**"). ANY INVESTMENT OR INVESTMENT ACTIVITY TO WHICH THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM RELATES IS AVAILABLE ONLY TO RELEVANT PERSONS AND WILL BE ENGAGED IN ONLY WITH RELEVANT PERSONS.



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In relation to each Member State of the European Economic Area which has implemented the Prospectus Directive (each, a **"Relevant Member State"**), the Initial Purchaser has represented and agreed that with effect from and including the date on which the Prospectus Directive is implemented in that Relevant Member State (the **"Relevant Implementation Date"**) it has not made and will not make an offer of securities to the public in that Relevant Member State prior to the publication of an Offering Memorandum in relation to the securities which has been approved by the competent authority in that Relevant Member State or, where appropriate, approved in another Relevant Member State and notified to the competent authority in that Relevant Member State, all in accordance with the Prospectus Directive, except that each may, with effect from and including the Relevant Implementation Date, make an offer of securities to the public in that Relevant Member State at any time:

- (a) to the legal entities which are authorized or regulated to operate in the financial markets or, if not so authorized or regulated, whose corporate purpose is solely to invest in securities;
- (b) to any legal entity which has two or more of (1) an average of at least 250 employees during the last financial year; (2) a total balance sheet of more than €43,000,000 and (3) an annual net turnover of more than €50,000,000, as shown in its last annual or consolidated accounts; or
- (c) in any other circumstances which do not require the publication by the issuer of an Offering Memorandum pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive.

For the purposes of this provision, the expression an "offer of securities to the public" in relation to any Securities in any Relevant Member State means the communication in any form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and the securities to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase or subscribe the Securities, as the same may be varied in that Member State by any measure implementing the Prospectus Directive in that Member State and the expression "Prospectus Directive" means Directive 2003/71/EC and includes any relevant implementing measure in each Relevant Member State.

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INDIRECTLY, TO PERSONS IN SINGAPORE OTHER THAN (I) TO AN INSTITUTIONAL INVESTOR UNDER SECTION 274 OF THE SECURITIES AND FUTURES ACT, CHAPTER 289 OF SINGAPORE (THE "**SFA**"), (II) TO A RELEVANT PERSON, OR ANY PERSON PURSUANT TO SECTION 275(1A), AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONDITIONS, SPECIFIED IN SECTION 275 OF THE SFA OR (III) OTHERWISE PURSUANT TO, AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONDITIONS OF, ANY OTHER APPLICABLE PROVISION OF THE SFA.

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### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF JAPAN**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE LAW OF JAPAN (THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE LAW) AND THE INITIAL PURCHASER HAS AGREED THAT IT WILL NOT OFFER OR SELL ANY SECURITIES, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN JAPAN OR TO, OR FOR THE BENEFIT OF, ANY RESIDENT OF JAPAN (WHICH TERM AS USED HEREIN MEANS ANY PERSON RESIDENT IN JAPAN, INCLUDING ANY CORPORATION OR OTHER ENTITY ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF JAPAN), OR TO OTHERS FOR RE-OFFERING OR RESALE, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN JAPAN OR TO A RESIDENT OF JAPAN, EXCEPT PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF, AND OTHERWISE IN COMPLIANCE WITH, THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE LAW AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS, REGULATIONS AND MINISTERIAL GUIDELINES OF JAPAN.

### **AVAILABLE INFORMATION**

To permit compliance with Rule 144A under the Securities Act ("**Rule 144A**") in connection with the sale of the Securities, the Issuer (and, solely in the case of the Senior Notes, the Co-Issuers) under the Indenture referred to under "Description of the Securities" and the Preference Share Documents will be required to furnish upon request of a holder of a Security to such holder and a prospective purchaser designated by such holder the information required to be delivered under Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act if at the time of the request the Co-Issuers are not reporting companies under Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "**Exchange Act**"), or exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act. Such information may be obtained directly from the Issuer or through the paying agent in Ireland at the address set forth on the final page of this Offering Memorandum.

### **FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS**

Any projections, forecasts and estimates contained herein are forward looking statements and are based upon certain reasonable assumptions. Projections are necessarily speculative in nature, and it can be expected that some or all of the assumptions underlying the projections will not materialize or will vary significantly from actual results. Accordingly, the projections are only an estimate. Actual results may vary from the projections, and the variations may be material. Consequently, the inclusion of projections herein should not be regarded as a representation by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Initial Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates or any other person or entity of the results that will actually be achieved by the Issuer. None of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser and their respective Affiliates has any obligation to update or otherwise revise any projections, including any revisions to reflect changes in economic conditions or other circumstances arising after the date hereof or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events, even if the underlying assumptions do not come to fruition.

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## SUMMARY OF TERMS

*The following summary of terms does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by, and should be read in conjunction with, the more detailed information appearing elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum and the documents referred to in this Offering Memorandum. A Glossary and an Index of Defined Terms appear at the back of this Offering Memorandum.*

### Principal Terms of the Securities

	Class A Notes	Class B Notes	Class C Notes	Class D Notes	Class E Notes	Class I Preference Shares	Class II Preference Shares
Type	Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Extendable	Extendable
Issuer(s)	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Issuer	Issuer	Issuer
Principal Amount / Face Amount (U.S.\$) <sup>1</sup>	\$730,000,000	\$60,000,000	\$50,000,000	\$40,000,000	\$40,000,000	\$20,000,000	\$60,000,000
Stated Maturity / Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date <sup>3</sup>	November 1, 2021						
Expected Average Life <sup>2</sup>	8.5	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	N/A	N/A
Minimum Denominations (U.S.\$) (Integral Multiples)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$100,000 (\$1,000)	\$100,000 (\$1,000)
Applicable Investment Company Act of 1940 Exemption	3(c)(7)						
Expected Initial Ratings							
Moody's	"Aaa"	"Aa2"	"A2"	"Baa2"	"Ba2"	N/A	N/A
S&P	"AAA"	"AA"	"A"	"BBB"	"BB"	N/A	N/A
Note Interest Rate	LIBOR + 0.63%	LIBOR + 1.10%	LIBOR + 1.75%	LIBOR + 2.75%	LIBOR + 5.00%	N/A	N/A
Fixed or Floating Rate	Floating	Floating	Floating	Floating	Floating	N/A	N/A
Pricing Date	November 9, 2007						
Closing Date	December 20, 2007						
Payment Date	each February 1, May 1, August 1 and November 1 (or if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day)						
First Payment Date	August 1, 2008						
Record Date	15 days prior to the applicable Payment Date						
Frequency of Payments	Quarterly: February, May, August and November						
Day Count	Actual/360	Actual/360	Actual/360	Actual/360	Actual/360	N/A	N/A
Priority Class	None	A	A, B	A, B, C	A, B, C, D	A, B, C, D, E	A, B, C, D, E
Junior Class	B, C, D, E, Preference Shares	C, D, E, Preference Shares	D, E, Preference Shares	E, Preference Shares	Preference Shares	None	None
Deferred Interest	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A
Form of Securities:							
Global	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Certificated	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
CUSIPS Rule 144A	393647AA0	393647AB8	393647AC6	393647AD4	39364PAA0	39364P201	39364P300
CUSIPS Reg S	G27536AA2	G27536AB0	G27536AC8	G27536AD6	N/A	N/A	N/A
ISIN Reg S	USG27536AA22	USG27536AB05	USG27536AC87	USG27536AD60	N/A	N/A	N/A
CUSIPS Reg D	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	39364PAB8	N/A	N/A
Euroclear Common Code	33655436	33655444	33655479	33655487	N/A	N/A	N/A
Clearing Method:							
Rule 144A	DTC	DTC	DTC	DTC	Physical	Physical	Physical
Reg S	Euroclear	Euroclear	Euroclear	Euroclear	Physical	Physical	Physical
Certificated	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Rule 144A/ Reg D	Rule 144A	Rule 144A

- 1 The Preference Shares will be issued with a Face Amount of U.S.\$1,000 per share.
- 2 Under a hypothetical scenario in which, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (i) the Collateral consists of not less than 90% senior secured loans, (ii) the weighted average life of the Collateral is 8.3 years, (iii) 2% per annum by par amount of the Collateral Obligations experience defaults, (iv) 75% of the defaulted par amount on loans is recovered immediately and (v) 25% prepayments on the loans occur, the average life of each Class of the Notes will be as set forth in this table. The assumptions set forth above are not predictive or a forecast. They may not necessarily reflect historical performance and defaults for loans. The actual average lives may vary from the foregoing approximations. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary".
- 3 The Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares are subject to multiple extensions to the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (in the case of the Notes) and the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (in the case of the Preference Shares), if the Issuer provides timely notice and the Extension Conditions are satisfied. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary," "—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected," "Maturity and Prepayment Considerations" and "Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date."

Greenbriar CLO, Ltd. (the "**Issuer**") and Greenbriar CLO Corp. (the "**Co-Issuer**" and, together with the Issuer, the "**Co-Issuers**") will issue the Class A Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2021 (the "**Class A Notes**"), the Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2021 (the "**Class B Notes**"), the Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2021 (the "**Class C Notes**") and the Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2021 (the "**Class D Notes**" and, together with the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes, the "**Senior Notes**"), and the Issuer will issue the Class E Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2021 (the "**Class E Notes**" and, together with the Senior Notes, the "**Notes**"), the Class I Preference Shares (the "**Class I Preference Shares**") and the Class II Preference Shares (the "**Class II Preference Shares**" and, together with the Class I Preference Shares, the "**Preference Shares**" and, together with the Notes, the "**Securities**"), U.S.\$0.01 par value per share.

The Senior Notes will be limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer and non-recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuer. The Class E Notes will be limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer. The Notes will be issued pursuant to an indenture, dated as of December 20, 2007 (the "**Indenture**"), among the Co-Issuers and State Street Bank and Trust Company, as Trustee (the "**Trustee**").

The Preference Shares will be part of the issued share capital of the Issuer and, accordingly, will not be secured obligations of the Issuer. State Street Bank and Trust Company will act as the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the Preference Shares and will perform various administrative services pursuant to a Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date (the "**Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement**") by and between the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

The Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares will be identical in respect of rights to distributions except that the Class II Preference Shares (i) are entitled to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments from the Closing Date to

February 3, 2008 (and with respect to any Payment Date after February 3, 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion (or all) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments; *provided* that with respect to the Payment Date in August 2008 such Class II Preference Share Special Payments will, at a minimum, include amounts that would otherwise constitute a portion (representing the Class II Preference Share Percentage) of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Closing Date to February 3, 2008) and (ii) have total control with respect to the appointment and removal of the directors of the Issuer as long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is higher than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date. See "Description of the Securities—The Issuer Charter—Voting Rights."

Payments to each Holder of the Notes of each Class shall be made ratably among the Holders of the Notes of that Class in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes of such Class held by each Holder. Payments to each Holder of the Preference Shares shall be made ratably among the Holders of the Preference Shares in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Preference Shares held by each Holder (*provided* that the Class II Preference Share Special Payments shall be paid solely to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class II Preference Shares held by each Holder).

Except as provided under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments," the Class A Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes, the Class E Notes and payments of dividends on the Preference Shares; the Class B Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes, the Class E Notes and payments of dividends on the Preference Shares; the Class C Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class D Notes, the Class E Notes and payments of dividends on the Preference Shares; the Class D Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class E Notes and payments of dividends on the Preference Shares; the Class E Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to payments of dividends on the Preference Shares; and the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares will rank *pari passu* in right of dividend payments on each Payment Date except that any payments to the Holders of Class II Preference Shares of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments will have priority to the extent provided under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments."

The Securities and certain other obligations of the Co-Issuers will have the priorities of payment described under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments."

**Co-Issuers** ..... The Issuer has been incorporated and exists as an exempted limited liability company under the laws of the Cayman Islands. The Issuer's activities are limited under the Indenture to acquiring Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, entering into any Hedge Agreements, issuing the Securities and entering into certain related transactions. The Issuer has been established as a special purpose vehicle for the purpose of issuing asset-backed securities.

The Co-Issuer is organized as a corporation under the laws of the State of Delaware for the sole purpose of co-issuing the Senior Notes. The Co-Issuer has been established as a special purpose vehicle for the purpose of issuing asset-backed securities.

The Issuer will not have any significant assets other than Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, any Hedge Agreements and certain other eligible assets. The Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, the rights of the Issuer under any Hedge Agreements and other collateral will be pledged to the Trustee as security for, among other things, the Issuer's obligations under the Notes.

The Co-Issuer is not expected to have any significant assets and will not pledge any assets to secure the Senior Notes.

**Trustee** ..... State Street Bank and Trust Company will act as the Trustee under the Indenture on behalf of the Holders of the Notes.

**Servicer** ..... Certain servicing and administrative functions with respect to the Collateral will be performed by Highland Capital Management, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("**Highland Capital**" or, in such capacity, the "**Servicer**"), pursuant to the Servicing Agreement, which may be amended from time to time without the consent of the Holders of the Securities. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Servicing Agreement" and "The Servicing Agreement."

On the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares and all of the Class E Notes and (ii) the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates is expected to purchase all of the Class I Preference Shares. No assurance can be given whether HFP or the Servicer will retain such Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares and/or Class II Preference Shares for any amount of time. See "Plan of Distribution."

The Share Registrar will record in the register maintained by it which Preference Shares are held by HFP or any of its subsidiaries. Such Preference Shares will be designated by the Share Registrar as Class II Preference Shares. Any transfer of Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to



any Person other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries will require redesignation by the Issuer and the Share Registrar of such Class II Preference Shares as Class I Preference Shares. Any transfer of Class I Preference Shares to HFP or any of its subsidiaries will require redesignation by the Issuer and the Share Registrar of such Class I Preference Shares as Class II Preference Shares.

The Servicer or its Affiliates may also acquire Securities upon the occurrence of the Amendment Buy-Out Option or in connection with a Refinancing. In addition, the Servicer or its Affiliates may acquire all or any portion of any Extension Sale Securities in connection with a Maturity Extension. See "The Servicer," "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities," "—Relating to the Servicer" and "—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer," "Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out," "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Redemption by Refinancing," "Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date" and "The Servicing Agreement."

**Closing Date** ..... December 20, 2007.

**Use of Proceeds** ..... The gross proceeds of the offering of the Securities received on the Closing Date are expected to equal approximately U.S.\$967,587,000 and will be used by the Issuer to:

- purchase a portfolio of Collateral Obligations;
- fund a trust account for Revolving Loans (the "**Revolving Reserve Account**") and a trust account for Delayed Drawdown Loans (the "**Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account**") to cover any future draws on Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans;
- enter into any Hedge Agreements, as applicable;
- enter into any Synthetic Security Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the related accounts);
- repay amounts owed to the Pre-Closing Parties in connection with the financing of the Issuer's pre-closing acquisition of Collateral Obligations;
- fund the Closing Date Expense Account;
- pay certain expenses related to the transaction; and
- undertake certain related activities.

See "Use of Proceeds."

**Payment Dates** ..... Payment of interest on, and principal of, the Notes will be made by the Issuer in U.S. Dollars on the first day of each February, May, August and November of each year (or if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day), commencing on the Payment Date in August 2008, to the extent of available cash flow in respect of the Collateral in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

**Hedge Agreements** ..... At any time and from time to time on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, may enter into Hedge Agreements and will assign its rights (but none of its obligations) under any Hedge Agreements to the Trustee. See "Hedge Agreements."

**Interest Payments and  
Distributions from Interest  
Proceeds** .....

The Notes will accrue interest from the Closing Date. Interest on the Notes will be payable, to the extent of funds available therefor, on each Payment Date.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of interest due on such Class of Deferred Interest Notes that is not available to be paid ("**Deferred Interest**") in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered "payable" for the purposes of the Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for such Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest), until paid. See "Description of the Securities—Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Preference Shares from Interest Proceeds," "—Priority of Payments" and "—The Indenture—Events of Default."

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted and to the extent of available Interest Proceeds as described under clauses (22) and (24) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds;" *provided that*, in lieu of payment of such Interest Proceeds, in whole or in part, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, will have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute on any Payment Date Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value

Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be distributed on the relevant Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be increased accordingly. See "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" and "—Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement—Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities."

In addition, from the Closing Date to February 3, 2008, Holders of the Class II Preference Shares are entitled to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments. With respect to any Payment Date after February 3, 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion (or all) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments; *provided* that with respect to the Payment Date in August 2008 such Class II Preference Share Special Payments will, at a minimum, include amounts that would otherwise constitute a portion (representing the Class II Preference Share Percentage) of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Closing Date to February 3, 2008. Any Class II Preference Share Special Payment will be paid by the Issuer in accordance with the Priority of Payments described under clauses (3), (18) and (23) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds."

**Principal Payments and  
Distributions from Principal  
Proceeds .....**

The Notes will mature at par on the Payment Date in November 2021 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (the "**Stated Maturity**") and the Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed at the Redemption Price thereof by the Issuer on the Payment Date in November 2021 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (the "**Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**"), in each case unless redeemed or (in the case of the Notes) repaid in full prior thereto. The average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years from issuance until the Stated Maturity for such Notes. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary," "—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected" and "Maturity and Prepayment Considerations."

In general, principal payments will not be made on the Notes before the end of the Replacement Period, except in the following circumstances:

- in connection with the payment of Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes;
- in connection with an Optional Redemption;
- at the option of the Servicer, to effect a Special Redemption of the Notes;
- in connection with a Refinancing;
- pursuant to an Optional Redemption made in connection with a Tax Event; or
- following a mandatory redemption of the Notes caused by a failure to meet any of the Coverage Tests or a Rating Confirmation Failure.

See "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments," "—Optional Redemption," "—Special Redemption of the Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture," "—Optional Redemption—Redemption by Refinancing," "—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes" and "Security for the Notes—Ramp-Up."

No payments of principal will be made on the Class B Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class C Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class D Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class E Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes has been paid in full (other than with respect to the use of Interest Proceeds to pay principal of the Class E Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class E Coverage Tests). However, Principal Proceeds may be used to pay Deferred Interest and other amounts before the payment of principal of the Notes. See "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments."

No principal of any Class of Notes will be payable on any Payment Date other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and to the extent funds are available therefor on that Payment Date for that purpose, except that the principal of each Class of Notes will be payable in full at the Stated Maturity, unless repaid before that.

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of

the Preference Shares (including, with respect to the Class II Preference Shares, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted and to the extent of available Principal Proceeds as described under clauses (11)(A), (15) and (17) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds."

For a description of the relative priority of payments and level of subordination of the Securities and certain fees, expenses and other liabilities of the Co-Issuers, see "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments."

**Extension of the Replacement  
Period, the Stated Maturity and  
the Scheduled Preference Shares  
Redemption Date .....**

The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Replacement Period to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date up to a maximum of four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. For purposes of the foregoing, "**Extension Effective Date**" means if an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extension Effective Date (or, in the case of the first Extension Effective Date, the Payment Date in November 2012) and "**Extended Replacement Period End Date**" means, if an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Replacement Period End Date (or, in the case of the first Extension, the Payment Date in November 2018); *provided* that the "Extended Replacement Period End Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November 2030.

If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date shall automatically be extended to the Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Securities or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents (the "**Maturity Extension**"); *provided* that the Issuer will not be permitted to effect more than four Maturity Extensions. For purposes of the foregoing, "**Extended Stated Maturity Date**" means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Stated Maturity Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Payment Date in November 2025), "**Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**" means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date

after the then current Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, November 2025) and "**Extended Weighted Average Life Date**" means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Weighted Average Life Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Weighted Average Life Date, August 2021); *provided* that the "Extended Stated Maturity Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November 2037, the "Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November 2037 and the "Extended Weighted Average Life Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in August 2033.

As a condition to a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes or Preference Shares will have the right to offer to sell their Notes or Preference Shares to one or more Extension Qualifying Purchasers for purchase on the applicable Extension Effective Date.

If all Extension Conditions are satisfied and a Maturity Extension is effected, each Noteholder, other than Holders of Extension Sale Securities, will be entitled to receive the applicable Extension Bonus Payment, to the extent of available funds and as provided in the Priority of Payments. Holders of Preference Shares will not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in connection with a sale of Extension Sale Securities, all, but not part, of the Extension Sale Securities must be purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date.

See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary," "—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected," "Maturity and Prepayment Considerations," and "Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date."

**Security for the Notes.....** The Notes will be secured by a portfolio having an Aggregate Principal Balance following the Ramp-Up Period of approximately U.S.\$992,377,774 (in principal amount) and consisting primarily of Collateral Obligations and certain other debt securities, in each case having the characteristics set forth herein. The Notes will also be secured by funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, the Issuer's rights under any Hedge Agreements, any Securities Lending Agreements, the Servicing Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement. See "Security for the Notes."

The Preference Shares are unsecured equity interests in the Issuer.

**Collateral Ramp-Up Period .....** The Issuer expects that, as of the Closing Date, it will have purchased (or entered into commitments to purchase) Collateral Obligations to be included in the anticipated portfolio such that the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator will be at least U.S.\$992,377,774 as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date. The **"Ramp-Up Completion Date"** is the earlier of (i) the Business Day after the 90<sup>th</sup> day after the Closing Date, and (ii) the first day on which the following conditions are satisfied: (x) either (A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least U.S.\$992,377,774 or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer with proceeds from the sale of the Securities (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be) equals at least U.S.\$992,377,774 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date) and (y) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least U.S.\$992,377,774.

In anticipation of the issuance of the Securities, one or more Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser (the **"Pre-Closing Parties"**) are financing the acquisition of Collateral Obligations by the Issuer during the Accumulation Period. On the Closing Date, the funds advanced by each applicable Pre-Closing Party will be repaid by the Issuer with proceeds of the offering to the extent not prepaid prior thereto. In exchange for bearing the risk of loss on the Collateral Obligations acquired prior to the Closing Date, the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates will each be entitled to a share of the interest and any fees and commissions (net of any interest and other amounts payable to the Pre-Closing Parties on funds advanced by them to finance the acquisition of Collateral Obligations) paid by the obligors of such Collateral Obligations or accrued on such Collateral Obligations, from the time of purchase to the Closing Date, plus a share of the amount by which any realized net gains exceed any realized net losses on Collateral Obligations sold or fully repaid during the Accumulation Period, in each case, in proportion to the percentage of Preference Shares each such party purchases on the Closing Date. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Collateral Obligations—A Substantial Amount of Collateral Obligations Was Acquired Before the Closing Date, and the Terms of the Acquisition May Adversely Affect the Issuer."

See "Security for the Notes—Ramp-Up."

**Replacement Period; Acquisition  
of Replacement Collateral  
Obligations .....**

During the Replacement Period, the Issuer may generally (and subject to certain requirements) use Principal Proceeds received with respect to the Collateral to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria (which Eligibility Criteria include requirements

that an item of Collateral purchased by the Issuer meet the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and that the portfolio of Collateral Obligations be in compliance with the Concentration Limitations to the extent provided in the Eligibility Criteria). See "—Collateral Obligations," "—Concentration Limitations" and "Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria."

The "**Replacement Period**" will be the period from the Closing Date through and including the first to occur of:

- (i) the Payment Date after the date that the Servicer notifies the Trustee, each Rating Agency and the Administrator, in the sole discretion of the Servicer, that, in light of the composition of the Collateral, general market conditions, and other factors, the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations within the foreseeable future would be impractical;
- (ii) the Payment Date in November 2014 or, in the case of an Extension, the Extended Replacement Period End Date;
- (iii) the Payment Date on which all Notes are to be optionally redeemed or an earlier date after notice of an Optional Redemption chosen by the Servicer to facilitate the liquidation of the Collateral for the Optional Redemption; and
- (iv) the date on which the Replacement Period terminates or is terminated as a result of an Event of Default (subject to the terms of the Indenture).

No acquisition of Collateral Obligations will be made after the termination of the Replacement Period, except that (x) Unscheduled Principal Payments and (y) Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations may be used to purchase Collateral Obligations after the Replacement Period subject to the limitations described under "Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria" and "—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations." After the termination of the Replacement Period, all Principal Proceeds (other than Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations) must be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, no acquisition or disposition of a Collateral Obligation or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) shall be effected by or on behalf of the Issuer for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes.

**Collateral Obligations**..... Any obligation or security (a "**Collateral Obligation**") that, when the Issuer commits to purchase (or otherwise acquire) the obligation or security, is a Loan, High-Yield Bond, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Security with a Reference



Obligation that is a Loan, a Structured Finance Obligation or High-Yield Bond that is:

- (i) denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars and is not convertible by its obligor into any other currency;
- (ii) an obligation of an obligor Domiciled in an Eligible Country;
- (iii) an obligation that is eligible by its terms to be assigned to the Issuer and pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral;
- (iv) not an exchangeable or convertible security;
- (v) not an equity security or a component of an equity security or a security that has a component that is an equity security (other than for avoidance of doubt, a pass-through trust certificate in a trust holding Collateral Obligations that is rated by a nationally-recognized credit rating agency);
- (vi) not an obligation or security that has been called for redemption and not an obligation or security that is the subject of an Offer other than a Permitted Offer or an exchange offer in which a security that is not registered under the Securities Act is exchanged for (a) a security that has substantially identical terms (except for transfer restrictions) but is registered under the Securities Act or (b) a security that would otherwise qualify for purchase under the Eligibility Criteria;
- (vii) an obligation that (a) has a Moody's Rating (including any estimated or confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored) and (b) has an S&P Rating (including any confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored), which S&P Rating does not have a "p", "pi", "q", "r", "t" or "f" subscript unless S&P otherwise authorizes in writing;
- (viii) an obligation that is a Finance Lease (if it is a lease) and the Rating Condition with respect to S&P has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;
- (ix) (a) an obligation that is not a Current-Pay Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation and (b) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that has a Moody's Rating of "Caa1" or lower or an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower, an obligation for which the Servicer has certified in writing that such Collateral Obligation is not a Credit Risk Obligation;

- (x) an obligation that (unless it is a High-Yield Bond) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness for borrowed money of the applicable issuer; *provided* that for the avoidance of doubt, this clause shall not prohibit the inclusion as Collateral Obligations of Subordinated Lien Loans or Second Lien Loans;
- (xi) an obligation that (a) (unless it is a PIK Security) bears simple interest payable in cash no less frequently than annually at a fixed or floating rate that is paid on a periodic basis on an unleveraged basis and, in the case of a floating rate, computed on a benchmark interest rate plus or minus a spread, if any (which may vary under the terms of the obligation) and (b) provides for a fixed amount of principal payable in cash according to a fixed schedule (which may include optional call dates) or at maturity (or a fixed notional amount in the case of Synthetic Securities);
- (xii) an obligation the payment or repayment of the principal, if any, of which is not an amount determined by reference to any formula or index or subject to any contingency under the terms thereof;
- (xiii) an obligation the portion of which to be acquired (including through a Synthetic Security with respect to the Reference Obligation) does not represent, directly or indirectly, more than a 25% interest in the obligation;
- (xiv) not an obligation with a maturity later than four years after the Stated Maturity of the Notes;
- (xv) an obligation upon which no payments are subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the obligor thereof or counterparty with respect thereto is required to make "gross-up" payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax on an after-tax basis (other than withholding taxes with respect to commitment fees, facility fees or other similar fees);
- (xvi) not a Loan or Synthetic Security that would require the Issuer after its purchase of the Loan or Synthetic Security to advance any funds to the related borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty or permit the borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty to require that any future advances be made except for:
  - (A) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the Issuer deposits into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, respectively, the maximum amount of any advances that may be required of the Issuer under the related Underlying Instrument (as provided in the Indenture); and

- (B) any Synthetic Security if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Synthetic Security, the Issuer posts cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) the Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of any future advances;
- (xvii) if such obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation, such obligation:
  - (A) has been assigned a rating by both Moody's and S&P;
  - (B) has a Moody's Rating of "Ba3" or higher and an S&P Rating of "BB-" or higher; and
  - (C) has not been placed on the watch list for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P;
- (xviii) not a Loan that is an obligation of a debtor in possession or a trustee for a debtor in an insolvency proceeding other than a DIP Loan;
- (xix) with respect to an obligation that provides for the payment of interest at a floating rate, an obligation for which such floating rate is determined by reference to the U.S. Dollar prime rate or other base rate, London interbank offered rate or similar interbank offered rate, commercial deposit rate or any other index that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto;
- (xx) in the case of a Synthetic Security, the Synthetic Security is one for which the counterparty or issuer, as the case may be, has a short-term debt rating by Moody's of at least "P-1" or long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" and, if rated "A3" by Moody's, such rating is not on watch for downgrade, and a short-term debt rating by S&P of at least "A-1+" or, if no short-term rating exists, an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "AA-";
- (xxi) not an obligation that constitutes Margin Stock;
- (xxii) not a Zero-Coupon Security;
- (xxiii) not an obligation that is currently deferring interest or paying interest "in kind" or otherwise has an interest "in kind" balance outstanding at the time of purchase, which interest is otherwise payable in cash;
- (xxiv) not a security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer;
- (xxv) not an obligation the interest payments of which are scheduled to decrease (although interest payments

may decrease due to unscheduled events such as a decrease of the index relating to a Floating Rate Obligation, the change from a default rate of interest to a non-default rate of interest or an improvement in the obligor's financial condition); and

- (xxvi) not an obligation that will cause the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the pool of assets to be required to be registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act.

Pursuant to the definition of "Synthetic Security," unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event."

See "Security for the Notes—Purchase of Collateral Obligations" and "—Eligibility Criteria."

**Concentration Limitations** ..... Upon a purchase of a Collateral Obligation, the Eligibility Criteria require that each of the limits set forth below with respect to a particular type of Relevant Obligation (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) as a percentage of the Maximum Amount (the "**Concentration Limitations**") is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced:

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(1) Senior Secured Loans and Eligible Investments	≥ 90.0%
(2) Senior Unsecured Loans, Subordinated Lien Loans and Second Lien Loans	≤ 10.0%
(3) Revolving Loans and the unfunded portion of Delayed Drawdown Loans	≤ 12.0%
(4) DIP Loans	≤ 7.5%
(5) PIK Securities	≤ 5.0%
(6) High-Yield Bonds	≤ 7.5%
(7) Structured Finance Obligations	≤ 5.0%
(a) except that Structured Finance Obligations serviced by the Servicer may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 2.5%
(b) except that a single issuer together with any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) of a Structured Finance Obligation may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 3.0%
(c) except that Structured Finance Obligations that are (i) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by other collateralized loan obligations and (ii) collateralized loan obligations primarily backed by one or more credit default swaps (i.e., "Synthetics CDOs") may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column.	≤ 3.0%
(8) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States and Canada	≤ 20.0%
(9) obligors Domiciled in Canada or any single Moody's Group I Country	≤ 10.0%
(10) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group II Country	≤ 5.0%
(11) obligors Domiciled in all Moody's Group II Countries in the aggregate	≤ 10.0%
(12) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group III Country	≤ 2.5%

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(13) obligors Domiciled in all Moody's Group III Countries in the aggregate	≤ 5.0%
(14) obligors organized in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction (other than Structured Finance Obligations)	≤ 3.0%
(15) same S&P Industry Classification	≤ 10.0%
except that Relevant Obligations belonging to two S&P Industry Classifications may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 12.0%
(16) single obligor and any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties)	≤ 1.5%
except that up to each of five individual obligors and any of their Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties and any obligor under a DIP Loan) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 2.5%
(17) Fixed Rate Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(18) Pay interest less frequently than quarterly but no less frequently than semi-annually	≤ 7.5%
(19) Pay interest less frequently than semi-annually but no less frequently than annually	≤ 3.0%
(20) Synthetic Securities	≤ 20.0%
(a) except that Synthetic Securities that provide for settlement other than by physical delivery may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 5.0%
(b) except that Synthetic Securities that reference a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 5.0%
except that Synthetic Securities that reference a single vintage of such index may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 2.0%
(21) Participations including Synthetic Letters of Credit structured as a Participation ( <i>provided that no Relevant Obligations may be a Participation in a Participation</i> )	≤ 10.0%
(22) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, in the aggregate may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 20.0%
(23) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, a single Secondary Risk Counterparty	≤ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Individual Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating*
(24) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, all Secondary Risk Counterparties	≤ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Aggregate Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating**
(25) Deep Discount Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(26) CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(27) Long-Dated Collateral Obligations	≤ 2.0%
(28) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements	≤ 15.0%

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(29) Collateral Obligations providing for interest at a non-London interbank offered rate (excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, the unfunded amount of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan)	≤ 5.0%
(30) Collateral Obligations that are Loans that are part of a credit facility with a total global aggregate commitment amount of less than \$75,000,000	≤ 10.0%
(31) Synthetic Letters of Credit	≤ 5.0%
(32) Current-Pay Obligations	≤ 5.0%

\* Applicable long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P of such Secondary Risk Counterparty (using the limit for the lower of such ratings if different).

\*\* Long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P at or below a level specified in the Secondary Risk Table (using the lower of such ratings for a Secondary Risk Counterparty, if different).

Subject to the rights in certain circumstances of the Servicer to determine otherwise as set out in the Indenture, solely for the purpose of determining whether the Concentration Limitations are met, Eligible Investments and Cash will be treated as Senior Secured Loans and Floating Rate Obligations.

See "Security For the Notes—Eligibility Criteria."

#### Coverage Tests and the Retention

**Overcollateralization Test** ..... The "**Coverage Tests**" will consist of the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Tests. In addition, the Retention Overcollateralization Test, which is not a Coverage Test, will apply as described herein. See "Security For the Notes—The Coverage Tests—The Overcollateralization Tests" and "—The Interest Coverage Tests" for the formulations of these tests, which are highly detailed. The ratios on which they are based are also described under such headings. The tests will be used to determine, among other things, whether (i) Notes will be redeemed in certain circumstances as described under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments" and (ii) in the case of the Coverage Tests, Collateral Obligations may be acquired as described under "Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria."

There will not be any Coverage Test applicable to the Preference Shares.

*The Overcollateralization Tests* ..... The Overcollateralization Tests will consist of the "**Class A/B Overcollateralization Test**," the "**Class C Overcollateralization Test**," the "**Class D Overcollateralization Test**" and the "**Class E Overcollateralization Test**." Each Overcollateralization Test will be satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes if, as of any Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the specified required level for the specified Class indicated in the table below:

Test	Required Level
Class A/B Overcollateralization Test	114.5%
Class C Overcollateralization Test	109.6%
Class D Overcollateralization Test	106.1%
Class E Overcollateralization Test	104.0%

*The Interest Coverage Tests .....*

The Interest Coverage Tests will consist of the "**Class A/B Interest Coverage Test**," the "**Class C Interest Coverage Test**," the "**Class D Interest Coverage Test**" and the "**Class E Interest Coverage Test**." Each Interest Coverage Test will be satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level specified in the table below for the specified Class:

Test	Required Level
Class A/B Interest Coverage Test	114.5%
Class C Interest Coverage Test	109.6%
Class D Interest Coverage Test	106.1%
Class E Interest Coverage Test	104.0%

*Retention Overcollateralization Test..*

A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date during the Replacement Period on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Retention Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 105.0%.

**Collateral Quality Tests .....**

The Collateral Quality Tests will be used primarily as criteria for purchasing Collateral Obligations. See "Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria." The "**Collateral Quality Tests**" will consist of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Life Test, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the S&P CDO Monitor Test, as described below.

*Diversity Test .....*

The Diversity Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date, if the Diversity Score equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score.

*S&P CDO Monitor Test.....*

The S&P CDO Monitor Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive.

*Weighted Average Fixed Rate*

*Coupon Test*..... The Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 7.50%.

*Weighted Average Life Test*..... The Weighted Average Life Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the greater of (a) the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and August 1, 2017 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date and (b) three years.

*Weighted Average Moody's*

*Recovery Rate Test* ..... The Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 44.50%.

*Weighted Average Rating Factor*

*Test* ..... The Weighted Average Rating Factor Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date, if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of such Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor.

*Weighted Average S&P Recovery*

*Rate Test*..... The Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Recovery Rate for each Class of Notes is greater than or equal to: (i) with respect to the Class A Notes, 60%; (ii) with respect to the Class B Notes, 63%; (iii) with respect to the Class C Notes, 66%; (iv) with respect to the Class D Notes, 70%; and (v) with respect to the Class E Notes, 72%.

*Weighted Average Spread Test*..... The Weighted Average Spread Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread.

See "Security for the Notes—The Collateral Quality Tests."

**Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

**for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests** ..... If any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the last day of any Due Period (each, a "**Determination Date**"), funds will be used pursuant to the Priority of Payments to redeem the Notes to the extent necessary for such failing Coverage Tests to be satisfied that would otherwise be used:

- (i) to purchase additional Collateral Obligations during the Replacement Period; or
- (ii) to make interest and principal payments on the Notes and to make dividend or redemption payments in respect of the Preference Shares.



See "Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests."

**Certain Consequences of Failure to Satisfy the Retention**

**Overcollateralization Test .....** If during the Replacement Period, the Retention Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on any Determination Date, certain funds, as described under clause (19) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds," representing Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be used to make payments on the Preference Shares and pay certain subordinated expenses of the Issuer, will be deposited instead into the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds to the extent necessary to cause the Retention Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as of that Determination Date after application of Principal Proceeds as described under clause (1) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds."

**Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure .....**

No later than 10 Business Days after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer shall (a) provide certain information to S&P and Moody's as required by the Indenture and described herein and (b) notify each of the Rating Agencies in writing of the occurrence of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (each, a "**Ramp-Up Notice**") and request in writing that each of S&P and Moody's confirm in writing within 25 days of delivery of such Ramp-Up Notice that it has not reduced or withdrawn the ratings (including any private or confidential ratings) assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes; *provided, however*, that the Issuer shall not be required to request a Rating Confirmation from Moody's if, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date Moody's has received an accountants' certificate confirming (i) the Issuer is in compliance with each of the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests and the Concentration Limitations and (ii) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator of the Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owns or has committed to purchase is at least equal to U.S.\$992,377,774. If the Issuer is unable to obtain a requested Rating Confirmation from S&P or, if required, Moody's with respect to any Class of Notes on or prior to the date 25 days after the delivery of the Ramp-Up Notice, a "**Rating Confirmation Failure**" will be deemed to have occurred and shall thereafter be deemed to be continuing until the first date thereafter on which the Trustee shall have received evidence of confirmation of the Initial Ratings, on which date it shall be deemed to have been cured. If a Rating Confirmation Failure is continuing, then, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, all Interest Proceeds remaining after payment of amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (16) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" will be used to pay principal of the Class

A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes in the Note Payment Sequence on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date thereafter until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. If necessary, after the foregoing payments are made out of Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds in accordance with clause (10) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds" will be used to pay principal of each Class of the Notes sequentially in order of their priority on each Payment Date until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. See "Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure."

**Non-Call Period** ..... The period from the Closing Date to but not including the Payment Date in November 2009 (the "**Non-Call Period**").

**Optional Redemption**..... Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the applicable Required Redemption Percentage may require the Issuer or Co-Issuers, as applicable, to redeem the Notes, in whole but not in part, from Principal Proceeds and all other funds available for that purpose in the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account in accordance with the optional redemption procedures described under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption."

Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at their Redemption Price. From and after the Redemption Date the redeemed Notes will cease to bear interest.

The redemption price payable in connection with the Optional Redemption of any Class of Notes will be the sum of:

- (i) the outstanding principal amount of the Note being redeemed; *plus*
- (ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest); *plus*
- (iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note; *plus*
- (iv) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note; *plus*
- (v) with respect to the Class A Notes, any applicable Redemption Premium.

The redemption price payable in connection with the Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares will be (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the

entire remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case, as described under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption."

In addition, any Class of Notes may be redeemed in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period from Refinancing Proceeds obtained from a loan or the issuance of a replacement class of notes, subject to the written consent of a Majority of the Preference Shares (voting as a single class) and to the extent and subject to the restrictions and conditions described herein and set forth in the Indenture.

**Special Redemption**..... The Notes will be subject to redemption in whole or in part by the Issuer or the Co-Issuers, as applicable, on Payment Dates during the Replacement Period if the Servicer elects (subject to the Servicing Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the use of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (a "**Special Redemption**"). On the first Payment Date following the Due Period for which such notice is effective (a "**Special Redemption Date**"), the funds in the Collection Account or the Payment Account representing Principal Proceeds which cannot be used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (the "**Special Redemption Amount**") will be available to be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments. See "Description of the Securities—Special Redemption of the Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture."

**Additional Issuance of Preference Shares** .....

At any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the net proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations if the conditions for such additional issuance described under "Description of the Securities—Additional Issuance of Preference Shares" are met. Any amendment to the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents or any other related documents required to provide for or facilitate such additional issuance of Preference Shares will not require the consent of the Holders of Securities.

**The Offering** .....

The Senior Notes are initially being offered (i) in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act ("**Regulation S**") to non-U.S. Persons in offshore transactions ("**Offshore Transactions**") as such term is defined in Regulation S and (ii) to purchasers that are U.S. persons ("**U.S. Persons**") as such term is defined in Regulation S, that are (I) Qualified Institutional Buyers (as defined in Rule 144A)

(each, a "**Qualified Institutional Buyer**") and (II) Qualified Purchasers. Subsequent transferees of the Senior Notes must be (i) non-U.S. Persons that purchase the Senior Notes in Offshore Transactions or (ii)(a) Qualified Institutional Buyers and (b) Qualified Purchasers. The Class E Notes and the Preference Shares are initially offered and may be subsequently transferred only to purchasers that are (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers (or, solely with respect to the initial offering to certain Holders purchasing Class E Notes on the Closing Date, to an institutional Accredited Investor (as defined in clauses (1), (2), (3) or (7) of Rule 501(a) under Regulation D under the Securities Act) (each, an "**Institutional Accredited Investor**")) and (ii) Qualified Purchasers. See "Plan of Distribution" and "Transfer Restrictions."

**Form, Registration and Transfer of the Senior Notes .....**

Except as provided herein, the Senior Notes sold in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Rule 144A and Qualified Purchasers will be represented by one or more permanent global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons (each, a "**Rule 144A Global Note**") deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository. The Depository will credit the account of each of its participants with the principal amount of the Senior Notes being purchased by or through the participant. Beneficial interests in a Rule 144A Global Note will be shown on, and transfers thereof will be effected only through, records maintained by the Depository and its direct and indirect participants. See "Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Senior Notes."

Except as provided herein, the Senior Notes sold in Offshore Transactions to non-U.S. Persons in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by one or more permanent global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons (each, a "**Regulation S Global Note**," and, together with the Rule 144A Global Notes, the "**Global Notes**") which will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear or Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream at any time.

Except in the limited circumstances described herein, certificated Senior Notes will not be issued in exchange for beneficial interests in Global Notes. See "Settlement and Clearing."

Transfers of interests in the Senior Notes are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Indenture.

See "Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Senior Notes" and "Transfer Restrictions." Each purchaser of Senior Notes in making its purchase will be required to make, or will be deemed to have made, as the case may be, certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements. See "Transfer Restrictions."

**Form, Registration and Transfers of  
the Class E Notes .....**

The Class E Notes will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Class E Notes in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the "**Certificated Class E Notes**").

Transfers of the Class E Notes are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Indenture. See "Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Class E Notes" and "Transfer Restrictions." Each purchaser of Class E Notes in making its purchase will be required to make certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements. See "Transfer Restrictions" for more details.

**Form, Registration and Transfers of  
the Preference Shares.....**

The Preference Shares will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Preference Shares in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the "**Certificated Preference Shares**").

Transfers of the Preference Shares are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Preference Share Documents. See "Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Preference Shares" and "Transfer Restrictions." Each purchaser of Preference Shares in making its purchase will be required to make certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements. See "Transfer Restrictions" for more details.

**Ratings .....**

It is a condition of the issuance of the Securities that each Class of Notes be rated at least as indicated in the table under "—Principal Terms of the Securities" on the Closing Date.

No rating of the Preference Shares has been sought or obtained in connection with the issuance thereof.

Each of the above ratings assumes that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date.

A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning Rating Agency. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—Future Ratings of the Notes Are

Not Assured and Limited in Scope; the Preference Shares are Not Rated."

**Listing** ..... Application has been made for the Senior Notes to be admitted to the *Official List* of the ISE and trading on its regulated market. There can be no assurance that such admission will be granted or maintained. See "Listing and General Information." The issuance and settlement of the Senior Notes on the Closing Date will not be conditioned on the listing of the Senior Notes on the ISE. Furthermore, the Co-Issuers will not be required to maintain a listing on a stock exchange in the European Union if compliance with requirements of the European Commission on a member state becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer. In addition, there is currently no market for the Senior Notes and there can be no assurance that a market will develop.

**Governing Law** ..... The terms and conditions of the Preference Shares (as set forth in the Issuer Charter and the Resolutions) will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the Cayman Islands. The Notes, Indenture, any supplemental indenture, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Securities Account Control Agreement and any Hedge Agreements will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the State of New York.

**Tax Status** ..... See "Income Tax Considerations."

**Certain ERISA Considerations** ..... See "Certain ERISA Considerations" and "Transfer Restrictions."

## **RISK FACTORS**

*An investment in the Securities involves certain risks. Prospective investors should carefully consider the following factors, in addition to the matters set forth elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum, prior to investing in any Class of Securities.*

### **Investor Suitability**

An investment in the Securities will not be appropriate or suitable for all investors. Structured investment products, like the Securities, are complex instruments, and typically involve a high degree of risk and are intended for sale only to sophisticated investors who are capable of understanding and assuming the risks involved. Any investor purchasing Securities should conduct its own investigation and analysis of an investment in the Securities and consult with its own professional advisors as to the risks involved in making such investment.

### **General; Priorities of Securities**

The Issuer intends to acquire securities and other financial assets with certain risk characteristics as provided in the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement. See "Security for the Notes." There can be no assurance that the Issuer will be successful in achieving its objectives to ensure that investors receive their initial investments under the Securities and that they receive a return (and avoid any losses, including total losses) on their investment in the Securities. Prospective investors are therefore advised to review this entire Offering Memorandum carefully and should consider, among other things, the following risk factors (along with, among other things, the inherent risks of investment activities) before deciding whether to invest in the Securities.

Except as is otherwise stated below, the risk factors are generally applicable to all the Securities, although the degree of risk associated with each Class of Securities may vary. In particular, the priorities of payment of the Notes are generally in the order of their alphabetic designation from the Class A Notes (the highest priority) to the Class E Notes (the lowest priority), the priorities of payment of the Notes are higher than priorities of payment of the Preference Shares except with respect to the amount, if any, required for payment of Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

### **Relating to the Securities**

#### *The Securities Will Have Limited Liquidity*

There is currently no market for the Securities. There can be no assurance that a secondary market for any Class of Securities will develop, or if a secondary market does develop, that it will provide the Holders of the applicable Class of Securities with liquidity of investment or that it will continue for the life of such Class of Securities. In addition, each Class of Securities is subject to certain transfer restrictions and can only be transferred to certain transferees as described under "Transfer Restrictions." The restrictions on the transfer of the Securities may further limit their liquidity. The Securities are designed for long-term investors and should not be considered a vehicle for short-term trading purposes. Consequently, an investor in the Securities must be prepared to bear the risk of holding such Securities until their Stated Maturity or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. To the extent that any secondary market exists for the Securities in the future, the price (if any) at which Securities may be sold could be at a discount, which in some cases may be substantial, from the principal amount of the Securities. To the extent any market exists for the Securities in the future, significant delays could occur in the actual sale of Securities. In addition, the Securities will not be registered under the Securities Act or any state securities laws, and the Co-Issuers have no plans, and are under no obligation, to register the Securities under the Securities Act. Application has been made for the Senior Notes to be admitted to the *Official List* of the ISE and trading on its regulated market. There can be no assurance that any such admission will be granted or maintained.

*The Subordination of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes, the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares Will Affect Their Right to Payment in Relation to the More Senior Securities*

The Class B Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class B Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees and expenses) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class B Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

The Class C Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class C Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees and expenses) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class C Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class C Deferred Interest.

The Class D Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class D Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees and expenses) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class D Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class D Deferred Interest.

The Class E Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class E Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees and expenses) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class E Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class E Deferred Interest and the use of Interest Proceeds to pay principal of the Class E Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class E Coverage Tests.

No payments will be made out of Interest Proceeds on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments), until due and unpaid interest on the Notes (including any Deferred Interest) and certain amounts (including certain amounts due under any Hedge Agreements, certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees and expenses) have been paid on the Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments. No payments will be made out of Principal Proceeds on the Preference Shares (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) until principal of each Class of Notes and certain other amounts payable out of Principal Proceeds on each Payment Date have been paid in full. In addition, the Preference Shares will not be redeemed until each Class of Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

In addition, the Co-Issuers will have only nominal equity capitalization in the form of Issuer Ordinary Shares. Consequently, to the extent that any losses are suffered by any of the Holders of any



Securities, the losses will be borne first by the Holders of the Preference Shares, and then by the Holders of each Class of Notes, sequentially in inverse order of their alphabetic designations.

See "Description of the Securities."

*Interest Will Be Deferred on Deferred Interest Notes if There Are Insufficient Funds under the Priority of Payments for Payment of Interest*

So long as any Class A Notes or Class B Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class C Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes as Class C Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class C Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds.

So long as any Class A Notes, Class B Notes or Class C Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class D Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes as Class D Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class D Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A Notes, Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds.

So long as any Class A Notes, Class B Notes, Class C Notes or Class D Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class E Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class E Notes as Class E Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class E Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A Notes, Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds.

*Interest Proceeds May Be Retained in Priority to any Payments to Holders of Preference Shares*

During the Replacement Period, if the Retention Overcollateralization Test is not met on any Determination Date, a portion of the Interest Proceeds that might otherwise have been paid to the Holders of the Preference Shares on the related Payment Date will instead be deposited into the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds, as described under clause (19) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds."

*The Controlling Class Will Control Many Rights under the Indenture; However, Some Rights of the Controlling Class to Sell the Collateral in Connection with an Event of Default Are Limited*

Under the Indenture, many rights of the Holders of the Notes will be controlled by a Majority of the Controlling Class. Remedies pursued by the Holders of the Controlling Class upon an Event of Default could be adverse to the interests of the Holders of Securities subordinated to the Controlling Class. After any realization on the Collateral, proceeds will be allocated in accordance with the Priority of Payments pursuant to which the Notes and certain other amounts owing by the Co-Issuers will be paid in full before any allocation to the Preference Shares (except, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments), and each Class of Notes (along with certain other amounts owing by the Co-Issuers) will be paid sequentially in alphabetic order until it is paid in full before any allocation is made to the next Class of Notes.

The ability of the Controlling Class to direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral is subject to certain limitations. As described under "Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default,"

if an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee must retain the Collateral intact and collect all payments in respect of the Collateral and continue making payments in accordance with the Priority of Payments and in accordance with the Indenture unless either (A) the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, determines that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds," and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination or (B) the Holders of a Super Majority of each of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes direct, subject to the provisions of the Indenture, the sale and liquidation of the Collateral.

*Net Proceeds Less Than Aggregate Amount of the Securities*

It is anticipated that the proceeds received by the Issuer on the Closing Date from the issuance of the Securities, net of certain fees and expenses, will be less than the aggregate principal amount of the Securities. Consequently, it is anticipated that on the Closing Date the Collateral will be insufficient to repay the full principal amount of the Securities in the event an Event of Default were to occur under the Indenture on or shortly after the Closing Date.

In addition, during the lifetime of the transaction, except as described herein, excess interest will be distributed as dividends to the Holders of the Preference Shares, rather than being used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations. Therefore, it is highly likely that after payments of the Notes and the other amounts payable prior to the Preference Shares under the Priority of Payments, Principal Proceeds will be insufficient to return the initial investment made in the Preference Shares. Therefore, Holders of Preference Shares must rely on distributions of excess interest proceeds to achieve their expected return.

*The Issuer is Highly Leveraged, which Increases Risks to Investors*

The Issuer will be substantially leveraged. The use of leverage in acquiring assets is a speculative technique which increases the risk to holders of the Securities, particularly holders of the subordinated Securities. In certain scenarios, the Notes may not be paid in full and the Preference Shares may be subject to up to 100% loss of invested capital. The leverage provided to the Issuer by the issuance of the Securities will result in interest expense and other costs incurred in connection with the borrowings that may not be covered by the net interest income, dividends and other cash flow in respect of the Collateral Obligations. The use of leverage generally magnifies the Issuer's risk of loss, particularly for the more subordinate Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares. The Preference Shares represent the most junior Securities in a highly leveraged capital structure. As a result, any deterioration in performance of the Collateral, including defaults and losses, a reduction of realized yield or other factors, will be borne first by holders of the Preference Shares. In addition, the use of leverage can magnify the effects on the Preference Shares of a deterioration in the performance of the Collateral. In certain circumstances, such as in connection with the exercise of remedies following an Event of Default, the Controlling Class may require the Issuer to dispose of some or all of the Collateral Obligations under unfavorable market conditions, thus causing the Issuer to recognize a loss that might not otherwise have occurred. In certain circumstances, the Controlling Class are entitled to direct the sales of Collateral Obligations and may be expected to do so in their own interest, rather than in the interests of the more subordinate Classes of Securities.

*Each of the Co-Issuers Is Recently Formed, Has No Significant Operating History, Has No Material Assets Other than the Collateral and Is Limited in Its Permitted Activities*

Each of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer is a recently formed entity and has no significant operating history, other than, with respect to the Issuer, in connection with the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations during the period up to the Ramp-Up Completion Date. Accordingly, neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has a performance history for prospective investors to consider. The performance of other CDO vehicles serviced or advised by the Servicer should not be relied upon as an indication or prediction

of the performance of the Issuer. Such other CDO vehicles may have significantly different characteristics, including structures, composition of the collateral pool, objectives, management personnel and terms when compared to the Issuer and the Co-Issuer. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—Performance History of the Servicer May Not Be Indicative of Future Results."

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer will have any material assets other than, with respect to the Issuer, the Collateral. The Indenture provides that the Issuer is not permitted to engage in any business activity other than the issuance of the Notes, the Preference Shares and the Issuer Ordinary Shares, the acquisition and disposition of Collateral Obligations, certain activities conducted in connection with the payment of amounts in respect of the Securities and the servicing of the Collateral, and other activities incidental or related to the foregoing and that the Co-Issuer is not permitted to engage in any business activity other than the co-issuance and sale of the Senior Notes, the issuance of its share capital, and other activities incidental or related to the foregoing. Income derived from the Collateral will be the Issuer's principal source of cash.

*The Securities Are Not Registered Under the Securities Act and the Issuer Is Not Registered under the Investment Company Act*

The Issuer has not registered the Securities under the Securities Act and the Issuer is not registered under the Investment Company Act, in each case in reliance upon applicable exemptions to registration under the Securities Act and the Investment Company Act. The Issuer does not expect to register the Securities under the Securities Act nor become registered under the Investment Company Act at any time in the foreseeable future. As such, investors should be aware that the Issuer and the Securities are not subject to many of the regulatory protections and oversight applicable to securities that are registered under the Securities Act or applicable to registered investment companies.

*The Notes May Become Subject to Emerging Requirements of the European Union*

As part of the harmonization of securities markets in Europe, the European Commission has adopted a directive known as the Transparency Directive (which must be implemented by Member States in 2007) that, among other things, imposes continuing financial reporting obligations on issuers that have certain types of securities admitted to trading on an E.U. regulated market. In addition, the Market Abuse Directive harmonizes the rules on insider trading and market manipulation in respect of securities admitted to trading on an E.U. regulated market and requires issuers of such securities to disclose any non public, price sensitive information as soon as possible, subject to certain limited exemptions. The listing of Notes on the Irish Stock Exchange would subject the Issuer to regulation under these directives, although the requirements applicable to the Issuer are not yet fully clarified. Neither the Indenture nor the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement will require the Issuer to maintain a listing for any Class of Securities on an E.U. stock exchange if compliance with these directives (or other requirements adopted by the European Commission or a relevant Member State) becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer.

*The Notes Are Limited Recourse Debt Obligations; Investors Must Rely on Available Collections from the Collateral and Will Have No Other Source for Payment*

The Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer and non-recourse obligations of the Co-Issuer and the Class E Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer. The Securities are payable solely from the Collateral pledged by the Issuer to secure the Notes. None of the security holders, members, officers, directors, partners, or incorporators of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator, the Administrator, the Share Registrar, the Share Trustee, any of their respective affiliates, or any other person will be obligated to make payments on the Notes. The Issuer's ability to make interest payments and principal repayments on the Notes will be constrained by the terms of the Indenture. Holders of the Notes must rely solely on collections received on the Collateral pledged to secure the Notes and for the payment of interest and principal on the Notes, and there can be no assurance that those collections will be sufficient to pay all amounts due on the Notes. If distributions on the Collateral are insufficient to make payments on the Notes, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and, following liquidation of all of the

Collateral, the Co-Issuers will not have any obligation to pay any deficiency, which shall be extinguished and shall not revive.

*The Preference Shares are not Secured Obligations; Investors Must Rely on Available Collections from the Collateral and Will Have No Other Source for Payment*

The Preference Shares will be part of the issued share capital of the Issuer. The Preference Shares are equity in the Issuer and are not secured by the Collateral Obligations or other Collateral securing the Notes. As such, the Holders of Preference Shares will rank behind all creditors, whether secured or unsecured and known or unknown, of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the Holders of the Notes and any Hedge Counterparties (other than, to the extent described under the "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments," the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares with respect to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments). Except with respect to the obligations of the Issuer to pay the amounts described under the "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" and "—Principal Proceeds," the Issuer does not, however, expect to have any creditors though there can be no assurance that this will be the case. In addition, the Issuer is also subject to limitations with respect to the business that it may undertake. See "The Co-Issuers—Business." Payments in respect of the Preference Shares are subject to certain requirements imposed by Cayman Islands law. Any amounts paid by the Preference Shares Paying Agent as dividends on the Preference Shares will be payable only if the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or balance in the Issuer's share premium account. In addition, dividends and the final payment upon redemption of the Preference Shares will be payable only to the extent that the Issuer is and will remain solvent after such dividends or redemption payment is paid. Under Cayman Islands law, a company is generally deemed to be solvent if it is able to pay its debts as they come due.

The Issuer's obligation to pay dividends or to make other distributions to the Holders of the Preference Shares will therefore not be a secured obligation of the Issuer and such Holders will not be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture, nor will the Trustee have any obligation to act on behalf of the Holders of Preference Shares. With the exception of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, Holders of the Preference Shares will only be entitled to receive amounts available for payment of dividends or other distributions after payment of all amounts payable on each Class of Notes and certain other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments and only to the extent of distributable profits of the Issuer and/or any balance in the Issuer's share premium account and (in each case) only to the extent that the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distributions.

To the extent the requirements under Cayman Islands law described in the preceding paragraphs are not met, amounts otherwise payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares (with the exception of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) will be retained in the Preference Shares Distribution Account until, in the case of dividends, the next succeeding Payment Date on which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent such requirements are met and, in the case of any payment on redemption of the Preference Shares, the next succeeding Business Day on which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent such requirements are met. Amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account will not be available to pay amounts due to the Holders of the Notes, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Servicer, any Hedge Counterparty or any other creditor of the Issuer whose claim is limited in recourse to the Collateral. However, amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account may be subject to the claims of creditors of the Issuer that have not contractually limited their recourse to the Collateral. The Indenture and the Preference Share Documents will limit the Issuer's activities to the issuance and sale of the Securities, the acquisition and disposition of the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments and the other activities related to the issuance and sale of the Securities described under the "The Co-Issuers." The Issuer therefore does not expect to have any significant full recourse liabilities that would be payable out of amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

*The Issuer May Distribute Eligible Equity Securities to the Holders of the Preference Shares in Lieu of Cash*

The Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, may direct the Trustee to distribute Eligible Equity Securities, in lieu of a distribution of Interest Proceeds, in whole or in part, to the Holders of the

Preference Shares who consent to such distribution with respect to any applicable Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities, determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date, is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be distributed to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares on the relevant Payment Date. The Market Value of any Eligible Equity Securities is subject to fluctuations and may increase or decrease following any distribution of such Eligible Equity Securities to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares, which, in certain circumstances, may result in the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares receiving overall a higher or lower internal rate of return compared with the internal rate of return received by the Holders of the Preference Shares who have not accepted any distribution of the Eligible Equity Securities.

*The Issuer May Not Be Able to Apply Available Funds to Acquire Appropriate Collateral*

The amount of Collateral Obligations purchased on the Closing Date, the amount and timing of the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations before the Ramp-Up Completion Date, and the subsequent application of Principal Proceeds, will affect the cash flows available to make payments on, and the return to the Holders of, the Securities. Reduced liquidity and relatively lower volumes of trading in certain Collateral Obligations, in addition to restrictions on acquisition represented by the Eligibility Criteria, could result in periods during which the Issuer is not able to fully utilize its available cash to acquire Collateral Obligations, and it is unlikely that the Issuer's available cash will be fully applied in Collateral Obligations at any time. The longer the period before application of cash or cash-equivalents to acquire Collateral Obligations and the larger the amount of such cash or cash equivalents, the greater the adverse impact may be on aggregate interest collected and distributed by the Issuer, thereby resulting in lower yield than could have been obtained if the net proceeds associated with the offering of the Securities and all Principal Proceeds were immediately and fully applied. The associated risk will be borne first by the Holders of the Preference Shares and second by the Holders of the Notes (beginning with the most subordinated Class of Notes). Although the Servicer may mitigate this risk to some degree during the Replacement Period by declaring a Special Redemption, the Servicer is not required to do so, and any Special Redemption may result in a lower yield on the Issuer's assets than could have been obtained if the net proceeds from the offering of the Securities and all Principal Proceeds were immediately and fully applied and no Special Redemption had taken place.

Generally, Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations, and Sale Proceeds received on the Collateral Obligations) will be applied during the Replacement Period (and, Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, may be applied on any date after the Replacement Period, at the discretion of the Servicer) to purchase replacement Collateral Obligations or temporarily held in Eligible Investments pending purchase of replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The earnings with respect to replacement Collateral Obligations will depend, among other factors, on interest rates available in the marketplace at the time and on the availability of Collateral Obligations acceptable to the Servicer that satisfy the criteria under "Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria." The need to satisfy the criteria and identify acceptable Collateral Obligations may require the purchase of replacement Collateral Obligations having lower yields than those initially acquired or require that Principal Proceeds be held temporarily in cash or Eligible Investments, which will reduce the yield earned by the Issuer. Further, issuers of Collateral Obligations may be more likely to exercise any rights they may have to redeem them when interest rates or spreads are declining. Any decrease in the yield on the Collateral Obligations will reduce the amounts available to make payments of principal and interest on the Notes and payments on the Preference Shares.

The Issuer expects that, as of the Closing Date, it will have purchased (or entered into commitments to purchase) an Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations to be included in the anticipated portfolio equal to at least 90% of the Maximum Amount as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date. As such, on the Closing Date, the Issuer is expected to have unapplied proceeds. This will likely reduce the amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be available to distribute to the holders of the Preference Shares, particularly on the first Payment Date. If the Issuer issues additional Preference Shares after the Closing Date, the Issuer would likely have unapplied proceeds of the offering, pending

the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations. The extent to which cash balances remain unapplied will be subject to a variety of factors, including future market conditions and is difficult to predict.

#### *Valuation Information*

Neither the Issuer nor any other party will be required to provide periodic pricing or valuation information to investors.

#### *Changes in Tax Law Could Result in the Imposition of Withholding Taxes with Respect to Payments on the Securities, and the Issuer Will Not Gross-Up Payments to Holders*

Although no withholding tax is currently imposed by the United States or the Cayman Islands on payments on the Securities, there can be no assurance that, as a result of any change in any applicable law, treaty, rule, regulation, or interpretation thereof, the payments with respect to the Securities would not in the future become subject to withholding taxes. If any withholding tax is imposed on payments on any Securities, the Issuer will not "gross up" payments to their Holders.

#### *The Securities Are Subject to Substantial Transfer Restrictions*

The Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act, under any U.S. state securities or "Blue Sky" laws, or under the securities laws of any other jurisdiction and are being issued and sold in reliance upon exemptions from registration provided by those laws. No Securities may be sold or transferred unless: the sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act (for example, in reliance on exemptions provided by Rule 144A or Regulation S) and applicable state securities laws; and the sale or transfer does not cause either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral to become subject to the registration requirements of the Investment Company Act. See "Transfer Restrictions" and "Certain ERISA Considerations."

#### *Non-Compliance with Restrictions on Ownership of the Securities and Acquisition or Disposition of Collateral Obligations under the Investment Company Act Could Adversely Affect the Issuer*

Neither of the Co-Issuers has registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "**SEC**") as an investment company pursuant to the Investment Company Act in reliance on an exclusion from the definition of "investment company" under Section 3(c)(7) for companies organized under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States or any of its states whose investors residing in the United States are solely "qualified purchasers" (within the meaning given to such term in the Investment Company Act and related SEC regulations).

The Issuer and the Co-Issuer may, at any time following the Closing Date, rely on exclusion from the definition of "investment company" under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7) upon (a) receipt of an opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm providing that neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer is required to register as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act in reliance on such exclusion under Rule 3a-7 and (b) notice to the Holders of the Securities in accordance with the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. In connection with this alternate reliance, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents may be amended without the consent of any Holders to prevent the Issuer from becoming an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7). See "—The Servicer May Cause the Issuer to Amend the Indenture to Assure Compliance with Rule 3a-7 Without the Consent of the Holders of the Securities in a Manner that May Adversely Affect the Holders of Securities" below.

No opinion or no-action position with respect to the registration of either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral under the Investment Company Act has been requested of, or received from, the SEC. If the SEC or a court of competent jurisdiction were to find that the Issuer or the Co-Issuer is required, but in violation of the Investment Company Act had failed, to register as an investment company, possible consequences include the following: (i) the SEC could apply to a district court to enjoin the violation; (ii) investors in the Issuer or the Co-Issuer could sue the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, and recover any damages caused by the violation; and (iii) any contract to which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer,

as the case may be, is party whose performance involves a violation of the Investment Company Act would be unenforceable by any party to the contract unless a court were to find that under the circumstances enforcement would produce a more equitable result than non-enforcement and would not be inconsistent with the purposes of the Investment Company Act.

In addition, the Issuer's being required to register as an investment company would result in an Event of Default. See "Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default." Should the Issuer or the Co-Issuer be subjected to any or all of the foregoing, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, would be materially and adversely affected.

*Restrictions on Acquisition or Disposition of Collateral Obligations May Reduce the Earnings of the Holders of the Securities*

Rule 3a-7 imposes limitations on the ability of the Issuer to purchase or sell assets, including prohibiting the Issuer from purchasing or selling assets for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. The Indenture will restrict the Issuer from purchasing and selling assets consistent with such requirements of Rule 3a-7. Under these restrictions the Issuer may be required to hold a Collateral Obligation or precluded from acquiring a Collateral Obligation when it would have sold such Collateral Obligation or acquired such Collateral Obligation, as applicable, had it based such determination on the market value changes in the value of such Collateral Obligations. As a result, greater losses on the Collateral may be sustained and there may be insufficient proceeds on any Payment Date to pay in full any expenses of the Issuer or any amounts payable to the Trustee or the Administrator (all of which amounts are payable prior to payments in respect of the Notes) and the payments due on the Securities. See "Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations."

*The Servicer May Cause the Issuer to Amend the Indenture to Assure Compliance with Rule 3a-7 Without the Consent of the Holders of the Securities in a Manner That May Adversely Affect the Holders of Securities*

On the Closing Date, HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries will purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares. The Servicer will act as the manager for HFP. HFP may need to rely on an exception from the definition of "investment company" and the requirement to register under the Investment Company Act that in turn depends upon the Issuer not being an investment company required to register under the Investment Company Act by reason of Rule 3a-7 thereunder in lieu of the Issuer's reliance on Section 3(c)(7). It is expected that, in connection with certain capital raising activities of HFP, the SEC may consider the applicability of Rule 3a-7 to the Issuer. If it were determined that the Issuer cannot rely on Rule 3a-7, the Servicer may cause the Issuer to amend the Indenture without the consent of the Holders of the Notes and without the consent of the Holders of the Preference Shares to enable the Issuer to rely on Rule 3a-7 or to better assure compliance therewith, which could require additional limitations and prohibitions on the circumstances under which the Issuer may sell assets, on the type of assets that the Issuer may acquire out of the proceeds of assets that mature, are refinanced or otherwise sold, on the period during which such transactions may occur, on the level of transactions that may occur or on other provisions of the Indenture and could adversely affect the earnings of the Issuer and its ability to make payments on the Notes and distributions to the Preference Shares. As a condition to the effectiveness of any such amendment to the Indenture, the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer will receive (i) a Rating Confirmation with respect to such amendment and (ii) a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such amendment and assuming compliance with the Indenture as so amended, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act in reliance on such exemption under Rule 3a-7. Such nationally recognized law firm may also be acting as counsel to the Servicer, certain Holders of Notes and/or Preference Shares. The interests of any such parties may not align with the interest of other Holders of Notes and/or Preference Shares. See "Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Supplemental Indenture."

*The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary*

The Stated Maturity of the Notes is November 1, 2021 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date. The weighted average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years until their Stated Maturity. See "Description of the Securities." The weighted average life of a Class of Notes will be affected by the amount and timing of payments of principal of the Notes and the amount and timing of payments received on the Collateral Obligations. The amount and timing of payments of principal on the Notes will be affected by, among other things, any Optional Redemption of the Notes, any Refinancing of the Notes, a failure of any Coverage Test, a Rating Confirmation Failure, any failure by the Servicer to apply the proceeds of the offering of the Securities in Collateral Obligations, a redemption of the Securities made in connection with a Tax Event, any Special Redemption of one or more Classes of Notes, and an Event of Default by the Issuer in the payment of the Notes and an acceleration of the principal of the Notes in connection with an Event of Default. The occurrence of any of the foregoing unscheduled principal repayments of the Notes is, in turn, determined by the amount and timing of payments on the Collateral, which will be dependent on, among other things, the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral and the characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, including the existence and frequency of exercise of any prepayment, optional redemption, or sinking fund features, the prevailing level of interest rates, the redemption price, the actual default rate and the actual level of recoveries on any Defaulted Collateral Obligations, the frequency of tender or exchange offers for the Collateral Obligations and any sales of Collateral Obligations, dividends or other distributions received on any obligations that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange do not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, as well as the risks unique to Collateral Obligations of foreign issuers. A shortening of the average life of the Notes may adversely affect returns on the Preference Shares. See "Security for the Notes."

The Collateral Obligations actually acquired by the Issuer may be different from those expected to be purchased by the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, due to market conditions, availability of such Collateral Obligations and other factors. The actual portfolio of Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer will change from time to time as a result of sales and purchases of Collateral Obligations.

*A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected*

Under the Indenture, the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled, on each Extension Effective Date, to extend the Replacement Period (a maximum of four times) to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. Under the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents, if the Replacement Period is so extended, the Stated Maturity of the Notes (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) will be equally extended and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended without the requirement for any approval or consent of any Holders of Securities. Holders of Securities will not be able to prevent or prohibit the extension of the Stated Maturity of the Notes (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) so long as the Extension Conditions are satisfied, which include the ability of Holders of Securities to sell their Securities at the designated purchase price to a designated purchaser under the Indenture. However, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Indenture provides that Holders of Preference Shares that have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% as of the Extension Effective Date will not receive any payment in exchange for their Preference Shares sold in connection with a Maturity Extension.

As a consequence, if the Servicer elects to extend the Replacement Period and the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Holders of the Securities must either hold their Securities for a significantly longer period of time than initially expected or sell their Securities at the applicable purchase price under the Indenture.



*An Amendment Buy-Out May Result in a Shorter Holding Period Than Expected*

Any Non-Consenting Holder of Securities with respect to an amendment of the Indenture (which includes Holders that fail to respond to a consent solicitation within the applicable period) may be forced to sell its applicable Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Securities. However, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Indenture provides that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price will be zero for Non-Consenting Holders that have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% as of the date of an Amendment Buy-Out. See "Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out." Given these features, a Holder's ability to affect or influence the amendment process through voting against such amendment may be limited, while the Servicer's ability to affect or influence the amendment process may be enhanced.

*The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests*

If any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied on any Determination Date on which the Notes of the relevant Class are Outstanding, Interest Proceeds available on the related Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments (and, to the extent Interest Proceeds are insufficient, Principal Proceeds available on the Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments) are required to be applied to pay principal of the relevant Class of Notes (and any Classes senior to it) to the extent necessary for the relevant Coverage Test to be satisfied. The application of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to pay principal of the Notes to the extent necessary to restore the Coverage Tests to certain minimum required levels could result in an elimination, deferral or reduction in the amounts available to make distributions on the Preference Shares and interest and principal payments on one or more classes of Notes, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of the Securities.

*The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure*

If a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, Interest Proceeds and, if Interest Proceeds are insufficient, Principal Proceeds, are required to be diverted in accordance with the Priority of Payments and used to pay the principal of the Notes sequentially in order of their relative priority on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date after that until each rating is reinstated. The application of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to pay principal of the Notes to the extent necessary for one or more ratings to be reinstated could result in an elimination, deferral, or reduction in one or more payments or distributions on one or more Classes of Securities, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of those Classes of Securities.

*The Indenture Permits Special Redemption of Notes Based on the Servicer's Inability to Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations*

The Servicer is permitted under the Indenture to elect to have all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations applied to a Special Redemption of the Notes, in whole or in part, on one or more Payment Dates during the Replacement Period because it has been unable, for a period of at least 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional or replacement Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the application of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations. On the Special Redemption Date, in accordance with the Indenture, the Special Redemption Amount will be applied in accordance with "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds," to the extent available (which includes for this purpose unapplied proceeds specified by the Servicer), to pay the principal of the Notes. The application of funds in that manner could result in an elimination, deferral, or reduction of amounts available to make payments on Securities subordinate in priority to the Securities being amortized. See "Description of the Securities—Special Redemption of Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture."

*The Notes Are Subject to Optional Redemption*

Subject to satisfaction of certain conditions, on any Payment Date upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the applicable Required Redemption Percentage may require that the Notes be redeemed as described under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption." In the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Servicer may be required to aggregate Collateral Obligations to be sold together in one block transaction, thereby possibly resulting in a lower realized value for the Collateral Obligations sold. There can be no assurance that the market value of the Collateral will be sufficient for the applicable Required Redemption Percentage to direct an Optional Redemption of the Notes. A decrease in the market value of the Collateral would adversely affect the Sale Proceeds from their sale. Consequently, the conditions precedent to the exercise of an Optional Redemption may not be met. Moreover, the Holders of the Notes may not be able to invest the proceeds of the redemption of the Notes in investments providing a return equal to or greater than the return the Holders of the Notes expected to obtain from their investment in the Notes.

*The Notes are Subject to Redemption by Refinancing*

The Indenture provides that any Class of the Notes may be redeemed in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period from Refinancing Proceeds subject to the satisfaction of certain requirements. See "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Redemption by Refinancing." Accordingly, a more junior Class of Notes may be redeemed from Refinancing Proceeds in whole even if a more senior Class of Notes remains outstanding. Holders of Notes that are refinanced (or otherwise optionally redeemed) may not be able to reinvest the proceeds of such Notes in assets with comparable interest rates or maturity. An optional redemption from Refinancing Proceeds may also result in a shorter investment than a Holder of Notes may have anticipated.

*Future Ratings of the Notes Are Not Assured and Limited in Scope; the Preference Shares Are Not Rated*

It is a condition to the issuance of the Notes that they be rated as provided under "Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities." A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and is subject to revision or withdrawal at any time. There is no assurance that a rating will remain for any given period or that a rating will not be lowered or withdrawn entirely by each Rating Agency if in its judgment circumstances in the future so warrant. Any such action could have an adverse effect on the Holders of the relevant Class of Securities. If a rating initially assigned to a Class of Notes is subsequently lowered for any reason, no person is obligated to provide any additional credit support or credit enhancement. The ratings of the Notes are based on the assumption that no Maturity Extension occurs at any time.

No rating of the Preference Shares will be sought or obtained in connection with their issuance.

*Tax Considerations; No Gross-Up*

A Collateral Obligation will be eligible for purchase by the Issuer if, at the time it is purchased (or committed for purchase), either the payments thereon are not subject to withholding taxes (except for withholding taxes with respect to commitment fees and other similar fees (including, without limitation, certain payments on obligations or securities that include a participation in or that support a letter of credit) associated with Collateral Obligations constituting Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans and fees from a borrower under a synthetic letter of credit) imposed by any jurisdiction or the obligor is required to make "gross-up" payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding taxes. There can be no assurance that, as a result of any change in any applicable law, treaty, rule or regulation or interpretation thereof, the payments on certain Collateral Obligations would not become or be treated as subject to withholding taxes imposed by any jurisdiction. In addition, the IRS and the United States Department of Treasury (the "**Treasury**") have requested comments on the appropriate treatment of credit default swaps, which often are included as Synthetic Securities, and possible alternative treatments could result in withholding taxes on payments received by the Issuer. In that event, if the obligors of such Collateral Obligations were not then required to make or in fact failed to make "gross-up" payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding taxes, the amounts available to make payments on, or

distributions to, the holders of the Notes would accordingly be reduced. There can be no assurance that remaining payments on the Collateral would be sufficient to make timely payments of interest on and payment of principal at the Stated Maturity of each Class of Notes and, consequently, to make distributions to the holders of the Preference Shares. For additional tax considerations, see "Income Tax Considerations".

In the event that any withholding tax is imposed on payments on the Notes, the holders of such Notes will not be entitled to receive "gross-up" amounts to compensate for such withholding tax. In addition, upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, the Issuer may on any Payment Date, whether during or after the Non-Call Period, simultaneously redeem in whole but not in part, at redemption prices specified herein, the Notes in accordance with the procedures described under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Optional Redemption Procedures" below.

*Additional Tax.* The Issuer expects to conduct its affairs so that its net income will not become subject to U.S. federal income tax. There can be no assurance, however, that its net income will not become subject to United States federal income tax as the result of unanticipated activities by the Issuer, changes in law, contrary conclusions by the U.S. tax authorities or other causes. Investors should note that the Treasury and the IRS recently announced that they are considering taxpayer requests for specific guidance on, among other things, whether a foreign person may be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States by virtue of entering into credit default swaps. However, the Treasury and the IRS have not yet provided any guidance on whether they believe entering into credit default swaps may cause a foreign person to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States and if so, what facts and circumstances must be present for this conclusion to apply. Any future guidance issued by the Treasury and/or the IRS may have an adverse impact on the tax treatment of the Issuer. See discussion under the heading "Income Tax Considerations—Tax Treatment of the Issuer" below.

*Tax Treatment of Holders of Equity.* The Issuer will be a passive foreign investment company and may also be a controlled foreign corporation. As a result, United States holders of Preference Shares or any class of Notes treated as equity for United States Federal income tax purposes could be required to recognize income for tax purposes in excess of cash actually distributable to them ("phantom income") in a variety of circumstances and could be subject to certain other potentially adverse consequences. Each holder should consult its own tax advisor before investing.

#### *Certain ERISA Considerations*

If the ownership of the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares (or of any other class of equity interest of the Issuer, such as another class of Notes which may be characterized as equity) (the "**ERISA Equity Notes**") by Benefit Plan Investors were to equal or exceed 25% of the value of the class of equity (as determined under Section 3(42) of ERISA and the Plan Asset Regulation issued by the United States Department of Labor at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101), resulting in the assets of the Issuer being deemed to be "plan assets," certain transactions that the Issuer might enter into, or may have entered into, in the ordinary course of business might constitute non-exempt prohibited transactions under ERISA and/or Section 4975 of the Code and might have to be rescinded, at significant cost to the Issuer. Additionally, the Issuer or one or more "parties in interest" (as defined in Section 3(14) of ERISA) or "disqualified persons" (as defined in Section 4975(e)(2) of the Code) may be subject to other penalties or excise taxes with respect to such transaction. The term "**Benefit Plan Investor**" includes (a) an employee benefit plan (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) that is subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA, (b) a plan as defined in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code, (c) any entity whose underlying assets include "plan assets" by reason of any such employee benefit plan's or plan's investment in the entity or (d) as such term is otherwise defined in any regulations promulgated by the U.S. Department of Labor under Section 3(42) of ERISA.

The Issuer intends, through the use of written representations, to restrict ownership of the ERISA Equity Notes so that no assets of the Issuer will be deemed to be "plan assets" subject to ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code as such term is defined in the Plan Asset Regulation. Although the Issuer intends to restrict the acquisition of each class of ERISA Equity Notes, there can be no assurance that

ownership of the ERISA Equity Notes by Benefit Plan Investors will always remain below the 25% Limitation established under the Plan Asset Regulation. See "Certain ERISA Considerations" herein.

### **Relating to the Servicing Agreement**

#### *The Servicing Agreement May Be Amended Without the Consent of Holders of Securities Whether or Not Such Amendment Adversely Affects Holders of Securities*

The Issuer may, at the request of the Servicer, enter into an amendment or modification of the Servicing Agreement from time to time, without the consent of the Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not the interests of the Holders of the Securities are adversely affected thereby; *provided* that, with respect to any such amendment or modification, (a) the Rating Condition is satisfied and (b) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares have not objected in writing to such amendment or modification by delivering a notice to the Trustee prior to the relevant Objection Cut-Off Date. Holders of the Securities other than Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and Holders of the Preference Shares will have no ability to vote against any such amendment or modification. The ability of the Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and Holders of the Preference Shares to influence the amendment process is limited to the right of a Majority of either such Class to object as described above. To the extent that less than a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares object to the proposed amendment or modification, the Servicer may request that the Issuer enter into such amendment or modification and the Trustee consent thereto, without regard to the fact that certain Holders of the Securities may have objected to such proposed amendment or modification.

### **Relating to the Servicer**

#### *The Issuer Will Depend on the Expertise Available to the Servicer and its Key Personnel*

The performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations depends heavily on the skills of the Servicer in analyzing, selecting and monitoring the Collateral Obligations. As a result, the Issuer will be highly dependent on the financial and servicing experience of certain professionals associated with the Servicer, none of whom is under a contractual obligation to the Issuer to continue to be associated with the Servicer for the term of this transaction. The loss of one or more of these individuals could have a material adverse effect on the performance of the Co-Issuers. Furthermore, the Servicer has informed the Issuer that these professionals are also actively involved in other activities and will not be able to devote all of their time to the Issuer's business and affairs. In addition, individuals not currently associated with the Servicer may become associated with the Servicer and the cash-flow performance of the Collateral Obligations may also depend on the financial and servicing experience of such individuals. See "The Servicing Agreement" and "The Servicer."

#### *The Issuer Will Have Limited Control of the Administration and Amendment of Collateral Obligations*

The Servicer will cause the Issuer to exercise or enforce, or refrain from exercising or enforcing, its rights in connection with the Collateral Obligations or any related documents or will refuse amendments or waivers of the terms of any Collateral Obligation and related documents in accordance with its ordinary business practices as if the Servicer were administering the Collateral Obligations for its own account. The authority of the Servicer to cause the Issuer to change the terms of the Collateral Obligations will generally not be restricted by the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement. As a result, the Issuer will be relying on the Servicer's customary standards, policies and procedures with respect to the servicing of the Collateral Obligations. The Holders of the Securities and the Issuer will not have any right to compel the Issuer or the Servicer to take or refrain from taking any actions other than in accordance with its ordinary business practices.

In addition, when the Issuer holds a Participation, the Issuer generally will have no right to enforce compliance by the borrower with the loan or credit agreement or other instrument evidencing the related loan obligation, no rights of set-off against the borrower, no direct interest in the collateral supporting the loan obligation, and no right to vote with respect to amendments of, or waivers of defaults

under, the loan obligation. An acquisition by the Issuer of a Synthetic Security related to a Loan involves many of the same considerations relevant to Participations. See "—Relating to the Collateral Obligations—Loans Involve Particular Risks" and "—Synthetic Securities Involve Particular Risks" below.

A modification that would increase the commitment of a lender, reduce the interest rate, or postpone the final maturity of an obligation under a participation agreement, or release all of the collateral for an obligation, generally requires the affirmative vote of the Participating Institution for a loan in which the Issuer owns a Participation, or of the Issuer for a Loan purchased by assignment, for the increase, reduction, or postponement to be binding. The exercise of remedies may also be subject to the vote of a specified percentage of the lenders under the loan obligation. The Servicer will have the authority to cause the Issuer to consent to certain amendments, waivers, or modifications to the Collateral Obligations requested by obligors or the lead agents for participation agreements relating to Participations (subject to operating procedures intended to reduce the risk that the Issuer would be deemed to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States for United States federal income tax purposes). The Servicer may, subject to the transaction documents, cause the Issuer to extend or defer the maturity, adjust the outstanding balance of any Collateral Obligation, reduce or forgive interest or fees, release material collateral or guarantees, or otherwise amend, modify, or waive the terms of any related loan agreement, including its payment terms. The Servicer will make determinations in accordance with its servicing standards under the Servicing Agreement. Any amendment, waiver, or modification of a Collateral Obligation could postpone the expected maturity of the Notes or the expected redemption date of the Preference Shares, or reduce the likelihood of timely and complete payment of interest or principal under the Notes or a full return of an investment in the Preference Shares.

*Performance History of the Servicer May Not Be Indicative of Future Results*

Any prior results of the Servicer, and the persons associated with it or any other entity may not be indicative of the Issuer's future results. The nature of, and risks associated with, the Issuer's future assets may differ substantially from those assets historically associated with the Servicer, and the persons associated with it or any other entity. There can be no assurance that the Issuer's assets will perform as well as the past assets serviced or managed by the Servicer, and the persons associated with it or any other entity. Moreover, since the criteria that govern the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations do not govern the Servicer's activities generally, the acquisition and disposition of Collateral Obligations conducted in accordance with the criteria contained in the Indenture, and the results they yield, may differ substantially from other assets serviced or managed by the Servicer.

Other accounts, collateralized debt obligations or other funds managed or serviced by the Servicer that are similar to the Issuer ("**Other Debt Funds**") have been structured to comply with the exemption from registration under the Investment Company Act provided by Section 3(c)(7) thereunder, whereas the Issuer is also structured to comply with the exemption from registration provided by Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act and may in the future, subject to the conditions described herein, rely exclusively on such exemption from registration provided by Rule 3a-7. Rule 3a-7 requires certain additional limitations and restrictions on the buying and selling of assets of the Issuer that are not applicable to the assets of the Other Debt Funds relying on the Section 3(c)(7) exemption from registration. As a result, the Issuer's ability to react to changes in market value of the assets is more limited and the returns on the Issuer's assets and the Securities, including the returns on the Preference Shares, may not be comparable to, and may differ materially from, the performance of the Other Debt Funds.

Notwithstanding the inapplicability of the results obtained and expected to be obtained from the past activities of the Servicer, a period of increased volatility in market conditions, including interest rate environments, can have an adverse effect on the realized and unrealized returns to investors in the past products of the Servicer. There can be no assurance that current economic conditions and the effects of increased interest rate and corresponding price volatility will not adversely impact the investment returns ultimately realized by investors or continued compliance with, among other things, applicable coverage requirements described in this Offering Memorandum.

## **Relating to the Collateral Obligations**

### *In General, the Collateral Obligations Are Subject to Various Risks*

The Collateral Obligations are subject to credit, liquidity, and interest rate risks, among others. The Eligibility Criteria and the Collateral Quality Tests have been established to address certain assumed deficiencies in payment occasioned by defaults with respect to the Collateral Obligations. If any deficiencies exceed certain modeled scenarios, however, payments or distributions on the Securities could be adversely affected. To the extent that a default occurs with respect to any Collateral Obligation securing the Notes and the Issuer (on the advice of the Servicer) sells or otherwise disposes of the Collateral Obligation, it is not likely that the proceeds of the sale or other disposition will be equal to the amount of principal and interest owing to the Issuer on the Collateral Obligation.

The value of the Collateral Obligations generally will fluctuate with, among other things, the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral Obligations and, with respect to Synthetic Securities, both the financial condition of the related Synthetic Security counterparties and the obligors on or issuers of the Reference Obligations, general economic conditions, the condition of certain financial markets, political events, developments or trends in any particular industry, and changes in prevailing interest rates. Credit markets have recently experienced sharp volatility due to various factors, including increased defaults on sub-prime mortgages and related securities. Such volatility has been accompanied by increased interest rates, a tightening of liquidity and declines in prices and valuations on various classes of assets, not all of which are exposed to the sub-prime mortgage market.

The ability of the Issuer to sell Collateral Obligations before their maturity is subject to certain restrictions under the Indenture including those described under "Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations."

### *Below Investment-Grade Obligations Involve Particular Risks*

A substantial amount of the Collateral Obligations will consist of loans, bonds and other obligations that are below investment grade, including high-yield loans and securities. Those Collateral Obligations will have greater credit and liquidity risk than investment-grade obligations. They are also often unsecured and may be subordinated to certain other obligations of their issuer. The lower rating of those Collateral Obligations reflects a greater possibility that adverse changes in the financial condition of an issuer or in general economic conditions or both may impair the ability of their issuer to make payments of principal or interest. These Collateral Obligations may be speculative.

Risks of below investment-grade Collateral Obligations may include (among others):

- (i) limited liquidity and secondary market support;
- (ii) in the case of fixed-rate high-yield debt securities, substantial market place volatility resulting from changes in prevailing interest rates;
- (iii) subordination to the prior claims of senior lenders and creditors;
- (iv) the operation of mandatory sinking fund or call and redemption provisions during periods of declining interest rates that could cause the Issuer to apply premature redemption proceeds in lower-yielding debt obligations;
- (v) the possibility that earnings of the below investment-grade issuer may be insufficient to meet its debt service; and
- (vi) the declining creditworthiness and potential for insolvency of a below investment-grade issuer during periods of rising interest rates and economic downturn.

An economic downturn or an increase in interest rates could severely disrupt the market for below investment-grade obligations and could adversely affect the value of outstanding below investment-grade obligations and the ability of their issuers to repay principal and interest.

Issuers that are below investment grade may be highly leveraged and may not have available to them more traditional methods of financing. The risk associated with obligations of below investment-grade issuers is generally greater than is the case with investment-grade issuers. For example, during an economic downturn or a sustained period of rising interest rates, below investment-grade issuers may be more likely to experience financial stress, especially if they are highly leveraged. During those periods, timely service of debt obligations may also be adversely affected by specific issuer developments, or the issuer's inability to meet specific projected business forecasts or the unavailability of additional financing. The risk of loss from default by the issuer is significantly greater for the holders of below investment-grade obligations because those obligations may be unsecured and may be subordinated to obligations owed to other creditors of the issuer. Further, bankruptcy and similar laws applicable to issuers of the Collateral Obligations may limit the amount of any recovery in respect of a Collateral Obligation if its issuer is insolvent and may also adversely affect the timing of receipt of any recovery to which the Issuer may be entitled. In addition, the Issuer may incur additional expenses to the extent it is required to seek recovery upon a default on such an obligation or participate in its restructuring.

As a result of the limited liquidity of below investment-grade obligations, their prices have at times experienced significant and rapid decline when a substantial number of holders decided to sell. In addition, it may be difficult or impossible for the Issuer to dispose of certain below investment-grade obligations in a timely manner because there may be a thin trading market for them. Even if it is possible to dispose of such Collateral Obligations, it is unlikely that the proceeds of such disposition would equal the unpaid principal and interest thereof. To the extent that a secondary trading market for below investment-grade obligations does exist, it is generally not as liquid as the secondary market for highly rated obligations. Reduced secondary market liquidity may have an adverse impact on the Issuer's ability to dispose of particular Collateral Obligations in response to a specific economic event, such as a deterioration in the creditworthiness of the issuer of the Collateral Obligation.

All risks associated with the Issuer's purchase of such Collateral Obligations will be borne by the holders of the Securities in reverse order of seniority, beginning with the Preference Shares as the most junior Class.

#### *Limitations of Portfolio Diversification*

The Indenture will require that certain levels of diversification are maintained or improved in connection with purchases of Collateral Obligations. The Collateral Obligations are expected to consist primarily of below investment grade debt obligations. To the extent that below investment grade debt obligations as an asset class generally underperform or experience increased levels of credit losses or market volatility, the Collateral Obligations will likely experience credit losses and losses in connection with sales even with significant issuer and industry diversification. In addition, given the leveraged capital structure of the Issuer, any losses resulting from defaults and/or trading losses will be borne first by the Preference Shares, as the most junior Class. Because the value of the obligations of any single issuer or industry sector will represent a higher percentage of the issuance price, as the case may be, of the Preference Shares (or any other junior Class) than it represents in relation to the aggregate principal amount of the total portfolio, there can be no assurance that the diversification guidelines of the Indenture will be effective in minimizing losses on the junior Classes of Securities, particularly the Preference Shares.

#### *Loans Involve Particular Risks*

The Collateral Obligations will consist primarily of Dollar-denominated senior secured and senior unsecured loans, which are required by the Indenture to be obligations of corporations, partnerships, or other entities organized under the laws of the United States (or any of its states) or of foreign obligors meeting specified criteria, or Synthetic Securities the Reference Obligations of which are such loans. See "Security for the Notes—Collateral Obligations."

Loans may become non-performing for a variety of reasons. Non-performing loans may require substantial workout negotiations or restructuring that may entail, among other things, a substantial reduction in the interest rate or a substantial write-down of the principal of a loan. In addition, because of the unique and customized nature of a loan agreement and the private syndication of a loan, loans typically may not be purchased or sold as easily as publicly traded securities, and historically the trading volume in the bank term loan market has been small relative to the corporate bond market. Loans may encounter trading delays due to their unique and customized nature, and transfers may require the consent of an agent bank or borrower. Consequently, there can be no assurance that there will be any market for any Loan if the Issuer is required to sell or otherwise dispose of such Loan. Depending on the terms of the underlying loan documentation, consent of the borrower may be required for an assignment, and a purported assignee may not have any direct right to enforce compliance by the obligor with the terms of the loan agreement in the absence of this consent.

The Issuer may acquire interests in loans either directly (by assignment) or indirectly (by Participation or through Synthetic Securities). The Issuer may not originate any loans. The purchaser of an assignment of a loan obligation typically succeeds to all the rights and obligations of the Participating Institution and becomes a lender under the loan or credit agreement with respect to the debt obligation. In contrast, a Participation acquired by the Issuer in a portion of a loan obligation held by a Participating Institution or a security or other debt obligation typically results in a contractual relationship only with the Participating Institution, not with the borrower. The Issuer would have the right to receive payments of principal, interest, and any fees to which it is entitled under a Participation only from the Participating Institution and only upon receipt by the Participating Institution of those payments from the borrower. Participating Institutions commonly reserve the right to administer the Participations sold by them as they see fit (unless their actions constitute gross negligence or willful misconduct) and to amend the documentation evidencing the obligations in all respects. However, most participation agreements provide that the Participating Institutions may not vote in favor of any amendment, modification or waiver that forgives principal, interest or fees, reduces principal, interest or fees that are payable, postpones any payment of principal (whether a scheduled payment or a mandatory prepayment), interest or fees or releases any material guarantee or security without the consent of the participant (at least to the extent the participant would be affected by any such amendment, modification or waiver). Participating Institutions voting in connection with a potential waiver of a restrictive covenant may have interests different from those of the Issuer, and such Participating Institutions might not consider the interests of the Issuer in connection with their votes. In addition, many participation agreements that provide voting rights to the holder of the Participation further provide that if the holder does not vote in favor of amendments, modifications or waivers, the selling lender may repurchase such Participation at par. The Issuer will be subject to restrictions on the amount of Participations that may be acquired for inclusion in the Collateral. See "Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria."

Holders of Participations are subject to additional risks not applicable to a holder of a direct interest in a loan. In the event of the insolvency of the Participating Institution, under the laws of the United States and the various States thereof, a holder of a Participation may be treated as a general creditor of the Participating Institution and may not have any exclusive or senior claim with respect to the Participating Institution's interest in, or the collateral with respect to, the loan. Consequently, the holder of a Participation will be subject to the credit risk of the Participating Institution as well as of the borrower. Participants also often do not benefit from the collateral (if any) supporting the loans in which they have a participation interest because Participations often do not provide a purchaser with direct rights to enforce compliance by the borrower with the terms of the loan agreement or any rights of set-off against the borrower. The Servicer is not required, and does not expect, to perform independent credit analyses of the Participating Institutions.

Certain of the loans in the Issuer's portfolio may be unsecured or secured by collateral worth less than the outstanding balance of the loan. In addition to the general risks associated with loans described above, unsecured loans will not be secured by substantial collateral or any collateral and secured loans may be substantially under-secured. Without collateral and with materially inadequate collateral, the ability of the holder of the loan to recover amounts due from the borrower may be substantially limited.



### *Risks Associated with Applying Proceeds of Dispositions*

The Issuer's income will decline if and when the Issuer applies the proceeds from matured, prepaid, sold or called Collateral Obligations into lower yielding instruments. A decline in income will affect the amount available for distributions on the Securities. Subject to criteria described herein, the Servicer will have discretion to use Principal Proceeds to purchase Collateral Obligations in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria and other requirements for the acquisition of Collateral Obligations described herein. The yield with respect to such Collateral Obligations will depend on, among other factors, interest rates available at the time, the availability of assets satisfying the Eligibility Criteria and acceptable to the Servicer, and market conditions related to leveraged Loans and high yield bonds in general. The need to satisfy the Eligibility Criteria and other requirements for the acquisition of Collateral Obligations described herein and identify acceptable assets may require the purchase of Collateral Obligations with a lower yield than those replaced, with different characteristics than those replaced (including, but not limited to, coupon, spread, maturity, call features and/or credit quality) or require that such funds be maintained in Eligible Investments pending such replacement of Collateral Obligations, which will further reduce the yield on the Collateral Obligations. Any decrease in the yield on the Collateral Obligations will have the effect of reducing the amounts available to make distributions on the Securities, especially the most junior Class of Securities. There can be no assurance that in the event Collateral Obligations are sold, prepaid, called, or mature, yields on Collateral Obligations that are available and eligible for purchase will be at the same levels as those replaced, that the characteristics of any Collateral Obligations purchased will be the same as those replaced or as to the timing of the purchase of any such Collateral Obligations.

Leveraged Loans and privately placed high yield bonds are not as easily (or as quickly) purchased or sold as publicly traded securities for a variety of reasons, including confidentiality requirements with respect to obligor information, the customized non-uniform nature of loan agreements and private syndication. The reduced liquidity and lower volume of trading in such debt obligations, in addition to restrictions on purchase represented by the Eligibility Criteria, could result in periods of time during which the Issuer is not able to fully apply its cash to purchase Collateral Obligations. The longer the period before the application of cash to purchase Collateral Obligations, the greater the adverse impact will be on aggregate Interest Proceeds collected and distributed by the Issuer, including on the Securities, especially the most junior Class of Securities, thereby resulting in lower yields than could have been obtained if proceeds were immediately applied. In addition, leveraged Loans are often prepayable by the borrowers with no, or limited, penalty or premium. As a result, leveraged Loans generally prepay more frequently than other corporate obligations of the same borrower. Senior leveraged Loans usually have shorter terms than more junior obligations and often require mandatory repayments from excess cash flow, asset dispositions and offerings of debt and/or equity securities. The increased levels of prepayments and amortization of leveraged Loans increase the associated replacement risk on the Collateral Obligations which risk will first be borne by holders of the Securities, beginning with the Preference Shares as the most junior Class.

### *Defaults and Market Volatility*

To the extent that a default occurs with respect to any Collateral Obligation and the Issuer sells or otherwise disposes of that Collateral Obligation, it is likely that the proceeds will be less than its unpaid principal, interest or its purchase price. This could have a material adverse effect on the payments on the Securities. The Issuer also may incur additional expenses to the extent it is required to seek recovery after a default or participate in the restructuring of an obligation. Even in the absence of a default with respect to any of the Collateral Obligations, the market value of the Collateral Obligation at any time will vary, and may vary substantially, from the price at which that Collateral Obligation was initially purchased and from the principal amount of such Collateral Obligation, due to market volatility, changes in relative credit quality, general economic conditions, the level of interest rates, changes in exchange rates, the supply of below investment grade debt obligations and other factors that are difficult to predict. In addition, the Indenture places significant restrictions on the Servicer's ability to buy and sell Collateral Obligations which restrictions may be greater if amendments are made to assure compliance with Rule 3a-7. See "—The Servicer May Cause the Issuer to Amend the Indenture to Assure Compliance with Rule 3a-7 Without the Consent of the Holders of the Securities in a Manner that May Adversely Affect the Holders of Securities".

The market price of below investment grade debt obligations may from time to time experience significant volatility. During certain periods, this market has experienced significant volatility with respect to market prices, a significant increase in issues trading at distressed levels, a significant increase in default rates, and a significant decrease in recovery rates. No assurance can be given that volatility in the below investment grade debt market will not continue in the future. Such volatility can adversely impact the liquidity, market prices and other performance characteristics of leveraged Loans and high yield bonds.

#### *Structured Finance Obligations Involve Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of Structured Finance Obligations. Structured Finance Obligations may present risks similar to those of the other types of Collateral Obligations which the Issuer may purchase and, in fact, the risks may be of greater significance in the case of Structured Finance Obligations. Moreover, purchasing Structured Finance Obligations may entail a variety of unique risks. Among other risks, Structured Finance Obligations may be subject to prepayment risk, credit risk, liquidity risk, market risk, structural risk, legal risk and interest rate risk (which may be exacerbated if the interest rate payable on a Structured Finance Obligation changes based on multiples of changes in interest rates or inversely to changes in interest rates). In addition, certain Structured Finance Obligations (particularly subordinated collateralized bond obligations) may provide that non-payment of interest is not an event of default in certain circumstances and the holders of the securities will therefore not have available to them any associated default remedies. During the period of non-payment, unpaid interest will generally be capitalized and added to the outstanding principal balance of the related security. Furthermore, the performance of a Structured Finance Obligation will be affected by a variety of factors, including its priority in the capital structure of its issuer, the availability of any credit enhancement, the level and timing of payments and recoveries on and the characteristics of the underlying receivables, loans, or other assets that are being securitized, bankruptcy remoteness of those assets from the originator or transferor, the adequacy of and ability to realize on any related collateral, and the skill of the manager or the servicer of the Structured Finance Obligation in managing or servicing securitized assets. The price of a Structured Finance Obligation, if required to be sold, may be subject to certain market and liquidity risks for securities of its type at the time of sale. In addition, Structured Finance Obligations may involve initial and ongoing expenses above the costs associated with the related direct purchases.

#### *Synthetic Securities Involve Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of Synthetic Securities the Reference Obligations of which are Loans, Structured Finance Obligations or High-Yield Bonds. Acquiring these types of assets through the purchase of Synthetic Securities present risks in addition to those inherently associated with direct purchases of such assets. With respect to Synthetic Securities, the Issuer will usually have a contractual relationship only with the counterparty of the Synthetic Security, and not the reference obligor on the Reference Obligation. The Issuer will have no right to enforce compliance by the reference obligor with the Reference Obligation nor any rights of set-off against the reference obligor, nor have any voting or other consensual rights of ownership with respect to the Reference Obligation. The Issuer will not directly benefit from any collateral supporting the Reference Obligation and will not have the benefit of the remedies that would normally be available to a holder of the Reference Obligation.

In addition, in the event of the insolvency of the Synthetic Security Counterparty, the Issuer will be treated as a general creditor of the counterparty and will not have any claim of title with respect to the Reference Obligation. Consequently, the Issuer will be subject to the credit risk of the counterparty as well as that of the reference obligor and concentrations of Synthetic Securities entered into with any one counterparty will subject the Securities to an additional degree of risk with respect to defaults by that counterparty. One or more Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser may act as counterparty with respect to all or a portion of the Synthetic Securities, which relationship may create certain conflicts of interest. See "—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Initial Purchaser" below. In addition, Synthetic Securities may involve initial and ongoing expenses above the costs associated with the related direct acquisitions. The Issuer will be subject to restrictions on the amount of Synthetic Securities it may own at any one time.

*Some of the Collateral Obligations Will Be Illiquid*

Some of the Collateral Obligations purchased by the Issuer will have no, or only a limited, trading market. The Issuer's acquisition of illiquid Collateral Obligations may restrict its ability to dispose of Collateral Obligations in a timely fashion and for a fair price, as well as its ability to take advantage of market opportunities, although the Issuer is generally prohibited by the Indenture from selling Collateral Obligations except under certain limited circumstances described under "Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations." Illiquid Collateral Obligations may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid assets. The market for below investment grade debt obligations may become illiquid from time to time as a result of adverse market conditions, regulatory developments or other circumstances. In addition, the Issuer may purchase privately placed Collateral Obligations that may or may not be freely transferable under the laws of the applicable jurisdiction or due to contractual restrictions on resale, and even if those privately placed Collateral Obligations are transferable, the prices realized from their sale could be less than those originally paid by the Issuer or less than what may be considered their fair value.

*Insolvency Considerations With Respect to Issuers of Collateral Obligations May Affect the Issuer's Rights*

Various laws enacted for the protection of creditors may apply to the Collateral Obligations. If, in a lawsuit brought by a creditor or representative of creditors of an obligor under a Collateral Obligation (such as a trustee in bankruptcy), a court were to find that the obligor did not receive fair consideration or reasonably equivalent value for incurring the indebtedness evidenced by the Collateral Obligation and, after giving effect to the indebtedness and the use of the proceeds thereof, the obligor (i) was insolvent, (ii) was engaged in a business for which the remaining assets of the obligor constituted unreasonably small capital or (iii) intended to incur, or believed that it would incur, debts beyond its ability to pay them as they mature, the court could determine to invalidate, in whole or in part, the indebtedness as a fraudulent conveyance, to subordinate the indebtedness to existing or future creditors of the obligor, or to recover amounts previously paid by the obligor in satisfaction of the indebtedness. There can be no assurance as to what standard a court would apply to determine whether the obligor was "insolvent" or that, regardless of the method of valuation, a court would not determine that the obligor was "insolvent," in each case, after giving effect to the incurrence of the Collateral Obligation and the use of its proceeds. In addition, in the event of the insolvency of an obligor under a Collateral Obligation, payments made on the Collateral Obligation may be subject to avoidance as a "preference" if made within a certain period before insolvency (which may be as long as approximately one year).

In general, if payments on a Collateral Obligation are avoidable, whether as fraudulent conveyances or preferences, the payments can be recaptured either from the initial recipient (such as the Issuer) or from subsequent transferees of the payments (such as the Holders of the Securities). To the extent that any payments are recaptured from the Issuer, the resulting reduction in payments on the Securities will be borne by the Holders of the Securities beginning with the Preference Shares as the most junior Class of Securities. A court in a bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding would be able to direct the recapture of any payment from a Holder of the Securities to the extent that the court has jurisdiction over the Holder or its assets. Since there is no judicial precedent relating to structured securities such as the Securities, there can be no assurance that a Holder of Securities will be able to avoid recapture on this basis.

The preceding discussion is based on principles of United States federal and state laws. Insofar as Collateral Obligations that are obligations of non-United States obligors are concerned, the laws of certain foreign jurisdictions may provide for avoidance remedies under factual circumstances similar to, or broader or narrower than, those described above, with consequences that may or may not be analogous to those described above under United States federal and state laws.

Collateral Obligations consisting of obligations of non-U.S. issuers may be subject to various laws enacted in their home countries for the protection of debtors or creditors, which could adversely affect the Issuer's ability to recover amounts owed. These insolvency considerations will differ depending on the country in which each issuer is located and may differ depending on whether the issuer is a non-sovereign or a sovereign entity.

*International Collateral Obligations Involve Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of obligations of obligors Domiciled outside the United States. Acquiring assets outside the United States may involve greater risks than acquiring assets in the United States. These risks may include: less publicly available information; varying levels of governmental regulation and supervision; and the difficulty of enforcing legal rights in a foreign jurisdiction and uncertainties as to the status, interpretation and application of laws. Moreover, foreign companies may be subject to accounting, auditing, and financial reporting standards, practices, and requirements different from those applicable to U.S. companies.

There generally is less governmental supervision and regulation of exchanges, brokers and issuers in foreign countries than there is in the United States. For example, there may be no comparable provisions under certain foreign laws with respect to insider trading and similar investor protection securities laws that apply with respect to securities transactions consummated in the United States.

Foreign markets also have different clearance and settlement procedures, and in certain markets there have been times when settlements have failed to keep pace with the volume of securities transactions, making it difficult to conduct transactions. Delays in settlement could result in periods when assets of the Issuer are unapplied and no return is earned on them. The inability of the Issuer to make intended purchases of Collateral Obligations due to settlement problems or the risk of intermediary counterparty failures could cause the Issuer to miss opportunities to acquire Collateral Obligations. The inability to dispose of a Collateral Obligation due to settlement problems could result either in losses to the Issuer due to subsequent declines in the value of the Collateral Obligation or, if the Issuer has entered into a contract to sell the security, could result in possible liability to the purchaser. Transaction costs of buying and selling foreign securities, including brokerage, tax, and custody costs, also are generally higher than those involved in domestic transactions. Furthermore, foreign financial markets, while generally growing in volume, have, for the most part, substantially less volume than U.S. markets, and securities of many foreign companies are less liquid and their prices more volatile than securities of comparable domestic companies.

In certain foreign countries there is the possibility of expropriation, nationalization, or confiscatory taxation; limitations on the convertibility of currency or the removal of securities, property, or other assets of the Issuer; political, economic, or social instability; or adverse diplomatic developments, each of which could have an adverse effect on the Issuer's purchase of Collateral Obligations in the foreign countries (which may make it more difficult to pay Dollar-denominated obligations such as the Collateral Obligations). The economies of individual non-U.S. countries may also differ favorably or unfavorably from the U.S. economy in such respects as growth of gross domestic product, rate of inflation, volatility of currency exchange rates, depreciation, capital reinvestment, resource self-sufficiency and balance of payments position.

*Lender Liability Considerations and Equitable Subordination Can Affect the Issuer's Rights with Respect to Collateral Obligations*

In recent years, a number of judicial decisions in the United States have upheld the right of borrowers to sue lenders and bondholders on the basis of various evolving legal theories (collectively termed "**lender liability**"). Generally, lender liability is founded on the premise that a lender has violated a duty (whether implied or contractual) of good faith and fair dealing owed to the debtor or has assumed a degree of control over the debtor resulting in the creation of a fiduciary duty owed to the debtor or its other creditors or shareholders. Because of the nature of the Collateral Obligations, the Issuer may be subject to allegations of lender liability. In addition, under common law principles that in some cases form the basis for lender liability claims, a court may elect to subordinate the claim of the offending lender to the claims of the disadvantaged creditors, a remedy called "equitable subordination," if a lender: (i) intentionally takes an action that results in the undercapitalization of a borrower to the detriment of other creditors of the borrower; (ii) engages in other inequitable conduct to the detriment of the other creditors; (iii) engages in fraud with respect to, or makes misrepresentations to, the other creditors; or (iv) uses its influence as a lender to dominate or control a borrower to the detriment of other creditors of the borrower.

Because the Collateral Obligations are primarily Loans, the Issuer may be subject to claims from creditors of an obligor that Collateral Obligations issued by the obligor that are held by the Issuer should be equitably subordinated. However, the Servicer does not intend to engage in conduct that would form the basis for a successful cause of action based on lender liability or the equitable subordination doctrine. Nonetheless, no assurances can be given that actions taken in good faith by the Servicer will not result in losses to issuers of Collateral Obligations, and that the Issuer will not be liable for any such losses. Furthermore, the Issuer and the Servicer may be unable to control the conduct of lenders under a loan syndication agreement requiring less than a unanimous vote, yet the Issuer may be subject to lender liability or equitable subordination for such conduct.

The preceding discussion is based on principles of United States federal and state laws. Insofar as Collateral Obligations that are obligations of non-United States obligors are concerned, the laws of certain foreign jurisdictions may impose liability on lenders or bondholders under factual circumstances similar to, or broader or narrower than, those described above, with consequences that may or may not be analogous to those described above under United States federal and state laws.

*Notes May Be Affected by Interest Rate Risks, Including Mismatches Between the Notes and the Collateral Obligations*

The Notes bear interest at a rate based on LIBOR as determined on the second Business Day prior to the first day of the relevant Interest Period. The Collateral Obligations will consist primarily of obligations that bear interest at floating rates, which floating rates may be different than the floating rates on the Floating Rate Notes. Accordingly, the Notes are subject to interest rate risk to the extent that there is an interest rate mismatch between the rates at which interest accrues on the Notes and the rates at which interest accrues on the Collateral. In addition, there may be a timing mismatch between the Floating Rate Notes and the Floating Rate Obligations as the interest on the Floating Rate Obligations may adjust more or less frequently, on different dates and based on different indices than the interest rates on the Floating Rate Notes. Furthermore, any payments of principal of or interest on Collateral received during a Due Period will (except to a limited extent specified in the Indenture) be held in Eligible Investments maturing not later than the Business Day immediately preceding the next Payment Date. There is no requirement that Eligible Investments bear interest at LIBOR or a similar rate, and the interest rates available for Eligible Investments are inherently uncertain. As a result of these mismatches, an increase or decrease in LIBOR for the relevant maturity could adversely affect the ability of the Issuer to make interest payments on the Notes (including due to a rise or a decline in the value of previously issued Collateral Obligations or other Collateral that bear interest at a fixed rate as LIBOR decreases or increases, as applicable) and to make distributions or final distributions on the Preference Shares. To mitigate a portion of the interest rate mismatch, the Issuer may enter into Hedge Agreements that are (in the case of Hedge Agreements entered into on or after the Closing Date) subject to a Rating Confirmation. However, there can be no assurance that the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, together with the Hedge Agreements, will in all circumstances generate sufficient Interest Proceeds to make timely payments of interest on the Notes. Moreover, the benefits of any Hedge Agreements may not be achieved in the event of the early termination of the Hedge Agreements, including termination upon the failure of the related Hedge Counterparty to perform its obligations under the Hedge Agreement. Although any Hedge Counterparty will be a highly rated institution at the time of entering into the applicable Hedge Agreement, there can be no assurance that it will meet its obligations under the applicable Hedge Agreement. In addition, the actual principal balance of any rate mismatch between the Collateral Obligations and the Notes may not exactly match the notional balance under any Hedge Agreement. All risks associated with any rate or notional balance mismatch will be borne by the holders of the Securities, beginning with the Preference Shares as the most junior Class. See "Security for the Notes—Hedge Agreements."

The Servicer may direct the Issuer to reduce the notional amount of, or otherwise adjust the terms of, any Hedge Agreement outstanding at any time, subject, in the case of any reduction or adjustment made on or after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, to obtaining a Rating Confirmation.

*The Issuer Has the Right to Engage in Securities Lending, which Involves Counterparty Risks and Other Risks*

The Collateral Obligations may be loaned for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) that have, or are guaranteed by entities that have, long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or a guarantor with those ratings at the time of the loan, of at least "A1" (and not "A1" but on credit watch with negative implications) and "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A" from S&P. See "Security for the Notes—Securities Lending." The loans must be secured by cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America, in an amount at least equal to 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value of the loaned Collateral Obligations, determined on a daily basis. However, if the borrower of a loaned Collateral Obligation defaults on its obligation to return the loaned Collateral Obligation because of insolvency or otherwise, the Issuer could experience delays and costs in gaining access to the collateral posted by the borrower (and in extreme circumstances could be restricted from selling the collateral). If the borrower defaults, the Issuer could suffer a loss to the extent that the realized value of the cash or securities securing the obligation of the borrower to return a loaned Collateral Obligation (less expenses) is less than the amount required to purchase the Collateral Obligation in the open market. This shortfall could be due to, among other factors, discrepancies between the mark-to-market and actual transaction prices for the loaned Collateral Obligations arising from limited liquidity or availability of the loaned Collateral Obligations and, in extreme circumstances, the loaned Collateral Obligations being unavailable at any price.

The Rating Agencies may downgrade any of the Notes if a borrower of a Collateral Obligation or, if applicable, the entity guaranteeing the performance of the borrower has been downgraded by one of the Rating Agencies such that the Issuer is not in compliance with the Securities Lending Counterparty rating requirements. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser or Affiliates of the Servicer, which may create certain conflicts of interest. See "—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer" and "—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Initial Purchaser" below.

*A Substantial Amount of Collateral Obligations Was Acquired Before the Closing Date, and the Terms of the Acquisition May Adversely Affect the Issuer*

In anticipation of the issuance of the Securities, one or more Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser (the "**Pre-Closing Parties**") are financing the acquisition of Collateral Obligations by the Issuer during an accumulation period before the Closing Date (the "**Accumulation Period**") pursuant to a credit agreement. On the Closing Date, the funds advanced by each Pre-Closing Party will be repaid by the Issuer with proceeds of the offering to the extent not yet prepaid prior thereto. In exchange for bearing the risk of loss on the Collateral Obligations acquired prior to the Closing Date, the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates will each be entitled to a share of the interest and any fees and commissions (net of any interest and other amounts payable to the Pre-Closing Parties on funds advanced by them to finance the acquisition of Collateral Obligations) paid by the obligors under such Collateral Obligations or accrued on such Collateral Obligations, from the time of purchase to the Closing Date, plus a share of the amount by which any realized net gains exceed any realized net losses on Collateral Obligations sold or fully repaid during the Accumulation Period, in each case, in proportion to the percentage of Preference Shares each such party purchases on the Closing Date. There can be no assurance that the market value of any such Collateral Obligation on the Closing Date will be equal to or greater than the price paid by the Issuer during the Accumulation Period, and any net losses, and, except to the extent described above, net gains, experienced in respect of any such Collateral Obligation during the period in which they were warehoused will be for the Issuer's account.

A portion of the portfolio of the Collateral Obligations acquired by the Issuer during the Accumulation Period were purchased from funds serviced or managed by the Servicer or its Affiliates. The prices at which the Collateral Obligations were conveyed from such funds serviced or managed by the Servicer or its Affiliates to the Issuer were determined by the Servicer primarily by reference to the average of bid and ask prices with respect to such Collateral Obligations from third party pricing services.

## Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest

### *In General, the Transaction Will Involve Various Potential and Actual Conflicts of Interest*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise from the overall servicing, advisory and other activities of the Servicer and its Affiliates and from the conduct by the Initial Purchaser and their respective Affiliates of other transactions with the Issuer, including acting as counterparty with respect to Hedge Agreements, Securities Lending Agreements, and Synthetic Securities. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

### *The Holders of the Class II Preference Shares Control Appointment and Removal of Directors of the Issuer*

HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares on the Closing Date. Class II Preference Shares will control the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer as long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is higher than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date. The Class I Preference Shares will have no voting rights with respect to the appointment or removal of directors. If the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date does not exceed the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date, the Issuer Ordinary Shares will be entitled to vote with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer. As of the Closing Date, the Class II Preference Shares Outstanding will constitute a Majority of the Preference Shares Outstanding. Any transfer of Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to any Person other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries will require redesignation by the Share Registrar of such Class II Preference Shares as Class I Preference Shares. If at any time, due to such redesignation upon sale of any Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding is reduced so that it is equal to or lower than the number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding, Class II Preference Shares will automatically become non-voting shares and will no longer be entitled to vote with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer (and, in such case, the directors will be appointed in accordance with the definition of "Board of Directors").

As long as Class II Preference Shares retain the voting rights with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer, HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries that have purchased such Class II Preference Shares will be able to appoint and remove any of the directors. The directors appointed by HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries may be Affiliates of HFP or the Servicer. No Holders of the Securities will have any right to vote with respect to such appointments and removals of directors of the Issuer other than the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares for as long as Class II Preference Shares retain the voting rights with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer.

### *The Holders of the Class II Preference Shares May Control or Prevent Removal of the Servicer, Appointment of a Replacement Servicer and Optional Redemption or Refinancing of the Notes*

The Class II Preference Shares to be purchased by HFP or any of its subsidiaries at closing are expected to constitute a Majority of the Preference Shares. As long as HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries hold a Majority of the Preference Shares, HFP and such subsidiaries will hold the controlling vote on any decision to be made under the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement that requires a Majority of the Preference Shares (and does not exclude from voting Preference Shares held by the Servicer or its Affiliates) and will hold a blocking position with respect to any decision that requires a higher percentage of Preference Shares.

Pursuant to the Servicing Agreement, such agreement may be terminated and the Servicer may be removed by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee (acting at the direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes) or by a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by the Servicer, any of its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority other than, with respect to the Class II Preference Shares, HFP or any of its subsidiaries; *provided that*, with respect to the voting authority of the Class II Preference Shares owned

by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) (each such non-excluded Preference Share, a "**Voting Preference Share**"), in each case for "cause" upon 10 days' prior written notice. Further, the Issuer's ability to appoint a successor servicer is subject to, among other things, the written direction of a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares. As such, if the Class II Preference Shares continue to constitute a Majority of Preference Shares, HFP and any of its subsidiaries that hold Class II Preference Shares will collectively control the ability of the Holders of the Preference Shares to both remove the Servicer for "cause" and appoint the Servicer's replacement. Since HFP is managed by the Servicer, HFP may have a conflict of interest and may be less likely to exercise these rights than the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares. In such case, should the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares believe that "cause" exists to remove the Servicer, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may prevent their ability to do so.

The Holders of a Majority of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares may give written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Servicer directing an optional redemption of the Notes upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period. After such Notes are retired, the Holders of a Majority or of all of the Preference Shares (depending on the form of redemption) may effect an optional redemption of the Preference Shares. As a result of the foregoing, and so long as they hold a controlling block of Preference Shares, the vote of HFP and/or its applicable subsidiaries will be required to redeem the Securities. As an entity managed by the Servicer, HFP may once again have interests that differ from those of the Class I Preference Shares. Should the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares seek to redeem the Securities, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may prevent their ability to do so.

In addition, at any time after the Non-Call Period, upon a proposal by the Servicer, the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares may consent to a redemption of any Class of Notes pursuant to a Refinancing. As a result of the foregoing, and so long as they hold a controlling block of Preference Shares, the vote of HFP and/or its applicable subsidiaries will be required for such Refinancing. If the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares seek a redemption of Notes pursuant to Refinancing, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares could prevent their ability to achieve this.

*The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise from the overall activities of the Servicer, its Affiliates and the subsidiaries of HFP. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

On the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares directly from the Issuer at a discounted purchase price and all of the Class E Notes at a discounted purchase price and (ii) the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates is expected to purchase all of the Class I Preference Shares directly from the Issuer at a discounted purchase price. The Initial Purchaser will not be acting as Initial Purchaser with respect to the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares. On the Closing Date, the Servicer will be reimbursed by the Issuer for certain of its expenses incurred in connection with the organization of the Issuer (including legal fees and expenses). In addition, a broker-dealer Affiliate of the Servicer may receive a fee for placing certain of the Securities.

Conflicts of interest may arise for the Servicer with respect to its obligations to the Issuer from the overall activities of the Servicer, its Affiliates and the subsidiaries of HFP, for the accounts of its other clients. For example, the Servicer, its Affiliates and their respective clients and the subsidiaries of HFP may acquire loans, securities, and other obligations that would be appropriate for inclusion in the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations, as well as in loans, securities, and other obligations that are senior to, or have interests different from or adverse to, assets that are pledged to secure the Notes. Furthermore, Affiliates of the Servicer may serve as general partners or managers of special-purpose entities organized to issue other collateralized loan obligations ("**CLOs**") secured primarily by corporate loans and collateralized debt obligations ("**CDOs**") secured by corporate debt obligations or asset backed securities.



The Servicer and its Affiliates may also have ongoing relationships with, render services to, or engage in transactions with, companies whose loan obligations or securities are pledged to secure the Notes and may now or in the future own (as portfolio assets or otherwise) loan obligations or equity or debt securities issued by issuers of or obligors on, Collateral Obligations or other Collateral. An Affiliate of the Servicer may earn fees with respect to financial advisory services rendered to companies in connection with workouts or the subsequent restructuring of such companies. Such fees and advice may continue for a period of time after any such workout or restructure. The Issuer may own an interest in the securities of such companies. The Servicer will endeavor to resolve conflicts with respect to opportunities in a manner that it deems equitable to the extent possible under the prevailing facts and circumstances.

The Servicer and its Affiliates may possess information relating to issuers of Collateral Obligations or other Collateral that (i) may constrain the Issuer's asset acquisition as a consequence of the Servicer's inability to use such information for asset acquisition purposes or otherwise to take actions that would be in the best of interests of the Issuer or (ii) is not known to the employees of the Servicer responsible for monitoring the Collateral and performing the other obligations of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement. The Servicer, its Affiliates and their respective clients and the subsidiaries of HFP may at certain times be simultaneously seeking to purchase or dispose of assets for the respective accounts of the Issuer, any similar entity for which it serves as manager or advisor, and for its clients or Affiliates.

Neither the Servicer nor any of its Affiliates has any affirmative obligation to offer any assets to the Issuer or to inform the Issuer of any assets before offering any assets to other funds or accounts that the Servicer or any of its Affiliates manage or service. Furthermore, the Servicer may be bound by affirmative obligations in the future, whereby the Servicer is obligated to offer certain assets to funds or accounts that it manages or services before or without the Servicer offering those assets to the Issuer.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Servicer such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Servicer, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the United States Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended (the "**Advisers Act**"). The Servicing Agreement also provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Servicer, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Advisers Act.

The Servicer currently serves as the servicer or portfolio manager for a number of special purpose vehicles that have issued securities secured by or referencing collateral consisting of assets similar to the Collateral Obligations, which may create conflicts in allocating its time and services among the Issuer and the Servicer's other accounts. The Servicer and its Affiliates and the subsidiaries of HFP may own equity or other securities of issuers of or obligors on Collateral Obligations or other Collateral and may have provided and may provide in the future, advisory and other services to issuers of Collateral. In addition, the Servicer and its Affiliates may act as the Securities Lending Counterparty under any Securities Lending Agreement entered into by the Issuer.

The Servicer may resign at any time and may be removed for cause by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee (acting at the direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes) or by a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares. Upon the resignation or removal of the Servicer, the Issuer, at the written direction of a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares, may appoint a replacement servicer if (x) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes held by the Servicer, its Affiliates or any account over which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries; *provided* that, with respect to the voting authority of Notes owned by HFP or any of

its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Trustee by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) (each such non-excluded Note, a "**Voting Note**") or (y) a Majority of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single Class) do not object to the replacement servicer. See "The Servicing Agreement." Securities held by the Servicer, its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries) will have no voting rights with respect to any vote in connection with removal of the Servicer for "cause" and appointment of a replacement servicer and will be deemed not to be outstanding in connection with any vote to remove the Servicer for "cause" and to appoint a replacement servicer; *provided that*, with respect to the voting authority of Class II Preference Shares or Notes owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall be determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiary) of HFP or such subsidiary. Except to the extent specified otherwise, Securities held by the Servicer, its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority at the time of such vote will have voting rights with respect to all other matters as to which the Holders of the Securities are entitled to vote, including any vote to direct an Optional Redemption or a Refinancing. See "The Servicing Agreement", "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption" and "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Redemption by Refinancing."

On the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares and all of the Class E Notes and (ii) the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates is expected to purchase all of the Class I Preference Shares. No assurance can be given whether HFP or the Servicer will retain such Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares and/or Class II Preference Shares for any amount of time. In addition, the Servicer or its Affiliates may also acquire Securities upon the occurrence of an Amendment Buy-Out or a Maturity Extension or Notes upon the occurrence of a Refinancing as described herein. To the extent that the interests of the Holders of the Notes differ from the interests of the Holders of the Preference Shares, the holding of Preference Shares by the Servicer or its Affiliates may create additional conflicts of interest.

The Servicer will be entitled to receive the Senior Servicing Fee, the Subordinated Servicing Fee and the Supplemental Servicing Fee, as further described herein. The structure of such fees may cause the Servicer to direct the Issuer to purchase more speculative Collateral Obligations than it would otherwise acquire in the absence of such performance based compensation. See "The Servicing Agreement."

In addition to acting as Servicer to the Issuer, Highland Capital will act as manager for HFP, which will, on the Closing Date, purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares. Because Highland Capital will receive both a Servicing Fee from the Issuer for servicing the Collateral and a management fee from HFP for managing HFP's assets, which will include the Class II Preference Shares (and therefore a residual interest in the Collateral), Highland Capital has agreed, in connection with the capital raising of HFP, to waive a portion of its Servicing Fees from the Issuer until and including February 3, 2008 so as not to reduce the income realized by HFP or any of its subsidiaries that hold Class II Preference Shares, as the case may be, in respect of such Class II Preference Shares. Thereafter Highland Capital may at its discretion continue to waive a portion (or all) of its Servicing Fees or may elect to receive its Servicing Fee in its entirety. Accordingly, prior to February 3, 2008, an amount equal to a portion (representing the Class II Preference Share Percentage) of the amounts that would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as a Servicing Fee will instead be payable as a special payment to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Thereafter, the Servicer may elect to continue to waive a portion (or all) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event such amount will be paid by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments; *provided that* with respect to the Payment Date in August 2008 such Class II Preference Share Special Payments will, at a minimum, include amounts that would otherwise constitute a portion (representing the Class II Preference Share Percentage) of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Closing Date to February 3, 2008. The Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares will vote together as a single class, except as described otherwise in "Description of the Securities—The Issuer Charter—Voting Rights". Receipt of Servicing

Fees in the form of dividends on Class II Preference Shares may cause HFP to have different incentives from the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares.

*The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Initial Purchaser*

The Initial Purchaser and/or its Affiliates may have placed or underwritten certain of the Collateral Obligations at original issuance and may have provided investment banking services, advisory, banking and other services to issuers of Collateral Obligations. The Initial Purchaser may, from time to time as principal or through one or more investment funds that it manages, make investments in the equity securities of one or more of the issuers of Collateral Obligations with the result that one or more of such issuers may be or may become controlled by the Initial Purchaser. The Initial Purchaser may not have completed its resale of the Senior Notes by any date certain, which may affect the liquidity of the Securities as well as the ability of the Initial Purchaser to make a market in the Senior Notes. From time to time, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer may purchase or sell Collateral Obligations through the Initial Purchaser and/or any of its Affiliates (collectively, "**Initial Purchaser Entities**"). The Issuer may invest in the securities of companies affiliated with the Initial Purchaser Entities or in which the Initial Purchaser Entities have an equity or participation interest. The purchase, holding and sale of such investments by the Issuer may enhance the profitability of the Initial Purchaser Entities' own investments in such companies. In addition, an Initial Purchaser Entity may also act as counterparty with respect to one or more Synthetic Securities and may act as hedge counterparty with respect to one or more hedge agreements. The Issuer may invest in money market funds that are managed by the Initial Purchaser Entities or for which the Trustee or its Affiliates provides services; provided that such money market funds otherwise qualify as Eligible Investments.

By purchasing a Security, each investor will be deemed to have acknowledged the existence of the conflicts of interest inherent to this transaction, including as described above, and to have consented thereto.

## DESCRIPTION OF THE SECURITIES

The Notes will be issued pursuant to the Indenture. The terms of the Preference Shares are contained in the Issuer Charter and in certain resolutions adopted by the Issuer's Board of Directors on or before the Closing Date authorizing and approving the issuance of the Securities, as reflected in the minutes thereof (the "**Resolutions**" and, together with the Issuer Charter and the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the "**Preference Share Documents**"). The following summary describes certain provisions of the Notes, the Preference Shares, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. Copies of the Indenture may be obtained by prospective purchasers upon request in writing to the Trustee at 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code: EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116 Attention: CDO Services Group, and will be available at the office of Custom House Administration & Corporate Services Ltd. (in such capacity, the "**Irish Paying Agent**") in the City of Dublin. Copies of the Preference Share Documents may be obtained upon request in writing to the Administrator at P.O. Box 1093GT, Boundary Hall, Cricket Square, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, Attention: the Directors—Greenbriar CLO, Ltd.

## Status and Security

The Senior Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer and non-recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuer. The Class E Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer. Each Note within a Class will rank *pari passu* with all other Notes of that Class. Under the Indenture, the Issuer will grant to the Trustee a first-priority security interest in the Collateral to secure the Issuer's obligations under the Indenture, the Notes, any Hedge Agreements, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement (to the extent Administrative Expenses arising thereunder are payable as provided in the Indenture) and the Servicing Agreement (collectively, the "**Secured Obligations**"). The Notes are payable solely from amounts received in respect of the Collateral pledged by the Issuer to secure the Notes. If the amounts received in respect of the Collateral (net of certain expenses) are insufficient to make payments on the Secured Obligations, in accordance with the Priority of Payments, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and, following liquidation of

all the Collateral, the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, to pay the deficiency will be extinguished.

The Preference Shares are entitled to proceeds of the Collateral only to the extent that any such proceeds are remaining on any Payment Date after payment of all interest and principal payable on each Class of Notes on that Payment Date and the satisfaction of certain other amounts payable in accordance with the Priority of Payments. In addition, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares will be entitled, as and to the extent set forth herein, to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments pursuant to the priority provided in the Priority of Payments.

In furtherance of the priorities of payments among the Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares, the Indenture contains express subordination provisions pursuant to which the Holders of each Class of Notes that is a Junior Class as described below agree for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class that the Junior Class shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes of each Priority Class to the extent and in the manner provided in the Indenture.

If any Event of Default has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs under and in accordance with the Indenture, each Priority Class of Notes shall be paid in full in cash or, to the extent a Majority of each Class consents, other than in cash, before any further payment or distribution is made on account of any Junior Class of Notes with respect to the Priority Class. The Holders of each Junior Class of Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for failure to pay to them amounts due to the Junior Class, of the Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or under the Indenture until the payment in full of the Priority Classes or all the Classes, as the case may be and not before one year and a day, or if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, has elapsed since the payment.

For purposes of this provision, with respect to each Class of Notes, the Classes of Notes that are Priority Classes and Junior Classes are as follows:

<b>Class</b>	<b>Junior Classes</b>	<b>Priority Classes</b>
A	B, C, D, E, Preference Shares	None
B	C, D, E, Preference Shares*	A
C	D, E, Preference Shares*	A, B
D	E, Preference Shares*	A, B, C
E	Preference Shares*	A, B, C, D
Preference Shares	None**	A, B, C, D, E

\* Other than with respect to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, which may be payable to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as set forth herein and will have priority to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

\*\* The Preference Shares will be entitled to certain residual cash flow after payment of senior obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

If, notwithstanding the provisions of the Indenture, any Holder of Notes of any Junior Class has received any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes contrary to the provisions of the Indenture, then, until each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class of Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or, to the extent a Majority of the Priority Class or the Class, as the case may be, consents, other than in cash in accordance with the Indenture, the payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, which shall pay and deliver the same to the Holders of the applicable Priority Classes of Notes or the Holders of all Classes of Notes, as the case may be. If any such payment or distribution is made other than in cash, it shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and subject in all respects to the Indenture.

Each Holder of Notes of any Junior Class agrees with all Holders of the applicable Priority Classes that the Holder of Junior Class Notes shall not demand, accept, or receive any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes in violation of the Indenture. After a Priority Class has been paid in full, the Holders of Notes of the related Junior Class or Classes shall be fully subrogated to the rights of the Holders of the Priority Class. Nothing in these provisions shall affect the obligation of the Issuer to pay Holders of any Junior Class of Notes.

Distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares are subordinate to distributions on the Notes as described in the Priority of Payments (other than, as and to the extent set forth herein, with respect to distribution of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments).

The Servicing Fees shall have priority only to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

### **Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Preference Shares from Interest Proceeds**

The Notes of each Class will accrue interest during each Interest Period on their Aggregate Outstanding Amount (determined as of the first day of the Interest Period and after giving effect to any redemption or other payment of principal occurring on that day) at the applicable per annum interest rates for each such Class (the "**Note Interest Rate**") equal to LIBOR for Eurodollar deposits for the applicable Interest Period *plus* the spread, as specified above under "Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities." Interest accrued on the Notes shall be calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in the applicable Interest Period *divided by* 360. Payment of interest on each Class of Notes shall be subordinated to the payments of interest on the related Priority Classes and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of Deferred Interest in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered "payable" for the purposes of the Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for the Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest), until paid.

Interest shall cease to accrue on each Note, or in the case of a partial repayment, on the part repaid, from the date of repayment or its Stated Maturity unless payment of principal is improperly withheld or unless there is some other default with respect to the payments of principal.

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares, pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted and to the extent of available Interest Proceeds as described under clauses (22) and (24) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds."

In addition, from the Closing Date to February 3, 2008, Holders of the Class II Preference Shares will be entitled to distributions, on a *pro rata* basis, from the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account, equal to the Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment, the Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment and the Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment (if any) (collectively, the "**Class II Preference Share Special Payments**"). With respect to any Payment Date after February 3, 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion (or all) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments; *provided* that with respect to the Payment Date in August 2008 such Class II Preference Share Special Payments will, at a minimum, include amounts that would

otherwise constitute a portion (representing the Class II Preference Share Percentage) of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Closing Date to February 3, 2008. Any payments to the Holders of Class II Preference Shares of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments will have priority to the extent provided under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments."

For purposes of calculating the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, the following definitions shall apply:

**"Class II Preference Share Percentage"** means, for any Payment Date, a fraction, expressed as a percentage, the numerator of which is the number of Outstanding Class II Preference Shares on such Payment Date and the denominator of which is the total number of Outstanding Preference Shares on such Payment Date.

**"Class II Preference Share Portion"** means, for any Payment Date, 100% minus the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date.

**"Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment"** means, for any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Senior Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**"Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment"** means, for any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Subordinated Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**"Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment"** means, for any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**"Servicing Fee Portion"** means 100% minus a percentage (between 0% and 100%) selected by the Servicer in its sole discretion and reported to the Trustee in writing on or before the related Determination Date; *provided that*, with respect to the Payment Date in August 2008, such percentage shall, at a minimum, include amounts that would otherwise constitute a portion (representing the Class II Preference Share Percentage) of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Closing Date to February 3, 2008.

For purposes of calculating interest on each Class of Notes, the Issuer will initially appoint the Trustee as calculation agent (the Trustee in that capacity, and each successor calculation agent, the **"Calculation Agent"**).

As soon as possible after 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period, but in no event later than 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the next Business Day, the Calculation Agent will calculate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes for the related Interest Period and the amount of interest for the Interest Period payable in respect of each \$100,000 in principal amount of each Class of Floating Rate Notes (in each case rounded to the nearest cent, with half a cent being rounded upward) on the related Payment Date and will communicate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes and the date of the next Payment Date to the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, each paying agent, Euroclear, Clearstream, the Depository, and (as long as the Senior Notes are listed on the ISE) the ISE.

The Calculation Agent may be removed by the Co-Issuers at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Co-Issuers or if the Calculation Agent fails to determine the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes or the amount of interest payable in respect of each Class of Floating Rate Notes for any Interest Period, the Issuer will promptly appoint as a replacement Calculation Agent a leading bank which is engaged in transactions in U.S. Dollar deposits in the international U.S. Dollar market and which does not control and is not controlled by or under common control with the Co-Issuers or any of their respective affiliates. The Calculation Agent may not resign its duties without a successor having been duly appointed. The determination of the Note Interest

Rate with respect to each Class of Floating Rate Notes for each Interest Period by the Calculation Agent shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding upon all parties.

"**LIBOR**" means the offered rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent for any Interest Period, for three month Dollar deposits that appears on Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page as reported on Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News (or a page that replaces Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), as of 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period.

If, on the second Business Day before the first day of any relevant Interest Period, that rate does not appear on Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page (or 3750) as reported on Bloomberg Financial Market Commodities News (or a page that replaces Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page (or 3750) for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), the Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks to prime banks in the London interbank market for three month Dollar deposits in Europe, by reference to requests by the Calculation Agent to four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) (the "**Reference Banks**") for quotations as of approximately 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the Interest Period. If at least two of the Reference Banks provide quotations as requested, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean. If fewer than two Reference Banks provide quotations, LIBOR shall be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that one or more leading banks in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) are quoting to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period for three month Dollar deposits.

If the Calculation Agent is unable to determine a rate in accordance with any of the above procedures, LIBOR for the Interest Period shall be calculated on the last day of the Interest Period and shall be the arithmetic mean of the rate of interest for each day during the Interest Period determined by the Calculation Agent as being the rate of interest most recently announced by the Bank at its New York office as its base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans (or if the Bank ceases to exist or is not quoting a base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans, another major money center commercial bank in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer)).

For the first Interest Period and, unless the Maturity Extension occurs, the last Interest Period, LIBOR shall be determined based on the actual number of days in the Interest Period using straight-line interpolation of two rates calculated in accordance with the above procedure, except that instead of using three month deposits, one rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next shorter than the Interest Period and the other rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next longer than the Interest Period. All calculations shall be calculated to at least four decimal places and rounded to four decimal places.

#### **Principal Payments on the Notes and Distributions on the Preference Shares from Principal Proceeds**

The principal of each Note of each Class matures at par and is payable on the Payment Date that is the Stated Maturity for the Class of Notes, unless the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable at an earlier date by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise. The Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, unless redeemed prior thereto. The average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years from issuance until Stated Maturity for such Notes. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary" and "Maturity and Prepayment Considerations." Notwithstanding the foregoing, and except as set forth below, the payment of principal of each Class of Notes: (i) may only occur after principal on each Class of Notes that is a Priority Class with respect to the Class has been paid in full and (ii) is subordinated to the payment on each Payment Date of the principal and interest payable on the Priority Classes, and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments. However, (i) Interest Proceeds may be used to pay principal of the Class E Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class E Coverage Tests and (ii) Principal Proceeds

may be used to pay Deferred Interest and other amounts before the payment of principal of the Notes. See "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments."

In general, principal payments will not be made on the Notes before the end of the Replacement Period, except in the following circumstances: (i) in connection with the payment of Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, (ii) in connection with an Optional Redemption, (iii) in connection with a Refinancing, (iv) at the option of the Servicer, to effect a Special Redemption of the Notes, (v) pursuant to an Optional Redemption made in connection with a Tax Event or (vi) following a mandatory redemption of the Notes caused by a failure to meet any of the Coverage Tests or a Rating Confirmation Failure. After the Replacement Period, Principal Proceeds will be applied on each Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments to pay principal of each Class of Notes (except for Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations which may be applied to purchase Collateral Obligations to the extent described herein). No principal of any Class of Notes will be payable on any Payment Date other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and to the extent funds are available therefor on that Payment Date for that purpose, except that the principal of each Class of Notes will be payable in full at the Stated Maturity, unless repaid before that.

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares, pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted and to the extent of available Principal Proceeds as described under clauses (11)(A), (15) and (17) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds."

#### **Legal Provisions Applicable to the Payments of Dividends from Interest Proceeds and Dividends or Other Distributions from Principal Proceeds**

Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment of dividends on, or the payment of the Redemption Price in respect of, the Preference Shares, will be distributable to the Holders of the Preference Shares only if the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distribution and Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment of dividends in respect of the Preference Shares will be distributable to the Holders of the Preference Shares only if the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium and if the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distribution. Payments will be paid by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for payment of dividends and other distributions to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, on a *pro rata* basis according to the number of Preference Shares held by each Holder on the Record Date for such Payment Date.

#### **Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**

##### *General*

The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Replacement Period to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date up to four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given the Trustee written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Securities or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents.



In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes or Preference Shares wishing to sell all or a portion of its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to "—Extension Procedure" below (such Securities as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, "**Extension Sale Securities**"). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in connection with a sale of Extension Sale Securities, all, but not part, of the Extension Sale Securities must be purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date.

The Maturity Extension shall be effective only if the following conditions (the "**Extension Conditions**") are satisfied:

- (i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the applicable Extension Effective Date;
- (ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions in the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents and described herein immediately after such purchase and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency);
- (iii) (a) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to S&P (so long as any Notes are then rated by S&P) and (b) Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to Moody's (so long as any Notes are then rated by Moody's);
- (iv) the Issuer has not effected more than three prior Extensions; and
- (v) such extension is not effected for the primary purpose of decreasing losses or recognizing gains resulting from market value changes.

In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Noteholder, other than Holders of Extension Sale Securities, shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment. Holders of Preference Shares shall not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

The Extension Bonus Payment shall be payable to any applicable qualifying beneficial owners, as determined by the Issuer, who have provided the Trustee with an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification on the first Payment Date from and including the Extension Effective Date on which funds are available for such purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments, but in any event, no later than the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption of the Notes. Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments shall not be considered "due and payable" hereunder. The failure to pay any such Extension Bonus Payment on such date shall not be an Event of Default, unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Securities. Unpaid Extension Bonus Payments shall not accrue interest. Such amounts shall be paid, in the case of the Notes, to the accounts designated in the applicable Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification or, to the extent otherwise required by the rules of any applicable securities exchange or clearing agency, in a manner determined by the Issuer.

#### *Extension Procedure*

Not later than three Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Issuer of its election to extend the Replacement Period (the "**Extension Notice**"), the Trustee shall mail the Extension Notice to all Holders of Notes and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding), in the form set out in the Indenture, and shall request the Rating Confirmation for the Maturity Extension from each Rating Agency, if applicable.

Any Holder of Securities may deliver an irrevocable written notice (an "**Extension Sale Notice**") to the Issuer and the Trustee within 30 days after the Trustee has mailed the Extension Notice (the "**Extension Sale Notice Period**") of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of Securities that has not delivered such an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be entitled to sell its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension.

If any Holder of Class II Preference Shares delivers an Extension Sale Notice notifying the Issuer and the Trustee of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Class II Preference Shares such Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to the Extension Qualifying Purchaser and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares.

On the applicable Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or its agent) shall confirm, as shall be certified to the Trustee by a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer (i) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Extension Sale Securities in compliance with all transfer restrictions in the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (ii) whether the requirements of clause (iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date and (iii) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

On each Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension shall automatically become effective under the terms of the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents; *provided* that all Extension Conditions set forth above are satisfied, as determined by the Issuer upon consultation with the Servicer (and as certified to the Trustee by a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer). No later than two Business Days after each Extension Effective Date, the Trustee based on such determination made by the Issuer, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail a notice to all Holders of Notes, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) and the ISE (if and for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed thereon) confirming whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension became effective, the Issuer shall make any required notifications thereof to the Depositary for any Securities subject to the Maturity Extension.

None of the Initial Purchaser, the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

### **Optional Redemption**

*Notes.* The applicable Required Redemption Percentage may give written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Servicer directing an optional redemption of the Notes (with respect to the Notes, an "**Optional Redemption**") upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period. Such notice must be given not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made. In the event that the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee and the Issuer receive notice directing an Optional Redemption from any one or more Holders of Preference Shares holding less than a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, within five Business Days of receipt of such notice, notify the Holders of the Preference Shares (i) of the receipt of such notice and (ii) that any Holder of Preference Shares may join in directing an Optional Redemption by notifying the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing within five Business Days after such Holder's receipt of the Preference Shares Paying Agent's notice.

Upon receipt of the written notice directing an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Co-Issuers with respect to the Senior Notes and the Issuer with respect to the Class E Notes are required by the Indenture to redeem the Notes (in whole but not in part) from amounts available therefor in accordance with "—Optional Redemption Procedures" described below. Any Optional Redemption of the Notes shall

be made at the applicable Redemption Price. Upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Replacement Period will terminate in accordance with the definition of that term. The Issuer shall, at least 30 days before the Redemption Date (unless the Trustee shall agree to a shorter notice period), notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency in writing of the Redemption Date, the applicable Record Date, the principal amount of Notes to be redeemed on the Redemption Date and the applicable Redemption Prices.

*Preference Shares.* On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, so long as all administrative fees and expenses and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), and all amounts owing under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged:

(i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings subject to the provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and Cayman Islands law; or

(ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such direction subject to the provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and Cayman Islands law,

(with respect to the Preference Shares and each of clauses (i) and (ii) above, an "**Optional Redemption**").

Upon a distribution pursuant to clause (i) above, the Servicer will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Servicing Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer (and subject to clause (ii) above), direct the sale of all remaining Collateral Obligations. Upon a distribution pursuant to clause (ii) above, the Servicer will effect the sale of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares.

Upon receipt of the written notice directing an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares, the Issuer is required by the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement to redeem the Preference Shares in the applicable manner described above. Any Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares shall be made at the applicable Redemption Price.

If any Holder of Preference Shares desires to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares after the redemption or repayment of the Notes and in accordance with clauses (i) and (ii) above in this section "—Preference Shares", such Holder should notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing not later than 30 Business Days (or with the Servicer's consent, not later than 20 Business Days) prior to the proposed Redemption Date (which must be a Payment Date). Upon receiving such notice, the Preference Shares Paying Agent will promptly (and in no event later than two Business Days thereafter) notify the Issuer and each Holder of the Preference Shares thereof. Each Holder of Preference Shares that also wishes to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares must so notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing (and the Preference Shares Paying Agent will promptly notify the Issuer and the Servicer of such direction) within five Business Days after receipt of such notice. If the aggregate number of Preference Shares that have directed the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares equals or exceeds the minimum threshold set forth in clauses (i) and (ii) above in this section "—Preference Shares", the Issuer will effect an optional redemption of the Preference Shares pursuant to the procedures described in the Preference Share Documents. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Preference Shares must be redeemed on or prior to the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. The Preference Shares shall be redeemed from the proceeds of

any Collateral remaining after giving effect to the redemption or repayment of the Notes and payment in full of all expenses of the Co-Issuers.

*Optional Redemption Procedures.* The Trustee will give notice of a redemption by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days and not earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date, to (i) each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as applicable, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and (ii) in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, to each Rating Agency. In addition, for so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the ISE and so long as the guidelines of the exchange so require, notice of an Optional Redemption of Senior Notes shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

Notice of redemption having been given as provided above, the Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at the Redemption Price therein specified and from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Redemption Price and accrued interest) the Notes shall cease to bear interest on the Redemption Date.

Upon final payment on a Note to be so redeemed, the Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the place specified in the notice of redemption to receive the applicable Redemption Price unless the Holder provides an undertaking to surrender the Note thereafter.

The Notes may not be optionally redeemed unless either of the following conditions is satisfied:

(i) at least 10 Business Days before the Redemption Date, the Servicer shall have furnished to the Trustee evidence (in form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee) that the Issuer has entered into a binding agreement (with a financial or other institution or entity whose short-term unsecured debt obligations (other than obligations whose rating is based on the credit of a person other than the institution) have a credit rating of at least "A-1" from S&P and of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's (or to any other institution or entity if the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's is satisfied with respect to the other entity) to sell to the financial or other institutions, not later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date in immediately available funds, all or part of the Collateral (directly or by participation or other arrangement) at a Purchase Price at least equal to an amount sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to any Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices; or

(ii) before entering into any binding agreement to sell all or a portion of the Collateral and selling or terminating any Hedge Agreement, the Servicer shall have certified that, in its commercially reasonable judgment, the settlement dates of the sales will be scheduled to occur on or before the Business Day before the Redemption Date and that the expected proceeds from the sales are to be delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date, in immediately available funds, in an amount (calculated as applicable in the manner provided below) sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices. For purposes of this paragraph, the amount shall be calculated with respect to the classes of Collateral listed in the table below by multiplying the expected proceeds of sale of the Collateral by the indicated percentage in the table below. For the avoidance of doubt, no Hedge Agreement will be sold or

terminated unless the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date has passed and no notice of withdrawal has been issued.

	Number of Business Days Between Certification to the Trustee and Sale			
	<u>Same Day</u>	<u>1 to 2</u>	<u>3 to 5</u>	<u>6 to 15</u>
1. Cash or other Eligible Investments	100%	100%	100%	100%
2. Loans (other than 5 below)	100%	93%	92%	88%
3. High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations (in each case, other than 4 below)	100%	89%	85%	75%
4. High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations, in each case with a Moody's Rating of "B3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "B3"	100%	75%	65%	55%
5. Synthetic Securities	100%	65%	55%	35%

Any certification delivered by the Servicer shall include (A) the prices of, and expected proceeds from, the sale of any Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments or Hedge Agreements and (B) all calculations required by the Indenture.

Any notice of redemption may be withdrawn by the Issuer up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Trustee and the Servicer only if:

(i) in the case of an Optional Redemption of Notes, the Servicer does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications required under the Indenture, as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee;

(ii) in the case of an Optional Redemption in whole of either the Notes or the Preference Shares as described above in "—Optional Redemption—Notes" and clause (i) of the first paragraph under "—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares," the Issuer receives the written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares (or, in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes resulting from a Tax Event, the Affected Class) to withdraw the notice of redemption delivered by the percentage of the Holders of the Preference Shares (or, in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes resulting from a Tax Event, the Affected Class) requesting redemption under "—Optional Redemption—Notes" or clause (i) of the first paragraph under "—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares," as applicable; or

(iii) in the case of an Optional Redemption of Preference Shares as described in clause (ii) of the first paragraph under "Optional Redemption—Preference Shares," the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer hereby agrees for the benefit of the directing Holders to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (ii) or this clause (iii)).

Notice of any withdrawal shall be sent, not later than the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date (assuming that the Trustee has received timely written notice from the Issuer as provided above), by the Trustee, to each Holder of Notes scheduled to be redeemed at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery (or, to the extent the address contained in the Indenture Register is not sufficient for that purpose, by first-class mail) and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares). If the Issuer so withdraws any notice of redemption or is otherwise unable to complete any redemption of the Notes, the Sale Proceeds received from the sale of any Collateral Obligations sold in accordance with the Indenture may, during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period) at the Servicer's discretion, be used to purchase replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria.

Notice of redemption shall be given by the Co-Issuers or, upon an Issuer Order, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Co-Issuers. Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Note selected for redemption or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Securities.

*Redemption by Refinancing.* In addition, any Class of the Notes may be redeemed in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period from Refinancing Proceeds if the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, proposes to the Holders of the Preference Shares in writing (by notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares)) with a copy to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies) at least 30 days prior to the Payment Date for such redemption (such date, the "**Refinancing Date**") to redeem such Notes in accordance with the Indenture, which notice shall, among other things, specify the Refinancing Date and the Class of Notes to be refinanced. Such redemption will be effected by the Issuer obtaining a loan or an issuance of a replacement class of notes ("**Refinancing Notes**"), the terms of which loan or issuance will be negotiated by the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, from one or more financial institutions or purchasers (which may include the Servicer or its Affiliates) selected by the Servicer (a refinancing provided pursuant to such loan or issuance, a "**Refinancing**"), and *provided* that (i) such proposal is approved by a Majority of the Preference Shares (voting as a single class) at least 15 days prior to the Refinancing Date and (ii) the Servicer completes such Refinancing and causes the Refinancing Proceeds to be deposited with the Trustee (in immediately available funds) no later than the close of the Business Day immediately preceding the Refinancing Date.

The Issuer will obtain a Refinancing only if the Servicer determines and certifies to the Trustee that:

(i) (A) a Rating Confirmation has been obtained from each Rating Agency for each Class of Notes not subject to Refinancing and (B) a rating letter has been obtained from each Rating Agency with respect to each class of Refinancing Notes that such Refinancing Notes shall be rated at least as high as the Initial Rating of the Class of Notes subject to the Refinancing;

(ii) the proceeds from the Refinancing will be at least sufficient to pay the Refinancing Price plus any Administrative Expenses of the Issuer related to the Refinancing;

(iii) the interest rate payable in respect of the obligations providing the Refinancing is less than the interest rate payable on the Notes being refinanced;

(iv) the principal amount of any obligations providing the Refinancing is no greater than the principal amount of the Notes being redeemed with the proceeds of such obligations;

(v) the stated maturity of the obligations providing the Refinancing is no earlier than the Stated Maturity of the Notes being refinanced;

(vi) the Refinancing Proceeds will be used (to the extent necessary) to redeem the applicable Notes;

(vii) the agreements relating to the Refinancing contain limited recourse, non-recourse and non-petition provisions, investor qualification provisions and transfer restrictions equivalent to those applicable to the Notes being redeemed, as set forth in the Indenture;

(viii) the obligations providing the Refinancing are subject to the Priority of Payments and do not rank higher in priority pursuant to the Priority of Payments than the Class of Notes being redeemed; and

(ix) the expenses in connection with the Refinancing have been paid or will be adequately provided for.

Any Refinancing Proceeds will not constitute Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds but will be applied directly on the related Refinancing Date pursuant to the Indenture to redeem the Notes being

refinanced and pay Administrative Expenses in connection with the Refinancing without regard to the Priority of Payments; *provided* that, to the extent that any Refinancing Proceeds exceed the amount necessary to redeem the Notes being refinanced (and any associated Administrative Expenses), such excess Refinancing Proceeds will be treated as Principal Proceeds.

Refinancing Notes may be issued from time to time pursuant to a Refinancing as described above and subject to and in compliance with the terms of the Indenture. Any such Refinancing Note will be issued by the Issuer and, if any such Refinancing Note is a Senior Note, the Co-Issuer and will be authenticated by the Trustee upon delivery to the Trustee of an order of the Issuer and the applicable opinion of counsel as set forth in the Indenture.

### **Special Redemption of Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture**

Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in whole or in part, at par, in accordance with the Priority of Payments if, at any time during the Replacement Period, the Servicer elects (subject to the Servicing Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional or replacement Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the application of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations.

On the Special Redemption Date, the Special Redemption Amount will be available to be applied in accordance with "—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds" to the extent of available Principal Proceeds. Notice of payment of the Special Redemption Amount shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than three Business Days before the applicable Special Redemption Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository. In addition, for so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the ISE and so long as the guidelines of the exchange so require, notice of a Special Redemption of the Senior Notes shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

In connection with a Special Redemption, the principal of the Notes will be paid from Principal Proceeds in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount (first to any Class A Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class B Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class C Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class D Notes to be redeemed and then to any Class E Notes to be redeemed, in each case until paid in full) in accordance with the Priority of Payments. See "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds."

### **Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

#### *General*

In the event of a Rating Confirmation Failure or a failure to meet any Coverage Test on any Determination Date, a mandatory redemption of one or more Classes of Notes in whole or in part will be required. Any mandatory redemption could result in an elimination, deferral or reduction in interest or principal payments to one or more Classes of Securities, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of the Class or Classes of Securities. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Interests for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests" and "—The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure."

#### *Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests*

Except with respect to payments made pursuant to an Optional Redemption or a redemption made in connection with a Tax Event as described under "—Optional Redemption," on any Payment Date with respect to which any Coverage Test (as described under "Security for the Notes—The Coverage Tests") is not met on any Determination Date, principal payments on the Notes will be made as described under "—Priority of Payments."

*Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure*

Upon the event of a Rating Confirmation Failure, all Interest Proceeds remaining after payment of amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (16) of "—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" will be used to pay principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes in the Note Payment Sequence on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date thereafter until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. If necessary, after the foregoing payments are made out of Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds in accordance with clause (10) "—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds" will be used to pay principal of each Class of the Notes sequentially in order of their priority on each Payment Date until the Initial Ratings are confirmed.

Upon receipt of notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes, at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes, then the Servicer may direct and, upon such direction and in accordance with the instructions of the Servicer, the Trustee shall sell Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for the purpose in the Collection Account will be used to redeem the Notes (but only to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes) and to pay all administrative and other fees, expenses and obligations payable under the Priority of Payments. Any sale under these provisions shall be conducted in such a manner that:

- (i) after giving effect to the sale, each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied or, if any Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Overcollateralization Test is not reduced;
- (ii) if the sale occurs on or after the second Payment Date, after giving effect to the sale each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied or, if any Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Interest Coverage Test is not reduced; and
- (iii) after giving effect to the sale each Collateral Quality Test is satisfied or, if any Collateral Quality Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Collateral Quality Test is not reduced.

**Redemption of the Preference Shares in Connection with Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

The Preference Shares will be redeemed in whole in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents on any Payment Date on which a mandatory redemption of the Notes described under "—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes" results in the payment in full of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes.

**Tax Certification**

As a condition to the payment on any Security in accordance with the Priority of Payments without the imposition of withholding tax, the Issuer will require certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer, the Trustee, and any paying agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments in respect of such Security under any present or future law or regulation of the United States or other jurisdiction or any present or future law or regulation of any political subdivision thereof or taxing authority therein or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under any such law or regulation. Without limiting the foregoing, as a condition to payments on any Security without U.S. federal back-up withholding, the Issuer will require the delivery of properly completed and signed applicable U.S. federal income tax certifications (generally, an IRS Form W-9 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a person that is a "United States person" as defined in the Code or an appropriate IRS Form W-8 (or applicable successor form), together with any required attachments, in the case of a person that is not a "United States person" as defined in the Code).



## Priority of Payments

Collections received on the Collateral during the related Due Period will be segregated into Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds and applied on each Payment Date in the priority below under "—Interest Proceeds" and "—Principal Proceeds," respectively (collectively, the **"Priority of Payments"**).

### *Interest Proceeds*

On each Payment Date, Interest Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period (other than Interest Proceeds previously used during such Due Period to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations or otherwise used as permitted under the Indenture) will be distributed in the following order of priority:

- (1) to the payment of any taxes and registration and filing fees owed by the Co-Issuers (without limit) and then to the payment of Administrative Expenses up to the Administrative Expense Cap as follows:

FIRST, in the following order of priority:

- (i) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Trustee; and then
- (ii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Collateral Administrator; and then
- (iii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Preference Shares Paying Agent;

SECOND, in the following order of priority;

- (i) fees and expenses of the Administrator; and then;
- (ii) fees and expenses of the Co-Issuers (including fees and expenses of counsel and ongoing surveillance, credit estimate, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies) and any other person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for in the Indenture, and to the expenses (but not fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;

- (2) the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts paid pursuant to clause (1) above to deposit into the Expense Reimbursement Account;
- (3) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with "Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account" an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee then due and payable and SECOND, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause;
- (4) to the payment of all amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements (if any) other than any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;
- (5) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A Notes;
- (6) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class B Notes;

- (7) if the Class A/B Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case, in the amount necessary so that all of the Class A/B Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (7) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under "—Principal Proceeds" below on the current Payment Date);
- (8) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class C Notes (excluding Class C Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class C Deferred Interest);
- (9) to the payment of Class C Deferred Interest;
- (10) if the Class C Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class C Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (10) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under "—Principal Proceeds" below on the current Payment Date);
- (11) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class D Notes (excluding Class D Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class D Deferred Interest);
- (12) to the payment of Class D Deferred Interest;
- (13) if the Class D Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class D Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (13) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under "—Principal Proceeds" below on the current Payment Date);
- (14) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class E Notes (excluding Class E Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class E Deferred Interest);
- (15) to the payment of Class E Deferred Interest;
- (16) if the Class E Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class E Notes in the amount necessary so that all of the Class E Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full;
- (17) if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that a Rating Confirmation is obtained, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (17) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under "—Principal Proceeds" below on the current Payment Date);

- (18) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with "Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account" an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee then due and payable and SECOND, to the payment (*pro rata* according to the amounts payable under clauses (x) and (y) below) to: (x) the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and (y) *pro rata* to each Holder of Securities entitled thereto, the applicable Extension Bonus Payment as described under "—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date;"
- (19) during the Replacement Period, if the Retention Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, for deposit to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds 50% of the remaining Interest Proceeds available after the payments pursuant to clause (18) above (or, if the amount necessary to cause the Retention Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as of such Determination Date is less than 50% of such remaining Interest Proceeds, such necessary amount);
- (20) to the payment of any remaining Administrative Expenses not paid under clause (1) above in the respective priorities specified in clause (1);
- (21) to the payment *pari passu* of (i) any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments and (ii) any Defaulted Synthetic Security Termination Payments;
- (22) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment of dividends *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 14.0%;
- (23) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with "Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account" of an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) the Supplemental Servicing Fee, if applicable and SECOND, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Supplemental Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and
- (24) any remaining Interest Proceeds, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares;

*provided* that, in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds referred to under clauses (22) and (24) above, in whole or in part on any Payment Date, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, will have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute any Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be due and payable on such Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to any such Payment Date will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be increased accordingly. Any payments to the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be released from the

lien of the Indenture and shall be paid in accordance with the provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

*Principal Proceeds*

On each Payment Date, Principal Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period other than:

- (A) Principal Proceeds previously used to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or otherwise used as permitted under the Indenture;
- (B) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account or the Securities Lending Account; and
- (C) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed Purchase Prices for Collateral Obligations with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment before the end of the Due Period for their purchase, but has not settled the purchase by the end of the Due Period;

shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

- (1) (x) FIRST, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (6) under "—Interest Proceeds" above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (y) SECOND, to the payment of amounts referred to in clause (7) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and, with respect to the Class A/B Overcollateralization Test, to the extent necessary to cause the Class A/B Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (1), or until such amounts are paid in full;
- (2) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (8) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (3) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (9) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (4) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (10) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and, with respect to the Class C Overcollateralization Test, to the extent necessary to cause the Class C Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (4), or until such amounts are paid in full;
- (5) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (11) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (6) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (12) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (7) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (13) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and, with respect to the Class D Overcollateralization Test, to the extent necessary to cause the Class D Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (7), or until such amounts are paid in full;

- (8) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (14) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (9) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (15) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (10) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (17) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (11) (A) if the Payment Date is a Redemption Date in the following order of priority: (i) to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of the Redemption Prices of all of the Notes to be redeemed, (ii) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (18), (20) and (21) under "—Interest Proceeds" above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder, (iii) the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment of dividends *pro rata* to the Holders of Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 14.0%, (iv) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with "Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account" of an amount equal to the product of (x) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (y) the Supplemental Servicing Fee, if applicable and SECOND, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (x) the accrued and unpaid Supplemental Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (y) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause and (v) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares of the Redemption Price of any Preference Shares to be redeemed; and
  - (B) if the Payment Date is a Special Redemption Date, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of the Notes in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount, in each case until paid in full;
- (12) during the Replacement Period, all remaining Principal Proceeds to the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture (and, until so applied (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), to be deposited in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds);
- (13) after the Replacement Period, (i) FIRST, at the discretion of the Servicer (with respect to Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations) to the purchase or funding of additional or replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the applicable provisions of the Indenture when appropriate Collateral Obligations are available, and until such time, to the Collection Account for the purchase of Eligible Investments; and (ii) SECOND, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of Notes until paid in full;
- (14) to the extent not previously paid in full under clause (11) above, after the Replacement Period, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (18), (20) and (21) under "—Interest Proceeds" above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

- (15) after the Replacement Period, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment of dividends *pro rata* to the Holders of Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 14.0%;
- (16) after the Replacement Period, FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with "Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account" of an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) the Supplemental Servicing Fee, if applicable and SECOND, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Supplemental Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and
- (17) after the Replacement Period to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, on any Payment Date occurring (x) after the occurrence of an Event of Default and an acceleration of the Notes that has not been rescinded, or (y) after the occurrence of an Event of Default and an acceleration of the Notes that has not been rescinded and the liquidation of the Collateral, all Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds and any other funds in the Accounts, shall be applied in the following order of priority: (1) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (1), (2), (3) and (4) of the "Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" above (in the priority stated therein); (2) *first*, to the payment, of any accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes; *second*, to the payment of any accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B Notes and the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes; *third*, to the payment of any accrued and unpaid interest (including any Deferred Interest) on the Class C Notes and the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes; *fourth*, to the payment of any accrued and unpaid interest (including any Deferred Interest) on the Class D Notes and the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes; *fifth*, to the payment of any accrued and unpaid interest (including any Deferred Interest) on the Class E Notes and the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class E Notes; (3) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (18), (20) and (21) of the "Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" above (in the same order of priority stated above); (4) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment of dividends *pro rata* to the Holders of Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 14.0%; (5) *first*, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with "Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account" of an amount equal to the product of (x) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (y) the Supplemental Servicing Fee, if applicable and *then*, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (x) the accrued and unpaid Supplemental Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (y) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and (6) to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

The calculation on any Coverage Test on any Determination Date shall be made by giving effect to all payments to be made pursuant to all subclauses of the Priority of Payments as applicable, payable on the Payment Date following such Determination Date. In addition no Principal Proceeds will be used to pay a subordinated Class on a Payment Date if, after giving effect to such payment, any Coverage Test of a more senior Class of Notes is failing on such Payment Date or would fail as a result of such application of the Principal Proceeds on such Payment Date.

Any payments to the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be released from the lien of the Indenture and shall be paid in accordance with the provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

If on any Payment Date the amount available in the Payment Account is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by the Valuation Report, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for in the order and according to the priority under "—Interest Proceeds" and "—Principal Proceeds," to the extent funds are available therefor.

The Trustee shall remit funds to pay Administrative Expenses of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in accordance with the Priority of Payments under "—Interest Proceeds" and "—Principal Proceeds" above, to the extent available, to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer as directed and designated in an Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions) delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before each Payment Date.

### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Senior Notes**

The Senior Notes sold in Offshore Transactions may only be sold to non-U.S. Persons in reliance on Regulation S. Except as provided below, the Senior Notes sold in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Notes. The Regulation S Global Notes will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear and Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream. Investors may hold their interests in a Regulation S Global Note directly through Euroclear or Clearstream, if they are participants in such systems, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in such systems. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may not be held by a U.S. Person at any time. By acquisition of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note, the purchaser thereof will be deemed to represent that it is not a U.S. Person and that, if in the future it determines to transfer such beneficial interest, it will transfer such interest only to a person whom the seller reasonably believes to be a non-U.S. Person or to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note.

The Senior Notes initially sold in non-Offshore Transactions or to U.S. Persons in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Rule 144A may only be sold to (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers that are also (ii) Qualified Purchasers and, except as provided below, will be represented by one or more permanent Rule 144A Global Notes. Investors may hold their interests in the Rule 144A Global Notes directly through the Depository if they are the Depository participants, or indirectly through organizations that are the Depository participants. The Rule 144A Global Notes will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for the Depository, and registered in the name of a nominee of the Depository.

Beneficial interests in Senior Notes represented by Global Notes will be subject to certain restrictions on transfer set forth therein and in the Indenture and such Global Notes will bear the applicable legends regarding the restrictions set forth under "Transfer Restrictions." A beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from (A) the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that the transfer is being made to a person whom the transferor reasonably believes is a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is also a Qualified Purchaser and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction and (B) the transferee (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser. Beneficial interests in the Rule 144A Global Notes may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from (A) the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that the transfer is being made to a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction in accordance with Regulation S and (B) the transferee (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is a non-U.S. Person.

Any beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note that is transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will, upon transfer, cease to be an interest in such Regulation S Global Note and become an interest in the Rule 144A Global Note and, accordingly, will thereafter be subject to all transfer restrictions and other procedures applicable to beneficial interests in a Rule 144A Global Note for as long as it remains such an interest. Any beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note that is transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a

Regulation S Global Note will, upon transfer, cease to be an interest in the Rule 144A Global Note and become an interest in the Regulation S Global Note and, accordingly, will thereafter be subject to all transfer restrictions and other procedures applicable to beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note for as long as it remains such an interest. No service charge will be made for any registration of transfer or exchange of Senior Notes, but the Issuer or Co-Issuers, as the case may be, or the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

Except in the limited circumstances described in this paragraph, owners of beneficial interests in Senior Notes held in the form of Global Notes will not be entitled to receive delivery of certificated Senior Notes. The Senior Notes are not issuable in bearer form. A Global Note deposited with the Depository pursuant to the Indenture shall be transferred to the beneficial owners thereof only if such transfer complies with the Indenture and either (i) the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for a Global Note or ceases to be a "Clearing Agency" registered under the Exchange Act and a successor depository is not appointed by the Issuer within 90 days of such notice or (ii) as a result of any amendment to or change in, the laws or regulations of the Cayman Islands or of any authority therein or thereof having power to tax or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations which become effective on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer or the Trustee becomes aware that it is or will be required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Senior Notes which would not be required if the Senior Notes were in definitive form. In addition, the owner of a beneficial interest in a Global Note will be entitled to receive a certificated Note in exchange for such interest if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing. In the event that certificated Senior Notes are not so issued by the Issuer to such beneficial owners of interests in Global Notes, the Issuer expressly acknowledges that such beneficial owners shall be entitled to pursue any remedy that the Holders of a Global Note would be entitled to pursue in accordance with the Indenture (but only to the extent of such beneficial owner's interest in the Global Note) as if certificated Senior Notes had been issued. Payments on such certificated Senior Notes will be made by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a Dollar-denominated account maintained by the owner or, if a wire transfer cannot be effected, by a Dollar check delivered to the owner. See "Settlement and Clearing."

The Senior Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof for each Class of Senior Notes.

#### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Class E Notes**

The Class E Notes will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Class E Notes in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the "**Certificated Class E Notes**").

The Class E Notes may only be sold to persons who are Qualified Institutional Buyers (or, solely in the case of certain Holders purchasing Class E Notes on the Closing Date, Institutional Accredited Investors) who are also Qualified Purchasers.

The Class E Notes may be transferred only upon (*inter alia*) receipt by the Trustee of a written certification (in the form provided in the Indenture) from the transferee to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is also a Qualified Purchaser, and such transfer is being made in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction. Each initial Holder as well as each transferee of the Class E Notes is also required to provide certain tax forms and other tax-related certifications. See "Transfer Restrictions."

The Class E Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof.

#### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Preference Shares**

The Preference Shares will be issued in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof and represented by one or more share certificates (the "**Certificated Preference Shares**").



Preference Shares may only be sold to persons who are Qualified Institutional Buyers who are also Qualified Purchasers.

Preference Shares may be transferred only upon (*inter alia*) receipt by the Preference Shares Paying Agent of a written certification (in the form provided in the Preference Share Documents) from the transferee to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is also a Qualified Purchaser, and such transfer is being made in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction. Each initial Holder as well as each transferee of the Preference Shares is also required to provide certain tax forms and other tax-related certifications. See "Transfer Restrictions."

Maples Finance Limited has been appointed and will serve as the registrar with respect to the Preference Shares (the "**Share Registrar**") and will provide for (*inter alia*) the registration of the Preference Shares and the registration of transfers of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Preference Share Documents and the Administration Agreement in the register maintained by it. The Preference Shares will be issued in minimum numbers of 100 Preference Shares per investor and integral multiples of one Preference Share in excess thereof.

## The Indenture

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Indenture. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Indenture.

### *Events of Default*

"**Event of Default**" is defined in the Indenture as:

(a) a default for four Business Days in the payment of any interest on the Class A Notes or the Class B Notes, or, if no Class A Notes or Class B Notes are Outstanding, a default in the payment of any interest on the Controlling Class, in each case, when it becomes payable (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, the Irish Paying Agent or the Indenture Registrar, after seven Business Days);

(b) a default in the payment of principal (including Deferred Interest) of any Note when the same becomes payable, at its Stated Maturity or on the Redemption Date;

(c) the failure on any Payment Date to disburse amounts available in the Payment Account in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the failure continues for three Business Days;

(d) on any Measurement Date for so long as any Class A Notes are Outstanding, the Overcollateralization Ratio with respect to the Class A Notes (which, for purposes of this clause (d), will be calculated without giving effect to clause 5(A) of the definition of "Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator") is less than 100%;

(e) either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral becomes an investment company under the Investment Company Act;

(f) breach of any other covenant or other agreement of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Indenture (other than any failure to satisfy any of the Collateral Quality Tests, any of the Concentration Limitations, any of the Coverage Tests, the Retention Overcollateralization Test, or other covenants or agreements for which a specific remedy has been provided under the Indenture) in any material respect, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer made in the Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant thereto, or in connection therewith, to be correct in any material respect when made, and the breach or failure continues for 30 days after either of the Co-Issuers has actual knowledge of it or after notice to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Servicer by the Trustee or to the Issuer, the Co-

Issuer, the Servicer and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class by registered or certified mail or overnight courier specifying the breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that the notice is a "Notice of Default" under the Indenture;

(g) the entry of a decree or order by a court having competent jurisdiction adjudging the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, or composition of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, and if the decree or order remains unstayed and in effect for 45 consecutive days;

(h) the institution by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of Proceedings to have the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as the case may be, adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings against the Issuer or Co-Issuer, or the filing by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Bankruptcy Law or any other similar applicable law, or the consent by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or the taking of any action by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in furtherance of any such action; or

(i) one or more final judgments is rendered against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer that exceed in the aggregate U.S.\$2,000,000 and that remain unstayed, undischarged, and unsatisfied for 30 days after the judgments become nonappealable, unless adequate funds have been reserved or set aside for their payment.

Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Trustee must give prompt (and in no event later than five Business Days after becoming aware of such event) notice thereof to the Noteholders.

If an Event of Default is continuing (other than an Event of Default described in clauses (e), (g) or (h) under "—Events of Default" above), the Trustee may, with consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class, and must, upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, declare the principal of all the Notes to be immediately payable by notice to the Co-Issuers and the Noteholders, and upon that declaration the unpaid principal of all the Notes, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), and other amounts payable under the Indenture, shall become immediately payable. The Replacement Period shall terminate upon a declaration of acceleration (subject to re-commencement as described below). If an Event of Default described in clauses (e), (g) or (h) above under "—Events of Default" occurs, all unpaid principal, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), of all the Notes, and other amounts payable under the Indenture, shall automatically become payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any Noteholder and the Replacement Period shall terminate automatically (subject to re-commencement as described below).

At any time after the declaration of acceleration of maturity has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, may rescind the declaration and its consequences if:

- (i) the Issuer or the Co-Issuer has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:
  - (A) all unpaid installments of interest and principal on the Notes then due (other than as a result of the acceleration);

- (B) to the extent that payment of the interest is lawful, interest on any Deferred Interest and Defaulted Interest at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable;
  - (C) all Administrative Expenses of the Co-Issuers and other sums paid or advanced by the Trustee under the Indenture;
  - (D) all unpaid Senior Servicing Fees; and
  - (E) all amounts then payable to any Hedge Counterparty; and
- (ii) the Trustee has determined that all Events of Default, other than the nonpayment of the interest on or principal of the Notes, that have become due solely by the acceleration, have been (A) cured, and a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Trustee has agreed with that determination, or (B) waived as provided in the Indenture.

No rescission shall affect any subsequent default or impair any right resulting from the default. The Issuer shall not terminate any Hedge Agreement at any time after a declaration of acceleration of the Stated Maturity of the Notes has been made, unless such declaration and its consequences may no longer be rescinded and annulled in accordance with the Indenture and liquidation of the Collateral has begun.

If an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee will retain the Collateral, collect, and cause the collection of the proceeds of the Collateral and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Collateral and the Notes and any Hedge Agreements (other than amounts received under a Hedge Agreement that are used in putting a replacement hedge in place) in the manner described under "—Priority of Payments" and the Indenture unless:

- (i) the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, determines (bid prices having been obtained with respect to each security contained in the Collateral from two nationally recognized dealers (or if there is only one dealer, that dealer and if there is no dealer, from a pricing service), selected and specified by the Servicer to the Trustee in writing, at the time making a market in those securities, and having computed the anticipated proceeds of sale or liquidation on the basis of the lower of the bid prices for each security) that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would (after deduction of the reasonable expenses of the sale or liquidation) be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and the Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) under "—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds";
- (ii) the Holders of a Super Majority of each of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral.

During the continuance of an Event of Default, a Majority of the Controlling Class may institute and direct the Trustee in the conduct of any proceedings for any remedy available to the Trustee (including the exercise of any remedy specified in the Indenture or otherwise with respect to the Collateral) or for the exercise of any right of the Trustee under the Indenture if the direction does not conflict with any rule of law or with any express provision of the Indenture and the Trustee has been indemnified to its reasonable satisfaction. Any direction to the Trustee to undertake a sale of the Collateral shall be by the Holders of Notes representing the requisite percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes specified in the Indenture. The Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability or expense unless it has received an indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it against the liability or expense.

A Majority of the Controlling Class may on behalf of the Holders of all the Notes, before the time a judgment or decree for the payment of money due has been obtained by the Trustee, waive any past Event of Default or event that, with notice or the lapse of time or both, would become an Event of Default and its consequences, except such a default:

- (i) in the payment of principal or Redemption Price of any Note or in the payment of interest (including Defaulted Interest, Deferred Interest, and any interest on Defaulted Interest or Deferred Interest) on the Notes;
- (ii) with respect to a provision of the Indenture that cannot be modified or amended without the waiver or consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected by the modification or amendment;
- (iii) in the payment of amounts due to the Servicer, the Trustee, or the Hedge Counterparty, which may only be waived with the consent of the affected party; or
- (iv) arising as a result of an Event of Default described in clause (e), (g) or (h) under "—Events of Default."

No Holder of any Note may institute any proceeding with respect to the Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy under the Indenture, unless:

- (i) the Holder has previously given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default;
- (ii) the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute Proceedings with respect to the Event of Default in its own name as Trustee under the Indenture and the Holders have offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with the request;
- (iii) the Trustee for 30 days after its receipt of the notice, request, and offer of indemnity has failed to institute a Proceeding; and
- (iv) no direction inconsistent with the written request has been given to the Trustee during the 30 day period by a Majority of the Controlling Class.

If the Trustee receives conflicting or inconsistent requests and indemnity pursuant to clauses (i) through (iv) above, from two or more groups of Holders of the Controlling Class, each representing less than a Majority of the Controlling Class, the Trustee shall take the action requested by the Holders of the largest percentage in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, notwithstanding any other provisions of the Indenture but subject to such Holders having offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the costs and liabilities that might reasonably be incurred by it in compliance with the request as provided in the Indenture.

## **Supplemental Indentures**

### *Without Consent of Holders*

Without the consent of the Holders of any Securities, but with the consent of the parties the consent of which is required as described in the following paragraph, the Co-Issuers, in each instance when authorized by resolutions of the respective Boards of Directors, and the Trustee, at any time and from time to time subject to the requirement provided below with respect to receipt of a Rating Confirmation, may, if, with respect to any matters described in clauses (1) through (23) below, the interests of the Holders of the Securities (except, in the case of clause (12) below, any Holders of Notes subject to the applicable Refinancing) are not materially and adversely affected thereby as provided in this section "—Without Consent of Holders", enter into one or more indentures supplemental to the Indenture, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, for any of the following purposes:

- (1) to evidence the succession of another person to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and the assumption by the successor person of the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Indenture and in the Securities;
- (2) to add to the covenants of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders or to surrender any right in the Indenture conferred on the Co-Issuers;
- (3) to convey, transfer, assign, mortgage, or pledge any property to the Trustee, or add to the conditions, limitations or restrictions on the authorized amount, terms and purposes of the issue, authentication and delivery of the Notes;
- (4) to evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment under the Indenture by a successor Trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of the Indenture necessary to facilitate the administration of the trusts under the Indenture by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of the Indenture;
- (5) to correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of the Indenture, or to better assure, convey, and confirm to the Trustee any property subject or required to be subject to the lien of the Indenture (including all actions appropriate as a result of changes in law) or to subject to the lien of the Indenture any additional property;
- (6) to cause any provision of the Indenture to conform to, or be consistent with, the statements made with respect to such provision in this Offering Memorandum;
- (7) to modify the restrictions on and procedures for resales and other transfers of the Notes to reflect any changes in applicable law (or its interpretation) or to enable the Co-Issuers to rely on any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities Act (including, without limitation, to add provisions for resales and transfers of the Class E Notes and/or Preference Shares under Regulation S) or the Investment Company Act or to remove restrictions on resale and transfer to the extent not required under the Indenture;
- (8) with the consent of the Servicer, to modify (A) the restrictions on the sales of Collateral Obligations described in "Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations" or (B) the Eligibility Criteria described in "Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria" (and the related definitions);
- (9) to make appropriate changes for any Class of Senior Notes to be listed on an exchange other than the ISE;
- (10) otherwise to correct any inconsistency or cure any ambiguity or errors in the Indenture;
- (11) to accommodate the issuance of the Senior Notes in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC or otherwise;
- (12) to accommodate a Refinancing effected pursuant to and in compliance with the terms of the Indenture; *provided* that no Holders of Notes or Preference Shares are materially adversely affected thereby, other than Holders of Notes subject to such Refinancing (and provided that the mere occurrence of the Refinancing itself shall be deemed not to constitute such a material adverse effect);
- (13) to take any appropriate action to prevent the Issuer, the Holders of Securities or the Trustee from becoming subject to withholding or other taxes, fees, or assessments or to prevent the Issuer from being treated as being engaged in a U.S. trade or business or otherwise being subject to U.S. federal, state or local income tax on a net income basis, so long as the action will not cause the Holders of any Securities to be adversely affected to any material extent by any change to the timing, character, or source of the income from the Securities, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as

to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion);

- (14) to authorize the appointment of any listing agent, transfer agent, paying agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes appropriate in connection with the listing of any Class of Senior Notes on the ISE or any other stock exchange, and otherwise to amend the Indenture to incorporate any changes required or requested by any governmental authority, stock exchange authority, listing agent, transfer agent, paying agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes in connection with its appointment, so long as the supplemental indenture would not materially and adversely affect any Noteholders, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Notes;
- (15) to amend, modify, enter into or accommodate the execution of any contract relating to a Synthetic Security (including posting collateral under a Synthetic Security Agreement) if such particular action is not otherwise permitted under the Indenture;
- (16) to modify certain representations as to Collateral in the Indenture in order that it may be consistent with applicable laws or Rating Agency requirements;
- (17) to evidence any waiver by any Rating Agency as to any requirement or condition, as applicable, of the Rating Agency in the Indenture;
- (18) to facilitate the issuance of participation notes, combination notes, composite securities and other similar securities;
- (19) to facilitate hedging transactions;
- (20) to facilitate the ability of the Issuer to lend collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement;
- (21) to modify any provision to facilitate an A/B Exchange, including to effect any serial designation relating to the exchange;
- (22) with the consent of the Servicer to enter into any additional agreements not expressly prohibited by the Indenture as well as any amendment, modification, or waiver if the Issuer determines that the amendment, modification, or waiver would not, upon or after becoming effective, materially and adversely affect the rights or interest of the Holders of any Class of Securities, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Servicer, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities;
- (23) to provide for the issuance of additional Preference Shares to the extent permitted by the Preference Share Documents and to extend to such additional Preference Shares the benefits applicable to the Preference Shares under the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents; or
- (24) to prevent the Issuer from becoming an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); *provided* that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer shall have received (A) a

Rating Confirmation with respect to such supplemental indenture and (B) a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such supplemental indenture, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

Without the consent of the Servicer, no supplemental indenture may be entered into that (x) affects the rights, powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer or (y) affects the amount or priority of any fees payable to the Servicer under the Indenture. The Trustee is authorized to join in the execution of any such supplemental indenture and to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations that may be in the agreements, but the Trustee should not be obligated to enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties, liabilities or immunities under the Indenture or otherwise, except to the extent required by law. Unless notified in writing by a Majority of any Class of Securities that the Class of Securities would be materially and adversely affected, the Trustee will be entitled to receive and may rely on a certificate of the Servicer or an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) as to whether the interests of any Holder of Securities would be materially and adversely affected by any such supplemental indenture.

If any Outstanding Notes are rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee will enter into a supplemental indenture without the consent of Holders only if either (1) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the supplemental indenture or (2) the Servicer and the Holders of 100% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes the ratings on which would be reduced or withdrawn consent to the supplemental indenture. Prior to the entry into any supplemental Indenture with respect to which a Rating Confirmation for one or more Classes of Notes is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Note informing them of such fact.

At the cost of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee will mail to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), each Rating Agency (for so long as any Notes are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency) and each Hedge Counterparty a copy of any such proposed supplemental indenture at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee (or 60 calendar days before execution in the case of a supplemental indenture for the purpose described in clause (8) above, which shall be identified as such in a certificate of the Servicer delivered to the Trustee before the date on which such notice is required to be given).

#### *With Consent of Holders*

If the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to S&P, with the consent of (a) the Servicer if the supplemental indenture would affect the rights, powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer or affect the amount or priority of any fees payable to the Servicer under the Indenture, (b) a Majority of each Class of Notes adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of each such Class of Notes and (c) a Majority of the Preference Shares adversely affected thereby, the Trustee and the Co-Issuers may enter into a supplemental indenture to add any provisions to, or change in any manner or eliminate any of the provisions of, the Indenture or modify in any manner the rights of the Holders of the Notes under the Indenture.

Any proposed supplemental indenture that would also necessitate a change to the Issuer Charter may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined therein) has been passed to permit the Issuer's constitutional documents to be altered to conform with such proposed change to the Indenture as certified to the Trustee by the Issuer.

Notwithstanding anything in the Indenture to the contrary, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected thereby and the Holder of each Outstanding Preference Share adversely affected thereby, no supplemental indenture shall:

(i) change the Stated Maturity of the principal of or the due date of any installment of interest on any Note or of any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares (other than in the case of any Maturity Extension in connection with an extension of the Replacement Period as described in "—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date"), reduce the principal amount or the rate of interest on any Note, or the Default Interest Rate or the Redemption Price with respect to any Note or Preference Share, or change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Share may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer, change the provisions of the Indenture relating to the application of proceeds of any Collateral to the payment of principal of or interest on Notes or to payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, or change any place where, or the coin or currency in which, Notes or their principal or interest are paid or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after their Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the applicable Redemption Date);

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class or Holders of Preference Shares whose consent is required for the authorization of any such supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of the Indenture or certain defaults under the Indenture or their consequences provided for in the Indenture;

(iii) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on a parity with the lien of the Indenture with respect to any part of the Collateral or terminate the lien on any property at any time subject hereto or deprive the Holder of any Note of the security afforded by the lien of the Indenture;

(iv) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class whose consent is required to request the Trustee to retain the Collateral pursuant to the Indenture or to sell or liquidate the Collateral pursuant to the Indenture;

(v) modify any of the provisions of these clauses (i) through (vii) with respect to supplemental indentures or to modify other provisions of the Indenture that expressly provide by their terms that they cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note and Preference Share affected thereby;

(vi) modify the definition of "Outstanding," "Controlling Class," or "Majority," or the Priority of Payments in the Indenture; or

(vii) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of Redemption Price or of interest or principal on any Note or any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the payment of dividends or other payments on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date or to affect the rights of the Holders of Notes or Preference Shares to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of the Notes or the Preference Shares contained in the Indenture.

Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the above provision, the Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, will mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) a copy of such proposed supplemental indenture and will request any required consent from the applicable Holders of Securities to be given within the Initial Consent Period. Any consent given to a proposed supplemental indenture by the Holder of any Securities will be irrevocable and binding on all future Holders or beneficial owners of that Security, irrespective of the execution date of the supplemental indenture. If the Holders of less than the required percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the relevant Securities consent to a proposed supplemental indenture within the Initial Consent Period, on the first Business Day after the Initial Consent Period, the Trustee will notify the Issuer and the Servicer which Holders of Securities have consented to the proposed supplemental indenture and, which Holders (and, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the Trustee, which beneficial owners) have not consented to



the proposed supplemental indenture. If it intends to exercise its Amendment Buy-Out Option, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must so notify the Trustee in writing (which notice will designate a date for the Amendment Buy-Out to occur no earlier than 10 Business Days after the date of such notice) no later than five Business Days after the Servicer is so notified by the Trustee and the Trustee will promptly mail such notice to all Noteholders and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares). Any Non-Consenting Holder may give consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture until the 5<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the date of the Amendment Buy-Out designated by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and in such case will cease to be a Non-Consenting Holder for purposes of the Amendment Buy-Out. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser exercises its Amendment Buy-Out Option and purchases the applicable Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, as Holder or beneficial owner of the applicable Securities, may consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture within five Business Days of the Amendment Buy-Out.

It is not necessary for any Act of Noteholders under the above provision to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if the Act or consent approves its substance.

The Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, will mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency a copy of any supplemental indenture promptly after its execution by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee.

### **Additional Issuance of Preference Shares**

The Preference Share Documents will provide that, at any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the proceeds from such issuance and sale to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or as otherwise permitted under the Preference Share Documents and the Indenture; *provided* that the following conditions are met: (a) the terms of the Preference Shares issued must be identical to the terms of previously issued Preference Shares and (b) the net proceeds of any additional Preference Shares are used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations. Such additional Preference Shares may be offered and sold at prices that differ from the initial offering prices of the outstanding Preference Shares; *provided* that the initial offering prices of additional Preference Shares shall not be below 100% of the face amount thereof. The Issuer must cause purchases of additional Preference Shares made pursuant to an additional issuance of Preference Shares to comply individually and in the aggregate with the applicable purchase and transfer restrictions for the Preference Shares set forth herein in "Transfer Restrictions" and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

Any additional Preference Shares issued will, to the extent reasonably practicable, be offered by the Issuer first to the existing Holders of the Preference Shares, in such amounts as are necessary to preserve their *pro rata* holdings of the Preference Shares. By its acceptance of the Preference Shares, each Holder of a Preference Share agrees that additional Preference Shares can be issued in accordance with the Preference Share Documents and the Indenture without consent of any Holder of the Securities.

Except as contemplated in connection with a Refinancing, the Indenture does not permit the issuance of additional Class A Notes, Class B Notes, Class C Notes, Class D Notes or Class E Notes or other obligations with terms similar to those of such Classes of Notes. See "—Redemption by Refinancing."

### **Amendment Buy-Out**

In the case of any supplemental indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Securities held by such Holders of the Class of Securities whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture (the "**Amendment Buy-Out Option**"), in each case, for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; *provided, however*, that the

Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser may not exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option during the Non-Call Period in connection with a proposed amendment to reduce the rate of interest on any Securities or to change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Shares may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all such Securities of Non-Consenting Holders for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an "**Amendment Buy-Out**"); *provided* that if any Non-Consenting Holder holds Class II Preference Shares, such Non-Consenting Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares. By its acceptance of its Securities under the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents, as applicable, each Holder of Securities agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its applicable Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser. Neither the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser nor any other Person shall have any liability to any Holder or beneficial owner of Securities as a result of an election by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser not to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option.

All purchases made pursuant to an Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Securities set forth herein in "Transfer Restrictions" and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

## Notices

Notices to the Holders of the Securities will be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the registered Holders of the Notes at their respective addresses appearing in the Indenture Register and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares). If and for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the ISE and the guidelines of the exchange so require, notice will also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

Any Holder or beneficial owner of any Class A Notes may elect to acquire bond insurance, a surety bond, a credit default swap or similar credit enhancement supporting the payment of principal and/or interest on such Class A Notes on terms and conditions acceptable to such Holder or beneficial owner and at the sole expense of such Holder or beneficial owner. On or after any such acquisition, such Holder or beneficial owner may deliver notice (and if from a beneficial owner, any such notice shall include certification that such owner is a beneficial owner of the Class A Notes) to the Trustee in substantially the form set out in the Indenture, specifying the name and contact information of the insurer, surety, credit protection seller or enhancer of such Class A Notes (each, an "**Insurer**"). After receipt of any such notice by the Trustee, the Trustee shall copy the related Insurer on all notices, reports or other documents delivered to the Noteholders.

## Certain Covenants

The Indenture contains certain covenants restricting the conduct of the Co-Issuers, including (i) restrictions on consolidations, mergers and transfers or conveyances of assets involving either Co-Issuer, (ii) restrictions on incurrence of debt other than the Notes and certain obligations incidental to the performance by each Co-Issuer of its obligations under the Indenture, (iii) restrictions on the ability of either Co-Issuer to conduct activities inconsistent with its special-purpose nature and (iv) certain restrictions on amendments of the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Servicing Agreement.

## Certain Additional Issues Relating to Listing of Senior Notes

Application has been made for the Senior Notes to be admitted to the *Official List* of the ISE and trading on its regulated market. There can be no assurance that any such admission will be granted or maintained.

The Indenture provides that, so long as any Senior Notes remain Outstanding, the Co-Issuers shall use all reasonable efforts to obtain and maintain the listing of the Senior Notes on the regulated

market of the ISE; *provided* that the Co-Issuers will not be required to maintain a listing on a stock exchange in the European Union if compliance with requirements of the European Commission on a member state becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer.

### **Cancellation**

All Securities that are paid in full or redeemed and surrendered for cancellation will forthwith be canceled and may not be reissued or resold.

### **No Gross-Up**

All payments made by the Issuer under the Securities will be made without any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax unless the deduction or withholding is required by any applicable law, as modified by the practice of any relevant governmental revenue authority, then in effect. If the Issuer is so required to deduct or withhold, then the Issuer will not be obligated to pay any additional amounts in respect of the withholding or deduction.

### **Petitions for Bankruptcy**

The Indenture provides that the Trustee, each Hedge Counterparty, the Servicer and the Holders of the Notes may not cause the Issuer or Co-Issuer to petition for bankruptcy before one year and one day have elapsed since the final payments to the Holders of all Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, including any period established pursuant to the laws of the Cayman Islands.

### **Standard of Conduct**

The Indenture provides that, in exercising any of its or their voting rights, rights to direct and consent or any other rights as a Noteholder under the Indenture, subject to the terms and conditions of the Indenture, a Noteholder shall not have any obligation or duty to any Person or to consider or take into account the interests of any Person and shall not be liable to any Person for any action taken by it or them or at its or their direction or any failure by it or them to act or to direct that an action be taken, without regard to whether the action or inaction benefits or adversely affects any Noteholder, the Issuer, or any other Person, except for any liability to which the Noteholder may be subject to the extent the same results from the Noteholder's taking or directing an action, or failing to take or direct an action, in bad faith or in violation of the express terms of the Indenture.

### **Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture**

The Indenture will be discharged with respect to the Collateral upon delivery to the Trustee for cancellation of all of the Notes, or, within certain limitations (including the obligation to pay interest on or principal of the Notes) upon deposit with the Trustee of funds sufficient for the payment or redemption thereof and the payment by the Co-Issuers or the Issuer, as applicable, of all other amounts due under the Indenture.

### **Trustee**

State Street Bank and Trust Company will be the Trustee under the Indenture. The Co-Issuers, the Servicer and their respective Affiliates may maintain other banking relationships in the ordinary course of business with the Trustee and its Affiliates. The payment of the fees and expenses of the Trustee relating to the Notes is solely the obligation of the Issuer. The payment of the fees and expenses, which will be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments, is secured by a lien on the Collateral which is senior to the lien of the Holders of the Notes. The Trustee and its Affiliates may receive compensation in connection with the purchase of trust assets in certain Eligible Investments as provided in the Indenture. Eligible Investments may include assets for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee is the obligor or depository institution or provide services. The Indenture contains provisions for the indemnification of the Trustee for any loss, liability or expense (including reasonable attorney's fees and costs) incurred

without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of the Indenture.

Pursuant to the Indenture, as security for the payment by the Issuer of the compensation and expenses of the Trustee and any sums the Trustee may be entitled to receive as indemnification by the Issuer, the Issuer will grant the Trustee a senior lien on the Collateral, which is senior to the lien of the holders of the Secured Obligations on the Collateral.

Pursuant to the Indenture, the Trustee may resign at any time by providing 30 days' written notice to the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Holders of each Class of Notes, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency, upon receipt of which the Co-Issuers shall by board resolution (or, if an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class) promptly appoint a successor trustee that meets the requirements set forth in the Indenture. If no successor trustee is appointed within 60 days after such notice, the resigning Trustee or any Holder of a Class of Notes may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of such successor. The Trustee may be removed (i) at any time by the Co-Issuers as directed by board resolution (or, if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, by a Majority of the Controlling Class) or (ii) by order of a court of competent jurisdiction. If at any time the Trustee ceases to be an eligible trustee under the Indenture and fails to resign after written request by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class, or the Trustee becomes incapable of acting or is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent, then (A) the Co-Issuers may, and at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall, remove the Trustee, or (B) any Holder of a Security may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor trustee. If the Trustee is removed or becomes incapable of acting, or if a vacancy occurs in the office of the Trustee for any reason (other than resignation), the Co-Issuers shall promptly appoint a successor trustee. If the Co-Issuers fail to appoint a successor trustee within 60 days after the removal or incapability or the occurrence of the vacancy, a successor trustee may be appointed by a Majority of the Controlling Class by written instrument. If no successor trustee has been so appointed by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class, then the Trustee to be replaced or any Holder of a Security, may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor trustee. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, no resignation or removal of the Trustee will become effective until the acceptance of appointment by a successor trustee pursuant to the terms of the Indenture.

## **Governing Law**

The Notes, the Indenture, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Subscription Agreements, the Securities Lending Agreements, and the Hedge Agreements will be governed by the laws of the State of New York. The Administration Agreement and the Issuer Charter will be governed by the laws of the Cayman Islands.

## **Method of Payments**

Payments of principal and interest on any Note or payments on or in respect of the Preference Shares (including any Redemption Price paid on the applicable Redemption Date) and of any payments on any Notes or Preference Shares will be made to the person in whose name the related Note or Preference Share is registered 15 days before the applicable Payment Date (the "**Record Date**"). Payments will be made (i) in the case of a Global Note, to the Depository or its designee and to the Holder or its nominee with respect to a Definitive Security, by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a United States dollar account maintained by the Depository or its nominee with respect to a Global Note and to the Holder or its designee with respect to a Definitive Security if the Holder has provided written wiring instructions to the Trustee and, if the payment is to be made by the Irish Paying Agent, the Irish Paying Agent on or before the related Record Date or, (ii) if appropriate wiring instructions are not received by the related Record Date, by check drawn on a U.S. bank mailed to the address of the Holder in the Indenture Register (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the share register). Final payments of principal of the Notes or Preference Shares will be made against surrender of the related Notes or Preference Shares at the office designated by the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent. None of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Servicer, the

Initial Purchaser, any paying agent, or any of their respective affiliates will have any responsibility or liability for any aspects of the records maintained by the Depository or its nominee or any of its direct or indirect participants (including Euroclear or Clearstream or any of their respective direct or indirect participants) relating to payments made on account of beneficial interests in a Global Note.

The Co-Issuers expect that the Depository or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment of principal or interest in respect of a Global Note held by the Depository or its nominee, will immediately credit participants' accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the Global Note as shown on the records of the Depository or its nominee. The Co-Issuers also expect that payments by participants (i.e., direct participants) to owners of beneficial interests in a Global Note held through the participants (i.e., indirect participants) will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers registered in the names of nominees for the customers. The payments will be the responsibility of the participants.

For so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the ISE and the guidelines of the exchange shall so require, the Issuer and the Co-Issuers, as applicable, will have the Irish Paying Agent for the Senior Notes in Ireland and payments on the Senior Notes may be effected through the Irish Paying Agent. If the Irish Paying Agent is replaced at any time during the period, notice of the appointment of any replacement will be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

### **Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement**

#### *General*

Pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agent will perform various fiscal services with respect to the Preference Shares on behalf of the Issuer, including the maintenance of the Preference Shares Distribution Account and the making of distributions on the Preference Shares. The Preference Shares Paying Agent will deliver or request the Trustee to deliver all Monthly Reports and Valuation Reports prepared pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deliver, or shall cause the Trustee to deliver, a copy of any other notice or information it receives from the Trustee under the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case (i) by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to each Holder of a Preference Share at the address appearing in the share register of the Issuer or (ii) with respect to delivery of Monthly Reports and Valuation Reports, by making such reports available via its internet website, initially located at <http://www.cdocalc.com/ibt/cdo/>. All information made available on the Preference Shares Paying Agent's website will be restricted and the Preference Shares Paying Agent will only provide access to such reports to those parties entitled thereto pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. In connection with providing access to its website, the Preference Shares Paying Agent may require registration and the acceptance of a disclaimer. Questions regarding the Preference Shares Paying Agent's website can be directed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent's customer service desk at (617) 937-4175. The payment of the fees and expenses of the Preference Shares Paying Agent is solely the obligation of the Issuer. The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement contains provisions for the indemnification of the Preference Shares Paying Agent for any loss, liability or expense incurred without gross negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith on its part, arising out of or in connection with the performance of its function under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

#### *Redemption*

On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Issuer is scheduled to redeem the Preference Shares for a redemption price equal to all amounts distributable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares as provided under "—Priority of Payments," unless the Preference Shares have been redeemed earlier through an optional redemption as described herein or otherwise.

### *Governing Law*

The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York. The rights of the Holders of the Preference Shares will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the Cayman Islands.

### *Redesignation of Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares*

The Share Registrar will record in the register maintained by it which Preference Shares are held by HFP or any of its subsidiaries. Such Preference Shares will be designated by the Share Registrar as Class II Preference Shares. Any transfer of Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to any Person other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries will require redesignation by the Share Registrar of such Class II Preference Shares into Class I Preference Shares and any transfer of Class I Preference Shares to HFP or any of its subsidiaries will require redesignation by the Share Registrar of such Class I Preference Shares into Class II Preference Shares.

### *Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities*

If the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, desires to make distributions of Eligible Equity Securities on any Payment Date in lieu of Interest Proceeds that are otherwise available for distribution to the Holders of Preference Shares on such Payment Date pursuant to the Priority of Payments, the Servicer will notify the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent not later than 20 calendar days prior to such Payment Date and provide the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding on the Record Date or promptly thereafter, but in any event no later than two Business Days after the Record Date, to each Holder of the Preference Shares registered as such on the Record Date for such Payment Date) with (i) details of the Eligible Equity Securities to be distributed, (ii) the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities determined as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date, (iii) any other information considered necessary by the Servicer in connection with such proposed distribution and (iv) any information as otherwise required by the Trustee and/or the Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such proposed distribution. The Preference Shares Paying Agent will then mail such materials, within two Business Days of its receipt thereof from the Servicer, to each registered Holder of Preference Shares on the Record Date for such Payment Date along with a form of notice and consent (in a form attached to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement) seeking the written consent of each such Holder of Preference Shares to distribute such Eligible Equity Securities to such Holder in lieu of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date. Each Holder of the Preference Shares wishing to receive such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of a distribution of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such applicable Payment Date (each such Holder with respect to such Payment Date, a "**Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares**") must deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent a written consent (which consent will be irrevocable) not later than five Business Days prior to such Payment Date. If any Holder of Preference Shares does not timely deliver its written consent to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in the manner set forth in such notice indicating its consent to the receipt of such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of a distribution of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date, such Holder will be deemed to have not given its consent and shall not be a Consenting Holder of Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. On each applicable Payment Date (or as soon thereafter as reasonably practicable), Eligible Equity Securities will be distributed *pro rata* to each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. Each Holder of Preference Shares that is not a Consenting Holder of Preference Shares (and, for the avoidance of doubt, each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares to the extent the Market Value as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date of the *pro rata* portion of Eligible Equity Securities distributed to it on such Payment Date is less than the *pro rata* portion of the Interest Proceeds that it would have received on such Payment Date had the Eligible Equity Securities not been distributed on such Payment Date) on any applicable Payment Date will receive a distribution of Interest Proceeds to the extent available in accordance with the Priority of Payments on such Payment Date. See "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds."

### *Amendment*

*Without the Consent of Holders.* The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement may be amended by the parties thereto, without the consent of the Holders of any Preference Shares, for the purpose of curing any ambiguity, or of curing, correcting or supplementing any defective provision contained therein, or in regard to matters or questions arising under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement as the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem necessary or desirable and which shall not materially adversely affect the interests of Holders of the Preference Shares. In addition, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement may be amended without the consent of any Holders of the Preference Shares and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Preference Shares in order to prevent the Issuer from becoming an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); *provided that*, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such amendment, each of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer shall have received a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such amendment, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

*With the Consent of Holders.* Unless otherwise set forth in the preceding paragraph, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement may be amended with the consent of Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares materially and adversely affected thereby.

Any amendment to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement must be in writing, executed by each party thereto. The Preference Shares Paying Agent is entitled to receive, and (subject to the terms of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an opinion of counsel, consent or certificate of the Issuer in determining whether or not any proposed amendment is permitted under Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

Any amendment to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement that would also necessitate a change to the Issuer Charter may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Issuer Charter) has been passed to permit the Issuer Charter to be altered to conform with such proposed amendment.

### **The Issuer Charter**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Issuer Charter relating to the Preference Shares that are not referred to elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum.

#### *Voting Rights*

Other than as provided below, only the holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares shall have the right to receive notice of, attend at and vote as a shareholder of the Issuer at any general meeting of the Issuer. Every holder of an Issuer Ordinary Share present at any meeting shall, on a show of hands, be entitled to one vote and, on a poll, shall be entitled to one vote per Issuer Ordinary Share held by such holder.

Other than as provided below, the Holders of the Preference Shares shall have the right to receive notice of, attend at and vote as a shareholder of the Issuer at any general meeting of the Issuer only in respect of a resolution which relates to any circumstance or matter which under the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents or the Servicing Agreement can take place or occur only at the direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares (a "**Preference Share Vote**"). Every Holder of Preference Shares present shall, on a show of hands, be entitled to one vote and, on a poll, shall be entitled to one vote per Preference Share held by such Holder except that, in relation to a Preference Share Vote relating to certain matters (as set out in the Indenture) Preference Shares held by certain Holders (as set out in the Indenture), shall be ignored.

The Class II Preference Shares will have total control with respect to the appointment and removal of the directors of the Issuer as long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is higher than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date. If the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is lower than or equal to the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date, only the Issuer Ordinary Shares will be entitled to vote with respect to the appointment and removal of the directors of the Issuer.

#### *Liquidation*

In the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Issuer:

(i) the Holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares at the time outstanding will be entitled to receive out of the assets of the Issuer available for distribution to shareholders, before any distribution of assets is made to Holders of the Preference Shares, an amount equal to U.S.\$2.00 in respect of each Issuer Ordinary Share held by each such holder; and

(ii) the Holders of the Preference Shares at the time Outstanding will be entitled to the balance of the assets of the Issuer available for distribution to shareholders, after distribution of amounts due to holders of Issuer Ordinary Shares under the above subparagraph, *pro rata* according to the number of Preference Shares held by each such holder.

If the assets available for distribution to holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares are not sufficient to pay to such holders U.S.\$2.00 in respect of each Issuer Ordinary Share, the available assets shall be distributed to holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares *pro rata* according to the number of Issuer Ordinary Shares held by each such holder.

#### *Transfer*

The rights of a Holder of a Preference Share to transfer such Preference Share are subject to restrictions set out in the Preference Share Documents and as described in "Transfer Restrictions."

#### *Petitions for Bankruptcy*

Each Holder of a Preference Share will be required to agree (or be deemed to have agreed) not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect.

### **USE OF PROCEEDS**

The Securities will be issued and sold for Cash on the Closing Date. The gross proceeds from the issuance of such Securities on the Closing Date are expected to equal approximately U.S.\$967,587,000 and will be used by the Issuer to:

- purchase a portfolio of Collateral Obligations;
- fund the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to cover any future draws on Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans;
- enter into any Hedge Agreements, as applicable;
- enter into Synthetic Security Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the related accounts);
- repay amounts owed to the Pre-Closing Parties in connection with the financing of the Issuer's pre-closing acquisition of Collateral Obligations;



- fund the Closing Date Expense Account;
- pay certain expenses related to the transaction; and
- undertake certain related activities.

### SECURITY FOR THE NOTES

The Notes and the Issuer's obligations under any Hedge Agreements and the Servicing Agreement will be secured by the following:

- (i) the Collateral Obligations and all Workout Assets;
- (ii) the Custodial Account, the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Securities Lending Account (such accounts, collectively, the "**Issuer Accounts**"), Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, and all income from funds in the Issuer Accounts;
- (iii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account (and together with the Issuer Accounts, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the "**Accounts**") and assets included therein, subject to the terms of the related Synthetic Security (*provided, however*, that any such rights in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee (or securities intermediary) first to secure the Issuer's payment obligations to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty and second for the benefit of the Secured Parties);
- (iv) the Servicing Agreement, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Securities Lending Agreements and all Securities Lending Collateral and the Securities Lending Account, the Hedge Agreements as set forth in the Indenture and all Collateral securing the Hedge Counterparty's obligations thereunder including, without limitation, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account and the Collateral Administration Agreement to the extent of any rights of the Issuer therein;
- (v) all Cash or money delivered to the Trustee (or its bailee); and
- (vi) all proceeds with respect to the foregoing (collectively, the "**Collateral**").

For the avoidance of any doubt, Collateral will exclude (i) amounts released from the Trustee's lien in connection with certain Synthetic Securities, Hedge Agreements and Securities Lending Agreements in accordance with the Indenture and (ii) the Excluded Property.

### Purchase of Collateral Obligations

The Indenture will provide that the Servicer will use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the Issuer to purchase or enter into binding commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations that meet certain minimum amounts and characteristics. The composition of the portfolio of Collateral Obligations will be determined by the selections of the Servicer designed to meet the Eligibility Criteria, the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests and the requirements provided in paragraphs (i) through (ix) in "—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations." See "—Eligibility Criteria," "—The Collateral Quality Tests," "—The Coverage Tests" and "—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations."

On the Interim Targets Date, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall submit to Moody's (x) a statement showing compliance with the Interim Targets, or (y) if the Interim Targets are not satisfied, a plan for achieving compliance with such Interim Targets by the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

The Servicer expects that, by the end of the Ramp-Up Period, the Issuer will have purchased or committed to purchase Collateral Obligations having an Aggregate Principal Balance of approximately U.S.\$992,377,774 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that

may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date).

### Eligibility Criteria

On any date during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, on any date after the Replacement Period), so long as no Event of Default is continuing, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to apply Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations) to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) if the conditions specified in the Indenture are satisfied. No obligations may be purchased unless each of the conditions in the following clauses (1) through (12) (the "**Eligibility Criteria**") is satisfied as evidenced by a certificate of the Servicer as of the date the Issuer commits to make the purchase, in each case after giving effect to the purchase and all other purchases and sales previously or simultaneously committed to:

- (1) the obligation is a Collateral Obligation;
- (2) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period:
  - (A) each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied and, if the commitment is made on or after the second Payment Date, each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied; or
  - (B) if any such Coverage Test is not satisfied, both:
    - (i) the extent of satisfaction of the Coverage Test is not reduced; and
    - (ii) the Collateral Obligation is being purchased with Principal Proceeds other than:
      - (x) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or
      - (y) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Workout Asset that has been received in exchange for a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
- (3) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Diversity Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (4) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (5) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, each of the limits in the definition of "Concentration Limitations" is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (6) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (7) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (8) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

- (9) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (10) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (11) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced; *provided, however*, that this Eligibility Criterion (11) shall not apply either to the application of the proceeds from the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset or to the application of Principal Proceeds in respect of Defaulted Collateral Obligations; and
- (12) for any date occurring after the Replacement Period:
  - (A) each Coverage Test is satisfied and the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
  - (B) each Collateral Quality Test (other than the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test) is maintained or improved and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied;
  - (C) each Concentration Limitation is maintained or improved and the Aggregate Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations do not exceed 7.5% of the Maximum Amount;
  - (D) the stated maturity of such Collateral Obligation is equal to or earlier than the stated maturity of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments or the Credit Risk Obligations or Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable;
  - (E) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation is at least equal to the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments or of the Credit Risk Obligations or Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable;
  - (F) the Scenario Default Rate for all Outstanding Classes of Notes is no worse following such purchase; and
  - (G) the current Moody's Ratings on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes are no lower than their Initial Rating and the current Moody's Ratings on the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes are no lower than one subcategory below their Initial Rating.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to purchase any Collateral Obligation following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal or resignation pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement until a successor servicer is appointed pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement. See "The Servicing Agreement."

The Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, exchange a Collateral Obligation for another Collateral Obligation in an A/B Exchange.

Cash on deposit in the Collection Account may be held in Eligible Investments in accordance with this "Eligibility Criteria" section pending the application thereof to purchase Collateral Obligations.

The Indenture provides that any sale or purchase by the Issuer of a Collateral Obligation shall be conducted on an arm's length basis and, if effected with the Servicer or a person Affiliated with the Servicer or any fund or account for which the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer acts as investment

adviser, shall be effected in accordance with the requirements the Servicing Agreement on terms no less favorable to the Issuer than would be the case if the person were not so Affiliated.

### **The Collateral Quality Tests**

The Collateral Quality Tests will be used primarily as criteria for purchasing Collateral Obligations. See "—Eligibility Criteria" above and "—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations" below. The Collateral Quality Tests are described below.

Measurement of the degree of compliance with the Collateral Quality Tests will be required on each Measurement Date on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

#### *The Diversity Test*

The "**Diversity Test**" is a test that will be satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Diversity Score as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score. For the purposes of calculating the Diversity Test, any Structured Finance Obligation that is (i) a collateralized loan obligation (including any collateralized loan obligation primarily backed by other collateralized loan obligations), (ii) any Synthetic Security with respect to which the Reference Obligation is a collateralized loan obligation or (iii) any Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time will be disregarded.

#### *Weighted Average Life Test*

The "**Weighted Average Life Test**" is a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the greater of (a) the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and August 1, 2017 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date and (b) 2.5 years.

#### *Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test*

The "**Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test**" is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 44.50%.

#### *Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test*

The "**Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test**" is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Recovery Rate for each Class of Notes is greater than or equal to: (i) with respect to the Class A Notes, 60%; (ii) with respect to the Class B Notes, 63%; (iii) with respect to the Class C Notes, 66%; (iv) with respect to the Class D Notes, 70%; and (v) with respect to the Class E Notes, 72%.

#### *Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test*

The "**Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test**" is a test that is satisfied if, as of any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 7.50%.

#### *Weighted Average Spread Test*

The "**Weighted Average Spread Test**" is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread.

*Weighted Average Rating Factor Test*

The "**Weighted Average Rating Factor Test**" is a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of the Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor.

*S&P CDO Monitor Test*

The "**S&P CDO Monitor Test**" is a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive. The S&P CDO Monitor Test shall be considered to be improved if each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is at least equal to the corresponding Note Class Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio. The S&P CDO Monitor Test is not required to be satisfied or improved upon the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation and the application of the related Sale Proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations. For purposes of the S&P CDO Monitor Test:

- (i) the S&P Rating of any S&P Unrated DIP Loan shall be "CCC;" and
- (ii) the S&P Industry Classification for a Synthetic Security shall be that of the related Reference Obligation and not the Synthetic Security.

The "**Note Class Loss Differential**" with respect to any Measurement Date and any Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the rate calculated by subtracting the Scenario Default Rate for the Class from the then-applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate for the Class of Notes.

The "**Note Break-Even Loss Rate**" with respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the maximum percentage of defaults that the Current Portfolio or Proposed Portfolio can sustain (as determined by S&P through application of the S&P CDO Monitor) and nevertheless sufficient funds will remain for the payment of principal of the Class of Notes in full by its Stated Maturity and the timely payment of interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes and the ultimate payment of interest on the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes using S&P's assumptions on recoveries, defaults, and timing, and taking into account the Priority of Payments.

On the Ramp-Up Completion Date, S&P shall provide seventeen (17) different S&P CDO Monitors to the Issuer, the Servicer, the Collateral Administrator and the Trustee, such S&P CDO Monitors corresponding to portfolios with weighted average spreads of 2.20%, 2.25%, 2.30%, 2.35%, 2.40%, 2.45%, 2.50%, 2.55%, 2.60%, 2.65%, 2.70%, 2.75%, 2.80%, 2.85%, 2.90%, 2.95% and 3.00%, respectively. After the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Servicer, by written notice to the Collateral Administrator, the Trustee and S&P, will elect which S&P CDO Monitor shall apply initially and, thereafter, on two Business Days written notice prior to the Measurement Date to the Collateral Administrator, Trustee and S&P, the Servicer will elect to have a different S&P CDO Monitor apply, such S&P CDO Monitor corresponding to a portfolio with a weighted average spread that is equal to or lower than the Weighted Average Spread of the Floating Rate Obligations in the Collateral at the time of such election; *provided*, that if the Weighted Average Spread of the Floating Rate Obligations in the Collateral at the time of such election is less than 2.20%, then the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will request S&P to provide a different S&P CDO Monitor which has a weighted average spread equal to or lower than the Weighted Average Spread of the Floating Rate Obligations in the Collateral. For the avoidance of doubt, the selection of an S&P CDO Monitor as described in this paragraph shall be separate and independent of any election of the Servicer with respect to the Ratings Matrix.

**The Coverage Tests***General*

The Coverage Tests will be used to determine, among other things, whether Notes will be redeemed in certain circumstances as described under "Description of the Securities—Priority of

Payments" and whether additional Collateral Obligations may be acquired as described under "—Eligibility Criteria." There will not be any Coverage Test applicable to the Preference Shares.

*The Overcollateralization Tests*

The "**Overcollateralization Tests**" will consist of the Class A/B Overcollateralization Test, the Class C Overcollateralization Test, the Class D Overcollateralization Test and the Class E Overcollateralization Test.

Each Overcollateralization Test will be satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes on any Measurement Date if, as of such Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the specified required level for the Class indicated in the table in "Summary of Terms—The Overcollateralization Tests."

The Overcollateralization Ratio, with respect to each Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, is referred to as an "**Overcollateralization Ratio**," and is the ratio calculated by *dividing*:

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator; by
- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it (excluding any Deferred Interest on the Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it); *provided* that the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes shall constitute one Class of Notes for purposes of the Overcollateralization Ratio relating to such Classes of Notes.

The "**Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator**" is, on any date, the sum of:

- (1) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (other than any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, any Deep Discount Obligations and any Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an "event of default" (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing); *plus*
- (2) unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal (excluding any unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal in respect of Non-Performing Collateral Obligations); *plus*
- (3) the Aggregate Principal Balance of any Eligible Investments that were purchased with Principal Proceeds and the amount of Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
- (4) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Eligible Investments on deposit in a Securities Lending Account that relate to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an "event of default" (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing; *plus*
- (5) with respect to Collateral Obligations that are Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, Deep Discount Obligations or Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, the amount determined by using one of the following methods applicable to such type of Collateral Obligation; *provided* that if a Collateral Obligation falls within more than one of such types, the Issuer will be required to use the method that results in the smallest amount:
  - (A) with respect to any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, an amount equal to the product of (i) the CCC+/Caa1 Excess Market Value Percentage, *multiplied* by (ii) the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations;
  - (B) with respect to any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, the aggregate of the Applicable Collateral Obligation Amounts for all included Non-Performing Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations that have been

held by the Issuer for more than three years, which shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this clause (B)); and

- (C) with respect to any Deep Discount Obligations, the Aggregate Purchase Price Amount for all Deep Discount Obligations.

**"Applicable Collateral Obligation Amount"** for any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation means:

- (1) the lesser of (x) the Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation and (y) the Applicable Percentage for the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation *multiplied* by:
- (2) if the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation is:
  - (A) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (B) through (D) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
  - (B) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
  - (C) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and
  - (D) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

As used in the calculation of Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation, the Principal Balance of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall be, if the Defaulted Collateral Obligation is:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (ii) through (iv) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and
- (iv) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

#### *The Interest Coverage Tests*

The Interest Coverage Test in respect of each Class of Notes (each an **"Interest Coverage Test"**) is a test the first Measurement Date for which will be on the second Payment Date and that is satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level specified in the table in "Summary of Terms— The Interest Coverage Tests."

The **"Interest Coverage Ratio"** with respect to any specified Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by dividing:

- (i) the sum of:
  - (A) the Interest Proceeds received or scheduled to be received with respect to the Due Period in which the Measurement Date occurs; *minus*

- (B) amounts payable under clauses (1), (2), (3) and (4) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" on the related Payment Date; by
- (ii) all accrued and unpaid interest on the specified Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to the Class, including any Deferred Interest on the related Payment Date *provided* that the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes shall constitute one Class of Notes for purposes of the Interest Coverage Ratio relating to such Classes of Notes.

For purposes of the Interest Coverage Ratio, only the amount of any interest payment (including any "gross up" payment) on any Collateral Obligation in excess of any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction on any date of determination shall be included in Interest Proceeds.

#### *Retention Overcollateralization Test*

The "**Retention Overcollateralization Test**" is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date during the Replacement Period on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Retention Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 105.0%.

#### **Ramp-Up**

In connection with the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period or enter into commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period for purchase on or as soon as practicable thereafter (not to exceed 60 days thereafter), in each case, for inclusion in the Collateral so that the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes is at least U.S.\$992,377,774.

No Collateral Obligations may be purchased prior to the Ramp-Up Completion Date unless immediately following the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (as certified by the Servicer in writing), the remaining funds in the Collection Account, after giving effect to such purchase, are sufficient as of the date of determination to purchase Collateral Obligations for inclusion in the Collateral so that the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes is at least U.S.\$992,377,774 (taking into account the Collateral Obligations already part of the Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date)).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, or any other provision of the Indenture, if the Issuer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase a Collateral Obligation to be included in the Collateral, such commitment initially not to exceed 60 days, and at the time of the commitment the Collateral Obligation complied with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set forth under "—Ramp-Up," the Issuer may consummate the purchase of the Collateral Obligation notwithstanding that the Collateral Obligation fails to comply with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set out above on the date of settlement.

The Issuer will use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase, or to enter into binding agreements to purchase, Collateral Obligations by the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that, together with the Collateral Obligations purchased on or before the Closing Date and then held by the Issuer, will satisfy, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date), the Collateral Quality Tests, the Concentration Limitations, the criteria set forth in the Indenture and the Overcollateralization Tests.

No later than five Business Days after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer or the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) shall deliver a Ramp-Up Notice to each of the Rating Agencies and request in writing that each of S&P and Moody's confirm in writing within 25 days of delivery of such Ramp-Up Notice that it has not reduced or withdrawn the Initial Ratings; *provided*, however, that the Issuer shall not



be required to request a Rating Confirmation from Moody's if, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date Moody's has received, as described below, an accountant's certificate confirming (i) the Issuer is in compliance with each of the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests and the Concentration Limitations and (ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owns or has committed to purchase is at least equal to U.S.\$992,377,774. In connection with such request or, in the case of Moody's, in lieu of such request, the Issuer shall provide a report to the Rating Agencies identifying the Collateral Obligations then included in the Collateral and the Issuer shall obtain and deliver to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies, together with the delivery of a report (and, with respect to S&P, the Excel Default Model Input File (if applicable)) substantially in the form of a Monthly Report as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, an accountants' certificate:

(i) confirming the maturity date, rating, spread and recovery rate for each item of original Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date and the information provided by the Issuer with respect to every other asset included in the Collateral, by reference to such sources as shall be specified therein;

(ii) confirming that as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date:

(1) each of the Coverage Tests are satisfied;

(2) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator of Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owned or committed to purchase as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date is at least equal to the Maximum Amount; and

(3) the Collateral Obligations comply with all of the requirements of the Collateral Quality Tests and the Concentration Limitations and the criteria set forth in "—Eligibility Criteria;" and

(iii) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing statements.

If the Issuer is unable to obtain a requested Rating Confirmation from either S&P or, if required, Moody's with respect to any Class of Notes on or prior to the date 25 days after the delivery of the Ramp-Up Notice, as described above, a Rating Confirmation Failure will be deemed to have occurred (a "**Rating Confirmation Failure**"). If a Rating Confirmation Failure should occur, the Notes will be redeemed pursuant to the Indenture and as described in "Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes upon Rating Confirmation Failure."

### **Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations**

Pursuant to the Indenture and so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell (and the Trustee will sell) any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset if the sale meets the requirements in paragraphs (i) through (ix) below:

(i) *Credit Risk Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Risk Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Risk Obligation in accordance with such direction. Following any sale of a Credit Risk Obligation pursuant to the Indenture, at the direction of the Servicer during the Replacement Period, the Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (to the extent the purchase is in the best interest of the Issuer) meeting the Eligibility Criteria with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Sale Proceeds received by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral Obligation sold. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount.

- (ii) *Credit Improved Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Improved Obligation if either:
- (1) during the Replacement Period, the Servicer has identified in writing before the sale one or more specific manners in which it will be able, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria and the requirements set forth in paragraph (ix) below, to cause the Issuer to use the Sale Proceeds (it being understood that such identification shall not be considered either a requirement or an assurance that any specified purchase will be consummated) to purchase one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Credit Improved Obligation by the end of the immediately succeeding Due Period (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest) which in aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Tests, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith being improved, (ii) the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests and Concentration Limitations being improved on a net basis in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased; and
  - (2) after the Replacement Period, the Sale Proceeds received in respect of the Credit Improved Obligation are at least equal to its Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest);
- and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Improved Obligation in accordance with such direction.
- (iii) *Non-Performing Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction. Non-Performing Collateral Obligations may be sold regardless of price.
- (iv) *Non-qualifying Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation (the "**Non-Qualifying Collateral Obligation**") at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell that obligation in accordance with such direction.
- (v) *Withholding Tax Sales.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation subject to withholding tax at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction.

- (vi) *Optional Redemption.* After the Issuer has notified the Trustee of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all or a portion of the Collateral Obligations as contemplated therein if (A) the requirements in respect of an Optional Redemption under the Indenture have been satisfied and (B) the independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to the Indenture have confirmed the calculations contained in any required certificate furnished by the Servicer pursuant to the Indenture's Note redemption procedure provisions. After the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares have directed an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Indenture, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all of the remaining Collateral Obligations (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to clause (i) under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares") or a portion of the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous directions of Holders of the Preference Shares (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to clause (ii) under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares") and the Trustee shall sell the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.
- (vii) *Rating Confirmation Failure.* After the Servicer has received notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Securities, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell Collateral Obligations as contemplated in the Indenture and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.
- (viii) *Workout Assets.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Workout Asset at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and regardless of price and the Trustee shall sell the Workout Assets in accordance with such direction.
- (ix) *Supervening Requirement.* Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Issuer (at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise) will not acquire or dispose of a Collateral Obligation or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. For the avoidance of doubt, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise, may direct the Trustee to sell any CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation or Deep Discount Obligation only (a) if it constitutes Credit Risk Obligation or Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or (b) in connection with the Optional Redemption as set out in paragraph (vi) above. The Trustee will have no obligation to monitor compliance by the Issuer or the Servicer with respect to the requirement set out in this paragraph.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation (other than the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation or a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation pursuant to a sale that meets the requirements in paragraph (i) or (iii) above, as applicable) following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement until a successor servicer is appointed pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement. See "The Servicing Agreement."

#### **Certain Determinations Relating to Collateral Obligations**

The Indenture provides that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained therein, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have purchased any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to purchase, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to receive such

Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have acquired, granted or delivered, as the case may be, such Collateral Obligations on such date.

The Indenture provides that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained therein, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to sell, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to sell, and requiring the purchaser to purchase, such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold such Collateral Obligations on such date.

Under the circumstances described in the two preceding paragraphs, if the transaction contemplated by the contract, commitment letter, confirmation or due bill referred to therein does not settle on or before the 60<sup>th</sup> day following the scheduled settlement date (the "**Deadline**"), the deemed purchase or sale shall be deemed not to have occurred; *provided, however*, that the Servicer shall have the right to extend the Deadline for an additional period (not to exceed an additional 60 days) by notice to the Trustee, which notice shall include the Servicer's certification to the effect that the Servicer believes that the settlement shall occur on or before the extended Deadline.

Scheduled distributions with respect to any Pledged Obligation shall be determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Indenture.

### **The Accounts**

The Indenture provides that the Trustee will establish separate segregated non-interest bearing trust accounts, which will be designated as the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Custodial Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Securities Lending Account and the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account. In addition, Synthetic Security Counterparty Accounts may also be established. The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement provides that the Preference Shares Paying Agent will establish a segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Preference Shares Distribution Account. Any account may contain any number of subaccounts.

*Collection Account.* The Trustee shall deposit into the "**Collection Account**":

- (i) any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account pursuant to the Indenture;
- (ii) all Principal Proceeds (unless (1) simultaneously used to purchase Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture, (2) deposited into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or (3) posted by the Issuer as cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security or in Eligible Investments) received by the Trustee;
- (iii) all Interest Proceeds received by the Trustee (unless simultaneously used to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture or in Eligible Investments); and
- (iv) all other funds received by the Trustee from the Collateral and not excluded above.

The Issuer and the Servicer may, but will not be required to, jointly deposit from time to time any monies in the Collection Account it deems, in its sole discretion, to be advisable (and may designate any amounts so deposited as Principal Proceeds or Interest Proceeds in its discretion).

Any Principal Proceeds received during the Replacement Period, and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments

received after the Replacement Period, which have not been used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations on the Business Day of receipt shall be deposited in the Collection Account and shall at the direction of the Servicer be applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the other requirements set forth in the Indenture or the purchase of Eligible Investments pending such application or used to enter into additional Hedge Agreements or used in connection with a Special Redemption. Principal Proceeds (other than Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations, Credit Risk Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments) received after the Replacement Period shall be deposited into the Collection Account and applied to the purchase of Eligible Investments.

The Collection Account shall be maintained for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer and each Hedge Counterparty and amounts on deposit in the Collection Account will be available for application in the order of priority under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments" and for the acquisition of Collateral Obligations under the circumstances and pursuant to the requirements in the Indenture. Amounts received in the Collection Account during a Due Period and amounts received in prior Due Periods and retained in the Collection Account under the circumstances stated above in "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments" will be applied in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions). All proceeds deposited in the Collection Account will be retained therein unless used to purchase Collateral Obligations during the Replacement Period (or, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period) in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria, to honor commitments with respect thereto entered into during or after the Replacement Period, or used as otherwise permitted under the Indenture. See "—Eligibility Criteria."

The Trustee shall transfer to the Payment Account from the Collection Account for application pursuant to the Priority of Payments, no later than the Business Day preceding each Payment Date, the amount set forth to be so transferred in the Valuation Report for the Payment Date.

At any time during or after the Replacement Period, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to pay from amounts on deposit in the Collection Account on any Business Day during any Interest Period from Interest Proceeds only, any Administrative Expenses that require payment before the next Payment Date to the extent that the amount of the payments does not exceed the aggregate amount that may be paid on the next payment Date under, and at the level of priority specified by, "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds."

On the Determination Date related to the first Payment Date, and at the option of the Servicer, Principal Proceeds in the Collection Account in an amount not to exceed U.S.\$4,000,000 may be designated as Interest Proceeds for distribution on the first Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments to the extent such funds are not required to be applied to cure a Rating Confirmation Failure or applied to a Special Redemption.

**Custodial Account.** The Trustee will from time to time deposit collateral into the "**Custodial Account**," over which the Trustee will have exclusive control and sole right of withdrawal, in accordance with the Indenture. All assets or securities at any time on deposit in or otherwise to the credit of the Custodial Account will be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer and each Hedge Counterparty.

**Revolving Reserve Account and Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account.** Upon the purchase of any Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, at the direction of the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit Principal Proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account, in the case of a Revolving Loan, and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, in the case of a Delayed Drawdown Loan, each equal to the unfunded Commitment Amount of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, respectively, and the Principal Proceeds so deposited shall be considered part of the Purchase Price of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan for purposes of the Indenture. At the direction of the Servicer at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall withdraw funds from the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to fund extensions of credit

pursuant to Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans, respectively. In addition, to the extent that the Issuer receives proceeds of a repayment in respect of a Revolving Loan (except to the extent of any concurrent commitment reduction) at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall deposit the proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account.

Upon the sale of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan in whole or in part or the reduction in part or termination of the Issuer's commitment thereunder, an amount on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, as the case may be, specified by the Servicer as being equal to (i) the unfunded amount of the commitment (in the case of a sale in whole or a termination of the commitment), (ii) the proportionate amount of the amount on deposit (in the case of a sale in part) or (iii) the amount by which the commitment is reduced (in the case of a reduction thereof in part), shall be transferred by the Trustee to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds.

Amounts on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account will be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) not later than the Business Day after the date of their purchase. All interest and other income from amounts in the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account under the Indenture shall be considered Interest Proceeds in the Due Period in which they are so deposited.

*Synthetic Security Collateral Account.* On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Synthetic Security the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the non-interest bearing trust account established for Synthetic Security Collateral (the "**Synthetic Security Collateral Account**") with respect to the Synthetic Security. All Synthetic Security Collateral posted by any Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Synthetic Security shall be immediately deposited into the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Synthetic Security. On each day on which amounts are payable to the Issuer out of Synthetic Security Collateral, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to withdraw amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in an amount sufficient to make the payment (including any total or partial release of Synthetic Security Collateral). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be:

- (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty to the Issuer under a Synthetic Security if the Synthetic Security becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the Synthetic Security upon any "event of default" under and as defined in the terms of the Synthetic Security, including liquidating the related Synthetic Security Collateral Account; or
- (ii) to return the Synthetic Security Collateral to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty when and as required by the terms of the Synthetic Security, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account will be held in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities not later than one Business Day after their purchase, as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions), and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.* The Trustee will deposit all collateral received from a Hedge Counterparty under any Hedge Agreement into the "**Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account**." The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account will be (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer under a Hedge Agreement if the Hedge Agreement becomes subject to early termination or (ii) to return collateral to the relevant Hedge Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Hedge Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer. Amounts on deposit in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account will be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Closing Date Expense Account.* Amounts deposited in the "**Closing Date Expense Account**" on the Closing Date will be withdrawn to pay certain administrative expenses of the Co-Issuers. On the Payment Date in November 2008 (or, at the discretion of the Servicer, on the Payment Date in August 2008), the Trustee, at the direction of the Servicer in its sole discretion, shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account to the Collection Account as Interest Proceeds (to the extent such funds are not required to be applied to cure a Rating Confirmation Failure) or Principal Proceeds and close the Closing Date Expense Account. Amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account shall be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the second Payment Date as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Expense Reimbursement Account.* On any Payment Date and on any date between Payment Dates, the Trustee will apply amounts, if any, in the "**Expense Reimbursement Account**" to the payment of expenses and fees that must be paid between Payment Dates or that are due on that Payment Date under clause (1) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" and the Trustee shall on any Payment Date transfer to the Expense Reimbursement Account an amount equal to the excess, if any of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts due under clause (1) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" to the Expense Reimbursement Account in accordance with clause (2) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds." Amounts on deposit in the Expense Reimbursement Account shall be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions), no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date.

*Securities Lending Account.* The Trustee will deposit all Securities Lending Collateral posted by any Securities Lending Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Securities Lending Agreement in a non-interest bearing trust account (the "**Securities Lending Account**"). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Securities Lending Account will be (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty to the Issuer under a Securities Lending Agreement if the Securities Lending Agreement becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the Securities Lending Agreement upon any "event of default" under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement, including liquidating the related Securities Lending Collateral or (ii) to return collateral to the Securities Lending Counterparty when and as required by a Securities Lending Agreement. Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the loaned security or asset that relates to the Securities Lending Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer.

*Payment Account.* The Trustee will deposit collateral into the "**Payment Account**," over which the Trustee will have exclusive control and sole right of withdrawal, in accordance with the Indenture. All assets or securities at any time on deposit in or otherwise to the credit of the Payment Account will be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer, and each Hedge Counterparty. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Payment Account shall be to pay amounts due and payable on the Notes and to pay Administrative Expenses and other amounts specified in the Indenture, each in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

*Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account.* On each Payment Date, to the extent of available funds in accordance with the Priority of Payments, the Trustee will deposit into the "**Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account**" amounts equal to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments. The Servicer has agreed to waive such amounts, which would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as Servicing Fees, from the Closing Date to February 3, 2008 and an amount equal to such waived amount will be distributed by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. With respect to any Payment Date after February 3, 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion (or all) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee on behalf

of the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments; *provided* that with respect to the Payment Date in August 2008 such Class II Preference Share Special Payments will, at a minimum, include amounts that would otherwise constitute a portion (representing the Class II Preference Share Percentage) of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Closing Date to February 3, 2008. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

*Synthetic Security Counterparty Account.* To the extent that any Synthetic Security requires the Issuer to secure its obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty or to the extent that any Synthetic Security has an unfunded amount payable by the Issuer that does not by its terms require collateral, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee and the Trustee shall establish a segregated non-interest bearing trust account (the "**Synthetic Security Counterparty Account**") for the Synthetic Security which shall be held in trust for the benefit of the related Synthetic Security Counterparty and over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security as directed by the Servicer. In the alternative, a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account may be established with a trustee designated by the Synthetic Security Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that trustee would qualify to be a successor trustee under the Indenture and the account satisfies the other requirements of a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account under the Indenture.

As directed in writing by the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit (or deliver for deposit) into each Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, from funds or Eligible Investments on deposit in the Collection Account, all amounts or securities that are required to secure the obligations of the Issuer in accordance with the related Synthetic Security and, without duplication, an amount equal to the unfunded amount of a Synthetic Security, including the entire notional amount of any Synthetic Security in the form of a credit default swap or other similar transaction, in each case as directed by the Servicer. The Servicer shall direct any such deposit only during the Replacement Period and only to the extent that monies are available for the purchase of Collateral Obligations pursuant to the Indenture. Any income received on amounts in the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall, after application in accordance with the relevant Synthetic Security, be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Interest Proceeds.

As directed by the Servicer in writing and in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and the Indenture, amounts on deposit in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in Synthetic Security Collateral.

In connection with the occurrence of a credit event or an event of default or a termination event (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security) under the related Synthetic Security, amounts in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be withdrawn by the Trustee (or the Trustee shall request their withdrawal) and applied toward the payment of any amounts payable by the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the Synthetic Security, as directed by the Servicer in writing; *provided* that any Defaulted Synthetic Security Termination Payments will be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Any excess amounts held in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, or held directly by a Synthetic Security Counterparty, after payment of all amounts owing from the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the related Synthetic Security shall be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Principal Proceeds.

Amounts on deposit in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the Synthetic Security that relates to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer (with the notional amount as the Principal Balance unless a default exists under the applicable Synthetic Security).



## Hedge Agreements

At any time and from time to time on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, may enter into the Hedge Agreements and will assign its rights (but none of its obligations) under the Hedge Agreements to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture. The Trustee will, on behalf of the Issuer and in accordance with the Valuation Report, pay amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements on any Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

The Issuer will not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless at the time of entering into such Hedge Agreement the Hedge Counterparty has the ratings specified in such Hedge Agreement.

If at any time a Hedge Counterparty does not have the required ratings as set forth in the Hedge Agreement, the Hedge Counterparty shall be required to take such actions as are set forth in the relevant Hedge Agreement.

Whenever the Issuer enters into a Hedge Agreement, the Hedge Counterparty thereto shall comply with the then currently applicable rating criteria of each Rating Agency from time to time.

Any payments required to be made under the Hedge Agreements shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments shall be subordinate to interest and principal payments on the Notes and any other payments required to be made by the Issuer under the Hedge Agreements, but senior to distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Indenture.

Unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is otherwise satisfied, following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall promptly (but no later than 60 days after the early termination), and to the extent possible through Hedge Termination Receipts, enter into a replacement hedge, unless, in the exercise of the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment, to do so would not be in the best interest of the Issuer and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to not entering into a replacement hedge. In addition, a replacement hedge may not be entered into unless the Issuer provides the Rating Agencies with at least seven Business Days' prior written notice of its intention to enter into a replacement hedge, together with its form and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the replacement hedge. The Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than a termination resulting from the bankruptcy, insolvency, or similar event with respect to the Hedge Counterparty) to become effective simultaneously with its entering into a replacement hedge. To the extent that (i) the Servicer determines not to replace the Hedge Agreement and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the determination; or (ii) termination is occurring on a Redemption Date, the Hedge Termination Receipts shall become part of Principal Proceeds and be distributed in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the next following Payment Date (or on the Redemption Date, if the Notes are redeemed on the Redemption Date).

The notional amounts of the Hedge Agreements outstanding at any time may be reduced or increased from time to time, by the Issuer, and the Hedge Agreements may be amended, modified, or terminated in accordance with the Hedge Agreements if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the reduction, increase, amendment, modification, or termination, as the case may be.

Each Hedge Agreement may be terminated pursuant to its terms by the Hedge Counterparty upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes (but only after the applicable notice of redemption may no longer be withdrawn pursuant to the Indenture), an acceleration of maturity of the Notes after an Event of Default or the entry into certain amendments to the Indenture without the consent of the Hedge Counterparty. The Hedge Agreement will not be permitted to be terminated by the Issuer as the result of a default or Event of Default unless any acceleration of maturity of the Notes resulting from the Event of Default is no longer permitted to be rescinded pursuant to the Indenture.

Except for Hedge Agreements entered into on or before the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied.

### **Securities Lending**

The Indenture permits the Issuer to engage in a limited number of securities lending transactions as described below.

The Servicer may instruct the Trustee to cause Collateral Obligations that are not Defaulted Collateral Obligations to be lent for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) having long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or guarantors with ratings of at least "A1" (and not "A1" but on credit watch with negative implications) and "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A" or a short-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A-1" from S&P (each, a "**Securities Lending Counterparty**") pursuant to one or more agreements (each, a "**Securities Lending Agreement**"); *provided* that Collateral Obligations the Market Value of which cannot be determined under clause (i), (ii) or (iii) of that definition may not be lent pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement. Upon receipt of an Issuer Order, the Trustee shall release any lent Collateral Obligations to a Securities Lending Counterparty as directed by the Servicer. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser or Affiliates of the Servicer. The duration of any Securities Lending Agreement shall not exceed the Stated Maturity of the Notes. Collateral Obligations representing no more than 15% (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of the Maximum Amount may be loaned pursuant to Securities Lending Agreements at any time.

Each Securities Lending Agreement shall be on market terms as determined by the Servicer (except to the extent specified in the Indenture) and shall:

- (i) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty return to the Issuer debt obligations that are identical (in terms of issue and class) to the lent Collateral Obligations;
- (ii) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty pay to the Issuer amounts equivalent to all interest and other payments that the owner of the lent Collateral Obligation is entitled to for the period during which the Collateral Obligation is lent and require that any such payments not be subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the Securities Lending Counterparty is required under the Securities Lending Agreement to make "gross-up" payments to the Issuer that cover the full amount of the withholding tax on an after-tax basis;
- (iii) require that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency shall be satisfied with respect to the execution of the Securities Lending Agreement;
- (iv) satisfy any other requirements of Section 1058 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated under it;
- (v) be governed by the laws of New York;
- (vi) permit the Issuer to assign its rights under the Securities Lending Agreement to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture;
- (vii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Collateral Obligation becomes a Credit Risk Obligation or is subject to redemption in accordance with its terms;
- (viii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty upon any redemption of the Notes in whole;

- (ix) require the Securities Lending Counterparty to post with the Trustee collateral consisting of cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the Securities Lending Agreement to secure its obligation to return the Collateral Obligations or in the alternative post that collateral with a custodian for the benefit of the Issuer designated by the Securities Lending Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that custodian would qualify to be a successor trustee under the Indenture;
- (x) provide that the Securities Lending Collateral shall be maintained at all times in an amount equal to at least 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value (determined daily and monitored by the Servicer) of the lent Collateral Obligations and if securities are delivered to the Trustee as security for the obligations of the Securities Lending Counterparty under the related Securities Lending Agreement, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will negotiate with the Securities Lending Counterparty a rate for the loan fee to be paid to the Issuer for lending the lent Collateral Obligations;
- (xi) the lent Collateral Obligations shall be marked-to-market on a daily basis by the Servicer on the basis of their Market Value;
- (xii) the Collateral will include the Issuer's rights under the related Securities Lending Agreement rather than the loaned Collateral Obligation;
- (xiii) provide for early termination within 10 days at the option of the Issuer and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Securities Lending Counterparty is no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty and the noncompliance is not cured as provided in the Indenture; and
- (xiv) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Securities Lending Counterparty) equivalent (mutatis mutandis) to those in the Indenture.

In addition, each Securities Lending Agreement must provide that if either Moody's or S&P downgrades a Securities Lending Counterparty such that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party are no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty, then the Issuer, within 10 days of the downgrade, shall (i) terminate its Securities Lending Agreements with the Securities Lending Counterparty unless a guarantor with the required ratings for the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements has been obtained; or (ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations lent to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty so that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party, together with all other Securities Lending Agreements, are in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of Securities Lending Counterparties; or (iii) take any other steps Moody's or S&P may require to cause the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party to be treated by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, as if the obligations were owed by a counterparty having a rating at least equivalent to the rating that was assigned by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty before its being downgraded.

The Servicer shall instruct the Trustee in writing with respect to the administration of any Securities Lending Agreement (including with respect to any default and the exercise of rights under it). The Trustee shall not have any responsibility for evaluating the sufficiency, validity, or acceptability of any Securities Lending Agreement or for the qualifications or eligibility of any Securities Lending Counterparty. Nothing in the Indenture shall be construed to cause the Trustee to have any fiduciary duties to any Securities Lending Counterparty.

So long as any Collateral Obligation is on loan pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement, (a) the Trustee shall have no liability for any failure or inability on its part to receive any information or take any action with respect to the Collateral Obligation because of its being on loan (including any failure to take action with respect to a notice of redemption, consent solicitation, exchange or tender offer, or similar corporate action) and (b) the loaned Collateral Obligations shall not be disqualified for return to the Trustee as a Collateral Obligation by any change in circumstance or status during the time while on loan (including any change that would cause the Collateral Obligation to be ineligible for purchase by the Issuer under the Indenture if applied to a proposed purchase of it in the open market at the time of its return from loan).

## **MATURITY AND PREPAYMENT CONSIDERATIONS**

The Stated Maturity of each Class of Notes will be November 1, 2021 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date; *however*, the principal of each Class of the Notes is expected to be paid in full prior to its Stated Maturity (or Extended Stated Maturity Date, as applicable). Average life refers to the average amount of time that will elapse from the date of delivery of a security until each dollar of the principal of such security will be paid to the investor. The average lives of the Notes will be determined by the amount and frequency of principal payments, which are dependent upon, among other things, the amount of sinking fund payments and any other payments received at or in advance of the scheduled maturity of Collateral Obligations (whether through sale, maturity, redemption, default or other liquidation or disposition).

The actual performance of the Securities will also be affected by the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral Obligations and the characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, including the interest rate or other rate of distribution, the actual default rate and actual losses sustained, the existence and frequency of exercise of any prepayment, optional redemption, or sinking fund features and any related premium, the prevailing level of interest rates, any sales of Collateral Obligations, and any unique risks of the Collateral Obligations. Any disposition of a Collateral Obligation may change the composition and characteristics of the portfolio of Collateral Obligations and their rate of payment, and, accordingly, may affect the actual performance of each respective Class of Securities. The ability of the Issuer to apply any Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds in the manner described under "Security for the Notes" will also affect the performance of the Securities. Redemptions will also affect the performance of the Securities.

## **THE SERVICER**

*The information appearing in this section has been prepared by the Servicer and has not been independently verified by the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchaser. Accordingly, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, neither the Co-Issuers nor the Initial Purchaser assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or applicability of such information.*

### **General**

Based in Dallas, Texas, Highland Capital is a registered investment adviser specializing in below investment-grade credit and special situation investing. As of October 31, 2007, Highland Capital managed or serviced over \$38 billion in leveraged loans, high yield bonds, structured products and other assets for banks, insurance companies, pension plans, foundations and high net worth individuals.

Highland Capital manages or services these assets through a variety of fund structures including separate accounts, CDOs, hedge funds and mutual funds. As of October 31, 2007, Highland Capital invested in, managed or serviced more than 1,000 below investment grade and credit sensitive credit positions, and Highland Capital's 130-person credit team followed investment grade and credit sensitive credit positions across over 36 industries. Highland Capital or an Affiliate or predecessor thereof has been an SEC-registered investment adviser since April 1993.

## **Philosophy and Process**

Highland Capital has a large range and depth of experience. It has expertise in the fields of syndicated loans, high yield bonds, and distressed assets. Highland Capital believes it is in a position to maximize the spread differential between the yields on underlying collateral and the cost of financing. In addition, Highland Capital seeks to construct portfolios to (a) maximize relative value based on its credit views and (b) maximize diversification in order to minimize the effect of isolated credit events on the overall portfolio, utilizing Highland Capital's infrastructure to minimize defaults of underlying assets and to maximize recoveries in the case of defaults. Highland Capital has over \$1 billion of firm capital exposure to the firm's funds and expects that HFP, an Affiliate of the Servicer, and/or one or more of HFP's subsidiaries will on the Closing Date purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares.

Highland Capital believes that its disciplined selection process minimizes a portfolio's risk and that its analysis seeks to maximize yield spread while limiting downside risk. Portfolio managers actively follow each credit and several times each year the entire staff reviews all positions during multi-day monitoring meetings. Highland Capital diversifies its portfolios with set limits on exposure to any one given industry or issuer. Highland Capital believes that this philosophy and selection process has resulted in positive returns on its underlying loan portfolio and consistent outperformance relative to its indices.

Highland Capital focuses on a "team" approach that it has used since 1990. It is Highland Capital management's belief that this style creates the optimum environment for the exchange of information and the development of all asset management professionals. All aspects of the selection, monitoring and servicing process are coordinated through the senior asset portfolio managers' direct interaction. A committee of senior portfolio managers and analysts, Highland Capital's Chief Investment Officer and its Head of Structured Products meets every morning to discuss the status of the credits. Collectively, the committee utilizes a selection and monitoring process which is driven by fundamental credit research. Each portfolio manager/analyst makes specific credit recommendations based upon industry coverage. The credit recommendation is then brought to the committee for consideration. Based upon the consensus decision, the portfolio manager with the recommendation will direct Highland Capital traders to execute the trade. Highland Capital has also provided its committee with a strong commitment to technology. The firm developed Wall Street Office® which is a proprietary software system that allows Highland Capital to model, portfolio manage, and trade syndicated loans. This software has been licensed to more than 70 financial institutions that acquire syndicated loans.

## **Professionals of the Servicer**

Set forth below is information regarding certain persons who are currently employed by the Servicer. Such persons may not necessarily continue to be so employed during the entire term of the Servicing Agreement.

### ***James Dondero, CFA, CPA, CMA – Managing Partner, President***

Mr. Dondero is a Founder and President of Highland Capital. He is also Chairman of the Board of Directors of Highland Financial Trust. Prior to Highland Capital, Mr. Dondero served as Chief Investment Officer of Protective Life's GIC subsidiary, and helped grow the business from concept to over \$2 billion from 1989 to 1993. His portfolio management experience includes mortgage-backed securities, investment grade corporates, leveraged bank loans, emerging markets, derivatives, preferred stocks and common stocks. From 1985 to 1989, he managed approximately \$1 billion in fixed income funds for American Express. Prior to American Express, he completed the financial training program at Morgan Guaranty Trust Company. Mr. Dondero is a Beta Gamma Sigma graduate of the University of Virginia, 1984 with degrees in Accounting and Finance. Mr. Dondero is a Certified Public Accountant and a Certified Management Accountant. He has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***Mark Okada, CFA – Managing Partner, Chief Investment Officer***

Mr. Okada is a Founder and Chief Investment Officer of Highland Capital. He is responsible for overseeing Highland Capital's investment activities for its various strategies, and has over 20 years of experience in the leveraged finance market. Prior to Highland Capital, Mr. Okada served as Manager of Fixed Income for Protective Life's GIC subsidiary from 1990 to 1993. He was primarily responsible for the bank loan portfolio and other risk assets. Protective was one of the first non-bank entrants into the syndicated loan market. From 1986 to 1990, he served as Vice President for Hibernia National Bank, managing over \$1 billion of high yield bank loans. Mr. Okada is an honors graduate of the University of California Los Angeles with degrees in Economics and Psychology. He completed his credit training at Mitsui and has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation. Mr. Okada is also Chairman of the Board of Directors of Common Grace Ministries Inc.

***Todd Travers, CFA – Partner, Head of Structured Products, Senior Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Travers is responsible for Highland Capital's CDO business and is the primary Senior Portfolio Manager for Highland Capital's CDOs. He is a member of the Credit Committee and heads a team that is responsible for structuring new CDO transactions and implementing additional opportunities in Highland Capital's core businesses. He is also Chief Executive Officer and Chief Investment Officer of Highland Financial Partners, an externally managed company whose primary strategy is investing in CDO equity. Formerly, Mr. Travers served as Industry Portfolio Manager/Portfolio Analyst from 1994 to 1998 for Highland Capital. His prior responsibilities included managing a portion of Highland Capital's leveraged loan and high yield debt portfolios across a wide range of industry sectors. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Travers was a Finance Manager at American Airlines. Mr. Travers is a graduate of Iowa State University with a BS in Industrial Engineering. He received his MBA from Southern Methodist University. Mr. Travers has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***Patrick H. Daugherty – Partner, Head of Distressed and Special Situations Investments, Co-Head of Private Equity***

Mr. Daugherty is Head of Distressed and Special Situations Investing, and a Senior Portfolio Manager at Highland Capital. His responsibilities include managing the Distressed Investments Group and co-managing the Private Equity Investments Group. He has formerly served as General Counsel to Highland Capital. Prior to joining Highland Capital in April 1998, Mr. Daugherty served as Vice President in the Corporate Finance Group at Bank of America Capital Markets, Inc (formerly NationsBanc Capital Markets, Inc.) where he originated and structured leveraged transactions of mid-cap companies located in the Southwest. Prior to joining Bank of America, Mr. Daugherty was an Associate with the law firm of Baker, Brown, Sharman and Parker in Houston, Texas, where he worked with banks and financial institutions in the liquidation of various RTC portfolios. Mr. Daugherty has over 15 years of experience in distressed, high yield and corporate restructuring. He has been involved in over 100 restructurings and held steering committee positions in over 40 bankruptcies. Mr. Daugherty currently serves on the Board of Directors of Trussway Holdings, Inc. and its affiliates (as Chairman), Home Interiors & Gifts, Inc. and its affiliates (as Chairman), Nexpak Corporation and its affiliates (as Chairman), Moll Industries and its affiliates (as Chairman), Safety-Kleen Holdco., Inc. and is a former board member of Norse Merchant Group and its affiliates, Ferrimorac Holdings Limited and Mariner Health Care, Inc. He received a BBA in Finance from The University of Texas at Austin and a Juris Doctorate from The University of Houston School of Law. Mr. Daugherty's professional certifications include membership in the Texas Bar Association and admittance to the American Bar Association in 1992.

***John Morgan, CFA – Partner, Senior Industry Portfolio Manager, Real Estate***

Mr. Morgan is a Senior Industry Portfolio Manager, and has responsibility for overseeing the firm's Real Estate debt investments. The firm's real estate investments include a variety of asset types, including Commercial Mortgage Backed Securities ("**CMBSs**"), mezzanine notes, and real estate bank loans. Since joining Highland Capital in March 2000, Mr. Morgan has also covered a variety of other industries, including retail, restaurants, and supermarkets. Prior to joining Highland Capital in March 2000, Mr. Morgan served as Portfolio Analyst for Falcon Fund Management, LTD from August 1995-

February 2000. At Falcon, he created comparables to assess the attractiveness of companies within industries and across the portfolio. He assisted the Portfolio Manager in the security selection process and management of the portfolio. Prior to Falcon, he was an Analyst for a Convertible Arbitrage Fund at Q Investments. His primary responsibility included analyzing financial statements and related corporate disclosures and performing analysis on potential investment opportunities. He received both a BS in Biological Sciences and an MBA from Southern Methodist University, and has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***Kurtis S. Plumer, CFA – Partner, Senior Portfolio Manager, Multi-Strategies***

Mr. Plumer is a Senior Portfolio Manager at Highland Capital. Prior to joining Highland Capital in July 1999, Mr. Plumer was a distressed High-Yield Bond Trader at Lehman Brothers in New York, where he managed a \$250 million portfolio invested in global distressed securities. While at Lehman, he also traded emerging market sovereign bonds. Prior to joining Lehman Brothers, Mr. Plumer was a Corporate Finance Banker at NationsBanc Capital Markets, Inc. (now Bank of America Capital Markets, Inc.) where he focused on M&A and financing transactions for the bank's clients. Mr. Plumer has over 14 years of experience in distressed, high yield bond and leveraged loan products. Mr. Plumer earned a BBA in Economics and Finance from Baylor University, and an MBA in Strategy and Finance from the Kellogg School at Northwestern University. Mr. Plumer has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***David Walls, CFA – Partner, Senior Industry Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Walls is a Senior Industry Portfolio Manager at Highland Capital. Prior to joining Highland Capital in October 2000, Mr. Walls worked for Lend Lease Real Estate Investments as an Associate in their Asset Management unit underwriting and structuring acquisitions of bulk portfolios of distressed Korean real estate and corporate debt. Before his international responsibilities at Lend Lease, Mr. Walls performed loan workouts on a domestic portfolio of sub- and non-performing real estate secured assets. Prior to Lend Lease, Mr. Walls worked at U.S. Trust Company of California as an Assistant Vice President, Junior Industry Portfolio Manager in their Fixed Income Portfolio Management group and for Capital Research & Management Company as a Fixed Income Trader. Mr. Walls has worked in finance for the cable, media, satellite, and communication equipment sectors for 14 years. At Highland Capital, Mr. Walls is a Senior Industry Portfolio Manager with oversight of the Cable and Satellite sectors. He holds a BA in Economics from Northwestern University, and an MBA in Finance and Marketing from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University. Mr. Walls is a member of AIMR and DAIA. Mr. Walls has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***Brett Pope, CFA – Partner, Senior Industry Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Pope is a Senior Industry Portfolio Manager at Highland Capital. Prior to joining Highland Capital in March 2001, Mr. Pope served as a Senior Equities Analyst in Healthcare at Street Advisor.com from 1999 to 2001. His experience also includes working as a Senior Research Analyst covering the Building Products and Financial Service sectors at Southwest Securities from 1996 to 1999. Prior to 1996, he served as a Senior Financial Analyst with Associates First Capital Corporation. At Highland Capital, Mr. Pope is a Senior Industry Portfolio Manager covering the Healthcare and Information Technology sectors. Mr. Pope is a graduate of the University of Texas at Austin where he graduated Magna Cum Laude. Mr. Pope has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***Patrick Conner, CFA – Partner, Senior Industry Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Conner is a Senior Industry Portfolio Manager at Highland Capital. Prior to joining Highland Capital in February 2002, Mr. Conner worked from 2001-2002 as an Industry Portfolio Manager for an equity hedge fund at Enron Corp. Prior to this position, Mr. Conner evaluated business unit strategy, mergers, acquisitions, and divestitures as a Director in Enron's Corporate Development group from 1997-2001. Prior to joining Enron, Mr. Conner worked as a Corporate Lending Officer at Boatmen's Bancshares in middle market banking. Mr. Conner has acquired 14 years of investment experience. He holds an MBA in Finance from The Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania and a

BBA in Finance from Wichita State University. Mr. Conner has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***Brad Borud – Partner, Senior Trader and Co-Director of Portfolio Management***

Mr. Borud is a Senior Trader and Co-Director of Portfolio Management at Highland Capital. Prior to joining Highland Capital in November 1996, Mr. Borud worked as a Global Finance Analyst in the Corporate Finance Group at NationsBank from 1995 to 1996 where he was involved in the originating, structuring, modeling, and credit analysis of leveraged transactions for large corporate accounts in the Southwest portion of the United States. During 1994, Mr. Borud also served at Conseco Capital Management as an Analyst Intern in the Fixed Income Research Department, following the Transportation and Energy sectors. Prior to his current duties at Highland Capital, Mr. Borud served as a Portfolio Analyst from 1996 to 1998. From 1998 to 2003, Mr. Borud was a Industry Portfolio Manager covering a wide range of industries, including Wireline Telecommunications, Wireless Telecommunications, Telecommunication Equipment Manufacturers, Multi-channel Video, and Media. He has a BS in Business Finance from Indiana University.

***Paul Kauffman, CFA, CPA – Partner, Senior Trader and Co-Director of Portfolio Management***

Mr. Kauffman is a Senior Trader and Co-Director of Portfolio Management at Highland Capital. Prior to joining Highland Capital in June 1999, Mr. Kauffman spent four years in the public accounting industry, including two and a half years at KPMG Peat Marwick. At KPMG, Mr. Kauffman gained audit experience in a wide range of industries, with particular focus on the Energy and Cable industries. He joined Highland Capital as a Portfolio Analyst, and was a Industry Portfolio Manager prior to moving into his current role. At Highland Capital, Mr. Kauffman has followed a variety of industries, including Paper & Packaging, General Industrials, Metals, and the Automotive sector. He received a BBA in Accounting from Baylor University, and an MBA from Duke University. Mr. Kauffman has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***Amit Walia, CFA - Partner, Senior Industry Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Walia is a Partner and Senior Industry Portfolio Manager at Highland Capital Management, L.P., covering the Utilities sector. He has a total of 16 years experience in investments, mergers & acquisitions and banking. Prior to joining Highland in July 2003, Mr. Walia worked from 1999 to 2002 as a Vice President in the corporate development group at Enron Corp where he worked on M&A transactions, including the sale of assets post bankruptcy. Prior to this he was a Director of Structured and Project Finance within the energy group at ANZ Banking Group Ltd in New York. He received his MBA (Finance) from the Simon School of Business, University of Rochester and a degree in Mechanical Engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi. Mr. Walia has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Servicer—The Issuer Will Depend on the Expertise Available to the Servicer and Its Key Personnel."

## **THE SERVICING AGREEMENT**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Servicing Agreement. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the Servicing Agreement.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, and in accordance with the requirements set forth in the Indenture, the Servicer will select the portfolio of Collateral Obligations and will instruct the Trustee with respect to any acquisition, disposition or sale of a Collateral Obligation or an Eligible Investment. Neither the Initial Purchaser nor its Affiliates will select any of the Collateral Obligations.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will monitor the Collateral Obligations and provide the Issuer with certain information received from the Collateral Administrator with respect to the composition and characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, any disposition or tender of a



Collateral Obligation, the application of the proceeds of any such disposition to the purchase of Eligible Investments and with respect to the retention of the proceeds of any such disposition or the application thereof toward the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations. The Servicer will, and will be authorized to, negotiate, on behalf of the Issuer, with respect to all actions to be taken by the Issuer under any Hedge Agreements.

As compensation for the performance of its obligations as Servicer, the Servicer will be entitled to receive:

- (i) a fee (the "**Senior Servicing Fee**") that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.25% per annum of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments (with the Senior Servicing Fee being calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months);
- (ii) an amount (the "**Subordinated Servicing Fee**") payable on each Payment Date equal to the sum of (a) a fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.30% per annum of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments and (b) on any Payment Date that any part of the Subordinated Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period *plus* 3.00% per annum (with the portion of the Subordinated Servicing Fee, in clauses (a) and (b) above, as applicable, being calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months); and
- (iii) a fee (the "**Supplemental Servicing Fee**" and together with the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee, the "**Servicing Fee**"), if any, payable on each Payment Date to the Servicer in an amount equal to: (i) 20% of the remaining Interest Proceeds, if any, available after making the distributions on such Payment Date pursuant to clause (22) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" and (ii) 20% of the remaining Principal Proceeds, if any, available for payment in respect of the Supplemental Servicing Fee pursuant to clause (11)(A) and, if applicable, clause (16), in each case pursuant to "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds."

On each Payment Date, as and to the extent described under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments," the Trustee will deposit the Class II Preference Share Portion of the Servicing Fees into the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account. The Servicer has agreed to waive such amounts, which would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as Servicing Fees, prior to February 3, 2008 and an amount equal to such waived amounts will be paid by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. With respect to any Payment Date after February 3, 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion (or all) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments; *provided* that with respect to the Payment Date in August 2008 such Class II Preference Share Special Payments will, at a minimum, include amounts that would otherwise constitute a portion (representing the Class II Preference Share Percentage) of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Closing Date to February 3, 2008. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments as described above. See "Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account."

In addition, notwithstanding anything set out above, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion waive all or any portion of the Subordinated Servicing Fee or Supplemental Servicing Fee, any funds

representing the waived Subordinated Servicing Fees or Supplemental Servicing Fees to be retained in the Collection Account for distribution as either Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds (as determined by the Servicer) pursuant to the Priority of Payments.

In addition, the Servicer will be reimbursed for its reasonable expenses incurred with respect to any compliance requirements, including, but not limited to, compliance with the requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act solely related to the ownership or holding of any Securities by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to the extent funds are available therefor in accordance with and subject to the Priority of Payments and other limitations contained in the Indenture.

The Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, and its Affiliates and their directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, shall not be liable to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person for any losses, claims, damages, judgments, assessments, costs or other liabilities (collectively "**Liabilities**") incurred by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person that arise out of or in connection with the performance by the Servicer of its duties under the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture, except by reason of (i) acts or omissions constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, gross negligence or breach of fiduciary duty in the performance, or reckless disregard, of the obligations of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and under the terms of the Indenture applicable to it or (ii) with respect to any information included in this Offering Memorandum in the sections entitled "The Servicer" and "Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer" that contains any untrue statement of material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) collectively being the "**Servicer Breaches**"). The Servicer will be liable for any non-waivable breaches of applicable securities laws.

The Issuer will indemnify and hold harmless the Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees (such parties collectively in such case, the "**Indemnified Parties**") from and against any and all Liabilities, and shall reimburse each such Indemnified Party for all reasonable fees and expenses (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) (collectively, the "**Expenses**") as such Expenses are incurred in investigating, preparing, pursuing or defending any claim, action, proceeding or investigation with respect to any pending or threatened litigation (collectively, the "**Actions**"), caused by, or arising out of or in connection with, the issuance of the Securities, the transactions contemplated by the Offering Memorandum, the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement, and/or any action taken by, or any failure to act by, such Indemnified Party; *provided, however*, that no Indemnified Party shall be indemnified for any Liabilities or Expenses it incurs as a result of any acts or omissions by any Indemnified Party constituting Servicer Breaches. Any such indemnification by the Issuer will be paid in accordance with, and subject to, the Priority of Payments.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will agree that on the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares and all of the Class E Notes and (ii) the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates is expected to purchase all of the Class I Preference Shares. No assurance can be given whether HFP or the Servicer will retain such Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares and/or Class II Preference Shares for any amount of time.

The Issuer may, at the request of the Servicer, enter into an amendment or modification of the Servicing Agreement from time to time, without the consent of the Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not the interests of the Holders of the Securities are adversely affected thereby; *provided* that, with respect to any such amendment or modification, (a) a Rating Condition is satisfied and (b) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares have not objected in writing to such amendment or modification prior to the relevant Objection Cut-Off Date (as defined below).

If at any time the Servicer desires to amend or modify the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will notify the Issuer and the Trustee, providing details of such proposed amendment or modification. Not later than five Business Days after receipt of such notice, the Trustee will mail such notice to (i) each

Noteholder at such Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as applicable, (ii) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and (iii) to each Rating Agency. If any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes or any Holder of the Preference Shares notifies, by delivering a written notice to the Trustee within 35 days after the Trustee has mailed such notice, that it objects to such proposed amendment or modification, the Trustee will, within two Business Days after receiving such notice of objection, mail a notice of the receipt of such objection to the Issuer, the Servicer and other Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and other Holders of the Preference Shares. Each Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes and each Holder of the Preference Shares that also wishes to object to such amendment or modification must, by delivering a written notice, so notify the Trustee within seven Business Days after the Trustee has mailed such notice of the receipt of such objection (the last day of such seven Business Day period, the "**Objection Cut-Off Date**"). If a Majority of either the Controlling Class of Notes or the Preference Shares notifies the Trustee in writing on or before the Objection Cut-Off Date that they object to the proposed amendment or modification to the Servicing Agreement, such amendment or modification will not be made.

The Servicing Agreement provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Servicer such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Servicer, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the Advisers Act. The Servicing Agreement also provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Servicer, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Advisers Act.

Subject to the provisions for a successor servicer discussed below, the Servicer may resign, upon 90 days' written notice to the Issuer (or such shorter notice as is acceptable to the Issuer).

The Servicing Agreement will be terminated, and the Servicer will be removed, by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee (acting at the direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes)) or by a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares that are not Voting Preference Shares), in each case for "cause" upon 10 days' prior written notice to the Servicer and upon written notice to the Holders of the Securities as set forth below. For purposes of determining "cause" with respect to any such termination of the Servicing Agreement, such term shall mean any one of the following events:

- (i) the Servicer willfully breaches in any respect, or takes any action that it knows violates in any respect, any provision of the Servicing Agreement or any terms of the Indenture applicable to it;
- (ii) the Servicer breaches in any material respect any provision of the Servicing Agreement or any terms of the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement applicable to it, or any representation, warranty, certification or statement given in writing by the Servicer shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or given, and the Servicer fails to cure such breach or take such action so that the facts (after giving effect to such action) conform in all material respects to such representation, warranty, certificate or statement, in each case within 30 days of becoming aware of, or receiving notice from, the Trustee of, such breach or materially incorrect representation, warranty, certificate or statement;
- (iii) certain events of bankruptcy or insolvency occur with respect to the Servicer;

- (iv) the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture that results from any breach by the Servicer of its duties under the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement, which breach or default is not cured within any applicable cure period; or
- (v) (x) the occurrence of an act by the Servicer related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business that constitutes fraud, (y) the Servicer being indicted, or any of its principals being convicted, of a felony criminal offense related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business or (z) the Servicer being indicted for, adjudged liable in a civil suit for, or convicted of a violation of the Securities Act or any other United States Federal securities law or any rules or regulations thereunder.

No removal or resignation of the Servicer will be effective under the Servicing Agreement unless (A) (i) at the written direction of a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares, the Issuer appoints a successor servicer and such successor servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture and (ii) the successor servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single Class) or (B) if a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares has nominated two or more successor servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (A)(ii) or has failed to appoint a successor servicer that has not been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (A)(ii) within 60 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer, (i) at the written direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes), the Issuer appoints a successor servicer and such successor servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture and (ii) the successor servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares (voting as a single class) or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single Class); *provided* that if a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and a Super Majority of the Controlling Class (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) have each nominated two or more successor servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clauses (A)(ii) and (B)(ii) or have otherwise failed to appoint a successor servicer that is not objected to pursuant to the preceding clauses (A)(ii) or (B)(ii) within 120 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer, any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes), any Holder of Voting Preference Shares or the Trustee petitions a court of competent authority to appoint a successor servicer. In addition, any successor servicer must be an established institution which (i) has demonstrated an ability to professionally and competently perform duties similar to those imposed upon the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, (ii) is legally qualified and has the capacity to act as Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, as successor to the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement in the assumption of all of the responsibilities, duties and obligations of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and under the applicable terms of the Indenture, (iii) shall not cause the Issuer or the pool of Collateral to become required to register under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, (iv) shall perform its duties as successor servicer under the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture without causing the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Holder of Preference Shares to become subject to tax in any jurisdiction where such successor servicer is established as doing business and (v) each Rating Agency has confirmed that the appointment of such successor servicer shall not cause its then-current rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn. No compensation payable to a successor servicer from payments on the Collateral shall be greater than that paid to the Servicer without the prior written consent of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes, a Majority of the Notes and a Majority of the Preference Shares.

The Servicing Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, cannot be delegated by the Servicer, in whole or in part, except to any entity that (i) is controlled by any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers and (ii) is one in which any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers is involved in the day to day management and operations (and in any such case pursuant to an instrument of delegation in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer), without the prior written consent of the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting

Preference Shares and, notwithstanding any such consent, no delegation of obligations or duties by the Servicer (including, without limitation, to an entity described above) shall relieve the Servicer from any liability under the Servicing Agreement.

## THE CO-ISSUERS

### General

The Issuer was incorporated as an exempted limited liability company on October 24, 2007 in the Cayman Islands under registration number MC-197713. The registered office of the Issuer is at the offices of Maples Finance Limited, P.O. Box 1093GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands. The Issuer's telephone number is (345) 945-7099. The Issuer has no prior operating experience (other than in connection with the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations during the Accumulation Period) and will not have any material assets other than (i) the Collateral pledged to secure the Secured Obligations, and (ii) \$500 (of which \$250 represents the Issuer's issued ordinary share capital and \$250 represents a fee for issuing the Securities).

The Co-Issuer was incorporated on November 6, 2007 in the State of Delaware under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware with the registration number 4445422. The registered office of the Co-Issuer is at 850 Library Avenue, Suite 204, Newark, Delaware 19711. The Co-Issuer's telephone number is (302) 738-6680. The Co-Issuer was incorporated as a special purpose vehicle for the specific purpose of carrying out the transactions described in this Offering Memorandum, which primarily consists of issuing the Senior Notes and performing other activities related thereto, as set forth in Article Third of its Certificate of Incorporation. The Co-Issuer has no prior operating history and will not have any material assets.

The Senior Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer and non-recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuer. The Class E Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer and the Preference Shares are equity interests only in the Issuer. The Securities are not obligations of the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, the Administrator, the Holders of the Preference Shares, Maples Finance Limited, as the share trustee (in such capacity, the "**Share Trustee**"), or any directors or officers of the Co-Issuers or any of their respective Affiliates.

At the Closing Date, the authorized share capital of the Issuer consists of 250 ordinary shares, U.S.\$1.00 par value per share (the "**Issuer Ordinary Shares**"), all of which will have been issued prior to the Closing Date, and 80,000 Preference Shares, U.S.\$0.01 par value per share, 80,000 of which will be issued on or about the Closing Date. The authorized common stock of the Co-Issuer consists of 1,000 shares of common stock, U.S.\$0.01 par value (the "**Co-Issuer Common Stock**"), all of which shares will be issued on or about the Closing Date. All of the outstanding Issuer Ordinary Shares and all of the Co-Issuer Common Stock will be held by the Share Trustee. For so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding, no transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares or Co-Issuer Common Stock to a U.S. Person shall be registered.

The Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares will be identical in all respects except that the Class II Preference Shares will also be entitled, subject to any restrictions under Cayman Islands law, to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments and will have voting rights with respect to the directors of the Issuer as described herein. In addition to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments payable on the Class II Preference Shares, regular dividends will be payable on the Class II Preference Shares and the Class I Preference Shares on each Payment Date in the amounts and in the priority described under the Priority of Payments; provided that, if and to the extent sufficient funds to pay such regular dividends in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Cayman Islands law are not available on any Payment Date, no dividends will be payable on such Payment Date. Class II Preference Share Special Payments will be paid to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares on a *pro rata* basis according to the number of Class II Preference Shares held by each Holder. All other dividends and distributions in respect of the Preference Shares will be paid to the Holders of the Preference Shares on a *pro rata* basis according to the number of Preference Shares held by each Holder.

## Capitalization

The initial proposed capitalization of the Issuer as of the Closing Date after giving effect to the initial issuance of the Securities and the Issuer Ordinary Shares (before deducting expenses of the offering) is as set forth below.

	<b>Amount (U.S.\$)</b>
Class A Notes .....	\$730,000,000
Class B Notes .....	\$60,000,000
Class C Notes .....	\$50,000,000
Class D Notes .....	\$40,000,000
Class E Notes .....	<u>\$40,000,000</u>
Total Notes .....	\$920,000,000
Class I Preference Shares .....	\$20,000,000*
Class II Preference Shares .....	\$60,000,000*
Issuer Ordinary Shares .....	<u>250</u>
Total Equity .....	\$80,000,250
Total Capitalization .....	<u><u>\$1,000,000,250</u></u>

\* The Preference Shares will be issued with a Face Amount of U.S.\$1,000 per share.

The Co-Issuer will be capitalized only to the extent of its common equity of U.S.\$10, will have no assets other than its equity capital and will have no debt other than as Co-Issuer of the Senior Notes.

## Business

### *General*

The Issuer Charter provides that the objects for which the Issuer is established are unlimited, although the Indenture restricts the activities of the Issuer as set forth below. Article III of the Co-Issuer's Certificate of Incorporation provides that the principal purpose of the Co-Issuer is the issuance of the Senior Notes and to engage in any activity and to exercise any powers permitted to corporations organized under Delaware Law, which are incidental to, or connected with, the foregoing and necessary, suitable or convenient to accomplish the foregoing.

### *The Issuer*

The Indenture provides that the activities of the Issuer are limited to the following:

- (i) acquisition and disposition of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments;
- (ii) entering into, and performing its obligations under, the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents, any Hedge Agreements, the Securities Lending Agreements, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Administration Agreement;
- (iii) the issuance and sale of the Securities and the Issuer Ordinary Shares;
- (iv) the pledge of the Collateral as security for its obligations in respect of the Notes and any Hedge Agreements;
- (v) entering into certain pre-closing warehousing arrangements and the agreements relating thereto; and
- (vi) undertaking certain other activities incidental to the foregoing.

*The Co-Issuer*

The activities of the Co-Issuer are to be limited to the following:

- (i) the co-issuance and sale of the Senior Notes; and
- (ii) to engage in any activity and to exercise any powers permitted to corporations organized under Delaware Law, which are incidental to, or connected with, the foregoing and necessary, suitable or convenient to accomplish the foregoing.

**Administration**

Maples Finance Limited ("**Maples Finance**"), a Cayman Islands company, or any successor thereto appointed under the Administration Agreement, will act as the administrator of the Issuer (in such capacity, the "**Administrator**"), the Share Registrar and the Share Trustee. The office of the Administrator will serve as the principal office of the Issuer. Through this office and pursuant to the terms of an agreement by and between the Administrator and the Issuer (as amended, supplemented and modified from time to time) (the "**Administration Agreement**"), the Administrator will perform various administrative functions on behalf of the Issuer, including the provision of certain clerical and other services including acting as Share Registrar until termination of the Administration Agreement. In consideration of the foregoing, the Administrator will receive various fees and reimbursement of its expenses.

The activities of the Administrator under the Administration Agreement will be subject to the overview of the Issuer's Board of Directors. The Administration Agreement may be terminated by the Issuer upon 14 days' written notice following the happening of certain events or upon 90 days' written notice in all other cases. Upon the earlier of the termination of the Administration Agreement or the dissolution of the Issuer, the Administrator shall cease to serve in such capacity. There is no requirement in the Administration Agreement that a replacement administrator be appointed prior to the effectiveness of any withdrawal or termination of the Administrator. In addition, the Administrator may resign if the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares remove one or more of the directors of the Issuer who are employees or officers of the Administrator.

The Administrator's principal office is at P.O. Box 1093GT, Boundary Hall, Cricket Square, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands.

**Directors**

The Issuer will have two directors, each of whom will initially be an employee or officer of the Administrator or an Affiliate of the Administrator.

The directors of the Issuer are Chris Marett and Steven O'Connor. Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may, for so long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding is greater than the number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding, vote at any time to remove any or all (but, so long as such directors are all associated with Maples Finance, not less than all) of the directors and appoint other directors who may be employees, officers or designees of the Servicer.

Directors of the Issuer may serve as directors of, and provide services to, other special purpose entities that issue collateralized obligations and perform other duties for the Administrator and the Servicer, as the case may be. They may be contacted at the address of the Administrator.

The director of the Co-Issuer is Donald Puglisi. Mr. Puglisi is also the President, Secretary and Treasurer of the Co-Issuer. Mr. Puglisi is a Professor of Finance at the University of Delaware. Mr. Puglisi serves as a director of, and provides services to, a number of special purpose entities. He may be contacted at the address of the Co-Issuer.

## PREVENTION OF MONEY LAUNDERING

To ensure compliance with applicable statutory requirements relating to anti-money laundering and anti-terrorism initiatives, the Share Registrar, on behalf of the Issuer, will require verification of identity and source of funds from all prospective purchasers of the Preference Shares. Depending on the circumstances of each purchase, it may not always be necessary to obtain full documentary evidence of identity and/or source of funds where:

1. The purchaser is a licensed entity or financial institution regulated in a country recognized as having an adequate anti-money laundering regime<sup>1</sup>;
2. The purchaser is an entity or financial institution listed on the Cayman Islands or other approved stock exchange<sup>2</sup>; or
3. The funds have been paid from an account held in the name of the purchaser at a financial institution based in a country recognized as having an adequate anti-money laundering regime.

## INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

### General

The following summary describes the principal U.S. federal income tax and Cayman Islands tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of the Notes to investors that acquire the Notes at original issuance and for an amount equal to the Issue Price of the relevant Class of Notes (for purposes of this section, with respect to each Class of Notes, the first price at which a substantial amount of Notes of such Class are sold to the public (excluding bond houses, brokers, underwriters, placement agents, and wholesalers) is referred to herein as the "**Issue Price**"). This summary does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all the tax considerations that may be relevant to a particular investor's decision to purchase the Notes. In addition, this summary does not describe any tax consequences arising under the laws of any state, locality or taxing jurisdiction other than the U.S. federal income tax laws and Cayman Islands tax laws. In general, the summary assumes that a beneficial owner of a Security holds the Security as a capital asset and not as part of a hedge, straddle or conversion transaction, within the meaning of Section 1258 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "**Code**").

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The advice below was not written and is not intended to be used and cannot be used by any taxpayer for purposes of avoiding United States federal income tax penalties that may be imposed. The advice is written to support the promotion or marketing of the transaction. Each taxpayer should seek advice based on the taxpayer's particular circumstances from an independent tax advisor.

The foregoing disclaimer is provided to satisfy obligations under Circular 230 governing standards of practice before the Internal Revenue Service.

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This summary is based on the U.S. and Cayman Islands tax laws, regulations (final, temporary and proposed), administrative rulings and practice and judicial decisions in effect or available on the date of this Offering Memorandum. All of the foregoing are subject to change or differing interpretation at any time, which change or interpretation may apply retroactively and could affect the continued validity of this summary.

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<sup>1</sup> The list of acceptable countries is: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bahamas, Bahrain, Barbados, Belgium, Bermuda, Brazil, British Virgin Islands, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Gibraltar, Greece, Guernsey, Hong Kong, Iceland, Ireland, Isle of Man, Israel, Italy, Japan, Jersey, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Malta, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Panama, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom and United States of America.

<sup>2</sup> A list of approved Stock Exchanges can be found under Appendix H of the Cayman Islands Money Laundering Regulations (as amended) which may be accessed on the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority website at [www.cimoney.com.ky](http://www.cimoney.com.ky).



This summary is included herein for general information only, and there can be no assurance that the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (the "**IRS**") will take a similar view of the U.S. federal income tax consequences of an investment in the Notes as described herein. ACCORDINGLY, PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS OF THE SECURITIES SHOULD CONSULT THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS AS TO U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX AND CAYMAN ISLANDS TAX CONSEQUENCES OF THE PURCHASE, OWNERSHIP AND DISPOSITION OF THE SECURITIES, AND THE POSSIBLE APPLICATION OF STATE, LOCAL, FOREIGN OR OTHER TAX LAWS.

As used in this section, the term "**U.S. Holder**" includes a beneficial owner of a Security that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a citizen or individual resident of the United States of America, an entity treated for United States federal income tax purposes as a corporation or a partnership created or organized in or under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof or the District of Columbia, an estate the income of which is includable in gross income for U.S. federal income tax purposes regardless of its source, or a trust if, in general, a court within the United States of America is able to exercise primary supervision over its administration and one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of such trust and certain eligible trusts that have elected to be treated as U.S. persons. This summary also does not address the rules applicable to certain types of investors that are subject to special U.S. federal income tax rules which are not discussed herein, including but not limited to, dealers in securities or currencies, traders in securities, financial institutions, U.S. expatriates, tax-exempt entities (except with respect to specific issues discussed herein), charitable remainder trusts and their beneficiaries, persons whose functional currency is not the Dollar, insurance companies, persons that own (directly or indirectly) equity interests in beneficial owners of Notes and subsequent purchasers of the Notes.

For U.S. federal income tax purposes, the Issuer, and not the Co-Issuer, will be treated as the issuer of the Senior Notes.

### **Tax Treatment of the Issuer**

*United States Federal Income Tax Consequences.* The Code and the U.S. Department of Treasury regulations promulgated thereunder ("**Treasury Regulations**") provide a specific exemption from net income-based U.S. federal income tax to non-U.S. corporations that restrict their activities in the United States to trading in stocks and securities (and any other activity closely related thereto) for their own account, whether such trading (or such other activity) is conducted by the corporation or its employees or through a resident broker, commission agent, custodian or other agent. This particular exemption does not apply to non-U.S. corporations that are engaged in activities in the United States other than trading in stocks and securities (and any other activity closely related thereto) for their own accounts or that are dealers in stocks and securities.

The Issuer intends to rely on the above exemption and does not intend to operate so as to be subject to U.S. federal income taxes on its net income. In this regard, on the Closing Date, the Issuer will receive an opinion from McKee Nelson LLP, special U.S. tax counsel to the Co-Issuers ("**Special U.S. Tax Counsel**") to the effect that, although no activity closely comparable to that contemplated by the Issuer has been the subject of any Treasury Regulation, administrative ruling or judicial decision, under current law and assuming compliance with the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Issuer, the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement, and other related documents (the "**Documents**") by all parties thereto, the Issuer's permitted activities will not cause it to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States under the Code and, consequently, the Issuer will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis (or the branch profits tax described below). The opinion of Special U.S. Tax Counsel will be based on the Code, the Treasury Regulations (final, temporary and proposed) thereunder, the existing authorities, and Special U.S. Tax Counsel's interpretation thereof and judgment concerning their application to the Issuer's permitted activities, and on certain factual assumptions and representations as to the Issuer's permitted activities. The Issuer intends to conduct its affairs in accordance with the Documents and such assumptions and representations, and the remainder of this summary assumes such result. The opinion referred to above will be based on the Servicer complying with certain investment restrictions which are intended to prevent the Issuer from engaging in activities which could give rise to a trade or business within the United States. Although the Servicer has undertaken to comply with these restrictions, it is permitted to depart from them if it obtains an opinion from nationally

recognized tax counsel that the departure will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business within the United States. In addition, the Servicer is not obligated to monitor (and conform the Issuer's activities) to changes in law, and accordingly, any such changes could adversely affect whether the Issuer is treated as engaged in a United States trade or business. In addition, in complying with the Documents and such assumptions and representations, the Issuer and the Servicer are entitled to rely upon the advice and/or opinions of their selected counsel, and the opinion of Special U.S. Tax Counsel will assume that any such advice and/or opinions are correct and complete. However, the opinion of Special U.S. Tax Counsel and any such other advice or opinions are not binding on the IRS or the courts, and no ruling will be sought from the IRS regarding this, or any other, aspect of the U.S. federal income tax treatment of the Issuer. Accordingly, in the absence of authority on point, the U.S. federal income tax treatment of the Issuer is not entirely free from doubt, and there can be no assurance that positions contrary to those stated in the opinion of Special U.S. Tax Counsel or any such other advice or opinions may not be asserted successfully by the IRS.

If, notwithstanding the Issuer's intention and the aforementioned opinion of Special U.S. Tax Counsel or any such other advice or opinions, it were nonetheless determined that the Issuer were engaged in a trade or business in the United States (as defined in the Code), and the Issuer had taxable income that was effectively connected with such U.S. trade or business, the Issuer would be subject under the Code to the regular U.S. corporate income tax on such effectively connected taxable income (and possibly to the 30% branch profits tax as well). The imposition of such taxes would materially affect the Issuer's financial ability to make payments with respect to the Notes and could materially affect the yield of the Notes and the return on the Preference Shares.

Legislation recently proposed in the U.S. Senate would, for tax years beginning at least two years after its enactment, tax a corporation as a U.S. corporation if the equity of that corporation is regularly traded on an established securities market and the management and control of the corporation occurs primarily within the United States. It is unknown whether this proposal will be enacted in its current form and, whether if enacted, the Issuer would be subject to its provisions. However, upon enactment of this or similar legislation, the Issuer will be permitted, with an opinion of counsel, to take such action as it deems advisable to prevent the Issuer from being subject to such legislation. These actions could include removing some classes of Senior Notes from listing on the Irish Stock Exchange.

With respect to Cayman Islands taxation, see the discussion below in "—Cayman Islands Taxation".

*United States Withholding Taxes.* Although, based on the foregoing, the Issuer is not expected to be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis, income derived by the Issuer may be subject to withholding taxes imposed by the United States or other countries. Generally, U.S. source interest income received by a foreign corporation not engaged in a trade or business within the United States is subject to U.S. withholding tax at the rate of 30% of the amount thereof. The Code provides an exemption (the "portfolio interest exemption") from such withholding tax for interest paid with respect to certain debt obligations issued after July 18, 1984, unless the interest constitutes a certain type of contingent interest or is paid to a 10% shareholder of the payor, to a controlled foreign corporation related to the payor, or to a bank with respect to a loan entered into in the ordinary course of its business. In this regard, the Issuer is permitted to acquire a particular Collateral Obligation only if the payments thereon are exempt from U.S. withholding taxes at the time of purchase or commitment to purchase (except for U.S. withholding taxes which may be payable with respect to commitment fees and other similar fees (including, without limitation, certain payments on obligations or securities that include a participation in or that support a letter of credit) associated with Collateral Obligations constituting Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans and fees from a borrower under a synthetic letter of credit) or the obligor is required to make "gross-up" payments that offset fully any such tax on any such payments. Any commitment fees associated with Collateral Obligations constituting Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans and fees associated with participations or letters of credit or synthetic letters of credit may (and in some cases will) be subject to U.S. withholding tax, which would reduce the Issuer's net income from such activities. However, the Issuer does not anticipate that it will otherwise derive material amounts of any other items of income that would be subject to U.S. withholding taxes. Accordingly, assuming compliance with the foregoing restrictions and subject to the foregoing qualifications, income derived by the Issuer will be free of or fully "grossed up" for any material amount of U.S. withholding tax.

It is possible that, as a result of a workout of a defaulted Collateral Obligation, the Issuer could receive an asset subject to withholding. However, there can be no assurance that income derived by the Issuer will not generally become subject to U.S. withholding tax as a result of a change in U.S. tax law or administrative practice, procedure, or interpretations thereof. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—Tax Considerations; No Gross-Up". Any change in U.S. tax law or administrative practice, procedure, or interpretations thereof resulting in the income of the Issuer becoming subject to U.S. withholding taxes could constitute a Tax Event. See "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption". It is also anticipated that the Issuer will acquire Collateral Obligations that consist of obligations of non-U.S. issuers. In this regard, the Issuer may only acquire a particular Collateral Obligation if either the payments thereon are not subject to foreign withholding tax (except for U.S. withholding taxes which may be payable with respect to commitment fees and other similar fees (including, without limitation, certain payments on obligations or securities that include a participation in or that support a letter of credit) associated with Collateral Obligations constituting Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans and fees from a borrower under a synthetic letter of credit) or the obligor of the Collateral Obligation is required to make "gross-up" payments.

Prospective investors should be aware that, under certain Treasury Regulations, the IRS may disregard the participation of an intermediary in a "conduit" financing arrangement and the conclusions reached in the immediately preceding paragraph assume that Affected Banks will not, as a result of holding Securities, influence the selection of Collateral Obligations and that such Treasury Regulations do not apply. Those Treasury Regulations could require withholding of U.S. federal income tax from payments to the Issuer of interest on the Collateral Obligations. In order to prevent "conduit" classification, each holder and beneficial owner of a Class E Note, a Class I Preference Share or a Class II Preference Share that (i) is not a "United States person" (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) and (ii) is acquiring, directly or in conjunction with affiliates, more than 33 1/3% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Class of Securities will be deemed to make a representation to the effect that it is not an Affected Bank. "**Affected Bank**" means a "bank" for purposes of Section 881 of the Code or an entity affiliated with such a bank that neither (x) meets the definition of a U.S. Holder nor (y) is entitled to the benefits of an income tax treaty with the United States under which withholding taxes on interest payments made by obligors resident in the United States to such bank are reduced to 0%.

### **Tax Treatment of U.S. Holders of the Notes**

*Status of the Notes.* On the Closing Date, the Issuer will receive an opinion from Special U.S. Tax Counsel to the effect that the Senior Notes will be, and the Class E Notes should be, treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes when issued, and this summary assumes such treatment. Further, the Issuer and each U.S. Holder and beneficial owner of a Note, by acquiring such Note or an interest in such Note, will agree to treat such Note as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes, except (x) as otherwise required by applicable law, (y) to the extent a holder makes a protective election to be treated as a qualified electing fund, or (z) to the extent that a holder files certain United States tax information returns required of only certain equity owners with respect to various reporting requirements under the Code. The determination of whether a Note will be treated as debt for United States federal income tax purposes is based on the applicable law and facts and circumstances existing at the time the Note is issued. However, the opinion of Special U.S. Tax Counsel is based on current law and certain representations and assumptions and is not binding on the IRS or the courts, and no ruling will be sought from the IRS regarding this, or any other, aspect of the U.S. federal income tax treatment of the Notes. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the IRS will not contend, and that a court will not ultimately hold, that one or more Classes of the Notes are properly treated as equity in the Issuer for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Recharacterization of a Class of Notes, particularly the Class E Notes because of their place in the capital structure, may be more likely if a single investor or a group of investors that holds all of the Preference Shares also holds all of the more senior Class of Notes in the same proportion as the Preference Shares are held. If a Class of the Notes were treated as equity in, rather than debt of, the Issuer for U.S. federal income tax purposes, U.S. Holders of Notes of such Class would be subject to taxation under rules substantially the same as those set forth below under "Tax Treatment of U.S. Holders of Preference Shares" which could cause adverse tax consequences for such U.S. Holders upon the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other taxable disposition of, or the receipt of certain types of distributions on, such Notes.

*Maturity Extension and Extension Bonus Payment.* Because the Stated Maturity of the Notes may be extended if certain conditions are met, it is unclear whether the Notes should be treated as maturing on November 1, 2021 or November 1, 2037, or on a date between such dates. The Treasury regulations do not provide clear guidance on debt instruments with terms similar to the Notes. Absent further guidance, the Issuer intends to take the position that the Notes should be treated as maturing on November 1, 2021. If the Notes are extended, the Issuer intends to treat each Note, solely for purposes of sections 1272 and 1273 of the Code, as retired and reissued for an amount equal to the adjusted issue price on the date of the new Extension Effective Date. Prospective investors in the Notes should consult their tax advisors regarding whether the Notes should be treated as maturing on a different date and the tax consequences if the Notes have a different maturity date than that chosen by the Issuer.

If the Stated Maturity is extended and the Notes may be sold to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser that is related to the Issuer within the meaning of section 267(b) of the Code, the extension of the Stated Maturity could, or after the first Maturity Extension would, be treated as a modification of the Notes. If such extension constitutes a modification, there is a significant risk that U.S. Holders who continue to hold their Notes after such extension will be treated as having exchanged their Notes for new Notes ("**New Notes**") in a deemed exchange for U.S. federal income tax purposes (a "**Deemed Exchange**"). Any such Deemed Exchange would be treated as a taxable exchange, resulting in gain or loss, if any. Furthermore, if the Notes are treated as exchanged for New Notes in a Deemed Exchange as a result of a Maturity Extension, whether the New Notes would be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes will depend on the facts and circumstances existing at the time of such Deemed Exchange. Tax Counsel is unable to opine on whether New Notes treated as received in a Deemed Exchange for the Notes will be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In the event of a Deemed Exchange, U.S. Holders are strongly urged to consult their tax advisors regarding the tax consequences of such Deemed Exchange.

The tax treatment of the Extension Bonus Payment is unclear. The Issuer intends to take the positions that the full amount of the Extension Bonus Payment should be taxable to U.S. Holders as ordinary income in accordance with their method of accounting and that neither the Extension Bonus Payment nor the Issuer's options to extend the Stated Maturity should cause the Notes to be treated as subject to the rules applicable to "contingent payment debt instruments" under Section 1.1275-4 of the Treasury regulation. U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisors regarding the taxation of the Extension Bonus Payment, and the tax consequences of the Notes if they are treated as contingent payment debt instruments.

*Interest or Discount on the Notes.* Subject to the discussion below, U.S. Holders of each Class of Notes generally will include in gross income payments of stated interest received on such Class of Notes, in accordance with their usual method of accounting for U.S. federal income tax purposes as ordinary interest income from sources outside the United States.

If the Issue Price of a Class of Notes is less than the "stated redemption price at maturity" of such Class of Notes by more than a *de minimis* amount, U.S. Holders of Notes of such Class will be considered to have purchased such Notes with original issue discount ("**OID**"). The stated redemption price at maturity of a Class of Notes will be the sum of all payments to be received on Notes of such Class, other than payments of "**qualified stated interest**" (i.e., generally, stated interest which is unconditionally payable in money at least annually during the entire term of a debt instrument; interest is unconditionally payable only if reasonable legal remedies exist to compel timely payment or the debt instrument otherwise provides terms and conditions that make the likelihood of late payment or nonpayment a remote contingency). Prospective U.S. Holders of the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes should note that, because interest on these Notes can be deferred, the Issuer intends to treat interest on these Classes as not unconditionally payable in money on each Payment Date (and, therefore, not "qualified stated interest"), and as a result include all of the stated interest payments on these Notes in the stated redemption prices at maturity of these Notes, and must therefore be accrued by U.S. Holders pursuant to the OID rules described below. Such OID inclusion on such Notes generally will be treated as income from sources outside the United States.

A U.S. Holder of such Class of Notes issued with OID will be required to accrue and include in gross income the sum of the "daily portions" of total OID on such Notes for each day during the taxable

year on which the U.S. Holder held such Notes, generally under a constant yield method, regardless of such U.S. Holder's usual method of accounting for U.S. federal income tax purposes. If a Note is issued with only a *de minimis* amount of OID, such discount is not subject to accrual under the OID rules and should be included in gross income proportionately as stated principal payments are received. Such *de minimis* OID should be treated as gain from the sale or exchange of property and may be eligible to be treated as a capital gain if the Note is a capital asset in the hands of the U.S. Holder.

In the case of such Class of Notes that provides for a floating rate of interest, the amount of OID to be accrued over the term of such Notes will be based initially on the assumption that the floating rate in effect for the first accrual period of such Notes will remain constant throughout their term. To the extent such rate varies with respect to any accrual period, such variation will be reflected in an increase or decrease of the amount of OID accrued for such period. Under the foregoing method, U.S. Holders of the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes may be required to include in gross income increasingly greater amounts of OID and may be required to include OID in advance of the receipt of cash attributable to such income.

The Issuer intends to treat each Class of Notes issued with more than *de minimis* OID as being subject to the rules prescribed by Section 1272(a)(6) of the Code using an assumption as to the prepayments on such Class of Notes, as discussed below under "—OID on the Notes". A prepayment assumption applies to debt instruments if payments under such debt instruments may be accelerated by reason of prepayments of other obligations securing such debt instruments.

*OID on the Notes.* The following discussion will apply to a Class of Notes if it is issued with more than *de minimis* OID. Because principal repayments on such Notes are subject to acceleration, the method by which OID on such Notes is required to be accrued is uncertain. For purposes of accruing OID on these Notes under such circumstances, the Issuer intends to treat these Notes as being subject to the "prepayment assumption method". These rules require that the amount and rate of accrual of OID be calculated based on a prepayment assumption and the anticipated reinvestment rate, if any, relating to the Notes and prescribe a method for adjusting the amount and rate of accrual of the discount where the actual prepayment rate differs from the prepayment assumption. Under the Code, the prepayment assumption must be determined in the manner prescribed by the Treasury Regulations, which have not yet been issued. The legislative history provides, however, that Congress intended the Treasury Regulations to require that the prepayment assumption be the prepayment assumption that is used in determining the initial offering price of the Notes. Solely for purposes of determining OID, market discount and bond premium, the Issuer intends to assume that the Collateral Obligations will either not prepay or any prepayments will be reinvested. No representation is made that the Notes will prepay at the prepayment assumption or at any other rate.

It is possible the IRS could contend that another method of accruing OID with respect to these Notes is appropriate and, if successful, could apply rules that may result in adverse or more favorable U.S. federal income tax consequences to a U.S. Holder of such Notes. One such alternative method of accruing OID may be the noncontingent bond method that governs contingent payment debt obligations. Such method could affect the amount and character of the gain or loss recognized upon a disposition of a Note.

A purchaser of a Note issued with OID who purchases such Note at a price other than the adjusted Issue Price but at a cost less than the remaining stated redemption price at maturity will also be required to include in gross income the sum of the daily portions of OID on such Note. In computing the daily portions of OID for a purchaser of a Note that purchases at a price higher than the adjusted issue price, but less than the stated redemption price at maturity, however, the daily portion is reduced by the amount that would be the daily portion for the day (computed in accordance with the rules set forth above) multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the amount, if any, by which the price paid by the U.S. holder for such Note exceeds the following amount:

- The sum of the Issue Price *plus* the aggregate amount of OID that would have been includible in the gross income of an original U.S. Holder (who purchased the Note at the Issue Price), less

- Any prior payments included in the stated redemption price at maturity,

and the denominator of which is the sum of the daily portions for such Note for all days beginning on the date after the purchase date and ending on the maturity date computed under the prepayment assumption.

As a result of the complexity of the OID rules, each U.S. Holder of Notes should consult its own tax advisor regarding the impact of the OID rules on its investment in such Notes.

*Premium.* A U.S. Holder who pays a premium (an amount in excess of the Note's stated redemption price at maturity) for a Note may elect to amortize such premium under a constant yield method over the life of such Note. The amortizable amount for any accrual period would offset the amount of OID that must be included in the gross income of a U.S. Holder in such accrual period. The U.S. Holder's basis in such Note would be reduced by the amount of amortization. It is not clear whether the prepayment assumption would be taken into account in determining the life of such Note for this purpose.

*Market Discount.* If a U.S. Holder acquires a Note at a discount to the adjusted issue price of the Note that is greater than a statutorily defined de minimis amount, such discount is treated as market discount. Absent an election to accrue into income currently, the amount of accrued market discount on a Note is included in income as ordinary income when principal payments are received or the U.S. Holder disposes of the Note. Market discount is included ratably unless a U.S. Holder elects to use a constant yield method for accrual. For this purpose, the term "ratably" may be based on the term of the Note, or a U.S. Holder may be permitted to accrue market discount in proportion to interest on Notes issued without OID or in proportion to OID on Notes issued with OID.

*Election to Treat All Interest as OID.* The OID rules permit a U.S. Holder of a Note to elect to accrue all interest, discount (including de minimis market or original issue discount) and premium in income as interest, based on a constant yield method. If an election to treat all interest as OID were to be made with respect to a Note with market discount, the U.S. Holder of such Note would be deemed to have made an election to include in income currently market discount with respect to all other debt instruments having market discount that such U.S. Holder acquires during the year of the election or thereafter. Similarly, a U.S. Holder that makes this election for a Note that is acquired at a premium will be deemed to have made an election to amortize bond premium with respect to all debt instruments having amortizable bond premium that such U.S. Holder owns or acquires. The election to accrue interest, discount and premium on a constant yield method with respect to a Note cannot be revoked without the consent of the IRS.

*Disposition of the Notes.* In general, a U.S. Holder of a Note initially will have a basis in such Note equal to the cost of such Note to such U.S. Holder, (i) increased by any amount includable in income by such U.S. Holder as OID (or accrued market discount such U.S. Holder previously included in income) with respect to such Note, and (ii) reduced by amortized premium and by any payments on such Note, other than payments of qualified stated interest on such Note. Upon a sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other taxable disposition of a Note, a U.S. Holder will generally recognize gain or loss equal to the difference between the amount realized on the disposition (other than amounts attributable to accrued qualified stated interest on such Note, which will be taxable as described above) and the U.S. Holder's tax basis in such Note. Except to the extent of accrued interest or market discount not previously included in income, gain or loss from the disposition of a Note generally will be long term capital gain or loss if the U.S. Holder held the Note for more than one year at the time of disposition, provided that such Note is held as a "capital asset" (generally, property held for investment) within the meaning of Section 1221 of the Code.

In certain circumstances, U.S. Holders that are individuals may be entitled to preferential treatment for net long-term capital gains; however, the ability of U.S. Holders to offset capital losses against ordinary income is limited.

Gain recognized by a U.S. Holder on the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other taxable disposition of a Note generally will be treated as from sources within the United States and loss so recognized generally will offset income from sources in the United States.

*Alternative Characterization of the Notes.* Notwithstanding special U.S. tax counsel's opinion, U.S. Holders should recognize that there is some uncertainty regarding the appropriate classification of instruments such as the Notes. It is possible, for example, that the IRS may contend that a Class of Notes should be treated as equity interests (or as part debt, part equity) in the Issuer. Such a recharacterization might result in material adverse U.S. federal income tax consequences to U.S. Holders. If U.S. Holders of a Class of the Notes were treated as owning equity interests in the Issuer, the U.S. federal income tax consequences to U.S. Holders of such recharacterized Notes would be as described under "—Tax Treatment of U.S. Holders of Preference Shares" and "—Tax Return Disclosure and Investor List Requirements." In order to avoid the application of the PFIC rules, each U.S. Holder of a Security should consider making a qualified electing fund election provided in Section 1295 of the Code on a "protective" basis (although such protective election may not be respected by the IRS because current regulations do not specifically authorize that particular election). Further, U.S. Holders of any Class of Notes that may be recharacterized as equity in the Issuer should consult with their own tax advisors with respect to whether, if they owned equity in the Issuer, they would be required to file information returns in accordance with sections 6038, 6038B, and 6046 of the Code (and, if so, whether they should file such returns on a protective basis).

### **Tax Treatment of U.S. Holders of Preference Shares**

Based on the capital structure of the Issuer and the terms of the Preference Shares, it is likely the Preference Shares will be treated as equity for United States federal income tax purposes. The following discussion is based on the Preference Shares being treated as equity of the Issuer.

*Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company.* The Issuer will constitute a "passive foreign investment company" ("PFIC"). Accordingly, U.S. Holders of Preference Shares (other than certain U.S. Holders that are subject to the rules pertaining to a "controlled foreign corporation", described below) will be considered U.S. shareholders in a PFIC and will be required to file annual information returns on IRS Form 8621 with their U.S. federal income tax returns. In general, a U.S. Holder of a PFIC may desire to make an election to treat the Issuer as a "qualified electing fund" ("QEF") with respect to such U.S. Holder. Generally, a QEF election should be made with the filing of IRS Form 8621 with a U.S. Holder's federal income tax return for the first taxable year for which it held Preference Shares. If a timely QEF election is made for the Issuer, an electing U.S. Holder generally will be required in each taxable year to include in gross income (i) as ordinary income, such holder's *pro rata* share of the Issuer's ordinary earnings and (ii) as long term capital gain, such holder's *pro rata* share of the Issuer's net capital gain, whether or not distributed. A U.S. Holder will not be eligible for the preferential income tax rate on "qualified dividend income" (as defined in the Code) or the dividends received deduction with respect to any such income or gain. In addition, any losses of the Issuer in a taxable year will not be available to such U.S. Holder and may not be carried back or forward in computing the Issuer's ordinary earnings and net capital gain in other taxable years. An amount included in an electing U.S. Holder's gross income should be treated as income from sources outside the United States for U.S. foreign tax credit limitation purposes. However, if U.S. Holders collectively own (directly or constructively) 50% or more (measured by vote or value) of the Preference Shares, such amount will be treated as income from sources within the United States for such purposes to the extent that such amount is attributable to income of the Issuer from sources within the United States. If applicable to a U.S. Holder of Preference Shares, the rules pertaining to a "controlled foreign corporation", discussed below, generally override those pertaining to a PFIC with respect to which a QEF election is in effect.

In certain cases in which a QEF does not distribute all of its earnings in a taxable year, U.S. shareholders may also be permitted to elect to defer payment of some or all of the taxes on the QEF's income subject to an interest charge on the deferred amount. In this respect, prospective purchasers of Preference Shares should be aware that it is possible that the Collateral Obligations may be purchased by the Issuer with substantial OID, the cash payment of which may be deferred, perhaps for a substantial period of time, and the Issuer may use interest and other income from the Collateral Obligations to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or to retire Securities. As a result, the Issuer may have in any

given year substantial amounts of earnings for U.S. federal income tax purposes that are not distributed on the Preference Shares. Thus, absent an election to defer payment of taxes, U.S. Holders that make a QEF election with respect to the Issuer may owe tax on significant "phantom" income.

In addition, it should be noted that if the Issuer acquires obligations that are not in registered form, a U.S. Holder making a QEF election (a) may not be permitted to take a deduction for any loss attributable to such obligations when calculating its share of the Issuer's earnings and (b) may be required to treat income attributable to such obligations as ordinary income even though the income would otherwise constitute capital gains. It is possible that some portion of the assets of the Issuer will constitute obligations that are not in registered form.

The Issuer will provide, upon request, all information and documentation that a U.S. Holder making a QEF election is required to obtain for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

A U.S. Holder of Preference Shares (other than certain U.S. Holders that are subject to the rules pertaining to a "controlled foreign corporation", described below) that does not make a timely QEF election will be required to report any gain on disposition (including gain recognized upon a redemption) of any Preference Shares as if it were an excess distribution, rather than capital gain, and to compute the tax liability on such gain and any excess distribution received with respect to the Preference Shares as if such items had been earned ratably over each day in the U.S. Holder's holding period (or a certain portion thereof) for the Preference Shares. The U.S. Holder will be subject to tax on such items at the highest ordinary income tax rate for each taxable year, other than the current year of the U.S. Holder, in which the items were treated as having been earned, regardless of the rate otherwise applicable to the U.S. Holder. Further, such U.S. Holder will also be liable for an additional tax equal to interest on the tax liability attributable to income allocated to prior years as if such liability had been due with respect to each such prior year. For purposes of these rules, gifts, exchanges pursuant to corporate reorganizations and use of the Preference Shares as security for a loan may be treated as a taxable disposition of such Preference Shares. Very generally, an "excess distribution" is the amount by which distributions during a taxable year with respect to a Preference Share exceed 125 percent of the average amount of distributions in respect thereof during the three preceding taxable years (or, if shorter, the U.S. Holder's holding period for the Preference Share). In addition, a stepped-up basis in the Preference Shares upon the death of an individual U.S. Holder may not be available.

In many cases, application of the tax on gain on disposition and receipt of excess distributions will be substantially more onerous than the treatment applicable if a timely QEF election is made. ACCORDINGLY, U.S. HOLDERS OF PREFERENCE SHARES SHOULD CONSIDER CAREFULLY WHETHER TO MAKE A QEF ELECTION WITH RESPECT TO THE PREFERENCE SHARES AND THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT MAKING SUCH AN ELECTION.

*Investment in a Controlled Foreign Corporation.* The Issuer may be classified as a controlled foreign corporation ("**CFC**"). In general, a foreign corporation will be classified as a CFC if more than 50% of the shares of the corporation, measured by reference to combined voting power or value, is owned (actually or constructively) by "U.S. Shareholders". A U.S. Shareholder, for this purpose, is any U.S. person that possesses (actually or constructively) 10% or more of the combined voting power (generally the right to vote for directors of the corporation) of all classes of shares of a corporation. Although the Preference Shares do not vote for directors of the Issuer, it is possible that the IRS would assert that the Preference Shares are de facto voting securities and that U.S. Holders possessing (actually or constructively) 10% or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock entitled to vote (including the Preference Shares) are U.S. Shareholders. If this argument were successful and more than 50% of the Preference Shares (determined with respect to aggregate value or combined voting power) are owned (actually or constructively) by such U.S. Shareholders, the Issuer would be treated as a CFC.

If the Issuer were treated as a CFC, a U.S. Shareholder of the Issuer would be treated, subject to certain exceptions, as receiving a deemed dividend at the end of the taxable year of the Issuer in an amount equal to that person's *pro rata* share of the "subpart F income" of the Issuer (which may include any subpart F income of the Issuer during the warehousing of the Collateral Obligations). Such deemed dividend would be treated as income from sources within the United States for U.S. foreign tax credit



limitation purposes to the extent that it is attributable to income of the Issuer from sources within the United States. Among other items, and subject to certain exceptions, "subpart F income" includes dividends, interest, annuities, gains from the sale or exchange of shares and securities, certain gains from commodities transactions, certain types of insurance income and income from certain transactions with related parties. It is likely that, if the Issuer were to constitute a CFC, all or most of its income would be subpart F income and, in general, if the Issuer's subpart F income exceeds 70% of its gross income for a taxable year, the entire amount of the Issuer's income for such taxable year will be treated as subpart F income.

If the Issuer were treated as a CFC, a U.S. Shareholder of the Issuer which made a QEF election with respect to the Issuer would be taxable on the subpart F income of the Issuer under rules described in the preceding paragraph and not under the QEF rules previously described. As a result, to the extent subpart F income of the Issuer includes net capital gains, such gains will be treated as ordinary income of the U.S. Shareholder under the CFC rules, notwithstanding the fact that the character of such gains generally would otherwise be preserved under the QEF rules.

Furthermore, if the Issuer were treated as a CFC and a U.S. Holder were treated as a U.S. Shareholder therein, the Issuer would not be treated as a PFIC or a QEF with respect to such U.S. Holder for the period during which the Issuer remained a CFC and such U.S. Holder remained a U.S. Shareholder therein (the "qualified portion" of the U.S. Holder's holding period for the Preference Shares). If the qualified portion of such U.S. Holder's holding period for the Preference Shares subsequently ceased (either because the Issuer ceased to be a CFC or the U.S. Holder ceased to be a U.S. Shareholder), then solely for purposes of the PFIC rules, such U.S. Holder's holding period for the Preference Shares would be treated as beginning on the first day following the end of such qualified portion, unless the U.S. Holder had owned any Preference Shares for any period of time prior to such qualified portion and had not made a QEF election with respect to the Issuer. In that case, the Issuer would again be treated as a PFIC which is not a QEF with respect to such U.S. Holder and the beginning of such U.S. Holder's holding period for the Preference Shares would continue to be the date upon which such U.S. Holder acquired the Preference Shares, unless the U.S. Holder made an election to recognize gain with respect to the Preference Shares and a QEF election with respect to the Issuer.

*Indirect Interests in PFICs and CFCs.* If the Issuer owns a Collateral Obligation or an Eligible Equity Security issued by a non-U.S. corporation that is treated as equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes, U.S. Holders of Preference Shares could be treated as owning an indirect equity interest in a PFIC or a CFC and could be subject to certain adverse tax consequences.

In particular, if the Issuer owns equity interests in PFICs ("**Lower-Tier PFICs**"), a U.S. Holder of Preference Shares would be treated as owning directly the U.S. Holder's proportionate amount (by value) of the Issuer's equity interests in the Lower-Tier PFICs. A U.S. Holder's QEF election with respect to the Issuer would not be effective with respect to such Lower-Tier PFICs. However, a U.S. Holder would be able to make QEF elections with respect to such Lower-Tier PFICs if the Lower-Tier PFICs provide certain information and documentation to the Issuer in accordance with applicable Treasury Regulations. However, there can be no assurance that the Issuer would be able to obtain such information and documentation from any Lower-Tier PFIC, and thus there can be no assurance that a U.S. Holder would be able to make or maintain a QEF election with respect to any Lower-Tier PFIC. If a U.S. Holder does not have a QEF election in effect with respect to a Lower-Tier PFIC, as a general matter, the U.S. Holder would be subject to the adverse consequences described above under "—Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company" with respect to any excess distributions made by such Lower-Tier PFIC to the Issuer, any gain on the disposition by the Issuer of its equity interest in such Lower-Tier PFIC treated as indirectly realized by such U.S. Holder, and any gain treated as indirectly realized by such U.S. Holder on the disposition of its equity in the Issuer (which may arise even if the U.S. Holder realizes a loss on such disposition). Such amount would not be reduced by expenses or losses of the Issuer, but any income recognized may increase a U.S. Holder's tax basis in its Preference Shares. Moreover, if the U.S. Holder has a QEF election in effect with respect to a Lower-Tier PFIC, the U.S. Holder would be required to include in income the U.S. Holder's *pro rata* share of the Lower-Tier PFIC's ordinary earnings and net capital gain as if the U.S. Holder's indirect equity interest in the Lower-Tier PFIC were directly owned, and it appears that the U.S. Holder would not be permitted to use any losses or other expenses of the Issuer

to offset such ordinary earnings and/or net capital gains, but recognition of such income may increase a U.S. Holder's tax basis in its Preference Shares.

Accordingly, if any of the Collateral Obligations or Eligible Equity Securities are treated as equity interests in a PFIC, such U.S. Holders could experience significant amounts of phantom income with respect to such interests. Other adverse tax consequences may arise for such U.S. Holders that are treated as owning indirect interests in CFCs. U.S. Holders should consult their own tax advisors regarding the tax issues associated with such investments in light of their own individual circumstances.

*Distributions on Preference Shares.* The treatment of actual distributions of cash on the Preference Shares, in very general terms, will vary depending on whether a U.S. Holder has made a timely QEF election as described above. See "—Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company". If a timely QEF election has been made, distributions should be allocated first to amounts previously taxed pursuant to the QEF election (or pursuant to the CFC rules, if applicable) and to this extent will not be taxable to U.S. Holders. Distributions in excess of amounts previously taxed pursuant to a QEF election (or pursuant to the CFC rules, if applicable) will be treated as dividends (but not eligible for the reduced tax rate applicable to "qualified dividend income") and taxable to U.S. Holders as ordinary income upon receipt to the extent of any remaining amounts of untaxed current and accumulated earnings and profits of the Issuer. Distributions in excess of any current and accumulated earnings and profits will be treated first as a nontaxable reduction to the U.S. Holder's tax basis for the Preference Shares to the extent thereof and then as capital gain.

In the event that a U.S. Holder does not make a timely QEF election, then except to the extent that distributions may be attributable to amounts previously taxed pursuant to the CFC rules, some or all of any distributions with respect to the Preference Shares may constitute "excess distributions", taxable as previously described. See "—Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company". In that event, except to the extent that distributions may be attributable to amounts previously taxed to the U.S. Holder pursuant to the CFC rules or are treated as "excess distributions", distributions on the Preference Shares generally would be treated as dividends to the extent paid out of the Issuer's current or accumulated earnings and profits not allocated to any "excess distributions", then as a nontaxable reduction to the U.S. Holder's tax basis for the Preference Shares to the extent thereof and then as capital gain. Dividends on the Preference Shares would not be "qualified dividend income" and therefore would be taxable to individuals, trusts and estates as ordinary income rather than at the 15% net capital gain rate. Dividends received from a foreign corporation generally will be treated as income from sources outside the United States for U.S. foreign tax credit limitation purposes. However, if U.S. Holders collectively own (directly or constructively) 50% or more (measured by vote or value) of the Preference Shares, a percentage of the dividend income equal to the proportion of the Issuer's earnings and profits from sources within the United States generally will be treated as income from sources within the United States for such purposes.

*Disposition of the Preference Shares.* In general, a U.S. Holder of a Preference Share will recognize gain or loss upon the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other taxable disposition of a Preference Share equal to the difference between the amount realized and such U.S. Holder's adjusted tax basis in the Preference Share. Except as discussed below, such gain or loss will be long-term capital gain or loss if the U.S. Holder held the Preference Share for more than one year at the time of the disposition. In certain circumstances, U.S. Holders who are individuals may be entitled to preferential treatment for net long-term capital gains; however, the ability of U.S. Holders to offset capital losses against ordinary income is limited. Gain recognized by a U.S. Holder on the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other taxable disposition of a Preference Share (other than, in the case of a U.S. Holder treated as a "U.S. Shareholder", any such gain characterized as a dividend, as discussed below) generally will be treated as from sources within the United States and loss so recognized generally will offset income from sources within the United States.

Initially, a U.S. Holder's tax basis for a Preference Share will equal the amount paid for the Preference Share. Such basis will be increased by amounts taxable to such U.S. Holder by virtue of a QEF election, or by virtue of the CFC rules, as applicable, and decreased by actual distributions from the Issuer that are deemed to consist of such previously taxed amounts or are treated as a nontaxable reduction to the U.S. Holder's tax basis for the Preference Share (as described above).

If a U.S. Holder does not make a timely QEF election as described above, any gain realized on the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other taxable disposition of a Preference Share (or any gain deemed to accrue prior to the time a non-timely QEF election is made) will be taxed as ordinary income and subject to an additional tax reflecting a deemed interest charge under the special tax rules described above. See "—Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company".

Except for a limited exception applicable to individuals, if the Issuer were treated as a CFC and a U.S. Holder were treated as a "U.S. Shareholder" therein, then any gain realized by such U.S. Holder upon the disposition of Preference Shares, other than gain constituting an excess distribution under the PFIC rules, if applicable, would be treated as a dividend to the extent of the U.S. Holder's share of the current or accumulated earnings and profits of the Issuer. In this regard, earnings and profits would not include any amounts previously taxed pursuant to a timely QEF election or pursuant to the CFC rules.

### **Certain Reporting Requirements**

A U.S. Holder of Preference Shares that owns (actually or constructively) at least 10% by vote or value of the Issuer (and each officer or director of the Issuer that is a U.S. citizen or resident) may be required to file an information return on IRS Form 5471. A U.S. Holder of Preference Shares generally is required to provide additional information regarding the Issuer annually on IRS Form 5471 if it owns (actually or constructively) more than 50% by vote or value of the Issuer. U.S. Holders should consult their own tax advisors regarding whether they are required to file IRS Form 5471.

A U.S. person (including a tax exempt entity) that purchases the Preference Shares for cash will be required to file an IRS Form 926 or similar form with the IRS if (a) such person owned, directly or by attribution, immediately after the transfer at least 10% by vote or value of the Issuer or (b) if the transfer, when aggregated with all transfers made by such person (or any related person) within the preceding 12 month period, exceeds \$100,000. In the event a U.S. Holder fails to file any such required form, the U.S. Holder could be required to pay a penalty equal to 10% of the gross amount paid for such Preference Shares (subject to a maximum penalty of \$100,000, except in cases involving intentional disregard). U.S. persons should consult their tax advisors with respect to this or any other reporting requirement which may apply with respect to their acquisition of the Preference Shares.

### **Tax Treatment of Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders of Securities**

U.S. Holders which are tax-exempt entities ("**Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders**") will not be subject to the tax on unrelated business taxable income ("**UBTI**") with respect to interest and capital gains income derived from an investment in the Senior Notes or the Class E Notes (assuming that the Class E Notes are treated as debt of the Issuer for U.S. federal income tax purposes). However, a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder that also acquires the Preference Shares (or, if recharacterized as equity in the Issuer for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the Class E Notes) should consider whether interest it receives with respect to the Securities may be treated as UBTI under rules governing certain payments received from controlled entities.

A Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder generally will not be subject to the tax on UBTI with respect to regular distributions or "excess distributions" (defined above under "—Tax Treatment of U.S. Holders of Preference Shares —Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company") on the Preference Shares. A Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder which is not subject to tax on UBTI with respect to "excess distributions" may not make a QEF election. In addition, a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder which is subject to the rules relating to "controlled foreign corporations" with respect to the Preference Shares (or, if recharacterized as equity in the Issuer for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the Class E Notes) generally should not be subject to the tax on UBTI with respect to income from such Preference Shares (or, if recharacterized as equity in the Issuer for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the Class E Notes).

Notwithstanding the discussion in the preceding two paragraphs, a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder which incurs "acquisition indebtedness" (as defined in Section 514(c) of the Code) with respect to the Securities may be subject to the tax on UBTI with respect to income from the Securities to the extent that the Securities constitute "debt-financed property" (as defined in Section 514(b) of the Code) of the Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder. A Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder subject to the tax on UBTI with respect to income from

the Preference Shares (or, if recharacterized as equity in the Issuer for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the Class E Notes) will be taxed on "excess distributions" in the manner discussed above under "—Tax Treatment of U.S. Holders of Preference Shares—Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company". Such a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder will be permitted, and should consider whether, to make a QEF election with respect to the Issuer as discussed above.

Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders should consult their own tax advisors regarding an investment in the Securities.

### **Tax Return Disclosure and Investor List Requirements**

Any person that files a U.S. federal income tax return or U.S. federal information return and participates in a "reportable transaction" in a taxable year is required to disclose certain information on IRS Form 8886 (or its successor form) attached to such person's U.S. tax return for such taxable year (and also file a copy of such form with the IRS's Office of Tax Shelter Analysis) and to retain certain documents related to the transaction. In addition, under these regulations, under certain circumstances, certain organizers and sellers and other advisors with respect to a "reportable transaction" will be required to file reports with the IRS and maintain lists of participants in the transaction containing identifying information, retain certain documents related to the transaction, and furnish those lists and documents to the IRS upon request. There are significant penalties for failure to comply with these disclosure and list keeping requirements. The definition of "reportable transaction" is highly technical. However, in very general terms, a transaction may be a "reportable transaction" if, among other things, it is offered under conditions of confidentiality or it results in the claiming of a loss or losses for U.S. federal income tax purposes in excess of certain threshold amounts.

In this regard, in order to prevent the investors' purchase of Securities in this offering from being treated as offered under conditions of confidentiality, the Servicer, the Issuer and the holders and beneficial owners of the Securities (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) may disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure of the transactions described herein and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to them relating to such U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure. For this purpose, the U.S. tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. tax treatment of the transaction under applicable U.S. federal, state or local tax law, and the U.S. tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. tax treatment of the transaction under applicable U.S. federal, state or local tax law.

If the Issuer participates in a "reportable transaction", a U.S. Holder of Preference Shares that is a "reporting shareholder" of the Issuer will be treated as participating in the transaction and will be subject to the rules described above. Although most of the Issuer's activities generally are not expected to give rise to "reportable transactions", the Issuer nevertheless may participate in certain types of transactions that could be treated as "reportable transactions". A U.S. Holder of Preference Shares will be treated as a "reporting shareholder" of the Issuer if (i) such U.S. Holder owns 10% or more of the Preference Shares and makes a QEF election with respect to the Issuer or (ii) the Issuer is treated as a CFC and such U.S. Holder is a "U.S. Shareholder" (as defined above) of the Issuer. The Issuer will make reasonable efforts to make such information available.

Prospective investors in the Securities should consult their own tax advisors concerning any possible disclosure obligations under these Treasury Regulations with respect to their ownership or disposition of the Securities in light of their particular circumstances.

### **Tax Treatment of Non-U.S. Holders of Securities**

In general, payments on the Securities to a Holder that is not, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a U.S. Holder (a "**Non-U.S. Holder**") and gain realized on the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other disposition of the Securities by a Non-U.S. Holder, will not be subject to U.S. federal income or withholding tax, unless (a) such income is effectively connected with a trade or business conducted by such Non-U.S. Holder in the United States, or (b) in the case of gain, such Non-U.S. Holder is a nonresident alien individual who holds the Securities as a capital asset and is present in the United

States for more than 182 days in the taxable year of the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other disposition of the Securities and certain other conditions are satisfied.

### **Information Reporting and Backup Withholding**

Under certain circumstances, the Code requires "information reporting", and may require "backup withholding", with respect to certain payments made on the Securities and the payment of the proceeds from the disposition of the Securities. Backup withholding generally will not apply to corporations, tax-exempt organizations, qualified pension and profit sharing trusts, and individual retirement accounts. Backup withholding will apply to a U.S. Holder if the U.S. Holder fails to provide certain identifying information (such as the U.S. Holder's taxpayer identification number) or otherwise comply with the applicable requirements of the backup withholding rules. The application for exemption from backup withholding for a U.S. Holder is available by providing a properly completed IRS Form W-9.

A Non-U.S. Holder of the Securities generally will not be subject to these information reporting requirements or backup withholding with respect to payments of interest or distributions on the Securities if (a) it certifies to the Trustee its status as a Non-U.S. Holder under penalties of perjury on the appropriate IRS Form W-8, and (b) in the case of a Non-U.S. Holder that is a "nonwithholding foreign partnership", "foreign simple trust" or "foreign grantor trust" as defined in the applicable U.S. Treasury Regulations under the Code, the beneficial owners of such Non-U.S. Holder also certify their status as Non-U.S. Holders under penalties of perjury on the appropriate IRS Form W-8.

The payments of the proceeds from the disposition of a Security by a Non-U.S. Holder to or through the U.S. office of a broker generally will not be subject to information reporting and backup withholding if the Non-U.S. Holder certifies its status as a Non-U.S. Holder (and, if applicable, its beneficial owners also certify their status as Non-U.S. Holders) under penalties of perjury on the appropriate IRS Form W-8, satisfies certain documentary evidence requirements for establishing that it is a Non-U.S. Holder, or otherwise establishes an exemption. The payment of the proceeds from the disposition of a Security by a Non-U.S. Holder to or through a non-U.S. office of a non-U.S. broker will not be subject to backup withholding or information reporting unless the non-U.S. broker has certain specific types of relationships to the United States, in which case the treatment of such payment for such purposes will be as described in the following sentence. The payment of proceeds from the disposition of a Security by a Non-U.S. Holder to or through a non-U.S. office of a U.S. broker or to or through a non-U.S. broker with certain specific types of relationships to the United States generally will not be subject to backup withholding but will be subject to information reporting unless the Non-U.S. Holder certifies its status as a Non-U.S. Holder (and, if applicable, its beneficial owners also certify their status as Non-U.S. Holders) under penalties of perjury or the broker has certain documentary evidence in its files as to the Non-U.S. Holder's foreign status and the broker has no actual knowledge to the contrary.

Backup withholding is not an additional tax and may be credited against the U.S. Holder's or Non-U.S. Holder's U.S. federal income tax liability, and then refunded to the extent of any excess thereon; provided that certain required information is furnished to the IRS. The information reporting requirements may apply regardless of whether withholding is required.

### **Foreign, State and Local Taxes**

Holders of Securities may be liable for foreign, state and local taxes in the country, state, or locality in which they are resident or doing business. Since the tax laws of each country, state, and locality may differ, each prospective investor should consult its own tax counsel with respect to any taxes other than United States federal income taxes that may be payable as a result of an investment in the Securities.

### **Cayman Islands Taxation**

The following discussion of certain Cayman Islands income tax consequences of an investment in the Securities is based on the advice of Maples and Calder as to Cayman Islands law. The discussion is a general summary of present law, which is subject to prospective and retroactive change. It assumes that the Issuer will conduct its affairs in accordance with assumptions made by and representations made

to, counsel. It is not intended as tax advice, does not consider any investor's particular circumstances, and does not consider tax consequences other than those arising under Cayman Islands law.

Under existing Cayman Islands laws:

- (i) payments of principal and interest on the Notes and dividends and capital in respect of the Preference Shares will not be subject to taxation in the Cayman Islands and no withholding will be required on such payments to any Holder of a Security and gains derived from the sale of Securities will not be subject to Cayman Islands income or corporation tax. The Cayman Islands currently have no income, corporation or capital gains tax and no estate duty, inheritance tax or gift tax;
- (ii) no stamp duty is payable in respect of the issue or transfer of Securities although duty may be payable if Notes are executed in or brought into the Cayman Islands; and
- (iii) certificates evidencing Securities, in registered form, to which title is not transferable by delivery, should not attract Cayman Islands stamp duty. However, an instrument transferring title to a Note or an agreement to transfer Preference Shares, if brought to or executed in the Cayman Islands, would be subject to Cayman Islands stamp duty.

The Issuer has been incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands as an exempted company and, as such, has applied for and expects to obtain an undertaking from the Governor in Cabinet of the Cayman Islands in substantially the following form:

"THE TAX CONCESSIONS LAW  
1999 REVISION  
UNDERTAKING AS TO TAX CONCESSIONS

In accordance with Section 6 of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision) the Governor in Cabinet undertakes with Greenbriar CLO, Ltd. "the Company"

(a) that no law which is hereafter enacted in the Islands imposing any tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations shall apply to the Company or its operations; and

(b) in addition, that no tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations or which is in the nature of estate duty or inheritance tax shall be payable:

(i) on or in respect of the shares, debentures or other obligations of the Company;  
or

(ii) by way of the withholding in whole or part, of any relevant payment as defined in Section 6(3) of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision).

These concessions shall be for a period of TWENTY years from the date on which the undertaking is given. GOVERNOR IN CABINET"

The Cayman Islands does not have an income tax treaty arrangement with the U.S. or any other country.

**THE PRECEDING DISCUSSION IS ONLY A SUMMARY OF CERTAIN OF THE TAX IMPLICATIONS OF AN INVESTMENT IN THE SECURITIES. PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS ARE URGED TO CONSULT WITH THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS PRIOR TO INVESTING TO DETERMINE THE TAX IMPLICATIONS OF SUCH INVESTMENT IN LIGHT OF SUCH INVESTORS' CIRCUMSTANCES.**

## CERTAIN ERISA CONSIDERATIONS

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The advice below was not written and is not intended to be used and cannot be used by any taxpayer for purposes of avoiding United States federal income tax penalties that may be imposed. The advice is written to support the promotion or marketing of the transaction. Each taxpayer should seek advice based on the taxpayer's particular circumstances from an independent tax advisor.

The foregoing disclaimer is provided to satisfy obligations under Circular 230 governing standards of practice before the Internal Revenue Service.

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The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("**ERISA**") imposes certain requirements on "employee benefit plans" (as defined in Section 3(3) of, and that are subject to Title I of ERISA), including entities such as collective investment funds and insurance company separate accounts whose underlying assets include the assets of such plans (collectively, "**ERISA Plans**") and on those persons who are fiduciaries with respect to ERISA Plans. Investments by ERISA Plans are subject to ERISA's general fiduciary requirements, including the requirement of investment prudence and diversification and the requirement that an ERISA Plan's investments be made in accordance with the documents governing the ERISA Plan. The prudence of a particular investment must be determined by the responsible fiduciary of an ERISA Plan by taking into account the ERISA Plan's particular circumstances and all of the facts and circumstances of the investment including, but not limited to, the matters discussed above under "Risk Factors" and the fact that in the future there may be no market in which such fiduciary will be able to sell or otherwise dispose of the Securities.

Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code prohibit certain transactions involving the assets of an ERISA Plan (as well as those plans that are not subject to ERISA but which are subject to Section 4975 of the Code, such as individual retirement accounts (together with ERISA Plans, "**Plans**")) and certain persons (referred to as "**parties in interest**" or "**disqualified persons**") having certain relationships to such Plans, unless a statutory or administrative exemption is applicable to the transaction. A party in interest or disqualified person who engages in a prohibited transaction may be subject to excise taxes and other penalties and liabilities under ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code.

Governmental plans, certain church plans and non-U.S. plans, while not subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA or the provisions of Section 4975 of the Code, may nevertheless be subject to state, local or other federal and non-U.S. laws that are substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code ("**Substantially Similar Law**"). Fiduciaries of any such plans should consult with their counsel before purchasing any Securities.

The U.S. Department of Labor has promulgated regulations, 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 (the "**Plan Asset Regulation**"), describing what constitutes the assets of a Plan with respect to the Plan's investment in an entity for purposes of certain provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code, including the fiduciary responsibility provisions of Title I of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code. Under the Plan Asset Regulation, if a Plan invests in an "equity interest" of an entity that is neither a "publicly offered security" nor a security issued by an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act, the Plan's assets include both the equity interest and an undivided interest in each of the entity's underlying assets, unless it is established that the entity is an "operating company" or, as further discussed below, that equity participation in the entity by "benefit plan investors" is not "significant."

Prohibited transactions within the meaning of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code may arise if Notes are acquired with the assets of a Plan with respect to which the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, the Trustee, the Servicer, any seller of Collateral Obligations to the Issuer and the Co-Issuer or any of their respective Affiliates, is a party in interest or a disqualified person. Certain exemptions from the prohibited transaction provisions of Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code may be applicable, however, depending in part on the type of Plan fiduciary making the decision to acquire a Security and the circumstances under which such decision is made. Included among these exemptions are Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption ("**PTCE**") 91-38 (relating to investments by bank collective investment funds), PTCE 84-14 (relating to transactions effected by independent "qualified

professional asset managers"), PTCE 90-1 (relating to investments by insurance company pooled separate accounts), PTCE 95-60 (relating to investments by insurance company general accounts), and PTCE 96-23 (relating to transactions effected by certain "in-house asset managers") ("**Investor-Based Exemptions**"). There can be no assurance that any of these Investor-Based Exemptions or any other exemption will be available with respect to any particular transaction involving the Securities. There is also a statutory exemption that may be available under Section 408(b)(17) of ERISA and Section 4975(d)(20) of the Code to a party in interest that is a service provider to a Plan investing in the Securities for adequate consideration, provided such service provider is not (i) the fiduciary with respect to the Plan's assets used to acquire the Securities or an affiliate of such fiduciary or (ii) an affiliate of the employer sponsoring the Plan (the "**Service Provider Exemption**"). Adequate consideration means fair market as determined in good faith by the Plan fiduciary pursuant to regulations to be promulgated by the U.S. Department of Labor.

Any Plan fiduciary or other person who proposes to use assets of any Plan to purchase any Securities should consult with its counsel regarding the applicability of the fiduciary responsibility and prohibited transaction provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code to such an investment, and to confirm that such investment will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction or any other violation of an applicable requirement of ERISA.

The sale of any Security to a Plan, or to a person using assets of any Plan to effect its purchase of any Security, is in no respect a representation by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Initial Purchaser or the Servicer that such an investment meets all relevant legal requirements with respect to investments by Plans generally or any particular Plan, or that such an investment is appropriate for Plans generally or any particular Plan.

Any insurance company proposing to invest assets of its general account in Securities should consider the extent to which such investment would be subject to the requirements of Title I of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code in light of the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in *John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co. v. Harris Trust and Savings Bank*, 510 U.S. 86 (1993), and the enactment of Section 401(c) of ERISA on August 20, 1996. In particular, such an insurance company should consider (i) the exemptive relief granted by the U.S. Department of Labor for transactions involving insurance company general accounts in PTCE 95-60 and (ii) if such exemptive relief is not available, whether its purchase of Securities will be permissible under the final regulations issued under Section 401(c) of ERISA. The final regulations provide guidance on which assets held by an insurance company constitute "plan assets" for purposes of the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code. The regulations do not exempt the assets of insurance company general accounts from treatment as "plan assets" to the extent they support certain participating annuities issued to Plans after December 31, 1998.

## **The Senior Notes**

The Plan Asset Regulation define an "equity interest" as any interest in an entity other than an instrument that is treated as indebtedness under applicable local law and which has no substantial equity features. As noted above in Income Tax Considerations, it is the opinion of tax counsel to the Issuer and the Co-Issuer that the Senior Notes will be treated as debt for U.S. income tax purposes. Although there is little guidance on the subject, at the time of their issuance, the Senior Notes should be treated as indebtedness without substantial equity features for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulation. This determination is based in part upon (i) tax counsel's opinion that the Senior Notes will be classified as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes when issued and (ii) the traditional debt features of the Senior Notes, including the reasonable expectation of purchasers of the Senior Notes that they will be repaid when due, as well as the absence of conversion rights, warrants and other typical equity features. Based upon and subject to the foregoing and other considerations, and subject to the considerations described below, the Senior Notes may be purchased by a Plan. Nevertheless, without regard to whether the Senior Notes are considered equity interests, prohibited transactions within the meaning of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code may arise if the Senior Notes are acquired with the assets of an ERISA Plan with respect to which the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Initial Purchaser or the Trustee or, in certain circumstances, any of their respective Affiliates, is a party in interest or a disqualified person. The



Investor-Based Exemptions or the Service Provider Exemption may be available to cover such prohibited transactions.

By the acquisition of any Senior Notes, each purchaser and subsequent transferee thereof, and each fiduciary acting on behalf of the purchaser or subsequent transferee (both in its fiduciary and corporate capacity), will be deemed to have represented and warranted at the time of the purchase or subsequent transfer and throughout the period such Senior Note is held either that (a) such purchaser or subsequent transferee is neither a Plan nor any entity whose underlying assets include "plan assets" (within the meaning of the Plan Asset Regulation) by reason of such Plan's investment in the entity, nor a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan which is subject to any Substantially Similar Law or (b) (i) in connection with the acquisition, holding and disposition of such Senior Note, the purchaser's or subsequent transferee's fiduciary has determined that such purchaser or subsequent transferee is receiving no less, and paying no more, than "adequate consideration" (within the meaning of Section 408(b)(17)(B) of ERISA and Section 4975(f)(10) of the Code) and (ii) the purchase, holding and disposition of a Senior Note by such purchaser or subsequent transferee will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan, a non-exempt violation of any Substantially Similar Law).

Any Plan fiduciary or other person who proposes to use assets of any Plan to purchase any Senior Notes should consult with its counsel regarding the applicability of the fiduciary responsibility and prohibited transaction provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code to such an investment, and to confirm that such investment will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction or any other violation of an applicable requirement of ERISA.

### **The Class E Notes and the Preference Shares**

Equity participation in an issuer of securities by "benefit plan investors" is "significant" and will cause the assets of the Issuer to be deemed the assets of an investing Plan (in the absence of another applicable Plan Asset Regulation exception) if 25% or more of the value of any class of equity interest in the Issuer is held by "benefit plan investors". Recently, the Pension Protection Act of 2006 effectively amended, by statute, the definition of "benefit plan investors" in the Plan Asset Regulation. Employee benefit plans that are not subject to Title I of ERISA and plans that are not subject to Section 4975 of the Code, such as U.S. governmental and most U.S. church plans or non-U.S. plans, are no longer considered "benefit plan investors". Accordingly, only employee benefit plans subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or an entity whose underlying assets include plan assets by reason of such plan's investment in the entity are considered in determining whether investment by "benefit plan investors" represents 25% or more of any class of equity of the Issuer. Hence, the term "benefit plan investor" includes (a) an employee benefit plan (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) that is subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA, (b) a plan as defined in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code, (c) any entity whose underlying assets include "plan assets" by reason of any such employee benefit plan's or plan's investment in the entity or (d) as such term is otherwise defined in any regulations promulgated by the U.S. Department of Labor under Section 3(42) of ERISA (collectively "**Benefit Plan Investors**"). For purposes of making the 25% determination, the value of any equity interests held by a person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) who has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or any person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to such assets, or any Affiliate of such person (each, a "**Controlling Person**"), is disregarded. Under the Plan Asset Regulation, an "affiliate" of a person includes any person, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controlling, controlled by or under common control with the person, and "control" with respect to a person other than an individual, means the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of such person. The Preference Shares and the Class E Notes are considered equity investments for the purposes of applying Title I of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code. Accordingly, purchases and transfers of the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares by Benefit Plan Investors from the Initial Purchaser or the Issuer and any subsequent transferee will be limited to less than 25% of the value of each of all Outstanding Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares by requiring each such purchaser and subsequent transferee to make certain representations and/or to agree to certain transfer restrictions regarding their status as Benefit Plan

Investors or Controlling Persons (the "**25% Limitation**"). Class E Notes or Preference Shares either (i) held as principal by the Servicer, the Trustee, any of their respective affiliates, employees of the Servicer, the Trustee or any of their affiliates and any charitable foundation of any such employees (other than any of such interests held as a Benefit Plan Investor) or (ii) held by persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons (to the extent that such a Controlling Person is not a Benefit Plan Investor), will be disregarded and will not be treated as Outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% Limitation.

With respect to the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares, or any beneficial interest therein, a purchaser or subsequent transferee, and each fiduciary acting on behalf of such purchaser or subsequent transferee (both in its fiduciary and corporate capacity), will be required to represent and warrant, at the time of the acquisition and throughout the period such Class E Note, Class I Preference Share or Class II Preference Share is held, (1) whether or not such purchaser or subsequent transferee is a Benefit Plan Investor, (2) whether or not such purchaser or subsequent transferee is a Controlling Person and (3) (a) if such purchaser or subsequent transferee is a Benefit Plan Investor, (i) in connection with the acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class E Note, Class I Preference Share or Class II Preference Share, the purchaser's or the subsequent transferee's fiduciary has determined that such purchaser or subsequent transferee is receiving no less, and paying no more, than "adequate consideration" (within the meaning of Section 408(b)(17)(B) of ERISA and Section 4975(f)(10) of the Code) and (ii) the purchase, holding and disposition of Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares by such purchaser or subsequent transferee will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or (b) if such purchaser or subsequent transferee is a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan which is subject to any Substantially Similar Law, the purchase, holding and disposition of Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares by such purchaser or subsequent transferee will not constitute or result in non-exempt violation under any such Substantially Similar Law. Any purported transfer of the Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares, or any interest therein, to a purchaser or subsequent transferee that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph will be of no force and effect, shall be null and void *ab initio* and the Issuer will have the right to direct the purchaser to transfer the Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares, or any interest therein, as applicable, to a person who meets the foregoing criteria.

There can be no assurance that, despite the transfer restrictions relating to purchases by Benefit Plan Investors and Controlling Persons and the procedures to be employed by the Issuer to attempt to limit ownership by Benefit Plan Investors of the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares, Benefit Plan Investors will not in actuality own 25% or more of the outstanding Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares.

If for any reason the assets of the Issuer are deemed to be "plan assets" of a Plan subject to ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code because one or more Plans is an owner of Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares (or of a Senior Note characterized as an "equity interest" in the Issuer), certain transactions that the Servicer might enter into, or may have entered into, on behalf of the Issuer in the ordinary course of its business might constitute non-exempt "prohibited transactions" under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code and might have to be rescinded at significant cost to the Issuer. The Servicer could be deemed to be an ERISA fiduciary and may be prevented from engaging in certain investments (as not being deemed consistent with the ERISA prudent investment standards) or engaging in certain transactions or fee arrangements because they might be deemed to cause non-exempt prohibited transactions. It also is not clear that Section 403(a) of ERISA, which limits delegation of investment management responsibilities by fiduciaries of ERISA Plans, would be satisfied.

Any Plan fiduciary or other person who proposes to use assets of any Plan to purchase any Securities should consult with its counsel regarding the applicability of the fiduciary responsibility and prohibited transaction provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code to such an investment, and to confirm that such investment will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction or any other violation of an applicable requirement of ERISA.

The sale of any Security to a Plan, or to a person using assets of any Plan to effect its purchase, is in no respect a representation by the Issuer, the Initial Purchaser or the Servicer that such an investment meets all relevant legal requirements with respect to investments by Plans generally or any particular Plan, or that such an investment is appropriate for Plans generally or any particular Plan.

### PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

The Senior Notes are being offered by the Initial Purchaser, pursuant to a purchase agreement with the Co-Issuers. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Purchase Agreement, the Co-Issuers have agreed to sell, on the Closing Date, and the Initial Purchaser has agreed to purchase, the entire Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Senior Notes. The offering of the Senior Notes by the Initial Purchaser is subject to receipt and acceptance and subject to the Initial Purchaser's right to reject any order in whole or in part. The Class E Notes and the Preference Shares will be purchased directly from the Issuer.

On the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares and all of the Class E Notes and (ii) the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates is expected to purchase all of the Class I Preference Shares. No assurance can be given whether HFP or the Servicer will retain such Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares and/or Class II Preference Shares for any amount of time.

Under the terms and conditions of the Purchase Agreement, the Initial Purchaser is committed to take and pay for all the Senior Notes to be offered by it, if any are taken. Under the terms and conditions of the Purchase Agreement, the Initial Purchaser will be entitled to (i) an underwriting discount on the Senior Notes, and (ii) a fixed structuring fee based upon the aggregate principal or notional amount, as applicable, of the Securities. After the Senior Notes are released for sale, the Initial Purchaser may change the offering price and other selling terms. The Initial Purchaser may allow a concession, not in excess of their respective underwriting discounts, to certain brokers or dealers.

The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act for offer or sale as part of their distribution and may not be offered or sold within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, a U.S. Person or a U.S. resident (as determined for purposes of the Investment Company Act, a "**U.S. Resident**") except in certain transactions exempt from, or not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act.

The Co-Issuers have been advised by the Initial Purchaser that it proposes to resell the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes, in each case outside the United States through its agents to Persons that are not U.S. Persons in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S and in accordance with applicable law. In addition, the Co-Issuers have been advised by Goldman, Sachs & Co. that it proposes to resell the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes to U.S. Persons and in the United States in reliance on Rule 144A under the Securities Act, but only to Qualified Institutional Buyers purchasing for their own accounts or for the accounts of Qualified Institutional Buyers each of which purchasers or accounts is a Qualified Purchaser. The offering price and the Initial Purchaser's underwriting discount will be the same for the Regulation S Global Notes and the Rule 144A Global Notes, as applicable, within each Class of Senior Notes. Any offer or sale of Rule 144A Global Notes in reliance on Rule 144A or another exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act will be made by broker-dealers who are registered as such under the Exchange Act. After the Senior Notes are released for sale, the offering price and other selling terms may from time to time be varied by the Initial Purchaser.

The Issuer proposes to sell the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares to U.S. Persons and in the United States in reliance on Rule 144A under the Securities Act, but only to Qualified Institutional Buyers purchasing for their own accounts or for the accounts of Qualified Institutional Buyers each of which purchasers or accounts is a Qualified Purchaser (or, solely in the case of certain Holders purchasing Class E Notes on the Closing Date, institutional Accredited Investors (as defined in clause (1), (2), (3) or (7) of Rule 501(a) under Regulation D under the Securities Act which are Qualified Purchasers).

The Initial Purchaser has acknowledged and agreed that it will not offer, sell or deliver any Senior Notes sold pursuant to Regulation S to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. Person or a U.S. Resident as part of its distribution at any time and that the Initial Purchaser will send to each distributor, dealer or person receiving a selling concession, fee or other remuneration to which it sells Senior Notes pursuant to Regulation S a confirmation or other notice setting forth the prohibition on offers and sales of Senior Notes sold pursuant to Regulation S within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. Person or a U.S. Resident.

With respect to the Senior Notes initially sold pursuant to Regulation S, until the expiration of 40 days after the commencement of the distribution of the offering of Senior Notes by the Initial Purchaser, an offer or sale of such Senior Notes within the United States by a dealer that is not participating in the offering may violate the registration requirements of the Securities Act if such offer or sale is made otherwise than in accordance with Rule 144A or pursuant to another exemption from registration under the Securities Act.

In connection with the issue of the Senior Notes, the Initial Purchaser (the "**Stabilising Manager**") (or persons acting on behalf of the Stabilising Manager) may over-allot Senior Notes (provided that the aggregate principal amount of Senior Notes allotted does not exceed 105 per cent. of the aggregate principal amount of the Senior Notes) or effect transactions with a view to supporting the market price of the Senior Notes at a level higher than that which might otherwise prevail. However, there is no assurance that the Stabilising Manager (or persons acting on behalf of the Stabilising Manager) will undertake stabilisation action. Any stabilisation action may begin on or after the Closing Date and, if begun, may be ended at any time, but it must end no later than the earlier of 30 days after the issue date of the Senior Notes and 60 days after the date of the allotment of the Senior Notes.

The Initial Purchaser has agreed that it has not made and will not make any invitation to the public in the Cayman Islands to purchase any of the Senior Notes.

Buyers of Senior Notes pursuant to Regulation S sold by Goldman Sachs International, as the agent of Goldman, Sachs & Co., may be required to pay stamp taxes and other charges in accordance with the laws and practice of the country of purchase in addition to the offering price set forth on the cover page hereof.

No action has been or will be taken in any jurisdiction that would permit a public offering of the Securities, or the possession, circulation or distribution of this Offering Memorandum or any other material relating to the Co-Issuers or the Securities, in any jurisdiction where action for such purpose is required. Accordingly, the Securities may not be offered or sold, directly or indirectly, and neither this Offering Memorandum nor any other offering material or advertisements in connection with the Securities may be distributed or published, in or from any country or jurisdiction except under circumstances that will result in compliance with any applicable rules and regulations of any such country or jurisdiction.

The Securities are a new issue of securities with no established trading market. The Co-Issuers have been advised by Goldman, Sachs & Co. that Goldman, Sachs & Co. intends to make a market in the Senior Notes but Goldman, Sachs & Co. is not obligated to do so and may discontinue market making at any time without notice. No assurance can be given as to the liquidity of the trading market for the Securities.

Material portions of certain Classes of Securities may be purchased by other structured vehicles, which may result in less liquidity in such Classes in the secondary market.

Application will be made to the Irish Financial Services Regulatory Authority, as competent authority under the Prospectus Directive for this Offering Memorandum to be approved. Application has been made for the Senior Notes to be admitted to the *Official List* of the Irish Stock Exchange and to trading on its regulated market. There can be no assurance that such listing will be approved or maintained.

The Co-Issuers have agreed to indemnify the Initial Purchaser, the Administrator and the Trustee against certain liabilities, including, but not limited to, liabilities under the Securities Act, or to contribute to

payments they may be required to make in respect thereof. In addition, the Co-Issuers have agreed to reimburse the Initial Purchaser for certain of its expenses.

## **SETTLEMENT AND CLEARING**

### **Book Entry Registration of the Global Notes**

So long as the Depository, or its nominee, is the registered owner or Holder of a Global Note, the Depository or the nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the sole owner or Holder of the Senior Notes represented by a Global Note for all purposes under the Indenture, the Issuer Charter and the Global Notes, and members of, or participants in, the Depository as well as any other persons on whose behalf the participants may act (including Clearstream and Euroclear and account holders and participants therein) will have no rights under the Indenture, the Issuer Charter or a Global Note. Owners of beneficial interests in a Global Note will not be considered to be owners or Holders of the related Senior Note under the Indenture or the Issuer Charter. Unless the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for a Global Note or ceases to be a "clearing agency" registered under the Exchange Act, owners of a beneficial interest in a Global Note will not be entitled to have any portion of a Global Note registered in their names, will not receive or be entitled to receive physical delivery of Senior Notes in certificated form and will not be considered to be the owners or Holders of any Senior Notes under the Indenture. In addition, no beneficial owner of an interest in a Global Note will be able to transfer that interest except in accordance with the Depository's applicable procedures (in addition to those under the Indenture and, if applicable, those of Euroclear and Clearstream).

Investors may hold their interests in a Regulation S Global Note directly through Clearstream or Euroclear, if they are participants in Clearstream or Euroclear, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in Clearstream or Euroclear. Clearstream and Euroclear will hold interests in the Regulation S Global Notes on behalf of their participants through their respective depositories, which in turn will hold the interests in Regulation S Global Notes in customers' securities accounts in the depositories' names on the books of the Depository. Investors may hold their interests in a Rule 144A Global Note directly through the Depository if they are participants in the Depository, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in the Depository.

Payments of principal of, or interest or other distributions on a Global Note will be made to the Depository or its nominee, as the registered owner thereof. The Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the paying agents, the Initial Purchaser, the Servicer and their respective Affiliates will not have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests in a Global Note or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to the beneficial ownership interests.

The Co-Issuers expect that the Depository or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment of principal, interest, or other distributions in respect of a Global Note representing any Senior Notes, as the case may be, held by it or its nominee, will immediately credit participants' accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the stated aggregate principal amount or number of a Global Note for the Senior Notes, as shown on the records of the Depository or its nominee. The Co-Issuers also expect that payments by participants to owners of beneficial interests in a Global Note held through the participants will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers registered in the names of nominees for those customers. The payments will be the responsibility of the participants.

### **Global Note Settlement Procedures**

Transfers between the participants in the Depository will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with the Depository rules and will be settled in immediately available funds. The laws of some states require that certain persons take physical delivery of securities in definitive form. Consequently, the ability to transfer beneficial interests in a Global Note to these persons may be limited. Because the Depository can only act on behalf of participants, who in turn act on behalf of indirect participants and certain banks, the ability of a person holding a beneficial interest in a Global Note to

pledge its interest to persons or entities that do not participate in the Depository system, or otherwise take actions in respect of its interest, may be affected by the lack of a physical certificate of the interest. Transfers between participants in Euroclear and Clearstream will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with their respective rules and operating procedures.

Subject to compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Securities described above and under "Transfer Restrictions," cross-market transfers between the Depository, on the one hand, and directly or indirectly through Euroclear or Clearstream participants, on the other, will be effected in the Depository in accordance with the Depository rules on behalf of Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, by its respective depository; *however*, the cross-market transactions will require delivery of instructions to Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, by the counterparty in the system in accordance with its rules and procedures and within its established deadlines (Brussels time). Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, will if the transaction meets its settlement requirements, deliver instructions to its respective depository to take action to effect final settlement on its behalf by delivering or receiving interests in a Senior Note represented by a Regulation S Global Note in the Depository and making or receiving payment in accordance with normal procedures for same-day funds settlement applicable to the Depository. Clearstream participants and Euroclear participants may not deliver instructions directly to the depositories of Clearstream or Euroclear.

Because of time zone differences, cash received in Euroclear or Clearstream as a result of sales of interests in a Regulation S Global Note by or through a Euroclear or Clearstream participant to the Depository participant will be received with value on the Depository settlement date but will be available in the relevant Euroclear or Clearstream cash account only as of the business day following settlement in the Depository.

The Depository has advised the Issuer that it will take any action permitted to be taken by a Holder of Securities (including the presentation of Securities for exchange as described above) only at the direction of one or more participants in the Depository to whose account with the Depository interests in the Securities are credited and only in respect of the portion of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities as to which the participant or participants has or have given the direction.

The Depository has advised the Issuer as follows: The Depository is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the UCC and a "Clearing Agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. The Depository was created to hold securities for its participants and facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of its participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates. Participants in the Depository include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations and may include certain other organizations. Indirect access to the Depository system is available to others such as banks, brokers, dealers, and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a participant, either directly or indirectly.

Although the Depository, Clearstream and Euroclear have agreed to the foregoing procedures to facilitate transfers of interests in Regulation S Global Notes among participants of the Depository, Clearstream and Euroclear, they are under no obligation to perform or continue to perform the procedures, and the procedures may be discontinued at any time. Neither the Co-Issuers nor the Trustee will have any responsibility for the performance by the Depository, Clearstream, or Euroclear or their respective participants or indirect participants of their respective obligations under the rules and procedures governing their operations.

### **TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS**

Because of the following restrictions, purchasers are advised to consult legal counsel prior to making any offer, resale, pledge or transfer of the Securities. Purchasers of Senior Notes represented by an interest in a Regulation S Global Note are advised that such interests are not transferable to U.S. Persons at any time except in accordance with the following restrictions.

Each prospective purchaser of Securities that is a U.S. Person or is purchasing the Securities in a non-Offshore Transaction (a "**U.S. Offeree**"), by accepting delivery of this Offering Memorandum, will be deemed to have represented and agreed as follows:

(1) The U.S. Offeree acknowledges that this Offering Memorandum is personal to the U.S. Offeree and does not constitute an offer to any other person or to the public generally to subscribe for or otherwise acquire the Securities other than pursuant to transactions exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act or in Offshore Transactions in accordance with Regulation S. Distribution of this Offering Memorandum to any person other than the U.S. Offeree and those persons, if any, retained to advise the U.S. Offeree with respect thereto, and other persons that are, (a) in the case of the Senior Notes, Qualified Institutional Buyers or non-U.S. Persons or, (b) in the case of the Class E Notes or the Preference Shares, Qualified Institutional Buyers, is unauthorized and any disclosure of any of its contents, without the prior written consent of the Co-Issuers, is prohibited.

(2) The U.S. Offeree agrees to make no photocopies of this Offering Memorandum or any documents referred to herein and, if the U.S. Offeree does not purchase the Securities or the offering is terminated, to return this Offering Memorandum and all documents referred to herein to the Initial Purchaser at One New York Plaza, New York, New York 10004.

Under the Indenture (with respect to the Co-Issuers) and the Preference Share Documents (with respect to the Issuer), the Co-Issuers or the Issuer will agree to comply with the requirements of Rule 144A relative to the dissemination of information to prospective purchasers in the secondary market. See "Available Information."

The Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act and, (a) in the case of the Senior Notes, may not be offered or sold in non-Offshore Transactions or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. Persons, except to Qualified Institutional Buyers in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act who are also Qualified Purchasers and, (b) in the case of the Class E Notes or the Preference Shares, may only be offered or sold to Qualified Institutional Buyers (or, solely in the case of certain Holders purchasing Class E Notes on the Closing Date, Institutional Accredited Investors) in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act who are also Qualified Purchasers.

Any purported transfer of a Security not in accordance with this section shall be null and void and shall not be given effect for any purpose hereunder.

#### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes**

Each purchaser of a beneficial interest in Senior Notes represented by a Rule 144A Global Note will be deemed to represent and agree (on its own behalf, or if the purchaser is acquiring the Senior Notes for any account, on behalf of each such account) (and each transferee of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will be deemed to represent and agree) (and in the case of paragraph (13), each fiduciary acting on behalf of a purchaser or a transferee (both in its fiduciary and corporate capacity) will be deemed to represent and agree) as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A or Regulation S are used herein as defined therein):

(1) (A) The purchaser is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser, (B) the purchaser is purchasing the Senior Notes for its own account or the account of another Qualified Purchaser that is also a Qualified Institutional Buyer as to which the purchaser exercises sole investment discretion, (C) the purchaser and any such account is acquiring the Senior Notes as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (D) the purchaser and any such account was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Senior Notes (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (E) to the extent the purchaser (or any account for which it is purchasing the Senior Notes) is a private investment company formed on or before April 30, 1996, the purchaser and each such account has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (F) the purchaser is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (G) the purchaser is

not a pension, profit-sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants or affiliates may designate the particular investment to be made, (H) the purchaser agrees that it and each such account shall not hold such Senior Notes for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Senior Notes or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the distributions on the Senior Notes (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (I) the Senior Notes purchased directly or indirectly by the purchaser or any account for which it is purchasing the Senior Notes constitute an investment of no more than 40% of the purchaser's and each such account's assets (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (J) the purchaser and each such account is purchasing the Senior Notes in a principal amount of not less than the minimum denomination requirement for the purchaser and each such account, (K) the purchaser will provide notice of the transfer restrictions set forth in the Indenture (including the exhibits thereto) to any transferee of its Senior Notes and (L) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Senior Notes to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph (1) shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(2) The purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Senior Notes, and the purchaser, and any account for which it is acting, are each able to bear the economic risk of the purchaser's or its investment.

(3) The purchaser understands that the Senior Notes are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Senior Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein, such Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the applicable legend in respect of such Senior Notes set forth in (6) below and the restrictions set forth in the Indenture. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Co-Issuers, the Servicer or the Initial Purchaser as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Senior Notes.

(4) The purchaser is not purchasing the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Senior Notes involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of its entire investment in the Senior Notes under certain circumstances. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Co-Issuers, the Senior Notes and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchaser.

(5) In connection with the purchase of Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Servicer by any Affiliate of or account serviced by the Servicer): (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for the purchaser, (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates other than in the Offering Memorandum and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other person) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal,



regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of the Senior Notes or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the Indenture) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein reflect those in relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) if the purchaser is acting for the account of another investor, the purchaser represents that the investment on behalf of such account is based on a determination that the investment is suitable based on the risks referred to in this Offering Memorandum (including, without limitation, the "Risk Factors" and the "Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes"), given the investment objectives of the account for which the purchase is being made, and that the investment is consistent with any applicable legal requirements; (vii) the purchaser is purchasing the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (viii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

(6) (i) The purchaser understands that the Senior Notes offered to Qualified Institutional Buyers in reliance on the exemption from the registration requirements under the Securities Act provided by Rule 144A (a) will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Co-Issuers determine otherwise in accordance with applicable law, (b) will be represented by one or more Rule 144A Global Notes, and (c) may not at any time be resold, pledged or transferred to U.S. Persons that are not Qualified Institutional Buyers and Qualified Purchasers. Before any interest in a Rule 144A Global Note may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a Person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note, the transferor will be required to provide the Trustee with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), AND THE CO-ISSUERS HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE "INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT"). THE PURCHASER HEREOF, BY PURCHASING THIS NOTE, AGREES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CO-ISSUERS THAT THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN MAY BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, ONLY (A)(1) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT SO LONG AS THIS NOTE IS ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A OR (2) TO A NON-U.S. PERSON IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION COMPLYING WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND, IN CASE OF CLAUSE (1), TO A PURCHASER THAT (W) IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WITH EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER), (X) TO THE EXTENT THE PURCHASER (OR ANY ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS PURCHASING THE NOTES) IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS, (Y) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS, AND (Z) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE, (B) IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN U.S.\$250,000 FOR THE PURCHASER AND FOR EACH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS ACTING AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE STATES OF THE UNITED STATES. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THIS

NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS TRANSFEREE. EACH PURCHASER OF THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE CO-ISSUERS, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE CO-ISSUERS MAINTAIN THE RIGHT TO RESELL NOTES OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED U.S. HOLDERS (AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE INDENTURE.

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

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE AND ANY PAYING AGENT WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR SUCCESSOR APPLICABLE FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE U.S. INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE"), OR AN APPLICABLE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR SUCCESSOR APPLICABLE FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THIS NOTE.

BY THE ACQUISITION OF A CLASS A NOTE, A CLASS B NOTE, A CLASS C NOTE OR A CLASS D NOTE, EACH PURCHASER AND SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE, AND EACH FIDUCIARY ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE (BOTH IN ITS FIDUCIARY AND CORPORATE CAPACITY), WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE REPRESENTED, WARRANTED AND AGREED, WITH RESPECT TO EACH DAY SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE HOLDS SUCH NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN, EITHER THAT (A) SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE IS NOT AN "EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN" AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(3) OF THE UNITED STATES EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA"), THAT IS SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA, A "PLAN" AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE") AND SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, AN ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE "PLAN ASSETS" PURSUANT TO 29 C.F.R. SECTION 2510.3-101 OR OTHERWISE OR A GOVERNMENTAL, CHURCH, NON-U.S. OR OTHER PLAN WHICH IS SUBJECT TO ANY FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL OR NON-U.S. LAW THAT IS SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE ("SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR LAW") OR (B) (1) IN CONNECTION WITH THE ACQUISITION, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF SUCH NOTE, SUCH PURCHASER'S OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE'S FIDUCIARY HAS DETERMINED THAT SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE IS RECEIVING NO LESS, AND PAYING NO MORE, THAN "ADEQUATE CONSIDERATION" (WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 408(b)(17)(B) OF ERISA AND SECTION 4975(f)(10) OF THE CODE) AND (2) SUCH PURCHASER'S OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE'S ACQUISITION, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF THIS NOTE WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE OR, IN THE CASE OF A GOVERNMENTAL, CHURCH, NON-U.S. OR OTHER PLAN, A VIOLATION OF ANY SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR LAW. ANY PURPORTED TRANSFER OF

THIS NOTE TO A PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE THAT DOES NOT COMPLY WITH THE ABOVE REQUIREMENTS SHALL BE NULL AND VOID *AB INITIO*.

(ii) In addition, each Regulation S Global Note representing any Senior Note will contain the following additional legend:

EACH TRANSFEREE OF THE NOTE REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL, IF REQUIRED BY THE INDENTURE, BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE INDENTURE OR WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE.

(7) The purchaser will provide notice to each person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Senior Notes of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Indenture, including the exhibits referenced therein.

(8) The purchaser understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein who is a U.S. Person and who is determined not to have been both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser at the time of acquisition of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein to sell such interest, or to sell such interest on behalf of such purchaser, to a person that is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A or to a person that is a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S.

(9) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Senior Notes, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase Senior Notes from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell such Senior Note to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(10) The purchaser understands that the Stated Maturity of the Senior Notes is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

(11) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Co-Issuers that would permit a public offering of the Senior Notes in any jurisdiction. The purchaser further acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Co-Issuers that would permit possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Senior Notes in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the offering memorandum relating to the Senior Notes shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Senior Notes in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

(12) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

(13) In the case of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes, on each day from the date on which such purchaser or transferee acquires such purchaser's or transferee's interest in such Notes through and including the date on which such purchaser or transferee disposes of such purchaser's or transferee's interest in such Notes either that (A) such purchaser or transferee is neither a Plan nor an entity whose underlying assets include "plan assets" by reason of such Plan's investment in the entity, nor a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan which is subject to any Substantially Similar Law or (B) (1) in connection with the acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class A Note, Class B Note, Class C Note or Class D Note, the purchaser's or transferee's fiduciary has determined that such

purchaser or transferee is receiving no less, and paying no more, than "adequate consideration" (within the meaning of Section 408(b)(17)(B) of ERISA and Section 4975(f)(10) of the Code) and (2) such purchaser's or transferee's acquisition, holding and disposition of such Notes will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan, a violation of any Substantially Similar Law). Any purported purchase or transfer of the Senior Notes to a purchaser or transferee that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph (13) shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(14) The purchaser understands that the Co-Issuers may receive a list of participants holding positions in its securities from one or more book-entry depositories.

(15) The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Senior Notes or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Indenture, to which provisions the purchaser hereby agrees it is subject.

(16) The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

(17) The beneficial owner will agree to treat the Senior Notes as unconditional debt of the Issuer for tax, accounting and financial reporting purposes.

(18) To the extent required, as determined by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Trustee, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Senior Notes to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the USA PATRIOT Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Senior Note to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

(19) The purchaser understands that, to the extent required, as determined by the Co-Issuers, the Co-Issuers may amend the Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer only, the Preference Share Documents, without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders of the Securities that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7 if, at any time following the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers elect to rely on exclusion from the definition of "investment company" under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7).

(20) The purchaser understands that the Issuer may enter into amendments or modifications to the Servicing Agreement without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities.

(21) The purchaser agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

(22) The purchaser acknowledges that the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Trustee and the Initial Purchaser. If the purchaser is acquiring any Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein as a fiduciary or agent for one or more institutional accounts, it represents that it has sole investment discretion with respect to each such account and it has full power to make the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements on behalf of such account.

### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Regulation S Global Notes**

Each purchaser of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note will be further deemed (and each transferee of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note will be required or deemed) (and in the case of paragraph (13) above in "—Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes", each fiduciary acting on behalf of a purchaser or a transferee (both in its fiduciary and corporate capacity)), in addition to making the representations set forth in paragraphs (3), (4), (5) and (7) through (22) above in "—Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes," to represent and agree as follows:

The purchaser is aware that the Senior Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or any other applicable state securities law and the sale of such Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Regulation S and understands that the Senior Notes offered in reliance on Regulation S will bear the appropriate legend set forth in paragraph (6) above in "—Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes" and will be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Notes. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchaser as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any other jurisdiction for resale of the Senior Notes. The purchaser and each beneficial owner of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein that it holds is not, and will not be, a U.S. Person as defined in Regulation S and its purchase of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located and will be in a principal amount of not less than U.S.\$250,000. The purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein, and it, and any accounts for which it is acting are each able to bear the economic risk of its investment. Before any interest in a Regulation S Global Note may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note, the transferor and the transferee will be required to provide the Trustee with written certifications as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Class E Notes**

Each purchaser of Class E Notes acquiring such Class E Notes in the initial offering will be required to enter into a Subscription Agreement with the Issuer (or otherwise provides the Issuer with a certification) pursuant to which each such purchaser will be required to represent and agree (and each subsequent transferee will be required to represent and agree) (and in the case of paragraph (23), each fiduciary acting on behalf of a purchaser or a subsequent transferee (both in its fiduciary and corporate capacity) will be required to represent and agree), on its own behalf as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A are used herein as defined therein):

(1) The purchaser is a Qualified Institutional Buyer (or, solely in the case of certain purchasers purchasing Class E Notes on the Closing Date, an Institutional Accredited Investor) and is aware that the sale of Class E Notes to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements provided by Section 4(2) and is acquiring the Class E Notes for its own account (and not for the account of any family or other trust, any family member or any other person). In addition, the purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Class E Notes, and the purchaser is able to bear the economic risk of the purchaser's investment.

(2) The purchaser understands that the Class E Notes are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Class E Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Class E Notes, such Class E Notes may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the legend in respect of such Class E Notes set forth in (7) below and the restrictions set forth in the Indenture. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Issuer, the Servicer or the Initial Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Class E Notes.

(3) The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Class E Notes or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Indenture, to which provisions the purchaser agrees it is subject.

(4) The purchaser is not purchasing the Class E Notes with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that the Class E Notes will be highly illiquid and are not suitable for short-term trading. The Class E Notes are a leveraged investment in the Collateral Obligations that may expose the Class E Notes to disproportionately large changes in value. Payments in respect of the Class E Notes are not guaranteed as they are dependent on the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Class E Notes involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of all or a substantial part of its investment. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Issuer, the Class E Notes and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Class E Notes, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Issuer and the Initial Purchaser.

(5) In connection with the purchase of Class E Notes (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Servicer by any Affiliate of or account serviced by the Servicer): (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for the purchaser; (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates other than in the Offering Memorandum and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other Person or documentation for the Class E Notes) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of the Class E Notes or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the documentation for the Class E Notes) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Class E Notes reflect those in relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) the purchaser is purchasing the Class E Notes with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (vii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

(6) (A) The purchaser is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer (or, solely in the case of certain purchasers purchasing Class E Notes on the Closing Date, an Institutional Accredited Investor) and (b) a Qualified Purchaser, (B) the purchaser is acquiring the Class E Notes as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (C) the purchaser was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Class E Notes (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser is a Qualified Purchaser), (D) to the extent the purchaser is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, the purchaser has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (E) the purchaser is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (F) the purchaser is not a pension, profit-sharing or other retirement trust fund

or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants or affiliates may designate the particular investment to be made, (G) the purchaser agrees that it shall not hold such Class E Notes for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Class E Notes or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or other distributions on the Class E Notes (except when each such other Person is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (b) a Qualified Purchaser) and (H) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Class E Notes to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(7) The purchaser understands that the Class E Notes (A) will be represented by either one or more Class E Note certificates which will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Issuer determines otherwise in accordance with applicable law, and (B) may only be resold, pledged or transferred to Persons who are both (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers and (ii) Qualified Purchasers. The purchaser understands that before the Class E Notes may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred, the transferee will be required to provide the Trustee and the Issuer with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE "INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT"). THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER ("QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER") WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT (OR, SOLELY IN THE CASE OF CERTAIN PURCHASERS PURCHASING THE NOTES ON THE CLOSING DATE, AN INSTITUTIONAL INVESTOR AS DEFINED IN CLAUSES (1), (2), (3) OR (7) OF RULE 501(a) UNDER REGULATION D OF THE SECURITIES ACT) PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT (IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE NOTES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A) WHO IS ALSO A QUALIFIED PURCHASER ("QUALIFIED PURCHASER") WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER) AND THAT (1) HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (2) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS AND (3) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE, (B) IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN U.S.\$250,000 FOR THE PURCHASER AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY BE PURCHASED BY OR TRANSFERRED TO A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR CONTROLLING PERSON (EACH AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE) ONLY UPON THE SATISFACTION OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID *AB INITIO*, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFeree, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL ANY NOTES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS OR NON-PERMITTED BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS (AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE INDENTURE.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER AND ANY PAYING AGENT, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE SERVICER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY.

EACH PURCHASER AND EACH SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE (AND EACH FIDUCIARY ACTING ON BEHALF OF SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE (BOTH IN ITS FIDUCIARY AND CORPORATE CAPACITY) OF THIS CLASS E NOTE WILL BE REQUIRED TO REPRESENT, WITH RESPECT TO EACH DAY SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE HOLDS SUCH CLASS E NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN, (1) WHETHER OR NOT SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE IS (A) AN "EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN" (AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(3) OF TITLE I OF THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA")) SUBJECT TO THE FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITY PROVISIONS OF ERISA, A "PLAN" AS DEFINED IN SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE") THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, ANY ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE "PLAN ASSETS" BY REASON OF SUCH EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN'S OR PLAN'S INVESTMENT IN THE ENTITY OR A "BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR" AS SUCH TERM IS OTHERWISE DEFINED IN ANY REGULATIONS PROMULGATED BY THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR UNDER SECTION 3(42) OF ERISA (COLLECTIVELY, "BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS") OR (B) A PERSON (OTHER THAN A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR) WHO HAS DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY OR CONTROL WITH RESPECT TO THE ASSETS OF THE ISSUER OR ANY PERSON WHO PROVIDES INVESTMENT ADVICE FOR A FEE (DIRECT OR INDIRECT) WITH RESPECT TO SUCH ASSETS, OR ANY AFFILIATE OF SUCH A PERSON AND (2) (A) (I) IF SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE IS A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR, (1) IN CONNECTION WITH THE ACQUISITION, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF SUCH CLASS E NOTE, THE PURCHASER'S OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE'S FIDUCIARY HAS DETERMINED THAT SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE IS RECEIVING NO LESS, AND PAYING NO MORE, THAN "ADEQUATE CONSIDERATION" (WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 408(b)(17)(B) OF ERISA AND SECTION 4975(f)(10) OF THE CODE) AND (II) SUCH PURCHASER'S OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE'S ACQUISITION, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF CLASS E NOTES WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE OR (B) IF SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE IS A GOVERNMENTAL, CHURCH, NON-U.S. OR OTHER PLAN WHICH IS SUBJECT TO ANY FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL OR NON-U.S. LAW THAT IS SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE PROVISIONS OF TITLE I OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, SUCH PURCHASER'S OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE'S ACQUISITION, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF CLASS E NOTES WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT VIOLATION UNDER ANY SUCH SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR LAW AND (3) SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE WILL NOT SELL OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER ANY SUCH CLASS E NOTES OR INTERESTS THEREIN TO ANY PERSON WHO IS UNABLE TO SATISFY THE SAME FOREGOING REPRESENTATION AND WARRANTIES. NO TRANSFER OF ANY INTEREST IN THIS CLASS E NOTE WILL BE EFFECTIVE, AND THE TRUSTEE WILL NOT RECOGNIZE ANY SUCH TRANSFER IF IT WOULD RESULT IN 25% OR MORE OF THE VALUE OF THE CLASS E NOTES BEING HELD BY BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS. EACH PURCHASER AND EACH SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE OF THIS CLASS E NOTE WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. ANY PURPORTED TRANSFER OF A BENEFICIAL INTEREST IN A CLASS E NOTE IN VIOLATION OF THE REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN THIS PARAGRAPH WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, SHALL BE NULL AND VOID *AB INITIO* AND THE ISSUER WILL HAVE THE RIGHT TO DIRECT THE PURCHASER OR THE SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE TO TRANSFER THE CLASS E NOTE, OR ANY INTEREST THEREIN, AS APPLICABLE, TO A PERSON WHO MEETS THE FOREGOING CRITERIA.



EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE INDENTURE.

(8) The purchaser will provide notice to each Person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Class E Notes of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Indenture, including the exhibits referenced in the Indenture.

(9) The purchaser understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Class E Notes who is determined not to have been (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer (with the exception of a purchaser purchasing Class E Notes on the Closing Date that is an Institutional Accredited Investor) and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, at the time of acquisition of the Class E Notes to sell such Class E Notes, or to sell such Class E Notes on behalf of such purchaser, to a Person that is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act.

(10) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Class E Notes. The purchaser further acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Securities in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the offering memorandum relating to the Class E Notes shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Class E Notes in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

(11) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Class E Notes, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase Class E Notes from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell such Class E Notes to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(12) The purchaser understands that the Stated Maturity of the Class E Notes is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

(13) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Class E Notes by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

(14) The beneficial owner will agree to treat, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, (a) the Preference Shares as equity of the Issuer, (b) the Notes as indebtedness of the Issuer and (c) the Issuer as a corporation. The beneficial owner will be deemed to have acknowledged that the Issuer is not authorized to engage in activities that could cause it to constitute a finance or lending business for U.S. federal income tax purposes and agrees that it will report its investment in the Notes consistent with such limitation.

(15) Each purchaser and each subsequent transferee of Class E Notes that (i) is not a "United States person" (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) and (ii) is acquiring, directly or in conjunction with affiliates, more than 33 1/3% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class E Notes will make a representation to the effect that it is not an Affected Bank.

(16) To the extent required, as determined by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Trustee and the Indenture Registrar, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Class E Notes to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001

(the USA PATRIOT Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Class E Note to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

(17) The purchaser agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

(18) The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

(19) The beneficial owner will agree to treat the Class E Notes as unconditional debt of the Issuer for tax, accounting and financial reporting purposes.

(20) The purchaser understands that, prior to any sale or other transfer of any interest in Class E Notes, it (or the transferee, as applicable) will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Trustee a duly executed transfer certificate substantially in the form provided in the Indenture and such other certificates and other information as they may reasonably require to confirm that the proposed transfer complies with the restrictions in the legend placed on each certificate representing the Class E Notes and in the Indenture.

(21) The purchaser understands that, to the extent required, as determined by the Co-Issuers, the Co-Issuers may amend the Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer only, the Preference Share Documents, without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders of the Securities that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7 if, at any time following the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers elect to rely on exclusion from the definition of "investment company" under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7).

(22) The purchaser understands that the Issuer may enter into amendments or modifications to the Servicing Agreement without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities.

(23) (a) The purchaser or the subsequent transferee is (or is not, as applicable) a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person. No Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person will be permitted to purchase Class E Notes, unless such purchaser's or subsequent transferee's acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class E Notes, (x) will not cause participation by Benefit Plan Investors to be "significant" within the meaning of the Plan Asset Regulation and (y) (1) in connection with the acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class E Note, the purchaser's or subsequent transferee's fiduciary has determined that such purchaser or subsequent transferee is receiving no less, and paying no more, than "adequate consideration" (within the meaning of Section 408(b)(17)(B) of ERISA and Section 4975(f)(10) of the Code) and (2) such purchaser's or subsequent transferee's acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class E Notes will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code. If the purchaser or the subsequent transferee is a governmental, church or other plan that is subject to any Substantially Similar Law, such purchaser or subsequent transferee shall represent and warrant that such purchaser's or subsequent transferee's acquisition, holding and disposition of a Class E Note will not constitute or result in a non-exempt violation under any such Substantially Similar Law.

(b) In determining whether participation by Benefit Plan Investors is "significant", Class E Notes beneficially held by (1) the Servicer, the Trustee, any of their respective Affiliates, employees of the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates and any charitable foundation of any such employees or (2) persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons, will be disregarded and will not be treated as Outstanding for purposes of whether participation by Benefit Plan Investors is "significant" to the extent that persons listed in (1) or (2) are not Benefit Plan Investors.

(c) The purchaser or the subsequent transferee acknowledges that a transfer of the Class E Notes will not be permitted, and no such transfer or exchange will be registered under the Indenture, to the extent that the transfer or exchange would result in Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class E Notes immediately after such transfer or exchange (determined in accordance with the Plan Asset Regulation and the Indenture).

(24) If any Person shall become the beneficial owner of an interest in a Class E Note, a Class I Preference Share or a Class II Preference Share who has made a Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person representation that is subsequently shown to be false or misleading or whose beneficial ownership otherwise causes a violation of the 25% Limitation (any such person a **"Non-Permitted ERISA Holder"**), the Issuer shall, promptly after discovery that such person is a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee (and notice by the Trustee or the Co-Issuer to the Issuer, if either of them makes the discovery), send notice to such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder demanding that such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder transfer its interest to a person that is not a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder within 14 days of the date of such notice. If such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder fails to so transfer its Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares, the Issuer shall have the right, without further notice to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder, to sell (and shall sell if directed to do so by the Servicer) such Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares or interest in such Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares, to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is not a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder on such terms as the Issuer may choose. The Issuer, or the Trustee acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting one or more bids from one or more brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares and selling such Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares to the highest such bidder. However, the Issuer or the Trustee may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Class E Note, Class I Preference Share or Class II Preference Share, the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder, by its acceptance of an interest in the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares, agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Trustee to effect such transfers. The proceeds of such sale, net of any commissions, expenses and taxes due in connection with such sale shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder. The terms and conditions of any sale under this subsection shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer, and none of the Issuer, the Servicer or the Trustee shall be liable to any Person having an interest in the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of such discretion (including for the price of such sale).

(25) The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Class E Notes are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee and the Initial Purchaser.

### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Preference Shares**

Each initial purchaser of Preference Shares acquiring such Preference Shares from the Issuer in the initial offering will be required to enter into a Subscription Agreement with the Issuer pursuant to which each such initial purchaser will be required to represent and agree (and each subsequent transferee will be required to represent and agree) (and in the case of paragraph (23), each fiduciary acting on behalf of a purchaser or a subsequent transferee (both in its fiduciary and corporate capacity) will be required to represent and agree), on its own behalf as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A are used herein as defined therein):

(1) The purchaser is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is aware that the sale of Preference Shares to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements provided by Section 4(2) and is acquiring the Preference Shares for its own account (and not for the account of any family or other trust, any family member or any other person). In addition, the purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Preference Shares, and the purchaser is able to bear the economic risk of its investment.

(2) The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Preference Shares have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Preference Shares, such Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the legend in respect of such Preference Shares set forth in (7) below and the restrictions set forth in the Preference Share Documents. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Issuer, the Servicer or the Initial Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Preference Shares.

(3) The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Preference Shares or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Preference Share Documents, to which provisions the purchaser agrees it is subject.

(4) The purchaser is not purchasing the Preference Shares with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares will be highly illiquid and are not suitable for short-term trading. The Preference Shares are a leveraged investment in the Collateral Obligations that may expose the Preference Shares to disproportionately large changes in value. Payments in respect of the Preference Shares are not guaranteed as they are dependent on the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations. The purchaser understands that it is possible that, due to the structure of the transaction and the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations, dividends or other distributions in respect of the Preference Shares may be reduced or eliminated entirely. Furthermore, the Preference Shares constitute equity in the Issuer, are not secured by the Collateral and will rank behind all creditors (secured and unsecured and whether known or unknown) of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the Holders of the Notes, and any Hedge Counterparties. The Issuer has assets limited to the Collateral for payment of all Classes of the Notes and dividends and other distributions on the Preference Shares, and the Preference Shares bear, *pro rata*, the first risk of loss. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Preference Shares involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of all or a substantial part of its investment. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Issuer, the Preference Shares and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Preference Shares, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Issuer and the Initial Purchaser.

(5) In connection with the purchase of Preference Shares (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Servicer by any Affiliate of or account serviced by the Servicer): (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for the purchaser; (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates other than in the Offering Memorandum for such Preference Shares and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the

Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other Person or documentation for the Preference Shares) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of the Preference Shares or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the documentation for the Preference Shares) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Preference Shares reflect those in the relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) the purchaser is purchasing the Preference Shares with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (vii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

(6) (A) The purchaser is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (b) a Qualified Purchaser, (B) the purchaser is acquiring the Preference Shares as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (C) the purchaser was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Preference Shares (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser is a Qualified Purchaser), (D) to the extent the purchaser is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, the purchaser has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (E) the purchaser is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (F) the purchaser is not a pension, profit-sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants or affiliates may designate the particular investment to be made, (G) the purchaser agrees that it shall not hold such Preference Shares for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Preference Shares or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or other distributions on the Preference Shares (except when each such other Person is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (b) a Qualified Purchaser) and (H) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Preference Shares to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(7) The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares (A) will be represented by one or more Preference Share certificates which will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Issuer determines otherwise in accordance with applicable law, and (B) may only be resold, pledged or transferred to Qualified Institutional Buyers who are also Qualified Purchasers. The purchaser understands that before the Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred, the transferee will be required to provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Issuer with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE "INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT"). THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER ("QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER") WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT (IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE PREFERENCE SHARES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A) WHO IS ALSO A QUALIFIED PURCHASER ("QUALIFIED PURCHASER") WITHIN THE

MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER) AND THAT (1) HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (2) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS AND (3) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE, (B) IN EACH CASE, IN A NUMBER OF NOT LESS THAN 100 PREFERENCE SHARES FOR THE PURCHASER AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY BE PURCHASED BY OR TRANSFERRED TO A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR CONTROLLING PERSON (EACH AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) ONLY UPON THE SATISFACTION OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID *AB INITIO*, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL ANY PREFERENCE SHARES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS OR NON-PERMITTED BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS (AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER AND ANY PAYING AGENT, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE SERVICER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY.

EACH PURCHASER AND EACH SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE (AND EACH FIDUCIARY ACTING ON BEHALF OF SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE (BOTH IN ITS FIDUCIARY AND CORPORATE CAPACITY) OF THE CLASS I PREFERENCE SHARES OR CLASS II PREFERENCE SHARES WILL BE REQUIRED TO REPRESENT, WITH RESPECT TO EACH DAY SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE HOLDS SUCH CLASS I PREFERENCE SHARES OR CLASS II PREFERENCE SHARES OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN, (1) WHETHER OR NOT SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE IS (A) AN "EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN" (AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(3) OF TITLE I OF THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA")) SUBJECT TO THE FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITY PROVISIONS OF ERISA, A "PLAN" AS DEFINED IN SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE") THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, ANY ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE "PLAN ASSETS" BY REASON OF SUCH EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN'S OR PLAN'S INVESTMENT IN THE ENTITY OR A "BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR" AS SUCH TERM IS OTHERWISE DEFINED IN ANY REGULATIONS PROMULGATED BY THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR UNDER SECTION 3(42) OF ERISA (COLLECTIVELY, "BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS") OR (B) A PERSON (OTHER THAN A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR) WHO HAS DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY OR CONTROL WITH

RESPECT TO THE ASSETS OF THE ISSUER OR ANY PERSON WHO PROVIDES INVESTMENT ADVICE FOR A FEE (DIRECT OR INDIRECT) WITH RESPECT TO SUCH ASSETS, OR ANY AFFILIATE OF SUCH A PERSON AND (2) (A) IF SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE IS A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR, (I) IN CONNECTION WITH THE ACQUISITION, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF SUCH CLASS I PREFERENCE SHARES OR CLASS II PREFERENCE SHARES, THE PURCHASER'S OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE'S FIDUCIARY HAS DETERMINED THAT SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE IS RECEIVING NO LESS, AND PAYING NO MORE, THAN "ADEQUATE CONSIDERATION" (WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 408(b)(17)(B) OF ERISA AND SECTION 4975(f)(10) OF THE CODE) AND (II) SUCH PURCHASER'S OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE'S ACQUISITION, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF CLASS I PREFERENCE SHARES OR CLASS II PREFERENCE SHARES WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE OR (B) IF SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE IS A GOVERNMENTAL, CHURCH, NON-U.S. OR OTHER PLAN WHICH IS SUBJECT TO ANY FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL OR NON-U.S. LAW THAT IS SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE PROVISIONS OF TITLE I OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, SUCH PURCHASER'S OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE'S ACQUISITION, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF CLASS I PREFERENCE SHARES OR CLASS II PREFERENCE SHARES WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT VIOLATION UNDER ANY SUCH SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR LAW AND (3) SUCH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE WILL NOT SELL OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER ANY SUCH CLASS I PREFERENCE SHARES OR CLASS II PREFERENCE SHARES OR INTERESTS THEREIN TO ANY PERSON WHO IS UNABLE TO SATISFY THE SAME FOREGOING REPRESENTATION AND WARRANTIES. NO TRANSFER OF ANY INTEREST IN THE CLASS I PREFERENCE SHARES OR CLASS II PREFERENCE SHARES WILL BE EFFECTIVE, AND THE TRUSTEE WILL NOT RECOGNIZE ANY SUCH TRANSFER IF IT WOULD RESULT IN 25% OR MORE OF THE VALUE OF THE CLASS I PREFERENCE SHARES OR THE CLASS II PREFERENCE SHARES BEING HELD BY BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS. EACH PURCHASER AND EACH SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE OF THE CLASS I PREFERENCE SHARES OR CLASS II PREFERENCE SHARES WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. ANY PURPORTED TRANSFER OF A BENEFICIAL INTEREST IN CLASS I PREFERENCE SHARES OR A CLASS II PREFERENCE SHARES IN VIOLATION OF THE REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN THIS PARAGRAPH WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, SHALL BE NULL AND VOID *AB INITIO* AND THE ISSUER WILL HAVE THE RIGHT TO DIRECT THE PURCHASER OR THE SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE TO TRANSFER THE CLASS I PREFERENCE SHARES OR THE CLASS II PREFERENCE SHARES, OR ANY INTEREST THEREIN, AS APPLICABLE, TO A PERSON WHO MEETS THE FOREGOING CRITERIA.

EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

(8) The purchaser will provide notice to each Person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Preference Shares of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Preference Share Documents, including the exhibits referenced in the Preference Share Documents.

(9) The purchaser understands that the Preference Share Documents permit the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Preference Shares who is determined not to have been (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, at the time of acquisition of the Preference Shares to sell such Preference Shares, or to sell such Preference Shares on behalf of such purchaser, to a Person that is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act.

(10) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Preference Shares. The purchaser further acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Securities in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing

contained in the offering memorandum relating to the Preference Shares shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Preference Shares in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

(11) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Preference Shares, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase Preference Shares from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell such Preference Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(12) The purchaser understands that the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

(13) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Preference Shares by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

(14) The beneficial owner will agree to treat, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, (a) the Preference Shares as equity of the Issuer, (b) the Notes as indebtedness of the Issuer and (c) the Issuer as a corporation. The beneficial owner will be deemed to have acknowledged that the Issuer is not authorized to engage in activities that could cause it to constitute a finance or lending business for U.S. federal income tax purposes and agrees that it will report its investment in Preference Shares consistent with such limitation.

(15) Each purchaser and each subsequent transferee of Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares that (i) is not a "United States person" (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) and (ii) is acquiring, directly or in conjunction with affiliates, more than 33 1/3% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares will make a representation to the effect that it is not an Affected Bank.

(16) To the extent required, as determined by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Preference Shares to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the "USA PATRIOT Act") and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Preference Share to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

(17) The purchaser agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

(18) The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

(19) The purchaser understands that, prior to any sale or other transfer of any interest in Preference Shares, it (or the transferee, as applicable) will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent a duly executed transfer certificate substantially in the form provided in the Preference Share Documents and such other certificates and other information as they may reasonably require to confirm that the proposed transfer complies with the restrictions in the legend placed on each certificate representing the Preference Shares and in the Preference Share Documents.



(20) The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer has the right pursuant to Section 6 of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement to issue additional Preference Shares.

(21) The purchaser understands that, to the extent required, as determined by the Co-Issuers, the Co-Issuers may amend the Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer only, the Preference Share Documents without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders of the Securities that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7 if, at any time following the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers elect to rely on exclusion from the definition of "investment company" under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7).

(22) The purchaser understands that the Issuer may enter into amendments or modifications to the Servicing Agreement without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities.

(23) (a) The purchaser or the subsequent transferee is (or is not, as applicable) a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person. No Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person will be permitted to purchase Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares, unless such purchaser's or subsequent transferee's acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares, (x) will not cause participation by Benefit Plan Investors to be "significant" within the meaning of the Plan Asset Regulation and (y) (1) in connection with the acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares, the purchaser's or subsequent transferee's fiduciary has determined that such purchaser or subsequent transferee is receiving no less, and paying no more, than "adequate consideration" (within the meaning of Section 408(b)(17)(B) of ERISA and Section 4975(f)(10) of the Code) and (2) such purchaser's or subsequent transferee's acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code. If the purchaser or the subsequent transferee is a governmental, church or other plan that is subject to any Substantially Similar Law, such purchaser or subsequent transferee shall represent and warrant that such purchaser's or subsequent transferee's acquisition, holding and disposition of a Class I Preference Share or a Class II Preference Share will not constitute or result in a non-exempt violation under any such Substantially Similar Law.

(b) In determining whether participation by Benefit Plan Investors is "significant", Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares beneficially held by (1) the Servicer, the Trustee, any of their respective Affiliates, employees of the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates and any charitable foundation of any such employees or (2) persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons, will be disregarded and will not be treated as Outstanding for purposes of whether participation by Benefit Plan Investors is "significant" to the extent that persons listed in (1) or (2) are not Benefit Plan Investors.

(c) The purchaser or the subsequent transferee acknowledges that a transfer of the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares will not be permitted, and no such transfer or exchange will be registered under the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement, to the extent that the transfer or exchange would result in Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such transfer or exchange (determined in accordance with the Plan Asset Regulation and the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement).

(24) If any Person shall become the beneficial owner of an interest in a Class E Note, a Class I Preference Share or a Class II Preference Share who has made a Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person representation that is subsequently shown to be false or misleading or whose beneficial ownership otherwise causes a violation of the 25% Limitation (any such person

a "**Non-Permitted ERISA Holder**"), the Issuer shall, promptly after discovery that such person is a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee (and notice by the Trustee or the Co-Issuer to the Issuer, if either of them makes the discovery), send notice to such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder demanding that such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder transfer its interest to a person that is not a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder within 14 days of the date of such notice. If such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder fails to so transfer its Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares, the Issuer shall have the right, without further notice to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder, to sell (and shall sell if directed to do so by the Servicer) such Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares or interest in such Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares, to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is not a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder on such terms as the Issuer may choose. The Issuer, or the Trustee acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting one or more bids from one or more brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares and selling such Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares to the highest such bidder. However, the Issuer or the Trustee may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Class E Note, Class I Preference Share or Class II Preference Share, the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder, by its acceptance of an interest in the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares, agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Trustee to effect such transfers. The proceeds of such sale, net of any commissions, expenses and taxes due in connection with such sale shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder. The terms and conditions of any sale under this subsection shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer, and none of the Issuer, the Servicer or the Trustee shall be liable to any Person having an interest in the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of such discretion (including for the price of such sale).

(25) The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Preference Shares are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee and the Initial Purchaser.

### **LISTING AND GENERAL INFORMATION**

1. The Issuer and the Co-Issuer accept responsibility for the information contained in this document. To the best knowledge and belief of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, the information contained in this document is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

2. Application has been made for the Senior Notes to be admitted to the *Official List* of the ISE and trading on its regulated market. However, there can be no assurance that any admission will be granted or maintained. Prior to the listing, a legal notice relating to the issue of the Senior Notes and copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer will be deposited with Custom House Administration & Corporate Services Ltd. and at the principal office of the Issuer, where copies thereof may be obtained, free of charge, upon request. The Co-Issuers have been advised by Arthur Cox Listing Services Limited that the estimated upfront fees and expenses of the ISE for obtaining such listing will be approximately €5,190 and the estimated ongoing expenses for maintaining such listing will be approximately €1,500 per annum.

3. Arthur Cox Listing Services Limited is acting solely in its capacity as listing agent for the Issuer in connection with the Notes and is not itself seeking admission of the Notes to the *Official List* or to trading on the ISE for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive.

4. As long as any of the Senior Notes are Outstanding and listed on the ISE, copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer, the Administration Agreement, the Resolutions, the resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer authorizing the issuance of the Senior Notes, the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and any Hedge Agreement will be available for inspection at the office of the Issuer and the Irish Paying Agent in the City of Dublin, where copies thereof may be obtained upon request in printed form.

5. Copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer, the Administration Agreement, the Resolutions, the resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer authorizing the issuance of the Senior Notes, the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and any Hedge Agreement, the Monthly Report prepared by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer containing information relating to the Collateral and the Valuation Report by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer containing information relating to the Collateral and the Notes will be available for inspection so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding at the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee or may be made available on the Trustee's password protected website initially located at <http://www.cdocalc.com/ibt/cdo/> and providing access thereto to the Holders of the Notes and the Preference Shares.

6. Each of the Co-Issuers represents that as of the date of this Offering Memorandum, there has been no material adverse change in its financial position since its date of incorporation. Since its date of incorporation, neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has commenced operations, other than the Issuer purchasing certain Collateral Obligations and selling participation interests therein pursuant to a master participation agreement preparatory to the offering of the Securities, and no annual reports or accounts have been prepared as of the date of this Offering Memorandum.

7. The Co-Issuers are not involved in any litigation, arbitration or governmental proceedings (including any such proceedings which are pending or threatened of which the Co-Issuers are aware) which may have or have had within the last twelve (12) months a significant effect on the financial position of the Co-Issuers.

8. The issuance of the Securities was authorized and approved by the Board of Directors of the Issuer by the Resolutions. The issuance of the Senior Notes was authorized and approved by the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer by resolutions passed on or before the Closing Date.

9. Since the date of their incorporation and as of the date of this document, no financial statements of the Co-Issuers have been prepared. The Issuer is not required by Cayman Islands law to publish financial statements, and does not intend to publish any financial statements. The Issuer is required to provide written confirmation to the Trustee, on an annual basis, that no Event of Default or other matter that is required to be brought to the Trustee's attention has occurred.

## **LEGAL MATTERS**

Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchaser by McKee Nelson LLP, New York, New York. Certain matters with respect to Cayman Islands corporate law and tax law will be passed upon for the Issuer by Maples and Calder, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Servicer by Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, Los Angeles, California.

## GLOSSARY OF DEFINED TERMS

**"A/B Exchange"** means an exchange of one security (the **"A Security"**) for another security (the **"B Security"**) of the same issuer or issuers, which security shall have the same seniority, maturity and interest rate as the A Security except that one or more transfer restrictions applicable to the A Security are inapplicable to the B Security.

**"Accrued Interest On Sale"** means interest accrued on a Collateral Obligation at the time of sale or other disposition to the extent paid to the Issuer as part of the sale or other disposition price of the Collateral Obligation after deduction of any amount representing Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal"** means (i) interest accrued on or purchased with a Collateral Obligation as part of the price paid by the Issuer to acquire the Collateral Obligation less any amount of Interest Proceeds (applied as Interest Proceeds) applied by the Issuer to acquire the accrued interest at the time of purchase and (ii) interest accrued on a Loan that constitutes part of the price paid by the Issuer to repay amounts owed to the Pre-Closing Parties in connection with the financing of the Issuer's pre-closing acquisition of such Loan.

**"Act"** means any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action to be given or taken by Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares under the Indenture embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments (which may be an electronic document, including, but not limited to, in the form of e-mail, to the extent permitted by applicable law) of substantially similar tenor signed by Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares in person or by agents duly appointed in writing (*provided* that no signature shall be required on electronic documents, including, but not limited to, in the form of e-mail to the extent permitted by law). Except as otherwise expressly provided in the Indenture the action shall become effective when the instruments are delivered to the Trustee (which instrument or instruments may be delivered through the Preference Shares Paying Agent, in the case of the Holders of the Preference Shares) and, if expressly required, to the Issuer. The instruments (and the action embodied in them) are referred to as the **"Act"** of the Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares signing the instruments.

**"Administrative Expense Cap"** means, an amount on any Payment Date equal to the excess of:

- (i) the sum of 0.025% of the Maximum Amount on the related Determination Date plus \$250,000; *over*
- (ii) the sum of the amounts paid for Administrative Expenses in the twelve months preceding the current Payment Date.

**"Administrative Expenses"** means amounts due or accrued representing:

- (i) tax preparation, filing, and registration fees or expenses and any other filing and registration fees owed by the Co-Issuers (including all filing, registration and annual return fees payable to the Cayman Islands government and registered office fees);
- (ii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Trustee (including all amounts under Section 6.8 of the Indenture), the Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Collateral Administrator;
- (iii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Co-Issuers and of accountants, agents and counsel for either of the Co-Issuers;
- (iv) fees and expenses of the Rating Agencies in connection with any rating of the Collateral (requested by the Issuer or the Servicer) or the Notes owed by either Co-Issuer (including fees and expenses for ongoing surveillance, credit estimates and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies);

(v) expenses and indemnities (but not Servicing Fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;

(vi) fees, indemnities and expenses for third-party loan pricing services and accountants; and

(vii) amounts due (other than indemnities) to any other Person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for in the Indenture, including fees or expenses in connection with any Securities Lending Agreement.

**"Affected Class"** means any Class of Notes that, as a result of the occurrence of a Tax Event, has received or will receive less than the aggregate amount of principal and interest that would otherwise have been payable to such Class on the Payment Date related to the Due Period with respect to which such Tax Event occurs.

**"Affiliate" or "Affiliated"** means with respect to a Person,

(i) any other Person who, directly or indirectly, is in control of, or controlled by, or is under common control with, the Person; or

(ii) any other Person who is a director, officer or employee (A) of the Person, (B) of any subsidiary or parent company of the Person or (C) of any Person described in clause (i) above.

For the purposes of this definition, control of a Person shall mean the power, direct or indirect:

(A) to vote more than 50% of the securities having ordinary voting power for the election of directors of the Person; or

(B) to direct the corporate management and corporate policies of the Person whether by contract or otherwise (this does not include the Servicing Agreement unless it is amended expressly to provide those services).

For the purpose of this definition, the Administrator and its Affiliates are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Co-Issuers and the Co-Issuers are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Administrator, or any of their Affiliates.

**"Aggregate Outstanding Amount"** means, when used with respect to any of the Notes as of any date, the aggregate principal amount of such Notes on that date. When used with respect to the Preference Shares as of any date, means the number of such Preference Shares Outstanding on such date.

Except as otherwise provided herein:

(i) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(iii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes at any time shall include all Class C Deferred Interest attributed thereto;

(iv) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes at any time shall include all Class D Deferred Interest attributed thereto; and

(v) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class E Notes at any time shall include all Class E Deferred Interest attributed thereto.

**"Aggregate Principal Balance"** means, when used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Principal Balances of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Principal Balance means the sum of the Principal Balances of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**"Aggregate Purchase Price Amount"** means, when used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Purchase Price Amount means the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**"Allocable Principal Balance"** means, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, the portion of the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security that is allocable to each Reference Obligation comprising such index or indices based upon allocating the Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security among such Reference Obligations in the same proportion as each Reference Obligation bears to the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security.

**"Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price"** means, the purchase price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Securities purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, *plus* accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the date of purchase payable to the Non-Consenting Holder (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), *plus* any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment, *plus* in the case of any Class A Notes, the Redemption Premium, if any, and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since the Closing Date (and any amounts payable, if any, to the Non-Consenting Holder on the next succeeding Payment Date) would cause such Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); *provided, however*, that in any Amendment Buy-Out from and after the date on which the Non-Consenting Holders of Preference Shares have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price for such Preference Shares shall be zero.

**"Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser"** means the Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Securities from Holders pursuant to "Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out," "Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser or any of their Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; *provided, however*, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

**"Applicable Note Interest Rate"** means, with respect to the Notes of any Class, the Note Interest Rate with respect to such Class.

**"Applicable Percentage"** means the lesser of the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation and the S&P Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation and the current S&P Rating of the Class A Notes.

**"Approved Pricing Service"** means Loan Pricing Corporation, Mark-It-Partners, Inc. or any other nationally recognized loan pricing service approved in writing by S&P.

**"Ask-Side Market Value"** means, as of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any lent Collateral Obligation based upon the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations which are also Independent from the Servicer or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices could not be

obtained, the higher of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations which are also Independent from the Servicer or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices could not be obtained, the average of the ask-side prices for the purchase of such Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer); *provided* that if the Ask-Side Market Value of any lent Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the outstanding principal balance thereof.

**"Assigned Moody's Rating"** means the monitored publicly available rating or the monitored estimated rating expressly assigned to a debt obligation (or facility) by Moody's that addresses the full amount of the principal and interest promised.

**"Authorized Officer"** means, with respect to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, any Officer or agent who is authorized to act for the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in matters relating to, and binding on, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. With respect to the Servicer, any managing member, Officer, manager, employee, partner or agent of the Servicer who is authorized to act for the Servicer in matters relating to, and binding on, the Servicer with respect to the subject matter of the request, certificate or order in question. With respect to the Trustee or any other bank or trust company acting as trustee of an express trust or as custodian, a Trust Officer. With respect to the Preference Share Paying Agent, the persons constituting Authorized Officers of the Trustee under the Indenture. Each party may receive and accept a certification of the authority of any other party as conclusive evidence of the authority of any Person to act, and the certification may be considered as in full force and effect until receipt by the other party of written notice to the contrary.

**"Average Life"** means, as of any Measurement Date with respect to any Collateral Obligation (other than any Defaulted Collateral Obligation), the quotient obtained by dividing:

(i) the sum of the products of:

(A) the number of years (rounded to the nearest hundredth) from the Measurement Date to the respective dates of each successive scheduled payment of principal of the Collateral Obligation; and

(B) the respective amounts of the successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation; by

(ii) the sum of all successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Bank"** means State Street Bank and Trust Company in its individual capacity and not as Trustee.

**"Bankruptcy Code"** means the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, Title 11 of the United States Code.

**"Bankruptcy Law"** means the Bankruptcy Code, Part V of the Companies Law (2007 Revision) of the Cayman Islands and the Bankruptcy Law (1997 Revision) of the Cayman Islands.

**"Board of Directors"** means with respect to the Issuer, the directors of the Issuer duly appointed from time to time in accordance with the Issuer Charter and, with respect to the Co-Issuer, the directors of the Co-Issuer duly appointed by the stockholders of the Co-Issuer; *provided, however*, that notwithstanding the foregoing, if the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding is greater than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may remove any or all (but, so long as such directors are all associated with Maples Finance, not less than all) of the directors of the Issuer and appoint other directors (who may be employees, officers or designees of the Servicer) and thereafter (so long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding is greater than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding) the power to appoint directors of the Issuer shall be exercised by a vote of the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares instead of by resolution of the holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares.

**"Business Day"** means a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in New York City, and any other city in which the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee is located and, in the case of the final payment of principal of any Note, the place of presentation of the Note designated by the Trustee; *provided, however* that, for purposes of determining LIBOR, "Business Day" must also be a day on which dealings in deposits in Dollars are transacted in the London interbank market. To the extent action is required of the Irish Listing Agent and Irish Paying Agent, Dublin, Ireland shall be considered in determining "Business Day" for purposes of determining when actions by the Irish Paying Agent are required.

**"Cash"** means such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for payment of all public and private debts.

**"CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations"** means the Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have (i) a Moody's Rating below "B3" and/or (ii) an S&P Rating below "B-."

**"CCC+/Caa1 Excess Market Value Percentage"** means the percentage equivalent of a fraction, the numerator of which is the aggregate Market Value of CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations (in order of ascending Market Value Percentage, starting with the CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation with the lowest Market Value Percentage) with an aggregate Principal Balance equal to Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations and the denominator of which is an amount equal to the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations.

**"Class"** means all of the Notes having the same priority and the same Stated Maturity and all of the Preference Shares.

**"Class A/B Coverage Tests"** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class A Notes and Class B Notes.

**"Class C Coverage Tests"** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class C Notes.

**"Class C Deferred Interest"** means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C Notes.

**"Class D Coverage Tests"** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class D Notes.

**"Class D Deferred Interest"** means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class D Notes.

**"Class E Coverage Tests"** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class E Notes.

**"Class E Deferred Interest"** means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class E Notes.

**"Clearstream"** means Clearstream Banking, société anonyme, a corporation organized under the laws of the Duchy of Luxembourg.

**"Collateral Administration Agreement"** means the agreement dated as of the Closing Date among the Issuer, the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Collateral Administrator"** means the Bank in its capacity as collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement.

**"Commitment Amount"** means, with respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the maximum aggregate outstanding principal amount (whether then funded or unfunded) of advances or other extensions of credit that the Issuer could be required to make to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments.



**"Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares"** means, with respect to any Payment Date, a Holder of Preference Shares that has consented by delivering an irrevocable written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent to a distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds on such Payment Date, as described in "Description of the Securities—Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement."

**"Controlling Class"** means the Class A Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class A Notes are Outstanding; then the Class B Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class B Notes are Outstanding; then the Class C Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class C Notes are Outstanding; then the Class D Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class D Notes are Outstanding; and then the Class E Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class E Notes are Outstanding.

**"Corporate Trust Office"** means the corporate trust office of the Trustee at which the Trustee performs its duties under the Indenture, currently having an address of 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code: EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116 telecopy no. (617) 937-0517, Attention: CDO Services Group, or any other address the Trustee designates from time to time by notice to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Issuer and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Trustee.

**"Cov-lite Loan"** means a Loan that (i) does not contain any financial covenants or (ii) requires the borrower to comply with an Incurrence Covenant, but does not require the borrower to comply with a Maintenance Covenant.

**"Credit Improved Obligation"** is any Collateral Obligation that (a) is sold pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange or (b) in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has improved in credit quality; *provided* that, in forming such judgment, a reduction in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment; and *provided, further*, that, if a Credit Rating Event is in effect, such Collateral Obligation will be considered a Credit Improved Obligation only if in addition to the above:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been upgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing positive credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under the Indenture;

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced a reduction in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Servicer (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's);

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has increased by at least 1.00% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Servicer (*provided* that this subclause (iii)(x) will be deemed satisfied if Market Value increases to 1.01%), or (y) in the case of a bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more positive than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, plus 3.00%, over the same period; or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation set forth in clauses (i) through (iii) above, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on

the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation set forth in clauses (i) through (iii) above for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Improved Obligation if:

- (i) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Improved Obligation; or
- (ii) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Improved Obligation.

**"Credit Rating Event"** means an event that is in effect if the rating by Moody's:

- (i) of the Class A Notes or the Class B Notes has been withdrawn or is one or more rating sub-categories below its Initial Rating; or
- (ii) of the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes has been withdrawn or is two or more rating sub-categories below its respective Initial Rating.

For the purposes of this definition, any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not be effective if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody's has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Class A Notes, or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**"Credit Risk Obligation"** means any Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has significantly declined in credit quality and has a significant risk, with a lapse of time, of becoming a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; *provided* that in forming such judgment an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment.

So long as a Credit Rating Event is in effect, no Collateral Obligation shall be eligible to be a Credit Risk Obligation unless in addition to the above, as of the date of determination:

- (i) the Collateral Obligation has been downgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing negative credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under the Indenture;
- (ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced an increase in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) less than or equal to 2.00% (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Servicer (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's);
- (iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has decreased by at least 2.50% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Servicer, and (y) in the case of a bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more negative, or less positive, as the case may be, than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, less 3.00%, over the same period; or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation set forth in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) above, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the

Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation set forth in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) above for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Risk Obligation if:

- (a) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Risk Obligation; or
- (b) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Risk Obligation.

**"Current-Pay Obligation"** means a Collateral Obligation as to which:

- (i) an insolvency event has occurred with respect to its obligor or as to which its obligor is rated "D" or "SD" by S&P or its obligor has previously been rated "CCC-" by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;
- (ii) no default as to the payment of principal or interest with respect to the Collateral Obligation is then continuing and the Servicer has delivered to the Trustee an officer's certificate to the effect that the Servicer expects that the obligor will make payments on the Collateral Obligation as they become due;
- (iii) (A) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is at least "Caa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 80% of its Principal Balance or (B) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is less than "Caa1" or is "Caa1" and on credit watch with negative implications, the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 85% of its Principal Balance;
- (iv) if an insolvency event has occurred with respect to the obligor of the Collateral Obligation, a bankruptcy court has authorized all payments of principal and interest payable on the Collateral Obligation;
- (v) there is a rating of at least "Caa2" by Moody's (if rated by Moody's) provided that if such rating is "Caa2", such rating must not be on watch for possible downgrade by Moody's); and
- (vi) the Servicer has designated in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligation as a Current-Pay Obligation.

If the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations exceeds 5% of the Maximum Amount, all or a portion of one or more Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance equal to the amount of the excess shall not be Current-Pay Obligations (and will therefore be Defaulted Collateral Obligations). The Servicer shall designate in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligations that shall not be Current-Pay Obligations pursuant to the preceding sentence as the Collateral Obligations (or portions thereof) that have the lowest Market Value on any applicable date of determination.

The Servicer may, with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, by notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator, change the definition of "Current-Pay Obligation" or how Current-Pay Obligations are treated in the Indenture, subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency.

**"Current Portfolio"** means, at any time, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations, Principal Proceeds held as cash on deposit in the Collection Account, and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account that exists before the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or before the acquisition of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**"Deep Discount Obligation"** means, until the average Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation, as determined daily for any period of 30 consecutive days, equals or exceeds 90%, any

Collateral Obligation acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 85% of its Principal Balance. For such purpose, the Market Value Percentage of a Collateral Obligation on a day that is not a Business Day shall be deemed to be the Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation on the immediately preceding Business Day.

**"Defaulted Collateral Obligation"** means any Collateral Obligation or other obligation included in the Collateral:

(i) as to which a default in the payment of principal or interest is continuing beyond the lesser of three Business Days and any applicable grace or notice period, unless in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;

(ii) the maturity of all or a portion of the principal amount of such Collateral Obligation has been accelerated as a consequence of a default (other than any payment default) under the instruments evidencing or relating to such Collateral Obligation; unless such default or event of default has been fully cured or waived and is no longer continuing and such acceleration has been rescinded;

(iii) with respect to which there has been effected any distressed exchange or other debt restructuring where the obligor has offered the holders thereof a new security or instrument or package of securities or instruments that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, either (x) amounts to a diminished financial obligation or (y) has the sole purpose of enabling the obligor to avoid a default;

(iv) (1) that is *pari passu* with or subordinated to other indebtedness for borrowed money owing by its obligor ("**Other Indebtedness**"), (2) the obligor has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (without regard to any applicable grace or notice period and without regard to any waiver of the default) on the Other Indebtedness, unless, in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid on the Other Indebtedness and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation and (3) the Servicer, *provided* that the related Collateral Obligation has not been downgraded after the default on such Other Indebtedness has occurred, determines (in its commercially reasonable judgment) that such Other Indebtedness is material;

(v) (other than a Current-Pay Obligation or a DIP Loan) as to which:

(A) an insolvency event has occurred with respect to its obligor;

(B) the obligation is rated "D", "SD", "C" or "CC" by S&P or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn, or has previously been rated "CCC-" or lower by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn; or

(C) the obligation is rated "D" by Moody's or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn.

(vi) if the Collateral Obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation, it is rated "CC" or below by S&P, or it was rated "CC" or below by S&P but the rating has since been withdrawn, or it is rated "Ca" or below by Moody's, or it was rated "C" or below by Moody's but the rating has since been withdrawn;

(vii) that is a Participation that would, if the underlying Loan were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (v) above or with respect to which the Participating Institution has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Participation;

(viii) that is a Synthetic Security referencing a Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above or with respect to which the Synthetic Security Counterparty has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Synthetic Security; *provided, however*, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time: (x) a determination whether the Reference Obligations upon which such Synthetic Security is based would, if such Reference Obligations were Collateral Obligations, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each of the Reference Obligations on which such Synthetic Security is based in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation and (y) the "Defaulted Collateral Obligation" for purposes of this clause (viii) shall be limited to the Allocable Principal Balance of each Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above;

(ix) that is a Written-Down Obligation;

(x) that is a DIP Loan as to which an order has been entered converting the debtor's chapter 11 case to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code; or

(xi) that is declared to be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation by the Servicer.

Any Collateral Obligation that is classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall cease to be so classified if the Collateral Obligation, at any date thereafter,

(1) would not otherwise be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this definition; and

(2) otherwise meets the Eligibility Criteria as of that date.

If any portion of a Collateral Obligation has a maturity later than one year after the Stated Maturity of the Notes due to a change in the payment schedule of the Collateral Obligation occurring after its acquisition by the Issuer, that portion of the Collateral Obligation shall be considered a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**"Defaulted Hedge Termination Payment"** means any termination payment required to be made by the Issuer to a Hedge Counterparty pursuant to a Hedge Agreement upon a termination of the Hedge Agreement in respect of which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**"Defaulted Interest"** means any interest payable in respect of any Class of Notes that is not punctually paid or duly provided for on the applicable Payment Date or at Stated Maturity.

**"Defaulted Interest Charge"** means to the extent lawful, interest on any Defaulted Interest at the Default Interest Rate.

**"Default Interest Rate"** means, with respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate equal to the Note Interest Rate payable on the Notes of the Class.

**"Defaulted Synthetic Security Termination Payments"** means any termination payment required to be made by the Issuer to a Synthetic Security Counterparty pursuant to a Synthetic Security upon the occurrence of any "event of default" or "termination event" (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security) under such Synthetic Security as to which such Synthetic Security Counterparty is the Defaulting Party or the sole Affected Party (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security).

**"Deferred Interest Notes"** means the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**"Definitive Security"** means any Note or Certificated Preference Share that is registered in the name of the beneficial owner.

**"Delayed Drawdown Loan"** means a Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that:

- (i) requires the Issuer to make one or more future advances to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments;
- (ii) specifies a maximum amount that can be borrowed on one or more fixed borrowing dates; and
- (iii) does not permit the re-borrowing of any amount previously repaid.

A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Delayed Drawdown Loan for so long as its unused commitment amount is greater than zero and for purposes of the Concentration Limitations only unfunded portions will count as Delayed Drawdown Loans.

**"Depository" or "DTC"** means The Depository Trust Company and its nominees.

**"DIP Loan"** means any Loan:

- (i) that has a rating assigned by Moody's (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by Moody's, the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by Moody's within five Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer) and a rating assigned by S&P (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by S&P, the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P within two Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer);
- (ii) that is an obligation of a debtor in possession as described in Section 1107 of the Bankruptcy Code or a trustee (if appointment of a trustee has been ordered pursuant to Section 1104 of the Bankruptcy Code) (a **"Debtor"**) organized under the laws of the United States or any state of the United States; and
- (iii) the terms of which have been approved by a final order of the United States Bankruptcy Court, United States District Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, the enforceability of which order is not subject to any pending contested matter or proceeding (as those terms are defined in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure) and which order provides that:

- (A) the Loan is secured by liens on the Debtor's otherwise unencumbered assets pursuant to Section 364(c)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code;
- (B) the Loan is secured by liens of equal or senior priority on property of the Debtor's estate that is otherwise subject to a lien pursuant to Section 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code;
- (C) the Loan is fully secured (based on a current valuation or appraisal report) by junior liens on the Debtor's encumbered assets; or
- (D) if any portion of the Loan is unsecured, the repayment of the Loan retains priority over all other administrative expenses pursuant to Section 364(c)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code (and in the case of this clause (D), before the acquisition of the Loan, the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency).

**"Diversity Score"** is a single number that indicates collateral concentration in terms of both issuer and industry concentration, calculated as set forth in Schedule 4 to the Indenture.

**"Domicile" or "Domiciled"** means, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, either (i) the jurisdiction of incorporation, organization or creation of the related obligor or (ii) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with an obligor organized, incorporated or created in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction, the

jurisdiction in which, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the related obligor conducts substantially all of its business operations and in which the assets primarily responsible for generating its revenues are located.

**"Due Period"** means, with respect to any Payment Date, for all purposes other than payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements, the period from the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date, from the Closing Date) up to but excluding the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the Payment Date (or in the case of the final Payment Date or any Payment Date that is a Redemption Date, through the Business Day before the Payment Date and for payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements the period from the day after the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date from the Closing Date) through the Payment Date).

**"Eligible Country"** means the United States, Canada and any country classified by Moody's as a Moody's Group I Country, Moody's Group II Country or Moody's Group III Country and, in each case, has an S&P foreign currency rating of at least "AA" and a Moody's foreign currency rating of at least "Aa2."

**"Eligible Equity Security"** mean an equity security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation by, or on behalf of, the Issuer that (i) is publicly traded on an Established Securities Market or (ii) the Market Value of which is higher than the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation with respect to which such equity security has been acquired by the Issuer.

**"Eligible Investments"** means any Dollar-denominated obligation or asset that, when it is pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee under the Indenture, is one or more of the following:

- (i) Cash;
- (ii) direct Registered obligations of, and Registered obligations the timely payment of principal and interest on which is fully and expressly guaranteed by, the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States the obligations of which are expressly backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, which in each case are not zero coupon securities;
- (iii) demand and time deposits in, trust accounts, certificates of deposit payable within 91 days of issuance of, bankers' acceptances payable within 91 days of issuance issued by, or Federal funds sold by any depository institution or trust company incorporated under the laws of the United States or any state thereof and subject to supervision and examination by Federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or the debt obligations of such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company), at the time of such acquisition or contractual commitment providing for such acquisition and throughout the term thereof, have a credit rating of not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade, or "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P in the case of commercial paper and short-term debt obligations; *provided* that in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than "AA-" by S&P and "Aa3" by Moody's and a short-term rating of "A-1+" by S&P and "P-1" by Moody's, and if so rated, is not on watch for downgrade;
- (iv) commercial paper or other short-term obligations with a maturity which, even after giving effect to any extendability feature thereof, does not exceed 183 days from the date of issuance and having at the time of such acquisition a credit rating of at least "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P; *provided* that, in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's and "AA-" by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;
- (v) unleveraged repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clause (b) above entered into with a U.S. federal or state depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (iii) above or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose long-term credit rating is not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade or whose short-term credit rating is "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P at the time of such

acquisition and throughout the term thereof; *provided* that, if such repurchase obligation has a maturity of longer than 91 days, the counterparty thereto must also have at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(vi) any money market funds (including any fund for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee serves as an investment adviser, administrator, shareholder servicing agent, custodian or subcustodian, notwithstanding that (A) the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses from such funds for services rendered (*provided* that such charges, fees and expenses are on terms consistent with terms negotiated at arm's length) and (B) the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses for services rendered, pursuant to the Indenture) (i) which funds have at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof a credit rating of "Aaa" and "MR1+" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, respectively (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or (ii) that are registered as money market funds under Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act and have a credit rating of "Aaa" from Moody's and "AAAm" or "AAAmG" from S&P (and not on credit watch with negative implications);

(vii) a guaranteed reinvestment agreement from a bank (if treated as a deposit by such bank), insurance company or other corporation or entity organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (if treated as debt by such insurance company or other corporation or entity), providing for periodic payments thereunder during each Due Period; *provided* that each such agreement provides that it is terminable by the purchaser, without premium or penalty, in the event that the rating assigned to such agreement by either Moody's or S&P is at any time lower than the then current ratings assigned to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes; *provided, further*, that, at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof, the issuer of such agreement has a senior unsecured long-term debt rating, issuer rating or counterparty rating of at least "Aaa" by Moody's, a short-term debt rating of "P-1" by Moody's (and not on watch for downgrade), a short-term debt rating of at least "A-1+" by S&P and a long-term debt rating of at least "AAA" by S&P (and not on watch for downgrade); and

(viii) such other obligations or assets for which Rating Confirmation has been received;

and, in each case, with a stated maturity (giving effect to any applicable grace period) no later than the Business Day before the Payment Date next succeeding the date of acquisition.

Eligible Investments on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account must have a stated maturity no later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase.

Eligible Investments may not include:

(1) any interest-only security, any security purchased at a price in excess of 100% of its par value, any mortgage-backed security or any security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer;

(2) any security whose rating assigned by S&P includes the subscript "r," "t," "p," "pi," "q" or "f";

(3) any floating rate security whose interest rate is inversely or otherwise not proportionately related to an interest rate index or is calculated as other than the sum of an interest rate index plus a spread (which spread may be zero);

(4) any security that is subject to an exchange or tender offer; or

(5) any security that has payments subject to foreign or United States withholding tax.



Eligible Investments may include Eligible Investments for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee is the issuer or depository institution or provides services. Eligible Investments may not include obligations principally secured by real property.

**"Emerging Market Security"** means a security or obligation issued by a sovereign or non-sovereign issuer located in a country (excluding the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Netherlands Antilles, and the Channel Islands):

- (i) that is in Latin America, Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, or the Caribbean; or
- (ii) the long-term foreign currency debt obligations of which are rated below "Aa2" or "Aa2" and on credit watch with negative implications by Moody's or the foreign currency issuer credit rating of which is below "AA" by S&P.

**"Euroclear"** means Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear system.

**"Excel Default Model Input File"** means an electronic spreadsheet file in Microsoft excel format to be provided to S&P, which file shall include the balance of Cash and Eligible Investments in each account and the following information (to the extent such information is not confidential) with respect to each Collateral Obligation or Reference Obligation in the case of a Synthetic Security:

- (a) the name and country of domicile of the issuer thereof and the particular obligation or security held by the Issuer,
- (b) the CUSIP or other applicable identification number associated with such Collateral Obligation,
- (c) the par value of such Collateral Obligation,
- (d) the type of obligation or security (including, by way of example, whether such Collateral Obligation is a bond, loan, Cov-lite Loan or asset-backed security), using such abbreviations as may be selected by the Trustee,
- (e) a description of the index or other applicable benchmark upon which the interest payable on such Collateral Obligation is based (including, by way of example, fixed rate, step-up rate, zero coupon and LIBOR),
- (f) the coupon (in the case of a Collateral Obligation which bears interest at a fixed rate) or the spread over the applicable index (in the case of a Collateral Obligation which bears interest at a floating rate),
- (g) the S&P Industry Classification for such Collateral Obligation,
- (h) the stated maturity date of such Collateral Obligation,
- (i) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation or the issuer thereof, as applicable,
- (j) the applicable S&P Recovery Rate, and
- (k) such other information as the Trustee may determine to include in such file.

**"Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations"** means the Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations in excess of 7.5% of the Maximum Amount on the relevant Determination Date.

**"Excluded Property"** means (i) U.S.\$250 (attributable to the issue and allotment of the Issuer Ordinary Shares) and a U.S.\$250 transaction fee paid to the Issuer, the bank account in which those amounts are credited in the Cayman Islands and any interest earned on those amounts; (ii) any amounts

credited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account and the Preference Share Distribution Account from time to time and (iii) any Margin Stock.

**"Extension"** means an extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test in accordance with the Indenture.

**"Extension Bonus Payment"** means, with respect to each Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable beneficial owner set forth in "Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date" in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Class A Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class B Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (3) in the case of the Class C Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (4) in the case of the Class D Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date and (5) in the case of the Class E Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

**"Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification"** means, with respect to each Maturity Extension and each beneficial owner of Notes other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such beneficial owner acceptable to the Issuer to the effect that it held Notes other than Extension Sale Securities on the applicable Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof in the case of the Notes and wire transfer instructions for the Extension Bonus Payment and any required documentation thereunder.

**"Extension Determination Date"** means the 8<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to each Extension Effective Date.

**"Extension Purchase Price"** means the purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with each Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the applicable Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since the Closing Date would cause such Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a "Payment Date" under the Indenture); *provided, however*, that if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Preference Shares shall be zero.

**"Extension Qualifying Purchasers"** means the Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Extension Sale Securities from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in "Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date," "Extension Qualifying Purchasers" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; *provided however*, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

**"Face Amount"** means, with respect to any Preference Share, the amount set forth therein as the "face amount" thereof, which "face amount" shall be \$1,000 per Preference Share.

**"Finance Lease"** means a lease agreement or other agreement entered into in connection with and evidencing a Leasing Finance Transaction; *provided* that such Finance Lease shall have a rating by Moody's.

**"Fixed Rate Excess"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose numerator is the product of:

(i) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date over the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test; and

(ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date;

and whose denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Fixed Rate Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Spread Excess were equal to zero.

**"Fixed Rate Obligations"** means any Collateral Obligation that bears interest at a fixed rate.

**"Floating Rate Notes"** means the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**"Floating Rate Obligation"** means any Collateral Obligation that bears interest based on a floating rate index.

**"Form-Approved Synthetic Security"** means a Synthetic Security:

(i) (A) each of the Reference Obligations of which satisfy the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and could be purchased by the Issuer without any required action by the Rating Agencies, without satisfaction of the Rating Condition or which the Rating Agencies have otherwise approved; or

(B) each of the Reference Obligations of which would satisfy clause (A) above but for the currency in which the Reference Obligation is payable and the Synthetic Security is payable in Dollars, does not provide for physical settlement, and does not expose the Issuer to Dollar currency risk;

(ii) the Synthetic Security Agreement of which conforms (but for the amount and timing of periodic payments, the name of the Reference Obligation, the notional amount, the effective date, the termination date, and other similar necessary changes) to a form that has been expressly identified and approved in writing in connection with a request under the Indenture by Moody's and S&P;

(iii) a copy of the Synthetic Security Agreement of which has been delivered to the Holders of the Class A Notes by the Trustee at the expense of the Co-Issuers and upon being furnished with a copy of the same by the Servicer; and

(iv) that is with a counterparty with respect to which the Rating Condition has been satisfied by each of Moody's and S&P prior to the acquisition of any such Form-Approved Synthetic Security, and such approval has not been withdrawn.

Moody's or S&P may at any time, by notice to the Servicer, withdraw its approval of any such form. A withdrawal of approval shall have no effect on any Synthetic Security acquired, entered into, or committed to before the date on which the Servicer receives the notice of withdrawal.

**"Funded Amount"** means, with respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan at any time, the aggregate principal amount of advances or other extensions of credit made thereunder by the Issuer that are outstanding and have not been repaid at such time.

**"Hedge Agreements"** means, collectively, all interest rate cap or interest rate swap agreements between the Issuer and any Hedge Counterparty, and any replacement agreement entered into pursuant to the Indenture.

**"Hedge Counterparty"** means any counterparty, to the extent that when the Issuer enters into any Hedge Agreement with such counterparty, such counterparty satisfies the requirements of the Indenture, including the satisfaction of the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency.

**"Hedge Termination Receipt"** means any termination payment paid by the Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer upon any early termination of a Hedge Agreement with respect to which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**"HFP"** means Highland Financial Partners, L.P. (an Affiliate of the Servicer).

**"High-Yield Bond"** means any debt security, other than a Loan or a Structured Finance Obligation, that is either Registered or, if not Registered, (i) it is issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States, (ii) the payments on it are not subject to United States withholding tax and (iii) it is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**"Holder"** means, of any Note, the person whose name appears on the Indenture Register as the registered holder of the Note; and of any Preference Share, the person whose name appears in the share register of the Issuer related thereto as the registered holder of such Preference Share.

**"Incurrence Covenant"** means a covenant by the borrower to comply with one or more financial covenants only upon the occurrence of certain actions of the borrower including, but not limited to, a debt issuance, dividend payment, share purchase, merger, acquisition or divestiture.

**"Indenture Registrar"** means the Bank in its capacity as Indenture registrar as provided in the Indenture.

**"Indenture Register"** means the register caused to be kept by the Issuer for the purpose of registering Notes and transfers of the Notes as provided in the Indenture.

**"Information"** means S&P's "Credit Estimate Information Requirements" dated June 2007 and any other information S&P reasonably requests in order to produce a credit estimate for a Collateral Obligation.

**"Initial Consent Period"** means the period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee mailed notice of a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of Securities.

**"Initial Rating"** means, the ratings by Moody's and S&P with respect to each Class of Notes provided in the table in "Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities."

**"Interest Period"** means, initially, the period from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the first Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date.

**"Interest Proceeds"** means, with respect to any Due Period, the sum (without duplication) of all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period (or as otherwise specified below) by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are:

(i) payments of interest, fees, and commissions (excluding (A) Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal, (B) interest and dividends on Workout Assets, (C) fees and commissions from Defaulted Collateral Obligations, and (D) syndication and other up-front fees and any up-front fixed payments received in connection with entering into a Synthetic Security);

(ii) any portion of the Sale Proceeds of a Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) representing Accrued Interest On Sale;

(iii) all payments of principal on, or disposition proceeds from the sale of, Eligible Investments to the extent purchased with Interest Proceeds;

(iv) payments with respect to the Hedge Agreements received on or before the related Payment Date (other than any amount payable thereunder because of any early termination or notional amount reduction), but not any Sale Proceeds from any of these instruments (except to the extent that they were purchased with Interest Proceeds);

(v) all fees received pursuant to any Securities Lending Agreements;

(vi) amounts in the Collection Account designated for distribution as Interest Proceeds pursuant to the Priority of Payments;

(vii) all earnings on amounts in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account and the Revolving Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account in accordance with the Indenture;

(viii) amounts in the Expense Reimbursement Account on the Payment Date for the relevant Due Period;

(ix) any recoveries (including interest) received on a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation in excess of the principal balance of such Non-Performing Collateral Obligation (as of the date the related Collateral Obligation became a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation and excluding from such principal balance any deferred interest on Non-Performing Collateral Obligations that are PIK Securities); and

(x) Principal Proceeds designated by the Servicer as Interest Proceeds prior to the Determination Date related to the first Payment Date in an aggregate amount not to exceed U.S.\$4,000,000 in accordance with the last paragraph under "Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Collection Account".

Interest Proceeds shall not include the Excluded Property and Interest Proceeds shall not include earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

Each reference in the definition of "Interest Proceeds" to a Collateral Obligation shall include a Collateral Obligation that has been loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and Interest Proceeds shall include any amounts referred to in clauses (i) through (iii) above received by the Issuer in respect of the Collateral Obligation indirectly from the related Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement.

With respect to any Payment Date, Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Interest Proceeds due and payable on such Payment Date to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date that are distributed to such Holders by way of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of Cash pursuant to "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds.

**"Interim Targets"** means, with respect to the Collateral on the Interim Targets Date, (i) a Minimum Diversity Score greater than or equal to 60, (ii) a Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor less than or equal to 2550, (iii) a Minimum Weighted Average Spread greater than or equal to 2.45%, (iv) the Collateral Obligations have an Aggregate Principal Balance of greater than or equal to U.S.\$940,000,000 and (v) a Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate equal to or greater than 44.00%.

**"Interim Targets Date"** means February 4, 2008.

**"Irish Listing Agent"** means Arthur Cox Listing Services Limited.

**"Issuer Charter"** means the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Issuer, as may be amended and restated before the Closing Date or in accordance with the Indenture.

**"Issuer Order"** and **"Issuer Request"** means a written order or request dated and signed in the name of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, or by the Servicer by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

**"Junior Class"** means, with respect to a particular Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that is subordinated to that Class.

**"Leasing Finance Transaction"** means any transaction pursuant to which the obligations of the lessee to pay rent or other amounts on a triple net basis under any lease of (or other arrangement conveying the right to use) real or personal property, or a combination thereof, are required to be classified and accounted for as a capital lease on a balance sheet of such lessee under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America; but only if (a) such lease or other transaction provides for the unconditional obligation of the lessee to pay a stated amount of principal no later than a stated maturity date, together with interest thereon, and the payment of such obligation is not subject to any material non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer, (b) the obligations of the lessee in respect of such lease or other transaction are fully secured, directly or indirectly, by the property that is the subject of such lease and (c) the interest held by the Issuer in respect of such lease or other transaction is treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

**"Loan"** means any interest in a fully committed, senior secured, unsecured, or revolving loan (including loans involving credit linked deposits and synthetic letters of credit) that is acquired by assignment or by Participation (including any DIP Loan) that is either:

- (i) Registered; or
- (ii) issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States:
  - (A) whose payments are not subject to United States withholding tax; and
  - (B) that is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**"Long-Dated Collateral Obligation"** means any Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturity of the Notes other than a Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturities of the Notes that includes a "put" option to its obligor at a price of at least par payable on or before the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

**"Maintenance Covenant"** means a covenant by the borrower to comply with one or more financial covenants during each reporting period, whether or not it has taken any specified action.

**"Majority"** means, with respect to any Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**"Margin Stock"** means "Margin Stock" as defined under Regulation U issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, including any debt security that is by its terms convertible into Margin Stock, but does not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation received pursuant to an offer by an issuer of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**"Market Value"** means, as of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of

prices were not obtained, the lower of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the bid-side prices for the purchase of the Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer).

If a Market Value of any Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined in accordance with the procedures set out in the previous paragraph for a period of 30 consecutive days then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero; *provided*, that during such 30 day period, such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to (a) the higher of (i) the S&P Recovery Rate for such Collateral Obligation and the then current S&P Rating of the Class A Notes and (ii) 70% of the Principal Balance of such Collateral Obligation or (b) if the Servicer has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation is lower than the amount determined pursuant to clause (a), such amount to be determined by the Servicer in its commercially reasonable judgment; *provided, further*, that the maximum amount of Collateral Obligations having a Market Value assigned pursuant to the immediately preceding proviso shall be limited to 5.0% of the Maximum Amount (and any amount in excess of 5.0% of the Maximum Amount shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero). For the avoidance of doubt, the procedures set out in this paragraph shall not apply to determinations of Market Value of any Eligible Equity Securities or Current-Pay Obligations.

The Servicer is under no obligation to determine the Market Value of the Collateral Obligations other than as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or the Indenture or to comply with any of its duties as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or in the Indenture.

**"Market Value Determination Date"** means, with respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities, one Business Day prior to the date of the notice distributed by the Issuer to the Holders of the Preference Shares in connection with such distribution.

**"Market Value Percentage"** means, for any Collateral Obligation, the ratio obtained by dividing:

- (i) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation; by
- (ii) the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Maximum Amount"** means an amount equal to:

- (i) on any Measurement Date during the Ramp-Up Period, U.S.\$992,377,774; and
- (ii) on any Measurement Date after the Ramp-Up Completion Date:
  - (A) the aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations plus the aggregate outstanding principal amount of any Defaulted Collateral Obligations; *plus*
  - (B) cash representing Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
  - (C) Eligible Investments (other than cash) purchased by the Issuer with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account.

**"Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the sum of (i) the number set forth in the column entitled "Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolation between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable) *plus* (ii) the Recovery Rate Modifier.

**"Measurement Date"** means any date:

- (i) on which the Issuer commits to acquire or dispose of any Collateral Obligation;

- (ii) on which a Collateral Obligation becomes a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
- (iii) that is a Determination Date;
- (iv) that is the Ramp-Up Completion Date;
- (v) that is the date as of which the information in a Monthly Report is calculated pursuant to the Indenture; and,

with respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities only,

- (vi) that is the Market Value Determination Date.

**"Minimum Diversity Score"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a score equal to the number set forth in the column entitled "Minimum Diversity Score" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**"Minimum Weighted Average Spread"** means, as of any Measurement Date, the spread equal to the percentage set forth in the row entitled "Minimum Weighted Average Spread" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**"Monthly Report"** means a monthly report compiled and provided by the Issuer.

**"Moody's Default Probability Rating"** means with respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (i) with respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:
  - (A) if the Loan's obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, such corporate family rating; and
  - (B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Obligation Rating of such Loan;
  - (C) if the preceding clauses do not apply, the rating that is one subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating;
- (ii) with respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a High-Yield Bond, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating of such Collateral Obligation;
- (iii) with respect to a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the rating that is one rating subcategory below the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof;
- (iv) with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof (or, if the obligation does not have an Assigned Moody's Rating but has a rating by S&P, then the Moody's Default Probability Rating shall be:
  - (x) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher, or
  - (y) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; and
- (v) with respect to a Synthetic Security, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.



Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down (if on watch for downgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories or adjusted up (if on watch for upgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture, if a Moody's Default Probability Rating is withdrawn by Moody's with respect to a Collateral Obligation and if the Issuer, or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, has applied for a rating estimate from Moody's with respect to such Collateral Obligation, the Issuer will continue using the latest Moody's Default Probability Rating available immediately prior to such withdrawal pending receipt of such rating estimate from Moody's; *provided, however*, that if a Moody's Default Probability Rating is withdrawn and neither the Issuer, nor the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, have applied for a rating estimate, the provisions of Schedule 7 to the Indenture with respect to Collateral Obligations whose ratings have been withdrawn will be followed.

**"Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating"** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation that is a Loan or bond and the obligor thereof, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

(i) if the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating;

(ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's "Issuer Rating" (as defined by Moody's) for the obligor;

(iii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating; then

(A) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "B3" (and, if rated "B3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one rating subcategory higher than such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(B) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "B3" (or rated "B3" and on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be such Assigned Moody's Rating;

(iv) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating; then:

(A) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "Caa3" (and, if rated "Caa3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one subcategory below such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(B) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "Caa3" (or rated "Caa3" and on watch for downgrade), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be "C";

(v) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but such obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be one rating subcategory below such corporate family rating;

(vi) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(B) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; or

(C) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's of (a) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating no lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or High-Yield Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (vi)(C), or clauses (vii)(C) or (viii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(vii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(B) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (iii) above; or

(C) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (a) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or High-Yield Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (vii)(C), or clauses (vi)(C) or (viii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(viii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(B) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (iv) above; or

(C) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (a) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within two Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or High-Yield Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (viii)(C), or clause (vi)(C) or (vii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(ix) if the preceding clauses do not apply and each of the following clauses (A) through (H) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa1:"

(A) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings;

(B) no debt securities or obligations of the obligor are in default;

(C) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates has defaulted on any debt during the preceding two years;

(D) the obligor has been in existence for the preceding five years;

(E) the obligor is current on any cumulative dividends;

(F) the fixed-charge ratio for the obligor exceeds 125% for each of the preceding two fiscal years and for the most recent quarter;

(G) the obligor had a net profit before tax in the past fiscal year and the most recent quarter; and

(H) the annual financial statements of such obligor are unqualified and certified by a firm of Independent accountants of international reputation, and quarterly statements are unaudited but signed by a corporate officer;

(x) if the preceding clauses do not apply but each of the following clauses (A) and (B) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa3":

(A) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings; and

(B) no debt security or obligation of such obligor has been in default during the past two years; and

(xi) if the preceding clauses do not apply and a debt security or obligation of the obligor has been in default during the past two years, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Ca."

Notwithstanding the foregoing, not more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may consist of Relevant Obligations given a Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating based on a rating given by S&P as provided in clauses (vi), (vii) and (viii) above.

**"Moody's Group I Country"** means any of the following countries: Australia, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group I Country.

**"Moody's Group II Country"** means any of the following countries: Germany, Ireland, Sweden, Switzerland and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group II Country.

**"Moody's Group III Country"** means any of the following countries: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, Spain and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group III Country.

**"Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the lesser of (x) 60% and (y) the number obtained by (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate, (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations and (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

**"Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan"** means any Loan that is not a Moody's Senior Secured Loan.

**"Moody's Obligation Rating"** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (i) With respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:
  - (A) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or
  - (B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the rating that is one rating subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and
- (ii) With respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a High-Yield Bond:
  - (A) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or
  - (B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and
- (iii) With respect to a Synthetic Security or a DIP Loan, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

**"Moody's Priority Category"** means each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix" as a "Moody's Priority Category."

**"Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate"** means for any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix" opposite the Moody's Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix"** means the table below:

<b>Moody's Priority Category</b>	<b>Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Synthetic Securities.....	In the case of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to the Form-Approved Synthetic Security at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security by Moody's; and</li> <li>(ii) any other Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to the Synthetic Security at the time of acquisition of the Synthetic Security.</li> </ul>
Structured Finance Obligations .....	The Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the Moody's Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 5</u> to the Indenture by reference to the type of asset and its then Moody's Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that schedule does not apply, on a case-by-case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
unsecured DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligations not covered above or below ..	As determined by Moody's on a case-by-case basis.

For High-Yield Bonds, Moody's Senior Secured Loans and Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is the rate determined pursuant to the table below based on the number of rating subcategories difference between the High-Yield Bond's or Loan's Moody's Obligation Rating and its Moody's Default Probability Rating (for purposes of clarification, if the Moody's Obligation Rating is higher than the Moody's Default Probability Rating, the rating subcategories difference will be positive and if it is lower, negative):

<b>Number of Moody's Rating Subcategories Difference Between the Moody's Obligation Rating and the Moody's Default Probability Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>High-Yield Bonds</b>
+2 or more	60.0%	45.0%	40.0%
+1	50.0%	42.5%	35.0%
0	45.0%	40.0%	30.0%
-1	40.0%	30.0%	15.0%
-2	30.0%	15.0%	10.0%
-3 or less	20.0%	10.0%	2.0%

If no Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate has been specifically assigned with respect to a Loan pursuant to the above table, and the Loan is a secured DIP Loan, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is 50.0%.

**"Moody's Rating"** means the Moody's Default Probability Rating; *provided* that, with respect to the Collateral Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or any successor to it ceases to provide rating services, references to rating categories of Moody's in the Indenture shall be deemed instead to be references to the equivalent categories of any other nationally recognized investment rating agency selected by the Servicer, as of the most recent date on which such other rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which such alternative rating agency is used. If no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's, then the Servicer may apply to Moody's for a Moody's credit rating estimate, which will be its Moody's Rating; *provided* that, on or prior to each one-year anniversary of the acquisition of any such Collateral Obligation, the Issuer shall submit to Moody's a request for a Moody's credit rating estimate for such Collateral Obligation, which shall be its Moody's Rating, together with all information reasonably required by Moody's to perform such estimate.

**"Moody's Rating Factor"** means the number in the table below opposite the rating of the Collateral Obligation (excluding Synthetic Securities where an Assigned Moody's Rating is not available).

<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>	<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>
Aaa	1	Ba1	940
Aa1	10	Ba2	1,350
Aa2	20	Ba3	1,766
Aa3	40	B1	2,220
A1	70	B2	2,720
A2	120	B3	3,490
A3	180	Caa1	4,770
Baa1	260	Caa2	6,500
Baa2	360	Caa3	8,070
Baa3	610	Ca or lower	10,000

The Moody's Rating Factor for Collateral Obligations that are Synthetic Securities shall be determined by Moody's and obtained by the Issuer or the Servicer on a case-by-case basis, unless (1) there is an Assigned Moody's Rating available for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, in which case such Assigned Moody's Rating shall be used to compute the Moody's Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, or (2) such Collateral Obligation is a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, in which case the Moody's Rating Factor given to such Collateral Obligation at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security shall be used to compute the Moody's Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security.

The Moody's Rating Factor for any Collateral Obligation that is a Structured Finance Obligation shall be equal to:  $\frac{A \times 55\%}{1 - B}$ ,

where: "A" means the number determined with respect to such Collateral Obligation pursuant to the table above; and

"B" means the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Senior Secured Loan"** means:

(i) a Loan that:

(A) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan;

(B) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan; and

(C) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal seniority secured by a first lien or security interest in the same collateral; or

(ii) a Loan that:

(A) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan, other than, with respect to a Loan described in clause (i) above, with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such loan;

(B) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan;

(C) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by a first or second lien or security interest in the same collateral; and

(D) has been assigned a Moody's rating equal to or higher than Moody's corporate family rating for such obligor; and

(iii) the Loan is not: (A) a DIP Loan, (B) a Loan for which the security interest or lien (or the validity or effectiveness thereof) in substantially all of its collateral attaches, becomes effective, or otherwise "springs" into existence after the origination thereof, or (C) a type of loan that Moody's has

identified as having unusual terms and with respect to which its Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate has been or is to be determined on a case-by-case basis.

**"Non-Consenting Holder"** means with respect to any supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, any Holder or, in the case of Securities represented by Global Notes, any beneficial owner, that either (i) has delivered to the Trustee a written notice that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) had not consented to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

**"Non-Performing Collateral Obligation"** means any Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any PIK Security as to which its issuer or obligor has previously deferred or capitalized any interest due on it and all the interest so deferred or capitalized has not subsequently been paid in full in cash by:

(i) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above, the earlier of its second payment date or one year, in each case, following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it; or

(ii) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "Baa3," or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "BBB-," the earlier of its first payment date or six months, in each case, following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it.

**"Notes"** means the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**"Noteholder"** means a Holder of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes.

**"Note Payment Sequence"** means the application of funds in the following order:

- (1) to the Class A Notes until the Class A Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (2) to the Class B Notes until the Class B Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (3) to the Class C Notes until the Class C Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (4) to the Class D Notes until the Class D Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (5) to the Class E Notes until the Class E Notes have been fully redeemed.

**"Offer"** means any Collateral Obligation that is subject to a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion or other similar action.

**"Officer"** means, with respect to the Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to the Co-Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to any partnership, any of its general partners; and with respect to the Trustee, any Trust Officer.

**"Outstanding"** means, with respect to:

(i) the Notes or any specified Class, as of any date of determination, all of the Notes or all of the Notes of the specified Class, as the case may be, theretofore authenticated and delivered under the Indenture, except with respect to Notes:

(A) Notes canceled by the Indenture Registrar or delivered to the Indenture Registrar for cancellation;

(B) Notes for whose payment or redemption funds in the necessary amount have been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any paying agent in trust for their Holders pursuant to the Indenture and if the Notes are to be redeemed, notice of redemption has been duly given pursuant to the Indenture;

(C) Notes in exchange for or in lieu of which other Notes have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to the Indenture; and

(D) Notes alleged to have been destroyed, lost, or stolen for which replacement Notes have been issued as provided in the Indenture, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Notes are held by a protected purchaser; and

(ii) the Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Preference Share Documents and listed in the share register of the Issuer as outstanding;

*provided* that, in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver under the Indenture, Securities owned or beneficially owned by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, any Affiliate of either of them and, with respect to any matter affecting its status as Servicer or appointment of a replacement Servicer or relating to an acceleration of any Class of Notes if the effect of the Servicer's action or inaction as a Holder of Securities would effectively prevent acceleration, the Servicer, its Affiliates and any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (other than, with respect to Notes or Class II Preference Shares, HFP or any of its subsidiaries; *provided* that, with respect to the voting authority of Notes or Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Trustee or the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) shall be disregarded and not be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver, only Securities that a Trust Officer of the Trustee (or with respect to the Preference Shares, only Preference Shares that an Authorized Officer of the Preference Shares Paying Agent) has actual knowledge to be so owned or beneficially owned shall be so disregarded. Securities so owned or beneficially owned that have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee or the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, the pledgee's right so to act with respect to the Securities and that the pledgee is independent from the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

**"Participating Institution"** means an institution that creates a participation interest and that has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" (and if so rated by Moody's such rating is not on watch for possible downgrade) and a short-term credit rating by S&P of at least "A-1" or, if no short-term rating exists, a long-term credit rating by S&P of at least "A".

**"Participation"** means a Loan acquired as a participation interest created by a Participating Institution.

**"Permitted Offer"** means a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion, or other similar action pursuant to which the offeror offers to acquire a debt obligation (including a Collateral Obligation) in exchange solely for cash in an amount equal to or greater than the full face amount of the debt obligation plus any accrued and unpaid interest and as to which the Servicer has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the offeror has sufficient access to financing to consummate the tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion, or other similar action.



**"PIK Cash-Pay Interest"** means, as to any PIK Security, the portion of interest required to be paid in cash (and not permitted to be added to the balance of such PIK Security or otherwise deferred and accrued) thereon pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments.

**"PIK Security"** means any loan or debt obligation on which any portion of the interest accrued for a specified period of time or until the maturity thereof is, or at the option of the obligor may be, added to the principal balance of such loan or debt obligation or otherwise deferred rather than being paid in cash; *provided* that such loan or debt obligation shall not be a PIK Security if the portion, if any, of such interest required pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments to be paid in Cash would result in the outstanding principal amount of such loan or debt obligation having an effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest at least equal to (i) if such loan or debt obligation is a fixed rate loan or debt obligation, 4% per annum, or (ii) if such loan or debt obligation is a floating rate loan or debt obligation, LIBOR.

**"Pledged Obligations"** means, as of any date of determination, the Collateral Obligations, the Workout Assets, the Eligible Investments, and any other securities or obligations that have been granted to the Trustee that form part of the Collateral.

**"Person"** is an individual, corporation (including a business trust), partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust (including any beneficiary thereof), unincorporated association or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

**"Portfolio Improvement Exchange"** means, the disposition, during the Replacement Period, of a Collateral Obligation and corresponding acquisition of one or more Collateral Obligations which in the aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Test, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied (or bring the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations closer to compliance with any such test or limitation) or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith would be improved and (ii) improving, on a net basis, the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test and Concentration Limitations and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased.

**"Preference Share Internal Rate of Return"** means, with respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the "XIRR" function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for the following cash flows, assuming all Preference Shares are purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount:

(i) each distribution of Interest Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date; and

(ii) each distribution of Principal Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date.

**"Preference Shares Distribution Account"** means a separate segregated non-interest bearing account established by the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deposit all amounts received from the Issuer and payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares under the Priority of Payments.

**"Preference Shares Paying Agent"** means State Street Bank and Trust Company in its capacity as Preference Shares Paying Agent under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable

provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter "Preference Shares Paying Agent" shall mean such successor person.

**"Principal Balance"** means, with respect to:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those specifically covered in this definition, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Pledged Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest, zero, except as otherwise expressly specified in the Indenture;
- (iv) any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, except as otherwise provided, zero;
- (v) any Collateral Obligation that has been loaned, its Principal Balance shall be reduced by the excess of the amount of collateral required over the actual Market Value of the collateral;
- (vi) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance shall include any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount), except as otherwise expressly specified in the Indenture;
- (vii) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance shall not include any principal amount of the PIK Security representing previously deferred or capitalized interest; and
- (viii) any Qualified Equity Security and any obligation or security that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, zero.

**"Principal Proceeds"** means with respect to any Due Period, all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are not Interest Proceeds.

Principal Proceeds shall include any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account into the Collection Account pursuant to the Indenture.

Principal Proceeds do not include the Excluded Property or earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

At any time when an "event of default" under a Securities Lending Agreement has occurred and is continuing, any payments received by the Issuer from the related Securities Lending Collateral shall be Principal Proceeds.

**"Priority Class"** means, with respect to any specified Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that ranks senior to that Class.

**"Proceeding"** means any suit in equity, action at law, or other judicial or administrative proceeding.

**"Proposed Portfolio"** means, as of any Measurement Date, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations and Principal Proceeds held as cash on deposit in the Collection Account and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account resulting from the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or a proposed purchase of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**"Purchase Agreement"** means a purchase agreement dated as of November 9, 2007 among the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchaser relating to the purchase of the Senior Notes, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance"** means, for any Collateral Obligation other than Deep Discount Obligations, its Principal Balance; and for any Deep Discount Obligation its Purchase Price; *provided, however*, that if any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations exist, the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance for the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations shall be the lower of (i) the weighted average Market Value of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances and (ii) the product of (a) 70% and (b) their respective Principal Balance.

**"Purchase Price"** means, with respect to the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (other than any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation), the net purchase price paid by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation. The net purchase price is determined by subtracting from the purchase price the amount of any Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal and any syndication and other upfront fees paid to the Issuer and by adding the amount of any related transaction costs (including assignment fees) paid by the Issuer to the seller of the Collateral Obligation or its agent.

**"Purchase Price Amount"** means, respect to any Collateral Obligation on any date of determination, the product of (i) the Purchase Price (stated as a percentage) thereof and (ii) the Principal Balance thereof on such date.

**"Qualified Equity Security"** means any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that is stock or evidence of an interest in or a right to buy stock, or any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation but whose acquisition otherwise is a transaction in stocks or securities within the meaning of Section 864(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Code and the regulations under the Code. Qualified Equity Securities do not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation and that will cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in or having income from a United States trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes by virtue of its ownership or disposition of the obligation (without regard to the Issuer's other activities).

**"Ramp-Up Period"** means the period from and including the Closing Date to and including the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

**"Rating Agency"** means, each of Moody's and S&P or, with respect to Pledged Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or S&P ceases to provide rating services with respect to high yield debt securities, any other nationally recognized statistical rating organization selected by the Issuer and reasonably satisfactory to a Majority of each Class of Notes. If at any time Moody's ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of Moody's in the Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used. If at any time S&P ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of S&P in the Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and S&P published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used.

**"Rating Condition"** means, with respect to any Rating Agency and any action taken or to be taken under the Indenture, a condition that is satisfied when the Rating Agency has confirmed to the Servicer (as agent for the Issuer) in writing that no withdrawal, reduction, suspension, or other adverse action with respect to any then current rating by it (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes will occur as a result of the action. The Rating Condition with respect to any Rating Agency shall be satisfied for all purposes of the Indenture at any time when no Outstanding Notes are rated by it.

**"Rating Confirmation"** means confirmation in writing from each Rating Agency that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes; provided however, that in the case of Refinancing Notes, a Moody's rating will be obtained for such Refinancing Notes and a Rating Confirmation with respect to such Refinancing Notes shall mean (i) with respect to S&P, confirmation in writing from S&P that the rating of each Class of Refinancing Notes will be no lower

than the rating on each corresponding Class of Notes subject to such Refinancing and (ii) with respect to Moody's, that the Moody's rating of each Class of Refinancing Notes will be no lower than the rating on each corresponding Class of Notes subject to such Refinancing; provided further that if the terms of such Refinancing Notes are the same as the terms of the corresponding Class of Notes subject to Refinancing (other than with respect to the coupon thereof), it is expected that the cost of obtaining such rating from Moody's shall be no more than the cost of obtaining a Rating Confirmation.

**"Ratings Matrix"** means the "row/column combination" of the table below selected by the Servicer on the Closing Date to apply initially for purposes of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test. Thereafter, on notice to the Trustee, the Servicer may select a different row of the Ratings Matrix to apply, or may interpolate between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable, on a straight-line basis and round the results to two decimal points.

Minimum Weighted Average Spread	Minimum Diversity Score								
	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90
2.20%	2150	2175	2200	2210	2240	2280	2300	2315	2335
2.25%	2225	2255	2270	2280	2300	2315	2345	2360	2390
2.30%	2250	2300	2335	2350	2375	2390	2400	2425	2450
2.35%	2275	2325	2355	2375	2405	2415	2430	2450	2480
2.40%	2315	2370	2390	2410	2435	2450	2475	2495	2500
2.45%	2345	2385	2425	2435	2450	2475	2500	2515	2535
2.50%	2360	2415	2445	2500	2515	2530	2535	2555	2575
2.55%	2380	2445	2500	2520	2540	2560	2590	2600	2610
2.60%	2405	2475	2510	2560	2590	2600	2625	2640	2660
2.65%	2440	2495	2520	2580	2610	2625	2640	2660	2680
2.70%	2460	2515	2540	2600	2625	2670	2680	2700	2730
2.75%	2480	2525	2560	2610	2635	2690	2700	2710	2770
2.80%	2505	2545	2590	2630	2660	2705	2725	2735	2800
2.85%	2525	2565	2600	2660	2700	2720	2740	2815	2830
2.90%	2540	2595	2635	2700	2720	2740	2800	2825	2850
2.95%	2560	2615	2655	2730	2765	2785	2825	2850	2875
3.00%	2585	2640	2675	2750	2785	2825	2850	2875	2900
Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor									

**"Recovery Rate Modifier"** means as of any Measurement Date, the product of:

(i) (a) the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate minus the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test (but not less than zero) *multiplied by* (b) 100; and

(ii) 55.

**"Redemption Date"** means any Payment Date specified for an Optional Redemption or the redemption of a Class of Notes in connection with a Refinancing under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption."

**"Redemption Premium"** means, with respect to an optional redemption or an Amendment Buy-Out of the Class A Notes that occurs during the period beginning on the first day after the Non-Call Period and prior to the first anniversary of such first day after the Non-Call Period (the **"Premium Anniversary"**), an amount equal to the product of (i) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Class A Notes to be redeemed, *multiplied by* (ii) the number of days from (and including) the applicable Redemption Date to (but excluding) the Premium Anniversary divided by 360 *multiplied by* (iii) 0.63%.

**"Redemption Price"** means, with respect to any Note and any Optional Redemption or Refinancing, an amount equal to:

- (i) the outstanding principal amount of the Note being redeemed; *plus*
- (ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest); *plus*
- (iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note; *plus*
- (iv) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note; *plus*
- (v) with respect to the Class A Notes, any applicable Redemption Premium.

With respect to any Preference Share and any Optional Redemption, "Redemption Price" means (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares of the remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications pursuant to the Priority of Payments or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case as specified in "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares."

**"Reference Obligation"** means an obligation that would otherwise satisfy the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and on which a Synthetic Security is based; *provided* that no Reference Obligation shall be a Synthetic Security.

**"Refinancing Price"** means, with respect to any Class of Notes that is subject to a Refinancing, an amount equal to the Redemption Price therefor.

**"Refinancing Proceeds"** means, the proceeds from any refinancing permitted under the Indenture.

**"Registered"** means, with respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment, means that it is issued after July 18, 1984 and is in registered form within the meaning of Section 881(c)(2)(B)(i) of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.

**"Regulation D"** means Regulation D under the Securities Act.

**"Relevant Obligation"** means, for a Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security and otherwise the Collateral Obligation.

**"Required Redemption Percentage"** means, with respect to (a) any Optional Redemption resulting from a Tax Event, the Holders of at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of any Affected Class or at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares and (b) any other Optional Redemption, a Majority of the Preference Shares.

**"Retention Overcollateralization Ratio"** means, as of any Measurement Date, the ratio obtained by dividing: (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator by (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes, excluding any Deferred Interest on any Class of Notes.

**"Revolving Loan"** means a Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation (in each case excluding any Delayed Drawdown Loan) that requires the Issuer to make future advances to (or for the account of) the borrower under its underlying instruments (including any letter of credit for which the Issuer is required to reimburse the issuing bank for under it). A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Revolving Loan for so long as its Commitment Amount is greater than zero.

**"S&P CDO Monitor"** means a dynamic, analytical computer model developed by S&P (and as may be modified by S&P from time to time) and provided to the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator

to be used to calculate the default frequency in terms of the amount of debt assumed to default as a percentage of the original principal amount of the Collateral Obligations consistent with a specified benchmark rating level based on certain assumptions and S&P's proprietary corporate default studies. For the purpose (and only for the purpose) of applying the S&P CDO Monitor to a portfolio of obligations, for each obligation in the portfolio, the rating of the obligation shall be its S&P Rating.

**"S&P CRR"** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation, a corporate recovery rate assigned by S&P to such Collateral Obligation.

**"S&P Industry Classification"** means the S&P Industry Classifications in Schedule 3 of the Indenture as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by S&P.

**"S&P Rating"** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following methodology:

(i) If there is an issuer credit rating of the borrower of the Collateral Obligation (the **"Borrower"**), or the guarantor who unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the Collateral Obligation (the **"Guarantor"**) by S&P, the most current issuer credit rating for such Borrower or Guarantor (*provided* that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating);

(ii) (a) if there is not an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation will be one subcategory below such rating; (b) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior unsecured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be such rating; and (c) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a subordinated obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be two subcategories above such rating if such rating is "BBB-" or higher and will be one subcategory above such rating if such rating is "BB+" or lower (*provided* that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating); or

(iii) if there is neither an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P nor a rating by S&P on an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating may be determined using any one of the methods below:

(A) if an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is publicly rated by Moody's, then the S&P Rating will be determined in accordance with the methodologies for establishing the Moody's Default Probability Rating, except that the S&P Rating of such obligation will be (1) one subcategory below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Baa3" or higher by Moody's and (2) two subcategories below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Ba1" or lower by Moody's; *provided* that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may be given a S&P Rating based on a rating given by Moody's as provided in this subclause (A) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable); or

(B) if no security or obligation of the issuer or obligor is rated by S&P or Moody's, and the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer has applied to S&P for a rating estimate and provided all relevant Information to S&P (at [Credit\\_estimates@sandp.com](mailto:Credit_estimates@sandp.com)) within 30 days of the acquisition (or, if such application is caused as a result of a rating withdrawal by S&P or Moody's, as applicable, the withdrawal of the rating by S&P or Moody's, as applicable) of such security or obligation, such security or obligation, pending receipt from S&P of such rating estimate, shall have an S&P Rating as determined by the Servicer in its commercially reasonable judgment; *provided* that, if the Servicer does not submit all relevant Information within 30 days of such acquisition or rating withdrawal, as applicable, of such security or obligation, (x) S&P shall endeavor to provide a rating estimate as soon as reasonably practical upon receipt of all relevant

Information, (y) during a period of 90 days (or such longer period as agreed to by S&P pursuant to a request made by the Servicer) from the date of such acquisition or rating withdrawal, as applicable, and pending receipt from S&P of a rating estimate, such security or obligation shall have an S&P Rating as determined by the Servicer in its commercially reasonable judgment and (z) if S&P does not provide a rating estimate within 90 days (or such longer period as agreed by S&P pursuant to a request made by the Servicer) of the date of such acquisition or rating withdrawal, as applicable, of such security or obligation, such security or obligation shall be treated as rated "CCC-" by S&P until such time as S&P provides a credit estimate; and

(C) any reference in this definition to an S&P rating estimate or estimated rating must be such rating provided by S&P in writing and any such rating shall expire after one year of its provision by S&P. The Servicer may re-apply for a credit estimate within 30 days prior to the expiration of such credit estimate, subject to the procedures specified in subclause (iii)(B) above; *provided* that, if an obligation identical to a Collateral Obligation is held in another fund managed by the Servicer and an estimated rating has been assigned by S&P to such obligation held in such other fund (and such estimated rating has not yet expired), such estimated rating, upon request by the Servicer to S&P, shall be applicable to the Collateral Obligation held by the Trustee under the Indenture;

*provided* that, if (i) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any positive "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be increased by one rating subcategory or (ii) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any negative "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be decreased by one rating subcategory.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the S&P Rating shall be (A) the rating assigned thereto by S&P if the rating is public, (B) the rating assigned by S&P if the rating is confidential, but only if all appropriate parties have provided written consent to its disclosure and use, (C) the rating assigned by S&P thereto through an estimated rating or (D) the rating assigned thereto by S&P in connection with the acquisition thereof upon the request of the Servicer. In the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a PIK Security, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Securities, the S&P Rating may not be determined pursuant to clause (iii)(A) above.

S&P Ratings for entities or obligations relevant hereunder other than Borrowers and Collateral Obligations shall be determined in a corresponding manner.

**"S&P Recovery Rate"** means, as of any date of determination, with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the percentage for such Collateral Obligation set forth in (x) the applicable table below, (y) the row in such table opposite the S&P CRR (or, if the relevant assets have no S&P CRR, the senior secured recovery rating, the U.S. loan recovery rating or the CDO liability rating, as applicable) of such Collateral Obligation (or, in the case of a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation unless otherwise specified by S&P) and (z) the column in such table below the initial S&P Rating of the respective Class of Notes; provided, however that (i) with respect to a DIP Loan or a Synthetic Security (other than a Form-Approved Synthetic Security that does not reference an index), the S&P Recovery Rate shall be the recovery rate assigned by S&P and with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation the S&P Recovery Rate shall be the recovery rate determined by reference to Table V or Table VI below, as applicable and (ii) the Issuer or the Servicer may request the assignment of a recovery rate from S&P with respect to any Collateral Obligation, any such assignment by S&P to be in writing (electronic or otherwise); *provided, further*, that if a Collateral Obligation is a Cov-lite Loan for which there is no S&P CRR and therefore Table IV would apply, the recovery rate for such Collateral Obligation shall be equal to 90% of its recovery rate as of such date of determination, unless otherwise provided by S&P upon request by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer.

**Table I (if the Collateral Obligation has a S&P CRR): Recovery Rates For Assets With Corporate Recovery Ratings**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC
<b>S&amp;P CRR</b>				(%)			
1+	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1	92	94	96	98	100	100	100
2	78	81	84	87	90	90	90
3	58	61	64	67	70	70	70
4	38	41	44	47	50	50	50
5	16	20	24	27	30	30	30
6	6	7	8	9	10	10	10

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\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table II (if the Collateral Obligation is a Senior Unsecured Loan and has no S&P CRR, but other senior secured corporate debt of the same obligor has a S&P CRR): U.S. Recovery Rates of Corporate Senior Unsecured Debt If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B & CCC
<b>Senior secured recovery ratings</b>				(%)		
1+	53	55	57	59	61	61
1	48	50	52	54	56	56
2	43	45	47	49	51	51
3	39	41	43	45	47	47
4	22	24	26	28	30	30
5	8	10	12	14	15	15
6	4	4	4	4	4	4

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\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table III (if the Collateral Obligation is a subordinated obligation and has no S&P CRR, but other senior secured corporate debt of the same obligor has a S&P CRR): U.S. Recovery Rates of Corporate Subordinated Debt If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B & CCC
<b>Senior secured recovery ratings</b>				(%)		
1+	25	25	25	25	25	25
1	22	22	22	22	22	22
2	20	20	20	20	20	20
3	20	20	20	20	20	20
4	10	10	10	10	10	10
5	5	5	5	5	5	5
6	2	2	2	2	2	2

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\* As of the Closing Date.



**Table IV (if none of Table I, Table II or Table III is applicable): S&P's U.S. Tiered Corporate Recovery Rates (for Collateral Obligations that do not have a S&P CRR)**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B & CCC
<b>U.S. loan recovery rates</b>				(%)		
Senior Secured Loans	56	60	64	67	70	70
Senior Unsecured Loans and Second Lien Loans	40	42	44	46	48	48
Subordinated Loans	22	22	22	22	22	22
Senior Secured Notes	48	49	50	51	52	52
Unsecured Bonds	38	41	42	44	45	45
Subordinated Bonds	19	19	19	19	19	19

\* As of the Closing Date.

\*\* The Aggregate Principal Balance of all Second Lien Loans without a S&P CRR (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that, in the aggregate, represent up to 15% of the Maximum Amount will have the S&P Recovery Rate specified for Second Lien Loans in the table above. The Aggregate Principal Balance of all Second Lien Loans without a S&P CRR (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) in excess of 15% of the Maximum Amount will have the S&P Recovery Rate specified for Subordinated Loans in the table above.

**Table V (if the Structured Finance Obligation is the senior-most tranche of securities issued by the issuer of, or obligor on, such Structured Finance Obligation): S&P's Ratings of Collateral Obligations at the Date of Issuance**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC
<b>Recovery Rate by S&amp;P's Rating of Class of Notes on the Applicable Measurement Date</b>							
AAA	80.00%	85.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%
AA	70.00%	75.00%	85.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%
A	60.00%	65.00%	75.00%	85.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%
BBB	50.00%	55.00%	65.00%	75.00%	85.00%	85.00%	85.00%
BB	45.00%	50.00%	55.00%	65.00%	75.00%	75.00%	75.00%
B	25.00%	30.00%	50.00%	55.00%	65.00%	65.00%	50.00%
CCC	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	5.00%	10.00%	10.00%

\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table VI (if the Structured Finance Obligation is not the senior-most tranche of securities issued by the issuer of, or obligor on, such Structured Finance Obligation): S&P's Ratings of Collateral Obligations at the Date of Issuance**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC
<b>Recovery Rate by S&amp;P's Rating of Class of Notes on the Applicable Measurement Date</b>							
AAA	65.00%	70.00%	80.00%	85.00%	85.00%	85.00%	85.00%
AA	55.00%	65.00%	75.00%	80.00%	80.00%	80.00%	80.00%
A	40.00%	45.00%	55.00%	65.00%	80.00%	80.00%	80.00%
BBB	30.00%	35.00%	40.00%	45.00%	50.00%	60.00%	70.00%
BB	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%	25.00%	35.00%	40.00%	50.00%
B	2.50%	5.00%	5.00%	10.00%	10.00%	20.00%	25.00%
CCC	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	2.50%	5.00%	5.00%

\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table VII: European Tiered Corporate Recovery Rates (By Asset Class And CDO Liability Rating)**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B & CCC
<b>CDO liability rating</b>						
<b>Senior secured loans</b>				(%)		
Group A**	68	73	78	81	85	85
Group B**	56	60	64	67	70	70
Group C**	48	51	55	57	60	60
<b>Mezz./second-lien/senior unsecured loans (%)</b>						
Group A	45	47	50	52	54	54
Group B	40	42	44	46	48	48
Group C	35	37	39	40	42	42
<b>Subordinated loans (%)</b>						
Group A	20	20	20	20	20	20
Group B	20	20	20	20	20	20
Group C	17	17	17	17	17	17
<b>Senior secured bonds (%)</b>						
Group A	60	61	62	63	64	64
Group B	48	49	50	51	52	52
Group C	43	44	45	46	47	47
<b>Senior unsecured bonds (%)</b>						
Group A	40	42	44	46	48	48
Group B	38	41	42	44	45	45
Group C	32	35	36	38	39	40
<b>Subordinated bonds (%)</b>						
Group A	18	18	18	18	18	18
Group B	18	18	18	18	18	18
Group C	15	15	15	15	15	15

\* As of the Closing Date.

\*\* Group A: U.K., Ireland, South Africa, and The Netherlands. Group B: Belgium, Germany, Austria, Spain, Portugal, Luxembourg, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, and Finland. Group C: France, Italy, Greece, and Switzerland.

**Table VIII: Group A European Recovery If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B &amp; CCC</b>
<b>CDO liability rating</b>						
<b>Mezz. loans/second-lien/senior unsecured loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	65	68	71	73	76	76
1	57	60	63	65	68	68
2	50	53	55	57	59	59
3	42	45	47	49	51	51
4	18	18	18	18	18	18
5	8	8	8	8	8	8
6	4	4	4	4	4	4
<b>Subordinated loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	22	22	22	22	22	22
1	20	20	20	20	20	20
2	18	18	18	18	18	18
3	18	18	18	18	18	18
4	9	9	9	9	9	9
5	4	4	4	4	4	4
6	2	2	2	2	2	2

\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table IX: Group B European Recovery If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B &amp; CCC</b>
<b>CDO liability rating</b>						
<b>Mezz. loans/second-lien/senior unsecured loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	53	55	57	59	61	61
1	48	50	52	54	56	56
2	43	45	47	49	51	51
3	39	41	43	45	47	47
4	18	18	18	18	18	18
5	8	8	8	8	8	8
6	4	4	4	4	4	4
<b>Subordinated loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	22	22	22	22	22	22
1	20	20	20	20	20	20
2	18	18	18	18	18	18
3	18	18	18	18	18	18
4	9	9	9	9	9	9
5	4	4	4	4	4	4
6	2	2	2	2	2	2

\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table X: Group C European Recovery If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B &amp; CCC</b>
<b>CDO liability rating</b>						
<b>Mezz. loans/second- lien/senior unsecured loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	45	46	48	49	51	51
1	41	43	44	46	47	48
2	37	39	41	42	44	44
3	33	36	37	39	40	41
4	16	16	16	16	16	16
5	6	6	6	6	6	6
6	3	3	3	3	3	3
<b>Subordinated loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	20	20	20	20	20	20
1	17	17	17	17	17	17
2	15	15	15	15	15	15
3	15	15	15	15	15	15
4	8	8	8	8	8	8
5	3	3	3	3	3	3
6	1	1	1	1	1	1

\* As of the Closing Date.

In all recovery rate tables above, Note rating categories below "AAA" include rating subcategories (for example, the "AA" column also applies to Notes rated "AA+" and "AA-").

**"S&P Unrated DIP Loan"** means a DIP Loan acquired by the Issuer that does not have a rating assigned by S&P and for which the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P (as specified in the definition of "DIP Loan").

**"Sale Proceeds"** means all proceeds received (including any proceeds received with respect to any associated interest rate swap or security providing fixed annuity payments ) with respect to Collateral Obligations or other Pledged Obligations as a result of their sales or other dispositions less any reasonable expenses expended by the Servicer or the Trustee in connection with the sales or other dispositions, which shall be paid from such proceeds notwithstanding their characterization otherwise as Administrative Expenses.

**"Scenario Default Rate"** means, with respect to any Class of Notes rated by S&P, an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, consistent with S&P's rating of the Class of Notes on the Closing Date, determined by application of the S&P CDO Monitor.

**"Second Lien Loan"** means a Loan that (i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinated in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan other than a Senior Secured Loan with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such Loan, (ii) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest in or lien on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan, which specified collateral does not consist solely of common stock or shares issued by the obligor or any of its Affiliates or intangible assets and (iii) if such Loan does not have an S&P Recovery Rate assigned as part of a credit estimate, so long as such credit estimate is in effect, then, solely for purposes of determining the S&P Recovery Rate for such Loan, in the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment (with such judgment being made in good faith by the Servicer at the time of such Loan's purchase), the specified collateral for such Loan has a value not less than the outstanding principal amount of all debt senior to such Loan plus the S&P Recovery Rate applicable to such Loan multiplied by the outstanding principal amount of such Loan, which value may be derived from, among other things, the enterprise value of the issuer of such Loans (*provided* that the provisions of the

clause (iii) may be amended at any time, subject to Rating Confirmation from S&P, or in order to conform to S&P's then-current criteria for such Loans).

**"Secondary Risk Counterparty"** means any obligor Domiciled other than in the United States, any Participating Institution, any Synthetic Security Counterparty and any Securities Lending Counterparty.

**"Secondary Risk Table"** means, with respect to Moody's the table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty	Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
Aaa	20.0%	20.0%
Aa1	10.0%	10.0%
Aa2	10.0%	10.0%
Aa3	10.0%	10.0%
A1	5.0%	10.0%
A2 or below	0.0%	0.0%

With respect to S&P and solely with respect to Participations and Securities Lending Agreements, the table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty	Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
AAA	20.0%	20.0%
AA+/AA/AA-	10.0%	20.0%
A+	5.0%	20.0%
A or below	0.0%	0.0%

If any Secondary Risk Counterparty's long-term senior unsecured debt rating or short-term rating is on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P, then for the purposes of the table above, its rating by the Rating Agency putting its rating on credit watch shall be one rating notch lower for that Rating Agency.

**"Secured Loan"** means a Loan that is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**"Secured Parties"** means the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer and each Hedge Counterparty (and the Collateral Administrator and Preference Shares Paying Agent to the extent of Administrative Expenses payable to such parties as provided in the Indenture).

**"Securities Account Control Agreement"** means an agreement dated as of the Closing Date by and among the Issuer, the Trustee and the Bank, as custodian.

**"Securities Lending Collateral"** means Cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the relevant Securities Lending Agreement and that are pledged by a Securities Lending Counterparty as collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement.

**"Senior Secured Loan"** means a Secured Loan that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a valid and perfected first priority security interest in collateral that in the opinion of the Servicer has value at least equal to the amount of the Loan and that is not a DIP Loan.

**"Senior Unsecured Loan"** means a Loan that is not a Senior Secured Loan and is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**"Servicing Agreement"** means the Servicing Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Servicer, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Spread Excess"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose (i) numerator is the product of (A) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date over the Minimum Weighted Average Spread specified in the applicable row of the Ratings Matrix and (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date and (ii) denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date. In computing the Spread Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Fixed Rate Excess were equal to zero.

**"Structured Finance Obligation"** means any obligation (other than the Notes or any other security or obligation issued by the Issuer):

(i) secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool of receivables or other assets of U.S. obligors, or obligors organized or incorporated in Moody's Group I Countries, Moody's Group II Countries, Moody's Group III Countries or Tax Advantaged Jurisdictions, including portfolio credit default swaps and collateralized debt obligations, but excludes:

- (A) residential mortgage-backed securities;
- (B) collateralized debt obligations backed by Emerging Market Securities;
- (C) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by asset-backed securities;
- (D) market value collateralized debt obligations;
- (E) securities backed by "future flow" receivables;
- (F) securities backed by "trust preferred securities;"
- (G) net interest margin securitizations;
- (H) collateralized debt obligations a significant portion of which are backed by high-yield corporate bonds;
- (I) collateralized debt obligations a significant portion of which are backed by other collateralized debt obligations, other than collateralized loan obligations a significant portion of which are backed primarily by other collateralized loan obligations; and
- (J) obligations secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool of receivables or other assets where the obligors with respect to such receivables or other assets are non-corporate credit risks; *provided* that, for the avoidance of doubt, collateralized loan obligations shall not be excluded by this clause (J);

(ii) that has an S&P Rating;

(iii) that has a Moody's Rating and a Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate as specified in Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix; and

(iv) whose ownership or disposition (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) by the Issuer will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

In connection with the purchase of a Structured Finance Obligation, the Servicer shall obtain from Moody's the applicable Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate.

For purposes of the Diversity Test, multiple Structured Finance Obligations from CDOs serviced by the same Servicer or multiple Structured Finance Obligations issued by the same master trust will be considered to be obligations of one issuer.

**"Subordinated Lien Loan"** means a Secured Loan (other than a Second Lien Loan) secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**"Subscription Agreement"** means a subscription agreement between a purchaser and the Issuer entered into on or before the Pricing Date for the subscription of the Class E Notes or the Preference Shares, as applicable.

**"Super Majority"** means, with respect to any Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**"Synthetic Letter of Credit"** means a facility whereby (i) an agent bank issues or will issue a letter of credit for or on behalf of a borrower pursuant to an Underlying Instrument, (ii) the lender/participant pre-funds in full its obligations thereunder (provided that for the avoidance of doubt if funds are deposited to the Revolving Reserve Account with respect to such Synthetic Letter of Credit, such future funding obligations shall be deemed to be pre-funded) and upon such pre-funding, the lender/participant has no future funding obligations with respect to such Synthetic Letter of Credit and (iii) either (x) in the event that the letter of credit is drawn upon and the borrower does not reimburse the agent bank, the amounts pre-funded by the lender/participant are utilized by the agent bank to reimburse the agent bank for such amounts not funded by the borrower or (y) the agent bank passes on (in whole or in part) the fees it receives for providing the letter of credit to the lender/participant; *provided*, that, with respect to any Synthetic Letter of Credit, either (i) the related agent bank has confirmed to the Issuer that it will withhold taxes from fees paid to the Issuer, or (ii) if the Issuer, or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, determines in its reasonable discretion that it is probable that such Synthetic Letter of Credit will be subject to withholding tax, then the Issuer, or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, either (x) disposes of such Synthetic Letter of Credit or (y) establishes an account with the Trustee into which 30% of all fee income from such Synthetic Letter of Credit will be transferred and applied to the payment of any withholding tax imposed on the related fees received by the Issuer (it being understood that such reserved amounts shall be released and applied as Interest Proceeds at any later date if (A) the Issuer has received an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the Issuer is no longer responsible for any withholding tax payments on such Synthetic Letter of Credit or (B) the Rating Condition with respect to S&P (so long as any Class of Notes is rated by S&P) is satisfied with respect to such release of the reserved amounts).

**"Synthetic Security"** means any swap transaction, structured bond, credit linked note, or other derivative financial instrument providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a debt instrument (but excluding any such instrument relating directly to a basket or portfolio of debt instruments) or an index or indices (such as the "SAMI" index published by Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC) in connection with a basket or portfolio of debt instruments or other similar instruments entered into by the Issuer with a Synthetic Security Counterparty that has in the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment, equivalent expected loss characteristics (those characteristics, **"credit risk"**) to those of the related Reference Obligations (taking account of those considerations as they relate to the Synthetic Security Counterparty), if (i) it is either a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is

satisfied, and (ii) the Reference Obligations thereof have a Market Value equal to at least 85% of the Principal Balance of the Reference Obligation at the time the Synthetic Security is entered into.

Each Synthetic Security that is a credit default swap the Reference Obligations of which are Loans shall require each such Reference Obligation to be denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars.

The maturity, interest rate, and other non-credit characteristics of a Synthetic Security may be different from the Reference Obligations to which the credit risk of the Synthetic Security relates.

No Synthetic Security shall require the Issuer to make any payment to the Synthetic Security Counterparty after its initial purchase other than any payments represented by the release of any cash collateral posted by the Issuer from the Collection Account to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of the posted cash collateral. Collateral may be posted only to a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account. No Synthetic Security shall result in the Issuer being a "buyer" of credit protection.

The term Synthetic Security shall not include any Structured Finance Obligation or any Participation, but the Reference Obligation of a Synthetic Security may be a Structured Finance Obligation.

Each Synthetic Security Agreement shall contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those contained in the Indenture.

The ownership or disposition of any Synthetic Security (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) must not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

Unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" under any proposed Synthetic Security must not provide that its transfer to the Issuer is subject to obtaining any consents and must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation and satisfy the Concentration Limitations under the Indenture, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event" and if the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security is a Senior Secured Loan then the "deliverable obligation" under the Synthetic Security must also be a Senior Secured Loan.

No Synthetic Security may provide for any event other than bankruptcy or a failure to pay as a "credit event."

No Synthetic Security may provide for termination by the Synthetic Security Counterparty at any time (i) after a declaration of acceleration of Maturity of the Notes has been made upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, unless such declaration and its consequences may no longer be rescinded and annulled in accordance with the Indenture and liquidation of the Collateral has begun or (ii) upon an Optional Redemption, unless the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date has passed and no notice of withdrawal has been issued.

For purposes of the Coverage Tests and the Retention Overcollateralization Test, unless the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied in respect of any proposed alternative treatment, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.



For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in the Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in the Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligation.

With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, for purposes of: (i) calculating compliance with the Diversity Test, the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test, and the Concentration Limitations (other than limits relating to payment characteristics and except for clause 15, and the exception thereto, of the definition of "Concentration Limitations"), and all related definitions, and (ii) any other provision or definition of the Indenture involving a determination with respect to a Reference Obligation, the characteristics of such Reference Obligations shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each such Reference Obligation in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation. In addition, each Reference Obligation under such Synthetic Security shall be assigned a Moody's Rating Factor equal to the sum of the Moody's Rating Factor of (i) the related Reference Obligor, (ii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty of such Synthetic Security and (iii) the Synthetic Security Collateral of such Synthetic Security. In addition, the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate in respect of a Synthetic Security referencing multiple Reference Obligations pursuant to this paragraph shall be the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate as assigned by Moody's to each Reference Obligation underlying such Synthetic Security. For the avoidance of doubt, Reference Obligations upon which a Synthetic Security is based as described in this paragraph must meet the definition of "Collateral Obligation" to the extent provided in this definition.

If the Rating Condition must be satisfied to execute the purchase of any Synthetic Security, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall give each applicable Rating Agency not less than five days' prior notice of the purchase of or entry into any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Agreement"** means the documentation governing any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Collateral"** means, respect to any Synthetic Security, amounts posted to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account by the Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its obligations under the Synthetic Security, including (i) all Eligible Investments that mature no later than the Stated Maturity or (ii) floating rate credit card securitizations that are rated "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P that mature no later than the Stated Maturity in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account that are purchased with Synthetic Security Collateral; *provided* that any amounts described in clause (ii) above shall be hedged by a guaranteed investment contract or a total return swap which shall be subject to Rating Confirmation by S&P.

**"Synthetic Security Counterparty"** means any entity required to make payments on a Synthetic Security to the extent that a reference obligor makes payments on a related Reference Obligation.

**"Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction"** means one of the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the Netherlands Antilles or the tax advantaged jurisdiction of the Channel Islands, or such other jurisdiction that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto; *provided* that any Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction that is the jurisdiction of organization of an obligor of a Collateral Obligation other than obligors that are special purpose vehicles or issuers of Structured Finance Obligations shall have a Moody's foreign currency rating of at least "Aa2" and a S&P foreign currency rating of at least "AA-".

**"Tax Event"** means an event that occurs if either:

(i) (A) one or more Collateral Obligations that were not subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them have become subject to withholding tax or the rate of withholding has

increased on one or more Collateral Obligations that were subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them and (B) in any Due Period, the aggregate of the payments subject to withholding tax on new withholding tax obligations and the increase in payments subject to withholding tax on increased rate withholding tax obligations, in each case to the extent not "grossed-up" (on an after-tax basis) by the related obligor, represent 5% or more of Interest Proceeds for the Due Period; or

(ii) taxes, fees, assessments, or other similar charges are imposed on the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in an aggregate amount in any twelve-month period in excess of U.S.\$2,000,000, other than any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax with respect to any payment owing in respect of any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation.

**"Treasury Regulations"** means regulations, including proposed or temporary regulations, promulgated under the Code. References herein to specific provisions of proposed or temporary regulations shall include analogous provisions of final Treasury Regulations or other successor Treasury Regulations.

**"Trust Officer"** means, when used with respect to the Trustee, any officer in the Corporate Trust Office (or any successor group of the Trustee) including any director, vice president, assistant vice president, associate, or any other officer of the Trustee customarily performing functions similar to those performed by such officers in the Corporate Trust Office, or to whom any corporate trust matter is referred at the Corporate Trust Office because of his knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject and having direct responsibility for the administration of the Indenture.

**"UCC"** means the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the State of New York, and as amended from time to time.

**"Underlying Instrument"** means the loan agreement, indenture, credit agreement, or other agreement pursuant to which a Pledged Obligation has been issued or created and each other agreement that governs the terms of or secures the obligations represented by the Pledged Obligation or of which the holders of the Pledged Obligation are the beneficiaries.

**"Unfunded Amount"** means, with respect to any Revolving Loan or any Delayed Drawdown Loan at any time, the excess, if any, of (a) the Commitment Amount over (b) the Funded Amount thereof.

**"Unscheduled Principal Payments"** means any principal payments received with respect to a Collateral Obligation as a result of optional redemptions, exchange offers, tender offers, other payments or prepayments made at the option of the issuer thereof or that are otherwise not scheduled to be made thereunder.

**"Valuation Report"** means the accounting report, determined as of the close of business on each Determination Date, rendered in accordance with the terms of the Indenture.

**"Voting Record Date"** means, with respect to any vote by the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares in relation to the appointment or removal of the directors of the Issuer, (a) 15 days prior to the relevant shareholders meeting or (b) in the case of any vote by the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares exercised by written consent resolution, the date of such resolution.

**"Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon"** means, as of any Measurement Date, the rate obtained by:

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Fixed Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum rate at which it pays interest (other than, with respect to Collateral Obligations that are not PIK Securities, any interest that is not required to be paid in Cash and may be deferred), using only the effective after-tax interest rate determined by the Servicer on any Fixed Rate Obligation after taking into account any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction and any gross-up paid by the obligor);

- (ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);
- (iii) dividing the sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations that are Fixed Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and
- (iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, adding to the sum the amount of any Spread Excess as of the Measurement Date, but only to the extent required to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test.

**"Weighted Average Life"** means, as of any Measurement Date the number obtained by (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying (A) the Average Life at that time of each Collateral Obligation by (B) the Principal Balance at that time of the Collateral Obligation and (ii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance at that time of all Collateral Obligations.

**"Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor"** means the summation of the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation (excluding Eligible Investments) by its respective Moody's Rating Factor, dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) and rounding the result up to the nearest whole number.

**"Weighted Average Spread"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate obtained by:

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Floating Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum contract spread at which it pays interest (which (w) for PIK Securities for which interest has been deferred or capitalized, will be deemed to be zero, (x) for Collateral Obligations that would be PIK Securities but for the proviso in the definition thereof, will be deemed to be equal to the effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest applicable thereto (y) for any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, will be the per annum contract spread for the Funded Amount thereof and the rate of the commitment fee and such other fees payable to the Issuer for any Unfunded Amount thereof and (z) for any synthetic letter of credit, will be the all-in rate (including any fees payable to the Issuer by the underlying obligor) minus the applicable LIBOR), determined with respect to any Floating Rate Obligation that does not bear interest based on a London interbank offered rate, by expressing the current interest rate on the Floating Rate Obligation as a spread above a three month London interbank offered rate calculated in a manner consistent with the calculation of LIBOR;

- (ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);
- (iii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and
- (iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to pass the Weighted Average Spread Test, adding to that sum the amount of Fixed Rate Excess as of the Measurement Date.

**"Workout Assets"** means a Loan, High-Yield Bond, or Qualified Equity Security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation that the Issuer does not advance any funds to purchase that does not qualify as a Collateral Obligation.

**"Written-Down Obligation"** means as of any date of determination, any Structured Finance Obligation as to which the Issuer or the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, has been notified by the issuer of the Structured Finance Obligation that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Structured Finance Obligation and all other Structured Finance Obligations secured by the same pool of collateral that rank *pari passu* with or senior in priority of payment to the Structured Finance Obligation exceeds the aggregate principal balance (including reserved interest or other amounts available for overcollateralization) of all collateral securing the Structured Finance Obligation and such other *pari passu* and senior Structured Finance Obligations (excluding defaulted collateral).

**"Zero-Coupon Security"** means a security that, at the time of determination, does not make periodic payments of interest. A Zero-Coupon Security shall not include a security that is a PIK Security.

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INDENTURE, dated as of December 20, 2007, among GREENBRIAR CLO, LTD. (the "**Issuer**"), GREENBRIAR CLO CORP. (the "**Co-Issuer**") and STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, as trustee (together with its permitted successors, the "**Trustee**").

#### PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

The Co-Issuers are duly authorized to execute and deliver this Indenture to provide for the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes and the Issuer is duly authorized to execute and deliver this Indenture to provide for the Class E Notes, in each case issuable as provided in this Indenture. All covenants and agreements made by the Co-Issuers in this Indenture are for the benefit and security of the Secured Parties. The Co-Issuers are entering into this Indenture, and the Trustee is accepting the trusts created by this Indenture, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged.

All things necessary to make this Indenture a valid agreement of the Co-Issuers in accordance with the agreement's terms have been done.

#### GRANTING CLAUSES

The Issuer Grants to the Trustee, for the benefit and security of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer and each Hedge Counterparty (and the Collateral Administrator and Preference Shares Paying Agent to the extent of Administrative Expenses payable to such parties as provided hereunder) (collectively, the "**Secured Parties**"), all of its right, title, and interest in, to, and under, in each case, whether now owned or existing, or hereafter acquired or arising:

(a) the Collateral Obligations (listed, as of the Closing Date, in Schedule 1 to this Indenture and listed from time to time on such Schedule 1 as such Schedule 1 may be modified, amended and revised subsequent to the Closing Date by the Issuer) and all Workout Assets, including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles or supporting obligations (each as defined in the UCC) relating thereto, all payments made or to be made thereon or with respect thereto, and all Collateral Obligations and Workout Assets including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles (as defined in the UCC) relating thereto, which are delivered or credited to the Trustee, or for which a Security Entitlement is delivered or credited to the Trustee or which are credited to one or more of the Issuer Accounts on or after the Closing Date and all payments made or to be made thereon or with respect thereto;

(b) the Custodial Account, the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Securities Lending Account (collectively, the "**Issuer Accounts**"), Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, and all income from funds in the Issuer Accounts;

(c) the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account (and, together with the Issuer Accounts, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the "**Accounts**") and assets included therein, subject to the terms of the related Synthetic Security (*provided, however*, that any such rights in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee (or Securities Intermediary) first to secure the Issuer's payment obligations to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty and second for the benefit of the Secured Parties);

(d) the Servicing Agreement, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Securities Lending Agreements and all Securities Lending Collateral and the Securities Lending Account, the Hedge Agreements as set forth in Article 15 and all Collateral securing the Hedge Counterparty's obligations thereunder including, without limitation, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Collateral Administration Agreement to the extent of any rights of the Issuer therein;

(e) all Cash or money delivered to the Trustee (or its bailee);

(f) all securities, investments, investment property, instruments, money, general intangibles, chattel paper and agreements of any nature in which the Issuer has an interest (except for money, securities and investments in the Issuer's bank account in the Cayman Islands), including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles or supporting obligations (each as defined in the UCC) relating thereto; and

(g) all proceeds with respect to the foregoing;

(all of the property and assets described in foregoing clauses (a) through (g), but excluding the Excluded Property, the "*Collateral*"). Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Collateral shall not include any Excluded Property.

These Grants are not intended to and do not transfer any liability under the Collateral, which liabilities shall remain the sole obligation of the Issuer. These Grants are made, however, in trust as separate trusts, to secure the Notes. Except as provided in Article 13 and the priorities set forth in the Priority of Payments, the Notes are secured by the first grant equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction between any Note and any other Note because of difference in time of issuance or otherwise. The Grants are made to secure, in accordance with the priorities in the Priority of Payments and Article 13:

(i) the payment of all amounts due on the Notes equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction between any Note and any other Note because of difference in time of issuance or otherwise, in accordance with their terms;

(ii) the payment of all other sums payable under this Indenture (including without limitation, Administrative Expenses, but excluding amounts payable in respect of the Preference Shares);

(iii) the payment of sums payable to any Hedge Counterparty under a Hedge Agreement;

(iv) the payment of sums payable to the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement; and

(v) compliance with this Indenture;

(collectively, the "*Secured Obligations*"), all as provided in this Indenture.

The Trustee acknowledges the Grants, accepts the trusts under this Indenture in accordance with this Indenture, and agrees to perform its duties in this Indenture in accordance with the provisions hereof.

## ARTICLE 1

### DEFINITIONS

#### Section 1.1. *Definitions.*

Except as otherwise specified in this Indenture or as the context may otherwise require, the following terms have the respective meanings provided below for all purposes of this Indenture.

**"25% Limitation":** The limitation imposed so that any purchase or transfer of Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares by Benefit Plan Investors from the Initial Purchaser or the Issuer and any subsequent transferee will be limited to less than 25% of the value of each of all Outstanding Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares by requiring each such purchaser and

subsequent transferee to make certain representations and/or to agree to certain transfer restrictions regarding their status as Benefit Plan Investors or Controlling Persons.

**"A/B Exchange"**: An exchange of one security (the "**A Security**") for another security (the "**B Security**") of the same issuer or issuers, which security shall have the same seniority, maturity and interest rate as the A Security except that one or more transfer restrictions applicable to the A Security are inapplicable to the B Security.

**"Accounts"**: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Accountants' Certificate"**: An agreed upon procedures report of a firm of Independent certified public accountants of international reputation appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8(a), which may be the firm of Independent accountants that performs certain accounting services for the Issuer or the Servicer.

**"Accrued Interest On Sale"**: Interest accrued on a Collateral Obligation at the time of sale or other disposition to the extent paid to the Issuer as part of the sale or other disposition price of the Collateral Obligation after deduction of any amount representing Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal"**: (i) interest accrued on or purchased with a Collateral Obligation as part of the price paid by the Issuer to acquire the Collateral Obligation less any amount of Interest Proceeds (applied as Interest Proceeds) applied by the Issuer to acquire the accrued interest at the time of purchase and (ii) interest accrued on a Loan that constitutes part of the price paid by the Issuer to repay amounts owed to the Pre-Closing Parties in connection with the financing of the Issuer's pre-closing acquisition of such Loan.

**"Act"**: The meaning specified in Section 14.2.

**"Administration Agreement"**: The Administration Agreement, between the Issuer and the Administrator, providing for the administrative functions of the Issuer, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Administrative Expense Cap"**: An amount on any Payment Date equal to the excess of:

- (a) the sum of 0.025% of the Maximum Amount on the related Determination Date plus \$250,000, over
- (b) the sum of the amounts paid for Administrative Expenses in the twelve months preceding the current Payment Date.

**"Administrative Expenses"**: Amounts due or accrued representing

- (i) tax preparation, filing, and registration fees or expenses and any other filing and registration fees owed by the Co-Issuers (including all filing, registration, and annual return fees payable to the Cayman Islands government and registered office fees);
- (ii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Trustee (including all amounts under Section 6.8), the Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Collateral Administrator;
- (iii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Co-Issuers and of accountants, agents, and counsel for either of the Co-Issuers;

(iv) fees and expenses of the Rating Agencies in connection with any rating of the Collateral (requested by the Issuer or the Servicer) or the Notes owed by either Co-Issuer (including fees and expenses for ongoing surveillance, credit estimates and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies);

(v) expenses and indemnities (but not Servicing Fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;

(vi) fees, indemnities and expenses for third-party loan pricing services and accountants; and

(vii) amounts due (other than indemnities) to any other Person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for in this Indenture, including fees or expenses in connection with any Securities Lending Agreement.

**"Administrator"**: Maples Finance Limited, or any successor thereto appointed under the Administration Agreement.

**"Affected Class"**: Any Class of Notes that, as a result of the occurrence of a Tax Event, has received, or will receive less than the aggregate amount of principal and interest that would otherwise have been payable to such Class on the Payment Date related to the Due Period with respect to which such Tax Event occurs.

**"Affiliate" or "Affiliated"**: With respect to a Person,

(i) any other Person who, directly or indirectly, is in control of, or controlled by, or is under common control with, the Person; or

(ii) any other Person who is a director, officer, or employee (A) of the Person, (B) of any subsidiary or parent company of the Person or (C) of any Person described in clause (i) above.

For the purposes of this definition, control of a Person shall mean the power, direct or indirect,

(A) to vote more than 50% of the securities having ordinary voting power for the election of directors of the Person; or

(B) to direct the corporate management and corporate policies of the Person whether by contract or otherwise (this does not include the Servicing Agreement unless it is amended expressly to provide those services).

For the purpose of this definition, the Administrator and its Affiliates are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Co-Issuers and the Co-Issuers are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Administrator, or any of their Affiliates.

**"Agent Members"**: Members of, or participants in, a Depository.

**"Aggregate Outstanding Amount"**: When used with respect to any of the Notes as of any date, the aggregate principal amount of such Notes on that date. When used with respect to the Preference Shares as of any date, means the number of such Preference Shares Outstanding on such date.

Except as otherwise provided herein:

(a) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(b) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(c) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes at any time shall include all Class C Deferred Interest attributed thereto;

(d) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes at any time shall include all Class D Deferred Interest attributed thereto; and

(e) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class E Notes at any time shall include all Class E Deferred Interest attributed thereto.

**"Aggregate Principal Balance"**: When used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Principal Balances of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Principal Balance means the sum of the Principal Balances of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**"Aggregate Purchase Price Amount"**: When used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Purchase Price Amount means the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**"Allocable Principal Balance"**: With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, the portion of the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security that is allocable to each Reference Obligation comprising such index or indices based upon allocating the Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security among such Reference Obligations in the same proportion as each Reference Obligation bears to the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security.

**"Amendment Buy-Out"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.6(a).

**"Amendment Buy-Out Option"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.6(a).

**"Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price"**: The purchase price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Securities purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the date of purchase payable to the Non-Consenting Holder (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), plus any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment, plus in the case of any Class A Notes, the Redemption Premium, and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since the Closing Date (and any amounts payable, if any, to the Non-Consenting Holder on the next succeeding Payment Date) would cause such Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); provided, however, that in any Amendment Buy-Out from and after the date on which the Non-Consenting Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price for such Preference Shares shall be zero.

**"Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser"**: The Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); provided that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Securities from Holders pursuant to Section 9.6, "Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the



Initial Purchaser or any of their Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; provided, however, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

**"Applicable Issuers" or "Applicable Issuer"**: With respect to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes, each of the Co-Issuers. With respect to the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares, the Issuer only.

**"Applicable Note Interest Rate"**: With respect to the Notes of any Class, the Note Interest Rate with respect to such Class.

**"Applicable Percentage"**: The lesser of the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation and the S&P Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation and the current S&P Rating of the Class A Notes.

**"Approved Credit Support Document"**: A security agreement in the form of the 1994 ISDA Credit Support Annex (ISDA Agreements Subject to New York Law Only), as modified by Paragraph 13 thereto.

**"Approved Pricing Service"**: Loan Pricing Corporation, Mark-It-Partners, Inc. or any other nationally recognized loan pricing service approved in writing by S&P.

**"Ask-Side Market Value"**: As of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any lent Collateral Obligation based upon the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations which are also Independent from the Servicer or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices could not be obtained, the higher of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations are also Independent from the Servicer or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices could not be obtained, the average of the ask-side prices for the purchase of such Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer); provided that if the Ask-Side Market Value of any lent Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the outstanding principal balance thereof.

**"Assigned Moody's Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Authenticating Agent"**: With respect to the Notes, the Trustee or the person designated by the Trustee to authenticate the Notes on behalf of the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.15.

**"Authorized Officer"**: With respect to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, any Officer or agent who is authorized to act for the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as applicable, in matters relating to, and binding on, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. With respect to the Servicer, any managing member, Officer, manager, employee, partner or agent of the Servicer who is authorized to act for the Servicer in matters relating to, and binding on, the Servicer with respect to the subject matter of the request, certificate, or order in question. With respect to the Trustee or any other bank or trust company acting as trustee of an express trust or as custodian, a Trust Officer. With respect to the Preference Share Paying Agent, the persons constituting Authorized Officers of the Trustee under this Indenture. Each party may receive and accept a certification of the authority of any other party as conclusive evidence of the authority of any Person to act, and the certification may be considered as in full force and effect until receipt by the other party of written notice to the contrary.

**"Average Life"**: As of any Measurement Date with respect to any Collateral Obligation (other than any Defaulted Collateral Obligation), the quotient obtained by dividing:



- (i) the sum of the products of:
  - (A) the number of years (rounded to the nearest hundredth) from the Measurement Date to the respective dates of each successive scheduled payment of principal of the Collateral Obligation, and
  - (B) the respective amounts of the successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation, by
- (ii) the sum of all successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Bank"**: State Street Bank and Trust Company, in its individual capacity and not as Trustee.

**"Bankruptcy Code"**: The U.S. Bankruptcy Code, Title 11 of the United States Code.

**"Bankruptcy Law"**: The Bankruptcy Code, Part V of the Companies Law (2007 Revision) of the Cayman Islands and the Bankruptcy Law (1997 Revision) of the Cayman Islands.

**"Beneficial Owner"**: Any person owning an interest in a Global Note as reflected on the books of the Depository or on the books of an Agent Member or on the books of an indirect participant for which an Agent Member acts as agent.

**"Benefit Plan Investor"**: The term "benefit plan investor" includes (a) an employee benefit plan (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) that is subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA, (b) a plan as defined in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code, (c) any entity whose underlying assets include "plan assets" by reason of any such employee benefit plan's or plan's investment in the entity or (d) as such term is otherwise defined in any regulations promulgated by the U.S. Department of Labor under Section 3(42) of ERISA.

**"Board Resolution"**: With respect to the Issuer, a resolution of the board of directors of the Issuer and, with respect to the Co-Issuer, a resolution of the board of directors of the Co-Issuer.

**"Business Day"**: A day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in New York City and any other city in which the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee is located and, in the case of the final payment of principal of any Note, the place of presentation of the Note designated by the Trustee; provided, however, that, for purposes of determining LIBOR, "Business Day" must also be a day on which dealings in deposits in Dollars are transacted in the London interbank market. To the extent action is required of the Irish Paying Agent, Dublin, Ireland shall be considered in determining "Business Day" for purposes of determining when actions by the Irish Paying Agent are required.

**"Calculation Agent"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.16.

**"Cash"**: Such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for payment of all public and private debts.

**"CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations"**: The Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have (i) a Moody's Rating below "B3" and/or (ii) an S&P Rating below "B-".

**"CCC+/Caa1 Excess Market Value Percentage"**: The percentage equivalent of a fraction, the numerator of which is the aggregate Market Value of CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations (in order of ascending Market Value Percentage, starting with the CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation with the lowest Market Value Percentage) with an aggregate Principal Balance equal to Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral

Obligations and the denominator of which is an amount equal to the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations.

**"Certificate of Authentication"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.1.

**"Certificated Class E Note"**: The meaning set forth in Section 2.2(e).

**"Certificated Security (UCC)"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(4) of the UCC.

**"Class"**: All of the Notes having the same priority and the same Stated Maturity and all of the Preference Shares.

**"Class A Notes"**: The Class A Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class A/B Coverage Tests"**: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes.

**"Class B Notes"**: The Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class C Coverage Tests"**: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class C Notes.

**"Class C Deferred Interest"**: Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C Notes.

**"Class C Notes"**: The Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class D Coverage Tests"**: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class D Notes.

**"Class D Deferred Interest"**: Deferred Interest with respect to the Class D Notes.

**"Class D Notes"**: The Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Issuer pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class E Coverage Tests"**: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class E Notes.

**"Class E Deferred Interest"**: Deferred Interest with respect to the Class E Notes.

**"Class E Notes"**: The Class E Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Issuer pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class I Preference Shares"**: The Class I Preference Shares issued by the Issuer pursuant to the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association and the resolutions of the Issuer's board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

**"Class II Preference Share Percentage"**: For any Payment Date, a fraction, expressed as a percentage, the numerator of which is the number of Outstanding Class II Preference Shares on such Payment Date and the denominator of which is the total number of Outstanding Preference Shares on such Payment Date.

**"Class II Preference Share Portion":** For any Payment Date, 100% minus the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date.

**"Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment":** For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Senior Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**"Class II Preference Share Special Payment":** Collectively, the Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment, the Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment and the Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment.

**"Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account":** The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(i).

**"Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment":** For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Subordinated Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**"Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment":** For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**"Class II Preference Shares":** The Class II Preference Shares issued by the Issuer pursuant to the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association and the resolutions of the Issuer's board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

**"Clearing Agency":** An organization registered as a "clearing agency" pursuant to Section 17A of the Exchange Act.

**"Clearing Corporation":** The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(5) of the UCC.

**"Clearing Corporation Security":** A "security" (as defined in Section 8-102(a)(15) of the UCC) that (i) is a debt or equity security and (ii) is in the custody of or maintained on the books of a Clearing Corporation or its nominee.

**"Clearstream":** Clearstream Banking, société anonyme, a corporation organized under the laws of the Duchy of Luxembourg.

**"Closing Date":** December 20, 2007.

**"Closing Date Expense Account":** The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(g).

**"Co-Issuer":** The person named as such on the first page of this Indenture.

**"Co-Issuers":** The Issuer and the Co-Issuer.

**"Code":** The United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

**"Collateral":** The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Collateral Administration Agreement":** The agreement dated as of the Closing Date among the Issuer, the Servicer, and the Collateral Administrator, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Collateral Administrator"**: State Street Bank and Trust Company, in its capacity as collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement.

**"Collateral Obligation"**: Any obligation or security that, when the Issuer commits to purchase (or otherwise acquire) the obligation or security, is a Loan, High-Yield Bond, Structured Finance Obligation, or Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that is a Loan, a Structured Finance Obligation or High-Yield Bond that is:

- (1) denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars and is not convertible by its obligor into any other currency;
- (2) an obligation of an obligor Domiciled in an Eligible Country;
- (3) an obligation that is eligible by its terms to be assigned to the Issuer and pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral;
- (4) not an exchangeable or convertible security;
- (5) not an equity security or a component of an equity security or a security that has a component that is an equity security (other than for avoidance of doubt, a pass-through trust certificate in a trust holding Collateral Obligations that is rated by a nationally-recognized credit rating agency);
- (6) not an obligation or security that has been called for redemption and not an obligation or security that is the subject of an Offer other than a Permitted Offer or an exchange offer in which a security that is not registered under the Securities Act is exchanged for (i) a security that has substantially identical terms (except for transfer restrictions) but is registered under the Securities Act or (ii) a security that would otherwise qualify for purchase under Article 12;
- (7) an obligation that (a) has a Moody's Rating (including any estimated or confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored) and (b) has an S&P Rating (including any confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored), which S&P Rating does not have a "p", "pi", "q", "r", "t" or "f" subscript unless S&P otherwise authorizes in writing;
- (8) an obligation that is a Finance Lease (if it is a lease) and the Rating Condition with respect to S&P has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;
- (9) (a) an obligation that is not a Current-Pay Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation and (b) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that has a Moody's Rating of "Caa1" or lower or an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower, an obligation for which the Servicer has certified in writing that such Collateral Obligation is not a Credit Risk Obligation;
- (10) an obligation that (unless it is a High-Yield Bond) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness for borrowed money of the applicable issuer; provided that for the avoidance of doubt, this clause shall not prohibit the inclusion as Collateral Obligations of Subordinated Lien Loans or Second Lien Loans;
- (11) an obligation that (i) (unless it is a PIK Security) bears simple interest payable in cash no less frequently than annually at a fixed or floating rate that is paid on a periodic basis on an unleveraged basis and, in the case of a floating rate, computed on a benchmark interest rate plus or minus a spread, if any (which may vary under the terms of the obligation) and (ii) provides for a fixed amount of principal payable in cash according to a fixed schedule (which may include optional call dates) or at maturity (or a fixed notional amount in the case of Synthetic Securities);

(12) an obligation the payment or repayment of the principal, if any, of which is not an amount determined by reference to any formula or index or subject to any contingency under the terms thereof;

(13) an obligation the portion of which to be acquired (including through a Synthetic Security with respect to the Reference Obligation) does not represent, directly or indirectly, more than a 25% interest in the obligation;

(14) not an obligation with a maturity later than four years after the Stated Maturity of the Notes;

(15) an obligation upon which no payments are subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the obligor thereof or counterparty with respect thereto is required to make "gross-up" payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax on an after-tax basis (other than withholding taxes with respect to commitment fees, facility fees or other similar fees);

(16) not a Loan or Synthetic Security that would require the Issuer after its purchase of the Loan or Synthetic Security to advance any funds to the related borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty or permit the borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty to require that any future advances be made except for:

(A) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the Issuer deposits into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, respectively, the maximum amount of any advances that may be required of the Issuer under the related Underlying Instrument (as provided in Section 10.3(b)), and

(B) any Synthetic Security if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Synthetic Security, the Issuer posts cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) the Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of any future advances;

(17) if such obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation, such obligation:

(A) has been assigned a rating by both Moody's and S&P;

(B) has a Moody's Rating of "Ba3" or higher and an S&P Rating of "BB-" or higher; and

(C) has not been placed on the watch list for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P;

(18) not a Loan that is an obligation of a debtor in possession or a trustee for a debtor in an insolvency proceeding other than a DIP Loan;

(19) with respect to an obligation that provides for the payment of interest at a floating rate, an obligation for which such floating rate is determined by reference to the U.S. Dollar prime rate or other base rate, London interbank offered rate or similar interbank offered rate, commercial deposit rate or any other index that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto;

(20) in the case of a Synthetic Security, the Synthetic Security is one for which the counterparty or issuer, as the case may be, has a short-term debt rating by Moody's of at least "P-1" or long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" and, if rated "A3" by Moody's, such rating is not on watch for downgrade, and a short-term debt rating by S&P of at least "A-1+" or, if no short-term rating exists, an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "AA-" or;

(21) not an obligation that constitutes Margin Stock;

(22) not a Zero-Coupon Security;

(23) not an obligation that is currently deferring interest or paying interest "in kind" or otherwise has an interest "in kind" balance outstanding at the time of purchase, which interest is otherwise payable in cash;

(24) not a security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer;

(25) not an obligation the interest payments of which are scheduled to decrease (although interest payments may decrease due to unscheduled events such as a decrease of the index relating to a Floating Rate Obligation, the change from a default rate of interest to a non-default rate of interest or an improvement in the obligor's financial condition); and

(26) not an obligation that will cause the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the pool of assets to be required to be registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act.

Pursuant to the definition of "Synthetic Security," unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event."

**"Collateral Quality Tests"**: The Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Life Test, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the S&P CDO Monitor Test.

**"Collection Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.2(a).

**"Commitment Amount"**: With respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the maximum aggregate outstanding principal amount (whether then funded or unfunded) of advances or other extensions of credit that the Issuer could be required to make to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments.

**"Commitment Reduction"**: With respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, a permanent reduction (whether scheduled, mandatory, optional, or otherwise) in the related Commitment Amount.

**"Concentration Limitations"**: The limit set forth below with respect to a particular type of Relevant Obligation (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) as a percentage of the Maximum Amount:



	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(1) Senior Secured Loans and Eligible Investments	$\geq 90.0\%$
(2) Senior Unsecured Loans, Subordinated Lien Loans and Second Lien Loans	$\leq 10.0\%$
(3) Revolving Loans and the unfunded portion of Delayed Drawdown Loans	$\leq 12.0\%$
(4) DIP Loans	$\leq 7.5\%$
(5) PIK Securities	$\leq 5.0\%$
(6) High-Yield Bonds	$\leq 7.5\%$
(7) Structured Finance Obligations	$\leq 5.0\%$
(a) except that Structured Finance Obligations serviced by the Servicer may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 2.5\%$
(b) except that a single issuer together with any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) of a Structured Finance Obligation may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 3.0\%$
(c) except that Structured Finance Obligations that are (i) collateralized loan obligations primarily backed by other collateralized loan obligations and (ii) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by one or more credit default swaps (i.e., "Synthetics CDOs") may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 3.0\%$
(8) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States and Canada	$\leq 20.0\%$
(9) obligors Domiciled in Canada or any single Moody's Group I Country	$\leq 10.0\%$
(10) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group II Country	$\leq 5.0\%$
(11) obligors Domiciled in all Moody's Group II Countries in the aggregate	$\leq 10.0\%$
(12) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group III Country	$\leq 2.5\%$
(13) obligors Domiciled in all Moody's Group III Countries in the aggregate	$\leq 5.0\%$
(14) obligors organized in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction (other than Structured Finance Obligations)	$\leq 3.0\%$
(15) same S&P Industry Classification	$\leq 10.0\%$
except that Relevant Obligations belonging to two S&P Industry Classifications may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 12.0\%$
(16) single obligor and any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties)	$\leq 1.5\%$
except that up to each of five individual obligors and any of their Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties and any obligor under a DIP Loan) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 2.5\%$

(17) Fixed Rate Obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(18) Pay interest less frequently than quarterly but no less frequently than semi-annually	$\leq 7.5\%$
(19) Pay interest less frequently than semi-annually but no less frequently than annually	$\leq 3.0\%$
(20) Synthetic Securities	$\leq 20.0\%$
(a) except that Synthetic Securities that provide for settlement other than by physical delivery may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$
(b) except that Synthetic Securities that reference a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$
except that Synthetic Securities that reference a single vintage of such index may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 2.0\%$
(21) Participations including Synthetic Letters of Credit structured as a Participation ( <u>provided</u> that no Relevant Obligations may be a Participation in a Participation)	$\leq 10.0\%$
(22) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, in the aggregate may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 20.0\%$
(23) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, a single Secondary Risk Counterparty	$\leq$ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Individual Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating*
(24) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, all Secondary Risk Counterparties	$\leq$ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Aggregate Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating**
(25) Deep Discount Obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(26) CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(27) Long-Dated Collateral Obligations	$\leq 2.0\%$
(28) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements	$\leq 15.0\%$
(29) Collateral Obligations providing for interest at a non-London interbank offered rate (excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, the unfunded amount of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan)	$\leq 5.0\%$



(30)	Collateral Obligations that are Loans that are part of a credit facility with a total global aggregate commitment amount of less than \$75,000,000	≤ 10.0%
(31)	Synthetic Letters of Credit	≤ 5.0%
(32)	Current-Pay Obligations	≤ 5.0%

- \* Applicable long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P of such Secondary Risk Counterparty (using the limit for the lower of such ratings if different).
- \*\* Long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P at or below a level specified in the Secondary Risk Table (using the lower of such ratings for a Secondary Risk Counterparty, if different).

Subject to the rights in certain circumstances of the Servicer to determine otherwise as set out in Section 1.2(h), solely for the purpose of determining whether the Concentration Limitations are met, Eligible Investments and Cash will be treated as Senior Secured Loans and Floating Rate Obligations.

**"Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares":** With respect to any Payment Date, a Holder of Preference Shares that has consented by delivering an irrevocable written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent to a distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds on such Payment Date.

**"Controlling Class":** The Class A Notes, (voting together as a Class or group) so long as any Class A Notes are Outstanding; then the Class B Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class B Notes are Outstanding; then the Class C Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class C Notes are Outstanding; then the Class D Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class D Notes are Outstanding; and then the Class E Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class E Notes are Outstanding.

**"Controlling Person":** A person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) who has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or any person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to such assets, or any Affiliate of such a person.

**"Corporate Trust Office":** The corporate trust office of the Trustee at which the Trustee performs its duties under this Indenture, currently having an address of 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code: EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116, telecopy no. (617) 937-0517, Attention: CDO Services Group – Greenbriar CLO, or any other address the Trustee designates from time to time by notice to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Issuer, and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Trustee.

**"Coverage Tests":** Collectively, the Class A/B Coverage Tests, the Class C Coverage Tests, the Class D Coverage Tests and the Class E Coverage Tests applicable as of any Measurement Date.

**"Cov-lite Loan":** A Loan that (i) does not contain any financial covenants or (ii) requires the borrower to comply with an Incurrence Covenant, but does not require the borrower to comply with a Maintenance Covenant.

**"Credit Improved Obligation":** Any Collateral Obligation that (a) is sold pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange or (b) in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has improved in credit quality; provided that, in forming such judgment, a reduction in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment; and provided, further, that, if a Credit Rating Event is in effect, such Collateral Obligation will be considered a Credit Improved Obligation only if in addition to the above:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been upgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing positive credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under this Indenture;

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced a reduction in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Servicer (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's);

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has increased by at least 1.00% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Servicer (*provided* that this subclause (iii)(x) will be deemed satisfied if Market Value increases to 1.01%), or (y) in the case of a bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more positive than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, plus 3.00%, over the same period; or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation set forth in clauses (i) through (iii) above, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation set forth in clauses (i) through (iii) above for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Improved Obligation if:

- (i) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Improved Obligation; or
- (ii) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Improved Obligation.

**"Credit Rating Event":** An event that is in effect if the rating by Moody's:

- (i) of the Class A Notes or the Class B Notes has been withdrawn or is one or more rating sub-categories below its Initial Rating; or
- (ii) of the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes has been withdrawn or is two or more rating sub-categories below its respective Initial Rating.

For the purposes of this definition, any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not be effective if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody's has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Class A Notes, or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**"Credit Risk Obligation":** Any Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has significantly declined in credit quality and has a significant risk, with a lapse of time, of becoming a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; provided that in forming such judgment, an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such Collateral

Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment.

So long as a Credit Rating Event is in effect, no Collateral Obligation shall be eligible to be a Credit Risk Obligation unless in addition to the above, as of the date of determination:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been downgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing negative credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under this Indenture;

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced an increase in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Servicer (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's);

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has decreased by at least 2.50% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Servicer, and (y) in the case of a bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more negative, or less positive, as the case may be, than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, less 3.00%, over the same period; or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation set forth in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) above, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation set forth in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) above for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Risk Obligation if:

- (a) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Risk Obligation; or
- (b) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Risk Obligation.

**"Current-Pay Obligation":** A Collateral Obligation as to which:

(i) an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to its obligor or as to which its obligor is rated "D" or "SD" by S&P or its obligor has previously been rated "CCC-" by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;

(ii) no default as to the payment of principal or interest with respect to the Collateral Obligation is then continuing and the Servicer has delivered to the Trustee an Officer's certificate to the effect that the Servicer expects that the obligor will make payments on the Collateral Obligation as they become due;

(iii) (A) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is at least "Caa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 80% of its

Principal Balance or (B) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is less than "Caa1" or is "Caa1" and on credit watch with negative implications, the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 85% of its Principal Balance;

(iv) if an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to the obligor of the Collateral Obligation, a bankruptcy court has authorized all payments of principal and interest payable on the Collateral Obligation;

(v) there is a rating of at least "Caa2" by Moody's (if rated by Moody's) (provided that if such rating is "Caa2," such rating must not be on watch for possible downgrade by Moody's); and

(vi) the Servicer has designated in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligation as a Current-Pay Obligation.

If the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations exceeds 5% of the Maximum Amount, all or a portion of one or more Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance equal to the amount of the excess shall not be Current-Pay Obligations (and will therefore be Defaulted Collateral Obligations). The Servicer shall designate in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligations that shall not be Current-Pay Obligations pursuant to the preceding sentence as the Collateral Obligations (or portions thereof) that have the lowest Market Value on any applicable date of determination.

The Servicer may, with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, by notice to the Issuer, the Trustee, and the Collateral Administrator, change the definition of "Current-Pay Obligation" or how Current-Pay Obligations are treated in this Indenture, subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency.

**"Current Portfolio"**: At any time, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations, Principal Proceeds held as Cash on deposit in the Collection Account, and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account that exists before the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or before the acquisition of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**"Custodial Account"**: The custodial account established in the name of the Trustee pursuant to Section 10.3(a).

**"Custodian"**: The meaning specified in the first sentence of Section 3.2(a) with respect to items of collateral referred to therein, and each entity with which an Account is maintained, as the context may require, each of which shall be a Securities Intermediary.

**"Deep Discount Obligation"**: Until the average Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation, as determined daily for any period of 30 consecutive days, equals or exceeds 90%, any Collateral Obligation acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 85% of its Principal Balance. For such purpose, the Market Value Percentage of a Collateral Obligation on a day that is not a Business Day shall be deemed to be the Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation on the immediately preceding Business Day.

**"Default"**: Any Event of Default or any occurrence that, with notice or the lapse of time or both, would become an Event of Default.

**"Defaulted Collateral Obligation"**: Any Collateral Obligation or other obligation included in the Collateral:

(i) as to which there has occurred and is continuing a default with respect to the payment of interest or principal with respect to such Collateral Obligation, without giving effect to any applicable grace

period or waiver (provided that if the Servicer certifies to the Trustee in writing that such default is for non-credit related reasons, the related Collateral Obligation shall not be treated as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under this clause (i) unless and until such default has continued for a period of three (3) consecutive business days), but, in any case, only until such default has been cured;

(ii) the maturity of all or a portion of the principal amount of such Collateral Obligation has been accelerated as a consequence of a default (other than any payment default) under the instruments evidencing or relating to such Collateral Obligation; unless such default or event of default has been fully cured or waived and is no longer continuing and such acceleration has been rescinded;

(iii) with respect to which there has been effected any distressed exchange or other debt restructuring where the obligor has offered the holders thereof a new security or instrument or package of securities or instruments that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, either (x) amounts to a diminished financial obligation or (y) has the sole purpose of enabling the obligor to avoid a default;

(iv) (1) that is *pari passu* with or subordinated to other indebtedness for borrowed money owing by its obligor ("**Other Indebtedness**"), (2) the obligor has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (without regard to any applicable grace or notice period and without regard to any waiver of the default) on the Other Indebtedness, unless, in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid on the Other Indebtedness and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation and (3) the Servicer, provided that the related Collateral Obligation has not been downgraded after the default on such Other Indebtedness has occurred, determines (in its commercially reasonable judgment) that such Other Indebtedness is material;

(v) (other than a Current-Pay Obligation or a DIP Loan) as to which:

(A) an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to its obligor,

(B) the obligation is rated "D", "SD", "C" or "CC" by S&P or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn, or has previously been rated "CCC-" or lower by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn, or

(C) the obligation is rated "D" by Moody's or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn;

(vi) if the Collateral Obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation, it is rated "CC" or below by S&P, or it was rated "CC" or below by S&P but the rating has since been withdrawn, or it is rated "Ca" or below by Moody's, or it was rated "C" or below by Moody's but the rating has since been withdrawn;

(vii) that is a Participation that would, if the underlying Loan were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (v) above or with respect to which the Participating Institution has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Participation;

(viii) that is a Synthetic Security referencing a Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above or with respect to which the Synthetic Security Counterparty has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Synthetic Security; provided, however, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time: (x) a determination whether the Reference Obligations upon which such Synthetic Security is based



would, if such Reference Obligations were Collateral Obligations, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each of the Reference Obligations on which such Synthetic Security is based in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation and (y) the "Defaulted Collateral Obligation" for purposes of this clause (viii) shall be limited to the Allocable Principal Balance of each Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above;

(ix) that is a Written-Down Obligation;

(x) that is a DIP Loan as to which an order has been entered converting the debtor's chapter 11 case to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code; or

(xi) that is declared to be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation by the Servicer.

Any Collateral Obligation that is classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall cease to be so classified if the Collateral Obligation, at any date thereafter,

(1) would not otherwise be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this definition; and

(2) otherwise meets the Eligibility Criteria as of that date.

If any portion of a Collateral Obligation has a maturity later than one year after the Stated Maturity of the Notes due to a change in the payment schedule of the Collateral Obligation occurring after its acquisition by the Issuer, that portion of the Collateral Obligation shall be considered a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**"Defaulted Hedge Termination Payment"**: Any termination payment required to be made by the Issuer to a Hedge Counterparty pursuant to a Hedge Agreement upon a termination of the Hedge Agreement in respect of which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**"Defaulted Interest"**: Any interest payable in respect of any Class of Notes that is not punctually paid or duly provided for on the applicable Payment Date or at Stated Maturity.

**"Defaulted Interest Charge"**: To the extent lawful, interest on any Defaulted Interest at the Default Interest Rate.

**"Default Interest Rate"**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate equal to the Note Interest Rate payable on the Notes of the Class.

**"Defaulted Synthetic Security Termination Payments"**: Any termination payment required to be made by the Issuer to a Synthetic Security Counterparty pursuant to a Synthetic Security upon the occurrence of any "event of default" or "termination event" (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security) under such Synthetic Security as to which such Synthetic Security Counterparty is the Defaulting Party or the sole Affected Party (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security).

**"Deferred Interest"**: With respect to any specified Class of Deferred Interest Notes, the meaning specified in Section 2.8(a).

**"Deferred Interest Notes"**: The Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**"Definitive Notes"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.11(b).

**"Delayed Drawdown Loan":** A Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that

- (i) requires the Issuer to make one or more future advances to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments,
- (ii) specifies a maximum amount that can be borrowed on one or more fixed borrowing dates, and
- (iii) does not permit the re-borrowing of any amount previously repaid.

A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Delayed Drawdown Loan for so long as its unused commitment amount is greater than zero and for purposes of the Concentration Limitations only unfunded portions will count as Delayed Drawdown Loans.

**"Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account":** The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(b).

**"Deliver" or "Delivered" or "Delivery":** The taking of the following steps:

- (i) in the case of each Certificated Security (other than a Clearing Corporation Security) or Instrument,
  - (A) causing the delivery to the Custodian of the original executed certificate or other writing that constitutes or evidences such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument, registered in the name of the Custodian or endorsed, by an effective endorsement, to the Custodian in blank (unless such Certificated Security or Instrument is in bearer form in which case delivery alone shall suffice),
  - (B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument is credited to the applicable Account, and
  - (C) causing the Custodian to maintain continuous possession of such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument;
- (ii) in the case of each Uncertificated Security (other than a Clearing Corporation Security),
  - (A) causing such Uncertificated Security to be continuously registered on the books of the issuer thereof to the Custodian, and
  - (B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Uncertificated Security is credited to the applicable Account;
- (iii) in the case of each Clearing Corporation Security,
  - (A) causing the relevant Clearing Corporation to continuously credit such Clearing Corporation Security to the securities account of the Custodian at such Clearing Corporation, and
  - (B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Clearing Corporation Security is credited to the applicable Account;
- (iv) in the case of any Financial Asset that is maintained in book-entry form on the records of a Federal Reserve Bank ("**FRB**"),
  - (A) causing the continuous crediting of such Financial Asset to a securities account of the Custodian at any FRB, and

(B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Financial Asset is credited to the applicable Account;

(v) in the case of each Financial Asset not covered by the foregoing subclauses (i) through (iv) and (vi),

(A) causing the transfer of such Financial Asset to the Custodian in accordance with applicable law and regulation, and

(B) causing the Custodian to continuously credit such Financial Asset to the applicable Account; and

(vi) in the case of cash or money,

(A) causing the delivery of such cash or money to the Custodian,

(B) causing the Custodian to treat such cash or money as a Financial Asset maintained by such Custodian for credit to the applicable Account in accordance with the provisions of Article 8 of the UCC, and

(C) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such cash or money is credited to the applicable Account;

(vii) in the case of each general intangible (including any Participation in which the Participation is not represented by an Instrument or Certificated Security), by:

(1) either

(A) causing the filing of a Financing Statement in the office of the Recorder of Deeds in the District of Columbia, Washington, DC, within 10 days after the Closing Date, or

(B) (1) causing the Custodian to become and remain the owner thereof, (2) causing the Custodian to credit and continuously identify such general intangible to the relevant Issuer Account, (3) causing the Custodian to agree to treat such general intangible as a Financial Asset and (4) causing the Custodian to agree pursuant to the Securities Account Control Agreement to comply with Entitlement Orders related thereto originated by the Trustee without further consent by the Issuer; and

(2) causing the registration of this Indenture in the Register of Mortgages of the Issuer at the Issuer's registered office in the Cayman Islands;

in addition, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will obtain any and all consents required by the underlying agreements relating to any such general intangibles for the transfer of ownership to the Issuer and the pledge hereunder (except to the extent that the requirement for such consent is rendered ineffective under Section 9-406 of the UCC).

In addition to the methods specified above, any Collateral may be delivered in accordance with any other method specified in an Opinion of Counsel delivered to the Trustee as sufficient to establish a first priority perfected security (subject to customary exceptions and qualifications) interest therein.

**"Depository" or "DTC":** The Depository Trust Company and its nominees.

**"Determination Date":** The last day of any Due Period.



**"DIP Loan"**: Any Loan:

- (i) that has a rating assigned by Moody's (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by Moody's, the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by Moody's within five Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer) and a rating assigned by S&P (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by S&P, the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P within two Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer);
- (ii) that is an obligation of a debtor in possession as described in Section 1107 of the Bankruptcy Code or a trustee (if appointment of a trustee has been ordered pursuant to Section 1104 of the Bankruptcy Code) (a "**Debtor**") organized under the laws of the United States or any state of the United States; and
- (iii) the terms of which have been approved by a final order of the United States Bankruptcy Court, United States District Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, the enforceability of which order is not subject to any pending contested matter or proceeding (as those terms are defined in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure) and which order provides that:
  - (A) the Loan is secured by liens on the Debtor's otherwise unencumbered assets pursuant to Section 364(c)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code;
  - (B) the Loan is secured by liens of equal or senior priority on property of the Debtor's estate that is otherwise subject to a lien pursuant to Section 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code;
  - (C) the Loan is fully secured (based on a current valuation or appraisal report) by junior liens on the Debtor's encumbered assets; or
  - (D) if any portion of the Loan is unsecured, the repayment of the Loan retains priority over all other administrative expenses pursuant to Section 364(c)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code (and in the case of this clause (D), before the acquisition of the Loan, the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency).

**"Diversity Score"**: A single number that indicates collateral concentration in terms of both issuer and industry concentration, calculated as set forth in Schedule 4 to this Indenture.

**"Diversity Test"**: A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Diversity Score equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score. For the purposes of calculating the Diversity Test, any Structured Finance Obligation that is (i) a collateralized loan obligation (including any collateralized loan obligation primarily backed by other collateralized loan obligations), (ii) any Synthetic Security with respect to which the Reference Obligation is a collateralized loan obligation or (iii) any Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time will be disregarded.

**"Dollar"** or **"U.S. Dollar"** or **"U.S.\$"**: A dollar or other equivalent unit in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for all debts, public and private.

**"Domicile"** or **"Domiciled"**: With respect to each Collateral Obligation, either (i) the jurisdiction of incorporation, organization or creation of the related obligor or (ii) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with an obligor organized, incorporated or created in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction, the jurisdiction in which, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the related obligor conducts substantially all of its business operations and in which the assets primarily responsible for generating its revenues are located.

**"Due Date"**: Each date on which any payment is due on a Pledged Obligation in accordance with its terms.

**"Due Period"**: With respect to any Payment Date, for all purposes other than payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements, the period from the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date, from the Closing Date) up to but excluding the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the Payment Date (or in the case of the final Payment Date or any Payment Date that is a Redemption Date, through the Business Day before the Payment Date and for payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements the period from the day after the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date from the Closing Date) through the Payment Date).

**"Eligibility Criteria"**: The meaning specified in Section 12.2(b).

**"Eligible Collateral"**: (i) Cash, (ii) U.S. Treasury obligations, (iii) U.S. agency obligations or (iv) commercial paper obligations rated at least "P-1" by Moody's (and not on watch for downgrade) and "A-1+" by S&P, in each case to collateralize fully on a mark-to-market basis the obligations of a Hedge Counterparty under the related Hedge Agreement.

**"Eligible Country"**: The United States, Canada and any country classified by Moody's as a Moody's Group I Country, Moody's Group II Country or Moody's Group III Country and, in each case, has an S&P foreign currency rating of at least "AA" and a Moody's foreign currency rating of at least "Aa2".

**"Eligible Equity Security"**: An equity security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation by, or on behalf of, the Issuer that (i) is publicly traded on an Established Securities Market or (ii) the Market Value of which is higher than the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation with respect to which such equity security has been acquired by the Issuer.

**"Eligible Investments"**: Any Dollar-denominated obligation or asset that, when it is pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee under this Indenture, is one or more of the following:

- (a) Cash;
- (b) direct Registered obligations of, and Registered obligations the timely payment of principal and interest on which is fully and expressly guaranteed by, the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States the obligations of which are expressly backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, which in each case are not zero coupon securities;
- (c) demand and time deposits in, trust accounts, certificates of deposit payable within 91 days of issuance of, bankers' acceptances payable within 91 days of issuance issued by, or Federal funds sold by any depository institution or trust company incorporated under the laws of the United States or any state thereof and subject to supervision and examination by Federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or the debt obligations of such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company), at the time of such acquisition or contractual commitment providing for such acquisition and throughout the term thereof, have a credit rating of not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade, or "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P in the case of commercial paper and short-term debt obligations; provided that in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than "AA-" by S&P and "Aa3" by Moody's and a short-term rating of "A-1+" by S&P and "P-1" by Moody's, and if so rated, is not on watch for downgrade;
- (d) commercial paper or other short-term obligations with a maturity which, even after giving effect to any extendibility feature thereof, does not exceed 183 days from the date of issuance

and having at the time of such acquisition a credit rating of at least "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P; provided that, in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's and "AA-" by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(e) unleveraged repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clause (b) above entered into with a U.S. federal or state depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (c) above or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose long-term credit rating is not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade or whose short-term credit rating is "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof; provided that, if such repurchase obligation has a maturity of longer than 91 days, the counterparty thereto must also have at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(f) any money market funds (including any fund for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee serves as an investment adviser, administrator, shareholder servicing agent, custodian or subcustodian, notwithstanding that (A) the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses from such funds for services rendered (provided that such charges, fees and expenses are on terms consistent with terms negotiated at arm's length) and (B) the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses for services rendered, pursuant to this Indenture) (i) which funds have at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof a credit rating of "Aaa" and "MR1+" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, respectively (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or (ii) that are registered as money market funds under Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act and have a credit rating of "Aaa" from Moody's and "AAAm" or "AAAmG" from S&P (and not on credit watch with negative implications);

(g) a guaranteed reinvestment agreement from a bank (if treated as a deposit by such bank), insurance company or other corporation or entity organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (if treated as debt by such insurance company or other corporation or entity), providing for periodic payments thereunder during each Due Period; provided that each such agreement provides that it is terminable by the purchaser, without premium or penalty, in the event that the rating assigned to such agreement by either Moody's or S&P is at any time lower than the then current ratings assigned to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes; provided, further, that, at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof, the issuer of such agreement has a senior unsecured long-term debt rating, issuer rating or counterparty rating of at least "Aaa" by Moody's, a short-term debt rating of "P-1" by Moody's (and not on watch for downgrade), a short-term debt rating of at least "A-1+" by S&P and a long-term debt rating of at least "AAA" by S&P (and not on watch for downgrade); and

(h) such other obligations or assets for which Rating Confirmation has been received;

and, in each case, with a stated maturity (giving effect to any applicable grace period) no later than the Business Day before the Payment Date next succeeding the date of acquisition.

Eligible Investments on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account must have a stated maturity no later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase.

Eligible Investments may not include:

- (1) any interest-only security, any security purchased at a price in excess of 100% of its par value, any mortgage-backed security or any security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer;
- (2) any security whose rating assigned by S&P includes the subscript "r", "t", "p", "pi", "q" or "f";
- (3) any floating rate security whose interest rate is inversely or otherwise not proportionately related to an interest rate index or is calculated as other than the sum of an interest rate index plus a spread (which spread may be zero);
- (4) any security that is subject to an exchange or tender offer; or
- (5) any security that has payments subject to foreign or United States withholding tax.

Eligible Investments may include Eligible Investments for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee is the issuer or depository institution or provides services. Eligible Investments may not include obligations principally secured by real property.

**"Emerging Market Security"**: A security or obligation issued by a sovereign or non-sovereign issuer located in a country (excluding the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Netherlands Antilles, and the Channel Islands):

- (i) that is in Latin America, Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, or the Caribbean, or
- (ii) the long-term foreign currency debt obligations of which are rated below "Aa2" or "Aa2" and on credit watch with negative implications by Moody's or the foreign currency issuer credit rating of which is below "AA" by S&P.

**"Entitlement Order"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(8) of the UCC.

**"ERISA"**: The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended.

**"Established Securities Market"**: Any national securities exchange registered under Section 6 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or exempted from registration because of the limited volume of transaction; any foreign securities exchange that, under the laws of the jurisdiction where it is organized, satisfies regulatory requirements that are analogous to the regulatory requirements imposed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; any regional or local exchange; and any interdealer quotation system that regularly disseminates firm buy or sell quotations by identified brokers or dealers, by electronic means or otherwise.

**"Euroclear"**: Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear system.

**"Event of Default"**: The meaning specified in Section 5.1.

**"Excel Default Model Input File"**: An electronic spreadsheet file in Microsoft excel format to be provided to S&P, which file shall include the balance of Cash and Eligible Investments in each account and the following information (to the extent such information is not confidential) with respect to each Collateral Obligation or Reference Obligation in the case of a Synthetic Security:

- (a) the name and country of domicile of the issuer thereof and the particular obligation or security held by the Issuer,

- (b) the CUSIP or other applicable identification number associated with such Collateral Obligation,
- (c) the par value of such Collateral Obligation,
- (d) the type of obligation or security (including, by way of example, whether such Collateral Obligation is a bond, loan, Cov-lite Loan or asset-backed security), using such abbreviations as may be selected by the Trustee,
- (e) a description of the index or other applicable benchmark upon which the interest payable on such Collateral Obligation is based (including, by way of example, fixed rate, step-up rate, zero coupon and LIBOR),
- (f) the coupon (in the case of a Collateral Obligation which bears interest at a fixed rate) or the spread over the applicable index (in the case of a Collateral Obligation which bears interest at a floating rate),
- (g) the S&P Industry Classification for such Collateral Obligation,
- (h) the stated maturity date of such Collateral Obligation,
- (i) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation or the issuer thereof, as applicable,
- (j) the applicable S&P Recovery Rate, and
- (k) such other information as the Trustee may determine to include in such file.

**"Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations"**: The Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations in excess of 7.5% of the Maximum Amount on the relevant Determination Date.

**"Exchange Act"**: The United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

**"Excluded Property"**: (i) U.S.\$250 (attributable to the issue and allotment of the Issuer Ordinary Shares) and a U.S.\$250 transaction fee paid to the Issuer, the bank account in which those amounts are credited in the Cayman Islands and any interest earned on those amounts, (ii) any amounts credited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account and the Preference Shares Distribution Account from time to time and (iii) any Margin Stock.

**"Expense Reimbursement Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(c).

**"Extended Replacement Period End Date"**: If an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Replacement Period End Date (or, in the case of the first Extension pursuant to Section 2.4, the Payment Date in November 2018); provided that the "Extended Replacement Period End Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November 2030.

**"Extended Stated Maturity Date"**: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Stated Maturity Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Payment Date in November 2025); provided that the "Extended Stated Maturity Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November 2037.

**"Extended Weighted Average Life Date"**: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Weighted Average Life Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Weighted Average Life Date, August 2021); provided that the "Extended Weighted Average Life Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in August 2033.



**"Extension"**: An extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test pursuant to Section 2.4.

**"Extension Bonus Payment"**: With respect to each Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable beneficial owner set forth in Section 2.4(g), in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Class A Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class B Notes 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (3) in the case of the Class C Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (4) in the case of the Class D Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date and (5) in the case of the Class E Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

**"Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification"**: With respect to each Maturity Extension and each beneficial owner of Notes other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such beneficial owner acceptable to the Issuer to the effect that it held Notes other than Extension Sale Securities on the applicable Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof in the case of the Notes and wire transfer instructions for the Extension Bonus Payment and any required documentation thereunder.

**"Extension Conditions"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Determination Date"**: The 8<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to each Extension Effective Date.

**"Extension Effective Date"**: If an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extension Effective Date (or, in the case of the first Extension Effective Date, the Payment Date in November 2012).

**"Extension Notice"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Purchase Price"**: The purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with each Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the applicable Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since the Closing Date would cause such Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); provided, however, that if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Preference Shares shall be zero.

**"Extension Qualifying Purchasers"**: The Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); provided that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Extension Sale Securities from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.4(c), "Extension Qualifying Purchasers" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; *provided, however*, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

**"Extension Sale Notice"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Sale Notice Period"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Sale Securities"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Face Amount"**: With respect to any Preference Share, the amount set forth therein as the "face amount" thereof, which "face amount" shall be \$1,000 per Preference Share.

**"Finance Lease"**: A lease agreement or other agreement entered into in connection with and evidencing a Leasing Finance Transaction; provided that such Finance Lease shall have a rating by Moody's.

**"Financial Asset"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(9) of the UCC.

**"Financing Statements"**: Financing statements relating to the Collateral naming the Issuer as debtor and the Trustee on behalf of the Secured Parties as secured party.

**"Fixed Rate Excess"**: As of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose numerator is the product of:

(i) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date over the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test; and

(ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date,

and whose denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Fixed Rate Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Spread Excess were equal to zero.

**"Fixed Rate Obligation"**: Any Collateral Obligation that bears interest at a fixed rate.

**"Floating Rate Notes"**: The Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**"Floating Rate Obligation"**: Any Collateral Obligation that bears interest based on a floating rate index.

**"Form-Approved Synthetic Security"**: A Synthetic Security:

(i) (A) each of the Reference Obligations of which satisfy the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and could be purchased by the Issuer without any required action by the Rating Agencies, without satisfaction of the Rating Condition or which the Rating Agencies have otherwise approved; or

(B) each of the Reference Obligations of which would satisfy clause (A) above but for the currency in which the Reference Obligation is payable and the Synthetic Security is payable in Dollars, does not provide for physical settlement, and does not expose the Issuer to Dollar currency risk;

(ii) the Synthetic Security Agreement of which conforms (but for the amount and timing of periodic payments, the name of the Reference Obligation, the notional amount, the effective date, the termination date, and other similar necessary changes) to a form that has been expressly identified and approved in writing in connection with a request under this Indenture by Moody's and S&P;

(iii) a copy of the Synthetic Security Agreement of which has been delivered to the Holders of the Class A Notes by the Trustee at the expense of the Co-Issuers and upon being furnished with a copy of the same by the Servicer; and

(iv) that is with a counterparty with respect to which the Rating Condition has been satisfied by each of Moody's and S&P prior to the acquisition of any such Form-Approved Synthetic Security, and such approval has not been withdrawn.

Moody's or S&P may at any time, by notice to the Servicer, withdraw its approval of any such form. A withdrawal of approval shall have no effect on any Synthetic Security acquired, entered into, or committed to before the date on which the Servicer receives the notice of withdrawal.

**"Funded Amount"**: With respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan at any time, the aggregate principal amount of advances or other extensions of credit made thereunder by the Issuer that are outstanding and have not been repaid at such time.

**"GAAP"**: The meaning specified in Section 6.3(j).

**"Global Notes"**: Any Regulation S Global Notes or Rule 144A Global Notes.

**"Grant"**: To grant, bargain, sell, warrant, alienate, remise, demise, release, convey, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge, create, and grant a security interest in and right of setoff against, deposit, set over, and confirm. A Grant of the Pledged Obligations, or of any other instrument, shall include all rights, powers, and options of the granting party thereunder, including the immediate continuing right to claim for, collect, receive, and receipt for principal and interest payments in respect of the Pledged Obligations, and all other monies payable thereunder, to give and receive notices and other communications, to make waivers or other agreements, to exercise all rights and options, to bring Proceedings in the name of the granting party or otherwise, and generally to do and receive anything that the granting party is or may be entitled to do or receive thereunder or with respect thereto.

**"Hedge Agreements"**: Collectively, all interest rate cap or interest rate swap agreements between the Issuer and any Hedge Counterparty, and any replacement agreement entered into pursuant to Section 15.2.

**"Hedge Counterparty"**: Any counterparty, to the extent that when the Issuer enters into any Hedge Agreement with such counterparty, such counterparty satisfies the requirements of Section 15.2(b) (subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency).

**"Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(d).

**"Hedge Termination Receipt"**: Any termination payment paid by the Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer upon any early termination of a Hedge Agreement with respect to which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**"HFP"**: Highland Financial Partners, L.P. (an Affiliate of the Servicer).

**"High-Yield Bond"**: Any debt security, other than a Loan or a Structured Finance Obligation, that is either Registered or, if not Registered, (i) it is issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States, (ii) the payments on it are not subject to United States withholding tax and (iii) it is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**"Holder"**: Of any Note, the person whose name appears on the Indenture Register as the registered holder of the Note; and of any Preference Share, the person whose name appears in the share register of the Issuer related thereto as the registered holder of such Preference Share.



**"Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice"**: A notice substantially in the form of Exhibit G-2.

**"Incurrence Covenant"**: A covenant by the borrower to comply with one or more financial covenants only upon the occurrence of certain actions of the borrower including, but not limited to, a debt issuance, dividend payment, share purchase, merger, acquisition or divestiture.

**"Indenture"**: This instrument as originally executed and, if from time to time supplemented or amended by one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture entered into pursuant to this Indenture, as so supplemented or amended.

**"Indenture Register"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.6(a).

**"Indenture Registrar"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.6(a).

**"Independent"**: As to any person, any other person (including, in the case of an accountant or lawyer, a firm of accountants or lawyers, and any member of the firm, or an investment bank and any member of the bank) who

(i) does not have and is not committed to acquire any material direct or any material indirect financial interest in the person or in any Affiliate of the person, and

(ii) is not connected with the person as an Officer, employee, promoter, underwriter, voting trustee, partner, director, or person performing similar functions.

"Independent" when used with respect to any accountant may include an accountant who audits the books of the person if in addition to satisfying the criteria above the accountant is independent with respect to the person within the meaning of Rule 101 of the Code of Ethics of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

Whenever any Independent person's opinion or certificate is to be furnished to the Trustee, the opinion or certificate shall state that the signer has read this definition and that the signer is Independent within the meaning of this Indenture.

**"Initial Consent Period"**: The period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee mailed notice of a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2(c) to the Holders of Securities.

**"Initial Purchaser"**: Goldman, Sachs & Co.

**"Initial Rating"**: The ratings by Moody's and S&P with respect to each Class of Notes provided in the table in Section 2.3(a).

**"Insolvency Event"**: With respect to any person, means that:

(i) an involuntary proceeding shall be commenced or an involuntary petition shall be filed seeking:

(A) liquidation, reorganization, or other relief in respect of the person or its debts, or of all or substantially all of its assets, under any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar law now or hereafter in effect, or

(B) the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, conservator, or similar official for the person or for all or substantially all of its assets,

and, in any such case, the proceeding or petition shall continue undismissed for 30 days; or an order or decree approving or ordering any of the foregoing shall be entered, or

(ii) the person shall:

(A) voluntarily commence any proceeding or file any petition seeking liquidation, reorganization, or other relief under any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar law now or hereafter in effect,

(B) consent to the institution of, or fail to contest in a timely and appropriate manner, any proceeding or petition described in clause (i) above,

(C) apply for or consent to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, or conservator or for all or substantially all of its assets,

(D) file an answer admitting the material allegations of a petition filed against it in any such proceeding, or

(E) make a general assignment for the benefit of creditors.

**"Institutional Accredited Investor"**: An institutional accredited investor as defined in clause (1), (2), (3) or (7) of Rule 501(a) under Regulation D under the Securities Act.

**"Instrument"**: The meaning specified in Section 9-102(a)(47) of the UCC.

**"Interest Coverage Ratio"**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by dividing:

(i) the sum of:

(A) the Interest Proceeds received or scheduled to be received with respect to the Due Period in which the Measurement Date occurs, minus

(B) amounts payable under clauses (1), (2), (3) and (4) of Section 11.1(a)(i) on the related Payment Date, by:

(ii) all accrued and unpaid interest on the specified Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to the Class, including any Deferred Interest on the related Payment Date; provided that the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes shall constitute one Class of Notes for purposes of the Interest Coverage Ratio relating to such Classes of Notes.

For purposes of the Interest Coverage Ratio, only the amount of any interest payment (including any "gross up" payment) on any Collateral Obligation in excess of any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction on any date of determination shall be included in Interest Proceeds.

**"Interest Coverage Test"**: A test the first Measurement Date for which will be on the second Payment Date and that is satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level in the table below for the specified Class:

<u>Test</u>	<u>Required Level</u>
Class A/B Interest Coverage Test	114.5%
Class C Interest Coverage Test	109.6%
Class D Interest Coverage Test	106.1%
Class E Interest Coverage Test	104.0%

**"Interest Period":** Initially, the period from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the first Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date.

**"Interest Proceeds":** With respect to any Due Period, the sum (without duplication) of all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period (or as otherwise specified below) by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are:

- (i) payments of interest, fees, and commissions (excluding (A) Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal, (B) interest and dividends on Workout Assets, (C) fees and commissions from Defaulted Collateral Obligations, and (D) syndication and other up-front fees and any up-front fixed payments received in connection with entering into a Synthetic Security);
- (ii) any portion of the Sale Proceeds of a Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) representing Accrued Interest On Sale;
- (iii) all payments of principal on, or disposition proceeds from the sale of, Eligible Investments to the extent purchased with Interest Proceeds;
- (iv) payments with respect to the Hedge Agreements received on or before the related Payment Date (other than any amount payable thereunder because of any early termination or notional amount reduction), but not any Sale Proceeds from any of these instruments (except to the extent that they were purchased with Interest Proceeds);
- (v) all fees received pursuant to any Securities Lending Agreements;
- (vi) amounts in the Collection Account designated for distribution as Interest Proceeds pursuant to the Priority of Payments;
- (vii) all earnings on amounts in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account and the Revolving Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.3(b);
- (viii) amounts in the Expense Reimbursement Account on the Payment Date for the relevant Due Period;
- (ix) any recoveries (including interest) received on a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation in excess of the principal balance of such Non-Performing Collateral Obligation (as of the date the related Collateral Obligation became a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation and excluding from such principal balance any deferred interest on Non-Performing Collateral Obligations that are PIK Securities); and
- (x) Principal Proceeds designated by the Servicer as Interest Proceeds prior to the Determination Date related to the first Payment Date in an aggregate amount not to exceed U.S.\$4,000,000 in accordance with Section 10.2(f).

Interest Proceeds shall not include the Excluded Property and Interest Proceeds shall not include earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

Each reference in the definition of "Interest Proceeds" to a Collateral Obligation shall include a Collateral Obligation that has been loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and Interest Proceeds shall include any amounts referred to in clauses (i) through (iii) above received by the Issuer in respect of the Collateral Obligation indirectly from the related Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement.

With respect to any Payment Date, Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Interest Proceeds due and payable on such Payment Date to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date that are distributed to such Holders by way of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of Cash pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(i) will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds.

**"Interim Targets"** means, with respect to the Collateral on the Interim Targets Date, (i) a Minimum Diversity Score greater than or equal to 60, (ii) a Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor less than or equal to 2550, (iii) a Minimum Weighted Average Spread greater than or equal to 2.45%, (iv) the Collateral Obligations have an Aggregate Principal Balance of greater than or equal to U.S.\$940,000,000 and (v) a Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate equal to or greater than 44.00%.

**"Interim Targets Date"** means February 4, 2008.

**"Investment Company Act"**: The United States Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

**"Irish Paying Agent"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.2.

**"Issuer"**: The Person named as such on the first page of this Indenture.

**"Issuer Accounts"**: The meaning assigned in the Granting Clauses.

**"Issuer Order"** and **"Issuer Request"**: A written order or request dated and signed in the name of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, or by the Servicer by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

**"Issuer Ordinary Shares"**: The ordinary shares, par value \$1.00 per share, of the Issuer which have been issued by the Issuer and are outstanding from time to time.

**"Junior Class"**: With respect to a particular Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that is subordinated to that Class, as indicated in Section 13.1.

**"Leasing Finance Transaction"**: Any transaction pursuant to which the obligations of the lessee to pay rent or other amounts on a triple net basis under any lease of (or other arrangement conveying the right to use) real or personal property, or a combination thereof, are required to be classified and accounted for as a capital lease on a balance sheet of such lessee under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America; but only if (a) such lease or other transaction provides for the unconditional obligation of the lessee to pay a stated amount of principal no later than a stated maturity date, together with interest thereon, and the payment of such obligation is not subject to any material non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer, (b) the obligations of the lessee in respect of such lease or other transaction are fully secured, directly or indirectly, by the property that is the subject of such lease and (c) the interest held by the Issuer in respect of such lease or other transaction is treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

**"LIBOR"**: The offered rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent for any Interest Period, for three month Dollar deposits that appears on Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page (or 3750) as reported on Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News (or a page that replaces Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page (or 3750) for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), as of 11:00 A.M. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period.

If, on the second Business Day before the first day of any relevant Interest Period, that rate does not appear on Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page (or 3750) as reported on Bloomberg Financial Market Commodities News (or a page that replaces Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page (or 3750) for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), the Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks to prime banks in the London interbank market for three month Dollar deposits in Europe, by reference to requests by the Calculation Agent to four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) (the **"Reference Banks"**) for quotations as of approximately 11:00 A.M. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the Interest Period. If at least two of the Reference Banks provide quotations as requested, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean. If fewer than two Reference Banks provide quotations, LIBOR shall be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that one or more leading banks in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) are quoting to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period for three month Dollar deposits.

If the Calculation Agent is unable to determine a rate in accordance with any of the above procedures, LIBOR for the Interest Period shall be calculated on the last day of the Interest Period and shall be the arithmetic mean of the rate of interest for each day during the Interest Period determined by the Calculation Agent as being the rate of interest most recently announced by the Bank at its New York office as its base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans (or if the Bank ceases to exist or is not quoting a base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans, another major money center commercial bank in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer)).

For the first Interest Period and, unless the Maturity Extension occurs, the last Interest Period, LIBOR shall be determined based on the actual number of days in the Interest Period using straight-line interpolation of two rates calculated in accordance with the above procedure, except that instead of using three month deposits, one rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next shorter than the Interest Period and the other rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next longer than the Interest Period. All calculations shall be calculated to at least four decimal places and rounded to four decimal places.

**"Loan"**: Any interest in a fully committed, senior secured, unsecured, or revolving loan (including loans involving credit linked deposits and synthetic letters of credit) that is acquired by assignment or by Participation (including any DIP Loan) that is either:

- (i) Registered; or
- (ii) issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States:
  - (A) whose payments are not subject to United States withholding tax; and
  - (B) that is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**"Long-Dated Collateral Obligation"**: Any Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturity of the Notes other than a Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated

Maturities of the Notes that includes a "put" option to its obligor at a price of at least par payable on or before the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

**"Maintenance Covenant":** A covenant by the borrower to comply with one or more financial covenants during each reporting period, whether or not it has taken any specified action.

**"Majority":** With respect to any Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**"Margin Stock":** "Margin Stock" as defined under Regulation U issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, including any debt security that is by its terms convertible into Margin Stock, but does not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation received pursuant to an offer by an issuer of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**"Market Value":** As of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the lower of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the bid-side prices for the purchase of the Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer).

If a Market Value of any Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined in accordance with the procedures set out in the preceding paragraph for a period of 30 consecutive days then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero; provided, that during such 30 day period, such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to (a) the higher of (i) the S&P Recovery Rate for such Collateral Obligation and the then current S&P Rating of the Class A Notes and (ii) 70% of the Principal Balance of such Collateral Obligation or (b) if the Servicer has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation is lower than the amount determined pursuant to clause (a), such amount to be determined by the Servicer in its commercially reasonable judgment; provided, further, that the maximum amount of Collateral Obligations having a Market Value assigned pursuant to the immediately preceding proviso shall be limited to 5.0% of the Maximum Amount (and any amount in excess of 5.0% of the Maximum Amount shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero). For the avoidance of doubt, the procedures set out in this paragraph shall not apply to determinations of Market Value of any Eligible Equity Securities or Current-Pay Obligations.

The Servicer is under no obligation to determine the Market Value of the Collateral Obligations other than as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or this Indenture or to comply with any of its duties as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or in this Indenture.

**"Market Value Determination Date":** With respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities, one Business Day prior to the date of the notice distributed by the Issuer to the Holders of the Preference Shares in connection with such distribution.

**"Market Value Percentage":** For any Collateral Obligation, the ratio obtained by dividing:

- (i) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation; *by*



- (ii) the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Maturity"**: With respect to any Note, the date on which the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable as provided in the Note or this Indenture, whether at the Stated Maturity or by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise.

**"Maturity Extension"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Maximum Amount"**: An amount equal to:

- (i) on any Measurement Date during the Ramp-Up Period, U.S.\$992,377,774; and
- (ii) on any Measurement Date after the Ramp-Up Completion Date:
  - (A) the aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations plus the aggregate outstanding principal amount of any Defaulted Collateral Obligations; *plus*
  - (B) Cash representing Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
  - (C) Eligible Investments (other than Cash) purchased by the Issuer with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account.

**"Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor"**: As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the sum of (i) the number set forth in the column entitled "Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolation between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable) plus (ii) the Recovery Rate Modifier.

**"Measurement Date"**: Any date:

- (i) on which the Issuer commits to acquire or dispose of any Collateral Obligation;
- (ii) on which a Collateral Obligation becomes a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
- (iii) that is a Determination Date;
- (iv) that is the Ramp-Up Completion Date;
- (v) that is the date as of which the information in a Monthly Report is calculated pursuant to Section 10.6; and,

with respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities only,

- (vi) that is the Market Value Determination Date with respect to such distribution of Eligible Equity Securities.

**"Memorandum and Articles of Association"**: The memorandum and articles of association of the Issuer, as may be amended and restated before the Closing Date or in accordance with this Indenture.

**"Merging Entity"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.10.

**"Minimum Diversity Score"**: As of any Measurement Date, a score equal to the number set forth in the column entitled "Minimum Diversity Score" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**"Minimum Weighted Average Spread"**: As of any Measurement Date, the spread equal to the percentage set forth in the row entitled "Minimum Weighted Average Spread" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**"Monthly Determination Date"**: The meaning specified in Section 10.6(a).

**"Monthly Report"**: The meaning specified in Section 10.6(a).

**"Moody's"**: Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

**"Moody's Default Probability Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Moody's Group I Country"**: Any of the following countries: Australia, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group I Country.

**"Moody's Group II Country"**: Any of the following countries: Germany, Ireland, Sweden, Switzerland and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group II Country.

**"Moody's Group III Country"**: Any of the following countries: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, Spain and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group III Country.

**"Moody's Industry Classification"**: The industry classifications in Schedule 2 as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by Moody's.

**"Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate"**: As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the lesser of (x) 60% and (y) the number obtained by:

- (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate;
- (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations; and
- (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

**"Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan"**: Any Loan that is not a Moody's Senior Secured Loan.

**"Moody's Obligation Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Moody's Priority Category"**: Each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix" as a "Moody's Priority Category."



**"Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate":** For any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix" opposite the Moody's Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix":**

<b>Moody's Priority Category</b>	<b>Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Synthetic Securities .....	In the case of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to the Form-Approved Synthetic Security at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security by Moody's, and</li> <li>(ii) any other Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to the Synthetic Security at the time of acquisition of the Synthetic Security.</li> </ul>
Structured Finance Obligations .....	The Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the Moody's Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 5</u> by reference to the type of asset and its then Moody's Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that schedule does not apply, on a case-by-case basis in connection with the Grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
unsecured DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligations not covered above or below .....	As determined by Moody's on a case-by-case basis.

For High-Yield Bonds, Moody's Senior Secured Loans and Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is the rate determined pursuant to the table below based on the number of rating subcategories difference between the High-Yield Bond's or Loan's Moody's Obligation Rating and its Moody's Default Probability Rating (for purposes of clarification, if the Moody's Obligation Rating is higher than the Moody's Default Probability Rating, the rating subcategories difference will be positive and if it is lower, negative):

<b>Number of Moody's Rating Subcategories Difference Between the Moody's Obligation Rating and the Moody's Default Probability Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>High-Yield Bonds</b>
+2 or more	60.0%	45.0%	40.0%
+1	50.0%	42.5%	35.0%
0	45.0%	40.0%	30.0%
-1	40.0%	30.0%	15.0%
-2	30.0%	15.0%	10.0%
-3 or less	20.0%	10.0%	2.0%

If no Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate has been specifically assigned with respect to a Loan pursuant to the above table, and the Loan is a secured DIP Loan, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is 50.0%.

**"Moody's Rating":** The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Moody's Rating Factor":** The number in the table below opposite the rating of the Collateral Obligation (excluding Synthetic Securities where an Assigned Moody's Rating is not available).

<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>	<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>
Aaa	1	Ba1	940
Aa1	10	Ba2	1,350
Aa2	20	Ba3	1,766
Aa3	40	B1	2,220
A1	70	B2	2,720
A2	120	B3	3,490
A3	180	Caa1	4,770
Baa1	260	Caa2	6,500
Baa2	360	Caa3	8,070
Baa3	610	Ca or lower	10,000

The Moody's Rating Factor for Collateral Obligations that are Synthetic Securities shall be determined by Moody's and obtained by the Issuer or the Servicer on a case-by-case basis, unless (1) there is an Assigned Moody's Rating available for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, in which case such Assigned Moody's Rating shall be used to compute the Moody's Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, or (2) such Collateral Obligation is a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, in which case the Moody's Rating Factor given to such Collateral Obligation at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security shall be used to compute the Moody's Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security.

The Moody's Rating Factor for any Collateral Obligation that is a Structured Finance Obligation shall be equal to:  $\frac{A \times 55\%}{1 - B}$ ,

where: "A" means the number determined with respect to such Collateral Obligation pursuant to the table above; and

"B" means the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Senior Secured Loan":**

(a) a Loan that:

(i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan;

(ii) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan; and

(iii) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow

available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal seniority secured by a first lien or security interest in the same collateral; or

(b) a Loan that:

(i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan, other than, with respect to a Loan described in clause (a) above, with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such loan;

(ii) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan;

(iii) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by a first or second lien or security interest in the same collateral; and

(iv) has been assigned a Moody's rating equal to or higher than Moody's corporate family rating for such obligor; and

(c) the Loan is not: (i) a DIP Loan, (ii) a Loan for which the security interest or lien (or the validity or effectiveness thereof) in substantially all of its collateral attaches, becomes effective, or otherwise "springs" into existence after the origination thereof, or (iii) a type of loan that Moody's has identified as having unusual terms and with respect to which its Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate has been or is to be determined on a case-by-case basis.

**"Non-Call Period"**: The period from the Closing Date to but not including the Payment Date in November 2009.

**"Non-Consenting Holder"**: With respect to any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, any Holder or, in the case of Securities represented by Global Notes, any beneficial owner, that either (i) has delivered to the Trustee a written notice that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) had not consented to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

**"Non-Performing Collateral Obligation"**: Any Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any PIK Security as to which its issuer or obligor has previously deferred or capitalized any interest due on it and all the interest so deferred or capitalized has not subsequently been paid in full in cash by:

(i) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above, the earlier of its second payment date or one year, in each case, following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it, or

(ii) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "Baa3", or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "BBB-", the earlier of its first payment date or six months, in each case, following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it.

**"Non-Permitted ERISA Holder"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.6(c)(iii).

**"Non-Permitted Holder":** (a) With respect to the Global Notes, a Holder or beneficial owner of an interest in a Global Note that is a U.S. person and (i) not a QIB/QP and that becomes the beneficial owner of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note or (ii) does not have an exemption available under the Securities Act and (b) with respect to the Class E Notes, a Holder or beneficial owner of an interest in a Class E Note that is not a QIB/QP.

**"Non-qualifying Collateral Obligation":** The meaning specified in Section 12.1(d).

**"Note Break-Even Loss Rate":** With respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the maximum percentage of defaults that the Current Portfolio or Proposed Portfolio can sustain (as determined by S&P through application of the S&P CDO Monitor) and nevertheless sufficient funds will remain for the payment of principal of the Class of Notes in full by its Stated Maturity and the timely payment of interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes and the ultimate payment of interest on the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes using S&P's assumptions on recoveries, defaults, and timing, and taking into account the Priority of Payments.

**"Note Class Loss Differential":** With respect to any Measurement Date and any Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the rate calculated by subtracting the Scenario Default Rate for the Class from the then-applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate for the Class of Notes.

**"Noteholder":** A Holder of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes.

**"Note Interest Rate":** With respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate payable on the Notes of the Class with respect to each Interest Period equal to LIBOR for Eurodollar deposits for the applicable Interest Period plus the spread specified in the "Interest Rate" rows of the tables in Section 2.3 with respect to such Notes except in the first Interest Period.

**"Note Payment Sequence":** The application of funds in the following order:

- (1) to the Class A Notes until the Class A Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (2) to the Class B Notes until the Class B Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (3) to the Class C Notes until the Class C Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (4) to the Class D Notes until the Class D Notes have been fully redeemed; and
- (5) to the Class E Notes until the Class E Notes have been fully redeemed.

**"Notes":** The Senior Notes and the Class E Notes authorized by, and authenticated and delivered under, this Indenture or any supplemental indenture.

**"Notice of Refinancing":** The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

**"Objection Cut-Off Date":** The meaning specified in Section 15.1(h)(ii).

**"Offer":** The meaning specified in Section 10.7(c).

**"Offering":** The offering of the Notes.

**"Offering Memorandum":** The final offering memorandum, dated December 18, 2007, prepared and delivered in connection with the offer and sale of the Securities.

**"Officer"**: With respect to the Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to the Co-Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to any partnership, any of its general partners; and with respect to the Trustee, any Trust Officer.

**"Opinion of Counsel"**: A written opinion addressed to the Trustee and each Rating Agency, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and each Rating Agency, of an attorney at law (or law firm with one or more partners) reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and admitted to practice before the highest court of any state of the United States or the District of Columbia (or the Cayman Islands, in the case of an opinion relating to the laws of the Cayman Islands), which attorney (or law firm) may, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, be counsel for the Servicer, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. Whenever an Opinion of Counsel is required under this Indenture, the Opinion of Counsel may rely on opinions of other counsel who are so admitted and so satisfactory, which opinions of other counsel shall accompany the Opinion of Counsel and shall either be addressed to the Trustee and each Rating Agency or shall state that the Trustee and each Rating Agency may rely on it. An Opinion of Counsel may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion.

**"Optional Redemption"**: A redemption of the Notes in accordance with Section 9.2.

**"Other Indebtedness"**: The meaning specified in the definition of "Defaulted Collateral Obligation."

**"Outstanding"**: With respect to:

(a) the Notes or any specified Class, as of any date of determination, all of the Notes or all of the Notes of the specified Class, as the case may be, theretofore authenticated and delivered under this Indenture, except with respect to Notes:

(i) Notes canceled by the Indenture Registrar or delivered to the Indenture Registrar for cancellation;

(ii) Notes for whose payment or redemption funds in the necessary amount have been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any paying agent in trust for their Holders pursuant to Section 4.1(a)(ii) and if the Notes are to be redeemed, notice of redemption has been duly given pursuant to this Indenture;

(iii) Notes in exchange for or in lieu of which other Notes have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to this Indenture; and

(iv) Notes alleged to have been destroyed, lost, or stolen for which replacement Notes have been issued as provided in Section 2.7, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Notes are held by a protected purchaser; and

(b) the Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Preference Share Documents and listed in the share register of the Issuer as outstanding;

provided that, in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver under this Indenture, the Securities owned or beneficially owned by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, any Affiliate of either of them and, with respect to any matter affecting its status as Servicer or appointment of a replacement Servicer or relating to an acceleration of any Class of Notes if the effect of the Servicer's action or inaction as a Holder

of Securities would effectively prevent acceleration, the Servicer, its Affiliates and any account over which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (other than, with respect to Notes or Class II Preference Shares, HFP or any of its subsidiaries; provided that, with respect to the voting authority of Notes or Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Trustee or the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) shall be disregarded and not be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver, only Securities that a Trust Officer of the Trustee (or with respect to the Preference Shares, only Preference Shares that an Authorized Officer of the Preference Shares Paying Agent) has actual knowledge to be so owned or beneficially owned shall be so disregarded. Securities so owned or beneficially owned that have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee or the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, the pledgee's right so to act with respect to the Securities and that the pledgee is independent from the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

**"Overcollateralization Ratio"**: With respect to any Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by *dividing*:

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator; by
- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it (excluding any Deferred Interest on the Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it); provided that the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes shall constitute one Class of Notes for purposes of the Overcollateralization Ratio relating to such Classes of Notes.

**"Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator"**: On any date, the sum of:

- (1) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (other than any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, any Deep Discount Obligations, and any Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an "event of default" (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing); *plus*
- (2) unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal (excluding any unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal in respect of Non-Performing Collateral Obligations); *plus*
- (3) the Aggregate Principal Balance of any Eligible Investments that were purchased with Principal Proceeds and the amount of Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
- (4) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Eligible Investments on deposit in a Securities Lending Account that relate to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an "event of default" (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing; *plus*
- (5) with respect to Collateral Obligations that are Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, Deep Discount Obligations or Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, the amount determined by using one of the following methods applicable to such type of Collateral Obligation; provided that if a Collateral Obligation falls within more than one of such types, the Issuer will be required to use the method that results in the smallest amount:
  - (A) with respect to any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, an amount equal to the product of (i) the CCC+/Caa1 Excess Market Value Percentage, multiplied by (ii) the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations;



(B) with respect to any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, the aggregate of the Applicable Collateral Obligation Amounts for all included Non-Performing Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations that have been held by the Issuer for more than three years, which shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this clause (B)); and

(C) with respect to any Deep Discount Obligations, the Aggregate Purchase Price Amount for all Deep Discount Obligations.

As used in this definition, "***Applicable Collateral Obligation Amount***" for any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation means:

(a) the lesser of:

(x) the Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation;  
and

(y) the Applicable Percentage for the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation;

multiplied by:

(b) if the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation is:

(1) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (2) through (4) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;

(2) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;

(3) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and

(4) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

As used in the calculation of Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation, the Principal Balance of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall be, if the Defaulted Collateral Obligation is:

(i) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (ii) through (iv) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;

(ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;

(iii) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and

(iv) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

**"Overcollateralization Test":** A test that is satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes if, as of any Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the required level for the specified Class indicated in the table below:

<u>Test</u>	<u>Required Level</u>
Class A/B Overcollateralization Test	114.5%
Class C Overcollateralization Test	109.6%
Class D Overcollateralization Test	106.1%
Class E Overcollateralization Test	104.0%

**"Participating Institution"**: An institution that creates a participation interest and that has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" (and if so rated by Moody's such rating is not on watch for possible downgrade) and a short-term credit rating by S&P of at least "A-1" or, if no short-term rating exists, a long-term credit rating by S&P of at least "A".

**"Participation"**: A Loan acquired as a participation interest created by a Participating Institution.

**"Paying Agent"**: Any Person authorized by the Issuer to pay the principal of or interest on any Notes on behalf of the Issuer as specified in Section 7.2.

**"Payment Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(h).

**"Payment Date"**: The first day of February, May, August and November in each year, commencing in August 2008 or, if any such day is not a Business Day, the next following Business Day, any other date on which the Notes are redeemed or paid before their Stated Maturity, and at the Stated Maturity for the Notes.

**"Permitted Offer"**: An Offer pursuant to which the offeror offers to acquire a debt obligation (including a Collateral Obligation) in exchange solely for cash in an amount equal to or greater than the full face amount of the debt obligation plus any accrued and unpaid interest and as to which the Servicer has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the offeror has sufficient access to financing to consummate the Offer.

**"Person"**: An individual, corporation (including a business trust), partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust (including any beneficiary thereof), unincorporated association or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

**"PIK Cash-Pay Interest"**: As to any PIK Security, the portion of interest required to be paid in cash (and not permitted to be added to the balance of such PIK Security or otherwise deferred and accrued) thereon pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments.

**"PIK Security"**: Any loan or debt obligation on which any portion of the interest accrued for a specified period of time or until the maturity thereof is, or at the option of the obligor may be, added to the principal balance of such loan or debt obligation or otherwise deferred rather than being paid in cash, provided that such loan or debt obligation shall not be a PIK Security if the portion, if any, of such interest required pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments to be paid in Cash would result in the outstanding principal amount of such loan or debt obligation having an effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest at least equal to (i) if such loan or debt obligation is a fixed rate loan or debt obligation, 4% per annum, or (ii) if such loan or debt obligation is a floating rate loan or debt obligation, LIBOR.

**"Plan"**: An employee benefit plan as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA that is subject to the provisions of Title I of ERISA or a plan as defined in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code.



**"Plan Asset Regulation"**: The regulation issued by the United States Department of Labor and found at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101.

**"Pledged Obligations"**: As of any date of determination, the Collateral Obligations, the Workout Assets, the Eligible Investments, and any other securities or obligations that have been Granted to the Trustee that form part of the Collateral.

**"Portfolio Improvement Exchange"**: The disposition, during the Replacement Period, of a Collateral Obligation and corresponding acquisition of one or more Collateral Obligations which in the aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Test, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied (or bring the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations closer to compliance with any such test or limitation) or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith would be improved and (ii) improving, on a net basis, the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test and Concentration Limitations and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased.

**"Preference Share Documents"**: The Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the resolutions of the Issuer's board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

**"Preference Share Internal Rate of Return"**: With respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the "XIRR" function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for the following cash flows, assuming all Preference Shares are purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount:

- (i) each distribution of Interest Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date and
- (ii) each distribution of Principal Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date.

**"Preference Shares"**: The Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares.

**"Preference Shares Distribution Account"**: A separate segregated non-interest bearing account established by the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deposit all amounts received from the Issuer and payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares under the Priority of Payments.

**"Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement"**: The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, by and between the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

**"Preference Shares Paying Agent"**: State Street Bank and Trust Company, in its capacity as Preference Shares Paying Agent under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the

Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter "Preference Shares Paying Agent" shall mean such successor Person.

**"Principal Balance"**: With respect to:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those specifically covered in this definition, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Pledged Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest, zero, except as otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture;
- (iv) any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, except as otherwise provided, zero;
- (v) any Collateral Obligation that has been loaned, its Principal Balance shall be reduced by the excess of the amount of collateral required over the actual Market Value of the collateral;
- (vi) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance shall include any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount), except as otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture;
- (vii) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance shall not include any principal amount of the PIK Security representing previously deferred or capitalized interest; and
- (viii) any Qualified Equity Security and any obligation or security that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, zero.

**"Principal Proceeds"**: With respect to any Due Period, all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are not Interest Proceeds.

Principal Proceeds shall include any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account into the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.2.

Principal Proceeds do not include the Excluded Property or earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

At any time when an "event of default" under a Securities Lending Agreement has occurred and is continuing, any payments received by the Issuer from the related Securities Lending Collateral shall be Principal Proceeds.

**"Priority Class"**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that ranks senior to that Class, as indicated in Section 13.1.

**"Priority of Payments"**: The meaning specified in Section 11.1(a).

**"Proceeding"**: Any suit in equity, action at law, or other judicial or administrative proceeding.

**"Proposed Portfolio"**: As of any Measurement Date, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations and Principal Proceeds held as Cash on deposit in the Collection Account and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account

resulting from the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or a proposed purchase of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**"Purchase Agreement"**: A purchase agreement dated as of November 9, 2007 among the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchaser, relating to the purchase of the Senior Notes, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance"**: For any Collateral Obligation other than Deep Discount Obligations, its Principal Balance; and for any Deep Discount Obligation its Purchase Price; *provided, however*, that if any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations exist, the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance for the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations shall be the lower of (i) the weighted average Market Value of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances and (ii) the product of (a) 70% and (b) their respective Principal Balance.

**"Purchase Price"**: With respect to the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (other than any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation), the net purchase price paid by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation. The net purchase price is determined by subtracting from the purchase price the amount of any Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal and any syndication and other upfront fees paid to the Issuer and by adding the amount of any related transaction costs (including assignment fees) paid by the Issuer to the seller of the Collateral Obligation or its agent.

**"Purchase Price Amount"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation on any date of determination, the product of (i) the Purchase Price (stated as a percentage) thereof and (ii) the Principal Balance thereof on such date.

**"QIB/QP"**: Any Person that, at the time of its acquisition of Notes is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser.

**"Qualified Equity Security"**: Any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that is stock or evidence of an interest in or a right to buy stock, or any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation but whose acquisition otherwise is a transaction in stocks or securities within the meaning of Section 864(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Code and the regulations under the Code. Qualified Equity Securities do not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation and that will cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in or having income from a United States trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes by virtue of its ownership or disposition of the obligation (without regard to the Issuer's other activities).

**"Qualified Institutional Buyer"**: The meaning specified in Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

**"Qualified Purchaser"**: The meaning specified in Section 2(a)(51) of the Investment Company Act and Rule 2a51-2 under the Investment Company Act (including entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers).

**"Ramp-Up Completion Date"**: The earlier of:

- (i) the Business Day after the 90<sup>th</sup> day after the Closing Date, and
- (ii) the first date on which the following conditions are satisfied:

- (x) (A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least U.S.\$992,377,774 or (B) the Aggregate Principal

Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer with proceeds from the sale of the Notes (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be) equals at least U.S.\$992,377,774 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date); and

(y) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least U.S.\$992,377,774.

**"Ramp-Up Notice"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.19(e).

**"Ramp-Up Period"**: The period from and including the Closing Date to and including the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

**"Rating Agency"**: Each of Moody's and S&P or, with respect to Pledged Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or S&P ceases to provide rating services with respect to high yield debt securities, any other nationally recognized statistical rating organization selected by the Issuer and reasonably satisfactory to a Majority of each Class of Notes. If at any time Moody's ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of Moody's in this Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used. If at any time S&P ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of S&P in this Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and S&P published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used.

**"Rating Condition"**: With respect to any Rating Agency and any action taken or to be taken under this Indenture, a condition that is satisfied when the Rating Agency has confirmed to the Servicer (as agent for the Issuer) in writing that no withdrawal, reduction, suspension, or other adverse action with respect to any then current rating by it (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes will occur as a result of the action. The Rating Condition with respect to any Rating Agency shall be satisfied for all purposes of this Indenture at any time when no Outstanding Notes are rated by it.

**"Rating Confirmation"**: Confirmation in writing from each Rating Agency that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes; *provided* however, that in the case of Refinancing Notes, a Moody's rating will be obtained for such Refinancing Notes and a Rating Confirmation with respect to such Refinancing Notes shall mean (i) with respect to S&P, confirmation in writing from S&P that the rating of each Class of Refinancing Notes will be no lower than the rating on each corresponding Class of Notes subject to such Refinancing and (ii) with respect to Moody's, that the Moody's rating of each Class of Refinancing Notes will be no lower than the rating on each corresponding Class of Notes subject to such Refinancing; *provided further* that if the terms of such Refinancing Notes are the same as the terms of the corresponding Class of Notes subject to Refinancing (other than with respect to the coupon thereof), it is expected that the cost of obtaining such rating from Moody's shall be no more than the cost of obtaining a Rating Confirmation.

**"Rating Confirmation Failure"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.19(f) hereof.

**"Ratings Matrix"**: The "row/column combination" of the table below selected by the Servicer on the Closing Date to apply initially for purposes of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test. Thereafter, on notice to the Trustee, the Servicer may select a different

row of the Ratings Matrix to apply, or may interpolate between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable, on a straight-line basis and round the results to two decimal points.

Minimum Weighted Average Spread	Minimum Diversity Score								
	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90
2.20%	2150	2175	2200	2210	2240	2280	2300	2315	2335
2.25%	2225	2255	2270	2280	2300	2315	2345	2360	2390
2.30%	2250	2300	2335	2350	2375	2390	2400	2425	2450
2.35%	2275	2325	2355	2375	2405	2415	2430	2450	2480
2.40%	2315	2370	2390	2410	2435	2450	2475	2495	2500
2.45%	2345	2385	2425	2435	2450	2475	2500	2515	2535
2.50%	2360	2415	2445	2500	2515	2530	2535	2555	2575
2.55%	2380	2445	2500	2520	2540	2560	2590	2600	2610
2.60%	2405	2475	2510	2560	2590	2600	2625	2640	2660
2.65%	2440	2495	2520	2580	2610	2625	2640	2660	2680
2.70%	2460	2515	2540	2600	2625	2670	2680	2700	2730
2.75%	2480	2525	2560	2610	2635	2690	2700	2710	2770
2.80%	2505	2545	2590	2630	2660	2705	2725	2735	2800
2.85%	2525	2565	2600	2660	2700	2720	2740	2815	2830
2.90%	2540	2595	2635	2700	2720	2740	2800	2825	2850
2.95%	2560	2615	2655	2730	2765	2785	2825	2850	2875
3.00%	2585	2640	2675	2750	2785	2825	2850	2875	2900
Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor									

**"Recovery Rate Modifier"**: As of any Measurement Date, the product of:

- (i) (a) the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate minus the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test (but not less than zero) multiplied by (b) 100; and
- (ii) 55.

**"Record Date"**: As to any Payment Date, the 15<sup>th</sup> day (whether or not a Business Day) before the Payment Date.

**"Redemption Date"**: Any Payment Date specified for an Optional Redemption of Notes pursuant to Section 9.2 or the redemption of a Class of Notes in connection with a Refinancing pursuant to Section 9.7.

**"Redemption Premium"**: With respect to an optional redemption or an Amendment Buy-Out of the Class A Notes that occurs during the period beginning on the first day after the Non-Call Period and prior to the first anniversary of such first day after the Non-Call Period (the "**Premium Anniversary**"), an amount equal to the product of (i) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Class A Notes to be redeemed, *multiplied by* (ii) the number of days from (and including) the applicable Redemption Date to (but excluding) the Premium Anniversary divided by 360 *multiplied by* (iii) 0.63%.

**"Redemption Price"**: With respect to any Note and any Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) or any redemption by Refinancing pursuant to Section 9.7(a), an amount equal to:

- (i) the outstanding principal amount of the Note being redeemed; plus
- (ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest); plus
- (iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note; plus
- (iv) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note; plus
- (v) with respect to the Class A Notes, any applicable Redemption Premium.

With respect to any Preference Share and any Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b), "Redemption Price" means (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the *pro rata* portion for such Preference Share of the entire remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications pursuant to the Priority of Payments or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case, as specified in Section 9.2(b).

**"Reference Obligation"**: An obligation that would otherwise satisfy the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and on which a Synthetic Security is based; provided that no Reference Obligation shall be a Synthetic Security.

**"Refinancing"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

**"Refinancing Date"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

**"Refinancing Notes"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

**"Refinancing Price"**: With respect to any Class of Notes that is subject to a Refinancing, an amount equal to the Redemption Price thereof.

**"Refinancing Proceeds"**: The proceeds from any refinancing permitted under this Indenture.

**"Reference Obligor"**: The obligor of a Reference Obligation.

**"Registered"**: With respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment, means that it is issued after July 18, 1984 and is in registered form within the meaning of Section 881(c)(2)(B)(i) of the Code and the United States Department of the Treasury ("Treasury") regulations promulgated thereunder.

**"Regulation D"**: Regulation D under the Securities Act.

**"Regulation S"**: Regulation S under the Securities Act.

**"Regulation S Global Note"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(b).

**"Relevant Obligation"**: For a Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security and otherwise the Collateral Obligation.

**"Replacement Hedge"**: A replacement hedge agreement that qualifies to be a Hedge Agreement under this Indenture.



**"Replacement Period"**: The period from the Closing Date through and including the first to occur of:

- (i) the Payment Date after the date that the Servicer notifies the Trustee, each Rating Agency, and the Administrator, in the sole discretion of the Servicer, that, in light of the composition of the Collateral, general market conditions, and other factors, the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations within the foreseeable future would either be impractical or not beneficial,
- (ii) the Payment Date in November 2014 or, in the case of an Extension, the Extended Replacement Period End Date,
- (iii) the Payment Date on which all Notes are to be optionally redeemed or an earlier date after notice of an Optional Redemption chosen by the Servicer to facilitate the liquidation of the Collateral for the Optional Redemption, and
- (iv) the date on which the Replacement Period terminates or is terminated as a result of an Event of Default (subject to Section 5.2(c)).

**"Required Redemption Percentage"**: With respect to (a) any Optional Redemption resulting from a Tax Event, the Holders of at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of any Affected Class or at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares and (b) any other Optional Redemption, a Majority of the Preference Shares.

**"Retention Overcollateralization Ratio"**: As of any Measurement Date, the ratio obtained by dividing:

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator by
- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes, excluding any Deferred Interest on any Class of Notes.

**"Retention Overcollateralization Test"**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date during the Replacement Period on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Retention Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 105.0%.

**"Revolving Loan"**: A Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation (in each case excluding any Delayed Drawdown Loan) that requires the Issuer to make future advances to (or for the account of) the borrower under its Underlying Instruments (including any letter of credit for which the Issuer is required to reimburse the issuing bank for under it). A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Revolving Loan for so long as its Commitment Amount is greater than zero.

**"Revolving Reserve Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(b).

**"Rule 3a-7"**: Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act.

**"Rule 144A"**: Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

**"Rule 144A Global Note"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(c).

**"Rule 144A Information"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.15.

**"S&P"**: Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc.

**"S&P CDO Monitor"**: A dynamic, analytical computer model developed by S&P (and as may be modified by S&P from time to time) and provided to the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator to be used

to calculate the default frequency in terms of the amount of debt assumed to default as a percentage of the original principal amount of the Collateral Obligations consistent with a specified benchmark rating level based on certain assumptions and S&P's proprietary corporate default studies. For the purpose (and only for the purpose) of applying the S&P CDO Monitor to a portfolio of obligations, for each obligation in the portfolio, the rating of the obligation shall be its S&P Rating.

**"S&P CDO Monitor Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive. The S&P CDO Monitor Test shall be considered to be improved if each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is at least equal to the corresponding Note Class Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio. The S&P CDO Monitor Test is not required to be satisfied or improved upon the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation and the application of the related Sale Proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations as provided in Section 12.1(a). For purposes of the S&P CDO Monitor Test,

- (i) the S&P Rating of any S&P Unrated DIP Loan shall be "CCC-" and
- (ii) the S&P Industry Classification for a Synthetic Security shall be that of the related Reference Obligation and not the Synthetic Security.

**"S&P CRR":** With respect to any Collateral Obligation, a corporate recovery rate assigned by S&P to such Collateral Obligation.

**"S&P Industry Classification":** The S&P Industry Classifications in Schedule 3 as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by S&P.

**"S&P Rating":** The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"S&P Rating Confirmation":** Confirmation in writing from S&P that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes.

**"S&P Recovery Rate":** As of any date of determination, with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the percentage for such Collateral Obligation set forth in (x) the applicable table below, (y) the row in such table opposite the S&P CRR (or, if the relevant assets have no S&P CRR, the senior secured recovery rating, the U.S. loan recovery rating or the CDO liability rating, as applicable) of such Collateral Obligation (or, in the case of a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation unless otherwise specified by S&P) and (z) the column in such table below the initial S&P Rating of the respective Class of Notes; provided, however that (i) with respect to a DIP Loan or a Synthetic Security (other than a Form-Approved Synthetic Security that does not reference an index), the S&P Recovery Rate shall be the recovery rate assigned by S&P and with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation the S&P Recovery Rate shall be the recovery rate determined by reference to Table V or Table VI below, as applicable and (ii) the Issuer or the Servicer may request the assignment of a recovery rate from S&P with respect to any Collateral Obligation, any such assignment by S&P to be in writing (electronic or otherwise); provided, further, that if a Collateral Obligation is a Cov-lite Loan for which there is no S&P CRR and therefore Table IV would apply, the recovery rate for such Collateral Obligation shall be equal to 90% of its recovery rate as of such date of determination, unless otherwise provided by S&P upon request by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer.

**Table I (if the Collateral Obligation has a S&P CRR): Recovery Rates For Assets With Corporate Recovery Ratings**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC
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<b>S&amp;P CRR</b>	<b>(%)</b>						
1+	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1	92	94	96	98	100	100	100
2	78	81	84	87	90	90	90
3	58	61	64	67	70	70	70
4	38	41	44	47	50	50	50
5	16	20	24	27	30	30	30
6	6	7	8	9	10	10	10

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\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table II (if the Collateral Obligation is a Senior Unsecured Loan and has no S&P CRR, but other senior secured corporate debt of the same obligor has a S&P CRR): U.S. Recovery Rates of Corporate Senior Unsecured Debt If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B &amp; CCC</b>
<b>Senior secured recovery ratings</b>	<b>(%)</b>					
1+	53	55	57	59	61	61
1	48	50	52	54	56	56
2	43	45	47	49	51	51
3	39	41	43	45	47	47
4	22	24	26	28	30	30
5	8	10	12	14	15	15
6	4	4	4	4	4	4

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\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table III (if the Collateral Obligation is a subordinated obligation and has no S&P CRR, but other senior secured corporate debt of the same obligor has a S&P CRR): U.S. Recovery Rates of Corporate Subordinated Debt If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B & CCC
<b>Senior secured recovery ratings</b>						
			(%)			
1+	25	25	25	25	25	25
1	22	22	22	22	22	22
2	20	20	20	20	20	20
3	20	20	20	20	20	20
4	10	10	10	10	10	10
5	5	5	5	5	5	5
6	2	2	2	2	2	2

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\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table IV (if none of Table I, Table II or Table III is applicable): S&P's U.S. Tiered Corporate Recovery Rates (for Collateral Obligations that do not have a S&P CRR)**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B & CCC
<b>U.S. loan recovery rates</b>						
			(%)			
Senior Secured Loans	56	60	64	67	70	70
Senior Unsecured Loans and Second Lien Loans	40	42	44	46	48	48
Subordinated Loans	22	22	22	22	22	22
Senior Secured Notes	48	49	50	51	52	52
Unsecured Bonds	38	41	42	44	45	45
Subordinated Bonds	19	19	19	19	19	19

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\* As of the Closing Date.

\*\* The Aggregate Principal Balance of all Second Lien Loans without a S&P CRR (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that, in the aggregate, represent up to 15% of the Maximum Amount will have the S&P Recovery Rate specified for Second Lien Loans in the table above. The Aggregate Principal Balance of all Second Lien Loans without a S&P CRR (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) in excess of 15% of the Maximum Amount will have the S&P Recovery Rate specified for Subordinated Loans in the table above.

**Table V (if the Structured Finance Obligation is the senior-most tranche of securities issued by the issuer of, or obligor on, such Structured Finance Obligation): S&P's Ratings of Collateral Obligations at the Date of Issuance**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>CCC</b>
<b>Recovery Rate by S&amp;P's Rating of Class of Notes on the Applicable Measurement Date</b>							
AAA	80.00%	85.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%
AA	70.00%	75.00%	85.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%
A	60.00%	65.00%	75.00%	85.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%
BBB	50.00%	55.00%	65.00%	75.00%	85.00%	85.00%	85.00%
BB	45.00%	50.00%	55.00%	65.00%	75.00%	75.00%	75.00%
B	25.00%	30.00%	50.00%	55.00%	65.00%	65.00%	50.00%
CCC	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	5.00%	10.00%	10.00%

\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table VI (if the Structured Finance Obligation is not the senior-most tranche of securities issued by the issuer of, or obligor on, such Structured Finance Obligation): S&P's Ratings of Collateral Obligations at the Date of Issuance**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>CCC</b>
<b>Recovery Rate by S&amp;P's Rating of Class of Notes on the Applicable Measurement Date</b>							
AAA	65.00%	70.00%	80.00%	85.00%	85.00%	85.00%	85.00%
AA	55.00%	65.00%	75.00%	80.00%	80.00%	80.00%	80.00%
A	40.00%	45.00%	55.00%	65.00%	80.00%	80.00%	80.00%
BBB	30.00%	35.00%	40.00%	45.00%	50.00%	60.00%	70.00%
BB	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%	25.00%	35.00%	40.00%	50.00%
B	2.50%	5.00%	5.00%	10.00%	10.00%	20.00%	25.00%
CCC	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	2.50%	5.00%	5.00%

\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table VII: European Tiered Corporate Recovery Rates (By Asset Class And CDO Liability Rating)**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B &amp; CCC</b>
<b>CDO liability rating</b>						
<b>Senior secured loans (%)</b>						
Group A	68	73	78	81	85	85
Group B	56	60	64	67	70	70
Group C	48	51	55	57	60	60
<b>Mezz./second-lien/senior unsecured loans (%)</b>						
Group A	45	47	50	52	54	54
Group B	40	42	44	46	48	48
Group C	35	37	39	40	42	42
<b>Subordinated loans (%)</b>						
Group A	20	20	20	20	20	20
Group B	20	20	20	20	20	20
Group C	17	17	17	17	17	17
<b>Senior secured bonds (%)</b>						
Group A	60	61	62	63	64	64
Group B	48	49	50	51	52	52
Group C	43	44	45	46	47	47
<b>Senior unsecured bonds (%)</b>						
Group A	40	42	44	46	48	48
Group B	38	41	42	44	45	45
Group C	32	35	36	38	39	40
<b>Subordinated bonds (%)</b>						
Group A	18	18	18	18	18	18
Group B	18	18	18	18	18	18
Group C	15	15	15	15	15	15

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\* As of the Closing Date.

\*\* Group A: U.K., Ireland, South Africa, and The Netherlands. Group B: Belgium, Germany, Austria, Spain, Portugal, Luxembourg, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, and Finland. Group C: France, Italy, Greece, and Switzerland.

**Table VIII: Group A European Recovery If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B &amp; CCC</b>
<b>CDO liability rating</b>						
<b>Mezz. loans/second-lien/senior unsecured</b>						
	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					

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**loans**

1+	65	68	71	73	76	76
1	57	60	63	65	68	68
2	50	53	55	57	59	59
3	42	45	47	49	51	51
4	18	18	18	18	18	18
5	8	8	8	8	8	8
6	4	4	4	4	4	4

**Subordinated loans****Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)**

1+	22	22	22	22	22	22
1	20	20	20	20	20	20
2	18	18	18	18	18	18
3	18	18	18	18	18	18
4	9	9	9	9	9	9
5	4	4	4	4	4	4
6	2	2	2	2	2	2

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\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table IX: Group B European Recovery If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B &amp; CCC</b>
<b>CDO liability rating</b>						
<b>Mezz. loans/second- lien/senior unsecured loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	53	55	57	59	61	61
1	48	50	52	54	56	56
2	43	45	47	49	51	51
3	39	41	43	45	47	47
4	18	18	18	18	18	18
5	8	8	8	8	8	8
6	4	4	4	4	4	4
<b>Subordinated loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	22	22	22	22	22	22
1	20	20	20	20	20	20
2	18	18	18	18	18	18
3	18	18	18	18	18	18
4	9	9	9	9	9	9
5	4	4	4	4	4	4
6	2	2	2	2	2	2

\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table X: Group C European Recovery If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B & CCC
<b>CDO liability rating</b>						
<b>Mezz. loans/second- lien/senior unsecured loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	45	46	48	49	51	51
1	41	43	44	46	47	48
2	37	39	41	42	44	44
3	33	36	37	39	40	41
4	16	16	16	16	16	16
5	6	6	6	6	6	6
6	3	3	3	3	3	3
<b>Subordinated loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	20	20	20	20	20	20
1	17	17	17	17	17	17
2	15	15	15	15	15	15
3	15	15	15	15	15	15
4	8	8	8	8	8	8
5	3	3	3	3	3	3
6	1	1	1	1	1	1

\* As of the Closing Date.

In all recovery rate tables above, Note rating categories below "AAA" include rating subcategories (for example, the "AA" column also applies to Notes rated "AA+" and "AA-").

**"S&P Unrated DIP Loan"**: A DIP Loan acquired by the Issuer that does not have a rating assigned by S&P and for which the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P (as specified in the definition of "DIP Loan").

**"Sale"**: The meaning specified in Section 5.17.

**"Sale Proceeds"**: All proceeds received (including any proceeds received with respect to any associated interest rate swap or security providing fixed annuity payments ) with respect to Collateral Obligations or other Pledged Obligations as a result of their sales or other dispositions less any reasonable expenses expended by the Servicer or the Trustee in connection with the sales or other dispositions, which shall be paid from such proceeds notwithstanding their characterization otherwise as Administrative Expenses.

**"Scenario Default Rate"**: With respect to any Class of Notes rated by S&P, an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, consistent with S&P's rating of the Class of Notes on the Closing Date, determined by application of the S&P CDO Monitor.

**"Schedule of Collateral Obligations"**: The Collateral Obligations listed on Schedule 1, which schedule shall include with respect to each listed Collateral Obligation:

- (A) the name of the obligor and a unique Loan or other instrument identifier;
- (B) the purchase price;
- (C) the Principal Balance;
- (D) the classification (including whether the Collateral Obligation is a Loan, a High-Yield Bond, a Synthetic Security, a Participation, a Structured Finance Obligation, a Revolving Loan or a Delayed Drawdown Loan);
- (E) the funded amount (stated as a percentage) in respect of a Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or a Delayed Drawdown Loan;
- (F) the coupon or spread (as applicable);
- (G) the Stated Maturity;
- (H) the Moody's Rating;
- (I) the S&P Rating; and
- (J) the CUSIP and any ISIN, if applicable,

as the schedule may be amended from time to time to reflect the release of Collateral Obligations pursuant to Article 10 and the inclusion of Collateral Obligations as provided in Section 12.2.

**"Second Lien Loan"**: A Loan that (i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinated in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan other than a Senior Secured Loan with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such Loan, (ii) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest in or lien on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan, which specified collateral does not consist solely of common stock or shares issued by the obligor or any of its Affiliates or intangible assets and (iii) if such Loan does not have an S&P Recovery Rate assigned as part of a credit estimate, so long as such credit estimate is in effect, then, solely for purposes of determining the S&P Recovery Rate for such Loan, in the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment (with such judgment being made in good faith by the Servicer at the time of such Loan's purchase), the specified collateral for such Loan has a value not less than the outstanding principal amount of all debt senior to such Loan plus the S&P Recovery Rate applicable to such Loan multiplied by the outstanding principal amount of such Loan, which value may be derived from, among other things, the enterprise value of the issuer of such Loans (provided that the provisions of the clause (iii) may be amended at any time, subject to Rating Confirmation from S&P, or in order to conform to S&P's then-current criteria for such Loans).

**"Secondary Risk Counterparty"**: Any obligor Domiciled other than in the United States, any Participating Institution, any Synthetic Security Counterparty, and any Securities Lending Counterparty.

**"Secondary Risk Table":** With respect to Moody's, the table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty	Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
Aaa	20.0%	20.0%
Aa1	10.0%	10.0%
Aa2	10.0%	10.0%
Aa3	10.0%	10.0%
A1	5.0%	10.0%
A2 or below	0.0%	0.0%

With respect to S&P and solely with respect to Participations and Securities Lending Agreements, the table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty	Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
AAA	20.0%	20.0%
AA+/AA/AA-	10.0%	20.0%
A+	5.0%	20.0%
A or below	0.0%	0.0%

If any Secondary Risk Counterparty's long-term senior unsecured debt rating or short-term rating is on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P, then for the purposes of the table above, its rating by the Rating Agency putting its rating on credit watch shall be one rating notch lower for that Rating Agency.

**"Section 3(c)(7)":** Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act.

**"Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice":** A notice from the Issuer to the Noteholders (to be delivered in accordance with Sections 10.6(a) and (b)) substantially in the form of Exhibit G-1.

**"Secured High-Yield Bond":** A High-Yield Bond that is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**"Secured Loan":** A Loan that is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**"Secured Obligations":** The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Secured Parties":** The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Securities":** The Notes and the Preference Shares.



**"Securities Account Control Agreement"**: An agreement dated as of the Closing Date by and among the Issuer, the Trustee and the Bank, as Custodian.

**"Securities Act"**: The United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

**"Securities Intermediary"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(14) of the UCC.

**"Securities Lending Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(f).

**"Securities Lending Agreements"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**"Securities Lending Collateral"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**"Securities Lending Counterparty"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**"Security Entitlement"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(17) of the UCC.

**"Senior Notes"**: The Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes authorized by, and authenticated and delivered under, this Indenture or any supplemental indenture.

**"Senior Secured Loan"**: A Secured Loan that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a valid and perfected first priority security interest in collateral that in the opinion of the Servicer has value at least equal to the amount of the Loan and that is not a DIP Loan.

**"Senior Servicing Fee"**: A fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.25% per annum of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Senior Servicing Fee shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

**"Senior Unsecured Loan"**: A Loan that is not a Senior Secured Loan and is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**"Servicer"**: Highland Capital Management, L.P., and any successor Servicer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement.

**"Servicing Agreement"**: The Servicing Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Servicer, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Servicing Fee Portion"**: 100% minus a percentage (between 0% and 100%) selected by the Servicer in its sole discretion and reported to the Trustee in writing on or before the related Determination Date; provided that, with respect to the Payment Date in August 2008, such percentage shall, at a minimum, include amounts that would otherwise constitute a portion (representing the Class II Preference Share Percentage) of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Closing Date to February 3, 2008.

**"Servicing Fees"**: Collectively, the Senior Servicing Fee, the Subordinated Servicing Fee and the Supplemental Servicing Fee.

**"Share Trustee"**: Maples Finance Limited.

**"Share Registrar"**: Maples Finance Limited or any successor thereto.

**"Special Redemption"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**"Special Redemption Amount"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**"Special Redemption Date"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**"Spread Excess"**: As of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose:

- (i) numerator is the product of:
  - (A) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date over the Minimum Weighted Average Spread specified in the applicable row of the Ratings Matrix, and
  - (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date, and
- (ii) denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Spread Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Fixed Rate Excess were equal to zero.

**"Stated Maturity"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation, the maturity date specified in it or the applicable Underlying Instrument (or, if earlier, the first date on which any Person may be required by the Issuer to repurchase the entire principal amount of the Collateral Obligation at or above par) and with respect to the Notes of any Class, the Payment Date in November 2021 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date. Unless otherwise specified, "Stated Maturity" means the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

**"Structured Finance Obligation"**: Any obligation (other than the Notes or any other security or obligation issued by the Issuer):

- (i) secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool of receivables or other assets of U.S. obligors, or obligors organized or incorporated in Moody's Group I Countries, Moody's Group II Countries, Moody's Group III Countries or Tax Advantaged Jurisdictions, including portfolio credit default swaps and collateralized debt obligations, but excludes:
  - (A) residential mortgage-backed securities;
  - (B) collateralized debt obligations backed by Emerging Market Securities;
  - (C) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by asset-backed securities;
  - (D) market value collateralized debt obligations;
  - (E) securities backed by "future flow" receivables;
  - (F) securities backed by "trust preferred securities;"
  - (G) net interest margin securitizations;

(H) collateralized debt obligations a significant portion of which are backed by high-yield corporate bonds;

(I) collateralized debt obligations a significant portion of which are backed by other collateralized debt obligations, other than collateralized loan obligations a significant portion of which are backed primarily by other collateralized loan obligations; and

(J) obligations secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool of receivables or other assets where the obligors with respect to such receivables or other assets are non-corporate credit risks; *provided* that, for the avoidance of doubt, collateralized loan obligations shall not be excluded by this clause (J);

(ii) that has an S&P Rating;

(iii) that has a Moody's Rating and a Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate as specified in Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix; and

(iv) whose ownership or disposition (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) by the Issuer will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

In connection with the purchase of a Structured Finance Obligation, the Servicer shall obtain from Moody's the applicable Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate.

For purposes of the Diversity Test, multiple Structured Finance Obligations from CDOs serviced by the same Servicer or multiple Structured Finance Obligations issued by the same master trust will be considered to be obligations of one issuer.

**"Subordinated Lien Loan":** A Secured Loan (other than a Second Lien Loan) secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**"Subordinated Servicing Fee":** An amount payable on each Payment Date equal to the sum of (i) a fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.30% per annum of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments and (ii) on any Payment Date that any part of the Subordinated Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period plus 3.00% per annum. The portion of the Subordinated Servicing Fee in clauses (i) and (ii) above, as applicable, shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

**"Substantially Similar Law":** State, local or other federal and non-U.S. laws that are substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code to which governmental plans, certain church plans and non-U.S. plans, while not subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA or the provisions of Section 4975 of the Code, may nevertheless be subject.

**"Successor Entity":** The meaning specified in Section 7.10.

**"Super Majority":** With respect to any Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**"Supplemental Servicing Fee":** On each Payment Date, the fee, if any, payable to the Servicer in an amount equal to: (i) 20% of the remaining Interest Proceeds, if any, available after making the distributions on

such Payment Date pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(i)(22) and (ii) 20% of the remaining Principal Proceeds, if any, available for payment in respect of the Supplemental Servicing Fee pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(11)(A) and, if applicable, Section 11.1(a)(ii)(16).

**"Synthetic Letter of Credit"**: A facility whereby (i) an agent bank issues or will issue a letter of credit for or on behalf of a borrower pursuant to an Underlying Instrument, (ii) the lender/participant pre-funds in full its obligations thereunder (provided that for the avoidance of doubt if funds are deposited to the Revolving Reserve Account with respect to such Synthetic Letter of Credit, such future funding obligations shall be deemed to be pre-funded) and upon such pre-funding, the lender/participant has no future funding obligations with respect to such Synthetic Letter of Credit and (iii) either (x) in the event that the letter of credit is drawn upon and the borrower does not reimburse the agent bank, the amounts pre-funded by the lender/participant are utilized by the agent bank to reimburse the agent bank for such amounts not funded by the borrower or (y) the agent bank passes on (in whole or in part) the fees it receives for providing the letter of credit to the lender/participant; provided, that, with respect to any Synthetic Letter of Credit, either (i) the related agent bank has confirmed to the Issuer that it will withhold taxes from fees paid to the Issuer, or (ii) if the Issuer, or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, determines in its reasonable discretion that it is probable that such Synthetic Letter of Credit will be subject to withholding tax, then the Issuer, or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, either (x) disposes of such Synthetic Letter of Credit or (y) establishes an account with the Trustee into which 30% of all fee income from such Synthetic Letter of Credit will be transferred and applied to the payment of any withholding tax imposed on the related fees received by the Issuer (it being understood that such reserved amounts shall be released and applied as Interest Proceeds at any later date if (A) the Issuer has received an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the Issuer is no longer responsible for any withholding tax payments on such Synthetic Letter of Credit or (B) the Rating Condition with respect to S&P (so long as any Class of Notes is rated by S&P) is satisfied with respect to such release of the reserved amounts).

**"Synthetic Security"**: Any swap transaction, structured bond, credit linked note or other derivative financial instrument providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a debt instrument (but excluding any such instrument relating directly to a basket or portfolio of debt instruments) or an index or indices (such as the "SAMI" index published by Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC) in connection with a basket or portfolio of debt instruments or other similar instruments entered into by the Issuer with a Synthetic Security Counterparty that has in the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment, equivalent expected loss characteristics (those characteristics, "**credit risk**") to those of the related Reference Obligations (taking account of those considerations as they relate to the Synthetic Security Counterparty), if (i) it is either a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied, and (ii) the Reference Obligations thereof have a Market Value equal to at least 85% of the Principal Balance of the Reference Obligation at the time the Synthetic Security is entered into.

Each Synthetic Security that is a credit default swap the Reference Obligations of which are Loans shall require each such Reference Obligation to be denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars.

The maturity, interest rate, and other non-credit characteristics of a Synthetic Security may be different from the Reference Obligations to which the credit risk of the Synthetic Security relates.

No Synthetic Security may require the Issuer to make any payment to the Synthetic Security Counterparty after its initial purchase other than any payments represented by the release of any cash collateral posted by the Issuer from the Collection Account to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of the posted cash collateral. Collateral may be posted only to a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account. No Synthetic Security shall result in the Issuer being a "buyer" of credit protection.

The term Synthetic Security shall not include any Structured Finance Obligation or any Participation, but the Reference Obligation of a Synthetic Security may be a Structured Finance Obligation.

Each Synthetic Security Agreement shall contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those contained in this Indenture.

The ownership or disposition of any Synthetic Security (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) must not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

Unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" under any proposed Synthetic Security must not provide that its transfer to the Issuer is subject to obtaining any consents and must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation and satisfy the Concentration Limitations under this Indenture, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event" and if the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security is a Senior Secured Loan then the "deliverable obligation" under the Synthetic Security must also be a Senior Secured Loan.

No Synthetic Security may provide for any event other than bankruptcy or a failure to pay as a "credit event."

No Synthetic Security shall provide for termination by the Synthetic Security Counterparty at any time (i) after a declaration of acceleration of Maturity of the Notes has been made upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, unless such declaration and its consequences may no longer be rescinded and annulled in accordance with Section 5.2(c) and liquidation of the Collateral has begun or (ii) upon an Optional Redemption, unless the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date has passed and no notice of withdrawal has been issued.

For purposes of the Coverage Tests and the Retention Overcollateralization Test, unless the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied in respect of any proposed alternative treatment, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligation.

With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, for purposes of: (i) calculating compliance with the Diversity Test, the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test, and the Concentration Limitations (other than limits relating to payment characteristics and except for clause 15, and the exception thereto, of the definition of "Concentration Limitations"), and all related definitions, and (ii) any



other provision or definition of this Indenture involving a determination with respect to a Reference Obligation, the characteristics of such Reference Obligations shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each such Reference Obligation in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation. In addition, each Reference Obligation under such Synthetic Security shall be assigned a Moody's Rating Factor equal to the sum of the Moody's Rating Factor of (i) the related Reference Obligor, (ii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty of such Synthetic Security and (iii) the Synthetic Security Collateral of such Synthetic Security. In addition, the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate in respect of a Synthetic Security referencing multiple Reference Obligations pursuant to this paragraph shall be the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate as assigned by Moody's to each Reference Obligation underlying such Synthetic Security. For the avoidance of doubt, Reference Obligations upon which a Synthetic Security is based as described in this paragraph must meet the definition of "Collateral Obligation" to the extent provided in this definition.

If the Rating Condition must be satisfied to execute the purchase of any Synthetic Security, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall give each applicable Rating Agency not less than five days' prior notice of the purchase of or entry into any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Agreement"**: The documentation governing any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Collateral"**: With respect to any Synthetic Security, amounts posted to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account by the Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its obligations under the Synthetic Security, including (i) all Eligible Investments that mature no later than the Stated Maturity or (ii) floating rate credit card securitizations that are rated "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P that mature no later than the Stated Maturity in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account that are purchased with Synthetic Security Collateral; *provided* that any amounts described in clause (ii) above shall be hedged by a guaranteed investment contract or a total return swap which shall be subject to Rating Confirmation by S&P.

**"Synthetic Security Collateral Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(e).

**"Synthetic Security Counterparty"**: An entity required to make payments on a Synthetic Security to the extent that a Reference Obligor makes payments on a related Reference Obligation.

**"Synthetic Security Counterparty Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.5.

**"Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction"**: One of the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the Netherlands Antilles or the tax advantaged jurisdiction of the Channel Islands, or such other jurisdiction that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto; provided that any Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction that is the jurisdiction of organization of an obligor of a Collateral Obligation other than obligors that are special purpose vehicles or issuers of Structured Finance Obligations shall have a Moody's foreign currency rating of at least "Aa2" and a S&P foreign currency rating of at least "AA-".

**"Tax Event"**: An event that occurs if either:

(i) (A) one or more Collateral Obligations that were not subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them have become subject to withholding tax (**"New Withholding Tax Obligations"**) or the rate of withholding has increased on one or more Collateral Obligations that were subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them (**"Increased Rate Withholding Tax Obligations"**) and (B) in any Due Period, the aggregate of the payments subject to withholding tax on New Withholding Tax Obligations and the increase in payments subject to withholding tax on Increased Rate Withholding Tax Obligations, in each case to the extent not "grossed-up" (on an after-tax basis) by the related obligor, represent 5% or more of Interest Proceeds for the Due Period; or

(ii) taxes, fees, assessments, or other similar charges are imposed on the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in an aggregate amount in any twelve-month period in excess of U.S.\$2,000,000, other than any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax with respect to any payment owing in respect of any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation.

**"Tax Opinion of Counsel"**: A written opinion addressed to the Issuer (a copy of which will be provided to the Trustee) and, if requested, each Rating Agency that has made such request, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and each Rating Agency, issued by a nationally recognized law firm reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee, which law firm is experienced in the relevant areas of tax law, and which law firm may be counsel for the Servicer or the Issuer.

**"Transaction Reports"**: The meaning specified in Section 14.4.

**"Transfer Agent"**: The Person or Persons, which may be the Issuer, authorized by the Issuer to exchange or register the transfer of Notes.

**"Transferee Certificate"**: A certificate substantially in the form of, with respect to the Senior Notes, Exhibit B-1 or, with respect to the Class E Notes, Exhibit B-4 attached hereto, duly completed as appropriate.

**"Treasury Regulations"**: The regulations, including proposed or temporary regulations, promulgated under the Code. References herein to specific provisions of proposed or temporary regulations shall include analogous provisions of final Treasury Regulations or other successor Treasury Regulations.

**"Trust Officer"**: When used with respect to the Trustee, any officer in the Corporate Trust Office (or any successor group of the Trustee) including any director, vice president, assistant vice president, associate, or any other officer of the Trustee customarily performing functions similar to those performed by such officers in the Corporate Trust Office, or to whom any corporate trust matter is referred at the Corporate Trust Office because of his knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject and having direct responsibility for the administration of this Indenture.

**"Trustee"**: As defined in the first sentence of this Indenture.

**"UCC"**: The Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the State of New York, and as amended from time to time.

**"Uncertificated Security"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(18) of the UCC.

**"Underlying Instrument"**: The loan agreement, indenture, credit agreement, or other agreement pursuant to which a Pledged Obligation has been issued or created and each other agreement that governs the terms of or secures the obligations represented by the Pledged Obligation or of which the holders of the Pledged Obligation are the beneficiaries.

**"Unfunded Amount"**: With respect to any Revolving Loan or any Delayed Drawdown Loan at any time, the excess, if any, of (a) the Commitment Amount over (b) the Funded Amount thereof.

**"Unregistered Securities"**: The meaning specified in Section 5.17(c).

**"Unscheduled Principal Payments"**: Any principal payments received with respect to a Collateral Obligation as a result of optional redemptions, exchange offers, tender offers, other payments or prepayments made at the option of the issuer thereof or that are otherwise not scheduled to be made thereunder.

**"U.S. Person"**: A beneficial owner of a Security that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a citizen or individual resident of the United States of America, an entity treated for United States federal

income tax purposes as a corporation or a partnership created or organized in or under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof or the District of Columbia, an estate the income of which is includable in gross income for U.S. federal income tax purposes regardless of its source, or a trust if, in general, a court within the United States of America is able to exercise primary supervision over its administration and one or more U.S. Persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of such trust, and certain eligible trusts that have elected to be treated as U.S. Persons.

**"Valuation Report"**: The meaning specified in Section 10.6(b).

**"Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon"**: As of any Measurement Date, the rate obtained by:

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Fixed Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum rate at which it pays interest (other than, with respect to Collateral Obligations that are not PIK Securities, any interest that is not required to be paid in Cash and may be deferred), using only the effective after-tax interest rate determined by the Servicer on any Fixed Rate Obligation after taking into account any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction and any gross-up paid by the obligor);

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);

(iii) dividing the sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations that are Fixed Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, adding to the sum the amount of any Spread Excess as of the Measurement Date, but only to the extent required to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test.

**"Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test"**: A test that is satisfied if, as of any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 7.50%.

**"Weighted Average Life"**: As of any Measurement Date, the number obtained by

(i) summing the products obtained by multiplying

(A) the Average Life at that time of each Collateral Obligation by

(B) the Principal Balance at that time of the Collateral Obligation and

(ii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance at that time of all Collateral Obligations.

**"Weighted Average Life Test"**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the greater of (a) the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and August 1, 2017 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date and (b) 2.5 years.

**"Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor"**: The summation of the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation (excluding Eligible Investments) by its respective Moody's Rating Factor, dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) and rounding the result up to the nearest whole number.



**"Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 44.50%.

**"Weighted Average Rating Factor Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of such Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor.

**"Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Recovery Rate for each Class of Notes is greater than or equal to: (i) with respect to the Class A Notes, 60%; (ii) with respect to the Class B Notes, 63%; (iii) with respect to the Class C Notes, 66%; (iv) with respect to the Class D Notes, 70% and (v) with respect to the Class E Notes, 72%.

**"Weighted Average Spread":** As of any Measurement Date, a rate obtained by:

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Floating Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum contract spread at which it pays interest (which (w) for PIK Securities for which interest has been deferred or capitalized, will be deemed to be zero, (x) for Collateral Obligations that would be PIK Securities but for the proviso in the definition thereof, will be deemed to be equal to the effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest applicable thereto, (y) for any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, will be the per annum contract spread for the Funded Amount thereof and the rate of the commitment fee and such other fees payable to the Issuer for any Unfunded Amount thereof and (z) for any synthetic letter of credit, will be the all-in rate (including any fees payable to the Issuer by the underlying obligor) minus the applicable LIBOR), determined with respect to any Floating Rate Obligation that does not bear interest based on a London interbank offered rate, by expressing the current interest rate on the Floating Rate Obligation as a spread above a three month London interbank offered rate calculated in a manner consistent with the calculation of LIBOR;

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);

(iii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to pass the Weighted Average Spread Test, adding to that sum the amount of Fixed Rate Excess as of the Measurement Date.

**"Weighted Average Spread Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread.

**"Workout Assets":** A Loan, High-Yield Bond, or Qualified Equity Security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation that the Issuer does not advance any funds to purchase that does not qualify as a Collateral Obligation.

**"Written-Down Obligation":** As of any date of determination, any Structured Finance Obligation as to which the Issuer or the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, has been notified by the issuer of the Structured Finance Obligation that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Structured Finance Obligation and all other Structured Finance Obligations secured by the same pool of collateral that rank *pari passu* with or senior in priority of payment to the Structured Finance Obligation exceeds the aggregate principal balance (including reserved interest or other amounts available for overcollateralization) of all collateral securing the Structured Finance Obligation and such other *pari passu* and senior Structured Finance Obligations (excluding defaulted collateral).

**"Zero-Coupon Security"**: A security that, at the time of determination, does not make periodic payments of interest. A Zero-Coupon Security shall not include a security that is a PIK Security.

**Section 1.2. Assumptions as to Pledged Obligations; Construction Conventions.**

This Section 1.2 shall be applied in connection with all calculations required to be made pursuant to this Indenture:

- with respect to the scheduled payment of principal or interest on any Pledged Obligation, or any payments on any other assets included in the Collateral,
- with respect to the sale of and acquisition of Collateral Obligations,
- with respect to the income that can be earned on the scheduled payment of principal or interest on the Pledged Obligations and on any other amounts that may be received for deposit in the Collection Account, and
- with respect to the treatment of Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement.

The provisions of this Section 1.2 shall be applicable to any determination or calculation that is covered by this Section 1.2, whether or not reference is specifically made to Section 1.2, unless some other method of calculation or determination is expressly specified in the particular provision.

(a) All calculations with respect to the scheduled payment of principal or interest on the Pledged Obligations shall be made on the basis of information as to the terms of each Pledged Obligation and on reports of payments received on the Pledged Obligation that are furnished by or on behalf of the issuer of the Pledged Obligation and, to the extent they are not manifestly in error, the information or report may be conclusively relied on in making the calculations.

(b) For each Due Period and as of any Measurement Date, the scheduled payment of principal or interest on any Pledged Obligation shall be the sum of

(i) the total amount of payments and collections reasonably expected to be received during the Due Period in respect of the Pledged Obligation that, if paid as scheduled, will be available for payment on the Notes and of certain expenses of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer in the Collection Account at the end of the Due Period; and

(ii) any such amounts received in prior Due Periods that were not disbursed on a previous Payment Date.

Except as provided in paragraph (h) below, a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation shall be assumed to have a scheduled payment of principal and interest of zero.

The total amount of payments and collections reasonably expected to be received includes the proceeds of the sale of the Pledged Obligation received and, in the case of sales which have not yet settled, to be received during the Due Period and not used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty, Securities Lending Counterparty, or Hedge Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security, Securities Lending Agreement, or Hedge Agreement) or Eligible Investments or retained in the Collection Account for subsequent application thereof to purchase additional Collateral Obligations pursuant to Section 12.2.

(c) For purposes of the applicable determinations required by Article 12 and the definition of "Interest Coverage Ratio," the expected interest on Collateral Obligations shall be calculated using their then current interest rates.

(d) With respect to any Collateral Obligation, the date on which it "matures" (or its "maturity" date) shall be the earlier of

(i) the stated maturity of the obligation or

(ii) if the Issuer has the right to require the issuer or obligor of the Collateral Obligation to purchase, redeem, or retire the Collateral Obligation at a price of at least par on any one or more dates before its Stated Maturity (a "put right") and the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that it will cause the Issuer to direct the Trustee to exercise the put right on a date, the maturity date shall be the date specified in the certification.

(e) For purposes of calculating compliance with the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), the Coverage Tests, and the Retention Overcollateralization Test and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the Reference Obligation. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligations.

(f) Any Collateral Obligation loaned to a Securities Lending Counterparty shall be included in the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests, and the Retention Overcollateralization Test and the Principal Balance of any Collateral Obligation loaned to a Securities Lending Counterparty shall be included in the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations, in each case unless an "event of default" (under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing.

(g) If a Class of Notes ceases to be Outstanding, then any Coverage Test computed by reference to the Class of Notes (but not to any subordinate Class of Notes then Outstanding) shall cease to be of any force.

(h) For purposes of calculating compliance with the Eligibility Criteria (other than the Weighted Average Life Test), at the direction of the Servicer by notice to the Trustee, during the Replacement Period any Eligible Investment representing Principal Proceeds received upon the maturity, redemption, sale, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation (or, after the Replacement Period, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations) shall be deemed to have the characteristics of the disposed Collateral Obligation until used to purchase an additional Collateral Obligation. The calculations shall be based on the Principal Balance of the disposed Collateral Obligations except in the case of Defaulted Collateral Obligations and Credit Risk Securities, in which case the calculations will be based on the Principal Proceeds received on the disposition or sale of the Defaulted Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation.

### Section 1.3. ***Rules of Interpretation.***

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture or unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

- (a) Defined terms include, as appropriate, all genders and the plural as well as the singular.
- (b) References to designated articles, sections, subsections, exhibits, and other subdivisions of this Indenture, such as "Section 6.13 (a)", refer to the designated article, section, subsection, exhibit, or other subdivision of this Indenture as a whole and to all subdivisions of the designated article, section, subsection, exhibit, or other subdivision. The words "herein", "hereof", "hereto", "hereunder" and other words of similar import refer to this Indenture as a whole and not to any particular article, section, exhibit, or other subdivision of this Indenture.
- (c) Any term that relates to a document or a statute, rule, or regulation includes any amendments, modifications, supplements, or any other changes that may have occurred since the document, statute, rule, or regulation came into being, including changes that occur after the date of this Indenture. References to law are not limited to statutes. Any reference to any Person includes references to its successors and assigns.
- (d) Any party may execute any of the requirements under this Indenture either directly or through others, and the right to cause something to be done rather than doing it directly shall be implicit in every requirement under this Indenture. Unless a provision is restricted as to time or limited as to frequency, all provisions under this Indenture are implicitly available and things may happen from time to time.
- (e) The term "including" and all its variations mean "including but not limited to." Except when used in conjunction with the word "either", the word "or" is always used inclusively (for example, the phrase "A or B" means "A or B or both", not "either A or B but not both").
- (f) A reference to "a thing" or "any of a thing" does not imply the existence or occurrence of the thing referred to even though not followed by "if any", and "any of a thing" is any and all of it. A reference to the plural of anything as to which there could be either one or more than one does not imply the existence of more than one (for instance, the phrase "the obligors on a note" means "the obligor or obligors on a note"). "Until something occurs" does not imply that it must occur, and will not be modified by the word "unless." The word "due" and the word "payable" are each used in the sense that the stated time for payment has passed. The word "accrued" is used in its accounting sense, i.e., an amount paid is no longer accrued. In the calculation of amounts of things, differences and sums may generally result in negative numbers, but when the calculation of the excess of one thing over another results in zero or a negative number, the calculation is disregarded and an "excess" does not exist. Portions of things may be expressed as fractions or percentages interchangeably. The word "shall" is used in its imperative sense, as for instance meaning a party agrees to something or something must occur or exist.
- (g) All accounting terms used in an accounting context and not otherwise defined, and accounting terms partly defined in this Indenture, to the extent not completely defined, shall be construed in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. To the extent that the definitions of accounting terms in this Indenture are inconsistent with their meanings under generally accepted accounting principles, the definitions contained in this Indenture shall control.
- (h) In the computation of a period of time from a specified date to a later specified date or an open-ended period, the words "from" and "beginning" mean "from and including", the word "after" means "from but excluding," the words "to" and "until" mean "to but excluding", and the word "through" means "to and including." Likewise, in setting deadlines or other periods, "by" means "on or before." The words "preceding", "following", "before", "after", "next" and words of similar import, mean immediately preceding or following. References to a month or a year refer to calendar months and calendar years.
- (i) Any reference to the enforceability of any agreement against a party means that it is enforceable against the party in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, and other similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles.

(j) Except when only the registered holder is recognized, such as in Section 2.9., references to Noteholders, holders, and the like refer equally to beneficial owners who have an interest in a Note but are not reflected in the Indenture Register as the owner.

## ARTICLE 2

### THE NOTES

#### Section 2.1. *Forms Generally.*

The Notes and the Trustee's or Authenticating Agent's certificate of authentication on them (the "**Certificate of Authentication**") shall be in substantially the forms required by this Article, with appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions, and other variations required or permitted by this Indenture, and may have any letters, numbers, or other marks of identification and any legends or endorsements on them that are consistent with this Indenture, as determined by the Authorized Officers of the Issuer executing the Notes as evidenced by their execution of the Notes.

#### Section 2.2. *Forms of Notes and Certificate of Authentication.*

(a) The Senior Notes, including the Regulation S Global Notes, Rule 144A Global Notes and Certificate of Authentication, shall be in the forms of the applicable portion of Exhibit A-1.

(b) *Regulation S Global Notes.* The Senior Notes of each Class sold to non-U.S. persons in off-shore transactions in reliance on Regulation S shall each be represented by one or more global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit A-1, including legends (the "**Regulation S Global Notes**"). The global notes shall be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for the Senior Notes represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, the Depository for the respective accounts of Euroclear and Clearstream, duly executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided. The aggregate principal amount of the Regulation S Global Notes may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee or the Depository or its nominee, as the case may be, as hereinafter provided. As used above and in subsection (d) below, "U.S. person" and "off-shore transaction" have the meanings assigned to them in Regulation S.

(c) *Rule 144A Global Notes.* The Senior Notes of each Class initially sold to U.S. persons that are Qualified Institutional Buyers (or, solely in the case of certain Holders purchasing Class E Notes on the Closing Date, Institutional Accredited Investors) and Qualified Purchasers shall each be issued initially in the form of one permanent global note per Class in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit A-1, including legends (each, a "**Rule 144A Global Note**"), which shall be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for the Senior Notes represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, the Depository, duly executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided. The aggregate principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Notes may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee or the Depository or its nominee, as the case may be, as hereinafter provided.

(d) *Book-Entry Provisions.* This Section 2.2(d) shall apply only to Global Notes deposited with or on behalf of the Depository. The "Operating Procedures of the Euroclear System" of Euroclear and the "Terms and Conditions Governing Use of Participants" of Clearstream, respectively, shall be applicable to the Regulation S Global Notes insofar as interests in the Global Notes are held by the Agent Members of Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be.



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

(e) The Class E Notes shall be issued in the form of one or more certificated Class E Notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of Exhibit A-2, including legends (each, a "***Certificated Class E Note***"), which shall be registered in the name of the owner thereof.

**Section 2.3. *Authorized Amount; Denominations.***

(a) The aggregate principal amount of Notes that may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture is limited to U.S.\$920,000,000, except for Notes authenticated and delivered upon registration of, transfer of, or in exchange for, or in lieu of, other Notes pursuant to Section 2.6, 2.7, or 8.5.

(b) The Notes shall be divided into the following Classes, having the designations, original principal amounts and other characteristics as follows:

Class	A	B	C	D	E
Original Principal Amount	\$730,000,000	\$60,000,000	\$50,000,000	\$40,000,000	\$40,000,000
Interest Rate	LIBOR + 0.63%	LIBOR + 1.10%	LIBOR + 1.75%	LIBOR + 2.75%	LIBOR + 5.00%
Initial Rating (Moody's/S&P)	Aaa/AAA	Aa2/AA	A2/A	Baa2/BBB	Ba2/BB

(c) The Notes will be issuable in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000, and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess of that amount.

(d) The Issuer will also issue 20,000 Class I Preference Shares and 60,000 Class II Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, simultaneously with the issuance of the Notes under this Indenture. At any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the proceeds from such issuance and sale to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or as otherwise permitted under the Preference Share Documents and this Indenture pursuant to Section 6 of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. The Preference Shares are not secured by the lien of this Indenture. Any payments made by the Trustee hereunder with respect to the Preference Shares (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) will be released by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent on each Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment, subject to Cayman Islands law, to Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends or Redemption Price, as applicable, and in accordance with the provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

**Section 2.4. *Extension of Replacement Period and Stated Maturity.***

(a) The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Replacement Period to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date up to a maximum of four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date in

accordance with this Section 2.4 and (ii) the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.4(c) are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period to the Trustee no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Notes or Preference Shares or amendment or supplement to this Indenture or the Preference Share Documents (the "**Maturity Extension**"); provided that the Issuer will not be permitted to effect more than four Maturity Extensions.

(b) In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Securities wishing to sell such Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to Section 2.4(d) (such Securities as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, "**Extension Sale Securities**"). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in connection with an Extension Sale, all, but not part, of the Extension Sale Securities shall be purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date.

(c) The Maturity Extension shall be effective only if the following conditions (the "**Extension Conditions**") are satisfied:

(i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the applicable Extension Effective Date;

(ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions in this Indenture and the Preference Share Documents immediately after such purchase and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency);

(iii) (a) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to S&P (so long as any Notes are then rated by S&P) and (b) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to Moody's (so long as any Notes are then rated by Moody's);

(iv) the Issuer has not effected more than three prior Extensions; and

(v) such extension is not effected for the primary purpose of decreasing losses or recognizing gains resulting from market value changes.

The Issuer, the Trustee and, by its acceptance of the Notes, each Noteholder agrees that the Initial Purchaser shall not be responsible for causing the Extension Conditions to be satisfied and the Initial Purchaser shall not be liable to any such Person or Noteholders (whether or not such Holder gave an Extension Sale Notice with respect to its Notes) or to any other Person if the Extension Conditions are not satisfied. Failure of the Extension Conditions to be satisfied shall not constitute a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture. The Trustee shall be entitled to receive and rely conclusively on a certificate of the Issuer as to compliance with the extension provisions, as provided in Section 2.4(e) below.

(d) Extension Procedure.

(i) Not later than three Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Issuer of its election to extend the Replacement Period (the "**Extension Notice**"), the Trustee shall mail the Extension Notice to all Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent

(for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding), in the form of Exhibit I, and shall request the Rating Confirmation for the Maturity Extension from each Rating Agency, if applicable;

(ii) Any Holder of the Securities may deliver an irrevocable written notice (an "**Extension Sale Notice**") to the Issuer and the Trustee within 30 days after the Trustee has mailed the Extension Notice (the "**Extension Sale Notice Period**") of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of the Securities that has not delivered such an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be entitled to sell its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension; and

(iii) If clause (iii)(b) of the Extension Conditions is not satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date as determined by the Issuer (or its agent) and notified to the Trustee, the Trustee shall request the Rating Condition to be satisfied with respect to Moody's.

(e) On the applicable Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or its agent) shall confirm, as shall be certified to the Trustee by a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer (i) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Extension Sale Securities in compliance with all transfer restrictions in this Indenture and the Preference Share Documents and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (ii) whether the requirements of clause (c)(iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date and (iii) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

(f) On each Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension shall automatically become effective under the terms of this Indenture; provided that all Extension Conditions set forth in subparagraph (c) above, and other applicable requirements of this Section 2.4 are satisfied, as determined by the Issuer upon consultation with the Servicer (and as certified to the Trustee by a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer). No later than two Business Days after each Extension Effective Date, the Trustee based on such determination made by the Issuer in consultation with the Servicer, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail a notice to all Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) and the Irish Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed thereon) confirming whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension became effective, the Issuer shall make any required notifications thereof to the Depository for any Notes subject to the Maturity Extension.

(g) In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Noteholder, other than a Holder of Extension Sale Securities, shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment. Holders of Preference Shares shall not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

The Extension Bonus Payment shall be payable to any applicable qualifying beneficial owners, as determined by the Issuer, who have provided the Trustee with an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification on the first Payment Date from and including each Extension Effective Date on which funds are available to be used for such purposes in accordance with Priority of Payments, but in any event, no later than the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption of the Notes. Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments shall not be considered "due and payable" hereunder. The failure to pay any such Extension Bonus Payment on such date shall not be an Event of Default, unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Securities. Unpaid Extension Bonus



Payments shall not accrue interest. Such amounts shall be paid, in the case of the Notes, to the accounts designated in the applicable Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification or, to the extent otherwise required by the rules of any applicable securities exchange or clearing agency, in a manner determined by the Issuer.

(h) If any Holder of Class II Preference Shares delivers an Extension Sale Notice notifying the Issuer and the Trustee of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Class II Preference Shares, such Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to the Extension Qualifying Purchaser and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares.

#### Section 2.5. *Execution, Authentication, Delivery, and Dating.*

The Notes shall be executed on behalf of each of the Applicable Issuers by one of their respective Authorized Officers. The signature of the Authorized Officer on the Notes may be manual or facsimile.

Notes bearing the manual or facsimile signatures of individuals who were at any time the Authorized Officers of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, shall bind the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, notwithstanding that any of them have ceased to hold their offices before the authentication and delivery of the Notes or did not hold their offices at the date of issuance of the Notes.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Indenture, the Co-Issuers may deliver the Senior Notes and the Issuer may deliver the Class E Notes, in each case executed by the Applicable Issuers to the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent, for authentication and the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent, upon Issuer Order, shall authenticate and deliver the Notes as provided in this Indenture and not otherwise.

Each Note authenticated and delivered by the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent upon Issuer Order on the Closing Date shall be dated as of the Closing Date. All other Notes that are authenticated after the Closing Date for any other purpose under this Indenture shall be dated the date of their authentication.

Notes issued upon transfer, exchange, or replacement of other Notes shall be issued in authorized denominations reflecting the original Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes so transferred, exchanged, or replaced, but shall represent only the current outstanding principal amount of the Notes so transferred, exchanged, or replaced. If any Note is divided into more than one Note in accordance with this Article 2, the original principal amount of the Note shall be proportionately divided among the Notes delivered in exchange for it and shall be the original aggregate principal amount of the subsequently issued Notes.

No Note shall be entitled to any benefit under this Indenture or be valid or obligatory for any purpose, unless there appears on the Note a Certificate of Authentication executed by the Trustee or by the Authenticating Agent by the manual signature of one of their Authorized Officers, and that certificate on any Note shall be conclusive evidence, and the only evidence, that the Note has been duly authenticated and delivered under this Indenture.

#### Section 2.6. *Registration, Registration of Transfer and Exchange.*

(a) The Issuer shall cause a register (the "**Indenture Register**") to be kept in which the Issuer shall provide for the registration of Notes and the registration of transfers of Notes. The Trustee is hereby initially appointed "**Indenture Registrar**" for the purpose of registering Notes and transfers of the Notes as provided in this Indenture. The Issuer may rely conclusively on any such information provided to it by the Trustee. Upon any resignation or removal of the Indenture Registrar, the Issuer shall promptly appoint a successor and notify the Servicer of the appointment or, in the absence of such appointment, assume the duties of Indenture Registrar.

If the Issuer appoints a Person other than the Trustee to be Indenture Registrar, the Issuer will give the Trustee prompt written notice of the appointment of the Indenture Registrar and of the location, and any change in the location, of the Indenture Register. The Trustee may inspect the Indenture Register at all reasonable times and obtain copies of it. The Trustee may rely on a certificate executed on behalf of the Indenture Registrar by an Officer of the Indenture Registrar as to the names and addresses of the Noteholders and the principal amounts and number of the Notes.

Upon surrender for registration of transfer of any Notes at the office or agency of the Applicable Issuers to be maintained pursuant to Section 7.2, if the requirements of this Indenture are met the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in the name of the designated transferees, new Notes of any authorized denomination and of a like original Aggregate Outstanding Amount.

At the option of their Holder, Notes may be exchanged for Notes of like terms, in any authorized denominations and of like aggregate principal amount, upon surrender of the Notes to be exchanged at the office or agency of the Applicable Issuers to be maintained pursuant to Section 7.2. Whenever any Note is surrendered for exchange, the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, the Notes that the Noteholder making the exchange is entitled to receive.

All Notes issued on any registration of transfer or exchange of Notes shall be the valid obligations of the Applicable Issuers evidencing the same obligations and entitled to the same benefits under this Indenture as the Notes surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

Every Note presented or surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange shall be duly endorsed, or be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Indenture Registrar duly executed by its holder or his attorney duly authorized in writing.

No Holder shall incur a service charge for any registration of transfer or exchange of the Notes, but the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

(b) No Note may be sold or transferred (including by pledge or hypothecation) unless the sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, is exempt from the registration requirements under applicable state securities laws, and will not cause either of the Co-Issuers to become subject to the requirement that it register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act. None of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee or any other Person shall have any obligation to register the Notes under the Securities Act or any state securities laws.

(c) (i) In the case of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes, on each day from the date on which a Holder or transferee acquires such Holder's or subsequent transferee's interest in such Notes through and including the date on which such Holder or subsequent transferee disposes of such Holder's or subsequent transferee's interest in such Notes, such Holder or subsequent transferee (and each fiduciary acting on behalf of a Holder or a subsequent transferee (both in its fiduciary and corporate capacity)) shall be deemed to represent either that (A) such Holder or subsequent transferee is neither a Plan nor an entity whose underlying assets include "plan assets" by reason of such Plan's investment in the entity, nor a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan which is subject to any Substantially Similar Law or (B) (1) in connection with the acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class A Note, Class B Note, Class C Notes or Class D Note, the Holder's or transferee's fiduciary has determined that such Holder or transferee is receiving no less, and paying no more, than "adequate consideration" (within the meaning of Section 408(b)(17)(B) of ERISA and Section 4975(f)(10) of the Code) and (2) such Holder's or transferee's acquisition, holding and disposition of such Notes will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan, a violation of any Substantially Similar Law). Any

purported purchase or transfer of the Senior Notes to a Holder or transferee that does not comply with the requirements of this subsection (i) shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(ii) (A) Each Holder or subsequent transferee of a Class E Note (and each fiduciary acting on behalf of a Holder or a subsequent transferee (both in its fiduciary and corporate capacity)) will be required to represent whether such Holder or subsequent transferee is (or is not, as applicable) a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person. No Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person will be permitted to purchase Class E Notes unless such Holder's or subsequent transferee's acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class E Notes, (x) will not cause participation by Benefit Plan Investors to be "significant" within the meaning of the Plan Asset Regulation and (y) (1) in connection with the acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class E Note, the Holder's or subsequent transferee's fiduciary has determined that such Holder or subsequent transferee is receiving no less, and paying no more, than "adequate consideration" (within the meaning of Section 408(b)(17)(B) of ERISA and Section 4975(f)(10) of the Code) and (2) such Holder's or subsequent transferee's acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class E Notes will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code. If the Holder or the subsequent transferee is a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan that is subject to any Substantially Similar Law, such Holder or subsequent transferee (and each fiduciary acting on behalf of a Holder or a subsequent transferee (both in its fiduciary and corporate capacity)) shall represent and warrant that such Holder's or subsequent transferee's acquisition, holding and disposition of a Class E Note will not constitute or result in a non-exempt violation under any such Substantially Similar Law.

(B) In determining whether participation by Benefit Plan Investors is "significant", Class E Notes beneficially held by (1) the Servicer, the Trustee, any of their respective Affiliates, employees of the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates and any charitable foundation of any such employees or (2) persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons, will be disregarded and will not be treated as Outstanding for purposes of whether participation by Benefit Plan Investors is "significant" to the extent that persons listed in (1) or (2) are not Benefit Plan Investors.

(C) Each Holder or subsequent transferee (and each fiduciary acting on behalf of a Holder or a subsequent transferee (both in its fiduciary and corporate capacity)) acknowledges that a transfer of the Class E Notes will not be permitted, and no such transfer or exchange will be registered under this Indenture, to the extent that the transfer or exchange would result in Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class E Notes immediately after such transfer or exchange (determined in accordance with the Plan Asset Regulation and this Indenture).

(iii) If any Person shall become the beneficial owner of an interest in a Class E Note who has made a Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person representation that is subsequently shown to be false or misleading or whose beneficial ownership otherwise causes a violation of the 25% Limitation (any such person a "**Non-Permitted ERISA Holder**"), the Issuer shall, promptly after discovery that such person is a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee (and notice by the Trustee or the Co-Issuer to the Issuer, if either of them makes the discovery), send notice to such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder demanding that such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder transfer its interest to a person that is not a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder within 14 days of the date of such notice. If such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder fails to so transfer its Class E Notes, the Issuer shall have the right, without further notice to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder, to sell (and shall sell if directed to do so by the Servicer) such Class E Notes or interest in such Class E Notes, to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is not a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder on such terms as the Issuer may choose. The Issuer, or the Trustee acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the

purchaser by soliciting one or more bids from one or more brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Class E Notes and selling such Class E Notes to the highest such bidder. However, the Issuer or the Trustee may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Class E Note, the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder, by its acceptance of an interest in the Class E Notes, agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Trustee to effect such transfers. The proceeds of such sale, net of any commissions, expenses and taxes due in connection with such sale, shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder. The terms and conditions of any sale under this subsection (iii) shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer, and none of the Issuer, the Servicer or the Trustee shall be liable to any Person having an interest in the Class E Notes sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of such discretion (including for the price of such sale).

(d) None of the Trustee, the Share Registrar or the Indenture Registrar shall be responsible for ascertaining whether any transfer complies with, or for otherwise monitoring or determining compliance with, the requirements or terms of the Securities Act, applicable state securities laws, ERISA, the Code or the Investment Company Act; except that if a certificate or any other document is specifically required by this Section 2.6 to be provided to the Trustee, the Share Registrar or the Indenture Registrar by a prospective transferee, the Trustee, the Share Registrar or the Indenture Registrar, as applicable, shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine whether it conforms substantially on its face to the applicable requirements of this Section 2.6.

(e) For so long as any of the Notes are Outstanding, the Issuer shall not issue or register the transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares to U.S. persons and the Co-Issuer shall not issue or register the transfer of any of its shares of the Co-Issuer to U.S. persons. As used in this subsection (e), "U.S. person" has the meaning assigned to it in Regulation S.

(f) So long as a Global Note remains Outstanding and is held by or on behalf of the Depository, transfers of the Global Note, in whole or in part, shall only be made in accordance with Section 2.2(c), Section 2.6(c) and this Section 2.6(f).

(i) Subject to clauses (ii), (iii) and (iv) of this Section 2.6(f), transfers of a Global Note shall be limited to transfers of the Global Note in whole, but not in part, to nominees of the Depository.

(ii) *Rule 144A Global Note to Regulation S Global Note.* If a Holder of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note deposited with the Depository wishes at any time to exchange its interest in the Rule 144A Global Note for an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note, or to transfer its interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to a Person who wishes to take delivery of it in the form of an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note, the Holder may exchange or transfer the interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note (subject to the rules and procedures of the Depository) if the Holder after the exchange or transfer is not a U.S. person.

The Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository to reduce the principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Note and to increase the principal amount of the Regulation S Global Note by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to be exchanged, and to credit to the securities account of the Person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note equal to the reduction in the principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Note upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of:

(A) instructions given in accordance with the Depository's procedures from an Agent Member directing the Indenture Registrar to credit a beneficial interest in the

corresponding Regulation S Global Note, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to the Holder's Senior Notes, equal to the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to be exchanged or transferred,

(B) a written order given in accordance with the Depository's procedures containing information regarding the participant account of the Depository and the Euroclear or Clearstream account to be credited with the increase,

(C) the transferor shall be deemed to make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-3 given by the Holder of the beneficial interest stating that the exchange or transfer of the interest has been made in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Global Notes, including that the Holder or the transferee, as applicable, is not a U.S. person, and that the transfer has been made pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S, and

(D) the transferee shall be deemed to make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in a certificate in the applicable form of Exhibit B-1 given by the proposed transferee stating that it is not a U.S. person.

(iii) *Regulation S Global Note to Rule 144A Global Note.* If a Holder of a Senior Note held as a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note deposited with the Depository wishes at any time to exchange its interest in the Regulation S Global Note for an interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note or to transfer its interest in the Regulation S Global Note to a Person who wishes to take delivery of it in the form of an interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note, the Holder may, subject to the rules and procedures of Euroclear, Clearstream or the Depository, as the case may be, exchange or transfer, or cause the exchange or transfer of, the interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note. Upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of:

(A) instructions from Euroclear, Clearstream or the Depository, as the case may be, directing the Indenture Registrar to cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note equal to the beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Note, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to the Holder's Senior Notes, to be exchanged or transferred, the instructions to contain information regarding the participant account with the Depository to be credited with the increase,

(B) the transferor shall be deemed to make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-2 given by the Holder of the beneficial interest and stating that, in the case of an exchange, the Holder is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser or, in the case of a transfer, the Person transferring the interest in the Regulation S Global Note reasonably believes that the Person acquiring the interest in a Rule 144A Global Note is a Qualified Institutional Buyer, is obtaining the beneficial interest in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction, and a Qualified Purchaser, and

(C) the transferee shall be deemed to make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-1 given by the proposed transferee stating that it is a QIB/QP,

the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository to reduce the Regulation S Global Note by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Note to be transferred or exchanged and the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository, concurrently with the



reduction, to credit to the securities account of the Person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note equal to the reduction in the principal amount of the Regulation S Global Note.

(iv) *Other Exchanges.* If a Global Note is exchanged for a Senior Note in definitive registered form without interest coupons pursuant to Section 2.11, the Senior Notes may be exchanged for one another only in accordance with procedures substantially consistent with the provisions above (including the certification requirements, intended to insure that the transfers are made only to Holders who are QIB/QPs or non-U.S. persons, or otherwise comply with Regulation S, as the case may be), and as may be from time to time adopted by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee.

(g) So long as the Class E Notes remain Outstanding transfers of such Class E Notes shall only be made in accordance with Section 2.6(c) and this Section 2.6(g) upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-4 given by the proposed transferee stating that it is a QIB/QP and containing other representations, warranties and agreements of such transferee and a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-5 given by the proposed transferee with respect to such transferee's benefit plan investor and affected bank status.

(h) If the Notes are issued upon the transfer, exchange, or replacement of Notes bearing the applicable legends in the applicable forms in Exhibit A, as applicable, and if a request is made to remove the legend on the Notes, the legend shall not be removed unless the Trustee and the Applicable Issuers received satisfactory evidence, which may include an Opinion of Counsel acceptable to them, reasonably required by the Applicable Issuers (and which shall by its terms permit reliance by the Trustee), to the effect that neither the legend nor the restrictions on transfer in it are required to ensure that transfers of the Notes comply with the Securities Act, the Investment Company Act, ERISA and the Code. Upon provision of satisfactory evidence, the Trustee or its Authenticating Agent, at the written direction of the Applicable Issuers shall, after due execution by the Applicable Issuers authenticate and deliver Notes that do not bear the applicable legend.

(i) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Section 2.6 to the contrary:

(i) Restrictions on U.S. Transfers. Transfers of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note that are not made in an offshore transaction pursuant to Regulation S or are made to U.S. Persons, if such transferees take delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note, shall be limited to transfers made pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.6(f)(iii) and Section 2.6(f)(iv).

(ii) Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may only be held through Euroclear or Clearstream.

(j) (i) Each Person who becomes a beneficial owner of a Senior Note evidenced by: (A) an interest in a Definitive Note, shall make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in the applicable Transferee Certificate set forth in Exhibit B-1 upon such Person's purchase or other acquisition of the relevant Definitive Note and (B) an interest in a Global Note, shall be deemed to make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in the applicable legends of the Notes set forth in Exhibit A-1 hereto and in the applicable Transferee Certificate set forth in Exhibit B-1 hereto upon such Person's purchase or other acquisition of the relevant Global Note.

(ii) Each Person who becomes a beneficial owner of a Class E Note shall (x) make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in the Transferee Certificate set forth in Exhibit B-4 and (y) make the representations set forth in the Benefit Plan Investor and Affected Bank Certificate set forth in Exhibit B-5 upon such Person's purchase or other acquisition of such Class E Note.

(k) The aggregate principal amount of any Global Note may be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee, as custodian for DTC for the Global Note, which adjustments shall be conclusive as to the aggregate principal amount of any Global Note.

(l) Any purported transfer of a Note not in accordance with this Section 2.6 shall be null and void.

**Section 2.7. *Mutilated, Destroyed, Lost or Stolen Notes.***

If the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, and the relevant Transfer Agent receive evidence to their satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of any Note, and they receive the security or indemnity they require to hold each of them harmless, or if any mutilated Note is surrendered to a Transfer Agent, then, in the absence of notice to the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, or the Transfer Agent that the Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the Applicable Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in exchange for the mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Note, a replacement Note, of like tenor and equal principal or face amount.

If, after delivery of the replacement Note or payment on it, a protected purchaser of the predecessor Note presents it for payment, transfer, or exchange, the Applicable Issuers, the Transfer Agent, and the Trustee may recover the replacement Note (or the payment on it) from the Person to whom it was delivered or any Person taking the replacement Note from the Person to whom the replacement Note was delivered or any assignee of that Person, except a protected purchaser, and may recover on the security or indemnity provided therefor to the extent of any loss, damage, cost, or expense incurred by the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, and the Transfer Agent in connection with it.

If the final payment in respect of any mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Note has become payable, the Applicable Issuers in their discretion may, instead of issuing a new Note pay the Note without requiring its surrender except that any mutilated Note shall be surrendered.

Upon the issuance of any new Note under this Section, the Applicable Issuers or the Trustee may require the payment by its holder of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with the issuance and any other expenses (including the fees and expenses of the Trustee) connected with it.

Every new Note issued pursuant to this Section in replacement for any mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Note shall be an original additional contractual obligation of the Applicable Issuers and the new Note shall be entitled to all the benefits of this Indenture equally and proportionately with all other Notes of the same Class duly issued under this Indenture, as applicable.

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

**Section 2.8. *Payment of Principal and Interest and Other Amounts; Principal and Interest Rights Preserved; Withholding.***

(a) The Notes of each Class shall accrue interest during each Interest Period on their Aggregate Outstanding Amount (determined as of the first day of the Interest Period and after giving effect to any redemption or other payment of principal occurring on that day) at the Applicable Note Interest Rate. Interest shall be payable in arrears on each Payment Date. Payment of interest on each Class of Notes shall be subordinated to the payments of interest on the related Priority Classes and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of interest due on the Class of Deferred Interest Notes that is not available to be paid ("**Deferred Interest**") in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered "payable" for the purposes of this Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Interest shall cease to accrue on each Note, or in the case of a partial repayment, on the part repaid, from the date of repayment or its Stated Maturity unless payment of principal is improperly withheld or unless there is some other default with respect to the payments of principal.

To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for the Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest, until paid as provided in this Indenture).

(b) The principal of each Note of each Class matures at par and is payable on the Payment Date that is the Stated Maturity for the Class of Notes, unless the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable at an earlier date by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the payment of principal of each Class of Notes:

(i) may only occur after principal on each Class of Notes that is a Priority Class with respect to the Class has been paid in full; and

(ii) is subordinated to the payment on each Payment Date of the principal and interest payable on the Priority Classes, and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments;

provided that, notwithstanding the foregoing, Interest Proceeds may be used to pay principal of the Class E Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class E Coverage Tests.

(c) Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Section 9.1.

(d) As a condition to the payment of principal of and interest on any Note without the imposition of U.S. withholding tax, the Paying Agent shall require the previous delivery of appropriate properly completed and signed original forms United States federal income tax certifications (generally, an Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a Person that is a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code or an appropriate Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a Person that is not a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) or any other certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, and any Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments on the Note under any present or future law of the United States or any present or future law of any political subdivision of the United States or taxing authority in the United States or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under any such law.

(e) Payments in respect of interest on and principal of any Note shall be made by the Trustee, or by the Irish Paying Agent, if applicable, in U.S. Dollars to the Depository or its designee with respect to a Global Note and to the Holder or its nominee with respect to a Definitive Note and a Class E Note, by wire transfer, as directed by the Holder, in immediately available funds to a U.S. Dollar account maintained by the Depository or its nominee with respect to a Global Note, and to the Holder or its designee with respect to a Definitive Note and a Class E Note. In the case of a Definitive Note and a Class E Note, its Holder has



provided written wiring instructions to the Trustee and, if the payment with respect to a Definitive Note is to be made by the Irish Paying Agent, the Irish Paying Agent, on or before the related Record Date.

If appropriate instructions for the wire transfer are not received by the related Record Date, then the payment will be made by check drawn on a U.S. bank mailed to the address of the Holder in the Indenture Register. Upon final payment due on the Maturity of a Note, its Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the office designated by the Trustee on or before the Maturity. If the Trustee and the Applicable Issuers have been furnished the security or indemnity they require to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the certificate, then, in the absence of notice to the Applicable Issuers or the Trustee that the applicable Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender. Neither the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Share Registrar nor any Paying Agent shall have any responsibility or liability for any aspects of the records maintained by Euroclear, Clearstream, or any of the Agent Members relating to or for payments made thereby on account of beneficial interests in a Global Note.

In the case where any final payment of principal and interest is to be made on any Note (other than on its Stated Maturity and except as otherwise provided in this Indenture), the Trustee, in the name and at the expense of the Applicable Issuers shall, not more than 30 days nor less than 10 days before the date on which the payment is to be made (or as soon as possible after known by the Trustee to be such final payment), mail (by first-class mail, postage prepaid) to the Persons entitled thereto at their addresses appearing on the Indenture Register, a notice specifying the date on which the payment will be made, the amount of the payment per U.S.\$100,000 original principal amount of Notes and the place where the Notes may be presented and surrendered for payment. If the Trustee and the Issuer have been furnished any security or indemnity they require to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the certificate, then, in the absence of notice to the Issuer or the Trustee that the applicable certificate has been acquired by a protected purchaser, final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender of the applicable certificate.

(f) Payments of principal to Holders of the Notes of each Class shall be made in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes of the Class registered in the name of each Holder on the applicable Record Date bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Notes of the Class on the Record Date.

(g) Interest accrued shall be calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in the applicable Interest Period divided by 360.

(h) All reductions in the principal amount of a Note (or one or more predecessor Notes) effected by payments of installments of principal made on any Payment Date or Redemption Date shall be binding on all future Holders of the Note and of any Note issued upon the registration of its transfer, exchange, or replacement, whether or not the payment is noted on the Note.

(i) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the obligations of the Co-Issuer under the Senior Notes and under this Indenture are non-recourse obligations, and the obligations of the Issuer under the Notes and under this Indenture are limited recourse obligations payable solely from the Collateral and following realization of the assets, application of their proceeds in accordance with this Indenture and the reduction of the proceeds of the Collateral to zero, all obligations of, and any claims against, the Co-Issuers under this Indenture or under the Notes or arising in connection therewith shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. No recourse shall be had against any Officer, director, employee, shareholder, or incorporator of either of the Co-Issuers or their respective successors or assigns for any amounts payable under the Notes or this Indenture. The foregoing provisions of this paragraph (i) shall not (1) prevent recourse to the Collateral for the sums due or to become due under any security, instrument, or agreement that is part of the Collateral or (2) be a waiver, release, or discharge of any indebtedness or obligation evidenced by the Notes or secured by this Indenture until the Collateral have been realized. The foregoing provisions of this paragraph (i) shall not limit the right of any Person to name the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as a party defendant in any

Proceeding or in the exercise of any other remedy under the Notes or this Indenture, so long as no judgment in the nature of a deficiency judgment or seeking personal liability is sought or (if obtained) enforced against the person.

(j) If any withholding tax is imposed on the Issuer's payment (or allocations of income) under the Notes to any Noteholder, the tax shall reduce the amount otherwise distributable to the Noteholder. The Trustee is hereby authorized and directed to retain from amounts otherwise distributable to any Noteholder sufficient funds for the payment of any tax that is legally owed, or required by law to be collected, by or on behalf of the Issuer (but the authorization shall not prevent the Trustee or the Issuer from contesting any such tax in appropriate proceedings and withholding payment of the tax, if permitted by law, pending the outcome of the proceedings). The amount of any withholding tax imposed with respect to any Noteholder shall be treated as Cash distributed to the Noteholder when it is withheld by the Trustee and remitted to the appropriate taxing authority. If there is a possibility that withholding tax is payable with respect to a distribution, the Trustee may in its sole discretion withhold the amounts in accordance with this Section 2.8(j). If any Noteholder wishes to apply for a refund of any such withholding tax, the Trustee shall reasonably cooperate with the Noteholder in making the claim by providing information readily available to the Trustee so long as the Noteholder agrees to reimburse the Trustee for any out-of-pocket expenses incurred and provides the Trustee with security reasonably acceptable to the Trustee assuring the reimbursement. The Trustee hereby provides notice to each Noteholder that the failure by the Noteholder to provide the Trustee with appropriate tax certifications may result in amounts being withheld from payments to the Noteholder. Nothing in this Indenture shall impose an obligation on the part of the Trustee to determine the amount of any tax or withholding obligation on the part of the Issuer or in respect of the Notes.

#### Section 2.9. *Persons Considered Owners.*

The Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, and any agent of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee may treat as the owner of the Note the Person in whose name any Note is registered on the Indenture Register on the applicable Record Date for the purpose of receiving payments on the Note and on any other date for all other purposes whatsoever (whether or not the Note is overdue), and neither the Issuer, the Co-Issuer nor the Trustee nor any agent of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee shall be affected by notice to the contrary. Pursuant to the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will notify the Trustee and the Share Registrar of any Securities that are owned by the Servicer or any Affiliate of the Servicer.

#### Section 2.10. *Cancellation.*

All Notes surrendered for payment, registration of transfer, exchange, or redemption, or lost or stolen, shall be promptly canceled by the Trustee and may not be reissued or resold. No Notes shall be authenticated in lieu of or in exchange for any Notes canceled as provided in this Section 2.10, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture. All canceled Notes held by the Trustee shall be destroyed by the Trustee in accordance with its standard policy unless the Applicable Issuers direct by an Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee prior to cancellation and destruction that they be returned to the Issuer.

#### Section 2.11. *Definitive Notes.*

(a) A Global Note deposited with the Depository pursuant to Section 2.2 shall be transferred in the form of a Definitive Note to its beneficial owners only if the transfer complies with Section 2.6 and either

(i) the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as Depository for the Global Note or

(ii) if at any time the Depository ceases to be a Clearing Agency registered under the Exchange Act and, in each case, a successor depository is not appointed by the Co-Issuers within 90 days after the notice.

(b) Any Global Note that is transferable in the form of a Definitive Note to its beneficial owners pursuant to this Section 2.11 shall be surrendered by the Depository to the Corporate Trust Office (or any other office designated by the Trustee) to be so transferred, in whole or from time to time in part, without charge, and the Applicable Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, upon the transfer of each portion of the Global Note, an equal aggregate principal amount of definitive physical certificates (pursuant to the instructions of the Depository) (each, a "**Definitive Note**") in authorized denominations. Any Definitive Note delivered in exchange for an interest in a Global Note, as applicable, shall, except as otherwise provided by Section 2.6(j), bear the legends in the applicable portion of Exhibit A-1 and shall be subject to the transfer restrictions referred to in the legends.

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

(d) Upon the occurrence of either of the events specified in Section 2.11(a)(i) and (ii), the Co-Issuers shall promptly make available to the Trustee a reasonable supply of Definitive Notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons.

The Definitive Notes shall be in substantially the same form as the Global Notes, with any changes the Issuer and Trustee agree to and the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in exchange therefor, the same aggregate principal amount of Definitive Notes of authorized denominations.

#### Section 2.12. ***Notes Beneficially Owned by Non-Permitted Holders.***

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary elsewhere in this Indenture, (i) any transfer of a beneficial interest in any Global Note to a U.S. person (for purposes of this Section 2.12 as defined in Regulation S) that is not a QIB/QP and that is not made pursuant to an applicable exemption under the Securities Act and (ii) any transfer of a beneficial interest in any Class E Note to a Person that is not a QIB/QP, shall be void and any such purported transfer of which the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee has notice may be disregarded by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Trustee for all purposes.

(b) After discovery by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee (and notice by the Trustee or the Co-Issuer to the Issuer, if either of them makes the discovery) that a Person is a Non-Permitted Holder, the Issuer shall promptly send notice to the Non-Permitted Holder demanding that the Non-Permitted Holder transfer its interest to a Person that is not a Non-Permitted Holder within 30 days of the date of the notice. If the Non-Permitted Holder fails to so transfer its Notes or interest in the Notes without further notice to the Non-Permitted Holder, the Issuer may sell the Notes or interest in the Notes to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is not a Non-Permitted Holder on any terms the Issuer chooses. The Issuer, or the Trustee acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting bids (or by appointing an investment bank at the expense of the Issuer to solicit bids) from brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Notes, and selling the Notes, or interest in the Notes to the highest bidder. However, the Issuer or the Trustee may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Note, the beneficial owner of each interest in a Note, the Non-Permitted Holder, and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder or beneficial owner to the Non-Permitted Holder, by its acceptance of an interest in the Notes agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Trustee to effect the transfers. The proceeds of the sale, net of any commissions, expenses of the Trustee or otherwise, and taxes due in connection with the sale shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted Holder. The terms of any sale under this subsection shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer (or the Trustee acting on its behalf), and the Issuer and the Trustee shall not be liable to any Person having an interest in the Notes sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of its discretion.

#### Section 2.13 ***Tax Purposes***

The Issuer agrees, and each Holder and each beneficial owner of a Note, by acceptance of its Note or its interest in a Note, as the case may be, shall be deemed to have agreed, to treat, and shall treat, such Note as unconditional debt of the Issuer for tax, accounting and financial reporting purposes.

### ARTICLE 3

#### CONDITIONS PRECEDENT

##### Section 3.1. *Conditions to Issuance of Notes on Closing Date.*

(a) The Notes to be issued on the Closing Date shall be executed by the Applicable Issuers and delivered to the Trustee for authentication and thereupon the same shall be authenticated and delivered by the Trustee upon Issuer Order and upon receipt by the Trustee of the following:

(i) *Officers' Certificates of the Co-Issuers Regarding Corporate Matters.* An Officer's certificate of each of the Co-Issuers:

(A) (1) evidencing (x) the authorization by Board Resolution of the execution and delivery of this Indenture and the Purchase Agreement and, in the case of the Issuer, the Servicing Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Securities Account Control Agreement and any Hedge Agreements being entered into on or before the Closing Date (if any), and related transaction documents and (y) the execution, authentication and delivery of the Notes applied for by it and specifying the Stated Maturity, principal amount and the Note Interest Rate of each applicable Class of Notes to be authenticated and delivered and (2) with respect to the Issuer only, evidencing the authorization by Board Resolution of the issuance, terms and number of Preference Shares issued on the Closing Date, and that each of the foregoing is in accordance with the terms of the Board Resolution, and

(B) certifying that (1) the attached copy of the Board Resolution is an accurate copy, (2) the resolutions have not been rescinded and are in full force on and as of the Closing Date and (3) the Officers authorized to execute and deliver the documents hold the offices and have the signatures indicated on the documents.

(ii) *Governmental Approvals.* From each of the Co-Issuers either:

(A) a certificate of the Applicable Issuer or other official document evidencing the due authorization, approval or consent of any governmental bodies, at the time having jurisdiction in the premises, together with an Opinion of Counsel of the Applicable Issuer that no other authorization, approval or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of the Securities applied for by it, or

(B) an Opinion of Counsel of the Applicable Issuer that no authorization, approval, or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of the Securities except as have been given; provided that the opinions of McKee Nelson, LLP and Maples and Calder, substantially in the forms of Exhibit C and Exhibit D, respectively, shall satisfy this clause (B).

(iii) *Co-Issuers' and Servicer's U.S. Counsel Opinion.* Opinions of McKee Nelson LLP, special U.S. counsel to the Co-Issuers, and an opinion of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, counsel to the Servicer, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the forms of Exhibit C and Exhibit F.

(iv) *Issuer's Cayman Counsel Opinion.* An opinion of Maples and Calder, Cayman Islands counsel to the Issuer, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit D.

(v) *Trustee's Counsel Opinion.* An opinion of Nixon Peabody LLP, counsel to the Trustee, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit E.

(vi) *Officers' Certificates of Co-Issuers Regarding Indenture.* An Officer's certificate of each of the Co-Issuers stating that, to the best of the Officer's knowledge,

(A) the Applicable Issuer is not in default under this Indenture and that the issuance of the Securities applied for by it will not result in a default or a breach of, or be a default under, its organizational documents, any indenture or other agreement or instrument to which it is a party or by which it is bound, or any order of any court or administrative agency entered in any Proceeding to which it is a party or by which it may be bound or to which it may be subject;

(B) all conditions precedent in this Indenture relating to the authentication and delivery of the applicable Notes have been complied with; and

(C) all expenses due or accrued with respect to the Offering or relating to actions taken on or in connection with the Closing Date have been paid or reserves therefor have been made.

The Officer's certificate of the Issuer shall also state that, to the best of the Officer's knowledge, all of its representations and warranties contained in this Indenture are accurate as of the Closing Date.

(vii) *Hedge Agreements.* Executed copies of any Hedge Agreements being entered into on or entered into before the Closing Date, if any.

(viii) *Servicing Agreement.* Executed copy of the Servicing Agreement.

(ix) *Preference Shares.* Copies of executed Preference Share certificates to be issued on the Closing Date.

(x) *Preference Share Documents.* Executed copy of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

(xi) *Collateral Administration Agreement.* Executed copy of the Collateral Administration Agreement.

(xii) *Grant of Collateral Obligations.* Evidence of the Grant pursuant to the Granting Clauses of this Indenture of all of the Issuer's interest in the Collateral Obligations pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, on the Closing Date and Delivery of the Collateral Obligations (including any promissory notes and all other Underlying Instruments related to them to the extent received by the Issuer) to the Trustee or the Custodian as contemplated by Section 3.2.

(xiii) *Certificate of the Servicer.* A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, in the case of each Collateral Obligation pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, as the case may be, on the Closing Date and immediately before the delivery of the Collateral Obligations on the Closing Date:



(A) the "row/column combination" of the table appearing in the definition of "Ratings Matrix" selected by the Servicer on the Closing Date;

(B) the information with respect to the Collateral Obligation in the Schedule of Collateral Obligations is correct; and

(C) the Collateral Obligation satisfies the requirements of the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and of Section 3.1(a)(xx)(B);

(xiv) *Rating Letters.* Copies of letters signed by each of the Rating Agencies confirming that the Class A Notes have been rated "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, that the Class B Notes have been rated at least "Aa2" by Moody's and at least "AA" by S&P, that the Class C Notes have been rated at least "A2" by Moody's and at least "A" by S&P, that the Class D Notes have been rated at least "Baa2" by Moody's and at least "BBB" by S&P, that the Class E Notes have been rated at least "Ba2" by Moody's and at least "BB" by S&P, and that such ratings are in effect on the Closing Date.

(xv) *Accounts.* Evidence that each of the Accounts has been established.

(xvi) *Issuer Order for Deposit of Funds into Accounts.* An Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, authorizing the deposit of at least U.S.\$209,924,014.19 into the Collection Account for use pursuant to Section 7.19 and the deposit of at least U.S.\$2,050,000 into the Closing Date Expense Account for use pursuant to Section 10.3(g).

(xvii) *Irish Listing.* An Officer's certificate of the Issuer to the effect that application has been made to the Irish Stock Exchange to admit the Senior Notes to the *Official List* of the Irish Stock Exchange.

(xviii) *Issuer Order for Authentication of Notes.* An Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, directing the Trustee to authenticate the Notes in the amounts, in the registered names and with the CUSIP numbers in the Issuer Order.

(xix) *Accountants' Certificate.* An Accountants' Certificate satisfactory to the Issuer (A) confirming the information with respect to each Collateral Obligation on the Schedule of Collateral Obligations attached as Schedule 1, (B) confirming that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that the Issuer has purchased or committed to purchase in accordance with customary settlement procedures in the relevant markets, is approximately U.S.\$962,600,000, that the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date and that the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date and a calculation of the Diversity Score, (C) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to this Section 3.1(a)(xix), (D) confirming the weighted average purchase price of the Collateral Obligations and (E) indicating the percentage of Collateral Obligations constituting Deep Discount Obligations.

(xx) *Certificate of the Issuer Regarding Collateral.* A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, to the knowledge of the Issuer, in the case of each Collateral Obligation pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, as the case may be, on the Closing Date and immediately before the Delivery of the Collateral Obligation on the Closing Date:

(A) the Issuer has good and marketable title to such Collateral Obligation free and clear of any liens, claims, encumbrances or defects of any nature whatsoever except for those that are being released on the Closing Date and except for those Granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture;

(B) the Issuer has acquired its ownership in such Collateral Obligation in good faith without notice of any adverse claim, except as described in paragraph (A) above;

(C) the Issuer has not assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered any interest in such Collateral Obligation (or, if any interest in the Collateral Obligation has been assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered, it has been released before the Closing Date or is being released on the Closing Date) other than interests Granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture;

(D) the Issuer has full right to Grant a security interest in and assign and pledge such Collateral Obligation to the Trustee;

(E) upon Grant by the Issuer, the Trustee has a first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral Obligations and the other Collateral;

(F) based solely on the Accountant's Certificate set forth in clause (xix) above, the weighted average purchase price of the Collateral Obligations in the Collateral as of the Closing Date is at least 90% of the aggregate par amount thereof; and

(G) the Issuer has made delivery to the Trustee or to a Custodian as contemplated by Section 3.2 of all Collateral Obligations pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral on the Closing Date (including any and all promissory notes and other Underlying Instruments related to them to the extent received by the Issuer or on its behalf).

(xxi) *Certificate of the Issuer Regarding Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice.* A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date to the effect that, on or prior to the Closing Date the Issuer provided to the Depository the Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice, substantially in the form of Exhibit G-2.

(xxii) *Other Documents.* Any other documents the Trustee reasonably requires. Nothing in this clause (xxii) shall imply or impose a duty on the part of the Trustee to require any other documents.

(b) Any Refinancing Note may be issued from time to time pursuant to Section 9.7 hereof. Any such Refinancing Notes shall be executed by the Applicable Issuer and delivered to the Trustee for authentication, and thereupon shall be authenticated and delivered by the Trustee upon and pursuant to Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee, together with delivery to the Trustee by the Issuer of an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that (A) such Refinancing Notes are duly authorized and validly issued by the Applicable Issuer pursuant to the Indenture, constituting the legal, valid and binding obligation of such Applicable Issuer, enforceable against such Issuer in accordance with its terms and (B) all conditions precedent under this Indenture, if any, applicable to the issuance, authentication and delivery of such Notes, have been satisfied.

### Section 3.2. ***Custodianship; Delivery of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments.***

(a) The Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall deliver or cause to be delivered to a custodian appointed by the Issuer, which shall be a Securities Intermediary (the "***Custodian***"), all Collateral in accordance with the definition of "Deliver." Initially, the Custodian shall be State Street Bank and Trust Company. Any successor custodian shall be a state or national bank or trust company that is not an Affiliate

of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, has a long-term debt rating of at least "Baa1" by Moody's (and not on credit watch with negative implications) and has combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000 and is a Securities Intermediary. Subject to the limited right to relocate Pledged Obligations as provided in Section 7.5(b), the Trustee shall hold all Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, other assets purchased in accordance with this Indenture (other than Loans, Participations and general intangibles) and Cash in the relevant Account established and maintained pursuant to Article 10, as to which in each case the Trustee shall have entered into a Securities Account Control Agreement with the Custodian in accordance with Article 8 of the UCC providing, *inter alia*, that the establishment and maintenance of the Account shall be governed by the law of the State of New York.

(b) Each time that the Issuer, or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, directs or causes the acquisition of any Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other assets, the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) shall, if the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other asset is required to be, but has not already been, transferred to the relevant Account, cause the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other asset to be Delivered to the Custodian to be held in the Custodial Account (or in the case of any such asset that is not a Collateral Obligation, in the Account in which the funds used to purchase the asset are held in accordance with Article 10) for the benefit of the Trustee in accordance with this Indenture. The security interest of the Trustee in the funds or other property used in connection with the acquisition shall, immediately and without further action on the part of the Trustee, be released. The security interest of the Trustee shall nevertheless come into existence and continue in the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other asset so acquired, including all interests of the Issuer in to any contracts related to and proceeds of the Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments or other assets.

### Section 3.3. ***Representations as to Collateral.***

The Issuer hereby represents and warrants to the Secured Parties as to the Collateral as follows (which representations are repeated on each day on which the Issuer acquires new Collateral):

(i) This Indenture creates a valid and continuing security interest (as defined in the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) in the Collateral in favor of the Trustee, which security interest is prior to all other liens, charges, claims, security interests, mortgages and other encumbrances, and is enforceable as such as against creditors of and purchasers from the Issuer.

(ii) Except for any Securities Lending Collateral and Synthetic Securities Collateral, the Issuer has good and marketable title to and is the owner of each item of Collateral free of any liens, claims, or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever except for liens (A) that are being released on the Closing Date and (B) granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture. The Issuer has a first priority security interest in all Securities Lending Collateral to secure all obligations of Securities Lending Counterparty under the Securities Lending Agreement and a first priority interest in all Synthetic Securities Collateral to secure all obligations of Synthetic Security Counterparty under the Synthetic Securities Agreement.

(iii) The Issuer has not assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered any interest in the Collateral (or, if any interest in the Collateral has been assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered, it has been released before the Closing Date or is being released on the Closing Date) other than interests granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture.

(iv) The Issuer has full right, and has received all consents and approvals required by the related Underlying Instruments, to grant a security interest in its rights in the Collateral to the Trustee.

(v) Each Collateral Obligation included in the Collateral satisfied the requirements of the definition of "Collateral Obligation" as of the date the Issuer committed to purchase the same or, in the



case of the Loans with respect to which loans were made by Pre-Closing Parties and repaid by the Issuer on the Closing Date, as of the Closing Date.

(vi) All Collateral Obligations, any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange did not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, and Eligible Investments (other than, in each case, "general intangibles" within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) have been and will have been credited to one of the Accounts. The securities intermediary for each Account has agreed to treat all assets credited to the Accounts as "financial assets" within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code.

(vii) The Issuer has pledged to the Trustee all of the Issuer's interest in each Collateral Obligation included in the Collateral pursuant to the Granting Clauses of this Indenture and has delivered each Collateral Obligation (including any promissory note and all its other Underlying Instruments to the extent received by the Issuer) to the Trustee or the Custodian as contemplated by Section 3.2.

(viii) Each of the Collateral constitutes "general intangibles," "certificated securities," "instruments," "securities entitlements," "uncertificated securities," "chattel paper" or "securities accounts," each within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code, or any other category of collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code as to which the Issuer has complied with its obligations under Section 3.3(b).

(ix) The Issuer has caused (or will have caused within 10 days following the Closing Date) the filing of appropriate financing statements in the proper filing offices in the appropriate jurisdictions under applicable law to perfect the security interest in the portion of the Collateral pledged to the Trustee under this Indenture that may be perfected by the filing of financing statements.

(x) The Issuer has not authorized the filing of and is not aware of any financing statements against the Issuer that include a description of collateral covering the Collateral other than any financing statement (A) relating to the security interest granted to the Trustee under this Indenture, (B) that has been terminated or (C) that names the Trustee as the secured party. On the date of this Indenture, the Issuer is not aware of any judgment or Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation or tax lien filings against the Issuer.

(xi) The Issuer has delivered to the Trustee a fully executed agreement pursuant to which the securities intermediary for each Account has agreed to comply with all instructions originated by the Trustee relating to the Account without further consent by the Issuer.

(xii) All original executed copies of each "instrument" (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral have been delivered to the Custodian, to the extent received by the Issuer. The Issuer has received confirmation from the Custodian that the Custodian has credited the instruments to one of the Accounts. None of the instruments that are or evidence the Collateral has any marks or notations indicating that they are then pledged or otherwise assigned to any Person other than the Trustee.

(xiii) The Accounts are not in the name of any Person other than the Issuer or the Trustee. The Issuer has not consented to the securities intermediary of any Account to comply with instructions of any Person other than the Trustee.

(xiv) All "certificated securities" (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral have been delivered to the Custodian, to the extent received by the Issuer, registered in the name of the Custodian or indorsed to the Custodian. The Issuer has

received confirmation from the Custodian that the Custodian has credited such certificated securities to one of the Accounts.

(xv) The Issuer has caused all "uncertificated securities" (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral to be registered in the name of the Custodian.

(xvi) Upon grant by the Issuer, the Trustee has a first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral.

The parties to this Indenture shall not waive any of the representations in this Section 3.3, unless the Rating Condition is satisfied in connection with such waiver. The Issuer shall provide each of the Rating Agencies with prompt written notice of any breach of the representations contained in this Section 3.3 upon becoming aware thereof, and shall not waive a breach of any of the representations in this Section 3.3, unless the Rating Condition is satisfied (as determined after any adjustment or withdrawal of the ratings following notice of such breach) in connection with such waiver.

If the Issuer acquires Collateral that is not "general intangibles," "certificated securities," "instruments," "securities accounts," "chattel paper," "securities entitlements" or "uncertificated securities," each within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code, or another category of collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code as to which the Issuer has complied with its obligations under this Section 3.3(b), then on or before the date on which the Issuer acquires the Collateral, the Issuer (or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer) shall notify S&P and the Trustee (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) of its acquisition or intended acquisition of the Collateral and the Issuer shall represent to S&P and to the Trustee (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) as to the category of the Collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code and shall make any further representations as to the perfection and priority of the security interest in the Collateral Granted under this Indenture acceptable to S&P.

## ARTICLE 4

### SATISFACTION AND DISCHARGE

#### Section 4.1. *Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture.*

This Indenture shall be discharged and shall cease to be of further effect with respect to the Notes and the Collateral except as to:

- (i) rights of registration of transfer and exchange,
- (ii) substitution of mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Notes,
- (iii) rights of Noteholders to receive payments of principal and interest on, or other amounts (including without limitation Extension Bonus Payments) owing in respect of, the Notes as provided in this Indenture,
- (iv) the rights, indemnities, and immunities of the Trustee under this Indenture and the obligations of the Trustee under Section 7.3 of this Indenture with respect to the holding and paying of unclaimed funds,
- (v) for so long as any Preference Shares remain Outstanding, any provisions hereof conferring any rights or remedies upon the Holders of the Preference Shares or the Preference Shares

Paying Agent on behalf of the Holders of the Preference Shares, including but not limited to, the provisions of Articles 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15,

(vi) for so long as any Preference Shares remain Outstanding, the provisions of Articles 10, 11 and 12 relating to the acquisition, retention and disbursement of Collateral,

(vii) the rights, obligations, and immunities of the Servicer under this Indenture and under the Servicing Agreement, and

(viii) the rights of Noteholders as beneficiaries of this Indenture with respect to the property deposited with the Trustee and payable to any of them (and the Trustee, on demand of and at the expense of the Issuer, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture),

when:

(a) either:

(i) all Notes theretofore authenticated and delivered to Holders of Notes (other than (A) Notes that have been destroyed, lost or stolen and which have been replaced or paid as provided in Section 2.7 and (B) Notes for whose payment money has theretofore irrevocably been deposited in trust and thereafter repaid to the Issuer or discharged from the trust, as provided in Section 7.3), have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation; or

(ii) all Notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation

(A) have become payable, or

(B) will become payable at their Stated Maturity within one year, or

(C) are to be called for redemption pursuant to Article 9 under an arrangement satisfactory to the Trustee for the giving of notice of redemption by the Applicable Issuers pursuant to Section 9.3,

and the Issuer has irrevocably deposited with the Trustee, in trust for payment of the principal and interest on the Notes, Cash or non-callable obligations of the United States of America. The obligations deposited under Section 4.1(a)(ii) with respect to the other Notes must be entitled to the full faith and credit of the United States of America or be debt obligations that are rated "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, in an amount sufficient, as verified by a firm of Independent certified public accountants that are nationally recognized, to pay and discharge the entire indebtedness on the Notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation, for principal and interest to the date of the deposit (in the case of Notes that have become payable), or to the respective Stated Maturity or the respective Redemption Date, as the case may be, and the Issuer shall have Granted to the Trustee a valid perfected security interest in the Eligible Investment that is of first priority, free of any adverse claim, and shall have furnished an Opinion of Counsel with respect thereto. Section 4.1(a)(ii) shall not apply if an election to act in accordance with Section 5.5(a) has been made and not rescinded. In addition, the Issuer shall cause delivery to the Trustee of a Tax Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the Noteholders would recognize no income, gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of the deposit and satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture;

(b) the Issuer has paid all other sums then payable under this Indenture by the Issuer and no other amounts are scheduled to be payable by the Issuer; and

(c) the Co-Issuers have delivered to the Trustee Officer's certificates and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent in this Indenture provided for relating to the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture have been complied with.

Notwithstanding the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture, the rights and obligations of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Servicer and, if applicable, the Noteholders, as the case may be, under Sections 2.8, 4.2, 5.4(d), 5.9, 5.18, 6.7, 6.8, 7.1, 7.3 and 13.1 shall survive.

Section 4.2. ***Application of Trust Money.***

All monies deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 4.1 shall be held in trust for the Person entitled to it and applied by the Trustee in accordance with the Notes and this Indenture, including the Priority of Payments, to the payment of principal and interest, either directly or through any Paying Agent, as the Trustee may determine. The money shall be held in a segregated non-interest bearing trust account identified as being held in trust for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

Section 4.3. ***Repayment of Monies Held by Paying Agent.***

In connection with the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture with respect to the Notes, all monies then held by any Paying Agent other than the Trustee under this Indenture shall, upon demand of the Co-Issuers, be paid to the Trustee to be held and applied pursuant to Section 7.3 and in accordance with the Priority of Payments and thereupon the Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to the monies.

## ARTICLE 5

### REMEDIES

Section 5.1. ***Events of Default.***

"***Event of Default,***" wherever used in this Indenture, means any one of the following events whatever the reason:

(a) a default for four Business Days in the payment of any interest on the Class A Notes or the Class B Notes, or, if no Class A Notes or Class B Notes are Outstanding, a default in the payment of any interest on the Controlling Class, in each case, when it becomes payable (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, the Irish Paying Agent or the Indenture Registrar, after seven Business Days);

(b) a default in the payment of principal (including Deferred Interest) of any Note, when the same becomes payable, at its Stated Maturity or on the Redemption Date;

(c) the failure on any Payment Date to disburse amounts available in the Payment Account in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the failure continues for three Business Days;

(d) on any Measurement Date for so long as any Class A Notes are Outstanding, the Overcollateralization Ratio with respect to the Class A Notes (which, for purposes of this clause (d), will be calculated without giving effect to clause 5(A) of the definition of "Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator") is less than 100%;

(e) either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral becomes an investment company under the Investment Company Act;

(f) breach of any other covenant or other agreement of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture (other than any failure to satisfy any of the Collateral Quality Tests, any of the Concentration Limitations, any of the Coverage Tests, the Retention Overcollateralization Test, or other covenants or agreements for which a specific remedy has been provided in this Section 5.1) in any material respect, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant thereto, or in connection therewith, to be correct in any material respect when made, and the breach or failure continues for 30 days after either of the Co-Issuers has actual knowledge of it or after notice to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, and the Servicer by the Trustee or to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class by registered or certified mail or overnight courier specifying the breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that the notice is a "Notice of Default" under this Indenture;

(g) the entry of a decree or order by a court having competent jurisdiction adjudging the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, or composition of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, and if the decree or order remains unstayed and in effect for 45 consecutive days;

(h) the institution by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of Proceedings to have the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as the case may be, adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings against the Issuer or Co-Issuer, or the filing by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Bankruptcy Law or any other similar applicable law, or the consent by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or the taking of any action by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in furtherance of any such action; or

(i) one or more final judgments is rendered against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer that exceed in the aggregate U.S.\$2,000,000 and that remain unstayed, undischarged, and unsatisfied for 30 days after the judgments become nonappealable, unless adequate funds have been reserved or set aside for their payment.

**Section 5.2. *Notice of Event of Default; Acceleration of Maturity; Rescission and Annulment.***

(a) Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Trustee shall give prompt (and in no event later than five Business Days after becoming aware of such event) notice thereof to the Noteholders.

(b) If an Event of Default is continuing (other than an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h)), the Trustee may, with consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class, and shall, upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, declare the principal of all the Notes to be immediately payable by notice to the Applicable Issuers and the Noteholders, and upon that declaration the unpaid principal of all the Notes, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), and other amounts payable under this Indenture, shall become immediately payable. The Replacement Period shall terminate upon a declaration of acceleration (subject to re-commencement pursuant to Section 5.2(c)). If an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h) occurs, all unpaid principal, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), of all the Notes, and other amounts payable under this Indenture, shall automatically become payable without any

declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any Noteholder and the Replacement Period shall terminate automatically (subject to re-commencement pursuant to Section 5.2(c)).

(c) At any time after the declaration of acceleration of maturity has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may rescind the declaration and its consequences:

(i) The Issuer or the Co-Issuer has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:

(A) all unpaid installments of interest and principal on the Notes then due;

(B) to the extent that payment of the interest is lawful, interest on any Deferred Interest and Defaulted Interest at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable;

(C) all Administrative Expenses of the Co-Issuers and other sums paid or advanced by the Trustee under this Indenture;

(D) all unpaid Senior Servicing Fees;

(E) all amounts then payable to any Hedge Counterparty; and

(ii) The Trustee has determined that all Events of Default, other than the non-payment of the interest on or principal of the Notes, have been (A) cured, and a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Trustee has agreed with that determination, or (B) waived as provided in Section 5.14.

No such rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right consequent thereon. The Issuer shall not terminate any Hedge Agreement at any time after a declaration of acceleration of Maturity of the Notes has been made, unless such declaration and its consequences may no longer be rescinded and annulled in accordance with this Section 5.2(c) and liquidation of the Collateral has begun.

If a declaration of acceleration is rescinded as described above:

(x) the Replacement Period, if terminated by the declaration, shall re-commence on the date of the rescission (unless the Replacement Period would have otherwise terminated before that date pursuant to clauses (i), (ii), or (iii) of its definition); and

(y) the Trustee shall retain the Collateral in accordance with this Indenture. If the retention of the Collateral is rescinded pursuant to Section 5.5, the Notes may again be accelerated pursuant to Section 5.2(b), notwithstanding any previous rescission of a declaration of acceleration pursuant to this Section 5.2(c).

No rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right resulting from the Default.

(d) Notwithstanding anything in this Section 5.2 to the contrary, the Notes will not be subject to acceleration by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class or any other Holders solely as a result of the failure to pay any amount due on Notes that are not of the Controlling Class.

### Section 5.3. *Collection of Indebtedness and Suits for Enforcement by Trustee.*

The Applicable Issuers covenant that if a default occurs in the payment of any principal of or interest when payable on any Note, upon demand of the Trustee or the Holder of any affected Note, the Applicable



Issuers shall pay to the Trustee, for the benefit of the Holder of the Note, the whole amount then payable on the Note for principal and interest with interest on the overdue principal and, to the extent that payments of the interest shall be legally enforceable, on overdue installments of interest and all other amounts owing to the Noteholders under this Indenture, at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable, and, in addition, an amount sufficient to cover the costs and expenses of collection, including the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee and the Holders and their agents and counsel.

If the Issuer or the Co-Issuer fails to pay those amounts immediately on demand, the Trustee, in its own name and as Trustee of an express trust, may (after giving prior written notice to the Controlling Class and absent the Trustee having received a written direction to the contrary from the Controlling Class), and shall at the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class (subject to Section 6.3(e)), institute a Proceeding for the collection of the sums due, may prosecute the Proceeding to judgment or final decree, and may enforce the same against the Applicable Issuers or any other obligor on the Notes and collect the monies determined to be payable in the manner provided by law out of the Collateral.

If an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee may (after giving prior written notice to the Controlling Class and absent the Trustee having received a written direction to the contrary from the Controlling Class), and shall upon written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class (subject to Section 6.3(e)), proceed to protect and enforce its rights and the rights of the Noteholders by any appropriate Proceedings as is deemed most effective (if no direction is received by the Trustee) or as the Trustee may be directed by a Majority of the Controlling Class, to protect and enforce the rights of the Trustee and the Noteholders, whether for the specific enforcement of any agreement in this Indenture or in aid of the exercise of any power granted in this Indenture, or to enforce any other proper remedy or legal or equitable right vested in the Trustee by this Indenture or by law. The reasonable compensation, costs, expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or paid by the Trustee and its agents and counsel, in connection with such Proceeding, including, without limitation, the exercise of any remedies pursuant to Section 5.4, shall be reimbursed to the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.8.

If any Proceedings are pending relating to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any other obligor on the Notes under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law, or if a receiver, assignee, or trustee in bankruptcy or reorganization, liquidator, sequestrator or similar official has been appointed for or taken possession of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or their respective property or any other obligor on the Notes or its property, or if any other comparable Proceedings are pending relating to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or other obligor on the Notes, or the creditors or property of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or other obligor on the Notes, the Trustee, regardless of whether the principal of any Notes is then payable by declaration or otherwise and regardless of whether the Trustee has made any demand pursuant to this Section 5.3, may, by intervention in the Proceedings or otherwise:

(a) file and prove claims for the whole amount of principal and interest owing and unpaid in respect of the Notes, and file any other papers or documents appropriate and take any other appropriate action (including sitting on a committee of creditors) to have the claims of the Trustee (including any claim for reasonable compensation to the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, and their respective agents, attorneys, and counsel, and for reimbursement of all expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, except as a result of negligence or bad faith) and of the Noteholders allowed in any Proceedings relating to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or other obligor on the Notes or to the creditors or property of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or other obligor on the Notes;

(b) unless prohibited by applicable law, vote on behalf of the Noteholders in any election of a trustee or a standby trustee in arrangement, reorganization, liquidation or other bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings or Person performing similar functions in comparable Proceedings; and

(c) collect and receive any monies or other property payable to or deliverable on any such claims, and distribute all amounts received with respect to the claims of the Noteholders and of the Trustee on their behalf; and any trustee, receiver or liquidator, custodian or other similar official is authorized by each of the Noteholders to make payments to the Trustee, and, if the Trustee consents to making payments directly to the Noteholders, to pay to the Trustee amounts sufficient to cover reasonable compensation to the Trustee, each predecessor Trustee, and their respective agents, attorneys, and counsel, and all other reasonable expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee except as a result of negligence or bad faith.

Nothing in this Indenture shall authorize the Trustee to authorize or consent to or vote for or accept or adopt on behalf of the Holder of any Note, any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition affecting the Notes or any Noteholder, or to authorize the Trustee to vote on the claim of the Holder of any Note in any Proceeding except, as aforesaid, to vote for the election of a trustee in bankruptcy or similar Person.

Notwithstanding anything in this Section 5.3 to the contrary, the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Collateral or institute Proceedings in furtherance of the sale or liquidation of the Collateral pursuant to this Section 5.3 except according to Section 5.5(a).

#### Section 5.4. ***Remedies.***

(a) If an Event of Default is continuing, and the Notes have been declared payable and the declaration and its consequences have not been rescinded, or at any time after the Stated Maturity, the Co-Issuers agree that the Trustee may (after giving prior written notice to the Controlling Class and absent the Trustee having received a written direction to the contrary from the Controlling Class), and shall, upon written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class (subject to Section 6.3(e)), to the extent permitted by applicable law, exercise one or more of the following rights:

(i) institute Proceedings for the collection of all amounts then payable on the Notes or otherwise payable under this Indenture, whether by declaration or otherwise, enforce any judgment obtained, and collect from the Collateral any monies adjudged due;

(ii) sell or liquidate all or a portion of the Collateral or interests in it, at one or more public or private sales called and conducted in any manner permitted by law and in accordance with Section 5.17;

(iii) institute Proceedings from time to time for the complete or partial foreclosure of this Indenture with respect to the Collateral;

(iv) exercise any remedies of a secured party under the UCC and take any other appropriate action to protect and enforce the rights of the Trustee and the Noteholders under this Indenture; and

(v) exercise any other rights that may be available at law or in equity;

*except* that the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Collateral or institute Proceedings in furtherance of the sale or liquidation of the Collateral pursuant to this Section 5.4 except according to Section 5.5(a).

(b) If an Event of Default as described in Section 5.1(f) is continuing the Trustee may, with the consent of, and shall, at the direction of, the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, subject to Section 5.8, institute a Proceeding solely to compel performance of the covenant or agreement or to cure the representation or warranty, the breach of which gave rise to the Event of Default under Section 5.1(f), and enforce any equitable decree or order arising from the Proceeding.



(c) Upon any sale, whether made under the power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, any Holders or the Servicer (subject to the Servicing Agreement) may bid for and purchase any part of the Collateral and, upon compliance with the terms of sale, may hold, retain, possess, or dispose of the Collateral in its or their own absolute right without accountability.

Upon any sale, whether made under the power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, the receipt of the Trustee, or of the Officer making a sale under judicial Proceedings, shall be a sufficient discharge to the purchasers at any sale for their purchase money, and the purchasers shall not be obliged to see to its application.

Any sale, whether under any power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, shall bind the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Noteholders, shall operate to divest all interest whatsoever, either at law or in equity, of each of them in the property sold, and shall be a perpetual bar, both at law and in equity, against each of them and their successors and assigns, and against all Persons claiming through or under them.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, none of the Trustee, the Secured Parties or the Noteholders may, before the date that is one year and one day (or if longer, any applicable preference period plus one day) after the payment in full of all Notes, institute against, or join any other Person in instituting against, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium, or liquidation Proceedings, or other Proceedings under the Bankruptcy Law or any similar laws in any jurisdiction. Nothing in this Section 5.4 shall preclude the Trustee or any Secured Party (i) from taking any action before the expiration of that period in (A) any case or Proceeding voluntarily filed or commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or (B) any involuntary insolvency Proceeding filed or commenced by a Person other than a Secured Party or (ii) from commencing against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any of its properties any legal action that is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation Proceeding.

#### Section 5.5. *Optional Retention of Collateral.*

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Indenture, if an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall retain the Collateral, collect, and cause the collection of the proceeds of the Collateral and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Collateral and the Notes, and any Hedge Agreements (other than amounts received under a Hedge Agreement that are used in putting a Replacement Hedge in place), in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Article 10 and Article 13 unless:

(i) the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, determines that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) of Section 11.1(a)(i); or

(ii) the Holders of a Super Majority of each of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral.

The Trustee shall give written notice of the retention of the Collateral to the Issuer with a copy to the Co-Issuer and the Servicer. So long as the Event of Default is continuing, any retention pursuant to this Section 5.5(a) may be rescinded at any time when the conditions specified in clause (i) or (ii) exist.

(b) Nothing contained in Section 5.5(a) shall be construed to require the Trustee to sell the Collateral if the conditions in clause (i) or (ii) of Section 5.5(a) are not satisfied. Nothing contained in Section 5.5(a) shall be construed to require the Trustee to retain the Collateral if prohibited by applicable law.

(c) In determining whether the condition specified in Section 5.5(a)(i) exists, the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, shall obtain bid prices with respect to each security contained in the Collateral from two nationally recognized dealers (or if there is only one market maker, that market maker and if there is no market maker, from a pricing service) selected and specified by the Servicer to the Trustee in writing, at the time making a market in those securities, and shall compute the anticipated proceeds of sale or liquidation on the basis of the lower of the bid prices for each security. In addition, for the purposes of determining issues relating to the valuation of the Collateral, the satisfaction of the conditions specified in this Indenture, the execution of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral, and the execution of a sale or other liquidation of the Collateral in connection with a determination whether the condition specified in Section 5.5(a)(i) exists, the Trustee may retain, at the Issuer's expense, and rely on an opinion of an Independent investment banking firm of national reputation, which may be the Initial Purchaser.

The Trustee shall deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Noteholders, the Co-Issuers, the Servicer and the Hedge Counterparties a report stating the results of any determination required pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i). The Trustee shall make the determinations required by Section 5.5(a)(i) after an Event of Default at the request of a Majority of the Controlling Class at any time during which the Trustee retains the Collateral pursuant to Section 5.5(a). The Trustee shall obtain (at the Issuer's expense) a letter of a firm of Independent certified public accountants confirming the mathematical accuracy of each calculation made by the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) and certifying their conformity to the requirements of this Indenture (to the extent such accountants are willing and able to do so).

(d) Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, the Trustee may not, and the Noteholders representing the requisite percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes specified in Section 5.4 or 5.5, may not instruct the Trustee to sell or liquidate or (except in connection with the concurrent execution of a Replacement Hedge) terminate any Hedge Agreement during the continuance of an Event of Default until all Collateral other than the Hedge Agreements has been sold or liquidated and its proceeds applied in accordance with this Indenture.

(e) Collateral may not be sold or liquidated pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) after the last date on which the sale or liquidation is permitted under Section 5.5(a)(i) with respect to a determination made pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) (the last permitted date being determined by the Trustee under Section 5.5(a)(i)), unless a new determination is made in accordance with Section 5.5(a)(i) and the Collateral is sold or liquidated before the last sale date permitted in accordance with the new determination.

#### Section 5.6. ***Trustee May Enforce Claims Without Possession of Notes.***

All rights of action and claims under this Indenture or under any of the Notes may be prosecuted and enforced by the Trustee without the possession of any of the Notes or their production in any trial or other Proceeding relating to them, and any Proceeding instituted by the Trustee shall be brought in its own name as trustee of an express trust, and any recovery of judgment shall be applied as provided in Section 5.7.

In any Proceedings brought by the Trustee (and any Proceedings involving the interpretation of any provision of this Indenture to which the Trustee shall be a party) the Trustee shall be held to represent all the Noteholders.

Section 5.7. ***Application of Money Collected.***

Any money collected by the Trustee with respect to the Notes pursuant to this Article 5 and any money that may then be held or subsequently received by the Trustee with respect to the Notes under this Indenture shall be applied, subject to Section 13.1 and in accordance with Section 11.1, at the dates fixed by the Trustee.

Section 5.8. ***Limitation on Suits.***

No Holder of any Note shall have any right to institute any Proceedings, judicial or otherwise, with respect to this Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy under this Indenture, unless:

- (a) the Holder has previously given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default;
- (b) the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute Proceedings with respect to the Event of Default in its own name as Trustee under this Indenture and the Holders have offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with the request;
- (c) the Trustee for 30 days after its receipt of the notice, request and offer of indemnity has failed to institute a Proceeding; and
- (d) no direction inconsistent with the written request has been given to the Trustee during the 30 day period by a Majority of the Controlling Class.

No Noteholder shall have any right in any manner whatsoever by virtue of, or by availing of, any provision of this Indenture to affect the rights of any other Noteholders of the same Class or to obtain or to seek to obtain priority or preference over any other Holders of Notes of the same Class or to enforce any right under this Indenture, except in the manner provided in this Indenture and for the equal and ratable benefit of all the Holders of Notes of the same Class subject to and in accordance with Section 13.1 and the Priority of Payments or Section 11.2, as the case may be.

If the Trustee receives conflicting or inconsistent requests and indemnity pursuant to this Section 5.8, from two or more groups of Holders of the Controlling Class, each representing less than a Majority of the Controlling Class, the Trustee shall take the action requested by the Holders of the largest percentage in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, notwithstanding any other provisions of this Indenture but subject to Section 6.3(e).

Section 5.9. ***Unconditional Rights of Noteholders.***

Notwithstanding any provision of this Indenture other than this Section 5.9 and Sections 2.8(i), 5.4(d), and 13.1, the Holder of any Note shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive payment of the principal of and interest on the Note as it comes due in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Section 13.1, and, subject to Section 5.8, to institute proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment, and that right shall not be impaired without the consent of the Holder. Noteholders ranking junior to Notes still Outstanding may not institute proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment until no Note ranking senior to their Note remains Outstanding, subject to Section 5.8, and shall not be impaired without the consent of any such Holder. For so long as any Notes are Outstanding, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be entitled to any payment of any amount for payments to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, on a claim against the Issuer unless there are sufficient funds to pay such amounts to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Section 5.10. ***Restoration of Rights and Remedies.***

If the Trustee or the Holder of any Note has instituted any Proceeding to enforce any right under this Indenture and the Proceeding has been discontinued or abandoned for any reason, or has been determined adversely to the Trustee or to the Holder, then, subject to any determination in the Proceeding, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Holder shall be restored to their former positions under this Indenture, and thereafter all rights of the Trustee and the Holder shall continue as though no Proceeding had been instituted.

Section 5.11. ***Rights and Remedies Cumulative.***

No right in this Indenture conferred on or reserved to the Trustee or to the Noteholders is intended to be exclusive of any other right, and every right shall, to the extent permitted by law, be cumulative and in addition to every other right given under this Indenture or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or otherwise. The assertion or employment of any right under this Indenture, or otherwise, shall not prevent the concurrent assertion or employment of any other appropriate right.

Section 5.12. ***Delay or Omission Not Waiver.***

No delay or omission of the Trustee or the Holder of any Note to exercise any right accruing upon any Event of Default shall impair the right or be a waiver of the Event of Default or an acquiescence in it or of a subsequent Event of Default. Every right given by this Article 5 or by law to the Trustee or to the Noteholders may be exercised from time to time, and as often as deemed expedient, by the Trustee or by the applicable Noteholders.

Section 5.13. ***Control by Majority of the Controlling Class.***

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, during the continuance of an Event of Default, a Majority of the Controlling Class may institute and direct the time, method and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee (including the exercise of any remedy specified in Section 5.4(a) or otherwise with respect to the Collateral), or exercising any right of the Trustee with respect to the Notes if:

(i) the direction does not conflict with any rule of law or with any express provision of this Indenture; and

(ii) the Trustee has been indemnified to its reasonable satisfaction (and the Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability or expense unless it has received an indemnity against the liability and expense).

(b) The Trustee may take any other action deemed proper by the Trustee that is not inconsistent with a direction under Section 5.13(a). Subject to Section 6.1, the Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability or expense (unless the Trustee has received an indemnity against the liabilities and expenses reasonably satisfactory to it) and during the continuance of an Event of Default that has not been cured, or waived, the Trustee shall, before receiving directions from a Majority of the Controlling Class, exercise the rights expressly vested in it by this Indenture and use the same degree of care and skill in their exercise with respect to the Event of Default as is required by Section 6.1(b).

(c) Any direction to the Trustee to undertake a Sale of the Collateral shall be in accordance with Section 5.4 or 5.5.

Section 5.14. ***Waiver of Past Defaults.***

Before a judgment or decree for payment of any money due has been obtained by the Trustee, as provided in this Article 5, a Majority of the Controlling Class may on behalf of the Holders of all the Notes, with respect to the Notes waive any past Default and its consequences, except a Default:

- (a) in the payment of the principal or Redemption Price of any Note or in the payment of interest (including Defaulted Interest, Deferred Interest, and any interest on Defaulted Interest or Deferred Interest) on the Notes;
- (b) with respect to a provision of this Indenture that under Section 8.2 cannot be modified or amended without the waiver or consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected by the modification or amendment;
- (c) in the payment of amounts due to the Servicer, the Trustee or the Hedge Counterparty, which may only be waived with the consent of the affected party; or
- (d) arising as a result of an Event of Default described in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h).

Upon any such waiver, the Default shall cease to exist, and any Event of Default arising from it shall be cured, for every purpose of this Indenture, but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other Default or impair any right consequent thereto. The Trustee shall promptly give written notice of any such waiver to the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Noteholder.

Section 5.15. ***Undertaking for Costs.***

All parties to this Indenture agree, and each Holder of any Note by its acceptance of its Note agrees, that in any suit for the enforcement of any right under this Indenture, or in any suit against the Trustee or the Servicer for any action taken or omitted by it as Trustee or for any action taken or omitted by the Servicer, as applicable, any court may in its discretion require the filing by any party litigant in the suit of an undertaking to pay the costs of the suit, and that the court may in its discretion assess reasonable costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, against any party litigant in the suit, having due regard to the merits and good faith of the claims or defenses made by the party litigant. This Section 5.15 shall not apply to any suit instituted by the Trustee or the Servicer, to any suit instituted by any Holder, or group of Holders, of Notes holding in the aggregate more than 10% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, or to any suit instituted by any Noteholder for the enforcement of the payment of the principal of or interest on any Note or any other amount payable under this Indenture after the applicable Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, after the applicable Redemption Date).

Section 5.16. ***Waiver of Stay or Extension Laws.***

To the extent that they may lawfully do so, the Co-Issuers covenant that they will not at any time insist on, or plead, or in any manner whatsoever claim or take the benefit or advantage of, any stay or extension law or any valuation, appraisal, redemption, or marshalling law or rights, in each case wherever enacted, now or at any time hereafter in force, that may affect the covenants, the performance of, or any remedies under this Indenture. To the extent that they may lawfully do so, the Co-Issuers expressly waive all benefit or advantage of any such law or rights, and covenant that they shall not delay or impede the execution of any power in this Indenture granted to the Trustee or the Noteholders but will permit the execution of every power as though the law had not been enacted or rights created.

Section 5.17. *Sale of Collateral.*

(a) The power to effect any sale (a "**Sale**") of any portion of the Collateral pursuant to Sections 5.4 and 5.5 shall not be exhausted by any one or more Sales as to any portion of the Collateral remaining unsold, but shall continue unimpaired until the entire Collateral is sold or all amounts secured by the Collateral have been paid. The Trustee may upon notice to the Noteholders and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), and shall, at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class with respect to Collateral, from time to time postpone any Sale by public announcement made at the time and place of the Sale. The Trustee waives its rights to any amount fixed by law as compensation for any Sale. The Trustee may deduct the reasonable expenses (including the reasonable fees and expenses of its agents and attorneys) incurred by it in connection with a Sale from its proceeds notwithstanding Section 6.8.

(b) The Trustee may bid for and acquire any portion of the Collateral in connection with a public Sale of the Collateral, and may pay all or part of the purchase price by crediting against amounts owing on the Notes or other amounts secured by the Collateral all or part of the net proceeds of the Sale after deducting the reasonable expenses incurred by the Trustee in connection with the Sale notwithstanding Section 6.8. The Notes need not be produced to complete any Sale, or for the net proceeds of the Sale to be credited against amounts owing on the Notes. The Trustee may hold, lease, operate, manage or otherwise deal with any property so acquired in any manner permitted by law in accordance with this Indenture.

(c) If any portion of the Collateral consists of securities issued without registration under the Securities Act ("**Unregistered Securities**"), the Trustee may seek an Opinion of Counsel, or, if no Opinion of Counsel can be obtained, seek a no action position from the Securities and Exchange Commission or any other relevant federal or state regulatory authorities, regarding the legality of a public or private Sale of the Unregistered Securities.

(d) The Trustee shall execute and deliver an appropriate instrument of transfer transferring its interest in any portion of the Collateral in connection with its Sale. In addition, the Trustee is irrevocably appointed the agent and attorney-in-fact of the Issuer to transfer its interest in any portion of the Collateral in connection with its Sale, and to take all action necessary to effect the Sale. No purchaser or transferee at a Sale shall be bound to ascertain the Trustee's authority, to inquire into the satisfaction of any conditions precedent, or see to the application of any monies.

Section 5.18. *Action on the Notes.*

The Trustee's right to seek and recover judgment on the Notes or under this Indenture shall not be affected by the seeking or obtaining of or application for any other relief under or with respect to this Indenture. Neither the lien of this Indenture nor any rights or remedies of the Trustee or the Noteholders shall be impaired by the recovery of any judgment by the Trustee against the Issuer or by the levy of any execution under the judgment on any portion of the Collateral or on any of the assets of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

## ARTICLE 6

### THE TRUSTEE

Section 6.1. *Certain Duties and Responsibilities.*

(a) Except during the continuance of an Event of Default known to the Trustee:



(i) the Trustee undertakes to perform the duties and only the duties specifically provided in this Indenture, and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Indenture against the Trustee; and

(ii) in the absence of bad faith on its part, the Trustee may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements and the correctness of the opinions expressed therein, on certificates or opinions furnished to the Trustee and conforming to the requirements of this Indenture; the Trustee shall examine any certificates or opinions that by any provision of this Indenture are specifically required to be furnished to the Trustee to determine whether or not they substantially conform on their face to the requirements of this Indenture and shall promptly notify the party delivering the same if the certificate or opinion does not conform. If a corrected form has not been delivered to the Trustee within 15 days after the notice from the Trustee, the Trustee shall so notify the Noteholders and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares).

(b) If the Trustee has actual knowledge that an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall, before the receipt of directions from a Majority of the Controlling Class, exercise the rights and powers vested in it by this Indenture, and use the same degree of care and skill in its exercise, as a prudent Person would use under the circumstances in the conduct of the Person's own affairs.

(c) No provision of this Indenture shall be construed to relieve the Trustee from liability for its own negligent action, its own negligent failure to act or its own willful misconduct, except that:

(i) this subsection shall not be construed to limit the effect of subsection (a) of this Section 6.1;

(ii) the Trustee shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by a Trust Officer, unless it is proven that the Trustee was negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts;

(iii) the Trustee shall not be liable with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in good faith in accordance with the direction of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or the Servicer in accordance with this Indenture or a Majority (or the other percentage required or permitted by this Indenture) of the Controlling Class (or other Class if required or permitted by this Indenture) relating to the time, method, and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred on the Trustee, under this Indenture; and

(iv) no provision of this Indenture shall require the Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any financial liability in the performance of any of its duties under this Indenture, or in the exercise of any of its rights contemplated under this Indenture, if it has reasonable grounds for believing that repayment of the funds or indemnity satisfactory to it against the risk or liability is not reasonably assured to it; provided that the reasonable costs of performing its ordinary services under this Indenture shall not be deemed a "financial liability" for purposes hereof.

(d) For all purposes under this Indenture, the Trustee shall not have notice or knowledge of any Event of Default described in Section 5.1(d) through 5.1(i) or any Default described in Section 5.1(e) through 5.1(i) unless a Trust Officer assigned to and working in the Corporate Trust Office has actual knowledge of it or unless written notice of any event that is in fact the an Event of Default or Default is received by the Trustee at the Corporate Trust Office, and the notice references the Notes generally, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Collateral or this Indenture. For purposes of determining the Trustee's responsibility and liability under this Indenture, whenever reference is made in this Indenture to an Event of Default or a Default, the reference shall be construed to refer only to an Event of Default or Default of which the Trustee has notice as described in this Section 6.1.

(e) Whether or not therein expressly so provided, every provision of this Indenture relating to the conduct or affecting the liability of or affording protection to the Trustee shall be subject to this Section 6.1 and Section 6.3.

Section 6.2. *Notice of Default.*

Promptly (and in no event later than five Business Days) after the occurrence of any Default known to the Trustee or after any declaration of acceleration has been made or delivered to the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.2, the Trustee shall transmit notice of all Defaults under this Indenture known to the Trustee, unless the Default has been cured or waived, and of the declaration by mail to the Servicer and the Co-Issuers, each Rating Agency, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and to all Noteholders, as their names and addresses appear on the Indenture Register, the Irish Stock Exchange, for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the guidelines of the exchange so require, and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit H certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee).

Section 6.3. *Certain Rights of Trustee.*

Except as otherwise provided in Section 6.1:

(a) the Trustee may rely and shall be protected in acting or refraining from acting on any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, note, or other paper or document (including but not limited to any reports prepared and delivered under Article 10) believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties;

(b) any request or direction of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer mentioned in this Indenture shall be sufficiently evidenced by an Issuer Request or Issuer Order;

(c) whenever in the administration of this Indenture the Trustee

(i) deems it desirable that a matter be proved or established before taking, suffering, or omitting any action under this Indenture, the Trustee may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely on an Officer's certificate (unless other evidence is specifically prescribed in this Indenture) or

(ii) is required to determine the value of, or any other matter with respect to, any Collateral or funds under this Indenture or the cash flows projected to be received therefrom, the Trustee may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely on reports of nationally recognized accountants, investment bankers or other persons qualified to provide the information required to make the determination, including nationally recognized dealers in securities of the type being valued and securities quotation services;

(d) as a condition to taking or omitting to take any action under this Indenture, the Trustee may consult with counsel and the advice of the counsel or any Opinion of Counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection with respect to any action taken or omitted by it under this Indenture in good faith and in reliance thereon;

(e) the Trustee need not exercise any of the rights or powers vested in it by this Indenture at the request or direction of any of the Noteholders pursuant to this Indenture, unless the Holders have offered to the Trustee security or indemnity satisfactory to it against the costs and liabilities that might reasonably be incurred by it in compliance with the request or direction;

(f) the Trustee need not make any investigation into the facts or matters stated in any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, note or other paper



or document, but the Trustee, in its discretion, may, and upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, subject to Section 6.3(e), shall, make any the further inquiry or investigation into the facts or matters that it deems appropriate or as it is directed, and the Trustee shall be entitled, on reasonable prior notice to the Co-Issuers and the Servicer, to examine the books and records relating to the Notes, the Collateral, personally or by agent or attorney, during the Co-Issuers' or the Servicer's normal business hours. The Trustee shall, and shall cause its agents to, hold in confidence all such information, except to the extent (i) disclosure may be required by law by any regulatory or administrative authority and (ii) that the Trustee, in its sole judgment, determines that disclosure is consistent with its obligations under this Indenture; provided, however, that the Trustee may disclose on a confidential basis any such information to its agents, attorneys and auditors in connection with the performance of its responsibilities hereunder;

(g) the Trustee may execute any of the trusts or powers under this Indenture or perform any duties under this Indenture either directly or by or through agents or attorneys, and the Trustee shall not be responsible for any misconduct or negligence on the part of any non-Affiliated agent, or non-Affiliated attorney, appointed with due care by it under this Indenture;

(h) the Trustee shall not be liable for any action it takes or omits to take in good faith that it reasonably believes to be authorized or within its rights or powers under this Indenture;

(i) nothing in this Indenture shall be construed to impose an obligation on the Trustee to recalculate, evaluate, or verify any report, certificate or information received from the Issuer or Servicer;

(j) the Trustee may request and receive (and rely on) instruction from the Issuer, the Servicer, or the accountants identified in the Accountants' Certificate (and in the absence of its receipt of timely instruction from them, may obtain from an Independent accountant at the expense of the Issuer) as to the application of GAAP to the extent any defined term in this Indenture, or any calculation required to be made or determined by the Trustee under this Indenture, is dependent on or defined by reference to United States generally accepted accounting principles ("**GAAP**"), in any instance;

(k) the permissive rights of the Trustee to take or refrain from taking any actions enumerated in this Indenture are not duties;

(l) the Trustee is not responsible for the accuracy of the books and records of, or for any acts or omissions of, the Depository, any Transfer Agent, Custodian, Securities Intermediary, Collateral Administrator, Clearstream, Euroclear, Calculation Agent or any Paying Agent (in each case, other than the Bank acting in that capacity);

(m) in purchasing or disposing of any asset permitted by this Indenture, the Trustee is authorized to deal with itself (in its individual capacity) or with any one or more of its Affiliates, whether it or the Affiliate is acting as a subagent of the Trustee or for any third Person or dealing as principal for its own account. If otherwise qualified, obligations of the Bank or any of its Affiliates shall qualify as Eligible Investments under this Indenture; and

(n) if the Bank is also acting in the capacity of Paying Agent, Transfer Agent, Custodian, Calculation Agent or Securities Intermediary under this Indenture, the rights protections, immunities, and indemnities afforded to the Trustee pursuant to this Article 6 shall also be afforded to the Bank acting in those capacities.

#### Section 6.4. ***Not Responsible for Recitals or Issuance of the Notes.***

The recitals contained in this Indenture and in the Notes, other than the Certificate of Authentication, shall be taken as the statements of the Applicable Issuers. The Trustee assumes no responsibility for their correctness. The Trustee makes no representation as to the validity or sufficiency of this Indenture (except as

may be made with respect to the validity of the Trustee's obligations under this Indenture), the Collateral or the Notes. The Trustee shall not be accountable for the use or application by the Co-Issuers of the Notes or their proceeds or any money paid to the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture.

**Section 6.5. *May Hold Notes.***

(a) The Trustee, any Paying Agent, Indenture Registrar or any other agent of the Co-Issuers, in its individual or any other capacity, may become the owner or pledgee of Notes and may otherwise deal with the Co-Issuers or any of their Affiliates with the same rights it would have if it were not Trustee, Paying Agent, Indenture Registrar or other agent.

**Section 6.6. *Acquisition of Class E Notes and Preference Shares.***

The Trustee, in its individual or any other capacity, agrees that after the initial distribution of the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares, neither the Trustee nor any of its affiliates (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) will acquire any Class E Notes or Preference Shares (including pursuant to a Maturity Extension, a Refinancing and the Amendment Buy-Out Option) unless such acquisition would not, as determined by the Trustee in reliance on representations made in the applicable transfer certificates with respect thereto, result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of any of the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such acquisition (determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA, this Indenture and the Preference Share Documents). Any Class E Notes or Preference Shares held as principal by the Trustee or any of its affiliates shall be disregarded and shall not be treated as outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% Limitation to the extent that such person has represented that it is not a Benefit Plan Investor.

**Section 6.7. *Money Held in Trust.***

Money held by the Trustee under this Indenture shall be held in trust to the extent required in this Indenture. The Trustee shall be under no liability for interest on any money received by it under this Indenture except as otherwise agreed on with the Issuer and except to the extent of income or other gain on assets that are deposits in or certificates of deposit of the Bank in its commercial capacity and income or other gain actually received by the Trustee on Eligible Investments. Under no circumstances shall the Trustee be responsible for any losses on assets purchased in accordance with an Issuer Order or a written order or request by the Servicer (provided that the foregoing shall not relieve the Bank of its obligations under any security or obligation issued by the Bank or any Affiliate thereof).

**Section 6.8. *Compensation and Reimbursement.***

(a) The Issuer agrees:

(i) to pay the Trustee on each Payment Date reasonable compensation for all services rendered by it under this Indenture in accordance with its letter agreement with the Trustee (which compensation shall not be limited by any provision of law in regard to the compensation of a trustee of an express trust);

(ii) except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture or in its letter agreement with the Trustee, to reimburse the Trustee in a timely manner upon its request for all reasonable expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or made by the Trustee in accordance with this Indenture (including securities transaction charges and the reasonable compensation and expenses and disbursements of its agents and legal counsel and of any accounting firm or investment banking firm employed by the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.4, 5.5, 10.5 or 10.7, except any such expense, disbursement or advance attributable to its negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith) but with

respect to securities transaction charges, only to the extent they have not been waived during a Due Period due to the Trustee's receipt of a payment from a financial institution with respect to certain Eligible Investments, as specified by the Servicer;

(iii) to indemnify the Trustee and its officers, directors, employees and agents for any loss, liability or expense (including reasonable attorney's fees and costs) incurred without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith on their part, arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of this trust, including the costs and expenses of defending themselves against any claim or liability in connection with the exercise or performance of any of their powers or duties under this Indenture; and

(iv) to pay the Trustee reasonable additional compensation together with its expenses (including reasonable counsel fees and costs) for any collection action taken pursuant to Section 6.14.

(b) The Trustee shall receive amounts pursuant to this Section 6.8 as provided in Sections 11.1(a)(i) and (ii) but only to the extent that funds are available for their payment. Subject to Section 6.10, the Trustee shall continue to serve as Trustee under this Indenture notwithstanding the fact that the Trustee has not received amounts due to it under this Indenture. No direction by the Noteholders shall affect the right of the Trustee to collect amounts owed to it under this Indenture. If on any date when a fee is payable to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture insufficient funds are available for its payment any portion of a fee not so paid shall be deferred and payable on the next date on which a fee is payable and sufficient funds are available for it.

(c) The Trustee agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy for the non-payment to the Trustee of any amounts provided by this Section 6.8 until at least one year and one day, or if longer the applicable preference period then in effect plus one day, after the payment in full of all Notes issued under this Indenture and the payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent of all amounts payable with respect to the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Nothing in this Section 6.8(c) shall prohibit or otherwise prevent the Trustee from filing proofs of claim in any bankruptcy, insolvency or similar proceeding.

#### Section 6.9. ***Corporate Trustee Required; Eligibility.***

There shall at all times be a Trustee under this Indenture that is an Independent "bank" (within the meaning of the Investment Company Act) organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America or of any state of the United States, authorized under those laws to exercise corporate trust powers, having a combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000, subject to supervision or examination by federal or state banking authority, having a rating of at least "Baa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) by Moody's and at least "BBB+" by S&P, and having an office within the United States. In addition, the Trustee shall not be "affiliated" (within the meaning of Rule 405 under the Securities Act) with either of the Co-Issuers or any person involved in the organization or operation of either of the Co-Issuers and shall not provide credit or credit enhancement to either of the Co-Issuers; provided that the requirements of the preceding sentence shall be met if (a) the Trustee is not "affiliated" (as defined in the preceding sentence) with the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Administrator or the Share Registrar, (b) neither the Trustee nor the Issuer has actual knowledge, or has received written notice, that the Trustee is "affiliated" (as defined in the preceding sentence) with any person involved with the organization or operation of either of the Co-Issuers, and (c) the Trustee has not provided and does not provide credit or credit enhancement to either of the Co-Issuers. For purposes of the preceding clause (b), (i) the "actual knowledge" of the Trustee shall mean (x) its knowledge of those persons who have been expressly identified in writing to it by either or both of the Co-Issuers, or the Servicer on their behalf or (y) any persons otherwise actually known to a Responsible Officer of the Trustee, in either case, to be a person involved with the organization or operation either of the Co-Issuers, without any duty of independent inquiry or investigation on the part of the Trustee, and (ii) unless and except to the extent it has been otherwise expressly notified in writing by the Issuer, or the Servicer on its behalf, the Trustee shall be entitled to presume that the Issuer has no knowledge of such an affiliation. If the Trustee publishes reports of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or to the requirements of its supervising or examining authority,

then for the purposes of this Section 6.9, the combined capital and surplus of the Trustee shall be its combined capital and surplus in its most recent published report of condition. If at any time the Trustee ceases to be eligible in accordance with this Section 6.9, it shall resign immediately in the manner and with the effect specified in Section 6.10.

**Section 6.10. *Resignation and Removal; Appointment of Successor.***

(a) No resignation or removal of the Trustee and no appointment of a successor Trustee pursuant to this Article 6 shall become effective until the acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee under Section 6.11. The indemnification in favor of the Trustee shall survive any resignation or removal of the Trustee.

(b) The Trustee may resign at any time by giving not less than 30 days' written notice to the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency. Upon receiving the notice of resignation, the Co-Issuers shall by Board Resolution (or, if an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class) promptly appoint a successor trustee satisfying the requirements of Section 6.9, by written instrument, in duplicate, executed by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer and an Authorized Officer of the Co-Issuer, one copy of which shall be delivered to the resigning Trustee and one copy to the successor Trustee, together with a copy to each Noteholder, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and the Servicer. If no successor Trustee has been appointed and an instrument of acceptance by a successor Trustee has not been delivered to the Trustee within 60 days after the giving of the notice of resignation, the resigning Trustee or any Noteholder, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee satisfying the requirements of Section 6.9.

(c) The Trustee may be removed (i) at any time by the Co-Issuers as directed by Board Resolution (or, if an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, by an Act of a Majority of the Controlling Class) or (ii) by order of a court of competent jurisdiction, delivered to the Trustee and to the Co-Issuers.

(d) If at any time:

(i) the Trustee ceases to be eligible under Section 6.9 and fails to resign after written request by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class; or

(ii) the Trustee becomes incapable of acting or is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent or a receiver or liquidator of the Trustee or of its property appointed or any public officer takes charge or control of the Trustee or of its property or affairs for the purpose of rehabilitation, conservation or liquidation,

then, in any such case (subject to Section 6.10(a)), (A) the Co-Issuers, by Issuer Order (as directed by Board Resolution), may, and at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall, remove the Trustee or (B) subject to Section 5.15, or any Holder may, on behalf of itself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(e) If the Trustee is removed or becomes incapable of acting, or if a vacancy occurs in the office of the Trustee for any reason (other than resignation), the Co-Issuers, by Issuer Order (as directed by Board Resolution) or at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, shall promptly appoint a successor Trustee. If the Co-Issuers fail to appoint a successor Trustee within 60 days after the removal or incapability or the occurrence of the vacancy, a successor Trustee may be appointed by a Majority of the Controlling Class by written instrument delivered to the Issuer and the retiring Trustee. The successor Trustee so appointed shall, upon its acceptance of its appointment, become the successor Trustee and supersede any successor

Trustee proposed by the Co-Issuers. If no successor Trustee has been so appointed by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class and accepted appointment pursuant to Section 6.11, subject to Section 5.15, then the Trustee to be replaced, or any Holder, may, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(f) The Co-Issuers shall give prompt notice of each resignation and each removal of the Trustee and each appointment of a successor Trustee by mailing written notice of the event by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the Servicer, to each Rating Agency, to the Noteholders as their names and addresses appear in the Indenture Register and to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares). Each notice shall include the name of the successor Trustee and the address of its Corporate Trust Office. If the Co-Issuers fail to mail the notice within 10 days after acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee, the successor Trustee shall cause the notice to be given at the expense of the Co-Issuers.

**Section 6.11. *Acceptance of Appointment by Successor.***

Every successor Trustee appointed under this Indenture shall execute, acknowledge, and deliver to the Co-Issuers and the retiring Trustee an instrument accepting its appointment. Upon delivery of the required instruments, the resignation or removal of the retiring Trustee shall become effective and the successor Trustee, without any further act, shall become vested with all the rights and obligations of the retiring Trustee; but, on request of the Co-Issuers or a Majority of any Class of Notes or the successor Trustee, the retiring Trustee shall, upon payment of any amounts then due to it, execute and deliver an instrument transferring to the successor Trustee all the rights and obligations of the retiring Trustee, and shall duly assign, transfer and deliver to the successor Trustee all property and money held by the retiring Trustee under this Indenture. Upon request of any successor Trustee, the Co-Issuers shall execute any instruments to more fully and certainly vest in and confirm to the successor Trustee all the rights and obligations of the Trustee under this Indenture.

No successor Trustee shall accept its appointment unless at the time of its acceptance the successor is qualified and eligible under Section 6.9 and either (a) each Rating Agency has been notified and the successor has long-term debt rated within the four highest rating categories by each Rating Agency, or (b) if not rated within the four highest categories by each Rating Agency, the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto.

**Section 6.12. *Merger, Conversion, Consolidation, or Succession to Business of Trustee.***

Any entity into which the Trustee may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any entity resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Trustee is a party, or any entity succeeding to all or substantially all of the corporate trust business of the Trustee, shall be the successor of the Trustee under this Indenture (and of the Bank under all of its other capacities under this Indenture, including as Custodian, Securities Intermediary, Indenture Registrar and Paying Agent) without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto. If any of the Notes have been authenticated, but not delivered, by the Trustee then in office, any successor by merger, conversion or consolidation to the authenticating Trustee may adopt the authentication and deliver the Notes so authenticated with the same effect as if the successor Trustee had itself authenticated the Notes.

**Section 6.13. *Co-Trustees.***

At any time, to meet the legal requirements of any jurisdiction in which any part of the Collateral may at the time be located, the Co-Issuers and the Trustee may appoint a co-trustee (subject to the approval of the Rating Agencies) to act jointly with the Trustee, with respect to all or any part of the Collateral, with the power to file proofs of claim and take any other actions pursuant to Section 5.6 in this Indenture and to make claims and enforce rights of action on behalf of the Noteholders, as the Holders themselves have the right to do, subject to the other provisions of this Section 6.13.



The Co-Issuers shall join with the Trustee in the execution, delivery and performance of all instruments and agreements necessary or proper to appoint a co-trustee. If the Co-Issuers do not join in the appointment within 15 days after they receive a request to do so, the Trustee may make the appointment.

Any instruments to more fully confirm a co-trustee's appointment shall, on request, be executed, acknowledged and delivered by the Co-Issuers. The Co-Issuers agree to pay (but only from and to the extent of the Collateral), to the extent funds are available therefor under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1), any reasonable fees and expenses in connection with the appointment.

Every co-trustee shall, to the extent permitted by law, but to that extent only, be appointed subject to the following terms:

- (a) the Notes shall be authenticated and delivered and all rights and obligations under this Indenture in respect of the custody of securities, cash and other personal property held by, or required to be deposited or pledged with, the Trustee under this Indenture, shall be exercised solely by the Trustee;
- (b) the rights and obligations conferred or imposed on the Trustee in respect of any property covered by the appointment of a co-trustee shall be conferred or imposed on and exercised or performed by the Trustee or by the Trustee and the co-trustee jointly as provided in the instrument appointing the co-trustee;
- (c) the Trustee at any time, by an instrument in writing executed by it, with the concurrence of the Co-Issuers evidenced by an Issuer Order, may accept the resignation of or remove any co-trustee appointed under this Section 6.13, and if an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall have the power to accept the resignation of, or remove, any co-trustee without the concurrence of the Co-Issuers. A successor to any co-trustee so resigned or removed may be appointed in the manner provided in this Section 6.13;
- (d) no co-trustee under this Indenture shall be personally liable because of any act or omission of the Trustee under this Indenture;
- (e) the Trustee shall not be liable because of any act or omission of a co-trustee; and
- (f) any Act of Noteholders delivered to the Trustee shall be deemed to have been delivered to each co-trustee.

**Section 6.14. *Certain Duties of Trustee Related to Delayed Payment of Proceeds.***

If in any month the Trustee has not received a payment with respect to any Pledged Obligation on its Due Date:

- (a) the Trustee shall promptly notify the Issuer and the Servicer in writing, and
- (b) unless the payment is received by the Trustee within three Business Days (or the end of the applicable grace period for the payment, if longer) after the notice, or unless the Issuer, in its absolute discretion (but only to the extent permitted by Section 10.2(a)), makes provision for the payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with Section 10.2(a),

the Trustee shall request the issuer of the Pledged Obligation, the trustee under the related Underlying Instrument, or paying agent designated by either of them to make the payment as soon as practicable after the request but in no event later than three Business Days after the date of the request. If the payment is not made within that time period, the Trustee, subject to clause (iv) of Section 6.1(c), shall take the action directed by the Servicer in writing. Any such action shall be without prejudice to any right to claim a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture. If the Issuer or the Servicer requests a release of a Pledged Obligation or delivers a Collateral Obligation in connection with any such action under the Servicing Agreement, the release or

substitution shall be subject to Section 10.6 and Article 12. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the Trustee shall deliver to the Issuer or its designee any payment with respect to any Pledged Obligation or any Collateral Obligation received after its Due Date to the extent the Issuer previously made provisions for the payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with this Section 6.14 and the payment shall not be part of the Collateral.

**Section 6.15. *Authenticating Agents.***

Upon the request of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee shall, and if the Trustee so chooses the Trustee may, appoint one or more Authenticating Agents with power to act on its behalf and subject to its direction in the authentication of the Notes in connection with issuance, transfers, and exchanges under Sections 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, and 8.5, as fully to all intents and purposes as though each Authenticating Agent had been expressly authorized by those Sections to authenticate the Notes. For all purposes of this Indenture, the authentication of Notes by an Authenticating Agent pursuant to this Section 6.15 shall be the authentication of the Notes "by the Trustee."

Any Authenticating Agent may at any time resign by giving written notice of resignation to the Trustee and the Issuer. The Trustee may at any time terminate the agency of any Authenticating Agent by giving written notice of termination to the Authenticating Agent and the Co-Issuers.

The Co-Issuers agree to pay to each Authenticating Agent from time to time reasonable compensation for its services, and reimbursement for its reasonable expenses relating to its services as an Administrative Expense; provided, however, that if the Trustee elects to appoint an Authenticating Agent without the approval or request of the Co-Issuers, then the Trustee shall pay such compensation and reimbursement. Sections 2.9, 6.4, and 6.5 shall be applicable to any Authenticating Agent.

**Section 6.16. *Fiduciary for Noteholders Only; Agent for Secured Parties.***

With respect to the security interest created under this Indenture, the delivery of any Pledged Obligation to the Trustee is to the Trustee as representative of the Noteholders and agent for the other Secured Parties. In furtherance of the foregoing, the possession by the Trustee of any Pledged Obligation and the endorsement to or registration in the name of the Trustee of any Pledged Obligation (including as entitlement holder of the Custodial Account) are all undertaken by the Trustee in its capacity as representative of the Noteholders and agent for the other Secured Parties.

**Section 6.17. *Representations and Warranties of the Bank.***

The Bank represents and warrants as follows for the benefit of the Noteholders:

(a) *Organization.* The Bank has been duly organized and is validly existing as a Massachusetts trust company and has the power to conduct its business and affairs as a trustee.

(b) *Authorization; Binding Obligations.* The Bank has the corporate power and authority to perform the duties and obligations of trustee under this Indenture. The Bank has taken all necessary corporate action to authorize the execution, delivery and performance of this Indenture, and all of the documents required to be executed by the Bank pursuant to this Indenture. Upon execution and delivery by the Bank, this Indenture will be the valid and legally binding obligation of the Bank enforceable in accordance with its terms.

(c) *Eligibility.* The Bank is eligible under Section 6.9 to serve as Trustee under this Indenture.

Section 6.18. ***Withholding Tax Forms.***

The Issuer hereby agrees to deliver or cause to be delivered, a United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-8BEN (or successor form thereto) or any other appropriate tax certificates to the relevant issuer of its Collateral Obligations and issuer of its Eligible Investments at the time such Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments are purchased by the Issuer and thereafter as required under the relevant law. In addition, the Issuer hereby agrees to deliver, and the Issuer shall be required to deliver, United States Internal Revenue Service Forms W-8BEN (or successor form thereto) and other appropriate United States tax forms as may be required by the Hedge Counterparty, to the Hedge Counterparty at the time the Hedge Agreement is entered into and thereafter prior to the expiration or obsolescence of such form, and shall take any other action appropriate to prevent withholding or backup withholding tax on the Hedge Agreements. The Issuer shall represent, to the Hedge Counterparty in the master agreement, confirmation or schedule to the Hedge Agreement, that the Issuer is a "non-U.S. branch" of a foreign person as that term is used in section 1.1441-4(a)(3)(ii) of the United States Treasury Regulations and a "foreign person" as that term is used in Section 1.6041-4(a)(4) of the United States Treasury Regulations. The Issuer will request that the Hedge Counterparty provide the Issuer a United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 or an appropriate United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-8, as applicable, together with any required attachments, at the time the Hedge Agreement is entered into and thereafter prior to the expiration or obsolescence of such form.

## ARTICLE 7

### COVENANTS

Section 7.1. ***Payment of Principal and Interest.***

The Applicable Issuers shall pay the principal of and interest on the Notes in accordance with the Notes and this Indenture.

The Issuer shall, subject to the Priority of Payments, reimburse the Co-Issuer for any amounts paid by the Co-Issuer pursuant to the Senior Notes or this Indenture. The Co-Issuer shall not reimburse the Issuer for any amounts paid by the Issuer pursuant to the Notes or this Indenture.

Amounts properly withheld under the Code or other applicable law by any Person from a payment to any Holder shall be considered as having been paid by the Applicable Issuers to the Holder for all purposes of this Indenture.

Section 7.2. ***Maintenance of Office or Agency.***

The Co-Issuers appoint the Trustee as a Paying Agent for the payment of principal of and interest on the Notes. The Co-Issuers appoint State Street Bank and Trust Company, 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code: EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116, telecopy no. (617) 937-0517, Attention: CDO Services Group – Greenbriar CLO, as the Co-Issuers' agent where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Notes or this Indenture may be served and where the Notes may be surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

The Co-Issuers may at any time and from time to time vary or terminate the appointment of any Paying Agent or appoint any additional agents for all of these purposes.

The Co-Issuers shall maintain in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, an office or agency where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Notes and this Indenture may be served, which office will initially be the office of CT Corporation System, 111 Eighth Avenue, 13th Floor, New York,



New York 10011, and an office or agency outside of the United States where the Notes may be presented and surrendered for payment (written notice of which shall be provided to the Trustee by the Co-Issuers).

No paying agent shall be appointed in a jurisdiction that subjects payments on the Notes to withholding tax.

So long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the guidelines of the exchange so require, the Co-Issuers shall maintain in Ireland a Paying Agent and an office or agency where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Senior Notes and this Indenture may be served and where the Senior Notes may be surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

The Co-Issuers appoint, for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, Custom House Administration & Corporate Services Ltd. (the "**Irish Paying Agent**") as Paying Agent in Ireland with respect to the Senior Notes, for the payment of principal, interest and other distributions on the Senior Notes and as the Co-Issuers' agent where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Senior Notes or this Indenture may be served. If the Irish Paying Agent is replaced at any time when any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, notice of the appointment of any replacement shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange as promptly as practicable after the appointment. The Co-Issuers shall give prompt written notice to the Trustee, each Rating Agency, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and the Holders of the Senior Notes of the appointment or termination of any such agent and of the location and any change in the location of any such office or agency.

If at any time the Co-Issuers fail to maintain any required office or agency in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, or outside the United States, or fail to furnish the Trustee with their addresses, notices and demands may be served on the Co-Issuers at their addresses as provided in Section 14.3

### Section 7.3. ***Money for Note Payments to be Held in Trust.***

All payments of amounts payable with respect to any Notes that are to be made from amounts withdrawn from the Payment Account shall be made on behalf of the Applicable Issuers by the Trustee or a Paying Agent with respect to payments on the Notes.

When the Applicable Issuers have a Paying Agent that is not also the Indenture Registrar, they shall furnish not later than the fifth calendar day after each Record Date a list in the form the Paying Agent reasonably requests, of the names and addresses of the Holders and of the certificate numbers of individual Notes held by each Holder.

Whenever the Applicable Issuers have a Paying Agent other than the Trustee, they shall, on or before the Business Day before each Payment Date or Redemption Date direct the Trustee to deposit on the Payment Date with the Paying Agent an aggregate sum sufficient to pay the amounts then becoming due (to the extent funds are then available for that purpose in the Payment Account), that sum to be held in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled to it and (unless the Paying Agent is the Trustee) the Co-Issuers shall promptly notify the Trustee of its action or failure so to act. Any monies deposited with a Paying Agent (other than the Trustee) in excess of an amount sufficient to pay the amounts then becoming due on the Notes with respect to which the deposit was made shall be paid over by the Paying Agent to the Trustee for application in accordance with Article 10.

Additional or successor Paying Agents shall be appointed by Issuer Order with written notice of the appointment to the Trustee. So long as Notes of any Class are rated by a Rating Agency any Paying Agent other than the Trustee must either have a long-term debt rating of "Aa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or higher by Moody's and "AA-" or higher by S&P or a short-term debt rating of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P or the Rating Condition with respect

to each Rating Agency must be satisfied with respect to its appointment. If a successor Paying Agent ceases to have a long-term debt rating of "Aa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or higher by Moody's and "AA-" or higher by S&P or a short-term debt rating of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) by Moody's and a short-term debt rating of "A-1+" by S&P, the Co-Issuers shall promptly remove the Paying Agent and appoint a successor Paying Agent. The Co-Issuers shall not appoint any Paying Agent that is not, at the time of the appointment, a depository institution or trust company subject to supervision and examination by federal or state or national banking authorities. The Co-Issuers shall cause each Paying Agent other than the Trustee to execute and deliver to the Trustee an instrument in which the Paying Agent agrees with the Trustee, subject to this Section 7.3, that the Paying Agent will:

- (i) allocate all sums received for payment to the Noteholders for which it acts as Paying Agent on each Payment Date and any Redemption Date among the Holders in the proportion specified in the applicable report to the extent permitted by applicable law;
- (ii) hold all sums held by it for the payment of amounts due with respect to the Notes in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled to them until they are paid or otherwise disposed of as provided in this Indenture;
- (iii) immediately resign as a Paying Agent and forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums held by it in trust for the payment of the Notes if at any time it ceases to meet the standards required to be met by a Paying Agent at the time of its appointment;
- (iv) immediately give the Trustee notice of any default by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer (or any other obligor on the Notes) in the making of any payment required to be made; and
- (v) during the continuance of any such default, upon the written request of the Trustee, forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums so held in trust by the Paying Agent.

To obtain the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture or for any other purpose, the Co-Issuers may at any time pay, or by Issuer Order direct any Paying Agent to pay, to the Trustee all sums held in trust by the Co-Issuers or the Paying Agent, and, upon the payment by any Paying Agent to the Trustee, the Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to the money paid.

Any money deposited with a Paying Agent and not previously returned that remains unclaimed for 20 Business Days shall be returned to the Trustee. Except as otherwise required by applicable law, any money deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for the payment of the principal of or interest on any Note and remaining unclaimed for two years after the principal or interest has become payable shall be paid to the Issuer. The Noteholder shall thereafter look only to the Issuer for payment of the amounts due to it as an unsecured general creditor and all liability of the Trustee or the Paying Agent with respect to that money (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Issuer) shall thereupon cease. The Trustee or the Paying Agent, before being required to release any payment, may, but shall not be required to, adopt and employ, at the expense of the Issuer any reasonable means of notification of the release of the payment, including mailing notice of the release to Holders whose Notes have been called but have not been surrendered for redemption or whose right to or interest in monies payable but not claimed is determinable from the records of any Paying Agent, at the last address of record of each Holder.

#### Section 7.4. *Existence of Co-Issuers.*

(a) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall, to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law, maintain in full force their existence and rights as companies incorporated or organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands and the State of Delaware, respectively, and shall obtain and preserve their qualification to do business as foreign corporations in each jurisdiction in which the qualifications are necessary to protect the

validity and enforceability of this Indenture, the Notes, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and any of the Collateral.

However, the Issuer may change its jurisdiction of incorporation from the Cayman Islands to any other jurisdiction reasonably selected by the Issuer so long as:

(A) the Issuer has received a legal opinion (on which the Trustee may rely) to the effect that the change is not disadvantageous in any material respect to the Holders, the Servicer or any Hedge Counterparty,

(B) written notice of the change has been given by the Issuer to the Trustee, the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer, any Hedge Counterparty and each Rating Agency, and

(C) on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> Business Day following its receipt of the notice the Trustee has not received written notice from a Majority of the Controlling Class objecting to the change.

The Issuer may take any action required by this Indenture within the United States notwithstanding any provision of this Indenture requiring the Issuer to take the action outside of the United States so long as before taking the action the Issuer receives a Tax Opinion of Counsel to the effect that it is not necessary to take the action outside of the United States or any political subdivision of the United States to prevent the Issuer from becoming subject to any United States federal, state, or local withholding or other taxes.

(b) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall ensure that all corporate or other formalities regarding their respective existences (including holding regular board of directors' and shareholders', or other similar, meetings to the extent required by applicable law) are followed. Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall take any action or conduct its affairs in a manner that is likely to result in its separate existence being ignored or in its assets and liabilities being substantively consolidated with any other Person in a bankruptcy, reorganization or other insolvency proceeding. Without limiting the foregoing,

(i) the Issuer shall not have any subsidiaries,

(ii) the Co-Issuer shall not have any subsidiaries,

(iii) the Issuer shall maintain at all times at least one director who is Independent of the Servicer, the Trustee and any of their respective Affiliates,

(iv) the Issuer shall not commingle its funds with the funds of any other Person, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture, and

(v) except to the extent contemplated in the Servicing Agreement, the Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the declaration of trust by the Share Trustee, the Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall not:

(A) engage in any transaction with any shareholder that would be a conflict of interest (the entry into the Administration Agreement with the Administrator shall not be deemed a conflict of interest), or

(B) pay dividends in violation of this Indenture, the resolutions of its board of directors and the Preference Share Documents.

Section 7.5. *Protection of Collateral.*

(a) The Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will procure any action within the Servicer's control that is reasonably necessary to maintain the perfection and priority of the security interest of the Trustee in the Collateral. The Issuer from time to time shall execute and deliver any supplements and amendments to this Indenture and shall execute and deliver any Financing Statements, continuation statements, instruments of further assurance, and other instruments and shall take any other action appropriate to secure the rights and remedies of the Secured Parties under this Indenture and to:

- (i) Grant more effectively all or any portion of the Collateral;
- (ii) maintain or preserve the lien (and its priority) of this Indenture or to carry out more effectively the purposes of this Indenture;
- (iii) perfect, publish notice of, or protect the validity of, any Grant made by this Indenture (including any actions appropriate as a result of changes in law);
- (iv) enforce any of the Pledged Obligations or other instruments or property included in the Collateral;
- (v) preserve and defend title to the Collateral and the rights of the Secured Parties in the Collateral against the claims of anyone;
- (vi) pay when due all taxes levied or assessed on any part of the Collateral and use commercially reasonable efforts to minimize taxes and any other costs arising in connection with its activities; and
- (vii) give, execute, deliver, file and/or record any financing statement, notice, instrument, document, agreement or other papers that may be necessary or desirable to create, preserve, perfect or validate the security interest granted pursuant to this Indenture or to enable the Trustee to exercise and enforce its rights hereunder with respect to such pledge and security interest, and hereby authorizes the Trustee to file a UCC financing statement listing 'all assets of the debtor' in the collateral description of such financing statement.

The Issuer designates the Servicer as its agent and attorney in fact to execute any Financing Statement, continuation statement, and all other instruments, and take all other actions, required pursuant to this Section 7.5.

The Issuer authorizes the filing without the Issuer's signature a financing statement that names the Issuer as "debtor" and State Street Bank and Trust Company as "secured party" (with or without indicating its capacity as Trustee hereunder) and that describes the Collateral as "all assets of the debtor, whether now owned or hereafter acquired and wherever located."

- (b) The Trustee shall not:
  - (i) except in accordance with Section 10.6(a), (b) or (c), remove any portion of the Collateral that consists of Cash or is evidenced by an instrument, certificate or other writing:
    - (A) from the jurisdiction in which it was held at the date the most recent Opinion of Counsel was delivered pursuant to Section 7.6 (or from the jurisdiction in which it was held as described in the Opinions of Counsel delivered at the Closing Date pursuant to Section 3.1(a)(iii) if no Opinion of Counsel has yet been delivered pursuant to Section 7.6), or

(B) from the possession of the Person who held it (other than the Bank) on such date, or

(ii) cause or permit ownership or the pledge of any portion of the Collateral that consists of book-entry securities to be recorded on the books of a Person (other than the Bank):

(A) located in a different jurisdiction from the jurisdiction in which the ownership or pledge was recorded at such date, or

(B) other than the Person on whose books the ownership or pledge was originally recorded, unless (in the case of clause (i) or (ii) of this Section 7.5(b)) the Trustee shall have first received an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the lien and security interest created by this Indenture with respect to the property and its priority will continue to be maintained after giving effect to such action or actions.

(c) Without at least 30 days' prior written notice to the Trustee and the Servicer, the Issuer shall not change its "location" (as defined in Section 9-307 of the UCC) or change its name from the name shown on the signature pages of this Indenture.

(d) The Issuer shall, subject to the Priority of Payments, enforce all of its material rights and remedies under the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, each Hedge Agreement and each Securities Lending Agreement.

(e) The Issuer shall pay, or cause to be paid, any taxes levied because any Pledged Obligations are owned by the Issuer.

(f) The Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will either exercise the "put" option that prevents a Collateral Obligation from being a Long-Dated Collateral Obligation on the last available date before the Stated Maturity of the Notes or sell the Collateral Obligation for Sale Proceeds at least equal to the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation, in either case by the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

#### Section 7.6. ***Opinions as to Collateral.***

On or before January 1 in each calendar year, commencing in 2009, the Issuer shall furnish to the Trustee and each of the Rating Agencies, an Opinion of Counsel stating that in the opinion of such counsel as of the date of such opinion under the District of Columbia Uniform Commercial Code, the UCC financing statement(s) filed in connection with the lien and security interests created by this Indenture shall remain effective and no additional financing statements, continuation statements or amendments with respect to such financing statement(s) shall be required to be filed in the District of Columbia from the date thereof through the next twelve months to maintain the perfection of the security interest of this Indenture under the District of Columbia Uniform Commercial Code.

#### Section 7.7. ***Performance of Obligations.***

(a) The Co-Issuers, each as to itself, shall not take any action, and shall use their reasonable commercial efforts not to permit any action to be taken by others, that would release any Person from any of the Person's covenants or obligations under any instrument included in the Collateral, except in the case of enforcement action taken with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this Indenture and actions by the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and in conformity with this Indenture or as otherwise required by this Indenture.

(b) The Applicable Issuers may, with the prior written consent of a Majority of each Class of Notes and a Majority of the Preference Shares (except in the case of the Servicing Agreement and the

Collateral Administration Agreement as initially executed), contract with other Persons (including the Servicer, the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator) for the performance of actions and obligations to be performed by the Applicable Issuers under this Indenture. Notwithstanding any such arrangement, the Applicable Issuers shall remain primarily liable for performance under this Indenture. The Applicable Issuers shall punctually perform, and use their reasonable commercial efforts to cause the Servicer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and any other Person to perform, all of their obligations in the Servicing Agreement, this Indenture, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement or any other agreement.

Section 7.8. *Negative Covenants.*

(a) The Issuer shall not and, with respect to clauses (ii), (iii), (iv), (vi) and (ix), the Co-Issuer shall not, in each case from and after the Closing Date:

(i) sell, transfer, assign, exchange, or otherwise dispose of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecate, or otherwise encumber (or permit or suffer the sale, transfer, assignment, exchange, or other disposition of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecation, or other encumbering of), any part of the Collateral, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and the Servicing Agreement;

(ii) claim any credit on, make any deduction from, or, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable laws, dispute the enforceability of payment of the principal or interest (or any other amount) payable in respect of the Notes (other than amounts withheld in accordance with the Code or any applicable laws of the Cayman Islands) or assert any claim against any present or future Noteholder because of the payment of any taxes levied or assessed on any part of the Collateral;

(iii) (A) incur or assume or guarantee any indebtedness, other than the Notes and this Indenture and the transactions contemplated by this Indenture (including a Refinancing in accordance with Section 9.7 and including, as contemplated hereby, entering into any Hedge Agreements and Securities Lending Agreements) or (B) issue any additional class of securities other than the Preference Shares issued on or before the Closing Date, except as otherwise permitted by the Preference Share Documents;

(iv) (A) permit the validity or effectiveness of this Indenture or any Grant under this Indenture to be impaired, or permit the lien of this Indenture to be amended, hypothecated, subordinated, terminated, or discharged or permit any Person to be released from any covenants or obligations with respect to this Indenture or the Notes, except as may be expressly permitted by this Indenture or by the Servicing Agreement, (B) permit any lien, charge, adverse claim, security interest, mortgage or other encumbrance (other than the lien of this Indenture) to be created on or extend to or otherwise arise on or burden any part of the Collateral, any interest in it, or its proceeds of or (C) take any action that would permit the lien of this Indenture not to be a valid first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral;

(v) amend the Servicing Agreement except pursuant to its terms and Section 15.1(h) or amend the Collateral Administration Agreement except pursuant to its terms unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the amendment or enter into any waiver in respect of any of the foregoing agreements without providing written notice to each Rating Agency and the Trustee (and, with respect to the Collateral Administration Agreement, without the consent of the Trustee);

(vi) to the extent permitted by applicable law, dissolve or liquidate in whole or in part, except as permitted under this Indenture;



(vii) pay any dividends or other distributions other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents;

(viii) conduct business under any name other than its own;

(ix) have any employees (other than directors and officers to the extent they are employees); or

(x) except for any Underlying Instrument and agreements involving the purchase or sale of Collateral Obligations having customary purchase or sale terms and documented with customary trading documentation (but not excepting any Synthetic Security or Hedge Agreement), enter into any agreement unless the agreement contains "non-petition" and "limited recourse" provisions and shall not amend such "non-petition" and "limited recourse" provisions without prior Rating Confirmation.

(b) Neither the Issuer nor the Trustee shall sell, transfer, exchange or otherwise dispose of Collateral, or enter into an agreement or commitment to do so, or enter into or engage in any business with respect to any part of the Collateral, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer, the Servicing Agreement.

(c) The Co-Issuer shall not invest any of its assets in "securities" as the term is defined in the Investment Company Act, and shall keep all of its assets in Cash.

(d) Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall use the proceeds of the Notes to buy or carry Margin Stock.

**Section 7.9. *Notice of Default; Statement as to Compliance.***

(a) The Co-Issuers shall notify the Trustee, the Servicer, the Rating Agencies and each Hedge Counterparty within 10 days of acquiring actual knowledge of Default.

(b) On or before December 15 in each calendar year, commencing in 2008, the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee (to be forwarded by the Trustee to the Servicer and each Noteholder making a written request therefor and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit H certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) and each Rating Agency) a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer that, to the best knowledge of the Issuer, no Default exists, and has not existed since the date of the last certificate or, if a Default does then exist or had existed, specifying the same and its nature and status, including actions undertaken to remedy it, and that the Issuer has complied with all of its obligations under this Indenture or, if that is not the case, specifying those obligations with which it has not complied.

**Section 7.10. *Co-Issuers May Consolidate, etc. Only on Certain Terms.***

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer (the "**Merging Entity**") shall consolidate or merge with or into any other Person or transfer or convey all or substantially all of its assets to any Person, unless permitted by Cayman Islands law (in the case of the Issuer) or United States and Delaware law (in the case of the Co-Issuer) and unless:

(a) the Merging Entity shall be the surviving corporation, or the Person (if other than the Merging Entity) formed by the consolidation or into which the Merging Entity is merged or to which all or substantially all of the assets of the Merging Entity are transferred (the "**Successor Entity**"),

(i) if the Merging Entity is the Issuer, is a company organized and existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands or another jurisdiction approved by a Majority of the Controlling Class

(except that no approval shall be required in connection with any such transaction undertaken solely to effect a change in the jurisdiction of incorporation pursuant to Section 7.4), and

(ii) in any case shall expressly assume, by an indenture supplemental to this Indenture, executed and delivered to the Trustee and each Noteholder, the due and punctual payment of all amounts on all Notes issued by the Merging Entity and the performance and observance of every covenant of this Indenture on its part to be performed or observed, all as provided in this Indenture;

(b) each Rating Agency shall have been notified of the consolidation, merger, transfer, or conveyance and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the transaction;

(c) if the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall have agreed with the Trustee,

(i) to observe the same legal requirements for the recognition of the formed or surviving corporation as a legal entity separate and apart from any of its Affiliates as are applicable to the Merging Entity with respect to its Affiliates,

(ii) not to consolidate or merge with or into any other Person or transfer or convey the Collateral or all or substantially all of its assets to any other Person except in accordance with this Section 7.10; and

(iii) in any case shall expressly assume by an indenture supplemental to this Indenture, executed and delivered to the Trustee, each Noteholder and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the due and punctual payment of all amounts on all the Notes issued by the Merging Entity and the performance and observance of every covenant of this Indenture on its part to be performed or observed, all as provided in this Indenture;

(d) if the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall have delivered to the Trustee and each Rating Agency an Officer's certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that it is duly organized, validly existing, and in good standing in the jurisdiction in which it is organized; that it has sufficient power and authority to assume the obligations in subsection (a) above and to execute and deliver an indenture supplemental to this Indenture for the purpose of assuming the obligations in subsection (a) above; that it has duly authorized the execution, delivery, and performance of an indenture supplemental to this Indenture for the purpose of assuming the obligations in subsection (a) above and that the supplemental indenture is its valid and legally binding obligation, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject only to bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium, and other laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally and to general principles of equity; if the Merging Entity is the Issuer, that, following the event that causes the Successor Entity to become the successor to the Issuer, (i) the Successor Entity has title, free of any lien, security interest, or charge, other than the lien and security interest of this Indenture, to the Collateral, and (ii) the lien of this Indenture continues to be effective in the Collateral; and in each case as to any other matters the Trustee or any Noteholder reasonably requires;

(e) after giving effect to the transaction, no Default or Event of Default shall be continuing;

(f) the Merging Entity shall have notified each Rating Agency of the consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance and shall have delivered to the Trustee, each Noteholder and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) an Officer's certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that the consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance and the supplemental indenture comply with this Article 7 and that all conditions precedent in this Article 7 relating to the transaction have been complied with and shall have obtained a Tax Opinion of Counsel that no adverse tax consequences will result therefrom to the Holders of the Securities;



(g) the Merging Entity shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel stating that after giving effect to the transaction, neither of the Co-Issuers (or, if applicable, the Successor Entity) will be required to register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act; and

(h) after giving effect to the transaction, the outstanding stock of the Merging Entity (or, if applicable, the Successor Entity) will not be beneficially owned within the meaning of the Investment Company Act by any U.S. Person.

**Section 7.11. *Successor Substituted.***

Upon any consolidation or merger, or transfer or conveyance of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, in accordance with Section 7.10 in which the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall succeed to, and be substituted for, and may exercise every right of, the Merging Entity under this Indenture with the same effect as if the Person had been named as the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, in this Indenture. Upon any such consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance, the Person named as the "Issuer" or the "Co-Issuer" in the first paragraph of this Indenture or any successor may be dissolved, wound up and liquidated at any time thereafter, and the Person thereafter shall be released from its liabilities as obligor and maker on all the Notes and from its obligations under this Indenture.

**Section 7.12. *No Other Business.***

(a) From and after the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not engage in any business or activity other than issuing and selling the Notes pursuant to this Indenture and the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents and acquiring, owning, holding, and pledging and selling Collateral Obligations and the other Collateral in connection therewith, and shall not act as agent, negotiator or structurer with respect to any Collateral, act as a participant in negotiating terms of a primary loan agreement, enter into a binding commitment to purchase any Collateral prior to the issuance thereof or engage in any transaction or activity not permitted by the restrictions set forth in Annex 1 to the Servicing Agreement or which the Issuer knows would cause it to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States within the meaning of the Code or subject the Issuer's income to taxation on a net basis in any jurisdiction, and the Co-Issuer shall not engage in any business or activity other than issuing and selling the Notes to be issued by it pursuant to this Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, other activities appropriate to accomplish the foregoing or incidental thereto or connected therewith.

(b) In furtherance and not in limitation of clause (a) of this Section 7.12, the Issuer shall comply with all of the provisions set forth in Annex 1 to the Servicing Agreement, unless, with respect to a particular transaction, it obtains written advice of McKee Nelson LLP or a Tax Opinion of Counsel that, under the relevant facts and circumstances with respect to such transaction, the Issuer's failure to comply with one or more of such provisions will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States within the meaning of the Code or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis. The provisions set forth in Annex 1 to the Servicing Agreement may be amended, eliminated or supplemented (without execution of a supplemental indenture) if the Issuer obtains written advice of McKee Nelson LLP or a Tax Opinion of Counsel that the Issuer's compliance with such amended provisions or supplemental provisions or the Issuer's failure to comply with such provisions proposed to be eliminated, as the case may be, will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States within the meaning of the Code or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis and, at the request of the Issuer, the Trustee is hereby authorized to enter into any amendment of Annex 1 to the Servicing Agreement under such circumstances; provided, however, that written notice of any such amendment, elimination or supplementation of or to the provisions of Annex 1 to the Servicing Agreement pursuant to this Section 7.12(b) shall be provided to each Rating Agency then rating any Outstanding Class of Notes within 90 days of any such amendment, elimination or supplementation. For the avoidance of doubt, in the event written advice of McKee Nelson LLP or a Tax Opinion of Counsel as described above has been obtained in accordance with the terms hereof, no consent of

any Noteholder or satisfaction of the Rating Condition shall be required in order to comply with this Section 7.12(b) in connection with the amendment, elimination or supplementation of any provision of Annex 1 to the Servicing Agreement contemplated by such written advice or opinion.

(c) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer may amend, or permit the amendment of, their Memorandum and Articles or the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the amendment (but not otherwise).

**Section 7.13. *Listing on Irish Stock Exchange.***

So long as any Senior Notes remain Outstanding, the Co-Issuers shall use all reasonable efforts to obtain and maintain the listing of the Senior Notes on the regulated market of the ISE; provided that the Co-Issuers will not be required to maintain a listing on a stock exchange in the European Union if compliance with requirements of the European Commission on a member state becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer.

**Section 7.14. *Annual Rating Review.***

So long as any Notes of any Class remain Outstanding, on or before December 1 in each year commencing in 2008, the Co-Issuers shall obtain and pay for an annual review or ongoing surveillance of the rating of each Outstanding Class of Notes from each Rating Agency, as applicable. The Co-Issuers shall promptly notify the Trustee and the Servicer in writing (and the Trustee shall promptly provide a copy of the notice to the Noteholders) and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) if at any time the rating of any Class of Notes has been, or is known will be, changed or withdrawn.

**Section 7.15. *Reporting.***

At any time when the Co-Issuers are not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act and are not exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act, upon the request of a Holder or Beneficial Owner of any Note, the Co-Issuers shall promptly furnish "Rule 144A Information" to the Holder or Beneficial Owner, to a prospective purchaser of a Note designated by the Holder or Beneficial Owner or to the Trustee for delivery to the Holder or Beneficial Owner or a prospective purchaser designated by the Holder or Beneficial Owner, as the case may be, to permit compliance by the Holder or Beneficial Owner with Rule 144A under the Securities Act in connection with the resale of the Note by the Holder or Beneficial Owner. "**Rule 144A Information**" is the information specified pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act.

**Section 7.16. *Calculation Agent.***

(a) The Issuer agrees that for so long as any Floating Rate Notes remain Outstanding an agent will always have been appointed (that does not control and is not controlled by or under common control with the Issuer or its Affiliates) to calculate LIBOR in respect of each Interest Period (the "**Calculation Agent**"). The Issuer has initially appointed the Trustee as Calculation Agent. The Issuer may remove the Calculation Agent at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Issuer or if the Calculation Agent fails to determine any of the information required to be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange, as described in subsection (b), in respect of any Interest Period, the Issuer or the Servicer (on its behalf) shall promptly appoint a replacement Calculation Agent. For so long as any Floating Rate Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the guidelines of the exchange so require, notice of the appointment of any replacement Calculation Agent shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange as promptly as practicable after the appointment. The Calculation Agent may not resign its duties without a successor having been duly appointed.

(b) As soon as possible after 11:00 A.M., London time, on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period, but in no event later than 11:00 A.M., London time, on the next Business Day, the Calculation Agent shall calculate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes for the next Interest Period. The Calculation Agent shall communicate those rates and amounts to the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, each Paying Agent, the Servicer, Euroclear, Clearstream, the Depository, and, so long as any of the Floating Rate Notes are listed thereon and the guidelines of the exchange so require, the Irish Stock Exchange. In the latter case, the information shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange as soon as possible after its determination. The Calculation Agent shall separately notify the Irish Stock Exchange of the information. The Calculation Agent shall also specify to the Co-Issuers the quotations on which the foregoing rates are based, and in any event the Calculation Agent shall notify the Co-Issuers before 7:00 P.M., London time, on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period that either:

- (i) it has determined or is in the process of determining the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes, or
- (ii) it has not determined and is not in the process of determining any such Note Interest Rate together with its reasons therefor.

The Calculation Agent's determination of the foregoing rates for any Interest Period shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding on all parties and the Holders and Beneficial Owners of the Preference Shares.

**Section 7.17. *Certain Tax Matters.***

(a) For United States federal income tax purposes, the Issuer shall treat the Preference Shares as equity and the Notes as debt. The Issuer and each Holder and beneficial owner of a Note, by its acquisition of that Note, agrees to treat those Notes as debt for United States federal income tax purposes, except (x) as otherwise required by applicable law, (y) to the extent a Holder makes a protective QEF election, or (z) to the extent that a Holder files certain United States tax information returns required of only certain equity owners with respect to various reporting requirements under the Code.

(b) The Issuer will not make an election to be treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and will take all necessary actions to maintain its status as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

(c) The Issuer and Co-Issuer shall file, or cause to be filed, any tax returns, including information tax returns, required by any governmental authority; provided, however, that the Issuer shall not file, or cause to be filed, any income or franchise tax return in the United States or any state thereof except with respect to a return required by a tax imposed under Section 881 of the Code unless it shall have obtained a Tax Opinion of Counsel prior to such filing that, under the laws of such jurisdiction, the Issuer is required to file such income or franchise tax return.

(d) Upon the Trustee's receipt of a written request of the Issuer's Independent accountants, a Noteholder, or written request of a Person certifying that it is an owner of a beneficial interest in a Note, for the information described in United States Treasury Regulations Section 1.1275-3(b)(1)(i) that is applicable to such Note, it shall notify the Issuer of such request and the Issuer will cause its Independent accountants to provide promptly to the Trustee and such requesting Holder or owner of a beneficial interest in such a Note all of such information. Any additional issuance of Notes shall be accomplished in a manner that will allow the Issuer to accurately provide the same information as the foregoing to the Noteholders of such Notes.

(e) In order to ensure the Holders' and Beneficial Owners' acquisition of the Notes pursuant to this Indenture are not treated as offered under conditions of confidentiality, the Holders and Beneficial Owners

of the Notes (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) are hereby permitted to disclose to any and all Persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions contemplated by this Indenture (including the ownership and disposition of the Notes). For this purpose, the tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction, and the tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction.

(f) If the Issuer is aware that it has purchased an interest in a "reportable transaction" within the meaning of Section 6011 of the Code, and a Noteholder requests information about any such transactions in which the Issuer is a purchaser, the Issuer shall provide such information it has reasonably available as soon as practicable after such request.

(g) The Issuer shall not conduct any business other than the business that the Issuer is permitted to conduct under this Indenture and the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

(h) The Issuer shall provide, upon the request by a Holder of Class E Notes (or any other Class of Notes that may be treated as equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes), such information for the purposes of allowing such Holder to make a protective "qualifying electing fund" election. The Issuer shall provide, upon request of a Holder of Class E Notes, any information that such Holder reasonably requests to assist such Holder with regard to any filing requirements the Holder may have as a result of the controlled foreign corporation rules under the Code. Upon written request by the Independent accountants, the Indenture Registrar shall provide to the Independent accountants that information contained in the Indenture Register requested by the Independent accountants to comply with this Section 7.17.

(i) The Issuer will treat each purchase of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments as a "purchase" for tax, accounting and reporting purposes.

(j) Each of the Issuers and the Trustee agrees that it does not intend for this Indenture to represent an agreement to enter into a partnership, a joint venture or any other business entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The Issuers and the Trustee shall not represent or otherwise hold themselves out to the United States Internal Revenue Service or other third parties as partners in a partnership or members of a joint venture or other business entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

#### Section 7.18. ***Securities Lending.***

(a) So long as no Event of Default is continuing and if after the completion of the transaction the limit in clause (28) of the definition of "Concentration Limitations" would be satisfied, the Servicer may cause Collateral Obligations that are not Defaulted Collateral Obligations to be lent for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) having long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or guarantors with ratings of at least "A1" (and not "A1" but on credit watch with negative implications) and "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A" or a short-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A-1" from S&P (each, a "***Securities Lending Counterparty***") pursuant to one or more agreements (each, a "***Securities Lending Agreement***"); provided that Collateral Obligations the Market Value of which cannot be determined under clause (i), (ii) or (iii) of that definition may not be lent pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement. Upon receipt of an Issuer Order, the Trustee shall release any lent Collateral Obligations to a Securities Lending Counterparty as directed by the Servicer. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser or Affiliates of the Servicer. The duration of any Securities Lending Agreement shall not exceed the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

(b) Each Securities Lending Agreement shall be on market terms as determined by the Servicer (except as may be required below) and shall:

- (i) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty return to the Issuer debt obligations that are identical (in terms of issue and class) to the lent Collateral Obligations;
- (ii) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty pay to the Issuer amounts equivalent to all interest and other payments that the owner of the lent Collateral Obligation is entitled to for the period during which the Collateral Obligation is lent and require that any such payments not be subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the Securities Lending Counterparty is required under the Securities Lending Agreement to make "gross-up" payments to the Issuer that cover the full amount of the withholding tax on an after-tax basis;
- (iii) require that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency shall be satisfied with respect to the execution of the Securities Lending Agreement;
- (iv) satisfy any other requirements of Section 1058 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated under it;
- (v) be governed by the laws of New York;
- (vi) permit the Issuer to assign its rights under the Securities Lending Agreement to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture;
- (vii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Collateral Obligation becomes a Credit Risk Obligation or is subject to redemption in accordance with its terms;
- (viii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty upon any redemption of the Notes in whole;
- (ix) require the Securities Lending Counterparty to post with the Trustee collateral consisting of cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the Securities Lending Agreement (the "***Securities Lending Collateral***") to secure its obligation to return the Collateral Obligations or in the alternative post the Securities Lending Collateral with a custodian for the benefit of the Issuer designated by the Securities Lending Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that custodian would qualify to be a successor trustee under Section 6.9;
- (x) provide that the Securities Lending Collateral shall be maintained at all times in an amount equal to at least 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value (determined daily and monitored by the Servicer) of the lent Collateral Obligations and if securities are delivered to the Trustee as security for the obligations of the Securities Lending Counterparty under the related Securities Lending Agreement, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will negotiate with the Securities Lending Counterparty a rate for the loan fee to be paid to the Issuer for lending the lent Collateral Obligations;
- (xi) the lent Collateral Obligations shall be marked-to-market on a daily basis by the Servicer on the basis of their Market Value;
- (xii) the Collateral will include the Issuer's rights under the related Securities Lending Agreement rather than the loaned Collateral Obligation;
- (xiii) provide for early termination within 10 days at the option of the Issuer and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Securities Lending Counterparty is no



longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty and the noncompliance is not cured as provided in this Indenture; and

(xiv) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Securities Lending Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those in this Indenture.

(c) If either Moody's or S&P downgrades a Securities Lending Counterparty such that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party are no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty, then the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, within 10 days of the downgrade, shall

(i) terminate its Securities Lending Agreements with the Securities Lending Counterparty unless a guarantor with the required ratings for the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements has been obtained; or

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations lent to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty so that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party, together with all other Securities Lending Agreements, are in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of Securities Lending Counterparties; or

(iii) take any other steps Moody's or S&P may require to cause the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party to be treated by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, as if the obligations were owed by a counterparty having a rating at least equivalent to the rating that was assigned by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty before its being downgraded.

(d) In connection with any such direction by the Servicer to enter into a Securities Lending Agreement, the Trustee may receive and rely on an Issuer Order to the effect that the Securities Lending Agreement, and its Securities Lending Counterparty, is each in compliance with the requirements of this Indenture (including the definition of "Securities Lending Counterparty"). The Issuer and the Trustee may enter into any Securities Lending Agreement (and any related account control agreement) at the instruction of the Servicer, and deliver and accept delivery and return of any Collateral Obligations pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement, or pursuant to instructions from the Servicer in connection with the Securities Lending Agreement. The Trustee may take any actions and exercise any rights and remedies under any Securities Lending Agreement that the Servicer instructs. The Trustee need not enter into any Securities Lending Agreement (or any related account control agreement) that would in its judgment, subject it to any liability, whether financial or otherwise, or cause it to incur or subject it to risk of any cost or disbursement for which it is not, in its judgment, adequately indemnified, or that would impose on it any obligations or administrative burdens that are unacceptable to it. The Servicer shall instruct the Trustee in writing with respect to the administration of any Securities Lending Agreement (including with respect to any default and the exercise of rights under it). The Trustee shall not have any responsibility for evaluating the sufficiency, validity or acceptability of any Securities Lending Agreement or for the qualifications or eligibility of any Securities Lending Counterparty. Nothing in this Indenture shall be construed to cause the Trustee to have any fiduciary duties to any Securities Lending Counterparty.

So long as any Collateral Obligation is on loan pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement,

(a) the Trustee shall have no liability for any failure or inability on its part to receive any information or take any action with respect to the Collateral Obligation because of its being on loan (including

any failure to take action with respect to a notice of redemption, consent solicitation, exchange or tender offer, or similar corporate action), and

(b) the loaned Collateral Obligations shall not be disqualified for return to the Trustee as a Collateral Obligation by any change in circumstance or status during the time while on loan (including any change that would cause the Collateral Obligation to be ineligible for purchase by the Issuer under this Indenture if applied to a proposed purchase of it in the open market at the time of its return from loan).

**Section 7.19. *Purchase of Collateral Obligations; Ramp-Up Completion Date.***

(a) The Issuer shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period or enter into commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period for purchase on or as soon as practicable thereafter (not to exceed 60 days thereafter), in each case, for inclusion in the Collateral so that each of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes is at least U.S.\$992,377,774.

(b) No Collateral Obligations may be purchased prior to the Ramp-Up Completion Date unless immediately following the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (as certified by the Servicer in writing), the remaining funds in the Collection Account, after giving effect to such purchase, are sufficient as of the date of determination to purchase Collateral Obligations for inclusion in the Collateral so that each of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes is at least U.S.\$ 992,377,774 (taking into account the Collateral Obligations already part of the Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date)).

(c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, or any other provision of this Indenture, if the Issuer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase a Collateral Obligation to be included in the Collateral, such commitment initially not to exceed 60 days, and at the time of the commitment the Collateral Obligation complied with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set forth in this Section 7.19, the Issuer may consummate the purchase of the Collateral Obligation notwithstanding that the Collateral Obligation fails to comply with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set out above on the date of settlement.

(d) The Issuer will use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase, or to enter into binding agreements to purchase, Collateral Obligations by the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that, together with the Collateral Obligations purchased on or before the Closing Date and then held by the Issuer, will satisfy, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date), the Collateral Quality Tests, the Concentration Limitations, the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 of this Indenture and the Overcollateralization Tests.

(e) No later than 10 Business Days after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer shall notify each of the Rating Agencies in writing of the occurrence of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (each, a "**Ramp-Up Notice**") and request in writing that each of S&P (with such request sent to [CDOEffectiveDatePortfolios@sandp.com](mailto:CDOEffectiveDatePortfolios@sandp.com)) and Moody's confirm in writing within 25 days of delivery of such Ramp-Up Notice that it has not reduced or withdrawn the Initial Ratings; provided, however, that the Issuer shall not be required to request a Rating Confirmation from Moody's if, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date Moody's has received an Accountants' Certificate confirming (i) the Issuer is in compliance with each of the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests and the Concentration Limitations and (ii) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator of the Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owns or has committed to purchase is at least equal to U.S.\$992,377,774. In connection with such request or, in the case of Moody's, in

lieu of such request, the Issuer shall provide a report to the Rating Agencies identifying the Collateral Obligations then included in the Collateral and the Issuer shall obtain and deliver to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies, together with the delivery of a report (and, with respect to S&P, an Excel Default Model Input File (if applicable)) substantially in the form of a Monthly Report as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, an Accountants' Certificate:

- (i) confirming the maturity date, rating, spread and recovery rate for each item of original Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date and the information provided by the Issuer with respect to every other asset included in the Collateral, by reference to such sources as shall be specified therein;
- (ii) confirming that as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date:
  - (1) each of the Coverage Tests are satisfied;
  - (2) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator of Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owned or committed to purchase as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date is at least equal to the Maximum Amount; and
  - (3) the Collateral Obligations comply with all of the requirements of the Collateral Quality Tests and the Concentration Limitations; and
- (iii) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing statements.

(f) Any failure by the Issuer to obtain a Ratings Confirmation pursuant to Section 7.19(e) above shall be a Rating Confirmation Failure (a "**Rating Confirmation Failure**"). If a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, the Notes will be redeemed pursuant to, and to the extent provided in, Section 9.1(a).

(g) On the Ramp-Up Completion Date, S&P shall provide seventeen (17) different S&P CDO Monitors to the Issuer, the Servicer, the Collateral Administrator and the Trustee, such S&P CDO Monitors corresponding to portfolios with weighted average spreads of 2.20%, 2.25%, 2.30%, 2.35%, 2.40%, 2.45%, 2.50%, 2.55%, 2.60%, 2.65%, 2.70%, 2.75%, 2.80%, 2.85%, 2.90%, 2.95% and 3.00%, respectively. After the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Servicer, by written notice to the Collateral Administrator, the Trustee and S&P, will elect which S&P CDO Monitor shall apply initially and, thereafter, on two Business Days written notice prior to the Measurement Date to the Collateral Administrator, Trustee and S&P, the Servicer will elect to have a different S&P CDO Monitor apply, such S&P CDO Monitor corresponding to a portfolio with a weighted average spread that is equal to or lower than the Weighted Average Spread of the Floating Rate Obligations in the Collateral at the time of such election; provided, that if the Weighted Average Spread of the Floating Rate Obligations in the Collateral at the time of such election is less than 2.20%, then the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will request S&P to provide a different S&P CDO Monitor which has a weighted average spread equal to or lower than the Weighted Average Spread of the Floating Rate Obligations in the Collateral. For the avoidance of doubt, the selection of an S&P CDO Monitor as described in this paragraph shall be separate and independent of any election of the Servicer with respect to the Ratings Matrix.

(h) On the Interim Targets Date, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall submit to Moody's (x) a statement showing compliance with the Interim Targets, or (y) if the Interim Targets are not satisfied, a plan for achieving compliance with such Interim Targets by the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

#### Section 7.20. **Secondary Risk Procedures.**

The Servicer shall notify S&P and request that S&P modify the S&P CDO Monitor accordingly if on any date (as disclosed in the most recent Monthly Report):



(a) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations participated from or entered into with the same Secondary Risk Counterparty exceeds the percentage of the Maximum Amount in the Secondary Risk Table opposite the long-term S&P credit rating of the Secondary Risk Counterparty under the caption "Individual Counterparty Limit," or

(b) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations participated from or entered into with Secondary Risk counterparties with the same long-term credit rating exceeds the percentage of the Maximum Amount in the Secondary Risk Table opposite that rating under the caption "Aggregate Counterparty Limit" (excluding up to 5% by Aggregate Principal Balance of Synthetic Securities with respect to Collateral Obligations the "Aggregate Counterparty Limit" of which is 20% to the extent that (x) such exposure is fully collateralized with respect to principal and (y) the related Synthetic Security counterparties are rated at least "A-1+" by S&P).

Section 7.21. ***Section 3(c)(7) Procedures.***

In addition to the notices required to be given under Section 10.6 hereof, the Issuer shall take the following actions to ensure compliance with the requirements of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act (provided that such procedures and disclosures may be revised by the Issuer to be consistent with generally accepted practice for compliance with the requirements of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act):

(a) ***Section 3(c)(7) Notice to Investors.*** The Issuer shall (i) request the Depository to cause, and cooperate with the Depository in causing, the Depository's security description and delivery order to include a "3(c)(7) marker" and the Depository's user manual to contain an accurate description of the restrictions on the holding and transfer of the Notes due to the Issuer's reliance on the exclusion to registration provided by Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act, (ii) request that the Depository send, and cooperate with the Depository in causing the Depository to send, to its Agent Members (x) the Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice substantially in the form of Exhibit G-2 in connection with the initial offering of the Notes and (y) the Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice substantially in the form of Exhibit G-1 as set forth in Section 10.6(b) and (iii) request that the Depository cause, and cooperate with the Depository in causing, the Depository's Reference Directory to include each Class of Notes (and the applicable CUSIP numbers for the Notes) in the listing of 3(c)(7) issues together with an attached description of the limitations as to the distribution, purchase, sale and holding of the Notes.

(b) ***CUSIP Numbers.*** The Issuer shall (a) request of S&P, and shall cooperate with S&P to ensure that all CUSIP numbers identifying the Notes shall have a "fixed field" attached thereto that contains "3c7" and "144A" indicators and (b) take steps to cause the Initial Purchaser and any market makers to require that all "confirms" of trades of the Notes contain CUSIP numbers with such "fixed field" identifiers.

(c) ***Bloomberg and other Third-Party Vendor Screens.*** The Issuer shall use all reasonable efforts to cause the Bloomberg screen or screens containing information about the Notes to include the following language: (a) the "Note Box" on the bottom of the "Security Display" page describing the Notes shall state: "Iss'd Under 144A/3(c)(7)," (b) the "Security Display" page shall have the flashing red indicator "See Other Available Information" and (c) the indicator shall link to the "Additional Security Information" page, which shall state that the securities are "being offered in reliance on the exemption from registration under Rule 144A of the Securities Act, to persons who are both (x) qualified institutional buyers (as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act) and (y) qualified purchasers (as defined under Section 3(c)(7) under the Investment Company Act)." The Issuer shall use all reasonable efforts to require that any other third-party vendor screens containing information about the Notes include substantially similar language to clauses (a) through (c) above.

## ARTICLE 8

### SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURES

#### Section 8.1. *Supplemental Indentures Without Consent of Holders.*

(a) Without the consent of the Holders of any Securities, when authorized by Board Resolutions, and subject to the requirement provided below in this Section 8.1 with respect to the ratings of any Class of Notes, the Co-Issuers and the Trustee may, if, with respect to any matters described in clauses (1) through (23) below, the interests of the Holders of the Securities (except, in the case of clause (12) below, any Holders of Notes subject to the applicable Refinancing) are not materially and adversely affected thereby as provided in this Section 8.1, execute one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, to:

(1) evidence the succession of another Person to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and the assumption by the successor Person of the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture and in the Securities;

(2) add to the covenants of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders or to surrender any right in this Indenture conferred on the Co-Issuers;

(3) convey, transfer, assign, mortgage or pledge any property to the Trustee, or add to the conditions, limitations, or restrictions on the authorized amount, terms, and purposes of the issue, authentication and delivery of the Notes;

(4) evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment under this Indenture by a successor Trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of this Indenture necessary to facilitate the administration of the trusts under this Indenture by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of Sections 6.10, 6.11, and 6.13;

(5) correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of this Indenture, or to better assure, convey, and confirm to the Trustee any property subject or required to be subject to the lien of this Indenture (including all actions appropriate as a result of changes in law) or to subject to the lien of this Indenture any additional property;

(6) cause any provision of this Indenture to conform to, or be consistent with, the statements made with respect to such provision in the Offering Memorandum;

(7) modify the restrictions on and procedures for resales and other transfers of the Notes to reflect any changes in applicable law (or its interpretation) or to enable the Co-Issuers to rely on any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities Act (including, without limitation, to add provisions for resales and transfers of the Class E Notes and/or Preference Shares under Regulation S) or the Investment Company Act or to remove restrictions on resale and transfer to the extent not required under this Indenture;

(8) with the consent of the Servicer, modify (A) the restrictions on the sales of Collateral Obligations in Section 12.1 or (B) the Eligibility Criteria in Section 12.2 (and the definitions related thereto);

(9) make appropriate changes for any Class of Senior Notes to be listed on an exchange other than the Irish Stock Exchange;

(10) otherwise to correct any inconsistency or cure any ambiguity or errors in this Indenture;

(11) accommodate the issuance of the Senior Notes in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC or otherwise;

(12) to accommodate a Refinancing effected pursuant to and in compliance with Section 9.7; *provided* that no Holders of Notes or Preference Shares are materially adversely affected thereby, other than Holders of Notes subject to such Refinancing (and provided that the mere occurrence of the Refinancing itself shall be deemed not to constitute such a material adverse effect);

(13) take any appropriate action to prevent the Issuer, the Holders of the Securities, or the Trustee from becoming subject to withholding or other taxes, fees, or assessments or to prevent the Issuer from being treated as being engaged in a U.S. trade or business or otherwise being subject to income tax on a net income basis, so long as the action will not cause the Holders of any Securities to be adversely affected to any material extent by any change to the timing, character, or source of the income from the Securities, as evidenced by a Tax Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion);

(14) authorize the appointment of any listing agent, Transfer Agent, Paying Agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes appropriate in connection with the listing of any Class of Senior Notes on the Irish Stock Exchange or any other stock exchange, and otherwise to amend this Indenture to incorporate any changes required or requested by any governmental authority, stock exchange authority, listing agent, Transfer Agent, Paying Agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes in connection with its appointment, so long as the supplemental indenture would not materially and adversely affect any Noteholder, as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Notes;

(15) to amend, modify, enter into or accommodate the execution of any contract relating to a Synthetic Security (including posting collateral under a Synthetic Security Agreement) if such particular action is not otherwise permitted under this Indenture;

(16) modify Section 3.3 to be consistent with applicable laws or Rating Agency requirements;

(17) evidence any waiver by any Rating Agency as to any requirement or condition, as applicable, of the Rating Agency set forth in this Indenture;

(18) facilitate the issuance of participation notes, combination notes, composite securities and other similar securities;

(19) facilitate hedging transactions;

(20) facilitate the ability of the Issuer to lend collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement;

(21) modify any provision to facilitate an A/B Exchange, including to effect any serial designation relating to the exchange;

(22) with the consent of the Servicer, enter into any additional agreements not expressly prohibited by this Indenture as well as any amendment, modification, or waiver if the Issuer determines that the amendment, modification, or waiver would not, upon or after becoming effective, materially and adversely affect the rights or interest of the Holders of any Class of Securities as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Servicer to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities;

(23) provide for the issuance of additional Preference Shares to the extent permitted by the Preference Share Documents and to extend to such additional Preference Shares the benefits applicable to the Preference Shares under this Indenture and the Preference Share Documents; or

(24) prevent the Issuer from becoming an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); provided that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer shall have received (A) a Rating Confirmation with respect to such supplemental indenture and (B) a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such supplemental indenture, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

(b) Without the consent of the Servicer, no supplemental indenture may be entered into that (x) affects the rights, powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer or (y) affects the amount or priority of any fees payable to the Servicer under this Indenture.

(c) The Trustee is authorized to join in the execution of any such supplemental indenture and to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations that may be in the agreements, but the Trustee shall not be obligated to enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties, liabilities or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise, except to the extent required by law. Unless notified in writing by a Majority of any Class of Notes or a Majority of the Preference Shares that Holders of the Class of the Notes or Holders of the Preference Shares would be materially and adversely affected, the Trustee shall be entitled to receive and may rely on a certificate of the Servicer or an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) as to whether the interests of any Holder of Securities would be materially and adversely affected by any such supplemental indenture.

(d) If any Outstanding Notes are rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee shall enter into a supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.1 only if either (1) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the supplemental indenture or (2) the Servicer and the Holders of 100% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes the ratings on which would be reduced or withdrawn consent to the supplemental indenture. Prior to the entry into any supplemental Indenture with respect to which a Rating Confirmation for one or more Classes of Notes is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Note informing them of such fact.

(e) At the cost of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee shall mail to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), each Rating Agency (for so long as any Notes are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency), the Collateral Administrator and each Hedge Counterparty a copy of any such proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee (or 60 calendar days before execution in the case of a supplemental

indenture for the purpose described in paragraph (8) of Section 8.1(a), which shall be identified as such in a certificate of the Servicer delivered to the Trustee before the date on which such notice is required to be given).

**Section 8.2. *Supplemental Indentures With Consent of Holders.***

(a) If the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to S&P, the Trustee and the Co-Issuers may execute one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture to add any provisions to, or change in any manner, or eliminate any of the provisions of, this Indenture or modify in any manner the rights of the Noteholders under this Indenture with the consent of:

- (1) the Servicer if the supplemental indenture would affect the rights, powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer or would affect the amount or priority of any fees payable to the Servicer under this Indenture;
- (2) a Majority of each Class of Notes adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of each such Class of Notes; and
- (3) a Majority of the Preference Shares adversely affected thereby.

Any proposed supplemental indenture that would also necessitate a change to the Memorandum and Articles of Association may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Memorandum and Articles of Association) has been passed to permit the Issuer's constitutional documents to be altered to conform them to the proposed change to this Indenture as certified to the Trustee by the Issuer.

(b) Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected thereby and the Holder of each Preference Share adversely affected thereby, no supplemental indenture shall:

- (i) change the Stated Maturity of the principal of or the due date of any installment of interest on any Note or of any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares (other than in the case of any Maturity Extension in connection with an extension of the Replacement Period as described in Section 2.4), reduce the principal amount or the rate of interest on any Note, or the Default Interest Rate or the Redemption Price with respect to any Note or Preference Share, or change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Share may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer, change the provisions of this Indenture relating to the application of proceeds of any Collateral to the payment of principal of or interest on Notes, or to payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, or change any place where, or the coin or currency in which, Notes or their principal or interest are paid or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after their Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the applicable Redemption Date);
- (ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class or Holders of Preference Shares whose consent is required for the authorization of any such supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of this Indenture or certain defaults under this Indenture or their consequences provided for in this Indenture;
- (iii) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on a parity with the lien of this Indenture with respect to any part of the Collateral or terminate the lien on any property at any time subject hereto or deprive the Holder of any Note of the security afforded by the lien of this Indenture;
- (iv) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class whose consent is required to request the Trustee to retain the Collateral or rescind the



Trustee's election to retain the Collateral, pursuant to Section 5.5 or to sell or liquidate the Collateral, pursuant to Section 5.4 or 5.5;

(v) modify any of the provisions of this Section 8.2(b), or to modify other provisions of this Indenture that expressly provide by their terms that they cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note and Preference Share affected thereby;

(vi) modify the definition of "Outstanding," "Controlling Class," or "Majority," or the Priority of Payments in Section 11.1(a) or Section 13.1; or

(vii) modify any of the provisions of this Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of Redemption Price or of interest or principal on any Note or any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the payment of dividends or other payments on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date or to affect the rights of the Holders of the Securities to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of the Notes or the Preference Shares contained in this Indenture.

(c) Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.2, the Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Collateral Administrator and each Rating Agency (for so long as any Notes are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency) a copy of such proposed supplemental indenture and shall request any required consent from the applicable Holders of Securities to be given within the Initial Consent Period. Any consent given to a proposed supplemental indenture by the Holder of any Securities, as applicable, shall be irrevocable and binding on all future Holders or beneficial owners of that Security, irrespective of the execution date of the supplemental indenture. If the Holders of less than the required percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the relevant Securities consent to a proposed supplemental indenture within the Initial Consent Period, on the first Business Day after the Initial Consent Period, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Servicer which Holders of Securities have consented to the proposed supplemental indenture and, which Holders (and, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the Trustee, which beneficial owners) have not consented to the proposed supplemental indenture. If it intends to exercise its Amendment Buy-Out Option pursuant to Section 9.6, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall so notify the Trustee in writing (which notice shall designate a date for the Amendment Buy-Out to occur no earlier than 10 Business Days after the date of such notice) no later than five Business Days after the Servicer is so notified by the Trustee and the Trustee shall promptly mail such notice to all Noteholders and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares). Any Non-Consenting Holder may give consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture until the 5<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the date of the Amendment Buy-Out designated by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and in such case shall cease to be a Non-Consenting Holder for purposes of the Amendment Buy-Out. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser exercises its Amendment Buy-Out Option and purchases the applicable Securities pursuant to Section 9.6 below, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, as Holder or beneficial owner of the applicable Securities, may consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture within five Business Days of the Amendment Buy-Out.

(d) It shall not be necessary for any Act of Noteholders under this Section 8.2 to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if the Act or consent approves its substance.

(e) The Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency a copy of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.2 promptly after its execution by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee. Any failure of the Trustee to mail a copy of any supplemental indenture as provided in this Indenture, or any defect in the mailing, shall not in any way affect the validity of the supplemental indenture.

Section 8.3. *Execution of Supplemental Indentures.*

In executing or accepting the additional trusts created by any supplemental indenture permitted by this Article 8 or the modifications thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture, the Trustee shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to Sections 6.1 and 6.3) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an Opinion of Counsel stating that the execution of the supplemental indenture is authorized or permitted by this Indenture and that all conditions precedent to the execution of such supplemental indenture have been satisfied. In the event that any supplemental indenture is consented to by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer (if such Servicer's consent is required hereunder) and 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes and the Preference Shares (if the consent of the Holders of the Preference Shares is required hereunder) and the Rating Condition is satisfied or is specifically waived by all consenting parties (and provided that no objection has been received from any Hedge Counterparty after delivery of such proposed supplemental indenture to such Hedge Counterparty at least 10 days prior to execution), all conditions precedent to the execution of such supplemental indenture shall be deemed satisfied, the execution of such supplemental indenture shall be authorized or permitted by this Indenture, and the Trustee shall execute and accept the additional trusts created by such supplemental indenture pursuant to this Article 8 or modification thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture without obtaining an Opinion of Counsel; provided that the Trustee may, but shall not be obligated to, enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise. The Servicer shall not be bound by any amendment or supplement to this Indenture that would affect the rights, powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer or would affect the amount or priority of any fees payable to the Servicer under this Indenture unless the Servicer consents to it in writing, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed. The Servicer shall follow any amendment or supplement to this Indenture by which it is bound of which it has received written notice from the time it receives a copy of the amendment from the Issuer or the Trustee.

Section 8.4. *Effect of Supplemental Indentures; Certain Required Consents.*

Upon the execution of any supplemental indenture under this Article 8, this Indenture shall be modified in accordance therewith, and the supplemental indenture shall form a part of this Indenture for all purposes; and every Holder of Notes theretofore and thereafter authenticated and delivered under this Indenture shall be bound thereby.

Without the approval of each Hedge Counterparty to a then existing Hedge Agreement (so long as the Hedge Counterparty is not in default under any Hedge Agreement to which it is party), no supplemental indenture will be effective, and the Co-Issuers will not consent to any supplemental indenture, that would have a material adverse effect on the Hedge Counterparty. For purposes of this paragraph, any supplemental indenture will be deemed not to have a material adverse effect on the Hedge Counterparty if it does not object within 10 days of delivery of such supplemental indenture by the Trustee.

Any supplemental indenture that would necessitate a change to the Memorandum and Articles of Association may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Memorandum and Articles of Association) has been passed to permit the Memorandum and Articles of Association to be altered to conform with such proposed amendment.

Section 8.5. *Reference in Notes to Supplemental Indentures.*

Notes authenticated and delivered after the execution of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Article 8 may, and if required by the Trustee shall, bear a notice in form approved by the Trustee as to any matter provided for in the supplemental indenture. If the Applicable Issuers shall so determine, new Notes, so modified as to conform in the opinion of the Trustee and the Co-Issuers to any such supplemental indenture, may be prepared and executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated and delivered by the Trustee in exchange for Outstanding Notes.

## ARTICLE 9

### REDEMPTION OF NOTES

#### Section 9.1. *Mandatory Redemption.*

(a) If either (a) a Coverage Test is not met on any Determination Date or (b) a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, principal payments on the Notes shall be made on the related Payment Date (without payment of any Redemption Price) in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Upon receipt of notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes, at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes, then the Servicer may direct and, upon such direction and in accordance with the instructions of the Servicer, the Trustee shall sell Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for the purpose in the Collection Account will be used to redeem the Notes (but only to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes) and to pay all administrative and other fees, expenses and obligations payable under the Priority of Payments. Any sale under this Section shall be conducted in such a manner that:

(i) after giving effect to the sale, each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied or, if any Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Overcollateralization Test is not reduced,

(ii) if the sale occurs on or after the second Payment Date, after giving effect to the sale each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied or, if any Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Interest Coverage Test is not reduced, and

(iii) after giving effect to the sale each Collateral Quality Test is satisfied or, if any Collateral Quality Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Collateral Quality Test is not reduced.

(b) The Preference Shares will be redeemed in whole in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents on any Payment Date on which a mandatory redemption of the Notes pursuant to Section 9.1(a) results in the payment in full of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes.

#### Section 9.2. *Optional Redemption.*

(a) Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the Notes shall be redeemed by the Applicable Issuers, in whole but not in part, on any Payment Date from Principal Proceeds and all other funds available for that purpose in the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account at the direction of the applicable Required Redemption Percentage, which direction must be given to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Servicer not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made, at the applicable Redemption Price (exclusive of installments of interest and principal maturing on or before that date, payment of which shall have been made or duly provided for, to the Noteholders on relevant Record Dates or as otherwise provided in this Indenture). All Notes must be simultaneously redeemed, and any termination payments pursuant to Hedge Agreements must be paid.



In the event that the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee and the Issuer receive notice directing an Optional Redemption from any one or more Holders of Preference Shares holding less than a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, within five Business Days of receipt of such notice, notify the Holders of the Preference Shares (i) of the receipt of such notice and (ii) that any Holder of Preference Shares may join in directing an optional redemption by notifying the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing within five Business Days after such Holder's receipt of the Preference Shares Paying Agent's notice.

Upon receipt of a notice of redemption pursuant to the first paragraph of this Section 9.2(a), the Servicer in its sole discretion will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Servicing Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer, direct the sale of the Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for such purpose in the Collection Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Payment Account, the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account will be at least sufficient to redeem all of the Notes and to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations. If, in the Servicer's reasonable discretion, the sale would not be sufficient to redeem the Notes, and to pay the fees, expenses and obligations, the Notes shall not be redeemed.

Upon any redemption pursuant to this Section 9.2(a), the Issuer shall, at least 30 days before the Redemption Date (unless the Trustee shall agree to a shorter notice period), notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency in writing of the Redemption Date, the applicable Record Date, the principal amount of Notes to be redeemed on the Redemption Date and the applicable Redemption Prices.

(b) On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, so long as all administrative fees and expenses and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture and all amounts owing under this Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged,

(i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings subject to the provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and Cayman Islands law; or

(ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, voting as a single Class or group, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such direction subject to the provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and Cayman Islands law.

Upon a distribution pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(i), the Servicer will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Servicing Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer (and subject to Section 9.2(b)(ii)), direct the sale of all remaining Collateral Obligations. Upon a distribution pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii), the Servicer will effect the sale of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares.

Section 9.3. *Optional Redemption Procedures.*

(a) Upon any redemption pursuant to Section 9.2, the Trustee shall give notice of a redemption by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days and not earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date, each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of DTC, Euroclear, and Clearstream, as applicable, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and (in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a)) to each Rating Agency. In addition, for so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the guidelines of the exchange so require, notice of redemption of Senior Notes pursuant to Section 9.2 shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

(b) All notices of redemption delivered pursuant to Section 9.3(a) shall state:

- (i) the applicable Redemption Date;
- (ii) the Redemption Price of the Notes to be redeemed (in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a));
- (iii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), that all of the Notes, are to be redeemed in full and that interest on the Notes to be redeemed shall cease to accrue on the Payment Date specified in the notice; and
- (iv) the places where the Notes to be redeemed in whole are to be surrendered for payment of the Redemption Price, which shall be the office or agency of the Co-Issuers to be maintained as provided in Section 7.2 and, so long as any Senior Notes to be redeemed are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, and the Irish Paying Agent.

Any such notice of redemption may be withdrawn by the Issuer up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Trustee and the Servicer only if:

- (A) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), the Servicer does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications (described in Section 9.3(c) and 12.1(f)), as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee,
- (B) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i), the Issuer receives the written direction of the Majority of the Preference Shares (or, in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes resulting from a Tax Event, the Affected Class) to withdraw the notice of redemption delivered by a percentage of the Preference Shares (or, in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes resulting from a Tax Event, the Affected Class) requesting redemption under Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i), as applicable, or
- (C) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii), the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer hereby agrees for the benefit of the directing Holders to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (B) or this clause (C)).

Notice of any withdrawal shall be sent, not later than the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date (assuming that the Trustee has received timely written notice from the Issuer as provided above), by the Trustee, to each Noteholder scheduled to be redeemed at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery (or, to the extent the address contained in the

Indenture Register is not sufficient for that purpose, by first class mail) and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares). If the Issuer so withdraws any notice of redemption or is otherwise unable to complete any redemption of the Notes, the Sale Proceeds received from the sale of any Collateral Obligations sold pursuant to Sections 9.2 and 12.1(f) may, during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period) at the Servicer's discretion, be used to purchase replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria.

Notice of redemption shall be given by the Co-Issuers or, upon an Issuer Order, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Co-Issuers. Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Notes selected for redemption or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Securities.

(c) The Notes may not be redeemed pursuant to Section 9.2(a) unless either of the following conditions is satisfied:

(i) At least 10 Business Days before the Redemption Date, the Servicer shall have furnished to the Trustee evidence (in form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee) that the Issuer has entered into a binding agreement (with a financial or other institution or entity whose short-term unsecured debt obligations (other than obligations whose rating is based on the credit of a Person other than the institution) have a credit rating of at least "A-1" from S&P and of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's (or to any other institution or entity if the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's is satisfied with respect to the other entity)) to sell to the financial or other institutions, not later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date in immediately available funds, all or part of the Collateral (directly or by participation or other arrangement) at a Purchase Price at least equal to an amount sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to any Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties, and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices; or

(ii) Before entering into any binding agreement to sell all or a portion of the Collateral and selling or terminating any Hedge Agreement, the Servicer shall have certified that, in its commercially reasonable judgment, the settlement dates of the sales will be scheduled to occur on or before the Business Day before the Redemption Date and that the expected proceeds from the sales are to be delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date, in immediately available funds, in an amount (calculated as applicable in the manner provided below) sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties, and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices. For purposes of this paragraph, the amount shall be calculated with respect to the classes of Collateral listed in the table below by multiplying the expected proceeds of sale of the Collateral by the indicated percentage in the table below. For the avoidance of doubt, no Hedge Agreement shall be sold or terminated unless the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date has passed and no notice of withdrawal has been issued.

		Number of Business Days Between Certification to the Trustee and Sale			
		<u>Same Day</u>	<u>1 to 2</u>	<u>3 to 5</u>	<u>6 to 15</u>
1	Cash or other Eligible Investments	100%	100%	100%	100%
2	Loans (other than 5 below)	100%	93%	92%	88%
3	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations (in each case, other than 4 below)	100%	89%	85%	75%
4	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations, in each case with a Moody's Rating of "B3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "B3"	100%	75%	65%	55%
5	Synthetic Securities	100%	65%	55%	35%

Any certification delivered pursuant to this Section 9.3(c) shall include (A) the prices of, and expected proceeds from, the sale of any Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, or Hedge Agreements and (B) all calculations required by this Section 9.3(c).

#### Section 9.4. ***Notes Payable on Redemption Date.***

(a) Notice of redemption pursuant to Section 9.3 having been given as aforesaid, the Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at the Redemption Price therein specified and from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Redemption Price and accrued interest) the Notes shall cease to bear interest on the Redemption Date. Upon final payment on a Note to be so redeemed, the Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the place specified in the notice of redemption on or before the Redemption Date unless the Co-Issuers and the Trustee receive the security or indemnity required by them to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the Note, and in the absence of notice to the Co-Issuers and the Trustee, that the applicable Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender. Payments of interest on Notes so to be redeemed whose Stated Maturity is on or before the Redemption Date shall be payable to the Noteholders, or one or more predecessor Notes, registered as such at the close of business on the relevant Record Date if the Record Date is a Business Day (or, if the Record Date is not a Business Day, the close of business on the Business Day before the Record Date) according to Section 2.8(e).

(b) If any Note called for redemption is not paid on its surrender for redemption, its principal shall bear interest from the Redemption Date at the Applicable Note Interest Rate for each successive Interest Period the Note remains Outstanding if the reason for the non-payment is not the fault of the Holder of the Note.

#### Section 9.5. ***Special Redemption.***

Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in whole or in part, at par, in accordance with the Priority of Payments if, at any time during the Replacement Period, the Servicer elects (subject to the Servicing Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional or replacement Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the application of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations (a "***Special Redemption***").

On the first Payment Date following the Due Period for which the notice is effective (a "**Special Redemption Date**"), the funds in the Collection Account or the Payment Account representing Principal Proceeds that, by operation of the preceding paragraph, are not used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (the "**Special Redemption Amount**") will be available to be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments under Section 11.1(a)(ii). Notice of payments pursuant to this Section 9.5 shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than three Business Days before the applicable Special Redemption Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of DTC. In addition, for so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the guidelines of the exchange so require, notice of redemption of Senior Notes pursuant to Section 9.2 shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

Section 9.6. ***Amendment Buy-Out.***

(a) In the case of any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Securities held by such Holders whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture (the "**Amendment Buy-Out Option**") for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; provided, however, that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser may not exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option during the Non-Call Period in connection with a proposed amendment to reduce the rate of interest on any Note or to change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Shares may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all such Securities of Non-Consenting Holders for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an "**Amendment Buy-Out**"). By its acceptance of its Securities hereunder, each Holder of Securities agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its applicable Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser; *provided* that if any Non-Consenting Holder holds Class II Preference Shares, such Non-Consenting Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares. Neither the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser nor any other Person shall have any liability to any Holder or beneficial owner of Securities as a result of an election by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser not to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option.

(b) All purchases made pursuant to an Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Securities set forth herein and in the Preference Share Documents, and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

Section 9.7. ***Redemption by Refinancing.***

(a) On any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period, any Class of the Notes may be redeemed in whole, but not in part from Refinancing Proceeds if the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, proposes to the Holders of the Preference Shares in writing (by notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares)) with a copy to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies, at least 30 days prior to the Payment Date for such redemption (such date, the "**Refinancing Date**"), to redeem such Notes in accordance with this Section 9.7 (a "**Notice of Refinancing**"), which notice shall, among other things, specify the Refinancing Date and the Class of Notes to be refinanced. Such redemption shall be effected by the Issuer obtaining a loan or an issuance of a replacement class of notes ("**Refinancing Notes**"), the terms of which loan or issuance will be negotiated by the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, from one or more financial institutions or purchasers (which may include the Servicer or its Affiliates) selected by the Servicer (a refinancing provided pursuant to such loan or issuance, a "**Refinancing**"), and provided that (i) such proposal is approved



by a Majority of the Preference Shares (voting as a single class) at least 15 days prior to the Refinancing Date and (ii) the Servicer completes such Refinancing and causes the Refinancing Proceeds to be deposited with the Trustee (in immediately available funds) no later than the close of the Business Day immediately preceding the Refinancing Date.

(b) The Issuer shall obtain a Refinancing only if the Servicer determines and certifies to the Trustee that:

(i) (A) a Rating Confirmation has been obtained from each Rating Agency for each Class of Notes not subject to Refinancing and (B) a rating letter has been obtained from each Rating Agency with respect to each class of Refinancing Notes that such Refinancing Notes shall be rated at least as high as the Initial Rating of the Class of Notes subject to the Refinancing;

(ii) the proceeds from the Refinancing will be at least sufficient to pay the Refinancing Price plus any Administrative Expenses of the Issuer related to the Refinancing;

(iii) the interest rate payable in respect of the obligations providing the Refinancing is less than the interest rate payable on the Notes being refinanced;

(iv) the principal amount of any obligations providing the Refinancing is no greater than the principal amount of the Notes being redeemed with the proceeds of such obligations;

(v) the stated maturity of the obligations providing the Refinancing is no earlier than the stated maturity of the Notes being refinanced;

(vi) the Refinancing Proceeds will be used (to the extent necessary) to redeem the applicable Notes;

(vii) the agreements relating to the Refinancing contain limited recourse, non-recourse and non-petition provisions, investor qualification provisions and transfer restrictions equivalent to those applicable to the Notes being redeemed, as set forth herein;

(viii) the obligations providing the Refinancing are subject to the Priority of Payments and do not rank higher in priority pursuant to the Priority of Payments than the Class of Notes being redeemed; and

(ix) the expenses in connection with the Refinancing have been paid or will be adequately provided for.

(c) The Trustee shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to Sections 6.1 and 6.3 hereof) shall be fully protected in relying upon an Opinion of Counsel stating that the Refinancing is permitted by this Indenture and that all conditions precedent thereto have been complied with.

(d) Any Refinancing Proceeds will not constitute Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds but will be applied directly on the related Refinancing Date pursuant to this Indenture to redeem the Notes being refinanced and pay Administrative Expenses in connection with the Refinancing without regard to the Priority of Payments; provided that to the extent that any Refinancing Proceeds exceed the amount necessary to redeem the Notes being refinanced (and any associated Administrative Expenses), such excess Refinancing Proceeds will be treated as Principal Proceeds.

(e) If notice of consent by a Majority of the Preference Shares to a Refinancing has been received by the Trustee from the Servicer pursuant to Section 9.7(a) no later than 15 days prior to the Refinancing Date, notice of a Refinancing shall be given by the Trustee by first class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not less than 10 days prior to the proposed Refinancing Date, to each Holder of Notes of the Class to be refinanced at the address in the Indenture Register (with a copy to the Servicer) and, so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent.

All Notices of Refinancing shall state:

(i) the proposed Refinancing Date, which shall be the applicable Redemption Date in respect of the Notes being redeemed;

(ii) the Refinancing Price, which shall be the applicable Redemption Price in respect of the Notes being redeemed;

(iii) that on such proposed Refinancing Date such Notes will be refinanced and redeemed in full, and that, provided that the Refinancing Proceeds have been deposited with the Trustee for any such payment in full, interest on such Notes being redeemed shall cease to accrue on such date; and

(iv) the place or places where such Notes are to be surrendered for payment of the Refinancing Price which, if not stated, shall be the office or agency of any paying agent as provided in Section 7.2.

provided that no such Notice of Refinancing shall be sent if either (a) the Servicer has withdrawn its consent to such Refinancing or (b) the consent of a Majority of the Holders of Preference Shares to such Refinancing has not been obtained.

(f) Notice of Refinancing shall be given by the Trustee at the expense of the Issuer. Failure to give a Notice of Refinancing, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Note selected for Refinancing shall not impair or affect the validity of the Refinancing or give rise to any claim based upon such failure or defect.

Any Notice of Refinancing may be withdrawn by the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, on or prior to the fourth Business Day prior to the scheduled Refinancing Date by written notice to the Trustee, the Paying Agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Rating Agencies and the Holders of the Preference Shares. Upon receipt of such notice of withdrawal, the Trustee shall send such notice to the Holders of Notes and, if applicable, the Irish Paying Agent.

(g) If a Notice of Refinancing pursuant to Section 9.7(a) has been given as provided herein and not withdrawn, the Notes to be refinanced shall on the Refinancing Date become due and payable at the Refinancing Price. Each Holder of such Notes shall present and surrender its Note at the place specified in the Notice of Refinancing on or prior to such Refinancing Date; provided that if there is delivered to the Issuer and the Trustee such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender such Note, then, in the absence of notice to the Issuer and the Trustee that the applicable Note has been acquired by a bona fide purchaser, such final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender.

(h) If any Class of Notes called for Refinancing shall not be so paid upon surrender thereof for Refinancing (or the delivery of the indemnity pursuant to the preceding paragraph) the principal shall, until paid, bear interest from the Refinancing Date at the applicable Interest Rate for each successive Payment Date with respect to which such Note remains Outstanding.

## ARTICLE 10

### ACCOUNTS, ACCOUNTINGS, AND RELEASES

#### Section 10.1. *Collection of Money.*

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, the Trustee may demand payment or delivery of, and shall receive and collect, directly and without intervention or assistance of any fiscal agent or other intermediary, all money and other property payable to or receivable by the Trustee pursuant to this

Indenture, including all payments due on the Pledged Obligations, in accordance with the terms of the Pledged Obligations. The Trustee shall segregate and hold all money and property received by it in trust for the Secured Parties and shall apply it as provided in this Indenture. Any Account may contain any number of sub-accounts for the convenience of the Trustee or as required by the Servicer for convenience in administering the Accounts, the Collateral.

Each Account shall be established and maintained (a) with a federal or state-chartered depository institution with a short-term rating of at least "A-1" by S&P (or a long-term rating of at least "A+" by S&P if such institution has no short-term rating) and if such institution's short-term rating falls below "A-1" by S&P (or its long-term rating falls below "A+" by S&P if such institution has no short-term rating), the assets held in such Account shall be transferred within 60 calendar days to another institution that has a short-term rating of at least "A-1" by S&P (or which has a long-term rating of at least "A+" by S&P if such institution has no short-term rating) or (b) in segregated trust accounts with the corporate trust department of a federal or state-chartered deposit institution subject to regulations regarding fiduciary funds on deposit similar to Title 12 of the Code of Federal Regulation Section 9.10(b).

#### Section 10.2. *Collection Account.*

(a) Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Collection Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, and into which the Trustee shall from time to time deposit, in addition to the deposits required pursuant to Section 10.7(e), immediately upon the Trustee's receipt thereof:

(i) any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account pursuant to Section 10.3(g),

(ii) all Principal Proceeds (unless (1) simultaneously used to purchase Collateral Obligations in accordance with Article 12, (2) deposited into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or (3) posted by the Issuer as cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security or in Eligible Investments) received by the Trustee,

(iii) all Interest Proceeds received by the Trustee (unless simultaneously used to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations in accordance with Article 12 or in Eligible Investments), and

(iv) all other funds received by the Trustee from the Collateral and not excluded above.

In addition to the items described above, the Issuer may, but under no circumstances shall be required to, deposit from time to time any monies, securities and other instruments in the Collection Account it deems, in its sole discretion, to be advisable (and may designate any amounts deposited pursuant to this sentence as Principal Proceeds or Interest Proceeds in its discretion). Any Principal Proceeds received during the Replacement Period, and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments received after the Replacement Period, which have not been used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations on the Business Day of receipt shall be deposited in the Collection Account and shall at the direction of the Servicer be applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the other requirements set forth herein or the purchase of Eligible Investments pending such application or used to enter into additional Hedge Agreements or used in connection with a Special Redemption. Principal Proceeds (other than Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations, Credit Risk Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments) received after the Replacement Period shall be deposited into the Collection Account and applied to the purchase of Eligible Investments. All monies deposited from time to time in the Collection Account pursuant to this Indenture shall be held by the



Trustee as part of the Collateral and shall be applied to the purposes provided in this Indenture. Amounts in the Collection Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(a).

(b) Within one Business Day after receipt of any distribution or other proceeds of the Collateral that are not Cash, the Trustee shall so notify the Issuer and the Servicer. Within five Business Days of receipt of the notice from the Trustee, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall sell the distribution or other proceeds for Cash in an arm's length transaction to a Person that is not the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer and deposit its proceeds in the Collection Account. The Issuer need not sell the distributions or other proceeds if it delivers an Issuer Order or an Officer's certificate to the Trustee and the Servicer certifying that the distributions or other proceeds are Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, or Workout Assets.

(c) During the Replacement Period (or, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall withdraw funds on deposit in the Collection Account representing Principal Proceeds (and, to the extent expressly provided in this Indenture, Interest Proceeds) and apply the funds to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), in each case in accordance with the requirements of Article 12 and the Issuer Order.

(d) At any time during or after the Replacement Period, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall, pay from amounts on deposit in the Collection Account on any Business Day during any Interest Period from Interest Proceeds only, any Administrative Expenses that require payment before the next Payment Date to the extent that the amount of the payments does not exceed the aggregate amount that may be paid on the next Payment Date under, and at the level of priority specified by, Section 11.1(a)(i)(1).

(e) The Trustee shall transfer to the Payment Account from the Collection Account for application pursuant to Section 11.1(a) or 11.2, as applicable, on or not later than the Business Day preceding each Payment Date, the amount set forth to be so transferred in the Valuation Report for the Payment Date.

(f) On the Determination Date related to the first Payment Date, and at the option of the Servicer, Principal Proceeds in the Collection Account in an amount not to exceed U.S.\$4,000,000 may be designated as Interest Proceeds for distribution on the first Payment Date in accordance with Section 11.1(a) to the extent such funds are not required to be applied to cure a Rating Confirmation Failure or applied to a Special Redemption.

### Section 10.3. ***Other Accounts.***

(a) ***Custodial Account.*** Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated trust account that shall be designated as the Custodial Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, and into which the Trustee shall deposit the Collateral Obligations and other Collateral not deposited elsewhere in accordance with this Indenture (other than Loans, Participations and general intangibles, which in the case of Loans and Participations, shall be held by the Trustee as provided in Section 3.2). All assets or securities at any time on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Custodial Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties. The only permitted withdrawals from the Custodial Account shall be in accordance with this Indenture. The Co-Issuers shall not have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Custodial Account other than in accordance with Section 3.2 and the Priority of Payments.

(b) *Revolving Reserve Account and Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish (i) a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account which shall be designated as the Revolving Reserve Account and (ii) a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, each of which shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. Upon the purchase of any Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, at the direction of the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit Principal Proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account, in the case of a Revolving Loan, and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, in the case of a Delayed Drawdown Loan, each equal to the unfunded Commitment Amount of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, respectively, and the Principal Proceeds so deposited shall be considered part of the Purchase Price of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan for purposes of Article 12. At the direction of the Servicer at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall withdraw funds from the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to fund extensions of credit pursuant to Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans, respectively. In addition, to the extent that the Issuer receives proceeds of a repayment in respect of a Revolving Loan (except to the extent of any concurrent Commitment Reduction) at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall deposit the proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account. Upon the sale of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan in whole or in part or the reduction in part or termination of the Issuer's commitment thereunder, an amount on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, as the case may be, specified by the Servicer as being equal to:

- (i) the unfunded amount of the commitment (in the case of a sale in whole or a termination of the commitment),
- (ii) the proportionate amount of the amount on deposit (in the case of a sale in part), or
- (iii) the amount by which the commitment is reduced (in the case of a reduction thereof in part),

shall be transferred by the Trustee to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds. Amounts on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(b). All interest and other income from amounts in the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.4(b) shall be considered Interest Proceeds in the Due Period in which they are so deposited.

(c) *Expense Reimbursement Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Expense Reimbursement Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On any Payment Date and on any date between Payment Dates, the Trustee will apply amounts, if any, in the Expense Reimbursement Account to the payment of expenses and fees that must be paid between Payment Dates or that are due on that Payment Date under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) and the Trustee shall on any Payment Date transfer to the Expense Reimbursement Account an amount equal to the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts due under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) to the Expense Reimbursement Account in accordance with Section 11.1(a)(i)(2). Funds in the Expense Reimbursement Account shall be used to purchase Eligible Investments in accordance with Section 10.4(a).

(d) *Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties (other than the Hedge Counterparty pledging the Collateral), over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. The Trustee shall deposit all collateral received from a Hedge Counterparty under any Hedge Agreement into the Hedge Counterparty

Collateral Account. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account shall be:

- (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer under a Hedge Agreement if the Hedge Agreement becomes subject to early termination, or
- (ii) to return collateral to the relevant Hedge Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Hedge Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(a) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(e) *Synthetic Security Collateral Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal, and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Synthetic Security and delivers a copy of it to the Trustee, the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the Synthetic Security Collateral Account with respect to the Synthetic Security.

All Synthetic Security Collateral posted by any Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Synthetic Security shall be immediately deposited into the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Synthetic Security. On each day on which amounts are payable to the Issuer out of Synthetic Security Collateral, the Issuer by Issuer Order shall direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, withdraw amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in an amount sufficient to make the payment as provided in the Issuer Order (including any total or partial release of Synthetic Security Collateral). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be (i) for application to the obligations of the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty under a Synthetic Security Agreement or (ii) to return Synthetic Security Collateral to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty at the termination of the relevant Synthetic Security Agreement or as otherwise required by the Synthetic Security Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(b) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(f) *Securities Lending Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Securities Lending Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal, and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Securities Lending Agreement and delivers a copy of it to the Trustee, the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the Securities Lending Account with respect to the Securities Lending Agreement. All Securities Lending Collateral posted by any Securities Lending Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Securities Lending Agreement shall be immediately deposited into the Securities Lending Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Securities Lending Agreement. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Securities Lending Account shall be:

- (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty to the Issuer under a Securities Lending Agreement if the Securities Lending Agreement becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the related Securities Lending Agreement upon any "event of default" under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement, including liquidating the related Securities Lending Collateral, or

(ii) to return the Securities Lending Collateral to the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Securities Lending Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(c). To the extent provided in a Securities Lending Agreement, earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be payable by the Issuer to the related Securities Lending Counterparty.

Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the loaned security or asset that relates to the Securities Lending Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer.

(g) *Closing Date Expense Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Closing Date Expense Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On the Closing Date, the Trustee, at the direction of the Issuer, shall deposit into the Closing Date Expense Account approximately U.S.\$2,050,000 from the gross proceeds of the Offering. At any time before the Payment Date in November 2008, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall, pay from amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account any applicable fees and expenses of the Offering. On the Payment Date in November 2008 (or, at the discretion of the Servicer, on the Payment Date in August 2008), at the direction of the Servicer in its sole discretion, the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account to the Collection Account as Interest Proceeds (to the extent such funds are not required to be applied to cure a Rating Confirmation Failure) or Principal Proceeds and close the Closing Date Expense Account.

Amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(a) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(h) *Payment Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Payment Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Payment Account shall be to pay amounts due and payable on the Notes in accordance with their terms and the provisions of this Indenture and to pay Administrative Expenses and other amounts specified in this Indenture, each in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Co-Issuers shall not have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Payment Account other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

(i) *Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of Holders of the Class II Preference Shares, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On each Payment Date, to the extent of available funds in accordance with the Priority of Payments (but subject to Section 13.1), the Trustee shall deposit into the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account amounts equal to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments. The Servicer has agreed to waive amounts, which would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as Servicing Fees, from the Closing Date to February 3, 2008 and an amount equal to such waived amounts will be distributed by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. With respect to any Payment Date after February 3, 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion (or all) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event, an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, subject to the laws of the



Cayman Islands, for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments; provided that with respect to the Payment Date in August 2008 such Class II Preference Share Special Payments will, at a minimum, include amounts that would otherwise constitute a portion (representing the Class II Preference Share Percentage) of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Closing Date to February 3, 2008. For purposes of any calculation under this Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

(j) In addition to any deposit, withdrawal, transfer or other application of funds with respect to any Account set forth in this Section 10.3 or in Section 10.2, any deposit, withdrawal, transfer or other application of funds with respect to any Account authorized elsewhere in this Indenture is hereby authorized pursuant to this Section 10.3.

(k) In order to comply with its obligations under the USA PATRIOT Act of 2001, if any, the Trustee shall be entitled to request and verify, and the Noteholders, beneficial owners, the Co-Issuers and other parties related to this Indenture shall be obligated to provide to the Trustee all the necessary information required by the USA PATRIOT Act of 2001.

**Section 10.4. *Application of Funds in Accounts; Reports by Trustee.***

(a) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall at all times before an Event of Default occurs, direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, use all funds on deposit in the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Closing Date Expense Account as so directed to purchase Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. All applications on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any Eligible Investments. Before an Event of Default occurs, if the Issuer has not given directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Servicer within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account or the Closing Date Expense Account. If the Trustee does not receive written instructions from the Servicer within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall apply the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (c) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. After an Event of Default occurs, if the Issuer does not give directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall apply the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (c) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing not later than the earlier of (i) 30 days after the date of the application or (ii) the Business Day before the next Payment Date. All interest and other income from such Eligible Investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from such Eligible Investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from such Eligible Investments shall be charged to the Collection Account. Subject to Section 6.7, the Trustee shall not in any way be held liable for the selection of Eligible Investments or because of any insufficiency of the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Date Expense Account or any other account that results from any loss relating to any such Eligible Investment.

(b) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall at all times direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, apply all funds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, and the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities not later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase. All applications on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any Eligible Investments. If before an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Servicer within three Business

Days after transfer of any funds to the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account. If the Trustee does not thereupon receive written instructions from the Servicer within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall apply the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that are overnight funds. If after an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall apply the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that are overnight funds. All interest and other income from such Eligible Investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from such Eligible Investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from such Eligible Investments shall be charged to the Collection Account.

(c) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall at all times direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, apply all funds on deposit in the Securities Lending Account in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. All applications on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any Eligible Investments. The interest on the Eligible Investments shall be allocated between the Issuer and the Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the related Securities Lending Agreement. If before an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Servicer within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Securities Lending Account. If the Trustee does not thereupon receive written instructions from the Servicer within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall apply the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that mature no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. If after an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall apply the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. All interest and other income from such Eligible Investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from such Eligible Investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from such Eligible Investments shall be charged to the Collection Account.

(d) The Trustee agrees to give the Issuer notice as soon as reasonably practicable if a Trust Officer obtains actual knowledge that any Account or any funds on deposit in any Account, or otherwise to the credit of an Account, shall become subject to any writ, order, judgment, warrant of attachment, execution or similar process. All Accounts shall remain at all times with the Custodian or a financial institution having a long-term debt rating of at least "Baa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) by Moody's and having combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000 that has entered into one or more securities account control agreements in accordance with Article 8 of the UCC; provided, however, that (i) with respect to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Synthetic Security Counterparty shall be a party to such control agreement and shall consent to the Trustee's control of such Synthetic Security Collateral Account, (ii) with respect to the Securities Lending Account, the Securities Lending Counterparty shall be a party to such control agreement and shall consent to the Trustee's control of such Securities Lending Account and (iii) with respect to each Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the related Hedge Counterparty shall be a party to such control agreement and shall consent to the Trustee's control of such Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.

(e) The Trustee shall supply, in a timely fashion, to the Co-Issuers and the Servicer any information regularly maintained by the Trustee that the Co-Issuers or the Servicer may from time to time request with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the Accounts and the Collateral and provide any other requested information reasonably available to the Trustee because of its acting as Trustee under this Indenture and required to be provided by Section 10.6, to permit the Servicer to perform its obligations under the

Servicing Agreement. The Trustee shall promptly forward to the Servicer copies of notices and other writings received by it from the issuer of any Collateral Obligation or from any Clearing Agency with respect to any Collateral Obligation which notices or writings advise the holders of the security of any rights that the holders might have with respect to the Collateral Obligation (including requests to vote with respect to amendments or waivers and notices of prepayments and redemptions) as well as all periodic financial reports received from the issuer and Clearing Agencies with respect to the issuer.

(f) To the extent monies deposited in any Account exceed amounts insured by the Bank Insurance Fund or Savings Association Insurance Fund administered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any agencies succeeding to its insurance functions, and are not fully collateralized by direct obligations of the United States of America, the excess shall be used to purchase Eligible Investments as described above.

Section 10.5. ***Synthetic Security Counterparty Account.***

(a) To the extent that any Synthetic Security requires the Issuer to secure its obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty or to the extent that any Synthetic Security has an unfunded amount payable by the Issuer that does not by its terms require collateral, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee and the Trustee shall establish a segregated non-interest bearing trust account for the Synthetic Security which shall be held in trust for the benefit of the related Synthetic Security Counterparty and over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security as directed by the Servicer (a "***Synthetic Security Counterparty Account***"). In the alternative, a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account may be established with a trustee designated by the Synthetic Security Counterparty if that trustee would qualify to be a successor trustee under Section 6.9 and the account satisfies the other requirements of this Section.

As directed in writing by the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit (or deliver for deposit) into each Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, from funds or Eligible Investments on deposit in the Collection Account, all amounts or securities that are required to secure the obligations of the Issuer in accordance with the related Synthetic Security and, without duplication, an amount equal to the unfunded amount of a Synthetic Security, including the entire notional amount of any Synthetic Security in the form of a credit default swap or other similar transaction, in each case as directed by the Servicer. The Servicer shall direct any such deposit only during the Replacement Period and only to the extent that monies are available for the purchase of Collateral Obligations pursuant to this Indenture. Any income received on amounts in the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall, after application in accordance with the relevant Synthetic Security, be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Interest Proceeds.

(b) As directed by the Servicer in writing and in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and this Indenture, amounts on deposit in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in Synthetic Security Collateral.

(c) In connection with the occurrence of a credit event or an event of default or a termination event (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security) under the related Synthetic Security, amounts in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be withdrawn by the Trustee (or the Trustee shall request their withdrawal) and applied toward the payment of any amounts payable by the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the Synthetic Security, as directed by the Servicer in writing; provided that any Defaulted Synthetic Security Termination Payments shall be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Any excess amounts held in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, or held directly by a Synthetic Security Counterparty, after payment of all amounts owing from the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the related Synthetic Security shall be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Principal Proceeds.

(d) Amounts on deposit in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the Synthetic Security that relates to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer (with the notional amount as the Principal Balance unless a default exists under the applicable Synthetic Security).

Section 10.6. *Accountings.*

(a) *Monthly.* Commencing the earlier of (a) the first full month after the Ramp-Up Completion Date and (b) the month ending March 2008, (i) in the case of a month in which there is no Payment Date, not later than the eighth Business Day after the last calendar day of such month and (ii) in the case of a month in which there is a Payment Date, on such Payment Date, the Issuer shall cause to be compiled and provided to the Servicer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares), the Initial Purchaser, each Hedge Counterparty, the Rating Agencies, (if so requested by the Initial Purchaser) or each Holder of a Note who makes a written request therefor, and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit H certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, the Beneficial Owner (or its designee), a monthly report (the "**Monthly Report**"); provided that a Monthly Report may be provided to any such party by posting such Monthly Report on the Trustee's password-protected website initially located at <http://www.cdocalc.com/ibt/cdo/> and providing access thereto to such parties. Each Monthly Report shall be accompanied by a Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice. The Monthly Report shall contain the following information, determined as of (1) in the case of a month in which there is no Payment Date, the last day of the applicable month and (2) in the case of a month in which there is a Payment Date, the Determination Date for such Payment Date, based in part on information provided by the Servicer (the "**Monthly Determination Date**");

(i) *Collateral:*

(A) The Aggregate Principal Balance (and, in the case of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its funded and unfunded amount), interest rate, Stated Maturity and obligor of each Collateral Obligation;

(B) The stated principal balance of Defaulted Collateral Obligations;

(C) The Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that are Cov-lite Loans;

(D) The identity of all Collateral Obligations and all obligations that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange do not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that were released for sale or other disposition (and, for each obligation sold, indicating whether sold as a Credit Risk Obligation, a Credit Improved Obligation, a Current-Pay Obligation, a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, a Workout Asset or an obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation or whether sold in connection with any withholding tax pursuant to Section 12.1(e) or sold as a discretionary sale pursuant to Section 12.1(h)); and the identity of all Collateral Obligations that were acquired, in each case since the date of the previous Monthly Report;

(E) The obligor of each Workout Asset;

(F) The Purchase Price of each Collateral Obligation acquired, the sale price of each Collateral Obligation sold (or the adjusted purchase or sale price with respect to any exchange of securities requiring an allocation by the Servicer) since the date of the previous Monthly Report on each sale;



(G) The identity of each Collateral Obligation (1) that is a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, a Workout Asset, a Cov-lite Loan or a PIK Security, and in the case of a PIK Security (i) the principal amount of previously deferred or capitalized interest and (ii) the change in the principal amount of previously deferred or capitalized interest since the most recent Monthly Report or (2) in respect of which an obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation has been received, in each case indicating the date of such default, as applicable, and reporting any Other Indebtedness, as defined in clause (ii) in the definition of "Defaulted Collateral Obligation," that the Servicer has determined not to be material;

(H) The S&P Industry Classification and the Moody's Industry Classification for each Collateral Obligation and the five highest concentrations of Collateral Obligations in the Moody's Industry Classification groups and the five highest concentrations of Collateral Obligations in the S&P Industry Classification groups;

(I) For each Collateral Obligation, the country of the obligor (and the related foreign currency debt rating) and, in the case of a country other than the United States of America, whether the obligor is Domiciled in a Moody's Group I Country, Moody's Group II Country, or Moody's Group III Country and the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations issued by issuers in the applicable country;

(J) For each Collateral Obligation, the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate and S&P Recovery Rate;

(K) For each Collateral Obligation, the S&P Rating, and if any S&P Rating for any Collateral Obligation in any Monthly Report is a credit estimate, "non-public" rating or "shadow" rating, the rating shall not be disclosed, but shall be replaced with an asterisk in the place of the applicable credit estimate, "non-public" rating or "shadow" rating;

(L) For each Collateral Obligation, the Moody's Rating and the Moody's Rating Factor, determined, for this purpose, and set forth both with and without regard to whether the Collateral Obligation has been put on watch for possible upgrade or downgrade, and if any Moody's Rating for any Collateral Obligation in any Monthly Report is an "estimated" or "shadow" rating, the rating shall not be disclosed, but shall be replaced with an asterisk in the place of the applicable "estimated" or "shadow" rating;

(M) The Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that have a Moody's Rating of "Caal" or lower;

(N) The Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that have an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower;

(O) For each Collateral Obligation that is a Participation or a Synthetic Security or is loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement, the related Secondary Risk Counterparty and each Rating Agency's long-term unsecured debt rating of the Secondary Risk Counterparty;

(P) Certain S&P benchmarks relating to the portfolio as provided by S&P in the S&P CDO Monitor regardless whether or not the S&P CDO Monitor passes or fails, including (1) S&P Default Measure (Annualized Portfolio Default Rate), (2) S&P Variability Measure (Annualized Standard Deviation of Portfolio Default Rate), (3) S&P Correlation Measure (Ratio of Standard Deviation of Portfolio with Correlation to Standard Deviation of Portfolio without Correlation) and (4) Weighted Average Default Correlation;

(Q) The identity and Market Value of each Collateral Obligation whose Market Value (in the determination of the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator) was determined pursuant to last proviso in the definition of "Market Value;"

(R) The identity of each Collateral Obligation participated from or entered into with a Secondary Risk Counterparty; and

(S) The identity of each Collateral Obligation owned by the Issuer that has not been disposed of within the time limits required by this Indenture.

(ii) *Accounts:*

(A) The amount of any proceeds in the Collection Account, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds (excluding unapplied proceeds), and unapplied proceeds;

(B) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Revolving Reserve Account;

(C) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account;

(D) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account;

(E) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Securities Lending Account; and

(F) The amount of any proceeds in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account;

(iii) *Hedge Agreements:*

(A) The outstanding notional amount of each Hedge Agreement; and

(B) The amount scheduled to be received and paid by the Issuer pursuant to each Hedge Agreement on the next Payment Date (as specified by the calculation agent under each Hedge Agreement);

(iv) *Coverage Tests, Collateral Quality Tests and Retention Overcollateralization Test:*

(A) The Overcollateralization Ratios and the Overcollateralization Ratios as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date; a statement as to whether each of the Overcollateralization Tests is satisfied and a statement as to whether the Retention Overcollateralization Test is satisfied;

(B) The Interest Coverage Ratios and, on and after the second Payment Date, a statement as to whether each of the Interest Coverage Tests is satisfied;

(C) The Diversity Score and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Diversity Test is satisfied;

(D) The Weighted Average Life of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied;

(E) The Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate, the S&P Recovery Rate and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test with respect to the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate and Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test with respect to the S&P Recovery Rate is satisfied;

(F) The Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied and a statement as to the amount of Spread Excess was used to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test;

(G) The Weighted Average Spread of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied and a statement as to the amount of Fixed Rate Excess was used to satisfy the Weighted Average Spread Test;

(H) The Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied; and

(I) The S&P CDO Monitor Test and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied and the Scenario Default Rate and the then applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate with respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P;

(v) *Concentration Limitations and Withholding Taxes:*

(A) The percentage of the Maximum Amount itemized against each element of the Concentration Limitations and a statement as to whether each Concentration Limitation is satisfied; and

(B) Any withholding tax on payments under any Collateral Obligation;

(vi) *Securities Lending Agreements:*

(A) Each Collateral Obligation loaned or borrowed pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and the percentage of the Maximum Amount that represents Collateral Obligations that are loaned or borrowed pursuant to Securities Lending Agreements; and

(B) With respect to each Securities Lending Agreement in effect as of the Monthly Determination Date, a list setting forth:

(1) for each Collateral Obligation loaned or borrowed under it as of the first day of the loan, (x) its Principal Balance, (y) its Market Value and (z) its Principal Balance expressed as a percentage of the Maximum Amount,

(2) the term of the loan of the Collateral Obligation,

(3) the expiration date of the Securities Lending Agreement,

(4) the Moody's Rating and S&P Rating for each loaned or borrowed Collateral Obligation,

(5) the principal amount of the related Securities Lending Collateral held in the Securities Lending Account, and

(6) the Eligible Investments held as Securities Lending Collateral pursuant to the related Securities Lending Agreement; and

(vii) Any other information the Trustee reasonably requests.

Upon receipt of each Monthly Report, the Trustee shall compare the information contained in the Monthly Report to the information contained in its records with respect to the Collateral and shall, within three Business Days after receipt of such Monthly Report, notify the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer if the information contained in the Monthly Report does not conform to the information maintained by the Trustee with respect to the Collateral, and shall detail any discrepancies. In the event that any discrepancy exists, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Servicer shall attempt to resolve the discrepancy. If such discrepancy cannot be promptly resolved, the Trustee shall within five Business Days after notification of such discrepancy cause the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8 to review such Monthly Report and the Trustee's records to determine the cause of such discrepancy. If such review reveals an error in the Monthly Report or the Trustee's records, the Monthly Report or the Trustee's records shall be revised accordingly and, as so revised, shall be used in making all calculations pursuant to this Indenture and notice of any error in the Monthly Report shall be sent as soon as practicable by the Issuer to all recipients of the report. If the review by the Independent accountants does not resolve the discrepancy, the Trustee, upon receipt of an Officer's certificate of the Servicer certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the information contained in the related Monthly Report is correct, shall conform the information it maintains to the Monthly Report received.

(b) *Payment Date Accounting.* The Issuer shall cause to be rendered an accounting report (the "**Valuation Report**"), determined as of the close of business on each Determination Date, and provided to the Servicer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares), the Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, each Hedge Counterparty, the Rating Agencies and each Noteholder (if so requested by the Initial Purchaser), the Depository (with instructions to forward it to each of its Agent Members who are Noteholders), and upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit H certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner and the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) not later than the second Business Day preceding the related Payment Date. Each Valuation Report shall be accompanied by a Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice. The Valuation Report shall contain the following information as of the related Payment Date (unless otherwise stated), based in part on information provided by the Servicer:

(i) *Notes:*

(A) The amount of principal payments to be made on each Class of Notes on the related Payment Date;

(B) The Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes after giving effect to any principal payments on the related Payment Date and, for each Class of Notes, the percentage of its initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount that amount represents;

(C) For each Class of Notes, the percentage of the initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all of the Notes that its initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount represented and, after giving effect to any principal payments on the related Payment Date, the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all of the Notes that its Aggregate Outstanding Amount represents;

(D) The interest payable in respect of each Class of Notes on the related Payment Date (in the aggregate and by Class) and its calculation in reasonable detail; and

(E) The amounts to be paid, if any, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payments on the Preference Shares on the related Payment Date, showing separately the payments from Interest Proceeds and the payments from Principal Proceeds;

(ii) *Payment Date Payments:*

(A) The amounts to be distributed under each clause of Sections 11.1(a)(i), 11.1(a)(ii) and 11.2 itemized by clause, and to the extent applicable, by type of distribution under the clause; and

(B) Any amounts payable under the Hedge Agreements by any Hedge Counterparty on or before the related Payment Date and its calculation in reasonable detail (as specified by the calculation agent under the Hedge Agreement);

(iii) *Accounts:*

(A) The amount of any proceeds in the Collection Account, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds (excluding unapplied proceeds) and unapplied proceeds;

(B) The amount in the Collection Account after all payments and deposits to be made on the related Payment Date, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds and as Principal Proceeds;

(C) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Revolving Reserve Account;

(D) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account;

(E) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account;

(F) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Securities Lending Account;

(G) The amount in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account; and

(H) The amount in the Expense Reimbursement Account;

(iv) A notice setting forth LIBOR, as calculated by the Calculation Agent, for the next Interest Period and each Note Interest Rate for the next Payment Date; and

(v) Any other information the Trustee reasonably requests.

Upon receipt of each Valuation Report, the Trustee shall compare the information contained in the Valuation Report to the information contained in its records with respect to the Collateral and shall, within three Business Days after receipt of such Valuation Report, notify the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer if the information contained in the Valuation Report does not conform to the information maintained by the Trustee with respect to the Collateral, and shall detail any discrepancies. In the event that any discrepancy exists, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Servicer shall attempt to resolve the discrepancy. If such discrepancy cannot be promptly resolved, the Trustee shall within five Business Days after notification of such discrepancy cause the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8 to review such Valuation Report and the Trustee's records to determine the cause of such discrepancy. If such review reveals an error in the Valuation Report or the Trustee's records, the Valuation

Report or the Trustee's records shall be revised accordingly and, as so revised, shall be used in making all calculations pursuant to this Indenture and notice of any error in the Valuation Report shall be sent as soon as practicable by the Issuer to all recipients of such report. If the review by the Independent accountants does not resolve the discrepancy, the Trustee, upon receipt of an Officer's certificate of the Servicer certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the information contained in the related Valuation Report is correct, shall conform the information it maintains to the Valuation Report received.

(c) *Failure to Provide Accounting.* If the Trustee shall not have received any accounting provided for in Section 10.6(b) on the first Business Day after the date on which the accounting is due to the Trustee, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Servicer, and the Servicer shall use all reasonable efforts to cause the accounting to be made by the applicable Payment Date. To the extent the Trustee is required to provide any information or reports pursuant to this Section 10.6 as a result of the failure of the Issuer (or anyone acting on the Issuer's behalf) to provide the information or reports, the Trustee may retain an Independent certified public accountant in connection therewith and the reasonable costs incurred by the Trustee for the Independent certified public accountant shall be reimbursed pursuant to Section 6.8.

(d) *Irish Stock Exchange.* So long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange: (i) the Trustee shall communicate to the Irish Stock Exchange the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each listed Class of Senior Notes following each Payment Date and inform the Irish Stock Exchange if any such Class of Senior Notes did not receive scheduled payments of principal or interest on the Payment Date; (ii) the Trustee shall inform the Irish Stock Exchange if the ratings assigned to the Senior Notes are reduced or withdrawn and the information shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange; and (iii) the Trustee shall inform the Irish Stock Exchange, in advance, of the Note Interest Rate for each such Class, as well as the exact date of the following Payment Date.

(e) *Quarterly Letter.* The Servicer shall provide a quarterly letter to the recipients of the Valuation Report highlighting events occurring during the related quarterly period within 30 days of the date of the delivery of the Valuation Report.

(f) *S&P CDO Monitor.* On or after the Ramp-Up Completion Date and together with each Monthly Report, the Issuer shall provide to S&P the Excel Default Model Input File.

(g) *Payments or Transfers from the Payment Account.* Each Valuation Report shall constitute instructions to the Trustee to withdraw on the related Payment Date from the Payment Account and pay or transfer amounts set forth in such Valuation Report in the manner specified and in accordance with the priority established in Section 11.1 hereof.

#### Section 10.7. *Release of Collateral.*

(a) The Trustee shall present Collateral for redemption or payment in full in accordance with the terms of the Collateral upon receipt of an Issuer Order. If no Event of Default is continuing, the Issuer may, by Issuer Order executed by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, delivered to the Trustee at least two Business Days before the settlement date for any sale of an obligation certifying that the sale of the Collateral is being made in accordance with Sections 12.1 and 12.3 and the sale complies with all applicable requirements of Section 12.1, direct the Trustee to release the Collateral and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall deliver any such Collateral, if in physical form, duly endorsed to the broker or purchaser designated in the Issuer Order or otherwise cause an appropriate transfer of it to be made, in each case against receipt of the sales price therefor as specified by the Servicer in the Issuer Order. The Trustee may deliver any such Collateral in physical form for examination pursuant to a bailee letter.

(b) The Trustee shall, upon an Issuer Order executed by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, deliver any Pledged Obligation that is set for any mandatory call or redemption or payment in full to the



appropriate paying agent on or before the date set for the call, redemption or payment, in each case against receipt of its call or redemption price or payment in full and provide notice of it to the Servicer.

(c) Upon receiving actual notice of any Offer, the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer shall notify the Servicer of any Collateral Obligation that is subject to a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion or other similar action (an "*Offer*"). If no Event of Default is continuing, the Servicer may direct the Trustee (and if an Event of Default is continuing, the Servicer may advise, and the Trustee may, in consultation with the Servicer, decide) to accept or participate in or decline or refuse to participate in the Offer and, in the case of acceptance or participation, to dispose of the Collateral Obligation in accordance with the Offer against receipt of payment for it. If the consideration to be received by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation is other than Cash, the consideration must be a Collateral Obligation that would be eligible for purchase by the Issuer pursuant to Section 12.2 assuming for this purpose that the Issuer committed to purchase the same on the date on which the Issuer accepts the Offer.

(d) Upon disposition by the Trustee of Collateral to any Person against receipt of payment therefore as provided in any of the foregoing clauses (a), (b) or (c), the Collateral shall be free of the lien of this Indenture. The lien shall continue in the proceeds received from the disposition.

(e) As provided in Section 10.2(b), the Trustee shall deposit any proceeds received by it from the disposition of a Pledged Obligation in the Collection Account, unless simultaneously applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or Eligible Investments as permitted under and in accordance with the requirements of this Article 10 and Article 12.

(f) The Trustee shall, upon receipt of an Issuer Order when no Notes are Outstanding and all obligations of the Co-Issuers under this Indenture have been satisfied, as evidenced by an Officer's certificate or an Opinion of Counsel, release any remaining Collateral from the lien of this Indenture.

(g) The Trustee shall release from the lien of this Indenture any Collateral that is provided directly to a Synthetic Security Counterparty or deposited in a segregated account in accordance with Section 10.5. Any Collateral or proceeds received by or redeposited by the Issuer into the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.5 shall again be subject to the lien of this Indenture.

Any collateral deposited in a segregated account in accordance with Section 10.3(d), (e), and (f) shall be subject to the lien of this Indenture for the benefit of the Secured Parties. Any collateral withdrawn by the Issuer in accordance with Section 10.3(d), (e), and (f) shall be released from the lien of this Indenture by the Trustee to the extent returned to the appropriate counterparty pursuant to Sections 10.3(d), (e) and (f).

#### Section 10.8. ***Reports by Independent Accountants.***

(a) At the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall appoint a firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation for purposes of preparing and delivering the reports or certificates of the accountants required by this Indenture. Within 30 days of any resignation by the firm, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall promptly appoint by Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee and each Rating Agency a successor firm that is a firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation. If the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, fails to appoint a successor to a firm of Independent certified public accountants which has resigned within 30 days after the resignation, the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, shall promptly appoint a successor firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation. The fees of such Independent certified public accountants and their successors shall be payable by the Issuer as an Administrative Expense.

(b) On or before December 15 of each year commencing in 2008, the Issuer shall cause to be delivered to the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer or each Noteholder or Holder of Preference Shares upon written request therefor, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit H certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) and each Rating Agency a statement from a firm of Independent certified public accountants indicating (i) that the firm has reviewed each Valuation Report received since the last review and applicable information from the Trustee, (ii) that the calculations within those Valuation Reports have been performed in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture (except as otherwise noted in the statement) and (iii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the preceding Determination Date. If a conflict exists between the firm of Independent certified public accountants and the Issuer with respect to any matter in this Section 10.7, the determination by that firm of Independent public accountants shall be conclusive. The statement shall be in the form of an Accountant's Certificate issued to the Issuer, the form of which shall be agreed on by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer.

(c) Upon the written request of the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any Holder of Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the firm of Independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to Section 10.7(a) to provide any Holder of Preference Shares with all information requested pursuant to Section 7.17(g) or provide the Issuer with any assistance required in its preparation.

#### Section 10.9. *Reports to Rating Agencies.*

In addition to the information and reports specifically required to be provided to each Rating Agency pursuant to this Indenture, the Issuer shall provide each Rating Agency with the Accountants' Certificates delivered to the Trustee under this Indenture, and such additional information as either Rating Agency may from time to time reasonably request. In addition, any notices of restructurings and amendments received by the Issuer or the Trustee in connection with the Issuer's ownership of a DIP Loan shall be delivered by the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) or the Trustee, as the case may be, promptly to the Rating Agencies.

## ARTICLE 11

### APPLICATION OF MONIES

#### Section 11.1. *Disbursements of Monies from Payment Account.*

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision in this Indenture, but subject to the other subsections of this Section 11.1 and to Section 13.1, on each Payment Date, the Trustee shall disburse available amounts from the Payment Account as follows and for application by the Trustee in accordance with the following priorities (the "*Priority of Payments*"):

(i) On each Payment Date, Interest Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period (other than Interest Proceeds previously used during such Due Period to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations or otherwise used as permitted by Section 10.2) shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

(1) to the payment of any taxes and registration and filing fees owed by the Co-Issuers (without limit) and then to the payment of Administrative Expenses up to the Administrative Expense Cap as follows:

FIRST, in the following order of priority,



- (i) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Trustee; and then
- (ii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Collateral Administrator; and then
- (iii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Preference Shares Paying Agent; and

SECOND, in the following order of priority,

- (i) fees and expenses of the Administrator; and then
  - (ii) fees and expenses of the Co-Issuers (including fees and expenses of counsel and ongoing surveillance, credit estimate, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies) and any other Person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for in this Indenture, and to the expenses (but not fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;
- (2) the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts paid pursuant to clause (1) above to deposit into the Expense Reimbursement Account;
- (3) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with Section 10.3(i) an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee then due and payable and SECOND, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause;
- (4) to the payment of all amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements (if any) other than any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;
- (5) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A Notes;
- (6) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class B Notes;
- (7) if the Class A/B Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case, in the amount necessary so that all of the Class A/B Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (7) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(1) on the current Payment Date);
- (8) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class C Notes (excluding Class C Deferred Interest, but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class C Deferred Interest);
- (9) to the payment of Class C Deferred Interest;
- (10) if the Class C Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the Note

Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class C Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (10) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(3) on the current Payment Date);

(11) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class D Notes (excluding Class D Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class D Deferred Interest);

(12) to the payment of Class D Deferred Interest;

(13) if the Class D Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class D Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (13) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(6) on the current Payment Date);

(14) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class E Notes (excluding Class E Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class E Deferred Interest);

(15) to the payment of Class E Deferred Interest;

(16) if the Class E Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class E Notes in the amount necessary so that all of the Class E Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full;

(17) if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that a Rating Confirmation is obtained, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (17) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(10) on the current Payment Date);

(18) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with Section 10.3(i) an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee then due and payable and SECOND, to the payment (*pro rata* according to the amounts payable under clauses (x) and (y) below) to: (x) the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and (y) *pro rata* to each Noteholder entitled thereto, the applicable Extension Bonus Payment pursuant to, and in accordance with, Section 2.4(g);

(19) during the Replacement Period, if the Retention Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, for deposit to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds 50% of the remaining Interest Proceeds available after the payments pursuant to clause (18) above (or, if the amount necessary to cause the Retention Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as

of such Determination Date is less than 50% of such remaining Interest Proceeds, such necessary amount);

(20) to the payment of any remaining Administrative Expenses not paid under clause (1) above in the respective priorities specified in clause (1);

(21) to the payment *pari passu* of (i) any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments and (ii) any Defaulted Synthetic Security Termination Payments;

(22) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment of dividends *pro rata* to the Holders of Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 14.0%;

(23) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with Section 10.3(i) of an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) the Supplemental Servicing Fee, if applicable and SECOND, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Supplemental Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and

(24) any remaining Interest Proceeds, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares;

provided that, in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds referred to under clauses (22) and (24) above, in whole or in part on any Payment Date, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute any Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be due and payable on such Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to any such Payment Date shall be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be increased accordingly. Any payments to the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be released from the lien of this Indenture and shall be paid in accordance with the provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

(ii) On each Payment Date, Principal Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period other than:

(A) Principal Proceeds previously used to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or otherwise used as permitted by Section 10.2,

(B) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, or the Securities Lending Account, and

(C) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed Purchase Prices for Collateral Obligations with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment before the end of the Due Period for their purchase, but has not settled the purchase by the end of the Due Period,

shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

(1) (x) FIRST, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (6) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (y) SECOND, to the payment of amounts referred to in clause (7) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and, with respect to the Overcollateralization Test with respect to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes, to the extent necessary to cause the Overcollateralization Test with respect to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (1), or until such amounts are paid in full;

(2) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (8) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(3) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (9) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(4) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (10) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and, with respect to the Overcollateralization Test with respect to the Class C Notes, to the extent necessary to cause the Overcollateralization Test with respect to the Class C Notes to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (4), or until such amounts are paid in full;

(5) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (11) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(6) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (12) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(7) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (13) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and, with respect to the Overcollateralization Test with respect to the Class D Notes, to the extent necessary to cause the Overcollateralization Test with respect to the Class D Notes to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (7), or until such amounts are paid in full;

(8) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (14) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(9) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (15) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(10) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (17) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(11) (A) if the Payment Date is a Redemption Date in the following order of priority: (i) to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of the Redemption Prices of all of the Notes to be redeemed, (ii) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (18), (20) and (21) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder, (iii) the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment of dividends *pro rata* to the Holders of Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 14.0%, (iv) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with Section 10.3(i) of an amount equal to the product of (x) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (y) the Supplemental Servicing Fee, if applicable and SECOND, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (x) the accrued and unpaid Supplemental Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (y) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause and (v) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares of the Redemption Price of any Preference Shares to be redeemed; and

(B) if the Payment Date is a Special Redemption Date, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of the Notes in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount, in each case until paid in full;

(12) during the Replacement Period, all remaining Principal Proceeds to the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.19 and Article 12 (and, until so applied (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), to be deposited in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds);

(13) after the Replacement Period, (i) FIRST, at the discretion of the Servicer (with respect to Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations) to the purchase or funding of additional or replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the applicable provisions of this Indenture when appropriate Collateral Obligations are available, and until such time, to the Collection Account for the purchase of Eligible Investments; and (ii) SECOND, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of Notes until paid in full;

(14) to the extent not previously paid in full under clause (11) above, after the Replacement Period, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (18), (20) and (21) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(15) after the Replacement Period, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment of dividends *pro rata* to the Holders of Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 14.0%;

(16) after the Replacement Period, FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with Section 10.3(i) of an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) the Supplemental Servicing Fee, if applicable and SECOND, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Supplemental Servicing Fee as of such



Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and

(17) after the Replacement Period to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, on any Payment Date occurring (x) after the occurrence of an Event of Default and an acceleration of the Notes pursuant to Section 5.2 that has not been rescinded, or (y) after the occurrence of an Event of Default and an acceleration of the Notes pursuant to Section 5.2 that has not been rescinded and the liquidation of the Collateral pursuant to Sections 5.4 and 5.5, all Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds and any other funds in the Accounts, shall be applied in the following order of priority: (1) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (1), (2), (3) and (4) of Section 11.1(a)(i) above (in the priority stated therein); (2) *first*, to the payment, of any accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes; *second*, to the payment of any accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B Notes and the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes; *third*, to the payment of any accrued and unpaid interest (including any Deferred Interest) on the Class C Notes and the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes; *fourth*, to the payment of any accrued and unpaid interest (including any Deferred Interest) on the Class D Notes and the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes; *fifth*, to the payment of any accrued and unpaid interest (including any Deferred Interest) on the Class E Notes and the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class E Notes; (3) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (18), (20) and (21) of Section 11.1(a)(i) above (in the same order of priority stated above); (4) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment of dividends *pro rata* to the Holders of Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 14.0%; (5) *first*, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with Section 10.3(i) of an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) the Supplemental Servicing Fee, if applicable and *then*, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Supplemental Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and (6) to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

The calculation on any Coverage Test on any Determination Date shall be made by giving effect to all payments to be made pursuant to all subclauses of the Priority of Payments as applicable, payable on the Payment Date following such Determination Date. In addition no Principal Proceeds will be used to pay a subordinated Class on a Payment Date if, after giving effect to such payment, any Coverage Test of a more senior Class of Notes is failing on such Payment Date or would fail as a result of such application of the Principal Proceeds on such Payment Date.

Any payments to the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be released from the lien of this Indenture and shall be paid in accordance with the provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

(b) If on any Payment Date the amount available in the Payment Account is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by the Valuation Report, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for in the order and according to the priority under Section 11.1(a), subject to Section 13.1, to the extent funds are available therefor.

(c) The Trustee shall remit funds to pay Administrative Expenses of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in accordance with Section 11.1(a), to the extent available, to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer as directed and designated in an Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions) delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before each Payment Date.

(d) If the Hedge Counterparty defaults in the payment of its obligations to the Issuer under the respective Hedge Agreements on the date on which any payment is due thereunder, the Trustee shall make a demand on the Hedge Counterparty, or any guarantor, if applicable, demanding payment by 12:30 P.M., New York time, on that date. The Trustee shall give notice to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer and each Rating Agency upon the continuing failure by the Hedge Counterparty to perform its obligations during the two Business Days following a demand made by the Trustee on, the Hedge Counterparty, and (subject to Section 6.1(c)(iv)) shall take the action with respect to the continuing failure as directed by the Servicer unless an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing in which case direction is to be taken pursuant to Section 5.13.

(e) Except as otherwise expressly provided in Section 11.1(a) above, if on any Payment Date, the amount available in the Payment Account from amounts received in the related Due Period is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by any numbered or lettered paragraph or clause of Section 11.1(a) to different Persons, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for by the paragraph or clause ratably in accordance with the respective amounts of the disbursements then payable, subject to Section 13.1, to the extent funds are available therefor.

## ARTICLE 12

### SALE OF COLLATERAL OBLIGATIONS; PURCHASE OF COLLATERAL OBLIGATIONS

#### Section 12.1. *Sales of Collateral Obligations.*

Subject to the satisfaction of the conditions specified in Section 10.6, Section 12.1 and Section 12.3 and if no Event of Default is continuing as evidenced by an Officer's certificate of the Servicer provided to the Trustee, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset if the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that the sale meets the requirements of any one of paragraphs (a) through (i) of this Section 12.1. If the Issuer sells any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset during the Replacement Period, the proceeds shall be applied in accordance with Section 12.2.

(a) *Credit Risk Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Risk Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Risk Obligation in accordance with such direction. Following any sale of a Credit Risk Obligation pursuant to this Section 12.1(a), at the direction of the Servicer during the Replacement Period, the Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (to the extent the purchase is in the best interest of the Issuer) meeting the Eligibility Criteria with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Sale Proceeds received by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral Obligation sold. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount.

(b) *Credit Improved Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Improved Obligation if either:

(i) during the Replacement Period, the Servicer has identified in writing before the sale one or more specific manners in which it will be able, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria and the requirements set forth in Section 12.1(i), to cause the Issuer to use the Sale Proceeds (it being understood that such identification shall not be considered either a requirement or an assurance that any specified purchase will be consummated) to purchase one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Credit Improved Obligation by the end of the immediately succeeding Due Period (for

this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest) which in aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Tests, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith being improved, (ii) the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests and Concentration Limitations being improved on a net basis in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased; and

(ii) after the Replacement Period, the Sale Proceeds received in respect of the Credit Improved Obligation are at least equal to its Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest;

and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Improved Obligation in accordance with such direction.

(c) *Non-Performing Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction. Non-Performing Collateral Obligations may be sold regardless of price.

(d) *Non-qualifying Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation (the "**Non-qualifying Collateral Obligation**") at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell that obligation in accordance with such direction.

(e) *Withholding Tax Sales.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation subject to withholding tax at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction.

(f) *Optional Redemption.* After the Issuer has notified the Trustee of an Optional Redemption of the Notes in accordance with Article 9, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all or a portion of the Collateral Obligations as contemplated therein if (i) the requirements of Article 9 are satisfied and (ii) the Independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to Section 10.7 have confirmed the calculations contained in any required certificate furnished by the Servicer pursuant to Section 9.3(c). After a Majority of the Preference Shares have directed an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares in accordance with Section 9.2(b), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all of the remaining Collateral Obligations (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(i)) or a portion of the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous directions of Holders of the Preference Shares (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii)) and the Trustee shall sell the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

(g) *Rating Confirmation Failure.* After the Servicer has received notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the



Securities, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell Collateral Obligations as contemplated in Section 9.1 and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

(h) *Workout Assets.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Workout Asset at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and regardless of price and the Trustee shall sell the Workout Assets in accordance with such direction.

(i) *Supervening Requirement.* Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Issuer (at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise) shall not acquire or dispose of a Collateral Obligation or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. For the avoidance of doubt, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise, may direct the Trustee to sell any CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation or Deep Discount Obligation only (a) if it constitutes Credit Risk Obligation or Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or (b) in connection with the Optional Redemption as set out in paragraph (f) above. The Trustee shall have no obligation to monitor compliance by the Issuer or the Servicer with respect to the requirement set out in this paragraph (i).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation (other than the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation or a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation pursuant to a sale that meets the requirements in paragraph (a) or (c) above, as applicable) following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to Section 14 of the Servicing Agreement until a successor Servicer is appointed pursuant to Section 12 of the Servicing Agreement.

#### Section 12.2. *Purchase of Collateral Obligations.*

(a) On any date during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, on any date after the Replacement Period), so long as no Event of Default is continuing, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to apply Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations) to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) if the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the conditions specified in this Section 12.2 and Section 12.3 are met.

(b) *Eligibility Criteria.* No obligations may be purchased unless each of the conditions in the following clauses (i) through (xii) (the "*Eligibility Criteria*") is satisfied as evidenced by a certificate of the Servicer as of the date the Issuer commits to make the purchase, in each case after giving effect to the purchase and all other purchases and sales previously or simultaneously committed to:

(i) the obligation is a Collateral Obligation;

(ii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period:

(A) each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied and, if the commitment is made on or after the second Payment Date, each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied, or

(B) if any such Coverage Test is not satisfied, both:

(1) the extent of satisfaction of the Coverage Test is not reduced, and

(2) the Collateral Obligation is being purchased with Principal Proceeds other than:

(x) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, or

(y) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Workout Asset that has been received in exchange for a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;

(iii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Diversity Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(iv) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(v) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, each of the limits in the definition of "Concentration Limitations" is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(vi) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(vii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(viii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(ix) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(x) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(xi) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced; provided, however, that this Eligibility Criterion (xi) shall not apply either to the application of the proceeds from the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset or to the application of Principal Proceeds in respect of Defaulted Collateral Obligations; and

(xii) for any date occurring after the Replacement Period:

(A) each Coverage Test is satisfied and the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(B) each Collateral Quality Test (other than the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test) is maintained or improved and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied;

(C) each Concentration Limitation is maintained or improved and the Aggregate Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations do not exceed 7.5% of the Maximum Amount;

(D) the stated maturity of such Collateral Obligation is equal to or earlier than the stated maturity of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal

Payments or the Credit Risk Obligations or Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable;

(E) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation is at least equal to the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments or of the Credit Risk Obligations or Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable;

(F) the Scenario Default Rate for all Outstanding Classes of Notes is no worse following such purchase; and

(G) the current Moody's Ratings on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes are no lower than their Initial Rating and the current Moody's Ratings on the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes are no lower than one subcategory below their Initial Rating.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to purchase any Collateral Obligation following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to Section 14 of the Servicing Agreement until a successor Servicer is appointed pursuant Section 12 of the Servicing Agreement.

(c) *Certain Permitted Exchanges.* The Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, exchange a Collateral Obligation for another Collateral Obligation in an A/B Exchange.

(d) *Certification by Servicer.* Not later than the Business Day preceding the settlement date for any Collateral Obligation purchased after the Closing Date (but in any event no later than the release of Cash for the Purchase Price of the purchase), the Servicer shall deliver to the Trustee an Officer's certificate of the Servicer certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the purchase complies with this Section 12.2 and with Section 12.3 (determined as of the date that the Issuer commits to make the purchase).

(e) *Eligible Investments.* Cash on deposit in the Collection Account may be held at any time in Eligible Investments in accordance with Section 10.4(a) pending the application thereof to purchase Collateral Obligations.

**Section 12.3. *Conditions Applicable to All Sale and Purchase Transactions.***

(a) Any sale or purchase by the Issuer of a Collateral Obligation shall be conducted on an arm's length basis and, if effected with the Servicer or a Person Affiliated with the Servicer or any fund or account for which the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer acts as investment adviser, shall be effected in accordance with the requirements of Section 5 of the Servicing Agreement on terms no less favorable to the Issuer than would be the case if the Person were not so Affiliated. The Trustee shall have no responsibility to oversee compliance with this clause (a) by the other parties.

(b) Upon any acquisition of any Collateral Obligation, all of the Issuer's interest in the Collateral Obligation shall be Granted to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture.

(c) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Article 12, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to sell or purchase any Collateral Obligation (other than the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation or a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation pursuant to Section 12.1(a) or (c), as applicable) following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to Section 14 of the Servicing Agreement until a successor Servicer is appointed pursuant to Section 12(e) of the Servicing Agreement.

Section 12.4. ***Certain Determinations Relating to Collateral Obligations.***

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Indenture, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have purchased any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to purchase, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to receive such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have acquired, granted or delivered, as the case may be, such Collateral Obligations on such date.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Indenture, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to sell, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to sell, and requiring the purchaser to purchase, such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold such Collateral Obligations on such date.

(c) Under the circumstances described in subsections (a) and (b) above, if the transaction contemplated by the contract, commitment letter, confirmation or due bill referred to therein does not settle on or before the 60th day following the scheduled settlement date (the "***Deadline***"), the deemed purchase or sale shall be deemed not to have occurred; provided, however, that the Servicer shall have the right to extend the Deadline for an additional period (not to exceed an additional 60 days) by notice to the Trustee, which notice shall include the Servicer's certification to the effect that the Servicer believes that the settlement shall occur on or before the extended Deadline.

(d) Scheduled distributions with respect to any Pledged Collateral Obligation shall be determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture.

## ARTICLE 13

### NOTEHOLDERS' RELATIONS

Section 13.1. ***Subordination.***

(a) With respect to each Class of Notes and the Preference Shares, the Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares that are Priority Classes and Junior Classes are as follows:

Class	Junior Classes	Priority Classes
A	B, C, D, E, Preference Shares*	None
B	C, D, E, Preference Shares*	A
C	D, E, Preference Shares*	A, B
D	E, Preference Shares*	A, B, C
E	Preference Shares*	A, B, C, D
Preference Shares	None**	A, B, C, D, E

\* Other than with respect to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, which may be payable to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as set forth herein and will have priority to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

\*\* The Preference Shares will be entitled to certain residual cash flow after payment of senior obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

(b) Anything in this Indenture or the Notes to the contrary notwithstanding, the Holders of each Class of Notes that is a Junior Class agree for the benefit of the Holders of Notes of each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class that the Junior Class shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes of each Priority Class to the extent and in the manner provided in this Indenture. If any Event of Default has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs and is continuing in accordance with Article 5, each Priority Class of Notes shall be paid in full in Cash or, to the extent a Majority of each Class consents, other than in Cash, before any further payment or distribution is made on account of any Junior Class of Notes with respect to the Priority Class. The Holders of each Junior Class of Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of Notes of each Priority Class in respect of the Junior Class, not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for failure to pay to them amounts due to the Junior Class, of the Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or under this Indenture until the payment in full of the Priority Classes or all the Classes, as the case may be, and not before one year and a day, or if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, has elapsed since the payment.

(c) If, notwithstanding the provisions of this Indenture, any Holder of Notes of any Junior Class has received any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes contrary to the provisions of this Indenture, then, until each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class of Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, has been paid in full in Cash or, to the extent a Majority of the Priority Class or the Class, as the case may be, consents, other than in Cash in accordance with this Indenture, the payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, which shall pay and deliver the same to the Holders of the applicable Priority Classes of Notes or the Holders of all Classes of Notes, as the case may be, in accordance with this Indenture. If any such payment or distribution is made other than in Cash, it shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and subject in all respects to this Indenture, including this Section 13.1.

(d) Each Holder of Notes of any Junior Class agrees with all Holders of the applicable Priority Classes that the Holder of Junior Class Notes shall not demand, accept, or receive any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes in violation of this Indenture including this Section 13.1. After a Priority Class has been paid in full, the Holders of Notes of the related Junior Class or Classes shall be fully subrogated to the rights of the Holders of the Priority Class. Nothing in this Section 13.1 shall affect the obligation of the Issuer to pay Holders of any Junior Class of Notes.

(e) Distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) are subordinate to distributions on the Notes as described in the Priority of Payments.

(f) The Servicing Fees shall have priority only to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

#### Section 13.2. *Standard of Conduct.*

In exercising any of its or their voting rights, rights to direct and consent, or any other rights as a Noteholder under this Indenture, a Noteholder shall not have any obligation or duty to any Person or to consider or take into account the interests of any Person and shall not be liable to any Person for any action taken by it or them or at its or their direction or any failure by it or them to act or to direct that an action be taken, without regard to whether the action or inaction benefits or adversely affects any Noteholder, the Issuer or any other Person, except for any liability to which the Noteholder may be subject to the extent the same results from the Noteholder's taking or directing an action, or failing to take or direct an action, in bad faith or in violation of the express terms of this Indenture.

## ARTICLE 14

### MISCELLANEOUS

#### Section 14.1. *Form of Documents Delivered to Trustee.*

In any case where several matters are required to be certified by, or covered by an opinion of, any specified Person, it is not necessary that all the matters be certified by, or covered by the opinion of, only one Person, or that they be so certified or covered by only one document, but one such Person may certify or give an opinion with respect to some matters and one or more other such Persons as to other matters, and any such Person may certify or give an opinion as to the matters in one or several documents.

Any certificate or opinion of an Officer of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Servicer may be based, insofar as it relates to legal matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, counsel, unless the Officer knows, or should know that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to the matters upon which his certificate or opinion is based are erroneous. Any such certificate of an Officer of the Issuer, Co-Issuer or the Servicer or Opinion of Counsel may be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or any other Person, stating that the information with respect to the factual matters is in the possession of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or the other Person, unless the Officer of the Issuer, Co-Issuer or the Servicer or the counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to factual matters are erroneous. Any Opinion of Counsel may also be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, an Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, stating that the information with respect to factual matters is in the possession of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, unless the counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to factual matters are erroneous.

Where any Person is required to make, give, or execute two or more applications, requests, consents, certificates, statements, opinions or other instruments under this Indenture, they may, but need not, be consolidated and form one instrument.

Whenever this Indenture provides that the absence of the continuation of a Default or Event of Default is a condition precedent to the taking of any action by the Trustee at the request or direction of either Co-Issuer, then notwithstanding that the satisfaction of the condition is a condition precedent to the Co-Issuer's right to make the request or direction, the Trustee shall be protected in acting in accordance with the request or direction if it does not have knowledge of the continuation of the Default or Event of Default as provided in Section 6.1(d).

#### Section 14.2. *Acts of Holders of Securities.*

(a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or taken by Holders of Securities may be embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments (which may be an electronic document, including, but not limited, to in the form of e-mail, to the extent permitted by applicable law) of substantially similar tenor signed by Holders of Securities in Person or by agents duly appointed in writing (provided that no signature shall be required on electronic documents, including, but not limited to, in the form of e-mail to the extent permitted by law). Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, the action shall become effective when the instruments are delivered to the Trustee (which instrument or instruments may be delivered through the Preference Shares Paying Agent, in the case of the Holders of the Preference Shares) and, if expressly required, to the Issuer. The instruments (and the action embodied in them) are referred to as the "**Act**" of the Holders of Securities signing the instruments. Proof of execution of any instrument or of a writing appointing an agent for a Holder of a Security shall be sufficient for any purpose of this Indenture and conclusive in favor of the Trustee and the Issuer, if made in the manner provided in this Section.



(b) The fact and date of the execution by any Person of any instrument may be proved by an affidavit of a witness to the execution or the certificate of any notary public or other Person authorized by law to acknowledge the execution of deeds. Any certificate on behalf of a jural entity executed by a Person purporting to have authority to act on behalf of the jural entity shall itself be sufficient proof of the authority of the Person executing it to act. The fact and date of the execution by any Person of any instrument may also be proved in any other manner that the Trustee deems sufficient.

(c) The Indenture Register shall prove the ownership of the Notes and the principal amount and registered numbers of Notes and the number of Preference Shares held by and the number(s) of the Preference Share certificate(s) issued to, any Person shall be proved by the share register of the Issuer.

(d) Any Act by the Holder of a Security shall bind every Holder of the same Security and every Security issued on its transfer or in exchange for it or in lieu of it, in respect of anything done, omitted or suffered to be done by the Trustee or the Issuer in reliance on the Act, whether or not notation of the action is made on the Securities.

Section 14.3. *Notices, etc., to Certain Persons or Parties.*

(a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, order, notice, consent, waiver, or Act of Holders of Securities or other documents provided or permitted by this Indenture to be made, given, or furnished to, or filed with:

(i) the Trustee or Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and made, given, furnished, or filed to and mailed, by certified mail, return receipt requested, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service guaranteeing next day delivery, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Trustee or Preference Shares Paying Agent addressed to it at, 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code: EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116, telecopy no. (617) 937-0517, Attention: CDO Services Group – Greenbriar CLO, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto by the Trustee (any request, direction, order, notice or other communication from the Servicer to the Trustee under Article 12 (other than required certifications) may be by electronic mail, which shall be deemed to be in writing);

(ii) the Issuer shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Issuer addressed to it at c/o Maples Finance Limited, P.O. Box 1093GT, Boundary Hall, Cricket Square, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, telecopy no. (345) 945-7100, Attention: the Directors—Greenbriar CLO, Ltd., or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto by the Issuer, with a copy to the Servicer at its address below;

(iii) the Co-Issuer at 850 Library Avenue, Suite 204, Newark, Delaware 19711, Attention: Director, or at any other address previously furnished in writing by the Co-Issuer;

(iv) the Servicer shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Servicer addressed to it at Two Galleria Tower, 13455 Noel Road, Suite 800, Dallas, Texas 75240, telecopy no. (972) 628-4147, Attention: Todd Travers, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto;

(v) the Initial Purchaser shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Initial Purchaser addressed to them at One New York Plaza, New York, New York 10004, telecopy no. (212) 256-6362, Attention: Keith Lee, or at any other address

previously furnished in writing to the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, and the Trustee by an Officer of the Initial Purchaser;

(vi) any Hedge Counterparty shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered or sent by overnight courier service or by telecopy in legible form to the Hedge Counterparty addressed to it at the address specified in the relevant Hedge Agreement or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Issuer or the Trustee by the Hedge Counterparty;

(vii) the Rating Agencies shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to each Rating Agency addressed to it at Moody's Investors Service, Inc., 7 World Trade Center at 250 Greenwich Street, New York, New York 10007, Telecopy No. [(212) 553-4170], [cdomonitoring@moodys.com](mailto:cdomonitoring@moodys.com), Attention: CBO/CLO Monitoring and Standard & Poor's, 55 Water Street, 41<sup>st</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10041-0003, telecopy no. (212) 438-2664, Attention: Asset Backed-CBO/CLO Surveillance and each Monthly Report shall also be sent to S&P electronically to [CDO\\_Surveillance@standardandpoors.com](mailto:CDO_Surveillance@standardandpoors.com);

(viii) the Administrator shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by facsimile in legible form, addressed to Maples Finance Limited, P.O. Box 1093GT, Boundary Hall, Cricket Square, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, telecopy no. (345) 945-7100, Attention: the Directors—Greenbriar CLO, Ltd.;

(ix) to the Listing Agent at Arthur Cox Listing Services Limited, Earls Fort Center, Earls Fort Terrace, Dublin 2, Ireland, telephone no. +353 1 618 0556, telecopy no. +353 1 618 0618, Attention: Helen Berrill, or at any other address previously furnished in writing by the Listing Agent or e-mailed to [helen.berrill@arthurcox.com](mailto:helen.berrill@arthurcox.com); and

(x) to the Irish Paying Agent at Custom House Administration & Corporate Services Ltd., 25 Eden Quay, Dublin 1, Ireland, telephone no. +353 1 878 0807, telecopy no. +353 1 878 0827, Attention: Evelyn Meenaghan, or at any other address previously furnished in writing by the Irish Paying Agent.

(b) If any provision in this Indenture calls for any notice or document to be delivered simultaneously to the Trustee and any other Person, the Trustee's receipt of the notice or document shall entitle the Trustee to assume that the notice or document was delivered to the other Person unless otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture.

(c) Any Holder or beneficial owner of any Class A Notes may elect to acquire bond insurance, a surety bond, a credit default swap or similar credit enhancement supporting the payment of principal and/or interest on such Class A Notes on terms and conditions acceptable to such Holder or beneficial owner and at the sole expense of such Holder or beneficial owner. On or after any such acquisition, such Holder or beneficial owner may deliver notice (and if from a beneficial owner, any such notice shall include certification that such owner is a beneficial owner of the Class A Notes) to the Trustee in substantially the form of Exhibit J specifying the name and contact information of the insurer, surety, credit protection seller or enhancer of such Class A Notes (each, an "**Insurer**"). After receipt of any such notice (in the form of Exhibit J) by the Trustee, the Trustee shall copy the related Insurer on all notices, reports or other documents delivered to the Noteholders.



Section 14.4. *Notices to Noteholders and the Preference Shares Paying Agent; Waiver.*

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, where this Indenture provides for notice to the Noteholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) of any event,

(a) the notice shall be sufficiently given to the Noteholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, each Noteholder affected by the event or the Preference Shares Paying Agent, at the address of the Holder as it appears in the Indenture Register or at the address of the Preference Shares Paying Agent supplied by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Trustee, as applicable, not earlier than the earliest date and not later than the latest date, prescribed for the giving of the notice; and

(b) the notice shall be in the English language.

Notices shall be deemed to have been given on the date of their mailing.

Notwithstanding clause (a), a Noteholder or the Preference Shares Paying Agent may give the Trustee a written notice that it is requesting that notices to it be given by facsimile transmissions and stating the telecopy number for the transmission. Thereafter, the Trustee shall give notices to the Holder or the Preference Shares Paying Agent by facsimile transmission. If the notice also requests that notices be given by mail, then the notice shall also be given by mail in accordance with clause (a) above, as the case may be.

The Trustee shall deliver to the Noteholders any information or notice relating to this Indenture requested to be so delivered by at least 10% (by Aggregate Outstanding Amount) of the Holders of any Class of Notes at the expense of the Issuer. The Trustee shall deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent any information or notice that the Preference Shares Paying Agent certifies was requested to be so delivered by at least 10% (by Aggregate Outstanding Amount) of the Holders of the Preference Shares at the expense of the Issuer.

Neither the failure to mail any notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Noteholder or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall affect the sufficiency of the notice with respect to other Noteholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent. If it is impracticable to give the notice by mail of any event to Noteholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent when the notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this Indenture because of the suspension of regular mail service as a result of a strike, work stoppage or similar activity or because of any other cause, then the notification to Noteholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent as shall be made with the approval of the Trustee shall be a sufficient notification to the Holders for every purpose under this Indenture.

Where this Indenture provides for notice in any manner, the notice may be waived in writing by any Person entitled to receive the notice, either before or after the event, and the waiver shall be the equivalent of the notice. Waivers of notice by Noteholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be filed with the Trustee but the filing shall not be a condition precedent to the validity of any action taken in reliance on the waiver.

So long as any Senior Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the guidelines of the exchange so require, all notices to Noteholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Preference Shares) shall also be given to the Irish Paying Agent for publication in the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

The Issuer shall (and authorizes the Trustee to) deliver to the Initial Purchaser all periodic reports, notices, demands, and other written information delivered or received by the Issuer, the Servicer, trustees, paying agents, accountants, or other Persons pursuant to this Indenture and other operative documentation

relating to the Notes requested by the Initial Purchaser (collectively, the "**Transaction Reports**") and the Issuer consents to the Initial Purchaser providing Transaction Reports received by it to current and prospective investors in the Notes (including by means of electronic transmissions or posting the Transaction Reports on internet sites maintained by the Initial Purchaser or any of its Affiliates).

Section 14.5. ***Effect of Headings and Table of Contents.***

The Article and Section headings in this Indenture and the Table of Contents are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction of this Indenture.

Section 14.6. ***Successors and Assigns.***

All covenants and agreements in this Indenture by the Co-Issuers shall bind their respective successors and assigns, whether so expressed or not.

Section 14.7. ***Separability.***

Except to the extent prohibited by applicable law, in case any provision in this Indenture, in the Notes shall be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the validity, legality, and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

Section 14.8. ***Benefits of Indenture.***

Nothing in this Indenture or in the Notes, expressed or implied, shall give to any Person, other than the parties hereto and their successors under this Indenture, the Servicer, the Noteholders, the Holders of Preference Shares or the Preference Shares Paying Agent any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under this Indenture.

Section 14.9. ***Governing Law.***

THIS INDENTURE AND EACH NOTE SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS PROVISIONS THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION.

Section 14.10. ***Submission to Jurisdiction.***

The Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or federal court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Securities or this Indenture, and the Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably agree that all claims in respect of the action or proceeding may be heard and determined in the New York State or federal court. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably waive, to the fullest extent that they may legally do so, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of the action or proceeding. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee irrevocably consent to the service of all process in any action or proceeding by the mailing or delivery of copies of the process to the Co-Issuers at the office of State Street Bank and Trust Company (to the attention of State Street Bank and Trust Company, Trustee for Greenbriar CLO, Ltd.) set out in Section 7.2. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee agree that a final judgment in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

Section 14.11. *Counterparts.*

This Indenture may be executed in any number of copies, and by the different parties on the same or separate counterparts, each of which shall be considered to be an original instrument.

Section 14.12. *Acts of Issuer.*

Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or performed by the Issuer shall be effective if given or performed by the Issuer or by the Servicer on the Issuer's behalf.

Section 14.13. *Liability of Co-Issuers.*

Notwithstanding any other terms of this Indenture, the Notes or any other agreement entered into by either of the Co-Issuers or otherwise, neither of the Co-Issuers shall have any liability whatsoever to the other of the Co-Issuers under this Indenture, the Notes, any other agreement, or otherwise. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, neither of the Co-Issuers may take any action to enforce, or bring any action or proceeding, in respect of this Indenture, the Notes, any other agreement, or otherwise against the other of the Co-Issuers. In particular, neither of the Co-Issuers may petition or take any other steps for the winding up or bankruptcy of the other of the Co-Issuers and neither of the Co-Issuers shall have any claim with respect to any assets of the other of the Co-Issuers.

Section 14.14. *Indemnity of Co-Issuer.*

The Issuer agrees to indemnify the Co-Issuer for any payments that may become due from the Co-Issuer under Article 11 with respect to any Notes issued under this Indenture and any administrative, legal, or other costs incurred by the Co-Issuer in connection with those payments.

## ARTICLE 15

### ASSIGNMENT OF SERVICING AGREEMENT; HEDGE AGREEMENTS

Section 15.1. *Assignment of Servicing Agreement; Amendment of Servicing Agreement.*

(a) The Issuer, in furtherance of the covenants of this Indenture and as security for the Notes and amounts payable to the Secured Parties under this Indenture and the performance and observance of the provisions of this Indenture, acknowledges that its Grant pursuant to the first Granting Clause includes all of the Issuer's interest in the Servicing Agreement, including:

- (i) the right to give all notices, consents and releases under it,
- (ii) the right to give all notices of termination pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and to take any legal action upon the breach of an obligation of the Servicer under it, including the commencement, conduct and consummation of proceedings at law or in equity,
- (iii) the right to receive all notices, accountings, consents, releases and statements under it, and
- (iv) the right to do all other things whatsoever that the Issuer is or may be entitled to do under it.

Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, the Trustee may not exercise any of the rights in (i) through (iv) above or that may otherwise arise as a result of the Grant until the occurrence of an Event of Default under this Indenture and the authority shall terminate when the Event of Default is cured or waived.

(b) The assignment made hereby is executed as security, and the execution and delivery hereby shall not in any way impair or diminish the obligations of the Issuer under the Servicing Agreement, nor shall any of the obligations contained in the Servicing Agreement be imposed on the Trustee.

(c) Upon the retirement of the Notes and the release of the Collateral from the lien of this Indenture, this assignment, and all rights in this Indenture assigned to the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders shall cease and terminate and all the interest of the Trustee in the Servicing Agreement shall revert to the Issuer and no further instrument or act shall be necessary to evidence the termination and reversion.

(d) The Issuer represents that the Issuer has not executed any other assignment of the Servicing Agreement.

(e) The Issuer agrees that this assignment is irrevocable, and that it shall not take any action that is inconsistent with this assignment or make any other assignment inconsistent herewith. The Issuer shall, from time to time upon the request of the Trustee, execute all instruments of further assurance and all such supplemental instruments with respect to this assignment as the Trustee may reasonably request.

(f) The Issuer agrees to obtain the agreement and consent of the Servicer in the Servicing Agreement to the following:

(i) the Servicer consents to this collateral assignment and agrees to perform any provisions of this Indenture made expressly applicable to the Servicer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement.

(ii) the Servicer acknowledges that the Issuer is collaterally assigning all of its interest in the Servicing Agreement to the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties and the Servicer agrees that all of the representations, covenants and agreements made by the Servicer in the Servicing Agreement are also for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

(iii) the Servicer shall deliver to the Trustee duplicate original copies of all notices, statements, communications and instruments delivered or required to be delivered to the Issuer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement (other than any of them delivered to the Issuer by the Trustee or the Collateral Administrator).

(iv) the procedure for amending the Servicing Agreement as set forth in Section 15.1(h) below.

(v) except as otherwise provided in this Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, subject to the resignation rights of the Servicer pursuant to Section 12 of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer shall continue to serve as Servicer under the Servicing Agreement notwithstanding that the Servicer shall not have received amounts due it under the Servicing Agreement because sufficient funds were not then available under this Indenture to pay the amounts owed to the Servicer pursuant to the Priority of Payments. The Servicer agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for the nonpayment of the fees or other amounts payable by the Administrative Agent to the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement until the payment in full of all Notes issued under this Indenture and the payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent of all amounts payable with respect to the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the expiration of a period equal to the greater of (A) the applicable preference period plus one day or (B) one year and one day following the payment. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Servicer may

commence any legal action that is not a bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation or similar proceeding against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any of their properties and may take any action it deems appropriate at any time in any bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation or similar proceeding and any other Proceeding voluntarily commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or involuntarily commenced against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by anyone other than the Servicer or any Affiliate of the Servicer.

(vi) the Servicer irrevocably submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or federal court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Notes, the Preference Shares or this Indenture, and the Servicer irrevocably agrees that all claims in respect of the action or proceeding may be heard and determined in the New York State or federal court. The Servicer irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent it may legally do so, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of the action or proceeding. The Servicer irrevocably consents to the service of all process in any action or proceeding by the mailing or delivery of copies of the process to it the address provided for in Section 14.3. The Servicer agrees that a final and non-appealable judgment by a court of competent jurisdiction in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

(g) Following the resignation or removal of the Servicer, the Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to appoint a successor Servicer, and the Issuer, the Trustee, and the resigning or removed Servicer shall take any action consistent with the Servicing Agreement and this Indenture applicable to the Servicer, necessary to effectuate any such succession.

(h) (i) The Issuer may, at the request of the Servicer, enter into an amendment or modification of the Servicing Agreement from time to time, without the consent of the Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not the interests of the Holders of the Securities are adversely affected thereby; provided that, with respect to any such amendment or modification, (a) a Rating Condition is satisfied and (b) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares have not objected in writing to such amendment or modification prior to the relevant Objection Cut-Off Date (as defined below).

(ii) If at any time the Servicer desires to amend or modify the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer shall notify the Issuer and the Trustee, providing details of such proposed amendment or modification. Not later than five Business Days after receipt of such notice, the Trustee shall mail such notice to (a) each Noteholder at such Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as applicable, (b) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and (c) to each Rating Agency. If any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes or any Holder of the Preference Shares notifies, by delivering a written notice to the Trustee within 35 days after the Trustee has mailed such notice, that it objects to such proposed amendment or modification, the Trustee shall, within two Business Days after receiving such notice of objection, mail a notice of the receipt of such objection to the Issuer, the Servicer and other Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and other Holders of the Preference Shares. Each Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes and each Holder of the Preference Shares that also wishes to object to such amendment or modification must, by delivering a written notice, so notify the Trustee within seven Business Days after the Trustee has mailed such notice of the receipt of such objection (the last day of such seven Business Day period, the "**Objection Cut-Off Date**"). If a Majority of either the Controlling Class of Notes or the Preference Shares notifies the Trustee in writing on or before the Objection Cut-Off Date that they object to the proposed amendment or modification to the Servicing Agreement, such amendment or modification shall not be made.

Section 15.2. *Hedge Agreements.*

(a) At any time and from time to time on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, may enter into the Hedge Agreements and shall assign its rights (but none of its obligations) under the Hedge Agreements to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture. The Trustee shall, on behalf of the Issuer and in accordance with the Valuation Report, pay amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements on any Payment Date in accordance with Section 11.1.

(b) The Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless at the time of entering into such Hedge Agreement the Hedge Counterparty has the ratings specified in such Hedge Agreement.

(c) If at any time a Hedge Counterparty does not have the required ratings as set forth in the Hedge Agreement, the Hedge Counterparty shall be required to take such actions as are set forth in the relevant Hedge Agreement.

(d) Whenever the Issuer enters into a Hedge Agreement, the Hedge Counterparty thereto shall comply with the then currently applicable rating criteria of each Rating Agency from time to time.

(e) If the Issuer has the right under a Hedge Agreement at any time to demand that the related Hedge Counterparty deliver Eligible Collateral in accordance with an Approved Credit Support Document, the Issuer, or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, shall make the demand.

(f) Any payments required to be made under the Hedge Agreements shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Subordinated Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments shall be subordinate to interest and principal payments on the Notes and any other payments required to be made by the Issuer under the Hedge Agreements, but senior to distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares.

(g) Except as provided in paragraph (i) of this Section 15.2, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall, promptly following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) (but no later than 60 days after the early termination), and to the extent possible through application of Hedge Termination Receipts, enter into a Replacement Hedge, unless, in the exercise of the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment, to do so would not be in the best interest of the Issuer and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the non-entry into the a Replacement Hedge. In addition, a Replacement Hedge may not be entered into unless the Issuer provides the Rating Agencies with at least seven Business Days' prior written notice of its intention to enter into the agreement, together with its form and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the Replacement Hedge. The Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than a termination resulting from the bankruptcy, insolvency, or similar event with respect to the Hedge Counterparty) to become effective simultaneously with its entering into a Replacement Hedge. To the extent that (i) the Servicer determines not to replace the Hedge Agreement and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the determination or (ii) termination is occurring on a Redemption Date, the Hedge Termination Receipts shall become part of Principal Proceeds and be distributed in accordance with Section 11.1 on the next following Payment Date (or on the Redemption Date, if the Notes are redeemed on the Redemption Date).

(h) Notwithstanding Section 15.2(i), the applicable requirements of Section 15.2(i) shall not have to be met if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is otherwise satisfied with respect thereto.

(i) The notional amounts of the Hedge Agreements outstanding at any time may be reduced or increased from time to time, by the Issuer, and the Hedge Agreements may be amended, modified or terminated in accordance with the Hedge Agreements if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating



Agency is satisfied with respect to the reduction, increase, amendment, modification or termination, as the case may be.

(j) Each Hedge Agreement may be terminated pursuant to its terms by the Hedge Counterparty upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes (but only after the applicable notice of redemption may no longer be withdrawn pursuant to Section 9.03), an acceleration of maturity of the Notes after an Event of Default or the entry into certain amendments to this Indenture without the consent of the Hedge Counterparty. The Hedge Agreement will not be permitted to be terminated by the Issuer as the result of a Default or Event of Default unless any acceleration of maturity of the Notes resulting from the Event of Default is no longer permitted to be rescinded pursuant to this Indenture.

(k) Except for Hedge Agreements entered into on or before the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have set our hands as of the day and year first written above.

EXECUTED AS A DEED BY

**GREENBRIAR CLO, LTD.,**  
AS ISSUER

By: 

Name: Chris Marett  
Title: DIRECTOR

**GREENBRIAR CLO CORP.,**  
AS CO-ISSUER

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

Name:  
Title:

**STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST  
COMPANY,**  
AS TRUSTEE AND CUSTODIAN

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

Name:  
Title:



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have set our hands as of the day and year first written above.

EXECUTED AS A DEED BY

**GREENBRIAR CLO, LTD.,**  
AS ISSUER

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

Name:

Title:

**GREENBRIAR CLO CORP.,**  
AS CO-ISSUER

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

Name: Donald J. Puglisi

Title: President

**STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST**  
**COMPANY,**  
AS TRUSTEE AND CUSTODIAN

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

Name:

Title:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have set our hands as of the day and year first written above.

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AS ISSUER

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

**GREENBRIAR CLO CORP.,**  
AS CO-ISSUER

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

**STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST**  
**COMPANY,**  
AS TRUSTEE AND CUSTODIAN

By:   
Name: **Brian Peterson**  
Title: **Director**

Schedule 1

**List of Collateral Obligations**

Schedule 2

**Moody's Industry Classification Group List**

**Aerospace and Defense:** Major Contractor, Subsystems, Research, Aircraft Manufacturing, Arms, Ammunition

**Automobile:** Automotive Equipment, Auto-Manufacturing, Auto Parts Manufacturing, Personal Use Trailers, Motor Homes, Dealers

**Banking:** Bank Holding, Savings and Loans, Consumer Credit, Small Loan, Agency, Factoring, Receivables

**Beverage, Food and Tobacco:** Beer and Ale, Distillers, Wines and Liquors, Distributors, Soft Drink Syrup, Bottling, Bakery, Mill Sugar, Canned Foods, Corn Refiners, Dairy Products, Meat Products, Poultry Products, Snacks, Packaged Foods, Distributors, Candy, Gum, Seafood, Frozen Food, Cigarettes, Cigars, Leaf/Snuff, Vegetable Oil

**Buildings and Real Estate:** Brick, Cement, Climate Controls, Contracting, Engineering, Construction, Hardware, Forest Products (building-related only), Plumbing, Roofing, Wallboard, Real Estate, Real Estate Development, REITs, Land Development

**Chemicals, Plastics and Rubber:** Chemicals (non-agriculture), Industrial Gases, Sulfur, Plastics, Plastic Products, Abrasives, Coatings, Paints, Varnish, Fabricating

**Containers, Packaging and Glass:** Glass, Fiberglass, Containers made of: Glass, Metal, Paper, Plastic, Wood or Fiberglass

**Personal and Non Durable Consumer Products (Manufacturing Only):** Soaps, Perfumes, Cosmetics, Toiletries, Cleaning Supplies, School Supplies

**Diversified/Conglomerate Manufacturing**

**Diversified/Conglomerate Service**

**Diversified Natural Resources, Precious Metals and Minerals:** Fabricating, Distribution, Mining and Sales

**Ecological:** Pollution Control, Waste Removal, Waste Treatment, Waste Disposal

**Electronics:** Computer Hardware, Electric Equipment, Components, Controllers, Motors, Household Appliances, Information Service, Communication Systems, Radios, TVs, Tape Machines, Speakers, Printers, Drivers, Technology

**Finance:** Investment Brokerage, Leasing, Syndication, Securities

**Farming and Agriculture:** Livestock, Grains, Produce, Agricultural Chemicals, Agricultural Equipment, Fertilizers

**Grocery:** Grocery Stores, Convenience Food Stores

**Healthcare, Education and Childcare:** Ethical Drugs, Proprietary Drugs, Research, Health Care Centers, Nursing Homes, HMOs, Hospitals, Hospital Supplies, Medical Equipment

**Home and Office Furnishings, Housedress, and Durable Consumer Products:** Carpets, Floor Coverings,

Furniture, Cooking, Ranges

**Hotels, Motels, Inns and Gaming**

**Insurance:** Life, Property and Casualty, Broker, Agent, Surety

**Leisure, Amusement, Entertainment:** Boating, Bowling, Billiards, Musical Instruments, Fishing, Photo Equipment, Records, Tapes, Sports, Outdoor Equipment (camping), Tourism, Resorts, Games, Toy Manufacturing, Motion Picture Production, Theatres, Motion Picture Distribution

**Machinery (Non-Agriculture, Non-Construction, Non-Electronic):** Industrial, Machine Tools, Steam Generators

**Mining, Steel, Iron and Non-Precious Metals:** Coal, Copper, Lead, Uranium, Zinc, Aluminum, Stainless Steel, Integrated Steel, Ore Production, Refractories, Steel Mill Machinery, Mini-Mills, Fabricating, Distribution and Sales

**Oil and Gas:** Crude Producer, Retailer, Well Supply, Service and Drilling

**Personal, Food and Miscellaneous**

**Printing and Publishing:** Graphic Arts, Paper, Paper Products, Business Forms, Magazines, Books, Periodicals, Newspapers, Textbooks

**Cargo Transport:** Rail, Shipping, Railroads, Rail-car Builders, Ship Builders, Containers, Container Builders, Parts, Overnight Mail, Trucking, Truck Manufacturing, Trailer Manufacturing, Air Cargo, Transport

**Retail Stores:** Apparel, Toy, Variety, Drugs, Department, Mail Order Catalogue, Showroom

**Structured Finance**

**Telecommunications:** Local, Long Distance, Independent, Telephone, Telegraph, Satellite, Equipment, Research, Cellular

**Textiles and Leather:** Producer, Synthetic Fiber, Apparel Manufacturer, Leather Shoes **Personal**

**Transportation:** Air, Bus, Rail, Car, Rental

**Utilities:** Electric, Water, Hydro Power, Gas, Diversified

**Broadcasting and Entertainment:** Recording Industry, Motion Exhibition Theatres, Motion Picture Production and Distribution, Radio, TV, Cable Broadcasting, Broadcasting Equipment

Schedule 3

**S&P Industry Classifications**

Corporate Obligations

0. Zero Default Risk
1. Aerospace & Defense
2. Air transport
3. Automotive
4. Beverage & Tobacco
5. Radio & Television
6. Brokerages, Dealers & Investment houses
7. Building & Development
8. Business equipment & services
9. Cable & satellite television
10. Chemical & plastics
11. Clothing/textiles
12. Conglomerates
13. Containers & glass products
14. Cosmetics/toiletries
15. Drugs
16. Ecological services & equipment
17. Electronics/electrical
18. Equipment leasing
19. Farming/agriculture
20. Financial Intermediaries
21. Food/drug retailers
22. Food products
23. Food service
24. Forest products
25. Health care
26. Home furnishings
27. Lodging & casinos
28. Industrial equipment
29. Insurance
30. Leisure goods/activities/movies
31. Nonferrous metals/minerals
32. Oil & gas
33. Publishing
34. Rail Industries
35. Retailers (except food & drug)
36. Steel
37. Surface transport
38. Telecommunications
39. Utilities

Corporate Structured Obligations

50. CDOs

Structured Obligations

- 51. ABS Consumer
- 52. ABS Commercial
- 53. CMBS Diversified (Conduit and CTL)
- 54. CMBS (Large Loan, Single Borrower, and Single Property)
- 55. REITs and REOCs
- 56. RMBS A
- 57. RMBS B&C, HELs, HELOCs, and Tax Lien
- 58. Manufactured Housing
- 59. U.S. Agency (Explicitly Guaranteed)
- 60. Monoline/FER Guaranteed
- 61. Non-FER Company Guaranteed
- 62. FFELP Student Loans (Over 70% FFELP)
- 63. CLO of SME's

Schedule 4**Diversity Score Calculation**

The Diversity Score for the Collateral Obligations is calculated by summing each of the Industry Diversity Scores, which are calculated as follows:

(i) An "**Obligor Par Amount**" is calculated for each obligor represented in the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) by summing the par amounts of all Collateral Obligations in the Collateral (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) issued by that obligor or any Affiliate of that obligor (other than obligors that the Servicer reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(ii) An "**Average Par Amount**" is calculated by summing the Obligor Par Amounts and dividing by the number of obligors represented. For purposes of calculating the number of issuers of the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations), any issuers Affiliated with one another shall be considered one issuer (other than obligors that the Servicer reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(iii) An "**Equivalent Unit Score**" is calculated for each obligor represented in the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) by taking the lesser of (A) one and (B) the Obligor Par Amount for the obligor *divided* by the Average Par Amount. For purposes of calculating the Equivalent Unit Score, any issuers Affiliated with one another shall be considered one issuer (other than obligors that the Servicer reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(iv) An "**Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score**" is then calculated for each of the Moody's industrial classification groups by summing the Equivalent Unit Scores for each obligor in the industry.

(v) An "**Industry Diversity Score**" is then established by reference to the Diversity Score Table shown below for the related Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score. If any Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score falls between any two the scores then the applicable Industry Diversity Score shall be the lower of the two Industry Diversity Scores in the Diversity Score Table.

The Diversity Score for any Structured Finance Obligation that is (i) a collateralized loan obligation, (ii) any Synthetic Security with respect to which the Reference Obligation is a collateralized loan obligation or (iii) any Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, is equal to zero.



## DIVERSITY SCORE TABLE

<u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u>	<u>Diversity Score</u>	<u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u>	<u>Diversity Score</u>	<u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u>	<u>Diversity Score</u>	<u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u>	<u>Diversity Score</u>
0.0000	0.0000	5.0500	2.7000	10.1500	4.0200	15.2500	4.5300
0.0500	0.1000	5.1500	2.7333	10.2500	4.0300	15.3500	4.5400
0.1500	0.2000	5.2500	2.7667	10.3500	4.0400	15.4500	4.5500
0.2500	0.3000	5.3500	2.8000	10.4500	4.0500	15.5500	4.5600
0.3500	0.4000	5.4500	2.8333	10.5500	4.0600	15.6500	4.5700
0.4500	0.5000	5.5500	2.8667	10.6500	4.0700	15.7500	4.5800
0.5500	0.6000	5.6500	2.9000	10.7500	4.0800	15.8500	4.5900
0.6500	0.7000	5.7500	2.9333	10.8500	4.0900	15.9500	4.6000
0.7500	0.8000	5.8500	2.9667	10.9500	4.1000	16.0500	4.6100
0.8500	0.9000	5.9500	3.0000	11.0500	4.1100	16.1500	4.6200
0.9500	1.0000	6.0500	3.0250	11.1500	4.1200	16.2500	4.6300
1.0500	1.0500	6.1500	3.0500	11.2500	4.1300	16.3500	4.6400
1.1500	1.1000	6.2500	3.0750	11.3500	4.1400	16.4500	4.6500
1.2500	1.1500	6.3500	3.1000	11.4500	4.1500	16.5500	4.6600
1.3500	1.2000	6.4500	3.1250	11.5500	4.1600	16.6500	4.6700
1.4500	1.2500	6.5500	3.1500	11.6500	4.1700	16.7500	4.6800
1.5500	1.3000	6.6500	3.1750	11.7500	4.1800	16.8500	4.6900
1.6500	1.3500	6.7500	3.2000	11.8500	4.1900	16.9500	4.7000
1.7500	1.4000	6.8500	3.2250	11.9500	4.2000	17.0500	4.7100
1.8500	1.4500	6.9500	3.2500	12.0500	4.2100	17.1500	4.7200
1.9500	1.5000	7.0500	3.2750	12.1500	4.2200	17.2500	4.7300
2.0500	1.5500	7.1500	3.3000	12.2500	4.2300	17.3500	4.7400
2.1500	1.6000	7.2500	3.3250	12.3500	4.2400	17.4500	4.7500
2.2500	1.6500	7.3500	3.3500	12.4500	4.2500	17.5500	4.7600
2.3500	1.7000	7.4500	3.3750	12.5500	4.2600	17.6500	4.7700
2.4500	1.7500	7.5500	3.4000	12.6500	4.2700	17.7500	4.7800
2.5500	1.8000	7.6500	3.4250	12.7500	4.2800	17.8500	4.7900
2.6500	1.8500	7.7500	3.4500	12.8500	4.2900	17.9500	4.8000
2.7500	1.9000	7.8500	3.4750	12.9500	4.3000	18.0500	4.8100
2.8500	1.9500	7.9500	3.5000	13.0500	4.3100	18.1500	4.8200
2.9500	2.0000	8.0500	3.5250	13.1500	4.3200	18.2500	4.8300
3.0500	2.0333	8.1500	3.5500	13.2500	4.3300	18.3500	4.8400
3.1500	2.0667	8.2500	3.5750	13.3500	4.3400	18.4500	4.8500
3.2500	2.1000	8.3500	3.6000	13.4500	4.3500	18.5500	4.8600
3.3500	2.1333	8.4500	3.6250	13.5500	4.3600	18.6500	4.8700
3.4500	2.1667	8.5500	3.6500	13.6500	4.3700	18.7500	4.8800
3.5500	2.2000	8.6500	3.6750	13.7500	4.3800	18.8500	4.8900
3.6500	2.2333	8.7500	3.7000	13.8500	4.3900	18.9500	4.9000
3.7500	2.2667	8.8500	3.7250	13.9500	4.4000	19.0500	4.9100
3.8500	2.3000	8.9500	3.7500	14.0500	4.4100	19.1500	4.9200
3.9500	2.3333	9.0500	3.7750	14.1500	4.4200	19.2500	4.9300
4.0500	2.3667	9.1500	3.8000	14.2500	4.4300	19.3500	4.9400
4.1500	2.4000	9.2500	3.8250	14.3500	4.4400	19.4500	4.9500
4.2500	2.4333	9.3500	3.8500	14.4500	4.4500	19.5500	4.9600
4.3500	2.4667	9.4500	3.8750	14.5500	4.4600	19.6500	4.9700
4.4500	2.5000	9.5500	3.9000	14.6500	4.4700	19.7500	4.9800
4.5500	2.5333	9.6500	3.9250	14.7500	4.4800	19.8500	4.9900
4.6500	2.5667	9.7500	3.9500	14.8500	4.4900	19.9500	5.0000
4.7500	2.6000	9.8500	3.9750	14.9500	4.5000		
4.8500	2.6333	9.9500	4.0000	15.0500	4.5100		
4.9500	2.6667	10.0500	4.0100	15.1500	4.5200		

Schedule 5**Moody's Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates**

The Moody's Recovery Rate for a Structured Finance Obligation will be the applicable rate set forth below based on the appropriate sector as categorized by Moody's:

**Diversified Securities** primarily include (1) Automobile Securities; (2) Car Rental Receivable Securities; (3) Credit Card Securities; (4) Student Loan Securities

**Residential Securities** primarily include (1) Home Equity Loan Securities; (2) Manufactured Housing Securities; (3) Residential A Mortgage Securities; (4) Residential B/C Mortgage Securities

**Undiversified Securities** primarily include (1) CMBS Conduit; (2) CMBS Credit Tenant Lease; (3) CMBS Large Loan; (4) those ABS Sectors not included in Diversified Securities

**Collateralized Debt Obligations** include (1) High-diversity CDOs (Diversity Score in excess of 20); (2) Low-Diversity CDOs (Diversity Score of 20 or less)

**Diversified Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	70%	60%	50%	40%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	60%	50%	40%	30%
<=10%	70%	65%	55%	45%	35%	25%

**Residential Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10% >5%	65%	55%	45%	40%	30%	20%
<=5% >2%	55%	45%	40%	35%	25%	15%
<=2%	45%	35%	30%	25%	15%	10%

**Undiversified Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10% >5%	65%	55%	45%	35%	25%	15%
<=5% >2%	55%	45%	35%	30%	20%	10%
<=2%	45%	35%	25%	20%	10%	5%

**High Diversity Collateralized Debt Obligations**

	<u>Initial Rating of Underlying Asset</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	60%	50%	40%	25%
<=10% >5%	65%	55%	50%	40%	30%	20%
<=5% >2%	55%	45%	40%	35%	25%	10%
<=2%	45%	35%	30%	25%	10%	5%

**Low Diversity Collateralized Debt Obligations**

	<u>Initial Rating of Underlying Asset</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	80%	75%	60%	50%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	70%	60%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10% >5%	60%	50%	45%	35%	25%	15%
<=5% >2%	50%	40%	35%	30%	20%	10%
<=2%	30%	25%	20%	15%	7%	4%

(1) Initial par amount of tranche to which Structured Finance Obligation relates **divided by** initial par amount of total securities issued by Structured Finance Obligation issuer.

Schedule 6**S&P Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates\***RATING OF A CLASS OF NOTES AT THE TIME OF COMMITMENT TO  
PURCHASE**Structured Finance  
Obligation Rating\***

Senior Asset Class	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC
AAA	80.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
AA	70.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
A	60.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
BBB	50.0%	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%
Junior Asset Class	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC
AAA	65.0%	70.0%	80.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%
AA	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
A	40.0%	45.0%	55.0%	65.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
BBB	30.0%	35.0%	40.0%	45.0%	50.0%	60.0%	70.0%
BB	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	25.0%	35.0%	40.0%	50.0%
B	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%	10.0%	10.0%	20.0%	25.0%
CCC	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%

\* If the Structured Finance Obligation is (x) a collateralized debt obligation backed by project finance securities, asset-backed securities, structured finance or real estate securities, distressed debt or other collateralized debt obligations; (y) a market value collateralized debt obligation; or (z) a synthetic collateralized debt obligation, the recovery rate will be assigned by S&P at the time of acquisition.

Schedule 7**Certain Defined Terms Relating to S&P Rating and Moody's Rating**

**"Assigned Moody's Rating"**: The monitored publicly available rating or the monitored estimated rating expressly assigned to a debt obligation (or facility) by Moody's that addresses the full amount of the principal and interest promised.

**"Moody's Default Probability Rating"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (a) with respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:
  - (i) if the Loan's obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, such corporate family rating; and
  - (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Obligation Rating of such Loan;
  - (iii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, the rating that is one subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating;
- (b) with respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a High-Yield Bond, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating of such Collateral Obligation;
- (c) with respect to a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the rating that is one rating subcategory below the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof;
- (d) with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof or, if the obligation does not have an Assigned Moody's Rating but has a rating by S&P, then the Moody's Default Probability Rating shall be:
  - (i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher, or
  - (ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; and
- (e) with respect to a Synthetic Security, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down (if on watch for downgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories or adjusted up (if on watch for upgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories. For purposes of any calculation under this Indenture, if a Moody's Default Probability Rating is withdrawn by Moody's with respect to a Collateral Obligation and if the Issuer, or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, has applied for a rating estimate from Moody's with respect to such Collateral Obligation, the Issuer will continue using the latest Moody's Default Probability Rating available immediately prior to such withdrawal pending receipt of such rating estimate from Moody's; provided, however, that if a Moody's Default Probability Rating is withdrawn and neither the Issuer, nor the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, have applied for a rating estimate, the provisions of this Schedule 7 with respect to Collateral Obligations whose ratings have been withdrawn will be followed.

**"Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation that is a Loan or bond and the obligor thereof, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (a) if the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating;
- (b) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's "Issuer Rating" (as defined by Moody's) for the obligor;
- (c) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, then
  - (i) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "B3" (and, if rated "B3", not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one rating subcategory higher than such Assigned Moody's Rating, or
  - (ii) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "B3" (or rated "B3" and on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be such Assigned Moody's Rating;
- (d) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, then:
  - (i) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "Caa3" (and, if rated "Caa3", not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one subcategory below such Assigned Moody's Rating, or
  - (ii) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "Caa3" (or rated "Caa3" and on watch for downgrade), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be "C";
- (e) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but such obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be one rating subcategory below such corporate family rating;
- (f) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be:
  - (i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher,
  - (ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; or
  - (iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating no lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or High-Yield Bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause

(f)(iii), or clause (g)(iii) or (h)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(g) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (c) above; or

(iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or High-Yield Bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (g)(iii), or clauses (f)(iii) or (h)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(h) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (d) above; or

(iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or High-Yield Bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (h)(iii), or clauses (f)(iii) or (g)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(i) if the preceding clauses do not apply and each of the following clauses (i) through (viii) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa1":

(i) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings,

(ii) no debt securities or obligations of the obligor are in default,



(iii) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates has defaulted on any debt during the preceding two years,

(iv) the obligor has been in existence for the preceding five years,

(v) the obligor is current on any cumulative dividends,

(vi) the fixed-charge ratio for the obligor exceeds 125% for each of the preceding two fiscal years and for the most recent quarter,

(vii) the obligor had a net profit before tax in the past fiscal year and the most recent quarter, and

(viii) the annual financial statements of such obligor are unqualified and certified by a firm of Independent accountants of international reputation, and quarterly statements are unaudited but signed by a corporate officer;

(j) if the preceding clauses do not apply but each of the following clauses (i) and (ii) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa3":

(i) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings; and

(ii) no debt security or obligation of such obligor has been in default during the past two years; and

(k) if the preceding clauses do not apply and a debt security or obligation of the obligor has been in default during the past two years, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Ca."

Notwithstanding the foregoing, not more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may consist of Relevant Obligations given a Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating based on a rating given by S&P as provided in clauses (f), (g) and (h) above.

**"Moody's Obligation Rating":** With respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

(a) With respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:

(i) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the rating that is one rating subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and

(b) With respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a High-Yield Bond:

(i) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and

(c) With respect to a Synthetic Security or a DIP Loan, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Obligation Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

**"Moody's Rating"**: The Moody's Default Probability Rating; provided that, with respect to the Collateral Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or any successor to it ceases to provide rating services, references to rating categories of Moody's in this Indenture shall be deemed instead to be references to the equivalent categories of any other nationally recognized investment rating agency selected by the Servicer, as of the most recent date on which such other rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which such alternative rating agency is used. If no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's, then the Servicer may apply to Moody's for a Moody's credit rating estimate, which will be its Moody's Rating; provided that, on or prior to each one-year anniversary of the acquisition of any such Collateral Obligation, the Issuer shall submit to Moody's a request for a Moody's credit rating estimate for such Collateral Obligation, which shall be its Moody's Rating, together with all information reasonably required by Moody's to perform such estimate.

**"S&P Rating"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following methodology:

(i) If there is an issuer credit rating of the borrower of the Collateral Obligation (the **"Borrower"**), or the guarantor who unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the Collateral Obligation (the **"Guarantor"**) by S&P, the most current issuer credit rating for such Borrower or Guarantor (provided that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating);

(ii) (a) if there is not an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation will be one subcategory below such rating; (b) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior unsecured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be such rating; and (c) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a subordinated obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be two subcategories above such rating if such rating is "BBB-" or higher and will be one subcategory above such rating if such rating is "BB+" or lower (provided that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating); or

(iii) if there is neither an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P nor a rating by S&P on an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating may be determined using any one of the methods below:

(A) if an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is publicly rated by Moody's, then the S&P Rating will be determined in accordance with the methodologies for establishing the Moody's Default Probability Rating, except that the S&P Rating of such obligation will be (1) one subcategory below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Baa3" or higher by Moody's and (2) two subcategories below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Ba1" or lower by Moody's; provided that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may be given a S&P Rating based on a rating given by Moody's as provided in this subclause (a) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable); or

(B) if no security or obligation of the issuer or obligor is rated by S&P or Moody's, and the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer has applied to S&P for a rating estimate and provided all relevant Information to S&P (at [Credit\\_estimates@sandp.com](mailto:Credit_estimates@sandp.com)) within 30 days of the acquisition (or, if such application is caused as a result of a rating withdrawal by S&P or Moody's, as applicable, the withdrawal of the rating by S&P or Moody's, as applicable) of such security or obligation, such security or obligation, pending receipt from S&P of such rating estimate, shall have an S&P Rating as determined by the Servicer in its commercially reasonable judgment; provided that, if the Servicer does not submit all relevant Information within 30 days of such acquisition or rating withdrawal, as applicable, of such security or obligation, (x) S&P shall endeavor to provide a rating estimate as soon as reasonably practical upon receipt of all relevant Information, (y) during a period of 90 days (or such longer period as agreed to by S&P pursuant to a request made by the Servicer) from the date of such acquisition or rating withdrawal, as applicable, and pending receipt from S&P of a rating estimate, such security or obligation shall have an S&P Rating as determined by the Servicer in its commercially reasonable judgment and (z) if S&P does not provide a rating estimate within 90 days (or such longer period as agreed by S&P pursuant to a request made by the Servicer) of the date of such acquisition or rating withdrawal, as applicable, of such security or obligation, such security or obligation shall be treated as rated "CCC-" by S&P until such time as S&P provides a credit estimate; and

(C) any reference in this definition to an S&P rating estimate or estimated rating must be such rating provided by S&P in writing and any such rating shall expire after one year of its provision by S&P. The Servicer may re-apply for a credit estimate within 30 days prior to the expiration of such credit estimate, subject to the procedures specified in subclause (iii)(B) above; provided that, if an obligation identical to a Collateral Obligation is held in another fund managed by the Servicer and an estimated rating has been assigned by S&P to such obligation held in such other fund (and such estimated rating has not yet expired), such estimated rating, upon request by the Servicer to S&P, shall be applicable to the Collateral Obligation held by the Trustee under this Indenture;

provided that if (i) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any positive "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be increased by one rating subcategory or (ii) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any negative "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be decreased by one rating subcategory.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the S&P Rating shall be (A) the rating assigned thereto by S&P if the rating is public, (B) the rating assigned by S&P if the rating is confidential, but only if all appropriate parties have provided written consent to its disclosure and use, (C) the rating assigned by S&P thereto through an estimated rating or (D) the rating assigned thereto by S&P in connection with the acquisition thereof upon the request of the Servicer. In the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a PIK Security, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Securities, the S&P Rating may not be determined pursuant to clause (iii)(A) above.

S&P Ratings for entities or obligations relevant hereunder other than Borrowers and Collateral Obligations shall be determined in a corresponding manner.

**"Information":** S&P's "Credit Estimate Information Requirements" dated June 2007 and any other information S&P reasonably requests in order to produce a credit estimate for a Collateral Obligation.

Exhibit A-1

**Form of Senior Note**

Exhibit A-2

**Form of Class E Note**

Exhibit B-1

**Form of Senior Note Transferee Certificate**

Exhibit B-2

**Form of Senior Note Transferor Certificate for Regulation S to Rule 144A Transfer**

Exhibit B-3

**Form of Senior Note Transferor Certificate for Rule 144A to Regulation S Transfer**



Exhibit B-4

**Form of Class E Note Transferee Certificate**

Exhibit B-5

**Form of Benefit Plan Investor and Affected Bank Certificate**

Exhibit C

**Form of McKee Nelson LLP Opinion**

Exhibit D

**Form of Maples and Calder Opinion**

Exhibit E

**Form of Nixon Peabody LLP Opinion**

Exhibit F

**Form of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP Opinion**

Exhibit G-1

**Form of Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice**

Exhibit G-2

**Form of Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice**



Exhibit H

**Form of Beneficial Owner Certificate**

Exhibit I

**Form of Extension Notice**

Exhibit J

**Form of Insurer Notice**

## **EXHIBIT DD**

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**PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENCY AGREEMENT**

As of December 20, 2007

State Street Bank and Trust Company,  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent  
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Mailcode: EUC 108  
Boston, MA 02116

Maples Finance Limited,  
as Share Registrar  
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George Town, Grand Cayman  
Cayman Islands

Ladies and Gentlemen:

THIS PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENCY AGREEMENT, dated as of December 20, 2007 (this "**Agreement**") is entered into between Greenbriar CLO, Ltd., a company existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the "**Issuer**") and State Street Bank and Trust Company ("**State Street**"), as preference shares paying agent (the "**Preference Shares Paying Agent**") for the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares issued by the Issuer (collectively, the "**Preference Shares**") and Maples Finance Limited as share registrar (the "**Share Registrar**") for the shares (including the Preference Shares) issued by the Issuer. The Issuer hereby appoints State Street as Preference Shares Paying Agent under the terms set forth below and confirms State Street's agreement to distribute any funds to be paid to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Priority of Payments set forth in the Indenture (as defined herein). Reference is also made to the indenture, dated as of December 20, 2007, among the Issuer, Greenbriar CLO Corp. (the "**Co-Issuer**") and State Street, as trustee (the "**Indenture**"). Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings assigned thereto in the Indenture or, if not defined therein, certain resolutions passed at a meeting of the Issuer's Board of Directors that was held on December 19, 2007, as reflected in the minutes thereof, including Annex A ("**Annex A**") therein (the "**Resolutions**" and, together with this Agreement and the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the "**Preference Share Documents**"). The Preference Shares will be issued, and may be transferred, subject to the procedures set forth in Annex A to the Resolutions the terms of which are incorporated hereto.

On the Closing Date, (i) all of the Class I Preference Shares will be offered and sold directly by the Issuer to Highland CDO Opportunity Master Fund, L.P. (an Affiliate of the Servicer) and/or one or more of its subsidiaries and (ii) all of the Class II Preference Shares will be offered and sold by the Issuer directly to Highland CDO Trust ("**HCT**") (an Affiliate of Highland Financial Partners) and/or one or more of its subsidiaries.

Section 1. Notice of Distribution to Directors. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, promptly after receipt of the Valuation Report, shall forward or make available to the directors of

the Issuer (as identified to it by the Issuer) the Valuation Report which identifies the Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds, payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares on the applicable Payment Date.

Section 2. Payments of Dividends and Other Distributions, Amounts Not Distributable. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, subject to paragraphs (b), (c), (d) and (e) below, pay or cause to be paid, on behalf of the Issuer on each applicable Payment Date, the Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds received from the Trustee to the Holders of the Preference Shares as a distribution of dividends on such Payment Date. Such distributions of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds by way of dividends to the Holders of Preference Shares shall be paid *pro rata* in the proportion that the number of Preference Shares held by each such Holder bears to the total number of Preference Shares. The Issuer, or the Share Registrar on its behalf, shall provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with a copy of the share register of the Issuer on the Closing Date and thereafter, the Share Registrar will promptly notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent of any changes to the share register of the Issuer. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall notify the Issuer and the Share Registrar of any transfers of Preference Shares known to it.

(b) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, distributions of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds by way of dividends to the Holders of Preference Shares on any Payment Date shall (i) be subject to the Issuer being solvent under Cayman Islands law (defined as the Issuer being able to pay its debts as they become due in the ordinary course of business) immediately prior to, and after giving effect to, such payment as determined by the Issuer and (ii) be made only to the extent that the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium out of which to make such payment as determined by the Issuer. If the Issuer determines that the conditions set forth in either clause (i) or (ii) above are not satisfied with respect to any portion of Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds payable on such Payment Date, the Issuer shall instruct the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing not later than one Business Day prior to such Payment Date that such portion of Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds, as applicable, should not be paid, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not pay the same, to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the first succeeding Payment Date, or (in the case of any payments which would otherwise be payable on the Redemption Date or any Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) until the first succeeding Business Day, upon which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing that each such condition is satisfied, at which time the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall distribute such amounts. To the extent available, distributions shall be made first out of distributable profits for the current Due Period, then out of distributable profits in excess of dividends for prior Due Periods and then out of share premium.

(c) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, distributions of the Redemption Price by way of redemption of the Preference Shares shall be subject to the Issuer being solvent under Cayman Islands law (defined as the Issuer being able to pay its debts as they become due in the ordinary course of business) immediately prior to, and after giving effect to, such distribution as determined by the Issuer. For purposes of this subsection (c), a determination as to whether the Issuer is solvent on the Redemption Date shall be made by the Issuer (A) after giving effect to any payments to be made on such Redemption Date and (B) in light of the fact that the obligations of the Issuer to the Holders of the Notes, the other Secured Parties and the other Persons subject to the Priority of Payments are limited in recourse to the Collateral, and not to amounts (i) in the Preference Shares Distribution Account, (ii) any other amounts released from the Collateral in accordance with the Indenture and held by or on behalf of the Issuer for the benefit of the Holders of the Preference Shares or (iii) amounts on deposit in the Issuer's bank account in the Cayman Islands, and that after the assets in the Collateral are exhausted, such parties will have no further claim against the Issuer. If the Issuer determines that such condition is not satisfied on a Redemption Date with respect to any portion of the Redemption Price, the Issuer shall instruct the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing not later than one Business Day prior to such Redemption Date that such portion should not be distributed, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent

shall not distribute the same, to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the first succeeding Business Day upon which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing that such condition is satisfied, and the amounts so retained in the Preference Shares Distribution Account will be held therein until such amounts are paid.

(d) On each Payment Date, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall distribute, on behalf of the Issuer, amounts, if any, received by it from the Trustee, which are then on deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account pursuant to Section 10.3(i) of the Indenture for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as the Class II Preference Share Special Payment.

(e) Dividends to the Holders of the Preference Shares (other than Class II Preference Share Special Payments) may be paid, in whole or in part on any Payment Date, with any Eligible Equity Securities held by, or on behalf of, the Issuer at such time in lieu of a distribution of Interest Proceeds. The Servicer, on behalf the Issuer, shall have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute any Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares (as identified to the Trustee by the Preference Shares Paying Agent) with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be due and payable on such Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to any such Payment Date shall be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be increased accordingly.

(f) Anything in this Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding, the Holders of the Preference Shares acknowledge and agree for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes that the rights of the Holders of the Preference Shares to distributions by the Issuer and in and to the assets of the Issuer in respect of such Preference Shares, shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes, to the extent and in the manner set forth in the Indenture including as set forth in Section 11.1 thereof and as required by law. If any Event of Default has occurred and has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs in accordance with Article V of the Indenture, the Notes shall be paid in full in Cash before any further payment or distribution is made on account of the Preference Shares. The Holders of the Preference Shares agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes, not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer for failure to pay to them amounts due under the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association or hereunder in respect of the Preference Shares or payable under the Indenture prior to the date which is one year and one day (or, if longer, the applicable preference period) after the payment in full of principal of and interest on the Notes.

(g) In the event that notwithstanding the provisions of this Agreement or the Indenture, any Holder of any Preference Shares shall have received any payment or distribution in respect of such Preference Shares contrary to the provisions of this Agreement, the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association or the Indenture, then, unless and until (i) the Class A Notes, (ii) the Class B Notes, (iii) the Class C Notes, (iv) the Class D Notes and (v) the Class E Notes shall have been paid in full in Cash (or to the extent that a Majority of each Class of Notes consents, other than Cash) in accordance with the Indenture, such payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, for payment and delivery of the same to the Holders of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the

Class E Notes, as the case may be, in accordance with the Indenture; provided, however, that if any such payment or distribution is made other than in Cash, it shall be paid over and delivered to the Trustee such that it may be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral pursuant to, and subject in all respects to, the provisions of the Indenture, including Section 13.1 thereof.

Section 3. Payments and Redemption. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall make payments or distributions (other than distributions of Eligible Equity Securities) to each registered Holder on the relevant Record Date by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a U.S. Dollar account maintained by such Holder as notified to the Preference Shares Paying Agent or, in the absence of such notification, by U.S. Dollar check mailed to such Holder at its address of record. The Issuer shall, or shall ensure that the Share Registrar will, provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with all relevant information regarding the registered Holders of the Preference Shares as the Preference Shares Paying Agent may reasonably require to the extent such information is in possession or control of the Issuer or Share Registrar.

(b) If the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, desires to make distributions of Eligible Equity Securities on any Payment Date in lieu of Interest Proceeds that are otherwise available for distribution to the Holders of Preference Shares on such Payment Date pursuant to the Priority of Payments and as described in Section 2(e) above, the Servicer shall notify the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Servicing Agreement not later than 20 calendar days prior to such Payment Date and provide the Trustee, the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding on the Record Date or promptly thereafter, but in no event later than two Business Days after the Record Date, to each Holder of the Preference Shares registered as such on the Record Date for such Payment Date) with (i) details of the Eligible Equity Securities to be distributed, (ii) the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities determined as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date, (iii) any other information considered necessary by the Servicer in connection with such proposed distribution and (iv) any information as otherwise required by the Trustee and/or the Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such proposed distribution. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall then mail such materials, within two Business Days of its receipt thereof from the Servicer, to each registered Holder of Preference Shares on the Record Date for such Payment Date along with a form of notice and consent (in a form attached hereto in Schedule I) seeking the written consent of each such Holder of Preference Shares to distribute such Eligible Equity Securities to such Holder in lieu of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date. Each Holder of the Preference Shares wishing to receive such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of a distribution of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such applicable Payment Date (each such Holder with respect to such Payment Date, a "**Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares**") is required to deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent a written consent (which consent will be irrevocable) no later than five Business Days prior to such Payment Date. If any Holder of Preference Shares does not timely deliver its written consent to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in the manner set forth in such notice indicating its consent to the receipt of such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of a distribution of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date, such Holder shall be deemed to have not given its consent and shall not be a Consenting Holder of Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. On each applicable Payment Date (or as soon thereafter as reasonably practicable), Eligible Equity Securities shall be distributed *pro rata* to each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. Each Holder of Preference Shares that is not a Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares (and, for the avoidance of doubt, each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares to the extent the Market Value as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date of the *pro rata* portion of Eligible Equity Securities distributed to it on such Payment Date is less than the *pro rata* portion of the Interest Proceeds that it would have received on such Payment Date had the Eligible Equity Securities not been distributed on such Payment Date) on any applicable Payment



Date shall receive a distribution of Interest Proceeds to the extent available in accordance with the Priority of Payments on such Payment Date in accordance with Section 2(e) herein and the Indenture.

(c) The Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be obligated to pay any additional amounts to Holders or beneficial owners of the Preference Shares as a result of any withholding or deduction for, or on account of, any present or future taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges. As a condition to payment of any amount, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, may require certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments or distributions in respect of Preference Shares under any present or future law or regulation of the United States or any present or future law or regulation of any political subdivision thereof or taxing authority therein or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under such law or regulation. Amounts properly withheld under the Code by any Person from a payment or distribution to a Holder of Preference Shares shall be considered as having been paid by the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent to such Holder for all purposes herein. The Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereby provide notice to each Holder or beneficial owner of the Preference Shares that the failure to provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with appropriate tax certifications will result in amounts being withheld from payments to such Holders or beneficial owners of the Preference Shares under this Agreement (provided that amounts withheld pursuant to applicable tax laws shall be considered as having been paid by the Issuer as provided herein).

(d) The Issuer, the Share Registrar and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem and treat the Holder of any Preference Shares as the absolute owner of such Preference Shares, notwithstanding any notation of ownership or other writing on any certificate representing such Preference Shares, for the purpose of paying dividends and other distributions thereon, and for all other purposes, and none of the Issuer, the Share Registrar or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be affected by any notice to the contrary. All such payments (including distributions of Eligible Equity Securities) so made to such Holder or upon such Holder's order shall be valid and, to the extent of the sum or sums so paid, effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability for the monies payable upon any such Preference Share.

(e) All payments by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder shall be made without charging any commission or fee to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

(f) On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Issuer shall redeem the Preference Shares for a redemption price equal to all amounts distributable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Priority of Payments set forth in the Indenture, unless the Preference Shares have been redeemed earlier through an optional redemption or otherwise. Upon final payment due on the Preference Shares (whether on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date or any earlier Redemption Date), the Holder thereof shall present and surrender the certificates, if any, representing the Preference Shares at the office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent on or prior to such final payment date. On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, all payments on redemption of Preference Shares to the Holders of the Preference Shares shall be made *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings.

Notice of final payment of the Preference Shares pursuant to an optional redemption in conjunction with an optional redemption of the Notes shall be given as set forth in Section 9.3 of the Indenture. Notice of any other final payment shall be given by the Preference Shares Paying Agent by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days nor earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date to each Holder of Preference Shares at such Holder's address as set forth in the share register of the Issuer.

All notices of redemption shall state:

- (i) the Redemption Date on which the Preference Shares are to be redeemed;
- (ii) the applicable Redemption Price for the Preference Shares being redeemed;
- (iii) the place or places where such Preference Shares to be redeemed are to be surrendered for payment of the applicable Redemption Price, which shall be the office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent; and
- (iv) in the case of an optional redemption, the latest possible date upon which such notice of redemption may be withdrawn.

The Issuer shall have the option to withdraw any such notice of redemption up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Trustee, the Servicer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) only if (i) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) of the Indenture, the Servicer does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications required under the Indenture (as described in Section 9.3(c) and 12.1(f) of the Indenture), as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, (ii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i) of the Indenture, the Issuer receives the written direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption delivered by a percentage of the Preference Shares requesting redemption under Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i) of the Indenture, as applicable, or (iii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii) of the Indenture, the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer thereby agrees for the benefit of the directing Holders to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (ii) or this clause (iii)). Notice of any such withdrawal shall be delivered pursuant to Section 9.3 of the Indenture.

Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Preference Shares.

(g) On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, so long as all administrative fees and expenses and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture and all amounts owing under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged:

(i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings, subject to Section 2(b) hereof and Cayman Islands law; or

(ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, voting as a single Class or group, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a

directed portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such direction, subject to Section 2(b) hereof and Cayman Islands law.

(h) If any Holder of Preference Shares desires to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Notes in accordance with Section 9.2(a) of the Indenture, such Holder shall notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Servicer not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made. If the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee and the Issuer receive notice from one or more Holders of Preference Shares holding less than a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, within five Business Days of receipt of such notice, notify the Holders of the Preference Shares (i) of the receipt of such notice and (ii) that any Holder of Preference Shares may join in directing an Optional Redemption by notifying the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing within five Business Days after such Holder's receipt of the Preference Shares Paying Agent's notice. If the Holders of at least a Majority of the Preference Shares direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Notes, the Issuer shall effect an Optional Redemption of the Notes pursuant to the procedures described in the Indenture.

(i) If any Holder of Preference Shares desires to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares after the redemption or repayment of the Notes and in accordance with paragraphs (g)(i) and (ii) above, such Holder shall notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing not later than 30 Business Days (or with the Servicer's consent, not later than 20 Business Days) prior to the proposed Redemption Date (which must be a Payment Date). Upon receiving such notice, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall promptly (and in no event later than two Business Days thereafter) notify the Issuer and each Holder of the Preference Shares thereof. Each Holder of Preference Shares that also wishes to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares must so notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing (and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall promptly notify the Issuer and the Servicer of such direction) within 5 Business Days after receipt of such notice. If the aggregate number of Preference Shares that have directed the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares equals or exceeds the minimum threshold set forth in paragraphs (g)(i) and (ii) above, the Issuer shall effect an optional redemption of the Preference Shares pursuant to the procedures described in the Preference Share Documents. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Preference Shares must be redeemed on or prior to the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. The Preference Shares shall be redeemed from the proceeds of any Collateral remaining after giving effect to the redemption or repayment of the Notes and payment in full of all expenses of the Co-Issuers.

(j) If the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, proposes a Refinancing in accordance with Section 9.7(a) of the Indenture by notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall promptly upon receipt of such notice (and in no event later than two Business Days thereafter) notify each Holder of Preference Shares thereof. Each Holder of Preference Shares that wishes to consent to such Refinancing will deliver such consent to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing no later than 15 days prior to the Refinancing Date. Upon receipt of such consents, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall immediately notify the Servicer whether or not the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares (voting as a single class) have consented to such Refinancing.

Section 4. Preference Shares Distribution Account. (a) On or prior to the Closing Date, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the "Preference Shares Distribution Account" (the "**Preference Shares Distribution Account**") that shall be held in trust in the name of the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the benefit of the Issuer, over which the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall cause the Trustee to make any payment pursuant to the Priority of Payments by wire transfer (or by internal transfer if the Trustee and

the Preference Shares Paying Agent are the same Person) to the Preference Shares Distribution Account in immediately available funds. All sums received by the Preference Shares Paying Agent from the Trustee or the Issuer for payment of dividends or other distributions (other than the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) or the Redemption Price in respect of the Preference Shares shall be deposited promptly in the Preference Shares Distribution Account until the first Payment Date or, in the case of the payment of the Redemption Price in respect of the Preference Shares, the first Business Day, on which, in either case, the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent that such distribution can be made to the Holders of the Preference Shares in accordance with Section 2. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall then apply such funds as provided for in Section 3. All sums payable by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder shall be paid out of the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

(b) Notwithstanding anything herein, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not incur any personal liability to pay amounts due to Holders of the Preference Shares and shall only be required to make payments or other distributions (including the Redemption Price thereof) if there are sufficient monies in the Preference Shares Distribution Account to make such payments or other distributions.

(c) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no right of set off with respect to amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

(d) Amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account that are not paid out may be deposited in an interest-bearing account as directed in writing by the Issuer.

Section 5. Unclaimed Payments. Except as otherwise required by applicable law, any money deposited with the Preference Shares Paying Agent and held in the Preference Shares Distribution Account or otherwise held for payment on any Preference Share and remaining unclaimed for two years after such payment has become due and payable shall be paid to the Issuer upon Issuer Request; and the Holder of such Preference Shares shall thereafter look only to the Issuer for payment of such amounts and all liability of the Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such money (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Issuer) shall thereupon cease. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, before being required to make any such release of payment, may, but shall not be required to, adopt and employ, at the expense of the Issuer any reasonable means of notification of such release of payment, including, but not limited to, arranging with the Share Registrar for the Share Registrar to mail notice of such release to Holders of Preference Shares whose right to or interest in monies due and payable but not claimed is determinable from the records of the Issuer or Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, at the last address of record of each such Holder.

Section 6. Additional Issuance of Preference Shares. (a) At any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the proceeds from such issuance and sale to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or as otherwise permitted under the Preference Share Documents and the Indenture; provided that the following conditions are met: (i) the terms of the Preference Shares issued shall be identical to the terms of previously issued Preference Shares and (ii) the net proceeds of any additional Preference Shares shall be used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations. Such additional Preference Shares may be offered and sold at prices that differ from the initial offering prices of the outstanding Preference Shares; provided that the initial offering prices of additional Preference Shares shall not be below 100% of the face amount thereof. The Issuer shall cause purchases of additional Preference Shares made pursuant to an additional issuance of Preference Shares to comply individually and in the aggregate with the applicable purchase and transfer restrictions for the Preference Shares set forth herein in Section 9 and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

(b) Any additional Preference Shares issued shall, to the extent reasonably practicable, be offered by the Issuer first to the existing Holders of the Preference Shares, in such amounts as are necessary to preserve their *pro rata* holdings of the Preference Shares.

Section 7. Purchase and Redesignation of Preference Shares. (a) Each Holder or beneficial owner of Preference Shares, by its ownership of such Preference Shares, acknowledges and agrees that each Non-Consenting Holder of Preference Shares with respect to an amendment of the Indenture (which includes Holders that fail to respond to a consent solicitation within the applicable period) will be forced to sell its applicable Preference Shares pursuant to Section 9.6 of the Indenture, whereby the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser is permitted to purchase the Preference Shares held by any such Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; provided that if any Non-Consenting Holder holds Class II Preference Shares, such Non-Consenting Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares.

(b) Each Holder or beneficial owner of Preference Shares will have the right to sell such Preference Shares to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser upon a Maturity Extension pursuant to Section 2.4 of the Indenture at the applicable Extension Purchase Price and absent such sale shall be subject to an extension of the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date as set forth in the Indenture and the other aspects of a Maturity Extension under the Indenture; provided that if any Non-Consenting Holder holds Class II Preference Shares, such Non-Consenting Holder shall sell such Class II Preference Shares to the Extension Qualifying Purchaser, and such Preference Shares shall be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares.

(c) The Share Registrar shall record in the register maintained by it those Preference Shares which it has been notified in writing are held by HFP or any of its subsidiaries. Such Preference Shares shall be designated by the Share Registrar on behalf of the Issuer as Class II Preference Shares. The Share Registrar on behalf of the Issuer will redesignate (i) Class II Preference Shares as Class I Preference Shares upon any transfer of such Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to any Person other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries and (ii) Class I Preference Shares as Class II Preference Shares upon any transfer of Class I Preference Shares to HFP or any of its subsidiaries.

Section 8. Execution, Delivery and Dating. The certificates (if required by the Resolutions) relating to the Preference Shares shall be executed on behalf of the Issuer as provided for in the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Agreement, the Issuer may deliver Preference Share certificates (the "**Preference Share Certificates**") executed by the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, upon Issuer Order, shall deliver such Preference Share Certificates as provided in this Agreement and not otherwise.

Each Preference Share Certificate delivered by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to or upon Issuer Order on the Closing Date shall be dated the Closing Date. All other Preference Share Certificates that are delivered after the Closing Date for any other purpose under this Agreement shall be dated the date of their delivery.

Section 9. Registration and Registration of Transfer. (a) When the Preference Shares Paying Agent receives a request for transfer of Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall comply with its obligations as set forth in Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions.

Each purchaser and subsequent transferee of Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares will represent and agree (and each fiduciary acting on behalf of such purchaser or subsequent transferee (both in its fiduciary and corporate capacity) will represent and agree) whether such purchaser or subsequent transferee is (or is not, as applicable) a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person set forth in a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-5 to the Indenture. No Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person will be permitted to purchase Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares, unless such purchaser's or subsequent transferee's acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares, (x) will not cause participation by Benefit Plan Investors to be "significant" within the meaning of the Plan Asset Regulation and (y) (1) in connection with the acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares, the purchaser's or subsequent transferee's fiduciary has determined that such purchaser or subsequent transferee is receiving no less, and paying no more, than "adequate consideration" (within the meaning of Section 408(b)(17)(B) of ERISA and Section 4975(f)(10) of the Code) and (2) such purchaser's or subsequent transferee's acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code. If the purchaser or the subsequent transferee is a governmental, church or other plan that is subject to any Substantially Similar Law, such purchaser or subsequent transferee shall represent and warrant that such purchaser's or subsequent transferee's acquisition, holding and disposition of a Class I Preference Share or a Class II Preference Share will not constitute or result in a non-exempt violation under any such Substantially Similar Law.

In determining whether participation by Benefit Plan Investors is "significant", Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares beneficially held by (1) the Servicer, the Trustee, any of their respective Affiliates, employees of the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates and any charitable foundation of any such employees or (2) persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons, will be disregarded and will not be treated as Outstanding for purposes of whether participation by Benefit Plan Investors is "significant" to the extent that persons listed in (1) or (2) are not Benefit Plan Investors.

The purchaser or the subsequent transferee acknowledges that a transfer of the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares will not be permitted, and no such transfer or exchange will be registered under the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement, to the extent that the transfer or exchange would result in Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such transfer or exchange (determined in accordance with the Plan Asset Regulation and the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement).

If any Person shall become the beneficial owner of an interest in a Class I Preference Share or a Class II Preference Share who has made a Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person representation that is subsequently shown to be false or misleading or whose beneficial ownership otherwise causes a violation of the 25% Limitation (any such person a "**Non-Permitted ERISA Holder**"), the Issuer shall, promptly after discovery that such person is a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (and notice by the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Co-Issuer to the Issuer, if either of them makes the discovery), send notice to such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder demanding that such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder transfer its interest to a person that is not a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder within 14 days of the date of such notice. If such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder fails to so transfer its Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares, the Issuer shall have the right, without further notice to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder, to sell (and shall sell if directed to do so by the Servicer) such Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares or interest in such Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares, to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is not a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder on such terms as the Issuer may choose. The Issuer, or the Preference

Shares Paying Agent acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting one or more bids from one or more brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares and selling such Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares to the highest such bidder. However, the Issuer, or the Preference Shares Paying Agent acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Class I Preference Share or Class II Preference Share, the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder, by its acceptance of an interest in the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares, agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent to effect such transfers. The proceeds of such sale, net of any commissions, expenses and taxes due in connection with such sale shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder. The terms and conditions of any sale under this subsection shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer, and none of the Issuer, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Trustee shall be liable to any Person having an interest in the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of such discretion (including for the price of such sale).

Each purchaser or transferee of Preference Shares will be required to represent and agree that it will not transfer such Preference Shares in violation of any of the foregoing representations and agreements, that any purported transfer that does not comply with such representations and agreements will be null and void *ab initio* and will vest in the transferee no rights against the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Issuer, and that such purchaser or transferee, as applicable, and any fiduciary or other Person causing it to acquire such Preference Shares shall, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Share Paying Agent, the Servicer, the Share Registrar, the Initial Purchaser and their respective affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of any transfer in violation of any of the foregoing.

(b) The Preference Shares Paying Agent agrees that, after the initial distribution of the Preference Shares, neither it nor any of its affiliates will acquire any Preference Shares (including pursuant to a Maturity Extension or the Amendment Buy-Out Option) unless such acquisition would not, as determined by the Trustee (based upon the information contained in the transfer certificates delivered to it pursuant to this Section 9), result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of any of the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such acquisition (determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA, the Plan Asset Regulation, the Indenture, this Agreement and Annex to the Resolutions). The Preference Shares held by the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any of its affiliates (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% limitation to the extent that such person has represented that it is not a Benefit Plan Investor.

(c) Notwithstanding anything else contained herein to the contrary, neither the Preference Shares Paying Agent nor the Share Registrar shall be responsible for ascertaining whether any purchase or transfer complies with the registration provisions of or exemptions from the Securities Act, applicable state laws, the Code, ERISA, the Plan Asset Regulation or the Investment Company Act; provided that if a certificate or other written representation is specifically required by the express terms of this Agreement or Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions to be delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by the purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine whether the same substantially conforms on its face with the terms of this Agreement or Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions, as applicable, and shall promptly notify the party delivering the same if such certificate does not comply with such terms.

(d) The Issuer shall (and shall cause the Share Registrar to) consult the Preference Shares Paying Agent in connection with all transfers of Preference Shares and shall (and shall cause the Share Registrar to) direct all transferors and transferees to correspond through the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Share Registrar will not be required to determine whether any proposed transfer, redemption or other transaction in relation to the Preference Shares complies with any restrictions imposed by law or under the terms of the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents but shall be entitled to rely completely in that respect on the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

(e) Each purchaser and each subsequent transferee of Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares that (i) is not a "United States person" (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) and (ii) is acquiring, directly or in conjunction with affiliates, more than 33 1/3% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares will make a representation to the effect that it is not an Affected Bank set forth in a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-5 to the Indenture.

(f) Except as expressly provided herein or as required by this Agreement in connection with the Preference Shares Paying Agent's obligations to the Holders of Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no obligation to oversee or participate in any such transfer of Preference Shares.

Section 10. Fees and Indemnification. The fee to be paid in connection with the Preference Shares Paying Agent's appointment and duties as Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be paid pursuant to a letter agreement dated December 10, 2007 between the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Servicer, and the Issuer. The fees payable hereunder shall be paid by the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent's account as directed by the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Issuer will indemnify the Preference Shares Paying Agent and its officers, directors, employees and agents, against any loss, liability or expense (including reasonable legal fees and out-of-pocket expenses of counsel) incurred in connection with their appointment and duties hereunder, except such as result from their own gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Preference Shares Paying Agent agrees that such fees and indemnification shall be treated as an Administrative Expense of the Issuer as defined in the Indenture and paid pursuant to the Priority of Payments. Anything in this Agreement notwithstanding, in no event shall the Preference Shares Paying Agent be liable for special, indirect or consequential losses or damages of any kind whatsoever (including but not limited to loss of profits), even if the Preference Shares Paying Agent has been advised of such loss or damage and regardless of the form of action. The obligation of the Issuer to indemnify the Preference Shares Paying Agent under this Section 10 shall survive retirement of the Preference Shares and any resignation or removal of the Preference Shares Paying Agent but shall remain subject to the provisions of Section 23.

Section 11. Liabilities. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be responsible or accountable to anyone for any reason whatsoever with respect to the validity of this Agreement or of the Preference Shares, or for any act done or omitted by it in good faith, or for anything whatsoever in connection with this Agreement, except for its own gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct in the performance of any duty to be performed by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder.

(b) The Preference Shares Paying Agent may consult as to legal matters with lawyers selected with due care by it, who may be employees of or regular independent counsel to the Issuer, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be protected from and shall incur no liability for action taken, or suffered to be taken, with respect to such matters in good faith and in accordance with the opinion or advice of such lawyers.



(c) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be protected from and shall incur no liability for or in respect of any action taken or thing suffered by it in reliance upon any Preference Shares, notice, direction, consent, certificate, affidavit, statement or other paper or document reasonably believed by it to be genuine and to have been delivered or signed by the proper parties, except as may result from its own gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct or that of its directors, officers, employees or agents.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be under any liability for interest on any money at any time received by it pursuant to any of the provisions of this Agreement, except as otherwise agreed in writing with the Issuer.

(e) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not incur any liability with respect to the validity or value of any of the Preference Shares unless otherwise specified herein.

Section 12. Conflicts. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent and its officers, directors and employees may, subject to the restrictions set forth in Section 9, become the Holder of, or acquire any interest in, any Preference Shares, with the same rights that it or they would have if it were not the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder, or they were not such officers, directors, or employees, and may engage or be interested in any fiscal or other transaction with the Issuer and may act on, or as depository, trustee or agent for, any committee or body of Holders of Preference Shares or other indebtedness of the Issuer as freely as if it were not the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder or they were not such officers, directors, or employees.

(b) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be obliged to perform such duties and only such duties as are specifically set forth herein, and no implied duties or obligations shall be read into this Agreement or the Indenture against the Preference Shares Paying Agent. Except for Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions (to the extent they do not contradict this Agreement), the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no duties under Annex A to the Resolutions. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be under any obligation to take any action hereunder that may tend to involve it in any expenses or liability, the payment of which within a reasonable time is not, in its reasonable opinion, assured to it. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be accountable or under any duty or responsibility in case of any default of which the Preference Shares Paying Agent has knowledge by the Issuer in the performance of its obligations contained in the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association and Annex A to the Resolutions (including, without limitation, any duty or responsibility to initiate or attempt to initiate any proceedings at law or otherwise or to make any demand for payment upon the Issuer).

(c) In acting under this Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agent is acting solely as agent of the Issuer and does not assume any obligations to, or relationship of agency or trust for or with any of the owners or Holders of the Preference Shares. All funds held by the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment on the Preference Shares shall be held in trust for the Issuer, until paid.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, as between itself and the Holders of the Preference Shares, with respect to all the obligations, powers, authorities and discretions, vested in it hereunder and under the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association and the Resolutions, have absolute and uncontrolled discretion as to the exercise thereof whether in relation to the manner or as to the mode of and time for the exercise thereof and, in the absence of gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct on its part or that of its officers, directors or employees shall be in no way responsible for any loss, costs, damages or inconvenience that may result from the exercise or non-exercise thereof.

Section 13. Amendment. (a) This Agreement may be amended by the parties hereto, without the consent of the Holders of any Preference Shares, for the purpose of curing any ambiguity, or of curing, correcting or supplementing any defective provision contained herein, or in regard to matters or questions arising under this Agreement as the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem necessary or desirable and which shall not materially adversely affect the interests of Holders of the Preference Shares. In addition, this Agreement may be amended without the consent of any Holders of the Preference Shares and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Preference Shares in order to prevent the Issuer from becoming an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); provided that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such amendment, each of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer shall have received a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such amendment, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

(b) Unless otherwise as set forth in subsection (a) above, this Agreement may be amended with the consent of Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares materially and adversely affected thereby.

(c) Any amendment to this Agreement must be in writing executed by each party hereto.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to its duties and obligations herein) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an opinion of counsel, consent or certificate of the Issuer in determining whether or not any proposed amendment is permitted hereunder.

(e) Any amendment to this Agreement that would necessitate a change to the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association may only be made after a Special Resolution (as therein defined) has been passed to permit the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association to be altered to conform with such proposed amendment.

Section 14. Resignation or Removal of the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Preference Shares Paying Agent may at any time resign as the Preference Shares Paying Agent, by giving written notice to the Issuer of its resignation, specifying the date on which its resignation shall become effective (which date shall not be less than 60 days after the date on which such notice is given unless the Issuer shall agree to a shorter period). The Issuer may remove the Preference Shares Paying Agent at any time by giving written notice of not less than 60 days to the Preference Shares Paying Agent specifying the date on which such removal shall become effective. Such resignation or removal shall only take effect upon the appointment by the Issuer of a successor Preference Shares Paying Agent and upon the acceptance of such appointment by such successor Preference Shares Paying Agent; provided, however, that if the successor Preference Shares Paying Agent has not been appointed within 60 days after such notice of resignation or removal, then the Preference Shares Paying Agent, or any Holder of Preference Shares, may, on behalf of himself and others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Preference Shares Paying Agent; provided, further, that after the retirement of the Notes, if the Issuer determines that no material distributions will be paid on the Preference Shares, the Issuer may remove the Preference Shares Paying Agent at any time, by giving written notice of not less than 10 days, and assume the duties of the Preference Shares Paying Agent itself.

Section 15. Assignment. No party hereto may assign or novate any of its rights or obligations hereunder except with the prior written consent of all the parties hereto.

Section 16. Merger, Conversion, Consolidation or Succession to Business of Preference Shares Paying Agent. Any entity into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any entity resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Preference Shares Paying Agent is a party, or any entity succeeding to all or substantially all of the corporate trust business of the Preference Shares Paying Agent, shall be the successor of the Preference Shares Paying Agent under this Agreement without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto.

Section 17. Reports and Notices. The Issuer hereby authorizes the Preference Shares Paying Agent to deliver or request the Trustee to deliver all Monthly Reports and Valuation Reports (each a "**Report**" and, collectively, "**Reports**") prepared pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver, or shall cause the Trustee to deliver, a copy of any such Report to such Holders within two Business Days of receipt of any such Report. In addition, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver, or shall cause the Trustee to deliver, a copy of any other notice or information that it has received from the Trustee under the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares within two Business Days of receipt of such notice and information. Any notices or information to be delivered by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to this Agreement shall be delivered, in each case, (i) by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to each Holder of a Preference Share at the address appearing in the share register of the Issuer or (ii) with respect to delivery of the Reports, by making such Reports available via its password-protected internet website, initially located at <http://www.cdocalc.com/ibt/cdo/>. All information made available on the Preference Shares Paying Agent's website shall be restricted and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall only provide access to such reports to those parties entitled thereto pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. In connection with providing access to its website, the Preference Shares Paying Agent may require registration and the acceptance of a disclaimer. Questions regarding the Preference Shares Paying Agent's website may be directed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent's customer service desk at (617) 937-4175.

Section 18. Notices. (a) All communications by or on behalf of the Issuer relating to the transfer or payment of Preference Shares or any interest therein shall be directed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent at its address set forth in clause (b)(ii) below. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall mail any notice it receives from the Trustee (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) to the Holders of the Preference Shares on the Business Day it receives such notice.

Where this Agreement provides for notice to Holders of the Preference Shares of any event, such notice shall be sufficiently given (unless otherwise herein expressly provided) if such notice is in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, to each Holder of the Preference Shares affected by such event, at such Holder's address as it appears on the share register of the Issuer, not later than the latest date, and not earlier than the earliest date, prescribed for the giving of such notice.

Neither the failure to mail such notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Holder of Preference Shares shall affect the sufficiency of such notice with respect to other Holders. Any notice that is given in the manner herein provided shall conclusively be presumed to have been duly given whether or not actually received by such Holder. Any notice to Holders of the Preference Shares provided for in this Agreement will be deemed to have been given on the date of mailing.

Where this Agreement provides for notice in any manner, such notice may be waived in writing by any Person entitled to receive such notice, either before or after the event, and such waiver shall be the equivalent of such notice.

In the event that, by reason of the suspension of the regular mail service as a result of a strike, work stoppage or similar activity, it shall be impractical to mail notice of any event to Holders of the Preference Shares when such notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this Agreement, then any manner of giving such notice as shall be satisfactory to the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be deemed to be a sufficient giving of such notice.

(b) Notices and other communications hereunder shall (except to the extent otherwise expressly provided) be in writing and shall be addressed as follows, or to such other addresses as the parties hereto shall specify from time to time:

(i) if to the Issuer:

Greenbriar CLO, Ltd.  
PO Box 1093 GT  
Boundary Hall  
Cricket Square  
George Town, Grand Cayman  
Cayman Islands  
Fax: (345) 945-7100  
Attention: The Directors

(ii) if to the Preference Shares Paying Agent:

State Street Bank and Trust Company  
200 Clarendon Street  
Mailcode: EUC 108  
Boston, MA 02116  
Fax: (617) 937-0517  
Attention: CDO Services Group—Greenbriar CLO

Section 19. Covenants of the Issuer. The Issuer shall not take any action under this Agreement or the Indenture that requires the authorization, direction or consent from the Holders of the Preference Shares without obtaining such authorization, direction or consent from the Holders of the Preference Shares. It shall be the responsibility of the Issuer to satisfy the Preference Shares Paying Agent as to the compliance with the foregoing condition (on which the Preference Shares Paying Agent may rely on in good faith).

Section 20. Transfer of Issuer Ordinary Shares. For so long as any of the Preference Shares are Outstanding, the Issuer shall not agree to the transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares to U.S. Persons (as defined in the Code), and shall not transfer any such Issuer Ordinary Shares to any Person other than a Person which is a resident of the Cayman Islands.

Section 21. Certain Tax Matters. (a) On demand of the Issuer, a Holder or beneficial owner of Preference Shares shall notify the Issuer whether or not the Holder or beneficial owner of such Preference Shares is a United States person within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code and the name and status of such Holder or beneficial owner as an individual, partnership,

corporation, or other entity and such other information as the Issuer shall reasonably request for purposes of tax reporting of the Issuer or other Holders of the Preference Shares.

(b) If the Issuer is aware that it has purchased an interest in a "reportable transaction" within the meaning of Section 6011 of the Code because, after the Closing Date, the Issuer entered into a transaction whereby the Issuer recognized a significant loss or otherwise, and a Holder of the Preference Shares requests information about any such transactions in which the Issuer is a purchaser, the Issuer shall provide such information it has reasonably available as soon as practicable after such request.

(c) The Issuer shall provide or cause to be provided to each Holder or beneficial owner of the Preference Shares (or its designee), upon written request therefor, any information that such Holder or beneficial owner reasonably requests to assist such Holder or beneficial owner with regard to its or its equity owners' U.S. federal income tax filing requirements.

(d) Each Holder and beneficial owner of the Preference Shares agrees to treat the Preference Shares as equity of the Issuer and the Notes as debt of the Issuer for U.S. federal, state and local income tax purposes, if applicable.

(e) The Issuer will not make an election to be treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and will take all necessary actions to maintain its status as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

(f) Within 90 days after December 31 of each calendar year, the Issuer shall (or shall cause its Independent accountants to) provide to each Holder of Preference Shares (i) all information that a U.S. shareholder making a "qualified electing fund" election (as defined in the Code) is required to obtain for U.S. federal income tax purposes and (ii) a "PFIC Annual Information Statement" as described in Treasury Regulation section 1.1295-1 (or any successor Treasury Regulation), including all representations and statements required by such statement, and will take any other reasonable steps necessary to facilitate such election by, and any reporting requirements of, a holder of Preference Shares. Upon request by the Independent accountants, the Share Registrar shall provide to the Independent accountants information contained in the share register of the Issuer and requested by the Independent accountants to comply with this Section 21(f).

(g) The Issuer will provide, upon request of a Holder of Preference Shares, any information that such Holder reasonably requests to assist such Holder with regard to any filing requirements the Holder may have as a result of the controlled foreign corporation rules under the Code.

(h) The Issuer shall treat each purchase of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments as a "purchase" for tax, accounting and reporting purposes.

(i) The Issuer shall file, or cause to be filed, any tax returns, including information tax returns, required by any governmental authority; provided, however, that the Issuer shall not file, or cause to be filed, any income or franchise tax return in the United States or any state thereof except with respect to a return required by a tax imposed under Section 881 of the Code unless it shall have obtained a Tax Opinion of Counsel prior to such filing that, under the laws of such jurisdiction, the Issuer is required to file such income or franchise tax return.

(j) The Issuer shall not conduct its business in contravention of Annex 1 to the Servicing Agreement.

(k) Notwithstanding any contrary agreement or understanding, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Holders' of the Preference Shares (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) are hereby permitted to disclose to any and all Persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement (including the ownership and disposition of the Preference Shares) and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to them relating to such tax treatment and tax structure. For this purpose, the tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction, and the tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction.

(l) Each Holder of Preference Shares, by acceptance of its Preference Shares, shall be deemed to understand and acknowledge that failure to provide the Issuer, the Trustee or the Preference Shares Paying Agent with the applicable U.S. federal income tax certifications (generally, a United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 (or successor applicable form) in the case of a person that is a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code or an appropriate United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 (or successor applicable form) in the case of a person that is not a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) may result in U.S. federal back-up withholding from payments in respect of such Preference Shares.

Section 22. Minimum Lots. Preference Shares must be held in minimum lots of 100 Preference Shares per investor and integral multiples of one Preference Share in excess thereof.

Section 23. Limited Recourse; No Petition. The Preference Shares Paying Agent hereby acknowledges and agrees that the Issuer's obligations hereunder will be solely the corporate obligations of the Issuer, and that the Preference Shares Paying Agent will not have any recourse to any of the directors, officers, employees, shareholders or Affiliates of the Issuer with respect to any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations in connection with any transactions contemplated hereby. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, recourse in respect of any obligations of the Issuer hereunder will be limited to the proceeds of the Collateral, paid pursuant to the Priority of Payments and on the exhaustion thereof all obligations of and all claims against the Issuer arising from this Agreement or any transactions contemplated hereby shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. The Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar, by entering into this Agreement and each Holder of Preference Shares by its acceptance of Preference Shares, hereby covenants and agrees that it will not, prior to the date which is one year and one day (or, if longer, the applicable preference period) after the payment in full of all amounts owing under the Indenture and this Agreement, institute against the Issuer, or voluntarily join in any institution against the Issuer of, any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency or liquidation proceedings, or other proceedings under any United States federal or state bankruptcy or similar law of any jurisdiction within or without the United States in connection with any obligations relating to the Preference Shares or this Agreement. The provisions of this Section 23 shall survive termination of this Agreement for any reason whatsoever.

Section 24. Legal. (a) GOVERNING LAW. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

(b) WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL. EACH OF THE ISSUER AND THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY AND ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, THE PREFERENCE SHARES OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY.

(c) Service of Process. The Issuer irrevocably appoints CT Corporation System (the "**Process Agent**") c/o CT Corporation System, located at 111 Eighth Avenue, 13<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10011, to receive, for it and on its behalf, service of process in any suit, action or proceeding relating to this Agreement. If for any reason the Process Agent is unable to act as such, the Issuer shall promptly notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent and within 30 days appoint a substitute process agent acceptable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

Section 25. Signatures. This Agreement may be signed in two or more counterparts with the same effect as if the signatures thereto and hereto were upon the same instrument. A facsimile signature shall be considered due execution and shall be binding upon the signatory thereto with the same force and effect as if the signature were an original.

Section 26. Voting. The Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares will be identical in all respects except that the Class II Preference Shares will also be entitled, subject to any restrictions under Cayman Islands law, to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments and will have voting rights with respect to the directors of the Issuer as set forth in the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association. Unless otherwise specified herein or in the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association, Holders of Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares shall vote together as a single class.

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Please indicate your acceptance of this appointment and the terms of this Agreement by signing and returning the enclosed copy of this Agreement. The Issuer by signing this Agreement confirms its agreement to the terms stated herein.

Very truly yours,

GREENBRIAR CLO, LTD.  
as Issuer

By: 

Name: Chris Marett  
Title: DIRECTOR

Accepted and agreed to on this \_\_\_\_ day of December, 2007.

STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY,  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent

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



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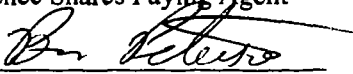
Very truly yours,

GREENBRIAR CLO, LTD.  
as Issuer

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

Accepted and agreed to on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2007.

STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY,  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent

By: 

Name  
Title: **Brian Peterson**  
**Director**

Accepted and agreed to on this 26<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2007.

MAPLES FINANCE LIMITED

By: 

Name Martin Couch

Title: SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT

**SCHEDULE I**

**Notice of Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Holder

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

Attention: \_\_\_\_\_

Copy:

Greenbriar CLO, Ltd.  
P.O. Box 1093 GT  
Boundary Hall  
Cricket Square  
George Town, Grand Cayman  
Cayman Islands  
Attention: The Directors

Re: Greenbriar CLO, Ltd.  
Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of Interest  
Proceeds

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This letter is to inform you that Highland Capital Management, L.P., in its capacity as servicer (the "**Servicer**") with respect to that certain servicing agreement, dated as of December 20, 2007, by and between Greenbriar CLO, Ltd. (the "**Issuer**") and the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, would like to distribute Eligible Equity Securities on the Payment Date of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_ to the Holders of the Preference Shares in lieu of the Interest Proceeds, in whole or in part, that are otherwise due and payable to such Holders on such Payment Date. Such Eligible Equity Securities will be distributed in accordance with Sections 2(e) and 3(b) of that certain paying agency agreement, dated as of December 20, 2007 (the "**Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement**"), by and among the Issuer, State Street Bank and Trust Company, in its capacity as preference shares paying agent (the "**Preference Shares Paying Agent**") and Section 11.1(a)(i) of that certain indenture, dated as of December 20, 2007, by and among the Issuer, Greenbriar CLO Corp. and State Street Bank and Trust Company, in its capacity as trustee (the "**Trustee**"). Any capitalized terms used without definition herein are used with the meanings assigned to such terms in the Indenture.

Details with respect to the proposed distribution of such Eligible Equity Securities are attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Each Holder of the Preference Shares wishing to receive such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder (each such Holder, a "**Consenting Holder**") must deliver the consent notice attached hereto as Exhibit B (the "**Consent Notice**") to the Preference Shares Paying Agent not later than five Business Days prior to such Payment Date. Each Consenting Holder must indicate in the Consent Notice the portion of Preference Shares held by such Holder for which such Holder wishes to receive a distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of Interest Proceeds. Any Consent Notice that is not delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in the manner set forth herein shall be deemed to have not been delivered.

Please contact [ ] ([*insert e-mail address*]) at [( ) \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_] with any questions.

Sincerely,

State Street Bank and Trust Company  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent

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

**EXHIBIT A**

**ELIGIBLE EQUITY SECURITIES DISTRIBUTION**

**EXHIBIT B**

**CONSENT NOTICE**

The undersigned hereby consents to a distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of the Interest Proceeds due and payable as dividends with respect to \_\_\_\_\_ of the Preference Shares held by the undersigned on the Payment Date of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Holder

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Authorized Signatory

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Authorized Signatory

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Title of Authorized Signatory

## **EXHIBIT EE**

**EXECUTION COPY**

**SERVICING AGREEMENT**

This Servicing Agreement, dated as of December 20, 2007 is entered into by and among GREENBRIAR CLO, LTD., an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands, with its registered office located at P.O. Box 1093GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands (together with successors and assigns permitted hereunder, the "Issuer"), and HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, with its principal offices located at Two Galleria Tower, 13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300, Dallas, Texas 75240, as servicer ("Highland" or, in such capacity, the "Servicer").

**WITNESSETH:**

WHEREAS, the Issuer and GREENBRIAR CLO CORP. (the "Co-Issuer" and together with the Issuer, the "Co-Issuers") intend to issue U.S.\$730,000,000 of their Class A Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due November 2021 (the "Class A Notes"), U.S.\$60,000,000 of their Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due November 2021 (the "Class B Notes"), U.S.\$50,000,000 of their Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due November 2021 (the "Class C Notes"), U.S.\$40,000,000 of their Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due November 2021 (the "Class D Notes"), and the Issuer intends to issue U.S.\$40,000,000 of its Class E Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due November 2021 (the "Class E Notes" and together with the Class A Notes, Class B Notes, Class C Notes and Class D Notes, the "Notes") pursuant to the Indenture dated as of December 20, 2007 (the "Indenture"), among the Co-Issuers and State Street Bank and Trust Company, as trustee (the "Trustee") and the Issuer intends to issue 20,000 Class I Preference Shares, \$0.01 par value (the "Class I Preference Shares") and 60,000 Class II Preference Shares, \$0.01 par value (the "Class II Preference Shares" and, together with the Class I Preference Shares, the "Preference Shares" and, together with the Notes, the "Securities") pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement dated as of December 20, 2007 (the "Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement") between the Issuer and State Street Bank and Trust Company, as the Preference Shares Paying Agent, and pursuant to the Issuer's amended and restated memorandum and articles of association (the "Memorandum and Articles of Association") and certain resolutions of the board of directors of the Issuer;

WHEREAS, the Issuer intends to pledge certain Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments and Cash (all as defined in the Indenture) and certain other assets (all as set forth in the Indenture) (collectively, the "Collateral") to the Trustee as security for the Notes;

WHEREAS, the Issuer wishes to enter into this Servicing Agreement, pursuant to which the Servicer agrees to perform, on behalf of the Issuer, certain duties with respect to the Collateral in the manner and on the terms set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the Servicer has the capacity to provide the services required hereby and in the applicable provisions of the other Transaction Documents and is prepared to perform such services upon the terms and conditions set forth herein.



NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements herein set forth, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Definitions.

Terms used herein and not defined below shall have the meanings set forth in the Indenture.

“Agreement” shall mean this Servicing Agreement, as amended from time to time.

“Governing Instruments” shall mean the memorandum, articles or certificate of incorporation or association and by-laws, if applicable, in the case of a corporation; the certificate of formation, if applicable, or the partnership agreement, in the case of a partnership; or the certificate of formation, if applicable, or the limited liability company agreement, in the case of a limited liability company.

“HFP” shall mean Highland Financial Partners, L.P. (which includes, for the avoidance of doubt, any subsidiary thereof).

“Offering Memorandum” shall mean the Offering Memorandum of the Issuer dated December 18, 2007 prepared in connection with the offering of the Securities.

“Servicer Breaches” shall have the meaning specified in Section 10(a).

“Servicing Fee” shall mean, collectively, the Senior Servicing Fee, the Subordinated Servicing Fee and the Supplemental Servicing Fee.

“Transaction Documents” shall mean the Indenture, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Servicing Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement.

2. General Duties of the Servicer.

(a) The Servicer shall provide services to the Issuer as follows:

(i) Subject to and in accordance with the terms this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents, the Servicer shall supervise and direct the administration, acquisition and disposition of the Collateral, and shall perform on behalf of the Issuer those duties and obligations of the Servicer required by the Indenture and the other Transaction Documents, and including the furnishing of Issuer Orders, Issuer Requests and officer's certificates, and such certifications as are required of the Servicer under the Indenture with respect to permitted purchases and sales of the Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments and other assets, and other matters, and, to the extent necessary or appropriate to perform such duties, the Servicer shall have the power to execute and deliver all necessary and appropriate documents and instruments on behalf of the Issuer with respect thereto. The Servicer shall, subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents, perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder with reasonable care, using a degree of skill and attention no less than that which the Servicer exercises with respect to comparable assets that it services or manages for others having similar objectives and restrictions, and in a manner consistent with practices and procedures followed by institutional servicers or managers of national standing relating to assets of the nature and character of the Collateral for clients having

similar objectives and restrictions, except as expressly provided otherwise in this Agreement and/or the other Transaction Documents. To the extent not inconsistent with the foregoing, the Servicer shall follow its customary standards, policies and procedures in performing its duties under the Indenture and hereunder. The Servicer shall comply with all terms and conditions of the other Transaction Documents affecting the duties and functions to be performed hereunder. The Servicer shall not be bound to follow any amendment to any Transaction Document until it has received written notice thereof and until it has received a copy of the amendment from the Issuer or the Trustee; provided, however, that the Servicer shall not be bound by any amendment to any Transaction Document that affects the rights, powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer unless the Servicer shall have consented thereto in writing. The Issuer agrees that it shall not permit any amendment to the Indenture that (x) affects the rights, powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer or (y) affects the amount or priority of any fees payable to the Servicer to become effective unless the Servicer has been given prior written notice of such amendment and consented thereto in writing;

(ii) the Servicer shall select any Collateral which shall be acquired by the Issuer pursuant to the Indenture in accordance with the Collateral criteria set forth herein and in the Indenture;

(iii) the Servicer shall monitor the Collateral on an ongoing basis and provide to the Issuer all reports, certificates, schedules and other data with respect to the Collateral which the Issuer is required to prepare and deliver under the Indenture, in the form and containing all information required thereby and in reasonable time for the Issuer to review such required reports, certificates, schedules and data and to deliver them to the parties entitled thereto under the Indenture; the Servicer shall undertake to determine to the extent reasonably practicable whether a Collateral Obligation has become a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;

(iv) the Servicer, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture may, at any time permitted under the Indenture, and shall, when required by the Indenture, direct the Trustee (x) to dispose of a Collateral Obligation, Equity Security or Eligible Investment or other securities received in respect thereof in the open market or otherwise, (y) to acquire, as security for the Notes in substitution for or in addition to any one or more Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments included in the Collateral, one or more substitute Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments, or (z) direct the Trustee to take the following actions with respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment:

- (1) retain such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment;
- or
- (2) dispose of such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment in the open market or otherwise; or
- (3) if applicable, tender such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment pursuant to an Offer; or
- (4) if applicable, consent to any proposed amendment, modification or waiver pursuant to an Offer; or

(5) retain or dispose of any securities or other property (if other than cash) received pursuant to an Offer; or

(6) waive any default with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or

(7) vote to accelerate the maturity of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or

(8) exercise any other rights or remedies with respect to such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment as provided in the related Underlying Instruments, including in connection with any workout situations, or take any other action consistent with the terms of the Indenture which is in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities; and

(v) the Servicer shall (a) on or prior to any day which is a Redemption Date, direct the Trustee to enter into contracts to dispose of the Collateral Obligation and any other Collateral pursuant to the Indenture and otherwise comply with all redemption procedures and certification requirements in the Indenture in order to allow the Trustee to effect such redemption and (b) conduct auctions in accordance with the terms of the Indenture.

(b) In performing its duties hereunder, the Servicer shall seek to preserve the value of the Collateral for the benefit of the Holders of the Securities taking into account the Collateral criteria and limitations set forth herein and in the Indenture and the Servicer shall use reasonable efforts to select and service the Collateral in such a way that will permit a timely performance of all payment obligations by the Issuer under the Indenture; provided, that the Servicer shall not be responsible if such objectives are not achieved so long as the Servicer performs its duties under this Agreement in the manner provided for herein, and provided, further, that there shall be no recourse to the Servicer with respect to the Notes or the Preference Shares. The Servicer and the Issuer shall take such other action, and furnish such certificates, opinions and other documents, as may be reasonably requested by the other party hereto in order to effectuate the purposes of this Agreement and to facilitate compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the terms of this Agreement.

(c) The Servicer hereby agrees to the following:

(i) The Servicer agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer until the payment in full of all Notes issued under the Indenture and the payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent of all amounts payable with respect to the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the expiration of a period equal to the greater of (A) the applicable preference period plus one day or (B) one year and one day following the payment. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Servicer may commence any legal action that is not a bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation or similar proceeding against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any of their properties and may take any action it deems appropriate at any time in any bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation or similar proceeding and any other Proceeding voluntarily commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or involuntarily commenced against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by anyone other than the Servicer or any Affiliate of the Servicer. The provisions of this Section 2(c)(i) shall survive termination of this Agreement.

(ii) The Servicer shall cause each sale or purchase of any Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment to be conducted on an arm's-length basis.

(d) The Servicer shall not act for the Issuer in any capacity except as provided in this Section 2. In providing services hereunder, the Servicer may employ third parties, including its Affiliates, to render advice (including advice with respect to the servicing of the Collateral) and assistance; provided, however, that the Servicer shall not be relieved of any of its duties or liabilities hereunder regardless of the performance of any services by third parties. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Servicer shall not be required to take any action required of it pursuant to this Agreement or the Indenture if such action would constitute a violation of any law.

(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement or the Indenture, (i) any granted signatory powers or authority granted to the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer with respect to the Special Procedures Obligations (as defined in Annex 1) shall be conditioned upon the prior written approval of the Independent Advisor (as defined in Annex 1) and (ii) neither the Servicer nor any Affiliate of the Servicer shall have any authority to enter into agreements, or take any action, on behalf of the Issuer with respect to the Special Procedures Obligations without the prior written approval of the Independent Advisor.

(f) Except as otherwise provided in the Indenture and herein, subject to the resignation rights of the Servicer pursuant to Section 12 of this Agreement, the Servicer shall continue to serve as Servicer under this Agreement notwithstanding that the Servicer shall not have received amounts due it under this Agreement because sufficient funds were not then available under the Indenture to pay the amounts owed to the Servicer pursuant to the Priority of Payments.

(g) The Servicer agrees that on the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries will purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares and all of the Class E Notes and (ii) the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates is expected to purchase all of the Class I Preference Shares.

### 3. Brokerage.

The Servicer shall seek to obtain the best prices and execution for all orders placed with respect to the Collateral, considering all reasonable circumstances. Subject to the objective of obtaining best prices and execution, the Servicer may take into consideration research and other brokerage services furnished to the Servicer or its Affiliates by brokers and dealers which are not Affiliates of the Servicer. Such services may be used by the Servicer or its Affiliates in connection with its other servicing or advisory activities or operations. The Servicer may aggregate sales and purchase orders of securities placed with respect to the Collateral with similar orders being made simultaneously for other accounts serviced or managed by the Servicer or with accounts of the Affiliates of the Servicer, if in the Servicer's reasonable judgment such aggregation shall result in an overall economic benefit to the Issuer, taking into consideration the advantageous selling or purchase price, brokerage commission and other expenses. In the event that a sale or purchase of a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment (in accordance with the terms of the Indenture) occurs as part of any aggregate sales or purchase orders, the objective of the Servicer (and any of its Affiliates involved in such transactions) shall be to allocate the executions among the accounts in an equitable manner and consistent with its obligations hereunder and under applicable law.

In addition to the foregoing and subject to the provisions of Section 2 and the limitations of Section 5, the objective of obtaining best prices and execution and to the extent permitted by applicable law, the Servicer may, on behalf of the Issuer, direct the Trustee to acquire any and all of the Eligible

Investments or other Collateral from, or sell Collateral Obligations or other Collateral to, the Initial Purchaser, the Trustee or any of their respective Affiliates, or any other firm.

4. Additional Activities of the Servicer.

Nothing herein shall prevent the Servicer or any of its Affiliates from engaging in other businesses, or from rendering services of any kind to the Trustee, the Holders of the Securities, or any other Person or entity to the extent permitted by applicable law. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, the Servicer and partners, directors, officers, employees and agents of the Servicer or its Affiliates may, among other things, and subject to any limits specified in the Indenture:

(a) serve as directors (whether supervisory or managing), officers, partners, employees, agents, nominees or signatories for any issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates, to the extent permitted by their Governing Instruments, as from time to time amended, or by any resolutions duly adopted by the Issuer, its Affiliates or any issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates, pursuant to their respective Governing Instruments; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on the enforceability of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Overcollateralization Ratio and each Interest Coverage Test; provided, further, that nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to limit the duties of the Servicer set forth in Section 2 hereof;

(b) receive fees for services of any nature rendered to the issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on the enforceability of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Coverage Test; and provided, further, that if any portion of such services are related to the purchase by the Issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral, the portion of such fees relating to such obligations shall be applied to the purchase price of such obligations; and

(c) be a secured or unsecured creditor of, or hold an equity interest in, the Issuer, its Affiliates or any issuer of any obligation included in the Collateral; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on the enforceability of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Coverage Test; provided, further, that nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to limit the duties of the Servicer set forth in Section 2 hereof.

It is understood that the Servicer and any of its Affiliates may engage in any other business and furnish servicing, investment management and advisory services to others, including Persons which may have policies similar to those followed by the Servicer with respect to the Collateral and which may own securities of the same class, or which are the same type, as the Collateral Obligations or other securities of the issuers of Collateral Obligations. The Servicer shall be free, in its sole discretion, to make recommendations to others, or effect transactions on behalf of itself or for others, which may be the same as or different from those effected with respect to the Collateral.

Unless the Servicer determines in its reasonable judgment that such purchase or sale is appropriate, the Servicer may refrain from directing the purchase or sale hereunder of securities issued by (i) Persons of which the Servicer, its Affiliates or any of its or their officers, directors or employees are directors or officers, (ii) Persons for which the Servicer or its Affiliates act as financial adviser or underwriter or (iii) Persons about which the Servicer or any of its Affiliates have information which the Servicer deems confidential or non-public or otherwise might prohibit it from trading such securities in

accordance with applicable law. The Servicer shall not be obligated to have or pursue any particular strategy or opportunity with respect to the Collateral.

5. Conflicts of Interest.

(a) The Servicer shall not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Servicer such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Servicer, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the United States Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended.

(b) The Servicer shall not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Servicer, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the United States Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended.

(c) In addition, the Servicer shall not undertake any transaction described in this Section 5 unless such transaction is exempt from the prohibited transaction rules of ERISA and the Code.

6. Records; Confidentiality.

The Servicer shall maintain appropriate books of account and records relating to services performed hereunder, and such books of account and records shall be accessible for inspection by a representative of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Holders of the Securities and the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to the Indenture at a mutually agreed time during normal business hours and upon not less than three Business Days' prior notice. At no time shall the Servicer make a public announcement concerning the issuance of the Notes or the Preference Shares, the Servicer's role hereunder or any other aspect of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents. The Servicer shall keep confidential any and all information obtained in connection with the services rendered hereunder and shall not disclose any such information to non-affiliated third parties except (i) with the prior written consent of the Issuer, (ii) such information as either Rating Agency shall reasonably request in connection with the rating of any Class of Securities, (iii) as required by law, regulation, court order or the rules or regulations of any self regulating organization, body or official having jurisdiction over the Servicer, (iv) to its professional advisers, (v) such information as shall have been publicly disclosed other than in violation of this Agreement, or (vi) such information that was or is obtained by the Servicer on a non-confidential basis; provided, that the Servicer does not know or have reason to know of any breach by such source of any confidentiality obligations with respect thereto. For purposes of this Section 6, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator and the Holders of the Securities shall in no event be considered "non-affiliated third parties."

Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement or the Indenture to the contrary, the Servicer, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Holders of the Securities (and the beneficial owners thereof) (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) may disclose to any and all Persons, without limitation of any kind, the U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure of the transactions

contemplated by this Agreement and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to them relating to such U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure, as such terms are defined under U.S. federal, state or local tax law.

7. Obligations of Servicer.

Unless otherwise specifically required by any provision of the Indenture or this Agreement or by applicable law, the Servicer shall use its best reasonable efforts to ensure that no action is taken by it, and shall not intentionally or with reckless disregard take any action, which would (a) materially adversely affect the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for purposes of Cayman Islands law, United States federal or state law or any other law known to the Servicer to be applicable to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, (b) not be permitted under the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association or the Co-Issuer's Certificate of Incorporation or By-Laws, (c) violate any law, rule or regulation of any governmental body or agency having jurisdiction over the Issuer or the Co-Issuer including, without limitation, any Cayman Islands or United States federal, state or other applicable securities law the violation of which has or could reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any of the Collateral, (d) require registration of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the pool of Collateral as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act, (e) cause the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to violate the terms of the Indenture, including, without limitation, any representations made by the Issuer or Co-Issuer therein, or any other agreement contemplated by the Indenture or (f) not be permitted by Annex 1 hereto and would subject the Issuer to U.S. federal or state income or franchise taxation or cause the Issuer to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The Servicer covenants that it shall comply in all material respects with all laws and regulations applicable to it in connection with the performance of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, the Servicer shall not be required to take any action under this Agreement or the Indenture if such action would violate any applicable law, rule, regulation or court order.

8. Compensation.

(a) The Issuer shall pay to the Servicer, for services rendered and performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Servicing Fee, which shall be payable in such amounts and at such times as set forth in the Indenture. The provisions of the Indenture which relate to the amount and payment of the Servicing Fee shall not be amended without the written consent of the Servicer. If on any Payment Date there are insufficient funds to pay the Servicing Fee (and/or any other amounts due and payable to the Servicer) in full, the amount not so paid shall be deferred and shall be payable on such later Payment Date on which funds are available therefor as provided in the Indenture.

With respect to any Payment Date after February 3, 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion (or all) of its Servicing Fees then due and payable. All waived amounts will be paid to the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments pursuant to the Indenture; provided that with respect to the Payment Date in August 2008, such Class II Preference Share Special Payments will, at a minimum, include amounts that otherwise constitute a portion (representing the Class II Preference Share Percentage) of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Closing Date through February 3, 2008. For purposes of any calculation under this Agreement and the Indenture, the Servicer shall be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

In addition, notwithstanding anything set out above, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion waive all or any portion of the Subordinated Servicing Fee or Supplemental Servicing Fee, any

funds representing the waived Subordinated Servicing Fees and Supplemental Servicing Fees to be retained in the Collection Account for distribution as either Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds (as determined by the Servicer) pursuant to the Priority of Payments.

(b) The Servicer shall be responsible for the ordinary expenses incurred in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Indenture and the other Transaction Documents; provided, however, that any extraordinary expenses incurred by the Servicer in the performance of such obligations (including, but not limited to, any fees, expenses or other amounts payable to the Rating Agencies, the Collateral Administrator, the Trustee and the accountants appointed by the Issuer, the reasonable expenses incurred by the Servicer to employ outside lawyers or consultants reasonably necessary in connection with the evaluation, transfer or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation or other unusual matters arising in the performance of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture, any reasonable expenses incurred by the Servicer in obtaining advice from outside counsel with respect to its obligations under this Agreement, brokerage commissions, transfer fees, registration costs, taxes and other similar costs and transaction related expenses and fees arising out of transactions effected for the Issuer's account and the portion allocated to the Issuer of any other fees and expenses that the Servicer customarily allocates among all of the funds or portfolios that it services or manages, including reasonable expenses incurred with respect to any compliance requirements, including, but not limited to, compliance with the requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, related solely to the ownership or holding of any Securities by HFP or any of its subsidiaries) shall be reimbursed by the Issuer to the extent funds are available therefor in accordance with and subject to the Priority of Payments and other limitations contained in the Indenture.

(c) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 12, Section 14 or otherwise, the fees payable to the Servicer shall be prorated for any partial periods between Payment Dates during which this Agreement was in effect and shall be due and payable on the first Payment Date following the date of such termination and on any subsequent Payment Dates to the extent remaining unpaid and in accordance with, and to the extent provided in, the Indenture.

#### 9. Benefit of the Agreement.

The Servicer agrees that its obligations hereunder shall be enforceable at the instance of the Issuer, the Trustee, on behalf of the Noteholders, or the requisite percentage of Noteholders or the Holders of the Preference Shares, as applicable, as provided in the Indenture.

#### 10. Limits of Servicer Responsibility; Indemnification.

(a) The Servicer assumes no responsibility under this Agreement other than to render the services called for hereunder and under the terms of the other Transaction Documents made applicable to it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement in good faith and, subject to the standard of liability described in the next sentence, shall not be responsible for any action of the Issuer or the Trustee in following or declining to follow any advice, recommendation or direction of the Servicer. The Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, and its Affiliates and their directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, shall not be liable to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person, for any losses, claims, damages, judgments, assessments, costs or other liabilities (collectively, "Liabilities") incurred by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person, that arise out of or in connection with the performance by the Servicer of its duties under this Agreement and under the terms of the other Transaction Documents made applicable to it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, except by reason of (i) acts or omissions constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, gross negligence or breach of fiduciary duty in the



performance, or reckless disregard, of the obligations of the Servicer hereunder and under the terms of the other Transaction Documents made applicable to it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement or (ii) with respect to any information included in the Offering Memorandum in the sections entitled “The Servicer” and “Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer” that contains any untrue statement of material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) collectively being the “Servicer Breaches”). The Servicer shall be liable for any non-waivable breaches of applicable securities laws. For the avoidance of doubt, the Servicer shall have no duty to independently investigate any laws not otherwise known to it in connection with its obligations under this Agreement, the Indenture and the other Transaction Documents. The Servicer shall be deemed to have satisfied the requirements of the Indenture and this Agreement relating to not causing the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes (including as those requirements relate to the acquisition (including manner of acquisition), ownership, enforcement, and disposition of Collateral) to the extent the Servicer complies with the requirements set forth in Annex 1 hereto (unless the Servicer knows that as a result of a change in law the investment restrictions set forth in Annex 1 may no longer be relied upon).

(b) The Issuer shall indemnify and hold harmless (the Issuer in such case, the “Indemnifying Party”) the Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees (such parties collectively in such case, the “Indemnified Parties”) from and against any and all Liabilities, and shall reimburse each such Indemnified Party for all reasonable fees and expenses (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) (collectively, the “Expenses”) as such Expenses are incurred in investigating, preparing, pursuing or defending any claim, action, proceeding or investigation with respect to any pending or threatened litigation (collectively, the “Actions”), caused by, or arising out of or in connection with, the issuance of the Securities, the transactions contemplated by the Offering Memorandum, the Indenture or this Agreement, and/or any action taken by, or any failure to act by, such Indemnified Party; provided, however, that no Indemnified Party shall be indemnified for any Liabilities or Expenses it incurs as a result of any acts or omissions by any Indemnified Party constituting Servicer Breaches. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the obligations of the Issuer under this Section 10 shall be payable solely out of the Collateral in accordance with, and subject to, the Priority of Payments and shall survive termination of this Agreement.

(c) With respect to any claim made or threatened against an Indemnified Party, or compulsory process or request or other notice of any loss, claim, damage or liability served upon an Indemnified Party, for which such Indemnified Party is or may be entitled to indemnification under this Section 10, such Indemnified Party shall (or with respect to Indemnified Parties that are directors, officers, stockholders, agents or employees of the Servicer, the Servicer shall cause such Indemnified Party to):

(i) give written notice to the Indemnifying Party of such claim within ten (10) days after such Indemnified Party’s receipt of actual notice that such claim is made or threatened, which notice to the Indemnifying Party shall specify in reasonable detail the nature of the claim and the amount (or an estimate of the amount) of the claim; provided, however, that the failure of any Indemnified Party to provide such notice to the Indemnifying Party shall not relieve the Indemnifying Party of its obligations under this Section 10 unless the Indemnifying Party is materially prejudiced or otherwise forfeits rights or defenses by reason of such failure;

(ii) at the Indemnifying Party’s expense, provide the Indemnifying Party such information and cooperation with respect to such claim as the Indemnifying

Party may reasonably require, including, but not limited to, making appropriate personnel available to the Indemnifying Party at such reasonable times as the Indemnifying Party may request;

(iii) at the Indemnifying Party's expense, cooperate and take all such steps as the Indemnifying Party may reasonably request to preserve and protect any defense to such claim;

(iv) in the event suit is brought with respect to such claim, upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Indemnifying Party the right, which the Indemnifying Party may exercise in its sole discretion and at its expense, to participate in the investigation, defense and settlement of such claim;

(v) neither incur any material expense to defend against nor release or settle any such claim or make any admission with respect thereto (other than routine or incontestable admissions or factual admissions the failure to make which would expose such Indemnified Party to uninsured liability) nor permit a default or consent to the entry of any judgment in respect thereof, in each case without the prior written consent of the Indemnifying Party; and

(vi) upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Indemnifying Party the right, in its sole discretion and at its sole expense, to assume the defense of such claim, including, but not limited to, the right to designate counsel reasonably acceptable to the Indemnified Party and to control all negotiations, litigation, arbitration, settlements, compromises and appeals of such claim; provided, that if the Indemnifying Party assumes the defense of such claim, it shall not be liable for any fees and expenses of counsel for any Indemnified Party incurred thereafter in connection with such claim except that if such Indemnified Party reasonably determines that counsel designated by the Indemnifying Party has a conflict of interest in connection with its representation of such Indemnified Party, such Indemnifying Party shall pay the reasonable fees and disbursements of one counsel (in addition to any local counsel) separate from its own counsel for all Indemnified Parties in connection with any one action or separate but similar or related actions in the same jurisdiction arising out of the same general allegations or circumstances; provided, further, that prior to entering into any final settlement or compromise, such Indemnifying Party shall seek the consent of the Indemnified Party and use its commercially reasonable efforts in the light of the then prevailing circumstances (including, without limitation, any express or implied time constraint on any pending settlement offer) to obtain the consent of such Indemnified Party as to the terms of settlement or compromise. If an Indemnified Party does not consent to the settlement or compromise within a reasonable time under the circumstances, the Indemnifying Party shall not thereafter be obligated to indemnify the Indemnified Party for any amount in excess of such proposed settlement or compromise.

(d) In the event that any Indemnified Party waives its right to indemnification hereunder, the Indemnifying Party shall not be entitled to appoint counsel to represent such Indemnified Party nor shall the Indemnifying Party reimburse such Indemnified Party for any costs of counsel to such Indemnified Party.

(e) The U.S. federal securities laws impose liabilities under certain circumstances on persons who act in good faith; accordingly, notwithstanding any other provision of this

Agreement, nothing herein shall in any way constitute a waiver or limitation of any rights which the Issuer or the Holders of the Securities may have under any U.S. federal securities laws.

11. No Partnership or Joint Venture.

The Issuer and the Servicer are not partners or joint venturers with each other and nothing herein shall be construed to make them such partners or joint venturers or impose any liability as such on either of them. The Servicer's relation to the Issuer shall be deemed to be that of an independent contractor.

12. Term; Termination.

(a) This Agreement shall commence as of the date first set forth above and shall continue in force and effect until the first of the following occurs: (i) the payment in full of the Notes, the termination of the Indenture in accordance with its terms and the redemption in full of the Preference Shares; (ii) the liquidation of the Collateral and the final distribution of the proceeds of such liquidation to the Holders of the Securities; or (iii) the termination of this Agreement in accordance with subsection (b), (c), (d) or (e) of this Section 12 or Section 14 of this Agreement.

(b) Subject to Section 12(e) below, the Servicer may resign, upon 90 days' written notice to the Issuer (or such shorter notice as is acceptable to the Issuer). If the Servicer resigns, the Issuer agrees to appoint a successor servicer to assume such duties and obligations in accordance with Section 12(e).

(c) This Agreement shall be automatically terminated in the event that the Issuer determines in good faith that the Issuer or the pool of Collateral has become required to be registered under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, and the Issuer notifies the Servicer thereof.

(d) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to this Section 12, neither party shall have any further liability or obligation to the other, except as provided in Sections 2(c)(i), 8, 10 and 15 of this Agreement.

(e) No removal or resignation of the Servicer shall be effective unless:

(i) (A) the Issuer appoints a successor servicer at the written direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by the retiring Servicer, any of its Affiliates or any account over which the retiring Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority other than, with respect to the Class II Preference Shares, HFP; provided that, with respect to the voting authority of Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) (each such non-excluded Preference Share, a "Voting Preference Share"), (B) such successor servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the retiring Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer, its Affiliates or any account over which the retiring Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting

authority other than HFP; provided that, with respect to the voting authority of Notes owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Trustee by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) (each such non-excluded Note, a "Voting Note") or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single class); or

(ii) if a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares has nominated two or more successor servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) or has failed to appoint a successor servicer that has not been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) within 60 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer, (A) the Issuer appoints a successor servicer at the written direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes), (B) such successor servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the retiring Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares (voting as a single class) or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single class); provided, that if a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and a Super Majority of the Controlling Class (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) have each nominated two or more successor servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clauses (i)(C) and (ii)(C) or have otherwise failed to appoint a successor servicer that has not been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) or (ii)(C) within 120 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer, (A) any Holder of the Controlling Class (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes), any Holder of Voting Preference Shares or the Trustee petitions a court of competent authority to appoint a successor servicer, (B) such court appoints a successor servicer and (C) such successor servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the retiring Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture.

In addition, any successor servicer must be an established institution which (i) has demonstrated an ability to professionally and competently perform duties similar to those imposed upon the Servicer hereunder, (ii) is legally qualified and has the capacity to act as Servicer hereunder, as successor to the Servicer under this Agreement in the assumption of all of the responsibilities, duties and obligations of the Servicer hereunder and under the applicable terms of the Indenture, (iii) shall not cause the Issuer or the pool of Collateral to become required to register under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, (iv) shall perform its duties as successor servicer under this Agreement and the Indenture without causing the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Holder of Preference Shares to become subject to tax in any jurisdiction where such successor servicer is established as doing business and (v) each Rating Agency has confirmed that the appointment of such successor servicer shall not cause its then-current rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn. No compensation payable to a successor servicer from payments on the Collateral shall be greater than that paid to the retiring Servicer without the prior written consent of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes, a Majority of the Noteholders and a Majority of the Preference Shares. The Issuer, the Trustee and the successor servicer shall take such action (or cause the retiring Servicer to take such action) consistent with this Agreement and the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer, as shall be necessary to effectuate any such succession.

(f) In the event of removal of the Servicer pursuant to this Agreement, the Issuer shall have all of the rights and remedies available with respect thereto at law or equity, and, without limiting the foregoing, the Issuer or, to the extent so provided in the Indenture, the Trustee may by notice

in writing to the Servicer as provided under this Agreement terminate all the rights and obligations of the Servicer under this Agreement (except those that survive termination pursuant to Section 12(d) above). Upon expiration of the applicable notice period with respect to termination specified in this Section 12 or Section 14 of this Agreement, as applicable, all authority and power of the Servicer under this Agreement, whether with respect to the Collateral or otherwise, shall automatically and without further action by any person or entity pass to and be vested in the successor servicer upon the appointment thereof.

13. Delegation; Assignments.

This Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Servicer hereunder, shall not be delegated by the Servicer, in whole or in part, except to any entity that (i) is controlled by any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers and (ii) is one in which any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers is involved in the day to day management and operations (and in any such case pursuant to an instrument of delegation in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer), without the prior written consent of the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and, notwithstanding any such consent, no delegation of obligations or duties by the Servicer (including, without limitation, to an entity described above) shall relieve the Servicer from any liability hereunder.

Subject to Section 12, any assignment of this Agreement to any Person, in whole or in part, by the Servicer shall be deemed null and void unless (i) such assignment is consented to in writing by the Issuer, a Majority of Noteholders and the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding Notes and Preference Shares held by the Servicer or any of its Affiliates other than HFP) and (ii) the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to any such assignment. Any assignment consented to by the Issuer, a Majority of Noteholders and the Holders of Preference Shares shall bind the assignee hereunder in the same manner as the Servicer is bound. In addition, the assignee shall execute and deliver to the Issuer and the Trustee a counterpart of this Agreement naming such assignee as Servicer. Upon the execution and delivery of such a counterpart by the assignee and consent thereto by the Issuer, a Majority of Noteholders and the Holders of the Preference Shares, the Servicer shall be released from further obligations pursuant to this Agreement, except with respect to its obligations arising under Section 10 of this Agreement prior to such assignment and except with respect to its obligations under Sections 2(c)(i) and 15 hereof. This Agreement shall not be assigned by the Issuer without the prior written consent of the Servicer and the Trustee, except in the case of assignment by the Issuer to (i) an entity which is a successor to the Issuer permitted under the Indenture, in which case such successor organization shall be bound hereunder and by the terms of said assignment in the same manner as the Issuer is bound thereunder or (ii) the Trustee as contemplated by the Indenture. In the event of any assignment by the Issuer, the Issuer shall cause its successor to execute and deliver to the Servicer such documents as the Servicer shall consider reasonably necessary to effect fully such assignment. The Servicer hereby consents to the matters set forth in Article 15 of the Indenture.

14. Termination by the Issuer for Cause.

Subject to Section 12(e) above, this Agreement shall be terminated and the Servicer shall be removed by the Issuer for cause upon 10 days' prior written notice to the Servicer and upon written notice to the Holders of the Securities as set forth below, but only if directed to do so by the Trustee acting at the direction of (1) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) or (2) a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares that are not Voting Preference Shares). For purposes of determining "cause" with respect to any such termination of this Agreement, such term shall mean any one of the following events:

(a) the Servicer willfully breaches in any respect, or takes any action that it knows violates in any respect, any provision of this Agreement or any terms of the Indenture applicable to it;

(b) the Servicer breaches in any material respect any provision of this Agreement or any terms of the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement applicable to it, or any representation, warranty, certification or statement given in writing by the Servicer shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or given, and the Servicer fails to cure such breach or take such action so that the facts (after giving effect to such action) conform in all material respects to such representation, warranty, certificate or statement, in each case within 30 days of becoming aware of, or receiving notice from, the Trustee of, such breach or materially incorrect representation, warranty, certificate or statement;

(c) the Servicer is wound up or dissolved (other than a dissolution in which the remaining members elect to continue the business of the Servicer in accordance with its Governing Instruments) or there is appointed over it or a substantial portion of its assets a receiver, administrator, administrative receiver, trustee or similar officer, or the Servicer (i) ceases to be able to, or admits in writing its inability to, pay its debts as they become due and payable, or makes a general assignment for the benefit of or enters into any composition or arrangement with, its creditors generally; (ii) applies for or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, assignee, custodian, liquidator or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Servicer or of any substantial part of its properties or assets, or authorizes such an application or consent, or proceedings seeking such appointment are commenced without such authorization, consent or application against the Servicer and continue undismissed for 60 days; (iii) authorizes or files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, or applies for or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the application of any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, readjustment of debt, insolvency or dissolution, or authorizes such application or consent, or proceedings to such end are instituted against the Servicer without such authorization, application or consent and are approved as properly instituted and remain undismissed for 60 days or result in adjudication of bankruptcy or insolvency; or (iv) permits or suffers all or any substantial part of its properties or assets to be sequestered or attached by court order and the order remains undismissed for 60 days;

(d) the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture that results from any breach by the Servicer of its duties under the Indenture or this Agreement, which breach or default is not cured within any applicable cure period; or

(e) (x) the occurrence of an act by the Servicer related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business that constitutes fraud, (y) the Servicer being indicted, or any of its principals being convicted, of a felony criminal offense related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business or (z) the Servicer

being indicted for, adjudged liable in a civil suit for, or convicted of a violation of the Securities Act or any other United States Federal securities law or any rules or regulations thereunder.

If any of the events specified in this Section 14 shall occur, the Servicer shall give prompt written notice thereof to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Holders of all outstanding Notes and Preference Shares upon the Servicer's becoming aware of the occurrence of such event.

15. Action Upon Termination.

(a) From and after the effective date of termination of this Agreement, the Servicer shall not be entitled to compensation for further services hereunder, but shall be paid all compensation accrued to the date of termination, as provided in Section 8 hereof, and shall be entitled to receive any amounts owing under Section 10 hereof. Upon the effective date of termination of this Agreement, the Servicer shall as soon as practicable:

(i) deliver to the Issuer all property and documents of the Trustee or the Issuer or otherwise relating to the Collateral then in the custody of the Servicer; and

(ii) deliver to the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent an accounting with respect to the books and records delivered to the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the successor servicer appointed pursuant to Section 12(e) hereof.

Notwithstanding such termination, the Servicer shall remain liable to the extent set forth herein (but subject to Section 10 hereof) for its acts or omissions hereunder arising prior to termination and for any expenses, losses, damages, liabilities, demands, charges and claims (including reasonable attorneys' fees) in respect of or arising out of a breach of the representations and warranties made by the Servicer in Section 16(b) hereof or from any failure of the Servicer to comply with the provisions of this Section 15.

(b) The Servicer agrees that, notwithstanding any termination of this Agreement, it shall reasonably cooperate in any Proceeding arising in connection with this Agreement, the Indenture or any of the Collateral (excluding any such Proceeding in which claims are asserted against the Servicer or any Affiliate of the Servicer) upon receipt of appropriate indemnification and expense reimbursement.

16. Representations and Warranties.

(a) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants to the Servicer as follows:

(i) The Issuer has been duly incorporated and is validly existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands, has full power and authority to own its assets and the securities proposed to be owned by it and included in the Collateral and to transact the business in which it is presently engaged and is duly qualified under the laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Indenture or the Securities would require, such qualification, except for failures to be so qualified, authorized or licensed that would not in the aggregate have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Issuer.

(ii) The Issuer has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform its obligations pursuant to this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities and all obligations required hereunder and thereunder and has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities on the terms and conditions hereof and thereof and the execution by the Issuer, delivery and performance of its obligations pursuant to this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities and the performance of all obligations imposed upon it hereunder and thereunder. No consent of any other person including, without limitation, shareholders and creditors of the Issuer, and no license, permit, approval or authorization of, exemption by, notice or report to, or registration, filing or declaration with, any governmental authority, other than those that may be required under state securities or "blue sky" laws and those that have been or shall be obtained in connection with the other Transaction Documents and the Securities is required by the Issuer in connection with this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities or the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities or the obligations imposed upon it hereunder or thereunder. This Agreement constitutes, and each instrument or document required hereunder, when executed and delivered hereunder, shall constitute, the legally valid and binding obligation of the Issuer enforceable against the Issuer in accordance with its terms, subject to (a) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights and (b) general equitable principles.

(iii) The execution by the Issuer, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the documents and instruments required hereunder shall not violate any provision of any existing law or regulation binding on the Issuer, or any order, judgment, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or governmental authority binding on the Issuer, or the Governing Instruments of, or any securities issued by, the Issuer or of any mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking to which the Issuer is a party or by which the Issuer or any of its assets may be bound, the violation of which would have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Issuer, and shall not result in or require the creation or imposition of any lien on any of its property, assets or revenues pursuant to the provisions of any such mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking (other than the lien of the Indenture).

(iv) The Issuer is not in violation of its Governing Instruments or in breach or violation of or in default under the Indenture or any contract or agreement to which it is a party or by which it or any of its assets may be bound, or any applicable statute or any rule, regulation or order of any court, government agency or body having jurisdiction over the Issuer or its properties, the breach or violation of which or default under which would have a material adverse effect on the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the performance by the Issuer of its duties hereunder.

(v) True and complete copies of the Indenture and the Issuer's Governing Instruments have been delivered to the Servicer.

The Issuer agrees to deliver a true and complete copy of each amendment to the documents referred to in Section 16(a)(v) above to the Servicer as promptly as practicable after its adoption or execution.



(b) The Servicer hereby represents and warrants to the Issuer as follows:

(i) The Servicer is a limited partnership duly organized and validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware, has full power and authority to own its assets and to transact the business in which it is currently engaged and is duly qualified and in good standing under the laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of this Agreement would require such qualification, except for those jurisdictions in which the failure to be so qualified, authorized or licensed would not have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Servicer or on the ability of the Servicer to perform its obligations under, or on the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement and the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer.

(ii) The Servicer has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement and all obligations required hereunder and under the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer, and has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement on the terms and conditions hereof and the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and all obligations required hereunder and under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer. No consent of any other person, including, without limitation, creditors of the Servicer, and no license, permit, approval or authorization of, exemption by, notice or report to, or registration, filing or declaration with, any governmental authority is required by the Servicer in connection with this Agreement or the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the obligations required hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer. This Agreement has been, and each instrument and document required hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer shall be, executed and delivered by a duly authorized partner of the Servicer, and this Agreement constitutes, and each instrument and document required hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer when executed and delivered by the Servicer hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer shall constitute, the valid and legally binding obligations of the Servicer enforceable against the Servicer in accordance with their terms, subject to (a) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights and (b) general equitable principles.

(iii) The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer and the documents and instruments required hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer shall not violate or conflict with any provision of any existing law or regulation binding on or applicable to the Servicer, or any order, judgment, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or governmental authority binding on the Servicer, or the Governing Instruments of, or any securities issued by the Servicer or of any mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking to which the Servicer is a party or by which the Servicer or any of its assets may be bound, the violation of which would have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Servicer or its ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement and the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer, and shall not result in or require the creation or imposition of any lien on any of its material property, assets or revenues pursuant to the

provisions of any such mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking.

(iv) There is no charge, investigation, action, suit or proceeding before or by any court pending or, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, threatened that, if determined adversely to the Servicer, would have a material adverse effect upon the performance by the Servicer of its duties under, or on the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement and the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer.

(v) The Servicer is a registered investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act.

(vi) The Servicer is not in violation of its Governing Instruments or in breach or violation of or in default under any contract or agreement to which it is a party or by which it or any of its property may be bound, or any applicable statute or any rule, regulation or order of any court, government agency or body having jurisdiction over the Servicer or its properties, the breach or violation of which or default under which would have a material adverse effect on the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer, or the performance by the Servicer of its duties hereunder.

17. Notices.

Unless expressly provided otherwise herein, all notices, requests, demands and other communications required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing (including by telecopy) and shall be deemed to have been duly given, made and received when delivered against receipt or upon actual receipt of registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, or, in the case of telecopy notice, when received in legible form, addressed as set forth below:

(a) If to the Issuer:

Greenbriar CLO, Ltd.  
c/o Maples Finance Limited  
P.O. Box 1093GT  
Boundary Hall  
Cricket Square  
George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands  
Telephone: (345) 945-7099  
Telecopy: (345) 945-7100  
Attention: The Directors

(b) If to the Servicer:

Highland Capital Management, L.P.  
Two Galleria Tower  
13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300  
Dallas, Texas 75240  
Telephone: (972) 628-4100  
Telecopy: (972) 628-4147  
Attention: James Dondero

(c) If to the Trustee:

State Street Bank and Trust Company  
200 Clarendon Street  
Mailcode: EUC-108  
Boston, Massachusetts 02116  
Telecopy: (617) 351-4358  
Attention: CDO Services Group

(d) If to the Noteholders:

In accordance with Section 14.3 of the Indenture, at their respective addresses set forth on the Note Register.

(e) If to the Holders of the Preference Shares:

In accordance with Section 14.3 of the Indenture, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent at the address identified therein.

(f) if to the Rating Agencies:

In accordance with Section 14.3 of the Indenture, to the Rating Agencies at the address identified therein.

Any party may alter the address or telecopy number to which communications or copies are to be sent by giving notice of such change of address in conformity with the provisions of this Section 17 for the giving of notice.

18. Binding Nature of Agreement; Successors and Assigns.

This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns as provided herein. The Servicer hereby consents to the collateral assignment of this Agreement as provided in the Indenture and further agrees that the Trustee may enforce the Servicer's obligations hereunder.

19. Entire Agreement.

This Agreement contains the entire agreement and understanding among the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements, understandings, inducements and conditions, express or implied, oral or written, of any

nature whatsoever with respect to the subject matter hercof. The express terms hereof control and supersede any course of performance and/or usage of the trade inconsistent with any of the terms hereof. This Agreement may not be modified or amended other than by an agreement in writing executed by the parties hereto and in accordance with the terms of Section 15.1(h) of the Indenture.

20. Conflict with the Indenture.

Subject to the last two sentences of Section 2(a)(i), in the event that this Agreement requires any action to be taken with respect to any matter and the Indenture requires that a different action be taken with respect to such matter, and such actions are mutually exclusive, the provisions of the Indenture in respect thereof shall control.

21. Priority of Payments.

The Servicer agrees that the payment of all amounts to which it is entitled pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture shall be due and payable only in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Indenture and only to the extent funds are available for such payments in accordance with such priorities.

22. Governing Law.

**THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS PROVISIONS THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION.**

The Servicer irrevocably submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or federal court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Notes, the Preference Shares or the Indenture, and the Servicer irrevocably agrees that all claims in respect of the action or proceeding may be heard and determined in the New York State or federal court. The Servicer irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent it may legally do so, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of the action or proceeding. The Servicer irrevocably consents to the service of all process in any action or proceeding by the mailing or delivery of copies of the process to it the address provided for in Section 14.3 of the Indenture. The Servicer agrees that a final and non-appealable judgment by a court of competent jurisdiction in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

23. Indulgences Not Waivers.

Neither the failure nor any delay on the part of any party hereto to exercise any right, remedy, power or privilege under this Agreement shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power or privilege preclude any other or further exercise of the same or of any other right, remedy, power or privilege, nor shall any waiver of any right, remedy, power or privilege with respect to any occurrence be construed as a waiver of such right, remedy, power or privilege with respect to any other occurrence. No waiver shall be effective unless it is in writing and is signed by the party asserted to have granted such waiver.

24. Costs and Expenses.

Except as may otherwise be agreed in writing, the costs and expenses (including the fees and disbursements of counsel and accountants) incurred by each party in connection with the negotiation and preparation of and the execution of this Agreement, and all matters incident thereto, shall be borne by such party.

25. Titles Not to Affect Interpretation.

The titles of paragraphs and subparagraphs contained in this Agreement are for convenience only, and they neither form a part of this Agreement nor are they to be used in the construction or interpretation hereof.

26. Execution in Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts by facsimile or other written form of communication, each of which shall be deemed to be an original as against any party whose signature appears thereon, and all of which shall together constitute one and the same instrument. This Agreement shall become binding when one or more counterparts hereof, individually or taken together, shall bear the signatures of all of the parties reflected hereon as the signatories.

27. Provisions Separable.

In case any provision in this Agreement shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable as written, such provision shall be construed in the manner most closely resembling the apparent intent of the parties with respect to such provision so as to be valid, legal and enforceable; provided, however, that if there is no basis for such a construction, such provision shall be ineffective only to the extent of such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability and, unless the ineffectiveness of such provision destroys the basis of the bargain for one of the parties to this Agreement, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions hereof or thereof shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

28. Number and Gender.

Words used herein, regardless of the number and gender specifically used, shall be deemed and construed to include any other number, singular or plural, and any other gender, masculine, feminine or neuter, as the context requires.

29. Written Disclosure Statement.

The Issuer and the Trustee acknowledge receipt of Part II of the Servicer's Form ADV filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, as required by Rule 204-3 under the Investment Advisers Act, more than 48 hours prior to the date of execution of this Agreement.

30. Miscellaneous.

(a) In the event that any vote is solicited with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall vote or refrain from voting any such security in any manner permitted by the Indenture that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities. In addition, with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, may instruct the trustee for such Defaulted Collateral Obligation to enforce the Issuer's rights under the Underlying Instruments governing such Defaulted

Collateral Obligation and any applicable law, rule or regulation in any manner permitted under the Indenture that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities. In the event any Offer is made with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, may take such action as is permitted by the Indenture and that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities.

(b) In connection with taking or omitting any action under the Indenture or this Agreement, the Servicer may consult with counsel and may rely in good faith on the advice of such counsel or any opinion of counsel.

Any corporation, partnership or limited liability company into which the Servicer may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any corporation, partnership or limited liability company resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Servicer shall be a party, or any corporation, partnership or limited liability company succeeding to all or substantially all of the asset servicing and collateral management business of the Servicer, shall be the successor to the Servicer without any further action by the Servicer, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person or entity.

31. Limitation of Liabilities.

The Issuer's obligations hereunder are solely the corporate obligations of the Issuer and the Servicer shall not have any recourse to any of the directors, officers, shareholders, members or incorporators of the Issuer with respect to any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations in connection with any transactions contemplated hereby. The obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be limited to the net proceeds of the Collateral, if any, and following realization of the Collateral and its application in accordance with the Indenture, any outstanding obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. The provisions of this section shall survive termination of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,  
as Servicer

BY: STRAND ADVISORS, INC.,  
as General Partner



By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Todd Travers, Assistant Secretary  
Title: Strand Advisors, Inc., General Partner of  
Highland Capital Management, L.P.

GREENBRIAR CLO, LTD.,  
as Issuer

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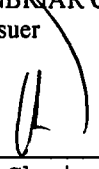
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Title:

GREENBRIAR CLO, LTD.,  
as Issuer

By:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Chris Marett  
Title: DIRECTOR



## ANNEX 1

### Certain Asset Acquisition Provisions

Unless otherwise noted, references to the Issuer in this Annex 1 include the Servicer and any other person acting on the Issuer's behalf. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein will have the meanings ascribed to them in the Indenture.

For purposes of this Annex 1,

“Affiliate” means, with respect to a specified Person, (a) any other Person that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls or is controlled by, or is under common control with, the specified Person and (b) any Person that is a member, director, officer or employee of (i) the specified Person or (ii) a Person described in clause (a) of this definition; and

“Person” means an individual, a corporation, a limited liability company, a partnership, an association, a trust or any other entity or organization, including a government or political subdivision or an agency or instrumentality thereof.

#### Section I. General Investment Restrictions.

Except as may otherwise be provided in this Annex 1, the Issuer (and the Servicer acting on the Issuer's behalf) shall only purchase debt securities, interests in loans and other assets (each a “Portfolio Obligation”) only in secondary-market transactions and shall not engage in any lending or underwriting activities or otherwise participate in the structuring or origination of any Portfolio Obligation.

##### A. Communications and Negotiations.

1. The Issuer will not have any communications or negotiations with the obligor of a Portfolio Obligation or a Reference Obligation (directly or indirectly through an intermediary such as the seller of such Portfolio Obligation or the Synthetic Security) in connection with the issuance or funding of such Portfolio Obligation or Reference Obligation or commitments with respect thereto, except for communications of an immaterial nature or customary due diligence communications; provided, that the Servicer may provide comments as to mistakes or inconsistencies in loan documents (including with respect to any provisions that are inconsistent with the terms and conditions of purchase of the loan by the Issuer).

2. By way of example, permitted due diligence activities may include, but are not limited to, (a) attendance at an obligor's general "roadshow" or other presentations to investment professionals, (b) direct private discussions with personnel of the obligor, arranged by a sponsor, lead bank or other arranger, and (c) other due diligence activities of the kind customarily performed by offerees of the type of Portfolio Obligation being offered, but in each case may not include any

negotiations with the obligor, employees or agents of the obligor of any terms or conditions of the Portfolio Obligation being offered.

3. Negotiations between the Servicer and the underwriter, placement agent or broker of a Portfolio Obligation are permitted solely to the extent that they are limited to responses to customary pre-offering period and offering period inquiries by the underwriter or placement agent (e.g., "If we offered you 10-year senior subordinated bonds of XYZ company, what spread would it require to interest you?" or "If you will not buy the bonds as offered, would you buy if we convinced the obligor to add a fixed charge coverage test?"). For purposes of this Section I.A., "negotiations" shall not include (i) commenting on offering documents to an unrelated underwriter or placement agent when the ability to comment was generally available to other offerees, or (ii) communicating certain objective criteria (such as the minimum yield or maturity) the Issuer generally uses in purchasing the relevant type of Portfolio Obligation.

4. The Issuer may consent or otherwise act with respect to amendments, supplements or other modifications of the terms of any Portfolio Obligation (other than a Subsidiary Obligation (as defined in Section III)) requiring consent or action after the date on which any such Portfolio Obligation is acquired by the Issuer if (a) such amendment, supplement or modification would not constitute a Significant Modification (as defined below), (b) (i) in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the obligor is in financial distress and such change in terms is desirable to protect the Issuer's interest and (ii) the Portfolio Obligation is described in clause 5(b) of this Section I.A., (c) the amendment or modification would not be treated as the acquisition of a new Portfolio Obligation under paragraph 5 of this Section I.A., or (d) otherwise, if it has received advice of counsel that its involvement in such amendment, supplement or modification will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business within the United States.

A "Significant Modification" means any amendment, supplement or other modification that involves (a) a change in the stated maturity or a change in the timing of any material payment of any Portfolio Obligation (including deferral of an interest payment), that would materially alter the weighted average life of the Portfolio Obligation, (b) any change (whether positive or negative) in the yield on the Portfolio Obligation immediately prior to the modification in excess of the greater of (i) 25 basis points or (ii) 5 percent of such unmodified yield, (c) any change involving a material new extension of credit, (d) a change in the obligor of any Portfolio Obligation (as determined for purposes of section 1001 of the Code), or (e) a material change in the collateral or security for any Portfolio Obligation, including the addition or deletion of a co-obligor or guarantor that results in a material change in payment expectations.

5. In the event the Issuer owns an interest in a Portfolio Obligation the terms of which are subsequently amended or modified, or in the case of a workout situation not described in Section III hereof, which Portfolio Obligation is

subsequently exchanged for new obligations or other securities of the obligor of the Portfolio Obligation, such amendments or modifications or exchange will not be treated as the acquisition of an interest in a new Portfolio Obligation for purposes of this Annex 1, provided, that (a) the Issuer does not, directly or indirectly (through the Servicer or otherwise), seek the amendments or modifications or the exchange, or participate in negotiating the amendments or modifications or the exchange, (b) at the time of original acquisition of the interest in the Portfolio Obligation, it was not reasonably anticipated that the terms of the Portfolio Obligation would, pursuant to a workout or other negotiation, subsequently be amended or modified and (c) the Issuer does not advance any additional funds except to maintain or protect its existing interest in the Portfolio Obligation.

B. Fees. The Issuer will not earn or receive from any Person any fee or other compensation for services, however denominated, in connection with its purchase or sale of a Portfolio Obligation or entering into a Synthetic Security; the foregoing prohibition shall not be construed to preclude the Issuer from receiving (i) commitment fees, facility maintenance fees or other similar fees that are received by the Issuer in connection with revolving or delayed drawdown Loans or synthetic or pre-funded letter of credit Loans; (ii) yield maintenance and prepayment penalty fees; (iii) fees on account of the Issuer's consenting to amendments, waivers or other modifications of the terms of any Portfolio Obligations; (iv) fees from permitted securities lending; or (v) upfront payments in lieu of periodic payments under a Synthetic Security. The Issuer will not provide services to any Person; the foregoing prohibition shall not be construed to preclude the Issuer from activities relating to the receipt of income described in (i) through (v) of the preceding sentence.

## Section II. Loans and Forward Purchase Commitments.

A. Any understanding or commitment to purchase a loan, a participation, or a loan subparticipation (collectively, "Loans") from a seller before completion of the closing and full funding of the Loan by such seller shall only be made pursuant to a forward sale agreement at an agreed price (stated as a dollar amount or as a percentage) (a "Forward Purchase Commitment"), unless such an understanding or commitment is not legally binding and neither the Issuer nor the Servicer is economically compelled (e.g., would otherwise be subject to a significant monetary penalty) to purchase the Loan following the completion of the closing and full funding of the Loan (i.e., the Servicer will make an independent decision whether to purchase such Loan on behalf of the Issuer after completion of the closing of the Loan) (a "Non-Binding Agreement").

B. No Forward Purchase Commitment or Non-Binding Agreement shall be made until after the seller (or a transferor to such seller of such Loan) has made a legally binding commitment to fully fund such Loan to the obligor thereof (subject to customary conditions), which commitment cannot be conditioned on the Issuer's ultimate purchase of such Loan from such seller.

C. In the event of any reduced or eliminated funding, the Issuer shall not receive any premium, fee, or other compensation in connection with having entered into the Forward Purchase Commitment or Non-Binding Agreement.

D. The Issuer shall not close any purchase of a Loan subject to a Forward Purchase Commitment or a Non-Binding Agreement earlier than 48 hours after the time of the closing of the Loan (i.e., execution of definitive documentation), and, in the case of a Forward Purchase Commitment, the Issuer's obligation to purchase such Loan is subject to the condition that no material adverse change has occurred in the financial condition of the Loan's obligor or the relevant market on or before the relevant purchase date.

E. The Issuer cannot have a contractual relationship with the obligor with respect to a Loan until the Issuer actually purchases the Loan.

F. The Issuer cannot be a signatory on the original lending agreement, and cannot be obligated to fund an assignment of or a participation in a Loan, prior to the time specified in subsection D above.

G. In addition to the restrictions otherwise applicable to Loans, the Issuer shall not acquire any synthetic or pre-funded letter of credit Loan unless (1) the cash collateral deposit with respect to such Loan was fully funded by a predecessor in interest with respect to such Loan; (2) the Loan is part of a credit facility that includes another Loan (other than a synthetic or pre-funded letter of credit Loan) to the same obligor, and is being acquired in connection with the acquisition of such other Loan and from the same seller as such other Loan, with the intent to hold both parts and with the amount of the other Loan being significantly in excess of the amount of the synthetic or pre-funded letter of credit Loan; (3) such synthetic or pre-funded letter of credit Loan satisfies the requirements set forth in Section VI.B., treating the synthetic or pre-funded letter of credit Loan, for this purpose, as though it were a delayed drawdown or revolving Loan; and (4) at no time may more than 5% of the aggregate principal amount of Portfolio Obligations consist of synthetic or pre-funded letter of credit Loans and, if a Loan requires the Issuer to participate in letter of credit issued or to be issued to a borrower other than in a synthetic or pre-funded letter of credit Loan, such Loan will only be acquired and held in connection with an interest in a related term Loan where the amount of such interest in the term Loan is at least as large as the Issuer's potential exposure under the letter of credit and all of the terms of any letter of credit in which the Issuer acquires an interest have been fully negotiated no later than the original legal document closing of such credit facility.

### Section III. Distressed Debt

A. The Issuer may only purchase a Debt Instrument that is a Potential Workout Obligation to the extent permitted by this Section III.

B. Neither the Issuer nor the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall purchase a Subsidiary Obligation from any Issuer Subsidiary.

C. Special Procedures for Subsidiary Obligations.

1. Potential Workout Obligations. On or prior to the date of acquisition, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall identify each Portfolio Obligation that is a Potential Workout Obligation.

2. Transfer of Subsidiary Obligations. From and after the occurrence of a Workout Determination Date with respect to a Subsidiary Obligation, neither the Issuer nor the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall knowingly take any action in respect of such Subsidiary Obligation that may result in the Issuer being engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes. As soon as practicable, but in any event within 30 calendar days following a Workout Determination Date, the Servicer shall cause the Issuer either (i) to sell or dispose of any Subsidiary Obligation identified on such Workout Determination Date to a Person that is not an Affiliate of the Issuer or Servicer or (ii) to assign any Subsidiary Obligation identified on such Workout Determination Date to an Issuer Subsidiary.

For purposes of this Annex 1, an "Issuer Subsidiary" means any wholly-owned corporate subsidiary of the Issuer to which a Special Workout Obligation may be transferred in accordance with this Annex 1.

3. Consideration for Assignment of Subsidiary Obligations. Consideration given by an Issuer Subsidiary for the assignment to it of Subsidiary Obligations may be in the form of cash or in the form of indebtedness of, or equity interests in, such Issuer Subsidiary.

4. Classification of Issuer Subsidiaries. Each Issuer Subsidiary shall be an entity treated as a corporation for United States federal income tax purposes.

As used herein:

"Potential Workout Obligation" means any debt instrument (any such instrument, including an interest in a Loan, a "Debt Instrument") which, as of the date of acquisition by the Issuer or an Issuer Subsidiary, based on information specific to such Debt Instrument or the circumstances of the obligor thereof, is a Workout Obligation or, in the reasonable determination of the Servicer, has a materially higher likelihood of becoming a Workout Obligation as compared to debt obligations that par or other non-distressed debt purchasers or funds relating to that asset type customarily purchase and expect to hold to maturity.

"Subsidiary Obligation" means any Potential Workout Obligation (a) as to which the Issuer on any Workout Determination Date either (i) owns more than 40% of the aggregate principal amount of such class of Potential Workout Obligation outstanding or (ii) is one of the two largest holders of any class of debt of the obligor of such Potential Workout Obligation (based on the outstanding principal amount of such class of debt owned by the Issuer as a percentage of the aggregate outstanding principal amount of such class of debt) unless not fewer than three other holders and the Issuer collectively own at least 65% of such class of

debt and, if the Issuer is the largest holder of such class, the Issuer's percentage of such class does not exceed the percentage held by the next largest holder of the debt by more than 5% of such class or (b) that would, upon foreclosure or exercise of similar legal remedies, result in the Issuer directly owning assets (other than securities treated as debt, equity in a partnership not engaged in a trade or business within the United States, or corporate equity for United States federal income tax purposes, provided in the case of corporate equity that the corporation is not a "United States real property holding corporation" within the meaning of section 897 of the Code) which (1) are "United States real property interests" within the meaning of section 897 of the Code or partnership or grantor trust interests for U.S. federal income tax purposes in entities engaged or that may be engaged in a United States trade or business or (2) the Servicer reasonably expects it would, on behalf of the Issuer, be required to actively manage to preserve the value of the Issuer's interest therein; provided that a Potential Workout Obligation shall not be treated as a Subsidiary Obligation if the Issuer obtains a Tax Opinion that, based on all the surrounding circumstances, the activities in which the Issuer intends to engage with respect to such Potential Workout Obligation will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes.

"Workout Determination Date" means any date on which, in connection with the occurrence of any event described in clauses (a) through (c), inclusive, of the definition of Workout Obligation, either (a) any material action by the Issuer is required to be taken, (b) the Servicer receives written notice that such material action shall be required or (c) the Servicer reasonably determines that the taking of such material action is likely to be required.

"Workout Obligation" means any Debt Instrument as to which the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer (a) consents to a Significant Modification in connection with the workout of a defaulted Portfolio Obligation, (b) participates in an official or unofficial committee or similar official or unofficial body in connection with a bankruptcy, reorganization, restructuring or similar proceeding, or (c) exercises, or has exercised on its behalf, rights of foreclosure or similar judicial remedies.

#### Section IV. Purchases from the Servicer or its Affiliates.

A. If the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer acted as an underwriter, placement or other agent, arranger, negotiator or structuror, or received any fee for services (it being understood that receipts described in clauses (i) through (v) of Section I.B. are not construed as so treated), in connection with the issuance or origination of a Portfolio Obligation or was a member of the original lending syndicate with respect to the Portfolio Obligation (any such Portfolio Obligation, a "Special Procedures Obligation"), the Issuer will not acquire any interest in such Special Procedures Obligation (including entering into a commitment or agreement, whether or not legally binding or enforceable, to acquire such obligation directly or synthetically), from the Servicer, an Affiliate of the Servicer, or a fund managed by the Servicer, unless (i) the Special Procedures Obligation has been outstanding for at least 90 days, (ii) the holder of the Special Procedures Obligation did not identify the obligation or security as intended for sale to the Issuer within 90 days of its

issuance, (iii) the price paid for such Special Procedures Obligation by the Issuer is its fair market value at the time of acquisition by the Issuer, and (iv) the transaction is proposed to, and the ultimate purchase is approved on behalf of the Issuer by, one or more Independent Advisors to the Issuer in accordance with the provisions of Section IV.B. below. The Issuer will not acquire any Special Procedures Obligation if, immediately following such acquisition, the fair market value of all Special Procedures Obligations owned by the Issuer would constitute more than 49% of the fair market value of all of the Issuer's assets at such time.

B. An "Independent Advisor" is a Person who is not an Affiliate of the Issuer, the Servicer or any fund managed by the Servicer.

1. The Issuer may not purchase or commit to enter into any such Special Procedures Obligation without prior approval by an Independent Advisor. If the Independent Advisor declines to approve a proposed Special Procedures Obligation, at least three months must elapse before any proposal with respect to the acquisition of debt or other obligations of the same obligor are proposed or considered.

2. The Issuer shall engage the Independent Advisor in an agreement the terms of which shall in substantial form set forth:

(a) the representation of the Independent Advisor, which the Servicer shall not know to be incorrect, that it has significant financial and commercial expertise, including substantial expertise and knowledge in and of the loan market and related investment arenas;

(b) the agreement between the Independent Advisor, the Issuer and the Servicer generally to the effect that (i) the Independent Advisor will operate pursuant to procedures consistent with maintaining his or her independence from the Servicer and its Affiliates, (ii) the Independent Advisor will have the sole authority and discretion to approve or reject purchase proposals made by the Servicer with respect to any Special Procedures Obligation, (iii) all proposals for the Issuer to acquire any Special Procedures Obligation will be first submitted to the Independent Advisor, (iii) the Servicer will prepare the materials it deems necessary to describe the Special Procedures Obligation to the Independent Advisor, (iv) the Investment Advisor will not be required to make any decision to accept or decline a Special Procedures Obligation at the price offered prior to its review of the materials prepared, plus any additional information requested by the Independent Advisor, and (v) no Independent Advisor may be proposed to be replaced by the Servicer, unless for cause or in the event of a resignation of such Independent Advisor; and

(c) such other commercially reasonable terms and conditions, including terms and conditions to the effect that (i) the Independent Advisor will be paid a reasonable fee for its services plus reimbursement of any reasonable

expenses incurred in performance of his or her responsibilities, (ii) the Independent Advisor may be removed or replaced only by a majority (whether by positive act or failure to object) of the probable equity owners (as determined for United States federal income tax purposes) of the Issuer, (iii) if at any time there is more than one Independent Advisor to the Issuer, a majority of such Independent Advisors must approve any Special Procedures Obligation subject to Independent Advisor approval, (iv) an Independent Advisor may not engage, directly or indirectly, in the negotiation of the terms of any Special Procedures Obligation to be acquired by the Issuer (provided however, that an Independent Advisor may negotiate with the Servicer or the seller with respect to the price and terms of the Issuer's purchase of the Special Procedures Obligation, provided further that the Independent Advisor will not make suggestions to the Servicer or any other person about alternative or modified terms of the underlying Special Procedures Obligation on which they might be willing to approve such a Special Procedures Obligation).

3. Any servicing agreement or other document under which the Servicer is granted signatory powers or other authority on behalf of the Issuer will provide that such powers or authority with respect to Special Procedures Obligations are conditioned upon the prior written approval of the Independent Advisor

4. No Special Procedures Obligation will be presented to an Independent Advisor until at least 90 days have elapsed since the later of (a) the execution of final documentation and (b) the funding in whole or part of the Special Procedures Obligation and there will have been no commitment or arrangement prior to that time that the Issuer will acquire any such Special Procedures Obligation; provided, further, that the Special Procedures Obligation will not be treated as outstanding for any day on which the Issuer enjoys the benefits and burdens of ownership (for example, because any Person has hedged its credit exposure to the Special Procedures Obligation with the Issuer).

5. The Issuer will have no obligation to, or understanding that it will refund, reimburse or indemnify any person (including an Affiliate of the Servicer), directly or indirectly, for "breakage" costs or other costs or expenses incurred by such person if the Independent Advisor determines that the Issuer should decline to purchase any Special Procedures Obligation.

6. Neither the Servicer nor any Affiliate of the Servicer will have any authority to enter into agreements, or take any action, on behalf of the Issuer with respect to Special Procedures Obligations without the prior written approval of an Independent Advisor. Except as may be conditioned upon such prior written approval, neither the Servicer nor any Affiliate of the Servicer may hold itself out as having signatory powers on behalf of the Issuer or authority to enter into agreements with respect to Special Procedures Obligations on behalf of the Issuer.



Section V. Synthetic Securities.

A. The Issuer shall not (i) acquire or enter into any Synthetic Security with respect to any Reference Obligation the direct acquisition of which would violate any provision of this Annex 1 or (ii) use Synthetic Securities as a means of making advances to the Synthetic Security Counterparty following the date on which the Synthetic Security is acquired or entered into (for the avoidance of doubt, the establishment of Synthetic Security collateral accounts and the payment of Synthetic Security Counterparties from the amounts on deposit therein, shall not constitute the making of advances).

B. With respect to each Synthetic Security, the Issuer will not acquire or enter into any Synthetic Security that does not satisfy all of the following additional criteria unless the Servicer has first received advice of counsel that the ownership and disposition of such Synthetic Security would not cause the Issuer to be engaged in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes:

1. the criteria used to determine whether to enter into any particular Synthetic Security was similar to the criteria used by the Servicer in making purchase decisions with respect to debt securities;
2. the Synthetic Security is acquired by or entered into by the Issuer for its own account and for investment purposes with the expectation of realizing a profit from income earned on the securities (and any potential rise in their value) during the interval of time between their purchase and sale or hedging purposes and not with an intention to trade or to sell for a short-term profit;
3. the Issuer enters into the Synthetic Security with a counterparty that is not a special purpose vehicle and is a broker-dealer or that holds itself out as in the business of entering into such contracts and is not an insurance company;
4. neither the Issuer nor any Person acting on behalf of the Issuer advertises or publishes the Issuer's ability to enter into Synthetic Securities;
5. except with respect to (x) credit-linked notes or similar Synthetic Securities and (y) any other Synthetic Securities where standard form ISDA documentation is not applicable, the Synthetic Security is written on standard form ISDA documentation;
6. the net payment from the Issuer to the Synthetic Security Counterparty is not determined based on an actual loss incurred by the Synthetic Security Counterparty or any other designated person;
7. there exists no agreement, arrangement or understanding that (i) the Synthetic Security Counterparty is required to own or hold the related Reference Obligation while the Synthetic Security remains in effect or (ii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty is economically or practically compelled to own or hold the

related physical Reference Obligation while the Synthetic Security remains in effect;

8. the Synthetic Security provides for (i) all cash settlement, (ii) all physical settlement or (iii) the option to either cash settle or physically settle; provided that, in the latter two cases, physical settlement provides the settling party the right to settle the Synthetic Security by delivering deliverable obligations which *may* include the Reference Obligation and the settling party must not be required to deliver the related Reference Obligation upon the settlement of such Synthetic Security.

Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, a Synthetic Security providing for physical settlement may require a party to deliver the related Reference Obligation if either:

(i) at the time the Issuer enters into such Synthetic Security, such Reference Obligation is readily available to purchasers generally in a liquid market; or

(ii) the advice of both United States federal income tax and insurance counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters is that, under the relevant facts and circumstances with respect to such Synthetic Security, the acquisition of such Synthetic Security will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis and should not cause the Issuer to be treated as writing insurance in the United States under the law of the state in which the Synthetic Security Counterparty is organized.

9. the Synthetic Security is not treated by the Issuer as insurance or a financial guarantee sold by the Issuer for United States or Cayman Islands regulatory purposes.

As used herein:

“Reference Obligation” means a debt security or other obligation upon which a Synthetic Security is based.

“Synthetic Security” means any swap transaction or security, other than a participation interest in a Loan, that has payments associated with either payments of interest and/or principal on a Reference Obligation or the credit performance of a Reference Obligation.

“Synthetic Security Counterparty” means an entity (other than the Issuer) required to make payments on a Synthetic Security (including any guarantor).

## Section VI. Other Types of Assets.

A. Equity Restrictions. The Issuer will not purchase any asset (directly or synthetically) that is:

1. not treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as debt if the issuing entity is a “partnership” (within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(2) of the Code) unless such entity is not engaged in a trade or business within the United States, or
2. a “United States real property interest” as defined in section 897 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.

The Issuer may cause an Issuer Subsidiary to acquire assets set forth in clause (i) or (ii) above (each, an “ETB/897 Asset”) in connection with the workout of defaulted Portfolio Obligations, so long as the acquisition of ETB/897 Assets by such Issuer Subsidiary will not cause the stock of such Issuer Subsidiary to be deemed to be an ETB/897 Asset.

B. Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans. All of the terms of any advance required to be made by the Issuer under any revolving or delayed drawdown Loan will be fixed as of the date of the Issuer’s purchase thereof (or will be determinable under a formula that is fixed as of such date), and the Issuer and the Servicer will not have any discretion (except for consenting or withholding consent to amendments, waivers or other modifications or granting customary waivers upon default) as to whether to make advances under such revolving or delayed drawdown Loan.

C. Securities Lending Agreements. The Issuer will not purchase any Portfolio Obligation primarily for the purpose of entering into a securities lending agreement with respect thereto.

D. Exception From Secondary Market Rule for Debt Securities. Any purchase of a Portfolio Obligation other than a Loan (a “Debt Security”) pursuant to a commitment, arrangement or other understanding made before or contemporaneously with completion of the closing and funding of such Debt Security issuance shall be made only in connection with one of the following:

(i) an underwriting of a registered public offering in which the seller has made a firm underwriting commitment to the issuer of such Debt Security where none of the Servicer or any Affiliate thereof acted as an underwriter or placement agent or participated in negotiating or structuring the terms of the Debt Security (other than to comment on offering documents to an unrelated underwriter or placement agent where the ability to comment was generally available to investors and to undertake due diligence of the kind customarily performed by investors in securities),

(ii) a private placement to qualified investors (pursuant to Rule 144A or Section 4(2) under the Securities Act or other similar arrangement) in which such Debt Security was originally issued pursuant to an offering circular, private placement memorandum, or similar offering document and none of the Servicer or any Affiliate thereof acted as a placement agent or underwriter or participated in

negotiating or structuring the terms of the Debt Security (other than to comment on offering documents to an unrelated underwriter or placement agent where the ability to comment was generally available to investors and to undertake due diligence of the kind customarily performed by investors in securities), or

(iii) an acquisition of or entry into a Synthetic Obligation in accordance with Section V. above;

If an Affiliate of the Servicer is acting as an underwriter or placement agent or an Affiliate of the Servicer or an employee of an Affiliate of the Servicer participated in the structuring of an issuance otherwise described in clause (i) or clause (ii) of this paragraph D, one of the following additional conditions must be met:

(x) the Servicer did not participate in negotiating or structuring the terms of the obligation or security (other than to comment on offering documents to an unrelated underwriter or placement agent where the ability to comment was generally available to investors and to undertake due diligence of the kind customarily performed by investors in securities) and the Issuer purchases no more than 33% of the aggregate principal amount of the tranche of securities (or other instruments) of which such Debt Security is a part and more than 50% of the aggregate principal amount of such tranche is substantially contemporaneously sold to one or more Persons unrelated to the Servicer (and who have not given the Servicer discretionary trading authority) on terms and conditions substantially the same as those on which the Issuer is to purchase,

(y) the Servicer did not participate in negotiating or structuring the terms of the obligation or security (other than to comment on offering documents to an unrelated underwriter or placement agent where the ability to comment was generally available to investors and to undertake due diligence of the kind customarily performed by investors in securities) and the Issuer purchases less than 33% of the aggregate principal amount of all tranches issued as part of the transaction in which the Debt Security was issued and more than 50% of the aggregate principal amount of such tranches are substantially contemporaneously sold to one or more Persons unrelated to the Servicer (and who have not given the Servicer discretionary trading authority) on terms and conditions substantially the same as those on which the Issuer is to purchase, or

(z) such security or obligation satisfies the requirements and procedures applicable to Special Procedures Obligations in Section IV as though it were a Loan;

provided, however, in either of (x) or (y), the Affiliate of the Servicer was (or the employees of the Affiliate of the Servicer were) acting as an underwriter or placement agent (or otherwise participated in the structuring of such issuance) solely as, or solely as an employee of, a Permitted Affiliate (as defined below); and provided further, that for purposes of calculating the total principal amount sold to related parties under this paragraph D, purchases by Affiliates will be considered purchases by persons unrelated to

the Servicer so long as the Servicer has no knowledge of such purchases and has no reason to know of such purchases.

"Permitted Affiliate" means any Affiliate (i) that is a separate legal entity that is operated independently of the Servicer, (ii) whose personnel are not managed by and who do not report to the personnel of the Servicer, and (iii) whose personnel are not compensated based upon the performance of the Servicer.

Section VII. General Restrictions on the Issuer. The Issuer itself shall not:

- A. hold itself out, through advertising or otherwise, as originating Loans, lending funds, or making a market in or dealing in Loans or other assets;
- B. register as, hold itself out as, or become subject to regulatory supervision or other legal requirements under the laws of any country or political subdivision thereof as, a broker-dealer, a bank, an insurance company, financial guarantor, a surety bond issuer, or a company engaged in Loan origination;
- C. knowingly take any action causing it to be treated as a bank, insurance company, or company engaged in Loan origination for purposes of any tax, securities law or other filing or submission made to any governmental authority;
- D. hold itself out, through advertising or otherwise, as originating, funding, guaranteeing or insuring debt obligations or as being willing and able to enter into transactions (either purchases or sales of debt obligations or entries into, assignments or terminations of hedging or derivative instruments, including Synthetic Securities) at the request of others;
- E. treat Synthetic Securities as insurance, reinsurance, indemnity bonds, guaranties, guaranty bonds or suretyship contracts for any purpose;
- F. allow any non-U.S. bank or lending institution who is a holder of a Security to control or direct the Servicer's or Issuer's decision to acquire a particular asset except as otherwise allowed to such a holder, acting in that capacity, under the related indenture or acquire a Portfolio Obligation conditioned upon a particular person or entity holding Securities;
- G. acquire any asset the holding or acquisition of which the Servicer knows would cause the Issuer to be subject to income tax on a net income basis;
- H. hold any security as nominee for another person; or
- I. buy securities with the intent to subdivide them and sell the components or to buy securities and sell them with different securities as a package or unit.

Section VIII. Tax Opinion; Amendments.

A. In furtherance and not in limitation of this Annex 1, the Servicer shall comply with all of the provisions set forth in this Annex 1, unless, with respect to a particular transaction, the Servicer acting on behalf of the Issuer and the Trustee shall have received written advice of McKee Nelson LLP, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP or Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP or an opinion of other counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters (a "Tax Opinion"), that, under the relevant facts and circumstances with respect to such transaction, the Servicer's failure to comply with one or more of such provisions will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis.

B. The provisions set forth in the Annex 1 may be amended, eliminated or supplemented by the Servicer if the Issuer, the Servicer and the Trustee shall have received a Tax Opinion that the Servicer's compliance with such amended provisions or supplemental provisions or the failure to comply with such provisions proposed to be eliminated, as the case may be, will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis.

## **EXHIBIT FF**

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**Jasper CLO Ltd.**  
**Jasper CLO Corp.**

U.S. \$521,500,000 Class A Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2017  
 U.S. \$35,000,000 Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2017  
 U.S. \$35,000,000 Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2017  
 U.S. \$33,500,000 Class D-1 Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2017  
 U.S. \$5,000,000 Class D-2 Fixed Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2017  
 70,000 Preference Shares  
 U.S. \$10,000,000 Class 1 Extendable Composite Securities Due 2017  
 U.S. \$5,000,000 Class 2 Extendable Composite Securities Due 2017

Jasper CLO Ltd. (the “**Issuer**”) and Jasper CLO Corp. (the “**Co-Issuer**” and, together with the Issuer, the “**Co-Issuers**”) will issue the Class A Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the “**Class A Notes**”), the Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the “**Class B Notes**”), the Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes (the “**Class C Notes**”) (the principal amount of which as set forth above shall be inclusive of the Class C Component of the Composite Securities), the Class D-1 Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes (the “**Class D-1 Notes**”), the Class D-2 Fixed Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes (the “**Class D-2 Notes**”) and, together with the Class D-1 Notes, the “**Class D Notes**” and, the Class D Notes together with the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes, the “**Notes**”) (the principal amount of which as set forth above shall be inclusive of the Class D-2 Component of the Composite Securities) and the Issuer will individually issue the Class 1 Extendable Composite Securities (the “**Class 1 Composite Securities**”) consisting of (i) a component entitling its holders to rights in respect of 5,000 Preference Shares (the “**Class 1 Preference Share Component**”) and (ii) a component entitling its holder to rights in respect of \$5,000,000 Class D-2 Notes (the “**Class D-2 Component**”), the Class 2 Extendable Composite Securities (the “**Class 2 Composite Securities**” and, together with the Class 1 Composite Securities, the “**Composite Securities**”) consisting of (i) a Preference Share Component entitling its holders to rights in respect of 1,000 Preference Shares (the “**Class 2 Preference Share Component**” and, together with the Class 1 Preference Share Component, the “**Preference Share Components**”) and (ii) a component entitling its holder to rights in respect of \$4,000,000 Class C Notes (the “**Class C Component**” and, together with the Class D-2 Component, the “**Note Components**” and, the Note Components together with the Preference Share Components and the Class D-2 Component, the “**Components**”) and the Preference Shares, U.S.\$0.01 par value per share (the “**Preference Shares**” and, together with the Notes and the Composite Securities, the “**Securities**”) (the number of which as set forth above shall be inclusive of the Preference Share Components of the Composite Securities), in each case in the aggregate principal amounts or number of Preference Shares as described above. The Notes and the Composite Securities will be issued on or about June 29, 2005 (the “**Closing Date**”) pursuant to an Indenture, dated as of June 29, 2005 (the “**Indenture**”), among the Co-Issuers and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as Trustee (the “**Trustee**”). The Preference Shares will be issued on or about the Closing Date pursuant to and subject to the terms of the Preference Share Documents. The Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Composite Securities and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares are subject to multiple extensions to the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (in the case of the Notes and the Composite Securities) and the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (in the case of the Preference Shares), if the Issuer provides timely notice and the Extension Conditions are satisfied as described herein.

The net proceeds of the offering of the Securities will be applied by the Issuer to repurchase participation interests in certain Collateral Obligations sold to finance the purchase of such Collateral Obligations prior to the Closing Date and to purchase additional Collateral Obligations on and after the Closing Date, all of which will be pledged under the Indenture by the Issuer to the Trustee for the benefit of the secured parties named therein. See “Use of Proceeds.” Highland Capital Management, L.P. will serve as portfolio manager for the Issuer’s portfolio.

The initial offer price of the Securities is 100%.

**For a discussion of certain factors regarding the Issuer and the Securities that, among other things, should be considered by prospective purchasers of the Securities, see “Risk Factors.”**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN, AND WILL NOT BE, REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “**SECURITIES ACT**”) AND NEITHER THE ISSUER NOR THE CO-ISSUER WILL BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**”). THE SECURITIES WILL BE OFFERED AND SOLD TO NON-U.S. PERSONS (AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT (“**REGULATION S**”)) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN RELIANCE ON REGULATION S. THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, U.S. PERSONS EXCEPT TO PERSONS THAT ARE (I) ACCREDITED INVESTORS AS DEFINED IN RULE 501(A) OF REGULATION D UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT (EACH, AN “**ACCREDITED INVESTOR**”) IN RELIANCE ON THE EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS PROVIDED BY SECTION 4(2) OF THE SECURITIES ACT AND (II) (A) QUALIFIED PURCHASERS FOR PURPOSES OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT (EACH, A “**QUALIFIED PURCHASER**”), (B) SOLELY IN THE CASE OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES AND THE COMPOSITE SECURITIES, KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEES (EACH, A “**KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEE**”) (AS DEFINED IN RULE 3c-5 OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT) OR (C) AN ENTITY OWNED EXCLUSIVELY BY QUALIFIED PURCHASERS AND/OR, SOLELY IN THE CASE OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES AND THE COMPOSITE SECURITIES, KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEES, AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANY OTHER APPLICABLE LAW. THE SECURITIES ARE NOT TRANSFERABLE EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS DESCRIBED UNDER “TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS.”

The Notes, the Composite Securities and a portion of the Preference Shares (the “**Placed Securities**”) are being offered on a reasonable efforts basis through IXIS Securities North America Inc. and IXIS Corporate & Investment Bank (each, a “**Placement Agent**”), from time to time at varying prices in negotiated transactions subject to prior sale, when, as and if issued. The Placement Agents reserve the right to withdraw, cancel or modify such offer and to reject orders in whole or in part. The remaining Preference Shares will be offered and sold by the Issuer directly to the Portfolio Manager and/or its Affiliates and the Placement Agents are not acting as placement agents or initial purchasers with respect to the offering of such portion of Preference Shares.

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Payment of interest on, and principal of, the Notes will be made by the Issuer in U.S. Dollars on the first day of each February, May, August and November of each year (or if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day) (each such date a “**Payment Date**”), commencing November, 2005, to the extent of available cash flow in respect of the Collateral in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Each Class of Notes will bear interest at the per annum rates set forth under “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.” The Preference Shares will receive as dividends certain amounts available for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

The Notes will be subject to Optional Redemption in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period, in each case at the direction of the Holders of at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares. The Notes will be subject to mandatory redemption on any Payment Date, to the extent that any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied, as described herein. The Notes will be subject to Special Redemption, at the discretion of the Portfolio Manager, to the extent that at any time during the Reinvestment Period, the Portfolio Manager cannot identify satisfactory Collateral Obligations for investment of Collection Account funds. After redemption in full of the Notes, the Preference Shares will be subject to Optional Redemption in whole or in part on any Payment Date by the Issuer at the direction of the Holders of the requisite percentage of the Preference Shares at the applicable Redemption Price pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted; *provided, however*, that the Preference Shares must be redeemed on or prior to the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. See “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption,” “—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes,” “—Special Redemption of Notes If the Portfolio Manager Does Not Identify Investments as Contemplated by the Indenture” and “—Priority of Payments.” The principal amount of the Notes (including Note Components) will be payable at the Stated Maturity, unless redeemed or paid in full prior thereto. The Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components) are scheduled to be redeemed at their Redemption Price on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, unless redeemed prior thereto.

Certain pledged assets of the Issuer are the sole source of payments on the Securities. The Securities do not represent an interest in or obligations of, and are not insured or guaranteed by, the Holders of the Preference Shares, the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, any paying agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty or any of their respective Affiliates.

**Application will be made to list the Securities (other than the Preference Shares) on the Irish Stock Exchange. However, there can be no assurance that the Irish Stock Exchange will in fact accept the listing of the such Securities or, if accepted, that such listing will be maintained.**

Except as otherwise specified herein or as the context may otherwise require or dictate or unless the Composite Securities are explicitly addressed in the same context, (A) all references in this Offering Memorandum to the “Class C Notes,” the “Class D-2 Notes” and the “Preference Shares” include the “Class C Component,” the “Class D-2 Component” and the “Preference Share Components,” respectively, of the Composite Securities, (B) all references in this Offering Memorandum to the rights of the Holders of the Class C Notes, the Holders of the Class D-2 Notes and Holders of the Preference Shares (including with respect to any payments, distributions, redemptions, votes or consents to be given by such Holders) include the rights of the Holders of the Composite Securities to the extent of the Class C Component, the Class D-2 Component and the Preference Share Components, respectively, of the Composite Securities.

The initial principal amount of the Class C Notes and the Class D-2 Notes and the Face Amount of the Preference Shares to which the components of the Composite Securities relate, are included in (and is not

in addition to) the initial principal amount of the Class C Notes and the Class D-2 Notes and the Face Amount of the Preference Shares described herein.

It is a condition of the issuance of the Securities that (i) the Class A Notes be rated at least “Aaa” by Moody’s Investors Service, Inc. (“**Moody’s**”) and at least “AAA” by Standard & Poor’s Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. (“**S&P**” and, together with Moody’s, the “**Rating Agencies**”), (ii) the Class B Notes be rated at least “Aa2” by Moody’s and at least “AA” by S&P, (iii) the Class C Notes be rated at least “A2” by Moody’s and at least “A” by S&P, (iv) the Class D Notes be rated at least “Baa2” by Moody’s and at least “BBB” by S&P, (v) the Class 1 Composite Securities be rated at least “Baa3” by Moody’s and (vi) the Class 2 Composite Securities be rated at least “A2” by Moody’s. The Class 1 Composite Securities are rated only as to the ultimate payment of their Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance and Class 2 Composite Securities are rated as to the ultimate payment of their Class 2 Composite Security Rated Balance and Class 2 Composite Security Rated Coupon. Each of the above ratings assume that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date. A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning Rating Agency. The Preference Shares will not be rated by any credit rating agency.

No person has been authorized to make or provide any representation or information regarding the Co-Issuers or the Securities other than as contained in this Offering Memorandum. Any such representation or information should not be relied upon as having been authorized by the Co-Issuers or the Placement Agents. The delivery of this Offering Memorandum at any time does not imply that the information contained in it is correct as of any time subsequent to the date of this Offering Memorandum. The Co-Issuers disclaim any obligation to update such information and do not intend to do so. Unless otherwise indicated, all information in this Offering Memorandum is given as of the date of this Offering Memorandum.

This Offering Memorandum has been prepared by the Co-Issuers solely for use in connection with the listing of the Securities (other than the Preference Shares) and the offering of the Securities as described herein. Unless as otherwise provided herein, the Co-Issuers have taken reasonable care to ensure that facts stated in this Offering Memorandum are true and accurate in all material respects and that there have not been omitted material facts the omission of which would make misleading in any material respect any statements of fact or opinion herein. The Co-Issuers accept responsibility accordingly.

The information appearing in the section entitled “The Portfolio Manager” has been prepared by the Portfolio Manager and has not been independently verified by the Placement Agents or the Co-Issuers. The Placement Agents and the Co-Issuers do not assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness, or applicability of such information, except that the Co-Issuers assume responsibility for accurately reproducing such information in this Offering Memorandum.

None of the Placement Agents or (except with respect to the section entitled “**The Portfolio Manager**”) the Portfolio Manager makes any representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the accuracy or completeness of the information in this Offering Memorandum. Each person receiving this Offering Memorandum acknowledges that such person has not relied on the Placement Agents or (except with respect to the section entitled “**The Portfolio Manager**”) the Portfolio Manager or any person affiliated therewith, in connection with its investigation of the accuracy of such information or its investment decision. Each person contemplating making an investment in the Securities must make its own investigation and analysis of the creditworthiness of the Co-Issuers and its own determination of the suitability of any such investment, with particular reference to its own investment objectives and experience, and any other factors that may be relevant to it in connection with such investment.

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION OR OTHER REGULATORY AUTHORITY, AND NONE OF THE FOREGOING AUTHORITIES HAS CONFIRMED THE ACCURACY OR DETERMINED THE ADEQUACY OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

This Offering Memorandum contains summaries of certain documents. The summaries do not purport to be complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to such documents. Each person receiving this Offering Memorandum acknowledges that such person has been afforded an opportunity to request from the Issuer and to review, and has received, all additional information considered by such person to be necessary to verify the accuracy and completeness of the information herein. Requests and inquiries regarding this Offering Memorandum or such documents should be directed to the Issuer, in care of IXIS Securities North America Inc., 9 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street, 36<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York, 10019, Attention: Structured Credit Products Group. Such requests may also be made to the Listing Agent at the address set forth on the final page of this Offering Memorandum.

The Securities are a new issue of securities. There can be no assurance that a secondary market for any of the Securities will develop, or if a secondary market does develop, that it will provide the holders of such Securities with liquidity of investment or that it will continue. Accordingly, investors should be prepared to bear the risks of holding the Securities until final payment is made thereon.

THE CONTENTS OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM ARE NOT TO BE CONSTRUED AS ACCOUNTING, LEGAL, BUSINESS OR TAX ADVICE. EACH PROSPECTIVE INVESTOR SHOULD CONSULT ITS OWN ACCOUNTANT, ATTORNEY, BUSINESS ADVISOR AND TAX ADVISOR AS TO LEGAL, BUSINESS AND TAX ADVICE. NONE OF THE CO-ISSUERS, THE PLACEMENT AGENTS, THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER OR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES MAKES ANY REPRESENTATION TO ANY OFFEREE OF THE SECURITIES REGARDING THE LEGALITY OF AN INVESTMENT THEREIN BY SUCH OFFEREE UNDER APPLICABLE LEGAL INVESTMENT OR SIMILAR LAWS OR REGULATIONS OR THE PROPER CLASSIFICATION OF SUCH AN INVESTMENT THEREUNDER.

This Offering Memorandum does not constitute an offer of, or an invitation by or on behalf of, the Co-Issuers (in respect of the Notes) or the Issuer (in respect of the Composite Securities and the Preference Shares) or the Placement Agents to subscribe to or purchase any of the Securities in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful to make such an offer or invitation. The distribution of this Offering Memorandum and the offering of the Securities in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law. Persons into whose possession this Offering Memorandum comes are required by the Co-Issuers and the Placement Agents to inform themselves about and to observe any such restrictions. For a description of certain further restrictions on offers and sales of Securities and distribution of this Offering Memorandum, see "Description of the Securities," "Plan of Distribution" and "Transfer Restrictions."

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has been registered under the Investment Company Act. Each purchaser of Notes represented by an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will be deemed to represent and agree that the purchaser is acquiring such Notes in a principal amount of not less than U.S.\$250,000, and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof for such purchaser and each account for which such purchaser is purchasing such Notes and that the purchaser and each such account is a Qualified Purchaser. Each purchaser of Preference Shares or Composite Securities that is a U.S. Person will be required to represent and agree that (i) the purchaser is (a) acquiring such Preference Shares in a number of not less than 100 Preference Shares and in integral multiples of one Preference Share in excess thereof for such purchaser or (b) acquiring such Composite Securities in a principal amount of not less than U.S. \$100,000, and integral multiples of U.S.\$10,000 in excess thereof for such purchaser and (ii) each account

for which such purchaser is purchasing such Preference Shares or Composite Securities and the purchaser and each such account is (a) a Qualified Purchaser, (b) a Knowledgeable Employee or (c) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees. See “Transfer Restrictions.”

No invitation to subscribe for the Securities may be made to the public in the Cayman Islands.

Prospective purchasers are hereby notified that a seller of the Securities may be relying on an exemption from the registration requirements of Section 5 of the Securities Act provided by Section 4(2) of the Securities Act.

In this Offering Memorandum references to “Dollars,” “\$” and “U.S.\$” are dollars or other equivalent units in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for all debts, public and private.

**NO ACTION WAS TAKEN OR IS BEING CONTEMPLATED BY THE CO-ISSUERS THAT WOULD PERMIT A PUBLIC OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES OR POSSESSION OR DISTRIBUTION OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY AMENDMENT THEREOF, OR SUPPLEMENT THERETO OR ANY OTHER OFFERING MATERIAL RELATING TO THE SECURITIES IN ANY JURISDICTION (OTHER THAN IRELAND) WHERE, OR IN ANY OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH, ACTION FOR THOSE PURPOSES IS REQUIRED. NOTHING CONTAINED HEREIN SHALL CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO SELL OR A SOLICITATION OF AN OFFER TO PURCHASE ANY SECURITIES IN ANY JURISDICTION WHERE IT IS UNLAWFUL TO DO SO ABSENT THE TAKING OF SUCH ACTION OR THE AVAILABILITY OF AN EXEMPTION THEREFROM.**

#### **NOTICE TO NEW HAMPSHIRE RESIDENTS**

NEITHER THE FACT THAT A REGISTRATION STATEMENT OR AN APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE HAS BEEN FILED UNDER CHAPTER 421-B OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE REVISED STATUTES WITH THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE NOR THE FACT THAT A SECURITY IS EFFECTIVELY REGISTERED OR A PERSON IS LICENSED IN THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CONSTITUTES A FINDING BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE THAT ANY DOCUMENT FILED UNDER RSA 421-B IS TRUE, COMPLETE AND NOT MISLEADING. NEITHER ANY SUCH FACT NOR THE FACT THAT AN EXEMPTION OR EXCEPTION IS AVAILABLE FOR A SECURITY OR A TRANSACTION MEANS THAT THE SECRETARY OF STATE HAS PASSED IN ANY WAY UPON THE MERITS OR QUALIFICATIONS OF, OR RECOMMENDED OR GIVEN APPROVAL TO, ANY PERSON, SECURITY, OR TRANSACTION. IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE, OR CAUSE TO BE MADE, TO ANY PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER, CUSTOMER, OR CLIENT ANY REPRESENTATION INCONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PARAGRAPH.

#### **NOTICE TO FLORIDA RESIDENTS**

THE SECURITIES ARE OFFERED PURSUANT TO A CLAIM OF EXEMPTION UNDER SECTION 517.061 OF THE FLORIDA SECURITIES ACT AND HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER SAID ACT IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA. ALL FLORIDA RESIDENTS WHO ARE NOT INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 517.061(7) OF THE FLORIDA SECURITIES ACT HAVE THE RIGHT TO VOID THEIR PURCHASE OF THE SECURITIES, WITHOUT PENALTY, WITHIN THREE (3) DAYS AFTER THE FIRST TENDER OF CONSIDERATION.

### **NOTICE TO GEORGIA RESIDENTS**

THE SECURITIES WILL BE ISSUED OR SOLD IN RELIANCE ON PARAGRAPH (13) OF CODE SECTION 10-5-9 OF THE GEORGIA SECURITIES ACT OF 1973, AND MAY NOT BE SOLD OR TRANSFERRED EXCEPT IN A TRANSACTION WHICH IS EXEMPT UNDER SUCH ACT OR PURSUANT TO AN EFFECTIVE REGISTRATION UNDER SUCH ACT.

### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF AUSTRALIA**

NEITHER THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM NOR ANY OTHER PROSPECTUS OR DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT IN RELATION TO THE SECURITIES HAS BEEN LODGED WITH, OR REGISTERED BY, THE AUSTRALIAN SECURITIES AND INVESTMENTS COMMISSION (“ASIC”).

- (1) NO OFFER OR INVITATION OF AN OFFER OF THE SECURITIES FOR ISSUE OR SALE HAS BEEN MADE OR WILL BE MADE IN AUSTRALIA (INCLUDING AN OFFER OR INVITATION WHICH IS RECEIVED BY A PERSON IN AUSTRALIA); AND
- (2) NO DISTRIBUTION OR PUBLICATION OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY OTHER OFFERING MATERIAL OR ADVERTISEMENT RELATING TO THE SECURITIES IN AUSTRALIA HAS BEEN MADE OR WILL BE MADE, UNLESS (A) THE MINIMUM AGGREGATE CONSIDERATION PAYABLE BY EACH OFFEREE IS AT LEAST A\$500,000 (DISREGARDING MONEYS LENT BY THE OFFEROR OR ITS ASSOCIATES) OR THE OFFER OTHERWISE DOES NOT REQUIRE DISCLOSURE TO INVESTORS IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 6D.2 OF THE CORPORATIONS ACT, AND (B) SUCH ACTION COMPLIES WITH ALL APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS.

### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF AUSTRIA**

THE SECURITIES MAY ONLY BE OFFERED IN THE REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE AUSTRIAN CAPITAL MARKET ACT AND OTHER LAWS APPLICABLE IN THE REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA GOVERNING THE OFFER, ISSUE AND SALE OF THE SECURITIES IN THE REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA. THE SECURITIES ARE NOT REGISTERED OR OTHERWISE AUTHORISED FOR PUBLIC OFFER EITHER UNDER THE CAPITAL MARKET ACT, THE INVESTMENT FUND ACT OR ANY OTHER SECURITIES REGULATION IN AUSTRIA. THE RECIPIENTS OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM AND OTHER SELLING MATERIAL IN RESPECT OF THE SECURITIES HAVE BEEN INDIVIDUALLY SELECTED AND ARE TARGETED EXCLUSIVELY ON THE BASIS OF A PRIVATE PLACEMENT. THE SECURITIES ARE EXCLUSIVELY OFFERED TO A LIMITED NUMBER OF INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS AND ARE THEREFORE NOT SUBJECT TO THE PUBLIC OFFERING REQUIREMENTS OF THE AUSTRIAN CAPITAL MARKETS ACT (SECTION 3 PARA 1 ITEM 11). ACCORDINGLY, THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE, AND ARE NOT BEING, OFFERED OR ADVERTISED PUBLICLY OR OFFERED IN A SIMILAR MANNER UNDER EITHER THE CAPITAL MARKET ACT, THE INVESTMENT FUND ACT OR ANY OTHER SECURITIES REGULATION IN AUSTRIA. THIS OFFER MAY NOT BE MADE TO ANY OTHER PERSONS THAN THE RECIPIENTS TO WHOM THIS DOCUMENT IS PERSONALLY ADDRESSED. ANY INVESTOR INTENDING TO OFFER AND RESELL THE SECURITIES IN AUSTRIA IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE THAT ANY OFFER AND RESALE TAKES PLACE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE AUSTRIAN CAPITAL MARKET ACT, THE INVESTMENT FUND ACT OR ANY OTHER APPLICABLE SECURITIES REGULATION.

### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF BELGIUM**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM AND THE PROPOSED OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE SUBMITTED TO, AND HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED BY, THE BELGIAN BANKING, FINANCE AND INSURANCE COMMISSION (*COMMISSIE VOOR HET BANK-, FINANCIE- EN ASSURANTIEWEZEN / COMMISSION BANCAIRE, FINANCIÈRE ET DES ASSURANCES*). THE OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES TO THE PUBLIC IN BELGIUM WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE BELGIAN ACT OF APRIL 22, 2003 RELATING TO THE PUBLIC OFFERINGS OF SECURITIES, AND THE BELGIAN ROYAL DECREE OF JULY 7, 1999 ON THE PUBLIC NATURE OF FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS AND THE REGULATIONS ENACTED THEREUNDER, HAS NOT BEEN AUTHORISED. THE OFFERING MAY THEREFORE NOT BE ADVERTISED IN BELGIUM, AND THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD, TRANSFERRED OR DELIVERED TO, OR SUBSCRIBED TO BY, AND THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY OTHER INFORMATION IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING MAY NOT BE DISTRIBUTED, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, TO, ANY INDIVIDUAL OR LEGAL ENTITY IN BELGIUM, OTHER THAN IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH DO NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER OF THE SECURITIES TO THE PUBLIC IN BELGIUM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AFOREMENTIONED RULES AND REGULATIONS.

### **NOTICES TO RESIDENTS IN THE PROVINCES OF QUEBEC, ONTARIO AND BRITISH COLUMBIA IN CANADA**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS NOT, AND UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES IS TO BE CONSTRUED AS, AN ADVERTISEMENT OR PUBLIC OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES DESCRIBED HEREIN. NO SECURITIES COMMISSION OR SIMILAR AUTHORITY IN CANADA HAS IN ANY WAY PASSED JUDGMENT ON THE MERITS OF THE SECURITIES DESCRIBED HEREIN AND ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS AN OFFENCE.

NO INVITATION MAY BE MADE TO THE PUBLIC IN THE PROVINCES OF QUEBEC, ONTARIO AND BRITISH COLUMBIA IN CANADA TO SUBSCRIBE FOR THE SECURITIES. NO PRELIMINARY OR FINAL PROSPECTUS IS BEING FILED WITH THE SECURITIES COMMISSIONS OF THE SAID PROVINCES IN CANADA WITH RESPECT TO THE OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES, WHICH IS BEING MADE SOLELY PURSUANT TO EXEMPTIONS FROM PROSPECTUS REQUIREMENTS UNDER SECURITIES LEGISLATION OF THE SAID PROVINCES IN CANADA. THE ISSUER DOES NOT INTEND TO BECOME A 'REPORTING ISSUER' PURSUANT TO APPLICABLE CANADIAN SECURITIES LEGISLATION AND ACCORDINGLY IT IS NOT INTENDED THAT THE SECURITIES WILL EVER BECOME FREELY TRADABLE IN THE PROVINCES OF QUEBEC, ONTARIO AND BRITISH COLUMBIA. INVESTORS OF SECURITIES WILL BE PERMITTED TO RESELL SUCH SECURITIES ONLY PURSUANT TO AVAILABLE EXEMPTIONS FROM THE PROSPECTUS REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES LAW OF THE SAID PROVINCES IN CANADA.

### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS IN THE PROVINCE OF QUEBEC, CANADA**

THE OFFERING AND SALE OF THE SECURITIES MUST BE TO EITHER "SOPHISTICATED PURCHASERS" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTIONS 43, 44 AND 45 OF THE SECURITIES ACT (QUEBEC) OR PURCHASERS PURCHASING AS PRINCIPAL FOR THEIR OWN ACCOUNT THE SPECIFIED SECURITIES OF THE ISSUER HAVING A TOTAL COST OF SUBSCRIPTION OR PURCHASE IN EACH CASE OF AT LEAST CAD\$150,000.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO, CANADA**

THIS OFFERING OF SPECIFIED SECURITIES IS BEING MADE PURSUANT TO EXEMPTIONS FROM THE PROSPECTUS REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO. INVESTORS RESIDENT IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO MUST BE PERSONS WHO ARE ACCREDITED INVESTORS UNDER ONTARIO SECURITIES COMMISSION RULE 45-501 EXEMPT DISTRIBUTIONS AND ARE PURCHASING AS PRINCIPAL.

IF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM, TOGETHER WITH ANY AMENDMENT HERETO, CONTAINS AN UNTRUE STATEMENT OF A MATERIAL FACT OR OMITS TO STATE A MATERIAL FACT THAT IS REQUIRED TO BE STATED OR IS NECESSARY IN ORDER TO MAKE ANY STATEMENT HEREIN NOT FALSE OR MISLEADING IN THE LIGHT OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH IT WAS MADE (HEREIN CALLED A “**MISREPRESENTATION**”) AND IT WAS A MISREPRESENTATION, ON THE DATE OF INVESTMENT, AN INVESTOR TO WHOM THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM WAS DELIVERED AND WHO PURCHASES THE SECURITIES OFFERED HEREUNDER SHALL HAVE, SUBJECT AS HEREINAFTER IN THIS PARAGRAPH PROVIDED, A RIGHT OF ACTION FOR DAMAGES OR ALTERNATIVELY, WHILE STILL THE OWNER OF THE SECURITIES, FOR RESCISSION, AGAINST THE ISSUER PROVIDED THAT:

(A) THE RIGHT OF ACTION FOR RESCISSION WILL BE EXERCISABLE ONLY IF THE INVESTOR GIVES NOTICE TO THE ISSUER NOT LATER THAN 180 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF INVESTMENT;

(B) THE RIGHT OF ACTION FOR DAMAGES WILL BE EXERCISABLE BY AN INVESTOR NO LATER THAN THE EARLIER OF 180 DAYS FROM THE DATE THAT THE INVESTOR FIRST HAD KNOWLEDGE OF THE FACTS GIVING RISE TO THE CAUSE OF ACTION, OR THREE YEARS FROM THE DATE OF INVESTMENT;

(C) THE ISSUER WILL NOT BE HELD LIABLE UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH IF THE INVESTOR PURCHASED THE SECURITIES WITH KNOWLEDGE OF THE MISREPRESENTATION;

(D) IN AN ACTION FOR DAMAGES, THE ISSUER WILL NOT BE LIABLE FOR ALL OR ANY PORTION OF SUCH DAMAGES THAT IT PROVES DO NOT REPRESENT THE DEPRECIATION IN VALUE OF THE SECURITIES OFFERED HEREBY AS A RESULT OF THE MISREPRESENTATION RELIED UPON;

(E) IN NO CASE WILL THE AMOUNT RECOVERABLE UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH EXCEED THE PRICE AT WHICH THE SECURITIES WERE SOLD TO AN INVESTOR; AND

(F) THE RIGHTS DESCRIBED ABOVE ARE IN ADDITION TO AND WITHOUT DEROGATION FROM ANY OTHER RIGHT OR REMEDY AVAILABLE AT LAW TO THE INVESTOR.

THE FOREGOING SUMMARY IS SUBJECT TO THE EXPRESS PROVISIONS OF THE SECURITIES ACT (ONTARIO) AND THE REGULATIONS THEREUNDER AND REFERENCE IS MADE THERETO FOR THE COMPLETE TEXT OF SUCH PROVISIONS.

THE ISSUER IS LOCATED OUTSIDE CANADA AND, ACCORDINGLY, IT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE FOR INVESTORS TO EFFECT SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN CANADA UPON THE ISSUER. IN ADDITION, ALL OR SUBSTANTIALLY ALL OF THE ASSETS OF THE ISSUER



WILL BE LOCATED OUTSIDE CANADA AND, AS A RESULT, IT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE TO SATISFY A JUDGMENT OBTAINED AGAINST THE ISSUER IN ONTARIO. MOREOVER, IT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE FOR INVESTORS TO ENFORCE A JUDGMENT OBTAINED IN CANADIAN COURTS AGAINST THE ISSUER IN THE JURISDICTION OF THE ISSUER.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS IN THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA**

THIS OFFERING OF SECURITIES IS BEING MADE PURSUANT TO EXEMPTIONS FROM THE PROSPECTUSES REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA. INVESTORS RESIDENT IN THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA MUST BE PERSONS WHO ARE ACCREDITED INVESTORS UNDER MULTILATERAL INSTRUMENT 45-103 CAPITAL RAISING EXEMPTIONS AND ARE PURCHASING AS PRINCIPAL.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF CAYMAN ISLANDS**

NO INVITATION MAY BE MADE TO THE PUBLIC IN THE CAYMAN ISLANDS TO SUBSCRIBE FOR THE SECURITIES UNLESS THE ISSUER IS LISTED ON THE CAYMAN ISLANDS STOCK EXCHANGE.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF DENMARK**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAS NOT BEEN FILED WITH OR APPROVED BY THE DANISH SUPERVISORY AUTHORITY OR ANY OTHER REGULATORY AUTHORITY IN THE KINGDOM OF DENMARK.

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED OR SOLD AND MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD OR DELIVERED DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY IN DENMARK, UNLESS IN COMPLIANCE WITH CHAPTER 12 OF THE DANISH ACT ON TRADING IN SECURITIES AND THE DANISH EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 166 OF 13TH MARCH 2003 ON THE FIRST PUBLIC OFFER OF CERTAIN SECURITIES ISSUED PURSUANT TO SUCH CHAPTER 12, AS AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF FINLAND**

THIS DOCUMENT IS BEING DISTRIBUTED TO A LIMITED NUMBER OF PRE-SELECTED INVESTORS IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE THE OFFER OF SECURITIES IN CONNECTION WITH THIS DOCUMENT DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A PUBLIC OFFER AS DEFINED IN THE SECURITIES MARKET ACT OF THE REPUBLIC OF FINLAND. THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, TO ANY RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF FINLAND OR IN THE REPUBLIC OF FINLAND, EXCEPT PURSUANT TO APPLICABLE FINNISH LAWS AND REGULATIONS. SPECIFICALLY, THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, TO THE PUBLIC IN THE REPUBLIC OF FINLAND.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF FRANCE**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS FURNISHED TO YOU SOLELY FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND MAY NOT BE REPRODUCED AND REDISTRIBUTED TO ANY OTHER PERSON. IT IS STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL AND IS SOLELY DESTINED FOR PERSONS OR INSTITUTIONS TO WHICH IT WAS INITIALLY SUPPLIED. THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM

DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER OR AN INVITATION TO SUBSCRIBE FOR OR TO PURCHASE ANY SECURITIES AND NEITHER THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM NOR ANYTHING CONTAINED HEREIN SHALL FORM THE BASIS OF ANY CONTRACT OR COMMITMENT WHATSOEVER.

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM MAY NOT BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE PUBLIC IN FRANCE OR USED IN CONNECTION WITH ANY OFFER FOR SUBSCRIPTION OR SALE OF SECURITIES IN FRANCE OTHER THAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE L-411-2 OF THE *CODE MONETAIRE ET FINANCIER* AND DECRET NO. 98-880 DATED 1ST OCTOBER 1998 (THE “**DECREE**”). THIS INFORMATION MEMORANDUM HAS NOT BEEN SUBMITTED TO THE *AUTORITE DES MARCHES FINANCIERES* FOR APPROVAL.

EACH OF THE PLACEMENT AGENTS HAS REPRESENTED AND AGREED THAT IT HAS NOT OFFERED OR SOLD AND WILL NOT OFFER OR SELL, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, ANY SECURITIES TO THE PUBLIC IN FRANCE, AND THAT SUCH OFFERS AND SALES WILL BE MADE IN FRANCE ONLY TO QUALIFIED INVESTORS, AS DEFINED IN AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLES L.411-1 AND L.411-2 OF THE FRENCH *CODE MONETAIRE ET FINANCIER* AND THE DECREE.

THE COMPOSITE SECURITIES AND THE PREFERENCE SHARES MAY NOT BE OFFERED, MARKETED, DISTRIBUTED SOLD OR RESOLD IN THE REPUBLIC OF FRANCE.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF GERMANY**

THE SECURITIES MAY ONLY BE ACQUIRED IN GERMANY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GERMAN SECURITIES SALES PROSPECTUS ACT(*WERTPAPIERVERKAUFSPROSPEKTGESETZ*) AND WITH THE GERMAN INVESTMENT ACT (*INVESTMENTGESETZ*).

NO PROSPECTUS HAS BEEN FILED WITH THE GERMAN FEDERAL SECURITIES TRADING SUPERVISORY AUTHORITY OR PUBLISHED IN GERMANY. CONSEQUENTLY, THE SECURITIES ARE ONLY OFFERED ON A PRIVATE PLACEMENT BASIS TO INVESTORS WHO BUY AND SELL SECURITIES AS THEIR PROFESSION OR COMMERCE FOR THEIR OWN ACCOUNT.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF GREECE**

ALL INFORMATION REGARDING THE OFFERING DESCRIBED HEREIN, INCLUDING THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM, IS CONFIDENTIAL AND NOT FOR PUBLIC USE. THE NOTES REFERRED TO IN THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAVE NOT AND WILL NOT BE LISTED ON THE ATHENS EXCHANGE OR APPROVED BY THE HELLENIC CAPITAL MARKET COMMISSION FOR DISTRIBUTION AND MARKETING TO THE PUBLIC IN GREECE. THE INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN DOES NOT AND SHALL NOT BE DEEMED TO CONSTITUTE AN INVITATION TO THE PUBLIC IN GREECE. THE NOTES REFERRED TO HEREIN MAY NOT BE DISTRIBUTED, OFFERED OR IN ANY WAY SOLD IN GREECE EXCEPT AS PERMITTED BY GREEK LAW. AS REGARDS GREEK PARTICIPANTS, THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM AND ALL RELATED MATERIAL ARE DIRECTED, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 4 OF PD 52/1992 SOLELY AT PERSONS IN THE CONTEXT OF THEIR PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES (INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS, INDICATIVELY THOSE REFERRING TO IN DECISION 9/201/10.10.00 OF THE GREEK CAPITAL MARKET COMMISSION, I.E. MUTUAL FUNDS, PORTFOLIO INVESTMENT COMPANIES, COMPANIES

FOR THE PROVISION OF INVESTMENT SERVICES, CREDIT INSTITUTIONS, INSURANCE COMPANIES AND SOCIAL SECURITY FUNDS).

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF HONG KONG**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED OR SOLD, AND WILL NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD IN HONG KONG, BY MEANS OF ANY DOCUMENT, OTHER THAN TO PERSONS WHOSE ORDINARY BUSINESS IS TO BUY OR SELL SHARES OR DEBENTURES, WHETHER AS PRINCIPAL OR AGENT, OR IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH DO NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO THE PUBLIC WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE (CAP. 32) OF HONG KONG. NO ADVERTISEMENT, INVITATION OR DOCUMENT RELATING TO THE SECURITIES, WHETHER IN HONG KONG OR ELSEWHERE, HAS BEEN OR WILL BE ISSUED, WHICH IS DIRECTED AT, OR THE CONTENTS OF WHICH ARE LIKELY TO BE ACCESSED OR READ BY, THE PUBLIC IN HONG KONG (EXCEPT IF PERMITTED TO DO SO UNDER THE SECURITIES LAWS OF HONG KONG) OTHER THAN WITH RESPECT TO SECURITIES WHICH ARE OR ARE INTENDED TO BE DISPOSED OF ONLY TO PERSONS OUTSIDE HONG KONG OR ONLY TO “PROFESSIONAL INVESTORS” WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE SECURITIES AND FUTURES ORDINANCE (CAP. 571) OF HONG KONG AND ANY RULES MADE THEREUNDER.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF HUNGARY**

THE SECURITIES MAY ONLY BE OFFERED FOR SUBSCRIPTION IN HUNGARY PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ACT CXX OF 2001 ON THE CAPITAL MARKETS. THE SECURITIES MAY ONLY BE RE-SOLD TO PERSONS IN HUNGARY WHO HAVE AN EXISTING DIRECT PERSONAL OR COMMERCIAL RELATIONSHIP WITH THE SELLER OF THE SECURITIES.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF IRELAND**

THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD AND WILL NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD IN IRELAND EXCEPT IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE SUCH OFFER CONSTITUTES AN OFFER OF A TYPE DESCRIBED IN ARTICLE 2 OF COUNCIL DIRECTIVE NO.89/298/EEC;

THE SECURITIES MAY NOT AND WILL NOT BE THE SUBJECT OF AN OFFER IN IRELAND WHICH MIGHT CONSTITUTE A BREACH OF SECTION 9(1), 23(1), 23(6) OR 23(7) OF THE INVESTMENT INTERMEDIARIES ACT 1995;

EXCEPT IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH DO NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO THE PUBLIC WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1963 (AS AMENDED) OF IRELAND (THE “**1963 ACT**”), THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD AND WILL NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD IN IRELAND OR ELSEWHERE BY MEANS OF ANY DOCUMENT PRIOR TO APPLICATION FOR LISTING OF THE SECURITIES BEING MADE AND THE IRISH STOCK EXCHANGE HAVING APPROVED THE RELEVANT LISTING PARTICULARS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES (STOCK EXCHANGE) REGULATIONS 1984 (AS AMENDED) OF IRELAND (THE “**1984 REGULATIONS**”) AND THEREAFTER BY MEANS OF ANY DOCUMENT OTHER THAN (I) THE RELEVANT LISTING PARTICULARS AND/OR (II) A FORM OF APPLICATION ISSUED IN CONNECTION WITH THE SECURITIES WHICH INDICATES WHERE RELEVANT LISTING PARTICULARS CAN BE OBTAINED OR INSPECTED AND WHICH IS ISSUED WITH THE RELEVANT LISTING PARTICULARS;

THE SECURITIES WILL BE THE SUBJECT OF AN OFFER THAT WILL COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE 1963 ACT AND THE REGULATIONS IN IRELAND.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF ISRAEL**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AND SECURITIES OFFERED HEREUNDER MAY BE SOLD TO ISRAELI RESIDENTS ONLY IN A MANNER THAT WILL NOT CONSTITUTE AN “OFFER TO THE PUBLIC,” IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTIONS 15 AND 15A OF THE SECURITIES LAWS 1968. SPECIFICALLY, THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM MAY ONLY BE SOLD TO INVESTORS OF THE TYPES LISTED IN THE FIRST ADDENDUM OF THE SECURITIES LAW 1968, AND IN ADDITION TO NOT MORE THAN 35 OTHER INVESTORS RESIDENT IN ISRAEL DURING ANY GIVEN 12 MONTH PERIOD.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF ITALY**

THE OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES HAS NOT BEEN NOTIFIED TO, NOR AUTHORIZED BY, ANY COMPETENT ITALIAN AUTHORITY. THE SECURITIES MAY NOT, AND WILL NOT, BE OFFERED AND ANY COPIES OF THE OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY OTHER DOCUMENT RELATING TO THE SECURITIES MAY NOT, AND WILL NOT, BE DISTRIBUTED, IN THE CONTEXT OF AN OFFER, IN THE REPUBLIC OF ITALY.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF JAPAN**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN, AND WILL NOT BE, REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE LAW OF JAPAN (THE “**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE LAW**”). NEITHER THE SECURITIES NOR ANY INTEREST THEREIN MAY BE OFFERED, SOLD, RESOLD OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN JAPAN OR TO OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF ANY RESIDENT OF JAPAN (WHICH TERM AS USED HEREIN MEANS ANY PERSON RESIDENT IN JAPAN, INCLUDING ANY CORPORATION OR OTHER ENTITY ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF JAPAN), OR TO OTHERS FOR RE-OFFERING OR SALE, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN JAPAN OR TO A RESIDENT OF JAPAN EXCEPT PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF, AND OTHERWISE IN COMPLIANCE WITH, THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE LAW AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE LAW, REGULATIONS AND MINISTERIAL GUIDELINES OF JAPAN.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF JERSEY**

NO PERSON MAY CIRCULATE IN THE ISLAND OF JERSEY THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY OTHER OFFER FOR SALE OF ANY OF THE SECURITIES UNLESS SUCH OFFER DOES NOT, FOR THE PURPOSES OF ARTICLE 6 OF THE CONTROL OF BORROWING (JERSEY) ORDER 1958, AS AMENDED, CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO THE PUBLIC.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF KOREA**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE LAW OR THE INDIRECT INVESTMENT ASSET MANAGEMENT BUSINESS ACT OF KOREA. THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE AND WILL NOT BE DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, SOLD, OFFERED OR DELIVERED IN KOREA OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, ANY RESIDENT OF KOREA, OR TO OTHERS FOR RE-OFFERING OR RE-SALE DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY IN KOREA OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, ANY RESIDENT OF KOREA, EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PERMITTED UNDER THE

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE LAW, THE FOREIGN EXCHANGE TRANSACTION LAW AND OTHER RELEVANT LAWS OF KOREA.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF LIECHTENSTEIN**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS BEING DISTRIBUTED TO A LIMITED NUMBER OF PROFESSIONAL INVESTORS IN LIECHTENSTEIN UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE THE OFFER OF THE SECURITIES IN CONNECTION WITH THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AND IS NOT INTENDED TO CONSTITUTE A PUBLIC OFFER AS DEFINED IN ART. 3 SEC. 1 OF THE LIECHTENSTEIN PROSPECTUS ACT.

THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY TO ANY RESIDENT OF THE PRINCIPALITY OF LIECHTENSTEIN WHO IS NOT A PROFESSIONAL INVESTOR IN THE SENSE OF ART. 4(d) OF THE LIECHTENSTEIN PROSPECTUS ACT.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF LUXEMBOURG**

THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED TO THE PUBLIC IN LUXEMBOURG, UNLESS THE APPLICABLE LEGAL AND REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS, IN PARTICULAR THE RULES SET FORTH IN THE 28TH DECEMBER 1990 GRAND DUCAL REGULATION (ON THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE DRAWING-UP, SCRUTINY AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE PROSPECTUS TO BE PUBLISHED WHERE TRANSFERABLE SECURITIES ARE OFFERED TO THE PUBLIC OR OF LISTING PARTICULARS TO BE PUBLISHED FOR THE ADMISSION OF TRANSFERABLE SECURITIES TO OFFICIAL STOCK EXCHANGE LISTING), AS AMENDED, HAVE BEEN COMPLIED WITH.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF NEW ZEALAND**

THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD OR DELIVERED, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY NOR MAY ANY OFFERING MEMORANDUM, ANY PRICING SUPPLEMENT OR ADVERTISEMENT IN RELATION TO ANY OFFER OF SECURITIES BE DISTRIBUTED, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, (IN EITHER CASE) IN NEW ZEALAND, OTHER THAN: (A) TO PERSONS: (I) WHOSE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS IS THE INVESTMENT OF MONEY OR WHO, IN THE COURSE OF AND FOR THE PURPOSES OF THEIR BUSINESS, HABITUALLY INVEST MONEY; OR (II) WHO ARE EACH REQUIRED TO PAY A MINIMUM SUBSCRIPTION/PURCHASE PRICE OF AT LEAST NZ\$500,000 FOR THE SECURITIES BEFORE THE ALLOTMENT OF THE SECURITIES; OR (III) WHO IN ALL THE CIRCUMSTANCES CAN PROPERLY BE REGARDED AS HAVING BEEN SELECTED OTHERWISE THAN AS MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC; OR (B) IN OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE THERE IS NO CONTRAVENTION OF THE SECURITIES ACT 1978 OF NEW ZEALAND.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE NETHERLANDS**

THE SECURITIES ARE NOT AND WILL NOT BE OFFERED IN THE NETHERLANDS OTHER THAN TO PERSONS WHO TRADE OR INVEST IN SECURITIES IN THE CONDUCT OF THEIR PROFESSION OR TRADE (WHICH INCLUDES BANKS, SECURITIES INTERMEDIARIES (INCLUDING DEALERS AND BROKERS), INSURANCE COMPANIES, PENSION FUNDS, OTHER INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS AND COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISES WHICH AS AN ANCILLARY ACTIVITY REGULARLY INVEST IN SECURITIES).

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF NORWAY**

THE OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES WILL NOT BE A PUBLIC OFFER IN NORWAY AND THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS INTENDED TO BE READ BY THE ADDRESSEES ONLY.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF PORTUGAL**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, ADVERTISED, SOLD OR DELIVERED AND WILL NOT BE DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY OFFERED, ADVERTISED, SOLD, RE-SOLD, RE-OFFERED OR DELIVERED IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH COULD QUALIFY AS A PUBLIC OFFER PURSUANT TO THE *CÓDIGO DOS VALORES MOBILIÁRIOS* OR IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH COULD QUALIFY THE ISSUE OF THE SECURITIES AS AN ISSUE IN THE PORTUGUESE MARKET. THE SECURITIES WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO PORTUGUESE “**INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS**” ONLY, WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE *CÓDIGO DOS VALORES MOBILIÁRIOS* AND WILL NOT BE DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY DISTRIBUTED TO THE PUBLIC OR TO UNDERTERMINED INVESTORS IN PORTUGAL OR ADVERTISED IN ANY PUBLIC MANNER IN PORTUGAL AND THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM, ANY OTHER DOCUMENT, CIRCULAR, ADVERTISEMENT OR ANY OFFERING MATERIAL WILL NOT BE DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY DISTRIBUTED EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF SINGAPORE**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED AS A PROSPECTUS WITH THE MONETARY AUTHORITY OF SINGAPORE AND THE SECURITIES ARE OFFERED BY THE ISSUER PURSUANT TO EXEMPTIONS INVOKED UNDER SECTIONS 274 AND 275 OF THE SECURITIES AND FUTURES ACT (CHAPTER 289) OF SINGAPORE (THE “**SFA**”). ACCORDINGLY, THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD OR MADE THE SUBJECT OF AN INVITATION FOR SUBSCRIPTION OR PURCHASE, NOR MAY THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY OTHER OFFERING DOCUMENT OR MATERIAL RELATING TO THE SECURITIES, BE CIRCULATED OR DISTRIBUTED DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, TO ANY MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC IN SINGAPORE OTHER THAN (I) TO AN INSTITUTIONAL INVESTOR SPECIFIED IN SECTION 274 OF THE SFA, (II) TO A SOPHISTICATED INVESTOR, AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONDITIONS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 275 OF THE SFA OR (III) OR OTHERWISE PURSUANT TO, AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONDITIONS OF, ANY OTHER APPLICABLE PROVISION OF THE SFA.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF SPAIN**

THE OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES IN SPAIN DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFERING OF SECURITIES TO THE PUBLIC UNDER ARTICLE 30 BIS OF THE SPANISH SECURITIES MARKET LAW (LEY 24/1988, DE 28 DE JULIO, DEL MERCADO DE VALORES), AS AMENDED AND RESTATED. THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT AND WILL NOT BE SOLD, OFFERED OR DISTRIBUTED IN SPAIN EXCEPT IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH DO NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER OF SECURITIES TO THE PUBLIC IN SPAIN WITHIN THE MEANING OF SPANISH SECURITIES LAWS AND REGULATIONS. THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED WITH THE SPANISH SECURITIES MARKET COMMISSION (*COMISIÓN NACIONAL DEL MERCADO DE VALORES*) AND THEREFORE IT IS NOT INTENDED FOR THE OFFERING OR SALE OF THE SECURITIES TO THE PUBLIC IN SPAIN.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF SWEDEN**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAS NOT BEEN NOR WILL IT BE REGISTERED WITH OR APPROVED BY FINANSINSPEKTIONEN (THE SWEDISH FINANCIAL SUPERVISORY AUTHORITY). ACCORDINGLY, THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM MAY NOT BE MADE AVAILABLE, NOR MAY THE SECURITIES OFFERED HEREUNDER BE MARKETED OR OFFERED FOR SALE IN SWEDEN, OTHER THAN IN CIRCUMSTANCES, WHICH ARE DEEMED NOT TO BE AN OFFER TO THE PUBLIC IN SWEDEN UNDER THE SWEDISH FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS TRADING ACT (1991:980). THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS FOR THE RECIPIENT ONLY AND MAY NOT BE FORWARDED TO ANY OTHER PERSON IN SWEDEN.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF SWITZERLAND**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A PROSPECTUS WITHIN THE MEANING OF ARTICLE 652A OF THE SWISS CODE OF OBLIGATIONS AND ARTICLE 1156 ET SEQ OF THE SWISS CODE OF OBLIGATIONS. ACCORDINGLY, THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE PUBLICLY OFFERED OR DISTRIBUTED IN OR FROM SWITZERLAND, AND NEITHER THE PRELIMINARY OFFERING MEMORANDUM, THE FINAL OFFERING MEMORANDUM NOR ANY OTHER OFFERING MATERIALS RELATING TO THE SECURITIES MAY BE PUBLICLY DISTRIBUTED IN CONNECTION WITH ANY SUCH OFFERING OR DISTRIBUTION.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF TAIWAN**

THE OFFERING AND SALE OF THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED WITH, OR APPROVED BY THE ROC (TAIWAN) GOVERNMENT. THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE PUBLICLY OFFERED, SOLD OR DELIVERED, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN TAIWAN OR TO ANY RESIDENT OF TAIWAN OR TO OTHERS FOR REOFFERING OR RESALE DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY IN TAIWAN OR TO ANY RESIDENT OF TAIWAN, EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS IN TAIWAN.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM**

THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD AND, PRIOR TO THE EXPIRY OF A PERIOD OF SIX MONTHS FROM THE ISSUE DATE OF SUCH SECURITIES, WILL NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD TO PERSONS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM EXCEPT TO PERSONS WHOSE ORDINARY ACTIVITIES INVOLVE THEM IN ACQUIRING, HOLDING, MANAGING OR DISPOSING OF INVESTMENTS (AS PRINCIPAL OR AGENT) FOR THE PURPOSES OF THEIR BUSINESSES OR OTHERWISE IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH HAVE NOT RESULTED AND WILL NOT RESULT IN AN OFFER TO THE PUBLIC IN THE UNITED KINGDOM WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE PUBLIC OFFERS OF SECURITIES REGULATIONS 1995 (AS AMENDED);

EACH PLACEMENT AGENT HAS ONLY COMMUNICATED OR CAUSED TO BE COMMUNICATED AND WILL ONLY COMMUNICATE OR CAUSE TO BE COMMUNICATED ANY INVITATION OR INDUCEMENT TO ENGAGE IN INVESTMENT ACTIVITY (WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 21 OF THE FINANCIAL SERVICES AND MARKETS ACT 2000 (THE “FSMA”) RECEIVED BY IT IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUE OR SALE OF ANY SECURITIES IN CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH SECTION 21(1) OF THE FSMA DOES NOT APPLY TO THE ISSUER; AND

EACH PLACEMENT AGENT HAS COMPLIED WITH AND WILL COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE FSMA WITH RESPECT TO ANYTHING DONE BY IT IN

RELATION TO SUCH SECURITIES IN, FROM OR OTHERWISE INVOLVING THE UNITED KINGDOM.

### **AVAILABLE INFORMATION**

To permit compliance with Rule 144A in connection with the sale of the Securities, the Issuer (and, solely in the case of the Notes, the Co-Issuers) under the Indenture referred to under “Description of the Securities” and the Preference Share Documents will be required to furnish upon request of a holder of a Security to such holder and a prospective purchaser designated by such holder the information required to be delivered under Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act if at the time of the request the Co-Issuers are not reporting companies under Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “**Exchange Act**”), or exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act. Such information may be obtained directly from the Issuer or through the paying agent in Ireland at the address set forth on the final page of this Offering Memorandum.

### **INFORMATION AS TO SALE WITHIN THE UNITED STATES**

This Offering Memorandum is highly confidential and has been prepared by the Issuer solely for use in connection with this offering. This Offering Memorandum is personal to each offeree to whom it has been delivered by the Co-Issuers, the Placement Agents or affiliates thereof and does not constitute an offer to any other person or to the public generally to subscribe for or otherwise acquire the Securities. Distribution of this Offering Memorandum to any persons other than the offeree and those persons, if any, retained to advise such offeree with respect thereto is unauthorized and any disclosure of any of its contents, without the prior written consent of the Issuer, is prohibited except as otherwise authorized under “Material Income Tax Considerations—Tax Shelter Reporting Requirements.” Each prospective purchaser in the United States, by accepting delivery of this Offering Memorandum, agrees to the foregoing and to make no copies of this Offering Memorandum or any documents related hereto and, if the offeree does not purchase Securities or the offering is terminated, to return this Offering Memorandum and all documents attached hereto to: IXIS Securities North America Inc., 9 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street, 36<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10019, Attention: Structured Credit Products Group.



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## SUMMARY OF TERMS

*The following summary of terms does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by, and should be read in conjunction with, the more detailed information appearing elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum and the documents referred to in this Offering Memorandum. A Glossary and an Index of Defined Terms appear at the back of this Offering Memorandum. Except as otherwise specified herein or as the context may otherwise require or dictate or unless the Composite Securities are explicitly addressed in the same context, (A) all references in this Offering Memorandum to the “Class C Notes,” the “Class D-2 Notes” and the “Preference Shares” include the “Class C Component,” the “Class D-2 Component” and the “Preference Share Components,” respectively, of the Composite Securities, (B) all references in this Offering Memorandum to the rights of the Holders of the Class C Notes, the Holders of the Class D-2 Notes and Holders of the Preference Shares (including with respect to any payments, distributions, redemptions, votes or consents to be given by such Holders) include the rights of the Holders of the Composite Securities to the extent of the Class C Component, the Class D-2 Component and the Preference Share Components, respectively, of the Composite Securities.*

### Principal Terms of the Securities

	Class A Notes	Class B Notes	Class C Notes <sup>1</sup>	Class D-1 Notes	Class D-2 Notes <sup>2</sup>	Class 1 Composite Securities <sup>3</sup>	Class 2 Composite Securities <sup>4</sup>	Preference Shares
Type	Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Fixed Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Extendable	Extendable	Extendable
Issuer(s)	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Issuer	Issuer	Issuer
Principal Amount / Face Amount (U.S.\$)	\$521,500,000	\$35,000,000	\$35,000,000	\$33,500,000	\$5,000,000	\$10,000,000 <sup>5</sup>	\$5,000,000 <sup>6</sup>	\$70,000,000 <sup>7</sup>
Expected Moody's Initial Rating	“Aaa”	“Aa2”	“A2”	“Baa2”	“Baa2”	“Baa3” <sup>8</sup>	“A2” <sup>9</sup>	N/A
Expected S&P Initial Rating	“AAA”	“AA”	“A”	“BBB”	“BBB”	N/A	N/A	N/A
Note Interest Rate	LIBOR + 0.27%	LIBOR + 0.58%	LIBOR + 0.90%	LIBOR + 1.95%	6.2815%	2.0% <sup>10</sup>	0.25% <sup>10</sup>	N/A
Stated Maturity / Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date <sup>11</sup>	August 1, 2017	August 1, 2017	August 1, 2017	August 1, 2017	August 1, 2017	August 1, 2017	August 1, 2017	August 1, 2017
Minimum Denominations (U.S.\$) / Number (Integral Multiples)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$100,000 (\$10,000)	\$100,000 (\$10,000)	\$100,000 (\$1,000)
Ranking of the Securities:								
Priority Class	None	Class A	Class A, Class B	Class A, Class B, Class C	Class A, Class B, Class C	N/A	N/A	Class A, Class B, Class C, Class D-1, Class D-2
Junior Class	Class B, Class C, Class D-1, Class	Class C, Class D-1, Class D-2,	Class D-1, Class D-2, Preference	Preference Shares	Preference Shares	N/A	N/A	None

	D-2, Preference Shares	Preference Shares	Shares					
<b>Deferred Interest Notes</b>	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A

- 1 The initial principal amount of the Class C Notes includes the Class C Component of the Composite Securities.
- 2 The initial principal amount of the Class D-2 Notes includes the Class D-2 Component of the Composite Securities.
- 3 The Class 1 Composite Securities shall consist of the Preference Share Component and the Class D-2 Component.
- 4 The Class 2 Composite Securities shall consist of the Preference Share Component and the Class C Component.
- 5 The amount of the Class 1 Composite Securities shown also includes the Preference Share Component comprised of 5,000 Preference Shares.
- 6 The amount of the Class 2 Composite Securities shown also includes the Preference Share Component comprised of 1,000 Preference Shares.
- 7 The Preference Shares will be issued with a Face Amount of U.S.\$1,000 per share.
- 8 The Class 1 Composite Securities are rated only as to the ultimate payment of their Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance. The Class 1 Composite Securities will not be rated as to the payment of the Class 1 Composite Security Stated Coupon.
- 9 The Class 2 Composite Securities are rated as to the ultimate payment of their Class 2 Composite Security Rated Balance and Class 2 Composite Security Rated Coupon.
- 10 In the event that the Class 1 Composite Security Principal Balance is reduced to \$1,000 or the Class 2 Composite Securities Rated Balance is reduced to zero, Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities or the Holders of the Class 2 Composite Securities, as the case may be, will continue to receive payments in accordance with the Priority of Payments to the extent allocated to their related Components, and such payments will be classified as “excess distributions.”
- 11 The Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Composite Securities and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares are subject to multiple extensions to the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (in the case of the Notes and the Composite Securities) and the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (in the case of the Preference Shares), if the Issuer provides timely notice and the Extension Conditions are satisfied. See “Risk Factors—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary,” “—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected,” “Maturity and Prepayment Considerations” and “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date.”

The Notes will be limited recourse obligations of the Co-Issuers and the Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components) will be limited recourse obligations of the Issuer. The Notes and the Composite Securities will be issued pursuant to the Indenture.

The Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components) will be part of the issued share capital of the Issuer and, accordingly, will not be secured obligations of the Issuer. JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association will act as the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the Preference Shares and will perform various administrative services pursuant to a Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date (the “**Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement**”) by and between the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

Payments to each Holder of the Notes of each Class shall be made ratably among the Holders of the Notes of that Class in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes of such Class held by each Holder (treating the Class D-1 Notes and the Class D-2 Notes as separate Classes for this purpose). Payments to each Holder of the Preference Shares shall be made ratably among the Holders of the Preference Shares in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Preference Shares held by each Holder.

Except as provided under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments,” the Class A Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares; the Class B Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares; the Class C Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares; the Class D Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Preference Shares.

The Class 1 Composite Securities consist of (i) a Class 1 Preference Share Component entitling its holders to rights in respect of 5,000 Preference Shares and (ii) a Class D-2 Component entitling its holders to rights in respect of \$5,000,000 Class D-2 Notes.

The Class 2 Composite Securities consist of (i) a Class 2 Preference Share Component entitling its holders to rights in respect of 1,000 Preference Shares and (ii) a Class C Component entitling its holders to rights in respect of \$4,000,000 Class C

Notes.

The Securities and certain other obligations of the Co-Issuers will have the priorities of payment described under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

**Co-Issuers .....** The Issuer has been incorporated and exists as an exempted limited liability company under the laws of the Cayman Islands. The Issuer’s activities are limited to acquiring Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, entering into any Hedge Agreements, issuing the Securities and entering into certain related transactions.

The Co-Issuer is organized as a corporation under the laws of the State of Delaware for the sole purpose of co-issuing the Notes.

The Issuer will not have any significant assets other than Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, any Hedge Agreements and certain other eligible assets. The Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, the rights of the Issuer under any Hedge Agreements and other collateral will be pledged to the Trustee as security for, among other things, the Issuer’s obligations under the Notes.

The Co-Issuer is not expected to have any significant assets and will not pledge any assets to secure the Notes.

**Trustee .....** JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association will act as the Trustee under the Indenture on behalf of the Holders of the Notes.

**Portfolio Manager .....** Certain advisory, management and administrative functions with respect to the Collateral will be performed by Highland Capital Management, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership (“**Highland Capital**” or, in such capacity, the “**Portfolio Manager**”), pursuant to a portfolio management agreement by and between the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager (the “**Management Agreement**”). On the Closing Date, the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates are expected to purchase Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$27,500,000.

The Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates may also acquire Preference Shares upon the occurrence of (i) the Amendment Buy-Out Option and (ii) a proposed removal of the Portfolio Manager by the Directing Preference Shares. In addition, the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates may acquire all or any portion of any Extension Sale Securities in connection with a Maturity Extension. See “The Portfolio Manager,” “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities,” “—Relating to the Portfolio Manager” and “—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving

the Portfolio Manager,” “Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out,” “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date” and “The Management Agreement.”

**Closing Date** ..... On or about June 29, 2005.

**Use of Proceeds** ..... The gross proceeds of the offering of the Securities received on the Closing Date are expected to equal approximately \$700,000,000 and will be used by the Issuer to:

- purchase a portfolio of Collateral Obligations;
- fund a trust account for Revolving Loans (the “**Revolving Reserve Account**”) and a trust account for Delayed Drawdown Loans (the “**Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account**”) to cover any future draws on Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans;
- enter into any Hedge Agreements, as applicable;
- enter into any Securities Lending Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the Securities Lending Account);
- enter into any Synthetic Security Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the related accounts);
- repurchase and terminate Participations outstanding under the Warehouse Agreement (at a price reflecting the price originally paid by the Issuer to acquire the Warehoused Loans, *plus* the amount of extensions of credit in respect of certain Warehoused Loans, *minus* the aggregate amount of payments of principal received by the Warehouse Provider in respect of such Warehoused Loans (excluding the amount of any such payment that was required to be repaid or returned by the Warehouse Provider by claw-back or otherwise), *plus* all accrued and unpaid interest and fees on the Warehoused Loans);
- fund the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account; and
- undertake certain related activities.

See “Use of Proceeds.”



**Payment Dates.....** Payment of interest on, and principal of, the Notes will be made by the Issuer in U.S. Dollars on the first day of each February, May, August and November of each year (or if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day), commencing November 1, 2005, to the extent of available cash flow in respect of the Collateral in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

**Interest Payments and Payments  
of Dividends from Interest**

**Proceeds.....** The Notes will accrue interest from the Closing Date. Interest on the Notes will be payable, to the extent of funds available therefor, on each Payment Date.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of interest due on such Class of Deferred Interest Notes that is not available to be paid (“**Deferred Interest**”) in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered “payable” for the purposes of the Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for such Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest), until paid. See “Description of the Securities—Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Preference Shares from Interest Proceeds,” “—Priority of Payments” and “—The Indenture—Events of Default.”

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Interest Proceeds as described under clauses (19) and (21) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

**Principal Payments and  
Distributions from Principal  
Proceeds.....**

The Notes (including the Note Components) will mature at par on the Payment Date in August 1, 2017 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (the “**Stated Maturity**”) and the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components) are scheduled to be redeemed at the Redemption Price thereof by the Issuer on the Payment

Date in August 1, 2017 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (the “**Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**”), in each case unless redeemed or (in the case of the Notes) repaid in full prior thereto; *provided* that references in this Offering Memorandum to the “Stated Maturity” of the Composite Securities mean the date the Notes underlying the Note Component of such Composite Securities will mature at par and the Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Component of such Composite Securities are scheduled to be redeemed at the Redemption Price thereof by the Issuer. The average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years from issuance until Stated Maturity for such Notes. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary,” “—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected” and “Maturity and Prepayment Considerations.”

In general, principal payments will not be made on the Notes before the end of the Reinvestment Period, except in the following circumstances:

- in connection with an Optional Redemption;
- at the option of the Portfolio Manager, to effect a Special Redemption of the Notes;
- pursuant to a redemption made in connection with a Tax Event; or
- following a mandatory redemption of the Notes caused by a failure to meet any of the Coverage Tests or a Rating Confirmation Failure.

See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments,” “—Optional Redemption,” “—Special Redemption of the Notes If the Portfolio Manager Does Not Identify Investments as Contemplated by the Indenture,” “—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes” and “Security for the Notes—Ramp-Up.”

No payments of principal will be made on the Class B Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class C Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class D Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes has been paid in full (other than with respect to the use of Interest Proceeds to pay principal of the Class D Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class D Coverage Tests). However,

Principal Proceeds may be used to pay Deferred Interest and other amounts before the payment of principal of the Notes. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

No principal of any Class of Notes will be payable on any Payment Date other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and to the extent funds are available therefor on that Payment Date for that purpose, except that the principal of each Class of Notes will be payable in full at the Stated Maturity, unless repaid before that.

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Principal Proceeds as described under clauses (8)(A), (11) and (12) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

For a description of the relative priority of payments and level of subordination of the Securities and certain fees, expenses and other liabilities of the Co-Issuers, see “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

#### **Payments on the Composite**

**Securities.....** On each Payment Date on which payments, whether from Principal Proceeds, Interest Proceeds or upon redemption or other payments on the Notes or as distributions to the holders of the Preference Shares, are made to the holders of the Class C Notes, the Class D-2 Notes and the Preference Shares, a portion of such payment will be allocated to the Composite Securities in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount or aggregate Face Amount, as the case may be, of the applicable Class C Component, the Class D-2 Component or the Preference Share Component bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount or aggregate Face Amount, as applicable, of the Class C Notes, the Class D-2 Notes or the Preference Shares as a whole (including such Components). The payment of distributions, redemption amounts and any other payments on the Class C Component, the Class D-2 Component or Preference Share Component of the Composite Securities will be distributed in the same manner as the Class C Notes, the Class D-2 Notes or the Preference Shares, respectively, to which each such Component relates. No other payments will be made on the Composite Securities. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

**Extension of the Reinvestment  
Period, the Stated Maturity and  
the Scheduled Preference Shares  
Redemption Date .....**

The Issuer, if directed by the Portfolio Manager, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Reinvestment Period to the applicable Extended Reinvestment Period End Date up to a maximum of four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Reinvestment Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. For purposes of the foregoing, “**Extension Effective Date**” means if an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extension Effective Date (or, in the case of the first Extension Effective Date, the Payment Date in August 2010) and “**Extended Reinvestment Period End Date**” means, if an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Reinvestment Period End Date (or, in the case of the first Extension, the Payment Date in August 2016); provided that the “Extended Reinvestment Period End Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in August 2028.

If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Composite Securities shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date shall automatically be extended to the Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Securities or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents (the “**Maturity Extension**”); provided that the Issuer will not be permitted to effect more than four Maturity Extensions. For purposes of the foregoing, “**Extended Stated Maturity Date**” means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Stated Maturity Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Payment Date in August 2021), “**Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**” means, if a Maturity has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, August 2021) and “**Extended Weighted Average Life Date**” means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Weighted Average Life Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Weighted Average Life Date, August 1, 2018);

provided that the “Extended Stated Maturity Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in August, 2033, the “Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in August 2033 and the “Extended Weighted Average Life Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in August 1, 2030.

As a condition to a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares will have the right to offer to sell their Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares to one or more Extension Qualifying Purchasers for purchase on the applicable Extension Effective Date.

If all Extension Conditions are satisfied and a Maturity Extension is effected, each Holder of a Note, other than Extension Sale Securities, will be entitled to receive the applicable Extension Bonus Payment, to the extent of available funds and as provided in the Priority of Payments. Holders of Composite Securities (to the extent of the Preference Share Components) and Preference Shares will not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary,” “—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected,” “Maturity and Prepayment Considerations,” and “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date.”

**Security for the Notes .....** The Notes will be secured by a portfolio having an Aggregate Principal Balance following the Ramp-Up Period of approximately U.S.\$678,000,000 (in principal amount) and consisting primarily of Collateral Obligations and certain other debt securities, in each case having the characteristics set forth herein. The Notes will also be secured by funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, the Issuer’s rights under any Hedge Agreements, any Securities Lending Agreements, the Management Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement. See “Security for the Notes.”

The Preference Shares are unsecured equity interests in the Issuer.

**Collateral Ramp-Up Period .....** The Issuer expects that, as of the Closing Date, it will have purchased (or entered into commitments to purchase) Collateral Obligations to be included in the anticipated portfolio such that the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator will be at least \$678,000,000 as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date. The “**Ramp-Up Completion Date**” is the earlier of (i) the Business Day after the 179<sup>th</sup> day after the Closing Date, and (ii) the first

day on which the following conditions are satisfied (x) either (A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least \$678,000,000 or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer with proceeds from the sale of the Securities (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be) equals at least \$678,000,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date) and (y) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$678,000,000.

In anticipation of the issuance of the Securities, the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, MMP-5 Funding, LLC (as the Participant and Warehouse Provider) and IXIS Financial Products Inc. (“**IXIS Financial Products**”) entered into the Master Warehousing and Participation Agreement pursuant to which the Portfolio Manager has agreed to manage, on behalf of the Issuer, the Warehoused Loans to be acquired by the Issuer before the Closing Date and the Warehouse Provider has agreed to acquire a 100% participation in each Warehoused Loan concurrently with its acquisition by the Issuer, for a purchase price equal to the purchase price paid by the Issuer for the related Warehoused Loan. On the Closing Date, eligible Warehoused Loans will be repurchased by the Issuer with proceeds of the offering. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Collateral Obligations—A Substantial Amount of Collateral Obligations Was Acquired Before the Closing Date, and the Terms of the Acquisition May Adversely Affect the Issuer.”

See “Security for the Notes—Ramp-Up.”

**Reinvestment Period;  
Reinvestment in Collateral  
Obligations .....**

During the Reinvestment Period, the Issuer may generally (and subject to certain requirements) reinvest Principal Proceeds received with respect to the Collateral in additional or substitute Collateral Obligations in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria (which Eligibility Criteria includes requirements that an item of Collateral purchased by the Issuer meet the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and that the portfolio of Collateral Obligations be in compliance with the Concentration Limitations to the extent provided in the Eligibility Criteria). See “—Collateral Obligations,” “—Concentration Limitations” and “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.”

The “**Reinvestment Period**” will be the period from the Closing Date through and including the first to occur of:

- (i) the Payment Date after the date that the Portfolio Manager notifies the Trustee, each Rating Agency and the Administrator, in the sole discretion of the Portfolio Manager, that, in light of the composition of the Collateral, general market conditions, and other factors, investments in additional Collateral Obligations within the foreseeable future would either be impractical or not beneficial;
- (ii) the Payment Date in August, 2012 or, in the case of an Extension, the Extended Reinvestment Period End Date;
- (iii) the Payment Date on which all Notes are to be optionally redeemed or an earlier date after notice of an Optional Redemption chosen by the Portfolio Manager to facilitate the liquidation of the Collateral for the Optional Redemption; and
- (iv) the date on which the Reinvestment Period terminates or is terminated as a result of an Event of Default (subject to the terms of the Indenture).

No investment will be made in Collateral Obligations after the termination of the Reinvestment Period, except that (x) Unscheduled Principal Payments and (y) Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations may be invested in Collateral Obligations after the Reinvestment Period subject to the limitations described under “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria” and “—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Reinvestment of Principal Proceeds and Reinvestment Criteria.” After the termination of the Reinvestment Period, all Principal Proceeds (other than Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations) must be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

**Collateral Obligations** ..... Any obligation or security (a “**Collateral Obligation**”) that, when the Issuer commits to purchase (or otherwise acquire) the obligation or security, is a Loan, High-Yield Bond, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that is a Loan, a Structured Finance Obligation or High-Yield Bond that is:

- (i) denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars and is not convertible by its obligor into any other currency;
- (ii) an obligation of an obligor Domiciled in an Eligible

Country;

- (iii) an obligation that is eligible by its terms to be assigned to the Issuer and pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral;
- (iv) not an exchangeable or convertible security that is exchangeable or convertible at the option of its issuer;
- (v) not an equity security or a component of an equity security or a security that has a component that is an equity security (other than for avoidance of doubt, a pass-through trust certificate in a trust holding Collateral Obligations);
- (vi) not an obligation or security that has been called for redemption and is not an obligation or security that is the subject of an Offer other than a Permitted Offer or an exchange offer in which a security that is not registered under the Securities Act is exchanged for (a) a security that has substantially identical terms (except for transfer restrictions) but is registered under the Securities Act or (b) a security that would otherwise qualify for purchase under the Eligibility Criteria;
- (vii) an obligation that (a) has a Moody's Rating (including any estimated or confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored) and (b) has an S&P Rating (including any confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored), which S&P Rating does not have a "p", "pi", "q", "r" or "t" subscript unless S&P otherwise authorizes in writing;
- (viii) an obligation that is a Finance Lease (if it is a lease) and the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;
- (ix) an obligation that is not a Current-Pay Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation and in the case of a Collateral Obligation that has a Moody's Rating of "Caal" or lower or an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower, an obligation for which the Portfolio Manager has certified in writing that such Collateral Obligation is not a Credit Risk Obligation;



- (x) an obligation that (unless it is a High-Yield Bond) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness for borrowed money of the applicable issuer; provided that for the avoidance of doubt, this clause shall not prohibit the inclusion as Collateral Obligations of Subordinated Lien Loans;
- (xi) an obligation that (a) (unless it is a PIK Security) bears simple interest payable in cash no less frequently than annually at a fixed or floating rate that is paid on a periodic basis on an unleveraged basis and, in the case of a floating rate, computed on a benchmark interest rate plus or minus a spread, if any (which may vary under the terms of the obligation) and (b) provides for a fixed amount of principal payable in cash according to a fixed schedule (which may include optional call dates) or at maturity (or a fixed notional amount in the case of Synthetic Securities);
- (xii) an obligation the payment or repayment of the principal, if any, of which is not an amount determined by reference to any formula or index or subject to any contingency under the terms thereof;
- (xiii) an obligation the portion of which to be acquired (including through a Synthetic Security with respect to the Reference Obligation) does not represent, directly or indirectly, more than a 25% interest in the obligation;
- (xiv) not an obligation with a maturity later than one year after the Stated Maturity of the Notes;
- (xv) an obligation upon which no payments are subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the obligor thereof or counterparty with respect thereto is required to make “gross-up” payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax on an after-tax basis (other than withholding taxes with respect to commitment fees associated with Collateral Obligations constituting Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans);
- (xvi) not a Loan or Synthetic Security that would require the Issuer after its purchase of the Loan or Synthetic Security to advance any funds to the related borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty or permit the borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty to require that any future advances be made except for:
  - (A) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the

Issuer deposits into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, respectively, the maximum amount of any advances that may be required of the Issuer under the related Underlying Instrument (as provided in the Indenture); and

(B) any Synthetic Security if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Synthetic Security, the Issuer posts cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) the Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of any future advances;

(xvii) if such obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation, such obligation:

(A) has been assigned a rating by both Moody's and S&P;

(B) has a Moody's Rating of "Ba3" or higher and an S&P Rating of "BB-" or higher; and

(C) has not been placed on the watch list for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P;

(xviii) not a Loan that is an obligation of a debtor in possession or a trustee for a debtor in an insolvency proceeding other than a DIP Loan;

(xix) with respect to an obligation that provides for the payment of interest at a floating rate, an obligation for which such floating rate is determined by reference to the U.S. Dollar prime rate or other base rate, London interbank offered rate or similar interbank offered rate, commercial deposit rate or any other index that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto;

(xx) in the case of a Synthetic Security, a Synthetic Security for which the counterparty or issuer, as the case may be, has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3", and if rated "A3" by Moody's, such rating is not on watch for downgrade, and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A-";

(xxi) not an obligation that constitutes Margin Stock;

(xxii) not a Zero-Coupon Security;

- (xxiii) not an obligation that is currently deferring interest or paying interest “in kind” or otherwise has an interest “in kind” balance outstanding at the time of purchase, which interest is otherwise payable in cash, unless the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;
- (xxiv) not a security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined by the Portfolio Manager;
- (xxv) not an obligation the interest payments of which are scheduled to decrease (although interest payments may decrease due to unscheduled events such as a decrease if the index relating to a Floating Rate Obligation, the change from a default rate of interest to a non-default rate of interest or an improvement in the obligor’s financial condition);
- (xxvi) not an obligation that will cause the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the pool of assets to be required to be registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act;
- (xxvii) in the case of a Loan, an obligation that is part of, or a Participation in, a syndicated loan facility that provides for a commitment by the lenders, in the aggregate, of no less than \$50,000,000; and
- (xxviii) in the case of a Structured Finance Obligation, not a Structured Finance Obligation managed by the Portfolio Manager or one or more of its Affiliates.

Pursuant to the definition of “Synthetic Security,” unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any “deliverable obligation” that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any “credit event” must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such “deliverable obligation” is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any “credit event”) as a Collateral Obligation, except that such “deliverable obligation” may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a “credit event.”

See “Security for the Notes—Collateral Obligations” and “—Eligibility Criteria.”

**Concentration Limitations.....** Upon a purchase of a Collateral Obligation, the Eligibility Criteria require that each of the limits set forth below with respect to a particular type of Investment Obligation (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) as a percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount (the “**Concentration**

**Limitations**”) is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced:

	Percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount
(1) Senior Secured Loans (including Moody’s Senior Secured Loans) and Eligible Investments	≥ 92.5%
(2) unsecured Loans	≤ 3.0%
(3) Subordinated Lien Loans and Second Lien Loans	≤ 5.0%
(4) Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans	≤ 15.0%
(5) DIP Loans	≤ 5.0%
(a) except that with a Rating Confirmation, DIP Loans may constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	≤ 7.5%
(6) S&P Unrated DIP Loans	≤ 2.5%
(7) PIK Securities	≤ 3.0%
(8) High-Yield Bonds	≤ 7.5%
(9) Structured Finance Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(10) Structured Finance Obligations that are collateralized loan obligations	≤ 2.5%
(11) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States and Canada	≤ 15.0%
(12) obligors Domiciled in Canada or any single Moody’s Group I Country	≤ 10.0%
(13) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody’s Group II Country	≤ 5.0%
(14) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody’s Group III Country	≤ 2.5%
(15) obligors organized in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction	≤ 5.0%
(16) same S&P Industry Classification	≤ 8.0%
(a) except that Investment Obligations belonging to two S&P Industry Classifications (not including Telecommunications) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	≤ 12.0%
(17) single issuer or any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties)	≤ 1.5%
(a) except that up to each of five individual issuers (including any of their respective Affiliates but excluding issuers that the Portfolio Manager reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	≤ 2.0%
(18) Fixed Rate Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(19) Pay interest less frequently than quarterly but no less frequently than annually	≤ 7.5%
(20) Synthetic Securities	≤ 20.0%
(a) except that Synthetic Securities that provide for settlement other than by physical delivery may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	≤ 5.0%

	Percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount
(b) except that Synthetic Securities that reference a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	≤ 5.0%
(21) Participations ( <i>provided</i> , that no Investment Obligations may be a Participation in a Participation)	≤ 20.0%
(22) Investment Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, in the aggregate may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	≤ 20.0%
(23) Investment Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, a single Secondary Risk Counterparty	≤ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under “Individual Counterparty Limit” for applicable rating*
(24) Investment Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, all Secondary Risk Counterparties	≤ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under “Aggregate Counterparty Limit” for applicable rating**
(25) Deep Discount Obligations	≤ 5.0%
(26) CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(27) Long-Dated Collateral Obligations	≤ 4.0%
(28) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements	≤ 15.0%
(29) Collateral Obligations providing for interest at a non-London interbank offered rate	≤ 5.0%
(30) Collateral Obligations that are Loans that are part of a credit facility with a total global aggregate commitment amount of less than \$75,000,000	≤ 10.0%

\* Applicable long-term unsecured rating by Moody’s or S&P of such Secondary Risk Counterparty (using the limit for the lower of such ratings if different).

\*\* Long-term unsecured rating by Moody’s or S&P at or below a level specified in the Secondary Risk Table (using the lower of such ratings for a Secondary Risk Counterparty, if different).

Subject to the rights in circumstances of the Portfolio Manager to determine otherwise as set out in the Indenture, solely for the purpose of determining whether the Concentration Limitations are met, Eligible Investments and Cash will be treated as Senior Secured Loans and Floating Rate Obligations.

See “Security For the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.”

**Coverage Tests and the Reinvestment**

**Overcollateralization Test**..... The “**Coverage Tests**” will consist of the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Tests. In addition, the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test, which is not a Coverage Test, will apply as described herein. See “Security For the Notes—The Coverage Tests—The Overcollateralization Tests” and “—The Interest Coverage Tests” for the formulations of these tests, which are highly detailed. The ratios on which they are based are also described under such headings. The tests will be used to determine, among other things, whether (i) Notes will be redeemed in certain circumstances as described under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments” and (ii) in the case of the Coverage Tests, Collateral Obligations may be acquired as described under “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.”

There will not be any Coverage Test applicable to the Composite Securities or the Preference Shares.

*The Overcollateralization Tests*..... The Overcollateralization Tests will consist of the “**Class A/B Overcollateralization Test**,” the “**Class C Overcollateralization Test**” and the “**Class D Overcollateralization Test**.” Each Overcollateralization Test will be satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes if, as of any Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the specified required level for the specified Class indicated in the table below:

<b>Test</b>	<b>Required Level</b>
Class A/B Overcollateralization Test	112.7%
Class C Overcollateralization Test	108.0%
Class D Overcollateralization Test	105.0%

*The Interest Coverage Tests* ..... The Interest Coverage Tests will consist of the “**Class A/B Interest Coverage Test**,” “**Class C Interest Coverage Test**” and the “**Class D Interest Coverage Test**.” Each Interest Coverage Test will be satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level specified in the table below for the specified Class:

<b>Test</b>	<b>Required Level</b>
Class A/B Interest Coverage Test	120.0%

	Class C Interest Coverage Test	115.0%
	Class D Interest Coverage Test	110.0%
<i>Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test</i> .....	A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date during the Reinvestment Period on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 106.3%.	
<b>Collateral Quality Tests</b> .....	The Collateral Quality Tests will be used primarily as criteria for purchasing Collateral Obligations. See “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.” The “ <b>Collateral Quality Tests</b> ” will consist of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Life Test, the Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the S&P CDO Monitor Test, as described below.	
<i>Diversity Test</i> .....	The Diversity Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date, if the Diversity Score equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score.	
<i>S&amp;P CDO Monitor Test</i> .....	The S&P CDO Monitor Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive.	
<i>Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test</i> .....	The Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 8.0%.	
<i>Weighted Average Life Test</i> .....	The Weighted Average Life Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the greater of (a) the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and August 1, 2014 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date and (b) 3.0 years.	
<i>Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test</i> .....	The Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody’s Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 44.5%.	

*Weighted Average Rating Factor*

*Test*..... The Weighted Average Rating Factor Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date, if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of such Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor.

*Weighted Average S&P Recovery*

*Rate Test* ..... The Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 51.7%.

*Weighted Average Spread Test*..... The Weighted Average Spread Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread.

See "Security for the Notes—The Collateral Quality Tests."

**Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

**for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests**..... If any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the last day of any Due Period (each, a "**Determination Date**"), funds will be used pursuant to the Priority of Payments to redeem the related Notes to the extent necessary for such failing Coverage Tests to be satisfied that would otherwise be used:

- (i) to purchase additional Collateral Obligations during the Reinvestment Period; or
- (ii) to make interest and principal payments on the Notes and to make dividend or redemption payments in respect of the Preference Shares.

See "Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests."



**Certain Consequences of Failure to Satisfy the Reinvestment**

**Overcollateralization Test.....** If during the Reinvestment Period, the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on any Determination Date, certain funds, as described under clause (15) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds,” representing Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be used to make payments on the Preference Shares and pay certain subordinated expenses of the Issuer, will be deposited instead into the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds to the extent necessary to cause the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as of that Determination Date after application of Principal Proceeds as described under clause (1) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

**Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

**Upon Rating Confirmation Failure.....** The Issuer will request each of S&P and Moody’s to confirm in writing, by the Business Day after the 29<sup>th</sup> day after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that it has not reduced, suspended or withdrawn the Initial Rating of each Class of Notes and, in the case of Moody’s, Composite Securities and that it has not placed any Class of Notes or, in the case of Moody’s, Composite Securities on credit watch with negative implications. If the Trustee does not receive evidence of confirmation before the Payment Date following the 29-day period (such an event, a “**Rating Confirmation Failure**”), all Interest Proceeds remaining after payment of amounts referred to in clauses (1) and (3) through (11) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” will be used to pay principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes sequentially in order of their priority on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date thereafter until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. If necessary, after the foregoing payments are made out of Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds in accordance with clause (6) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds” will be used to pay principal of each Class of the Notes sequentially in order of their priority on each Payment Date until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. See “Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure.”

**Non-Call Period .....** The period from the Closing Date to but not including the Payment Date in August 2010 (the “**Non-Call Period**”).

**Optional Redemption .....** Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the Holders of at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares may require the Issuer or Co-Issuers, as applicable, to redeem the Notes, in whole but not in part, from Principal Proceeds and all other funds available for that purpose in the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account in accordance with the redemption procedures described under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at their Redemption Price. From and after the Redemption Date the redeemed Notes (including the Note Component) will cease to bear interest.

The redemption price payable in connection with the Optional Redemption of any Class of Notes will be the sum of:

- (i) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of the Note being redeemed; *plus*
- (ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest); *plus*
- (iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note; *plus*
- (iv) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

The redemption price payable in connection with the Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares will be (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components), the entire remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components), in each case, as described under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

**Special Redemption .....** The Notes will be subject to redemption in whole or in part by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, on Payment Dates during the Reinvestment Period if the Portfolio Manager elects (subject to the Management Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify

additional Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the investment or reinvestment of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be invested in additional Collateral Obligations (a “**Special Redemption**”). On the first Payment Date following the Due Period for which such notice is effective (a “**Special Redemption Date**”), the funds in the Collection Account or the Payment Account representing Principal Proceeds which cannot be reinvested in additional Collateral Obligations (the “**Special Redemption Amount**”) will be available to be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments. See “Description of the Securities—Special Redemption of the Notes If the Portfolio Manager Does Not Identify Investments as Contemplated by the Indenture.”

**The Offering**..... The Securities are initially being offered (i) in reliance on Regulation S, to non-U.S. Persons in offshore transactions (“**Offshore Transactions**”) as such term is defined in Regulation S and (ii) to purchasers that are U.S. persons (“**U.S. Persons**”) as such term is defined in Regulation S, that are (I) Accredited Investors and (II)(A) Qualified Purchasers, (B) with respect to the Preference Shares and the Composite Securities only, Knowledgeable Employees or (C) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or, with respect to the Preference Shares and the Composite Securities only, Knowledgeable Employees. Subsequent transferees of the Securities must be (i) non-U.S. Persons that purchase the Securities in Offshore Transactions or (ii)(a) Qualified Institutional Buyers or, with respect to the Composite Securities and the Preference Shares only, Accredited Investors, and (b) (A) Qualified Purchasers, (B) with respect to the Preference Shares and the Composite Securities only, Knowledgeable Employees or (C) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or with respect to the Preference Shares and the Composite Securities only, Knowledgeable Employees. See “Plan of Distribution” and “Transfer Restrictions.”

**Form, Registration and Transfer of the Notes**..... Except as provided herein, the Notes sold in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Section 4(2) of the Securities Act to Accredited Investors and Qualified Purchasers will be represented by one or more permanent global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons (each, a “**Rule 144A Global Note**”) deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository. The Depository will credit the account of each of its participants with the principal amount of the Notes being purchased by

or through the participant. Beneficial interests in a Rule 144A Global Note will be shown on, and transfers thereof will be effected only through, records maintained by the Depository and its direct and indirect participants. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Notes.”

Except as provided herein, the Notes sold in Offshore Transactions to non-U.S. Persons in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by one or more permanent global securities in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons (each, a “**Regulation S Global Note**”) which will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear or Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream at any time.

Except in the limited circumstances described herein, certificated Notes will not be issued in exchange for beneficial interests in Global Securities. See “Settlement and Clearing.”

Transfers of interests in the Notes are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Indenture. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Notes” and “Transfer Restrictions.” Each purchaser of Notes in making its purchase will be required to make, or will be deemed to have made, as the case may be, certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements. See “Transfer Restrictions.”

**Form, Registration and Transfers of  
the Composite Securities.....**

The Composite Securities sold in Offshore Transactions to non-U.S. Persons pursuant to Regulation S will be represented by one or more permanent global securities in definitive, fully registered form (each, a “**Regulation S Global Composite Security**”) which will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear or Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Composite Security may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream at any time.

The Composite Securities sold in non-Offshore Transactions or to U.S. Persons who purchase such Composite Securities for their own account or for the account of an Accredited Investor who is also (1) a Qualified Purchaser, (2) A Knowledgeable Employee or (3)

an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Composite Securities in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the “**Certificated Composite Securities**”)

Transfers of the Composite Securities are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Indenture. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Composite Securities” and “Transfer Restrictions.” Each purchaser of Composite Securities in making its purchase will be required to make, or will be deemed to have made, as the case may be, certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements. See “Transfer Restrictions.”

**Form, Registration and Transfers of the Preference Shares.....**

The Preference Shares sold in Offshore Transactions to non-U.S. Persons pursuant to Regulation S may be represented by one or more permanent global securities in definitive, fully registered form (each, a “**Regulation S Global Preference Share**” and, together with the Rule 144A Global Notes and the Regulation S Global Notes and the Regulation S Global Composite Securities, the “**Global Securities**”) which will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear or Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Preference Share may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream at any time.

The Preference Shares sold in (i) non-Offshore Transactions or to U.S. Persons who purchase such Preference Shares for their own account or for the account of an Accredited Investor who is also (1) a Qualified Purchaser, (2) a Knowledgeable Employee or (3) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees will be, or (ii) Offshore Transactions to non-U.S. Persons pursuant to Regulation S may be, issued in the form of one or more certificated Preference Shares in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the “**Certificated Preference Shares**”).

Transfers of the Preference Shares are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Preference Share Documents. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Preference Shares” and “Transfer Restrictions.” Each purchaser of Preference Shares in making its purchase will

be required to make, or will be deemed to have made, as the case may be, certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements. See “Transfer Restrictions.”

**Ratings**..... It is a condition of the issuance of the Securities that each Class of Notes and the Composite Securities are rated at least as indicated in the table under “—Principal Terms of the Securities” on the Closing Date.

The Class 1 Composite Securities are rated only as to the ultimate payment of their Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance. The Class 1 Composite Securities will not be rated as to the payment of the Class 1 Composite Security Stated Coupon. The Class 2 Composite Securities are rated as to the ultimate payment of their Class 2 Composite Security Rated Balance and the Class 2 Composite Security Rated Coupon.

No rating of the Preference Shares has been sought or obtained in connection with the issuance thereof.

Each of the above ratings assume that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date.

A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning Rating Agency. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—Future Ratings of the Notes Are Not Assured and Limited in Scope; the Preference Shares are Not Rated.”

**Listing**..... Application will be made to list each Class of the Securities (other than the Preference Shares) on the Irish Stock Exchange. There can be no assurance that such admission will be granted or maintained. See “Listing and General Information.” The issuance and settlement of the Securities on the Closing Date will not be conditioned on the listing of the Notes on the Irish Stock Exchange. In addition, there is currently no market for the Securities and there can be no assurance that a market will develop.

**Governing Law** ..... The terms and conditions of the Preference Shares (as set forth in the Issuer Charter and the Resolutions) will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the Cayman Islands. The Notes, Indenture, any supplemental indenture, the Management Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and any Hedge Agreements will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the State of New York.

The Composite Securities will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York with respect to the Note Components. However, the rights of a Holder of the Composite Securities with respect to the Preference Share Components will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the Cayman Islands.

**Tax Status.....** See “Material Income Tax Considerations.”

**Considerations for Benefit Plans.....** Except as described herein, the Preference Shares and the Composite Securities may not be purchased or held by, or transferred to, any Benefit Plan Investor, including a foreign benefit plan not subject to ERISA or the Code. See “Considerations for Benefit Plans.”

## **RISK FACTORS**

*An investment in the Securities involves certain risks. Prospective investors should carefully consider the following factors, in addition to the matters set forth elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum, prior to investing in any Class of Securities.*

### **Investor Suitability**

An investment in the Securities will not be appropriate or suitable for all investors. Structured investment products, like the Securities, are complex instruments, and typically involve a high degree of risk and are intended for sale only to sophisticated investors who are capable of understanding and assuming the risks involved. Any investor purchasing Securities should conduct its own investigation and analysis of an investment in the Securities and consult with its own professional advisors as to the risks involved in making such investment.

### **General; Priorities of Securities**

The Issuer intends to invest in securities and other financial assets with certain risk characteristics as provided in the Indenture and the Management Agreement. See “Security for the Notes.” There can be no assurance that the Issuer’s investments will be successful, that its investment objectives will be achieved, that investors will receive their initial investments under the Securities or that they will receive any return (or avoid any loss, including total loss) on their investment in the Securities. Prospective investors are therefore advised to review this entire Offering Memorandum carefully and should consider, among other things, the following risk factors (along with, among other things, the inherent risks of investment activities) before deciding whether to invest in the Securities.

Except as is otherwise stated below, the risk factors are generally applicable to all the Securities, although the degree of risk associated with each Class of Securities may vary. In particular, the priorities of payment of the Notes are generally in the order of their alphabetic designation from the Class A Notes (the highest priority) to the Class D Notes (the lowest priority), the priorities of payment of the Notes are generally higher than priorities of payment of the Preference Shares.

### **Relating to the Securities**

#### *The Securities Will Have Limited Liquidity*

There is currently no market for the Securities. There can be no assurance that a secondary market for any Class of Securities will develop, or if a secondary market does develop, that it will provide the Holders of the applicable Class of Securities with liquidity of investment or that it will continue for the life of such Class of Securities. In addition, each Class of Securities is subject to certain transfer restrictions and can only be transferred to certain transferees as described under “Transfer Restrictions.” The restrictions on the transfer of the Securities may further limit their liquidity. Consequently, an investor in the Securities must be prepared to hold such Securities until their Stated Maturity or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. In addition, the Securities will not be registered under the Securities Act or any state securities laws, and the Co-Issuers have no plans, and are under no obligation, to register the Securities under the Securities Act. Application will be made to admit each Class of the Securities (other than the Preference Shares) to the Daily Official List of the Irish Stock Exchange. There can be no assurance that any such admission will be granted or maintained.



*The Subordination of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Preference Shares Will Affect Their Right to Payment in Relation to the More Senior Securities*

The Class B Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class B Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and certain other amounts (including certain management fees payable to the Portfolio Manager, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class B Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

The Class C Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class C Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes and certain other amounts (including certain management fees payable to the Portfolio Manager, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class C Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class C Deferred Interest.

The Class D Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class D Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and certain other amounts (including certain management fees payable to the Portfolio Manager, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class D Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class D Deferred Interest and the use of Interest Proceeds to pay principal of the Class D Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class D Coverage Tests.

No payments will be made out of Interest Proceeds on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date, until due and unpaid interest on the Notes (including any Deferred Interest) and certain amounts (including certain amounts due under the Hedge Agreements, certain management fees payable to the Portfolio Manager, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid on the Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments. No payments will be made out of Principal Proceeds on the Preference Shares until principal of each Class of Notes and certain other amounts payable out of Principal Proceeds on each Payment Date have been paid in full. In addition, the Preference Shares will not be redeemed until each Class of Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

In addition, the Co-Issuers will have only nominal equity capitalization. Consequently, to the extent that any losses are suffered by any of the Holders of any Securities, the losses will be borne first by the Holders of the Preference Shares, and then by the Holders of each Class of Notes, serially in inverse order of their alphabetic designations.

For purposes of subordination, the Composite Securities will not be treated as a separate Class, but the Class C Component, the Class D-2 Component and the Preference Share Components of the Composite Securities will be treated as Class C Notes, Class D-2 Notes and Preference Shares, respectively.

See "Description of the Securities."

*Interest Will Be Deferred on Deferred Interest Notes if There Are Insufficient Funds under the Priority of Payments for Payment of Interest*

So long as any Class A Notes or Class B Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class C Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes as Class C Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class C Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds.

So long as any Class A Notes, Class B Notes or Class C Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class D Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes as Class D Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class D Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds.

*Interest Proceeds May Be Used to Reinvest in Priority to any Payments to Holders of Preference Shares*

During the Reinvestment Period, if the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test is not met on any Determination Date, a portion of the Interest Proceeds that might otherwise have been paid to the Holders of the Preference Shares on the related Payment Date will instead be deposited into the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds, as described under clause (15) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

*The Controlling Class Will Control Many Rights under the Indenture; However, Some Rights of the Controlling Class to Sell the Collateral in Connection with an Event of Default Are Limited*

Under the Indenture, many rights of the Holders of the Notes will be controlled by a Majority of the Controlling Class. Remedies pursued by the Holders of the Controlling Class upon an Event of Default could be adverse to the interests of the Holders of Securities subordinated to the Controlling Class. After any realization on the Collateral, proceeds will be allocated in accordance with the Priority of Payments pursuant to which the Notes and certain other amounts owing by the Co-Issuers will be paid in full before any allocation to the Preference Shares, and each Class of Notes (along with certain other amounts owing by the Co-Issuers) will be paid serially in alphabetic order until it is paid in full before any allocation is made to the next Class of Notes.

However, the ability of the Controlling Class to direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral is subject to certain limitations. As described under “Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default,” if an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee must retain the Collateral intact and collect all payments in respect of the Collateral and continue making payments in accordance with the Priority of Payments and in accordance with the Indenture unless either (A) the Trustee determines that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds,” and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination or (B) the Holders of a Super Majority of each of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes

and the Class D Notes direct, subject to the provisions of the Indenture, the sale and liquidation of the Collateral.

*The Issuer is Highly Leveraged, which Increases Risks to Investors*

The Issuer will be substantially leveraged. Use of leverage is a speculative investment technique and involves certain risks to investors in the Securities. The leverage provided to the Issuer by the issuance of the Securities will result in interest expense and other costs incurred in connection with the borrowings that may not be covered by the net interest income, dividends and appreciation of the Collateral Obligations. The use of leverage generally magnifies the Issuer's risk of loss, particularly for the more subordinate Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares. In certain circumstances, such as in connection with the exercise of remedies following an Event of Default, the Controlling Class may require the Issuer to dispose of some or all of the Collateral Obligations under unfavorable market conditions, thus causing the Issuer to recognize a loss that might not otherwise have occurred. In certain circumstances, the Controlling Class are entitled to direct the sales of Collateral Obligations and may be expected to do so in their own interest, rather than in the interests of the more subordinate Classes of Securities.

*The Issuer Is Newly Formed, Has No Significant Operating History, Has No Material Assets Other than the Collateral and Is Limited in its Permitted Activities*

The Issuer is a newly formed entity and has no significant operating history, other than in connection with the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations during the period up to the Ramp-Up Completion Date. The Issuer will have no material assets other than the Collateral. The Indenture provides that the Issuer is not permitted to engage in any business activity other than the issuance of the Notes, the Composite Securities, the Preference Shares and the Issuer Ordinary Shares, the acquisition and disposition of and investment and reinvestment in Collateral Obligations, certain activities conducted in connection with the payment of amounts in respect of the Securities and the management of the Collateral, and other activities incidental or related to the foregoing. Income derived from the Collateral will be the Issuer's principal source of cash.

*The Co-Issuer Is Newly Formed, Has No Significant Operating History, Has No Material Assets, and Is Limited in its Permitted Activities*

The Co-Issuer is a newly formed Delaware corporation and has no prior operating history. The Co-Issuer will have no material assets. The Indenture provides that the Co-Issuer is not permitted to engage in any business activity other than the co-issuance and sale of the Notes, the issuance of its share capital, and other activities incidental or related to the foregoing.

*The Notes Are Limited Recourse Obligations; Investors Must Rely on Available Collections from the Collateral and Will Have No Other Source for Payment*

The Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuers. The Securities are payable solely from the Collateral pledged by the Issuer to secure the Notes. None of the security holders, members, officers, directors, partners, or incorporators of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agents, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Administrator, the Share Registrar, the Share Trustee, any of their respective affiliates, or any other person will be obligated to make payments on the Notes. The Issuer's ability to make interest payments and principal repayments on the Notes will be constrained by the terms of the Indenture. Holders of the Notes must rely solely on collections received on the Collateral pledged to secure the Notes and for the payment of interest and principal on the Notes, and there can be no assurance that those collections will be sufficient to pay all amounts due on the Notes. If distributions on the Collateral are insufficient to make payments on the Notes, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and, following liquidation of all of the Collateral, the Co-Issuers will not have any obligation to pay any deficiency, which shall be extinguished and shall not revive.

*The Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components) Are Limited Recourse Obligations; Investors Must Rely on Available Collections from the Collateral and Will Have No Other Source for Payment.*

The Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components) are limited recourse obligations of the Issuer. The Composite Securities are payable solely from the Collateral pledged by the Issuer to secure the Notes and the Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Component). None of the security holders, members, officers, directors, partners, or incorporators of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agents, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Administrator, the Share Registrar, the Share Trustee, any of their respective Affiliates, or any other person will be obligated to make payments on the Composite Securities. The Issuer's ability to make payments on the Composite Securities will be constrained by the terms of the Indenture. Holders of the Composite Securities must rely solely on collections received on the Collateral pledged to secure the Notes and the Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components), and there can be no assurance that those collections will be sufficient to pay all amounts due on the Composite Securities. If distributions on the Collateral are insufficient to make payments on the Composite Securities, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and, following liquidation of all of the Collateral, the Issuer will not have any obligation to pay any deficiency, which shall be extinguished and shall not revive.

*The Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components) are not Secured Obligations; Investors Must Rely on Available Collections from the Collateral and Will Have No Other Source for Payment*

The Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components) will be part of the issued share capital of the Issuer. The Preference Shares are equity in the Issuer and are not secured by the Collateral Obligations or other Collateral securing the Notes. As such, the Holders of Preference Shares will rank behind all creditors, whether secured or unsecured and known or unknown, of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the holders of the Notes and any Hedge Counterparties. Except with respect to the obligations of the Issuer to pay the amounts described under the "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" and "—Principal Proceeds," the Issuer does not, however, expect to have any creditors though there can be no assurance that this will be the case. In addition, the Issuer is also subject to limitations with respect to the business that it may undertake. See "The Co-Issuers—Business." Payments in respect of the Preference Shares are subject to certain requirements imposed by Cayman Islands law. Any amounts paid by the Preference Shares Paying Agent as dividends on the Preference Shares will be payable only if the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or balance in the Issuer's share premium account. In addition, dividends and the final payment upon redemption of the Preference Shares will be payable only to the extent that the Issuer is and will remain solvent after such dividends or redemption payment is paid. Under Cayman Islands law, a company is generally deemed to be solvent if it is able to pay its debts as they come due.

The Issuer's obligation to pay dividends or to make other distributions to the Holders of the Preference Shares will therefore not be a secured obligation of the Issuer and such Holders will not be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture, nor will the Trustee have any obligation to act on behalf of the Holders of Preference Shares. Holders of the Preference Shares will only be entitled to receive amounts available for payment of dividends or other distributions after payment of all amounts payable on each Class of Notes and certain other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments and only to the extent of distributable profits of the Issuer and/or any balance in the Issuer's share premium account and (in each case) only to the extent that the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distributions.

To the extent the requirements under Cayman Islands law described in the preceding paragraphs are not met, amounts otherwise payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares will be retained in the Preference Shares Distribution Account until, in the case of dividends, the next succeeding Payment Date on which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent such requirements are met and, in the case of any payment on redemption of the Preference Shares, the next succeeding Business Day on which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent such requirements are met. Amounts on deposit in

the Preference Shares Distribution Account will not be available to pay amounts due to the Holders of the Notes, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Portfolio Manager, any Hedge Counterparty or any other creditor of the Issuer whose claim is limited in recourse to the Collateral. However, amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account may be subject to the claims of creditors of the Issuer that have not contractually limited their recourse to the Collateral. The Indenture and the Preference Share Documents will limit the Issuer's activities to the issuance and sale of the Securities, the acquisition and disposition of, and investment and reinvestment in, the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments and the other activities related to the issuance and sale of the Securities described under the "The Co-Issuers." The Issuer therefore does not expect to have any significant full recourse liabilities that would be payable out of amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

*The Issuer May Not Be Able to Invest and Reinvest Available Funds in Appropriate Collateral*

The amount of Collateral Obligations purchased on the Closing Date, the amount and timing of the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations before the Ramp-Up Completion Date, and the subsequent reinvestment of Principal Proceeds, will affect the cash flows available to make payments on, and the return to the Holders of, the Securities. Reduced liquidity and relatively lower volumes of trading in certain Collateral Obligations, in addition to restrictions on investment represented by the Eligibility Criteria, could result in periods during which the Issuer is not able to fully invest its available cash in Collateral Obligations, and it is unlikely that the Issuer's available cash will be fully invested in Collateral Obligations at any time. The longer the period before reinvestment of cash or cash-equivalents in Collateral Obligations and the larger the amount of uninvested cash or cash equivalents, the greater the adverse impact may be on aggregate interest collected and distributed by the Issuer, thereby resulting in lower yield than could have been obtained if the net proceeds associated with the offering of the Securities and all Principal Proceeds were immediately and fully reinvested. The associated reinvestment risk on the Collateral Obligations will be borne first by the Holders of the Preference Shares and second by the Holders of the Notes (beginning with the most subordinated Class of Notes). Although the Portfolio Manager may mitigate this risk to some degree during the Reinvestment Period by declaring a Special Redemption, the Portfolio Manager is not required to do so, and any Special Redemption may result in a lower yield on the Issuer's assets than could have been obtained if the net proceeds from the offering of the Securities and all Principal Proceeds were immediately and fully reinvested and no Special Redemption had taken place.

Generally, Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations, and Sale Proceeds received on the Collateral Obligations) will be reinvested during the Reinvestment Period (and, Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, may be invested on any date after the Reinvestment Period, at the discretion of the Portfolio Manager) in substitute Collateral Obligations or temporarily reinvested in the Eligible Investments pending reinvestment in substitute Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The earnings with respect to substitute Collateral Obligations will depend, among other factors, on reinvestment rates available in the marketplace at the time and on the availability of investments acceptable to the Portfolio Manager that satisfy the criteria under "Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria." The need to satisfy the criteria and identify acceptable investments may require the purchase of substitute Collateral Obligations having lower yields than those initially acquired or require that Principal Proceeds be held temporarily in cash or Eligible Investments, which will reduce the yield earned by the Issuer. Further, issuers of Collateral Obligations may be more likely to exercise any rights they may have to redeem them when interest rates or spreads are declining. Any decrease in the yield on the Collateral Obligations will reduce the amounts available to make payments of principal and interest on the Notes and payments on the Preference Shares.

The Issuer expects that, as of the Closing Date, it will have purchased (or entered into commitments to purchase) at least approximately \$400,000,000 in Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations to be included in the anticipated portfolio as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

*Changes in Tax Law Could Result in the Imposition of Withholding Taxes with Respect to Payments on the Securities, and the Issuer Will Not Gross-Up Payments to Holders*

Although no withholding tax is currently imposed by the United States or the Cayman Islands on payments on the Securities, there can be no assurance that, as a result of any change in any applicable law, treaty, rule, regulation, or interpretation thereof, the payments with respect to the Securities would not in the future become subject to withholding taxes. If any withholding tax is imposed on payments on any Securities, the Issuer will not “gross up” payments to their Holders.

*The Securities Are Subject to Substantial Transfer Restrictions*

The Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act, under any U.S. state securities or “Blue Sky” laws, or under the securities laws of any other jurisdiction and are being issued and sold in reliance upon exemptions from registration provided by those laws. No Securities may be sold or transferred unless: the sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act (for example, in reliance on exemptions provided by Rule 144A or Regulation S) and applicable state securities laws; and the sale or transfer does not cause either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral to become subject to the registration requirements of the Investment Company Act. See “Transfer Restrictions” and “Considerations for Benefit Plans.”

*Non-Compliance with Restrictions on Ownership of the Securities under the United States Investment Company Act of 1940 Could Adversely Affect the Issuer*

Neither of the Co-Issuers has registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) as an investment company pursuant to the Investment Company Act. The Issuer has not so registered in reliance on an exclusion from the definition of “investment company” for companies organized under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States or any of its states: (i) whose investors residing in the United States are solely “qualified purchasers” (within the meaning given to such term in the Investment Company Act and related SEC regulations); and (ii) that do not make a public offering of their securities in the United States. No opinion or no-action position with respect to the registration of either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral under the Investment Company Act has been requested of, or received from, the SEC.

If the SEC or a court of competent jurisdiction were to find that the Issuer or the Co-Issuer is required, but in violation of the Investment Company Act had failed, to register as an investment company, possible consequences include the following: (i) the SEC could apply to a district court to enjoin the violation; (ii) investors in the Issuer or the Co-Issuer could sue the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, and recover any damages caused by the violation; and (iii) any contract to which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, is party whose performance involves a violation of the Investment Company Act would be unenforceable by any party to the contract unless a court were to find that under the circumstances enforcement would produce a more equitable result than non-enforcement and would not be inconsistent with the purposes of the Investment Company Act.

In addition, the Issuer’s being required to register as an investment company would result in an Event of Default. See “Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default.” Should the Issuer or the Co-Issuer be subjected to any or all of the foregoing, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, would be materially and adversely affected.

*The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary*

The Stated Maturity of the Notes is the Payment Date in August 1, 2017 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date. The weighted average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years until their Stated Maturity. See “Description of the Securities.” The weighted average life of a Class of Notes will be affected by the amount and timing of payments of principal of the Notes and the amount and timing of payments received on the Collateral Obligations. The amount and timing of payments of principal on the Notes will be

affected by, among other things, any Optional Redemption of the Notes, a failure of any Coverage Test, a Rating Confirmation Failure, any failure by the Portfolio Manager to invest or reinvest uninvested proceeds of the offering of the Securities in Collateral Obligations, a redemption of the Securities made in connection with a Tax Event, any Special Redemption of one or more Classes of Notes, and an Event of Default by the Issuer in the payment of the Notes and an acceleration of the principal of the Notes in connection with an Event of Default. The occurrence of any of the foregoing unscheduled principal repayments of the Notes is, in turn, determined by the amount and timing of payments on the Collateral, which will be dependent on, among other things, the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral and the characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, including the existence and frequency of exercise of any prepayment, optional redemption, or sinking fund features, the prevailing level of interest rates, the redemption price, the actual default rate and the actual level of recoveries on any Defaulted Collateral Obligations, the frequency of tender or exchange offers for the Collateral Obligations and any sales of Collateral Obligations, dividends or other distributions received on any obligations that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange do not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, as well as the risks unique to investments in obligations of foreign issuers. See “Security for the Notes.”

*A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected*

Under the Indenture, the Issuer, if directed by the Portfolio Manager, shall be entitled, on each Extension Effective Date, to extend the Reinvestment Period (a maximum of four times) to the applicable Extended Reinvestment Period End Date if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Reinvestment Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. Under the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents, if the Reinvestment Period is so extended, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Composite Securities (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) will be equally extended and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended without the requirement for any approval or consent of any Holders of Securities. Holders of Securities will not be able to prevent or prohibit the extension of the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Composite Securities (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) so long as the Extension Conditions are satisfied, which include the ability of Holders of Securities to sell their Securities at the designated purchase price to a designated purchaser under the Indenture. However, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Indenture provides that Holders of Preference Shares that have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 15.0% as of the Extension Effective Date will not receive any payment in exchange for their Preference Shares sold in connection with a Maturity Extension.

As a consequence, if the Portfolio Manager elects to extend the Reinvestment Period and the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Holders of the Securities may either be required to hold their Securities for a significantly longer period of time or be forced to sell their Securities for the applicable purchase price under the Indenture, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Securities.

*An Amendment Buy-Out May Result in a Shorter Holding Period Than Expected*

Any Non-Consenting Holder of Securities with respect to an amendment of the Indenture (which includes Holders that fail to respond to a consent solicitation within the applicable period) may be forced to sell its applicable Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Securities. However, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Indenture provides that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price will be zero for Non-Consenting Holders that have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 15.0% as of the Amendment Buy-Out Date. See “Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out.” A Holder’s ability to vote against an amendment or affect or influence the amendment process with respect to the Indenture may thus be limited. The

Amendment Buy-Out Option may also increase the ability of the Portfolio Manager to affect or influence the amendment process.

*The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests*

If any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied on any Determination Date on which the Notes of the relevant Class are Outstanding, Interest Proceeds available on the related Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments (and, to the extent Interest Proceeds are insufficient, Principal Proceeds available on the Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments) are required to be applied to pay principal of the relevant Class of Notes (and any Classes senior to it) to the extent necessary for the relevant Coverage Test to be satisfied. The application of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to pay principal of the Notes to the extent necessary to restore the Coverage Tests to certain minimum required levels could result in an elimination, deferral or reduction in the amounts available to make distributions on the Preference Shares and interest and principal payments on one or more classes of Notes, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of the Securities.

*The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure*

If any rating of any Class of Notes is reduced or withdrawn or placed on credit watch with negative implications by the Business Day after the 29<sup>th</sup> day after the Ramp-Up Completion Date by either Rating Agency, Interest Proceeds and, if Interest Proceeds are insufficient, Principal Proceeds, are required to be diverted in accordance with the Priority of Payments and used to pay the principal of the Notes sequentially in order of their relative priority on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date after that until each rating is reinstated. The application of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to pay principal of the Notes to the extent necessary for one or more ratings to be reinstated could result in an elimination, deferral, or reduction in one or more payments or distributions on one or more Classes of Securities, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of those Classes of Securities.

*The Indenture Permits Special Redemption of Notes Based on the Portfolio Manager's Inability to Identify Investments*

The Portfolio Manager is permitted under the Indenture to elect to have all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be invested in additional Collateral Obligations applied to a Special Redemption of the Notes, in whole or in part, on one or more Payment Dates during the Reinvestment Period because it has been unable, for a period of at least 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the investment or reinvestment of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be invested in additional Collateral Obligations. On the Special Redemption Date, in accordance with the Indenture, the Special Redemption Amount will be applied in accordance with "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds," to the extent available (which includes for this purpose uninvested proceeds specified by the Portfolio Manager), to pay the principal of the Notes. The application of funds in that manner could result in an elimination, deferral, or reduction of amounts available to make payments on Securities subordinate in priority to the Securities being amortized. See "Description of the Securities—Special Redemption of Notes If the Portfolio Manager Does Not Identify Investments as Contemplated by the Indenture."

*The Notes Are Subject to Optional Redemption*

Subject to satisfaction of certain conditions, on any Payment Date upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the Holders of at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares may require that the Notes be redeemed as described under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption." In the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Portfolio Manager may be required to aggregate Collateral Obligations to be sold together in one block transaction, thereby possibly resulting in a lower realized value for the Collateral Obligations sold. There can be no assurance that the market value of the Collateral will be sufficient for the Holders



of the Preference Shares to direct an Optional Redemption of the Notes. A decrease in the market value of the Collateral would adversely affect the Sale Proceeds from their sale. Consequently, the conditions precedent to the exercise of an Optional Redemption may not be met. Moreover, the Holders of the Notes may not be able to invest the proceeds of the redemption of the Notes in investments providing a return equal to or greater than the Holders of the Notes expected to obtain from their investment in the Notes.

*Future Ratings of the Notes and the Composite Securities Are Not Assured and Limited in Scope; the Preference Shares Are Not Rated*

It is a condition to the issuance of the Notes and the Composite Securities that they be rated as provided under “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.” A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and is subject to revision or withdrawal at any time. There is no assurance that a rating will remain for any given period or that a rating will not be lowered or withdrawn entirely by each Rating Agency if in its judgment circumstances in the future so warrant. Any such action could have an adverse effect on the Holders of the relevant Class of Securities. If a rating initially assigned to a Class of Notes or Composite Securities is subsequently lowered for any reason, no person is obligated to provide any additional credit support or credit enhancement.

No rating of the Preference Shares will be sought or obtained in connection with their issuance.

*Events Outside the Control of the Co-Issuers and the Portfolio Manager Can Affect the Securities*

Various acts of God, force majeure, and certain other events beyond the control of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Collateral Administrator, the Indenture Registrar, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Administrator could affect the ability of financial institutions to process payments and transfer funds and could impair the financial records and record-keeping practices of financial institutions and others (including the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Collateral Administrator, the Indenture Registrar, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Administrator). In addition, the existence of those circumstances could cause lenders and other creditors more readily to agree to restructure debt obligations (including payment terms) than they would in the absence of those circumstances. The existence of those circumstances could adversely affect the ability of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, to make timely payments on the Securities.

*The Issuer could be Treated as Engaged in a United States Trade or Business*

Prior to the issuance of the Securities, the Issuer will receive an opinion from Latham & Watkins LLP, special U.S. federal tax counsel to the Issuer (“Tax Counsel”), which opinion is based in part on the safe harbor provided by Section 864(b)(2) of the Code and the Treasury regulations thereunder applying to non-U.S. corporations that restrict their activities in the United States to trading in stocks and securities for their own account. The opinion will be to the effect that, although no activity closely comparable to that contemplated by the Issuer has been the subject of any Treasury regulation, revenue ruling or judicial decision and hence the matter is not free from doubt, assuming compliance with the Issuer’s Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Indenture, the Management Agreement, and other related documents by all parties thereto, the Issuer’s permitted activities will not cause it to be treated as engaged in the conduct of a U.S. trade or business for U.S. federal income tax purposes and, consequently, the Issuer’s profits will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis or the branch profits tax. However, in the absence of authority on point, the U.S. federal income tax treatment of the Issuer is not entirely free from doubt, and there can be no assurance that positions contrary to the opinion may not be asserted successfully by the Internal Revenue Service (the “IRS”). The opinion is based on certain assumptions and on certain representations and agreements regarding restrictions on the future conduct of the activities of the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager. Although the Issuer intends to conduct its business in accordance with such assumptions, representations and agreements, if it were nonetheless determined that the Issuer was engaged in a United States trade or business and had taxable income that is effectively connected with such United States trade or business, then the Issuer would be subject under the Code to the regular corporate income tax on such effectively connected taxable income and possibly to the 30% branch profits tax as well. Such taxes would reduce the amounts available to make payments on the

Notes and distribution to the holders of the Preference Shares. Investors should note that the Treasury and the IRS recently announced that they are considering taxpayer requests for specific guidance on, among other things, whether a foreign person may be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States by virtue of entering into credit default swaps. However, the Treasury and the IRS have not yet provided any guidance on whether they believe entering into credit default swaps may cause a foreign person to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States and if so, what facts and circumstances must be present for this conclusion to apply. Any future guidance issued by the Treasury and/or the IRS may have an adverse impact on the tax treatment of the Issuer. See discussion under the heading “Material Income Tax Considerations—U.S. Federal Income Taxation of the Issuer—U.S. Federal Income Tax” below. There can be no assurance that, if the Issuer were determined to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States and thus subject to U.S. federal income taxes (and branch profits taxes), remaining payments on the Collateral would be sufficient to make timely payments of interest on, payment of principal and payment of other distributions at the applicable Stated Maturity of the Securities. In addition, all or a portion of the payments on the Notes to a holder that is not a U.S. Holder (as defined in “Material Income Tax Considerations—General” below) could in such circumstance be subject to a 30% U.S. federal withholding tax. See “Material Income Tax Considerations.”

#### *Benefit Plan Investors*

Certain transactions involving the Co-Issuers in the ordinary course might be deemed to constitute “prohibited transactions” under the United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”), and Section 4975 of the Code with respect to Benefit Plan Investors (as defined in “Considerations for Benefit Plans”) subject thereto that purchase the Securities, if assets of the Issuer and/or the Co-Issuer were deemed to be “plan assets” subject to ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or Similar Law (as defined in “Considerations for Benefit Plans”). The Issuer intends to restrict ownership of the Preference Shares and the Composite Securities by Benefit Plan Investors so that no assets of the Issuer will be deemed to be “plan assets” of a plan subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code. Specifically, the Issuer, in reliance on purchaser and transferee representations and deemed representations, intends to restrict the acquisition of the Preference Shares and the Composite Securities so that less than 25% of the aggregate outstanding amount of the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components) will be held by Benefit Plan Investors (determined without regard to those Preference Shares and Preference Share Components held by Controlling Persons (as defined in “Considerations for Benefit Plans”), such as the Preference Shares held by the Portfolio Manager or its affiliates and employees thereof). In addition, except for purchases from the Issuer in the initial offering, no purchase of a Preference Share or a Composite Security by, or proposed transfer to, a person that wishes to take delivery in the form of a Regulation S Global Preference Share or Regulation S Global Composite Security will be permitted if that person has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person. However, there can be no assurance that the ownership of the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components) by Benefit Plan Investors will always remain below the 25% threshold established under the Plan Asset Regulation (as defined in “Considerations for Benefit Plans”).

Although the Co-Issuers believe that the Notes should be classified as indebtedness (rather than as equity) for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulation (as defined in “Considerations for Benefit Plans”) (and thus will allow more than 25% of each class of Notes to be purchased by Benefit Plan Investors), there can be no assurance that the Notes will be so characterized, and the characterization of one or more classes of the Notes could change if the financial condition of the Co-Issuers changes or other terms and conditions of the Notes change.

If the Benefit Plan Investor ownership of the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components) were to meet or exceed the 25% threshold described above, or any class of the Composite Securities or the Notes were characterized as equity and such threshold were exceeded with respect to such class, resulting in the assets of the Co-Issuers being deemed to be “plan assets,” certain transactions that the Co-Issuers might enter into, or may have entered into, in the ordinary course of business, might

constitute non-exempt prohibited transactions under ERISA and/or Section 4975 of the Code and might have to be rescinded. Additionally, the Co-Issuers or other “parties in interest” (as defined in Section 3(14) of ERISA) or “disqualified persons” (as defined in Section 4975(e)(2) of the Code) may be subject to other penalties and liabilities with respect to the transaction.

In addition, the acquisition or holding of the Securities by or on behalf of a plan subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, or a governmental, foreign or church plan subject to laws substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, could give rise to a prohibited transaction if the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agents, other persons providing services in connection with the Co-Issuers, or any of their respective affiliates, is a “disqualified person” or “party in interest” with respect to that plan. If such transaction is not exempt from ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code or, if applicable, substantially similar laws pertaining to governmental, foreign or church plans, the transaction may have to be rescinded and the Co-Issuers or other “disqualified persons” or “parties in interest” may be subject to other penalties with respect to the transaction. Therefore, each investor in the Securities will be required or deemed to represent and warrant that either (i) it is not, and is not using the assets of, and throughout the holding and disposition of such Securities will not become or transfer its interest to, a plan subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, or an entity that is deemed to hold assets of any of the foregoing or a governmental, foreign or church plan which is subject to any federal, state, foreign or local law that is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or (ii) its purchase, holding and disposition of such Securities will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law) because such purchase, holding and disposition either (x) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (y) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all of the conditions of which are and will be satisfied upon the acquisition of, and throughout its holding and disposition of such Securities.

Any transfer in violation of the foregoing representations will be treated as having no force and effect and will be null and void *ab initio*, potentially causing loss to the investor purchasing in violation of these representations.

See “Considerations for Benefit Plans” herein for a more detailed discussion of certain ERISA and related considerations with respect to an investment in the Securities by an employee benefit plan or similar plan or arrangement.

### **Relating to the Portfolio Manager**

#### *The Issuer Will Depend on the Managerial Expertise Available to the Portfolio Manager and its Key Personnel*

The performance of the Issuer’s investment portfolio depends heavily on the skills of the Portfolio Manager in analyzing, selecting and managing the Collateral Obligations. As a result, the Issuer will be highly dependent on the financial and managerial experience of certain investment professionals associated with the Portfolio Manager, none of whom is under a contractual obligation to the Issuer to continue to be associated with the Portfolio Manager for the term of this transaction. The loss of one or more of these individuals could have a material adverse effect on the performance of the Co-Issuers. Furthermore, the Portfolio Manager has informed the Issuer that these investment professionals are also actively involved in other investment activities and will not be able to devote all of their time to the Issuer’s business and affairs. In addition, individuals not currently associated with the Portfolio Manager may become associated with the Portfolio Manager and the performance of the Collateral Obligations may also depend on the financial and managerial experience of such individuals. See “The Management Agreement” and “The Portfolio Manager.”

*The Issuer Will Have Limited Control of the Administration and Amendment of Collateral Obligations*

The Portfolio Manager will cause the Issuer to exercise or enforce, or refrain from exercising or enforcing, its rights in connection with the Collateral Obligations or any related documents or will refuse amendments or waivers of the terms of any Collateral Obligation and related documents in accordance with its ordinary business practices as if the Portfolio Manager were administering the Collateral Obligations for its own account. The authority of the Portfolio Manager to cause the Issuer to change the terms of the Collateral Obligations will generally not be restricted by the Indenture or the Management Agreement. As a result, the Issuer will be relying on the Portfolio Manager's customary standards, policies and procedures with respect to the servicing of the Collateral Obligations. The Holders of the Securities and the Issuer will not have any right to compel the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager to take or refrain from taking any actions other than in accordance with its ordinary business practices.

In addition, when the Issuer holds a Participation, the Issuer generally will have no right to enforce compliance by the borrower with the loan or credit agreement or other instrument evidencing the related loan obligation, no rights of set-off against the borrower, no direct interest in the collateral supporting the loan obligation, and no right to vote with respect to amendments of, or waivers of defaults under, the loan obligation. However, most participation agreements relating to Participations in loans provide that the Participating Institution may not vote in favor of any amendment, modification, or waiver that forgives principal, interest, or fees; reduces principal, interest, or fees that are payable; postpones any payment of principal (whether a scheduled payment or a mandatory prepayment), interest or fees; or releases any material guarantee or security without the consent of the participant (at least to the extent the participant would be affected by the amendment, modification, or waiver). A Participating Institution voting in connection with a potential waiver of a default by an obligor may have interests different from those of the Issuer, and the Participating Institution might not consider the interests of the Issuer in connection with its vote. In addition, many participation agreements relating to Participations in loans that do provide voting rights to the participant further provide that if the participant does not vote in favor of amendments, modifications, or waivers, the Participating Institution may repurchase the Participation at par. In the event of the insolvency of the Participating Institution, the Issuer may be treated as a general creditor of the Participating Institution with respect to a Participation and may not benefit from any set-off between the Participating Institution and the borrower and may not be able to proceed against the collateral supporting the loan obligation. As a result, the Issuer is subject to the credit risk of both the borrower and the Participating Institution. An investment by the Issuer in a Synthetic Security related to a Loan involves many of the same considerations relevant to Participations. See “—Relating to the Collateral Obligations—Investing in Loans Involves Particular Risks” and “—Investing in Synthetic Securities Involves Particular Risks” below.

A modification that would increase the commitment of a lender, reduce the interest rate, or postpone the final maturity of an obligation under a participation agreement, or release all of the collateral for an obligation, generally requires the affirmative vote of the participating lender for a loan in which the Issuer owns a Participation, or of the Issuer for a Loan purchased by assignment, for the increase, reduction, or postponement to be binding. The exercise of remedies may also be subject to the vote of a specified percentage of the lenders under the loan obligation. The Portfolio Manager will have the authority to cause the Issuer to consent to certain amendments, waivers, or modifications to the Collateral Obligations requested by obligors or the lead agents for participation agreements relating to Participations (subject to operating procedures intended to reduce the risk that the Issuer would be deemed to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States for United States federal income tax purposes). The Portfolio Manager may, subject to the transaction documents, cause the Issuer to extend or defer the maturity, adjust the outstanding balance of any Collateral Obligation, reduce or forgive interest or fees, release material collateral or guarantees, or otherwise amend, modify, or waive the terms of any related loan agreement, including its payment terms. The Portfolio Manager will make determinations in accordance with its servicing standards under the Management Agreement. Any amendment, waiver, or modification of a Collateral Obligation could postpone the expected maturity of the Notes or the expected

redemption date of the Preference Shares, or reduce the likelihood of timely and complete payment of interest or principal under the Notes or a full return of an investment in the Preference Shares.

*Performance History of the Portfolio Manager May Not Be Indicative of Future Results*

Any prior investment results of the Portfolio Manager, and the persons associated with it or any other entity may not be indicative of the Issuer's future investment results. The nature of, and risks associated with, the Issuer's future investments may differ substantially from those investments and strategies undertaken historically by the Portfolio Manager, and the persons associated with it or any other entity. There can be no assurance that the Issuer's investments will perform as well as the past investments of the Portfolio Manager, and the persons associated with it or any other entity. Moreover, since the investment criteria that govern investments in the Collateral Obligations do not govern the Portfolio Manager's investments and investment strategies generally, investments in the Collateral Obligations conducted in accordance with the investment criteria that govern investments in the Collateral Obligations, and the results they yield, may differ substantially from other investments undertaken by the Portfolio Manager.

Notwithstanding the inapplicability of the results obtained and expected to be obtained from the past investments of the Portfolio Manager, a period of increased volatility in market conditions, including interest rate environments, can have an adverse effect on the realized and unrealized returns to investors in the past investments of the Portfolio Manager. There can be no assurance that current economic conditions and the effects of increased interest rate and corresponding price volatility will not adversely impact the investment returns ultimately realized by investors or continued compliance with, among other things, applicable coverage requirements described in this Offering Memorandum.

*Right of Portfolio Manager to Avoid Removal Without Cause May Result in a Shorter Holding Period of the Preference Shares Than Expected*

The Portfolio Manager may be removed without cause upon 90 days' prior written notice by the Issuer, at the direction of the Holders of a Super Majority of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares (excluding Preference Shares held by the Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates or any account for which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority at the time of such vote); *provided, however*, that the Portfolio Manager shall have the right to avoid such removal if, in accordance with the terms described in "The Management Agreement," the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser purchases not less than all of the Directing Preference Shares and all of the Composite Securities relating to the Preference Share Components which constitute a part of the Directing Preference Shares. Upon the occurrence of such purchase by the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser of all of the Directing Preference Shares and all of the Composite Securities relating to the Preference Share Components which constitute a part of the Directing Preference Shares, the Holders of such Directing Preference Shares or Composite Securities, as the case may be, will be forced to sell their Preference Shares or Composite Securities, as the case may be, to the Portfolio Manager at the Buy-Out Amount, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Preference Shares or the Composite Securities, as the case may be. However, the Management Agreement provides that the Buy-Out Amount will be zero for Directing Preference Shares that have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 15.0% as of the purchase date (*provided* that the Buy-Out Amount of the Note Component of any applicable Composite Securities shall in all cases be the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes underlying such Note Component plus all accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) thereon). See "The Management Agreement." The ability of a Holder of Preference Shares to remove the Portfolio Manager or affect or influence the removal of the Portfolio Manager may thus be limited.

**Relating to the Collateral Obligations**

*In General, the Collateral Obligations Are Subject to Various Risks*

The Collateral Obligations are subject to credit, liquidity, and interest rate risks, among others. The Eligibility Criteria and the Collateral Quality Tests have been established to address certain assumed

deficiencies in payment occasioned by defaults with respect to the Collateral Obligations. If any deficiencies exceed certain modeled scenarios, however, payments or distributions on the Securities could be adversely affected. To the extent that a default occurs with respect to any Collateral Obligation securing the Notes and the Issuer (on the advice of the Portfolio Manager) sells or otherwise disposes of the Collateral Obligation, it is not likely that the proceeds of the sale or other disposition will be equal to the amount of principal and interest owing to the Issuer on the Collateral Obligation.

The value of the Collateral Obligations generally will fluctuate with, among other things, the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral Obligations and, with respect to Synthetic Securities, both the financial condition of the related Synthetic Security counterparties and the obligors on or issuers of the Reference Obligations, general economic conditions, the condition of certain financial markets, political events, developments or trends in any particular industry, and changes in prevailing interest rates.

The ability of the Issuer to sell Collateral Obligations before their maturity is subject to certain restrictions under the Indenture including those described under “Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Reinvestment of Principal Proceeds and Reinvestment Criteria.”

*Investing in Below Investment-Grade Obligations Involves Particular Risks*

A substantial amount of the Collateral Obligations will consist of loans, bonds and other obligations that are below investment grade, including high-yield loans and securities. Those Collateral Obligations will have greater credit and liquidity risk than investment grade obligations. They are also often unsecured and may be subordinated to certain other obligations of their issuer. The lower rating of those Collateral Obligations reflects a greater possibility that adverse changes in the financial condition of an issuer or in general economic conditions or both may impair the ability of their issuer to make payments of principal or interest. These Collateral Obligations may be speculative.

Risks of below investment-grade Collateral Obligations may include (among others):

- (i) limited liquidity and secondary market support;
- (ii) in the case of fixed-rate high-yield debt securities, substantial market place volatility resulting from changes in prevailing interest rates;
- (iii) subordination to the prior claims of senior lenders and creditors;
- (iv) the operation of mandatory sinking fund or call and redemption provisions during periods of declining interest rates that could cause the Issuer to reinvest premature redemption proceeds in lower-yielding debt obligations;
- (v) the possibility that earnings of the below investment-grade issuer may be insufficient to meet its debt service; and
- (vi) the declining creditworthiness and potential for insolvency of a below investment-grade issuer during periods of rising interest rates and economic downturn.

An economic downturn or an increase in interest rates could severely disrupt the market for below investment-grade obligations and could adversely affect the value of outstanding below investment-grade obligations and the ability of their issuers to repay principal and interest.

Issuers that are below investment grade may be highly leveraged and may not have available to them more traditional methods of financing. The risk associated with obligations of below investment-grade issuers is generally greater than is the case with investment grade issuers. For example, during an economic downturn or a sustained period of rising interest rates, below investment-grade issuers may be more likely to experience financial stress, especially if they are highly leveraged. During those periods,

timely service of debt obligations may also be adversely affected by specific issuer developments, or the issuer's inability to meet specific projected business forecasts or the unavailability of additional financing. The risk of loss from default by the issuer is significantly greater for the holders of below investment-grade obligations because those obligations may be unsecured and may be subordinated to obligations owed to other creditors of the issuer. In addition, the Issuer may incur additional expenses to the extent it is required to seek recovery upon a default on such an obligation or participate in its restructuring.

As a result of the limited liquidity of below investment-grade obligations, their prices have at times experienced significant and rapid decline when a substantial number of holders decided to sell. In addition, the Issuer may have difficulty disposing of certain below investment-grade obligations because there may be a thin trading market for them. To the extent that a secondary trading market for below investment-grade obligations does exist, it is generally not as liquid as the secondary market for highly rated obligations. Reduced secondary market liquidity may have an adverse impact on the Issuer's ability to dispose of particular Collateral Obligations in response to a specific economic event, such as a deterioration in the creditworthiness of the issuer of the Collateral Obligation.

#### *Investing in Loans Involves Particular Risks*

The Collateral Obligations will consist primarily of Dollar-denominated senior secured and senior unsecured loans, which are required by the Indenture to be obligations of corporations, partnerships, or other entities organized under the laws of the United States (or any of its states) or of foreign obligors meeting specified criteria, or Synthetic Securities the Reference Obligations of which are such loans. See "Security for the Notes—Collateral Obligations."

Loans may become non-performing for a variety of reasons. Non-performing loans may require substantial workout negotiations or restructuring that may entail, among other things, a substantial reduction in the interest rate or a substantial write-down of the principal of a loan. In addition, because of the unique and customized nature of a loan agreement and the private syndication of a loan, loans typically may not be purchased or sold as easily as publicly traded securities, and historically the trading volume in the bank term loan market has been small relative to the corporate bond market. Loans may encounter trading delays due to their unique and customized nature, and transfers may require the consent of an agent bank or borrower.

The Issuer may acquire interests in loans either directly (by assignment) or indirectly (by Participation or through Synthetic Securities). The Issuer may not originate any loans. The purchaser of an assignment of a loan obligation typically succeeds to all the rights and obligations of the selling institution and becomes a lender under the loan or credit agreement with respect to the debt obligation. In contrast, a Participation acquired by the Issuer in a portion of a loan obligation held by a Participating Institution or a security or other debt obligation typically results in a contractual relationship only with the Participating Institution, not with the borrower. The Issuer would have the right to receive payments of principal, interest, and any fees to which it is entitled under a Participation only from the Participating Institution and only upon receipt by the Participating Institution of those payments from the borrower. The Issuer will be subject to restrictions on the amount of Participations that may be acquired for inclusion in the Collateral. See "Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria."

Certain of the loans in the Issuer's portfolio may be unsecured or secured by collateral worth less than the outstanding balance of the loan. In addition to the general risks associated with loans described above, unsecured loans will not be secured by substantial collateral or any collateral and secured loans may be substantially under-secured. Without collateral and with materially inadequate collateral, the ability of the holder of the loan to recover amounts due from the borrower may be substantially limited.

#### *Investing in Structured Finance Obligations Involves Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of Structured Finance Obligations and Synthetic Securities the Reference Obligations of which are Loans, Structured Finance Obligations or High-Yield Bonds. Structured Finance Obligations may present risks similar to those of the other types

of Collateral Obligations in which the Issuer may invest and, in fact, the risks may be of greater significance in the case of Structured Finance Obligations. Moreover, investing in Structured Finance Obligations may entail a variety of unique risks. Among other risks, Structured Finance Obligations may be subject to prepayment risk, credit risk, liquidity risk, market risk, structural risk, legal risk and interest rate risk (which may be exacerbated if the interest rate payable on a Structured Finance Obligation changes based on multiples of changes in interest rates or inversely to changes in interest rates). In addition, certain Structured Finance Obligations (particularly subordinated collateralized bond obligations) may provide that non-payment of interest is not an event of default in certain circumstances and the holders of the securities will therefore not have available to them any associated default remedies. During the period of non-payment, unpaid interest will generally be capitalized and added to the outstanding principal balance of the related security. Furthermore, the performance of a Structured Finance Obligation will be affected by a variety of factors, including its priority in the capital structure of its issuer the availability of any credit enhancement, the level and timing of payments and recoveries on and the characteristics of the underlying receivables, loans, or other assets that are being securitized, bankruptcy remoteness of those assets from the originator or transferor, the adequacy of and ability to realize on any related collateral, and the skill of the manager of the Structured Finance Obligation in managing securitized assets. The price of a Structured Finance Obligation, if required to be sold, may be subject to certain market and liquidity risks for securities of its type at the time of sale. In addition, Structured Finance Obligations may involve initial and ongoing expenses above the costs associated with the related direct investments.

*Investing in Synthetic Securities Involves Particular Risks*

As described above, a portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of Synthetic Securities the Reference Obligations of which are Loans, Structured Finance Obligations or High-Yield Bonds. Investments in these types of assets through the purchase of Synthetic Securities present risks in addition to those inherently associated with direct purchases of such assets. With respect to Synthetic Securities, the Issuer will usually have a contractual relationship only with the counterparty of the Synthetic Security, and not the reference obligor on the Reference Obligation. The Issuer will have no right to enforce compliance by the reference obligor with the Reference Obligation nor any rights of set-off against the reference obligor, nor have any voting or other consensual rights of ownership with respect to the Reference Obligation. The Issuer will not directly benefit from any collateral supporting the Reference Obligation and will not have the benefit of the remedies that would normally be available to a holder of the Reference Obligation.

In addition, in the event of the insolvency of the Synthetic Security Counterparty, the Issuer will be treated as a general creditor of the counterparty and will not have any claim of title with respect to the Reference Obligation. Consequently, the Issuer will be subject to the credit risk of the counterparty as well as that of the reference obligor and concentrations of Synthetic Securities entered into with any one counterparty will subject the Securities to an additional degree of risk with respect to defaults by that counterparty. One or more Affiliates of the Placement Agents may act as counterparty with respect to all or a portion of the Synthetic Securities, which relationship may create certain conflicts of interest. See “—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Placement Agent” below. In addition, Synthetic Securities may involve initial and ongoing expenses above the costs associated with the related direct investments. The Issuer will be subject to restrictions on the amount of Synthetic Securities it may own at any one time.

*Some of the Collateral Obligations Will Be Illiquid*

Some of the Collateral Obligations purchased by the Issuer will have no, or only a limited, trading market. The Issuer’s investment in illiquid Collateral Obligations may restrict its ability to dispose of investments in a timely fashion and for a fair price, as well as its ability to take advantage of market opportunities, although the Issuer is generally prohibited by the Indenture from selling Collateral Obligations except under certain limited circumstances described under “Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Reinvestment of Principal Proceeds and Reinvestment Criteria.” Illiquid Collateral Obligations may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid investments. In addition, the



Issuer may invest in privately placed Collateral Obligations that may or may not be freely transferable under the laws of the applicable jurisdiction or due to contractual restrictions on resale, and even if those privately placed Collateral Obligations are transferable, the prices realized from their sale could be less than those originally paid by the Issuer or less than what may be considered their fair value.

*Insolvency Considerations With Respect to Issuers of Collateral Obligations May Affect the Issuer's Rights*

Various laws enacted for the protection of creditors may apply to the Collateral Obligations. If, in a lawsuit brought by a creditor or representative of creditors of an obligor under a Collateral Obligation (such as a trustee in bankruptcy), a court were to find that the obligor did not receive fair consideration or reasonably equivalent value for incurring the indebtedness evidenced by the Collateral Obligation and, after giving effect to the indebtedness and the use of the proceeds thereof, the obligor (i) was insolvent, (ii) was engaged in a business for which the remaining assets of the obligor constituted unreasonably small capital or (iii) intended to incur, or believed that it would incur, debts beyond its ability to pay them as they mature, the court could determine to invalidate, in whole or in part, the indebtedness as a fraudulent conveyance, to subordinate the indebtedness to existing or future creditors of the obligor, or to recover amounts previously paid by the obligor in satisfaction of the indebtedness. There can be no assurance as to what standard a court would apply to determine whether the obligor was "insolvent" or that, regardless of the method of valuation, a court would not determine that the obligor was "insolvent," in each case, after giving effect to the incurrence of the Collateral Obligation and the use of its proceeds. In addition, in the event of the insolvency of an obligor under a Collateral Obligation, payments made on the Collateral Obligation may be subject to avoidance as a "preference" if made within a certain period before insolvency (which may be as long as approximately one year).

In general, if payments on a Collateral Obligation are avoidable, whether as fraudulent conveyances or preferences, the payments can be recaptured either from the initial recipient (such as the Issuer) or from subsequent transferees of the payments (such as the Holders of the Securities). To the extent that any payments are recaptured from the Issuer, the resulting reduction in payments on the Securities will be borne by the Holders of the applicable Class of Securities. A court in a bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding would be able to direct the recapture of any payment from a Holder of the Securities to the extent that the court has jurisdiction over the Holder or its assets. Since there is no judicial precedent relating to structured securities such as the Securities, there can be no assurance that a Holder of Securities will be able to avoid recapture on this basis.

The preceding discussion is based on principles of United States federal and state laws. Insofar as Collateral Obligations that are obligations of non-United States obligors are concerned, the laws of certain foreign jurisdictions may provide for avoidance remedies under factual circumstances similar to, or broader or narrower than, those described above, with consequences that may or may not be analogous to those described above under United States federal and state laws.

*International Investing Involves Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of obligations of obligors Domiciled outside the United States. Investing outside the United States may involve greater risks than investing in the United States. These risks may include: less publicly available information; varying levels of governmental regulation and supervision; and the difficulty of enforcing legal rights in a foreign jurisdiction and uncertainties as to the status, interpretation and application of laws. Moreover, foreign companies may be subject to accounting, auditing, and financial reporting standards, practices, and requirements different from those applicable to U.S. companies.

There generally is less governmental supervision and regulation of exchanges, brokers and issuers in foreign countries than there is in the United States. For example, there may be no comparable provisions under certain foreign laws with respect to insider trading and similar investor protection securities laws that apply with respect to securities transactions consummated in the United States.

Foreign markets also have different clearance and settlement procedures, and in certain markets there have been times when settlements have failed to keep pace with the volume of securities transactions, making it difficult to conduct transactions. Delays in settlement could result in periods when assets of the Issuer are uninvested and no return is earned on them. The inability of the Issuer to make intended purchases of Collateral Obligations due to settlement problems or the risk of intermediary counterparty failures could cause the Issuer to miss investment opportunities. The inability to dispose of a Collateral Obligation due to settlement problems could result either in losses to the Issuer due to subsequent declines in the value of the Collateral Obligation or, if the Issuer has entered into a contract to sell the security, could result in possible liability to the purchaser. Transaction costs of buying and selling foreign securities, including brokerage, tax, and custody costs, also are generally higher than those involved in domestic transactions. Furthermore, foreign financial markets, while generally growing in volume, have, for the most part, substantially less volume than U.S. markets, and securities of many foreign companies are less liquid and their prices more volatile than securities of comparable domestic companies.

In certain foreign countries there is the possibility of expropriation, nationalization, or confiscatory taxation; limitations on the convertibility of currency or the removal of securities, property, or other assets of the Issuer; political, economic, or social instability; or adverse diplomatic developments, each of which could have an adverse effect on the Issuer's investments in the foreign countries (which may make it more difficult to pay Dollar-denominated obligations such as the Collateral Obligations). The economies of individual non-U.S. countries may also differ favorably or unfavorably from the U.S. economy in such respects as growth of gross domestic product, rate of inflation, volatility of currency exchange rates, depreciation, capital reinvestment, resource self-sufficiency and balance of payments position.

*Lender Liability Considerations and Equitable Subordination Can Affect the Issuer's Rights with Respect to Collateral Obligations*

In recent years, a number of judicial decisions in the United States have upheld the right of borrowers to sue lenders and bondholders on the basis of various evolving legal theories (collectively termed "**lender liability**"). Generally, lender liability is founded on the premise that a lender has violated a duty (whether implied or contractual) of good faith and fair dealing owed to the debtor or has assumed a degree of control over the debtor resulting in the creation of a fiduciary duty owed to the debtor or its other creditors or shareholders. Because of the nature of the Collateral Obligations, the Issuer may be subject to allegations of lender liability. In addition, under common law principles that in some cases form the basis for lender liability claims, a court may elect to subordinate the claim of the offending lender to the claims of the disadvantaged creditors, a remedy called "equitable subordination," if a lender: (i) intentionally takes an action that results in the undercapitalization of a borrower to the detriment of other creditors of the borrower; (ii) engages in other inequitable conduct to the detriment of the other creditors; (iii) engages in fraud with respect to, or makes misrepresentations to, the other creditors; or (iv) uses its influence as a lender to dominate or control a borrower to the detriment of other creditors of the borrower.

Because the Collateral Obligations are primarily Loans, the Issuer may be subject to claims from creditors of an obligor that Collateral Obligations issued by the obligor that are held by the Issuer should be equitably subordinated. However, the Portfolio Manager does not intend to engage in conduct that would form the basis for a successful cause of action based on lender liability or the equitable subordination doctrine. Nonetheless, no assurances can be given that actions taken in good faith by the Portfolio Manager will not result in losses to issuers of Collateral Obligations, and that the Issuer will not be liable for any such losses. Furthermore, the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager may be unable to control the conduct of lenders under a loan syndication agreement requiring less than a unanimous vote, yet the Issuer may be subject to lender liability or equitable subordination for such conduct.

The preceding discussion is based on principles of United States federal and state laws. Insofar as Collateral Obligations that are obligations of non-United States obligors are concerned, the laws of certain foreign jurisdictions may impose liability on lenders or bondholders under factual circumstances

similar to, or broader or narrower than, those described above, with consequences that may or may not be analogous to those described above under United States federal and state laws.

*Notes May Be Affected by Interest Rate Risks, Including Mismatches Between the Notes and the Collateral Obligations*

The Notes (other than the Fixed Rate Notes) bear interest at a rate based on LIBOR as determined on the second Business Day prior to the first day of the relevant Interest Period and the Fixed Rate Notes bear interest at a fixed rate. The Collateral Obligations will consist primarily of obligations that bear interest at floating rates, which floating rates may be different than the floating rates on the Floating Rate Notes. Accordingly, the Notes are subject to interest rate risk to the extent that there is a fixed/floating interest rate mismatch between the rates at which interest accrues on the Notes and the rates at which interest accrues on the Collateral. In addition, there may be a timing mismatch between the Floating Rate Notes and the Floating Rate Obligations as the interest on the Floating Rate Obligations may adjust more or less frequently, on different dates and based on different indices than the interest rates on the Floating Rate Notes. Furthermore, any payments of principal of or interest on Collateral received during a Due Period will (except to a limited extent specified in the Indenture) be reinvested in Eligible Investments maturing not later than the Business Day immediately preceding the next Payment Date. There is no requirement that Eligible Investments bear interest at LIBOR or a similar rate, and the interest rates available for Eligible Investments are inherently uncertain. As a result of these mismatches, an increase or decrease in LIBOR for the relevant maturity could adversely affect the ability of the Issuer to make interest payments on the Notes (including due to a rise or a decline in the value of previously issued Collateral Obligations or other Collateral that bear interest at a fixed rate as LIBOR decreases or increases, as applicable) and to make distributions or final distributions on the Preference Shares. To mitigate a portion of the interest rate mismatch, the Issuer may enter into Hedge Agreements that are (in the case of Hedge Agreements entered into after the Closing Date) subject to a Rating Confirmation. However, there can be no assurance that the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, together with the Hedge Agreements, will in all circumstances generate sufficient Interest Proceeds to make timely payments of interest on the Notes. Moreover, the benefits of any Hedge Agreements may not be achieved in the event of the early termination of the Hedge Agreements, including termination upon the failure of the related Hedge Counterparty to perform its obligations under the Hedge Agreement. See “Security for the Notes—Hedge Agreements.”

The Portfolio Manager may direct the Issuer to reduce the notional amount of, or otherwise adjust the terms of, any Hedge Agreement outstanding at any time, subject, in the case of any reduction or adjustment made on or after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, to obtaining a Rating Confirmation.

*Changes in Tax Law Could Result in the Imposition of Withholding Taxes with Respect to Payments on the Collateral Obligations, and the Obligor on the Collateral Obligations will not Gross-Up Payments to the Issuers*

The Issuer expects that payments received on the Hedge Agreements, and generally on the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, will not be subject to withholding taxes imposed by the United States or reduced by withholding taxes imposed by any other country from which such payments are sourced unless the obligor is required to make “gross-up” payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding taxes. In the case of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments issued by U.S. obligors after July 18, 1984 that are in registered form, payments thereon generally are exempt under current United States tax law from the imposition of United States withholding tax. See “Material Income Tax Considerations—United States Federal Taxation of the Issuer.” However, there can be no assurance that, as a result of any change in any applicable law, treaty, rule or regulation or interpretation thereof, the payments on the Hedge Agreements, Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments would not in the future become subject to withholding taxes imposed by the United States of America or another jurisdiction. In that event, if the obligors of such Hedge Agreements, Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments were not then required to make “gross-up” payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding taxes, the amounts available to make payments on, or distributions to, the holders of the Notes would accordingly be reduced. There can be no assurance that remaining payments on the

Collateral would be sufficient to make timely payments of interest on, payment of principal and payment of other distributions at the Stated Maturity of the Securities.

Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, the Notes shall be redeemable at the applicable Redemption Price, in whole, but not in part, by the Issuer at the written direction of the Holders of at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares, as described under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

*The Issuer Has the Right to Engage in Securities Lending, which Involves Counterparty Risks and Other Risks*

The Collateral Obligations may be loaned for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) that have, or are guaranteed by entities that have, long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or a guarantor with those ratings at the time of the loan, of at least “A1” (and not “A1” but on credit watch with negative implications) and “P-1” (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody’s and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least “A” from S&P. See “Security for the Notes—Securities Lending.” The loans must be secured by cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America, in an amount at least equal to 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value of the loaned Collateral Obligations, determined on a daily basis. However, if the borrower of a loaned Collateral Obligation defaults on its obligation to return the loaned Collateral Obligation because of insolvency or otherwise, the Issuer could experience delays and costs in gaining access to the collateral posted by the borrower (and in extreme circumstances could be restricted from selling the collateral). If the borrower defaults, the Issuer could suffer a loss to the extent that the realized value of the cash or securities securing the obligation of the borrower to return a loaned Collateral Obligation (less expenses) is less than the amount required to purchase the Collateral Obligation in the open market. This shortfall could be due to, among other factors, discrepancies between the mark-to-market and actual transaction prices for the loaned Collateral Obligations arising from limited liquidity or availability of the loaned Collateral Obligations and, in extreme circumstances, the loaned Collateral Obligations being unavailable at any price.

The Rating Agencies may downgrade any of the Notes or Composite Securities if a borrower of a Collateral Obligation or, if applicable, the entity guaranteeing the performance of the borrower has been downgraded by one of the Rating Agencies such that the Issuer is not in compliance with the Securities Lending Counterparty rating requirements. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Placement Agents or Affiliates of the Portfolio Manager, which may create certain conflicts of interest. See “—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Portfolio Manager” and “—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Placement Agents” below.

*A Substantial Amount of Collateral Obligations Was Acquired Before the Closing Date, and the Terms of the Acquisition May Adversely Affect the Issuer*

In anticipation of the issuance of the Securities, the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, and MMP-5 Funding, LLC (in that capacity, the “**Warehouse Provider**”) entered into an agreement (the “**Warehouse Agreement**”) pursuant to which:

- (i) the Portfolio Manager has agreed to manage, on behalf of the Issuer, the selection of certain Loans and other obligations to be acquired by the Issuer before the Closing Date (the “**Warehoused Loans**”);
- (ii) the Warehouse Provider has agreed to acquire a 100% participation in each Warehoused Loan concurrently with its acquisition by the Issuer, for a purchase price equal to the purchase price paid by the Issuer for the related Warehoused Loan; and
- (iii) the Portfolio Manager and the Warehouse Provider have agreed to share the economic return on, and assume certain risks (including risks associated with defaults affecting the

Warehoused Loans) in respect of, the Warehoused Loans for the period prior to the Closing Date in the specified percentages set forth in the Warehouse Agreement. Pursuant to a total return swap transaction entered into on July 15, 2004, IXIS Financial Products, an Affiliate of the Placement Agents, will benefit indirectly from any such return to the Warehouse Provider (after certain fees are paid to the Warehouse Provider) and will bear indirectly any such risk of loss.

On the Closing Date, the Issuer and the Warehouse Provider will terminate the participations in the Warehoused Loans (with any Warehoused Loans that would not satisfy the eligibility criteria of the Warehouse Agreement applicable on or before the Closing Date being sold by the Issuer). Generally, the price to be paid by the Issuer to the Warehouse Provider in connection with the termination of the participation in a Warehoused Loan will reflect the price originally paid by the Issuer to acquire the Warehoused Loan, *plus* the amount of extensions of credit in respect of certain Warehoused Loans, *minus* the aggregate amount of payments of principal received by the Warehouse Provider in respect of such Warehoused Loans (excluding the amount of any such payment that was required to be repaid or returned by the Warehouse Provider by claw-back or otherwise), *plus* all accrued and unpaid interest and fees on the Warehoused Loan. Therefore, the purchase price paid by the Issuer on the Closing Date for each Collateral Obligation may be higher or lower than the prevailing market of such Collateral Obligation.

### **Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest**

#### *In General, the Transaction Will Involve Various Potential and Actual Conflicts of Interest*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise from the overall advisory, investment, and other activities of the Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates and from the conduct by the Placement Agents and their respective Affiliates of other transactions with the Issuer, including acting as counterparty with respect to Hedge Agreements, Securities Lending Agreements, and Synthetic Securities. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

#### *The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Portfolio Manager*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise for the Portfolio Manager with respect to its obligations to the Issuer from the overall investment activities of the Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates, for the accounts of its other clients. For example, the Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates and their respective clients may invest in loans, securities, and other obligations that would be appropriate for inclusion in the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations, as well as in loans, securities, and other obligations that are senior to, or have interests different from or adverse to, the loans and or other investments that are pledged to secure the Notes. Furthermore, Affiliates of the Portfolio Manager may serve as general partners or managers of special-purpose entities organized to issue other collateralized loan obligations ("CLOs") secured primarily by corporate loans and collateralized debt obligations ("CDOs") secured by corporate debt obligations. The Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates may also have ongoing relationships with, render services to, or engage in transactions with, companies whose loan obligations or securities are pledged to secure the Notes and may now or in the future own (as portfolio investments or otherwise) loan obligations or equity or debt securities issued by issuers of or obligors on, Collateral Obligations or other Collateral.

The Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates may possess information relating to issuers of Collateral Obligations or other Collateral that (i) may constrain the Issuer's investments as a consequence of the Portfolio Manager's inability to use such information for advisory purposes or otherwise to take actions that would be in the best of interests of the Issuer or (ii) is not known to the employees of the Portfolio Manager responsible for monitoring the Collateral and performing the other obligations of the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement. The Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates and their respective clients may at certain times be simultaneously seeking to purchase or dispose of investments for the respective accounts of the Issuer, any similar entity for which it serves as manager or advisor, and for its clients or Affiliates. The Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates may own equity or other securities of

issuers of or obligors on Collateral Obligations or other Collateral and may have provided and may provide in the future, advisory and other services to issuers of Collateral.

Neither the Portfolio Manager nor any of its Affiliates has any affirmative obligation to offer any investments to the Issuer or to inform the Issuer of any investments before offering any investments to other funds or accounts that the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates manage or advise. Furthermore, the Portfolio Manager may be bound by affirmative obligations in the future, whereby the Portfolio Manager is obligated to offer certain investments to funds or accounts that it manages or advises before or without the Portfolio Manager offering those investments to the Issuer.

The Portfolio Manager will endeavor to resolve conflicts with respect to investment opportunities in a manner that it deems equitable to the extent possible under the prevailing facts and circumstances. Further, the Portfolio Manager will be prohibited under the Management Agreement from directing the acquisition of Collateral Obligations from, or the disposition of Collateral Obligations to, its Affiliates or any other account managed by the Portfolio Manager except in a transaction conducted on an arm's-length basis for fair market value and if the Portfolio Manager has complied with its policies and procedures with respect to the acquisition or disposition and the acquisition or disposition otherwise complies with the requirements of the United States Investment Advisers Act of 1940.

The Portfolio Manager currently serves as the portfolio manager for a number of special purpose vehicles that have issued securities secured by or referencing collateral consisting of assets similar to the Collateral Obligations, which may create conflicts in allocating its time and services among the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager's other accounts. In addition, the Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates may act as the Securities Lending Counterparty under any Securities Lending Agreement entered into by the Issuer.

Upon the removal or resignation of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer, at the written direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, may appoint a replacement Portfolio Manager if (x) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or (y) a Majority of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single Class (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates)) do not object to the replacement Portfolio Manager. See "The Management Agreement." Securities held by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates will have no voting rights with respect to any vote in connection with removal of the Portfolio Manager for "cause" and will be deemed not to be outstanding in connection with any vote to remove the Portfolio Manager for "cause." Securities held by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates will have voting rights with respect to all other matters as to which the Holders of the Securities are entitled to vote, including any vote to direct an Optional Redemption and any vote to appoint a replacement Portfolio Manager in accordance with the Management Agreement. See "The Management Agreement" and "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption."

The Issuer expects to acquire substantially all of the Collateral Obligations to be acquired by the Closing Date during an accumulation period before the Closing Date (the "**Accumulation Period**") and will finance those purchases with financing provided by the Warehouse Provider, which is an affiliate of the Placement Agents. The Issuer will be required to repurchase the participations providing that financing by the Closing Date with the proceeds of the issuance of the Securities. The Collateral Obligations purchased before the Closing Date will be chosen by the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer, subject to certain rights of the Warehouse Provider. Any interest accrued on Collateral Obligations purchased by the Issuer before the Closing Date will be paid to the Warehouse Provider and the Portfolio Manager in the specified percentages provided in the Warehouse Agreement. As a result, investors in the Securities will be assuming the risk of market value and credit quality changes in the Collateral Obligations from the date the Collateral Obligations are acquired during the Accumulation Period but will not receive the benefit of interest earned on the Collateral Obligations during that period.

On the Closing Date, the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates are expected to purchase Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$27,500,000. The Portfolio Manager will be entitled to receive the Senior Management Fee, the Subordinated Management Fee and the Incentive Management Fee, as further described herein. The structure of such fees may cause the Portfolio

Manager to direct the Issuer to make more speculative investments in Collateral Obligations than it would otherwise make in the absence of such performance based compensation. The Portfolio Manager expects to borrow funds from an IXIS Company (as defined below) for a portion of the purchase price of the Preference Shares acquired by it or its Affiliate and will pledge all such Preference Shares (including rights to the distributions thereon) as well as the Portfolio Manager's right to the Senior Management Fee and Subordinated Management Fee as collateral for such loan. The reliance by the Portfolio Manager on distributions on the Preference Shares for repayment of such loan from such IXIS Company could create a conflict of interest with respect to the performance of the Portfolio Manager's obligations. See "The Management Agreement."

*The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Placement Agents*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise as a result of the investment banking, asset management, financing and financial advisory services and products provided by IXIS Capital Markets North America Inc. ("**IXIS**") and its Affiliates (including the Placement Agents and their Affiliates, (each, an "**IXIS Company**" and together the "**IXIS Companies**"), to the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the issuers of the Collateral Obligations and others, as well as in connection with the investment, trading and brokerage activities of the IXIS Companies. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

The Placement Agents will serve as Placement Agents for the Notes, the Composite Securities and a portion of the Preference Shares and will be paid fees and commissions for such service by the Issuer from the proceeds of the issuance of the Securities. One or more of the IXIS Companies may from time to time hold Securities for investment, trading or other purposes. The Issuer's purchase of Collateral Obligations that are loans prior to the Closing Date was financed through the sale of participation interests therein to the Warehouse Provider pursuant to the Warehousing Agreement. A portion of the proceeds of the offering of the Securities will be paid to the Warehouse Provider to repurchase such participation interests. Pursuant to a total return swap transaction entered into on July 15, 2004, a portion of the gains and all of the losses of the Warehouse Provider will be passed on to IXIS Financial Products. One or more conduits administered by an IXIS Company or an IXIS Company may purchase a portion of the Class A Notes or other Securities of the Issuer. Each such IXIS Company, in its capacity as administrator of such conduits or purchaser, would retain all voting rights with respect to such Class A Notes or other Securities. There is no requirement that any of the conduits administered by IXIS Companies or such IXIS Companies continue to hold any Class A Notes or other Securities after the Closing Date. If any such conduits or such IXIS Companies acquire such Class A Notes or any other Securities of the Issuer, it will have no obligation to exercise any voting rights associated with such Securities in any manner and, at any applicable time, may exercise such voting rights in a manner adverse to some or all of the other Holders of Securities. The Issuer may have purchased and sold prior to the Closing Date, and may purchase or sell after the Closing Date, Collateral Obligations from, to or through, and purchase Synthetic Securities and enter into Hedge Agreements with, one or more of the IXIS Companies. Certain Eligible Investments may be issued, managed or underwritten by one or more of the IXIS Companies. One or more of the IXIS Companies may provide investment banking, commercial banking, asset management, financing and financial advisory services and products to the Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates, and funds managed by the Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates, and purchase, hold and sell, both for their respective accounts or for the account of their respective clients, on a principal or agency basis, loans, securities, and other obligations and financial instruments of the Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates, and funds managed by the Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates. As a result of such transactions or arrangements, one or more of the IXIS Companies may have interests adverse to those of the Issuer and Holders of the Notes, Composite Securities and Preference Shares.

One or more of the IXIS Companies may:

- have placed or underwritten, or acted as a financial arranger, structuring agent or advisor in connection with the original issuance of, or may act as a broker or dealer with respect to, certain of the Collateral Obligations;

- be a counterparty to issuers of certain of the Collateral Obligations under swap or other derivative agreements;
- lend to certain of the issuers of Collateral Obligations or their respective Affiliates or receive guarantees from the issuers of those Collateral Obligations or their respective Affiliates;
- provide other investment banking, asset management, commercial banking, financing or financial advisory services to the issuers of Collateral Obligations or their respective Affiliates; or
- have an equity interest, which may be a substantial equity interest, in certain issuers of the Collateral Obligations or their respective Affiliates.

As a counterparty under swaps and other derivative agreements, the IXIS Companies might take actions adverse to the interests of the Issuer, including, but not limited to, demanding collateralization of its exposure under such agreements (if provided for thereunder) or terminating such swaps or agreements in accordance with the terms thereof. In making and administering loans and other obligations, the IXIS Companies might take actions including, but not limited to, restructuring a loan, foreclosing on or exercising other remedies with respect to a loan, requiring additional collateral or other credit enhancement, charging significant fees and interest, placing the obligor in bankruptcy or demanding payment on a loan guarantee or under other credit enhancement. The Issuer's purchase, holding and sale of Collateral Obligations may enhance the profitability or value of investments made by the IXIS Companies in the issuers thereof. As a result of all such transactions or arrangements between the IXIS Companies and issuers of Collateral Obligations or their respective Affiliates, the IXIS Companies may have interests that are contrary to the interests of the Issuer and the Holders of the Notes and Preference Shares.

As part of their regular business, the IXIS Companies may also provide investment banking, commercial banking, asset management, financing and financial advisory services and products to, and purchase, hold and sell, both for their respective accounts or for the account of their respective clients, on a principal or agency basis, loans, securities, and other obligations and financial instruments and engage in private equity investment activities. The IXIS Companies will not be restricted in their performance of any such services or in the types of debt or equity investments, which they may make. In conducting the foregoing activities, the IXIS Companies will be acting for their own account or the account of their customers and will have no obligation to act in the interest of the Issuer.

The IXIS Companies may, by virtue of the relationships described above or otherwise, at the date hereof or at any time hereafter, be in possession of information regarding certain of the issuers of Collateral Obligations and their respective Affiliates, that is or may be material in the context of the Securities and that is or may not be known to the general public. None of the IXIS Companies has any obligation, and the offering of the Securities will not create any obligation on their part, to disclose to any purchaser of the Securities any such relationship or information, whether or not confidential.



## DESCRIPTION OF THE SECURITIES

The Notes and the Composite Securities will be issued pursuant to the Indenture. The terms of the Preference Shares are contained in the Issuer Charter and in certain resolutions adopted by the Issuer's Board of Directors on or before the Closing Date authorizing and approving the issuance of the Securities, as reflected in the minutes thereof (the "**Resolutions**" and, together with the Issuer Charter and the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the "**Preference Share Documents**"). The following summary describes certain provisions of the Notes, the Composite Securities, the Preference Shares, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. Copies of the Indenture may be obtained by prospective purchasers upon request in writing to the Trustee at the Corporate Trust Office, 600 Travis Street, 50<sup>th</sup> Floor, Houston, Texas 77002, Attention: Worldwide Securities Services—Jasper CLO Ltd., and will be available at the office of AIB International Financial Services Ltd. (in such capacity, the "**Irish Paying Agent**") in the City of Dublin. Copies of the Preference Share Documents may be obtained upon request in writing to the Administrator at P.O. Box 1234, Queensgate House, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, Attention: the Directors —Jasper CLO Ltd.

### Status and Security

The Notes and Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components) are limited recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuers. Each Note (including the Note Components) within a Class will rank *pari passu* with all other Notes of that Class. Under the Indenture, the Issuer will grant to the Trustee a first-priority security interest in the Collateral to secure the Issuer's obligations under the Indenture, the Notes, the Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components), Hedge Agreements and the Management Agreement (collectively, the "**Secured Obligations**"). The Notes and the Composite Securities are payable solely from amounts received in respect of the Collateral pledged by the Issuer to secure the Notes. If the amounts received in respect of the Collateral (net of certain expenses) are insufficient to make payments on the Secured Obligations, in accordance with the Priority of Payments, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and, following liquidation of all the Collateral, the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, to pay the deficiency will be extinguished.

The Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components) are entitled only to proceeds of the Collateral to the extent that any Sale Proceeds are remaining on any Payment Date after payment of all interest and principal payable on each Class of Notes on that Payment Date and the satisfaction of certain other amounts payable in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

In furtherance of the priorities of payments among the Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares, the Indenture contains express subordination provisions pursuant to which the Holders of each Class of Notes that is a Junior Class as described below agree for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class that the Junior Class shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes of each Priority Class to the extent and in the manner provided in the Indenture.

If any Event of Default has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs under and in accordance with the Indenture, each Priority Class of Notes shall be paid in full in cash or, to the extent a Majority of the Class consents, other than in cash, before any further payment or distribution is made on account of any Junior Class of Notes with respect to the Priority Class. The Holders of each Junior Class of Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for failure to pay to them amounts due to the Junior Class, of the Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or under the Indenture until the payment in full of the Priority Classes or all the Classes, as the case may be and not before one year and a day, or if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, has elapsed since the payment.

For purposes of this provision, with respect to each Class of Notes, the Classes of Notes that are Priority Classes and Junior Classes are as follows:

Class	Junior Classes	Priority Classes
Class A	B, C, D, Preference Shares	None
B	C, D, Preference Shares	Class A
C	D, Preference Shares	Class A, B
D	Preference Shares	Class A, B, C
Preference Shares	None*	Class A, B, C, D

\*The Preference Shares will be entitled to certain residual cash flow after payment of senior obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

If, notwithstanding the provisions of the Indenture, any Holder of Notes of any Junior Class has received any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes contrary to the provisions of the Indenture, then, until each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class of Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or, to the extent a Majority of the Priority Class or the Class, as the case may be, consents, other than in cash in accordance with the Indenture, the payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, which shall pay and deliver the same to the Holders of the applicable Priority Classes of Notes or the Holders of all Classes of Notes, as the case may be. If any such payment or distribution is made other than in cash, it shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and subject in all respects to the Indenture.

Each Holder of Notes of any Junior Class agrees with all Holders of the applicable Priority Classes that the Holder of Junior Class Notes shall not demand, accept, or receive any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes in violation of the Indenture. After a Priority Class has been paid in full, the Holders of Notes of the related Junior Class or Classes shall be fully subrogated to the rights of the Holders of the Priority Class. Nothing in these provisions shall affect the obligation of the Issuer to pay Holders of any Junior Class of Notes.

Distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares are subordinate to distributions on the Notes as described in the Priority of Payments.

The Management Fees shall have priority only to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

For purposes of subordination, the Composite Securities will not be treated as a separate Class, but the Class C Component, the Class D-2 Component and the Preference Share Components of the Composite Securities will be treated as Class C Notes, Class D-2 Notes and Preference Shares, respectively.

### **Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Preference Shares from Interest Proceeds**

The Notes of each Class will accrue interest during each Interest Period on their Aggregate Outstanding Amount (determined as of the first day of the Interest Period and after giving effect to any redemption or other payment of principal occurring on that day) at the applicable per annum interest rates for each such Class (the “**Note Interest Rate**”) equal to (i) in the case of the Notes (other than the Fixed Rate Notes), LIBOR for Eurodollar deposits for the applicable Interest Period *plus* the spread, as specified above under “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities” and (ii) in the case of the Fixed Rate Notes, as specified above under “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.” Interest accrued on the Notes shall be calculated (i) in the case of the Notes (other than the Fixed Rate Notes) on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in the applicable Interest Period *divided by* 360 (ii) in the

case of the Fixed Rate Notes on the basis of a 360 day year consisting of twelve 30 day months. Payment of interest on each Class of Notes shall be subordinated to the payments of interest on the related Priority Classes and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of Deferred Interest in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered “payable” for the purposes of the Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for the Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest), until paid.

Interest shall cease to accrue on each Note, or in the case of a partial repayment, on the part repaid, from the date of repayment or its Stated Maturity unless payment of principal is improperly withheld or unless there is some other default with respect to the payments of principal.

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Interest Proceeds as described under clauses (19) and (21) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

For purposes of calculating interest on each Class of Notes, the Issuer will initially appoint the Trustee as calculation agent (the Trustee in that capacity, and each successor calculation agent, the “**Calculation Agent**”).

As soon as possible after 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period, but in no event later than 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the next Business Day, the Calculation Agent will calculate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes for the related Interest Period and the amount of interest for the Interest Period payable in respect of each \$100,000 in principal amount of each Class of Floating Rate Notes (in each case rounded to the nearest cent, with half a cent being rounded upward) on the related Payment Date and will communicate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes and the date of the next Payment Date to the Trustee, the Placement Agents, each paying agent, Euroclear, Clearstream, the Depository, and (as long as the Securities (other than the Preference Shares) are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange) the Irish Stock Exchange.

The Calculation Agent may be removed by the Co-Issuers at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Co-Issuers or if the Calculation Agent fails to determine the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes or the amount of interest payable in respect of each Class of Floating Rate Notes for any Interest Period, the Issuer will promptly appoint as a replacement Calculation Agent a leading bank which is engaged in transactions in U.S. Dollar deposits in the international U.S. Dollar market and which does not control and is not controlled by or under common control with the Co-Issuers or any of their respective affiliates. The Calculation Agent may not resign its duties without a successor having been duly appointed. The determination of the Note Interest Rate with respect to each Class of Floating Rate Notes for each Interest Period by the Calculation Agent shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding upon all parties.

“**LIBOR**,” determined by the Calculation Agent for any Interest Period, means the offered rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent, for three month Dollar deposits that appears on Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News (or a page that replaces Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), as of 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period.

If, on the second Business Day before the first day of any relevant Interest Period, that rate does not appear on Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Market Commodities News (or a page that replaces Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), the Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks to prime banks in the London interbank market for three month Dollar deposits in Europe, by reference to requests by the Calculation Agent to four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Portfolio Manager) (the “**Reference Banks**”) for quotations as of approximately 11:00 A.M. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the Interest Period. If at least two of the Reference Banks provide quotations as requested, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean. If fewer than two Reference Banks provide quotations, LIBOR shall be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that leading banks in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Portfolio Manager) are quoting to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period for three month Dollar deposits.

If the Calculation Agent is unable to determine a rate in accordance with any of the above procedures, LIBOR for the Interest Period shall be calculated on the last day of the Interest Period and shall be the arithmetic mean of the rate of interest for each day during the Interest Period determined by the Calculation Agent as being the rate of interest most recently announced by the Bank at its New York office as its base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans (or if the Bank ceases to exist or is not quoting a base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans, another major money center commercial bank in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Portfolio Manager)).

For the first Interest Period, LIBOR shall be determined based on the actual number of days in the Interest Period using straight-line interpolation of two rates calculated in accordance with the above procedure, except that instead of using three month deposits, one rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next shorter than the Interest Period and the other rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next longer than the Interest Period. All calculations shall be calculated to at least four decimal places and rounded to four decimal places.

### **Principal Payments on the Notes and Distributions on the Preference Shares from Principal Proceeds**

The principal of each Note of each Class matures at par and is payable on the Payment Date that is the Stated Maturity for the Class of Notes, unless the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable at an earlier date by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise. The Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, unless redeemed prior thereto. The average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years from issuance until Stated Maturity for such Notes. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes Interests May Vary” and “Maturity and Prepayment Considerations.” Notwithstanding the foregoing, and except as set forth below, the payment of principal of each Class of Notes: (i) may only occur after principal on each Class of Notes that is a Priority Class with respect to the Class has been paid in full and (ii) is subordinated to the payment on each Payment Date of the principal and interest payable on the Priority Classes, and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments. However, (i) Interest Proceeds may be used to pay principal of the Class D Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class D Coverage Tests and (ii) Principal Proceeds may be used to pay Deferred Interest and other amounts before the payment of principal of the Notes. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

In general, principal payments will not be made on the Notes before the end of the Reinvestment Period, except in the following circumstances: (i) in connection with an Optional Redemption, (ii) at the option of the Portfolio Manager, to effect a Special Redemption of the Notes, (iii) pursuant to a redemption made in connection with a Tax Event or (iv) following a mandatory redemption of the Notes caused by a failure to meet any of the Coverage Tests or a Rating Confirmation Failure. After the Reinvestment Period, Principal Proceeds will be applied on each Payment Date in accordance with the

Priority of Payments to pay principal of each Class of Notes (except for Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations which may be reinvested as described herein). No principal of any Class of Notes will be payable on any Payment Date other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and to the extent funds are available therefor on that Payment Date for that purpose, except that the principal of each Class of Notes will be payable in full at the Stated Maturity, unless repaid before that.

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Principal Proceeds as described under clauses (8)(A), (11) and (12) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

### **Legal Provisions Applicable to the Payments of Dividends from Interest Proceeds and Dividends or Other Distributions from Principal Proceeds**

Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment of dividends on, or the payment of the Redemption Price in respect of, the Preference Shares, will be distributable to the Holders of the Preference Shares only if the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distribution and Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment of dividends in respect of the Preference Shares will be distributable to the Holders of the Preference Shares only if the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium and if the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distribution. Payments will be paid by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for payment of dividends and other distributions to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, on a *pro rata* basis according to the number of Preference Shares held by each Holder on the Record Date for such Payment Date.

### **Distributions on the Composite Securities**

On each Payment Date on which payments, whether from Principal Proceeds, Interest Proceeds or upon redemption or other payments on the Notes or as distributions to the holders of the Preference Shares, are made to the holders of the Class C Notes, the Class D-2 Notes and the Preference Shares, a portion of such payment will be allocated to the Composite Securities in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount or aggregate Face Amount, as the case may be, of the applicable Class C Component, the Class D-2 Component or the Preference Share Component bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount or aggregate Face Amount, as applicable, of the Class C Notes, the Class D-2 Notes or the Preference Shares as a whole (including such Components). The payment of distributions, redemption amounts and any other payments on the Class C Component, the Class D-2 Component or Preference Share Component of the Composite Securities will be distributed in the same manner as the Class C Notes, the Class D-2 Notes or the Preference Shares, respectively, to which each such Component relates. No other payments will be made on the Composite Securities. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

### **Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**

#### *General*

The Issuer, if directed by the Portfolio Manager, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Reinvestment Period to the applicable Extended Reinvestment Period End Date up to four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Reinvestment Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and Composite

Securities shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Securities or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents.

In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares wishing to sell such Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to “—Extension Procedure” below (such Securities as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, “**Extension Sale Securities**”). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, each Holder providing an Extension Sale Notice shall be deemed to agree that no Extension Sale Securities of any Holder shall be purchased unless all Extension Sale Securities of all Holders are purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date and the other Extension Conditions are satisfied as of such date.

The Maturity Extension shall be effective only if the following conditions (the “**Extension Conditions**”) are satisfied:

- (i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the applicable Extension Effective Date;
- (ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions herein, in the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents immediately after such purchase and the legends on such Securities and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency);
- (iii) (a) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to S&P (so long as any Notes are then rated by S&P) and (b) either (A) all Coverage Tests and the Selected Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied as of the related Extension Determination Date, the rating of each Class of Notes or Composite Securities by Moody’s has not been downgraded, withdrawn or qualified from that in effect on the Closing Date (unless it subsequently has been reinstated to the rating assigned on the Closing Date) and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$678,000,000 Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to Moody’s (so long as any Notes or Composite Securities are then rated by Moody’s); and
- (iv) The Issuer has not effected more than three prior Extensions.

In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Holder of Notes (including each Holder of Composite Securities with respect to the Note Components) other than Extension Sale Securities shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment. Holders of Preference Shares (including Holders of Composite Securities with respect to the Preference Share Components) shall not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

The Extension Bonus Payment shall be payable to any applicable qualifying beneficial owners who have provided the Trustee with an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification on the first Payment Date from and including the Extension Effective Date on which fund, are available for such purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments, but in any event, no later than the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption of the Notes. Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments on a Payment Date shall not be considered “due and payable” hereunder. The failure to pay any such Extension Bonus Payment on such date shall

not be an Event of Default, unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Securities. Unpaid Extension Bonus Payments shall not accrue interest. Such amounts shall be paid, in the case of the Notes, to the accounts designated in the applicable Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification or, to the extent otherwise required by the rules of any applicable securities exchange or clearing agency, in a manner determined by the Issuer.

#### *Extension Procedure*

No later than three Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Issuer of its election to extend the Reinvestment Period (the “**Extension Notice**”), the Trustee shall mail the Extension Notice to all Holders of Notes and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes or Composite Securities are Outstanding), in the form set out in the Indenture, and shall request the Rating Condition for the Maturity Extension from S&P, if applicable.

Any Holder of Securities may give irrevocable notice (an “**Extension Sale Notice**”) within 30 days after the Trustee has mailed the Extension Notice (the “**Extension Sale Notice Period**”) of its intention to sell its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of Securities that has not given such an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be entitled to sell its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension.

If clause (iii)(b)(A) of the Extension Conditions is not satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date as determined by the Issuer (or its agent), the Trustee shall request the Rating Condition to be satisfied with respect to Moody’s.

On the applicable Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or its agent) shall confirm (i) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Securities in compliance with all transfer restrictions in the Indenture and the legends on such Securities and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (ii) whether the requirements of clause (iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date and (iii) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

On each Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension shall automatically become effective under the terms of the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents; *provided* that all Extension Conditions set forth above are satisfied. No later than two Business Days after each Extension Effective Date, the Trustee based on a determination made by the Issuer, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail a notice to all Holders of Notes and Composite Securities, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agents, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) and the Irish Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class of Notes or Composite Securities is listed thereon) confirming whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension became effective, the Issuer shall make any required notifications thereof to the Depositary for any Securities subject to the Maturity Extension.

None of the Placement Agents, the Portfolio Manager or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

#### **Optional Redemption**

*Notes.* The Holders of at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components) may give written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager directing an optional redemption of the

Notes (with respect to the Notes, an “**Optional Redemption**”) upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period. Such notice must be given not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made. Upon receipt of the written notice directing an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Issuers are required by the Indenture to redeem the Notes (including the Note Components) (in whole but not in part) from amounts available therefor in accordance with “—Redemption Procedures” described below. Any Optional Redemption of the Notes shall be made at the applicable Redemption Price. Upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Reinvestment Period will terminate in accordance with the definition of that term. The Issuer shall, at least 30 days before the Redemption Date (unless the Trustee shall agree to a shorter notice period), notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency of the Redemption Date, the applicable Record Date, the principal amount of Notes to be redeemed on the Redemption Date and the applicable Redemption Prices.

*Preference Shares.* On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, all administrative and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee), and all amounts owing under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged:

(i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components), the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares pro rata in accordance with their respective holdings; or

(ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components), the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such direction,

(with respect to the Preference Shares and each of clauses (i) and (ii) above, an “Optional Redemption”).

Upon a distribution pursuant to clause (i) above, the Portfolio Manager will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Management Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer (and subject to clause (ii) above), direct the sale of all remaining Collateral Obligations. Upon a distribution pursuant to clause (ii) above, the Portfolio Manager will effect the sale of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components).

Upon receipt of the written notice directing an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares, the Issuer is required by the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement to redeem the Preference Shares in the applicable manner described above. Any Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares shall be made at the applicable Redemption Price.

In connection with a redemption of the Preference Shares, a portion of the payments paid in respect of the Preference Shares will be allocated to the Class 1 Composite Securities and the Class 2 Composite Securities in the proportion that the aggregate Face Amount of the Preference Share Components bears to the aggregate Face Amount of the Preference Shares as a whole (including the related Preference Share Component and any other applicable Preference Share Component). No other payments will be made on the Class 1 Composite Securities and the Class 2 Composite Securities in connection with a redemption of the Preference Shares.



*Redemption Procedures.* Notice of a redemption shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days and not earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date, to (i) each Holder of Notes (including Note Components) to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as applicable, to the Holders of the Composite Securities and to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and (ii) in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, to each Rating Agency. In addition, for so long as any Securities (other than the Preference Shares) are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of an Optional Redemption of Notes shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

Notice of redemption having been given as provided above, the Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at the Redemption Price therein specified and from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Redemption Price and accrued interest) the Notes (including the Note Components) shall cease to bear interest on the Redemption Date.

Upon final payment on a Note to be so redeemed, the Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the place specified in the notice of redemption to receive the applicable Redemption Price unless the Holder provides an undertaking to surrender the Note thereafter. If a Component is to be redeemed, the related Composite Security does not need to be surrendered at the office of any paying agent under the Indenture to receive the applicable Redemption Price.

The Notes may not be optionally redeemed unless either of the following conditions are satisfied:

(i) at least ten Business Days before the Redemption Date, the Portfolio Manager shall have furnished to the Trustee evidence (in form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee) that the Issuer has entered into a binding agreements (with a financial or other institution or entity whose short-term unsecured debt obligations (other than obligations whose rating is based on the credit of a person other than the institution) have a credit rating of at least "A-1" from S&P and of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's (or to any other institution or entity if the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's is satisfied with respect to the other entity) to sell to the financial or other institutions, not later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date in immediately available funds, all or part of the Collateral (directly or by participation or other arrangement) at a Purchase Price at least equal to an amount sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations (including the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties and to redeem the Notes (including the Note Components) on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices; or

(ii) before entering into any binding agreement to sell all or a portion of the Collateral and selling or terminating any Hedge Agreement, the Portfolio Manager shall have certified that, in its commercially reasonable judgment, the settlement dates of the sales will be scheduled to occur on or before the Business Day before the Redemption Date and that the expected proceeds from the sales are to be delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date, in immediately available funds, in an amount (calculated as applicable in the manner provided below) sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties and to redeem the Notes (including the Note Components) on the

Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices. For purposes of this paragraph, the amount shall be calculated with respect to the classes of Collateral listed in the table below by multiplying the expected proceeds of sale of the Collateral by the indicated percentage in the table below.

	Number of Business Days Between Certification to the Trustee and Sale			
	<u>Same Day</u>	<u>1 to 2</u>	<u>3 to 5</u>	<u>6 to 15</u>
1. Cash or other Eligible Investments	100%	100%	100%	100%
2. Loans (other than 5 below)	100%	93%	92%	88%
3. High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations (in each case, other than 4 below)	100%	89%	85%	75%
4. High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations, in each case with a Moody's Rating of "B3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "B3"	100%	75%	65%	55%
5. Synthetic Securities	100%	65%	55%	35%

Any certification delivered by the Portfolio Manager shall include (A) the prices of, and expected proceeds from, the sale of any Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments or Hedge Agreements and (B) all calculations required by the Indenture.

Any notice of redemption may be withdrawn by the Issuer up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager only if:

(i) in the case of an Optional Redemption of Notes, the Portfolio Manager does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications required under the Indenture, as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee;

(ii) in the case of an Optional Redemption in whole of either the Notes or the Preference Shares as described above in "—Optional Redemption—Notes" and clause (i) of the first paragraph under "—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares," the Issuer receives the written direction of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption delivered by the percentage of the Preference Shares requesting redemption under "—Optional Redemption—Notes" or clause (i) of the first paragraph under "—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares," as applicable; and

(iii) in the case of an Optional Redemption of Preference Shares as described in clause (ii) of the first paragraph under "Optional Redemption—Preference Shares," the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer hereby agrees for the benefit of the directing person to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (ii) or this clause (iii)).

Notice of any withdrawal shall be sent, not later than the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date (assuming that the Trustee has received timely written notice from the Issuer as provided above), by the Trustee, to each Holder of Notes (including the Note Components) scheduled to be redeemed at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery (or, to the extent the address contained in the Indenture Register is not sufficient for that purpose, by first-class mail), the Holders of Composite Securities and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares). If the Issuer so withdraws any notice of redemption or is otherwise unable to complete any redemption of the Notes, the Sale Proceeds received from the sale of

any Collateral Obligations sold in accordance with the Indenture may, during the Reinvestment Period (and, in respect of Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Reinvestment Period) at the Portfolio Manager's discretion, be reinvested in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria.

Notice of redemption shall be given by the Co-Issuers or, upon an Issuer Order, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Co-Issuers. Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Note (including any Note Component) selected for redemption, to each Holder of Composite Securities or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Securities.

### **Special Redemption of Notes If the Portfolio Manager Does Not Identify Investments as Contemplated by the Indenture**

Principal payments on the Notes (including the Note Components) shall be made in whole or in part, at par, in accordance with the Priority of Payments if, at any time during the Reinvestment Period, the Portfolio Manager elects (subject to the Management Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the investment or reinvestment of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be invested in additional Collateral Obligations.

On the Special Redemption Date, the Special Redemption Amount will be available to be applied in accordance with “—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds” to the extent of available Principal Proceeds. Notice of payment of the Special Redemption Amount shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than three Business Days before the applicable Special Redemption Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository. In addition, for so long as any Securities (other than the Preference Shares) are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of a Special Redemption of the Notes shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

In connection with a Special Redemption, the principal of the Notes will be paid from Principal Proceeds in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount (first to any Class A Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class B Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class C Notes to be redeemed and then to any Class D Notes to be redeemed, in each case until paid in full) in accordance with the Priority of Payments. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

### **Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

#### *General*

In the event of a Rating Confirmation Failure or a failure to meet any Coverage Test on any Determination Date, a mandatory redemption of one or more Classes of Notes in whole or in part will be required. Any mandatory redemption could result in an elimination, deferral or reduction in interest or principal payments to one or more Classes of Securities, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of the Class or Classes of Securities. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Interests for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests” and “—The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure.”

#### *Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests*

Except with respect to payments made pursuant to an Optional Redemption or a redemption made in connection with a Tax Event as described under “—Optional Redemption,” on any Payment Date with respect to which any Coverage Test (as described under “Security for the Notes—The Coverage Tests”) is

not met on any Determination Date, principal payments on the Notes will be made as described under “—Priority of Payments.”

*Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure*

Upon the event of a Rating Confirmation Failure, all Interest Proceeds remaining after payment of amounts referred to in clauses (1) and (3) through (11) of “—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” will be used to pay principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes sequentially in order of their priority on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date thereafter until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. If necessary, after the foregoing payments are made out of Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds in accordance with clause (6) “—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds” will be used to pay principal of each Class of the Notes sequentially in order of their priority on each Payment Date until the Initial Ratings are confirmed.

Upon receipt of notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes, at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody’s and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes, then at the direction and in accordance with the instructions of the Portfolio Manager the Trustee shall sell Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for the purpose in the Collection Account will be used to redeem the Notes (but only to the extent necessary for each of Moody’s and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes) and to pay all administrative and other fees, expenses and obligations payable under the Priority of Payments. Any sale under these provisions shall be conducted in such a manner that:

- (i) after giving effect to the sale each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied or, if any Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Overcollateralization Test is not reduced;
- (ii) if the sale occurs on or after the second Payment Date, after giving effect to the sale each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied or, if any Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Interest Coverage Test is not reduced; and
- (iii) after giving effect to the sale each Collateral Quality Test is satisfied or, if any Collateral Quality Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Collateral Quality Test is not reduced.

**Redemption of the Preference Shares in Connection with Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

The Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Component) will be redeemed in whole in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents on any Payment Date on which a mandatory redemption of the Notes described under “—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes” results in the payment in full of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes.

**Priority of Payments**

Collections received on the Collateral during the related Due Period will be segregated into Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds and applied on each Payment Date in the priority below under “—Interest Proceeds” and “—Principal Proceeds,” respectively (collectively, the “**Priority of Payments**”).

*Interest Proceeds*

On each Payment Date, Interest Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period (other than Interest Proceeds previously used during such Due Period to purchase accrued interest in respect of

Collateral Obligations or otherwise used as permitted under the Indenture) will be distributed in the following order of priority:

- (1) to the payment of any taxes and registration and filing fees owed by the Co-Issuers (without limit) and then to the payment of Administrative Expenses up to the Administrative Expense Cap as follows:

FIRST, in the following order of priority:

- (i) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Trustee; and then
- (ii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Collateral Administrator; and then
- (iii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Preference Shares Paying Agent; and

SECOND, in the following order of priority;

- (x) fees and expenses of the Administrator; and then;
- (y) fees and expenses of the Co-Issuers (including fees and expenses of counsel and surveillance, credit estimate, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies) and any other person (except the Portfolio Manager) if specifically provided for in the Indenture, and to the expenses (but not fees) of the Portfolio Manager if payable under the Management Agreement;
- (2) the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts paid pursuant to clause (1) above to deposit into the Expense Reimbursement Account;
- (3) to the payment to the Portfolio Manager of any accrued and unpaid Senior Management Fee then payable;
- (4) to the payment of all amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements (if any) other than any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;
- (5) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A Notes;
- (6) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class B Notes;
- (7) if the Class A/B Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the Note Payment Sequence in the amount necessary so that all of the Class A/B Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (7) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);
- (8) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class C Notes (excluding Class C Deferred Interest, but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class C Deferred Interest);

- (9) if the Class C Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class C Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (9) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);
- (10) to the payment of Class C Deferred Interest;
- (11) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class D Notes (excluding Class D Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class D Deferred Interest);
- (12) if the Class D Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class D Notes in the amount necessary so that all of the Class D Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full, or if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that a Rating Confirmation is obtained, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (12) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);
- (13) to the payment of Class D Deferred Interest;
- (14) to deposit in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds amounts representing Principal Proceeds previously used to pay amounts referred to in clauses (1), (3) through (5), (6), (8), (10), (11) and (13) above and not previously restored to the Collection Account or, if not restored to the Collection Account, used to purchase Collateral Obligations;
- (15) during the Reinvestment Period, if the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, for deposit to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds the lesser of (i) 50% of the remaining Interest Proceeds available after the payments pursuant to clause (14) above and (ii) the amount necessary to cause the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as of such Determination Date;
- (16) to the payment of any remaining Administrative Expenses not paid under clause (1) above in the respective priorities specified in clause (1);
- (17) to the payment to the Portfolio Manager of accrued and unpaid Subordinated Management Fee then due and payable and to each Holder of Securities entitled thereto, the applicable Extension Bonus Payment as described under “—Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date”;
- (18) to the payment of any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;
- (19) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 15.0%;

- (20) to the payment to the Portfolio Manager of the Incentive Management Fee, if applicable; and
- (21) any remaining Interest Proceeds, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

*Principal Proceeds*

On each Payment Date, Principal Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period other than:

- (A) Principal Proceeds previously reinvested in Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or otherwise used as permitted under the Indenture;
- (B) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account or the Securities Lending Account; and
- (C) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed Purchase Prices for Collateral Obligations with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment before the end of the Due Period for their purchase, but has not settled the purchase by the end of the Due Period;

shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

- (1) (x) first, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (1) and (3) through (6) under "—Interest Proceeds" above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (y) second, to the payment of amounts referred to in clause (7) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class A/B Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a pro forma basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (1), or until such amounts are paid in full;
- (2) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (8) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder, only to the extent that all of the Coverage Tests would be met on a pro forma basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (2);
- (3) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (9) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class C Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a pro forma basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (3), or until such amounts are paid in full;
- (4) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (10) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder, only to the extent that all of the Coverage Tests would be met on a pro forma basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (4);

- (5) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (11) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder, only to the extent that all of the Coverage Tests would be met on a pro forma basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (5);
- (6) to the payment of principal of the Notes in the Note Payment Sequence in an amount necessary to (A) cause the Class D Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a pro forma basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (6), or until paid in full or (B) if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, obtain a Rating Confirmation, or until paid in full;
- (7) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (13) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder, only to the extent that all of the Coverage Tests would be met on a pro forma basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (7);
- (8)
  - (A) if the Payment Date is a Redemption Date in the following order of priority: (i) to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of the Redemption Prices of all of the Notes to be redeemed, (ii) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (16) through (20) under “—Interest Proceeds” above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (iii) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares of the Redemption Price of any Preference Shares to be redeemed; and
  - (B) if the Payment Date is a Special Redemption Date, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of the Notes in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount, in each case until paid in full;
- (9) during the Reinvestment Period, all remaining Principal Proceeds to the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture (and, until so applied (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer’s purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), to be deposited in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds);
- (10) after the Reinvestment Period, (i) first, at the discretion of the Portfolio Manager (with respect to Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations) to the purchase or funding of substitute Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the applicable provisions of the Indenture when appropriate Collateral Obligations are available, and until such time, to the Collection Account for the purchase of Eligible Investments; and (ii) second, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of Notes until paid in full;
- (11) to the extent not previously paid in full under clause (8) above, after the Reinvestment Period, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (16) through (20) under “—Interest Proceeds” above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; and



- (12) after the Reinvestment Period to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

The calculation on any Coverage Test on any Determination Date shall be made by giving effect to all payments to be made pursuant to all subclauses of the Priority of Payments as applicable, payable on the Payment Date following such Determination Date. In addition no Principal Proceeds will be used to pay a subordinated Class on a Payment Date if, after giving effect to such payment, any Coverage Test of a more senior Class of Notes is failing on such Payment Date or would fail as a result of such application of the Principal Proceeds on such Payment Date.

If on any Payment Date the amount available in the Payment Account is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by the Valuation Report, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for in the order and according to the priority under “—Interest Proceeds” and “—Principal Proceeds,” to the extent funds are available therefor.

The Trustee shall remit funds to pay Administrative Expenses of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in accordance with the Priority of Payments under “—Interest Proceeds” and “—Principal Proceeds” above, to the extent available, to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer as directed and designated in an Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions) delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before each Payment Date.

#### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Notes**

The Notes sold in Offshore Transactions may only be sold to non-U.S. Persons in reliance on Regulation S. Except as provided below, the Notes sold in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Notes. The Regulation S Global Notes will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear and Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream. Investors may hold their interests in a Regulation S Global Note directly through Euroclear or Clearstream, if they are participants in such systems, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in such systems. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may not be held by a U.S. Person at any time. By acquisition of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note, the purchaser thereof will be deemed to represent that it is not a U.S. Person and that, if in the future it determines to transfer such beneficial interest, it will transfer such interest only to a person whom the seller reasonably believes to be a non-U.S. Person or to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note.

The Notes initially sold in non-Offshore Transactions or to U.S. Persons in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Section 4(2) of the Securities Act may only be sold to (i) Accredited Investors and (ii) (A) a Qualified Purchaser or (B) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and, except as provided below, will be represented by one or more permanent Rule 144A Global Notes. Investors may hold their interests in the Rule 144A Global Notes directly through the Depository if they are the Depository participants, or indirectly through organizations that are the Depository participants. The Rule 144A Global Notes will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for the Depository, and registered in the name of a nominee of the Depository.

Beneficial interests in Notes represented by Global Notes will be subject to certain restrictions on transfer set forth therein and in the Indenture and such Global Notes will bear the applicable legends regarding the restrictions set forth under “Transfer Restrictions.” A beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from (A) the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that the transfer is being made to a person whom the transferor reasonably believes is a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is also (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction and (B) the transferee (in the form provided in

the Indenture) to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser. Beneficial interests in the Rule 144A Global Notes may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from (A) the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that the transfer is being made to a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction in accordance with Regulation S and (B) the transferee (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is a non-U.S. Person.

Any beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note that is transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will, upon transfer, cease to be an interest in such Regulation S Global Note and become an interest in the Rule 144A Global Note and, accordingly, will thereafter be subject to all transfer restrictions and other procedures applicable to beneficial interests in a Rule 144A Global Note for as long as it remains such an interest. Any beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note that is transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note will, upon transfer, cease to be an interest in the Rule 144A Global Note and become an interest in the Regulation S Global Note and, accordingly, will thereafter be subject to all transfer restrictions and other procedures applicable to beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note for as long as it remains such an interest. No service charge will be made for any registration of transfer or exchange of Notes, but the Issuer or Co-Issuers, as the case may be, or the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

Except in the limited circumstances described in this paragraph, owners of beneficial interests in Notes held in the form of Global Notes will not be entitled to receive delivery of certificated Notes. The Notes are not issuable in bearer form. A Global Note deposited with the Depository pursuant to the Indenture shall be transferred to the beneficial owners thereof only if such transfer complies with the Indenture and either (i) the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for a Global Note or ceases to be a “Clearing Agency” registered under the Exchange Act and a successor depository is not appointed by the Issuer within 90 days of such notice or (ii) as a result of any amendment to or change in, the laws or regulations of the Cayman Islands or of any authority therein or thereof having power to tax or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations which become effective on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer or the Paying Agent becomes aware that it is or will be required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Notes which would not be required if the Notes were in definitive form. In addition, the owner of a beneficial interest in a Global Note will be entitled to receive a certificated Note in exchange for such interest if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing. In the event that certificated Notes are not so issued by the Issuer to such beneficial owners of interests in Global Notes, the Issuer expressly acknowledges that such beneficial owners shall be entitled to pursue any remedy that the holders of a Global Note would be entitled to pursue in accordance with the Indenture (but only to the extent of such beneficial owner’s interest in the Global Note) as if certificated Notes had been issued. Payments on such certificated Notes will be made by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a Dollar-denominated account maintained by the owner or, if a wire transfer cannot be effected, by a Dollar check delivered to the owner. See “Settlement and Clearing.”

The Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof for each Class of Notes.

### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Composite Securities**

Except as provided below, the Composite Securities sold in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Composite Securities. The Regulation S Global Composite Securities will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear and Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Composite Security may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream. Investors may hold their interests in a Regulation S Global Composite Security directly through Euroclear or Clearstream, if they are participants in such systems, or indirectly through

organizations that are participants in such systems. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Composite Security may not be held by a U.S. Person at any time. By acquisition of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Composite Security, the purchaser thereof will be deemed to represent that it is not a U.S. Person and that, if in the future it determines to transfer such beneficial interest, it will transfer such interest only to a person whom the seller reasonably believes to be a non-U.S. Person or to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Composite Security.

Composite Securities initially sold in non-Offshore Transactions or to U.S. Persons may only be sold to an Accredited Investor who is also (i) a Qualified Purchaser, (ii) a Knowledgeable Employee, or (iii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees, and will be issued in the form of one or more Certificated Composite Securities.

Beneficial interests in the Composite Securities will be subject to certain restrictions on transfer set forth therein and in the Indenture and the Composite Securities will bear the applicable legends regarding the restrictions set forth under “Transfer Restrictions.” A beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Composite Security may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Certificated Composite Security only upon (*inter alia*) receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from (A) the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that the transfer is being made to a person whom the transferor reasonably believes is a Qualified Institutional Buyer or an Accredited Investor who is also either (i) a Qualified Purchaser, (ii) a Knowledgeable Employee, or (iii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction and (B) the transferee (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer or an Accredited Investor who is also, in either case, (i) a Qualified Purchaser, (ii) a Knowledgeable Employee, or (iii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees. Beneficial interests in the Certificated Composite Securities may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Composite Security only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from (A) the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that the transfer is being made to a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction in accordance with Regulation S and (B) the transferee (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is a non-U.S. Person.

Except in the limited circumstances described in this paragraph, owners of beneficial interests in Composite Securities held in the form of Regulation S Global Composite Securities will not be entitled to receive delivery of certificated Composite Securities. A Regulation S Global Composite Security deposited with the Depository pursuant to the Indenture shall be transferred to the beneficial owners thereof only if such transfer complies with the Indenture and either (i) the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for a Regulation S Global Composite Securities or ceases to be a “Clearing Agency” registered under the Exchange Act and a successor depository is not appointed by the Issuer within 90 days of such notice or (ii) as a result of any amendment to or change in, the laws or regulations of the Cayman Islands or of any authority therein or thereof having power to tax or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations which become effective on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer or the Paying Agent becomes aware that it is or will be required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Composite Securities which would not be required if the Composite Securities were in definitive form. Payments on such certificated Composite Securities will be made by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a Dollar-denominated account maintained by the owner or, if a wire transfer cannot be effected, by a Dollar check delivered to the owner. See “Settlement and Clearing.”

The Composite Securities will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$100,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$10,000 in excess thereof.

### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Preference Shares**

In addition to Certificated Preference Shares and except as provided below, the Preference Shares sold in reliance on Regulation S may be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Preference

Shares. The Regulation S Global Preference Shares will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear and Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Preference Share may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream. Investors may hold their interests in a Regulation S Global Preference Share directly through Euroclear or Clearstream, if they are participants in such systems, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in such systems. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Preference Share may not be held by a U.S. Person at any time. By acquisition of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Preference Share, the purchaser thereof will be deemed to represent that it is not a U.S. Person and that, if in the future it determines to transfer such beneficial interest, it will transfer such interest only to a person whom the seller reasonably believes to be a non-U.S. Person or to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Preference Share.

Preference Shares sold in non-Offshore Transactions or to U.S. Persons in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Section 4(2) of the Securities Act may only be sold to (i) an Accredited Investor who is also (ii)(A) a Qualified Purchaser, (B) a Knowledgeable Employee or (C) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees, and will be issued in the form of one or more Certificated Preference Shares. In addition, Preference Shares sold to non-U.S. Persons in Offshore Transactions in reliance on Regulation S may also be issued in the form of one or more Certificated Preference Shares.

Beneficial interests in the Preference Shares will be subject to certain restrictions on transfer set forth therein and in the Preference Share Documents and the Preference Shares will bear the applicable legends regarding the restrictions set forth under “Transfer Restrictions.” Certificated Preference Shares may be transferred only upon (*inter alia*) receipt by the Preference Shares Paying Agent of a written certification (in the form provided in the Preference Share Documents) from the transferee to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is (A) a Qualified Institutional Buyer or an Accredited Investor who is also, in either case, (i) a Qualified Purchaser, (ii) a Knowledgeable Employee or (iii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees, and such transfer is being made in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction or (B) a non-U.S. Person and such transfer is being made in an Offshore Transaction in accordance with Regulation S. See “Transfer Restrictions.”

Except in the limited circumstances described in this paragraph, owners of beneficial interests in Preference Shares held in the form of Regulation S Global Preference Shares will not be entitled to receive delivery of Certificated Preference Shares. A Regulation S Global Preference Share deposited with the Depository pursuant to the Preference Share Documents shall be transferred to the beneficial owners thereof only if such transfer complies with the Preference Share Documents and either (i) the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for Regulation S Global Preference Shares or ceases to be a “Clearing Agency” registered under the Exchange Act and a successor depository is not appointed by the Issuer within 90 days of such notice or (ii) as a result of any amendment to or change in, the laws or regulations of the Cayman Islands or of any authority therein or thereof having power to tax or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations which become effective on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent becomes aware that it is or will be required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Preference Shares which would not be required if the Preference Shares were in definitive form. Payments on such certificated Preference Shares will be made by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a Dollar-denominated account maintained by the owner or, if a wire transfer cannot be effected, by a Dollar check delivered to the owner. See “Settlement and Clearing.”

Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited has been appointed and will serve as the registrar with respect to the Preference Shares (the “**Share Registrar**”) and will provide for (*inter alia*) the registration of the Preference Shares and the registration of transfers of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Preference Share Documents and the Administration Agreement in the register

maintained by it. The Preference Shares will be issued in minimum numbers of 100 Preference Shares per investor and integral multiples of one Preference Share in excess thereof.

### **Exchange of the Composite Securities for Underlying Components**

A Holder of a beneficial interest in a Composite Security may exchange all or a proportionate amount of each Component of such interest for proportional interests in the Class D-2 Notes and the Preference Shares, in the case of the Class 1 Composite Securities, or Class C Notes and the Preference Shares, in the case of the Class 2 Composite Securities, subject to the minimum denomination requirements and transfer restrictions applicable to such Composite Securities and each Component thereof and in the manner described in (a) the Indenture for exchange for beneficial interests in the Rule 144A Global Note or Regulation S Global Securities (in the case of the Note Components) and (b) the Preference Share Documents for exchange for Preference Shares (in the case of the Preference Shares Components). The Trustee, upon receipt of appropriate instructions with respect to a Composite Security, shall simultaneously convert (or shall direct the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Paying Agent, as applicable, to convert) its constituent Components into the Class C Notes, Class D-2 Notes or the Preference Shares represented by such Component, as applicable, and effect such exchange. Thereafter, the Holder of the beneficial interest in a Composite Security so exchanged will be the Holder of the Class D-2 Notes and the Preference Shares, received upon an exchange of the Class 1 Composite Securities, or Class C Notes and the Preference Shares, received upon an exchange of the Class 2 Composite Securities, as the case may be. No Holder of a Class C Note, Class D-2 Note or a Preferred Share (including a Holder that received such Class C Note, Class D-2 Note or Preferred Share upon an exchange of a Composite Security) will have the right to exchange such Notes or Preference Shares for a Composite Security. No service charge will be made for any such exchange, but the Trustee or the Preferred Share Paying Agent may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

### **The Indenture**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Indenture. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Indenture.

#### *Events of Default*

“**Event of Default**” is defined in the Indenture as:

- (a) a default for four Business Days in the payment of any interest on any Class of Notes that is currently part of the Controlling Class when it becomes payable (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, the Irish Listing and Paying Agent or the Indenture Registrar, after seven Business Days);
- (b) a default in the payment of principal (including Deferred Interest) of any Note when the same becomes payable, at its Stated Maturity or on the Redemption Date;
- (c) the failure on any Payment Date to disburse amounts available in the Payment Account in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the failure continues for 3 Business Days;
- (d) on any Measurement Date for so long as any Class A Notes are Outstanding, the Aggregate Principal Balance is less than 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Pledged Obligations of the Class A Notes;
- (e) either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral becomes an investment company under the Investment Company Act;

(f) breach of any other covenant or other agreement of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Indenture (other than any failure to satisfy any of the Collateral Quality Tests, any of the Concentration Limitations, any of the Coverage Tests, the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test, or other covenants or agreements for which a specific remedy has been provided under the Indenture) in any material respect, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer made in the Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant thereto, or in connection therewith, to be correct in any material respect when made, and the breach or failure continues for 30 days after either of the Co-Issuers has actual knowledge of it or after notice to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Portfolio Manager by the Trustee or to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class by registered or certified mail or overnight courier specifying the breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that the notice is a “Notice of Default” under the Indenture;

(g) the entry of a decree or order by a court having competent jurisdiction adjudging the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, or composition of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, and if the decree or order remains unstayed and in effect for 45 consecutive days;

(h) the institution by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of Proceedings to have the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as the case may be, adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings against the Issuer or Co-Issuer, or the filing by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Bankruptcy Law or any other similar applicable law, or the consent by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or the taking of any action by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in furtherance of any such action; or

(i) one or more final judgments is rendered against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer that exceed in the aggregate U.S.\$2,000,000 (or any lesser amount specified by any Rating Agency) and that remain unstayed, undischarged, and unsatisfied for 30 days after the judgments become nonappealable, unless adequate funds have been reserved or set aside for their payment, and unless (except as otherwise specified in writing by Moody’s) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereon.

If an Event of Default is continuing (other than (i) an Event of Default described in clauses (e), (g) or (h) under “—Events of Default” above, the Trustee may, and upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall, declare the principal of all the Notes and Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components) to be immediately payable by notice to the Co-Issuers, and upon that declaration the unpaid principal of all the Notes and Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components), together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), and other amounts payable under the Indenture, shall become immediately payable. The Reinvestment Period shall terminate upon a declaration of acceleration (subject to re-commencement as described below). If an Event of Default described in clauses (e), (g) or (h) above under “—Events of Default” occurs, all unpaid principal, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), of all the Notes and Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components), and other amounts payable under the Indenture, shall automatically become payable

without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any Noteholder and the Reinvestment Period shall terminate automatically (subject to re-commencement as described below).

At any time after the declaration of acceleration of maturity has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, may rescind the declaration and its consequences if:

- (i) the Issuer or the Co-Issuer has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:
  - (A) all unpaid installments of interest and principal on the Notes and Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components) then due (other than as a result of the acceleration);
  - (B) to the extent that payment of the interest is lawful, interest on any Deferred Interest and Defaulted Interest at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable;
  - (C) all Administrative Expenses of the Co-Issuers and other sums paid or advanced by the Trustee under the Indenture;
  - (D) all unpaid Senior Management Fees; and
  - (E) all amounts then payable to any Hedge Counterparty; and
- (ii) the Trustee has determined that all Events of Default, other than the nonpayment of the interest on or principal of the Notes and Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components), that have become due solely by the acceleration, have been (A) cured, and a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Trustee has agreed with that determination, or (B) waived as provided in the Indenture.

No rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right resulting from the Default. The Issuer shall not terminate any Hedge Agreement at any time after a declaration of acceleration of Maturity of the Notes and Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components) has been made, unless such declaration and its consequences may no longer be rescinded and annulled in accordance with the Indenture and liquidation of the Collateral has begun.

If an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee will retain the Collateral intact, collect, and cause the collection of the proceeds of the Collateral and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Collateral and the Notes and any Hedge Agreements (other than amounts received under a Hedge Agreement that are used in putting a replacement hedge in place) in the manner described under “—Priority of Payments” and the Indenture unless either:

- (i) the Trustee determines (bid prices having been obtained with respect to each security contained in the Collateral from two nationally recognized dealers (or if there is only one dealer, that dealer and if there is no dealer, from a pricing service), selected and specified by the Portfolio Manager to the Trustee in writing, at the time making a market in those securities, and having computed the anticipated proceeds of sale or liquidation on the basis of the lower of the bid prices for each security) that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would (after deduction of the reasonable expenses of the sale or liquidation) be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and the Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) under “—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds,” and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination; or

(ii) the Holders of a Super Majority of each of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral.

During the continuance of an Event of Default, a Majority of the Controlling Class may institute and direct the Trustee in the conduct of any proceedings for any remedy available to the Trustee or for the exercise of any right of the Trustee under the Indenture if the direction does not conflict with any rule of law or with any express provision of the Indenture and the Trustee has been indemnified to its reasonable satisfaction. Any direction to the Trustee to undertake a sale of the Collateral shall be by the Holders of Notes representing the requisite percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes specified in the Indenture. The Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability unless it has received an indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it against the liability.

A Majority of the Controlling Class may on behalf of the Holders of all the Notes (including the Note Components), before the time a judgment or decree for the payment of money due has been obtained by the Trustee, waive any past Event of Default or event that, with notice or the lapse of time or both, would become an Event of Default and its consequences, except such a default:

- (i) in the payment of principal or Redemption Price of any Note or in the payment of interest (including Defaulted Interest, Deferred Interest, and any interest on Defaulted Interest or Deferred Interest) on the Notes;
- (ii) with respect to a provision of the Indenture that cannot be modified or amended without the waiver or consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected by the modification or amendment;
- (iii) in the payment of amounts due to the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, or the Hedge Counterparty, which may only be waived with the consent of the affected party; or
- (iv) arising as a result of an Event of Default described in clause (e), (g) or (h) under “—Events of Default.”

No Holder of any Note or Composite Security may institute any proceeding with respect to the Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy under the Indenture, unless:

- (i) the Holder has previously given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default;
- (ii) the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute Proceedings with respect to the Event of Default in its own name as Trustee under the Indenture and the Holders have offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with the request;
- (iii) the Trustee for 30 days after its receipt of the notice, request, and offer of indemnity has failed to institute a Proceeding; and
- (iv) no direction inconsistent with the written request has been given to the Trustee during the 30 day period by a Majority of the Controlling Class.

If the Trustee receives conflicting or inconsistent requests and indemnity from two or more groups of Holders of the Controlling Class, each representing less than a Majority of the Controlling Class, the Trustee shall take the action requested by the Holders of the largest percentage in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, notwithstanding any other provisions of the Indenture.



## Supplemental Indentures

### *Without Consent of Holders*

Without the consent of the Holders of any Securities, but with the consent of the parties the consent of which is required as described in the following paragraph, the Co-Issuers, in each instance when authorized by resolutions of the respective Boards of Directors, and the Trustee, at any time and from time to time subject to the requirement provided below with respect to receipt of a Rating Confirmation, may, if it is not materially and adversely affected thereby (and will be bound by a standard of good faith and fair dealing in making such determination) enter into one or more indentures supplemental to the Indenture, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, for any of the following purposes:

- (1) to evidence the succession of another person to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and the assumption by the successor person of the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Indenture and in the Securities;
- (2) to add to the covenants of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes and the Composite Securities or to surrender any right in the Indenture conferred on the Co-Issuers;
- (3) to convey, transfer, assign, mortgage, or pledge any property to the Trustee, or add to the conditions, limitations or restrictions on the authorized amount, terms and purposes of the issue, authentication and delivery of the Notes and the Composite Securities;
- (4) evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment under the Indenture by a successor Trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of the Indenture necessary to facilitate the administration of the trusts under the Indenture by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of the Indenture;
- (5) correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of the Indenture, or to better assure, convey, and confirm to the Trustee any property subject or required to be subject to the lien of the Indenture (including all actions appropriate as a result of changes in law) or to subject to the lien of the Indenture any additional property;
- (6) modify the restrictions on and procedures for resales and other transfers of the Notes and the Composite Securities to reflect any changes in applicable law (or its interpretation) or to enable the Co-Issuers to rely on any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities Act or the Investment Company Act or to remove restrictions on resale and transfer to the extent not required under the Indenture;
- (7) with the consent of the Portfolio Manager, to modify the restrictions on the sales of Collateral Obligations described in “Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Reinvestment of Principal Proceeds and Reinvestment Criteria” or the Eligibility Criteria described in “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria” (and the related definitions) in a manner not materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Portfolio Manager to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities;
- (8) make appropriate changes for any Class of Securities (other than the Preference Shares) to be listed on an exchange other than the Irish Stock Exchange;
- (9) otherwise to correct any inconsistency or cure any ambiguity or errors in the Indenture;

- (10) accommodate the issuance of the Notes or Composite Securities in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC or otherwise;
- (11) to take any appropriate action to prevent the Issuer, the Holders of Securities or the Trustee from becoming subject to withholding or other taxes, fees, or assessments or to prevent the Issuer from being treated as being engaged in a U.S. trade or business or otherwise being subject to U.S. federal, state, or local income tax on a net income basis, so long as the action will not cause the Holders of any Securities to be adversely affected to any material extent by any change to the timing, character, or source of the income from the Securities, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion);
- (12) to authorize the appointment of any listing agent, transfer agent, paying agent, or additional registrar for any Class of Notes or Composite Securities appropriate in connection with the listing of any Class of Securities (other than the Preference Shares) on the Irish Stock Exchange or any other stock exchange, and otherwise to amend the Indenture to incorporate any changes required or requested by any governmental authority, stock exchange authority, listing agent, transfer agent, paying agent, or additional registrar for any Class of Notes or Composite Securities in connection with its appointment, so long as the supplemental indenture would not materially and adversely affect any Holder of Notes or Composite Securities, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Notes or Composite Securities;
- (13) to amend, modify, enter into, or accommodate the execution of any contract relating to a Synthetic Security (including posting collateral under a Synthetic Security Agreement);
- (14) to modify certain representations as to Collateral in the Indenture in order that it may be consistent with applicable laws or Rating Agency requirements;
- (15) to evidence any waiver by any Rating Agency as to any requirement or condition, as applicable, of the Rating Agency in the Indenture;
- (16) to facilitate the issuance of participation notes, combination notes, composite securities and other similar securities;
- (17) to facilitate hedging transactions;
- (18) to facilitate the ability of the Issuer to lend collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement;
- (19) to modify any provision to facilitate an exchange of one security for another security of the same issuers that has substantially identical terms except transfer restrictions, including to effect any serial designation relating to the exchange; or
- (20) with the consent of the Portfolio Manager, to enter into any additional agreements not expressly prohibited by the Indenture as well as any amendment, modification, or waiver if the Issuer determines that the amendment, modification, or waiver would not, upon or after becoming effective, materially and adversely affect the rights or interest of the Holders of any Class of Securities, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant

certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Portfolio Manager, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities.

Without the consent of the Portfolio Manager, no supplemental indenture may be entered into that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to the Portfolio Manager under the Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Portfolio Manager. The Trustee is authorized to join in the execution of any such supplemental indenture and to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations that may be in the agreements, but the Trustee shall not be obligated to enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties, liabilities, or immunities under the Indenture or otherwise, except to the extent required by law. Unless notified by a Majority of any Class of Securities that the Class of Securities would be materially and adversely affected, the Trustee may rely on a certificate of the Portfolio Manager and an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) as to whether the interests of any Holder of Securities would be materially and adversely affected by any such supplemental indenture. The Trustee shall give at least 15 Business Days' notice of the proposed change to the Holders of the Notes and to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares).

If any Outstanding Notes or Composite Securities are rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee shall enter into a supplemental indenture without the consent of Holders only if either (1) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the supplemental indenture or (2) the Portfolio Manager and the Holders of 100% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes and Composite Securities the ratings on which would be reduced or withdrawn consent to the supplemental indenture. Prior to the entry into any supplemental Indenture with respect to which a Rating Confirmation for one or more Classes of Notes is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Note and each Holder of each Outstanding Composite Security informing them of such fact.

For so long as any Notes or Composite Securities are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee shall provide to the Rating Agency, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Hedge Counterparty a copy of any proposed supplemental indenture at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee.

*With Consent of Holders*

If the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency, with the consent of (a) the Portfolio Manager if the supplemental indenture would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under the Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Portfolio Manager, (b) a Majority of each Class of Notes adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of each such Class of Notes and (c) a Majority of the Composite Securities adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of the Composite Securities and (d) a Majority of the Preference Shares adversely affected thereby, the Trustee and the Co-Issuers may enter into a supplemental indenture to add any provisions to, or change in any manner or eliminate any of the provisions of, the Indenture or modify in any manner the rights of the Holders of the Notes and the Composite Securities under the Indenture.

Any proposed supplemental indenture that would also necessitate a change to the Issuer Charter may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Issuer Charter) has been passed to permit the Issuer's constitutional documents to be altered to conform them to the proposed change to the Indenture as certified to the Trustee by the Issuer.

Notwithstanding anything in the Indenture to the contrary, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected thereby, the Holder of each Outstanding Composite Security

adversely affected thereby and the Holder of each Outstanding Preference Share adversely affected thereby, no supplemental indenture shall:

(i) change the Stated Maturity of the principal of or the due date of any installment of interest on any Note or of any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, reduce the principal amount or the rate of interest on any Note, or the Default Interest Rate or the Redemption Price with respect to any Note or Preference Share, or change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Share may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer, change the provisions of the Indenture relating to the application of proceeds of any Collateral to the payment of principal of or interest on Notes and the application of proceeds of any Class C Components, Class D-2 Components or Preference Share Components corresponding to their related Components or to payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, or change any place where, or the coin or currency in which, Notes or their principal or interest are paid or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after their Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the applicable Redemption Date);

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class or Composite Securities or Holders of Preference Shares whose consent is required for the authorization of any such supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of the Indenture or certain defaults under the Indenture or their consequences provided for in the Indenture;

(iii) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on a parity with the lien of the Indenture with respect to any part of the Collateral or terminate the lien on any property at any time subject hereto or deprive the Holder of any Note or Composite Security of the security afforded by the lien of the Indenture;

(iv) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class whose consent is required to request the Trustee to preserve the Collateral pursuant to the Indenture or to sell or liquidate the Collateral pursuant to the Indenture;

(v) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture with respect to supplemental indentures or to provide that certain other provisions of the Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note, Preference Share and Composite Security affected thereby;

(vi) modify the definition of "Outstanding," "Controlling Class," or "Majority," or the Priority of Payments in the Indenture; or

(vii) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of Redemption Price or of interest or principal on any Note or any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the payment of dividends or other payments on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date or to affect the rights of the Holders of Notes or Preference Shares (including the Note Components or Preference Share Components, as the case may be) to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of the Notes or the Preference Shares contained in the Indenture.

Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the above provision, the Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail to the Holders of the Notes and the Composite Securities, the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes or Composite Securities are Outstanding) a copy of such supplemental indenture and shall request any required consent from the applicable Holders of Securities to be given within the Initial Consent Period. Any consent given to a proposed supplemental indenture by the Holder of any Securities shall be irrevocable and binding on all future Holders or beneficial owners of that Security, irrespective of the

execution date of the supplemental indenture. If the Holders of less than the required percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the relevant Securities consent to a proposed supplemental indenture within the Initial Consent Period, on the first Business Day after the Initial Consent Period, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager which Holders of Securities have consented to the proposed supplemental indenture and, which Holders (and, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the Trustee, which beneficial owners) have not consented to the proposed supplemental indenture. If it intends to exercise its Amendment Buy-Out Option, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall so notify the Trustee (which notice shall designate a date for the Amendment Buy-Out to occur no earlier than 10 Business Days after the date of such notice) no later than five (5) Business Days after so being notified by the Trustee and the Trustee shall mail such notice to all Holders of Notes and Composite Securities and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares). Any Non-Consenting Holder may give consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture until the 5<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the date of the Amendment Buy-Out designated by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and in such case shall cease to be a Non-Consenting Holder for purposes of the Amendment Buy-Out. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser exercises its Amendment Buy-Out Option and purchases the applicable Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, as Holder or beneficial owner of the applicable Securities, may consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture within five (5) Business Days of the Amendment Buy-Out.

It shall not be necessary for any Act of Holders of Notes or Composite Securities under the above provision to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if the Act or consent approves its substance.

At the cost of the Co-Issuers, for so long as any Notes or Composite Securities are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee will provide to the Rating Agency a copy of any proposed supplemental indenture at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee and a copy of the executed supplemental indenture will be mailed to the Holders of the Notes and the Composite Securities, the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency after its execution.

The Class 1 Composite Securities shall only be adversely affected or materially and adversely affected, as the context requires, by any proposed supplemental indenture if the Composite Securities would suffer an adverse effect or material adverse effect, as the context requires, that does not arise directly from an adverse effect or material adverse effect suffered by the Class D-2 Notes or the Preference Shares.

The Class 2 Composite Securities shall only be adversely affected or materially and adversely affected, as the context requires, by any proposed supplemental indenture if the Composite Securities would suffer an adverse effect or material adverse effect, as the context requires, that does not arise directly from an adverse effect or material adverse effect suffered by the Class C Notes or the Preference Shares.

The Holders of the Composite Securities shall not be entitled to voting rights as a separate Class except to the extent such Composite Securities are deemed to be adversely affected or materially and adversely affected, as the context requires, as provided above. Additionally, the Holders of the Composite Securities shall not be entitled to direct the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture except, in the case of the Class 1 Composite Security, with the Holders of the Class D-2 Notes to the extent of their interest in the Note Component and, in the case of the Class 2 Composite Security, with the Holders of the Class C Notes to the extent of their interest in the Note Component or, in the case of either Composite Security, with the Holders of the Preference Shares to the extent of their interest in the respective Preference Shares Components.

The Holders of Class 1 Composite Securities, except to the extent otherwise expressly provided, will be entitled to vote with the Class D-2 Notes and the Preference Shares to which the Class D-2 Components and the Preference Share Components, respectively, of such Class 1 Composite Securities relate: (i) the Class D-2 Component, in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the

Class D-2 Component bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Class D-2 Notes (including the Class D-2 Component); or (ii) the Class 1 Composite Security Preference Shares Component, in the proportion that the number of Preference Shares attributable to such Class 1 Composite Security Preference Shares Component bears to the number of all the Outstanding Preference Shares (including the Class 1 Composite Security Preference Shares Component and the Class 2 Composite Security Preference Shares Component).

The Holders of Class 2 Composite Securities, except to the extent otherwise expressly provided, will be entitled to vote with the Class C Notes and the Preference Shares to which the Class C Components and the Preference Share Components, respectively, of such composite Security relate: (i) the Class C Component, in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Component bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Class C Notes (including the Class C Component); or (ii) the Class 2 Composite Security Preference Shares Component, in the proportion that the number of Preference Shares attributable to such Class 2 Composite Security Preference Shares Component bears to the number of all the Outstanding Preference Shares (including the Class 1 Composite Security Preference Shares Component and the Class 2 Composite Security Preference Shares Component).

### **Amendment Buy-Out**

In the case of any supplemental indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Securities held by such Holders of the Class of Securities whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture (the “**Amendment Buy-Out Option**”) for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; provided, however, that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser may not exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option during the Non-Call Period in connection with a proposed amendment to reduce the rate of interest on any Securities or to change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Shares may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all such Securities of Non-Consenting Holders, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an “**Amendment Buy-Out**”). By its acceptance of its Securities under the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents, as applicable, each Holder of Securities agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its applicable Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser; *provided that*, if the solicited consent to a supplemental indenture only applies to one Component of a Composite Security, the Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell, at the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser’s option, its Composite Security as a whole. Neither the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser nor any other Person shall have any liability to any Holder or beneficial owner of Securities as a result of an election by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser not to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option.

All purchases made pursuant to an Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Securities set forth in “Transfer Restrictions” and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

### **Voting Rights of the Preference Shares**

Holders of the Preference Shares will have no voting rights, either general or special, of the Issuer, except as set forth in the Preference Share Documents, as required by Cayman Islands law or as otherwise described herein.

### **Notices**

Notices to the Holders of the Securities will be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the registered Holders of the Securities at their respective addresses appearing in the Indenture Register and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares). If and for

so long as any Class of Securities (other than the Preference Shares) is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, notice will also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

### **Certain Covenants**

The Indenture contains certain covenants restricting the conduct of the Co-Issuers, including (i) restrictions on consolidations, mergers and transfers or conveyances of assets involving either Co-Issuer, (ii) restrictions on incurrence of debt other than the Notes and certain obligations incidental to the performance by each Co-Issuer of its obligations under the Indenture, (iii) restrictions on the ability of either Co-Issuer to conduct activities inconsistent with its special-purpose nature and (iv) certain restrictions on amendments of the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Management Agreement.

### **Certain Additional Issues Relating to Listing of Securities**

Application will be made to admit each Class of Securities (other than the Preference Shares) to the Daily Official List of the Irish Stock Exchange. There can be no assurance that any such admission will be granted or maintained.

The Indenture provides that, so long as any Notes or the Composite Securities remain Outstanding, the Co-Issuers shall use all reasonable efforts to obtain and maintain the listing of the Securities (other than the Preference Shares) on the Irish Stock Exchange.

### **Cancellation**

All Securities that are paid in full or redeemed and surrendered for cancellation will forthwith be canceled and may not be reissued or resold.

### **No Gross-Up**

All payments made by the Issuer under the Securities will be made without any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax unless the deduction or withholding is required by any applicable law, as modified by the practice of any relevant governmental revenue authority, then in effect. If the Issuer is so required to deduct or withhold, then the Issuer will not be obligated to pay any additional amounts in respect of the withholding or deduction.

### **Petitions for Bankruptcy**

The Indenture provides that the Trustee, each Hedge Counterparty, the Portfolio Manager and the Holders of the Notes and the Composite Securities may not cause the Issuer or Co-Issuer to petition for bankruptcy before one year and one day have elapsed since the final payments to the Holders of all Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, including any period established pursuant to the laws of the Cayman Islands.

### **Standard of Conduct**

The Indenture provides that, in exercising any of its or their voting rights, rights to direct and consent or any other rights as a Noteholder or Composite Securityholder under the Indenture, subject to the terms and conditions of the Indenture, a Noteholder or Composite Securityholder shall not have any obligation or duty to any Person or to consider or take into account the interests of any Person and shall not be liable to any Person for any action taken by it or them or at its or their direction or any failure by it or them to act or to direct that an action be taken, without regard to whether the action or inaction benefits or adversely affects any Noteholder or Composite Securityholder, the Issuer, or any other Person, except for any liability to which the Noteholder or Composite Securityholder may be subject to the extent the same results from the Noteholder's or Composite Securityholder's taking or directing an action, or failing to take or direct an action, in bad faith or in violation of the express terms of the Indenture.

## **Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture**

The Indenture will be discharged with respect to the Collateral upon delivery to the Trustee for cancellation of all of the Notes and Composite Securities, or, within certain limitations (including the obligation to pay interest on or principal of the Notes) upon deposit with the Trustee of funds sufficient for the payment or redemption thereof and the payment by the Co-Issuers or the Issuer, as applicable, of all other amounts due under the Indenture.

## **Trustee**

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, will be the Trustee under the Indenture. The Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager and their respective Affiliates may maintain other banking relationships in the ordinary course of business with the Trustee and its Affiliates. The payment of the fees and expenses of the Trustee relating to the Notes and the Composite Securities is solely the obligation of the Issuer. The payment of the fees and expenses, which will be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments, is secured by a lien on the Collateral which is senior to the lien of the Holders of the Notes. The Trustee and its affiliates may receive compensation in connection with the investment of trust assets in certain Eligible Investments as provided in the Indenture. Eligible Investments may include investments for which the Trustee or its affiliates provide services. The Indenture contains provisions for the indemnification of the Trustee for any loss, liability or expense incurred without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of the Indenture.

Pursuant to the Indenture, as security for the payment by the Issuer of the compensation and expenses of the Trustee and any sums the Trustee may be entitled to receive as indemnification by the Issuer, the Issuer will grant the Trustee a senior lien on the Collateral, which is senior to the lien of the holders of the Secured Obligations on the Collateral.

Pursuant to the Indenture, the Trustee may resign at any time by providing 30 days' written notice and the Trustee may be removed at any time by an Act of a Majority of each Class of Notes, at any time when an Event of Default is continuing by a Majority of the Controlling Class, or by order of a court of competent jurisdiction. However, no resignation or removal of the Trustee will become effective until the acceptance of appointment by a successor Trustee pursuant to the terms of the Indenture.

## **Governing Law**

The Notes (including the Note Components of the Composite Securities), the Indenture, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Management Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Purchase Agreement, the Subscription Agreements, the Securities Lending Agreements, and the Hedge Agreements will be governed by the laws of the State of New York. The Administration Agreement and the Issuer Charter will be governed by the laws of the Cayman Islands.

## **Method of Payments**

Payments of principal and interest on any Note or payments on or in respect of the Preference Shares (including any Redemption Price paid on the applicable Redemption Date) and of any payments on any Notes or Preference Shares will be made to the person in whose name the related Note or Preference Share is registered fifteen days before the applicable Payment Date (the "**Record Date**"). Payments will be made (i) in the case of a Global Security, to the Depository or its designee and to the Holder or its nominee with respect to a Certificated Composite Security or a Definitive Security, by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a United States dollar account maintained by the Depository or its nominee with respect to a Global Security and to the Holder or its designee with respect to a Certificated Composite Security or a Definitive Security if the Holder has provided written wiring instructions to the Trustee (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent) and, if the payment is to be made by the Irish Paying Agent, the Irish Paying Agent on or before the related Record Date or, (ii) if appropriate wiring instructions are not received by the related Record Date,



by check drawn on a U.S. bank mailed to the address of the Holder in the Indenture Register (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Preference Share register). Final payments of principal of the Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares will be made against surrender of the related Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares at the office designated by the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent. None of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agents, any paying agent, or any of their respective affiliates will have any responsibility or liability for any aspects of the records maintained by the Depository or its nominee or any of its direct or indirect participants (including Euroclear or Clearstream or any of their respective direct or indirect participants) relating to payments made on account of beneficial interests in a Global Security.

The Co-Issuers expect that the Depository or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment of principal or interest in respect of a Global Security held by the Depository or its nominee, will immediately credit participants' accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the Global Security as shown on the records of the Depository or its nominee. The Co-Issuers also expect that payments by participants (i.e., direct participants) to owners of beneficial interests in a Global Security held through the participants (i.e., indirect participants) will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers registered in the names of nominees for the customers. The payments will be the responsibility of the participants.

For so long as any Securities (other than the Preference Shares) are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange shall so require, the Issuer and the Co-Issuers, as applicable, will have the Irish Paying Agent for the Notes in Ireland and payments on the Notes may be effected through the Irish Paying Agent. If the Irish Paying Agent is replaced at any time during the period, notice of the appointment of any replacement will be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

### **Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement**

Pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agent will perform various fiscal services with respect to the Preference Shares on behalf of the Issuer, including the maintenance of the Preference Shares Distribution Account and the making of distributions on the Preference Shares. The Preference Shares Paying Agent will deliver or request the Trustee to deliver all Monthly Reports and Valuation Reports prepared pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deliver, or shall cause the Trustee to deliver, a copy of any other notice or information it receives from the Trustee under the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to each holder of a Preference Share at the address appearing in the Preference Share register. The payment of the fees and expenses of the Preference Shares Paying Agent is solely the obligation of the Issuer. The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement contains provisions for the indemnification of the Preference Shares Paying Agent for any loss, liability or expense incurred without gross negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith on its part, arising out of or in connection with the performance of its function under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Issuer is scheduled to redeem the Preference Shares for a redemption price equal to all amounts distributable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares as provided under “—Priority of Payments,” unless the Preference Shares have been redeemed earlier through an optional redemption as described herein or otherwise.

The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York. The rights of the Holders of the Preference Shares will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the Cayman Islands.

## **The Issuer Charter**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Issuer Charter relating to the Preference Shares that are not referred to elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum.

### *Voting Rights*

Other than as provided below, only the holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares shall have the right to receive notice of, attend at and vote as a shareholder of the Issuer at any general meeting of the Issuer. Every holder of an Issuer Ordinary Share present at any meeting shall, on a show of hands, be entitled to one vote and, on a poll, shall be entitled to one vote per Issuer Ordinary Share held by such holder.

The Holders of the Preference Shares shall have the right to receive notice of, attend at and vote as a shareholder of the Issuer at any general meeting of the Issuer only in respect of a resolution which relates to any circumstance or matter which under the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents or the Management Agreement can take place or occur only at the direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares (a “**Preference Share Vote**”). Every Holder of Preference Shares present shall, on a show of hands, be entitled to one vote and, on a poll, shall be entitled to one vote per Preference Share held by such Holder except that, in relation to a Preference Share Vote relating to certain matters (as set out in the Indenture) Preference Shares held by certain Holders (as set out in the Indenture), shall be ignored.

### *Liquidation*

In the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Issuer:

(i) the Holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares at the time outstanding will be entitled to receive out of the assets of the Issuer available for distribution to shareholders, before any distribution of assets is made to Holders of the Preference Shares, an amount equal to U.S.\$2.00 in respect of each Issuer Ordinary Share held by each such holder; and

(ii) the Holders of the Preference Shares at the time Outstanding will be entitled to the balance of the assets of the Issuer available for distribution to shareholders, after distribution of amounts due to holders of Issuer Ordinary Shares under the above subparagraph, pro rata according to the number of Preference Shares held by each such holder.

If the assets available for distribution to holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares are not sufficient to pay to such holders U.S.\$2.00 in respect of each Issuer Ordinary Share, the available assets shall be distributed to holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares *pro rata* according to the number of Issuer Ordinary Shares held by each such holder.

### *Transfer*

The rights of a Holder of a Preference Share to transfer such Preference Share are subject to restrictions set out in the Preference Share Documents and as described in “Transfer Restrictions.”

### *Petitions for Bankruptcy*

Each Holder of a Preference Share will be required to agree (or be deemed to have agreed) not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect.

## USE OF PROCEEDS

The Securities will be issued and sold for Cash on the Closing Date. The gross proceeds from the issuance of such Securities on the Closing Date are expected to equal approximately U.S.\$700,000,000 and will be used by the Issuer to:

- purchase a portfolio of Collateral Obligations;
- fund the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to cover any future draws on Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans;
- enter into any Hedge Agreements, as applicable;
- enter into any Securities Lending Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the Securities Lending Account);
- enter into Synthetic Security Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the related accounts);
- repurchase and terminate Participations outstanding under the Warehouse Agreement (at a price reflecting the price originally paid by the Issuer to acquire the Warehoused Loan, *plus* the amount of extensions of credit in respect of certain Warehoused Loans, *minus* the aggregate amount of payments of principal received by the Warehouse Provider in respect of such Warehoused Loans (excluding the amount of any such payment that was required to be repaid or returned by the Warehouse Provider by claw-back or otherwise), *plus* all accrued and unpaid interest and fees on the Warehoused Loans;
- fund the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account; and
- undertake certain related activities.

## SECURITY FOR THE NOTES

The Notes, the Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components) and the Issuer's obligations under the Hedge Agreements and the Management Agreement will be secured by the following:

- (i) the Collateral Obligations and all Workout Assets;
- (ii) the Custodial Account, the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Securities Lending Account (such accounts, collectively, the "**Issuer Accounts**"), Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, and all income from the investment of funds in the Issuer Accounts;
- (iii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account (and together with the Issuer Accounts, the "**Accounts**") and assets included therein, subject to the terms of the related Synthetic Security (*provided, however*, that any such rights in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee (or securities intermediary) first to secure the Issuer's payment obligations to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty and second for the benefit of the Secured Parties);
- (iv) the Management Agreement, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Securities Lending Agreements and all Securities Lending Collateral and the Securities Lending Account, the Hedge Agreements as set forth in the Indenture and all Collateral securing the Hedge Counterparty's obligations thereunder including, without limitation, the Hedge

Counterparty Collateral Account and the Collateral Administration Agreement to the extent of any rights of the Issuer therein;

- (v) all Cash or money delivered to the Trustee (or its bailee); and
- (vi) all proceeds with respect to the foregoing (collectively, the “**Collateral**”).

For the avoidance of any doubt, Collateral will exclude (i) amounts released from the Trustee’s lien in connection with certain Synthetic Securities, Hedge Agreements and Securities Lending Agreements in accordance with the Indenture and (ii) the Excluded Property.

### **Purchase of Collateral Obligations**

The Indenture will provide that the Portfolio Manager will use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the Issuer to purchase or enter into binding commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations that meet certain minimum amounts and characteristics. The composition of the portfolio of Collateral Obligations will be eligible for purchase by the Issuer if it meets the Eligibility Criteria and will be determined by the selections of the Portfolio Manager designed to meet the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests and the Reinvestment Criteria. See “—Eligibility Criteria,” “—The Collateral Quality Tests” and “—The Coverage Tests.”

The Portfolio Manager expects that, by the end of the Ramp-Up Period, the Issuer will have purchased or committed to purchase Collateral Obligations having an Aggregate Principal Balance of approximately \$678,000,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date).

### **Eligibility Criteria**

On any date during the Reinvestment Period (and, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, on any date after the Reinvestment Period), so long as no Event of Default is continuing, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to invest or reinvest Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations) in Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer’s purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) if the conditions specified in the Indenture are satisfied. No obligations may be purchased unless each of the conditions in the following clauses (1) through (12) (the “**Eligibility Criteria**”) is satisfied as evidenced by a certificate of the Portfolio Manager as of the date the Issuer commits to make the purchase, in each case after giving effect to the purchase and all other purchases and sales previously or simultaneously committed to:

- (1) the obligation is a Collateral Obligation;
- (2) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period:
  - (A) each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied and, if the commitment is made on or after the second Payment Date, each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied; or
  - (B) if any such Coverage Test is not satisfied, both:
    - (i) the extent of satisfaction of the Coverage Test is not reduced; and
    - (ii) the Collateral Obligation is being purchased with Principal Proceeds other than:

- (x) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or
  - (y) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Workout Asset that has been received in exchange for a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
- (3) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Diversity Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (4) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (5) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, each of the limits in the definition of “Concentration Limitations” is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (6) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (7) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (8) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (9) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (10) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (11) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced; provided, however, that this Eligibility Criterion (11) shall not apply either to reinvestment of the proceeds from the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset or to the reinvestment of Principal Proceeds in respect of Defaulted Collateral Obligations; and
- (12) for any date occurring after the Reinvestment Period:
  - (A) each Coverage Test is satisfied and the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
  - (B) each Collateral Quality Test is maintained or improved and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied;
  - (C) each Concentration Limitation is maintained or improved and the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Caa Collateral Obligations do not exceed 7.50% of the Maximum Investment Amount;
  - (D) the maturity date of such Collateral Obligation will occur prior to the Stated Maturity of the Notes;

(E) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation is at least equal to the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments or of the Credit Risk Obligations or Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable; and

(F) the current Moody's Ratings on the Class A Notes are "Aaa" and the current Moody's Ratings on the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes are no lower than one subcategory below their initial rating.

The Issuer may, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, exchange a Collateral Obligation for another Collateral Obligation in an exchange of one security for another security of the same issuers that has substantially identical terms except transfer restrictions.

Cash on deposit in the Collection Account may be invested at any time in Eligible Investments in accordance with this "Eligibility Criteria" section pending investment in Collateral Obligations.

The Indenture provides that any sale or purchase by the Issuer of a Collateral Obligation shall be conducted on an arm's length basis and, if effected with the Portfolio Manager or a person Affiliated with the Portfolio Manager or any fund or account for which the Portfolio Manager or an Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager acts as investment adviser, shall be effected in accordance with the requirements the Management Agreement on terms no less favorable to the Issuer than would be the case if the person were not so Affiliated.

### **The Collateral Quality Tests**

The Collateral Quality Tests will be used primarily as criteria for purchasing Collateral Obligations. See "—Eligibility Criteria" above and "—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Reinvestment of Principal Proceeds and Reinvestment Criteria" below. The Collateral Quality Tests are described below.

Measurement of the degree of compliance with the Collateral Quality Tests will be required on each Measurement Date on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

#### *The Diversity Test*

The "**Diversity Test**" is a test that will be satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Diversity Score as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score.

#### *Weighted Average Life Test*

The "**Weighted Average Life Test**" is a that will be satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the greater of (a) the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and August 1, 2014 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date and (b) 3.0 years.

#### *Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test*

The "**Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test**" is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 44.5%.

#### *Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test*

The "**Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test**" is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 51.7%.

"**S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate**" is a rate, as of any Measurement Date, equal to the number obtained by:

- (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate;
- (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations; and
- (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

*Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test*

The “**Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test**” is a test that is satisfied if, as of any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 8.0%.

*Weighted Average Spread Test*

The “**Weighted Average Spread Test**” is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread.

*Weighted Average Rating Factor Test*

The “**Weighted Average Rating Factor Test**” is a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of the Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor.

*S&P CDO Monitor Test*

The “**S&P CDO Monitor Test**” is a test that will be satisfied on any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive. The S&P CDO Monitor Test shall be considered to be improved if each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is at least equal to the corresponding Note Class Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio. The S&P CDO Monitor Test is not required to be satisfied or improved upon the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation and the reinvestment of the related Sale Proceeds in additional Collateral Obligations. For purposes of the S&P CDO Monitor Test:

- (i) the S&P Rating of any S&P Unrated DIP Loan shall be “CCC-”; and
- (ii) the S&P Industry Classification for a Synthetic Security shall be that of the related Reference Obligation and not the Synthetic Security.

The “**Note Class Loss Differential**” with respect to any Measurement Date and any Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the rate calculated by subtracting the Class Scenario Loss Rate for the Class from the then-applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate for the Class of Notes.

The “**Note Break-Even Loss Rate**” with respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the maximum percentage of defaults that the Current Portfolio or Proposed Portfolio can sustain and nevertheless sufficient funds will remain for the payment of principal of the Class of Notes in full by its Stated Maturity and the timely payment of interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes and the ultimate payment of interest on the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes using S&P’s assumptions on recoveries, defaults, and timing, and taking into account the Priority of Payments and the adjusted Weighted Average Spread level specified in the applicable row of the table below. The adjusted Weighted Average Spread as of any Measurement Date is the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date *minus* the amount of any Spread Excess added to the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon as of the Measurement Date.

<b>Row</b>	<b>Adjusted Weighted Average Spread</b>
1	Greater than or equal to 3.05 %
2	Greater than or equal to 2.95% but less than 3.05%
3	Greater than or equal to 2.85% but less than 2.95%
4	Greater than or equal to 2.75% but less than 2.85%
5	Greater than or equal to 2.65% but less than 2.75
6	Greater than or equal to 2.55% but less than 2.65%
7	Greater than or equal to 2.45% but less than 2.55%
8	Greater than or equal to 2.35% but less than 2.45%
9	Greater than or equal to 2.25% but less than 2.35%

## The Coverage Tests

### *General*

The Coverage Tests will be used to determine, among other things, whether Notes will be redeemed in certain circumstances as described under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments” and whether additional Collateral Obligations may be acquired as described under “—Eligibility Criteria.” There will not be any Coverage Test applicable to the Composite Securities (other than with respect to the Note Components thereof) or the Preference Shares.

### *The Overcollateralization Tests*

The “**Overcollateralization Tests**” will consist of the Class A/B Overcollateralization Test, the Class C Overcollateralization Test and the Class D Overcollateralization Test.

Each Overcollateralization Test will be satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes on any Measurement Date if, as of such Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the specified required level for the Class indicated in the table in “Summary of Terms—The Overcollateralization Tests.”

The Overcollateralization Ratio, with respect to each Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, is referred to as an “**Overcollateralization Ratio**,” and is the ratio calculated by *dividing*:

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator; by
- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it (excluding any Deferred Interest on the Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it).

The “**Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator**” is, on any date, the sum of:

- (1) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (other than any Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, any Deep Discount Obligations, and any Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an “event of default” (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing); *plus*
- (2) unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal (excluding any unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal in respect of Non-Performing Collateral Obligations); *plus*



- (3) the Aggregate Principal Balance of any Eligible Investments that were purchased with Principal Proceeds and the amount of Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
- (4) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Eligible Investments on deposit in a Securities Lending Account that relate to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an “event of default” (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing; *plus*
- (5) with respect Collateral Obligation that are Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, Deep Discount Obligations or Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, the amount determined by using one of the following methods applicable to such type of Collateral Obligation; *provided* that if a Collateral Obligation falls within more than one of such types, the Issuer will be required to use the method that results in the smallest amount:
  - (A) with respect to any Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, an amount equal to the product of (i) the lower of (1) 70% and (2) the weighted average Market Value of all CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances *multiplied* by (ii) the Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations
  - (B) with respect to any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, the aggregate of the Applicable Collateral Obligation Amounts for all included Non-Performing Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations that have been held by the Issuer for more than three years, which shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this clause (B)); and
  - (C) with respect to any Deep Discount Obligations, the Aggregate Purchase Price Amount for all Deep Discount Obligations.

As used in this definition, “**Applicable Collateral Obligation Amount**” for any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation means:

- (1) the lesser of (x) the Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation and (y) the Applicable Percentage for the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation *multiplied* by:
- (2) if the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation is:
  - (A) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (B) through (D) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
  - (B) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
  - (C) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer’s obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and
  - (D) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

As used in the calculation of Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation, the Principal Balance of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall be, if the Defaulted Collateral Obligation is:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (ii) through (iv) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and
- (iv) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

*The Interest Coverage Tests*

The Interest Coverage Test in respect of each Class of Notes (each an “**Interest Coverage Test**”) is a test the first Measurement Date for which will be on the second Payment Date and that is satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level specified in the table in “Summary of Terms— The Interest Coverage Tests.”

The “**Interest Coverage Ratio**” with respect to any specified Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by dividing:

- (i) the sum of:
  - (A) the Interest Proceeds received or scheduled to be received with respect to the Due Period in which the Measurement Date occurs; *minus*
  - (B) amounts payable under clauses (1), (2), (3) and (4) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” on the related Payment Date; by
- (ii) all accrued and unpaid interest on the specified Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to the Class, including any Deferred Interest on the related Payment Date.

For purposes of the Interest Coverage Ratio, only the amount of any interest payment (including any “gross up” payment) on any Collateral Obligation in excess of any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction on any date of determination shall be included in Interest Proceeds.

*Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test*

The “**Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test**” is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date during the Reinvestment Period on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 106.3%.

**Ramp-Up**

In connection with the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer shall use its best efforts to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period or enter into commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period for purchase on or as soon as practicable thereafter (not to exceed 60 days thereafter), in each case, for inclusion in the Collateral so that each of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$678,000,000.

No Collateral Obligations may be purchased prior to the Ramp-Up Completion Date unless immediately following the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (as certified by the Portfolio Manager in writing), the remaining funds in the Collection Account, after giving effect to such purchase, are sufficient as of the date of determination to purchase Collateral Obligations for inclusion in the Collateral so that each of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$678,000,000 (taking into account the Collateral Obligations already part of the Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date)).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, or any other provision of the Indenture, if the Issuer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase a Collateral Obligation to be included in the Collateral, such commitment initially not to exceed 60 days, and at the time of the commitment the Collateral Obligation complied with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set forth under "—Ramp-Up," the Issuer may consummate the purchase of the Collateral Obligation notwithstanding that the Collateral Obligation fails to comply with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set out above on the date of settlement.

The Issuer will use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase, or to enter into binding agreements to purchase, Collateral Obligations by the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that, together with the Collateral Obligations purchased on or before the Closing Date and then held by the Issuer, will satisfy, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date), the Collateral Quality Tests, the Concentration Limitations, the criteria set forth in the Indenture and the Overcollateralization Tests.

On or prior to September 1, 2005, so long as the Ramp-Up Completion Date has not already occurred, the Portfolio Manager shall certify by an order of the Portfolio Manager delivered to the Issuer, the Trustee and Moody's that, as of such date: (i)(A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least \$500,000,000, or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer with proceeds from the sale of the Securities (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be) equals at least \$500,000,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date), (ii) the Diversity Score is equal to at least 40, (iii) the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied and (iv) each of the Coverage Tests are satisfied. If the Portfolio Manager is not able to certify each of the foregoing items, an Interim Ramp-Up Completion Date Failure shall occur.

On or prior to November 1, 2005, so long as the Ramp-Up Completion Date has not already occurred, the Portfolio Manager shall certify by an order of the Portfolio Manager delivered to the Issuer, the Trustee and Moody's that, as of such date: (i)(A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least \$600,000,000, or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer with proceeds from the sale of the Securities (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be) equals at least \$600,000,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date), (ii) the Diversity Score is equal to at least 45, (iii) the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied and (iv) each of the Coverage Tests are satisfied. If the Portfolio Manager is not able to certify each of the foregoing items, an Interim Ramp-Up Completion Date Failure shall occur.

Within 5 Business Days after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Issuer) shall request a Rating Confirmation on behalf of the Issuer and shall provide a

report to the Rating Agencies identifying the Collateral Obligations then included in the Collateral and the Issuer shall obtain and deliver to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies, together with the delivery of a report (and, with respect to S&P, a Microsoft Excel file of the S&P CDO Monitor input file and, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, the name of the obligor thereon, the CUSIP number thereof (if applicable) and the S&P Priority Category thereof) substantially in the form of a Monthly Report as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, an accountants' certificate:

(i) confirming the maturity date, rating, spread and recovery rate for each item of original Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date and the information provided by the Issuer with respect to every other asset included in the Collateral, by reference to such sources as shall be specified therein;

(ii) confirming that as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date:

(1) each of the Coverage Tests are satisfied;

(2) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owned or committed to purchase as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date is at least equal to the Maximum Investment Amount; and

(3) the Collateral Obligations comply with all of the requirements of the Collateral Quality Tests and the Concentration Limitations and the criteria set forth in “—Eligibility Criteria”; and

(iii) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing statements.

If a Rating Confirmation Failure should occur, the Notes will be redeemed pursuant to the Indenture and as described in “Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes upon Rating Confirmation Failure.”

### **Sale of Collateral Obligations; Reinvestment of Principal Proceeds and Reinvestment Criteria**

Pursuant to the Indenture and so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, direct the Trustee to sell (and the Trustee will sell) any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset if the sale meets the requirements in paragraphs (i) through (ix) below:

(i) *Credit Risk Securities.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Risk Obligation at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Risk Obligation in accordance with such direction. Following any sale of a Credit Risk Obligation pursuant to the Indenture, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager during the Reinvestment Period, the Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (to the extent the purchase is in the best interest of the Issuer) with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Sale Proceeds received by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral Obligation sold. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount.

(ii) *Credit Improved Obligations.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Improved Obligation if either:

(1) during the Reinvestment Period, the Portfolio Manager believes before the sale that it will be able to cause the Issuer to reinvest its Sale Proceeds, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria, in one or more additional Collateral Obligations with

an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Credit Improved Obligation by the end of the immediately succeeding Due Period (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest); or

- (2) after the Reinvestment Period, the Sale Proceeds received in respect of the Credit Improved Obligation are at least equal to its Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest);

and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Improved Obligation in accordance with such direction.

- (iii) *Non-Performing Collateral Obligations and Current-Pay Obligations.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Current-Pay Obligation at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Current-Pay Obligation in accordance with such direction. Non-Performing Collateral Obligations may be sold regardless of price; provided, that, the Principal Balance of any Collateral Obligation purchased with proceeds of any Current-Pay Obligation shall equal or exceed the Principal Balance of such Current-Pay Obligation that was sold.
- (iv) *Non-qualifying Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell that obligation in accordance with such direction.
- (v) *Withholding Tax Sales.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation subject to withholding tax at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction.
- (vi) *Optional Redemption.* After the Issuer has notified the Trustee of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all or a portion of the Collateral Obligations as contemplated therein if (A) the requirements in respect of an Optional Redemption under the Indenture have been satisfied and (B) the independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to the Indenture have confirmed the calculations contained in any required certificate furnished by the Portfolio Manager pursuant to the Indenture's Note redemption procedure provisions. After the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares have directed an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Indenture, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all of the remaining Collateral Obligations (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to clause (i) under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares") or a portion of the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous directions of Holders of the Preference Shares (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to clause (ii) under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares") and the Trustee shall sell the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

- (vii) *Rating Confirmation Failure.* After the Portfolio Manager has received notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Securities, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, direct the Trustee to sell Collateral Obligations as contemplated in the Indenture and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.
- (viii) *Discretionary Sales.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation:
  - (1) at any time on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without regard to any restriction specified in clause (2) below); and
  - (2) at any time after the Ramp-Up Completion Date if:
    - (A) after giving effect to the sale and the sale of any other Collateral Obligations whose sale is pending, the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations sold under “—Discretionary Sales” (in each case determined as of the date the direction to sell is given) is not greater than 20% of the Maximum Investment Amount as of January 1 of such calendar year (or, for the first calendar year, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date) (for the purpose of determining the percentage of Collateral Obligations sold during any such period, the amount of any Collateral Obligation sold shall be reduced (a) to the extent of any purchases of Collateral Obligations of the same obligor (which are *pari passu* with such sold Collateral Obligation) occurring within 30 Business Days of the sale (determined based on the date of any relevant trade confirmation or commitment letter) (but only for so long as (x) the Collateral Obligations purchased have not been downgraded by any of the Rating Agencies during the 30 Business Day period, (y) the Collateral Obligations have not been purchased from the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates acting, in each case, as principal or from any funds or accounts advised or managed by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates, and (z) the purchase price of each such Collateral Obligation must not exceed the sale price of the sold Collateral Obligation) and (b) to the extent of any purchases of Collateral Obligations permitted pursuant to the second paragraph set forth under “—Eligibility Criteria”; and
    - (B) during the Reinvestment Period the Portfolio Manager believes before the sale that it will be able to cause the Issuer within 30 days thereafter to reinvest or commit to reinvest its Sale Proceeds, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria, in one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Collateral Obligation (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest);

and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction. However, if the rating by Moody's of the Class A Notes is one or more rating sub-categories below the Initial Rating of the Class A Notes or the rating by Moody's of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes is two or more rating sub-

categories below the Initial Rating of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes or has been withdrawn, the Issuer shall not instruct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligations pursuant to “—Discretionary Sales.” This restriction may be waived by written consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class. For the purposes of this clause (viii), any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not restrict the sale of any Collateral Obligations pursuant to “—Discretionary Sales” if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody’s has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Class A Notes, or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

- (ix) *Workout Assets.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Workout Asset at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and regardless of price and the Trustee shall sell the Workout Assets in accordance with such direction.

### **Certain Determinations Relating to Collateral Obligations**

The Indenture provides that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained therein, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have purchased any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer delivers to the Trustee a contract to purchase, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to receive such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have acquired, granted or delivered, as the case may be, such Collateral Obligations on such date.

The Indenture provides that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained therein, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer delivers to the Trustee a contract to sell, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to sell, and requiring the purchaser to purchase, such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold such Collateral Obligations on such date.

Under the circumstances described in the two preceding paragraphs, if the transaction contemplated by the contract, commitment letter, confirmation or due bill referred to therein does not settle on or before the 60<sup>th</sup> day following the scheduled settlement date (the “**Deadline**”), the deemed purchase or sale shall be deemed not to have occurred; *provided, however*, that the Portfolio Manager shall have the right to extend the Deadline for an additional period (not to exceed an additional 60 days) by notice to the Trustee, which notice shall include the Portfolio Manager’s certification to the effect that the Portfolio Manager believes that the settlement shall occur on or before the extended Deadline.

Scheduled distributions with respect to any Pledged Collateral Obligation shall be determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Indenture.

### **The Accounts**

The Indenture provides that the Trustee will establish separate segregated non-interest bearing trust accounts, which will be designated as the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Custodial Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Interest Reserve Account and the Securities Lending Account. In addition, Synthetic Security Counterparty Accounts may also be established. Any account may contain any number of subaccounts.

*Collection Account.* The Trustee shall deposit into the “**Collection Account**”:

- (i) any funds transferred from (1) the Closing Date Expense Account pursuant to the Indenture or (2) the Interest Reserve Account pursuant to the Indenture;
- (ii) all Principal Proceeds (unless (1) simultaneously reinvested in Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture, (2) deposited into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or (3) posted by the Issuer as cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security or in Eligible Investments) received by the Trustee;
- (iii) all Interest Proceeds received by the Trustee (unless simultaneously reinvested in accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture or in Eligible Investments); and
- (iv) all other funds received by the Trustee and not excluded above.

The Issuer and the Portfolio Manager may, but will not be required to, jointly deposit from time to time any monies in the Collection Account it deems, in its sole discretion, to be advisable (and may designate any amounts so deposited as Principal Proceeds or Interest Proceeds in its discretion).

Any Principal Proceeds received during the Reinvestment Period, and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments received after the Reinvestment Period, which have not been reinvested in additional Collateral Obligations on the Business Day of receipt shall be deposited in the Collection Account and shall at the direction of the Portfolio Manager be applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the other requirements set forth in the Indenture or the purchase of Eligible Investments pending such investment or used to enter into additional Hedge Agreements or used in connection with a Special Redemption. Principal Proceeds (other than Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments) received after the Reinvestment Period shall be deposited into the Collection Account and applied to the purchase of Eligible Investments.

The Collection Account shall be maintained for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Composite Securityholders (in respect of the Note Component only), the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager and each Hedge Counterparty and amounts on deposit in the Collection Account will be available for application in the order of priority under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments" and for the acquisition of Collateral Obligations under the circumstances and pursuant to the requirements in the Indenture. Amounts received in the Collection Account during a Due Period and amounts received in prior Due Periods and retained in the Collection Account under the circumstances stated above in "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments" will be invested in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions). All proceeds deposited in the Collection Account will be retained therein unless used to purchase Collateral Obligations during the Reinvestment Period (or, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Reinvestment Period) in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria, to honor commitments with respect thereto entered into during or after the Reinvestment Period, or used as otherwise permitted under the Indenture. See "—Eligibility Criteria."

The Trustee shall transfer to the Payment Account from the Collection Account for application pursuant to the Priority of Payments, no later than the Business Day preceding each Payment Date, the amount set forth to be so transferred in the Valuation Report for the Payment Date.

At any time during or after the Reinvestment Period, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to pay from amounts on deposit in the Collection Account on any Business Day during any Interest Period from Interest Proceeds only, any Administrative Expenses that require payment before the next Payment Date to the extent that the amount of the payments does not exceed the



aggregate amount that may be paid on the next payment Date under, and at the level of priority specified by, “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

*Custodial Account.* The Trustee will from time to time deposit collateral into the “**Custodial Account**,” over which the Trustee will have exclusive control and sole right of withdrawal, in accordance with the Indenture. All assets or securities at any time on deposit in or otherwise to the credit of the Custodial Account will be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Composite Securityholders (in respect of the Note Component only), the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager and each Hedge Counterparty.

*Revolving Reserve Account and Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account.* Upon the purchase of any Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee shall deposit Principal Proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account,” in the case of a Revolving Loan, and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account,” in the case of a Delayed Drawdown Loan, each equal to the unfunded commitment amount of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, respectively, and the Principal Proceeds so deposited shall be considered part of the Purchase Price of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan for purposes of the Indenture. At the direction of the Portfolio Manager at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period, the Trustee shall withdraw funds from the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to fund extensions of credit pursuant to Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans, respectively. In addition, to the extent that the Issuer receives proceeds of a repayment in respect of a Revolving Loan (except to the extent of any concurrent commitment reduction) at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period, the Trustee shall deposit the proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account.

Upon the sale of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan in whole or in part or the reduction in part or termination of the Issuer’s commitment thereunder, an amount on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, as the case may be, specified by the Portfolio Manager as being equal to (i) the unfunded amount of the commitment (in the case of a sale in whole or a termination of the commitment), (ii) the proportionate amount of the amount on deposit (in the case of a sale in part) or (iii) the amount by which the commitment is reduced (in the case of a reduction thereof in part), shall be transferred by the Trustee to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds.

Amounts on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account will be invested in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions) not later than the Business Day after the date of their purchase. All interest and other income from amounts in the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account under the Indenture shall be considered Interest Proceeds in the Due Period in which they are so deposited.

*Synthetic Security Collateral Account.* On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Synthetic Security the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the non-interest bearing trust account established for Synthetic Security Collateral (the “**Synthetic Security Collateral Account**”) with respect to the Synthetic Security. All Synthetic Security Collateral posted by any Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Synthetic Security shall be immediately deposited into the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Synthetic Security. On each day on which amounts are payable to the Issuer out of Synthetic Security Collateral, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to withdraw amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in an amount sufficient to make the payment (including any total or partial release of Synthetic Security Collateral). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be:

- (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty to the Issuer under a Synthetic Security if the Synthetic Security becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the Synthetic Security upon any “event of default”

under and as defined in the terms of the Synthetic Security, including liquidating the related Synthetic Security Collateral Account; or

- (ii) to return the Synthetic Security Collateral to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty when and as required by the terms of the Synthetic Security, in each case as directed by the Portfolio Manager.

Amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account will be invested in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities not later than one Business Day after their purchase, as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions), and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.* The Trustee will deposit all collateral received from a Hedge Counterparty under any Hedge Agreement into the “**Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.**” The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account will be (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer under a Hedge Agreement if the Hedge Agreement becomes subject to early termination or (ii) to return collateral to the relevant Hedge Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Hedge Agreement, in each case as directed by the Portfolio Manager. Amounts on deposit in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account will be invested in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Closing Date Expense Account.* Amounts deposited in the “**Closing Date Expense Account**” on the Closing Date will be withdrawn to pay certain administrative expenses of the Co-Issuers. On the Payment Date in February 2006 (or, at the discretion of the Portfolio Manager, on the Payment Date in November 2005), the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds and close the Closing Date Expense Account. Amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account shall be invested in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the second Payment Date as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Expense Reimbursement Account.* On any Payment Date and on any date between Payment Dates, the Trustee will apply amounts, if any, in the “**Expense Reimbursement Account**” to the payment of expenses and fees that must be paid between Payment Dates or that are due on that Payment Date under clause (1) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” and the Trustee shall on any Payment Date transfer to the Expense Reimbursement Account an amount equal to the excess, if any of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts due under clause (1) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” to the Expense Reimbursement Account in accordance with clause (2) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.” Amounts on deposit in the Expense Reimbursement Account shall be invested in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions), no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date.

*Securities Lending Account.* The Trustee will deposit all Securities Lending Collateral posted by any Securities Lending Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Securities Lending Agreement in a non-interest bearing trust account (the “**Securities Lending Account**”). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Securities Lending Account will be (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty to the Issuer under a Securities Lending Agreement if the Securities Lending Agreement becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the Securities Lending Agreement upon any “event of default” under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement, including liquidating the related Securities Lending Collateral or (ii) to return collateral to the Securities Lending Counterparty when and as required by a Securities Lending Agreement. Amounts on deposit in

the Securities Lending Account shall be invested in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions) no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the loaned security or asset that relates to the Securities Lending Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer.

*Payment Account.* The Trustee will deposit collateral into the “**Payment Account**,” over which the Trustee will have exclusive control and sole right of withdrawal, in accordance with the Indenture. All assets or securities at any time on deposit in or otherwise to the credit of the Payment Account will be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Composite Securityholders (in respect of the Note Component only), the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, and each Hedge Counterparty. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Payment Account shall be to pay amounts due and payable on the Notes and to pay Administrative Expenses and other amounts specified in the Indenture, each in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

*Interest Reserve Account.* Amounts deposited in the “**Interest Reserve Account**,” on the Closing Date will be withdrawn to pay amounts necessary such that the amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (13) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” will be paid in full on each Payment Date occurring on or before the Payment Date in February 2006. On the Payment Date in February 2006 (or, at the discretion of the Portfolio Manager, on the Payment Date in November 2005), the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds and close the Interest Reserve Account. Amounts on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account shall be invested in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions), no later than the Business Day before the second Payment Date.

*Synthetic Security Counterparty Account.* To the extent that any Synthetic Security requires the Issuer to secure its obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee and the Trustee shall establish a segregated non-interest bearing trust account (the “**Synthetic Security Counterparty Account**”) for the Synthetic Security which shall be held in trust for the benefit of the related Synthetic Security Counterparty and over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and the Indenture. In the alternative, a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account may be established with a trustee designated by the Synthetic Security Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that trustee would qualify to be a successor trustee under the Indenture and the account satisfies the other requirements of a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account under the Indenture.

As directed in writing by the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee shall deposit (or deliver for deposit) into each Synthetic Security Counterparty Account all amounts or securities that are required to secure the obligations of the Issuer in accordance with the related Synthetic Security, including the entire notional amount of any Synthetic Security in the form of a credit default swap or other similar transaction. The Portfolio Manager shall direct any such deposit only during the Reinvestment Period and only to the extent that monies are available for the purchase of Collateral Obligations pursuant to the Indenture. Any income received on amounts in the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall, after application in accordance with the relevant Synthetic Security, be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Interest Proceeds.

As directed by the Portfolio Manager in writing and in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and the Indenture, amounts on deposit in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be invested in Synthetic Security Collateral.

In connection with the occurrence of a credit event or an event of default or a termination event (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security) under the related Synthetic Security, amounts in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be withdrawn by the Trustee (or the Trustee shall request their withdrawal) and applied toward the payment of any amounts payable by the Issuer to the related

Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the Synthetic Security, as directed by the Portfolio Manager in writing. Any excess amounts held in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, or held directly by a Synthetic Security Counterparty, after payment of all amounts owing from the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the related Synthetic Security shall be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Principal Proceeds.

Amounts on deposit in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the Synthetic Security that relates to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer (with the notional amount as the Principal Balance unless a default exists under the applicable Synthetic Security).

### **Hedge Agreements**

At any time and from time to time after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, shall enter into the Hedge Agreements and will assign its rights (but none of its obligations) under the Hedge Agreements to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture and the collateral assignment of Hedge Agreements. The Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, will obtain the approval of each new Hedge Agreement from each Hedge Counterparty to a then-existing Hedge Agreement. The Trustee will, on behalf of the Issuer and in accordance with the Valuation Report, pay amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements on any Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Each Hedge Counterparty will be required to have (i) a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "Aa3" (which rating of "Aa3" is not on credit watch for a possible downgrade) or higher if the Hedge Counterparty has only a long-term rating; or a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "A1" (which rating of "A1" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) or higher and a debt rating by Moody's for short-term debt of "P-1" (which rating of "P-1" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) if the Hedge Counterparty has both long-term and short-term ratings and (ii) a short-term debt rating by S&P of not less than "A-1" or a long-term debt rating of not less than "A+" (the "**Required Rating**").

If at any time a Hedge Counterparty has:

- (A) no short-term Moody's rating and a long-term Moody's rating and that rating is below "Aa3" or is "Aa3" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's; or
- (B) both a short-term and long-term Moody's rating; and either:
  - (i) the long-term Moody's rating is below "A1" or that rating is "A1" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's, or
  - (ii) the short-term Moody's rating is below "P-1" or that rating is "P-1" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's;

then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within 30 days, either:

- (i) post collateral with the Trustee to secure the Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement, in an amount and of the type sufficient to cause the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's to be satisfied;
- (ii) obtain a guarantor whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the above criteria;

- (iii) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the above criteria; or
- (iv) take other actions to satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's.

If at any time the Hedge Counterparty has:

- (A) no short-term Moody's rating and a long-term Moody's rating that is "A2" or below or has been suspended or withdrawn;
- (B) both a short-term and long-term Moody's rating; and either:
  - (i) the long-term Moody's rating is "A3" or below or is suspended or withdrawn; or
  - (ii) the short-term Moody's rating is "P-2" or below; or
- (C) a short-term debt rating by S&P below "A-1" or, if the Hedge Counterparty has no short-term rating by S&P, a long-term rating by S&P below "A+" or that has been suspended or withdrawn;

then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within 30 days, either:

- (i) post collateral as required by the Hedge Agreement to secure the Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement in an amount and of the type sufficient to cause the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's and S&P to be satisfied; or
- (ii) (x) obtain a guarantor that has a Required Rating and that will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P with respect to its appointment; (y) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has a Required Rating and the appointment of which will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P; or (z) take such other actions to satisfy the Ratings Condition.

Whenever the Issuer enters into a Hedge Agreement, the Hedge Counterparty thereto shall comply with the then currently applicable rating criteria published by each Rating Agency from time to time.

Any payments required to be made under the Hedge Agreements shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments shall be subordinate to interest and principal payments on the Notes and any other payments required to be made by the Issuer under the Hedge Agreements, but senior distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Indenture.

Unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is otherwise satisfied, following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) the Issuer, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, shall promptly (but no later than 60 days after the early termination), at the expense of the Issuer and to the extent possible through Hedge Termination Receipts, enter into a replacement hedge, unless, in the exercise of the Portfolio Manager's commercially reasonable judgment, to do so would not be in the best interest of the Issuer and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to not entering into a replacement hedge. In addition, a replacement hedge may not be entered into unless the Issuer provides the Rating Agencies with at least seven Business Days' prior written notice of its intention to enter into a replacement hedge, together with its form and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the

replacement hedge. The Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than a termination resulting from the bankruptcy, insolvency, or similar event with respect to the Hedge Counterparty) to become effective simultaneously with its entering into a replacement hedge. To the extent that (i) the Portfolio Manager determines not to replace the Hedge Agreement and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the determination; or (ii) termination is occurring on a Redemption Date, the Hedge Termination Receipts shall become part of Principal Proceeds and be distributed in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the next following Payment Date (or on the Redemption Date, if the Notes are redeemed on the Redemption Date).

The notional amounts of the Hedge Agreements outstanding at any time may be reduced or increased from time to time, by the Issuer, and the Hedge Agreements may be amended, modified, or terminated in accordance with the Hedge Agreements if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the reduction, increase, amendment, modification, or termination, as the case may be.

Each Hedge Agreement may be terminated pursuant to its terms upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes or an acceleration of maturity of the Notes after an Event of Default. The Hedge Agreement will not be permitted to be terminated as the result of a Default or Event of Default unless any acceleration of maturity of the Notes resulting from the Event of Default is no longer permitted to be rescinded pursuant to the Indenture.

Except for Hedge Agreements entered into on or before the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied.

### **Securities Lending**

The Indenture permits the Issuer to engage in a limited number of securities lending transactions as described below.

The Portfolio Manager may instruct the Trustee to cause Collateral Obligations that are not Defaulted Collateral Obligations to be lent for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) having long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or guarantors with ratings of at least “A1” (and not “A1” but on credit watch with negative implications) and “P-1” (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody’s and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least “A” from S&P (each, a “**Securities Lending Counterparty**”) pursuant to one or more agreements (each, a “**Securities Lending Agreement**”); *provided* that Collateral Obligations the Market Value of which cannot be determined under clause (i), (ii) or (iii) of that definition may not be lent pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement. Upon receipt of an Issuer Order, the Trustee shall release any lent Collateral Obligations to a Securities Lending Counterparty as directed by the Portfolio Manager. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Placement Agents or Affiliates of the Portfolio Manager. The duration of any Securities Lending Agreement shall not exceed the Stated Maturity of the Notes. Collateral Obligations representing no more than 15% (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of the Maximum Investment Amount may be loaned pursuant to Securities Lending Agreements at any time.

Each Securities Lending Agreement shall be on market terms as determined by the Portfolio Manager (except to the extent specified in the Indenture) and shall:

- (i) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty return to the Issuer debt obligations that are identical (in terms of issue and class) to the lent Collateral Obligations;
- (ii) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty pay to the Issuer amounts equivalent to all interest and other payments that the owner of the lent Collateral Obligation is entitled to for the period during which the Collateral Obligation is lent and require that any such

payments not be subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the Securities Lending Counterparty is required under the Securities Lending Agreement to make “gross-up” payments to the Issuer that cover the full amount of the withholding tax on an after-tax basis;

- (iii) require that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency shall be satisfied with respect to the execution of the Securities Lending Agreement;
- (iv) satisfy any other requirements of Section 1058 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated under it;
- (v) be governed by the laws of New York;
- (vi) permit the Issuer to assign its rights under the Securities Lending Agreement to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture;
- (vii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Collateral Obligation becomes a Credit Risk Obligation or is subject to redemption in accordance with its terms;
- (viii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty upon any redemption of the Notes in whole;
- (ix) require the Securities Lending Counterparty to post with the Trustee collateral consisting of cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the Securities Lending Agreement to secure its obligation to return the Collateral Obligations or in the alternative post that collateral with a custodian for the benefit of the Issuer designated by the Securities Lending Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that custodian would qualify to be a successor trustee under the Indenture;
- (x) provide that the Securities Lending Collateral shall be maintained at all times in an amount equal to at least 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value (determined daily and monitored by the Portfolio Manager) of the lent Collateral Obligations and if securities are delivered to the Trustee as security for the obligations of the Securities Lending Counterparty under the related Securities Lending Agreement, the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer will negotiate with the Securities Lending Counterparty a rate for the loan fee to be paid to the Issuer for lending the lent Collateral Obligations;
- (xi) the lent Collateral Obligations shall be marked-to-market on a daily basis by the Portfolio Manager on the basis of their Market Value;
- (xii) the Collateral will include the Issuer’s rights under the related Securities Lending Agreement rather than the loaned Collateral Obligation;
- (xiii) provide for early termination within 10 days at the option of the Issuer and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Securities Lending Counterparty is no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty and the noncompliance is not cured as provided in the Indenture; and
- (xiv) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Securities Lending Counterparty) equivalent (mutatis mutandis) to those in the Indenture.

In addition, each Securities Lending Agreement must provide that if either Moody's or S&P downgrades a Securities Lending Counterparty such that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party are no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty, then the Issuer, within 10 days of the downgrade, shall (i) terminate its Securities Lending Agreements with the Securities Lending Counterparty unless a guarantor for the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements has been obtained; or (ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations lent to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty so that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party, together with all other Securities Lending Agreements, are in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of Securities Lending Counterparties; or (iii) take any other steps Moody's or S&P may require to cause the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party to be treated by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, as if the obligations were owed by a counterparty having a rating at least equivalent to the rating that was assigned by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty before its being downgraded.

The Portfolio Manager shall instruct the Trustee in writing with respect to the administration of any Securities Lending Agreement (including with respect to any default and the exercise of rights under it). The Trustee shall not have any responsibility for evaluating the sufficiency, validity, or acceptability of any Securities Lending Agreement or for the qualifications or eligibility of any Securities Lending Counterparty. Nothing in the Indenture shall be construed to cause the Trustee to have any fiduciary duties to any Securities Lending Counterparty.

So long as any Collateral Obligation is on loan pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement, (a) the Trustee shall have no liability for any failure or inability on its part to receive any information or take any action with respect to the Collateral Obligation because of its being on loan (including any failure to take action with respect to a notice of redemption, consent solicitation, exchange or tender offer, or similar corporate action) and (b) the loaned Collateral Obligations shall not be disqualified for return to the Trustee as a Collateral Obligation by any change in circumstance or status during the time while on loan (including any change that would cause the Collateral Obligation to be ineligible for purchase by the Issuer under the Indenture if applied to a proposed purchase of it in the open market at the time of its return from loan).

## **MATURITY AND PREPAYMENT CONSIDERATIONS**

The Stated Maturity of each Class of Notes (including the Note Components) will be the Payment Date in August 1, 2017 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date; *however*, the principal of each Class of the Notes (including the Note Components) is expected to be paid in full prior to its Stated Maturity (or Extended Stated Maturity Date, as applicable). Average life refers to the average amount of time that will elapse from the date of delivery of a security until each dollar of the principal of such security will be paid to the investor. The average lives of the Notes will be determined by the amount and frequency of principal payments, which are dependent upon, among other things, the amount of sinking fund payments and any other payments received at or in advance of the scheduled maturity of Collateral Obligations (whether through sale, maturity, redemption, default or other liquidation or disposition). The average lives of the Composite Securities will be dependent on the proceeds received on their Components.

The actual performance of the Securities will also be affected by the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral Obligations and the characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, including the interest rate or other rate of distribution, the actual default rate and actual losses sustained, the existence and frequency of exercise of any prepayment, optional redemption, or sinking fund features and any related premium, the prevailing level of interest rates, any sales of Collateral Obligations, and any unique risks of the Collateral Obligations. Any disposition of a Collateral Obligation may change the composition and characteristics of the portfolio of Collateral Obligations and their rate of payment, and, accordingly, may affect the actual performance of each respective Class of Securities. The ability of the



Issuer to reinvest any Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds in the manner described under “Security for the Notes” will also affect the performance of the Securities. Redemptions will also affect the performance of the Securities.

### **THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER**

*The information appearing in this section has been prepared by the Portfolio Manager and has not been independently verified by the Co-Issuers or the Placement Agents. Accordingly, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Co-Issuers and the Placement Agents do not assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or applicability of such information.*

#### **General**

Based in Dallas, Texas, Highland Capital is a registered investment adviser specializing in below investment grade credit and special situation investing. As of March 31, 2005, Highland Capital managed over \$15 billion in leveraged loans, high yield bonds, structured products and other assets for banks, insurance companies, pension plans, foundations, and high net worth individuals.

As of November 30, 2004, Highland Capital employed 43 investment professionals with over 800 credits owned and 900 credits followed. Portfolios as of November 30, 2004 include 15 structured investment vehicles (including 10 CLOs), 3 separate accounts and 5 hedge funds. Additionally, Highland Capital manages 6 closed-end registered investment companies listed on the NYSE.

#### *Investment Philosophy and Process*

Highland Capital’s investment philosophy is based on a belief that fundamental research and disciplined asset acquisition/disposition produces superior long-term results. Highland Capital’s investment approach seeks to generate superior performance with muted volatility. Highland Capital anticipates long-term secular trends and identifies those sectors and issues that it believes have the highest relative value characteristics. Highland Capital’s process and philosophy have been consistent over time.

Highland Capital has a large range and depth of experience. It has expertise in syndicated loans, high yield bonds, and distressed investments. Highland Capital believes it is in a position to arbitrage disparities in the historical spread relationship between various below investment grade asset classes. Highland Capital believes that, historically, the most inefficient asset classes have demonstrated the best risk/return characteristics.

Highland Capital has invested over \$200 million of firm capital in its funds, and expects that one of its Affiliates or funds will invest \$27,500,000 million aggregate Face Amount in the Preference Shares of the Issuer. Additionally, Highland Capital believes that it strives to minimize operating expenses and hires the brightest and most talented professionals, insisting on a high degree of dedication and integrity.

Highland Capital believes that its disciplined investment process minimizes a portfolio’s risk and that its strategy seeks to maximize current yield over capital appreciation while limiting downside risk. Portfolio managers actively follow each credit and several times each year the entire investment staff reviews all positions during multi-day monitoring meetings. Highland Capital diversifies its portfolios with set limits on exposure to any one given industry or issuer. Highland Capital believes that this philosophy and process has resulted in positive returns in 47 of the last 49 quarters on its underlying loan portfolio and consistent outperformance relative to its indices.

Highland Capital focuses on a “team” approach that it has used since the investment committee started in 1990. It is Highland Capital management’s belief that this style creates the optimum environment for the exchange of information and the development of all investment professionals. All aspects of the investment process are coordinated through the committee’s direct interaction. The investment committee meets every morning to discuss the market, investment strategy, and credits. In addition, the firm maintains an “informal” open door policy with regards to investment or personal issues.

The committee is composed of senior management and portfolio managers/analysts. Collectively, the committee utilizes an investment process which is driven by fundamental credit research. Each portfolio manager/analyst makes specific credit recommendations based upon industry coverage. The investment proposal is then brought to the investment committee for consideration. Based upon the consensus decision, the portfolio manager with the recommendation will direct Highland traders to execute the trade. Highland Capital has also provided its investment committee with a strong commitment to technology. The firm developed Wall Street Office® which is a proprietary software system that allows Highland Capital to model, portfolio manage, and trade syndicated loans. This software has been licensed to more than 70 financial institutions that invest in syndicated loans.

### **Professionals of the Portfolio Manager**

Set forth below is information regarding certain persons who are currently employed by the Portfolio Manager. Such persons may not necessarily continue to be so employed during the entire term of the Management Agreement.

#### **Senior Management**

##### **James Dondero, CFA, CPA, CMA – Managing Partner - President**

Mr. Dondero is a Founder and President of Highland Capital. Formerly, Mr. Dondero served as Chief Investment Officer of Protective Life's GIC subsidiary and helped grow the business from concept to over \$2 billion between 1989 to 1993. His portfolio management experience includes mortgage-backed securities, investment grade corporates, leveraged bank loans, emerging markets, derivatives, preferred stocks and common stocks. From 1985 to 1989, he managed approximately \$1 billion in fixed income funds for American Express. Prior to American Express, he completed the financial training at Morgan Guaranty Trust Company. Mr. Dondero is a Beta Gamma Sigma graduate of the University of Virginia, 1984 with degrees in Accounting and Finance. Mr. Dondero is a Certified Public Accountant, Chartered Financial Analyst and a Certified Management Accountant.

##### **Mark Okada, CFA – Managing Partner - Chief Investment Officer**

Mr. Okada is a Founder and Chief Investment Officer of Highland Capital. He is responsible for overseeing Highland Capital's investment activities for its various funds and has over 19 years of experience in the leveraged finance market. Formerly, Mr. Okada served as Manager of Fixed Income for Protective Life's GIC subsidiary from 1990 to 1993. He was primarily responsible for the bank loan portfolio and other risk assets. Protective was one of the first non-bank entrants into the syndicated loan market. From 1986 to 1990, he served as Vice President for Hibernia National Bank, managing over \$1 billion of high yield bank loans. Mr. Okada is an honors graduate of the University of California Los Angeles with degrees in Economics and Psychology. He completed his credit training at Mitsui and is a Chartered Financial Analyst. Mr. Okada is also Chairman of the Board of Directors of Common Grace Ministries Inc.

##### **Todd Travers, CFA – Head of Structured Products, Senior Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Travers is responsible for Highland Capital's CDO business and is the primary portfolio manager for Highland Capital's par debt funds. He is a member of the Credit Committee and heads a team that is responsible for structuring new transactions and implementing additional opportunities in Highland Capital's core businesses. Formerly, Mr. Travers served as Portfolio Manager/Portfolio Analyst from 1994 to 1998 for Highland Capital. In 1999, he was promoted to Senior Portfolio Manager and his duties were expanded beyond sector portfolio management to include the origination, structuring and issuance of new structured vehicles, including all structured vehicles since Highland Loan Funding V Ltd. and Restoration Funding Ltd. His prior responsibilities included managing a portion of Highland Capital's leveraged loan and high yield debt portfolios with an emphasis on technology and aviation transactions. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Travers was a Finance Manager at American Airlines. Mr. Travers is a graduate of Iowa State University with a BS in Industrial Engineering. He

received his MBA with an emphasis in Finance from Southern Methodist University. Mr. Travers is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

**Jack Yang – Head of Business Development**

Mr. Yang is responsible for new product development, fundraising, and investor relations, and heads the firm's New York Office. Prior to joining Highland Capital, he was Managing Director and Global Head of Leveraged Finance Products at Merrill Lynch. He joined Merrill Lynch in 1994 to establish the firm's syndicated loan activities and co-headed the firm's Global Leveraged Finance Division from 1999 to 2001. In addition to heading the syndicated loan activities of the firm, while at Merrill Lynch he had significant responsibility for establishing and managing the \$1.5 billion ML Bridge Loan Fund, the \$1.1 billion ML Mezzanine Fund, and the European Leveraged Finance Group. He was a senior member of the firm's Debt Markets Commitment Committee and Mezzanine Investment Committee. Prior to joining Merrill, he spent 11 years at Chemical Securities, Inc. and was a founding member of the Global Syndicated Finance Division. Mr. Yang is a member of the Board of Directors of The Loan Syndications and Trading Association, and is a member of the Public Relations Sub-Committee. He earned a BA from Cornell University and an MBA from Columbia University. He is a Registered Representative with Series 7, 63, and 24 licenses.

**Traders**

**Brad Borud – Senior Trader and Co-Director Portfolio Management**

Mr. Borud is a Senior Trader of leveraged loans and high yield bonds. Prior to his current duties, Mr. Borud served as a Portfolio Analyst for Highland Capital from 1996 to 1998. From 1998 to 2003, Mr. Borud was a Portfolio Manager covering a wide range of industries, including Wireline Telecommunications, Wireless Telecommunications, Telecommunication Equipment Manufacturers, Multi-channel Video, and Media. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Borud worked as a Global Finance Analyst in the Corporate Finance Group at NationsBank from 1995 to 1996 where he was involved in the originating, structuring, modeling, and credit analysis of leveraged transactions for large corporate accounts in the Southwest portion of the United States. During 1994, Mr. Borud also served at Conseco Capital Management as an Analyst Intern in the Fixed Income Research Department following the Transportation and Energy sectors. He has a BS in Business Finance from Indiana University.

**Paul Kauffman, CFA, CPA – Senior Trader and Co-Director of Portfolio Management**

Mr. Kauffman is a Senior Trader for loan and high yield credit products. He joined Highland Capital in 1998 as a Portfolio Analyst and was a Portfolio Manager prior to moving into his current role. At Highland Capital, Paul has followed a variety of industries, including Paper & Packaging, General Industrials, Metals, and the Automotive sector. Prior to Highland Capital, Mr. Kauffman spent four years in the public accounting industry, including two and a half years at KPMG Peat Marwick. At KPMG, Mr. Kauffman gained audit experience in a wide range of industries, with particular focus on the Energy and Cable industries. He was the Supervising Senior Accountant on one of the Dallas offices' largest clients. He received a BBA in Accounting from Baylor University and an MBA from Duke University. Mr. Kauffman is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

**Senior Portfolio Managers**

**Patrick H. Daugherty – Senior Distressed Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Daugherty is a Senior Portfolio Manager and General Counsel at Highland Capital. He is co-head of the Distressed Group where he is responsible for managing the sourcing, investing, and monitoring process. In addition, he serves as head manager of the Private Equity Group and is responsible for all portfolio companies. Prior to joining Highland Capital in early 1998, Mr. Daugherty served as Vice President in the Corporate Finance Group at NationsBanc Capital Markets, Inc. (now Bank

of America Capital Markets, Inc.) where he originated and structured leveraged transactions for a \$2.5 billion portfolio of mid-cap companies located in the Southwest. Prior to joining Bank of America, Mr. Daugherty was an Associate with the law firm of Baker, Brown, Sharman and Parker in Houston, Texas where he represented banks and financial institutions in the liquidation of various RTC portfolios. Mr. Daugherty has over 15 years of experience in distressed, high yield and corporate restructuring. He has been involved in over 100 bankruptcy situations and held steering committee positions in over 35 cases. Mr. Daugherty currently serves on the Board of Directors of Norse Merchant Group and its affiliates, Ferrimorac Holdings Limited, Nexpak Corporation and its affiliates (as Chairman), Moll Industries and its affiliates (as Chairman), and is a former board member of Mariner Health Care, Inc. He received a BBA in Finance from The University of Texas at Austin and a Juris Doctorate from The University of Houston School of Law. Mr. Daugherty's professional certifications include membership in the Texas Bar Association and admittance to the American Bar Association in 1992.

**John Morgan, CFA – Senior Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Morgan is a Senior Portfolio Manager covering the Retail, Food & Drug, and Restaurant & Lodging sectors. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Morgan served as Portfolio Analyst for Falcon Fund Management, LTD from August 1995-February 2000. There he created comparables to assess the attractiveness of companies within industries and across the portfolio. He assisted the portfolio manager in the security selection process and management of the portfolio. Prior to Falcon, he was an Analyst for a Convertible Arbitrage Fund at Q Investments. His primary responsibility included analyzing financial statements and related corporate disclosures and performing analysis on potential investment opportunities. He received both a BS in Biological Sciences and an MBA from Southern Methodist University.

**Kurtis S. Plumer, CFA – Senior Distressed Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Plumer is co-head of the Distressed Group at Highland Capital and is responsible for managing the sourcing and monitoring process. He has over 14 years of experience in distressed, high yield bond and leveraged loan products. Prior to joining Highland Capital in 1999, Mr. Plumer was a distressed high yield bond trader at Lehman Brothers in New York, where he managed a \$250 million portfolio invested in global distressed securities. While at Lehman, he also traded emerging market sovereign bonds. Prior to joining Lehman Brothers, Mr. Plumer was a corporate finance banker at NationsBanc Capital Markets, Inc. (now Bank of America Capital Markets, Inc.) where he focused on M&A and financing transactions for the bank's clients. Mr. Plumer earned a BBA in Economics and Finance from Baylor University and an MBA in Strategy and Finance from the Kellogg School at Northwestern University. Mr. Plumer is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

**Dansby White – Managing Director**

Mr. White is responsible for growing Highland Capital's structured finance and structured vehicles business. Prior to joining Highland Capital he was Managing Director and Head of Structured Finance in the Americas from June 2000 to September 2002 at Merrill Lynch. In this capacity, Mr. White was responsible for managing the Asset Backed Commercial Paper, Asset Backed Securities, Collateralized Debt Obligation and CMBS businesses. From March 1999 until June 2000 Mr. White was the Head of Merrill's Global CDO Group. Prior to joining Merrill Lynch Mr. White was a Principal in the Structured Finance Group at BT Alex Brown focusing on the CDO business. In the early 1980s, Mr. White worked in various capacities at GATX Leasing Corporation. Prior to joining BT Alex Brown, Mr. White spent eight years practicing general corporate law at Cahill Gordon and Reindel and White & Case. Mr. White holds a BA in Economics from Northwestern University, an MBA from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University and a JD from Rutgers University School of Law in Newark where Mr. White was selected for the Law Review. After graduating from Law School, Mr. White served as Law Clerk to the Hon. Robert N. Wilentz, Chief Justice of the New Jersey Supreme Court for one year.

**David Walls, CFA – Senior Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Walls is a Senior Portfolio Manager with oversight of the Cable, Wireless/Wireline Telecom, Satellite, Aerospace/Defense and Equipment Rental sectors. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Walls worked for Lend Lease Real Estate Investments as an Associate in their Asset Management unit underwriting and structuring acquisitions of bulk portfolios of distressed Korean real estate and corporate debt. Before his international responsibilities at Lend Lease, Mr. Walls performed loan workouts on a domestic portfolio of sub- and non-performing real estate secured assets. Prior to Lend Lease, Mr. Walls worked at U.S. Trust Company of California as an Assistant Vice President, Junior Portfolio Manager in their Fixed Income Portfolio Management group and for Capital Research & Management Company as a fixed income trader. He holds a BA in Economics from Northwestern University and an MBA in Finance and Marketing from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University. Mr. Walls is a member of AIMR and DAIA. Mr. Walls is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

**Joe Dougherty, CFA, CPA – Senior Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Dougherty is a Senior Portfolio Manager. Additionally, Mr. Dougherty heads Highland Capital's retail funds business unit ("Highland Funds") and serves as Senior Vice President and Director of the Firm's two NYSE-listed bond funds, which invest in both investment grade and high yield debt. Additionally, Mr. Dougherty serves as Senior Vice President and Director of the Firm's two 1940 Act Registered floating rate funds, which primarily invest in senior secured floating rate loans. In this capacity, Mr. Dougherty oversees investment decisions for the retail funds, alongside several other Portfolio Managers, and manages the team dedicated to their day-to-day administration. Prior to his current duties, Mr. Dougherty served as Portfolio Analyst for Highland from 1998 to 1999. As a Portfolio Analyst, Mr. Dougherty also helped follow companies within the Chemical, Retail, Supermarket and Restaurant sectors. Prior to joining Highland, Mr. Dougherty served as an Investment Analyst with Sandera Capital Management from 1997 to 1998. Formerly, he was a Business Development Manager at Akzo Nobel from 1994 to 1996 and a Senior Accountant at Deloitte & Touche, LLP from 1992 to 1994. He received a BS in Accounting from Villanova University and an MBA from Southern Methodist University. Mr. Dougherty is a Chartered Financial Analyst and a Certified Public Accountant.

See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Portfolio Manager—The Issuer Will Depend on the Managerial Expertise Available to the Portfolio Manager and Its Key Personnel."

**THE MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Management Agreement. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the Management Agreement.

Pursuant to the terms of the Management Agreement, and in accordance with the requirements set forth in the Indenture, the Portfolio Manager will select the portfolio of Collateral Obligations and will instruct the Trustee with respect to any acquisition, disposition or sale of a Collateral Obligation and an Eligible Investment. Neither the Placement Agents or any Affiliate thereof will select any of the Collateral Obligations.

Pursuant to the terms of the Management Agreement, the Portfolio Manager will monitor the Collateral Obligations and provide the Issuer with certain information received from the Collateral Administrator with respect to the composition and characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, any disposition or tender of a Collateral Obligation, the reinvestment of the proceeds of any such disposition in Eligible Investments and with respect to the retention of the proceeds of any such disposition or the application thereof toward the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations. The Portfolio Manager will, and will be authorized to, negotiate, on behalf of the Issuer, with respect to all actions to be taken by the Issuer under any Hedge Agreements.

As compensation for the performance of its obligations as Portfolio Manager, the Portfolio Manager will be entitled to receive:

- (i) a fee (the “**Senior Management Fee**”) that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Portfolio Manager in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.30% per annum of the Maximum Investment Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments (with the Senior Management Fee being calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months);
- (ii) an amount (the “**Subordinated Management Fee**”) payable on each Payment Date equal to the sum of (a) a fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Portfolio Manager in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.25% per annum of the Maximum Investment Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments, (b) on any Payment Date that any part of the Senior Management Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period *plus* 3.00% per annum and (c) on any Payment Date that any part of the Subordinated Management Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period *plus* 3.00% per annum (with the portion of the Subordinated Management Fee or Senior Management Fee, as applicable, in clauses (a) through (c) above, as applicable, being calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months); and
- (iii) a fee (the “**Incentive Management Fee**” and together with the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee, the “**Management Fee**”), if any, payable on each Payment Date to the Portfolio Manager in an amount equal to: (i) 20% of the remaining Interest Proceeds, if any, available after making the distributions on such Payment Date pursuant to clause (19) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” and (ii) 20% of the remaining Principal Proceeds, if any, available for payment in respect of the Incentive Management Fee pursuant to clause (8)(A) and, if applicable, clause (11), in each case pursuant to “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

The Portfolio Manager may, in its sole discretion: (i) waive all or any portion of the Management Fee, any funds representing the waived Management Fees to be retained in the Collection Account for distribution as either Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds (as determined by the Portfolio Manager) pursuant to the Priority of Payments; or (ii) defer all or any portion of the Management Fee, any funds representing the deferred Management Fees to be retained in the Collection Account, when they will become payable in the same manner and priority as their original characterization would have required unless deferred again.

The Portfolio Manager, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, and its Affiliates and their directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, shall not be liable to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Preference Shares or any other person for any losses, claims, damages, judgments, assessments, costs or other liabilities (collectively “**Liabilities**”) incurred by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Preference Shares or any other person that arise out of or in connection with the performance by the Portfolio Manager of its duties under the Management Agreement and the Indenture, except by reason of (i) acts or omissions constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, gross negligence or breach of fiduciary duty in the performance, or reckless disregard, of the obligations of the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement and under the terms of the Indenture applicable to it or (ii) with respect to any information included in this Offering Memorandum in the sections entitled “The Portfolio Manager” and “Certain Conflicts of Interest—Conflicts of Interest Involving the Portfolio Manager” that contains any untrue statement of material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (the preceding

clauses (i) and (ii) collectively being the “**Portfolio Manager Breaches**”). The Portfolio Manager will be liable for any non-waivable breaches of applicable securities laws.

The Issuer will indemnify and hold harmless the Portfolio Manager, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees (such parties collectively in such case, the “**Indemnified Parties**”) from and against any and all Liabilities, and shall reimburse each such Indemnified Party for all reasonable fees and expenses (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) (collectively, the “**Expenses**”) as such Expenses are incurred in investigating, preparing, pursuing or defending any claim, action, proceeding or investigation with respect to any pending or threatened litigation (collectively, the “**Actions**”), caused by, or arising out of or in connection with, the issuance of the Securities, the transactions contemplated by the Offering Memorandum, the Indenture or the Management Agreement, and/or any action taken by, or any failure to act by, such Indemnified Party; *provided, however*, that no Indemnified Party shall be indemnified for any Liabilities or Expenses it incurs as a result of any acts or omissions by any Indemnified Party constituting Portfolio Manager Breaches. Any such indemnification by the Issuer will be paid in accordance with, and subject to, the Priority of Payments.

Pursuant to the terms of the Management Agreement, the Portfolio Manager will agree that on the Closing Date the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates will purchase Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to \$27,500,000.

The Management Agreement may not be amended (i) without the consent of the Holders of Notes or Preference Shares that would be sufficient to meet the consent requirements for such an amendment if it were made to the Indenture and (ii) without satisfying the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency.

The Management Agreement provides that the Portfolio Manager will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Portfolio Manager such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Portfolio Manager, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm’s length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the Investment Adviser’s Act of 1940. The Management Agreement also provides that the Portfolio Manager will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Portfolio Manager serves as investment advisor, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Portfolio Manager serves as investment advisor unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Portfolio Manager, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm’s length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Investment Adviser’s Act of 1940.

Subject to the provisions for a successor portfolio manager discussed below, the Portfolio Manager may resign, upon 90 days’ written notice to the Issuer (or such shorter notice as is acceptable to the Issuer).

The Management Agreement provides that the Portfolio Manager may be removed without cause upon 90 days’ prior written notice by the Issuer, at the direction of the Holders of a Super Majority of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Preference Shares (excluding Preference Shares held by the Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates or any account for which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority at the time of such vote); *provided, however*, that the Portfolio Manager shall have the right to avoid any such removal if, on or prior to the proposed removal date the following conditions are satisfied: (i) the Portfolio Manager provides written notice, not less than 20 Business Days prior to the proposed removal date, to the Holders of the Composite Securities, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Preference Shares), the Issuer and the Trustee that the Portfolio Manager intends to purchase not less than all of the Preference Shares voting for such removal from the Holders thereof (the “**Directing Preference Shares**”), (ii) in the notice provided to the Holders of Composite

Securities and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Preference Shares) in the preceding clause (i), the Portfolio Manager includes a statement to the effect that each Holder of Preference Shares (including each Holder of a Composite Security in respect of the Preference Share Components) who did not vote for removal may provide written notice to the Portfolio Manager not later than 5 Business Days prior to the proposed removal date that the Preference Shares or Preference Share Components, as applicable, held by such Holder shall be deemed to be included in the Directing Preference Shares as provided in the preceding clause (i) and (iii) the Portfolio Manager effects the purchase of not less than all of the Directing Preference Shares and all of the Composite Securities relating to the Preference Share Components which form of a part of the Directing Preference Shares at the Buy-out Amount. If all of the conditions set forth in the preceding sentence are satisfied on or prior to the proposed removal date, the Portfolio Manager shall continue as the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement.

In addition, the Management Agreement will be terminated, and the Portfolio Manager will be removed, by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee or a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or by a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates), in each case for “cause” upon 10 days’ prior written notice to the Portfolio Manager and upon written notice to the Noteholders and the Holders of the Preference Shares as set forth below. For purposes of determining “cause” with respect to any such termination of the Management Agreement, such term shall mean any one of the following events:

(i) the Portfolio Manager willfully breaches in any respect, or takes any action that it knows violates in any respect, any provision of the Management Agreement or any terms of the Indenture applicable to it;

(ii) the Portfolio Manager breaches in any material respect any provision of the Management Agreement or any terms of the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement applicable to it, or any representation, warranty, certification or statement given in writing by the Portfolio Manager shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or given, and the Portfolio Manager fails to cure such breach or take such action so that the facts (after giving effect to such action) conform in all material respects to such representation, warranty, certificate or statement, in each case within 30 days of becoming aware of, or receiving notice from, the Trustee of, such breach or materially incorrect representation, warranty, certificate or statement;

(iii) certain events of bankruptcy or insolvency occur with respect to the Portfolio;

(iv) the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture that results from any breach by the Portfolio Manager of its duties under the Indenture or the Management Agreement, which breach or default is not cured within any applicable cure period;

(v) (x) the occurrence of an act by the Portfolio Manager related to its activities in any securities, financial advisory or other investment business that constitutes fraud, (y) the Portfolio Manager being indicted, or any of its principals being convicted, of a felony criminal offense related to its activities in any securities, financial advisory or other investment business or (z) the Portfolio Manager being indicted for, adjudged liable in a civil suit for, or convicted of a violation of the Securities Act or any other United States Federal securities law or any rules or regulations thereunder; or

(vi) a Change of Control shall occur with respect to the Portfolio Manager.

For purposes of clause (vi) above: (i) “**Change of Control**” means that two or more of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers (or any Approved Replacement therefor) shall fail to be a partner, director, officer or management-level employee of Highland Capital and (ii) “**Approved Replacement**” means an individual who shall (x) be proposed by Highland Capital to replace James Dondero, Mark Okada or Todd Travers (or a prior Approved Replacement therefor) within 30 days after



James Dondero, Mark Okada or Todd Travers (or a prior Approved Replacement therefor) fails to be a partner, director, officer or management-level employee of Highland Capital or, following any objection pursuant to the following clause (y) to the first proposed replacement, within 30 days after such objection and (y) not have been objected to by either (A) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or (B) a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by Highland Capital or any of its Affiliates), within 30 days after written notice of such Approved Replacement has been given by the Portfolio Manager to the Controlling Class of Notes and the Holders of Preference Shares.

No removal, termination or resignation of the Portfolio Manager will be effective under the Management Agreement unless (i) at the written direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer appoints a successor Portfolio Manager and such Portfolio Manager that has agreed in writing to assume all of the Portfolio Manager's duties and obligations pursuant to the Management Agreement and the Indenture and (ii) the successor Portfolio Manager is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single Class (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates)); provided that if a Majority of the Preference Shares has nominated two or more successor Portfolio Managers that have been objected to pursuant to clause (ii) of the preceding sentence or has otherwise failed to appoint a successor Portfolio Manager that is not objected to pursuant to clause (ii) of the preceding sentence within 60 days of the date of notice of such removal, termination or resignation of the Portfolio Manager, then any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes or the Trustee may petition a court of competent authority to appoint a successor Portfolio Manager. In addition, any successor Portfolio Manager must be an established institution which (i) has demonstrated an ability to professionally and competently perform duties similar to those imposed upon the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement, (ii) is legally qualified and has the capacity to act as Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement, as successor to the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement in the assumption of all of the responsibilities, duties and obligations of the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement and under the applicable terms of the Indenture, (iii) shall not cause the Issuer or the pool of Collateral to become required to register under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, (iv) shall perform its duties as Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement and the Indenture without causing the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Holder of Preference Shares to become subject to tax in any jurisdiction where such successor Portfolio Manager is established as doing business and (v) each Rating Agency has confirmed that the appointment of such successor Portfolio Manager shall not cause its then-current rating of any Class of Notes or Composite Securities to be reduced or withdrawn. No compensation payable to a successor from payments on the Collateral shall be greater than that paid to the Portfolio Manager without the prior written consent of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes, a Majority of the Notes and a Majority of the Preference Shares.

The Management Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement, cannot be delegated by the Portfolio Manager, in whole or in part, except to any entity that is both (i) controlled by all or any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers and (ii) one in which all of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers (or any Approved Replacement thereof) is involved in the day to day management and operations (and in any such case pursuant to an instrument of delegation in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer), without the prior written consent of the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes and a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding Preference Shares held by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates), and, notwithstanding any such consent, no delegation of obligations or duties by the Portfolio Manager (including, without limitation, to an entity described above) shall relieve the Portfolio Manager from any liability under the Management Agreement.

## **THE CO-ISSUERS**

### **General**

The Issuer was incorporated as an exempted limited liability company on March 9, 2005 in the Cayman Islands under registration number 146076. The registered office of the Issuer is at the offices of Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited, P.O. Box 1234, Queensgate House, George Town, Grand

Cayman, Cayman Islands. The Issuer has no prior operating experience (other than in connection with the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations during the Accumulation Period) and will not have any material assets other than (i) the Collateral pledged to secure the Secured Obligations, and (ii) \$500 (of which \$250 represents the Issuer's ordinary share capital and \$250 represents a fee for issuing the Securities).

The Co-Issuer was incorporated on March 16, 2005 in the State of Delaware under registration number 3940616 as a corporation and has a perpetual existence. The registered office of the Co-Issuer is at c/o National Corporate Research, Ltd., 615 South DuPont Highway, Dover Delaware, 19901. The Co-Issuer has no prior operating history and will not have any material assets. The Issuer will be the sole member of the Co-Issuer.

The Notes are limited recourse obligations of the Co-Issuers, the Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Component) are limited recourse obligations of the Issuer and the Preference Shares are equity interests only in the Issuer. The Securities are not obligations of the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agents, the Administrator, the Holders of the Preference Shares, Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited, as the share trustee (in such capacity, the "**Share Trustee**"), or any directors or officers of the Co-Issuers or any of their respective Affiliates.

At the Closing Date, the authorized and issued share capital of the Issuer consists of 250 ordinary shares, U.S.\$1.00 par value per share (the "**Issuer Ordinary Shares**") and 70,000 Preference Shares, U.S.\$0.01 par value per share, 100% of which will be issued on or about the Closing Date. The authorized common stock of the Co-Issuer consists of 1000 shares of common stock, U.S.\$0.01 par value (the "**Co-Issuer Common Stock**"), all of which shares will be issued on or about the Closing Date. All of the outstanding Issuer Ordinary Shares and all of the Co-Issuer Common Stock will be held by the Share Trustee. For so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding, no transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares or Co-Issuer Common Stock to a U.S. Person shall be registered.

## Capitalization

The initial proposed capitalization of the Issuer as of the Closing Date after giving effect to the initial issuance of the Securities and the Issuer Ordinary Shares (before deducting expenses of the offering) is as set forth below.

	<u>Amount (U.S.\$)</u>
Class A Notes.....	521,500,000
Class B Notes.....	35,000,000
Class C Notes <sup>1</sup> .....	35,000,000
Class D-1 Notes.....	33,500,000
Class D-2 Notes <sup>2</sup> .....	5,000,000
Total Notes.....	630,000,000
Class 1 Composite Securities.....	10,000,000 <sup>3</sup>
Class 2 Composite Securities.....	5,000,000 <sup>4</sup>
Preference Shares <sup>5</sup> .....	70,000,000 <sup>6</sup>
Issuer Ordinary Shares.....	250
Total Equity.....	70,000,250
Total Capitalization.....	700,000,250 <sup>7</sup>

- 1 The initial principal amount of the Class C Notes includes the Class C Component of the Class 2 Composite Securities.
- 2 The initial principal amount of the Class D-2 Notes includes the Class D-2 Component of the Class 1 Composite Securities.
- 3 The capitalization relating to the Class 1 Composite Securities consisting of the Class D-2 Component and Preference Share Component is also included in the initial aggregate principal amount of the Class D-2 Notes and the initial aggregate Face Amount of the Preference Shares,

but such amounts are not separately included in the calculation of Total Capitalization of the Issuer.

- 4 The capitalization relating to the Class 2 Composite Securities consisting of the Class C Component and the Preference Share Component is also included in the initial aggregate principal amount of the Class C Notes and the initial aggregate Face Amount of the Preference Shares, but such amounts are not separately included in the calculation of Total Capitalization of the Issuer.
- 5 The initial principal amount of the Preference Shares includes the Preference Share Components of the Composite Securities.
- 6 Including the portion of the Preference Shares represented by Preference Share Components of the Class 1 Composite Securities and the Class 2 Composite Securities.
- 7 Does not total because the Total Capitalization has excluded the capitalization relating to the \$6,000,000 aggregate Face Amount of the Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Components and \$9,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Notes underlying the Note Components.

The Co-Issuer will be capitalized only to the extent of its common equity of U.S.\$10, will have no assets other than its equity capital and will have no debt other than as Co-Issuer of the Notes.

## **Business**

### *General*

The Issuer Charter provides that the objects for which the Issuer is established are limited and the Issuer may exercise the power contained in Section 226 of the Companies Law (2004 Revision). Article III of the Co-Issuer's Certificate of Incorporation provides that the principal purpose of the Co-Issuer is the issuance of the Notes and to engage in any activity and to exercise any powers permitted to corporations organized under Delaware Law, which are incidental to, or connected with, the foregoing and necessary, suitable or convenient to accomplish the foregoing.

### *The Issuer*

The Indenture provides that the activities of the Issuer are limited to the following:

- (i) acquisition and disposition of, and investment and reinvestment in, Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments;
- (ii) entering into, and performing its obligations under, the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents, any Hedge Agreements, the Securities Lending Agreements, the Management Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Administration Agreement and the Purchase Agreement;
- (iii) the issuance and sale of the Securities and the Issuer Ordinary Shares;
- (iv) the pledge of the Collateral as security for its obligations in respect of the Notes and any Hedge Agreements;
- (v) entering into certain pre-closing warehousing arrangements and the agreements relating thereto; and
- (vi) undertaking certain other activities incidental to the foregoing.

### *The Co-Issuer*

The activities of the Co-Issuer are to be limited to the following:

- (i) the co-issuance and sale of the Notes; and

- (iii) to engage in any activity and to exercise any powers permitted to corporations organized under Delaware Law, which are incidental to, or connected with, the foregoing and necessary, suitable or convenient to accomplish the foregoing.

### **Administration**

Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited (in such capacity, the “**Administrator**”), a Cayman Islands company, will act as the administrator of the Issuer, the Share Registrar and the Share Trustee. The office of the Administrator will serve as the principal office of the Issuer. Through this office and pursuant to the terms of an agreement by and between the Administrator and the Issuer (as amended, supplemented and modified from time to time) (the “**Administration Agreement**”), the Administrator will perform various management functions on behalf of the Issuer, including the provision of certain clerical, administrative and other services including acting as Share Registrar until termination of the Administration Agreement. In consideration of the foregoing, the Administrator will receive various fees and reimbursement of its expenses.

The activities of the Administrator under the Administration Agreement will be subject to the overview of the Issuer’s Board of Directors. The Administration Agreement may be terminated by the Issuer upon 14 days’ written notice following the happening of certain events or upon 90 days’ written notice in all other cases. Upon the earlier of the termination of the Administration Agreement or the dissolution of the Issuer, the Administrator shall cease to serve in such capacity.

The Administrator’s principal office is at P.O. Box 1234, Queensgate House, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands.

### **Directors**

The Issuer will have three directors, each of whom is an employee or officer of the Administrator or an Affiliate of the Administrator.

The Directors of the Issuer are David Sargison, Andrew Eastabrook and Vijayabalan Murugesu.

The Directors of the Issuer serve as directors of, and provide services to, other special purpose entities that issue collateralized obligations and perform other duties for the Administrator. They may be contacted at the address of the Administrator.

The director of the Co-Issuer is Donald Puglisi. Mr. Puglisi is also the President, Secretary and Treasurer of the Co-Issuer. Mr. Puglisi is a Professor of Finance at the University of Delaware. Mr. Puglisi serves as a director of, and provides services to, a number of special purpose entities. He may be contacted at the address of the Co-Issuer.

## **THE LOAN MARKET**

A substantial portion, by principal amount, of the Collateral Obligations is expected to consist of corporate loans rated below investment grade extended to U.S. and other non-U.S. borrowers. Such loans are typically negotiated by one or more commercial banks or other financial institutions and syndicated among a group of commercial banks and financial institutions.

Corporate loans are typically at the most senior level of the capital structure, and are often secured by specific collateral, including but not limited to, trademarks, patents, accounts receivable, inventory, equipment, buildings, real estate, franchises and common and preferred stock of the obligor and its subsidiaries. Some loans may be unsecured, subordinated to other obligations of the obligor and may have greater credit and liquidity risk than is typically associated with senior secured corporate loans. The corporate loans expected to secure the Notes are of a type generally incurred by the borrowers thereunder in connection with a highly leveraged transaction, often to finance internal growth, acquisitions, mergers, stock purchases, or for other reasons. As a result of the additional debt incurred by

the borrower in the course of the transactions, the borrower's creditworthiness is often judged by the rating agencies to be below investment grade. In order to induce the banks and institutional investors to invest in a borrower's loan facility, and to offer a favorable interest rate, the borrower often provides the banks and institutional investors with extensive information about its business, which is not generally available to the public. Because of the provision of confidential information, the unique and customized nature of a loan agreement, and the private syndication of the loan, loans are not as easily purchased or sold as a publicly traded security, and historically the trading volume in the loan market has been small relative to the high yield bond market.

Corporate loans often provide for restrictive covenants designed to limit the activities of the borrower in an effort to protect the right of lenders to receive timely payments of interest on and repayment of principal of the loans. Such covenants may include restrictions on dividend payments, specific mandatory minimum financial ratios, limits on total debt and other financial tests. A breach of covenant (after giving effect to any cure period) in a loan that is not waived by the lending syndicate normally is an event of acceleration that allows the syndicate to demand immediate repayment in full of the outstanding loan. Loans usually have shorter terms than more junior obligations and may require mandatory prepayments from excess cash flow, asset dispositions and offerings of debt and/or equity securities.

The majority of loans bear interest based on a floating rate index, e.g., LIBOR, the certificate of deposit rate, a prime or base rate (each as defined in the applicable loan agreement) or other index, which may reset daily (as most prime or base rate indices do) or offer the borrower a choice of one, two, three, six, nine or twelve month interest rate and rate reset periods. The purchaser of a loan may receive certain syndication or participation fees in connection with its purchase. Other fees payable in respect of a loan, which are separate from interest payments on such loan, may include facility, commitment, amendment and prepayment fees.

Purchases of loans are predominantly investment and commercial banks, which have applied their experience in high yield securities to the commercial and industrial loan market, acting as both principal and broker. The range of investors for loans has broadened to include money managers, insurance companies, arbitrageurs, bankruptcy investors and mutual funds seeking increased potential total returns and portfolio managers of trusts or special purpose companies issuing collateralized bond and loan obligations. As secondary market trading volumes increase, new loans are frequently adopting more standardized documentation to facilitate loan trading that should improve market liquidity. There can be no assurance, however, that future levels or supply and demand in loan trading will provide the degree of liquidity that currently exists in the market.

### **THE HIGH YIELD DEBT SECURITIES MARKET**

A portion of the Collateral Obligations securing the Notes will consist of high yield debt securities rated below investment grade and Synthetic Securities, the Reference Obligations of which are high yield debt securities rated below investment grade. High yield debt securities are generally unsecured, may be subordinated to other obligations of the obligor and generally have greater credit and liquidity risk than is typically associated with investment grade corporate obligations. The lower rating of high yield debt securities reflects a greater possibility that adverse changes in the financial condition of the obligor or in general economic conditions (including a sustained period of rising interest rates or an economic downturn) may adversely affect the obligor's ability to pay principal and interest on its debt. Many issuers of high yield debt obligations are highly leveraged, and specific developments affecting such issuers, including reduced cash flow from operations or inability to refinance at maturity, may also adversely affect such issuers' ability to meet their debt service obligations.

High yield debt securities are often issued in connection with leveraged acquisitions or recapitalizations in which the issuers incur a substantially higher amount of indebtedness than the level at which they had previously operated. High yield debt securities have historically experienced greater default rates than has been the case for investment grade securities. Although several studies have been made of historical default rates in the high yield market, such studies do not necessarily provide a basis

for drawing definitive conclusions with respect to default rates and, in any event, do not necessarily provide a basis for predicting future default rates.

## **MATERIAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS**

### **General**

The following summary describes the principal U.S. federal income tax and Cayman Islands tax consequences that are expected to be applicable to the purchase, ownership and disposition of the Securities, but does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all the tax considerations that may be relevant to a decision to purchase the Securities. In particular, special tax considerations that may apply to certain types of taxpayers, including, without limitation, securities dealers, banks, financial institutions, partnerships, insurance companies, purchasers of Securities who did not acquire the Securities at the offering prices stated on the front cover hereof, and subsequent purchasers of the Securities, are not addressed. In addition, this summary does not describe any tax consequences arising under the laws of any state, locality or taxing jurisdiction other than the U.S. federal government and the Cayman Islands. In general, the summary assumes that a holder acquires a Security at original issuance and holds such Security as a capital asset and not as part of a hedge, straddle, or conversion transaction, within the meaning of section 1258 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “**Code**”).

This summary is based on the U.S. and Cayman Islands tax laws, regulations, rulings and decisions in effect on the date of this Offering Memorandum. All of the foregoing are subject to change, which change may apply retroactively and could affect the continued validity of this summary.

Prospective purchasers of the Securities should note that no ruling from the Internal Revenue Service (the “**IRS**”) will be sought with respect to any tax matters discussed herein, and there can be no assurance that the IRS will agree with such statement and conclusions. Prospective purchasers of the Securities should consult their tax advisors as to U.S. federal income tax and Cayman Islands tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of the Securities and the possible application of state, local, foreign or other tax laws.

As used in this section, “Material Income Tax Considerations,” the term “**U.S. Holder**” means a beneficial owner of a Note who is a citizen or individual resident of the United States, a corporation (or any other entity treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes) created or organized in or under the laws of the United States, or an estate or trust (other than a “foreign estate” or a “foreign trust,” each as defined in the Code).

If a partnership (including any entity treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes) is a beneficial owner of the Securities, the U.S. federal income tax treatment of a partner in the partnership will generally depend on the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership.

**TO COMPLY WITH TREASURY DEPARTMENT CIRCULAR 230, YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT: (A) ANY DISCUSSION OF FEDERAL TAX ISSUES IN THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS NOT INTENDED OR WRITTEN TO BE USED, AND CANNOT BE USED BY YOU, FOR THE PURPOSE OF AVOIDING PENALTIES THAT MAY BE IMPOSED ON YOU UNDER THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE; (B) ANY SUCH DISCUSSION IS INCLUDED HEREIN BY THE ISSUERS IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROMOTION OR MARKETING (WITHIN THE MEANING OF CIRCULAR 230) BY THE ISSUERS OF THE TRANSACTIONS OR MATTERS ADDRESSED HEREIN; AND (C) YOU SHOULD SEEK ADVICE BASED ON YOUR PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCES FROM AN INDEPENDENT TAX ADVISOR.**

### **U.S. Federal Income Taxation of the Issuer**

*U.S. Federal Income Tax.* The Issuer will be treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Section 864(b)(2) of the Code provides a specific exemption from U.S. federal income tax to

non-U.S. corporations which either (i) trade stocks or securities through a resident broker, commission agent, custodian or other independent agent or (ii) restrict their activities in the United States to trading in stocks and securities (and any other activity closely related thereto) for their own account, whether such trading (or such other activity) is by the corporation or its employees or through a resident broker, commission agent, custodian or other agent. This particular exemption described in clause (ii) above does not apply to foreign corporations that are dealers in stocks and securities. Moreover, the Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service recently announced that they are considering taxpayer requests for specific guidance on, among other things, whether a foreign person may be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States by virtue of entering into credit default swaps. However, the Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service have not yet provided any guidance on whether they believe entering into credit default swaps may cause a foreign person to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States and if so, what facts and circumstances must be present for this conclusion to apply. If any future guidance concludes that foreign persons entering into certain credit default swaps will be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States, such guidance may adversely impact the Issuer.

Prior to the issuance of the Securities, the Issuer will receive an opinion from Latham & Watkins LLP (“**Tax Counsel**”) based, in part, on the exemption described in the preceding paragraph to the effect that, although no activity closely comparable to that contemplated by the Issuer has been the subject of any Treasury regulation, revenue ruling or judicial decision and the matter is not free from doubt, assuming compliance with the Issuer’s Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Indenture, the Management Agreement, and other related documents (collectively, the “**Documents**”) by all parties thereto, the Issuer’s permitted activities will not cause it to be treated as engaged in the conduct of a U.S. trade or business under the Code and, consequently, the Issuer’s profits will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis (including, without limitation, the branch profits tax imposed by section 884 of the Code). Investors should note that gain or loss on a disposition by a foreign corporation of a United States real property interest may be taxed as if such foreign corporation were engaged in a U.S. trade or business. Because the determination of whether an asset constitutes a United States real property interest is made periodically, although the Issuer is prohibited from acquiring an asset that constitutes a United States real property interest, it is possible that an asset that was not a United States real property interest at the time such asset was acquired by the Issuer will become a United States real property interest after the asset is acquired. Because the Issuer may be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business solely with respect to such gain or loss, Tax Counsel’s opinion will not address the taxation of the Issuer with respect to such disposition. In addition, in interpreting and complying with the Documents, the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager are entitled to rely upon the advice and/or opinions of their selected counsel, and the opinion of Tax Counsel will assume that any such advice and/or opinions, other than advice given by Tax Counsel, are correct and complete. The opinion of Tax Counsel will be based on the Code, the Treasury regulations (final, temporary and proposed) thereunder, the existing authorities, and Tax Counsel’s interpretation thereof, all as in effect as of the date of such opinion, and on certain factual assumptions and representations as to the Issuer’s contemplated activities. The Issuer intends to conduct its business in accordance with the assumptions, representations and agreements upon which the opinion of Tax Counsel is based. However, opinions and advice of Tax Counsel or other counsel are not binding on the IRS. Accordingly, in the absence of authority on point, the federal income tax treatment of the Issuer is not entirely free from doubt, and there can be no assurance that positions contrary to those stated in the opinion of Tax Counsel or any other advice or opinion may not be asserted successfully by the IRS.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if it were determined that the Issuer was engaged in a U.S. trade or business and had income that was effectively connected with such U.S. trade or business, then, among other adverse consequences, the Issuer would be subject under the Code to the regular corporate income tax on such effectively connected income and possibly to the 30% branch profits tax as well. The imposition of such taxes would materially affect the Issuer’s financial ability to make payments with respect to the Securities and could materially affect the return on the Securities. In addition, if it were determined that the Issuer was engaged in a U.S. trade or business and had income that was effectively connected with such U.S. trade or business, all or a portion of payments on the Securities to a holder that is not a U.S. Holder could be subject to a 30% U.S. withholding tax.

*U.S. Federal Withholding Taxes.* Generally, U.S. source interest income received by a foreign corporation not engaged in a trade or business within the United States is subject to U.S. withholding tax at the rate of 30% of the amount thereof. The Code provides an exception for interest that constitutes “portfolio interest,” which is exempt from withholding tax. The term “portfolio interest” is generally defined as interest paid with respect to debt issued after July 18, 1984 that meets the “registration” requirement, unless the interest constitutes a certain type of contingent interest or is paid to a 10% shareholder of the payor, to a controlled foreign corporation (a “CFC”) related to the payor, or to a bank with respect to a loan entered into in the ordinary course of its business. For purposes of applying the 10% shareholder and related CFC rules, certain constructive ownership rules contained in the Code apply. The Issuer intends that all of the Collateral Obligations purchased that consist of obligations of U.S. issuers to the extent that they are treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes will either (i) pay interest qualifying as “portfolio interest” for which federal income withholding tax is not otherwise applicable or (ii) require the obligor to make “gross-up” payments to offset fully any such tax on any such payments. However, there can be no assurance that the Issuer will not become subject to such withholding without “gross-up” payments as a result of a change in or the adoption of a U.S. tax statute, or any change in or the issuance of a regulation or equivalent authority. Any such change, adoption or issuance may constitute a Withholding Tax Event. See “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

The Issuer may acquire certain types of Collateral Obligations not constituting debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes under the assumption that they are not subject to U.S. withholding tax despite the absence of clear authority that withholding tax is not payable.

Any commitment fees and any lending fees received under a Securities Lending Agreement or similar fees or other items of income (other than interest) received by the Issuer may be subject to U.S. withholding tax, which would reduce the Issuer’s net income from such activities. However, the Issuer does not anticipate that it will derive material amounts of any such commitment fees and lending fees or similar fees or other items of income that would be subject to U.S. withholding taxes.

The Issuer may also acquire Collateral Obligations that consist of obligations of non-U.S. issuers. Payments in respect of such Collateral Obligations may be or could become subject to foreign withholding tax. In this regard, the Issuer is not generally permitted to purchase any obligations, the payments on which are subject to withholding tax, unless the issuer of the obligation is required to make “gross-up” payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax.

## **U.S. Federal Income Taxation of U.S. Holders of Notes**

*Status of the Notes.* In the opinion of Tax Counsel, the Notes issued on the Closing Date will be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The Issuer will treat, and each person acquiring an interest in a Note or a Composite Security will be deemed to agree to treat, the Notes and Note Components as debt. The opinion of Tax Counsel is based on current law and certain representations and assumptions and is not binding on the IRS or the courts, and no ruling will be sought from the IRS regarding this, or any other, aspect of the U.S. federal income tax treatment of the Notes. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the IRS will not contend, and that a court will not ultimately hold, that for U.S. federal income tax purposes one or more Classes of the Notes are properly treated as equity in the Issuer. In that case, the U.S. federal income tax consequences to U.S. Holders of the Notes would be similar to those set forth under “U.S. Federal Income Taxation of U.S. Holders of Preference Shares” and there might be adverse U.S. federal income tax consequences to a U.S. Holder of Notes upon the sale, redemption, retirement or other disposition of, or the receipt of certain types of distributions on, the Notes. The remainder of the discussion assumes that the Notes are properly characterized as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

*Maturity Extension and Extension Bonus Payment.* Because the Stated Maturity of the Securities may be extended if certain conditions are met, it is unclear whether the Notes should be treated as maturing in August 1, 2017 or August 1, 2033, or on a date between such dates. The Treasury regulations do not provide clear guidance on debt instruments with terms similar to the Notes. Absent further



guidance, the Issuer intends to take the position that the Notes should be treated as maturing on August 1, 2017. If the Notes are extended, the Issuer intends to treat each Note, solely for purposes of sections 1272 and 1273 of the Code, as retired and reissued for an amount equal to the adjusted issue price on the date of the new Extension Effective Date. Prospective investors in the Notes should consult their tax advisors regarding whether the Notes should be treated as maturing on a different date and the tax consequences if the Notes have a different maturity date than that chosen by the Issuer.

If the Stated Maturity is extended, the extension of the Stated Maturity would be treated as a modification of the Notes if the Notes may be sold to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser that is related to the Issuer within the meaning of section 267(b) of the Code. If such extension constitutes a modification, there is a significant risk that U.S. Holders who continue to hold their Notes after such extension will be treated as having exchanged their Notes for new Notes (“**New Notes**”) in a deemed exchange for U.S. federal income tax purposes (a “**Deemed Exchange**”). In such event, if either the Notes or the New Notes are not “securities” for U.S. federal income tax purposes, U.S. Holders would be treated as having disposed of their Notes in a taxable exchange for New Notes and would have a new tax basis and new holding period. If instead both the Notes and New Notes are treated as securities for U.S. federal income tax purposes, U.S. Holders would generally recognize no gain or loss, would have the same holding period and tax basis, and may be treated as having acquired the New Notes at a market discount or premium, depending on such U.S. Holder’s tax basis at the time of the Deemed Exchange and the deemed “issue price” of the New Notes. If the Notes are treated as exchanged for New Notes in a Deemed Exchange as a result of a Maturity Extension, whether the New Notes would be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes will depend on the facts and circumstances existing at the time of such Deemed Exchange. Tax Counsel is unable to opine on whether New Notes treated as received in a Deemed Exchange for the Notes will be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In the event of a Deemed Exchange, U.S. Holders are strongly urged to consult their tax advisors regarding the tax consequences of such Deemed Exchange.

The tax treatment of the Exchange Bonus Payment is unclear. The Issuer intends to take the positions that the full amount of the Exchange Bonus Payment should be taxable to U.S. Holders as ordinary income in accordance with their method of accounting and that neither the Exchange Bonus Payment nor the Issuer’s options to extend the Stated Maturity should cause the Notes to be treated as subject to the rules applicable to “contingent payment debt instruments” under section 1.1275-4 of the Treasury regulation. U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisors regarding the taxation of the Exchange Bonus Payment and the tax consequences of the Notes if they are treated as contingent payment debt instruments.

*Taxation of Interest Income.* Stated interest on the Notes that is considered “unconditionally payable” (as described below) will be includable in income by a U.S. Holder when received or accrued in accordance with such holder’s method of tax accounting as ordinary interest income from sources outside the United States.

If the “issue price” of any Note is less than the “stated redemption price at maturity” (“**SRPM**”) of such Note, the excess of the SRPM over the issue price may constitute original issue discount (“**OID**”). Under a de minimis rule, if the excess of the SRPM of such Note over its issue price is less than one-fourth of one percent of the SRPM multiplied by the weighted average maturity (determined under applicable Treasury regulations) of such Note, such Note will not be treated as issued with OID. If any such Notes are issued at a greater than de minimis discount or are otherwise treated as having been issued with OID, the excess of the SRPM of such Notes over their issue price will constitute OID. Under the Code, a U.S. Holder of such Notes would be required to include the daily portions of OID, if any, in income as interest from sources outside the United States over the term of such Notes under a constant yield method that reflects the time value of money, regardless of such U.S. Holder’s method of tax accounting and without regard to the timing of actual payments.

The “issue price” of the Notes is the first price at which a substantial amount of the Notes are sold for money (excluding sales to bond houses, brokers or similar persons or organizations acting in the capacity of underwriters, placement agents or wholesalers). Treasury regulations provide, for purposes of

determining whether a debt instrument is issued with OID, that stated interest must be included in the SRPM of a debt instrument if such interest is not “unconditionally payable” in money at least annually. Interest is considered “unconditionally payable” if reasonable legal remedies exist to compel timely payment or terms and conditions of the debt instrument make the likelihood of late payment (other than late payment that occurs within a reasonable grace period) or nonpayment (ignoring the possibility of nonpayment due to default, insolvency or similar circumstances) a remote contingency. Stated interest on the Class A Notes and Class B Notes will be “unconditionally payable” at least annually and thus will be included in income in accordance with a U.S. Holder’s method of accounting. Because interest on the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes may not be due and payable on any Payment Date to the extent that funds are not available on such Payment Date to pay the full amount of such interest or in order to satisfy certain Coverage Tests, the Issuer intends to take the position that payment of interest on the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes will not be viewed as “unconditionally payable.” Assuming such treatment is respected, all interest payments on the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes would be required to be included in the SRPM of such Notes and, therefore, accrued by a U.S. Holder pursuant to these OID rules. Accordingly, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes would be subject to the OID rules whether or not they are issued at an issue price equal to their principal amount.

Because the Floating Rate Notes provide for a floating rate of interest, a U.S. Holder of Floating Rate Notes must include in income interest or OID, if any, on the Floating Rate Notes at the floating rate in effect for the first accrual period (assuming the Floating Rate Notes are issued without OID other than any “deemed” discount attributable to the accrual of interest). The amount of interest or OID actually recognized for any applicable period will increase (or decrease) if interest actually paid during the period is more (or less) than the amount accrued at the initial floating rate.

If the Notes of a Class are not issued at an issue price equal to their principal amount, in computing OID with respect to such Notes, the Issuer intends (absent definitive guidance) to determine the amount of OID to be included in income annually by U.S. Holders of such Notes under an income accrual method, prescribed by Section 1272(a)(6) of the Code, applicable to debt instruments payments under which may be accelerated by reason of prepayments of other obligations securing such debt instruments or a pool of debt instruments the yield on which may be affected by reason of prepayments, that uses an assumption as to the expected prepayments on the Notes. The application of section 1272(a)(6) of the Code to debt instruments with prepayment features similar to the Notes is uncertain, however, and may be challenged by the IRS. In the event that the IRS successfully challenged the Issuer’s characterization of such Notes as subject to section 1272(a)(6) of the Code, any such Notes might be treated as contingent payment debt instruments. Prospective investors should consult their tax advisors regarding the potential application of the method under section 1272(a)(6) of the Code and the rules governing contingent payment debt instruments for accruing any prospective OID on the Notes.

*Disposition of Notes.* In general, a U.S. Holder of a Note will have a basis in such Note equal to the cost of such Note to such Holder, increased by any amount includable in income by such holder as OID and reduced by any payments of principal and interest on such Note, other than payments of stated interest that are not required to be included in the SRPM of such Note.

Upon the sale, exchange, retirement or other disposition of such Note, a U.S. Holder will recognize taxable gain or loss, if any, generally equal to the difference between the amount realized on the sale or other disposition (other than accrued stated interest that was not required to be included in the SRPM of such Note, which interest will be taxable as such) and such U.S. Holder’s adjusted tax basis in such Note. Any such gain or loss will generally be long-term capital gain or loss provided that such Note had been held for more than one year at the time of the sale or other disposition. In certain circumstances, U.S. Holders that are individuals may be entitled to preferential treatment for net long-term capital gains; however, the ability of U.S. Holders to offset capital losses against ordinary income is limited.

## **U.S. Federal Income Taxation of U.S. Holders of Preference Shares**

*Status of the Preference Shares.* Under U.S. federal income tax principles, the Preference Shares will be treated as equity of the Issuer. The Issuer will treat the Preference Shares as well as the

Preference Share Components as equity of the Issuer for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and the remainder of the discussion assumes that the Preference Shares are properly characterized as equity of the Issuer for such purposes.

*Passive Foreign Investment Company Rules.* The Issuer will constitute a “passive foreign investment company” (“**PFIC**”) for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and the Preference Shares will be subject to treatment as equity in a PFIC. In general, a U.S. Holder may desire to make an election to treat the Issuer as a “qualified electing fund” (“**QEF**”) with respect to such U.S. Holder in order to avoid the application of certain potentially adverse U.S. tax rules (discussed below) applicable to ownership of PFIC equity by U.S. persons. Generally, a QEF election should be made with the filing of a U.S. Holder’s federal income tax return for the first taxable year for which it holds the Preference Shares. If a timely QEF election is made, an electing U.S. Holder would be required in each taxable year to include in gross income such holder’s *pro rata* share of the Issuer’s ordinary earnings and net capital gain, whether or not distributed, assuming that the Issuer does not constitute a “controlled foreign corporation” with respect to which the holder is treated as a “U.S. Shareholder,” as discussed further below. A U.S. Holder will not be eligible for a dividends received deduction in respect of such income or gain. Moreover, such income or gain will not be eligible for treatment as “qualified dividend income” for non-corporate U.S. Holders. In addition, any losses of the Issuer in a taxable year may not be available to such U.S. Holder and may not be carried back or forward in computing the Issuer’s ordinary earnings and net capital gain in other taxable years. The electing U.S. Holder may recognize income in a taxable year in respect of the Preference Shares in amounts significantly greater than the distributions received from the Issuer on such Preference Shares in such taxable year. In certain cases in which a QEF does not distribute all of its earnings in a taxable year, U.S. Holders may be permitted to elect to defer payment of some or all of their taxes with respect to the QEF’s income subject to an interest charge on the deferred amount. In this respect, prospective purchasers of the Preference Shares should be aware that it is expected that the Collateral Obligations may be purchased by the Issuer with substantial OID the cash payment of which may be deferred, perhaps for a substantial period of time, and the Issuer may use interest and other income from the Collateral Obligations to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or to retire Notes. As a result, the Issuer may have in any given year substantial amounts of earnings for U.S. federal income tax purposes that are not distributed on the Preference Shares. Thus, absent an election to defer payment of taxes, U.S. Holders that make a QEF election with respect to the Issuer may owe tax on significant “phantom” income. If applicable, the rules pertaining to a “controlled foreign corporation” discussed below, generally override those pertaining to a PFIC with respect to which a QEF election is in effect.

In addition, it should be noted that if the Issuer invests in obligations that are not in registered form, a U.S. Holder making a QEF election (i) may not be permitted to take a deduction for any loss attributable to such obligations when calculating its share of the Issuer’s earnings and (ii) may be required to treat income attributable to such obligations as ordinary income even though the income would otherwise constitute capital gains. It is possible that some portion of the investments of the Issuer will constitute obligations that are not in registered form.

The Issuer will provide, upon request, all information and documentation that a U.S. Holder making a QEF election is required to obtain for U.S. federal income tax purposes (*e.g.*, the U.S. Holder’s *pro rata* share of ordinary income and net capital gain, and a “PFIC Annual Information Statement,” as described in applicable Treasury regulations).

If a U.S. Holder does not make a timely QEF election, a U.S. Holder of the Preference Shares would generally be required to report any gain on disposition of such Preference Shares (including any deemed disposition resulting from the use of such Preference Shares as security for a loan) as ordinary income rather than capital gain. A U.S. Holder would generally be required to compute tax liability on any such disposition gain and on certain “excess” distributions received by the U.S. Holder as if the items had been earned ratably over each day in the U.S. Holder’s holding period for such Preference Shares and would be subject to the highest ordinary income tax rate for each taxable year (other than the current year of the U.S. Holder) in which the items were treated as having been earned, regardless of the rate otherwise applicable to the U.S. Holder. Such U.S. Holder would also be liable for an additional tax

equal to an interest charge on the tax liability attributable to income that is treated as allocated to prior years as if such liability had actually been due in each such prior year. For purposes of these rules, gifts, exchanges pursuant to corporate reorganizations and use of the Preference Shares as security for a loan may be treated as a taxable disposition of such Preference Shares. An “excess distribution” is the amount by which distributions during a taxable year in respect of a Preference Share exceed 125 percent of the average amount of distributions in respect thereof during the three preceding taxable years (or, if shorter, the U.S. Holder’s holding period for the Preference Share). In addition, a stepped-up basis in the Preference Shares upon the death of an individual U.S. Holder may not be available.

In many cases, application of the tax on gain on disposition and receipt of excess distributions will be substantially more onerous than the treatment applicable if a timely QEF election is made. ACCORDINGLY, U.S. HOLDERS OF PREFERENCE SHARES SHOULD CONSIDER CAREFULLY WHETHER TO MAKE A QEF ELECTION WITH RESPECT TO THE PREFERENCE SHARES AND THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT MAKING SUCH AN ELECTION.

*Controlled Foreign Corporation Rules.* The Issuer may be classified as a CFC. In general, a foreign corporation will be classified as a CFC if more than 50% of the shares of the corporation, measured by reference to combined voting power or value, is held, directly or indirectly, by “U.S. Shareholders.” A U.S. Shareholder, for this purpose, is in general any U.S. Holder that possesses, directly, indirectly or constructively, 10% or more of the combined voting power of all classes of shares of the corporation. It is possible that the IRS would assert that the Preference Shares are de facto voting equity, and that there is sufficient concentration of ownership of Preference Shares among U.S. Shareholders such that the Issuer constitutes a CFC. If this argument were successful and the Issuer were to constitute a CFC, a U.S. Shareholder of the Issuer would be required, subject to certain exceptions, to include in gross income (as ordinary income) at the end of the taxable year of the Issuer an amount equal to that person’s *pro rata* share of the subpart F income and certain U.S. source income of the Issuer. Among other items, and subject to certain exceptions, “subpart F income” includes dividends, interest, gains from the sale of securities, and income from certain transactions with related parties. It is likely that, if the Issuer were to constitute a CFC, all or substantially all of its income would be subpart F income.

The American Jobs Creation Act of 2004 (the “Act”) was recently enacted into law. Among other things, the Act provides a temporary dividends received deduction for certain dividends received by an electing corporate U.S. Shareholder from certain CFCs, if specified requirements are met. The requirements for claiming such temporary dividends received deductions are complex, and U.S. Shareholders should consult their tax advisors regarding the advisability and availability of such election.

If the Issuer were treated as a CFC, a U.S. Shareholder of the Issuer would generally be taxable on the subpart F income of the Issuer under the rules described in the preceding paragraph and not under the PFIC rules previously described. As a result, to the extent subpart F income of the Issuer includes net capital gains, such gains would be treated as ordinary income of the U.S. Shareholder under the CFC rules, notwithstanding the fact that the character of such gains generally would otherwise be preserved under the PFIC rules if a QEF election were made.

In general, if a U.S. Holder of Preference Shares who is not initially subject to the CFC inclusion rules described above (*e.g.*, because he is not a U.S. Shareholder or because the Issuer is not a CFC) does not elect to treat the Issuer as a QEF, and if such U.S. Holder subsequently becomes subject to the CFC inclusion rules (*e.g.*, as a result of changes in the holder’s ownership of Preference Shares or in the status of the Issuer), and if thereafter, at a later date, such U.S. Holder ceases to be subject to the CFC inclusion rules, then at such later date such U.S. Holder would be required to treat the Issuer as a PFIC that was not a QEF, and for purposes of the PFIC rules described above, the U.S. Holder would treat the date on which it first acquired the Preference Shares as the date on which its holding period began. If, however, the U.S. Holder had made the QEF election before becoming subject to the CFC inclusion rules, then such U.S. Holder would be treated as acquiring an interest in a QEF on the day following such later date on which it ceased to be subject to the CFC inclusion rules.

Similarly, if, at issuance, a U.S. Holder of Preference Shares is subject to the CFC inclusion rules, but subsequently ceases to be subject to the CFC inclusion rules while continuing to hold Preference Shares, then such U.S. Holder would be treated as acquiring a new equity interest in the Issuer on the day following the date on which the holder ceased to be subject to the CFC inclusion rules. Because such Preference Shares would thereafter be treated as stock in a PFIC, if there was not a QEF election in effect with respect to the holder's taxable year that includes the date of cessation of its status as a U.S. Shareholder subject to the CFC inclusion rules, the U.S. Holder would become subject to the adverse rules applicable to non-QEF PFICs described above.

THE TAX CONSEQUENCES OF THE OWNERSHIP AND DISPOSITION OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES UNDER SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES, INCLUDING THE POTENTIAL INTERPLAY OF THE PFIC, QEF AND CFC RULES, ARE QUITE COMPLEX, AND U.S. HOLDERS OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES SHOULD CONSULT THEIR TAX ADVISORS IN THIS REGARD.

*Distributions on the Preference Shares.* The treatment of actual distributions of cash on the Preference Shares, in very general terms, will vary depending on, among other things, whether a U.S. Holder has made a timely QEF election as described above. See “—Passive Foreign Investment Company Rules” above. If a timely QEF election has been made, distributions should be allocated first to amounts previously taxed pursuant to the QEF election (or pursuant to the CFC rules) and to this extent would not be taxable to U.S. Holders. Distributions in excess of such previously taxed amount will be taxable to U.S. Holders as ordinary income upon receipt, to the extent of any remaining amounts of untaxed current and accumulated earnings and profits of the Issuer. Distributions in excess of (i) previously taxed amounts and (ii) any remaining current and accumulated earnings and profits will be treated first as a nontaxable return of capital, which reduces the tax basis in the Preference Shares to the extent thereof, and then as capital gain.

In the event that a U.S. Holder does not make a timely QEF election, then except to the extent that distributions may be attributable to amounts previously taxed pursuant to the CFC, some or all of any distributions with respect to the Preference Shares may constitute “excess” distributions, taxable as previously described. See “—Passive Foreign Investment Company Rules” above.

*Sale or Other Disposition of the Preference Shares.* In general, and subject to the discussion below regarding U.S. Holders that do not elect to make a timely QEF election and regarding the rules applicable to U.S. Shareholders of a CFC, a U.S. Holder will recognize gain or loss upon the sale or other disposition of a Preference Share equal to the difference between the amount realized and such holder's adjusted tax basis in such Preference Share. Such gain or loss will be long-term capital gain or loss if the U.S. Holder has held such Preference Share for more than one year at the time of the sale or other disposition. In certain circumstances, U.S. Holders who are individuals (or whose income is taxable to U.S. individuals) may be entitled to preferential treatment for net long-term capital gains; however, the ability of U.S. Holders to offset capital losses against ordinary income is limited.

The tax basis of a U.S. Holder in a Preference Share will generally include the amount paid for the Preference Share. Such basis will be increased by amounts taxable to such holder by virtue of a QEF election, or by virtue of the CFC rules, and decreased by actual distributions from the Issuer that are deemed to consist of such previously taxed amounts or are treated as a nontaxable reduction to the U.S. Holder's tax basis for the Preference Share.

If a U.S. Holder does not make a timely QEF election as described above, any gain realized on the sale or exchange of a Preference Share or any such gain deemed to accrue prior to the time a non-timely QEF election is made, will generally be treated as an excess distribution, taxed as ordinary income and subject to an additional tax reflecting a deemed interest charge under the special tax rules described above. See “—Passive Foreign Investment Company Rules” above.

If the Issuer were treated as a CFC and a U.S. Holder were treated as a U.S. Shareholder thereof, then any gain realized by such U.S. Holder upon disposition of the Preference Shares, other than gain constituting an excess distribution under the PFIC rules, if applicable, would generally be treated as

ordinary income to the extent of the current and accumulated earnings and profits of the Issuer. In this respect, earnings and profits generally would not include any amounts previously taxed pursuant to a timely QEF election or pursuant to the CFC rules.

### **Tax Treatment of Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders of Securities**

U.S. Holders which are tax-exempt entities ("**Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders**") will not be subject to the tax on unrelated business taxable income ("**UBTI**") with respect to interest and capital gains income derived from an investment in the Notes. However, a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder that also acquires Preference Shares should consider whether interest it receives in respect of the Notes may be treated as UBTI under rules governing certain payments received from controlled entities.

A Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder generally will not be subject to the tax on UBTI with respect to regular payments or "excess distributions" (defined above under "U.S. Federal Income Taxation of U.S. Holders of Preference Shares—Passive Foreign Investment Company Rules") on the Preference Shares. A Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder that is not subject to tax on UBTI with respect to "excess distributions" may not make a QEF election. In addition, a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder that is subject to the rules relating to "controlled foreign corporations" with respect to the Preference Shares generally should not be subject to the tax on UBTI with respect to income from such Preference Shares.

Notwithstanding the discussion in the preceding two paragraphs, a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder which incurs "acquisition indebtedness" (as defined in Section 514(c) of the Code) with respect to the Securities may be subject to the tax on UBTI with respect to income from the Securities to the extent that the Securities constitute "debt-financed property" (as defined in Section 514(b) of the Code) of the Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder. A Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder subject to the tax on UBTI with respect to income from the Preference Shares will be taxed on "excess distributions" in the manner discussed above under "U.S. Federal Income Taxation of U.S. Holders of Preference Shares—Passive Foreign Investment Company Rules." Such a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder will be permitted, and should consider whether, to make a QEF election with respect to the Issuer as discussed above.

Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisors regarding an investment in the Securities.

### **U.S. Federal Income Taxation of U.S. Holders of Composite Securities**

Although each Composite Security will be evidenced as a single instrument, a Holder of a Composite Security may, at its option, exchange such Composite Security for its Components. Accordingly, the Issuer will treat, and each Holder and beneficial owner of a Composite Security, by acquiring such Composite Security or an interest therein, will agree to treat, the Composite Security as consisting of the separate Class D-2 Notes and Preference Shares, in the case of the Class 1 Composite Securities, and the Class C Notes and Preference Shares, in the case of the Class 2 Composite Securities, corresponding to the applicable Components of such Composite Securities for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In accordance with such treatment of the Composite Securities, in calculating its tax basis in each of the Components comprising a Composite Security, a U.S. Holder will allocate the purchase price paid for such Composite Security among the Components in proportion to their relative fair market values at the time of purchase. A similar principle will apply in determining the amount allocable to each Component upon a sale of a Composite Security. The exchange of a Composite Security for the Notes and Preference Shares corresponding to each applicable Component should not be a taxable event. Assuming a Holder of a Composite Security is treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as holding the applicable Components, a U.S. Holder of a Composite Security should review the applicable discussion above and below with respect to the U.S. federal income tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of the Notes (with respect to the Note Components) and the Preference Shares (with respect to the Preference Share Components).

## **U.S. Federal Income Taxation of Non-U.S. Holders**

Payments on the Notes to a holder that is a non-resident alien or foreign corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes (a “**Non-U.S. Holder**”) will generally be exempt from any U.S. federal income or withholding taxes, as will gains derived from the sale, exchange or redemption of the Notes, *provided, that* such payments or gains are not effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business of such holder, and generally, in the case of gain (excluding accrued OID, if any) of a non-resident alien individual holder, the holder is not present in the United States for 183 days or more during the taxable year of the sale and certain other conditions are satisfied. However, if as discussed above it were determined that the Issuer was engaged in a U.S. trade or business, a portion of the payments on the Notes paid to a Non-U.S. Holder could be subject to a 30% U.S. withholding tax.

## **Information Reporting and Backup Withholding**

Information reporting to the IRS generally will be required with respect to payments on the Notes, and proceeds of the sale of the Notes to U.S. Holders other than corporations and other exempt recipients. A “backup” withholding tax generally will apply to those payments if such holder fails to provide certain identifying information (such as the holder’s taxpayer identification number) to the Trustee. Non-U.S. Holders may be required to comply with applicable certification procedures to establish that they are not U.S. Holders. “Non-effectively connected” gain or distributions received by a Non-U.S. Holder will generally not be subject to U.S. information reporting requirements or U.S. “backup” withholding tax, although such holder may be required to furnish a certificate to the paying agent of the Issuer attesting to their status as a Non-U.S. Holder in order to avoid the application of such information reporting requirements and backup withholding. Backup withholding is not an additional tax and may be refunded (or credited against the holder’s U.S. federal income tax liability, if any) *provided* that certain required information is furnished to the IRS in a timely manner.

## **Transfer Reporting Requirements**

A U.S. Holder (including a U.S. tax-exempt entity) that acquires equity of a non-U.S. corporation (such as the Preference Shares) at issuance may be required to file a Form 926 or a similar form with the IRS if (i) such person owned, directly or by attribution, immediately after the transfer at least 10% by vote or value of the Issuer or (ii) if the transfer, when aggregated with all transfers made by such person (or any related person) within the preceding 12 month period, exceeds \$100,000. If a U.S. Holder of Preference Shares fails to file any such required form, the U.S. Holder could be subject to a penalty (generally up to a maximum of \$100,000, except in cases involving intentional disregard), computed in the amount of 10% of the fair market value of the Preference Shares at the time such Preference Shares are purchased by such U.S. Holder.

## **Tax Shelter Reporting Requirements**

The U.S. Treasury Department recently issued final regulations and other pronouncements, generally effective for transactions entered into on or after February 28, 2003, directed at certain tax shelter transactions. These regulations require taxpayers, including certain United States shareholders in foreign corporations, to report certain information on IRS Form 8886 if they participate in a “reportable transaction.” The Act imposes significant penalties for failure to comply with these requirements.

It is possible that an investment in Preference Shares could be characterized as a “reportable transaction” due to, for example, changes in book or tax accounting rules after the Closing Date that give rise to certain book-tax difference in the Issuer’s reporting of income or deductions for book and tax purposes or transactions entered into after the Closing Date having such book-tax difference or the Issuer enters into certain loss transactions. In such event, certain U.S. Holders of Preference Shares would become obligated to disclose their investment in such Preference Shares on IRS Form 8886. Should the Issuer become aware that a U.S. Holder’s investment in Preference Shares has become such a “reportable transaction” due to investments made by the Issuer, the Issuer intends to so inform the holders of Preference Shares receiving “PFIC Annual Information Statements” as described in “—Passive Foreign

Investment Company Rules” or any other holders of Notes who reasonably request such information and provide, or cause its accountants to provide, all information available to it which is necessary for such holders to comply with these disclosure requirements. U.S. Holders should note, however, that the Issuer may not become aware of any book-tax difference or other criteria giving rise to the holder’s obligation to report.

In addition, the new regulations also treat certain loss transactions as a “reportable transaction.” Under these regulations, if a U.S. Holder incurs a loss from investing in the Notes (unless the U.S. Holder’s basis in the Notes constitutes “qualifying basis” and certain other conditions are met), and such loss, alone or together with certain other losses, exceeds certain threshold amounts, the U.S. Holder may have a “reportable transaction” and be required to file IRS Form 8886.

A transaction may also be a “reportable transaction” if it is offered under conditions of confidentiality. In this regard, in order to ensure the investors’ purchase of the Securities in this offering are not treated as offered under conditions of confidentiality, the Holders and beneficial owners of the Securities (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) are hereby permitted to disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions described herein (including the ownership and disposition of the Securities). For this purpose, the tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction, and the tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. federal income tax treatment of the transaction.

U.S. Holders are strongly urged to consult their tax advisors concerning any possible reporting and disclosure obligations with respect to their investment in Securities.

### **Cayman Islands Tax Considerations**

The following discussion of certain Cayman Islands income tax consequences of an investment in the Securities is based on the advice of Ogier & Boxalls as to Cayman Islands law. The discussion is a general summary of present law, which is subject to prospective and retroactive change. It assumes that the Issuer will conduct its affairs in accordance with assumptions made by, and representations made to, counsel. It is not intended as tax advice, does not consider any investor’s particular circumstances, and does not consider tax consequences other than those arising under Cayman Islands law.

Under existing Cayman Islands laws:

- (i) payments of principal and interest on the Notes and dividends and capital in respect of the Preference Shares will not be subject to taxation in the Cayman Islands and no withholding will be required on such payments to any Holder of a Security and gains derived from the sale of Securities will not be subject to Cayman Islands income or corporation tax. The Cayman Islands currently have no income, corporation or capital gains tax and no estate duty, inheritance tax or gift tax;
- (ii) no stamp duty is payable in respect of the issue or transfer of Securities although duty may be payable if Notes are executed in or brought into the Cayman Islands; and
- (iii) certificates evidencing Securities, in registered form, to which title is not transferable by delivery, should not attract Cayman Islands stamp duty. However, an instrument transferring title to a Note, if brought to or executed in the Cayman Islands, would be subject to Cayman Islands stamp duty.

The Issuer has been incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands as an exempted company and, as such, has applied for and obtained an undertaking from the Governor in Cabinet of the Cayman Islands in substantially the following form:



“THE TAX CONCESSIONS LAW  
(1999 REVISION)  
UNDERTAKING AS TO TAX CONCESSIONS

In accordance with Section 6 of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision) the Governor in Cabinet undertakes with:

Jasper CLO Ltd. “the Company”

- (a) that no Law which is hereafter enacted in the Islands imposing any tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations shall apply to the Company or its operations; and
- (b) in addition, that no tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations or which is in the nature of estate duty or inheritance tax shall be payable
  - (i) on or in respect of the shares debentures or other obligations of the Company; or
  - (ii) by way of the withholding in whole or in part of any relevant payment as defined in Section 6(3) of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision).

These concessions shall be for a period of TWENTY years from the 22nd day of March, 2005.

GOVERNOR IN CABINET”

The Cayman Islands does not have an income tax treaty arrangement with the U.S. or any other country.

THE PRECEDING DISCUSSION IS ONLY A SUMMARY OF CERTAIN OF THE TAX IMPLICATIONS OF AN INVESTMENT IN THE SECURITIES. PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS ARE URGED TO CONSULT WITH THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS PRIOR TO INVESTING TO DETERMINE THE TAX IMPLICATIONS OF SUCH INVESTMENT IN LIGHT OF SUCH INVESTORS’ CIRCUMSTANCES.

**CONSIDERATIONS FOR BENEFIT PLANS**

Except as described below, the Preference Shares and Composite Securities may not be purchased by any Benefit Plan Investor. Subject to the following discussion, the Notes may generally be acquired by Benefit Plan Investors. Any fiduciary or other person contemplating an investment in the Securities by, on behalf of or using the assets of, an employee benefit or similar plan or arrangement, whether or not subject to ERISA or the Code, should consider, among other things, the matters described below before deciding whether to invest in any of the Securities.

The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“**ERISA**”), establishes fiduciary standards for persons having authority or control of the assets of employee benefit plans subject thereto, including collective investment funds and other entities whose underlying assets are treated as if they were the assets of such plans (collectively, “**ERISA Plans**”) pursuant to the regulation issued by the United States Department of Labor (“**DOL**”) and found at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 (the “**Plan Asset Regulation**”) or otherwise pursuant to ERISA. Under ERISA, any person who exercises any authority or control respecting the management or disposition of the assets of an ERISA Plan is considered to be a fiduciary of such ERISA Plan.

Investments by ERISA Plans are subject to ERISA’s general fiduciary requirements, including the requirement of investment prudence and diversification and the requirement that an ERISA Plan’s investments be made in accordance with the documents governing the relevant plan. The prudence of a particular investment must be determined by the responsible fiduciary of an ERISA Plan by taking into

account the ERISA Plan's particular circumstances and all of the facts and circumstances of the investment. A fiduciary of an ERISA Plan should consider, for example, that in the future there may be no market in which to sell or otherwise dispose of the Securities, whether an investment in the Securities may be too illiquid or too speculative, and whether the assets of the ERISA Plan would be sufficiently diversified.

Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code effectively prohibit certain transactions involving the assets of an ERISA Plan (as well as those plans that are not subject to ERISA but are subject to Section 4975 of the Code (each such plan or ERISA Plan, a "**Plan**")) and certain persons having certain relationships to such Plans (referred to as "parties in interest" or "disqualified persons"), unless a statutory or administrative exemption applies to the transaction. A violation of these "prohibited transaction" rules may generate excise tax or other penalties and liabilities under ERISA and the Code for such person.

Additionally, the acquisition or holding of Securities by or on behalf of benefits plans that are not subject to ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code such as foreign plans, governmental plans (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA) and certain church plans (as defined in Section 3(33) of ERISA) could give rise to similar liabilities under federal, state, foreign or local law which may be substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (a "**Similar Law**"), and/or might be prohibited or otherwise restricted as described herein.

The Plan Asset Regulation describes what constitutes the assets of a Plan with respect to the Plan's investment in an entity for purposes of certain provisions of ERISA, including the fiduciary responsibility and prohibited transaction provisions of Title I of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code. Under the Plan Asset Regulation, if a Plan invests in an "equity interest" of an entity that is neither a "publicly-offered security" nor a security issued by an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act, the Plan's assets include both the equity interest and an undivided interest in each of the entity's underlying assets, unless it is established that the entity is an "operating company" or that equity participation in the entity by "Benefit Plan Investors" is not "significant." Equity participation in an entity by Benefit Plan Investors is "significant" if 25% or more of the value of any class of equity interest of the entity is held by Benefit Plan Investors. The term "Benefit Plan Investor" includes (a) an employee benefit plan as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA, whether or not it is subject to ERISA, (b) a plan described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code, and (c) any entity whose underlying assets include "plan assets" of any of the foregoing by reason of an investment in the entity by such a plan or arrangement (a "**Benefit Plan Investor**"). For purposes of making the 25% determination, the value of any equity interests held by a person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) who has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the entity or who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to such assets, or any affiliate of such a person, will be disregarded. Under the Plan Asset Regulation, an "affiliate" of a person includes any person, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controlling, controlled by or under common control with the person, and "control" with respect to a person other than an individual, means the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of such person.

Under the Plan Asset Regulation, the assets of the Co-Issuers might be treated as assets of a Plan if a Plan acquires an "equity interest" in the Issuer and/or the Co-Issuer and none of the exceptions contained in the Plan Asset Regulation is applicable. An equity interest is defined under the Plan Asset Regulation as an interest other than an instrument which is treated as indebtedness under applicable local law and which has no substantial equity features.

## Notes

The Issuers believe that, at the time of their issuance, the Notes should be treated as indebtedness without substantial equity features for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulation. This determination is based in part upon the traditional debt features of such Notes, including the reasonable expectation of purchasers of such Notes that they will be repaid when due, as well as the absence of conversion rights, warrants and other typical equity features. The Issuers will therefore not monitor the investment by Benefit Plan

Investors in the Notes. It should be noted that the debt treatment of the Notes for ERISA purposes could change subsequent to their issuance (i.e., they could be treated as equity) if the Issuers incur losses or the rating or other terms and conditions of the Notes changes. The risk of recharacterization is enhanced for subordinate classes of the Notes. The Co-Issuers have not obtained an opinion of counsel regarding the debt treatment of Notes under local law.

Regardless of the characterization of the Notes as debt or equity under the Plan Asset Regulation and regardless of the level of Benefit Plan Investor investment in any class of Notes, the acquisition or holding of Notes by or on behalf of a Plan could give rise to a prohibited transaction if the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agents, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, other persons providing services in connection with the Issuers, or any of their respective Affiliates is a “disqualified person” or “party in interest” with respect to that Plan. Certain exemptions from the prohibited transaction rules could be applicable, however, depending in part upon the type of fiduciary making the decision to acquire Notes and the circumstances under which such decision is made. Included among these exemptions are DOL Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption (“PTCE”) 84-14, regarding transactions effected by a “qualified professional asset manager”; PTCE 90-1, regarding investments by insurance company pooled separate accounts; PTCE 91-38, regarding investments by bank collective investment funds; PTCE 95-60, regarding investments by insurance company general accounts; and PTCE 96-23, regarding transactions effected by “in-house asset managers.” However, even if the conditions specified in one or more of these exemptions are met, the scope of the relief provided by these exemptions might or might not cover all acts which might be construed as prohibited transactions. There can be no assurance that any of these, or any other exemption, will be available with respect to any particular transaction involving the Notes.

Similarly, the acquisition or holding of Notes by or on behalf of foreign plans, governmental plans (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA) and certain church plans (as defined in Section 3(33) of ERISA), which are not subject to ERISA and/or the Code, could give rise to a prohibited transaction or other liabilities under Similar Law.

By acquiring a Note, each purchaser and transferee will be deemed to represent, warrant and covenant that either (i) it is not, and is not acquiring such Note with the assets of, a Plan or a foreign, governmental or church plan subject to Similar Law, and throughout the holding and disposition of such Note, it will not become or transfer its interest to any Plan or foreign, governmental or church plan or to an entity using the assets thereof, or (ii) the acquisition, holding and disposition of such Note by the purchaser or transferee, throughout its holding and disposition of such Note, will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a foreign, governmental or church plan, any Similar Law), because such purchase, holding and disposition either (x) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (y) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all of the conditions of which are and will be satisfied upon its acquisition of, and throughout its holding and disposition of, such Note. Each investor in a Note will be deemed to represent, warrant and covenant that it will not sell, pledge or otherwise transfer such Note in violation of the foregoing, and that it and any person causing it to acquire such Note agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agents and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of such purchaser not satisfying the foregoing or as a result of its transferring its interest to a Person not meeting the foregoing requirements. Any purported transfer of the Note to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of the foregoing shall be null and void *ab initio*, and will vest in the transferee no rights against the Trustee or the Co-Issuers.

## Preference Shares

The Preference Shares are equity of the Issuer and will be treated as equity for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulation. The Composite Securities consist in part of Preference Share Components that will be treated as Preference Shares for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulation. Accordingly, the Issuer intends to limit the purchase and holding of the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components) by Benefit Plan Investors to less than 25% of the aggregate outstanding amount of the

Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components) (excluding for purposes of such determination any Preference Shares and Preference Share Components held by “Controlling Persons” as defined below), by requiring each purchaser or transferee thereof to make certain representations and agreements with respect to its status as a Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person or be deemed to make certain representations and agreements as to such status, and to agree or be deemed to agree to additional transfer restrictions described under “Transfer Restrictions.” In making the 25% determination, Preference Shares and Preference Share Components interests held by any person that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer or any “affiliate” (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) of any such person (any such person, a “**Controlling Person**”) will be disregarded and not treated as outstanding. No purchase of a Preference Share or Composite Security by, or proposed transfer to, a person that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person will be permitted to the extent that such purchase or transfer would result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components) (excluding for purposes of such determination any Preference Shares held by any Controlling Person (such as the Preference Shares held by the Portfolio Manager)) immediately after such purchase or proposed transfer (determined in accordance with the Plan Asset Regulation, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents), assuming, for this purpose, that the Placement Agents have notified the Preference Shares Paying Agent of all holdings of the Preference Shares and Composite Securities by them or any of their Affiliates.

In addition, the Placement Agents, the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Trustee will agree that, after the initial distribution of the Preference Shares and the Composite Securities, neither they nor any of their respective Affiliates will acquire any Preference Shares or Composite Securities (including pursuant to the Extension Procedure, the Amendment Buy-Out Option or the Buy-Out of Directing Preference Shares) unless such acquisition would not, as determined by the Trustee, result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components) immediately after such acquisition (determined in accordance with the Plan Asset Regulation, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents). The Preference Shares and Preference Share Components held as principal by the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, any of their respective affiliates (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) and persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% limitation to the extent that such a Controlling Person is not a Benefit Plan Investor.

In addition, except for purchases directly from the Issuer in the initial offering, no purchase of the Preference Shares or Composite Securities by or proposed transfer to a person that wishes to take delivery in the form of a Regulation S Global Security will be permitted if that person has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person. Any purported transfer of the Preference Shares or Composite Securities to a transferee that does not comply with the foregoing shall be null and void *ab initio* and will vest in the transferee no rights against the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee or the Issuer.

Each purchaser and transferee will be further required or deemed, as appropriate, to represent, warrant and covenant that no transfer of a Preference Share or Composite Security will be made to a Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person except as provided herein, and that it and any fiduciaries or other Person causing it to acquire such Securities agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agents and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of any transfer of Preference Shares or Composite Securities in violation of the foregoing.

### **Independent Review and Consultation with Counsel**

Any person proposing to purchase Securities with assets of an employee benefit plan or similar plan or arrangement, including a collective investment fund, insurance company general account or a foreign, governmental or church plan, should consult with its counsel with respect to, among other things, the limitations applicable to Benefit Plan Investors specified herein, and the potential applicability of ERISA, the Code and Similar Law to such investment and whether any exemption from the prohibited transaction provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code or such Similar Law would be applicable. Each investor must determine on its own whether all conditions of any applicable exemption have been satisfied. Moreover, each ERISA Plan fiduciary should determine whether, under the general fiduciary standards of investment prudence and diversification, an investment in the Securities is appropriate for the ERISA Plan, taking into account the overall investment policy of the ERISA Plan, the composition of the ERISA Plan's investment portfolio, and the risk/return characteristics of the Securities.

### **PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION**

The Placed Securities will be privately placed inside the United States by IXIS Securities North America Inc. and outside the United States by IXIS Corporate & Investment Bank, as placement agents (each, in such capacity, a "**Placement Agent**"). Pursuant to a Placement Agency Agreement (the "**Placement Agency Agreement**") among the Co-Issuers and IXIS Securities North America Inc., as lead manager (the "**Lead Manager**") for the Placement Agents, the Placement Agents will agree, subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions, to use their reasonable efforts to place the Placed Securities on behalf of the Issuer. Either of the Placement Agents may, but will not be obligated to, purchase the Placed Securities as principal with a view to the resale and distribution thereof, and any such resales may be made by it at negotiated prices. In addition, each of the Placement Agents reserves the right to pay a fee to any purchaser of the Placed Securities, and any Affiliate of the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager may also pay a fee to any purchaser, in connection with such purchaser's participation in the transaction.

The Issuer will agree to sell, and the Portfolio Manager and/or its Affiliates will agree to purchase, the Preference Shares not forming a part of the Placed Securities in a privately negotiated transaction. Neither of the Placement Agents is acting as a placement agent or initial purchaser with respect to those Preference Shares sold directly by the Issuer to the Portfolio Manager and/or its Affiliates.

In the Placement Agency Agreement, each of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer will agree to indemnify the Placement Agents against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, or to contribute to payments the Placement Agents may be required to make in respect thereof. In addition, the Issuer will agree to reimburse the Placement Agents for certain of its expenses incurred in connection with the closing of the transactions contemplated hereby.

The Co-Issuers have been advised by the Placement Agents that the Placement Agents propose to arrange the sale of the Placed Securities to certain non-U.S. persons in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act and to Accredited Investors who are also Qualified Purchasers in transactions exempt under Section 4(2) of the Securities Act. Pursuant to the Placement Agency Agreement, the Placement Agents will be entitled to placement fees from the Issuer for placing the Placed Securities.

No action has been taken or will be taken by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Placed Securities or possession or distribution of any offering memorandum (in preliminary or final form) or any amendment thereof, or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Placed Securities in any jurisdiction where, or in any other circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. No offers, sales or deliveries of any Placed Securities, or distribution of any offering memorandum (in preliminary or final form) or any other offering material relating to the Placed Securities, may be made in or from any jurisdiction except in circumstances that will result in compliance with any applicable laws and regulations and will not impose any obligations on the Issuer or the Placement Agents. Because of the restrictions contained in the front of this Offering Memorandum,

purchasers are advised to consult legal counsel prior to making any offer, resale, pledge or transfer of the Placed Securities.

In the Placement Agency Agreement, each Placement Agent will agree that it or one or more of its Affiliates will arrange the sale of the Placed Securities only to or with, (a) purchasers it reasonably believes to be (i) Accredited Investors and (ii)(A) Qualified Purchasers or, with respect to the Preference Shares and the Composite Securities only, Knowledgeable Employees or (B) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers or, with respect to the Preference Shares and the Composite Securities only, Knowledgeable Employees and (b) non-U.S. Persons in Offshore Transactions pursuant to Regulation S. Resales of the Placed Securities offered in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act, as the case may be, are restricted as described under the “Transfer Restrictions.” As used in this paragraph, the terms “United States” and “U.S.” have the meanings given to them by Regulation S.

The Placed Securities are a new issue of securities for which there is currently no market. The Placement Agents are not under any obligation to make a market in any class of the Placed Securities and any market making activity, if commenced, may be discontinued at any time. There can be no assurance that a secondary market for any class of the Placed Securities will develop, or if one does develop, that it will continue. Accordingly, no assurance can be given as to the liquidity of or trading market for the Placed Securities.

The Co-Issuers extend to each prospective investor the opportunity to ask questions of, and receive answers from, the Co-Issuers or a person or persons acting on behalf of the Co-Issuers, including the Placement Agents concerning the Securities and the terms and conditions of this offering and to obtain any additional information it may consider necessary in making an informed investment decision and any information in order to verify the accuracy of the information set forth herein, to the extent the Co-Issuers possess the same. Requests for such additional information can be directed to IXIS Securities North America Inc., 9 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street, 36<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10019 Attention: Structured Credit Products Group.

## **SETTLEMENT AND CLEARING**

### **Book Entry Registration of the Global Securities**

So long as the Depository, or its nominee, is the registered owner or Holder of a Global Security, the Depository or the nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the sole owner or Holder of the Notes or the Preference Shares represented by a Global Security for all purposes under the Indenture, the Issuer Charter, the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement and the Global Securities, and members of, or participants in, the Depository as well as any other persons on whose behalf the participants may act (including Clearstream and Euroclear and account holders and participants therein) will have no rights under the Indenture, the Issuer Charter, the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement or a Global Security. Owners of beneficial interests in a Global Security will not be considered to be owners or Holders of the related Note or Preference Share under the Indenture, the Issuer Charter or the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement. Unless the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers (or, with respect to the Composite Securities or the Preference Shares, the Issuer) that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for a Global Security or ceases to be a “clearing agency” registered under the Exchange Act, owners of a beneficial interest in a Global Security will not be entitled to have any portion of a Global Security registered in their names, will not receive or be entitled to receive physical delivery of Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares in certificated form and will not be considered to be the owners or Holders of any Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares under the Indenture or the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement. In addition, no beneficial owner of an interest in a Global Security will be able to transfer that interest except in accordance with the Depository’s applicable procedures (in addition to those under the Indenture, the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement and, if applicable, those of Euroclear and Clearstream).

Investors may hold their interests in a Regulation S Global Note, Regulation S Global Composite Security or Regulation S Global Preference Share directly through Clearstream or Euroclear, if they are participants in Clearstream or Euroclear, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in Clearstream or Euroclear. Clearstream and Euroclear will hold interests in the Regulation S Global Notes, Regulation S Global Composite Securities and Regulation S Global Preference Shares on behalf of their participants through their respective depositories, which in turn will hold the interests in Regulation S Global Notes, Regulation S Global Composite Securities and Regulation S Global Notes in customers' securities accounts in the depositories' names on the books of the Depository. Investors may hold their interests in a Rule 144A Global Note directly through the Depository if they are participants in the Depository, or in directly through organizations that are participants in the Depository.

Payments of principal of, or interest or other distributions on a Global Security will be made to the Depository or its nominee, as the registered owner thereof. The Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the paying agents, the Placement Agents, the Portfolio Manager and their respective Affiliates will not have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests in a Global Security or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to the beneficial ownership interests.

The Co-Issuers expect that the Depository or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment of principal, interest, or other distributions in respect of a Global Security representing any Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be, held by it or its nominee, will immediately credit participants' accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the stated aggregate principal amount or number of a Global Security for the Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares, as the case may be, as shown on the records of the Depository or its nominee. The Co-Issuers also expect that payments by participants to owners of beneficial interests in a Global Security held through the participants will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers registered in the names of nominees for those customers. The payments will be the responsibility of the participants.

### **Global Security Settlement Procedures**

Transfers between the participants in the Depository will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with the Depository rules and will be settled in immediately available funds. The laws of some states require that certain persons take physical delivery of securities in definitive form. Consequently, the ability to transfer beneficial interests in a Global Security to these persons may be limited. Because the Depository can only act on behalf of participants, who in turn act on behalf of indirect participants and certain banks, the ability of a person holding a beneficial interest in a Global Security to pledge its interest to persons or entities that do not participate in the Depository system, or otherwise take actions in respect of its interest, may be affected by the lack of a physical certificate of the interest. Transfers between participants in Euroclear and Clearstream will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with their respective rules and operating procedures.

Subject to compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Securities described above and under "Transfer Restrictions," cross-market transfers between the Depository, on the one hand, and directly or indirectly through Euroclear or Clearstream participants, on the other, will be effected in the Depository in accordance with the Depository rules on behalf of Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, by its respective depository; *however*, the cross-market transactions will require delivery of instructions to Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, by the counterparty in the system in accordance with its rules and procedures and within its established deadlines (Brussels time). Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, will if the transaction meets its settlement requirements, deliver instructions to its respective depository to take action to effect final settlement on its behalf by delivering or receiving interests in a Note, Composite Security or Preference Share, as the case may be, represented by a Regulation S Global Note, Regulation S Global Composite Security or Regulation S Global Preference Share in the Depository and making or receiving payment in accordance with normal procedures for same-day funds settlement applicable to the Depository. Clearstream participants and

Euroclear participants may not deliver instructions directly to the depositories of Clearstream or Euroclear.

Because of time zone differences, cash received in Euroclear or Clearstream as a result of sales of interests in a Regulation S Global Note, Regulation S Global Composite Security or Regulation S Global Preference Share by or through a Euroclear or Clearstream participant to the Depository participant will be received with value on the Depository settlement date but will be available in the relevant Euroclear or Clearstream cash account only as of the business day following settlement in the Depository.

The Depository has advised the Issuer that it will take any action permitted to be taken by a Holder of Securities (including the presentation of Securities for exchange as described above) only at the direction of one or more participants in the Depository to whose account with the Depository interests in the Securities are credited and only in respect of the portion of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities as to which the participant or participants has or have given the direction.

The Depository has advised the Issuer as follows: The Depository is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a “banking organization” within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a “clearing corporation” within the meaning of the UCC and a “Clearing Agency” registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. The Depository was created to hold securities for its participants and facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of its participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates. Participants in the Depository include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations and may include certain other organizations. Indirect access to the Depository system is available to others such as banks, brokers, dealers, and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a participant, either directly or indirectly.

Although the Depository, Clearstream and Euroclear have agreed to the foregoing procedures to facilitate transfers of interests in Regulation S Global Notes, Regulation S Global Composite Securities and Regulation S Global Preference Shares among participants of the Depository, Clearstream and Euroclear, they are under no obligation to perform or continue to perform the procedures, and the procedures may be discontinued at any time. Neither the Co-Issuers nor the Trustee will have any responsibility for the performance by the Depository, Clearstream, or Euroclear or their respective participants or indirect participants of their respective obligations under the rules and procedures governing their operations.

### **TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS**

Because of the following restrictions, purchasers are advised to consult legal counsel prior to making any offer, resale, pledge or transfer of the Securities. Purchasers of Securities represented by an interest in a Regulation S Global Note, Regulation S Global Composite Security or a Regulation S Global Preference Share are advised that such interests are not transferable to U.S. Persons at any time except in accordance with the following restrictions.

Each prospective purchaser of Securities that is a U.S. Person or is purchasing the Securities in a non-Offshore Transaction (a “**U.S. Offeree**”), by accepting delivery of this Offering Memorandum, will be deemed to have represented and agreed as follows:

- (1) The U.S. Offeree acknowledges that this Offering Memorandum is personal to the U.S. Offeree and does not constitute an offer to any other person or to the public generally to subscribe for or otherwise acquire the Securities other than pursuant to transactions exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act or in Offshore Transactions in accordance with Regulation S. Distribution of this Offering Memorandum to any person other than the U.S. Offeree and those persons, if any, retained to advise the U.S. Offeree with respect thereto, and other persons that are Accredited Investors or non-U.S. Persons, is unauthorized and any disclosure of any of its contents, without the prior written consent of the Co-Issuers, is prohibited



except as authorized under “Material Income Tax Considerations— Tax Shelter Reporting Requirements.”

(2) The U.S. Offeree agrees to make no photocopies of this Offering Memorandum or any documents referred to herein and, if the U.S. Offeree does not purchase the Securities or the offering is terminated, to return this Offering Memorandum and all documents referred to herein to IXIS Securities North America Inc., 9 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street, 36<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York, 10019, Attention: Structured Credit Products Group.

Under the Indenture (with respect to the Co-Issuers) and the Preference Share Documents (with respect to the Issuer), the Co-Issuers or the Issuer will agree to comply with the requirements of Rule 144A relative to the dissemination of information to prospective purchasers in the secondary market. See “Available Information.”

The Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act and may not be offered or sold in non-Offshore Transactions or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. Persons, except to Accredited Investors in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, who are also (x) Qualified Purchasers, (y) in the case of the Preference Shares and the Composite Securities only, Knowledgeable Employees or (z) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or, in the case of the Preference Shares and the Composite Securities only, Knowledgeable Employees.

Any purported transfer of a Security not in accordance with this section shall be null and void and shall not be given effect for any purpose hereunder.

#### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes**

Each purchaser of a beneficial interest in Notes represented by a Rule 144A Global Note will be deemed to represent and agree (and each transferee of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will be required or deemed to represent and agree) as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A or Regulation S are used herein as defined therein):

(1) (A) The purchaser is an Accredited Investor and a Qualified Purchaser, (B) the purchaser is purchasing the Notes for its own account or the account of another Qualified Purchaser that is also an Accredited Investor as to which the purchaser exercises sole investment discretion, (C) the purchaser and any such account is acquiring the Notes as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (D) the purchaser and any such account was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Notes (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (E) to the extent the purchaser (or any account for which it is purchasing the Notes) is a private investment company formed on or before April 30, 1996, the purchaser and each such account has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (F) the purchaser is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (G) the purchaser is not a pension, profit-sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants or affiliates may designate the particular investment to be made, (H) the purchaser agrees that it and each such account shall not hold such Notes for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Notes or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the distributions on the Notes (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (I) the Notes purchased directly or indirectly by the purchaser or any account for which it is purchasing the Notes constitute an investment of no more than 40% of the purchaser’s and each such account’s assets (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (J) the purchaser and each such account is purchasing the Notes in a principal amount of not less than the minimum denomination requirement for the purchaser and each such account, (K) the purchaser will provide notice of the transfer restrictions set forth in the Indenture (including the exhibits thereto) to any transferee of

its Notes, and (L) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Notes to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph (1) shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(2) The purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Notes, and the purchaser, and any accounts for which it is acting, are each able to bear the economic risk of its investment.

(3) The purchaser understands that the Notes are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Notes or any beneficial interest therein, such Notes or any beneficial interest therein may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the applicable legend in respect of such Notes set forth in (6) below and the restrictions set forth in the Indenture. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager or the Placement Agents as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Notes.

(4) The purchaser is not purchasing the Notes or any beneficial interest therein with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Notes involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of its entire investment in the Notes under certain circumstances. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Co-Issuers, the Notes and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Notes or any beneficial interest therein, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Co-Issuers and the Placement Agents.

(5) In connection with the purchase of Notes or any beneficial interest therein (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Portfolio Manager by any Affiliate of or account managed by the Portfolio Manager): (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Portfolio Manager is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment advisor for the purchaser, (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Portfolio Manager or any of their respective Affiliates other than in a current offering memorandum for such Notes and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Portfolio Manager or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other person) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of the Notes or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the Indenture) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Portfolio Manager or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Notes or any beneficial interest therein reflect those in relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) if the purchaser is acting for the account of another investor, the purchaser represents that the investment on behalf of such

account is based on a determination that the investment is suitable based on the risks referred to in this Offering Memorandum (including, without limitation, the “Risk Factors” and the “Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes”), given the investment objectives of the account for which the purchase is being made, and that the investment is consistent with any applicable legal requirements; (vii) the purchaser is purchasing the Notes or any beneficial interest therein with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (viii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

(6) (i) The purchaser understands that the Notes offered to Accredited Investors in reliance on the exemption from the registration requirements under the Securities Act provided by Section 4(2) (a) will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Co-Issuers determine otherwise in accordance with applicable law, (b) will be represented by one or more Rule 144A Global Notes, and (c) may not at any time be resold, pledged or transferred to U.S. Persons that are not Qualified Institutional Buyers and either (i) Qualified Purchasers or (ii) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers. Before any interest in a Rule 144A Global Note may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a Person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note, the transferor will be required to provide the Trustee with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “**SECURITIES ACT**”), AND THE CO-ISSUERS HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**”). THE PURCHASER HEREOF, BY PURCHASING THIS NOTE, AGREES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CO-ISSUERS THAT THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN MAY BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, ONLY (A)(1) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT SO LONG AS THIS NOTE IS ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A, OR (2) TO A NON-U.S. PERSON IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION COMPLYING WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND, IN CASE OF CLAUSE (1), TO A PURCHASER THAT (W) IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WITH EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER), (X) TO THE EXTENT THE PURCHASER (OR ANY ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS PURCHASING THE NOTES) IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS, (Y) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS, AND (Z) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE, (B) IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN U.S.\$250,000 FOR THE PURCHASER AND FOR EACH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS ACTING AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE STATES OF THE UNITED STATES. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS TRANSFEREE. EACH PURCHASER OF THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE CO-

ISSUERS, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE CO-ISSUERS MAINTAIN THE RIGHT TO RESELL NOTES OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED U.S. HOLDERS (AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE INDENTURE.

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

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE AND ANY PAYING AGENT WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR SUCCESSOR APPLICABLE FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE") OR AN APPLICABLE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR SUCCESSOR APPLICABLE FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN U.S. FEDERAL BACK-UP WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THIS NOTE.

THE PURCHASER HEREOF, BY PURCHASING THIS NOTE, AGREES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CO-ISSUERS THAT THIS NOTE AND ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT TO A PERSON THAT REPRESENTS, WARRANTS AND COVENANTS THAT EITHER (I) IT IS NOT, AND IS NOT USING THE ASSETS OF, AND THROUGHOUT THE HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF SUCH NOTES WILL NOT BECOME OR TRANSFER ITS INTEREST TO, AN "EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(3) OF THE UNITED STATES EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("**ERISA**"), THAT IS SUBJECT TO ERISA, A "PLAN" DESCRIBED IN SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "**CODE**"), OR AN ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE THE ASSETS OF ANY SUCH PLAN, OR A GOVERNMENTAL, FOREIGN OR CHURCH PLAN SUBJECT TO ANY FEDERAL, STATE, FOREIGN OR LOCAL LAW THAT IS SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE OR (II) ITS PURCHASE, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF THIS NOTE WILL NOT RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE (OR IN THE CASE OF ANY GOVERNMENTAL, FOREIGN OR CHURCH PLAN, ANY FEDERAL, STATE, FOREIGN OR LOCAL LAW SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE) BECAUSE SUCH PURCHASE, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF SUCH NOTE EITHER (A) IS NOT, AND WILL NOT BECOME, SUBJECT TO SUCH LAWS, OR (B) IS COVERED BY AN EXEMPTION FROM ALL APPLICABLE PROHIBITED TRANSACTIONS, ALL OF THE CONDITIONS OF WHICH ARE AND WILL BE SATISFIED UPON THE ACQUISITION OF, AND THROUGHOUT ITS HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF, THIS NOTE. ANY PURPORTED TRANSFER OF THIS NOTE THAT DOES NOT COMPLY WITH THESE REQUIREMENTS SHALL BE NULL AND VOID *AB INITIO*.

(ii) In addition, each Regulation S Global Note representing any Note will contain the following additional legend:

EACH TRANSFEREE OF THE NOTE REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL, IF REQUIRED BY THE INDENTURE, BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE INDENTURE OR WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE.

(iii) In addition, each Regulation S Global Note representing any Note will also contain the following additional legend:

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

(7) The purchaser will provide notice to each person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Notes of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Indenture, including the exhibits referenced therein.

(8) The purchaser understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Notes or any beneficial interest therein who is a U.S. Person and who is determined not to have been both (x) an Accredited Investor, in the case of the initial purchaser, or a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) either (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers at the time of acquisition of the Notes or any beneficial interest therein to sell such interest, or to sell such interest on behalf of such purchaser, to a person that is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) either (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A or to a person that is a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S.

(9) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Notes, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase the beneficial interest in the Notes from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its beneficial interest in this Note to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(10) The purchaser understands that the Stated Maturity of the Notes is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Portfolio Manager, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

(11) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Co-Issuers that would permit a public offering of the Notes or possession or distribution of the offering memorandum with respect thereto or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Notes in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the offering memorandum relating to the Notes shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Notes in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

(12) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Notes or any beneficial interest therein by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper,

magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

(13) (a) Either (i) the purchaser is not, and is not using the assets of, and throughout the holding and disposition of the Notes will not become or transfer its interest to, an employee benefit plan or other fund or arrangement subject to Title I of ERISA, a plan subject to Section 4975(e) of the Code or a governmental, foreign or church plan which is subject to any federal, state, foreign or local law that is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or (ii) the purchaser's purchase, holding and disposition of such Notes will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any federal, state, foreign or local law that is substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code) because such purchase, holding and disposition of such Notes either (x) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws, or (y) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all of the conditions of which are and will be satisfied upon the acquisition of, and throughout its holding and disposition of, such Notes; (b) the purchaser shall not transfer an interest in such Notes to any transferee unless such transferee meets the foregoing requirements; and (c) the purchaser and any fiduciaries or other Person causing it to acquire such Notes agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agents and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of such purchaser not meeting the foregoing requirements or as a result of its transferring its interest to a transferee not meeting the foregoing requirements. Any purported purchase or transfer of the Notes to a purchaser or transferee that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph 13 shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(14) The purchaser understands that the Co-Issuers may receive a list of participants holding positions in its securities from one or more book-entry depositories.

(15) The purchaser acknowledges that the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agents and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Notes or any beneficial interest therein are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager and the Placement Agents. If the purchaser is acquiring any Notes or any beneficial interest therein as a fiduciary or agent for one or more institutional accounts, it represents that it has sole investment discretion with respect to each such account and it has full power to make the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements on behalf of such account.

(16) The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Notes or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Indenture, to which provisions the purchaser hereby agrees it is subject.

(17) The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

(18) The purchaser agrees to treat the Notes as unconditional debt of the Issuer for tax, accounting and financial reporting purposes.

(19) To the extent required by the Issuer, as determined by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Trustee, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Notes to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the U.S. Patriot Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Note to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

(20) The purchaser agrees to not cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

#### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Regulation S Global Notes**

Each purchaser of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note will be further deemed (and each transferee of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note will be required or deemed), in addition to making the representations set forth in paragraphs (3), (4), (5) and (7) through (20) above in “—Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes,” to represent and agree as follows:

The purchaser is aware that the Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or any other applicable state securities law and the sale of such Notes or any beneficial interest therein to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Regulation S and understands that the Notes offered in reliance on Regulation S will bear the appropriate legend set forth in paragraph (6) above in “—Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes” and will be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Notes. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Co-Issuers or the Placement Agents as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any other jurisdiction for resale of the Notes. The purchaser and each beneficial owner of the Notes or any beneficial interest therein that it holds is not, and will not be, a U.S. Person as defined in Regulation S and its purchase of the Notes or any beneficial interest therein will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located and will be in a principal amount of not less than U.S.\$ 250,000. The purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Notes or any beneficial interest therein, and it, and any accounts for which it is acting are each able to bear the economic risk of its investment. Before any interest in a Regulation S Global Note may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note, the transferor and the transferee will be required to provide the Trustee with written certifications as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

#### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Composite Securities**

Each initial purchaser of Certificated Composite Securities and each purchaser of Regulation S Global Composite Securities acquiring such Composite Securities from the Issuer in the initial offering will be required to represent and agree (and each transferee of a beneficial interest in such Composite Securities will be required or, other than as to paragraph (24), deemed to represent and agree) as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A or Regulation S are used herein as defined therein):

(1) If the initial purchaser is:

(A) a U.S. Offeree, such purchaser is an Accredited Investor and is aware that the sale of Composite Securities to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements provided by Section 4(2) under the Securities Act and is acquiring the Composite Securities for its own account or for one or more accounts, each of which is an Accredited Investor, and as to each of which the purchaser exercises sole investment direction, and in an amount not less than the authorized denomination permitted by the Indenture, or

(B) a non-U.S. Person, such purchaser is purchasing the Composite Securities in an Offshore Transaction not involving any directed selling efforts in the United States and is aware that the sale of Composite Securities to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from the registration requirements under the Securities Act provided by Regulation S and is acquiring the Composite Securities for its own account in an amount not less than the authorized denomination permitted by the Indenture.

In addition, the purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Composite Securities, and the purchaser, and any accounts for which it is acting, are each able to bear the economic risk of the purchaser's or its investment.

(2) The purchaser understands that the Composite Securities are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Composite Securities have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Composite Securities, such Composite Securities may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the legend in respect of such Composite Securities set forth in (5) below and the restrictions set forth in the Indenture. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager or the Placement Agents or any of their respective Affiliates as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Composite Securities.

(3) In connection with the purchase of Composite Securities (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Portfolio Manager by any Affiliate of or account managed by the Portfolio Manager): (i) none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, or the Portfolio Manager is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment advisor for the purchaser, (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty, the Trustee or the Portfolio Manager or any of their respective Affiliates other than in a current offering memorandum for such Composite Securities and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee or the Portfolio Manager or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other Person or documentation for the Composite Securities) any assurance, guarantee or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance, result, effect, consequence or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting or otherwise) of the Composite Securities or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the documentation for the Composite Securities) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee or the Portfolio Manager or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Composite Securities reflect those in the relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) if the purchaser is acting for the account of another investor, the purchaser represents that the investment on behalf of such account is based on a determination that the investment is suitable based on the risks referred to in this Offering Memorandum (including, without limitation, the "Risk Factors" and the "Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Composite Securities"), given the investment objectives of the account for which the purchase is being made, and that the investment is consistent with any applicable legal requirements; (vii) the purchaser is purchasing the Composite Securities with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it, and each account for which it is acquiring Composite Securities, is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (viii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

(4) If the purchaser is acquiring the Composite Securities pursuant to paragraph (1)(A) above, (A) the purchaser and each account for which the purchaser is acquiring Composite Securities is (i) a Qualified Purchaser, (ii) a Knowledgeable Employee or (iii) an entity owned



exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees, (B) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Composite Securities for any account, each such account) is acquiring the Composite Securities as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (C) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Composite Securities for any account, each such account) was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Composite Securities (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) a Knowledgeable Employee), (D) to the extent the purchaser or any account for which the purchaser is acquiring Composite Securities is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, the purchaser or such account has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (E) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Composite Securities for any account, each such account) agrees that it shall not hold such Composite Securities for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Composite Securities or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or other distributions on the Composite Securities (except when each person is (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) a Knowledgeable Employee) and (F) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Composite Securities to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(5) (i) The purchaser understands that the Composite Securities (A) will be represented by either one or more Certificated Composite Securities or one or more Regulation S Global Composite Security which will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Issuer determines otherwise in accordance with applicable law, and (B) (i) in the case of Composite Securities represented by an interest in a Certificated Composite Security, may only be resold, pledged or transferred to (x) non-U.S. Persons or (y) U.S. Persons that are either Qualified Institutional Buyers or Accredited Investors and either (a) Qualified Purchasers, (b) Knowledgeable Employees or (c) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees and (ii) in the case of Composite Securities represented by an interest in a Regulation S Global Composite Security, may not at any time be held by or on behalf of any person that is a U.S. Person. The purchaser understands that before the Composite Securities represented by an interest in Certificated Composite Securities may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred, the transferee will be required to provide the Trustee and the Issuer with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THE COMPOSITE SECURITIES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "**SECURITIES ACT**"), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE "**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**"). THE COMPOSITE SECURITIES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A)(1) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE COMPOSITE SECURITIES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A, (2) TO AN ACCREDITED INVESTOR (AS DEFINED IN RULE 501(a) UNDER REGULATION D UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT) IN A TRANSACTION EXEMPT FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, OR (3) TO A NON-U.S. PERSON IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND, IN THE CASE OF CLAUSES (1) AND (2), TO A PURCHASER THAT (X) IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION (3)(C)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS

NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER OR KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEE) THAT HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (Y) IS A KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEE (AS DEFINED IN RULE 3C-5 UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT) WITH RESPECT TO THE ISSUER OR (Z) IS AN ENTITY OWNED EXCLUSIVELY BY QUALIFIED PURCHASERS AND/OR KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEES, (B) IN EACH CASE, IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN U.S.\$100,000 OF COMPOSITE SECURITIES SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE FOR THE PURCHASER AND FOR EACH SUCH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS ACTING, AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE COMPOSITE SECURITIES REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE COMPOSITE SECURITIES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE (OR WILL BE DEEMED TO MAKE) THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE.

THE COMPOSITE SECURITIES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY BE PURCHASED BY OR TRANSFERRED TO A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR CONTROLLING PERSON (EACH AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE) ONLY UPON THE SATISFACTION OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID AB INITIO, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE PURCHASER OR TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY.

IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL ANY COMPOSITE SECURITIES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED U.S. HOLDERS (AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE INDENTURE.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER AND ANY TRUSTEE, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) SHALL RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF U.S. FEDERAL BACK-UP WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THE COMPOSITE SECURITIES REPRESENTED HEREBY.

(ii) In addition, each Certificated Composite Security will contain the following additional legend:

EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN THE FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE INDENTURE.

(iii) In addition, each Regulation S Global Composite Security representing any Composite Security will contain the following additional legend:

EACH TRANSFEREE OF THE COMPOSITE SECURITIES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL, IF REQUIRED BY THE INDENTURE, BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN THE FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE INDENTURE OR WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE.

(iv) in addition, each Regulation S Global Composite Security representing any Composite Security will also contain the following additional legend:

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

(6) The purchaser will provide notice to each Person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Composite Securities of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Indenture, including the exhibits referenced in the Indenture.

(7) The purchaser understands that the Indenture permits the Trustee to compel any holder of the Composite Securities who is a U.S. Person and who is determined not to have been both (x) either a Qualified Institutional Buyer or Accredited Investor and (y) either (i) a Qualified Purchaser, (ii) a Knowledgeable Employee or (iii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees, at the time of acquisition of the Composite Securities to sell such Composite Securities, or to sell such Composite Securities on behalf of such purchaser, to a person that is both (x) either a Qualified Institutional Buyer or Accredited Investor and (y) either (i) a Qualified Purchaser, (ii) a Knowledgeable Employee or (iii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees, in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act or to a person that is a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S. The purchaser also understands that any transfer to an Accredited Purchaser may require delivery of an opinion of counsel evidencing that such transfer may be made pursuant to an exemption from registration under the Securities Act, as described in the Indenture.

(8) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Composite Securities, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase the beneficial interest in the Composite Securities from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its beneficial interest in this Composite Security to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(9) The purchaser understands that the Stated Maturity of the Composite Securities is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Composite Securities at the option of the Portfolio Manager, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

(10) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Composite Securities or possession or distribution of the offering memorandum with respect thereto or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Composite Securities in any

jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the offering memorandum relating to the Composite Securities shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Composite Securities in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

(11) The purchaser understands that in the case of any vote to remove the Portfolio Manager, the Management Agreement permits the Portfolio Manager to purchase the beneficial interest in the Composite Securities from any Holder of Composite Securities that voted to remove the Portfolio Manager at the applicable Buy-Out Amount; and such Holder of Composite Securities will be required to sell its beneficial interest in the Composite Securities to the Portfolio Manager at such price.

(12) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Composite Securities by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

(13) The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agents and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Composite Securities are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and the Placement Agents. If it is acquiring any Composite Securities as a fiduciary or agent for one or more institutional accounts, it represents that it has sole investment discretion with respect to each such account and it has full power to make the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements on behalf of such account.

(14) The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Composite Securities or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Indenture, to which provisions the purchaser hereby agrees it is subject.

(15) The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

(16) The purchaser agrees to treat the Composite Securities, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, as consisting of (a) in the case of the Class 1 Composite Securities, the separate Class D-2 Notes and Preference Shares, and (b) in the case of the Class 2 Composite Securities, the separate Class C Notes and the Preference Shares, in each case corresponding to the applicable Components of such Composite Securities.

(17) To the extent required by the Issuer, as determined by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Trustee and the Note Registrar, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Composite Securities to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the U.S. Patriot Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Composite Security to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

(18) The purchaser agrees to not cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

(19) The purchaser is not purchasing the Composite Securities with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that the Composite Securities will be highly illiquid and are not suitable for short-

term trading. The Preference Share Component of the Composite Securities is a leveraged investment in the Collateral Obligations that may expose the Composite Securities to disproportionately large changes in value. Payments in respect of the Composite Securities are not guaranteed as they are dependent on the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations. The purchaser understands that it is possible that, due to the structure of the transaction and the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations, dividends or other distributions in respect of the Composite Securities may be reduced or eliminated entirely. Furthermore, the Preference Share Component of the Composite Securities constitutes equity in the Issuer, is not secured by the Collateral and (together with the remainder of the Preference Shares) will rank behind all creditors (secured and unsecured and whether known or unknown) of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the holders of the Notes, and any Hedge Counterparties. The Issuer has assets limited to the Collateral for payment of all Classes of the Notes and dividends and other distributions on the Composite Securities and the remainder of the Preference Shares, and the Preference Share Component of the Composite Securities and such other Preference Shares bear, *pro rata*, the first risk of loss. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Composite Securities involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of all or a substantial part of its investment. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Issuer, the Composite Securities and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Composite Securities, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Issuer and the Placement Agents.

(20) The purchaser understands and agrees that (i) no purchase or transfer may be made that would result in any person or entity holding beneficial ownership in any Composite Securities in less than an authorized denomination as set forth in the Indenture and (ii) no purchase or transfer of the Composite Securities that would have the effect of requiring either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral to register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act will be permitted.

(21) If the purchaser is a bank (within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code) or an Affiliate of a bank, the purchaser is a person (or a wholly owned Affiliate of a person) that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States.

(22) The purchaser understands that, prior to any sale or other transfer of any interest in Composite Securities held in the form of a Certificated Composite Security, it (or the transferee, as applicable) will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Trustee a duly executed transfer certificate substantially in the form provided in the Indenture and such other certificates and other information as they may reasonably require to confirm that the proposed transfer complies with the restrictions in the legend placed on each certificate representing the Composite Securities and in the Indenture.

(23) The purchaser understands and agrees that (a) no purchase or transfer of the Composite Securities or interest therein or Component thereof to a purchaser or transferee that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person (each as defined under United States Department of Labor Regulations 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101) will be effective, and the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Trustee will not recognize or register such purchase or transfer, if such purchase or transfer would result in (i) Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Component of any Composite Security and determined pursuant to 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101, the Preference Share Documents and the Indenture) or (ii) a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law) and (b) except for purchases directly from the Issuer and accepted by the Placement Agents no purchase or transfer of the Composite Securities or interest therein or component thereof may

be made by or to a purchaser or transferee that wishes to take delivery in the form of a Regulation S Global Composite Security that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person. The purchaser further understands and agrees that any transfer in violation of the applicable provisions of the Preference Share Documents, the Indenture and the representations and agreements in this paragraph (23) will be null and void *ab initio*. For purposes of the determination described in clause (a)(i) of the preceding sentence, the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Component of any Composite Security) held by the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Portfolio Manager, any of their respective affiliates (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) and any other persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons (and not a Benefit Plan Investor) will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding. The purchaser's acquisition, holding and disposition of the Composite Securities will not result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law), because such purchase, holding and disposition either (a) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (b) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all conditions of which are and will be been satisfied throughout its holding and disposition of such Composite Securities. The purchaser and any Person causing it to acquire the Composite Securities agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Placement Agents, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Portfolio Manager and their respective affiliates from any cost, damage, or loss incurred by them as a result of a breach of the representations set forth in this paragraph (23) or of the representations described in paragraph (24) and paragraph (25), as applicable. If the purchaser is an insurance company investing through its general account as defined in PTCE 95-60, for so long as it holds the Composite Securities, such purchaser shall meet the requirements pertaining to the percentage of the assets of such insurance company general account that can be treated as plan assets for purposes of calculating the 25% threshold under the significant participation test of the Plan Asset Regulation (29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)). The purchaser understands that the representations made in this paragraph (23) will be deemed made on each day from the date hereof through and including the date on which the purchaser disposes of its interests in the Composite Securities. The purchaser agrees that it will not sell, pledge or otherwise transfer any Composite Securities in violation of the foregoing.

(24) The funds that the purchaser is using or will use to purchase the Composite Securities are or are not assets of a person who is or at any time while the Composite Securities are held by the purchaser will be (A) an "employee benefit plan" as defined in Section 3(3) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("**ERISA**"), whether or not such plan is subject to Title I of ERISA, including, without limitation, foreign, church and governmental plans, (B) a "plan" described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "**Code**") or (C) an entity whose underlying assets would be deemed to include "plan assets" of either of the foregoing by reason of the investment by an employee benefit plan or other plan in the entity within the meaning of 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 or otherwise (the plans and persons described in clauses (A), (B) and (C) being referred to as "**Benefit Plan Investors**"). For purposes of making this determination, foreign benefit plans, government or church plans, Keoghs and individual retirement accounts ("**IRAs**") are typically considered Benefit Plan Investors.

The purchaser is or is not the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager or any other person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer, or any "affiliate" (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) of any such person (any such person, a "**Controlling Person**").

In addition, each transferee of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Composite Security will be deemed to represent and agree as follows:

(25) The purchaser is not, is not using the assets of, and upon its acquisition and throughout its holding and disposition of, such Composite Securities, it will not be or become or transfer any interest therein to, a Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person.

### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Preference Shares**

Each initial purchaser of Certificated Preference Shares and each initial purchaser of Regulation S Global Preference Shares acquiring such Preference Shares from the Issuer in the initial offering will be required to enter into a subscription agreement with the Issuer pursuant to which each such initial purchaser will be required to represent and agree (and each subsequent transferee of Regulation S Global Preference Shares will be required or, other than as to paragraph (24), deemed to have represented and agreed) in each case as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A or Regulation S are used herein as defined therein):

(1) If the purchaser is:

(A) a U.S. Offeree, such purchaser is an Accredited Investor and is aware that the sale of Preference Shares to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements provided by Section 4(2) under the Securities Act and is acquiring the Preference Shares for its own account or for one or more accounts, each of which is an Accredited Investor, and as to each of which the purchaser exercises sole investment discretion, and in a number not less than the minimum lot for the purchaser and each such account, or

(B) a non-U.S. Person, such purchaser is purchasing the Preference Shares in an Offshore Transaction not involving any directed selling efforts in the United States and is aware that the sale of Preference Shares to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from the registration requirements under the Securities Act provided by Regulation S and is acquiring the Preference Shares for its own account in a number not less than the minimum lot.

In addition, the purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Preference Shares, and the purchaser, and any accounts for which it is acting, are each able to bear the economic risk of the purchaser's or its investment.

(2) The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Preference Shares have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Preference Shares, such Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the legend in respect of such Preference Shares set forth in (7) below and the restrictions set forth in the Preference Share Documents. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager or the Placement Agents or any of their respective Affiliates as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Preference Shares.

(3) The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Preference Shares or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Preference Share Documents, to which provisions the purchaser agrees it is subject.

(4) The purchaser is not purchasing the Preference Shares with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares will be highly illiquid and are not suitable for short-term trading. The Preference Shares are a leveraged investment in the Collateral Obligations that may expose the Preference Shares to disproportionately large changes in value. Payments in respect of the Preference Shares are not guaranteed as they are dependent on the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations. The purchaser understands that it is possible that, due to the structure of the transaction and the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations, dividends or other distributions in respect of the Preference Shares may be reduced or eliminated entirely. Furthermore, the Preference Shares constitute equity in the Issuer, are not secured by the Collateral and will rank behind all creditors (secured and unsecured and whether known or unknown) of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the holders of the Notes, and any Hedge Counterparties. The Issuer has assets limited to the Collateral for payment of all Classes of the Notes and dividends and other distributions on the Preference Shares, and the Preference Shares bear, pro rata, the first risk of loss. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Preference Shares involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of all or a substantial part of its investment. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Issuer, the Preference Shares and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Preference Shares, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Issuer and the Placement Agents.

(5) In connection with the purchase of Preference Shares (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Portfolio Manager by any Affiliate of or account managed by the Portfolio Manager): (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, or the Portfolio Manager is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment advisor for the purchaser, (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Portfolio Manager or any of their respective Affiliates other than in a current offering memorandum for such Preference Shares and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Portfolio Manager or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other Person or documentation for the Preference Shares) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of the Preference Shares or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the documentation for the Preference Shares) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Portfolio Manager or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Preference Shares reflect those in relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) if the purchaser is acting for the account of another investor, the purchaser represents that the investment on behalf of such account is based on a determination that the investment is suitable based on the risks referred to in this Offering Memorandum (including, without limitation, the "Risk Factors" and the "Transfer Restrictions Applicable to the Preference Shares"), given the investment objectives of the account for which the purchase is being made, and that the investment is consistent with any applicable legal requirements; (vii) the purchaser is purchasing the Preference Shares with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of



assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (viii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

(6) If the purchaser is acquiring the Preference Shares pursuant to paragraph (1)(A) above, (A) the purchaser and each account for which the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares is (i) a Qualified Purchaser, (ii) a Knowledgeable Employee or (iii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees, (B) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares for any account, each such account) is acquiring the Preference Shares as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (C) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares for any account, each such account) was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Preference Shares (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) a Knowledgeable Employee), (D) to the extent the purchaser or any account for which the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, the purchaser or such account has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (E) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares for any account, each such account) agrees that it shall not hold such Preference Shares for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Preference Shares or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or other distributions on the Preference Shares (except when each person is (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) a Knowledgeable Employee) and (F) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Preference Shares to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(7) (i) The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares (A) will be represented by either one or more Certificated Preference Shares or Regulation S Global Preference Shares which will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Issuer determines otherwise in accordance with applicable law, and (B) (i) in the case of Preference Shares represented by an interest in a Certificated Preference Share, may only be resold, pledged or transferred to (x) non-U.S. Persons or (y) U.S. Persons that are either Qualified Institutional Buyers or Accredited Investors and either (a) Qualified Purchasers, (b) Knowledgeable Employees or (c) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees and (ii) in the case of Preference Shares represented by an interest in a Regulation S Global Preference Share, may not at any time be held by or on behalf of any person that is a U.S. Person. The purchaser understands that before the Preference Shares represented by an interest in Certificated Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred, the transferee will be required to provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Issuer with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “**SECURITIES ACT**”), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**”). THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A)(1) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE PREFERENCE SHARES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A, (2) TO AN ACCREDITED INVESTOR (AS DEFINED IN RULE 501(a) UNDER REGULATION D UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT) IN A TRANSACTION EXEMPT FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, OR (3) TO A NON-U.S. PERSON IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF

REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND, IN THE CASE OF CLAUSES (1) AND (2), TO A PURCHASER THAT (X) IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(C)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER OR KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEE) THAT HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (Y) IS A KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEE (AS DEFINED IN RULE 3C-5 UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT) WITH RESPECT TO THE ISSUER OR (Z) IS AN ENTITY OWNED EXCLUSIVELY BY QUALIFIED PURCHASERS AND/OR KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEES, (B) IN EACH CASE, IN A NUMBER OF NOT LESS THAN 100 PREFERENCE SHARES FOR THE PURCHASER AND FOR EACH SUCH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS ACTING, AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE (OR WILL BE DEEMED TO MAKE) THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID *AB INITIO*, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL ANY PREFERENCE SHARES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED U.S. HOLDERS (AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER AND ANY PAYING AGENT, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) SHALL RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF U.S. FEDERAL BACK-UP WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY.

(ii) In addition, each Certificated Preference Share will contain the following additional legend:

EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

(iii) In addition, each Regulation S Global Preference Share will contain the following additional legend:

EACH TRANSFEREE OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL, IF REQUIRED BY THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS, BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS OR WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

(iv) In addition, each Regulation S Global Preference Share will also contain the following additional legend:

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

(8) The purchaser will provide notice to each Person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Preference Shares of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Preference Share Documents, including the exhibits referenced in the Preference Share Documents.

(9) The purchaser understands that the Preference Share Documents permit the Issuer to compel any holder of the Preference Shares who is a U.S. Person and who is determined not to have been both (x) either a Qualified Institutional Buyer or Accredited Investor and (y) either (i) a Qualified Purchaser, (ii) a Knowledgeable Employee or (iii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees, at the time of acquisition of the Preference Shares to sell such Preference Shares, or to sell such Preference Shares on behalf of such purchaser, to a person that is both (x) either a Qualified Institutional Buyer or Accredited Investor and (y) either (i) a Qualified Purchaser, (ii) a Knowledgeable Employee or (iii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees, in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act or to a person that is a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S. The purchaser also understands that any transfer to an Accredited Purchaser may require delivery of an opinion of counsel evidencing that such transfer may be made pursuant to an exemption from registration under the Securities Act, as described in the Preference Share Documents.

(10) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Preference Shares or possession or distribution of the offering memorandum with respect thereto or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Preference Shares in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the offering memorandum relating to the Preference Shares shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Preference Shares in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

(11) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Preference Shares, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase the beneficial interest in the Preference Shares from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its beneficial interest in the Preference Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(12) The purchaser understands that the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Portfolio Manager, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

(13) The purchaser understands that in the case of any vote to remove the Portfolio Manager, the Management Agreement permits the Portfolio Manager to purchase the beneficial interest in the Preference Shares from any Holder of Preference Shares that voted to remove the Portfolio Manager at the applicable Buy-Out Amount; and such Holder of Preference Shares will be required to sell its beneficial interest in the Preference Shares to the Portfolio Manager at such price.

(14) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Preference Shares by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

(15) The purchaser agrees to treat the Preference Shares as equity of the Issuer for U.S. federal, state and local income tax purposes, if applicable.

(16) The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agents and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Preference Shares are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and the Placement Agents. If it is acquiring any Preference Shares as a fiduciary or agent for one or more institutional accounts, it represents that it has sole investment discretion with respect to each such account and it has full power to make the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements on behalf of such account.

(17) The purchaser, if not a U.S. Person, either (i) is not a bank (within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code) or an Affiliate of a bank or (ii) is a person (or a wholly owned Affiliate of a person) that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States.

(18) To the extent required by the Issuer, as determined by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Preference Shares to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the U.S. Patriot Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Preference Share to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

(19) The purchaser agrees to not cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

(20) The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

(21) The purchaser understands that, prior to any sale or other transfer of any interest in Preference Shares held in the form of a Certificated Preference Share, it (or the transferee, as applicable) will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent a duly executed transfer certificate substantially in the form provided in the Preference Share Documents and such other certificates and other information as they may reasonably require to confirm that the proposed transfer complies with the restrictions in the legend placed on each certificate representing the Preference Shares and in the Preference Share Documents.

(22) The purchaser understands and agrees that (a) no purchase or transfer of the Preference Shares to a purchaser or transferee that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan

Investor or a Controlling Person (each as defined under United States Department of Labor Regulations, 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101) will be effective, and the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent will not recognize or register such purchase or transfer, if such purchase or transfer would result in (i) Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components) (determined pursuant to 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents) or (ii) a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law) and (b) except for initial purchases from the Issuer in the initial offering, no purchase or transfer of the Preference Shares may be made by or to a purchaser or transferee that wishes to take delivery in the form of a Regulation S Global Preference Share that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person. The purchaser or transferee further understands and agrees that any transfer in violation of the applicable provisions of the Preference Share Documents will be null and void *ab initio*. For purposes of the determination described in clause (a)(i) of the preceding sentence, the Preference Shares held by the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, any of their respective affiliates (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) and any other persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding unless such person is also a Benefit Plan Investor. The purchaser's acquisition, holding and disposition of the Preference Shares will not result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law), because such purchase, holding and disposition either (a) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (b) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all conditions of which are and will be been satisfied throughout its holding and disposition of such Preference Shares. The purchaser and any Person causing it to acquire the Preference Shares agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agents and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage, or loss incurred by them as a result of a breach of the representations set forth in this paragraph (22), paragraph (23) and paragraph (24). If the purchaser is an insurance company investing through its general account as defined in PTCE 95-60, for so long as it holds the Preference Shares, such purchaser shall meet the requirements pertaining to the percentage of the assets of such insurance company general account that can be treated as plan assets for purposes of calculating the 25% threshold under the significant participation test of the Plan Asset Regulation (29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)).

(23) The funds that the purchaser is using or will use to purchase the Preference Shares are or are not assets of a person who is or at any time while the Preference Shares are held by the purchaser will be (A) an "employee benefit plan" as defined in Section 3(3) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("**ERISA**"), whether or not such plan is subject to Title I of ERISA, including, without limitation, foreign, church and governmental plans, (B) a "plan" described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "**Code**") or (C) an entity whose underlying assets would be deemed to include "plan assets" of either of the foregoing by reason of the investment by an employee benefit plan or other plan in the entity within the meaning of 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 or otherwise (the plans and persons described in clauses (A), (B) and (C) being referred to as "**Benefit Plan Investors**"). For purposes of making this determination, foreign benefit plans, government or church plans, Keoghs and individual retirement accounts ("**IRAs**") are typically considered Benefit Plan Investors.

The purchaser is or is not the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager or any other person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer, or any "affiliate" (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) of any such person (any such person, a "**Controlling Person**").

In addition, each transferee of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Preference Share will be deemed to represent and agree as follows:

(24) The purchaser is not, is not using the assets of, and upon its acquisition and throughout its holding and disposition of, such Preference Shares, it will not be or become or transfer any interest therein to, a Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person.

(25) The purchaser understands and agrees that (i) no purchase or transfer may be made that would result in any person or entity holding beneficial ownership in any Preference Shares in less than an authorized number as set forth in the Preference Share Documents and (ii) no purchase or transfer of the Preference Shares that would have the effect of requiring either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral to register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act will be permitted.

### **LISTING AND GENERAL INFORMATION**

1. The Issuer and the Co-Issuer accept responsibility for the information contained in this document. To the best knowledge and belief of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, the information contained in this document is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

2. Application will be made to list the Securities (other than the Preference Shares) on the Irish Stock Exchange. However, there can be no assurance that any admission will be granted or maintained. In connection with the listing of the Securities (other than the Preference Shares) on the Irish Stock Exchange, the listing particulars will be filed with the Registrar of Companies of Ireland, pursuant to Regulation 13 of the European Community (Stock Exchange) regulations, 1984 of Ireland. Prior to the listing, a legal notice relating to the issue of the Notes and the Composite Securities and copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer will be deposited with AIB International Financial Services Ltd. and at the principal office of the Issuer, where copies thereof may be obtained, free of charge, upon request.

3. As long as any of the Notes or the Composite Securities are Outstanding and listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer, the Administration Agreement, the Resolutions, the resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer authorizing the issuance of the Notes, the Indenture, the Management Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, any Hedge Agreement and the Monthly Report will be available for inspection at the offices of the Co-Issuers and the Irish Paying Agent in the City of Dublin, where copies thereof may be obtained upon request.

4. For fourteen days following the date of listing of the Notes and the Composite Securities on the Irish Stock Exchange, copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer, the Administration Agreement, the Resolutions, the resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer authorizing the issuance of the Notes, the Indenture, the Management Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and any Hedge Agreement will be available for inspection at the principal office of the Co-Issuers and the Irish Paying Agent in the City of Dublin and copies thereof may be obtained upon request.

5. Copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer, the Administration Agreement, the Resolutions, the resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer authorizing the issuance of the Notes, the Indenture, the Management Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, any Hedge Agreement and the Monthly Report prepared by the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer containing information relating to the Collateral will be available for inspection so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding in the City of Houston, Texas at the office of the Trustee.

6. Each of the Co-Issuers represents that as of the date of this Offering Memorandum, there has been no material adverse change in its financial position since its date of incorporation. Since its date of incorporation, neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has commenced operations, other than the Issuer purchasing certain Collateral Obligations and selling participation interests therein pursuant the Warehousing Agreement preparatory to the offering of the Securities, and no annual reports or accounts have been prepared as of the date of this Offering Memorandum.

7. The Co-Issuers are not involved in any litigation or arbitration proceedings (including any such proceedings which are pending or threatened of which the Co-Issuers are aware) which may have or have had within the last twelve (12) months a significant effect on the financial position of the Co-Issuers.

8. The issuance of the Securities was authorized and approved by the Board of Directors of the Issuer by the Resolutions. The issuance of the Notes was authorized and approved by the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer by resolutions passed on or before the Closing Date.

9. Since the date of their incorporation, no financial statements of the Co-Issuers have been prepared. The Issuer is not required by Cayman Islands law to publish financial statements, and does not intend to publish any financial statements. The Issuer is required to provide written confirmation to the Trustee, on an annual basis, that no Event of Default or other matter that is required to be brought to the Trustee's attention has occurred.

### IDENTIFYING NUMBERS

The Notes sold in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S and represented by Regulation S Global Notes have been accepted for clearance under the Common Codes in the table below. The table also lists the CUSIP (CINS) Numbers and the International Securities Identification Numbers (ISIN).

Security	CUSIP	Common Code	ISIN
<b>Class A Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	471318 AA 3	022351044	US471318AA32
Regulation S Global Notes	G5083X AA 7	022340433	USG5083XAA75
<b>Class B Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	471318 AB 1	022351109	US471318AB15
Regulation S Global Notes	G5083X AB 5	022340590	USG5083XAB58
<b>Class C Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	471318 AC 9	022351141	US471318AC97
Regulation S Global Notes	G5083X AC 3	022340620	USG5083XAC32
<b>Class D-1 Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	471318 AD 7	022351184	US471318AD70
Regulation S Global Notes	G5083X AD 1	022340743	USG5083XAD15
<b>Class D-2 Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	471318 AE 5	022351214	US471318AE53
Regulation S Global Notes	G5083X AE 9	022340824	USG5083XAE97
<b>Class 1 Composite Securities</b>			
Certificated Composite Security (Rule 144A)	471315 AA 9	N/A	US471315AA92
Certificated Composite Security (Regulation D)	471315 AB 7	N/A	US471315AB75
Regulation S Global Composite Security	G5083W AA 9	022340948	USG5083WAA92
<b>Class 2 Composite Securities</b>			
Certificated Composite Security (Rule 144A)	471315 AC 5	N/A	US471315AC58
Certificated Composite Security (Regulation D)	471315 AD 3	N/A	US471315AD32
Regulation S Global Composite Security	G5083W AB 7	022340972	USG5083WAB75
<b>Preference Shares</b>			
Certificated Preference Shares (Rule 144A)	471315 02 0	N/A	US4713152001
Regulation S Global Preference Shares	G5083W 10 1	022340891	KYG5083W1015

### LEGAL MATTERS

Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Co-Issuers and the Placement Agents by Latham & Watkins LLP, New York, New York. Certain matters with respect to Cayman Islands corporate law and tax law will be passed upon for the Issuer by Ogier & Boxalls, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Portfolio Manager by Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, Los Angeles, California.



## GLOSSARY OF DEFINED TERMS

**“Accrued Interest On Sale”** means interest accrued on a Collateral Obligation at the time of sale or other disposition to the extent paid to the Issuer as part of the sale or other disposition price of the Collateral Obligation after deduction of any amount representing Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal”** means (i) interest accrued on or purchased with a Collateral Obligation as part of the price paid by the Issuer to acquire the Collateral Obligation less any amount of Interest Proceeds (applied as Interest Proceeds) applied by the Issuer to acquire the accrued interest at the time of purchase and (ii) interest accrued on a Warehoused Loan as part of the price paid by the Issuer to repurchase and terminate the related participation under the Warehouse Agreement.

**“Act”** means any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action to be given or taken by Noteholders, Composite Securityholders or Holders of Preference Shares under the Indenture embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments of substantially similar tenor signed by Noteholders, the Composite Securityholders or Holders of Preference Shares in person or by agents duly appointed in writing. The instruments (and the action embodied in them) are referred to as the **“Act”** of the Noteholders, the Composite Securityholders or Holders of Preference Shares signing the instruments.

**“Administrative Expense Cap”** means, an amount on any Payment Date equal to the excess of:

(i) the sum of 0.05% of the Maximum Investment Amount on the related Determination Date plus \$150,000; *over*

(ii) the sum of the amounts paid for Administrative Expenses in the twelve months preceding the current Payment Date.

**“Administrative Expenses”** means amounts due or accrued representing:

(i) tax preparation, filing, and registration fees or expenses and any other filing and registration fees owed by the Co-Issuers (including all filing, registration, and annual return fees payable to the Cayman Islands government and registered office fees);

(ii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Trustee (including all amounts under Section 6.7 of the Indenture), the Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Collateral Administrator;

(iii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Co-Issuers and of accountants, agents and counsel for either of the Co-Issuers;

(iv) fees and expenses of the Rating Agencies in connection with any rating of the Notes owed by either Co-Issuer (including fees and expenses for surveillance, credit estimates and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies);

(v) expenses and indemnities (but not Management Fees) of the Portfolio Manager if payable under the Management Agreement;

(vi) fees and expenses for third-party loan pricing services and accountants; and

(vii) amounts due (other than indemnities) to any other Person (except the Portfolio Manager) if specifically provided for in the Indenture, including fees or expenses in connection with any Securities Lending Agreement.

**“Affiliate”** or **“Affiliated”** means with respect to a Person,

- (i) any other Person who, directly or indirectly, is in control of, or controlled by, or is under common control with, the Person; or
- (ii) any other Person who is a director, officer or employee (A) of the Person, (B) of any subsidiary or parent company of the Person or (C) of any Person described in clause (i) above.

For the purposes of this definition, control of a Person shall mean the power, direct or indirect:

- (A) to vote more than 50% of the securities having ordinary voting power for the election of directors of the Person; or
- (B) to direct the corporate management and corporate policies of the Person whether by contract or otherwise (this does not include the Management Agreement unless it is amended expressly to provide those services).

For the purpose of this definition, the Administrator and its Affiliates are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Co-Issuers and the Co-Issuers are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Administrator, or any of their Affiliates.

**“Aggregate Outstanding Amount”** means, when used with respect to any of the Notes as of any date, the aggregate principal amount of such Notes on that date (including (i) the case of the Class C Notes, the Class C Component and (ii) in the case of the Class D Notes, the Class D-2 Component). When used with respect to the Preference Shares as of any date, means the number of such Preference Shares Outstanding on such date (including the Preference Share Component). When used with respect to any of the Composite Securities as of any date, the sum of the aggregate principal amount of the Notes underlying the Note Component of such Composite Securities and the aggregate face amount of the Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Component of such Composite Securities.

Except as otherwise provided herein:

- (i) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;
- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;
- (iii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes at any time shall include all Class C Deferred Interest attributed thereto; and
- (iv) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes at any time shall include all Class D Deferred Interest attributed thereto.

**“Aggregate Principal Balance”** means, when used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Principal Balances of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Principal Balance means the sum of the Principal Balances of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**“Aggregate Purchase Price Amount”** means, when used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Purchase Price Amount means the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**“Allocable Principal Balance”** means, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, the portion of the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security that is allocable to each Reference Obligation comprising such index or indices based upon allocating the Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security among such Reference Obligations in the same proportion as each Reference Obligation bears to the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security.

**“Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price”** means, the purchase price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Securities purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) to the date of purchase payable to the Non-Consenting Holder (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), plus any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment, (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since the Closing Date (and any amounts payable, if any, to the Non-Consenting Holder on the next succeeding Payment Date) would cause such Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 15.0% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); provided, however, that in any Amendment Buy-Out from and after the date on which the Non-Consenting Holders of Preference Shares have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 15.0%, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price for such Preference Shares shall be zero, (iii) in the case of the Class 1 Composite Securities, the sum of (x) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (i) in respect of the Class D-2 Notes underlying the Class D-2 Component and (y) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (ii) in respect of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 1 Composite Security Preference Share Component, and (iv) in the case of the Class 2 Composite Securities, the sum of (x) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (i) in respect of the Class C Notes underlying the Class C Component and (y) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (ii) in respect of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 2 Composite Security Preference Share Component.

**“Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser”** means the Portfolio Manager (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event that the Portfolio Manager elects not to purchase Securities from Holders pursuant to “Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out,” “Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser” shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Placement Agents) or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Portfolio Manager; *provided, however*, none of the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agents or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

**“Applicable Note Interest Rate”** means, with respect to the Notes of any Class, the Note Interest Rate with respect to such Class.

**“Applicable Percentage”** means the lesser of the Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate and the S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation as specified in the tables below. High-Yield Bonds do not include Structured Finance Obligations for this purpose.

<b>Moody's Priority Category</b>	<b>Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Synthetic Securities.....	In the case of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to the Form-Approved Synthetic Security at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security by Moody's; and</li> <li>(ii) any other Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to the Synthetic Security at the time of acquisition of the Synthetic Security.</li> </ul>
Structured Finance Obligations.....	The Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the Moody's Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 5</u> to the Indenture by reference to the type of asset and its then Moody's Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that schedule does not apply, on a case-by-case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
unsecured DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligations not covered above or below ..	As determined by Moody's on a case-by-case basis.

For High-Yield Bonds, Moody's Senior Secured Loans and Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is the rate determined pursuant to the table below based on the number of rating subcategories difference between the High-Yield Bond's or Loan's Moody's Obligation Rating and its Moody's Default Probability Rating (for purposes of clarification, if the Moody's Obligation Rating is higher than the Moody's Default Probability Rating, the rating subcategories difference will be positive and if it is lower, negative):

<b>Number of Moody's Rating Subcategories Difference Between the Moody's Obligation Rating and the Moody's Default Probability Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>High-Yield Bonds</b>
+2 or more	60.0%	45.0%	40.0%
+1	50.0%	42.5%	35.0%
0	45.0%	40.0%	30.0%
-1	40.0%	30.0%	15.0%
-2	30.0%	15.0%	10.0%
-3 or less	20.0%	10.0%	2.0%

If no Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate has been specifically assigned with respect to a Loan pursuant to the above table, and the Loan is a secured DIP Loan, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is 50.0%.

<b>S&amp;P Priority Category</b>	<b>S&amp;P Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Secured Loans other than Subordinated Lien Loans or DIP Loans.....	55.0%
Senior Unsecured Loans .....	37.5%

Second Lien Loans.....	37.5%
Subordinated Lien Loans other than a DIP Loan.....	21.5%
senior secured High-Yield Bonds (other than Structured Finance Obligations) .....	44.0%
senior unsecured High-Yield Bonds (other than Structured Finance Obligations) .....	30.0%
subordinated High-Yield Bonds (other than Structured Finance Obligations) .....	18.0%
Structured Finance Obligations.....	The S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the S&P Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 6</u> to the Indenture by reference to the type of asset and its then S&P Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that table does not apply, on a case by case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
Synthetic Securities.....	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation.
DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligation not covered above .....	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis.

“**Approved Pricing Service**” means Loan Pricing Corporation, Mark-It-Partners, Inc. or any other nationally recognized loan pricing service approved in writing by S&P.

“**Ask-Side Market Value**” means, as of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Portfolio Manager and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any lent Collateral Obligation based upon the Portfolio Manager’s commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations which are also Independent from the Portfolio Manager or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices could not be obtained, the higher of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations which are also Independent from the Portfolio Manager or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices could not be obtained, the average of the ask-side prices for the purchase of such Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Portfolio Manager) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Portfolio Manager); *provided* that if the Ask-Side Market Value of any lent Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the outstanding principal balance thereof.

“**Assigned Moody’s Rating**” means the monitored publicly available rating or the monitored estimated rating expressly assigned to a debt obligation (or facility) by Moody’s that addresses the full amount of the principal and interest promised.

“**Authorized Officer**” means, with respect to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, any Officer or agent who is authorized to act for the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, in matters relating to, and binding on, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. With respect to the Portfolio Manager, any managing member, Officer, manager, employee, partner or agent of the Portfolio Manager who is authorized to act for the Portfolio Manager in matters relating to, and binding on, the Portfolio Manager with respect to the subject matter of the request, certificate or order in question. With respect to the Trustee or any other bank or trust company acting as trustee of an express trust or as custodian, a Trust Officer. Each party may receive and accept a certification of the authority of any other party as conclusive evidence of the authority of any

Person to act, and the certification may be considered as in full force and effect until receipt by the other party of written notice to the contrary.

“**Average Life**” means, as of any Measurement Date with respect to any Collateral Obligation (other than any Defaulted Collateral Obligation), the quotient obtained by dividing:

- (i) the sum of the products of:
  - (A) the number of years (rounded to the nearest hundredth) from the Measurement Date to the respective dates of each successive scheduled payment of principal of the Collateral Obligation; and
  - (B) the respective amounts of the successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation; by
- (ii) the sum of all successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation.

“**Bank**” means JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, in its individual capacity and not as Trustee.

“**Bankruptcy Code**” means the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, Title 11 of the United States Code.

“**Bankruptcy Law**” means the Bankruptcy Code, Part V of the Companies Law (2004 Revision) of the Cayman Islands and the Bankruptcy Law (1997 Revision) of the Cayman Islands.

“**Board of Directors**” means with respect to the Issuer, the directors of the Issuer duly appointed by a resolution of the holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares or by resolution of the Board of Directors and, with respect to the Co-Issuer, the directors of the Co-Issuer duly appointed by the stockholders of the Co-Issuer.

“**Business Day**” means a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in New York City, and any other city in which the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee is located and, in the case of the final payment of principal of any Note or the final payment in respect of any Composite Security, the place of presentation of the Note or Composite Security designated by the Trustee; *provided, however* that, for purposes of determining LIBOR, “Business Day” must also be a day on which dealings in deposits in Dollars are transacted in the London interbank market. To the extent action is required of the Irish Listing Agent and Irish Paying Agent, Dublin, Ireland shall be considered in determining “Business Day” for purposes of determining when actions by the Irish Paying Agent are required.

“**Buy-out Amount**” means, with respect to (i) the Directing Preference Shares, an amount, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Directing Preference Shares since the Closing Date, would cause the Directing Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of the Portfolio Manager’s purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 15.0% (assuming such purchase date was a “Payment Date” under the Indenture), (ii) the Class 1 Composite Securities, the sum of (x) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (i) in respect of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 1 Composite Security Preference Share Component and (y) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D-2 Notes underlying the Note Component plus all accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) to the date of purchase and (iii) the Class 2 Composite Securities, the sum of (x) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (i) in respect of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 2 Composite Security Preference Share Component and (y) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes underlying the Note Component plus all accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) to the date of purchase.

**“Caa Collateral Obligations”** means the Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have a Moody’s Rating below “B3.”

**“Cash”** means such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for payment of all public and private debts.

**“CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations”** means the Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have (i) a Moody’s Rating below “B3” and/or (ii) an S&P Rating below “B-”.

**“Class”** means with all of the Notes and Composite Securities having the same priority and the same Stated Maturity and all of the Preference Shares.

**“Class 1 Composite Security Preference Share Component”** means a Component of the Class 1 Composite Securities representing an initial aggregate Face Amount of Preference Shares equal to \$5,000,000. The number of Preference Shares to which the Class 1 Composite Security Preference Share Component relates is included in (and is not in addition to) the number of Preference Shares being issued by the Issuer on the Closing Date pursuant to its Memorandum and Articles of Association. Except as otherwise specified or as the context may otherwise require or dictate or unless the Composite Securities are explicitly addressed in the same context, all references in this Offering Memorandum to the Preference Shares will include the Class 1 Composite Security Preference Share Component.

**“Class 1 Composite Security Principal Balance”** means on (i) the Closing Date \$10,000,000 and (ii) on any date of determination thereafter, the initial Class 1 Composite Security Principal Balance reduced by an amount equal to (x) the aggregate amount of distributions paid to the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities to the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities on each Payment Date prior to such date of determination in respect of its related Components pursuant to “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments” *minus* (y) the aggregate Class 1 Composite Security Stated Coupon Distributions paid to the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities on each Payment Date prior to such date of determination; *provided, however*, that, as of any date of determination prior to the Stated Maturity Date, notwithstanding the foregoing, the “Class 1 Composite Security Principal Balance” shall be deemed to be the greater of (i) the outstanding Class 1 Composite Security Principal Balance determined as of such date of determination in accordance with the foregoing definition and (ii) \$1,000.

**“Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance”** means, with respect to the rating of the Class 1 Composite Securities by Moody’s, on the Closing Date \$10,000,000 and on any date of determination thereafter, the initial Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance minus the aggregate amount of all distributions paid to the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities in respect of its related Components on all prior Payment Dates pursuant to “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

**“Class 1 Composite Security Stated Coupon”** means, with respect to the Class 1 Composite Securities, 2.0 percent per annum in respect of the Outstanding Class 1 Composite Security Principal Balance; provided that the Class 1 Composite Security Stated Coupon will be deemed to be zero beginning on the Payment Date after the Class 1 Composite Security Principal Balance has been reduced to \$1,000.

**“Class 1 Composite Security Stated Coupon Distribution”** means, with respect to the Class 1 Composite Securities as of any Payment Date, the amount that shall be calculated as the amount accrued at the Class 1 Composite Security Stated Coupon rate during the related Interest Period on the Outstanding Class 1 Composite Security Principal Balance as of such Payment Date (without giving effect to any payments to be made on such Payment Date); *provided* that the Class 1 Composite Security Stated Coupon Distribution will be deemed to be zero beginning on the Payment Date after the Class 1 Composite Security Principal Balance has been reduced to \$1,000.

**“Class 2 Composite Security Preference Share Component”** means a Component of the Class 2 Composite Securities representing an initial aggregate Face Amount of Preference Shares equal to

\$1,000,000. The number of Preference Shares to which the Class 2 Composite Security Preference Share Component relates is included in (and is not in addition to) the number of Preference Shares being issued by the Issuer on the Closing Date pursuant to its Memorandum and Articles of Association. Except as otherwise specified or as the context may otherwise require or dictate or unless the Composite Securities are explicitly addressed in the same context, all references in this Offering Memorandum to the Preference Shares will include the Class 2 Composite Security Preference Share Component.

**“Class 2 Composite Security Rated Balance”** means, with respect to the rating of the Class 2 Composite Securities by Moody’s, (i) on the Closing Date \$5,000,000 and (ii) on any date of determination thereafter, the initial Class 2 Composite Security Rated Balance reduced by an amount equal to (x) the aggregate amount of distributions paid to the Holders of the Class 2 Composite Securities on each Payment Date prior to such date of determination in respect of its related Components pursuant to “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments” minus (y) the aggregate Class 2 Composite Security Rated Coupon Distributions paid to the Holders of the Class 2 Composite Securities on each Payment Date prior to such date of determination; *provided* that if the amount of distributions paid to the Holders of the Class 2 Composite Securities on any Payment Date is less than the Class 2 Composite Security Rated Coupon Distribution for such Payment Date, then the Class 2 Composite Security Rated Balance shall be increased by such deficiency.

**“Class 2 Composite Security Rated Coupon”** means, with respect to the Class 2 Composite Securities, 0.25 percent per annum in respect of the Outstanding Principal Balance of such Class 2 Composite Securities.

**“Class A/B Coverage Tests”** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class A Notes and Class B Notes.

**“Class C Component”** means the component of the Class 2 Composite Security having an aggregate initial principal amount of \$4,000,000 and representing an equivalent initial principal amount of Class C Notes. The initial principal amount of the Class C Notes to which the Class C Component relates is included in (and is not in addition to) the initial principal amount of Class C Notes being offered on the Closing Date and described in the Indenture. Except as otherwise specified or as the context may otherwise require or dictate or unless the Composite Securities are explicitly addressed in the same context, all references in this Offering Memorandum to the Class C Notes will include the Class C Component.

**“Class C Coverage Tests”** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class C Notes.

**“Class C Deferred Interest”** means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C Notes.

**“Class D-2 Component”** means the component of the Class 1 Composite Security having an aggregate initial principal amount of \$5,000,000 and representing an equivalent initial principal amount of Class D-2 Notes. The initial principal amount of the Class D-2 Notes to which the Class D-2 Component relates is included in (and is not in addition to) the initial principal amount of Class D-2 Notes being offered on the Closing Date and described in the Indenture. Except as otherwise specified or as the context may otherwise require or dictate or unless the Composite Securities are explicitly addressed in the same context, all references in this Offering Memorandum to the Class D-2 Notes will include the Class D-2 Component.

**“Class D Coverage Tests”** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class D Notes.

**“Class D Deferred Interest”** means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class D Notes.

**“Class Scenario Loss Rate”** means, with respect to any Class of Notes rated by S&P, an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, consistent



with S&P's rating of the Class of Notes on the Closing Date, determined by application of the S&P CDO Monitor.

**"Clearstream"** means Clearstream Banking, société anonyme, a corporation organized under the laws of the Duchy of Luxembourg.

**"Collateral Administration Agreement"** means the agreement dated as of the Closing Date among the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and the Collateral Administrator, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Collateral Administrator"** means the Bank in its capacity as collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement.

**"Component"** means the Class C Component, the Class D-2 Component or the Preference Share Components.

**"Composite Securities"** means the Class 1 Composite Securities and the Class 2 Composite Securities.

**"Composite Securityholders"** means the Holders of Composite Securities.

**"Controlling Class"** means the Class A Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class A Notes are Outstanding; then the Class B Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class B Notes are Outstanding; then the Class C Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class C are Outstanding; then the Class D Notes (voting together as a Class or group).

**"Corporate Trust Office"** means the corporate trust office of the Trustee at which the Trustee performs its duties under the Indenture, currently having an address of 600 Travis Street, 50<sup>th</sup> Floor, Houston, Texas 77002, telecopy no. (713) 216-2101, Attention: Worldwide Securities Services—Jasper CLO Ltd. or any other address the Trustee designates from time to time by notice to the Noteholders, the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Issuer and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Trustee

**"Credit Improved Obligation"** is any Collateral Obligation that in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, has improved in credit quality; *provided*, if a Credit Rating Event is in effect, such Collateral Obligation will be considered a Credit Improved Obligation only if in addition to the above:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been upgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing positive credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under the Indenture;

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced a reduction in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Portfolio Manager (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's);

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has increased by at least 1.00% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Portfolio Manager (*provided* that this subclause (iii)(x) will be

deemed satisfied if Market Value increases to 101%), or (y) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more positive than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, plus 3.00%, over the same period; or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Improved Obligation if:

- (i) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Improved Obligation; or
- (ii) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Improved Obligation.

**“Credit Rating Event”** means an event that is in effect if the rating by Moody's:

- (i) of the Class A Notes has been withdrawn or is one or more rating sub-categories below its Initial Rating; or
- (ii) of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes has been withdrawn or is two or more rating sub-categories below its respective Initial Rating.

For the purposes of this definition, any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not be effective if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody's has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Class A Notes, or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**“Credit Risk Obligation”** means any Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, has a significant risk of declining in credit quality and, with a lapse of time, becoming a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

So long as a Credit Rating Event is in effect, no Collateral Obligation shall be eligible to be a Credit Risk Obligation unless in addition to the above, as of the date of determination:

- (i) the Collateral Obligation has been downgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing negative credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under the Indenture;
- (ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced an increase in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Portfolio Manager (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's);
- (iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has decreased by at least 2.50% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of

acquisition, as determined by the Portfolio Manager, and (y) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more negative, or less positive, as the case may be, than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, less 3.00%, over the same period; or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Risk Obligation if:

- (a) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Risk Obligation; or
- (b) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Risk Obligation.

**“Current-Pay Obligation”** means a Collateral Obligation as to which:

(i) an insolvency event has occurred with respect to its obligor or as to which its obligor is rated “D” or “SD” by S&P or its obligor has previously been rated “CCC-” by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;

(ii) no default as to the payment of principal or interest with respect to the Collateral Obligation is then continuing and the Portfolio Manager has delivered to the Trustee an officer's certificate to the effect that the Portfolio Manager expects that the obligor will make payments on the Collateral Obligation as they become due;

(iii) (A) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is at least “Caa1” (and not on credit watch with negative implications) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 80% of its Principal Balance or (B) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is less than “Caa1” or is “Caa1” and on credit watch with negative implications, the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 85% of its Principal Balance;

(iv) if an insolvency event has occurred with respect to the obligor of the Collateral Obligation, a bankruptcy court has authorized the payment of interest payable on the Collateral Obligation; and

(v) the Portfolio Manager has designated in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligation as a Current-Pay Obligation.

If the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations exceeds 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, all or a portion of one or more Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance equal to the amount of the excess shall not be Current-Pay Obligations (and will therefore be Defaulted Collateral Obligations). The Portfolio Manager shall designate in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligations that shall not be Current-Pay Obligations pursuant to the preceding sentence as the Collateral Obligations (or portions thereof) that have the lowest Market Value on any applicable date of determination.

The Portfolio Manager may, by notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator, change the definition of “Current-Pay Obligation” or how Current-Pay Obligations are treated in the Indenture, subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency.

“**Current Portfolio**” means, at any time, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations, Principal Proceeds held as cash on deposit in the Collection Account, and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account that exists before the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or before the acquisition of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

“**Deep Discount Obligation**” means, until the average Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation, as determined daily for any period of 30 consecutive days, equals or exceeds 90%, any Collateral Obligation acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 85% of its Principal Balance. For such purpose, the Market Value Percentage of a Collateral Obligation on a day that is not a Business Day shall be deemed to be the Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation on the immediately preceding Business Day.

“**Defaulted Collateral Obligation**” means any Collateral Obligation or other obligation included in the Collateral:

(i) as to which a default in the payment of principal or interest is continuing beyond the lesser of three Business Days and any applicable grace or notice period, unless in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;

(ii) the maturity of all or a portion of the principal amount of such Collateral Obligation has been accelerated as a consequence of a default (other than any payment default) under the instruments evidencing or relating to such Collateral Obligation; unless such default or event of default has been fully cured or waived and is no longer continuing and such acceleration has been rescinded;

(iii) with respect to which there has been effected any distressed exchange or other debt restructuring where the obligor has offered the holders thereof a new security or instrument or package of securities or instruments that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, either (x) amounts to a diminished financial obligation or (y) has the sole purpose of enabling the obligor to avoid a default;

(iv) (1) that is *pari passu* with or subordinated to other indebtedness for borrowed money owing by its obligor (“**Other Indebtedness**”), (2) the obligor has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (without regard to any applicable grace or notice period and without regard to any waiver of the default) on the Other Indebtedness, unless, in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid on the Other Indebtedness and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation and (3) the Portfolio Manager, *provided* that the related Collateral Obligation has not been downgraded after the default on such Other Indebtedness has occurred, determines (in its commercially reasonable judgment) that such Other Indebtedness is material;

(v) (other than a Current-Pay Obligation or a DIP Loan) as to which:

(A) an insolvency event has occurred with respect to its obligor; or

(B) the obligation is rated “D”, “SD”, “C” or “CC” by S&P or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn, or has previously been rated “CCC-” or lower by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;

(vi) if the Collateral Obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation, it is rated “CC” or below by S&P, or it was rated “CC” or below by S&P but the rating has since been withdrawn, or it is rated “Ca” or below by Moody’s, or it was rated “C” or below by Moody’s but the rating has since been withdrawn;

(vii) that is a Participation that would, if the underlying Loan were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (iv) above or with respect to which the Participating Institution has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Participation;

(viii) that is a Synthetic Security referencing a Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above or with respect to which the Synthetic Security Counterparty has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Synthetic Security; *provided, however*, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time: (x) a determination whether the Reference Obligations upon which such Synthetic Security is based would, if such Reference Obligations were Collateral Obligations, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct investment by the Issuer in each of the Reference Obligations on which such Synthetic Security is based in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation and (y) the “Defaulted Collateral Obligation” for purposes of this clause (viii) shall be limited to the Allocable Principal Balance of each Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above;

(ix) that is a Written-Down Obligation;

(x) that is a DIP Loan as to which an order has been entered converting the debtor’s chapter 11 case to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code; or

(xi) that is declared to be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation by the Portfolio Manager.

Any Collateral Obligation that is classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall cease to be so classified if the Collateral Obligation, at any date thereafter,

(1) would not otherwise be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this definition; and

(2) otherwise meets the Eligibility Criteria as of that date.

If any portion of a Collateral Obligation has a maturity later than one year after the Stated Maturity of the Notes due to a change in the payment schedule of the Collateral Obligation occurring after its acquisition by the Issuer, that portion of the Collateral Obligation shall be considered a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**“Defaulted Hedge Termination Payment”** means any termination payment required to be made by the Issuer to a Hedge Counterparty pursuant to a Hedge Agreement upon a termination of the Hedge Agreement in respect of which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**“Defaulted Interest”** means any interest payable in respect of any Class of Notes that is not punctually paid or duly provided for on the applicable Payment Date or at Stated Maturity.

**“Defaulted Interest Charge”** means to the extent lawful, interest on any Defaulted Interest at the Default Interest Rate.

**“Default Interest Rate”** means, with respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate equal to the Note Interest Rate payable on the Notes of the Class.

**“Deferred Interest Notes”** means the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**“Definitive Security”** means any Note or Certificated Preference Share that is registered in the name of the beneficial owner.

**“Delayed Drawdown Loan”** means a Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that:

- (i) requires the Issuer to make one or more future advances to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments;
- (ii) specifies a maximum amount that can be borrowed on one or more fixed borrowing dates; and
- (iii) does not permit the re-borrowing of any amount previously repaid.

A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Delayed Drawdown Loan for so long as its unused commitment amount is greater than zero.

**“Depository”** or **“DTC”** means The Depository Trust Company and its nominees.

**“DIP Loan”** means any Loan:

- (i) that has a rating assigned by Moody’s (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by Moody’s, the Portfolio Manager has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by Moody’s within five Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer) and a rating assigned by S&P (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by S&P, the Portfolio Manager has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P within two Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer);

- (ii) that is an obligation of a debtor in possession as described in Section 1107 of the Bankruptcy Code or a trustee (if appointment of a trustee has been ordered pursuant to Section 1104 of the Bankruptcy Code) (a **“Debtor”**) organized under the laws of the United States or any state of the United States; and

- (iii) the terms of which have been approved by a final order of the United States Bankruptcy Court, United States District Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, the enforceability of which order is not subject to any pending contested matter or proceeding (as those terms are defined in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure) and which order provides that:

- (A) the Loan is secured by liens on the Debtor’s otherwise unencumbered assets pursuant to Section 364(c)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code;

- (B) the Loan is secured by liens of equal or senior priority on property of the Debtor’s estate that is otherwise subject to a lien pursuant to Section 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code;

- (C) the Loan is fully secured (based on a current valuation or appraisal report) by junior liens on the Debtor’s encumbered assets; or

(D) if any portion of the Loan is unsecured, the repayment of the Loan retains priority over all other administrative expenses pursuant to Section 364(c)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code (and in the case of this clause (D), before the acquisition of the Loan, the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency).

**“Diversity Score”** is a single number that indicates collateral concentration in terms of both issuer and industry concentration, calculated as set forth in Schedule 4 to the Indenture.

**“Domicile”** or **“Domiciled”** means, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, (i) the jurisdiction of incorporation, organization or creation of the related obligor or (ii) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that would otherwise be considered to be domiciled pursuant to clause (i) in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction, the jurisdiction in which, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, the related obligor conducts substantially all of its business operations and in which the assets primarily responsible for generating its revenues are located.

**“Due Period”** means, with respect to any Payment Date, for all purposes other than payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements, the period from the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date, from the Closing Date) up to but excluding the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the Payment Date (or in the case of the final Payment Date or any Payment Date that is a Redemption Date, through the Business Day before the Payment Date and for payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements the period from the day after the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date from the Closing Date) through the Payment Date).

**“Eligible Country”** means the United States, Canada and any country classified by Moody’s as a Moody’s Group I Country, Moody’s Group II Country or Moody’s Group III Country; *provided* that such country has not imposed currency exchange controls.

**“Eligible Investments”** means any Dollar-denominated investment that, when it is pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee under the Indenture, is one or more of the following:

- (i) Cash;
- (ii) direct Registered obligations of, and Registered obligations the timely payment of principal and interest on which is fully and expressly guaranteed by, the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States the obligations of which are expressly backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, which in each case are not zero coupon securities;
- (iii) demand and time deposits in, trust accounts, certificates of deposit payable within 91 days of issuance of, bankers’ acceptances payable within 91 days of issuance issued by, or Federal funds sold by any depository institution or trust company incorporated under the laws of the United States or any state thereof and subject to supervision and examination by Federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or the debt obligations of such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company), at the time of such investment or contractual commitment providing for such investment and throughout the term of the investment, have a credit rating of not less than “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade, or “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by S&P in the case of commercial paper and short-term debt obligations; provided that in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such investment a long-term credit rating of not less than “AA-” by S&P and “Aa3” by Moody’s and a short-term rating of “A-1+” by S&P and “P-1” by Moody’s, and if so rated, is not on watch for downgrade;
- (iv) commercial paper or other short-term obligations with a maturity of not more than 183 days from the date of issuance and having at the time of such investment a credit rating of at least “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by S&P, *provided*, that, in any case, the issuer thereof

must have at the time of such investment a long-term credit rating of not less than “Aa2” by Moody’s, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(v) unleveraged repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clause (b) above entered into with a U.S. federal or state depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (iii) above or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose long-term credit rating is not less than “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade or whose short-term credit rating is “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by S&P at the time of such investment and throughout the term of the investment; *provided*, that, if such repurchase obligation has a maturity of longer than 91 days, the counterparty thereto must also have at the time of such investment and throughout the term of the investment a long-term credit rating of not less than “Aa2” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(vi) any money market fund or similar investment vehicle having at the time of investment therein and throughout the term of the investment a credit rating of “MR1+” by Moody’s and “AAAm” by S&P; including any fund for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee serves as an investment advisor, administrator, shareholder servicing agent, custodian or subcustodian, notwithstanding that (A) the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses from such funds for services rendered (*provided* that such charges, fees and expenses are on terms consistent with terms negotiated at arm’s length) and (B) the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses for services rendered, pursuant to the Indenture;

(vii) a guaranteed reinvestment agreement from a bank (if treated as a deposit by such bank), insurance company or other corporation or entity organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (if treated as debt by such insurance company or other corporation or entity), providing for periodic payments thereunder during each Due Period; provided that each such agreement provides that it is terminable by the purchaser, without premium or penalty, in the event that the rating assigned to such agreement by either Moody’s or S&P is at any time lower than the then current ratings assigned to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes; provided, further, that, at the time of investment therein and throughout the term of the investment, the issuer of such agreement has a senior unsecured long-term debt rating, issuer rating or counterparty rating of at least “Aaa” by Moody’s, a short-term debt rating of “P-1” by Moody’s (and not on watch for downgrade), a short-term debt rating of at least “A-1+” by S&P and a long-term debt rating of at least “AAA” by S&P (and not on watch for downgrade); and

(viii) such other investments for which Rating Confirmation has been received;

and, in each case, with a stated maturity (giving effect to any applicable grace period) no later than the Business Day before the Payment Date next succeeding the date of the investment.

Eligible Investments on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account must have a stated maturity no later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase.

Eligible Investments may not include:

(1) any interest-only security, any security purchased at a price in excess of 100% of its par value, or any security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager;

(2) any security whose rating assigned by S&P includes the subscript “r,” “t,” “p,” “pi,” or “q”;



(3) any floating rate security whose interest rate is inversely or otherwise not proportionately related to an interest rate index or is calculated as other than the sum of an interest rate index plus a spread (which spread may be zero);

(4) any security that is subject to an exchange or tender offer; or

(5) any security that has payments subject to foreign or United States withholding tax.

Eligible Investments may include Eligible Investments for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee provides services. Eligible Investments may not include obligations principally secured by real property.

**“Emerging Market Security”** means a security or obligation issued by a sovereign or non-sovereign issuer located in a country (excluding the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Netherlands Antilles, and the Channel Islands):

(i) that is in Latin America, Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, or the Caribbean; or

(ii) the long-term foreign currency debt obligations of which are rated below “Aa2” or “Aa2” and on credit watch with negative implications by Moody’s or the foreign currency issuer credit rating of which is below “AA” by S&P.

**“Euroclear”** means Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear system.

**“Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations”** means the Principal Balance of all CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations in excess of 7.5% of the Maximum Investment Amount on the relevant Determination Date.

**“Excluded Property”** means U.S.\$250 (attributable to the issue and allotment of the Issuer Ordinary Shares) and a U.S.\$250 transaction fee paid to the Issuer, the bank account in which those amounts are credited in the Cayman Islands and any interest earned on those amounts.

**“Extension”** means an extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test in accordance with the Indenture.

**“Extension Bonus Payment”** means, with respect to each Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable beneficial owner set forth in “Description of the Securities— Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date” in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Class A Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class B Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (3) in the case of the Class C Notes (including the Class C Component), 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date and (5) in the case of the Class D Notes (including the Class D-2 Component), 0.50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

**“Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification”** means, with respect to each Maturity Extension and each beneficial owner of Notes and Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components of such Composite Securities) other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such beneficial owner acceptable to the Issuer to the effect that it held Notes and Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components of such Composite Securities) other than Extension Sale Securities on the applicable Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof in the case of the Notes or Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the applicable Note Component in the case of the

Composite Securities and wire transfer instructions for the Extension Bonus Payment and any required documentation thereunder.

**“Extension Determination Date”** means the 8<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to each Extension Effective Date.

**“Extension Purchase Price”** means the purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with each Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the applicable Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since the Closing Date would cause such Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 15.0% (assuming such purchase date was a “Payment Date” under the Indenture); *provided, however*, that if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 15.0%, the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Preference Shares shall be zero, (iii) in the case of the Class 1 Composite Securities, the sum of (x) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (i) in respect of the Class D-2 Notes underlying the Class D-2 Component and (y) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (ii) in respect of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 1 Composite Security Preference Share Component, and (iv) in the case of the Class 2 Composite Securities, the sum of (x) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (i) in respect of the Class C Notes underlying the Class C Component and (y) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (ii) in respect of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 2 Composite Security Preference Share Component.

**“Extension Qualifying Purchasers”** means Portfolio Manager (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event the Portfolio Manager elects not to purchase Securities from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date”; “Extension Qualifying Purchasers” shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Placement Agents or any of their Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Portfolio Manager; *provided, however*, none of the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agents, or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

**“Face Amount”** means, with respect to any Preference Share, the amount set forth therein as the “face amount” thereof, which “face amount” shall be \$1,000 per Preference Share.

**“Finance Lease”** means a lease agreement or other agreement entered into in connection with and evidencing a Leasing Finance Transaction.

**“Fixed Rate Excess”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose numerator is the product of:

- (i) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date over the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test; and
- (ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date;

and whose denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Fixed Rate Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Spread Excess were equal to zero.

**“Fixed Rate Notes”** means the Class D-2 Notes.

**“Fixed Rate Obligation”** means any Collateral Obligation that bears interest at a fixed rate, including a Collateral Obligation that does not bear interest on a floating rate index and whose interest rate is scheduled to increase one or more times over the life of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Floating Rate Notes”** means the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D-1 Notes.

**“Floating Rate Obligation”** means any Collateral Obligation that bears interest based on a floating rate index.

**“Form-Approved Synthetic Security”** means a Synthetic Security:

(i) (A) each of the Reference Obligations of which satisfy the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and could be purchased by the Issuer without any required action by the Rating Agencies, without satisfaction of the Rating Condition or which the Rating Agencies have otherwise approved; or

(B) each of the Reference Obligations of which would satisfy clause (A) above but for the currency in which the Reference Obligation is payable and the Synthetic Security is payable in Dollars, does not provide for physical settlement, and does not expose the Issuer to Dollar currency risk;

(ii) the Synthetic Security Agreement of which conforms (but for the amount and timing of periodic payments, the name of the Reference Obligation, the notional amount, the effective date, the termination date, and other similar necessary changes) to a form that has been expressly identified and approved in writing in connection with a request under the Indenture by Moody’s and S&P; and

(iii) that is with a counterparty with respect to which the Rating Condition has been satisfied by each of Moody’s and S&P prior to the acquisition of any such Form-Approved Synthetic Security, and such approval has not been withdrawn.

Moody’s or S&P may at any time, by notice to the Portfolio Manager, withdraw its approval of any such form. A withdrawal of approval shall have no effect on any Synthetic Security acquired, entered into, or committed to before the date on which the Portfolio Manager receives the notice of withdrawal.

**“Hedge Agreements”** means, collectively, all interest rate cap or interest rate swap agreements between the Issuer and any Hedge Counterparty, and any replacement agreement entered into pursuant to the Indenture.

**“Hedge Counterparty”** means IXIS Financial Products, currently having an address of 9 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street, 36<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10019, or any other counterparty, to the extent that when the Issuer enters into any Hedge Agreement with IXIS Financial Products or the other counterparty, IXIS Financial Products or the other counterparty satisfies the requirements of the Indenture, including, in the case of any other counterparty, to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency.

**“Hedge Termination Receipt”** means any termination payment paid by the Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer upon any early termination of a Hedge Agreement with respect to which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**“High-Yield Bond”** means any debt security other than a Loan, including any Structured Finance Obligation, that is either Registered or, if not Registered, (i) it is issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States, (ii) the payments on it are not subject to United States withholding tax and (iii) it is

held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

“**Holder**” means, of any Note (including any Class C Notes or Class D-2 Notes underlying the Class C Component and the Class D-2 Component, respectively) or Composite Security, the person whose name appears on the Indenture Register as the registered holder of the Note or Composite Security; and of any Preference Share (including any Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Component), the person whose name appears in the Preference Share register related thereto as the registered holder of such Preference Share.

“**Indenture Registrar**” means the Bank in its capacity as Indenture registrar as provided in the Indenture.

“**Indenture Register**” means the register caused to be kept by the Issuer for the purpose of registering Notes and transfers of the Notes as provided in the Indenture.

“**Initial Consent Period**” means the period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee provided notice of a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of Securities.

“**Initial Rating**” means, the ratings by Moody’s and S&P with respect to each Class of Notes and Composite Securities provided in the table in “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.”

“**Interest Period**” means, initially, the period from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the first Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date; *provided, however*, that the “Payment Date” solely for purposes of determining the Interest Period for the Fixed Rate Notes will be the 1<sup>st</sup> day of each February, May, August and November, regardless of whether such day is a Business Day.

“**Interest Proceeds**” means, with respect to any Due Period, the sum (without duplication) of all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period (or as otherwise specified below) by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are:

(i) payments of interest, fees, and commissions (excluding (A) Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal, (B) interest and dividends on Workout Assets, (C) fees and commissions from Defaulted Collateral Obligations, and (D) syndication and other up-front fees and any up-front fixed payments received in connection with entering into a Synthetic Security);

(ii) any portion of the Sale Proceeds of a Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) representing Accrued Interest On Sale;

(iii) all payments of principal on, or disposition proceeds from the sale of, Eligible Investments to the extent purchased with Interest Proceeds;

(iv) payments with respect to the Hedge Agreements received on or before the related Payment Date (other than any amount payable thereunder because of any early termination or notional amount reduction), but not any Sale Proceeds from any of these instruments (except to the extent that they were purchased with Interest Proceeds);

(v) all fees received pursuant to any Securities Lending Agreements;

(vi) during the continuance of an “event of default” (under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement), all interest received from the related Securities Lending Collateral;

(vii) amounts in the Collection Account designated for distribution as Interest Proceeds pursuant to the Priority of Payments (including any amount transferred from the Interest Reserve Account);

(viii) all earnings on amounts in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account and the Revolving Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.3(b) of the Indenture;

(ix) amounts in the Expense Reimbursement Account on the Payment Date for the relevant Due Period;

(x) any recoveries (including interest) received on a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in excess of the principal balance of such Defaulted Collateral Obligation (as of the date the related Collateral Obligation became a Defaulted Collateral Obligation).

Interest Proceeds shall not include the Excluded Property and Interest Proceeds shall not include earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

If an Interim Ramp-Up Completion Date Failure has occurred and is continuing on the first Payment Date, all Interest Proceeds remaining after application of Interest Proceeds pursuant to clauses (1) through (18) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” shall be deemed to be Interest Proceeds received in the Due Period relating to the second Payment Date and not available for distribution on such first Payment Date.

Each reference in the definition of “Interest Proceeds” to a Collateral Obligation shall include a Collateral Obligation that has been loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and Interest Proceeds shall include any amounts referred to in clauses (i) through (iii) above received by the Issuer in respect of the Collateral Obligation indirectly from the related Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement.

**“Interim Ramp-Up Completion Date Failure”** means, the failure of the Issuer to satisfy the criteria set forth in “Security for the Notes—Ramp-Up” on or before September 1, 2005 or November 1, 2005; notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Issuer receives a Rating Confirmation after an Interim Ramp-Up Completion Date Failure but before the first Payment Date, such Interim Ramp-Up Completion Date Failure shall not be deemed to have occurred.

**“Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance”** means, for any Collateral Obligation other than Deep Discount Obligations, its Principal Balance; and for any Deep Discount Obligation its Purchase Price; *provided, however*, that if any Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations exist, the Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance for the Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations shall be the lower of (i) the weighted average Market Value of all CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances and (ii) the product of (a) 70% and (b) their respective Principal Balance.

**“Investment Obligation”** means, for a Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security, and otherwise the Collateral Obligation.

**“Issuer Charter”** means the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Issuer, as amended and restated before the Closing Date or in accordance with the Indenture.

**“Issuer Order”** and **“Issuer Request”** means a written order or request dated and signed in the name of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, or by the Portfolio Manager by an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

**“Junior Class”** means, with respect to a particular Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that is subordinated to that Class.

**“Leasing Finance Transaction”** means and transaction pursuant to which the obligations of the lessee to pay rent or other amounts on a triple net basis under any lease of (or other arrangement conveying the right to use) real or personal property, or a combination thereof, are required to be classified and accounted for as a capital lease on a balance sheet of such lessee under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America; but only if (a) such lease or other transaction provides for the unconditional obligation of the lessee to pay a stated amount of principal no later than a stated maturity date, together with interest thereon, and the payment of such obligation is not subject to any material non-credit related risk as determined by the Portfolio Manager, (b) the obligations of the lessee in respect of such lease or other transaction are fully secured, directly or indirectly, by the property that is the subject of such lease and (c) the interest held by the Issuer in respect of such lease or other transaction is treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

**“Loan”** means any interest in a fully committed, senior secured, unsecured, or revolving loan (including loans involving credit linked deposits) that is acquired by assignment or by Participation (including any DIP Loan) that is either:

- (i) Registered; or
- (ii) issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States;
  - (A) whose payments are not subject to United States withholding tax; and
  - (B) that is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**“Long-Dated Collateral Obligation”** means any Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturity of the Notes other than a Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturities of the Notes that includes a “put” option to its obligor at a price of at least par payable on or before the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

**“Majority”** means, with respect to any Class or group of Notes or Composite Securities or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Composite Securities or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**“Margin Stock”** means “Margin Stock” as defined under Regulation U issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, including any debt security that is by its terms convertible into Margin Stock, but does not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation received pursuant to an offer by an issuer of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**“Management Agreement”** means the Portfolio Management Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**“Market Value”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Portfolio Manager and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any Collateral Obligation based upon the Portfolio Manager’s commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the lower of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the bid-side prices for the purchase of the Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent

from the Portfolio Manager) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Portfolio Manager); *provided* that if a Market Value of any Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined for a period of 30 consecutive days then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero; *provided, further*, that during such 30 day period, such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the lower of (i) (if any) the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as most recently determined by the Portfolio Manager in accordance with the foregoing and (ii) the current market value of such Collateral Obligation as determined by the Portfolio Manager in its commercially reasonable judgment; *provided, further*, that the maximum amount of Collateral Obligations having a Market Value assigned pursuant to the immediately preceding proviso shall be limited to 5.0% of the Maximum Investment Amount (and any amount in excess of 5.0% of the Maximum Investment Amount shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero).

**“Market Value Percentage”** means, for any Collateral Obligation, the ratio obtained by dividing:

- (i) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation; by
- (ii) the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Maximum Investment Amount”** means an amount equal to:

- (i) on any Measurement Date during the Ramp-Up Period, U.S.\$678,000,000; and
- (ii) on any Measurement Date after the Ramp-Up Completion Date:
  - (A) the aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations plus the aggregate outstanding principal amount of any Defaulted Collateral Obligations; *plus*
  - (B) cash representing Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
  - (C) Eligible Investments (other than cash) purchased by the Issuer with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account.

**“Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the sum of (i) the number set forth in the column entitled “Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Portfolio Manager (or the interpolation between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable) *plus* (ii) the Recovery Rate Modifier.

**“Measurement Date”** means any date:

- (i) on which the Issuer commits to acquire or dispose of any Collateral Obligation;
- (ii) on which a Collateral Obligation becomes a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
- (iii) that is a Determination Date;
- (iv) that is the Ramp-Up Completion Date; and
- (v) that is the date as of which the information in a Monthly Report is calculated pursuant to the Indenture.

**“Minimum Diversity Score”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a score equal to the number set forth in the column entitled “Minimum Diversity Score” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the

applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Portfolio Manager (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

“**Minimum Weighted Average Spread**” means, as of any Measurement Date, the spread equal to the percentage set forth in the row entitled “Minimum Weighted Average Spread” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Portfolio Manager (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

“**Monthly Report**” means a monthly report compiled and provided by the Issuer.

“**Moody’s Default Probability Rating**” means with respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (i) with respect to a Moody’s Senior Secured Loan:
  - (A) if the Loan’s obligor has a senior implied rating from Moody’s, such senior implied rating; and
  - (B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody’s Obligation Rating of such Loan;
  - (C) if the preceding clauses do not apply, the rating that is one subcategory above the Moody’s Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating;
- (ii) with respect to a Moody’s Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond, the Moody’s Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating of such Collateral Obligation;
- (iii) with respect to a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the rating that is one rating subcategory below the Assigned Moody’s Rating thereof;
- (iv) with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation, the Assigned Moody’s Rating thereof (or, if the obligation does not have an Assigned Moody’s Rating but has a rating by S&P, the rating that is the number of rating subcategories specified by Moody’s below such S&P rating); and
- (v) with respect to a Synthetic Security, the Assigned Moody’s Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody’s rating or ratings used to determine the Moody’s Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody’s, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

“**Moody’s Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating**” means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation that is a Loan or bond and the obligor thereof, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (i) if the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation with an Assigned Moody’s Rating, such Assigned Moody’s Rating;
- (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody’s “Issuer Rating” for the obligor;
- (iii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation with an Assigned Moody’s Rating; then



(A) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "B3" (and, if rated "B3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one rating subcategory higher than such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(B) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "B3" (or rated "B3" and on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be such Assigned Moody's Rating;

(iv) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating; then:

(A) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "Caa3" (and, if rated "Caa3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one subcategory below such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(B) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "Caa3" (or rated "Caa3" and on watch for downgrade), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be "C";

(v) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but such obligor has a senior implied rating from Moody's, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be one rating subcategory below such senior implied rating;

(vi) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(D) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; or

(E) "B3" until the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager obtains an estimated rating from Moody's of (a) the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating no lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (vi)(C), or clauses (vii)(C) or (viii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(vii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(B) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (iii) above; or

(C) “B3” until the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager obtains an estimated rating from Moody’s if (a) the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than “B3” will be assigned by Moody’s and the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody’s within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody’s Rating pursuant to either this clause (vii)(C), or clauses (vi)(C) or (viii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(viii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody’s Rating shall be deemed to be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody’s equivalent of such S&P rating if it is “BBB–” or higher;

(B) two rating subcategories below the Moody’s equivalent of such S&P rating if it is “BB+” or lower, and the Moody’s Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (iv) above; or

(C) “B3” until the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager obtains an estimated rating from Moody’s if (a) the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than “B3” will be assigned by Moody’s and the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody’s within two Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody’s Rating pursuant to either this clause (viii)(C), or clauses (vi)(C) or (vii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(ix) if the preceding clauses do not apply and each of the following clauses (A) through (H) do apply, the Moody’s Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be “Caa1”:

(A) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings;

(B) no debt securities or obligations of the obligor are in default;

(C) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates has defaulted on any debt during the preceding two years;

(D) the obligor has been in existence for the preceding five years;

(E) the obligor is current on any cumulative dividends;

(F) the fixed-charge ratio for the obligor exceeds 125% for each of the preceding two fiscal years and for the most recent quarter;

(G) the obligor had a net profit before tax in the past fiscal year and the most recent quarter; and

(H) the annual financial statements of such obligor are unqualified and certified by a firm of Independent accountants of international reputation, and quarterly statements are unaudited but signed by a corporate officer;

(x) if the preceding clauses do not apply but each of the following clauses (A) and (B) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa3":

(A) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings; and

(B) no debt security or obligation of such obligor has been in default during the past two years; and

(xi) if the preceding clauses do not apply and a debt security or obligation of the obligor has been in default during the past two years, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Ca."

Notwithstanding the foregoing, not more than 10% of the Maximum Investment Amount may consist of Investment Obligations given a Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating based on a rating given by S&P as provided in clauses (vi), (vii) and (viii) above.

**"Moody's Group I Country"** means any of the following countries: Australia, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group I Country.

**"Moody's Group II Country"** means any of the following countries: Germany, Ireland, Sweden, Switzerland and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group II Country.

**"Moody's Group III Country"** means any of the following countries: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, Spain and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group III Country.

**"Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the number obtained by (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate, (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations and (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

**"Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan"** means any Loan that is not a Moody's Senior Secured Loan.

**"Moody's Obligation Rating"** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

(i) With respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:

(A) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the rating that is one rating subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and

(ii) With respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond:

(A) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and

(iii) With respect to a Synthetic Security or a DIP Loan, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

**"Moody's Priority Category"** means each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" as a "Moody's Priority Category."

**"Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate"** means for any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" opposite the Moody's Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Rating"** means the Moody's Default Probability Rating; *provided* that, with respect to the Collateral Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or any successor to it ceases to provide rating services, references to rating categories of Moody's in the Indenture shall be deemed instead to be references to the equivalent categories of any other nationally recognized investment rating agency selected by the Portfolio Manager, as of the most recent date on which such other rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which such alternative rating agency is used.

**"Moody's Rating Factor"** means the number in the table below opposite the rating of the Collateral Obligation (excluding Synthetic Securities where an Assigned Moody's Rating is not available).

<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>	<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>
Aaa	1	Ba1	940
Aa1	10	Ba2	1350
Aa2	20	Ba3	1766
Aa3	40	B1	2220
A1	70	B2	2720
A2	120	B3	3490
A3	180	Caa1	4770
Baa1	260	Caa2	6500
Baa2	360	Caa3	8070
Baa3	610	Ca or lower	10000

The Moody's Rating Factor for Collateral Obligations that are Synthetic Securities shall be determined by Moody's and obtained by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on a case-by-case basis, unless there is an Assigned Moody's Rating available for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, in which case such Assigned Moody's Rating shall be used to compute the Moody's Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security.

**“Moody’s Senior Secured Loan”** means:

(i) A Loan that:

(A) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan;

(B) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor’s obligations under the Loan; and

(C) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal seniority secured by a first lien or security interest in the same collateral; or

(ii) a Loan that:

(A) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan, other than, with respect to a Loan described in clause (i) above, with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such loan;

(B) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor’s obligations under the Loan;

(C) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by a first or second lien or security interest in the same collateral; and

(D) if the Loan has an Assigned Moody’s Rating, such Assigned Moody’s Rating is not lower than the senior implied Moody’s rating of the related obligor.

(iii) the Loan is not: (A) a DIP Loan, (B) a Loan for which the security interest or lien (or the validity or effectiveness thereof) in substantially all of its collateral attaches, becomes effective, or otherwise “springs” into existence after the origination thereof, or (C) a type of loan that Moody’s has identified as having unusual terms and with respect to which its Moody’s Recovery Rate has been or is to be determined on a case-by-case basis.

**“Non-Consenting Holder”** means respect to any supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, any Holder or, in the case of Securities represented by Global Securities, any beneficial owner, that either (i) has declared in writing that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) had not consented to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

**“Non-Performing Collateral Obligation”** means any Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any PIK Security as to which its issuer or obligor has previously deferred or capitalized any interest due on it and all the interest so deferred or capitalized has not subsequently been paid in full in cash by:

(i) if the PIK Security has a Moody’s Rating of “Baa3” (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above or an S&P Rating of “BBB-” (and not on credit watch with

negative implications) or above, the earlier of its second payment date or one year following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it; or

(ii) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "Baa3," or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "BBB-," the earlier of its first payment date or six months following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it.

**"Notes"** means the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**"Note Components"** means the Class C Component and the Class D-2 Component.

**"Noteholder"** means a Holder of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes.

**"Note Payment Sequence"** means the application of funds in the following order:

- (1) to the Class A Notes until the Class A Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (2) to the Class B Notes until the Class B Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (3) to the Class C Notes until the Class C Notes have been fully redeemed; and
- (5) to the Class D Notes until the Class D Notes have been fully redeemed (with each of the Class D Notes being redeemed *pro rata* based upon the outstanding principal amount of the Class D-1 Notes and the Class D-2 Notes);

**"Offer"** means any Collateral Obligation that is subject to a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion or other similar action.

**"Officer"** means, with respect to the Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to the Co-Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to any partnership, any of its general partners; and with respect to the Trustee, any Trust Officer.

**"Outstanding"** means, with respect to:

(i) the Notes and the Composite Securities or any specified Class, as of any date of determination, all of the Notes, all of the Composite Securities or all of the Notes of the specified Class, as the case may be, theretofore authenticated and delivered under the Indenture, except with respect to Notes and Composite Securities:

(A) Securities canceled by the Indenture Registrar or delivered to the Indenture Registrar for cancellation;

(B) Notes for whose payment or redemption funds in the necessary amount have been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for their Holders pursuant to Section 4.1(a)(ii) of the Indenture and if the Notes are to be redeemed, notice of redemption has been duly given pursuant to the Indenture;

(C) Notes in exchange for or in lieu of which other Notes have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to the Indenture and Composite Securities in exchange for or in lieu of which other Composite Securities have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to the Indenture; and

(D) Securities alleged to have been destroyed, lost, or stolen for which replacement Securities have been issued as provided in Section 2.7 of the Indenture, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Securities are held by a protected purchaser;

(ii) the Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Preference Share Documents and listed in the Preference Share register of the Issuer as outstanding;

*provided* that, in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes, the Preference Shares or the Composite Securities have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, or waiver under the Indenture: (1) Holders of Class 1 Composite Securities, except to the extent otherwise expressly provided, will be entitled to vote with the Class D-2 Notes and the Preference Shares to which the Class D-2 Components and the Preference Share Components, respectively, of such Composite Securities relate: (i) the Class D-2 Component, in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D-2 Component bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Class D-2 Notes (including the Class D-2 Component); and (ii) the Class 1 Composite Security Preference Shares Component, in the proportion that the number of Preference Shares attributable to such Class 1 Composite Security Preference Shares Component bears to the number of all the Outstanding Preference Shares (including the Class 1 Composite Security Preference Shares Component and the Class 2 Composite Security Preference Shares Component); (2) Holders of Class 2 Composite Securities, except to the extent otherwise expressly provided, will be entitled to vote with the Class C Notes and the Preference Shares to which the Class C Components and the Preference Share Components, respectively, of such composite Security relate: (i) the Class C Component, in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Component bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Class C Notes (including the Class C Component); and (ii) the Class 2 Composite Security Preference Shares Component, in the proportion that the number of Preference Shares attributable to such Class 2 Composite Security Preference Shares Component bears to the number of all the Outstanding Preference Shares (including the Class 1 Composite Security Preference Shares Component and the Class 2 Composite Security Preference Shares Component); and (3) Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares owned or beneficially owned by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, any Affiliate of either of them and (only (x) with respect to any matter affecting its status as Portfolio Manager, or (y) in any matter respecting an acceleration of any Class of Notes or Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Component) if the effect of the Portfolio Manager's action or inaction as a Holder of Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares would effectively prevent acceleration) the Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates shall be disregarded and not be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, or waiver, only Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares that a Trust Officer of the Trustee has actual knowledge to be so owned or beneficially owned shall be so disregarded. Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares so owned or beneficially owned that have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee the pledgee's right so to act with respect to the Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares and that the pledgee is not the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any Affiliate of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

With respect to Components, as of any date of determination, all of the Components represented by Composite Securities that are Outstanding under the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents.

**"Participating Institution"** means an institution that creates a participation interest and that has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" (and if so rated by Moody's such rating is not on watch for possible downgrade) and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A".

**"Participation"** means a Loan acquired as a participation interest created by a Participating Institution.

**“Permitted Offer”** means a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion, or other similar action pursuant to which the offeror offers to acquire a debt obligation (including a Collateral Obligation) in exchange solely for cash in an amount equal to or greater than the full face amount of the debt obligation plus any accrued and unpaid interest and as to which the Portfolio Manager has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the offeror has sufficient access to financing to consummate the tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion, or other similar action.

**“PIK Cash-Pay Interest”** means, as to any PIK Security, the portion of interest required to be paid in cash (and not permitted to be added to the balance of such PIK Security or otherwise deferred and accrued) thereon pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments.

**“PIK Security”** means any loan or debt obligation on which any portion of the interest accrued for a specified period of time or until the maturity thereof is, or at the option of the obligor may be, added to the principal balance of such loan or debt obligation or otherwise deferred rather than being paid in cash, provided that such loan or debt obligation shall not be a PIK Security if the portion, if any, of such interest required pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments to be paid in Cash would result in the outstanding principal amount of such loan or debt obligation having an effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest at least equal to (i) if such loan or debt obligation is a fixed rate loan or debt obligation, 4% per annum, or (ii) if such loan or debt obligation is a floating rate loan or debt obligation, LIBOR.

**“Pledged Obligations”** means, as of any date of determination, the Collateral Obligations, the Workout Assets, the Eligible Investments, and any other securities or obligations that have been granted to the Trustee that form part of the Collateral.

**“Person”** is an individual, corporation (including a business trust), partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust (including any beneficiary thereof), unincorporated association or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

**“Preference Share Components”** means the Class 1 Composite Security Preference Share Component and the Class 2 Composite Security Preference Share Component.

**“Preference Share Internal Rate of Return”** means, with respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the “XIRR” function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for the following cash flows, assuming all Preference Shares were purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount:

(i) each distribution of Interest Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date; and

(ii) each distribution of Principal Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date.

**“Preference Shares Paying Agent Agreement”** means a Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of June 29, 2005, between the Issuer and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as Preference Shares Paying Agent.

**“Preference Shares Distribution Account”** means a separate segregated non-interest bearing trust account established by the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deposit all amounts received from the Issuer and payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares under the Priority of Payments.

**“Preference Shares Notional Amount”** means, \$70,000,000.



**“Preference Shares Paying Agent”** means JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, in its capacity as Preference Shares Paying Agent under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter “Preference Shares Paying Agent” shall mean such successor person.

**“Principal Balance”** means, with respect to:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those specifically covered in this definition, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Pledged Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest, zero, except as otherwise expressly specified in the Indenture;
- (iv) any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, except as otherwise provided, zero;
- (v) any Collateral Obligation that has been loaned, its Principal Balance shall be reduced by the excess of the amount of collateral required over the actual Market Value of the collateral;
- (vi) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance shall include any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer’s obligation to fund the unfunded amount), except as otherwise expressly specified in the Indenture;
- (vii) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance shall not include any principal amount of the PIK Security representing previously deferred or capitalized interest; and
- (viii) any obligation or security that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, zero.

**“Principal Proceeds”** means with respect to any Due Period, all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are not Interest Proceeds.

Principal Proceeds shall include any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account into the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.2 of the Indenture.

Principal Proceeds do not include the Excluded Property or earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

At any time when an “event of default” under a Securities Lending Agreement has occurred and is continuing, any payments received by the Issuer from the related Securities Lending Collateral shall be Principal Proceeds.

**“Priority Class”** means, with respect to any specified Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that ranks senior to that Class.

**“Proceeding”** means any suit in equity, action at law, or other judicial or administrative proceeding.

**“Proposed Portfolio”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations and Principal Proceeds held as cash on deposit in the Collection Account and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the

Collection Account resulting from the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or a proposed reinvestment in a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**“Purchase Price”** means, with respect to the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (other than any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation), the net purchase price paid by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation. The net purchase price is determined by subtracting from the purchase price the amount of any Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal and any syndication and other upfront fees paid to the Issuer and by adding the amount of any related transaction costs (including assignment fees) paid by the Issuer to the seller of the Collateral Obligation or its agent.

**“Purchase Price Amount”** means, respect to any Collateral Obligation on any date of determination, the product of (i) the Purchase Price (stated as a percentage) thereof and (ii) the Principal Balance thereof on such date.

**“Qualified Equity Security”** means any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that is stock or evidence of an interest in or a right to buy stock, or any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation but whose acquisition otherwise is a transaction in stocks or securities within the meaning of Section 864(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Code and the regulations under the Code. Qualified Equity Securities do not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation and that will cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in or having income from a United States trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes by virtue of its ownership or disposition of the obligation (without regard to the Issuer’s other activities).

**“Ramp-Up Period”** means the period from and including the Closing Date to and including the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

**“Rating Agency”** means, each of Moody’s and S&P or, with respect to Pledged Obligations generally, if at any time Moody’s or S&P ceases to provide rating services with respect to high yield debt securities, any other nationally recognized statistical rating organization selected by the Issuer and reasonably satisfactory to a Majority of each Class of Notes. If at any time Moody’s ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of Moody’s in the Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and Moody’s published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used. If at any time S&P ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of S&P in the Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and S&P published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used.

**“Rating Condition”** means, with respect to any Rating Agency and any action taken or to be taken under the Indenture, a condition that is satisfied when the Rating Agency has confirmed to the Portfolio Manager (as agent for the Issuer) in writing that no withdrawal, reduction, suspension, or other adverse action with respect to any then current rating by it (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes or, in the case of Moody’s, Composite Securities will occur as a result of the action. The Rating Condition with respect to any Rating Agency shall be satisfied for all purposes of the Indenture at any time when no Outstanding Securities are rated by it.

**“Rating Confirmation”** means confirmation in writing from each Rating Agency (and with respect to the Composite Securities, from Moody’s only) that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes or Composite Securities.

**“Ratings Matrix”** means the “row/column combination” of the table below selected by the Portfolio Manager on the Closing Date to apply initially for purposes of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test. Thereafter, on notice to the Trustee,

the Portfolio Manager may select a different row of the Ratings Matrix to apply, or may interpolate between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable, on a straight-line basis and round the results to two decimal points.

Minimum Weighted Average Spread	Minimum Diversity Score						
	50	55	60	65	70	75	80
2.25%	2110	2140	2170	2200	2230	2260	2290
2.35%	2170	2200	2230	2260	2290	2320	2350
2.45%	2230	2260	2290	2320	2350	2380	2410
2.55%	2290	2320	2350	2380	2410	2440	2470
2.65%	2350	2380	2410	2440	2470	2500	2530
2.75%	2410	2440	2470	2500	2530	2560	2590
2.85%	2470	2500	2530	2560	2590	2620	2650
2.95%	2530	2560	2590	2620	2650	2680	2710
3.05%	2590	2620	2650	2680	2710	2740	2770
Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor							

“**Recovery Rate Modifier**” means, as of any Measurement Date, the lesser of 60 and the product of:

(i) (a) the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate *minus* the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test (but not less than zero) *multiplied by* (b) 100; and

(ii) 40.

“**Redemption Date**” means any Payment Date specified for an Optional Redemption under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

“**Redemption Price**” means, with respect to any Note (including any Note Component) and any Optional Redemption, an amount equal to:

- (i) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of the Note being redeemed; *plus*
- (ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest); *plus*
- (iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note; *plus*
- (iv) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

With respect to any Preference Share and any Optional Redemption, “Redemption Price” means (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares of the remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications pursuant to the Priority of Payments or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case as specified in “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares.”

“**Reference Obligation**” means an obligation that would otherwise satisfy the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and on which a Synthetic Security is based.

“**Registered**” means, with respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment, means that it is issued after July 18, 1984 and is in registered form within the meaning of Section 881(c)(2)(B)(i) of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.

**“Regulation D”** means Regulation D under the Securities Act.

**“Reinvestment Overcollateralization Ratio”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the ratio obtained by dividing: (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator by (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes, excluding any Deferred Interest on any Class of Notes.

**“Removal Buy-Out Purchaser”** means the Portfolio Manager (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent).

**“Repository”** means the internet-based password protected electronic repository of transaction documents relating to privately offered and sold collateralized debt obligation securities located at “www.cdolibrary.com” operated by The Bond Market Association. Information on this website is not considered part of this Offering Memorandum in any way.

**“Revolving Loan”** means a Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation (in each case excluding any Delayed Drawdown Loan) that requires the Issuer to make future advances to (or for the account of) the borrower under its underlying instruments (including any letter of credit for which the Issuer is required to reimburse the issuing bank for under it). A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Revolving Loan for so long as its commitment amount is greater than zero.

**“S&P CDO Monitor”** means a dynamic, analytical computer model developed by S&P (and as may be modified by S&P from time to time) and provided to the Portfolio Manager and the Collateral Administrator to be used to calculate the default frequency in terms of the amount of debt assumed to default as a percentage of the original principal amount of the Collateral Obligations consistent with a specified benchmark rating level based on certain assumptions and S&P’s proprietary corporate default studies. For the purpose (and only for the purpose) of applying the S&P CDO Monitor to a portfolio of obligations, for each obligation in the portfolio, the rating of the obligation shall be its S&P Rating.

**“S&P Industry Classification”** means the S&P Industry Classifications in Schedule 3 of the Indenture as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by S&P.

**“S&P Priority Category”** means each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of “Applicable Percentage” as an “S&P Priority Category.”

**“S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate”** means, for any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of “Applicable Percentage” opposite the S&P Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**“S&P Rating”** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following methodology:

(i) If there is an issuer credit rating of the borrower of the Collateral Obligation (the “Borrower”), or the guarantor who unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the Collateral Obligation (the “Guarantor”) by S&P, the most current issuer credit rating for such Borrower or Guarantor (provided, that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating);

(ii) (a) if there is not an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation will be one subcategory below such rating; (b) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior unsecured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be such rating; and (c) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a subordinated obligation of the

Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be two subcategories above such rating if such rating is “BBB-” or higher and will be one subcategory above such rating if such rating is “BB+” or lower (provided, that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating); or

(iii) if there is neither an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P nor a rating by S&P on an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating may be determined using any one of the methods below:

(A) if an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is publicly rated by Moody’s, then the S&P Rating will be determined in accordance with the methodologies for establishing the Moody’s Default Probability Rating, except that the S&P Rating of such obligation will be (1) one subcategory below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody’s if such security is rated “Baa3” or higher by Moody’s and (2) two subcategories below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody’s if such security is rated “Ba1” or lower by Moody’s; *provided* that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 10% of the Maximum Investment Amount may be given a S&P Rating based on a rating given by Moody’s as provided in this subclause (A) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

(B) if no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody’s, then the Portfolio Manager may apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating estimate, which will be its S&P Rating; or

(C) if such Collateral Obligation is not rated by Moody’s or S&P, no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody’s and if the Portfolio Manager determines in its sole discretion based on information available to it after reasonable inquiry that such Borrower (x) is not subject to any bankruptcy or reorganization proceedings nor in default on any of its obligations (unless the subject of a good faith business dispute), (y) is a legally constituted corporate entity having the minimum legal, financial and operational infrastructure to carry on a definable business, deliver and sell a product or service and report its results in generally accepted accounting terms as verified by a reputable audit firm and (z) is not so vulnerable to adverse business, financial and economic conditions that default in its financial or other obligations is foreseeable in the near term if current operating trends continue, then the S&P Rating will be “CCC-”; *provided* that the Portfolio Manager must apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating on such Borrower within 30 days after the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation; *provided, further*, that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount may be given an S&P Rating based on this subclause (c) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

*provided* that, if (i) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any positive “credit watch” list by S&P, such rating will be increased by one rating subcategory or (ii) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any negative “credit watch” list by S&P, such rating will be decreased by one rating subcategory.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the S&P Rating shall be (A) the rating assigned thereto by S&P if the rating is public, (B) the rating assigned by S&P if the rating is confidential, but only if all appropriate parties have provided written consent to its disclosure and use, (C) the rating assigned by S&P thereto through an estimated rating or (D) the rating assigned thereto by S&P in connection with the acquisition thereof upon the request of the Portfolio Manager. In the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a PIK Security, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Securities, the S&P Rating may not be determined pursuant to clause (iii)(A) above.

S&P Ratings for entities or obligations relevant hereunder other than Borrowers and Collateral Obligations shall be determined in a corresponding manner.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if and for so long as the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations consisting in the aggregate of (x) Participations and (y) Synthetic Securities exceeds 20% of the Maximum Investment Amount, then the S&P Rating for the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations representing that excess (determined assuming the excess is comprised of the Collateral Obligations having the lowest S&P Ratings that would otherwise be applicable as determined above) shall be the S&P Rating one sub-category below the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be applicable as determined above.

**“S&P Unrated DIP Loan”** means a DIP Loan acquired by the Issuer that does not have a rating assigned by S&P and for which the Portfolio Manager has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P (as specified in the definition of “DIP Loan”).

**“Sale Proceeds”** means all proceeds received (including any proceeds received with respect to any associated interest rate swap or security providing fixed annuity payments ) with respect to Collateral Obligations or other Pledged Obligations as a result of their sales or other dispositions less any reasonable expenses expended by the Portfolio Manager or the Trustee in connection with the sales or other dispositions, which shall be paid from such proceeds notwithstanding their characterization otherwise as Administrative Expenses.

**“Second Lien Loan”** means a Secured Loan (other than a Senior Secured Loan) that (i) is only subordinated in right of payment to the Senior Secured Loan and (ii) has a junior contractual claim on tangible property (which property is subject to a prior lien (other than customary permitted liens, as such, but not limited to, any tax liens)) to secure payment of a debt or the fulfillment of a contractual obligation.

**“Secondary Risk Counterparty”** means any obligor Domiciled other than in the United States, any Participating Institution, any Synthetic Security Counterparty and any Securities Lending Counterparty.

**“Secondary Risk Table”** means the table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty		Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
Moody's	S&P		
Aaa	AAA	20.0%	20.0%
Aa1	AA+	10.0%	10.0%
Aa2	AA	10.0%	10.0%
Aa3	AA-	10.0%	10.0%
A1	A+	5.0%	10.0%
A2 or below	A or below	0.0%	0.0%

If any Secondary Risk Counterparty's long-term senior unsecured debt rating or short-term rating is on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P, then for the purposes of the table above, its rating by the Rating Agency putting its rating on credit watch shall be one rating notch lower for that Rating Agency.

**“Secured Parties”** means the Noteholders, the Composite Securityholders (in respect of the Note Components only), the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager and each Hedge Counterparty.

**“Securities Lending Collateral”** means Cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the relevant Securities Lending Agreement and that are pledged by a Securities Lending Counterparty as collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement.

**“Selected Collateral Quality Tests”** means Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Life Test (after taking into consideration any applicable Maturity Extension), the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the Diversity Test.

**“Senior Secured Loan”** means a Secured Loan that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a first priority security interest in collateral.

**“Senior Unsecured Loan”** means a Loan that is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**“Spread Excess”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose (i) numerator is the product of (A) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date over the Minimum Weighted Average Spread specified in the applicable row of the Ratings Matrix and (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date and (ii) denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date. In computing the Spread Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Fixed Rate Excess were equal to zero.

**“Structured Finance Obligation”** means any obligation:

- (i) secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool or portfolio of primarily loans to U.S. obligors, or obligors organized or incorporated in Moody’s Group I Countries, Moody’s Group II Countries or Moody’s Group III Countries, including portfolio credit default swaps, synthetic collateralized debt obligations, and collateralized debt obligations;
- (ii) that has an S&P Rating and an S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate;
- (iii) that has a rating and a Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate assigned by Moody’s; and
- (iv) whose ownership or disposition (without regard to the Issuer’s other activities) by the Issuer will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

In connection with the purchase of a Structured Finance Obligation, the Portfolio Manager shall obtain from Moody’s the applicable Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate.

For purposes of the Diversity Test, multiple Structured Finance Obligations from CDOs managed by the same Portfolio Manager or multiple Structured Finance Obligations issued by the same master trust will be considered to be obligations of one issuer.

**“Subordinated Lien Loan”** means a Secured Loan (other than a Second Lien Loan) secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**“Subscription Agreement”** means a subscription agreement dated between a purchaser and the Issuer, entered into on or before the Closing Date for the subscription of a specified number of Notes or Preference Shares.

**“Super Majority”** means, with respect to any Class or group of Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**“Synthetic Security”** means any swap transaction, structured bond investment, credit linked note, or other derivative financial instrument relating to a debt instrument (but excluding any such instrument relating directly to a basket or portfolio of debt instruments) or an index or indices (such as the “SAMI” index published by Credit Suisse First Boston) in connection with a basket or portfolio of debt instruments or other similar instruments entered into by the Issuer with a Synthetic Security Counterparty that has in the Portfolio Manager’s commercially reasonable judgment, equivalent expected loss characteristics (those characteristics, **“credit risk”**) to those of the related Reference Obligations (taking account of those considerations as they relate to the Synthetic Security Counterparty), if (i) it is either a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied, and (ii) the Reference Obligations thereof have a weighted average Market Value of at least 80% at the time the Synthetic Security is entered into.

The maturity, interest rate, and other non-credit characteristics of a Synthetic Security may be different from the Reference Obligations to which the credit risk of the Synthetic Security relates.

No Synthetic Security shall require the Issuer to make any payment to the Synthetic Security Counterparty after its initial purchase other than any payments represented by the release of any cash collateral posted by the Issuer from the Collection Account to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account simultaneously with the Issuer’s purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of the posted cash collateral. Collateral may be posted only to a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account. No Synthetic Security shall result in the Issuer being a “buyer” of credit protection.

The term Synthetic Security shall not include any Structured Finance Obligation or any Participation, but the Reference Obligation of a Synthetic Security may be a Structured Finance Obligation.

Each Synthetic Security Agreement shall contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those contained in the Indenture.

The ownership or disposition of any Synthetic Security (without regard to the Issuer’s other activities) must not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

Unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any “deliverable obligation” that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any “credit event” under any proposed Synthetic Security must not provide that its transfer to the Issuer is subject to obtaining any consents and must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such “deliverable obligation” is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any “credit event”) as a Collateral Obligation and satisfy the Concentration Limitations under the Indenture, except that such “deliverable obligation” may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a “credit event” and if the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security is a Senior Secured Loan then the “deliverable obligation” under the Synthetic Security must also be a Senior Secured Loan.

Synthetic Securities that are credit default swaps, credit linked notes, or other similar instruments may not provide for “restructuring” as a “credit event.”



For purposes of the Coverage Tests and the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test, unless the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied in respect of any proposed alternative treatment, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in the Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in the Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligation.

With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, for purposes of: (i) calculating compliance with the Diversity Test, the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test, and the Concentration Limitations (other than limits relating to payment characteristics and except for clauses 17 and 17(a) of the definition of “Concentration Limitations”), and all related definitions, and (ii) any other provision or definition of the Indenture involving a determination with respect to a Reference Obligation, the characteristics of such Reference Obligations shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct investment by the Issuer in each such Reference Obligation in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation. In addition, each Reference Obligation under such Synthetic Security shall be assigned a Moody’s Rating Factor equal to the sum of the Moody’s Rating Factor of (i) the related Reference Obligor, (ii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty of such Synthetic Security and (iii) the Synthetic Security Collateral of such Synthetic Security. In addition, the Moody’s Priority Category Rate in respect of a Synthetic Security referencing multiple Reference Obligations pursuant to this paragraph shall be the Moody’s Priority Category Rate as assigned by Moody’s to each Reference Obligation underlying such Synthetic Security. For the avoidance of doubt, Reference Obligations upon which a Synthetic Security is based as described in this paragraph must meet the definition of “Collateral Obligation” to the extent provided in this definition.

If the Rating Condition must be satisfied to execute the purchase of any Synthetic Security, the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, shall give each applicable Rating Agency not less than 5 days’ prior notice of the purchase of or entry into any Synthetic Security.

**“Synthetic Security Agreement”** means the documentation governing any Synthetic Security.

**“Synthetic Security Collateral”** means, respect to any Synthetic Security, amounts posted to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account by the Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its obligations under the Synthetic Security, including (i) all Eligible Investments or (ii) investments that satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to Moody’s, in each case that mature no later than the Stated Maturity, in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account that are purchased with Synthetic Security Collateral.

**“Synthetic Security Counterparty”** means any entity required to make payments on a Synthetic Security to the extent that a reference obligor makes payments on a related Reference Obligation.

**“Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction”** means one of the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the Netherlands Antilles or the tax advantaged jurisdiction of the Channel Islands, or such other jurisdiction that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto.

**“Tax Event”** means an event that occurs if either:

(i) (A) one or more Collateral Obligations that were not subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them have become subject to withholding tax or the rate of withholding has increased on one or more Collateral Obligations that were subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them and (B) in any Due Period, the aggregate of the payments subject to withholding tax on new withholding tax obligations and the increase in payments subject to withholding tax on increased rate withholding tax obligations, in each case to the extent not “grossed-up” (on an after-tax basis) by the related obligor, represent 5% or more of Interest Proceeds for the Due Period; or

(ii) taxes, fees, assessments, or other similar charges are imposed on the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in an aggregate amount in any twelve-month period in excess of U.S.\$2,000,000, other than any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax with respect to any payment owing in respect of any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation or Collateral Obligation.

**“Treasury Regulations”** means regulations, including proposed or temporary regulations, promulgated under the Code. References herein to specific provisions of proposed or temporary regulations shall include analogous provisions of final Treasury Regulations or other successor Treasury Regulations.

**“UCC”** means the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the State of New York, and as amended from time to time.

**“Underlying Instrument”** means the loan agreement, indenture, credit agreement, or other agreement pursuant to which a Pledged Obligation has been issued or created and each other agreement that governs the terms of or secures the obligations represented by the Pledged Obligation or of which the holders of the Pledged Obligation are the beneficiaries.

**“Unscheduled Principal Payments”** means any principal payments received with respect to a Collateral Obligation as a result of optional redemptions, exchange offers, tender offers, other payments or prepayments made at the option of the issuer thereof or that are otherwise not scheduled to be made thereunder.

**“Valuation Report”** means the accounting report, determined as of the close of business on each Determination Date, rendered in accordance with the terms of the Indenture.

**“Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the rate obtained by:

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Fixed Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum rate at which it pays interest (other than, with respect to Collateral Obligations that are not PIK Securities, any interest that is not required to be paid in Cash and may be deferred), using only the effective after-tax interest rate determined by the Portfolio Manager on any Fixed Rate Obligation after taking into account any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction and any gross-up paid by the obligor);

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);

(iii) dividing the sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations that are Fixed Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, adding to the sum the amount of any Spread Excess as of the Measurement Date, but only to the extent required to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test.

**“Weighted Average Life”** means, as of any Measurement Date the number obtained by (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying (A) the Average Life at that time of each Collateral Obligation by (B) the Principal Balance at that time of the Collateral Obligation and (ii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance at that time of all Collateral Obligations.

**“Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor”** means the summation of the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation (excluding Eligible Investments) by its respective Moody’s Rating Factor, dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) and rounding the result up to the nearest whole number.

**“Weighted Average Spread”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate obtained by:

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Floating Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum overall rate at which it pays interest (other than, with respect to Collateral Obligations that are not PIK Securities, any interest that is not required to be paid in Cash and may be deferred), determined with respect to any Floating Rate Obligation that does not bear interest based on a three month London interbank offered rate, by expressing the current interest rate on the Floating Rate Obligation as a spread above a three month London interbank offered rate calculated in a manner consistent with the calculation of LIBOR;

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);

(iii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to pass the Weighted Average Spread Test, adding to that sum the amount of Fixed Rate Excess as of the Measurement Date.

For purposes of calculating the Weighted Average Spread, the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall not include any of its unfunded amount.

**“Workout Assets”** means a Loan, High-Yield Bond, or Qualified Equity Security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation that the Issuer does not advance any funds to purchase that does not qualify as a Collateral Obligation.

**“Zero-Coupon Security”** means a security that, at the time of determination, does not make periodic payments of interest. A Zero-Coupon Security shall not include a security that is a PIK Security.

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## **EXHIBIT GG**

## AMENDED AND RESTATED PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

This Amended and Restated Portfolio Management Agreement, dated as of November 30, 2005, is entered into by and among JASPER CLO LTD., an exempted company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands, with its registered office located at the offices of P.O. Box 1093 GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands (together with successors and assigns permitted hereunder, the "Issuer"), and HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, with its principal offices located at Two Galleria Tower, 13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300, Dallas, Texas 75240, as portfolio manager ("Highland" or, in such capacity, the "Portfolio Manager").

### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Issuer and Jasper CLO Corp. (the "Co-Issuer") issued their Class A Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the "Class A Notes"), Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the "Class B Notes"), Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes (the "Class C Notes"), and Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes (the "Class D Notes") and, together with the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes, the "Notes"), pursuant to an indenture (the "Indenture"), dated as June 29, 2005, among the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, as co-issuer of the Notes, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as trustee (together with any successor trustee permitted under the Indenture, the "Trustee") and the Issuer issued preference shares, par value \$0.01 per share, (the "Preference Shares" and together with the Notes, the "Securities"), pursuant to the Issuer's Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association;

WHEREAS, the Issuer pledged certain Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments and Cash (all as defined in the Indenture) and certain other assets (all as set forth in the Indenture) (collectively, the "Collateral") to the Trustee as security for the Notes;

WHEREAS, the Issuer entered into this Portfolio Management Agreement (the "Original Agreement"), dated June 29, 2005, between the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager pursuant to which the Portfolio Manager agreed to perform, on behalf of the Issuer, certain duties with respect to the Collateral securing the Notes in the manner and on the terms set forth herein;

WHEREAS, the Issuer and Highland wish to amend the Original Agreement in the manner and on the terms set forth herein

WHEREAS, the Portfolio Manager has the capacity to provide the services required hereby and is prepared to perform such services upon the terms and conditions set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements herein set forth, the parties hereto agree as follows:

#### 1. Definitions.

Terms used herein and not defined below shall have the meanings set forth in the Indenture.

"Agreement" shall mean this Portfolio Management Agreement, as amended from time to time.

“Approved Replacement” shall mean an individual (x) who is a partner, director, officer or management level employee of Highland or any affiliate thereof and (y) who shall be proposed by any of James Dondero, Mark Okada, Todd Travers (or a prior Approved Replacement therefor) to replace James Dondero, Mark Okada or Todd Travers (or a prior Approved Replacement therefor) within 30 days after James Dondero, Mark Okada or Todd Travers (or a prior Approved Replacement therefor) fails to be a partner, director, officer or management-level employee of Highland or any affiliate thereof.

“Change of Control” shall mean that two or more of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers (or any Approved Replacement therefor) shall fail to be a partner, director, officer or management-level employee of Highland.

“Governing Instruments” shall mean the memorandum, articles or certificate of incorporation or association and by-laws, if applicable, in the case of a corporation; the certificate of formation, if applicable, or the partnership agreement, in the case of a partnership; or the certificate of formation, if applicable, or the limited liability company agreement, in the case of a limited liability company.

“Offering Memorandum” shall mean the Offering Memorandum of the Issuer dated June 27, 2005 prepared in connection with the offering of the Securities.

“Portfolio Manager Breaches” shall have the meaning specified in Section 10(a).

“Preliminary Offering Memorandum” shall mean the Preliminary Offering Memorandum for the Issuer dated May 2, 2005 prepared in connection with the offering of the Securities.

2. General Duties of the Portfolio Manager.

The Portfolio Manager shall provide services to the Issuer as follows:

(i) Subject to and in accordance with the terms of the Indenture and this Agreement, the Portfolio Manager shall supervise and direct the investment and reinvestment of the Collateral, and shall perform on behalf of the Issuer those investment-related duties and functions that have been specifically delegated or assigned to the Portfolio Manager in the Indenture (and the Portfolio Manager shall have no obligation to perform any other duties other than as specified herein or under the Indenture) and, to the extent necessary or appropriate to perform such duties, the Portfolio Manager shall have the power to execute and deliver all necessary and appropriate documents and instruments on behalf of the Issuer with respect thereto, including without limitation, providing such certifications and Officer’s certificates as are required of the Portfolio Manager or the Issuer under the Indenture with respect to the permitted purchases and sales of Collateral Obligations and other securities required or permitted to be purchased or sold under the Indenture. The Portfolio Manager shall, subject to the terms and conditions hereof and of the Indenture, perform its obligations hereunder and under the Indenture (including, without limitation, its obligations in Sections 2.4 and 9.6 thereof) with reasonable care and in good faith, using a degree of skill and attention no less than that which the Portfolio Manager exercises with respect to comparable assets that it manages for others having similar investment objectives and restrictions, and in a manner consistent with practices and procedures followed by institutional managers of national standing relating to assets of the nature and character of the Collateral for clients having similar investment objectives and restrictions, except as expressly provided otherwise in this Agreement and/or the Indenture. To the extent not

inconsistent with the foregoing, the Portfolio Manager shall follow its customary standards, policies and procedures in performing its duties under the Indenture and hereunder. The Portfolio Manager shall comply with all terms and conditions of the Indenture affecting the duties and functions to be performed hereunder. The Portfolio Manager shall not be bound to follow any amendment to the Indenture until it has received written notice thereof and until it has received a copy of the amendment from the Issuer or the Trustee; provided, however, that the Portfolio Manager shall not be bound by any amendment to the Indenture that affects the rights, duties or liabilities of the Portfolio Manager unless the Portfolio Manager shall have consented thereto in writing. The Issuer agrees that it shall not permit any amendment to the Indenture that (x) affects the rights, duties or liabilities of the Portfolio Manager or (y) affects the amount or priority of any fees payable to the Portfolio Manager to become effective unless the Portfolio Manager has been given prior written notice of such amendment and consented thereto in writing;

the Portfolio Manager shall select any Collateral which shall be acquired by the Issuer pursuant to the Indenture in accordance with the investment criteria set forth therein;

the Portfolio Manager shall monitor the Collateral on an ongoing basis and provide to the Issuer all reports, certificates, schedules and other data with respect to the Collateral which the Issuer is required to prepare and deliver under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement, in the form and containing all information required thereby and in reasonable time for the Issuer to review such required reports, certificates, schedules and data and to deliver them to the parties entitled thereto under the Indenture; the Portfolio Manager shall undertake to determine to the extent reasonably practicable whether a Collateral Obligation has become a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; and the Portfolio Manager shall monitor any Hedge Agreements and direct the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer in respect of all actions to be taken thereunder by the Issuer;

the Portfolio Manager, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture may, at any time permitted under the Indenture, and shall, when required by the Indenture, direct the Trustee (i) to dispose of a Collateral Obligation, Equity Security or Eligible Investment or other securities received in respect thereof in the open market or otherwise, or (ii) to acquire, as security for the Notes in substitution for or in addition to any one or more Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments included in the Collateral, one or more substitute Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments, and may, in each case subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture, direct the Trustee to take the following actions with respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment:

- (1) retain such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment;
- or
- dispose of such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment in the open market or otherwise; or
- if applicable, tender such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment pursuant to an Offer; or

if applicable, consent to any proposed amendment, modification or waiver pursuant to an Offer; or

retain or dispose of any securities or other property (if other than cash) received pursuant to an Offer; or

waive any default with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or

vote to accelerate the maturity of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or

(2) exercise any other rights or remedies with respect to such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment as provided in the related Underlying Instruments or take any other action consistent with the terms of the Indenture which is in the best interests of the Noteholders and the Holders of the Preference Shares; and

subject to and in accordance with the terms of the Indenture and this Agreement, the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer shall determine whether to enter into any additional hedging arrangements, increase or reduce the notional amounts of existing Hedge Agreements or terminate existing Hedge Agreements, and the Portfolio Manager shall use its reasonable efforts to cause the Issuer, promptly following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) and to the extent possible through application of funds received as a result of the early termination (including the proceeds of the liquidation of any collateral pledged by the Hedge Counterparty), to enter into a replacement Hedge Agreement.

(b) In performing its duties hereunder, the Portfolio Manager shall seek to maximize the value of the Collateral for the benefit of the Noteholders and the Holders of the Preference Shares taking into account the investment criteria and limitations set forth herein and in the Indenture and the Portfolio Manager shall use reasonable efforts to manage the Collateral in such a way that will (i) permit a timely performance of all payment obligations by the Issuer under the Indenture and (ii) subject to such objective, maximize the return to the Holders of the Preference Shares; provided, that the Portfolio Manager shall not be responsible if such objectives are not achieved so long as the Portfolio Manager performs its duties under this Agreement in the manner provided for herein, and provided, further, that there shall be no recourse to the Portfolio Manager with respect to the Notes or the Preference Shares. The Portfolio Manager and the Issuer shall take such other action, and furnish such certificates, opinions and other documents, as may be reasonably requested by the other party hereto in order to effectuate the purposes of this Agreement and to facilitate compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the terms of this Agreement.

(c) The Portfolio Manager hereby agrees to the following:

(i) The Portfolio Manager agrees not to institute against, or join any other Person in instituting against, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation proceedings or other proceedings under federal or state bankruptcy or similar laws of any jurisdiction until at least one year and one day after the payment in full of all Notes issued under the Indenture or, if longer, the applicable period then provided by law; provided, however, that nothing in this clause (i) shall preclude, or be deemed to estop, the Portfolio Manager

(A) from taking any action prior to the expiration of such period in (x) any case or proceeding voluntarily filed or commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, or (y) any involuntary insolvency proceeding filed or commenced against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, by a Person other than the Portfolio Manager, or (B) from commencing against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any properties of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any legal action which is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium, liquidation or similar proceeding.

(ii) The Portfolio Manager shall cause each sale or purchase of any Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment to be conducted on an arm's-length basis.

(d) The Portfolio Manager shall not act for the Issuer in any capacity except as provided in this Section 2. In providing services hereunder, the Portfolio Manager may employ third parties, including its Affiliates, to render advice (including investment advice) and assistance; provided, however, that the Portfolio Manager shall not be relieved of any of its duties or liabilities hereunder regardless of the performance of any services by third parties. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Portfolio Manager shall not be required to take any action required of it pursuant to this Agreement or the Indenture if such action would constitute a violation of any law.

### 3. Brokerage.

The Portfolio Manager shall seek to obtain the best prices and execution for all orders placed with respect to the Collateral, considering all reasonable circumstances. Subject to the objective of obtaining best prices and execution, the Portfolio Manager may take into consideration research and other brokerage services furnished to the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates by brokers and dealers which are not Affiliates of the Portfolio Manager. Such services may be used by the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates in connection with its other advisory activities or investment operations. The Portfolio Manager may aggregate sales and purchase orders of securities placed with respect to the Collateral with similar orders being made simultaneously for other accounts managed by Portfolio Manager or with accounts of the Affiliates of the Portfolio Manager, if in the Portfolio Manager's reasonable judgment such aggregation shall result in an overall economic benefit to the Issuer, taking into consideration the advantageous selling or purchase price, brokerage commission and other expenses. In the event that a sale or purchase of a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment (in accordance with the terms of the Indenture) occurs as part of any aggregate sales or purchase orders, the objective of the Portfolio Manager (and any of its Affiliates involved in such transactions) shall be to allocate the executions among the accounts in an equitable manner.

In addition to the foregoing and subject to the provisions of Section 2 and the limitations of Section 5, the objective of obtaining best prices and execution and to the extent permitted by applicable law, the Portfolio Manager may, on behalf of the Issuer, direct the Trustee to acquire any and all of the Eligible Investments or other Collateral from, or sell Collateral Obligations or other Collateral to, the Initial Purchaser, the Trustee or any of their respective Affiliates, or any other firm.

4. Additional Activities of the Portfolio Manager.

Nothing herein shall prevent the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates from engaging in other businesses, or from rendering services of any kind to the Trustee, the Noteholders, the Holders of the Preference Shares or any other Person or entity to the extent permitted by applicable law. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, the Portfolio Manager and partners, directors, officers, employees and agents of the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates may, among other things, and subject to any limits specified in the Indenture:

(a) serve as directors (whether supervisory or managing), officers, partners, employees, agents, nominees or signatories for any issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates, to the extent permitted by their Governing Instruments, as from time to time amended, or by any resolutions duly adopted by the Issuer, its Affiliates or any issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates, pursuant to their respective Governing Instruments; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on any item of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Collateral Quality Test; provided, further, that nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to limit the duties of the Portfolio Manager set forth in Section 2 hereof;

(b) receive fees for services of any nature rendered to the issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on any item of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Collateral Quality Test; and provided, further that if any portion of such services are related to purchase by the Issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral, the portion of such fees relating to such obligations shall be deposited into the Collection Account; and

(c) be a secured or unsecured creditor of, or hold an equity interest in, the Issuer, its Affiliates or any issuer of any obligation included in the Collateral; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on any item of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Collateral Quality Test; provided, further, that nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to limit the duties of the Portfolio Manager set forth in Section 2 hereof.

It is understood that the Portfolio Manager and any of its Affiliates may engage in any other business and furnish investment management and advisory services to others, including Persons which may have investment policies similar to those followed by the Portfolio Manager with respect to the Collateral and which may own securities of the same class, or which are the same type, as the Collateral Obligations or other securities of the issuers of Collateral Obligations. The Portfolio Manager shall be free, in its sole discretion, to make recommendations to others, or effect transactions on behalf of itself or for others, which may be the same as or different from those effected with respect to the Collateral.

Unless the Portfolio Manager determines in its reasonable judgment that such purchase or sale is appropriate, the Portfolio Manager may refrain from directing the purchase or sale hereunder of securities issued by (i) Persons of which the Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates or any of its or their officers, directors or employees are directors or officers, (ii) Persons for which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliate act as financial adviser or underwriter or (iii) Persons about which the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates have information which the Portfolio Manager deems confidential or non-public or otherwise might prohibit it from trading such securities in accordance with applicable law. The Portfolio



Manager shall not be obligated to pursue any particular investment strategy or opportunity with respect to the Collateral.

5. Conflicts of Interest.

(a) The Portfolio Manager shall not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Portfolio Manager such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Portfolio Manager, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the Investment Adviser's Act of 1940.

(b) The Portfolio Manager shall not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Portfolio Manager serves as investment advisor, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Portfolio Manager serves as investment advisor unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Portfolio Manager, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Investment Adviser's Act of 1940.

(c) In addition, the Portfolio Manager shall not undertake any transaction described in this Section 5 unless such transaction is exempt from the prohibited transaction rules of ERISA and the Code.

6. Records; Confidentiality.

The Portfolio Manager shall maintain appropriate books of account and records relating to services performed hereunder, and such books of account and records shall be accessible for inspection by a representative of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Share Paying Agent, the Noteholders, the Holders of the Preference Shares and the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to the Indenture at a mutually agreed time during normal business hours and upon not less than three Business Days' prior notice. At no time shall the Portfolio Manager make a public announcement concerning the issuance of the Notes or the Preference Shares, the Portfolio Manager's role hereunder or any other aspect of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the Indenture. The Portfolio Manager shall keep confidential any and all information obtained in connection with the services rendered hereunder and shall not disclose any such information to non-affiliated third parties except (i) with the prior written consent of the Issuer, (ii) such information as either Rating Agency shall reasonably request in connection with the rating of the Notes, (iii) as required by law, regulation, court order or the rules or regulations of any self regulating organization, body or official having jurisdiction over the Portfolio Manager, (iv) to its professional advisers, (v) such information as shall have been publicly disclosed other than in violation of this Agreement, or (vi) such information that was or is obtained by the Portfolio Manager on a non-confidential basis, provided, that the Portfolio Manager does not know or have reason to know of any breach by such source of any confidentiality obligations with respect thereto. For purposes of this Section 6, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Share Paying Agent, the Noteholders and the Holders of the Preference Shares shall in no event be considered "non-affiliated third parties."

Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement or the Indenture to the contrary, the Portfolio Manager and the Issuer (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) are hereby permitted to disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. For this purpose, the tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction, and the tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. federal income tax treatment of the transaction.

7. Obligations of Portfolio Manager.

Unless otherwise specifically required by any provision of the Indenture or this Agreement or by applicable law, the Portfolio Manager shall use its best reasonable efforts to ensure that no action is taken by it, and shall not intentionally or with reckless disregard take any action, which would (a) materially adversely affect the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for purposes of Cayman Islands law, United States federal or state law or any other law known to the Portfolio Manager to be applicable to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, (b) not be permitted under the Issuer's or the Co-Issuer's respective governing instruments, (c) violate any law, rule or regulation of any governmental body or agency having jurisdiction over the Issuer or the Co-Issuer including, without limitation, any Cayman Islands or United States federal, state or other applicable securities law the violation of which has or could reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any of the Collateral, (d) require registration of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the pool of Collateral as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act, (e) cause the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to violate the terms of the Indenture, including, without limitation, any representations made by the Issuer or Co-Issuer therein, or any other agreement contemplated by the Indenture or (f) engage in any activity which would subject the Issuer's income to taxation on a net basis in any jurisdiction. The Portfolio Manager covenants that it shall comply in all material respects with all laws and regulations applicable to it in connection with the performance of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, the Portfolio Manager shall not be required to take any action under this Agreement or the Indenture if such action would violate any applicable law, rule, regulation or court order.

8. Compensation.

(a) The Issuer shall pay to the Portfolio Manager, for services rendered and performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Management Fee, which shall be payable in such amounts and at such times as set forth in the Indenture. The provisions of the Indenture which relate to the amount and payment of the Management Fee shall not be amended without the consent of the Portfolio Manager. If on any Payment Date there are insufficient funds to pay such fee (and/or any other amounts due and payable to the Portfolio Manager) in full, the amount not so paid shall be deferred and shall be payable with accrued interest on such later Payment Date on which funds are available therefor as provided in the definition of "Subordinated Management Fee" in the Indenture.

(b) The Portfolio Manager shall be responsible for the ordinary expenses incurred in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement; provided, however, that any extraordinary expenses actually incurred by the Collateral Manager in the performance of such obligations (including, but not limited to, any fees, expenses or other amounts payable to the Rating Agencies, the Collateral Administrator, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the accountants appointed by the Issuer, the reasonable expenses incurred by the Portfolio Manager to employ outside lawyers or consultants reasonably necessary in connection with the evaluation, transfer or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation, any reasonable expenses incurred by the Portfolio Manager in obtaining advice from outside counsel with respect to its obligations under this Agreement, brokerage

commissions, transfer fees, registration costs, taxes and other similar costs and transaction related expenses and fees arising out of transactions effected for the Issuer's account and the portion allocated to the Issuer of any other fees and expenses that the Portfolio Manager customarily allocates among all of the funds or portfolios that it manages) shall be reimbursed by the Issuer to the extent funds are available therefor in accordance with and subject to the priority of payments and the other limitations contained in the Indenture.

(c) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 12, Section 14 or otherwise, the fees payable to the Portfolio Manager shall be prorated for any partial periods between Payment Dates during which this Agreement was in effect and shall be due and payable on the first Payment Date following the date of such termination and on any subsequent Payment Dates to the extent remaining unpaid and in accordance with, and to the extent provided in, the Indenture.

9. Benefit of the Agreement.

The Portfolio Manager agrees that its obligations hereunder shall be enforceable at the instance of the Issuer, the Trustee, on behalf of the Noteholders, or the requisite percentage of Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares, as applicable, as provided in the Indenture or the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement, as applicable.

10. Limits of Portfolio Manager Responsibility; Indemnification.

(a) The Portfolio Manager assumes no responsibility under this Agreement other than to render the services called for hereunder and under the terms of the Indenture made applicable to it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement in good faith and, subject to the standard of conduct described in the next sentence, shall not be responsible for any action of the Issuer or the Trustee in following or declining to follow any advice, recommendation or direction of the Portfolio Manager. The Portfolio Manager, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, and its Affiliates and their directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, shall not be liable to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Noteholders, the Preference Share Paying Agent, the Holders of the Preference Shares or any other person for any losses, claims, damages, judgments, assessments, costs or other liabilities (collectively, "Liabilities") incurred by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Noteholders, the Preference Share Paying Agent, the Holders of the Preference Shares or any other person that arise out of or in connection with the performance by the Portfolio Manager of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture, except by reason of (i) acts or omissions constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, gross negligence or breach of fiduciary duty in the performance, or reckless disregard, of the obligations of the Portfolio Manager hereunder and under the terms of the Indenture applicable to it or (ii) with respect to any information included in the Offering Memorandum in the sections entitled "The Portfolio Manager" and "Risk Factors--Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest--The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interests Involving the Portfolio Manager" that contains any untrue statement of material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) collectively being the "Portfolio Manager Breaches").

For the avoidance of doubt, (x) the Portfolio Manager shall have no duty to independently investigate any laws not otherwise known to it in connection with its obligations under this Agreement and the Indenture and (y) the Portfolio Manager shall be deemed to have satisfied Section 7(f) with respect to U.S. federal or state income taxes if (i) the Portfolio Manager acts consistently with the Collateral Acquisition Agreement with respect to Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments and (ii) the Portfolio Manager does not have actual knowledge that its actions with respect to a Collateral Obligation or an Eligible Investment would violate Section 7(f).

(b) The Issuer shall indemnify and hold harmless (the Issuer in such case, the “Indemnifying Party”) the Portfolio Manager, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees (such parties collectively in such case, the “Indemnified Parties”) from and against any and all Liabilities, and shall reimburse each such Indemnified Party for all reasonable fees and expenses (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) (collectively, the “Expenses”) as such Expenses are incurred in investigating, preparing, pursuing or defending any claim, action, proceeding or investigation with respect to any pending or threatened litigation (collectively, the “Actions”), caused by, or arising out of or in connection with, the issuance of the Securities, the transactions contemplated by the Offering Memorandum, the Indenture or this Agreement, and/or any action taken by, or any failure to act by, such Indemnified Party; provided, however, that no Indemnified Party shall be indemnified for any Liabilities or Expenses it incurs as a result of any acts or omissions by any Indemnified Party constituting Portfolio Manager Breaches. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the obligations of the Issuer under this Section 10 shall be payable solely out of the Collateral in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Indenture and shall survive termination of this Agreement.

(c) With respect to any claim made or threatened against an Indemnified Party, or compulsory process or request or other notice of any loss, claim, damage or liability served upon an Indemnified Party, for which such Indemnified Party is or may be entitled to indemnification under this Section 10, such Indemnified Party shall (or with respect to Indemnified Parties that are directors, officers, stockholders, agents or employees of the Portfolio Manager, the Portfolio Manager shall cause such Indemnified Party to):

(i) give written notice to the Indemnifying Party of such claim within ten (10) days after such Indemnified Party’s receipt of actual notice that such claim is made or threatened, which notice to the Indemnifying Party shall specify in reasonable detail the nature of the claim and the amount (or an estimate of the amount) of the claim; provided, however, that the failure of any Indemnified Party to provide such notice to the Indemnifying Party shall not relieve the Indemnifying Party of its obligations under this Section 10 unless the Indemnifying Party is materially prejudiced or otherwise forfeits rights or defenses by reason of such failure;

(ii) at the Indemnifying Party’s expense, provide the Indemnifying Party such information and cooperation with respect to such claim as the Indemnifying Party may reasonably require, including, but not limited to, making appropriate personnel available to the Indemnifying Party at such reasonable times as the Indemnifying Party may request;

(iii) at the Indemnifying Party’s expense, cooperate and take all such steps as the Indemnifying Party may reasonably request to preserve and protect any defense to such claim;

(iv) in the event suit is brought with respect to such claim, upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Indemnifying Party the right, which the Indemnifying Party may exercise in its sole discretion and at its expense, to participate in the investigation, defense and settlement of such claim;

(v) neither incur any material expense to defend against nor release or settle any such claim or make any admission with respect thereto (other than routine or incontestable admissions or factual admissions the failure to make which would expose such Indemnified Party to uninsured liability) nor permit a default or consent to the

entry of any judgment in respect thereof, in each case without the prior written consent of the Indemnifying Party; and

(vi) upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Indemnifying Party the right, in its sole discretion and at its sole expense, to assume the defense of such claim, including, but not limited to, the right to designate counsel reasonably acceptable to the Indemnified Party and to control all negotiations, litigation, arbitration, settlements, compromises and appeals of such claim; provided, that if the Indemnifying Party assumes the defense of such claim, it shall not be liable for any fees and expenses of counsel for any Indemnified Party incurred thereafter in connection with such claim except that if such Indemnified Party reasonably determines that counsel designated by the Indemnifying Party has a conflict of interest in connection with its representation of such Indemnified Party, such Indemnifying Party shall pay the reasonable fees and disbursements of one counsel (in addition to any local counsel) separate from its own counsel for all Indemnified Parties in connection with any one action or separate but similar or related actions in the same jurisdiction arising out of the same general allegations or circumstances; provided, further, that prior to entering into any final settlement or compromise, such Indemnifying Party shall seek the consent of the Indemnified Party and use its commercially reasonable efforts in the light of the then prevailing circumstances (including, without limitation, any express or implied time constraint on any pending settlement offer) to obtain the consent of such Indemnified Party as to the terms of settlement or compromise. If an Indemnified Party does not consent to the settlement or compromise within a reasonable time under the circumstances, the Indemnifying Party shall not thereafter be obligated to indemnify the Indemnified Party for any amount in excess of such proposed settlement or compromise.

(d) In the event that any Indemnified Party waives its right to indemnification hereunder, the Indemnifying Party shall not be entitled to appoint counsel to represent such Indemnified Party nor shall the Indemnifying Party reimburse such Indemnified Party for any costs of counsel to such Indemnified Party.

(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, nothing herein shall in any way constitute a waiver or limitation of any rights which the Issuer, the Holders of Notes or Preference Shares may have under any U.S. federal securities laws.

#### 11. No Partnership or Joint Venture.

The Issuer and the Portfolio Manager are not partners or joint venturers with each other and nothing herein shall be construed to make them such partners or joint venturers or impose any liability as such on either of them. The Portfolio Manager's relation to the Issuer shall be deemed to be that of an independent contractor.

#### 12. Term; Termination.

(a) This Agreement shall commence as of the date first set forth above and shall continue in force and effect until the first of the following occurs: (i) the payment in full of the Notes, the termination of the Indenture in accordance with its terms and the redemption in full of the Preference Shares; (ii) the liquidation of the Collateral and the final distribution of the proceeds of such liquidation to the Noteholders and the Preference Share Paying Agent; or (iii) the termination of this Agreement in accordance with subsection (b), (c), (d) or (e) of this Section 12 or Section 14 of this Agreement.

Subject to Section 12(f) below, the Portfolio Manager may resign, upon 90 days' written notice to the Issuer (or such shorter notice as is acceptable to the Issuer). If the Portfolio Manager resigns, the Issuer agrees to appoint a successor Portfolio Manager to assume such duties and obligations.

Subject to Section 12(f) below, the Portfolio Manager may be removed without cause upon 90 days' prior written notice by the Issuer, at the direction of the Holders of a Super Majority of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Preference Shares (excluding Preference Shares held by the Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates or any account for which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority at the time of such vote); provided, however, that the Portfolio Manager shall have the right to avoid any such removal if, on or prior to the proposed removal date the following conditions are satisfied: (i) the Portfolio Manager provides written notice, not less than 20 Business Days prior to the proposed removal date, to the Holders of the Composite Securities, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Preference Shares), the Issuer and the Trustee that the Portfolio Manager intends to purchase not less than all of the Preference Shares voting for such removal from the Holders thereof (the "Directing Preference Shares" and all of the securities relating to the Preference Share Components which constitute a part of the Directing Preference Shares), (ii) in the notice provided to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Preference Shares) in the preceding clause (i), the Portfolio Manager includes a statement to the effect that each Holder of Preference Share (including each Holder of a Composite Security in respect of Preference Share Components) who did not vote for removal may provide written notice to the Portfolio Manager not later than 5 Business Days prior to the proposed removal date that the Preference Shares or Preference Share Components, as applicable, held by such Holder shall be deemed to be included in the Directing Preference Shares as provided in the preceding clause (i), and (iii) the Portfolio Manager effects the purchase of not less than all of the Directing Preference Shares and all of the Composite Securities relating to the Preference Share Components which form a part of the Directing Preference Shares at the Buy-out Amount. If all of the conditions set forth in the preceding sentence are satisfied on or prior to the proposed removal date, the Portfolio Manager shall continue as the Portfolio Manager under this Agreement. For purposes of this Section 12(c), "Buy-out Amount" means, with respect to the (i) Directing Preference Shares, an amount, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Directing Preference Shares since the Closing Date, would cause the Directing Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of the Portfolio Manager's purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 15% (assuming such purchase date was a "Payment Date" under the Indenture), (ii) the Class 1 Composite Securities, the sum of (x) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (i) in respect of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 1 Composite Security Preference Share Component and (y) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D-2 Notes underlying the Note Component plus all accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) to the date of purchase and (iii) the Class 2 Composite Securities, the sum of (x) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (i) in respect of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 2 Composite Security Preference Share Component and (y) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes underlying the Note Component plus all accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) to the date of purchase.

(b) This Agreement shall be automatically terminated in the event that the Issuer determines in good faith that the Issuer or the pool of Collateral has become required to be registered under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, and the Issuer notifies the Portfolio Manager thereof.

(c) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to this Section 12, neither party shall have any further liability or obligation to the other, except as provided in Sections 2(c)(i), 8, 10 and 15 of this Agreement.

(d) No removal, termination or resignation of the Portfolio Manager shall be effective unless (i) at the written direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer appoints a successor Portfolio Manager that has agreed in writing to assume all of the Portfolio Manager's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture and (ii) the successor Portfolio Manager is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single Class (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates)); provided, that if a Majority of the Preference Shares has nominated two or more successor Portfolio Managers that have been objected to pursuant to clause (ii) of the preceding sentence or has otherwise failed to appoint a successor Portfolio Manager that is not objected to pursuant to clause (ii) of the preceding sentence within 60 days of the date of notice of such removal, termination or resignation of the Portfolio Manager, then any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes or the Trustee may petition a court of competent authority to appoint a successor Portfolio Manager. In addition, any successor Portfolio Manager must be an established institution which (i) has demonstrated an ability to professionally and competently perform duties similar to those imposed upon the Portfolio Manager hereunder, (ii) is legally qualified and has the capacity to act as Portfolio Manager hereunder, as successor to the Portfolio Manager under this Agreement in the assumption of all of the responsibilities, duties and obligations of the Portfolio Manager hereunder and under the applicable terms of the Indenture, (iii) shall not cause the Issuer or the pool of Collateral to become required to register under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, (iv) shall perform its duties as Portfolio Manager under this Agreement and the Indenture without causing the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Holder of Preference Shares to become subject to tax in any jurisdiction where such successor Portfolio Manager is established as doing business and (v) each Rating Agency has confirmed that the appointment of such successor Portfolio Manager shall not cause its then-current rating of any Class of Notes or Composite Securities to be reduced or withdrawn. No compensation payable to a successor from payments on the Collateral shall be greater than that paid to the Portfolio Manager without the prior written consent of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes, a Majority of the Notes and a Majority of the Preference Shares. The Issuer, the Trustee and the successor Portfolio Manager shall take such action (or cause the retiring Portfolio Manager to take such action) consistent with this Agreement and the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager, as shall be necessary to effectuate any such succession.

(e) In the event of removal of the Portfolio Manager pursuant to this Agreement, the Issuer shall have all of the rights and remedies available with respect thereto at law or equity, and, without limiting the foregoing, the Issuer or, to the extent so provided in the Indenture, the Trustee may by notice in writing to the Portfolio Manager as provided under this Agreement terminate all the rights and obligations of the Portfolio Manager under this Agreement (except those that survive termination pursuant to Section 12(e) above). Upon expiration of the applicable notice period with respect to termination specified in this Section 12 or Section 14 of this Agreement, as applicable, all authority and power of the Portfolio Manager under this Agreement, whether with respect to the Collateral or otherwise, shall automatically and without further action by any person or entity pass to and be vested in the successor Portfolio Manager upon the appointment thereof.

### 13. Delegation; Assignments.

This Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Portfolio Manager hereunder, shall not be delegated by the Portfolio Manager, in whole or in part, except to any entity that is both (i) controlled by two or more of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers and (ii) one in which two or more of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers (or any Approved Replacement thereof) is involved in the day to day management and operations (and in any such case pursuant to an instrument of delegation in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer), without the prior written consent of the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes and a Majority of the Preference Shares

(excluding Preference Shares held by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates), and, notwithstanding any such consent, no delegation of obligations or duties by the Portfolio Manager (including, without limitation, to an entity described above) shall relieve the Portfolio Manager from any liability hereunder.

Subject to Section 12, any assignment of this Agreement to any Person, in whole or in part, by the Portfolio Manager shall be deemed null and void unless (i) such assignment is consented to in writing by the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes and the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding Preference Shares held by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates) and (ii) the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to any such assignment. Any assignment consented to by the Issuer and such Noteholders and Holders of Preference Shares shall bind the assignee hereunder in the same manner as the Portfolio Manager is bound. In addition, the assignee shall execute and deliver to the Issuer and the Trustee a counterpart of this Agreement naming such assignee as Portfolio Manager. Upon the execution and delivery of such a counterpart by the assignee and consent thereto by the Issuer, such Noteholders and such Holders of the Preference Shares, the Portfolio Manager shall be released from further obligations pursuant to this Agreement, except with respect to its obligations arising under Section 10 of this Agreement prior to such assignment and except with respect to its obligations under Sections 2(c)(i) and 15 hereof. This Agreement shall not be assigned by the Issuer without the prior written consent of the Portfolio Manager and the Trustee, except in the case of assignment by the Issuer to (i) an entity which is a successor to the Issuer permitted under the Indenture, in which case such successor organization shall be bound hereunder and by the terms of said assignment in the same manner as the Issuer is bound thereunder or (ii) the Trustee as contemplated by the Indenture. In the event of any assignment by the Issuer, the Issuer shall cause its successor to execute and deliver to the Portfolio Manager such documents as the Portfolio Manager shall consider reasonably necessary to effect fully such assignment. The Portfolio Manager hereby consents to the matters set forth in Article 15 of the Indenture.

#### 14. Termination by the Issuer for Cause.

Subject to Section 12(f) above, this Agreement shall be terminated, and the Portfolio Manager shall be removed, by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee or a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or by a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates), in each case for cause upon 10 days' prior written notice to the Portfolio Manager and upon written notice to the Noteholders and the Holders of the Preference Shares as set forth below. For purposes of determining "cause" with respect to any such termination of this Agreement, such term shall mean any one of the following events:

(a) the Portfolio Manager willfully breaches in any respect, or takes any action that it knows violates in any respect, any provision of this Agreement or any terms of the Indenture applicable to it;

(b) the Portfolio Manager breaches in any material respect any provision of this Agreement or any terms of the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement applicable to it, or any representation, warranty, certification or statement given in writing by the Portfolio Manager shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or given, and the Portfolio Manager fails to cure such breach or take such action so that the facts (after giving effect to such action) conform in all material respects to such representation, warranty, certificate or statement, in each case within 30 days of becoming aware of, or receiving notice from, the Trustee of, such breach or materially incorrect representation, warranty, certificate or statement;

(c) the Portfolio Manager is wound up or dissolved (other than a dissolution in which the remaining members elect to continue the business of the Portfolio Manager in accordance



with its Governing Instruments) or there is appointed over it or a substantial portion of its assets a receiver, administrator, administrative receiver, trustee or similar officer, or the Portfolio Manager (i) ceases to be able to, or admits in writing its inability to, pay its debts as they become due and payable, or makes a general assignment for the benefit of or enters into any composition or arrangement with, its creditors generally; (ii) applies for or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, assignee, custodian, liquidator or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Portfolio Manager or of any substantial part of its properties or assets, or authorizes such an application or consent, or proceedings seeking such appointment are commenced without such authorization, consent or application against the Portfolio Manager and continue undismissed for 60 days; (iii) authorizes or files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, or applies for or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the application of any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, readjustment of debt, insolvency or dissolution, or authorizes such application or consent, or proceedings to such end are instituted against the Portfolio Manager without such authorization, application or consent and are approved as properly instituted and remain undismissed for 60 days or result in adjudication of bankruptcy or insolvency; or (iv) permits or suffers all or any substantial part of its properties or assets to be sequestered or attached by court order and the order remains undismissed for 60 days;

(d) the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture that results from any breach by the Portfolio Manager of its duties under the Indenture or this Agreement, which breach or default is not cured within any applicable cure period; or

(e) (x) the occurrence of an act by the Portfolio Manager related to its activities in any securities, financial advisory or other investment business that constitutes fraud, (y) the Portfolio Manager being indicted, or any of its principals being convicted, of a felony criminal offense related to its activities in any securities, financial advisory or other investment business or (z) the Portfolio Manager being indicted for, adjudged liable in a civil suit for, or convicted of a violation of the Securities Act or any other United States Federal securities law or any rules or regulations thereunder; or

(f) a Change of Control shall occur with respect to the Portfolio Manager.

If any of the events specified in this Section 14 shall occur, the Portfolio Manager shall give prompt written notice thereof to the Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Share Paying Agent and the Holders of all outstanding Notes and Preference Shares upon the Portfolio Manager's becoming aware of the occurrence of such event. A Super Majority of Controlling Class of Notes and a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates) may, acting together, waive any event described above as a basis for termination of this Agreement and removal of the Portfolio Manager under this Section 14.

#### 15. Action Upon Termination.

(a) From and after the effective date of termination of this Agreement, the Portfolio Manager shall not be entitled to compensation for further services hereunder, but shall be paid all compensation accrued to the date of termination, as provided in Section 8 hereof, and shall be entitled to receive any amounts owing under Section 10 hereof. Upon the effective date of termination of this Agreement, the Portfolio Manager shall as soon as practicable:

(i) deliver to the Issuer all property and documents of the Trustee or the Issuer or otherwise relating to the Collateral then in the custody of the Portfolio Manager; and

(ii) deliver to the Trustee an accounting with respect to the books and records delivered to the Trustee or the successor Portfolio Manager appointed pursuant to Section 12(d) hereof.

Notwithstanding such termination, the Portfolio Manager shall remain liable to the extent set forth herein (but subject to Section 10 hereof) for its acts or omissions hereunder arising prior to termination and for any expenses, losses, damages, liabilities, demands, charges and claims (including reasonable attorneys' fees) in respect of or arising out of a breach of the representations and warranties made by the Portfolio Manager in Section 16(b) hereof or from any failure of the Portfolio Manager to comply with the provisions of this Section 15.

(b) The Portfolio Manager agrees that, notwithstanding any termination, it shall reasonably cooperate in any Proceeding arising in connection with this Agreement, the Indenture or any of the Collateral (excluding any such Proceeding in which claims are asserted against the Portfolio Manager or any Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager) upon receipt of appropriate indemnification and expense reimbursement.

16. Representations and Warranties.

(a) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants to the Portfolio Manager as follows:

(i) The Issuer has been duly registered and is validly existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands, has full power and authority to own its assets and the securities proposed to be owned by it and included in the Collateral and to transact the business in which it is presently engaged and is duly qualified under the laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Indenture, the Notes or the Preference Shares would require, such qualification, except for failures to be so qualified, authorized or licensed that would not in the aggregate have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Issuer.

(ii) The Issuer has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement, the Indenture and the Notes and all obligations required hereunder, under the Indenture and the Notes and has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement, the Indenture, the Notes and the Preference Shares on the terms and conditions hereof and thereof and the execution by the Issuer, delivery and performance of this Agreement, the Indenture and the Notes and the performance of all obligations imposed upon it hereunder and thereunder. No consent of any other person including, without limitation, stockholders and creditors of the Issuer, and no license, permit, approval or authorization of, exemption by, notice or report to, or registration, filing or declaration with, any governmental authority, other than those that may be required under state securities or "blue sky" laws and those that have been or shall be obtained in connection with the Indenture and the issuance of the Notes and the Preference Shares, is required by the Issuer in connection with this Agreement, the Indenture, the Notes or the Preference Shares or the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Agreement, the Indenture or the Notes or the obligations imposed upon it hereunder or thereunder. This Agreement constitutes, and each instrument or document required hereunder, when executed and delivered hereunder, shall constitute, the legally valid and binding obligation of the Issuer enforceable against the Issuer in accordance with its terms, subject to (a) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency

or similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights and (b) general equitable principles.

(iii) The execution by the Issuer, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the documents and instruments required hereunder shall not violate any provision of any existing law or regulation binding on the Issuer, or any order, judgment, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or governmental authority binding on the Issuer, or the Governing Instruments of, or any securities issued by, the Issuer or of any mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking to which the Issuer is a party or by which the Issuer or any of its assets may be bound, the violation of which would have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Issuer, and shall not result in or require the creation or imposition of any lien on any of its property, assets or revenues pursuant to the provisions of any such mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking (other than the lien of the Indenture).

(iv) The Issuer is not in violation of its Governing Instruments or in breach or violation of or in default under the Indenture or any contract or agreement to which it is a party or by which it or any of its assets may be bound, or any applicable statute or any rule, regulation or order of any court, government agency or body having jurisdiction over the Issuer or its properties, the breach or violation of which or default under which would have a material adverse effect on the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the performance by the Issuer of its duties hereunder.

(v) True and complete copies of the Indenture and the Issuer's Governing Instruments have been delivered to the Portfolio Manager.

The Issuer agrees to deliver a true and complete copy of each amendment to the documents referred to in Section 16(a)(v) above to the Portfolio Manager as promptly as practicable after its adoption or execution.

(b) The Portfolio Manager hereby represents and warrants to the Issuer as follows:

(i) The Portfolio Manager is a limited partnership duly organized and validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware, has full power and authority to own its assets and to transact the business in which it is currently engaged and is duly qualified and in good standing under the laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of this Agreement would require such qualification, except for those jurisdictions in which the failure to be so qualified, authorized or licensed would not have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Portfolio Manager or on the ability of the Portfolio Manager to perform its obligations under, or on the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement and the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager.

(ii) The Portfolio Manager has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement and all obligations required hereunder and under the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager, and has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement on the terms and conditions hereof and the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and all obligations required

hereunder and under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager. No consent of any other person, including, without limitation, creditors of the Portfolio Manager, and no license, permit, approval or authorization of, exemption by, notice or report to, or registration, filing or declaration with, any governmental authority is required by the Portfolio Manager in connection with this Agreement or the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the obligations required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager. This Agreement has been, and each instrument and document required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture shall be, executed and delivered by a duly authorized partner of the Portfolio Manager, and this Agreement constitutes, and each instrument and document required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture when executed and delivered by the Portfolio Manager hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture shall constitute, the valid and legally binding obligations of the Portfolio Manager enforceable against the Portfolio Manager in accordance with their terms, subject to (a) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights and (b) general equitable principles.

(iii) The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager and the documents and instruments required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture shall not violate or conflict with any provision of any existing law or regulation binding on or applicable to the Portfolio Manager, or any order, judgment, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or governmental authority binding on the Portfolio Manager, or the Governing Instruments of, or any securities issued by the Portfolio Manager or of any mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking to which the Portfolio Manager is a party or by which the Portfolio Manager or any of its assets may be bound, the violation of which would have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Portfolio Manager or its ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement and the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager, and shall not result in or require the creation or imposition of any lien on any of its material property, assets or revenues pursuant to the provisions of any such mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking.

(iv) There is no charge, investigation, action, suit or proceeding before or by any court pending or, to the best knowledge of the Portfolio Manager, threatened that, if determined adversely to the Portfolio Manager, would have a material adverse effect upon the performance by the Portfolio Manager of its duties under, or on the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement and the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager hereunder.

(v) The Portfolio Manager is a registered investment advisor under the United States Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended.

(vi) The Portfolio Manager is not in violation of its Governing Instruments or in breach or violation of or in default under any contract or agreement to which it is a party or by which it or any of its property may be bound, or any applicable statute or any rule, regulation or order of any court, government agency or body having jurisdiction over the Portfolio Manager or its properties, the breach or violation of which or default under which would have a material adverse effect on the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager, or the performance by the Portfolio Manager of its duties hereunder.

17. Notices.

Unless expressly provided otherwise herein, all notices, requests, demands and other communications required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing (including by telecopy) and shall be deemed to have been duly given, made and received when delivered against receipt or upon actual receipt of registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, or, in the case of telecopy notice, when received in legible form, addressed as set forth below:

(a) If to the Issuer:

Jasper CLO Ltd.  
/o Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited  
P.O. Box 1234  
Queensgate House, South Church Street,  
George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands  
Telecopy: (345) 945-6265  
Attention: The Directors

(b) If to the Portfolio Manager:

Highland Capital Management, L.P.  
Two Galleria Tower  
13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300  
Dallas, Texas 75240  
Telephone: (972) 628-4100  
Telecopy: (972) 628-4147  
Attention: James Dondero

(c) If to the Trustee:

JPMorgan Chase Bank  
600 Travis Street, 50<sup>th</sup> Floor,  
Houston, Texas 77002  
Telecopy: (713) 216-2101  
Attention: Worldwide Securities Services —Jasper CLO Ltd.

(d) If to the Noteholders:

In accordance with Section 14.4 of the Indenture, at their respective addresses set forth on the Note Register.

(e) If to the Holders of the Preference Shares:

In accordance with Section 14.4 of the Indenture, to the Preference Share Paying Agent at the address identified therein.

Any party may alter the address or telecopy number to which communications or copies are to be sent by giving notice of such change of address in conformity with the provisions of this Section 17 for the giving of notice.

18. Binding Nature of Agreement; Successors and Assigns.

This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns as provided herein. The Portfolio Manager hereby consents to the collateral assignment of this Agreement as provided in the Indenture and further agrees that the Trustee may enforce the Portfolio Manager's obligations hereunder.

19. Entire Agreement.

This Agreement contains the entire agreement and understanding among the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements, understandings, inducements and conditions, express or implied, oral or written, of any nature whatsoever with respect to the subject matter hereof. The express terms hereof control and supersede any course of performance and/or usage of the trade inconsistent with any of the terms hereof. This Agreement may not be modified or amended other than by an agreement in writing executed by the parties hereto and in accordance with the terms of Section 15.1(f)(iv) of the Indenture.

20. Conflict with the Indenture.

Subject to the last two sentences of Section 2(a)(ii), in the event that this Agreement requires any action to be taken with respect to any matter and the Indenture requires that a different action be taken with respect to such matter, and such actions are mutually exclusive, the provisions of the Indenture in respect thereof shall control.

21. Priority of Payments.

The Portfolio Manager agrees that the payment of all amounts to which it is entitled pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture shall be due and payable only in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Indenture and only to the extent funds are available for such payments in accordance with such priorities.

22. Governing Law.

**THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS PROVISIONS THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION.**

23. Indulgences Not Waivers.

Neither the failure nor any delay on the part of any party hereto to exercise any right, remedy, power or privilege under this Agreement shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power or privilege preclude any other or further exercise of the same or of any other right, remedy, power or privilege, nor shall any waiver of any right, remedy, power or privilege with respect to any occurrence be construed as a waiver of such right, remedy, power or privilege with respect to any other occurrence. No waiver shall be effective unless it is in writing and is signed by the party asserted to have granted such waiver.

24. Costs and Expenses.

Except as may otherwise be agreed in writing, the costs and expenses (including the fees and disbursements of counsel and accountants) incurred by each party in connection with the negotiation and preparation of and the execution of this Agreement, and all matters incident thereto, shall be borne by such party.

25. Titles Not to Affect Interpretation.

The titles of paragraphs and subparagraphs contained in this Agreement are for convenience only, and they neither form a part of this Agreement nor are they to be used in the construction or interpretation hereof.

26. Execution in Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts by facsimile or other written form of communication, each of which shall be deemed to be an original as against any party whose signature appears thereon, and all of which shall together constitute one and the same instrument. This Agreement shall become binding when one or more counterparts hereof, individually or taken together, shall bear the signatures of all of the parties reflected hereon as the signatories.

27. Provisions Separable.

In case any provision in this Agreement shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable as written, such provision shall be construed in the manner most closely resembling the apparent intent of the parties with respect to such provision so as to be valid, legal and enforceable; provided, however, that if there is no basis for such a construction, such provision shall be ineffective only to the extent of such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability and, unless the ineffectiveness of such provision destroys the basis of the bargain for one of the parties to this Agreement, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions hereof or thereof shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

28. Number and Gender.

Words used herein, regardless of the number and gender specifically used, shall be deemed and construed to include any other number, singular or plural, and any other gender, masculine, feminine or neuter, as the context requires.

29. Written Disclosure Statement.

The Issuer and the Trustee acknowledge receipt of Part II of the Portfolio Manager's Form ADV filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, as required by Rule 204-3 under the Advisers Act, more than 48 hours prior to the date of execution of this Agreement.

30. Miscellaneous.

(a) In the event that any vote is solicited with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, shall vote or refrain from voting any such security in any manner permitted by the Indenture that the Portfolio Manager has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Noteholders and the Holders of the Preference Shares. In addition, with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, may instruct the trustee for such Defaulted Collateral Obligation to enforce the Issuer's

rights under the Underlying Instruments governing such Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any applicable law, rule or regulation in any manner permitted under the Indenture that the Portfolio Manager has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Noteholders and the Holders of the Preference Shares. In the event any Offer is made with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, may take such action as is permitted by the Indenture and that the Portfolio Manager has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Noteholders and the Holders of the Preference Shares.

(b) In connection with taking or omitting any action under the Indenture or this Agreement, the Portfolio Manager may consult with counsel and may rely in good faith on the advice of such counsel or any opinion of counsel.

Without prejudice to Section 14(f) hereof, any corporation, partnership or limited liability company into which the Portfolio Manager may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any corporation, partnership or limited liability company resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Portfolio Manager shall be a party, or any corporation, partnership or limited liability company succeeding to all or substantially all of the collateral management business of the Portfolio Manager, shall be the successor to the Portfolio Manager without any further action by the Portfolio Manager, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Noteholders or any other person or entity.

#### Limitation of Liabilities.

The Issuer's obligations hereunder are solely the corporate obligations of the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager shall not have any recourse to any of the directors, officers, shareholders, members or incorporators of the Issuer with respect to any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations in connection with any transactions contemplated hereby, except for any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations caused by the gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct of such directors, officers, shareholders, members or incorporators of the Issuer. The obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be limited to the net proceeds of the Collateral, if any, and following realization of the Collateral and its application in accordance with the Indenture, any outstanding obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. The provisions of this section shall survive termination of this Agreement.

#### Consent to Posting of Documents on Repository.

The Portfolio Manager hereby consents to (i) the posting of the final Offering Memorandum, the Indenture and any Hedge Agreements (collectively, the "Documents") and the periodic reports to be delivered pursuant to the Documents and any amendments or other modifications thereto on the Repository (as such term is defined in the Indenture) for use in the manner provided in the Repository; and (ii) the display of its name on the Repository in connection therewith.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., as  
Portfolio Manager

BY: STRAND ADVISORS, INC., as General  
Partner

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

JASPER CLO LTD. as Issuer

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: **VIJAYABALAN MURUGESU**  
Title: **DIRECTOR**

## **EXHIBIT HH**

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**JASPER CLO LTD.**

Issuer,

**JASPER CLO CORP.**

Co-Issuer,

and

**JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION**

Trustee

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**INDENTURE**

Dated as of June 29, 2005

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**COLLATERALIZED DEBT OBLIGATIONS**

U.S.\$521,500,000 Class A Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2017  
U.S.\$35,000,000 Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2017  
U.S.\$35,000,000 Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2017  
U.S.\$33,500,000 Class D-1 Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2017  
U.S.\$5,000,000 Class D-2 Fixed Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2017  
U.S.\$10,000,000 Class 1 Extendable Composite Securities Due 2017  
U.S.\$5,000,000 Class 2 Extendable Composite Securities Due 2017

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INDENTURE, dated as of June 29, 2005, among JASPER CLO LTD. (the "**Issuer**"), JASPER CLO CORP. (the "**Co-Issuer**") and JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as trustee (together with its permitted successors, the "**Trustee**").

#### PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

The Co-Issuers are duly authorized to execute and deliver this Indenture to provide for the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D-1 Notes and the Class D-2 Notes issuable as provided in this Indenture and the Issuer is duly authorized to execute and deliver this Indenture to provide for the Composite Securities issuable as provided in this Indenture. All covenants and agreements made by the Co-Issuers in this Indenture are for the benefit and security of the Secured Parties. The Co-Issuers are entering into this Indenture, and the Trustee is accepting the trusts created by this Indenture, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged.

All things necessary to make this Indenture a valid agreement of the Co-Issuers in accordance with the agreement's terms have been done.

#### GRANTING CLAUSES

The Issuer Grants to the Trustee, for the benefit and security of the Noteholders, the Composite Securityholders (with respect to the Note Components only), the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager and each Hedge Counterparty (collectively, the "**Secured Parties**"), all of its right, title, and interest in, to, and under, in each case, whether now owned or existing, or hereafter acquired or arising:

(a) the Collateral Obligations (listed, as of the Closing Date, in Schedule 1 to this Indenture and as such Schedule 1 may be modified, amended and revised subsequent to the Closing Date by the Issuer) and all Workout Assets, including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles (as defined in the UCC) relating thereto, all payments made or to be made thereon or with respect thereto, and all Collateral Obligations and Workout Assets including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles (as defined in the UCC) relating thereto, which are delivered or credited to the Trustee, or for which a Security Entitlement is delivered or credited to the Trustee or which are credited to one or more of the Issuer Accounts on or after the Closing Date and all payments made or to be made thereon or with respect thereto;

(b) the Custodial Account, the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, and the Securities Lending Account (collectively, the "**Issuer Accounts**"), Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, and all income from the investment of funds in the Issuer Accounts;

(c) the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account (and together with the Issuer Accounts, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account and the Securities Lending Account, the "**Accounts**") and assets included therein, subject to the terms of the related Synthetic Security (provided, however, that any such rights in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee (or Securities Intermediary) first to secure the Issuer's payment obligations to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty and second for the benefit of the Secured Parties);

(d) the Management Agreement, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Securities Lending Agreements and all Securities Lending Collateral and the Securities Lending Account, the Hedge Agreements as set forth in Article 15 and all Collateral securing the Hedge Counterparty's obligations thereunder including, without limitation, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Collateral Administration Agreement to the extent of any rights of the Issuer therein;

(e) all Cash or money delivered to the Trustee (or its bailee);

(f) all securities, investments, investment property, instruments, money and agreements of any nature in which the Issuer has an interest (except for money, securities and investments in the Issuer's bank account in the Cayman Islands), including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles (as defined in the UCC) relating thereto; and

(g) all proceeds with respect to the foregoing;

(all of the property and assets described in foregoing clauses (a) through (g), but excluding the Excluded Property, the "*Collateral*").

These Grants are not intended to and do not transfer any liability under the Collateral, which liabilities shall remain the sole obligation of the Issuer. These Grants are made, however, in trust as separate trusts, to secure the Notes. Except as provided in Article 13 and the priorities set forth in the Priority of Payments, the Notes are secured by the first grant equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction between any Note and any other Note because of difference in time of issuance or otherwise. The Grants are made to secure, in accordance with the priorities in the Priority of Payments and Article 13:

(i) the payment of all amounts due on the Notes equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction between any Note and any other Note because of difference in time of issuance or otherwise, in accordance with their terms;

(ii) the payment of all other sums payable under this Indenture (other than amounts payable in respect of the Preference Shares);

(iii) the payment of sums payable to any Hedge Counterparty under a Hedge Agreement;

(iv) the payment of sums payable to the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement; and

(v) compliance with this Indenture;

(collectively, the "*Secured Obligations*"), all as provided in this Indenture.

The Trustee acknowledges the Grants, accepts the trusts under this Indenture in accordance with this Indenture, and agrees to perform its duties in this Indenture in accordance with the provisions hereof.

## ARTICLE 1

### DEFINITIONS

#### Section 1.1. *Definitions.*

Except as otherwise specified in this Indenture or as the context may otherwise require, the following terms have the respective meanings provided below for all purposes of this Indenture. Payments or distributions made or to be made on the Composite Securities in respect of their Components are referred to as payments made or to be made on the Class C Component, the Class D-2 Component and the Preference Share Components.

Except as otherwise specified herein or as the context may otherwise require or dictate or unless the Composite Securities are explicitly addressed in the same context, (A) all references in this Indenture to the "Class C Notes," the "Class D-2 Notes" and the "Preference Shares" include the "Class C Component," the "Class D-2 Component" and the "Preference Share Components," respectively, of the Composite Securities, (B) all references in this Indenture to the rights of the Holders of the Class C Notes, the Holders of the Class D-2 Notes and Holders of the Preference Shares (including with respect to any payments, distributions, redemptions, votes or consents to be given by such Holders) include the rights of the Holders of the Composite Securities to the extent of the Class C Component, the Class D-2 Component and the Preference Share Components, respectively, of the Composite Securities.

**"1940 Act"**: The United States Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

**"A/B Exchange"**: An exchange of one security (the "**A Security**") for another security (the "**B Security**") of the same issuer or issuers, which security shall have substantially identical terms to the A Security except that one or more transfer restrictions applicable to the A Security are inapplicable to the B Security.

**"Accounts"**: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Accountants' Certificate"**: An agreed upon procedures report of a firm of Independent certified public accountants of international reputation appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8(a), which may be the firm of Independent accountants that performs certain accounting services for the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager.

**"Accredited Investor"**: The meaning specified in Rule 501(a) of the Securities Act.

**"Accrued Interest On Sale"**: Interest accrued on a Collateral Obligation at the time of sale or other disposition to the extent paid to the Issuer as part of the sale or other disposition price of the Collateral Obligation after deduction of any amount representing Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal"**: (i) Interest accrued on or purchased with a Collateral Obligation as part of the price paid by the Issuer to acquire the Collateral Obligation less any amount of Interest Proceeds (applied as Interest Proceeds) applied by the Issuer to acquire the accrued interest at the time of purchase and (ii) interest accrued on a Warehoused Loan as part of the price paid by the Issuer to repurchase and terminate the related participation under the Warehouse Agreement.

**"Act"**: The meaning specified in Section 14.2.

**"Administration Agreement":** The Administration Agreement, between the Issuer and the Administrator, providing for the administrative functions of the Issuer, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Administrative Expense Cap":** An amount on any Payment Date equal to the excess of:

(a) the sum of 0.05% of the Maximum Investment Amount on the related Determination Date plus \$150,000, *over*

(b) the sum of the amounts paid for Administrative Expenses in the twelve months preceding the current Payment Date.

**"Administrative Expenses":** Amounts due or accrued representing

(i) tax preparation, filing, and registration fees or expenses and any other filing and registration fees owed by the Co-Issuers (including all filing, registration, and annual return fees payable to the Cayman Islands government and registered office fees);

(ii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Trustee (including all amounts under Section 6.7), the Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Collateral Administrator;

(iii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Co-Issuers and of accountants, agents, and counsel for either of the Co-Issuers;

(iv) fees and expenses of the Rating Agencies in connection with any rating of the Securities owed by either Co-Issuer (including fees and expenses for surveillance, credit estimates, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies);

(v) expenses and indemnities (but not Management Fees) of the Portfolio Manager if payable under the Management Agreement;

(vi) fees and expenses for third-party loan pricing services and accountants; and

(vii) amounts due (other than indemnities) to any other person (except the Portfolio Manager) if specifically provided for in this Indenture, including fees or expenses in connection with any Securities Lending Agreement.

**"Administrator":** Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited.

**"Affiliate" or "Affiliated":** With respect to a person,

(i) any other person who, directly or indirectly, is in control of, or controlled by, or is under common control with, the person, or

(ii) any other person who is a director, officer, or employee (A) of the person, (B) of any subsidiary or parent company of the person, or (C) of any person described in clause (i) above.

For the purposes of this definition, control of a person shall mean the power, direct or indirect,

(A) to vote more than 50% of the securities having ordinary voting power for the election of directors of the person, or

(B) to direct the corporate management and corporate policies of the person whether by contract or otherwise (this does not include the Management Agreement unless it is amended expressly to provide those services).

For the purpose of this definition, the Administrator and its Affiliates are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Co-Issuers and the Co-Issuers are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Administrator, or any of their Affiliates.

**"Agent Members"**: Members of, or participants in, a Depository.

**"Aggregate Outstanding Amount"**: When used with respect to any of the Notes as of any date, the aggregate principal amount of such Notes on that date (including (i) in the case of the Class C Notes, the Class C Component and (ii) in the case of the Class D Notes, the Class D-2 Component). When used with respect to the Preference Shares as of any date, means the number of such Preference Shares Outstanding on such date (including the Preference Share Component). When used with respect to any of the Composite Securities as of any date, means the sum of the aggregate principal amount of the Notes underlying the Note Component of such Composite Securities and the aggregate Face Amount of the Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Component of such Composite Securities.

Except as otherwise provided herein:

(a) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(b) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(c) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes at any time shall include all Class C Deferred Interest attributed thereto.

(d) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes at any time shall include all Class D Deferred Interest attributed thereto.

**"Aggregate Principal Balance"**: When used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Principal Balances of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Principal Balance means the sum of the Principal Balances of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**"Aggregate Purchase Price Amount"**: When used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Purchase Price Amount means the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**"Allocable Principal Balance"**: With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not

increase over time, the portion of the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security that is allocable to each Reference Obligation comprising such index or indices based upon allocating the Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security among such Reference Obligations in the same proportion as each Reference Obligation bears to the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security.

**"Amendment Buy-Out"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.6(a).

**"Amendment Buy-Out Option"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.6(a).

**"Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price"**: The purchase price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Securities or Preference Shares purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) to the date of purchase payable to the Non-Consenting Holder (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), plus any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment, (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since the Closing Date (and any amounts payable, if any, to the Non-Consenting Holder on the next succeeding Payment Date) would cause such Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 15.0% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); provided, however, that in any Amendment Buy-Out from and after the date on which the Non-Consenting Holders of Preference Shares have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 15.0%, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price for such Preference Shares shall be zero, (iii) in the case of the Class 1 Composite Securities, the sum of (x) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (i) in respect of the Class D-2 Notes underlying the Class D-2 Component and (y) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (ii) in respect of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 1 Composite Security Preference Share Component, and (iv) in the case of the Class 2 Composite Securities, the sum of (x) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (i) in respect of the Class C Notes underlying the Class C Component and (y) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (ii) in respect of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 2 Composite Security Preference Share Component.

**"Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser"**: The Portfolio Manager (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); provided that in the event that the Portfolio Manager elects not to purchase Securities from Holders pursuant to Section 9.6, "Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Placement Agents or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Portfolio Manager; provided, however, none of the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agents or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

**"Applicable Issuers" or "Applicable Issuer"**: With respect to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes, each of the Co-Issuers. With respect to the Preference Shares and the Composite Securities, the Issuer only.

**"Applicable Note Interest Rate"**: With respect to the Notes of any Class, the Note Interest Rate with respect to such Class.

**"Applicable Percentage"**: The lesser of the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate and the S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation as specified in the tables below. High-Yield Bonds do not include Structured Finance Obligations for this purpose.

<b>Moody's Priority Category</b>	<b>Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Synthetic Securities .....	In the case of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to the Form-Approved Synthetic Security at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security by Moody's, and</li> <li>(ii) any other Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to the Synthetic Security at the time of acquisition of the Synthetic Security.</li> </ul>
Structured Finance Obligations .....	The Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the Moody's Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 5</u> by reference to the type of asset and its then Moody's Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that schedule does not apply, on a case-by-case basis in connection with the Grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
unsecured DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligations not covered above or below .....	As determined by Moody's on a case-by-case basis

For High-Yield Bonds, Moody's Senior Secured Loans and Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is the rate determined pursuant to the table below based on the number of rating subcategories difference between the High-Yield Bond's or Loan's Moody's Obligation Rating and its Moody's Default Probability Rating (for purposes of clarification, if the Moody's Obligation Rating is higher than the Moody's Default Probability Rating, the rating subcategories difference will be positive and if it is lower, negative):

<b>Number of Moody's Rating Subcategories Difference Between the Moody's Obligation Rating and the Moody's Default Probability Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>High-Yield Bonds</b>
+2 or more	60.0%	45.0%	40.0%
+1	50.0%	42.5%	35.0%
0	45.0%	40.0%	30.0%
-1	40.0%	30.0%	15.0%
-2	30.0%	15.0%	10.0%
-3 or less	20.0%	10.0%	2.0%

If no Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate has been specifically assigned with respect to a Loan pursuant to the above table, and the Loan is a secured DIP Loan, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is 50.0%.

<b>S&amp;P Priority Category</b>	<b>S&amp;P Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Senior Secured Loans other than Subordinated Lien Loans or DIP Loans	55.0%
Senior Unsecured Loans.....	37.5%
Second Lien Loans.....	37.5%
Subordinated Lien Loans other than a DIP Loan.....	21.5%
senior secured High-Yield Bonds (other than Structured Finance Obligations)....	44.0%
senior unsecured High-Yield Bonds (other than Structured Finance Obligations).....	30.0%
subordinated High-Yield Bonds (other than Structured Finance Obligations)....	18.0%
Structured Finance Obligations.....	The S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the S&P Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 6</u> by reference to the type of asset and its then S&P Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that table does not apply, on a case by case basis in connection with the Grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
Synthetic Securities.....	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis in connection with the Grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation.
DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligation not covered above.....	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis

**"Approved Credit Support Document"**: A security agreement in the form of the 1994 ISDA Credit Support Annex (ISDA Agreements Subject to New York Law Only), as modified by the Paragraph 13 thereto.

**"Approved Pricing Service"**: Loan Pricing Corporation, Mark-It-Partners, Inc. or any other nationally recognized loan pricing service approved in writing by S&P.

**"Ask-Side Market Value"**: As of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Portfolio Manager and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any lent Collateral Obligation based upon the Portfolio Manager's commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the higher of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the ask-side prices for the purchase of such Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Portfolio Manager) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Portfolio Manager); provided that if the Ask-Side Market Value of any lent Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the outstanding principal balance thereof.

**"Assigned Moody's Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.



**"Authenticating Agent"**: With respect to the Securities, the Trustee or the person designated by the Trustee to authenticate the Securities on behalf of the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.14.

**"Authorized Officer"**: With respect to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, any Officer or agent who is authorized to act for the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, in matters relating to, and binding on, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. With respect to the Portfolio Manager, any managing member, Officer, manager, employee, partner or agent of the Portfolio Manager who is authorized to act for the Portfolio Manager in matters relating to, and binding on, the Portfolio Manager with respect to the subject matter of the request, certificate, or order in question. With respect to the Trustee or any other bank or trust company acting as trustee of an express trust or as custodian, a Trust Officer. Each party may receive and accept a certification of the authority of any other party as conclusive evidence of the authority of any person to act, and the certification may be considered as in full force and effect until receipt by the other party of written notice to the contrary.

**"Average Life"**: As of any Measurement Date with respect to any Collateral Obligation (other than any Defaulted Collateral Obligation), the quotient obtained by dividing:

- (i) the sum of the products of:
  - (A) the number of years (rounded to the nearest hundredth) from the Measurement Date to the respective dates of each successive scheduled payment of principal of the Collateral Obligation, and
  - (B) the respective amounts of the successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation, by
- (ii) the sum of all successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Bank"**: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, in its individual capacity and not as Trustee.

**"Bankruptcy Code"**: The U.S. Bankruptcy Code, Title 11 of the United States Code.

**"Bankruptcy Law"**: The Bankruptcy Code, Part V of the Companies Law (2004 Revision) of the Cayman Islands and the Bankruptcy Law (1997 Revision) of the Cayman Islands.

**"Beneficial Owner"**: Any person owning an interest in a Global Security or Regulation S Global Preference Shares as reflected on the books of the Depository or on the books of an Agent Member or on the books of an indirect participant for which an Agent Member acts as agent.

**"Benefit Plan Investor"**: Any (i) "employee benefit plan" within the meaning of Section 3(3) of ERISA, whether or not subject to ERISA, and including, without limitation, foreign, church and governmental plans, (ii) any "plan" described by Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code, or an entity whose underlying assets include the assets of any plan described in (i) or (ii) by reason of such plan's investment in such entity.

**"Board Resolution"**: With respect to the Issuer, a resolution of the board of directors of the Issuer and, with respect to the Co-Issuer, a resolution of the board of directors of the Co-Issuer.

**"Business Day"**: A day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in New York City and any other city in which the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee is located and, in the case of the final payment of principal of any Note or the final payment in respect

of any Composite Security, the place of presentation of the Security designated by the Trustee; provided, however, that, for purposes of determining LIBOR, "Business Day" must also be a day on which dealings in deposits in Dollars are transacted in the London interbank market. To the extent action is required of the Irish Paying Agent, Dublin, Ireland shall be considered in determining "Business Day" for purposes of determining when actions by the Irish Paying Agent are required.

**"Buy-Out Amount"**: The meaning set forth in the Management Agreement.

**"Calculation Agent"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.16.

**"Cash"**: Such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for payment of all public and private debts.

**"Caa Collateral Obligations"**: The Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have a Moody's Rating below "B3".

**"CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations"**: The Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have (i) a Moody's Rating below "B3" and/or (ii) an S&P Rating below "B-".

**"Certificate of Authentication"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.1.

**"Certificated Composite Security"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(d).

**"Certificated Preference Shares"**: The meaning set forth in the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

**"Certificated Security (UCC)"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(4) of the UCC.

**"Class"**: All of the Securities having the same priority and the same Stated Maturity and all of the Preference Shares.

**"Class 1 Composite Security"**: The Class 1 Extendable Composite Securities issued by the Issuer pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class 1 Composite Security Preference Share Component"**: A Component of the Class 1 Composite Securities representing an initial aggregate Face Amount of Preference Shares equal to \$5,000,000. The number of Preference Shares to which the Class 1 Composite Security Preference Share Component relates is included in (and are not in addition to) the number of Preference Shares being issued by the Issuer on the Closing Date pursuant to its Memorandum and Articles of Association. Except as otherwise specified or as the context may otherwise require or dictate or unless Composite Securities are explicitly addressed in the same context, all references in this Indenture to the Preference Shares shall include the Class 1 Composite Security Preference Share Component.

**"Class 1 Composite Security Principal Balance"**: As of, (i) the Closing Date \$10,000,000 and (ii) on any date of determination thereafter, the initial Class 1 Composite Security Principal Balance reduced by an amount equal to (x) the aggregate amount of distributions paid to the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities on each Payment Date prior to such date of determination in respect of its related Components pursuant to Section 11.1(a) *minus* (y) the aggregate Class 1 Composite Security Stated Coupon Distributions paid to the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities on each Payment Date prior to such date of

determination; provided, however, that, as of any date of determination prior to the Stated Maturity Date, notwithstanding the foregoing, the "Class 1 Composite Security Principal Balance" shall be deemed to be the greater of (i) the outstanding Class 1 Composite Security Principal Balance determined as of such date of determination in accordance with the foregoing definition and (ii) \$1,000.

***"Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance"***: With respect to the rating of the Class 1 Composite Securities by Moody's, on the Closing Date \$10,000,000 and on any date of determination thereafter, the initial Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance *minus* the aggregate amount of all distributions paid to the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities in respect of its related Components on all prior Payment Dates pursuant to Section 11.1(a).

***"Class 1 Composite Security Stated Coupon"***: With respect to the Class 1 Composite Securities, 2.0 percent per annum in respect of the Outstanding Class 1 Composite Security Principal Balance; provided that the Class 1 Composite Security Stated Coupon will be deemed to be zero beginning on the Payment Date after the Class 1 Composite Security Principal Balance has been reduced to \$1,000.

***"Class 1 Composite Security Stated Coupon Distribution"***: With respect to the Class 1 Composite Securities as of any Payment Date, shall be calculated as the amount accrued at the Class 1 Composite Security Stated Coupon rate during the related Interest Period on the Outstanding Class 1 Composite Security Principal Balance as of such Payment Date (without giving effect to any payments to be made on such Payment Date); provided that the Class 1 Composite Security Stated Coupon Distribution will be deemed to be zero beginning on the Payment Date after the Class 1 Composite Security Principal Balance has been reduced to \$1,000.

***"Class 2 Composite Security"***: The Class 2 Extendable Composite Securities issued by the Issuer pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

***"Class 2 Composite Security Preference Share Component"***: A Component of the Class 2 Composite Securities representing an initial aggregate Face Amount of Preference Shares equal to \$1,000,000. The number of Preference Shares to which the Class 2 Composite Security Preference Share Component relates is included in (and is not in addition to) the number of Preference Shares being issued by the Issuer on the Closing Date pursuant to its Memorandum and Articles of Association. Except as otherwise specified or as the context may otherwise require or dictate or unless Composite Securities are explicitly addressed in the same context, all references in this Indenture to the Preference Shares shall include the Class 2 Composite Security Preference Share Component.

***"Class 2 Composite Security Rated Balance"***: With respect to the rating of the Class 2 Composite Securities by Moody's, (i) on the Closing Date \$5,000,000 and (ii) on any date of determination thereafter, the initial Class 2 Composite Security Rated Balance reduced by an amount equal to (x) the aggregate amount of distributions paid to the Holders of the Class 2 Composite Securities on each Payment Date prior to such date of determination in respect of its related Components pursuant to Section 11.1(a) *minus* (y) the aggregate Class 2 Composite Security Rated Coupon Distributions paid to the Holders of the Class 2 Composite Securities on each Payment Date prior to such date of determination; provided that if the amount of distributions paid to the Holders of the Class 2 Composite Securities on any Payment Date is less than the Class 2 Composite Security Rated Coupon Distribution for such Payment Date, then the Class 2 Composite Security Rated Balance shall be increased by such deficiency.

**"Class 2 Composite Security Rated Coupon":** With respect to the Class 2 Composite Securities, 0.25 percent per annum in respect of the Outstanding Principal Balance of such Class 2 Composite Securities.

**"Class 2 Composite Security Rated Coupon Distribution":** With respect to the Class 2 Composite Securities as of any Payment Date, shall be calculated as the amount accrued at the Class 2 Composite Security Rated Coupon Distribution during the related Interest Period on the Outstanding Class 2 Composite Security Rated Balance as of such Payment Date (without giving effect to any payments to be made on such Payment Date).

**"Class A Notes":** The Class A Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class A/B Coverage Tests":** The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes.

**"Class B Notes":** The Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class C Component":** The component of the Class 2 Composite Security having an aggregate initial principal amount of \$4,000,000 and representing an equivalent initial principal amount of Class C Notes. The initial principal amount of the Class C Notes to which the Class C Component relates is included in (and is not in addition to) the initial principal amount of Class C Notes being offered on the Closing Date and described in Section 2.3. Except as otherwise specified or as the context may otherwise require or dictate or unless Composite Securities are explicitly addressed in the same context, all references in this Indenture to the Class C Notes shall include the Class C Component.

**"Class C Coverage Tests":** The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class C Notes.

**"Class C Deferred Interest":** Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C Notes.

**"Class C Notes":** The Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class D-2 Component":** The component of the Class 1 Composite Security having an aggregate initial principal amount of \$5,000,000 and representing an equivalent initial principal amount of Class D-2 Notes. The initial principal amount of the Class D-2 Notes to which the Class D-2 Component relates is included in (and is not in addition to) the initial principal amount of Class D-2 Notes being offered on the Closing Date and described in Section 2.3. Except as otherwise specified or as the context may otherwise require or dictate or unless Composite Securities are explicitly addressed in the same context, all references in this Indenture to the Class D-2 Notes shall include the Class D-2 Component.

**"Class D Coverage Tests":** The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class D Notes.

**"Class D Deferred Interest":** Deferred Interest with respect to the Class D Notes.

**"Class D Notes":** The Class D-1 Notes and the Class D-2 Notes.

**"Class D-1 Notes"**: The Class D-1 Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class D-2 Notes"**: The Class D-2 Fixed Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class Scenario Loss Rate"**: With respect to any Class of Notes rated by S&P, an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, consistent with S&P's rating of the Class of Notes on the Closing Date, determined by application of the S&P CDO Monitor.

**"Clearing Agency"**: An organization registered as a "clearing agency" pursuant to Section 17A of the Exchange Act.

**"Clearing Corporation"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(5) of the UCC.

**"Clearing Corporation Security"**: A "security" (as defined in Section 8-102(a)(15) of the UCC) that (i) is a debt or equity security and (ii) is in the custody of or maintained on the books of a Clearing Corporation or its nominee.

**"Clearstream"**: Clearstream Banking, société anonyme, a corporation organized under the laws of the Duchy of Luxembourg.

**"Closing Date"**: June 29, 2005.

**"Closing Date Expense Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(g).

**"Co-Issuer"**: The person named as such on the first page of this Indenture.

**"Co-Issuers"**: The Issuer and the Co-Issuer.

**"Code"**: The United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

**"Collateral"**: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Collateral Acquisition Agreement"**: The agreement dated as of the Closing Date between the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Collateral Administration Agreement"**: The agreement dated as of the Closing Date among the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, and the Collateral Administrator, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Collateral Administrator"**: The Bank in its capacity as collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement.

**"Collateral Assignment of Hedge Agreements"**: With respect to each Hedge Agreement, the assignment of all of the Issuer's interest in the Hedge Agreement to the Trustee and acknowledged by the Hedge Counterparty to create a security interest therein in favor of the Trustee.

**"Collateral Obligation":** Any obligation or security that, when the Issuer commits to purchase (or otherwise acquire) the obligation or security, is a Loan, High-Yield Bond, Structured Finance Obligation, or Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that is a Loan, a Structured Finance Obligation, or High-Yield Bond that is:

- (1) denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars and is not convertible by its obligor into any other currency;
- (2) an obligation of an obligor Domiciled in an Eligible Country;
- (3) an obligation that is eligible by its terms to be assigned to the Issuer and pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral;
- (4) not an exchangeable or convertible security that is exchangeable or convertible at the option of its issuer;
- (5) not an equity security or a component of an equity security or a security that has a component that is an equity security (other than for avoidance of doubt, a pass-through trust certificate in a trust holding Collateral Obligations);
- (6) not an obligation or security that has been called for redemption and is not an obligation or security that is the subject of an Offer other than a Permitted Offer or an exchange offer in which a security that is not registered under the Securities Act is exchanged for (i) a security that has substantially identical terms (except for transfer restrictions) but is registered under the Securities Act or (ii) a security that would otherwise qualify for purchase under Article 12;
- (7) an obligation that (a) has a Moody's Rating (including any estimated or confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored) and (b) has an S&P Rating (including any confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored), which S&P Rating does not have a "p", "pi", "q", "r" or "t" subscript unless S&P otherwise authorizes in writing;
- (8) an obligation that is a Finance Lease (if it is a lease) and the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;
- (9) an obligation that is not a Current-Pay Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation and in the case of a Collateral Obligation that has a Moody's Rating of "Caa1" or lower or an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower, an obligation for which the Portfolio Manager has certified in writing that such Collateral Obligation is not a Credit Risk Obligation;
- (10) an obligation that (unless it is a High-Yield Bond) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness for borrowed money of the applicable issuer; provided that for the avoidance of doubt, this clause shall not prohibit the inclusion as Collateral Obligations of Subordinated Lien Loans;
- (11) an obligation that (i) (unless it is a PIK Security) bears simple interest payable in cash no less frequently than annually at a fixed or floating rate that is paid on a periodic basis on an unleveraged basis and, in the case of a floating rate, computed on a benchmark interest rate plus or minus a spread, if any (which may vary under the terms of the obligation) and (ii) provides for a fixed amount of principal payable in cash according to

a fixed schedule (which may include optional call dates) or at maturity (or a fixed notional amount in the case of Synthetic Securities);

(12) an obligation the payment or repayment of the principal, if any, of which is not an amount determined by reference to any formula or index or subject to any contingency under the terms thereof;

(13) an obligation the portion of which to be acquired (including through a Synthetic Security with respect to the Reference Obligation) does not represent, directly or indirectly, more than a 25% interest in the obligation;

(14) not an obligation with a maturity later than one year after the Stated Maturity of the Notes;

(15) an obligation upon which no payments are subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the obligor thereof or counterparty with respect thereto is required to make "gross-up" payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax on an after-tax basis (other than withholding taxes with respect to commitment fees associated with Collateral Obligations constituting Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans);

(16) not a Loan or Synthetic Security that would require the Issuer after its purchase of the Loan or Synthetic Security to advance any funds to the related borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty or permit the borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty to require that any future advances be made except for:

(A) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the Issuer deposits into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, respectively, the maximum amount of any advances that may be required of the Issuer under the related Underlying Instrument (as provided in Section 10.3(b)), and

(B) any Synthetic Security if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Synthetic Security, the Issuer posts cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) the Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of any future advances;

(17) if such obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation, such obligation:

(A) has been assigned a rating by both Moody's and S&P;

(B) has a Moody's Rating of "Ba3" or higher and an S&P Rating of "BB-" or higher; and

(C) has not been placed on the watch list for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P;

(18) not a Loan that is an obligation of a debtor in possession or a trustee for a debtor in an insolvency proceeding other than a DIP Loan;

(19) with respect to an obligation that provides for the payment of interest at a floating rate, an obligation for which such floating rate is determined by reference to the U.S. Dollar prime rate or other base rate, London interbank offered rate or similar interbank offered rate, commercial deposit rate or any other index that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto;

(20) in the case of a Synthetic Security, a Synthetic Security for which the counterparty or issuer, as the case may be, has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3", and if rated "A3" by Moody's, such rating is not on watch for downgrade, and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A+";

(21) not an obligation that constitutes Margin Stock;

(22) not a Zero-Coupon Security;

(23) not an obligation that is currently deferring interest or paying interest "in kind" or otherwise has an interest "in kind" balance outstanding at the time of purchase, which interest is otherwise payable in cash, unless the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;

(24) not a security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined by the Portfolio Manager;

(25) not an obligation the interest payments of which are scheduled to decrease (although interest payments may decrease due to unscheduled events such as a decrease if the index relating to a Floating Rate Obligation, the change from a default rate of interest to a non-default rate of interest or an improvement in the obligor's financial condition);

(26) not an obligation that will cause the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the pool of assets to be required to be registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act;

(27) in the case of a Loan, an obligation that is part of, or a Participation in, a syndicated loan facility that provides for a commitment by the lenders, in the aggregate, of no less than \$50,000,000; and

(28) in the case of a Structured Finance Obligation, not a Structured Finance Obligation managed by the Portfolio Manager or one or more of its Affiliates.

Pursuant to the definition of "Synthetic Security," unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event".

**"Collateral Quality Tests":** The Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Life Test, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test, and the S&P CDO Monitor Test.

**"Collection Account":** The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.2(a).



**"Commitment Amount"**: With respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the maximum aggregate outstanding principal amount (whether then funded or unfunded) of advances or other extensions of credit that the Issuer could be required to make to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments.

**"Commitment Reduction"**: With respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, a permanent reduction (whether scheduled, mandatory, optional, or otherwise) in the related Commitment Amount.

**"Component"**: The Class C Component, the Class D-2 Component or the Preference Share Component, as the context requires.

**"Composite Securities"**: The Class 1 Composite Securities and the Class 2 Composite Securities issued by the Issuer pursuant to this Indenture and the Preference Share Documents and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Composite Securityholder"**: A Holder of Composite Securities.

**"Concentration Limitations"**: The limit set forth below with respect to a particular type of Investment Obligation (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) as a percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount:

	Percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount
(1) Senior Secured Loans (including Moody's Senior Secured Loans) and Eligible Investments	$\geq 92.5\%$
(2) unsecured Loans	$\leq 3.0\%$
(3) Subordinated Lien Loans and Second Lien Loans	$\leq 5.0\%$
(4) Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans	$\leq 15.0\%$
(5) DIP Loans	$\leq 5.0\%$
(a) except that with a Rating Confirmation, DIP Loans may constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 7.5\%$
(6) S&P Unrated DIP Loans	$\leq 2.5\%$
(7) PIK Securities	$\leq 3.0\%$
(8) High-Yield Bonds	$\leq 7.5\%$
(9) Structured Finance Obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(10) Structured Finance Obligations that are collateralized loan obligations	$\leq 2.5\%$
(11) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States and Canada	$\leq 15.0\%$
(12) obligors Domiciled in Canada or any single Moody's Group I Country	$\leq 10.0\%$
(13) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group II Country	$\leq 5.0\%$
(14) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group III Country	$\leq 2.5\%$
(15) obligors organized in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction	$\leq 5.0\%$
(16) same S&P Industry Classification	$\leq 8.0\%$
(a) except that Investment Obligations belonging to two S&P Industry Classifications (not including Telecommunications) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 12.0\%$
(17) single issuer or any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties)	$\leq 1.5\%$
(a) except that up to each of five individual issuers (including any of their respective Affiliates but excluding issuers that the Portfolio Manager reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 2.0\%$
(18) Fixed Rate Obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(19) Pay interest less frequently than quarterly but no less frequently than annually	$\leq 7.5\%$
(20) Synthetic Securities	$\leq 20.0\%$

(a)	except that Synthetic Securities that provide for settlement other than by physical delivery may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$
(b)	except that Synthetic Securities that reference a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$
(21)	Participations ( <u>provided</u> , that no Investment Obligations may be a Participation in a Participation)	$\leq 20.0\%$
(22)	Investment Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, in the aggregate may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 20.0\%$
(23)	Investment Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, a single Secondary Risk Counterparty	$\leq$ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Individual Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating*
(24)	Investment Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, all Secondary Risk Counterparties	$\leq$ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Aggregate Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating**
(25)	Deep Discount Obligations	$\leq 5.0\%$
(26)	CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(27)	Long-Dated Collateral Obligations	$\leq 4.0\%$
(28)	Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements	$\leq 15.0\%$
(29)	Collateral Obligations providing for interest at a non-London interbank offered rate	$\leq 5.0\%$
(30)	Collateral Obligations that are Loans that are part of a credit facility with a total global aggregate commitment amount of less than \$75,000,000	$\leq 10.0\%$

\* Applicable long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P of such Secondary Risk Counterparty (using the limit for the lower of such ratings if different).

\*\* Long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P at or below a level specified in the Secondary Risk Table (using the lower of such ratings for a Secondary Risk Counterparty, if different).

Subject to the rights in circumstances of the Portfolio Manager to determine otherwise as set out in Section 1.2(h), solely for the purpose of determining whether the Concentration Limitations are met, Eligible Investments and Cash will be treated as Senior Secured Loans and Floating Rate Obligations.

**"Controlling Class":** The Class A Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class A Notes are Outstanding; then the Class B Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class B Notes are Outstanding; then the Class C Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class C Notes are Outstanding; and then the Class D Notes (voting together as a Class or group).

**"Corporate Trust Office":** The corporate trust office of the Trustee at which the Trustee performs its duties under this Indenture, currently having an address of 600 Travis Street, 50<sup>th</sup> Floor, Houston, Texas 77002, telecopy no. (713) 216-2101, Attention: Worldwide Securities Services—Jasper CLO Ltd. or any other address the Trustee designates from time to time by notice to the Noteholders, the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Issuer, and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Trustee.

**"Coverage Tests":** Collectively, the Class A/B Coverage Tests, the Class C Coverage Tests and the Class D Coverage Tests applicable as of any Measurement Date.

**"Credit Improved Obligation":** Any Collateral Obligation that in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, has improved in credit quality; provided, if a Credit Rating Event is in effect, such Collateral Obligation will be considered a Credit Improved Obligation only if in addition to the above:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been upgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing positive credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under this Indenture,

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced a reduction in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Portfolio Manager (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's),

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has increased by at least 1.00% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Portfolio Manager (provided that this subclause (iii)(x) will be deemed satisfied if Market Value increases to 101), or (y) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more positive than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, plus 3.00%, over the same period, or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Improved Obligation if:

- (i) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Improved Obligation or
- (ii) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Improved Obligation.

**"Credit Rating Event"**: An event that is in effect if the rating by Moody's:

- (i) of the Class A Notes has been withdrawn or is one or more rating sub-categories below its Initial Rating; or
- (ii) of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes has been withdrawn or is two or more rating sub-categories below its respective Initial Rating.

For the purposes of this definition, any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not be effective if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody's has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Class A Notes, or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**"Credit Risk Obligation"**: Any Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, has a significant risk of declining in credit quality and, with a lapse of time, becoming a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

So long as a Credit Rating Event is in effect, no Collateral Obligation shall be eligible to be a Credit Risk Obligation unless in addition to the above, as of the date of determination:

- (i) the Collateral Obligation has been downgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing negative credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under this Indenture,
- (ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced an increase in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Portfolio Manager (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's),
- (iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has decreased by at least 2.50% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Portfolio Manager, and (y) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more negative, or less positive, as the case may be, than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, less 3.00%, over the same period, or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Risk Obligation if:

- (a) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Risk Obligation, or
- (b) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Risk Obligation.

**"Current-Pay Obligation"**: A Collateral Obligation as to which:

- (i) an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to its obligor or as to which its obligor is rated "D" or "SD" by S&P or its obligor has previously been rated "CCC-" by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn,
- (ii) no default as to the payment of principal or interest with respect to the Collateral Obligation is then continuing and the Portfolio Manager has delivered to the Trustee an officer's certificate to the effect that the Portfolio Manager expects that the obligor will make payments on the Collateral Obligation as they become due,
- (iii) (A) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is at least "Caa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 80% of its Principal Balance or (B) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is less than "Caa1" or is "Caa1" and on credit watch with negative implications, the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 85% of its Principal Balance,
- (iv) if an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to the obligor of the Collateral Obligation, a bankruptcy court has authorized the payment of interest payable on the Collateral Obligation, and
- (v) the Portfolio Manager has designated in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligation as a Current-Pay Obligation.

If the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations exceeds 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, all or a portion of one or more Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance equal to the amount of the excess shall not be Current-Pay Obligations (and will therefore be Defaulted Collateral Obligations). The Portfolio Manager shall designate in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligations that shall not be Current-Pay Obligations pursuant to the preceding sentence as the Collateral Obligations (or portions thereof) that have the lowest Market Value on any applicable date of determination.

The Portfolio Manager may, by notice to the Issuer, the Trustee, and the Collateral Administrator, change the definition of "Current-Pay Obligation" or how Current-Pay Obligations are treated in this Indenture, subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency.

**"Current Portfolio"**: At any time, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations, Principal Proceeds held as Cash on deposit in the Collection Account, and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account that exists before the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or before the acquisition of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**"Custodial Account"**: The custodial account established in the name of the Trustee pursuant to Section 10.3(a).

**"Custodian"**: The meaning specified in the first sentence of Section 3.2(a) with respect to items of collateral referred to therein, and each entity with which an Account is maintained, as the context may require, each of which shall be a Securities Intermediary.

**"Deep Discount Obligation"**: Until the average Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation, as determined daily for any period of 30 consecutive days, equals or exceeds 90%, any Collateral Obligation acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 85% of its Principal Balance. For such purpose, the Market Value Percentage of a Collateral Obligation on a day that is not a Business Day shall be deemed to be the Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation on the immediately preceding Business Day.

**"Default"**: Any Event of Default or any occurrence that, with notice or the lapse of time or both, would become an Event of Default.

**"Defaulted Collateral Obligation"**: Any Collateral Obligation or other obligation included in the Collateral:

(i) as to which there has occurred and is continuing a default with respect to the payment of interest or principal with respect to such Collateral Obligation, without giving effect to any applicable grace period or waiver (provided, that if the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee in writing that such default is for non-credit related reasons, the related Collateral Obligation shall not be treated as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under this clause (i) unless and until such default has continued for a period of three (3) consecutive business days), but, in any case, only until such default has been cured;

(ii) the maturity of all or a portion of the principal amount of such Collateral Obligation has been accelerated as a consequence of a default (other than any payment default) under the instruments evidencing or relating to such Collateral Obligation; unless such default or event of default has been fully cured or waived and is no longer continuing and such acceleration has been rescinded;

(iii) with respect to which there has been effected any distressed exchange or other debt restructuring where the obligor has offered the holders thereof a new security or instrument or package of securities or instruments that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, either (x) amounts to a diminished financial obligation or (y) has the sole purpose of enabling the obligor to avoid a default;

(iv) (1) that is *pari passu* with or subordinated to other indebtedness for borrowed money owing by its obligor ("**Other Indebtedness**"), (2) the obligor has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (without regard to any applicable grace or notice period and without regard to any waiver of the default) on the Other Indebtedness, unless, in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid on the Other Indebtedness and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which

case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation and (3) the Portfolio Manager, provided that the related Collateral Obligation has not been downgraded after the default on such Other Indebtedness has occurred, determines (in its commercially reasonable judgment) that such Other Indebtedness is material;

(v) (other than a Current-Pay Obligation or a DIP Loan) as to which:

(A) an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to its obligor, or

(B) the obligation is rated "D", "SD", "C" or "CC" by S&P or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn, or has previously been rated "CCC-" or lower by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;

(vi) if the Collateral Obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation, it is rated "CC" or below by S&P, or it was rated "CC" or below by S&P but the rating has since been withdrawn, or it is rated "Ca" or below by Moody's, or it was rated "C" or below by Moody's but the rating has since been withdrawn;

(vii) that is a Participation that would, if the underlying Loan were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (v) above or with respect to which the Participating Institution has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Participation;

(viii) that is a Synthetic Security referencing a Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above or with respect to which the Synthetic Security Counterparty has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Synthetic Security; provided, however, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time: (x) a determination whether the Reference Obligations upon which such Synthetic Security is based would, if such Reference Obligations were Collateral Obligations, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct investment by the Issuer in each of the Reference Obligations on which such Synthetic Security is based in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation and (y) the "Defaulted Collateral Obligation" for purposes of this clause (viii) shall be limited to the Allocable Principal Balance of each Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above;

(ix) that is a Written-Down Obligation;

(x) that is a DIP Loan as to which an order has been entered converting the debtor's chapter 11 case to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code; or

(xi) that is declared to be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation by the Portfolio Manager.

Any Collateral Obligation that is classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall cease to be so classified if the Collateral Obligation, at any date thereafter,



(1) would not otherwise be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this definition; and

(2) otherwise meets the Eligibility Criteria as of that date.

If any portion of a Collateral Obligation has a maturity later than one year after the Stated Maturity of the Notes due to a change in the payment schedule of the Collateral Obligation occurring after its acquisition by the Issuer, that portion of the Collateral Obligation shall be considered a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**"Defaulted Hedge Termination Payment"**: Any termination payment required to be made by the Issuer to a Hedge Counterparty pursuant to a Hedge Agreement upon a termination of the Hedge Agreement in respect of which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**"Defaulted Interest"**: Any interest payable in respect of any Class of Notes that is not punctually paid or duly provided for on the applicable Payment Date or at Stated Maturity.

**"Defaulted Interest Charge"**: To the extent lawful, interest on any Defaulted Interest at the Default Interest Rate.

**"Default Interest Rate"**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate equal to the Note Interest Rate payable on the Notes of the Class.

**"Deferred Interest"**: With respect to any specified Class of Deferred Interest Notes, the meaning specified in Section 2.8(a).

**"Deferred Interest Notes"**: The Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

**"Deficiency Amount"**: The meaning specified in Section 16.3(a).

**"Deficiency Notice Date"**: The meaning specified in Section 16.3(a).

**"Definitive Securities"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.11(b).

**"Delayed Drawdown Loan"**: A Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that

(i) requires the Issuer to make one or more future advances to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments,

(ii) specifies a maximum amount that can be borrowed on one or more fixed borrowing dates, and

(iii) does not permit the re-borrowing of any amount previously repaid.

A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Delayed Drawdown Loan for so long as its unused commitment amount is greater than zero.

**"Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(b).

**"Deliver" or "Delivered" or "Delivery":** The taking of the following steps:

(i) in the case of each Certificated Security (UCC) (other than a Clearing Corporation Security) or Instrument,

(A) causing the delivery of such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument to the Custodian registered in the name of the Custodian or endorsed, by an effective endorsement, to the Custodian or in blank,

(B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument is credited to the applicable Account, and

(C) causing the Custodian to maintain continuous possession of such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument;

(ii) in the case of each Uncertificated Security (other than a Clearing Corporation Security),

(A) causing such Uncertificated Security to be continuously registered on the books of the issuer thereof to the Custodian, and

(B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Uncertificated Security is credited to the applicable Account;

(iii) in the case of each Clearing Corporation Security,

(A) causing the relevant Clearing Corporation to credit such Clearing Corporation Security to the securities account of the Custodian, and

(B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate by on its books and records that such Clearing Corporation Security is credited to the applicable Account;

(iv) in the case of each security issued or guaranteed by the United States of America or agency or instrumentality thereof and that is maintained in book-entry records of a Federal Reserve Bank ("**FRB**") (each such security, a "**Government Security**"),

(A) causing the creation of a Security Entitlement to such Government Security by the credit of such Government Security to the securities account of the Custodian at such FRB, and

(B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Government Security is credited to the applicable Account;

(v) in the case of each Security Entitlement not governed by clauses (i) through (iv) above,

(A) causing a Securities Intermediary (x) to indicate on its books and records that the underlying Financial Asset has been credited to be the Custodian's securities account, (y) to receive a Financial Asset from a Securities Intermediary or acquiring the underlying Financial Asset for a Securities Intermediary, and in either case, accepting it for credit to the Custodian's securities account or (z) to

become obligated under other law, regulation or rule to credit the underlying Financial Asset to a Security Intermediary's securities account,

(B) causing such Securities Intermediary to make entries on its books and records continuously identifying such Security Entitlement as belonging to the Custodian and continuously indicating on its books and records that such Security Entitlement is credited to the Custodian's securities account, and

(C) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Security Entitlement (or all rights and property of the Custodian representing such Security Entitlement) is credited to the applicable Account;

(vi) in the case of cash or money,

(A) causing the delivery of such cash or money to the Custodian,

(B) causing the Custodian to treat such cash or money as a Financial Asset maintained by such Custodian for credit to the applicable Account in accordance with the provisions of Article 8 of the UCC, and

(C) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such cash or money is credited to the applicable Account; and

(vii) in the case of each general intangible (including any Participation in which the Participation is not represented by an Instrument),

(A) causing the filing of a Financing Statement in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of the District of Columbia, Washington, DC, and

(B) causing the registration of this Indenture in the Register of Mortgages of the Issuer at the Issuer's registered office in the Cayman Islands;

in addition, the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer will obtain any and all consents required by the underlying agreements relating to any such general intangibles for the transfer of ownership and/or pledge hereunder (except to the extent that the requirement for such consent is rendered ineffective under Section 9-406 of the UCC).

In addition to the methods specified above, any Collateral may be delivered in accordance with any other method specified in an Opinion of Counsel delivered to the Trustee as sufficient to establish a first priority perfected security interest therein.

**"Depository" or "DTC":** The Depository Trust Company and its nominees.

**"Determination Date":** The last day of any Due Period.

**"DIP Loan":** Any Loan

(i) that has a rating assigned by Moody's (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by Moody's, the Portfolio Manager has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by Moody's within five Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer) and a rating assigned by S&P (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by S&P, the Portfolio Manager has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P within two Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer),

(ii) that is an obligation of a debtor in possession as described in Section 1107 of the Bankruptcy Code or a trustee (if appointment of a trustee has been ordered pursuant to Section 1104 of the Bankruptcy Code) (a "**Debtor**") organized under the laws of the United States or any state of the United States, and

(iii) the terms of which have been approved by a final order of the United States Bankruptcy Court, United States District Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, the enforceability of which order is not subject to any pending contested matter or proceeding (as those terms are defined in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure) and which order provides that

(A) the Loan is secured by liens on the Debtor's otherwise unencumbered assets pursuant to Section 364(c)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code,

(B) the Loan is secured by liens of equal or senior priority on property of the Debtor's estate that is otherwise subject to a lien pursuant to Section 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code,

(C) the Loan is fully secured (based on a current valuation or appraisal report) by junior liens on the Debtor's encumbered assets, or

(D) if any portion of the Loan is unsecured, the repayment of the Loan retains priority over all other administrative expenses pursuant to Section 364(c)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code (and in the case of this clause (D), before the acquisition of the Loan, the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency).

**"Discount Note":** Any Note that is treated as being issued with "original issue discount" within the meaning of Section 1271 through 1275 of the Code and Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.

**"Diversity Score":** A single number that indicates collateral concentration in terms of both issuer and industry concentration, calculated as set forth in Schedule 4 to this Indenture.

**"Diversity Test":** A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Diversity Score equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score.

**"Dollar" or "U.S. Dollar" or "U.S.\$":** A dollar or other equivalent unit in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for all debts, public and private.

**"Domicile" or "Domiciled":** With respect to each Collateral Obligation, (i) the jurisdiction of incorporation, organization or creation of the related obligor or (ii) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that would otherwise be considered to be domiciled pursuant to clause (i) in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction, the jurisdiction in which, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the

Portfolio Manager, the related obligor conducts substantially all of its business operations and in which the assets primarily responsible for generating its revenues are located.

**"Due Date"**: Each date on which any payment is due on a Pledged Obligation in accordance with its terms.

**"Due Period"**: With respect to any Payment Date, for all purposes other than payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements, the period from the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date, from the Closing Date) up to but excluding the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the Payment Date (or in the case of the final Payment Date or any Payment Date that is a Redemption Date, through the Business Day before the Payment Date and for payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements the period from the day after the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date from the Closing Date) through the Payment Date).

**"Eligibility Criteria"**: The meaning specified in Section 12.2(b).

**"Eligible Collateral"**: Means: (i) Cash, (ii) U.S. Treasury obligations, (iii) U.S. agency obligations or (iv) commercial paper obligations rated at least "P-1" by Moody's (and not on watch for downgrade) and "A-1+" by S&P, in each case to collateralize fully on a mark-to-market basis the obligations of a Hedge Counterparty under the related Hedge Agreement.

**"Eligible Country"**: The United States, Canada and any country classified by Moody's as a Moody's Group I Country, Moody's Group II Country or Moody's Group III Country; provided that such country has not imposed currency exchange controls.

**"Eligible Investments"**: Any Dollar-denominated investment that, when it is pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee under this Indenture, is one or more of the following:

- (a) Cash;
- (b) direct Registered obligations of, and Registered obligations the timely payment of principal and interest on which is fully and expressly guaranteed by, the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States the obligations of which are expressly backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, which in each case are not zero coupon securities;
- (c) demand and time deposits in, trust accounts, certificates of deposit payable within 91 days of issuance of, bankers' acceptances payable within 91 days of issuance issued by, or Federal funds sold by any depository institution or trust company incorporated under the laws of the United States or any state thereof and subject to supervision and examination by Federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or the debt obligations of such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company), at the time of such investment or contractual commitment providing for such investment and throughout the term of the investment, have a credit rating of not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade, or "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P in the case of commercial paper and short-term debt obligations; provided that in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such investment a long-term credit rating of not less than "AA-" by S&P and "Aa3" by Moody's and a short-term rating of "A-1+" by S&P and "P-1" by Moody's, and if so rated, is not on watch for downgrade;

(d) commercial paper or other short-term obligations with a maturity of not more than 183 days from the date of issuance and having at the time of such investment a credit rating of at least "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P; provided, that, in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such investment a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade.

(e) unleveraged repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clause (b) above entered into with a U.S. federal or state depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (c) above or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose long-term credit rating is not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade or whose short-term credit rating is "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P at the time of such investment and throughout the term of the investment; provided, that, if such repurchase obligation has a maturity of longer than 91 days, the counterparty thereto must also have at the time of such investment and throughout the term of the investment a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(f) any money market fund or similar investment vehicle having at the time of investment therein and throughout the term of the investment a credit rating of "MR1+" by Moody's and "AAAm" by S&P; including any fund for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee serves as an investment advisor, administrator, shareholder servicing agent, custodian or subcustodian, notwithstanding that (A) the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses from such funds for services rendered (provided that such charges, fees and expenses are on terms consistent with terms negotiated at arm's length) and (B) the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses for services rendered, pursuant to this Indenture;

(g) a guaranteed reinvestment agreement from a bank (if treated as a deposit by such bank), insurance company or other corporation or entity organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (if treated as debt by such insurance company or other corporation or entity), providing for periodic payments thereunder during each Due Period; provided that each such agreement provides that it is terminable by the purchaser, without premium or penalty, in the event that the rating assigned to such agreement by either Moody's or S&P is at any time lower than the then current ratings assigned to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes; provided, further, that, at the time of investment therein and throughout the term of the investment, the issuer of such agreement has a senior unsecured long-term debt rating, issuer rating or counterparty rating of at least "Aaa" by Moody's, a short-term debt rating of "P-1" by Moody's (and not on watch for downgrade), a short-term debt rating of at least "A-1+" by S&P and a long-term debt rating of at least "AAA" by S&P (and not on watch for downgrade); and

(h) such other investments for which Rating Confirmation has been received;

and, in each case, with a stated maturity (giving effect to any applicable grace period) no later than the Business Day before the Payment Date next succeeding the date of the investment.

Eligible Investments on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account must have a stated maturity no later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase.

Eligible Investments may not include:

(1) any interest-only security, any security purchased at a price in excess of 100% of its par value, or any security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager;

(2) any security whose rating assigned by S&P includes the subscript "r," "t," "p," "pi," or "q";

(3) any floating rate security whose interest rate is inversely or otherwise not proportionately related to an interest rate index or is calculated as other than the sum of an interest rate index plus a spread (which spread may be zero);

(4) any security that is subject to an exchange or tender offer; or

(5) any security that has payments subject to foreign or United States withholding tax.

Eligible Investments may include Eligible Investments for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee provides services. Eligible Investments may not include obligations principally secured by real property.

**"Emerging Market Security"**: A security or obligation issued by a sovereign or non-sovereign issuer located in a country (excluding the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Netherlands Antilles, and the Channel Islands):

(i) that is in Latin America, Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, or the Caribbean, or

(ii) the long-term foreign currency debt obligations of which are rated below "Aa2" or "Aa2" and on credit watch with negative implications by Moody's or the foreign currency issuer credit rating of which is below "AA" by S&P.

**"ERISA"**: The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended.

**"Euroclear"**: Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear system.

**"Event of Default"**: The meaning specified in Section 5.1.

**"Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations"**: The Principal Balance of all CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations in excess of 7.5% of the Maximum Investment Amount on the relevant Determination Date.

**"Exchange Act"**: The United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

**"Excluded Property"**: U.S.\$250 (attributable to the issue and allotment of the Issuer Ordinary Shares) and a U.S.\$250 transaction fee paid to the Issuer, the bank account in which those amounts are credited in the Cayman Islands and any interest earned on those amounts.

**"Expense Reimbursement Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(c).

**"Extended Reinvestment Period End Date"**: If an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Reinvestment Period End Date (or, in the case of the

first Extension pursuant to Section 2.4, the Payment Date in August, 2016); provided that the "Extended Reinvestment Period End Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in August, 2028.

**"Extended Stated Maturity Date"**: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Stated Maturity Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Payment Date in August, 2021); provided that the "Extended Stated Maturity Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in August, 2033.

**"Extended Weighted Average Life Date"**: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Weighted Average Life Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Weighted Average Life Date, August 1, 2018); provided that the "Extended Weighted Average Life Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in August 1, 2030.

**"Extension"**: An extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test pursuant to Section 2.4.

**"Extension Bonus Payment"**: With respect to each Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable beneficial owner set forth in Section 2.4(g), in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Class A Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class B Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (3) in the case of the Class C Notes (including the Class C Component), 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date and (4) in the case of the Class D Notes (including the Class D-2 Component), 0.50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

**"Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification"**: With respect to each Maturity Extension and each beneficial owner of Notes and Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components of the Composite Securities) other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such beneficial owner acceptable to the Issuer to the effect that it held Notes and Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components of the Composite Securities) other than Extension Sale Securities on the applicable Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof in the case of the Notes or the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the applicable Note Component in the case of the Composite Securities and wire transfer instructions for the Extension Bonus Payment and any required documentation thereunder.

**"Extension Conditions"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Determination Date"**: The 8<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to each Extension Effective Date.

**"Extension Effective Date"**: If an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extension Effective Date (or, in the case of the first Extension Effective Date, the Payment Date in May, 2010).

**"Extension Notice"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Purchase Price"**: The purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with each Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus



accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the applicable Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since the Closing Date would cause such Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 15.0% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); provided, however, that if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 15.0%, the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Preference Shares shall be zero, (iii) in the case of the Class 1 Composite Securities, the sum of (x) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (i) in respect of the Class D-2 Notes underlying the Class D-2 Component and (y) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (ii) in respect of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 1 Composite Security Preference Share Component and (iv) in the case of the Class 2 Composite Securities, the sum of (x) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (i) in respect of the Class C Notes underlying the Class C Component and (y) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (ii) in respect of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 2 Composite Security Preference Share Component.

**"Extension Qualifying Purchasers"**: The Portfolio Manager (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); provided that in the event the Portfolio Manager elects not to purchase Securities or Preference Shares from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.4(c), "Extension Qualifying Purchasers" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Placement Agents or any of their Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Portfolio Manager; provided, however, none of the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agents, or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

**"Extension Sale Notice"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Sale Notice Period"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Sale Securities"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Face Amount"**: With respect to any Preference Share, the amount set forth therein as the "face amount" thereof, which "face amount" shall be \$1,000 per Preference Share.

**"Finance Lease"**: A lease agreement or other agreement entered into in connection with and evidencing a Leasing Finance Transaction.

**"Financial Asset"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(9) of the UCC.

**"Financing Statements"**: Financing statements relating to the Collateral naming the Issuer as debtor and the Trustee on behalf of the Secured Parties as secured party.

**"Fixed Rate Excess"**: As of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose numerator is the product of:

- (i) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date over the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, and
- (ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date,

and whose denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Fixed Rate Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Spread Excess were equal to zero.

**"Fixed Rate Notes":** The Class D-2 Notes.

**"Fixed Rate Obligation":** Any Collateral Obligation that bears interest at a fixed rate, including a Collateral Obligation that does not bear interest on a floating rate index and whose interest rate is scheduled to increase one or more times over the life of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Floating Rate Notes":** The Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D-1 Notes.

**"Floating Rate Obligation":** Any Collateral Obligation that bears interest based on a floating rate index.

**"Form-Approved Synthetic Security":** A Synthetic Security

(i) (A) each of the Reference Obligations of which satisfy the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and could be purchased by the Issuer without any required action by the Rating Agencies, without satisfaction of the Rating Condition or which the Rating Agencies have otherwise approved; or

(B) each of the Reference Obligations of which would satisfy clause (A) above but for the currency in which the Reference Obligation is payable and the Synthetic Security is payable in Dollars, does not provide for physical settlement, and does not expose the Issuer to Dollar currency risk;

(ii) the Synthetic Security Agreement of which conforms (but for the amount and timing of periodic payments, the name of the Reference Obligation, the notional amount, the effective date, the termination date, and other similar necessary changes) to a form that has been expressly identified and approved in writing in connection with a request under this Indenture by Moody's and S&P; and

(iii) that is with a counterparty with respect to which the Rating Condition has been satisfied by each of Moody's and S&P prior to the acquisition of any such Form-Approved Synthetic Security, and such approval has not been withdrawn.

Moody's or S&P may at any time, by notice to the Portfolio Manager, withdraw its approval of any such form. A withdrawal of approval shall have no effect on any Synthetic Security acquired, entered into, or committed to before the date on which the Portfolio Manager receives the notice of withdrawal.

**"GAAP":** The meaning specified in Section 6.3(j).

**"Global Securities":** Any Regulation S Global Securities or Rule 144A Global Notes.

**"Grant":** To grant, bargain, sell, warrant, alienate, remise, demise, release, convey, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge, create, and grant a security interest in and right of setoff against, deposit,

set over, and confirm. A Grant of the Pledged Obligations, or of any other instrument, shall include all rights, powers, and options of the granting party thereunder, including the immediate continuing right to claim for, collect, receive, and receipt for principal and interest payments in respect of the Pledged Obligations, and all other monies payable thereunder, to give and receive notices and other communications, to make waivers or other agreements, to exercise all rights and options, to bring Proceedings in the name of the granting party or otherwise, and generally to do and receive anything that the granting party is or may be entitled to do or receive thereunder or with respect thereto.

**"Hedge Agreements"**: Collectively, all interest rate cap or interest rate swap agreements between the Issuer and any Hedge Counterparty, and any replacement agreement entered into pursuant to Section 15.2.

**"Hedge Counterparty"**: IXIS Financial Products Inc. or any other counterparty, to the extent that when the Issuer enters into any Hedge Agreement with IXIS Financial Products Inc. or the other counterparty, IXIS Financial Products Inc. or the other counterparty satisfies the requirements of Section 15.2(b) (subject, in the case of any other counterparty, to satisfaction of the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency).

**"Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(d).

**"Hedge Termination Receipt"**: Any termination payment paid by the Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer upon any early termination of a Hedge Agreement with respect to which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**"High-Yield Bond"**: Any debt security other than a Loan, including any Structured Finance Obligation, that is either Registered or, if not Registered, (i) it is issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States, (ii) the payments on it are not subject to United States withholding tax and (iii) it is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**"Holder"**: Of any Note (including any Class C Notes or Class D-2 Notes underlying the Class C Component and the Class D-2 Component, respectively) or Composite Security, the person whose name appears on the Indenture Register as the registered holder of the Note or Composite Security; and of any Preference Share (including any Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Components), the person whose name appears in the Preference Share register related thereto as the registered holder of such Preference Share.

**"Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice"**: A notice substantially in the form of Exhibit H-2.

**"Incentive Management Fee"**: On each Payment Date, the fee payable to the Portfolio Manager in an amount equal to: (i) 20% of the remaining Interest Proceeds, if any, available after making the distributions on such Payment pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(i)(19) of the Priority of Payments and (ii) 20% of the remaining Principal Proceeds, if any, available for payment in respect of the Incentive Management Fee pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(8)(A) of the Priority of Payments and, if applicable, Section 11.1(a)(ii)(11) of the Priority of Payments.

**"Indenture"**: This instrument as originally executed and, if from time to time supplemented or amended by one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture entered into pursuant to this Indenture, as so supplemented or amended.

**"Indenture Register"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.6(a).

**"Indenture Registrar"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.6(a).

**"Independent"**: As to any person, any other person (including, in the case of an accountant or lawyer, a firm of accountants or lawyers, and any member of the firm, or an investment bank and any member of the bank) who

(i) does not have and is not committed to acquire any material direct or any material indirect financial interest in the person or in any Affiliate of the person, and

(ii) is not connected with the person as an Officer, employee, promoter, underwriter, voting trustee, partner, director, or person performing similar functions.

"Independent" when used with respect to any accountant may include an accountant who audits the books of the person if in addition to satisfying the criteria above the accountant is independent with respect to the person within the meaning of Rule 101 of the Code of Ethics of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

Whenever any Independent person's opinion or certificate is to be furnished to the Trustee, the opinion or certificate shall state that the signer has read this definition and that the signer is Independent within the meaning of this Indenture.

**"Initial Consent Period"**: The period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee provided notice of a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2(c) to the Holders of Securities and Preference Shares.

**"Initial Rating"**: The ratings by Moody's and S&P with respect to each Class of Notes provided in the table in Section 2.3(a).

**"Insolvency Event"**: With respect to any person, means that:

(i) an involuntary proceeding shall be commenced or an involuntary petition shall be filed seeking:

(A) liquidation, reorganization, or other relief in respect of the person or its debts, or of all or substantially all of its assets, under any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar law now or hereafter in effect, or

(B) the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, conservator, or similar official for the person or for all or substantially all of its assets,

and, in any such case, the proceeding or petition shall continue undismissed for 30 days; or an order or decree approving or ordering any of the foregoing shall be entered, or

(ii) the person shall:

(A) voluntarily commence any proceeding or file any petition seeking liquidation, reorganization, or other relief under any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar law now or hereafter in effect,

- (B) consent to the institution of, or fail to contest in a timely and appropriate manner, any proceeding or petition described in clause (i) above,
- (C) apply for or consent to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, or conservator or for all or substantially all of its assets,
- (D) file an answer admitting the material allegations of a petition filed against it in any such proceeding, or
- (E) make a general assignment for the benefit of creditors.

**"Insolvency Proceeding"**: The meaning specified in Section 16.4(b).

**"Instrument"**: The meaning specified in Section 9-102(a)(47) of the UCC.

**"Interest Coverage Ratio"**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by dividing:

- (i) the sum of:
  - (A) the Interest Proceeds received or scheduled to be received with respect to the Due Period in which the Measurement Date occurs, *minus*
  - (B) amounts payable under clauses (1), (2), (3) and (4) of Section 11.1(a)(i) on the related Payment Date, by:
- (ii) all accrued and unpaid interest on the specified Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to the Class, including any Deferred Interest on the related Payment Date.

For purposes of the Interest Coverage Ratio, only the amount of any interest payment (including any "gross up" payment) on any Collateral Obligation in excess of any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction on any date of determination shall be included in Interest Proceeds.

**"Interest Coverage Test"**: A test the first Measurement Date for which will be on the second Payment Date and that is satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level in the table below for the specified Class:

<u>Test</u>	<u>Required Level</u>
Class A/B Interest Coverage Test	120.00%
Class C Interest Coverage Test	115.00%
Class D Interest Coverage Test	110.00%

**"Interest Period"**: Initially, the period from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the first Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date; provided, however, that the "Payment Date" solely for purposes of determining the Interest Period for the Fixed Rate Notes will be the 1<sup>st</sup>

day of each February, May, August and November, regardless of whether such day is a Business Day.

**"Interest Proceeds"**: With respect to any Due Period, the sum (without duplication) of all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period (or as otherwise specified below) by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are:

- (i) payments of interest, fees, and commissions (excluding (A) Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal, (B) interest and dividends on Workout Assets, (C) fees and commissions from Defaulted Collateral Obligations, and (D) syndication and other up-front fees and any up-front fixed payments received in connection with entering into a Synthetic Security);
- (ii) any portion of the Sale Proceeds of a Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) representing Accrued Interest On Sale;
- (iii) all payments of principal on, or disposition proceeds from the sale of, Eligible Investments to the extent purchased with Interest Proceeds;
- (iv) payments with respect to the Hedge Agreements received on or before the related Payment Date (other than any amount payable thereunder because of any early termination or notional amount reduction), but not any Sale Proceeds from any of these instruments (except to the extent that they were purchased with Interest Proceeds);
- (v) all fees received pursuant to any Securities Lending Agreements;
- (vi) during the continuance of an "event of default" (under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement), all interest received from the related Securities Lending Collateral;
- (vii) amounts in the Collection Account designated for distribution as Interest Proceeds pursuant to the Priority of Payments (including any amount transferred from the Interest Reserve Account);
- (viii) all earnings on amounts in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account and the Revolving Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.3(b);
- (ix) amounts in the Expense Reimbursement Account on the Payment Date for the relevant Due Period; and
- (x) any recoveries (including interest) received on a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in excess of the principal balance of such Defaulted Collateral Obligation (as of the date the related Collateral Obligation became a Defaulted Collateral Obligation).

Interest Proceeds shall not include the Excluded Property and Interest Proceeds shall not include earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

If an Interim Ramp-Up Completion Date Failure has occurred and is continuing on the first Payment Date, all Interest Proceeds remaining after application of Interest Proceeds pursuant to clauses (1) through (18) of Section 11.1(a) shall be deemed to be Interest Proceeds received in the

Due Period relating to the second Payment Date and not available for distribution on such first Payment Date.

Each reference in the definition of "Interest Proceeds" to a Collateral Obligation shall include a Collateral Obligation that has been loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and Interest Proceeds shall include any amounts referred to in clauses (i) through (iii) above received by the Issuer in respect of the Collateral Obligation indirectly from the related Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement.

**"Interest Reserve Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(i).

**"Interim Ramp-Up Completion Date Failure"**: The failure of the Issuer to satisfy the criteria set forth in Section 7.19(e) on or before September 1, 2005 or the failure of the Issuer to satisfy the criteria set forth in Section 7.19(f) on or before November 1, 2005; notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Issuer receives a Rating Confirmation after an Interim Ramp-Up Completion Date Failure but before the first Payment Date, such Interim Ramp-Up Completion Date Failure shall not be deemed to have occurred.

**"Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance"**: For any Collateral Obligation other than Deep Discount Obligations, its Principal Balance; and for any Deep Discount Obligation its Purchase Price; provided, however, that if any Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations exist, the Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance for the Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations shall be the lower of (i) the weighted average Market Value of all CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances and (ii) the product of (a) 70% and (b) their respective Principal Balance.

**"Investment Obligation"**: For a Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security, and otherwise the Collateral Obligation.

**"Irish Paying Agent"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.2.

**"Issuer"**: The person named as such on the first page of this Indenture.

**"Issuer Accounts"**: The meaning assigned in the Granting Clauses.

**"Issuer Order"** and **"Issuer Request"**: A written order or request dated and signed in the name of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, or by the Portfolio Manager by an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

**"Issuer Ordinary Shares"**: The ordinary shares, par value \$1.00 per share, of the Issuer which have been issued by the Issuer and are outstanding from time to time.

**"Junior Class"**: With respect to a particular Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that is subordinated to that Class, as indicated in Section 13.1.

**"Knowledgeable Employee"**: The meaning specified in Rule 3c-5 under the Investment Company Act.

**"Leasing Finance Transaction"**: Any transaction pursuant to which the obligations of the lessee to pay rent or other amounts on a triple net basis under any lease of (or other arrangement conveying the right to use) real or personal property, or a combination thereof, are required to be classified and accounted for as a capital lease on a balance sheet of such lessee under generally

accepted accounting principles in the United States of America; but only if (a) such lease or other transaction provides for the unconditional obligation of the lessee to pay a stated amount of principal no later than a stated maturity date, together with interest thereon, and the payment of such obligation is not subject to any material non-credit related risk as determined by the Portfolio Manager, (b) the obligations of the lessee in respect of such lease or other transaction are fully secured, directly or indirectly, by the property that is the subject of such lease and (c) the interest held by the Issuer in respect of such lease or other transaction is treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

**"LIBOR"**: Determined by the Calculation Agent for any Interest Period, the offered rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent, for three month Dollar deposits that appears on Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News (or a page that replaces Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), as of 11:00 A.M. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period.

If, on the second Business Day before the first day of any relevant Interest Period, that rate does not appear on Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Market Commodities News (or a page that replaces Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), the Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks to prime banks in the London interbank market for three month Dollar deposits in Europe, by reference to requests by the Calculation Agent to four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Portfolio Manager) (the **"Reference Banks"**) for quotations as of approximately 11:00 A.M. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the Interest Period. If at least two of the Reference Banks provide quotations as requested, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean. If fewer than two Reference Banks provide quotations, LIBOR shall be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that leading banks in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Portfolio Manager) are quoting to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period for three month Dollar deposits.

If the Calculation Agent is unable to determine a rate in accordance with any of the above procedures, LIBOR for the Interest Period shall be calculated on the last day of the Interest Period and shall be the arithmetic mean of the rate of interest for each day during the Interest Period determined by the Calculation Agent as being the rate of interest most recently announced by the Bank at its New York office as its base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans (or if the Bank ceases to exist or is not quoting a base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans, another major money center commercial bank in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Portfolio Manager)).

For the first Interest Period, LIBOR shall be determined based on the actual number of days in the Interest Period using straight-line interpolation of two rates calculated in accordance with the above procedure, except that instead of using three month deposits, one rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next shorter than the Interest Period and the other rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next longer than the Interest Period. All calculations shall be calculated to at least four decimal places and rounded to four decimal places.

**"Loan"**: Any interest in a fully committed, senior secured, unsecured, or revolving loan (including loans involving credit linked deposits) that is acquired by assignment or by Participation (including any DIP Loan) that is either:

- (i) Registered, or



- (ii) issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States:
  - (A) whose payments are not subject to United States withholding tax; and
  - (B) that is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**"Long-Dated Collateral Obligation":** Any Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturity of the Notes other than a Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturities of the Notes that includes a "put" option to its obligor at a price of at least par payable on or before the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

**"Majority":** With respect to any Class or group of Notes or Composite Securities or the Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Composite Securities or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**"Management Agreement":** The Portfolio Management Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Management Fee":** The Senior Management Fee, the Subordinated Management Fee, and the Incentive Management Fee. The Portfolio Manager may, in its sole discretion:

- (i) waive all or any portion of the Management Fee, any funds representing the waived Management Fees to be retained in the Collection Account for distribution as either Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds (as determined by the Portfolio Manager) pursuant to the Priority of Payments; or
- (ii) defer all or any portion of the Management Fee, any funds representing the deferred Management Fees to be retained in the Collection Account, when they will become payable in the same manner and priority as their original characterization would have required unless deferred again.

**"Margin Stock":** "Margin Stock" as defined under Regulation U issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, including any debt security that is by its terms convertible into Margin Stock, but does not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation received pursuant to an offer by an issuer of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**"Market Value":** As of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Portfolio Manager and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any Collateral Obligation based upon the Portfolio Manager's commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the lower of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the bid-side prices for the purchase of the Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Portfolio Manager) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Portfolio Manager); provided that if a Market Value of any Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined for a period of 30 consecutive days then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero; provided, further, that during

such 30 day period, such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the lower of (i) (if any) the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as most recently determined by the Portfolio Manager in accordance with the foregoing and (ii) the current market value of such Collateral Obligation as determined by the Portfolio Manager in its commercially reasonable judgment; provided, further, that the maximum amount of Collateral Obligations having a Market Value assigned pursuant to the immediately preceding proviso shall be limited to 5.0% of the Maximum Investment Amount (and any amount in excess of 5.0% of the Maximum Investment Amount shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero).

**"Market Value Percentage"**: For any Collateral Obligation, the ratio obtained by dividing:

- (i) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation, *by*
- (ii) the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Maturity"**: With respect to any Note, the date on which the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable as provided in the Note or this Indenture, whether at the Stated Maturity or by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise.

**"Maturity Extension"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Maximum Investment Amount"**: An amount equal to:

- (i) on any Measurement Date during the Ramp-Up Period, U.S.\$678,000,000;
- and
- (ii) on any Measurement Date after the Ramp-Up Completion Date:
    - (A) the aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations plus the aggregate outstanding principal amount of any Defaulted Collateral Obligations, *plus*
    - (B) Cash representing Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account, *plus*
    - (C) Eligible Investments (other than Cash) purchased by the Issuer with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account.

**"Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor"**: As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the sum of (i) the number set forth in the column entitled "Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Portfolio Manager (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable) plus (ii) the Recovery Rate Modifier.

**"Measurement Date"**: Any date:

- (i) on which the Issuer commits to acquire or dispose of any Collateral Obligation,
- (ii) on which a Collateral Obligation becomes a Defaulted Collateral Obligation,
- (iii) that is a Determination Date,

(iv) that is the Ramp-Up Completion Date, and

(v) that is the date as of which the information in a Monthly Report is calculated pursuant to Section 10.6.

**"Memorandum and Articles of Association"**: The memorandum and articles of association of the Issuer, as amended and restated before the Closing Date or in accordance with this Indenture.

**"Merging Entity"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.10.

**"Minimum Diversity Score"**: As of any Measurement Date, a score equal to the number set forth in the column entitled "Minimum Diversity Score" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Portfolio Manager (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**"Minimum Weighted Average Spread"**: As of any Measurement Date, the spread equal to the percentage set forth in the row entitled "Minimum Weighted Average Spread" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Portfolio Manager (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**"Monthly Determination Date"**: The meaning specified in Section 10.6(a).

**"Monthly Report"**: The meaning specified in Section 10.6(a).

**"Moody's"**: Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

**"Moody's Default Probability Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Moody's Group I Country"**: Any of the following countries: Australia, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group I Country.

**"Moody's Group II Country"**: Any of the following countries: Germany, Ireland, Sweden, Switzerland and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group II Country.

**"Moody's Group III Country"**: Any of the following countries: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, Spain and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group III Country.

**"Moody's Industry Classification"**: The industry classifications in Schedule 2 as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by Moody's.

**"Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate"**: As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the number obtained by

(i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate,

(ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations, and

(iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

**"Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan"**: Any Loan that is not a Moody's Senior Secured Loan.

**"Moody's Obligation Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Moody's Priority Category"**: Each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" as a "Moody's Priority Category."

**"Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate"**: For any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" opposite the Moody's Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Moody's Rating Factor"**: The number in the table below opposite the rating of the Collateral Obligation (excluding Synthetic Securities where an Assigned Moody's Rating is not available).

<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>	<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>
Aaa	1	Ba1	940
Aa1	10	Ba2	1350
Aa2	20	Ba3	1766
Aa3	40	B1	2220
A1	70	B2	2720
A2	120	B3	3490
A3	180	Caa1	4770
Baa1	260	Caa2	6500
Baa2	360	Caa3	8070
Baa3	610	Ca or lower	10000

The Moody's Rating Factor for Collateral Obligations that are Synthetic Securities shall be determined by Moody's and obtained by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on a case-by-case basis, unless there is an Assigned Moody's Rating available for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, in which case such Assigned Moody's Rating shall be used to compute the Moody's Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security.

**"Moody's Senior Secured Loan"**:

(a) A Loan that:

(i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan,

(ii) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan, and

(iii) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal seniority secured by a first lien or security interest in the same collateral, or

(b) a Loan that:

(i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan, other than, with respect to a Loan described in clause (a) above, with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such loan,

(ii) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan,

(iii) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by a first or second lien or security interest in the same collateral, and

(iv) if the Loan has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating is not lower than the senior implied Moody's rating of the related obligor,

(c) the Loan is not: (i) a DIP Loan, (ii) a Loan for which the security interest or lien (or the validity or effectiveness thereof) in substantially all of its collateral attaches, becomes effective, or otherwise "springs" into existence after the origination thereof, or (iii) a type of loan that Moody's has identified as having unusual terms and with respect to which its Moody's Recovery Rate has been or is to be determined on a case-by-case basis.

**"Non-Call Period"**: The period from the Closing Date to but not including the Payment Date in August, 2010.

**"Non-Consenting Holder"**: With respect to any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities or Preference Shares, any Holder or, in the case of Securities or Preference Shares represented by Global Securities, any beneficial owner, that either (i) has declared in writing that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) had not consented to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

**"Non-Performing Collateral Obligation"**: Any Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any PIK Security as to which its issuer or obligor has previously deferred or capitalized any interest due on it and all the interest so deferred or capitalized has not subsequently been paid in full in cash by:

(i) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above, the earlier of its second payment date or one year following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it, or

(ii) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "Baa3," or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "BBB-," the earlier of its first payment date or six months following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it.

**"Non-Permitted Holder":** A Holder or beneficial owner of an interest in a Certificated Composite Security or Global Security that is a U.S. person and (i) not a QIB/QP and that becomes the beneficial owner of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note, (ii) with respect to the Composite Securities evidenced by a Certificated Composite Security, is not (x) a QIB/QP or (y) an Accredited Investor and a Qualified Purchaser or (iii) does not have an exemption available under the Securities Act.

**"Note Break-Even Loss Rate":** With respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the maximum percentage of defaults that the Current Portfolio or Proposed Portfolio can sustain and nevertheless sufficient funds will remain for the payment of principal of the Class of Notes in full by its Stated Maturity and the timely payment of interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes using S&P's assumptions on recoveries, defaults, and timing, and taking into account the Priority of Payments and the adjusted Weighted Average Spread level specified in the applicable row of the table below. The adjusted Weighted Average Spread as of any Measurement Date is the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date minus the amount of any Spread Excess added to the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon as of the Measurement Date.

Row	Adjusted Weighted Average Spread
1	Greater than or equal to 3.05%
2	Greater than or equal to 2.95% but less than 3.05
3	Greater than or equal to 2.85% but less than 2.95
4	Greater than or equal to 2.75% but less than 2.85%
5	Greater than or equal to 2.65% but less than 2.75%
6	Greater than or equal to 2.55% but less than 2.65%
7	Greater than or equal to 2.45% but less than 2.55%
8	Greater than or equal to 2.35% but less than 2.45%
9	Greater than or equal to 2.25% but less than 2.35%

**"Note Class Loss Differential":** With respect to any Measurement Date and any Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the rate calculated by subtracting the Class Scenario Loss Rate for the Class from the then-applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate for the Class of Notes.

**"Note Components":** The Class C Component and the Class D-2 Component.

**"Noteholder":** A Holder of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes.

**"Note Interest Rate":** With respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate payable on the Notes of the Class with respect to each Interest Period equal to (i) in the case of Notes (other than the Fixed Rate Notes), LIBOR for Eurodollar deposits for the applicable Interest Period plus the spread specified in the "Interest Rate" rows of the tables in Section 2.3 with respect

to such Notes except in the first Interest Period and (ii) in the case of the Fixed Rate Notes, the rate specified for them in Section 2.3.

**"Note Payment Sequence"**: The application of funds in the following order:

- (1) to the Class A Notes until the Class A Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (2) to the Class B Notes until the Class B Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (3) to the Class C Notes until the Class C Notes have been fully redeemed; and
- (4) to the Class D Notes until the Class D Notes have been fully redeemed (with each of the Class D Notes being redeemed *pro rata* based upon the outstanding principal amount of the Class D-1 Notes and the Class D-2 Notes).

**"Notes"**: The Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes authorized by, and authenticated and delivered under, this Indenture or any supplemental indenture.

**"Offer"**: The meaning specified in Section 10.7(c).

**"Offering"**: The offering of the Notes and the Composite Securities.

**"Offering Memorandum"**: The final Offering Memorandum, dated June 27, 2005, prepared and delivered in connection with the offer and sale of the Notes, the Composite Securities and the Preference Shares.

**"Officer"**: With respect to the Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to the Co-Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to any partnership, any of its general partners; and with respect to the Trustee, any Trust Officer.

**"Opinion of Counsel"**: A written opinion addressed to the Trustee and each Rating Agency, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and each Rating Agency, of an attorney at law (or law firm with one or more partners) reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and admitted to practice before the highest court of any state of the United States or the District of Columbia (or the Cayman Islands, in the case of an opinion relating to the laws of the Cayman Islands), which attorney (or law firm) may, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, be counsel for the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. Whenever an Opinion of Counsel is required under this Indenture, the Opinion of Counsel may rely on opinions of other counsel who are so admitted and so satisfactory, which opinions of other counsel shall accompany the Opinion of Counsel and shall either be addressed to the Trustee and each Rating Agency or shall state that the Trustee and each Rating Agency may rely on it. An Opinion of Counsel may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion.

**"Optional Redemption"**: A redemption of the Notes in accordance with Section 9.2.

**"Other Indebtedness"**: The meaning specified in the definition of "Defaulted Collateral Obligation."

**"Outstanding"**: With respect to:

(a) the Notes and the Composite Securities or any specified Class, as of any date of determination, all of the Notes, all of the Composite Securities, or all of the Notes or Composite Securities of the specified Class, as the case may be, theretofore authenticated and delivered under this Indenture, except with respect to Notes and Composite Securities:

(i) Securities canceled by the Indenture Registrar or delivered to the Indenture Registrar for cancellation;

(ii) Notes for whose payment or redemption funds in the necessary amount have been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for their Holders pursuant to Section 4.1(a)(ii) and if the Notes are to be redeemed, notice of redemption has been duly given pursuant to this Indenture;

(iii) Notes in exchange for or in lieu of which other Notes have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to this Indenture and Composite Securities in exchange for or in lieu of which other Composite Securities have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to this Indenture; and

(iv) Securities alleged to have been destroyed, lost, or stolen for which replacement Securities have been issued as provided in Section 2.7, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Securities are held by a protected purchaser;

(b) the Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Preference Share Documents and listed in the Preference Share register of the Issuer as outstanding;

provided that, in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes, the Preference Shares or the Composite Securities have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, or waiver under this Indenture,

(1) Holders of Class 1 Composite Securities, except to the extent otherwise expressly provided, will be entitled to vote with the Class D-2 Notes and the Preference Shares to which the Class D-2 Components and the Preference Share Components, respectively, of such Class 1 Composite Securities relate: (i) the Class D-2 Component, in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D-2 Component bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Class D-2 Notes (including the Class D-2 Component); and (ii) the Class 1 Composite Security Preference Shares Component, in the proportion that the number of Preference Shares attributable to such Class 1 Composite Security Preference Shares Component bears to the number of all the Outstanding Preference Shares (including the Class 1 Composite Security Preference Shares Component and the Class 2 Composite Security Preference Shares Component); and

(2) Holders of Class 2 Composite Securities, except to the extent otherwise expressly provided, will be entitled to vote with the Class C Notes and the Preference Shares to which the Class C Components and the Preference Share Components, respectively, of such composite Security relate: (i) the Class C Component, in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Component bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Class C Notes (including the Class C Component); and (ii) the Class 2 Composite Security Preference Shares Component, in the proportion that the number of Preference Shares attributable to such Class 2



Composite Security Preference Shares Component bears to the number of all the Outstanding Preference Shares (including the Class 1 Composite Security Preference Shares Component and the Class 2 Composite Security Preference Shares Component); and

(3) Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares owned or beneficially owned by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, any Affiliate of either of them and (only (x) with respect to any matter affecting its status as Portfolio Manager, or (y) in any matter respecting an acceleration of any Class of Notes or Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Component) if the effect of the Portfolio Manager's action or inaction as a Holder of Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares would effectively prevent acceleration) the Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates shall be disregarded and not be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, or waiver, only Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares that a Trust Officer of the Trustee has actual knowledge to be so owned or beneficially owned shall be so disregarded. Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares so owned or beneficially owned that have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee the pledgee's right so to act with respect to the Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares and that the pledgee is not the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any Affiliate of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

With respect to Components, as of any date of determination, all of the Components represented by Composite Securities that are Outstanding under this Indenture or the Preference Share Documents.

**"Overcollateralization Ratio"**: With respect to any Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by *dividing*:

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator; by
- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it (excluding any Deferred Interest on the Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it).

**"Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator"**: On any date, the sum of:

- (1) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (other than any Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, any Deep Discount Obligations, and any Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an "event of default" (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing); *plus*
- (2) unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal (excluding any unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal in respect of Non-Performing Collateral Obligations); *plus*
- (3) the Aggregate Principal Balance of any Eligible Investments that were purchased with Principal Proceeds and the amount of Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
- (4) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Eligible Investments on deposit in a Securities Lending Account that relate to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to

which an "event of default" (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing; *plus*

(5) with respect Collateral Obligation that are Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, Deep Discount Obligations or Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, the amount determined by using one of the following methods applicable to such type of Collateral Obligation; provided that if a Collateral Obligation falls within more than one of such types, the Issuer will be required to use the method that results in the smallest amount:

(A) with respect to any Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, an amount equal to the product of (i) the lower of (1) 70% and (2) the weighted average Market Value of all CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances *multiplied* by (ii) the Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations;

(B) with respect to any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, the aggregate of the Applicable Collateral Obligation Amounts for all included Non-Performing Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations that have been held by the Issuer for more than three years, which shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this clause (B)); and

(C) with respect to any Deep Discount Obligations, the Aggregate Purchase Price Amount for all Deep Discount Obligations.

As used in this definition, "***Applicable Collateral Obligation Amount***" for any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation means:

(a) the lesser of:

(x) the Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation; and

(y) the Applicable Percentage for the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation;

*multiplied* by:

(b) if the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation is:

(1) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (2) through (4) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;

(2) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;

(3) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and

(4) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

As used in the calculation of Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation, the Principal Balance of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall be, if the Defaulted Collateral Obligation is:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (ii) through (iv) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and
- (iv) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

**"Overcollateralization Test":** A test that is satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes if, as of any Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the required level for the specified Class indicated in the table below:

<u>Test</u>	<u>Required Level</u>
Class A/B Overcollateralization Test	112.7%
Class C Overcollateralization Test	108.0%
Class D Overcollateralization Test	105.0%

**"Participating Institution":** An institution that creates a participation interest and that has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" (and if so rated by Moody's such rating is not on watch for possible downgrade) and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A".

**"Participation":** A Loan acquired as a participation interest created by a Participating Institution.

**"Paying Agent":** Any person authorized by the Issuer to pay the principal of or interest on any Notes or to pay any amounts on any Composite Securities on behalf of the Issuer as specified in Section 7.2.

**"Payment Account":** The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(h).

**"Payment Date":** The first day of February, May, August and November in each year, commencing in November 2005 or, if any such day is not a Business Day, the next following Business Day, any other date on which the Notes are redeemed or paid before their Stated Maturity, and at the Stated Maturity for the Notes.

**"Permitted Offer":** An Offer pursuant to which the offeror offers to acquire a debt obligation (including a Collateral Obligation) in exchange solely for cash in an amount equal to or greater than the full face amount of the debt obligation plus any accrued and unpaid interest and as to which the Portfolio Manager has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the offeror has sufficient access to financing to consummate the Offer.

**"PIK Cash-Pay Interest"**: As to any PIK Security, the portion of interest required to be paid in cash (and not permitted to be added to the balance of such PIK Security or otherwise deferred and accrued) thereon pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments.

**"PIK Security"**: Any loan or debt obligation on which any portion of the interest accrued for a specified period of time or until the maturity thereof is, or at the option of the obligor may be, added to the principal balance of such loan or debt obligation or otherwise deferred rather than being paid in cash, provided that such loan or debt obligation shall not be a PIK Security if the portion, if any, of such interest required pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments to be paid in Cash would result in the outstanding principal amount of such loan or debt obligation having an effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest at least equal to (i) if such loan or debt obligation is a fixed rate loan or debt obligation, 4% per annum, or (ii) if such loan or debt obligation is a floating rate loan or debt obligation, LIBOR.

**"Placed Securities"**: The Notes, the Composite Securities and the portion of the Preference Shares, in each case placed by the Placement Agents pursuant to the Placement Agency Agreement.

**"Placement Agency Agreement"**: A placement agency agreement dated June 29, 2005 among the Co-Issuers and IXIS Securities North America Inc. as Lead Manager on behalf of the Placement Agents relating to the placement of the Placed Securities, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Placement Agents"**: IXIS Securities North America Inc. and IXIS Corporate & Investment Bank.

**"Pledged Obligations"**: As of any date of determination, the Collateral Obligations, the Workout Assets, the Eligible Investments, and any other securities or obligations that have been Granted to the Trustee that form part of the Collateral.

**"Portfolio Manager"**: Highland Capital Management, L.P., and any successor Portfolio Manager pursuant to the Management Agreement.

**"Preference Share Component"**: The Class 1 Composite Security Preference Share Component and the Class 2 Composite Security Preference Share Component.

**"Preference Share Distribution Account"**: A segregated bank account established by the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deposit all amounts received from the Issuer and payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares under the Priority of Payments.

**"Preference Share Documents"**: The Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the resolutions of the Issuer's Board of Directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

**"Preference Share Internal Rate of Return"**: With respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the "XIRR" function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for the following cash flows, assuming all Preference Shares were purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount:

- (i) each distribution of Interest Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date and

(ii) each distribution of Principal Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date.

**"Preference Shares"**: The Preference Shares issued by the Issuer pursuant to the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association and the resolutions of the Issuer's Board of Directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

**"Preference Shares Notional Amount"**: Means, \$70,000,000.

**"Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement"**: The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, by and between the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

**"Preference Shares Paying Agent"**: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, in its capacity as Preference Shares Paying Agent under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter "Preference Shares Paying Agent" shall mean such successor person.

**"Principal Balance"**: With respect to:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those specifically covered in this definition, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Pledged Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest, zero, except as otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture;
- (iv) any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, except as otherwise provided, zero;
- (v) any Collateral Obligation that has been loaned, its Principal Balance shall be reduced by the excess of the amount of collateral required over the actual Market Value of the collateral;
- (vi) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance shall include any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount), except as otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture;
- (vii) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance shall not include any principal amount of the PIK Security representing previously deferred or capitalized interest; and
- (viii) any obligation or security that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, zero.

**"Principal Proceeds"**: With respect to any Due Period, all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are not Interest Proceeds.

Principal Proceeds shall include any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account into the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.2.

Principal Proceeds do not include the Excluded Property or earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

At any time when an "event of default" under a Securities Lending Agreement has occurred and is continuing, any payments received by the Issuer from the related Securities Lending Collateral shall be Principal Proceeds.

**"Priority Class"**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that ranks senior to that Class, as indicated in Section 13.1.

**"Priority of Payments"**: The meaning specified in Section 11.1(a).

**"Proceeding"**: Any suit in equity, action at law, or other judicial or administrative proceeding.

**"Proposed Portfolio"**: As of any Measurement Date, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations and Principal Proceeds held as Cash on deposit in the Collection Account and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account resulting from the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or a proposed reinvestment in a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**"Purchase Price"**: With respect to the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (other than any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation), the net purchase price paid by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation. The net purchase price is determined by subtracting from the purchase price the amount of any Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal and any syndication and other upfront fees paid to the Issuer and by adding the amount of any related transaction costs (including assignment fees) paid by the Issuer to the seller of the Collateral Obligation or its agent.

**"Purchase Price Amount"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation on any date of determination, the product of (i) the Purchase Price (stated as a percentage) thereof and (ii) the Principal Balance thereof on such date.

**"QIB/QP"**: Any person that, at the time of its acquisition of Notes or Composite Securities is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser.

**"Qualified Equity Security"**: Any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that is stock or evidence of an interest in or a right to buy stock, or any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation but whose acquisition otherwise is a transaction in stocks or securities within the meaning of Section 864(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Code and the regulations under the Code. Qualified Equity Securities do not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation and that will cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in or having income from a United States trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes by virtue of its ownership or disposition of the obligation (without regard to the Issuer's other activities).

**"Qualified Institutional Buyer"**: The meaning specified in Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

**"Qualified Purchaser"**: The meaning specified in Section 2(a)(51) of the 1940 Act and Rule 2a51-2 under the 1940 Act (including entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers).

**"Ramp-Up Completion Date"**: The earlier of:

- (i) the Business Day after the 179<sup>th</sup> day after the Closing Date, and
- (ii) the first date on which the following conditions are satisfied:
  - (x) (A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least \$678,000,000 or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer with proceeds from the sale of the Notes (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be) equals at least \$678,000,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date); and
  - (y) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$678,000,000.

**"Ramp-Up Period"**: The period from and including the Closing Date to and including the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

**"Rating Agency"**: Each of Moody's and S&P or, with respect to Pledged Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or S&P ceases to provide rating services with respect to high yield debt securities, any other nationally recognized statistical rating organization selected by the Issuer and reasonably satisfactory to a Majority of each Class of Notes. If at any time Moody's ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of Moody's in this Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used. If at any time S&P ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of S&P in this Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and S&P published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used.

**"Rating Condition"**: With respect to any Rating Agency and any action taken or to be taken under this Indenture, a condition that is satisfied when the Rating Agency has confirmed to the Portfolio Manager (as agent for the Issuer) in writing that no withdrawal, reduction, suspension, or other adverse action with respect to any then current rating by it (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes or, in the case of Moody's; Composite Securities will occur as a result of the action. The Rating Condition with respect to any Rating Agency shall be satisfied for all purposes of this Indenture at any time when no Outstanding Securities are rated by it.

**"Rating Confirmation"**: Confirmation in writing from each Rating Agency (and with respect to the Composite Securities, from Moody's only) that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes or Composite Securities.

**"Rating Confirmation Failure"**: A failure by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Issuer) to obtain confirmation in writing from S&P and written confirmation from Moody's

that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn its Initial Rating of each Class of Notes and, in the case of Moody's, Composite Securities and that it has not placed any Class of Notes or, in the case of Moody's, Composite Securities on credit watch with negative implications by the Business Day after the 29th day after the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

**"Ratings Matrix":** The "row/column combination" of the table below selected by the Portfolio Manager on the Closing Date to apply initially for purposes of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test. Thereafter, on notice to the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager may select a different row of the Ratings Matrix to apply, or may interpolate between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable, on a straight-line basis and round the results to two decimal points.

Minimum Weighted Average Spread	Minimum Diversity Score						
	50	55	60	65	70	75	80
2.25%	2110	2140	2170	2200	2230	2260	2290
2.35%	2170	2200	2230	2260	2290	2320	2350
2.45%	2230	2260	2290	2320	2350	2380	2410
2.55%	2290	2320	2350	2380	2410	2440	2470
2.65%	2350	2380	2410	2440	2470	2500	2530
2.75%	2410	2440	2470	2500	2530	2560	2590
2.85%	2470	2500	2530	2560	2590	2620	2650
2.95%	2530	2560	2590	2620	2650	2680	2710
3.05%	2590	2620	2650	2680	2710	2740	2770
Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor							

**"Recovery Rate Modifier":** As of any Measurement Date, the lesser of 60 and the product of:

(i) (a) the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate minus the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test (but not less than zero) multiplied by (b) 100; and

(ii) 40.

**"Record Date":** As to any Payment Date, the 15<sup>th</sup> day (whether or not a Business Day) before the Payment Date.

**"Redemption Date":** Any Payment Date specified for an Optional Redemption of Securities pursuant to Section 9.2.

**"Redemption Price":** With respect to any Note (including any Note Component) and any Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), an amount equal to:

(i) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of the Note being redeemed, plus



(ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest), plus

(iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note, plus

(iv) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

With respect to any Preference Share and any Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b), "Redemption Price" means (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the *pro rata* portion for such Preference Share of the entire remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications pursuant to the Priority of Payments or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case, as specified in Section 9.2(b).

**"Reference Obligation"**: An obligation that would otherwise satisfy the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and on which a Synthetic Security is based.

**"Reference Obligor"**: The obligor of a Reference Obligation.

**"Registered"**: With respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment, means that it is issued after July 18, 1984 and is in registered form within the meaning of Section 881(c)(2)(B)(i) of the Code and the United States Department of the Treasury ("Treasury") regulations promulgated thereunder.

**"Registered Office"**: The registered office of the Issuer, which shall be located outside of the United States.

**"Regulation D"**: Regulation D under the Securities Act.

**"Regulation S"**: Regulation S under the Securities Act.

**"Regulation S Global Composite Security"**: Any Composite Security issued in the form of a Regulation S Global Security.

**"Regulation S Global Note"**: Any Note issued in the form of a Regulation S Global Security.

**"Regulation S Global Preference Share"**: The meaning set forth in the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

**"Regulation S Global Security"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(b).

**"Reinvestment Overcollateralization Ratio"**: As of any Measurement Date, the ratio obtained by dividing:

(i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator *by*

(ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes, excluding any Deferred Interest on any Class of Notes.

**"Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date during the Reinvestment Period on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 106.3%.

**"Reinvestment Period":** The period from the Closing Date through and including the first to occur of:

- (i) the Payment Date after the date that the Portfolio Manager notifies the Trustee, each Rating Agency, and the Administrator, in the sole discretion of the Portfolio Manager, that, in light of the composition of the Collateral, general market conditions, and other factors, investments in additional Collateral Obligations within the foreseeable future would either be impractical or not beneficial,
- (ii) the Payment Date in August, 2012 or, in the case of an Extension, the Extended Reinvestment Period End Date,
- (iii) the Payment Date on which all Notes are to be optionally redeemed or an earlier date after notice of an Optional Redemption chosen by the Portfolio Manager to facilitate the liquidation of the Collateral for the Optional Redemption, and
- (iv) the date on which the Reinvestment Period terminates or is terminated as a result of an Event of Default (subject to Section 5.2(b)).

**"Replacement Hedge":** A replacement hedge agreement that qualifies to be a Hedge Agreement under this Indenture.

**"Repository":** The internet-based password protected electronic repository of transaction documents relating to privately offered and sold collateralized debt obligation securities located at "www.cdolibrary.com" operated by The Bond Market Association.

**"Required Rating":** The meaning specified in Section 15.2(b).

**"Revolving Loan":** A Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation (in each case excluding any Delayed Drawdown Loan) that requires the Issuer to make future advances to (or for the account of) the borrower under its Underlying Instruments (including any letter of credit for which the Issuer is required to reimburse the issuing bank for under it). A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Revolving Loan for so long as its Commitment Amount is greater than zero.

**"Revolving Reserve Account":** The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(b).

**"Rule 144A":** Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

**"Rule 144A Global Note":** The meaning specified in Section 2.2(c).

**"Rule 144A Information":** The meaning specified in Section 7.15.

**"S&P":** Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc.

**"S&P CDO Monitor":** A dynamic, analytical computer model developed by S&P (and as may be modified by S&P from time to time) and provided to the Portfolio Manager and the Collateral Administrator to be used to calculate the default frequency in terms of the amount of debt

assumed to default as a percentage of the original principal amount of the Collateral Obligations consistent with a specified benchmark rating level based on certain assumptions and S&P's proprietary corporate default studies. For the purpose (and only for the purpose) of applying the S&P CDO Monitor to a portfolio of obligations, for each obligation in the portfolio, the rating of the obligation shall be its S&P Rating.

**"S&P CDO Monitor Test"**: A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive. The S&P CDO Monitor Test shall be considered to be improved if each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is at least equal to the corresponding Note Class Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio. The S&P CDO Monitor Test is not required to be satisfied or improved upon the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation and the reinvestment of the related Sale Proceeds in additional Collateral Obligations as provided in Section 12.1(a). For purposes of the S&P CDO Monitor Test,

- (i) the S&P Rating of any S&P Unrated DIP Loan shall be "CCC-" and
- (ii) the S&P Industry Classification for a Synthetic Security shall be that of the related Reference Obligation and not the Synthetic Security.

**"S&P Industry Classification"**: The S&P Industry Classifications in Schedule 3 as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by S&P.

**"S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate"**: As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the number obtained by

- (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate,
- (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations, and
- (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

**"S&P Priority Category"**: Each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" as an "S&P Priority Category."

**"S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate"**: For any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" opposite the S&P Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**"S&P Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"S&P Unrated DIP Loan"**: A DIP Loan acquired by the Issuer that does not have a rating assigned by S&P and for which the Portfolio Manager has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P (as specified in the definition of "DIP Loan").

**"Sale"**: The meaning specified in Section 5.17.

**"Sale Proceeds"**: All proceeds received (including any proceeds received with respect to any associated interest rate swap or security providing fixed annuity payments ) with respect to Collateral Obligations or other Pledged Obligations as a result of their sales or other dispositions less any reasonable expenses expended by the Portfolio Manager or the Trustee in connection with the

sales or other dispositions, which shall be paid from such proceeds notwithstanding their characterization otherwise as Administrative Expenses.

**"Schedule of Collateral Obligations"**: The Collateral Obligations listed on Schedule 1, which schedule shall include with respect to each listed Collateral Obligation:

- (A) the name of the obligor and a unique Loan or other instrument identifier;
- (B) the purchase price;
- (C) the Principal Balance;
- (D) the classification (including whether the Collateral Obligation is a Loan, a High-Yield Bond, a Synthetic Security, a Participation, a Structured Finance Obligation, a Revolving Loan, or a Delayed Drawdown Loan);
- (E) the funded amount (stated as a percentage) in respect of a Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or a Delayed Drawdown Loan;
- (F) the coupon or spread (as applicable);
- (G) the Stated Maturity;
- (H) the Moody's Rating;
- (I) the S&P Rating; and
- (J) the CUSIP and any ISIN, if applicable,

as the schedule may be amended from time to time to reflect the release of Collateral Obligations pursuant to Article 10 and the inclusion of Collateral Obligations as provided in Section 12.2.

**"Second Lien Loan"**: A Secured Loan (other than a Senior Secured Loan) that (i) is only subordinated in right of payment to the Senior Secured Loan and (ii) has a junior contractual claim on tangible property (which property is subject to a prior lien (other than customary permitted liens, as such, but not limited to, any tax liens)) to secure payment of a debt or the fulfillment of a contractual obligation.

**"Secondary Risk Counterparty"**: Any obligor Domiciled other than in the United States, any Participating Institution, any Synthetic Security Counterparty, and any Securities Lending Counterparty.

**"Secondary Risk Table":** The table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty		Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
Moody's	S&P		
Aaa	AAA	20.0%	20.0%
Aa1	AA+	10.0%	10.0%
Aa2	AA	10.0%	10.0%
Aa3	AA-	10.0%	10.0%
A1	A+	5.0%	10.0%
A2 or below	A or below	0.0%	0.0%

If any Secondary Risk Counterparty's long-term senior unsecured debt rating or short-term rating is on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P, then for the purposes of the table above, its rating by the Rating Agency putting its rating on credit watch shall be one rating notch lower for that Rating Agency.

**"Section 3(c)(7)":** Section 3(c)(7) of the 1940 Act.

**"Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice":** A notice from the Issuer to the Noteholders (to be delivered in accordance with Sections 10.6(a) and (b)) substantially in the form of Exhibit H-1.

**"Secured Loan":** A Loan that (i) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**"Secured Obligations":** The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Secured Parties":** The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Securities":** The Notes and the Composite Securities.

**"Securities Act":** The United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

**"Securities Intermediary":** Any clearing corporation or any person, including a bank or broker, that in the ordinary course of its business maintains securities accounts for others and is acting in that capacity.

**"Securities Lending Account":** The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(f).

**"Securities Lending Agreements":** The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**"Securities Lending Collateral":** The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**"Securities Lending Counterparty":** The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**"Security Entitlement":** The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(17) of the UCC.

**"Selected Collateral Quality Tests":** The Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Life Test (after taking into consideration any applicable Maturity Extension), the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the Diversity Test.

**"Senior Management Fee":** A fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Portfolio Manager in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.30% per annum of the Maximum Investment Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Senior Management Fee shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

**"Senior Secured Loan":** A Secured Loan that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a first priority security interest in collateral.

**"Senior Unsecured Loan":** A Loan that is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**"Share Trustee":** Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited.

**"Share Registrar":** Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited.

**"Special Redemption":** The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**"Special Redemption Amount":** The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**"Special Redemption Date":** The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**"Spread Excess":** As of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose:

(i) numerator is the product of:

(A) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date over the Minimum Weighted Average Spread specified in the applicable row of the Ratings Matrix, and

(B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date, and

(ii) denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Spread Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Fixed Rate Excess were equal to zero.

**"Stated Maturity":** With respect to any Collateral Obligation, the maturity date specified in it or the applicable Underlying Instrument (or, if earlier, the first date on which any person may be required by the Issuer to repurchase the entire principal amount of the Collateral Obligation at or above par) and with respect to the Notes of any Class and the Composite Securities, the Payment Date in August, 2017 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated

Maturity Date. Unless otherwise specified, "Stated Maturity" means the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Composite Securities; provided that references in this Indenture to the "Stated Maturity" of the Composite Securities mean the date the Notes underlying the Note Component of such Composite Securities will mature at par and the Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Components of such Composite Securities are scheduled to be redeemed at the Redemption Price thereof by the Issuer in accordance with the Preference Share Documents.

**"Structured Finance Obligation":** Any obligation:

- (i) secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool or portfolio of primarily loans to U.S. obligors, or obligors organized or incorporated in Moody's Group I Countries, Moody's Group II Countries or Moody's Group III Countries, including portfolio credit default swaps, synthetic collateralized debt obligations, and collateralized debt obligations;
- (ii) that has an S&P Rating and an S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate;
- (iii) that has a rating and a Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate assigned by Moody's; and
- (iv) whose ownership or disposition (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) by the Issuer will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

In connection with the purchase of a Structured Finance Obligation, the Portfolio Manager shall obtain from Moody's the applicable Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate.

For purposes of the Diversity Test, multiple Structured Finance Obligations from CDOs managed by the same Portfolio Manager or multiple Structured Finance Obligations issued by the same master trust will be considered to be obligations of one issuer.

**"Subordinated Lien Loan":** A Secured Loan (other than a Second Lien Loan) secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**"Subordinated Management Fee":** An amount equal to the sum of (i) a fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Portfolio Manager in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.25% per annum of the Maximum Investment Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments, (ii) on any Payment Date that any part of the Senior Management Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period plus 3.00% per annum and (iii) on any Payment Date that any part of the Subordinated Management Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period plus 3.00% per annum. The portion of the Subordinated Management Fee or Senior Management Fee, as applicable, in clauses (i) through (iii) above, as applicable, shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

**"Successor Entity":** The meaning specified in Section 7.10.

**"Super Majority":** With respect to any Class or group of Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**"Synthetic Security"**: Any swap transaction, structured bond investment, credit linked note, or other derivative financial instrument relating to a debt instrument (but excluding any such instrument relating directly to a basket or portfolio of debt instruments) or an index or indices (such as the "SAMI" index published by Credit Suisse First Boston) in connection with a basket or portfolio of debt instruments or other similar instruments entered into by the Issuer with a Synthetic Security Counterparty that has in the Portfolio Manager's commercially reasonable judgment, equivalent expected loss characteristics (those characteristics, "**credit risk**") to those of the related Reference Obligations (taking account of those considerations as they relate to the Synthetic Security Counterparty), if (i) it is either a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied, and (ii) the Reference Obligations thereof have a weighted average Market Value of at least 85% at the time the Synthetic Security is entered into.

The maturity, interest rate, and other non-credit characteristics of a Synthetic Security may be different from the Reference Obligations to which the credit risk of the Synthetic Security relates.

No Synthetic Security shall require the Issuer to make any payment to the Synthetic Security Counterparty after its initial purchase other than any payments represented by the release of any cash collateral posted by the Issuer from the Collection Account to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of the posted cash collateral. Collateral may be posted only to a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account. No Synthetic Security shall result in the Issuer being a "buyer" of credit protection.

The term Synthetic Security shall not include any Structured Finance Obligation or any Participation, but the Reference Obligation of a Synthetic Security may be a Structured Finance Obligation.

Each Synthetic Security Agreement shall contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those contained in this Indenture.

The ownership or disposition of any Synthetic Security (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) must not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

Unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" under any proposed Synthetic Security must not provide that its transfer to the Issuer is subject to obtaining any consents and must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation and satisfy the Concentration Limitations under this Indenture, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event and if the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security is a Senior Secured Loan then the "deliverable obligation" under the Synthetic Security must also be a Senior Secured Loan.

Synthetic Securities that are credit default swaps, credit linked notes, or other similar instruments may not provide for "restructuring" as a "credit event".

For purposes of the Coverage Tests and the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test, unless the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied in respect of any proposed alternative treatment, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.



For purposes of the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligation.

With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, for purposes of: (i) calculating compliance with the Diversity Test, the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test, and the Concentration Limitations (other than limits relating to payment characteristics and except for clauses 17 and 17(a) of the definition of "Concentration Limitations"), and all related definitions, and (ii) any other provision or definition of this Indenture involving a determination with respect to a Reference Obligation, the characteristics of such Reference Obligations shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct investment by the Issuer in each such Reference Obligation in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation. In addition, each Reference Obligation under such Synthetic Security shall be assigned a Moody's Rating Factor equal to the sum of the Moody's Rating Factor of (i) the related Reference Obligor, (ii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty of such Synthetic Security and (iii) the Synthetic Security Collateral of such Synthetic Security. In addition, the Moody's Priority Category Rate in respect of a Synthetic Security referencing multiple Reference Obligations pursuant to this paragraph shall be the Moody's Priority Category Rate as assigned by Moody's to each Reference Obligation underlying such Synthetic Security. For the avoidance of doubt, Reference Obligations upon which a Synthetic Security is based as described in this paragraph must meet the definition of "Collateral Obligation" to the extent provided in this definition.

If the Rating Condition must be satisfied to execute the purchase of any Synthetic Security, the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, shall give each applicable Rating Agency not less than 5 days' prior notice of the purchase of or entry into any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Agreement":** The documentation governing any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Collateral":** With respect to any Synthetic Security, amounts posted to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account by the Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its obligations under the Synthetic Security, including (i) all Eligible Investments or (ii) investments that satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's, in each case that mature no later than the Stated Maturity, in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account that are purchased with Synthetic Security Collateral.

**"Synthetic Security Collateral Account":** The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(e).

**"Synthetic Security Counterparty":** An entity required to make payments on a Synthetic Security to the extent that a Reference Obligor makes payments on a related Reference Obligation.

**"Synthetic Security Counterparty Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.5.

**"Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction"**: One of the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the Netherlands Antilles or the tax advantaged jurisdiction of the Channel Islands, or such other jurisdiction that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto.

**"Tax Event"**: An event that occurs if either:

(i) (A) one or more Collateral Obligations that were not subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them have become subject to withholding tax ("**New Withholding Tax Obligations**") or the rate of withholding has increased on one or more Collateral Obligations that were subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them ("**Increased Rate Withholding Tax Obligations**") and (B) in any Due Period, the aggregate of the payments subject to withholding tax on New Withholding Tax Obligations and the increase in payments subject to withholding tax on Increased Rate Withholding Tax Obligations, in each case to the extent not "grossed-up" (on an after-tax basis) by the related obligor, represent 5% or more of Interest Proceeds for the Due Period; or

(ii) taxes, fees, assessments, or other similar charges are imposed on the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in an aggregate amount in any twelve-month period in excess of U.S.\$2,000,000, other than any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax with respect to any payment owing in respect of any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation or Collateral Obligation.

**"Transaction Reports"**: The meaning specified in Section 14.4.

**"Transfer Agent"**: The person or persons, which may be the Issuer, authorized by the Issuer to exchange or register the transfer of Securities.

**"Transferee Certificate"**: A certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B-1 attached hereto or Exhibit B-4, duly completed as appropriate.

**"Treasury Regulations"**: The regulations, including proposed or temporary regulations, promulgated under the Code. References herein to specific provisions of proposed or temporary regulations shall include analogous provisions of final Treasury Regulations or other successor Treasury Regulations.

**"Trust Officer"**: When used with respect to the Trustee, any officer in the Corporate Trust Office (or any successor group of the Trustee) including any director, vice president, assistant vice president, associate, or any other officer of the Trustee customarily performing functions similar to those performed by such officers in the Corporate Trust Office, or to whom any corporate trust matter is referred at the Corporate Trust Office because of his knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject and having direct responsibility for the administration of this Indenture.

**"Trustee"**: As defined in the first sentence of this Indenture.

**"UCC"**: The Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the State of New York, and as amended from time to time.

**"Uncertificated Security"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(18) of the UCC.

**"Underlying Instrument"**: The loan agreement, indenture, credit agreement, or other agreement pursuant to which a Pledged Obligation has been issued or created and each other agreement that governs the terms of or secures the obligations represented by the Pledged Obligation or of which the holders of the Pledged Obligation are the beneficiaries.

**"Unregistered Securities"**: The meaning specified in Section 5.17(c).

**"Unscheduled Principal Payments"**: Any principal payments received with respect to a Collateral Obligation as a result of optional redemptions, exchange offers, tender offers, other payments or prepayments made at the option of the issuer thereof or that are otherwise not scheduled to be made thereunder.

**"U.S. Person"**: A beneficial owner of a Security that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a citizen or individual resident of the United States of America, an entity treated for United States federal income tax purposes as a corporation or a partnership created or organized in or under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof or the District of Columbia, an estate the income of which is includable in gross income for U.S. federal income tax purposes regardless of its source, or a trust if, in general, a court within the United States of America is able to exercise primary supervision over its administration and one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of such trust, and certain eligible trusts that have elected to be treated as United States persons.

**"Valuation Report"**: The meaning specified in Section 10.6(b).

**"Warehouse Agreement"**: The Master Warehousing and Participation Agreement, dated as of March 24, 2005, among MMP-5 Funding, LLC, as the Participant and Warehouse Provider, the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and IXIS Financial Products Inc., as the Initial TRS Provider, as amended.

**"Warehoused Loans"**: Loans acquired by the Issuer before the Closing Date pursuant to the Warehouse Agreement.

**"Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon"**: As of any Measurement Date, the rate obtained by

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Fixed Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum rate at which it pays interest (other than, with respect to Collateral Obligations that are not PIK Securities, any interest that is not required to be paid in Cash and may be deferred), using only the effective after-tax interest rate determined by the Portfolio Manager on any Fixed Rate Obligation after taking into account any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction and any gross-up paid by the obligor),

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i),

(iii) dividing the sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations that are Fixed Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date, and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, adding to the sum the amount of any Spread Excess as of the Measurement Date, but only to the extent required to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test.

**"Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test":** A test that is satisfied if, as of any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 8.0%.

**"Weighted Average Life":** As of any Measurement Date, the number obtained by

- (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying
  - (A) the Average Life at that time of each Collateral Obligation by
  - (B) the Principal Balance at that time of the Collateral Obligation and
- (ii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance at that time of all Collateral Obligations.

**"Weighted Average Life Test":** A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the greater of (a) the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and August 1, 2014 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date and (b) 3.0 years.

**"Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor":** The summation of the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation (excluding Eligible Investments) by its respective Moody's Rating Factor, dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) and rounding the result up to the nearest whole number.

**"Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 44.5%.

**"Weighted Average Rating Factor Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of such Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor.

**"Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 51.7%.

**"Weighted Average Spread":** As of any Measurement Date, a rate obtained by:

- (i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Floating Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum overall rate at which it pays interest (other than, with respect to Collateral Obligations that are not PIK Securities, any interest that is not required to be paid in Cash and may be deferred), determined with respect to any Floating Rate Obligation that does not bear interest based on a three month London interbank offered rate, by expressing the current interest rate on the Floating Rate Obligation as a spread above a three month London interbank offered rate calculated in a manner consistent with the calculation of LIBOR,
- (ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i),

(iii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date, and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to pass the Weighted Average Spread Test, adding to that sum the amount of Fixed Rate Excess as of the Measurement Date.

For purposes of calculating the Weighted Average Spread, the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall not include any of its unfunded amount.

**"Weighted Average Spread Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread.

**"Workout Assets":** A Loan, High-Yield Bond, or Qualified Equity Security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation that the Issuer does not advance any funds to purchase that does not qualify as a Collateral Obligation.

**"Written-Down Obligation":** As of any date of determination, any Structured Finance Obligation as to which the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, has been notified by the issuer of the Structured Finance Obligation that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Structured Finance Obligation and all other Structured Finance Obligations secured by the same pool of collateral that rank *pari passu* with or senior in priority of payment to the Structured Finance Obligation exceeds the aggregate principal balance (including reserved interest or other amounts available for overcollateralization) of all collateral securing the Structured Finance Obligation and such other *pari passu* and senior Structured Finance Obligations (excluding defaulted collateral).

**"Zero-Coupon Security":** A security that, at the time of determination, does not make periodic payments of interest. A Zero-Coupon Security shall not include a security that is a PIK Security.

## Section 1.2. ***Assumptions as to Pledged Obligations; Construction Conventions.***

This Section 1.2 shall be applied in connection with all calculations required to be made pursuant to this Indenture:

- with respect to the scheduled payment of principal or interest on any Pledged Obligation, or any payments on any other assets included in the Collateral,
- with respect to the sale of and reinvestment in Collateral Obligations,
- with respect to the income that can be earned on the scheduled payment of principal or interest on the Pledged Obligations and on any other amounts that may be received for deposit in the Collection Account, and
- with respect to the treatment of Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement.

The provisions of this Section 1.2 shall be applicable to any determination or calculation that is covered by this Section 1.2, whether or not reference is specifically made to Section 1.2, unless some other method of calculation or determination is expressly specified in the particular provision.

(a) All calculations with respect to the scheduled payment of principal or interest on the Pledged Obligations shall be made on the basis of information as to the terms of each Pledged Obligation and on reports of payments received on the Pledged Obligation that are furnished by or on behalf of the issuer of the Pledged Obligation and, to the extent they are not manifestly in error, the information or report may be conclusively relied on in making the calculations.

(b) For each Due Period and as of any Measurement Date, the scheduled payment of principal or interest on any Pledged Obligation shall be the sum of

(i) the total amount of payments and collections reasonably expected to be received during the Due Period in respect of the Pledged Obligation that, if paid as scheduled, will be available for payment on the Notes and of certain expenses of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer in the Collection Account at the end of the Due Period; and

(ii) any such amounts received in prior Due Periods that were not disbursed on a previous Payment Date.

Except as provided in paragraph (h) below, a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation shall be assumed to have a scheduled payment of principal and interest of zero.

The total amount of payments and collections reasonably expected to be received includes the proceeds of the sale of the Pledged Obligation received and, in the case of sales which have not yet settled, to be received during the Due Period and not reinvested in additional Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty, Securities Lending Counterparty, or Hedge Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security, Securities Lending Agreement, or Hedge Agreement) or Eligible Investments or retained in the Collection Account for subsequent reinvestment pursuant to Section 12.2.

(c) For purposes of the applicable determinations required by Article 12 and the definition of "Interest Coverage Ratio," the expected interest on Collateral Obligations shall be calculated using their then current interest rates.

(d) With respect to any Collateral Obligation, the date on which it "matures" (or its "maturity" date) shall be the earlier of

(i) the stated maturity of the obligation or

(ii) if the Issuer has the right to require the issuer or obligor of the Collateral Obligation to purchase, redeem, or retire the Collateral Obligation at a price of at least par on any one or more dates before its Stated Maturity (a "put right") and the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that it will cause the Issuer to direct the Trustee to exercise the put right on a date, the maturity date shall be the date specified in the certification.

(e) For purposes of calculating compliance with the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), the Coverage Tests, and the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the Reference Obligation. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limits other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral

Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligations.

(f) Any Collateral Obligation loaned to a Securities Lending Counterparty shall be included in the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests, and the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test and the Principal Balance of any Collateral Obligation loaned to a Securities Lending Counterparty shall be included in the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations, in each case unless an "event of default" (under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing.

(g) If a Class of Notes ceases to be Outstanding, then any Coverage Test computed by reference to the Class of Notes (but not to any subordinate Class of Notes then Outstanding) shall cease to be of any force.

(h) For purposes of calculating compliance with the Eligibility Criteria (other than the Weighted Average Life Test), at the direction of the Portfolio Manager by notice to the Trustee, during the Reinvestment Period any Eligible Investment representing Principal Proceeds received upon the maturity, redemption, sale, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation (or, after the Reinvestment Period, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations) shall be deemed to have the characteristics of the disposed Collateral Obligation until reinvested in an additional Collateral Obligation. The calculations shall be based on the Principal Balance of the disposed Collateral Obligations except in the case of Defaulted Collateral Obligations and Credit Risk Securities, in which case the calculations will be based on the Principal Proceeds received on the disposition or sale of the Defaulted Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation.

(i) The calculation on any Coverage Test on any Determination Date shall be made by giving effect to all payments to be made pursuant to all subclauses of the Priority of Payments as applicable, payable on the Payment Date following such Determination Date. In addition no Principal Proceeds will be used to pay a subordinated Class on a Payment Date if, after giving effect to such payment, any Coverage Test of a more senior Class of Notes is failing on such Payment Date or would fail as a result of such application of the Principal Proceeds on such Payment Date.

### Section 1.3. ***Rules of Interpretation.***

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture or unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

(a) Defined terms include, as appropriate, all genders and the plural as well as the singular.

(b) References to designated articles, sections, subsections, exhibits, and other subdivisions of this Indenture, such as "Section 6.12 (a)," refer to the designated article, section, subsection, exhibit, or other subdivision of this Indenture as a whole and to all subdivisions of the designated article, section, subsection, exhibit, or other subdivision. The words "herein," "hereof," "hereto," "hereunder," and other words of similar import refer to this Indenture as a whole and not to any particular article, section, exhibit, or other subdivision of this Indenture.

(c) Any term that relates to a document or a statute, rule, or regulation includes any amendments, modifications, supplements, or any other changes that may have occurred since the document, statute, rule, or regulation came into being, including changes that occur after the date of this Indenture. References to law are not limited to statutes. Any reference to any person includes references to its successors and assigns.

(d) Any party may execute any of the requirements under this Indenture either directly or through others, and the right to cause something to be done rather than doing it directly shall be implicit in every requirement under this Indenture. Unless a provision is restricted as to time or limited as to frequency, all provisions under this Indenture are implicitly available and things may happen from time to time.

(e) The term "including" and all its variations mean "including but not limited to." Except when used in conjunction with the word "either," the word "or" is always used inclusively (for example, the phrase "A or B" means "A or B or both," not "either A or B but not both").

(f) A reference to "a thing" or "any of a thing" does not imply the existence or occurrence of the thing referred to even though not followed by "if any," and "any of a thing" is any and all of it. A reference to the plural of anything as to which there could be either one or more than one does not imply the existence of more than one (for instance, the phrase "the obligors on a note" means "the obligor or obligors on a note"). "Until something occurs" does not imply that it must occur, and will not be modified by the word "unless." The word "due" and the word "payable" are each used in the sense that the stated time for payment has passed. The word "accrued" is used in its accounting sense, i.e., an amount paid is no longer accrued. In the calculation of amounts of things, differences and sums may generally result in negative numbers, but when the calculation of the excess of one thing over another results in zero or a negative number, the calculation is disregarded and an "excess" does not exist. Portions of things may be expressed as fractions or percentages interchangeably. The word "shall" is used in its imperative sense, as for instance meaning a party agrees to something or something must occur or exist.

(g) All accounting terms used in an accounting context and not otherwise defined, and accounting terms partly defined in this Indenture, to the extent not completely defined, shall be construed in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. To the extent that the definitions of accounting terms in this Indenture are inconsistent with their meanings under generally accepted accounting principles, the definitions contained in this Indenture shall control.

(h) In the computation of a period of time from a specified date to a later specified date or an open-ended period, the words "from" and "beginning" mean "from and including," the word "after" means "from but excluding," the words "to" and "until" mean "to but excluding," and the word "through" means "to and including." Likewise, in setting deadlines or other periods, "by" means "on or before." The words "preceding," "following," "before," "after," "next," and words of similar import, mean immediately preceding or following. References to a month or a year refer to calendar months and calendar years.

(i) Any reference to the enforceability of any agreement against a party means that it is enforceable against the party in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, and other similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles.

(j) Except when only the registered holder is recognized, such as in Section 2.9., references to Noteholders, holders, and the like refer equally to beneficial owners who have an interest in a Note but are not reflected in the Indenture Register as the owner.



## ARTICLE 2

## THE NOTES AND THE COMPOSITE SECURITIES

Section 2.1. *Forms Generally.*

The Notes, the Composite Securities and the Trustee's or Authenticating Agent's certificate of authentication on them (the "***Certificate of Authentication***") shall be in substantially the forms required by this Article, with appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions, and other variations required or permitted by this Indenture, and may have any letters, numbers, or other marks of identification and any legends or endorsements on them that are consistent with this Indenture, as determined by the Authorized Officers of the Issuer executing the Securities as evidenced by their execution of the Securities.

Section 2.2. *Forms of Securities and Certificate of Authentication.*

(a) The Securities, including the Certificated Composite Securities, Regulation S Global Securities, Rule 144A Global Notes and Certificate of Authentication, shall be in the forms of the applicable portion of Exhibit A.

(b) *Regulation S Global Securities.* The Notes of each Class and the Composite Securities sold to non-U.S. persons in off-shore transactions in reliance on Regulation S shall each be represented by one or more global securities in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit A, including legends (the "***Regulation S Global Securities***"). The global securities shall be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for the Securities represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, the Depository for the respective accounts of Euroclear and Clearstream, duly executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided. The aggregate principal amount of the Regulation S Global Securities may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee or the Depository or its nominee, as the case may be, as hereinafter provided. As used above and in subsection (d) below, "U.S. person" and "off-shore transaction" have the meanings assigned to them in Regulation S.

(c) *Rule 144A Global Notes.* The Notes of each Class initially sold to U.S. persons that are Accredited Investors and Qualified Purchasers shall each be issued initially in the form of one permanent global note per Class in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit A, including legends (each, a "***Rule 144A Global Note***"), which shall be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for the Notes represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, the Depository, duly executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided. The aggregate principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Notes may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee or the Depository or its nominee, as the case may be, as hereinafter provided.

(d) *Certificated Composite Securities.* The Composite Securities initially sold to U.S. persons that are Accredited Investors and (i) Qualified Purchasers, (ii) Knowledgeable Employees or (iii) entities owned exclusively by Knowledgeable Employees shall be issued in the form of certificated securities in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit A (each, a "***Certificated Composite Security***"), which shall be registered in the name of their beneficial owner or a nominee of their beneficial owner, duly executed by the Issuer and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided.

(e) *Book-Entry Provisions.* This Section 2.2(e) shall apply only to Global Securities deposited with or on behalf of the Depository. The "Operating Procedures of the Euroclear System" of Euroclear and the "Terms and Conditions Governing Use of Participants" of Clearstream, respectively, shall be applicable to the Regulation S Global Securities insofar as interests in the Global Securities are held by the Agent Members of Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be.

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

### Section 2.3. *Authorized Amount; Denominations.*

(a) The aggregate principal amount of Notes that may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture is limited to U.S.\$630,000,000, except for Notes authenticated and delivered upon registration of, transfer of, or in exchange for, or in lieu of, other Notes pursuant to Section 2.6, 2.7, or 8.5.

(b) The aggregate principal amount of Composite Securities that may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture is limited to U.S.\$15,000,000, except for Composite Securities authenticated and delivered upon registration of, transfer of, or in exchange for, or in lieu of, other Composite Securities pursuant to Section 2.6, 2.7, or 8.5.

The Securities shall be divided into the following Classes, having the designations, original principal amounts and other characteristics as follows:

Class	A	B	C <sup>1</sup>	D-1	D-2 <sup>2</sup>	Class 1 Composite Securities <sup>3</sup>	Class 2 Composite Securities <sup>4</sup>
Original Principal Amount	U.S.\$521,500,000	U.S.\$35,000,000	U.S.\$35,000,000	U.S.\$33,500,000	U.S.\$5,000,000	U.S.\$10,000,000 <sup>5</sup>	U.S.\$5,000,000 <sup>6</sup>
Interest Rate	LIBOR + 0.27%	LIBOR + 0.58%	LIBOR + 0.90%	LIBOR + 1.95%	6.2815%	2.0% <sup>7</sup>	0.25% <sup>7</sup>
Initial Rating (Moody's/S&P)	Aaa/AAA	Aa2/AA	A2/A	Baa2/BBB	Baa2/BBB	Baa3/N/A <sup>8</sup>	A2/N/A <sup>9</sup>

1 The initial principal amount of the Class C Notes includes the Class C Component of the Class 2 Composite Securities.

2 The initial principal amount of the Class D-2 Notes includes the Class D-2 Component of the Class 1 Composite Securities.

3 The Class 1 Composite Securities shall consist of the Preference Share Component and the Class D-2 Component.

4 The Class 2 Composite Securities shall consist of the Preference Share Component and the Class C Component.

5 The amount of the Class 1 Composite Securities shown includes the Preference Share Component comprised of 5,000 Preference Shares.

6 The amount of the Class 2 Composite Securities shown includes the Preference Share Component comprised of 1,000 Preference Shares.

7 In the event that the Class 1 Composite Securities Principal Balance is reduced to \$1,000 or the Class 2 Composite Securities Rated Balance is reduced to zero, Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities or the Holders of the Class 2 Composite Securities, as the case may be, will continue to receive payments in accordance with the Priority of Payments to the extent allocated to their related Components, and such payments will be classified as "excess distributions."

- 8 The Class 1 Composite Securities are rated only as to the ultimate payment of their Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance. The Class 1 Composite Securities will not be rated as to the payment of the Class 1 Composite Security Stated Coupon.
- 9 The Class 2 Composite Securities are rated as to the ultimate payment of their Class 2 Composite Rated Balance and the Class 2 Composite Security Rated Coupon.

(c) The Class 1 Composite Securities have 2 Components, the Preference Share Component and the Class D-2 Component. At issuance U.S.\$10,000,000 original principal amount of Class 1 Composite Securities represents a Preference Share Component equal to 5,000 Preference Shares combined with the Class D-2 Component equal to an initial principal amount of \$5,000,000 Class D-2 Notes.

(d) The Class 2 Composite Securities have 2 Components, the Preference Share Component and the Class C Component. At issuance U.S.\$5,000,000 original principal amount of Class 2 Composite Securities represents a Preference Share Component equal to 1,000 Preference Shares combined with the Class C Component equal to an initial principal amount of \$4,000,000 Class C Notes.

(e) The Notes will be issuable in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000, and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess of that amount and the Composite Securities will be issuable in minimum denominations of U.S. \$100,000 and integral multiples of \$10,000 in excess of that amount.

(f) The Issuer will also issue 70,000 Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, simultaneously with the issuance of the Notes and Composite Securities under this Indenture. The Preference Shares are not secured by the lien of this Indenture. Any payments made by the Trustee hereunder with respect to the Preference Shares will be released by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in accordance with the Priority of Payments for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment (subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands) to Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends or redemption price, as applicable.

#### Section 2.4. ***Extension of Reinvestment Period and Stated Maturity.***

(a) The Issuer, if directed by the Portfolio Manager, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Reinvestment Period to the applicable Extended Reinvestment Period End Date up to a maximum of four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date in accordance with this Section 2.4 and (ii) the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.4(c) are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Reinvestment Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Securities shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Securities or Preference Shares or amendment or supplement to this Indenture or the Preference Share Documents (the "***Maturity Extension***"); provided that the Issuer will not be permitted to effect more than four Maturity Extensions.

(b) In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares wishing to sell such Securities or Preference Shares to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to Section 2.4(d) (such Securities as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, "***Extension Sale Securities***"). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, each Holder providing an Extension Sale Notice shall be deemed to agree that

no Extension Sale Securities of any Holder shall be purchased unless all Extension Sale Securities of all Holders are purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date and the other Extension Conditions are satisfied as of such date.

(c) The Maturity Extension shall be effective only if the following conditions (the "**Extension Conditions**") are satisfied:

(i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the applicable Extension Effective Date;

(ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions in this Indenture and the Preference Share Documents immediately after such purchase and the legends on such Securities or Preference Shares and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency);

(iii) (a) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to S&P (so long as any Notes are then rated by S&P) and (b) either (i) all Coverage Tests and the Selected Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied as of the related Extension Determination Date, the rating of each Class of Securities by Moody's has not been downgraded, withdrawn or qualified from that in effect on the Closing Date (unless it subsequently has been reinstated to the rating assigned on the Closing Date) and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$678,000,000 or (ii) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to Moody's (so long as any Securities are then rated by Moody's); and

(iv) the Issuer has not effected more than three prior Extensions.

The Issuer, the Trustee and, by its acceptance of the Securities or Preference Shares, each Holder of Securities or Preference Shares agrees that the Placement Agents shall not be responsible for causing the Extension Conditions to be satisfied and shall not be liable to any such person or Holder of Securities or Preference Shares (whether or not such Holder gave an Extension Sale Notice with respect to its Securities or Preference Shares) or to any other person if the Extension Conditions are not satisfied. Failure of the Extension Conditions to be satisfied shall not constitute a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture.

(d) Extension Procedure.

(i) No later than three Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Issuer of its election to extend the Reinvestment Period (the "**Extension Notice**"), the Trustee shall mail the Extension Notice to all Holders of Securities and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Securities are Outstanding), in the form of Exhibit J, and shall request the Rating Condition for the Maturity Extension from S&P, if applicable;

(ii) Any Holder of Securities or Preference Shares may give irrevocable notice (an "**Extension Sale Notice**") within 30 days after the Trustee has mailed the Extension Notice (the "**Extension Sale Notice Period**") of its intention to sell its Securities or Preference Shares to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of

Securities or Preference Shares that has not given such an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be entitled to sell its Securities or Preference Shares to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension; and

(iii) If clause (iii)(b)(i) of the Extension Conditions is not satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date as determined by the Issuer (or its agent), the Trustee shall request the Rating Condition to be satisfied with respect to Moody's.

(e) On the applicable Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or its agent) shall confirm (i) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Securities or Preference Shares in compliance with all transfer restrictions in this Indenture and the legends on such Securities or Preference Shares and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (ii) whether the requirements of clause (c)(iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date and (iii) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

(f) On each Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension shall automatically become effective under the terms of this Indenture; provided that all Extension Conditions set forth in clauses (a) and (c) above are satisfied. No later than two Business Days after each Extension Effective Date, the Trustee based on a determination made by the Issuer in consultation with the Portfolio Manager, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail a notice to all Holders of Securities, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agents, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Securities are Outstanding) and the Irish Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class of Securities is listed thereon) confirming whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension became effective, the Issuer shall make any required notifications thereof to the Depository for any Securities or Preference Shares subject to the Maturity Extension.

(g) In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Holder of Notes (including each Holder of Composite Securities with respect to the Note Components) other than Extension Sale Securities shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment. Holders of Preference Shares (including Holders of Composite Securities with respect to the Preference Share Components) shall not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

The Extension Bonus Payment shall be payable to any applicable qualifying beneficial owners who have provided the Trustee with an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification on the first Payment Date from and including each Extension Effective Date on which funds are available to be used for such purposes in accordance with Priority of Payments, but in any event, no later than the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption of the Notes. Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments on a Payment Date shall not be considered "due and payable" hereunder. The failure to pay any such Extension Bonus Payment on such date shall not be an Event of Default, unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Securities. Unpaid Extension Bonus Payments shall not accrue interest. Such amounts shall be paid, in the case of the Notes, to the accounts designated in the applicable Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification or, to the extent otherwise required by the rules of any applicable securities exchange or clearing agency, in a manner determined by the Issuer.

Section 2.5. ***Execution, Authentication, Delivery, and Dating.***

The Securities shall be executed on behalf of each of the Applicable Issuers by one of their respective Authorized Officers. The signature of the Authorized Officer on the Securities may be manual or facsimile.

Securities bearing the manual or facsimile signatures of individuals who were at any time the Authorized Officers of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, shall bind the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, notwithstanding that any of them have ceased to hold their offices before the authentication and delivery of the Securities or did not hold their offices at the date of issuance of the Securities.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Indenture, the Issuer and the Co-Issuer may deliver Securities executed by the Applicable Issuers to the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent for authentication and the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent, upon Issuer Order, shall authenticate and deliver the Securities as provided in this Indenture and not otherwise.

Each Security authenticated and delivered by the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent upon Issuer Order on the Closing Date shall be dated as of the Closing Date. All other Securities that are authenticated after the Closing Date for any other purpose under this Indenture shall be dated the date of their authentication.

Securities issued upon transfer, exchange, or replacement of other Securities shall be issued in authorized denominations reflecting the original Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities so transferred, exchanged, or replaced, but shall represent only the current outstanding principal amount of the Securities so transferred, exchanged, or replaced. If any Security is divided into more than one Security in accordance with this Article 2, the original principal amount of the Security shall be proportionately divided among the Securities delivered in exchange for it and shall be the original aggregate principal amount of the subsequently issued Securities.

No Security shall be entitled to any benefit under this Indenture or be valid or obligatory for any purpose, unless there appears on the Security a Certificate of Authentication executed by the Trustee or by the Authenticating Agent by the manual signature of one of their Authorized Officers, and that certificate on any Security shall be conclusive evidence, and the only evidence, that the Security has been duly authenticated and delivered under this Indenture.

Section 2.6. ***Registration, Registration of Transfer and Exchange.***

(a) The Issuer shall cause a register (the "***Indenture Register***") to be kept in which the Issuer shall provide for the registration of Securities and the registration of transfers of Securities. The Trustee is hereby initially appointed "***Indenture Registrar***" for the purpose of registering Securities and transfers of the Securities as provided in this Indenture. The Issuer may rely conclusively on any such information provided to it by the Trustee. Upon any resignation or removal of the Indenture Registrar, the Issuer shall promptly appoint a successor and notify the Portfolio Manager of the appointment or, in the absence of such appointment, assume the duties of Indenture Registrar. The Issuer shall cause the Composite Securities (including the Class C Component and the Class D-2 Component) to be registered and recorded in the Indenture Register and, with respect to the Preference Share Component, in the Preference Share register.

If the Issuer appoints a person other than the Trustee to be Indenture Registrar, the Issuer will give the Trustee prompt written notice of the appointment of the Indenture Registrar and of the location, and any change in the location, of the Indenture Register. The Trustee may inspect the Indenture Register at all reasonable times and obtain copies of it. The Trustee may rely on a

certificate executed on behalf of the Indenture Registrar by an Officer of the Indenture Registrar as to the names and addresses of the Holders of the Securities and the principal amounts and number of the Securities.

Upon surrender for registration of transfer of any Securities at the office or agency of the Co-Issuers to be maintained pursuant to Section 7.2, if the requirements of this Indenture are met the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in the name of the designated transferees, new Securities of any authorized denomination and of a like original Aggregate Outstanding Amount.

At the option of their holder, Securities may be exchanged for Securities of like terms, in any authorized denominations and of like aggregate principal amount, upon surrender of the Securities to be exchanged at the office or agency of the Co-Issuers to be maintained pursuant to Section 7.2. Whenever any Security is surrendered for exchange, the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, the Securities that the Noteholder or Composite Securityholder making the exchange is entitled to receive.

All Securities issued on any registration of transfer or exchange of Securities shall be the valid obligations of the Applicable Issuers evidencing the same obligations (in the case of the Notes (including the Note Components)), and entitled to the same benefits under this Indenture or, as applicable, the Preference Share Documents, as the Securities surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

Every Security presented or surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange shall be duly endorsed, or be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Indenture Registrar duly executed by its holder or his attorney duly authorized in writing.

No Holder shall incur a service charge for any registration of transfer or exchange of the Securities, but the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

(b) No Security may be sold or transferred (including by pledge or hypothecation) unless the sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, is exempt from the registration requirements under applicable state securities laws, and will not cause either of the Co-Issuers to become subject to the requirement that it register as an investment company under the 1940 Act. None of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, or any other person shall have any obligation to register the Securities under the Securities Act or any state securities laws.

(c) No Security or interest therein may be transferred to any purchaser or transferee unless such purchase, holding and disposition of such Security will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any federal, state, foreign or local law that is substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code).

(d) None of the Trustee, the Share Registrar or the Indenture Registrar shall be responsible for ascertaining whether any transfer complies with, or for otherwise monitoring or determining compliance with, the requirements or terms of the Securities Act, applicable state securities laws, ERISA, the Code or the 1940 Act; except that if a certificate or any other document is specifically required by this Section 2.6 to be provided to the Trustee by a prospective transferee, the Trustee shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine whether it conforms substantially on its face to the applicable requirements of this Section 2.6.

(e) For so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding, the Issuer shall not issue or register the transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares to U.S. persons and the Co-Issuer shall not issue or register the transfer of any of its shares of the Co-Issuer to U.S. persons. As used in this subsection (e), "U.S. person" has the meaning assigned to it in Regulation S.

(f) So long as a Global Security remains Outstanding and is held by or on behalf of the Depository, transfers of the Global Security, in whole or in part, shall only be made in accordance with Section 2.2(c), Section 2.6(c) and this Section 2.6(f).

(i) Subject to clauses (ii), (iii), and (iv) of this Section 2.6(f), transfers of a Global Security shall be limited to transfers of the Global Security in whole, but not in part, to nominees of the Depository.

(ii) *Rule 144A Global Note to Regulation S Global Note.* If a Holder of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note deposited with the Depository wishes at any time to exchange its interest in the Rule 144A Global Note for an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note, or to transfer its interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to a person who wishes to take delivery of it in the form of an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note, the Holder may exchange or transfer the interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note (subject to the rules and procedures of the Depository) if the Holder after the exchange or transfer is not a U.S. person.

The Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository to reduce the principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Note and to increase the principal amount of the Regulation S Global Note by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to be exchanged, and to credit to the securities account of the person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note equal to the reduction in the principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Note upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of

(A) instructions given in accordance with the Depository's procedures from an Agent Member directing the Indenture Registrar to credit a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to the Holder's Notes, equal to the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to be exchanged or transferred,

(B) a written order given in accordance with the Depository's procedures containing information regarding the participant account of the Depository and the Euroclear or Clearstream account to be credited with the increase,

(C) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-3 given by the Holder of the beneficial interest stating that the exchange or transfer of the interest has been made in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Global Securities, including that the Holder or the transferee, as applicable, is not a U.S. person, and that the transfer has been made pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S, and

(D) in the case of a transfer, a certificate in the applicable form of Exhibit B-1 given by the proposed transferee stating that it is not a U.S. person.



(iii) *Regulation S Global Note to Rule 144A Global Note.* If a Holder of a Note held as a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note deposited with the Depository wishes at any time to exchange its interest in the Regulation S Global Note for an interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note or to transfer its interest in the Regulation S Global Note to a person who wishes to take delivery of it in the form of an interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note, the Holder may, subject to the rules and procedures of Euroclear, Clearstream, or the Depository, as the case may be, exchange or transfer, or cause the exchange or transfer of, the interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note. Upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of:

(A) instructions from Euroclear, Clearstream, or the Depository, as the case may be, directing the Indenture Registrar to cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note equal to the beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Note, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to the Holder's Notes, to be exchanged or transferred, the instructions to contain information regarding the participant account with the Depository to be credited with the increase,

(B) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-2 given by the Holder of the beneficial interest and stating that, in the case of an exchange, the Holder is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser or, in the case of a transfer, the person transferring the interest in the Regulation S Global Note reasonably believes that the person acquiring the interest in a Rule 144A Global Note is a Qualified Institutional Buyer, is obtaining the beneficial interest in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction, and a Qualified Purchaser, and

(C) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-1 given by the proposed transferee stating that it is a QIB/QP,

the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository to reduce the Regulation S Global Note by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Note to be transferred or exchanged and the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository, concurrently with the reduction, to credit to the securities account of the person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note equal to the reduction in the principal amount of the Regulation S Global Note.

(iv) *Regulation S Global Composite Security to Certificated Composite Security.* If a Holder of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Composite Security wishes at any time to transfer its interest in such Global Security to a person who wishes to take delivery of it in the form of a Certificated Composite Security of the same Class, the Holder may, subject to the rules and procedures of Euroclear, Clearstream, or the Depository, as the case may be, transfer the interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in one or more Certificated Composite Securities of the same Class as described below. Upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of:

(A) instructions given in accordance with the Depository's procedures from an Agent Member, or instructions from Euroclear, Clearstream, or the Depository, as the case may be, directing the Trustee to deliver one or more Certificated Composite Securities of the same Class, designating the registered name or names, address, payment instructions, the

Class, and the number and principal amounts of the Certificated Composite Securities to be executed and delivered (the Class and the aggregate principal amounts of the Certificated Composite Securities being equal to the aggregate principal amount of such Global Security to be transferred), in authorized denominations,

(B) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-6 given by the Holder of the beneficial interest and stating that the person transferring the interest in the Global Security reasonably believes that the person acquiring the interest in a Certificated Composite Security is either a Qualified Institutional Buyer or an Accredited Investor, is obtaining the beneficial interest in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A or in a transaction not requiring registration under the Securities Act and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction, and is also either (i) a Qualified Purchaser, (ii) a Knowledgeable Employee or (iii) an entity owned exclusively by Knowledgeable Employees, and

(C) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-4 given by the transferee of the beneficial interest stating that it is both (x) either a Qualified Institutional Buyer or an Accredited Investor and (y) either (i) a Qualified Purchaser, (ii) Knowledgeable Employee or (iii) an entity owned exclusively by Knowledgeable Employees, and certifying to the other matters addressed in the form of such certificate,

the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository to reduce the applicable Global Security by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Global Security to be transferred and the Indenture Registrar shall record the transfer in the Indenture Register in accordance with Section 2.6(a) and authenticate and deliver one or more Certificated Composite Securities of the appropriate Class registered in the names specified in the certificate described in clause (B) above in principal amounts designated by the transferee (the aggregate of the amounts being equal to the beneficial interest in the Global Securities to be transferred) and in the minimum denominations and integral multiples in excess thereof as specified in Section 2.3.

If a Holder of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Composite Security wishes at any time to exchange the interest in such Global Security for one or more Certificated Composite Securities of the same Class, the Holder may exchange the interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in one or more Certificated Composite Securities of the same Class as provided below. Upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of

(A) instructions given in accordance with the Depository's procedures from an Agent Member, or instructions from Euroclear, Clearstream, or the Depository, as the case may be, directing the Trustee to deliver one or more Certificated Composite Securities and

(B) written instructions from the Holder designating the registered name, address, and payment instructions of the Holder and the Class and the face amounts of the Certificated Composite Securities to be executed and delivered to the Holder (the Class and the aggregate face amounts of the

Certificated Composite Securities being the same as the beneficial interest in the Global Security to be exchanged),

the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository to reduce the Global Security by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Global Security to be exchanged, shall record the exchange in the Indenture Register in accordance with Section 2.6(a), and authenticate and deliver one or more Certificated Composite Securities of the appropriate Class registered as specified in the instructions described in clause (A) above, in authorized denominations.

(v) *Other Exchanges.* If a Global Security is exchanged for Securities in definitive registered form without interest coupons pursuant to Section 2.11, the Securities may be exchanged for one another only in accordance with procedures substantially consistent with the provisions above (including certification requirements intended to insure that the transfers are made only to Holders who are QIB/QPs or non-U.S. persons, or otherwise comply with Regulation S, as the case may be), and as may be from time to time adopted by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee.

(g) So long as a Certificated Composite Security remains Outstanding, transfers of a Certificated Composite Security, in whole or in part, shall only be made in accordance with Section 2.6(c) and this Section 2.6(g).

(i) *Certificated Composite Security to Regulation S Global Composite Security.* If a Holder of a Composite Security represented by a Certificated Composite Security wishes at any time to exchange the Certificated Composite Security for an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Composite Security, or to transfer the Certificated Composite Security to a person who wishes to take delivery of it in the form of an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Composite Security, the Holder may exchange or transfer the Security for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Composite Security, if the proposed transferee or the person requesting the exchange, as applicable, is not a U.S. person. Upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of:

(A) the Certificated Composite Security properly endorsed for the transfer, and written instructions from the Holder directing the Indenture Registrar to cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Composite Security of the same Class equal to the principal amount of the Certificated Composite Security,

(B) a written order containing information regarding the Euroclear or Clearstream account to be credited with the increase,

(C) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-5, given by the Holder of the Certificated Composite Security stating that the exchange or transfer of the interest has been made in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Regulation S Global Composite Security, including that the proposed transferee or the person requesting the exchange, as the case may be, is not a U.S. person and that the proposed transfer is being made pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S, and

(D) in the case of a transfer, a certificate in the appropriate form of Exhibit B-4 given by the proposed transferee stating that it is not a U.S. person,

the Indenture Registrar shall cancel the Certificated Composite Security in accordance with Section 2.10, record the transfer in the Indenture Register in accordance with Section 2.6(a), and instruct the Depository to increase the principal amount of Regulation S Global Composite Security by the aggregate principal amount of the Certificated Composite Security to be exchanged or transferred, and to credit to the account of the person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Composite Security of the same Class equal to the amount specified in the instructions received pursuant to clause (A) above.

(ii) *Certificated Composite Security to Certificated Composite Security.* If a Holder of a Certificated Composite Security wishes at any time to transfer the Certificated Composite Security to a person who wishes to take delivery of it in the form of one or more Certificated Composite Securities of the same Class, the Holder may transfer the Security as provided below. Upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of

(A) the Holder's Certificated Composite Security properly endorsed for the transfer, and

(B) a certificate in the applicable form of Exhibit B-4 given by the transferee of the Certificated Composite Security,

the Indenture Registrar shall cancel the Certificated Composite Security in accordance with Section 2.10, record the transfer in the Indenture Register in accordance with Section 2.6(a), and upon execution by the Applicable Issuers authenticate and deliver one or more Certificated Composite Securities bearing the same designation as the Certificated Composite Securities endorsed for transfer, registered in the names specified in the assignment described in clause (A) above, in principal amounts designated by the transferee (the aggregate of the principal amounts being equal to the aggregate principal amount of the Certificated Composite Securities surrendered by the transferor), and in authorized denominations.

(iii) *Exchange of Certificated Composite Securities.* If a Holder of one or more Certificated Composite Securities wishes at any time to exchange the Certificated Composite Securities for one or more Certificated Composite Securities of the same Class of different face amounts, the Holder may exchange the Certificated Composite Security for Certificated Composite Securities bearing the same designation as the Certificated Composite Securities endorsed for exchange as provided below. Upon receipt by the Applicable Issuers and the Indenture Registrar of (A) the Holder's Certificated Composite Securities properly endorsed for the exchange and (B) written instructions from the Holder designating the face amounts of the Certificated Composite Securities to be issued (the aggregate of the face amounts being equal to the aggregate face amount of the Certificated Composite Securities surrendered for exchange), then the Indenture Registrar shall cancel the Certificated Composite Securities in accordance with Section 2.10, record the exchange in the Indenture Register in accordance with Section 2.6(a), and upon execution by the Applicable Issuers authenticate and deliver one or more Certificated Composite Securities bearing the same designation as the Certificated Composite Securities endorsed for exchange,

registered in the same names as the Certificated Composite Securities surrendered by the Holder, in different face amounts designated by the Holder, and in authorized denominations.

(h) Exchange of Composite Securities for Underlying Components. A Holder of a beneficial interest in a Composite Security may exchange all or a proportionate amount of each Component of such interest for proportional interests in the Class D-2 Notes and the Preference Shares, in the case of the Class 1 Composite Securities, or Class C Notes and the Preference Shares, in the case of the Class 2 Composite Securities, subject to the minimum denomination requirements and other requirements of this Section 2.6 and in the manner described in (a) this Indenture for exchange for beneficial interests in the Rule 144A Global Notes or Regulation S Global Securities (in the case of the Note Components) and (b) the Preference Share Documents for exchange for Preference Shares (in the case of the Preference Shares Components). The Trustee, upon receipt of appropriate instructions with respect to a Composite Security, shall simultaneously convert (or shall direct the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Paying Agent, as applicable, to convert) its constituent Components into the Class C Notes, Class D-2 Notes or the Preference Shares represented by such Component, as applicable, and effect such exchange. Thereafter, the Holder of the beneficial interest in a Composite Security so exchanged under this paragraph will be the Holder of the Class D-2 Notes and the Preference Shares, received upon an exchange of the Class 1 Composite Securities, or Class C Notes and the Preference Shares, received upon an exchange of the Class 2 Composite Securities, as the case may be. No Holder of a Class C Note, Class D-2 Note or a Preference Share (including a Holder that received such Class C Note, Class D-2 Note or Preference Share upon an exchange of a Composite Security) will have the right to exchange such Notes or Preference Shares for a Composite Security. No service charge will be made for any such exchange, but the Trustee or the Preference Share Paying Agent may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

(i) If the Securities are issued upon the transfer, exchange, or replacement of Securities bearing the applicable legends in the applicable Exhibit A, and if a request is made to remove the legend on the Securities, the legend shall not be removed unless the Trustee and the Applicable Issuers received satisfactory evidence, which may include an Opinion of Counsel acceptable to them, reasonably required by the Applicable Issuers (and which shall by its terms permit reliance by the Trustee), to the effect that neither the legend nor the restrictions on transfer in it are required to ensure that transfers of the Securities comply with the Securities Act, the 1940 Act, ERISA, and the Code. Upon provision of satisfactory evidence, the Trustee or its Authenticating Agent, at the written direction of the Applicable Issuers shall, after due execution by the Applicable Issuers authenticate and deliver Securities that do not bear the applicable legend.

(j) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Section 2.6 to the contrary:

(i) Restrictions on U.S. Transfers. Transfers of an interest in a Regulation S Global Security that are not made in an offshore transaction pursuant to Regulation S or are made to U.S. Persons, if such transferees take delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note or a Certificated Composite Security, shall be limited to transfers made pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.6(f)(iii) and Section 2.6(f)(iv).

(ii) Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Security may only be held through Euroclear or Clearstream.

(k) Each person who becomes a beneficial owner of a Note or Composite Security evidenced by: (i) an interest in a Certificated Composite Security or Definitive Security, shall make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in the applicable Transferee Certificate set forth in Exhibit B-1 upon such person's purchase or other acquisition of the relevant Certificated Composite Security or Definitive Security and (ii) an interest in a Global Security, shall be deemed to make (or, in the case of a Class 1 Composite Security or Class 2 Composite Security, represented by a Global Security purchased in the Offering of the Securities, will be required to make) the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in the applicable legends of the Securities set forth in Exhibit A hereto and in the applicable Transferee Certificate set forth in Exhibit B-1 (in the case of a Global Security evidencing an interest in Notes) or Exhibit B-4 (in the case of a Global Security evidencing an interest in Composite Securities) hereto upon such person's purchase or other acquisition of the relevant Global Security.

(l) The aggregate principal amount of any Global Security may be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee, as custodian for DTC for the Global Security, which adjustments shall be conclusive as to the aggregate principal amount of any Global Security.

(m) Any purported transfer of a Security not in accordance with this Section 2.6 shall be null and void.

**Section 2.7. *Mutilated, Destroyed, Lost, or Stolen Securities.***

If the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, and the relevant Transfer Agent receive evidence to their satisfaction of the destruction, loss, or theft of any Security, and they receive the security or indemnity they require to hold each of them harmless, or if any mutilated Security is surrendered to a Transfer Agent, then, in the absence of notice to the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, or the Transfer Agent that the Security has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the Applicable Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in exchange for the mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Security, a replacement Security, of like tenor and equal principal or face amount.

If, after delivery of the replacement Security or payment on it, a protected purchaser of the predecessor Security presents it for payment, transfer, or exchange, the Applicable Issuers, the Transfer Agent, and the Trustee may recover the replacement Security (or the payment on it) from the person to whom it was delivered or any person taking the replacement Security from the person to whom the replacement Security was delivered or any assignee of that person, except a protected purchaser, and may recover on the security or indemnity provided therefor to the extent of any loss, damage, cost, or expense incurred by the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, and the Transfer Agent in connection with it.

If the final payment in respect of any mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Security has become payable, the Applicable Issuers in their discretion may, instead of issuing a new Security pay the Security without requiring its surrender except that any mutilated Security shall be surrendered.

Upon the issuance of any new Security under this Section, the Applicable Issuers or the Trustee may require the payment by its holder of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with the issuance and any other expenses (including the fees and expenses of the Trustee) connected with it.

Every new Security issued pursuant to this Section in replacement for any mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Security shall be an original additional contractual obligation (in the case of the Notes and the Note Components) of the Applicable Issuers and the new Security shall be entitled to all the benefits of this Indenture equally and proportionately with all other Securities of the same Class duly issued under this Indenture or the Preference Share Documents, as applicable.

The provisions of this Section are exclusive and shall preclude (to the extent lawful) all other rights with respect to the replacement or payment of mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Securities.

Section 2.8. ***Payment of Principal and Interest and Other Amounts; Principal and Interest Rights Preserved; Withholding.***

(a) The Notes of each Class shall accrue interest during each Interest Period on their Aggregate Outstanding Amount (determined as of the first day of the Interest Period and after giving effect to any redemption or other payment of principal occurring on that day) at the Applicable Note Interest Rate. Interest shall be payable in arrears on each Payment Date. Payment of interest on each Class of Notes shall be subordinated to the payments of interest on the related Priority Classes and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of interest due on the Class of Deferred Interest Notes that is not available to be paid ("***Deferred Interest***") in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered "payable" for the purposes of this Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Interest shall cease to accrue on each Note, or in the case of a partial repayment, on the part repaid, from the date of repayment or its Stated Maturity unless payment of principal is improperly withheld or unless there is some other default with respect to the payments of principal.

To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for the Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest, until paid as provided in this Indenture.

(b) The principal of each Note of each Class matures at par and is payable on the Payment Date that is the Stated Maturity for the Class of Notes, unless the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable at an earlier date by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the payment of principal of each Class of Notes:

(i) may only occur after principal on each Class of Notes that is a Priority Class with respect to the Class has been paid in full; and

(ii) is subordinated to the payment on each Payment Date of the principal and interest payable on the Priority Classes, and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments;

provided that, notwithstanding the foregoing, Interest Proceeds may be used to pay principal of the Class D Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class D Coverage Tests.

(c) Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Section 9.1.

(d) As a condition to the payment of principal of and interest on any Note without the imposition of U.S. withholding tax, the Paying Agent shall require the previous delivery of appropriate properly completed and signed original forms United States federal income tax certifications (generally, an Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a person that is a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code or an appropriate Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a person that is not a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) or any other certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, and any Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments on the Note under any present or future law of the United States or any present or future law of any political subdivision of the United States or taxing authority in the United States or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under any such law.

(e) Payments in respect of interest on and principal of any Note shall be made by the Trustee, or by the Irish Paying Agent, if applicable, in U.S. Dollars to the Depository or its designee with respect to a Global Security and to the Holder or its nominee with respect to a Certificated Composite Security or a Definitive Security, by wire transfer, as directed by the Holder, in immediately available funds to a U.S. Dollar account maintained by the Depository or its nominee with respect to a Global Security, and to the Holder or its designee with respect to a Certificated Composite Security or a Definitive Security, in the case of a Certificated Composite Security or a Definitive Security, its holder has provided written wiring instructions to the Trustee and, if the payment is to be made by the Irish Paying Agent, the Irish Paying Agent, on or before the related Record Date. Payments in respect of any Preference Share payable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in accordance with the Priority of Payments for payments on the Preference Shares in accordance with the Preference Share Documents shall be payable by wire transfer in immediately available funds (or by internal transfer if the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent are the same Person) to the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

If appropriate instructions for the wire transfer are not received by the related Record Date, then the payment will be made by check drawn on a U.S. bank mailed to the address of the Holder in the Indenture Register. Upon final payment due on the Maturity of a Note, its holder shall present and surrender the Note at the office designated by the Trustee on or before the Maturity. If the Trustee and the Applicable Issuers have been furnished the security or indemnity they require to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the certificate, then, in the absence of notice to the Applicable Issuers or the Trustee that the applicable Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender. In the case of Components to be redeemed, the related Composite Securities do not need to be surrendered at the office of any paying agent under this Indenture to receive the applicable Redemption Price. Neither the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Share Registrar nor any Paying Agent shall have any responsibility or liability for any aspects of the records maintained by Euroclear, Clearstream, or any of the Agent Members relating to or for payments made thereby on account of beneficial interests in a Global Security.

In the case where any final payment of principal and interest is to be made on any Note (other than on its Stated Maturity and except as otherwise provided in this Indenture), the Trustee, in the name and at the expense of the Applicable Issuers shall, not more than 30 nor less than 10 days before the date on which the payment is to be made, mail (by first-class mail, postage prepaid) to the persons entitled thereto at their addresses appearing on the Indenture Register, a notice specifying the date on which the payment will be made, the amount of the payment per U.S.\$100,000 original



principal amount of Notes and the place where the Notes may be presented and surrendered for payment. The final payment on any Composite Security shall be made only upon surrender of the certificate for the Composite Security to the Trustee at the office designated by the Trustee. If the Trustee and the Issuer have been furnished any security or indemnity they require to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the certificate, then, in the absence of notice to the Issuer or the Trustee that the applicable certificate has been acquired by a protected purchaser, final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender of the applicable certificate.

(f) Payments of principal to Holders of the Notes (including the Note Components) of each Class shall be made in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes of the Class registered in the name of each Holder on the applicable Record Date bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Notes of the Class on the Record Date.

(g) Interest accrued shall be calculated (i) in the case of the Notes (other than the Fixed Rate Notes) on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in the applicable Interest Period divided by 360 and (ii) in the case of the Fixed Rate Notes on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30 day months.

(h) All reductions in the principal amount of a Security (or one or more predecessor Securities) effected by payments of installments of principal made on any Payment Date or Redemption Date shall be binding on all future Holders of the Security and of any Security issued upon the registration of its transfer, exchange, or replacement, whether or not the payment is noted on the Security.

(i) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the obligations of the Applicable Issuers under the Notes and the Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components) and under this Indenture are limited recourse obligations of the Applicable Issuers payable solely from the Collateral and following realization of the assets, application of their proceeds in accordance with this Indenture and the reduction of the proceeds of the Collateral to zero, all obligations of, and any claims against, the Co-Issuers under this Indenture or under the Securities or arising in connection therewith shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. No recourse shall be had against any Officer, director, employee, shareholder, or incorporator of either of the Co-Issuers or their respective successors or assigns for any amounts payable under the Securities or this Indenture. The foregoing provisions of this paragraph (i) shall not (1) prevent recourse to the Collateral for the sums due or to become due under any security, instrument, or agreement that is part of the Collateral or (2) be a waiver, release, or discharge of any indebtedness or obligation evidenced by the Securities or secured by this Indenture until the Collateral have been realized. The foregoing provisions of this paragraph (i) shall not limit the right of any person to name the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as a party defendant in any Proceeding or in the exercise of any other remedy under the Notes or this Indenture, so long as no judgment in the nature of a deficiency judgment or seeking personal liability is sought or (if obtained) enforced against the person.

(j) If any withholding tax is imposed on the Issuer's payment (or allocations of income) under the Securities to any Noteholder or Composite Securityholder, as applicable, the tax shall reduce the amount otherwise distributable to the Noteholder or Composite Securityholder, as applicable. The Trustee is hereby authorized and directed to retain from amounts otherwise distributable to any Noteholder or Composite Securityholder sufficient funds for the payment of any tax that is legally owed, or required by law to be collected, by or on behalf of the Issuer (but the authorization shall not prevent the Trustee or the Issuer from contesting any such tax in appropriate proceedings and withholding payment of the tax, if permitted by law, pending the outcome of the proceedings). The amount of any withholding tax imposed with respect to any Noteholder or Composite Securityholder shall be treated as Cash distributed to the Noteholder or Composite

Securityholder when it is withheld by the Trustee and remitted to the appropriate taxing authority. If there is a possibility that withholding tax is payable with respect to a distribution, the Trustee may in its sole discretion withhold the amounts in accordance with this Section 2.8(j). If any Noteholder or Composite Securityholder wishes to apply for a refund of any such withholding tax, the Trustee shall reasonably cooperate with the Noteholder or Composite Securityholder in making the claim by providing information readily available to the Trustee so long as the Noteholder or Composite Securityholder agrees to reimburse the Trustee for any out-of-pocket expenses incurred and provides the Trustee with security reasonably acceptable to the Trustee assuring the reimbursement. The Trustee hereby provides notice to each Noteholder or Composite Securityholder that the failure by the Noteholder or Composite Securityholder to provide the Trustee with appropriate tax certifications may result in amounts being withheld from payments to the Noteholder or Composite Securityholder. Nothing in this Indenture shall impose an obligation on the part of the Trustee to determine the amount of any tax or withholding obligation on the part of the Issuer or in respect of the Securities.

Section 2.9. ***Persons Considered Owners.***

The Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, and any agent of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee may treat as the owner of the Security the person in whose name any Security is registered on the Indenture Register or the Share Register on the applicable Record Date for the purpose of receiving payments on the Security and on any other date for all other purposes whatsoever (whether or not the Security is overdue), and neither the Issuer, the Co-Issuers, nor the Trustee nor any agent of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the Trustee shall be affected by notice to the contrary. The Portfolio Manager shall notify the Trustee and the Share Registrar of any Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager that owns the Securities or Preference Shares.

Section 2.10. ***Cancellation.***

All Securities surrendered for payment, registration of transfer, exchange, or redemption, or lost or stolen, shall be promptly canceled by the Trustee and may not be reissued or resold. No Securities shall be authenticated in lieu of or in exchange for any Securities canceled as provided in this Section 2.10, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and in the case of the Preference Shares, the Preference Share Documents. All canceled Securities held by the Trustee shall be destroyed by the Trustee in accordance with its standard policy unless the Co-Issuers direct by an Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee prior to cancellation and destruction that they be returned to the Issuer.

Section 2.11. ***Definitive Securities.***

(a) A Global Security deposited with the Depository pursuant to Section 2.2 shall be transferred in the form of a Definitive Security to its beneficial owners only if the transfer complies with Section 2.6 and either

(i) the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as Depository for the Global Security or

(ii) if at any time the Depository ceases to be a Clearing Agency registered under the Exchange Act and, in each case, a successor depository is not appointed by the Co-Issuers within 90 days after the notice.

(b) Any Global Security that is transferable in the form of a Definitive Security to its beneficial owners pursuant to this Section 2.11 shall be surrendered by the Depository to the office of the Trustee's agent located in the City of New York, New York as specified in Section 7.2 (or any

other office designated by the Trustee) to be so transferred, in whole or from time to time in part, without charge, and the Applicable Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, upon the transfer of each portion of the Global Security, an equal aggregate principal amount of definitive physical certificates (pursuant to the instructions of the Depository) (each, a "**Definitive Security**") in authorized denominations. Any Definitive Security delivered in exchange for an interest in a Global Security, as applicable, shall, except as otherwise provided by Section 2.6(i), bear the legends in the applicable portion of Exhibit A and shall be subject to the transfer restrictions referred to in the legends.

(c) The Holder of a Global Security may grant proxies and otherwise authorize any person, including Agent Members and persons that may hold interests through Agent Members, to take any action which a Holder is entitled to take under this Indenture or the Securities, as applicable.

(d) Upon the occurrence of either of the events specified in Section 2.11(a)(i) and (ii), the Co-Issuers shall promptly make available to the Trustee a reasonable supply of Definitive Securities in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons.

The Definitive Securities shall be in substantially the same form as the Global Securities, with any changes the Issuer and Trustee agree to and the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in exchange therefor, the same aggregate principal amount of Definitive Securities of authorized denominations.

#### Section 2.12. ***Securities Beneficially Owned by Non-Permitted Holders.***

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary elsewhere in this Indenture, any transfer of a beneficial interest in any (i) Global Security to a U.S. person (for purposes of this Section 2.12 as defined in Regulation S) that is not a QIB/QP or (ii) Certificated Composite Security to a U.S. person that is not (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer or an Accredited Investor and (y) a Qualified Purchaser (or a Knowledgeable Employee or an entity owned exclusively by Knowledgeable Employees), and that is not in each case made pursuant to an applicable exemption under the Securities Act, shall be void and any such purported transfer of which the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the Trustee has notice may be disregarded by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, and the Trustee for all purposes.

(b) After discovery by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the Trustee (and notice by the Trustee or the Co-Issuer to the Issuer, if either of them makes the discovery), that a person is a Non-Permitted Holder, the Issuer shall promptly send notice to the Non-Permitted Holder demanding that the Non-Permitted Holder transfer its interest to a person that is not a Non-Permitted Holder within 30 days of the date of the notice. If the Non-Permitted Holder fails to so transfer its Notes, Composite Securities, or interest in the Securities, without further notice to the Non-Permitted Holder, the Issuer may sell the Notes, Composite Securities, or interest in the Securities to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is not a Non-Permitted Holder on any terms the Issuer chooses. The Issuer, or the Trustee acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting bids (or by appointing an investment bank at the expense of the Issuer to solicit bids) from brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Securities, and selling the Securities, or interest in the Securities to the highest bidder. However, the Issuer or the Trustee may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Security, the beneficial owner of each interest in a Security, the Non-Permitted Holder, and each other person in the chain of title from the Holder or beneficial owner to the Non-Permitted Holder, by its acceptance of an interest in the Securities agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Trustee to effect the transfers. The proceeds of the sale, net of any commissions, expenses of the Trustee or otherwise, and taxes due in connection with the sale shall be remitted to

the Non-Permitted Holder. The terms of any sale under this subsection shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer (or the Trustee acting on its behalf), and the Issuer and the Trustee shall not be liable to any person having an interest in the Securities sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of its discretion.

**Section 2.13     *Tax Purposes***

The Issuer agrees, and each Holder and each beneficial owner of a Note, by acceptance of its Note or its interest in a Note, as the case may be, shall be deemed to have agreed, to treat, and shall treat, such Note as unconditional debt of the Issuer for tax, accounting and financial reporting purposes.

**ARTICLE 3**

**CONDITIONS PRECEDENT**

**Section 3.1.     *Conditions to Issuance of Securities on Closing Date.***

The Securities to be issued on the Closing Date shall be executed by the Applicable Issuers and delivered to the Trustee for authentication and thereupon the same shall be authenticated and delivered by the Trustee upon Issuer Order and upon receipt by the Trustee of the following:

(i)     *Officers' Certificates of the Co-Issuers Regarding Corporate Matters.* An Officer's certificate of each of the Co-Issuers:

(A)     (1) evidencing (x) the authorization by Board Resolution of the execution and delivery of this Indenture and the Placement Agency Agreement and, in the case of the Issuer, the Management Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Hedge Agreements being entered into on or before the Closing Date (if any), and related transaction documents and (y) the execution, authentication, and delivery of the Notes and Composite Securities applied for by it and specifying the Stated Maturity, principal amount, and, with respect to the Notes, the Note Interest Rate of each Class of Notes to be authenticated and delivered and (2) evidencing the authorization by Board Resolution of the issuance, terms and number of Preference Shares issued on the Closing Date, and that each of the foregoing is in accordance with the terms of the Board Resolution, and

(B)     certifying that (1) the attached copy of the Board Resolution is an accurate copy, (2) the resolutions have not been rescinded and are in full force on and as of the Closing Date, and (3) the Officers authorized to execute and deliver the documents hold the offices and have the signatures indicated on the documents.

(ii)     *Governmental Approvals.* From each of the Co-Issuers either:

(A)     a certificate of the Applicable Issuer or other official document evidencing the due authorization, approval, or consent of any governmental bodies, at the time having jurisdiction in the premises, together with an Opinion of Counsel of the Applicable Issuer that no other authorization, approval, or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of the Securities applied for by it, or

(B) an Opinion of Counsel of the Applicable Issuer that no authorization, approval, or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of the Securities except as have been given; provided that the opinions of Latham & Watkins, LLP and Ogier & Boxalls, substantially in the forms of Exhibit C and Exhibit D, respectively, shall satisfy this clause (B).

(iii) *Co-Issuers' and Portfolio Manager's U.S. Counsel Opinion.* An opinion of Latham & Watkins LLP, special U.S. counsel to the Co-Issuers, and Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, counsel to the Portfolio Manager, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the forms of Exhibit C and Exhibit F.

(iv) *Issuer's Cayman Counsel Opinion.* An opinion of Ogier & Boxalls, Cayman Islands counsel to the Issuer, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit D.

(v) *Trustee's Counsel Opinion.* An opinion of Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP, counsel to the Trustee, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit E.

(vi) *Officers' Certificates of Co-Issuers Regarding Indenture.* An Officer's certificate of each of the Co-Issuers stating that, to the best of the Officer's knowledge,

(A) the Applicable Issuer is not in default under this Indenture and that the issuance of the Securities applied for by it will not result in a default or a breach of, or be a default under, its organizational documents, any indenture or other agreement or instrument to which it is a party or by which it is bound, or any order of any court or administrative agency entered in any Proceeding to which it is a party or by which it may be bound or to which it may be subject;

(B) all conditions precedent in this Indenture relating to the authentication and delivery of the Securities have been complied with; and

(C) all expenses due or accrued with respect to the Offering or relating to actions taken on or in connection with the Closing Date have been paid or reserves therefor have been made.

The Officer's certificate of the Issuer shall also state that, to the best of the Officer's knowledge, all of its representations and warranties contained in this Indenture are accurate as of the Closing Date.

(vii) *Hedge Agreements.* Executed copies of the Hedge Agreements being entered into on or entered into before the Closing Date, if any.

(viii) *Management Agreement.* Executed copy of the Management Agreement.

(ix) *Preference Shares.* Copies of executed Preference Share certificates to be issued on the Closing Date.

(x) *Preference Share Documents.* An executed counterpart of the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement.

(xi) *Collateral Administration Agreement.* Executed copy of the Collateral Administration Agreement.

(xii) *Grant of Collateral Obligations.* Evidence of the Grant pursuant to the Granting Clauses of this Indenture of all of the Issuer's interest in the Collateral Obligations pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, on the Closing Date and Delivery of the Collateral Obligations (including any promissory notes and all other Underlying Instruments related to them to the extent received by the Issuer) to the Trustee or the Custodian as contemplated by Section 3.2.

(xiii) *Certificate of the Portfolio Manager.* A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, to the best knowledge of the Portfolio Manager, in the case of each Collateral Obligation pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, as the case may be, on the Closing Date and immediately before the delivery of the Collateral Obligation on the Closing Date:

(A) the "row/column combination" of the table appearing in the definition of "Ratings Matrix" selected by the Portfolio Manager on the Closing Date;

(B) the information with respect to the Collateral Obligation in the Schedule of Collateral Obligations is correct; and

(C) the Collateral Obligation satisfies the requirements of the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and of Section 3.1(xx)(B);

(xiv) *Rating Letters.* An Officer's certificate of the Issuer to the effect that attached is an accurate copy of a letter signed by each Rating Agency and confirming that each Class of Securities rated by the Rating Agency has been assigned the applicable Initial Rating and that the ratings are in full force on the Closing Date.

(xv) *Accounts.* Evidence that each of the Accounts has been established.

(xvi) *Issuer Order for Deposit of Funds into Accounts.* An Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, authorizing the deposit of at least U.S.\$286,000,000 into the Collection Account for use pursuant to Section 7.19, the deposit of approximately U.S.\$9,000,000 into the Closing Date Expense Account for use pursuant to Section 10.3(g) and the deposit of approximately U.S.\$2,500,000 into the Interest Reserve Account for use pursuant to Section 10.3(i).

(xvii) *Irish Listing.* An Officer's certificate of the Issuer to the effect that application has been made to the Irish Stock Exchange to admit the Securities to the Daily Official List.

(xviii) *Issuer Order for Authentication of Securities.* An Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, directing the Trustee to authenticate the Securities in the amounts, in the registered names, and with the CUSIP numbers in the Issuer Order.

(xix) *Accountants' Certificate.* An Accountants' Certificate (A) confirming the information with respect to each Collateral Obligation on the Schedule of Collateral Obligations attached as Schedule 1, (B) confirming that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that the Issuer has purchased or committed to purchase in accordance with customary settlement procedures in the relevant markets, is at least U.S.\$400,000,000, that each Concentration Limitation is satisfied taking into account all of the Collateral Obligations acquired as of the Closing Date (including binding agreements to

purchase Collateral Obligations in effect on the Closing Date), that the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date and that the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date and a calculation of the Diversity Score, (C) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to this Section 3.1(xix) and (D) confirming the weighted average purchase price of the Collateral Obligations.

(xx) *Certificate of the Issuer Regarding Collateral.* A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, to the knowledge of the Issuer, in the case of each Collateral Obligation pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, as the case may be, on the Closing Date and immediately before the delivery of the Collateral Obligation on the Closing Date:

(A) the Issuer is the owner of the Collateral Obligation free of any liens, claims, or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever except for those that are being released on the Closing Date and except for those Granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture;

(B) the Issuer has acquired its ownership in the Collateral Obligation in good faith without notice of any adverse claim, except as described in paragraph (A) above;

(C) the Issuer has not assigned, pledged, or otherwise encumbered any interest in the Collateral Obligation (or, if any interest in the Collateral Obligation has been assigned, pledged, or otherwise encumbered, it has been released before the Closing Date or is being released on the Closing Date) other than interests Granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture;

(D) the Issuer has full right to Grant a security interest in and assign and pledge the Collateral Obligation to the Trustee;

(E) upon Grant by the Issuer, the Trustee has a first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral Obligations and the other Collateral; and

(F) based solely on the Accountant's Certificate set forth in clause (xix) above, the weighted average purchase price of the Collateral Obligations in the Portfolio as of the Closing Date is at least 90% of the aggregate par amount thereof.

(xxi) *Certificate of the Issuer Regarding Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice.* A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, on or prior to the Closing Date the Issuer provided to the Depository the Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice, substantially in the form of Exhibit H-2.

(xxii) *Other Documents.* Any other documents the Trustee reasonably requires. Nothing in this clause (xxii) shall imply or impose a duty on the part of the Trustee to require any other documents.

Section 3.2. ***Custodianship; Delivery of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments.***

(a) The Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, shall deliver or cause to be delivered to a custodian appointed by the Issuer, which shall be a Securities Intermediary (the "***Custodian***"), all Collateral in accordance with the definition of "Deliver." Initially, the Custodian shall be JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association. Any successor custodian shall be a state or national bank or trust company that is not an Affiliate of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and has capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000 and is a Securities Intermediary. Subject to the limited right to relocate Pledged Obligations as provided in Section 7.5(b), the Trustee shall hold all Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, other investments purchased in accordance with this Indenture (other than Loans, Participations and general intangibles) and Cash in the relevant Account established and maintained pursuant to Article 10, as to which in each case the Trustee shall have entered into an agreement with the Custodian substantially in the form of Exhibit G providing, inter alia, that the establishment and maintenance of the Account shall be governed by the law of the State of New York.

(b) Each time that the Issuer, or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer, directs or causes the acquisition of any Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment, or other investments, the Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Issuer) shall, if the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment, or other investment is required to be, but has not already been, transferred to the relevant Account, cause the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment, or other investment to be Delivered to the Custodian to be held in the Custodial Account (or in the case of any such investment that is not a Collateral Obligation, in the Account in which the funds used to purchase the investment are held in accordance with Article 10) for the benefit of the Trustee in accordance with this Indenture. The security interest of the Trustee in the funds or other property used in connection with the acquisition shall, immediately and without further action on the part of the Trustee, be released. The security interest of the Trustee shall nevertheless come into existence and continue in the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment, or other investment so acquired, including all interests of the Issuer in to any contracts related to and proceeds of the Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, or other investments.

Section 3.3. ***Representations as to Collateral.***

(a) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants to the Secured Parties as to the Collateral as follows (which representations are repeated on each day on which the Issuer acquires new Collateral):

(i) This Indenture creates a valid and continuing security interest (as defined in the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) in the Collateral in favor of the Trustee, which security interest is prior to all other liens, charges, claims, security interests, mortgages, and other encumbrances, and is enforceable as such as against creditors of and purchasers from the Issuer.

(ii) Except for any Securities Lending Collateral and Synthetic Securities Collateral, the Issuer has good and marketable title to and is the owner of each item of Collateral free of any liens, claims, or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever except for liens (A) that are being released on the Closing Date and (B) granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture. The Issuer has a first priority security interest in all Securities Lending Collateral to secure all obligations of Securities Lending Counterparty under the Securities Lending Agreement and a first priority interest in all Synthetic Securities Collateral to secure all obligations of Synthetic Security Counterparty under the Synthetic Securities Agreement.



(iii) The Issuer has not assigned, pledged, or otherwise encumbered any interest in the Collateral (or, if any interest in the Collateral has been assigned, pledged, or otherwise encumbered, it has been released before the Closing Date or is being released on the Closing Date) other than interests granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture.

(iv) The Issuer has full right, and has received all consents and approvals required by the related Underlying Instruments, to grant a security interest in its rights in the Collateral to the Trustee.

(v) Each Collateral Obligation included in the Collateral satisfied the requirements of the definition of "Collateral Obligation" as of the date the Issuer committed to purchase the same or, in the case of the Warehoused Loans, as of the Closing Date.

(vi) All Collateral Obligations, any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange did not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, and Eligible Investments (other than, in each case, "general intangibles" within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) have been and will have been credited to one of the Accounts. The securities intermediary for each Account has agreed to treat all assets credited to the Accounts as "financial assets" within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code.

(vii) The Issuer has pledged to the Trustee all of the Issuer's interest in each Collateral Obligation included in the Collateral pursuant to the Granting Clauses of this Indenture and has delivered each Collateral Obligation (including any promissory note and all its other Underlying Instruments to the extent received by the Issuer) to the Trustee or the Custodian as contemplated by Section 3.2.

(viii) Each of the Collateral constitutes "general intangibles," "certificated securities," "instruments," "securities entitlements," or "uncertificated securities," each within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code, or any other category of collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code as to which the Issuer has complied with its obligations under Section 3.3(b).

(ix) The Issuer has caused (or will have caused within 10 days following the Closing Date) the filing of appropriate financing statements in the proper filing offices in the appropriate jurisdictions under applicable law to perfect the security interest in the portion of the Collateral pledged to the Trustee under this Indenture that may be perfected by the filing of financing statements.

(x) The Issuer has not authorized the filing of and is not aware of any financing statements against the Issuer that include a description of collateral covering the Collateral other than any financing statement (A) relating to the security interest granted to the Trustee under this Indenture, (B) that has been terminated, or (C) that names the Trustee as the secured party. On the date of this Indenture, the Issuer is not aware of any judgment or Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation or tax lien filings against the Issuer.

(xi) The Issuer has delivered to the Trustee a fully executed agreement pursuant to which the securities intermediary for each Account has agreed to comply with all instructions originated by the Trustee relating to the Account without further consent by the Issuer.

(xii) All original executed copies of each "instrument" (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral have been

delivered to the Custodian, to the extent received by the Issuer. The Issuer has received confirmation from the Custodian that the Custodian has credited the instruments to one of the Accounts. None of the instruments that are or evidence the Collateral has any marks or notations indicating that they are then pledged or otherwise assigned to any person other than the Trustee.

(xiii) The Accounts are not in the name of any person other than the Issuer or the Trustee. The Issuer has not consented to the securities intermediary of any Account to comply with instructions of any person other than the Trustee.

(xiv) All "certificated securities" (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral have been delivered to the Custodian, to the extent received by the Issuer, registered in the name of the Custodian or indorsed to the Custodian. The Issuer has received confirmation from the Custodian that the Custodian has credited such certificated securities to one of the Accounts.

(xv) The Issuer has caused all "uncertificated securities" (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral to be registered in the name of the Custodian.

(xvi) Upon grant by the Issuer, the Trustee has a first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral.

The parties to this Indenture (i) shall not waive any of the representations in this Section 3.3, unless the Rating Condition is satisfied in connection with such waiver; (ii) the Issuer shall provide each of the Rating Agencies with prompt written notice of any breach of the representations contained in this Section 3.3 upon becoming aware thereof, and shall not waive a breach of any of the representations in this Section 3.3, unless the Rating Condition is satisfied (as determined after any adjustment or withdrawal of the ratings following notice of such breach) in connection with such waiver.

(b) If the Issuer acquires Collateral that is not "general intangibles," "certificated securities," "instruments," "securities entitlements," or "uncertificated securities," each within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code, or another category of collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code as to which the Issuer has complied with its obligations under this Section 3.3(b), then on or before the date on which the Issuer acquires the Collateral, the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer) shall notify S&P and the Trustee (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) of its acquisition or intended acquisition of the Collateral and the Issuer shall represent to S&P and to the Trustee (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) as to the category of the Collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code and shall make any further representations as to the perfection and priority of the security interest in the Collateral Granted under this Indenture acceptable to S&P.

## ARTICLE 4

### SATISFACTION AND DISCHARGE

#### Section 4.1. *Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture.*

This Indenture shall be discharged and shall cease to be of further effect with respect to the Notes, the Composite Securities and the Collateral except as to:

- (i) rights of registration of transfer and exchange,

- (ii) substitution of mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Securities,
- (iii) rights of Holders of the Notes (including the Note components) to receive payments of principal and interest on, or other amounts (including without limitation Extension Bonus Payments) owing in respect of, the Notes as provided in this Indenture,
- (iv) the rights, indemnities, and immunities of the Trustee under this Indenture and the obligations of the Trustee under Section 7.3 of this Indenture with respect to the holding and paying of unclaimed funds,
- (v) for so long as any Preference Shares remain Outstanding, any provisions hereof conferring any rights or remedies upon the Holders of the Preference Shares or the Preference Shares Paying Agent on behalf of the Holders of the Preference Shares, including but not limited to, the provisions of Articles 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15,
- (vi) for so long as any Preference Shares remain Outstanding, the provisions of Articles 10, 11 and 12 relating to the acquisition, retention, disbursement and reinvestment of Collateral,
- (vi) the rights, obligations, and immunities of the Portfolio Manager under this Indenture and under the Management Agreement, and
- (vii) the rights of Holders of the Notes (including the Note components) as beneficiaries of this Indenture with respect to the property deposited with the Trustee and payable to any of them (and the Trustee, on demand of and at the expense of the Issuer, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture),

when:

- (a) either:
  - (i) all Securities theretofore authenticated and delivered to Noteholders and Composite Securityholders (other than (A) Securities that have been destroyed, lost, or stolen and which have been replaced or paid as provided in Section 2.7 and (B) Notes for whose payment money has theretofore irrevocably been deposited in trust and thereafter repaid to the Issuer or discharged from the trust, as provided in Section 7.3), have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation; or
  - (ii) all Securities not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation
    - (A) have become payable, or
    - (B) will become payable at their Stated Maturity within one year, or
    - (C) are to be called for redemption pursuant to Article 9 under an arrangement satisfactory to the Trustee for the giving of notice of redemption by the Applicable Issuers pursuant to Section 9.3,

and the Issuer has irrevocably deposited with the Trustee, in trust for payment of the principal and interest on the Securities, Cash or non-callable obligations of the United States of America. The obligations deposited under Section 4.1(a)(ii) with respect to the other Securities must be entitled to the full faith and credit of the United States of America or be

debt obligations that are rated "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, in an amount sufficient, as verified by a firm of Independent certified public accountants that are nationally recognized, to pay and discharge the entire indebtedness on the Securities not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation, for principal and interest to the date of the deposit (in the case of Securities that have become payable), or to the respective Stated Maturity or the respective Redemption Date, as the case may be, and the Issuer shall have Granted to the Trustee a valid perfected security interest in the Eligible Investment that is of first priority, free of any adverse claim, and shall have furnished an Opinion of Counsel with respect thereto. Section 4.1(a)(ii) shall not apply if an election to act in accordance with Section 5.5(a) has been made and not rescinded. In addition, the Issuer shall cause delivery to the Trustee of an Opinion of Counsel of Independent U.S. tax counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters to the effect that the Holders of Notes would recognize no income, gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of the deposit and satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture;

(b) the Issuer has paid all other sums then payable under this Indenture by the Issuer and no other amounts are scheduled to be payable by the Issuer; and

(c) the Co-Issuers have delivered to the Trustee Officer's certificates and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent in this Indenture provided for relating to the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture have been complied with.

Notwithstanding the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture, the rights and obligations of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager and, if applicable, the Noteholders and the Composite Securityholders, as the case may be, under Sections 2.8, 4.2, 5.4(d), 5.9, 5.18, 6.6, 6.7, 7.1, 7.3, 13.1, and 14.14 shall survive.

#### Section 4.2. *Application of Trust Money.*

All monies deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 4.1 shall be held in trust for the person entitled to it and applied by the Trustee in accordance with the Securities and this Indenture, including the Priority of Payments, to the payment of principal and interest, either directly or through any Paying Agent, as the Trustee may determine. The money shall be held in a segregated non-interest bearing trust account identified as being held in trust for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

#### Section 4.3. *Repayment of Monies Held by Paying Agent.*

In connection with the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture with respect to the Securities, all monies then held by any Paying Agent other than the Trustee under this Indenture shall, upon demand of the Co-Issuers, be paid to the Trustee to be held and applied pursuant to Section 7.3 and in accordance with the Priority of Payments and thereupon the Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to the monies.

## ARTICLE 5

### REMEDIES

#### Section 5.1. *Events of Default.*

"*Event of Default*," wherever used in this Indenture, means any one of the following events whatever the reason:

(a) a default for four Business Days in the payment of any interest on any Class of Notes that is currently part of the Controlling Class when it becomes payable (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, the Irish Paying Agent or the Indenture Registrar, after seven Business Days);

(b) a default in the payment of principal (including Deferred Interest) of any Note, when the same becomes payable, at its Stated Maturity or on the Redemption Date;

(c) the failure on any Payment Date to disburse amounts available in the Payment Account in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the failure continues for 3 Business Days;

(d) on any Measurement Date for so long as any Class A Notes are Outstanding, the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Pledged Obligations is less than 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes;

(e) either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral becomes an investment company under the 1940 Act;

(f) breach of any other covenant or other agreement of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture (other than any failure to satisfy any of the Collateral Quality Tests, any of the Concentration Limitations, any of the Coverage Tests, the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test, or other covenants or agreements for which a specific remedy has been provided in this Section 5.1) in any material respect, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant thereto, or in connection therewith, to be correct in any material respect when made, and the breach or failure continues for 30 days after either of the Co-Issuers has actual knowledge of it or after notice to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, and the Portfolio Manager by the Trustee or to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class by registered or certified mail or overnight courier specifying the breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that the notice is a "Notice of Default" under this Indenture;

(g) the entry of a decree or order by a court having competent jurisdiction adjudging the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, or composition of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, and if the decree or order remains unstayed and in effect for 45 consecutive days;

(h) the institution by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of Proceedings to have the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as the case may be, adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings against the Issuer or Co-Issuer, or the filing by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Bankruptcy Law or any other similar applicable law, or the consent by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or the taking of any action by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in furtherance of any such action; or

(i) one or more final judgments is rendered against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer that exceed in the aggregate U.S.\$2,000,000 (or any lesser amount specified by any Rating Agency) and that remain unstayed, undischarged, and unsatisfied for 30 days after the judgments become nonappealable, unless adequate funds have been reserved or set aside for their payment, and unless (except as otherwise specified in writing by Moody's) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereon.

Section 5.2. ***Acceleration of Maturity; Rescission and Annulment.***

(a) If an Event of Default is continuing (other than (i) an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h)), the Trustee may, and upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall, declare the principal of all the Notes and Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components) to be immediately payable by notice to the Applicable Issuers, and upon that declaration the unpaid principal of all the Notes and Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components), together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), and other amounts payable under this Indenture, shall become immediately payable. The Reinvestment Period shall terminate upon a declaration of acceleration (subject to re-commencement pursuant to Section 5.2(b)). If an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h) occurs, all unpaid principal, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), of all the Notes and Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components), and other amounts payable under this Indenture, shall automatically become payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any Noteholder and the Reinvestment Period shall terminate automatically (subject to re-commencement pursuant to Section 5.2(b)).

(b) At any time after the declaration of acceleration of maturity has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, may rescind the declaration and its consequences:

(i) The Issuer or the Co-Issuer has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:

(A) all unpaid installments of interest and principal on the Notes and Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components) then due;

(B) to the extent that payment of the interest is lawful, interest on any Deferred Interest and Defaulted Interest at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable;

(C) all Administrative Expenses of the Co-Issuers and other sums paid or advanced by the Trustee under this Indenture;

(D) all unpaid Senior Management Fees;

(E) all amounts then payable to any Hedge Counterparty; and

(ii) The Trustee has determined that all Events of Default, other than the non-payment of the interest on or principal of the Notes and Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components), have been (A) cured, and a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Trustee has agreed with that determination, or (B) waived as provided in Section 5.14.

No such rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right consequent thereon. The Issuer shall not terminate any Hedge Agreement at any time after a declaration of acceleration of Maturity of the Notes and Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components) has been made, unless such declaration and its consequences may no longer be rescinded and annulled in accordance with this Section 5.2(b) and liquidation of the Collateral has begun.

If a declaration of acceleration is rescinded as described above:

(x) the Reinvestment Period, if terminated by the declaration, shall recommence on the date of the rescission (unless the Reinvestment Period would have otherwise terminated before that date pursuant to clauses (i), (ii), or (iii) of its definition); and

(y) the Trustee shall preserve the Collateral in accordance with this Indenture. If the preservation of the Collateral is rescinded pursuant to Section 5.5, the Notes and Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components) may again be accelerated pursuant to Section 5.2(a), notwithstanding any previous rescission of a declaration of acceleration pursuant to this Section 5.2(b)).

No rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right resulting from the Default.

(c) Notwithstanding anything in this Section 5.2 to the contrary, the Notes will not be subject to acceleration by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class, or any other Holders solely as a result of the failure to pay any amount due on Notes that are not of the Controlling Class.

### Section 5.3. *Collection of Indebtedness and Suits for Enforcement by Trustee.*

The Applicable Issuers covenant that if a default occurs in the payment of any principal or interest when payable on any Note, upon demand of the Trustee or the Holder of any affected Note or Composite Security, the Applicable Issuers shall pay to the Trustee, for the benefit of the Holder of the Note, the whole amount then payable on the Note or Composite Security (to the extent of the Note Component) for principal and interest with interest on the overdue principal and, to the extent that payments of the interest shall be legally enforceable, on overdue installments of interest and all other amounts owing to the Holders of the Securities under this Indenture, at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable, and, in addition, an amount sufficient to cover the costs and expenses of collection, including the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements, and advances of the Trustee and the Holders and their agents and counsel.

If the Issuer or the Co-Issuer fails to pay those amounts immediately on demand, the Trustee, in its own name and as Trustee of an express trust, may, and shall at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, institute a Proceeding for the collection of the sums due, may prosecute the Proceeding to judgment or final decree, and may enforce the same against the Applicable Issuers or any other obligor on the Notes or Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components) and collect the monies determined to be payable in the manner provided by law out of the Collateral.

If an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee may, and shall upon written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, proceed to protect and enforce its rights and the rights of the Holders of the Securities by any appropriate Proceedings as is deemed most effective (if no direction is received by the Trustee) or as the Trustee may be directed by a Majority of the Controlling Class, to protect and enforce the rights of the Trustee and the Holders of the Securities, whether for the

specific enforcement of any agreement in this Indenture or in aid of the exercise of any power granted in this Indenture, or to enforce any other proper remedy or legal or equitable right vested in the Trustee by this Indenture or by law. The reasonable compensation, costs, expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or paid by the Trustee and its agents and counsel, in connection with such Proceeding, including, without limitation, the exercise of any remedies pursuant to Section 5.4, shall be reimbursed to the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.7.

If any Proceedings are pending relating to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any other obligor on the Notes or Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components) under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, or other similar law, or if a receiver, assignee, or trustee in bankruptcy or reorganization, liquidator, sequestrator, or similar official has been appointed for or taken possession of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or their respective property or any other obligor on the Notes or Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components) or its property, or if any other comparable Proceedings are pending relating to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or other obligor on the Notes or Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components), or the creditors or property of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or other obligor on the Notes or Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components), the Trustee, regardless of whether the principal of any Notes is then payable by declaration or otherwise and regardless of whether the Trustee has made any demand pursuant to this Section 5.3, may, by intervention in the Proceedings or otherwise:

(a) file and prove claims for the whole amount of principal and interest owing and unpaid in respect of the Notes or Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components), and file any other papers or documents appropriate and take any other appropriate action (including sitting on a committee of creditors) to have the claims of the Trustee (including any claim for reasonable compensation to the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, and their respective agents, attorneys, and counsel, and for reimbursement of all expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, except as a result of negligence or bad faith) and of the Holders of the Securities allowed in any Proceedings relating to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or other obligor on the Notes or to the creditors or property of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or other obligor on the Notes or Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components);

(b) unless prohibited by applicable law, vote on behalf of the Holders of the Securities in any election of a trustee or a standby trustee in arrangement, reorganization, liquidation, or other bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings or person performing similar functions in comparable Proceedings; and

(c) collect and receive any monies or other property payable to or deliverable on any such claims, and distribute all amounts received with respect to the claims of the Holders of the Securities and of the Trustee on their behalf; and any trustee, receiver or liquidator, custodian, or other similar official is authorized by each of the Holders of the Securities to make payments to the Trustee, and, if the Trustee consents to making payments directly to the Holders of the Securities, to pay to the Trustee amounts sufficient to cover reasonable compensation to the Trustee, each predecessor Trustee, and their respective agents, attorneys, and counsel, and all other reasonable expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee except as a result of negligence or bad faith.

Nothing in this Indenture shall authorize the Trustee to authorize or consent to or vote for or accept or adopt on behalf of the Holder of any Security, any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, or composition affecting the Securities or any Holder of Securities, or to authorize the Trustee to vote on the claim of the Holder of any Security in any Proceeding except, as aforesaid, to vote for the election of a trustee in bankruptcy or similar person.



Notwithstanding anything in this Section 5.3 to the contrary, the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Collateral or institute Proceedings in furtherance of the sale or liquidation of the Collateral pursuant to this Section 5.3 except according to Section 5.5(a).

Section 5.4. ***Remedies.***

(a) If an Event of Default is continuing, and the Notes and Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components) have been declared payable and the declaration and its consequences have not been rescinded, or at any time after the Stated Maturity, the Co-Issuers agree that the Trustee may, and shall, upon written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, to the extent permitted by applicable law, exercise one or more of the following rights:

(i) institute Proceedings for the collection of all amounts then payable on the Notes (including the Note Components) or otherwise payable under this Indenture, whether by declaration or otherwise, enforce any judgment obtained, and collect from the Collateral any monies adjudged due;

(ii) sell or liquidate all or a portion of the Collateral or interests in it, at one or more public or private sales called and conducted in any manner permitted by law and in accordance with Section 5.17;

(iii) institute Proceedings from time to time for the complete or partial foreclosure of this Indenture with respect to the Collateral;

(iv) exercise any remedies of a secured party under the UCC and take any other appropriate action to protect and enforce the rights of the Trustee and the Holders of the Notes under this Indenture; and

(v) exercise any other rights that may be available at law or in equity;

*except* that the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Collateral or institute Proceedings in furtherance of the sale or liquidation of the Collateral pursuant to this Section 5.4 except according to Section 5.5(a).

(b) If an Event of Default as described in Section 5.1(f) is continuing the Trustee may, with the consent of, and shall, at the direction of, the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, institute a Proceeding solely to compel performance of the covenant or agreement or to cure the representation or warranty, the breach of which gave rise to the Event of Default under Section 5.1(f), and enforce any equitable decree or order arising from the Proceeding.

(c) Upon any sale, whether made under the power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, any Holders or the Portfolio Manager (subject to the Management Agreement) may bid for and purchase any part of the Collateral and, upon compliance with the terms of sale, may hold, retain, possess, or dispose of the Collateral in its or their own absolute right without accountability.

Upon any sale, whether made under the power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, the receipt of the Trustee, or of the Officer making a sale under judicial Proceedings, shall be a sufficient discharge to the purchasers at any sale for their purchase money, and the purchasers shall not be obliged to see to its application.

Any sale, whether under any power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, shall bind the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, and the Holders of the Securities, shall operate to divest all interest whatsoever, either at law or in equity, of each of them in the property sold, and shall be a perpetual bar, both at law and in equity, against each of them and their successors and assigns, and against all persons claiming through or under them.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, none of the Trustee, the Secured Parties, or the Holders of the Securities may, before the date that is one year and one day (or if longer, any applicable preference period plus one day) after the payment in full of all Notes (including the Note Components), institute against, or join any other person in instituting against, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium, or liquidation Proceedings, or other Proceedings under the Bankruptcy Law or any similar laws in any jurisdiction. Nothing in this Section 5.4 shall preclude the Trustee or any Secured Party (i) from taking any action before the expiration of that period in (A) any case or Proceeding voluntarily filed or commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or (B) any involuntary insolvency Proceeding filed or commenced by a person other than a Secured Party, or (ii) from commencing against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any of its properties any legal action that is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium, or liquidation Proceeding.

**Section 5.5. *Optional Preservation of Collateral.***

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Indenture, if an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall retain the Collateral intact, collect, and cause the collection of the proceeds of the Collateral and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Collateral and the Notes, and any Hedge Agreements (other than amounts received under a Hedge Agreement that are used in putting a Replacement Hedge in place), in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Article 10 and Article 12 unless:

(i) the Trustee determines that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) of Section 11.1(a)(i) and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination; or

(ii) the Holders of a Super Majority of each of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral.

The Trustee shall give written notice of the retention of the Collateral to the Issuer with a copy to the Co-Issuer and the Portfolio Manager. So long as the Event of Default is continuing, any retention pursuant to this Section 5.5(a) may be rescinded at any time when the conditions specified in clause (i) or (ii) exist.

(b) Nothing contained in Section 5.5(a) shall be construed to require the Trustee to sell the Collateral if the conditions in clause (i) or (ii) of Section 5.5(a) are not satisfied. Nothing contained in Section 5.5(a) shall be construed to require the Trustee to preserve the Collateral if prohibited by applicable law.

(c) In determining whether the condition specified in Section 5.5(a)(i) exists, the Trustee shall obtain bid prices with respect to each security contained in the Collateral from two nationally recognized dealers (or if there is only one market maker, that market maker and if there is no market maker, from a pricing service), at the time making a market in those securities, and shall compute the anticipated proceeds of sale or liquidation on the basis of the lower of the bid prices for each security. In addition, for the purposes of determining issues relating to the valuation of the Collateral, the satisfaction of the conditions specified in this Indenture, the execution of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral, and the execution of a sale or other liquidation of the Collateral in connection with a determination whether the condition specified in Section 5.5(a)(i) exists, the Trustee may retain, at the Issuer's expense, and rely on an opinion of an Independent investment banking firm of national reputation, which may be the Placement Agents.

The Trustee shall deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holders of the Securities, the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager and the Hedge Counterparties a report stating the results of any determination required pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i). The Trustee shall make the determinations required by Section 5.5(a)(i) after an Event of Default at the request of a Majority of the Controlling Class at any time during which the Trustee retains the Collateral pursuant to Section 5.5(a). The Trustee shall obtain (at the Issuer's expense) a letter of a firm of Independent certified public accountants confirming the accuracy of each calculation made by the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) and certifying their conformity to the requirements of this Indenture.

(d) Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, the Trustee may not, and the Holders of the Notes representing the requisite percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes specified in Section 5.4 or 5.5, may not instruct the Trustee to sell or liquidate or (except in connection with the concurrent execution of a Replacement Hedge) terminate any Hedge Agreement during the continuance of an Event of Default until all Collateral other than the Hedge Agreements has been sold or liquidated and its proceeds applied in accordance with this Indenture.

(e) Collateral may not be sold or liquidated pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) after the last date on which the sale or liquidation is permitted under Section 5.5(a)(i) with respect to a determination made pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) (the last permitted date being determined by the Trustee under Section 5.5(a)(i)), unless a new determination is made in accordance with Section 5.5(a)(i) and the Collateral is sold or liquidated before the last sale date permitted in accordance with the new determination.

#### **Section 5.6. *Trustee May Enforce Claims Without Possession of Securities.***

All rights of action and claims under this Indenture or under any of the Securities may be prosecuted and enforced by the Trustee without the possession of any of the Securities or their production in any trial or other Proceeding relating to them, and any Proceeding instituted by the Trustee shall be brought in its own name as trustee of an express trust, and any recovery of judgment shall be applied as provided in Section 5.7.

In any Proceedings brought by the Trustee (and any Proceedings involving the interpretation of any provision of this Indenture to which the Trustee shall be a party) the Trustee shall be held to represent all the Holders of the Securities.

#### **Section 5.7. *Application of Money Collected.***

Any money collected by the Trustee with respect to the Notes (including the Note Components) pursuant to this Article 5 and any money that may then be held or subsequently

received by the Trustee with respect to the Notes under this Indenture shall be applied, subject to Section 13.1 and in accordance with Section 11.1, at the dates fixed by the Trustee.

**Section 5.8. *Limitation on Suits.***

No Holder of any Security shall have any right to institute any Proceedings, judicial or otherwise, with respect to this Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy under this Indenture, unless:

- (a) the Holder has previously given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default;
- (b) the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute Proceedings with respect to the Event of Default in its own name as Trustee under this Indenture and the Holders have offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with the request;
- (c) the Trustee for 30 days after its receipt of the notice, request, and offer of indemnity has failed to institute a Proceeding; and
- (d) no direction inconsistent with the written request has been given to the Trustee during the 30 day period by a Majority of the Controlling Class.

No one or more Holders of Securities have any right in any manner whatever by virtue of, or by availing of, any provision of this Indenture to affect the rights of any other Holders of Securities of the same Class or to obtain or to seek to obtain priority or preference over any other Holders of the Securities of the same Class or to enforce any right under this Indenture, except in the manner provided in this Indenture and for the equal and ratable benefit of all the Holders of Notes of the same Class subject to and in accordance with Section 13.1 and the Priority of Payments or Section 11.2, as the case may be.

If the Trustee receives conflicting or inconsistent requests and indemnity from two or more groups of Holders of the Controlling Class, each representing less than a Majority of the Controlling Class, the Trustee shall take the action requested by the Holders of the largest percentage in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, notwithstanding any other provisions of this Indenture.

**Section 5.9. *Unconditional Rights of Holders of Notes.***

Notwithstanding any provision of this Indenture other than this Section 5.9 and Sections 2.8(i), 5.4(d), and 13.1, the Holder of any Note (including the Note Components) shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive payment of the principal of and interest on the Note (including the Note Components) as it comes due in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Section 13.1, and, subject to Section 5.8, to institute proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment, and that right shall not be impaired without the consent of the Holder. Holders of Notes (including the Note Components) ranking junior to Notes still Outstanding may not institute proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment until no Note ranking senior to their Note remains Outstanding, subject to Section 5.8, and shall not be impaired without the consent of any such Holder. For so long as any Notes are Outstanding, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be entitled to any payment of any amount for payments to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Shares Documents, to the extent legally permitted, on a claim against the

Issuer unless there are sufficient funds to pay such amounts to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

**Section 5.10. *Restoration of Rights and Remedies.***

If the Trustee or the Holder of any Security has instituted any Proceeding to enforce any right under this Indenture and the Proceeding has been discontinued or abandoned for any reason, or has been determined adversely to the Trustee or to the Holder, then, subject to any determination in the Proceeding, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Holder shall be restored to their former positions under this Indenture, and thereafter all rights of the Trustee and the Holder shall continue as though no Proceeding had been instituted.

**Section 5.11. *Rights and Remedies Cumulative.***

No right in this Indenture conferred on or reserved to the Trustee or to the Holders of Securities is intended to be exclusive of any other right, and every right shall, to the extent permitted by law, be cumulative and in addition to every other right given under this Indenture or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or otherwise. The assertion or employment of any right under this Indenture, or otherwise, shall not prevent the concurrent assertion or employment of any other appropriate right.

**Section 5.12. *Delay or Omission Not Waiver.***

No delay or omission of the Trustee or the Holder of any Security to exercise any right accruing upon any Event of Default shall impair the right or be a waiver of the Event of Default or an acquiescence in it or of a subsequent Event of Default. Every right given by this Article 5 or by law to the Trustee or to the Holders of Securities may be exercised from time to time, and as often as deemed expedient, by the Trustee or by the applicable Holders.

**Section 5.13. *Control by Majority of the Controlling Class.***

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, during the continuance of an Event of Default, a Majority of the Controlling Class may institute and direct the time, method, and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any right of the Trustee with respect to the Notes if:

(i) the direction does not conflict with any rule of law or with any express provision of this Indenture; and

(ii) the Trustee has been indemnified to its reasonable satisfaction (and the Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability unless it has received an indemnity against the liability).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, only a Majority of the Controlling Class may direct proceedings with respect to remedies specified in Section 5.4(a) or otherwise with respect to the Collateral.

(b) The Trustee may take any other action deemed proper by the Trustee that is not inconsistent with a direction under Section 5.13(a). Subject to Section 6.1, the Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability (unless the Trustee has received an indemnity against the liabilities reasonably satisfactory to it) and during the continuance of an Event of Default that has not been cured, or waived, the Trustee shall, before receiving directions from a Majority of the Controlling Class, exercise the rights expressly vested in it by this Indenture and use

the same degree of care and skill in their exercise with respect to the Event of Default as is required by Section 6.1(b).

(c) Any direction to the Trustee to undertake a Sale of the Collateral shall be in accordance with Section 5.4 or 5.5.

**Section 5.14. *Waiver of Past Defaults.***

Before a judgment or decree for payment of any money due has been obtained by the Trustee, as provided in this Article 5, a Majority of the Controlling Class may on behalf of the Holders of all the Notes (including the Note Components), with respect to the Notes waive any past Default and its consequences, except a Default:

(a) in the payment of the principal or Redemption Price of any Note or in the payment of interest (including Defaulted Interest, Deferred Interest, and any interest on Defaulted Interest or Deferred Interest) on the Notes;

(b) with respect to a provision of this Indenture that under Section 8.2 cannot be modified or amended without the waiver or consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected by the modification or amendment;

(c) in the payment of amounts due to the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee or the Hedge Counterparty, which may only be waived with the consent of the affected party; or

(d) arising as a result of an Event of Default described in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h).

Upon any such waiver, the Default shall cease to exist, and any Event of Default arising from it shall be cured, for every purpose of this Indenture, but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other Default or impair any right consequent thereto. The Trustee shall promptly give written notice of any such waiver to the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Holder of Notes (including the Note Components).

**Section 5.15. *Undertaking for Costs.***

All parties to this Indenture agree, and each Holder of any Note (including any Note Component) by its acceptance of its Note agrees, that in any suit for the enforcement of any right under this Indenture, or in any suit against the Trustee or the Portfolio Manager for any action taken or omitted by it as Trustee or for any action taken or omitted by the Portfolio Manager, as applicable, any court may in its discretion require the filing by any party litigant in the suit of an undertaking to pay the costs of the suit, and that the court may in its discretion assess reasonable costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, against any party litigant in the suit, having due regard to the merits and good faith of the claims or defenses made by the party litigant. This Section 5.15 shall not apply to any suit instituted by the Trustee or the Portfolio Manager, to any suit instituted by any Holder, or group of Holders, of Notes holding in the aggregate more than 10% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, or to any suit instituted by any Holder of Securities for the enforcement of the payment of the principal of or interest on any Note or Composite Security or any other amount payable under this Indenture after the applicable Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, after the applicable Redemption Date).

Section 5.16. ***Waiver of Stay or Extension Laws.***

To the extent that they may lawfully do so, the Co-Issuers covenant that they will not at any time insist on, or plead, or in any manner whatsoever claim or take the benefit or advantage of, any stay or extension law or any valuation, appraisal, redemption, or marshalling law or rights, in each case wherever enacted, now or at any time hereafter in force, that may affect the covenants, the performance of, or any remedies under this Indenture. To the extent that they may lawfully do so, the Co-Issuers expressly waive all benefit or advantage of any such law or rights, and covenant that they shall not delay or impede the execution of any power in this Indenture granted to the Trustee or the Holders of the Securities but will permit the execution of every power as though the law had not been enacted or rights created.

Section 5.17. ***Sale of Collateral.***

(a) The power to effect any sale (a "***Sale***") of any portion of the Collateral pursuant to Sections 5.4 and 5.5 shall not be exhausted by any one or more Sales as to any portion of the Collateral remaining unsold, but shall continue unimpaired until the entire Collateral is sold or all amounts secured by the Collateral have been paid. The Trustee may upon notice to the Holders of the Securities and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), and shall, at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class with respect to Collateral, from time to time postpone any Sale by public announcement made at the time and place of the Sale. The Trustee waives its rights to any amount fixed by law as compensation for any Sale. The Trustee may deduct the reasonable expenses incurred by it in connection with a Sale from its proceeds notwithstanding Section 6.7.

(b) The Trustee may bid for and acquire any portion of the Collateral in connection with a public Sale of the Collateral, and may pay all or part of the purchase price by crediting against amounts owing on the Notes (including the Note Components) or other amounts secured by the Collateral all or part of the net proceeds of the Sale after deducting the reasonable expenses incurred by the Trustee in connection with the Sale notwithstanding Section 6.7. The Notes need not be produced to complete any Sale, or for the net proceeds of the Sale to be credited against amounts owing on the Notes. The Trustee may hold, lease, operate, manage, or otherwise deal with any property so acquired in any manner permitted by law in accordance with this Indenture.

(c) If any portion of the Collateral consists of securities issued without registration under the Securities Act ("***Unregistered Securities***"), the Trustee may seek an Opinion of Counsel, or, if no Opinion of Counsel can be obtained, seek a no action position from the Securities and Exchange Commission or any other relevant federal or state regulatory authorities, regarding the legality of a public or private Sale of the Unregistered Securities.

(d) The Trustee shall execute and deliver an appropriate instrument of transfer transferring its interest in any portion of the Collateral in connection with its Sale. In addition, the Trustee is irrevocably appointed the agent and attorney-in-fact of the Issuer to transfer its interest in any portion of the Collateral in connection with its Sale, and to take all action necessary to effect the Sale. No purchaser or transferee at a Sale shall be bound to ascertain the Trustee's authority, to inquire into the satisfaction of any conditions precedent, or see to the application of any monies.

Section 5.18. ***Action on the Notes.***

The Trustee's right to seek and recover judgment on the Notes (including the Note Components) or under this Indenture shall not be affected by the seeking or obtaining of or application for any other relief under or with respect to this Indenture. Neither the lien of this Indenture nor any rights or remedies of the Trustee or the Holders of the Securities shall be impaired

by the recovery of any judgment by the Trustee against the Issuer or by the levy of any execution under the judgment on any portion of the Collateral or on any of the assets of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

## ARTICLE 6

### THE TRUSTEE

#### Section 6.1. *Certain Duties and Responsibilities.*

(a) Except during the continuance of an Event of Default:

(i) the Trustee undertakes to perform the duties and only the duties specifically provided in this Indenture, and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Indenture against the Trustee; and

(ii) in the absence of bad faith on its part, the Trustee may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements and the correctness of the opinions expressed therein, on certificates or opinions furnished to the Trustee and conforming to the requirements of this Indenture; the Trustee shall examine any certificates or opinions that by any provision of this Indenture are specifically required to be furnished to the Trustee to determine whether or not they substantially conform on their face to the requirements of this Indenture and shall promptly notify the party delivering the same if the certificate or opinion does not conform. If a corrected form has not been delivered to the Trustee within 15 days after the notice from the Trustee, the Trustee shall so notify the Holders of the Securities and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares).

(b) If the Trustee has actual knowledge that an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall, before the receipt of directions from a Majority of the Controlling Class, exercise the rights and powers vested in it by this Indenture, and use the same degree of care and skill in its exercise, as a prudent person would use under the circumstances in the conduct of the person's own affairs.

(c) No provision of this Indenture shall be construed to relieve the Trustee from liability for its own negligent action, its own negligent failure to act, or its own willful misconduct, except that:

(i) this subsection shall not be construed to limit the effect of subsection (a) of this Section 6.1;

(ii) the Trustee shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by a Trust Officer, unless it is proven that the Trustee was negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts;

(iii) the Trustee shall not be liable with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in good faith in accordance with the direction of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or the Portfolio Manager in accordance with this Indenture or a Majority (or the other percentage required by this Indenture) of the Controlling Class (or other Class if required or permitted by this Indenture) relating to the time, method, and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred on the Trustee, under this Indenture; and



(iv) no provision of this Indenture shall require the Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any extraordinary financial liability in the performance of any of its duties under this Indenture, or in the exercise of any of its rights contemplated under this Indenture, if it has reasonable grounds for believing that repayment of the funds or indemnity satisfactory to it against the risk or liability is not reasonably assured to it; provided that the reasonable costs of performing its ordinary services under this Indenture shall not be deemed an "extraordinary financial liability" for purposes hereof.

(d) For all purposes under this Indenture, the Trustee shall not have notice or knowledge of any Event of Default described in Section 5.1(d) through 5.1(i) or any Default described in Section 5.1(e) through 5.1(i) unless a Trust Officer assigned to and working in the Corporate Trust Office has actual knowledge of it or unless written notice of any event that is in fact the an Event of Default or Default is received by the Trustee at the Corporate Trust Office, and the notice references the Notes generally, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Collateral or this Indenture. For purposes of determining the Trustee's responsibility and liability under this Indenture, whenever reference is made in this Indenture to an Event of Default or a Default, the reference shall be construed to refer only to an Event of Default or Default of which the Trustee has notice as described in this Section 6.1.

(e) Whether or not therein expressly so provided, every provision of this Indenture relating to the conduct or affecting the liability of or affording protection to the Trustee shall be subject to this Section 6.1 and Section 6.3.

**Section 6.2. *Notice of Default.***

Promptly (and in no event later than five Business Days) after the occurrence of any Default known to the Trustee or after any declaration of acceleration has been made or delivered to the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.2, the Trustee shall transmit notice of all Defaults under this Indenture known to the Trustee, unless the Default has been cured or waived, and of the declaration by mail to the Portfolio Manager and the Co-Issuers, each Rating Agency, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and to all Holders of Securities, as their names and addresses appear on the Indenture Register, the Irish Stock Exchange, for so long as any Class of Securities is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee).

**Section 6.3. *Certain Rights of Trustee.***

Except as otherwise provided in Section 6.1:

(a) the Trustee may rely and shall be protected in acting or refraining from acting on any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, note, or other paper or document (including but not limited to any reports prepared and delivered under Article 10) believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties;

(b) any request or direction of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer mentioned in this Indenture shall be sufficiently evidenced by an Issuer Request or Issuer Order;

(c) whenever in the administration of this Indenture the Trustee

(i) deems it desirable that a matter be proved or established before taking, suffering, or omitting any action under this Indenture, the Trustee may, in the absence of

bad faith on its part, rely on an Officer's certificate (unless other evidence is specifically prescribed in this Indenture) or

(ii) is required to determine the value of, or any other matter with respect to, any Collateral or funds under this Indenture or the cash flows projected to be received therefrom, the Trustee may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely on reports of nationally recognized accountants, investment bankers, or other persons qualified to provide the information required to make the determination, including nationally recognized dealers in securities of the type being valued and securities quotation services;

(d) as a condition to taking or omitting to take any action under this Indenture, the Trustee may consult with counsel and the advice of the counsel or any Opinion of Counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection with respect to any action taken or omitted by it under this Indenture in good faith and in reliance thereon;

(e) the Trustee need not exercise any of the rights or powers vested in it by this Indenture at the request or direction of any of the Holders of the Securities pursuant to this Indenture, unless the Holders have offered to the Trustee security or indemnity satisfactory to it against the costs and liabilities that might reasonably be incurred by it in compliance with the request or direction;

(f) the Trustee need not make any investigation into the facts or matters stated in any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, note, or other paper or document, but the Trustee, in its discretion, may, and upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class or of a Rating Agency shall, make any the further inquiry or investigation into the facts or matters that it deems appropriate or as it is directed, and the Trustee shall be entitled, on reasonable prior notice to the Co-Issuers and the Portfolio Manager, to examine the books and records relating to the Notes, the Collateral, personally or by agent or attorney, during the Co-Issuers' or the Portfolio Manager's normal business hours. The Trustee shall, and shall cause its agents to, hold in confidence all such information, except to the extent (i) disclosure may be required by law by any regulatory or administrative authority and (ii) that the Trustee, in its sole judgment, determines that disclosure is consistent with its obligations under this Indenture; provided, however, that the Trustee may disclose on a confidential basis any such information to its agents, attorneys and auditors in connection with the performance of its responsibilities hereunder;

(g) the Trustee may execute any of the trusts or powers under this Indenture or perform any duties under this Indenture either directly or by or through agents or attorneys, and the Trustee shall not be responsible for any misconduct or negligence on the part of any non-Affiliated agent, or non-Affiliated attorney, appointed with due care by it under this Indenture;

(h) the Trustee shall not be liable for any action it takes or omits to take in good faith that it reasonably believes to be authorized or within its rights or powers under this Indenture;

(i) nothing in this Indenture shall be construed to impose an obligation on the Trustee to recalculate, evaluate, or verify any report, certificate, or information received from the Issuer or Portfolio Manager;

(j) the Trustee may request and receive (and rely on) instruction from the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, or the accountants identified in the Accountants' Certificate (and in the absence of its receipt of timely instruction from them, may obtain from an Independent accountant at the expense of the Issuer) as to the application of GAAP to the extent any defined term in this Indenture, or any calculation required to be made or determined by the Trustee under this Indenture, is

dependent on or defined by reference to United States generally accepted accounting principles ("**GAAP**"), in any instance;

(k) the permissive rights of the Trustee to take or refrain from taking any actions enumerated in this Indenture are not duties;

(l) the Trustee is not responsible for the accuracy of the books and records of, or for any acts or omissions of, the Depository, any Transfer Agent, Custodian, Securities Intermediary, Collateral Administrator, Clearstream, Euroclear, Calculation Agent, or any Paying Agent (in each case, other than the Bank acting in that capacity);

(m) in making or disposing of any investment permitted by this Indenture, the Trustee is authorized to deal with itself (in its individual capacity) or with any one or more of its Affiliates, whether it or the Affiliate is acting as a subagent of the Trustee or for any third person or dealing as principal for its own account. If otherwise qualified, obligations of the Bank or any of its Affiliates shall qualify as Eligible Investments under this Indenture; and

(n) if the Bank is also acting in the capacity of Paying Agent, Transfer Agent, Custodian, Calculation Agent, or Securities Intermediary under this Indenture, the rights protections, immunities, and indemnities afforded to the Trustee pursuant to this Article 6 shall also be afforded to the Bank acting in those capacities.

#### Section 6.4. ***Not Responsible for Recitals or Issuance of Securities.***

The recitals contained in this Indenture and in the Securities, other than the Certificate of Authentication, shall be taken as the statements of the Applicable Issuers. The Trustee assumes no responsibility for their correctness. The Trustee makes no representation as to the validity or sufficiency of this Indenture (except as may be made with respect to the validity of the Trustee's obligations under this Indenture), the Collateral or the Securities. The Trustee shall not be accountable for the use or application by the Co-Issuers of the Securities or their proceeds or any money paid to the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture.

#### Section 6.5. ***May Hold Securities.***

The Trustee, any Paying Agent, Indenture Registrar, or any other agent of the Co-Issuers, in its individual or any other capacity, may become the owner or pledgee of Securities and may otherwise deal with the Co-Issuers or any of their Affiliates with the same rights it would have if it were not Trustee, Paying Agent, Indenture Registrar, or other agent.

#### Section 6.6. ***Money Held in Trust.***

Money held by the Trustee under this Indenture shall be held in trust to the extent required in this Indenture. The Trustee shall be under no liability for interest on any money received by it under this Indenture except as otherwise agreed on with the Issuer and except to the extent of income or other gain on investments that are deposits in or certificates of deposit of the Bank in its commercial capacity and income or other gain actually received by the Trustee on Eligible Investments. Under no circumstances shall the Trustee be responsible for any losses on investments made in accordance with an Issuer Order or a written order or request by the Portfolio Manager, unless such investment is made in an obligation of the Trustee in its corporate capacity.

#### Section 6.7. ***Compensation and Reimbursement.***

(a) The Issuer agrees:

(i) to pay the Trustee on each Payment Date reasonable compensation for all services rendered by it under this Indenture in accordance with its letter agreement with the Trustee (which compensation shall not be limited by any provision of law in regard to the compensation of a trustee of an express trust);

(ii) except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture or in its letter agreement with the Trustee, to reimburse the Trustee in a timely manner upon its request for all reasonable expenses, disbursements, and advances incurred or made by the Trustee in accordance with this Indenture (including securities transaction charges and the reasonable compensation and expenses and disbursements of its agents and legal counsel and of any accounting firm or investment banking firm employed by the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.4, 5.5, 10.5, or 10.7, except any such expense, disbursement, or advance attributable to its negligence, willful misconduct, or bad faith) but with respect to securities transaction charges, only to the extent they have not been waived during a Due Period due to the Trustee's receipt of a payment from a financial institution with respect to certain Eligible Investments, as specified by the Portfolio Manager;

(iii) to indemnify the Trustee and its officers, directors, employees, and agents for any loss, liability, or expense incurred without negligence, willful misconduct, or bad faith on their part, arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of this trust, including the costs and expenses of defending themselves (including reasonable attorney's fees and costs) against any claim or liability in connection with the exercise or performance of any of their powers or duties under this Indenture; and

(iv) to pay the Trustee reasonable additional compensation together with its expenses (including reasonable counsel fees and costs) for any collection action taken pursuant to Section 6.13.

(b) The Trustee shall receive amounts pursuant to this Section 6.7 as provided in Sections 11.1(a)(i) and (ii) but only to the extent that funds are available for their payment. Subject to Section 6.9, the Trustee shall continue to serve as Trustee under this Indenture notwithstanding the fact that the Trustee has not received amounts due to it under this Indenture. No direction by the Holders of the Securities shall affect the right of the Trustee to collect amounts owed to it under this Indenture. If on any date when a fee is payable to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture insufficient funds are available for its payment any portion of a fee not so paid shall be deferred and payable on the next date on which a fee is payable and sufficient funds are available for it.

(c) The Trustee agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy for the non-payment to the Trustee of any amounts provided by this Section 6.7 until at least one year and one day, or if longer the applicable preference period then in effect plus one day, after the payment in full of all Securities issued under this Indenture and the payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent of all amounts payable with respect to the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Nothing in this Section 6.7(c) shall prohibit or otherwise prevent the Trustee from filing proofs of claim in any bankruptcy, insolvency or similar proceeding.

#### Section 6.8. ***Corporate Trustee Required; Eligibility.***

There shall at all times be a Trustee under this Indenture that is an Independent entity organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America or of any state of the United States, authorized under those laws to exercise corporate trust powers, having a combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000, subject to supervision or examination by federal or state banking authority, having a rating of at least "Baa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) by Moody's and at least "BBB+" by S&P, and having an office within the United

States. If the Trustee publishes reports of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or to the requirements of its supervising or examining authority, then for the purposes of this Section 6.8, the combined capital and surplus of the Trustee shall be its combined capital and surplus in its most recent published report of condition. If at any time the Trustee ceases to be eligible in accordance with this Section 6.8, it shall resign immediately in the manner and with the effect specified in Section 6.9.

**Section 6.9. *Resignation and Removal; Appointment of Successor.***

(a) No resignation or removal of the Trustee and no appointment of a successor Trustee pursuant to this Article 6 shall become effective until the acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee under Section 6.10. The indemnification in favor of the Trustee shall survive any resignation or removal of the Trustee.

(b) The Trustee may resign at any time by giving not less than 30 days written notice to the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager, the Holders of the Securities, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency. Upon receiving the notice of resignation, the Co-Issuers shall at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class promptly appoint a successor trustee satisfying the requirements of Section 6.8, by written instrument, in duplicate, executed by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer and an Authorized Officer of the Co-Issuer, one copy of which shall be delivered to the resigning Trustee and one copy to the successor Trustee, together with a copy to each Holder of Securities, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and the Portfolio Manager. If no successor Trustee has been appointed and an instrument of acceptance by a successor Trustee has not been delivered to the Trustee within 60 days after the giving of the notice of resignation, the resigning Trustee or any Holder of a Security, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee satisfying the requirements of Section 6.8.

(c) The Trustee may be removed (i) at any time by an Act of a Majority of each Class of Securities, (ii) at any time when an Event of Default is continuing by a Majority of the Controlling Class, or (iii) by order of a court of competent jurisdiction, delivered to the Trustee and to the Co-Issuers.

(d) If at any time:

(i) the Trustee ceases to be eligible under Section 6.8 and fails to resign after written request by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class; or

(ii) the Trustee becomes incapable of acting or is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent or a receiver or liquidator of the Trustee or of its property appointed or any public officer takes charge or control of the Trustee or of its property or affairs for the purpose of rehabilitation, conservation, or liquidation,

then, in any such case (subject to Section 6.9(a)), (A) the Co-Issuers, by Issuer Order, may, and at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall, remove the Trustee, or (B) subject to Section 5.15, or any Holder may, on behalf of itself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(e) If the Trustee is removed or becomes incapable of acting, or if a vacancy occurs in the office of the Trustee for any reason (other than resignation), the Co-Issuers, by Issuer Order or at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, shall promptly appoint a successor Trustee. If

the Co-Issuers fail to appoint a successor Trustee within 60 days after the removal or incapability or the occurrence of the vacancy, a successor Trustee may be appointed by a Majority of the Controlling Class by written instrument delivered to the Issuer and the retiring Trustee. The successor Trustee so appointed shall, upon its acceptance of its appointment, become the successor Trustee and supersede any successor Trustee proposed by the Co-Issuers. If no successor Trustee has been so appointed by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class and accepted appointment pursuant to Section 6.10, subject to Section 5.15, then the Trustee to be replaced, or any Holder, may, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(f) The Co-Issuers shall give prompt notice of each resignation and each removal of the Trustee and each appointment of a successor Trustee by mailing written notice of the event by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the Portfolio Manager, to each Rating Agency, to the Holders of Securities as their names and addresses appear in the Indenture Register and to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares). Each notice shall include the name of the successor Trustee and the address of its Corporate Trust Office. If the Co-Issuers fail to mail the notice within ten days after acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee, the successor Trustee shall cause the notice to be given at the expense of the Co-Issuers.

**Section 6.10. *Acceptance of Appointment by Successor.***

Every successor Trustee appointed under this Indenture shall execute, acknowledge, and deliver to the Co-Issuers and the retiring Trustee an instrument accepting its appointment. Upon delivery of the required instruments, the resignation or removal of the retiring Trustee shall become effective and the successor Trustee, without any further act, shall become vested with all the rights and obligations of the retiring Trustee; but, on request of the Co-Issuers or a Majority of any Class of Notes or the successor Trustee, the retiring Trustee shall, upon payment of any amounts then due to it, execute and deliver an instrument transferring to the successor Trustee all the rights and obligations of the retiring Trustee, and shall duly assign, transfer, and deliver to the successor Trustee all property and money held by the retiring Trustee under this Indenture. Upon request of any successor Trustee, the Co-Issuers shall execute any instruments to more fully and certainly vest in and confirm to the successor Trustee all the rights and obligations of the Trustee under this Indenture.

No successor Trustee shall accept its appointment unless at the time of its acceptance the successor is qualified and eligible under Section 6.8 and either (a) each Rating Agency has been notified and the successor has long-term debt rated within the four highest rating categories by each Rating Agency, or (b) if not rated within the four highest categories by each Rating Agency, the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto.

**Section 6.11. *Merger, Conversion, Consolidation, or Succession to Business of Trustee.***

Any entity into which the Trustee may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any entity resulting from any merger, conversion, or consolidation to which the Trustee is a party, or any entity succeeding to all or substantially all of the corporate trust business of the Trustee, shall be the successor of the Trustee under this Indenture (and of the Bank under all of its other capacities under this Indenture, including as Custodian, Securities Intermediary, Indenture Registrar, and Paying Agent) without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto. If any of the Securities have been authenticated, but not delivered, by the Trustee then in office, any successor by merger, conversion, or consolidation to the authenticating Trustee may adopt the authentication and deliver the Securities so authenticated with the same effect as if the successor Trustee had itself authenticated the Securities.

Section 6.12. ***Co-Trustees.***

At any time, to meet the legal requirements of any jurisdiction in which any part of the Collateral may at the time be located, the Co-Issuers and the Trustee may appoint a co-trustee (subject to the approval of the Rating Agencies) to act jointly with the Trustee, with respect to all or any part of the Collateral, with the power to file proofs of claim and take any other actions pursuant to Section 5.6 in this Indenture and to make claims and enforce rights of action on behalf of the Holders of the Securities and the, as the Holders themselves have the right to do, subject to the other provisions of this Section 6.12.

The Co-Issuers shall join with the Trustee in the execution, delivery, and performance of all instruments and agreements necessary or proper to appoint a co-trustee. If the Co-Issuers do not join in the appointment within 15 days after they receive a request to do so, the Trustee may make the appointment.

Any instruments to more fully confirm a co-trustee's appointment shall, on request, be executed, acknowledged, and delivered by the Co-Issuers. The Co-Issuers agree to pay (but only from and to the extent of the Collateral), to the extent funds are available therefor under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1), any reasonable fees and expenses in connection with the appointment.

Every co-trustee shall, to the extent permitted by law, but to that extent only, be appointed subject to the following terms:

(a) the Securities shall be authenticated and delivered and all rights and obligations under this Indenture in respect of the custody of securities, cash, and other personal property held by, or required to be deposited or pledged with, the Trustee under this Indenture, shall be exercised solely by the Trustee;

(b) the rights and obligations conferred or imposed on the Trustee in respect of any property covered by the appointment of a co-trustee shall be conferred or imposed on and exercised or performed by the Trustee or by the Trustee and the co-trustee jointly as provided in the instrument appointing the co-trustee;

(c) the Trustee at any time, by an instrument in writing executed by it, with the concurrence of the Co-Issuers evidenced by an Issuer Order, may accept the resignation of or remove any co-trustee appointed under this Section 6.12, and if an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall have the power to accept the resignation of, or remove, any co-trustee without the concurrence of the Co-Issuers. A successor to any co-trustee so resigned or removed may be appointed in the manner provided in this Section 6.12;

(d) no co-trustee under this Indenture shall be personally liable because of any act or omission of the Trustee under this Indenture;

(e) the Trustee shall not be liable because of any act or omission of a co-trustee; and

(f) any Act of Holders of Notes delivered to the Trustee shall be deemed to have been delivered to each co-trustee.

Section 6.13. ***Certain Duties of Trustee Related to Delayed Payment of Proceeds.***

If in any month the Trustee has not received a payment with respect to any Pledged Obligation on its Due Date:

(a) the Trustee shall promptly notify the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager in writing, and

(b) unless the payment is received by the Trustee within three Business Days (or the end of the applicable grace period for the payment, if longer) after the notice, or unless the Issuer, in its absolute discretion (but only to the extent permitted by Section 10.2(a)), makes provision for the payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with Section 10.2(a),

the Trustee shall request the issuer of the Pledged Obligation, the trustee under the related Underlying Instrument, or paying agent designated by either of them to make the payment as soon as practicable after the request but in no event later than three Business Days after the date of the request. If the payment is not made within that time period, the Trustee, subject to clause (iv) of Section 6.1(c), shall take the action directed by the Portfolio Manager in writing. Any such action shall be without prejudice to any right to claim a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture. If the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager requests a release of a Pledged Obligation or delivers a Collateral Obligation in connection with any such action under the Management Agreement, the release or substitution shall be subject to Section 10.6 and Article 12. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the Trustee shall deliver to the Issuer or its designee any payment with respect to any Pledged Obligation or any Collateral Obligation received after its Due Date to the extent the Issuer previously made provisions for the payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with this Section 6.13 and the payment shall not be part of the Collateral.

#### Section 6.14. *Authenticating Agents.*

Upon the request of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee shall, and if the Trustee so chooses the Trustee may, appoint one or more Authenticating Agents with power to act on its behalf and subject to its direction in the authentication of the Securities in connection with issuance, transfers, and exchanges under Sections 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, and 8.5, as fully to all intents and purposes as though each Authenticating Agent had been expressly authorized by those Sections to authenticate the Securities. For all purposes of this Indenture, the authentication of Securities by an Authenticating Agent pursuant to this Section 6.14 shall be the authentication of the Securities "by the Trustee."

Any Authenticating Agent may at any time resign by giving written notice of resignation to the Trustee and the Issuer. The Trustee may at any time terminate the agency of any Authenticating Agent by giving written notice of termination to the Authenticating Agent and the Co-Issuers.

The Co-Issuers agree to pay to each Authenticating Agent from time to time reasonable compensation for its services, and reimbursement for its reasonable expenses relating to its services as an Administrative Expense; provided, however, that if the Trustee elects to appoint an Authenticating Agent without the approval or request of the Co-Issuers, then the Trustee shall pay such compensation and reimbursement. Sections 2.9, 6.4, and 6.5 shall be applicable to any Authenticating Agent.

#### Section 6.15. *Fiduciary for Holders of Notes Only; Agent for Secured Parties.*

With respect to the security interest created under this Indenture, the delivery of any Pledged Obligation to the Trustee is to the Trustee as representative of the Holders of Notes and agent for the other Secured Parties. In furtherance of the foregoing, the possession by the Trustee of any Pledged Obligation and the endorsement to or registration in the name of the Trustee of any Pledged Obligation (including as entitlement holder of the Custodial Account) are all undertaken by the Trustee in its capacity as representative of the Holders of Notes and agent for the other Secured Parties.



Section 6.16. ***Representations and Warranties of the Bank.***

The Bank represents and warrants as follows for the benefit of the Noteholders and the Composite Securityholders:

- (a) ***Organization.*** The Bank has been duly organized and is validly existing as a national banking association and has the power to conduct its business and affairs as a trustee.
- (b) ***Authorization; Binding Obligations.*** The Bank has the corporate power and authority to perform the duties and obligations of trustee under this Indenture. The Bank has taken all necessary corporate action to authorize the execution, delivery, and performance of this Indenture, and all of the documents required to be executed by the Bank pursuant to this Indenture. Upon execution and delivery by the Bank, this Indenture will be the valid and legally binding obligation of the Bank enforceable in accordance with its terms.
- (c) ***Eligibility.*** The Bank is eligible under Section 6.8 to serve as Trustee under this Indenture.

Section 6.17. ***Additional Reporting Requirements.***

If the Placement Agents elect to enter into a posting dealer agreement pursuant to Section 7.20, upon the effectiveness of the posting dealer agreement, the Issuer shall provide to The Bond Market Association certain documents for posting in the Repository as mutually agreed between the Portfolio Manager and the Placement Agents.

If the Placement Agents have entered into a posting dealer agreement, as promptly as possible following the execution of any supplemental indenture under Article 8, the Trustee at the expense of the Issuer shall deliver a copy of such supplemental indenture to the Repository in the manner described in Section 14.3(a)(viii).

ARTICLE 7

COVENANTS

Section 7.1. ***Payment of Principal and Interest.***

The Applicable Issuers shall pay the principal of and interest on the Securities in accordance with the Securities and this Indenture.

The Issuer shall, subject to the Priority of Payments, reimburse the Co-Issuer for any amounts paid by the Co-Issuer pursuant to the Securities or this Indenture. The Co-Issuer shall not reimburse the Issuer for any amounts paid by the Issuer pursuant to the Securities or this Indenture.

Amounts properly withheld under the Code or other applicable law by any person from a payment to any Holder shall be considered as having been paid by the applicable Issuers to the Holder for all purposes of this Indenture.

Section 7.2. ***Maintenance of Office or Agency.***

The Co-Issuers appoint the Trustee as a Paying Agent for the payment of principal of and interest on the Notes. The Co-Issuers appoint JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, New York Plaza, Ground Floor, New York, NY 10004, Attn: Worldwide Securities Services (Houston) — Jasper CLO Ltd., as the Co-Issuers' agent where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in

respect of the Securities or this Indenture may be served and where the Securities may be surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

The Co-Issuers may at any time and from time to time vary or terminate the appointment of any Paying Agent or appoint any additional agents for all of these purposes.

The Co-Issuers shall maintain in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, an office or agency where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Securities and this Indenture may be served and an office or agency outside of the United States where the Securities may be presented and surrendered for payment.

No paying agent shall be appointed in a jurisdiction that subjects payments on the Securities to withholding tax.

So long as any Class of Securities is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, the Co-Issuers shall maintain in Ireland a Paying Agent and an office or agency where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Securities and this Indenture may be served and where the Securities may be surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

The Co-Issuers appoint, for so long as any Class of Securities is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, AIB International Financial Services Ltd. (the "***Irish Paying Agent***") as Paying Agent in Ireland with respect to the Securities, for the payment of principal, interest and other distributions on the Securities and as the Co-Issuers' agent where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Securities or this Indenture may be served. If the Irish Paying Agent is replaced at any time when any Class of Securities is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, notice of the appointment of any replacement shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange as promptly as practicable after the appointment. The Co-Issuers shall give prompt written notice to the Trustee, each Rating Agency, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and the Holders of the Securities of the appointment or termination of any such agent and of the location and any change in the location of any such office or agency.

If at any time the Co-Issuers fail to maintain any required office or agency in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, or outside the United States, or fail to furnish the Trustee with their addresses, notices and demands may be served on the Co-Issuers.

### Section 7.3. ***Money for Note Payments to be Held in Trust.***

All payments of amounts payable with respect to any Securities that are to be made from amounts withdrawn from the Payment Account shall be made on behalf of the Applicable Issuers by the Trustee or a Paying Agent with respect to payments on the Securities.

When the Applicable Issuers have a Paying Agent that is not also the Indenture Registrar, they shall furnish no later than the fifth calendar day after each Record Date a list in the form the Paying Agent reasonably requests, of the names and addresses of the Holders and of the certificate numbers of individual Securities held by each Holder.

Whenever the Applicable Issuers have a Paying Agent other than the Trustee, they shall, on or before the Business Day before each Payment Date or Redemption Date direct the Trustee to deposit on the Payment Date with the Paying Agent an aggregate sum sufficient to pay the amounts then becoming due (to the extent funds are then available for that purpose in the Payment Account), that sum to be held in trust for the benefit of the persons entitled to it and (unless the Paying Agent is the Trustee) the Co-Issuers shall promptly notify the Trustee of its action or failure so to act. Any monies deposited with a Paying Agent (other than the Trustee) in excess of an amount sufficient to

pay the amounts then becoming due on the Securities with respect to which the deposit was made shall be paid over by the Paying Agent to the Trustee for application in accordance with Article 10.

Additional or successor Paying Agents shall be appointed by Issuer Order with written notice of the appointment to the Trustee. So long as Notes of any Class are rated by a Rating Agency any Paying Agent must either have a long-term debt rating of "Aa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or higher by Moody's and "AA-" or higher by S&P or a short-term debt rating of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P or the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency must be satisfied with respect to its appointment. If a successor Paying Agent ceases to have a long-term debt rating of "Aa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or higher by Moody's and "AA-" or higher by S&P or a short-term debt rating of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) by Moody's and a short-term debt rating of "A-1+" by S&P, the Co-Issuers shall promptly remove the Paying Agent and appoint a successor Paying Agent. The Co-Issuers shall not appoint any Paying Agent that is not, at the time of the appointment, a depository institution or trust company subject to supervision and examination by federal or state or national banking authorities. The Co-Issuers shall cause each Paying Agent other than the Trustee to execute and deliver to the Trustee an instrument in which the Paying Agent agrees with the Trustee, subject to this Section 7.3, that the Paying Agent will:

- (i) allocate all sums received for payment to the Holders of Securities for which it acts as Paying Agent on each Payment Date and any Redemption Date among the Holders in the proportion specified in the applicable report to the extent permitted by applicable law;
- (ii) hold all sums held by it for the payment of amounts due with respect to the Securities in trust for the benefit of the persons entitled to them until they are paid or otherwise disposed of as provided in this Indenture;
- (iii) immediately resign as a Paying Agent and forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums held by it in trust for the payment of the Securities if at any time it ceases to meet the standards required to be met by a Paying Agent at the time of its appointment;
- (iv) immediately give the Trustee notice of any default by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer (or any other obligor on the Notes) in the making of any payment required to be made; and
- (v) during the continuance of any such default, upon the written request of the Trustee, forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums so held in trust by the Paying Agent.

To obtain the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture or for any other purpose, the Co-Issuers may at any time pay, or by Issuer Order direct any Paying Agent to pay, to the Trustee all sums held in trust by the Co-Issuers or the Paying Agent, and, upon the payment by any Paying Agent to the Trustee, the Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to the money paid.

Any money deposited with a Paying Agent and not previously returned that remains unclaimed for 20 Business Days shall be returned to the Trustee. Except as otherwise required by applicable law, any money deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for the payment of the principal of or interest on any Security and remaining unclaimed for two years after the principal or interest has become payable shall be paid to the Applicable Issuers. The Holder of the Security shall thereafter look only to the Applicable Issuers for payment of the amounts due to it as an unsecured general creditor and all liability of the Trustee or the Paying Agent with respect to that money (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Applicable Issuers) shall thereupon

cease. The Trustee or the Paying Agent, before being required to release any payment, may, but shall not be required to, adopt and employ, at the expense of the Applicable Issuers any reasonable means of notification of the release of the payment, including mailing notice of the release to Holders whose Securities have been called but have not been surrendered for redemption or whose right to or interest in monies payable but not claimed is determinable from the records of any Paying Agent, at the last address of record of each Holder.

Section 7.4. *Existence of Co-Issuers.*

(a) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall maintain in full force their existence and rights as companies incorporated or organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands and the State of Delaware, respectively, and shall obtain and preserve their qualification to do business as foreign corporations in each jurisdiction in which the qualifications are necessary to protect the validity and enforceability of this Indenture, the Securities, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and any of the Collateral.

However, the Issuer may change its jurisdiction of incorporation from the Cayman Islands to any other jurisdiction reasonably selected by the Issuer so long as:

(A) the Issuer has received a legal opinion (on which the Trustee may rely) to the effect that the change is not disadvantageous in any material respect to the Holders, the Portfolio Manager or any Hedge Counterparty,

(B) written notice of the change has been given by the Issuer to the Trustee, the Holders of the Securities, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Portfolio Manager, any Hedge Counterparty and each Rating Agency, and

(C) on or before the 15th Business Day following its receipt of the notice the Trustee has not received written notice from a Majority of the Controlling Class objecting to the change.

The Issuer may take any action required by this Indenture within the United States notwithstanding any provision of this Indenture requiring the Issuer to take the action outside of the United States so long as before taking the action the Issuer receives a legal opinion from nationally recognized legal counsel to the effect that it is not necessary to take the action outside of the United States or any political subdivision of the United States to prevent the Issuer from becoming subject to any United States federal, state, or local withholding or other taxes.

(b) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall ensure that all corporate or other formalities regarding their respective existences (including holding regular board of directors' and shareholders', or other similar, meetings to the extent required by applicable law) are followed. Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall take any action, or conduct its affairs in a manner, that is likely to result in its separate existence being ignored or in its assets and liabilities being substantively consolidated with any other person in a bankruptcy, reorganization, or other insolvency proceeding. Without limiting the foregoing,

(i) the Issuer shall not have any subsidiaries other than the Co-Issuer,

(ii) the Co-Issuer shall not have any subsidiaries,

(iii) the Issuer shall maintain at all times at least one director who is Independent of the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, and any of their respective Affiliates,

(iv) the Issuer shall not commingle its funds with the funds of any other person, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture, and

(v) except to the extent contemplated in the Management Agreement, the Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the declaration of trust by the Share Trustee, the Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall not:

(A) have any employees (other than their respective directors),

(B) engage in any transaction with any shareholder that would be a conflict of interest (the entry into the Administration Agreement with the Administrator shall not be deemed a conflict of interest), or

(C) pay dividends in violation of this Indenture, the resolutions of its board of directors and the Preference Share Documents.

Section 7.5. ***Protection of Collateral.***

(a) The Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer will procure any action within the Portfolio Manager's control that is reasonably necessary to maintain the perfection and priority of the security interest of the Trustee in the Collateral. The Issuer from time to time shall execute and deliver any supplements and amendments to this Indenture and shall execute and deliver any Financing Statements, continuation statements, instruments of further assurance, and other instruments and shall take any other action appropriate to secure the rights and remedies of the Secured Parties under this Indenture and to:

(i) Grant more effectively all or any portion of the Collateral;

(ii) maintain or preserve the lien (and its priority) of this Indenture or to carry out more effectively the purposes of this Indenture;

(iii) perfect, publish notice of, or protect the validity of any Grant made by this Indenture (including any actions appropriate as a result of changes in law);

(iv) enforce any of the Pledged Obligations or other instruments or property included in the Collateral;

(v) preserve and defend title to the Collateral and the rights of the Secured Parties in the Collateral against the claims of anyone; and

(vi) pay when due all taxes levied or assessed on any part of the Collateral.

The Issuer designates the Portfolio Manager as its agent and attorney in fact to execute any Financing Statement, continuation statement, and all other instruments, and take all other actions, required pursuant to this Section 7.5.

The Issuer authorizes the filing without the Issuer's signature a financing statement that names the Issuer as "debtor" and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association as "secured party" (with or without indicating its capacity as Trustee hereunder) and that describes the Collateral as "all assets of the debtor, whether now owned or hereafter acquired and wherever located."

(b) The Trustee shall not:

(i) except in accordance with Section 10.6(a), (b), or (c), remove any portion of the Collateral that consists of Cash or is evidenced by an instrument, certificate, or other writing:

(A) from the jurisdiction in which it was held at the date the most recent Opinion of Counsel was delivered pursuant to Section 7.6 (or from the jurisdiction in which it was held as described in the Opinions of Counsel delivered at the Closing Date pursuant to Section 3.1(iii) if no Opinion of Counsel has yet been delivered pursuant to Section 7.6), or

(B) from the possession of the person who held it (other than the Bank), or

(ii) cause or permit ownership or the pledge of any portion of the Collateral that consists of book-entry securities to be recorded on the books of a person (other than the Bank):

(A) located in a different jurisdiction from the jurisdiction in which the ownership or pledge was recorded, or

(B) other than the person on whose books the ownership or pledge was originally recorded, unless the Trustee shall have first received an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the lien and security interest created by this Indenture with respect to the property and its priority will continue to be maintained after giving effect to the change.

(c) Without at least 30 days' prior written notice to the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall not change its "location" (as defined in Section 9-307 of the UCC) or change its name from the name shown on the signature pages of this Indenture.

(d) The Issuer shall, subject to the Priority of Payments, enforce all of its material rights and remedies under the Management Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, each Hedge Agreement and each Securities Lending Agreement.

(e) The Issuer shall pay any taxes levied because any Pledged Obligations are owned by the Issuer.

(f) The Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer will either exercise the "put" option that prevents a Collateral Obligation from being a Long-Dated Collateral Obligation on the last available date before the Stated Maturity of the Notes or sell the Collateral Obligation for Sale Proceeds at least equal to the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation, in either case by the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

#### Section 7.6. *Opinions as to Collateral.*

On or before July 31 in each calendar year, commencing in 2006, the Issuer shall furnish to the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager and each Rating Agency an Opinion of Counsel from each relevant jurisdiction stating that, in the counsel's opinion, as of the date of the opinion, all actions necessary to maintain the lien and security interest created by this Indenture with respect to the Collateral have been taken and that no further action (other than as specified in the opinion) needs to

be taken for the continued effectiveness and perfection of the lien over the next year. The opinion may be subject to customary assumptions and qualifications.

**Section 7.7. *Performance of Obligations.***

(a) The Co-Issuers, each as to itself, shall not take any action, and shall use their reasonable commercial efforts not to permit any action to be taken by others, that would release any person from any of the person's covenants or obligations under any instrument included in the Collateral, except in the case of enforcement action taken with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this Indenture and actions by the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement and in conformity with this Indenture or as otherwise required by this Indenture.

(b) The Applicable Issuers may, with the prior written consent of a Majority of each Class of Notes and a Majority of the Preference Shares (except in the case of the Management Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement as initially executed), contract with other persons (including the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, and the Collateral Administrator) for the performance of actions and obligations to be performed by the Applicable Issuers under this Indenture. Notwithstanding any such arrangement, the Applicable Issuers shall remain primarily liable for performance under this Indenture. The Applicable Issuers shall punctually perform, and use their reasonable commercial efforts to cause the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and any other person to perform, all of their obligations in the Management Agreement, this Indenture, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement or any other agreement.

**Section 7.8. *Negative Covenants.***

(a) The Issuer shall not and, with respect to clauses (ii), (iii), (iv), and (vi), the Co-Issuer shall not, in each case from and after the Closing Date:

(i) sell, transfer, assign, exchange, or otherwise dispose of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecate, or otherwise encumber (or permit or suffer the sale, transfer, assignment, exchange, or other disposition of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecation, or other encumbering of), any part of the Collateral, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and the Management Agreement;

(ii) claim any credit on, make any deduction from, or, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable laws, dispute the enforceability of payment of the principal or interest (or any other amount) payable in respect of the Notes (other than amounts withheld in accordance with the Code or any applicable laws of the Cayman Islands) or assert any claim against any present or future Holder of Notes because of the payment of any taxes levied or assessed on any part of the Collateral;

(iii) (A) incur or assume or guarantee any indebtedness, other than the Securities and this Indenture and the transactions contemplated by this Indenture (including, as contemplated hereby, entering into the Hedge Agreements and Securities Lending Agreements), or (B) issue any additional class of securities other than the Preference Shares issued on or before the Closing Date, except as otherwise permitted by the Preference Share Documents;

(iv) (A) permit the validity or effectiveness of this Indenture or any Grant under this Indenture to be impaired, or permit the lien of this Indenture to be amended, hypothecated, subordinated, terminated, or discharged, or permit any person to be released

from any covenants or obligations with respect to this Indenture or the Securities, except as may be expressly permitted by this Indenture or by the Management Agreement, (B) permit any lien, charge, adverse claim, security interest, mortgage, or other encumbrance (other than the lien of this Indenture) to be created on or extend to or otherwise arise on or burden any part of the Collateral, any interest in it, or its proceeds of, or (C) take any action that would permit the lien of this Indenture not to be a valid first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral;

(v) amend the Management Agreement except pursuant to its terms and Section 15.1(f)(iv) or amend the Collateral Administration Agreement except pursuant to its terms unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the amendment or enter into any waiver in respect of any of the foregoing agreements without providing written notice to each Rating Agency and the Trustee (and, with respect to the Collateral Administration Agreement, without the consent of the Trustee);

(vi) to the extent permitted by applicable law, dissolve or liquidate in whole or in part, except as permitted under this Indenture;

(vii) pay any dividends or other distributions other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents;

(viii) conduct business under any name other than its own;

(ix) have any employees (other than directors and officers to the extent they are employees); or

(x) except for any Underlying Instrument and agreements involving the purchase or sale of Collateral Obligations having customary purchase or sale terms and documented with customary trading documentation (but not excepting any Synthetic Security or Hedge Agreement), enter into any agreement unless the agreement contains "non-petition" and "limited recourse" provisions and shall not amend such "non-petition" and "limited recourse" provisions without prior Rating Confirmation.

(b) Neither the Issuer nor the Trustee shall sell, transfer, exchange, or otherwise dispose of Collateral, or enter into an agreement or commitment to do so, or enter into or engage in any business with respect to any part of the Collateral, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer, the Management Agreement.

(c) The Co-Issuer shall not invest any of its assets in "securities" as the term is defined in the 1940 Act, and shall keep all of its assets in Cash.

(d) Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall use the proceeds of the Securities to buy or carry Margin Stock.

#### Section 7.9. ***Notice of Default; Statement as to Compliance.***

(a) The Co-Issuers shall notify the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Rating Agencies, and each Hedge Counterparty within 10 days of acquiring actual knowledge of Default.

(b) On or before July 31 in each calendar year, commencing in 2006, the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee (to be forwarded by the Trustee to the Portfolio Manager and each Holder of Securities making a written request therefor and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial



Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) and each Rating Agency) a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer that, to the best knowledge of the Issuer, no Default exists, and has not existed since the date of the last certificate or, if a Default does then exist or had existed, specifying the same and its nature and status, including actions undertaken to remedy it, and that the Issuer has complied with all of its obligations under this Indenture or, if that is not the case, specifying those obligations with which it has not complied.

Section 7.10. *Co-Issuers May Consolidate, etc., Only on Certain Terms.*

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer (the "**Merging Entity**") shall consolidate or merge with or into any other person or transfer or convey all or substantially all of its assets to any person, unless permitted by Cayman Islands law (in the case of the Issuer) or United States and Delaware law (in the case of the Co-Issuer) and unless:

(a) the Merging Entity shall be the surviving corporation, or the person (if other than the Merging Entity) formed by the consolidation or into which the Merging Entity is merged or to which all or substantially all of the assets of the Merging Entity are transferred (the "**Successor Entity**"),

(i) if the Merging Entity is the Issuer, is a company organized and existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands or another jurisdiction approved by a Majority of the Controlling Class (except that no approval shall be required in connection with any such transaction undertaken solely to effect a change in the jurisdiction of incorporation pursuant to Section 7.4), and

(ii) in any case shall expressly assume, by an indenture supplemental to this Indenture, executed and delivered to the Trustee and each Noteholder and each Composite Securityholder, the due and punctual payment of all amounts on all Securities issued by the Merging Entity and the performance and observance of every covenant of this Indenture on its part to be performed or observed, all as provided in this Indenture;

(b) each Rating Agency shall have been notified of the consolidation, merger, transfer, or conveyance and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the transaction;

(c) if the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall have agreed with the Trustee,

(i) to observe the same legal requirements for the recognition of the formed or surviving corporation as a legal entity separate and apart from any of its Affiliates as are applicable to the Merging Entity with respect to its Affiliates,

(ii) not to consolidate or merge with or into any other person or transfer or convey the Collateral or all or substantially all of its assets to any other person except in accordance with this Section 7.10; and

(iii) in any case shall expressly assume by an indenture supplemental to this Indenture, executed and delivered to the Trustee, each Noteholder, each Composite Securityholder and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the due and punctual payment of all amounts on all the Securities issued by the Merging Entity and the performance and observance of every covenant of this Indenture on its part to be performed or observed, all as provided in this Indenture;

(d) if the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall have delivered to the Trustee and each Rating Agency an Officer's certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that it is duly organized, validly existing, and in good standing in the jurisdiction in which it is organized; that it has sufficient power and authority to assume the obligations in subsection (a) above and to execute and deliver an indenture supplemental to this Indenture for the purpose of assuming the obligations in subsection (a) above; that it has duly authorized the execution, delivery, and performance of an indenture supplemental to this Indenture for the purpose of assuming the obligations in subsection (a) above and that the supplemental indenture is its valid and legally binding obligation, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject only to bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium, and other laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally and to general principles of equity; if the Merging Entity is the Issuer, that, following the event that causes the Successor Entity to become the successor to the Issuer, (i) the Successor Entity has title, free of any lien, security interest, or charge, other than the lien and security interest of this Indenture, to the Collateral, and (ii) the lien of this Indenture continues to be effective in the Collateral; and in each case as to any other matters the Trustee or any Noteholder or Composite Securityholder reasonably requires;

(e) after giving effect to the transaction, no Default or Event of Default shall be continuing;

(f) the Merging Entity shall have notified each Rating Agency of the consolidation, merger, transfer, or conveyance and shall have delivered to the Trustee, each Noteholder, each Composite Securityholder and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) an Officer's certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that the consolidation, merger, transfer, or conveyance and the supplemental indenture comply with this Article 7 and that all conditions precedent in this Article 7 relating to the transaction have been complied with and that no adverse tax consequences will result therefrom to the Holders of the Securities or Preference Shares;

(g) the Merging Entity shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel stating that after giving effect to the transaction, neither of the Co-Issuers (or, if applicable, the Successor Entity) will be as an investment company under the 1940 Act; and

(h) after giving effect to the transaction, the outstanding stock of the Merging Entity (or, if applicable, the Successor Entity) will not be beneficially owned within the meaning of the 1940 Act by any U.S. Person.

#### Section 7.11. *Successor Substituted.*

Upon any consolidation or merger, or transfer or conveyance of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, in accordance with Section 7.10 in which the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall succeed to, and be substituted for, and may exercise every right of, the Merging Entity under this Indenture with the same effect as if the person had been named as the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, in this Indenture. Upon any such consolidation, merger, transfer, or conveyance, the person named as the "Issuer" or the "Co-Issuer" in the first paragraph of this Indenture or any successor may be dissolved, wound up, and liquidated at any time thereafter, and the person thereafter shall be released from its liabilities as obligor and maker on all the Securities and from its obligations under this Indenture.

#### Section 7.12. *No Other Business.*

(a) From and after the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not engage in any business or activity other than issuing and selling the Securities pursuant to this Indenture and the Preference

Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents and acquiring, owning, holding, and pledging and selling Collateral Obligations and the other Collateral in connection therewith, and shall not act as agent, negotiator or structurer with respect to any Collateral, act as a participant in negotiating terms of a primary loan agreement, enter into a binding commitment to purchase any Collateral prior to the issuance thereof or engage in any transaction or activity not permitted by the Collateral Acquisition Agreement or which the Issuer knows would cause it to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States within the meaning of the Code or subject the Issuer's income to taxation on a net basis in any jurisdiction, and the Co-Issuer shall not engage in any business or activity other than issuing and selling the Notes to be issued by it pursuant to this Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, other activities appropriate to accomplish the foregoing or incidental thereto or connected therewith.

(b) In furtherance and not in limitation of clause (a) of this Section 7.12, the Issuer shall comply with all of the provisions set forth in the Collateral Acquisition Agreement, unless, with respect to a particular transaction, the Issuer and the Trustee shall have received an opinion or advice of tax counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters that, under the relevant facts and circumstances with respect to such transaction, the Issuer's failure to comply with one or more of such provisions will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States within the meaning of the Code or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis. The provisions set forth in the Collateral Acquisition Agreement may be amended, eliminated or supplemented (without execution of a supplemental indenture) if the Issuer and the Trustee shall have received an opinion of tax counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters that the Issuer's compliance with such amended provisions or supplemental provisions or the Issuer's failure to comply with such provisions proposed to be eliminated, as the case may be, will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States within the meaning of the Code or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis provided, however, that written notice of any such amendment, elimination or supplementation of or to the provisions of the Collateral Acquisition Agreement pursuant to this Section 7.12(b) shall be provided to each Rating Agency then rating any Outstanding Class of Securities within 90 days of any such amendment, elimination or supplementation. For the avoidance of doubt, in the event an opinion of tax counsel as described above has been obtained in accordance with the terms hereof, no consent of any Holder of the Securities or satisfaction of the Rating Condition shall be required in order to comply with this Section 7.12(b) in connection with the amendment, elimination or supplementation of any provision of the Collateral Acquisition Agreement contemplated by such opinion of tax counsel.

(c) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer may amend, or permit the amendment of, their Memorandum and Articles or the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the amendment (but not otherwise).

#### Section 7.13. ***Listing on Irish Stock Exchange.***

So long as any Securities remain Outstanding, the Co-Issuers shall use all reasonable efforts to obtain and maintain the listing of the Securities on the Irish Stock Exchange.

#### Section 7.14. ***Annual Rating Review.***

So long as any Securities of any Class remain Outstanding, on or before May, 31 in each year commencing in 2006, the Co-Issuers shall obtain and pay for an annual review or ongoing surveillance of the rating of each Outstanding Class of Securities from each Rating Agency, as applicable. The Co-Issuers shall promptly notify the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager in writing (and the Trustee shall promptly provide a copy of the notice to the Holders of the Securities) and the

Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) if at any time the rating of any Class of Securities has been, or is known will be, changed or withdrawn.

Section 7.15. ***Reporting.***

At any time when the Co-Issuers are not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act and are not exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act, upon the request of a Holder or Beneficial Owner of any Note or a Holder of a Composite Security, the Co-Issuers shall promptly furnish "Rule 144A Information" to the Holder or Beneficial Owner, to a prospective purchaser of a Security designated by the Holder or Beneficial Owner or to the Trustee for delivery to the Holder or Beneficial Owner or a prospective purchaser designated by the Holder or Beneficial Owner, as the case may be, to permit compliance by the Holder or Beneficial Owner with Rule 144A under the Securities Act in connection with the resale of the Security by the Holder or Beneficial Owner. "***Rule 144A Information***" is the information specified pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act.

Section 7.16. ***Calculation Agent.***

(a) The Issuer agrees that for so long as any Floating Rate Notes remain Outstanding an agent will always have been appointed (that does not control and is not controlled by or under common control with the Issuer or its Affiliates) to calculate LIBOR in respect of each Interest Period (the "***Calculation Agent***"). The Issuer has initially appointed the Trustee as Calculation Agent. The Issuer may remove the Calculation Agent at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Issuer or if the Calculation Agent fails to determine any of the information required to be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange, as described in subsection (b), in respect of any Interest Period, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager (on its behalf) shall promptly appoint a replacement Calculation Agent. For so long as any Securities are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, notice of the appointment of any replacement Calculation Agent shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange as promptly as practicable after the appointment. The Calculation Agent may not resign its duties without a successor having been duly appointed.

(b) As soon as possible after 11:00 A.M., London time, on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period, but in no event later than 11:00 A.M., London time, on the next Business Day, the Calculation Agent shall calculate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes for the next Interest Period. The Calculation Agent shall communicate those rates and amounts to the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, each Paying Agent, the Portfolio Manager, Euroclear, Clearstream, the Depository, and, so long as any of the Floating Rate Notes are listed thereon and the rules of the exchange so require, the Irish Stock Exchange. In the latter case, the information shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange as soon as possible after its determination. The Calculation Agent shall separately notify the Irish Stock Exchange of the information. The Calculation Agent shall also specify to the Co-Issuers the quotations on which the foregoing rates are based, and in any event the Calculation Agent shall notify the Co-Issuers before 7:00 P.M., London time, on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period that either:

- (i) it has determined or is in the process of determining the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes, or
- (ii) it has not determined and is not in the process of determining any such Note Interest Rate together with its reasons therefor.

The Calculation Agent's determination of the foregoing rates for any Interest Period shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding on all parties and the Holders and Beneficial Owners of the Preference Shares.

Section 7.17. *Certain Tax Matters.*

(a) For United States federal income tax purposes, the Issuer shall treat the Preference Shares as equity and the Notes as debt. The Issuer shall treat the Class 1 Composite Securities as consisting of Preference Shares corresponding to the Preference Share Component and Class D-2 Notes corresponding to the Class D-2 Component. The Issuer shall treat the Class 2 Composite Securities as consisting of Preference Shares corresponding to the Preference Share Component and Class C Notes corresponding to the Class C Component. Each Holder of a Note, by its acquisition of that Note, agrees to treat those Notes as debt for United States federal income tax purposes. Each Holder of a Class 1 Composite Security, by its acquisition of the Class 1 Composite Security, agrees to treat the Class 1 Composite Securities as consisting of Preference Shares corresponding to the Preference Share Component and Class D-2 Notes corresponding to the Class D-2 Component, and to treat the Preference Shares as equity in the Issuer and the Class D-2 Component as debt for United States federal income tax purposes. Each Holder of a Class 2 Composite Security, by its acquisition of the Class 2 Composite Security, agrees to treat the Class 2 Composite Securities as consisting of Preference Shares corresponding to the Preference Share Component and Class C Notes corresponding to the Class C Component, and to treat the Preference Shares as equity in the Issuer and the Class C Component as debt for United States federal income tax purposes.

(b) The Issuer will not elect to be treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

(c) The Issuer shall file, or cause to be filed, any tax returns, including information tax returns, required by any governmental authority; provided, however, that the Issuer shall not file, or cause to be filed, any income or franchise tax return in any state of the United States unless it shall have obtained an Opinion of Counsel from a tax counsel of nationally recognized standing experienced in such matters prior to such filing that, under the laws of such jurisdiction, the Issuer is required to file such income or franchise tax return.

(d) In order to ensure the Holders' and Beneficial Owners' acquisition of the Securities pursuant to this Agreement are not treated as offered under conditions of confidentiality, the Holders and Beneficial Owners of the Securities (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) are hereby permitted to disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement (including the ownership and disposition of the Securities). For this purpose, the tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction, and the tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction.

(e) If the Issuer is aware that it has purchased an interest in a "reportable transaction" within the meaning of Section 6011 of the Code, and a Holder of a Note or

Composite Security requests information about any such transactions in which the Issuer is an investor, the Issuer shall provide such information it has reasonably available as soon as practicable after such request.

(f) The Issuer shall not conduct any business other than the business that the Issuer is permitted to conduct under this Agreement.

(g) Upon written request by the Independent accountants, the Indenture Registrar shall provide to the Independent accountants that information contained in the Indenture Register requested by the Independent accountants to comply with this Section 7.17.

(h) The Issuer will treat each purchase of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments as a "purchase" for tax accounting and reporting purposes.

Section 7.18. ***Securities Lending.***

(a) So long as no Event of Default is continuing and if after the completion of the transaction the limit in clause (28) of the definition of "Concentration Limitations" would be satisfied, the Portfolio Manager may cause Collateral Obligations that are not Defaulted Collateral Obligations to be lent for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) having long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or guarantors with ratings of at least "A1" (and not "A1" but on credit watch with negative implications) and "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A" from S&P (each, a "***Securities Lending Counterparty***") pursuant to one or more agreements (each, a "***Securities Lending Agreement***"); provided that Collateral Obligations the Market Value of which cannot be determined under clause (i), (ii) or (iii) of that definition may not be lent pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement. Upon receipt of an Issuer Order, the Trustee shall release any lent Collateral Obligations to a Securities Lending Counterparty as directed by the Portfolio Manager. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Placement Agents or Affiliates of the Portfolio Manager. The duration of any Securities Lending Agreement shall not exceed the Stated Maturity of the Securities.

(b) Each Securities Lending Agreement shall be on market terms as determined by the Portfolio Manager (except as may be required below) and shall:

(i) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty return to the Issuer debt obligations that are identical (in terms of issue and class) to the lent Collateral Obligations;

(ii) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty pay to the Issuer amounts equivalent to all interest and other payments that the owner of the lent Collateral Obligation is entitled to for the period during which the Collateral Obligation is lent and require that any such payments not be subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the Securities Lending Counterparty is required under the Securities Lending Agreement to make "gross-up" payments to the Issuer that cover the full amount of the withholding tax on an after-tax basis;

(iii) require that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency shall be satisfied with respect to the execution of the Securities Lending Agreement;

(iv) satisfy any other requirements of Section 1058 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated under it;

(v) be governed by the laws of New York;

(vi) permit the Issuer to assign its rights under the Securities Lending Agreement to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture;

(vii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Collateral Obligation becomes a Credit Risk Obligation or is subject to redemption in accordance with its terms;

(viii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty upon any redemption of the Securities in whole;

(ix) require the Securities Lending Counterparty to post with the Trustee collateral consisting of cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the Securities Lending Agreement (the "***Securities Lending Collateral***") to secure its obligation to return the Collateral Obligations or in the alternative post the Securities Lending Collateral with a custodian for the benefit of the Issuer designated by the Securities Lending Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that custodian would qualify to be a successor trustee under Section 6.8;

(x) provide that the Securities Lending Collateral shall be maintained at all times in an amount equal to at least 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value (determined daily and monitored by the Portfolio Manager) of the lent Collateral Obligations and if securities are delivered to the Trustee as security for the obligations of the Securities Lending Counterparty under the related Securities Lending Agreement, the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer will negotiate with the Securities Lending Counterparty a rate for the loan fee to be paid to the Issuer for lending the lent Collateral Obligations;

(xi) the lent Collateral Obligations shall be marked-to-market on a daily basis by the Portfolio Manager on the basis of their Market Value;

(xii) the Collateral will include the Issuer's rights under the related Securities Lending Agreement rather than the loaned Collateral Obligation;

(xiii) provide for early termination within 10 days at the option of the Issuer and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Securities Lending Counterparty is no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty and the noncompliance is not cured as provided in this Indenture; and

(xiv) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Securities Lending Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those in this Indenture.

(c) If either Moody's or S&P downgrades a Securities Lending Counterparty such that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party are no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty, then the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer, within 10 days of the downgrade, shall

(i) terminate its Securities Lending Agreements with the Securities Lending Counterparty unless a guarantor for the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements has been obtained; or

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations lent to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty so that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party, together with all other Securities Lending Agreements, are in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of Securities Lending Counterparties; or

(iii) take any other steps Moody's or S&P may require to cause the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party to be treated by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, as if the obligations were owed by a counterparty having a rating at least equivalent to the rating that was assigned by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty before its being downgraded.

(d) In connection with any such direction by the Portfolio Manager to enter into a Securities Lending Agreement, the Trustee may receive and rely on an Issuer Order to the effect that the Securities Lending Agreement, and its Securities Lending Counterparty, is each in compliance with the requirements of this Indenture (including the definition of "Securities Lending Counterparty"). The Issuer and the Trustee may enter into any Securities Lending Agreement (and any related account control agreement) at the instruction of the Portfolio Manager, and deliver and accept delivery and return of any Collateral Obligations pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement, or pursuant to instructions from the Portfolio Manager in connection with the Securities Lending Agreement. The Trustee may take any actions and exercise any rights and remedies under any Securities Lending Agreement that the Portfolio Manager instructs. The Trustee need not enter into any Securities Lending Agreement (or any related account control agreement) that would in its judgment, subject it to any liability, whether financial or otherwise, or cause it to incur or subject it to risk of any cost or disbursement for which it is not, in its judgment, adequately indemnified, or that would impose on it any obligations or administrative burdens that are unacceptable to it. The Portfolio Manager shall instruct the Trustee in writing with respect to the administration of any Securities Lending Agreement (including with respect to any default and the exercise of rights under it). The Trustee shall not have any responsibility for evaluating the sufficiency, validity, or acceptability of any Securities Lending Agreement or for the qualifications or eligibility of any Securities Lending Counterparty. Nothing in this Indenture shall be construed to cause the Trustee to have any fiduciary duties to any Securities Lending Counterparty.

So long as any Collateral Obligation is on loan pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement,

(a) the Trustee shall have no liability for any failure or inability on its part to receive any information or take any action with respect to the Collateral Obligation because of its being on loan (including any failure to take action with respect to a notice of redemption, consent solicitation, exchange or tender offer, or similar corporate action), and

(b) the loaned Collateral Obligations shall not be disqualified for return to the Trustee as a Collateral Obligation by any change in circumstance or status during the time while on loan (including any change that would cause the Collateral Obligation to be ineligible for purchase by the Issuer under this Indenture if applied to a proposed purchase of it in the open market at the time of its return from loan).



Section 7.19. ***Purchase of Collateral Obligations; Ramp-Up Completion Date.***

(a) The Issuer shall use its best efforts to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period or enter into commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period for purchase on or as soon as practicable thereafter (not to exceed 60 days thereafter), in each case, for inclusion in the Collateral so that each of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$678,000,000.

(b) No Collateral Obligations may be purchased prior to the Ramp-Up Completion Date unless immediately following the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (as certified by the Portfolio Manager in writing), the remaining funds in the Collection Account, after giving effect to such purchase, are sufficient as of the date of determination to purchase Collateral Obligations for inclusion in the Collateral so that each of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$678,000,000 (taking into account the Collateral Obligations already part of the Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date)).

(c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, or any other provision of this Indenture, if the Issuer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase a Collateral Obligation to be included in the Collateral, such commitment initially not to exceed 60 days, and at the time of the commitment the Collateral Obligation complied with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set forth in this Section 7.19, the Issuer may consummate the purchase of the Collateral Obligation notwithstanding that the Collateral Obligation fails to comply with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set out above on the date of settlement.

(d) The Issuer will use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase, or to enter into binding agreements to purchase, Collateral Obligations by the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that, together with the Collateral Obligations purchased on or before the Closing Date and then held by the Issuer, will satisfy, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date), the Collateral Quality Tests, the Concentration Limitations, the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 of this Indenture and the Overcollateralization Tests.

(e) On or prior to September 1, 2005, so long as the Ramp-Up Completion Date has not already occurred, the Portfolio Manager shall certify by an order of the Portfolio Manager delivered to the Issuer, the Trustee and Moody's that, as of such date: (i)(A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least \$500,000,000, or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer with proceeds from the sale of the Notes (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be) equals at least \$500,000,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date, (ii) the Diversity Score is equal to at least 40, (iii) the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied and (iv) each of the Coverage Tests is satisfied. If the Portfolio Manager is not able to certify each of the foregoing items, an Interim Ramp-Up Completion Date Failure shall occur.

(f) On or prior to November 1, 2005, so long as the Ramp-Up Completion Date has not already occurred, the Portfolio Manager shall certify by an order of the Portfolio Manager

delivered to the Issuer, the Trustee and Moody's that, as of such date: (i)(A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least \$600,000,000, or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer with proceeds from the sale of the Notes (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be) equals at least \$600,000,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date, (ii) the Diversity Score is equal to at least 45, (iii) the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied and (iv) each of the Coverage Tests is satisfied. If the Portfolio Manager is not able to certify each of the foregoing items, an Interim Ramp-Up Completion Date Failure shall occur.

(g) Within 5 Business Days after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Issuer) shall request a Rating Confirmation on behalf of the Issuer and shall provide a report to the Rating Agencies identifying the Collateral Obligations then included in the Collateral and the Issuer shall obtain and deliver to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies, together with the delivery of a report (and, with respect to S&P, a Microsoft Excel file of the S&P CDO Monitor input file and, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, the name of the obligor thereon, the CUSIP number thereof (if applicable) and the S&P Priority Category thereof) substantially in the form of a Monthly Report as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, an Accountants' Certificate:

(i) confirming the maturity date, rating, spread and recovery rate for each item of Original Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date and the information provided by the Issuer with respect to every other asset included in the Collateral, by reference to such sources as shall be specified therein;

(ii) confirming that as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date:

(1) each of the Coverage Tests are satisfied;

(2) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owned or committed to purchase as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date is at least equal to the Maximum Investment Amount; and

(3) the Collateral Obligations comply with all of the requirements of the Collateral Quality Tests and the Concentration Limitations and the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 of this Indenture; and

(iii) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing statements.

(h) If a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, the Notes will be redeemed pursuant to, and to the extent provided in, Section 9.1(a).

#### Section 7.20. ***Posting of Reports on Repository.***

If the Placement Agents have entered into a posting dealer agreement with The Bond Market Association relating to the transactions contemplated by this Indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager acknowledges and agrees that each Monthly Report and Valuation Report shall be posted to the Repository for use in the manner provided in the Repository. In connection therewith, the Trustee at the expense of the Issuer agrees to make available in

accordance with Section 14.3(a)(viii) each Monthly Report or Valuation Report to the operator of the Repository for posting on the Repository.

**Section 7.21. *Secondary Risk Procedures.***

The Portfolio Manager shall notify S&P and request that S&P modify the S&P CDO Monitor accordingly if on any date (as disclosed in the most recent Monthly Report):

(a) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Collateral Obligations participated from or entered into with the same Secondary Risk Counterparty exceeds the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount in the Secondary Risk Table opposite the long-term S&P credit rating of the Secondary Risk Counterparty under the caption "Individual Counterparty Limit," or

(b) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Collateral Obligations participated from or entered into with Secondary Risk counterparties with the same long-term credit rating exceeds the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount in the Secondary Risk Table opposite that rating under the caption "Aggregate Counterparty Limit" (excluding up to 5% by Aggregate Principal Amount of Synthetic Securities with respect to Collateral Obligations the Aggregate Counterparty Limit of which is 20% to the extent that (x) such exposure is fully collateralized with respect to principal and (y) the related Synthetic Security counterparties are rated at least "A-1+" by S&P).

**Section 7.22. *Section 3(c)(7) Procedures.***

In addition to the notices required to be given under Section 10.6 hereof, the Issuer shall take the following actions to ensure compliance with the requirements of Section 3(c)(7) of the 1940 Act (provided, that such procedures and disclosures may be revised by the Issuer to be consistent with generally accepted practice for compliance with the requirements of Section 3(c)(7) of the 1940 Act):

(a) *Section 3(c)(7) Notice to Investors.* The Issuer shall (i) request the Depository to cause, and cooperate with the Depository in causing, the Depository's security description and delivery order to include a "3(c)(7) marker" and the Depository's user manual to contain an accurate description of the restrictions on the holding and transfer of the Notes due to the Issuer's reliance on the exclusion to registration provided by Section 3(c)(7) of the 1940 Act, (ii) request that the Depository send, and cooperate with the Depository in causing the Depository to send, to its Agent Members (x) the Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice substantially in the form of Exhibit H-2 in connection with the initial offering of the Notes and (y) the Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice substantially in the form of Exhibit H-1 as set forth in Section 10.6(b) and (iii) request that the Depository cause, and cooperate with the Depository in causing, the Depository's Reference Directory to include each Class of Notes (and the applicable CUSIP numbers for the Notes) in the listing of 3(c)(7) issues together with an attached description of the limitations as to the distribution, purchase, sale and holding of the Notes.

(b) *CUSIP Numbers.* The Issuer shall (a) request of S&P, and shall cooperate with S&P to ensure that all CUSIP numbers identifying the Notes shall have a "fixed field" attached thereto that contains "3c7" and "144A" indicators and (b) take steps to cause the Placement Agents and any market makers to require that all "confirms" of trades of the Notes contain CUSIP numbers with such "fixed field" identifiers.

(c) *Bloomberg and other Third-Party Vendor Screens.* The Issuer shall use all reasonable efforts to cause the Bloomberg screen or screens containing information about the

Notes to include the following language: (a) the “Note Box” on the bottom of the “Security Display” page describing the Notes shall state: “Iss’d Under 144A/3(c)(7),” (b) the “Security Display” page shall have the flashing red indicator “See Other Available Information,” and (c) the indicator shall link to the “Additional Security Information” page, which shall state that the securities are “being offered in reliance on the exemption from registration under Rule 144A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”) to persons who are both (x) qualified institutional buyers (as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act) and (y) qualified purchasers (as defined under Section 3(c)(7) under the Investment Company Act of 1940).” The Issuer shall use all reasonable efforts to require that any other third-party vendor screens containing information about the Notes include substantially similar language to clauses (a) through (c) above.

## ARTICLE 8

### SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURES

#### Section 8.1. *Supplemental Indentures Without Consent of Holders.*

(a) Without the consent of the Holders of any Securities or the Holders of any Preference Shares, when authorized by Board Resolutions, and subject to the requirement provided below in this Section 8.1 with respect to the ratings of any Class of Securities, the Co-Issuers and the Trustee may, if it is not materially and adversely affected thereby (and will be bound by a standard of good faith and fair dealing in making such determination) execute one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, to:

- (1) evidence the succession of another person to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and the assumption by the successor person of the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture and in the Securities;
- (2) add to the covenants of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee for the benefit of the Holders of the Securities or to surrender any right in this Indenture conferred on the Co-Issuers;
- (3) convey, transfer, assign, mortgage, or pledge any property to the Trustee, or add to the conditions, limitations, or restrictions on the authorized amount, terms, and purposes of the issue, authentication, and delivery of the Securities;
- (4) evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment under this Indenture by a successor Trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of this Indenture necessary to facilitate the administration of the trusts under this Indenture by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of Sections 6.9, 6.10, and 6.12;
- (5) correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of this Indenture, or to better assure, convey, and confirm to the Trustee any property subject or required to be subject to the lien of this Indenture (including all actions appropriate as a result of changes in law) or to subject to the lien of this Indenture any additional property;
- (6) modify the restrictions on and procedures for resales and other transfers of the Securities to reflect any changes in applicable law (or its interpretation) or to enable the Co-Issuers to rely on any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities

Act or the 1940 Act or to remove restrictions on resale and transfer to the extent not required under this Indenture;

(7) with the consent of the Portfolio Manager, to modify the restrictions on the sales of Collateral Obligations in Section 12.1 or the Eligibility Criteria in Section 12.2 (and the definitions related thereto) in a manner not materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of the Notes, the Composite Securities or the Preference Shares as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Portfolio Manager to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of the Notes, the Composite Securities or the Preference Shares;

(8) make appropriate changes for any Class of Securities to be listed on an exchange other than the Irish Stock Exchange;

(9) otherwise to correct any inconsistency or cure any ambiguity or errors in this Indenture;

(10) accommodate the issuance of the Securities in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC or otherwise;

(11) to take any appropriate action to prevent the Issuer, the Holders of Securities or Preference Shares, or the Trustee from becoming subject to withholding or other taxes, fees, or assessments or to prevent the Issuer from being treated as being engaged in a U.S. trade or business or otherwise being subject to income tax on a net income basis, so long as the action will not cause the Holders of any Securities or Preference Shares to be adversely affected to any material extent by any change to the timing, character, or source of the income from the Securities or Preference Shares, as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion);

(12) to authorize the appointment of any listing agent, Transfer Agent, Paying Agent, or additional registrar for any Class of Securities appropriate in connection with the listing of any Class of Securities on the Irish Stock Exchange or any other stock exchange, and otherwise to amend this Indenture to incorporate any changes required or requested by any governmental authority, stock exchange authority, listing agent, Transfer Agent, Paying Agent, or additional registrar for any Class of Securities in connection with its appointment, so long as the supplemental indenture would not materially and adversely affect any Holder of Securities, as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities;

(13) to amend, modify, enter into, or accommodate the execution of any contract relating to a Synthetic Security (including posting collateral under a Synthetic Security Agreement);

(14) to modify Section 3.3 to be consistent with applicable laws or Rating Agency requirements;

(15) to evidence any waiver by any Rating Agency as to any requirement or condition, as applicable, of the Rating Agency set forth in this Indenture;

(16) to facilitate the issuance of participation notes, combination notes, composite securities and other similar securities;

(17) to facilitate hedging transactions;

(18) to facilitate the ability of the Issuer to lend collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement;

(19) to modify any provision to facilitate an A/B Exchange, including to effect any serial designation relating to the exchange; or

(20) with the consent of the Portfolio Manager, to enter into any additional agreements not expressly prohibited by this Indenture as well as any amendment, modification, or waiver if the Issuer determines that the amendment, modification, or waiver would not, upon or after becoming effective, materially and adversely affect the rights or interest of the Holders of any Class of Securities or the Holders of Preference Shares as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Portfolio Manager to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities or the Holders of Preference Shares.

(b) Without the consent of the Portfolio Manager, no supplemental indenture may be entered into that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to the Portfolio Manager under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Portfolio Manager.

(c) The Trustee is authorized to join in the execution of any such supplemental indenture and to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations that may be in the agreements, but the Trustee shall not be obligated to enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties, liabilities, or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise, except to the extent required by law. Unless notified by a Majority of any Class of the Securities or a Majority of the Holders of Preference Shares that the Class of Securities or Holders of Preference Shares would be materially and adversely affected, the Trustee may rely on a certificate of the Portfolio Manager and an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) as to whether the interests of any Holder of Securities or Holder of Preference Shares would be materially and adversely affected by any such supplemental indenture. The Trustee shall give notice of the proposed change to the Holders of Securities and to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) at least 15 Business Days before execution of any supplemental indenture by the Trustee (or 60 calendar days before execution, in the case of a supplemental indenture for the purpose described in paragraph (7) of Section 8.1(a), which shall be identified as such in a certificate of the Portfolio Manager delivered to the Trustee before the date on which such notice is required to be given).

(d) If any Outstanding Securities are rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee shall enter into a supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.1 only if either (1) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the supplemental indenture or (2) the Portfolio Manager and the Holders of 100% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of

Securities the ratings on which would be reduced or withdrawn consent to the supplemental indenture. Prior to the entry into any supplemental Indenture with respect to which a Rating Confirmation for one or more Classes of Notes or Composite Securities is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Note and each Holder of each Outstanding Composite Security informing them of such fact.

(e) At the cost of the Co-Issuers, for so long as any Securities are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee shall provide to the Rating Agency, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Hedge Counterparty a copy of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee.

**Section 8.2. *Supplemental Indentures With Consent of Holders.***

(a) If the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency, the Trustee and the Co-Issuers may execute one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture to add any provisions to, or change in any manner, or eliminate any of the provisions of, this Indenture or modify in any manner the rights of the Holders of the Securities under this Indenture with the consent of:

- (1) the Portfolio Manager if the supplemental indenture would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Portfolio Manager;
- (2) a Majority of each Class of Notes adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of each such Class of Notes;
- (3) a Majority of the Composite Securities adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of the Composite Securities; and
- (4) a Majority of the Preference Shares adversely affected thereby.

Any proposed supplemental indenture that would also necessitate a change to the Memorandum and Articles of Association may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Memorandum and Articles of Association) has been passed to permit the Issuer's constitutional documents to be altered to conform them to the proposed change to this Indenture as certified to the Trustee by the Issuer.

Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected thereby, the Holder of each Outstanding Composite Security adversely affected thereby and the Holder of each Preference Share adversely affected thereby, no supplemental indenture shall:

- (i) change the Stated Maturity of the principal of or the due date of any installment of interest on any Note or of any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, reduce the principal amount or the rate of interest on any Note, or the Default Interest Rate or the Redemption Price with respect to any Note or Preference Share, or change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Share may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer, change the provisions of this Indenture relating to the application of proceeds of any Collateral to the payment of principal of or interest on Notes and the application of proceeds of any Class C Components, Class D-2 Components or Preference Share Components corresponding to their related Components, or to payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment

to the Holders of the Preference Shares, or change any place where, or the coin or currency in which, Notes or their principal or interest are paid or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after their Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the applicable Redemption Date);

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class or Composite Securities or Holders of Preference Shares whose consent is required for the authorization of any such supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of this Indenture or certain defaults under this Indenture or their consequences provided for in this Indenture;

(iii) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on a parity with the lien of this Indenture with respect to any part of the Collateral or terminate the lien on any property at any time subject hereto or deprive the Holder of any Security of the security afforded by the lien of this Indenture;

(iv) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class whose consent is required to request the Trustee to preserve the Collateral or rescind the Trustee's election to preserve the Collateral, pursuant to Section 5.5 or to sell or liquidate the Collateral, pursuant to Section 5.4 or 5.5;

(v) modify any of the provisions of this Section, or to provide that certain other provisions of this Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note, Preference Share and Composite Security affected thereby;

(vi) modify the definition of "Outstanding," "Controlling Class," or "Majority," or the Priority of Payments in Section 11.1(a) or Section 13.1; or

(vii) modify any of the provisions of this Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of Redemption Price or of interest or principal on any Note or any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the payment of dividends or other payments on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date or to affect the rights of the Holders of Notes or Preference Shares (including the Note Components or Preference Share Components, as the case may be) to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of the Notes or the Preference Shares contained in this Indenture.

Prior to the entry into any supplemental indenture with respect to which a Rating Confirmation for one or more Classes of Notes or Composite Securities is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Note, each Holder of each Outstanding Composite Security and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) informing them of such fact.

(b) At the cost of the Co-Issuers, for so long as any Securities are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee shall provide to the Rating Agency a copy of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee.

(c) Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.2, the Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail to the Holders of the Securities, the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Securities are Outstanding) a copy of such supplemental indenture and shall request any



required consent from the applicable Holders of Securities or Preference Shares to be given within the Initial Consent Period. Any consent given to a proposed supplemental indenture by the Holder of any Securities or Preference Shares, as applicable, shall be irrevocable and binding on all future Holders or beneficial owners of that Security or Preference Share, irrespective of the execution date of the supplemental indenture. If the Holders of less than the required percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the relevant Securities or Preference Shares consent to a proposed supplemental indenture within the Initial Consent Period, on the first Business Day after the Initial Consent Period, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager which Holders of Securities or Preference Shares have consented to the proposed supplemental indenture and, which Holders (and, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the Trustee, which beneficial owners) have not consented to the proposed supplemental indenture. If it intends to exercise its Amendment Buy-Out Option pursuant to Section 9.6, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall so notify the Trustee (which notice shall designate a date for the Amendment Buy-Out to occur no earlier than 10 Business Days after the date of such notice) no later than five (5) Business Days after so being notified by the Trustee and the Trustee shall mail such notice to all Holders of Securities and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares). Any Non-Consenting Holder may give consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture until the 5<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the date of the Amendment Buy-Out designated by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and in such case shall cease to be a Non-Consenting Holder for purposes of the Amendment Buy-Out. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser exercises its Amendment Buy-Out Option and purchases the applicable Securities pursuant to Section 9.6 below, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, as Holder or beneficial owner of the applicable Securities or Preference Shares, may consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture within five (5) Business Days of the Amendment Buy-Out.

(d) It shall not be necessary for any Act of Holders of Securities under this Section 8.2 to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if the Act or consent approves its substance.

(e) The Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail to the Holders of the Securities, the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency a copy of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.2 promptly after its execution by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee. Any failure of the Trustee to mail a copy of any supplemental indenture as provided in this Indenture, or any defect in the mailing, shall not in any way affect the validity of the supplemental indenture.

### Section 8.3. *Execution of Supplemental Indentures.*

In executing or accepting the additional trusts created by any supplemental indenture permitted by this Article 8 or the modifications thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture, the Trustee may receive, and (subject to Sections 6.1 and 6.3) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an Opinion of Counsel stating that the execution of the supplemental indenture is authorized or permitted by this Indenture and that all conditions precedent to the execution of such supplemental indenture have been satisfied. The Trustee may, but shall not be obligated to, enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties, or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise. The Portfolio Manager shall not be bound by any amendment or supplement to this Indenture that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Portfolio Manager unless the Portfolio Manager consents to it in writing, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed. The Portfolio Manager shall follow any amendment or supplement to this Indenture by which it is bound of which it has received written notice from the time it receives a copy of the amendment from the Issuer or the Trustee.

Section 8.4. ***Effect of Supplemental Indentures; Certain Required Consents.***

Upon the execution of any supplemental indenture under this Article 8, this Indenture shall be modified in accordance therewith, and the supplemental indenture shall form a part of this Indenture for all purposes; and every Holder of Securities and Preference Shares theretofore and thereafter authenticated and delivered under this Indenture shall be bound thereby.

Without the approval of each Hedge Counterparty to a then existing Hedge Agreement (so long as the Hedge Counterparty is not in default under any Hedge Agreement to which it is party), no supplemental indenture will be effective, and the Co-Issuers will not consent to any supplemental indenture, that would have a material adverse effect on the Hedge Counterparty. For purposes of this paragraph, any supplemental indenture will be deemed not to have a material adverse effect on the Hedge Counterparty if it does not object within 10 days of delivery of such supplemental indenture by the Trustee.

Section 8.5. ***Reference in Securities to Supplemental Indentures.***

Securities authenticated and delivered after the execution of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Article 8 may, and if required by the Trustee shall, bear a notice in form approved by the Trustee as to any matter provided for in the supplemental indenture. If the Applicable Issuers shall so determine, new Notes and new Composite Securities, so modified as to conform in the opinion of the Trustee and the Co-Issuers to any such supplemental indenture, may be prepared and executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated and delivered by the Trustee in exchange for Outstanding Securities.

Section 8.6. ***Composite Securities.***

(a) For purposes of this Article 8, the Class 1 Composite Securities shall only be adversely affected or materially and adversely affected, as the context requires, by any proposed supplemental indenture if the Composite Securities would suffer an adverse effect or material adverse effect, as the context requires, that does not arise directly from an adverse effect or material adverse effect suffered by the the Class D-2 Notes or the Preference Shares.

(b) For purposes of this Article 8, the Class 2 Composite Securities shall only be adversely affected or materially and adversely affected, as the context requires, by any proposed supplemental indenture if the Composite Securities would suffer an adverse effect or material adverse effect, as the context requires, that does not arise directly from an adverse effect or material adverse effect suffered by the Class C Notes or the Preference Shares.

(c) The Holders of the Composite Securities shall not be entitled to voting rights as a separate Class except to the extent such Composite Securities are deemed to be adversely affected or materially and adversely affected, as the context requires, as provided in Section 8.6(a) and (b). Additionally, the Holders of the Composite Securities shall not be entitled to direct the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture except, in the case of the Class 1 Composite Security, with the Holders of the Class D-2 Notes to the extent of their interest in the Note Component and, in the case of the Class 2 Composite Security, with the Holders of the Class C Notes to the extent of their interest in the Note Component or, in the case of either Composite Security, with the Holders of the Preference Shares to the extent of their interest in the respective Preference Shares Components.

## ARTICLE 9

### REDEMPTION OF NOTES

#### Section 9.1. ***Mandatory Redemption.***

(a) If either (a) a Coverage Test is not met on any Determination Date or (b) a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, principal payments on the Notes shall be made on the related Payment Date (without payment of any Redemption Price) in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Upon receipt of notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes, at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Securities, then at the direction and in accordance with the instructions of the Portfolio Manager the Trustee shall sell Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for the purpose in the Collection Account will be used to redeem the Notes and the Preference Shares (but only to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Securities) and to pay all administrative and other fees, expenses, and obligations payable under the Priority of Payments. Any sale under this Section shall be conducted in such a manner that:

(i) after giving effect to the sale each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied or, if any Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Overcollateralization Test is not reduced,

(ii) if the sale occurs on or after the second Payment Date, after giving effect to the sale each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied or, if any Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Interest Coverage Test is not reduced, and

(iii) after giving effect to the sale each Collateral Quality Test is satisfied or, if any Collateral Quality Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Collateral Quality Test is not reduced.

(b) The Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Component) will be redeemed in whole in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents on any Payment Date on which a mandatory redemption of the Notes pursuant to Section 9.1(a) results in the payment in full of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes.

#### Section 9.2. ***Optional Redemption.***

(a) Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the Notes (including the Note Components) shall be redeemed by the Applicable Issuers, in whole but not in part, on any Payment Date from Principal Proceeds and all other funds available for that purpose in the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account at the direction of the Holders of a Super Majority of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components), which direction must be given to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made, at the applicable Redemption Price (exclusive of installments of interest and principal maturing on or before that date, payment of which shall have been made or duly provided for, to the Holders of the Notes on relevant

Record Dates or as otherwise provided in this Indenture). All Notes must be simultaneously redeemed, and any termination payments pursuant to Hedge Agreements must be paid.

Upon receipt of a notice of redemption pursuant to this Section 9.2(a), the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Management Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer, direct the sale of the Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for such purpose in the Collection Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account will be at least sufficient to redeem all of the Notes and to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations. If, in the Portfolio Manager's reasonable discretion, the sale would not be sufficient to redeem the Notes, and to pay the fees, expenses, and obligations, the Notes shall not be redeemed.

Upon any redemption pursuant to this Section 9.2(a), the Issuer shall, at least 30 days before the Redemption Date (unless the Trustee shall agree to a shorter notice period), notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency of the Redemption Date, the applicable Record Date, the principal amount of Notes to be redeemed on the Redemption Date, and the applicable Redemption Prices.

Upon a redemption of the Notes or the Preference Shares, (i) the Class 1 Composite Securities will be redeemed with payments, if any, made in respect of (x) the Class D-2 Notes, with respect to the Class D-2 Component and (y) the Preference Shares, with respect to the Class 1 Composite Security Preference Shares Component and (ii) the Class 2 Composite Securities will be redeemed with payments, if any, made in respect of (x) the Class C Notes, with respect to the Class C Component and (y) the Preference Shares, with respect to the Class 2 Composite Security Preference Shares Component.

(b) On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, all administrative and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture and all amounts owing under this Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged,

(i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components), the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings or

(ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components), voting as a single Class or group, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such direction.

Upon a distribution pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(i), the Portfolio Manager will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Management Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer (and subject to Section 9.2(b)(ii)), direct the sale of all remaining Collateral Obligations. Upon a distribution pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii), the Portfolio Manager will effect the sale of Collateral Obligations in

accordance with the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components).

Section 9.3. ***Redemption Procedures.***

(a) Upon any redemption pursuant to Section 9.2, a notice of redemption shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days and not earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date, each Holder of Notes (including the Note Components) to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of DTC, Euroclear, and Clearstream, as applicable, to the Holders of the Composite Securities and to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), and (in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a)) to each Rating Agency. In addition, for so long as any Securities are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of redemption of Securities pursuant to Section 9.2 shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

(b) All notices of redemption delivered pursuant to Section 9.3(a) shall state:

- (i) the applicable Redemption Date;
- (ii) the Redemption Price of the Notes (including the Note Components) to be redeemed (in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a));
- (iii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), that all of the Notes (including the Note Components), are to be redeemed in full and that interest on the Notes (including the Note Components) to be redeemed shall cease to accrue on the Payment Date specified in the notice; and
- (iv) the places where the Securities to be redeemed in whole are to be surrendered for payment of the Redemption Price, which shall be the office or agency of the Co-Issuers to be maintained as provided in Section 7.2 and, so long as any Securities to be redeemed are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, and the Irish Paying Agent.

Any such notice of redemption may be withdrawn by the Issuer up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager only if:

(A) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), the Portfolio Manager does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications (described in Section 9.3(c) and 12.1(f)), as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee,

(B) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i), the Issuer receives the written direction of the Majority of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption delivered by a percentage of the Preference Shares requesting redemption under Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i), as applicable, and

(C) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii), the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer hereby agrees for the benefit of the directing person to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it

receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (B) or this clause (C)).

Notice of any withdrawal shall be sent, not later than the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date (assuming that the Trustee has received timely written notice from the Issuer as provided above), by the Trustee, to each Holder of Securities (including the Note Components) scheduled to be redeemed at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery (or, to the extent the address contained in the Indenture Register is not sufficient for that purpose, by first class mail) and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares). If the Issuer so withdraws any notice of redemption or is otherwise unable to complete any redemption of the Notes, the Sale Proceeds received from the sale of any Collateral Obligations sold pursuant to Sections 9.2 and 12.1(f) may, during the Reinvestment Period (and, in respect of Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Reinvestment Period) at the Portfolio Manager's discretion, be reinvested in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria.

Notice of redemption shall be given by the Co-Issuers or, upon an Issuer Order, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Co-Issuers. Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Securities (including any Note Components) selected for redemption or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Securities or Preference Shares.

(c) The Notes may not be redeemed pursuant to Section 9.2(a) unless either of the following conditions are satisfied:

(i) At least ten Business Days before the Redemption Date, the Portfolio Manager shall have furnished to the Trustee evidence (in form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee) that the Issuer has entered into a binding agreements (with a financial or other institution or entity whose short-term unsecured debt obligations (other than obligations whose rating is based on the credit of a person other than the institution) have a credit rating of at least "A-1" from S&P and of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's (or to any other institution or entity if the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's is satisfied with respect to the other entity)) to sell to the financial or other institutions, not later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date in immediately available funds, all or part of the Collateral (directly or by participation or other arrangement) at a Purchase Price at least equal to an amount sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations (including the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties, and to redeem the Notes (including the Note Components) on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices; or

(ii) Before entering into any binding agreement to sell all or a portion of the Collateral and selling or terminating any Hedge Agreement, the Portfolio Manager shall have certified that, in its commercially reasonable judgment, the settlement dates of the sales will be scheduled to occur on or before the Business Day before the Redemption Date and that the expected proceeds from the sales are to be delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date, in immediately available funds, in an amount (calculated as applicable in the manner provided below) sufficient (together with

any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties, and to redeem the Notes (including the Note Components) on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices. For purposes of this paragraph, the amount shall be calculated with respect to the classes of Collateral listed in the table below by multiplying the expected proceeds of sale of the Collateral by the indicated percentage in the table below.

		<u>Number of Business Days Between Certification to the Trustee and Sale</u>			
		<u>Same Day</u>	<u>1 to 2</u>	<u>3 to 5</u>	<u>6 to 15</u>
1	Cash or other Eligible Investments	100%	100%	100%	100%
2	Loans (other than 5 below)	100%	93%	92%	88%
3	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations (in each case, other than 4 below)	100%	89%	85%	75%
4	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations, in each case with a Moody's Rating of "B3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "B3"	100%	75%	65%	55%
5	Synthetic Securities	100%	65%	55%	35%

Any certification delivered pursuant to this Section 9.3(c) shall include (A) the prices of, and expected proceeds from, the sale of any Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, or Hedge Agreements and (B) all calculations required by this Section 9.3(c).

**Section 9.4. *Notes Payable on Redemption Date.***

(a) Notice of redemption pursuant to Section 9.3 having been given as aforesaid, the Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at the Redemption Price therein specified and from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Redemption Price and accrued interest) the Notes (including the Note Components) shall cease to bear interest on the Redemption Date. Upon final payment on a Note to be so redeemed, the Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the place specified in the notice of redemption on or before the Redemption Date unless the Co-Issuers and the Trustee receive the security or indemnity required by them to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the Note, and in the absence of notice to the Co-Issuers and the Trustee, that the applicable Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender. If a Component is to be redeemed, the related Composite Security does not need to be surrendered at the office of any paying agent under this Indenture to receive the applicable Redemption Price. Payments of interest on Notes so to be redeemed whose Stated Maturity is on or before the Redemption Date shall be payable to the Holders of the Notes or Composite Securities (to the extent of the Note Components), or one or more predecessor Notes or Composite Securities, registered as such at the close of business on the relevant Record Date if the

Record Date is a Business Day (or, if the Record Date is not a Business Day, the close of business on the Business Day before the Record Date) according to Section 2.8(e).

(b) If any Note called for redemption is not paid on its surrender for redemption, its principal shall bear interest from the Redemption Date at the Applicable Note Interest Rate for each successive Interest Period the Note remains Outstanding if the reason for the non-payment is not the fault of the Holder of the Note.

#### Section 9.5. ***Special Redemption.***

Principal payments on the Notes (including the Note Components) shall be made in whole or in part, at par, in accordance with the Priority of Payments if, at any time during the Reinvestment Period, the Portfolio Manager elects (subject to the Management Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the investment or reinvestment of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be invested in additional Collateral Obligations (a "***Special Redemption***").

On the first Payment Date following the Due Period for which the notice is effective (a "***Special Redemption Date***"), the funds in the Collection Account or the Payment Account representing Principal Proceeds that, by operation of the preceding paragraph, are not reinvested in additional Collateral Obligations (the "***Special Redemption Amount***") will be available to be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments under Section 11.1(a)(ii). Notice of payments pursuant to this Section 9.5 shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than three Business Days before the applicable Special Redemption Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of DTC. In addition, for so long as any Securities are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of redemption of Securities pursuant to Section 9.2 shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

#### Section 9.6. ***Amendment Buy-Out.***

(a) In the case of any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities or Preference Shares, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Securities or Preference Shares held by such Holders of the Class of Securities or Preference Shares whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture (the "***Amendment Buy-Out Option***") for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; provided, however, that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser may not exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option during the Non-Call Period in connection with a proposed amendment to reduce the rate of interest on any Note or to change the earliest date on which Securities of any Class or Preference Shares may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all such Securities or Preference Shares of Non-Consenting Holders, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities or Preference Shares the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an "***Amendment Buy-Out***"). By its acceptance of its Securities or Preference Shares hereunder, each Holder of Securities or Preference Shares agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its applicable Securities or Preference Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser; provided that, if the solicited consent to a supplemental indenture only applies to one Component of a Composite Security, the Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell, at the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser's option, its Composite Security as a whole.



Neither the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser nor any other Person shall have any liability to any Holder or beneficial owner of Securities or Preference Shares as a result of an election by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser not to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option.

(b) All purchases made pursuant to an Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Securities or Preference Shares set forth herein and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

## ARTICLE 10

### ACCOUNTS, ACCOUNTINGS, AND RELEASES

#### Section 10.1. *Collection of Money.*

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, the Trustee may demand payment or delivery of, and shall receive and collect, directly and without intervention or assistance of any fiscal agent or other intermediary, all money and other property payable to or receivable by the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture, including all payments due on the Pledged Obligations, in accordance with the terms of the Pledged Obligations. The Trustee shall segregate and hold all money and property received by it in trust for the Secured Parties and shall apply it as provided in this Indenture. Any Account may contain any number of sub-accounts for the convenience of the Trustee or as required by the Portfolio Manager for convenience in administering the Accounts, the Collateral.

#### Section 10.2. *Collection Account.*

(a) Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Collection Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, and into which the Trustee shall from time to time deposit, in addition to the deposits required pursuant to Section 10.7(e), immediately upon the Trustee's receipt thereof:

(i) any funds transferred from (1) the Closing Date Expense Account pursuant to Section 10.3(g) or (2) the Interest Reserve Account pursuant to Section 10.3(i),

(ii) all Principal Proceeds (unless (1) simultaneously reinvested in Collateral Obligations in accordance with Article 12, (2) deposited into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or (3) posted by the Issuer as cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security or in Eligible Investments) received by the Trustee,

(iii) all Interest Proceeds received by the Trustee (unless simultaneously reinvested in accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations in accordance with Article 12 or in Eligible Investments), and

(iv) all other funds received by the Trustee and not excluded above.

In addition to the items described above, the Issuer may, but under no circumstances shall be required to, deposit from time to time any monies, securities and other instruments in the Collection Account it deems, in its sole discretion, to be advisable (and may designate any amounts deposited pursuant to this sentence as Principal Proceeds or Interest Proceeds in its discretion). Any Principal Proceeds received during the Reinvestment Period, and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments received after the Reinvestment Period, which have not been reinvested in additional Collateral Obligations on the Business Day of receipt shall be deposited in the Collection Account and shall at the direction of the Portfolio Manager be applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the other requirements set forth herein or the purchase of Eligible Investments pending such investment or used to enter into additional Hedge Agreements or used in connection with a Special Redemption. Principal Proceeds (other than Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments) received after the Reinvestment Period shall be deposited into the Collection Account and applied to the purchase of Eligible Investments. All monies deposited from time to time in the Collection Account pursuant to this Indenture shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and shall be applied to the purposes provided in this Indenture. Amounts in the Collection Account shall be reinvested pursuant to Section 10.4(a).

(b) Within one Business Day after receipt of any distribution or other proceeds of the Collateral that are not Cash, the Trustee shall so notify the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager. Within five Business Days of receipt of the notice from the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, shall sell the distribution or other proceeds for Cash in an arm's length transaction to a person that is not the Portfolio Manager or an Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager and deposit its proceeds in the Collection Account. The Issuer need not sell the distributions or other proceeds if it delivers an Issuer Order or an Officer's certificate to the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager certifying that the distributions or other proceeds are Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, or Workout Assets.

(c) During the Reinvestment Period (or, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Reinvestment Period), at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall withdraw funds on deposit in the Collection Account representing Principal Proceeds (and, to the extent expressly provided in this Indenture, Interest Proceeds) and reinvest (or invest, in the case of funds referred to in Section 7.19) the funds in Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), in each case in accordance with the requirements of Article 12 and the Issuer Order.

(d) At any time during or after the Reinvestment Period, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall, pay from amounts on deposit in the Collection Account on any Business Day during any Interest Period from Interest Proceeds only, any Administrative Expenses that require payment before the next Payment Date to the extent that the amount of the payments does not exceed the aggregate amount that may be paid on the next Payment Date under, and at the level of priority specified by, Section 11.1(a)(i)(1).

(e) The Trustee shall transfer to the Payment Account from the Collection Account for application pursuant to Section 11.1(a) or 11.2, as applicable, on or not later than the Business Day preceding each Payment Date, the amount set forth to be so transferred in the Valuation Report for the Payment Date.

Section 10.3. ***Other Accounts.***

(a) ***Custodial Account.*** Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated trust account that shall be designated as the Custodial Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, and into which the Trustee shall deposit the Collateral Obligations and other Collateral not deposited elsewhere in accordance with this Indenture (other than Loans, Participations and general intangibles, which in the case of Loans and Participations, shall be held by the Trustee as provided in Section 3.2). All assets or securities at any time on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Custodial Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties. The only permitted withdrawals from the Custodial Account shall be in accordance with this Indenture. The Co-Issuers shall not have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Custodial Account other than in accordance with Section 3.2 and the Priority of Payments.

(b) ***Revolving Reserve Account and Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account.*** Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish (i) a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account which shall be designated as the Revolving Reserve Account and (ii) a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, each of which shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. Upon the purchase of any Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee shall deposit Principal Proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account, in the case of a Revolving Loan, and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, in the case of a Delayed Drawdown Loan, each equal to the unfunded Commitment Amount of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, respectively, and the Principal Proceeds so deposited shall be considered part of the Purchase Price of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan for purposes of Article 12. At the direction of the Portfolio Manager at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period, the Trustee shall withdraw funds from the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to fund extensions of credit pursuant to Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans, respectively. In addition, to the extent that the Issuer receives proceeds of a repayment in respect of a Revolving Loan (except to the extent of any concurrent Commitment Reduction) at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period, the Trustee shall deposit the proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account. Upon the sale of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan in whole or in part or the reduction in part or termination of the Issuer's commitment thereunder, an amount on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, as the case may be, specified by the Portfolio Manager as being equal to:

- (i) the unfunded amount of the commitment (in the case of a sale in whole or a termination of the commitment),
- (ii) the proportionate amount of the amount on deposit (in the case of a sale in part), or
- (iii) the amount by which the commitment is reduced (in the case of a reduction thereof in part),

shall be transferred by the Trustee to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds. Amounts on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account shall be reinvested pursuant to Section 10.4(b). All interest and other income from amounts in the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account

pursuant to Section 10.4(b) shall be considered Interest Proceeds in the Due Period in which they are so deposited.

(c) *Expense Reimbursement Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Expense Reimbursement Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On any Payment Date and on any date between Payment Dates, the Trustee will apply amounts, if any, in the Expense Reimbursement Account to the payment of expenses and fees that must be paid between Payment Dates or that are due on that Payment Date under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) and the Trustee shall on any Payment Date transfer to the Expense Reimbursement Account an amount equal to the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts due under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) to the Expense Reimbursement Account in accordance with Section 11.1(a)(i)(2). Funds in the Expense Reimbursement Account shall be invested in accordance with Section 10.4(a).

(d) *Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties (other than the Hedge Counterparty pledging the Collateral), over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. The Trustee shall deposit all collateral received from a Hedge Counterparty under any Hedge Agreement into the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account shall be:

(i) for application to obligations of the relevant Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer under a Hedge Agreement if the Hedge Agreement becomes subject to early termination, or

(ii) to return collateral to the relevant Hedge Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Hedge Agreement, in each case as directed by the Portfolio Manager.

Amounts on deposit in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account shall be reinvested pursuant to Section 10.4(a) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(e) *Synthetic Security Collateral Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal, and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Synthetic Security and delivers a copy of it to the Trustee, the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the Synthetic Security Collateral Account with respect to the Synthetic Security.

All Synthetic Security Collateral posted by any Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Synthetic Security shall be immediately deposited into the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Synthetic Security. On each day on which amounts are payable to the Issuer out of Synthetic Security Collateral, the Issuer by Issuer Order shall direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, withdraw amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in an

amount sufficient to make the payment as provided in the Issuer Order (including any total or partial release of Synthetic Security Collateral). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be (i) for application to the obligations of the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty under a Synthetic Security Agreement or (ii) to return Synthetic Security Collateral to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty at the termination of the relevant Synthetic Security Agreement or as otherwise required by the Synthetic Security Agreement, in each case as directed by the Portfolio Manager.

Amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be reinvested pursuant to Section 10.4(b) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(f) *Securities Lending Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Securities Lending Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal, and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Securities Lending Agreement and delivers a copy of it to the Trustee, the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the Securities Lending Account with respect to the Securities Lending Agreement. All Securities Lending Collateral posted by any Securities Lending Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Securities Lending Agreement shall be immediately deposited into the Securities Lending Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Securities Lending Agreement. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Securities Lending Account shall be:

(i) for application to obligations of the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty to the Issuer under a Securities Lending Agreement if the Securities Lending Agreement becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the related Securities Lending Agreement upon any "event of default" under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement, including liquidating the related Securities Lending Collateral, or

(ii) to return the Securities Lending Collateral to the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Securities Lending Agreement, in each case as directed by the Portfolio Manager.

Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be reinvested pursuant to Section 10.4(c). To the extent provided in a Securities Lending Agreement, earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be payable by the Issuer to the related Securities Lending Counterparty.

Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the loaned security or asset that relates to the Securities Lending Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer.

(g) *Closing Date Expense Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Closing Date Expense Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On the Closing Date, the Trustee, at the direction of the Issuer, shall deposit into the Closing Date Expense Account approximately U.S.\$9,000,000 from the gross proceeds of the Offering. At any time before the earlier of (i) the Ramp-Up Completion Date and (ii) the Payment

Date in February 2006, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall, pay from amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account any applicable fees and expenses of the Offering. On the Payment Date in February 2006 (or, at the discretion of the Portfolio Manager, on the Payment Date in November 2005), the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds and close the Closing Date Expense Account.

Amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account shall be reinvested pursuant to Section 10.4(a) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(h) *Payment Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Payment Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Payment Account shall be to pay amounts due and payable on the Notes and Composite Securities in accordance with their terms and the provisions of this Indenture and to pay Administrative Expenses and other amounts specified in this Indenture, each in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Co-Issuers shall not have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Payment Account other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

(i) *Interest Reserve Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Interest Reserve Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On the Closing Date, the Trustee, at the direction of the Issuer, shall deposit into the Interest Reserve Account approximately U.S.\$2,500,000 from the gross proceeds of the Offering. At any time on or before the earlier of (i) the Ramp-Up Completion Date and (ii) the Payment Date in February 2006, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall, pay from amounts on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account an amount necessary such that the amounts referred to in Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) through (13) will be paid in full on each Payment Date occurring on or before the Payment Date in February 2006. On the Payment Date in February 2006 (or, at the discretion of the Portfolio Manager, on the Payment Date in November 2005), the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account (after application of any monies therefrom on such date) to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds and close the Interest Reserve Account. Amounts on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account shall be reinvested pursuant to Section 10.4(a).

(j) In addition to any deposit, withdrawal, transfer or other application of funds with respect to any Account set forth in this Section 10.3 or in Section 10.2, any deposit, withdrawal, transfer or other application of funds with respect to any Account authorized elsewhere in this Indenture is hereby authorized pursuant to this Section 10.3.

(k) In order to comply with its obligations under the USA Patriot Act of 2001, if any, the Trustee shall be entitled to request and verify, and the Noteholders, beneficial owners, the Co-Issuers and other parties related to this Indenture shall be obligated to provide to the Trustee all the necessary information required by the USA Patriot Act of 2001.

Section 10.4. ***Reinvestment of Funds in Accounts; Reports by Trustee.***

(a) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall at all times before an Event of Default occurs, direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, invest all funds on deposit in the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account as so directed in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. All investments on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any investments. Before an Event of Default occurs, if the Issuer has not given investment directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Portfolio Manager within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Date Expense Account or the Interest Reserve Account. If the Trustee does not receive written instructions from the Portfolio Manager within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall invest and reinvest the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (c) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. After an Event of Default occurs, if the Issuer does not give investment directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall invest and reinvest the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (c) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing not later than the earlier of (i) 30 days after the date of the investment or (ii) the Business Day before the next Payment Date. All interest and other income from the investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from the investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from the investments shall be charged to the Collection Account. Subject to Section 6.6, the Trustee shall not in any way be held liable for the selection of investments or because of any insufficiency of the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Date Expense Account or the Interest Reserve Account or any other account that results from any loss relating to any such investment.

(b) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall at all times direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, invest all funds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, and the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities not later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase. All investments on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any investments. If before an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give investment directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Portfolio Manager within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account. If the Trustee does not thereupon receive written instructions from the Portfolio Manager within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall invest and reinvest the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that are overnight funds. If after an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give investment directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall invest and reinvest the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that are overnight funds. All interest and other income from the investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from the investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from the investments shall be charged to the Collection Account.

(c) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall at all times direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, invest all funds on deposit in the Securities Lending Account in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. All investments on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any investments. The interest on the Eligible Investments shall be allocated between the Issuer and the Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the related Securities Lending Agreement. If before an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give investment directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Portfolio Manager within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Securities Lending Account. If the Trustee does not thereupon receive written instructions from the Portfolio Manager within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall invest and reinvest the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that mature no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. If after an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give investment directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall invest and reinvest the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. All interest and other income from the investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from the investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from the investments shall be charged to the Collection Account.

(d) The Trustee agrees to give the Issuer notice as soon as reasonably practicable if a Trust Officer obtains actual knowledge that any Account or any funds on deposit in any Account, or otherwise to the credit of an Account, shall become subject to any writ, order, judgment, warrant of attachment, execution, or similar process. All Accounts shall remain at all times with the Custodian or a financial institution having a long-term debt rating of at least "Baa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) by Moody's and at least "BBB+" by S&P and having combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000 that has entered into one or more securities account control agreements substantially in the form of Exhibit G; *provided, however* that (i) with respect to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Synthetic Security Counterparty shall be a party to such control agreement and shall consent to the Trustee's control of such Synthetic Security Collateral Account, (ii) with respect to the Securities Lending Account, the Securities Lender shall be a party to such control agreement and shall consent to the Trustee's control of such Securities Lending Account and (iii) with respect to each Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the related Hedge Counterparty shall be a party to such control agreement and shall consent to the Trustee's control of such Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.

(e) The Trustee shall supply, in a timely fashion, to the Co-Issuers and the Portfolio Manager any information regularly maintained by the Trustee that the Co-Issuers or the Portfolio Manager may from time to time request with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the Accounts and the Collateral and provide any other requested information reasonably available to the Trustee because of its acting as Trustee under this Indenture and required to be provided by Section 10.6, to permit the Portfolio Manager to perform its obligations under the Management Agreement. The Trustee shall promptly forward to the Portfolio Manager copies of notices and other writings received by it from the issuer of any Collateral Obligation or from any Clearing Agency with respect to any Collateral Obligation which notices or writings advise the holders of the security of any rights that the holders might have with respect to the Collateral Obligation (including requests to vote with respect to amendments or waivers and notices of prepayments and redemptions) as well as all periodic financial reports received from the issuer and Clearing Agencies with respect to the issuer.



(f) To the extent monies deposited in any Account exceed amounts insured by the Bank Insurance Fund or Savings Association Insurance Fund administered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, or any agencies succeeding to its insurance functions, and are not fully collateralized by direct obligations of the United States of America, the excess shall be invested in Eligible Investments as described above.

Section 10.5. ***Synthetic Security Counterparty Account.***

(a) To the extent that any Synthetic Security requires the Issuer to secure its obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee and the Trustee shall establish a segregated non-interest bearing trust account for the Synthetic Security which shall be held in trust for the benefit of the related Synthetic Security Counterparty and over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and this Indenture (a "***Synthetic Security Counterparty Account***"). In the alternative, a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account may be established with a trustee designated by the Synthetic Security Counterparty if that trustee would qualify to be a successor trustee under Section 6.8 and the account satisfies the other requirements of this Section.

As directed in writing by the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee shall deposit (or deliver for deposit) into each Synthetic Security Counterparty Account all amounts or securities that are required to secure the obligations of the Issuer in accordance with the related Synthetic Security, including the entire notional amount of any Synthetic Security in the form of a credit default swap or other similar transaction. The Portfolio Manager shall direct any such deposit only during the Reinvestment Period and only to the extent that monies are available for the purchase of Collateral Obligations pursuant to this Indenture. Any income received on amounts in the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall, after application in accordance with the relevant Synthetic Security, be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Interest Proceeds.

(b) As directed by the Portfolio Manager in writing and in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and this Indenture, amounts on deposit in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be invested in Synthetic Security Collateral.

(c) In connection with the occurrence of a credit event or an event of default or a termination event (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security) under the related Synthetic Security, amounts in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be withdrawn by the Trustee (or the Trustee shall request their withdrawal) and applied toward the payment of any amounts payable by the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the Synthetic Security, as directed by the Portfolio Manager in writing. Any excess amounts held in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, or held directly by a Synthetic Security Counterparty, after payment of all amounts owing from the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the related Synthetic Security shall be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Principal Proceeds.

(d) Amounts on deposit in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the Synthetic Security that relates to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer (with the notional amount as the Principal Balance unless a default exists under the applicable Synthetic Security).

Section 10.6. *Accountings.*

(a) *Monthly.* Commencing the earlier of (a) the first full month after the Ramp-Up Completion Date and (b) the month ending September 2005, (i) in the case of a month in which there is no Payment Date, not later than the eighth Business Day after the last calendar day of such month and (ii) in the case of a month in which there is a Payment Date, on such Payment Date, the Issuer shall cause to be compiled and provided to the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares), the Placement Agents, each Hedge Counterparty, the Rating Agencies, (if so requested by the Placement Agents) the Repository in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(viii) or each Holder of a Security who makes a written request therefor, and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, the Beneficial Owner (or its designee), a monthly report (the "**Monthly Report**"). Each Monthly Report shall be accompanied by a Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice. The Monthly Report shall contain the following information, determined as of (1) in the case of a month in which there is no Payment Date, the last day of the applicable month and (2) in the case of a month in which there is a Payment Date, the Determination Date for such Payment Date, based in part on information provided by the Portfolio Manager (the "**Monthly Determination Date**"):

(i) *Portfolio:*

(A) The Aggregate Principal Balance (and, in the case of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its funded and unfunded amount), interest rate, Stated Maturity, and obligor of each Collateral Obligation;

(B) The stated principal balance of Defaulted Collateral Obligations;

(C) The identity of all Collateral Obligations and all obligations that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange do not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that were released for sale or other disposition (and, for each obligation sold, indicating whether sold as a Credit Risk Obligation, a Credit Improved Obligation, a Current-Pay Obligation, a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, a Workout Asset, or an obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation or whether sold in connection with any withholding tax pursuant to Section 12.1(e) or sold as a discretionary sale pursuant to Section 12.1(h)); and the identity of all Collateral Obligations that were acquired, in each case since the date of the previous Monthly Report;

(D) The obligor of each Workout Asset;

(E) The Purchase Price of each Collateral Obligation acquired, the sale price of each Collateral Obligation sold (or the adjusted purchase or sale price with respect to any exchange of securities requiring an allocation by the Portfolio Manager) since the date of the previous Monthly Report, and the gain or loss (measured against its Purchase Price) on each sale;

(F) The identity of each Collateral Obligation (1) that is a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, a Workout Asset or a PIK Security, and in the case of a PIK Security (i) the principal amount of previously deferred or capitalized interest and (ii) the change in the principal amount of previously deferred or capitalized interest since the most recent Monthly Report or (2) in respect of which an obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the

requirements of a Collateral Obligation has been received, in each case indicating the date of such default, as applicable, and reporting any Other Indebtedness, as defined in clause (ii) in the definition of "Defaulted Collateral Obligation," that the Portfolio Manager has determined not to be material;

(G) The S&P Industry Classification and the Moody's Industry Classification for each Collateral Obligation and the five highest concentrations of Collateral Obligations in the Moody's Industry Classification groups and the five highest concentrations of Collateral Obligations in the S&P Industry Classification groups;

(H) For each Collateral Obligation, the country of the obligor (and the related foreign currency debt rating) and, in the case of a country other than the United States of America, whether the obligor is Domiciled in a Moody's Group I Country, Moody's Group II Country, or Moody's Group III Country and the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations issued by issuers in the applicable country;

(I) For each Collateral Obligation, the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate and S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate;

(J) For each Collateral Obligation, the S&P Rating, and if any S&P Rating for any Collateral Obligation in any Monthly Report is a credit estimate, "non-public" rating or "shadow" rating, the rating shall not be disclosed, but shall be replaced with an asterisk in the place of the applicable credit estimate, "non-public" rating or "shadow" rating;

(K) For each Collateral Obligation, the Moody's Rating and the Moody's Rating Factor, determined, for this purpose, and set forth both with and without regard to whether the Collateral Obligation has been put on watch for possible upgrade or downgrade, and if any Moody's Rating for any Collateral Obligation in any Monthly Report is an "estimated" or "shadow" rating, the rating shall not be disclosed, but shall be replaced with an asterisk in the place of the applicable "estimated" or "shadow" rating;

(L) The Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that have a Moody's Rating of "Caa1" or lower;

(M) The Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that have an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower;

(N) For each Collateral Obligation that is a Participation or a Synthetic Security or is loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement, the related Secondary Risk Counterparty and each Rating Agency's long-term unsecured debt rating of the Secondary Risk Counterparty;

(O) Certain S&P benchmarks relating to the portfolio as provided by S&P in the S&P CDO Monitor regardless whether or not the S&P CDO Monitor passes or fails, including (1) S&P Default Measure (Annualized Portfolio Default Rate), (2) S&P Variability Measure (Annualized Standard Deviation of Portfolio Default Rate), (3) S&P Correlation Measure (Ratio of Standard Deviation of Portfolio with Correlation to Standard Deviation of Portfolio without Correlation), and (4) Weighted Average Default Correlation;

(P) The identity and Market Value of each Collateral Obligation whose Market Value (in the determination of the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator) was determined pursuant to last proviso in the definition of "Market Value";

(Q) The identity of each Collateral Obligation participated from or entered into with a Secondary Risk Counterparty; and

(R) The identity of each Collateral Obligation owned by the Issuer that has not been disposed of within the time limits required by this Indenture.

(ii) *Accounts:*

(A) The amount of any proceeds in the Collection Account, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds (excluding Uninvested Proceeds), and Uninvested Proceeds;

(B) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Revolving Reserve Account;

(C) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account;

(D) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account;

(E) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Securities Lending Account; and

(F) The amount of any proceeds in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account;

(iii) *Hedge Agreements:*

(A) The outstanding notional amount of each Hedge Agreement; and

(B) The amount scheduled to be received and paid by the Issuer pursuant to each Hedge Agreement on the next Payment Date (as specified by the calculation agent under each Hedge Agreement);

(iv) *Coverage Tests, Collateral Quality Tests and Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test:*

(A) The Overcollateralization Ratios and the Overcollateralization Ratios as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date; a statement as to whether each of the Overcollateralization Tests is satisfied and a statement as to whether the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test is satisfied;

(B) The Interest Coverage Ratios and, on and after the second Payment Date, a statement as to whether each of the Interest Coverage Tests is satisfied;

(C) The Diversity Score and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Diversity Test is satisfied;

(D) The Weighted Average Life of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied;

(E) The Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate, the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test with respect to the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate and Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test with respect to the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate is satisfied;

(F) The Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied and a statement as to the amount of Spread Excess was used to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test;

(G) The Weighted Average Spread of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied and a statement as to the amount of Fixed Rate Excess was used to satisfy the Weighted Average Spread Test;

(H) The Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied; and

(I) The S&P CDO Monitor Test and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied and the Class Scenario Loss Rate and the then applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate with respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P and the adjusted Weighted Average Spread level determined as set forth in the definition of "Note Break-Even Loss Rate";

(v) *Concentration Limitations and Withholding Taxes:*

(A) The percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount itemized against each element of the Concentration Limitations and a statement as to whether each Concentration Limitation is satisfied; and

(B) Any withholding tax on payments under any Collateral Obligation;

(vi) *Securities Lending Agreements:*

(A) Each Collateral Obligation loaned or borrowed pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount that represents Collateral Obligations that are loaned or borrowed pursuant to Securities Lending Agreements; and

(B) With respect to each Securities Lending Agreement in effect as of the Monthly Determination Date, a list setting forth:

- (1) for each Collateral Obligation loaned or borrowed under it as of the first day of the loan, (x) its Principal Balance, (y) its Market Value, and (z) its Principal Balance expressed as a percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount,
  - (2) the term of the loan of the Collateral Obligation,
  - (3) the expiration date of the Securities Lending Agreement,
  - (4) the Moody's Rating and S&P Rating for each loaned or borrowed Collateral Obligation,
  - (5) the principal amount of the related Securities Lending Collateral held in the Securities Lending Account, and
  - (6) the Eligible Investments held as Securities Lending Collateral pursuant to the related Securities Lending Agreement; and
- (vii) Any other information the Trustee reasonably requests.

Upon receipt of each Monthly Report, the Trustee shall compare the information contained in the Monthly Report to the information contained in its records with respect to the Collateral and shall, within three Business Days after receipt of such Monthly Report, notify the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Portfolio Manager if the information contained in the Monthly Report does not conform to the information maintained by the Trustee with respect to the Collateral, and shall detail any discrepancies. In the event that any discrepancy exists, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Portfolio Manager shall attempt to resolve the discrepancy. If such discrepancy cannot be promptly resolved, the Trustee shall within five Business Days after notification of such discrepancy cause the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8 to review such Monthly Report and the Trustee's records to determine the cause of such discrepancy. If such review reveals an error in the Monthly Report or the Trustee's records, the Monthly Report or the Trustee's records shall be revised accordingly and, as so revised, shall be used in making all calculations pursuant to this Indenture and notice of any error in the Monthly Report shall be sent as soon as practicable by the Issuer to all recipients of the report. If the review by the Independent accountants does not resolve the discrepancy, the Trustee, upon receipt of an Officer's certificate of the Portfolio Manager certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Portfolio Manager, the information contained in the related Monthly Report is correct, shall conform the information it maintains to the Monthly Report received.

(b) *Payment Date Accounting.* The Issuer shall cause to be rendered an accounting report (the "**Valuation Report**"), determined as of the close of business on each Determination Date, and provided to the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares), the Issuer, the Placement Agents, each Hedge Counterparty, the Rating Agencies, each Noteholder and Composite Securityholder (if so requested by the Placement Agents) the Repository in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(viii), the Depository (with instructions to forward it to each of its Agent Members who are holders of Notes), and upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner and the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) not later than the second Business Day preceding the related Payment Date. Each Valuation Report shall be accompanied by a Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice. The Valuation Report shall contain the following information as of the

related Payment Date (unless otherwise stated), based in part on information provided by the Portfolio Manager:

(i) *Securities:*

(A) The amount of principal payments to be made on each Class of Securities on the related Payment Date;

(B) The Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Securities after giving effect to any principal payments on the related Payment Date and, for each Class of Securities, the percentage of its initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount that amount represents;

(C) For each Class of Securities, the percentage of the initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all of the Securities that its initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount represented and, after giving effect to any principal payments on the related Payment Date, the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all of the Securities that its Aggregate Outstanding Amount represents;

(D) The interest payable in respect of each Class of Securities on the related Payment Date (in the aggregate and by Class) and its calculation in reasonable detail;

(E) For the Composite Securities, their Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance, Class 1 Composite Security Principal Balance or Class 2 Composite Security Rated Balance, as applicable; and

(F) The amounts to be paid, if any, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payments on the Preference Shares on the related Payment Date, showing separately the payments from Interest Proceeds and the payments from Principal Proceeds;

(ii) *Payment Date Payments:*

(A) The amounts to be distributed under each clause of Sections 11.1(a)(i), 11.1(a)(ii) and 11.2 itemized by clause, and to the extent applicable, by type of distribution under the clause; and

(B) Any amounts payable under the Hedge Agreements by any Hedge Counterparty on or before the related Payment Date and its calculation in reasonable detail (as specified by the calculation agent under the Hedge Agreement);

(iii) *Accounts:*

(A) The amount of any proceeds in the Collection Account, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds (excluding Uninvested Proceeds) and Uninvested Proceeds;

(B) The amount in the Collection Account after all payments and deposits to be made on the related Payment Date, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds and as Principal Proceeds;

- (C) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Revolving Reserve Account;
- (D) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account;
- (E) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account;
- (F) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Securities Lending Account;
- (G) The amount in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account; and
- (H) The amount in the Expense Reimbursement Account;
- (iv) A notice setting forth LIBOR, as calculated by the Calculation Agent, for the next Interest Period and each Note Interest Rate for the next Payment Date; and
- (v) Any other information the Trustee reasonably requests.

Upon receipt of each Valuation Report, the Trustee shall compare the information contained in the Valuation Report to the information contained in its records with respect to the Collateral and shall, within three Business Days after receipt of such Valuation Report, notify the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Portfolio Manager if the information contained in the Valuation Report does not conform to the information maintained by the Trustee with respect to the Collateral, and shall detail any discrepancies. In the event that any discrepancy exists, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Portfolio Manager shall attempt to resolve the discrepancy. If such discrepancy cannot be promptly resolved, the Trustee shall within five Business Days after notification of such discrepancy cause the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8 to review such Valuation Report and the Trustee's records to determine the cause of such discrepancy. If such review reveals an error in the Valuation Report or the Trustee's records, the Valuation Report or the Trustee's records shall be revised accordingly and, as so revised, shall be used in making all calculations pursuant to this Indenture and notice of any error in the Valuation Report shall be sent as soon as practicable by the Issuer to all recipients of such report. If the review by the Independent accountants does not resolve the discrepancy, the Trustee, upon receipt of an Officer's certificate of the Portfolio Manager certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Portfolio Manager, the information contained in the related Valuation Report is correct, shall conform the information it maintains to the Valuation Report received.

(c) *Failure to Provide Accounting.* If the Trustee shall not have received any accounting provided for in Section 10.6(b) on the first Business Day after the date on which the accounting is due to the Trustee, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager, and the Portfolio Manager shall use all reasonable efforts to cause the accounting to be made by the applicable Payment Date. To the extent the Trustee is required to provide any information or reports pursuant to this Section 10.6 as a result of the failure of the Issuer (or anyone acting on the Issuer's behalf) to provide the information or reports, the Trustee may retain an Independent certified public accountant in connection therewith and the reasonable costs incurred by the Trustee for the Independent certified public accountant shall be reimbursed pursuant to Section 6.7.

(d) *Irish Stock Exchange.* So long as any Class of Securities is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange: (i) the Trustee shall communicate to the Irish Stock Exchange the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each listed Class of Securities following each Payment Date and inform the Irish Stock



Exchange if any such Class of Securities did not receive scheduled payments of principal or interest on the Payment Date; (ii) the Trustee shall inform the Irish Stock Exchange if the ratings assigned to the Securities are reduced or withdrawn and the information shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange; and (iii) the Trustee shall inform the Irish Stock Exchange, in advance, of the Note Interest Rate for each such Class, as well as the exact date of the following Payment Date.

(e) *Quarterly Letter.* The Portfolio Manager shall provide a quarterly letter to the recipients of the Valuation Report highlighting events occurring during the related quarterly period within 30 days of the date of the delivery of the Valuation Report.

(f) *S&P CDO Monitor.* On or after the Ramp-Up Completion Date and together with each Monthly Report, the Issuer shall provide to S&P a Microsoft Excel File of the S&P Monitor input file and, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, the name of the obligor thereon, the CUSIP number thereof (if applicable) and the S&P Priority Category thereof.

(g) *Payments or Transfers from the Payment Account.* Each Valuation Report shall constitute instructions to the Trustee to withdraw on the related Payment Date from the Payment Account and pay or transfer amounts set forth in such Valuation Report in the manner specified and in accordance with the priority established in Section 11.1 hereof.

(h) *NAV Calculation.* The Trustee shall forward to the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares), the Placement Agents, each Hedge Counterparty, the Rating Agencies, (if so requested by the Placement Agents) the Repository in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(viii) or each Holder of a Security who makes a written request therefor, and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, the Beneficial Owner (or its designee), any net asset value report with respect to the Issuer which the Trustee receives from the asset value calculation agent appointed pursuant to Section 10.8(a) hereof.

#### Section 10.7. ***Release of Collateral.***

(a) The Trustee shall present Collateral for redemption or payment in full in accordance with the terms of the Collateral upon receipt of an Issuer Order. If no Event of Default is continuing, the Issuer may, by Issuer Order executed by an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager, delivered to the Trustee at least two Business Days before the settlement date for any sale of an obligation certifying that the sale of the Collateral is being made in accordance with Sections 12.1 and 12.3 and the sale complies with all applicable requirements of Section 12.1, direct the Trustee to release the Collateral and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall deliver any such Collateral, if in physical form, duly endorsed to the broker or purchaser designated in the Issuer Order or otherwise cause an appropriate transfer of it to be made, in each case against receipt of the sales price therefor as specified by the Portfolio Manager in the Issuer Order. The Trustee may deliver any such Collateral in physical form for examination pursuant to a bailee letter.

(b) If no Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall upon an Issuer Order executed by an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager deliver any Pledged Obligation that is set for any mandatory call or redemption or payment in full to the appropriate paying agent on or before the date set for the call, redemption, or payment, in each case against receipt of its call or redemption price or payment in full and provide notice of it to the Portfolio Manager.

(c) Upon receiving actual notice of any Offer, the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer shall notify the Portfolio Manager of any Collateral Obligation that is subject to a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion, or other similar action (an "***Offer***"). If no Event of Default

is continuing, the Portfolio Manager may direct the Trustee to accept or participate in or decline or refuse to participate in the Offer and, in the case of acceptance or participation, to dispose of the Collateral Obligation in accordance with the Offer against receipt of payment for it. If the consideration to be received by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation is other than Cash, the consideration must be a Collateral Obligation that would be eligible for purchase by the Issuer pursuant to Section 12.2 assuming for this purpose that the Issuer committed to purchase the same on the date on which the Issuer accepts the Offer.

(d) Upon disposition by the Trustee of Collateral to any person against receipt of payment therefore as provided in any of the foregoing clauses (a), (b), or (c), the Collateral shall be free of the lien of this Indenture. The lien shall continue in the proceeds received from the disposition.

(e) As provided in Section 10.2(b), the Trustee shall deposit any proceeds received by it from the disposition of a Pledged Obligation in the Collection Account, unless simultaneously applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or Eligible Investments as permitted under and in accordance with the requirements of this Article 10 and Article 12.

(f) The Trustee shall, upon receipt of an Issuer Order when no Securities are Outstanding and all obligations of the Co-Issuers under this Indenture have been satisfied, as evidenced by an Officer's Certificate or an Opinion of Counsel, release any remaining Collateral from the lien of this Indenture.

(g) The Trustee shall release from the lien of this Indenture any Collateral that is provided directly to a Synthetic Security Counterparty or deposited in a segregated account in accordance with Section 10.5. Any Collateral or proceeds received by or redeposited by the Issuer into the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.5 shall again be subject to the lien of this Indenture.

Any collateral deposited in a segregated account in accordance with Section 10.3(d), (e), and (f) shall be subject to the lien of this Indenture for the benefit of the Secured Parties. Any collateral withdrawn by the Issuer in accordance with Section 10.3(d), (e), and (f) shall be released from the lien of this Indenture by the Trustee to the extent returned to the appropriate counterparty pursuant to Sections 10.3(d), (e), and (f).

#### Section 10.8. ***Reports by Independent Accountants.***

(a) At the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, shall appoint a firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation for purposes of preparing and delivering the reports or certificates of the accountants required by this Indenture. Within 30 days of any resignation by the firm, the Issuer, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, shall promptly appoint by Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee and each Rating Agency a successor firm that is a firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation. If the Issuer, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, fails to appoint a successor to a firm of Independent certified public accountants which has resigned within 30 days after the resignation, the Trustee, in consultation with the Portfolio Manager, shall promptly appoint a successor firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation. In addition, the Issuer shall appoint an net asset value calculation agent to prepare and deliver to the Trustee a net asset value report with respect to the Issuer. The fees of such Independent certified

public accountants, the NAV calculation agent and their respective successors shall be payable by the Issuer as an Administrative Expense.

(b) On or before May, 31 of each year commencing in 2006, the Issuer shall cause to be delivered to the Trustee the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Portfolio Manager or each Noteholder or Holder of Preference Shares upon written request therefor, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) and each Rating Agency a statement from a firm of Independent certified public accountants indicating (i) that the firm has reviewed each Valuation Report received since the last review and applicable information from the Trustee, (ii) that the calculations within those Valuation Reports have been performed in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture (except as otherwise noted in the statement), and (iii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the preceding Determination Date. If a conflict exists between the firm of Independent certified public accountants and the Issuer with respect to any matter in this Section 10.7, the determination by that firm of Independent public accountants shall be conclusive. The statement shall be in the form of an Accountant's Certificate issued to the Issuer, the form of which shall be agreed on by the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer.

(c) Upon the written request of the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any Holder of Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the firm of Independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to Section 10.7(a) to provide any Holder of Preference Shares with all information requested pursuant to Section 7.17(g) or provide the Issuer with any assistance required in its preparation.

#### Section 10.9. ***Reports to Rating Agencies.***

In addition to the information and reports specifically required to be provided to each Rating Agency pursuant to this Indenture, the Issuer shall provide each Rating Agency with the Accountants' Certificates delivered to the Trustee under this Indenture, and such additional information as either Rating Agency may from time to time reasonably request. In addition, any notices of restructurings and amendments received by the Issuer or the Trustee in connection with the Issuer's ownership of a DIP Loan shall be delivered by the Issuer or the Trustee, as the case may be, promptly to the Rating Agencies.

## ARTICLE 11

### APPLICATION OF MONIES

#### Section 11.1. ***Disbursements of Monies from Payment Account.***

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision in this Indenture, but subject to the other subsections of this Section 11.1 and to Section 13.1, on each Payment Date, the Trustee shall disburse available amounts from the Payment Account as follows and for application by the Trustee in accordance with the following priorities (the "***Priority of Payments***"):

(i) On each Payment Date, Interest Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period (other than Interest Proceeds previously used during such Due Period to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations or otherwise used as permitted by Section 10.2) shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

(1) to the payment of any taxes and registration and filing fees owed by the Co-Issuers (without limit) and then to the payment of Administrative Expenses up to the Administrative Expense Cap as follows:

FIRST, in the following order of priority,

- (i) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Trustee; and then
- (ii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Collateral Administrator; and then
- (iii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Preference Shares Paying Agent; and

SECOND, in the following order of priority,

- (x) fees and expenses of the Administrator; and then
  - (y) fees and expenses of the Co-Issuers (including fees and expenses of counsel and surveillance, credit estimate, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies) and any other person (except the Portfolio Manager) if specifically provided for in this Indenture, and to the expenses (but not fees) of the Portfolio Manager if payable under the Management Agreement;
- (2) the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts paid pursuant to clause (1) above to deposit into the Expense Reimbursement Account;
- (3) to the payment to the Portfolio Manager of any accrued and unpaid Senior Management Fee then payable;
- (4) to the payment of all amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements (if any) other than any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;
- (5) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A Notes;
- (6) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class B Notes;
- (7) if the Class A/B Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the Note Payment Sequence in the amount necessary so that all of the Class A/B Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (7) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(1) on the current Payment Date);
- (8) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class C Notes (excluding Class C Deferred Interest, but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class C Deferred Interest);

(9) if the Class C Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class C Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (9) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(2) on the current Payment Date);

(10) to the payment of Class C Deferred Interest;

(11) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class D Notes (excluding Class D Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class D Deferred Interest);

(12) if the Class D Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class D Notes in the amount necessary so that all of the Class D Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full, or if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that a Rating Confirmation is obtained, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (12) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(3) on the current Payment Date);

(13) to the payment of Class D Deferred Interest;

(14) to deposit in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds amounts representing Principal Proceeds previously used to pay amounts referred to in clauses (1), (3) through (5), (6), (8), (10), (11) and (13) above and not previously restored to the Collection Account or, if not restored to the Collection Account, used to purchase Collateral Obligations;

(15) during the Reinvestment Period, if the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, for deposit to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds the lesser of (i) 50% of the remaining Interest Proceeds available after the payments pursuant to clause (14) above and (ii) the amount necessary to cause the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as of such Determination Date, after application of funds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(1) on the current Payment Date;

(16) to the payment of any remaining Administrative Expenses not paid under clause (1) above in the respective priorities specified in clause (1);

(17) to the payment (i) first to the Portfolio Manager of accrued and unpaid Subordinated Management Fee then due and payable and (ii) to each Holder of Securities entitled thereto, the applicable Extension Bonus Payment pursuant to, and in accordance with, Section 2.4(g);

(18) to the payment of any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;

(19) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the

Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 15.0%;

(20) to the payment to the Portfolio Manager of the Incentive Management Fee, if applicable; and

(21) any remaining Interest Proceeds, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

(ii) On each Payment Date, Principal Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period other than:

(A) Principal Proceeds previously reinvested in Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or otherwise used as permitted by Section 10.2,

(B) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, or the Securities Lending Account, and

(C) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed Purchase Prices for Collateral Obligations with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment before the end of the Due Period for their purchase, but has not settled the purchase by the end of the Due Period,

shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

(1) (x) first, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (1) and (3) through (6) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (y) second, to the payment of amounts referred to in clause (7) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class A/B Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (1), or until such amounts are paid in full;

(2) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (8) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent that all of the Coverage Tests would be met on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (2);

(3) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (9) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class C Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (3), or until such amounts are paid in full;

(4) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (10) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder, only to the extent that all of

the Coverage Tests would be met on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (4);

(5) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (11) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder, only to the extent that all of the Coverage Tests would be met on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (5);

(6) to the payment of principal of the Notes in the Note Payment Sequence in an amount necessary to (A) cause the Class D Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (6), or until paid in full or (B) if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, obtain a Rating Confirmation, or until paid in full;

(7) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (13) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder, only to the extent that all of the Coverage Tests would be met on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (7);

(8)

(A) if the Payment Date is a Redemption Date in the following order of priority: (i) to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of the Redemption Prices of all of the Notes to be redeemed, (ii) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (16) through (20) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (iii) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares of the Redemption Price of any Preference Shares to be redeemed; and

(B) if the Payment Date is a Special Redemption Date, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of the Notes in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount, in each case until paid in full;

(9) during the Reinvestment Period, all remaining Principal Proceeds to the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.19 and Article 12 (and, until so applied (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), to be deposited in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds);

(10) after the Reinvestment Period, (i) first, at the discretion of the Portfolio Manager (with respect to Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations) to the purchase or funding of substitute Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the applicable provisions of this Indenture when appropriate Collateral Obligations are available, and until such time, to the Collection Account for the purchase of Eligible Investments; and (ii) second, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of Notes until paid in full;

(11) to the extent not previously paid in full under clause (8) above, after the Reinvestment Period, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (16) through (20)

of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; and

(12) after the Reinvestment Period to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

(b) If on any Payment Date the amount available in the Payment Account is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by the Valuation Report, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for in the order and according to the priority under Section 11.1(a), subject to Section 13.1, to the extent funds are available therefor.

(c) The Trustee shall remit funds to pay Administrative Expenses of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in accordance with Section 11.1(a), to the extent available, to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer as directed and designated in an Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions) delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before each Payment Date.

(d) If the Hedge Counterparty defaults in the payment of its obligations to the Issuer under the respective Hedge Agreements on the date on which any payment is due thereunder, the Trustee shall make a demand on the Hedge Counterparty, or any guarantor, if applicable, demanding payment by 12:30 p.m., New York time, on that date. The Trustee shall give notice to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Portfolio Manager and each Rating Agency upon the continuing failure by the Hedge Counterparty to perform its obligations during the two Business Days following a demand made by the Trustee on, the Hedge Counterparty, and shall take the action with respect to the continuing failure as directed by the Portfolio Manager unless an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing in which case direction is to be taken pursuant to Section 5.13.

(e) Except as otherwise expressly provided in Section 11.1(a) above, if on any Payment Date, the amount available in the Payment Account from amounts received in the related Due Period is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by any numbered or lettered paragraph or clause of Section 11.1(a) to different persons, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for by the paragraph or clause ratably in accordance with the respective amounts of the disbursements then payable, subject to Section 13.1, to the extent funds are available therefor.

(f) On each Payment Date on which distributions are made in respect of the Class C Notes, a portion of such payment will be allocated to the Class 2 Composite Securities in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Component bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes (including the Class C Note Component). The payment of distributions, redemption amounts and any other payments on the Class 2 Composite Securities will be distributed in the same manner as the Class C Notes to which the Class C Component relates.

(g) On each Payment Date on which distributions are made in respect of the Class D-2 Notes, a portion of such payment will be allocated to the Class 1 Composite Securities in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D-2 Component bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D-2 Notes (including the Class D-2 Note Component). The payment of distributions, redemption amounts and any other payments on the Class 1 Composite Securities will be distributed in the same manner as the Class D-2 Notes to which the Class D-2 Component relates.



(h) On each Payment Date on which distributions are made in respect of the Preference Shares, a portion of such payment will be allocated to the Composite Securities in the proportion that the aggregate Face Amount of the Preference Share Components bears to the aggregate Face Amount of the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components). The payment of distributions, redemption amounts and any other payments on the Composite Securities will be distributed in the same manner as the Preference Shares to which the Preference Share Components relate.

## ARTICLE 12

### SALE OF COLLATERAL OBLIGATIONS; PURCHASE OF COLLATERAL OBLIGATIONS

#### Section 12.1. *Sales of Collateral Obligations.*

Subject to the satisfaction of the conditions specified in Section 10.6, Section 12.1 and Section 12.3 and if no Event of Default is continuing as evidenced by an Officer's Certificate of the Portfolio Manager provided to the Trustee, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset if the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that the sale meets the requirements of any one of paragraphs (a) through (i) of this Section 12.1. If the Issuer sells any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset during the Reinvestment Period, the proceeds shall be reinvested in accordance with Section 12.2.

(a) *Credit Risk Obligations.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Risk Obligation at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Risk Obligation in accordance with such direction. Following any sale of a Credit Risk Obligation pursuant to this Section 12.1(a), at the direction of the Portfolio Manager during the Reinvestment Period, the Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (to the extent the purchase is in the best interest of the Issuer) with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Sale Proceeds received by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral Obligation sold. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount.

(b) *Credit Improved Obligations.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Improved Obligation if either:

(i) during the Reinvestment Period, the Portfolio Manager believes before the sale that it will be able to cause the Issuer to reinvest its Sale Proceeds, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria, in one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Credit Improved Obligation by the end of the immediately succeeding Due Period (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest); or

(ii) after the Reinvestment Period, the Sale Proceeds received in respect of the Credit Improved Obligation are at least equal to its Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal

balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest;

and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Improved Obligation in accordance with such direction.

(c) *Non-Performing Collateral Obligations and Current-Pay Obligations.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Current-Pay Obligation at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Current-Pay Obligation in accordance with such direction. Non-Performing Collateral Obligations may be sold regardless of price; provided, that, the Principal Balance of any Collateral Obligation purchased with proceeds of any Current-Pay Obligation shall equal or exceed the Principal Balance of such Current-Pay Obligation that was sold.

(d) *Non-qualifying Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell that obligation in accordance with such direction.

(e) *Withholding Tax Sales.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation subject to withholding tax at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction.

(f) *Optional Redemption.* After the Issuer has notified the Trustee of an Optional Redemption of the Notes in accordance with Article 9, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all or a portion of the Collateral Obligations as contemplated therein if (i) the requirements of Article 9 are satisfied and (ii) the Independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to Section 10.7 have confirmed the calculations contained in any required certificate furnished by the Portfolio Manager pursuant to Section 9.3(c). After a Majority of the Preference Shares have directed an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares in accordance with Section 9.2(b), at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all of the remaining Collateral Obligations (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(i)) or a portion of the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous directions of Holders of the Preference Shares (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii)) and the Trustee shall sell the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

(g) *Rating Confirmation Failure.* After the Portfolio Manager has received notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Securities, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, direct the Trustee to sell Collateral Obligations as contemplated in Section 9.1 and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

(h) *Discretionary Sales.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation:

(i) at any time on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without regard to any restriction specified in clause (ii) below); and

(ii) at any time after the Ramp-Up Completion Date if:

(A) after giving effect to the sale and the sale of any other Collateral Obligations whose sale is pending, the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations sold pursuant to this Section 12.1(h)(ii) (in each case determined as of the date the direction to sell is given) is not greater than 20% of the Maximum Investment Amount as of January 1 of such calendar year (or, for the first calendar year, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date); and

(B) during the Reinvestment Period the Portfolio Manager believes before the sale that it will be able to cause the Issuer within 30 days thereafter to reinvest or commit to reinvest its Sale Proceeds, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria, in one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Collateral Obligation (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest);

and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction. However, if the rating by Moody's of any of the Class A Notes is one or more rating sub-categories below the Initial Rating of the Class A Notes or has been withdrawn or the rating by Moody's of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes is two or more rating sub-categories below the Initial Rating of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes or the Class D Notes has been withdrawn, the Issuer shall not instruct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligations pursuant to this Section 12.1(h). This restriction may be waived by written consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class. For the purposes of this subsection (h), any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not restrict the sale of any Collateral Obligations pursuant to this subsection (h) if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody's has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Class A Notes or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

For the purposes of determining the percentage of Collateral Obligations sold during any period in Section 12.1(h)(ii):

(i) the amount of any Collateral Obligation sold shall be reduced:

(A) to the extent of any purchases of Collateral Obligations of the same obligor (that are *pari passu* with the sold Collateral Obligation) occurring within 30 Business Days of the sale (determined based on the date of any relevant trade confirmation or commitment letter) (but only for so long as (x) the Collateral Obligations purchased have not been downgraded by any of the Rating Agencies during the 30 Business Day period, (y) the Collateral Obligations have not been purchased from the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates acting, in each case, as principal or from any funds or accounts advised or managed by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates, and (z) the purchase price of each Notes purchased Collateral Obligation must not exceed the sale price of the sold Collateral Obligation), and

(B) to the extent of any purchases of Collateral Obligations permitted pursuant to Section 12.2(c); and

(ii) any Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a

diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time that is invested into a substantially similar Synthetic Security but with a later maturity shall be treated as having been sold.

(i) *Workout Assets.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Workout Asset at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and regardless of price and the Trustee shall sell the Workout Assets in accordance with such direction.

Section 12.2. ***Purchase of Collateral Obligations.***

(a) On any date during the Reinvestment Period (and, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, on any date after the Reinvestment Period), so long as no Event of Default is continuing, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to invest or reinvest Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations) in Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) if the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that, to the best knowledge of the Portfolio Manager, the conditions specified in this Section 12.2 and Section 12.3 are met.

(b) *Eligibility Criteria.* No obligations may be purchased unless each of the conditions in the following clauses (i) through (xii) (the "***Eligibility Criteria***") is satisfied as evidenced by a certificate of the Portfolio Manager as of the date the Issuer commits to make the purchase, in each case after giving effect to the purchase and all other purchases and sales previously or simultaneously committed to:

(i) the obligation is a Collateral Obligation;

(ii) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period:

(A) each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied and, if the commitment is made on or after the second Payment Date, each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied, or

(B) if any such Coverage Test is not satisfied, both:

(1) the extent of satisfaction of the Coverage Test is not reduced, and

(2) the Collateral Obligation is being purchased with Principal Proceeds other than:

(x) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, or

(y) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Workout Asset that has been received in exchange for a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;

(iii) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Diversity Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(iv) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(v) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, each of the limits in the definition of "Concentration Limitations" is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(vi) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(vii) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(viii) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(ix) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(x) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(xi) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced; provided, however, that this Eligibility Criterion (xi) shall not apply either to reinvestment of the proceeds from the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset or to the reinvestment of Principal Proceeds in respect of Defaulted Collateral Obligations; and

(xii) for any date occurring after the Reinvestment Period:

(A) each Coverage Test is satisfied and the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(B) each Collateral Quality Test is maintained or improved and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied;

(C) each Concentration Limitation is maintained or improved and the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Caa Collateral Obligations do not exceed 7.50% of the Maximum Investment Amount;

(D) the maturity date of such Collateral Obligation will occur prior to the Stated Maturity of the Notes;

(E) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation is at least equal to the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled

Principal Payments or of the Credit Risk Obligations or Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable; and

(F) the current Moody's Ratings on the Class A Notes are "Aaa" and the current Moody's Ratings on the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes are no lower than one subcategory below their Initial Rating.

(c) *Certain Permitted Exchanges.*

The Issuer may, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, exchange a Collateral Obligation for another Collateral Obligation in an A/B Exchange.

(d) *Certification by Portfolio Manager.* Not later than the Business Day preceding the settlement date for any Collateral Obligation purchased after the Closing Date (but in any event no later than the release of Cash for the Purchase Price of the purchase), the Portfolio Manager shall deliver to the Trustee an Officer's certificate of the Portfolio Manager certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Portfolio Manager, the purchase complies with this Section 12.2 and with Section 12.3 (determined as of the date that the Issuer commits to make the purchase).

(e) *Investment in Eligible Investments.* Cash on deposit in the Collection Account may be invested at any time in Eligible Investments in accordance with Section 10.4(a) pending investment in Collateral Obligations.

Section 12.3. ***Conditions Applicable to All Sale and Purchase Transactions.***

(a) Any sale or purchase by the Issuer of a Collateral Obligation shall be conducted on an arm's length basis and, if effected with the Portfolio Manager or a person Affiliated with the Portfolio Manager or any fund or account for which the Portfolio Manager or an Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager acts as investment adviser, shall be effected in accordance with the requirements of Section 5 of the Management Agreement on terms no less favorable to the Issuer than would be the case if the person were not so Affiliated. The Trustee shall have no responsibility to oversee compliance with this clause (a) by the other parties.

(b) Upon any acquisition of any Collateral Obligation, all of the Issuer's interest in the Collateral Obligation shall be Granted to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture.

Section 12.4. ***Certain Determinations Relating to Collateral Obligations.***

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Indenture, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have purchased any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer delivers to the Trustee a contract to purchase, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to receive such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have acquired, granted or delivered, as the case may be, such Collateral Obligations on such date.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Indenture, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer delivers to the Trustee a contract to sell, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to sell, and requiring the purchaser to purchase, such Collateral

Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold such Collateral Obligations on such date.

(c) Under the circumstances described in subsections (a) and (b) above, if the transaction contemplated by the contract, commitment letter, confirmation or due bill referred to therein does not settle on or before the 60th day following the scheduled settlement date (the "**Deadline**"), the deemed purchase or sale shall be deemed not to have occurred; provided, however, that the Portfolio Manager shall have the right to extend the Deadline for an additional period (not to exceed an additional 60 days) by notice to the Trustee, which notice shall include the Portfolio Manager's certification to the effect that the Portfolio Manager believes that the settlement shall occur on or before the extended Deadline.

(d) Scheduled distributions with respect to any Pledged Collateral Obligation shall be determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture.

## ARTICLE 13

### NOTEHOLDERS' RELATIONS

#### Section 13.1. ***Subordination.***

(a) With respect to each Class of Notes and the Preference Shares, the Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares that are Priority Classes and Junior Classes are as follows:

Class	Junior Classes	Priority Classes
Class A	B, C, D, Preference Shares	None
Class B	C, D, Preference Shares	Class A
Class C	D, Preference Shares	Class A, B
Class D	Preference Shares	Class A, B, C
Preference Shares	None*	Class A, B, C, D

\* The Preference Shares will be entitled to certain residual cashflow after payment of senior obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

(b) Anything in this Indenture or the Securities to the contrary notwithstanding, the Holders of each Class of Notes that is a Junior Class agree for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class that the Junior Class shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes of each Priority Class to the extent and in the manner provided in this Indenture. If any Event of Default has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs and is continuing in accordance with Article 5, each Priority Class of Notes shall be paid in full in Cash or, to the extent a Majority of the Class consents, other than in Cash, before any further payment or distribution is made on account of any Junior Class of Notes with respect to the Priority Class. The Holders of each Junior Class of Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class in respect of the Junior Class, not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for failure to pay to them amounts due to the Junior Class, of the Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or under this Indenture until the payment in full of the Priority Classes or

all the Classes, as the case may be, and not before one year and a day, or if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, has elapsed since the payment.

(c) If, notwithstanding the provisions of this Indenture, any Holder of Notes of any Junior Class has received any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes contrary to the provisions of this Indenture, then, until each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class of Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, has been paid in full in Cash or, to the extent a Majority of the Priority Class or the Class, as the case may be, consents, other than in Cash in accordance with this Indenture, the payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, which shall pay and deliver the same to the Holders of the applicable Priority Classes of Notes or the Holders of all Classes of Notes, as the case may be, in accordance with this Indenture. If any such payment or distribution is made other than in Cash, it shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and subject in all respects to this Indenture, including this Section 13.1.

(d) Each Holder of Notes of any Junior Class agrees with all Holders of the applicable Priority Classes that the Holder of Junior Class Notes shall not demand, accept, or receive any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes in violation of this Indenture including this Section 13.1. After a Priority Class has been paid in full, the Holders of the Notes of the related Junior Class or Classes shall be fully subrogated to the rights of the Holders of the Priority Class. Nothing in this Section 13.1 shall affect the obligation of the Issuer to pay Holders of any Junior Class of Notes.

(e) Distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares are subordinate to distributions on the Notes and Preference Shares as described in the Priority of Payments.

(f) The Management Fees shall have priority only to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

(g) For purposes of subordination, the Composite Securities shall not be treated as a separate Class, but the Class C Component, Class D-2 Component and Preference Share Components shall be treated as being *pari passu* with the Class C Notes, the Class D-2 Notes and the Preference Shares, respectively.

#### Section 13.2. ***Standard of Conduct.***

In exercising any of its or their voting rights, rights to direct and consent, or any other rights as a Noteholder or a Composite Securityholder under this Indenture, a Noteholder or a Composite Securityholder shall not have any obligation or duty to any person or to consider or take into account the interests of any person and shall not be liable to any person for any action taken by it or them or at its or their direction or any failure by it or them to act or to direct that an action be taken, without regard to whether the action or inaction benefits or adversely affects any Noteholder, Composite Securityholder, the Issuer, or any other person, except for any liability to which the Noteholder or Composite Securityholder may be subject to the extent the same results from the Noteholder's or Composite Securityholder's taking or directing an action, or failing to take or direct an action, in bad faith or in violation of the express terms of this Indenture.



## ARTICLE 14

## MISCELLANEOUS

Section 14.1. *Form of Documents Delivered to Trustee.*

In any case where several matters are required to be certified by, or covered by an opinion of, any specified person, it is not necessary that all the matters be certified by, or covered by the opinion of, only one person, or that they be so certified or covered by only one document, but one such person may certify or give an opinion with respect to some matters and one or more other such persons as to other matters, and any such person may certify or give an opinion as to the matters in one or several documents.

Any certificate or opinion of an Officer of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the Portfolio Manager may be based, insofar as it relates to legal matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, counsel, unless the Officer knows, or should know that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to the matters upon which his certificate or opinion is based are erroneous. Any such certificate of an Officer of the Issuer, Co-Issuer, or the Portfolio Manager or Opinion of Counsel may be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, or any other person, stating that the information with respect to the factual matters is in the possession of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, or the other person, unless the Officer of the Issuer, Co-Issuer, or the Portfolio Manager or the counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to factual matters are erroneous. Any Opinion of Counsel may also be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, an Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, stating that the information with respect to factual matters is in the possession of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, unless the counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to factual matters are erroneous.

Where any person is required to make, give, or execute two or more applications, requests, consents, certificates, statements, opinions, or other instruments under this Indenture, they may, but need not, be consolidated and form one instrument.

Whenever this Indenture provides that the absence of the continuation of a Default or Event of Default is a condition precedent to the taking of any action by the Trustee at the request or direction of either Co-Issuer, then notwithstanding that the satisfaction of the condition is a condition precedent to the Co-Issuer's right to make the request or direction, the Trustee shall be protected in acting in accordance with the request or direction if it does not have knowledge of the continuation of the Default or Event of Default as provided in Section 6.1(d).

Section 14.2. *Acts of Noteholders, Composite Securityholders or Holders of Preference Shares.*

(a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver, or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or taken by Noteholders, Composite Securityholders or Holders of Preference Shares may be embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments of substantially similar tenor signed by Noteholders, Composite Securityholders or Holders of Preference Shares in person or by agents duly appointed in writing. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture the action shall become effective when the instruments are delivered to the Trustee (which instrument or instruments may be delivered through the Preference Shares Paying Agent, in the case of the Holders of the Preference Shares) and, if expressly required, to the Issuer. The instruments (and the action embodied in them) are referred to as the "**Act**" of the Noteholders, the Composite Securityholders or the Holders of Preference Shares signing the

instruments. Proof of execution of any instrument or of a writing appointing an agent for a Noteholder, Composite Securityholder or Holder of a Preference Share shall be sufficient for any purpose of this Indenture and conclusive in favor of the Trustee and the Issuer, if made in the manner provided in this Section.

(b) The fact and date of the execution by any person of any instrument may be proved by an affidavit of a witness to the execution or the certificate of any notary public or other person authorized by law to acknowledge the execution of deeds. Any certificate on behalf of a jural entity executed by a person purporting to have authority to act on behalf of the jural entity shall itself be sufficient proof of the authority of the person executing it to act. The fact and date of the execution by any person of any instrument may also be proved in any other manner that the Trustee deems sufficient.

(c) The Indenture Register shall prove the ownership of the Securities and the principal amount and registered numbers of Securities and the number of Preference Shares held by and the number(s) of the Preference Share certificate(s) issued to, any Person shall be proved by the Preference Share register.

(d) Any Act by the Holder of a Security shall bind every Holder of the same Security and every Security issued on its transfer or in exchange for it or in lieu of it, in respect of anything done, omitted, or suffered to be done by the Trustee or the Issuer in reliance on the Act, whether or not notation of the action is made on the Securities or Preference Shares.

#### Section 14.3. *Notices, etc., to Certain Persons or Parties.*

(a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, order, notice, consent, waiver, or Act of Noteholders or other documents provided or permitted by this Indenture to be made, given, or furnished to, or filed with:

(i) the Trustee or Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and made, given, furnished, or filed to and mailed, by certified mail, return receipt requested, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service guaranteeing next day delivery, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Trustee or Preference Shares Paying Agent addressed to it at its Corporate Trust Office, telecopy no. (713) 216-2101, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto by the Trustee (any request, direction, order, notice or other communication from the Portfolio Manager to the Trustee under Article 12 (other than required certifications) may be by electronic mail, which shall be deemed to be in writing);

(ii) the Co-Issuers shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Issuer addressed to it at c/o Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited, P.O. Box 1234, Queensgate House, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, telecopy no. (345) 945-6265, Attention: The Directors, or to the Co-Issuer addressed to it at 850 Library Avenue, Suite 204, Newark, Delaware, 19711, Attention: Donald J. Puglisi, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, with a copy to the Portfolio Manager at its address below;

(iii) the Portfolio Manager shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Portfolio Manager addressed to it at Two Galleria Tower, 13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300, Dallas, Texas 75240, telecopy

no. (972) 628-4147, Attention: James Dondero, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto;

(iv) IXIS Securities North America Inc. and IXIS Corporate & Investment Bank as the Placement Agents shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Placement Agents addressed to them at 9 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street, 36<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10019, Attention: Structured Credit Products Group and 47 quai d' Austerlitz, 75648 Paris Cedex 13, France, respectively or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager, and the Trustee by an Officer of the Placement Agents;

(v) any Hedge Counterparty shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered or sent by overnight courier service or by telecopy in legible form to the Hedge Counterparty addressed to it at the address specified in the relevant Hedge Agreement or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Issuer or the Trustee by the Hedge Counterparty;

(vi) the Rating Agencies shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to each Rating Agency addressed to it at Moody's Investors Service, Inc., 99 Church Street, New York, New York, 10007, Telecopy No. (212) 553-4170, cdomonitoring@moodys.com, Attention: CBO/CLO Monitoring and Standard & Poor's, 55 Water Street, 41st Floor, New York, New York 10041-0003, telecopy no. (212) 438-2664, Attention: Asset Backed-CBO/CLO Surveillance and each Monthly Report shall also be sent to S&P electronically to CDO\_Surveillance@standardandpoors.com;

(vii) the Administrator shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by facsimile in legible form, addressed to Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited, P.O. Box 1234, Queensgate House, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, telecopy no. (345) 949-9876, Attention: The Directors; or

(viii) the Repository shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if delivered to the Repository at CDO Library, c/o The Bond Market Association, 360 Madison Avenue, 18th Floor, New York, New York 10017, electronic mail address: admin@cdolibrary.com. Any document required to be delivered or made available to the Repository by the Trustee may be made available by providing the operator of the Repository with access to a website containing such document in a format that permits the user to download the document as a pdf file.

(b) If any provision in this Indenture calls for any notice or document to be delivered simultaneously to the Trustee and any other person, the Trustee's receipt of the notice or document shall entitle the Trustee to assume that the notice or document was delivered to the other person unless otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture.

Section 14.4. *Notices to Holders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent; Waiver.*

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, where this Indenture provides for notice to the Noteholders, the Composite Securityholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) of any event,

(a) the notice shall be sufficiently given to the Noteholders, the Composite Securityholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, each Noteholder and Composite Securityholder affected by the event or the Preference Shares Paying Agent, at the address of the Holder as it appears in the Indenture Register or at the address of the Preference Shares Paying Agent supplied by the Preference Shares Paying Agent supplied by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Trustee, as applicable, not earlier than the earliest date and not later than the latest date, prescribed for the giving of the notice; and

(b) the notice shall be in the English language.

Notices shall be deemed to have been given on the date of their mailing.

Notwithstanding clause (a), a Noteholder, a Composite Securityholder or the Preference Shares Paying Agent may give the Trustee a written notice that it is requesting that notices to it be given by facsimile transmissions and stating the telecopy number for the transmission. Thereafter, the Trustee shall give notices to the Holder or the Preference Shares Paying Agent by facsimile transmission. If the notice also requests that notices be given by mail, then the notice shall also be given by mail in accordance with clause (a) above, as the case may be.

The Trustee shall deliver to the Holders of Notes any information or notice relating to this Indenture requested to be so delivered by at least 10% (by Aggregate Outstanding Amount) of the Holders of any Class of Notes at the expense of the Issuer. The Trustee shall deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent any information or notice that the Preference Shares Paying Agent certifies was requested to be so delivered by at least 10% (by Aggregate Outstanding Amount) of the Holders of the Preference Shares at the expenses of the Issuer.

Neither the failure to mail any notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Noteholder, Composite Securityholder or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall affect the sufficiency of the notice with respect to other Noteholders, Composite Securityholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent. If it is impracticable to give the notice by mail of any event to Noteholders, Composite Securityholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent when the notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this Indenture because of the suspension of regular mail service as a result of a strike, work stoppage, or similar activity or because of any other cause, then the notification to Noteholders, Composite Securityholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent as shall be made with the approval of the Trustee shall be a sufficient notification to the Holders for every purpose under this Indenture.

Where this Indenture provides for notice in any manner, the notice may be waived in writing by any person entitled to receive the notice, either before or after the event, and the waiver shall be the equivalent of the notice. Waivers of notice by Noteholders, Composite Securityholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be filed with the Trustee but the filing shall not be a condition precedent to the validity of any action taken in reliance on the waiver.

So long as any Securities are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, all notices to Holders of the Securities or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Preference Shares) shall also be given to the Irish Paying Agent for publication in the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

The Issuer shall (and authorizes the Trustee to) deliver to the Placement Agents all periodic reports, notices, demands, and other written information delivered or received by the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, trustees, paying agents, accountants, or other persons pursuant to this Indenture and other operative documentation relating to the Securities requested by the Placement Agents (collectively, the "**Transaction Reports**") and the Issuer consents to the Placement Agents' providing Transaction Reports received by it to current and prospective investors in the Securities (including by means of electronic transmissions or posting the Transaction Reports on internet sites maintained by the Placement Agents or any of their Affiliates).

Section 14.5. ***Effect of Headings and Table of Contents.***

The Article and Section headings in this Indenture and the Table of Contents are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction of this Indenture.

Section 14.6. ***Successors and Assigns.***

All covenants and agreements in this Indenture by the Co-Issuers shall bind their respective successors and assigns, whether so expressed or not.

Section 14.7. ***Separability.***

Except to the extent prohibited by applicable law, in case any provision in this Indenture, in the Securities shall be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the validity, legality, and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

Section 14.8. ***Benefits of Indenture.***

Nothing in this Indenture or in the Securities, expressed or implied, shall give to any person, other than the parties hereto and their successors under this Indenture, the Portfolio Manager, the Noteholders, the Composite Securityholders, the Holders of Preference Shares or the Preference Shares Paying Agent any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy, or claim under this Indenture.

Section 14.9. ***Legal Holidays.***

If any Payment Date, Redemption Date, or Stated Maturity is not a Business Day, then notwithstanding any other provision of the Notes or this Indenture, payment need not be made on that date, but shall be made on the next Business Day with the same effect as if made on the nominal date of the Payment Date, Redemption Date, or Stated Maturity date, as the case may be, and except as provided in the definition of "Due Period," no interest shall accrue on the payment for the period beginning on the nominal date.

Section 14.10. ***Governing Law.***

(a) THIS INDENTURE AND EACH NOTE (INCLUDING THE NOTE COMPONENTS OF THE COMPOSITE SECURITIES) SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS PROVISIONS THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION.

(b) THE COMPOSITE SECURITIES WILL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK WITH RESPECT TO THE NOTE COMPONENTS. HOWEVER, THE RIGHTS OF A

HOLDER OF THE COMPOSITE SECURITIES WITH RESPECT TO THE PREFERENCE SHARE COMPONENTS WILL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE CAYMAN ISLANDS.

Section 14.11. ***Submission to Jurisdiction.***

The Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or federal court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Securities, the Preference Shares or this Indenture, and the Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably agree that all claims in respect of the action or proceeding may be heard and determined in the New York State or federal court. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably waive, to the fullest extent that they may legally do so, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of the action or proceeding. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee irrevocably consent to the service of all process in any action or proceeding by the mailing or delivery of copies of the process to the Co-Issuers at the office of the Co-Issuers' agent in Section 7.2 and to the Trustee at the Corporate Trust Office. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee agree that a final judgment in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

Section 14.12. ***Counterparts.***

This Indenture may be executed in any number of copies, and by the different parties on the same or separate counterparts, each of which shall be considered to be an original instrument.

Section 14.13. ***Acts of Issuer.***

Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver, or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or performed by the Issuer shall be effective if given or performed by the Issuer or by the Portfolio Manager on the Issuer's behalf.

Section 14.14. ***Consent of Posting of Documents on Repository.***

The Issuer hereby consents to (a) the posting of the final Offering Memorandum, this Indenture and the periodic reports to be delivered pursuant to the transaction documents and any amendments or other modifications thereto on the Repository for use in the manner provided in the Repository; and (b) the display of its name on the Repository in connection therewith. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Trustee makes any representation or warranty to The Bond Market Association (or any successor thereto) or any affiliate thereof or any Person having or obtaining access to the information maintained in the Repository or to any of such Person's affiliates regarding the accuracy or completeness of any information, document, report or other communication transmitted to the Repository, and no Person having or obtaining access to the information maintained in the Repository shall have any rights under this Indenture or otherwise by reason of the transmission of any such information, document, report or other communication to the Repository.

Section 14.15. ***Liability of Co-Issuers.***

Notwithstanding any other terms of this Indenture, the Securities or any other agreement entered into by either of the Co-Issuers or otherwise, neither of the Co-Issuers shall have any liability whatsoever to the other of the Co-Issuers under this Indenture, the Securities, any other agreement, or otherwise. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, neither of the Co-Issuers may take any action to enforce, or bring any action or proceeding, in respect of this Indenture, the Securities, any other agreement, or otherwise against the other of the Co-Issuers. In

particular, neither of the Co-Issuers may petition or take any other steps for the winding up or bankruptcy of the other of the Co-Issuers and neither of the Co-Issuers shall have any claim with respect to any assets of the other of the Co-Issuers.

Section 14.16. *Indemnity of Co-Issuer.*

The Issuer agrees to indemnify the Co-Issuer for any payments that may become due from the Co-Issuer under Article 11 with respect to any Securities issued under this Indenture and any administrative, legal, or other costs incurred by the Co-Issuer in connection with those payments.

ARTICLE 15

ASSIGNMENT OF MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT; HEDGE AGREEMENTS

Section 15.1. *Assignment of Management Agreement.*

(a) The Issuer, in furtherance of the covenants of this Indenture and as security for the Notes and amounts payable to the Secured Parties under this Indenture and the performance and observance of the provisions of this Indenture, acknowledges that its Grant pursuant to the first Granting Clause includes all of the Issuer's interest in the Management Agreement, including:

- (i) the right to give all notices, consents, and releases under it,
- (ii) the right to give all notices of termination pursuant to the Management Agreement and to take any legal action upon the breach of an obligation of the Portfolio Manager under it, including the commencement, conduct, and consummation of proceedings at law or in equity,
- (iii) the right to receive all notices, accountings, consents, releases, and statements under it, and
- (iv) the right to do all other things whatsoever that the Issuer is or may be entitled to do under it.

Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, the Trustee may not exercise any of the rights in (i) through (iv) above or that may otherwise arise as a result of the Grant until the occurrence of an Event of Default under this Indenture and the authority shall terminate when the Event of Default is cured or waived.

(b) The assignment made hereby is executed as security, and the execution and delivery hereby shall not in any way impair or diminish the obligations of the Issuer under the Management Agreement, nor shall any of the obligations contained in the Management Agreement be imposed on the Trustee.

(c) Upon the retirement of the Notes and the release of the Collateral from the lien of this Indenture, this assignment, and all rights in this Indenture assigned to the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders shall cease and terminate and all the interest of the Trustee in the Management Agreement shall revert to the Issuer and no further instrument or act shall be necessary to evidence the termination and reversion.

(d) The Issuer represents that the Issuer has not executed any other assignment of the Management Agreement.

(e) The Issuer agrees that this assignment is irrevocable, and that it shall not take any action that is inconsistent with this assignment or make any other assignment inconsistent herewith. The Issuer shall, from time to time upon the request of the Trustee, execute all instruments of further assurance and all such supplemental instruments with respect to this assignment as the Trustee may reasonably request.

(f) The Issuer agrees to obtain the agreement and consent of the Portfolio Manager in the Management Agreement to the following:

(i) The Portfolio Manager consents to this collateral assignment and agrees to perform any provisions of this Indenture made expressly applicable to the Portfolio Manager pursuant to the Management Agreement.

(ii) The Portfolio Manager acknowledges that the Issuer is collaterally assigning all of its interest in the Management Agreement to the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties and the Portfolio Manager agrees that all of the representations, covenants and agreements made by the Portfolio Manager in the Management Agreement are also for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

(iii) The Portfolio Manager shall deliver to the Trustee duplicate original copies of all notices, statements, communications, and instruments delivered or required to be delivered to the Issuer pursuant to the Management Agreement (other than any of them delivered to the Issuer by the Trustee or the Collateral Administrator).

(iv) Neither the Issuer nor the Portfolio Manager shall select or consent to a successor manager or enter into any agreement amending, modifying, or terminating the Management Agreement (other than an amendment or modification of the type that may be made to this Indenture without Holder consent) without obtaining the consents of Holders that would be required if an amendment or modification of the same type were being made to this Indenture and without the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency with respect thereto.

(v) Except as otherwise provided in this Indenture and the Management Agreement, subject to the resignation rights of the Portfolio Manager pursuant to Section 12 of the Management Agreement, the Portfolio Manager shall continue to serve as Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement notwithstanding that the Portfolio Manager shall not have received amounts due it under the Management Agreement because sufficient funds were not then available under this Indenture to pay the amounts pursuant to the Priority of Payments. The Portfolio Manager agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer for the nonpayment of the fees or other amounts payable by the Administrative Agent to the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement until the payment in full of all Notes issued under this Indenture and the payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent of all amounts payable with respect to the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the expiration of a period equal to the greater of (A) the applicable preference period plus one day or (B) one year and one day following the payment. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Portfolio Manager may commence any legal action that is not a bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation, or similar proceeding against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any of their properties and may take any action it deems appropriate at any time in any bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation, or similar proceeding and any other Proceeding voluntarily commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or involuntarily commenced against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by anyone other than the Portfolio Manager or any Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager.



(vi) The Portfolio Manager irrevocably submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or federal court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Notes, the Preference Shares or this Indenture, and the Portfolio Manager irrevocably agrees that all claims in respect of the action or proceeding may be heard and determined in the New York State or federal court. The Portfolio Manager irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent it may legally do so, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of the action or proceeding. The Portfolio Manager irrevocably consents to the service of all process in any action or Proceeding by the mailing or delivery of copies of the process to it the address provided for in Section 14.3. The Portfolio Manager agrees that a final and non-appealable judgment by a court of competent jurisdiction in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

(g) Following the resignation or removal of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall use its best efforts to appoint a successor Portfolio Manager, and the Issuer, the Trustee, and the resigning or removed Portfolio Manager shall take any action consistent with the Management Agreement and this Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager, necessary to effectuate any such succession.

#### Section 15.2. ***Hedge Agreements.***

(a) At any time and from time to time after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, shall enter into the Hedge Agreements and shall assign its rights (but none of its obligations) under the Hedge Agreements to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture and the Collateral Assignment of Hedge Agreements. The Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, shall obtain the approval of each new Hedge Agreement from each Hedge Counterparty to a then-existing Hedge Agreement. The Trustee shall, on behalf of the Issuer and in accordance with the Valuation Report, pay amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements on any Payment Date in accordance with Section 11.1.

(b) The Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless at the time of entering the Hedge Agreement the Hedge Counterparty has:

(i) a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "Aa3" (which rating of "Aa3" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) or higher if the Hedge Counterparty has only a long-term rating; or a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "A1" (which rating of "A1" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) or higher and a debt rating by Moody's for short-term debt of "P-1" (which rating of "P-1" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) if the Hedge Counterparty has both long-term and short-term ratings; and

(ii) a short-term debt rating by S&P of not less than "A-1" or a long-term debt rating of not less than "A+" (the "***Required Rating***").

(c) If at any time a Hedge Counterparty has:

(A) no short-term Moody's rating and a long-term Moody's rating and that rating is below "Aa3" or is "Aa3" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's; or

(B) both a short-term and long-term Moody's rating; and either:

- (i) the long-term Moody's rating is below "A1" or that rating is "A1" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's, or
- (ii) the short-term Moody's rating is below "P-1" or that rating is "P-1" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's

then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within 30 days, either:

- (i) post collateral with the Trustee to secure the Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement, in an amount and of the type sufficient to cause the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's to be satisfied;
- (ii) obtain a guarantor whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the above criteria;
- (iii) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the above criteria; or
- (iv) take other actions to satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's;

(d) If at any time the Hedge Counterparty has:

- (A) no short-term Moody's rating and a long-term Moody's rating that is "A2" or below or has been suspended or withdrawn;
- (B) both a short-term and long-term Moody's rating; and either:
  - (i) the long-term Moody's rating is "A3" or below or is suspended or withdrawn, or
  - (ii) the short-term Moody's rating is "P-2" or below, or
- (C) a short-term debt rating by S&P below "A-1" or, if the Hedge Counterparty has no short-term rating by S&P, a long-term rating by S&P below "A+" or that has been suspended or withdrawn;

then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within 30 days, either:

- (i) post collateral as required by the Hedge Agreement to secure the Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement in an amount and of the type sufficient to cause the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's and S&P to be satisfied; or
- (ii) (x) obtain a guarantor that has a Required Rating and that will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P with respect to its appointment;

(y) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has a Required Rating and the appointment of which will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P; or

(z) take such other actions to satisfy the Ratings Condition.

Whenever the Issuer enters into a Hedge Agreement, the Hedge Counterparty shall comply with the then currently applicable rating criteria published by each Rating Agency from time to time.

(e) If the Issuer has the right under a Hedge Agreement at any time to demand that the related Hedge Counterparty deliver Eligible Collateral in accordance with an Approved Credit Support Document, the Issuer shall make the demand.

(f) Any payments required to be made under the Hedge Agreements shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Subordinated Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments shall be subordinate to interest and principal payments on the Notes and any other payments required to be made by the Issuer under the Hedge Agreements, but senior to distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares.

(g) Except as provided in paragraph (h) of this Section 15.2, the Issuer, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, shall, promptly following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) (but no later than 60 days after the early termination), at the expense of the Issuer and to the extent possible through application of Hedge Termination Receipts, enter into a Replacement Hedge, unless, in the exercise of the Portfolio Manager's commercially reasonable judgment, to do so would not be in the best interest of the Issuer and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the non-entry into the a Replacement Hedge. In addition, a Replacement Hedge may not be entered into unless the Issuer provides the Rating Agencies with at least seven Business Days' prior written notice of its intention to enter into the agreement, together with its form and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the Replacement Hedge. The Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than a termination resulting from the bankruptcy, insolvency, or similar event with respect to the Hedge Counterparty) to become effective simultaneously with its entering into a Replacement Hedge. To the extent that (i) the Portfolio Manager determines not to replace the Hedge Agreement and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the determination; or (ii) termination is occurring on a Redemption Date, the Hedge Termination Receipts shall become part of Principal Proceeds and be distributed in accordance with Section 11.1 on the next following Payment Date (or on the Redemption Date, if the Notes are redeemed on the Redemption Date).

(h) Notwithstanding Section 15.2(g), the applicable requirements of Section 15.2(g) shall not have to be met if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is otherwise satisfied with respect thereto.

(i) The notional amounts of the Hedge Agreements outstanding at any time may be reduced or increased from time to time, by the Issuer, and the Hedge Agreements may be amended, modified, or terminated in accordance with the Hedge Agreements if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the reduction, increase, amendment, modification, or termination, as the case may be.

(j) Each Hedge Agreement may be terminated pursuant to its terms upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes or an acceleration of maturity of the Notes after an Event of Default. The Hedge Agreement will not be permitted to be terminated as the result of a Default or Event of Default unless any acceleration of maturity of the Notes resulting from the Event of Default is no longer permitted to be rescinded pursuant to this Indenture.

(k) Except for Hedge Agreements entered into on or before the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have set our hands as of the day and year first written above.

EXECUTED AS A DEED BY

**JASPER CLO LTD.,**  
AS ISSUER

By: 

Name: **Vijayabalan Murugesu**  
Title: **Director**

**JASPER CLO CORP.,**  
AS CO-ISSUER

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

Name: Donald J. Puglisi  
Title: President

**JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL  
ASSOCIATION,**  
AS TRUSTEE AND AS CUSTODIAN

By: 

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: **SHELLY A. STERLING**  
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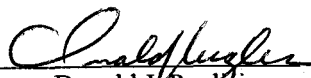
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Schedule 1

**List of Collateral Obligations**

Schedule 2

**Moody's Industry Classification Group List**

**Aerospace and Defense:** Major Contractor, Subsystems, Research, Aircraft Manufacturing, Arms, Ammunition

**Automobile:** Automotive Equipment, Auto-Manufacturing, Auto Parts Manufacturing, Personal Use Trailers, Motor Homes, Dealers

**Banking:** Bank Holding, Savings and Loans, Consumer Credit, Small Loan, Agency, Factoring, Receivables

**Beverage, Food and Tobacco:** Beer and Ale, Distillers, Wines and Liquors, Distributors, Soft Drink Syrup, Bottling, Bakery, Mill Sugar, Canned Foods, Corn Refiners, Dairy Products, Meat Products, Poultry Products, Snacks, Packaged Foods, Distributors, Candy, Gum, Seafood, Frozen Food, Cigarettes, Cigars, Leaf/Snuff, Vegetable Oil

**Buildings and Real Estate:** Brick, Cement, Climate Controls, Contracting, Engineering, Construction, Hardware, Forest Products (building-related only), Plumbing, Roofing, Wallboard, Real Estate, Real Estate Development, REITs, Land Development

**Chemicals, Plastics and Rubber:** Chemicals (non-agriculture), Industrial Gases, Sulfur, Plastics, Plastic Products, Abrasives, Coatings, Paints, Varnish, Fabricating

**Containers, Packaging and Glass:** Glass, Fiberglass, Containers made of: Glass, Metal, Paper, Plastic, Wood or Fiberglass

**Personal and Non Durable Consumer Products (Manufacturing Only):** Soaps, Perfumes, Cosmetics, Toiletries, Cleaning Supplies, School Supplies

**Diversified/Conglomerate Manufacturing**

**Diversified/Conglomerate Service**

**Diversified Natural Resources, Precious Metals and Minerals:** Fabricating, Distribution, Mining and Sales

**Ecological:** Pollution Control, Waste Removal, Waste Treatment, Waste Disposal

**Electronics:** Computer Hardware, Electric Equipment, Components, Controllers, Motors, Household Appliances, Information Service, Communication Systems, Radios, TVs, Tape Machines, Speakers, Printers, Drivers, Technology

**Finance:** Investment Brokerage, Leasing, Syndication, Securities

**Farming and Agriculture:** Livestock, Grains, Produce, Agricultural Chemicals, Agricultural Equipment, Fertilizers

**Grocery:** Grocery Stores, Convenience Food Stores

**Healthcare, Education and Childcare:** Ethical Drugs, Proprietary Drugs, Research, Health Care Centers, Nursing Homes, HMOs, Hospitals, Hospital Supplies, Medical Equipment



**Home and Office Furnishings, Housedress, and Durable Consumer Products:** Carpets, Floor Coverings, Furniture, Cooking, Ranges

**Hotels, Motels, Inns and Gaming**

**Insurance:** Life, Property and Casualty, Broker, Agent, Surety

**Leisure, Amusement, Entertainment:** Boating, Bowling, Billiards, Musical Instruments, Fishing, Photo Equipment, Records, Tapes, Sports, Outdoor Equipment (camping), Tourism, Resorts, Games, Toy Manufacturing, Motion Picture Production, Theatres, Motion Picture Distribution

**Machinery (Non-Agriculture, Non-Construction, Non-Electronic):** Industrial, Machine Tools, Steam Generators

**Mining, Steel, Iron and Non-Precious Metals:** Coal, Copper, Lead, Uranium, Zinc, Aluminum, Stainless Steel, Integrated Steel, Ore Production, Refractories, Steel Mill Machinery, Mini-Mills, Fabricating, Distribution and Sales

**Oil and Gas:** Crude Producer, Retailer, Well Supply, Service and Drilling

**Personal, Food and Miscellaneous**

**Printing and Publishing:** Graphic Arts, Paper, Paper Products, Business Forms, Magazines, Books, Periodicals, Newspapers, Textbooks

**Cargo Transport:** Rail, Shipping, Railroads, Rail-car Builders, Ship Builders, Containers, Container Builders, Parts, Overnight Mail, Trucking, Truck Manufacturing, Trailer Manufacturing, Air Cargo, Transport

**Retail Stores:** Apparel, Toy, Variety, Drugs, Department, Mail Order Catalogue, Showroom

**Structured Finance**

**Telecommunications:** Local, Long Distance, Independent, Telephone, Telegraph, Satellite, Equipment, Research, Cellular

**Textiles and Leather:** Producer, Synthetic Fiber, Apparel Manufacturer, Leather Shoes **Personal**

**Transportation:** Air, Bus, Rail, Car, Rental

**Utilities:** Electric, Water, Hydro Power, Gas, Diversified

**Broadcasting and Entertainment:** Recording Industry, Motion Exhibition Theatres, Motion Picture Production and Distribution, Radio, TV, Cable Broadcasting, Broadcasting Equipment

Schedule 3

**S&P Industry Classifications**

Corporate Obligations

0. Zero Default Risk
1. Aerospace & Defense
2. Air transport
3. Automotive
4. Beverage & Tobacco
5. Radio & Television
6. Brokerages, Dealers & Investment houses
7. Building & Development
8. Business equipment & services
9. Cable & satellite television
10. Chemical & plastics
11. Clothing/textiles
12. Conglomerates
13. Containers & glass products
14. Cosmetics/toiletries
15. Drugs
16. Ecological services & equipment
17. Electronics/electrical
18. Equipment leasing
19. Farming/agriculture
20. Financial Intermediaries
21. Food/drug retailers
22. Food products
23. Food service
24. Forest products
25. Health care
26. Home furnishings
27. Lodging & casinos
28. Industrial equipment
29. Insurance
30. Leisure goods/activities/movies
31. Nonferrous metals/minerals
32. Oil & gas
33. Publishing
34. Rail Industries
35. Retailers (except food & drug)
36. Steel
37. Surface transport
38. Telecommunications
39. Utilities

Corporate Structured Obligations

50. CDOs

Structured Obligations

51. ABS Consumer
52. ABS Commercial
53. CMBS Diversified (Conduit and CTL)
54. CMBS (Large Loan, Single Borrower, and Single Property)
55. REITs and REOCs
56. RMBS A
57. RMBS B&C, HELs, HELOCs, and Tax Lien
58. Manufactured Housing
59. U.S. Agency (Explicitly Guaranteed)
60. Monoline/FER Guaranteed
61. Non-FER Company Guaranteed
62. FFELP Student Loans (Over 70% FFELP)
63. CLO of SME's

Schedule 4

**Diversity Score Calculation**

The Diversity Score for the Collateral Obligations is calculated by summing each of the Industry Diversity Scores, which are calculated as follows:

(i) An "**Obligor Par Amount**" is calculated for each obligor represented in the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) by summing the par amounts of all Collateral Obligations in the Collateral (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) issued by that obligor or any Affiliate of that obligor (other than obligors that the Portfolio Manager reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(ii) An "**Average Par Amount**" is calculated by summing the Obligor Par Amounts and dividing by the number of obligors represented. For purposes of calculating the number of issuers of the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations), any issuers Affiliated with one another shall be considered one issuer (other than obligors that the Portfolio Manager reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(iii) An "**Equivalent Unit Score**" is calculated for each obligor represented in the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) by taking the lesser of (A) one and (B) the Obligor Par Amount for the obligor *divided* by the Average Par Amount. For purposes of calculating the Equivalent Unit Score, any issuers Affiliated with one another shall be considered one issuer (other than obligors that the Portfolio Manager reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(iv) An "**Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score**" is then calculated for each of the Moody's industrial classification groups by summing the Equivalent Unit Scores for each obligor in the industry.

(v) An "**Industry Diversity Score**" is then established by reference to the Diversity Score Table shown below for the related Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score. If any Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score falls between any two the scores then the applicable Industry Diversity Score shall be the lower of the two Industry Diversity Scores in the Diversity Score Table.

**DIVERSITY SCORE TABLE**

<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>
0.0000	0.0000	5.0500	2.7000	10.1500	4.0200	15.2500	4.5300
0.0500	0.1000	5.1500	2.7333	10.2500	4.0300	15.3500	4.5400
0.1500	0.2000	5.2500	2.7667	10.3500	4.0400	15.4500	4.5500
0.2500	0.3000	5.3500	2.8000	10.4500	4.0500	15.5500	4.5600
0.3500	0.4000	5.4500	2.8333	10.5500	4.0600	15.6500	4.5700
0.4500	0.5000	5.5500	2.8667	10.6500	4.0700	15.7500	4.5800
0.5500	0.6000	5.6500	2.9000	10.7500	4.0800	15.8500	4.5900
0.6500	0.7000	5.7500	2.9333	10.8500	4.0900	15.9500	4.6000
0.7500	0.8000	5.8500	2.9667	10.9500	4.1000	16.0500	4.6100
0.8500	0.9000	5.9500	3.0000	11.0500	4.1100	16.1500	4.6200
0.9500	1.0000	6.0500	3.0250	11.1500	4.1200	16.2500	4.6300
1.0500	1.0500	6.1500	3.0500	11.2500	4.1300	16.3500	4.6400
1.1500	1.1000	6.2500	3.0750	11.3500	4.1400	16.4500	4.6500
1.2500	1.1500	6.3500	3.1000	11.4500	4.1500	16.5500	4.6600
1.3500	1.2000	6.4500	3.1250	11.5500	4.1600	16.6500	4.6700
1.4500	1.2500	6.5500	3.1500	11.6500	4.1700	16.7500	4.6800
1.5500	1.3000	6.6500	3.1750	11.7500	4.1800	16.8500	4.6900
1.6500	1.3500	6.7500	3.2000	11.8500	4.1900	16.9500	4.7000
1.7500	1.4000	6.8500	3.2250	11.9500	4.2000	17.0500	4.7100
1.8500	1.4500	6.9500	3.2500	12.0500	4.2100	17.1500	4.7200
1.9500	1.5000	7.0500	3.2750	12.1500	4.2200	17.2500	4.7300
2.0500	1.5500	7.1500	3.3000	12.2500	4.2300	17.3500	4.7400
2.1500	1.6000	7.2500	3.3250	12.3500	4.2400	17.4500	4.7500
2.2500	1.6500	7.3500	3.3500	12.4500	4.2500	17.5500	4.7600
2.3500	1.7000	7.4500	3.3750	12.5500	4.2600	17.6500	4.7700
2.4500	1.7500	7.5500	3.4000	12.6500	4.2700	17.7500	4.7800
2.5500	1.8000	7.6500	3.4250	12.7500	4.2800	17.8500	4.7900
2.6500	1.8500	7.7500	3.4500	12.8500	4.2900	17.9500	4.8000
2.7500	1.9000	7.8500	3.4750	12.9500	4.3000	18.0500	4.8100
2.8500	1.9500	7.9500	3.5000	13.0500	4.3100	18.1500	4.8200
2.9500	2.0000	8.0500	3.5250	13.1500	4.3200	18.2500	4.8300
3.0500	2.0333	8.1500	3.5500	13.2500	4.3300	18.3500	4.8400
3.1500	2.0667	8.2500	3.5750	13.3500	4.3400	18.4500	4.8500
3.2500	2.1000	8.3500	3.6000	13.4500	4.3500	18.5500	4.8600
3.3500	2.1333	8.4500	3.6250	13.5500	4.3600	18.6500	4.8700
3.4500	2.1667	8.5500	3.6500	13.6500	4.3700	18.7500	4.8800

<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>
3.5500	2.2000	8.6500	3.6750	13.7500	4.3800	18.8500	4.8900
3.6500	2.2333	8.7500	3.7000	13.8500	4.3900	18.9500	4.9000
3.7500	2.2667	8.8500	3.7250	13.9500	4.4000	19.0500	4.9100
3.8500	2.3000	8.9500	3.7500	14.0500	4.4100	19.1500	4.9200
3.9500	2.3333	9.0500	3.7750	14.1500	4.4200	19.2500	4.9300
4.0500	2.3667	9.1500	3.8000	14.2500	4.4300	19.3500	4.9400
4.1500	2.4000	9.2500	3.8250	14.3500	4.4400	19.4500	4.9500
4.2500	2.4333	9.3500	3.8500	14.4500	4.4500	19.5500	4.9600
4.3500	2.4667	9.4500	3.8750	14.5500	4.4600	19.6500	4.9700
4.4500	2.5000	9.5500	3.9000	14.6500	4.4700	19.7500	4.9800
4.5500	2.5333	9.6500	3.9250	14.7500	4.4800	19.8500	4.9900
4.6500	2.5667	9.7500	3.9500	14.8500	4.4900	19.9500	5.0000
4.7500	2.6000	9.8500	3.9750	14.9500	4.5000		
4.8500	2.6333	9.9500	4.0000	15.0500	4.5100		
4.9500	2.6667	10.0500	4.0100	15.1500	4.5200		

Schedule 5**Moody's Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates**

The Moody's Recovery Rate for a Structured Finance Obligation will be the applicable rate set forth below based on the appropriate sector as categorized by Moody's:

**Diversified Securities** primarily include (1) Automobile Securities; (2) Car Rental Receivable Securities; (3) Credit Card Securities; (4) Student Loan Securities

**Residential Securities** primarily include (1) Home Equity Loan Securities; (2) Manufactured Housing Securities; (3) Residential A Mortgage Securities; (4) Residential B/C Mortgage Securities

**Undiversified Securities** primarily include (1) CMBS Conduit; (2) CMBS Credit Tenant Lease; (3) CMBS Large Loan; (4) those ABS Sectors not included in Diversified Securities

**Collateralized Debt Obligations** include (1) High-diversity CDOs (Diversity Score in excess of 20); (2) Low-Diversity CDOs (Diversity Score of 20 or less)

**Diversified Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	Ba	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	70%	60%	50%	40%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	60%	50%	40%	30%
<=10%	70%	65%	55%	45%	35%	25%

**Residential Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	Ba	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10% >5%	65%	55%	45%	40%	30%	20%
<=5%	55%	45%	40%	35%	25%	15%

>2%						
<=2%	45%	35%	30%	25%	15%	10%

### **Undiversified Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10% >5%	65%	55%	45%	35%	25%	15%
<=5% >2%	55%	45%	35%	30%	20%	10%
<=2%	45%	35%	25%	20%	10%	5%

### **High Diversity Collateralized Debt Obligations**

	<u>Initial Rating of Underlying Asset</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	60%	50%	40%	25%
<=10% >5%	65%	55%	50%	40%	30%	20%
<=5% >2%	55%	45%	40%	35%	25%	10%
<=2%	45%	35%	30%	25%	10%	5%

### **Low Diversity Collateralized Debt Obligations**



	<u>Initial Rating of Underlying Asset</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	80%	75%	60%	50%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	70%	60%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10% >5%	60%	50%	45%	35%	25%	15%
<=5% >2%	50%	40%	35%	30%	20%	10%
<=2%	30%	25%	20%	15%	7%	4%

(1) Initial par amount of tranche to which Structured Finance Obligation relates **divided by** initial par amount of total securities issued by Structured Finance Obligation issuer.

Schedule 6**S&P Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates\***

The S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate for a Structured Finance Obligation will be the applicable rate set forth below based on the appropriate asset class and liability rating as categorized by S&P:

Senior Asset Class

	<u>Liability rating</u>						
	<u>AAA</u>	<u>AA</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>BBB</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>CCC</u>
AAA	80.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
AA	70.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
A	60.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
BBB	50.0%	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%

Junior Asset Class

	<u>Liability rating</u>						
	<u>AAA</u>	<u>AA</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>BBB</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>CCC</u>
AAA	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
AA	40.0%	45.0%	55.0%	65.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
A	30.0%	35.0%	40.0%	45.0%	50.0%	60.0%	70.0%
BBB	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	25.0%	35.0%	40.0%	50.0%
B	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%	10.0%	10.0%	20.0%	25.0%
CCC	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%

- \* This table shall not apply to project finance, future flows, synthetics, CDO repacks of ABS or CDOs, guaranteed ABS, distressed debt CDOs, synthetic CDOs, or emerging market CDOs. Recovery rates for such Structured Finance Obligations will be assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis.

Schedule 7

**Certain Defined Terms Relating to S&P Rating and Moody's Rating**

**"Assigned Moody's Rating"**: The monitored publicly available rating or the monitored estimated rating expressly assigned to a debt obligation (or facility) by Moody's that addresses the full amount of the principal and interest promised.

**"Moody's Default Probability Rating"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (a) with respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:
  - (i) if the Loan's obligor has a senior implied rating from Moody's, such senior implied rating; and
  - (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Obligation Rating of such Loan;
  - (iii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, the rating that is one subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating;
- (b) with respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating of such Collateral Obligation;
- (c) with respect to a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the rating that is one rating subcategory below the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof;
- (d) with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof (or, if the obligation does not have an Assigned Moody's Rating but has a rating by S&P, the rating that is the number of rating subcategories specified by Moody's below such S&P rating); and
- (e) with respect to a Synthetic Security, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

**"Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation that is a Loan or bond and the obligor thereof, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (a) if the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating;
- (b) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's "Issuer Rating" for the obligor;
- (c) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, then

- (i) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "B3" (and, if rated "B3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one rating subcategory higher than such Assigned Moody's Rating, or
- (ii) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "B3" (or rated "B3" and on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be such Assigned Moody's Rating;
- (d) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, then:
  - (i) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "Caa3" (and, if rated "Caa3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one subcategory below such Assigned Moody's Rating, or
  - (ii) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "Caa3" (or rated "Caa3" and on watch for downgrade), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be "C";
- (e) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but such obligor has a senior implied rating from Moody's, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be one rating subcategory below such senior implied rating;
- (f) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be:
  - (i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher,
  - (ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; or
  - (iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating no lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (f)(iii), or clauses (g)(iii) or (h)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;
- (g) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:
  - (i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (c) above; or

(iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (g)(iii), or clauses (f)(iii) or (h)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(h) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (d) above; or

(iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (h)(iii), or clauses (f)(iii) or (g)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(i) if the preceding clauses do not apply and each of the following clauses (i) through (viii) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa1":

(i) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings,

(ii) no debt securities or obligations of the obligor are in default,

(iii) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates has defaulted on any debt during the preceding two years,

(iv) the obligor has been in existence for the preceding five years,

(v) the obligor is current on any cumulative dividends,

(vi) the fixed-charge ratio for the obligor exceeds 125% for each of the preceding two fiscal years and for the most recent quarter,

(vii) the obligor had a net profit before tax in the past fiscal year and the most recent quarter, and

(viii) the annual financial statements of such obligor are unqualified and certified by a firm of Independent accountants of international reputation, and quarterly statements are unaudited but signed by a corporate officer;

(j) if the preceding clauses do not apply but each of the following clauses (i) and (ii) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa3":

(i) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings; and

(ii) no debt security or obligation of such obligor has been in default during the past two years; and

(k) if the preceding clauses do not apply and a debt security or obligation of the obligor has been in default during the past two years, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Ca."

Notwithstanding the foregoing, not more than 10% of the Maximum Investment Amount may consist of Investment Obligations given a Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating based on a rating given by S&P as provided in clauses (f), (g) and (h) above.

**"Moody's Obligation Rating"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

(a) With respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:

(i) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the rating that is one rating subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and

(b) With respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond:

(i) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and

(c) With respect to a Synthetic Security or a DIP Loan, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Obligation Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

**"Moody's Rating"**: The Moody's Default Probability Rating; provided that, with respect to the Collateral Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or any successor to it ceases to provide rating services, references to rating categories of Moody's in this Indenture shall be deemed instead

to be references to the equivalent categories of any other nationally recognized investment rating agency selected by the Portfolio Manager, as of the most recent date on which such other rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which such alternative rating agency is used.

**"S&P Rating"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following methodology:

(i) If there is an issuer credit rating of the borrower of the Collateral Obligation (the "**Borrower**"), or the guarantor who unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the Collateral Obligation (the "**Guarantor**") by S&P, the most current issuer credit rating for such Borrower or Guarantor (provided, that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating);

(ii) (a) if there is not an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation will be one subcategory below such rating; (b) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior unsecured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be such rating; and (c) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a subordinated obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be two subcategories above such rating if such rating is "BBB-" or higher and will be one subcategory above such rating if such rating is "BB+" or lower (provided, that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating); or

(iii) if there is neither an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P nor a rating by S&P on an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating may be determined using any one of the methods below:

(A) if an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is publicly rated by Moody's, then the S&P Rating will be determined in accordance with the methodologies for establishing the Moody's Default Probability Rating, except that the S&P Rating of such obligation will be (1) one subcategory below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Baa3" or higher by Moody's and (2) two subcategories below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Ba1" or lower by Moody's; provided that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount may be given a S&P Rating based on a rating given by Moody's as provided in this subclause (a) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

(B) if no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's, then the Portfolio Manager may apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating estimate, which will be its S&P Rating; or

(C) if such Collateral Obligation is not rated by Moody's or S&P, no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's and if the Portfolio Manager determines in its sole discretion based on

information available to it after reasonable inquiry that such Borrower (x) is not subject to any bankruptcy or reorganization proceedings nor in default on any of its obligations (unless the subject of a good faith business dispute), (y) is a legally constituted corporate entity having the minimum legal, financial and operational infrastructure to carry on a definable business, deliver and sell a product or service and report its results in generally accepted accounting terms as verified by a reputable audit firm and (z) is not so vulnerable to adverse business, financial and economic conditions that default in its financial or other obligations is foreseeable in the near term if current operating trends continue, then the S&P Rating will be "CCC-"; provided that the Portfolio Manager must apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating on such Borrower within 30 days after the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation; provided, further, that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount may be given an S&P Rating based on this subclause (c) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

provided that if (i) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any positive "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be increased by one rating subcategory or (ii) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any negative "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be decreased by one rating subcategory.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the S&P Rating shall be (A) the rating assigned thereto by S&P if the rating is public, (B) the rating assigned by S&P if the rating is confidential, but only if all appropriate parties have provided written consent to its disclosure and use, (C) the rating assigned by S&P thereto through an estimated rating or (D) the rating assigned thereto by S&P in connection with the acquisition thereof upon the request of the Portfolio Manager. In the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a PIK Security, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Securities, the S&P Rating may not be determined pursuant to clause (iii)(A) above.

S&P Ratings for entities or obligations relevant hereunder other than Borrowers and Collateral Obligations shall be determined in a corresponding manner.



Exhibit A

**Form of Notes**

Exhibit B-1

**Form of Note Transferee Certificate**

Exhibit B-2

**Form of Note Transferor Certificate for Regulation S to Rule 144A Transfer**

Exhibit B-3

**Form of Note Transferor Certificate for Rule 144A to Regulation S Transfer**

Exhibit C

**Form of Latham & Watkins LLP Opinion**

Exhibit D

**Form of Ogier & Boxalls Opinion**

Exhibit E

**Form of Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP Opinion**

Exhibit F

**Form of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP Opinion**



Exhibit G

**Form of Securities Account Control Agreement**

Exhibit H

**Forms of Section 3(c)(7) Notices**

Exhibit H-1

**Form of Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice**

Exhibit H-2

**Form of Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice**

Exhibit I

**Form of Beneficial Owner Certificate**

Exhibit J

**Form of Extension Notice**

## **EXHIBIT II**

## PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENCY AGREEMENT

As of June 29, 2005

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as  
Preference Shares Paying Agent  
Worldwide Securities Services  
Jasper CLO Ltd.  
600 Travis Street, 50th Floor  
Houston, Texas 77002

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Jasper CLO Ltd., a company existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the “**Issuer**”), has resolved to appoint JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association (“**JPMCB**”), as Preference Shares Paying Agent (the “**Preference Shares Paying Agent**”) for the Issuer’s Preference Shares (the “**Preference Shares**”). We hereby appoint JPMCB as such under the terms set forth below and confirm JPMCB’s agreement to hold any funds to be paid to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Priority of Payments set forth in the Indenture (as defined herein) in a segregated account described below. Reference is also made to the indenture, dated as of June 29, 2005, among the Issuer, Jasper CLO Corp., as Co-issuer (the “**Co-Issuer**”), and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as trustee (the “**Indenture**”). Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings assigned thereto in the Indenture or, if not defined therein, certain resolutions passed at a meeting of the Issuer’s Board of Directors that was held on June 28, 2005, as reflected in the minutes thereof, including Annex A (“**Annex A**”) therein (the “**Resolutions**”). The Preference Shares will be issued, and may be exchanged or transferred, subject to the procedures set forth in Annex A to the Resolutions.

Except as otherwise specified herein or as the context may otherwise require or dictate or unless the Composite Securities are explicitly addressed in the same context, (A) all references in this Agreement to the “Preference Shares” include the “Preference Share Components” of the Class 1 Composite Securities and Class 2 Composite Securities and (B) all references in this Agreement to the rights of the Holders of the Preference Shares (including with respect to any payments, distributions, redemptions, votes or consents to be given by such Holders) include the rights of the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities and the Holders of the Class 2 Composite Securities to the extent of the Preference Share Components of the Class 1 Composite Securities and the Class 2 Composite Securities, as applicable.

Section 1. Notice of Distribution to Directors. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, promptly after receipt of the Valuation Report, shall forward to the Directors the Valuation Report which identifies the Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds, payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares on the applicable Payment Date.

Section 2. Payments of Dividends and Other Distributions, Amounts Not Distributable. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, subject to paragraphs (b) and (c) below, pay or cause to be paid, on behalf of the Issuer on such Payment Date, the Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds received from the Trustee to the Holders of the Preference Shares as a distribution on such Payment Date. Distributions of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to the Holders of Preference Shares shall be paid *pro rata* in the proportion that the number of Preference Shares held by each such Holder bears to the total number of Preference Shares. The Issuer, or the Share Registrar on its behalf, shall provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with a copy of the Preference Share register on the



Closing Date and thereafter, the Share Registrar shall promptly notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent of any changes to the Preference Share register. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall notify the Issuer and the Share Registrar of any transfers of Preference Shares.

(b) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, distributions of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds by way of dividend to the Holders of Preference Shares on any Payment Date out of amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account shall (i) be subject to the Issuer being solvent under Cayman Islands law (defined as the Issuer being able to pay its debts as they become due in the ordinary course of business) immediately prior to, and after giving effect to, such payment as determined by the Issuer and (ii) be made only to the extent that the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium out of which to make such payment as determined by the Issuer. If the Issuer determines that the conditions set forth in either clause (i) or (ii) above are not satisfied with respect to any portion of Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds payable on such Payment Date, the Issuer shall instruct the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing no later than one Business Day prior to such Payment Date that such portion of Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds, as applicable, should not be paid, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not pay the same, to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the first succeeding Payment Date, or (in the case of any payments which would otherwise be payable on the Redemption Date or any Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) until the first succeeding Business Day, upon which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing that each such condition is satisfied, at which time the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall distribute such amounts. To the extent available, distributions shall be made first out of distributable profits for the current Due Period, then out of distributable profits in excess of dividends for prior Due Periods and then out of share premium.

(c) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, distributions of the Redemption Price by way of redemption of the Preference Shares shall be subject to the Issuer being solvent under Cayman Islands law (defined as the Issuer being able to pay its debts as they become due in the ordinary course of business) immediately prior to, and after giving effect to, such distribution as determined by the Issuer. For purposes of this subsection (c), a determination as to whether the Issuer is solvent on the Redemption Date shall be made by the Issuer (A) after giving effect to any payments to be made on such Redemption Date and (B) in light of the fact that the obligations of the Issuer to the Holders of the Securities, the other Secured Parties and the other Persons subject to the Priority of Payments are limited in recourse to the Collateral, and not to amounts (i) in the Preference Shares Distribution Account, (ii) any other amounts released from the Collateral in accordance with the Indenture and held by or on behalf of the Issuer for the benefit of the Holders of the Preference Shares or (iii) amounts on deposit in the Issuer's bank account in the Cayman Islands, and that after the assets in the Collateral are exhausted, such parties will have no further claim against the Issuer. If the Issuer determines that such condition is not satisfied on a Redemption Date with respect to any portion of the Redemption Price, the Issuer shall instruct the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing no later than one Business Day prior to such Redemption Date that such portion should not be distributed, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not distribute the same, to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the first succeeding Business Day upon which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing that such condition is satisfied, and the amounts so retained in the Preference Shares Distribution Account will be held therein until such amounts are paid.

Section 3. Payments and Redemption. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall make payments or distributions to each registered Holder on the relevant Record Date (as set out in Annex A to the Resolutions) by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a U.S. Dollar account maintained by the Holder as notified to the Preference Shares Paying Agent or, in the absence of such notification, by U.S. Dollar check mailed to the Holder at its address of record. The Issuer will, or will procure that the Share Registrar will, provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with all relevant

information regarding the registered Holders of the Preference Shares as the Preference Shares Paying Agent may reasonably require to the extent such information is in possession or control of the Issuer or Share Registrar.

(b) The Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be obligated to pay any additional amounts to Holders or beneficial owners of the Preference Shares as a result of any withholding or deduction for, or on account of, any present or future taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges. As a condition to payment of any amount, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, may require certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments or distributions in respect of Preference Shares under any present or future law or regulation of the United States or any present or future law or regulation of any political subdivision thereof or taxing authority therein or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under such law or regulation. Amounts properly withheld under the Code by any Person from a payment or distribution to a Holder of Preference Shares shall be considered as having been paid by the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent to such Holder for all purposes herein. The Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereby provide notice to each Holder or beneficial owner of the Preference Shares that the failure to provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with appropriate tax certifications will result in amounts being withheld from payments to such Holders or beneficial owners of the Preference Shares under this Agreement (provided that amounts withheld pursuant to applicable tax laws shall be considered as having been paid by the Issuer as provided herein).

(c) The Issuer, the Share Registrar and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem and treat the Holder of any Preference Shares as the absolute owner of such Preference Shares, notwithstanding any notation of ownership or other writing on any certificate representing such Preference Shares, for the purpose of paying dividends and other distributions thereon, and for all other purposes, and neither the Issuer nor the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be affected by any notice to the contrary. All such payments so made to such Holder or upon such Holder's order shall be valid and, to the extent of the sum or sums so paid, effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability for the monies payable upon any such Preference Share.

(d) All payments by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder shall be made without charging any commission or fee to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

(e) On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Issuer shall redeem the Preference Shares for a redemption price equal to all amounts distributable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Priority of Payments set forth in the Indenture, unless the Preference Shares have been redeemed earlier through an optional redemption or otherwise. Upon final payment due on the Preference Shares (whether on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date or any earlier Redemption Date), the Holder thereof shall present and surrender the certificates, if any, representing the Preference Shares at the office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent on or prior to such final payment date. On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, all payments on redemption of Preference Shares to the Holders of the Preference Shares shall be made *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings.

Notice of final payment of the Preference Shares pursuant to an optional redemption in conjunction with an optional redemption of the Notes shall be given as set forth in Section 9.3 of the Indenture. Notice of any other final payment shall be given by the Preference Shares Paying Agent by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days nor earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date to each Holder of Preference Shares at such Holder's address as set forth in the Preference Share register.

All notices of redemption shall state:

- (i) the Redemption Date on which the Preference Shares are to be redeemed;
- (ii) the applicable Redemption Price for the Preference Shares being redeemed;
- (iii) the place or places where such Preference Shares to be redeemed are to be surrendered for payment of the applicable Redemption Price, which shall be the office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent; and
- (iv) in the case of an optional redemption, the latest possible date upon which such notice of redemption may be withdrawn.

The Issuer shall have the option to withdraw any such notice of redemption up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) in each case only if either (i) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) of the Indenture, the Portfolio Manager does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications required under the Indenture (as described in Section 9.3(c) and 12.1(f) of the Indenture), as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, (ii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i) of the Indenture, the Issuer receives the written direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption and (iii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii) of the Indenture, the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer thereby agrees for the benefit of the directing person to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (ii) or this clause (iii)). Notice of any such withdrawal shall be delivered pursuant to Section 9.3 of the Indenture.

Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Preference Shares.

(f) On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, so long as all administrative and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture and all amounts owing under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged:

- (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings; or
- (ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, voting as a single Class or group, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the

Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such direction.

(g) If any Holder of Preference Shares desires to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Notes in accordance with Article 9 of the Indenture, such Holder shall notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Portfolio Manager not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made. If the Holders of at least a Super Majority of the Preference Shares direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Notes, the Issuer shall effect an Optional Redemption of the Notes pursuant to the procedures described in the Indenture.

(h) If any Holder of Preference Shares desires to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares after the redemption or repayment of the Notes and in accordance with Section (f)(i) and (ii) above, such Holder shall notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent not later than 30 (or with the Portfolio Manager's consent, not later than 10 Business Days prior to the proposed Redemption Date (which must be a Payment Date). Each Holder of Preference Shares that also wishes to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares must so notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent (who shall promptly notify the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager of such direction) within 10 Business Days after receipt of such notice. If the aggregate number of Preference Shares that have directed the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares equals or exceeds the minimum threshold set forth in Section (f)(i) and (ii) above, the Issuer shall effect an optional redemption of the Preference Shares pursuant to the procedures described in the Preference Share Documents and this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Preference Shares must be redeemed on or prior to the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. The Preference Shares shall be redeemed from the proceeds of any Collateral remaining after giving effect to the redemption or repayment of the Notes and payment in full of all expenses of the Co-Issuers.

Section 4. Preference Shares Distribution Account. (a) On or prior to the Closing Date, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the "Preference Shares Distribution Account" (the "**Preference Shares Distribution Account**") that shall be held in trust in the name of the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the benefit of the Issuer, over which the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall cause the Trustee to make any payment pursuant to the Priority of Payments by wire transfer (or by internal transfer if the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent are the same Person) to the Preference Shares Distribution Account in immediately available funds. All sums received by the Preference Shares Paying Agent from the Trustee or the Issuer for payment of dividends or other distributions or the Redemption Price in respect of the Preference Shares shall be deposited promptly in the Preference Shares Distribution Account until the first Payment Date or, in the case of the payment of the Redemption Price in respect of the Preference Shares, the first Business Day, on which, in either case, the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent that such distribution can be made to the Holders of the Preference Shares in accordance with Section 2. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall then apply such funds as provided for in Section 3. All sums payable by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder shall be paid out of the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

(b) Notwithstanding anything herein, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not incur any personal liability to pay amounts due to Holders of the Preference Shares and shall only be required to make payments or other distributions (including the Redemption Price thereof) if there are sufficient monies in the Preference Shares Distribution Account to make such payments or other distributions.

(c) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no right of set off with respect to amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

(d) Amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account that are not paid out may be invested in an interest-bearing account as directed in writing by the Issuer.

Section 5. Unclaimed Payments. Except as otherwise required by applicable law, any money deposited with the Preference Shares Paying Agent and held in the Preference Shares Distribution Account or otherwise held for payment on any Preference Share and remaining unclaimed for two years after such payment has become due and payable shall be paid to the Issuer on Issuer Request; and the Holder of such Preference Share shall thereafter look only to the Issuer for payment of such amounts and all liability of the Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such money (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Issuer) shall thereupon cease. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, before being required to make any such release of payment, may, but shall not be required to, adopt and employ, at the expense of the Issuer any reasonable means of notification of such release of payment, including, but not limited to, arranging with the Share Registrar for the Share Registrar to mail notice of such release to Holders of Preference Shares whose right to or interest in monies due and payable but not claimed is determinable from the records of the Issuer or Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, at the last address of record of each such Holder.

Section 6. Purchase of Preference Shares. (a) Each Holder or beneficial owner of a Preference Share, by its ownership of such Preference Share, acknowledges and agrees that such Holder or beneficial owner of a Preference Share will be required to sell its beneficial interest in such Preference Share in the following circumstances:

(i) any Non-Consenting Holder of Preference Shares with respect to an amendment of the Indenture (which includes Holders that fail to respond to a consent solicitation with the applicable period) will be forced to sell its applicable Preference Shares pursuant to Section 9.6 of the Indenture, whereby the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser is permitted to purchase the beneficial interest in the Preference Shares held by any such Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; or

(ii) any Holder of a Directing Preference Share with respect to the removal of the Portfolio Manager without cause will be forced to sell its applicable Preference Shares pursuant to Section 12(c) of the Management Agreement, whereby the Portfolio Manager is permitted to purchase the beneficial interest in all Directing Preference Shares held by any such Holder thereof at the applicable Buy-Out Amount; and

(b) Each Holder or beneficial owner of a Preference Share will have the right to sell its beneficial interest in such Preference Share to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser upon a Maturity Extension pursuant to Section 2.4 of the Indenture at the applicable Extension Purchase Price.

Section 7. Execution, Delivery and Dating. The certificates (if required by the Resolutions) relating to the Preference Shares shall be executed on behalf of the Issuer as provided for in the Articles.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Agreement, the Issuer may deliver Preference Share certificates (the “**Preference Share Certificates**”) executed by the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, upon Issuer Order, shall deliver such Preference Share Certificates as provided in this Agreement and not otherwise.

Each Preference Share Certificate delivered by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to or upon Issuer Order on the Closing Date shall be dated the Closing Date. All other Preference Share Certificates that are delivered after the Closing Date for any other purpose under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement shall be dated the date of their delivery.

Section 8. Registration, Registration of Transfer and Exchange. (a) When the Preference Shares Paying Agent receives a request for transfer or exchange of Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall comply with its obligations as set forth in Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions.

(b) No exchange or transfer of the Preference Shares shall be honored if such exchange or transfer will result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components of the Composite Securities) immediately after such exchange or transfer (excluding for purposes of such determination any Preference Shares (and Preference Share Components) held by any Controlling Person and its affiliates that is not also a Benefit Plan Investor) determined in accordance with the Plan Asset Regulation. Each purchaser or transferee of a Certified Preference Share or interest wherein and each purchaser of a Preference Share represented by a Regulation S Global Preference Share or interest therein acquired through the Placement Agents will be required to represent and agree whether or not such purchaser is, or is using the assets of, or will at any time throughout its holding and disposition of such Preference Share be or become, (i) an "employee benefit plan" as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA, whether or not subject to ERISA and including any foreign, church or governmental plan, (ii) a "plan" described in Section 4975(c)(1) of the Code or (iii) an entity that is deemed to hold assets of either of the foregoing by reason of a plan's investment in such entity. In addition, each purchaser or transferee of a Certified Preference Share or interest therein and each purchaser of a Preference Share represented by a Regulation S Global Preference Share or interest therein acquired through the Placement Agents will be required to represent and agree whether or not it is, or is using the assets of, or will at any time throughout its holding and disposition of such Preference Share be or become the Portfolio Manager or any other person that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer or any "affiliate" (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) or any such person (any such person, a "Controlling Person"). Furthermore, no exchange or transfer of an interest in a Regulation S Global Preference Shares will be honored if the transferee has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person. Each subsequent purchaser or transferee of a Regulation S Global Preference Share or interest therein not acquired directly from the Issuer or through the Placement Agents will be deemed to represent and agree that it is not, is not using the assets of, and throughout its holding and disposition of such Regulation S Global Preference Share will not be or become or transfer any interest therein to, a Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person. If, after a purchaser's or transferee's initial acquisition of Preference Shares, the purchaser or transferee determines, it is determined by another person, or the Preference Shares Paying Agent becomes aware that such purchaser or transferee has breached any of the foregoing representations, such purchaser or transferee will dispose of its interest in the Preference Shares in a manner consistent with the requirements set forth in Annex A to the Resolutions. Each purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share or interest therein will be required or deemed to represent that either (i) it is not, and is not acquiring such Preference Share with the assets of, an "employee benefit plan" as defined under Section 3(3) of ERISA and that is subject to Title I of ERISA, any "plan" described in Section 4975(e) of the Code or a foreign, governmental or church plan subject to any federal, state, local or foreign law that is substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (each such plan, a "Covered Plan") and throughout the holding of such Preference Share, it will not become or transfer its interest to any Covered Plan to an entity using the assets thereof, or (ii) the acquisition and holding of such Preference Share by the purchaser or transferee, throughout its holding and disposition of such Preference Share, will not result in a non-exempt

prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a foreign, governmental or church plan, any similar law), because such purchase, holding and disposition either (x) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (y) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all of the conditions of which are and will be satisfied upon its acquisition of, and throughout its holding and disposition of, such Preference Share. Each purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share will be required or deemed to represent and agree that it will not transfer such Preference Share or interest therein in violation of any of the foregoing representations and agreements, that any purported transfer that does not comply with such representations and agreements will be null and void *ab initio* and will vest in the transferee no rights against the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Issuer, and that such purchaser or transferee, as applicable, and any fiduciary or other Person causing it to acquire such Preference Share shall, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Share Paying Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agents and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of any transfer in violation of any of the foregoing.

(c) Notwithstanding anything else contained herein to the contrary, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be responsible for ascertaining whether any purchase or transfer complies with, including but not limited to, the registration provisions of or exemptions from the Securities Act, applicable state laws, the Code, ERISA, the Plan Asset Regulation or the Investment Company Act; provided that if a certificate or other written representation is specifically required by the express terms of this Agreement or Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions to be delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by the purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine whether the same substantially conforms on its face with the terms of this Agreement or Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions, as applicable, and shall promptly notify the party delivering the same if such certificate does not comply with such terms.

(d) The Issuer shall (and shall cause the Share Registrar to) consult the Preference Shares Paying Agent in connection with all transfers of Preference Shares and shall (and shall cause the Share Registrar to) direct all transferors and transferees to correspond through the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Share Registrar shall not be required to determine whether any proposed exchange, transfer, redemption or other transaction in relation to the Preference Shares complies with any restrictions imposed by law or under the terms of the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents but shall be entitled to rely completely in that respect on the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

(e) In the event that the Preference Shares Paying Agent is notified by the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer) that any Holder of Preference Shares has failed to provide the Issuer with the applicable United States federal income tax certifications, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall notify the Share Registrar and request it to record such transfer. Except as expressly provided herein or as required by this Agreement in connection with the Preference Shares Paying Agent's obligations to the Holders of Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no obligation to oversee or participate in any such transfer of Preference Shares.

Section 9. Fees and Indemnification. The fee to be paid in connection with the Preference Shares Paying Agent's appointment and duties as Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be paid pursuant to a letter agreement dated March 10, 2005 between the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Issuer. The fees payable hereunder shall be paid by the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent's account as directed by the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Issuer will indemnify the Preference Shares Paying Agent and its officers, directors, employees and agents, against any loss, liability or expense (including reasonable legal fees and out-of-pocket expenses of counsel) incurred in connection with their appointment and duties hereunder, except such as result from their own gross

negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Preference Shares Paying Agent agrees that such fees and indemnification shall be treated as an Administrative Expense of the Issuer as defined in the Indenture and paid pursuant to the Priority of Payments. Anything in this Agreement notwithstanding, in no event shall the Preference Shares Paying Agent be liable for special, indirect or consequential losses or damages of any kind whatsoever (including but not limited to loss of profits), even if the Preference Shares Paying Agent has been advised of such loss or damage and regardless of the form of action. The obligation of the Issuer to indemnify the Preference Shares Paying Agent under this Section 9 shall survive retirement of the Preference Shares and any resignation or removal of the Preference Shares Paying Agent but shall remain subject to the provisions of Section 21.

Section 10. Liabilities. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be responsible or accountable to anyone for any reason whatsoever with respect to the validity of this Agreement or of the Preference Shares, or for any act done or omitted by it in good faith, or for anything whatsoever in connection with this Agreement, except for its own gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct in the performance of any duty to be performed by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder.

(b) The Preference Shares Paying Agent may consult as to legal matters with lawyers selected with due care by it, who may be employees of or regular independent counsel to the Issuer, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be protected from and shall incur no liability for action taken, or suffered to be taken, with respect to such matters in good faith and in accordance with the opinion or advice of such lawyers.

(c) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be protected from and shall incur no liability for or in respect of any action taken or thing suffered by it in reliance upon any Preference Shares, notice, direction, consent, certificate, affidavit, statement or other paper or document reasonably believed by it to be genuine and to have been delivered or signed by the proper parties, except as may result from its own gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct or that of its directors, officers, employees or agents.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be under any liability for interest on any money at any time received by it pursuant to any of the provisions of this Agreement, except as otherwise agreed in writing with the Issuer.

(e) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not incur any liability with respect to the validity or value of any of the Preference Shares unless otherwise specified herein.

Section 11. Conflicts. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent and its officers, directors and employees may become the holder of, or acquire any interest in, any Preference Shares, with the same rights that it or they would have if it were not the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder, or they were not such officers, directors, or employees, and may engage or be interested in any fiscal or other transaction with the Issuer and may act on, or as depository, trustee or agent for, any committee or body of holders of Preference Shares or other indebtedness of the Issuer as freely as if it were not the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder or they were not such officers, directors, or employees.

(b) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be obliged to perform such duties and only such duties as are specifically set forth herein, and no implied duties or obligations shall be read into this Agreement or the Indenture against the Preference Shares Paying Agent. Except for Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions (to the extent they do not contradict this Agreement), the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no duties under Annex A to the Resolutions. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be under any obligation to take any action hereunder that may tend to involve it in any



expenses or liability, the payment of which within a reasonable time is not, in its reasonable opinion, assured to it. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be accountable or under any duty or responsibility in case of any default of which the Preference Shares Paying Agent has knowledge by the Issuer in the performance of its obligations contained in the Articles and Annex A to the Resolutions (including, without limitation, any duty or responsibility to initiate or attempt to initiate any proceedings at law or otherwise or to make any demand for payment upon the Issuer).

(c) In acting under this Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agent is acting solely as agent of the Issuer and does not assume any obligations to, or relationship of agency or trust for or with any of the owners or Holders of the Preference Shares. All funds held by the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment on the Preference Shares shall be held in trust for the Issuer, until paid.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, as between itself and the Holders of the Preference Shares, with respect to all the obligations, powers, authorities and discretions, vested in it hereunder and under the Articles and the Resolutions, have absolute and uncontrolled discretion as to the exercise thereof whether in relation to the manner or as to the mode of and time for the exercise thereof and, in the absence of gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct on its part or that of its officers, directors or employees shall be in no way responsible for any loss, costs, damages or inconvenience that may result from the exercise or non-exercise thereof.

Section 12. Amendment. (a) This Agreement may be amended by the parties hereto, without the consent of the Holders of any Preference Shares, for the purpose of curing any ambiguity, or of curing, correcting or supplementing any defective provision contained herein, or in regard to matters or questions arising under this Agreement as the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem necessary or desirable and which shall not materially adversely affect the interests of Holders of the Preference Shares.

(b) Unless otherwise as set forth in subsection (a) above, this Agreement may be amended with the consent of Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares materially and adversely affected thereby.

(c) Any amendment to this Agreement must be in writing executed by each party hereto.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to its duties and obligations herein) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an opinion of counsel, consent or certificate of the Issuer in determining whether or not any proposed amendment is permitted hereunder.

Section 13. Resignation or Removal of the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Preference Shares Paying Agent may at any time resign as the Preference Shares Paying Agent, by giving written notice to the Issuer of its resignation, specifying the date on which its resignation shall become effective (which date shall not be less than 60 days after the date on which such notice is given unless the Issuer shall agree to a shorter period). The Issuer may remove the Preference Shares Paying Agent at any time by giving written notice of not less than 60 days to the Preference Shares Paying Agent specifying the date on which such removal shall become effective. Such resignation or removal shall only take effect upon the appointment by the Issuer of a successor Preference Shares Paying Agent and upon the acceptance of such appointment by such successor Preference Shares Paying Agent; provided, however, that if the successor Preference Shares Paying Agent has been appointed within 60 days after such notice of resignation or removal, then the Preference Shares Paying Agent, or any Holder of Preference Shares, may, on behalf of himself and others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Preference Shares Paying Agent; provided, further, that after the

retirement of the Notes, if the Issuer determines that no material distributions will be paid on the Preference Shares, the Issuer may remove the Preference Shares Paying Agent at any time, by giving written notice of not less than 10 days, and assume the duties of the Preference Shares Paying Agent itself.

Section 14. Assignment. No party hereto may assign or novate any of its rights or obligations hereunder except with the prior written consent of all the parties hereto.

Section 15. Reports and Notices. The Issuer hereby authorizes the Preference Shares Paying Agent to deliver or request the Trustee to deliver all Monthly Reports and Valuation Reports (each a “**Report**” and, collectively, “**Reports**”) prepared pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares and the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deliver, or shall cause the Trustee to deliver a copy of any such Report to such Holders within two Business Days of receipt of any such Report. In addition, the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deliver, or shall cause the Trustee to deliver, a copy of any other notice or information that it has received from the Trustee under the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares within two Business Days of receipt of such notice and information.

Section 16. Notices. (a) All communications by or on behalf of the Issuer relating to the transfer, exchange, or payment of a Preference Share or any interest therein shall be directed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent at its address set forth in clause (b)(ii) below.

Where this Agreement provides for notice to Holders of the Preference Shares of any event, such notice shall be sufficiently given (unless otherwise herein expressly provided) if such notice is in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, to each Holder of the Preference Shares affected by such event, at such Holder’s address as it appears on the Preference Share register, not later than the latest date, and not earlier than the earliest date, prescribed for the giving of such notice.

Neither the failure to mail such notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Holder of Preference Shares shall affect the sufficiency of such notice with respect to other Holders. Any notice that is given in the manner herein provided shall conclusively be presumed to have been duly given whether or not actually received by such Holder. Any notice to Holders of the Preference Shares provided for in this Agreement will be deemed to have been given on the date of mailing.

Where this Agreement provides for notice in any manner, such notice may be waived in writing by any Person entitled to receive such notice, either before or after the event, and such waiver shall be the equivalent of such notice.

In the event that, by reason of the suspension of the regular mail service as a result of a strike, work stoppage or similar activity, it shall be impractical to mail notice of any event to Holders of the Preference Shares when such notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this Agreement, then any manner of giving such notice as shall be satisfactory to the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be deemed to be a sufficient giving of such notice.

(b) Notices and other communications hereunder shall (except to the extent otherwise expressly provided) be in writing and shall be addressed as follows, or to such other addresses as the parties hereto shall specify from time to time:

(i) if to the Issuer:

Jasper CLO Ltd.  
P.O. Box 1234  
Queensgate House, South Church Street  
George Town, Grand Cayman  
Cayman Islands  
Fax: (345) 945-6265  
Attention: The Directors

(ii) if to the Preference Shares Paying Agent:

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association  
Worldwide Securities Services  
600 Travis Street, 50th Floor  
Houston, Texas 77002  
Fax: (713) 216-2101  
Attention: Worldwide Securities Services — Jasper CLO Ltd.

Section 17. Covenants of the Issuer. The Issuer shall not take any action under this Agreement or the Indenture that requires the authorization, direction or consent from the Holders of the Preference Shares without obtaining such authorization, direction or consent from the Holders of the Preference Shares. It shall be the responsibility of the Issuer to satisfy the Preference Shares Paying Agent as to the compliance with the foregoing condition (on which the Preference Shares Paying Agent may rely on in good faith).

Section 18. Transfer of Issuer Ordinary Shares. For so long as any of the Preference Shares are outstanding, the Issuer shall not agree to the transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares to U.S. Persons (as defined in the Code), and shall not transfer any such Issuer Ordinary Shares to any Person other than a Person which is a resident of the Cayman Islands.

Section 19. Certain Tax Matters. (a) On demand of the Issuer, a Holder or beneficial owner of a Preference Share will notify the Issuer whether or not the Holder or beneficial owner of such Preference Share is a United States person within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code and the name and status of such Holder or beneficial owner as an individual, partnership, corporation, or other entity and such other information as the Issuer shall reasonably request for purposes of tax reporting of the Issuer or other Holders of the Preference Shares.

(b) The Issuer will cause the Independent accountants to make a determination as to whether a Holder's investment in the Preference Shares has become a "reportable transaction" as described in Treasury Regulation Section 1.6011-4 because, after the Closing Date, the Issuer entered into a transaction having a book-tax difference or recognized a significant loss or otherwise. If the Holder's investment in the Preference Shares has become such a "reportable transaction", then the Issuer shall include with the PFIC Annual Information Statement, and provide to any other Holder of Preference Shares that makes a written request, any information available to it which may be reasonably necessary for such Holder of Preference Shares to comply with any disclosure requirements under Section 6011 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder with respect to its investment in the Preference Shares, provided, that the foregoing will not require the Issuer to keep a set of books in accordance with U.S. GAAP or other general accounting principles.

(c) The Issuer will cause its Independent accountants within 60 days after the end of each calendar year to provide to each Holder or beneficial owner of the Preference Shares (or its designee), upon written request therefor, all information that a U.S. shareholder making a "qualified

electing fund" election as defined in the Code, is required to obtain from the Issuer for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a "PFIC Annual Information Statement" as described in United States Treasury Regulation 1.1295-1(g)(1) (or any successor Internal Revenue Service release or Treasury Regulation) (including all representations and statements required by such statement (or protective election)), and the Issuer will take or cause to be taken any other reasonable steps to facilitate such election by a Holder or beneficial owner of the Preference Shares.

(d) The Issuer will provide or cause to be provided to each Holder or beneficial owner of the Preference Shares (or its designee), upon written request therefor, any information that such Holder or beneficial owner reasonably requests to assist such Holder or beneficial owner with regard to filing requirements the Holder or beneficial owner is required to satisfy as a result of the controlled foreign corporation rules under the Code.

(e) Each Holder and beneficial owner of the Preference Shares agree to treat the Preference Shares as equity of the Issuer for U.S. federal, state and local income tax purposes, if applicable.

Section 20. Minimum Lots. Preference Shares must be held in minimum lots of 100 Preference Shares per investor and integral multiples of 1 Preference Share in excess thereof.

Section 21. Limited Recourse; No Petition. The Preference Shares Paying Agent hereby acknowledges and agrees that the Issuer's obligations hereunder will be solely the corporate obligations of the Issuer, and that the Preference Shares Paying Agent will not have any recourse to any of the directors, officers, employees, shareholders or affiliates of the Issuer with respect to any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations in connection with any transactions contemplated hereby. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, recourse in respect of any obligations of the Issuer hereunder will be limited to the proceeds of the Collateral, paid pursuant to the Priority of Payments and on the exhaustion thereof all obligations of and all claims against the Issuer arising from this Agreement or any transactions contemplated hereby shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, by entering into this Agreement, hereby covenants and agrees that it will not, prior to the date which is one year and one day (or, if longer, the applicable preference period) after the payment in full of all amounts owing under the Indenture and this Agreement, institute against the Issuer, or voluntarily join in any institution against the Issuer of, any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency or liquidation proceedings, or other proceedings under any United States federal or state bankruptcy or similar law of any jurisdiction within or without the United States in connection with any obligations relating to the Preference Shares or this Agreement. The provisions of this Section 21 shall survive termination of this Agreement for any reason whatsoever.

Section 22. (a) GOVERNING LAW. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

(b) WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL. EACH OF THE ISSUER AND THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY AND ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, THE PREFERENCE SHARES OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY.

Section 23. Signatures. This Agreement may be signed in two or more counterparts with the same effect as if the signatures thereto and hereto were upon the same instrument. A facsimile

signature shall be considered due execution and shall be binding upon the signatory thereto with the same force and effect as if the signature were an original.

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Please indicate your acceptance of this appointment and the terms of this Agreement by signing and returning the enclosed copy of this Agreement. The Issuer by signing this Agreement confirms its agreement to the terms stated herein.

Very truly yours,

JASPER CLO LTD.

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

Name: **VIJAYABALAN MURUGESU**  
Title: **Director**

Accepted and agreed to on this 29<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2005.

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

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

Name

Title:

**SHELLY A. STERLING**  
**VICE PRESIDENT**

ANNEX A  
To the Minutes of the Resolutions of the Board of Directors of  
JASPER CLO LTD.

The Issuer may perform any of the functions set forth in this Annex A through the Preference Shares Paying Agent under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement or the Administrator in its capacity as Share Registrar under the Administration Agreement.

Section 1. Definitions.

Except as otherwise specified herein or as the context may otherwise require, the following terms have the respective meanings set forth below for all purposes of this Annex A, and the definitions of such terms are equally applicable both to the singular and plural forms of such terms and to the masculine, feminine and neuter genders of such terms. Capitalized terms used in this Annex A and not defined herein will have the meanings given to them in the Indenture, dated as of June 29, 2005, by and among Jasper CLO Ltd. (the “**Issuer**”), Jasper CLO Corp., as co-issuer and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as trustee.

Except as otherwise specified herein or as the context may otherwise require or dictate or unless the Composite Securities are explicitly addressed in the same context, (A) all references in this Annex A to the “Preference Shares” include the “Preference Share Components” of the Class 1 Composite Securities and the Class 2 Composite Securities and (B) all references in this Annex A to the rights of the Holders of the Preference Shares (including with respect to any payments, distributions, redemptions, votes or consents to be given by such Holders) include the rights of the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities and Holders of the Class 2 Composite Securities to the extent of the Preference Share Components of the Class 1 Composite Securities and the Class 2 Composite Securities.

**“Accredited Investor”:** Any Person that, at the time of its acquisition, purported acquisition or proposed acquisition of Preference Shares, is an accredited investor as defined in Rule 501(a) of Regulation D under the Securities Act.

**“Authorized Amount”:** 100 Preference Shares and integral multiples of 1.

**“Certificated Preference Shares”:** Preference Shares sold or transferred (i) to a person who is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer or an Accredited Investor and (b)(1) a Qualified Purchaser, (2) a Knowledgeable Employee or (3) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees, or (ii) in an Offshore Transaction to a non-U.S. Person pursuant to Regulation S and evidenced by a physical certificate in definitive, fully registered form in the form set forth in Exhibit A hereto.

**“Controlling Person”:** Any person that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer or any “affiliate” (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) of any such person.

**“Corporate Trust Office”:** The corporate trust office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent at which the Preference Shares Paying Agent performs its duties under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, currently having an address of 600 Travis Street, 50<sup>th</sup> Floor, Houston, Texas 77002, telecopy no. (713) 216-2101, Attention: Worldwide Securities Services—Jasper CLO Ltd. or any other address the Preference Shares Paying Agent designates from time to time by notice to the Noteholders, the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Issuer and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Preference Shares Paying Agent.

**“ERISA Plan”:** Any “employee benefit plan” (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of Title I of ERISA, any “plan” described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code subject to Section 4975 of the Code and any entity whose underlying assets include the assets of any such employee benefit plan and/or plan.

**“Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date”:** If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Payment Date in August, 2021); provided that the “Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in August, 2033.

**“Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor”:** The meaning specified in Section 10(b).

**“Non-Permitted U.S. Holder”:** The meaning specified in Section 10(a).

**“Offshore Transactions”:** The meaning specified in Section 2.

**“Plan Asset Regulation”:** The regulation issued by the United States Department of Labor and found at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101.

**“Record Date”:** The date on which Holders of Preference Shares entitled to receive dividends with respect to the next following Payment Date is determined, which date shall be the same Record Date as is set by the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture.

**“Regulation S Global Preference Share”:** One or more permanent global security certificates for the Preference Shares sold in reliance on exemption from registration under Regulation S in definitive, fully registered form in the form set forth in Exhibit A hereto.

**“Resolutions”:** The meaning specified in the minutes to which this Annex A is attached.

**“Responsible Officer”:** Any officer of the Share Registrar or within the Corporate Trust Office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent (or any successor group of the Preference Shares Paying Agent), as applicable, including any director, vice-president, assistant vice-president, associate or any other officer or assistant officer of the Share Registrar or the Preference Shares Paying Agent, respectively, customarily performing functions similar to those performed by the persons who at the time shall be such officers, respectively, or to whom any corporate trust matter is referred within the Share Registrar or the Corporate Trust Office, respectively, because



of his or her knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject and having direct responsibility for the administration of this Agreement.

**“Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date”:** The Payment Date in August, 2017 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date.

**“Shareholders” or “Holders”:** With respect to any Preference Shares, the Person in whose name such Preference Shares are registered in the Share Register.

**“Share Register”:** The meaning specified in Section 5(a).

**“Share Registrar”:** The meaning specified in Section 5(a).

**“Transferee Certificate”:** A certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B attached hereto, duly completed as appropriate.

Section 2. Form of Preference Shares.

Preference Shares shall be issued in the form of one or more Certificated Preference Shares or Regulation S Global Preference Shares as set forth in Exhibit A hereto; provided, however, that the Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Components of the Class 1 Composite Securities and Class 2 Composite Securities shall be issued solely in the form of Certificated Preference Shares or Regulation S Global Preference Shares.

Preference Shares may be offered, sold or delivered or resold in the United States or to, or for the benefit of, U.S. Persons, only to both (x) either (i) in the case of the initial offering and sale and resales, Accredited Investors who purchase such Preference Shares in transactions exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act or (ii) in the case of resales, Qualified Institutional Buyers who purchase such Preference Shares for their own account or for the account of Qualified Institutional Buyers in reliance on Rule 144A under the Securities Act and (y) either (i) Qualified Purchasers, (ii) Knowledgeable Employees or (iii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees. In addition, Preference Shares may be offered, sold or delivered in offshore transactions (**“Offshore Transactions”**) to non-U.S. Persons in reliance on Regulation S.

Section 3. Authorized Minimum Number of Preference Shares.

The Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Share Components) shall be issuable only in an Authorized Amount. The Share Registrar shall not register any sale or transfer of Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Share Components) if, after giving effect to such transfer, any transferee and any transferor that continues to hold Preference Shares would not hold less than an Authorized Amount of Preference Shares.

Section 4. Execution.

The certificates representing the Preference Shares shall be executed on behalf of the Issuer by one of the Authorized Officers of the Issuer. The signature of such Authorized Officers on the Preference Share certificates may be manual or facsimile.

Preference Share certificates bearing the manual or facsimile signatures of individuals who were at any time the Authorized Officers of the Issuer shall bind the Issuer, notwithstanding the fact that such individuals or any of them have ceased to hold such offices prior to the execution and delivery of such Preference Share certificates or did not hold such offices at the date of issuance of such Preference Share certificates.

Preference Share certificates issued upon transfer, exchange or replacement of other Preference Shares shall be issued in an Authorized Amount reflecting the original number of Preference Shares so transferred, exchanged or replaced.

No Holder of Preference Shares shall be entitled to any benefit under the Preference Share Documents until such time as the Holder thereof and the number of Preference Shares have been recorded in the Share Register. Notwithstanding delivery of a Preference Share certificate, the Share Register shall be conclusive evidence, and the only evidence, of the issuance and registered Holders of Preference Shares.

Section 5. Registration, Registration of Transfer and Exchange.

(a) The Issuer shall cause to be kept a register (the “**Share Register**”) in the Cayman Islands in which, subject to such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe, the Issuer shall provide for the registration and registration of transfers thereof of Preference Shares, including the registration of the uncertificated Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Components of the Class 1 Composite Securities and the Class 2 Composite Securities which shall be registered in the name of the Composite Securityholders registered in the Indenture Register. The Administrator is appointed the “**Share Registrar**” pursuant to the Administration Agreement for the purpose of registering Preference Shares and transfers of Preference Shares. Upon any resignation or removal of the Share Registrar, the Issuer shall promptly appoint a successor or, in the absence of such appointment, assume the duties of Share Registrar. The Share Registrar shall promptly provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with copies of all notices, certificates and requests received with respect to the Preference Shares and promptly provide notice of all transfers and exchanges of Preference Shares. The Share Registrar shall not be required to determine whether any proposed exchange, transfer, redemption or other transaction in relation to the Preference Shares complies with any restrictions imposed by law or under the terms of the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents but shall be entitled to rely completely in that respect on the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

The Issuer will give the Preference Shares Paying Agent prompt written notice of the appointment of any successor Share Registrar and of the location, and any change in the location, of the Share Registrar, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have the right to inspect the Share Register at all reasonable times and to obtain copies thereof and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have the right to rely upon a certificate executed on behalf of such

Share Registrar by an Officer thereof as to the names and addresses of the Shareholders and the numbers of such Preference Shares. If the Preference Shares Paying Agent resigns or is removed in accordance with the terms of the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement, the Issuer shall promptly appoint a successor.

Subject to this Section 5, upon surrender of a Preference Share certificate for registration of transfer thereof at the offices of the Preference Shares Paying Agent in compliance with the provisions set forth in the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall notify the Issuer and the Share Registrar thereof and the Issuer shall execute and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver, in the name of the designated transferee or transferees, one or more new Preference Share certificates of like terms and of a like number, and the Share Register shall be amended accordingly. The Issuer shall (and shall cause the Share Registrar to) refuse to transfer any Preference Share to the fullest extent allowed under Cayman Islands law if such transfer would violate any of the transfer restrictions provided in this Section 5 or the transferee fails to provide a required transfer certificate. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the uncertificated Preference Shares may only be transferred in connection with a transfer of the Class 1 Composite Securities and the Class 2 Composite Securities in accordance with the provisions set forth in the Indenture.

At the option of the Shareholder, Preference Share certificates may be exchanged for one or more Preference Share certificates of like terms, each in an Authorized Amount. Upon surrender of the Preference Share certificates to be exchanged at the office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent and upon satisfaction of the requirements set forth in this Section 5, but subject to the Preference Shares Paying Agent's obligations set forth in the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall instruct the Share Registrar to make the appropriate entries in the Share Register and the Issuer shall execute and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver the Preference Share certificates.

All Preference Share certificates presented or surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange shall be duly endorsed, or be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar, duly executed by the Holder of Preference Shares thereof or its attorney duly authorized in writing.

No service charge shall be made to a Holder for any registration of transfer or exchange of Preference Shares, but the Preference Shares Paying Agent or Transfer Agent may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

(b) No Preference Share may be sold or transferred (including, without limitation, by pledge or hypothecation) unless such sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act and is exempt under applicable state securities law.

No Preference Share may be offered, sold or delivered in a non-Offshore Transaction or to, or for the benefit of, U.S. Persons except in accordance with this Section 5.

The Preference Shares may also be sold or resold, as the case may be, in an Offshore Transaction to non-U.S. Persons in reliance on Regulation S. None of the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any other Person may register the Preference Shares under the Securities Act or any state securities law.

For so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding, neither the Issuer nor the Share Registrar shall register any transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares to U.S. Persons.

So long as Preference Shares remain Outstanding, transfers and exchanges of Preference Shares, in whole or in part, shall only be made in accordance with the following provisions:

(i) Certificated Preference Shares to Regulation S Global Preference Shares.  
If a Holder of Certificated Preference Shares wishes at any time to exchange its interest in such Certificated Preference Shares for an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Preference Shares, or to transfer its interest in such Certificated Preference Shares to a Person who wishes to take delivery thereof in the form of an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Preference Shares, such Holder may, subject to the immediately succeeding sentence and the rules and procedures of the Depository, exchange or transfer or cause the exchange or transfer of such interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in Regulation S Global Preference Shares. Upon receipt by the Preference Shares Paying Agent of (A) instructions given in accordance with the Depository's procedures from a participant thereof directing the Preference Shares Paying Agent to instruct the Depository to cause to be credited a beneficial interest in Regulation S Global Preference Shares in an amount equal to the interest in the Certificated Preference Shares to be exchanged or transferred, (B) a written order given in accordance with the Depository's procedures containing information regarding the participant account of the Depository and the Euroclear and Clearstream accounts to be credited with such increase and (C) a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B attached hereto given by the transferee of the Regulation S Global Preference Shares stating that the Holder of the Certificated Preference Share (in the case of an exchange) or the Person acquiring such interest (in the case of transfer) is not a U.S. Person and that, in either case, such Holder or transferee is not a Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person and that the exchange or transfer of such Certificated Preference Shares has been made in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Certificated Preference Shares, including in accordance with Rule 903 or 904 of Regulation S, the Share Registrar shall cancel the Certificated Preference Shares to be transferred and upon surrender by or on behalf of the Depository of the existing Regulation S Global Preference Share Certificates, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall instruct the Share Registrar to (i) cancel the same and deliver new Regulation S Global Preference Share Certificates registered in the name of the Depository or its nominee in the number of Preference Shares required and (ii) update the Share Register to reflect such exchange or transfer.

(ii) Regulation S Global Preference Shares to Certificated Preference Shares.  
If a Holder of a beneficial interest in Regulation S Global Preference Shares registered in the name of the Depository wishes at any time to exchange its interest in such Regulation

S Global Preference Shares for Certificated Preference Shares or to transfer its interest in such Regulation S Global Preference Shares to a Person who wishes to take delivery thereof in the form of Certificated Preference Shares, such Holder may, subject to the immediately succeeding sentence and the rules and procedures of Euroclear, Clearstream or the Depository, as the case may be, cause the exchange or transfer of such interest for an equivalent number of Certificated Preference Shares. Upon receipt by the Preference Shares Paying Agent of (A) instructions from Euroclear, Clearstream or the Depository, as the case may be, directing the Preference Shares Paying Agent to cause to be issued a certificate equal to the beneficial interest in the Regulations S Global Preference Shares to be exchanged or transferred, but not less than the Authorized Amount, such instructions to contain information regarding the participant account with the Depository to be credited with such decrease, and (B) a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B attached hereto given by the transferee of such beneficial interest and stating, among other things, that, in the case of transfer, (1) either the Person acquiring such interest in the Preference Shares is a Qualified Institutional Buyer, or the Person acquiring such interest in the Certificated Preference Shares is an Accredited Investor and, in either case, the Person acquiring the interest in the Certificated Preference Shares is a Qualified Purchaser, a Knowledgeable Employee or an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees, or (2) the Person acquiring such interest in the Preference Shares is a non-U.S. Person, or that, in the case of an exchange, the Holder is (1) a Qualified Institutional Buyer or an Accredited Investor and, in each case, a Qualified Purchaser, a Knowledgeable Employee or an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees, or (2) a non-U.S. Person, then Euroclear or Clearstream or the Preference Shares Paying Agent will instruct the Depository to submit the Regulation S Global Preference Share to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, who shall instruct the Share Registrar to (i) cancel the same and deliver a new Regulation S Global Preference Share Certificate registered in the name of the Depository or its nominee in the number of Preference Shares required and the Share Registrar will issue Certificated Preference Shares in an amount equal to the original number of Preference Shares represented by such beneficial interest and (ii) update the Share Register to reflect such exchange or transfer.

(iii) Certificated Preference Shares to Certificated Preference Shares. If a Holder of a Certificated Preference Shares wishes at any time to transfer its interest in such Certificated Preference Shares to a Person who wishes to take delivery thereof in the form of Certificated Preference Shares, such Holder may cause the transfer of such interest for an equivalent number of Certificated Preference Shares, subject to the restrictions set forth herein. Upon receipt by the Preference Shares Paying Agent of (A) such Holder's Certificated Preference Share certificates duly endorsed and (B) a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B attached hereto given by the transferee of such Certificated Preference Shares and stating, among other things, that (1) either the Person acquiring such interest in the Preference Shares is a Qualified Institutional Buyer, or the Person acquiring such interest in the Certificated Preference Shares is an Accredited Investor and, in either case, the Person acquiring the interest in the Certificated Preference Shares is a Qualified Purchaser, a Knowledgeable Employee or an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees, or (2) the Person acquiring such interest in the Preference Shares is a non-U.S. Person,

then the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall instruct the Share Registrar to, and the Share Registrar shall (i) cancel the Certificated Preference Shares certificate representing such Certificated Preference Shares and the Share Registrar will issue to such transferee Certificated Preference Shares in an amount equal to the number of the Preference Shares to be transferred and (ii) update the Share Register to reflect such exchange or transfer.

The Components of the Composite Securities, whether such Composite Securities are in the form of Certificated Composite Securities or Regulation S Global Composite Securities, are not separately transferable. Subject to and in compliance with the provisions of the Indenture, a Holder of a Class 1 Composite Security or a Holder of a Class 2 Composite Security may exchange its Class 1 Composite Security or Class 2 Composite Security, respectively, for proportional interests in the underlying securities represented by the Components thereof.

Any transfer will be subject to the requirement that any transferee (and transferor, in the case of a partial transfer) acquire Preference Shares in an Authorized Amount.

Each Transferee Certificate furnished pursuant to this Section 5(b) may be relied on conclusively by the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar. None of the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Share Registrar or any other Person shall be required to register the Preference Shares under the Securities Act or any state securities laws.

Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary herein, so long as any Regulation S Global Preference Shares remain Outstanding and are held by or on behalf of the Depository, transfers of Regulation S Global Preference Shares or any beneficial interests therein shall only be made in accordance with this Annex A. Transfers of interests in Regulation S Global Preference Shares may be made (a) by book-entry transfer of beneficial interests within the relevant Clearing Agency or (b) in the case of transfers of interests between Certificated Preference Shares and Regulation S Global Preference Shares, in accordance with this Section 5. In each case of a transfer of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Preference Share that requires the Preference Shares Paying Agent to instruct the Depository to reduce or increase the aggregate number of Preference Shares represented by a Regulation S Global Preference Share certificate, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall cancel such Regulation S Global Preference Share certificate, and shall instruct the Issuer to issue a new Regulation S Global Preference Share certificate registered in the name of the Depository in an amount equal to the aggregate outstanding face amount of the Preference Shares represented by the Regulation S Global Preference Shares after such transfer as reflected in the Share Register. The new Regulation S Global Preference Share certificate shall be deposited with the Preference Shares Paying Agent as custodian for the Depository; provided that, the Issuer shall not be required to issue a Regulation S Global Preference Share certificate if the aggregate outstanding face amount of the Preference Shares represented by such Regulation S Global Preference Share certificate is zero, but will, at the request of the Preference Shares Paying Agent, provide a certificate to the Preference Shares Paying Agent stating that the Preference Shares remain eligible to be held by the Depository in the event of future transfer and exchanges.

In the event that Regulation S Global Preference Shares are transferred to the Beneficial Owners thereof pursuant to this Section 5, such Preference Shares may be transferred

only in accordance with such procedures and restrictions as are substantially consistent with the provisions above (including certification requirements intended to ensure that such transfers comply with Rule 144A or another exemption from registration requirements of the Securities Act, or are to non-U.S. Persons and non-U.S. residents (as determined for purposes of the Investment Company Act), or otherwise comply with Regulation 5, as the case may be) and as may be from time to time adopted by the Issuer.

(c) By delivery of a Subscription Agreement on the Closing Date in connection with the initial issuance of the Certificated Preference Shares, or upon delivery of a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B upon the transfer of Certificated Preference Shares, each Holder of a Certificated Preference Share will represent, warrant and agree with the Issuer to what is in Exhibit B and set forth in Exhibit B. By delivery of a Subscription Agreement on the Closing Date in connection with the initial issuance of the beneficial interests in the Regulation S Global Preference Shares, or upon delivery of a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B upon the transfer of an interest in Certificated Preference Shares for an interest in a Regulation S Global Preference Share or upon any other transfer of an interest in a Regulation S Global Preference Share, each Holder of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Preference Share shall represent, warrant and agree or be deemed to have represented, warranted and agreed, as the case may be, to what is in Exhibit B with the Issuer, in each case as set forth in Exhibit B.

If Preference Share certificates are issued upon the transfer, exchange or replacement of Preference Share certificates and a request is made to remove the applicable legend on such Preference Share certificates, the Preference Share certificates so issued shall bear such applicable legend, or such applicable legend shall not be removed, as the case may be, unless there is delivered to the Issuer such satisfactory evidence, which may include an opinion of counsel as may be reasonably required by the Issuer to the effect that neither such applicable legend nor the restrictions on transfer set forth therein are required to ensure that transfers thereof comply with the provisions of Rule 144A under, Section 4 of, or Regulation S under, the Securities Act, as applicable, or the Investment Company Act. Upon provision of such satisfactory evidence, the Issuer shall execute and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver Preference Share certificates that do not bear such applicable legend.

(d) At any time when the Issuer is not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act and is not exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act, upon the request of any Holder or Beneficial Owner of Preference Shares, the Issuer shall promptly furnish Rule 144A Information to such Holder or Beneficial Owner, to a prospective purchaser of any Preference Share designated by such Holder or Beneficial Owner or to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for delivery to such Holder or Beneficial Owner or a prospective purchaser designated by such Holder or Beneficial Owner, as the case may be, in order to permit compliance by such Holder or Beneficial Owner with Rule 144A under the Securities Act in connection with the resale of such Preference Share by such Holder or Beneficial Owner.

Section 6. Mutilated, Defaced, Destroyed, Lost or Stolen Preference Share certificates.

If any mutilated or defaced Preference Share certificate is surrendered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, or if there shall be delivered to the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (i) evidence to their reasonable satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of any Preference Share certificate and (ii) such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them and any agent of any of them harmless that such Preference Share has been acquired by a protected purchaser, then, the Issuer shall execute and, upon Issuer Request, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver, in lieu of any such mutilated, defaced, destroyed, lost or stolen Preference Share, a new Preference Share certificate identical in all respects to the entry in the Share Register with respect to such Preference Shares represented thereby, including the same date of issuance, number of Preference Shares and name of the Holder thereof, dated the date of its execution and bearing a number not contemporaneously Outstanding. Upon the execution and delivery of any new Preference Share certificates under this Section 6, the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent may require the payment by the registered Holder thereof of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation thereto and any other expenses (including the fees and expenses of the Preference Shares Paying Agent, if applicable) connected therewith.

If, after delivery of such new Preference Share certificate, a protected purchaser of the Preference Shares represented by the predecessor Preference Share certificate presents for payment, transfer or exchange such predecessor Preference Share certificate, the Issuer, the Share Registrar and the Preference Share Paying Agent shall be entitled to recover such new Preference Share certificate from the Person to whom it was delivered or any Person taking therefrom, and shall be entitled to recover upon the security or indemnity provided therefor to the extent of any loss, damage, cost or expense incurred by the Issuer and the Preference Share Paying Agent in connection therewith.

Section 7. Payment of Distributions on Preference Shares.

Pursuant to the Indenture, amounts may be paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent on behalf of the Issuer on each Payment Date, on the Redemption Date or on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. Unless the Preference Shares Paying Agent has received contrary instructions from the Directors of the Issuer prior to a Payment Date, the Redemption Date or the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date in accordance with the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, all amounts received as dividends by the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Indenture shall be paid to the Holders of Preference Shares (i) in respect of a Payment Date or the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, *pro rata* on the Preference Shares on such Payment Date or Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date by way of a dividend on the Preference Shares or, if applicable, as redemption price therefor or (ii) in respect of the Redemption Date, in accordance with Section 3(f) of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. If, prior to the date of distribution in accordance with the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Directors instruct the Preference Shares Paying Agent not to distribute all or any portion of monies to be received by the Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to a Payment Date, the Redemption Date or the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (which instruction shall be made if



such distributions would be impermissible under Cayman law, and then only to the extent such distributions would be impermissible), the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall retain such monies in the Preference Shares Distribution Account and shall pay such amounts as soon as practicable after being instructed to do so by the Directors.

The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall make payments or distributions to each registered Holder of Preference Shares on the relevant Record Date by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a U.S. Dollar account maintained by each such Holder as notified to the Preference Shares Paying Agent or, in the absence of such notification, by U.S. Dollar check mailed to such Holder at its address of record as set forth in the Share Register. As a condition to payment of any amount hereunder without the imposition of U.S. withholding tax, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, may require certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments or distributions in respect of Preference Shares under any present or future law or regulation of the United States or any present or future law or regulation of any political subdivision thereof or taxing authority therein or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under such law or regulation. All payments of distributions by the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be made without charging any commission or fee to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

#### Section 8. Persons Deemed Owners.

The person listed in the Share Register (which shall, in the case of the Preference Share Components of the Class 1 Composite Securities and the Class 2 Composite Securities, which shall be in the name of the Composite Securityholder in the Indenture Register) shall be treated as the owner of Preference Shares related thereto for all purposes, notwithstanding the possession of any certificates for the Preference Shares by another Person.

#### Section 9. Cancellation.

All Preference Share certificates representing Preference Shares surrendered for payment, registration of transfer, exchange or redemption, or deemed lost or stolen, shall promptly be canceled by the Share Registrar in accordance with its policy and may not be reissued or resold. No Preference Share certificates shall be issued in lieu of or in exchange for any Preference Shares cancelled as provided in this Section 9, except as expressly permitted by this Annex A. All cancelled Preference Share certificates held by the Share Registrar shall be placed in the minute books in the corporate records of the Issuer. Any certificates issued in respect of Preference Shares repurchased by the Issuer shall be immediately delivered to the Share Registrar for cancellation.

#### Section 10. Preference Shares Owned by Non-Permitted U.S. Holders; Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investors; Non-Permitted Holders.

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, any transfer of a Preference Share to a U.S. Person that is not both (x) either a Qualified Institutional Buyer or an Accredited Investor and (y) either a Qualified Purchaser, a Knowledgeable Employee, or an

entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees (any such Person a “**Non-Permitted U.S. Holder**”) shall be null and void *ab initio* and any such purported transfer of which the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have notice may be disregarded by the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent for all purposes.

If any Non-Permitted U.S. Holder shall become the owner of any Preference Shares, the Issuer shall, promptly after discovery that such Person is a Non-Permitted U.S. Holder by the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (and notice by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Issuer, if the Preference Shares Paying Agent makes the discovery), send notice to such Non-Permitted U.S. Holder demanding that such Non-Permitted U.S. Holder transfer its Preference Shares to a Person that is eligible to purchase such Preference Shares hereunder within 30 days of the date of such notice. If such Non-Permitted U.S. Holder fails to so transfer its Preference Shares, the Issuer shall have the right, without further notice to the Non-Permitted U.S. Holder, to sell such Preference Shares to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is eligible to purchase such Preference Shares hereunder on such terms as the Issuer may choose. The Issuer, or the Preference Shares Paying Agent acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting one or more bids from one or more brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Preference Shares, and selling such Preference Shares to the highest such bidder. However, the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent acting on behalf of the Issuer may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Preference Share, the Non-Permitted U.S. Holder and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder to the Non-Permitted U.S. Holder, by its acceptance of the Preference Shares, agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent to effect such transfers. The proceeds of such sale, net of any commissions, expenses and taxes due in connection with such sale, shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted U.S. Holder. The terms and conditions of any sale under this Section shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer, and neither the Issuer nor the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be liable to any Person having an interest in the Preference Shares sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of such discretion.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, no person shall be permitted to acquire Preference Shares if such acquisition would result in persons who have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owing 25% or more of the aggregate amount of the Preference Shares (including Preference Share Components) outstanding immediately after such acquisition (excluding for purposes of this determination the Preference Shares held by any Controlling Person and its Affiliates that are not also Benefit Plan Investor), determined in accordance with the Plan Asset Regulation. Furthermore, no person shall be permitted to acquire Preference Shares if such person, or any account on behalf of which such person is acquiring the Preference Shares, is either (1) an ERISA Plan or (2) a Benefit Plan Investor that is not an ERISA Plan, but whose purchase, holding or disposition of a Preference Share or any beneficial interest therein will result in a non-exempt violation of any federal, state, foreign or local law substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code. Any person described in the first sentence of this subsection (b) and any person described in clause (1) or (2) of the preceding sentence is referred to herein as a “**Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor**.” Any transfer of Preference Shares or Preference Share Components to a Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor shall be null and void *ab initio* and any such purported transfer of which the Issuer

or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have notice may be disregarded by the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent for all purposes.

If any Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor shall become the owner of Preference Shares, the Issuer shall, promptly after discovery that such person is a Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor by the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (and notice by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Issuer, if the Preference Shares Paying Agent makes the discovery), send notice to such Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor demanding that such Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor transfer its Preference Shares to a Person that is eligible to purchase such Preference Shares hereunder within 30 days of the date of such notice. If such Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor fails to so transfer such Preference Shares, the Issuer shall have the right, without further notice to the Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor, to sell such Preference Shares to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is eligible to purchase such Preference Shares hereunder on such terms as the Issuer may choose. The Issuer, or the Preference Shares Paying Agent acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting one or more bids from one or more brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Preference Shares and selling such Preference Shares to the highest such bidder. However, the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent acting on behalf of the Issuer may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Preference Share, the Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder to the Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor, by its acceptance of Preference Shares agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent to effect such transfers. The proceeds of such sale, net of any commissions, expenses and taxes due in connection with such sale shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor. The terms and conditions of any sale under this subsection shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer, and the Issuer shall not be liable to any Person having an interest in the Preference Shares sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of such discretion.

Any Holder that becomes a Non-Permitted U.S. Holder or a Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor or any Holder who has made an ERISA-related representation required by this Annex A that was at the time made, or has subsequently become, false or misleading, must immediately give written notice to the Issuer of such event. Any Holder of Preference Shares that proposes or attempts a transfer that would result in the holding of Preference Shares by a Non-Permitted U.S. Holder or that the Holder knows or has reason to know would result in the holding of Preference Shares by a Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor, must give at least 15 days prior written notice to the Issuer of such proposed transfer. In any case, the notifying party must provide the Issuer such information as it may request in order to determine the effect, if any, of such event on the Issuer with respect to its compliance with the Securities Act, the 1940 Act, ERISA and the Code.

#### Section 11. Return of Undistributed Dividends.

Except as otherwise required by applicable law, any monies deposited with the Preference Shares Paying Agent and held in the Preference Shares Distribution Account or otherwise held for the payment of dividends with respect to the Preference Shares and remaining unclaimed for two years after such amounts have become payable shall be paid to the Issuer on Issuer Request; and the Holder of such Preference Shares shall thereafter look only to the Issuer

for payment of such amounts and all liability of the Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such Money (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Issuer) shall thereupon cease. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, before being required to make any such release of payment, may, but shall not be required to, adopt and employ, at the expense of the Issuer, any reasonable means of notification of such release of payment, including, but not limited to, mailing notice to Holders whose right to or interest in such unclaimed monies is determinable from the records of the Preference Shares Paying Agent or Share Registrar, or in the case of the Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Components of the Class 1 Composite Securities and the Class 2 Composite Securities, the Indenture Registrar, at the last address of record of each such Holder.

#### Section 12. Disclosure of Tax Treatment.

In order to ensure the Holders' and Beneficial Owners' acquisition of the Preference Shares pursuant to this Agreement are not treated as offered under conditions of confidentiality, the Holders and Beneficial Owners of the Preference Shares (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) are hereby permitted to disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement (including the ownership and disposition of the Preference Shares). For this purpose, the tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction, and the tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction.

#### Section 13. Certain Tax Matters.

The Issuer and each Holder and each Beneficial Owner of a Preference Share, by acceptance of its Preference Share, or its interest in a Preference Share, shall be deemed to have agreed to treat, and shall treat, such Preference Share as equity of the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes.

The Issuer will not elect to be treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

The Issuer shall file, or cause to be filed, any tax return, including information tax returns, required by any governmental authority; provided, however, that the Issuer shall not file, or cause to be filed, any income or franchise tax return in any state of the United States unless it shall have obtained an Opinion of Counsel from a tax counsel of nationally recognized standing experienced in such matters prior to such filing that, under the laws of such jurisdiction, the Issuer is required to file such income or franchise tax return.

Each Holder and Beneficial Owner of a Preference Share, by acceptance of its Preference Share or its interest in a Preference Share, shall be deemed to understand and acknowledge that failure to provide the Issuer, the Trustee or the Preference Shares Paying Agent with the applicable U.S. federal income tax certifications (generally, a United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 (or successor applicable form) in the case of a person that is a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code or an

appropriate United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 (or successor applicable form) in the case of a person that is not a “United States person” within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) may result in U.S. federal back-up withholding from payments in respect of such Preference Share.

The Issuer shall cause its independent accountants, within 90 days after the end of each calendar year, to provide to each Holder of the Preference Shares and, upon written request therefor certifying that it is a Holder of a beneficial interest in a Preference Share, to such Holder (or its designee), all information that a U.S. shareholder making a “qualified electing fund” election (as defined in the Code) with respect to the Preference Shares is required to obtain from the Issuer for U.S. federal income tax purposes and a “PFIC Annual Information Statement” as described in United States Treasury Regulation section 1.1295-1(g)(1) (or any successor Treasury Regulation) (including all representations and statements required by such statement), and the Issuer will take or cause to be taken any other reasonable steps to facilitate such election by a Holder of the Preference Shares or Beneficial Owner of the Preference Shares.

The Issuer shall provide, or cause to be provided, upon the request of a Holder of a Preference Share and, upon written request certifying that it is a Holder of a beneficial interest in a Preference Share, to such Holder (or its designee), any information that a Holder or Beneficial Owner of the Preference Shares reasonably requests to assist such Holder of the Preference Shares or Beneficial Owner with regard to filing requirements the Holder of the Preference Shares or Beneficial Owner of the Preference Shares is required to satisfy as a result of the controlled foreign corporation rules under the Code.

If the Issuer is aware that it has purchased an interest in a “reportable transaction” within the meaning of Section 6011 of the Code, and a Holder of a Preference Shares requests information about any such transactions in which the Issuer is an investor, the Issuer shall provide such information it has reasonably available as soon as practicable after such request.

The Issuer shall not become the owner of any asset if the ownership or disposition of such asset (without regard to the other activities of the Issuer) would cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes, it being understood that the purchase of Collateral Obligations pursuant to the acquisition standards set forth in the Collateral Acquisition Agreement will not be deemed to cause the Issuer to be engaged in a trade or business with the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

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**Exhibit A****FORM OF [REGULATION S GLOBAL] [CERTIFICATED] PREFERENCE SHARE****JASPER CLO LTD.****PREFERENCE SHARES, PAR VALUE \$0.01 PER SHARE**

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “**SECURITIES ACT**”), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**”). THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A)(1) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE PREFERENCE SHARES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A, (2) TO AN ACCREDITED INVESTOR (AS DEFINED IN RULE 501(a) UNDER REGULATION D UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT) IN A TRANSACTION EXEMPT FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, OR (3) TO A NON-U.S. PERSON IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND, IN THE CASE OF CLAUSES (1) AND (2), TO A PURCHASER THAT (X) IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(C)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER OR KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEE) THAT HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (Y) IS A KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEE (AS DEFINED IN RULE 3C-5 UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT) WITH RESPECT TO THE ISSUER OR (Z) IS AN ENTITY OWNED EXCLUSIVELY BY QUALIFIED PURCHASERS AND/OR KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEES, (B) IN EACH CASE, IN A NUMBER OF NOT LESS THAN 100 PREFERENCE SHARES FOR THE PURCHASER AND FOR EACH SUCH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS ACTING, AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE (OR WILL BE DEEMED TO MAKE) THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY BE PURCHASED BY OR TRANSFERRED TO A BENEFIT PLAN

INVESTOR OR CONTROLLING PERSON (EACH AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) ONLY UPON THE SATISFACTION OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID *AB INITIO*, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL ANY PREFERENCE SHARES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED U.S. HOLDERS OR NON-PERMITTED BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR (AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER AND ANY PAYING AGENT, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) SHALL RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF U.S. FEDERAL BACK-UP WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY.

*[INSERT FOR REGULATION S GLOBAL PREFERENCE SHARE ONLY]* EACH PURCHASER OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE DEEMED TO REPRESENT, WARRANT AND COVENANT THAT UPON THE ACQUISITION OF, AND THROUGHOUT ITS HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF THIS PREFERENCE SHARE OR ANY INTEREST HEREIN, IT IS NOT, IS NOT USING THE ASSETS OF, AND WILL NOT BECOME OR TRANSFER ITS INTEREST TO AN EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(3) OF THE UNITED STATES EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA"), WHETHER OR NOT SUBJECT TO ERISA, A "PLAN" DESCRIBED IN SECTION 4975 OF THE UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE"), AN ENTITY DEEMED TO HOLD ASSETS OF EITHER OF THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER, THE CO-ISSUER, THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER OR OTHER "CONTROLLING PERSON" OR "AFFILIATE" THEREOF (WITHIN THE MEANINGS OF THE PLAN ASSET REGULATION). EACH PURCHASER WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFER CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS OR WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENT SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

UNLESS THIS PREFERENCE SHARE IS PRESENTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY ("DTC") TO THE SHARE

REGISTRAR FOR REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER OR PAYMENT, AND ANY CERTIFICATE ISSUED IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF CEDE & CO. OR IN SUCH OTHER NAME AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC (AND ANY PAYMENT MADE TO CEDE & CO. OR TO SUCH OTHER ENTITY AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC), ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL INASMUCH AS THE REGISTERED OWNER HEREOF, CEDE & CO., HAS AN INTEREST HEREIN.

*[INSERT FOR CERTIFICATED PREFERENCE SHARE ONLY]* EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFER CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.



**JASPER CLO LTD.**

Number [P] [S] -

CUSIP NO.:

xxxxx Preference Shares

Existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands  
**US\$950** divided into 250 Ordinary Shares  
of a nominal par value of **US\$1.00** each  
and 70,000 Preference Shares of a nominal or par value of **US\$0.01** each

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT

**XXX**

is the registered Holder of

**- XXX Preference Shares -**

in the above-named Company subject to the Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association thereof

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED BY the said Company on this 29<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2005.

EXECUTED on behalf of the said Company by:

DIRECTOR\_\_\_\_\_

**Exhibit B**

**FORM OF TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE FOR PREFERENCE SHARES**

Jasper CLO Ltd.  
P.O. Box 1234  
Queensgate House  
South Church Street  
George Town  
Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent  
600 Travis Street, 50<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Houston, Texas 77002  
Attention: Worldwide Securities Services — Jasper CLO Ltd.

Re: Jasper CLO Ltd.  
Preference Shares, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share

Dear Sirs:

Reference is hereby made to the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association (the "**Articles**") and certain resolutions adopted at a meeting of the Issuer's Board of Directors on or about June 28, 2005 (the "**Resolutions**"), as reflected in the minutes thereof. Reference is also made to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of June 29, 2005 (the "**Agreement**") by and between Jasper CLO Ltd., as Issuer and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as Preference Shares Paying Agent. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings set forth in the Resolutions, including Annex A thereto ("**Annex A**"), and if not defined in the Resolutions, in the Offering Memorandum.

This certificate relates to \_\_\_\_\_ Preference Shares which are to be transferred to the undersigned transferee (the "**purchaser**") in the form of a [Certificated] [Regulation S Global] Preference Share of such Class pursuant to Section 5(b) of Annex A.

1. The purchaser hereby represents, warrants and covenants for the benefit of the Issuer that the transfer has been effected in accordance with the transfer restrictions set forth in Section 5(b) of Annex A and the Offering Memorandum, dated June 27, 2005 (the "**Offering Memorandum**") relating to the Preference Shares and that:

(1) The purchaser hereby certifies that it is (check one):

\_\_\_\_\_ a person that is not a "U.S. person" as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act; or

- a Qualified Institutional Buyer as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act and it is a Qualified Purchaser for purposes of the Investment Company Act; or
- an Accredited Investor as defined in Rule 501(a) under the Securities Act and it is a Qualified Purchaser for purposes of the Investment Company Act.

(2) If the purchaser is:

(A) (i) a Qualified Institutional Buyer, such purchaser is aware that the sale of the Preference Shares to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements under the Securities Act and is acquiring the Preference Shares for its own account or for one or more accounts, each of which is a Qualified Institutional Buyer, and as to each of which the purchaser exercises sole investment discretion, and in a number not less than the minimum lot, in each case for the purchaser and for each such account, or (ii) an Accredited Investor, such purchaser is aware that the sale of Preference Shares to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements under the Securities Act and is acquiring the Preference Shares for its own account in a number not less than the minimum lot, or

(B) a non-U.S. Person, such purchaser is purchasing the Preference Shares in an Offshore Transaction not involving any directed selling efforts in the United States, is aware that the sale of Preference Shares to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from the registration requirements under the Securities Act provided by Regulation S and is acquiring the Preference Shares for its own account in a number not less than the minimum lot.

2. The purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in the Preference Shares, and the purchaser, and any accounts for which it is acting, are each able to bear the economic risk of the purchaser's or its investment.

3. The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Preference Shares have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Preference Shares, such Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the legend in respect of such Preference Shares set forth in clause (10) below and the restrictions set forth in the Preference Share Documents. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager or the Placement Agents or any of their respective affiliates as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Preference Shares.

4. The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Preference Shares or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Preference Share Documents, to which provisions the purchaser hereby agrees it is subject.

5. The purchaser is not purchasing the Preference Shares with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares will be highly illiquid and are not suitable for short-term trading. The Preference Shares are a leveraged investment in the Collateral Obligations that may expose the Preference Shares to disproportionately large changes in value. Payments in respect of the Preference Shares are not guaranteed as they are dependent on the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations. The purchaser understands that it is possible that, due to the structure of the transaction and the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations, dividends or other distributions in respect of the Preference Shares may be reduced or eliminated entirely. Furthermore, the Preference Shares constitute equity in the Issuer, are not secured by the Collateral and will rank behind all creditors (secured and unsecured and whether known or unknown) of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the Holders of the Notes, and any Hedge Counterparties. The Issuer has assets limited to the Collateral for payment of all Classes of the Notes and dividends and other distributions on the Preference Shares, and the Preference Shares bear, pro rata, the first risk of loss. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Preference Shares involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of all or a substantial part of its investment. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Issuer, the Preference Shares and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Preference Shares, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Issuer and the Placement Agents.

6. (i) None of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, or the Portfolio Manager is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment advisor for the purchaser, (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Portfolio Manager or any of their respective affiliates other than in a current offering memorandum for the Preference Shares and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Portfolio Manager or any of their respective affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other Person or documentation for the Preference Shares) any assurance, guarantee or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance, result, effect, consequence or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting or otherwise) of the Preference Shares or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the documentation for the Preference Shares) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice

from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Portfolio Manager or any of their respective affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Preference Shares reflect those in the relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) if the purchaser is acting for the account of another investor, the purchaser represents that the investment on behalf of such account is based on a determination that the investment is suitable based on the risks referred to in the Offering Memorandum (including, without limitation, the "Risk Factors" and the "Transfer Restrictions for the Preference Shares"), given the investment objectives of the account for which the purchase is being made, and that the investment is consistent with any applicable legal requirements; (vii) the purchaser is purchasing the Preference Shares with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it, and each account for which it is acquiring Preference Shares, is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (viii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

7. If the purchaser is acquiring the Preference Shares pursuant to paragraph (2)(A) above, (A) the purchaser and each account for which the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares is (i) a Qualified Purchaser, (ii) a Knowledgeable Employee or (iii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees, (B) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares for any account, each such account) is acquiring the Preference Shares as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (C) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares for any account, each such account) was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Preference Shares (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) a Knowledgeable Employee), (D) to the extent the purchaser or any account for which the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, the purchaser or such account has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (E) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares for any account, each such account) agrees that it shall not hold such Preference Shares for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Preference Shares or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or other distributions on the Preference Shares (except when each person is (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) a Knowledgeable Employee) and (F) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Preference Shares to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph shall be null and void *ab initio*.

8. The purchaser understands that, prior to any sale or other transfer of any interest in Preference Shares held in the form of a Certificated Preference Share, it (or the transferee, as applicable) will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent a duly executed transfer certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B attached to Annex A and such other certificates and other information as they may reasonably require to confirm that the proposed transfer complies with the restrictions in the legend placed on each certificate representing the Preference Shares and in the Preference Share Documents.

9. The purchaser understands and agrees that (i) no purchase or transfer may be made that would result in any person or entity holding beneficial ownership in any Preference Shares in less than an authorized number as set forth in Annex A and (ii) no purchase or transfer of Preference Shares that would have the effect of requiring either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral to register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act will be permitted.

10. (i) The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares (a) will be represented by either one or more Certificated Preference Shares or Regulation S Global Preference Share which will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Issuer determines otherwise in accordance with applicable law, and (b) (i) in the case of Preference Shares represented by an interest in a Certificated Preference Share, may only be resold, pledged or transferred to (x) non-U.S. Persons or (y) U.S. Persons that are either Qualified Institutional Buyers or Accredited Investors and either (a) Qualified Purchasers, (b) Knowledgeable Employees or (c) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees and (ii) in the case of Preference Shares represented by an interest in a Regulation S Global Preference Share, may not at any time be held by or on behalf of any person that is a U.S. Person. The purchaser understands that before the Preference Shares represented by an interest in Certificated Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred, the transferee will be required to provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Issuer with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "**SECURITIES ACT**"), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE "**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**"). THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A)(1) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE PREFERENCE SHARES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A, (2) TO AN ACCREDITED INVESTOR (AS DEFINED IN RULE 501(a) UNDER REGULATION D UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT) IN A TRANSACTION EXEMPT FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, OR (3) TO A NON-U.S. PERSON IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND, IN THE CASE OF CLAUSES (1) AND (2), TO A PURCHASER THAT (X) IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION (3)(C)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER OR KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEE) THAT HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (Y) IS A KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEE (AS DEFINED IN RULE 3C-5 UNDER THE

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In addition, each Certificated Preference Share will contain the following additional legend:

EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFER CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.



In addition, each Regulation S Global Preference Share representing any Preference Share will contain the following additional legend:

EACH PURCHASER OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE DEEMED TO REPRESENT, WARRANT AND COVENANT THAT UPON THE ACQUISITION OF, AND THROUGHOUT ITS HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF THIS PREFERENCE SHARE OR ANY INTEREST HEREIN, IT IS NOT, IS NOT USING THE ASSETS OF, AND WILL NOT BECOME OR TRANSFER ITS INTEREST TO AN EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(3) OF THE UNITED STATES EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED (“**ERISA**”), WHETHER OR NOT SUBJECT TO ERISA, A “PLAN” DESCRIBED IN SECTION 4975 OF THE UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE “**CODE**”), AN ENTITY DEEMED TO HOLD ASSETS OF EITHER OF THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER, THE CO-ISSUER, THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER OR OTHER “CONTROLLING PERSON” OR “AFFILIATE” THEREOF (WITHIN THE MEANINGS OF THE PLAN ASSET REGULATION). EACH PURCHASER WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFER CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS OR WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENT SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

Each Regulation S Global Preference Share will also bear the additional legend set forth below:

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

11. The funds that the purchaser is using or will use to purchase the Preference Shares are assets of a person who is or at any time while the Preference Shares are held by the purchaser will be (A) an “employee benefit plan” as defined in Section 3(3) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“**ERISA**”), whether or not such plan is subject to Title I of ERISA, including, without limitation, foreign, church and governmental plans, (B) a “plan” described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “**Code**”) or (C) an entity whose underlying assets would be deemed to include “plan assets” of either of the foregoing by reason of the investment by an employee benefit plan or other plan in the entity within the meaning of 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 or otherwise (the plans and persons described in clauses (A), (B) and (C) being referred to as “**Benefit Plan Investors**”). For purposes of making this determination, foreign benefit plans, government or church plans,

Keoghs and individual retirement accounts (“IRAs”) are typically considered Benefit Plan Investors. Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ (Please check either yes or no).

If yes, such funds are assets of an employee benefit plan subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA or a plan described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code and subject to Section 4975 of the Code, or a foreign plan, “governmental plan,” or “church plan” subject to foreign, federal, state or local laws, rules or regulations that are substantially similar to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ (Please check either yes or no).

The purchaser is not the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager or any other person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer, or any “affiliate” (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3 101(f)(3)) of any such person (any such person, a “Controlling Person”). Please place a check in the following space if the foregoing statement is NOT accurate:

\_\_\_\_\_.

If the purchaser is an insurance company investing through its general account as defined in PTCE 95-60, for so long as it holds the Preference Shares, no more than \_\_\_\_\_ % of the assets of such insurance company general account could be treated, for so long as it holds the Preference Shares, as plan assets for purposes of calculating the 25% threshold under the significant participation test (29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)). (Please provide percentage, if applicable).

The purchaser understands and acknowledges that the Share Registrar will not register any purchase or transfer of Preference Shares to (i) a proposed purchaser or transferee that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person if, after giving effect to such proposed transfer, persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors would own 25% or more of the Outstanding Preference Shares; or (ii) a purchaser or transferee that wishes to take delivery in the form of a Regulation S Global Preference Share that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person, assuming for this purpose that all deemed representations are true. For purposes of the determination described in clause (i) of the preceding sentence, Preference Shares held by the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, any of their respective affiliates (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3 101(f)(3)) and any other persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as Outstanding.

The purchaser’s acquisition, holding and disposition of the Preference Shares will not result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law), unless an exemption is available, all conditions of which have been satisfied.

The purchaser further acknowledges and agrees that the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement will entitle the Issuer to require the purchaser to dispose of the Preference

Shares as soon as practicable following notification by the Issuer of any change in the information supplied in this clause (11).

The purchaser understands that the representations made in this clause (11) will be deemed made on each day from the date hereof through and including the date on which the purchaser disposes of its interests in the Preference Shares.

The purchaser agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Co-Issuers, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Placement Agent and the Portfolio Manager and their respective affiliates from any cost, damage, or loss incurred by them as a result of a breach of the representation in this Clause (11).

The purchaser agrees that it will not sell, pledge or otherwise transfer any Preference Shares in violation of the foregoing.

12. The purchaser will provide notice to each Person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Preference Shares of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Preference Share Documents, including the exhibits referenced in the Preference Share Documents.

13. The purchaser understands that the Preference Share Documents permit the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Preference Shares who is a U.S. Person and who is determined not to have been both (x) either a Qualified Institutional Buyer or Accredited Investor and (y) either (i) a Qualified Purchaser, (ii) a Knowledgeable Employee or (iii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees at the time of acquisition of the Preference Shares to sell such Preference Shares, or to sell such Preference Shares on behalf of such purchaser, to a person that is both (x) either a Qualified Institutional Buyer or Accredited Investor and (y) either (i) a Qualified Purchaser, (ii) a Knowledgeable Employee or (iii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act or to a person that is a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S. The purchaser also understands that any transfer to an Accredited Investor may require delivery of an opinion of counsel evidencing that such transfer may be made pursuant to an exemption from registration under the Securities Act, as described in the Preference Share Documents.

14. The purchaser, if not a U.S. Person, either (i) is not a bank (within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code) or an affiliate of a bank or (ii) is a person (or a wholly owned affiliate of a person) that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States.

15. The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Preference Shares or possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum with respect thereto or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Preference Shares in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the Offering Memorandum relating to the Preference

Shares shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Preference Shares in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

16. The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Preference Shares, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase the beneficial interest in the Preference Shares from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its beneficial interest in the Preference Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

17. The purchaser understands that the scheduled redemption date of the Preference Shares is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of the Preference Shares at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Portfolio Manager, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

18. The purchaser understands that in the case of any vote to remove the Portfolio Manager, the Management Agreement permits the Portfolio Manager to purchase the beneficial interest in the Preference Shares from any Holder of Preference Shares that voted to remove the Portfolio Manager at the applicable Buy-Out Amount; and such Holder of Preference Shares will be required to sell its beneficial interest in the Preference Shares to the Portfolio Manager at such price.

19. The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Preference Shares by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

20. The purchaser agrees to treat the Preference Shares as equity of the Issuer for U.S. federal, state and local income tax purposes, if applicable.

21. To the extent required by the Issuer, as determined by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Preference Shares to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the U.S. Patriot Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Preference Share to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

22. The purchaser agrees to not cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

23. The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

24. The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments,

representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Preference Shares or any beneficial interest therein are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and the Initial Purchaser. If the purchaser is acquiring any Preference Shares or any beneficial interest therein as a fiduciary or agent for one or more institutional accounts, it represents that it has sole investment discretion with respect to each such account and it has full power to make the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements on behalf of such account.

THIS LETTER SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the undersigned has executed this Preference Share Transferee Certificate on the date set forth below.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 200\_\_

**Number of Preference Shares subscribed for (at a purchase price of U.S.\$1,000 per share):**

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**Aggregate purchase price of the Preference Shares subscribed for:**

U.S.\$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Purchaser

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Authorized Signatory

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Authorized Signatory

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Title of Authorized Signatory

**Please remember to give the Preference Shares Paying Agent the proper U.S. federal income tax certifications or else the Preference Shares Paying Agent may have to withhold part of any payment due and payable to you.**

(1) the name and address of the registered Holder of the Preference Shares is:

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- (2) the wire/payment instructions for the registered Holder of the Preference Shares are:

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## **EXHIBIT JJ**



### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Attached is an electronic copy of the Offering Memorandum (the “Offering Memorandum”), dated December 7, 2005, relating to the contemplated offering by (i) Liberty CLO, Ltd. (the “Issuer”) and Liberty CLO, Corp. (the “Co-Issuer” and, together with the Issuer, the “Co-Issuers”) of Class A-1A Revolving Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes, Class A-1B Delayed Drawdown Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes, Class A-1C Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes, Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes, Class A-3 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes, Class A-4 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes, Class B Floating Rate Deferrable Senior Secured Extendable Notes and Class C Floating Rate Deferrable Senior Secured Extendable Notes and (ii) the Issuer of Class Q-1 Combination Extendable Securities, Class P-1 Extendable Securities, Class P-2 Extendable Securities and Class E Certificates.

No registration statement relating to these securities has been or will be filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. These securities will be offered pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended. This Offering Memorandum does not constitute an offer to sell these securities or a solicitation of an offer to buy these securities, nor will there be any sale of these securities in any jurisdiction where such offer, solicitation or sale is not permitted.

Distribution of this electronic transmission of the Offering Memorandum to any person other than (a) the person receiving this electronic transmission from the initial purchaser and/or placement agent on behalf of the Issuer or the Co-Issuers and (b) any person retained to advise the person receiving this electronic transmission with respect to the offering contemplated by this Offering Memorandum (each, an “Authorized Recipient”) is unauthorized, provided that each recipient of this electronic transmission from the initial purchaser and/or placement agent (and each employee, representative, or other agent of the recipient) may disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the U.S. federal income tax treatment and tax structure of the transaction and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to the recipient relating to such tax treatment and tax structure. Except as provided in the preceding sentence, any photocopying, disclosure or alteration of the contents of this Offering Memorandum, and any forwarding of a copy of this Offering Memorandum or any portion thereof by electronic mail or any other means to any person other than an Authorized Recipient, is prohibited.

By accepting delivery of this Offering Memorandum, each recipient hereof agrees to the foregoing.

**Offering Memorandum**

# LIBERTY CLO, LTD. LIBERTY CLO, CORP.

U.S.\$50,000,000 Class A-1A Revolving Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes  
U.S.\$50,000,000 Class A-1B Delayed Drawdown Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes  
U.S.\$446,000,000 Class A-1C Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes  
U.S.\$68,500,000 Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes  
U.S.\$68,500,000 Class A-3 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes  
U.S.\$43,000,000 Class A-4 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes  
U.S.\$49,000,000 Class B Floating Rate Deferrable Senior Secured Extendable Notes  
U.S.\$52,000,000 Class C Floating Rate Deferrable Senior Secured Extendable Notes  
94,000 Class E Certificates

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U.S.\$20,000,000 Class P-1 Extendable Securities\*  
U.S.\$5,000,000 Class P-2 Extendable Securities\*

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U.S.\$20,000,000 Class Q-1 Combination Extendable Securities\*\*

\*The Class P-1 Securities consist of the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component representing 6,180 Class E Certificates and the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component representing U.S.\$20,000,000 (face value) U.S. Treasury securities with zero coupon due November 15, 2013. The Class P-2 Securities consist of the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component representing 1,500 Class E Certificates and the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component representing U.S.\$5,000,000 (face value) U.S. Treasury securities with zero coupon due November 15, 2013. The 6,180 Class E Certificates to which the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component relates and the 1,500 Class E Certificates to which the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component relates are included in (and are not in addition to) the aggregate 94,000 Class E Certificates.

\*\*The Class Q-1 Securities consist of the Class Q-1 Note Component representing U.S.\$12,600,000 aggregate principal amount of Class C Notes and the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component representing 7,400 Class E Certificates. The 7,400 Class E Certificates and the U.S.\$12,600,000 aggregate principal amount of Class C Notes to which the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component and the Class Q-1 Note Component, respectively, relate are included in (and are not in addition to) the aggregate 94,000 Class E Certificates and the U.S.\$52,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Class C Notes.

Liberty CLO, Ltd. (the “**Issuer**”) and Liberty CLO, Corp. (the “**Co-Issuer**” and, together with the Issuer, the “**Co-Issuers**”) will issue (i) the Class A-1A Revolving Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the “**Class A-1A Notes**”), the Class A-1B Delayed Drawdown Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the “**Class A-1B Notes**”), the Class A-1C Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the “**Class A-1C Notes**,” and together with the Class A-1A Notes and the Class A-1B Notes, the “**Class A-1 Notes**”) the Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the “**Class A-2 Notes**”), the Class A-3 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the “**Class A-3 Notes**”), the Class A-4 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the “**Class A-4 Notes**” and together with the Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes, the “**Class A Notes**”), the Class B Floating Rate Deferrable Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the “**Class B Notes**”) and the Class C Floating Rate Deferrable Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the “**Class C Notes**”, and, together with the Class A Notes, and the Class B Notes, the “**Notes**”) and (ii) the Issuer will issue the Class E Certificates, U.S. \$0.01 par value per certificate, (the “**Class E Certificates**”), the Class Q-1 Combination Extendable Securities (the “**Class Q-1 Securities**”), the Class P-1 Extendable Securities (the “**Class P-1 Securities**”) and the Class P-2 Extendable Securities (the “**Class P-2 Securities**”) and together with the Class P-1 Securities, the “**Class P Securities**” and, the Class P Securities together with the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities, the “**Indenture Securities**” and the Indenture Securities together with the Class E Certificates, the “**Securities**”), in each case in the aggregate principal amounts or number as described above. The Class Q-1 Securities represent Class C Notes and Class E Certificates as described herein. The Class P Securities represent Class E Certificates and certain U.S. Treasury securities as described herein. The Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities will be issued on or about December 8, 2005 (the “**Closing Date**”) pursuant to an Indenture (the “**Indenture**”), among the Co-Issuers and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as Trustee (the “**Trustee**”). The Class E Certificates will be issued on or about the Closing Date pursuant to and subject to the terms of the Class E Certificate Documents. The Stated Maturity of the Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities and the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date of the Class E Certificates are subject to multiple extensions to the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (in the case of the Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities) and the applicable Extended Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date (in the case of the Class E Certificates), if the Issuer provides timely notice and the Extension Conditions are satisfied as described herein.

The net proceeds of the offering of the Securities will be applied by the Issuer to repurchase participation interests in certain Collateral Obligations sold to finance the purchase of such Collateral Obligations prior to the Closing Date and to purchase additional Collateral Obligations on and after the Closing Date, all of which will be pledged under the Indenture by the Issuer to the Trustee for the benefit of the applicable secured parties named therein and to purchase the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component and the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component. See “Use of Proceeds.” Highland Capital Management, L.P. will serve as portfolio manager for the Issuer’s portfolio.

The Securities will be sold at varying prices as may be negotiated at the time of sale.

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**Investing in the Securities involves risks. See “Risk Factors” beginning on page 33.**

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## Citigroup

The date of this Offering Memorandum is December 7, 2005

Application will be made to list the Notes on the Irish Stock Exchange and application has been made to list the Class Q-1 Securities, the Class P Securities and the Class E Certificates on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange. There can be no assurance that any such listing will be obtained. The issuance and settlement of the Notes on the Closing Date will not be conditioned on the listing of the Notes on the Irish Stock Exchange. The issuance and settlement of the Class Q-1 Securities, the Class P Securities and the Class E Certificates on the Closing Date will not be conditioned on the listing of such Securities on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange.

It is a condition of the issuance of the Securities that (i) the Class A-1A Notes be rated “Aaa” by Moody’s Investors Service, Inc. (“**Moody’s**”) and “AAA” by Standard & Poor’s, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. (“**S&P**” and, together with Moody’s, the “**Rating Agencies**”), (ii) the Class A-1B Notes be rated “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P, (iii) the Class A-1C Notes be rated “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P, (iv) the Class A-2 Notes be rated “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P, (v) the Class A-3 Notes be rated at least “Aa1” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P, (vi) the Class A-4 Notes be rated at least “Aa2” by Moody’s and at least “AA” by S&P, (vii) the Class B Notes be rated at least “A2” by Moody’s and at least “A” by S&P and (viii) the Class C Notes be rated at least “Baa2” by Moody’s and at least “BBB” by S&P. Each of the above ratings assumes that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date. In addition, it is a condition to the issuance of the Securities that (i) the Class Q-1 Securities be rated at least “Baa2” by Moody’s, (ii) the Class P-1 Securities be rated Aaa by Moody’s and (iii) the Class P-2 Securities be rated Aaa by Moody’s, in each case subject to the respective limitations on such ratings described herein. A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning Rating Agency. The Class E Certificates will not be rated by any credit rating agency.

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN, AND WILL NOT BE, REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “**SECURITIES ACT**”) AND NEITHER THE ISSUER NOR THE CO-ISSUER WILL BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**”). THE SECURITIES WILL BE OFFERED AND SOLD TO NON-U.S. PERSONS (AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT (“**REGULATION S**”)) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN RELIANCE ON REGULATION S. THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, U.S. PERSONS EXCEPT TO PERSONS THAT ARE (A) “QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYERS” AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT (“**RULE 144A**”) (EACH A “**QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER**”) WHICH ARE ALSO “QUALIFIED PURCHASERS” FOR PURPOSES OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT (EACH, A “**QUALIFIED PURCHASER**” OR (B) SOLELY IN THE CASE OF THE CLASS E CERTIFICATES, QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYERS OR “ACCREDITED INVESTORS” AS DEFINED IN RULE 501(a) OF REGULATION D UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT (EACH, AN “**ACCREDITED INVESTOR**”) IN RELIANCE ON THE EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS PROVIDED BY SECTION 4(2) OF THE SECURITIES ACT, WHICH ARE ALSO QUALIFIED PURCHASERS OR KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEES AS DEFINED IN RULE 3c-5 UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT (EACH, A “**KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEE**”), AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANY OTHER APPLICABLE LAW.

THE SECURITIES ARE NOT TRANSFERABLE EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS IN THE INDENTURE AND CLASS E CERTIFICATE DOCUMENTS AS DESCRIBED UNDER “TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS.”

Citigroup Global Markets Inc., as Initial Purchaser of the Notes (other than the Class A-1A Notes and the Class A-1B Notes), the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities and Placement Agent for the Class E Certificates, expects to deliver such Securities to purchasers on or about the Closing Date.

Payment of interest on, and principal of, the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities will be made by the Issuer in U.S. Dollars, in each case to the extent of available cash flow in accordance with the Priority of Payments, on the first day of each February, May, August and November of each year (or if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day) (each such date a “**Payment Date**”); *provided* that the first Payment Date will be March 3, 2006 and the second Payment Date will be May 2, 2006. Each Class of Notes (including the Class Q-1 Note Component) will bear interest at the per annum rates set forth under “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.” The Class E Certificates (including the Class E Certificate Components) will receive as dividends certain amounts available for distribution to the Holders of the Class E Certificates in accordance with the Priority of Payments. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

The Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities to the extent of their Class Q-1 Note Component will be subject to Optional Redemption in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period, in each case at the direction of the Holders of at least a Majority of the Class E Certificates. The Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities to the extent of their Class Q-1 Note Component will be subject to mandatory redemption on a Payment Date, to the extent that any of the applicable Coverage Tests are not satisfied, as described herein. The Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities to the extent of their Class Q-1 Note Component will be subject to Special Redemption, at the discretion of the Portfolio Manager, to the extent that at any time during the Reinvestment Period, the Portfolio Manager cannot identify satisfactory Collateral Obligations for investment of Collection Account funds. After redemption in full of the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities to the extent of their Class Q-1 Note Component but before the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date, the Class E Certificates including the Class E Certificate Components will be subject to Optional Redemption in whole or in part on any Payment Date by the Issuer at the direction of the Holders of the requisite percentage of the Class E Certificates at the applicable Redemption Price pursuant to the Class E Certificate Documents, to the extent legally permitted. See “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption,” “—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes,” “—Special Redemption of Notes If the Portfolio Manager Does Not Identify Investments as Contemplated by the Indenture” and “—Priority of Payments.” The principal amount of the Notes will be payable at the Stated Maturity unless redeemed or paid in full prior thereto. The Class E Certificates are scheduled to be redeemed at their Redemption Price on the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date, unless redeemed prior thereto.

Certain pledged assets of the Issuer are the sole source of payments on the Securities. The Securities do not represent an interest in or obligations of, and are not insured or guaranteed by, the Holders of the Class E Certificates, the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, any paying agent, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, any Hedge Counterparty or any of their respective Affiliates.

## **NOTICES TO PURCHASERS**

### **NOTICE TO NEW HAMPSHIRE RESIDENTS**

NEITHER THE FACT THAT A REGISTRATION STATEMENT OR AN APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE HAS BEEN FILED UNDER CHAPTER 421-B OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE UNIFORM SECURITIES ACT, AS AMENDED, WITH THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE NOR THE FACT THAT A SECURITY IS EFFECTIVELY REGISTERED OR A PERSON IS LICENSED IN THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CONSTITUTES A FINDING BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE THAT ANY DOCUMENT FILED UNDER RSA 421-B OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE UNIFORM SECURITIES ACT IS TRUE, COMPLETE AND NOT MISLEADING. NEITHER ANY SUCH FACT NOR THE FACT THAT AN EXEMPTION OR EXCEPTION IS AVAILABLE FOR A SECURITY OR A TRANSACTION MEANS THAT THE SECRETARY OF STATE HAS PASSED IN ANY WAY UPON THE MERITS OR QUALIFICATIONS OF, OR RECOMMENDED OR GIVEN APPROVAL TO, ANY PERSON, SECURITY OR TRANSACTION. IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE, OR CAUSE TO BE MADE, TO ANY PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER, CUSTOMER, OR CLIENT ANY REPRESENTATION INCONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PARAGRAPH.

### **NOTICE TO FLORIDA RESIDENTS**

THE SECURITIES ARE OFFERED PURSUANT TO A CLAIM OF EXEMPTION UNDER SECTION 517.061 OF THE FLORIDA SECURITIES ACT (THE "FLORIDA ACT") AND HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE FLORIDA ACT IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA. FLORIDA RESIDENTS WHO ARE NOT "INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS" DESCRIBED IN SECTION 517.061(7) OF THE FLORIDA ACT HAVE THE RIGHT TO VOID THEIR PURCHASES OF THE SECURITIES WITHOUT PENALTY WITHIN THREE DAYS AFTER THE FIRST TENDER OF CONSIDERATION.

### **NOTICE TO GEORGIA RESIDENTS**

THE SECURITIES HAVE BEEN ISSUED OR SOLD IN RELIANCE ON CODE SECTIONS 10-5-7 AND 10-5-9 OF THE GEORGIA SECURITIES ACT OF 1973, AND MAY NOT BE SOLD OR TRANSFERRED EXCEPT IN A TRANSACTION WHICH IS EXEMPT UNDER SUCH ACT OR PURSUANT TO AN EFFECTIVE REGISTRATION UNDER SUCH ACT.

### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM**

This document is only being distributed to and is only directed at (i) persons who are outside the United Kingdom or (ii) to investment professionals falling within Article 19(5) of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Financial Promotion) Order 2005 (the "Order") or (iii) high net worth entities, and other persons to whom it may lawfully be communicated, falling within Article 49(2)(a) to (d) of the Order (all such persons together being referred to as "relevant persons"). The Securities are only available to, and any invitation, offer or agreement to subscribe, purchase or otherwise acquire such Securities will be engaged in only with, relevant persons. Any person who is not a relevant person should not act or rely on this document or any of its contents.

EACH OF THE INITIAL PURCHASER AND PLACEMENT AGENT HAS REPRESENTED AND AGREED THAT: (A) IT HAS ONLY COMMUNICATED OR CAUSED TO BE COMMUNICATED AND WILL ONLY COMMUNICATE OR CAUSE TO BE COMMUNICATED AN INVITATION OR INDUCEMENT TO ENGAGE IN INVESTMENT ACTIVITY (WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 21 OF THE FINANCIAL SERVICES AND MARKETS ACT 2000 ("FSMA" )) RECEIVED BY IT IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUE OR SALE OF THE SECURITIES IN CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH SECTION 21(1) OF THE FSMA WOULD

NOT, IF THE ISSUER WAS NOT AN AUTHORISED PERSON, APPLY TO THE ISSUER; AND (B) IT HAS COMPLIED AND WILL COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE FSMA WITH RESPECT TO ANYTHING DONE BY IT IN RELATION TO THE SECURITIES IN, FROM OR OTHERWISE INVOLVING THE UNITED KINGDOM.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF FRANCE**

NO PROSPECTUS (INCLUDING ANY AMENDMENT, SUPPLEMENT OR REPLACEMENT THERETO) HAS BEEN PREPARED IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES THAT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE AUTORITÉ DES MARCHÉS FINANCIERS OR BY THE COMPETENT AUTHORITY OF ANOTHER STATE THAT IS A CONTRACTING PARTY TO THE AGREEMENT ON THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AREA AND NOTIFIED TO THE AUTORITÉ DES MARCHÉS FINANCIERS; NO SECURITIES HAVE BEEN OFFERED OR SOLD NOR WILL BE OFFERED OR SOLD, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, TO THE PUBLIC IN FRANCE EXCEPT TO PERMITTED INVESTORS (“PERMITTED INVESTORS”) CONSISTING OF PERSONS LICENSED TO PROVIDE THE INVESTMENT SERVICE OF PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT FOR THE ACCOUNT OF THIRD PARTIES, QUALIFIED INVESTORS (INVESTISSEURS QUALIFIÉS) ACTING FOR THEIR OWN ACCOUNT AND/OR INVESTORS BELONGING TO A LIMITED CIRCLE OF INVESTORS (CERCLE RESTREINT D’INVESTISSEURS) ACTING FOR THEIR OWN ACCOUNT, ALL AS DEFINED AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLES L.411-2, D.411-1, D.411-2, D.734-1, D.744-1, D.754-1 AND D.764-1 OF THE FRENCH CODE MONÉTAIRE ET FINANCIER; NONE OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY OTHER MATERIALS RELATED TO THE OFFERING OR INFORMATION CONTAINED THEREIN RELATING TO THE SECURITIES HAS BEEN RELEASED, ISSUED OR DISTRIBUTED TO THE PUBLIC IN FRANCE EXCEPT TO PERMITTED INVESTORS; AND THE DIRECT OR INDIRECT RESALE TO THE PUBLIC IN FRANCE OF ANY SECURITIES ACQUIRED BY ANY PERMITTED INVESTORS MAY BE MADE ONLY AS PROVIDED BY ARTICLES L. 411-1, L. 411-2, L. 412-1 AND L. 621-8 TO L. 621-8-3 OF THE FRENCH CODE MONÉTAIRE ET FINANCIER AND APPLICABLE REGULATIONS THEREUNDER.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF GERMANY**

THE SECURITIES MAY ONLY BE ACQUIRED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GERMAN SECURITIES PROSPECTUS ACT (WERTPAPIERPROSPEKTGESETZ, THE “SECURITIES PROSPECTUS ACT”) AND THE GERMAN INVESTMENT ACT (INVESTMENTGESETZ, THE “INVESTMENT ACT”) AS THE CASE MAY BE. THE SECURITIES ARE NOT REGISTERED OR AUTHORIZED FOR DISTRIBUTION UNDER THE INVESTMENT ACT OR THE SECURITIES PROSPECTUS ACT AND ACCORDINGLY MAY NOT BE, AND ARE NOT BEING, OFFERED OR ADVERTISED PUBLICLY OR OFFERED SIMILARLY UNDER THE INVESTMENT ACT OR THE SECURITIES PROSPECTUS ACT. THEREFORE, THIS OFFER IS ONLY BEING MADE TO RECIPIENTS TO WHOM THIS DOCUMENT IS PERSONALLY ADDRESSED AND DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER OR ADVERTISEMENT TO THE PUBLIC. **ALL PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS ARE URGED TO SEEK TAX ADVICE REGARDING THE TAX TREATMENT OF THE SECURITIES PURSUANT TO GERMAN AND OTHER APPLICABLE LAW BY THEIR TAX ADVISOR. THE INITIAL PURCHASER AND THE PLACEMENT AGENT DO NOT GIVE TAX ADVICE.**

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF JAPAN**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE LAW OF JAPAN (THE “SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE LAW”) AND EACH OF THE INITIAL PURCHASER AND THE PLACEMENT AGENT HAS AGREED THAT IT WILL NOT OFFER OR SELL ANY SECURITIES, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN JAPAN OR TO, OR FOR THE BENEFIT OF, ANY RESIDENT OF JAPAN (WHICH TERM AS USED HEREIN MEANS ANY PERSON RESIDENT IN JAPAN, INCLUDING ANY CORPORATION OR OTHER ENTITY ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF JAPAN) OR TO OTHERS FOR RE-OFFERING OR RESALE, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN JAPAN OR TO A RESIDENT OF JAPAN AND THAT THEREAFTER IT WILL NOT OFFER OR SELL SUCH SECURITIES IN JAPAN OR TO A RESIDENT OF JAPAN EXCEPT PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM

THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF, AND OTHERWISE IN COMPLIANCE WITH, THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE LAW AND ANY RELEVANT LAWS, REGULATIONS AND MINISTERIAL GUIDELINES OF JAPAN.

#### **NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC IN THE CAYMAN ISLANDS**

NO INVITATION, WHETHER DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, MAY BE MADE TO THE PUBLIC IN THE CAYMAN ISLANDS TO SUBSCRIBE FOR THE SECURITIES. SECTION 194 OF THE COMPANIES LAW (2004 REVISION) OF THE CAYMAN ISLANDS PROVIDES THAT AN EXEMPTED COMPANY (SUCH AS THE ISSUER) THAT IS NOT LISTED ON THE CAYMAN ISLANDS STOCK EXCHANGE IS PROHIBITED FROM MAKING ANY INVITATION TO THE PUBLIC IN THE CAYMAN ISLANDS TO SUBSCRIBE FOR ANY OF ITS SECURITIES. EACH PURCHASER OF THE SECURITIES AGREES THAT NO INVITATION MAY BE MADE TO THE PUBLIC IN THE CAYMAN ISLANDS TO SUBSCRIBE FOR THE SECURITIES.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF AUSTRIA**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS CIRCULATED IN AUSTRIA FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING INFORMATION ABOUT THE SECURITIES TO A LIMITED NUMBER OF SOPHISTICATED INVESTORS IN AUSTRIA. THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS MADE AVAILABLE ON THE CONDITION THAT IT IS SOLELY FOR THE USE OF THE RECIPIENT AS A SOPHISTICATED, POTENTIAL AND INDIVIDUALLY SELECTED INVESTOR AND MAY NOT BE PASSED ON TO ANY OTHER PERSON OR REPRODUCED IN WHOLE OR IN PART. THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A PUBLIC OFFER (ÖFFENTLICHES ANGEBOT) IN AUSTRIA AND MAY NOT BE USED IN CONJUNCTION WITH A PUBLIC OFFERING PURSUANT TO THE CAPITAL MARKET ACT (KAPITALMARKTGESETZ) AND/OR THE INVESTMENT FUND ACT (INVESTMENTFONDSGESETZ) IN AUSTRIA. CONSEQUENTLY, NO PUBLIC OFFERS OR PUBLIC SALES MUST BE MADE IN AUSTRIA IN RESPECT OF THE SECURITIES. THE SECURITIES ARE NOT REGISTERED IN AUSTRIA. IN CASE THE SECURITIES ARE QUALIFIED AS SHARES IN A FOREIGN INVESTMENT FUND WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE INVESTMENT FUND ACT, THEY MIGHT BE SUBJECT TO A LESS FAVOURABLE TAX TREATMENT THAN SHARES IN INVESTMENT FUNDS ESTABLISHED IN AUSTRIA UNDER THE INVESTMENT FUND ACT. ALL PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS ARE URGED TO SEEK INDEPENDENT TAX ADVICE. THE INITIAL PURCHASER AND THE PLACEMENT AGENT AND THEIR RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES DO NOT GIVE TAX ADVICE.

#### **ANMERKUNG FÜR EINWOHNER VON ÖSTERREICH**

DIESER PROSPEKT WIRD IN ÖSTERREICH NUR ZU DEM ZWECK HERAUSGEGEBEN, UM EINER BESCHRÄNKTEN ANZAHL VON PROFESSIONELLEN MARKTTILNEHMERN IN ÖSTERREICH INFORMATIONEN ÜBER DIE ANGEBOTENEN WERTPAPIERE ZU GEBEN. DIESER PROSPEKT WIRD UNTER DER BEDINGUNG ZUR VERFÜGUNG GESTELLT, DASS DIESER PROSPEKT AUSSCHLIESSLICH VOM EMPFÄNGER ALS EINEM PROFESSIONELLEN POTENTIELLEN UND EINZELN AUSGEWÄHLTEN ANLEGER VERWENDET WIRD UND ER DARF NICHT AN EINE ANDERE PERSON WEITERGELEITET ODER TEILWEISE ODER VOLLSTÄNDIG REPRODUZIERT WERDEN. DIESER PROSPEKT STELLT KEIN ÖFFENTLICHES ANGEBOT IN ÖSTERREICH DAR UND DARF NICHT IN ZUSAMMENHANG MIT EINEM ÖFFENTLICHEN ANGEBOT IN ÖSTERREICH IM SINNE DES KAPITALMARKTGESETZES UND/ODER DES INVESTMENTFONDSGESETZES VERWENDET WERDEN. FOLGLICH DÜRFEN IN ÖSTERREICH KEINE ÖFFENTLICHEN ANGEBOTE ODER VERKÄUFE DER ANGEBOTENEN WERTPAPIERE DURCHGEFÜHRT WERDEN. DIE WERTPAPIERE SIND NICHT IN ÖSTERREICH ZUGELASSEN. SOLLTEN DIE WERTPAPIERE ALS ANTEILE AN EINEM AUSLÄNDISCHEN INVESTMENTFONDS QUALIFIZIERT WERDEN, KÖNNTEN SIE EINER UNGÜNSTIGEREN BESTEUERUNG ALS ANTEILE AN IN ÖSTERREICH GEMÄSS DEM INVESTMENTFONDSGESETZ ERRICHTETEN INVESTMENTFONDS UNTERLIEGEN. ALLE KÜNFTIGEN ANLEGER WERDEN DAHER AUFGEFORDERT, UNABHÄNGIGE STEUERBERATUNG EINZUHOLEN.

DER ERSTKÄUFER UND DIE MIT IHM VERBUNDENEN UNTERNEHMEN ERTEILEN KEINE STEUERLICHE BERATUNG.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF AUSTRALIA**

ANY OFFER OF SECURITIES, INVITATION TO SUBSCRIBE FOR SECURITIES OR ISSUE OF THE SECURITIES IN AUSTRALIA THAT IS REGULATED BY THE CORPORATIONS LAW MUST CONSTITUTE AN EXCLUDED OFFER, EXCLUDED INVITATION, OR EXCLUDED ISSUE WITHIN THE MEANING GIVEN TO THOSE EXPRESSIONS IN THE CORPORATIONS LAW.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF SPAIN**

NEITHER THE SECURITIES NOR THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAVE BEEN APPROVED OR REGISTERED IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE REGISTRIES OF THE SPANISH SECURITIES MARKETS COMMISSION (COMISIÓN NACIONAL DEL MERCADO DE VALORES). ACCORDINGLY, THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED IN SPAIN EXCEPT IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH DO NOT CONSTITUTE A PUBLIC OFFER OF SECURITIES IN SPAIN WITHIN THE MEANING OF ARTICLE 30BIS OF THE SPANISH SECURITIES MARKET LAW OF 28 JULY 1988 (LEY 24/1988, DE 28 DE JULIO, DEL MERCADO DE VALORES), AS AMENDED AND RESTATED, AND SUPPLEMENTAL RULES ENACTED THEREUNDER.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF SINGAPORE**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED AS A PROSPECTUS WITH THE MONETARY AUTHORITY OF SINGAPORE. ACCORDINGLY, THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY OTHER DOCUMENT OR MATERIAL IN CONNECTION WITH ANY OFFER OF THE SECURITIES OFFERED HEREBY MAY NOT BE ISSUED, CIRCULATED OR DISTRIBUTED IN SINGAPORE. THE OFFER OF SECURITIES OFFERED HEREBY OR ANY INVITATION TO SUBSCRIBE FOR OR PURCHASE ANY SUCH SECURITIES (OR ANY ONE OF THEM) MAY NOT BE MADE, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN SINGAPORE, OTHER THAN UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH SUCH OFFER OR SALE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER OR SALE OF THE SECURITIES OFFERED HEREBY TO THE PUBLIC IN SINGAPORE, OR IN WHICH SUCH OFFER OR SALE IS MADE PURSUANT TO SUITABLE EXEMPTIONS APPLICABLE THERETO (SUCH AS BUT NOT LIMITED TO SECTION 274 OR SECTION 275 OF THE SECURITIES AND FUTURES ACT (CHAPTER 289) OF SINGAPORE). NO PERSON WHO RECEIVES A COPY OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM UNDER SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES MAY ISSUE, CIRCULATE OR DISTRIBUTE THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IN SINGAPORE OR MAKE, OR GIVE TO ANY OTHER PERSON, A COPY OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF KOREA**

THE ISSUER IS NOT MAKING ANY REPRESENTATIONS, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, WITH RESPECT TO THE QUALIFICATION OF THE RECIPIENTS OF THESE MATERIALS FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE SECURITIES UNDER THE LAWS OF KOREA, INCLUDING AND WITHOUT LIMITATION THE FOREIGN EXCHANGE MANAGEMENT LAW AND REGULATIONS THEREUNDER. THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE LAW OF KOREA AND NONE OF THE SECURITIES MAY BE OFFERED OR SOLD OR DELIVERED, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN KOREA OR TO ANY RESIDENT OF KOREA EXCEPT PURSUANT TO APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS OF KOREA.

#### **STABILIZATION**

IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUE OF THE SECURITIES, THE INITIAL PURCHASER AND THE PLACEMENT AGENT (THE "STABILIZING MANAGERS") (OR PERSONS ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE STABILIZING MANAGERS) MAY OVER-ALLOT SECURITIES; PROVIDED THAT THE AGGREGATE



PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF THE SECURITIES ALLOTTED DOES NOT EXCEED 105% OF THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF THE SECURITIES, OR EFFECT TRANSACTIONS WITH A VIEW TO SUPPORTING THE MARKET PRICE OF THE SECURITIES AT A LEVEL HIGHER THAN THAT WHICH MIGHT OTHERWISE PREVAIL. HOWEVER, THERE IS NO ASSURANCE THAT THE STABILIZING MANAGERS (OR PERSONS ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE STABILIZING MANAGERS) WILL UNDERTAKE STABILIZATION ACTIONS. ANY STABILIZATION ACTION MAY BEGIN ON OR AFTER THE DATE ON WHICH ADEQUATE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF THE FINAL TERMS OF THE OFFER OF THE SECURITIES IS MADE AND, IF BEGUN, MAY BE ENDED AT ANY TIME, BUT IT MUST END NO LATER THAN THE EARLIER OF 30 DAYS AFTER THE ISSUE DATE OF THE SECURITIES AND 60 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF THE ALLOTMENT OF THE SECURITIES.

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY OTHER RELEVANT JURISDICTION AND MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED UNLESS AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND APPLICABLE STATE SECURITIES LAWS AND THE LAWS OF ANY OTHER RELEVANT JURISDICTION IS AVAILABLE. EACH PURCHASER OF THE NOTES (OTHER THAN THE CLASS A-1A NOTES AND THE CLASS A-1B NOTES) AND OF CLASS Q-1 SECURITIES, CLASS P-1 SECURITIES, CLASS P-2 SECURITIES AND CLASS E CERTIFICATES REPRESENTED BY GLOBAL SECURITIES WILL BE DEEMED TO MAKE AND EACH PURCHASER OF CLASS A-1A NOTES, CLASS A-1B NOTES, CERTIFICATED CLASS E CERTIFICATES, CERTIFICATED CLASS Q-1 SECURITIES, CERTIFICATED CLASS P-1 SECURITIES AND CERTIFICATED CLASS P-2 SECURITIES WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE APPROPRIATE PURCHASER REPRESENTATIONS AS DESCRIBED UNDER “*TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS*.” IN ADDITION, THE SECURITIES WILL BEAR RESTRICTIVE LEGENDS AND WILL BE SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFER AS DESCRIBED HEREIN, INCLUDING THE REQUIREMENT THAT TRANSFERORS OR TRANSFEREES OF SUCH SECURITIES BE DEEMED TO MAKE CERTAIN REPRESENTATIONS OR IN CERTAIN CASES FURNISH REPRESENTATION LETTERS, IN THE FORMS PRESCRIBED BY THE INDENTURE. ANY RESALE OR OTHER TRANSFER, OR ATTEMPTED RESALE OR ATTEMPTED OTHER TRANSFER, OF SECURITIES THAT IS NOT MADE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE APPLICABLE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS WILL BE TREATED BY THE ISSUER AND THE TRUSTEE AS NULL AND VOID *AB INITIO*. SEE “*TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS*.”

THE NOTES WILL BE LIMITED RECOURSE DEBT OBLIGATIONS OF THE ISSUER AND NON-RECOURSE DEBT OBLIGATIONS OF THE CO-ISSUER. THE CLASS E CERTIFICATES CONSTITUTE PREFERRED EQUITY INTERESTS IN THE ISSUER. THE CLASS Q-1 SECURITIES AND THE CLASS P SECURITIES WILL BE LIMITED RECOURSE DEBT OBLIGATIONS OF THE ISSUER (EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT OF THEIR CLASS E CERTIFICATE COMPONENTS). PAYMENTS ON THE SECURITIES WILL BE MADE SOLELY FROM AND TO THE EXTENT OF THE AVAILABLE PROCEEDS OF THE COLLATERAL, WHICH WILL BE THE ONLY SOURCE OF PAYMENTS ON THE SECURITIES. THE SECURITIES DO NOT REPRESENT AN INTEREST IN OR OBLIGATIONS OF, AND ARE NOT INSURED OR GUARANTEED BY, THE INITIAL PURCHASER, THE PLACEMENT AGENT, THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER, THE TRUSTEE, THE CLASS E CERTIFICATES PAYING AGENT, THE CLASS E CERTIFICATES REGISTRAR, THE REVOLVING NOTE AGENT, THE DELAYED DRAWDOWN NOTE AGENT, THE COLLATERAL ADMINISTRATOR, THE SHARE TRUSTEE, THE ADMINISTRATOR OR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES OR ANY AFFILIATES OF THE ISSUER.

AN INVESTMENT IN THE SECURITIES IS NOT SUITABLE FOR ALL INVESTORS AND WILL BE APPROPRIATE ONLY FOR FINANCIALLY SOPHISTICATED INVESTORS CAPABLE OF (i) ANALYZING AND ASSESSING THE RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH COLLATERALIZED DEBT OBLIGATIONS AND (ii) BEARING SUCH RISKS AND THE FINANCIAL CONSEQUENCES THEREOF AS THEY RELATE TO AN INVESTMENT IN THE SECURITIES. AN INVESTOR IN THE SECURITIES SHOULD HAVE NO NEED FOR LIQUIDITY WITH RESPECT TO ITS INVESTMENT IN THE SECURITIES AND NO NEED TO DISPOSE OF ITS SECURITIES OR ANY PORTION THEREOF TO SATISFY ANY EXISTING OR CONTEMPLATED INDEBTEDNESS OR OBLIGATION OR FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSE.

THE ISSUER ACCEPTS RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OTHER THAN INFORMATION PROVIDED IN “*THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER*.” TO THE BEST OF THE KNOWLEDGE AND THE BELIEF OF THE ISSUER, THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FACTS AND DOES NOT OMIT ANYTHING LIKELY TO AFFECT THE IMPORT OF SUCH INFORMATION.

THIS DOCUMENT INCLUDES INFORMATION GIVEN IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE LISTING RULES OF THE CAYMAN ISLANDS STOCK EXCHANGE. THE CAYMAN ISLANDS STOCK EXCHANGE

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NONE OF THE INITIAL PURCHASER, THE PLACEMENT AGENT, THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER, THE TRUSTEE, THE CLASS E CERTIFICATES PAYING AGENT, THE CLASS E CERTIFICATES REGISTRAR, THE REVOLVING NOTE AGENT, THE DELAYED DRAWDOWN NOTE AGENT, THE COLLATERAL ADMINISTRATOR, THE SHARE TRUSTEE, THE ADMINISTRATOR OR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES OR ANY AFFILIATES OF THE ISSUER, HAS SEPARATELY VERIFIED THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM, EXCEPT, (i) IN THE CASE OF THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER, FOR THE SECTION ENTITLED "*THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER*" AND (ii) IN THE CASE OF THE INITIAL PURCHASER AND THE PLACEMENT AGENT, FOR THE PORTION OF THE SECTION ENTITLED "*PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION*" RELATING TO THE PURCHASE AGREEMENT AND PLACEMENT AGENCY AGREEMENT. ACCORDINGLY, NO REPRESENTATION, WARRANTY, OR UNDERTAKING, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, IS MADE, AND NO RESPONSIBILITY OR LIABILITY IS ACCEPTED, BY THE INITIAL PURCHASER, THE PLACEMENT AGENT, THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER, THE TRUSTEE, THE CLASS E CERTIFICATES PAYING AGENT, THE CLASS E CERTIFICATES REGISTRAR, THE REVOLVING NOTE AGENT, THE DELAYED DRAWDOWN NOTE AGENT, THE COLLATERAL ADMINISTRATOR, THE SHARE TRUSTEE, THE ADMINISTRATOR OR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES OR ANY AFFILIATES OF THE ISSUER AS TO THE ACCURACY OR COMPLETENESS OF THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED ABOVE. EACH PERSON RECEIVING THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM ACKNOWLEDGES THAT SUCH PERSON HAS NOT RELIED ON THE INITIAL PURCHASER, THE PLACEMENT AGENT, THE TRUSTEE, THE CLASS E CERTIFICATES PAYING AGENT, THE CLASS E CERTIFICATES REGISTRAR, THE REVOLVING NOTE AGENT, THE DELAYED DRAWDOWN NOTE AGENT, THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER, THE COLLATERAL ADMINISTRATOR, THE SHARE TRUSTEE, THE ADMINISTRATOR OR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES IN CONNECTION WITH THE ACCURACY OF SUCH INFORMATION OR ITS INVESTMENT DECISION.

THE SECURITIES ARE BEING OFFERED ONLY TO A LIMITED NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS AND INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS THAT ARE WILLING AND ABLE TO CONDUCT AN INDEPENDENT ANALYSIS OF THE CHARACTERISTICS OF THE SECURITIES AND RISKS OF OWNERSHIP OF THE SECURITIES. IT IS EXPECTED THAT PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS INTERESTED IN PURCHASING SECURITIES IN THIS OFFERING ARE WILLING AND ABLE TO CONDUCT AN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION OF THE RISKS POSED BY AN INVESTMENT IN THE SECURITIES. REPRESENTATIVES OF THE INITIAL PURCHASER AND THE PLACEMENT AGENT WILL BE AVAILABLE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE ISSUER, THE SECURITIES AND THE COLLATERAL AND WILL, UPON REQUEST, MAKE AVAILABLE SUCH OTHER INFORMATION AS PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS MAY REASONABLY REQUEST.

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS NOT INTENDED TO FURNISH LEGAL, REGULATORY, TAX, ACCOUNTING, INVESTMENT OR OTHER ADVICE TO ANY PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER OF THE SECURITIES. THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM SHOULD BE REVIEWED BY EACH PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER AND ITS LEGAL, REGULATORY, TAX, ACCOUNTING, INVESTMENT AND OTHER ADVISORS. PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS WHOSE INVESTMENT AUTHORITY IS SUBJECT TO LEGAL OR OTHER RESTRICTIONS SHOULD CONSULT THEIR LEGAL ADVISORS TO DETERMINE WHETHER AND TO WHAT EXTENT THE SECURITIES CONSTITUTE PERMISSIBLE INVESTMENTS FOR THEM.

NO PERSON IS AUTHORIZED IN CONNECTION WITH ANY OFFERING MADE HEREBY TO GIVE ANY INFORMATION OR MAKE ANY REPRESENTATION OTHER THAN AS CONTAINED IN THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM AND, IF GIVEN OR MADE, SUCH INFORMATION OR REPRESENTATION MUST NOT BE RELIED UPON AS HAVING BEEN AUTHORIZED BY THE ISSUER, THE INITIAL PURCHASER, THE PLACEMENT AGENT, THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER, THE TRUSTEE, THE CLASS E CERTIFICATES PAYING AGENT, THE CLASS E CERTIFICATES REGISTRAR, THE REVOLVING NOTE

AGENT, THE DELAYED DRAWDOWN NOTE AGENT, THE COLLATERAL ADMINISTRATOR, THE SHARE TRUSTEE, THE ADMINISTRATOR OR ANY AFFILIATES OF THE ISSUER. THE DELIVERY OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM AT ANY TIME DOES NOT IMPLY THAT THE INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS CORRECT AT ANY TIME SUBSEQUENT TO ITS DATE. EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT REQUIRED BY THE LISTING RULES OF THE IRISH STOCK EXCHANGE OR THE CAYMAN ISLANDS STOCK EXCHANGE, THE CO-ISSUERS DISCLAIM ANY OBLIGATION TO UPDATE SUCH INFORMATION.

NO ACTION IS BEING TAKEN OR IS CONTEMPLATED BY THE ISSUER, THE CO-ISSUER, THE INITIAL PURCHASER OR THE PLACEMENT AGENT THAT WOULD PERMIT A PUBLIC OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES OR POSSESSION OR DISTRIBUTION OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY AMENDMENT THEREOF OR SUPPLEMENT THERETO OR ANY OTHER OFFERING MATERIAL RELATING TO THE ISSUER OR THE SECURITIES IN ANY JURISDICTION WHERE, OR IN ANY OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH, ACTION FOR THOSE PURPOSES IS REQUIRED. THE DISTRIBUTION OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM AND THE OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES MAY ALSO BE RESTRICTED BY LAW IN CERTAIN JURISDICTIONS. CONSEQUENTLY, NOTHING CONTAINED HEREIN SHALL CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO SELL, OR A SOLICITATION OF AN OFFER TO BUY, (i) ANY SECURITIES OTHER THAN THE SECURITIES OFFERED HEREBY OR (ii) ANY SECURITIES IN ANY JURISDICTION IN WHICH IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR SUCH PERSON TO MAKE SUCH AN OFFER OR SOLICITATION. PERSONS INTO WHOSE POSSESSION THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM COMES ARE REQUIRED BY THE ISSUER, THE CO-ISSUER, THE INITIAL PURCHASER AND THE PLACEMENT AGENT TO INFORM THEMSELVES ABOUT, AND TO OBSERVE, ANY SUCH RESTRICTIONS. NONE OF THE U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION, ANY STATE SECURITIES REGULATORY AUTHORITY OR ANY OTHER U.S. REGULATORY AUTHORITY HAS APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED THE SECURITIES OR PASSED UPON OR ENDORSED THE MERITS OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

NONE OF THE INITIAL PURCHASER, THE PLACEMENT AGENT, THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER, THE TRUSTEE, THE CLASS E CERTIFICATES PAYING AGENT, THE CLASS E CERTIFICATES REGISTRAR, THE REVOLVING NOTE AGENT, THE DELAYED DRAWDOWN NOTE AGENT, THE COLLATERAL ADMINISTRATOR, THE SHARE TRUSTEE OR THE ADMINISTRATOR ASSUMES ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF ANY OBLIGATIONS OF THE ISSUER OR CO-ISSUER OR ANY OTHER PERSON DESCRIBED IN THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR FOR THE DUE EXECUTION, VALIDITY OR ENFORCEABILITY OF THE SECURITIES, THE INSTRUMENTS OR DOCUMENTS DELIVERED IN CONNECTION WITH THE SECURITIES OR FOR THE VALUE OR VALIDITY OF ANY COLLATERAL (EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT SUCH PERSON IS THE ISSUER THEREOF) OR SECURITY INTERESTS PLEDGED IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

EXCEPT AS MAY REASONABLY BE NECESSARY TO COMPLY WITH APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS, EACH RECIPIENT HEREOF (AND EACH EMPLOYEE, REPRESENTATIVE, OR OTHER AGENT OF THE RECIPIENT) MAY DISCLOSE TO ANY AND ALL PERSONS, WITHOUT LIMITATION OF ANY KIND, THE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME AND STATE AND LOCAL INCOME AND FRANCHISE TAX TREATMENT AND TAX STRUCTURE OF THE TRANSACTION AND ALL MATERIALS OF ANY KIND (INCLUDING OPINIONS OR OTHER TAX ANALYSES) THAT ARE PROVIDED TO THE RECIPIENT RELATING TO SUCH TAX TREATMENT AND TAX STRUCTURE. FOR THIS PURPOSE "TAX STRUCTURE" IS LIMITED TO FACTS RELEVANT TO THE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME AND STATE AND LOCAL INCOME AND FRANCHISE TAX TREATMENT OF THE OFFERING AND DOES NOT INCLUDE INFORMATION RELATING TO THE IDENTITY OF THE ISSUER, THE INITIAL PURCHASER, THE PLACEMENT AGENT, THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER OR ANY INVESTOR IN THE SECURITIES.

ALL REFERENCES HEREIN TO "U.S. \$," "\$" OR DOLLARS ARE TO UNITED STATES DOLLARS.

### **AVAILABLE INFORMATION**

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Copies of the Indenture and the Issuer Charter may be obtained by the Holders of the Securities upon request in writing to the Trustee. Copies of the Indenture will be available at the office of the Paying Agent in Ireland, for so long as any Class of the Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange.

### **FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS**

Any projections, forecasts and estimates contained herein are forward looking statements and are based upon certain assumptions that the Issuer consider reasonable. Projections are necessarily speculative in nature, and it can be expected that some or all of the assumptions underlying the projections will not materialize or will vary significantly from actual results. Accordingly, the projections are only an estimate. Actual results may vary from the projections, and the variations may be material.

Some important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in any forward looking statements include, among others, changes in interest rates, credit spreads, market, financial or legal uncertainties, differences in the actual allocation of the Obligors among categories from those assumed, the timing and the number of Collateral Obligations that become Defaulted Obligations and of modifications to the Collateral and differences in the market value of Collateral Obligations. Consequently, the inclusion of projections herein should not be regarded as a representation by the Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Class E Certificates Registrar, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator, the Share Trustee, the Administrator or any of their respective affiliates or any other Person of the results that will actually be achieved by the Issuer.

None of the Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Class E Certificates Registrar, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator, the Share Trustee, the Administrator or any of their respective affiliates or any other Person has any obligation to update or otherwise revise any projections, including any revisions to reflect changes in economic conditions or other circumstances arising after the date hereof, or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events, even if the underlying assumptions do not come to fruition.

### **CERTAIN LEGAL INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS**

Institutions whose investment activities are subject to legal investment laws and regulations or to review by certain regulatory authorities may be subject to restrictions on investments in the Securities. Any such institution should consult its legal advisers in determining whether and to what extent there may be restrictions on its ability to invest in the Securities. Without limiting the foregoing, any financial institution that is subject to the jurisdiction of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Office of Thrift Supervision, the National Credit Union Administration, any state insurance commission, or any other federal or state agencies with similar authority should review any applicable rules, guidelines and regulations prior to purchasing the Securities. Depository institutions should review and consider the applicability of the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council Supervisory Policy Statement on Securities Activities, which has been adopted by the respective federal regulators.

None of the Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Class E Certificates Registrar, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator, the Share Trustee, the Administrator or any of their respective Affiliates makes any representation as to the proper characterization of the Securities for legal investment or other purposes, or

as to the ability of particular purchasers to purchase the Securities under applicable investment restrictions. The uncertainties described above (and any unfavorable future determinations concerning legal investment or applicable regulatory or other characteristics of the Securities) may affect the liquidity of the Securities. Accordingly, all institutions whose activities are subject to legal investment laws and regulations, regulatory capital requirements, review by regulatory authorities or contractual or other restrictions should consult their own legal advisers in determining whether and to what extent the Securities are, or the institution by purchasing Securities would be, subject to investment, capital or other restrictions.

#### **CERTAIN CONSIDERATIONS RELATING TO THE CAYMAN ISLANDS**

The Issuer is an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands. As a result, it may not be possible for purchasers of the Securities to effect service of process upon the Issuer within the United States or to enforce against the Issuer in United States courts judgments predicated upon the civil liability provisions of the securities laws of the United States. The Issuer has been advised by Walkers, its legal advisor in the Cayman Islands, that the United States and the Cayman Islands do not currently have a treaty providing for reciprocal recognition and enforcement of judgments in civil and commercial matters and that a final judgment for the payment of money rendered by any federal or state court in the United States based on civil liability, whether or not predicated solely upon United States securities laws, would therefore not be automatically enforceable in the Cayman Islands, and that there is doubt as to the enforceability in the Cayman Islands, in original actions or in actions for the enforcement of judgments of the United States courts, of liabilities predicated solely upon United States securities laws. The Issuer will appoint Corporation Service Company, 1133 Avenue of the Americas, Suite 3100, New York, NY 10036 as its agent in New York for service of process.

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**SUMMARY OF TERMS**

*The following summary of terms does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by, and should be read in conjunction with, the more detailed information appearing elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum and the documents referred to in this Offering Memorandum. A Glossary and an Index of Defined Terms appear at the back of this Offering Memorandum.*

**Principal Terms of the Securities**

	<b>Class A-1A Notes</b>	<b>Class A-1B Notes</b>	<b>Class A-1C Notes</b>	<b>Class A-2 Notes</b>	<b>Class A-3 Notes</b>	<b>Class A-4 Notes</b>	<b>Class B Notes</b>	<b>Class C Notes</b>	<b>Class E Certificates</b>	<b>Class Q-1 Securities</b>	<b>Class P-1 Securities</b>	<b>Class P-2 Securities</b>
Type	Revolving Senior Secured Extendable	Delayed Drawdown Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Deferrable Extendable	Senior Secured Deferrable Extendable	N/A	Combination Extendable	Extendable	Extendable
Issuer(s)	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Issuer	Issuer	Issuer	Issuer
Principal Amount/ Face Amount/ Stated Amount (U.S.\$) <sup>1</sup>	\$50,000,000	\$50,000,000	\$446,000,000	\$68,500,000	\$68,500,000	\$43,000,000	\$49,000,000	\$52,000,000 <sup>5</sup>	\$94,000,000 <sup>5</sup>	\$20,000,000 <sup>5</sup>	\$20,000,000 <sup>6</sup>	5,000,000 <sup>7</sup>
Expected Moody's Initial Rating	"Aaa"	"Aaa"	"Aaa"	"Aaa"	"Aa1"	"Aa2"	"A2"	"Baa2"	N/A	"Baa2"	"Aaa"	"Aaa"
Expected S&P Initial Rating	"AAA"	"AAA"	"AAA"	"AAA"	"AAA"	"AA"	"A"	"BBB"	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Note Interest Rate	LIBOR + 0.29% <sup>2</sup>	LIBOR + 0.25% <sup>2</sup>	LIBOR + 0.25%	LIBOR + 0.375%	LIBOR + 0.50%	LIBOR + 0.55%	LIBOR + 0.90%	LIBOR + 1.90%	N/A	N/A	6.5% <sup>10</sup>	N/A <sup>8</sup>
Stated Maturity/Sche duled Class E Certificates Redemption Date <sup>3</sup>	November 1, 2017	November 1, 2017	November 1, 2017	November 1, 2017	November 1, 2017	November 1, 2017	November 1, 2017	November 1, 2017	November 1, 2017	November 1, 2017	November 1, 2017	November 1, 2017
Minimum Denominati ons (Integral Multiples)	\$500,000 (\$1,000)	\$500,000 (\$1,000)	\$500,000 (\$1,000)	\$500,000 (\$1,000)	\$500,000 (\$1,000)	\$500,000 (\$1,000)	\$500,000 (\$1,000)	\$500,000 (\$1,000)	500 <sup>4</sup> certificates (1 certificate)	\$1,400,000 (\$100,000)	\$2,000,000 (\$1,000,000)	\$1,700,000 (\$50,000)

<b>Ranking of the Securities:</b>												
<b>Priority Class</b>	None	None	None	A-1A, A-1B, A-1C	A-1A, A-1B, A-1C, A-2	A-1A, A-1B, A-1C, A-2, A-3	A-1A, A-1B, A-1C, A-2, A-3 and A-4	A-1A, A-1B, A-1C, A-2, A-3, A-4 and B	A-1A, A-1B, A-1C, A-2, A-3, A-4, B, and C	<i>See Priority Classes for Class C Notes and Class E Certificates</i>	<i>See Priority Classes for Class E Certificates<sup>8</sup></i>	<i>See Priority Classes for Class E Certificates<sup>8</sup></i>
<b>Junior Class</b>	A-2, A-3, A-4, B, C and Class E Certificates	A-2, A-3, A-4, B, C and Class E Certificates	A-2, A-3, A-4, B, C and Class E Certificates	A-3, A-4, B, C and Class E Certificates	A-4, B, C and Class E Certificates	B, C and Class E Certificates	C and Class E Certificates	Class E Certificates	None	<i>See Junior Classes for Class C Notes and Class E Certificates</i>	<i>See Junior Classes for Class E Certificates<sup>8</sup></i>	<i>See Junior Classes for Class E Certificates<sup>8</sup></i>
<b>Deferred Interest Notes</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes <sup>9</sup>	N/A	N/A

- 1 The original principal amount shown above in respect of the Class A-1A Notes is the Commitment for such Class on the Closing Date. Except as otherwise provided, references to the principal of Class A-1A Notes will mean the Drawn Amount thereof from time to time. The original principal amount shown above in respect of the Class A-1B Notes is the Fully Drawn Amount for such Class on the Closing Date. Except as otherwise provided, references to the principal of Class A-1B Notes will mean the Drawn Amount thereof from time to time. The Class E Certificates will be issued with a Face Amount of U.S. \$1,000 per share.
- 2 The Class A-1A Notes also will be entitled to the Commitment Fee on any undrawn amounts. The Class A-1B Notes also will be entitled to the Delayed Drawdown Fee on any undrawn amounts.
- 3 The Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date of the Class E Certificates are subject to multiple extensions to the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (in the case of the Notes) and the applicable Extended Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date (in the case of the Class E Certificates), if the Issuer provides timely notice and the Extension Conditions are satisfied. See “Risk Factors—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary,” “—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected,” “Maturity and Prepayment Considerations” and “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date.”
- 4 One Class E Certificate may be issued and transferred in a minimum denomination of 200 certificates and integral multiples of one certificate in excess thereof.
- 5 The Class Q-1 Securities consist of the Class Q-1 Note Component representing U.S.\$12,600,000 aggregate principal amount of Class C Notes and the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component representing 7,400 Class E Certificates. The 7,400 Class E Certificates and the U.S.\$12,600,000 in aggregate principal amount of Class C Notes to which the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component and the Class Q-1 Note Component relate are included in (and are not in addition to) the Class E Certificates and the aggregate principal amount of the Class C Notes.
- 6 The Class P-1 Securities consist of the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component representing 6,180 Class E Certificates and the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component representing U.S.\$20,000,000 (face value) U.S. Treasury securities with zero coupon due November 15, 2013 (CUSIP No. 912833KB5). The 6,180 Class E Certificates to which the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component relates are included in (and are not in addition to) the aggregate 94,000 Class E Certificates. The Class P-1 Securities have an aggregate stated amount of U.S.\$20,000,000.
- 7 The Class P-2 Securities consist of the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component representing 1,500 Class E Certificates and the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component representing U.S.\$5,000,000 (face value) U.S. Treasury securities with zero coupon due November 15, 2013 (CUSIP No. 912833KB5). The 1,500 Class E Certificates to which the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component relates are included in (and are not in addition to) the aggregate 94,000 Class E Certificates. The Class P-2 Securities have an aggregate stated amount of U.S.\$5,000,000.
- 8 The Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component and the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component bear the right to receive distributions in the same manner as all Class E Certificates. Any amounts payable with respect thereto will be subject to the availability of funds for such payment with respect to the underlying Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component and Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component, as applicable, in accordance with the Priority of Payments, and the Class P Securities will not be entitled to any payments in addition to the payments required to be made on their respective underlying Class P-1 Components and Class P-2 Components.
- 9 Solely with respect to the Class Q-1 Note Component.
- 10 Solely for certain calculation purposes, the Class P-1 Securities are deemed to have a Class P-1 Notional Coupon Rate.

The Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities will be limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer (except to the extent of their Class E Certificate Components). The Notes will be non-recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuer. The Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities will be issued pursuant to the Indenture.

The Class E Certificates will be preferred equity interests that are part of the issued share capital of the Issuer and, accordingly, will not be secured obligations of the Issuer. The Class E Certificates will not be interests in or obligations of the Co-Issuer. JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association will act as the Class E Certificate Paying Agent for the Class E Certificates and will perform various administrative services pursuant to a Class E Certificate Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date (the “Class E Certificate Paying Agency Agreement”) between the Issuer and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent.

The Class Q-1 Securities will consist of the Class Q-1 Note Component and the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component. The Class Q-1 Note Component will represent an initial aggregate principal amount of U.S. \$12,600,000 of Class C Notes. The Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component will represent 7,400 Class E Certificates.

The initial aggregate principal amount of the Class C Notes and Face Value of the Class E Certificates to which the Class Q-1 Note Component and the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component relate are included in (and are not in addition to) the initial aggregate principal amount of the Class C Notes or the aggregate Face Value of the Class E Certificates, respectively. Each Class Q-1 Security represents an undivided beneficial ownership interest in the cash flows on the Class Q-1 Note Component and the Class Q-1 Class E Certificates Component.

Pursuant to the Indenture, a Holder of the beneficial interest in the Class Q-1 Securities may exchange, subject to the applicable minimum denomination requirements, Class Q-1 Securities for interests in the underlying Class C Notes and Class E Certificates, subject to the applicable transfer restrictions, and in the manner described, in the Indenture. See “Description of the Securities—The Class Q-1 Securities.”

The Class P-1 Securities will be secured to the extent of the Class P-1 Nominal Principal Outstanding solely by (i) the Class P-1 Accounts, (ii) any property deposited into the Class P-1 Accounts, including the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component and (iii) all proceeds with respect to the foregoing (collectively, the “Class P-1 Collateral”). The Class P-1 Collateral will secure no other Class of Security. The Class P-1 Class E Certificate

Component (like the Class E Certificates) will not be secured.

The Class P-2 Securities will be secured to the extent of the Class P-2 Nominal Principal Outstanding solely by (i) Class P-2 Accounts, (ii) any property deposited into the Class P-2 Accounts, including the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component and (iii) all proceeds with respect to the foregoing (collectively, the “Class P-2 Collateral”). The Class P-2 Collateral will secure no other Class of Security. The Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component (like the Class E Certificates) will not be secured.

Except as provided under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments,” the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes will be *pari passu* with each other as provided in “Description of the Securities—Class A-1 Funding Allocations,” the Class A-1 Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class A-4 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class E Certificates; the Class A-2 Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class A-3 Notes, the Class A-4 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class E Certificates; the Class A-3 Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class A-4 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class E Certificates; the Class A-4 Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class E Certificates; the Class B Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class C Notes and the Class E Certificates; and the Class C Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class E Certificates.

The Securities and certain other obligations of the Issuer will have the priorities of payment described under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

**Co-Issuers .....** The Issuer is an exempted limited liability company under the laws of the Cayman Islands. The Issuer’s activities are limited to acquiring Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments and other permitted collateral, entering into any Hedge Agreements and Securities Lending Agreements, issuing the Securities and incidental activities related thereto.

The Issuer will not have any significant assets other than Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, any Hedge Agreements and Securities Lending Agreements and certain other eligible assets. The Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, the rights of the Issuer under any Hedge

	<p>Agreements and other collateral will be pledged to the Trustee as security for, among other things, the Issuer's obligations under the Notes (including the Class Q-1 Note Component).</p> <p>The Co-Issuer is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware for the sole purpose of co-issuing the Notes. The Co-Issuer will not have any significant assets and will not pledge any assets to secure the Notes.</p>
<b>Trustee .....</b>	JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association will act as the Trustee under the Indenture on behalf of the Holders of the Notes, Class Q-1 Securities and Class P Securities.
<b>Portfolio Manager.....</b>	<p>Certain advisory, management and administrative functions with respect to the Collateral will be performed by Highland Capital Management, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("<b>Highland Capital</b>" or, in such capacity, the "<b>Portfolio Manager</b>"), pursuant to a portfolio management agreement between the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager (the "<b>Management Agreement</b>"). On the Closing Date, the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates are expected to purchase Class E Certificates having an aggregate Face Amount equal to approximately U.S.\$22 million.</p> <p>The Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates may also acquire Class E Certificates upon the occurrence of (i) the Amendment Buy-Out Option or (ii) a proposed removal without cause of the Portfolio Manager by the Directing Class E Certificates. In addition, the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates may acquire all or any portion of any Extension Sale Securities in connection with a Maturity Extension. See "The Portfolio Manager," "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities," "—Relating to the Portfolio Manager" and "—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Portfolio Manager," "Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out," "Description of the Securities—Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date" and "The Management Agreement."</p>
<b>Closing Date .....</b>	On or about December 8, 2005.
<b>Use of Proceeds .....</b>	<p>The gross proceeds of the offering of the Securities received on the Closing Date are expected to equal approximately \$838 million and will be used by the Issuer to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• purchase a portfolio of Collateral Obligations (including by entering into any Synthetic Security Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the related accounts)) and terminate participations outstanding under the Warehouse Agreement;</li> <li>• fund a trust account for Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans (the "<b>Revolving Reserve Account</b>") to cover any future draws on Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans;</li> </ul>

- enter into any Hedge Agreements, as applicable;
- enter into any Securities Lending Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the Securities Lending Account);
- fund the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account;
- purchase the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component for deposit in the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component Account;
- purchase the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component for deposit in the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component Account; and
- undertake certain permitted incidental activities.

See “Use of Proceeds.”

**Payment Dates.....** Payment of interest on, and principal of, the Notes and distributions on the Class E Certificates will be made by the Issuer in U.S. Dollars, in each case to the extent of available cash flow in respect of the Collateral in accordance with the Priority of Payments, on the first day of each February, May, August and November of each year (or if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day); *provided* that the first Payment Date will be on March 3, 2006 and the second Payment Date will be on May 2, 2006.

**Class P Securities Payment Dates ...** Payment of the Class P-1 Net Periodic Distribution with respect to the Class P-1 Securities and of the Class P-2 Net Periodic Distribution with respect to the Class P-2 Securities will be made to the Holders of the Class P-1 Securities and the Holders of the Class P-2 Securities, as applicable, on the tenth Business Day after each Payment Date or, if such Payment Date coincides with the Stated Maturity, such Payment Date. Except as otherwise provided herein, no other payments will be made on the Class P Securities. See “Description of the Securities —Class P Securities”.

**Interest Payments and Payments  
of Dividends from Interest**

**Proceeds.....** The Notes will accrue interest from the Closing Date. Interest on the Notes will be payable, to the extent of funds available therefor, on each Payment Date.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of interest due on such Class of Deferred Interest Notes that is not available to be paid (“**Deferred Interest**”) in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date will not be considered “payable”

for the purposes of the Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest will not be an Event of Default) until the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for payment of such interest in accordance with the Priority of Payments. To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes will accrue at the Note Interest Rate for such Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, will thereafter be additional Deferred Interest), until paid. See “Description of the Securities—Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Class E Certificates from Interest Proceeds,” “—Priority of Payments” and “—The Indenture—Events of Default.”

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Class E Certificates as dividends on the Class E Certificates pursuant to the Class E Certificate Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Interest Proceeds as described under clauses (22) and (24) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

The Class Q-1 Securities are entitled to receive only the payments associated with the related components.

**Principal Payments and  
Distributions from Principal  
Proceeds.....**

The Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities will mature at par on the Payment Date in November 2017 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), on the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (the “**Stated Maturity**”) and the Class E Certificates are scheduled to be redeemed at the Redemption Price thereof by the Issuer on the Payment Date in November 2017 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), on the applicable Extended Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date (the “**Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date**”), in each case unless redeemed or (in the case of the Notes) repaid in full prior thereto. The average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years from issuance until Stated Maturity for such Notes. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary,” “—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected” and “Maturity and Prepayment Considerations.”

In general, principal payments will not be made on the Notes before the end of the Reinvestment Period, except in the following circumstances:

- in connection with an Optional Redemption;
- at the option of the Portfolio Manager, to effect a Special Redemption of the Notes;



- following a mandatory redemption of the Notes caused by a failure to meet any of the Coverage Tests or a Rating Confirmation Failure.

See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments,” “—Optional Redemption,” “—Special Redemption of the Notes If the Portfolio Manager Does Not Identify Investments as Contemplated by the Indenture,” “—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes” and “Security for the Notes—Ramp-Up.”

No payments of principal will be made on the Class A-2 Notes until the principal of the Class A-1 Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class A-3 Notes until the principal of the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class A-4 Notes until the principal of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class B Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class C Notes (other than with respect to the use of Interest Proceeds to pay principal of the Class C Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class C Coverage Tests in certain circumstances) until the principal of the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes has been paid in full. However, Principal Proceeds may be used to pay Deferred Interest (provided payment of the Deferred Interest would not cause any Coverage Test to be failed) and other amounts before the payment of principal of the Notes. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

No principal of any Class of Notes will be payable on any Payment Date other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and to the extent funds are available therefor on that Payment Date for that purpose, except that the principal of each Class of Notes will be payable in full at the Stated Maturity, unless repaid before that. In addition, principal payments may be made on any Business Day on the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes as provided in “Description of the Securities—Class A-1 Funding Allocations and “—Prepayment of the Class A-1A Notes.”

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Class E Certificates as dividends on the Class E Certificates pursuant to the Class E Certificate Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Principal Proceeds as described under clauses (8) and (10) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

For a description of the relative priority of payments and level of subordination of the Securities and certain fees, expenses and other liabilities of the Co-Issuers, see “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

**Extension of the Stated Maturity,  
the Scheduled Class E Certificates  
Redemption Date and the  
Reinvestment Period.....**

The Issuer, if directed by the Portfolio Manager, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Stated Maturity to the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Reinvestment Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. For purposes of the foregoing, “**Extension Effective Date**” means in the case of the first Maturity Extension, the Payment Date in November, 2010 and in the case of any subsequent Maturity Extension, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extension Effective Date.

If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities will be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date (a “**Maturity Extension**”); *provided* that the Issuer will not be permitted to effect more than four Maturity Extensions. In the case of a Maturity Extension, the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date will automatically be extended to the related Extended Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date, the Weighted Average Life Test will be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, and the Reinvestment Period will be automatically extended to the related Extended Reinvestment Period End Date without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Securities or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or the Class E Certificate Documents. For purposes of the foregoing, “**Extended Reinvestment Period End Date**” means, in the case of the first Maturity Extension, the Payment Date in November 2016 and in the case of any subsequent Maturity Extension, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Reinvestment Period End Date, “**Extended Stated Maturity Date**” means, in the case of the first Maturity Extension, the Payment Date in November 2021) and in the case of any subsequent Maturity Extension, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Stated Maturity Date, “**Extended Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date**” means, in the case of the first Maturity Extension, the Payment Date in November 2021 and in the case of any subsequent Maturity Extension, the sixteenth

Payment Date after the then current Extended Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date, and “**Extended Weighted Average Life Date**” means, in the case of the first Maturity Extension, the Payment Date in May 2019 and in the case of any subsequent Maturity Extension, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Weighted Average Life Date; *provided* that the “Extended Reinvestment Period End Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November 2028, the “Extended Stated Maturity Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November 2033, the “Extended Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November 2033 and the “Extended Weighted Average Life Date” will in no event be a date later than the May 2031.

As a condition to a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Securities will have the right to offer to sell its Securities to one or more Extension Qualifying Purchasers for purchase on the applicable Extension Effective Date; *provided* that in the case of the Class P Securities only the Class E Certificates represented by the Class E Certificate Component will be sold, and the applicable Class P U.S. Treasury Component will be distributed to the Holder in kind.

If all Extension Conditions are satisfied and a Maturity Extension is effected, each Holder of a Note (including in the form of the Class Q-1 Note Component) (other than Extension Sale Securities) will be entitled to receive the applicable Extension Bonus Payment to the extent of available funds and as provided in the Priority of Payments. Holders of the Class E Certificates will not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary,” “—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected,” “Maturity and Prepayment Considerations,” and “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date”.

**Security for the Securities .....** The Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities (to the extent of the Class Q-1 Note Component) will be secured by a portfolio having an Aggregate Principal Balance at the end of the Ramp-Up Period of approximately U.S.\$900 million (in principal amount) and consisting primarily of Collateral Obligations and certain other debt securities, in each case having the characteristics set forth herein. The Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities (to the extent of the Class Q-1 Note Component) will also be secured by funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, the

Issuer's rights under any Hedge Agreements, any Securities Lending Agreements, the Management Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement. See "Security for the Notes."

The Class E Certificates (including the Class E Certificate Components) are unsecured preferred equity interests in the Issuer.

The Class P-1 Securities will be secured solely by the Class P-1 Collateral. The Class P-1 Collateral will secure no other Class of Security.

The Class P-2 Securities will be secured solely by the Class P-2 Collateral. The Class P-2 Collateral will secure no other Class of Security.

**Collateral Ramp-Up Period .....** The Issuer expects that, as of the Closing Date, it will have purchased (or entered into commitments to purchase) Collateral Obligations such that the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator will be at least \$815,000,000. The Issuer expects to purchase or enter into commitments to purchase additional Collateral Obligations during the period until the Ramp-Up Completion Date. The "**Ramp-Up Completion Date**" is the earlier of (i) the Business Day prior to March 3, 2005 and (ii) the first day on which the following conditions are satisfied (x) either (A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least \$900,000,000 or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be (*provided* that with respect to the Initial Collateral Obligations, the date of purchase shall be the Closing Date)) equals at least \$900,000,000 (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations after the Closing Date and on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date) and (y) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$900,000,000.

In anticipation of the issuance of the Securities, the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and an affiliate of the Initial Purchaser (as the "**Warehouse Provider**") entered into the Asset Acquisition Agreement and Master Participation Agreement pursuant to which the Portfolio Manager has agreed to manage, on behalf of the Issuer, the Warehoused Loans to be acquired by the Issuer before the Closing Date and the Warehouse Provider has agreed to acquire a 100% participation in each Warehoused Loan concurrently with its acquisition by the Issuer. On the Closing

Date, the participations in eligible Warehoused Loans will be repurchased by the Issuer with the proceeds of the offering.

See “Security for the Notes—Ramp-Up.”

**Reinvestment Period;  
Reinvestment in Collateral**

**Obligations** ..... During the Reinvestment Period, the Issuer may generally (and subject to certain requirements) reinvest Principal Proceeds received with respect to the Collateral in additional or substitute Collateral Obligations in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria (which Eligibility Criteria includes requirements that an item of Collateral purchased by the Issuer meet the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and that the portfolio of Collateral Obligations be in compliance with the Concentration Limitations to the extent provided in the Eligibility Criteria). See “—Collateral Obligations,” “—Concentration Limitations” and “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.”

The “**Reinvestment Period**” will be the period from the Closing Date through and including the first to occur of:

- (i) the Payment Date after the date that the Portfolio Manager notifies the Trustee, each Rating Agency and the Administrator, in the sole discretion of the Portfolio Manager, that, in light of the composition of the Collateral, general market conditions, and other factors, investments in additional Collateral Obligations within the foreseeable future would either be impractical or not beneficial;
- (ii) the Payment Date in November 2012 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Reinvestment Period End Date;
- (iii) the Payment Date on which all Notes are to be optionally redeemed or an earlier date after notice of an Optional Redemption chosen by the Portfolio Manager to facilitate the liquidation of the Collateral for the Optional Redemption; and
- (iv) the date on which the Reinvestment Period terminates or is terminated as a result of an Event of Default (subject to the terms of the Indenture).

No investment will be made in Collateral Obligations after the termination of the Reinvestment Period, except that (x) Unscheduled Principal Payments and (y) Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations may be invested in Collateral Obligations after the Reinvestment Period subject to the limitations described under “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria” and “—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Reinvestment of Principal Proceeds.” After the termination of the Reinvestment

Period, all Principal Proceeds (other than Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations) must be applied to make payments on the Securities in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

**Collateral Obligations** ..... Any obligation or security (a “**Collateral Obligation**”) that, when the Issuer commits to purchase (or otherwise acquire) the obligation or security, is a Loan, High-Yield Bond, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that is a Loan, a Structured Finance Obligation or High-Yield Bond, in each case, that is:

- (i) denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars and is not convertible by its obligor into any other currency;
- (ii) an obligation of an obligor Domiciled in an Eligible Country;
- (iii) an obligation that is eligible by its terms to be assigned to the Issuer and pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral;
- (iv) not an exchangeable or convertible security that is exchangeable or convertible at the option of its issuer;
- (v) not an equity security or a component of an equity security or a security that has a component that is an equity security (other than for avoidance of doubt, a pass-through trust certificate in a trust holding Collateral Obligations);
- (vi) not an obligation or security that has been called for redemption and is not an obligation or security that is the subject of an Offer other than a Permitted Offer or an exchange offer in which a security that is not registered under the Securities Act is exchanged for (a) a security that has substantially identical terms (except for transfer restrictions) but is registered under the Securities Act or (b) a security that would otherwise qualify for purchase under the Eligibility Criteria;
- (vii) an obligation that (a) has a Moody’s Rating (including any estimated or confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored) and (b) has an S&P Rating (including any confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored), which S&P Rating does not have a “p”, “pi”, “q”, “r”, “st” or “t” subscript unless S&P otherwise authorizes in writing;

- (viii) an obligation that is a Finance Lease (if it is a lease) and the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;
- (ix) an obligation that is not a Current-Pay Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation, and in the case of a Collateral Obligation that has a Moody's Rating of "Caa1" or lower or an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower, is an obligation for which the Portfolio Manager has certified in writing that such Collateral Obligation is not a Credit Risk Obligation;
- (x) an obligation that (unless it is a High-Yield Bond) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness for borrowed money of the applicable issuer; *provided* that for the avoidance of doubt, this clause shall not prohibit the inclusion as Collateral Obligations of Second Lien Loans or Subordinated Lien Loans;
- (xi) an obligation that (a) bears simple interest payable in cash no less frequently than annually (although, in the case of a PIK Security, interest may be deferrable) at a fixed or floating rate that is paid on a periodic basis on an unleveraged basis and, in the case of a floating rate, computed on a benchmark interest rate plus or minus a spread, if any (which may vary under the terms of the obligation) and (b) provides for a fixed amount of principal payable in cash according to a fixed schedule (which may include optional call dates) or at maturity (or a fixed notional amount in the case of Synthetic Securities);
- (xii) except in the case of a Synthetic Security, an obligation the payment or repayment of the principal, if any, of which is not an amount determined by reference to any formula or index or subject to any contingency under the terms thereof;
- (xiii) an obligation the portion of which to be acquired (including through a Synthetic Security with respect to the Reference Obligation) does not represent, directly or indirectly, more than a 25% interest in the obligation;
- (xiv) not an obligation with a maturity later than two years after the Stated Maturity of the Notes;
- (xv) an obligation upon which no payments are subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the obligor thereof or counterparty with respect thereto is required to make "gross-up" payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax on an after-tax

basis (other than withholding taxes with respect to commitment fees associated with Collateral Obligations constituting Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans);

- (xvi) not a Loan or Synthetic Security that would require the Issuer after its purchase of the Loan or Synthetic Security to advance any funds to the related borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty or permit the borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty to require that any future advances be made except for:
  - (A) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan if, the aggregate Balance of all Eligible Investments credited to the Revolving Reserve Account will be at least equal to the Revolver Funding Reserve Amount; and
  - (B) any Synthetic Security if the Issuer posts cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) the Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of any future advances;
- (xvii) if such obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation, such obligation:
  - (A) has been assigned a rating by both Moody's and S&P;
  - (B) has a Moody's Rating of "Ba3" or higher and an S&P Rating of "BB-" or higher; and
  - (C) has not been placed on the watch list for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P;
- (xviii) if such obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation managed by the Portfolio Manager that is other than a collateralized loan obligation primarily secured by Senior Secured Loans, the Rating Condition has been satisfied;
- (xix) not a Loan that is an obligation of a debtor in possession or a trustee for a debtor in an insolvency proceeding other than a DIP Loan;
- (xx) with respect to an obligation that provides for the payment of interest at a floating rate, an obligation for which such floating rate is determined by reference to the U.S. Dollar prime rate or other base rate, London interbank offered rate or similar interbank offered rate,



commercial deposit rate or any other index with respect to which the Rating Condition is satisfied;

- (xxi) in the case of a Synthetic Security, a Synthetic Security for which the counterparty or issuer, as the case may be, has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A1", and if rated "A1" by Moody's, such rating is not on watch for downgrade, and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A+";
- (xxii) not Margin Stock;
- (xxiii) not a Zero-Coupon Security;
- (xxiv) not an obligation that is currently deferring interest or paying interest "in kind" or otherwise has an interest "in kind" balance outstanding at the time of purchase, which interest is otherwise payable in cash, unless the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;
- (xxv) not a security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined by the Portfolio Manager;
- (xxvi) not an obligation the interest payments of which are scheduled to decrease (although interest payments may decrease due to unscheduled events such as a decrease if the index relating to a Floating Rate Obligation, the change from a default rate of interest to a non-default rate of interest or an improvement in the obligor's financial condition);
- (xxvii) not an obligation that will cause the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the pool of Collateral to be required to be registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act;
- (xxviii) not an asset, the acquisition (including the manner of acquisition), ownership, enforcement or disposition of which would cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise as subject to tax on a net income basis in any jurisdiction outside the Issuer's jurisdiction of incorporation; and
- (xxix) not a Bridge Loan.

Pursuant to the definition of "Synthetic Security," any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result

of the occurrence of any “credit event”) as a Collateral Obligation, except that such “deliverable obligation” may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a “credit event”.

See “Security for the Notes—Purchase of Collateral Obligations” and “—Eligibility Criteria.”

**Concentration Limitations**..... Upon a purchase of a Collateral Obligation, the Eligibility Criteria require that each of the limits set forth below with respect to a particular type of Investment Obligation (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) as a percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount (the “**Concentration Limitations**”) is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced:

	Percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount
(1) Senior Secured Loans, Second Lien Loans, Subordinated Lien Loans and Eligible Investments	≥ 92.5%
(a) except that Senior Secured Loans shall meet or exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	≥ 87.5%
(2) unsecured Loans	≤ 3.0%
(3) Subordinated Lien Loans and Second Lien Loans	≤ 10.0%
(4) High-Yield Bonds	≤ 7.5%
(5) Subordinated Lien Loans, Second Lien Loans and High-Yield Bonds	≤ 15.0%
(6) Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans	≤ 15.0%
(7) DIP Loans	≤ 5.0%
(a) except that with satisfaction of the Rating Condition, DIP Loans may constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	≤ 7.5%
(8) S&P Unrated DIP Loans	≤ 2.5%
(9) PIK Securities	≤ 3.0%
(10) Structured Finance Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(a) except that Structured Finance Obligations managed by the Portfolio Manager may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	≤ 5.0%
(b) except that a single issuer together with any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) of a Structured Finance Obligation may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column; and	≤ 3.0%
(c) except that any single issuer whose long-term debt obligations are rated below BBB- by S&P, or are rated BBB- by S&P and are on negative watch for downgrade, other than an issuer with respect to which the Rating Condition has been satisfied, may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column;	0%
(11) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States and Canada	≤ 15.0%
(12) obligors Domiciled in Canada or any single Moody’s Group I Country	≤ 10.0%

(13)	obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group II Country	$\leq 5.0\%$
(14)	obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group III Country	$\leq 2.5\%$
(15)	obligors organized in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction	$\leq 5.0\%$
(16)	obligations in the same S&P Industry Classification	$\leq 8.0\%$
(a)	except that Investment Obligations belonging to two S&P Industry Classifications (not including Telecommunications) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 12.0\%$
(17)	obligations of a single issuer or any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties); provided that	$\leq 1.5\%$
(a)	obligations of a single issuer or any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) that are Loans that are part of a credit facility with a total global aggregate commitment amount of less than \$75,000,000 may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column; and	$\leq 1.0\%$
(b)	obligations (other than described in (a) above) of up to each of five individual issuers (including any of their respective Affiliates but excluding issuers that the Portfolio Manager reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 2.0\%$
(18)	Fixed Rate Obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(19)	obligations that pay interest less frequently than quarterly but no less frequently than annually	$\leq 7.5\%$
(20)	Synthetic Securities	$\leq 20.0\%$
(a)	except that Synthetic Securities that provide for settlement other than by physical delivery may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$
(b)	except that Synthetic Securities that reference a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$
(21)	Participations ( <i>provided</i> , that no Investment Obligations may be a Participation in a Participation)	$\leq 20.0\%$
(22)	Investment Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, in the aggregate may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 20.0\%$
(23)	Investment Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, a single Secondary Risk Counterparty	$\leq$ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Individual Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating*

(24)	Investment Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, all Secondary Risk Counterparties	≤ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under “Aggregate Counterparty Limit” for applicable rating**
(25)	Deep Discount Obligations	≤ 10.0%
(26)	CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(27)	Long-Dated Collateral Obligations	≤ 4.0%
(28)	Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements	≤ 15.0%
(29)	Floating Rate Obligations providing for interest at a non-London interbank offered rate	≤ 5.0%
(30)	Collateral Obligations that are Loans that are part of a credit facility with a total global aggregate commitment amount of less than \$75,000,000	≤ 10.0%
(31)	Collateral Obligations representing units consisting of debt and warrants to purchase equity securities; <i>provided</i> , that with respect to each Collateral Obligation which consists of such a unit of debt and warrants, at the time of purchase of such Collateral Obligation, the aggregate value of the warrants included in such unit must be determined by the Portfolio Manager in good faith to be no more than 2% of the outstanding principal amount of the debt included in such unit	≤ 5.0%
(32)	Finance Leases	≤ 5.0%

\* Applicable long-term unsecured rating by Moody’s or S&P of such Secondary Risk Counterparty (using the limit for the lower of such ratings if different).

\*\* Long-term unsecured rating by Moody’s or S&P at or below a level specified in the Secondary Risk Table (using the lower of such ratings for a Secondary Risk Counterparty, if different).

Subject to the rights of the Portfolio Manager to determine otherwise as set out in the Indenture, solely for the purpose of determining whether the Concentration Limitations are met, Eligible Investments and Cash will be treated as Senior Secured Loans and Floating Rate Obligations.

See “Security For the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.”

### Coverage Tests and the Reinvestment

#### Overcollateralization Test.....

The “**Coverage Tests**” will consist of the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Tests. In addition, the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test, which is not a Coverage Test, will apply as described herein. See “Security For the Notes—The Coverage Tests—The Overcollateralization Tests” and “—The Interest Coverage Tests” for the formulations of these tests. The ratios on which they are based are also described under such headings. The tests will be used to determine, among other things, whether (i) in the case of the Coverage Tests, Notes will be redeemed in the circumstances described under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments,” (ii) in the case of the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test, Collateral Obligations must be acquired from Interest Proceeds as described under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments” and

(iii) in the case of the Coverage Tests, Collateral Obligations may be acquired as described under “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.”

There will not be any Coverage Test applicable to the Class E Certificates.

*The Overcollateralization Tests.....*

The Overcollateralization Tests will consist of the “**Class A Overcollateralization Test**,” the “**Class B Overcollateralization Test**” and the “**Class C Overcollateralization Test**.” Each Overcollateralization Test will be satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes (treating the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, Class A-3 Notes and the Class A-4 Notes as one Class for this purpose) if, as of any Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the specified required level for the specified Class indicated in the table below:

<b>Test</b>	<b>Required Level</b>
Class A Overcollateralization Test	111.7%
Class B Overcollateralization Test	106.0%
Class C Overcollateralization Test	103.8%

*The Interest Coverage Tests .....*

The Interest Coverage Tests will consist of the “**Class A Interest Coverage Test**,” “**Class B Interest Coverage Test**” and the “**Class C Interest Coverage Test**.” Each Interest Coverage Test will be satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes (treating the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class A-4 Notes as one Class for this purpose) if, as of the Determination Date immediately preceding the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level specified in the table below for the specified Class:

<b>Test</b>	<b>Required Level</b>
Class A Interest Coverage Test	125%
Class B Interest Coverage Test	115%
Class C Interest Coverage Test	110%

*Reinvestment Overcollateralization*

*Test*..... A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 104.8%.

**Collateral Quality Tests** ..... The Collateral Quality Tests will be used primarily as criteria for purchasing Collateral Obligations. See “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.” The “**Collateral Quality Tests**” will consist of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Life Test, the Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the S&P CDO Monitor Test, as described below.

*Diversity Test*..... The Diversity Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Diversity Score equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score.

*S&P CDO Monitor Test*..... The S&P CDO Monitor Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive.

*Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test*..... The Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 7.5%.

*Weighted Average Life Test*..... The Weighted Average Life Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and the Payment Date in May 2015 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date.

*Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test*..... The Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody’s Weighted Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 44.75%.

*Weighted Average Rating Factor Test*..... The Weighted Average Rating Factor Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date, if the Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of such Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor.

*Weighted Average S&P Recovery*

*Rate Test* ..... The Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 51.5%.

*Weighted Average Spread Test* ..... The Weighted Average Spread Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if (i) the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread and (ii) the Weighted Average Commitment Fee as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Commitment Fee.

See “Security for the Notes—The Collateral Quality Tests.”

**Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

**for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests** ..... If any of the Overcollateralization Tests is not satisfied on the last day of any Due Period (each, a “**Determination Date**”) or any of the Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied on the Determination Date relating to the second Payment Date or any Determination Date thereafter, funds will be used pursuant to the Priority of Payments to redeem the Notes to the extent necessary for such failing Coverage Tests to be satisfied that would otherwise be used:

- (i) to purchase additional Collateral Obligations during the Reinvestment Period; or
- (ii) to make interest and principal payments on Notes at lower levels of the Priority of Payments than the level at which the applicable Coverage Test is applied, and to make dividend or redemption payments in respect of the Class E Certificates.

See “Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests.”

**Certain Consequences of Failure to Satisfy the Reinvestment**

**Overcollateralization Test** ..... If the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on any Determination Date, certain funds, as described under clause (17) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds,” representing Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be used to pay Administrative Expenses in excess of the Administrative Expense Cap, pay Subordinated Management Fees, make Extension Bonus Payments, make Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments, make distributions on the Class E Certificates and pay the Incentive Management Fee will be deposited instead into the

Collection Account as Principal Proceeds for purposes of investment in additional Collateral Obligations.

**Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

**Upon Rating Confirmation Failure.....** The Issuer will request each of S&P and Moody’s to confirm in writing, by the Business Day after the 29<sup>th</sup> day after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that it has not reduced, suspended or withdrawn the Initial Rating of any Class of Notes or the Class Q-1 Securities and that it has not placed any Class of Notes or the Class Q-1 Securities on credit watch with negative implications. If the Trustee does not receive evidence of such confirmation before the Determination Date relating to the Payment Date following the 29-day period (such an event, a “**Rating Confirmation Failure**”), all Interest Proceeds remaining after payment of amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (15) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” will be used on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date thereafter to pay principal of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class A-4 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes sequentially in order of their priority, in each case until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. If necessary, after the foregoing payments are made out of Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds in accordance with clause (4) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds” will also be used on each Payment Date for such purpose until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. In addition, if otherwise available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to pay principal on the Notes such that the Initial Ratings are confirmed, the Portfolio Manager, in its discretion, may sell Collateral Obligations and use the proceeds to pay principal on the Notes until such Initial Ratings are confirmed. See “Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure.”

**Non-Call Period .....** The period from the Closing Date to but not including the Payment Date in November 2010 (the “**Non-Call Period**”).



**Optional Redemption .....** Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the Holders of at least a Majority of the Class E Certificates may require the Co-Issuers to redeem the Notes, in whole but not in part, from Principal Proceeds and all other funds available for that purpose in the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account and the Revolving Reserve Account in accordance with the redemption procedures described under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.” In such event, the Portfolio Manager will direct the sale of all or part of the Collateral in an amount sufficient that the proceeds of sale therefrom and all other funds available for such purpose in the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account and the Revolving Reserve Account will be at least sufficient to redeem all of the Notes at the applicable redemption price and to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable pursuant to the Priority of Payments.

In addition, the Class A-1A Notes may be prepaid during the Reinvestment Period at the election of the Issuer, subject to certain conditions.

Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at their redemption price described below. From and after the Redemption Date the redeemed Notes will cease to bear interest.

The redemption price payable in connection with the Optional Redemption of any Class of Notes (other than any Class A-1A Note) will be the sum of:

- (i) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of the Note being redeemed; *plus*
- (ii) accrued and unpaid interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest); *plus*
- (iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note; *plus*
- (iv) in the case of the Class A-1B Notes, any accrued and unpaid Delayed Drawdown Fee; *plus*
- (v) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

The “Redemption Price”, when used with respect to any Class A-1A Note, shall be 100% of the Drawn Amount of such Class A-1A Note to be redeemed, plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest) at the applicable Interest

Rate and any accrued and unpaid Commitment Fee Amount.

The redemption price payable in connection with the Optional Redemption of the Class E Certificates will be (i) the entire remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications or (ii) as otherwise specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Class E Certificates, in each case, as described under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

Following the liquidation and distribution of the Collateral in full or early redemption of the Class E Certificates, if any Class P Notes are then Outstanding, on the next succeeding Class P Securities Payment Date the Class P Securities will automatically be redeemed at the applicable Class P Redemption Price.

**Special Redemption .....** The Notes will be subject to redemption in whole or in part by the Co-Issuers on Payment Dates during the Reinvestment Period if the Portfolio Manager elects (subject to the Management Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the investment or reinvestment of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be invested in additional Collateral Obligations (a “**Special Redemption**”). On the first Payment Date following the Due Period for which such notice is effective (a “**Special Redemption Date**”), the funds in the Collection Account representing Principal Proceeds which the Portfolio Manager determines cannot be reinvested in additional Collateral Obligations (the “**Special Redemption Amount**”) will be available to be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments. See “Description of the Securities—Special Redemption of the Notes If the Portfolio Manager Does Not Identify Investments as Contemplated by the Indenture.”

**Revolving Notes.....** Pursuant to a Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement to be entered into among the Co-Issuers, the Revolving Note Agent and the holders of the Class A-1A Notes (the “**Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement**”), the Holders of the Class A-1A Notes will commit to make advances at any time beginning on the Closing Date and ending on the earlier to occur of (a) the later of (i) the end of the Reinvestment Period and (ii) the date on which the

Aggregate Unfunded Amount is zero and (b) the Commitment Termination Date (such period, the “**Draw Period**”), subject to compliance with certain conditions specified therein. The aggregate Borrowings under the Class A-1A Notes at any time will not exceed U.S.\$50,000,000. The Royal Bank of Scotland, plc, will be the initial purchaser of the Class A-1A Notes. See “Description of the Securities—Class A-1A Notes Borrowings.” JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association will serve as the Revolving Note Agent under the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement.

During the Reinvestment Period, the Class A-1A Notes may be prepaid (in whole or in part) without premium on any Business Day at the option of the Issuer (at the direction of the Portfolio Manager) (each, a “**Prepayment**”) from (i) Principal Proceeds otherwise available for reinvestment in Collateral Obligations or (ii) amounts credited to the Revolving Reserve Account so long as, after giving effect thereto, the aggregate Balance of all Eligible Investments credited to the Revolving Reserve Account will be at least equal to the Revolver Funding Reserve Amount. Any amounts repaid may be reborrowed until the date of termination of the Commitments. Accrued interest will be paid to the extent provided in the Indenture, without duplication, on amounts prepaid and reborrowed in the same Interest Period in respect of the actual number of days for which such amounts were drawn.

Each purchaser of Class A-1A Notes during the Draw Period will be required to satisfy the Rating Criteria. If any holder of Class A-1A Notes at any time during the Draw Period fails to comply with the Rating Criteria, such holder will be obligated under the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement to give immediate notice thereof to the Issuer, the Trustee, the Revolving Note Agent and the Rating Agencies and immediately following such notice to fund the full Undrawn Amount of its Class A-1A Notes into a reserve account.

*Commitment Fee on the Revolving Notes* .....

A commitment fee (the “**Commitment Fee**”) will accrue on the Aggregate Undrawn Amount of the Class A-1A Notes at a rate per annum equal to 0.17% (the “**Commitment Fee Rate**”). The Commitment Fee will be payable (if applicable) on the first Payment Date and then quarterly in arrears on each Payment Date and will rank *pari passu* with the payment of interest on the Class A-1 Notes.

**Delayed Drawdown Notes** .....

Pursuant to a Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement to be entered into among the Co-Issuers, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent and the holders of the Class A-1B Notes (the “**Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement**”), the

Holders of the Class A-1B Notes will commit to make advances at any time beginning on the Closing Date and ending on the earlier to occur of (a) the date on which the Fully Drawn Amount of Class A-1B Notes is fully drawn and (b) February 27, 2006 (such period, the “**Delayed Drawdown Period**”), subject to compliance with certain conditions specified therein. Any Aggregate Undrawn Amount of Class A-1B Notes as of the second Business Day prior February 27, 2006 will be drawn on that Business Day and required to be funded on the Business Day prior to February 27, 2006. The aggregate Fully Drawn Amount of the Class B Notes may will not exceed U.S.\$50,000,000. Citigroup Global Markets Inc. will be the initial purchaser of the Class A-1B Notes. See “Description of the Securities—Class A-1B Notes Drawdowns.” JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association will serve as the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent under the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement.

Each purchaser of Class A-1B Notes during the Delayed Drawdown Period will be required to satisfy the Rating Criteria. If any holder of Class A-1B Notes at any time during the Delayed Drawdown Period fails to comply with the Rating Criteria, such holder will be obligated under the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement to give immediate notice thereof to the Issuer, the Trustee, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent and the Rating Agencies and immediately following such notice to fund the full Undrawn Amount of its Class A-1B Notes into a reserve account.

*Delayed Drawdown Fee on the  
Delayed Drawdown Notes .....*

A commitment fee (the “**Delayed Drawdown Fee**”) will accrue on the Aggregate Undrawn Amount of the Class A-1B Notes at a rate per annum equal to 0.17% (the “**Delayed Drawdown Fee Rate**”). The Delayed Drawdown Fee will be payable (if applicable) on the first Payment Date and will rank *pari passu* with the payment of interest on the Class A-1 Notes.

**The Offering.....**

The Securities are being offered only (i) in the United States, to (a) in the case of the Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities, “qualified institutional buyers” as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act (“Qualified Institutional Buyers”) or (b) in the case of the Class E Certificates only, Qualified Institutional Buyers or “accredited investors” as defined in Rule 501(a) of Regulation D under the Securities Act (“Accredited Investors”), in each case that are also “qualified purchasers” as defined for purposes of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act (“Qualified Purchasers”) or, in the case of Class E Certificates only, “knowledgeable employees” as defined in Rule 3c-5 under the Investment Company Act.

The Securities are being offered outside the United States to non-U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act) in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act. Certain additional offering restrictions also apply. See “Transfer Restrictions.”

**Form, Registration and Transfer of the Notes.....**

The Notes of each Class (other than the Class A-1A Notes and the Class A-1B Notes) sold to U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S) will each be issued in the form of one or more permanent global notes per Class in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons (each, a “**Rule 144A Global Note**”) deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depositary. With respect to the Rule 144A Global Notes, the Depositary will credit the account of each of its participants with the principal amount of the Notes being purchased by or through the participant. Beneficial interests in a Rule 144A Global Note will be shown on, and transfers thereof will be effected only through, records maintained by the Depositary and its direct and indirect participants. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Global Securities.” Interests in Rule 144A Global Notes may only be beneficially owned by persons who are both (i) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (ii) a Qualified Purchaser.

The Notes of each Class (other than the Class A-1A Notes and the Class A-1B Notes), the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities, in each case sold outside the U.S. in offshore transactions to non-U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act) in reliance on Regulation S will each be initially represented by one or more temporary global securities in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons (each, a “**Temporary Regulation S Global Security**”). On or after the first Business Day following the 40<sup>th</sup> day after the later of the Closing Date and the commencement of the offering of the Notes (the “**Exchange Date**”), interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security will be exchangeable for interests in one or more permanent global notes of the same Class in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons (each, a “**Regulation S Global Security**”), upon certification that the beneficial interests in such Temporary Regulation S Global Security are owned by persons that are not “U.S. person” as defined in Regulation S. The Temporary Regulation S Global Securities and Regulation S Global Securities will be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for the Securities represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, the Depositary for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear or Clearstream.

Beneficial interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream at any time.

Except in the limited circumstances described herein, certificated Securities will not be issued in exchange for beneficial interests in Global Securities. See “Settlement and Clearing.”

All Class Q-1 Securities and Class P Securities sold in the United States or to U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S) will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Class Q-1 Securities or Class P Securities, as applicable, in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (each a “**Certificated Class Q-1 Security**” or “**Certificated Class P Security**”, as applicable).

All Class A-1A Notes will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Class A-1A Notes in definitive, fully registered form, without interest coupons, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the “**Certificated Class A-1A Notes**”).

All Class A-1B Notes will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Class A-1B Notes in definitive, fully registered form, without interest coupons, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the “**Certificated Class A-1B Notes**” and, together with the Certificated Class A-1A Notes, the “Certificated Class A-1 Notes”).

Transfers of interests in the Notes, Class Q-1 Securities and Class P Securities are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Indenture. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Global Securities” and “Transfer Restrictions.” Each purchaser of an interest in the Notes, Class Q-1 Securities or Class P Securities in making its purchase will be required to make, or will be deemed to have made, as the case may be, certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements. See “Transfer Restrictions.”

**Form, Registration and Transfers of  
the Class E Certificates .....**

The Class E Certificates sold outside the U.S. in offshore transactions to non-U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act) in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act will be initially represented by one or more temporary global certificates in definitive, fully registered form (the “**Temporary Regulation S Global**”).

**Class E Certificates”).**

On or after the first Business Day following the 40<sup>th</sup> day after the Exchange Date, interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate will be exchangeable for interests in one or more permanent global Class E Certificates in definitive, fully registered form (a “**Regulation S Global Class E Certificate**”), upon certification that the beneficial interests in such Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate are owned by persons that are not “U.S. person” as defined in Regulation S. The Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificates and Regulation S Global Class E Certificates will be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for the Class E Certificates represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, the Depositary for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear or Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate or Regulation S Global Class E Certificates may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream at any time.

All Class E Certificates sold in the United States or to U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S) will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Class E Certificates in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the “**Certificated Class E Certificates**”).

Transfers of the Class E Certificates are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Class E Certificate Documents. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Class E Certificates” and “Transfer Restrictions.” Each purchaser of Class E Certificates in making its purchase will be required to make or deemed to have made certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements. See “Transfer Restrictions.”

**Ratings .....** It is a condition of the issuance of the Securities that each Class of Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities are rated at least as indicated in the table under “—Principal Terms of the Securities” on the Closing Date.

No rating of the Class E Certificates has been sought or obtained in connection with the issuance thereof.

Each of such ratings assumes that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date. In addition, (i) the rating of the Class Q-1 Securities addresses solely the return of the Class Q-1 Rated Principal, (ii) the rating of the Class P-1

Securities addresses solely the ultimate payment of the Class P-1 Rated Principal and (iii) the rating of the Class P-2 Securities which addresses solely the ultimate payment of the Class P-2 Rated Principal.

A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning Rating Agency. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—Future Ratings of the Notes Are Not Assured and Limited in Scope; the Class E Certificates are Not Rated.”

**Listing .....** Application will be made to the Irish Stock Exchange for the Notes to be admitted to the Daily Official List, but there can be no assurance that such listing will be granted. Application has been made to the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange for the Class E Certificates, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities to be admitted to the official list of the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange, but there can be no assurance that such listing will be granted. In addition, the Indenture will not require the Issuer to maintain a listing for any Class of Notes on the Irish Stock Exchange or any other E.U. stock exchange if compliance with European Union directives (or other requirements adopted by the European Commission or a relevant Member State) becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Portfolio Manager. Further, neither the Indenture nor the Class E Certificate Documents will require the Issuer to maintain a listing for the Class E Certificates, the Class Q-1 Securities or the Class P Securities on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange or any other stock exchange, if compliance with the rules of such stock exchange becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Portfolio Manager. The issuance and settlement of the Securities on the Closing Date will not be conditioned on the listing of the Notes on the Irish Stock Exchange or the listing of the Class E Certificates, Class Q-1 Securities or the Class P Securities on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange.

**Governing Law .....** The terms and conditions of the Class E Certificates (including the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component, the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component and the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component) (as set forth in the Issuer Charter and the Resolutions) will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the Cayman Islands. The Indenture Securities (except with respect to any Class E Certificate Component), the Indenture, the Management Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Class E Certificate Paying Agency Agreement and any Hedge Agreements will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the State



	of New York.
<b>Tax Status</b> .....	See “Income Tax Considerations.”
<b>ERISA Considerations</b> .....	See “ERISA Considerations.”
<b>Additional Issuance</b> .....	At any time during the Reinvestment Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Class E Certificates and use the net proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or for other purposes permitted under the Indenture if the conditions for such additional issuance described under “Description of the Securities—Supplemental Indentures—Additional Issuance of Class E Certificates” are met.

## **RISK FACTORS**

*An investment in the Securities involves certain risks. Prospective investors should carefully consider the following factors, in addition to the matters set forth elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum, prior to investing in any Class of Securities. Prospective purchasers of the Class Q-1 Securities and Class P Securities should consider, in addition to the matters set forth elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum, the risks applicable to the Class Q-1 Components and Class P Components, as applicable. Unless otherwise indicated or the context otherwise requires, all statements in these “Risk Factors” and elsewhere herein concerning the Notes in general or the Class C Notes in particular also relate to the applicable Class Q-1 Note Component, and all such statements concerning the Class E Certificates also relate to the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component and the Class P Class E Certificate Component.*

### **Investor Suitability**

An investment in the Securities will not be appropriate or suitable for all investors. Structured investment products, like the Securities, are complex instruments, and typically involve a high degree of risk and are intended for sale only to sophisticated investors who are capable of understanding and assuming the risks involved. Any investor purchasing Securities should conduct its own investigation and analysis of an investment in the Securities and consult with its own professional advisors as to the risks involved in making such investment.

### **General; Priorities of Securities**

The Issuer intends to invest in securities and other financial assets with certain risk characteristics as provided in the Indenture and the Management Agreement. See “Security for the Notes.” There can be no assurance that the Issuer’s investments will be successful, that its investment objectives will be achieved, that investors will receive their initial investments under the Securities or that they will receive any return (or avoid any loss, including total loss) on their investment in the Securities. Prospective investors are therefore advised to review this entire Offering Memorandum carefully and should consider, among other things, the risk factors described herein (along with, among other things, the inherent risks of investment activities) before deciding whether to invest in the Securities.

Except as is otherwise stated below, the risk factors are generally applicable to all the Securities, although the degree of risk associated with each Class of Securities may vary depending among other factors on its position in the priority of payments under the Indenture.

### **Relating to the Securities**

#### *The Securities Will Have Limited Liquidity*

There is currently no market for the Securities. There can be no assurance that a secondary market for any Class of Securities will develop, or if a secondary market does develop, that it will provide the Holders of the applicable Class of Securities with liquidity of investment or that it will continue for the life of such Class of Securities. In addition, each Class of Securities is subject to certain transfer restrictions and can only be transferred to certain transferees as described under “Transfer Restrictions.” The restrictions on the transfer of the Securities may further limit their liquidity. Consequently, an investor in the Securities must be prepared to hold such Securities until their Stated Maturity or, in the case of the Class E Certificates, the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date. In addition, the Securities will not be registered under the Securities Act or any state securities laws, and the Co-Issuers have no plans, and are under no obligation, to register the Securities under the Securities Act.

*The Subordination of the Class A-2 Notes, Class A-3 Notes, Class A-4 Notes, Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class E Certificates Will Affect Their Right to Payment in Relation to the More Senior Securities*

The Class A-2 Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A-1 Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class A-2 Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A-1 Notes and certain other amounts (including certain management fees payable to the Portfolio Manager, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class A-2 Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A-1 Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

The Class A-3 Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class A-3 Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A-1 Notes and on the Class A-2 Notes and certain other amounts (including certain management fees payable to the Portfolio Manager, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class A-3 Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

The Class A-4 Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class A-4 Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A-1 Notes, on the Class A-2 Notes and on the Class A-3 Notes and certain other amounts (including certain management fees payable to the Portfolio Manager, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class A-4 Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

The Class B Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class B Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and certain other amounts (including certain management fees payable to the Portfolio Manager, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class B Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

The Class C Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class C Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes and certain other amounts (including certain management fees payable to the Portfolio Manager, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class C Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class C Deferred Interest and in certain circumstances in which the Class C Coverage Tests are not satisfied.

No payments will be made out of Interest Proceeds on the Class E Certificates on any Payment Date until due and unpaid interest on the Notes (including any Deferred Interest) and certain other amounts (including amounts due under the Hedge Agreements, certain management fees payable to the Portfolio Manager, hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid on the Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments. No payments will be made out of Principal Proceeds on the Class E Certificates until principal of each Class of Notes and certain other amounts

payable out of Principal Proceeds on each Payment Date have been paid in full. In addition, the Class E Certificates will not be redeemed until each Class of Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

In addition, the Co-Issuers will have only nominal unpreferred equity capitalization. Consequently, to the extent that any losses are suffered by any of the Holders of any Securities, the losses will be borne first by the Holders of the Class E Certificates, then by the Holders of the Class C Notes, then by the Holders of the Class B Notes, then by the Holders the Class A-4 Notes, then by the Holders the Class A-3 Notes, then by the Holders the Class A-2 Notes, and then by the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes.

See “Description of the Securities.”

*Interest Will Be Deferred on Deferred Interest Notes if There Are Insufficient Funds under the Priority of Payments for Payment of Interest*

So long as any Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes, Class A-3 Notes or Class A-4 Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class B Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes as Class B Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on such Payment Date will not be an Event of Default. Class B Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class A-4 Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds and to the payment of current interest on the Class B Notes.

So long as any Class A Notes or Class B Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class C Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes as Class C Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on such Payment Date will not be an Event of Default. Class C Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, Class A-3 Notes, Class A-4 Notes and the Class B Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds and to the payment of current interest on the Class C Notes.

*Interest Proceeds May Be Used to Reinvest Prior to any Payments to Holders of Class E Certificates*

If the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test is not met on any Determination Date, a portion of the Interest Proceeds that might otherwise have been used to pay Administrative Expenses in excess of the Administrative Expense Cap, pay Subordinated Management Fees, make Extension Bonus Payments, pay Defaulted Hedge Termination payments, make distributions on the Class E Certificates and pay the Incentive Management Fee on the related Payment Date will instead be deposited into the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds which may be used for the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations, as described under clause (17) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

*The Controlling Class Will Control Many Rights under the Indenture; However, Some Rights of the Controlling Class to Sell the Collateral in Connection with an Event of Default Are Limited*

Under the Indenture, many rights of the Holders of the Notes will be controlled by a Majority of the Controlling Class. Remedies pursued by the Holders of the Controlling Class upon an Event of Default could be adverse to the interests of the Holders of Securities subordinated to the Controlling

Class. After any realization on the Collateral, proceeds will be allocated in accordance with the Priority of Payments pursuant to which the Notes and certain other amounts owing by the Co-Issuers will be paid in full before any allocation to the Class E Certificates, and each Class of Notes (along with certain other amounts owing by the Co-Issuers) will be paid serially in order of seniority until it is paid in full before any allocation is made to the next most Junior Class of Notes.

However, the ability of the Controlling Class to direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral is subject to certain limitations. As described under “Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default,” if an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee must retain the Collateral intact and collect all payments in respect of the Collateral and continue making payments in accordance with the Priority of Payments and in accordance with the Indenture unless either (A) the Trustee determines that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other net amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds,” and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination or (B) either (x) (except in the case of an Event of Default described in clause (y)) the Holders of a Majority of each of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class A-4 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral or (y) in the case of an Event of Default because the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is less than 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class A-4 Notes, the Majority of the Class A Notes (voting together as a single Class) direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral.

*Net Proceeds Less Than Aggregate Amount of the Notes*

It is anticipated that the proceeds received by the Issuer on the Closing Date from the issuance of the Securities, net of certain fees and expenses, will be less than the aggregate amount of Securities. Consequently, it is anticipated that on the Closing Date the Collateral would be insufficient to repay the purchase price of the Securities in the event of an Event of Default under the Indenture on that date.

*The Issuer is Highly Leveraged, which Increases Risks to Investors*

The Issuer will be substantially leveraged. Use of leverage is a speculative investment technique and involves certain risks to investors in the Securities. The leverage provided to the Issuer by the issuance of the Securities will result in interest expense and other costs incurred in connection with the borrowings that may not be covered by the net interest income, dividends and appreciation of the Collateral Obligations. The use of leverage generally magnifies the Issuer’s risk of loss, particularly for the more subordinate Classes of Notes and the Class E Certificates. In certain circumstances, such as in connection with the exercise of remedies following an Event of Default, the Controlling Class may require the Issuer to dispose of some or all of the Collateral Obligations under unfavorable market conditions, thus causing the Issuer to recognize a loss that might not otherwise have occurred. In certain circumstances, the Controlling Class or certain other Noteholders are entitled to direct the sales of Collateral Obligations and may be expected to do so in their own interest, rather than in the interests of the more subordinate Classes of Securities.

*Ongoing Commitments of the Class A-1A Notes*

Holders of the Class A-1A Notes will be obligated, subject to compliance by the Issuer with certain borrowing conditions, to advance funds to the Issuer during the Draw Period so long as the aggregate Drawn Amount of the Class A-1A Notes does not exceed the aggregate amount of Commitments. If a holder of a Class A-1A Note should fail to advance funds to the Issuer as required under the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement, the Issuer may be forced to obtain substitute sources of

liquidity by selling Collateral Obligations (to the extent permitted by the Indenture) to meet the Issuer's obligations to fund Delayed Drawdown Loans and Revolving Loans. Such forced sales of Collateral Obligations by the Issuer may be at disadvantageous prices to the Issuer. If the Issuer is unable to obtain substitute sources of liquidity, the Issuer may default on its obligations to fund Delayed Drawdown Loans and Revolving Loans.

In addition, as described in "Description of the Securities—Class A-1 Funding Allocations", until the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes have been paid in full, the holders of the Class A-1A Notes will be absolutely and unconditionally obligated in certain circumstances to make advances in order to prepay a portion of the principal of the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes then outstanding. Failure by a Holder of Class A-1A Notes to perform such obligations may adversely affect the Holders of other Classes.

*Delayed Drawdown of the Class A-1B Notes*

Holders of the Class A-1B Notes will be obligated, subject to compliance by the Issuer with certain drawdown conditions, to advance funds to the Issuer during the Delayed Drawdown Period so long as the aggregate Drawn Amount of the Class A-1B Notes does not exceed the Fully Drawn Amount. If a holder of a Class A-1B Note should fail to advance funds to the Issuer as required under the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement, the Issuer may not be able to purchase additional Collateral Obligations, which may adversely affects the return on the Securities.

*The Issuer Is Newly Formed, Has No Significant Operating History, Has No Material Assets Other than the Collateral and Is Limited in its Permitted Activities*

The Issuer is a newly formed entity and has no significant operating history. The Issuer will have no material assets other than the Collateral and Class P Collateral. The Indenture provides that the Issuer is not permitted to engage in any business activity other than the issuance of the Securities and the Ordinary Shares, the acquisition and disposition of and investment and reinvestment in Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, entry into Hedge Agreements and Securities Lending Agreement and other activities incidental to the foregoing. Income derived from the Collateral will be the Issuer's sole source of cash for making payments on the Securities.

*The Co-Issuer Is Newly Formed, Has No Significant Operating History, Has No Material Assets and Is Limited in its Permitted Activities*

The Co-Issuer is a newly formed Delaware corporation and has no prior operating history. The Co-Issuer will have no material assets. The Indenture provides that the Co-Issuer is not permitted to engage in any business activity other than the co-issuance and sale of the Notes, the issuance of its share capital, and other activities incidental to the foregoing.

*The Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities Are Limited Recourse Obligations of the Issuer and Non-Recourse Obligations of the Co-Issuer; Investors Must Rely on Available Collections from the Collateral and Will Have No Other Source for Payment*

The Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer and non-recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuer. The Class Q-1 Securities will be limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer to the extent of the related Class Q-1 Note Component. The Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities are payable solely from the Collateral pledged by the Issuer to secure the Notes. Distributions on the Class Q-1 Securities will be made in respect of the Class Q-1 Components as described herein. None of the security holders, members, officers, directors, partners, or incorporators of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Administrator, the Class E Certificates Registrar, the Share Trustee, any of their respective affiliates, or

any other person will be obligated to make payments on the Notes or the Class Q-1 Securities. The Issuer's ability to make interest payments and principal repayments on the Notes will be constrained by the terms of the Indenture. Holders of the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities must rely solely on collections received on the Collateral pledged to secure the Notes for the payment of interest and principal on the Notes, and there can be no assurance that those collections will be sufficient to pay all amounts due on the Notes. If distributions on the Collateral are insufficient to make payments on the Notes, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and, following liquidation of all of the Collateral, the Co-Issuers will not have any obligation to pay any deficiency, which shall be extinguished and shall not revive.

*The Class E Certificates are not Secured Obligations; Investors Must Rely on Available Collections from the Collateral and Will Have No Other Source for Payment*

The Class E Certificates (including the Class E Certificate Components) are part of the issued share capital of the Issuer. The Class E Certificates are preferred equity interests in the Issuer and are not secured by the Collateral Obligations or other Collateral securing the Notes. As such, the Holders of Class E Certificates will rank behind all creditors, whether secured or unsecured and known or unknown, of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the holders of the Notes and any Hedge Counterparties. Except with respect to the obligations of the Issuer to pay the amounts described under the "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" and "—Principal Proceeds", the Issuer does not, however, expect to have any creditors, although there can be no assurance that this will be the case. See "The Co-Issuers—Business." Payments in respect of the Class E Certificates are subject to certain requirements imposed by Cayman Islands law. Any amounts paid by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent as dividends on the Class E Certificates will be payable only if the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or balance in the Issuer's certificate premium account. In addition, dividends and the final payment upon redemption of the Class E Certificates will be payable only to the extent that the Issuer is and will remain solvent after such dividends or redemption payment is paid. Under Cayman Islands law, a company is generally deemed to be solvent if it is able to pay its debts as they become due.

The Issuer's obligation to pay dividends or to make other distributions to the Holders of the Class E Certificates will therefore not be a secured obligation of the Issuer and such Holders will not be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture, nor will the Trustee have any obligation to act on behalf of the Holders of Class E Certificates. Holders of the Class E Certificates will only be entitled to receive amounts available for payment of dividends or other distributions after payment of all amounts payable on each Class of Notes and certain other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments and only to the extent of distributable profits of the Issuer and/or any balance in the Issuer's certificate premium account and (in each case) only to the extent that the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distributions.

To the extent the requirements under Cayman Islands law described in the preceding paragraphs are not met, amounts otherwise payable to the Holders of the Class E Certificates will be retained in the Class E Certificates Distribution Account until, in the case of dividends, the next succeeding Payment Date on which the Issuer notifies the Class E Certificate Paying Agent such requirements are met and, in the case of any payment on redemption of the Class E Certificates, the next succeeding Business Day on which the Issuer notifies the Class E Certificate Paying Agent such requirements are met. Amounts on deposit in the Class E Certificates Distribution Account will not be available to pay amounts due to the Holders of the Notes, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Portfolio Manager, any Hedge Counterparty or any other creditor of the Issuer whose claim is limited in recourse to the Collateral. However, amounts on deposit in the Class E Certificates Distribution Account may be subject to the claims of creditors of the Issuer that have not contractually limited their recourse to the Collateral. The Indenture and the Class E Certificate Documents will limit the Issuer's activities to the issuance and sale of the Securities, the acquisition and disposition of, and investment and reinvestment in, the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments and the other activities related to the issuance and sale of the

Securities described under the “The Co-Issuers.” The Issuer therefore does not expect to have any significant full recourse liabilities that would be payable out of the amounts on deposit in the Class E Certificates Distribution Account.

*The Class P Securities Are Limited Recourse Obligations of the Issuer*

The Class P-1 Securities and the Class P-2 Securities will be limited recourse obligations of the Issuer (except to the extent of their Class E Certificate Components). The Class P-1 Collateral will secure the Class P-1 Securities (other than the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component), and the Class P-2 Collateral will secure the Class P-2 Securities (other than the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component). Distributions on the Class P Securities will be made in respect of their respective components as described herein.

None of the security holders, members, officers, directors, partners, or incorporators of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Administrator, the Class E Certificates Registrar, the Share Trustee, any of their respective affiliates, or any other person will be obligated to make payments on the Class P Securities. In the event that the Class P-1 Collateral is not sufficient to pay the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class P-1 Securities or the Class P-2 Collateral is not sufficient to pay the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class P-2 Securities, the Issuer will have no obligation whatsoever to pay any such deficiency, except, in each case to the extent of payment, if any, with respect to the related Class P Class E Certificate Component in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Class E Certificate Documents.

*The Issuer May Not Be Able to Invest and Reinvest Available Funds in Appropriate Collateral*

The amount of Collateral Obligations purchased or refinanced on the Closing Date, the amount and timing of the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations before the Ramp-Up Completion Date, and the subsequent reinvestment of Principal Proceeds, will affect the cash flows available to make payments on, and the return to the Holders of, the Securities. Reduced liquidity and relatively lower volumes of trading in certain Collateral Obligations, in addition to restrictions on investment represented by the Eligibility Criteria, could result in periods during which the Issuer is not able to fully invest its available cash in Collateral Obligations, and it is unlikely that the Issuer’s available cash will be fully invested in Collateral Obligations at any time. The longer the period before reinvestment of cash or cash-equivalents in Collateral Obligations and the larger the amount of uninvested cash or cash equivalents, the greater the adverse impact may be on aggregate interest collected and distributed by the Issuer, thereby resulting in lower yield than could have been obtained if the net proceeds associated with the offering of the Securities and all Principal Proceeds were immediately and fully reinvested. The associated reinvestment risk on the Collateral Obligations will be borne first by the Holders of the Class E Certificates and second by the Holders of the Notes (beginning with the most subordinated Class of Notes). Although the Portfolio Manager may mitigate this risk to some degree during the Reinvestment Period by declaring a Special Redemption, the Portfolio Manager is not required to do so, and any Special Redemption may result in a lower yield on the Issuer’s assets than could have been obtained if the net proceeds from the offering of the Securities and all Principal Proceeds were immediately and fully reinvested and no Special Redemption had taken place.

Generally, Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations, and Sale Proceeds received on the Collateral Obligations) will be reinvested during the Reinvestment Period (and Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations may be invested on any date after the Reinvestment Period, at the discretion of the Portfolio Manager) in substitute Collateral Obligations or temporarily reinvested in the Eligible Investments pending reinvestment in substitute Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The earnings with respect to



substitute Collateral Obligations will depend, among other factors, on reinvestment rates available in the marketplace at the time and on the availability of investments acceptable to the Portfolio Manager that satisfy the criteria under “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.” The need to satisfy the criteria and identify acceptable investments may require the purchase of substitute Collateral Obligations having lower yields than those initially acquired or require that Principal Proceeds be held temporarily in cash or Eligible Investments, which will reduce the yield earned by the Issuer. Further, issuers of Collateral Obligations may be more likely to exercise any rights they may have to redeem them when interest rates or spreads are declining. Any decrease in the yield on the Collateral Obligations will reduce the amounts available to make payments of principal and interest on the Notes and payments on the Class E Certificates.

The Issuer expects that, as of the Closing Date, it will have purchased (or entered into commitments to purchase) at least \$815,000,000 in Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations.

*Changes in Tax Law Could Result in the Imposition of Withholding Taxes with Respect to Payments on the Securities, and the Issuer Will Not Gross-Up Payments to Holders*

Although no withholding tax is currently imposed by the United States or the Cayman Islands on payments on the Securities, there can be no assurance that, as a result of any change in any applicable law, treaty, rule, regulation, or interpretation thereof, the payments with respect to the Securities would not in the future become subject to withholding taxes. If any withholding tax is imposed on payments on any Securities, the Issuer will not “gross up” payments to their Holders.

*A Determination that the Issuer were Engaged in a U.S. Trade or Business would Reduce the Amounts Available to Make Payments on the Securities*

The Issuer expects to conduct its affairs so that its net income will not become subject to United States federal income tax. There can be no assurance, however, that its net income will not become subject to United States federal income tax as the result of activities by the Issuer, changes in law or contrary conclusions by United States tax authorities. Imposition of such taxes would reduce the amounts available to make payments on the Securities and there can be no assurance that remaining payments on the Collateral would be sufficient to make payments on all Classes of Securities.

*The Securities Are Subject to Substantial Transfer Restrictions*

The Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act, under any U.S. state securities or “Blue Sky” laws, or under the securities laws of any other jurisdiction and are being issued and sold in reliance upon exemptions from registration provided by those laws. No Securities may be sold or transferred unless the sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act (for example, in reliance on exemptions provided by Rule 144A or Regulation S) and applicable state securities laws, and the sale or transfer does not cause either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral to become subject to the registration requirements of the Investment Company Act. Certain other transfer restrictions apply. See “Transfer Restrictions” and “ERISA Considerations.”

*Non-Compliance with Restrictions on Ownership of the Securities under the United States Investment Company Act of 1940 Could Adversely Affect the Issuer*

Neither of the Co-Issuers has registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) as an investment company pursuant to the Investment Company Act. The Issuer has not so registered in reliance on an exclusion from the definition of “investment company” for companies organized under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States or any of its states: (i) whose investors residing in the United States are solely “qualified purchasers” (within the meaning given to such term in the Investment Company Act and related SEC regulations); and (ii) that do not make a

public offering of their securities in the United States. The Co-Issuer also has not registered with the SEC as an investment company, based on the fact that the Co-Issuer has no assets that could be construed as the holding of “securities” under the Investment Company Act. No opinion or no-action position with respect to the registration of either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral under the Investment Company Act has been requested of, or received from, the SEC.

If the SEC or a court of competent jurisdiction were to find that the Issuer or the Co-Issuer is required, but in violation of the Investment Company Act has failed, to register as an investment company, possible consequences include the following: (i) the SEC could apply to a district court to enjoin the violation; (ii) investors in the Issuer or the Co-Issuer could sue the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, and recover any damages caused by the violation; and (iii) any contract to which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, is party whose performance involves a violation of the Investment Company Act would be unenforceable by any party to the contract unless a court were to find that under the circumstances enforcement would produce a more equitable result than non-enforcement and would not be inconsistent with the purposes of the Investment Company Act.

In addition, the Issuer’s or the Co-Issuer’s being required to register as an investment company would result in an Event of Default. See “Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default.” Should the Issuer or the Co-Issuer be subjected to any or all of the foregoing, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, would be materially and adversely affected.

*The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary*

The Stated Maturity of the Notes is the Payment Date in November 2017 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date. The weighted average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years until their Stated Maturity. See “Description of the Securities.” The weighted average life of a Class of Notes will be affected by the amount and timing of payments of principal of the Notes and the amount and timing of payments received on the Collateral Obligations. The amount and timing of payments of principal on the Notes will be affected by, among other things, any Optional Redemption of the Notes, a failure of any Coverage Test, a Rating Confirmation Failure, any failure by the Portfolio Manager to invest or reinvest uninvested proceeds of the offering of the Securities in Collateral Obligations, any Special Redemption of one or more Classes of Notes, and an Event of Default by the Issuer and an acceleration of the principal of the Notes in connection with an Event of Default. The occurrence of any of the foregoing unscheduled principal repayments of the Notes, in turn, may be determined by the amount and timing of payments on the Collateral, which will be dependent on, among other things, the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral and the characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, including the existence and frequency of exercise of any prepayment, optional redemption, or sinking fund features, the prevailing level of interest rates and spreads, the redemption price, the actual default rate and the actual level of recoveries on any Defaulted Collateral Obligations, the frequency of tender or exchange offers for the Collateral Obligations and any sales of Collateral Obligations, dividends or other distributions received on any obligations that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange do not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, as well as the risks unique to investments in obligations of foreign issuers. See “Security for the Notes.”

*A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected.*

Under the Indenture, the Issuer, if directed by the Portfolio Manager, shall be entitled, on each Extension Effective Date, to extend the Stated Maturity (a maximum of four times) to the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Stated Maturity no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. Under the Indenture and the Class E Certificate Documents, if the Stated Maturity is so extended, the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date will be equally extended and the Weighted Average Life Test and Reinvestment Period shall be automatically extended without the requirement for any approval or consent of any Holders of Securities. Holders of Securities will not be able to prevent or prohibit the extension of the Stated Maturity of the Notes (or, in the case of the Class E Certificates, the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date) so long as the Extension Conditions are satisfied, which include the ability of Holders of Securities to sell their Securities at the designated purchase price to a designated purchaser under the Indenture. However, in the case of the Class E Certificates, the Indenture provides that Holders of Class E Certificates that have received a Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12% as of the Extension Effective Date will not receive any payment in exchange for their Class E Certificates sold in connection with a Maturity Extension; *provided, however* that in the case of the 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> Maturity Extension, for any single Holder of Class E Certificates who holds Class E Certificate with an aggregate Face Amount of at least U.S.\$30,000,000 and cannot consent to the Maturity Extension due to tax, regulatory, compliance or accounting rules or investment policies (whether internally or externally governed), the designated purchase price payable to such Holder for its Class E Certificates will be an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Class E Certificates since the Closing Date would cause such Class E Certificates to have received a Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return of 15%.

As a consequence, if the Portfolio Manager elects to extend the Stated Maturity and the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Holders of the Securities may either be required to hold their Securities for a significantly longer period of time or be forced to sell their Securities for the applicable purchase price under the Indenture, potentially resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Securities.

Upon the Extension Effective Date of the second Maturity Extension, if any, and the Extension Effective Date of the fourth Maturity Extension, if any, it is likely that continuing holders of Securities will be treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as exchanging their Securities for newly issued longer-term Securities. Although Holders generally should not recognize gain or loss upon such a deemed exchange except to the extent of any Extension Bonus Payment, holders who purchased Securities at a discount could be required as a consequence of the deemed exchange to accrue such discount as interest income on a current basis as OID. See “Income Tax Considerations.”

*An Amendment Buy-Out May Result in a Shorter Holding Period Than Expected.*

Any Non-Consenting Holder of Securities with respect to an amendment of the Indenture (which includes Holders that fail to respond to a consent solicitation within the applicable period) may be forced to sell its applicable Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Securities. In the case of the Class E Certificates, the Indenture provides that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price will be zero for Non-Consenting Holders that have received a Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12% as of the Amendment Buy-Out Date. See “Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out.” A Holder’s ability to vote against an amendment or affect or influence the amendment process with respect to the Indenture may thus be limited. The Amendment

Buy-Out Option may also increase the ability of the Portfolio Manager to affect or influence the amendment process.

The existence or exercise of the buy-out right may increase the likelihood that an amendment to the Indenture could cause a deemed exchange of a Security for U.S. federal income tax purposes upon which capital gain or loss would be recognized. If such a deemed exchange were treated as a recapitalization, holders generally would not recognize gain or loss except to the extent of any cash received, but holders who purchased Securities at a discount could be required as a consequence of the deemed exchange to accrue such discount as interest income on a current basis as OID. See “Income Tax Considerations.”

*The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests*

If any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied on any Determination Date on which the Notes of the relevant Class are Outstanding, Interest Proceeds available on the related Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments (and, to the extent Interest Proceeds are insufficient, Principal Proceeds available on the Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments) are required to be applied to pay principal on the Notes in the order of priority up to and including the Class to which the Coverage Test relates (other than in certain circumstances with respect to the Class C Coverage Tests in which Interest Proceeds will be applied to the Class C Notes without prior application to any Notes senior to the Class C Notes) to the extent necessary for the relevant Coverage Test to be satisfied. The application of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to pay principal of the Notes to the extent necessary to restore the Coverage Tests to certain minimum required levels could result in an elimination, deferral or reduction in the amounts available to make distributions on the Class E Certificates and interest and principal payments on one or more Classes of Notes, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of the Securities.

*The Indenture Requires Redemption of the Notes or Investment in Additional Collateral Obligations Upon Rating Confirmation Failure*

If the Rating Agencies have not confirmed the initial rating of each Class of Notes by the Business Day after the 29<sup>th</sup> day after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, Interest Proceeds and, if Interest Proceeds are insufficient, Principal Proceeds, are required to be diverted in accordance with the Priority of Payments and used to redeem the Notes sequentially in order of their relative priority on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date thereafter until each rating is confirmed. In addition, the Portfolio Manager may cause Collateral Obligations to be sold to use the proceeds for such redemption. The application of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to redeem the Notes to the extent necessary for one or more ratings to be confirmed could result in an elimination, deferral, or reduction in one or more payments or distributions on one or more Classes of Securities, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of those Classes of Securities.

*The Indenture Permits Special Redemption of Notes Based on the Portfolio Manager’s Inability to Identify Investments*

The Portfolio Manager is permitted under the Indenture to elect to have all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be invested in additional Collateral Obligations applied to a Special Redemption of the Notes, in whole or in part, on one or more Payment Dates during the Reinvestment Period because it has been unable, for a period of at least 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the investment or reinvestment of all such funds. On the Special Redemption Date, in accordance with the Indenture, the Special Redemption Amount will be applied in accordance with “Description of the Securities—Priority of

Payments—Principal Proceeds,” to the extent available (which includes for this purpose uninvested proceeds specified by the Portfolio Manager), to pay the principal of the Notes. The application of funds in that manner could result in an elimination, deferral, or reduction of amounts available to make payments on Securities subordinate in priority to the Securities being amortized. See “Description of the Securities—Special Redemption of Notes If the Portfolio Manager Does Not Identify Investments as Contemplated by the Indenture.”

*The Notes Are Subject to Optional Redemption*

Subject to satisfaction of certain conditions, on any Payment Date upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the Holders of at least a Majority of the Class E Certificates may require that the Notes be redeemed as described under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.” In the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Portfolio Manager may be required to aggregate Collateral Obligations to be sold together in one block transaction, thereby possibly resulting in a lower realized value for the Collateral Obligations sold. There can be no assurance that the market value of the Collateral will be sufficient for the Holders of the Class E Certificates to direct an Optional Redemption of the Notes. A decrease in the market value of the Collateral would adversely affect the Sale Proceeds from their sale. Consequently, the conditions precedent to the exercise of an Optional Redemption may not be met. Moreover, the Holders of the Notes may not be able to invest the proceeds of the redemption of the Notes in investments providing a return equal to or greater than the return the Holders of the Notes expected to obtain from their investment in the Notes.

*Future Ratings of the Notes Are Not Assured and Limited in Scope; the Class E Certificates Are Not Rated*

It is a condition to the issuance of the Securities that the Notes be rated as provided under “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.” A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and is subject to revision or withdrawal at any time. There is no assurance that a rating will remain for any given period or that a rating will not be lowered or withdrawn entirely by each Rating Agency if in its judgment circumstances in the future so warrant. Any such action could have an adverse effect on the Holders of the relevant Class of Securities. If a rating initially assigned to a Class of Securities is subsequently lowered for any reason, no person is obligated to provide any additional credit support or credit enhancement. The ratings of the Securities assumes no Maturity Extensions occur.

No rating of the Class E Certificates will be sought or obtained.

*Events Outside the Control of the Co-Issuers and the Portfolio Manager Can Affect the Securities*

Various acts of God, force majeure, and certain other events beyond the control of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Collateral Administrator, the Indenture Registrar, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent and the Administrator could affect the ability of financial institutions to process payments and transfer funds and could impair the financial records and record-keeping practices of financial institutions and others (including the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Collateral Administrator, the Indenture Registrar, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent and the Administrator). In addition, the existence of those circumstances could cause lenders and other creditors more readily to agree to restructure debt obligations (including payment terms) than they would in the absence of those circumstances. The existence of those circumstances could adversely affect the ability of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, to make timely payments on the Securities.

*The Listing of the Notes on the Irish Stock Exchange Would Subject the Issuer to Emerging Requirements of the European Union*

As part of the harmonization of securities markets in Europe, the European Commission has adopted a directive known as the Prospectus Directive (which was required to be implemented by

Member States by July 1, 2005) that will regulate offers of securities to the public and admissions to trading to E.U. regulated markets. A directive known as the Transparency Directive which came into force in the European Union at the beginning of 2005 and is required to be implemented by Member States by early 2007, will among other things, impose continuing financial reporting obligations on issuers that have certain types of securities admitted to trading on an E.U. regulated market. In addition, the Market Abuse Directive harmonizes the rules on insider trading and market manipulation in respect of securities admitted to trading on an E.U. regulated market and requires issuers of such securities to disclose any non-public price-sensitive information as soon as possible, subject to certain limited exemptions. The listing of the Notes on the Irish Stock Exchange would subject the Issuer to regulation under these directives, although the requirements applicable to the Issuer are not yet fully clarified. The Indenture will not require the Issuer to maintain a listing of any Class of Notes on an E.U. stock exchange if compliance with these directives (or other requirements adopted by the European Commission or a relevant Member State) becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Portfolio Manager.

### **Relating to the Portfolio Manager**

#### *The Issuer Will Depend on the Managerial Expertise Available to the Portfolio Manager and its Key Personnel*

The performance of the Issuer's investment portfolio depends heavily on the skills of the Portfolio Manager in analyzing, selecting and managing the Collateral Obligations. As a result, the Issuer will be highly dependent on the financial and managerial experience of certain investment professionals associated with the Portfolio Manager, none of whom is under a contractual obligation to the Issuer to continue to be associated with the Portfolio Manager for the term of this transaction. The loss of one or more of these individuals could have a material adverse effect on the performance of the Co-Issuers. Furthermore, the Portfolio Manager has informed the Issuer that these investment professionals are also actively involved in other investment activities and will not be able to devote all of their time to the Issuer's business and affairs. In addition, individuals not currently associated with the Portfolio Manager may become associated with the Portfolio Manager and the performance of the Collateral Obligations may also depend on the financial and managerial experience of such individuals. See "The Management Agreement" and "The Portfolio Manager."

#### *The Issuer Will Have Limited Control of the Administration and Amendment of Collateral Obligations*

The Portfolio Manager will cause the Issuer to exercise or enforce, or refrain from exercising or enforcing, its rights in connection with the Collateral Obligations or any related documents or will grant or refuse amendments or waivers of the terms of any Collateral Obligation and related documents in accordance with its ordinary business practices as if the Portfolio Manager were administering the Collateral Obligations for its own account. The authority of the Portfolio Manager to cause the Issuer to change the terms of the Collateral Obligations will generally not be restricted by the Indenture or the Management Agreement. As a result, the Issuer will be relying on the Portfolio Manager's customary standards, policies and procedures with respect to the servicing of the Collateral Obligations. Neither the Issuer nor the Holders of the Securities will have any right to compel the Portfolio Manager to take or refrain from taking any actions other than in accordance with its ordinary business practices.

A modification that would increase the commitment of a lender, reduce the interest rate, or postpone the final maturity of an obligation, or release all of the collateral for an obligation, generally requires the affirmative vote of the participating lender for a loan in which the Issuer owns a Participation, or of the Issuer for a Loan purchased by assignment, for the increase, reduction, or postponement to be binding. The exercise of remedies may also be subject to the vote of a specified percentage of the lenders under the loan obligation. The Portfolio Manager will have the authority to cause the Issuer to consent to these and certain other amendments, waivers, or modifications to the Collateral Obligations requested by

obligors or the lead agents (and Participating Institutions for participation agreements relating to Participations) (subject to operating procedures intended to reduce the risk that the Issuer would be deemed to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States for United States federal income tax purposes). The Portfolio Manager may, subject to the transaction documents, cause the Issuer to extend or defer the maturity, adjust the outstanding balance of any Collateral Obligation, reduce or forgive interest or fees, release material collateral or guarantees, or otherwise amend, modify, or waive the terms of any related loan agreement, including its payment terms. The Portfolio Manager will make determinations in accordance with its servicing standards under the Management Agreement. Any amendment, waiver, or modification of a Collateral Obligation could postpone the expected redemption of the Notes or the expected redemption date of the Class E Certificates, or reduce the likelihood of timely and complete payment of interest or principal under the Notes or a full return of an investment in the Class E Certificates.

*Performance History of the Portfolio Manager May Not Be Indicative of Future Results*

Any prior investment results of the Portfolio Manager, and the persons associated with it or any other entity may not be indicative of the Issuer's future investment results. The nature of, and risks associated with, the Issuer's future investments may differ substantially from those investments and strategies undertaken historically by the Portfolio Manager, and the persons associated with it or any other entity. There can be no assurance that the Issuer's investments will perform as well as the past investments of the Portfolio Manager, and the persons associated with it or any other entity. Moreover, since the investment criteria that govern investments in the Collateral Obligations do not govern the Portfolio Manager's investments and investment strategies generally, investments in the Collateral Obligations conducted in accordance with the investment criteria that govern investments in the Collateral Obligations, and the results they yield, may differ substantially from other investments undertaken by the Portfolio Manager.

*Right of Portfolio Manager to Avoid Removal Without Cause May Result in a Shorter Holding Period of the Class E Certificates Than Expected; Limitations on Right to Remove.*

The Portfolio Manager may be removed without cause upon 90 days' prior written notice by the Issuer, at the direction of the Holders of at least 66-2/3% of the Class E Certificates (excluding Class E Certificates held by the Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates or any account for which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority at the time of such vote); *provided, however*, that the Portfolio Manager shall have the right to avoid such removal if, in accordance with the terms described in "The Management Agreement," the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser purchases not less than all of the Directing Class E Certificates. Upon the occurrence of such purchase by the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser of all of the Directing Class E Certificates, the Holders of such Directing Class E Certificates will be forced to sell their Class E Certificates to the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser at the Buy-Out Amount, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Class E Certificates. The ability of a Holder of Class E Certificates to remove the Portfolio Manager or affect or influence the removal of the Portfolio Manager may thus be limited. Moreover, the Management Agreement provides that any Buy-Out Amount payable to Holders of Directing Class E Certificates will be zero for all Directing Class E Certificates that have received a Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% as of the purchase date; *provided* that in the case of any such purchase date after the Payment Date in November 2018, the Buy-Out Amount payable to any single Holder of Directing Class E Certificates holding U.S.\$30,000,000 or more in aggregate Face Amount of Class E Certificates will only be zero if its Directing Class E Certificates have received a Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 15.0% as of the purchase date. See "The Management Agreement." Accordingly, once these respective thresholds are reached, the Holders of Class E Certificates will effectively have no ability to remove the Portfolio Manager without cause.

## **Relating to the Collateral Obligations**

### *In General, the Collateral Obligations Are Subject to Various Risks*

The Collateral Obligations are subject to credit, liquidity, and interest rate risks, among others. The Eligibility Criteria and the Collateral Quality Tests have been established to address certain assumed deficiencies in payment occasioned by defaults with respect to the Collateral Obligations. If any deficiencies exceed certain modeled scenarios, however, payments or distributions on the Securities could be adversely affected. To the extent that a default occurs with respect to any Collateral Obligation securing the Notes and the Issuer (on the advice of the Portfolio Manager) sells or otherwise disposes of the Collateral Obligation, it is not likely that the proceeds of the sale or other disposition will be equal to the amount of principal and interest owing to the Issuer on the Collateral Obligation.

The value of the Collateral Obligations generally will fluctuate with, among other things, the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral Obligations and, with respect to Synthetic Securities, both the financial condition of the related Synthetic Security counterparties and the obligors on or issuers of the Reference Obligations, general economic conditions, the condition of certain financial markets, political events, developments or trends in any particular industry, and changes in prevailing interest rates.

The ability of the Issuer to sell Collateral Obligations before their maturity is subject to certain restrictions under the Indenture including those described under “Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Reinvestment of Principal Proceeds.”

### *Investing in Below Investment-Grade Obligations Involves Particular Risks*

A substantial amount of the Collateral Obligations will consist of loans, bonds and other obligations that are below investment grade, including high-yield loans and securities. Those Collateral Obligations will have greater credit and liquidity risk than investment grade obligations. They are also often unsecured and may be subordinated to certain other obligations of their issuer. The lower rating of those Collateral Obligations reflects a greater possibility that adverse changes in the financial condition of an issuer or in general economic conditions or both may impair the ability of their issuer to make payments of principal or interest. These Collateral Obligations may be speculative.

Risks of below investment-grade Collateral Obligations may include (among others):

- (i) limited liquidity and secondary market support;
- (ii) in the case of fixed-rate high-yield debt securities, substantial market place volatility resulting from changes in prevailing interest rates;
- (iii) subordination to the prior claims of senior lenders and creditors;
- (iv) the operation of mandatory sinking fund or call and redemption provisions during periods of declining interest rates that could cause the Issuer to reinvest premature redemption proceeds in lower-yielding debt obligations;
- (v) the possibility that earnings of the below investment-grade issuer may be insufficient to meet its debt service; and
- (vi) the declining creditworthiness and potential for insolvency of a below investment-grade issuer during periods of rising interest rates and economic downturn.



An economic downturn or an increase in interest rates could severely disrupt the market for below investment-grade obligations and could adversely affect the value of outstanding below investment-grade obligations and the ability of their issuers to repay principal and interest.

Issuers that are below investment grade may be highly leveraged and may not have available to them more traditional methods of financing. The risk associated with obligations of below investment-grade issuers is generally greater than is the case with investment grade issuers. For example, during an economic downturn or a sustained period of rising interest rates, below investment-grade issuers may be more likely to experience financial stress, especially if they are highly leveraged. During those periods, timely service of debt obligations may also be adversely affected by specific issuer developments, or the issuer's inability to meet specific projected business forecasts or the unavailability of additional financing. The risk of loss from default by the issuer is significantly greater for the holders of below investment-grade obligations because those obligations may be unsecured and may be subordinated to obligations owed to other creditors of the issuer. In addition, the Issuer may incur additional expenses to the extent it is required to seek recovery upon a default on such an obligation or participate in its restructuring.

As a result of the limited liquidity of below investment-grade obligations, their prices have at times experienced significant and rapid decline when a substantial number of holders decided to sell. In addition, the Issuer may have difficulty disposing of certain below investment-grade obligations because there may be a thin trading market for them. To the extent that a secondary trading market for below investment-grade obligations does exist, it is generally not as liquid as the secondary market for highly rated obligations. Reduced secondary market liquidity may have an adverse impact on the Issuer's ability to dispose of particular Collateral Obligations in response to a specific economic event, such as a deterioration in the creditworthiness of the issuer of the Collateral Obligation.

#### *Investing in Loans Involves Particular Risks*

The Collateral Obligations will consist primarily of Dollar-denominated senior secured and senior unsecured loans, which are required by the Indenture to be obligations of corporations, partnerships, or other entities organized under the laws of the United States (or any of its states) or of foreign obligors meeting specified criteria, or Synthetic Securities the Reference Obligations of which are such loans. See "Security for the Notes—Purchase of Collateral Obligations."

Loans may become non-performing for a variety of reasons. Non-performing loans may require substantial workout negotiations or restructuring that may entail, among other things, a substantial reduction in the interest rate or a substantial write-down of the principal of a loan. In addition, because of the unique and customized nature of a loan agreement and the private syndication of a loan, loans typically may not be purchased or sold as easily as publicly traded securities, and historically the trading volume in the bank term loan market has been small relative to the corporate bond market. Loans may encounter trading delays due to their unique and customized nature, and transfers may require the consent of an agent bank or borrower.

The Issuer may acquire interests in loans either directly (by assignment) or indirectly (by Participation or through Synthetic Securities). The Issuer may not originate any loans. The purchaser of an assignment of a loan obligation typically succeeds to all the rights and obligations of the selling institution and becomes a lender under the loan or credit agreement with respect to the debt obligation. In contrast, a Participation acquired by the Issuer in a portion of a loan obligation held by a Participating Institution or a security or other debt obligation typically results in a contractual relationship only with the Participating Institution, not with the borrower. The Issuer would have the right to receive payments of principal, interest, and any fees to which it is entitled under a Participation only from the Participating Institution and only upon receipt by the Participating Institution of those payments from the borrower. In addition, when the Issuer holds a Participation, the Issuer generally will have no right to enforce compliance by the borrower with the loan or credit agreement or other instrument evidencing the related

loan obligation, no rights of set-off against the borrower, no direct interest in the collateral supporting the loan obligation, and no right to vote with respect to amendments of, or waivers of defaults under, the loan obligation. However, most participation agreements relating to Participations in loans provide that the Participating Institution may not vote in favor of any amendment, modification, or waiver that forgives principal, interest, or fees; reduces principal, interest, or fees that are payable; postpones any payment of principal (whether a scheduled payment or a mandatory prepayment), interest or fees; or releases any material guarantee or security without the consent of the participant (at least to the extent the participant would be affected by the amendment, modification, or waiver). A Participating Institution voting in connection with a potential waiver of a default by an obligor may have interests different from those of the Issuer, and the Participating Institution might not consider the interests of the Issuer in connection with its vote. In addition, many participation agreements relating to Participations in loans that do provide voting rights to the participant further provide that if the participant does not vote in favor of amendments, modifications, or waivers, the Participating Institution may repurchase the Participation at par. In the event of the insolvency of the Participating Institution, the Issuer may be treated as a general creditor of the Participating Institution with respect to a Participation and may not benefit from any set-off between the Participating Institution and the borrower and may not be able to proceed against the collateral supporting the loan obligation. As a result, the Issuer is subject to the credit risk of both the borrower and the Participating Institution. An investment by the Issuer in a Synthetic Security related to a Loan involves many of the same considerations relevant to Participations. See also “—Investing in Synthetic Securities Involves Particular Risks” below. The Issuer will be subject to restrictions on the amount of Participations that may be acquired for inclusion in the Collateral. See “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.”

Certain of the loans in the Issuer’s portfolio may be unsecured or secured by collateral worth less than the outstanding balance of the loan. In addition to the general risks associated with loans described above, unsecured loans will not be secured by substantial collateral or any collateral and secured loans may be substantially under-secured. Without collateral and with materially inadequate collateral, the ability of the holder of the loan to recover amounts due from the borrower may be substantially limited.

#### *Investing in Structured Finance Obligations Involves Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of Structured Finance Obligations and Synthetic Securities the Reference Obligations of which are Structured Finance Obligations. Structured Finance Obligations may present risks similar to those of the other types of Collateral Obligations in which the Issuer may invest and, in fact, the risks may be of greater significance in the case of Structured Finance Obligations. Moreover, investing in Structured Finance Obligations may entail a variety of unique risks. Among other risks, Structured Finance Obligations may be subject to prepayment risk, credit risk, liquidity risk, market risk, structural risk, legal risk and interest rate risk (which may be exacerbated if the interest rate payable on a Structured Finance Obligation changes based on multiples of changes in interest rates or inversely to changes in interest rates). In addition, certain Structured Finance Obligations (particularly subordinated collateralized bond obligations) may provide that non-payment of interest is not an event of default in certain circumstances and the holders of the securities will therefore not have available to them any associated default remedies. During the period of non-payment, unpaid interest will generally be capitalized and added to the outstanding principal balance of the related security. Furthermore, the performance of a Structured Finance Obligation will be affected by a variety of factors, including its priority in the capital structure of its issuer, the availability of any credit enhancement, the level and timing of payments and recoveries on and the characteristics of the underlying receivables, loans, or other assets that are being securitized, bankruptcy remoteness of those assets from the originator or transferor, the adequacy of and ability to realize on any related collateral, and the skill of the manager of the Structured Finance Obligation in managing securitized assets. The price of a Structured Finance Obligation, if required to be sold, may be subject to certain market and liquidity risks for securities of its type at the time of sale. In addition, Structured Finance Obligations may involve initial and ongoing expenses above the costs associated with other investments.

*Investing in Synthetic Securities Involves Particular Risks*

As described above, a portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of Synthetic Securities the Reference Obligations of which are Loans, Structured Finance Obligations or High-Yield Bonds. Investments in these types of assets through the purchase of Synthetic Securities present risks in addition to those inherently associated with direct purchases of such assets. With respect to Synthetic Securities, the Issuer will usually have a contractual relationship only with the counterparty of the Synthetic Security, and not the reference obligor on the Reference Obligation. The Issuer will have no right to enforce compliance by the reference obligor with the Reference Obligation nor any rights of set-off against the reference obligor, nor have any voting or other consensual rights of ownership with respect to the Reference Obligation. The Issuer will not directly benefit from any collateral supporting the Reference Obligation and will not have the benefit of the remedies that would normally be available to a holder of the Reference Obligation.

In addition, in the event of the insolvency of the Synthetic Security Counterparty, the Issuer will be treated as a general creditor of the counterparty and will not have any claim of title with respect to the Reference Obligation. Consequently, the Issuer will be subject to the credit risk of the counterparty as well as that of the reference obligor and concentrations of Synthetic Securities entered into with any one counterparty will subject the Securities to an additional degree of risk with respect to defaults by that counterparty. One or more Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser may act as counterparty with respect to all or a portion of the Synthetic Securities, which relationship may create certain conflicts of interest. See “—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Initial Purchaser and the Placement Agent” below. In addition, Synthetic Securities may involve initial and ongoing expenses above the costs associated with the related direct investments. The Issuer will be subject to restrictions on the amount of Synthetic Securities it may own at any one time.

*Some of the Collateral Obligations Will Be Illiquid*

Some of the Collateral Obligations purchased by the Issuer will have no, or only a limited, trading market. The Issuer’s investment in illiquid Collateral Obligations may restrict its ability to dispose of investments in a timely fashion and for a fair price, as well as its ability to take advantage of market opportunities, although the Issuer is generally prohibited by the Indenture from selling Collateral Obligations except under certain limited circumstances described under “Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Reinvestment of Principal Proceeds.” Illiquid Collateral Obligations may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid investments. In addition, the Issuer may invest in privately placed Collateral Obligations that may or may not be freely transferable under the laws of the applicable jurisdiction or due to contractual restrictions on resale, and even if those privately placed Collateral Obligations are transferable, the prices realized from their sale could be less than those originally paid by the Issuer or less than what may be considered their fair value.

*Insolvency Considerations With Respect to Issuers of Collateral Obligations May Affect the Issuer’s Rights*

Various laws enacted for the protection of creditors may apply to the Collateral Obligations. If, in a lawsuit brought by a creditor or representative of creditors of an obligor under a Collateral Obligation (such as a trustee in bankruptcy), a court were to find that the obligor did not receive fair consideration or reasonably equivalent value for incurring the indebtedness evidenced by the Collateral Obligation and, after giving effect to the indebtedness and the use of the proceeds thereof, the obligor (i) was insolvent, (ii) was engaged in a business for which the remaining assets of the obligor constituted unreasonably small capital or (iii) intended to incur, or believed that it would incur, debts beyond its ability to pay them as they mature, the court could determine to invalidate, in whole or in part, the indebtedness as a fraudulent conveyance, to subordinate the indebtedness to existing or future creditors of the obligor, or to recover amounts previously paid by the obligor in satisfaction of the indebtedness. There can be no

assurance as to what standard a court would apply to determine whether the obligor was “insolvent” or that, regardless of the method of valuation, a court would not determine that the obligor was “insolvent,” in each case, after giving effect to the incurrence of the Collateral Obligation and the use of its proceeds. In addition, in the event of the insolvency of an obligor under a Collateral Obligation, payments made on the Collateral Obligation may be subject to avoidance as a “preference” if made within a certain period before insolvency (which may be as long as approximately one year).

In general, if payments on a Collateral Obligation are avoidable, whether as fraudulent conveyances or preferences, the payments can be recaptured either from the initial recipient (such as the Issuer) or from subsequent transferees of the payments (such as the Holders of the Securities). To the extent that any payments are recaptured from the Issuer, the resulting reduction in payments on the Securities will be borne by the Holders of the applicable Class of Securities. A court in a bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding would be able to direct the recapture of any payment from a Holder of the Securities to the extent that the court has jurisdiction over the Holder or its assets. Since there is no judicial precedent relating to structured securities such as the Securities, there can be no assurance that a Holder of Securities will be able to avoid recapture on this basis.

The preceding discussion is based on principles of United States federal and state laws. Insofar as Collateral Obligations that are obligations of non-United States obligors are concerned, the laws of certain foreign jurisdictions may provide for avoidance remedies under factual circumstances similar to, or broader or narrower than, those described above, with consequences that may or may not be analogous to those described above under United States federal and state laws.

#### *Concentration Risks*

Payments on the Notes could be affected by the concentration of the Collateral in Collateral Obligations of any one country, industry or obligor. In addition, Defaulted Collateral Obligations may be highly correlated with particular geographic regions or industries represented in the Collateral. The Indenture will contain limitations on the concentration of the Collateral Obligations in a single Collateral Obligation and will also include diversity requirements intended to achieve diversity across countries and industries, but such requirements and limitations will not necessarily insulate the Co-Issuers or the Holders of Notes from the risks of geographic or industry concentration.

#### *International Investing Involves Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of obligations of obligors Domiciled outside the United States. Investing outside the United States may involve greater or different risks than investing in the United States. These risks may include: less publicly available information; varying levels of governmental regulation and supervision; the difficulty of enforcing legal rights in a foreign jurisdiction and uncertainties as to the status, interpretation and application of laws. Moreover, foreign companies may be subject to accounting, auditing, and financial reporting standards, practices, and requirements different from those applicable to U.S. companies.

There generally is less governmental supervision and regulation of exchanges, brokers and issuers in foreign countries than there is in the United States. For example, there may be no comparable provisions under certain foreign laws with respect to insider trading and similar investor protection securities laws that apply with respect to securities transactions consummated in the United States.

Foreign markets also have different clearance and settlement procedures, and in certain markets there have been times when settlements have failed to keep pace with the volume of securities transactions, making it difficult to conduct transactions. Delays in settlement could result in periods when assets of the Issuer are uninvested and no return is earned on them. The inability of the Issuer to make intended purchases of Collateral Obligations due to settlement problems or the risk of intermediary

counterparty failures could cause the Issuer to miss investment opportunities. The inability to dispose of a Collateral Obligation due to settlement problems could result either in losses to the Issuer due to subsequent declines in the value of the Collateral Obligation or, if the Issuer has entered into a contract to sell the security, could result in possible liability to the purchaser. Transaction costs of buying and selling foreign securities, including brokerage, tax, and custody costs, also are generally higher than those involved in domestic transactions. Furthermore, foreign financial markets, while generally growing in volume, have, for the most part, substantially less volume than U.S. markets, and securities of many foreign companies are less liquid and their prices more volatile than securities of comparable domestic companies.

In certain foreign countries there is the possibility of expropriation, nationalization, or confiscatory taxation; limitations on the convertibility of currency or the removal of securities, property, or other assets of the Issuer; political, economic, or social instability; or adverse diplomatic developments, each of which could have an adverse effect on the Issuer's investments in the foreign countries (which may make it more difficult to pay Dollar-denominated obligations such as the Collateral Obligations). The economies of individual non-U.S. countries may also differ favorably or unfavorably from the U.S. economy in such respects as growth of gross domestic product, rate of inflation, volatility of currency exchange rates, depreciation, capital reinvestment, resource self-sufficiency and balance of payments position.

*Lender Liability Considerations and Equitable Subordination Can Affect the Issuer's Rights with Respect to Collateral Obligations*

In recent years, a number of judicial decisions in the United States have upheld the right of borrowers to sue lenders and bondholders on the basis of various evolving legal theories (collectively termed "lender liability"). Generally, lender liability is founded on the premise that a lender has violated a duty (whether implied or contractual) of good faith and fair dealing owed to the debtor or has assumed a degree of control over the debtor resulting in the creation of a fiduciary duty owed to the debtor or its other creditors or shareholders. Because of the nature of the Collateral Obligations, the Issuer may be subject to allegations of lender liability. In addition, under common law principles that in some cases form the basis for lender liability claims, a court may elect to subordinate the claim of the offending lender to the claims of the disadvantaged creditors, a remedy called "equitable subordination," if a lender: (i) intentionally takes an action that results in the undercapitalization of a borrower to the detriment of other creditors of the borrower; (ii) engages in other inequitable conduct to the detriment of the other creditors; (iii) engages in fraud with respect to, or makes misrepresentations to, the other creditors; or (iv) uses its influence as a lender to dominate or control a borrower to the detriment of other creditors of the borrower.

Because the Collateral Obligations are primarily Loans, the Issuer may be subject to claims from creditors of an obligor that Collateral Obligations issued by the obligor that are held by the Issuer should be equitably subordinated. However, the Portfolio Manager does not intend to engage in conduct that would form the basis for a successful cause of action based on lender liability or the equitable subordination doctrine. Nonetheless, no assurances can be given that actions taken in good faith by the Portfolio Manager will not result in losses to issuers of Collateral Obligations, and that the Issuer will not be liable for any such losses. Furthermore, the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager may be unable to control the conduct of lenders under a loan syndication agreement requiring less than a unanimous vote, yet the Issuer may be subject to lender liability or equitable subordination for such conduct.

The preceding discussion is based on principles of United States federal and state laws. Insofar as Collateral Obligations that are obligations of non-United States obligors are concerned, the laws of certain foreign jurisdictions may impose liability on lenders or bondholders under factual circumstances similar to, or broader or narrower than, those described above, with consequences that may or may not be analogous to those described above under United States federal and state laws.

*Securities May Be Affected by Interest Rate Risks, Including Mismatches Between the Notes and the Collateral Obligations*

The Notes bear interest at a rate based on LIBOR as determined on the second Business Day prior to the first day of the relevant Interest Period. The Collateral Obligations will consist primarily of obligations that bear interest at floating rates, which floating rates may be different than the floating rates on the Notes. Accordingly, the Notes are subject to interest rate risk to the extent that there is a mismatch between the rates at which interest accrues on the Notes and the rates at which interest accrues on the Collateral. In addition, there may be a timing mismatch between the Notes and the Floating Rate Obligations as the interest on the Floating Rate Obligations may adjust more or less frequently, on different dates and based on different indices than the interest rates on the Notes. Furthermore, any payments of principal of or interest on Collateral received during a Due Period will (except to a limited extent specified in the Indenture) be reinvested in Eligible Investments maturing not later than the Business Day immediately preceding the next Payment Date. There is no requirement that Eligible Investments bear interest at LIBOR or a similar rate, and the interest rates available for Eligible Investments are inherently uncertain. As a result of these mismatches, an increase or decrease in LIBOR for the relevant maturity could adversely affect the ability of the Issuer to make interest payments on the Notes (including due to a rise or a decline in the value of previously issued Collateral Obligations or other Collateral that bear interest at a fixed rate as LIBOR decreases or increases, as applicable) and to make distributions on the Class E Certificates. To mitigate a portion of the interest rate mismatch, the Issuer may enter into Hedge Agreements that are subject to a Rating Confirmation. However, there can be no assurance that the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, together with any Hedge Agreements, will in all circumstances generate sufficient Interest Proceeds to make timely payments of interest on the Notes. Moreover, there can be no assurance that any Hedge Agreements will eliminate the risks of interest rate mismatch intended to be addressed by such agreements and the benefits of any Hedge Agreements may not be achieved in the event of the early termination of the Hedge Agreements, including termination upon the failure of the related Hedge Counterparty to perform its obligations under the Hedge Agreement. See “Security for the Notes—Hedge Agreements.”

The Portfolio Manager may direct the Issuer to reduce the notional amount of, or otherwise adjust the terms of, any Hedge Agreement outstanding at any time, subject, in the case of any reduction or adjustment made on or after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, to obtaining a Rating Confirmation.

*Changes in Tax Law Could Result in the Imposition of Withholding Taxes with Respect to Payments on the Collateral Obligations, and the Obligors on the Collateral Obligations will not Gross-Up Payments to the Issuer*

The Issuer expects that payments received on the Hedge Agreements, and generally on the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, will not be subject to withholding taxes imposed by the United States or reduced by withholding taxes imposed by any other country from which such payments are sourced unless the obligor is required to make “gross-up” payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding taxes. In the case of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments issued by U.S. obligors after July 18, 1984 that are in registered form, payments thereon generally are exempt under current United States tax law from the imposition of United States withholding tax. See “Income Tax Considerations—Tax Treatment of the Issuer—United States Withholding Taxes”. However, there can be no assurance that, as a result of any change in any applicable law, treaty, rule or regulation or interpretation thereof, the payments on the Hedge Agreements, Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments would not in the future become subject to withholding taxes imposed by the United States of America or another jurisdiction. In that event, if the obligors of such Hedge Agreements, Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments were not then required to make “gross-up” payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding taxes, the amounts available to make payments on, or distributions to, the holders of the Securities would accordingly be reduced. There can be no assurance that remaining

payments on the Collateral would be sufficient to make timely payments of interest on, payment of principal and payment of other distributions at the Stated Maturity of the Securities.

Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, the Notes shall be redeemable at the applicable Redemption Price, in whole, but not in part, by the Issuer at the written direction of the Holders of at least a Majority of the Class E Certificates, as described under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

*The Issuer Has the Right to Engage in Securities Lending, which Involves Counterparty Risks and Other Risks*

The Collateral Obligations may be loaned for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) that have, or are guaranteed by entities that have, long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or a guarantor with those ratings at the time of the loan, of at least “A1” (and not “A1” but on credit watch with negative implications) and “P-1” (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody’s and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least “A” from S&P. See “Security for the Notes—Securities Lending.” The loans must be secured by cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America, in an amount at least equal to 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value of the loaned Collateral Obligations, determined on a daily basis. However, if the borrower of a loaned Collateral Obligation defaults on its obligation to return the loaned Collateral Obligation because of insolvency or otherwise, the Issuer could experience delays and costs in gaining access to the collateral posted by the borrower (and in extreme circumstances could be restricted from selling the collateral). If the borrower defaults, the Issuer could suffer a loss to the extent that the realized value of the cash or securities securing the obligation of the borrower to return a loaned Collateral Obligation (less expenses) is less than the amount required to purchase the Collateral Obligation in the open market. This shortfall could be due to, among other factors, discrepancies between the mark-to-market and actual transaction prices for the loaned Collateral Obligations arising from limited liquidity or availability of the loaned Collateral Obligations and, in extreme circumstances, the loaned Collateral Obligations being unavailable at any price.

The Rating Agencies may downgrade any of the rated Securities if a borrower of a Collateral Obligation or, if applicable, the entity guaranteeing the performance of the borrower has been downgraded by one of the Rating Agencies such that the Issuer is not in compliance with the Securities Lending Counterparty rating requirements. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser or Affiliates of the Portfolio Manager, which may create certain conflicts of interest. See “—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Portfolio Manager” and “—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Initial Purchaser and the Placement Agent” below.

**Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest**

*In General, the Transaction Will Involve Various Potential and Actual Conflicts of Interest*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise from the overall advisory, investment, and other activities of the Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates and from the conduct by the Initial Purchaser and the Placement Agent and its Affiliates of other transactions with the Issuer, including acting as counterparty with respect to Hedge Agreements, Securities Lending Agreements, and Synthetic Securities. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

*The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Portfolio Manager*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise for the Portfolio Manager with respect to its obligations to the Issuer from the overall investment activities of the Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates, for the accounts of its other clients. For example, the Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates and their

respective clients may invest in loans, securities, and other obligations that would be appropriate for inclusion in the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations, as well as in loans, securities, and other obligations that are senior to, or have interests different from or adverse to, the loans and or other investments that are pledged to secure the Notes. Furthermore, Affiliates of the Portfolio Manager may serve as general partners or managers of special-purpose entities organized to issue other collateralized loan obligations ("CLOs") secured primarily by corporate loans and collateralized debt obligations ("CDOs") secured by corporate debt obligations. The Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates may also have ongoing relationships with, render services to, or engage in transactions with, companies whose loan obligations or securities are pledged to secure the Notes and may now or in the future own (as portfolio investments or otherwise) loan obligations or equity or debt securities issued by issuers of or obligors on, Collateral Obligations or other Collateral.

The Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates may possess information relating to issuers of Collateral Obligations or other Collateral that (i) may constrain the Issuer's investments as a consequence of the Portfolio Manager's inability to use such information for advisory purposes or otherwise to take actions that would be in the best of interests of the Issuer or (ii) is not known to the employees of the Portfolio Manager responsible for monitoring the Collateral and performing the other obligations of the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement. The Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates and their respective clients may at certain times be simultaneously seeking to purchase or dispose of investments for the respective accounts of the Issuer, any similar entity for which it serves as manager or advisor, and for its clients or Affiliates.

Neither the Portfolio Manager nor any of its Affiliates has any affirmative obligation to offer any investments to the Issuer or to inform the Issuer of any investments before offering any investments to other funds or accounts that the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates manage or advise. Furthermore, the Portfolio Manager may be bound by affirmative obligations in the future, whereby the Portfolio Manager is obligated to offer certain investments to funds or accounts that it manages or advises before or without the Portfolio Manager offering those investments to the Issuer.

The Portfolio Manager will endeavor to resolve conflicts with respect to investment opportunities in a manner that it deems equitable to the extent possible under the prevailing facts and circumstances. Further, the Portfolio Manager will be prohibited under the Management Agreement from directing the acquisition of Collateral Obligations from, or the disposition of Collateral Obligations to, its Affiliates or any other account managed by the Portfolio Manager except in a transaction conducted on an arm's-length basis for fair market value and if the Portfolio Manager has complied with its policies and procedures with respect to the acquisition or disposition and the acquisition or disposition otherwise complies with the requirements of the United States Investment Advisers Act of 1940.

The Portfolio Manager currently serves as the portfolio manager for a number of special purpose vehicles that have issued securities secured by or referencing collateral consisting of assets similar to the Collateral Obligations, which may create conflicts in allocating its time and services among the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager's other accounts.

Upon the removal or resignation of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer, at the written direction of a Super Majority of the Class E Certificates, may appoint a replacement Portfolio Manager if (i) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes has consented to the appointment of such replacement Portfolio Manager and (ii) a Majority of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single Class (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates)) does not object to the replacement Portfolio Manager. See "The Management Agreement." Securities held by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority will have no voting rights with respect to any vote in connection with removal of the Portfolio Manager and will be deemed not to be outstanding in connection with any vote to remove the Portfolio Manager. Securities held by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates



will have voting rights with respect to all other matters as to which the Holders of the Securities are entitled to vote, including any vote to direct an Optional Redemption and any vote to appoint a replacement Portfolio Manager in accordance with the Management Agreement. See “The Management Agreement” and “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.” The Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates may own equity or other securities of issuers of or obligors on Collateral Obligations or other Collateral and may have provided and may provide in the future, advisory and other services to issuers of Collateral.

On the Closing Date, the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates are expected to purchase Class E Certificates having an aggregate Face Amount approximately equal to U.S.\$22 million. To the extent that the interests of the Holders of the Notes differ from the interests of the Holders of the Class E Certificates, the holding of the Class E Certificates by the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates may create additional conflicts of interest. In addition, the interests of the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates will not necessarily be aligned with those of other Holders of the Class E Certificates.

The Portfolio Manager will be entitled to receive the Senior Management Fee, the Subordinated Management Fee and the Incentive Management Fee, as further described herein. The structure of such fees may cause the Portfolio Manager to direct the Issuer to make more speculative investments in Collateral Obligations than it would otherwise make in the absence of such performance based compensation.

In addition, the Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates may act as the Securities Lending Counterparty under any Securities Lending Agreement entered into by the Issuer.

*The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Initial Purchaser and the Placement Agent*

The Initial Purchaser and Placement Agent and their affiliates are acting in a number of capacities in connection with the transactions described herein. The Initial Purchaser is also expected to be the initial Class A-1B Noteholder. The Initial Purchaser and Placement Agent and their affiliates may also in the future act as counterparties to Hedge Agreements, Participations and Synthetic Securities that are included in the Collateral. The Initial Purchaser and the Placement Agent and each of their affiliates acting in such capacities will have only the duties and responsibilities expressly agreed to by such entity in the relevant capacity and will not, by reason of its or any of its affiliates’ acting in any other capacity, be deemed to have other duties or responsibilities or be deemed to be held to a standard of care other than as expressly provided with respect to each such capacity. Neither the Initial Purchaser nor the Placement Agent take any responsibility for, or have any obligations in respect of, the Issuer.

The Initial Purchaser and Placement Agent and their affiliates may purchase, acquire, hold, sell and make loans secured by any Notes from time to time and exercise rights of Noteholders in connection therewith. In addition, the Initial Purchaser and Placement Agent and their affiliates may enter into derivative transactions with respect to the Notes from time to time.

The Initial Purchaser and Placement Agent and their affiliates may hold Collateral Obligations or other obligations or securities of any Obligor, may deal in any such obligations or securities, may enter into credit derivatives involving reference entities or reference obligations that may include the Obligors or Collateral Obligations, may accept deposits from, make loans or otherwise extend credit to, and generally engage in any kind of commercial or investment banking or other business with, any Obligor, any affiliate of any Obligor or any other Person or other entity having obligations relating to any Obligor, and may act with respect to such business, regardless of whether any such relationship or action might have an adverse effect on any Obligor (including, without limitation, any action which might result in or cause a Collateral Obligation to be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation), or on the position of the Issuer or any other party to the transactions described herein or otherwise. The Initial Purchaser, the Placement

Agent or one or more of their affiliates may act as a dealer for purposes of providing quotations with respect to the determination of the Market Value of any Collateral Obligation or for purposes of buying or selling Collateral Obligations. In addition, the Initial Purchaser and Placement Agent and/or their affiliates may from time to time possess interests in the Obligors and/or Collateral Obligations allowing the Initial Purchaser and Placement Agent or their affiliates, as applicable (or any investment manager or adviser acting on its or their behalf), to exercise voting or consent rights with respect thereto, and such rights may be exercised in a manner that may be adverse to the interests of the Holders or that may affect the market value of Collateral Obligations and/or the amounts payable thereunder. The Initial Purchaser and Placement Agent and their affiliates may maintain other banking and investment advisory relationships with the Portfolio Manager and its affiliates.

The Initial Purchaser and Placement Agent and their affiliates currently act as administrative agent, swap counterparty, underwriter, initial purchaser or placement agent or in a similar capacity for entities having investment objectives similar to those of the Issuer, and the Initial Purchaser and its affiliates may act as administrative agent, swap counterparty, underwriter, initial purchaser or placement agent for such entities and other similar entities in the future. The Initial Purchaser and Placement Agent (or an affiliate) may be advising or distributing securities on behalf of an issuer or providing banking or other services to an issuer at the same time at which the Portfolio Manager is determining whether to purchase or sell a Collateral Obligation of such issuer under the Indenture. The Initial Purchaser and Placement Agent has no duty to inform the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer or the Holders of the Notes of any such relationship or activity. Employees of the Initial Purchaser and Placement Agent and their affiliates may also serve as directors of other entities having investment objectives similar to those of the Issuer.

The Issuer may invest in Eligible Investments that are purchased from or sold to, or are obligations of, the Initial Purchaser and Placement Agent or their affiliates. The Initial Purchaser and Placement Agent and their affiliates may hold or deal in obligations of, or interests in, and may generally engage in any kind of commercial or investment banking or other business with, issuers of Eligible Investments.

### **Money Laundering Prevention**

The Issuer and the Administrator are subject to anti-money laundering legislation in the Cayman Islands pursuant to the Proceeds of Criminal Conduct Law (2005 Revision) (the "PCCL"). Pursuant to the PCCL the Cayman Islands government enacted The Money Laundering Regulations (2005 Revision), which impose specific requirements with respect to the obligation "to know your client." Except in relation to certain categories of institutional investors, the Issuer may require a detailed verification of each investor's identity and the source of the payment used by such investor for purchasing the Securities in a manner similar to the obligations imposed under the laws of other major financial centers. In addition, if any person who is resident in the Cayman Islands knows or has a suspicion that a payment to the Issuer (by way of investment or otherwise) contains the proceeds of criminal conduct, that person must report such suspicion to the Cayman Islands authorities pursuant to the PCCL. If the Issuer were determined by the Cayman Islands government to be in violation of the PCCL or The Money Laundering Regulations (2005 Revision), the Issuer could be subject to substantial criminal penalties. Such a violation could materially adversely affect the timing and amount of payments by the Issuer to the Holders of the Securities.

## DESCRIPTION OF THE SECURITIES

The Notes will be issued pursuant to the Indenture. The terms of the Class E Certificates are contained in the Issuer Charter and in certain resolutions adopted by the Issuer's Board of Directors on or before the Closing Date authorizing and approving the issuance of the Securities, as reflected in the minutes thereof (the "**Resolutions**" and, together with the Issuer Charter and the Class E Certificate Paying Agency Agreement, the "**Class E Certificate Documents**"). The following summary describes certain provisions of the Notes, the Class E Certificates, the Indenture and the Class E Certificate Documents. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Indenture and the Class E Certificate Documents. Copies of the Indenture may be obtained by prospective purchasers upon request in writing to the Trustee at the Corporate Trust Office, 600 Travis Street, 50<sup>th</sup> Floor, Houston, Texas 77002, Attention: Worldwide Securities Services—Liberty CLO, Ltd. Copies of the Class E Certificate Documents may be obtained upon request in writing to the Administrator at P.O. Box 908GT, Walker House, Mary Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands.

### Status and Security

The Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer and non-recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuer. Each Note within a Class will rank *pari passu* with all other Notes of that Class (with the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class A-4 Notes being treated as separate Classes). Under the Indenture, the Issuer will grant to the Trustee a first-priority security interest in the Collateral to secure the Issuer's obligations under the Indenture, the Notes, the Hedge Agreements and the Management Agreement (collectively, the "**Secured Obligations**"). The Notes are payable solely from amounts received in respect of the Collateral pledged by the Issuer to secure the Notes. If the amounts received in respect of the Collateral (net of certain expenses) are insufficient to make payments on the Secured Obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and, following liquidation of all the Collateral, the obligations of the Co-Issuers to pay the deficiency will be extinguished.

The Class E Certificates will not be secured. The Class E Certificates are entitled only to proceeds of the Collateral to the extent that any proceeds are remaining on any Payment Date after payment of all interest and principal payable on each Class of Notes on that Payment Date and the satisfaction of other amounts ranking prior to the Class E Certificates in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

In furtherance of the priorities of payments among the Classes of Notes and the Class E Certificates, the Indenture contains express subordination provisions pursuant to which the Holders of each Class of Notes that is a Junior Class as described below agree for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class that the Junior Class shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes of each Priority Class to the extent and in the manner provided in the Indenture.

If any Event of Default has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs under and in accordance with the Indenture, each Priority Class of Notes shall be paid in full in cash or, to the extent a Majority of the Class consents, other than in cash, before any further payment or distribution is made on account of any Junior Class of Notes with respect to the Priority Class. The Holders of each Junior Class of Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for failure to pay to them amounts due to the Junior Class, of the Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or under the Indenture until the payment in full of the Priority Classes or all the Classes, as the case may be and not before one year and a day, or if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect and a day, has elapsed since such payment.

For purposes of this provision, with respect to each Class of Securities, the Classes of Securities that are Priority Classes and Junior Classes are as follows:

<b>Class</b>	<b>Junior Classes</b>	<b>Priority Classes</b>
A-1	A-2, A-3, A-4, B, C, Class E Certificates	None
A-2	A-3, A-4, B, C, Class E Certificates	A-1
A-3	A-4, B, C, Class E Certificates	A-1, A-2
A-4	B, C, Class E Certificates	A-1, A-2, A-3
B	C, Class E Certificates	A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4
C	Class E Certificates	A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4, B
Class E Certificates	None*	A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4, B, C

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\*Subject to applicable Cayman Islands law, the Class E Certificates will be entitled to certain residual cashflow after payment of senior obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

If, notwithstanding the provisions of the Indenture, any Holder of Notes of any Junior Class has received any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes contrary to the provisions of the Indenture, then, until each Priority Class with respect to such Junior Class of Notes has been paid in full in Cash or, to the extent a Majority of the Priority Class consents, other than in Cash in accordance with the Indenture, the payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, which shall pay and deliver the same to the Holders of the applicable Priority Classes of Notes. If any such payment or distribution is made other than in cash, it shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and subject in all respects to the Indenture.

Each Holder of Notes of any Junior Class agrees with all Holders of the applicable Priority Classes that the Holder of a Junior Class of Notes shall not demand, accept, or receive any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes in violation of the Indenture. After a Priority Class has been paid in full, the Holders of Notes of the related Junior Class or Classes shall be fully subrogated to the rights of the Holders of the Priority Class. Nothing in these provisions shall affect the obligation of the Issuer to pay Holders of any Junior Class of Notes.

Distributions to Holders of the Class E Certificates are subordinate to distributions on the Notes as described in the Priority of Payments.

The Management Fees shall have priority only to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

## **Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Class E Certificates from Interest Proceeds**

The Notes of each Class (other than the Class A-1A Notes and the Class A-1B Notes) will accrue interest during each Interest Period, on their Aggregate Outstanding Amount (determined as of the first day of the Interest Period and after giving effect to any redemption or other payment of principal occurring on that day) at the applicable per annum interest rates for each such Class (the “**Note Interest Rate**”) equal to LIBOR for the applicable Interest Period *plus* the spread, as specified above under “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.” The Class A-1A Notes will accrue interest only on the Drawn Amount of the Class A-1A Notes at the applicable Note Interest Rate. A Commitment Fee of 0.17% per annum is payable on the Aggregate Undrawn Amount of the Class A-1A Notes. The Class A-1B Notes will accrue interest only on the Drawn Amount of the Class A-1B Notes at the applicable Note Interest Rate. A Delayed Drawdown Fee of 0.17% per annum is payable on the Aggregate Undrawn Amount of the Class A-1B Notes during the Delayed Drawdown Period. Interest accrued on the Notes, the Commitment Fee and the Delayed Drawdown Fee shall be calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in the applicable period *divided by* 360. Payment of interest on each Class of Notes shall be subordinated to the payments of interest on the related Priority Classes and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any Deferred Interest in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered “payable” for the purposes of the Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for the Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest), until paid.

Interest shall cease to accrue on each Note, or in the case of a partial repayment, on the part repaid, from the date of repayment or its Stated Maturity unless payment of principal is improperly withheld or unless there is some other default with respect to the payments of principal.

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Class E Certificates as dividends on the Class E Certificates pursuant to the Class E Certificate Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Interest Proceeds as described under clauses (22) and (24) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

For purposes of calculating interest on each Class of Notes, the Issuer will initially appoint the Trustee as calculation agent (the Trustee in that capacity, and each successor calculation agent, the “**Calculation Agent**”).

As soon as possible after 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period, but in no event later than 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the next Business Day, the Calculation Agent will calculate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Notes for the related Interest Period and the amount of interest for the Interest Period payable in respect of each \$100,000 in principal amount of each Class of Notes (in each case rounded to the nearest cent, with half a cent being rounded upward) on the related Payment Date and will communicate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Notes and the date of the next Payment Date to the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Placement Agent, each paying agent, the Irish Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class of Notes is listed thereon), Euroclear, Clearstream and the Depositary.

The Calculation Agent may be removed by the Co-Issuers at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Co-Issuers or if the Calculation Agent fails to determine the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Notes or the amount of interest payable in respect of each Class of Notes for any Interest Period, the Issuer will promptly appoint as a replacement Calculation Agent a leading bank which is engaged in transactions in U.S. Dollar deposits in the international U.S. Dollar market and which does not control and is not controlled by or under common control with the Co-Issuers or any of their respective affiliates. The Calculation Agent may not resign its duties without a successor having been duly appointed. The determination of the Note Interest Rate with respect to each Class of Notes, the Commitment Fee with respect to the Class A-1A Notes and the Delayed Drawdown Fee with respect to the Class A-1B Notes for each Interest Period by the Calculation Agent shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding upon all parties. In addition, for so long as any Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of such exchange so require, notice of the appointment of any replacement Calculation Agent will be published by or on behalf of the Issuer in the Irish Stock Exchange's *Daily Official List*.

**"LIBOR,"** determined by the Calculation Agent for any Interest Period, means the offered rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent, for three month Dollar deposits that appears on Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News (or a page that replaces Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), as of 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period.

If, on the second Business Day before the first day of any relevant Interest Period, that rate does not appear on Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Market Commodities News (or a page that replaces Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), the Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks to prime banks in the London interbank market for three month Dollar deposits in Europe, by reference to requests by the Calculation Agent to four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Portfolio Manager) (the **"Reference Banks"**) for quotations as of approximately 11:00 A.M. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the Interest Period. If at least two of the Reference Banks provide quotations as requested, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean. If fewer than two Reference Banks provide quotations, LIBOR shall be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that leading banks in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Portfolio Manager) are quoting to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period for three month Dollar deposits.

If the Calculation Agent is unable to determine a rate in accordance with any of the above procedures, LIBOR for the Interest Period shall be calculated on the last day of the Interest Period and shall be the arithmetic mean of the rate of interest for each day during the Interest Period determined by the Calculation Agent as being the rate of interest most recently announced by the Bank at its New York office as its base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans (or if the Bank ceases to exist or is not quoting a base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans, another major money center commercial bank in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Portfolio Manager)). All calculations shall be calculated to at least four decimal places and rounded to four decimal places.

For the first Interest Period, LIBOR shall be 4.44672%.

#### **Principal Payments on the Notes and Distributions on the Class E Certificates from Principal Proceeds**

The principal of each Note of each Class matures at par and is payable on the Payment Date that is the Stated Maturity for the Class of Notes, unless the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable at

an earlier date by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise. The Class E Certificates are scheduled to be redeemed on the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date, unless redeemed prior thereto. The average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years from issuance until Stated Maturity for such Notes. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary” and “Maturity and Prepayment Considerations.” Notwithstanding the foregoing, and except as set forth below, the payment of principal of each Class of Notes: (i) may only occur after principal on each Class of Notes that is a Priority Class with respect to the Class has been paid in full and (ii) is subordinated to the payment on each Payment Date of the principal and interest payable on the Priority Classes, and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments. However, (i) Interest Proceeds may be used in certain circumstances to pay principal of the Class C Notes on any Payment Date, prior to the payment in full of the Class A Notes and Class B Notes, to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class C Coverage Tests and (ii) Principal Proceeds may be used to pay Deferred Interest and other amounts pursuant to the Priority of Payments before the payment of principal of the Notes. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

In general, principal payments (other than Prepayments on the Class A-1A Notes) will not be made on the Notes before the end of the Reinvestment Period, except in the following circumstances: (i) in connection with an Optional Redemption, (ii) at the option of the Portfolio Manager, to effect a Special Redemption of the Notes or (iii) to effect a Mandatory Redemption in connection with a failure to meet any of the Coverage Tests or a Rating Confirmation Failure. After the Reinvestment Period, Principal Proceeds will be applied on each Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments to pay principal of each Class of Notes (except for Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations which may be reinvested as described herein). No principal of any Class of Notes will be payable on any Payment Date other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and to the extent funds are available therefor on that Payment Date for that purpose, except that the principal of each Class of Notes will be payable in full at the Stated Maturity, unless repaid before that. Payments of principal on the Class A-1 Notes will also be made as set forth in “Description of the Securities—Prepayment of the Class A-1A Notes” and “—Class A-1 Funding Allocations.”

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Class E Certificates as dividends or Redemption Price, as the case may be, on the Class E Certificates pursuant to the Class E Certificate Documents, to the extent legally permitted to the extent of available Principal Proceeds as described under clauses (8) and (10) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

#### **Legal Provisions Applicable to the Payments of Dividends from Interest Proceeds and Dividends or Other Distributions from Principal Proceeds**

Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds paid to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent for payment of dividends on, or the payment of the Redemption Price in respect of, the Class E Certificates, will be distributable to the Holders of the Class E Certificates only if the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distribution and Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds paid to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent for payment of dividends in respect of the Class E Certificates will be distributable to the Holders of the Class E Certificates only if the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or certificate premium and if the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distribution. Payments will be paid by the Trustee to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for payment of dividends and other distributions to the Holders of the Class E Certificates pursuant to the Class E Certificate Documents, to the extent legally permitted, on a *pro rata* basis according to the number of Class E Certificates held by each Holder on the Record Date for such Payment Date.

## **Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date**

### *General*

The Issuer, if directed by the Portfolio Manager, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Stated Maturity to the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (a “**Maturity Extension**”) up to a maximum of four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice to the Trustee of its election to extend the Stated Maturity no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes will be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date will be automatically extended to the related Extended Scheduled Class E Certificate Redemption Date, the Weighted Average Life Test will be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, and the Reinvestment Period will be automatically extended to the applicable Extended Reinvestment Period End Date without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Securities or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or the Class E Certificate Documents.

In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Securities wishing to sell such Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to “—Extension Procedure” below (such Securities as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, “**Extension Sale Securities**”); provided that in the case of Holders of Class P Securities wishing to sell such Class P Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser, such Class P Securities will be deemed exchanged for their respective components, only the Class E Certificate represented by the related Class E Certificate Component shall constitute Extension Sale Securities and are to be purchased by an Extension Qualifying Purchaser for a price equal to the Extension Purchase Price, which will in case of such sale be distributed to the related selling Holders of Class P Securities, and such Holders will receive a distribution in kind of the related pro rata amount of the Class P U.S. Treasury Component. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, each Holder providing an Extension Sale Notice shall be deemed to agree that no Extension Sale Securities of any Holder shall be purchased unless all Extension Sale Securities of all Holders are purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date and the other Extension Conditions are satisfied as of such date.

The Maturity Extension shall be effective only if the following conditions (the “**Extension Conditions**”) are satisfied:

- (i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Prices as of the applicable Extension Effective Date;
- (ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions herein, in the Indenture and the Class E Certificate Documents and the legends on such Securities and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency);



- (iii) (a) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to S&P (so long as any Notes are then rated by S&P) and (b) either (A) all Coverage Tests and the Selected Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied as of the related Extension Determination Date, the rating of each Class of Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities then rated by Moody's has not been downgraded, withdrawn or qualified from that in effect on the Closing Date (unless it subsequently has been reinstated to the rating assigned on the Closing Date) and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$900,000,000 or (B) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to Moody's (so long as any Notes are then rated by Moody's); and
- (iv) the Issuer has not effected more than three prior Maturity Extensions.

In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Holder of Notes (including in the form of the Class Q-1 Note Component) other than Extension Sale Securities will be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment. Holders of Class E Certificates, Class P-1 Securities and Class P-2 Securities shall not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

The Extension Bonus Payment shall be payable to any applicable qualifying beneficial owners who have provided the Trustee with an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification on or before the 5<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the first Payment Date from and including each Extension Effective Date on which funds are available to be used for such purposes in accordance with the Priority of Payments, but in any event, no later than the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption of the Securities. Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments on a Payment Date shall not be considered "due and payable" hereunder and the failure to pay any such Extension Bonus Payment on such date shall not be an Event of Default, unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Securities. Unpaid Extension Bonus Payments shall not accrue interest. Such amounts shall be paid, in the case of the Securities to the accounts designated in the applicable Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification or, to the extent otherwise required by the rules of any applicable securities exchange or clearing agency, in a manner determined by the Issuer.

#### *Extension Procedure*

No later than three Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Issuer of its election to extend the Stated Maturity (the "**Extension Notice**"), the Trustee shall mail the Extension Notice to all Holders of Notes, Class Q-1 Securities and Class P Securities and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Class E Certificates) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding), in the form set out in the Indenture, and shall request the Rating Condition for the Maturity Extension from S&P, if applicable.

Any Holder of Securities may give irrevocable notice (an "**Extension Sale Notice**") within 30 days after the Trustee has mailed the Extension Notice (the "**Extension Sale Notice Period**") of its intention to sell its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of Securities that has not given such an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be entitled to sell its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension.

If clause (iii)(b)(A) of the Extension Conditions is not satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date as determined by the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf), the Trustee shall request the Rating Condition to be satisfied with respect to Moody's.

On the applicable Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf) will confirm (i) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Securities in compliance with all transfer restrictions in the Indenture and the legends on such Securities and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (ii) whether the requirements of clause (iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date and (iii) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

On each Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension shall automatically become effective under the terms of the Indenture and the Class E Certificate Documents; *provided* that all Extension Conditions set forth above are satisfied. No later than two Business Days after each Extension Effective Date, the Trustee based on a determination made by the Issuer in consultation with the Portfolio Manager, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail a notice to all Holders of the Notes, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates), the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding), the Paying Agent in Ireland for forwarding to the Irish Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class of Securities is listed thereon) and the Administrator for forwarding to the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class E Certificates, Class Q-1 Securities or Class P Securities are listed thereon) confirming whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension became effective, the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf) shall make any required notifications thereof to the Depositary for any Securities subject to the Maturity Extension.

None of the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

### **Optional Redemption**

*Notes.* The Holders of at least a Majority of the Class E Certificates may give written notice to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager directing an optional redemption of the Notes (with respect to the Notes, an “**Optional Redemption**”) upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period. Such notice must be given not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made. Upon receipt of the written notice directing an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Co-Issuers are required by the Indenture to redeem the Notes (in whole but not in part) from amounts available therefor in accordance with “—Redemption Procedures” described below. Any Optional Redemption of the Notes shall be made at the applicable Redemption Price. Upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Reinvestment Period will terminate in accordance with the definition of that term. The Issuer shall, at least 30 days before the Redemption Date (unless the Trustee shall agree to a shorter notice period), notify the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates) and each Rating Agency of the Redemption Date, the applicable Record Date, the principal amount of Notes to be redeemed on the Redemption Date and the applicable Redemption Prices.

*Class E Certificates.* On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, all administrative and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee), and all amounts owing under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged:

- (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Class E Certificates, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Class E Certificates, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes

being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Class E Certificates pro rata in accordance with their respective holdings; or

(ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Class E Certificates, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Class E Certificates to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Class E Certificates based upon such direction,

(with respect to the Class E Certificates and each of clauses (i) and (ii) above, an “**Optional Redemption**”).

Upon a distribution pursuant to clause (i) above, the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Management Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer, direct the sale of all remaining Collateral Obligations. Upon a distribution pursuant to clause (ii) above, the Portfolio Manager will effect the sale of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Class E Certificates.

Upon receipt of the written notice directing an Optional Redemption of the Class E Certificates, the Issuer is required by the Class E Certificate Paying Agency Agreement to redeem the Class E Certificates in the applicable manner described above.

*Redemption Procedures.* Notice of a redemption shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days and not earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date, to (i) each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder’s address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as applicable, to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates) and (ii) in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, to each Rating Agency. In addition, (i) for so long as any Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of such exchange so require, notice of redemption to the Holders of such Notes shall also be given by publication in the Irish Stock Exchange’s *Daily Official List* and (ii) for so long as any Class E Certificates, Class Q-1 Securities or Class P Securities are listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of redemption of Securities shall also be given to the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange.

Notice of redemption having been given as provided above, the Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at the Redemption Price therein specified and from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Redemption Price and accrued interest) the Notes shall cease to bear interest on the Redemption Date.

Upon final payment on a Note to be so redeemed, the Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the place specified in the notice of redemption to receive the applicable Redemption Price unless the Holder provides an undertaking to surrender the Note thereafter.

The Notes may not be optionally redeemed unless either of the following conditions are satisfied:

(i) at least ten Business Days before the Redemption Date, the Portfolio Manager shall have furnished to the Trustee evidence (in form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee) that the Issuer has entered into a binding agreement (with a financial or other institution or entity whose short-term unsecured debt obligations (other than obligations whose rating is based on the credit of a person other than the institution) have a credit rating of at least “A-1” from S&P and of “P-1” (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody’s (or to any other institution or entity if the Rating Condition with respect to Moody’s is satisfied with respect to the other entity)) to sell to the financial or other institutions, not later than the Business Day before the

Redemption Date in immediately available funds, all or part of the Collateral (directly or by participation or other arrangement) at a Purchase Price at least equal to an amount sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations (including the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices; or

(ii) before entering into any binding agreement to sell all or a portion of the Collateral and selling or terminating any Hedge Agreement, the Portfolio Manager shall have certified that, in its commercially reasonable judgment, the settlement dates of the sales will be scheduled to occur on or before the Business Day before the Redemption Date and that the expected proceeds from the sales are to be delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date, in immediately available funds, in an amount (calculated as applicable in the manner provided below) sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices. For purposes of this paragraph, the amount shall be calculated with respect to the classes of Collateral listed in the table below by multiplying the expected proceeds of sale of the Collateral by the indicated percentage in the table below.

		Number of Business Days Between Certification to the Trustee and Sale			
		<u>Same Day</u>	<u>1 to 2</u>	<u>3 to 5</u>	<u>6 to 15</u>
1.	Cash or other Eligible Investments	100%	100%	100%	100%
2.	Loans (other than 5 below)	100%	93%	92%	88%
3.	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations (in each case, other than 4 below)	100%	89%	85%	75%
4.	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations, in each case with a Moody's Rating of "B3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "B3"	100%	75%	65%	55%
5.	Synthetic Securities	100%	65%	55%	35%

Any certification delivered by the Portfolio Manager shall include (A) the prices of, and expected proceeds from, the sale of any Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments or Hedge Agreements and (B) all calculations required by the Indenture.

Any notice of redemption may be withdrawn by the Issuer up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates), the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager only if:

(i) in the case of an Optional Redemption of Notes, the Portfolio Manager does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications required under the Indenture, as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee;

(ii) in the case of an Optional Redemption in whole of either the Notes or the Class E Certificates as described above in “—Optional Redemption—Notes” and clause (i) of the first paragraph under “—Optional Redemption—Class E Certificates,” the Issuer receives the written direction of Holders of Class E Certificates holding Class E Certificates in an aggregate Face Amount at least equal to the Face Amount of the Holders of Class E Certificates that had requested redemption under “—Optional Redemption—Notes” or clause (i) of the first paragraph under “—Optional Redemption—Class E Certificates,” as applicable, to withdraw the notice of redemption; and

(iii) in the case of an Optional Redemption of Class E Certificates as described in clause (ii) of the first paragraph under “Optional Redemption— Class E Certificates,” the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Class E Certificates to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer hereby agrees for the benefit of the directing person to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (ii) or this clause (iii)).

Notice of any withdrawal shall be sent, not later than the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date (assuming that the Trustee has received timely written notice from the Issuer as provided above), by the Trustee, to each Holder of Notes scheduled to be redeemed at the Holder’s address in the Indenture Register by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery (or, to the extent the address contained in the Indenture Register is not sufficient for that purpose, by first-class mail) and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Class E Certificates). If the Issuer so withdraws any notice of redemption or is otherwise unable to complete any redemption of the Notes, the Sale Proceeds received from the sale of any Collateral Obligations sold in accordance with the Indenture may, during the Reinvestment Period (and, in respect of Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations, after the Reinvestment Period) at the Portfolio Manager’s discretion, be reinvested in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria.

Notice of redemption shall be given by the Co-Issuers or, upon an Issuer Order, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Co-Issuers. Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Note selected for redemption or the Class E Certificate Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Class E Certificates) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Securities.

### **Special Redemption of Notes If the Portfolio Manager Does Not Identify Investments as Contemplated by the Indenture**

Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in whole or in part, at par, in accordance with the Priority of Payments if, at any time during the Reinvestment Period, the Portfolio Manager elects (subject to the Management Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the investment or reinvestment of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be invested in additional Collateral Obligations.

On the Special Redemption Date, funds in the Collection Account or the Payment Account representing Principal Proceeds which the Portfolio Manager determines cannot be reinvested in additional Collateral Obligations (the “**Special Redemption Amount**”) will be available to be applied in accordance with “—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.” Notice of payment of the Special Redemption Amount shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than three Business Days before the applicable Special Redemption Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder’s address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depositary. In addition, (i) for so long as any Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of such exchange so require, notice of Special Redemption to the Holders of such Notes shall also be given by publication in the Irish Stock Exchange’s *Daily Official List* and (ii) for so long as any Class E Certificates, Class Q-1 Securities or Class P Securities are listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of Special Redemption of Notes shall also be given to the Administrator for forwarding to the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange.

In connection with a Special Redemption, the principal of the Notes will be paid from Principal Proceeds in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount (first to any Class A-1 Notes, then to any Class A-2 Notes, then to any Class A-3 Notes, then to any Class A-4 Notes, then to any Class B Notes, then to any Class C Notes, in each case until paid in full) in accordance with the Priority of Payments. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

## **Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

### *General*

In the event of a failure to meet any Coverage Test on any applicable Determination Date, a mandatory redemption of one or more Classes of Notes in whole or in part will be required. In the event of a Rating Confirmation Failure, a redemption of one or more Classes of Notes in whole or in part will be required to obtain confirmation of the initial rating of the Notes. Any such redemption could result in an elimination, deferral or reduction in interest or principal payments to one or more Classes of Securities, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of the Class or Classes of Securities. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests” and “—The Indenture Requires Redemption of the Notes or Investment in Additional Collateral Obligations Upon Rating Confirmation Failure.”

### *Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests*

Except with respect to payments made pursuant to an Optional Redemption as described under “—Optional Redemption,” on any Payment Date with respect to which any Coverage Test (as described under “Security for the Notes—The Coverage Tests”) is not met on any Determination Date, principal payments on the Notes will be made as described under “—Priority of Payments.”

### *Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure*

Upon the event of a Rating Confirmation Failure, all Interest Proceeds remaining after payment of amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (15) of “—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” will be used to pay principal of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class A-4 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes sequentially in order of their priority on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date thereafter in each case until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. If necessary, after the foregoing payments are made out of Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds in accordance with clause (4) “—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds” will be used to for such purpose on each Payment Date until the Initial Ratings are confirmed.

Upon receipt of notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes on any subsequent Payment Date

in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm the Initial Ratings, then the Portfolio Manager, in its sole discretion may direct the Trustee to sell Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for the purpose in the Collection Account will be used to redeem the Notes (but only to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Securities). Any sale under these provisions shall be conducted in such a manner that:

- (i) after giving effect to the sale each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied or, if any Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Overcollateralization Test is not reduced;
- (ii) if the sale occurs on or after the second Payment Date, after giving effect to the sale each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied or, if any Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Interest Coverage Test is not reduced; and
- (iii) after giving effect to the sale each Collateral Quality Test is satisfied or, if any Collateral Quality Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Collateral Quality Test is not reduced.

#### **Redemption of the Class E Certificates in Connection with Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

All Class E Certificates will be redeemed in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Class E Certificate Documents on any Payment Date on which a mandatory redemption of the Notes described under "—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes" above results in the payment in full of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes.

#### **Redemption of the Class P Securities following Optional Redemption or liquidation of Collateral**

Following an Optional Redemption of the Class E Certificates or the liquidation and distribution of the Collateral in full, if any Class P Notes are then Outstanding, on the next succeeding Class P Securities Payment Date the Class P Securities will automatically be redeemed at the applicable Class P Redemption Price.

#### **Prepayment of the Class A-1A Notes**

The Class A-1A Notes may be prepaid without premium on any Business Day (in whole or in part) at the option of the Issuer (at the direction of the Portfolio Manager acting pursuant to the Management Agreement) from (i) Principal Proceeds otherwise available for reinvestment in Collateral Obligations, or (ii) amounts credited to the Revolving Reserve Account so long as, after giving effect thereto, the aggregate Balance of all Eligible Investments credited to the Revolving Reserve Account will be at least equal to the Revolver Funding Reserve Amount. Amounts so prepaid ("**Prepayments**") may be reborrowed until the Commitment Termination Date. Accrued interest will be paid to the extent provided in the Indenture, without duplication, on amounts prepaid and reborrowed in the same Interest Accrual Period in respect of the actual number of days for which such amounts were drawn.

#### **Class A-1A Notes Borrowings**

On any Business Day during the Draw Period, the Co-Issuers may borrow amounts under the Class A-1A Notes (each, together with amounts paid by Holders of Class A-1A Notes on the Closing Date and additional amounts funded by the Holders of the Class A-1A Notes as described under "—Class A-1 Funding Allocations", each a "Borrowing") to (i) acquire additional Collateral Obligations during the Ramp-up Period, (ii) acquire substitute Collateral Obligations during the Reinvestment Period (or after the Reinvestment Period pursuant to commitments to purchase made by the Issuer during the Reinvestment Period) and (iii) fund commitments of the Issuer to obligors under Revolving Loans or

Delayed Drawdown Loans acquired during the Reinvestment Period. Each Borrowing for purposes other than to fund commitments of the Issuer to obligors under Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans acquired during the Reinvestment Period is subject to the conditions that: (i) at the time of and immediately after giving effect to such Borrowing, each of the Coverage Tests is satisfied (except the Coverage Tests will be deemed satisfied for the purposes of this paragraph if each Coverage Test was satisfied as of the date of the Issuer's commitment to acquire the Collateral Obligation for which such Borrowing is required) or, if any Coverage Test was not satisfied prior to such Borrowing, such Coverage Test will be at least as close to being satisfied after giving effect to such Borrowing, (ii) at the time of and immediately after giving effect to such Borrowing, no Event of Default or any occurrence that, with notice or the lapse of time or both, would become an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing and (iii) the representations and warranties made by the Issuer in the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement shall be true and correct in all material respects on the date of such Borrowing and after giving effect thereto. Aggregate Borrowings under the Class A-1A Notes may not exceed the Aggregate Commitment Amount, and the Issuer may not make any Borrowings unless after giving effect to the Borrowing, the amount on reserve in the Revolving Reserve Account will either equal 100% of the Revolver Funding Reserve Amount or the Issuer will deposit Principal Proceeds and/or proceeds of the Borrowing in an amount sufficient for the Revolver Funding Reserve Amount to be fully satisfied immediately after the Borrowing. Each Borrowing will be made *pro rata* to the Undrawn Amounts of the Holders of the Class A-1A Notes.

Notwithstanding the failure to satisfy any of the foregoing conditions and except under certain circumstances specified in the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement, the holders of the Class A-1A Notes will be obligated to make advances to the Issuer if the proceeds of the related Borrowing are to be used by the Issuer to advance funds in respect of the Unfunded Amount of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan.

To request a Borrowing, the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer) will notify the Revolving Note Agent (with a copy to the Trustee) no later than 1:00 p.m., New York time and the Class A-1A Note Holders no later than 3:00 p.m., New York time, on the second Business Day prior to the date of the proposed Borrowing, of such request specifying the aggregate amount of the requested Borrowing and the date of such Borrowing, which shall be a Business Day. If notice of the Borrowing request is received by the Class A-1A Note Holder after 3:00 p.m. New York time on the second Business Day prior to the date of the proposed Borrowing, it will be treated as having been transmitted on the following Business Day.

Each purchaser of Class A-1A Notes during the Draw Period is required to satisfy the Rating Criteria upon the purchase of such Notes and at all times during the Draw Period while it holds the Class A-1A Notes. If any Holder of Class A-1A Notes at any time during the Draw Period fails to satisfy the Rating Criteria, such Holder will be obligated under the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement to (i) immediately give written notice of such fact to the Issuer (with a copy to the Portfolio Manager), the Revolving Note Agent, the Trustee and each Rating Agency and (ii) no later than three Business Days following such notice fund the full undrawn portion of such Holder's Commitment into a reserve account designated by the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf); *provided* that if such Holder transfers its interest in the Class A-1A Notes (including its commitment to fund advances) to an eligible purchaser that satisfies the Ratings Criteria and satisfies the other transfer restrictions set forth in the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement and in the Indenture within 60 days following such notice, the Issuer shall return to such Holder no later than three Business Days following any such transfer the amount funded by such Holder pursuant to this clause (ii) *minus* the amount of any advances applicable to such Class A-1A Notes made after such Holder funded the undrawn portion of its Class A-1A Notes and before such transfer.

### **Reduction and Termination of Commitments**

The Commitments in respect of the Class A-1A Notes will be automatically reduced upon payment of principal on the Class A-1A Notes as described under “—Class A-1 Funding Allocations”



below. Any such reduction of Commitments in respect of the Class A-1A Notes will be final and will be applied to the Commitments *pro rata* according to the respective amounts thereof. The Commitments will terminate on the Commitment Termination Date. The Commitments will not be reduced as a result of any Prepayments with respect to the Class A-1A Notes.

### **Class A-1 Funding Allocations**

In order to maintain *pari passu* treatment among the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes, the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement will provide that, so long as any Class A-1B Notes and/or Class A-1C Notes are outstanding, subject to a notice requirement, the holders of the Class A-1A Notes will be obligated to make certain advances from time to time the proceeds of which will be applied to repay principal of the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes. These funding obligations are described below:

(i) On the last day of the Reinvestment Period, the holders of the Class A-1A Notes will be obligated to advance to the Issuer, in the aggregate, the amount, if any, by which (1) the product of (a) the Aggregate Commitment Amount *multiplied* by (b) the sum of (x) the Drawn Amount of the Class A-1A Notes *plus* (y) the Aggregate Unfunded Amount *minus* the amount credited to the Revolving Reserve Account, *plus* (z) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes *divided* by (c) the sum of (x) the Aggregate Commitment Amount *plus* (y) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1B Notes and Class A-1C Notes exceeds (2) the sum of (x) the Drawn Amount of the Class A-1A Notes *plus* (y) the Aggregate Unfunded Amount *minus* the amount credited to the Revolving Reserve Account. Immediately after such advance, the Aggregate Commitment Amount will be reduced, but not below the aggregate Drawn Amount of the Class A-1A Notes and only to the extent the amount on reserve in the Revolving Reserve Account will, after such reduction, equal or exceed the Revolver Funding Reserve Amount.

(ii) After the Reinvestment Period, on each Business Day occurring on or after any date on which the Aggregate Unfunded Amount is reduced, the holders of the Class A-1A Notes will be obligated to advance to the Issuer, in the aggregate, the amount, if any, by which (1) the product of (a) the Aggregate Commitment Amount *multiplied* by (b) the sum of (x) the Drawn Amount of Class A-1A Notes *plus* (y) the Aggregate Unfunded Amount after giving effect to such reduction *minus* the amount credited to the Revolving Reserve Account, *plus* (z) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes *divided* by (c) the sum of (x) the Aggregate Commitment Amount *plus* (y) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes exceeds (2) the sum of (x) the Drawn Amount of the Class A-1A Notes *plus* (y) the Aggregate Unfunded Amount after giving effect to such reduction *minus* the amount credited to the Revolving Reserve Account. In addition, immediately after such advance, the Aggregate Commitment Amount will be reduced, but not below the aggregate Drawn Amount of the Class A-1A Notes and only to the extent the amount on reserve in the Revolving Reserve Account will, after such reduction, equal or exceed the Revolver Funding Reserve Amount.

(iii) Finally, upon any Optional Redemption or in connection with any liquidation of the Collateral following the occurrence of an Event of Default, the holders of the Class A-1A Notes will be obligated to advance to the Issuer, in the aggregate, the amount, if any, by which (1) the product of (a) the Aggregate Commitment Amount *multiplied* by (b) the sum of (x) the Drawn Amount of Class A-1A Notes *plus* (y) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes *divided* by (c) the sum of (x) the Aggregate Commitment Amount *plus* (y) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes exceeds (2) the Drawn Amount of the Class A-1A Notes. In addition, immediately after such advance, the Aggregate Commitment Amount will be terminated. In connection with such advance, amounts required to be funded by the holders of the Class

A-1A Notes to the Issuer will be netted and offset against amounts that would be distributed to the holders of the Class A-1A Notes in respect of the principal of the Class A-1A Notes in connection with such redemption or liquidation.

The Issuer will apply any such advance received by it as described in clauses (i) through (iii) above to repay principal of the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes, *pro rata* based on their respective Aggregate Outstanding Amount, independent of the Priority of Payments. Such payments will be deemed to occur prior to any other principal payments on any date pursuant to the Priority of Payments.

The Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement will provide that the obligations of the Holders of the Class A-1A Notes to make the advances described in paragraphs (i) through (iii) above are absolute and unconditional. In the event that, for any reason (including the insolvency of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or the existence of any judicial order or decree), the Holders of the Class A-1A Notes are unable to make any such advance or the proceeds of any such advance cannot be applied for account of the Issuer to the prepayment of the principal of the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes, then the Holders of the Class A-1A Notes, ratably in accordance with their respective Commitments, shall severally be obligated to purchase (for cash at par value plus accrued interest) portions of the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes on a *pro rata* basis to the extent necessary so that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1B Notes and Class A-1C Notes held by the Holders of the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes, as applicable, in each case other than those purchased by the Holders of the Class A-1A Notes, immediately after giving effect to such purchase equals the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1B Notes and Class A-1C Notes, as applicable, that they would have held had such advance and prepayment been effected as described above.

The Indenture provides that, so long as any Class of Notes is outstanding, if any Coverage Test is not satisfied, certain amounts will be applied on the related Payment Date, to the extent necessary to satisfy such Coverage Tests and as provided in the Priority of Payments, to pay principal of the Class A-1 Notes. In addition, principal payments may be made on the Class A-1A Notes in connection with a Special Redemption.

In the event that principal of the Class A-1 Notes is to be redeemed as contemplated by the Priority of Payments (including as a result of the failure of a Coverage Test to be satisfied on a Determination Date or in connection with a Special Redemption), the aggregate amount required to be applied to the Class A-1A Notes (the “**Aggregate Principal Reduction Amount**”) shall be applied as follows: (1) the Aggregate Commitment Amount shall be reduced (but not below zero) by an amount equal to (i) the Aggregate Principal Reduction Amount *multiplied* by (ii) the Aggregate Commitment Amount in effect on the Closing Date *divided* by (iii) the sum of the Aggregate Commitment Amount in effect on the Closing Date *plus* the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1C Notes as of the Closing Date *plus* the Fully Drawn Amount of the Class A-1B Notes (such portion of the Aggregate Principal Reduction Amount, the “**Class A-1A Principal Reduction Amount**”) and the Class A-1A Principal Reduction Amount shall be applied to repay any Drawn Amount on the Class A-1A Notes (with any remaining portion of the Class A-1A Principal Reduction Amount deposited in the Revolving Reserve Account); and (2) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes shall be prepaid (but not below zero) in an amount equal to their respective *pro rata* shares (based on the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes) of (i) the Aggregate Principal Reduction Amount *multiplied* by (ii) the sum of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1C Notes as of the Closing Date and the Fully Drawn Amount of the Class A-1B Notes *divided* by (iii) the sum of the Aggregate Commitment Amount in effect on the Closing Date *plus* the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1C Notes as of the Closing Date *plus* the Fully Drawn Amount of the Class A-1B Notes. Notwithstanding the foregoing, to the extent that the Revolver Funding Reserve Amount after giving effect to any application described in clause (1) above exceeds the amount on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account any repayment of the Drawn Amount of the Class A-1A

Notes and reduction in the Aggregate Commitment Amount will be reduced by an amount that if deposited in the Revolving Reserve Account would cause the aggregate balance of all Eligible Investments credited to the Revolving Reserve Account to equal the Revolver Funding Reserve Amount. Any amount that would have otherwise been applied to prepay the Class A-1A Notes but for such reduction will be deposited into the Revolving Reserve Account in order to satisfy such funding requirement.

After any amount has been deposited into the Revolving Reserve Account, any payment of principal received with respect to any Revolving Loan (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation as to which the commitment to extend additional credit has been terminated) will be deposited into the Revolving Reserve Account to the extent that such deposit would be required to fund the Revolver Funding Reserve Amount after giving effect to such payment of principal on such Collateral Obligation. In addition, the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement provides that no amount shall be drawn under the Class A-1A Notes to fund an Unfunded Amount with respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan until the balance credited to the Revolving Reserve Account has been reduced to zero. The Indenture provides that any amount credited to the Revolving Reserve Account may be withdrawn therefrom (a) to fund an Unfunded Amount with respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, (b) whenever the Unfunded Amount with respect to any Revolving Loan and Delayed Drawdown Loan is reduced, in an amount equal to the amount of such reduction, (c) upon any Optional Redemption or in connection with any liquidation of the Collateral following the occurrence of an Event of Default and (d) in order to make Prepayments on the Class A-1A Notes.

Any Prepayments on the Class A-1A Notes will not reduce the Aggregate Commitment Amount of the Class A-1A Notes and will not cause any payments to be made with respect to principal of the Class A-1B Notes or the Class A-1C Notes.

### **Class A-1B Notes Drawdowns**

On any Business Day during the Delayed Drawdown Period, the Co-Issuers may draw down amounts under the Class A-1B Notes (each, together with any amounts paid by holders of Class A-1B Notes on the Closing Date, a "Drawdown") to acquire additional Collateral Obligations during the Delayed Drawdown Period. The Drawn Amount of the Class A-1B Notes as of the Closing Date plus the Drawdowns under the Class A-1B Notes may not exceed the Fully Drawn Amount. Each Drawdown will be made *pro rata* to the portion of the Fully Drawn Amount of the Holders of the Class A-1B Notes.

To request a Drawdown, the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer) will notify the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent (with a copy to the Trustee) of such request no later than 1:00 p.m. (New York City time) on the second Business Day prior to the date of the proposed Drawdown, specifying the aggregate amount of the requested Drawdown and the date of such Drawdown, which shall be a Business Day and the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent shall promptly, and no later than 3:00 p.m. on such the day on which it receives such notice, provide to the Class A-1B Note Holder a copy of such notice and a statement regarding the remaining Undrawn Amount applicable to such Holder after giving effect to such Drawdown. If notice of the Drawdown request is not transmitted to the Class A-1B Note Holder until after 3:00 p.m., New York time, it will be treated as having been transmitted on the following Business Day.

Each purchaser of Class A-1B Notes during the Delayed Drawdown Period is required to satisfy the Rating Criteria upon the purchase of such Notes and at all times during the Delayed Drawdown Period while it holds the Class A-1B Notes. If any Holder of Class A-1B Notes at any time during the Delayed Drawdown Period fails to satisfy the Rating Criteria, such Holder will be obligated under the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement (i) to give immediate notice thereof to the Issuer, the Trustee, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent and each Rating Agency and (ii) no later than the Business Day following such notice fund the full Undrawn Amount of its Class A-1B Notes into a reserve account; *provided* that if such Holder transfers its interest in the Class A-1B Notes (including its commitment to fund Drawdowns)

to an eligible purchaser that satisfies the Ratings Criteria and satisfies the other transfer restrictions set forth in the Class A-1B Notes Purchase Agreement and in the Indenture within 30 days following such notice, the Issuer shall return to such Holder no later than the Business Days following any such transfer the amount funded by such Holder pursuant to this clause (ii) *minus* the amount of such Holders portion of any Drawdown made after such Holder funded the Undrawn Amount of its Class A-1B Notes and before such transfer.

Any Aggregate Undrawn Amount of Class A-1B Notes as of the second Business Day prior to the first Payment Date will be drawn and required to be funded on the Business Day prior to February 27, 2006.

### **Priority of Payments**

Collections received on the Collateral during the related Due Period will be segregated into Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds and applied on each Payment Date in the priority below under “—Interest Proceeds” and “—Principal Proceeds,” respectively (collectively, the “**Priority of Payments**”).

#### *Interest Proceeds*

On each Payment Date, Interest Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period (other than Interest Proceeds previously used during such Due Period to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations or otherwise used as permitted under the Indenture) will be distributed in the following order of priority:

- (1) to the payment of any taxes and registration and filing fees owed by the Co-Issuers (without limit) and then to the payment of Administrative Expenses up to the Administrative Expense Cap as follows:

FIRST, in the following order of priority:

- (i) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Trustee; and then
- (ii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Collateral Administrator; and then
- (iii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent;
- (iv) pro rata, fees, expenses and indemnities of the Revolving Note Agent and the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent; and

SECOND, in the following order of priority;

- (x) fees and expenses of the Administrator; and then;
  - (y) fees and expenses of the Co-Issuers (including fees and expenses of counsel and surveillance, credit estimate, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies) and any other person (except the Portfolio Manager) if specifically provided for in the Indenture, and to the expenses (but not fees) of the Portfolio Manager if payable under the Management Agreement;
- (2) other than on the final redemption date of the Class E Certificates, the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts paid pursuant to clause (1) above to deposit into the Expense Reimbursement Account;

- (3) to the payment to the Portfolio Manager of any accrued and unpaid Senior Management Fee then due and payable;
- (4) to the payment of all amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements (if any) other than any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;
- (5) *pro rata* to the payment of (a) accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes (in each case *pro rata* in proportion to the respective amounts of interest, Defaulted Interest and Defaulted Interest Charge then due on such Classes), (b) any accrued and unpaid Commitment Fee Amount and (c) any accrued and unpaid Delayed Drawdown Fee;
- (6) to the payment of any accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-2 Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-2 Notes;
- (7) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-3 Notes and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-3 Notes;
- (8) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-4 Notes and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-4 Notes;
- (9) if either of the Class A Coverage Tests is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date, to the payment of *first*, the principal of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes, to be allocated as described under “—Class A-1 Funding Allocations”, *second* the principal of the Class A-2 Notes, *third* the principal of the Class A-3 Notes and *fourth* the principal of the Class A-4 Notes, to the extent necessary to cause both Class A Coverage Tests to be met as of such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (9) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);
- (10) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B Notes (excluding Class B Deferred Interest, but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class B Deferred Interest);
- (11) if either of the Class B Coverage Tests is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date, to the payment of *first*, the principal of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes, to be allocated as described under “—Class A-1 Funding Allocations”, *second* the principal of the Class A-2 Notes, *third* the principal of the Class A-3 Notes, *fourth* the principal of the Class A-4 Notes, *fifth* the Deferred Interest on the Class B Notes and *sixth* the principal of the Class B Notes, to the extent necessary to cause both Class B Coverage Tests to be met as of such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (11) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);
- (12) to the payment of Class B Deferred Interest;

- (13) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class C Notes (excluding Class C Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class C Deferred Interest);
- (14) if either of the Class C Coverage Tests is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date, (1) if the Class A Coverage Tests and the Class B Coverage Tests were satisfied on such Determination Date without giving effect to any payments pursuant to clauses (9) and (11), as applicable, *first* to pay Deferred Interest on the Class C Notes and *second* to pay the principal of the Class C Notes, to the extent necessary to cause both Class C Coverage Tests to be met as of such Determination Date, or (2) if any of the Class A Coverage Tests or the Class B Coverage Tests were not satisfied on such Determination Date without giving effect to any payments pursuant to clauses (9) and (11), as applicable, to the payment of *first*, the principal of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes, to be allocated as described under “—Class A-1 Funding Allocations”, *second* the principal of the Class A-2 Notes, *third* the principal of the Class A-3 Notes, *fourth* the principal of the Class A-4 Notes, *fifth* the Deferred Interest on the Class B Notes, *sixth* the principal of the Class B Notes, *seventh* the Deferred Interest on the Class C Notes and *eighth* the principal of the Class C Notes, to the extent necessary to cause both Class C Coverage Tests to be met as of such Determination Date, in each case on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (14) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);
- (15) to the payment of Class C Deferred Interest;
- (16) in the event of a Rating Confirmation Failure, to the payment of *first*, the principal of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes, to be allocated as described under “—Class A-1 Funding Allocations”, *second* the principal of the Class A-2 Notes, *third* the principal of the Class A-3 Notes, *fourth* the principal of the Class A-4 Notes, *fifth* the Deferred Interest on the Class B Notes, *sixth* the principal of the Class B Notes, *seventh* the Deferred Interest on the Class C Notes and *eighth* the principal of the Class C Notes, until and to the extent necessary for each Rating Agency to confirm the ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to each Class of Notes;
- (17) during the Reinvestment Period, if the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date after giving effect to payments pursuant to clauses (1)–(16), for deposit to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds for the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations 50% of the remaining Interest Proceeds available after the payments pursuant to clause (16) above;
- (18) to the payment of any remaining Administrative Expenses not paid under clause (1) above in the respective priorities specified in clause (1);
- (19) to the payment, to the Portfolio Manager of accrued and unpaid Subordinated Management Fee then due and payable;
- (20) to each Holder of Notes entitled thereto, the applicable Extension Bonus Payment as described under “—Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date;”

- (21) to the payment to the Hedge Counterparties of any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;
- (22) to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Class E Certificates Distribution Account for distribution to the Holders of the Class E Certificates until the Holders of the Class E Certificates have realized a Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return of 12.0%;
- (23) to the payment to the Portfolio Manager of the Incentive Management Fee, if applicable; and
- (24) any remaining Interest Proceeds, to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Class E Certificates Distribution Account for distribution to the Holders of the Class E Certificates.

*Principal Proceeds*

On each Payment Date, Principal Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period other than:

- (A) Principal Proceeds previously reinvested in Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or otherwise used as permitted under the Indenture, including for Prepayments on the Class A-1A Notes;
- (B) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account or the Securities Lending Account; and
- (C) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed Purchase Prices for Collateral Obligations with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment before the end of the Due Period for their purchase, but has not settled the purchase by the end of the Due Period;

shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

- (1) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (13) under “—Interest Proceeds” above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder, provided that each payment of any of the amounts referred to in clauses (10), (12) and (13) may only be made, if and to the extent each Coverage Test is met on a *pro forma* basis giving effect to such payment;
- (2) if any Class C Coverage Test is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date, to the payment of *first* the principal of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes, to be allocated as described under “—Class A-1 Funding Allocations”, *second* the principal of the Class A-2 Notes, *third* the principal of the Class A-3 Notes, *fourth* the principal of the Class A-4 Notes, *fifth* the Deferred Interest on the Class B Notes, *sixth* the principal of the Class B Notes, *seventh* the Deferred Interest on the Class C Notes, and *eighth* the principal of the Class C Notes, to the extent necessary to cause both Class C Coverage Tests to be met as of such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full;
- (3) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (15) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; *provided*, that such payment

may only be made if and to the extent each Coverage Test is met on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to such payment;

- (4) in the event of a Rating Confirmation Failure and to the extent payments pursuant to clause (16) “—Interest Proceeds” above were not sufficient to cause each Rating Agency to confirm the ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to each Class of Notes, to the payment of *first* the principal of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes, to be allocated as described under “—Class A-1 Funding Allocations”, *second* the principal of the Class A-2 Notes, *third* the principal of the Class A-3 Notes, *fourth* the principal of the Class A-4 Notes, *fifth* the Deferred Interest on the Class B Notes, *sixth* the principal of the Class B Notes, *seventh* the Deferred Interest on the Class C Notes, and *eighth* the principal of the Class C Notes, in each case until and to the extent necessary for each Rating Agency to confirm the ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to each Class of Notes;
- (5) if the Payment Date is a Special Redemption Date, to the payment of *first* the principal of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes, to be allocated as described under “—Class A-1 Funding Allocations”, *second* the principal of the Class A-2 Notes, *third* the principal of the Class A-3 Notes, *fourth* the principal of the Class A-4 Notes, *fifth* the Deferred Interest on the Class B Notes, *sixth* the principal of the Class B Notes, *seventh* the Deferred Interest on the Class C Notes, and *eighth* the principal of the Class C Notes, in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount;
- (6) (a) during the Reinvestment Period, the remaining Principal Proceeds for deposit to the Collection Account for the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral into the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer’s purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), or (b) after the Reinvestment Period, (i) at the discretion of the Portfolio Manager and solely to the extent of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations, for deposit to the Collection Account for the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer’s purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) when appropriate Collateral Obligations are available and (ii) all other remaining amounts to the payment of *first* the principal of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes, to be allocated as described under “—Class A-1 Funding Allocations”, *second* the principal of the Class A-2 Notes, *third* the principal of the Class A-3 Notes, *fourth* the principal of the Class A-4 Notes, *fifth* the Deferred Interest on the Class B Notes, *sixth* the principal of the Class B Notes, *seventh* the Deferred Interest on the Class C Notes, and *eighth* the principal of the Class C Notes;
- (7) to the payment of the amounts referred in clauses (18) through (21) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (8) to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Class E Certificates Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Class E Certificates until the Holders of the Class E Certificates have realized a Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return of 12.0%;
- (9) to the payment to the Portfolio Manager of the Incentive Management Fee, if applicable; and



- (10) the remaining Principal Proceeds to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Class E Certificates Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Class E Certificates.

If on any Payment Date the amount available in the Payment Account is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for in the order and according to the priority under “—Interest Proceeds” and “—Principal Proceeds,” to the extent funds are available therefor.

### **The Class Q-1 Securities**

The Class Q-1 Securities will be issued pursuant to the Indenture. The Class Q-1 Securities will consist of the Class Q-1 Note Component and the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component. The Class Q-1 Note Component will represent an initial aggregate principal amount of U.S. \$12,600,000 of Class C Notes. The Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component will represent a Face Amount of U.S. \$7,400,000 of Class E Certificates. Each Class Q-1 Security is a single security, the components of which are not separately transferable. However, a Holder may exchange its Class Q-1 Security with the Trustee for the corresponding interests in the related components, as described below.

The initial aggregate principal amount of the Class C Notes and Class E Certificates to which the Class Q-1 Note Component and the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component relate are included in (and are not in addition to) the initial aggregate principal amount of the Class C Notes and Class E Certificates. Each Class Q-1 Security represents an undivided beneficial ownership interest in the cash flows on the Class Q-1 Note Component and the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component.

The Class Q-1 Securities are scheduled to mature on the Payment Date in November 2017; unless the maturity is extended.

Except as described herein or unless the context otherwise requires, references herein to the Class C Notes or Notes (or the Holders thereof) include the Class Q-1 Note Component (or the Holders of the Class Q-1 Securities to the extent thereof), whether or not explicitly mentioned, and references to the Class E Certificates (or the Holders thereof) include the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Components (or the Holders of the Class Q-1 Securities to the extent thereof), whether or not explicitly mentioned.

On each Payment Date on which payments, whether of principal or interest, are made on the Class C Notes or any distributions are made on the Class E Certificates, a portion of such payment will be allocated to the Class Q-1 Securities in the proportion that the principal amount of the Class C comprising the Class Q-1 Note Component bears to the aggregate principal amount of the Class C Notes as a whole (including the Class Q-1 Note Component) and the Face Amount of the Class E Certificates comprising the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component bears to the aggregate Face Amount of all Class E Certificates as a whole (including the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component). No other payments will be made on the Class Q-1 Securities.

The rating by Moody's on the Class Q-1 Securities applies only to the return of the Class Q-1 Rated Principal. All distributions made with respect to the Class Q-1 Securities will reduce the outstanding Class Q-1 Rated Principal. The rating assigned by Moody's to the Class Q-1 Securities represents Moody's view only as to the likelihood of receiving an ultimate return of principal on the Class Q-1 Securities.

The Holders of Class Q-1 Securities will be entitled to (i) voting rights in the Class C Notes, in the proportion that the Class Q-1 Note Component bears to the aggregate principal amount of the Class C Notes as a whole (including the Class Q-1 Note Component) and (ii) voting rights in the Class E Certificates, in the proportion that the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component bears to the aggregate Face Amount of the Class E Certificates as a whole (including the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate

Component). The Holders of the Class Q-1 Securities will not be entitled to voting rights as a separate class, except in limited circumstances described in the Indenture.

Investors considering purchasing Class Q-1 Securities should consider carefully the discussions in this Offering Memorandum of the Class C Notes and the Class E Certificates represented by the Class Q-1 Note Component and the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component, as applicable, including the risk factors applicable thereto.

Pursuant to the Indenture, a Holder of the Class Q-1 Security may exchange, subject to the applicable minimum denomination requirements, Class Q-1 Securities for interests in the Class C Notes, in the form of a Rule 144A Global Note, Temporary Regulation S Global Security or a Regulation S Global Security (in an amount equal to the Class Q-1 Note Component of such Class Q-1 Securities) and a Certificated Class E Certificate or, in the case of a Holder that is a non-U.S. Person (as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act) an interest in Class E Certificates in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security (in an amount equal to the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component of such Class Q-1 Securities), in the manner described in the Indenture. Thereafter, the Holder or beneficial owner of a Class Q-1 Security so exchanged will be the Holder or beneficial owner of the applicable Class C Notes and the Class E Certificates, in each case received upon such exchange. No Holder of Class C Notes or Class E Certificates (including a Holder that received such Class C Notes or Class E Certificates upon an exchange of a Class Q-1 Security) will have the right to exchange such Class C Notes and/or Class E Certificates for a Class Q-1 Security. No service charge will be made for any such exchange of Class Q-1 Securities, but the Issuer or the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection with such exchange. Following any such exchange, the rating of the exchanged Class Q-1 Securities by any Rating Agency may not apply to the Securities received in such exchange.

In an Amendment Buy-Out that affects only one Component of a Class Q-1 Security, the Non-Consenting Holder, at its option, may require the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase its Class Q-1 Security as a whole or may exchange its Class Q-1 Security into its Class Q-1 Components and require the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase solely the affected Component. *See “Amendment Buy-Out” above.* If a holder of Class Q-1 Securities votes the Class E Certificates represented by its related Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component to remove the Portfolio Manager without cause, and a Removal Buy-Out Purchaser exercise its right to purchase the Directing Class E Certificates, the Class Q-1 Securities that include such Class E Components will be deemed exchanged for their respective components, the Class E Certificates represented by such Class E Components will be so purchased and the applicable Buy-Out Amount will be distributed to the Holders of such Class Q-1 Securities, and such Holders will receive in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture the Class C Notes represented by the Class Q-1 Note Component of their Class Q-1 Securities.

### **The Class P Securities**

The Class P-1 Securities will consist of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component, representing U.S.\$20,000,000 (face value) U.S. Treasury securities with zero coupon due November 15, 2013, and the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component, representing 6,180 Class E Certificates. The Class P-2 Securities will consist of the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component, representing U.S.\$5,000,000 (face value) U.S. Treasury securities with zero coupon due November 15, 2013, and the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component, representing 1,500 Class E Certificates. The Class P-1 Securities and the Class P-2 Securities are each a single Class and their respective P-1 Components and P-2 Components are not transferable separately. Payments on the Class P Securities will be made on the Class P Securities Payment Dates as set forth herein and in the Indenture.

The Class P-1 Securities will be rated “Aaa” by Moody’s (which rating addresses the ultimate payment of principal of the Class P-1 Rated Principal Balance). The Class P-2 Securities will be rated “Aaa” by Moody’s (which rating addresses the ultimate payment of principal of the Class P-2 Rated

Principal Balance. The rating assigned by Moody's to the Class P Securities represents Moody's view only as to the likelihood of receiving an ultimate return of principal on such Securities.

On each Payment Date, until the outstanding balance of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component is reduced to \$10,000, the Trustee will obtain a Class P U.S. Treasury Bid on a portion of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component with a face amount equal to the Class P-1 Accelerated Payment Notional Amount as of such Payment Date. If such Class P U.S. Treasury Bid is equal to or higher than the corresponding reference price set forth in the Indenture, the Trustee will liquidate, on behalf of the Class P-1 Securityholders, a portion of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component with a face amount equal to the Class P-1 Accelerated Payment Notional Amount at such Class P U.S. Treasury Bid (such sale proceeds less any transaction costs, the **"Class P-1 Mandatory Accelerated Payment"**) not later than two Business Days after such Payment Date; *provided*, that, not later than 15 Business Days prior to a Payment Date, a Majority of the Class P-1 Securityholders may elect, by written notice to the Trustee, to waive the Class P-1 Mandatory Accelerated Payment for such Payment Date and all Payment Dates thereafter; *provided, further*, that not later than 15 Business Days prior to any subsequent Payment Date, a Majority of the Class P-1 Securityholders may, by written notice to the Trustee, reinstate the Class P-1 Mandatory Accelerated Payment for such Payment Date and/or all Payment Dates thereafter as set forth in such notice. If the Class P U.S. Treasury Bid is lower than the corresponding reference price set forth in the Indenture, the Trustee will notify the Class P-1 Securityholders of such Class P U.S. Treasury Bid not later than two Business Days after such Payment Date. Not later than three Business Days after such notice, the Class P-1 Securityholders representing a Majority of the Class P-1 Securities may instruct the Trustee of a face amount of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component to liquidate (the **"Class P-1 Optional Accelerated Payment Notional Amount,"** which amount may not exceed the applicable Class P-1 Accelerated Payment Notional Amount) and the minimum acceptable Liquidation Value. Not later than two Business Days after such direction, the Trustee will liquidate, on behalf of the Class P-1 Securityholders, a portion of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component with a face amount equal to the Class P-1 Optional Accelerated Payment Notional Amount at the then-prevailing Class P U.S. Treasury Bid (such sale proceeds less any transaction costs, the **"Class P-1 Optional Accelerated Payment"**); *provided*, that the liquidation value at such Class P U.S. Treasury Bid is equal to or higher than the minimum acceptable liquidation value provided by the Class P-1 Securityholders. If no such direction is given by the Class P-1 Securityholders representing a Majority of the Class P-1 Securities or if the then-prevailing Class P U.S. Treasury Bid would result in a liquidation value that is lower than the minimum acceptable liquidation value provided by the Class P-1 Securityholders, the Trustee will not liquidate any portion of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component. All proceeds from the liquidation of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component will be deposited into the Class P-1 Collection Account.

On each Payment Date, until the outstanding balance of the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component is reduced to \$10,000, the Trustee will obtain a Class P U.S. Treasury Bid on the portion of the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component with a face amount equal to the Class P-2 Accelerated Payment Notional Amount as of such Payment Date. If such Class P U.S. Treasury Bid is equal to or higher than the corresponding reference price set forth in the Indenture, the Trustee will liquidate, on behalf of the Class P-2 Securityholders, a portion of the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component with a face amount equal to the Class P-2 Accelerated Payment Notional Amount at such Class P U.S. Treasury Bid (such sale proceeds less any transaction costs, the **"Class P-2 Mandatory Accelerated Payment"**) not later than two Business Days after such Payment Date; *provided*, that, not later than 15 Business Days prior to a Payment Date, a Majority of the Class P-2 Securityholders may elect, by written notice to the Trustee, to waive the Class P-2 Mandatory Accelerated Payment for such Payment Date and all Payment Dates thereafter; *provided, further*, that not later than 15 Business Days prior to any subsequent Payment Date, a Majority of the Class P-2 Securityholders may, by written notice to the Trustee, reinstate the Class P-2 Mandatory Accelerated Payment for such Payment Date and/or all Payment Dates thereafter as set forth in such notice. If the Class P U.S. Treasury Bid is lower than the corresponding reference price set forth in the Indenture, the Trustee will notify the Class P-2 Securityholders of such Class P U.S. Treasury Bid not later than two Business Days after such Payment Date. Not later than three Business Days after such

notice, the Class P-2 Securityholders representing a Majority of the Class P-2 Securities may instruct the Trustee of a face amount of the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component to liquidate (the “**Class P-2 Optional Accelerated Payment Notional Amount**,” which amount will not exceed the applicable Class P-2 Accelerated Payment Notional Amount) and the minimum acceptable Liquidation Value. Not later than two Business Days after such direction, the Trustee will liquidate, on behalf of the Class P-2 Securityholders, a portion of the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component with a face amount equal to the Class P-2 Optional Accelerated Payment Notional Amount at the then-prevailing Class P U.S. Treasury Bid (such sale proceeds less any transaction costs, the “**Class P-2 Optional Accelerated Payment**”); *provided*, that the liquidation value at such Class P U.S. Treasury Bid is equal to or higher than the minimum acceptable liquidation value provided by the Class P-2 Securityholders. If no such direction is given by the Class P-2 Securityholders representing a Majority of the Class P-2 Securities or if the then-prevailing Class P U.S. Treasury Bid would result in a liquidation value that is lower than the minimum acceptable liquidation value provided by the Class P-2 Securityholders, the Trustee will not liquidate any portion of the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component. All proceeds from the liquidation of the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component will be deposited into the Class P-2 Collection Account.

On each Class P Securities Payment Date, (i) an amount equal to the Class P-1 Net Periodic Distribution for such Class P Securities Payment Date will be distributed to the Class P-1 Securityholders and (ii) an amount equal to the Class P-2 Net Periodic Distribution for such Class P Securities Payment Date will be distributed to the Class P-2 Securityholders.

Prior to the Stated Maturity, the Class P-1 Nominal Principal Outstanding will not be reduced to less than \$500,000, and following the reduction of the Class P-1 Nominal Principal Amount Outstanding to \$500,000, on each Class P Securities Payment Date, an amount equal to the amount that would otherwise be distributed with respect to the Class P-1 Securities on such date *less* the Class P-1 Notional Coupon Payment on the applicable Class P Securities Payment Date (so long as such Class P-1 Notional Coupon Payment is greater than zero) will be withheld and deposited into the Class P-1 Principal Reserve Account until the balance of the Class P-1 Principal Reserve Account is equal to \$500,000. Upon the Stated Maturity (or, if earlier, redemption of the Class P-1 Securities), the Class P-1 Principal Reserve Account will be liquidated and distributed to the Class P-1 Securityholders as the final payment on the Class P-1 Securities. The Class P-1 Notional Coupon Rate will be adjusted upward accordingly should such final payment be higher than the Class P-1 Nominal Principal Outstanding at that time.

All Payments received on the Class P-1 Securities will reduce the Class P-1 Rated Principal Balance in accordance with the definition thereof.

All payments received on the Class P-2 Securities will reduce the Class P-2 Rated Principal Balance in accordance with the definition thereof.

The Class P-1 Securityholders will be entitled to voting rights in the Class E Certificates, in the proportion that the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component bears to the aggregate number of Class E Certificates (including the related Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component and the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component) and Class P-2 Securityholders will be entitled to voting rights in the Class E Certificates, in the proportion that the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component bears to the aggregate number of Class E Certificates (including the related Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component and the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component).

In connection with the liquidation of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component (or portion thereof) or the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component (or portion thereof), the Class P Securityholders, by their purchase of such Class P Securities, acknowledge and agree that (i) the Trustee may utilize any dealer, including the Initial Purchaser, to accomplish the liquidation of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component (or portion thereof) or Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component (or portion thereof), as applicable, (ii) the price obtained by the Trustee from such dealer shall be deemed to be the fair market value for the Class P-

1 U.S. Treasury Component (or portion thereof) or the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component (or portion thereof), as applicable and (iii) they shall have no recourse to the Trustee or such dealer in connection with such liquidation.

Pursuant to the Indenture, a Holder of Class P Securities may exchange Class P Securities for (i) a Certificated Class E Certificate or, in the case of a Holder that is a non-U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act) an interest in Class E Certificates in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security (in an amount equal to the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component or Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component of such Class P Securities, subject to the minimum denomination requirements applicable to the Class E Certificates), and (ii) a *pro rata* in kind distribution of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component or Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component, as applicable, of such Class P Securities), subject to compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Class E Certificates and in the manner described in the Indenture and the Class E Certificate Documents. Thereafter, the Holder of a beneficial interest in a Class P Security so exchanged will be the Holder of the applicable Class E Certificates, in each case received upon such exchange. No Holder of Class E Certificates and any U.S. Treasury securities of the kind represented by the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component or the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component, as applicable (including a Holder that received such Class E Certificates or U.S. Treasury securities upon an exchange of a Class P Security) will have the right to exchange such Class E Certificates and/or U.S. Treasury securities for a Class P Security. No service charge will be made for any such exchange of Class P Securities, but the Issuer or the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection with such exchange. Following any such exchange, the rating of the exchanged Class P Securities by any Rating Agency will not apply to the Class E Certificates received in such exchange.

A Holder or beneficial owner of a Class P Security may exchange, subject to the applicable minimum denomination requirements, its Class P Securities for interests in the Class E Certificates (in an amount equal to the applicable Class P Class E Certificate Component) and the U.S. Treasury securities represented by the applicable Class P U.S. Treasury Component, as applicable, in the manner provided in the Indenture and in the case of the Class P Class E Certificate Component, in the manner provided in the Class E Certificate Documents for transfer of a Certificated Class E Certificate or an interest in a Class E Certificate in the form of a Regulation S Global Security or Temporary Regulation S Global Security, as applicable. In addition, a Holder or beneficial owner of a Class P Security will be required to exchange all but not less than all of its interest in a Class P Security for interests in the Class E Certificates (in an amount equal to the applicable Class P Class E Certificate Component) on the Class P Payment Date next following the earlier of the maturity or full liquidation of the U.S. Treasury securities represented by the applicable Class P U.S. Treasury Component, in the manner provided in the Indenture and in the manner provided in the Class E Certificate Documents.

Following an Optional Redemption (or other earlier redemption) of the Class E Certificates or the liquidation and distribution of the Collateral in full, if any Class P Securities are then Outstanding, each Class P Security will be redeemed by the Issuer, in whole, but not in part, on the next following Class P Securities Payment Date from the Class P-1 Collateral or Class P-2 Collateral, as applicable, available for that purpose, in each case, at the applicable Class P-1 Redemption Price or Class P-2 Redemption Price.

### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Global Securities**

The Notes (other than the Class A-1A Notes and the Class A-1B Notes), Class E Certificates, Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities sold in offshore transactions to non-U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S) in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by one or more Temporary Regulation S Global Securities or, following the Exchange Date, Regulation S Global Securities. The Temporary Regulation S Global Securities and Regulation S Global Securities will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depositary for credit to

Depository participants that hold such positions on behalf of Euroclear and Clearstream, for further credit to the respective accounts of Euroclear and Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream. Investors may hold their interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security directly through Euroclear or Clearstream, if they are participants in such systems, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in such systems. Beneficial interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Securities or Regulation S Global Security may not be held by a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) at any time. By acquisition of a beneficial interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Securities or Regulation S Global Security, the purchaser thereof will be deemed to represent that it is not a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S). Any interest in a Note in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security may only be transferred to (i) another non-U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S), (ii) to a person whom the seller reasonably believes to be a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser that takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note.. An interest in a Class E Certificate, Class Q-1 Security or Class P Security in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or a Regulation S Global Security may be transferred only to (i) another non-U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) or (ii) a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) who takes delivery in the form of a Certificated Class E Certificate, Certificated Class Q-1 Security, Certificated Class P-1 Security or Certificated Class P-2 Security, as applicable, and is both (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer or, in the case of the Class E Certificates only, an Accredited Investor and (b) a Qualified Purchaser. No service charge will be made for any registration of transfer or exchange of an interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or a Regulation S Global Note, but the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

The Notes (other than the Class A-1A Notes and the Class A-1B Notes) initially sold in the United States or to U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S) may only be sold to Qualified Purchasers that are Qualified Institutional Buyers in a transaction in reliance on Rule 144A under the Securities Act and will be represented by one or more Rule 144A Global Notes deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository. With respect to the Rule 144A Global Notes, the Depository will credit the account of each of its participants with the principal amount of the Notes being purchased by or through the participant. Beneficial interests in a Rule 144A Global Note will be shown on, and transfers thereof will be effected only through, records maintained by the Depository and its direct and indirect participants. The Notes may be resold within the United States or to U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S) only to purchasers that are Qualified Institutional Buyers who are also Qualified Purchasers, who purchase such Notes for their own account or for the account of a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is also a Qualified Purchaser.

Beneficial interests in Notes, Class E Certificates, Class Q-1 Securities and Class P Securities represented by Global Securities will be subject to certain restrictions on transfer set forth therein and in the Indenture and such Global Securities will bear the applicable legends regarding the restrictions set forth under "Transfer Restrictions." A beneficial interest in a Note represented by a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that the transfer is being made to a person whom the transferor reasonably believes is a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is also a Qualified Purchaser and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction. A beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that the transfer is being made to a non-U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) in an offshore transaction in accordance with Regulation S. A beneficial interest in a Class E Certificate represented by a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of

Certificated Class E Certificate only upon (*inter alia*) receipt by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent of a written certification (in the form provided in the Class E Certificate Documents) from the transferee. A beneficial interest in a Class Q-1 Security or a Class P Security represented by a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of Certificated Class Q-1 Security or Certificated Class P Security, as applicable, only upon (*inter alia*) receipt by the Trustee of a written certification (in the applicable form provided in the Indenture) from the transferee.

Any beneficial interest in a Note represented by a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or a Regulation S Global Security that is transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will, upon transfer, cease to be an interest in such Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security and become an interest in the Rule 144A Global Note and, accordingly, will thereafter be subject to all transfer restrictions and other procedures applicable to beneficial interests in a Rule 144A Global Note for as long as it remains such an interest. Any beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note that is transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security will, upon transfer, cease to be an interest in the Rule 144A Global Note and become an interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security and, accordingly, will thereafter be subject to all transfer restrictions and other procedures applicable to beneficial interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security for as long as it remains such an interest. No service charge will be made for any registration of transfer or exchange of interests in Global Securities, but the Co-Issuers or the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

The Securities are not issuable in bearer form. Except in the limited circumstances described in the next paragraph, owners of beneficial interests in the Global Securities will not be entitled to have such Securities registered in their names, will not receive or be entitled to receive definitive physical securities and will not be considered Holders of such Securities under the Indenture. If (i) the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for a Global Security or ceases to be a "Clearing Agency" registered under the Exchange Act and a successor depository is not appointed by the Issuer within 90 days of such notice, (ii) as a result of any amendment to or change in, the laws or regulations of the Cayman Islands or of any authority therein or thereof having power to tax or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations which become effective on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer or the Paying Agent becomes aware that it is or will be required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Securities which would not be required if the Global Securities were in definitive form or (iii) an Event of Default under the Indenture has occurred and is continuing and has not been waived, the Co-Issuers will issue or cause to be issued securities in registered form and in the form of definitive physical securities in exchange for the applicable Global Securities to the beneficial owners of such Global Securities in the manner set forth in the Indenture. In the event that certificated Securities are not so issued by the Co-Issuers to such beneficial owners of interests in Global Securities, the Issuer expressly acknowledges that such beneficial owners shall be entitled to pursue any remedy that the Holders of a Global Security would be entitled to pursue in accordance with the Indenture (but only to the extent of such beneficial owner's interest in the Global Security) as if certificated Securities had been issued. Payments on such certificated Securities will be made by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a Dollar-denominated account maintained by the owner or, if a wire transfer cannot be effected, by a Dollar check delivered to the Holder.

The Notes will be issued and may be transferred only in minimum denominations of U.S.\$500,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof. The Class Q-1 Securities will be issued and transferable in the minimum denomination of U.S. \$1,400,000 and integral multiples of U.S. \$100,000 in excess thereof in order to satisfy the applicable minimum denomination with respect to each Class Q-1 Component thereof and maintain the ratio between such Class Q-1 Components. The Class P-1 Securities will be issued and transferable in the minimum denomination of U.S.\$2,000,000 in stated amount, and

integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000,000 in excess thereof, in order to satisfy the applicable minimum denomination with respect to each Class P-1 Component thereof and maintain the ratio between such Class P-1 Components. The Class P-2 Securities will be issued and transferable in the minimum denomination of U.S.\$1,700,000 in stated amount, and integral multiples of U.S.\$50,000 in excess thereof, in order to satisfy the applicable minimum denomination with respect to each Class P-1 Component thereof and maintain the ratio between such Class P-1 Components. Notwithstanding the minimum denomination requirements set forth in the preceding sentences, the Indenture Securities may be transferred or exchanged in such lesser denominations if a Holder effecting any such transfer or exchange owns less than the minimum denomination applicable to such Class of Indenture Securities as a result of repayments of principal thereof and such Holder is effecting a transfer or exchange of not less than all of its interest in the applicable Class of Notes. The Class E Certificates will be issued in and may be transferred only in minimum denominations of 500 certificates and integral multiples of one certificate in excess thereof; *provided* that one Class E Certificate may be issued and may be transferred in a minimum denomination of 200 certificates and integral multiples of one certificate in excess thereof.

As used in this section “U.S. person” means a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S.

### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Certificated Securities**

#### *Class A-1A Notes and Class A-1B Notes*

All Class A-1A Notes will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Class A-1A Notes in definitive, fully registered form, without interest coupons, registered in the name of the owner thereof (“**Certificated Class A-1A Note**”). All Class A-1B Notes will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Class A-1B Notes in definitive, fully registered form, without interest coupons, registered in the name of the owner thereof (“**Certificated Class A-1B Note**”, and together with the Certificated Class A-1A Notes, the Certificated Class A-1 Notes”). Class A-1A Notes and Class A-1B Notes may be transferred only in the form of Certificated Class A-1 Notes (i) to Persons that are both (A) Qualified Institutional Buyers and (B) Qualified Purchasers or (ii) to non-U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S) in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S, which in each case of a transfer during the Draw Period (in the case of the Class A-1A Notes) or the Delayed Drawdown Period (in the case of the Class A-1B Notes) also meet the Rating Criteria.

Certificated Class A-1 Notes will be subject to certain additional restrictions on transfer set forth therein and in the Indenture and the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement and the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement, as applicable, and will bear the applicable legends regarding the restrictions set forth under “Transfer Restrictions.” Certificated Class A-1 Notes may be transferred only in accordance with the Indenture and the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement or the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement, as applicable and upon (*inter alia*) receipt by the Trustee and the Issuer of a written certification (in the form provided in the Indenture) from the transferee regarding compliance with the applicable transfer restrictions. See “Transfer Restrictions.”

#### *Class E Certificates, Class Q-1 Securities and Class P Securities*

All Class E Certificates, Class Q-1 Securities and Class P Securities sold in the United States or to U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S) will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Class E Certificates (“**Certificated Class E Certificates**”), or certificated Class Q-1 Securities (“**Certificated Class Q-1 Securities**”), or certificated Class P-1 Securities (“**Certificated Class P-1 Securities**”) or certificated Class P-2 Securities (“**Certificated Class P-2 Securities**”, and together with the Certificated Class P-1 Securities, the “**Certificated Class P Securities**”), as applicable, in each case in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof. Class E Certificates, Class Q-1 Securities and Class P Securities may be transferred only (i) in the form of Certificated Class E Certificates, Certificated Class Q-1 Securities or Certificated Class P Securities, as applicable, to Persons that are both



(A) Qualified Institutional Buyers or, in the case of the Class E Certificates only, Accredited Investors (provided that in the case of any transfer to an Accredited Investor and if requested by or on behalf of the Issuer, the transferor or the transferee will be required to provide an opinion of counsel to each of the Issuer, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent and the Class E Certificate Registrar to the effect that such transfer may be made pursuant to an exemption from registration under the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws) and (B) Qualified Purchasers or, in the case of the Class E Certificates only, Knowledgeable Employees or (ii) in the form of an interest in Class E Certificates, Class Q-1 Securities or Class P Securities, as applicable, represented by a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or a Regulation S Global Security, as applicable, to non-U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S) in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S.

Certificated Class E Certificates will be subject to certain restrictions on transfer set forth therein and in the Class E Certificate Documents and will bear the applicable legends regarding the restrictions set forth under “Transfer Restrictions.” Certificated Class E Certificates may be transferred only upon (*inter alia*) receipt by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent of a written certification (in the form provided in the Class E Certificate Documents) from the transferee. Certificated Class Q-1 Securities and Certificated Class P Securities will be subject to certain restrictions on transfer set forth therein and in or pursuant to the Indenture and will bear the applicable legends regarding the restrictions set forth under “Transfer Restrictions.” Certificated Class Q-1 Securities and Certificated Class P Securities may be transferred only upon (*inter alia*) receipt by the Trustee of a written certification (in the applicable form provided in the Indenture) from the transferee. See “Transfer Restrictions.”

Payments on Certificated Class E Certificates, the Certificated Class Q-1 Securities and the Certificated Class P Securities will be made by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a Dollar-denominated account maintained by the owner or, if a wire transfer cannot be effected, by a Dollar check delivered to the owner. See “Settlement and Clearing.”

The Class E Certificates will be issued and may be transferred only in minimum denominations of 500 certificates and integral multiples of one certificate in excess thereof; *provided* that one Class E Certificate may be issued and may be transferred in a minimum denomination of 200 certificates and integral multiples of one certificate in excess thereof. The Class Q-1 Securities will be issued and transferable in the minimum denomination of U.S. \$1,400,000 in order to satisfy the applicable minimum denomination with respect to each component thereof and maintain the ratio between such components. The Class P-1 Securities will be issued and transferable in the minimum denomination of U.S. \$2,000,000 in order to satisfy the applicable minimum denomination with respect to each component thereof and maintain the ratio between such components. The Class P-2 Securities will be issued and transferable in the minimum denomination of U.S. \$1,700,000 in order to satisfy the applicable minimum denomination with respect to each component thereof and maintain the ratio between such components.

Walkers SPV Limited has been appointed and will serve as the registrar with respect to the Class E Certificates (the “**Class E Certificates Registrar**”) and will provide for (*inter alia*) the registration of the Class E Certificates and the registration of transfers of the Class E Certificates in accordance with the Class E Certificate Documents and the Administration Agreement in the register maintained by it.

As used in this section “U.S. person” means a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S.

## **The Indenture**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Indenture. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Indenture.

*Events of Default*

“**Event of Default**” is defined in the Indenture as:

(a) a default for four Business Days in the payment of any interest on any of the Class A-1A Notes (or the Commitment Fee with respect to the Class A-1A Notes), the Class A-1B Notes (or the Delayed Drawdown Fee with respect to the Class A-1B Notes), the Class A-1C Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes or the Class A-4 Notes or, after no Class A Notes are Outstanding, on any Class of Notes that is currently part of the Controlling Class when it becomes payable (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, any paying agent or the Indenture Registrar, after seven Business Days);

(b) a default in the payment of principal (including Deferred Interest) of any Note, when the same becomes payable, at its Stated Maturity or on the Redemption Date or otherwise (or, in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, any paying agent or the Indenture Registrar, such default has continued for three Business Days);

(c) the failure on any Payment Date to disburse amounts available in the Payment Account in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the failure continues for 3 Business Days (or, in the case of a failure to disburse such amounts due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, any paying agent or the Indenture Registrar, such failure continues for six Business Days);

(d) on any Measurement Date for so long as any Class A-1A Notes, Class A-1B Notes, Class A-1C Notes, Class A-2 Notes, Class A-3 Notes or Class A-4 Notes are Outstanding, the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is less than 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class A-4 Notes;

(e) either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral becomes an investment company under the Investment Company Act;

(f) breach of any other covenant or other agreement or warranty of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Indenture (other than any failure to satisfy any of the Collateral Quality Tests, any of the Concentration Limitations, any of the Coverage Tests, the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test, or other covenants or agreements for which a specific remedy has been provided under the Indenture) in any material respect, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer made in the Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant thereto, or in connection therewith, to be correct in any material respect when made, and the breach or failure continues for 30 days after either of the Co-Issuers has actual knowledge of it or after notice to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Portfolio Manager by the Trustee or to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class by registered or certified mail or overnight courier specifying the breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that the notice is a “Notice of Default” under the Indenture;

(g) the entry of a decree or order by a court having competent jurisdiction adjudging the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, or composition of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, and if the decree or order remains unstayed and in effect for 45 consecutive days;

(h) the institution by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of Proceedings to have the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, or the filing by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Bankruptcy Law or any other similar applicable law, or the consent by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or the taking of any action by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in furtherance of any such action; or

(i) one or more final judgments is rendered against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer that exceed in the aggregate U.S.\$2,000,000 (or any lesser amount specified by Moody's) and that remain unstayed, undischarged, and unsatisfied for 30 days after the judgments become nonappealable, unless adequate funds have been reserved or set aside for their payment, unless (except as otherwise specified in writing by Moody's) the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's is satisfied with respect thereto.

If an Event of Default is continuing (other than an Event of Default described in clauses (e), (g), (h) or (i) under "—Events of Default" above), the Trustee may, with the written consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, and upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall, declare the principal of all the Notes to be immediately payable by notice to the Co-Issuers, and upon that declaration the unpaid principal of all the Notes, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), and other amounts payable under the Indenture, shall become immediately payable. The Reinvestment Period shall terminate upon a declaration of acceleration (subject to re-commencement as described below). If an Event of Default described in clauses (e), (g), (h) or (i) above under "—Events of Default" occurs, all unpaid principal, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), of all the Notes, and other amounts payable under the Indenture, shall automatically become payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any Noteholder and the Reinvestment Period shall terminate automatically (subject to re-commencement as described below).

At any time after the declaration of acceleration of maturity has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, may rescind the declaration and its consequences if:

(i) the Issuer has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:

(A) all unpaid installments of interest and principal on the Notes then due (other than as a result of the acceleration);

(B) to the extent that payment of the interest is lawful, interest on any Deferred Interest and Defaulted Interest at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable;

(C) all Administrative Expenses of the Co-Issuers and other sums paid or advanced by the Trustee under the Indenture;

(D) all unpaid Senior Management Fees; and

- (E) all amounts then payable to any Hedge Counterparty; and
- (ii) the Trustee has determined that all Events of Default, other than the nonpayment of the interest on or principal of the Notes that have become due solely by such acceleration, have been (A) cured, and a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Trustee has agreed with that determination, or (B) waived as provided in the Indenture.

No rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right resulting from the Default.

If an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee will retain the Collateral intact, collect, and cause the collection of the proceeds of the Collateral and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Collateral and the Notes and any Hedge Agreements (other than amounts received under a Hedge Agreement that are used in putting a replacement hedge in place) in the manner described under “—Priority of Payments” and the Indenture unless either:

- (i) the Trustee determines (bid prices having been obtained with respect to each security contained in the Collateral from two nationally recognized dealers (or if there is only one dealer, that dealer and if there is no dealer, from a pricing service), selected and specified by the Portfolio Manager to the Trustee in writing, at the time making a market in those securities, and having computed the anticipated proceeds of sale or liquidation on the basis of the lower of the bid prices for each security) that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would (after deduction of the reasonable expenses of the sale or liquidation) be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and the Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to any Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by such Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) under “—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds,” and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination;
- (ii) in the case of an Event of Default other than pursuant to clause (d) of the definition thereof, the Holders of a Majority of each of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class A-4 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral; or
- (iii) in the event of an Event of Default pursuant to clause (d) of the definition thereof, a Majority of the Class A Notes (voting together as a single Class) direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral.

During the continuance of an Event of Default, a Majority of the Controlling Class may institute and direct the time, method, and place of conducting any proceedings for any remedy available to the Trustee or for the exercise of any right of the Trustee under the Indenture if the direction does not conflict with any rule of law or with any express provision of the Indenture and the Trustee has been indemnified to its reasonable satisfaction. Any direction to the Trustee to undertake a sale of the Collateral shall be by the Holders of Notes representing the requisite percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes specified in the Indenture. The Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability unless it has received an indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it against the liability.

A Majority of the Controlling Class on behalf of the Holders of all the Notes before the time a judgment or decree for the payment of money due has been obtained by the Trustee, may waive any past Event of Default or event that, with notice or the lapse of time or both would become an Event of Default and its consequences, except such a default:

- (i) in the payment of principal or Redemption Price of any Note or in the payment of interest (including Defaulted Interest, Deferred Interest, and any interest on Defaulted Interest or Deferred Interest) on the Notes;
- (ii) with respect to a provision of the Indenture that cannot be modified or amended without the waiver or consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected by the modification or amendment;
- (iii) in the payment of amounts due to the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, or the Hedge Counterparty, which may only be waived with the consent of the affected party; or
- (iv) arising as a result of an Event of Default described in clause (e), (g) or (h) under “—Events of Default.”

No Holder of any Note may institute any proceeding judicial or otherwise with respect to the Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy under the Indenture, unless:

- (i) the Holder has previously given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default;
- (ii) the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute Proceedings with respect to the Event of Default in its own name as Trustee under the Indenture and the Holders have offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with the request;
- (iii) the Trustee for 30 days after its receipt of the notice, request, and offer of indemnity has failed to institute a Proceeding; and
- (iv) no direction inconsistent with the written request has been given to the Trustee during the 30 day period by a Majority of the Controlling Class.

If the Trustee receives conflicting or inconsistent requests and indemnity from two or more groups of Holders of the Controlling Class, each representing less than a Majority of the Controlling Class, the Trustee shall take the action requested by the Holders of the largest percentage in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, notwithstanding any other provisions of the Indenture.

## **Supplemental Indentures**

### *Without Consent of Holders*

Without the consent of the Holders of any Indenture Securities (except as specifically provided in clauses (7), (16) and clause (17) below) or the Holders of any Class E Certificates, but with the consent of the parties the consent of which is required as described in the following paragraph, the Co-Issuers, when authorized by resolutions of the respective Boards of Directors, and the Trustee, at any time and from time to time subject to the requirement provided below with respect to satisfaction of the Rating Condition, may enter into one or more indentures supplemental to the Indenture, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, for any of the following purposes:

- (1) to evidence the succession of another person to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and the assumption by the successor person of the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Indenture and in the Indenture Securities;

- (2) to add to the covenants of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee for the benefit of the Holders of the Indenture Securities or to surrender any right in the Indenture conferred on the Co-Issuers;
- (3) to convey, transfer, assign, mortgage, or pledge any property to the Trustee, or add to the conditions, limitations or restrictions on the authorized amount, terms and purposes of the issue, authentication and delivery of the Indenture Securities;
- (4) evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment under the Indenture by a successor Trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of the Indenture necessary to facilitate the administration of the trusts under the Indenture by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of the Indenture;
- (5) correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of the Indenture, or to better assure, convey, and confirm to the Trustee any property subject or required to be subject to the lien of the Indenture (including all actions appropriate as a result of changes in law) or to subject to the lien of the Indenture any additional property;
- (6) modify the restrictions on and procedures for resales and other transfers of the Indenture Securities to reflect any changes in applicable law (or its interpretation) or to enable the Co-Issuers to rely on any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities Act or the Investment Company Act or to remove restrictions on resale and transfer to the extent not required under the Indenture;
- (7) with the consent of the Portfolio Manager and the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class (by Act of the Holders of the Controlling Class), to modify the restrictions on the sales of Collateral Obligations described in “Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Reinvestment of Principal Proceeds” or the Eligibility Criteria described in “Security for the Notes —Eligibility Criteria” (and the related definitions) in a manner not materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Portfolio Manager to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Notes or Class E Certificates;
- (8) make any changes required by (i) the Irish Stock Exchange (so long as any of the Notes are listed thereon) or (ii) the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange (so long as any of the Class E Certificates, Class Q-1 Securities or Class P Securities are listed thereon) or (iii) any other stock exchange on which any Class of Securities is listed in order to permit or maintain the listing of any Securities thereon;
- (9) otherwise to correct any inconsistency or cure any ambiguity or errors in the Indenture or to conform the Indenture to this Offering Memorandum;
- (10) accommodate the issuance of the Securities in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC or otherwise;
- (11) to take any appropriate action to prevent the Issuer, the Holders of Securities or the Trustee from becoming subject to withholding or other taxes, fees, or assessments or to prevent the Issuer from being treated as being engaged in a U.S. trade or business or otherwise being subject to U.S. federal, state, or local income tax on a net income basis, so long as the action will not cause the Holders of any Securities to be adversely affected

to any material extent by any change to the timing, character, or source of the income from the Securities, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion);

- (12) to authorize the appointment of any listing agent, transfer agent, paying agent, or additional registrar for any Class of Securities appropriate in connection with the listing of any such Class of Securities on any stock exchange, and otherwise to amend the Indenture to incorporate any changes required or requested by any governmental authority, stock exchange authority, listing agent, transfer agent, paying agent, or additional registrar for any Class of Securities in connection with its appointment, so long as the supplemental indenture would not materially and adversely affect any Holder of Securities, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of the Securities;
- (13) to amend, modify, enter into, or accommodate the execution of any contract relating to a Synthetic Security (including posting collateral under a Synthetic Security Agreement);
- (14) to modify certain representations as to Collateral and Class P Collateral in the Indenture in order that it may be consistent with applicable laws or Rating Agency requirements;
- (15) to evidence any waiver by any Rating Agency as to any requirement or condition, as applicable, of the Rating Agency in the Indenture;
- (16) with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class (by Act of the Holders of the Controlling Class), modify the calculation of the Collateral Quality Tests, Concentration Limitations or the Coverage Tests or related definitions to correspond with written changes in the guidelines, methodology or standards established by the Rating Agencies or as otherwise permitted by the Rating Agencies;
- (17) (a) with the consent of a Majority of the Class A-1A Notes (by Act of the Holders of the Class A-1A Notes), to amend any provisions herein relating solely to the manner, timing and conditions of Borrowings; and (b) with the consent of a Majority of the Class A-1B Notes (by Act of the Holders of the Class A-1B Notes), to amend any provisions herein relating solely to the manner, timing and conditions of Drawdowns;
- (18) to facilitate the issuance of participation notes, combination notes, combination securities and other similar securities;
- (19) to facilitate hedging transactions;
- (20) to facilitate the ability of the Issuer to lend Collateral Obligations pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement;
- (21) to modify any provision to facilitate an exchange of one security for another security of the same issuer or issuers that has substantially identical terms except transfer restrictions, including to effect any serial designation relating to the exchange;

- (22) with the consent of the Portfolio Manager, to enter into any additional agreements not expressly prohibited by the Indenture as well as any amendment, modification, or waiver if the Issuer determines that the amendment, modification, or waiver would not, upon or after becoming effective, materially and adversely affect the rights or interest of the Holders of any Class of Securities, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Portfolio Manager to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities; or
- (23) provide for the issuance of additional Class E Certificates to the extent permitted by the Class E Certificate Documents and to extend to such additional Class E Certificates the benefits applicable to the Class E Certificates under the Indenture and the Class E Certificate Documents.

Without the consent of the Portfolio Manager, no supplemental indenture may be entered into that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to the Portfolio Manager under the Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Portfolio Manager. The Trustee is authorized to join in the execution of any such supplemental indenture and to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations that may be in the agreements, but the Trustee shall not be obligated to enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties, liabilities, or immunities under the Indenture or otherwise, except to the extent required by law. Unless notified by a Majority of any Class of Securities that the Class of Securities would be materially and adversely affected, the Trustee may rely on a certificate of the Portfolio Manager and an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) as to whether the interests of any Holder of Securities would be materially and adversely affected by any such supplemental indenture. The Trustee will give notice of any such supplemental indenture to the Holders of Indenture Securities and to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates) at least 15 Business Days before execution thereof (or 60 calendar days before execution thereof, in the case of a supplemental indenture pursuant to clause (7), (16) and (17) above).

Except for a supplemental indenture described in clause (23) above, if any Outstanding Securities are rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee shall enter into a supplemental indenture without the consent of Holders only if either (1) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the supplemental indenture or (2) the Portfolio Manager and the Holders of 100% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Indenture Securities the ratings on which would be reduced or withdrawn consent to the supplemental indenture. Prior to the entry into any supplemental Indenture with respect to which a Rating Confirmation for one or more Classes of Indenture Securities is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Indenture Security informing them of such fact.

At the cost of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee will provide to each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding), the Holders of the Notes and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates), the Irish Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class of Notes is listed thereon), the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class E Certificates, Class Q-1 Securities or Class P Securities are listed thereon) and each Hedge Counterparty a copy of any such proposed supplemental indenture at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee.



*With Consent of Holders*

If the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency, with the consent of (a) the Portfolio Manager if the supplemental indenture would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under the Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Portfolio Manager, (b) a Majority of each Class of Indenture Securities adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of each such Class of Indenture Securities, and (c) a Majority of the Class E Certificates adversely affected thereby, the Trustee and the Co-Issuers may enter into a supplemental indenture to add any provisions to, or change in any manner, or eliminate any of the provisions of, the Indenture or modify in any manner the rights of the Holders of the Securities under the Indenture.

Any proposed supplemental indenture that would also necessitate a change to the Issuer Charter may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Issuer Charter) has been passed to permit the Issuer's constitutional documents to be altered to conform them to the proposed change to the Indenture as certified to the Trustee by the Issuer.

Notwithstanding anything in the Indenture to the contrary, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note or Class E Certificates adversely affected thereby, no supplemental indenture shall:

(i) change the Stated Maturity of the principal of or the due date of any installment of interest on any Note or of any payment to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Class E Certificates, reduce the principal amount or the rate of interest on any Note, or the Default Interest Rate or the Redemption Price with respect to any Note or Class E Certificate, or change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Class E Certificate may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer, change the provisions of the Indenture relating to the application of proceeds of any Collateral to the payment of principal of or interest on the Notes, or to payment to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Class E Certificates, or change any place where, or the coin or currency in which, principal, interest or other distributions on Securities are paid or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after their Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the applicable Redemption Date);

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class or Holders of Class E Certificates whose consent is required for the authorization of any such supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of the Indenture or certain defaults under the Indenture or their consequences provided for in the Indenture;

(iii) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on a parity with the lien of the Indenture with respect to any part of the Collateral or Class P Collateral or terminate the lien on any property at any time subject hereto or deprive the Holder of any Note of the security afforded by the lien of the Indenture;

(iv) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class whose consent is required to direct remedies or to sell or liquidate the Collateral pursuant to the Indenture;

(v) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture with respect to supplemental indentures or to provide that certain other provisions of the Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note and Class E Certificate affected thereby;

(vi) modify the definition of “Outstanding,” “Controlling Class,” or “Majority,” or the Priority of Payments in the Indenture; or

(vii) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of Redemption Price or of interest or principal on any Note or any payment to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent for the payment of dividends or other payments on the Class E Certificates on any Payment Date or to affect the rights of the Holders of Notes or Class E Certificates to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of the Notes or the Class E Certificates contained in the Indenture.

No supplemental indenture may modify the terms of the Class Q-1 Securities as such in a manner that would adversely affect the Class Q-1 Securities without the prior written consent of a majority of the stated amount of the Class Q-1 Securities or the consent of the Holders of each Outstanding Class Q-1 Security adversely affected thereby as set forth above. Except for any proposed such supplement that would affect the terms of the Class Q-1 Securities as such and except as set forth above, Holders of Class Q-1 Securities shall be entitled to vote with respect to any supplemental indenture only as Holders of the respective related components.

No supplemental indenture may modify the terms of the Class P Securities as such in a manner that would adversely affect the Class P Securities without the prior written consent of a majority of the stated amount of the Class P Securities or the consent of the Holders of each Outstanding Class P Security adversely affected thereby as set forth above. Except for any proposed such supplement that would affect the terms of the Class P-1 Securities and/or Class P-2 Securities, as applicable, as such and except as set forth above, Holders of Class P Securities shall be entitled to vote with respect to any supplemental indenture only as Holders of the related Class E Certificate Component.

Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the above provision, the Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail to the Holders of the Notes, the Portfolio Manager, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Securities are Outstanding) a copy of such supplemental indenture and shall request any required consent from the applicable Holders of Securities to be given within the Initial Consent Period. Any consent given to a proposed supplemental indenture by the Holder of any Securities shall be irrevocable and binding on all future Holders or beneficial owners of that Security, irrespective of the execution date of the supplemental indenture. If the Holders of less than the required percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the relevant Securities consent to a proposed supplemental indenture within the Initial Consent Period, on the first Business Day after the Initial Consent Period, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager which Holders of Securities have consented to the proposed supplemental indenture and, which Holders (and, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the Trustee, which beneficial owners) have not consented to the proposed supplemental indenture. If it intends to exercise its Amendment Buy-Out Option, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall so notify the Trustee (which notice shall designate a date for the Amendment Buy-Out to occur no earlier than 10 Business Days after the date of such notice) no later than five (5) Business Days after so being notified by the Trustee and the Trustee shall mail such notice to all Holders of Notes and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates). Any Non-Consenting Holder may give consent (by Act of such Holder), to the related proposed supplemental indenture until the 5<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the date of the Amendment Buy-Out designated by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and in such case shall cease to be a Non-Consenting Holder for purposes of the Amendment Buy-Out. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser exercises its Amendment Buy-Out Option and purchases the applicable Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, as Holder or beneficial owner of the applicable Securities, may consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture within five (5) Business Days of the Amendment Buy-Out.

It shall not be necessary for any Act of Holders of Securities under the above provision to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if the Act or consent approves its substance.

At the cost of the Co-Issuers, for so long as any Notes are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee will provide to the Rating Agency a copy of any proposed supplemental indenture at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee and a copy of the executed supplemental indenture will be mailed to the Holders of the Indenture Securities, the Portfolio Manager, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Class E Certificates) and each Rating Agency after its execution.

*Additional Issuance of Class E Certificates.*

The Indenture will provide that, at any time during the Reinvestment Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Class E Certificates and use the proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or as otherwise permitted under the Class E Certificate Documents and the Indenture; *provided*, that the following conditions are met: (a) the terms of the Class E Certificates issued must be identical to the terms of previously issued Class E Certificates; (b) the net proceeds of any additional Class E Certificates are used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations; and (c) an opinion of tax counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters shall be delivered to the Trustee to the effect that such additional issuance will not result in the Issuer being deemed to engage in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Such additional Class E Certificates may be offered at prices that differ from the applicable initial offering price; *provided* that such initial offering price shall not be below 100% of the face amount of the additional Class E Certificates being offered.

Any additional Class E Certificates issued will, to the extent reasonably practicable, be offered first to the existing Holders of the Class E Certificates, in such amounts as are necessary to preserve their pro rata holdings of Class E Certificates. By its acceptance of the Class E Certificates, each Holder of a Class E Certificate agrees that additional Class E Certificates can be issued in accordance with the Class E Certificate Documents and the Indenture without consent of any Holder of the Securities.

The Indenture does not permit the issuance of additional Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes, Class A-3 Notes, Class A-4 Notes, Class B Notes and Class C Notes or other obligations with terms similar to those of such Classes of Notes.

**Amendment Buy-Out**

In the case of any supplemental indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Securities held by such Holders of the Class of Securities whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture (the “**Amendment Buy-Out Option**”) for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all such Securities of Non-Consenting Holders, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an “**Amendment Buy-Out**”). If the solicited consent only affects one Class Q-1 Component of the Class Q-1 Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase, at the Non-consenting Holder’s option, its Class Q-1 Security as a whole or solely the affected Class Q-1 Component. In the case of the Class P Securities of Non-consenting Holders, such Class P Securities will be deemed exchanged for their respective components, only the Class E Certificate represented by the related Class E Certificate Component must be sold to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for a price equal to the Amendment Buy-Out Price, which will be distributed to such Non-consenting Holders, and such Non-Consenting Holders will receive a distribution in kind of the related

pro rata amount of the Class P U.S. Treasury Component. By its acceptance of its Securities under the Indenture or the Class E Certificate Documents, as applicable, each Holder of Securities agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its applicable Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser. In the case of the Class A-1 Notes, if an Amendment Buy-Out occurs on a day (the **“Amendment Buy-Out Trade Date”**) other than a Payment Date, the settlement of such Amendment Buy-Out will be deferred until the next following Payment Date (and, for the avoidance of doubt, the Non-Consenting Holder will be entitled to any payments received on such Payment Date and the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price will be calculated as of such Payment Date); *provided* that all other rights of a Holder or Beneficial Owner of such securities will be deemed transferred to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser as of the Amendment Buy-Out Trade Date. Neither the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser nor any other Person shall have any liability to any Holder or beneficial owner of Securities as a result of an election by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser not to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option.

All purchases made pursuant to an Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Securities set forth in “Transfer Restrictions” and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

### **Voting Rights of the Class E Certificates**

Holders of the Class E Certificates will have no voting rights, either general or special, of the Issuer, except as set forth in the Class E Certificate Documents, as required by Cayman Islands law or as otherwise described herein.

### **Notices**

Notices to the Holders of the Securities will be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the registered Holders of the Notes at their respective addresses appearing in the Indenture Register and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Class E Certificates). In addition, for so long as one or more Classes of Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of such exchange so require, notices to the Holders of such Notes shall also be given by publication in the *Daily Official List*. If and for so long as any Class E Certificates, Class Q-1 Securities or Class P Securities are listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, notice will also be given to the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange.

### **Certain Covenants**

The Indenture contains certain covenants restricting the conduct of the Co-Issuers, including (i) restrictions on consolidations, mergers and transfers or conveyances of assets involving either Co-Issuer, (ii) restrictions on incurrence of debt other than the Notes and certain obligations incidental to the performance by each Co-Issuer of its obligations under the Indenture, (iii) restrictions on the ability of each Co-Issuer to conduct activities inconsistent with its special-purpose nature, (iv) certain restrictions on amendments of the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Management Agreement and (v) certain tax-related restrictions.

### **Cancellation**

All Securities that are surrendered for payment, registration of transfer, exchange, or redemption, or lost or stolen will forthwith be canceled and may not be reissued or resold.

**No Gross-Up**

All payments made by the Issuer under the Securities will be made without any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax unless the deduction or withholding is required by any applicable law, as modified by the practice of any relevant governmental revenue authority, then in effect. If the Issuer is so required to deduct or withhold, then the Issuer will not be obligated to pay any additional amounts in respect of the withholding or deduction.

**Petitions for Bankruptcy**

The Indenture provides that the Trustee, each Hedge Counterparty, the Portfolio Manager and the Holders of the Notes may not cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the final payments to the Holders of all Notes (and the reduction of the Commitment to zero in the case of the Class A-1A Notes) or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, including any period established pursuant to the laws of the Cayman Islands.

**Standard of Conduct**

The Indenture provides that, in exercising any of its or their voting rights, rights to direct and consent or any other rights as a Noteholder under the Indenture, subject to the terms and conditions of the Indenture, a Noteholder shall not have any obligation or duty to any Person or to consider or take into account the interests of any Person and shall not be liable to any Person for any action taken by it or them or at its or their direction or any failure by it or them to act or to direct that an action be taken, without regard to whether the action or inaction benefits or adversely affects any Noteholder, the Issuer, or any other Person, except for any liability to which the Noteholder may be subject to the extent the same results from the Noteholders taking or directing an action, or failing to take or direct an action, in bad faith or in violation of the express terms of the Indenture.

**Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture**

The Indenture will be discharged with respect to the Indenture Securities and the Collateral and the Class P Collateral upon delivery to the Trustee for cancellation of all of the Indenture Securities or, within certain limitations (including the obligation to pay interest on or principal of the Indenture Securities) upon deposit with the Trustee of funds sufficient for the payment or redemption thereof and the payment by the Co-Issuers of all other amounts due under the Indenture.

**Trustee**

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, will be the Trustee under the Indenture. The Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager and their respective Affiliates may maintain other banking relationships in the ordinary course of business with the Trustee and its Affiliates. The payment of the fees and expenses of the Trustee relating to the Notes is solely the obligation of the Issuer. The payment of the fees and expenses ranks higher in the Priority of Payments than payments to the Holders of the Notes. The Trustee and its Affiliates may receive compensation in connection with the investment of trust assets in certain Eligible Investments as provided in the Indenture. Eligible Investments may include investments for which the Trustee or its affiliates provide services. The Indenture contains provisions for the indemnification of the Trustee for any loss, liability or expense incurred without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of the Indenture.

Pursuant to the Indenture, as security for the payment by the Issuer of the compensation and expenses of the Trustee and any sums the Trustee may be entitled to receive as indemnification by the

Issuer, the Issuer will grant the Trustee a senior lien on the Collateral, which is senior to the lien of the holders of the Secured Obligations on the Collateral.

Pursuant to the Indenture, the Trustee may resign at any time by providing 30 days' written notice and the Trustee may be removed at any time by a Majority of the Controlling Class, or by order of a court of competent jurisdiction. However, no resignation or removal of the Trustee will become effective until the acceptance of appointment by a successor Trustee pursuant to the terms of the Indenture.

### **Governing Law**

The Indenture Securities (except to the extent of any Class E Certificate Component), the Indenture, the Class E Certificate Paying Agency Agreement, the Management Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Purchase Agreement, the Placement Agency Agreement, the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement, the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement, the Securities Lending Agreements, and the Hedge Agreements will be governed by the laws of the State of New York. The Administration Agreement, the Issuer Charter and the Class E Certificates will be governed by the laws of the Cayman Islands.

Subject to the provisions relating to submission of jurisdiction contained in each of the agreements listed above that are governed by the laws of the State of New York, as a general matter, the parties of such agreements have agreed to submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or federal court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York, and that all claims in respect of the action or proceeding may be heard and determined in the New York State or federal court.

### **Method of Payments**

Payments of principal and interest on any Indenture Security or payments on or in respect of the Class E Certificates (including, in each case, any Redemption Price paid on the applicable Redemption Date) and of any payments on any Notes or Class E Certificates will be made to the person in whose name the related Note or Class E Certificate is registered fifteen days before the applicable Payment Date (the "**Record Date**"). Payments will be made (i) in the case of a Global Security, to the Depositary or its designee and to the Holder or its nominee with respect to a Certificated Security, by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a United States dollar account maintained by the Depositary or its nominee with respect to a Global Security and to the Holder or its designee with respect to a Certificated Security if the Holder has provided written wiring instructions to the Trustee (or, in the case of the Class E Certificates, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent) on or before the related Record Date or, (ii) if appropriate wiring instructions are not received by the related Record Date, by check drawn on a U.S. bank mailed to the address of the Holder in the Indenture Register (or, in the case of the Class E Certificates, the Class E Certificate register). Final payments on the Indenture Securities or Class E Certificates will be made against surrender of the related Indenture Securities or Class E Certificates at the office designated by the Trustee or the Class E Certificate Paying Agent. None of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agent, any paying agent, or any of their respective affiliates will have any responsibility or liability for any aspects of the records maintained by the Depositary or its nominee or any of its direct or indirect participants (including Euroclear or Clearstream or any of their respective direct or indirect participants) relating to payments made on account of beneficial interests in a Global Security.

The Co-Issuers expect that the Depositary or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment of principal or interest in respect of a Global Security held by the Depositary or its nominee, will credit participants' accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the Global Security as shown on the records of the Depositary or its nominee. The Co-Issuers also expect that payments by participants (i.e., direct participants) to owners of beneficial interests in a Global Security held through the participants (i.e., indirect participants) will be governed by standing instructions

and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers registered in the names of nominees for the customers. The payments will be the responsibility of the participants.

### **Class E Certificate Paying Agency Agreement**

Pursuant to the Class E Certificate Paying Agency Agreement, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent will perform various fiscal services with respect to the Class E Certificates on behalf of the Issuer, including the maintenance of the Class E Certificates Distribution Account and the making of distributions on the Class E Certificates. The Class E Certificate Paying Agent will act as transfer agent with respect to the Class E Certificates, deliver or request the Trustee to deliver all Monthly Reports and Valuation Reports prepared pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of the Class E Certificates, and deliver, or shall cause the Trustee to deliver, a copy of any other notice or information it receives from the Trustee under the Indenture to the Holders of the Class E Certificates, in each case by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to each Holder of a Class E Certificate at the address appearing in the Class E Certificate register. The payment of the fees and expenses of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent is solely the obligation of the Issuer. The Class E Certificate Paying Agency Agreement contains provisions for the indemnification of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent for any loss, liability or expense incurred without gross negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith on its part, arising out of or in connection with the performance of its function under the Class E Certificate Paying Agency Agreement.

On the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date, the Issuer is scheduled to redeem the Class E Certificates for a redemption price equal to all amounts distributable to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Class E Certificates as provided under “—Priority of Payments,” unless the Class E Certificates have been redeemed earlier through an optional redemption as described herein or otherwise.

The Class E Certificate Paying Agency Agreement will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York. The rights of the Holders of the Class E Certificates will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the Cayman Islands.

### **The Issuer Charter**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Issuer Charter relating to the Class E Certificates that are not referred to elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum. For purposes of Cayman Islands law, the Class E Certificates will be characterized as shares of the Issuer.

#### *Voting Rights*

Other than as provided below, only the holders of the Ordinary Shares shall have the right to receive notice of, attend at and vote as a shareholder of the Issuer at any general meeting of the Issuer. Every holder of an Ordinary Share present at any meeting shall, on a show of hands, be entitled to one vote and, on a poll, shall be entitled to one vote per Ordinary Share held by such holder.

The Holders of the Class E Certificates shall have the right to receive notice of, attend at and vote as a shareholder of the Issuer at any general meeting of the Issuer only in respect of a resolution which relates to any circumstance or matter which under the Indenture, the Class E Certificate Documents or the Management Agreement can take place or occur only at the direction of the Holders of the Class E Certificates (a “**Class E Certificate Vote**”). Every Holder of Class E Certificates present shall, on a show of hands, be entitled to one vote and, on a poll, shall be entitled to one vote per Class E Certificate held by such Holder except that, in relation to a Class E Certificate Vote relating to certain matters (as set out in the Indenture) Class E Certificates held by certain Holders (as set out in the Indenture), shall be ignored.

*Liquidation*

In the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Issuer:

(i) the Holders of the Ordinary Shares at the time outstanding will be entitled to receive out of the assets of the Issuer available for distribution to shareholders, before any distribution of assets is made to Holders of the Class E Certificates, an amount equal to U.S.\$2.00 in respect of each Ordinary Share held by each such holder; and

(ii) the Holders of the Class E Certificates at the time Outstanding will be entitled to the balance of the assets of the Issuer available for distribution to shareholders, after distribution of amounts due to holders of Ordinary Shares under the above subparagraph, *pro rata* according to the number of Class E Certificates held by each such holder.

If the assets available for distribution to holders of the Ordinary Shares are not sufficient to pay to such holders U.S.\$2.00 in respect of each Ordinary Share, the available assets shall be distributed to holders of the Ordinary Shares *pro rata* according to the number of Ordinary Shares held by each such holder.

*Transfer*

The rights of a Holder of a Class E Certificate to transfer such Class E Certificate are subject to restrictions set out in the Class E Certificate Documents and as described in “Transfer Restrictions.”

*Petitions for Bankruptcy*

The Issuer Charter provides that the Holders of Class E Certificates will not have the right to petition or to pass a resolution for the winding up of the Issuer.



### USE OF PROCEEDS

The Securities will be issued and sold for Cash on the Closing Date. The gross proceeds from the issuance of such Securities and the Ordinary Shares on the Closing Date are expected to equal approximately U.S.\$838 million and will be used by the Issuer to:

- purchase a portfolio of Collateral Obligations (including by entering into Synthetic Security Agreements (and correspondingly funding of the related accounts)), including terminate participations outstanding under the Warehouse Agreement;
- fund the Revolving Reserve Account to cover any future draws on Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans;
- enter into any Hedge Agreements, as applicable;
- enter into any Securities Lending Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the Securities Lending Account);
- fund the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account;
- purchase the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component for deposit in the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component Account;
- purchase the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component for deposit in the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component Account; and
- undertake certain permitted incidental activities.

### SECURITY FOR THE NOTES

The Notes and the Issuer's obligations under the Hedge Agreements and the Management Agreement will be secured by the following:

- (i) the Collateral Obligations and all Workout Assets;
- (ii) the Custodial Account, the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Securities Lending Account (such accounts, collectively, the "**Issuer Accounts**"), Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, and all income from the investment of funds in the Issuer Accounts;
- (iii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and assets included therein, subject to the terms of the related Synthetic Security (*provided, however*, that any such rights in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee (or securities intermediary) first to secure the Issuer's payment obligations to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty and second for the benefit of the Secured Parties);
- (iv) the Management Agreement, the Securities Lending Agreements, the Hedge Agreements as set forth in the Indenture and the Collateral Administration Agreement;
- (v) all Cash or money delivered to the Trustee (or its bailee); and
- (vi) all proceeds with respect to the foregoing (collectively, the "**Collateral**").

For the avoidance of any doubt, Collateral will exclude amounts released from the Trustee's lien in connection with certain Synthetic Securities, Hedge Agreements and Securities Lending Agreements in accordance with the Indenture.

In addition, the Indenture provides that the Issuer, to secure the Issuer's obligations under the Class P-1 Securities to pay in full the Class P-1 Nominal Principal Outstanding, will grant to the Trustee, solely for the benefit of the Holders of the Class P-1 Securities a perfected security interest in the Class P-1 Collateral that is of first priority. For the avoidance of doubt, the Class P-1 Collateral will not include the Collateral or the Class P-2 Collateral.

In addition, the Indenture provides that the Issuer, to secure the Issuer's obligations under the Class P-2 Securities to pay in full the Class P-2 Nominal Principal Outstanding, will grant to the Trustee, solely for the benefit of the Holders of the Class P-2 Securities a perfected security interest in the Class P-2 Collateral that is of first priority. For the avoidance of doubt, the Class P-2 Collateral will not include the Collateral or the Class P-1 Collateral.

### **Purchase of Collateral Obligations**

Collateral Obligations may be purchased if such purchases comply (and selections of Collateral Obligations for purchase will be made by the Portfolio Manager designed to comply) with the Eligibility Criteria and any applicable requirements described under “–Sale of Collateral Obligations; Reinvestment of Principal Proceeds.”

The Portfolio Manager expects that, on or prior to the Business Day prior to March 3, 2006, the Issuer will have purchased or committed to purchase Collateral Obligations such that (x) either (A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least \$900,000,000 or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be (*provided* that with respect to the Initial Collateral Obligations, the date of purchase shall be the Closing Date)) equals at least \$900,000,000 (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations after the Closing Date and on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date) and (y) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$900,000,000.

### **Eligibility Criteria**

On any date during the Reinvestment Period (and, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations, on any date after the Reinvestment Period), so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to invest or reinvest Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations) and the funds available from Drawdowns under the Class A-1B Notes and Borrowings under the Class A-1A Notes in additional Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral into the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) if the conditions specified in the Indenture are satisfied. No obligations may be purchased unless each of the conditions in the following clauses (1) through (12) (the “**Eligibility Criteria**”) is satisfied as evidenced by a certificate of the Portfolio Manager as of the date the Issuer commits to make the purchase, in each case after giving effect to the purchase and all other purchases and sales previously or simultaneously committed to:

- (1) the obligation is a Collateral Obligation;
- (2) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period:
  - (A) each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied and, if the commitment is made on or after the second Payment Date, each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied; or
  - (B) if any such Coverage Test is not satisfied, both:
    - (i) the extent of satisfaction of such Coverage Test is not reduced; and
    - (ii) the Collateral Obligation is being purchased with Principal Proceeds other than:
      - (x) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or
      - (y) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Workout Asset that has been received in exchange for a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
- (3) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Diversity Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (4) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (5) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, each of the limits in the definition of “Concentration Limitations” is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (6) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (7) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (8) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (9) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (10) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (11) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced; *provided, however*, that this Eligibility Criterion (11) shall not apply either to reinvestment of the proceeds from the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset or to the reinvestment of Principal Proceeds in respect of Defaulted Collateral Obligations; and

- (12) for any date occurring after the Reinvestment Period:
- (A) each Coverage Test is satisfied and the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
  - (B) each Collateral Quality Test is maintained or improved;
  - (C) each Concentration Limitation is maintained or improved;
  - (D) the maturity date of such Collateral Obligation will occur on or prior to the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied;
  - (E) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation is at least equal to the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments or of the Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable; and.
  - (F) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations to be purchased in connection with such sale or prepayment must be no less than the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations sold or prepaid.

The Issuer may, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager (and regardless of the foregoing restrictions), exchange a Collateral Obligation for another Collateral Obligation in an exchange of one security for another security of the same issuers that has substantially identical terms except transfer restrictions.

Cash on deposit in the Collection Account may be invested at any time in Eligible Investments in accordance with the Indenture pending investment in Collateral Obligations.

The Indenture provides that any sale or purchase by the Issuer of a Collateral Obligation shall be conducted on an arm's length basis and if effected with the Portfolio Manager or a person Affiliated with the Portfolio Manager or any fund or account for which the Portfolio Manager or an Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager acts as investment adviser, shall be effected in accordance with the requirements of the Management Agreement on terms no less favorable to the Issuer than would be the case if the person were not so Affiliated. Under the Management Agreement, the Portfolio Manager will be prohibited from directing the acquisition of Collateral Obligations from, or the disposition of Collateral Obligations to, its Affiliates or any other account managed by the Portfolio Manager except on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's-length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and if the Portfolio Manager has complied with the requirements of the Management Agreement and the acquisition or disposition otherwise complies with the requirements of the United States Investment Advisers Act of 1940.

### **The Collateral Quality Tests**

The Collateral Quality Tests will be used primarily as criteria for purchasing Collateral Obligations. See “—Eligibility Criteria” above and “—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Reinvestment of Principal Proceeds” below. The Collateral Quality Tests are described below.

Measurement of the degree of compliance with the Collateral Quality Tests will be required on each Measurement Date on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

*The Diversity Test*

The “**Diversity Test**” is a test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Diversity Score equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score.

*Weighted Average Life Test*

The “**Weighted Average Life Test**” is a test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and the Payment Date in May 2015 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date.

*Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test*

The “**Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test**” is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody's Weighted Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 44.75%.

“**Moody's Weighted Average Recovery Rate**” means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the number obtained by (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) by its respective Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate, (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) and (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

*Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test*

The “**Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test**” is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 51.5%.

“**S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate**” is a rate, as of any Measurement Date, equal to the number obtained by:

- (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate;
- (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations; and
- (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

*Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test*

The “**Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test**” is a test that is satisfied if, as of any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 7.5%.

*Weighted Average Spread Test*

The “**Weighted Average Spread Test**” is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if (i) the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread and (ii) the Weighted Average Commitment Fee as of such Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Commitment Fee.

*Weighted Average Rating Factor Test*

The “**Weighted Average Rating Factor Test**” is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of the Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor.

*S&P CDO Monitor Test*

The “**S&P CDO Monitor Test**” is a test that will be satisfied on any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive. The S&P CDO Monitor Test shall be considered to be improved if each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is at least equal to the corresponding Note Class Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio. The S&P CDO Monitor Test is not required to be satisfied or improved upon the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation and certain other obligations and the reinvestment of the related Sale Proceeds in additional Collateral Obligations. For purposes of the S&P CDO Monitor Test:

- (i) the S&P Rating of any S&P Unrated DIP Loan shall be “CCC-”; and
- (ii) the S&P Industry Classification for a Synthetic Security shall be that of the related Reference Obligation and not the Synthetic Security.

The “**Note Class Loss Differential**” with respect to any Measurement Date and any Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the rate calculated by subtracting the Class Scenario Loss Rate for such Class from the then-applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate corresponding to the S&P Monitor Test that is created with the Adjusted Weighted Average Spread of the Current Portfolio) for such Class of Notes.

The “**Note Break-Even Loss Rate**” with respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the maximum percentage of defaults that the Current Portfolio or Proposed Portfolio can sustain and nevertheless sufficient funds will remain for the payment of principal of such Class of Notes in full by its Stated Maturity and the timely payment of interest on the Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes, Class A-3 Notes and the Class A-4 Notes and the ultimate payment of interest on the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes using S&P’s assumptions on recoveries, defaults, and timing, and taking into account the Priority of Payments and the Adjusted Weighted Average Spread level specified in the applicable row of the table below. The “Adjusted Weighted Average Spread” as of any Measurement Date is the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date *minus* the amount of any Spread Excess added to the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon as of the Measurement Date.

<b>Row</b>	<b>Adjusted Weighted Average Spread</b>
1	Greater than or equal to 3.00%
2	Greater than or equal to 2.90% but less than 3.00%
3	Greater than or equal to 2.80% but less than 2.90%
4	Greater than or equal to 2.70% but less than 2.80%
5	Greater than or equal to 2.60% but less than 2.70%
6	Greater than or equal to 2.50% but less than 2.60%
7	Greater than or equal to 2.40% but less than 2.50%
8	Greater than or equal to 2.30% but less than 2.40%
9	Greater than or equal to 2.20% but less than 2.30%

## The Coverage Tests

### *General*

The Coverage Tests will be used to determine, among other things, whether Notes will be redeemed in certain circumstances as described under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments” and whether additional Collateral Obligations may be acquired as described under “—Eligibility Criteria.” There will not be any Coverage Test applicable to the Class E Certificates.

### *The Overcollateralization Tests*

The “**Overcollateralization Tests**” will consist of the Class A Overcollateralization Test, the Class B Overcollateralization Test and the Class C Overcollateralization Test.

Each Overcollateralization Test will be satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes (treating the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class A-4 Notes as one Class for this purpose) on any Measurement Date if, as of such Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the specified required level for the Class indicated in the table in “Summary of Terms—The Overcollateralization Tests.”

The Overcollateralization Ratio, with respect to any Class of Notes (treating the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class A-4 Notes as one Class for this purpose) on any Measurement Date, is referred to as an “**Overcollateralization Ratio**,” and is the ratio calculated by *dividing*:

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator; by
- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any Deferred Interest on the Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it).

The “**Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator**” is, on any date, the sum of:

- (1) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (other than any Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, any Deep Discount Obligations, and any Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an “event of default” (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing); *plus*
- (2) unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal (excluding any unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal in respect of Non-Performing Collateral Obligations); *plus*
- (3) the Aggregate Principal Balance of any Eligible Investments that were purchased with Principal Proceeds and, without duplication, the amount of Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
- (4) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Eligible Investments on deposit in a Securities Lending Account that relate to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an “event of default” (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing; *plus*

- (5) with respect to Collateral Obligation that are Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, Deep Discount Obligations or Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, the amount determined by using one of the following methods applicable to such type of Collateral Obligation; *provided* that if a Collateral Obligation falls within more than one of such types, the Issuer will be required to use the method that results in the smallest amount:
- (A) with respect to any Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, an amount equal to the product of (i) the lower of (1) 70% and (2) the weighted average Market Value of all Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances *multiplied* by (ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations;
  - (B) with respect to any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, the aggregate of the Applicable Collateral Obligation Amounts for all included Non-Performing Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations that have been held by the Issuer for more than three years, which shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this clause (B)); and
  - (C) with respect to any Deep Discount Obligations, the Aggregate Purchase Price Amount for all Deep Discount Obligations.

As used in this definition, “**Applicable Collateral Obligation Amount**” for any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation means:

- (1) the lesser of (x) the Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation and (y) the Applicable Percentage for the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation *multiplied* by:
- (2) if the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation is:
  - (A) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (B) through (D) below, its outstanding principal amount as of the relevant Measurement Date;
  - (B) any Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in such Synthetic Security;
  - (C) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its funded principal amount outstanding plus any Unfunded Amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer’s obligation to fund the Unfunded Amount); and
  - (D) any PIK Security, its outstanding principal amount but excluding any principal amount representing previously deferred or capitalized interest;

*provided* however, that, for the avoidance of doubt, the Applicable Collateral Obligation Amount with respect to any Collateral Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest will be zero.

As used in the calculation of Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation, the Principal Balance of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall be, if the Defaulted Collateral Obligation is:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (ii) through (iv) below, its outstanding principal amount as of the relevant Measurement Date;



- (ii) any Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in such Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its funded principal amount outstanding plus any Unfunded Amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the Unfunded Amount); and
- (iv) any PIK Security, its outstanding principal amount but excluding any principal amount representing previously deferred or capitalized interest.

#### *The Interest Coverage Tests*

The Interest Coverage Test in respect of each Class of Notes (each an “**Interest Coverage Test**”) is a test the first Measurement Date for which will be on the Determination Date immediately preceding the second Payment Date and that is satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes (treating the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class A-4 Notes as one Class for this purpose) if, as of the Determination Date immediately preceding the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level specified in the table in “Summary of Terms— The Interest Coverage Tests.”

The “**Interest Coverage Ratio**” with respect to any specified Class of Notes (treating the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class A-4 Notes as one Class for this purpose) on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by dividing:

- (i) the sum of:
  - (A) the Interest Proceeds received or scheduled to be received with respect to the Due Period in which the Measurement Date occurs; *minus*
  - (B) amounts payable under clauses (1), (2), (3) and (4) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” on the related Payment Date; by
- (ii) all accrued and unpaid interest on the specified Class of Notes (and the Commitment Fee Amount with respect to the Class A-1A Notes and the Delayed Drawdown Fee with respect to the Class A-1B Notes), and all Notes ranking senior to the Class on the related Payment Date, but excluding any Deferred Interest as of the related Payment Date.

For purposes of the Interest Coverage Ratio, only the amount of any interest payment (including any “gross up” payment) on any Collateral Obligation in excess of any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction on any date of determination shall be included in Interest Proceeds.

#### *Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test*

The “**Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test**” is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 104.8%.

#### **Ramp-Up**

The Issuer expects that, as of the Closing Date, it will have purchased (or entered into commitments to purchase) Collateral Obligations such that the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator will be at least \$815,000,000.

The Indenture will provide that the Issuer will use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase (or enter into commitments to purchase (with settlement as soon as practicable after such commitment, but in any event no later than 60 days thereafter)) Collateral Obligations for inclusion in the Collateral on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period such that together with the Collateral Obligations purchased on or before the Closing Date (the “**Initial Collateral Obligations**”) as of the Business Day prior to March 3, 2006, (i) either (A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least \$900,000,000 or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be (*provided* that with respect to the Initial Collateral Obligations, the date of purchase shall be the Closing Date)) equals at least \$900,000,000 (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations after the Closing Date and on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date).

If the Issuer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase a Collateral Obligation to be included in the Collateral, such commitment not to exceed 60 days, and at the time of the commitment the Collateral Obligation complied with the definition of “Collateral Obligation”, the Issuer may consummate the purchase of the Collateral Obligation notwithstanding that the Collateral Obligation fails to comply with the definition of “Collateral Obligation” on the date of settlement.

Within 5 Business Days after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Issuer) will request a Rating Confirmation and will provide a report to the Rating Agencies substantially in the form of a Monthly Report as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date identifying the Collateral Obligations then included in the Collateral and the Issuer will obtain and deliver to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies (together with the delivery of such report), an accountants’ certificate:

(i) confirming the maturity date, rating, spread and recovery rate for each Collateral Obligation owned by the Issuer as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date and the information provided by the Issuer with respect to every other asset included in the Collateral, by reference to such sources as shall be specified therein;

(ii) confirming that as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date:

(1) each of the Coverage Tests is satisfied;

(2) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owned or committed to purchase as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date is at least equal to the Maximum Investment Amount; and

(3) the Collateral Obligations comply with all of the requirements of the Collateral Quality Tests and the Concentration Limitations and the criteria set forth in “—Eligibility Criteria”; and

(iii) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing statements.

If a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, the Notes will be redeemed pursuant to the Indenture and as described in “Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure.”

### **Sale of Collateral Obligations; Reinvestment of Principal Proceeds**

Pursuant to the Indenture and so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, direct the Trustee to sell (and the Trustee will sell)

any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset if the sale meets the requirements in paragraphs (i) through (ix) below and the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell assets as set forth in paragraph (x) below. In addition, the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf) shall within 5 Business Days of its receipt (or within 5 Business Days after such later date as such asset may first be sold in accordance with its terms and applicable law), sell any Tax Affected Security or transfer such Tax Affected Security to a subsidiary the sole assets of which consist of, and the sole activity of which is the acquisition and ownership of Tax Affected Securities.

- (i) *Credit Risk Obligations.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Risk Obligation at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Risk Obligation in accordance with such direction. Following any sale of a Credit Risk Obligation pursuant to the Indenture during the Reinvestment Period, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase in compliance with the Indenture additional Collateral Obligations (to the extent the purchase is in the best interest of the Issuer) with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Sale Proceeds received by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral Obligation sold. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount.
- (ii) *Credit Improved Obligations.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Improved Obligation if either:
  - (1) during the Reinvestment Period, (a) the Portfolio Manager believes before the sale that it will be able to cause the Issuer to reinvest its Sale Proceeds, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria, in one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Credit Improved Obligation by the end of the immediately succeeding Due Period (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded principal amount outstanding and the Principal Balance of any Collateral Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest shall be its outstanding principal amount) or (b) the Portfolio Manager intends to use the Sale Proceeds to make Prepayments on the Class A-1A Notes; or
  - (2) after the Reinvestment Period, the Sale Proceeds received in respect of the Credit Improved Obligation are at least equal to its Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded principal amount outstanding and the Principal Balance of any Collateral Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest shall be its outstanding principal amount);

and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Improved Obligation in accordance with such direction.

- (iii) *Non-Performing Collateral Obligations and Current-Pay Obligations.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Current-Pay Obligation at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Current-Pay Obligation in accordance with such direction. Non-Performing Collateral Obligations may be sold regardless of price; *provided* that the

Principal Balance of any Collateral Obligation purchased with proceeds of any Current-Pay Obligation shall equal or exceed the Principal Balance of such Current-Pay Obligation that was sold.

- (iv) *Non-qualifying Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell that obligation in accordance with such direction.
- (v) *Withholding Tax Sales.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation subject to withholding tax at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction.
- (vi) *Optional Redemption.* After the Issuer has notified the Trustee of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all or a portion of the Collateral Obligations as contemplated therein if (A) the requirements in respect of an Optional Redemption under the Indenture have been satisfied and (B) the independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to the Indenture have confirmed the calculations contained in any required certificate furnished by the Portfolio Manager pursuant to the Indenture's Note redemption procedure provisions. After a Majority of the Class E Certificates have directed an Optional Redemption of the Class E Certificates in accordance with the Indenture, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all of the remaining Collateral Obligations (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to clause (i) under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Class E Certificates") or all or a portion of the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous directions of Holders of the Class E Certificates (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to clause (ii) under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Class E Certificates") and the Trustee shall sell the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.
- (vii) *Rating Confirmation Failure.* After the Portfolio Manager has received notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm the Initial Ratings of the Notes, the Issuer may, if so directed by the Portfolio Manager in the Portfolio Manager's sole discretion, direct the Trustee to sell Collateral Obligations as contemplated in the Indenture and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.
- (viii) *Discretionary Sales.* In addition to sales permitted under the foregoing clauses, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation, at any time during the Reinvestment Period:
  - (1) at any time on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without regard to any restriction specified in clause (2) below); and
  - (2) at any time after the Ramp-Up Completion Date if:

- (A) after giving effect to the sale and the sale of any other Collateral Obligations whose sale is pending, the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations sold under “—Discretionary Sales” during any calendar year (in each case determined as of the date the direction to sell is given) is not greater than 20% of the Maximum Investment Amount as of January 1 of such calendar year (or, for the first calendar year, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date); and
- (B) (a) the Portfolio Manager believes before the sale that it will be able to cause the Issuer within 30 days thereafter to reinvest or commit to reinvest its Sale Proceeds, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria, in one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to (i) as long as the Class C Overcollateralization Test is satisfied, the Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance of the sold Collateral Obligation and (ii) if the Class C Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, the Aggregate Principal Balance of the sold Collateral Obligation (for the purpose of both clause (i) and (ii), the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded principal amount outstanding and the Principal Balance of any Collateral Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest shall be its outstanding principal amount) or (b) the Portfolio Manager intends to use the Sale Proceeds to make Prepayments on the Class A-1A Notes;

and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction. However, if the rating by Moody’s of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes, the Class A-1C Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes or the Class A-4 Notes is one or more rating sub-categories below the Initial Rating of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes, the Class A-1C Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes or the Class A-4 Notes or has been withdrawn or the rating by Moody’s of the Class B Notes or the Class C Notes is two or more rating sub-categories below the Initial Rating of the Class B Notes or the Class C Notes or has been withdrawn, the Issuer shall not instruct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligations pursuant to “—Discretionary Sales.” This restriction may be waived by written consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class. For the purposes of this clause (viii), any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not restrict the sale of any Collateral Obligations pursuant to this clause (viii) if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody’s has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes, the Class A-1C Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class A-4 Notes, or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes.

For the purpose of determining the percentage of Collateral Obligations sold during any period described in clause (2)(B) above:

- (i) the amount of any Collateral Obligation sold will be reduced (a) to the extent of any purchases of Collateral Obligations of the same obligor (which are *pari passu* with such sold Collateral Obligation) occurring within 30 Business Days of the sale (determined based on the date of any relevant trade confirmation or commitment letter) (but only for so long as (x) the Collateral Obligations purchased have not been downgraded by any of the Rating Agencies during the 30 Business Day period, (y) the Collateral Obligations have not been purchased

from the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates acting, in each case, as principal or from any funds or accounts advised or managed by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates, and (z) the purchase price of each purchased Collateral Obligation must not exceed the sale price of the sold Collateral Obligation) and (b) to the extent of any purchases of Collateral Obligations permitted pursuant to the second paragraph set forth under “—Eligibility Criteria”; and

(ii) any Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time that is invested into a substantially similar Synthetic Security but with a later maturity will be treated as having been sold.

- (ix) *Workout Assets.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Workout Asset at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and regardless of price and the Trustee shall sell the Workout Assets in accordance with such direction.
- (x) *Margin Stock.* Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell any asset that is Margin Stock within 45 days of the later of (i) the acquisition of such asset by the Issuer or (ii) such asset’s becoming Margin Stock, and the Trustee shall sell such asset in accordance with such direction.

#### **Certain Determinations Relating to Collateral Obligations**

The Indenture provides that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained therein, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer will be deemed to have purchased any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer delivers to the Trustee a contract to purchase, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to receive such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have acquired, granted or delivered, as the case may be, such Collateral Obligations on such date.

The Indenture provides that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained therein, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer delivers to the Trustee a contract to sell, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to sell, and requiring the purchaser to purchase, such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold such Collateral Obligations on such date.

Under the circumstances described in the two preceding paragraphs, if the transaction contemplated by the contract, commitment letter, confirmation or due bill referred to therein does not settle on or before the 60<sup>th</sup> day following the scheduled settlement date (the “**Deadline**”), the deemed purchase or sale shall be deemed not to have occurred; *provided, however*, that the Portfolio Manager shall have the right to extend the Deadline for an additional period (not to exceed an additional 60 days) by notice to the Trustee, which notice shall include the Portfolio Manager’s certification to the effect that the Portfolio Manager believes that the settlement shall occur on or before the extended Deadline.

Scheduled distributions with respect to any Pledged Collateral Obligation shall be determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Indenture.

### **The Accounts**

The Indenture provides that the Trustee will establish separate segregated non-interest bearing trust accounts, which will be designated as the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Custodial Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Interest Reserve Account and the Securities Lending Account. In addition, Synthetic Security Counterparty Accounts may also be established. Any account may contain any number of subaccounts.

*Collection Account.* The Trustee shall deposit into the “**Collection Account**”:

- (i) any funds transferred from (1) the Closing Date Expense Account pursuant to the Indenture or (2) the Interest Reserve Account pursuant to the Indenture;
- (ii) all Principal Proceeds (unless (1) simultaneously reinvested in Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture, (2) deposited into the Revolving Reserve Account, (3) posted by the Issuer as cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer’s purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security or in Eligible Investments) or (4) used to make Prepayments with respect to the Class A-1A Notes), received by the Trustee;
- (iii) all Interest Proceeds received by the Trustee (unless simultaneously reinvested in accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture or in Eligible Investments); and
- (iv) all other funds received by the Trustee and not excluded above.

The Issuer may, but under no circumstances will be required to, deposit from time to time any monies in the Collection Account it deems, in its sole discretion, to be advisable (and may designate any amounts so deposited as Principal Proceeds or Interest Proceeds in its discretion).

Any Principal Proceeds received during the Reinvestment Period, and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments received after the Reinvestment Period, which have not been reinvested in additional Collateral Obligations on the Business Day of receipt shall be deposited in the Collection Account and shall at the direction of the Portfolio Manager be applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the other requirements set forth in the Indenture or the purchase of Eligible Investments pending such investment or used to enter into additional Hedge Agreements or used in connection with a Special Redemption. Principal Proceeds (other than Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments) received after the Reinvestment Period shall be deposited into the Collection Account and applied to the purchase of Eligible Investments.

The Collection Account shall be maintained for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager and each Hedge Counterparty and amounts on deposit in the Collection Account will be available for application in the order of priority under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments” and for the acquisition of Collateral Obligations under the circumstances and pursuant to the requirements in the Indenture. Amounts received in the Collection Account during a Due Period and amounts received in prior Due Periods and retained in the Collection Account under the circumstances stated above in “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments” will be invested in Eligible

Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions). All proceeds deposited in the Collection Account will be retained therein unless used to purchase Collateral Obligations during the Reinvestment Period (or, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations, after the Reinvestment Period) in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria, to honor commitments with respect thereto entered into during or after the Reinvestment Period, to make Prepayments on the Class A-1A Notes or used as otherwise permitted under the Indenture. See “—Eligibility Criteria.”

The Trustee shall transfer to the Payment Account from the Collection Account for application pursuant to the Priority of Payments, on or no later than the Business Day preceding each Payment Date, the amount set forth to be so transferred in the Valuation Report for the Payment Date.

At any time during or after the Reinvestment Period, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to pay from amounts on deposit in the Collection Account on any Business Day during any Interest Period from Interest Proceeds only, any Administrative Expenses that require payment before the next Payment Date to the extent that the amount of the payments does not exceed the aggregate amount that may be paid on the next payment Date under, and at the level of priority specified by, “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

*Custodial Account.* The Trustee will from time to time deposit the Collateral Obligations and other Collateral not deposited elsewhere in accordance with the Indenture into the “**Custodial Account**”, over which the Trustee will have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. All assets or securities at any time on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Custodial Account will be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager and each Hedge Counterparty. If invested, any amounts on deposit in the Custodial Account will be invested in Eligible Investments.

*Revolving Reserve Account.* Upon the purchase of any Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee will deposit into and maintain at all times in the Revolving Reserve Account amounts drawn under the Class A-1A Notes and Principal Proceeds in an amount at least equal to the Revolver Funding Reserve Amount. The “**Revolver Funding Reserve Amount**” means an amount, which cannot be negative, equal to (a) the Aggregate Unfunded Amount of all Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans *minus* (b) the Aggregate Undrawn Amount of the Class A-1A Notes; *provided, however*, for purposes of this definition, the Aggregate Undrawn Amount of the Class A-1A Notes used in such calculation shall not include the portion of the Aggregate Undrawn Amount of Class A-1A Notes attributable to each Holder of Class A-1A Notes at any time and for so long as and to the extent (x) such Holder does not meet the Rating Criteria and (y) has failed to fund the Undrawn Amount of its Class A-1A Notes into a reserve account fund when required to do so under the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement. The Principal Proceeds so deposited will be considered part of the Purchase Price of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan for purposes of the Indenture. In addition, principal payments received by the Issuer in respect of a Revolving Loan (except to the extent of any concurrent commitment reduction), will be deposited within two Business Days directly into the Revolving Reserve Account (and will not be available for distribution as Principal Proceeds) to the extent required to maintain the Revolver Funding Reserve Amount (including with respect to the amount of such principal payments that may be reborrowed under such Revolving Loan).

Amounts on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account will be invested in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions) not later than the Business Day after the date of their purchase. All interest and other income from amounts in the Revolving Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account under the Indenture will be considered Interest Proceeds in the Due Period in which they are so deposited.



At the direction of the Portfolio Manager at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period, the Trustee will withdraw funds from the Revolving Reserve Account to fund extensions of credit pursuant to Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans. Upon the sale, maturity or termination of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan in whole or in part or the reduction in part or termination of the Issuer's commitment thereunder, any funds in the Revolving Reserve Account in excess of the Revolver Funding Reserve Amount will be transferred from time to time by the Trustee (upon the direction of the Portfolio Manager) to the Collection Account and treated as Principal Proceeds.

*Synthetic Security Collateral Account.* On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Synthetic Security, the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the non-interest bearing trust account established for Synthetic Security Collateral (the "**Synthetic Security Collateral Account**") with respect to the Synthetic Security. All Synthetic Security Collateral posted by any Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Synthetic Security shall be immediately deposited into the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Synthetic Security. On each day on which amounts are payable to the Issuer out of Synthetic Security Collateral, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to withdraw amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in an amount sufficient to make the payment (including any total or partial release of Synthetic Security Collateral). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty under a Synthetic Security; or (ii) to return Synthetic Security Collateral to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty at the termination of the relevant Synthetic Security Agreement or as otherwise required by the Synthetic Security Agreement, in each case as directed by the Portfolio Manager.

Amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account will be invested in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities not later than one Business Day after their purchase, as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions), and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.* The Trustee will deposit all collateral received from a Hedge Counterparty under any Hedge Agreement into the "**Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account**." The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account will be (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer under a Hedge Agreement if the Hedge Agreement becomes subject to early termination or (ii) to return collateral to the relevant Hedge Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Hedge Agreement, in each case as directed by the Portfolio Manager. Amounts on deposit in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account will be invested in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Closing Date Expense Account.* Amounts deposited in the "**Closing Date Expense Account**" on the Closing Date will be withdrawn to pay certain administrative expenses of the Co-Issuers. On the Payment Date in March 2006, the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds and close the Closing Date Expense Account. Amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account shall be invested in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the Payment Date in March 2006 as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Expense Reimbursement Account.* On any Payment Date and on any date between Payment Dates, the Trustee will apply amounts, if any, in the "**Expense Reimbursement Account**" to the payment of expenses and fees that must be paid between Payment Dates or that are due on that Payment Date

under clause (1) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” and the Trustee shall on any Payment Date (other than on the final redemption date of the Class E Certificates) transfer to the Expense Reimbursement Account an amount equal to the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts due under clause (1) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” to the Expense Reimbursement Account in accordance with clause (2) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.” Amounts on deposit in the Expense Reimbursement Account shall be invested in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions), no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. Any funds remaining in the Expense Reimbursement Account as of the Determination Date relating to the final redemption date of the Class E Certificates will be deposited in the Collection Account as Interest Proceeds for distribution on the Scheduled Class E Certificate Redemption Date as described under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

*Securities Lending Account.* The Trustee will deposit all Securities Lending Collateral posted by any Securities Lending Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Securities Lending Agreement in a non-interest bearing trust account (the “**Securities Lending Account**”). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Securities Lending Account will be (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty to the Issuer under a Securities Lending Agreement if the Securities Lending Agreement becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the Securities Lending Agreement upon any “event of default” under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement, including liquidating the related Securities Lending Collateral or (ii) to return collateral to the Securities Lending Counterparty when and as required by a Securities Lending Agreement, in each case as directed by the Portfolio Manager. Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be invested in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions) no later than the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. To the extent provided in a Securities Lending Agreement, earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account will be payable by the Issuer to the related Securities Lending Counterparty. Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account will not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the loaned security or asset that relates to the Securities Lending Account will be so considered an asset of the Issuer.

*Payment Account.* The Trustee will in accordance with the Indenture deposit funds from the Collection Account into the “**Payment Account**”, over which the Trustee will have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. All assets or securities at any time on deposit in or otherwise to the credit of the Payment Account will be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Payment Account will be to pay amounts due and payable on the Notes in accordance with their terms and the provisions of the Indenture and to pay Administrative Expenses and other amounts specified in the Indenture, each in accordance with the Priority of Payments. If invested, any amounts on deposit in the Payment Account will be invested in Eligible Investments.

*Interest Reserve Account.* Amounts deposited in the “**Interest Reserve Account**”, on the Closing Date will be withdrawn on the first Payment Date to pay the amount necessary such that the amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (17) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” will be paid in full on the first Payment Date. In addition, the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion may direct that all or any portion of the funds remaining on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account after application pursuant to the preceding sentence be deposited into the Collection Account as Interest Proceeds and/or as Principal Proceeds (allocated in such proportion as the Portfolio Manager directs in its sole discretion) for distribution on the first Payment Date. Any funds remaining on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account after the first Payment Date will be withdrawn on the second Payment Date to pay the amount necessary such that the amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (17) of “Description

of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” will be paid in full on the second Payment Date. The Trustee will transfer any remaining funds on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account on the second Payment Date to the Collection Account, as directed by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion as Interest Proceeds and/or as Principal Proceeds (allocated in such proportion as the Portfolio Manager directs in its sole discretion) and close the Interest Reserve Account. Amounts on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account shall be invested in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions), no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date.

*Synthetic Security Counterparty Account.* To the extent that any Synthetic Security requires the Issuer to secure its obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee and the Trustee shall establish a segregated non-interest bearing trust account (the “**Synthetic Security Counterparty Account**”) for the Synthetic Security which shall be held in trust for the benefit of the related Synthetic Security Counterparty and over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and the Indenture. In the alternative, a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account may be established with a trustee designated by the Synthetic Security Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that custodian would qualify to be a successor trustee under the Indenture and the account satisfies the other requirements of a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account under the Indenture.

As directed in writing by the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee shall deposit (or deliver for deposit) into each Synthetic Security Counterparty Account all amounts or securities that are required to secure the obligations of the Issuer in accordance with the related Synthetic Security, including the entire notional amount of any Synthetic Security in the form of a credit default swap or other similar transaction. The Portfolio Manager shall direct any such deposit only during the Reinvestment Period and only to the extent that monies are available for the purchase of Collateral Obligations pursuant to the Indenture. Any income received on amounts in the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall, after application in accordance with the relevant Synthetic Security, be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Interest Proceeds.

As directed by the Portfolio Manager in writing and in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and the Indenture, amounts on deposit in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be invested in Synthetic Security Collateral.

In connection with the occurrence of a credit event or an event of default or a termination event (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security) under the related Synthetic Security, amounts in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be withdrawn by the Trustee (or the Trustee shall request their withdrawal) and applied toward the payment of any amounts payable by the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the Synthetic Security, as directed by the Portfolio Manager in writing. Any excess amounts held in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, or held directly by a Synthetic Security Counterparty, after payment of all amounts owing from the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the related Synthetic Security shall be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Principal Proceeds.

Amounts on deposit in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the Synthetic Security that relates to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer (with the notional amount as the Principal Balance unless a default exists under the applicable Synthetic Security).

## Hedge Agreements

At any time and from time to time after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, may enter into the Hedge Agreements and will assign its rights (but none of its obligations) under the Hedge Agreements to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture and the collateral assignment of Hedge Agreements. The Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, will obtain the approval of each new Hedge Agreement from each Hedge Counterparty to a then-existing Hedge Agreement. The Trustee will, on behalf of the Issuer and in accordance with the Valuation Report, pay amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements on any Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Each Hedge Counterparty will be required to have (i) a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "Aa3" (which rating of "Aa3" is not on credit watch for a possible downgrade) or higher if the Hedge Counterparty has only a long-term rating; or a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "A1" (which rating of "A1" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) or higher and a debt rating by Moody's for short-term debt of "P-1" (which rating of "P-1" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) if the Hedge Counterparty has both long-term and short-term ratings and (ii) a short-term debt rating by S&P of not less than "A-1" or a long-term debt rating of not less than "A+" (the "**Required Rating**").

If at any time a Hedge Counterparty has:

- (A) no short-term Moody's rating and a long-term Moody's rating and that rating is below "Aa3" or is "Aa3" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's; or
- (B) both a short-term and long-term Moody's rating; and either:
  - (i) the long-term Moody's rating is below "A1" or that rating is "A1" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's; or
  - (ii) the short-term Moody's rating is below "P-1" or that rating is "P-1" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's;

then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within 30 days, either:

- (i) post collateral with the Trustee to secure the Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement, in an amount and of the type sufficient to cause the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's to be satisfied; or
- (ii) obtain a guarantor whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the above criteria; or
- (iii) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the above criteria; or
- (iv) take other actions to satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's.

If at any time the Hedge Counterparty has:

- (A) no short-term Moody's rating and a long-term Moody's rating that is "A2" or below or has been suspended or withdrawn;
- (B) both a short-term and long-term Moody's rating; and either:
  - (i) the long-term Moody's rating is "A3" or below or is suspended or withdrawn; or
  - (ii) the short-term Moody's rating is "P-2" or below; or
- (C) a short-term debt rating by S&P below "A-1" or, if the Hedge Counterparty has no short-term rating by S&P, a long-term rating by S&P below "A+" or that has been suspended or withdrawn;

then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within 30 days, either:

- (i) post collateral as required by the Hedge Agreement to secure the Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement in an amount and of the type sufficient to cause the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's and S&P to be satisfied; or
- (ii) (x) obtain a guarantor that has a Required Rating and that will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P with respect to its appointment; (y) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has a Required Rating and the appointment of which will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P; or (z) take such other actions to satisfy the Ratings Condition;

*provided* that, if at any time the Hedge Counterparty has a short-term debt rating by S&P below "A-3" or, if the Hedge Counterparty has no short-term rating by S&P, a long-term rating by S&P below "BBB-" or such Hedge Counterparty's rating has been suspended or withdrawn, then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to within 7 days replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has a Required Rating and the appointment of which will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P.

Any payments required to be made under the Hedge Agreements shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments shall be subordinate to interest and principal payments on the Notes and any other payments required to be made by the Issuer under the Hedge Agreements, but senior to distributions to Holders of the Class E Certificates pursuant to the Indenture.

Unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is otherwise satisfied, following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) the Issuer, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, shall promptly (but no later than 60 days after the early termination), at the expense of the Issuer and to the extent possible through Hedge Termination Receipts, enter into a replacement hedge, unless, in the exercise of the Portfolio Manager's commercially reasonable judgment, to do so would not be in the best interest of the Issuer and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to not entering into a replacement hedge. In addition, a replacement hedge may not be entered into unless the Issuer provides the Rating Agencies with at least seven Business Days' prior written notice of its intention to enter into a replacement hedge, together with its form and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the

replacement hedge. The Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than a termination resulting from the bankruptcy, insolvency, or similar event with respect to the Hedge Counterparty) to become effective simultaneously with its entering into a replacement hedge. To the extent that (i) the Portfolio Manager determines not to replace the Hedge Agreement and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the determination; or (ii) termination is occurring on a Redemption Date, the Hedge Termination Receipts shall become part of Principal Proceeds and be distributed in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the next following Payment Date (or on the Redemption Date, if the Notes are redeemed on the Redemption Date).

The notional amounts of the Hedge Agreements outstanding at any time may be reduced or increased from time to time, by the Issuer, and the Hedge Agreements may be amended, modified, or terminated in accordance with the Hedge Agreements if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the reduction, increase, amendment, modification, or termination, as the case may be.

Each Hedge Agreement may be terminated pursuant to its terms upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes or an acceleration of maturity of the Notes after an Event of Default. The Hedge Agreement will not be permitted to be terminated as the result of a Default or Event of Default unless any acceleration of maturity of the Notes resulting from the Event of Default is no longer permitted to be rescinded and liquidation of the Collateral has begun pursuant to the Indenture.

The Issuer shall not enter into any hedge agreement unless (i) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied and (ii) the entry into, performance and termination of such hedge agreement will not subject the Issuer to net income tax in any jurisdiction outside its jurisdiction of incorporation.

### **Synthetic Securities**

The Issuer will not enter into a Synthetic Security Agreement with a Synthetic Security Counterparty unless the terms of such Synthetic Security Agreement provide that, if at any time the Synthetic Security Counterparty does not meet the Synthetic Security Counterparty Ratings Requirement, such Synthetic Security Counterparty shall (at the sole cost of the Synthetic Security Counterparty) take one of the following actions within 30 days following the date on which the Synthetic Security Counterparty fails to meet such Synthetic Security Counterparty Ratings Requirement:

- (i) post collateral with the Trustee to secure the Synthetic Security Counterparty's obligations under the Synthetic Security Agreement, in an amount and of the type sufficient to cause the Rating Condition with respect to S&P to be satisfied; provided that, if the Synthetic Security Counterparty's senior unsecured credit rating by S&P for long-term debt of such Synthetic Security Counterparty are rated below "BBB+" and the senior unsecured, credit rating by S&P for short-term senior debt of such Synthetic Security Counterparty are rated below "A 2" (if such Synthetic Counterparty has a short term rating from Standard & Poor's), the Synthetic Security Counterparty shall obtain or provide a legal opinion addressed to the Issuer and the Trustee acceptable to S&P to the effect that the collateral will be available to the Trustee and the Noteholders in the event of the insolvency of such Synthetic Security Counterparty;
- (ii) obtain a guarantor whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the Synthetic Security Counterparty Ratings Requirement;
- (iii) cause an entity who satisfies the Security Counterparty Ratings Requirement to issue in favor of the Issuer a credit support of such Synthetic Security Counterparty's obligations under the related Synthetic Security acceptable in form and substance to the Issuer and that satisfies the Rating Condition;

(iv) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Synthetic Security Agreement with a substitute Synthetic Security Counterparty whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the Synthetic Security Counterparty Ratings Requirement; provided that, upon successful consummation of any such substitution and assignment, the related Synthetic Security Counterparty's obligations to post collateral contemplated by clause (i) above shall terminate and Issuer shall release its security interest in, and return to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty, any then posted collateral; or

(v) take other actions to satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P.

If the Synthetic Security Counterparty has maintained its Synthetic Security Counterparty Rating Requirements pursuant to clause (ii) above, the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf) shall, in the event that the Synthetic Security Counterparty fails to meet its payment obligations under the Synthetic Agreement, demand payment from the guarantor on the day such payment from the Synthetic Security Counterparty is due for the purpose of requiring such guarantor to make payment on such same day.

### **Securities Lending**

The Indenture permits the Issuer to engage in a limited number of securities lending transactions as described below and subject to certain limitations.

The Portfolio Manager may instruct the Trustee to cause Collateral Obligations that are not Defaulted Collateral Obligations to be lent for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) having long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or guarantors with ratings of at least "A1" (and not "A1" but on credit watch with negative implications) and "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A+" from S&P (each, a "**Securities Lending Counterparty**") pursuant to one or more agreements (each, a "**Securities Lending Agreement**"); *provided that* Collateral Obligations the Market Value of which cannot be determined under clause (i), (ii) or (iii) of that definition may not be lent pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement. Upon receipt of an Issuer Order, the Trustee shall release any lent Collateral Obligations to a Securities Lending Counterparty as directed by the Portfolio Manager. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Placement Agent or Affiliates of the Portfolio Manager. The duration of any Securities Lending Agreement shall not exceed the Stated Maturity of the Notes. Collateral Obligations representing no more than 15% (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of the Maximum Investment Amount may be loaned pursuant to Securities Lending Agreements at any time.

Each Securities Lending Agreement shall be on market terms as determined by the Portfolio Manager (except to the extent specified in the Indenture) and shall:

- (i) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty return to the Issuer debt obligations that are identical (in terms of issue and class) to the lent Collateral Obligations;
- (ii) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty pay to the Issuer amounts equivalent to all interest and other payments that the owner of the lent Collateral Obligation is entitled to for the period during which the Collateral Obligation is lent and require that any such payments not be subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the Securities Lending Counterparty is required under the Securities Lending Agreement to make "gross-up" payments to the Issuer that cover the full amount of the withholding tax on an after-tax basis;
- (iii) require that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency shall be satisfied with respect to the execution of the Securities Lending Agreement;

- (iv) satisfy any other requirements of Section 1058 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated under it;
- (v) be governed by the laws of New York;
- (vi) permit the Issuer to assign its rights under the Securities Lending Agreement to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture;
- (vii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Collateral Obligation becomes a Credit Risk Obligation or is subject to redemption in accordance with its terms;
- (viii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty upon any redemption of the Notes in whole;
- (ix) require the Securities Lending Counterparty to post with the Trustee collateral consisting of Cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the Securities Lending Agreement to secure its obligation to return the Collateral Obligations or in the alternative post that collateral with a custodian for the benefit of the Issuer designated by the Securities Lending Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that custodian would qualify to be a successor trustee under the Indenture;
- (x) provide that the Securities Lending Collateral shall be maintained at all times in an amount equal to at least 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value (determined daily and monitored by the Portfolio Manager) of the lent Collateral Obligations and if securities are delivered to the Trustee as security for the obligations of the Securities Lending Counterparty under the related Securities Lending Agreement, the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer will negotiate with the Securities Lending Counterparty a rate for the loan fee to be paid to the Issuer for lending the lent Collateral Obligations;
- (xi) the lent Collateral Obligations shall be marked-to-market on a daily basis by the Portfolio Manager on the basis of their Market Value;
- (xii) the Collateral will include the Issuer's rights under the related Securities Lending Agreement rather than the loaned Collateral Obligation;
- (xiii) provide for early termination within 10 days at the option of the Issuer and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Securities Lending Counterparty is no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty and the noncompliance is not cured as provided in the Indenture; and
- (xiv) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Securities Lending Counterparty) equivalent (mutatis mutandis) to those in the Indenture.

If either Moody's or S&P downgrades a Securities Lending Counterparty such that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party are no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty, then the Issuer, within 10 days of the downgrade, shall (i) terminate its Securities Lending Agreements with the Securities Lending Counterparty unless a guarantor for the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements has been obtained; or (ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate



Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations lent to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty so that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party, together with all other Securities Lending Agreements, are in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of Securities Lending Counterparties; or (iii) take any other steps Moody's or S&P may require to cause the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party to be treated by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, as if the obligations were owed by a counterparty having a rating at least equivalent to the rating that was assigned by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty before its being downgraded.

The Portfolio Manager shall instruct the Trustee in writing with respect to the administration of any Securities Lending Agreement (including with respect to any default and the exercise of rights under it). The Trustee shall not have any responsibility for evaluating the sufficiency, validity, or acceptability of any Securities Lending Agreement or for the qualifications or eligibility of any Securities Lending Counterparty. Nothing in the Indenture shall be construed to cause the Trustee to have any fiduciary duties to any Securities Lending Counterparty.

So long as any Collateral Obligation is on loan pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement, (a) the Trustee shall have no liability for any failure or inability on its part to receive any information or take any action with respect to the Collateral Obligation because of its being on loan (including any failure to take action with respect to a notice of redemption, consent solicitation, exchange or tender offer, or similar corporate action) and (b) the loaned Collateral Obligations shall not be disqualified for return to the Trustee as a Collateral Obligation by any change in circumstance or status during the time while on loan (including any change that would cause the Collateral Obligation to be ineligible for purchase by the Issuer under the Indenture if applied to a proposed purchase of it in the open market at the time of its return from loan).

## **MATURITY AND PREPAYMENT CONSIDERATIONS**

The Stated Maturity of each Class of Notes will be the Payment Date in November 2017 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date; *however*, the principal of each Class of the Notes is expected to be paid in full prior to its Stated Maturity. Average life refers to the average amount of time that will elapse from the date of delivery of a security until each dollar of the principal of such security will be paid to the investor. The average lives of the Notes will be determined by the amount and frequency of principal payments, which are dependent upon, among other things, the amount of sinking fund payments and any other payments received at or in advance of the scheduled maturity of Collateral Obligations (whether through sale, maturity, redemption, default or other liquidation or disposition).

The actual performance of the Securities will also be affected by the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral Obligations and the characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, including the interest rate or other rate of distribution, the actual default rate and actual losses sustained, the existence and frequency of exercise of any prepayment, optional redemption, or sinking fund features and any related premium, the prevailing level of interest rates, any sales of Collateral Obligations, and any unique risks of the Collateral Obligations. Any disposition of a Collateral Obligation may change the composition and characteristics of the portfolio of Collateral Obligations and their rate of payment, and, accordingly, may affect the actual performance of each respective Class of Securities. The ability of the Issuer to reinvest any Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds in the manner described under "Security for the Notes" will also affect the performance of the Securities. Redemptions will also affect the performance of the Securities.

## THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER

*The information appearing in this section has been prepared by the Portfolio Manager and has not been independently verified by the Co-Issuers, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent or any other person. Accordingly, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, neither the Co-Issuers, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent nor any other person assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or applicability of such information.*

### General

Based in Dallas, Texas, Highland Capital is a registered investment adviser specializing in below investment grade credit and special situation investing. As of September 30, 2005, Highland Capital managed over \$18 billion in leveraged loans, high yield bonds, structured products and other assets for banks, insurance companies, pension plans, foundations, and high net worth individuals.

Highland Capital manages these assets through a variety of fund structures including separate accounts, CDOs, hedge funds and mutual funds. As of September 30, 2005, Highland Capital invested in approximately 1,000 below investment grade and credit sensitive credit positions, and Highland Capital's 56 person credit team followed approximately 1,200 below investment grade and credit sensitive credit positions across over 40 industries. Highland Capital or an affiliate or predecessor thereof has been an SEC-registered investment advisor since April 1993.

### *Investment Philosophy and Process*

Highland Capital has a large range and depth of experience. It has expertise in syndicated loans, high yield bonds, and distressed investments. Highland Capital believes it is in a position to arbitrage disparities in the historical spread relationship between various below investment grade asset classes. Highland Capital believes that, historically, the most inefficient asset classes have demonstrated the best risk/return characteristics.

Highland Capital has invested over \$250 million of firm capital in its funds, and expects that one of its Affiliates or funds will invest approximately \$22 million aggregate Face Amount in the Class E Certificates of the Issuer. Additionally, Highland Capital believes that it strives to minimize operating expenses and hires the brightest and most talented professionals, insisting on a high degree of dedication and integrity.

Highland Capital believes that its disciplined investment process minimizes a portfolio's risk and that its strategy seeks to maximize current yield over capital appreciation while limiting downside risk. Portfolio managers actively follow each credit and several times each year the entire investment staff reviews all positions during multi-day monitoring meetings. Highland Capital diversifies its portfolios with set limits on exposure to any one given industry or issuer. Highland Capital believes that this philosophy and process has resulted in positive returns in 48 of the last 50 quarters on its underlying loan portfolio and consistent outperformance relative to its indices.

Highland Capital focuses on a "team" approach that it has used since the investment committee started in 1990. It is Highland Capital management's belief that this style creates the optimum environment for the exchange of information and the development of all investment professionals. All aspects of the investment process are coordinated through the committee's direct interaction. The investment committee, which consists of senior portfolio managers, Highland Capital's Chief Investment Officer and its Head of Structured Products, meets every morning to discuss the market, investment strategy, and credits. In addition, the firm maintains an "informal" open door policy with regards to investment or personal issues. The committee is composed of senior management and portfolio managers/analysts. Collectively, the committee utilizes an investment process which is driven by fundamental credit research. Each portfolio manager/analyst makes specific credit recommendations

based upon industry coverage. The investment proposal is then brought to the investment committee for consideration. Based upon the consensus decision, the portfolio manager with the recommendation will direct Highland traders to execute the trade. Highland Capital has also provided its investment committee with a strong commitment to technology. The firm developed Wall Street Office® which is a proprietary software system that allows Highland Capital to model, portfolio manage, and trade syndicated loans. This software has been licensed to more than 70 financial institutions that invest in syndicated loans.

### **Professionals of the Portfolio Manager**

Set forth below is information regarding certain persons who are currently employed by the Portfolio Manager. Such persons may not necessarily continue to be so employed during the entire term of the Management Agreement.

#### **Senior Management**

##### **James Dondero, CFA, CPA, CMA – Managing Partner - President**

Mr. Dondero is a Founder and President of Highland Capital. Formerly, Mr. Dondero served as Chief Investment Officer of Protective Life's GIC subsidiary and helped grow the business from concept to over \$2 billion between 1989 to 1993. His portfolio management experience includes mortgage-backed securities, investment grade corporates, leveraged bank loans, emerging markets, derivatives, preferred stocks and common stocks. From 1985 to 1989, he managed approximately \$1 billion in fixed income funds for American Express. Prior to American Express, he completed the financial training at Morgan Guaranty Trust Company. Mr. Dondero is a Beta Gamma Sigma graduate of the University of Virginia, 1984 with degrees in Accounting and Finance. Mr. Dondero is a Certified Public Accountant, Chartered Financial Analyst and a Certified Management Accountant.

##### **Mark Okada, CFA – Managing Partner - Chief Investment Officer**

Mr. Okada is a Founder and Chief Investment Officer of Highland Capital. He is responsible for overseeing Highland Capital's investment activities for its various funds and has over 19 years of experience in the leveraged finance market. Formerly, Mr. Okada served as Manager of Fixed Income for Protective Life's GIC subsidiary from 1990 to 1993. He was primarily responsible for the bank loan portfolio and other risk assets. Protective was one of the first non-bank entrants into the syndicated loan market. From 1986 to 1990, he served as Vice President for Hibernia National Bank, managing over \$1 billion of high yield bank loans. Mr. Okada is an honors graduate of the University of California Los Angeles with degrees in Economics and Psychology. He completed his credit training at Mitsui and is a Chartered Financial Analyst. Mr. Okada is also Chairman of the Board of Directors of Common Grace Ministries Inc.

##### **Todd Travers, CFA – Head of Structured Products, Senior Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Travers is responsible for Highland Capital's CDO business and is the primary portfolio manager for Highland Capital's par debt funds. He is a member of the Credit Committee and heads a team that is responsible for structuring new transactions and implementing additional opportunities in Highland Capital's core businesses. Formerly, Mr. Travers served as Portfolio Manager/Portfolio Analyst from 1994 to 1998 for Highland Capital. In 1999, he was promoted to Senior Portfolio Manager and his duties were expanded beyond sector portfolio management to include the origination, structuring and issuance of new structured vehicles, including all structured vehicles since Highland Loan Funding V Ltd. and Restoration Funding Ltd. His prior responsibilities included managing a portion of Highland Capital's leveraged loan and high yield debt portfolios with an emphasis on technology and aviation transactions. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Travers was a Finance Manager at American

Airlines. Mr. Travers is a graduate of Iowa State University with a BS in Industrial Engineering. He received his MBA with an emphasis in Finance from Southern Methodist University. Mr. Travers is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

## **Traders**

### **Brad Borud** – *Senior Trader and Co-Director Portfolio Management*

Mr. Borud is a Senior Trader of leveraged loans and high yield bonds. Prior to his current duties, Mr. Borud served as a Portfolio Analyst for Highland Capital from 1996 to 1998. From 1998 to 2003, Mr. Borud was a Portfolio Manager covering a wide range of industries, including Wireline Telecommunications, Wireless Telecommunications, Telecommunication Equipment Manufacturers, Multi-channel Video, and Media. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Borud worked as a Global Finance Analyst in the Corporate Finance Group at NationsBank from 1995 to 1996 where he was involved in the originating, structuring, modeling, and credit analysis of leveraged transactions for large corporate accounts in the Southwest portion of the United States. During 1994, Mr. Borud also served at Conseco Capital Management as an Analyst Intern in the Fixed Income Research Department following the Transportation and Energy sectors. He has a BS in Business Finance from Indiana University.

### **Paul Kauffman, CFA, CPA** – *Senior Trader and Co-Director of Portfolio Management*

Mr. Kauffman is a Senior Trader for loan and high yield credit products. He joined Highland Capital in 1998 as a Portfolio Analyst and was a Portfolio Manager prior to moving into his current role. At Highland Capital, Paul has followed a variety of industries, including Paper & Packaging, General Industrials, Metals, and the Automotive sector. Prior to Highland Capital, Mr. Kauffman spent four years in the public accounting industry, including two and a half years at KPMG Peat Marwick. At KPMG, Mr. Kauffman gained audit experience in a wide range of industries, with particular focus on the Energy and Cable industries. He was the Supervising Senior Accountant on one of the Dallas offices' largest clients. He received a BBA in Accounting from Baylor University and an MBA from Duke University. Mr. Kauffman is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

## **Senior Portfolio Managers**

### **Patrick H. Daugherty** – *Senior Distressed Portfolio Manager*

Mr. Daugherty is a Senior Portfolio Manager and General Counsel at Highland Capital. He is co-head of the Distressed Group where he is responsible for managing the sourcing, investing, and monitoring process. In addition, he serves as head manager of the Private Equity Group and is responsible for all portfolio companies. Prior to joining Highland Capital in early 1998, Mr. Daugherty served as Vice President in the Corporate Finance Group at NationsBanc Capital Markets, Inc. (now Bank of America Capital Markets, Inc.) where he originated and structured leveraged transactions for a \$2.5 billion portfolio of mid-cap companies located in the Southwest. Prior to joining Bank of America, Mr. Daugherty was an Associate with the law firm of Baker, Brown, Sharman and Parker in Houston, Texas where he represented banks and financial institutions in the liquidation of various RTC portfolios. Mr. Daugherty has over 15 years of experience in distressed, high yield and corporate restructuring. He has been involved in over 100 bankruptcy situations and held steering committee positions in over 35 cases. Mr. Daugherty currently serves on the Board of Directors of Norse Merchant Group and its affiliates, Ferrimorac Holdings Limited, Nexpak Corporation and its affiliates (as Chairman), Moll Industries and its affiliates (as Chairman), and is a former board member of Mariner Health Care, Inc. He received a BBA in Finance from The University of Texas at Austin and a Juris Doctorate from The University of Houston School of Law. Mr. Daugherty's professional certifications include membership in the Texas Bar Association and admittance to the American Bar Association in 1992.

**John Morgan, CFA – Senior Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Morgan is a Senior Portfolio Manager covering the Retail, Food & Drug, and Restaurant & Lodging sectors. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Morgan served as Portfolio Analyst for Falcon Fund Management, LTD from August 1995-February 2000. There he created comparables to assess the attractiveness of companies within industries and across the portfolio. He assisted the portfolio manager in the security selection process and management of the portfolio. Prior to Falcon, he was an Analyst for a Convertible Arbitrage Fund at Q Investments. His primary responsibility included analyzing financial statements and related corporate disclosures and performing analysis on potential investment opportunities. He received both a BS in Biological Sciences and an MBA from Southern Methodist University.

**Kurtis S. Plumer, CFA – Senior Distressed Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Plumer is co-head of the Distressed Group at Highland Capital and is responsible for managing the sourcing and monitoring process. He has over 14 years of experience in distressed, high yield bond and leveraged loan products. Prior to joining Highland Capital in 1999, Mr. Plumer was a distressed high yield bond trader at Lehman Brothers in New York, where he managed a \$250 million portfolio invested in global distressed securities. While at Lehman, he also traded emerging market sovereign bonds. Prior to joining Lehman Brothers, Mr. Plumer was a corporate finance banker at NationsBanc Capital Markets, Inc. (now Bank of America Capital Markets, Inc.) where he focused on M&A and financing transactions for the bank's clients. Mr. Plumer earned a BBA in Economics and Finance from Baylor University and an MBA in Strategy and Finance from the Kellogg School at Northwestern University. Mr. Plumer is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

**Dansby White – Managing Director**

Mr. White is responsible for growing Highland Capital's structured finance and structured vehicles business. Prior to joining Highland Capital he was Managing Director and Head of Structured Finance in the Americas from June 2000 to September 2002 at Merrill Lynch. In this capacity, Mr. White was responsible for managing the Asset Backed Commercial Paper, Asset Backed Securities, Collateralized Debt Obligation and CMBS businesses. From March 1999 until June 2000 Mr. White was the Head of Merrill's Global CDO Group. Prior to joining Merrill Lynch Mr. White was a Principal in the Structured Finance Group at BT Alex Brown focusing on the CDO business. In the early 1980s, Mr. White worked in various capacities at GATX Leasing Corporation. Prior to joining BT Alex Brown, Mr. White spent eight years practicing general corporate law at Cahill Gordon and Reindel LLP and White & Case LLP. Mr. White holds a BA in Economics from Northwestern University, an MBA from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University and a JD from Rutgers University School of Law in Newark where Mr. White was selected for the Law Review. After graduating from Law School, Mr. White served as Law Clerk to the Hon. Robert N. Wilentz, Chief Justice of the New Jersey Supreme Court for one year.

**David Walls, CFA – Senior Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Walls is a Senior Portfolio Manager with oversight of the Cable, Wireless/Wireline Telecom, Satellite, Aerospace/Defense and Equipment Rental sectors. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Walls worked for Lend Lease Real Estate Investments as an Associate in their Asset Management unit underwriting and structuring acquisitions of bulk portfolios of distressed Korean real estate and corporate debt. Before his international responsibilities at Lend Lease, Mr. Walls performed loan workouts on a domestic portfolio of sub- and non-performing real estate secured assets. Prior to Lend Lease, Mr. Walls worked at U.S. Trust Company of California as an Assistant Vice President, Junior Portfolio Manager in their Fixed Income Portfolio Management group and for Capital Research & Management Company as a fixed income trader. He holds a BA in Economics from Northwestern

University and an MBA in Finance and Marketing from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University. Mr. Walls is a member of AIMR and DAIA. Mr. Walls is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

**Joe Dougherty, CFA, CPA – Senior Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Dougherty is a Senior Portfolio Manager. Additionally, Mr. Dougherty heads Highland Capital's retail funds business unit ("**Highland Funds**") and serves as Senior Vice President and Director of the Firm's two NYSE-listed bond funds, which invest in both investment grade and high yield debt. Additionally, Mr. Dougherty serves as Senior Vice President and Director of the Firm's two 1940 Act Registered floating rate funds, which primarily invest in senior secured floating rate loans. In this capacity, Mr. Dougherty oversees investment decisions for the retail funds, alongside several other Portfolio Managers, and manages the team dedicated to their day-to-day administration. Prior to his current duties, Mr. Dougherty served as Portfolio Analyst for Highland from 1998 to 1999. As a Portfolio Analyst, Mr. Dougherty also helped follow companies within the Chemical, Retail, Supermarket and Restaurant sectors. Prior to joining Highland, Mr. Dougherty served as an Investment Analyst with Sandera Capital Management from 1997 to 1998. Formerly, he was a Business Development Manager at Akzo Nobel from 1994 to 1996 and a Senior Accountant at Deloitte & Touche, LLP from 1992 to 1994. He received a BS in Accounting from Villanova University and an MBA from Southern Methodist University. Mr. Dougherty is a Chartered Financial Analyst and a Certified Public Accountant.

**Brett Pope, CFA – Senior Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Pope is a Senior Portfolio Manager covering the Healthcare, Financial Services, Building Products, and Metals & Mining sectors. Prior to joining Highland, Mr. Pope served as a Senior Equities Analyst in Healthcare at Street Advisor.com from 1999 to 2001. His experience also includes working as a Senior Research Analyst covering the Building Products and Financial Service sectors at Southwest Securities from 1996 to 1999. Prior to 1996, he served as a Senior Financial Analyst with Associates First Capital Corporation. Mr. Pope is a graduate of the University of Texas at Austin where he graduated Magna Cum Laude. Mr. Pope is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Portfolio Manager—The Issuer Will Depend on the Managerial Expertise Available to the Portfolio Manager and Its Key Personnel."

## **THE MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Management Agreement. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the Management Agreement.

Pursuant to the terms of the Management Agreement, and in accordance with the requirements set forth in the Indenture, the Portfolio Manager will select the portfolio of Collateral Obligations and will instruct the Trustee with respect to any acquisition, disposition or sale of a Collateral Obligation and an Eligible Investment. Neither the Initial Purchaser or the Placement Agent nor any Affiliate thereof will select any of the Collateral Obligations.

Pursuant to the terms of the Management Agreement, the Portfolio Manager will monitor the Collateral Obligations and provide the Issuer with certain information received from the Collateral Administrator with respect to the composition and characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, any disposition or tender of a Collateral Obligation, the reinvestment of the proceeds of any such disposition in Eligible Investments and with respect to the retention of the proceeds of any such disposition or the application thereof toward the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations. The Portfolio Manager will, and will be authorized to, negotiate, on behalf of the Issuer, with respect to all actions to be taken by the Issuer under any Hedge Agreements.

As compensation for the performance of its obligations as Portfolio Manager, the Portfolio Manager will be entitled to receive:

- (i) a fee (the “**Senior Management Fee**”) that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Portfolio Manager in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.30% per annum of the Maximum Investment Amount as of the first day of the related Due Period if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments (with the Senior Management Fee being calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed *divided by* 360);
- (ii) an amount (the “**Subordinated Management Fee**”) payable on each Payment Date equal to the sum of (a) a fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Portfolio Manager in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.25% per annum of the Maximum Investment Amount as of the first day of the related Due Period if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments, (b) on any Payment Date that any part of the Senior Management Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period *plus* 3.00% per annum and (c) on any Payment Date that any part of the Subordinated Management Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period *plus* 3.00% per annum (with the portion of the Subordinated Management Fee or Senior Management Fee, as applicable, in clauses (a) through (c) above, as applicable, being calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed *divided by* 360); and
- (iii) a fee (the “**Incentive Management Fee**” and together with the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee, the “**Management Fee**”), if any, payable on each Payment Date to the Portfolio Manager in an amount equal to: (i) 20% of the remaining Interest Proceeds, if any, available for payment in respect of the Incentive Management Fee pursuant to clause (23) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” and (ii) 20% of the remaining Principal Proceeds, if any, available for payment in respect of the Incentive Management Fee pursuant to clause (9) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

The Portfolio Manager may, in its sole discretion: (i) waive all or any portion of the Management Fee, any funds representing the waived Management Fees to be retained in the Collection Account for distribution as either Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds (as determined by the Portfolio Manager) pursuant to the Priority of Payments; or (ii) defer all or any portion of the Management Fee, any funds representing the deferred Management Fees to be retained in the Collection Account, when they will become payable in the same manner and priority as their original characterization would have required unless deferred again.

The Portfolio Manager, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, and its Affiliates and their directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, shall not be liable to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Noteholders, the Holders of Class Q-1 Securities, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Holders of the Class E Certificates or any other person for any losses, claims, damages, judgments, assessments, costs or other liabilities (collectively “**Liabilities**”) incurred by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Noteholders, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Holders of the Class E Certificates or any other person that arise out of or in connection with the performance by the Portfolio Manager of its duties under the Management Agreement and the Indenture, except by reason of (i) acts or omissions constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, gross negligence or breach of fiduciary duty in the performance, or reckless disregard, of the obligations of the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement and under the terms of the Indenture applicable to it or (ii) with respect to any information included in this Offering Memorandum in the sections entitled “The Portfolio Manager” that

contains any untrue statement of material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) collectively being the “**Portfolio Manager Breaches**”). The Portfolio Manager will be liable for any non-waivable breaches of applicable securities laws.

The Issuer will indemnify and hold harmless the Portfolio Manager, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees (such parties collectively in such case, the “**Indemnified Parties**”) from and against any and all Liabilities, and shall reimburse each such Indemnified Party for all reasonable fees and expenses (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) (collectively, the “**Expenses**”) as such Expenses are incurred in investigating, preparing, pursuing or defending any claim, action, proceeding or investigation with respect to any pending or threatened litigation (collectively, the “**Actions**”), caused by, or arising out of or in connection with, the issuance of the Securities, the transactions contemplated by the Offering Memorandum, the Indenture or the Management Agreement, and/or any action taken by, or any failure to act by, such Indemnified Party; *provided, however*, that no Indemnified Party shall be indemnified for any Liabilities or Expenses it incurs as a result of any acts or omissions by any Indemnified Party constituting Portfolio Manager Breaches. Any such indemnification by the Issuer will be paid in accordance with, and subject to, the Priority of Payments.

Pursuant to the terms of the Management Agreement, the Portfolio Manager will agree that on the Closing Date the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates or funds will purchase Class E Certificates having an aggregate Face Amount approximately equal to \$22 million.

The Management Agreement may not be amended or modified (other than an amendment or modification of the type that may be made to the Indenture without Holder consent) (a) without satisfying the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency and (b) if a Majority of the Controlling Class or a Majority of the Class E Certificates have objected in writing to such amendment or modification within 30 days of notice thereof.

Subject to the termination provisions of the Management Agreement, any assignment of the Management Agreement to any Person, in whole or in part, by the Portfolio Manager will be deemed null and void unless (i) such assignment is consented to in writing by the Issuer, the Holders of at least 66-2/3% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class of Notes and Holders of a Majority of the Class E Certificates (excluding Class E Certificates held by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates, or any account for which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority), (ii) the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to any such assignment and (iii) such assignee or delegate shall not cause the Issuer to be subject to tax in the United States. The Management Agreement shall not be assigned by the Issuer without the prior written consent of the Portfolio Manager and the Trustee, except in the case of assignment by the Issuer to (i) an entity which is a successor to the Issuer permitted under the Indenture, in which case such successor organization shall be bound under the Management Agreement and by the terms of said assignment in the same manner as the Issuer is bound thereunder or (ii) the Trustee as contemplated by the Indenture.

The Management Agreement provides that the Portfolio Manager will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Portfolio Manager such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Portfolio Manager, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm’s length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other, (iii) such transaction is permitted by the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 and (iv) such transaction satisfies the requirements in the Management Agreement and the Indenture. The Management Agreement also provides that the Portfolio Manager will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for



which the Portfolio Manager serves as investment advisor, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Portfolio Manager serves as investment advisor unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Portfolio Manager, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other, (ii) permitted by the Investment Adviser's Act of 1940 and (iii) in compliance with the terms of the Management Agreement and the Indenture.

Subject to the provisions for a successor portfolio manager discussed below, the Portfolio Manager may resign, upon 90 days' written notice to the Issuer (or such shorter notice as is acceptable to the Issuer).

The Management Agreement provides that the Portfolio Manager may be removed without cause upon 90 days' prior written notice by the Issuer, at the direction of the Holders of at least 66-2/3% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Class E Certificates (excluding Class E Certificates held by the Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates or any account for which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority at the time of such vote); *provided, however*, that the Portfolio Manager shall have the right to avoid any such removal if, on or prior to the proposed removal date the following conditions are satisfied: (i) the Portfolio Manager provides written notice, not less than 20 Business Days prior to the proposed removal date, to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Class E Certificates), the Issuer and the Trustee that the Portfolio Manager intends to purchase not less than all of the Class E Certificates voting for such removal from the Holders thereof (the "**Directing Class E Certificates**"), (ii) in the notice provided to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Class E Certificates) in the preceding clause (i), the Portfolio Manager includes a statement to the effect that each Holder of Class E Certificates who did not vote for removal may provide written notice to the Portfolio Manager not later than 5 Business Days prior to the proposed removal date that the Class E Certificates held by such Holder shall be deemed to be included in the Directing Class E Certificates as provided in the preceding clause (i) and (iii) the Portfolio Manager effects the purchase of not less than all of the Directing Class E Certificates (including Class E Certificates represented by Class E Certificate Components in accordance with the Indenture) at the Buy-out Amount (*provided* that in the case of the Class P Securities only the Class E Certificates represented by the Class E Certificate Component will be sold, and the applicable Class P U.S. Treasury Component will be distributed to the Holder in kind). If all of the conditions set forth in the preceding sentence are satisfied on or prior to the proposed removal date, the Portfolio Manager shall continue as the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement.

In addition, the Management Agreement will be terminated, and the Portfolio Manager will be removed, by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee or by Holders of a Majority of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class of Notes or by Holders of at least 66-2/3% of the Class E Certificates (excluding any Class E Certificates held by the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates or any account for which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority at the time of such vote), in each case for "cause" upon 10 days' prior written notice to the Portfolio Manager and upon written notice to the Noteholders and the Holders of the Class E Certificates as set forth below. For purposes of determining "cause" with respect to any such termination of the Management Agreement, such term shall mean any one of the following events:

- (i) the Portfolio Manager willfully breaches in any respect, or takes any action that it knows violates in any respect, any provision of the Management Agreement or any terms of the Indenture applicable to it;
- (ii) the Portfolio Manager breaches in any material respect any provision of the Management Agreement or any terms of the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement applicable to it, or any representation, warranty, certification or statement given in writing by the Portfolio Manager shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or given, and the Portfolio Manager fails to cure such breach or take such action so that the facts (after giving effect to such action) conform in all material respects to such representation,

warranty, certificate or statement, in each case within 30 days of becoming aware of, or receiving notice from, the Trustee of, such breach or materially incorrect representation, warranty, certificate or statement;

(iii) certain events of bankruptcy or insolvency occur with respect to the Portfolio Manager;

(iv) the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture that results from any breach by the Portfolio Manager of its duties under the Indenture or the Management Agreement, which breach or default is not cured within any applicable cure period; or

(v) (x) the occurrence of an act by the Portfolio Manager related to its activities in any securities, financial advisory or other investment business that constitutes fraud, (y) the Portfolio Manager being indicted, or any of its principals being convicted, of a felony criminal offense related to its activities in any securities, financial advisory or other investment business or (z) the Portfolio Manager being indicted for, adjudged liable in a civil suit for, or convicted of a violation of the Securities Act or any other United States Federal securities law or any rules or regulations thereunder.

No removal, termination or resignation of the Portfolio Manager will be effective under the Management Agreement unless:

(i) the Issuer appoints a successor portfolio manager:

(a) (A) at the written direction of a Super Majority of the Class E Certificates (excluding any Class E Certificates held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority), (B) such successor has agreed in writing to assume all of the Portfolio Manager's duties and obligations pursuant to the Management Agreement and the Indenture and (C) a Majority of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class of Notes has consented to the appointment of such successor portfolio manager and (D) such successor portfolio manager is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single Class (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority)); or

(b) if a Super Majority of the Class E Certificates (excluding any Class E Certificates held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority) has nominated two or more successor portfolio managers that have either not been consented to pursuant to subclause (C) of clause (a) above or been objected to pursuant to subclause (D) of clause (a) above or has otherwise failed to appoint a successor portfolio manager that has been consented to pursuant to subclause (C) of clause (a) above and is not objected to pursuant to clause (D) of clause (a) above within 30 days of the date of notice of such removal, termination or resignation of the Portfolio Manager, then (A) at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, (B) such successor has agreed in writing to assume all of the Portfolio Manager's duties and obligations pursuant to the Management Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor portfolio manager is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) the Majority of the Class E Certificates (excluding any Class E Certificates held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary

voting authority) or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single Class (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority)); or

(c) if a Majority of the Controlling Class fails to appoint a successor portfolio manager pursuant to clause (b) above, within 90 days of the date of notice of such removal, termination or resignation of the Portfolio Manager, the Majority of the Controlling Class may petition a court of competent authority to appoint a successor portfolio manager.

In addition, any successor portfolio manager must be an established institution which (i) has demonstrated an ability to professionally and competently perform duties similar to those imposed upon the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement, (ii) is legally qualified and has the capacity to act as Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement, as successor to the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement in the assumption of all of the responsibilities, duties and obligations of the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement and under the applicable terms of the Indenture, (iii) shall not cause the Issuer or the pool of Collateral to become required to register under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, (iv) shall perform its duties as Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement and the Indenture without causing the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Holder of Class E Certificates to become subject to tax in any jurisdiction where such successor portfolio manager is established as doing business and (v) each Rating Agency has confirmed that the appointment of such successor portfolio manager shall not cause its then-current rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn. No compensation payable to a successor from payments on the Collateral shall be greater than that paid to the Portfolio Manager without the prior written consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes, a Majority of the Notes (voting collectively) and a Majority of the Class E Certificates (voting collectively).

The Management Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement, cannot be delegated by the Portfolio Manager, in whole or in part, except to any entity that (i) is controlled by two or more of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers, (ii) is one in which two or more of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers is involved in the day to day management and operations (and in such case pursuant to an instrument of delegation in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer), without the prior written consent of the Issuer, a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes and a Majority of the Class E Certificates (excluding Class E Certificates held by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates or any account for which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority); *provided* that such delegation shall not cause the Issuer to be subject to tax in the United States, and notwithstanding any such consent, no delegation of obligations or duties by the Portfolio Manager (including, without limitation, to an entity described above) shall relieve the Portfolio Manager from any liability under the Management Agreement.

## **THE CO-ISSUERS**

### **General**

Liberty CLO, Ltd. was incorporated on June 30, 2005 under the Companies Law (2004 Revision) of the Cayman Islands with the registered number WK-151196 and has an indefinite existence. The registered office of the Issuer is at the offices of Walkers SPV Limited, P.O. Box 908GT, Walker House, Mary Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands.

The Issuer has no prior operating history, prior business experience or employees. Clause 2 of the Issuer's Memorandum of Association sets out the objects of the Issuer, which include the activities to be carried out by the Issuer in connection with the issuance of the Securities. The activities of the Issuer will be limited to (i) acquisition and disposition of, and investment and reinvestment in, Collateral

Obligations and Eligible Investments for its own account; (ii) entering into, and performing its obligations under, the Indenture, the Class E Certificate Documents, any Hedge Agreements, the Securities Lending Agreements, the Management Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Administration Agreement, the Purchase Agreement, the Placement Agency Agreement, the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement and the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement; (iii) the issuance and sale of the Securities and the Ordinary Shares; (iv) the pledge of the Collateral as security for its obligations in respect of the Notes and any Hedge Agreements; (v) the pledge of the Class P-1 Collateral as security for certain obligations in respect of the Class P-1 Securities and the pledge of the Class P-2 Collateral as security for certain obligations in respect of the Class P-2 Securities; and (vi) undertaking certain other activities incidental to the foregoing and permitted by the Indenture. Assets included in the Collateral will be the Issuer's only source of funds to make payments on the Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class E Certificates. Assets included in the Class P-1 Collateral will be the Issuer's only source of funds to make payments on the Class P-1 Securities and assets included in the Class P-2 Collateral will be the Issuer's only source of funds to make payments on the Class P-2 Securities. The Issuer has no indebtedness for borrowed money other than indebtedness incurred pursuant to the Indenture and described herein. The Issuer may incur debt in the future only in compliance with and pursuant to the terms of the Indenture.

The authorized share capital of the Issuer consists of the aggregate of 1,000 voting Ordinary Shares, par value U.S. \$1.00 per share (the **"Ordinary Shares"**).

All of the Issuer's Ordinary Shares will be legally owned by the Share Trustee and will be held in charitable trust for the benefit of one or more charitable organizations located in the Cayman Islands under the terms of a declaration of trust. Under the terms of such declaration of trust, the Share Trustee will, among other things, generally agree not to dispose of or otherwise deal with such Ordinary Shares. The Share Trustee will have no beneficial interest in and derive no benefit, other than fees, from its holding of the Ordinary Shares.

Liberty CLO, Corp. was incorporated on October 27, 2005 in the State of Delaware under registration number 4051612 as a corporation and has a perpetual existence. The registered office of the Co-Issuer is at Puglisi & Associates, 850 Library Avenue, Suite 204, Newark, Delaware 19711.

The Co-Issuer has no prior operating history, prior business experience or employees and will not have any material assets and will not pledge any assets to secure the Notes. The Third Clause of the Co-Issuer's Certificate of Incorporation sets out the principal purpose of the Co-Issuer, which includes the business to be carried out by the Co-Issuer in connection with the issuance of the Notes. The activities of the Co-Issuer will be limited to (i) issuance of its common stock (not offered hereby), (ii) the co-issuance and sale of the Notes and (iii) engaging in any other activities that are incidental to the foregoing and permitted by the Indenture.

The authorized common stock of the Co-Issuer consists of the aggregate of 1,000 voting common stock, par value U.S. \$0.01 per share (the **"Co-Issuer Common Stock"**).

All of the Co-Issuer Common Stock are issued and will be legally owned by the Share Trustee and will be held in charitable trust for the benefit of one or more charitable organizations located in the Cayman Islands under the terms of a declaration of trust. Under the terms of such declaration of trust, the Share Trustee will, among other things, generally agree not to dispose of or otherwise deal with such Co-Issuer Common Stock. The Share Trustee will have no beneficial interest in and derive no benefit, other than fees, from its holding of the Co-Issuer Common Stock.

#### **Capitalization of the Issuer**

The Notes are limited recourse obligations of the Issuer and non-recourse obligations of the Co-Issuer and the Class E Certificates are preferred equity interests only in the Issuer. The Class Q-1 Securities will be limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer to the extent of the related Class Q-1 Note Component and preferred equity interests in the Issuer to the extent of the related Class Q-1 Class E

Certificate Component. The Class P Securities will be limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer to the extent of the related Class P U.S. Treasury Component and preferred equity interests in the Issuer to the extent of the related Class P Class E Certificated Component. The Securities are not obligations of the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Collateral Administrator, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Administrator, the Holders of the Class E Certificates, Walkers SPV Limited, as the share trustee (in such capacity, the “**Share Trustee**”), or any directors or officers of Co-Issuers or any of their respective Affiliates.

## Capitalization

The initial proposed capitalization of the Issuer as of the Closing Date after giving effect to the initial issuance of the Securities and the Ordinary Shares (before deducting expenses of the offering) is as set forth below.

	<b>Amount (U.S.\$)</b>
Class A-1A Notes	50,000,000 <sup>1</sup>
Class A-1B Notes	50,000,000 <sup>2</sup>
Class A-1C Notes	446,000,000 <sup>3</sup>
Class A-2 Notes	68,500,000
Class A-3 Notes	68,500,000
Class A-4 Notes	43,000,000
Class B Notes	49,000,000
Class C Notes	52,000,000
Total Notes	827,000,000
Class E Certificates	94,000,000 <sup>5</sup>
Ordinary Shares	1,000
Total Equity	94,000,000
Total Capitalization <sup>3</sup>	921,000,000
Class Q-1 Securities	20,000,000 <sup>6</sup>
Class P-1 Securities	20,000,000 <sup>7</sup>
Class P-2 Securities	5,000,000 <sup>7</sup>

<sup>1</sup> U.S.\$0 of which will be drawn as of the Closing Date.

<sup>2</sup> U.S.\$0 of which will be drawn as of the Closing Date.

<sup>3</sup> Including U.S. \$12,600,000 initial aggregate principal amount of Class C Notes represented by the Class Q-1 Note Component of the Class Q-1 Securities.

<sup>4</sup> Including (i) U.S. \$7,400,000 Face Amount of the Class E Certificates represented by the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component of the Class Q-1 Securities, (ii) U.S. \$6,180,000 Face Amount of the Class E Certificates represented by the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component of the Class P-1 Securities and U.S. \$1,500,000 Face Amount of the Class E Certificates represented by the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component of the Class P-2 Securities.

<sup>5</sup> The above statements are unaudited.

<sup>6</sup> Including U.S. \$12,600,000 initial aggregate principal amount of Class C Notes represented by the Class Q-1 Note Component of the Class Q-1 Securities and U.S. \$7,400,000 Face Amount of the Class E Certificates represented by the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component of the Class Q-1 Securities.

<sup>7</sup> \*The Class P-1 Securities consist of the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component representing 6,180 Class E Certificates and the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component representing U.S.\$20,000,000 (face value) U.S. Treasury securities with zero coupon due November 15, 2013. The Class P-2 Securities consist of the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component representing 1,500 Class E Certificates and the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component representing U.S.\$5,000,000 (face value) U.S. Treasury securities with zero coupon due November 15, 2013. The U.S.\$6,180,000 Face Amount of Class E Certificates to which the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component relates and the U.S.\$1,500,000 Face Amount of Class E Certificates to which the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component relates are included in (and are not in addition to) the aggregate U.S.\$94,000,000 Face Amount of the Class E Certificates.

The Co-Issuer will be capitalized only to the extent of its common equity of U.S.\$100, will have no assets other than its equity capital and will have no debt other than as Co-Issuer of the Notes.

## **Business**

### *General*

The Issuer Charter provides that the objects for which the Issuer is established are limited and the Issuer may exercise the power contained in Section 226 of the Companies Law (2004 Revision). Article III of the Co-Issuer's Certificate of Incorporation provides that the principal purpose of the Co-Issuer is the issuance of the Notes and to exercise any powers permitted to corporations organized under Delaware Law, which are incidental to accomplish the foregoing.

### *The Issuer*

The Indenture provides that the activities of the Issuer are limited to the following:

- (i) acquisition and disposition of, and investment and reinvestment in, Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments for its own account;
- (ii) entering into, and performing its obligations under, the Indenture, the Class E Certificate Documents, any Hedge Agreements, the Securities Lending Agreements, the Management Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Administration Agreement, the Purchase Agreement, the Placement Agency Agreement, the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement and the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement;
- (iii) the issuance and sale of the Securities and the Ordinary Shares;
- (iv) the pledge of the Collateral as security for its obligations in respect of the Notes and any Hedge Agreements;
- (v) the pledge of the Class P-1 Collateral as security for certain obligations in respect of the Class P-1 Securities and the pledge of the Class P-2 Collateral as security for certain obligations in respect of the Class P-2 Securities;
- (vi) entering into certain pre-closing warehousing arrangements and the agreements relating thereto; and
- (vii) undertaking certain other activities incidental to the foregoing and permitted by the Indenture.

### *The Co-Issuer*

The activities of the Co-Issuer are to be limited to the following:

- (i) to co-issuance and sale of the Notes; and
- (ii) to engage in any activity and to exercise any powers permitted to corporations organized under Delaware law, which are incidental to the foregoing.

### **The Administrator**

Certain administrative functions in the Cayman Islands will be performed on behalf of the Issuer by Walkers SPV Limited, the Administrator, pursuant to an administration agreement (the “**Administration Agreement**”). Such functions include communications with holders of the Ordinary Shares and the general public and other services. The Administrator provides similar services to various other Cayman Islands entities. In consideration of the foregoing, the Administrator will receive various fees payable by the Issuer. The Administrator’s address is Walkers SPV Limited, P.O. Box 908GT, Walker House, Mary Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands.

The Administrator may resign or be terminated upon 30 days’ prior written notice to the Issuer, in the case of resignation, or to the Administrator, in the case of termination. The Issuer may terminate the Administrator with immediate effect to the extent the Administrator has been guilty of fraud, willful misconduct or negligence in relation to the Administration Agreement. Upon the occurrence of either such event, the Issuer will promptly appoint a successor Administrator.

### **Directors**

The Issuer’s Articles of Association provide that the Board of Directors of the Issuer will consist of not more than ten Directors. The Directors of the Issuer are expected to be as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Occupation</u>
David Egglshaw	Walkers SPV Limited P.O. Box 908GT Walker House, Mary Street George Town Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands	Employee of Walkers SPV Limited
John Cullinane	Walkers SPV Limited P.O. Box 908GT Walker House, Mary Street George Town Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands	Employee of Walkers SPV Limited
Derrie Boggess	Walkers SPV Limited P.O. Box 908GT Walker House, Mary Street George Town Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands	Employee of Walkers SPV Limited

The director of the Co-Issuer is Donald Puglisi. Mr. Puglisi is also the President, Secretary and Treasurer of the Co-Issuer. Mr. Puglisi is MBNA America Professor of Business Emeritus. Mr. Puglisi serves as a director of, and provides services to, a number of special purpose entities. He may be contacted at the address of the Co-Issuer.

## THE LOAN MARKET

A substantial portion, by principal amount, of the Collateral Obligations is expected to consist of corporate loans rated below investment grade extended to U.S. and other non-U.S. borrowers. Such loans are typically negotiated by one or more commercial banks or other financial institutions and syndicated among a group of commercial banks and financial institutions.

Corporate loans are typically at the most senior level of the capital structure, and are often secured by specific collateral, including but not limited to, trademarks, patents, accounts receivable, inventory, equipment, buildings, real estate, franchises and common and preferred stock of the obligor and its subsidiaries. Some loans may be unsecured, subordinated to other obligations of the obligor and may have greater credit and liquidity risk than is typically associated with senior secured corporate loans. The corporate loans expected to secure the Notes are of a type generally incurred by the borrowers thereunder in connection with a highly leveraged transaction, often to finance internal growth, acquisitions, mergers, stock purchases, or for other reasons. As a result of the additional debt incurred by the borrower in the course of the transactions, the borrower's creditworthiness is often judged by the rating agencies to be below investment grade. In order to induce the banks and institutional investors to invest in a borrower's loan facility, and to offer a favorable interest rate, the borrower often provides the banks and institutional investors with extensive information about its business, which is not generally available to the public. Because of the provision of confidential information, the unique and customized nature of a loan agreement, and the private syndication of the loan, loans are not as easily purchased or sold as a publicly traded security, and historically the trading volume in the loan market has been small relative to the high yield bond market.

Corporate loans often provide for restrictive covenants designed to limit the activities of the borrower in an effort to protect the right of lenders to receive timely payments of interest on and repayment of principal of the loans. Such covenants may include restrictions on dividend payments, specific mandatory minimum financial ratios, limits on total debt and other financial tests. A breach of covenant (after giving effect to any cure period) in a loan that is not waived by the lending syndicate normally is an event of acceleration that allows the syndicate to demand immediate repayment in full of the outstanding loan. Loans usually have shorter terms than more junior obligations and may require mandatory prepayments from excess cash flow, asset dispositions and offerings of debt and/or equity securities.

The majority of loans bear interest based on a floating rate index, e.g., LIBOR, the certificate of deposit rate, a prime or base rate (each as defined in the applicable loan agreement) or other index, which may reset daily (as most prime or base rate indices do) or offer the borrower a choice of one, two, three, six, nine or twelve month interest rate and rate reset periods. The purchaser of a loan may receive certain syndication or participation fees in connection with its purchase. Other fees payable in respect of a loan, which are separate from interest payments on such loan, may include facility, commitment, amendment and prepayment fees.

Purchasers of loans are predominantly investment and commercial banks, which have applied their experience in high yield securities to the commercial and industrial loan market, acting as both principal and broker. The range of investors for loans has broadened to include money managers, insurance companies, arbitrageurs, bankruptcy investors and mutual funds seeking increased potential total returns and portfolio managers of trusts or special purpose companies issuing collateralized bond and loan obligations. As secondary market trading volumes increase, new loans are frequently adopting more standardized documentation to facilitate loan trading that should improve market liquidity. There can be no assurance, however, that future levels or supply and demand in loan trading will provide the degree of liquidity that currently exists in the market.



## **THE HIGH YIELD DEBT SECURITIES MARKET**

A portion of the Collateral Obligations securing the Notes will consist of high yield debt securities rated below investment grade and Synthetic Securities, the Reference Obligations of which are high yield debt securities rated below investment grade. High yield debt securities are generally unsecured, may be subordinated to other obligations of the obligor and generally have greater credit and liquidity risk than is typically associated with investment grade corporate obligations. The lower rating of high yield debt securities reflects a greater possibility that adverse changes in the financial condition of the obligor or in general economic conditions (including a sustained period of rising interest rates or an economic downturn) may adversely affect the obligor's ability to pay principal and interest on its debt. Many issuers of high yield debt obligations are highly leveraged, and specific developments affecting such issuers, including reduced cash flow from operations or inability to refinance at maturity, may also adversely affect such issuers' ability to meet their debt service obligations.

High yield debt securities are often issued in connection with leveraged acquisitions or recapitalizations in which the issuers incur a substantially higher amount of indebtedness than the level at which they had previously operated. High yield debt securities have historically experienced greater default rates than has been the case for investment grade securities. Although several studies have been made of historical default rates in the high yield market, such studies do not necessarily provide a basis for drawing definitive conclusions with respect to default rates and, in any event, do not necessarily provide a basis for predicting future default rates.

## **INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS**

### **U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations**

#### **In General**

The following summary describes the principal U.S. federal income tax and Cayman Islands tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of the Securities. It does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all the tax considerations that may be relevant to a decision to purchase the Securities. In particular, special tax considerations that may apply to certain types of taxpayers, including securities dealers, banks and insurance companies, and investors purchasing Securities after the initial offering, are not addressed. In addition, this summary does not describe any tax consequences arising under the laws of any taxing jurisdiction other than the United States federal government and the Cayman Islands. In general, the summary assumes that a holder acquires a Security at original issuance (and, in the case of the Notes, at its issue price) and holds such Security as a capital asset and not as part of a hedge, straddle, or conversion transaction, within the meaning of section 1258 of the Code.

This summary is based on the U.S. and Cayman Islands tax laws, regulations, rulings and decisions in effect or available on the date of this Offering Memorandum, as well as the expected Cayman Islands undertaking described in “— Cayman Islands Tax Considerations.” All of the foregoing are subject to change, and any change may apply retroactively and could affect the continued validity of this summary, although it is expected that no changes will apply in the Cayman Islands due to the undertaking.

Prospective purchasers of the Securities should consult their own tax advisers as to U.S. federal income tax and Cayman Islands tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of the Securities, including the possible application of state, local, non-U.S. or other tax laws.

As used in this section, the term “U.S. Holder” means a beneficial owner of a Security who is, for U.S. federal tax purposes, a citizen or individual resident of the United States, a U.S. domestic corporation or partnership, any estate the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income tax regardless of the source

of its income or any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust.

### **IRS Circular 230 Notice**

To ensure compliance with Internal Revenue Service Circular 230, prospective investors are hereby notified that: (a) any discussion of U.S. federal tax issues contained or referred to in this Offering Memorandum or any document referred to herein is not intended or written to be used, and cannot be used, by prospective investors for the purpose of avoiding penalties that may be imposed on them under the Internal Revenue Code; (b) such discussion is written for use in connection with the promotion or marketing of the transactions or matters addressed herein; and (c) prospective purchasers should seek advice based on their particular circumstances from an independent tax advisor.

### **Tax Treatment of the Issuer**

*United States Federal Income Taxes.* The Issuer will be treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Except as otherwise described below under “— Potential U.S. Taxation of Net Income,” the Issuer intends to operate so as not to be subject to U.S. federal income taxes on its net income. The Issuer expects, based on an opinion it will receive from Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP, special U.S. federal income tax counsel to the Issuer, that it will conduct its affairs so that it will not be engaged in a trade or business within the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes, except to the extent it holds certain equity securities issued by non-corporate entities that are so engaged.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Issuer were engaged in a trade or business in the United States, it would potentially be subject to substantial U.S. federal taxes. The imposition of such taxes would materially affect the Issuer’s financial ability to repay the Notes and Class E Certificates and could materially affect the yield on the Notes and the return on the Class E Certificates.

With respect to Cayman Islands taxation, see the discussion below in “— Cayman Islands Tax Considerations.”

The remainder of this summary assumes that the opinion received by the Issuer from Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP is correct and that the Issuer will not be engaged in a trade or business within the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

*Potential U.S. Taxation of Net Income.* The Issuer may become the owner of a limited amount of equity securities that the issuers of Collateral Obligations distribute with respect to such Collateral Obligations. Such equity securities may be treated as stock of U.S. real property holding corporations or equity interests in partnerships that may be engaged in U.S. trades or businesses. Gain or loss realized by the Issuer on the disposition of stock of a U.S. real property holding corporation will be treated as if such gain or loss were effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business. In addition, the U.S. trade or business of a partnership in which the Issuer holds an equity interest may be attributed to the Issuer and the income derived from such equity interest may be effectively connected with such U.S. trade or business. Net income of the Issuer that is effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business will be potentially subject to substantial U.S. federal income taxation under sections 882(a) and 884 of the Code. In addition, holding such a partnership interest could cause the Issuer to be deemed to be “doing business” within a U.S. state or local taxing jurisdiction, or otherwise subject to U.S. state or local taxation. Any such U.S. federal, state or local taxation could affect the Issuer’s financial ability to repay the Notes.

*Withholding Taxes.* Although the Issuer does not intend to be subject to U.S. federal income tax with respect to its net income, income derived by the Issuer may be subject to withholding taxes imposed by the United States or other countries. In this regard and subject to certain exceptions, the Issuer may only acquire a particular Collateral Obligation if, at the time of commitment to purchase, either the payments

thereon (other than commitment and similar fees or dividends in respect of an equity security acquired in connection with the exercise of a warrant purchased as apart of a unit) are not subject to withholding tax or the issuer of the Collateral Obligation is required to make “gross-up” payments. Similarly, the Issuer may only enter into a Securities Lending Agreement in respect of any Collateral Obligations if the substitute interest payments received thereunder are not subject to withholding tax or the counterparty is required to make “gross-up” payments. However, there can be no assurance that income derived by the Issuer will not become subject to withholding tax as a result of a change in law, practice or interpretation. Any lending fees received under a Securities Lending Agreement may be subject to withholding tax, which would reduce the Issuer’s net income from engaging in such Securities Lending Agreement.

### **Tax Treatment of U.S. Holders of Notes**

*Status of, and Interest and Discount on, the Class A Notes.* The Class A Notes will be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes. U.S. Holders of Class A Notes will treat stated interest on the Class A Notes as ordinary interest when paid or accrued, in accordance with their tax method of accounting. In general, if the issue price of a Class A Note (the first price at which a substantial amount of the Class A Notes is sold to investors) is less than its principal amount by more than a *de minimis* amount, the Class A Note will be considered to have original issue discount (“**OID**”). If a U.S. Holder acquires a Class A Note with OID, then regardless of such holder’s method of accounting, the holder will be required to include such OID in income as it accrues under a constant yield method. Accruals of OID will be based on the projected weighted average life of the relevant Class of the Class A Notes rather than the Stated Maturity. In the case of the Class A Notes, accruals of OID, if any, should be calculated by assuming that interest will be paid over the life of the Class A Notes based on the value of LIBOR used in setting interest for the first Interest Period, and then adjusting the income for each subsequent Interest Period for any difference between the actual value of LIBOR used in setting interest for that subsequent Interest Period and the assumed rate.

*Status of, and Interest and Discount on, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes.* The Class B Notes and the Class C Notes (collectively, the “**Deferrable Interest Notes**”) will be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In general, the characterization of an instrument for such purposes as debt or equity by its issuer as of the time of issuance is binding on a holder but not the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (the “**IRS**”), unless the holder takes an inconsistent position and discloses such position in its tax return. Because payments of stated interest on the Deferrable Interest Notes are contingent on available funds and subject to deferral, the Deferrable Interest Notes will be treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as having OID. The total amount of such discount with respect to a Deferrable Interest Note will equal the sum of all payments to be received under such Note less its issue price (the first price at which a substantial amount of Deferrable Interest Notes of each Class were sold to investors). A U.S. Holder of Deferrable Interest Notes will be required to include OID in income as it accrues. The amount of OID accruing in any Interest Period will generally equal the stated interest accruing in that period (whether or not currently due) plus any additional amount representing the accrual under a constant yield method of any additional OID represented by the excess of the principal amount of the Deferrable Interest Notes over their issue price. Accruals of any such additional OID will be based on the projected weighted average life of the Deferrable Interest Notes rather than their stated maturity.

*Sale and Retirement of the Notes.* In general, a U.S. Holder of a Note will have a basis in such Note equal to the cost of such Note to such holder, increased by any amount includible in income by such holder as OID and reduced by any payments thereon other than, in the case of the Class A Notes only, payments of stated interest. Upon a sale or exchange of the Note, a U.S. Holder will generally recognize gain or loss equal to the difference between the amount realized (less any accrued interest, which would be taxable as such) and the holder’s tax basis in such Note. Such gain or loss will be long-term capital gain or loss if the U.S. Holder has held such Note for more than one year at the time of disposition. In certain circumstances, U.S. Holders that are individuals may be entitled to preferential treatment for net long-term capital gains. The ability of U.S. Holders to offset capital losses against ordinary income is limited.

A U.S. Holder that purchased its Note at a discount may also recognize gain upon receipt of a principal payment upon retirement (in whole or in part) equal to the difference between the amount received and the portion of its basis that is considered to be allocable to such payment. Such gain may be ordinary income.

*Extension of Stated Maturity.* As described in “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date” the Securities may be subject to one or more Maturity Extensions. Upon the Extension Effective Date of the second Maturity Extension, if any, and the Extension Effective Date of the fourth Maturity Extension, if any, it is likely that continuing Holders of Securities will be treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as exchanging their Securities for newly issued longer-term Securities (a “deemed exchange”). Such a deemed exchange should be treated as a recapitalization for U.S. federal income tax purposes and holders generally should not recognize gain or loss except to the extent of any Extension Buyout Bonus Payment. However, holders who purchased Securities at a discount could be required to accrue such discount as interest income on a current basis as OID. For information regarding OID on the Securities, holders may contact the Portfolio Manager at the address provided above.

*Amendment Buy-Out.* The existence or exercise of the buy-out right described under “Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out” may increase the likelihood that an amendment to the Indenture could cause a deemed exchange of a Security for U.S. federal income tax purposes. If such a deemed exchange were treated as a recapitalization, holders generally would not recognize gain or loss except to the extent of any cash received. However, holders who purchased Securities at a discount could be required as a consequence of the deemed exchange to accrue such discount as interest income on a current basis as OID. For information regarding OID on the Securities, holders may contact the Portfolio Manager at the address provided above.

### **Tax Treatment of U.S. Holders of Class E Certificates**

For purposes of Cayman Islands law, the Class E Certificates will be characterized as equity of the Issuer. The Issuer will treat the Class E Certificates as equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Except where otherwise indicated, this summary also assumes such treatment. No assurance can be given, however, that the IRS will respect this position. In general, the characterization of an instrument for such purposes as debt or equity by its issuer as of the time of issuance is binding on holders (but not the IRS) unless the holder takes an inconsistent position and discloses such position in its tax return.

In general, the timing and character of income under the Class E Certificates may differ substantially depending on whether the Class E Certificates are treated for federal income tax purposes as debt instruments or as equity of the Issuer. Investors should consider the tax consequences of an investment in the Class E Certificates under either possible characterization.

*Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company.* The Issuer will meet the income and asset tests so as to qualify as a “passive foreign investment company” (“**PFIC**”). In general, to avoid certain adverse tax rules described below that apply to deferred income from a PFIC, a U.S. Holder of Class E Certificates may want to make an election to treat the Issuer as a “qualified electing fund” (“**QEF**”) with respect to such holder. Generally, a QEF election should be made on or before the due date for filing a U.S. Holder’s federal income tax return for the first taxable year in which it held Class E Certificates. If a timely QEF election is made, an electing U.S. Holder of Class E Certificates will be required to include in its ordinary income such holder’s pro rata share of the Issuer’s ordinary earnings and to include in its long term capital gain income such holder’s pro rata share of the Issuer’s net capital gain, whether or not distributed, assuming that the Issuer is not a “controlled foreign corporation” as discussed below. Under Section 1293 of the Code, a U.S. Holder’s pro rata share of the Issuer’s ordinary income and net capital gain is the amount which would have been distributed with respect to such holder’s Class E Certificates if, on each day during the taxable year of the Issuer, the Issuer had distributed to each holder of Class E

Certificates a pro rata share of that day's ratable share of the Issuer's ordinary earnings and net capital gain for such year. In certain cases in which a QEF does not distribute all of its earnings in a taxable year, its U.S. shareholders may also be permitted to elect to defer payment of some or all of the taxes on the QEF's income but will then be subject to an interest charge on the deferred amount. Prospective purchasers of the Class E Certificates should be aware that the Collateral Obligations may be purchased by the Issuer with substantial original issue discount. As a result, the Issuer may have significant ordinary earnings from such instruments, but the receipt of cash attributable to such earnings may be deferred, perhaps for a substantial period of time. In addition, under certain circumstances, Interest Proceeds may be used to pay principal of the Notes. Thus, absent an election to defer the payment of taxes, U.S. Holders that make a QEF election may owe tax on a significant amount of "phantom" income.

The Issuer will provide, upon request, all information that a U.S. Holder of Class E Certificates making a QEF election is required to obtain for U.S. federal income tax purposes (*e.g.*, the U.S. Holder's pro rata share of ordinary income and net capital gain), will provide, upon request, a "PFIC Annual Information Statement" as described in Treasury Regulation section 1.1295-1 (or in any successor IRS release or Treasury regulation), including all representations and statements required by such statement, and will take any other steps it reasonably can to facilitate such election. The Issuer will also elect to calculate and report the amount and category of each type of long-term capital gain as provided in section 1(h) of the Code that was recognized by the Issuer with respect to each taxable year of the Issuer.

If a U.S. Holder of Class E Certificates does not make a timely QEF election for the year in which it acquired its Class E Certificates and the PFIC rules are otherwise applicable, such holder will be subject to a special tax at ordinary income tax rates on so-called "excess distributions," including both certain distributions from the Issuer and gain on the sale of Class E Certificates. The amount of income tax on excess distributions will be increased by an interest charge to compensate for tax deferral calculated as if excess distributions were earned ratably over the period the taxpayer held its Class E Certificates. In many cases, the tax on excess distributions will be more onerous than the taxes that would apply if a timely QEF election were made. Classification as a PFIC may also have other adverse tax consequences, including in the case of individuals, the denial of a "step up" in the basis of the Class E Certificates at death.

Where a QEF election is not timely made by a U.S. Holder of Class E Certificates for the year in which it acquired its Class E Certificates, but is made for a later year, the excess distribution rules can be avoided by making an election to recognize gain from a deemed sale of the Class E Certificates at the time when the QEF election becomes effective. U.S. Holders should consult with their tax counsel regarding the U.S. federal income tax consequences of investing in a PFIC and the desirability of making the QEF election.

**U.S. HOLDERS OF CLASS E CERTIFICATES SHOULD CONSIDER CAREFULLY WHETHER TO MAKE A QEF ELECTION WITH RESPECT TO THE CLASS E CERTIFICATES AND THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT MAKING SUCH AN ELECTION.**

*Investment in a Controlled Foreign Corporation.* Depending on the degree of ownership of the Class E Certificates by U.S. Shareholders (as defined below), the Issuer may be considered a controlled foreign corporation ("CFC"). In general, a foreign corporation will be a CFC if more than 50% of the shares of the corporation, measured by combined voting power or value, are held, directly or indirectly, by U.S. Shareholders. A "U.S. Shareholder" for this purpose is any U.S. person who owns or is treated as owning, under specified attribution rules, 10% or more of the combined voting power of all classes of shares of a corporation. It is possible that the IRS would assert that the Class E Certificates are voting securities and that U.S. Holders owning 10% or more of the Class E Certificates are U.S. Shareholders. If this argument were successful and more than 50% of the Class E Certificates were held by such U.S. Shareholders, the Issuer would be treated as a CFC.

If the Issuer were a CFC, subject to certain exceptions, a U.S. Shareholder of the Issuer at the end of a taxable year of the Issuer would be required to recognize ordinary income in an amount equal to that person's pro rata share of the "subpart F income" of the Issuer for the year. Among other items, and subject to certain exceptions, "subpart F income" includes interest, gains from the sale of securities and income from certain notional principal contracts (e.g., swaps and caps). It is likely that, if the Issuer were a CFC, substantially all of its income would be subpart F income. If more than 70% of the Issuer's income is subpart F income, then 100% of its income will be so treated.

If the Issuer were a CFC, a U.S. Shareholder of the Issuer would be taxable on the subpart F income of the Issuer under the CFC regime and not under the PFIC rules previously described. As a result, to the extent subpart F income of the Issuer includes net capital gains, such gains would be treated as ordinary income of the U.S. Shareholder, notwithstanding the fact that generally the character of such gains otherwise would be preserved under the PFIC rules if a QEF election were made. Also, the PFIC rule permitting the deferral of tax on undistributed earnings would not apply.

A holder of Class E Certificates that is a U.S. Shareholder of the Issuer subject to the CFC rules for only a portion of the time in which it holds Class E Certificates should consult its own tax advisers regarding the interaction of the PFIC and CFC rules.

*Indirect Interests in PFICs and CFCs.* If the Issuer holds a security of a non-U.S. corporation that is treated as equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes, holders of Class E Certificates could be treated as holding an indirect investment in a PFIC or a CFC. Prospective purchasers should consult their tax advisors regarding the issues relating to such investments.

*Distributions on Class E Certificates.* The treatment of actual cash distributions on the Class E Certificates, in very general terms, will vary depending on whether a U.S. Holder has made a timely QEF election as described above. See "— Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company." If a timely QEF election has been made, dividends (which are distributions up to the amount of current and accumulated earnings and profits of the Issuer) allocable to amounts previously taxed pursuant to the QEF election will not be taxable to U.S. Holders. Similarly, if the Issuer is a CFC of which the U.S. Holder is a U.S. Shareholder, dividends will be allocated first to amounts previously taxed pursuant to the CFC rules and to this extent will not be taxable to U.S. Holders. Dividends in excess of such previously taxed amounts will be taxable to U.S. Holders as ordinary income upon receipt. Distributions in excess of any current and accumulated earnings and profits will be treated first as a nontaxable return of capital, to the extent of the holder's tax basis in the Class E Certificates, and then as capital gain. The distributions on the Class E Certificates do not qualify for the benefit of the reduced U.S. tax rate applicable to certain dividends received by individuals.

In the event that a U.S. Holder of Class E Certificates does not make a timely QEF election, then except to the extent that distributions may be attributable to amounts previously taxed pursuant to the CFC rules, some or all of any dividends distributed with respect to the Class E Certificates may be considered excess distributions, taxable as previously described. See "— Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company."

*Sale, Redemption or other Disposition of Class E Certificates.* In general, a U.S. Holder of Class E Certificates will recognize gain or loss (which will be capital gain or loss, except as discussed below) upon the sale or exchange of Class E Certificates equal to the difference between the amount realized and such holder's adjusted tax basis in the Class E Certificates. A U.S. Holder's tax basis in Class E Certificates will generally equal the amount it paid for the Class E Certificates, increased by amounts taxable to such holder by virtue of a QEF election, or under the CFC rules, and decreased by actual distributions from the Issuer that are deemed to consist of such previously taxed amounts or represent a return of capital.

If a U.S. Holder does not make a timely QEF election as described above and the PFIC rules are otherwise applicable, any gain realized on the sale or exchange of Class E Certificates will be treated as an excess distribution and effectively taxed as ordinary income with an interest charge under the special tax rules described above. See “— Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company.”

If the Issuer were treated as a CFC and a U.S. Holder were treated as a U.S. Shareholder therein, then any gain realized by such holder upon the disposition of Class E Certificates, other than gain constituting an excess distribution under the PFIC rules, would be treated as ordinary income to the extent of the U.S. Holder’s share of the current and accumulated earnings and profits of the Issuer. In this respect, earnings and profits would not include any amounts previously taxed pursuant to a QEF election or pursuant to the CFC rules. The pledge of stock of a PFIC may in some circumstances be treated as a disposition of such stock.

### **Tax Treatment of U.S. Holders of Class Q-1 Securities and Class P Securities**

For U.S. federal income tax purposes, each holder of a Class Q-1 Security or a Class P Security (together, the “Combination Securities”) will be treated as if it directly owned the corresponding components of such Combination Security. In calculating its basis in each of the components, a holder will be required to allocate the purchase price paid for its Combination Security among the components in proportion to their relative fair market values at the time of purchase. A similar principle would apply in determining the amount allocable to each component upon a sale. The exchange of a Combination Security for its corresponding components will not be a taxable event. A holder of a Combination Security should review the applicable discussion above and below to determine the tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of such components that are Securities. Because the Class P U.S. Treasury Components consist of zero coupon U.S. Treasury securities, the Class P U.S. Treasury Components will be treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as having OID. Accordingly, a U.S. Holder of Class P Securities, or U.S. Treasury securities exchanged therefor, will be required to include OID in income as it accrues. A holder of a Class P Security should consult its tax advisor with respect to the tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component.

### **Tax Treatment of Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders**

In general, a tax-exempt U.S. Holder of Notes will not be subject to tax on unrelated business taxable income (“UBTI”) with respect to the income from the Notes regardless of whether they are treated as equity or debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes, except to the extent that the Notes are considered debt-financed property (as defined in the Code) of that entity. A tax-exempt U.S. Holder that owns more than 50% of the outstanding Class E Certificates and also owns Notes should consider the possible application of the special UBTI rules for amounts received from controlled entities.

A tax-exempt entity may not make a QEF election if the tax-exempt entity would not otherwise be subject to tax on income from the Class E Certificates.

### **Tax Treatment of Non-U.S. Holders of the Notes and Class E Certificates**

Payments on the Notes and Class E Certificates to a non-U.S. Holder, or gain realized on the sale, exchange or redemption of such Notes or Class E Certificates by such holder, will not be subject to U.S. federal income or withholding tax, as the case may be, unless such income is effectively connected with a trade or business conducted by such non-U.S. Holder in the United States, or, in the case of gain, such holder is a nonresident alien individual who holds the Notes or Class E Certificates as a capital asset and who is present in the United States more than 182 days in the taxable year of the sale, exchange or redemption and certain other conditions are met. A non-U.S. Holder will not be considered to be engaged in a U.S. trade or business solely by reason of holding Notes or Class E Certificates. “Non-effectively connected” gain or distributions received by a non-U.S. Holder will not be subject to information

reporting requirements or U.S. back-up withholding, although such holders generally will be required to furnish a certificate to the paying agent of the Issuer attesting to their status as non-U.S. Holders.

### **Information Reporting and Backup Withholding**

Information reporting to the IRS generally will be required with respect to payments on the Securities and proceeds of the sale of the Securities to holders other than corporations or other exempt recipients. A “backup” withholding tax will apply to those payments if such holder fails to provide certain identifying information (such as such holder’s taxpayer identification number) to the Trustee or other paying agent. Non-U.S. Holders generally will be required to comply with applicable certification procedures to establish that they are not U.S. Holders in order to avoid the application of such information reporting requirements and backup withholding.

### **Transfer Reporting Requirements**

Treasury regulations require reporting for certain transfers of property (including cash) to a foreign corporation by U.S. persons or entities. In general, these rules require any U.S. Holders who acquire Class E Certificates to file a Form 926 with the IRS and to supply certain additional information to the IRS. In the event a U.S. Holder fails to file any such required form, the U.S. Holder could be subject to a penalty equal to 10% of the gross amount paid for the Class E Certificates, subject to a maximum penalty of \$100,000 (except in cases involving intentional disregard). Holders of Notes who also purchase Class E Certificates should consult their tax advisers regarding these reporting requirements.

In addition, the Code and related Treasury regulations require that any U.S. Holder that directly or indirectly owns a significant portion of the voting power or value of the Issuer’s equity (generally 10%, but in some cases 50%) must comply with certain reporting requirements. While it is unclear how the voting power of the Class E Certificates would be measured for this purpose, a U.S. Holder that owns less than 10% (or 50%, as applicable) of the Class E Certificates generally should not be required to file this return. In general, such holders of the applicable percentage of the voting power or value of the Issuer’s equity are required to file a Form 5471 with the IRS and to supply certain information to the IRS, including with respect to the activities and assets of the Issuer and other holders of the Class E Certificates. If a U.S. Holder fails to comply with the reporting requirements, the U.S. Holder may be subject to a penalty, depending on the circumstances, equal to (a) U.S. \$1,000 for each failure to comply or (b) U.S. \$10,000 for each failure to comply, subject to a maximum of U.S. \$60,000. Purchasers of Class E Certificates are urged to consult their tax advisors regarding these reporting requirements.

### **Cayman Islands Tax Considerations**

The following discussion of certain Cayman Islands income tax consequences of an investment in the Securities is based on the advice of Walkers as to Cayman Islands law. The discussion is a general summary of present law, which is subject to prospective and retroactive change. It assumes that the Issuer will conduct its affairs in accordance with assumptions made by, and representations made to, counsel. It is not intended as tax advice, does not consider any investor’s particular circumstances, and does not consider tax consequences other than those arising under Cayman Islands law.



Under existing Cayman Islands laws:

(i) payments of principal and interest on the Notes and dividends and capital in respect of the Class E Certificates will not be subject to taxation in the Cayman Islands and no withholding will be required on such payments to any Holder of a Security and gains derived from the sale of Securities will not be subject to Cayman Islands income or corporation tax. The Cayman Islands currently have no income, corporation or capital gains tax and no estate duty, inheritance tax or gift tax;

(ii) no stamp duty is payable in respect of the issue or transfer of Securities although duty may be payable if Notes are executed in or brought into the Cayman Islands; and

(iii) certificates evidencing Securities, in registered form, to which title is not transferable by delivery, should not attract Cayman Islands stamp duty. However, an instrument transferring title to a Note, if brought to or executed in the Cayman Islands, would be subject to Cayman Islands stamp duty.

The Issuer has been incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands as an exempted company and, as such, has applied for and obtained an undertaking from the Governor in Cabinet of the Cayman Islands in substantially the following form:

“THE TAX CONCESSIONS LAW  
(1999 REVISION)  
UNDERTAKING AS TO TAX CONCESSIONS

In accordance with Section 6 of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision) the Governor in Cabinet undertakes with:

Liberty CLO, Ltd. “the Company”

- (a) that no Law which is hereafter enacted in the Islands imposing any tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations shall apply to the Company or its operations; and
- (b) in addition, that no tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations or which is in the nature of estate duty or inheritance tax shall be payable
  - (i) on or in respect of the shares, debentures or other obligations of the Company; or
  - (ii) by way of the withholding in whole or in part of any relevant payment as defined in Section 6(3) of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision).

These concessions shall be for a period of TWENTY years from the 9th day of August, 2005.

GOVERNOR IN CABINET”

The Cayman Islands does not have an income tax treaty arrangement with the U.S. or any other country.

THE PRECEDING DISCUSSION IS ONLY A SUMMARY OF CERTAIN OF THE TAX IMPLICATIONS OF AN INVESTMENT IN THE SECURITIES. PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS ARE URGED TO CONSULT WITH THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS PRIOR TO INVESTING TO DETERMINE THE TAX IMPLICATIONS OF SUCH INVESTMENT IN LIGHT OF SUCH INVESTORS’ CIRCUMSTANCES.

## ERISA CONSIDERATIONS

The U.S. Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”), imposes certain requirements on “employee benefit plans” (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) subject to Title I of ERISA, including entities such as collective investment funds and separate accounts whose underlying assets include the assets of such plans (collectively, “**ERISA Plans**”), and on those persons who are fiduciaries with respect to ERISA Plans. Investments by ERISA Plans are subject to ERISA’s general fiduciary requirements, including the requirement of investment prudence and diversification and the requirement that an ERISA Plan’s investments be made in accordance with the documents governing the ERISA Plan. The prudence of a particular investment must be determined by the responsible fiduciary of an ERISA Plan by taking into account the ERISA Plan’s particular circumstances and all of the facts and circumstances of the investment including, but not limited to, the matters discussed above under “Risk Factors” and the fact that in the future there may be no market in which such fiduciary will be able to sell or otherwise dispose of any Notes it may purchase.

Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code prohibit certain transactions involving the assets of an ERISA Plan (as well as those plans that are not subject to ERISA but which are subject to Section 4975 of the Code, such as individual retirement accounts, including entities whose underlying assets include the assets of such plans (together with ERISA Plans, “**Plans**”)) and certain persons (referred to as “parties in interest” or “disqualified persons”) having certain relationships to such Plans, unless a statutory or administrative exemption is applicable to the transaction. A party in interest or disqualified person who engages in a prohibited transaction may be subject to excise taxes and other penalties and liabilities under ERISA and the Code. In addition, the fiduciary of the Plan that engaged in such a non-exempt prohibited transaction may be subject to penalties and liabilities under ERISA and/or the Code.

Governmental plans, certain church plans and non-U.S. plans, while not subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA or the provisions of Section 4975 of the Code, may nevertheless be subject to local, state or other federal laws or non-U.S. laws that are substantially similar to the foregoing provisions of ERISA and the Code (“**Similar Laws**”). Fiduciaries of any such plans should consult with their counsel before purchasing any Securities.

The Notes should not be considered to be “equity interests” in the Issuer, but the Class E Certificates will constitute “equity interests” in the Issuer and the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities may constitute “equity interests” in the Issuer, for purposes of the U.S. Department of Labor’s plan asset regulation, 29 CFR Section 2510.3-101 (the “**Plan Asset Regulation**”), describing what constitutes the assets of a Plan with respect to the Plan’s investment in an entity for purposes of certain provisions of ERISA, including the fiduciary responsibility provisions of Title I of ERISA, and Section 4975 of the Code. In light of the foregoing, the Class E Certificates, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities may not be purchased or held by, with the assets of or on behalf of, any Plan. Each initial purchaser and each subsequent transferee of Certificated Class E Certificates, Certificated Class Q-1 Securities and Certificated Class P Securities will be required to represent and warrant, and each initial purchaser and subsequent transferee of Class E Certificates, Class Q-1 Securities and Class P Securities represented by Temporary Regulation S Global Securities or Regulation S Global Securities by its acquisition thereof will be deemed to represent and warrant, that (a) it is not, and while it holds any Class E Certificates, Class Q-1 Securities or Class P Securities will not be, a Plan or acting on behalf of, or using assets of, a Plan, (b) if it is a governmental plan (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA) or a non-US plan (as described in Section 4(b)(4) of ERISA), its purchase, holding and subsequent transfer of the Class E Certificates, Class Q-1 Securities or Class P Securities will not result in a violation of any applicable laws, rules, regulations, policies and guidelines to which it and its investments are subject and (c) it and any person causing it to acquire any Class E Certificates, Class Q-1 Securities or Class P Securities agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, Co-Issuer, Portfolio Manager, Trustee, Collateral Administrator, Placement Agent and Initial Purchaser and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of any of the foregoing representations being or

becoming false. Any attempted acquisition by or transfer to a Plan of Class E Certificates, Class Q-1 Securities or Class P Securities shall be void and shall not bind the Issuer.

Additionally, prohibited transactions within the meaning of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code may arise if Notes are acquired by a Plan with respect to which the Issuer, Co-Issuer, Portfolio Manager, Trustee, Collateral Administrator, Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, Extension Qualifying Purchaser, Placement Agent or Initial Purchaser, or any of their respective Affiliates, is a party in interest or a disqualified person. Certain exemptions from the prohibited transaction provisions of Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code may be applicable, however, depending in part on the type of Plan fiduciary making the decision to acquire an interest in a Note and the circumstances under which such decision is made. Included among these exemptions are Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption (“PTCE”) 96-23 (relating to transactions directed by an in-house asset manager); PTCE 95-60 (relating to transactions involving insurance company general accounts); PTCE 91-38 (relating to investments by bank collective investment funds); PTCE 90-1 (relating to investments by insurance company pooled separate accounts); and PTCE 84-14 (relating to transactions effected by a qualified professional asset manager). There can be no assurance that any of these class exemptions or any other exemption will be available with respect to any particular transaction involving the Notes.

BY ITS PURCHASE OF ANY NOTE, THE PURCHASER THEREOF WILL REPRESENT AND WARRANT, OR WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE REPRESENTED AND WARRANTED, ON EACH DAY FROM THE DATE ON WHICH THE PURCHASER ACQUIRES ITS INTEREST IN SUCH NOTE THROUGH AND INCLUDING THE DATE ON WHICH THE PURCHASER DISPOSES OF ITS INTEREST IN SUCH NOTE, EITHER THAT (A) IT IS NOT, AND IS NOT USING THE ASSETS OF, A PLAN, AN ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE THE ASSETS OF A PLAN BY REASON OF U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR REGULATION SECTION 2510.3-101 OR OTHERWISE, OR A PLAN WHICH IS SUBJECT TO SIMILAR LAWS OR (B) ITS PURCHASE, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF SUCH SECURITY WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE (OR A VIOLATION OF ANY APPLICABLE SIMILAR LAWS) FOR WHICH AN EXEMPTION IS NOT AVAILABLE, ALL THE CONDITIONS OF WHICH ARE SATISFIED.

Any plan fiduciary that proposes to cause a plan to purchase an interest in any Securities should consult with its counsel regarding the applicability of the fiduciary responsibility and prohibited transaction provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code (or applicable Similar Laws) to such an investment, and to confirm that such investment will not constitute or result in a prohibited transaction or any other violation of an applicable requirement of ERISA, the Code or other applicable law.

The sale of interests in any Securities to a plan is in no respect a representation by the Issuer, Initial Purchaser, Placement Agent, Portfolio Manager, Trustee, Collateral Administrator, Revolving Note Agent or the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent that such an investment meets all relevant legal requirements with respect to investments by plans generally or any particular plan, or that such an investment is appropriate for plans generally or any plan.

### PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

The Notes (other than the Class A-1A Notes and the Class A-1B Notes), the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities are being offered by Citigroup Global Markets Inc. (in such capacity, the “**Initial Purchaser**”) pursuant to a purchase agreement with the Co-Issuers (the “**Purchase Agreement**”). The Class E Certificates (other than the Class E Certificate Components) are being offered by the Issuer through Citigroup Global Markets Inc. (in such capacity, the “**Placement Agent**”) pursuant to a placement agency agreement with the Issuer (the “**Placement Agency Agreement**”). The Securities will be sold to prospective purchasers from time to time in individually negotiated transactions at varying prices to be determined in each case at the time of sale. The Indenture Securities will be offered within the United States to Qualified Purchasers that are also Qualified Institutional Buyers. The Class E

Certificates will be offered within the United States to persons that are both (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers or Accredited Investors and (ii) Qualified Purchasers or Knowledgeable Employees. The Securities will be offered outside the United States in reliance on Regulation S. See “Purchase and Transfer Restrictions.”

The Purchase Agreement provides that the obligation of the Initial Purchaser to purchase such Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities is subject to approval of legal matters by counsel and to other conditions. The Initial Purchaser must purchase all such Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities if it purchases any of such Securities.

In connection with sales outside the United States, with respect to such Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities, the Initial Purchaser and with respect to the Class E Certificates, the Placement Agent have agreed that, except as permitted by the Purchase Agreement or the Placement Agency Agreement, as the case may be, they will not offer or sell such Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities, Class P Securities or the Class E Certificates within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S) (i) as part of its distribution at any time or (ii) otherwise (a) with respect to the Notes, until 40 days after the later of the commencement of the offering and the Closing Date, and it will have sent to each dealer to which it sells Notes during the 40-day restricted period and (b) with respect to the Class E Certificates, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities, until one year after the later of the commencement of the offering and the Closing Date, and it will have sent to each dealer to which it sells Class E Certificates, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities during the one year restricted period, in each case, a confirmation or other notice setting forth the restrictions on offers and sales of the Securities within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S). In addition, until 40 days (with respect to the Notes) and one year (with respect to the Class E Certificates, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities) after the commencement of this offering, an offer or sale of Notes or the Class E Certificates or the Class Q-1 Securities or the Class P Securities, as applicable, within the United States by a dealer that is not participating in this offering may violate the registration requirements of the Securities Act if that offer or sale is made otherwise than in accordance with Rule 144A (or, in the case of the Class E Certificates, another exemption from registration under the Securities Act).

No action is being taken or is contemplated by the Co-Issuers that would permit a public offering of the Securities or possession or distribution of this Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof, any supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Co-Issuers or the Securities in any jurisdiction where, or in any other circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required.

The Initial Purchaser and the Placement Agent or their respective Affiliates may have had in the past and may in the future have business relationships and dealings with one or more obligors of Collateral Obligations and their Affiliates and may own equity or debt securities issued by such entities or their Affiliates. The Initial Purchaser and the Placement Agent or their respective Affiliates may have provided and may in the future provide investment banking services to an obligor of Collateral Obligations or its Affiliates and may have received or may receive compensation for such services.

The Co-Issuers have agreed to indemnify the Initial Purchaser against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, and have agreed to contribute to payments that the Initial Purchaser may be required to make in respect thereof.

The Issuer has agreed to indemnify the Placement Agent against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, and has agreed to contribute to payments that the Placement Agent may be required to make in respect thereof.

The Securities are offered when, as and if issued, subject to prior sale or withdrawal, cancellation or modification of the offer without notice and subject to approval of certain legal matters by counsel and certain other conditions.

The Securities will constitute new classes of securities with no established trading market. Such a market may or may not develop, but the Initial Purchaser and the Placement Agent are not under any obligation to make such a market, and if they do make such a market they may discontinue any market-making activities with respect to the Securities at any time without notice. In addition, market-making activity will be subject to the limits imposed by the Securities Act and the Exchange Act. Accordingly, no assurances can be made as to the liquidity of or the trading market for the Securities.

Citigroup Global Markets Inc. may be contacted at 390 Greenwich Street, New York, New York 10013, Attention: Global Structured Credit Product Group.

An affiliate of the Placement Agent provided warehouse financing to the Issuer to enable it to acquire Collateral Obligations prior to the Closing Date and will be repaid out of the proceeds of the sale of the Securities.

## **SETTLEMENT AND CLEARING**

### **Book Entry Registration of the Global Securities**

So long as the Depositary, or its nominee, is the registered owner or Holder of a Global Security, the Depositary or the nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the sole owner or Holder of the Securities represented by a Global Security for all purposes under the Indenture, the Class E Certificate Documents, the Issuer Charter, and the Global Securities, and members of, or participants in, the Depositary as well as any other persons on whose behalf the participants may act (including Clearstream and Euroclear and account holders and participants therein) will have no rights under the Indenture or a Global Security. Owners of beneficial interests in a Global Security will not be considered to be owners or Holders of the related Security under the Indenture or the Class E Certificate Documents, except in limited circumstances described in the Indenture and the Class E Certificate Documents. Unless the Depositary notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depositary for a Global Security or ceases to be a “clearing agency” registered under the Exchange Act or in certain other limited cases as set forth in the Indenture and the Class E Certificate Documents, owners of a beneficial interest in a Global Security will not be entitled to have any portion of a Global Security registered in their names, will not receive or be entitled to receive physical delivery of Securities in certificated form and will not be considered to be the Holders of any Securities under the Indenture and the Class E Certificate Documents. In addition, no beneficial owner of an interest in a Global Security will be able to transfer that interest except in accordance with the Depositary’s applicable procedures (in addition to those under the Indenture and the Class E Certificate Documents, and, if applicable, those of Euroclear and Clearstream).

Investors may hold their interests in a Regulation S Global Security directly through Clearstream or Euroclear, if they are participants in Clearstream or Euroclear, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in Clearstream or Euroclear. Clearstream and Euroclear will hold interests in the Regulation S Global Securities on behalf of their participants through their respective depositories, which in turn will hold the interests in Regulation S Global Securities and Regulation S Global Securities in customers’ securities accounts in the depositories’ names on the books of the Depositary. Investors may hold their interests in a Rule 144A Global Note directly through the Depositary if they are participants in the Depositary, or in directly through organizations that are participants in the Depositary.

Payments of principal of, or interest or other distributions on a Global Security will be made to the Depositary or its nominee, as the registered owner thereof. The Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the paying agents, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager and their respective Affiliates will not have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests in a Global Security or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to the beneficial ownership interests.

The Co-Issuers expect that the Depositary or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment of principal, interest, or other distributions in respect of a Global Security representing any Securities, held by it or its nominee, will immediately credit participants’ accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the stated aggregate principal amount or number of a Global Security for the Securities, as shown on the records of the Depositary or its nominee. The Co-Issuer also expect that payments by participants to owners of beneficial interests in a Global Security held through the participants will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers registered in the names of nominees for those customers. The payments will be the responsibility of the participants.

### **Global Security Settlement Procedures**

Transfers between the participants in the Depositary will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with the Depositary rules and will be settled in immediately available funds. The laws of some states require that certain persons take physical delivery of securities in definitive form.

Consequently, the ability to transfer beneficial interests in a Global Security to these persons may be limited. Because the Depositary can only act on behalf of participants, who in turn act on behalf of indirect participants and certain banks, the ability of a person holding a beneficial interest in a Global Security to pledge its interest to persons or entities that do not participate in the Depositary system, or otherwise take actions in respect of its interest, may be affected by the lack of a physical certificate of the interest. Transfers between participants in Euroclear and Clearstream will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with their respective rules and operating procedures.

Subject to compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Securities described above and under “Transfer Restrictions,” cross-market transfers between the Depositary, on the one hand, and directly or indirectly through Euroclear or Clearstream participants, on the other, will be effected in the Depositary in accordance with the Depositary rules on behalf of Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, by its respective depositary; *however*, the cross-market transactions will require delivery of instructions to Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, by the counterparty in the system in accordance with its rules and procedures and within its established deadlines (Brussels time). Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, will if the transaction meets its settlement requirements, deliver instructions to its respective depositary to take action to effect final settlement on its behalf by delivering or receiving interests in a Note represented by a Regulation S Global Security in the Depositary and making or receiving payment in accordance with normal procedures for same-day funds settlement applicable to the Depositary. Clearstream participants and Euroclear participants may not deliver instructions directly to the depositories of Clearstream or Euroclear.

Because of time zone differences, cash received in Euroclear or Clearstream as a result of sales of interests in a Regulation S Global Security by or through a Euroclear or Clearstream participant to the Depositary participant will be received with value on the Depositary settlement date but will be available in the relevant Euroclear or Clearstream cash account only as of the business day following settlement in the Depositary.

The Depositary has advised the Issuer that it will take any action permitted to be taken by a Holder of Securities (including the presentation of Securities for exchange as described above) only at the direction of one or more participants in the Depositary to whose account with the Depositary interests in the Securities are credited and only in respect of the portion of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities as to which the participant or participants has or have given the direction.

The Depositary has advised the Issuer as follows: The Depositary is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a “banking organization” within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a “clearing corporation” within the meaning of the UCC and a “Clearing Agency” registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. The Depositary was created to hold securities for its participants and facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of its participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates. Participants in the Depositary include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations and may include certain other organizations. Indirect access to the Depositary system is available to others such as banks, brokers, dealers, and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a participant, either directly or indirectly.

Although the Depositary, Clearstream and Euroclear have agreed to the foregoing procedures to facilitate transfers of interests in Regulation S Global Securities among participants of the Depositary, Clearstream and Euroclear, they are under no obligation to perform or continue to perform the procedures, and the procedures may be discontinued at any time. None of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent will have any responsibility for the performance by the Depositary, Clearstream, or Euroclear or their respective participants or indirect participants of their respective obligations under the rules and procedures governing their operations.

## TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS

The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or any state “Blue Sky” laws or the securities laws of any other jurisdiction and, accordingly, may not be reoffered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred except in accordance with the restrictions set forth in the Indenture and described under “*Notices to Purchasers*” and below.

Without limiting the foregoing, by holding a Security, each Holder of Securities will acknowledge and agree, among other things, that such Holder of Securities understands that neither of the Co-Issuers is registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act, but that the Issuer claims exemption from registration as such by virtue of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act. In general terms, Section 3(c)(7) excepts from the provisions of the Investment Company Act those non-U.S. issuers (i) whose investors residing in the United States are Qualified Purchasers and (ii) which do not make a public offering of their securities in the United States. In general terms, Qualified Purchaser is defined to mean, among other things, (i) natural persons who own not less than U.S. \$5,000,000 in “investments”; (ii) a company that owns not less than U.S. \$5,000,000 in “investments” and that is owned directly or indirectly by or for two or more natural persons who are related as siblings or spouses (including former spouses), or direct lineal descendants by birth or adoption, spouses of such persons, the estates of such persons, or foundations, charitable organizations, or trusts established by or for the benefit of such persons; (iii) certain trusts that were not formed for the specific purposes of acquiring the securities offered, as to which the trustee or other person authorized to make decisions with respect to the trust, and each settlor or other person who has contributed assets to the trust, is a qualified purchaser (other than certain trusts); and (iv) any person, acting for its own account or the accounts of other qualified purchasers, who in the aggregate owns and invests on a discretionary basis, not less than U.S. \$25,000,000 in “investments.” For purposes of the definition of “qualified purchaser,” “investments” has the meaning given such term in Rule 270.2a51-1 under the Investment Company Act. See “Risk Factors— Non-Compliance with Restrictions on Ownership of the Securities under the United States Investment Company Act of 1940 Could Adversely Affect the Issuer.”

The Indenture permits the Issuer to require that any person that acquired or is holding Securities in violation of the provisions of the Indenture sell such Securities to a permitted holder thereof in accordance with the Indenture, and if such person fails to do so, the Issuer will have the right to sell such person’s Notes to a permitted holder.

### The Notes

#### Legend

Unless determined otherwise by the Co-Issuers in accordance with applicable law and so long as any Class of Notes is outstanding, the Notes will bear a legend substantially as set forth below:

“THIS NOTE HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “SECURITIES ACT”), ANY STATE SECURITIES LAWS IN THE UNITED STATES OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY OTHER JURISDICTION AND THE CO-ISSUERS HAVE NOT REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT”). THE HOLDER HEREOF, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF THIS NOTE, REPRESENTS THAT IT HAS OBTAINED THIS NOTE IN A TRANSACTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT, THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT AND ALL OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OR ANY OTHER JURISDICTION, AND THE RESTRICTIONS ON SALE AND TRANSFER SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. THE HOLDER HEREOF, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF THIS NOTE, FURTHER



REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT REOFFER, RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER THIS NOTE (OR ANY INTEREST HEREIN) EXCEPT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT, THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT AND ALL OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS OF ANY JURISDICTION AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CERTIFICATIONS AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS SPECIFIED IN THE INDENTURE REFERRED TO HEREIN (A) TO A TRANSFEREE (1) THAT IS A “QUALIFIED PURCHASER” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT, (2) THAT (i) WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE NOTES, (ii) HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS IF THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (iii) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN U.S. \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS, (iv) IS NOT A PARTNERSHIP, COMMON TRUST FUND, SPECIAL TRUST, PENSION, PROFIT SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS, AS APPLICABLE, MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENTS TO BE MADE, (v) IS ACQUIRING ITS NOTES IN A TRANSACTION THAT MAY BE EFFECTED WITHOUT LOSS OF ANY APPLICABLE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT EXEMPTION AND (vi) AGREES TO PROVIDE NOTICE TO ANY SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS APPLICABLE TO THIS NOTE PROVIDED IN THIS LEGEND AND THE INDENTURE AND (3) THAT IS A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A “QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER” AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A “QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER” IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, OR (B) TO A TRANSFEREE THAT IS NOT A U.S. PERSON (AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT) AND IS ACQUIRING THIS NOTE IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, AND, IN THE CASE OF BOTH CLAUSES (A) AND (B), IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN THE APPLICABLE MINIMUM DENOMINATION.

EACH PURCHASER OR TRANSFEREE OF THIS NOTE WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE OR DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE OR AN EXHIBIT THERETO.

THIS NOTE IS TRANSFERABLE ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS DESCRIBED HEREIN. ANY SALE OR TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID *AB INITIO*, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE CO-ISSUERS, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THIS NOTE OR ANY INTEREST HEREIN AGREES TO PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH HEREIN AND IN THE INDENTURE TO THE TRANSFEREE. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO COMPEL THE RESALE

OF ANY INTEREST IN THIS NOTE PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO OR HELD BY ANY NON-PERMITTED HOLDER IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE INDENTURE.

THE STATED MAUTRITY OF THIS NOTE IS SUBJECT TO EXTENSION AS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. IN ADDITION, A HOLDER MAY BE REQUIRED TO SELL ITS INTEREST IN THIS NOTE AS PROVIDED IN THE INDENTURE IF IT DOES NOT CONSENT TO CERTAIN AMENDMENTS TO THE INDENTURE.

[Add for Notes other than the Class A Notes: THIS NOTE HAS BEEN ISSUED WITH ORIGINAL ISSUE DISCOUNT FOR U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES. FOR INFORMATION ABOUT THE ISSUE PRICE, THE AMOUNT OF OID, THE ISSUE DATE AND THE YIELD TO MATURITY OF THE NOTE, PLEASE CONTACT THE TRUSTEE AT 600 TRAVIS STREET, 50TH FLOOR, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77002, TELECOPY NO (713) 216-2101, ATTENTION: WORLDWIDE SECURITY SERVICES--LIBERTY CLO, LTD.]

FURTHER, NO SALE OR TRANSFER OF THIS NOTE (OR ANY INTEREST HEREIN) MAY BE MADE UNLESS SUCH SALE OR TRANSFER WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF THE U.S. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA"), SECTION 4975 OF THE U.S. INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE"), OR, IN THE CASE OF A GOVERNMENTAL, FOREIGN, CHURCH OR OTHER PLAN, ANY SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL OR OTHER LAW, FOR WHICH AN EXEMPTION IS NOT AVAILABLE, ALL OF THE CONDITIONS OF WHICH ARE SATISFIED.

[Add for Notes other than Class A-1A Notes and the Class A-1B Notes: UNLESS THIS NOTE IS PRESENTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC TO THE TRUSTEE OR ITS AGENTS FOR REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER, EXCHANGE, OR PAYMENT, AND ANY NOTE ISSUED IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF CEDE & CO. OR IN SUCH OTHER NAME AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC (AND ANY PAYMENT IS MADE TO CEDE & CO OR TO SUCH OTHER ENTITY AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC), ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE, OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL INASMUCH AS THE REGISTERED OWNER HEREOF, CEDE & CO., HAS AN INTEREST HEREIN."]

#### **Transferees of Interests in Rule 144A Global Notes**

Each initial purchaser and subsequent transferee who is purchasing an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will be deemed to have represented and agreed as follows:

1. It (a) is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is acquiring the Notes in reliance on the exemption from Securities Act registration provided by Rule 144A thereunder, (b) is a Qualified Purchaser and (c) understands the Notes will bear the legend set forth above and be represented by one or more Rule 144A Global Notes. In addition, it represents and warrants that it (i) was not formed for the purpose of investing in the Notes, (ii) has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners if the purchaser is a private

investment company formed before April 30, 1996, (iii) is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than U.S. \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (iv) is not a partnership, common trust fund, special trust, pension, profit sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants, as applicable, may designate the particular investments to be made, (v) is acquiring its Notes in a transaction that may be effected without loss of any applicable Investment Company Act exemption, (vi) will provide notice to any subsequent transferee of the transfer restrictions applicable to such Notes under the Indenture or provided in the legend of such Notes, (vii) will hold and transfer its beneficial interest in any Note only in a principal amount of not less than the applicable minimum denomination and (viii) will provide the Issuer from time to time such information as it may reasonably request in order to ascertain compliance with this paragraph 1.

2. The Notes are being purchased or transferred in accordance with the transfer restrictions set forth in the Indenture and pursuant to an exemption from Securities Act registration, and in accordance with applicable state securities laws or securities laws of any other relevant jurisdiction. It understands that the Notes have been offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or the securities laws of any states, and, if in the future it decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Notes, such Notes may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with an exemption from registration under such laws and pursuant to the provisions of the Indenture and the legend on such Notes. In particular, it understands that interests in the Notes may be transferred only to (a) a Qualified Purchaser that is a Qualified Institutional Buyer or (b) a person that is not a "U.S. person" as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Purchasers and transferees who reside in certain states or jurisdictions may be subject to additional suitability standards and/or specific holding periods before the Notes may be resold or otherwise transferred. It acknowledges that no representation is made as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or any state or other securities laws for resale of the Notes.
3. In connection with the purchase of the Notes (*provided* that no such representations in clauses (a), (b) or (c) below are required to be made with respect to the Portfolio Manager by the Portfolio Manager or any affiliate of the Portfolio Manager or by any account managed or advised by the Portfolio Manager or any affiliate of the Portfolio Manager): (a) it understands that none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Collateral Administrator, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent or any of their respective affiliates is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for such beneficial owner; (b) such beneficial owner is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective affiliates, agents and independent contractors in their capacities as such other than statements, if any, of such person in a current offering circular for the Notes; (c) such beneficial owner has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisers to the extent it has deemed necessary and has made its own investment decisions based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisers as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective affiliates, agents and

independent contractors in their capacities as such; (d) such beneficial owner's purchase of the Notes will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located; (e) such beneficial owner is acquiring the Notes as principal solely for its own account for investment and not with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act; (f) such beneficial owner has made investments prior to the date hereof and was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Notes; (g) such beneficial owner shall not hold any Notes for the benefit of any other person, it shall at all times be the sole beneficial owner thereof for purposes of the Investment Company Act and all other purposes and it shall not sell participation interests in the Notes or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the distributions on the Notes; (h) all Notes (together with any other securities of the Co-Issuers) purchased and held directly or indirectly by such beneficial owner constitute in the aggregate an investment of no more than 40% of its assets or capital and (i) it is a sophisticated investor and is purchasing the Notes with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof, and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume those risks.

4. On each day from the date on which it acquires its interest in the Notes through and including the date on which it disposes of its interest in such Notes, either (A) it is not a Plan, an entity whose underlying assets include the assets of any Plan by reason of Department of Labor regulation Section 2510.3-101 or otherwise, or a governmental, foreign, church or other plan that is subject to any Similar Laws or (B) its purchase, holding and disposition of such Notes (or interest therein) will not constitute or result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or a violation of any applicable Similar Laws), for which an exemption is not available, all of the conditions of which are satisfied.
5. It understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to demand that any holder of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note who is determined not to be both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser sell the Notes (a) to a person who is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A or (b) to a Person who will take delivery of the holder's interest in the Rule 144A Global Note in the form of an interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security, as applicable, and who is not a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) in a transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S and, if the holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may cause such Holder of the beneficial interest to sell such holder's interest in the Note on such terms as the Issuer may choose.
6. It acknowledges that it is its intent and that it understands it is the intent of the Issuer that, for purposes of U.S. federal income, state and local income and franchise tax and any other income taxes, the Issuer will be treated as a corporation, the Notes will be treated as indebtedness of the Issuer and the Class E Certificates (in the absence of an administrative determination or judicial ruling to the contrary) will be treated as equity in the Issuer; it agrees to such treatment and agrees to take no action inconsistent with such treatment.
7. It is not purchasing the Notes in order to reduce any United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan. In the case of a purchaser that is a bank (as defined in Section 881(c)(3)(a) of the Code) or an affiliate of such a bank, the purchaser (a) is acquiring the Notes as a capital markets investment and will not for any purpose treat the assets of the Issuer as loans acquired in its banking business, and (b) has not proposed or identified, and will not propose or identify, any security or loan for inclusion in the Collateral.

8. In the case of any purchaser that is not a United States person (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code), it is not a bank (as defined in Section 881(c)(3)(a) of the Code) or an affiliate of such a bank, unless the purchaser is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States.
9. It is aware that, except as otherwise provided in the Indenture, the Notes being sold to it will be represented by one or more Global Notes, and that beneficial interests therein may be held only through DTC.
10. It acknowledges that no governmental agency has passed upon the Notes or made any finding or determination as to the fairness of an investment in the Notes.
11. It acknowledges that certain persons or organizations will perform services on behalf of the Co-Issuers and will receive fees and/or compensation for performing such services as described in this Offering Memorandum and the Indenture.
12. It acknowledges that the Notes do not represent deposits with or other liabilities or obligations of, and are not guaranteed or endorsed by, the Placement Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective affiliates or any entity related to any of them or any other Holder of Notes. It acknowledges that none of such persons will, in any way, be responsible for or stand behind the value or the performance of the Notes or the assets held by the Issuer. It acknowledges that purchase of Notes involves investment risks including possible delay in payment of distributions and loss of income and principal invested.
13. It understands that the maturity of the Notes is subject to up to four extensions of four years each (to a latest possible date of November 1, 2033) without consent of any beneficial owners of Securities if certain conditions are satisfied.
14. It understands that in the case of any amendment to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more holders of Notes, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase at a purchase price determined pursuant to the Indenture the beneficial interest in the Notes from any holder thereof that either (i) has declared in writing that it will not consent to such amendment or (ii) had not consented to such amendment by the last day on which consent could be given in accordance with the request therefor, and such holder will be required to sell its beneficial interest in the Notes to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at the applicable purchase price.
15. It understands that the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Collateral Administrator and their respective counsel will rely upon the accuracy and truth of the foregoing representations, and it hereby consents to such reliance.

**Transferees of Interests in Notes in the form of Temporary Regulation S Global Securities and Regulation S Global Securities**

Each initial purchaser and subsequent transferee who is purchasing an interest in Notes in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or a Regulation S Global Security will be deemed to have made the representations set forth in paragraphs (2), (3), (4), (6), (7), (8), (10), (11), (12), (13) and (14) above and in addition to have further represented and agreed as follows:

1. It is aware that the sale of Notes to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Regulation S and understands that the Notes offered in reliance on Regulation S will bear the legend set forth above. It and each beneficial owner of its Notes is not, and will not be, a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act, and its purchase of the Notes will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located. In addition, it represents and warrants that it will (i) provide notice to any subsequent transferee of the transfer restrictions provided in such legend and in the Indenture, (ii) hold and transfer its beneficial interest in any Note only in a principal amount of not less than the applicable minimum denomination and (iii) provide the Issuer from time to time such information as it may reasonably request in order to ascertain compliance with this paragraph 1.
2. It understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to demand that any holder of a beneficial interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security who is determined not to have acquired such beneficial interest in compliance with the requirements of Regulation S or who is a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) sell such beneficial interest (a) to a Person who is not a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) in a transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S or (b) to a Person who will take delivery of the holder's beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Securities or Regulation S Global Securities in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note, who is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A under the Securities Act and, if the holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may cause the holder to sell its beneficial interest on such terms as the Issuer may choose.
3. Such beneficial owner is aware that, except as otherwise provided in the Indenture, the Notes being sold to it will be represented (a) initially, by one or more Temporary Regulation S Global Securities and (b) after the Exchange Date, by one or more Regulation S Global Securities, and that beneficial interests therein may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream.
4. A holder of a beneficial interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security must provide Euroclear or Clearstream or the participant organization through which it holds such interest, as applicable, with a certificate certifying that the beneficial owner of the interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Security is a non-U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) and Euroclear or Clearstream, as applicable, must provide to the Trustee a certificate to such effect, prior to (a) the payment of interest or principal with respect to such holder's beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Security and (b) any exchange of such beneficial interest for a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Security, and no payment will be made to the holder of any beneficial interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security unless such holder has provided Euroclear or Clearstream or such participant organization through which it holds such interest with such certificate.

5. It understands that any resale or other transfer of beneficial interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security to U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S) shall not be permitted.
6. It understands that the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Collateral Administrator and their respective counsel will rely upon the accuracy and truth of the foregoing representations, and it hereby consents to such reliance.

### **Transferees of Certificated Class A-1A Notes and Certificated Class A-1B Notes**

Each initial purchaser and subsequent transferee who is purchasing Class A-1A Notes or Class A-1B Notes will be required to provide to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Class E Certificate Registrar a written certification in substantially the form provided in the Indenture, containing representations and agreements substantially to the following effect (among other requirements of the Indenture and the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement or the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement, as applicable) (with such modifications as may be acceptable to the Issuer):

1. It (a) is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is acquiring the Notes in reliance on the exemption from Securities Act registration provided by Rule 144A thereunder and a Qualified Purchaser or (b) is not a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) and is acquiring the Class A-1A Notes in accordance with Regulation S under the Securities Act and all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located. In addition, in the case of clause (a), it represents and warrants that it (i) was not formed for the purpose of investing in the Notes, (ii) has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners if the purchaser is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, (iii) is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than U.S. \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, and (iv) is not a partnership, common trust fund, special trust, pension, profit sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants, as applicable, may designate the particular investments to be made. It understands the Notes will bear the legend set forth above. It is acquiring its Notes in a transaction that may be effected without loss of any applicable Investment Company Act exemption. In addition, it warrants that it will hold and transfer its Class A-1A Notes or Class A-1B Notes, as applicable, only in a principal amount of not less than the applicable minimum denomination.
2. The Notes are being purchased or transferred in accordance with the transfer restrictions set forth in the Indenture and pursuant to an exemption from Securities Act registration, and in accordance with applicable state securities laws or securities laws of any other relevant jurisdiction. It understands that the Notes have been offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or the securities laws of any states, and, if in the future it decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Notes, such Notes may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with an exemption from registration under such laws and pursuant to the provisions of the Indenture, the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement or the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement, as applicable, and the legend on such Notes. In particular, it understands that the Class A-1A Notes and the Class A-1B Notes may be transferred only in the form of Certificated Class A-1 Notes and only to (a) a Qualified Purchaser that is a Qualified Institutional Buyer or (b) a person that is not a "U.S. person" as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Purchasers and transferees who reside in certain states or jurisdictions may be subject to additional suitability standards and/or specific holding periods before the Notes may be resold or

otherwise transferred. It acknowledges that no representation is made as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or any state or other securities laws for resale of the Notes.

3. In connection with the purchase of the Notes (*provided* that no such representations in clauses (a), (b) or (c) below are required to be made with respect to the Portfolio Manager by the Portfolio Manager or any affiliate of the Portfolio Manager or by any account managed or advised by the Portfolio Manager or any affiliate of the Portfolio Manager): (a) it understands that none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective affiliates is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for such beneficial owner; (b) it is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Trustee, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective affiliates, agents and independent contractors in their capacities as such other than statements, if any, of such person in a current offering circular for the Notes; (c) it has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisers to the extent it has deemed necessary and has made its own investment decisions based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisers as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Trustee, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective affiliates, agents and independent contractors in their capacities as such; (d) its purchase of the Notes will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located; (e) it is acquiring the Notes as principal solely for its own account for investment and not with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act; (f) it has made investments prior to the date hereof and was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Notes; (g) it will not hold any Notes for the benefit of any other person, it will at all times be the sole beneficial owner thereof for purposes of the Investment Company Act and all other purposes and it will not sell participation interests in the Notes or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the distributions on the Notes; (h) all Notes (together with any other securities of the Co-Issuers) purchased and held directly or indirectly by such beneficial owner constitute in the aggregate an investment of no more than 40% of its assets or capital and (i) it is a sophisticated investor and is purchasing the Notes with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof, and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume those risks.
4. On each day from the date on which it acquires the Class A-1A Notes or Class A-1B Notes, as applicable, through and including the date on which it disposes of its interest in such Class A-1A Notes or Class A-1B Notes, as applicable, either (A) it is not a Plan, an entity whose underlying assets include the assets of any Plan by reason of Department of Labor regulation Section 2510.3-101 or otherwise, or a governmental, foreign, church or other plan that is subject to any Similar Laws or (B) its purchase, holding and disposition of such Notes (or interest therein) will not constitute or result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or violation of any applicable Similar Laws), for which an exemption is not available, all of the conditions of which are satisfied.



5. It understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to demand that (i) any U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) that is a Holder of a Certificated Class A-1 Note who is determined not to be both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser and (ii) any non U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) (other than a person who is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser) who is determined not to have acquired its Class A-1A Notes or Class A-1B Notes, as applicable, in compliance with the requirements of Regulation S, sell such Class A-1A Notes or Class A-1B Notes, as applicable, (a) to a person who is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A or (b) to a Person who is not a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) in a transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S and, if the holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may cause such Holder to sell its Class A-1A Notes or Class A-1B Notes, as applicable, on such terms as the Issuer may choose.
6. It acknowledges that it is its intent and that it understands it is the intent of the Issuer that, for purposes of U.S. federal income, state and local income and franchise tax and any other income taxes, the Issuer will be treated as a corporation, the Notes will be treated as indebtedness of the Issuer, the Class E Certificates (in the absence of an administrative determination or judicial ruling to the contrary) will be treated as equity in the Issuer and the Class Q-1 Securities and Class P Securities will be treated as a direct ownership interest in the corresponding components of such Security; it agrees to such treatment and agrees to take no action inconsistent with such treatment.
7. It has provided the Issuer or its agent on or immediately prior to its purchase of the Notes with a properly completed Form W-9 if it is a "U.S. person" for purposes of the Code that is not exempt from such requirement, and a properly completed Form W-8BEN if it is not a "U.S. person."
8. It is not purchasing the Notes in order to reduce any United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan. In the case of a purchaser that is a bank (as defined in Section 881(c)(3)(a) of the Code) or an affiliate of such a bank, the purchaser (a) is acquiring the Notes as a capital markets investment and will not for any purpose treat the assets of the Issuer as loans acquired in its banking business, and (b) has not proposed or identified, and will not propose or identify, any security or loan for inclusion in the Collateral.
9. In the case of any purchaser that is not a United States person (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code), it is not a bank (as defined in Section 881(c)(3)(a) of the Code) or an affiliate of such a bank, unless the purchaser is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States.
10. It acknowledges that no governmental agency has passed upon the Notes or made any finding or determination as to the fairness of an investment in the Notes.
11. It agrees to notify any subsequent transferee of all transfer restrictions applicable to Holders of Class A-1A Notes or Class A-1B Notes, as applicable, under the Indenture, the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement or the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement, as applicable, and provided in the legend of such Notes.
12. (a) In the case of the Class A-1A Notes: If the purchase is during the Draw Period, it satisfies the Rating Criteria and it acknowledges that if at any time during the Draw Period it fails to satisfy the Rating Criteria it will be obligated under the Class A-1A Note

Purchase Agreement immediately give notice thereof to the Issuer, the Revolving Note Agent, the Trustee and the Rating Agencies and on the Business Day following such notice fund the full Undrawn Amount of its Class A-1A Notes into a reserve account; or

(b) In the case of the Class A-1B Notes: If the purchase is during the Delayed Drawdown Period, it satisfies the Rating Criteria and it acknowledges that if at any time during the Delayed Drawdown Period it fails to satisfy the Rating Criteria it will be obligated under the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement to immediately give notice thereof to the Issuer, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Trustee and the Rating Agencies and on the Business Day following such notice fund the full Undrawn Amount of its Class A-1B Notes into a reserve account.

12. It acknowledges that certain persons or organizations will perform services on behalf of the Co-Issuers and will receive fees and/or compensation for performing such services as described in this Offering Memorandum and the Indenture.
13. It acknowledges that the Notes do not represent deposits with or other liabilities or obligations of, and are not guaranteed or endorsed by, the Placement Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective affiliates or any entity related to any of them or any other Holder of Notes. It acknowledges that none of such persons will, in any way, be responsible for or stand behind the value or the performance of the Notes or the assets held by the Issuer. It acknowledges that purchase of Notes involves investment risks including possible delay in payment of distributions and loss of income and principal invested.
14. It understands that the maturity of the Notes is subject to up to four extensions of four years each (to a latest possible date of November 1, 2033) without consent of any beneficial owners of Securities if certain conditions are satisfied.
15. It understands that in the case of any amendment to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more holders of Notes, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase at a purchase price determined pursuant to the Indenture the beneficial interest in the Notes from any holder thereof that either (i) has declared in writing that it will not consent to such amendment or (ii) had not consented to such amendment by the last day on which consent could be given in accordance with the request therefor, and such holder will be required to sell its beneficial interest in the Notes to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at the applicable purchase price.
16. It understands that the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator and their respective counsel will rely upon the accuracy and truth of the foregoing representations, and it hereby consents to such reliance.

## **Class E Certificates**

### Class E Legend

Unless otherwise determined by the Issuer in accordance with applicable law and so long as the Class E Certificates are outstanding, the Class E Certificates will bear a legend substantially as set forth below:

“THESE CLASS E CERTIFICATES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “SECURITIES ACT”), ANY STATE SECURITIES LAWS IN THE UNITED STATES OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY OTHER JURISDICTION AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT”). THE HOLDER HEREOF, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF THESE CLASS E CERTIFICATES, REPRESENTS THAT IT HAS OBTAINED THESE CLASS E CERTIFICATES IN A TRANSACTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT, THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT AND ALL OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OR ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION, AND THE RESTRICTIONS ON SALE AND TRANSFER SET FORTH IN THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE DOCUMENTS. THE HOLDER HEREOF, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF THESE CLASS E CERTIFICATES, FURTHER REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT REOFFER, RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER THESE CLASS E CERTIFICATES (OR ANY INTEREST HEREIN) EXCEPT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT, THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT AND ALL OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS OF ANY JURISDICTION AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CERTIFICATIONS AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS SPECIFIED IN THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO HEREIN (A) TO A TRANSFEREE (1) THAT IS EITHER (i) A “QUALIFIED PURCHASER” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OR (ii) A “KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEE” (AS DEFINED IN RULE 3C-5 UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT) WITH RESPECT TO THE ISSUER, (2) IN THE CASE OF (1)(i) ABOVE THAT (i) WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE CLASS E CERTIFICATES, (ii) HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS IF THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (iii) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN U.S. \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS AND (iv) IS NOT A PARTNERSHIP, COMMON TRUST FUND, SPECIAL TRUST, PENSION, PROFIT SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS, AS APPLICABLE, MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENTS TO BE MADE, (3) THAT (i) IS ACQUIRING ITS CLASS E CERTIFICATES IN A TRANSACTION THAT MAY BE EFFECTED WITHOUT LOSS OF ANY APPLICABLE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT EXEMPTION AND (ii) AGREES TO PROVIDE NOTICE TO ANY SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS PROVIDED IN THIS LEGEND AND THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE DOCUMENTS AND (4) THAT (i) IS A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A “QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER” AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A “QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER” IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OR (ii) IS AN “ACCREDITED INVESTOR” AS DEFINED IN RULE 501(A) OF REGULATION D UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT (PROVIDED THAT IN THE CASE OF ANY TRANSFER TO A PERSON WHO IS AN “ACCREDITED INVESTOR” PURSUANT TO THIS SUBCLAUSE (ii) AND IF REQUESTED BY OR

ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, THE TRANSFEROR OR THE TRANSFEREE HAS PROVIDED AN OPINION OF COUNSEL TO EACH OF THE CLASS E CERTIFICATES PAYING AGENT, THE REGISTRAR AND THE ISSUER THAT SUCH TRANSFER MAY BE MADE PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND ANY APPLICABLE STATE SECURITIES LAW), OR (B) TO A TRANSFEREE THAT IS NOT A U.S. PERSON (AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT) AND IS ACQUIRING THESE CLASS E CERTIFICATES IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, AND IN THE CASE OF BOTH CLAUSES (A) AND (B), IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN THE APPLICABLE MINIMUM AUTHORIZED DENOMINATIONS. EACH PURCHASER OR TRANSFEREE OF THESE CLASS E CERTIFICATES WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE OR WILL BE DEEMED TO MAKE THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SUBSTANTIALLY IN THE FORM SET FORTH IN THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE DOCUMENTS OR AN EXHIBIT THERETO.

THESE CLASS E CERTIFICATES ARE TRANSFERABLE ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS DESCRIBED HEREIN AND IN THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE DOCUMENTS. ANY SALE OR TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID *AB INITIO*, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. EACH TRANSFEROR OF ANY INTEREST IN THESE CLASS E CERTIFICATES AGREES TO PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH HEREIN AND IN THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE DOCUMENTS TO ANY TRANSFEREE. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO COMPEL THE RESALE OF ANY INTEREST IN THESE CLASS E CERTIFICATES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO OR HELD BY NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS OF CLASS E CERTIFICATES IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE DOCUMENTS.

THE SCHEDULED CLASS E CERTIFICATES REDEMPTION DATE IS SUBJECT TO EXTENSION AS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE AND CLASS E CERTIFICATE DOCUMENTS. IN ADDITION, A HOLDER MAY BE REQUIRED TO SELL ITS CLASS E CERTIFICATES AS REQUIRED IN THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE DOCUMENTS IF IT DOES NOT CONSENT TO CERTAIN AMENDMENTS TO THE INDENTURE OR IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES VOTES TO REMOVE THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER WITHOUT CAUSE.

THESE CLASS E CERTIFICATES MAY BE BENEFICIALLY OWNED ONLY BY PERSONS THAT CAN CONTINUE TO MAKE, ON EACH DAY SUCH BENEFICIAL OWNER OWNS THESE CLASS E CERTIFICATES, THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS WITH RESPECT TO THE U.S. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED, AND RELATED MATTERS SET FORTH IN THE REPRESENTATION LETTER

DELIVERED UPON PURCHASE OR THE REPRESENTATIONS DEEMED MADE UPON PURCHASE.”

**Transferees of Certificated Class E Certificates**

Each initial purchaser and subsequent transferee of Class E Certificates will be required to provide to the Issuer, Class E Certificate Paying Agent and Registrar a written certification in substantially the form provided in the Class E Certificate Documents, containing representations and agreements substantially to the following effect (among other requirements of the Class E Certificate Documents) (with such modifications as may be acceptable to the Issuer):

1. It (i)(I) is a Qualified Institutional Buyer or (II) is an Accredited Investor, and is acquiring the Class E Certificates in reliance on an exemption from Securities Act registration (*provided* that in the case of any transfer to an Accredited Investor pursuant to this clause (ii) and if requested by or on behalf of the Issuer, the transferor or the transferee has provided an opinion of counsel to each of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Class E Certificate Registrar and the Issuer that such transfer may be made pursuant to an exemption from registration under the Securities Act and any applicable state securities law) and (ii)(I) is a Qualified Purchaser or (II) a Knowledgeable Employee, and understands the Class E Certificates will bear the legend set forth above. In addition, in the case of clause (ii)(I) above, it represents and warrants that it (i) was not formed for the purpose of investing in the Class E Certificates, (ii) has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners if the purchaser is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, (iii) is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than U.S. \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers and (iv) is not a partnership, common trust fund, special trust, pension, profit sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants, as applicable, may designate the particular investments to be made. It is acquiring its Class E Certificates in a transaction that may be effected without loss of any applicable Investment Company Act exemption. In addition, it acknowledges that the Class E Certificates are being offered, and it represents and warrants that it will hold and transfer its interest in any Class E Certificate, only in the applicable minimum denomination.
2. The Class E Certificates are being purchased or transferred in accordance with the transfer restrictions set forth in the Class E Certificate Documents and pursuant to an exemption from Securities Act registration, and in accordance with applicable state securities laws or securities laws of any other relevant jurisdiction. It understands that the Class E Certificates have been offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Class E Certificates have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or the securities laws of any states, and, if in the future it decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Class E Certificates, such Class E Certificates may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with an exemption from registration under such laws and pursuant to the provisions of the Class E Certificate Documents and the legend on such Class E Certificates. In particular, it understands that the Class E Certificates may be transferred only (a) in the form of a Certificated Class E Certificate to a Qualified Purchaser that is either (i) a Qualified Institutional Buyer or (ii) an Accredited Investor (*provided* that in the case of any transfer to an Accredited Investor pursuant to this clause (ii) and if requested by the Issuer or on its behalf, the transferor or the transferee has provided an opinion of counsel to each of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Class E Certificate Registrar and the Issuer that such transfer may be made pursuant to an exemption from registration under the Securities Act and any applicable state securities law) or (b) in the form of an interest in a Temporary Regulation

S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security to a person that is not a “U.S. person” as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Purchasers and transferees who reside in certain states or jurisdictions may be subject to additional suitability standards and/or specific holding periods before the Class E Certificates may be resold or otherwise transferred. It acknowledges that no representation is made as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or any state or other securities laws for resale of the Class E Certificates.

3. In connection with the purchase of the Class E Certificates (*provided* that no such representations in clauses (a), (b) or (c) below are made with respect to the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates by the Portfolio Manager or any Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager or by any account managed or advised by the Portfolio Manager or any Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager): (a) it understands that none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Collateral Administrator, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Trustee or any of their respective Affiliates is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for it; (b) it is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (in each case whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective Affiliates, agents and independent contractors in their capacities as such other than statements, if any, of such person in a current offering circular for the Class E Certificates; (c) it has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisers to the extent it has deemed necessary and has made its own investment decisions based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisers as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective Affiliates, agents and independent contractors in their capacities as such; (d) its purchase of the Class E Certificates will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located; (e) it is acquiring the Class E Certificates as principal solely for its own account for investment and not with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act; (f) it has made investments prior to the date hereof and was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Class E Certificates; (g) it will not hold any Class E Certificates for the benefit of any other person, it will at all times be the sole beneficial owner thereof for purposes of the Investment Company Act and all other purposes and it will not sell participation interests in the Class E Certificates or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or distributions on the Class E Certificates; (h) all Class E Certificates (together with any other securities of the Co-Issuers) purchased and held directly or indirectly by it constitute in the aggregate an investment of no more than 40% of its assets or capital; and (i) it is a sophisticated investor and is purchasing the Class E Certificates with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof, and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume those risks.
4. (a) The purchaser is not, and is not acting on behalf of or using the assets of, (i) an “employee benefit plan” as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA subject to Title I of ERISA, (ii) a plan described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code subject to Section 4975 of the Code, including without limitation, individual retirement accounts and Keogh plans, or (iii) an entity whose underlying assets include “plan assets” by reason of U.S. Department of Labor regulation Section 2510.3-101 or otherwise, including without

limitation, as applicable, an insurance company general account; (b) if the purchaser is a governmental plan (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA) or a non-US plan (as described in Section 4(b)(4) of ERISA), its purchase, holding and subsequent transfer of the Class E Certificates will not result in a violation of any applicable laws, rules, regulations, policies and guidelines to which it and its investments are subject; and (c) the purchaser and any person causing it to acquire any Class E Certificates agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, Co-Issuer, Portfolio Manager, Class E Certificate Paying Agent, Trustee, Collateral Administrator, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, Placement Agent and Initial Purchaser and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage or loss, liability, expense, claim, proceeding or excise tax incurred by them as a result of any of the foregoing representations being or becoming untrue. It understands that the representations made by it pursuant to this paragraph 4 shall be deemed made on each day from the date made through and including the date on which it disposes of its interests in the Class E Certificates. It understands that the Issuer may require any holder of the Class E Certificates that has made a false representation with respect to the foregoing matters to sell the Class E Certificates and, if such holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may sell such holder's interest in the Class E Certificates. It understands that any transfer effected in connection with such a representation that was false will be of no force and effect, will be void *ab initio*, and will not operate to transfer any rights to the transferee, notwithstanding any instructions to the contrary to the Issuer, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent or any intermediary.

5. The purchaser understands that the Class E Certificate Documents permit the Issuer to demand that any U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) that is a Holder of a Certificated Class E Certificate who is determined not to be both (i) a Qualified Purchaser or a Knowledgeable Employee and (ii) a Qualified Institutional Buyer or Accredited Investor sell such Class E Certificate (a) to a Person who is both (i) a Qualified Institutional Buyer or an Accredited Investor (*provided* that in the case of any transfer to an Accredited Investor and if requested by the Issuer or on its behalf, the transferor or the transferee has provided an opinion of counsel to each of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Class E Certificate Registrar and the Issuer that such transfer may be made pursuant to an exemption from registration under the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws) and (ii) a Qualified Purchaser or a Knowledgeable Employee, in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A of the Securities Act or another applicable exemption from the Securities Act (in the case of a transferee who is an Accredited Investor) or (b) to a Person who is not a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) in a transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S and, if the Holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may cause such Holder to sell its Class E Certificates on such terms as the Issuer may choose.
6. The purchaser acknowledges that it is its intent and that it understands it is the intent of the Issuer that, for purposes of U.S. federal income tax, state and local income and franchise tax and any other income taxes, the Issuer will be treated as a corporation, the Notes will be treated as indebtedness of the Issuer, the Class E Certificates (in the absence of an administrative determination or judicial ruling to the contrary) will be treated as equity in the Issuer and the Class Q-1 Securities and Class P Securities will be treated as a direct ownership interest in the corresponding components of such Security; the purchaser agrees to such treatment and agrees to take no action inconsistent with such treatment.
7. The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer is not authorized to engage in activities that could cause it to constitute a finance or lending business for federal income tax purposes and agrees that it will report its investment in the Class E Certificates in a manner consistent with such limitation, and in particular will not treat the Issuer as an "eligible

controlled foreign corporation” for purposes of Section 954(h) of the Code or as deriving income described in Section 1297(b)(2) of the Code.

8. It has provided the Class E Certificate Paying Agent on or immediately prior to its purchase of the Class E Certificates with a properly completed Form W-9 if it is a “U.S. person” for purposes of the Code that is not exempt from such requirement, and a properly completed Form W-8BEN if it is not a “U.S. person.”
9. The purchaser is not purchasing the Class E Certificates in order to reduce any United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan. In the case of a purchaser that is a bank (as defined in Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code) or an affiliate of such a bank, the purchaser (a) is acquiring the Class E Certificates as a capital markets investment and will not for any purpose treat the assets of the Issuer as loans acquired in its banking business and (b) has not proposed or identified, and will not propose or identify, any security or loan for inclusion in the Collateral.
10. In the case of any purchaser that is not a United States person (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code), the purchaser is not a bank (as defined in Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code) or an affiliate of such a bank, unless the purchaser is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States.
11. The purchaser agrees to notify subsequent transferees of all transfer restrictions applicable to holders of Class E Certificates set forth in the Class E Certificate Documents or described in this Offering Memorandum.
12. The purchaser acknowledges that no governmental agency has passed upon the Class E Certificates or made any finding or determination as to the fairness of an investment in the Class E Certificates.
13. The purchaser acknowledges that certain persons or organizations will perform services on behalf of the Co-Issuers and will receive fees and/or compensation for performing such services as described in this Offering Memorandum and the Indenture and Class E Certificate Documents.
14. Within five days after receipt of a written request therefor from the Issuer or the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the purchaser agrees to provide any information and to execute and deliver such documents that may reasonably be necessary to comply with the laws and ordinances to which the Issuer is subject by reason of the offering of the Class E Certificates and the involvement of the purchaser therewith.
15. The purchaser acknowledges that the Class E Certificates do not represent deposits with or other liabilities or obligations of, and are not guaranteed or endorsed by, the Placement Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective Affiliates or any entity related to any of them or any other holder of Class E Certificates. It acknowledges that none of such persons will, in any way, be responsible for or stand behind the value or the performance of the Class E Certificates. It acknowledges that purchase of Class E Certificates involves investment risks including possible delay in payment of distributions and loss of income and principal invested.
16. It understands that the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date is subject to up to four extensions of four years each (to a latest possible date of November 1, 2033) without consent of any beneficial owners of Securities if certain conditions are satisfied.



17. It understands that in the case of any amendment to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more holders of Class E Certificates, the Indenture and Class E Certificate Documents permit the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase at a purchase price determined pursuant to the Indenture and Class E Certificate Documents the Class E Certificates from any holder thereof that either (i) has declared in writing that it will not consent to such amendment or (ii) had not consented to such amendment by the last day on which consent could be given in accordance with the request therefor, and such holder will be required to sell its Class E Certificates to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at the applicable purchase price. In addition, in the case of any vote by holders of Class E Certificates to remove the Portfolio Manager without cause, the Class E Certificate Documents permit the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase at a purchase price determined pursuant to the Class E Certificate Documents the Class E Certificates from any holder that voted in favor of such removal, and such holder will be required to sell its Class E Certificates to the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser at the applicable purchase price.
18. The purchaser understands that the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator and their respective counsel will rely upon the accuracy and truth of the foregoing representations, and it hereby consents to such reliance.

**Transferees of Interests in Class E Certificates in the form of Temporary Regulation S Global Securities and Regulation S Global Securities**

Each initial purchaser and subsequent transferee of Class E Certificates taking delivery in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security will be deemed to have made the representations set forth in paragraphs 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16 and 17 above and in addition to have further represented and agreed as follows:

1. It is aware that the sale of Class E Certificates to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Regulation S and understands that the Class E Certificates offered in reliance on Regulation S will bear the legend set forth above. It and each beneficial owner of its Class E Certificates is not, and will not be, a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act, and its purchase of the Class E Certificates will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located. In addition, it represents and warrants that it will (i) provide notice to any subsequent transferee of the transfer restrictions provided in such legend and in the Indenture, (ii) hold and transfer its beneficial interest in any Class E Certificates only in a Face Amount of not less than the applicable minimum denomination; and (iii) provide the Issuer from time to time such information as it may reasonably request in order to ascertain compliance with this paragraph 1.
2. It understands that the Class E Certificate Documents permit the Issuer to demand that any holder of a beneficial interest in Class E Certificates in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security who is determined not to have acquired such beneficial interest in compliance with the requirements of Regulation S or who is a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) sell such beneficial interest (a) to a Person who is not a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) in a transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S or (b) to a Person who will take delivery of the holder's interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Securities or Regulation S Global Securities in the form of a Certificated Class E Certificate, who is both (i) a Qualified Institutional Buyer or an Accredited Investor (*provided* that in the case of any transfer to an Accredited Investor and if requested by the Issuer or on its behalf, the transferor or the transferee has provided an opinion of counsel to each of the Issuer, the Class E Certificate

Paying Agent and the Class E Certificate Registrar, that such transfer may be made pursuant to an exemption from registration under the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws) and (ii) a Qualified Purchaser or “knowledgeable employee” as defined in Rule 3c-5 under the Investment Company Act, in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A of the Securities Act or another applicable exemption from the Securities Act (in the case of a transferee who is an Accredited Investor), and, if the holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may cause the holder to sell its beneficial interest on such terms as the Issuer may choose.

3. Such beneficial owner is aware that, except as otherwise provided in the Class E Certificate Documents, the Class E Certificates being sold to it will be represented (a) initially, by one or more Temporary Regulation S Global Securities and (b) after the Exchange Date, by one or more Regulation S Global Securities, and that beneficial interests therein may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream.
4. A holder of a beneficial interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security must provide Euroclear or Clearstream or the participant organization through which it holds such interest, as applicable, with a certificate certifying that the beneficial owner of the interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Security is a non-U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S), and Euroclear or Clearstream, as applicable, must provide to the Trustee a certificate to such effect, prior to (a) the payment of interest or principal or other amounts with respect to such holder’s beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Security and (b) any exchange of such beneficial interest for a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Security and no payment will be made to the holder of any beneficial interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security unless such holder has provided Euroclear or Clearstream or such participant organization through which it holds such interest with such certificate.
5. It understands that any resale or other transfer of beneficial interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security to U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S) shall not be permitted.
6. It understands that the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator and their respective counsel will rely upon the accuracy and truth of the foregoing representations, and it hereby consents to such reliance.

### **Class Q-1 Securities**

#### Legend

Unless determined otherwise by the Issuer in accordance with applicable law and so long as any Class Q-1 Security is outstanding, the Class Q-1 Securities will bear a legend substantially as set forth below.

“THIS SECURITY HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “SECURITIES ACT”), ANY STATE SECURITIES LAWS IN THE UNITED STATES OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY OTHER JURISDICTION AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT”). THE HOLDER HEREOF, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF THIS SECURITY, REPRESENTS THAT IT HAS OBTAINED THIS SECURITY IN A TRANSACTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES

ACT, THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT AND ALL OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OR ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION, AND THE RESTRICTIONS ON SALE AND TRANSFER SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. THE HOLDER HEREOF, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF THIS SECURITY, FURTHER REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT REOFFER, RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER THIS SECURITY (OR ANY INTEREST HEREIN) EXCEPT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT, THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT AND ALL OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS OF ANY JURISDICTION AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CERTIFICATIONS AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS SPECIFIED IN THE INDENTURE REFERRED TO HEREIN (A) TO A TRANSFEREE (1) THAT IS "QUALIFIED PURCHASER" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT (2) THAT (i) WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE CLASS E CERTIFICATES, (ii) HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS IF THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (iii) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN U.S. \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS AND (iv) IS NOT A PARTNERSHIP, COMMON TRUST FUND, SPECIAL TRUST, PENSION, PROFIT SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS, AS APPLICABLE, MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENTS TO BE MADE, (3) THAT (i) IS ACQUIRING ITS SECURITY IN A TRANSACTION THAT MAY BE EFFECTED WITHOUT LOSS OF ANY APPLICABLE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT EXEMPTION AND (ii) AGREES TO PROVIDE NOTICE TO ANY SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS PROVIDED IN THIS LEGEND AND THE INDENTURE AND (4) THAT IS A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A "QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER" AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A "QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER" IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OR (B) TO A TRANSFEREE THAT IS NOT A U.S. PERSON (AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT) AND IS ACQUIRING THIS SECURITY IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, AND IN THE CASE OF BOTH CLAUSES (A) AND (B), IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN THE APPLICABLE MINIMUM AUTHORIZED DENOMINATIONS. EACH PURCHASER OR TRANSFEREE OF THIS SECURITY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE OR WILL BE DEEMED TO MAKE THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SUBSTANTIALLY IN THE FORM SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE OR AN EXHIBIT THERETO.

THIS SECURITY IS TRANSFERABLE ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS DESCRIBED HEREIN AND IN THE INDENTURE. ANY SALE OR TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID *AB INITIO*, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY

INTERMEDIARY. EACH TRANSFEROR OF ANY INTEREST IN THIS SECURITY AGREES TO PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH HEREIN AND IN THE INDENTURE TO ANY TRANSFEREE. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO COMPEL THE RESALE OF ANY INTEREST IN THIS SECURITY PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO OR HELD BY NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS OF THIS SECURITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE INDENTURE.

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THIS SECURITY MAY BE BENEFICIALLY OWNED ONLY BY PERSONS THAT CAN CONTINUE TO MAKE, ON EACH DAY SUCH BENEFICIAL OWNER OWNS THIS SECURITY, THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS WITH RESPECT TO THE U.S. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED, AND RELATED MATTERS SET FORTH IN THE REPRESENTATION LETTER DELIVERED UPON PURCHASE OR THE REPRESENTATIONS DEEMED MADE UPON PURCHASE.”

#### **Transferees of Certificated Class Q-1 Securities**

Each initial purchaser and subsequent transferee of Class Q-1 Securities will be required to provide to the Issuer, Class E Certificate Paying Agent and Registrar a written certification in substantially the form provided in the Class Q-1 Security Documents, containing representations and agreements substantially to the following effect (among other requirements of the Class Q-1 Security Documents) (with such modifications as may be acceptable to the Issuer):

1. It (i) is a Qualified Institutional Buyer, and is acquiring the Class Q-1 Securities in reliance on an exemption from Securities Act registration and (ii) is a Qualified Purchaser, and understands the Class Q-1 Securities will bear the legend set forth above. In addition, it represents and warrants that it (i) was not formed for the purpose of investing in the Class Q-1 Securities, (ii) has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners if the purchaser is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, (iii) is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than U.S. \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers and (iv) is not a partnership, common trust fund, special trust, pension, profit sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants, as applicable, may designate the particular investments to be made. It is acquiring its Class Q-1 Securities in a transaction

that may be effected without loss of any applicable Investment Company Act exemption. In addition, it acknowledges that the Class Q-1 Securities are being offered, and it represents and warrants that it will hold and transfer its interest in any Class Q-1 Security, only in the applicable minimum denomination.

2. The Class Q-1 Securities are being purchased or transferred in accordance with the transfer restrictions set forth in the Indenture and pursuant to an exemption from Securities Act registration, and in accordance with applicable state securities laws or securities laws of any other relevant jurisdiction. It understands that the Class Q-1 Securities have been offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Class Q-1 Securities have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or the securities laws of any states, and, if in the future it decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Class Q-1 Securities, such Class Q-1 Securities may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with an exemption from registration under such laws and pursuant to the provisions of the Indenture and the legend on such Class Q-1 Securities. In particular, it understands that the Class Q-1 Securities may be transferred only (a) in the form of a Certificated Class Q-1 Security to a Qualified Purchaser that is also a Qualified Institutional Buyer or (b) in the form of an interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security to a person that is not a "U.S. person" as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Purchasers and transferees who reside in certain states or jurisdictions may be subject to additional suitability standards and/or specific holding periods before the Class Q-1 Securities may be resold or otherwise transferred. It acknowledges that no representation is made as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or any state or other securities laws for resale of the Class Q-1 Securities.
3. In connection with the purchase of the Class Q-1 Securities (*provided* that no such representations in clauses (a), (b) or (c) below are made with respect to the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates by the Portfolio Manager or any Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager or by any account managed or advised by the Portfolio Manager or any Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager): (a) it understands that none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Collateral Administrator, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent or any of their respective Affiliates is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for it; (b) it is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (in each case whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective Affiliates, agents and independent contractors in their capacities as such other than statements, if any, of such person in a current offering memorandum for the Class Q-1 Securities; (c) it has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisers to the extent it has deemed necessary and has made its own investment decisions based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisers as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective Affiliates, agents and independent contractors in their capacities as such; (d) its purchase of the Class Q-1 Securities will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located; (e) it is acquiring the Class Q-1 Securities as principal solely for its own account for investment and not with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act; (f) it has made investments prior to the date hereof and

was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Class Q-1 Securities; (g) it will not hold any Class Q-1 Securities for the benefit of any other person, it will at all times be the sole beneficial owner thereof for purposes of the Investment Company Act and all other purposes and it will not sell participation interests in the Class Q-1 Securities or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or distributions on the Class Q-1 Securities; (h) all Class Q-1 Securities (together with any other securities of the Co-Issuers) purchased and held directly or indirectly by it constitute in the aggregate an investment of no more than 40% of its assets or capital; and (i) it is a sophisticated investor and is purchasing the Class Q-1 Securities with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof, and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume those risks.

4. (a) The purchaser is not, and is not acting on behalf of or using the assets of, (i) an “employee benefit plan” as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA subject to Title I of ERISA, (ii) a plan described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code subject to Section 4975 of the Code, including without limitation, individual retirement accounts and Keogh plans, or (iii) an entity whose underlying assets include “plan assets” by reason of U.S. Department of Labor regulation Section 2510.3-101 or otherwise, including without limitation, as applicable, an insurance company general account; (b) if the purchaser is a governmental plan (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA) or a non-US plan (as described in Section 4(b)(4) of ERISA), its purchase, holding and subsequent transfer of the Class Q-1 Securities will not result in a violation of any applicable laws, rules, regulations, policies and guidelines to which it and its investments are subject; and (c) the purchaser and any person causing it to acquire any Class Q-1 Securities agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, Co-Issuer, Portfolio Manager, Class E Certificate Paying Agent, Trustee, Collateral Administrator, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, Placement Agent and Initial Purchaser and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage or loss, liability, expense, claim, proceeding or excise tax incurred by them as a result of any of the foregoing representations being or becoming untrue. It understands that the representations made by it pursuant to this paragraph 4 shall be deemed made on each day from the date made through and including the date on which it disposes of its interests in the Class Q-1 Securities. It understands that the Issuer may require any holder of the Class Q-1 Securities that has made a false representation with respect to the foregoing matters to sell the Class Q-1 Securities and, if such holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may sell such holder’s interest in the Class Q-1 Securities. It understands that any transfer effected in connection with such a representation that was false will be of no force and effect, will be void *ab initio*, and will not operate to transfer any rights to the transferee, notwithstanding any instructions to the contrary to the Issuer, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent or any intermediary.
5. The purchaser understands that the Indenture permit the Issuer to demand that any U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) that is a Holder of a Certificated Class Q-1 Security who is determined not to be both (i) a Qualified Purchaser and (ii) a Qualified Institutional Buyer sell such Class Q-1 Security (a) to a Person who is both (i) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (ii) a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A of the Securities Act or (b) to a Person who is not a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) in a transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S and, if the Holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may cause such Holder to sell its Class Q-1 Securities on such terms as the Issuer may choose.
6. The purchaser agrees to treat the Class Q-1 Security as a direct ownership interest in the different Classes of Securities corresponding to the components of the Class Q-1 Security. The purchaser acknowledges that it is its intent and that it understands it is the

intent of the Issuer that, for purposes of U.S. federal income tax, state and local income and franchise tax and any other income taxes, the Issuer will be treated as a corporation, the Notes will be treated as indebtedness of the Issuer, the Class E Certificates (including the Class Q-1 Class E Certificates Component) (in the absence of an administrative determination or judicial ruling to the contrary) will be treated as equity in the Issuer and the Class Q-1 Securities and Class P Securities will be treated as a direct ownership interest in the corresponding components of such Security; the purchaser agrees to such treatment and agrees to take no action inconsistent with such treatment.

7. The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer is not authorized to engage in activities that could cause it to constitute a finance or lending business for federal income tax purposes and agrees that it will report its investment in the Class Q-1 Securities in a manner consistent with such limitation, and in particular will not treat the Issuer as an “eligible controlled foreign corporation” for purposes of Section 954(h) of the Code or as deriving income described in Section 1297(b)(2) of the Code.
8. It has provided the Trustee on or immediately prior to its purchase of the Class Q-1 Securities with a properly completed Form W-9 if it is a “U.S. person” for purposes of the Code that is not exempt from such requirement, and a properly completed Form W-8BEN if it is not a “U.S. person.”
9. The purchaser is not purchasing the Class Q-1 Securities in order to reduce any United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan. In the case of a purchaser that is a bank (as defined in Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code) or an affiliate of such a bank, the purchaser (a) is acquiring the Class Q-1 Securities as a capital markets investment and will not for any purpose treat the assets of the Issuer as loans acquired in its banking business and (b) has not proposed or identified, and will not propose or identify, any security or loan for inclusion in the Collateral.
10. In the case of any purchaser that is not a United States person (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code), the purchaser is not a bank (as defined in Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code) or an affiliate of such a bank, unless the purchaser is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States.
11. The purchaser agrees to notify subsequent transferees of all transfer restrictions applicable to holders of Class Q-1 Securities set forth in the Indenture or described in this Offering Memorandum.
12. The purchaser acknowledges that no governmental agency has passed upon the Class Q-1 Securities or made any finding or determination as to the fairness of an investment in the Class Q-1 Securities.
13. The purchaser acknowledges that certain persons or organizations will perform services on behalf of the Co-Issuers and will receive fees and/or compensation for performing such services as described in this Offering Memorandum and the Indenture and Class E Certificate Documents.
14. Within five days after receipt of a written request therefor from the Issuer or the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the purchaser agrees to provide any information and to execute and deliver such documents that may reasonably be necessary to comply with the laws and ordinances to which the Issuer is subject by reason of the offering of the Class Q-1 Securities and the involvement of the purchaser therewith.
15. The purchaser acknowledges that the Class Q-1 Securities do not represent deposits with or other liabilities or obligations of, and are not guaranteed or endorsed by, the Placement Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate

Paying Agent, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective Affiliates or any entity related to any of them or any other holder of Class Q-1 Securities. It acknowledges that none of such persons will, in any way, be responsible for or stand behind the value or the performance of the Class Q-1 Securities. It acknowledges that purchase of Class Q-1 Securities involves investment risks including possible delay in payment of distributions and loss of income and principal invested.

16. It understands that the Stated Maturity of the Class Q-1 Securities is subject to up to four extensions of four years each (to a latest possible date of November 1, 2033) without consent of any beneficial owners of Securities if certain conditions are satisfied.
17. It understands that in the case of any amendment to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more holders of Class Q-1 Securities (or holders of any Class of Securities that constitutes a Component thereof), the Indenture and Class E Certificate Documents permit the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase at a purchase price determined pursuant to the Indenture and Class E Certificate Documents, the Class Q-1 Securities (or the affected Component thereof) from any holder thereof that either (i) has declared in writing that it will not consent to such amendment or (ii) had not consented to such amendment by the last day on which consent could be given in accordance with the request therefor, and such holder will be required to sell its Class Q-1 Securities or the affected Component thereof (at the holder's option) to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at the applicable purchase price. In addition, if a holder of Class Q-1 Securities votes the Class E Certificates represented by its related Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component to remove the Portfolio Manager without cause, and a Removal Buy-Out Purchaser exercise its right under the Class E Certificate Documents to purchase the Directing Class E Certificates, the Class Q-1 Securities that include such Class E Components will be deemed exchanged for their respective components, the Class E Certificates represented by such Class E Components will be so purchased and the applicable Buy-Out Amount will be distributed to the Holders of such Class Q-1 Securities, and such Holders will receive in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture the Class C Notes represented by the Class Q-1 Note Component of their Class Q-1 Securities.
18. The purchaser understands that the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator and their respective counsel will rely upon the accuracy and truth of the foregoing representations, and it hereby consents to such reliance.

**Transferees of Interests in Class Q-1 Securities in the form of Temporary Regulation S Global Securities and Regulation S Global Securities**

Each initial purchaser and subsequent transferee of Class Q-1 Securities taking delivery in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security will be deemed to have made the representations set forth in paragraphs 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16 and 17 above and in addition to have further represented and agreed as follows:

1. It is aware that the sale of Class Q-1 Securities to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Regulation S and understands that the Class Q-1 Securities offered in reliance on Regulation S will bear the legend set forth above. It and each beneficial owner of its Class Q-1 Securities is not, and will not be, a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act, and its purchase of the Class Q-1 Securities will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located. In addition, it represents and warrants that it will (i) provide notice to any



subsequent transferee of the transfer restrictions provided in such legend and in the Indenture, (ii) hold and transfer its beneficial interest in any Class Q-1 Securities only in not less than the applicable minimum denomination; and (iii) provide the Issuer from time to time such information as it may reasonably request in order to ascertain compliance with this paragraph 1.

2. It understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to demand that any holder of a beneficial interest in Class Q-1 Securities in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security who is determined not to have acquired such beneficial interest in compliance with the requirements of Regulation S or who is a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) sell such beneficial interest (a) to a Person who is not a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) in a transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S or (b) to a Person who will take delivery of the holder's interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Securities or Regulation S Global Securities in the form of a Certificated Class Q-1 Security, who is both (i) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (ii) a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A of the Securities Act and, if the holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may cause the holder to sell its beneficial interest on such terms as the Issuer may choose.
3. Such beneficial owner is aware that, except as otherwise provided in the Indenture, the Class Q-1 Securities being sold to it will be represented (a) initially, by one or more Temporary Regulation S Global Securities and (b) after the Exchange Date, by one or more Regulation S Global Securities, and that beneficial interests therein may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream.
4. A holder of a beneficial interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security must provide Euroclear or Clearstream or the participant organization through which it holds such interest, as applicable, with a certificate certifying that the beneficial owner of the interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Security is a non-U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S), and Euroclear or Clearstream, as applicable, must provide to the Trustee a certificate to such effect, prior to (a) the payment of interest or principal or other amounts with respect to such holder's beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Security and (b) any exchange of such beneficial interest for a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Security and no payment will be made to the holder of any beneficial interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security unless such holder has provided Euroclear or Clearstream or such participant organization through which it holds such interest with such certificate.
5. It understands that any resale or other transfer of beneficial interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security to U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) shall not be permitted.
6. It understands that the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator and their respective counsel will rely upon the accuracy and truth of the foregoing representations, and it hereby consents to such reliance.

**Class P Securities**Class P Legend

Unless otherwise determined by the Issuer in accordance with applicable law and so long as the Class P Securities are outstanding, the Class P Securities will bear a legend substantially as set forth below:

“THESE CLASS P SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “SECURITIES ACT”), ANY STATE SECURITIES LAWS IN THE UNITED STATES OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY OTHER JURISDICTION AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT”). THE HOLDER HEREOF, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF THESE CLASS P SECURITIES, REPRESENTS THAT IT HAS OBTAINED THESE CLASS P SECURITIES IN A TRANSACTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT, THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT AND ALL OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OR ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION, AND THE RESTRICTIONS ON SALE AND TRANSFER SET FORTH IN THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE DOCUMENTS. THE HOLDER HEREOF, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF THESE CLASS P SECURITIES, FURTHER REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT REOFFER, RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER THESE CLASS P SECURITIES (OR ANY INTEREST HEREIN) EXCEPT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT, THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT AND ALL OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS OF ANY JURISDICTION AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CERTIFICATIONS AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS SPECIFIED IN THE INDENTURE AND THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO HEREIN (A) TO A TRANSFEREE (1) THAT IS A “QUALIFIED PURCHASER” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT (i) WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE CLASS E CERTIFICATES, (ii) HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS IF THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (iii) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN U.S. \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS AND (iv) IS NOT A PARTNERSHIP, COMMON TRUST FUND, SPECIAL TRUST, PENSION, PROFIT SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS, AS APPLICABLE, MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENTS TO BE MADE, (2) THAT (i) IS ACQUIRING ITS CLASS P SECURITIES IN A TRANSACTION THAT MAY BE EFFECTED WITHOUT LOSS OF ANY APPLICABLE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT EXEMPTION AND (ii) AGREES TO PROVIDE NOTICE TO ANY SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS PROVIDED IN THIS LEGEND, THE INDENTURE AND THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE DOCUMENTS AND (3) THAT (i) IS ACQUIRING ITS CLASS P SECURITIES IN A TRANSACTION THAT MAY BE EFFECTED WITHOUT LOSS OF ANY APPLICABLE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT EXEMPTION AND (ii) AGREES TO PROVIDE NOTICE TO ANY SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS PROVIDED IN THIS LEGEND, THE INDENTURE AND THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE DOCUMENTS AND (4) THAT IS A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A “QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER” AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A “QUALIFIED

INSTITUTIONAL BUYER” IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, OR (B) TO A TRANSFEREE THAT IS NOT A U.S. PERSON (AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT) AND IS ACQUIRING THESE CLASS P SECURITIES IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, AND IN THE CASE OF BOTH CLAUSES (A) AND (B), IN A STATED AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN THE APPLICABLE MINIMUM AUTHORIZED DENOMINATIONS. EACH PURCHASER OR TRANSFEREE OF THESE CLASS P SECURITIES WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE OR WILL BE DEEMED TO MAKE THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SUBSTANTIALLY IN THE FORM SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE OR AN EXHIBIT THERETO.

THESE CLASS P SECURITIES ARE TRANSFERABLE ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS DESCRIBED HEREIN AND IN THE INDENTURE. ANY SALE OR TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID *AB INITIO*, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. EACH TRANSFEROR OF ANY INTEREST IN THESE CLASS P SECURITIES AGREES TO PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH HEREIN AND IN THE INDENTURE TO ANY TRANSFEREE. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO COMPEL THE RESALE OF ANY INTEREST IN THESE CLASS P SECURITIES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO OR HELD BY NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS OF CLASS P SECURITIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE INDENTURE.

THE STATED MATURITY OF THESE CLASS P SECURITIES IS SUBJECT TO EXTENSION AS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. IN ADDITION, A HOLDER MAY BE REQUIRED TO SELL ITS INTEREST IN THIS CLASS P SECURITY AS PROVIDED IN THE INDENTURE IF IT DOES NOT CONSENT TO CERTAIN AMENDMENTS TO THE INDENTURE OR IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES VOTES TO REMOVE THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER WITHOUT CAUSE.

A COMPONENT OF THIS CLASS P SECURITY HAS BEEN ISSUED WITH ORIGINAL ISSUE DISCOUNT FOR U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES. FOR INFORMATION ABOUT THE ISSUE PRICE, THE AMOUNT OF OID, THE ISSUE DATE AND THE YIELD TO MATURITY OF THE CLASS P SECURITY COMPONENT ISSUED WITH ORIGINAL ISSUE DISCOUNT, PLEASE CONTACT THE TRUSTEE AT 600 TRAVIS STREET, 50TH FLOOR, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77002, TELECOPY NO (713) 216-2101, ATTENTION: WORLDWIDE SECURITY SERVICES--LIBERTY CLO, LTD.

THESE CLASS P SECURITIES MAY BE BENEFICIALLY OWNED ONLY BY PERSONS THAT CAN CONTINUE TO MAKE, ON EACH DAY SUCH BENEFICIAL OWNER OWNS THESE CLASS P SECURITIES, THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS WITH RESPECT TO THE U.S. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED, AND RELATED MATTERS SET FORTH IN THE REPRESENTATION LETTER

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**Transferees of Certificated Class P Securities**

Each initial purchaser and subsequent transferee of Class P Securities will be required to provide to the Issuer, Class E Certificate Paying Agent and Registrar a written certification in substantially the form provided in the Indenture, containing representations and agreements substantially to the following effect (among other requirements of the Indenture and the Class E Certificate Documents) (with such modifications as may be acceptable to the Issuer):

1. It (i) is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (ii) is a Qualified Purchaser. In addition, it represents and warrants that it (i) was not formed for the purpose of investing in the Class P Securities, (ii) has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners if the purchaser is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, (iii) is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than U.S. \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers and (iv) is not a partnership, common trust fund, special trust, pension, profit sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants, as applicable, may designate the particular investments to be made. It is acquiring its Class P Securities in a transaction that may be effected without loss of any applicable Investment Company Act exemption. In addition, it acknowledges that the Class P Securities are being offered, and it represents and warrants that it will hold and transfer its interest in any Class P Security, only in the applicable minimum denomination.
2. The Class P Securities are being purchased or transferred in accordance with the transfer restrictions set forth in the Indenture and pursuant to an exemption from Securities Act registration, and in accordance with applicable state securities laws or securities laws of any other relevant jurisdiction. It understands that the Class P Securities have been offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Class P Securities have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or the securities laws of any states, and, if in the future it decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Class P Securities, such Class P Securities may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with an exemption from registration under such laws and pursuant to the provisions of the Indenture and the legend on such Class P Securities. In particular, it understands that the Class P Securities may be transferred only (a) in the form of a Certificated Class P Security to a Qualified Purchaser that is a Qualified Institutional Buyer or (b) in the form of an interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security to a person that is not a “U.S. person” as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Purchasers and transferees who reside in certain states or jurisdictions may be subject to additional suitability standards and/or specific holding periods before the Class P Securities may be resold or otherwise transferred. It acknowledges that no representation is made as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or any state or other securities laws for resale of the Class P Securities.
3. In connection with the purchase of the Class P Securities (*provided* that no such representations in clauses (a), (b) or (c) below are made with respect to the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates by the Portfolio Manager or any Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager or by any account managed or advised by the Portfolio Manager or any Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager): (a) it understands that none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent or any of their respective Affiliates is acting as a fiduciary or

financial or investment adviser for it; (b) it is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (in each case whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective Affiliates, agents and independent contractors in their capacities as such other than statements, if any, of such person in a current offering circular for the Class P Securities; (c) it has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisers to the extent it has deemed necessary and has made its own investment decisions based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisers as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective Affiliates, agents and independent contractors in their capacities as such; (d) its purchase of the Class P Securities will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located; (e) it is acquiring the Class P Securities as principal solely for its own account for investment and not with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act; (f) it has made investments prior to the date hereof and was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Class P Securities; (g) it will not hold any Class P Securities for the benefit of any other person, it will at all times be the sole beneficial owner thereof for purposes of the Investment Company Act and all other purposes and it will not sell participation interests in the Class P Securities or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or distributions on the Class P Securities; (h) all Class P Securities (together with any other securities of the Co-Issuers) purchased and held directly or indirectly by it constitute in the aggregate an investment of no more than 40% of its assets or capital; and (i) it is a sophisticated investor and is purchasing the Class P Securities with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof, and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume those risks.

4. (a) The purchaser is not, and is not acting on behalf of or using the assets of, (i) an “employee benefit plan” as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA subject to Title I of ERISA, (ii) a plan described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code subject to Section 4975 of the Code, including without limitation, individual retirement accounts and Keogh plans, or (iii) an entity whose underlying assets include “plan assets” by reason of U.S. Department of Labor regulation Section 2510.3-101 or otherwise, including without limitation, as applicable, an insurance company general account; (b) if the purchaser is a governmental plan (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA) or a non-US plan (as described in Section 4(b)(4) of ERISA), its purchase, holding and subsequent transfer of the Class P Securities will not result in a violation of any applicable laws, rules, regulations, policies and guidelines to which it and its investments are subject; and (c) the purchaser and any person causing it to acquire any Class P Securities agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, Co-Issuer, Portfolio Manager, Class E Certificate Paying Agent, Trustee, Collateral Administrator, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, Placement Agent and Initial Purchaser and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage or loss, liability, expense, claim, proceeding or excise tax incurred by them as a result of any of the foregoing representations being or becoming untrue. It understands that the representations made by it pursuant to this paragraph 4 shall be deemed made on each day from the date made through and including the date on which it disposes of its interests in the Class P Securities. It understands that the Issuer may require any holder of the Class P Securities that has made a false representation with respect to the foregoing matters to sell the Class P Securities and, if such holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may sell such holder’s interest in the Class P

Securities. It understands that any transfer effected in connection with such a representation that was false will be of no force and effect, will be void *ab initio*, and will not operate to transfer any rights to the transferee, notwithstanding any instructions to the contrary to the Issuer, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent or any intermediary.

5. The purchaser understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to demand that any U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) that is a Holder of a Certificated Class P Security who is determined not to be both (i) a Qualified Purchaser and (ii) a Qualified Institutional Buyer sell such Class P Certificate (a) to a Person who is both (i) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (ii) a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A of the Securities Act or (b) to a Person who is not a "U.S. person" as defined in Regulation S in a transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S and, if the Holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may cause such Holder to sell its Class P Securities on such terms as the Issuer may choose.
6. The purchaser agrees to treat the Class P Security as a direct ownership interest in the corresponding components of the Class P Security. The purchaser acknowledges that it is its intent and that it understands it is the intent of the Issuer that, for purposes of U.S. federal income tax, state and local income and franchise tax and any other income taxes, the Issuer will be treated as a corporation, the Notes will be treated as indebtedness of the Issuer and the Class E Certificates (in the absence of an administrative determination or judicial ruling to the contrary) will be treated as equity in the Issuer; the purchaser agrees to such treatment and agrees to take no action inconsistent with such treatment.
7. The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer is not authorized to engage in activities that could cause it to constitute a finance or lending business for federal income tax purposes and agrees that it will report its investment in the Class P Securities in a manner consistent with such limitation, and in particular will not treat the Issuer as an "eligible controlled foreign corporation" for purposes of Section 954(h) of the Code or as deriving income described in Section 1297(b)(2) of the Code.
8. It has provided the Trustee and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent on or immediately prior to its purchase of the Class P Securities with a properly completed Form W-9 if it is a "U.S. person" for purposes of the Code that is not exempt from such requirement, and a properly completed Form W-8BEN if it is not a "U.S. person."
9. The purchaser is not purchasing the Class P Securities in order to reduce any United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan. In the case of a purchaser that is a bank (as defined in Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code) or an affiliate of such a bank, the purchaser (a) is acquiring the Class P Securities as a capital markets investment and will not for any purpose treat the assets of the Issuer as loans acquired in its banking business and (b) has not proposed or identified, and will not propose or identify, any security or loan for inclusion in the Collateral.
10. In the case of any purchaser that is not a United States person (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code), the purchaser is not a bank (as defined in Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code) or an affiliate of such a bank, unless the purchaser is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States.
11. The purchaser agrees to notify subsequent transferees of all transfer restrictions applicable to holders of Class P Securities set forth in the Indenture or described in this Offering Memorandum.

12. The purchaser acknowledges that no governmental agency has passed upon the Class P Securities or made any finding or determination as to the fairness of an investment in the Class P Securities.
13. The purchaser acknowledges that certain persons or organizations will perform services on behalf of the Co-Issuers and will receive fees and/or compensation for performing such services as described in this Offering Memorandum and the Indenture and Class E Certificate Documents.
14. Within five days after receipt of a written request therefor from the Issuer, the Trustee or the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the purchaser agrees to provide any information and to execute and deliver such documents that may reasonably be necessary to comply with the laws and ordinances to which the Issuer is subject by reason of the offering of the Class P Securities and the involvement of the purchaser therewith.
15. The purchaser acknowledges that the Class P Securities do not represent deposits with or other liabilities or obligations of, and are not guaranteed or endorsed by, the Placement Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective Affiliates or any entity related to any of them or any other holder of Class P Securities. It acknowledges that none of such persons will, in any way, be responsible for or stand behind the value or the performance of the Class P Securities. It acknowledges that purchase of Class P Securities involves investment risks including possible delay in payment of distributions and loss of income and principal invested.
16. It understands that the Stated Maturity of the Class P Securities is subject to up to four extensions of four years each (to a latest possible date of November 1, 2033) without consent of any beneficial owners of Securities if certain conditions are satisfied.
17. It understands that in the case of any amendment to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more holders of Class P Securities, this Indenture and Class E Certificate Documents permit the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase at the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price the Class P Class E Certificate Component of Class P Securities from any holder thereof that either (i) has declared in writing that it will not consent to such amendment or (ii) had not consented to such amendment by the last day on which consent could be given in accordance with the request therefor, and such holder will be required to exchange its Class P Securities for the components thereof and sell the Class E Certificates represented by such Class E Certificate Component to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price. In addition, in the case of any vote by holders of Class P Securities to remove the Portfolio Manager without cause, the Class E Certificate Documents permit the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase at the Buy-Out Amount, the Class P Class E Certificate Component thereof from any holder that voted in favor of such removal, and such holder will be required to exchange its Class P Securities for the components thereof and sell the Class E Certificates represented by such Class E Certificate Component to the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser at the Buy-out Amount.
18. The purchaser understands that the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Class P Securities Paying Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator and their respective counsel will rely upon the accuracy and truth of the foregoing representations, and it hereby consents to such reliance.

**Transferees of Interests in Class P Securities in the form of Temporary Regulation S Global Securities and Regulation S Global Securities**

Each initial purchaser and subsequent transferee of Class P Securities taking delivery in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security will be deemed to have made the representations set forth in paragraphs 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16 and 17 above and in addition to have further represented and agreed as follows:

1. It is aware that the sale of Class P Securities to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Regulation S and understands that the Class P Securities offered in reliance on Regulation S will bear the legend set forth above. It and each beneficial owner of its Class P Securities is not, and will not be, a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act, and its purchase of the Class P Securities will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located. In addition, it represents and warrants that it will (i) provide notice to any subsequent transferee of the transfer restrictions provided in such legend and in the Indenture, (ii) hold and transfer its beneficial interest in any Class P Securities only in a Face Amount of not less than the applicable minimum denomination; and (iii) provide the Issuer from time to time such information as it may reasonably request in order to ascertain compliance with this paragraph 1.
2. It understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to demand that any holder of a beneficial interest in Class P Securities in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security who is determined not to have acquired such beneficial interest in compliance with the requirements of Regulation S or who is a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) sell such beneficial interest (a) to a Person who is not a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) in a transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S or (b) to a Person who will take delivery of the holder's interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Securities or Regulation S Global Securities in the form of a Certificated Class P Certificate, who is both (i) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (ii) a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A of the Securities Act, and, if the holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may cause the holder to sell its beneficial interest on such terms as the Issuer may choose.
3. Such beneficial owner is aware that, except as otherwise provided in the Indenture, the Class P Securities being sold to it will be represented (a) initially, by one or more Temporary Regulation S Global Securities and (b) after the Exchange Date, by one or more Regulation S Global Securities, and that beneficial interests therein may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream.
4. A holder of a beneficial interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security must provide Euroclear or Clearstream or the participant organization through which it holds such interest, as applicable, with a certificate certifying that the beneficial owner of the interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Security is a non-U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S), and Euroclear or Clearstream, as applicable, must provide to the Trustee a certificate to such effect, prior to (a) the payment of interest or principal or other amounts with respect to such holder's beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Security and (b) any exchange of such beneficial interest for a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Security and no payment will be made to the holder of any beneficial interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security unless such holder has provided Euroclear or Clearstream or such participant organization through which it holds such interest with such certificate.



5. It understands that any resale or other transfer of beneficial interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security to U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S) shall not be permitted.
6. It understands that the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator and their respective counsel will rely upon the accuracy and truth of the foregoing representations, and it hereby consents to such reliance.

## **LISTING AND GENERAL INFORMATION**

Application will be made to the Irish Stock Exchange for the Notes to be admitted to the Daily Official List. No assurances can be given that any such listing will be obtained with respect to the Notes. The issuance and settlement of the Securities on the Closing Date are not conditioned on the listing of any Notes on the Irish Stock Exchange. As part of the harmonization of securities markets in Europe, the European Commission has adopted a directive known as the Prospectus Directive (which was required to be implemented by Member States by July 1, 2005) that will regulate offers of securities to the public and admissions to trading to E.U. regulated markets. A directive known as the Transparency Directive which came into force in the European Union at the beginning of 2005 and is required to be implemented by Member States by early 2007, will among other things, impose continuing financial reporting obligations on issuers that have certain types of securities admitted to trading on an E.U. regulated market. In addition, the Market Abuse Directive harmonizes the rules on insider trading and market manipulation in respect of securities admitted to trading on an E.U. regulated market and requires issuers of such securities to disclose any non-public price-sensitive information as soon as possible, subject to certain limited exemptions. The listing of the Notes on the Irish Stock Exchange would subject the Issuer to regulation under these directives, although the requirements applicable to the Issuer are not yet fully clarified. The Indenture will not require the Issuer to maintain a listing for any Class of Notes on an E.U. stock exchange if compliance with these directives (or other requirements adopted by the European Commission or a relevant Member State) becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Portfolio Manager.

If and for so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, copies of the Issuer Charter, the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer and the resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuers authorizing the issuance of the Notes and the Indenture will be available for inspection at the office of the Trustee. The Issuer is not required by Cayman Islands law, and the Issuer does not intend, to publish annual reports and accounts. The Co-Issuer is not required by Delaware law, and the Co-Issuer does not intend, to publish annual reports and accounts. The Indenture, however, requires the Issuer to provide the Trustee with written confirmation, on an annual basis, that to the best of its knowledge following review of the activities of the prior year, no Event of Default or other matter required to be brought to the Trustee's attention has occurred or, if one has, specifying the same.

Each of the Co-Issuers represents that, as of the date of this Offering Memorandum, there has been no material adverse change in its financial position since the date of its creation. Neither of the Co-Issuers is involved, or has been involved since incorporation, in any litigation or arbitration proceedings relating to claims on amounts which may have or have had a material effect on the Co-Issuers in the context of the issue of the Securities, nor, so far as such Issuer or Co-Issuer, as applicable, is aware, is any such litigation or arbitration involving it pending or threatened.

The issuance of the Securities will be authorized by the Board of Directors of the Issuer by resolution passed on or about the Closing Date. The issuance of the Notes was authorized by the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer by resolution passed on or about the Closing Date. Since incorporation, neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has commenced trading, established any accounts or declared any dividends, except for the transactions described herein relating to the issuance of the Securities.

Application has been made to the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange for the Class E Certificates, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities to be admitted to the official list of the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange. No assurances can be given that any such listing will be obtained with respect to the Class E Certificates, the Class Q-1 Securities or the Class P Securities. The issuance and settlement of the Securities on the Closing Date are not conditioned on the listing of any Class E Certificates, Class Q-1 Securities or Class P Securities on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange.

**IDENTIFYING NUMBERS**

The Securities sold in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S and represented by Regulation S Global Securities have been accepted for clearance under the Common Codes in the table below. The table also lists the CUSIP (CINS) Numbers, the International Securities Identification Numbers (ISIN) and the WKN numbers for each Class of Securities.

<b>Security</b>	<b>CUSIP</b>	<b>Common Code</b>	<b>ISIN</b>
<b>Class A-1A Notes</b>			
Certificated Class A-1A Notes	530361 AA 2		US530361AA23
<b>Class A-1B Notes</b>			
Certificated Class A-1B Notes	530361 AC 8		US530361AC88
<b>Class A-1C Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	530361 AE 4		US530361 AE45
Regulation S Global Securities	G27868 AC 5	023730383	USG27868 AC51
<b>Class A-2 Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	530361 AG 9		US530361 AG92
Regulation S Global Securities	G27868 AD 3	023730448	USG27868 AD35
<b>Class A-3 Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	530361 AJ 3		US530361 AJ32
Regulation S Global Securities	G27868 AE 1	023730499	USG27868 AE18
<b>Class A-4 Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	530361 AL 8		US530361 AL87
Regulation S Global Securities	G27868 AF 8	023730529	USG27868 AF82
<b>Class B Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	530361 AN 4		US530361 AN44
Regulation S Global Securities	G27868 AG 6	023730553	USG27868 AG65
<b>Class C Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	530361 AQ 7		US530361 AQ74
Regulation S Global Securities	G27868 AH 4	023730618	USG27868 AH49
<b>Class E Certificates</b>			
Regulation S Global Securities	G27867 20 2	023730707	KYG278672020
Certificated Class E Certificates (Rule 144A)	530360 20 5		US5303602057
Certificated Class E Certificates (Accredited Investor)	530360 30 4		US5303603048
<b>Class Q-1 Securities</b>			
Regulation S Global Securities	G27867 AC 7	023730839	USG27867 AC78
Certificated Class Q-1 Securities (Rule 144A)	530360 AE 6		US530360 AE61
<b>Class P-1 Securities</b>			
Regulation S Global Securities	G27867 AA 1	023730740	USG27867 AA13
Certificated Class P-1 Securities (Rule 144A)	530360 AA 4		US530360 AA40
<b>Class P-2 Securities</b>			
Regulation S Global Securities	G27867 AB 9	023730774	USG27867AB95
Certificated Class P-2 Securities (Rule 144A)	530360 AC 0		US530360AC06

## **LEGAL MATTERS**

Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchaser and the Placement Agent by Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP, New York, New York. Certain U.S. federal income tax matters will be passed upon for the Issuer by Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP. Certain matters with respect to Cayman Islands law will be passed upon for the Issuer by Walkers, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Portfolio Manager by Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, Los Angeles, California.

## GLOSSARY OF DEFINED TERMS

**“Accrued Interest On Sale”** means interest accrued on a Collateral Obligation at the time of sale or other disposition to the extent paid to the Issuer as part of the sale or other disposition price of the Collateral Obligation after deduction of any amount representing Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal”** means (i) interest accrued on or purchased with a Collateral Obligation as part of the price paid by the Issuer to acquire the Collateral Obligation less any amount of Interest Proceeds (applied as Interest Proceeds) applied by the Issuer to acquire the accrued interest at the time of purchase and (ii) interest accrued on a Warehoused Loan as part of the price paid by the Issuer, if any, to repurchase and terminate the related participation under the Warehouse Agreement.

**“Act”** means any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action to be given or taken by Noteholders or Holders of Class E Certificates under the Indenture embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments (which may be an electronic document, including but not limited to in the form of e-mail, to the extent permitted by applicable law) of substantially similar tenor signed by Noteholders or Holders of Class E Certificates in person or by agents duly appointed in writing (provided that no signature shall be required on electronic documents, including but not limited to in the form of e-mail to the extent permitted by law). Except as otherwise expressly provided in the Indenture the action will become effective when the instruments are delivered to the Trustee (which instrument or instruments may be delivered through the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, in the case of the Holders of the Class E Certificates) and, if expressly required, to the Issuer. The instruments (and the action embodied in them) are referred to as the **“Act”** of the Noteholders or Holders of Class E Certificates signing the instruments.

**“Administrative Expense Cap”** means, an amount on any Payment Date equal to the excess of:

(i) the sum of 0.04% of the Maximum Investment Amount on the related Determination Date plus \$150,000, *over*

(ii) the sum of the amounts paid for Administrative Expenses in the twelve months preceding the current Payment Date;

*provided* that the Administrative Expense Cap for each of the first three Payment Dates shall be an amount equal to the excess of:

(i) the sum of (x) 0.04% of the Maximum Investment Amount plus \$150,000, *multiplied by* (y) the actual days elapsed from the Closing Date to such Payment Date divided by 360, *over*

(ii) the sum of the amounts paid as Administrative Expenses since (but excluding) the Closing Date.

**“Administrative Expenses”** means amounts due or accrued representing:

(i) tax preparation, filing, and registration fees or expenses and any other filing and registration fees owed by the Co-Issuers (including all filing, registration, and annual return fees payable to the Cayman Islands government and registered office fees);

(ii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Trustee (including all amounts under Section 6.7 of the Indenture), the Administrator, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator, the Revolving Note Agent and the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent;

(iii) fees, indemnities and expenses of either of the Co-Issuers and of accountants, agents and counsel for either of the Co-Issuers;

(iv) fees and expenses of the Rating Agencies in connection with any rating of the Notes owed by either Co-Issuer (including fees and expenses for ongoing surveillance, credit estimates and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies);

(v) expenses and indemnities (but not Management Fees) of the Portfolio Manager if payable under the Management Agreement;

(vi) fees, expenses, and indemnities for third-party loan pricing services and accountants; and

(vii) any other amounts due to any other Person (except the Portfolio Manager) if specifically provided for in the Indenture, including fees, expenses and indemnities in connection with any Securities Lending Agreement

“**Affiliate**” or “**Affiliated**” means with respect to a Person,

(i) any other Person who, directly or indirectly, is in control of, or controlled by, or is under common control with, the Person; or

(ii) any other Person who is a director, officer or employee (A) of the Person, (B) of any subsidiary or parent company of the Person or (C) of any Person described in clause (i) above.

For the purposes of this definition, control of a Person shall mean the power, direct or indirect:

(A) to vote more than 50% of the securities having ordinary voting power for the election of directors of the Person; or

(B) to direct the corporate management and corporate policies of the Person whether by contract or otherwise (this does not include the Management Agreement unless it is amended expressly to provide those services).

For the purpose of this definition, the Administrator and its Affiliates are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Co-Issuers and the Co-Issuers are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Administrator, or any of its Affiliates.

“**Aggregate Commitment Amount**”: The aggregate of all Commitments with respect to all Class A-1A Notes.

“**Aggregate Outstanding Amount**” means, used with respect to (i) any of the Notes (other than the Class A-1A Notes and the Class A-1B Notes) as of any date, the aggregate principal amount of the Notes (including, in the case of the Class C Notes, the Class Q-1 Note Component) on that date, (ii) the Class A-1A Notes as of any date, (a) prior to the termination date of the Commitments (x) for purposes of any Overcollateralization Test and the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test, the aggregate Drawn Amount of Class A-1A Notes *plus* an amount equal to the lesser of (A) the Aggregate Undrawn Amount of the Class A-1A Notes and (B) the Aggregate Unfunded Amount *minus* the amount credited to the Revolving Reserve Account, and (y) for any other purpose, the Aggregate Commitment Amount and (b) after the termination date of the Commitments, for all purposes, the aggregate Drawn Amount, (iii) the Class A-1B Notes as of any date, (a) prior to the first Payment Date, the Fully Drawn Amount and (b) from and after the first Payment Date, the aggregate principal amount of the Class A-1B Notes on that date, (iv) the Class E Certificates as of any date, means the number of such Class E Certificates

Outstanding on such date in respect of such Class E Certificates, and (v) the Class P Securities, the Class P-1 Nominal Principal Outstanding and the Class P-2 Nominal Principal Outstanding, as applicable, on the date of determination.

Except as otherwise provided herein:

(i) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1A Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1B Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(iii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1C Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(iv) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-2 Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(v) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-3 Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(vi) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-4 Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(vii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes at any time shall include all Class B Deferred Interest attributed thereto; and

(viii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes at any time shall include all Class C Deferred Interest attributed thereto.

**“Aggregate Principal Balance”** means, when used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Principal Balances of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Principal Balance means the sum of the Principal Balances of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**“Aggregate Purchase Price Amount”** means, when used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Purchase Price Amount means the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**“Aggregate Undrawn Amount”** means at any time, (i) with respect to the Class A-1A Notes, the aggregate Undrawn Amounts of all Class A-1A Notes; and (ii) with respect to the Class A-1B Notes, the aggregate Undrawn Amounts of all Class A-1B Notes.

**“Aggregate Unfunded Amount”**: As of any date of determination, the aggregate Unfunded Amounts with respect to all Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans held by the Issuer as of such date.

**“Allocable Principal Balance”** means, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, the portion of the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security that is allocable to each Reference Obligation comprising such index or indices based upon allocating the Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security among such Reference Obligations in the same proportion as each Reference Obligation bears to the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security.

**“Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price”** means the purchase price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Securities purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, *plus* accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) to the date of purchase by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, payable to the Non-Consenting Holder (giving effect to any amounts paid by the Issuer to the Holder on such date), *plus* any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment, *plus* in the case of an Amendment Buy-Out prior to the end of the Non-Call Period and the Class A-1 Notes purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out only, an amount equal to the sum of the present values as of the date of the Amendment Buy-Out of the spread portion of the interest amount that would be payable with respect to (x) the aggregate Drawn Amount of such Class A-1A Notes as of the date of the Amendment Buy-Out and (y) the aggregate principal amount of such Class A-1B Notes and Class A-1C Notes, as applicable, as of the date of the Amendment Buy-Out, in each case on each Payment Date from the date of the Amendment Buy-Out to the end of the Non-Call Period, discounted at the applicable forward LIBOR rate for the period from the date of the Amendment Buy-Out to the relevant Payment Date, (ii) in the case of the Class E Certificates, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Class E Certificates since the Closing Date (and amounts, if any, that due to the fact that the date of the Amendment Buy-Out is after the related Record Date, are payable to the Non-Consenting Holder on the next succeeding Payment Date notwithstanding the Amendment Buy-Out) would cause such Class E Certificates to have received a Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return of 12% (assuming such purchase date was a “Payment Date” under the Indenture); *provided, however*, that in any Amendment Buy-Out from and after the date on which the Non-Consenting Holders of Class E Certificates have received a Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12%, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price for such Class E Certificates shall be zero; and (iii) in the case of the Class Q-1 Securities, based on the respective purchase prices for the relevant Class Q-1 Note Component and the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component thereof.

**“Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser”** means the Portfolio Manager (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event that the Portfolio Manager elects not to purchase Securities from Holders pursuant to “Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out”, “Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser” shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser or the Placement Agent or any of their Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Portfolio Manager; *provided, however*, none of the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

**“Applicable Note Interest Rate”** means, with respect to the Notes of any Class, the Note Interest Rate with respect to such Class.

**“Applicable Percentage”** means the lesser of the Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate and the S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation as specified in the tables below. High-Yield Bonds do not include Structured Finance Obligations for this purpose.



**Moody's Priority  
Category****Moody's Priority Category  
Recovery Rate**

Synthetic Securities..... In the case of:

- (i) a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to the Form-Approved Synthetic Security at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security by Moody's; and
- (ii) any other Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to the Synthetic Security at the time of acquisition of the Synthetic Security.

Structured Finance

Obligations..... The Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the Moody's Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in Schedule 5 to the Indenture by reference to the type of asset and its then Moody's Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that schedule does not apply, on a case-by-case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).

Unsecured DIP Loans and

any Collateral Obligations

not covered above or below .. As determined by Moody's on a case-by-case basis.

For High-Yield Bonds, Moody's Senior Secured Loans and Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is the rate determined pursuant to the table below based on the number of rating subcategories difference between the High-Yield Bond's or Loan's Moody's Obligation Rating and its Moody's Default Probability Rating (for purposes of clarification, if the Moody's Obligation Rating is higher than the Moody's Default Probability Rating, the rating subcategories difference will be positive and if it is lower, negative):

<b>Number of Moody's Rating Subcategories Difference Between the Moody's Obligation Rating and the Moody's Default Probability Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>High-Yield Bonds</b>
+2 or more	60.0%	45.0%	40.0%
+1	50.0%	42.5%	35.0%
0	45.0%	40.0%	30.0%
-1	40.0%	30.0%	15.0%
-2	30.0%	15.0%	10.0%
-3 or less	20.0%	10.0%	2.0%

If no Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate has been specifically assigned with respect to a Loan pursuant to the above table, and the Loan is a secured DIP Loan, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is 50.0%.

<b>S&amp;P Priority Category</b>	<b>S&amp;P Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Senior Secured Loans (other than DIP Loans) .....	55.0%
Senior Unsecured Loans .....	37.5%
Second Lien .....	37.5%
Subordinated Lien Loans (other than DIP Loans).....	21.5%
Senior secured High-Yield Bonds (other than Structured Finance Obligations) .....	44.0%
Senior unsecured High-Yield Bonds (other than Structured Finance Obligations) .....	30.0%
Subordinated High-Yield Bonds (other than Structured Finance Obligations) .....	18.0%
Structured Finance Obligations.....	The S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the S&P Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 6</u> to the Indenture by reference to the type of asset and its then S&P Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that table does not apply, on a case by case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
Synthetic Securities.....	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation.
DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligation not covered above .....	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis.

“**Approved Pricing Service**” means Loan Pricing Corporation, LoanX Inc., Markit Group Limited or any other nationally recognized loan pricing service approved in writing by S&P.

“**Ask-Side Market Value**” means, as of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Portfolio Manager and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any lent Collateral Obligation based upon the Portfolio Manager’s commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from three independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations which are also independent from the Portfolio Manager or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices could not be obtained, the higher of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from two independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations which are also independent from the Portfolio Manager or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices could not be obtained, the average of the ask-side prices for the purchase of such Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (independent from the Portfolio Manager) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (independent from the Portfolio Manager); *provided* that if the Ask-Side Market Value of any lent Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the outstanding principal balance thereof.

**“Assigned Moody’s Rating”** means the monitored publicly available rating or the monitored estimated rating expressly assigned to a debt obligation (or facility) by Moody’s that addresses the full amount of the principal and interest promised.

**“Authorized Officer”** means, with respect to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, any Officer or agent who is authorized to act for the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, in matters relating to, and binding on, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. With respect to the Portfolio Manager, any managing member, Officer, manager, employee, partner or agent of the Portfolio Manager who is authorized to act for the Portfolio Manager in matters relating to, and binding on, the Portfolio Manager with respect to the subject matter of the request, certificate or order in question. With respect to the Trustee or any other bank or trust company acting as trustee of an express trust or as custodian, a Trust Officer. Each party may receive and accept a certification of the authority of any other party as conclusive evidence of the authority of any Person to act, and the certification may be considered as in full force and effect until receipt by the other party of written notice to the contrary.

**“Average Life”** means, as of any Measurement Date with respect to any Collateral Obligation (other than any Defaulted Collateral Obligation), the quotient obtained by dividing:

- (i) the sum of the products of:
  - (A) the number of years (rounded to the nearest hundredth) from the Measurement Date to the respective dates of each successive scheduled payment of principal of the Collateral Obligation; and
  - (B) the respective amounts of the successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation; by
- (ii) the sum of all successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Bank”** means JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, in its individual capacity and not as Trustee.

**“Bankruptcy Code”** means the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, Title 11 of the United States Code.

**“Bankruptcy Law”** means the Bankruptcy Code, Part V of the Companies Law (2004 Revision) of the Cayman Islands and the Bankruptcy Law (1997 Revision) of the Cayman Islands.

**“Board of Directors”** means with respect to the Issuer, the directors of the Issuer duly appointed by a resolution of the holders of the Ordinary Shares or by resolution of the Board of Directors and, with respect to the Co-Issuers, the directors of the Co-Issuer duly appointed by the stockholders of the Co-Issuer.

**“Borrowings”** has the meaning specified under “Description of the Securities—Class A-1A Notes Borrowings.”

**“Bridge Loan”** means any obligation or security incurred in connection with a merger, acquisition, consolidation, sale of all or substantially all of the assets of a person or entity, restructuring or similar transaction, which obligation or security by its terms is required to be repaid within one year of the incurrence thereof with proceeds from additional borrowings or other refinancing (other than any additional borrowing or refinancing if one or more financial institutions shall have provided the issuer of such obligation or security with a binding written commitment to provide the same). For the avoidance of doubt, a DIP Loan will not constitute a Bridge Loan.

**“Business Day”** means a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in New York City, and any other city in which the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee is located and, in the case of the final payment of principal of any Note, the place of presentation of the Note designated by the Trustee; *provided, however* that, for purposes of determining LIBOR, “Business Day” must also be a day on which dealings in deposits in Dollars are transacted in the London interbank market.

**“Buy-out Amount”** means, with respect to the Directing Class E Certificates, an amount, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Directing Class E Certificates since the Closing Date, would cause the Directing Class E Certificates to have received (as of the date of the Portfolio Manager’s purchase thereof) a Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a “Payment Date” under the Indenture); *provided* that in the case of any such purchase by the Portfolio Manager on a date after the Payment Date in November 2018, and solely with respect to any single Holder of Directing Class E Certificates holding U.S.\$30,000,000 or more in aggregate Face Amount of Class E Certificates, an amount, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Holder’s Directing Class E Certificates since the Closing Date, would cause such Directing Class E Certificates to have received (as of the date of the Portfolio Manager’s purchase thereof) a Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return of 15.0% (assuming such purchase date was a “Payment Date” under the Indenture). If the applicable Directing Class E Certificates have already received a Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return of such respective level, the Buy-out Amount will be zero.

**“Cash”** means such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for payment of all public and private debts.

**“CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations”** means the Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have (i) a Moody’s Rating of “Caal” or lower and/or (ii) an S&P Rating of “CCC+” or lower.

**“Class”** means with respect to the Securities (other than the Class E Certificates), all of the Securities having the same priority and the same Stated Maturity and with respect to the Class E Certificates, all of the Class E Certificates; *provided, however*, unless otherwise expressly provided for herein, (i) the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes will be considered the same Class, (ii) each of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class A-4 Notes will be a separate Class, and (iii) each of the Class P-1 Securities and the Class P-2 Securities will be a separate Class.

**“Class A Coverage Tests”** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class A-4 Notes (as a single Class).

**“Class B Coverage Tests”** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class B Notes.

**“Class B Deferred Interest”** means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes.

**“Class C Coverage Tests”** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class C Notes.

**“Class C Deferred Interest”** means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C Notes.

**“Class E Certificate Components”** means, collectively, the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component, the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component and the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component.

**“Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return”** means, with respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the “XIRR” function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for the following cash flows, assuming all Class E Certificates were purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount:

(i) each distribution of Interest Proceeds made to the Holders of the Class E Certificates on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date; and

(ii) each distribution of Principal Proceeds made to the Holders of the Class E Certificates on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date.

**“Class E Certificates Distribution Account”** means a separate segregated non interest bearing trust account established by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent pursuant to the Class E Certificate Paying Agency Agreement into which the Class E Certificate Paying Agent will deposit all amounts received from the Issuer and payable to the Holders of the Class E Certificates under the Priority of Payments.

**“Class E Certificate Paying Agent”** means JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, in its capacity as Class E Certificate Paying Agent under the Class E Certificate Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the Class E Certificates paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Class E Certificate Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter “Class E Certificate Paying Agent” shall mean such successor person.

**“Class P Administrative Expenses”**: Collectively, the Class P-1 Administrative Expenses and the Class P-2 Administrative Expenses.

**“Class P Class E Certificate Components”**: Collectively, the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component and the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component.

**“Class P Collateral”**: Collectively, the Class P-1 Collateral and the Class P-2 Collateral.

**“Class P Redemption Price”** means, the Class P-1 Redemption Price and the Class P-2 Redemption Price.

**“Class P Securities Due Period”** means, with respect to any Class P Securities Payment Date, the period commencing on and including the day immediately following the second Business Day prior to the preceding Class P Securities Payment Date (or in the case of the Class P Securities Due Period relating to the first Class P Securities Payment Date, commencing on the Closing Date) and ending on and including the second Business Day prior to such Class P Securities Payment Date (or, in the case of a Class P Securities Due Period that is applicable to the Class P Securities Payment Date relating to the Stated Maturity of any Security, ending on and including the day preceding such Class P Securities Payment Date).

**“Class P Securities Payment Date”** means the tenth Business Day after each Payment Date or, if such Payment Date coincides with the Stated Maturity, the Class P Securities Payment Date will be such Payment Date.

**“Class P Securityholders”** means collectively, the Class P-1 Securityholders and the Class P-2 Securityholders.

**“Class P U.S. Treasury Bid”** means the current bid-side market price of the applicable U.S. Treasury security represented by the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component or the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury

Component, as quoted by a dealer in U.S. Treasury securities (which may be the Bank or the Initial Purchaser) to the Trustee.

**“Class P-1 Accelerated Payment Notional Amount”** means, with respect to each Class P Securities Payment Date, an amount equal to a portion of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component with a face amount equal to the sum of (rounded down to the nearest U.S.\$1,000) (a) the aggregate sum of distributions made with respect to the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component since the Closing Date up to and including such Class P Securities Payment Date *plus* (b) the aggregate Class P-1 Optional Accelerated Payments and the aggregate Class P-1 Mandatory Accelerated Payments made on all prior Class P Securities Payment Dates *minus* (c) the aggregate face amount of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component liquidated on all prior Class P Securities Payment Dates.

**“Class P-1 Accounts”** means collectively, the Class P-1 Collection Account, the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component Account and the Class P-1 Principal Reserve Account.

**“Class P-1 Administrative Expenses”** The administrative fees and expenses (including additional fees of the Trustee set forth in a separate fee letter dated as of the Closing Date by and between the Trustee and the Issuer) attributable to and taxes associated with the liquidation of the U.S. Treasury securities represented by the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component and any taxes attributable to the related Class P-2 Collateral.

**“Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component”** means the U.S. \$6,180,000 aggregate Face Amount of Class E Certificates comprising the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component of the Class P-1 Securities.

**“Class P-1 Collection Account”** means the trust account designated as the Class P-1 Collection Account and established pursuant to the Indenture.

**“Class P-1 Components”** means the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component and/or the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component, as the context may require.

**“Class P-1 Mandatory Accelerated Payment”** has the meaning described under “Description of the Securities—The Class P Securities.”

**“Class P-1 Net Periodic Distribution”** means, with respect to each Class P Securities Payment Date, an amount equal to the sum of (a) any distributions received with respect to the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component during the related Class P Securities Due Period *plus* (b) the Class P-1 Mandatory Accelerated Payment (if any) for such Class P Securities Due Period *plus* (c) the Class P-1 Optional Accelerated Payment (if any) for such Class P Securities Due Period *plus* (d) any payments or distributions received with respect to the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component during such Class P Securities Due Period net of any Class P-1 Administrative Expenses.

**“Class P-1 Nominal Principal Outstanding”** means, with respect to any day on or prior to the first Class P Securities Payment Date, U.S.\$20,000,000, and on any date of determination thereafter (i) the Class P-1 Nominal Principal Outstanding on the prior Class P Securities Payment Date *less* (ii) the amount equal to (x) the aggregate amount of all distributions payable to the Class P-1 Securityholders in respect of its related Class P-1 Components on such prior Class P Securities Payment Date pursuant to the Indenture *minus* (y) the Class P-1 Notional Coupon Payment on such prior Class P Securities Payment Date; *provided* that the amount in clause (ii) is greater than zero. For the avoidance of doubt, if the amount under clause (ii) above is less than zero, the Class P-1 Notional Principal Outstanding will increase by the absolute value of such amount.

**“Class P-1 Notional Coupon Payment”** means, with respect to any Class P Securities Payment Date, an amount equal to notional interest for the related period on the Class P-1 Nominal Principal

Outstanding at the Class P-1 Notional Coupon Rate. The Class P-1 Notional Coupon Payment shall be computed for each Interest Period on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

**“Class P-1 Notional Coupon Rate”** means a rate of 6.5% per annum; *provided* that no later than 15 Business Days before each Class P Securities Payment Date, the Class P-1 Securityholders representing a Majority of the Class P-1 Securities may, by written notice to the Trustee and the Issuer, alter the Class P-1 Notional Coupon Rate to be applied to such Class P-1 Securities Payment Date, subject to certain terms set forth in the Indenture.

**“Class P-1 Optional Accelerated Payment”** has the meaning described under “Description of the Securities—The Class P Securities.”

**“Class P-1 Optional Accelerated Payment Notional Amount”** has the meaning described under “Description of the Securities—The Class P Securities.”

**“Class P-1 Principal Reserve Account”** means the trust account designated as the Class P-1 Principal Reserve Account and established pursuant to the Indenture.

**“Class P-1 Rated Principal”** means as of any Measurement Date, the U.S.\$20,000,000 original stated amount of the Class P-1 Securities as of the Closing Date *minus* the aggregate amount of all distributions paid to the Class P-1 Securityholders in respect of the related Class P-1 Components (whether characterized as interest or principal or otherwise) on or prior to such Measurement Date; *provided* that the Class P-1 Rated Principal shall not be less than \$1.

**“Class P-1 Redemption Price”** means with respect to the Class P-1 Securities, in the aggregate (i) a cash distribution in an amount equal to the sum of (x) the amount, if any, payable as the redemption price or otherwise as a final distribution with respect to the Class E Certificates represented by the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component and (y) any other Class P-1 Collateral other than the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component and (ii) a distribution in kind of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component; *provided* that any Class P-1 Securityholder may elect instead of a distribution in kind of its *pro rata* share of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component to enter into another arrangement with the Issuer (satisfactory to the Issuer and the Trustee in their sole discretion) with respect to its *pro rata* share of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component; *provided* that any administrative expenses with respect to such arrangement will be paid by such Class P-1 Securityholder.

**“Class P-1 Securities”** means the U.S. \$20,000,000 Class P-1 Extendable Securities comprised of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component and the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component.

**“Class P-1 Securityholder”** means a Holder of the Class P-1 Securities.

**“Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component”** means the U.S. \$20,000,000 face value of U.S. Treasury securities due November 15, 2013 (CUSIP No. 912833KB5) comprising the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component of the Class P-1 Securities.

**“Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component Account”** means the trust account designated as the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component Account and established pursuant to the Indenture.

**“Class P-2 Accelerated Payment Notional Amount”** means, with respect to each Class P Securities Payment Date, an amount equal to a portion of the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component with a face amount equal to the sum of (rounded down to the nearest U.S.\$1,000) (a) the aggregate sum of distributions made with respect to the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component since the Closing Date up to and including such Class P Securities Payment Date *plus* (b) the aggregate Class P-2 Optional Accelerated Payments and the aggregate Class P-2 Mandatory Accelerated Payments made on all prior

Class P Securities Payment Dates *minus* (c) the aggregate face amount of the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component liquidated on all prior Class P Securities Payment Dates.

**“Class P-2 Accounts”** means collectively, the Class P-2 Collection Account and the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component Account.

**“Class P-2 Administrative Expenses”** The administrative fees and expenses (including additional fees of the Trustee set forth in a separate fee letter dated as of the Closing Date by and between the Trustee and the Issuer) attributable to and taxes associated with the liquidation of the U.S. Treasury securities represented by the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component and any taxes attributable to the related Class P-2 Collateral.

**“Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component”** means the U.S. \$1,500,000 aggregate Face Amount of Class E Certificates comprising the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component of the Class P-2 Securities.

**“Class P-2 Collection Account”** means the trust account designated as the Class P-2 Collection Account and established pursuant to the Indenture.

**“Class P-2 Components”** means the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component and/or the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component, as the context may require.

**“Class P-2 Mandatory Accelerated Payment”** has the meaning described under “Description of the Securities—The Class P Securities.”

**“Class P-2 Net Periodic Distribution”** means, with respect to each Class P Securities Payment Date, an amount equal to the sum of (a) any distributions received with respect to the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component during the related Class P Securities Due Period *plus* (b) the Class P-2 Mandatory Accelerated Payment (if any) for such Class P Securities Due Period *plus* (c) the Class P-2 Optional Accelerated Payment (if any) for such Class P Securities Due Period *plus* (d) any payments or distributions received with respect to the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component during such Class P Securities Due Period net of any Class P-2 Administrative Expenses.

**“Class P-2 Nominal Principal Outstanding”** means, with respect to any day on or prior to the first Class P Securities Payment Date, U.S.\$5,000,000, and on any date of determination thereafter (i) the Class P-2 Nominal Principal Outstanding on the prior Class P Securities Payment Date *less* (ii) the amount equal to the aggregate amount of all distributions payable to the Class P-2 Securityholders in respect of its related Class P-2 Components on such Class P Securities Payment Date pursuant to the Indenture; *provided* that the amount is greater than zero.

**“Class P-2 Optional Accelerated Payment”** has the meaning described under “Description of the Securities—The Class P Securities.”

**“Class P-2 Optional Accelerated Payment Notional Amount”** has the meaning described under “Description of the Securities—The Class P Securities.”

**“Class P-2 Rated Principal”** means as of any Measurement Date, the U.S.\$5,000,000 original stated amount of the Class P-2 Securities as of the Closing Date *minus* the aggregate amount of all distributions paid to the Class P-2 Securityholders in respect of the related Class P-2 Components (whether characterized as interest or principal or otherwise) on or prior to such Measurement Date.

**“Class P-2 Redemption Price”** means with respect to the Class P-2 Securities, in the aggregate (i) a cash distribution in an amount equal to the sum of (x) the amount, if any, payable as the redemption price or otherwise as a final distribution with respect to the Class E Certificates represented by the Class



P-2 Class E Certificate Component and (y) any other Class P-2 Collateral other than the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component and (ii) a distribution in kind of the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component; *provided* that any Class P-2 Securityholder may elect instead of a distribution in kind of its *pro rata* share of the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component to enter into another arrangement with the Issuer (satisfactory to the Issuer and the Trustee in their sole discretion) with respect to its *pro rata* share of the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component; *provided* that any administrative expenses with respect to such arrangement will be paid by such Class P-2 Securityholder.

**“Class P-2 Securities”** means the U.S. \$5,000,000 Class P-2 Extendable Securities comprised of the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component and the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component.

**“Class P-2 Securityholder”** means a Holder of the Class P-2 Securities.

**“Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component”** means the U.S. \$5,000,000 face value amount of U.S. Treasury securities due November 15, 2013 (CUSIP No. 912833KB5) comprising the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component of the Class P-2 Securities.

**“Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component Account”** means the trust account designated as the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component Account and established pursuant to the Indenture.

**“Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component”** means the U.S. \$7,400,000 aggregate Face Amount of Class E Certificates comprising the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component of the Class Q-1 Securities.

**“Class Q-1 Components”** means the Class Q-1 Note Component and the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component.

**“Class Q-1 Note Component”** means the U.S. \$12,600,000 initial aggregate principal amount of Class C Notes comprising the Class Q-1 Note Component of the Class Q-1 Securities.

**“Class Q-1 Rated Principal”** means for the first Interest Period, U.S. \$20,000,000 original stated amount of the Class Q-1 Securities as of the Closing Date, and for any Interest Period thereafter, the Class Q-1 Rated Principal for the prior Interest Period minus the aggregate amount of all distributions paid to the Holders of Class Q-1 Securities in respect of the related Class Q-1 Components (whether characterized as interest or principal or otherwise) for the Payment Date occurring at the beginning of such current Interest Period, *provided* that the Class Q-1 Rated Principal shall not be less than \$1.

**“Class Q-1 Securities”** means the U.S. \$20,00,000 Class Q-1 Extendable Securities comprised of the Class Q-1 Note Component and the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component.

**“Class Scenario Loss Rate”** means, with respect to any Class of Notes rated by S&P, an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, consistent with S&P’s rating of such Class of Notes on the Closing Date, determined by application of the S&P CDO Monitor.

**“Clearstream”** means Clearstream Banking, société anonyme, a corporation organized under the laws of the Duchy of Luxembourg.

**“Collateral Administration Agreement”** means the agreement dated as of the Closing Date among the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and the Collateral Administrator, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**“Collateral Administrator”** means the Bank in its capacity as collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement.

**“Commitment”** means at any time in respect of any Class A-1A Note, the maximum aggregate outstanding principal amount of advances (whether at the time funded or unfunded) that the holder of such Class A-1A Note is obligated from time to time under the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement to make to the Issuer.

**“Commitment Fee”** means with respect to the Class A-1A Notes, the Commitment Fee Rate multiplied by the Aggregate Undrawn Amount of the Class A-1A Notes for each day during the Draw Period, except that no Commitment Fee shall be paid with respect to the Aggregate Undrawn Amount attributable to a Holder that has breached its obligation to fund a request for a Borrowing from the date of such breach to and until the date such breach has been cured.

**“Commitment Fee Amount”** means with respect to the Class A-1A Notes as of any Payment Date, the sum of (i) the aggregate amount of Commitment Fee accrued and unpaid as of such Payment Date *plus* (ii) interest accrued for the Interest Period for such Payment Date at the Note Interest Rate of the Class A-1A Notes on any accrued and unpaid Commitment Fees that became payable on any prior Payment Date.

**“Commitment Termination Date”** means with respect to the Commitments, the earliest of: (i) the Stated Maturity, (ii) the date on which the Commitments are reduced to zero and (iii) any date as of which (x) an Event of Default described in clause (g) or (h) of the definition thereof has occurred and is continuing or (y) (A) any other Event of Default there has occurred and is continuing and (B) the Securities have been declared to be due and payable pursuant to the Indenture (or, in the absence of such declaration, the Holders of at least 66 2/3% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1A Notes have directed the Trustee to give notice to the Issuer of the termination of the Commitments under the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement) and in the case of either (x) and (y) the Holders of the Class A-1A Notes have satisfied their funding obligations as a result thereof as described under “Description of the Securities—Class A-1 Funding Allocations.”

**“Controlling Class”** means the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes (voting together as a single Class), so long as any Class A-1 Notes are Outstanding; then the Class A-2 Notes, so long as any Class A-2 Notes are Outstanding; then the Class A-3 Notes, so long as any Class A-3 Notes are Outstanding; then the Class A-4 Notes, so long as any Class A-4 Notes are Outstanding; then the Class B Notes, so long as any Class B Notes are Outstanding; and then the Class C Notes, so long as any Class C are Outstanding.

**“Corporate Trust Office”** means the corporate trust office of the Trustee at which the Trustee performs its duties under the Indenture, currently having an address of 600 Travis Street, 50<sup>th</sup> Floor, Houston, Texas 77002, telecopy no. (713) 216-2101, Attention: Worldwide Securities Services—Liberty CLO, Ltd. or any other address the Trustee designates from time to time by notice to the Noteholders, the Portfolio Manager, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Issuer and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Trustee

**“Credit Improved Obligation”** is any Collateral Obligation that in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, has improved in credit quality; *provided*, that if a Credit Rating Event is in effect, such Collateral Obligation will be considered a Credit Improved Obligation only if in addition to the above:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been upgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing positive credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under the Indenture;

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced a reduction in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral

Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Portfolio Manager (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's);

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has increased by at least 1.00% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Portfolio Manager (*provided* that this subclause (iii)(x) will be deemed satisfied if Market Value increases to 101%), or (y) in the case of a bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more positive than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, plus 3.00%, over the same period; or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Improved Obligation if:

- (i) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Improved Obligation; or
- (ii) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Improved Obligation.

**“Credit Rating Event”** means an event that is in effect if the rating by Moody's:

- (i) of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes, the Class A-1C Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes or the Class A-4 Notes has been withdrawn or is one or more rating sub-categories below its respective Initial Rating; or
- (ii) of the Class B Notes or the Class C Notes has been withdrawn or is two or more rating sub-categories below its respective Initial Rating.

For the purposes of this definition, any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not be effective if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody's has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes, the Class A-1C Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes or the Class A-4 Notes, or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes.

**“Credit Risk Obligation”** means any Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, has a significant risk of declining in credit quality and, with a lapse of time, becoming a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

So long as a Credit Rating Event is in effect, no Collateral Obligation shall be eligible to be a Credit Risk Obligation unless, as of the date of determination:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been downgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing negative credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under the Indenture;

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced an increase in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Portfolio Manager (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody’s);

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has decreased by at least 2.50% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Portfolio Manager, and (y) in the case of a bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more negative, or less positive, as the case may be, than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, less 3.00%, over the same period; or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody’s after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Risk Obligation if:

(a) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Risk Obligation; or

(b) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Risk Obligation.

**“Current-Pay Obligation”** means a Collateral Obligation as to which:

(i) except with respect to a DIP Loan, an insolvency event has occurred with respect to its obligor or as to which its obligor is rated “D” or “SD” by S&P or its obligor has previously been rated “CCC-” by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;

(ii) no default as to the payment of principal or interest with respect to the Collateral Obligation is then continuing and the Portfolio Manager has delivered to the Trustee an officer’s certificate to the effect that the Portfolio Manager expects that the obligor will make payments on the Collateral Obligation as they become due;

(iii) (A) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is at least "Caa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 80% of its Principal Balance, (B) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is less than "Caa1" or is "Caa1" and on credit watch with negative implications, but greater than or equal to Caa2 without credit watch with negative implications, the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 85% of its Principal Balance; *provided* that if the Moody's Rating of the Collateral Obligation has been withdrawn but the obligation had a Moody's rating of at least "Caa2" without credit watch with negative implications at the time of default, such Collateral Obligation may be treated as a Current Pay Obligation if its Market Value is at least equal to 85% of its Principal Balance, or (C) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is less than "Caa2" or is "Caa2" and on credit watch with negative implications, but greater than or equal to "Caa3" without credit watch with negative implications, the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 90% of its Principal Balance; *provided* that if the Moody's Rating of the Collateral Obligation has been withdrawn but the obligation had a Moody's rating of at least "Caa3" without credit watch with negative implications at the time of default, such Collateral Obligation may be treated as a Current Pay Obligation if its Market Value is at least equal to 90% of its Principal Balance;

(iv) if an insolvency event has occurred with respect to the obligor of the Collateral Obligation, a bankruptcy court has authorized the payment of interest payable on the Collateral Obligation; and

(v) the Portfolio Manager has designated in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligation as a Current-Pay Obligation.

If the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations exceeds 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, all or a portion of one or more Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance equal to the amount of the excess shall not be Current-Pay Obligations (and will therefore be Defaulted Collateral Obligations). The Portfolio Manager shall designate in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligations that shall not be Current-Pay Obligations pursuant to the preceding sentence as the Collateral Obligations (or portions thereof) that have the lowest Market Value on any applicable date of determination.

The Portfolio Manager may, by notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator, change the definition of "Current-Pay Obligation" or how Current-Pay Obligations are treated in the Indenture, subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency but without amendment of the Indenture.

**"Current Portfolio"** means, at any time, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations, Principal Proceeds held as Cash on deposit in the Collection Account, and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account that exists before the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or before the acquisition of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**"Deep Discount Obligation"** means, until the average Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation, as determined daily for any period of 30 consecutive days, equals or exceeds 90%, any such Collateral Obligation acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 85% of its Principal Balance. For such purpose, the Market Value Percentage of a Collateral Obligation on a day that is not a Business Day shall be deemed to be the Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation on the immediately preceding Business Day.

**"Defaulted Collateral Obligation"** means any Collateral Obligation or other obligation included in the Collateral:

(i) as to which there has occurred and is continuing a default with respect to the payment of interest or principal with respect to such Collateral Obligation, without giving effect to any applicable grace period or waiver (*provided* that, if the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee in writing that such default is for non-credit related reasons, the related Collateral Obligation shall not be treated as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under this clause (i) unless and until such default has continued for a period of three (3) consecutive Business Days), but, in any case, only until such default has been cured;

(ii) the maturity of all or a portion of the principal amount of such Collateral Obligation has been accelerated as a consequence of a default (other than any payment default) under the instruments evidencing or relating to such Collateral Obligation; unless such default or event of default has been fully cured or waived and is no longer continuing and such acceleration has been rescinded;

(iii) with respect to which there has been effected any distressed exchange or other debt restructuring where the obligor has offered the holders thereof a new security or instrument or package of securities or instruments that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, either (x) amounts to a diminished financial obligation or (y) has the sole purpose of enabling the obligor to avoid a default;

(iv) (1) that is *pari passu* with or subordinated to other indebtedness for borrowed money owing by its obligor (“**Other Indebtedness**”), (2) the obligor has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (without regard to any applicable grace or notice period and without regard to any waiver of the default) on the Other Indebtedness, unless, in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid on the Other Indebtedness and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation and (3) the Portfolio Manager (*provided* that the related Collateral Obligation has not been downgraded after the default on such Other Indebtedness has occurred) determines (in its commercially reasonable judgment) that such Other Indebtedness is material;

(v) (other than a Current-Pay Obligation or a DIP Loan) as to which:

(A) an insolvency event has occurred with respect to its obligor; or

(B) the obligation is rated “D”, “SD”, “C” or “CC” by S&P or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn, or has previously been rated “CCC-” or lower by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;

(vi) if the Collateral Obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation, it is rated “CC” or below by S&P, or it was rated “CC” or below by S&P but the rating has since been withdrawn, or it is rated “Ca” or below by Moody’s, or it was rated “Ca” or below by Moody’s but the rating has since been withdrawn;

(vii) that is a Participation that would, if the underlying Loan were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (v) above or with respect to which the Participating Institution has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Participation;

(viii) that is a Synthetic Security referencing a Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above or with respect to which the Synthetic Security Counterparty has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Synthetic Security;

*provided, however,* with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time: (x) a determination whether the Reference Obligations upon which such Synthetic Security is based would, if such Reference Obligations were Collateral Obligations, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct investment by the Issuer in each of the Reference Obligations on which such Synthetic Security is based in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation and (y) the “Defaulted Collateral Obligation” for purposes of this clause (viii) shall be limited to the Allocable Principal Balance of each Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above;

(ix) that is a Written-Down Obligation;

(x) that is a DIP Loan as to which an order has been entered converting the debtor’s chapter 11 case to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code; or

(xi) that is declared to be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation by the Portfolio Manager.

Any Collateral Obligation that is classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall cease to be so classified if the Collateral Obligation, at any date thereafter,

(1) would not otherwise be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this definition; and

(2) otherwise meets the Eligibility Criteria as of that date.

If any portion of a Collateral Obligation has a maturity later than two years after the Stated Maturity of the Notes due to a change in the payment schedule of the Collateral Obligation occurring after its acquisition by the Issuer, that portion of the Collateral Obligation shall be considered a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**“Defaulted Hedge Termination Payment”** means any termination payment required to be made by the Issuer to a Hedge Counterparty pursuant to a Hedge Agreement upon a termination of the Hedge Agreement in respect of which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**“Defaulted Interest”** means any interest (and in the case of the Class A-1A Notes, the Commitment Fee Amount and in the case of the Class A-1B Notes, the Delayed Drawdown Fee) payable in respect of any Class of Notes that is not punctually paid or duly provided for on the applicable Payment Date or at Stated Maturity.

**“Defaulted Interest Charge”** means to the extent lawful, interest on any Defaulted Interest at the Default Interest Rate.

**“Default Interest Rate”** means, with respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate equal to the Note Interest Rate payable on the Notes of such Class.

**“Deferred Interest Notes”** means the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes.

**“Delayed Drawdown Loan”** means a Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that:

- (i) requires the Issuer to make one or more future advances to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments;
- (ii) specifies a maximum amount that can be borrowed on one or more fixed borrowing dates; and
- (iii) does not permit the re-borrowing of any amount previously repaid.

A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Delayed Drawdown Loan for so long as its Unfunded Amount is greater than zero.

**“Delayed Drawdown Note Agent”** has the meaning specified in the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement.

**“Depository”** or **“DTC”** means The Depository Trust Company and its nominees.

**“Determination Date”** means the last day of any Due Period.

**“DIP Loan”** means any Loan:

- (i) that has a rating assigned by Moody’s (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by Moody’s, the Portfolio Manager has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by Moody’s within five Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer) and a rating assigned by S&P (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by S&P, the Portfolio Manager has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P within two Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer);

- (ii) that is an obligation of a debtor in possession as described in Section 1107 of the Bankruptcy Code or a trustee (if appointment of a trustee has been ordered pursuant to Section 1104 of the Bankruptcy Code) (a **“Debtor”**) organized under the laws of the United States or any state of the United States; and

- (iii) the terms of which have been approved by a final order of the United States Bankruptcy Court, United States District Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, the enforceability of which order is not subject to any pending contested matter or proceeding (as those terms are defined in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure) and which order provides that:

- (A) the Loan is secured by liens on the Debtor’s otherwise unencumbered assets pursuant to Section 364(c)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code;

- (B) the Loan is secured by liens of equal or senior priority on property of the Debtor’s estate that is otherwise subject to a lien pursuant to Section 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code;

- (C) the Loan is fully secured (based on a current valuation or appraisal report) by junior liens on the Debtor’s encumbered assets; or

- (D) if any portion of the Loan is unsecured, the repayment of the Loan retains priority over all other administrative expenses pursuant to Section 364(c)(1) of the



Bankruptcy Code (and in the case of this clause (D), before the acquisition of the Loan, the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency).

“**Diversity Score**” is a single number that indicates collateral concentration in terms of both issuer and industry concentration, calculated as set forth in Schedule 4 to the Indenture.

“**Domicile**” or “**Domiciled**” means, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, (i) the jurisdiction of incorporation, organization or creation of the related obligor or (ii) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that would otherwise be considered to be domiciled pursuant to clause (i) in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction, the jurisdiction in which, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, the related obligor conducts substantially all of its business operations and in which the assets primarily responsible for generating its revenues are located.

“**Drawdown**” has the meaning specified under “Description of the Securities—Class A-1B Notes Drawdowns.”

“**Drawn Amount**” means at any time, (a) with respect to the Class A-1A Notes, the aggregate principal amount of the Class A-1A Notes funded on the Closing Date or by one or more Borrowings after the Closing Date and not repaid hereunder and (ii) with respect to the Class A-1B Notes, the aggregate principal amount of the Class A-1B Notes funded on the Closing Date or by one or more Drawdowns after the Closing Date.

“**Due Period**” means, (a) for all purposes other than payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements, with respect to (i) the first Payment Date, the period from and including the Closing Date to and including February 28, 2006, (ii) the second Payment Date, the period from and including March 1, 2006 up to but excluding the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the second Payment Date and (iii) any Payment Date thereafter, the period from and including the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the previous Payment Date up to but excluding the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the Payment Date (or in the case of the final Payment Date or any Payment Date that is a Redemption Date, through the Business Day before the Payment Date, and (b) for payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements the period from and including the day after the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date from the Closing Date) to but excluding the Payment Date).

“**Eligible Country**” means the United States, Canada and any country classified by Moody’s as a Moody’s Group I Country, Moody’s Group II Country or Moody’s Group III Country; *provided* that such country has not imposed currency exchange controls.

“**Eligible Investments**” means any Dollar-denominated investment that, when it is pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee under the Indenture, is one or more of the following:

- (i) Cash;
- (ii) direct Registered obligations of, and Registered obligations the timely payment of principal and interest on which is fully and expressly guaranteed by, the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States the obligations of which are expressly backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, which in each case are not zero coupon securities;
- (iii) [Reserved];
- (iv) any demand and time deposits in, trust accounts, certificates of deposit payable within 91 days of issuance of, bankers’ acceptances payable within 91 days of issuance issued by, or Federal funds sold by any depository institution or trust company incorporated under the laws of the United States or any state thereof and subject to supervision and examination by Federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or the debt obligations of

such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company), at the time of such investment or contractual commitment providing for such investment and throughout the term of the investment, have a credit rating of not less than “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade, or “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by S&P in the case of commercial paper and short-term debt obligations; *provided that*, in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such investment a long-term credit rating of not less than “AA-” by S&P and “Aa3” by Moody’s and a short-term rating of “A-1+” by S&P and “P-1” by Moody’s, and if so rated, is not on watch for downgrade;

(v) commercial paper or other short-term obligations with a maturity of not more than 183 days from the date of issuance and having at the time of such investment a credit rating of at least “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by S&P, *provided*, that, in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such investment a long-term credit rating of not less than “Aa2” by Moody’s, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(vi) unleveraged repurchase obligations (if treated as debt for tax purposes by the issuer thereof or obligor thereon) with respect to any security described in clause (ii) above entered into with a U.S. federal or state depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (iii) above or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose long-term credit rating is not less than “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade or whose short-term credit rating is “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by S&P at the time of such investment and throughout the term of the investment; *provided*, that, if such repurchase obligation has a maturity of longer than 91 days, the counterparty thereto must also have at the time of such investment and throughout the term of the investment a long-term credit rating of not less than “Aa2” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(vii) any money market fund or similar investment vehicle having at the time of investment therein and throughout the term of the investment a credit rating of “MR1+” by Moody’s and “AAAm” by S&P; including any fund for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee serves as an investment advisor, administrator, shareholder servicing agent, custodian or subcustodian, notwithstanding that (A) the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses from such funds for services rendered (*provided* that such charges, fees and expenses are on terms consistent with terms negotiated at arm’s length) and (B) the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses for services rendered, pursuant to the Indenture; *provided* that (x) such fund or vehicle is formed and has its principal office outside the United States and (y) the ownership of an interest in such fund or vehicle will not subject the Issuer to net income tax in any jurisdiction;

(viii) a guaranteed reinvestment agreement from a bank (if treated as a deposit by such bank), insurance company or other corporation or entity organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (if treated as debt by such insurance company or other corporation or entity), providing for periodic payments thereunder during each Due Period; *provided* that each such agreement provides that it is terminable by the purchaser, without premium or penalty, in the event that the rating assigned to such agreement by either Moody’s or S&P is at any time lower than the then current ratings assigned to the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes, the Class A-1C Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class A-4 Notes, the Class B Notes or the Class C Notes; *provided, further*, that, at the time of investment therein and throughout the term of the investment, the issuer of such agreement has a senior unsecured long-term debt rating, issuer rating or counterparty rating of at least “Aaa” by Moody’s, a short-term debt rating of “P-1” by Moody’s (and not on watch for downgrade), a short-term debt rating of at least “A-1+” by

S&P and a long-term debt rating of at least “AAA” by S&P (and not on watch for downgrade); and

(ix) such other investments with respect to which the Rating Condition is satisfied, if the acquisition (including manner of acquisition), ownership, enforcement and disposition of such investments does not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes;

and, in each case, with a stated maturity (giving effect to any applicable grace period) no later than the Business Day before the Payment Date next succeeding the date of the investment.

Eligible Investments on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account must have a stated maturity no later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase.

Eligible Investments may not include:

(1) any interest-only security, mortgage-backed security, any security purchased at a price in excess of 100% of its par value, or any security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager;

(2) any security whose rating assigned by S&P includes the subscript “r,” “t,” “p,” “pi,” or “q” or that does not have a rating assigned by S&P;

(3) any floating rate security whose interest rate is inversely or otherwise not proportionately related to an interest rate index or is calculated as other than the sum of an interest rate index plus a spread (which spread may be zero);

(4) any security that is subject to an exchange or tender offer; or

(5) any security that has payments subject to foreign or United States withholding tax, unless the obligor thereof is required to make “gross-up” payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax on an after-tax basis.

Eligible Investments may include Eligible Investments for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee provides services. Eligible Investments may not include obligations principally secured by real property.

**“Emerging Market Security”** means a security or obligation issued by a sovereign or non-sovereign issuer located in a country (excluding the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Netherlands Antilles, and the Channel Islands):

(i) that is in Latin America, Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, or the Caribbean; or

(ii) the long-term foreign currency debt obligations of which are rated below “Aa2” or “Aa2” and on credit watch with negative implications by Moody’s or the foreign currency issuer credit rating of which is below “AA” by S&P.

**“Euroclear”** means Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear system.

**“Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations”** as of any date of determination means the Principal Balance of all CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations constituting the excess of (a) the greater of (i) the aggregate principal amount of all Collateral Obligations that have S&P Ratings of “CCC+” or lower

(other than any Defaulted Securities) and (ii) the aggregate principal amount of all Collateral Obligations that have Moody's Default Probability Ratings of "Caa1" or lower (other than any Defaulted Securities) over (b) 7.5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, as of such date of determination. The Portfolio Manager shall designate in writing to the Trustee the CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations that shall constitute the Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations pursuant to the preceding sentence as the CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations (or portions thereof) that have the lowest Market Value on any applicable date of determination.

**"Extension"** means an extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test in accordance with the Indenture.

**"Extension Bonus Payment"** means, with respect to each Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable beneficial owner set forth in "Description of the Securities—Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date" in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes, the Class A-1C Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class A-4 Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class B Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (3) in the case of the Class C Notes, 0.5% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, and (4) in the case of the Class Q-1 Securities, 0.5% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Class C Notes represented by the Class Q-1 Note Component..

**"Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification"** means, with respect to each Maturity Extension and each beneficial owner of Notes (including each beneficial owner of Class Q-1 Securities to the extent of the Class Q-1 Note Component) other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such beneficial owner acceptable to the Issuer to the effect that it held Notes (including Class C Notes represented by the Class Q-1 Note Component) other than Extension Sale Securities on the applicable Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof and wire transfer instructions for the Extension Bonus Payment and any required documentation thereunder (including tax certifications).

**"Extension Determination Date"** means the eighth Business Day prior to each Extension Effective Date.

**"Extension Purchase Price"** means the purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with each Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the applicable Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), (ii) in the case of the Class E Certificates, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Class E Certificates since the Closing Date would cause such Class E Certificates to have received (as of the date of purchase by the Extension Qualifying Purchaser thereof) a Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return of 12% (assuming such purchase date was a "Payment Date" under the Indenture); *provided* that if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received a Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12%, the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Class E Certificates shall be zero; *provided, however* that in the case of the 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> Maturity Extension, for any one Holder of Class E Certificates who holds Class E Certificate with an aggregate "face amount" of at least U.S.\$30,000,000 and cannot consent to the Maturity Extension due to tax, regulatory, compliance or accounting rules or investment policies (whether internally or externally governed), the purchase price payable to such Holder for its Extension Sale Securities consisting of its Class E Certificates will be an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Class E Certificates since the Closing Date would cause such Class E Certificates to have received (as of the date

of purchase by the Extension Qualifying Purchaser thereof) a Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return of 15% (assuming such purchase date was a “Payment Date” under the Indenture), *provided*, that if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holder has received a Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 15%, the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Class E Certificates shall be zero, and (iii) in the case of the Class Q-1 Securities, a purchase price determined based on the respective purchase prices for the Class Q-1 Note Component and the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component thereof.

**“Extension Qualifying Purchasers”** means the Portfolio Manager (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event the Portfolio Manager elects not to purchase Securities from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date,” “Extension Qualifying Purchasers” shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser or the Placement Agent or any of their Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Portfolio Manager; *provided, however*, none of the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

**“Face Amount”** means, with respect to any Class E Certificate, the amount set forth therein as the “face amount” thereof, which “face amount” shall be \$1,000 per Class E Certificate.

**“Finance Lease”** means a lease agreement or other agreement entered into in connection with and evidencing a Leasing Finance Transaction.

**“Fixed Rate Excess”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose numerator is the product of:

- (i) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date over the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test; and
- (ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date;

and whose denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Fixed Rate Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Spread Excess were equal to zero.

**“Fixed Rate Obligation”** means any Collateral Obligation that bears interest at a fixed rate, including a Collateral Obligation that does not bear interest on a floating rate index and whose interest rate is scheduled to increase one or more times over the life of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Floating Rate Obligation”** means any Collateral Obligation that bears interest based on a floating rate index.

**“Form-Approved Synthetic Security”** means a Synthetic Security:

- (i) (A) each of the Reference Obligations of which satisfy the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and either (x) is in a form which conforms to a form that has been expressly identified and approved in writing in connection with a request under this Indenture by S&P, has an S&P Recovery Rate assigned by S&P and each of the Reference Obligations of which could be purchased by the Issuer without satisfaction of

the Rating Condition or any other action by the Rating Agencies or (y) which the Rating Agencies have otherwise approved; or

(B) each of the Reference Obligations of which would satisfy clause (A) above but for the currency in which the Reference Obligation is payable and the Synthetic Security is payable in Dollars, does not provide for physical settlement, and does not expose the Issuer to Dollar currency risk;

(ii) the Synthetic Security Agreement of which conforms (but for the amount and timing of periodic payments, the name of the Reference Obligation, the notional amount, the effective date, the termination date, and other similar necessary changes) to a form that has been expressly identified and approved in writing in connection with a request under the Indenture by Moody's and S&P; and

(iii) that is with a counterparty with respect to which the Rating Condition has been satisfied by each of Moody's and S&P prior to the acquisition of any such Form-Approved Synthetic Security, and such approval has not been withdrawn.

Moody's or S&P may at any time, by notice to the Portfolio Manager, withdraw its approval of any such form. A withdrawal of approval shall have no effect on any Synthetic Security acquired, entered into, or committed to before the date on which the Portfolio Manager receives the notice of withdrawal.

**"Fully Drawn Amount"** means the maximum aggregate principal amount that can be drawn under the Class A-1B Notes, in an amount equal to U.S.\$50,000,000.

**"Hedge Agreements"** means, collectively, all interest rate cap or interest rate swap agreements between the Issuer and any Hedge Counterparty, and any replacement agreement entered into pursuant to the Indenture.

**"Hedge Counterparty"** means a counterparty which as of the date the Issuer enters into any Hedge Agreement with such counterparty satisfies the requirements of the Indenture or for which the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied.

**"Hedge Termination Receipt"** means any termination payment paid by the Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer upon any early termination of a Hedge Agreement with respect to which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**"High-Yield Bond"** means any debt security other than a Loan, including any Structured Finance Obligation, that is either Registered or, if not Registered, (i) it is issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States, (ii) the payments on it are not subject to United States withholding tax and (iii) it is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation Section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**"Holder"** means, with respect to any Note, Class Q-1 Security and Class P Security, the person whose name appears on the Indenture Register as the registered holder of such Security, as applicable; and with respect to any Class E Certificate, the person whose name appears in the Class E Certificate register related thereto as the registered holder of such Class E Certificate.

**"Indenture Register"** means the register caused to be kept by the Issuer for the purpose of registering Notes and transfers of the Notes as provided in the Indenture.

**"Indenture Registrar"** means the Bank in its capacity as Indenture registrar as provided in the Indenture.

“**Indenture Securities**” means the Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities, the Class P-1 Securities and/or the Class P-2 Securities.

“**Initial Consent Period**” means the period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee provided notice of a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of Securities.

“**Initial Rating**” means, the ratings with respect to each Class of Securities assigned by Moody’s and S&P on the Closing Date as provided in the table in “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.”

“**Interest Period**” means, initially, the period from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the first Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date; *provided* that with respect to any Borrowing made under the Class A-1A Notes and any Drawdown made under the Class A-1B Notes, the first Interest Period shall be the period from and including the date of such Borrowing or Drawdown, as applicable, to but excluding the Payment Date following such date, unless in the case of a Borrowing, the date of such Borrowing falls in the period from and including a Determination Date to and including the day prior to the related Payment Date, in which case such first Interest Period shall run from and including the date of such Borrowing to but excluding the second Payment Date following such date.

“**Interest Proceeds**” means, with respect to any Due Period, the sum (without duplication) of all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period (or as otherwise specified below) by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are:

(i) payments of interest, fees (including commitment fees with respect to the Unfunded Amount of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan), and commissions (excluding (A) Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal, (B) interest and dividends on Workout Assets, (C) fees and commissions from Defaulted Collateral Obligations, and (D) syndication and other up-front fees and any up-front fixed payments received in connection with entering into a Synthetic Security);

(ii) any portion of the Sale Proceeds of a Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) representing Accrued Interest On Sale;

(iii) all payments of principal on, or disposition proceeds from the sale of, Eligible Investments to the extent purchased with Interest Proceeds;

(iv) payments with respect to the Hedge Agreements received on or before the related Payment Date other than (x) any amount payable under any Hedge Agreement because of any early termination or notional amount reduction, (y) any Sale Proceeds with respect to any Hedge Agreement (except to the extent that they were purchased with Interest Proceeds) and (z) any payments (including any Sale Proceeds purchased with Interest Proceeds) with respect to any Hedge Agreement used in entering into a replacement Hedge Agreement;

(v) all fees received pursuant to any Securities Lending Agreements;

(vi) during the continuance of an “event of default” (under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement), all interest received from the related Securities Lending Collateral;

(vii) amounts in the Collection Account designated for distribution as Interest Proceeds pursuant to the Priority of Payments (including any amount transferred from the Interest Reserve Account);

(viii) all earnings on amounts in the Revolving Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.3(b) of the Indenture;

(ix) amounts in the Expense Reimbursement Account on the Payment Date for the relevant Due Period;

(x) any recoveries (including interest) received on a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in excess of the principal balance of such Defaulted Collateral Obligation (as of the date the related Collateral Obligation became a Defaulted Collateral Obligation).

Interest Proceeds shall not include earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

Each reference in the definition of “Interest Proceeds” to a Collateral Obligation shall include a Collateral Obligation that has been loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and Interest Proceeds shall include any amounts referred to in clauses (i) through (iii) above received by the Issuer in respect of the Collateral Obligation indirectly from the related Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement.

For the avoidance of doubt, “Interest Proceeds” will not include the Class P Collateral or any proceeds thereof.

**“Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance”** means, for any Collateral Obligation other than Deep Discount Obligations, its Principal Balance; and for any Deep Discount Obligation its Purchase Price; *provided, however*, that the Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance for any Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligation shall be the product of (i) its Principal Balance and (ii) the lower of (a) the weighted average Market Value (for this purpose expressed as a percentage of principal balance) of all Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances and (b) 70%.

**“Investment Obligation”** means, for a Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security, and otherwise the Collateral Obligation.

**“Issuer Charter”** means the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Issuer, as amended and restated before the Closing Date or in accordance with the Indenture.

**“Issuer Order”** and **“Issuer Request”** means a written order or request dated and signed in the name of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, or by the Portfolio Manager by an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

**“Junior Class”** means, with respect to a particular Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that is subordinated to that Class, as indicated under “Description of the Securities—Status and Security.”

**“Leasing Finance Transaction”** means any transaction pursuant to which the obligations of the lessee to pay rent or other amounts on a triple net basis under any lease of (or other arrangement conveying the right to use) real or personal property, or a combination thereof, are required to be classified and accounted for as a capital lease on a balance sheet of such lessee under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America; but only if (a) such lease or other transaction provides for the unconditional obligation of the lessee to pay a stated amount of principal no later than a stated maturity date, together with interest thereon, and the payment of such obligation is not subject to any material non-credit related risk as determined by the Portfolio Manager, (b) the obligations of the lessee in respect of such lease or other transaction are fully secured, directly or indirectly, by the property that is the subject of such lease and (c) the interest held by the Issuer in respect of such lease or other transaction is treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.



**“Loan”** means any interest in a fully committed, senior secured, unsecured, or revolving loan (including loans involving credit linked deposits) that is acquired by assignment or by Participation (including any DIP Loan) that is either:

- (i) Registered; or
- (ii) issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States;
  - (A) whose payments are not subject to United States withholding tax; and
  - (B) that is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**“Long-Dated Collateral Obligation”** means any Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturity of the Notes other than a Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturities of the Notes that includes a “put” option to its obligor at a price of at least par payable on or before the Stated Maturity of the Notes; *provided* that such Collateral Obligation shall in no event have a stated maturity later than two years after the Stated Maturity Date of the Notes.

**“Majority”** means with respect to any Class or group of Indenture Securities (other than the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities) or the Class E Certificates, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Class E Certificates, as the case may be. Holders of Class Q-1 Securities will be included in the determination of a Majority of Holders of Class C Notes as if they were Holders of the Class C Notes in the Aggregate Outstanding Amount represented by the Class Q-1 Note Component and in the determination of a Majority of Holders of the Class E Certificates as if they were Holders of the number of Class E Certificates represented by the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component. Holders of the Class P-1 Securities and the Class P-2 Securities will be included in the determination of a Majority of Holders of the Class E Certificates as if they were Holders of the number of Class E Certificates represented by the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component or the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component, as applicable. With respect to the Class Q-1 Securities as such, the Class P-1 Securities as such and the Class P-2 Securities as such “Majority” means the Holders of more than 50% of the respective stated amount thereof.

**“Management Agreement”** means the Portfolio Management Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**“Margin Stock”** means “Margin Stock” as defined under Regulation U issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, including any debt security that is by its terms convertible into Margin Stock.

**“Market Value”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Portfolio Manager and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any Collateral Obligation based upon the Portfolio Manager’s commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from three independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the lower of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from two independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the bid-side prices for the purchase of the Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (independent from the Portfolio Manager) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (independent from the Portfolio Manager); *provided* that if a Market Value of any Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined for a period of 30 consecutive days then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero; *provided, further*, that during such 30 day period, such Collateral Obligation shall be

deemed to have a Market Value equal to the lower of (i) (if any) the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as most recently determined by the Portfolio Manager in accordance with the foregoing and (ii) the current market value of such Collateral Obligation as determined by the Portfolio Manager in its commercially reasonable judgment; *provided, further*, that the maximum amount of Collateral Obligations having a Market Value assigned pursuant to the immediately preceding proviso shall be limited to 5.0% of the Maximum Investment Amount (and any amount in excess of 5.0% of the Maximum Investment Amount shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero).

**“Market Value Percentage”** means, for any Collateral Obligation, the ratio obtained by dividing:

- (i) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation; by
- (ii) the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Maximum Investment Amount”** means an amount equal to:

- (i) on any Measurement Date during the Ramp-Up Period, U.S.\$900,000,000; and
- (ii) on any Measurement Date after the Ramp-Up Completion Date:
  - (A) the aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations plus the aggregate outstanding principal amount of any Defaulted Collateral Obligations; *plus*
  - (B) Cash representing Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
  - (C) Eligible Investments (other than cash) purchased by the Issuer with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; plus
  - (D) without duplication, an amount equal to the excess of (x) the Aggregate Undrawn Amount of Class A-1A Notes over (y) the Aggregate Unfunded Amount minus the amount credited to the Revolving Reserve Account; plus
  - (E) without duplication, an amount equal to the Aggregate Undrawn Amount of the Class A-1B Notes.

**“Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the sum of (i) the number set forth in the column entitled “Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Portfolio Manager (or the interpolation between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable) *plus* (ii) the Recovery Rate Modifier.

**“Measurement Date”** means any date:

- (i) on which the Issuer commits to acquire or dispose of any Collateral Obligation;
- (ii) on which a Collateral Obligation becomes a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
- (iii) that is a Determination Date;
- (iv) that is the Ramp-Up Completion Date; and

(v) as of which the information in a Monthly Report is calculated pursuant to the Indenture.

**“Minimum Diversity Score”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a score equal to the number set forth in the column entitled “Minimum Diversity Score” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Portfolio Manager (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**“Minimum Weighted Average Commitment Fee”** means, as of any Measurement Date, 0.4%.

**“Minimum Weighted Average Spread”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the spread equal to the percentage set forth in the row entitled “Minimum Weighted Average Spread” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Portfolio Manager (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**“Monthly Report”** means a monthly report compiled and provided by the Issuer.

**“Moody’s Default Probability Rating”** means with respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (i) with respect to a Moody’s Senior Secured Loan:
  - (A) if the Loan’s obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody’s, such corporate family rating; and
  - (B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody’s Obligation Rating of such Loan;
  - (C) if the preceding clauses do not apply, the rating that is one subcategory above the Moody’s Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating;
- (ii) with respect to a Moody’s Non Senior Secured Loan or a bond, the Moody’s Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating of such Collateral Obligation;
- (iii) with respect to a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the rating that is one rating subcategory below the Assigned Moody’s Rating thereof;
- (iv) with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation, the Assigned Moody’s Rating thereof (or, if the obligation does not have an Assigned Moody’s Rating but has a rating by S&P, the rating that is the number of rating subcategories specified by Moody’s below such S&P rating); and
- (v) with respect to a Synthetic Security, the Assigned Moody’s Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody’s rating or ratings used to determine the Moody’s Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody’s, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

**“Moody’s Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating”** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation that is a Loan or bond and the obligor thereof, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

(i) if the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating;

(ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's "Issuer Rating" for the obligor;

(iii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, then:

(A) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "B3" (and, if rated "B3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one rating subcategory higher than such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(B) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "B3" (or rated "B3" and on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be such Assigned Moody's Rating;

(iv) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, then:

(A) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "Caa3" (and, if rated "Caa3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one subcategory below such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(B) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "Caa3" (or rated "Caa3" and on watch for downgrade), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be "C";

(v) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but such obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be one rating subcategory below such corporate family rating;

(vi) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(B) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; or

(C) "B3" until the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (a) the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating no lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (vi)(C), or clauses (vii)(C) or (viii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(vii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(B) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (iii) above; or

(C) "B3" until the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (a) the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (vii)(C), or clauses (vi)(C) or (viii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(viii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(B) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (iv) above; or

(C) "B3" until the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (a) the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (viii)(C), or clauses (vi)(C) or (vii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(ix) if the preceding clauses do not apply and each of the following clauses (A) through (H) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa1":

(A) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings;

(B) no debt securities or obligations of the obligor are in default;

(C) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates has defaulted on any debt during the preceding two years;

(D) the obligor has been in existence for the preceding five years;

(E) the obligor is current on any cumulative dividends;

(F) the fixed-charge ratio for the obligor exceeds 125% for each of the preceding two fiscal years and for the most recent quarter;

(G) the obligor had a net profit before tax in the past fiscal year and the most recent quarter; and

(H) the annual financial statements of such obligor are unqualified and certified by a firm of independent accountants of international reputation, and quarterly statements are unaudited but signed by a corporate officer;

(x) if the preceding clauses do not apply but each of the following clauses (A) and (B) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa3":

(A) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings; and

(B) no debt security or obligation of such obligor has been in default during the past two years; and

(xi) if the preceding clauses do not apply and a debt security or obligation of the obligor has been in default during the past two years, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Ca."

Notwithstanding the foregoing, not more than 10% of the Maximum Investment Amount may consist of Investment Obligations given a Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating based on a rating given by S&P as provided in clauses (vi), (vii) and (viii) above.

**"Moody's Group I Country"** means any of the following countries: Australia, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group I Country.

**"Moody's Group II Country"** means any of the following countries: Germany, Ireland, Sweden, Switzerland and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group II Country.

**"Moody's Group III Country"** means any of the following countries: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, Spain and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group III Country.

**"Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan"** means any Loan that is not a Moody's Senior Secured Loan.

**"Moody's Obligation Rating"** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

(i) With respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:

(A) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the rating that is one rating subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and

(ii) With respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a bond:

(A) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and

(iii) With respect to a Synthetic Security or a DIP Loan, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

**"Moody's Priority Category"** means each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" as a "Moody's Priority Category."

**"Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate"** means for any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" opposite the Moody's Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Rating"** means the Moody's Default Probability Rating; *provided* that, with respect to the Collateral Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or any successor to it ceases to provide rating services, references to rating categories of Moody's in the Indenture shall be deemed instead to be references to the equivalent categories of any other nationally recognized investment rating agency selected by the Portfolio Manager, as of the most recent date on which such other rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which such alternative rating agency is used.

**"Moody's Rating Factor"** means the number in the table below opposite the rating of the Collateral Obligation (excluding Synthetic Securities where an Assigned Moody's Rating is not available).

<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>	<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>
Aaa	1	Ba1	940
Aa1	10	Ba2	1350
Aa2	20	Ba3	1766
Aa3	40	B1	2220
A1	70	B2	2720
A2	120	B3	3490
A3	180	Caa1	4770
Baa1	260	Caa2	6500
Baa2	360	Caa3	8070
Baa3	610	Ca or lower	10000

The Moody's Rating Factor for Collateral Obligations that are Synthetic Securities shall be determined by Moody's and obtained by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on a case-by-case basis, unless there is an Assigned Moody's Rating available for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, in which case such Assigned Moody's Rating shall be used to compute the Moody's Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security.

**"Moody's Senior Secured Loan"** means:

(i) A Loan that:

(A) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan;

(B) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan; and

(C) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal seniority secured by a first lien or security interest in the same collateral; or

(ii) a Loan that:

(A) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan, other than, with respect to a Loan described in clause (i) above, with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such loan;

(B) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan; and



(C) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by a first or second lien or security interest in the same collateral;

*provided* that such a second-lien Loan will only constitute a Moody's Senior Secured Loan if its has an Assigned Moody's Rating that is not lower than the corporate family rating by Moody's of the related obligor; and

(iii) the Loan is not: (A) a DIP Loan, (B) a Loan for which the security interest or lien (or the validity or effectiveness thereof) in substantially all of its collateral attaches, becomes effective, or otherwise "springs" into existence after the origination thereof, or (C) a type of loan that Moody's has identified as having unusual terms and with respect to which its Moody's Recovery Rate has been or is to be determined on a case-by-case basis.

**"Non-Consenting Holder"** means in connection with any supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, with respect to the Holders of the Securities, any such Holder or, in the case of such Securities represented by Global Securities, any beneficial owner thereof, that either (i) has declared in writing that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) had not consented to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

**"Non-Performing Collateral Obligation"** means any Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any PIK Security as to which its issuer or obligor has previously deferred or capitalized any interest due on it and all the interest so deferred or capitalized has not subsequently been paid in full in cash by:

(i) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above, the earlier of its second payment date or one year following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it; or

(ii) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "Baa3," or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "BBB-," the earlier of its first payment date or six months following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it.

**"Noteholder"** means a Holder of any Class of Notes (which shall include Holders of the Class Q-1 Securities to the extent of the Class Q-1 Note Component).

**"Notes"** means the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes, the Class A-1C Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class A-4 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes.

**"Obligor"**: With respect to a Collateral Obligation (other than a Synthetic Security) or a Reference Obligation (in the case of a Synthetic Security), the applicable issuer, borrower or guarantor (which in any case is a corporation, company, partnership or trust), or any successor thereto with respect to such Collateral Obligation or Reference Obligation.

**"Offer"** means a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion or other similar action.

**"Officer"** means, with respect to the Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer,

or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to the Co-Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to any partnership, any of its general partners; and with respect to the Trustee, any Trust Officer.

**“Outstanding”** means, with respect to: (i) the Notes or any specified Class, as of any date of determination, all of the Notes, or all of the Notes of the specified Class, as the case may be, theretofore authenticated and delivered under the Indenture, (ii) with respect to the Class Q-1 Securities, as of any date of determination, all Class Q-1 Securities theretofore authenticated and delivered under the Indenture, and (iii) the Class P-1 Securities and the Class P-2 Securities, as of any date of determination, all Class P-1 Securities and Class P-2 Securities, as applicable, theretofore authenticated and delivered under the Indenture, in each case except Notes, Class Q-1 Securities and Class P Securities, as applicable,;

(A) canceled by the Indenture Registrar or delivered to the Indenture Registrar for cancellation;

(B) for whose payment or redemption funds in the necessary amount have been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for their Holders pursuant to Section 4.1(a)(ii) of the Indenture and if the Securities are to be redeemed, notice of redemption has been duly given pursuant to the Indenture;

(C) in exchange for or in lieu of which other Securities have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to the Indenture; and

(D) alleged to have been destroyed, lost, or stolen for which replacement Securities have been issued as provided in Section 2.7 of the Indenture, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Securities are held by a protected purchaser;

(ii) the Class E Certificates, as of any date of determination, all of the Class E Certificates theretofore issued under the Class E Certificate Documents and listed in the Class E Certificate register of the Issuer as outstanding:

*provided that*, in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes, Class Q-1 Securities, Class P Securities or the Class E Certificates have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, or waiver under the Indenture: (i) the Class C Notes represented by the Class Q-1 Note Component will be considered to be Class C Notes and Holders of Class Q-1 Securities will be entitled to vote the Class C Notes represented by the Class Q-1 Note Component, and (B) the Class E Certificates represented by any Class E Certificate Component will be considered to be Class E Certificates and Holders of the Class Q-1 Securities will be entitled to vote the Class E Certificates represented by the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component, Holders of the Class P-1 Securities will be entitled to vote the Class E Certificates represented by the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component and Holders of the Class P-2 Securities will be entitled to vote the Class E Certificates represented by the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component; (ii) Securities owned or beneficially owned by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, any Affiliate of either of them will be disregarded and not be Outstanding and (iii) only (x) with respect to any matter affecting its status as Portfolio Manager, or (y) in any matter respecting an acceleration of any Class of Securities if the effect of the Portfolio Manager’s action or inaction as a Holder of Securities would effectively prevent acceleration) the Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates and any accounts over which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority, shall be disregarded and not be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, or waiver, only Securities that a Trust Officer of the Trustee has actual knowledge to be so owned or beneficially owned shall be so disregarded. Securities so owned or beneficially owned that have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee

establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee the pledgee's right so to act with respect to the Securities and that the pledgee is not the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent or any Affiliate of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

**"Participating Institution"** means an institution that creates a participation interest and that has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" (and if so rated by Moody's such rating is not on watch for possible downgrade) and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A".

**"Participation"** means a Loan acquired as a participation interest created by a Participating Institution.

**"Permitted Offer"** means an Offer, pursuant to which the offeror offers to acquire a debt obligation (including a Collateral Obligation) in exchange solely for cash in an amount equal to or greater than the full face amount of the debt obligation plus any accrued and unpaid interest and as to which the Portfolio Manager has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the offeror has sufficient access to financing to consummate the Offer.

**"PIK Cash-Pay Interest"** means as to any PIK Security, the portion of interest required to be paid in cash (and not permitted to be added to the balance of such PIK Security or otherwise deferred and accrued) thereon pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments.

**"PIK Security"** means any loan or debt obligation on which any portion of the interest accrued for a specified period of time or until the maturity thereof is, or at the option of the obligor may be, added to the principal balance of such loan or debt obligation or otherwise deferred rather than being paid in cash, *provided* that such loan or debt obligation shall not be a PIK Security if the related PIK Cash-Pay Interest, if any, would result in the outstanding principal amount of such loan or debt obligation having an effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest at least equal to (i) if such loan or debt obligation is a fixed rate loan or debt obligation, 4.0% per annum, or (ii) if such loan or debt obligation is a floating rate loan or debt obligation, LIBOR.

**"Pledged Obligations"** means, as of any date of determination, the Collateral Obligations, the Workout Assets, the Eligible Investments, and any other securities or obligations that have been granted to the Trustee that form part of the Collateral.

**"Person"** is an individual, corporation (including a business trust), partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust (including any beneficiary thereof), unincorporated association or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

**"Principal Balance"** means, with respect to:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those specifically covered in this definition, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) any Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in such Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Pledged Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest, zero, except as otherwise expressly specified in the Indenture;
- (iv) any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, except as otherwise provided, zero;
- (v) any Collateral Obligation that has been loaned, its outstanding principal amount reduced by the excess of the amount of collateral required over the actual Market Value of the collateral;

(vi) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its funded principal amount outstanding plus any Unfunded Amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the Unfunded Amount), except as otherwise expressly specified in the Indenture;

(vii) any PIK Security and any Collateral Obligation that would be a PIK Security but for the proviso in the definition thereof, its outstanding principal amount but excluding any principal amount representing previously deferred or capitalized interest; and

(viii) any obligation or security that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, zero.

**"Principal Proceeds"** means with respect to any Due Period (i) all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are not Interest Proceeds and (ii) the net proceeds received from any additional issuance of Class E Certificates.

Principal Proceeds shall include any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account into the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.2 of the Indenture.

Principal Proceeds do not include the earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

At any time when an "event of default" under a Securities Lending Agreement has occurred and is continuing, any payments received by the Issuer from the related Securities Lending Collateral shall be Principal Proceeds.

**"Priority Class"** means, with respect to any specified Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that ranks senior to that Class, as indicated under "Description of the Securities—Status and Security."

**"Proceeding"** means any suit in equity, action at law, or other judicial or administrative proceeding.

**"Proposed Portfolio"** means, as of any Measurement Date, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations and Principal Proceeds held as Cash on deposit in the Collection Account and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account resulting from the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or a proposed reinvestment in a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**"Purchase Price"** means, with respect to the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (other than any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation), the net purchase price paid by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation. The net purchase price is determined by subtracting from the purchase price the amount of any Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal and any syndication and other upfront fees paid to the Issuer and by adding the amount of any related transaction costs (including assignment fees) paid by the Issuer to the seller of the Collateral Obligation or its agent.

**"Purchase Price Amount"** means, respect to any Collateral Obligation on any date of determination, the product of (i) the Purchase Price (stated as a percentage) thereof and (ii) the Principal Balance thereof on such date.

**"Qualified Equity Security"** means any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that is stock or evidence of an interest in or a right to buy stock, or any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation but whose acquisition otherwise is a

transaction in stocks or securities within the meaning of Section 864(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Code and the regulations under the Code. Qualified Equity Securities do not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation and that will cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in or having income from a United States trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes by virtue of its ownership or disposition of the obligation (without regard to the Issuer's other activities).

**“Ramp-Up Period”** means the period from and including the Closing Date to and including the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

**“Rating Agency”** means, each of Moody's and S&P or, with respect to Pledged Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or S&P ceases to provide rating services with respect to high yield debt securities, any other nationally recognized statistical rating organization selected by the Issuer and reasonably satisfactory to a Majority of each Class of Notes, and, in the case of Moody's ceasing to provide rating services only, a Majority of each of the Class Q-1 Securities, the Class P-1 Securities and the Class P-2 Securities. If at any time Moody's ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of Moody's in the Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used. If at any time S&P ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of S&P in the Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and S&P published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used.

**“Rating Condition”** means with respect to any action taken or to be taken under the Indenture, a condition that is satisfied when both Rating Agencies, or, if expressly stated, a specified Rating Agency, has confirmed to the Portfolio Manager (as agent for the Issuer) in writing that no withdrawal, reduction, suspension, or other adverse action with respect to any then current rating by it (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Securities will occur as a result of the action. The Rating Condition with respect to any Rating Agency shall be satisfied for all purposes of the Indenture at any time when no Outstanding Securities are rated by it.

**“Rating Confirmation”** means confirmation from each Rating Agency that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Securities.

**“Rating Criteria”**: Criteria that will be satisfied on any date with respect to any Holder of Class A-1A Notes and any Holder of Class A-1B Notes, as applicable, if the short-term debt, deposit or similar obligations of such Holder (or its guarantor) are on such date rated at least “P-1” (but not “P-1” on credit watch for downgrade) by Moody's and “A-1” by S&P (but not “A-1” on credit watch for downgrade).

**“Ratings Matrix”** means the “row/column combination” of the table below selected by the Portfolio Manager on the Closing Date to apply initially for purposes of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test. Thereafter, on notice to the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager may select a different row of the Ratings Matrix to apply, or may interpolate between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable, on a straight-line basis and round the results to two decimal points.

Minimum Weighted Average Spread	Minimum Diversity Score						
	50	55	60	65	70	75	80
2.2%	2070	2100	2130	2160	2190	2220	2250
2.3%	2130	2160	2190	2220	2250	2280	2310
2.4%	2190	2220	2250	2280	2310	2340	2370
2.5%	2250	2280	2310	2340	2370	2400	2430
2.6%	2310	2340	2370	2400	2430	2460	2490
2.7%	2370	2400	2430	2460	2490	2520	2550
2.8%	2430	2460	2490	2520	2550	2580	2610
2.9%	2490	2520	2550	2580	2610	2640	2670
3.0%	2550	2580	2610	2640	2670	2700	2730
Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor							

of: “**Recovery Rate Modifier**” means, as of any Measurement Date, the lesser of 60 and the product

(i) (a) the Moody's Weighted Average Recovery Rate *minus* the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test (but not less than zero) *multiplied* by (b) 100; and

(ii) 40.

“**Redemption Date**” means any Payment Date specified for an Optional Redemption under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

“**Redemption Price**” means with respect to any Optional Redemption and (a) any Note (other than the Class A-1A Notes), an amount equal to:

- (i) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of the Note being redeemed; *plus*
- (ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest); *plus*
- (iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note; *plus*
- (iv) in the case of the Class A-1B Notes, any accrued and unpaid Delayed Drawdown Fee; *plus*
- (v) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note;

(b) any Class A-1A Note, an amount equal to:

- (i) 100% of the Drawn Amount of such Class A-1A Note to be redeemed, *plus*
- (ii) accrued and unpaid interest thereon (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest), *plus*
- (iii) and any accrued and unpaid Commitment Fee Amount, *plus*
- (iv) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

With respect to any Optional Redemption of the Class E Certificates, “Redemption Price” means (i) the entire remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications pursuant to the Priority of Payments or (ii) as otherwise specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Class E Certificates, in each case, as specified in “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Class E Certificates.”

“**Reference Obligation**” means an obligation that would, if acquired directly by the Issuer, satisfy the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and on which a Synthetic Security is based.

“**Registered**” means, with respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment, means that it is issued after July 18, 1984 and is in registered form within the meaning of Section 881(c)(2)(B)(i) of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.

“**Regulation D**” means Regulation D under the Securities Act.

“**Reinvestment Overcollateralization Ratio**” means, as of any Measurement Date, the ratio obtained by dividing: (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator by (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class A-4 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any Deferred Interest, if any, on those Classes of Notes).

“**Reinvestment Overcollateralization Ratio Test**” means, a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 104.8%.

“**Removal Buy-Out Purchaser**” means the Portfolio Manager or other applicable purchaser under the relevant provisions of the Management Agreement.

“**Repository**” means the internet-based password protected electronic repository of transaction documents relating to privately offered and sold collateralized debt obligation securities located at “www.cdolibrary.com” operated by The Bond Market Association. Information on this website is not considered part of this Offering Memorandum in any way.

“**Revolver Funding Reserve Amount**” means an amount, which cannot be negative, equal to the sum of (a) the Aggregate Unfunded Amount for all Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans minus (b) the Aggregate Undrawn Amount of the Class A-1A Notes; *provided, however*, for purposes of this definition, the Aggregate Undrawn Amount of Class A-1A Notes used in such calculation shall not include the portion of the Aggregate Undrawn Amount attributable to each Holder of Class A-1A Notes at any time and for so long as and to the extent (x) such Holder does not meet the Rating Criteria and (y) has failed to fund the Undrawn Amount of its Class A-1A Notes when required to do so under the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement.

“**Revolving Loan**” means a Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation (in each case excluding any Delayed Drawdown Loan) that requires the Issuer to make future advances to (or for the account of) the borrower under its Underlying Instruments (including any letter of credit for which the Issuer is required to reimburse the issuing bank for under it). A Loan or Synthetic Security will only be considered to be a Revolving Loan for so long as its Unfunded Amount is greater than zero.

“**Revolving Note Agent**” has the meaning specified in the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement.

“**Revolving Reserve Account**” has the meaning specified in “Summary of Terms—Use of Proceeds.”

**“S&P CDO Monitor”** means a dynamic, analytical computer model developed by S&P that may be modified by S&P from time to time and provided to the Portfolio Manager and the Collateral Administrator to be used to calculate the default frequency in terms of the amount of debt assumed to default as a percentage of the original principal amount of the Collateral Obligations consistent with a specified benchmark rating level based on certain assumptions and S&P’s proprietary corporate default studies. For the purpose (and only for the purpose) of applying the S&P CDO Monitor to a portfolio of obligations, for each obligation in the portfolio, the rating of the obligation shall be its S&P Rating.

**“S&P Industry Classification”** means the S&P Industry Classifications in Schedule 3 of the Indenture as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by S&P.

**“S&P Priority Category”** means each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of “Applicable Percentage” as an “S&P Priority Category.”

**“S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate”** means, for any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of “Applicable Percentage” opposite the S&P Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**“S&P Rating”** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following methodology:

(i) If there is an issuer credit rating of the borrower of the Collateral Obligation (the **“Borrower”**), or the guarantor who unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the Collateral Obligation (the **“Guarantor”**) by S&P, the most current issuer credit rating for such Borrower or Guarantor;

(ii) (a) if there is not an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation will be one subcategory below such rating; (b) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior unsecured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be such rating; and (c) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a subordinated obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be two subcategories above such rating if such rating is “BBB-” or higher and will be one subcategory above such rating if such rating is “BB+” or lower; or

(iii) if there is neither an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P nor a rating by S&P on an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating may be determined using any one of the methods below:

(A) if an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is publicly rated by Moody’s, then the S&P Rating will be determined in accordance with the methodologies for establishing the Moody’s Default Probability Rating, except that the S&P Rating of such obligation will be (1) one subcategory below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody’s if such security is rated “Baa3” or higher by Moody’s and (2) two subcategories below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody’s if such security is rated “Ba1” or lower by Moody’s; *provided* that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount (which concentration may be increased to 10% upon satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to S&P) may be given a S&P Rating based on a rating given by Moody’s as provided in this subclause (A) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);



(B) if no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's, then the Portfolio Manager may apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating estimate, which will be its S&P Rating; or

(C) (1) if such Collateral Obligation (other than a Current-Pay Obligation) is not rated by Moody's or S&P, no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's and if the Portfolio Manager determines in its sole discretion based on information available to it after reasonable inquiry that such Borrower (x) is not subject to any bankruptcy or reorganization proceedings nor in default on any of its obligations (unless the subject of a good faith business dispute), (y) is a legally constituted corporate entity having the minimum legal, financial and operational infrastructure to carry on a definable business, deliver and sell a product or service and report its results in generally accepted accounting terms as verified by a reputable audit firm and (z) is not so vulnerable to adverse business, financial and economic conditions that default in its financial or other obligations is foreseeable in the near term if current operating trends continue, then the S&P Rating will be "B-"; *provided* that the Portfolio Manager must apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating on such Borrower within 30 days after the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation; *provided, further*, that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount may be given an S&P Rating based on this subclause (C) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable) or (2) if such Collateral Obligation is a Current-Pay Obligation and is not rated by Moody's or S&P and no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's, then the S&P Rating will be "CCC-";

*provided* that, if (i) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any positive "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be increased by one rating subcategory or (ii) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any negative "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be decreased by one rating subcategory.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the S&P Rating shall be (A) the rating assigned thereto by S&P if the rating is public, (B) the rating assigned by S&P if the rating is confidential, but only if all appropriate parties have provided written consent to its disclosure and use, (C) the rating assigned by S&P thereto through an estimated rating or (D) the rating assigned thereto by S&P in connection with the acquisition thereof upon the request of the Portfolio Manager. In the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a PIK Security, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Security, the S&P Rating may not be determined pursuant to clause (iii)(A) above.

S&P Ratings for entities or obligations relevant hereunder other than Borrowers and Collateral Obligations shall be determined in a corresponding manner.

**"S&P Unrated DIP Loan"** means a DIP Loan acquired by the Issuer that does not have a rating assigned by S&P and for which the Portfolio Manager has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P (as specified in the definition of "DIP Loan").

**"Sale Proceeds"** means all proceeds received (including any proceeds received with respect to any associated interest rate swap or security providing fixed annuity payments) with respect to Collateral Obligations or other Pledged Obligations as a result of their sales or other dispositions less any reasonable expenses expended by the Portfolio Manager or the Trustee in connection with the sales or other dispositions, which shall be paid from such proceeds notwithstanding their characterization otherwise as Administrative Expenses. For the avoidance of doubt, "Sale Proceeds" will not include the Class P Collateral or any proceeds thereof.

**“Second Lien Loan”** means a Secured Loan (other than a Senior Secured Loan) that has a junior contractual claim only to a Senior Secured Loan on tangible property (which property is subject to a prior lien (other than customary permitted liens, as such, but not limited to, any tax liens)) to secure payment of a debt or the fulfillment of a contractual obligation.

**“Secondary Risk Counterparty”** means any obligor Domiciled other than in the United States, any Participating Institution, any Synthetic Security Counterparty and any Securities Lending Counterparty.

**“Secondary Risk Table”** means the table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty		Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
Moody's	S&P		
Aaa	AAA	20.0%	20.0%
Aa1	AA+	10.0%	10.0%
Aa2	AA	10.0%	10.0%
Aa3	AA-	10.0%	10.0%
A1	A+	5.0%	10.0%
A2 or below	A or below	0.0%	0.0%

If any Secondary Risk Counterparty's long-term senior unsecured debt rating or short-term rating is on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P, then for the purposes of the table above, its rating by the Rating Agency putting its rating on credit watch shall be one rating notch lower for that Rating Agency.

**“Secured Loan”** means a Loan that (i) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**“Secured Parties”** means the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager and each Hedge Counterparty.

**“Securities Lending Collateral”** means Cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the relevant Securities Lending Agreement and that are pledged by a Securities Lending Counterparty as collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement.

**“Selected Collateral Quality Tests”** means the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Life Test (after taking into consideration any applicable Maturity Extension), the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the Diversity Test.

**“Senior Secured Loan”** means a Secured Loan that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a first priority security interest in collateral and with respect to which the Portfolio Manager determines that the value of the collateral securing such Secured Loan equal or exceeds the

outstanding principal balance of the loan plus the aggregate outstanding balances of all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by the same collateral.

**“Senior Unsecured Loan”** means a Loan that (i) is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) is not secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**“Spread Excess”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose (i) numerator is the product of (A) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date over the Minimum Weighted Average Spread specified in the applicable row of the Ratings Matrix and (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date and (ii) denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date. In computing the Spread Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Fixed Rate Excess were equal to zero.

**“Structured Finance Obligation”** means any obligation (other than the Notes or any other security or obligation issued by the Issuer):

(i) secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool of receivables or other assets of U.S. obligors, or obligors organized or incorporated in Moody’s Group I Countries, Moody’s Group II Countries or Moody’s Group III Countries, including portfolio credit default swaps and collateralized debt obligations, but excludes:

- (A) residential mortgage-backed securities;
- (B) collateralized debt obligations backed by Emerging Market Securities;
- (C) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by asset-backed securities;
- (D) market value collateralized debt obligations;
- (E) securities backed by “future flow” receivables;
- (F) securities backed by “trust preferred securities”;
- (G) net interest margin securitizations;
- (H) collateralized debt obligations backed by other collateralized debt obligations;
- (I) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by one or more credit default swaps (i.e. “synthetic CDOs”); and
- (J) collateralized debt obligations a significant portion of which are backed by bonds;

(ii) that has an S&P Rating and an S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate;

(iii) that has a rating and a Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate assigned by Moody’s; and

(iv) whose ownership or disposition (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) by the Issuer will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

In connection with the purchase of a Structured Finance Obligation, the Portfolio Manager shall obtain from Moody's the applicable Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate.

For purposes of the Diversity Test, multiple Structured Finance Obligations from CDOs managed by the same Portfolio Manager or multiple Structured Finance Obligations issued by the same master trust will be considered to be obligations of one issuer.

**"Subordinated Lien Loan"** means a Secured Loan (other than a Second Lien Loan) secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**"Super Majority"** means, with respect to any Class or group of Notes and the Class E Certificates, Holders of more than 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Securities. With respect to the Class Q-1 Securities as such, the Holders of more than 66-2/3% of the stated amount thereof. With respect to the Class P-1 Securities as such, the Holders of more than 66-2/3% of the stated amount thereof and with respect to the Class P-2 Securities as such, the Holders of more than 66-2/3% of the stated amount thereof.

**"Synthetic Security"** means any swap transaction, structured bond investment, credit linked note, or other derivative financial instrument relating to a debt instrument (but excluding any such instrument relating directly to a basket or portfolio of debt instruments) or an index or indices (such as the "SAMI" index published by Credit Suisse First Boston) in connection with a basket or portfolio of debt instruments or other similar instruments entered into by the Issuer with a Synthetic Security Counterparty that has in the Portfolio Manager's commercially reasonable judgment, equivalent expected loss characteristics (those characteristics, **"credit risk"**) to those of the related Reference Obligations (taking account of those considerations as they relate to the Synthetic Security Counterparty), if (i) it is either a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied, and (ii) the Reference Obligations thereof have a weighted average Market Value of at least 85% at the time the Synthetic Security is entered into

The maturity, interest rate, and other non-credit characteristics of a Synthetic Security may be different from the Reference Obligations to which the credit risk of the Synthetic Security relates.

No Synthetic Security shall require the Issuer to make any payment to the Synthetic Security Counterparty after its initial purchase other than any payments represented by the release of any cash collateral posted by the Issuer from the Collection Account to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of the posted cash collateral. Collateral may be posted only to a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account. No Synthetic Security shall result in the Issuer being a "buyer" of credit protection.

The term Synthetic Security shall not include any Structured Finance Obligation or any Participation, but the Reference Obligation of a Synthetic Security may be a Structured Finance Obligation.

Any Synthetic Security shall be positively indexed to the Reference Obligation on no more than a one-for-one basis (i.e. unleveraged credit exposure).

Each Synthetic Security Agreement shall (i) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those contained in the Indenture and (ii) include

provisions satisfying the provisions of the Indenture and contain the limitations described under “Security for the Notes—Synthetic Securities”.

The ownership or disposition of any Synthetic Security (without regard to the Issuer’s other activities) must not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

Any “deliverable obligation” that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any “credit event” under any proposed Synthetic Security must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such “deliverable obligation” is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any “credit event”) as a Collateral Obligation (except that such “deliverable obligation” may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a “credit event”) and, unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, (i) must not provide that its transfer to the Issuer is subject to obtaining any consents, (ii) after giving effect to the delivery thereof would not cause the Concentration Limitations not to be satisfied and (iii) if the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security is a Senior Secured Loan then the “deliverable obligation” under the Synthetic Security must also be a Senior Secured Loan.

Synthetic Securities that are credit default swaps, credit linked notes, or other similar instruments may not provide for “restructuring” as a “credit event”.

For purposes of the Coverage Tests and the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test, unless the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied in respect of any proposed alternative treatment, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in the Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in the Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligation.

With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, for purposes of: (i) calculating compliance with the Diversity Test, the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test, and the Concentration Limitations (other than limits relating to payment characteristics and except for clauses 20 and 20(a) of the definition of “Concentration Limitations”), and all related definitions, and (ii) any other provision or definition of the Indenture involving a determination with respect to a Reference Obligation, the characteristics of such Reference Obligations shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct investment by the Issuer in each such Reference Obligation in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation. In addition, each Reference Obligation under such Synthetic Security shall be assigned a Moody’s Rating Factor equal to the sum of the Moody’s Rating Factor of (i) the related reference obligor, (ii) the Synthetic Security

Counterparty of such Synthetic Security and (iii) the Synthetic Security Collateral of such Synthetic Security. In addition, the Moody's Priority Category Rate in respect of a Synthetic Security referencing multiple Reference Obligations pursuant to this paragraph shall be the Moody's Priority Category Rate as assigned by Moody's to each Reference Obligation underlying such Synthetic Security. For the avoidance of doubt, Reference Obligations upon which a Synthetic Security is based as described in this paragraph must meet the definition of "Collateral Obligation" to the extent provided in this definition.

Any Synthetic Security shall be positively indexed to the Reference Obligation on no more than a one-for-one basis (i.e. unleveraged credit exposure).

If the Rating Condition must be satisfied to execute the purchase of any Synthetic Security, the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, shall give each applicable Rating Agency not less than 5 days' prior notice of the purchase of or entry into any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Agreement"** means the documentation governing any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Collateral"** means, respect to any Synthetic Security, amounts posted to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account by the Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its obligations under the Synthetic Security, including (i) all Eligible Investments or (ii) investments that satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's, in each case that mature no later than the Stated Maturity, in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account that are purchased with Synthetic Security Collateral; *provided* that Synthetic Security Collateral may not include any investment the acquisition (including the manner of acquisition), ownership, enforcement or disposition of which will subject the Issuer to net income tax in any jurisdiction outside its jurisdiction of incorporation.

**"Synthetic Security Counterparty"** means any entity (other than the Issuer) required to make payments on a Synthetic Security (including any guarantor) to the extent that a reference obligor makes payments on a related Reference Obligation and meeting the Synthetic Security Counterparty Ratings Requirement.

**"Synthetic Security Counterparty Ratings Requirement"** means, with respect to the Synthetic Security Counterparty and in respect of a Synthetic Security, a requirement that is satisfied if, at the time the Issuer enters into such Synthetic Security Agreement, the related Synthetic Security Counterparty has a senior unsecured credit rating assigned by S&P for short-term debt of at least "A-1+" or a senior unsecured credit rating assigned by S&P for long-term debt of at least "AA-".

**"Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction"** means one of the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the Netherlands Antilles or the tax advantaged jurisdiction of the Channel Islands, or such other jurisdiction with respect to which the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied.

**"Tax Affected Security"** means any asset received or otherwise acquired by the Issuer (including, without limitation, an Equity Security, Defaulted Collateral Obligation, ETB/897 Asset and Workout Asset) that will cause the Issuer to be deemed to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

**"Tax Event"** means an event that occurs if either:

- (i) (A) one or more Collateral Obligations that were not subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them have become subject to withholding tax or the rate of withholding has increased on one or more Collateral Obligations that were subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them and (B) in any Due Period, the aggregate of the payments subject to withholding tax on new withholding tax obligations and the increase in payments subject to withholding tax on increased rate withholding tax obligations, in

each case to the extent not “grossed-up” (on an after-tax basis) by the related obligor, represent 5% or more of Interest Proceeds for the Due Period; or

(ii) taxes, fees, assessments, or other similar charges are imposed on the Issuer in an aggregate amount in any twelve-month period in excess of U.S.\$2,000,000, other than any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax with respect to any payment owing in respect of any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation or Collateral Obligation.

“**Treasury Regulations**” means regulations, including proposed or temporary regulations, promulgated under the Code. References herein to specific provisions of proposed or temporary regulations shall include analogous provisions of final Treasury Regulations or other successor Treasury Regulations.

“**Trust Officer**” means, when used with respect to the Trustee, any officer in the Corporate Trust Office (or any successor group of the Trustee) including any director, vice president, assistant vice president, associate, or any other officer of the Trustee customarily performing functions similar to those performed by such officers in the Corporate Trust Office, or to whom any corporate trust matter is referred at the Corporate Trust Office because of his knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject and having direct responsibility for the administration of this Indenture.

“**UCC**” means the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect from time to time in the State of New York.

“**Underlying Instrument**” means the loan agreement, indenture, credit agreement, or other agreement pursuant to which a Pledged Obligation has been issued or created and each other agreement that governs the terms of or secures the obligations represented by the Pledged Obligation or of which the holders of the Pledged Obligation are the beneficiaries.

“**Undrawn Amount**” means at any time (i) with respect to any Class A-1A Note the excess, if any, of (x) the Commitment relating to such Class A-1A Note over (y) the Drawn Amount under such Class A-1A Note; *provided* that any funds deposited with the Trustee in a reserve account as a result of the failure of a Holder of such Class A-1A Note to satisfy the Rating Criteria during the Draw Period and any subsequent Prepayments in respect of such Holder’s Class A-1A Note placed pursuant to the Indenture in a separate subaccount of that reserve account relating to such Holder will for all purposes be part of the Undrawn Amount of such Class A-1A Note and such Holder will be entitled to receive the applicable Commitment Fee thereon, and (ii) with respect to any Class A-1B Note, the excess, if any, of (x) the applicable portion of the Fully Drawn Amount relating to such Class A-1B Note over (y) the Drawn Amount under such Class A-1B Note; *provided* that any funds deposited with the Trustee in a reserve account as a result of the failure of a Holder of a Class A-1B Note to satisfy the Rating Criteria during the Delayed Drawdown Period will for all purposes be part of the Undrawn Amount of such Class A-1B Note and such Holder will be entitled to receive the applicable Delayed Drawdown Fee thereon.

“**Unfunded Amount**” means at any time, with respect to any Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan, the excess, if any, of (i) the amount of the commitment with respect to such obligation over (ii) the funded principal amount outstanding on such obligation.

“**Unscheduled Principal Payments**” means any principal payments received with respect to a Collateral Obligation as a result of optional redemptions, exchange offers, tender offers, other payments or prepayments made at the option of the issuer thereof or that are otherwise not scheduled to be made thereunder.

“**Valuation Report**” means the accounting report, determined as of the close of business on each Determination Date, rendered in accordance with the terms of the Indenture.

**“Warehouse Agreement”** means the Asset Acquisition Agreement and Master Participation Agreement, dated as of August 1, 2005, among Citigroup Financial Products Inc., as the Warehouse Provider, the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager, as amended.

**“Warehoused Loans”** means loans acquired by the Issuer before the Closing Date pursuant to the Warehouse Agreement.

**“Weighted Average Commitment Fee”** means, as of any Measurement Date, an amount (rounded up to the next 0.001%) equal to the weighted average commitment fee on all Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans determined by dividing (i) the aggregate of all scheduled amounts (other than interest) of commitment fees or facility fees payable on the Aggregate Unfunded Amount of all Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans held by the Issuer as of such Measurement Date by (ii) the Aggregate Unfunded Amount of all Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans held by the Issuer as of such Measurement Date; *provided* that if such quotient is less than the Minimum Weighted Average Commitment Fee for such Measurement Date, there shall be added to the amount set forth in clause (i) above an amount equal to the Spread Excess, if any, as of such Measurement Date (less any portion of the Spread Excess that has been added to the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon as of such Measurement Date pursuant to clause (iv) of the definition of “Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon”), and the Weighted Average Commitment Fee as of such Measurement Date shall be the amount calculated after giving effect to such addition.

**“Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the rate obtained by:

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Fixed Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum rate at which it pays interest (which (x) for PIK Securities for which interest has been deferred or capitalized, will be deemed to be zero and (y) for Collateral Obligations that would be PIK Securities but for the proviso in the definition thereof, will be deemed to be equal to the effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest), using only the effective after-tax interest rate determined by the Portfolio Manager on any Fixed Rate Obligation after taking into account any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction and any gross-up paid by the obligor);

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);

(iii) dividing the sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations that are Fixed Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, adding to the sum the amount of any Spread Excess as of the Measurement Date, but only to the extent required to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test.

**“Weighted Average Life”** means, as of any Measurement Date the number obtained by (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying (A) the Average Life at that time of each Collateral Obligation by (B) the Principal Balance at that time of the Collateral Obligation and (ii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance at that time of all Collateral Obligations.

**“Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor”** means the summation of the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation (excluding Eligible Investments) by its respective Moody’s Rating Factor, dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) and rounding the result up to the nearest whole number.

**“Weighted Average Spread”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate obtained by:



(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Floating Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum contract spread at which it pays interest in Cash (which (x) for PIK Securities for which interest has been deferred or capitalized, will be deemed to be zero and (y) for Collateral Obligations that would be PIK Securities but for the proviso in the definition thereof, will be deemed to be equal to the effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest), determined with respect to any Floating Rate Obligation that does not bear interest based on a London interbank offered rate, by expressing the current interest rate on the Floating Rate Obligation as a spread above a three month London interbank offered rate calculated in a manner consistent with the calculation of LIBOR;

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);

(iii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to pass the Weighted Average Spread Test, adding to that sum the amount of Fixed Rate Excess as of the Measurement Date.

For purposes of calculating the Weighted Average Spread, the Principal Balance of each Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall not include any of its Unfunded Amount.

**“Workout Assets”** means a Loan, High-Yield Bond, or Qualified Equity Security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation that the Issuer does not advance any funds to purchase and that does not qualify as a Collateral Obligation.

**“Zero-Coupon Security”** means a security that, at the time of determination, does not make periodic payments of interest. A Zero-Coupon Security will not include a security that is a PIK Security.

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**U.S.\$50,000,000 Class A-1B Delayed Drawdown Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes**  
**U.S.\$446,000,000 Class A-1C Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes**  
**U.S.\$68,500,000 Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes**  
**U.S.\$68,500,000 Class A-3 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes**  
**U.S.\$43,000,000 Class A-4 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes**  
**U.S.\$49,000,000 Class B Floating Rate Deferrable Senior Secured Extendable Notes**  
**U.S.\$52,000,000 Class C Floating Rate Deferrable Senior Secured Extendable Notes**  
**94,000 Class E Certificates**

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**U.S.\$20,000,000 Class P-1 Extendable Securities\***  
**U.S.\$5,000,000 Class P-2 Extendable Securities\***

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**U.S.\$20,000,000 Class Q-1 Combination Extendable Securities\*\***

\*The Class P-1 Securities consist of the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component representing 6,180 Class E Certificates and the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component representing U.S.\$20,000,000 (face value) U.S. Treasury securities with zero coupon due November 15, 2013. The Class P-2 Securities consist of the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component representing 1,500 Class E Certificates and the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component representing U.S.\$5,000,000 (face value) U.S. Treasury securities with zero coupon due November 15, 2013. The 6,180 Class E Certificates to which the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component relates and the 1,500 Class E Certificates to which the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component relates are included in (and are not in addition to) the aggregate 94,000 Class E Certificates.

\*\*The Class Q-1 Securities consist of the Class Q-1 Note Component representing U.S.\$12,600,000 aggregate principal amount of Class C Notes and the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component representing 7,400 Class E Certificates. The 7,400 Class E Certificates and the U.S. 12,600,000 aggregate principal amount of Class C Notes to which the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component and the Class Q-1 Note Component relate are included in (and are not in addition to) the aggregate 94,000 Class E Certificates and the U.S. 52,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Class C Notes.

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Indenture, dated as of December 8, 2005, among LIBERTY CLO, LTD. (the “Issuer”), LIBERTY CLO, CORP. (the “Co-Issuer”) and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as trustee (together with its permitted successors, the “Trustee”).

#### PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

The Co-Issuers are duly authorized to execute and deliver this Indenture to provide for the Class A-1A Notes, Class A-1B Notes, the Class A-1C Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class A-4 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities, the Class P-1 Securities and the Class P-2 Securities, in each case issuable as provided in this Indenture. All covenants and agreements made by the Co-Issuers in this Indenture are for the benefit and security of the Secured Parties and the Class P Securityholders as described herein. The Co-Issuers are entering into this Indenture, and the Trustee is accepting the trusts created by this Indenture, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged.

All things necessary to make this Indenture a valid agreement of the Co-Issuers in accordance with the agreement’s terms have been done.

#### GRANTING CLAUSES

The Issuer Grants to the Trustee, for the benefit and security of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager and each Hedge Counterparty (collectively, the “Secured Parties”), all of its right, title, and interest in, to, and under, in each case, whether now owned or existing, or hereafter acquired or arising:

(a) the Collateral Obligations (listed, as of the Closing Date, in Schedule 1 to this Indenture and as such Schedule 1 may be modified, amended and revised subsequent to the Closing Date by the Issuer) and all Workout Assets, including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles (as defined in the UCC) relating thereto, all payments made or to be made thereon or with respect thereto, which are delivered or credited to the Trustee, or for which a Security Entitlement is delivered or credited to the Trustee or which are credited to one or more of the Issuer Accounts on or after the Closing Date and all payments made or to be made thereon or with respect thereto;

(b) the Custodial Account, the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Class A-1A Funding Account, the Class A-1B Funding Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, and the Securities Lending Account (collectively, the “Issuer Accounts”) and the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account (subject to, in the case of any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, any security interest in favor of the applicable Synthetic Security Counterparty), Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, and all income from the investment of funds in the Issuer Accounts;

(c) the Management Agreement, the Securities Lending Agreements, the Hedge Agreements as set forth in Article 15 and the Collateral Administration Agreement to the extent of any rights of the Issuer therein;

(d) all Cash or money delivered to the Trustee (or its bailee);

(e) all securities, investments, investment property, general intangibles, instruments, money and agreements of any nature in which the Issuer has an interest (except for money, securities and

investments in the Issuer's bank account in the Cayman Islands and except the Class P Accounts and any proceeds of any type credited thereto or deposited therein); and

(f) all proceeds with respect to the foregoing.

(all of the property and assets described in the foregoing clauses (a) through (g), but excluding the Class P Collateral, the "Collateral").

The Issuer as a second and separate grant Grants to the Trustee, for the benefit and security solely of the Class P-1 Securityholders, all of its right, title and interest in, to and under, in each case, whether now owned or existing, or hereafter acquired or arising, the Class P-1 Accounts and any property of any type deposited into such accounts (including the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component) and all proceeds with respect to the foregoing (all of the foregoing, the "Class P-1 Collateral"), which security interest secures the Issuer's obligations under the Class P-1 Securities to pay in full aggregate amounts equal to the Class P-1 Nominal Principal Outstanding.

The Issuer as a third and separate grant Grants to the Trustee, for the benefit and security solely of the Class P-2 Securityholders, all of its right, title and interest in, to and under, in each case, whether now owned or existing, or hereafter acquired or arising, the Class P-2 Accounts and any property of any type deposited into such accounts (including the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component) and all proceeds with respect to the foregoing (all of the foregoing, the "Class P-2 Collateral"), which security interest secures the Issuer's obligations under the Class P-2 Securities to pay in full aggregate amounts equal to the Class P-2 Nominal Principal Outstanding.

For the avoidance of doubt, (i) the Class P Securityholders shall not be secured by the Collateral, (ii) the other Secured Parties shall not be secured by and shall have no claim to, allocation of, or other interest, in the Class P Collateral, (iii) the Class P-1 Securityholders shall not be secured by and shall have no claim to, allocation of, or other interest, in the Class P-2 Collateral and (iv) the Class P-2 Securityholders shall not be secured by and shall have no claim to, allocation of, or other interest in, the Class P-1 Collateral.

These Grants are not intended to and do not transfer any liability under the Collateral or the Class P Collateral, which liabilities shall remain the sole obligation of the Issuer. These Grants are made, however, in trust, to secure the Notes and other obligations listed in the following paragraph in the case of the first grant, only the Class P-1 Securities in the case of the second grant (to the extent provided therein) and only the Class P-2 Securities (to the extent provided therein) in the case of the third grant. Except as provided in Article 13 and the priorities set forth in the Priority of Payments, the Notes are secured by the first grant equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction between any Note and any other Note because of difference in time of issuance or otherwise. The Class P-1 Securities are secured in accordance with their terms by the second grant equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction because of difference in time of issuance or incurrence or otherwise. The Class P-2 Securities are secured in accordance with their terms by the third grant equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction because of difference in time of issuance or incurrence or otherwise.

The first Grant is made to secure, in accordance with the priorities in the Priority of Payments and Article 13:

(i) the payment of all amounts due on the Notes equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction between any Note and any other Note, because of difference in time of issuance or otherwise, in accordance with their terms;

(ii) the payment of all other sums payable under this Indenture (other than amounts payable in respect of the Class E Certificates and payable to the Class P Securityholders);

(iii) the payment of sums payable to any Hedge Counterparty under a Hedge Agreement;

(iv) the payment of sums payable to the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement; and

(v) compliance with this Indenture;

all as provided in this Indenture.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Issuer's obligations under the Class E Certificates (including any Class E Certificate Components) shall not be secured by the Collateral or the Class P Collateral.

The Trustee acknowledges the Grants, accepts the trusts under this Indenture in accordance with this Indenture, and agrees to perform its duties in this Indenture in accordance with the provisions hereof.

## ARTICLE 1

### DEFINITIONS

#### Section 1.1. Definitions.

Except as otherwise specified in this Indenture or as the context may otherwise require, the following terms have the respective meanings provided below for all purposes of this Indenture.

“1940 Act”: The United States Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

“A/B Exchange”: An exchange of one security (the "A Security") for another security (the "B Security") of the same issuer or issuers, which security shall have substantially identical terms to the A Security except that one or more transfer restrictions applicable to the A Security are inapplicable to the B Security.

“Accounts”: The Issuer Accounts and the Class P Accounts.

“Accountants' Certificate”: An agreed upon procedures report of a firm of Independent certified public accountants of international reputation appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8(a), which may be the firm of Independent accountants that performs certain accounting services for the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager.

“Accredited Investor”: The meaning specified in Rule 501(a) of Regulation D of the Securities Act.

“Accrued Interest On Sale”: Interest accrued on a Collateral Obligation at the time of sale or other disposition to the extent paid to the Issuer as part of the sale or other disposition price of the Collateral Obligation after deduction of any amount representing Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal of the Collateral Obligation.

“Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal”: (i) Interest accrued on or purchased with a Collateral Obligation as part of the price paid by the Issuer to acquire the Collateral Obligation less any amount of Interest Proceeds (applied as Interest Proceeds) applied by the Issuer to acquire the accrued interest at the time of purchase and (ii) interest accrued on a Warehoused Loan as part of the price paid by the Issuer, if any, to repurchase and terminate the related participation under the Warehouse Agreement.

“Act”: The meaning specified in Section 14.2.

“Additional Class E Certificate”: The meaning set forth in the Class E Certificates Paying Agency Agreement.

“Additional Class E Certificate Closing Date”: The meaning set forth in the Class E Certificates Paying Agency Agreement.

“Administration Agreement”: The Administration Agreement, between the Issuer and the Administrator, providing for the administrative functions of the Issuer, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

“Administrative Expense Cap”: An amount on any Payment Date equal to the excess of:

(a) the sum of 0.04% of the Maximum Investment Amount on the related Determination Date plus \$150,000, over

(b) the sum of the amounts paid for Administrative Expenses in the twelve months preceding the current Payment Date;

*provided* that the Administrative Expense Cap for each of the first three Payment Dates shall be an amount equal to the excess of:

(a) the sum of (x) 0.04% of the Maximum Investment Amount plus \$150,000, *multiplied by* (y) the actual days elapsed from the Closing Date to such Payment Date divided by 360, over

(b) the sum of the amounts paid as Administrative Expenses since (but excluding) the Closing Date.

“Administrative Expenses”: Amounts due or accrued representing

(a) tax preparation, filing, and registration fees or expenses and any other filing and registration fees owed by the Co-Issuers (including all filing, registration, and annual return fees payable to the Cayman Islands government and registered office fees);

(b) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Trustee (including all amounts under Section 6.7), the Administrator, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator, the Revolving Note Agent and the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent;

(c) fees, indemnities and expenses of either of the Co-Issuers and of accountants, agents, and counsel for either of the Co-Issuers;

(d) fees and expenses of the Rating Agencies in connection with any rating of the Notes owed by either Co-Issuer (including fees and expenses for ongoing surveillance, credit estimates, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies);

(e) expenses and indemnities (but not Management Fees) of the Portfolio Manager if payable under the Management Agreement;

(f) fees, expenses and indemnities for third-party loan pricing services and accountants; and

(g) any other amounts due to any other person (except the Portfolio Manager) if specifically provided for in this Indenture, including fees, expenses and indemnities in connection with any Securities Lending Agreement.

For the avoidance of doubt, any Class P Administrative Expenses shall not constitute Administrative Expenses but rather shall be paid in accordance with Section 11.2.

“Administrator”: Walkers SPV Limited or any successor appointed by the Issuer.

“Affiliate” or “Affiliated”: With respect to a person,

(a) any other person who, directly or indirectly, is in control of, or controlled by, or is under common control with, the person, or

(b) any other person who is a director, officer, or employee (A) of the person, (B) of any subsidiary or parent company of the person, or (C) of any person described in clause (i) above.

For the purposes of this definition, control of a person shall mean the power, direct or indirect,

(i) to vote more than 50% of the securities having ordinary voting power for the election of directors of the person, or

(ii) to direct the corporate management and corporate policies of the person whether by contract or otherwise (this does not include the Management Agreement unless it is amended expressly to provide those services).

For the purpose of this definition, the Administrator and its Affiliates are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Co-Issuers and the Co-Issuers are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Administrator, or any of its Affiliates.

“Agent Members”: Members of, or participants in, a Depositary.

“Aggregate Commitment Amount”: The aggregate of all Commitments with respect to all Class A-1A Notes.

“Aggregate Outstanding Amount”: When used with respect to (i) any of the Notes (other than the Class A-1A Notes and the Class A-1B Notes) as of any date, the aggregate principal amount of the Notes (including, in the case of the Class C Notes, the Class Q-1 Note Component) on that date, (ii) the Class A-1A Notes as of any date, (a) prior to the termination date of the Commitments (x) for purposes of any Overcollateralization Test and the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test, the aggregate Drawn Amount of Class A-1A Notes *plus* an amount equal to the lesser of (A) the Aggregate Undrawn Amount of the Class A-1A Notes and (B) the Aggregate Unfunded Amount *minus* the amount credited to the Revolving Reserve Account, and (y) for any other purpose, the Aggregate Commitment Amount and (b) after the termination date of the Commitments, for all purposes, the aggregate Drawn Amount, (iii) the

Class A-1B Notes as of any date, (a) prior to the first Payment Date, the Fully Drawn Amount and (b) from and after the first Payment Date, the aggregate principal amount of the Class A-1B Notes on that date, (iv) the Class E Certificates as of any date, means the number of such Class E Certificates Outstanding on such date in respect of such Class E Certificates, and (v) the Class P Securities, the Class P-1 Nominal Principal Outstanding and the Class P-2 Nominal Principal Outstanding, as applicable, on the date of determination.

Except as otherwise provided herein:

(a) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1A Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(b) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1B Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(c) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1C Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(d) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-2 Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(e) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-3 Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(f) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-4 Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(g) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes at any time shall include all Class B Deferred Interest attributed thereto; and

(h) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes at any time shall include all Class C Deferred Interest attributed thereto.

“Aggregate Principal Balance”: When used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Principal Balances of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Principal Balances of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

“Aggregate Principal Reduction Amount”: The meaning specified in Section 13.3(a).

“Aggregate Purchase Price Amount”: When used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

“Aggregate Undrawn Amount”: At any time, (i) with respect to the Class A-1A Notes, the aggregate Undrawn Amounts of all Class A-1A Notes; and (ii) with respect to the Class A-1B Notes, the aggregate Undrawn Amounts of all Class A-1B Notes.

“Aggregate Unfunded Amount”: As of any date of determination, the aggregate Unfunded Amounts with respect to all Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans held by the Issuer as of such date.

“Allocable Principal Balance”: With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, the portion of the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security that is allocable to each Reference Obligation comprising such index or indices based upon allocating the Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security among such Reference Obligations in the same proportion as each Reference Obligation bears to the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security.

“Amendment Buy-Out”: The meaning specified in Section 9.6(a).

“Amendment Buy-Out Option”: The meaning specified in Section 9.6(a).

“Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price”: The purchase price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Securities purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of (x) the Notes (other than the Class A-1A Notes and Class A-1B Notes), the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, (y) the Class A-1A Notes, the aggregate Drawn Amount thereof and (z) in the case of the Class A-1B Notes, the aggregate principal amount thereof, plus in the case of each of (x), (y) and (z) accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) to the date of purchase by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, payable to the Non-Consenting Holder (giving effect to any amounts paid by the Issuer to the Holder on such date), plus any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment, plus in the case of the Class A-1A Notes, any accrued and unpaid Commitment Fee and in the case of the Class A-1B Notes, any accrued and unpaid Delayed Drawdown Fee, plus in the case of any Class A-1 Notes purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out prior to the end of the Non-Call Period only, an amount equal to the sum of the present values as of the date of the Amendment Buy-Out of the spread portion of the interest amount that would be payable with respect to (x) the aggregate Drawn Amount of such Class A-1A Notes as of the date of the Amendment Buy-Out and (y) the aggregate principal amount of such Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes, as applicable, as of the date of the Amendment Buy-Out, in each case on each Payment Date from the date of the Amendment Buy-Out to the end of the Non-Call Period, discounted at the applicable forward LIBOR rate for the period from the date of the Amendment Buy-Out to the relevant Payment Date, (ii) in the case of the Class E Certificates, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Class E Certificates since the Closing Date (and amounts, if any, that due to the fact that the date of the Amendment Buy-Out is after the related Record Date, are payable to the Non-Consenting Holder on the next succeeding Payment Date notwithstanding the Amendment Buy-Out) would cause such Class E Certificates to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser) a Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return of 12% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); provided, however, that in any Amendment Buy-Out from and after the date on which the Non-Consenting Holders of Class E Certificates have received a Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12%, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price for such Class E Certificates shall be zero; and (iii) in the case of the Class Q-1 Securities, based on the respective purchase prices for the relevant Class Q-1 Note Component and the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component thereof.

“Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser”: The Portfolio Manager (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); provided that in the event that the Portfolio Manager elects not to purchase Securities from Holders pursuant to Section 9.6, “Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser” shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser or the Placement Agent or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Portfolio Manager; provided, however, none of the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

“Amendment Buy-Out Trade Date”: The meaning specified in Section 9.6(a).

“Applicable Issuer” or “Applicable Issuers”: With respect to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes, each of the Co-Issuers. With respect to the Class E Certificates, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities, the Issuer only.

“Applicable Note Interest Rate”: With respect to the Notes of any Class, the Note Interest Rate with respect to such Class.

“Applicable Percentage”: The lesser of the Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate and the S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation as specified in the tables below. High-Yield Bonds do not include Structured Finance Obligations for this purpose.

<b>Moody’s Priority Category</b>	<b>Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Synthetic Securities	In the case of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the “Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate” given by Moody’s to the Form-Approved Synthetic Security at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security by Moody’s, and</li> <li>(ii) any other Synthetic Security, the “Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate” given by Moody’s to the Synthetic Security at the time of acquisition of the Synthetic Security.</li> </ul>
Structured Finance Obligations	The Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the Moody’s Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 5</u> by reference to the type of asset and its then Moody’s Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that schedule does not apply, on a case-by-case basis in connection with the Grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
Unsecured DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligations not covered above or below	As determined by Moody’s on a case-by-case basis.

For High-Yield Bonds, Moody’s Senior Secured Loans and Moody’s Non Senior Secured Loans, the relevant Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate is the rate determined pursuant to the table below based on the number of rating subcategories difference between the High-Yield Bond’s or Loan’s Moody’s Obligation Rating and its Moody’s Default Probability Rating (for purposes of clarification, if



the Moody's Obligation Rating is higher than the Moody's Default Probability Rating, the rating subcategories difference will be positive and if it is lower, negative):

<b>Number of Moody's Rating Subcategories Difference Between the Moody's Obligation Rating and the Moody's Default Probability Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>High-Yield Bonds</b>
+2 or more	60.0%	45.0%	40.0%
+1	50.0%	42.5%	35.0%
0	45.0%	40.0%	30.0%
-1	40.0%	30.0%	15.0%
-2	30.0%	15.0%	10.0%
-3 or less	20.0%	10.0%	2.0%

If no Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate has been specifically assigned with respect to a Loan pursuant to the above table, and the Loan is a secured DIP Loan, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is 50.0%.

<b>S&amp;P Priority Category</b>	<b>S&amp;P Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Senior Secured Loans (other than DIP Loans)	55.0%
Senior Unsecured Loans	37.5%
Second Lien Loans	37.5%
Subordinated Lien Loans (other than DIP Loans)	21.5%
Senior secured High-Yield Bonds (other than Structured Finance Obligations)	44.0%
Senior unsecured High-Yield Bonds (other than Structured Finance Obligations)	30.0%
Subordinated High-Yield Bonds (other than Structured Finance Obligations)	18.0%
Structured Finance Obligations	The S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the S&P Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 6</u> by reference to the type of asset and its then S&P Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that table does not apply, on a case by case basis in connection with the Grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).

<b>S&amp;P Priority Category</b>	<b>S&amp;P Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Synthetic Securities	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis in connection with the Grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation.
DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligation not covered above	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis.

“Approved Credit Support Document”: A security agreement in the form of the 1994 ISDA Credit Support Annex (ISDA Agreements Subject to New York Law Only), as modified by the Paragraph 13 thereto.

“Approved Pricing Service”: Loan Pricing Corporation, LoanX Inc., Markit Group Limited or any other nationally recognized loan pricing service approved in writing by S&P.

“Ask-Side Market Value”: As of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Portfolio Manager and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any lent Collateral Obligation based upon the Portfolio Manager’s commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the higher of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the ask-side prices for the purchase of such Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Portfolio Manager) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Portfolio Manager); provided that if the Ask-Side Market Value of any lent Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the outstanding principal balance thereof.

“Assigned Moody’s Rating”: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

“Authenticating Agent”: With respect to the Notes, the Trustee or the person designated by the Trustee to authenticate the Notes on behalf of the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.14.

“Authorized Class Q-1 Denomination”: The meaning specified in Section 2.3.

“Authorized Class P-1 Denomination”: The meaning specified in Section 2.3.

“Authorized Class P-2 Denomination”: The meaning specified in Section 2.3.

“Authorized Officer”: With respect to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, any Officer or agent who is authorized to act for the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, in matters relating to, and binding on, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. With respect to the Portfolio Manager, any managing member, Officer, manager, employee, partner or agent of the Portfolio Manager who is authorized to act for the Portfolio Manager in matters relating to, and binding on, the Portfolio Manager with respect to the subject matter of the request, certificate, or order in question. With respect to the Trustee or any other bank or trust company acting as trustee of an express trust or as custodian, a Trust Officer. Each party may receive and accept a certification of the authority of any other party as conclusive evidence of the authority of any person to act, and the certification may be considered as in full force and effect until receipt by the other party of written notice to the contrary.

“Average Life”: As of any Measurement Date with respect to any Collateral Obligation (other than any Defaulted Collateral Obligation), the quotient obtained by dividing:

- (a) the sum of the products of:
  - (i) the number of years (rounded to the nearest hundredth) from the Measurement Date to the respective dates of each successive scheduled payment of principal of the Collateral Obligation, and
  - (ii) the respective amounts of the successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation, by
- (b) the sum of all successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation.

“Bank”: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, in its individual capacity and not as Trustee.

“Bankruptcy Code”: The U.S. Bankruptcy Code, Title 11 of the United States Code.

“Bankruptcy Law”: The Bankruptcy Code, Part V of the Companies Law (2004 Revision) of the Cayman Islands and the Bankruptcy Law (1997 Revision) of the Cayman Islands.

“Beneficial Owner”: Any person owning an interest in a Global Security as reflected on the books of the Depository or on the books of an Agent Member or on the books of an indirect participant for which an Agent Member acts as agent.

“Board Resolution”: With respect to the Issuer, a resolution of the board of directors of the Issuer and, with respect to the Co-Issuer, a resolution of the board of directors of the Co-Issuer.

“Borrowing”: The meaning specified in Section 2.12(a).

“Borrowing Date”: The meaning specified in Section 2.12(a).

“Bridge Loan”: Any obligation or security incurred in connection with a merger, acquisition, consolidation, sale of all or substantially all of the assets of a person or entity, restructuring or similar transaction, which obligation or security by its terms is required to be repaid within one year of the incurrence thereof with proceeds from additional borrowings or other refinancing (other than any additional borrowing or refinancing if one or more financial institutions shall have provided the issuer of such obligation or security with a binding written commitment to provide the same). For the avoidance of doubt, a DIP Loan will not constitute a Bridge Loan.

“Business Day”: A day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in New York City and any other city in which the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee is located and, in the case of the final payment of principal of any Note, the place of presentation of the Note designated by the Trustee; provided, however, that, for purposes of determining LIBOR, “Business Day” must also be a day on which dealings in deposits in Dollars are transacted in the London interbank market.

“Buy-Out Amount”: The meaning set forth in the Management Agreement.

“Calculation Agent”: The meaning specified in Section 7.15.

“Cash”: Such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for payment of all public and private debts.

“Cayman Islands Stock Exchange”: The Cayman Islands Stock Exchange.

“CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations”: The Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have (i) a Moody’s Rating of “Caa1” or lower and/or (ii) an S&P Rating of “CCC+” or lower.

“Certificate of Authentication”: The meaning specified in Section 2.1.

“Certificated Class A-1A Notes”: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(d).

“Certificated Class A-1B Notes”: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(d)

“Certificated Indenture Securities”: The Certificated Class A-1A Notes, the Certificated Class A-1B Notes, the Certificated Class Q-1 Securities and/or the Certificated Class P Securities.

“Certificated Class Q-1 Securities”: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(d).

“Certificated Class P Securities”: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(d).

“Certificated Class P-1 Securities”: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(d).

“Certificated Class P-2 Securities”: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(d).

“Certificated Security”: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(4) of the UCC.

“Class”: With respect to the Securities (other than the Class E Certificates), all of the Securities having the same priority and the same Stated Maturity, with respect to the Class E Certificates, all of the Class E Certificates; provided, however, unless otherwise expressly provided for herein, (i) the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes shall be considered the same Class, (ii) each of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class A-4 Notes shall be a separate Class, and (iii) each of the Class P-1 Securities and the Class P-2 Securities shall be a separate Class.

“Class A Notes”: The Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes, the Class A-1C Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class A-4 Notes.

“Class A-1 Notes”: The Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes.

“Class A-1A Funding Account”: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(j).

“Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement”: The Note Purchase Agreement dated as of the Closing Date, entered into among the Issuer, the Co-Issuers, the Revolving Note Agent, the Trustee and the Holders of the Class A-1A Notes, as from time to time amended, modified or supplemented.

“Class A-1A Notes”: The Class A-1A Revolving Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

“Class A-1A Principal Reduction Amount”: The meaning specified in Section 13.3.

“Class A-1B Funding Account”: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(k).

“Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement”: The Note Purchase Agreement dated as of the Closing Date, entered into among the Issuer, the Co-Issuers, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Trustee and the Holders of the Class A-1B Notes, as from time to time amended, modified or supplemented.

“Class A-1B Notes”: The Class A-1B Delayed Drawdown Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

“Class A-1C Notes”: The Class A-1C Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

“Class A-2 Notes”: The Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

“Class A-3 Notes”: The Class A-3 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

“Class A-4 Notes”: The Class A-4 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

“Class A Coverage Tests”: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class A-4 Notes (as a single Class).

“Class B Coverage Tests”: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class B Notes.

“Class B Deferred Interest”: Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes.

“Class B Notes”: The Class B Floating Rate Deferrable Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

“Class C Coverage Tests”: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class C Notes.

“Class C Deferred Interest”: Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C Notes.

“Class C Notes”: The Class C Floating Rate Deferrable Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

“Class E Certificate Components”: Collectively, the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component, the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component and the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component. All references in this Indenture to the Class E Certificates shall include the Class E Certificate Components, unless the context otherwise requires.

“Class E Certificate Documents”: The Issuer’s Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Class E Certificates Paying Agency Agreement and the resolutions of the Issuer’s Board of Directors authorizing the issuance of the Class E Certificates passed on or before the Closing Date.

“Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return”: With respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the “XIRR” function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for the following cash flows, assuming all Class E Certificates were purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount:

(i) each distribution of Interest Proceeds made to the Holders of the Class E Certificates on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date; and

(ii) each distribution of Principal Proceeds made to the Holders of the Class E Certificates on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date.

“Class E Certificates”: The Class E Certificates issued by the Issuer pursuant to the Issuer’s Memorandum and Articles of Association and the resolutions of the Issuer’s Board of Directors authorizing the issuance of the Class E Certificates (and including any Additional Class E Certificates issued pursuant to Section 4.4 of the Class E Certificates Paying Agency Agreement).

“Class E Certificates Distribution Account”: A separate segregated non interest bearing trust account established by the Class E Certificates Paying Agent pursuant to the Class E Certificates Paying Agency Agreement into which the Class E Certificates Paying Agent will deposit all amounts received from the Issuer and payable to the Holders of the Class E Certificates under the Priority of Payments.

“Class E Certificates Paying Agency Agreement”: The Class E Certificates Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Class E Certificates Paying Agent, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

“Class E Certificates Paying Agent”: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, in its capacity as Class E Certificates Paying Agent under the Class E Certificates Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the Class E Certificates paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Class E Certificates Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter “Class E Certificates Paying Agent” shall mean such successor person.

“Class E Certificates Registrar”: Walkers SPV Limited.

“Class P Accounts Securities Intermediary”: The Class P-1 Accounts Securities Intermediary and/or the Class P-2 Accounts Securities Intermediary, as the context may require.

“Class P Accounts”: Collectively, the Class P-1 Accounts and the Class P-2 Accounts.

“Class P Administrative Expenses”: Collectively, the Class P-1 Administrative Expenses and the Class P-2 Administrative Expenses.

“Class P Class E Certificate Components”: The Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component and the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component.

“Class P Collateral”: The Class P-1 Collateral and the Class P-2 Collateral.

“Class P Redemption Price”: The Class P-1 Redemption Price and the Class P-2 Redemption Price.

“Class P Securities”: Collectively, the Class P-1 Securities and the Class P-2 Securities.

“Class P Securities Due Period”: With respect to any Class P Securities Payment Date, the period commencing on and including the day immediately following the second Business Day prior to the preceding Class P Securities Payment Date (or in the case of the Class P Securities Due Period relating to the first Class P Securities Payment Date, commencing on the Closing Date) and ending on and including the second Business Day prior to such Class P Securities Payment Date (or, in the case of a Class P Securities Due Period that is applicable to the Class P Securities Payment Date relating to the Stated Maturity of any Security, ending on and including the day preceding such Class P Securities Payment Date).

“Class P Securities Payment Date”: The tenth Business Day after each Payment Date or, if such Payment Date coincides with the Stated Maturity, the Class P Securities Payment Date will be such Payment Date.

“Class P Securityholders”: Collectively, the Class P-1 Securityholders and the Class P-2 Securityholders.

“Class P U.S. Treasury Components”: Collectively, the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component and the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component.

“Class P U.S. Treasury Bid”: The current bid-side market price of the applicable U.S. Treasury security represented by the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component or the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component, as quoted by a dealer in U.S. Treasury securities (which may be the Bank or the Initial Purchaser) to the Trustee.

“Class P-1 Accelerated Payment Notional Amount”: With respect to each Class P Securities Payment Date, an amount equal to a portion of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component with a face amount equal to the sum of (rounded down to the nearest U.S.\$1,000) (a) the aggregate sum of distributions made with respect to the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component since the Closing Date up to and including such Class P Securities Payment Date *plus* (b) the aggregate Class P-1 Optional Accelerated Payments and the aggregate Class P-1 Mandatory Accelerated Payments made on all prior Class P Securities Payment Dates *minus* (c) the aggregate face amount of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component liquidated on all prior Class P Securities Payment Dates.

“Class P-1 Accounts”: Collectively, the Class P-1 Collection Account, the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component Account and the Class P-1 Principal Reserve Account.

“Class P-1 Accounts Securities Intermediary”: The Securities Intermediary for the Class P-1 Accounts.

“Class P-1 Administrative Expenses”: The administrative fees and expenses (including additional fees of the Trustee set forth in a separate fee letter dated as of the Closing Date by and between the Trustee and the Issuer) attributable to and taxes associated with the liquidation of the U.S. Treasury securities represented by the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component and any taxes attributable to the related Class P-1 Collateral.

“Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component”: The U.S. \$6,180,000 aggregate Face Amount of Class E Certificates comprising the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component of the Class P-1 Securities.

“Class P-1 Collateral”: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

“Class P-1 Collection Account”: The trust account designated as the Class P-1 Collection Account established pursuant to Section 10.3(o).

“Class P-1 Components”: The Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component and/or the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component, as the context may require.

“Class P-1 Mandatory Accelerated Payment”: The meaning set forth in Section 11.2(a)(i).

“Class P-1 Net Periodic Distribution”: With respect to each Class P Securities Payment Date, an amount equal to the sum of (a) any distributions received with respect to the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component during the related Class P Securities Due Period *plus* (b) the Class P-1 Mandatory Accelerated Payment (if any) for such Class P Securities Due Period *plus* (c) the Class P-1 Optional Accelerated Payment (if any) for such Class P Securities Due Period *plus* (d) any payments or distributions received with respect to the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component during such Class P Securities Due Period net of any Class P-1 Administrative Expenses.

“Class P-1 Nominal Principal Outstanding”: With respect to any day on or prior to the first Class P Securities Payment Date, U.S.\$20,000,000, and on any date of determination thereafter (i) the Class P-1 Nominal Principal Outstanding on the prior Class P Securities Payment Date *less* (ii) the amount equal to (x) the aggregate amount of all distributions payable to the Class P-1 Securityholders in respect of its related Class P-1 Components on such prior Class P Securities Payment Date pursuant to the Indenture *minus* (y) the Class P-1 Notional Coupon Payment on such prior Class P Securities Payment Date; provided that the amount is greater than zero. For the avoidance of doubt, if the amount in clause (ii) under clause (ii) above is less than zero, the Class P-1 Notional Principal Outstanding will increase by the absolute value of such amount.

“Class P-1 Notional Coupon Payment”: With respect to any Class P Securities Payment Date, an amount equal to notional interest for the related period on the Class P-1 Nominal Principal



Outstanding at the Class P-1 Notional Coupon Rate. The Class P-1 Notional Coupon Payment shall be computed for each Interest Period on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

“Class P-1 Notional Coupon Rate”: A rate of 6.5% per annum; provided that no later than 15 Business Days before each Class P Securities Payment Date, the Class P-1 Securityholders representing a Majority of the Class P-1 Securities may, by written notice to the Trustee and the Issuer, alter the Class P-1 Notional Coupon Rate to be applied to such Class P Securities Payment Date, subject to Section 11.2(e).

“Class P-1 Optional Accelerated Payment”: The meaning set forth in Section 11.2(a)(i).

“Class P-1 Optional Accelerated Payment Notional Amount”: The meaning set forth in Section 11.2(a)(i).

“Class P-1 Principal Reserve Account”: The trust account designated as the Class P-1 Principal Reserve Account and established pursuant to Section 10.3(n).

“Class P-1 Rated Principal”: As of any Measurement Date, the U.S.\$20,000,000 original stated amount of the Class P-1 Securities as of the Closing Date *minus* the aggregate amount of all distributions paid to the Class P-1 Securityholders in respect of the related Class P-1 Components (whether characterized as interest or principal or otherwise) on or prior to such Measurement Date; *provided* that the Class P-1 Rated Principal shall not be less than \$1; *provided, further* that the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf shall notify Moody’s once the Class P-1 Rated Principal is reduced to \$1, including a statement as to the face value of the remaining Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component.

“Class P-1 Redemption Price”: With respect to the Class P-1 Securities, in the aggregate (i) a cash distribution in an amount equal to the sum of (x) the amount, if any, payable as the redemption price or otherwise as a final distribution with respect to the Class E Certificates represented by the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component and (y) any other Class P-1 Collateral other than the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component and (ii) a distribution in kind of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component; *provided* that any Class P-1 Securityholder may elect instead of a distribution in kind of its *pro rata* share of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component to enter into another arrangement with the Issuer (satisfactory to the Issuer and the Trustee in their sole discretion) with respect to its *pro rata* share of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component; *provided* that any administrative expenses with respect to such arrangement will be paid by such Class P-1 Securityholder.

“Class P-1 Securities”: The U.S. \$20,000,000 Class P-1 Extendable Securities (comprised of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component and the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component) issued by the Issuer pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

“Class P-1 Securityholder”: A Holder of the Class P-1 Securities.

“Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component”: The U.S. \$20,000,000 face value of U.S. Treasury securities due November 15, 2013 (CUSIP No. 912833KB5) comprising the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component of the Class P-1 Securities.

“Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component Account”: The trust account designated as the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component Account established pursuant to Section 10.3(l).

“Class P-2 Accelerated Payment Notional Amount”: With respect to each Class P Securities Payment Date, an amount equal to a portion of the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component with a face amount equal to the sum of (rounded down to the nearest U.S.\$1,000) (a) the aggregate sum of distributions made with respect to the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component since the Closing Date up to and including such Class P Securities Payment Date *plus* (b) the aggregate Class P-2 Optional Accelerated Payments and the aggregate Class P-2 Mandatory Accelerated Payments made on all prior Class P Securities Payment Dates *minus* (c) the aggregate face amount of the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component liquidated on all prior Class P Securities Payment Dates.

“Class P-2 Accounts”: Collectively, the Class P-2 Collection Account and the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component Account.

“Class P-2 Accounts Securities Intermediary”: The Securities Intermediary for the Class P-2 Accounts.

“Class P-2 Administrative Expenses”: The administrative fees and expenses (including additional fees of the Trustee set forth in a separate fee letter dated as of the Closing Date by and between the Trustee and the Issuer) attributable to and taxes associated with the liquidation of the U.S. Treasury securities represented by the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component and any taxes attributable to the related Class P-2 Collateral.

“Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component”: The U.S. \$1,500,000 aggregate Face Amount of Class E Certificates comprising the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component of the Class P-2 Securities.

“Class P-2 Collateral”: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

“Class P-2 Collection Account”: The trust account designated as the Class P-2 Collection Account established pursuant to Section 10.3(p).

“Class P-2 Components”: The Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component and/or the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component, as the context may require.

“Class P-2 Mandatory Accelerated Payment”: The meaning set forth in Section 11.2(a)(i).

“Class P-2 Net Periodic Distribution”: With respect to each Class P Securities Payment Date, an amount equal to the sum of (a) any distributions received with respect to the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component during the related Class P Securities Due Period *plus* (b) the Class P-2 Mandatory Accelerated Payment (if any) for such Class P Securities Due Period *plus* (c) the Class P-2 Optional Accelerated Payment (if any) for such Class P Securities Due Period *plus* (d) any payments or distributions received with respect to the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component during such Class P Securities Due Period net of any Class P-2 Administrative Expenses.

“Class P-2 Nominal Principal Outstanding”: With respect to any day on or prior to the first Class P Securities Payment Date, U.S.\$5,000,000, and on any date of determination thereafter (i) the Class P-2 Nominal Principal Outstanding on the prior Class P Securities Payment Date *less* (ii) the amount equal to the aggregate amount of all distributions payable to the Class P-2 Securityholders in respect of its related Class P-2 Components on such Class P Securities Payment Date pursuant to the Indenture; provided that the amount is greater than zero.

“Class P-2 Optional Accelerated Payment”: The meaning set forth in Section 11.2(a)(ii).

“Class P-2 Optional Accelerated Payment Notional Amount”: The meaning set forth in Section 11.2(a)(ii).

“Class P-2 Rated Principal”: As of any Measurement Date, the U.S.\$5,000,000 original stated amount of the Class P-2 Securities as of the Closing Date *minus* the aggregate amount of all distributions paid to the Class P-2 Securityholders in respect of the related Class P-2 Components (whether characterized as interest or principal or otherwise) on or prior to such Measurement Date; *provided* that the Class P-2 Rated Principal shall not be less than \$1; *provided, further* that the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf shall notify Moody’s once the Class P-2 Rated Principal is reduced to \$1, including a statement as to the face value of the remaining Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component.

“Class P-2 Redemption Price”: With respect to the Class P-2 Securities, in the aggregate (i) a cash distribution in an amount equal to the sum of (x) the amount, if any, payable as the redemption price or otherwise as a final distribution with respect to the Class E Certificates represented by the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component and (y) any other Class P-2 Collateral other than the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component and (ii) a distribution in kind of the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component; provided that any Class P-2 Securityholder may elect instead of a distribution in kind of its *pro rata* share of the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component to enter into another arrangement with the Issuer (satisfactory to the Issuer and the Trustee in their sole discretion) with respect to its *pro rata* share of the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component; provided that any administrative expenses with respect to such arrangement will be paid by such Class P-2 Securityholder.

“Class P-2 Securities”: The U.S. \$5,000,000 Class P-2 Extendable Securities (comprised of the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component and the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component) issued by the Issuer pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

“Class P-2 Securityholder”: A Holder of the Class P-2 Securities.

“Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component”: The U.S. \$5,000,000 face value of U.S. Treasury securities due November 15, 2013 (CUSIP No. 912833KB5) comprising the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component of the Class P-2 Securities.

“Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component Account”: The trust account designated as the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component Account and established pursuant to Section 10.3(m).

“Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component”: The U.S. \$7,400,000 aggregate Face Amount of Class E Certificates comprising the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component of the Class Q-1 Securities.

“Class Q-1 Components”: The Class Q-1 Note Component and the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component.

“Class Q-1 Note Component”: The U.S. \$12,600,000 initial aggregate principal amount of Class C Notes comprising the Class Q-1 Note Component of the Class Q-1 Securities.

“Class Q-1 Rated Principal”: For the first Interest Period, U.S. \$20,000,000 original stated amount of the Class Q-1 Securities as of the Closing Date, and for any Interest Period thereafter, the Class Q-1 Rated Principal for the prior Interest Period minus the aggregate amount of all distributions paid to the Holders of Class Q-1 Securities in respect of the related Class Q-1 Components (whether characterized as interest or principal or otherwise) for the Payment Date occurring at the beginning of such current Interest Period; provided that the Class Q-1 Rated Principal cannot be negative.

“Class Q-1 Securities”: The U.S. \$20,000,000 Class Q-1 Extendable Securities (comprised of the Class Q-1 Note Component and the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component) issued by the Issuer pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.14.

“Class Scenario Loss Rate”: With respect to any Class of Notes rated by S&P, an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, consistent with S&P’s rating of such Class of Notes on the Closing Date, determined by application of the S&P CDO Monitor.

“Clearing Agency”: An organization registered as a “clearing agency” pursuant to Section 17A of the Exchange Act.

“Clearing Corporation”: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(5) of the UCC.

“Clearing Corporation Security”: A “security” (as defined in Section 8-102(a)(15) of the UCC) that (i) is a debt or Equity Security and (ii) is in the custody of or maintained on the books of a Clearing Corporation or its nominee.

“Clearstream”: Clearstream Banking, société anonyme, a corporation organized under the laws of the Duchy of Luxembourg.

“Closing Date”: December 8, 2005.

“Closing Date Expense Account”: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(g).

“Code”: The United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

“Co-Issuer”: The person named as such on the first page of this Indenture.

“Co-Issuers”: The Issuer and the Co-Issuer.

“Collateral”: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

“Collateral Administration Agreement”: The agreement dated as of the Closing Date among the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, and the Collateral Administrator, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

“Collateral Administrator”: The Bank in its capacity as collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement.

“Collateral Assignment of Hedge Agreements”: With respect to each Hedge Agreement, the assignment of all of the Issuer’s interest in the Hedge Agreement to the Trustee and acknowledged by the Hedge Counterparty to create a security interest therein in favor of the Trustee.

“Collateral Obligation”: Any obligation or security that, when the Issuer commits to purchase (or otherwise acquire) the obligation or security, is a Loan, High-Yield Bond, Structured Finance Obligation, or Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that is a Loan, a Structured Finance Obligation, or High-Yield Bond, in each case that is:

- (a) denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars and is not convertible by its obligor into any other currency;
- (b) an obligation of an obligor Domiciled in an Eligible Country;
- (c) an obligation that is eligible by its terms to be assigned to the Issuer and pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral;
- (d) not an exchangeable or convertible security that is exchangeable or convertible at the option of its issuer;
- (e) not an Equity Security or a component of an Equity Security or a security that has a component that is an Equity Security (other than for avoidance of doubt, a pass-through trust certificate in a trust holding Collateral Obligations);
- (f) not an obligation or security that has been called for redemption and is not an obligation or security that is the subject of an Offer other than a Permitted Offer or an exchange offer in which a security that is not registered under the Securities Act is exchanged for (i) a security that has substantially identical terms (except for transfer restrictions) but is registered under the Securities Act or (ii) a security that would otherwise qualify for purchase under Article 12;
- (g) an obligation that (a) has a Moody’s Rating (including any estimated or confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored) and (b) has an S&P Rating (including any confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored), which S&P Rating does not have a “p”, “pi”, “q”, “r”, “st” or “t” subscript unless S&P otherwise authorizes in writing;
- (h) an obligation that is a Finance Lease (if it is a lease) and the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;
- (i) an obligation that is not a Current-Pay Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation, and in the case of a Collateral Obligation that has a Moody’s Rating of “Caa1” or lower or an S&P Rating of “CCC+” or lower, is an obligation for which the Portfolio Manager has certified in writing that such Collateral Obligation is not a Credit Risk Obligation;
- (j) an obligation that (unless it is a High-Yield Bond) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness for borrowed money of the applicable issuer; provided that for the avoidance of doubt, this clause shall not prohibit the inclusion as Collateral Obligations of Second Lien Loans or Subordinated Lien Loans;

(k) an obligation that (i) bears simple interest payable in cash no less frequently than annually (although, in the case of a PIK Security, interest may be deferrable) at a fixed or floating rate that is paid on a periodic basis on an unleveraged basis and, in the case of a floating rate, computed on a benchmark interest rate plus or minus a spread, if any (which may vary under the terms of the obligation) and (ii) provides for a fixed amount of principal payable in cash according to a fixed schedule (which may include optional call dates) or at maturity (or a fixed notional amount in the case of Synthetic Securities);

(l) except in the case of a Synthetic Security, an obligation the payment or repayment of the principal, if any, of which is not an amount determined by reference to any formula or index or subject to any contingency under the terms thereof;

(m) an obligation the portion of which to be acquired (including through a Synthetic Security with respect to the Reference Obligation) does not represent, directly or indirectly, more than a 25% interest in the obligation;

(n) not an obligation with a maturity later than two years after the Stated Maturity of the Notes;

(o) an obligation upon which no payments are subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the obligor thereof or counterparty with respect thereto is required to make “gross-up” payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax on an after-tax basis (other than withholding taxes with respect to commitment fees associated with Collateral Obligations constituting Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans);

(p) not a Loan or Synthetic Security that would require the Issuer after its purchase of the Loan or Synthetic Security to advance any funds to the related borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty or permit the borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty to require that any future advances be made except for:

(A) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan if, the aggregate Balance of all Eligible Investments credited to the Revolving Reserve Account will be at least equal to the Revolver Funding Reserve Amount, and

(B) any Synthetic Security if the Issuer posts cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) the Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer’s purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of any future advances;

(q) if such obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation, such obligation:

(A) has been assigned a rating by both Moody’s and S&P;

(B) has a Moody’s Rating of “Ba3” or higher and an S&P Rating of “BB-” or higher; and

(C) has not been placed on the watch list for possible downgrade by Moody’s or S&P;

(r) if such obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation managed by the Portfolio Manager that is other than a collateralized loan obligation primarily secured by Senior Secured Loans, the Rating Condition has been satisfied;

(s) not a Loan that is an obligation of a debtor in possession or a trustee for a debtor in an insolvency proceeding other than a DIP Loan;

(t) with respect to an obligation that provides for the payment of interest at a floating rate, an obligation for which such floating rate is determined by reference to the U.S. Dollar prime rate or other base rate, London interbank offered rate or similar interbank offered rate, commercial deposit rate or any other index with respect to which the Rating Condition is satisfied;

(u) in the case of a Synthetic Security, a Synthetic Security for which the counterparty or issuer, as the case may be, has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A1", and if rated "A1" by Moody's, such rating is not on watch for downgrade, and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A+";

(v) not Margin Stock;

(w) not a Zero-Coupon Security;

(x) not an obligation that is currently deferring interest or paying interest "in kind" or otherwise has an interest "in kind" balance outstanding at the time of purchase, which interest is otherwise payable in cash, unless the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;

(y) not a security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined by the Portfolio Manager;

(z) not an obligation the interest payments of which are scheduled to decrease (although interest payments may decrease due to unscheduled events such as a decrease if the index relating to a Floating Rate Obligation, the change from a default rate of interest to a non-default rate of interest or an improvement in the obligor's financial condition);

(aa) not an obligation that will cause the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the pool of Collateral to be required to be registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act;

(bb) not an asset, the acquisition (including the manner of acquisition), ownership, enforcement or disposition of which would cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise as subject to tax on a net income basis in any jurisdiction outside the Issuer's jurisdiction of incorporation; and

(cc) not a Bridge Loan.

Pursuant to the definition of "Synthetic Security", any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event".

"Collateral Quality Tests": The Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Life Test, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test, and the S&P CDO Monitor Test.

“Collection Account”: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.2(a).

“Commitment”: At any time in respect of any Class A-1A Note, the maximum aggregate outstanding principal amount of advances (whether at the time funded or unfunded) that the Holder of such Class A-1A Note is obligated from time to time under the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement to make to the Issuer.

“Commitment Fee”: With respect to the Class A-1A Notes, the Commitment Fee Rate multiplied by the Aggregate Undrawn Amount of the Class A-1A Notes for each day during the Draw Period, except that no Commitment Fee shall be paid with respect to the Aggregate Undrawn Amount attributable to a Holder that has breached its obligation to fund a request for a Borrowing from the date of such breach to and until the date such breach has been cured.

“Commitment Fee Amount”: With respect to the Class A-1A Notes as of any Payment Date, the sum of (i) the aggregate amount of Commitment Fee accrued and unpaid as of such Payment Date plus (ii) interest accrued for the Interest Period for such Payment Date at the Note Interest Rate of the Class A-1A Notes on any accrued and unpaid Commitment Fees that became payable on any prior Payment Date.

“Commitment Fee Rate”: A rate per annum equal to 0.17%.

“Commitment Termination Date”: With respect to the Commitments, the earliest of: (i) the Stated Maturity, (ii) the date on which the Commitments are reduced to zero and (iii) any date as of which (x) an Event of Default described in clause (g) or (h) of the definition thereof has occurred and is continuing or (y) (A) any other Event of Default there has occurred and is continuing and (B) the Securities have been declared to be due and payable pursuant to the Indenture (or, in the absence of such declaration, the Holders of at least 66 2/3% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1A Notes have directed the Trustee to give notice to the Issuer of the termination of the Commitments under the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement) and in the case of (x) and (y) the Holders of the Class A-1A Notes have satisfied their funding obligations as a result thereof pursuant to the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement.

“Components”: The Class Q-1 Note Component, the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component, the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component, the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component, the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component and the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component, as the context may require.

“Concentration Limitations”: The limit set forth below with respect to a particular type of Investment Obligation (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) as a percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount:

	Percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount
(1) Senior Secured Loans, Second Lien Loans, Subordinated Lien Loans and Eligible Investments	≥ 92.5%
(a) except that Senior Secured Loans shall meet or exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	≥ 87.5%



	Percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount
(2) Unsecured Loans	$\leq 3.0\%$
(3) Subordinated Lien Loans and Second Lien Loans	$\leq 10.0\%$
(4) High-Yield Bonds	$\leq 7.5\%$
(5) Subordinated Lien Loans, Second Lien Loans and High-Yield Bonds	$\leq 15.0\%$
(6) Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans	$\leq 15.0\%$
(7) DIP Loans	$\leq 5.0\%$
(a) except that with satisfaction of the Rating Condition, DIP Loans may constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 7.5\%$
(8) S&P Unrated DIP Loans	$\leq 2.5\%$
(9) PIK Securities	$\leq 3.0\%$
(10) Structured Finance Obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(a) except that Structured Finance Obligations managed by the Portfolio Manager may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column;	$\leq 5.0\%$
(b) except that a single issuer together with any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) of a Structured Finance Obligation may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column; and	$\leq 3.0\%$
(c) except that any single issuer whose long-term debt obligations are rated below BBB- by S&P, or are rated BBB- by S&P and are on negative watch for downgrade, other than an issuer with respect to which the Rating Condition has been satisfied, may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column;	0%
(11) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States and Canada	$\leq 15.0\%$
(12) obligors Domiciled in Canada or any single Moody's Group I Country	$\leq 10.0\%$

	Percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount
(13) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group II Country	$\leq 5.0\%$
(14) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group III Country	$\leq 2.5\%$
(15) obligors organized in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction	$\leq 5.0\%$
(16) obligations in the same S&P Industry Classification	$\leq 8.0\%$
(a) except that Investment Obligations belonging to two S&P Industry Classifications (not including Telecommunications) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 12.0\%$
(17) obligations of a single issuer or any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties); provided that	$\leq 1.5\%$
(a) obligations of a single issuer or any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) that are Loans that are part of a credit facility with a total global aggregate commitment amount of less than \$75,000,000 may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column; and	$\leq 1.0\%$
(b) obligations (other than described in (a) above) of up to each of five individual issuers (including any of their respective Affiliates but excluding issuers that the Portfolio Manager reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 2.0\%$
(18) Fixed Rate Obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(19) obligations that pay interest less frequently than quarterly but no less frequently than annually	$\leq 7.5\%$
(20) Synthetic Securities	$\leq 20.0\%$

	Percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount
(a) except that Synthetic Securities that provide for settlement other than by physical delivery may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	≤ 5.0%
(b) except that Synthetic Securities that reference a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	≤ 5.0%
(21) Participations ( <u>provided</u> , that no Investment Obligations may be a Participation in a Participation)	≤ 20.0%
(22) Investment Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, in the aggregate may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	≤ 20.0%
(23) Investment Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, a single Secondary Risk Counterparty	≤ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under “Individual Counterparty Limit” for applicable rating*
(24) Investment Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, all Secondary Risk Counterparties	≤ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under “Aggregate Counterparty Limit” for applicable rating**
(25) Deep Discount Obligations	≤ 10.0%
(26) CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(27) Long-Dated Collateral Obligations	≤ 4.0%

	Percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount
(28) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements	≤ 15.0%
(29) Floating Rate Obligations providing for interest at a non-London interbank offered rate	≤ 5.0%
(30) Collateral Obligations that are Loans that are part of a credit facility with a total global aggregate commitment amount of less than \$75,000,000	≤ 10.0%
(31) Collateral Obligations representing units consisting of debt and warrants to purchase equity securities; <u>provided</u> that, with respect to each Collateral Obligation which consists of such unit of debt and warrants, at the time of purchase of such Collateral Obligation, the aggregate value of the warrants included in such unit must be determined by the Portfolio Manager in good faith to be no more than 2% of the outstanding principal amount of the debt included in such unit.	≤ 5.0%
(32) Finance Leases	≤ 5.0%

\* Applicable long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P of such Secondary Risk Counterparty (using the limit for the lower of such ratings if different).

\*\* Long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P at or below a level specified in the Secondary Risk Table (using the lower of such ratings for a Secondary Risk Counterparty, if different).

Subject to the right of the Portfolio Manager to determine otherwise as set out in Section 1.2(h), solely for the purpose of determining whether the Concentration Limitations are met, Eligible Investments and Cash will be treated as Senior Secured Loans and Floating Rate Obligations.

“Controlling Class”: The Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes (voting together as a single Class), so long as any Class A-1 Notes are Outstanding; then the Class A-2 Notes, so long as any Class A-2 Notes are Outstanding; then the Class A-3 Notes, so long as any Class A-3 Notes are Outstanding; then the Class A-4 Notes, so long as any Class A-4 Notes are Outstanding; then the Class B Notes, so long as any Class B Notes are Outstanding; and then the Class C Notes, so long as any Class C Notes are Outstanding.

“Corporate Trust Office”: The corporate trust office of the Trustee at which the Trustee performs its duties under this Indenture, currently having an address of 600 Travis Street, 50<sup>th</sup> Floor, Houston, Texas 77002, telecopy no. (713) 216-2101, Attention: Worldwide Securities Services—Liberty CLO, Ltd. or any other address the Trustee designates from time to time by notice to the Noteholders, the Portfolio Manager, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent, the Issuer and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Trustee.

“Coverage Tests”: The Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Tests.

“Credit Improved Obligation”: Any Collateral Obligation that in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, has improved in credit quality; provided that, if a Credit Rating Event is in effect, such Collateral Obligation will be considered a Credit Improved Obligation only if in addition to the above:

(a) the Collateral Obligation has been upgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing positive credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under this Indenture;

(b) such Collateral Obligation has experienced a reduction in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Portfolio Manager (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody’s);

(c) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has increased by at least 1.00% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Portfolio Manager (provided that this subclause (c)(x) will be deemed satisfied if Market Value increases to 101%), or (y) in the case of a bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more positive than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, plus 3.00%, over the same period; or

(d) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody’s after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (d) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation for this clause (d) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Improved Obligation if:

(a) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Improved Obligation or

(b) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Improved Obligation.

“Credit Rating Event”: An event that is in effect if the rating by Moody’s:

(a) of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes, the Class A-1C Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes or the Class A-4 Notes has been withdrawn or is one or more rating sub-categories below its respective Initial Rating; or

(b) of the Class B Notes or the Class C Notes has been withdrawn or is two or more rating sub-categories below its respective Initial Rating.

For the purposes of this definition, any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not be effective if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody’s has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at

least the Initial Rating in the case of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes, the Class A-1C Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes or the Class A-4 Notes, or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes.

“Credit Risk Obligation”: Any Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, has a significant risk of declining in credit quality and, with a lapse of time, becoming a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

So long as a Credit Rating Event is in effect, no Collateral Obligation shall be eligible to be a Credit Risk Obligation unless in addition to the above, as of the date of determination:

(a) the Collateral Obligation has been downgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing negative credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under this Indenture;

(b) such Collateral Obligation has experienced an increase in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Portfolio Manager (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody’s);

(c) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has decreased by at least 2.50% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Portfolio Manager, and (y) in the case of a bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more negative, or less positive, as the case may be, than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, less 3.00%, over the same period; or

(d) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody’s after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (d) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation for this clause (d) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Risk Obligation if:

- (a) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Risk Obligation, or
- (b) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Risk Obligation.

“Current-Pay Obligation”: A Collateral Obligation as to which:

- (a) except with respect to a DIP Loan, an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to its obligor or as to which its obligor is rated “D” or “SD” by S&P or its obligor has previously been rated “CCC-” by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn,

(b) no default as to the payment of principal or interest with respect to the Collateral Obligation is then continuing and the Portfolio Manager has delivered to the Trustee an officer's certificate to the effect that the Portfolio Manager expects that the obligor will make payments on the Collateral Obligation as they become due,

(c) (A) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is at least "Caa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 80% of its Principal Balance, (B) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is less than "Caa1" or is "Caa1" and on credit watch with negative implications, but greater than or equal to Caa2 without credit watch with negative implications, the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 85% of its Principal Balance; provided that if the Moody's Rating of the Collateral Obligation has been withdrawn but the obligation had a Moody's rating of at least "Caa2" without credit watch with negative implications at the time of default, such Collateral Obligation may be treated as a Current Pay Obligation if its Market Value is at least equal to 85% of its Principal Balance, or (C) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is less than "Caa2" or is "Caa2" and on credit watch with negative implications, but greater than or equal to "Caa3" without credit watch with negative implications, the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 90% of its Principal Balance; provided that if the Moody's Rating of the Collateral Obligation has been withdrawn but the obligation had a Moody's rating of at least "Caa3" without credit watch with negative implications at the time of default, such Collateral Obligation may be treated as a Current Pay Obligation if its Market Value is at least equal to 90% of its Principal Balance;

(d) if an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to the obligor of the Collateral Obligation, a bankruptcy court has authorized the payment of interest payable on the Collateral Obligation, and

(e) the Portfolio Manager has designated in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligation as a Current-Pay Obligation.

If the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations exceeds 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, all or a portion of one or more Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance equal to the amount of the excess shall not be Current-Pay Obligations (and will therefore be Defaulted Collateral Obligations). The Portfolio Manager shall designate in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligations that shall not be Current-Pay Obligations pursuant to the preceding sentence as the Collateral Obligations (or portions thereof) that have the lowest Market Value on any applicable date of determination.

The Portfolio Manager may, by notice to the Issuer, the Trustee, and the Collateral Administrator, change the definition of "Current-Pay Obligation" or how Current-Pay Obligations are treated in this Indenture, subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency but without amendment of this Indenture.

"Current Portfolio": At any time, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations, Principal Proceeds held as Cash on deposit in the Collection Account, and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account that exists before the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or before the acquisition of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

"Custodial Account": The custodial account established in the name of the Trustee pursuant to Section 10.3(a).

“Deep Discount Obligation”: In the case of any Collateral Obligation, until the average Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation, as determined daily for any period of 30 consecutive days, equals or exceeds 90%, any such Collateral Obligation acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 85% of its Principal Balance. For such purpose, the Market Value Percentage of a Collateral Obligation on a day that is not a Business Day shall be deemed to be the Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation on the immediately preceding Business Day.

“Default”: Any Event of Default or any occurrence that, with notice or the lapse of time or both, would become an Event of Default.

“Defaulted Collateral Obligation”: Any Collateral Obligation or other obligation included in the Collateral:

(a) as to which there has occurred and is continuing a default with respect to the payment of interest or principal with respect to such Collateral Obligation, without giving effect to any applicable grace period or waiver (provided that, if the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee in writing that such default is for non-credit related reasons, the related Collateral Obligation shall not be treated as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under this clause (i) unless and until such default has continued for a period of three (3) consecutive Business Days), but, in any case, only until such default has been cured;

(b) the maturity of all or a portion of the principal amount of such Collateral Obligation has been accelerated as a consequence of a default (other than any payment default) under the instruments evidencing or relating to such Collateral Obligation; unless such default or event of default has been fully cured or waived and is no longer continuing and such acceleration has been rescinded;

(c) with respect to which there has been effected any distressed exchange or other debt restructuring where the obligor has offered the holders thereof a new security or instrument or package of securities or instruments that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, either (x) amounts to a diminished financial obligation or (y) has the sole purpose of enabling the obligor to avoid a default;

(d) (1) that is pari passu with or subordinated to other indebtedness for borrowed money owing by its obligor (“Other Indebtedness”), (2) the obligor has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (without regard to any applicable grace or notice period and without regard to any waiver of the default) on the Other Indebtedness, unless, in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid on the Other Indebtedness and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation and (3) the Portfolio Manager (provided that the related Collateral Obligation has not been downgraded after the default on such Other Indebtedness has occurred) determines (in its commercially reasonable judgment) that such Other Indebtedness is material;

(e) (other than a Current-Pay Obligation or a DIP Loan) as to which:

(A) an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to its obligor, or

(B) the obligation is rated “D”, “SD”, “C” or “CC” by S&P or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn, or has previously been rated “CCC-” or lower by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;



(f) if the Collateral Obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation, it is rated “CC” or below by S&P, or it was rated “CC” or below by S&P but the rating has since been withdrawn, or it is rated “Ca” or below by Moody’s, or it was rated “Ca” or below by Moody’s but the rating has since been withdrawn;

(g) that is a Participation that would, if the underlying Loan were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (a) through (e) above or with respect to which the Participating Institution has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Participation;

(h) that is a Synthetic Security referencing a Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (a) through (f) above or with respect to which the Synthetic Security Counterparty has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Synthetic Security; provided, however, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time: (x) a determination whether the Reference Obligations upon which such Synthetic Security is based would, if such Reference Obligations were Collateral Obligations, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct investment by the Issuer in each of the Reference Obligations on which such Synthetic Security is based in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation and (y) the “Defaulted Collateral Obligation” for purposes of this clause (h) shall be limited to the Allocable Principal Balance of each Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (a) through (f) above;

(i) that is a Written-Down Obligation;

(j) that is a DIP Loan as to which an order has been entered converting the debtor’s chapter 11 case to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code; or

(k) that is declared to be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation by the Portfolio Manager.

Any Collateral Obligation that is classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall cease to be so classified if the Collateral Obligation, at any date thereafter,

(1) would not otherwise be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this definition; and

(2) otherwise meets the Eligibility Criteria as of that date.

If any portion of a Collateral Obligation has a maturity later than two years after the Stated Maturity of the Notes due to a change in the payment schedule of the Collateral Obligation occurring after its acquisition by the Issuer, that portion of the Collateral Obligation shall be considered a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

“Defaulted Hedge Termination Payment”: Any termination payment required to be made by the Issuer to a Hedge Counterparty pursuant to a Hedge Agreement upon a termination of the Hedge Agreement in respect of which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

“Defaulted Interest”: Any interest (and in the case of the Class A–1A Notes, the Commitment Fee Amount and in the case of the Class A-1B Notes, the Delayed Drawdown Fee) payable in respect of any Class of Notes that is not punctually paid or duly provided for on the applicable Payment Date or at Stated Maturity.

“Defaulted Interest Charge”: To the extent lawful, interest on any Defaulted Interest at the Default Interest Rate.

“Default Interest Rate”: With respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate equal to the Note Interest Rate payable on the Notes of such Class.

“Deferred Interest”: With respect to any specified Class of Deferred Interest Notes, the meaning specified in Section 2.8(a).

“Deferred Interest Notes”: The Class B Notes and the Class C Notes.

“Delayed Drawdown Fee”: With respect to the Class A–1B Notes and (i) the first Payment Date, the Delayed Drawdown Fee Rate multiplied by the Aggregate Undrawn Amount of the Class A–1B Notes for each day during the Delayed Drawdown Period (except that no Delayed Drawdown Fee shall be paid with respect to the Aggregate Undrawn Amount attributable to a Holder that has breached its obligation to fund a request for a Drawdown from the date of such breach to and until the date such breach has been cured) and (ii) any Payment Date thereafter, any Delayed Drawdown Fee not paid in full on the first Payment Date plus interest accrued thereon for the Interest Period for such Payment Date at the Note Interest Rate of the Class A–1B Notes.

“Delayed Drawdown Fee Rate”: A rate per annum equal to 0.17%.

“Delayed Drawdown Loan”: A Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that

(a) requires the Issuer to make one or more future advances to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments,

(b) specifies a maximum amount that can be borrowed on one or more fixed borrowing dates, and

(c) does not permit the re-borrowing of any amount previously repaid.

A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Delayed Drawdown Loan for so long as its Unfunded Amount is greater than zero.

“Delayed Drawdown Note Agent”: The meaning specified in the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement.

“Delayed Drawdown Note Agent Expenses”: Amounts due to the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent and payable in arrears to the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent pursuant to the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement (other than the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent Fee); provided that the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent Expenses will be payable on any Payment Date only to the extent that funds are available for such purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

“Delayed Drawdown Note Agent Fee”: Only during the Delayed Drawdown Period, the quarterly fee accrued and payable to the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent on each Payment Date pursuant to the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement; provided that the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent Fee will be payable on each Payment Date only to the extent that funds are available for such purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

“Delayed Drawdown Period”: The period commencing on and including the Closing Date and ending on the earlier to occur of (a) the date on which the Fully Drawn Amount of Class A-1B Notes is fully drawn and (b) February 27, 2006.

“Deliver” or “Delivered” or “Delivery”: The taking of the following steps:

(a) in the case of each Certificated Security (other than a Clearing Corporation Security) or Instrument,

(A) causing the delivery of such Certificated Security or Instrument to the Custodian registered in the name of the Relevant Securities Intermediary or its affiliated nominee or endorsed to the Custodian or in blank,

(B) causing the Relevant Securities Intermediary to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Certificated Security or Instrument is credited to the applicable Account, and

(C) causing the Relevant Securities Intermediary to maintain continuous possession of such Certificated Security or Instrument;

(b) in the case of each Uncertificated Security (other than a Clearing Corporation Security),

(A) causing such Uncertificated Security to be continuously registered on the books of the issuer thereof to the Relevant Securities Intermediary, and

(B) causing the Relevant Securities Intermediary to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Uncertificated Security is credited to the applicable Account;

(c) in the case of each Clearing Corporation Security,

(A) causing the relevant Clearing Corporation to credit such Clearing Corporation Security to the securities account of the Relevant Securities Intermediary, and

(B) causing the Relevant Securities Intermediary to continuously indicate by on its books and records that such Clearing Corporation Security is credited to the applicable Account;

(d) in the case of each security issued or guaranteed by the United States of America or agency or instrumentality thereof and that is maintained in book-entry records of a Federal Reserve Bank (“FRB”) (each such security, a “Government Security”),

(A) causing the creation of a Security Entitlement to such Government Security by the credit of such Government Security to the securities account of the Relevant Securities Intermediary at such FRB, and

(B) causing the Relevant Securities Intermediary to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Government Security is credited to the applicable Account;

(e) in the case of each Financial Asset not governed by clauses (a) through (d) above,

(A) causing a Securities Intermediary (x) to indicate on its books and records that the underlying Financial Asset has been credited to be the Relevant Securities Intermediary's securities account, (y) to receive a Financial Asset from a Securities Intermediary or acquiring the underlying Financial Asset for a Securities Intermediary, and in either case, accepting it for credit to the Custodian's securities account or (z) to become obligated under other law, regulation or rule to credit the underlying Financial Asset to a Security Intermediary's securities account,

(B) causing such Securities Intermediary to make entries on its books and records continuously identifying such Security Entitlement as belonging to the Relevant Securities Intermediary and continuously indicating on its books and records that such Security Entitlement is credited to the Relevant Securities Intermediary's securities account, and

(C) causing the Relevant Securities Intermediary to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Security Entitlement (or all rights and property of the Relevant Securities Intermediary representing such Security Entitlement) is credited to the applicable Account;

(f) in the case of cash or money,

(A) causing the delivery of such cash or money to the Custodian,

(B) causing the Relevant Securities Intermediary to treat such cash or money as a Financial Asset maintained by such Relevant Securities Intermediary for credit to the applicable Account in accordance with the provisions of Article 8 of the UCC, and

(C) causing the Relevant Securities Intermediary to continuously indicate on its books and records that such cash or money is credited to the applicable Account or Class P Account; and

(g) in the case of each general intangible (including any Participation in which the Participation is not represented by an Instrument) notifying the obligor thereunder of the Grant to the Trustee (unless not applicable law requires such notice);

(h) causing the filing of a Financing Statement in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of the District of Columbia, Washington, DC, and

(i) causing the registration of this Indenture in the Register of Mortgages of the Issuer at the Issuer's registered office in the Cayman Islands.

In addition, the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer will obtain any and all consents required by the underlying agreements relating to any such general intangibles for the transfer of ownership and/or pledge hereunder (except to the extent that the requirement for such consent is rendered ineffective under Section 9-406 of the UCC).

In addition to the methods specified above, any Collateral may be delivered in accordance with any other method specified in an Opinion of Counsel delivered to the Trustee as sufficient to establish a first priority perfected security interest therein.

“Depository” or “DTC”: The Depository Trust Company and its nominees.

“Determination Date”: The last day of any Due Period.

“DIP Loan”: Any Loan

(i) that has a rating assigned by Moody’s (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by Moody’s, the Portfolio Manager has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by Moody’s within five Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer) and a rating assigned by S&P (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by S&P, the Portfolio Manager has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P within two Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer),

(ii) that is an obligation of a debtor in possession as described in Section 1107 of the Bankruptcy Code or a trustee (if appointment of a trustee has been ordered pursuant to Section 1104 of the Bankruptcy Code) (a “Debtor”) organized under the laws of the United States or any state of the United States; and

(iii) the terms of which have been approved by a final order of the United States Bankruptcy Court, United States District Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, the enforceability of which order is not subject to any pending contested matter or proceeding (as those terms are defined in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure) and which order provides that:

(A) the Loan is secured by liens on the Debtor’s otherwise unencumbered assets pursuant to Section 364(c)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code;

(B) the Loan is secured by liens of equal or senior priority on property of the Debtor’s estate that is otherwise subject to a lien pursuant to Section 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code;

(C) the Loan is fully secured (based on a current valuation or appraisal report) by junior liens on the Debtor’s encumbered assets; or

(D) if any portion of the Loan is unsecured, the repayment of the Loan retains priority over all other administrative expenses pursuant to Section 364(c)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code (and in the case of this clause (D), before the acquisition of the Loan, the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency).

“Diversity Score”: A single number that indicates collateral concentration in terms of both issuer and industry concentration, calculated as set forth in Schedule 4 to this Indenture.

“Diversity Test”: A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Diversity Score equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score.

“Dollar” or “U.S. Dollar” or “U.S.\$”: A dollar or other equivalent unit in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for all debts, public and private.

“Domicile” or “Domiciled”: With respect to each Collateral Obligation, (i) the jurisdiction of incorporation, organization or creation of the related obligor or (ii) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that would otherwise be considered to be domiciled pursuant to clause (i) in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction, the jurisdiction in which, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, the related obligor conducts substantially all of its business operations and in which the assets primarily responsible for generating its revenues are located.

“Draw Period”: The period beginning on the Closing Date and ending on the earlier to occur of (a) the later of (i) the end of the Reinvestment Period and (ii) the date on which the Aggregate Unfunded Amount is zero and, (b) the Commitment Termination Date.

“Drawdown”: The meaning specified in Section 2.13(a).

“Drawdown Date”: The meaning specified in Section 2.13(a).

“Drawn Amount”: At any time (a) with respect to the Class A-1A Notes, the aggregate principal amount of the Class A-1A Notes funded on the Closing Date or by one or more Borrowings after the Closing Date and not repaid hereunder and (ii) with respect to the Class A-1B Notes, the aggregate principal amount of the Class A-1B Notes funded on the Closing Date or by one or more Drawdowns after the Closing Date.

“Due Date”: Each date on which any payment is due on a Pledged Obligation in accordance with its terms.

“Due Period”: Means: (a) for all purposes other than payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements, with respect to (i) the first Payment Date, the period from and including the Closing Date to and including February 28, 2006, (ii) the second Payment Date, the period from and including March 1, 2006 up to but excluding the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the second Payment Date and (iii) any Payment Date thereafter, the period from and including the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the previous Payment Date up to but excluding the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the Payment Date (or in the case of the final Payment Date or any Payment Date that is a Redemption Date, through the Business Day before the Payment Date, and (b) for payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements the period from and including the day after the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date from the Closing Date) to but excluding the Payment Date).

“Eligibility Criteria”: The meaning specified in Section 12.2(b).

“Eligible Collateral”: Means: (i) Cash, (ii) U.S. Treasury obligations, (iii) U.S. agency obligations or (iv) commercial paper obligations rated at least “P-1” by Moody’s (and not on watch for downgrade) and “A-1+” by S&P, in each case to collateralize fully on a mark-to-market basis the obligations of a Hedge Counterparty under the related Hedge Agreement.

“Eligible Country”: The United States, Canada and any country classified by Moody’s as a Moody’s Group I Country, Moody’s Group II Country or Moody’s Group III Country; provided that such country has not imposed currency exchange controls.

“Eligible Investments”: Any Dollar-denominated investment that, when it is pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee under this Indenture, is one or more of the following:

- (a) Cash;

(b) direct Registered obligations of, and Registered obligations the timely payment of principal and interest on which is fully and expressly guaranteed by, the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States the obligations of which are expressly backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, which in each case are not zero coupon securities;

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(d) any demand and time deposits in, trust accounts, certificates of deposit payable within 91 days of issuance of, bankers' acceptances payable within 91 days of issuance issued by, or Federal funds sold by any depository institution or trust company incorporated under the laws of the United States or any state thereof and subject to supervision and examination by Federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or the debt obligations of such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company), at the time of such investment or contractual commitment providing for such investment and throughout the term of the investment, have a credit rating of not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade, or "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P in the case of commercial paper and short-term debt obligations; provided that, in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such investment a long-term credit rating of not less than "AA-" by S&P and "Aa3" by Moody's and a short-term rating of "A-1+" by S&P and "P-1" by Moody's, and if so rated, is not on watch for downgrade;

(e) commercial paper or other short-term obligations with a maturity of not more than 183 days from the date of issuance and having at the time of such investment a credit rating of at least "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P, provided that, in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such investment a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(f) unleveraged repurchase obligations (if treated as debt for tax purposes by the issuer thereof or obligor thereon) with respect to any security described in clause (b) above entered into with a U.S. federal or state depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (c) above or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose long-term credit rating is not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade or whose short-term credit rating is "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P at the time of such investment and throughout the term of the investment; provided that, if such repurchase obligation has a maturity of longer than 91 days, the counterparty thereto must also have at the time of such investment and throughout the term of the investment a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(g) any money market fund or similar investment vehicle having at the time of investment therein and throughout the term of the investment a credit rating of "MR1+" by Moody's and "AAAm" by S&P; including any fund for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee serves as an investment advisor, administrator, shareholder servicing agent, custodian or subcustodian, notwithstanding that (A) the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses from such funds for services rendered (provided that such charges, fees and expenses are on terms consistent with terms negotiated at arm's length) and (B) the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses for services rendered, pursuant to this Indenture; provided that (x) such fund or vehicle is formed and has its principal office outside of the United States and (y) the ownership of an interest in such fund or vehicle will not subject the Issuer to net income tax in any jurisdiction;

(h) a guaranteed reinvestment agreement from a bank (if treated as a deposit by such bank), insurance company or other corporation or entity organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (if treated as debt by such insurance company or other corporation or entity), providing for periodic payments thereunder during each Due Period; provided that each such agreement provides that it is terminable by the purchaser, without premium or penalty, in the event that the rating assigned to such agreement by either Moody's or S&P is at any time lower than the then current ratings assigned to the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes, the Class A-1C Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class A-4 Notes, the Class B Notes or the Class C Notes; provided, further, that, at the time of investment therein and throughout the term of the investment, the issuer of such agreement has a senior unsecured long-term debt rating, issuer rating or counterparty rating of at least "Aaa" by Moody's, a short-term debt rating of "P-1" by Moody's (and not on watch for downgrade), a short-term debt rating of at least "A-1+" by S&P and a long-term debt rating of at least "AAA" by S&P (and not on watch for downgrade); and

(i) such other investments with respect to which the Rating Condition is satisfied, if the acquisition (including manner of acquisition), ownership, enforcement and disposition of such investments does not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes;

and, in each case, with a stated maturity (giving effect to any applicable grace period) no later than the Business Day before the Payment Date next succeeding the date of the investment.

Eligible Investments on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account must have a stated maturity no later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase.

Eligible Investments may not include:

(i) any interest-only security, mortgage-backed security, any security purchased at a price in excess of 100% of its par value, or any security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager;

(ii) any security whose rating assigned by S&P includes the subscript "r," "t," "p," "pi," or "q" or that does not have a rating assigned by S&P;

(iii) any floating rate security whose interest rate is inversely or otherwise not proportionately related to an interest rate index or is calculated as other than the sum of an interest rate index plus a spread (which spread may be zero);

(iv) any security that is subject to an exchange or tender offer; or

(v) any security that has payments subject to foreign or United States withholding tax, unless the obligor thereof is required to make "gross-up" payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax on an after-tax basis.

Eligible Investments may include Eligible Investments for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee provides services. Eligible Investments may not include obligations principally secured by real property.



“Emerging Market Security”: A security or obligation issued by a sovereign or non-sovereign issuer located in a country (excluding the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Netherlands Antilles, and the Channel Islands):

(a) that is in Latin America, Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, or the Caribbean, or

(b) the long-term foreign currency debt obligations of which are rated below “Aa2” or “Aa2” and on credit watch with negative implications by Moody’s or the foreign currency issuer credit rating of which is below “AA” by S&P.

“Equity Security”: (a) Any equity security or any other security which is not eligible for purchase by the Issuer and is received with respect to a Collateral Obligation or a Defaulted Collateral Obligation and (b) any similar security purchased as part of a “unit” with a Collateral Obligation and which itself is not eligible for purchase by the Issuer.

“ERISA”: The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended.

“ERISA Restricted Indenture Securities”: The Class Q-1 Securities, the Class P-1 Securities and the Class P-2 Securities.

“Euroclear”: Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear system.

“Event of Default”: The meaning specified in Section 5.1.

“Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations”: As of any date of determination, the Principal Balance of all CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations constituting the excess of (a) the greater of (i) the aggregate principal amount of all Collateral Obligations that have S&P Ratings of “CCC+” or lower (other than any Defaulted Securities) and (ii) the aggregate principal amount of all Collateral Obligations that have Moody’s Default Probability Ratings of “Caa1” or lower (other than any Defaulted Securities) over (b) 7.5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, as of such date of determination. The Portfolio Manager shall designate in writing to the Trustee the CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations that shall constitute the Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations pursuant to the preceding sentence as the CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations (or portions thereof) that have the lowest Market Value on any applicable date of determination.

“Exchange Act”: The United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

“Exchange Date”: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(b).

“Expense Reimbursement Account”: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(c).

“Extended Reinvestment Period End Date”: In the case of the first Extension pursuant to Section 2.4, the Payment Date in November 2016, in the case of any subsequent Extension, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Reinvestment Period End Date; provided that the “Extended Reinvestment Period End Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November 2028.

“Extended Stated Maturity Date”: In the case of the first Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Payment Date in November 2021 and in the case of any subsequent Maturity Extension, the sixteenth

Payment Date after the then current Extended Stated Maturity Date; provided that the “Extended Stated Maturity Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November 2033.

“Extended Weighted Average Life Date”: In the case of the first Maturity Extension, the Payment Date in May 2019 and in the case of any subsequent Maturity Extension, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Weighted Average Life Date; provided that the “Extended Weighted Average Life Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in May 2031.

“Extension”: An extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test pursuant to Section 2.4.

“Extension Bonus Payment”: With respect to each Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable Beneficial Owner pursuant to Section 2.4(g), in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes, the Class A-1C Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class A-4 Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such Beneficial Owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class B Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such Beneficial Owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (3) in the case of the Class C Notes, 0.5% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such Beneficial Owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date and (4) in the case of the Class Q-1 Securities, 0.5% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Class C Notes represented by the Class Q-1 Note Component.

“Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification”: With respect to each Maturity Extension and each Beneficial Owner of Notes (including each Beneficial Owner of Class Q-1 Securities to the extent of the Class Q-1 Note Component) other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such Beneficial Owner substantially in the form annexed as enclosure B to Exhibit J to the effect that it held Notes (including Class C Notes represented by the Class Q-1 Note Component) other than Extension Sale Securities on the applicable Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof and wire transfer instructions for the Extension Bonus Payment and any required documentation thereunder (including tax certifications).

“Extension Conditions”: The meaning specified in Section 2.4(c).

“Extension Determination Date”: The eighth Business Day prior to each Extension Effective Date.

“Extension Effective Date”: In the case of the first Maturity Extension, the Payment Date in November, 2010 and in the case of any subsequent Maturity Extension, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extension Effective Date.

“Extension Notice”: The meaning specified in Section 2.4(b).

“Extension Purchase Price”: The purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with each Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of (x) the Notes (other than the Class A-1A Notes), the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof and (y) the Class A-1A Notes, the aggregate Drawn Amount thereof, plus in the case of both (x) and (y) accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the applicable Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), plus in the case of the Class A-1A Notes, any accrued and unpaid Commitment Fee and in the case of the Class A-1B Notes, any accrued and unpaid Delayed Drawdown Fee, (ii) in the case of the Class E Certificates, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Class E

Certificates since the Closing Date would cause such Class E Certificates to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof by the Extension Qualifying Purchaser) a Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return of 12% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); provided, that if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received a Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12%, the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Class E Certificates shall be zero; provided, however that in the case of the 3rd or 4th Maturity Extension, for any one Holder of Class E Certificates who holds Class E Certificate with an aggregate “face amount” of at least U.S.\$30,000,000 and cannot consent to the Maturity Extension due to tax, regulatory, compliance or accounting rules or investment policies (whether internally or externally governed), the purchase price payable to such Holder for its Extension Sale Securities consisting of its Class E Certificates will be an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Class E Certificates since the Closing Date would cause such Class E Certificates to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof by the Extension Qualifying Purchaser) a Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return of 15% (assuming such purchase date was a “Payment Date” under the Indenture), provided, that if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holder has received a Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 15%, the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Class E Certificates shall be zero; and (iii) in the case of the Class Q Securities, a purchase price determined based on the respective purchase prices for the Class Q-1 Note Component and the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component.

“Extension Qualifying Purchasers”: The Portfolio Manager (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); provided that in the event the Portfolio Manager elects not to purchase Securities from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.4(c), “Extension Qualifying Purchasers” shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Placement Agent or any of their Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Portfolio Manager; provided, however, none of the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

“Extension Sale Notice”: The meaning specified in Section 2.4(d).

“Extension Sale Notice Period”: The meaning specified in Section 2.4(d).

“Extension Sale Securities”: The meaning specified in Section 2.4(b).

“Face Amount”: With respect to any Class E Certificate, the amount set forth therein as the “face amount” thereof, which “face amount” shall be \$1,000 per Class E Certificate.

“Finance Lease”: A lease agreement or other agreement entered into in connection with and evidencing a Leasing Finance Transaction.

“Financial Asset”: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(9) of the UCC.

“Financing Statements”: Financing statements relating to the Collateral naming the Issuer as debtor and the Trustee on behalf of the Secured Parties as secured party.

“Fixed Rate Excess”: As of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose numerator is the product of:

(a) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date over the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, and

(b) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date,

and whose denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Fixed Rate Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Spread Excess were equal to zero.

“Fixed Rate Obligation”: Any Collateral Obligation that bears interest at a fixed rate, including a Collateral Obligation that does not bear interest on a floating rate index and whose interest rate is scheduled to increase one or more times over the life of the Collateral Obligation.

“Floating Rate Obligation”: Any Collateral Obligation that bears interest based on a floating rate index.

“Form-Approved Synthetic Security”: A Synthetic Security:

(i) (A) each of the Reference Obligations of which satisfy the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and either (x) is in a form which conforms to a form that has been expressly identified and approved in writing in connection with a request under this Indenture by S&P, has an S&P Recovery Rate assigned by S&P and each of the Reference Obligations of which could be purchased by the Issuer without satisfaction of the Rating Condition or any other action by the Rating Agencies or (y) which the Rating Agencies have otherwise approved; or

(B) each of the Reference Obligations of which would satisfy clause (A) above but for the currency in which the Reference Obligation is payable and the Synthetic Security is payable in Dollars, does not provide for physical settlement, and does not expose the Issuer to Dollar currency risk;

(i) the Synthetic Security Agreement of which conforms (but for the amount and timing of periodic payments, the name of the Reference Obligation, the notional amount, the effective date, the termination date, and other similar necessary changes) to a form that has been expressly identified and approved in writing in connection with a request under this Indenture by Moody’s and S&P; and

(ii) that is with a counterparty with respect to which the Rating Condition has been satisfied by each of Moody’s and S&P prior to the acquisition of any such Form-Approved Synthetic Security, and such approval has not been withdrawn.

Moody’s or S&P may at any time, by notice to the Portfolio Manager, withdraw its approval of any such form. A withdrawal of approval shall have no effect on any Synthetic Security acquired, entered into, or committed to before the date on which the Portfolio Manager receives the notice of withdrawal.

“Fully Drawn Amount”: The maximum aggregate principal amount that can be drawn under the Class A-1B Notes, in an amount equal to \$50,000,000.

“GAAP”: The meaning specified in Section 6.3(j).

“Global Securities”: Any Temporary Regulation S Global Securities, Temporary Regulation S Global Securities or Rule 144 A Global Notes.

“Grant”: To grant, bargain, sell, warrant, alienate, remise, demise, release, convey, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge, create, and grant a security interest in and right of setoff against, deposit, set over, and confirm. A Grant of the Collateral (including the Pledged Obligations), the Class P Collateral or of any other instrument, shall include all rights, powers, and options of the granting party thereunder, including the immediate continuing right to claim for, collect, receive, and receipt for principal and interest payments in respect of thereof, and all other monies payable thereunder, to give and receive notices and other communications, to make waivers or other agreements, to exercise all rights and options, to bring Proceedings in the name of the granting party or otherwise, and generally to do and receive anything that the granting party is or may be entitled to do or receive thereunder or with respect thereto.

“Hedge Agreements”: Collectively, all interest rate cap or interest rate swap agreements between the Issuer and any Hedge Counterparty, and any replacement agreement entered into pursuant to Section 15.2.

“Hedge Counterparty”: Any counterparty which as of the date the Issuer enters into any Hedge Agreement with such counterparty satisfies the requirements of Section 15.2(b) or for which the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied.

“Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account”: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(d).

“Hedge Termination Receipt”: Any termination payment paid by the Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer upon any early termination of a Hedge Agreement with respect to which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

“High-Yield Bond”: Any debt security other than a Loan, including any Structured Finance Obligation, that is either Registered or, if not Registered, (i) it is issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States, (ii) the payments on it are not subject to United States withholding tax and (iii) it is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation Section 1.165-12(c)(3).

“Holder”: With respect to any Note, Class Q-1 Securities and Class P Securities, the person whose name appears on the Indenture Register as the registered holder of such Security; and with respect to any Class E Certificate, the person whose name appears in the Class E Certificate register related thereto as the registered holder of such Class E Certificate.

“Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice”: A notice substantially in the form of Exhibit H-2.

“Incentive Management Fee”: On each Payment Date, the fee payable to the Portfolio Manager in an amount equal to: (i) 20% of the remaining Interest Proceeds, if any, available for payment in respect of the Incentive Management Fee pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(i)(23) of the Priority of Payments and (ii) 20% of the remaining Principal Proceeds, if any, available for payment in respect of the Incentive Management Fee pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(9) of the Priority of Payments.

“Indenture”: This instrument as originally executed and, if from time to time supplemented or amended by one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture entered into pursuant to this Indenture, as so supplemented or amended.

“Indenture Register”: The meaning specified in Section 2.6(a).

“Indenture Registrar”: The meaning specified in Section 2.6(a).

“Indenture Securities”: Collectively, the Notes, Class Q-1 Securities and Class P Securities.

“Independent”: As to any person, any other person (including, in the case of an accountant or lawyer, a firm of accountants or lawyers, and any member of the firm, or an investment bank and any member of the bank) who

(i) does not have and is not committed to acquire any material direct or any material indirect financial interest in the person or in any Affiliate of the person, and

(ii) is not connected with the person as an Officer, employee, promoter, underwriter, voting trustee, partner, director, or person performing similar functions.

“Independent” when used with respect to any accountant may include an accountant who audits the books of the person if in addition to satisfying the criteria above the accountant is independent with respect to the person within the meaning of Rule 101 of the Code of Ethics of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

Whenever any Independent person’s opinion or certificate is to be furnished to the Trustee, the opinion or certificate shall state that the signer has read this definition and that the signer is Independent within the meaning of this Indenture.

“Initial Collateral Obligations”: The Collateral Obligations purchased by the Issuer on or before the Closing Date.

“Initial Consent Period”: The period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee provided notice of a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2(e) to the Holders of Securities.

“Initial Purchaser”: With respect to the Notes (other than the Class A-1A Notes and the Class A-1B Notes), the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities, Citigroup Global Markets Inc.

“Initial Rating”: The ratings with respect to each Class of Securities assigned by Moody’s and S&P on the Closing Date as set forth in the table in Section 2.3(a).

“Insolvency Event”: With respect to any person, means that:

(i) an involuntary proceeding shall be commenced or an involuntary petition shall be filed seeking:

(A) liquidation, reorganization, or other relief in respect of the person or its debts, or of all or substantially all of its assets, under any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar law now or hereafter in effect, or

(B) the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, conservator, or similar official for the person or for all or substantially all of its assets,

and, in any such case, the proceeding or petition shall continue undismissed for 30 days; or an order or decree approving or ordering any of the foregoing shall be entered, or

(ii) the person shall:

(A) voluntarily commence any proceeding or file any petition seeking liquidation, reorganization, or other relief under any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar law now or hereafter in effect,

(B) consent to the institution of, or fail to contest in a timely and appropriate manner, any proceeding or petition described in clause (i) above,

(C) apply for or consent to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, or conservator or for all or substantially all of its assets,

(D) file an answer admitting the material allegations of a petition filed against it in any such proceeding, or

(E) make a general assignment for the benefit of creditors.

“Instrument”: The meaning specified in Section 9-102(a)(47) of the UCC.

“Interest Coverage Ratio”: With respect to any specified Class of Notes (treating the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class A-4 Notes as one Class for this purpose) on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by dividing:

(i) the sum of:

(A) the Interest Proceeds received or scheduled to be received with respect to the Due Period in which the Measurement Date occurs, minus

(B) amounts payable under clauses (1), (2), (3) and (4) of Section 11.1(a)(i) on the related Payment Date, by:

(ii) all accrued and unpaid interest on the specified Class of Notes (and the Commitment Fee Amount with respect to the Class A-1A Notes and the Delayed Drawdown Fee with respect to the Class A-1B Notes), and all Notes ranking senior to the Class on the related Payment Date, but excluding any Deferred Interest as of the related Payment Date.

For purposes of the Interest Coverage Ratio, only the amount of any interest payment (including any “gross up” payment) on any Collateral Obligation in excess of any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction on any date of determination shall be included in Interest Proceeds.

“Interest Coverage Test”: A test the first Measurement Date for which will be on the Determination Date immediately preceding the second Payment Date and that is satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes (treating the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class A-4 Notes as one Class for this purpose) if, as of the Determination Date immediately preceding the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding,

the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level in the table below for the specified Class:

<u>Test</u>	<u>Required Level</u>
Class A Interest Coverage Test	125%
Class B Interest Coverage Test	115%
Class C Interest Coverage Test	110%

“Interest Period”: Initially, the period from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the first Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date; provided that with respect to any Borrowing made under the Class A-1A Notes and any Drawdown made under the Class A-1B Notes, the first Interest Period shall be the period from and including the date of such Borrowing or Drawdown, as applicable, to but excluding the Payment Date following such date, unless in the case of a Borrowing, the date of such Borrowing falls in the period from and including a Determination Date to and including the day prior to the related Payment Date, in which case such first Interest Period shall run from and including the date of such Borrowing to but excluding the second Payment Date following such date.

“Interest Proceeds”: With respect to any Due Period, the sum (without duplication) of all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period (or as otherwise specified below) by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are:

- (i) payments of interest, fees (including commitment fees with respect to the Unfunded Amount of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan), and commissions (excluding (A) Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal, (B) interest and dividends on Workout Assets, (C) fees and commissions from Defaulted Collateral Obligations, and (D) syndication and other up-front fees and any up-front fixed payments received in connection with entering into a Synthetic Security);
- (ii) any portion of the Sale Proceeds of a Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) representing Accrued Interest On Sale;
- (iii) all payments of principal on, or disposition proceeds from the sale of, Eligible Investments to the extent purchased with Interest Proceeds;
- (iv) payments with respect to the Hedge Agreements received on or before the related Payment Date other than (x) any amount payable under any Hedge Agreement because of any early termination or notional amount reduction, (y) any Sale Proceeds with respect to any Hedge Agreement (except to the extent that they were purchased with Interest Proceeds) and (z) any payments (including any Sale Proceeds purchased with Interest Proceeds) with respect to any Hedge Agreement used in entering into a replacement Hedge Agreement;
- (v) all fees received pursuant to any Securities Lending Agreements;
- (vi) during the continuance of an “event of default” (under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement), all interest received from the related Securities Lending Collateral;



(vii) amounts in the Collection Account designated for distribution as Interest Proceeds pursuant to the Priority of Payments (including any amount transferred from the Interest Reserve Account);

(viii) all earnings on amounts in the Revolving Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.3(b);

(ix) amounts in the Expense Reimbursement Account on the Payment Date for the relevant Due Period; and

(x) any recoveries (including interest) received on a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in excess of the principal balance of such Defaulted Collateral Obligation (as of the date the related Collateral Obligation became a Defaulted Collateral Obligation).

Interest Proceeds shall not include earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

Each reference in the definition of “Interest Proceeds” to a Collateral Obligation shall include a Collateral Obligation that has been loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and Interest Proceeds shall include any amounts referred to in clauses (i) through (iii) above received by the Issuer in respect of the Collateral Obligation indirectly from the related Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement.

For the avoidance of doubt, “Interest Proceeds” shall not include the Class P Collateral or any proceeds thereof.

“Interest Reserve Account”: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(i).

“Investment Company Act”: The United States Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

“Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance”: For any Collateral Obligation other than Deep Discount Obligations, its Principal Balance; and for any Deep Discount Obligation its Purchase Price; provided, however, that the Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance for any Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligation shall be the product of (i) its Principal Balance and (ii) the lower of (a) the weighted average Market Value (for this purpose expressed as a percentage of principal balance) of all Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances and (b) 70%.

“Investment Obligation”: For a Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security, and otherwise the Collateral Obligation.

“Irish Paying and Listing Agent”: The meaning specified in Section 7.2.

“Irish Stock Exchange”: The Irish Stock Exchange Limited.

“Issuer”: The person named as such on the first page of this Indenture.

“Issuer Accounts”: The meaning assigned in the Granting Clauses.

“Issuer Accounts Securities Intermediary”: The Securities Intermediary for the Issuer Accounts.

“Issuer Order” and “Issuer Request”: A written order or request dated and signed in the name of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, or by the Portfolio Manager by an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

“Issuer Ordinary Shares”: The ordinary shares, par value \$1.00 per share, of the Issuer, which have been issued by the Issuer and are outstanding from time to time.

“Junior Class”: With respect to a particular Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that is subordinated to that Class, as indicated in Section 13.1.

“Knowledgeable Employee”: The meaning specified in Rule 3c-5 under the Investment Company Act.

“Leasing Finance Transaction”: Any transaction pursuant to which the obligations of the lessee to pay rent or other amounts on a triple net basis under any lease of (or other arrangement conveying the right to use) real or personal property, or a combination thereof, are required to be classified and accounted for as a capital lease on a balance sheet of such lessee under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America; but only if (a) such lease or other transaction provides for the unconditional obligation of the lessee to pay a stated amount of principal no later than a stated maturity date, together with interest thereon, and the payment of such obligation is not subject to any material non-credit related risk as determined by the Portfolio Manager, (b) the obligations of the lessee in respect of such lease or other transaction are fully secured, directly or indirectly, by the property that is the subject of such lease and (c) the interest held by the Issuer in respect of such lease or other transaction is treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

“LIBOR”: Determined by the Calculation Agent for any Interest Period, the offered rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent, for three month Dollar deposits that appears on Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News (or a page that replaces Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), as of 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period.

If, on the second Business Day before the first day of any relevant Interest Period, that rate does not appear on Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Market Commodities News (or a page that replaces Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), the Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks to prime banks in the London interbank market for three month Dollar deposits in Europe, by reference to requests by the Calculation Agent to four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Portfolio Manager) (the “Reference Banks”) for quotations as of approximately 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the Interest Period. If at least two of the Reference Banks provide quotations as requested, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean. If fewer than two Reference Banks provide quotations, LIBOR shall be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that leading banks in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Portfolio Manager) are quoting to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period for three month Dollar deposits.

If the Calculation Agent is unable to determine a rate in accordance with any of the above procedures, LIBOR for the Interest Period shall be calculated on the last day of the Interest Period and shall be the arithmetic mean of the rate of interest for each day during the Interest Period determined by the Calculation Agent as being the rate of interest most recently announced by the Bank at its New York office as its base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans (or if the Bank ceases to exist or is not quoting a base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans, another major money center commercial bank in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Portfolio Manager)).

For the first Interest Period, LIBOR shall be 4.44672%. All calculations shall be calculated to at least four decimal places and rounded to four decimal places.

“Loan”: Any interest in a fully committed, senior secured, unsecured, or revolving loan (including loans involving credit linked deposits) that is acquired by assignment or by Participation (including any DIP Loan) that is either:

- (i) Registered, or
- (ii) issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States:
  - (A) whose payments are not subject to United States withholding tax; and
  - (B) that is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation Section 1.165-12(c)(3).

“Long-Dated Collateral Obligation”: Any Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturity of the Notes other than a Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturities of the Notes that includes a “put” option to its obligor at a price of at least par payable on or before the Stated Maturity of the Notes; provided that such Collateral Obligation shall in no event have a stated maturity later than two years after the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

“Majority”: With respect to any Class or group of Securities (other than the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities), the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Securities. Holders of Class Q-1 Securities shall be included in the determination of a Majority of Holders of Class C Notes as if they were Holders of the Class C Notes in the Aggregate Outstanding Amount represented by the Class Q-1 Note Component and in the determination of a Majority of Holders of the Class E Certificates as if they were Holders of the number of Class E Certificates represented by the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component. Holders of the Class P-1 Securities and the Class P-2 Securities shall be included in the determination of a Majority of Holders of the Class E Certificates as if they were Holders of the number of Class E Certificates represented by the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component or the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component, as applicable. With respect to the Class Q-1 Securities as such, the Class P-1 Securities as such and the Class P-2 Securities as such “Majority” means the Holders of more than 50% of the respective stated amount thereof.

“Management Agreement”: The Portfolio Management Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

“Management Fee”: The Senior Management Fee, the Subordinated Management Fee, and the Incentive Management Fee. The Portfolio Manager may, in its sole discretion:

(i) waive all or any portion of the Management Fee, any funds representing the waived Management Fees to be retained in the Collection Account for distribution as either Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds (as determined by the Portfolio Manager) pursuant to the Priority of Payments; or

(ii) defer all or any portion of the Management Fee, any funds representing the deferred Management Fees to be retained in the Collection Account, when they will become payable in the same manner and priority as their original characterization would have required unless deferred again.

“Margin Stock”: “Margin Stock” as defined under Regulation U issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, including any debt security that is by its terms convertible into Margin Stock.

“Market Value”: As of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Portfolio Manager and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any Collateral Obligation based upon the Portfolio Manager’s commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the lower of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the bid-side prices for the purchase of the Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Portfolio Manager) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Portfolio Manager); provided that if a Market Value of any Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined for a period of 30 consecutive days then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero; provided, further, that during such 30-day period, such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the lower of (i) (if any) the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as most recently determined by the Portfolio Manager in accordance with the foregoing and (ii) the current market value of such Collateral Obligation as determined by the Portfolio Manager in its commercially reasonable judgment; provided, further, that the maximum amount of Collateral Obligations having a Market Value assigned pursuant to the immediately preceding proviso shall be limited to 5.0% of the Maximum Investment Amount (and any amount in excess of 5.0% of the Maximum Investment Amount shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero).

“Market Value Percentage”: For any Collateral Obligation, the ratio obtained by dividing:

- (i) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation, by
- (ii) the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation.

“Maturity”: With respect to any Note, the date on which the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable as provided in the Note or this Indenture, whether at the Stated Maturity or by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise.

“Maturity Extension”: The meaning specified in Section 2.4(a).

“Maximum Investment Amount”: An amount equal to:

- (i) on any Measurement Date during the Ramp-Up Period, U.S.\$900,000,000; and

(ii) on any Measurement Date after the Ramp-Up Completion Date:

(A) the aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations plus the aggregate outstanding principal amount of any Defaulted Collateral Obligations; plus

(B) Cash representing Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; plus

(C) Eligible Investments (other than Cash) purchased by the Issuer with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; plus

(D) without duplication, an amount equal to the excess of (x) the Aggregate Undrawn Amount of Class A-1A Notes over (y) the Aggregate Unfunded Amount minus the amount credited to the Revolving Reserve Account; plus

(E) without duplication, an amount equal to the Aggregate Undrawn Amount of the Class A-1B Notes.

“Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor”: As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the sum of (i) the number set forth in the column entitled “Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Portfolio Manager (or the interpolation between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable) plus (ii) the Recovery Rate Modifier.

“Measurement Date”: Any date:

(i) on which the Issuer commits to acquire or dispose of any Collateral Obligation;

(ii) on which a Collateral Obligation becomes a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;

(iii) that is a Determination Date;

(iv) that is the Ramp-Up Completion Date; and

(v) as of which the information in a Monthly Report is calculated pursuant to Section

10.6.

“Memorandum and Articles of Association”: The memorandum and articles of association of the Issuer, as amended and restated before the Closing Date or in accordance with this Indenture.

“Merging Entity”: The meaning specified in Section 7.10.

“Minimum Diversity Score”: As of any Measurement Date, a score equal to the number set forth in the column entitled “Minimum Diversity Score” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Portfolio Manager (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

“Minimum Weighted Average Commitment Fee”: As of any Measurement Date, 0.4%.

“Minimum Weighted Average Spread”: As of any Measurement Date, the spread equal to the percentage set forth in the row entitled “Minimum Weighted Average Spread” in the Ratings

Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Portfolio Manager (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

“Monthly Determination Date”: The meaning specified in Section 10.6(a).

“Monthly Report”: The meaning specified in Section 10.6(a).

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

“Moody’s Default Probability Rating”: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

“Moody’s Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating”: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

“Moody’s Group I Country”: Any of the following countries: Australia, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and any country subsequently determined by Moody’s to be a Moody’s Group I Country.

“Moody’s Group II Country”: Any of the following countries: Germany, Ireland, Sweden, Switzerland and any country subsequently determined by Moody’s to be a Moody’s Group II Country.

“Moody’s Group III Country”: Any of the following countries: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, Spain and any country subsequently determined by Moody’s to be a Moody’s Group III Country.

“Moody’s Industry Classification”: The industry classifications in Schedule 2 as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by Moody’s.

“Moody’s Non Senior Secured Loan”: Any Loan that is not a Moody’s Senior Secured Loan.

“Moody’s Obligation Rating”: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

“Moody’s Priority Category”: Each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of “Applicable Percentage” as a “Moody’s Priority Category.”

“Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate”: For any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of “Applicable Percentage” opposite the Moody’s Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

“Moody’s Rating”: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

“Moody’s Rating Factor”: The number in the table below opposite the rating of the Collateral Obligation (excluding Synthetic Securities where an Assigned Moody’s Rating is not available).

<b>Moody’s Rating</b>	<b>Moody’s Rating Factor</b>	<b>Moody’s Rating</b>	<b>Moody’s Rating Factor</b>
Aaa	1	Ba1	940

<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>	<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>
Aa1	10	Ba2	1350
Aa2	20	Ba3	1766
Aa3	40	B1	2220
A1	70	B2	2720
A2	120	B3	3490
A3	180	Caa1	4770
Baa1	260	Caa2	6500
Baa2	360	Caa3	8070
Baa3	610	Ca or lower	10000

The Moody's Rating Factor for Collateral Obligations that are Synthetic Securities shall be determined by Moody's and obtained by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on a case-by-case basis, unless there is an Assigned Moody's Rating available for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, in which case such Assigned Moody's Rating shall be used to compute the Moody's Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security.

"Moody's Senior Secured Loan":

(a) A Loan that:

(i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan;

(ii) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan; and

(iii) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal seniority secured by a first lien or security interest in the same collateral; or

(b) a Loan that:

(i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan, other than, with respect to a Loan described in clause (a) above, with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such loan;

(ii) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan; and

(iii) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash

flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by a first or second lien or security interest in the same collateral,

provided that such second lien Loan will only constitute a Moody's Senior Secured Loan if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating that is not lower than the corporate family rating by Moody's of the related obligor; and

(c) the Loan is not: (i) a DIP Loan, (ii) a Loan for which the security interest or lien (or the validity or effectiveness thereof) in substantially all of its collateral attaches, becomes effective, or otherwise "springs" into existence after the origination thereof, or (iii) a type of loan that Moody's has identified as having unusual terms and with respect to which its Moody's Recovery Rate has been or is to be determined on a case-by-case basis.

"Moody's Weighted Average Recovery Rate": As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the number obtained by

(i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) by its respective Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate,

(ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations), and

(iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

"Non-Call Period": The period from the Closing Date to but not including the Payment Date in November 2010.

"Non-Consenting Holder": In connection with any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, with respect to the Holders of the Securities, any such Holder or, in the case of such Securities represented by Global Securities, any Beneficial Owner thereof, that either (i) has declared in writing that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) had not consented to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

"Non-Performing Collateral Obligation": Any Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any PIK Security as to which its issuer or obligor has previously deferred or capitalized any interest due on it and all the interest so deferred or capitalized has not subsequently been paid in full in cash by:

(i) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above, the earlier of its second payment date or one year following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it; or

(ii) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "Baa3," or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "BBB-," the earlier of its first payment date or six months following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it.



“Non-Permitted Holder”: (i) A Holder or Beneficial Owner of an interest in a Global Security or Certificated Indenture Security that is (x) a U.S. person and (A) is not a QIB/QP and that becomes the Beneficial Owner of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note or (B) does not have an exemption available under the Securities Act or (y) not a U.S. person and is determined not to have acquired such beneficial interest in compliance with the requirements of Regulation S or have another exemption available under the Securities Act and (ii) a Holder of a Certificated Indenture Security that is in material breach of any representation or agreement set forth in the applicable transfer certificate.

“Non-Permitted ERISA Holder”: The meaning specified in Section 2.11(d).

“Note Break-Even Loss Rate”: With respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the maximum percentage of defaults that the Current Portfolio or Proposed Portfolio can sustain and nevertheless sufficient funds will remain for the payment of principal of such Class of Notes in full by its Stated Maturity and the timely payment of interest on the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes, the Class A-1C Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class A-4 Notes and the ultimate payment of interest on the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes using S&P’s assumptions on recoveries, defaults, and timing, and taking into account the Priority of Payments and the Adjusted Weighted Average Spread level specified in the applicable row of the table below. The “Adjusted Weighted Average Spread” as of any Measurement Date is the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date minus the amount of any Spread Excess added to the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon as of the Measurement Date.

Row	Adjusted Weighted Average Spread
1	Greater than or equal to 3.00%
2	Greater than or equal to 2.90% but less than 3.00%
3	Greater than or equal to 2.80% but less than 2.90%
4	Greater than or equal to 2.70% but less than 2.80%
5	Greater than or equal to 2.60% but less than 2.70%
6	Greater than or equal to 2.50% but less than 2.60%
7	Greater than or equal to 2.40% but less than 2.50%
8	Greater than or equal to 2.30% but less than 2.40%
9	Greater than or equal to 2.20% but less than 2.30%

“Note Class Loss Differential”: With respect to any Measurement Date and any Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the rate calculated by subtracting the Class Scenario Loss Rate for such Class from the then-applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate (corresponding to the S&P Monitor Test that is created with the Adjusted Weighted Average Spread of the Current Portfolio) for such Class of Notes.

“Noteholder”: A Holder of any Class of Notes (which shall include Holders of the Class Q-1 Securities to the extent of the Class Q-1 Note Component).

“Note Interest Rate”: With respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate payable on the Notes of such Class with respect to each Interest Period equal to LIBOR for the applicable Interest Period plus the spread specified in the “Interest Rate” rows of the tables in Section 2.3 with respect to such Notes, except in the first Interest Period.

“Notes”: The Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes, the Class A-1C Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class A-4 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes authorized by, and authenticated and delivered under, this Indenture or any supplemental indenture.

“Offer”: The meaning specified in Section 10.7(c).

“Offering”: The offering of the Notes and the Class E Certificates.

“Offering Memorandum”: The final Offering Memorandum, dated December 7, 2005, prepared and delivered in connection with the offer and sale of the Securities.

“Officer”: With respect to the Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to the Co-Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to any partnership, any of its general partners; and with respect to the Trustee, any Trust Officer.

“Opinion of Counsel”: A written opinion addressed to the Trustee and each Rating Agency, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and each Rating Agency, of an attorney at law (or law firm with one or more partners) reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and admitted to practice before the highest court of any state of the United States or the District of Columbia (or the Cayman Islands, in the case of an opinion relating to the laws of the Cayman Islands), which attorney (or law firm) may, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, be counsel for the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. Whenever an Opinion of Counsel is required under this Indenture, the Opinion of Counsel may rely on opinions of other counsel who are so admitted and so satisfactory, which opinions of other counsel shall accompany the Opinion of Counsel and shall either be addressed to the Trustee and each Rating Agency or shall state that the Trustee and each Rating Agency may rely on it. An Opinion of Counsel may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion.

“Optional Redemption”: A redemption of the Notes in accordance with Section 9.2.

“Other Indebtedness”: The meaning specified in the definition of “Defaulted Collateral Obligation.”

“Outstanding”: With respect to: (a) the Notes or any specified Class, as of any date of determination, all of the Notes, or all of the Notes of the specified Class, as the case may be, theretofore authenticated and delivered under this Indenture, (ii) with respect to the Class Q-1 Securities, as of any date of determination, all Class Q-1 Securities theretofore authenticated and delivered under the Indenture and (iii) the Class P-1 Securities and the Class P-2 Securities, as of any date of determination, all Class P-1 Securities and Class P-2 Securities, as applicable, theretofore authenticated and delivered under the Indenture, in each case except Notes, Class Q-1 Securities and Class P Securities, as applicable:

(i) canceled by the Indenture Registrar or delivered to the Indenture Registrar for cancellation;

(ii) for whose payment or redemption funds in the necessary amount have been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for their

Holders pursuant to Section 4.1(a)(ii) and if such Securities are to be redeemed, notice of redemption has been duly given pursuant to this Indenture;

(iii) in exchange for or in lieu of which other Securities have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to this Indenture; and

(iv) alleged to have been destroyed, lost, or stolen for which replacement Securities have been issued as provided in Section 2.7, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Securities are held by a protected purchaser;

(b) the Class E Certificates, as of any date of determination, all of the Class E Certificates theretofore issued under the Class E Certificate Documents and listed in the Class E Certificate register of the Issuer as outstanding;

provided that, in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes, Class Q-1 Securities, Class P Securities or the Class E Certificates have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, or waiver under this Indenture:

(i) (A) the Class C Notes represented by the Class Q-1 Note Component shall be considered to be Class C Notes and Holders of Class Q-1 Securities shall be entitled to vote the Class C Notes represented by the Class Q-1 Note Component, and (B) the Class E Certificates represented by any Class E Certificate Component shall be considered to be Class E Certificates and Holders of the Class Q-1 Securities shall be entitled to vote the Class E Certificates represented by the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component, Holders of the Class P-1 Securities shall be entitled to vote the Class E Certificates represented by the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component and Holders of the Class P-2 Securities shall be entitled to vote the Class E Certificates represented by the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component;

(ii) Securities owned or beneficially owned by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, any Affiliate of either of them shall be disregarded and not be Outstanding; and

(iii) only (x) with respect to any matter affecting its status as Portfolio Manager, or (y) in any matter respecting an acceleration of any Class of Securities if the effect of the Portfolio Manager's action or inaction as a Holder of Securities would effectively prevent acceleration, Securities owned or beneficially owned by the Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates and any accounts over which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority, shall be disregarded and not be Outstanding,

except that with respect to clause (ii) and clause (iii) above, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, or waiver, only Securities that a Trust Officer of the Trustee has actual knowledge to be so owned or beneficially owned shall be so disregarded. Securities so owned or beneficially owned that have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee the pledgee's right so to act with respect to the Securities and that the pledgee is not the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent or any Affiliate of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

"Overcollateralization Ratio": With respect to any Class of Notes (treating the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class A-4 Notes as one Class for this purpose) on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by dividing:

(i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator; by

(ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any Deferred Interest on the Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it).

“Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator”: On any date, the sum of:

(1) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (other than any Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, any Deep Discount Obligations, and any Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an “event of default” (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing); plus

(2) unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal (excluding any unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal in respect of Non-Performing Collateral Obligations); plus

(3) the Aggregate Principal Balance of any Eligible Investments that were purchased with Principal Proceeds and, without duplication, the amount of Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; plus

(4) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Eligible Investments on deposit in a Securities Lending Account that relate to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an “event of default” (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing; plus

(5) with respect to Collateral Obligation that are Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, Deep Discount Obligations or Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, the amount determined by using one of the following methods applicable to such type of Collateral Obligation; provided that if a Collateral Obligation falls within more than one of such types, the Issuer will be required to use the method that results in the smallest amount:

(A) with respect to any Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, an amount equal to the product of (i) the lower of (1) 70% and (2) the weighted average Market Value of all Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances multiplied by (ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations;

(B) with respect to any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, the aggregate of the Applicable Collateral Obligation Amounts for all included Non-Performing Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations that have been held by the Issuer for more than three years, which shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this clause (B)); and

(C) with respect to any Deep Discount Obligations, the Aggregate Purchase Price Amount for all Deep Discount Obligations.

As used in this definition, “Applicable Collateral Obligation Amount” for any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation means:

(a) the lesser of:

(x) the Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation;

and

(y) the Applicable Percentage for the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation;

*multiplied by:*

(b) if the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation is:

(1) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (2) through (4) below, its outstanding principal amount as of the relevant Measurement Date;

(2) any Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in such Synthetic Security;

(3) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its funded principal amount outstanding plus any Unfunded Amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the Unfunded Amount); and

(4) any PIK Security, its outstanding principal amount but excluding any principal amount representing previously deferred or capitalized interest;

provided however, that, for the avoidance of doubt, the Applicable Collateral Obligation Amount with respect to any Collateral Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest shall be zero.

As used in the calculation of Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation, the Principal Balance of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall be, if the Defaulted Collateral Obligation is:

(i) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (ii) through (iv) below, its outstanding principal amount as of the relevant Measurement Date;

(ii) any Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in such Synthetic Security;

(iii) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its outstanding principal amount plus any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and

(iv) any PIK Security, its outstanding principal amount but excluding any principal amount representing previously deferred or capitalized interest.

"Overcollateralization Test": A test that is satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes (treating the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class A-4 Notes as one Class for this purpose) if, as of any Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for such Class is at least equal to the required level for the specified Class indicated in the table below:

<u>Test</u>	<u>Required Level</u>
Class A Overcollateralization Test	111.7%
Class B Overcollateralization Test	106.0%
Class C Overcollateralization Test	103.8%

“Participating Institution”: An institution that creates a participation interest and that has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody’s of at least “A3” (and if so rated by Moody’s such rating is not on watch for possible downgrade) and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least “A”.

“Participation”: A Loan acquired as a participation interest created by a Participating Institution.

“Paying Agent”: Any person authorized by the Issuer to pay the principal of or interest on any Notes on behalf of the Issuer as specified in Section 7.2.

“Payment Account”: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(h).

“Payment Date”: (i) The first day of February, May, August and November in each year; *provided* that the first Payment Date shall be March 3, 2006 and the second Payment Date will be May 2, 2006, or, if any such day is not a Business Day, the next following Business Day, (ii) any other date on which the Notes are redeemed or paid before their Stated Maturity, and (iii) the Stated Maturity for the Notes.

“Permitted Offer”: An Offer pursuant to which the offeror offers to acquire a debt obligation (including a Collateral Obligation) in exchange solely for cash in an amount equal to or greater than the full face amount of the debt obligation plus any accrued and unpaid interest and as to which the Portfolio Manager has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the offeror has sufficient access to financing to consummate the Offer.

“Permitted Use”: With regard to Class A-1A Note Borrowings, a Borrowing to (i) acquire additional Collateral Obligations during the Ramp-up Period, (ii) acquire substitute Collateral Obligations during the Reinvestment Period (or after the Reinvestment Period pursuant to commitments to purchase made by the Issuer during the Reinvestment Period) and (iii) fund commitments of the Issuer to obligors under Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans acquired during the Reinvestment Period.

“Person”: An individual, corporation (including a business trust), partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust (including any beneficiary thereof), unincorporated association or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

“PIK Cash-Pay Interest”: As to any PIK Security, the portion of interest required to be paid in cash (and not permitted to be added to the balance of such PIK Security or otherwise deferred and accrued) thereon pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments.

“PIK Security”: Any loan or debt obligation on which any portion of the interest accrued for a specified period of time or until the maturity thereof is, or at the option of the obligor may be, added to the principal balance of such loan or debt obligation or otherwise deferred rather than being paid in cash, provided that such loan or debt obligation shall not be a PIK Security if the related PIK Cash-Pay Interest, if any, would result in the outstanding principal amount of such loan or debt obligation having an effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest at least equal to (i) if such loan or debt obligation is a fixed rate loan or debt obligation, 4.0% per annum, or (ii) if such loan or debt obligation is a floating rate loan or debt obligation, LIBOR.

“Placed Securities”: The Class E Certificates, in each case placed by the Placement Agent pursuant to the Placement Agency Agreement.

“Placement Agency Agreement”: A placement agency agreement dated December 7, 2005 between the Issuer and Citigroup Global Markets Inc. relating to the placement of the Placed Securities, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

“Placement Agent”: Citigroup Global Markets Inc.

“Plan”: Any “employee benefit plan” within the meaning of Section 3(3) of ERISA subject to Title I of ERISA, any “plan” described by Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code subject to Section 4975 of the Code or any entity whose underlying assets include the assets of any plan by reason of U.S. Department of Labor regulation 2510.3-101 or otherwise.

“Pledged Obligations”: As of any date of determination, the Collateral Obligations, the Workout Assets, the Eligible Investments, and any other securities or obligations that have been Granted to the Trustee that form part of the Collateral.

“Portfolio Manager”: Highland Capital Management, L.P., and any successor Portfolio Manager pursuant to the Management Agreement.

“Prepayment”: Any repayment of principal of the Class A-1A Notes pursuant to Section 9.7 prior to the Maturity of such Notes.

“Prepayment Date”: Any date on which a Prepayment occurs.

“Principal Balance”: With respect to:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those specifically covered in this definition, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) any Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in such Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Pledged Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest, zero, except as otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture;
- (iv) any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, except as otherwise provided, zero;
- (v) any Collateral Obligation that has been loaned, its outstanding principal amount reduced by the excess of the amount of collateral required over the actual Market Value of the collateral;
- (vi) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its funded principal amount outstanding plus any Unfunded Amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer’s obligation to fund the Unfunded Amount), except as otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture;
- (vii) any PIK Security and any Collateral Obligation that would be a PIK Security but for the proviso in the definition thereof, its outstanding principal amount but excluding any principal amount representing previously deferred or capitalized interest; and
- (viii) any obligation or security that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, zero.

“Principal Proceeds”: With respect to any Due Period, (i) all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are not Interest Proceeds and (ii) the net proceeds received from any issuance of Additional Class E Certificates.

Principal Proceeds shall include any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account into the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.2.

Principal Proceeds do not include earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

At any time when an “event of default” under a Securities Lending Agreement has occurred and is continuing, any payments received by the Issuer from the related Securities Lending Collateral shall be Principal Proceeds.

For the avoidance of doubt, “Principal Proceeds” shall not include the Class P Collateral or any proceeds thereof.

“Priority Class”: With respect to any specified Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that ranks senior to that Class, as indicated in Section 13.1.

“Priority of Payments”: The meaning specified in Section 11.1(a).

“Proceeding”: Any suit in equity, action at law, or other judicial or administrative proceeding.

“Proposed Portfolio”: As of any Measurement Date, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations and Principal Proceeds held as Cash on deposit in the Collection Account and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account resulting from the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or a proposed reinvestment in a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

“Purchase Agreement”: The agreement dated as of December 7, 2005 among the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchaser relating to the initial purchase of the Notes (other than the Class A-1A Notes and the Class A-1B Notes), the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities, as amended from time to time.

“Purchase Price”: With respect to the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (other than any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation), the net purchase price paid by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation. The net purchase price is determined by subtracting from the purchase price the amount of any Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal and any syndication and other upfront fees paid to the Issuer and by adding the amount of any related transaction costs (including assignment fees) paid by the Issuer to the seller of the Collateral Obligation or its agent.

“Purchase Price Amount”: With respect to any Collateral Obligation on any date of determination, the product of (i) the Purchase Price (stated as a percentage) thereof and (ii) the Principal Balance thereof on such date.

“QIB/QP”: Any person that, at the time of its acquisition of Notes is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser.



“Qualified Equity Security”: Any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that is stock or evidence of an interest in or a right to buy stock, or any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation but whose acquisition otherwise is a transaction in stocks or securities within the meaning of Section 864(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Code and the regulations under the Code. Qualified Equity Securities do not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation and that will cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in or having income from a United States trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes by virtue of its ownership or disposition of the obligation (without regard to the Issuer’s other activities).

“Qualified Institutional Buyer”: The meaning specified in Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

“Qualified Purchaser”: The meaning specified in Section 2(a)(51) of the 1940 Act and the rules thereunder (including entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers).

“Ramp-Up Completion Date”: The earlier of:

- (i) the Business Day prior to March 3, 2006, and
- (ii) the first date on which the following conditions are satisfied:

(x) either (A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least \$900,000,000 or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be (provided that with respect to the Initial Collateral Obligations, the date of purchase shall be the Closing Date)) equals at least \$900,000,000 (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations after the Closing Date and on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date); and

- (y) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$900,000,000.

“Ramp-Up Period”: The period from and including the Closing Date to and including the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

“Rating Agency”: Each of Moody’s and S&P or, with respect to Pledged Obligations generally, if at any time Moody’s or S&P ceases to provide rating services with respect to high yield debt securities, any other nationally recognized statistical rating organization selected by the Issuer and reasonably satisfactory to a Majority of each Class of Notes and, in the case of Moody’s ceasing to provide rating services only, a Majority of each of the Class Q-1 Securities, the Class P-1 Securities and the Class P-2 Securities. If at any time Moody’s ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of Moody’s in this Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and Moody’s published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used. If at any time S&P ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of S&P in this Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and S&P published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used.

**“Rating Condition”**: With respect to any action taken or to be taken under this Indenture, a condition that is satisfied when both Rating Agencies, or, if expressly stated, a specified Rating Agency, has confirmed to the Portfolio Manager (as agent for the Issuer) in writing that no withdrawal, reduction, suspension, or other adverse action with respect to any then current rating by it (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Securities will occur as a result of the action. The Rating Condition with respect to any Rating Agency shall be satisfied for all purposes of this Indenture at any time when no Outstanding Securities are rated by it.

**“Rating Confirmation”**: Confirmation in writing from each Rating Agency that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Securities.

**“Rating Confirmation Failure”**: A failure by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Issuer) to obtain confirmation in writing from S&P and written confirmation from Moody’s that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn its Initial Rating of each Class of rated Securities and that it has not placed any Class of Securities on credit watch with negative implications by the Business Day after the 29<sup>th</sup> day after the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

**“Rating Criteria”**: Criteria that will be satisfied on any date with respect to any Holder of Class A-1A Notes and any Holder of Class A-1B Notes, as applicable, if the short-term debt, deposit or similar obligations of such Holder (or its guarantor) are on such date rated at least “P-1” (but not “P-1” on credit watch for downgrade) by Moody’s and “A-1” by S&P (but not on “A-1” on credit watch for downgrade).

**“Ratings Matrix”**: The “row/column combination” of the table below selected by the Portfolio Manager on the Closing Date to apply initially for purposes of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test. Thereafter, on notice to the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager may select a different row of the Ratings Matrix to apply, or may interpolate between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable, on a straight-line basis and round the results to two decimal points.

<b>Minimum Weighted Average Spread</b>	<b>Minimum Diversity Score</b>						
	<b>50</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>80</b>
<b>2.2%</b>	2070	2100	2130	2160	2190	2220	2250
<b>2.3%</b>	2130	2160	2190	2220	2250	2280	2310
<b>2.4%</b>	2190	2220	2250	2280	2310	2340	2370
<b>2.5%</b>	2250	2280	2310	2340	2370	2400	2430
<b>2.6%</b>	2310	2340	2370	2400	2430	2460	2490
<b>2.7%</b>	2370	2400	2430	2460	2490	2520	2550
<b>2.8%</b>	2430	2460	2490	2520	2550	2580	2610
<b>2.9%</b>	2490	2520	2550	2580	2610	2640	2670
<b>3.0%</b>	2550	2580	2610	2640	2670	2700	2730
<b>Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor</b>							

**“Recovery Rate Modifier”**: As of any Measurement Date, the lesser of 60 and the product of:

(i) (a) the Moody's Weighted Average Recovery Rate minus the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test (but not less than zero) multiplied by (b) 100; and

(ii) 40.

"Record Date": With respect to (a) any Payment Date, the date on which the Holders of Securities entitled to receive a payment on such Payment Date are determined, such date as to any Payment Date being the 15<sup>th</sup> day (whether or not a Business Day) before the applicable Payment Date; (b) any Prepayment Date, the date on which the Holders of the Class A-1A Notes entitled to receive a Prepayment are determined, such date as to any Prepayment Date being the 15<sup>th</sup> day (whether or not a Business Day) prior to the applicable Prepayment Date.

"Redemption Date": Any Payment Date specified for an Optional Redemption of Notes pursuant to Section 9.2.

"Redemption Price": With respect to any Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2 and

(a) any Note (other than any Class A-1A Note to be redeemed pursuant to Section 9.2), an amount equal to:

- (i) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of the Note being redeemed; plus
- (ii) accrued and unpaid interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest); plus
- (iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note; plus
- (iv) in the case of the Class A-1B Notes, any accrued and unpaid Delayed Drawdown Fee; plus
- (v) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

(b) any Class A-1A Note, an amount equal to:

- (i) 100% of the Drawn Amount of such Class A-1A Note to be redeemed, plus
- (ii) accrued and unpaid interest thereon (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest) plus
- (iii) and any accrued and unpaid Commitment Fee Amount, plus
- (iv) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

With respect to any Optional Redemption of the Class E Certificates pursuant to Section 9.2(b), "Redemption Price" means (i) the entire remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications pursuant to the Priority of Payments or (ii) as otherwise specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Class E Certificates, in each case, as specified in Section 9.2(b).

“Reference Obligation”: An obligation that would, if acquired directly by the Issuer, satisfy the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and on which a Synthetic Security is based.

“Reference Obligor”: The obligor of a Reference Obligation.

“Registered”: With respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment, means that it is issued after July 18, 1984 and is in registered form within the meaning of Section 881(c)(2)(B)(i) of the Code and the United States Department of the Treasury (“Treasury”) regulations promulgated thereunder.

“Registered Office”: The registered office of the Issuer, which shall be located outside of the United States.

“Regulation D”: Regulation D under the Securities Act.

“Regulation S”: Regulation S under the Securities Act.

“Regulation S Global Security”: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(b).

“Reinvestment Overcollateralization Ratio”: As of any Measurement Date, the ratio obtained by dividing:

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator by
- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class A-4 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any Deferred Interest, if any, on those Classes of Notes).

“Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test”: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 104.8%.

“Reinvestment Period”: The period from the Closing Date through and including the first to occur of:

- (i) the Payment Date after the date that the Portfolio Manager notifies the Trustee, each Rating Agency, and the Administrator, in the sole discretion of the Portfolio Manager, that, in light of the composition of the Collateral, general market conditions, and other factors, investments in additional Collateral Obligations within the foreseeable future would either be impractical or not beneficial;

- (ii) the Payment Date in November 2012 or, in the case of an Extension, the Extended Reinvestment Period End Date;

- (iii) the Payment Date on which all Notes are to be optionally redeemed or an earlier date after notice of an Optional Redemption chosen by the Portfolio Manager to facilitate the liquidation of the Collateral for the Optional Redemption; and

- (iv) the date on which the Reinvestment Period terminates or is terminated as a result of an Event of Default (subject to Section 5.2(b)).

“Relevant Securities Intermediary”: The Issuer Accounts Securities Intermediary, the Class P-1 Securities Intermediary or the Class P-2 Securities Intermediary, as the context may require.

“Removal Buy-Out Purchaser”: The meaning specified in Section 2.14(e).

“Replacement Hedge”: A replacement hedge agreement that qualifies to be a Hedge Agreement under this Indenture.

“Repository”: The internet-based password protected electronic repository of transaction documents relating to privately offered and sold collateralized debt obligation securities located at “www.cdolibrary.com” operated by The Bond Market Association.

“Required Rating”: The meaning specified in Section 15.2(b).

“Revolver Funding Reserve Amount”: An amount, which cannot be negative, equal to the sum of (a) the Aggregate Unfunded Amount for all Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans minus (b) the Aggregate Undrawn Amount of the Class A-1A Notes; provided, however, for purposes of this definition, the Aggregate Undrawn Amount of Class A-1A Notes used in such calculation shall not include the portion of the Aggregate Undrawn Amount attributable to each Holder of Class A-1A Notes at any time and for so long as and to the extent (x) such Holder does not meet the Rating Criteria and (y) has failed to fund the Undrawn Amount of its Class A-1A Notes when required to do so under the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement.

“Revolving Loan”: A Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation (in each case excluding any Delayed Drawdown Loan) that requires the Issuer to make future advances to (or for the account of) the borrower under its Underlying Instruments (including any letter of credit for which the Issuer is required to reimburse the issuing bank for under it). A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Revolving Loan for so long as its Unfunded Amount is greater than zero.

“Revolving Note Agent”: The meaning specified in the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement.

“Revolving Note Agent Expenses”: Amounts due to the Revolving Note Agent and payable in arrears to the Revolving Note Agent pursuant to the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement (other than the Revolving Note Agent Fee); provided that the Revolving Note Agent Expenses shall be payable on each Payment Date only to the extent that funds are available for such purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

“Revolving Note Agent Fee”: Only during the Draw Period, the quarterly fee accrued and payable to the Revolving Note Agent on each Payment Date pursuant to the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement; provided that the Revolving Note Agent Fee shall be payable on each Payment Date only to the extent that funds are available for such purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

“Revolving Reserve Account”: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(b).

“Rule 144A”: Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

“Rule 144A Global Note”: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(c).

“Rule 144A Information”: The meaning specified in Section 7.14.

“S&P”: Standard & Poor’s Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc.

“S&P CDO Monitor”: A dynamic, analytical computer model developed by S&P, that may be modified by S&P from time to time, and provided to the Portfolio Manager and the Collateral Administrator to be used to calculate the default frequency in terms of the amount of debt assumed to default as a percentage of the original principal amount of the Collateral Obligations consistent with a specified benchmark rating level based on certain assumptions and S&P’s proprietary corporate default studies. For the purpose (and only for the purpose) of applying the S&P CDO Monitor to a portfolio of obligations, for each obligation in the portfolio, the rating of the obligation shall be its S&P Rating.

“S&P CDO Monitor Test”: A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive. The S&P CDO Monitor Test shall be considered to be improved if each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is at least equal to the corresponding Note Class Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio. The S&P CDO Monitor Test is not required to be satisfied or improved upon the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation and the reinvestment of the related Sale Proceeds in additional Collateral Obligations as provided in Section 12.1(a). For purposes of the S&P CDO Monitor Test,

- (i) the S&P Rating of any S&P Unrated DIP Loan shall be “CCC-” and
- (ii) the S&P Industry Classification for a Synthetic Security shall be that of the related Reference Obligation and not the Synthetic Security.

“S&P Industry Classification”: The S&P Industry Classifications in Schedule 3 as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by S&P.

“S&P Priority Category”: Each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of “Applicable Percentage” as an “S&P Priority Category.”

“S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate”: For any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of “Applicable Percentage” opposite the S&P Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

“S&P Rating”: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

“S&P Unrated DIP Loan”: A DIP Loan acquired by the Issuer that does not have a rating assigned by S&P and for which the Portfolio Manager has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P (as specified in the definition of “DIP Loan”).

“S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate”: As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the number obtained by

- (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate,
- (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations, and
- (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

“Sale”: The meaning specified in Section 5.17.

“Sale Proceeds”: All proceeds received (including any proceeds received with respect to any associated interest rate swap or security providing fixed annuity payments) with respect to Collateral Obligations or other Pledged Obligations as a result of their sales or other dispositions less any reasonable expenses expended by the Portfolio Manager or the Trustee in connection with the sales or other dispositions, which shall be paid from such proceeds notwithstanding their characterization otherwise as Administrative Expenses. For the avoidance of doubt, “Sale Proceeds” shall not include the Class P Collateral or any proceeds thereof.

“Schedule of Collateral Obligations”: The Collateral Obligations listed on Schedule 1, which schedule shall include with respect to each listed Collateral Obligation:

- (A) the name of the obligor and a unique Loan or other instrument identifier;
- (B) the purchase price;
- (C) the Principal Balance;
- (D) the classification (including whether the Collateral Obligation is a Loan, a High-Yield Bond, a Synthetic Security, a Participation, a Structured Finance Obligation, a Revolving Loan, or a Delayed Drawdown Loan);
- (E) the funded amount (stated as a percentage) in respect of a Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or a Delayed Drawdown Loan;
- (F) the coupon or spread (as applicable);
- (G) the Stated Maturity;
- (H) the Moody’s Rating;
- (I) the S&P Rating; and
- (J) the CUSIP and any ISIN, if applicable,

as the schedule may be amended from time to time to reflect the release of Collateral Obligations pursuant to Article 10 and the inclusion of Collateral Obligations as provided in Section 12.2.

“Second Lien Loan”: A Secured Loan (other than a Senior Secured Loan) that has a junior contractual claim only to a Senior Secured Loan on tangible property (which property is subject to a prior lien (other than customary permitted liens, as such, but not limited to, any tax liens)) to secure payment of a debt or the fulfillment of a contractual obligation.

“Secondary Risk Counterparty”: Any obligor Domiciled other than in the United States, any Participating Institution, any Synthetic Security Counterparty and any Securities Lending Counterparty.

“Secondary Risk Table”: The table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty		Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
Moody's	S&P		
Aaa	AAA	20.0%	20.0%
Aa1	AA+	10.0%	10.0%
Aa2	AA	10.0%	10.0%
Aa3	AA-	10.0%	10.0%
A1	A+	5.0%	10.0%
A2 or below	A or below	0.0%	0.0%

If any Secondary Risk Counterparty's long-term senior unsecured debt rating or short-term rating is on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P, then for the purposes of the table above, its rating by the Rating Agency putting its rating on credit watch shall be one rating notch lower for that Rating Agency.

"Section 3(c)(7)": Section 3(c)(7) of the 1940 Act.

"Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice": A notice from the Issuer to the Noteholders (to be delivered in accordance with Sections 10.6(a) and (b)) substantially in the form of Exhibit H-1.

"Secured Loan": A Loan that (i) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

"Secured Parties": The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

"Securities": Collectively, The Notes, Class Q-1 Securities, Class P Securities and the Class E Certificates.

"Securities Act": The United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

"Securities Intermediary": Any clearing corporation or any person, including a bank or broker, that in the ordinary course of its business maintains securities accounts for others and is acting in that capacity.

"Securities Lending Account": The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(f).

"Securities Lending Agreements": The meaning specified in Section 7.17(a).

"Securities Lending Collateral": The meaning specified in Section 7.17(b).

"Securities Lending Counterparty": The meaning specified in Section 7.17(a).

"Security Entitlement": The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(17) of the UCC.

"Selected Collateral Quality Tests": The Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted



Average Life Test (after taking into consideration any applicable Maturity Extension), the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the Diversity Test.

“Senior Management Fee”: A fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Portfolio Manager in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.30% per annum of the Maximum Investment Amount as of the first day of the related Due Period if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Senior Management Fee shall be calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed divided by 360.

“Senior Secured Loan”: A Secured Loan that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a first priority security interest in collateral and with respect to which the Portfolio Manager determines that the value of the collateral securing such Secured Loan equal or exceeds the outstanding principal balance of the loan plus the aggregate outstanding balances of all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by the same collateral.

“Senior Unsecured Loan”: A Loan that (i) is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) is not secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

“Share Trustee”: Walkers SPV Limited.

“Special Redemption”: The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

“Special Redemption Amount”: The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

“Special Redemption Date”: The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

“Spread Excess”: As of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose:

(i) numerator is the product of:

(A) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date over the Minimum Weighted Average Spread specified in the applicable row of the Ratings Matrix, and

(B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date, and

(ii) denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Spread Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Fixed Rate Excess were equal to zero.

“Stated Maturity”: With respect to any Collateral Obligation, the maturity date specified in it or the applicable Underlying Instrument (or, if earlier, the first date on which any person may be required by the Issuer to repurchase the entire principal amount of the Collateral Obligation at or above par) and with respect to the Notes of any Class, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities, the Payment Date in November 2017, or upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated

Maturity Date. Unless otherwise specified, “Stated Maturity” means the Stated Maturity of the Notes, Class Q-1 Securities and Class P Securities.

“Structured Finance Obligation”: Any obligation (other than the Notes or any other security or obligation issued by the Issuer):

(i) secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool of receivables or other assets of U.S. obligors, or obligors organized or incorporated in Moody’s Group I Countries, Moody’s Group II Countries or Moody’s Group III Countries, including portfolio credit default swaps and collateralized debt obligations, but excludes:

- (A) residential mortgage-backed securities;
- (B) collateralized debt obligations backed by Emerging Market Securities;
- (C) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by asset-backed securities;
- (D) market value collateralized debt obligations;
- (E) securities backed by “future flow” receivables;
- (F) securities backed by “trust preferred securities;”
- (G) net interest margin securitizations;
- (H) collateralized debt obligations backed by other collateralized debt obligations;
- (I) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by one or more credit default swaps (i.e. “synthetic CDOs”); and
- (J) collateralized debt obligations a significant portion of which are backed by bonds;

(ii) that has an S&P Rating and an S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate;

(iii) that has a rating and a Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate assigned by Moody’s; and

(iv) whose ownership or disposition (without regard to the Issuer’s other activities) by the Issuer will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

In connection with the purchase of a Structured Finance Obligation, the Portfolio Manager shall obtain from Moody’s the applicable Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate.

For purposes of the Diversity Test, multiple Structured Finance Obligations from CDOs managed by the same Portfolio Manager or multiple Structured Finance Obligations issued by the same master trust will be considered to be obligations of one issuer.

“Subordinated Lien Loan”: A Secured Loan (other than a Second Lien Loan) secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

“Subordinated Management Fee”: An amount equal to the sum of (i) a fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Portfolio Manager in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.25% per annum of the Maximum Investment Amount as of the first day of the related Due Period if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments, (ii) on any Payment Date that any part of the Senior Management Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period plus 3.00% per annum and (iii) on any Payment Date that any part of the Subordinated Management Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period plus 3.00% per annum. The portion of the Subordinated Management Fee or Senior Management Fee, as applicable, in clauses (i) through (iii) above, as applicable, shall be calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed divided by 360.

“Successor Entity”: The meaning specified in Section 7.10(a).

“Super Majority”: With respect to any Class or group of Securities (other than the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities), the Holders of more than 66 $\frac{2}{3}$ % of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Securities. Holders of Class Q-1 Securities shall be included in the determination of a Super Majority of Holders of Class C Notes as if they were Holders of the Class C Notes in the Aggregate Outstanding Amount represented by the Class Q-1 Note Component and in the determination of a Super Majority of Holders of the Class E Certificates as if they were Holders of the number of Class E Certificates represented by the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component. Holders of the Class P-1 Securities and the Class P-2 Securities shall be included in the determination of a Super Majority of Holders of the Class E Certificates as if they were Holders of the number of Class E Certificates represented by the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component or the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component, as applicable. With respect to the Class Q-1 Securities as such, the Holders of more than 66-2/3% of the stated amount thereof. With respect to the Class P-1 Securities as such, the Holders of more than 66-2/3% of the stated amount thereof and with respect to the Class P-2 Securities as such, the Holders of more than 66-2/3% of the stated amount thereof.

“Synthetic Security”: Any swap transaction, structured bond investment, credit linked note, or other derivative financial instrument relating to a debt instrument (but excluding any such instrument relating directly to a basket or portfolio of debt instruments) or an index or indices (such as the “SAMI” index published by Credit Suisse First Boston) in connection with a basket or portfolio of debt instruments or other similar instruments entered into by the Issuer with a Synthetic Security Counterparty that has in the Portfolio Manager’s commercially reasonable judgment, equivalent expected loss characteristics (those characteristics, “credit risk”) to those of the related Reference Obligations (taking account of those considerations as they relate to the Synthetic Security Counterparty), if (i) it is either a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied, and (ii) the Reference Obligations thereof have a weighted average Market Value of at least 85% at the time the Synthetic Security is entered into.

The maturity, interest rate, and other non-credit characteristics of a Synthetic Security may be different from the Reference Obligations to which the credit risk of the Synthetic Security relates.

No Synthetic Security shall require the Issuer to make any payment to the Synthetic Security Counterparty after its initial purchase other than any payments represented by the release of any cash collateral posted by the Issuer from the Collection Account to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account simultaneously with the Issuer’s purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount

not exceeding the amount of the posted cash collateral. Collateral may be posted only to a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account. No Synthetic Security shall result in the Issuer being a “buyer” of credit protection.

The term Synthetic Security shall not include any Structured Finance Obligation or any Participation, but the Reference Obligation of a Synthetic Security may be a Structured Finance Obligation.

Each Synthetic Security Agreement shall (i) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those contained in this Indenture and (ii) include provisions satisfying Section 15.3 of this Indenture.

The ownership or disposition of any Synthetic Security (without regard to the Issuer’s other activities) must not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

Any “deliverable obligation” that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any “credit event” under any proposed Synthetic Security must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such “deliverable obligation” is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any “credit event”) as a Collateral Obligation (except that such “deliverable obligation” may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a “credit event) and, unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, (i) must not provide that its transfer to the Issuer is subject to obtaining any consents, (ii) after giving effect to the delivery thereof would not cause the Concentration Limitations not to be satisfied and (iii) if the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security is a Senior Secured Loan then the “deliverable obligation” under the Synthetic Security must also be a Senior Secured Loan..

Synthetic Securities that are credit default swaps, credit linked notes, or other similar instruments may not provide for “restructuring” as a “credit event”.

For purposes of the Coverage Tests and the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test, unless the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied in respect of any proposed alternative treatment, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligation.

With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, for purposes of: (i) calculating compliance with the Diversity Test, the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test, and the Concentration Limitations (other than limits relating to payment characteristics and except for clauses 20 and 20(a) of the definition of “Concentration Limitations”), and all related definitions, and (ii) any other provision or definition of this Indenture involving a determination with respect to a Reference Obligation, the characteristics of such Reference Obligations shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct investment by the Issuer in each such Reference Obligation in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation. In addition, each Reference Obligation under such Synthetic Security shall be assigned a Moody’s Rating Factor equal to the sum of the Moody’s Rating Factor of (i) the related Reference Obligor, (ii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty of such Synthetic Security and (iii) the Synthetic Security Collateral of such Synthetic Security. In addition, the Moody’s Priority Category Rate in respect of a Synthetic Security referencing multiple Reference Obligations pursuant to this paragraph shall be the Moody’s Priority Category Rate as assigned by Moody’s to each Reference Obligation underlying such Synthetic Security. For the avoidance of doubt, Reference Obligations upon which a Synthetic Security is based as described in this paragraph must meet the definition of “Collateral Obligation” to the extent provided in this definition.

Any Synthetic Security shall be positively indexed to the Reference Obligation on no more than a one-for-one basis (i.e. unleveraged credit exposure).

If the Rating Condition must be satisfied to execute the purchase of any Synthetic Security, the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, shall give each applicable Rating Agency not less than 5 days’ prior notice of the purchase of or entry into any Synthetic Security.

“Synthetic Security Agreement”: The documentation governing any Synthetic Security.

“Synthetic Security Collateral”: With respect to any Synthetic Security, amounts posted to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account by the Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its obligations under the Synthetic Security, including (i) all Eligible Investments or (ii) investments that satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to Moody’s, in each case that mature no later than the Stated Maturity, in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account that are purchased with Synthetic Security Collateral; provided that Synthetic Security Collateral may not include any investment the acquisition (including the manner of acquisition), ownership, enforcement or disposition of which will subject the Issuer to net income tax in any jurisdiction outside its jurisdiction of incorporation.

“Synthetic Security Collateral Account”: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(e).

“Synthetic Security Counterparty”: An entity (other than the Issuer) required to make payments on a Synthetic Security (including any guarantor) to the extent that a Reference Obligor makes payments on a related Reference Obligation and meeting the Synthetic Security Counterparty Ratings Requirement.

“Synthetic Security Counterparty Account”: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.5.

“Synthetic Security Counterparty Ratings Requirement”: With respect to the Synthetic Security Counterparty and in respect of a Synthetic Security, a requirement that is satisfied if, at the time the Issuer enters into such Synthetic Security Agreement, the related Synthetic Security Counterparty has a senior unsecured credit rating assigned by S&P for short-term debt of at least “A-1+” or a senior unsecured credit rating assigned by S&P for long-term debt of at least “AA-”.

“Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction”: One of the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the Netherlands Antilles or the tax advantaged jurisdiction of the Channel Islands, or such other jurisdiction with respect to which the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied.

“Tax Affected Security”: Any asset received or otherwise acquired by the Issuer (including, without limitation, an Equity Security, Defaulted Collateral Obligation, ETB/897 Asset and Workout Asset) that will cause the Issuer to be deemed to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

“Tax Event”: An event that occurs if either:

(i) (A) one or more Collateral Obligations that were not subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them have become subject to withholding tax (“New Withholding Tax Obligations”) or the rate of withholding has increased on one or more Collateral Obligations that were subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them (“Increased Rate Withholding Tax Obligations”) and (B) in any Due Period, the aggregate of the payments subject to withholding tax on New Withholding Tax Obligations and the increase in payments subject to withholding tax on Increased Rate Withholding Tax Obligations, in each case to the extent not “grossed-up” (on an after-tax basis) by the related obligor, represent 5% or more of Interest Proceeds for the Due Period; or

(ii) taxes, fees, assessments, or other similar charges are imposed on the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in an aggregate amount in any twelve-month period in excess of U.S.\$2,000,000, other than any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax with respect to any payment owing in respect of any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation or Collateral Obligation.

“Temporary Regulation S Global Security”: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(b).

“Transaction Reports”: The meaning specified in Section 14.4(f).

“Transfer Agent”: The person or persons, which may be the Issuer, authorized by the Issuer to exchange or register the transfer of Notes.

“Treasury Regulations”: The regulations, including proposed or temporary regulations, promulgated under the Code. References herein to specific provisions of proposed or temporary regulations shall include analogous provisions of final Treasury Regulations or other successor Treasury Regulations.

“Trust Officer”: When used with respect to the Trustee, any officer in the Corporate Trust Office (or any successor group of the Trustee) including any director, vice president, assistant vice president, associate, or any other officer of the Trustee customarily performing functions similar to those performed by such officers in the Corporate Trust Office, or to whom any corporate trust matter is referred at the Corporate Trust Office because of his knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject and having direct responsibility for the administration of this Indenture.

“Trustee”: As defined in the first sentence of this Indenture.

“UCC”: The Uniform Commercial Code as in effect from time to time in the State of New York.

“Uncertificated Security”: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(18) of the UCC.

“Underlying Instrument”: The loan agreement, indenture, credit agreement, or other agreement pursuant to which a Pledged Obligation has been issued or created and each other agreement that governs the terms of or secures the obligations represented by the Pledged Obligation or of which the holders of the Pledged Obligation are the beneficiaries.

“Undrawn Amount”: At any time (i) with respect to any Class A-1A Note the excess, if any, of (x) the Commitment relating to such Class A-1A Note over (y) the Drawn Amount under such Class A-1A Note; *provided* that any funds deposited with the Trustee in the Class A-1A Funding Account as a result of the failure of a Holder of such Class A-1A Note to satisfy the Rating Criteria during the Draw Period pursuant to Section 2.12(c) and any subsequent Prepayments in respect of such Holder’s Class A-1A Note placed pursuant to the Indenture in a separate subaccount of that reserve account relating to such Holder will for all purposes be part of the Undrawn Amount of such Class A-1A Note and such Holder will be entitled to receive the applicable Commitment Fee thereon, and (ii) with respect to any Class A-1B Note, the excess, if any, of (x) the applicable portion of the Fully Drawn Amount relating to such Class A-1B Note over (y) the Drawn Amount under such Class A-1B Note; *provided* that any funds deposited with the Trustee in the Class A-1B Funding Account as a result of the failure of a Holder of a Class A-1B Note to satisfy the Rating Criteria during the Delayed Drawdown Period pursuant to Section 2.13(c) will for all purposes be part of the Undrawn Amount of such Class A-1B Note and such Holder will be entitled to receive the applicable Delayed Drawdown Fee thereon.

“Unfunded Amount”: At any time, with respect to any Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan, the excess, if any, of (i) the amount of the commitment with respect to such obligation over (ii) the funded principal amount outstanding on such obligation.

“Unregistered Securities”: The meaning specified in Section 5.17(c).

“Unscheduled Principal Payments”: Any principal payments received with respect to a Collateral Obligation as a result of optional redemptions, exchange offers, tender offers, other payments or prepayments made at the option of the issuer thereof or that are otherwise not scheduled to be made thereunder.

“U.S. Person”: A Beneficial Owner of a Note that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a citizen or individual resident of the United States of America, an entity treated for United States federal income tax purposes as a corporation or a partnership created or organized in or under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof or the District of Columbia, an estate the income of which is includable in gross income for U.S. federal income tax purposes regardless of its source, or a trust if, in general, a court within the United States of America is able to exercise primary supervision over its administration and one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of such trust, and certain eligible trusts that have elected to be treated as United States persons.

“Valuation Report”: The meaning specified in Section 10.6(b).

“Warehouse Agreement”: The Asset Acquisition Agreement and Master Participation Agreement, dated as of August 1, 2005, among Citigroup Financial Products Inc., as the Warehouse Provider, the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager, as amended.

“Warehoused Loans”: Loans acquired by the Issuer before the Closing Date pursuant to the Warehouse Agreement.

“Weighted Average Commitment Fee”: As of any Measurement Date, an amount (rounded up to the next 0.001%) equal to the weighted average commitment fee on all Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans determined by dividing (i) the aggregate of all scheduled amounts (other than interest) of commitment fees or facility fees payable on the Aggregate Unfunded Amount of all Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans held by the Issuer as of such Measurement Date by (ii) the Aggregate Unfunded Amount of all Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans held by the Issuer as of such Measurement Date; provided that if such quotient is less than the Minimum Weighted Average Commitment Fee for such Measurement Date, there shall be added to the amount set forth in clause (i) above an amount equal to the Spread Excess, if any, as of such Measurement Date (less any portion of the Spread Excess that has been added to the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon as of such Measurement Date pursuant to clause (iv) of the definition of “Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon”), and the Weighted Average Commitment Fee as of such Measurement Date shall be the amount calculated after giving effect to such addition.

“Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon”: As of any Measurement Date, the rate obtained by

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Fixed Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum rate at which it pays interest (which (x) for PIK Securities for which interest has been deferred or capitalized, will be deemed to be zero and (y) for Collateral Obligations that would be PIK Securities but for the proviso in the definition thereof, will be deemed to be equal to the effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest), using only the effective after-tax interest rate determined by the Portfolio Manager on any Fixed Rate Obligation after taking into account any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction and any gross-up paid by the obligor),

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i),

(iii) dividing the sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations that are Fixed Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date, and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, adding to the sum the amount of any Spread Excess as of the Measurement Date, but only to the extent required to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test.

“Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test”: A test that is satisfied if, as of any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 7.5%.

“Weighted Average Life”: As of any Measurement Date, the number obtained by

(i) summing the products obtained by multiplying

(A) the Average Life at that time of each Collateral Obligation by



(B) the Principal Balance at that time of the Collateral Obligation and

(ii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance at that time of all Collateral Obligations.

“Weighted Average Life Test”: A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and the Payment Date in May 2015 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date.

“Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor”: The summation of the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation (excluding Eligible Investments) by its respective Moody’s Rating Factor, dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) and rounding the result up to the nearest whole number.

“Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test”: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody’s Weighted Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 44.75%.

“Weighted Average Rating Factor Test”: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of such Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor.

“Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test”: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 51.5%.

“Weighted Average Spread”: As of any Measurement Date, a rate obtained by:

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Floating Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum contract spread at which it pays interest (which (x) for PIK Securities for which interest has been deferred or capitalized, will be deemed to be zero and (y) for Collateral Obligations that would be PIK Securities but for the proviso in the definition thereof, will be deemed to be equal to the effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest), determined with respect to any Floating Rate Obligation that does not bear interest based on a London interbank offered rate, by expressing the current interest rate on the Floating Rate Obligation as a spread above a three month London interbank offered rate calculated in a manner consistent with the calculation of LIBOR;

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);

(iii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to pass the Weighted Average Spread Test, adding to that sum the amount of Fixed Rate Excess as of the Measurement Date.

For purposes of calculating the Weighted Average Spread, the Principal Balance of each Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall not include any of its Unfunded Amount.

“Weighted Average Spread Test”: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if (i) the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread and (ii) the Weighted Average Commitment Fee as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Commitment Fee.

“Workout Assets”: A Loan, High-Yield Bond, or Qualified Equity Security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation that the Issuer does not advance any funds to purchase and that does not qualify as a Collateral Obligation.

“Written-Down Obligation”: As of any date of determination, any Structured Finance Obligation as to which the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, has been notified by the issuer of the Structured Finance Obligation that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Structured Finance Obligation and all other Structured Finance Obligations secured by the same pool of collateral that rank pari passu with or senior in priority of payment to the Structured Finance Obligation exceeds the aggregate principal balance (including reserved interest or other amounts available for overcollateralization) of all collateral securing the Structured Finance Obligation and such other pari passu and senior Structured Finance Obligations (excluding defaulted collateral).

“Zero-Coupon Security”: A security that, at the time of determination, does not make periodic payments of interest. A Zero-Coupon Security shall not include a security that is a PIK Security.

Section 1.2. Assumptions as to Pledged Obligations; Construction Conventions.

This Section 1.2 shall be applied in connection with all calculations required to be made pursuant to this Indenture:

- with respect to the scheduled payment of principal or interest on any assets included in the Collateral or the Class P Collateral,
- with respect to the sale of and reinvestment in Collateral Obligations,
- with respect to the income that can be earned on the scheduled payment of principal or interest on the Pledged Obligations and on any other amounts that may be received for deposit in the Collection Account, and
- with respect to the treatment of Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement.

The provisions of this Section 1.2 shall be applicable to any determination or calculation that is covered by this Section 1.2, whether or not reference is specifically made to Section 1.2, unless some other method of calculation or determination is expressly specified in the particular provision.

(a) All calculations with respect to the scheduled payment of principal or interest on any assets shall be made on the basis of information as to the terms of each asset and on reports of payments received on the asset that are furnished by or on behalf of the issuer of the asset and, to the extent they are not manifestly in error, the information or report may be conclusively relied on in making the calculations.

(b) For each Due Period and as of any Measurement Date, the scheduled payment of principal or interest on any Pledged Obligation shall be the sum of

(i) the total amount of payments and collections reasonably expected to be received during the Due Period in respect of the Pledged Obligation that, if paid as scheduled, will be available for payment on the Notes and of certain expenses of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer in the Collection Account at the end of the Due Period; and

(ii) any such amounts received in prior Due Periods that were not disbursed on a previous Payment Date.

Except as provided in paragraph (h) below, a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation shall be assumed to have a scheduled payment of principal and interest of zero.

The total amount of payments and collections reasonably expected to be received includes the proceeds of the sale of the Pledged Obligation received and, in the case of sales which have not yet settled, to be received during the Due Period and not reinvested in additional Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty, Securities Lending Counterparty, or Hedge Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security, Securities Lending Agreement, or Hedge Agreement) or Eligible Investments or retained in the Collection Account for subsequent reinvestment pursuant to Section 12.2.

(c) For purposes of the applicable determinations required by Article 12 and the definition of "Interest Coverage Ratio," the expected interest on Collateral Obligations shall be calculated using their then current interest rates.

(d) With respect to any Collateral Obligation, the date on which it "matures" (or its "maturity" date) shall be the earlier of

(i) the stated maturity of the obligation or

(ii) if the Issuer has the right to require the issuer or obligor of the Collateral Obligation to purchase, redeem, or retire the Collateral Obligation at a price of at least par on any one or more dates before its Stated Maturity (a "put right") and the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that it will cause the Issuer to direct the Trustee to exercise the put right on a date, the maturity date shall be the date specified in the certification.

(e) For purposes of calculating compliance with the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), the Coverage Tests, and the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the Reference Obligation. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limits other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligations.

(f) Any Collateral Obligation loaned to a Securities Lending Counterparty shall be included in the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests, and the Reinvestment Overcollateralization

Test and the Principal Balance of any Collateral Obligation loaned to a Securities Lending Counterparty shall be included in the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations, in each case unless an “event of default” (under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing.

(g) If a Class of Notes (treating the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class A-4 Notes as one Class for this purpose) ceases to be Outstanding, then any Coverage Test computed by reference to the Class of Notes (but not to any subordinate Class of Notes then Outstanding) shall cease to be of any force.

(h) For purposes of calculating compliance with the Eligibility Criteria (other than the Weighted Average Life Test), at the direction of the Portfolio Manager by notice to the Trustee, during the Reinvestment Period any Eligible Investment purchased with Principal Proceeds received upon the maturity, redemption, sale, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation (or, after the Reinvestment Period, with Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations) shall be deemed to have the characteristics of the disposed Collateral Obligation until reinvested in an additional Collateral Obligation. The calculations shall be based on the Principal Balance of the disposed Collateral Obligations except in the case of Defaulted Collateral Obligations and Credit Risk Securities, in which case the calculations will be based on the Principal Proceeds received on the disposition or sale of the Defaulted Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation.

### Section 1.3. Rules of Interpretation.

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture or unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

(a) Defined terms include, as appropriate, all genders and the plural as well as the singular.

(b) References to designated articles, sections, subsections, exhibits, and other subdivisions of this Indenture, such as “Section 6.12 (a),” refer to the designated article, section, subsection, exhibit, or other subdivision of this Indenture as a whole and to all subdivisions of the designated article, section, subsection, exhibit, or other subdivision. The words “herein,” “hereof,” “hereto,” “hereunder,” and other words of similar import refer to this Indenture as a whole and not to any particular article, section, exhibit, or other subdivision of this Indenture.

(c) Any term that relates to a document or a statute, rule, or regulation includes any amendments, modifications, supplements, or any other changes that may have occurred since the document, statute, rule, or regulation came into being, including changes that occur after the date of this Indenture. References to law are not limited to statutes. Any reference to any person includes references to its successors and assigns.

(d) Any party may execute any of the requirements under this Indenture either directly or through others, and the right to cause something to be done rather than doing it directly shall be implicit in every requirement under this Indenture. Unless a provision is restricted as to time or limited as to frequency, all provisions under this Indenture are implicitly available and things may happen from time to time.

(e) The term “including” and all its variations mean “including but not limited to.” Except when used in conjunction with the word “either,” the word “or” is always used inclusively (for example, the phrase “A or B” means “A or B or both,” not “either A or B but not both”).

(f) A reference to “a thing” or “any of a thing” does not imply the existence or occurrence of the thing referred to even though not followed by “if any,” and “any of a thing” is any and all of it. A reference to the plural of anything as to which there could be either one or more than one does not imply the existence of more than one (for instance, the phrase “the obligors on a note” means “the obligor or obligors on a note”). “Until something occurs” does not imply that it must occur, and will not be modified by the word “unless.” The word “due” and the word “payable” are each used in the sense that the stated time for payment has passed. The word “accrued” is used in its accounting sense, i.e., an amount paid is no longer accrued. In the calculation of amounts of things, differences and sums may generally result in negative numbers, but when the calculation of the excess of one thing over another results in zero or a negative number, the calculation is disregarded and an “excess” does not exist. Portions of things may be expressed as fractions or percentages interchangeably. The word “shall” is used in its imperative sense, as for instance meaning a party agrees to something or something must occur or exist.

(g) All accounting terms used in an accounting context and not otherwise defined, and accounting terms partly defined in this Indenture, to the extent not completely defined, shall be construed in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. To the extent that the definitions of accounting terms in this Indenture are inconsistent with their meanings under generally accepted accounting principles, the definitions contained in this Indenture shall control.

(h) In the computation of a period of time from a specified date to a later specified date or an open-ended period, the words “from” and “beginning” mean “from and including,” the word “after” means “from but excluding,” the words “to” and “until” mean “to but excluding,” and the word “through” means “to and including.” Likewise, in setting deadlines or other periods, “by” means “on or before.” The words “preceding,” “following,” “before,” “after,” “next,” and words of similar import, mean immediately preceding or following. References to a month or a year refer to calendar months and calendar years.

(i) Any reference to the enforceability of any agreement against a party means that it is enforceable against the party in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, and other similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors’ rights and to general equity principles.

(j) Except when only the registered holder is recognized, such as in Section 2.9., references to Noteholders, holders, and the like refer equally to Beneficial Owners who have an interest in a Note but are not reflected in the Indenture Register as the owner.

(k) Unless otherwise indicated, all references in this Indenture to (A) the Class C Notes shall include the Class Q-1 Note Component, and (B) the Class E Certificates shall include the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component, the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component and the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component.

## ARTICLE 2

### THE NOTES

#### Section 2.1. Forms Generally.

The Indenture Securities and the Trustee’s or Authenticating Agent’s certificate of authentication on them (the “Certificate of Authentication”) shall be in substantially the forms required by this Article, with appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions, and other variations required or

permitted by this Indenture, and may have any letters, numbers, or other marks of identification and any legends or endorsements on them that are consistent with this Indenture, as determined by the Authorized Officers of the Issuer executing the Indenture Securities, as applicable, as evidenced by their execution of the Indenture Securities.

Section 2.2. Forms of Indenture Securities and Certificate of Authentication.

(a) The Indenture Securities, including the Temporary Regulation S Global Securities, the Regulation S Global Securities, Rule 144A Global Notes, Certificated Class A-1A Notes, Certificated Class A-1B Notes, Certificated Class Q-1 Securities, Certificated Class P-1 Securities and Certificated Class P-2 Securities and the Certificate of Authentication shall be in the forms of the applicable portion of Exhibit A.

(b) Temporary Regulation S Global Securities and Regulation S Global Securities. The Notes (other than the Class A-1A Notes and the Class A-1B Notes), the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities initially sold to non-U.S. persons in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S shall each be initially represented by one or more temporary global securities in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of Exhibit A1-N, Exhibit A1-Q and Exhibit A1-P, as applicable, including legends (the “Temporary Regulation S Global Security”). On or after the first Business Day following the 40<sup>th</sup> day after the later of the Closing Date and the commencement of the offering of the Notes (the “Exchange Date”), interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security will be exchangeable for interests in one or more permanent global notes of the same Class in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of Exhibit A2-N, Exhibit A2-Q and Exhibit A2-P, as applicable, including legends (each a “Regulation S Global Security”), upon certification that the beneficial interests in such Temporary Regulation S Global Security are owned by persons that are not U.S. persons. The Temporary Regulation S Global Securities and Regulation S Global Securities shall be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for the Indenture Securities represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, the Depositary for credit to Depositary participants that hold such positions on behalf of Euroclear and Clearstream, for further credit to the respective accounts of Euroclear and Clearstream, duly executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided. The aggregate principal amount of the Regulation S Global Securities may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee or the Depositary, as the case may be, as hereinafter provided. As used above and in subsection (c) below, “U.S. person” and “offshore transaction” have the meanings assigned to them in Regulation S.

(c) Rule 144A Global Notes. The Notes of each Class (other than the Class A-1A Notes and the Class A-1B Notes) initially sold to U.S. persons that are QIB/QPs shall each be issued initially in the form of one or more permanent global notes per Class in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of Exhibit A3, including legends (each, a “Rule 144A Global Note”), which shall be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for the Notes represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, the Depositary, duly executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided. The aggregate principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Notes may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee or the Depositary, as the case may be, as hereinafter provided.

(d) (i) Class A-1A Notes and Class A-1B Notes shall be issued in the form of one or more Certificated Class A-1A Notes or Certificated Class A-1B Notes, as applicable, in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of Exhibit A4-A1A or Exhibit A4-A1B, as applicable, (each, a “Certificated Class A-1A Note” or “Certificated Class A-1B Note”, as applicable,

and collectively, the “Certificated Class A-1 Notes”), which shall be registered in the name of the beneficial owner or a nominee thereof, duly executed by the Issuer and the Co-Issuer and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided.

(ii) Class Q-1 Securities initially sold to U.S. persons shall each be issued initially in the form of one or more Certificated Class Q-1 Securities in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of Exhibit A4-Q (each, a “Certificated Class Q-1 Security”), which shall be registered in the name of the beneficial owner or a nominee thereof, duly executed by the Issuer and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided.

(iii) Class P-1 Securities and Class P-2 Securities initially sold to U.S. persons shall each be issued in the form of one or more Certificated Class P-1 Securities or Certificated Class P-2 Securities, as applicable, in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of Exhibit A4-P (each, a “Certificated Class P-1 Security” or “Certificated Class P-2 Security”, as applicable, and collectively, the “Certificated Class P Securities”), which shall be registered in the name of the beneficial owner or a nominee thereof, duly executed by the Issuer and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided.

(e) Book-Entry Provisions. This Section 2.2(e) shall apply only to Global Securities deposited with or on behalf of the Depositary. The provisions of the “Operating Procedures of the Euroclear System” of Euroclear and the “Terms and Conditions Governing Use of Participants” of Clearstream, respectively, shall be applicable to the Temporary Regulation S Global Securities and Regulation S Global Securities insofar as interests in the Global Securities are held by the Agent Members of Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be.

Agent Members shall have no rights under this Indenture with respect to any Global Security held on their behalf by the Trustee, as custodian for the Depositary and the Depositary may be treated by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, and any agent of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee as the absolute owner of such Indenture Security for all purposes whatsoever. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing in this Indenture shall prevent the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, or any agent of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee, from giving effect to any written certification, proxy, or other authorization furnished by the Depositary or impair, as between the Depositary and its Agent Members, the operation of customary practices governing the exercise of the rights of a Holder of any Indenture Security.

(f) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in paragraphs (b) and (c) above, if (i) the Depositary notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for a Global Security or ceases to be a “Clearing Agency” registered under the Exchange Act and a successor depository is not appointed by the Issuer within 90 days of such notice, (ii) as a result of any amendment to or change in, the laws or regulations of the Cayman Islands or of any authority therein or thereof having power to tax or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations which become effective on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer or the Paying Agent becomes aware that it is or will be required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Securities which would not be required if the Global Securities were in definitive form or (iii) an Event of Default under this Indenture has occurred and is continuing and has not been waived; the Trustee shall execute an agreement with the Issuers amending this Indenture pursuant to Section 8.1 for the purpose of terminating the book entry deposit system and substituting definitive Securities for the Global Securities. Such agreement shall provide for the form and terms of such definitive Securities and the place and manner in which a Securityholder may obtain possession of such definitive Securities; *provided*, that in no event may holders of beneficial interests in the Temporary Regulation S Global Securities receive definitive Securities pursuant to this provision prior to the Exchange Date and each such holder must certify to the Issuers and the Trustee that it is not a U.S. Person. Such agreement shall also provide the procedures for

registration of transfer or exchange of such definitive Securities, as well as such other provisions as the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Trustee may agree shall be necessary or appropriate to effect the substitution of definitive Securities for Global Securities and to modify the provisions of this Indenture to provide for the use of definitive Securities in lieu of a book-entry deposit system.

(g) Upon the occurrence of any of the events described in paragraph (f) above, the Trustee shall notify all Holders of the Global Securities and shall advise such Holders of the Global Securities of the procedure by which the Global Securities shall be exchanged for definitive Securities. Each beneficial owner of Global Securities shall be entitled, at no cost to it, to have registered in the name of the beneficial owner of Global Securities one or more definitive Securities representing the same aggregate principal amount of Securities of the relevant Class as its beneficial interest in the related Global Security. Upon the occurrence of any such event, (i) the Trustee at the expense of the Issuer shall obtain from the Depository a listing of the Participants then holding Book-Entry Securities on the records of the Depository and (ii) upon surrender by the Depository to the Trustee of the Global Securities for each Class, the Trustee shall cancel such Global Securities and the Issuers shall execute and deliver to such Participants definitive Securities representing in the aggregate the identical Aggregate Outstanding Amount (or stated amount, as applicable) of beneficial interests in the Global Securities held by such Participants on the records of the Depository, registered in such names as such Participants shall have provided to the Trustee; *provided, however*, that the Trustee shall not register any such definitive Security or deliver any such definitive Security to a Participant unless and until such Participant shall have provided to the Trustee a certification acceptable to the Trustee that such registration instructions were given, and delivery of such definitive Security will be made, in accordance with the directions of the beneficial owners of Securities represented by such Participant. Neither the Issuers nor the Trustee shall be liable for any delay in delivery of such registration instructions by any Participant and each of them may conclusively rely on, and shall be protected in relying on, (i) information contained in the Participant listing provided by the Depository regarding the names of the Participants holding beneficial interests in the Global Securities and the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Securities represented by the beneficial interests in the Global Securities held by each such Participant, and (ii) the foregoing registration instructions and certifications provided by each such Participant with respect to definitive Securities representing the same Aggregate Outstanding Amounts of definitive Securities as the beneficial interests in the Global Securities stated to be held by such Participant in such Participant listing. If definitive Securities are issued in replacement of Notes listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Issuer will publish in the Republic of Ireland thereafter information explaining the payment, transfer and exchange procedures for the definitive Securities. The Trustee shall recognize the registered holders of the definitive Securities as Holders of the Securities hereunder. The Registrar shall reflect on its records the issuance of definitive Securities in exchange for the Global Securities.

In the event that certificated Securities for any reason are not so issued by the Co-Issuers to such beneficial owners of interests in Global Securities, the Issuer expressly acknowledges that such beneficial owners shall be entitled to pursue any remedy that the Holders of a Global Security would be entitled to pursue in accordance with the Indenture (but only to the extent of such beneficial owner's interest in the Global Security) as if certificated Securities had been issued. Payments on such certificated Securities will be made by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a Dollar-denominated account maintained by the owner or, if a wire transfer cannot be effected, by a Dollar check delivered to the Holder.

### Section 2.3. Authorized Amount; Denominations.

(a) The aggregate principal amount of Notes that may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture is limited to U.S.\$827,000,000, except for Notes authenticated and delivered upon registration of, transfer of, or in exchange for, or in lieu of, other Notes pursuant to Section 2.6, 2.7 or 8.5 of this Indenture.



The Securities shall be divided into the following Classes (including one class of Class Q-1 Combination Securities and two classes of Class P Securities), having the designations, original principal amounts and other characteristics as follows:

Class	A-1A	A-1B	A-1C	A-2	A-3	A-4	B	C
Original Principal Amount	U.S.\$ 50,000,000 <sup>1</sup>	U.S.\$ 50,000,000 <sup>2</sup>	U.S.\$ 446,000,000	U.S.\$ 68,500,000	U.S.\$ 68,500,000	U.S.\$ 43,000,000	U.S.\$ 49,000,000	U.S.\$ 52,000,000 <sup>5</sup>
Interest Rate	LIBOR + 0.29% <sup>3</sup>	LIBOR + 0.25% <sup>4</sup>	LIBOR + 0.25%	LIBOR + 0.375%	LIBOR + 0.50%	LIBOR + 0.55%	LIBOR + 0.90%	LIBOR + 1.90%
Initial Rating (Moody's/S&P)	Aaa/AAA	Aaa/AAA	Aaa/AAA	Aaa/AAA	Aa1/AAA	Aa2/AA	A2/A	Baa2/BBB

- 1 The original principal amount shown above in respect of the Class A-1A Notes is the Commitment for such Class on the Closing Date. Except as otherwise provided, for purposes of this Indenture, references to the principal of Class A-1A Notes shall mean the Drawn Amount thereof from time to time.
- 2 The original principal amount shown above in respect of the Class A-1B Notes is the Fully Drawn Amount for such Class. Except as otherwise provided, for purposes of this Indenture, references to the principal of Class A-1B Notes shall mean the Drawn Amount thereof from time to time.
- 3 The Class A-1A Notes also will be entitled to the Commitment Fee on the Aggregate Undrawn Amount of Class A-1A Notes.
- 4 The Class A-1B Notes also will be entitled to the Delayed Drawdown Fee on the Aggregate Undrawn Amount of Class A-1B Notes.
- 5 Includes U.S.\$12,600,000 representing the Class Q-1 Note Component.

Class	Class E Certificates <sup>1</sup>	Q-1	P-1	P-2
Face Amount/Stated Amount	U.S.\$94,000,000 <sup>2</sup>	U.S.\$ 20,000,000 <sup>3</sup>	U.S.\$ 20,000,000 <sup>4</sup>	U.S.\$ 5,000,000 <sup>5</sup>
Interest Rate	N/A	<sup>6</sup>	N/A	N/A
Initial Rating (Moody's/S&P)	N/A	Baa2/N/A	Aaa/N/A	Aaa/N/A

- 1 The Issuer will also issue Class E Certificates pursuant to the Class E Certificate Documents. The Class E Certificates will be issued with a Face Amount of U.S.\$1,000 per certificate. The Class E Certificates are not issued pursuant to or secured by the lien of this Indenture.
- 2 The aggregate Face Amount of the Class E Certificates includes (i) the U.S.\$7,400,000 aggregate Face Amount of Class E Certificates represented by the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component, (ii) the U.S.\$6,180,000 aggregate Face Amount of Class E Certificates represented by the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component and (iii) the U.S.\$1,500,000 aggregate Face Amount of Class E Certificates represented by the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component.
- 3 The Class Q-1 Securities consist of the Class Q-1 Note Component representing U.S.\$12,600,000 aggregate principal amount of Class C Notes and the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component representing an aggregate Face Amount of Class E Certificates of U.S.\$7,400,000.
- 4 The Class P-1 Securities consist of the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component representing 6,180 Class E Certificates and the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component representing U.S.\$20,000,000 (face value) U.S. Treasury securities with zero coupon due November 15, 2013.
- 5 The Class P-2 Securities consist of the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component representing 1,500 Class E Certificates and the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component representing U.S.\$5,000,000 (face value) U.S. Treasury securities with zero coupon due November 15, 2013.
- 6 The Class Q-1 Note Component bears interest at the same rate as the Class C Notes represented by it and the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component bears the right to receive Interest Proceeds in the same manner as the Class E Certificates. Any amounts payable thereon shall be subject to the availability of funds for such payment with respect to the underlying Class Q-1 Components in accordance with the Priority of Payments, and the Class Q-1 Security shall not be entitled to any payments in addition to the payments required to be made on its underlying Class Q-1 Components.

The Notes will be issuable in minimum denominations of U.S.\$500,000 principal amount, and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess of that amount. The Class Q-1 Securities shall be issuable in minimum denominations such that each Class Q-1 Component meets the minimum authorized denomination of the underlying Class and the proportion among the Class Q-1 Components is maintained (an “Authorized Class Q-1 Denomination”), which shall mean that the Authorized Class Q-1 Denomination shall be \$1,400,000 in stated amount (consisting of \$882,000 Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class Q-1 Note Component and \$518,000 aggregate Face Amount of the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component) and integral multiples of U.S.\$100,000 in excess thereof.

The Class P Securities shall be issuable in minimum denominations such that the Class P Class E Certificate Component meets the minimum authorized denomination of 500 Class E Certificates (and the Class P U.S. Treasury Component meets the minimum authorized denominations thereof) and the proportion among the relevant Class P Components is maintained (an “Authorized Class P-1 Denomination” or an “Authorized Class P-2 Denomination”, as applicable), which shall mean that the authorized minimum denomination for the Class P-1 Securities shall be U.S.\$2,000,000 in stated amount (in which the Class P-1 Class E Certificates Component consist of Class E Certificates with an aggregate Face Amount of U.S.\$618,000) and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000,000 in excess thereof and the authorized minimum denomination for the Class P-2 Securities shall be U.S.\$1,700,000 in stated amount

(in which the Class P-2 Class E Certificates Component consist of Class E Certificates with an aggregate Face Amount of U.S.\$510,000) and integral multiples of U.S.\$50,000 in excess thereof.

(b) The Issuer will also issue 94,000 Class E Certificates (with an aggregate Face Amount of U.S.\$94,000,000 pursuant to the Class E Certificate Documents, simultaneously with the issuance of the Indenture Securities under this Indenture. The Class E Certificates are not issued pursuant to or secured by the lien of this Indenture. Any payments to be made by the Trustee hereunder with respect to the Class E Certificates will be released by the Trustee to the Class E Certificates Paying Agent in accordance with the Priority of Payments for deposit into the Class E Certificates Distribution Account for payment (subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands) to Holders of the Class E Certificates as dividends or redemption price, as applicable.

#### Section 2.4. Extension of Reinvestment Period and Stated Maturity.

(a) The Issuer, if directed by the Portfolio Manager, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Stated Maturity to the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date in accordance with this Section 2.4 and (ii) the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.4(c) are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice to the Trustee of its election to extend the Stated Maturity no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Indenture Securities shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date (and the Scheduled Class E Certificate Redemption Date shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Scheduled Class E Certificate Redemption Date), the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date and the Reinvestment Period shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Reinvestment Period End Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Indenture Securities or Class E Certificates or amendment or supplement to this Indenture or the Class E Certificate Documents (the “Maturity Extension”); provided that the Issuer will not be permitted to effect more than four Maturity Extensions.

(b) In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Indenture Securities or Class E Certificates wishing to sell such Indenture Securities or Class E Certificates to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to Section 2.4(d) (such Indenture Securities and Class E Certificates as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, “Extension Sale Securities”); provided that in the case of Holders of Class P Securities wishing to sell such Class P Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser, such Class P Securities will be deemed exchanged for their respective Components, only the Class E Certificate represented by the related Class E Certificate Component shall constitute Extension Sale Securities and are to be purchased by an Extension Qualifying Purchaser for a price equal to the Extension Purchase Price, which will in case of such sale be distributed to the related selling Holders of Class P Securities, and such Holders will receive a distribution in kind of the related pro rata amount of the Class P U.S. Treasury Component. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, each Holder providing an Extension Sale Notice shall be deemed to agree that no Extension Sale Securities of any Holder shall be purchased unless all Extension Sale Securities of all Holders are purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date and the other Extension Conditions are satisfied as of such date.

(c) The Maturity Extension shall be effective only if the following conditions (the “Extension Conditions”) are satisfied:

(i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Prices as of the applicable Extension Effective Date;

(ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions in this Indenture and the Class E Certificate Documents and the legends on such Notes or Class E Certificates and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency);

(iii) (a) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to S&P (so long as any Notes are then rated by S&P) and (b) either (i) all Coverage Tests and the Selected Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied as of the related Extension Determination Date, the rating of each Class of Notes then rated by Moody's has not been downgraded, withdrawn or qualified from that in effect on the Closing Date (unless it subsequently has been reinstated to the rating assigned on the Closing Date) and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$900,000,000 or (ii) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to Moody's (so long as any Notes are then rated by Moody's); and

(iv) the Issuer has not effected more than three prior Maturity Extensions.

The Issuer, the Trustee and, by its acceptance of the Indenture Securities or Class E Certificates, each Holder of Indenture Securities or Class E Certificates agrees that neither the Initial Purchaser nor the Placement Agent shall be responsible for causing the Extension Conditions to be satisfied or liable to any such person or Holder of Indenture Securities or Class E Certificates (whether or not such Holder gave an Extension Sale Notice with respect to its Notes or Class E Certificates) or to any other person if the Extension Conditions are not satisfied. Failure of the Extension Conditions to be satisfied shall not constitute a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture.

(d) Extension Procedure.

(i) No later than three Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Issuer of its election to extend the Stated Maturity (the "Extension Notice"), the Trustee shall mail the Extension Notice to all Holders of Indenture Securities and the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Class E Certificates) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding), in the form of Exhibit J, and shall request the Rating Condition for the Maturity Extension from S&P, if applicable;

(ii) Any Holder of Indenture Securities or Class E Certificates may give irrevocable notice (an "Extension Sale Notice") within 30 days after the Trustee has mailed the Extension Notice (the "Extension Sale Notice Period") of its intention to sell its Indenture Securities or Class E Certificates to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension;

(iii) Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of Indenture Securities or Class E Certificates that has not given such an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be entitled to sell its Indenture Securities or Class E Certificates to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension; and

(iv) If clause (iii)(b)(i) of the Extension Conditions is not satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date as determined by the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf), the Trustee shall request the Rating Condition to be satisfied with respect to Moody's.

(e) On the applicable Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf) shall confirm (i) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Indenture Securities or Class E Certificates in compliance with all transfer restrictions in this Indenture (and in the case of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement and in the case of the Class A-1B Notes, the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement, as applicable) and the legends on such Indenture Securities or Class E Certificates and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (ii) whether the requirements of clause (c)(iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date and (iii) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the applicable Extension Effective Date. For the avoidance of doubt, in the case of Class A-1A Notes that are Extension Sale Securities, the purchase thereof by the Extension Qualifying Purchaser shall include the related Commitment thereunder.

(f) On each Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension shall automatically become effective under the terms of this Indenture; provided that all Extension Conditions set forth in clauses (a) and (c) above are satisfied as certified by the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf). No later than two Business Days after each Extension Effective Date, the Trustee based on a determination made by the Issuer in consultation with the Portfolio Manager, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail a notice to all Holders of Indenture Securities, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates), the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding), the Irish Listing and Paying Agent for forwarding to the Irish Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class of Securities is listed thereon) and the Administrator for forwarding to the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class of Securities is listed thereon) confirming whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension became effective, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf shall make any required notifications thereof to the Depository for any Indenture Securities or Class E Certificates subject to the Maturity Extension.

(g) In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Beneficial Owner of Notes (including in the form of the Class Q-1 Note Component) other than Extension Sale Securities shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment. Holders of the Class E Certificates, Class P-1 Securities and Class P-2 Securities shall not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

The Extension Bonus Payment shall be payable to any applicable qualifying Beneficial Owners who have provided the Trustee with an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification on or before the 5<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the first Payment Date from and including each Extension Effective Date on which funds are available to be used for such purposes in accordance with Priority of Payments, but in any event, no later than the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption of the Notes. Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments on a Payment Date shall not be considered "due and payable" hereunder. The failure to pay any such Extension Bonus Payment on such date shall not be an Event of Default, unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Notes. Unpaid Extension Bonus Payments shall not accrue interest. Such amounts shall be paid, in the case of the Notes, to the accounts designated in the applicable

Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification or, to the extent otherwise required by the rules of any applicable securities exchange or clearing agency, in a manner determined by the Issuer.

Section 2.5. Execution, Authentication, Delivery, and Dating.

The Indenture Securities shall be executed on behalf of each of the Applicable Issuers by one of their respective Authorized Officers. The signature of the Authorized Officer on the Indenture Securities may be manual or facsimile.

Indenture Securities bearing the manual or facsimile signatures of individuals who were at any time the Authorized Officers of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, shall bind the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, notwithstanding that any of them have ceased to hold their offices before the authentication and delivery of the Indenture Securities or did not hold their offices at the date of issuance of the Indenture Securities.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Indenture, the Issuer and the Co-Issuer may deliver Indenture Securities executed by the Applicable Issuers to the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent for authentication and the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent, upon Issuer Order, shall authenticate and deliver the Indenture Securities as provided in this Indenture and not otherwise.

Each Indenture Security authenticated and delivered by the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent upon Issuer Order on the Closing Date shall be dated as of the Closing Date. All other Indenture Securities that are authenticated after the Closing Date for any other purpose under this Indenture shall be dated the date of their authentication.

Indenture Securities issued upon transfer, exchange, or replacement of other Indenture Securities shall be issued in authorized denominations reflecting the original Aggregate Outstanding Amount (or, in the case of the Class Q-1 Securities, original stated amount) of the Indenture Securities so transferred, exchanged, or replaced, but shall represent only the current outstanding principal amount of the Indenture Securities so transferred, exchanged, or replaced. If any Indenture Security is divided into more than one Indenture Security in accordance with this Article 2, the original principal amount of the Indenture Security shall be proportionately divided among the Indenture Securities delivered in exchange for it and shall be the original aggregate principal amount of the subsequently issued Indenture Securities.

No Indenture Security shall be entitled to any benefit under this Indenture or be valid or obligatory for any purpose, unless there appears on the Indenture Security a Certificate of Authentication executed by the Trustee or by the Authenticating Agent by the manual signature of one of their Authorized Officers, and that certificate on any Indenture Security shall be conclusive evidence, and the only evidence, that the Indenture Security has been duly authenticated and delivered under this Indenture.

Section 2.6. Registration, Registration of Transfer and Exchange.

(a) The Issuer shall cause a register (the “Indenture Register”) to be kept in which the Issuer shall provide for the registration of Indenture Securities and the registration of transfers of Indenture Securities. The Trustee is hereby initially appointed “Indenture Registrar” for the purpose of registering Indenture Securities and transfers of the Indenture Securities as provided in this Indenture. The Issuer may rely conclusively on any such information provided to it by the Trustee. Upon any resignation or removal of the Indenture Registrar, the Issuer shall promptly appoint a successor and notify

the Portfolio Manager of the appointment or, in the absence of such appointment, assume the duties of Indenture Registrar.

If the Issuer appoints a person other than the Trustee to be Indenture Registrar, the Issuer will give the Trustee prompt written notice of the appointment of the Indenture Registrar and of the location, and any change in the location, of the Indenture Register. The Trustee may inspect the Indenture Register at all reasonable times and obtain copies of it. The Trustee may rely on a certificate executed on behalf of the Indenture Registrar by an Officer of the Indenture Registrar as to the names and addresses of the Holders of the Indenture Securities and the principal amounts and number of the Indenture Securities.

Upon surrender for registration of transfer of any Indenture Securities at the office or agency of the Co-Issuers to be maintained pursuant to Section 7.2, if the requirements of this Indenture are met the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in the name of the designated transferees, new Indenture Securities of any authorized denomination and of a like original Aggregate Outstanding Amount (or, in the case of the Class Q-1 Securities, original stated amount).

At the option of its holder, Indenture Securities may be exchanged for Indenture Securities of like terms, in any authorized denominations and of like aggregate principal amount, upon surrender of the Indenture Securities to be exchanged at the office or agency of the Co-Issuers to be maintained pursuant to Section 7.2. Whenever any Indenture Security is surrendered for exchange, the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, the Indenture Securities that the Holder making the exchange is entitled to receive.

All Indenture Securities issued on any registration of transfer or exchange of Indenture Securities shall be the valid obligations of the Applicable Issuers evidencing the same obligations, and entitled to the same benefits under this Indenture, as the Indenture Securities surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

Every Indenture Security presented or surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange shall be duly endorsed, or be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Indenture Registrar duly executed by its holder or his attorney duly authorized in writing.

No Holder shall incur a service charge for any registration of transfer or exchange of the Indenture Securities, but the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

(b) No Indenture Security may be sold or transferred (including by pledge or hypothecation) unless the sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, is exempt from the registration requirements under applicable state securities laws, and will not cause either of the Co-Issuers to become subject to the requirement that it register as an investment company under the 1940 Act. None of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, or any other person shall have any obligation to register the Indenture Securities under the Securities Act or any state securities laws.

(c) (i) Until the end of the Draw Period, transfers of beneficial interests in Class A-1A Notes will be permitted only to transferees that satisfy the Rating Criteria and (ii) until the end of the Delayed Drawdown Period, transfers of beneficial interests in Class A-1B Notes will be permitted only to transferees that satisfy the Rating Criteria. In addition to the requirements of this Section 2.6 (including 2.6(h)) and Section 2.5, all transfers of Class A-1A Notes shall be made in accordance with the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement and all transfers of Class A-1B Notes shall be made in accordance with the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement if then in effect.

(d) (i) No Note may be transferred to any Plan or any governmental, foreign or church plan subject to any federal, state, local or non-U.S. law that is substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, unless such Plan's purchase, holding and disposition of such Note will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any federal, state, local or non-U.S. law that is substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, for which an exemption is not available, all of the conditions of which are satisfied;

(ii) No ERISA-Restricted Indenture Security may be transferred, and the Trustee shall not register any such proposed transfer, to a proposed transferee that has represented that it is a Plan.

(e) Neither the Trustee nor the Indenture Registrar shall be responsible for ascertaining whether any transfer complies with, or for otherwise monitoring or determining compliance with, the requirements or terms of the Securities Act, applicable state securities laws, ERISA, the Code or the 1940 Act; except that if a certificate or any other document is specifically required by this Section 2.6 to be provided to the Trustee by a prospective transferee, the Trustee shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine whether it conforms substantially on its face to the applicable requirements of this Section 2.6.

(f) For so long as any of the Indenture Securities are Outstanding, the Issuer shall not issue or register the transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares to U.S. persons and the Co-Issuer shall not issue or register the transfer of any of its shares of the Co-Issuer to U.S. persons. As used in this subsection (f), "U.S. person" has the meaning assigned to it in Regulation S.

(g) So long as a Global Security remains Outstanding and is held by or on behalf of the Depositary, transfers of the Global Security, in whole or in part, shall only be made in accordance with Sections 2.2(b) and (c) and this Section 2.6(g).

(i) Subject to clauses (ii), (iii), (iv) and (v) of this Section 2.6(g), transfers of a Global Security shall be limited to transfers of such Global Security in whole, but not in part, to nominees of the Depositary.

(ii) Rule 144A Global Note to Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security. If a Holder of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note deposited with the Depositary wishes at any time to exchange its interest in the Rule 144A Global Note for an interest in the corresponding Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security, or to transfer its interest in such Rule 144A Global Note to a person who wishes to take delivery of it in the form of an interest in the corresponding Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security, such Holder may exchange or transfer such interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security (subject to the rules and procedures of the Depositary) if the Holder after the exchange or transfer is not a U.S. person.

In the case of the transfer of a Rule 144A Global Note, the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depositary to reduce the principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Note and to increase the principal amount of the Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security, as the case may be, by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to be exchanged or transferred, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to the Holder's Notes, and to credit or cause to be credited to the securities account of the person specified in such instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Temporary Regulation S



Global Security or Regulation S Global Security equal to the reduction in the principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Security upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of:

(A) instructions given in accordance with the Depositary's procedures from an Agent Member directing the Indenture Registrar to credit or cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the corresponding Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to such Holder's Notes, in an amount equal to the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to be exchanged or transferred;

(B) a written order given in accordance with the Depositary's procedures containing information regarding the participant account of the Depositary and the Euroclear or Clearstream account to be credited with such increase; and

(C) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B1 attached hereto given by the Holder of such beneficial interest stating that the exchange or transfer of such interest has been made in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Global Securities, including that the Holder or the transferee, as applicable, is not a U.S. person, and that the transfer has been made pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S.

(iii) Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security to Rule 144A Global Note. If a Holder of a Note held as a beneficial interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security deposited with the Depositary, Euroclear or Clearstream, as applicable, wishes at any time to exchange its interest in such Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security for an interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note or to transfer its interest in such Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security to a person who wishes to take delivery of it in the form of an interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note, such Holder may exchange or transfer, or cause the exchange or transfer of, such interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note (subject to the rules and procedures of Euroclear, Clearstream, or the Depositary, as the case may be) if the Holder after the exchange or transfer is a QIB/QP.

In the case of an exchange or transfer of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security, the Indenture Registrar shall instruct Euroclear, Clearstream, or the Depositary, as the case may be, to reduce, or cause to be reduced, the Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security to be transferred or exchanged and Regulation S Global Security to be exchanged and concurrently with such reduction, the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depositary to credit or cause to be credited to the securities account of the person specified in such instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note equal to the reduction in the amount of the Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security, in each case upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of:

(A) instructions from Euroclear, Clearstream and/or the Depositary, as the case may be, directing the Indenture Registrar to cause to be credited a beneficial interest in such Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to such Holder's Notes, to be exchanged or transferred, such instructions to contain information regarding the participant account with the Depositary to be credited with such increase; and

(B) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B2 attached hereto given by the Holder of such beneficial interest and stating that, in the case of a transfer, the person transferring such interest in such Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security reasonably believes that the person acquiring such interest in a Rule 144A Global Note is a Qualified Institutional Buyer, is obtaining the beneficial interest in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction, and is also a Qualified Purchaser.

(iv) Temporary Regulation S Global Security to Regulation S Global Security. On or after the Exchange Date, interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security may be exchanged for interests in the corresponding Regulation S Global Security in the form of the Exhibit A2 hereto. Any such Regulation S Global Security shall be so issued and delivered in exchange for only that portion of the Temporary Regulation S Global Security in respect of which there shall have been presented to the Depository by Euroclear or Clearstream a certification to the effect that it has received from or in respect of a person entitled to an interest (as shown by its records) therein a certification that the beneficial interests in such Temporary Regulation S Global Security are owned by persons who are not U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S).

(v) Other Exchanges. If a Global Security is exchanged for the Notes in definitive registered form without interest coupons pursuant to Section 2.11 hereof, the Notes may be exchanged for one another only in accordance with such procedures as are substantially consistent with the provisions above (including certification requirements intended to insure that such transfers are made only to Holders who are Qualified Purchasers acquiring in compliance with Rule 144A or are to non-U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S) who are non-U.S. residents (as determined for purposes of the Investment Company Act) acquiring in compliance with Regulation S and as may be from time to time adopted by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee.

(h) So long as any Certificated Class A-1A Notes or Certificated Class A-1B Notes remain Outstanding, transfers and exchanges of the Certificated Class A-1 Notes, in whole or in part, shall only be made in accordance with this Section 2.6(h) and the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement or Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement, as applicable, if then in effect.

(i) Transfer of Certificated Class A-1 Notes. If a Holder of a Certificated Class A-1 Note wishes at any time to transfer its interest in such Certificated Class A-1 Note, such Holder may transfer or cause the transfer of such interest for an equivalent interest in one or more such Certificated Class A-1 Notes as provided below. Upon receipt by the Issuer and the Trustee, as Indenture Registrar, of:

(A) such Holder's Certificated Class A-1 Note properly endorsed for assignment to the transferee, and

(B) a Transfer Certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B3 (in the case of Certificated Class A-1A Notes) or Exhibit B4 (in the case of Certificated Class A-1B Notes), as applicable, given by the transferee of such beneficial interest,

the Trustee, as Indenture Registrar, shall cancel such Certificated Class A-1 Note in accordance with Section 2.10, record the transfer in the Indenture Register in accordance with Section 2.6(a) and shall instruct the Co-Issuers to execute the applicable Certificated Class A-1 Notes and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver applicable Certificated Class A-1 Notes bearing the same designation as the Certificated Class A-1 Notes endorsed for transfer, registered in the names specified in the assignment

described in clause (A) above, in principal amounts designated by the transferee (the aggregate of such amounts being the same as the beneficial interest in the Certificated Class A-1 Note surrendered by the transferor), and in Authorized Denominations. Any purported transfer in violation of the foregoing requirements (including a purported transfer or request to transfer by delivery to the Trustee of any patently false certificate pursuant to clause (C) above) shall be null and void *ab initio*, and the Trustee shall not register any such purported transfer and shall not authenticate and deliver such Certificated Class A-1 Notes.

(ii) Exchange of Certificated Class A-1 Notes. If a holder of a Certificated Class A-1A Note or Certificated Class A-1B Notes wishes at any time to exchange such Certificated Class A-1 Note for one or more such Certificated Class A-1 Notes or Certificated Class A-1B Notes, as applicable of different principal amounts, such holder may exchange or cause the exchange of such interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in Certificated Class A-1A Notes or Certificated Class A-1B Notes, as applicable, bearing the same designation as the Certificated Class A-1A Note or Certificated Class A-1B Note, as applicable, endorsed for exchange as provided below. Upon receipt by the Trustee, as Indenture Registrar, of:

- (A) such Holder's Certificated Class A-1A Note or Class A-1B Note, as applicable, properly endorsed for such exchange and
- (B) written instructions from such Holder designating the number and principal amounts of the Certificated Class A-1A Notes or Certificated Class A-1B Notes, as applicable, to be issued (the aggregate principal amounts of such Certificated Class A-1A Notes or Class A-1B Notes, as applicable, being the same as the Certificated Class A-1A Note or Certificated Class A-1B Note, as applicable, surrendered for exchange),

the Trustee, as Indenture Registrar, shall cancel such Certificated Class A-1 Note in accordance with Section 2.10, record the exchange in the Indenture Register in accordance with Section 2.6(a) and shall instruct the Co-Issuers to execute the Certificated Class A-1 Notes and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver one or more Certificated Class A-1 Notes of the same Class bearing the same designation as the Certificated Class A-1 Note endorsed for exchange, registered in the same names as the Certificated Class A-1 Note surrendered by such holder or such different names as are specified in the endorsement described in clause (A) above, in different principal amounts designated by such holder (the aggregate principal amounts being the same as the beneficial interest in the Certificated Class A-1 Notes surrendered by such holder), and in Authorized Denominations.

(i) If the Indenture Securities are issued upon the transfer, exchange, or replacement of Indenture Securities bearing the applicable legends in the applicable portion of Exhibit A, and if a request is made to remove the legend on the Indenture Securities, the legend shall not be removed unless the Trustee and the Applicable Issuers received satisfactory evidence, which may include an Opinion of Counsel acceptable to them, reasonably required by the Applicable Issuers (and which shall by its terms permit reliance by the Trustee), to the effect that neither the legend nor the restrictions on transfer in it are required to ensure that transfers of the Indenture Securities comply with the Securities Act, the 1940 Act, ERISA, and the Code (or applicable exceptions therefrom). Upon provision of satisfactory evidence, the Trustee or its Authenticating Agent, at the written direction of the Applicable Issuers, shall, after due execution by the Applicable Issuers, authenticate and deliver Indenture Securities that do not bear the applicable legend.

(j) Each initial purchaser and subsequent transferee who is purchasing an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will be deemed to have represented and agreed as follows:

(i) It (a) is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is acquiring the Notes in reliance on the exemption from Securities Act registration provided by Rule 144A thereunder, (b) is a Qualified Purchaser and (c) understands the Notes will bear the legend set forth in this Indenture and be represented by one or more Rule 144A Global Notes. In addition, it represents and warrants that it (i) was not formed for the purpose of investing in the Notes, (ii) has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners if the purchaser is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, (iii) is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than U.S. \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (iv) is not a partnership, common trust fund, special trust, pension, profit sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants, as applicable, may designate the particular investments to be made, (v) is acquiring its Notes in a transaction that may be effected without loss of any applicable Investment Company Act exemption, (vi) will provide notice to any subsequent transferee of the transfer restrictions applicable to such Notes under this Indenture or provided in the legend of such Notes, (vii) will hold and transfer its beneficial interest in any Note only in a principal amount of not less than the applicable minimum denomination and (viii) will provide the Issuer from time to time such information as it may reasonably request in order to ascertain compliance with this subclause (i).

(ii) The Notes are being purchased or transferred in accordance with the transfer restrictions set forth in this Indenture and pursuant to an exemption from Securities Act registration, and in accordance with applicable state securities laws or securities laws of any other relevant jurisdiction. It understands that the Notes have been offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or the securities laws of any states, and, if in the future it decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Notes, such Notes may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with an exemption from registration under such laws and pursuant to the provisions of this Indenture and the legend on such Notes. In particular, it understands that interests in the Notes may be transferred only to (a) a Qualified Purchaser that is a Qualified Institutional Buyer or (b) a person that is not a "U.S. person" as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Purchasers and transferees who reside in certain states or jurisdictions may be subject to additional suitability standards and/or specific holding periods before the Notes may be resold or otherwise transferred. It acknowledges that no representation is made as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or any state or other securities laws for resale of the Notes.

(iii) In connection with the purchase of the Notes: (a) it understands that none of the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Collateral Administrator, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Agent or any of their respective affiliates is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for such beneficial owner; (b) such beneficial owner is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Trustee, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective affiliates, agents and independent contractors in their capacities as such other than statements, if any, of such person in a current offering memorandum for the Notes; (c) such beneficial owner has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisers to the extent it has deemed necessary and has made its own investment decisions based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisers as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Trustee, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective affiliates, agents and independent contractors in their capacities as such; (d) such beneficial owner's purchase of the Notes will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located; (e)

such beneficial owner is acquiring the Notes as principal solely for its own account for investment and not with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act; (f) such beneficial owner has made investments prior to the date hereof and was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Notes; (g) such beneficial owner shall not hold any Notes for the benefit of any other person, it shall at all times be the sole beneficial owner thereof for purposes of the Investment Company Act and all other purposes and it shall not sell participation interests in the Notes or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the distributions on the Notes; (h) all Notes (together with any other securities of the Issuer) purchased and held directly or indirectly by such beneficial owner constitute in the aggregate an investment of no more than 40% of its assets or capital and (i) it is a sophisticated investor and is purchasing the Notes with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof, and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume those risks.

(iv) On each day from the date on which it acquires its interest in the Notes through and including the date on which it disposes of its interest in such Notes, either (A) it is not, and is not acting on behalf of or using the asset of, a Plan or a governmental, foreign or church plan that is subject to any federal, state, local or non-U.S. law which is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or (B) its purchase, holding and disposition of such Notes (or interest therein) will not constitute or result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar federal, state, local or other law, for which an exemption is not available, all of the conditions of which are satisfied.

(v) It understands that this Indenture permits the Issuer to demand that any holder of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note who is determined not to be both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser sell the Notes (a) to a person who is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A or (b) to a Person who will take delivery of the holder's interest in the Rule 144A Global Note in the form of an interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Regulation S Global Note, as applicable, and who is not a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) in a transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S and, if the holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may cause such Holder of the beneficial interest to sell such holder's interest in the Note on such terms as the Issuer may choose.

(vi) It acknowledges that it is its intent and that it understands it is the intent of the Issuer that, for purposes of U.S. federal income, state and local income and franchise tax and any other income taxes, the Issuer will be treated as a corporation, the Notes will be treated as indebtedness of the Issuer, the Class E Certificates (in the absence of an administrative determination or judicial ruling to the contrary) will be treated as equity in the Issuer and the Class Q-1 Securities and Class P Securities will be treated as a direct ownership interest in the corresponding components of such Security; it agrees to such treatment and agrees to take no action inconsistent with such treatment.

(vii) It is not purchasing the Securities in order to reduce any United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan. In the case of a purchaser that is a bank (as defined in Section 881(c)(3)(a) of the Code) or an affiliate of such a bank, the purchaser (a) is acquiring the Notes as a capital markets investment and will not for any purpose treat the assets of the Issuer as loans acquired in its banking business, and (b) has not proposed or identified, and will not propose or identify, any security or loan for inclusion in the Collateral.

(viii) In the case of any purchaser that is not a United States person (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code), it is not a bank (as defined in Section 881(c)(3)(a) of the Code) or an affiliate of such a bank, unless the purchaser is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States.

(ix) It is aware that, except as otherwise provided in this Indenture, the Notes being sold to it will be represented by one or more Global Notes, and that beneficial interests therein may be held only through the Depositary.

(x) It acknowledges that no governmental agency has passed upon the Notes or made any finding or determination as to the fairness of an investment in the Notes.

(xi) It acknowledges that certain persons or organizations will perform services on behalf of the Issuer and will receive fees and/or compensation for performing such services as described in the Offering Memorandum and this Indenture.

(xii) It acknowledges that the Notes do not represent deposits with or other liabilities or obligations of, and are not guaranteed or endorsed by, the Placement Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective affiliates or any entity related to any of them or any other Holder of Notes. It acknowledges that none of such persons will, in any way, be responsible for or stand behind the value or the performance of the Notes or the assets held by the Issuer. It acknowledges that purchase of Notes involves investment risks including possible delay in payment of distributions and loss of income and principal invested.

(xiii) It understands that the maturity of the Notes is subject to up to four extensions of four years each (to a latest possible date of November 1, 2033) without consent of any beneficial owners of Securities if certain conditions are satisfied.

(xiv) It understands that in the case of any amendment to this Indenture that requires consent of one or more holders of Notes, this Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase at the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, the beneficial interest in the Notes from any holder thereof that either (i) has declared in writing that it will not consent to such amendment or (ii) had not consented to such amendment by the last day on which consent could be given in accordance with the request therefor, and such holder will be required to sell its beneficial interest in the Notes to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price.

(xv) It understands that the Issuer, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Collateral Administrator and their respective counsel will rely upon the accuracy and truth of the foregoing representations, and it hereby consents to such reliance.

(k) Each initial purchaser and subsequent transferee who is purchasing an interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or a Regulation S Global Note will be deemed to have made the representations set forth in Section 2.6(j)(ii), (iii), (iv), (vi), (vii), (viii), (x), (xi), (xii), (xiii) and (xiv), and in addition to have further represented and agreed as follows:

(i) It is aware that the sale of Notes to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Regulation S and understands that the Notes offered in reliance on

Regulation S will bear the legend set forth in the applicable Note. It and each beneficial owner of its Notes is not, and will not be, a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act, and its purchase of the Notes will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located. In addition, it represents and warrants that it will (i) provide notice to any subsequent transferee of the transfer restrictions provided in such legend and in this Indenture, (ii) hold and transfer its beneficial interest in any Note only in a principal amount of not less than the applicable minimum denomination and (iii) provide the Issuer from time to time such information as it may reasonably request in order to ascertain compliance with this subclause (i).

(ii) It understands that this Indenture permits the Issuer to demand that any holder of a beneficial interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Regulation S Global Note who is determined not to have acquired such beneficial interest in compliance with the requirements of Regulation S or who is a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) sell such beneficial interest (a) to a Person who is not a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) in a transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S or (b) to a Person who will take delivery of the holder's beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Notes or Regulation S Global Notes in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note, who is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A under the Securities Act and, if the holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may cause the holder to sell its beneficial interest on such terms as the Issuer may choose.

(iii) Such beneficial owner is aware that, except as otherwise provided in this Indenture, the Notes being sold to it will be represented (a) initially, by one or more Temporary Regulation S Global Notes and (b) after the Exchange Date, by one or more Regulation S Global Notes, and that beneficial interests therein may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream.

(iv) A holder of a beneficial interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note must provide Euroclear or Clearstream or the participant organization through which it holds such interest, as applicable, with a certificate certifying that the beneficial owner of the interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note is a non-U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) and Euroclear or Clearstream, as applicable, must provide to the Trustee a certificate to such effect, prior to (a) the payment of interest or principal with respect to such holder's beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note and (b) any exchange of such beneficial interest for a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note, and no payment will be made to the holder of any beneficial interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note unless such holder has provided Euroclear or Clearstream or such participant organization through which it holds such interest with such certificate.

(v) It understands that any resale or other transfer of beneficial interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Regulation S Global Note to U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S) shall not be permitted.

(vi) It understands that the Issuer, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Collateral Administrator and their respective counsel will rely upon the accuracy and truth of the foregoing representations, and it hereby consents to such reliance.

(l) Each initial purchaser and subsequent transferee who is purchasing an interest in a Class Q-1 Security represented by a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or a Regulation S Global Security will be deemed to have represented and agreed as follows:

(i) It is aware that the sale of Class Q-1 Securities to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Regulation S and understands that the Class Q-1 Securities offered in reliance on Regulation S will bear the legend set forth in the applicable Class Q-1 Security. It and each beneficial owner of its Class Q-1 Securities is not, and will not be, a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act, and its purchase of the Class Q-1 Securities will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located. In addition, it represents and warrants that it will (i) provide notice to any subsequent transferee of the transfer restrictions provided in such legend and in the Indenture, (ii) hold and transfer its beneficial interest in any Class Q-1 Securities only in not less than the applicable minimum denomination; and (iii) provide the Issuer from time to time such information as it may reasonably request in order to ascertain compliance with this paragraph (i).

(ii) The Class Q-1 Securities are being purchased or transferred in accordance with the transfer restrictions set forth in this Indenture and pursuant to an exemption from Securities Act registration, and in accordance with applicable state securities laws or securities laws of any other relevant jurisdiction. It understands that the Class Q-1 Securities have been offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Class Q-1 Securities have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or the securities laws of any states, and, if in the future it decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Class Q-1 Securities, such Class Q-1 Securities may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with an exemption from registration under such laws and pursuant to the provisions of this Indenture and the legend on such Class Q-1 Securities. In particular, it understands that the Class Q-1 Securities may be transferred only (a) in the form of a Certificated Class Q-1 Security to a Qualified Purchaser that is also a Qualified Institutional Buyer or (b) in the form of an interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security to a person that is not a "U.S. person" as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Purchasers and transferees who reside in certain states or jurisdictions may be subject to additional suitability standards and/or specific holding periods before the Class Q-1 Securities may be resold or otherwise transferred. It acknowledges that no representation is made as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or any state or other securities laws for resale of the Class Q-1 Securities.

(iii) In connection with the purchase of the Class Q-1 Securities: (a) it understands that none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent and or any of their respective Affiliates is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for it; (b) it is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (in each case whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective Affiliates, agents and independent contractors in their capacities as such other than statements, if any, of such person in a current offering memorandum for the Class Q-1 Securities; (c) it has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisers to the extent it has deemed necessary and has made its own investment decisions based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisers as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective Affiliates, agents and independent contractors in their capacities as such; (d) its purchase of the Class Q-1 Securities will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located; (e) it is acquiring the Class Q-1 Securities



as principal solely for its own account for investment and not with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act; (f) it has made investments prior to the date hereof and was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Class Q-1 Securities; (g) it will not hold any Class Q-1 Securities for the benefit of any other person, it will at all times be the sole beneficial owner thereof for purposes of the Investment Company Act and all other purposes and it will not sell participation interests in the Class Q-1 Securities or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or distributions on the Class Q-1 Securities; (h) all Class Q-1 Securities (together with any other securities of the Co-Issuers) purchased and held directly or indirectly by it constitute in the aggregate an investment of no more than 40% of its assets or capital; and (i) it is a sophisticated investor and is purchasing the Class Q-1 Securities with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof, and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume those risks.

(iv) On each day from the date on which it acquires its interest in the Class Q-1 Securities through and including the date on which it disposes of its interest in such Class Q-1 Securities, (a) it is not, and is not acting on behalf of or using the assets of, a Plan; (b) if it is a governmental plan (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA), church plan (as defined in Section 3(33) of ERISA) or a non-US plan (as described in Section 4(b)(4) of ERISA), its purchase, holding and subsequent transfer of the Class Q-1 Securities will not result in a violation of any applicable laws, rules, regulations, policies and guidelines to which it and its investments are subject; and (c) it and any person causing it to acquire any Class Q-1 Securities agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, Co-Issuer, Portfolio Manager, Class E Certificates Paying Agent, Trustee, Collateral Administrator, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, Placement Agent and Initial Purchaser and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage or loss, liability, expense, claim, proceeding or excise tax incurred by them as a result of any of the foregoing representations being or becoming untrue. It understands that the Issuer may require any holder of the Class Q-1 Securities that has made a false representation with respect to the foregoing matters to sell the Class Q-1 Securities and, if such holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may sell such holder's interest in the Class Q-1 Securities. It understands that any transfer effected in connection with such a representation that was false will be of no force and effect, will be void *ab initio*, and will not operate to transfer any rights to the transferee, notwithstanding any instructions to the contrary to the Issuer, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent or any intermediary.

(v) It understands that this Indenture permits the Issuer to demand that any holder of a beneficial interest in Class Q-1 Securities in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security who is determined not to have acquired such beneficial interest in compliance with the requirements of Regulation S or who is a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) sell such beneficial interest (a) to a Person who is not a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) in a transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S or (b) to a Person who will take delivery of the holder's interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Securities or Regulation S Global Securities in the form of a Certificated Class Q-1 Security, who is both (i) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (ii) a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A of the Securities Act and, if the holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may cause the holder to sell its beneficial interest on such terms as the Issuer may choose.

(vi) It agrees to treat the Class Q-1 Security as a direct ownership interest in the different Classes of Securities corresponding to the components of the Class Q-1 Security. It acknowledges that it is its intent and that it understands it is the intent of the Issuer that, for purposes of U.S. federal income tax, state and local income and franchise tax and any other income

taxes, the Issuer will be treated as a corporation, the Notes will be treated as indebtedness of the Issuer and the Class E Certificates (including the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component) (in the absence of an administrative determination or judicial ruling to the contrary) will be treated as equity in the Issuer; it agrees to such treatment and agrees to take no action inconsistent with such treatment.

(vii) It acknowledges that the Issuer is not authorized to engage in activities that could cause it to constitute a finance or lending business for federal income tax purposes and agrees that it will report its investment in the Class Q-1 Securities in a manner consistent with such limitation, and in particular will not treat the Issuer as an “eligible controlled foreign corporation” for purposes of Section 954(h) of the Code or as deriving income described in Section 1297(b)(2) of the Code.

(viii) It is not purchasing the Class Q-1 Securities in order to reduce any United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan. In the case of a purchaser that is a bank (as defined in Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code) or an affiliate of such a bank, the purchaser (a) is acquiring the Class Q-1 Securities as a capital markets investment and will not for any purpose treat the assets of the Issuer as loans acquired in its banking business and (b) has not proposed or identified, and will not propose or identify, any security or loan for inclusion in the Collateral.

(ix) In the case of any purchaser that is not a United States person (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code), the purchaser is not a bank (as defined in Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code) or an affiliate of such a bank, unless the purchaser is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States.

(x) Such beneficial owner is aware that, except as otherwise provided in this Indenture, the Class Q-1 Securities being sold to it will be represented (a) initially, by one or more Temporary Regulation S Global Securities and (b) after the Exchange Date, by one or more Regulation S Global Securities, and that beneficial interests therein may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream.

(xi) A holder of a beneficial interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security must provide Euroclear or Clearstream or the participant organization through which it holds such interest, as applicable, with a certificate certifying that the beneficial owner of the interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Security is a non-U.S. person, and Euroclear or Clearstream, as applicable, must provide to the Trustee a certificate to such effect, prior to (a) the payment of interest or principal or other amounts with respect to such holder’s beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Security and (b) any exchange of such beneficial interest for a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Security and no payment will be made to the holder of any beneficial interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security unless such holder has provided Euroclear or Clearstream or such participant organization through which it holds such interest with such certificate.

(xii) It understands that any resale or other transfer of beneficial interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security to U.S. persons shall not be permitted.

(xiii) It acknowledges that no governmental agency has passed upon the Class Q-1 Securities or made any finding or determination as to the fairness of an investment in the Class Q-1 Securities.

(xiv) It acknowledges that certain persons or organizations will perform services on behalf of the Co-Issuers and will receive fees and/or compensation for performing such services as described in the Offering Memorandum and this Indenture and Class E Certificate Documents.

(xv) It acknowledges that the Class Q-1 Securities do not represent deposits with or other liabilities or obligations of, and are not guaranteed or endorsed by, the Placement Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective Affiliates or any entity related to any of them or any other holder of Class Q-1 Securities. It acknowledges that none of such persons will, in any way, be responsible for or stand behind the value or the performance of the Class Q-1 Securities. It acknowledges that purchase of Class Q-1 Securities involves investment risks including possible delay in payment of distributions and loss of income and principal invested.

(xvi) It understands that the Stated Maturity of the Class Q-1 Securities is subject to up to four extensions of four years each (to a latest possible date of November 1, 2033) without consent of any beneficial owners of Securities if certain conditions are satisfied.

(xvii) It understands that in the case of any amendment to this Indenture that requires consent of one or more holders of Class Q-1 Securities (or holders of any Class of Securities that constitutes a Class Q-1 Component thereof), this Indenture and Class E Certificate Documents permit the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase at the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, the Class Q-1 Securities (or the affected Component thereof) from any holder thereof that either (i) has declared in writing that it will not consent to such amendment or (ii) had not consented to such amendment by the last day on which consent could be given in accordance with the request therefor, and such holder will be required to sell its Class Q-1 Securities or the affected Component thereof (at the holder's option) to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price. In addition, in the case of any vote by holders of Class E Certificates to remove the Portfolio Manager without cause, the Class E Certificate Documents permit the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase at the Buy-Out Amount, the Class E Certificates represented by the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component from any holder that voted in favor of such removal, and in such case such holder's Class Q-1 Securities will be deemed exchanged into their Components and the resulting Class E Certificates sold to the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser at the applicable Buy-Out Amount.

(xviii) It understands that the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator and their respective counsel will rely upon the accuracy and truth of the foregoing representations, and it hereby consents to such reliance.

(m) Each initial purchaser and subsequent transferee who is purchasing an interest in a Class P Security represented by a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or a Regulation S Global Security will be deemed to have represented and agreed as follows:

(i) It is aware that the sale of Class P Securities to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Regulation S and understands that the Class P Securities

offered in reliance on Regulation S will bear the legend set forth in the applicable Class P Security. It and each beneficial owner of its Class P Securities is not, and will not be, a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act, and its purchase of the Class P Securities will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located. In addition, it represents and warrants that it will (i) provide notice to any subsequent transferee of the transfer restrictions provided in such legend and in this Indenture, (ii) hold and transfer its beneficial interest in any Class P Securities only in not less than the applicable minimum denomination; and (iii) provide the Issuer from time to time such information as it may reasonably request in order to ascertain compliance with this paragraph (i).

(ii) The Class P Securities are being purchased or transferred in accordance with the transfer restrictions set forth in this Indenture and pursuant to an exemption from Securities Act registration, and in accordance with applicable state securities laws or securities laws of any other relevant jurisdiction. It understands that the Class P Securities have been offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Class P Securities have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or the securities laws of any states, and, if in the future it decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Class P Securities, such Class P Securities may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with an exemption from registration under such laws and pursuant to the provisions of this Indenture and the legend on such Class P Securities. In particular, it understands that the Class P Securities may be transferred only (a) in the form of a Certificated Class P Certificate to a Qualified Purchaser that is a Qualified Institutional Buyer or (b) in the form of an interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security to a person that is not a "U.S. person" as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Purchasers and transferees who reside in certain states or jurisdictions may be subject to additional suitability standards and/or specific holding periods before the Class P Securities may be resold or otherwise transferred. It acknowledges that no representation is made as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or any state or other securities laws for resale of the Class P Securities.

(iii) In connection with the purchase of the Class P Securities: (a) it understands that none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent or any of their respective Affiliates is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for it; (b) it is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (in each case whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Trustee, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective Affiliates, agents and independent contractors in their capacities as such other than statements, if any, of such person in a current offering memorandum for the Class P Securities; (c) it has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisers to the extent it has deemed necessary and has made its own investment decisions based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisers as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective Affiliates, agents and independent contractors in their capacities as such; (d) its purchase of the Class P Securities will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located; (e) it is acquiring the Class P Securities as principal solely for its own account for investment and not with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act; (f) it has made investments prior to the date hereof and was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Class P Securities; (g) it

will not hold any Class P Securities for the benefit of any other person, it will at all times be the sole beneficial owner thereof for purposes of the Investment Company Act and all other purposes and it will not sell participation interests in the Class P Securities or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or distributions on the Class P Securities; (h) all Class P Securities (together with any other securities of the Co-Issuers) purchased and held directly or indirectly by it constitute in the aggregate an investment of no more than 40% of its assets or capital; and (i) it is a sophisticated investor and is purchasing the Class P Securities with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof, and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume those risks.

(iv) On each day from the date on which it acquires its interest in the Class P Securities through and including the date on which it disposes of its interest in such Class P Securities, (a) it is not, and is not acting on behalf of or using the assets of, a Plan; (b) if it is a governmental plan (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA), church plan (as defined in Section 3(33) of ERISA) or a non-US plan (as described in Section 4(b)(4) of ERISA), its purchase, holding and subsequent transfer of the Class P Securities will not result in a violation of any applicable laws, rules, regulations, policies and guidelines to which it and its investments are subject; and (c) it and any person causing it to acquire any Class P Securities agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, Co-Issuer, Portfolio Manager, Class E Certificates Paying Agent, Trustee, Collateral Administrator, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, Placement Agent and Initial Purchaser and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage or loss, liability, expense, claim, proceeding or excise tax incurred by them as a result of any of the foregoing representations being or becoming untrue. It understands that the representations made by it pursuant to this paragraph (iii) shall be deemed made on each day from the date made through and including the date on which it disposes of its interests in the Class P Securities. It understands that the Issuer may require any holder of the Class P Securities that has made a false representation with respect to the foregoing matters to sell the Class P Securities and, if such holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may sell such holder's interest in the Class P Securities. It understands that any transfer effected in connection with such a representation that was false will be of no force and effect, will be void *ab initio*, and will not operate to transfer any rights to the transferee, notwithstanding any instructions to the contrary to the Issuer, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent or any intermediary.

(v) It understands that this Indenture permits the Issuer to demand that any holder of a beneficial interest in Class P Securities in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security who is determined not to have acquired such beneficial interest in compliance with the requirements of Regulation S or who is a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) sell such beneficial interest (a) to a Person who is not a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) in a transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S or (b) to a Person who will take delivery of the holder's interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Securities or Regulation S Global Securities in the form of a Certificated Class P Certificate, who is both (i) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (ii) a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A of the Securities Act, and, if the holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may cause the holder to sell its beneficial interest on such terms as the Issuer may choose.

(vi) It agrees to treat the Class P Security as a direct ownership interest in the corresponding components of the Class P Security. It acknowledges that it is its intent and that it understands it is the intent of the Issuer that, for purposes of U.S. federal income tax, state and local income and franchise tax and any other income taxes, the Issuer will be treated as a corporation, the Notes will be treated as indebtedness of the Issuer and the Class E Certificates (in the absence of an

administrative determination or judicial ruling to the contrary) will be treated as equity in the Issuer; it agrees to such treatment and agrees to take no action inconsistent with such treatment.

(vii) It acknowledges that the Issuer is not authorized to engage in activities that could cause it to constitute a finance or lending business for federal income tax purposes and agrees that it will report its investment in the Class P Securities in a manner consistent with such limitation, and in particular will not treat the Issuer as an “eligible controlled foreign corporation” for purposes of Section 954(h) of the Code or as deriving income described in Section 1297(b)(2) of the Code.

(viii) It is not purchasing the Class P Securities in order to reduce any United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan. In the case of a purchaser that is a bank (as defined in Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code) or an affiliate of such a bank, the purchaser (a) is acquiring the Class P Securities as a capital markets investment and will not for any purpose treat the assets of the Issuer as loans acquired in its banking business and (b) has not proposed or identified, and will not propose or identify, any security or loan for inclusion in the Collateral.

(ix) In the case of any purchaser that is not a United States person (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code), the purchaser is not a bank (as defined in Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code) or an affiliate of such a bank, unless the purchaser is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States.

(x) Such beneficial owner is aware that, except as otherwise provided in this Indenture, the Class P Securities being sold to it will be represented (a) initially, by one or more Temporary Regulation S Global Securities and (b) after the Exchange Date, by one or more Regulation S Global Securities, and that beneficial interests therein may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream.

(xi) A holder of a beneficial interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security must provide Euroclear or Clearstream or the participant organization through which it holds such interest, as applicable, with a certificate certifying that the beneficial owner of the interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Security is a non-U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S), and Euroclear or Clearstream, as applicable, must provide to the Trustee a certificate to such effect, prior to (a) the payment of interest or principal or other amounts with respect to such holder’s beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Security and (b) any exchange of such beneficial interest for a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Security and no payment will be made to the holder of any beneficial interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note unless such holder has provided Euroclear or Clearstream or such participant organization through which it holds such interest with such certificate.

(xii) It understands that any resale or other transfer of beneficial interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security to U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S) shall not be permitted.

(xiii) It acknowledges that no governmental agency has passed upon the Class P Securities or made any finding or determination as to the fairness of an investment in the Class P Securities.

(xiv) It acknowledges that certain persons or organizations will perform services on behalf of the Co-Issuers and will receive fees and/or compensation for performing such services as described in the Offering Memorandum and this Indenture and Class E Certificate Documents.

(xv) It acknowledges that the Class P Securities do not represent deposits with or other liabilities or obligations of, and are not guaranteed or endorsed by, the Placement Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective Affiliates or any entity related to any of them or any other holder of Class P Securities. It acknowledges that none of such persons will, in any way, be responsible for or stand behind the value or the performance of the Class P Securities. It acknowledges that purchase of Class P Securities involves investment risks including possible delay in payment of distributions and loss of income and principal invested.

(xvi) It understands that the Stated Maturity of the Class P Securities is subject to up to four extensions of four years each (to a latest possible date of November 1, 2033) without consent of any beneficial owners of Securities if certain conditions are satisfied.

(xvii) It understands that in the case of any amendment to this Indenture that requires consent of one or more holders of Class P Securities, this Indenture and Class E Certificate Documents permit the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase at the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price the Class P Class E Certificate Component of Class P Securities from any holder thereof that either (i) has declared in writing that it will not consent to such amendment or (ii) had not consented to such amendment by the last day on which consent could be given in accordance with the request therefor, and such holder will be required to exchange its Class P Securities for the components thereof and sell the Class E Certificates represented by such Class E Certificate Component to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price. In addition, in the case of any vote by holders of Class P Securities to remove the Portfolio Manager without cause, the Class E Certificate Documents permit the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase at the Buy-Out Amount, the Class P Class E Certificate Component thereof from any holder that voted in favor of such removal, and such holder will be required to exchange its Class P Securities for the components thereof and sell the Class E Certificates represented by such Class E Certificate Component to the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser at the Buy-out Amount.

(xviii) It understands that the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator and their respective counsel will rely upon the accuracy and truth of the foregoing representations, and it hereby consents to such reliance.

(n) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Section 2.6 to the contrary:

(i) Restrictions on U.S. Transfers. Transfers of an interest in Notes in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or a Regulation S Global Security that are not made in an offshore transaction pursuant to Regulation S or are made to U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S), shall be limited to transfers made pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.6(g)(iii).

(ii) Beneficial interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security may only be held through Euroclear or Clearstream.

(o) Each person who becomes a beneficial owner of a Note evidenced by an interest in a Global Security, shall be deemed to make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in the applicable legends of the Notes set forth in Exhibit A1-N, A2-N or A3 hereto, as applicable, hereto upon such person's purchase or other acquisition of the relevant Global Security.

(p) The aggregate principal amount of any Global Security may be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee, as custodian for DTC for the Global Security, which adjustments shall be conclusive as to the aggregate principal amount of any Global Security.

(q) Any purported transfer of a Note not in accordance with this Section 2.6 shall be null and void and shall not be given effect for any purpose whatsoever.

**Section 2.7. Mutilated, Destroyed, Lost, or Stolen Notes.**

If the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, and the relevant Transfer Agent receive evidence to their satisfaction of the destruction, loss, or theft of any Indenture Security, and they receive the security or indemnity they require to hold each of them harmless, or if any mutilated Indenture Security is surrendered to a Transfer Agent, then, in the absence of notice to the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, or the Transfer Agent that the Indenture Security has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the Applicable Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in exchange for the mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Indenture Security, a replacement Indenture Security, of like tenor and equal principal amount.

If, after delivery of the replacement Indenture Security or payment on it, a protected purchaser of the predecessor Indenture Security presents it for payment, transfer, or exchange, the Applicable Issuers, the Transfer Agent, and the Trustee may recover the replacement Indenture Security (or the payment on it) from the person to whom it was delivered or any person taking the replacement Indenture Security from the person to whom the replacement Indenture Security was delivered or any assignee of that person, except a protected purchaser, and may recover on the security or indemnity provided therefor to the extent of any loss, damage, cost, or expense incurred by the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, and the Transfer Agent in connection with it.

If any mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Indenture Security has become payable, the Applicable Issuers in their discretion may, instead of issuing a new Indenture Security pay the Indenture Security without requiring its surrender except that any mutilated Indenture Security shall be surrendered.

Upon the issuance of any new Indenture Security under this Section 2.7, the Applicable Issuers or the Trustee may require the payment by its holder of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with the issuance and any other expenses (including the fees and expenses of the Trustee) connected with it.

Every new Indenture Security issued pursuant to this Section 2.7 in replacement for any mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Indenture Security shall be an original additional contractual obligation of the Applicable Issuers and the new Indenture Security shall be entitled to all the benefits of this Indenture equally and proportionately with all other Indenture Securities of the same Class duly issued under this Indenture.

The provisions of this Section 2.7 are exclusive and shall preclude (to the extent lawful) all other rights with respect to the replacement or payment of mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Indenture Securities.



Section 2.8. Payment of Principal and Interest and Other Amounts; Principal and Interest Rights Preserved; Withholding.

(a) The Notes of each Class (other than the Class A-1A Notes and, with respect to the first Interest Period only, the Class A-1B Notes) shall accrue interest during each Interest Period on their Aggregate Outstanding Amount (in each case determined as of the first day of the Interest Period and after giving effect to any redemption or other payment of principal occurring on that day), the Class A-1A Notes shall accrue interest during each Interest Period on their Drawn Amount and the Class A-1B Notes shall accrue interest during the first Interest Period on their Drawn Amount and any Interest Period thereafter on their Aggregate Outstanding Amount (determined as of the first day of the Interest Period and after giving effect to any redemption or other payment of principal occurring on that day), in each case at the Applicable Note Interest Rate. Interest shall be payable in arrears on each Payment Date. Payment of interest on each Class of Notes shall be subordinated to the payments of interest on the related Priority Classes and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Commitment Fee on the Class A-1A Notes shall accrue as specified in the definition thereof and will be payable in arrears on each Payment Date. Interest shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for the Class A-1A Notes on the accrued and unpaid Commitment Fees as specified in the definition of Commitment Fee Amount and shall be payable in arrears on each Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Delayed Drawdown Fee on the Class A-1B Notes shall accrue as specified in the definition thereof and will be payable in arrears on the first Payment Date. To the extent the Delayed Drawdown Fee is not paid in full on the first Payment Date, interest shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for the Class A-1B Notes on such accrued and unpaid Delayed Drawdown Fee as specified in the definition thereof and such unpaid Delayed Drawdown Fee and the interest thereon shall be payable in arrears on each Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments until paid in full.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of interest due on the Class of Deferred Interest Notes that is not available to be paid ("Deferred Interest") in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered "payable" for the purposes of this Indenture (and the failure to pay such interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the earlier of (i) the Stated Maturity or the date of redemption in full of the relevant Notes and (ii) the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for payment of such interest in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Interest shall cease to accrue on each Note, or in the case of a partial repayment, on the part repaid, from the date of repayment or its Stated Maturity unless payment of principal is improperly withheld or unless there is some other default with respect to the payments of principal.

To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for such Class and, to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest, until paid as provided in this Indenture.

(b) The principal of each Note of each Class (other than the Class A-1A Notes) and in the case of the Class A-1A Notes, the Drawn Amount, matures at par and is payable on the Payment Date that is the Stated Maturity for the Class of Notes, unless the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable at an earlier date by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise (or, with respect to the Class A-1A Notes, as a Prepayment in accordance with the provisions of this Indenture). Notwithstanding the foregoing, the payment of principal of each Class of Notes:

(i) may only occur after principal on each Class of Notes that is a Priority Class with respect to the Class has been paid in full; and

(ii) is subordinated to the payment on each Payment Date of the principal and interest payable on the Priority Classes, and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments;

provided that, notwithstanding the foregoing, Interest Proceeds may be used in certain circumstances to pay principal of the Class C Notes on any Payment Date, prior to the payment in full of Class A Notes and Class B Notes, to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class C Coverage Tests.

(c) Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Section 9.1.

(d) As a condition to the payment of principal of and interest on any Indenture Security without the imposition of U.S. withholding tax, the Paying Agent shall require the previous delivery of appropriate properly completed and signed original forms United States federal income tax certifications (generally, an Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a person that is a “United States person” within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code or an appropriate Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a person that is not a “United States person” within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) or any other certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, and any Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments on the Indenture Security under any present or future law of the United States or any present or future law of any political subdivision of the United States or taxing authority in the United States or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under any such law.

(e) (A) Payments in respect of interest on and principal of any Note (including the Class Q-1 Note Component) shall be made by the Trustee, or by the Irish Paying and Listing Agent, if applicable, in U.S. Dollars to the Depositary or its designee with respect to a Global Security, by wire transfer, as directed by the Holder, in immediately available funds to a U.S. Dollar account maintained by the Depositary. Payments in respect of distributions on any Class E Certificate (including Class E Certificates represented by the Class E Certificate Components) payable to the Class E Certificates Paying Agent in accordance with the Priority of Payments for payments on the Class E Certificates in accordance with the Class E Certificate Documents shall be payable by wire transfer in immediately available funds (or by internal transfer if the Trustee and the Class E Certificates Paying Agent are the same Person) to the Class E Certificates Distribution Account.

(B) On each Payment Date on which payments, whether from Principal Proceeds or Interest Proceeds or upon redemption or otherwise are made on the Class C Notes or distributions are made to the Holders of the Class E Certificates, a portion of such payment and distributions shall be allocated to the Class Q-1 Security (to the extent of the Class Q-1 Note Component and the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component) or, in the case of distributions on the Class E Certificates only, allocated to the Class P-1 Securities (to the extent of the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component) and the Class P-2 Securities (to the extent of the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component) in the proportion that the principal of such Component bears to the principal of the related Class C Notes or Class E Certificates, as applicable, as a whole (in each case including the Components), and, in accordance with the other conditions set forth for payments on the Notes and distributions on the Class E Certificates pursuant to this Indenture, as applicable. No other payments will be made on the Class Q-1 Securities or Class P Securities (except, with respect to the Class P Securities, payments made in connection with Section 11.2). Such payments on the Class Q-1 Securities or Class P Securities shall be made by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a U.S. dollar account maintained by the related Holder or its nominee or, if wire transfer cannot be effected, by a U.S. dollar check sent to such Holder, at such Holder’s address appearing in the

applicable Indenture Register, or its nominee. Final payments in respect of principal on the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities shall be made only against surrender of such Class Q-1 Securities and Class P Securities at the office designated by any Paying Agent.

If appropriate instructions for the wire transfer are not received by the related Record Date, then the payment will be made by check drawn on a U.S. bank mailed to the address of the Holder in the Indenture Register. Upon final payment due on the Maturity of an Indenture Security, its Holder shall present and surrender the Indenture Security at the office designated by the Trustee on or before the Maturity; provided that no presentation of (x) a Class Q-1 Security shall be required until the final payment of the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component thereof and (y) a Class P-1 Security or Class P-2 Security shall be required until the later of the final payment of the Class E Certificate Component thereof and the final payment of the Class P U.S. Treasury Component thereof. If the Trustee and the Applicable Issuers have been furnished the security or indemnity they require to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the certificate, then, in the absence of notice to the Applicable Issuers or the Trustee that the applicable Indenture Security has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender. Neither the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Class E Certificates Registrar, nor any Paying Agent shall have any responsibility or liability for any aspects of the records maintained by the Depository, Euroclear, Clearstream, or any of the Agent Members relating to or for payments made thereby on account of beneficial interests in a Global Security.

In the case where any final payment of principal and interest is to be made on any Note (other than on its Stated Maturity and except as otherwise provided in this Indenture), the Trustee, in the name and at the expense of the Applicable Issuers shall, not more than 30 nor less than 10 days before the date on which the payment is to be made, mail (by first-class mail, postage prepaid) to the persons entitled thereto at their addresses appearing on the Indenture Register, a notice specifying the date on which the payment will be made, the amount of the payment per U.S.\$100,000 original principal amount of Notes and the place where the Notes may be presented and surrendered for payment. If the Trustee and the Issuer have been furnished any security or indemnity they require to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the certificate, then, in the absence of notice to the Issuer or the Trustee that the applicable certificate has been acquired by a protected purchaser, final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender of the applicable certificate.

(f) Payments of principal to Holders of the Notes of each Class shall be made in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes of the Class registered in the name of each Holder on the applicable Record Date bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Notes of the Class on the Record Date. Prepayments to Holders of Class A-1A Notes shall be made in the proportion that the portion of the Drawn Amount in respect of the Class A-1A Note registered on the Record Date for such Prepayment Date bears to the aggregate Drawn Amount of the Class A-1A Notes on such date.

(g) Interest accrued shall be calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in the applicable Interest Period divided by 360.

(h) All reductions in the principal amount of a Note (or one or more predecessor Notes) effected by payments of installments of principal made on any Payment Date or Redemption Date shall be binding on all future Holders of the Note and of any Note issued upon the registration of its transfer, exchange, or replacement, whether or not the payment is noted on such Note.

(i) (A) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, (x) the obligations of the Co-Issuers under the Notes and under this Indenture are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer and non-recourse obligations of the Co-Issuer, and the obligations of the Issuer under the Class Q-1

Securities (to the extent of the Class Q-1 Note Component) are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer, in each case payable solely from the Collateral and following realization of the assets, application of their proceeds in accordance with this Indenture and the reduction of the proceeds of the Collateral to zero, all obligations of, and any claims against, the Co-Issuers under this Indenture or under the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities or arising in connection therewith shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. No recourse shall be had against any Officer, director, employee, shareholder, or incorporator of either of the Co-Issuers or their respective successors or assigns for any amounts payable under the Notes or this Indenture. The foregoing provisions of this paragraph (i) shall not (1) prevent recourse to the Collateral for the sums due or to become due under any security, instrument, or agreement that is part of the Collateral or (2) be a waiver, release, or discharge of any indebtedness or obligation evidenced by the Notes or Class Q-1 Securities or secured by this Indenture until the Collateral have been realized. The foregoing provisions of this paragraph (i) shall not limit the right of any person to name the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as a party defendant in any Proceeding or in the exercise of any other remedy under the Indenture Securities or this Indenture, so long as no judgment in the nature of a deficiency judgment or seeking personal liability is sought or (if obtained) enforced against the person.

(B) The obligations of the Issuer under the Class P-1 Securities (other than in respect of the Class P Class E Certificate Component thereof) are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer payable solely from the Class P-1 Collateral in accordance with the terms of this Indenture. Once the Class P-1 Collateral has been realized and applied in accordance with Section 11.2, any such outstanding obligations of the Issuer shall be extinguished. No recourse shall be had for the payment of any amount owing in respect of the Class P-1 Securities or this Indenture against any officer, director, employee, administrator, shareholder or incorporator of the Issuer or any successors or assigns thereof for any amounts payable under the Class P-1 Securities or this Indenture. It is understood that the foregoing provisions of this clause (B) shall not (x) prevent recourse to the Class P-1 Collateral for the sums due or to become due under any security, instrument or agreement which is part of the Class P-1 Collateral, or (y) constitute a waiver, release or discharge of any indebtedness or obligation evidenced by the Class P-1 Securities or secured by this Indenture, and the same shall continue until paid or discharged. It is further understood that the foregoing provisions of this clause (B) shall not limit the right of any Person to name the Issuer as a party defendant in any action or suit or in the exercise of any other remedy under the Class P-1 Securities or this Indenture, so long as no judgment in the nature of a deficiency judgment or seeking personal liability shall be asked for or (if obtained) enforced against any such Person or entity.

(C) The obligations of the Issuer under the Class P-2 Securities (other than with respect to the Class P Class E Certificate Component thereof) are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer payable solely from the Class P-2 Collateral in accordance with the terms of this Indenture. Once the Class P-2 Collateral has been realized and applied in accordance with Section 11.2, any such outstanding obligations of the Issuer shall be extinguished. No recourse shall be had for the payment of any amount owing in respect of the Class P-2 Securities or this Indenture against any officer, director, employee, administrator, shareholder or incorporator of the Issuer or any successors or assigns thereof for any amounts payable under the Class P-2 Securities or this Indenture. It is understood that the foregoing provisions of this clause (B) shall not (x) prevent recourse to the Class P-2 Collateral for the sums due or to become due under any security, instrument or agreement which is part of the Class P-2 Collateral, or (y) constitute a waiver, release or discharge of any indebtedness or obligation evidenced by the Class P-2 Securities or secured by this Indenture, and the same shall continue until paid or discharged. It is further understood that the foregoing provisions of this clause (B) shall not limit the right of any Person to name the Issuer as a party defendant in any action or suit or in the exercise of any other remedy under the Class P-2 Securities or this Indenture, so long as no judgment in the nature of a deficiency judgment or seeking personal liability shall be asked for or (if obtained) enforced against any such Person or entity.

(j) If any withholding tax is imposed on the Issuer's payment (or allocations of income) under the Notes to any Noteholder, the tax shall reduce the amount otherwise distributable to the Noteholder. The Trustee is hereby authorized and directed to retain from amounts otherwise distributable to any Noteholder sufficient funds for the payment of any tax that is legally owed, or required by law to be collected, by or on behalf of the Issuer (but the authorization shall not prevent the Trustee or the Issuer from contesting any such tax in appropriate proceedings and withholding payment of the tax, if permitted by law, pending the outcome of the proceedings). The amount of any withholding tax imposed with respect to any Noteholder shall be treated as Cash distributed to the Noteholder when it is withheld by the Trustee and remitted to the appropriate taxing authority. If there is a possibility that withholding tax is payable with respect to a distribution, the Trustee may in its sole discretion withhold the amounts in accordance with this Section 2.8(j). If any Noteholder wishes to apply for a refund of any such withholding tax, the Trustee shall reasonably cooperate with the Noteholder in making the claim by providing information readily available to the Trustee so long as the Noteholder agrees to reimburse the Trustee for any out-of-pocket expenses incurred and provides the Trustee with security reasonably acceptable to the Trustee assuring the reimbursement. The Trustee hereby provides notice to each Noteholder that the failure by the Noteholder to provide the Trustee with appropriate tax certifications may result in amounts being withheld from payments to the Noteholder. Nothing in this Indenture shall impose an obligation on the part of the Trustee to determine the amount of any tax or withholding obligation on the part of the Issuer or in respect of the Notes.

(k) For so long as any of the Indenture Securities are listed on any stock exchange, to the extent required by the rules of such stock exchange, either of the Issuer or the Trustee shall notify the applicable listing agent (for forwarding such notice to the applicable stock exchange, if and to the extent such notification is then required by the rules of such stock exchange) in the event that the Notes do not receive scheduled payments of principal or interest on any Payment Date or the Maturity Date.

#### Section 2.9. Persons Considered Owners.

(a) The Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, and any agent of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee may treat as the owner of the Indenture Security the person in whose name any Indenture Security is registered on the Indenture Register on the applicable Record Date for the purpose of receiving payments of principal of and interest on or any other payment with respect to the Indenture Security and on any other date for all other purposes whatsoever (whether or not the Indenture Security is overdue), and neither the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, nor the Trustee nor any agent of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the Trustee shall be affected by notice to the contrary. The Portfolio Manager shall notify the Trustee of any Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager that owns Indenture Securities or Class E Certificates.

(b) The Holders of Class Q-1 Securities shall be entitled to voting rights of the Class C Notes and the Class E Certificates represented by the Class Q-1 Note Component and the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component, respectively, in the proportion that such Class Q-1 Component bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes (in the case of the Class Q-1 Note Component) or to the aggregate number of Class E Certificates (in the case of the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component), in each case including the related Components. The Holders of Class Q-1 Securities shall not be entitled to any rights to vote as separate Classes except with respect to matters that only affect Holders of Class Q-1 Securities and as expressly permitted by this Indenture.

(c) The Class P Securityholders shall be entitled to voting rights in the Class E Certificates relating to the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component or the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component, as applicable, in the proportion that such Class P Class E Certificate Component bears to the aggregate number of Class E Certificates (including the Class E Certificate Components). The Class P

Securityholders shall not be entitled to any rights to vote as separate Classes except with respect to matters that only affect the Class P Securityholders and as expressly permitted by this Indenture.

Section 2.10. Cancellation.

All Indenture Securities surrendered for payment, registration of transfer, exchange, or redemption, or lost or stolen, shall be promptly canceled by the Trustee and may not be reissued or resold. No Indenture Securities shall be authenticated in lieu of or in exchange for any Indenture Securities canceled as provided in this Section 2.10, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture. All canceled Indenture Securities held by the Trustee shall be destroyed by the Trustee in accordance with its standard policy unless the Co-Issuers direct by an Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee prior to cancellation and destruction that they be returned to the Issuer.

Section 2.11. Indenture Securities Beneficially Owned by Non-Permitted Holders and Non-Permitted ERISA Holders.

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary elsewhere in this Indenture, any transfer of, or transfer of a beneficial interest in, any Indenture Security to (i) a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) (for purposes of this Section 2.11 as defined in Regulation S) that is not a QIB/QP and (ii) a non-U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) which transfer that does not comply with the requirements of Regulation S under the Securities Act, and that is not in each case made pursuant to an applicable exemption under the Securities Act, shall be void *ab initio* and any such purported transfer of which the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the Trustee has notice may be disregarded by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, and the Trustee for all purposes.

(b) After discovery by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the Trustee (and notice by the Trustee or the Co-Issuer to the Issuer, if either of them makes the discovery), that a person is a Non-Permitted Holder, the Issuer shall promptly send notice to the Non-Permitted Holder demanding that the Non-Permitted Holder transfer its interest to a person that is not a Non-Permitted Holder within 30 days of the date of the notice. If the Non-Permitted Holder fails to so transfer its Indenture Securities or interest in the Indenture Securities, without further notice to the Non-Permitted Holder, the Issuer may sell the Indenture Securities or interest in the Indenture Securities to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is not a Non-Permitted Holder on any terms the Issuer chooses. The Issuer, or the Trustee acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting bids (or by appointing an investment bank at the expense of the Issuer to solicit bids) from brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Indenture Securities, and selling the Indenture Securities, or interest in the Indenture Securities to the highest bidder. However, the Issuer or the Trustee may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Indenture Security, the beneficial owner of each interest in a Indenture Security, the Non-Permitted Holder, and each other person in the chain of title from the Holder or beneficial owner to the Non-Permitted Holder, by its acceptance of an interest in the Indenture Securities agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Trustee to effect the transfers. The proceeds of the sale, net of any commissions, expenses of the Trustee or otherwise, and taxes due in connection with the sale shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted Holder. The terms of any sale under this subsection shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer (or the Trustee acting on its behalf), and the Issuer and the Trustee shall not be liable to any person having an interest in the Notes sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of its discretion.

(c) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, no purchase by or proposed transfer to any Person of ERISA Restricted Indenture Securities will be permitted if such Person has represented that it is, or is acting on behalf of or using the assets of, a Plan, and the Trustee shall not register or permit the registration of any such purchase or transfer.

(d) If any Person shall become the beneficial owner of an interest in any ERISA Restricted Indenture Securities who has made an ERISA-related representation required by this Indenture that is subsequently shown to be false or misleading (any such person a “Non-Permitted ERISA Holder”), the Issuer shall, promptly after discovery that such person is a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder by the Issuer or the Trustee (and notice by the Trustee to the Issuer, if either of them makes the discovery), send notice to such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder demanding that such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder transfer all of the ERISA Restricted Indenture Securities held by such Person to a Person that is not a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder within 30 days of the date of such notice. If such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder fails to so transfer such ERISA Restricted Indenture Securities the Issuer shall have the right, without further notice to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder, to sell such ERISA Restricted Indenture Securities or interest in such ERISA Restricted Indenture Securities to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is not a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder on such terms as the Issuer may choose. The Holder of each ERISA Restricted Indenture Security, the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder, by its acceptance of an interest in the ERISA Restricted Indenture Securities agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Trustee to effect such transfers. The proceeds of such sale, net of any commissions, expenses and taxes due in connection with such sale shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder. The terms and conditions of any sale under this subsection shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer, and the Issuer shall not be liable to any Person having an interest in the ERISA Restricted Indenture Securities sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of such discretion.

#### Section 2.12. Borrowings Under Class A-1A Notes

(a) On any Business Day during the Draw Period, the Co-Issuers may borrow amounts under the Class A-1A Notes (together with amounts, if any, paid by Holders of Class A-1A Notes on the Closing Date and amounts, if any, funded by the Holders of the Class A-1A Notes under Section 2.3 of the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement, each a “Borrowing”) at the direction of the Portfolio Manager acting pursuant to the Management Agreement for a Permitted Use; provided, in each case that (i) each applicable condition to such Borrowing specified in Section 3 of the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement is satisfied on the date of such Borrowing (a “Borrowing Date”), (ii) in no event may the aggregate amount of Borrowings outstanding under the Class A-1A Notes exceed the aggregate amount of Commitments to make advances in respect of the Class A-1A Notes; and (iii) after giving effect to the Borrowing, the amount on reserve in the Revolving Reserve Account will either (x) equal 100% of the Revolver Funding Reserve Amount or (y) the Issuer will deposit therein Principal Proceeds and/or proceeds of the Borrowing in the amount required for clause (x) to be satisfied immediately after the Borrowing.

(b) Notice of any Borrowing shall be given by the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer acting pursuant to the Management Agreement) to the Revolving Note Agent, the Portfolio Manager and the Trustee in accordance with the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement.

(c) If any Holder of Class A-1A Notes shall at any time during the Draw Period fails to satisfy the Rating Criteria, the Issuer will enforce its rights under the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement to require such Holder to fund the full undrawn amount of its Commitment into a reserve account.

#### Section 2.13. Drawdowns Under Class A-1B Notes

(a) On any Business Day during the Delayed Drawdown Period, the Co-Issuers may draw down amounts under the Class A-1B Notes (together with amounts paid by Holders of Class A-1B Notes on the Closing Date, each a “Drawdown”) at the direction of the Portfolio Manager acting pursuant to the

Management Agreement; provided, in each case that (i) each applicable condition to such Drawdown specified in Section 3 of the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement is satisfied on the date of such Drawdown (a “Drawdown Date”) and (ii) in no event may the aggregate amount of Drawdowns outstanding under the Class A-1B Notes exceed the Fully Drawn Amount.

(b) Notice of any Drawdown shall be given by the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer acting pursuant to the Management Agreement) to the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Portfolio Manager and the Trustee in accordance with the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement.

(c) If any Holder of Class A-1B Notes shall at any time during the Delayed Drawdown Period fail to satisfy the Rating Criteria, the Issuer will enforce its rights under the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement to require such Holder to fund the full undrawn amount of its Commitment into a reserve account.

#### Section 2.14. Class Q-1 Securities

The provisions of this Section 2.14 shall apply only to the Class Q-1 Securities and shall override any contrary or inconsistent provisions of this Indenture. Subject to the foregoing sentence, the other provisions of Article 2 shall apply to the Class Q-1 Securities to the same extent as to the Notes.

(a) No transfer of a Class Q-1 Security will be permitted to a person that would not be permitted to acquire the Class C Notes and Class E Certificates comprising the Class Q-1 Components of the Class Q-1 Security under this Indenture.

Transfers of Class Q-1 Securities or interests therein may only be made as set forth in this subsection. As used in this subsection, “U.S. person” has the meaning set forth in Regulation S.

(i) Certificated Class Q-1 Security to Certificated Class Q-1 Security. Each purchaser or transferee of a Certificated Class Q-1 Security will be required to provide to the Trustee a properly completed certificate in the form of Exhibit B5-1 (with appropriate modifications acceptable to the Issuer and the Trustee, including in the case of a transfer that is a mortgage, charge, pledge or hypothecation) (a “Class Q-1 Transferee Certificate”) in which it shall represent, warrant and agree as set forth therein. If a Holder of a Certificated Class Q-1 Security wishes at any time to transfer such Certificated Class Q-1 Security to a U.S. person, such Person shall take delivery thereof in the form of a Certificated Class Q-1 Security. In such case such Holder may transfer or cause the transfer of such Certificated Class Q-1 Security as follows: Upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of (A) such Holder’s Certificated Class Q-1 Security properly endorsed for assignment to the transferee and (B) a properly completed Class Q-1 Transferee Certificate by the transferee, and any other documentation as may be required thereunder, the Trustee will cancel such Certificated Class Q-1 Security in accordance with this Indenture, cause the Indenture Registrar to record the transfer in the Indenture Register and, upon execution by the Issuer, deliver to the transferee one or more Certificated Class Q-1 Securities in the aggregate stated amount transferred and in the Authorized Class Q-1 Denomination.

(ii) Class Q-1 Security in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security to Certificated Class Q-1 Security. An interest in a Class Q-1 Security in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or a Regulation S Global Security may be transferred only to (a) another person that is not a U.S. person who takes delivery in the form of or interest in Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security or (b) a U.S. person who takes delivery in the form of a Certificated Class Q-1 Security and is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser. If a holder



of a beneficial interest in a Class Q-1 Security in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security wishes at any time to transfer its interest in such Security, in the United States or to a U.S. person, the transferee must take delivery thereof in the form of a Certificated Class Q-1 Security. Such Holder may, subject to the rules and procedures of the Depositary, transfer or cause the transfer of such interest for an equivalent interest in one or more such Certificated Class Q-1 Securities as described below. Upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of (A) instructions given in accordance with the Applicable Procedures from a Participant, directing the Indenture Registrar to deliver one or more such Certificated Class Q-1 Securities designating the registered name or names, address, payment instructions, and the number and stated amount (and Aggregate Principal Amount of the related Class Q-1 Components) of such Certificated Class Q-1 Securities to be executed and delivered (the aggregate stated amount of such Certificated Class Q-1 Securities being equal to the aggregate stated amount of the interest in the related Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security to be transferred), in an Authorized Class Q-1 Denomination and (B) a properly completed transfer certificate in the form of Exhibit B5-1 and any other documentation as may be required thereunder, then the Indenture Registrar will instruct the Depositary to reduce, or cause to be reduced, the applicable Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security by the aggregate stated amount of the beneficial interest in such Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security to be transferred and the Indenture Registrar shall record the transfer in the Indenture Register and authenticate and deliver one or more Certificated Class Q-1 Securities, registered in the names specified in the certificate described in clause (B) above in the stated amount designated by the transferee (the aggregate of such stated amount being equal to the beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security to be transferred) and in the applicable Authorized Class Q-1 Denomination. Any purported transfer in violation of this provision shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(iii) Certificated Class Q-1 Security to Class Q-1 Security in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security. If a Holder of a Certificated Class Q-1 Security wishes at any time to transfer such Certificated Class Q-1 Security to a person that is not a U.S. person in an offshore transaction in reliance on Regulation S, such Person shall take delivery thereof in the form of an interest in the corresponding Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security. In such case such Holder may exchange or transfer, or cause the exchange or transfer of, such Certificated Class Q-1 Security for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security, provided, that such proposed transferee or the person requesting such exchange, as applicable, is not a U.S. person and such transfer is otherwise being made pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S. Upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of (A) such Certificated Class Q-1 Security properly endorsed for such transfer, and written instructions from such Holder directing the Indenture Registrar to cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security in an amount equal to the stated amount transferred of such Certificated Class Q-1 Security, (B) a written order containing information regarding the Euroclear or Clearstream account to be credited with such increase and (C) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B5-2 attached hereto, given by the Holder of such Certificated Class Q-1 Security stating that the exchange or transfer of such interest has been made in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security, including that the proposed transferee or the person requesting such exchange, as the case may be, is not a U.S. person and that the proposed transfer is being made pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S, then the Indenture Registrar shall cancel such Certificated Class Q-1 Security in accordance with Section 2.10 record the transfer in the Indenture Register in

accordance with Section 2.6(a) and instruct DTC to increase the stated amount of the Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security by the aggregate stated amount of the Certificated Class Q-1 Security to be transferred, and to credit or cause to be credited to the account of the Person specified in such instructions a beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security equal to the amount specified in the instructions received pursuant to clause (A) above. Notwithstanding anything else in this Section 2.14(a)(iii), prior to the Exchange Date a Certificated Class Q-1 Security may only be exchanged or transferred for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Temporary Regulation S Global Security.

(iv) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, no purchase or proposed transfer of Class Q-1 Securities will be permitted, and the Trustee shall not register or permit the registration of any such purchase or transfer, to a Person that has represented that it is a Plan. Any purported transfer in violation of this provision shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(b) Except as otherwise provided herein, the rights and obligations of Holders of the Class Q-1 Securities shall consist solely of the rights and obligations of Holders of the applicable Class Q-1 Components. References herein to the rights and obligations of the Holders of Class C Notes or Class E Certificates include the rights and obligations of the Holders of Class Q-1 Securities to the extent of the applicable Class Q-1 Components.

(c) A Holder or beneficial owner of a Class Q-1 Security may exchange, subject to the applicable minimum denomination requirements, Class Q-1 Securities for interests in the Class C Notes (in an amount equal to the Class Q-1 Note Component) and Class E Certificates (in an amount equal to the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component), as applicable, that comprise the Class Q-1 Components of such Class Q-1 Securities, in the manner provided herein, in the case of the Class Q-1 Note Component, for transfer of beneficial interests to a Rule 144A Global Security, Regulation S Global Security or Temporary Regulation S Global Security, as applicable, and in the case of the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component, in the manner provided in the Class E Certificate Documents for transfer of a Certificated Class E Certificate or an interest in a Class E Certificate in the form of a Regulation S Global Security or Temporary Regulation S Global Security, as applicable:

(i) In the case of the exchange by a beneficial owner of an interest in Class Q-1 Securities in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or a Regulation S Global Security, upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent of instructions given in accordance with the Applicable Procedures from a Participant, directing the Indenture Registrar (with respect to the Class Q-1 Note Component to be exchanged) and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent (with respect to the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component to be exchanged) to cause to be credited (to the same Euroclear or Clearstream Account to which the interest in the Class Q-1 Security to be exchanged was credited), (x) a beneficial interest in the Class C Notes in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security, as applicable, in an amount equal to the aggregate principal amount of the Class Q-1 Note Component being exchanged, and (y) a beneficial interest in the Class E Certificates in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security, as applicable, in an amount equal to the aggregate Face Amount of the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component being exchanged, the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository to reduce, or cause to be reduced, the Class Q-1 Security in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security, as applicable, by the aggregate stated amount of the beneficial interest in such Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security to be exchanged and increase the aggregate principal amount of the Class C Notes in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security, as

applicable, by an amounts equal to the Class P-1 Note Component to be exchanged, and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall instruct DTC to increase the aggregate Face Amount of the Class E Certificates in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security, as applicable, by an amount equal to the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component being exchanged, and in each case credit such increases as instructed;

(ii) In the case of the exchange by a Holder of Certificated Class Q-1 Securities, upon receipt by (x) the Indenture Registrar of the Certificated Class Q-1 Security surrendered for exchange and written instructions from such Holder directing the Indenture Registrar to cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the Class C Notes in the form of a Rule 144A Global Security, in an amount equal to the aggregate principal amount of the Class Q-1 Note Component being exchanged, including a written order containing information regarding the account to be credited with such interest in the Class C Notes and (y) written instructions from such Holder, directing the Class E Certificate Paying Agent to cause to be issued to such Holder a Certificated Class E Certificate in an aggregate Face Amount equal to the aggregate Face Amount of the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component being exchanged, the Trustee shall cancel such Certificated Class Q-1 Security in accordance with this Indenture and cause the Indenture Registrar to record the exchange in the Indenture Register, the Indenture Registrar shall instruct DTC to increase the aggregate principal amount of the Class C Notes in the form of a 144A Global Security by the applicable amount and credit such increase as instructed and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall direct the Class E Certificate Registrar to effect the exchange in accordance with the Class E Certificate Documents by making all necessary entries, if any, in the Register of Members, and shall deliver the Certificated Class E Certificate in a Face Amount equal to the Class Q-1 Class E Certificate Component being exchanged.

(iii) After any such exchange, the Holder of or Beneficial Owner of and interest in the Class Q-1 Security so exchanged will be the Holder of or Beneficial Owner of an interest in, as applicable, the Class C Notes and the Class E Certificates received upon such an exchange. No Holder of or Beneficial Owner of interests in the Class C Notes or Class E Certificates (including following such an exchange) will be entitled to exchange such Class C Notes and Class E Certificates for a Class Q-1 Security. No service charge shall be made for any such exchange of Class Q-1 Securities, but the Issuer or the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with such exchange. Each Holder and Beneficial Owner of a Class Q-1 Security, by its acceptance thereof, acknowledges that upon any such exchange, the rating of such Class Q-1 Security by any Rating Agency will not apply to the Securities received in such exchange. Upon the exchange of all outstanding Class Q-1 Securities pursuant to this provision, the Issuer will notify each Rating Agency then rating the Class Q-1 Securities.

(d) Each Holder of a Class Q-1 Security, by its acquisition thereof, acknowledges that the rating of the Class Q-1 Securities by Moody's addresses solely the return of the Class Q-1 Rated Principal.

(e) The Class E Components of Class Q-1 Securities that constitute Directing Class E Certificates (as defined in the Management Agreement) shall be subject to purchase under the terms and conditions set forth in Section 12(c) of the Management Agreement. If the Portfolio Manager or other applicable purchaser under such provisions (the "Removal Buy-Out Purchaser") elects to make such purchase, the Class Q-1 Securities that include such Class E Components shall be deemed exchanged for their respective components, the Class E Certificates represented by such Class E Components shall be so purchased and the applicable Buy-Out Amount shall be distributed to the Holders of such Class Q-1 Securities, and such Holders will receive in accordance with the provisions hereof the Class C Notes represented by the Class Q-1 Note Component of their Class Q-1 Securities.

Section 2.15. Class P Securities

The provisions of this Section 2.15 shall apply only to the Class P Securities and shall override any contrary or inconsistent provisions of this Indenture. Subject to the foregoing sentence, the other provisions of Article 2 shall apply to the Class P Securities to the same extent as the Notes.

(a) No transfer of a Class P Security will be permitted to a person that would not be permitted to acquire Class E Certificates comprising the Class P Class E Certificate Component under the Class E Certificate Documents and this Indenture. Transfers of Class P Securities or interests therein may only be made as set forth in this subsection. As used in this subsection, “U.S. person” has the meaning set forth in Regulation S.

(i) Certificated Class P Security to Certificated Class P Security. Each purchaser or transferee of a Certificated Class P Security will be required to provide to the Trustee a properly completed certificate in the form of Exhibit B6-1 (with appropriate modifications acceptable to the Issuer and the Trustee, including in the case of a transfer that is a mortgage, charge, pledge or hypothecation) (a “Class P Transferee Certificate”) in which it shall represent, warrant and agree as set forth therein. If a Holder of a Certificated Class P Security wishes at any time to transfer such Certificated Class P Security to a U.S. person, such Person shall take delivery thereof in the form of a Certificated Class P Security. In such case such Holder may transfer or cause the transfer of such Certificated Class P Security as follows: Upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of (A) such Holder’s Certificated Class P Security properly endorsed for assignment to the transferee and (B) a properly completed Class P Transferee Certificate by the transferee, and any other documentation as may be required thereunder, the Trustee will cancel such Certificated Class P Security in accordance with this Indenture, cause the Indenture Registrar to record the transfer in the Indenture Register and, upon execution by the Issuer, deliver to the transferee one or more Certificated Class P Securities in the aggregate stated amount transferred and in the Authorized Class P-1 Denomination or Class P-2 Denomination, as applicable.

(ii) Class P Security in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security to Certificated Class P Security. An interest in a Class P Security in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or a Regulation S Global Security may be transferred only to (a) another person that is not a U.S. person who takes delivery in the form of or interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security or (b) a U.S. Person who takes delivery in the form of a Certificated Class P Security and is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser. If a holder of a beneficial interest in a Class P Security in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security wishes at any time to transfer its interest in such Security, in the United States or to a U.S. person, the transferee must take delivery thereof in the form of a Certificated Class P Security. Such Holder may, subject to the rules and procedures of the Depositary, transfer or cause the transfer of such interest for an equivalent interest in one or more such Certificated Class P Securities as described below. Upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of (A) instructions given in accordance with the Applicable Procedures from a Participant, directing the Indenture Registrar to deliver one or more such Certificated Class P Securities and designating the registered name or names, address, payment instructions, and the number and stated amount of such Certificated Class P Securities to be executed and delivered (the aggregate stated amount of such Certificated Class P Securities being equal to the aggregate stated amount of the interest in the related Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security to be transferred), in an Authorized Class P-1 Denomination or Class P-2 Denomination, as applicable and (B) a properly completed transfer certificate in the form of

Exhibit B6-1 and any other documentation as may be required thereunder, then the Indenture Registrar will instruct the Depositary to reduce, or cause to be reduced, the applicable Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security by the aggregate stated amount of the beneficial interest in such Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security to be transferred and the Indenture Registrar shall record the transfer in the Indenture Register and authenticate and deliver one or more Certificated Class P Securities, registered in the names specified in the certificate described in clause (B) above in the stated amount designated by the transferee (the aggregate of such stated amount being equal to the beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security to be transferred) and in the applicable Authorized Class P Denomination. Any purported transfer in violation of this provision shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(iii) Certificated Class P Security to Class P Security in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security. If a Holder of a Certificated Class P Security wishes at any time to transfer such Certificated Class P Security to a person that is not a U.S. person in an offshore transaction in reliance on Regulation S, such Person shall take delivery thereof in the form of an interest in the corresponding Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security. In such case such Holder may exchange or transfer, or cause the exchange or transfer of, such Certificated Class P Security for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security, provided, that such proposed transferee or the person requesting such exchange, as applicable, is not a U.S. person and such transfer is otherwise being made pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S. Upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of (A) such Certificated Class P Security properly endorsed for such transfer, and written instructions from such Holder directing the Indenture Registrar to cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security in an amount equal to the stated amount transferred of such Certificated Class P Security, (B) a written order containing information regarding the Euroclear or Clearstream account to be credited with such increase and (C) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B6-2 attached hereto, given by the Holder of such Certificated Class P Security stating that the exchange or transfer of such interest has been made in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security, including that the proposed transferee or the person requesting such exchange, as the case may be, is not a U.S. person and that the proposed transfer is being made pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S, then the Indenture Registrar shall cancel such Certificated Class P Security in accordance with Section 2.10 record the transfer in the Indenture Register in accordance with Section 2.6(a) and instruct DTC to increase the stated amount of the Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security by the aggregate stated amount of the Certificated Class P Security to be transferred, and to credit or cause to be credited to the account of the Person specified in such instructions a beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security equal to the amount specified in the instructions received pursuant to clause (A) above. Notwithstanding anything else in this Section 2.15(a)(iii), prior to the Exchange Date a Certificated Class P Security may only be exchanged or transferred for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Temporary Regulation S Global Security.

(iv) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, no purchase or proposed transfer of Class P Securities will be permitted, and the Trustee shall not register or permit the registration of any such purchase or transfer, to a Person that has represented that it is a Plan. Any purported transfer in violation of this provision shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(b) References herein to the rights and obligations of the Holders of Class E Certificates include the rights and obligations of the Holders of Class P Securities to the extent of the applicable Class P Class E Certificate Component.

(c) A Holder or Beneficial Owner of a Class P Security may exchange, subject to the applicable minimum denomination requirements, its Class P Securities for interests in the Class E Certificates (in an amount equal to the applicable Class P Class E Certificate Component) and the U.S. Treasury securities represented by the applicable Class P U.S. Treasury Component, as applicable, that comprise such Class P Components of such Class P Securities, in the manner provided herein and in the case of the Class P Class E Certificate Component, in the manner provided in the Class E Certificate Documents for transfer of a Certificated Class E Certificate or an interest in a Class E Certificate in the form of a Regulation S Global Security or Temporary Regulation S Global Security, as applicable:

(i) In the case of the exchange by a beneficial owner of an interest in Class P Securities in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or a Regulation S Global Security, upon receipt by (x) the Class E Certificate Paying Agent of instructions given in accordance with the Applicable Procedures from a Participant, directing the Class E Certificate Paying Agent (with respect to the Class P Class E Certificate Component to be exchanged) to cause to be credited (to the same Euroclear or Clearstream Account to which the interest in such Class P Security to be exchanged was credited), a beneficial interest in the Class E Certificates in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security, as applicable, in an amount equal to the aggregate Face Amount of the Class P Class E Certificate Component being exchanged, and (y) the Indenture Registrar of instructions to deliver to such beneficial owner the applicable Class P U.S. Treasury Component, (A) the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall instruct DTC to increase the aggregate Face Amount of the Class E Certificates in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security, as applicable, by an amount equal to the Class P Class E Certificate Component being exchanged, and credit such increase as instructed, (B) the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository to reduce, or cause to be reduced, the Class P Security in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security, as applicable, by the aggregate stated amount of the beneficial interest in such Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security to be exchanged and (C) the Trustee shall deliver to such beneficial owner the applicable Class P U.S. Treasury Component in accordance with market practice for transfer of such asset;

(ii) In the case of the exchange by a Holder of Certificated Class P Securities, upon receipt by (x) the Indenture Registrar of the Certificated Class P Security surrendered for exchange and written instructions to deliver to such Holder the applicable Class P U.S. Treasury Component and (y) the Class E Certificate Paying Agent of written instructions to cause to be issued to such Holder a Certificated Class E Certificate in an aggregate Face Amount equal to the aggregate Face Amount of the Class P Class E Certificate Component being exchanged, the Trustee shall cancel such Certificated Class P Security in accordance with this Indenture (and cause the Indenture Registrar to record the exchange in the Indenture Register) and deliver to such beneficial owner the applicable Class P U.S. Treasury Component in accordance with market practice for such asset and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall direct the Class E Certificate Registrar to effect the exchange in accordance with the Class E Certificate Documents by making all necessary entries, if any, in the Register of Members, and shall deliver the Certificated Class E Certificate in a Face Amount equal to the Class P Class E Certificate Component being exchanged.

(iii) A Holder or beneficial owner of a Class P Security will be required to exchange all but not less than all of its interest in a Class P Security for interests in the Class E Certificates (in an amount equal to the applicable Class P Class E Certificate Component) on the Class P Payment Date next following the earlier of the maturity or full liquidation of the U.S. Treasury securities represented by the applicable Class P U.S. Treasury Component, in the manner provided herein and in the manner provided in the Class E Certificate Documents.

(iv) The Class P Securityholders shall cooperate fully with the Trustee, the Indenture Registrar, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Class E Certificate Registrar and the Issuer in effecting any exchange, and shall provide all appropriate transfer forms, representations, delivery instructions and other materials requested by any of them, in connection with such exchange. The Issuer and the Trustee shall use its reasonable efforts to effect any such exchange and shall have no liability for any delay incurred in such exchange or the failure thereof as a result of the Class P Securityholders to provide appropriate documentation or otherwise.

(v) After any such exchange, the Holder of or Beneficial Owner of and interest in the Class P Security so exchanged will be the Holder of or Beneficial Owner of an interest in, as applicable, the Class E Certificates received upon such an exchange. No Holder of or Beneficial Owner of interests in Class E Certificates and U.S. Treasury securities (including following such an exchange) will be entitled to exchange such Class E Certificates and U.S. Treasury securities for any Class P Security. No service charge shall be made for any such exchange of Class P Securities, but the Issuer or the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with such exchange. Each Holder and Beneficial Owner of a Class P Security, by its acceptance thereof, acknowledges that upon any such exchange, the rating of such Class P Security by any Rating Agency will not apply to the Securities received in such exchange. Upon the exchange of all outstanding Class P Securities pursuant to this provision, the Issuer will notify each Rating Agency then rating the Class P Securities.

(d) Prior to the issuance of the Class P Securities pursuant to this Indenture, the Trustee shall, in addition to other conditions precedent set forth in this Indenture, have received:

(i) The second Grant and the third Grant pursuant to the Granting Clause hereof of all of the Issuer's right, title and interest in and to the Class P-1 Collateral and the Class P-2 Collateral, respectively, and delivery of the Class P-1 Collateral and Class P-2 Collateral to the Trustee or its nominee, which, if any Class P Collateral is held through an intermediary shall be deemed to have occurred upon receipt of evidence satisfactory to the Trustee that on or before the Closing Date, the Issuer shall have purchased and entered into agreements to purchase such Class P Collateral and the Class P Collateral has been credited by the Class P-1 Accounts Securities Intermediary or the Class P-2 Account Securities Intermediary, as applicable, to the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component Account or the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component Account.

(ii) A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect of Section 3.1(xix) with respect to each item of Class P Collateral pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Class P Collateral.

(e) Each Holder of a Class P-1 Security, by its acquisition thereof, acknowledges that the rating of the Class P-1 Securities by Moody's addresses solely the ultimate payment of the Class P-1 Rated Principal and each Holder of a Class P-2 Security, by its acquisition thereof, acknowledges that

the rating of the Class P-2 Securities by Moody's addresses solely the ultimate payment of the Class P-2 Rated Principal.

(f) The Trustee shall not sell or otherwise dispose of the Class P Collateral or any part thereof, except in accordance with Section 11.2 and this paragraph (f). Upon the occurrence of any Event of Default, the Trustee shall administer the Class P-1 Collateral and Class P-2 Collateral in accordance with Article 5 but solely for the benefit of the applicable Holders of Class P-1 Securities and Class P-2 Securities, respectively. The Majority of the Class P-1 Securityholder will have the right to direct the Trustee as to the exercise of any remedies with respect to the Class P-1 Collateral and the Majority of the Class P-2 Securityholder will have the right to direct the Trustee as to the exercise of any remedies with respect to the Class P-2 Collateral. Any money collected in respect of the Class P-1 Collateral shall be applied solely for the benefit of the Holders of the Class P-1 Securities to make payments solely on the Class P-1 Securities. Any money collected in respect of the Class P-2 Collateral shall be applied solely for the benefit of the Holders of the Class P-2 Securities to make payments solely on the Class P-2 Securities.

(g) The Class E Certificate Components of Class P Securities that constitute Directing Class E Certificates (as defined in the Management Agreement) shall be subject to purchase by the Buy-Out Purchaser under the terms and conditions set forth in Section 12(c) of the Management Agreement. If the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser elects to make such purchase, the Class P Securities that include such Class E Certificate Components shall be deemed exchanged for their respective Components, the Class E Certificates represented by such Class E Certificate Components shall be so purchased and the applicable Buy-Out Amount shall be distributed to the Holders of such Class P Securities, and such Holders will receive a distribution in kind of the related pro rata amount of the Class P U.S. Treasury Component.

### ARTICLE 3 CONDITIONS PRECEDENT

#### Section 3.1. Conditions to Issuance of Notes on Closing Date.

The Indenture Securities to be issued on the Closing Date shall be executed by the Applicable Issuers and delivered to the Trustee for authentication and thereupon the same shall be authenticated and delivered by the Trustee upon Issuer Order and upon receipt by the Trustee of the following:

(i) Officers' Certificates of the Co-Issuers Regarding Corporate Matters. An Officer's certificate of each of the Co-Issuers:

(A) (1) evidencing (x) the authorization by Board Resolution of the execution and delivery of this Indenture, the Purchase Agreement, the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement, the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement and, in the case of the Issuer, the Placement Agency Agreement, the Management Agreement, the Class E Certificates Paying Agency Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Hedge Agreements being entered into on or before the Closing Date (if any), and related transaction documents and (y) the execution, authentication, and delivery of the Indenture Securities applied for by it and specifying the Stated Maturity, principal amount or stated amount, as applicable, and, with respect to the Notes, the Note Interest Rate of each Class of Notes to be authenticated and delivered and (2) evidencing the authorization by Board Resolution of the issuance, terms and number of Class E Certificates issued on the Closing Date, and that each of the foregoing is in accordance with the terms of the Board Resolution, and



(B) certifying that (1) the attached copy of the Board Resolution is an accurate copy, (2) the resolutions have not been rescinded and are in full force on and as of the Closing Date, and (3) the Officers authorized to execute and deliver the documents hold the offices and have the signatures indicated on the documents.

(ii) Governmental Approvals. From each of the Co-Issuers either:

(A) a certificate of the Applicable Issuer or other official document evidencing the due authorization, approval, or consent of any governmental bodies, at the time having jurisdiction in the premises, together with an Opinion of Counsel of the Applicable Issuer that no other authorization, approval, or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of the Notes applied for by it, or

(B) an Opinion of Counsel of the Applicable Issuer that no authorization, approval, or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of the Indenture Securities except as have been given; provided that the opinions of Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP and Walkers substantially in the forms of Exhibit C and Exhibit D, respectively, shall satisfy this clause (B).

(iii) Co-Issuers' and Portfolio Manager's U.S. Counsel Opinion. An opinion of Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP, special U.S. counsel to the Co-Issuers and Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, counsel to the Portfolio Manager, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the forms of Exhibit C, and Exhibit F.

(iv) Issuer's Cayman Counsel Opinion. An opinion of Walkers, Cayman Islands counsel to the Issuer, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit D.

(v) Trustee's Counsel Opinion. An opinion of Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP, counsel to the Trustee, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit E.

(vi) Officers' Certificates of Co-Issuers Regarding Indenture. An Officer's certificate of each of the Co-Issuers stating that, to the best of the Officer's knowledge,

(A) the Applicable Issuer is not in default under this Indenture and that the issuance of the Indenture Securities applied for by it will not result in a default or a breach of, or be a default under, its organizational documents, any indenture or other agreement or instrument to which it is a party or by which it is bound, or any order of any court or administrative agency entered in any Proceeding to which it is a party or by which it may be bound or to which it may be subject;

(B) all conditions precedent in this Indenture relating to the issuance, authentication and delivery of the Indenture Securities have been complied with;

(C) all expenses due or accrued with respect to the Offering or relating to actions taken on or in connection with the Closing Date have been paid or reserves therefor have been made; and

(D) The Officer's certificate of the Issuer shall also state that, to the best of the Officer's knowledge, all of its representations and warranties contained in this Indenture are accurate as of the Closing Date.

(vii) Hedge Agreements. Executed copies of the Hedge Agreements being entered into on or entered into before the Closing Date, if any.

(viii) Management Agreement. Executed copy of the Management Agreement.

(ix) Class E Certificates. Copies of executed Class E Certificate certificates to be issued on the Closing Date.

(x) Class E Certificate Documents. An executed counterpart of each of the Class E Certificate Documents.

(xi) Collateral Administration Agreement. Executed copy of the Collateral Administration Agreement.

(xii) Grant of Collateral Obligations. (A) Evidence of the first Grant pursuant to the Granting Clauses of this Indenture of all of the Issuer's interest in the Collateral pledged to the Trustee, on the Closing Date and Delivery of the Collateral (including any promissory notes and all other Underlying Instruments related to such collateral to the extent received by the Issuer) to the Trustee as contemplated by Section 3.2, (B) evidence of the second Grant pursuant to the Granting Clauses of this Indenture of all of the Issuer's interest in the Class P-1 Collateral pledged to the Trustee for the benefit of the Class P-1 Securityholders, on the Closing Date and Delivery of the Class P-1 Collateral (including any promissory notes and all other Underlying Instruments related to such collateral to the extent received by the Issuer) to the Trustee as contemplated by Section 3.2 and (C) evidence of the third Grant pursuant to the Granting Clauses of this Indenture of all of the Issuer's interest in the Class P-2 Collateral pledged to the Trustee for the benefit of the Class P-2 Securityholders, on the Closing Date and Delivery of the Class P-2 Collateral (including any promissory notes and all other Underlying Instruments related to such collateral to the extent received by the Issuer) to the Trustee as contemplated by Section 3.2.

(xiii) Certificate of the Portfolio Manager. A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, with respect to the Collateral Obligations pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral on the Closing Date, immediately before the delivery of the Collateral Obligation on the Closing Date:

(A) the Collateral Obligations in the aggregate satisfy the "row/column combination" of the table appearing in the definition of "Ratings Matrix" selected by the Portfolio Manager on the Closing Date;

(B) the information with respect to each Collateral Obligation in the Schedule of Collateral Obligations is correct;

(C) each Collateral Obligation satisfies the requirements of the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and of Section 3.1(xix)(B); and

(D) no Deep Discount Obligation is included in the Collateral on the Closing Date.

(xiv) Rating Letters. An Officer's certificate of the Issuer to the effect that attached is an accurate copy of a letter signed by each Rating Agency and confirming that each Class of Indenture Securities rated by the Rating Agency has been assigned the applicable Initial Rating and that the ratings are in full force on the Closing Date.

(xv) Accounts. Evidence that each of the Accounts and the Class P Accounts has been established.

(xvi) Issuer Order for Deposit of Funds into Accounts. An Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, authorizing the deposit of approximately U.S.\$75,518,237.99 into the Collection Account for use pursuant to Section 7.18, the deposit of approximately U.S.\$16,300,000 into the Closing Date Expense Account for use pursuant to Section 10.3(g) and the deposit of approximately U.S.\$ 4,100,000 into the Interest Reserve Account for use pursuant to Section 10.3(i).

(xvii) Issuer Order for Authentication of Securities. An Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, directing the Trustee to authenticate the Securities in the amounts, in the registered names, and with the CUSIP numbers in the Issuer Order.

(xviii) Accountants' Certificate. An Accountants' Certificate (A) confirming the information with respect to each Collateral Obligation on the Schedule of Collateral Obligations attached as Schedule 1, by reference to such sources as shall be specified therein (B) confirming that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that the Issuer has committed to purchase in accordance with customary settlement procedures in the relevant markets, is at least U.S.\$815,000,000, that each Concentration Limitation is satisfied taking into account all of the Collateral Obligations acquired as of the Closing Date (including binding agreements to purchase Collateral Obligations in effect on the Closing Date), that the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date and that the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date and a calculation of the Diversity Score and, with respect to each such test, specifying the percentage or other numerical value required in order to satisfy the applicable test, (C) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to this Section 3.1(xviii) and (D) confirming the weighted average purchase price of the Collateral Obligations.

(xix) Certificate of the Issuer Regarding Collateral. A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, to the knowledge of the Issuer, in the case of each Collateral Obligation pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, on the Closing Date, immediately before the delivery thereof on the Closing Date:

(A) the Issuer is the owner of the Collateral Obligation free of any liens, claims, or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever except for those that are being released on the Closing Date and except for those Granted pursuant to or contemplated by this Indenture;

(B) the Issuer has acquired its ownership in the Collateral Obligation in good faith without notice of any adverse claim, except as described in paragraph (A) above;

(C) the Issuer has not assigned, pledged, or otherwise encumbered any interest in the Collateral Obligation (or, if any interest in the Collateral Obligation has been assigned, pledged, or otherwise encumbered, it has been released before the Closing Date or is being released on the Closing Date) other than interests Granted pursuant to or contemplated by this Indenture;

(D) the Issuer has full right to Grant a security interest in and assign and pledge the Collateral Obligations to the Trustee;

(E) upon Grant by the Issuer, the Trustee has a first priority security interest in the Collateral (subject, in the case of the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account to any lien in favor of the Synthetic Security Counterparty) and the Class P Collateral;

(F) based solely on the Accountant's Certificate set forth in clause (xviii) above, the weighted average purchase price of the Collateral Obligations in the portfolio as of the Closing Date is at least 100.10% of the aggregate par amount thereof; and

(G) based on the certification provided by the Portfolio Manager on the Closing Date pursuant to Section 3.1(xiii), no Deep Discount Obligation is included in the Collateral on the Closing Date.

(xx) Certificate of the Issuer Regarding Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice. A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, on or prior to the Closing Date the Issuer provided to the Depository the Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice, substantially in the form of Exhibit H-2.

(xxi) Other Documents. Any other documents the Trustee reasonably requires. Nothing in this clause (xxi) shall imply or impose a duty on the part of the Trustee to require any other documents.

Section 3.2. Custodianship; Delivery of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments.

(a) (i) The Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer shall Deliver or cause to be Delivered all Collateral, all Class P-1 Collateral and all Class P-2 Collateral. Initially, the Issuer Account Securities Intermediary and the Class P-1 Accounts Securities Intermediary and Class P-2 Accounts Securities Intermediary shall be JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association. Any successor securities intermediary shall be a state or national bank or trust company that is not an Affiliate of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and has capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000 and is a Securities Intermediary. Subject to the limited right to relocate Pledged Obligations as provided in Section 7.5(b), the Trustee shall hold all Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, other investments purchased in accordance with this Indenture (other than Loans, Participations and general intangibles) and Cash in the relevant Account established and maintained pursuant to Article 10, as to which in each case the Trustee shall have entered into an agreement with the Relevant Securities Intermediary substantially in the form of Exhibit G providing, *inter alia*, that the establishment and maintenance of the Account shall be governed by the law of the jurisdiction acceptable to the Issuer and the Trustee.

(b) Each time that the Issuer, or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer, directs or causes the acquisition of any Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment, or other investments, the Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Issuer) shall, if the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment, or other investment is required to be, but has not already been, transferred to the relevant Account, cause the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment, or other investment to be Delivered to the Trustee to be held in the Custodial Account in the case of property constituting Collateral (or in the case of any such investment that is not a Collateral Obligation, in the Account in which the funds used to purchase the investment are held in accordance with Article 10) and in the relevant Class P Account in the case of property constituting Class P Collateral for the benefit of the Trustee in accordance with this Indenture. The security interest of the Trustee in the funds or other property used in connection with the acquisition shall, immediately and without further action on the part of the Trustee, be released. The security interest

of the Trustee shall nevertheless come into existence and continue in the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment, or other investment so acquired, including all interests of the Issuer in to any contracts related to and proceeds of the Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, or other investments.

Section 3.3. Representations as to Collateral.

(a) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants to the Secured Parties and the Class P Securityholders, as the case may be, as to the Collateral and the Class P Collateral as follows (which representations are repeated on each day on which the Issuer acquires new Collateral and Class P Collateral):

(i) This Indenture creates a valid and continuing security interest (as defined in the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) in the Collateral and the Class P Collateral in favor of the Trustee, which security interest is prior to all other liens, charges, claims, security interests, mortgages, and other encumbrances except as otherwise contemplated herein, and is enforceable as such as against creditors of and purchasers from the Issuer.

(ii) Except for any Securities Lending Collateral and Synthetic Securities Collateral, the Issuer has good and marketable title to and is the owner of each item of Collateral and Class P Collateral free of any liens, claims, or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever except for liens (A) that are being released on the Closing Date and (B) granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture. The Issuer has a first priority security interest in all Securities Lending Collateral to secure all obligations of Securities Lending Counterparty under the Securities Lending Agreement and a first priority interest in all Synthetic Securities Collateral to secure all obligations of Synthetic Securities Counterparty under the Synthetic Securities Agreement.

(iii) The Issuer has not assigned, pledged, or otherwise encumbered any interest in the Collateral or the Class P Collateral (or, if any interest in such collateral has been assigned, pledged, or otherwise encumbered, it has been released before the Closing Date or is being released on the Closing Date) other than interests granted pursuant to or contemplated by this Indenture.

(iv) The Issuer has full right, and has received all consents and approvals required by the related Underlying Instruments, to grant a security interest in its rights in the Collateral and the Class P Collateral to the Trustee.

(v) Each Collateral Obligation included in the Collateral and the Class P Collateral satisfied the requirements of the definition of “Collateral Obligation” or Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component or Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component, as the case may be, as of the date the Issuer committed to purchase the same or, in the case of obligations acquired on or prior to the Closing Date, as of the Closing Date.

(vi) All Collateral Obligations, any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange did not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, and Eligible Investments (other than, in each case, “general intangibles” within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) have been and will have been credited to one of the Accounts. The Relevant Securities Intermediary for each Account has agreed to treat all assets credited to the Accounts as “financial assets” within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code.

(vii) The Issuer has pledged to the Trustee all of the Issuer’s interest in the Collateral and the Class P Collateral pursuant to the Granting Clauses of this Indenture and has

delivered each Collateral Obligation (including any promissory note and all its other Underlying Instruments to the extent received by the Issuer) to the Trustee as contemplated by Section 3.2.

(viii) Each item of the Collateral and the Class P Collateral constitutes “general intangibles,” “certificated securities,” “instruments,” “securities entitlements,” or “uncertificated securities,” each within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code, or any other category of collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code as to which the Issuer has complied with its obligations under Section 3.3(b).

(ix) The Issuer has caused (or will have caused within 10 days following the Closing Date) the filing of appropriate financing statements in the proper filing offices in the appropriate jurisdictions under applicable law to perfect the security interest in the portion of the Collateral and the Class P Collateral pledged to the Trustee under this Indenture that may be perfected by the filing of financing statements.

(x) The Issuer has not authorized the filing of and is not aware of any financing statements against the Issuer that include a description of collateral covering the Collateral or the Class P Collateral other than any financing statement (A) relating to the security interest in the Collateral or the Class P Collateral granted to the Trustee under this Indenture, (B) that has been terminated, or (C) that names the Trustee as the secured party. On the date of this Indenture, the Issuer is not aware of any judgment or Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation or tax lien filings against the Issuer.

(xi) The Issuer has delivered to the Trustee a fully executed agreement pursuant to which the Relevant Securities Intermediary for each Account has agreed to comply with all instructions originated by the Trustee relating to the Account without further consent by the Issuer.

(xii) All original executed copies of each “instrument” (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral or Class P Collateral have been delivered to the Relevant Securities Intermediary, to the extent received by the Issuer. None of the instruments that are or evidence the Collateral or the Class P Collateral has any marks or notations indicating that they are then pledged or otherwise assigned to any person other than the Trustee.

(xiii) The Accounts are not in the name of any person other than the Trustee. The Issuer has not consented to the securities intermediary of any Account to comply with instructions of any person other than the Trustee.

(xiv) All “certificated securities” (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral or the Class P Collateral have been delivered to the Relevant Securities Intermediary, to the extent received by the Issuer, registered in the name of the Relevant Securities Intermediary or indorsed to the Relevant Securities Intermediary or in blank. The Issuer has received a written acknowledgment from the Relevant Securities Intermediary that the Relevant Securities Intermediary is holding all the certificated securities delivered to it that are or evidence the Collateral or the Class P Collateral solely on behalf and for the benefit of the Trustee.

(xv) The Issuer has caused all “uncertificated securities” (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral or the Class P Collateral to be registered in the name of the Relevant Securities Intermediary.

(xvi) Upon grant by the Issuer, the Trustee has a first priority security interest in the Collateral and the Class P Collateral, subject in the case of the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account to any lien in favor of the Synthetic Security Counterparty.

(xvii) The parties to this Indenture (i) shall not waive any of the representations in this Section 3.3, unless the Rating Condition is satisfied in connection with such waiver; (ii) shall provide each of the Rating Agencies with prompt written notice of any breach of the representations contained in this Section 3.3 upon becoming aware thereof, and shall not waive a breach of any of the representations in this Section 3.3, unless the Rating Condition is satisfied (as determined after any adjustment or withdrawal of the ratings following notice of such breach) in connection with such waiver.

(b) If the Issuer acquires Collateral or Class P Collateral that is not “general intangibles,” “certificated securities,” “instruments,” “securities entitlements,” or “uncertificated securities,” each within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code, or another category of collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code as to which the Issuer has complied with its obligations under this Section 3.3(b), then on or before the date on which the Issuer acquires the Collateral or the Class P Collateral, as the case may be, the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer) shall notify S&P and the Trustee (with respect to the Collateral, for the benefit of the Secured Parties) of its acquisition or intended acquisition of the Collateral or the Class P Collateral, as the case may be, and the Issuer shall represent to S&P and to the Trustee (with respect to such collateral, for the benefit of the Secured Parties and the Class P Securityholders, as the case may be) as to the category of such collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code and shall make any further representations as to the perfection and priority of the security interest in such collateral Granted under this Indenture acceptable to S&P.

#### Section 3.4. Conditions to Issuance of Additional Class E Certificates.

Any Additional Class E Certificates to be issued on an Additional Class E Certificates Closing Date pursuant to Section 4.4 of the Class E Certificates Paying Agency Agreement shall satisfy the conditions precedent set forth in Section 4.4 of the Class E Certificates Paying Agency Agreement.

### ARTICLE 4

#### SATISFACTION AND DISCHARGE

##### Section 4.1. Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture.

This Indenture shall be discharged and shall cease to be of further effect with respect to the Indenture Securities and the Collateral and the Class P Collateral except as to:

- (i) rights of registration of transfer and exchange,
- (ii) substitution of mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Notes,
- (iii) rights of Holders of the Indenture Securities to receive payments of principal and interest on, or other amounts (including without limitation Extension Bonus Payments, as applicable) owing in respect of, the Indenture Securities, as provided in this Indenture,

(iv) the rights, indemnities, and immunities of the Trustee under this Indenture and the obligations of the Trustee under Section 7.3 of this Indenture with respect to the holding and paying of unclaimed funds,

(v) for so long as any Class E Certificates remain Outstanding, any provisions hereof conferring any rights or remedies upon the Holders of the Class E Certificates or the Class E Certificates Paying Agent on behalf of the Holders of the Class E Certificates, including but not limited to, the provisions of Articles 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15,

(vi) for so long as any Class E Certificates remain Outstanding, the provisions of Articles 10, 11 and 12 relating to the acquisition, retention, disbursement and reinvestment of Collateral,

(vii) the rights, obligations, and immunities of the Portfolio Manager under this Indenture and under the Management Agreement, and

(viii) the rights of Holders of the Indenture Securities as beneficiaries of this Indenture with respect to the property deposited with the Trustee (other than the Class P Collateral) and payable to any of them and the rights of Class P-1 Securityholders with respect to the Class P-1 Collateral and the rights of the Class P-2 Securityholders with respect to the Class P-2 Collateral (and the Trustee, on demand of and at the expense of the Issuer, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture),

when:

(a) either:

(i) all Indenture Securities theretofore authenticated and delivered (other than (A) Indenture Securities that have been destroyed, lost, or stolen and which have been replaced or paid as provided in Section 2.7 and (B) Indenture Securities for whose payment money has theretofore irrevocably been deposited in trust and thereafter repaid to the Issuer or discharged from the trust, as provided in Section 7.3), have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation; or

(ii) all Indenture Securities not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation

(A) have become payable, or

(B) will become payable at their Stated Maturity within one year, or

(C) are to be called for redemption pursuant to Article 9 under an arrangement satisfactory to the Trustee for the giving of notice of redemption by the Applicable Issuers pursuant to Section 9.3,

and the Issuer has irrevocably deposited with the Trustee, in trust for such purpose Cash or non-callable obligations of the United States of America. The obligations deposited under Section 4.1(a)(ii) must be entitled to the full faith and credit of the United States of America or be debt obligations that are rated “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P, in an amount sufficient, as verified by a firm of Independent certified public accountants that are nationally recognized, to pay and discharge the entire indebtedness on the Indenture Securities not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation, for principal and interest to the date of the deposit (in the case of



Indenture Securities that have become payable), or to the respective Stated Maturity or the respective Redemption Date, as the case may be, and the Issuer shall have Granted to the Trustee a valid perfected security interest in the Eligible Investment that is of first priority, free of any adverse claim, and shall have furnished an Opinion of Counsel with respect thereto. Section 4.1(a)(ii) shall not apply if an election to act in accordance with Section 5.5(a) has been made and not rescinded. The Class Q-1 Securities shall be treated as cancelled for purposes of this Section 4.1(a) if all amounts with respect to the Class Q-1 Components represented thereby have been paid in full. In addition, the Issuer shall cause delivery to the Trustee of an Opinion of Counsel of Independent U.S. tax counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters to the effect that the Holders of Notes would recognize no income, gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of the deposit and satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture;

(b) the Issuer has paid all other sums then payable under this Indenture by the Issuer and no other amounts are scheduled to be payable by the Issuer; and

(c) the Co-Issuers have delivered to the Trustee Officer's certificates and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent in this Indenture provided for relating to the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture have been complied with.

Notwithstanding the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture, the rights and obligations of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager and, if applicable, the Securityholders under Sections 2.8, 4.2, 5.4(d), 5.9, 5.18, 6.6, 6.7, 7.1, 7.3, 13.1, and 14.14 shall survive.

#### Section 4.2. Application of Trust Money.

All monies deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 4.1 shall be held in trust for the person entitled to it and applied by the Trustee in accordance with the Indenture Securities and this Indenture, including, without limitation, the Priority of Payments, to the payment of principal and interest (and any Commitment Fee and Delayed Drawdown Fee), either directly or through any Paying Agent, as the Trustee may determine. The money shall be held in a segregated non-interest bearing trust account identified as being held in trust for the benefit of the Secured Parties or the Class P-1 Securityholders or Class P-2 Securityholders, as applicable.

#### Section 4.3. Repayment of Monies Held by Paying Agent.

In connection with the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture with respect to the Notes, all monies then held by any Paying Agent other than the Trustee under this Indenture shall, upon demand of the Co-Issuers, be paid to the Trustee to be held and applied pursuant to Section 7.3 and in accordance with the Priority of Payments and thereupon the Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to the monies.

## ARTICLE 5

### REMEDIES

#### Section 5.1. Events of Default.

"Event of Default," wherever used in this Indenture, means any one of the following events whatever the reason:

(a) a default for four Business Days in the payment of any interest on any of the Class A-1A Notes (or of the Commitment Fee Amount with respect to the Class A-1A Notes), the Class A-1B Notes (or of the Delayed Drawdown Fee with respect to the Class A-1B Notes), the Class A-1C Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes or the Class A-4 Notes or, after no Class A Notes are Outstanding, on any Class of Notes that is currently part of the Controlling Class when it becomes payable (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, any Paying Agent or the Indenture Registrar, after seven Business Days);

(b) a default in the payment of principal (including Deferred Interest) of any Note, when the same becomes payable, at its Stated Maturity or on the Redemption Date or otherwise (or, in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, any Paying Agent or the Indenture Registrar, such default has continued for three Business Days);

(c) the failure on any Payment Date to disburse amounts available in the Payment Account in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the failure continues for three Business Days (or in the case of a failure to disburse such amounts due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, any Paying Agent or the Indenture Registrar, such failure continues for six Business Days);

(d) on any Measurement Date for so long as any Class A-1A Notes, Class A-1B Notes, Class A-1C Notes, Class A-2 Notes, Class A-3 Notes or Class A-4 Notes are Outstanding, the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is less than 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class A-4 Notes;

(e) either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral becomes an investment company under the 1940 Act;

(f) breach of any other covenant or other agreement or warranty of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture (other than any failure to satisfy any of the Collateral Quality Tests, any of the Concentration Limitations, any of the Coverage Tests, the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test, or other covenants or agreements for which a specific remedy has been provided in this Section 5.1) in any material respect, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant thereto, or in connection therewith, to be correct in any material respect when made, and the breach or failure continues for 30 days after either of the Co-Issuers has actual knowledge of it or after notice to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, and the Portfolio Manager by the Trustee or to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class by registered or certified mail or overnight courier specifying the breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that the notice is a "Notice of Default" under this Indenture;

(g) the entry of a decree or order by a court having competent jurisdiction adjudging the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, or composition of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, and if the decree or order remains unstayed and in effect for 45 consecutive days;

(h) the institution by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of Proceedings to have the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, or the filing by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of a petition or

answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Bankruptcy Law or any other similar applicable law, or the consent by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or the taking of any action by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in furtherance of any such action; or

(i) one or more final judgments is rendered against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer that exceed in the aggregate U.S.\$2,000,000 (or any lesser amount specified by Moody's) and that remain unstayed, undischarged, and unsatisfied for 30 days after the judgments become nonappealable, unless adequate funds have been reserved or set aside for their payment, unless (except as otherwise specified in writing by Moody's) the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's is satisfied with respect thereto.

Section 5.2. Acceleration of Maturity; Rescission and Annulment.

(a) If an Event of Default is continuing (other than an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(e), (g), (h) or (i)), the Trustee may, with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, and upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall, declare the principal of all the Notes to be immediately payable by notice to the Applicable Issuers, and upon that declaration the unpaid principal of all the Notes, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), and other amounts payable under this Indenture, shall become immediately payable. The Reinvestment Period shall terminate upon a declaration of acceleration (subject to re-commencement pursuant to Section 5.2(b)(x)). If an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(e), (g), (h) or (i) occurs, all unpaid principal, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), of all the Notes, and other amounts payable under this Indenture, shall automatically become payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any Noteholder and the Reinvestment Period shall terminate automatically (subject to re-commencement pursuant to Section 5.2(b)).

(b) At any time after the declaration of acceleration of maturity has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Class E Certificates Paying Agent may rescind the declaration and its consequences if:

(i) The Issuer has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay;

(A) all unpaid installments of interest and principal on the Notes then due (other than as a result of the acceleration);

(B) to the extent that payment of the interest is lawful, interest on any Deferred Interest and Defaulted Interest at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable;

(C) all Administrative Expenses of the Co-Issuers and other sums paid or advanced by the Trustee under this Indenture;

(D) all unpaid Senior Management Fees;

(E) all amounts then payable to any Hedge Counterparty; and

(ii) The Trustee has determined that all Events of Default, other than the nonpayment of the interest on or principal of the Notes that have become due solely by such acceleration, have been (A) cured, and a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Trustee has agreed with that determination, or (B) waived as provided in Section 5.14.

No such rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right consequent thereon. The Issuer shall not terminate any Hedge Agreement at any time after a declaration of acceleration of Maturity of the Notes has been made, unless such declaration and its consequences may no longer be rescinded and annulled in accordance with this Section 5.2(b) and liquidation of the Collateral has begun.

If a declaration of acceleration is rescinded as described above:

(x) the Reinvestment Period, if terminated by the declaration, shall re-commence on the date of the rescission (unless the Reinvestment Period would have otherwise terminated before that date pursuant to clauses (i), (ii), or (iii) of its definition); and

(y) the Trustee shall preserve the Collateral in accordance with this Indenture. If the preservation of the Collateral is rescinded pursuant to Section 5.5, the Notes may again be accelerated pursuant to Section 5.2(a), notwithstanding any previous rescission of a declaration of acceleration pursuant to this Section 5.2(b)).

No rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right resulting from the Default.

(c) Notwithstanding anything in this Section 5.2 to the contrary, the Notes will not be subject to acceleration by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class, or any other Holders solely as a result of the failure to pay any amount due on Notes that are not of the Controlling Class.

### Section 5.3. Collection of Indebtedness and Suits for Enforcement by Trustee.

The Applicable Issuers covenant that if a default occurs in the payment of any principal of or interest when payable on any Note, upon demand of the Trustee or the Holder of any affected Note, the Applicable Issuers shall pay to the Trustee, for the benefit of such Holder of the Note, the whole amount then payable on the Note for principal and interest with interest on the overdue principal and, to the extent that payments of the interest shall be legally enforceable, on overdue installments of interest and all other amounts owing to the Holders of such Notes under this Indenture, at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable, and, in addition, an amount sufficient to cover the costs and expenses of collection, including the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements, and advances of the Trustee and the Holders and their agents and counsel.

If the Issuer or the Co-Issuer fails to pay those amounts immediately on demand, the Trustee, in its own name and as Trustee of an express trust, may, and shall at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, institute a Proceeding for the collection of the sums due, may prosecute the Proceeding to judgment or final decree, and may enforce the same against the Applicable Issuers or any other obligor on the Notes and collect the monies determined to be payable in the manner provided by law out of the Collateral.

If an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee may, and shall upon written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, proceed to protect and enforce its rights and the rights of the Holders of the Notes by any appropriate Proceedings as is deemed most effective (if no direction is received by

the Trustee) or as the Trustee may be directed by a Majority of the Controlling Class, to protect and enforce the rights of the Trustee and the Holders of the Notes, whether for the specific enforcement of any agreement in this Indenture or in aid of the exercise of any power granted in this Indenture, or to enforce any other proper remedy or legal or equitable right vested in the Trustee by this Indenture or by law. The reasonable compensation, costs, expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or paid by the Trustee and its agents and counsel, in connection with such Proceeding, including, without limitation, the exercise of any remedies pursuant to Section 5.4, shall be reimbursed to the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.7.

If any Proceedings are pending relating to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any other obligor on the Notes under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, or other similar law, or if a receiver, assignee, or trustee in bankruptcy or reorganization, liquidator, sequestrator, or similar official has been appointed for or taken possession of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or their respective property or any other obligor on the Notes or its property, or if any other comparable Proceedings are pending relating to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or other obligor on the Notes, or the creditors or property of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or other obligor on the Notes or the Trustee, regardless of whether the principal of any Notes is then payable by declaration or otherwise and regardless of whether the Trustee has made any demand pursuant to this Section 5.3, may, by intervention in the Proceedings or otherwise:

(a) file and prove claims for the whole amount of principal and interest owing and unpaid in respect of the Notes, and file any other papers or documents appropriate and take any other appropriate action (including sitting on a committee of creditors) to have the claims of the Trustee (including any claim for reasonable compensation to the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, and their respective agents, attorneys, and counsel, and for reimbursement of all expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, except as a result of negligence or bad faith) and of the Holders of the Notes allowed in any Proceedings relating to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or other obligor on the Notes or to the creditors or property of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or other obligor on the Notes;

(b) unless prohibited by applicable law, vote on behalf of the Holders of the Notes in any election of a trustee or a standby trustee in arrangement, reorganization, liquidation, or other bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings or person performing similar functions in comparable Proceedings; and

(c) collect and receive any monies or other property payable to or deliverable on any such claims, and distribute all amounts received with respect to the claims of the Holders of the Notes and of the Trustee on their behalf; and any trustee, receiver or liquidator, custodian, or other similar official is authorized by each of the Holders of the Notes to make payments to the Trustee, and, if the Trustee consents to making payments directly to the Holders of the Notes, to pay to the Trustee amounts sufficient to cover reasonable compensation to the Trustee, each predecessor Trustee, and their respective agents, attorneys, and counsel, and all other reasonable expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee except as a result of negligence or bad faith.

Nothing in this Indenture shall authorize the Trustee to authorize or consent to or vote for or accept or adopt on behalf of the Holder of any Note, any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, or composition affecting the Notes or any Holder of Notes, or to authorize the Trustee to vote on the claim of the Holder of any Note in any Proceeding except, as aforesaid, to vote for the election of a trustee in bankruptcy or similar person.

Notwithstanding anything in this Section 5.3 to the contrary, the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Collateral or institute Proceedings in furtherance of the sale or liquidation of the Collateral pursuant to this Section 5.3 except according to Section 5.5(a).

Section 5.4. Remedies.

(a) If an Event of Default is continuing, and the Notes have been declared payable and the declaration and its consequences have not been rescinded, or at any time after the Stated Maturity, the Co-Issuers agree that the Trustee may, and shall, upon written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, to the extent permitted by applicable law, exercise one or more of the following rights:

(i) institute Proceedings for the collection of all amounts then payable on the Notes or otherwise payable under this Indenture, whether by declaration or otherwise, enforce any judgment obtained, and collect from the Collateral any monies adjudged due;

(ii) sell or liquidate all or a portion of the Collateral or interests in it, at one or more public or private sales called and conducted in any manner permitted by law and in accordance with Section 5.17;

(iii) institute Proceedings from time to time for the complete or partial foreclosure of this Indenture with respect to the Collateral;

(iv) exercise any remedies of a secured party under the UCC and take any other appropriate action to protect and enforce the rights of the Trustee and the Holders of the Notes under this Indenture; and

(v) exercise any other rights that may be available at law or in equity;

*except* that the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Collateral or institute Proceedings in furtherance of the sale or liquidation of the Collateral pursuant to this Section 5.4 except according to Section 5.5(a).

(b) If an Event of Default as described in Section 5.1(f) is continuing the Trustee may, with the consent of, and shall, at the direction of, the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, institute a Proceeding solely to compel performance of the covenant or agreement or to cure the representation or warranty, the breach of which gave rise to the Event of Default under Section 5.1(f), and enforce any equitable decree or order arising from the Proceeding.

(c) Upon any sale, whether made under the power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, any Holders or the Portfolio Manager (subject to the Management Agreement) may bid for and purchase any part of the Collateral and, upon compliance with the terms of sale, may hold, retain, possess, or dispose of the Collateral in its or their own absolute right without accountability.

Upon any sale, whether made under the power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, the receipt of the Trustee, or of the Officer making a sale under judicial Proceedings, shall be a sufficient discharge to the purchasers at any sale for their purchase money, and the purchasers shall not be obliged to see to its application.

Any sale, whether under any power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, shall bind the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, and the Holders of the Notes, shall operate to divest all interest whatsoever, either at law or in equity, of each of them in the property sold, and shall be a perpetual bar, both at law and in equity, against each of them and their successors and assigns, and against all persons claiming through or under them.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, none of the Secured Parties may, before the date that is one year and one day (or if longer, any applicable preference period plus one day) after the payment in full of all Notes and the reduction of the Commitment to zero in the case of the Class A-1A Notes, institute against, or join any other person in instituting against, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium, or liquidation Proceedings, or other Proceedings under the Bankruptcy Law or any similar laws in any jurisdiction. Nothing in this Section 5.4 shall preclude the Trustee or any Secured Party (i) from taking any action before the expiration of that period in (A) any case or Proceeding voluntarily filed or commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or (B) any involuntary insolvency Proceeding filed or commenced by a person other than a Secured Party, or (ii) from commencing against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any of its properties any legal action that is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium, or liquidation Proceeding.

Section 5.5. Optional Preservation of Collateral.

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Indenture, if an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall retain the Collateral intact, collect, and cause the collection of the proceeds of the Collateral and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Collateral and the Notes, and any Hedge Agreements (other than amounts received under a Hedge Agreement that are used in putting a Replacement Hedge in place), in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Article 10 and Article 12 unless:

(i) the Trustee determines that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to any Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by any Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) of Section 11.1(a)(i) and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination; or

(ii) in the case of an Event of Default other than pursuant Section 5.1 (d), the Holders of a Majority of each of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class A-4 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral; or

(iii) in the event of an Event of Default pursuant to Section 5.1(d), a Majority of the Holders of the Class A Notes (voting together as a single Class) direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral.

The Trustee shall give written notice of the retention of the Collateral to the Issuer with a copy to the Co-Issuer and the Portfolio Manager. So long as the Event of Default is continuing, any retention pursuant to this Section 5.5(a) may be rescinded at any time when the conditions specified in clause (i) or (ii) exist.

(b) Nothing contained in Section 5.5(a) shall be construed to require the Trustee to sell the Collateral if the conditions in clause (i) or (ii) of Section 5.5(a) are not satisfied. Nothing contained in Section 5.5(a) shall be construed to require the Trustee to preserve the Collateral if prohibited by applicable law.

(c) In determining whether the condition specified in Section 5.5(a)(i) exists, the Trustee shall obtain bid prices with respect to each security contained in the Collateral from two nationally recognized dealers (or if there is only one market maker, that market maker and if there is no market maker, from a pricing service), at the time making a market in those securities, and shall compute the anticipated proceeds of sale or liquidation on the basis of the lower of the bid prices for each security. In addition, for the purposes of determining issues relating to the valuation of the Collateral, the satisfaction of the conditions specified in this Indenture, the execution of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral, and the execution of a sale or other liquidation of the Collateral in connection with a determination whether the condition specified in Section 5.5(a)(i) exists, the Trustee may retain, at the Issuer's expense, and rely on an opinion of an Independent investment banking firm of national reputation, which may be the Placement Agent.

The Trustee shall deliver to the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates), the Holders of the Notes, the Co-Issuers, the Initial Purchaser, the Portfolio Manager and the Hedge Counterparties a report stating the results of any determination required pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i). The Trustee shall make the determinations required by Section 5.5(a)(i) after an Event of Default at the request of a Majority of the Controlling Class at any time during which the Trustee retains the Collateral pursuant to Section 5.5(a). The Trustee shall obtain (at the Issuer's expense) a letter of a firm of Independent certified public accountants confirming the accuracy of each calculation made by the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) and certifying their conformity to the requirements of this Indenture.

(d) Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, the Trustee may not, and the Holders of the Notes representing the requisite percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes specified in Section 5.4 or 5.5, may not instruct the Trustee to sell or liquidate or (except in connection with the concurrent execution of a Replacement Hedge) terminate any Hedge Agreement during the continuance of an Event of Default until all Collateral other than the Hedge Agreements has been sold or liquidated and its proceeds applied in accordance with this Indenture.

(e) Collateral may not be sold or liquidated pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) after the last date on which the sale or liquidation is permitted under Section 5.5(a)(i) with respect to a determination made pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) (the last permitted date being determined by the Trustee under Section 5.5(a)(i)), unless a new determination is made in accordance with Section 5.5(a)(i) and the Collateral is sold or liquidated before the last sale date permitted in accordance with the new determination.

#### Section 5.6. Trustee May Enforce Claims Without Possession of Notes.

All rights of action and claims under this Indenture or under any of the Notes may be prosecuted and enforced by the Trustee without the possession of any of the Notes or their production in any trial or other Proceeding relating to them, and any Proceeding instituted by the Trustee shall be brought in its own name as trustee of an express trust, and any recovery of judgment shall be applied as provided in Section 5.7.

In any Proceedings brought by the Trustee (and any Proceedings involving the interpretation of any provision of this Indenture to which the Trustee shall be a party) the Trustee shall be held to represent all the Holders of the Notes.



Section 5.7. Application of Money Collected.

Any money collected by the Trustee with respect to the Notes pursuant to this Article 5 and any money that may then be held or subsequently received by the Trustee with respect to the Notes under this Indenture shall be applied, subject to Section 13.1 and in accordance with Section 11.1, at the dates fixed by the Trustee.

Section 5.8. Limitation on Suits.

No Holder of any Note shall have any right to institute any Proceedings, judicial or otherwise, with respect to this Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy under this Indenture, unless:

- (a) the Holder has previously given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default;
- (b) the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute Proceedings with respect to the Event of Default in its own name as Trustee under this Indenture and the Holders have offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with the request;
- (c) the Trustee for 30 days after its receipt of the notice, request, and offer of indemnity has failed to institute a Proceeding; and
- (d) no direction inconsistent with the written request has been given to the Trustee during the 30 day period by a Majority of the Controlling Class.

No one or more Holders of Notes have any right in any manner whatever by virtue of, or by availing of, any provision of this Indenture to affect the rights of any other Holders of Notes of the same Class or to obtain or to seek to obtain priority or preference over any other Holders of the Notes of the same Class or to enforce any right under this Indenture, except in the manner provided in this Indenture and for the equal and ratable benefit of all the Holders of Notes of the same Class subject to and in accordance with Section 13.1 and the Priority of Payments.

If the Trustee receives conflicting or inconsistent requests and indemnity from two or more groups of Holders of the Controlling Class, each representing less than a Majority of the Controlling Class, the Trustee shall take the action requested by the Holders of the largest percentage in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, notwithstanding any other provisions of this Indenture.

Section 5.9. Unconditional Rights of Holders of Notes.

Notwithstanding any provision of this Indenture other than this Section 5.9 and Sections 2.8(i), 5.4(d), and 13.1, the Holder of any Note shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive payment of the principal of and interest on such Note as it comes due in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Section 13.1, and, subject to Section 5.8, to institute proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment, and that right shall not be impaired without the consent of the Holder. Holders of Notes ranking junior to Notes still Outstanding may not institute proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment until no Note ranking senior to their Note remains Outstanding, subject to Section 5.8, and shall not be impaired without the consent of any such Holder. For so long as any Notes are Outstanding, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent shall not be entitled to any payment of any

amount for payments to the Holders of the Class E Certificates pursuant to the Class E Certificate Documents, to the extent legally permitted, on a claim against the Issuer unless there are sufficient funds to pay such amounts to the Class E Certificates Paying Agent in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Section 5.10. Restoration of Rights and Remedies.

If the Trustee or the Holder of any Note has instituted any Proceeding to enforce any right under this Indenture and the Proceeding has been discontinued or abandoned for any reason, or has been determined adversely to the Trustee or to the Holder, then, subject to any determination in the Proceeding, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Holder shall be restored to their former positions under this Indenture, and thereafter all rights of the Trustee and the Holder shall continue as though no Proceeding had been instituted.

Section 5.11. Rights and Remedies Cumulative.

No right in this Indenture conferred on or reserved to the Trustee or to the Holders of Notes is intended to be exclusive of any other right, and every right shall, to the extent permitted by law, be cumulative and in addition to every other right given under this Indenture or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or otherwise. The assertion or employment of any right under this Indenture, or otherwise, shall not prevent the concurrent assertion or employment of any other appropriate right.

Section 5.12. Delay or Omission Not Waiver.

No delay or omission of the Trustee or the Holder of any Note to exercise any right accruing upon any Event of Default shall impair the right or be a waiver of the Event of Default or an acquiescence in it or of a subsequent Event of Default. Every right given by this Article 5 or by law to the Trustee or to the Holders of Notes may be exercised from time to time, and as often as deemed expedient, by the Trustee or by the applicable Holders.

Section 5.13. Control by Majority of the Controlling Class.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, during the continuance of an Event of Default, a Majority of the Controlling Class, with respect to the Notes, may institute and direct the time, method, and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any right of the Trustee with respect to the Notes, if:

(i) the direction does not conflict with any rule of law or with any express provision of this Indenture; and

(ii) the Trustee has been indemnified to its reasonable satisfaction (and the Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability unless it has received an indemnity against the liability).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, only a Majority of the Controlling Class may direct proceedings with respect to remedies specified in Section 5.4(a) or otherwise with respect to the Collateral.

(b) The Trustee may take any other action deemed proper by the Trustee that is not inconsistent with a direction under Section 5.13(a). Subject to Section 6.1, the Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability (unless the Trustee has received an indemnity against the liabilities reasonably satisfactory to it) and during the continuance of an Event of Default that has not

been cured, or waived, the Trustee shall, before receiving directions from a Majority of the Controlling Class exercise the rights expressly vested in it by this Indenture and use the same degree of care and skill in their exercise with respect to the Event of Default as is required by Section 6.1(b).

(c) Any direction to the Trustee to undertake a Sale of the Collateral shall be in accordance with Section 5.4 or 5.5.

Section 5.14. Waiver of Past Defaults.

Before a judgment or decree for payment of any money due has been obtained by the Trustee, as provided in this Article 5, a Majority of the Controlling Class may on behalf of the Holders of all the Notes waive any past Default and its consequences, except a Default:

(a) in the payment of the principal or Redemption Price of any Note or in the payment of interest (including Defaulted Interest, Deferred Interest, and any interest on Defaulted Interest or Deferred Interest) on the Notes;

(b) with respect to a provision of this Indenture that under Section 8.2 cannot be modified or amended without the waiver or consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected by the modification or amendment;

(c) in the payment of amounts due to the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee or the Hedge Counterparty, which may only be waived with the consent of the affected party; or

(d) arising as a result of an Event of Default described in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h).

Upon any such waiver, the Default shall cease to exist, and any Event of Default arising from it shall be cured, for every purpose of this Indenture, but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other Default or impair any right consequent thereto. The Trustee shall promptly give written notice of any such waiver to the Portfolio Manager, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates) and each Holder of Notes.

Section 5.15. Undertaking for Costs.

All parties to this Indenture agree, and each Holder of any Note by its acceptance of its Note agrees, that in any suit for the enforcement of any right under this Indenture, or in any suit against the Trustee or the Portfolio Manager for any action taken or omitted by it as Trustee or for any action taken or omitted by the Portfolio Manager, as applicable, any court may in its discretion require the filing by any party litigant in the suit of an undertaking to pay the costs of the suit, and that the court may in its discretion assess reasonable costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, against any party litigant in the suit, having due regard to the merits and good faith of the claims or defenses made by the party litigant. This Section 5.15 shall not apply to any suit instituted by the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, to any suit instituted by any Holder, or group of Holders, of Notes holding in the aggregate more than 10% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, or to any suit instituted by any Holder of Notes for the enforcement of the payment of the principal of or interest or distributions on, as the case may be any Note or any other amount payable under this Indenture after the applicable Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, after the applicable Redemption Date).

Section 5.16. Waiver of Stay or Extension Laws.

To the extent that they may lawfully do so, the Co-Issuers covenant that they will not at any time insist on, or plead, or in any manner whatsoever claim or take the benefit or advantage of, any stay or extension law or any valuation, appraisal, redemption, or marshalling law or rights, in each case wherever enacted, now or at any time hereafter in force, that may affect the covenants, the performance of, or any remedies under this Indenture. To the extent that they may lawfully do so, the Co-Issuers expressly waive all benefit or advantage of any such law or rights, and covenant that they shall not delay or impede the execution of any power in this Indenture granted to the Trustee or the Holders of the Notes but will permit the execution of every power as though the law had not been enacted or rights created.

Section 5.17. Sale of Collateral.

(a) The power to effect any sale (a “Sale”) of any portion of the Collateral pursuant to Sections 5.4 and 5.5 shall not be exhausted by any one or more Sales as to any portion of the Collateral remaining unsold, but shall continue unimpaired until the entire Collateral is sold or all amounts secured by the Collateral have been paid. The Trustee may upon notice to the Holders of the Notes and the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates), and shall, at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class from time to time postpone any Sale by public announcement made at the time and place of the Sale. The Trustee waives its rights to any amount fixed by law as compensation for any Sale. The Trustee may deduct the reasonable expenses incurred by it in connection with a Sale from its proceeds notwithstanding Section 6.7.

(b) The Trustee may bid for and acquire any portion of the Collateral in connection with a public Sale of the Collateral, and may pay all or part of the purchase price by crediting against amounts owing on the Notes or other amounts secured by the Collateral all or part of the net proceeds of the Sale after deducting the reasonable expenses incurred by the Trustee in connection with the Sale notwithstanding Section 6.7. The Notes need not be produced to complete any Sale, or for the net proceeds of the Sale to be credited against amounts owing on the Notes (in the case of the Collateral). The Trustee may hold, lease, operate, manage, or otherwise deal with any property so acquired in any manner permitted by law in accordance with this Indenture.

(c) If any portion of the Collateral consists of securities issued without registration under the Securities Act (“Unregistered Securities”), the Trustee may seek an Opinion of Counsel, or, if no Opinion of Counsel can be obtained, seek a no action position from the Securities and Exchange Commission or any other relevant federal or state regulatory authorities, regarding the legality of a public or private Sale of the Unregistered Securities.

(d) The Trustee shall execute and deliver an appropriate instrument of transfer transferring its interest in any portion of the Collateral in connection with its Sale. In addition, the Trustee is irrevocably appointed the agent and attorney-in-fact of the Issuer to transfer its interest in any portion of the Collateral in connection with its Sale, and to take all action necessary to effect the Sale. No purchaser or transferee at a Sale shall be bound to ascertain the Trustee’s authority, to inquire into the satisfaction of any conditions precedent, or see to the application of any monies.

Section 5.18. Action on the Notes.

The Trustee’s right to seek and recover judgment on the Notes or under this Indenture shall not be affected by the seeking or obtaining of or application for any other relief under or with respect to this Indenture. Neither the lien of this Indenture nor any rights or remedies of the Trustee or

the Holders of the Notes shall be impaired by the recovery of any judgment by the Trustee against the Issuer or by the levy of any execution under the judgment on any portion of the Collateral or on any of the assets of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

## ARTICLE 6

### THE TRUSTEE

#### Section 6.1. Certain Duties and Responsibilities.

(a) Except during the continuance of an Event of Default:

(i) the Trustee undertakes to perform the duties and only the duties specifically provided in this Indenture, and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Indenture against the Trustee; and

(ii) in the absence of bad faith on its part, the Trustee may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements and the correctness of the opinions expressed therein, on certificates or opinions furnished to the Trustee and conforming to the requirements of this Indenture; the Trustee shall examine any certificates or opinions that by any provision of this Indenture are specifically required to be furnished to the Trustee to determine whether or not they substantially conform on their face to the requirements of this Indenture and shall promptly notify the party delivering the same if the certificate or opinion does not conform. If a corrected form has not been delivered to the Trustee within 15 days after the notice from the Trustee, the Trustee shall so notify the Holders of the Notes and the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates).

(b) If the Trustee has actual knowledge that an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall, before the receipt of directions from a Majority of the Controlling Class, exercise the rights and powers vested in it by this Indenture, and use the same degree of care and skill in its exercise, as a prudent person would use under the circumstances in the conduct of the person's own affairs.

(c) No provision of this Indenture shall be construed to relieve the Trustee from liability for its own negligent action, its own negligent failure to act, or its own willful misconduct, except that:

(i) this subsection shall not be construed to limit the effect of subsection (a) of this Section 6.1;

(ii) the Trustee shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by a Trust Officer, unless it is proven that the Trustee was negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts;

(iii) the Trustee shall not be liable with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in good faith in accordance with the direction of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or the Portfolio Manager in accordance with this Indenture or a Majority (or the other percentage required by this Indenture) of the Controlling Class (or other Class if required or permitted by this Indenture); and

(iv) no provision of this Indenture shall require the Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any extraordinary financial liability in the performance of any of its duties under this Indenture, or in the exercise of any of its rights contemplated under this Indenture, if it

has reasonable grounds for believing that repayment of the funds or indemnity satisfactory to it against the risk or liability is not reasonably assured to it; provided that the reasonable costs of performing its ordinary services under this Indenture shall not be deemed an “extraordinary financial liability” for purposes hereof.

(d) For all purposes under this Indenture, the Trustee shall not have notice or knowledge of any Event of Default described in Section 5.1(d) through 5.1(i) or any Default described in Section 5.1(e) through 5.1(i) unless a Trust Officer assigned to and working in the Corporate Trust Office has actual knowledge of it or unless written notice of any event that is in fact the an Event of Default or Default is received by the Trustee at the Corporate Trust Office, and the notice references the Notes generally the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Collateral or this Indenture. For purposes of determining the Trustee’s responsibility and liability under this Indenture, whenever reference is made in this Indenture to an Event of Default or a Default, the reference shall be construed to refer only to an Event of Default or Default of which the Trustee has notice as described in this Section 6.1.

(e) Whether or not therein expressly so provided, every provision of this Indenture relating to the conduct or affecting the liability of or affording protection to the Trustee shall be subject to this Section 6.1 and Section 6.3.

Section 6.2. Notice of Default.

Promptly (and in no event later than five Business Days) after the occurrence of any Default known to the Trustee or after any declaration of acceleration has been made or delivered to the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.2, the Trustee shall transmit notice of all Defaults under this Indenture known to the Trustee, unless the Default has been cured or waived, and of the declaration by mail to the Portfolio Manager and the Co-Issuers, each Rating Agency, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates) and to all Holders of Notes, as their names and addresses appear on the Indenture Register, and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee). In addition, (i) if and for so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of such stock exchange so require, notices to the Holders of such Notes shall also be given by the Irish Paying and Listing Agent by publishing in the Irish Stock Exchange’s Daily Official List and (ii) the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange, for so long as any Class E Certificates, Class Q-1 Securities or Class P Securities are listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require.

Section 6.3. Certain Rights of Trustee.

Except as otherwise provided in Section 6.1:

(a) the Trustee may rely and shall be protected in acting or refraining from acting on any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, note, or other paper or document (including but not limited to any reports prepared and delivered under Article 10) believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties;

(b) any request or direction of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer mentioned in this Indenture shall be sufficiently evidenced by an Issuer Request or Issuer Order;

(c) whenever in the administration of this Indenture the Trustee

(i) deems it desirable that a matter be proved or established before taking, suffering, or omitting any action under this Indenture, the Trustee may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely on an Officer's certificate (unless other evidence is specifically prescribed in this Indenture) or

(ii) is required to determine the value of, or any other matter with respect to, any Collateral or funds under this Indenture or the cash flows projected to be received therefrom, the Trustee may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely on reports of nationally recognized accountants, investment bankers, or other persons qualified to provide the information required to make the determination, including nationally recognized dealers in securities of the type being valued and securities quotation services;

(d) as a condition to taking or omitting to take any action under this Indenture, the Trustee may consult with counsel and the advice of the counsel or any Opinion of Counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection with respect to any action taken or omitted by it under this Indenture in good faith and in reliance thereon;

(e) the Trustee need not exercise any of the rights or powers vested in it by this Indenture at the request or direction of any of the Holders of the Indenture Securities pursuant to this Indenture, unless the Holders have offered to the Trustee security or indemnity satisfactory to it against the costs and liabilities that might reasonably be incurred by it in compliance with the request or direction;

(f) the Trustee need not make any investigation into the facts or matters stated in any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, note, or other paper or document, but the Trustee, in its discretion, may, and upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class or of a Rating Agency shall, make any the further inquiry or investigation into the facts or matters that it deems appropriate or as it is directed, and the Trustee shall be entitled, on reasonable prior notice to the Co-Issuers and the Portfolio Manager, to examine the books and records relating to the Notes and the Collateral, personally or by agent or attorney, during the Co-Issuers' or the Portfolio Manager's normal business hours. The Trustee shall, and shall cause its agents to, hold in confidence all such information, except to the extent (i) disclosure may be required by law by any regulatory or administrative authority and (ii) that the Trustee, in its sole judgment, determines that disclosure is consistent with its obligations under this Indenture; provided, however, that the Trustee may disclose on a confidential basis any such information to its agents, attorneys and auditors in connection with the performance of its responsibilities hereunder;

(g) the Trustee may execute any of the trusts or powers under this Indenture or perform any duties under this Indenture either directly or by or through agents or attorneys, and the Trustee shall not be responsible for any misconduct or negligence on the part of any non-Affiliated agent, or non-Affiliated attorney, appointed with due care by it under this Indenture;

(h) the Trustee shall not be liable for any action it takes or omits to take in good faith that it reasonably believes to be authorized or within its rights or powers under this Indenture;

(i) nothing in this Indenture shall be construed to impose an obligation on the Trustee to recalculate, evaluate, or verify any report, certificate, or information received from the Issuer or Portfolio Manager;

(j) the Trustee may request and receive (and rely on) instruction from the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, or the accountants identified in the Accountants' Certificate (and in the absence of its receipt of timely instruction from them, may obtain from an Independent accountant at the expense of the

Issuer) as to the application of GAAP to the extent any defined term in this Indenture, or any calculation required to be made or determined by the Trustee under this Indenture, is dependent on or defined by reference to United States generally accepted accounting principles (“GAAP”), in any instance;

(k) the permissive rights of the Trustee to take or refrain from taking any actions enumerated in this Indenture are not duties;

(l) the Trustee is not responsible for the accuracy of the books and records of, or for any acts or omissions of, the Depositary, any Transfer Agent, Custodian, Issuer Accounts Securities Intermediary, Class P-1 Accounts Securities Intermediary, Class P-2 Accounts Securities Intermediary, Collateral Administrator, Clearstream, Euroclear, Calculation Agent, or any Paying Agent (in each case, other than the Bank acting in that capacity);

(m) in making or disposing of any investment permitted by this Indenture, the Trustee is authorized to deal with itself (in its individual capacity) or with any one or more of its Affiliates, whether it or the Affiliate is acting as a subagent of the Trustee or for any third person or dealing as principal for its own account. If otherwise qualified, obligations of the Bank or any of its Affiliates shall qualify as Eligible Investments under this Indenture; and

(n) if the Bank is also acting in the capacity of Paying Agent, Transfer Agent, Custodian, Calculation Agent, Issuer Accounts Securities Intermediary, Class P-1 Accounts Securities Intermediary or Class P-2 Accounts Securities Intermediary under this Indenture, the rights protections, immunities, and indemnities afforded to the Trustee pursuant to this Article 6 shall also be afforded to the Bank acting in those capacities.

#### Section 6.4. Not Responsible for Recitals or Issuance of Indenture Securities.

The recitals contained in this Indenture and in the Indenture Securities, other than the Certificate of Authentication, shall be taken as the statements of the Applicable Issuers. The Trustee assumes no responsibility for their correctness. The Trustee makes no representation as to the validity or sufficiency of this Indenture (except as may be made with respect to the validity of the Trustee’s obligations under this Indenture), the Collateral or the Indenture Securities. The Trustee shall not be accountable for the use or application by the Co-Issuers of the Indenture Securities or their proceeds or any money paid to the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture.

#### Section 6.5. May Hold Indenture Securities.

The Trustee, any Paying Agent, Indenture Registrar, or any other agent of the Co-Issuers, in its individual or any other capacity, may become the owner or pledgee of Indenture Securities and may otherwise deal with the Co-Issuers or any of their Affiliates with the same rights it would have if it were not Trustee, Paying Agent, Indenture Registrar, or other agent.

#### Section 6.6. Money Held in Trust.

Money held by the Trustee under this Indenture shall be held in trust to the extent required in this Indenture. The Trustee shall be under no liability for interest on any money received by it under this Indenture except as otherwise agreed on with the Issuer and except to the extent of income or other gain on investments that are deposits in or certificates of deposit of the Bank in its commercial capacity and income or other gain actually received by the Trustee on Eligible Investments. Under no circumstances shall the Trustee be responsible for any losses on investments made in accordance with an



Issuer Order or a written order or request by the Portfolio Manager, unless such investment is made in an obligation of the Trustee in its corporate capacity.

Section 6.7. Compensation and Reimbursement.

(a) The Issuer agrees:

(i) to pay the Trustee on each Payment Date reasonable compensation for all services rendered by it under this Indenture in accordance with its letter agreement with the Trustee (which compensation shall not be limited by any provision of law in regard to the compensation of a trustee of an express trust);

(ii) except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture or in its letter agreement with the Trustee, to reimburse the Trustee in a timely manner upon its request for all reasonable expenses, disbursements, and advances incurred or made by the Trustee in accordance with this Indenture (including securities transaction charges and the reasonable compensation and expenses and disbursements of its agents and legal counsel and of any accounting firm or investment banking firm employed by the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.4, 5.5, 10.5, or 10.7, except any such expense, disbursement, or advance attributable to its negligence, willful misconduct, or bad faith) but with respect to securities transaction charges, only to the extent they have not been waived during a Due Period due to the Trustee's receipt of a payment from a financial institution with respect to certain Eligible Investments, as specified by the Portfolio Manager;

(iii) to indemnify the Trustee and its officers, directors, employees, and agents for any loss, liability, or expense incurred without negligence, willful misconduct, or bad faith on their part, arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of this trust, including the costs and expenses of defending themselves (including reasonable attorney's fees and costs) against any claim or liability in connection with the exercise or performance of any of their powers or duties under this Indenture; and

(iv) to pay the Trustee reasonable additional compensation together with its expenses (including reasonable counsel fees and costs) for any collection action taken pursuant to Section 6.13.

(b) The Trustee's fees shall be calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed divided by 360.

(c) The Trustee shall receive amounts pursuant to this Section 6.7 as provided in Sections 11.1(a)(i) and (ii) but only to the extent that funds are available for their payment. Subject to Section 6.9, the Trustee shall continue to serve as Trustee under this Indenture notwithstanding the fact that the Trustee has not received amounts due to it under this Indenture. No direction by the Holders of the Indenture Securities shall affect the right of the Trustee to collect amounts owed to it under this Indenture. If on any date when a fee is payable to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture insufficient funds are available for its payment any portion of a fee not so paid shall be deferred and payable on the next date on which a fee is payable and sufficient funds are available for it.

(d) The Trustee agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer for the non-payment to the Trustee of any amounts provided by this Section 6.7 until at least one year and one day, or if longer the applicable preference period then in effect plus one day, after the payment in full of all Notes issued under this Indenture (and the reduction of the Commitment in respect of the Class A-1A Notes to zero) and the payment to the Class E Certificates Paying Agent of all amounts

payable with respect to the Class E Certificates in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Nothing in this Section 6.7(d) shall prohibit or otherwise prevent the Trustee from filing proofs of claim in any bankruptcy, insolvency or similar proceeding.

Section 6.8. Corporate Trustee Required; Eligibility.

There shall at all times be a Trustee under this Indenture that is an Independent entity organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America or of any state of the United States, authorized under those laws to exercise corporate trust powers, having a combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000, subject to supervision or examination by federal or state banking authority, having a rating of at least “Baa1” (and not on credit watch with negative implications) by Moody’s and at least “BBB+” by S&P, and having an office within the United States. If the Trustee publishes reports of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or to the requirements of its supervising or examining authority, then for the purposes of this Section 6.8, the combined capital and surplus of the Trustee shall be its combined capital and surplus in its most recent published report of condition. If at any time the Trustee ceases to be eligible in accordance with this Section 6.8, it shall resign immediately in the manner and with the effect specified in Section 6.9.

Section 6.9. Resignation and Removal; Appointment of Successor.

(a) No resignation or removal of the Trustee and no appointment of a successor Trustee pursuant to this Article 6 shall become effective until the acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee under Section 6.10. The indemnification in favor of the Trustee shall survive any resignation or removal of the Trustee.

(b) The Trustee may resign at any time by giving not less than 30 days written notice to the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager, the Holders of the Notes, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates) and each Rating Agency. Upon receiving the notice of resignation, the Co-Issuers shall at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class promptly appoint a successor trustee satisfying the requirements of Section 6.8, by written instrument, in duplicate, executed by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer and an Authorized Officer of the Co-Issuer, one copy of which shall be delivered to the resigning Trustee and one copy to the successor Trustee, together with a copy to each Holder of Notes, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates) and the Portfolio Manager. If no successor Trustee has been appointed and an instrument of acceptance by a successor Trustee has not been delivered to the Trustee within 60 days after the giving of the notice of resignation, the resigning Trustee or any Holder of a Note, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee satisfying the requirements of Section 6.8.

(c) The Trustee may be removed (i) at any time (including, for the avoidance of doubt, when an Event of Default is continuing) by a Majority of the Controlling Class, or (ii) by order of a court of competent jurisdiction, delivered to the Trustee and to the Co-Issuers.

(d) If at any time:

(i) the Trustee ceases to be eligible under Section 6.8 and fails to resign after written request by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class; or

(ii) the Trustee becomes incapable of acting or is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent or a receiver or liquidator of the Trustee or of its property appointed or any public officer takes charge

or control of the Trustee or of its property or affairs for the purpose of rehabilitation, conservation, or liquidation,

then, in any such case (subject to Section 6.9(a)), (A) the Co-Issuers, by Issuer Order, may, and at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall, remove the Trustee, or (B) subject to Section 5.15, or any Holder may, on behalf of itself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(e) If the Trustee is removed or becomes incapable of acting, or if a vacancy occurs in the office of the Trustee for any reason (other than resignation), the Co-Issuers, by Issuer Order or at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, shall promptly appoint a successor Trustee. If the Co-Issuers fail to appoint a successor Trustee within 60 days after the removal or incapability or the occurrence of the vacancy, a successor Trustee may be appointed by a Majority of the Controlling Class by written instrument delivered to the Issuer and the retiring Trustee. The successor Trustee so appointed shall, upon its acceptance of its appointment, become the successor Trustee and supersede any successor Trustee proposed by the Co-Issuers. If no successor Trustee has been so appointed by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class and accepted appointment pursuant to Section 6.10, subject to Section 5.15, then the Trustee to be replaced, or any Holder, may, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(f) The Co-Issuers shall give prompt notice of each resignation and each removal of the Trustee and each appointment of a successor Trustee by mailing written notice of the event by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the Portfolio Manager, to each Rating Agency, to the Holders of Notes as their names and addresses appear in the Indenture Register and to the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates). Each notice shall include the name of the successor Trustee and the address of its Corporate Trust Office. If the Co-Issuers fail to mail the notice within ten days after acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee, the successor Trustee shall cause the notice to be given at the expense of the Co-Issuers.

#### Section 6.10. Acceptance of Appointment by Successor.

Every successor Trustee appointed under this Indenture shall execute, acknowledge, and deliver to the Co-Issuers and the retiring Trustee an instrument accepting its appointment. Upon delivery of the required instruments, the resignation or removal of the retiring Trustee shall become effective and the successor Trustee, without any further act, shall become vested with all the rights and obligations of the retiring Trustee; but, on request of the Co-Issuers or a Majority of any Class of Notes or the successor Trustee, the retiring Trustee shall, upon payment of any amounts then due to it, execute and deliver an instrument transferring to the successor Trustee all the rights and obligations of the retiring Trustee, and shall duly assign, transfer, and deliver to the successor Trustee all property and money held by the retiring Trustee under this Indenture. Upon request of any successor Trustee, the Co-Issuers shall execute any instruments to more fully and certainly vest in and confirm to the successor Trustee all the rights and obligations of the Trustee under this Indenture.

No successor Trustee shall accept its appointment unless at the time of its acceptance the successor is qualified and eligible under Section 6.8 and either (a) each Rating Agency has been notified and the successor has long-term debt rated within the four highest rating categories by each Rating Agency, or (b) if not rated within the four highest categories by each Rating Agency, the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto.

Section 6.11. Merger, Conversion, Consolidation, or Succession to Business of Trustee.

Any entity into which the Trustee may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any entity resulting from any merger, conversion, or consolidation to which the Trustee is a party, or any entity succeeding to all or substantially all of the corporate trust business of the Trustee, shall be the successor of the Trustee under this Indenture (and of the Bank under all of its other capacities under this Indenture, including as Custodian, Issuer Accounts Securities Intermediary, Class P-1 Accounts Securities Intermediary, Class P-2 Accounts Securities Intermediary, Indenture Registrar, and Paying Agent) without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto. If any of the Notes have been authenticated, but not delivered, by the Trustee then in office, any successor by merger, conversion, or consolidation to the authenticating Trustee may adopt the authentication and deliver the Notes so authenticated with the same effect as if the successor Trustee had itself authenticated the Notes.

Section 6.12. Co-Trustees.

At any time, to meet the legal requirements of any jurisdiction in which any part of the Collateral may at the time be located, the Co-Issuers and the Trustee may appoint a co-trustee (subject to the approval of the Rating Agencies) to act jointly with the Trustee, with respect to all or any part of the Collateral, with the power to file proofs of claim and take any other actions pursuant to Section 5.6 in this Indenture and to make claims and enforce rights of action on behalf of the Holders of the Notes and the, as the Holders themselves have the right to do, subject to the other provisions of this Section 6.12.

The Co-Issuers shall join with the Trustee in the execution, delivery, and performance of all instruments and agreements necessary or proper to appoint a co-trustee. If the Co-Issuers do not join in the appointment within 15 days after they receive a request to do so, the Trustee may make the appointment.

Any instruments to more fully confirm a co-trustee's appointment shall, on request, be executed, acknowledged, and delivered by the Co-Issuers. The Co-Issuers agree to pay (but only from and to the extent of the Collateral), to the extent funds are available therefor under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1), any reasonable fees and expenses in connection with the appointment.

Every co-trustee shall, to the extent permitted by law, but to that extent only, be appointed subject to the following terms:

(a) the Notes shall be authenticated and delivered and all rights and obligations under this Indenture in respect of the custody of securities, cash, and other personal property held by, or required to be deposited or pledged with, the Trustee under this Indenture, shall be exercised solely by the Trustee;

(b) the rights and obligations conferred or imposed on the Trustee in respect of any property covered by the appointment of a co-trustee shall be conferred or imposed on and exercised or performed by the Trustee or by the Trustee and the co-trustee jointly as provided in the instrument appointing the co-trustee;

(c) the Trustee at any time, by an instrument in writing executed by it, with the concurrence of the Co-Issuers evidenced by an Issuer Order, may accept the resignation of or remove any co-trustee appointed under this Section 6.12, and if an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall have the power to accept the resignation of, or remove, any co-trustee without the concurrence of the Co-

Issuers. A successor to any co-trustee so resigned or removed may be appointed in the manner provided in this Section 6.12;

(d) no co-trustee under this Indenture shall be personally liable because of any act or omission of the Trustee under this Indenture;

(e) the Trustee shall not be liable because of any act or omission of a co-trustee; and

(f) any Act of Holders of Notes delivered to the Trustee shall be deemed to have been delivered to each co-trustee.

Section 6.13. Certain Duties of Trustee Related to Delayed Payment of Proceeds.

If in any month the Trustee has not received a payment with respect to any Pledged Obligation on its Due Date:

(a) the Trustee shall promptly notify the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager in writing, and

(b) unless the payment is received by the Trustee within three Business Days (or the end of the applicable grace period for the payment, if longer) after the notice, or unless the Issuer, in its absolute discretion (but only to the extent permitted by Section 10.2(a)), makes provision for the payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with Section 10.2(a),

the Trustee shall request the issuer of the Pledged Obligation, the trustee under the related Underlying Instrument, or paying agent designated by either of them to make the payment as soon as practicable after the request but in no event later than three Business Days after the date of the request. If the payment is not made within that time period, the Trustee, subject to clause (iv) of Section 6.1(c), shall take the action directed by the Portfolio Manager in writing. Any such action shall be without prejudice to any right to claim a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture. If the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager requests a release of a Pledged Obligation or delivers a Collateral Obligation in connection with any such action under the Management Agreement, the release or substitution shall be subject to Section 10.7 and Article 12. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the Trustee shall deliver to the Issuer or its designee any payment with respect to any Pledged Obligation or any Collateral Obligation received after its Due Date to the extent the Issuer previously made provisions for the payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with this Section 6.13 and the payment shall not be part of the Collateral.

Section 6.14. Authenticating Agents.

Upon the request of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee shall, and if the Trustee so chooses the Trustee may, appoint one or more Authenticating Agents with power to act on its behalf and subject to its direction in the authentication of Indenture Securities in connection with issuance, transfers, and exchanges under Sections 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7 and 8.5, as fully to all intents and purposes as though each Authenticating Agent had been expressly authorized by those Sections to authenticate the Notes. For all purposes of this Indenture, the authentication of Indenture Securities by an Authenticating Agent pursuant to this Section 6.14 shall be the authentication of Indenture Securities “by the Trustee.”

Any Authenticating Agent may at any time resign by giving written notice of resignation to the Trustee and the Issuer. The Trustee may at any time terminate the agency of any Authenticating Agent by giving written notice of termination to the Authenticating Agent and the Co-Issuers.

The Co-Issuers agree to pay to each Authenticating Agent from time to time reasonable compensation for its services, and reimbursement for its reasonable expenses relating to its services as an Administrative Expense; provided, however, that if the Trustee elects to appoint an Authenticating Agent without the approval or request of the Co-Issuers, then the Trustee shall pay such compensation and reimbursement. Sections 2.9, 6.4, and 6.5 shall be applicable to any Authenticating Agent.

Section 6.15. Fiduciary for Holders of Notes Only; Agent for Secured Parties.

With respect to the security interest created under this Indenture, the Delivery of any Pledged Obligation to the Trustee is to the Trustee as fiduciary for the Holders of Notes and agent for the other Secured Parties. With respect to the security interest created under this Indenture, the Delivery of any Class P-1 Collateral to the Trustee is to the Trustee as fiduciary for the Holders of Class P-1 Securities. With respect to the security interest created under this Indenture, the Delivery of any Class P-2 Collateral to the Trustee is to the Trustee as fiduciary for the Holders of Class P-2 Securities.

Section 6.16. Representations and Warranties of the Bank.

The Bank represents and warrants as follows for the benefit of the Noteholders:

(a) Organization. The Bank has been duly organized and is validly existing as a national banking association and has the power to conduct its business and affairs as a trustee.

(b) Authorization; Binding Obligations. The Bank has the corporate power and authority to perform the duties and obligations of trustee under this Indenture. The Bank has taken all necessary corporate action to authorize the execution, delivery, and performance of this Indenture, and all of the documents required to be executed by the Bank pursuant to this Indenture. Upon execution and delivery by the Bank, this Indenture will be the valid and legally binding obligation of the Bank enforceable in accordance with its terms.

(c) Eligibility. The Bank is eligible under Section 6.8 to serve as Trustee under this Indenture.

Section 6.17. Additional Reporting Requirements.

If the Initial Purchaser elects to enter into a posting dealer agreement pursuant to Section 7.19, upon the effectiveness of the posting dealer agreement, the Issuer shall provide to The Bond Market Association certain documents for posting in the Repository as mutually agreed between the Portfolio Manager and the Initial Purchaser.

If the Initial Purchaser has entered into a posting dealer agreement, as promptly as possible following the execution of any supplemental indenture under Article 8, the Trustee, on behalf of and at the expense of the Issuer, shall deliver a copy of such supplemental indenture to the Repository in the manner described in Section 14.3(a)(viii).

## ARTICLE 7

### COVENANTS

#### Section 7.1. Payment of Principal and Interest.

The Applicable Issuers shall pay the principal of and interest on the Notes in accordance with the Notes and this Indenture. The Issuer shall, subject to the Priority of Payments, reimburse the Co-Issuer for any amounts paid by the Co-Issuer pursuant to the Notes or this Indenture. The Co-Issuer shall not reimburse the Issuer for any amounts paid by the Issuer pursuant to the Notes or this Indenture.

Amounts properly withheld under the Code or other applicable law by any person from a payment to any Holder shall be considered as having been paid by the Applicable Issuers to the Holder for all purposes of this Indenture.

All payments under the Class A-1A Notes and the Class A-1B Notes to any Holder thereof will be made by the Issuer without any deduction or withholding for or on account of any Tax unless such deduction or withholding is required by any applicable law, as modified by the practice of any relevant governmental revenue authority, then in effect. If the Issuer is so required to deduct or withhold, then the Issuer (or its agent) will: (i) notify each affected Holder of such requirement no later than ten days prior to the date of the payment from which amounts are required to be withheld (*provided that*, despite the failure of the Issuer to give such notice, amounts withheld pursuant to applicable laws shall be considered as having been paid by the Co-Issuers as provided above); (ii) pay to the relevant authorities the full amount required to be deducted or withheld promptly upon the earlier of determining that such deduction or withholding is required or receiving notice that such amount has been assessed against the affected Holder; and (iii) promptly forward to the affected Holder documentation reasonably acceptable to the affected Holder evidencing such payment to such authorities.

#### Section 7.2. Maintenance of Office or Agency.

The Co-Issuers appoint the Trustee as a Paying Agent for the payment of principal of and interest on the Notes. The Co-Issuers appoint JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, 600 Travis Street, 50<sup>th</sup> Floor, Houston, Texas 77002, telecopy no. (713) 216-2101, Attention: Worldwide Securities Services—Liberty CLO, Ltd., as the Co-Issuers' agent where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Notes or this Indenture may be served and where Notes may be surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

The Co-Issuers may at any time and from time to time vary or terminate the appointment of any Paying Agent and/or appoint any additional agents, including, without limitation, as may be required under the rules of the Irish Stock Exchange or the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange.

So long as any Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of such exchange so require, the Co-Issuers shall maintain in Ireland a Paying Agent and an office or agency where notices and demands to or upon the Co-Issuers in respect of such Notes and this Indenture may be served.

The Co-Issuers hereby appoint, for so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, NCB Stockbrokers (the "Irish Paying and Listing Agent") as Paying Agent and Listing Agent in Ireland with respect to the Notes listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, for the payment of principal and interest on such Notes and as the Co-Issuers' agent where notices and demands to or upon the Co-Issuers in respect of such Notes or this Indenture may be served. In the event that the Irish Paying and

Listing Agent is replaced at any time during such period, notice of the appointment of any replacement will be published in the *Daily Official List* of the Irish Stock Exchange as promptly as practicable after such appointment.

The Co-Issuers shall maintain in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, an office or agency where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Notes and this Indenture may be served and an office or agency outside of the United States where Notes may be presented and surrendered for payment.

No paying agent shall be appointed in a jurisdiction that subjects payments on the Notes to withholding tax.

If at any time the Co-Issuers fail to maintain any required office or agency in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, or outside the United States, or fail to furnish the Trustee with their addresses, notices and demands may be served on the Co-Issuers.

Section 7.3. Money for Note Payments to be Held in Trust.

All payments of amounts payable with respect to any Notes that are to be made from amounts withdrawn from the Payment Account shall be made on behalf of the Applicable Issuers by the Trustee or a Paying Agent with respect to payments on the Notes.

When the Applicable Issuers have a Paying Agent that is not also the Indenture Registrar, they shall furnish no later than the fifth calendar day after each Record Date a list in the form the Paying Agent reasonably requests, of the names and addresses of the Holders and of the certificate numbers of individual Notes held by each Holder.

Whenever the Applicable Issuers have a Paying Agent other than the Trustee, they shall, on or before the Business Day before each Payment Date or Redemption Date direct the Trustee to deposit on the Payment Date with the Paying Agent an aggregate sum sufficient to pay the amounts then becoming due (to the extent funds are then available for that purpose in the Payment Account), that sum to be held in trust for the benefit of the persons entitled to it and (unless the Paying Agent is the Trustee) the Co-Issuers shall promptly notify the Trustee of its action or failure so to act. Any monies deposited with a Paying Agent (other than the Trustee) in excess of an amount sufficient to pay the amounts then becoming due on the Notes with respect to which the deposit was made shall be paid over by the Paying Agent to the Trustee for application in accordance with Article 10.

Additional or successor Paying Agents shall be appointed by Issuer Order with written notice of the appointment to the Trustee. So long as Notes of any Class are rated by a Rating Agency any Paying Agent must either have a long-term debt rating of “Aa3” (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or higher by Moody’s and “AA-” or higher by S&P or a short-term debt rating of “P-1” (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) by Moody’s and “A-1+” by S&P or the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency must be satisfied with respect to its appointment. If a successor Paying Agent ceases to have a long-term debt rating of “Aa3” (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or higher by Moody’s and “AA-” or higher by S&P or a short-term debt rating of “P-1” (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) by Moody’s and a short-term debt rating of “A-1+” by S&P, the Co-Issuers shall promptly remove the Paying Agent and appoint a successor Paying Agent. The Co-Issuers shall not appoint any Paying Agent that is not, at the time of the appointment, a depository institution or trust company subject to supervision and examination by federal or state or national banking authorities. The Co-Issuers shall cause each Paying Agent other than the Trustee to



execute and deliver to the Trustee an instrument in which the Paying Agent agrees with the Trustee, subject to this Section 7.3, that the Paying Agent will:

- (i) allocate all sums received for payment to the Holders of Notes for which it acts as Paying Agent on each Payment Date and any Redemption Date among the Holders in the proportion specified in the applicable report to the extent permitted by applicable law;
- (ii) hold all sums held by it for the payment of amounts due with respect to the Notes in trust for the benefit of the persons entitled to them until they are paid or otherwise disposed of as provided in this Indenture;
- (iii) immediately resign as a Paying Agent and forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums held by it in trust for the payment of the Notes if at any time it ceases to meet the standards required to be met by a Paying Agent at the time of its appointment;
- (iv) immediately give the Trustee notice of any default by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer (or any other obligor on the Notes) in the making of any payment required to be made; and
- (v) during the continuance of any such default, upon the written request of the Trustee, forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums so held in trust by the Paying Agent.

To obtain the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture or for any other purpose, the Co-Issuers may at any time pay, or by Issuer Order direct any Paying Agent to pay, to the Trustee all sums held in trust by the Co-Issuers or the Paying Agent, and, upon the payment by any Paying Agent to the Trustee, the Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to the money paid.

Any money deposited with a Paying Agent and not previously returned that remains unclaimed for 20 Business Days shall be returned to the Trustee. Except as otherwise required by applicable law, any money deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for the payment of the principal of or interest on any Note and remaining unclaimed for two years after the principal or interest has become payable shall be paid to the Applicable Issuers. The Holder of the Note shall thereafter look only to the Applicable Issuers for payment of the amounts due to it as an unsecured general creditor and all liability of the Trustee or the Paying Agent with respect to that money (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Applicable Issuers) shall thereupon cease. The Trustee or the Paying Agent, before being required to release any payment, may, but shall not be required to, adopt and employ, at the expense of the Applicable Issuers any reasonable means of notification of the release of the payment, including mailing notice of the release to Holders whose Notes have been called but have not been surrendered for redemption or whose right to or interest in monies payable but not claimed is determinable from the records of any Paying Agent, at the last address of record of each Holder.

#### Section 7.4. Existence of Co-Issuers.

(a) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall maintain in full force their existence and rights as companies incorporated or organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands and the State of Delaware, respectively, and shall obtain and preserve their qualification to do business as foreign corporations in each jurisdiction in which the qualifications are necessary to protect the validity and enforceability of this Indenture, the Notes, the Class E Certificates Paying Agency Agreement, the Class E Certificates or any of the Collateral.

However, the Issuer may change its jurisdiction of incorporation from the Cayman Islands to any other jurisdiction outside the United States reasonably selected by the Issuer so long as:

(A) the Issuer has received a legal opinion (on which the Trustee may rely) to the effect that the change is not disadvantageous in any material respect to the Holders, the Portfolio Manager or any Hedge Counterparty,

(B) written notice of the change has been given by the Issuer to the Trustee, the Holders of the Notes, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Class E Certificates), the Portfolio Manager, any Hedge Counterparty and each Rating Agency, and

(C) on or before the 15th Business Day following its receipt of the notice the Trustee has not received written notice from a Majority of the Controlling Class objecting to the change.

The Issuer may take any action required by this Indenture within the United States notwithstanding any provision of this Indenture requiring the Issuer to take the action outside of the United States so long as before taking the action the Issuer receives a legal opinion from nationally recognized legal counsel to the effect that it is not necessary to take the action outside of the United States or any political subdivision of the United States to prevent the Issuer from becoming subject to any United States federal, state, or local withholding, income or other taxes.

(b) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall ensure that all corporate or other formalities regarding their respective existences (including holding regular board of directors' and shareholders', or other similar, meetings to the extent required by applicable law) are followed. Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall take any action, or conduct its affairs in a manner, that is likely to result in its separate existence being ignored or in its assets and liabilities being substantively consolidated with any other person in a bankruptcy, reorganization, or other insolvency proceeding. Without limiting the foregoing,

(i) the Issuer shall not have any subsidiaries other than an entity the sole asset of which consists of, and the sole activity of which is the acquisition and ownership of, ETB/897 Assets or other Tax Affected Securities;

(ii) the Co-Issuer shall not have any subsidiaries;

(iii) the Issuer shall maintain at all times at least one director who is Independent of the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, and any of their respective Affiliates,

(iv) the Issuer shall not commingle its funds with the funds of any other person, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture, and

(v) except to the extent contemplated in the Management Agreement, the Administration Agreement, the Class E Certificates Paying Agency Agreement and the declaration of trust by the Share Trustee, the Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall not:

(A) have any employees (other than their respective directors),

(B) engage in any transaction with any shareholder that would be a conflict of interest (the entry into the Administration Agreement with the Administrator shall not be deemed a conflict of interest), or

(C) pay dividends in violation of this Indenture, the resolutions of its board of directors and the Class E Certificate Documents.

Section 7.5. Protection of Collateral.

(a) The Issuer shall cause the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, to procure any action within the Portfolio Manager's control that is reasonably necessary to maintain the perfection and priority of the security interest of the Trustee in the Collateral and the Class P Collateral. The Issuer from time to time shall execute and deliver any supplements and amendments to this Indenture and shall execute and deliver any Financing Statements, continuation statements, instruments of further assurance, and other instruments and shall take any other action appropriate to secure the rights and remedies of the Secured Parties and Class P Securityholders under this Indenture and to:

- (i) Grant more effectively all or any portion of the Collateral and Class P Collateral;
- (ii) maintain or preserve the lien (and its priority) of this Indenture or to carry out more effectively the purposes of this Indenture;
- (iii) perfect, publish notice of, or protect the validity of any Grant made by this Indenture (including any actions appropriate as a result of changes in law);
- (iv) enforce any rights under any Collateral or Class P Collateral;
- (v) preserve and defend title to the Collateral and the Class P Collateral and the rights of the Secured Parties in the Collateral and the Class P Securityholders in the applicable Class P Collateral against the claims of anyone; and
- (vi) pay when due all taxes levied or assessed on any part of the Collateral or Class P Collateral.

The Issuer designates the Portfolio Manager as its agent and attorney in fact to execute any Financing Statement, continuation statement, and all other instruments, and take all other actions, required pursuant to this Section 7.5.

The Issuer hereby authorizes the filing of a financing statement that names the Issuer as "debtor" and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association as "secured party" and that describes the Collateral and the Class P Collateral as "all assets in which the debtor now or hereafter has rights."

(b) The Trustee shall not, except in accordance with Section 10.7, permit the removal of any portion of the Collateral or Class P Collateral or transfer any such Collateral or Class P Collateral from the Account to which it is credited, or cause or permit any change in the Delivery made pursuant to Section 3.2 with respect to any Collateral or Class P Collateral, if after giving effect thereto the jurisdiction whose law governs the perfection of the Trustee's security interest in such Collateral or Class P Collateral is different from the jurisdiction whose law governed perfection at the time of delivery of the most recent Opinion of Counsel pursuant to Section 7.6 (or, if no Opinion of Counsel has yet been delivered pursuant to Section 7.6, the Opinion of Counsel delivered at the Closing Date pursuant to Section 3.1(iii)), unless the Trustee shall have received an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the lien and security interest created by this Indenture with respect to such property will continue to be maintained after giving effect to such action or actions.

(c) Without at least 30 days' prior written notice to the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall not change its "location" (as defined in Section 9-307 of the UCC) or change its name from the name shown on the signature pages of this Indenture.

(d) The Issuer shall, subject to the Priority of Payments, enforce all of its material rights and remedies under the Management Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Class E Certificates Paying Agency Agreement, each Hedge Agreement, each Securities Lending Agreement and each Synthetic Security Agreement.

(e) The Issuer shall pay any taxes levied because any Collateral or Class P Collateral is owned by the Issuer.

(f) The Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer will either exercise the “put” option that prevents a Collateral Obligation from being a Long-Dated Collateral Obligation on the last available date before the Stated Maturity of the Notes or sell the Collateral Obligation for Sale Proceeds at least equal to the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation, in either case by the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

Section 7.6. Opinions as to Collateral.

On or before March 31 in each calendar year, commencing in 2007, the Issuer shall furnish to the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager and each Rating Agency an Opinion of Counsel from each relevant jurisdiction stating that, in the counsel’s opinion, as of the date of the opinion, all actions necessary to maintain the lien and security interest created by this Indenture with respect to the Collateral and the Class P Collateral have been taken and that no further action (other than as specified in the opinion) needs to be taken for the continued effectiveness and perfection of the lien over the next year. The opinion may be subject to customary assumptions and qualifications.

Section 7.7. Performance of Obligations.

(a) The Co-Issuers, each as to itself, shall not take any action, and shall use their reasonable commercial efforts not to permit any action to be taken by others, that would release any person from any of the person’s covenants or obligations under any instrument included in the Collateral or Class P Collateral, except in the case of enforcement action taken with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this Indenture and actions by the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement and in conformity with this Indenture or as otherwise required by this Indenture.

(b) The Applicable Issuers may, with the prior written consent of a Majority of each Class of Notes and a Majority of the Class E Certificates (except in the case of the Management Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement as initially executed), contract with other persons (including the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, and the Collateral Administrator) for the performance of actions and obligations to be performed by the Applicable Issuers under this Indenture. Notwithstanding any such arrangement, the Applicable Issuers shall remain primarily liable for performance under this Indenture. The Applicable Issuers shall punctually perform, and use their reasonable commercial efforts to cause the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent and any other person to perform, all of their obligations in the Management Agreement, this Indenture, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Class E Certificates Paying Agency Agreement or any other agreement.

Section 7.8. Negative Covenants.

(a) The Issuer shall not and, with respect to clauses (ii), (iii), (iv), (vi), (viii), (ix) and (x), the Co-Issuer shall not, in each case from and after the Closing Date:

(i) sell, transfer, assign, exchange, or otherwise dispose of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecate, or otherwise encumber (or permit or suffer the sale, transfer, assignment, exchange, or other disposition of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecation, or other encumbering of), any part of the Collateral or Class P Collateral, except as expressly permitted or contemplated by this Indenture and the Management Agreement;

(ii) claim any credit on, make any deduction from, or, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable laws, dispute the enforceability of payment of the principal or interest (or any other amount) payable in respect of the Notes (other than amounts withheld in accordance with the Code or any applicable laws of the Cayman Islands) or assert any claim against any present or future Holder of Notes because of the payment of any taxes levied or assessed on any part of the Collateral or Class P Collateral;

(iii) (A) incur or assume or guarantee any indebtedness, other than the Notes and this Indenture and the transactions contemplated by this Indenture (including, as contemplated hereby, entering into the Hedge Agreements and Securities Lending Agreements), or (B) issue any additional class of securities other than the Class E Certificates issued on or before the Closing Date, except as otherwise permitted by the Class E Certificate Documents;

(iv) (A) permit the validity or effectiveness of this Indenture or any Grant under this Indenture to be impaired, or permit the lien of this Indenture to be amended, hypothecated, subordinated, terminated, or discharged, or permit any person to be released from any covenants or obligations with respect to this Indenture or the Notes, except as may be expressly permitted by this Indenture or by the Management Agreement, (B) permit any lien, charge, adverse claim, security interest, mortgage, or other encumbrance (other than any lien of or contemplated by this Indenture) to be created on or extend to or otherwise arise on or burden any part of the Collateral or the Class P Collateral, any interest in it, or its proceeds of, or (C) take any action that would permit the lien of this Indenture not to be a valid first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral or Class P Collateral, subject in the case of a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, to any lien in favor of the Synthetic Securities Counterparty;

(v) amend the Management Agreement except pursuant to its terms and Section 15.1(f)(v) or amend the Collateral Administration Agreement except pursuant to its terms unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the amendment or enter into any waiver in respect of any of the foregoing agreements without providing written notice to each Rating Agency and the Trustee (and, with respect to the Collateral Administration Agreement, without the consent of the Trustee);

(vi) to the extent permitted by applicable law, dissolve or liquidate in whole or in part, except as permitted under this Indenture;

(vii) pay any dividends or other distributions other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Class E Certificate Documents;

(viii) conduct business under any name other than its own;

(ix) have any employees (other than directors and officers to the extent they are employees);

(x) except for any Underlying Instrument and agreements involving the purchase or sale of Collateral Obligations having customary purchase or sale terms and documented with

customary trading documentation (but not excepting any Synthetic Security or Hedge Agreement), enter into any agreement unless the agreement contains “non-petition” and “limited recourse” provisions and shall not amend such provisions without prior satisfaction of the Rating Condition;

(xi) operate so as to be subject to U.S. federal, state or local income or franchise taxes on its net income except that it may acquire Tax Affected Securities as expressly provided herein, pending their sale or transfer in accordance with Section 12.1 hereof; and will not, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, (A) originate or make loans or hold itself out through advertising or otherwise, as originating loans, lending funds or making a market in or dealing in loans or other assets, (B) hold itself out as being willing and able to enter into derivative contracts or otherwise to enter into transactions with customers in the ordinary course of business, (C) solicit, advertise or publish its ability to, or otherwise hold itself out as generally willing to enter into, assume, offset, assign or otherwise terminate positions in, credit default swaps, total return swaps or other derivative transactions at the request of others, or (D) post or publish bid or offer quotations on or otherwise indicate its willingness to enter into or terminate credit default swaps, total return swaps and other derivative transactions on, any regular trading medium or quotation service for credit default swaps, total return swaps or other derivative transactions;

(xii) earn or receive from any Person any fee or other compensation for services, however denominated, in connection with its purchase or sale of a Collateral Obligation or entering into a Synthetic Security except for (A) commitment fees or facility maintenance fees that are received by the Issuer in connection with Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans; (B) yield maintenance and prepayment penalty fees; (C) fees on account of the Issuer’s consenting to amendments, waivers or other modifications of the terms of any Collateral Obligations; (D) fees from permitted securities lending; and (E) upfront payments in lieu of periodic payments under a Synthetic Security.

(xiii) except for services provided in connection with permitted fees as described in clause (xii) above, provide services to any Person;

(xiv) purchase any asset (directly or synthetically) that is treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as: (A) an equity interest in a “partnership” (within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(2) of the Code) or other fiscally transparent entity engaged or deemed to be engaged in a trade or business within the United States, or (B) a “United States real property interest” as defined in Section 897 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder; provided that the Issuer may acquire stock of a subsidiary and cause such subsidiary to acquire assets set forth in clauses (A) or (B) above (an “ETB/897 Asset”) that are received in connection with the workout of defaulted Collateral Obligations, so long as the acquisition of ETB/897 Assets by such subsidiary will not cause the stock of such subsidiary to be deemed to be an ETB/897 Asset;

(xv) acquire or enter into any Synthetic Security with respect to any Reference Obligation the direct acquisition of which would violate any provision of this Indenture hereto;

(xvi) use Synthetic Securities as a means of making advances to the Synthetic Security Counterparty following the date on which the Synthetic Security is acquired or entered into (for the avoidance of doubt, the establishment of Synthetic Security Collateral Accounts and the payment of Synthetic Security Counterparties from the amounts on deposit therein, in each case in accordance with the Indenture, shall not constitute the making of advances);

(xvii) acquire Synthetic Securities that require that the purchaser of credit protection thereunder own the applicable Reference Obligation or require by its terms the delivery of reports

or other information relating to the Reference Obligation if the effect of such requirement is that the purchaser of credit protection thereunder would be required to own the applicable Reference Obligation;

(xviii) purchase any Collateral Obligation primarily for the purpose of entering into a securities lending agreement with respect thereto and will not hold itself out as being willing or able to lend securities in the ordinary course of business;

(xix) register as, hold itself out as, or become subject to regulatory supervision or other legal requirements under the laws of any country or political subdivision thereof as a brokerdealer, a bank, an insurance company, financial guarantor, surety bond issuer, or a company engaged in loan origination;

(xx) take any action causing it to be treated as a bank, insurance company, or company engaged in loan origination for purposes of any tax, securities law or other filing or submission made to any governmental authority;

(xxi) hold itself out, through advertising or otherwise, as originating, funding, guaranteeing or insuring debt obligations or as being willing and able to enter into transactions (either purchases or sales of debt obligations or entries into, assignments or terminations of hedging or derivative instruments, including Synthetic Securities) at the request of others;

(xxii) treat Synthetic Securities as insurance, reinsurance, indemnity bonds, guaranties, guaranty bonds or suretyship contracts for any purpose;

(xxiii) disclose the identity of any holder of its Securities to any person from whom it purchases Collateral Obligations or attempt to obtain more favorable terms from any seller as a result of the identity of any holder of a Security;

(xxiv) allow any non-U.S. bank or lending institution who is a holder of a Security to control or direct the Portfolio Manager's or Issuer's decision to invest in a particular asset except as otherwise allowed to such a holder, acting in that capacity, under the Indenture or acquire a Collateral Obligation conditioned upon a particular person or entity holding Securities;

(xxv) acquire any asset whose ownership or disposition (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) would cause the Issuer to be subject to income tax on a net income basis (other than a Tax Affected Security as expressly permitted herein, pending its sale or transfer in accordance with Section 12.1 hereto);

(xxvi) hold any security as nominee for another person; or

(xxvii) buy securities with the intent to subdivide them and sell the components or to buy securities and sell them with different securities as a package or unit.

(b) Neither the Issuer nor the Trustee shall sell, transfer, exchange, or otherwise dispose of Collateral or Class P Collateral, or enter into an agreement or commitment to do so, or enter into or engage in any business with respect to any part of the Collateral or Class P Collateral, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer, the Management Agreement.

(c) The Co-Issuer shall not invest any of its assets in "securities" as the term is defined in the 1940 Act, and shall keep all of its assets in Cash.

(d) Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall use the proceeds of the Notes to buy or carry Margin Stock.

Section 7.9. Notice of Default; Statement as to Compliance.

(a) The Co-Issuers shall notify the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Rating Agencies, and each Hedge Counterparty within 10 days of acquiring actual knowledge of Default.

(b) On or before March 31 in each calendar year commencing in 2007 and prior to the issuance of any Additional Class E Certificates, the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee (to be forwarded by the Trustee to the Portfolio Manager and each Holder of Notes making a written request therefor and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) and each Rating Agency) a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer that, to the best knowledge of the Issuer, no Default exists, and no Default has existed since the date of the last certificate or, if a Default does then exist or had existed, specifying the same and its nature and status, including actions undertaken to remedy it, and that the Issuer has complied with all of its obligations under this Indenture or, if that is not the case, specifying those obligations with which it has not complied.

Section 7.10. Co-Issuers May Consolidate, etc., Only on Certain Terms.

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer (the “Merging Entity”) shall consolidate or merge with or into any other person or transfer or convey all or substantially all of its assets to any person, unless permitted by Cayman Islands law (in the case of the Issuer) or United States and Delaware law (in the case of the Co-Issuer) and unless:

(a) the Merging Entity shall be the surviving corporation, or the person (if other than the Merging Entity) formed by the consolidation or into which the Merging Entity is merged or to which all or substantially all of the assets of the Merging Entity are transferred (the “Successor Entity”),

(i) if the Merging Entity is the Issuer, is a company organized and existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands or another jurisdiction approved by a Majority of the Controlling Class (except that no approval shall be required in connection with any such transaction undertaken solely to effect a change in the jurisdiction of incorporation pursuant to Section 7.4), and

(ii) in any case shall expressly assume, by an indenture supplemental to this Indenture, executed and delivered to the Trustee and each Noteholder, the due and punctual payment of all amounts on all Notes issued by the Merging Entity and the performance and observance of every covenant of this Indenture on its part to be performed or observed, all as provided in this Indenture;

(b) each Rating Agency shall have been notified of the consolidation, merger, transfer, or conveyance and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the transaction;

(c) if the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall have agreed with the Trustee,

(i) to observe the same legal requirements for the recognition of the formed or surviving corporation as a legal entity separate and apart from any of its Affiliates as are applicable to the Merging Entity with respect to its Affiliates,



(ii) not to consolidate or merge with or into any other person or transfer or convey the Collateral or all or substantially all of its assets to any other person except in accordance with this Section 7.10; and

(iii) in any case shall expressly assume by an indenture supplemental to this Indenture, executed and delivered to the Trustee, each Noteholder and the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates), the due and punctual payment of all amounts on all Notes issued by the Merging Entity and the performance and observance of every covenant of this Indenture on its part to be performed or observed, all as provided in this Indenture;

(d) if the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall have delivered to the Trustee and each Rating Agency an Officer's certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that it is duly organized, validly existing, and in good standing in the jurisdiction in which it is organized; that it has sufficient power and authority to assume the obligations in subsection (a) above and to execute and deliver an indenture supplemental to this Indenture for the purpose of assuming the obligations in subsection (a) above; that it has duly authorized the execution, delivery, and performance of an indenture supplemental to this Indenture for the purpose of assuming the obligations in subsection (a) above and that the supplemental indenture is its valid and legally binding obligation, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject only to bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium, and other laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally and to general principles of equity; if the Merging Entity is the Issuer, that, following the event that causes the Successor Entity to become the successor to the Issuer, (i) the Successor Entity has title, free of any lien, security interest, or charge, other than the lien and security interest of this Indenture, to the Collateral, and (ii) the lien of this Indenture continues to be effective in the Collateral; and in each case as to any other matters the Trustee or any Noteholder reasonably requires;

(e) after giving effect to the transaction, no Default or Event of Default shall be continuing;

(f) the Merging Entity shall have notified each Rating Agency of the consolidation, merger, transfer, or conveyance and shall have delivered to the Trustee, each Noteholder and the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates) an Officer's certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that the consolidation, merger, transfer, or conveyance and the supplemental indenture comply with this Article 7 and that all conditions precedent in this Article 7 relating to the transaction have been complied with and that no adverse tax consequences will result therefrom to the Holders of the Notes or Class E Certificates;

(g) the Merging Entity shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel stating that after giving effect to the transaction, neither of the Co-Issuers (or, if applicable, the Successor Entity) nor the pool of Collateral will be an investment company under the 1940 Act; and

(h) after giving effect to the transaction, the outstanding stock of the Merging Entity (or, if applicable, the Successor Entity) will not be beneficially owned within the meaning of the 1940 Act by any U.S. person.

#### Section 7.11. Successor Substituted.

Upon any consolidation or merger, or transfer or conveyance of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, in accordance with Section 7.10 in which the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall succeed to, and may exercise every right of, the

Merging Entity under this Indenture with the same effect as if the person had been named as the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, in this Indenture. Upon any such consolidation, merger, transfer, or conveyance, the person named as the “Issuer” or the “Co-Issuer” in the first paragraph of this Indenture or any successor may be dissolved, wound up, and liquidated at any time thereafter, and the person thereafter shall be released from its liabilities as obligor and maker on all the Notes and from its obligations under this Indenture.

Section 7.12. No Other Business.

(a) The Issuer shall not engage in any business or activity other than (i) acquisition and disposition of, and investment and reinvestment in, Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, other Collateral described in clauses (a) to (g) of the Granting Clauses hereof, for its own account; (ii) entering into, and performing its obligations under, the Indenture, the Class E Certificate Documents, any Hedge Agreements, the Securities Lending Agreements, the Management Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Administration Agreement, the Purchase Agreement, the Placement Agreement, the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement and the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement; (iii) the issuance and sale of the Securities and the Ordinary Shares; (iv) the pledge of the Collateral as security for its obligations in respect of the Notes and any Hedge Agreements; (v) the pledge of the Class P-1 Collateral as security for certain obligations in respect of the Class P-1 Securities and the pledge of the Class P-2 Collateral as security for certain obligations in respect of the Class P-2 Securities; and (vi) undertaking certain other activities incidental to the foregoing and permitted by this Indenture. The Issuer shall not enter into any derivative transaction except as expressly provided in this Indenture. The Issuer shall not engage in any business or activity or purchase any asset that would cause the Issuer to be engaged in a U.S. trade or business for U.S. federal income tax purposes, except as the result of ownership of Tax Affected Securities to the extent permitted herein and pending their sale or transfer in accordance with Section 12.1 hereto.

(b) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer may amend, or permit the amendment of, their Memorandum and Articles or the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the amendment (but not otherwise).

Section 7.13. Annual Rating Review.

So long as any Notes of any Class remain Outstanding, the Co-Issuers shall obtain and pay for an ongoing surveillance of the rating of each Outstanding Class of Notes from each Rating Agency. The Co-Issuers shall promptly notify the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager in writing (and the Trustee shall promptly provide a copy of the notice to the Holders of the Notes) and the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates) if at any time the rating of any Class of Notes has been, or is known will be, changed or withdrawn.

Section 7.14. Reporting.

At any time when the Co-Issuers are not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act and are not exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act, upon the request of a Holder or Beneficial Owner of any Note, the Co-Issuers shall promptly furnish “Rule 144A Information” to the Holder or Beneficial Owner, to a prospective purchaser of a Note designated by the Holder or Beneficial Owner or to the Trustee for delivery to the Holder or Beneficial Owner or a prospective purchaser designated by the Holder or Beneficial Owner, as the case may be, to permit compliance by the Holder or Beneficial Owner with Rule 144A under the Securities Act in connection with the resale of the Note by the Holder or Beneficial Owner. “Rule 144A Information” is the information specified pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act.

Section 7.15. Calculation Agent.

(a) The Issuer agrees that for so long as any Notes remain Outstanding an agent will always have been appointed (that does not control and is not controlled by or under common control with the Issuer or its Affiliates) to calculate LIBOR in respect of each Interest Period (the “Calculation Agent”). The Issuer has initially appointed the Trustee as Calculation Agent. The Issuer may remove the Calculation Agent at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Issuer, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager (on its behalf) shall promptly appoint a replacement Calculation Agent. The Calculation Agent may not resign its duties without a successor having been duly appointed. For so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of such exchange so require, notice of the appointment of any replacement Calculation Agent shall be published by or on behalf of the Issuer in the *Daily Official List* of the Irish Stock Exchange as promptly as practicable after such appointment.

(b) As soon as possible after 11:00 a.m., London time, on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period, but in no event later than 11:00 a.m., London time, on the next Business Day, the Calculation Agent shall calculate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Notes for the next Interest Period. The Calculation Agent shall communicate those rates and amounts to the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, each Paying Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Depositary and, except for the Note Interest Rate for the Class A-1A Notes and Commitment Fee and the Note Interest Rate for the Class A-1B Notes and Delayed Drawdown Fee, Euroclear, Clearstream and, so long as any of the Notes are listed thereon and the rules of the exchange so require, the Irish Stock Exchange. In the latter case, such information will be published by the Irish Paying and Listing Agent in the *Daily Official List* of the Irish Stock Exchange as soon as possible after its determination. The Calculation Agent shall separately notify the Irish Stock Exchange of such information. The Calculation Agent shall also specify to the Co-Issuers the quotations on which the foregoing rates are based, and in any event the Calculation Agent shall notify the Co-Issuers before 7:00 p.m., London time, on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period that either:

(i) it has determined or is in the process of determining the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Notes, or

(ii) it has not determined and is not in the process of determining any such Note Interest Rate together with its reasons therefor.

The Calculation Agent’s determination of the foregoing rates for any Interest Period shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding on all parties and the Holders and Beneficial Owners of the Class E Certificates.

Section 7.16. Certain Tax Matters.

(a) The Issuer will not elect to be treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes and shall make any election necessary to avoid classification as a partnership or disregarded entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

(b) The Issuer shall file, or cause to be filed, any tax returns, including information tax returns, required by any governmental authority; provided, however, that the Issuer shall not file, or cause to be filed, any income or franchise tax return in any state of the United States unless it shall have obtained an Opinion of Counsel from a tax counsel of nationally recognized standing experienced in such matters prior to such filing that, under the laws of such jurisdiction, the Issuer is required to file such income or franchise tax return.

(c) Notwithstanding any contrary agreement or understanding, the Portfolio Manager, the Issuers, the Trustee and the Holders and beneficial owners of the Notes (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) may disclose to any and all Persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions contemplated by this Indenture and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to them relating to such tax treatment and tax structure. The foregoing provision shall apply from the beginning of discussions between the parties. For this purpose, the tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. tax treatment of the transaction under applicable U.S. federal, state and local law, and the tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. tax treatment of the transaction under applicable U.S. federal, state and local law.

(d) If the Issuer is aware that it has purchased an interest in a "reportable transaction" within the meaning of Section 6011 of the Code, and a Holder of a Security requests information about any such transactions in which the Issuer is an investor, the Issuer shall provide such information it has reasonably available as soon as practicable after such request.

(e) The Issuer shall not conduct any business other than the business that the Issuer is permitted to conduct under this Indenture.

(f) Upon written request by the Independent accountants, the Indenture Registrar shall provide to the Independent accountants that information contained in the Indenture Register requested by the Independent accountants to comply with this Section 7.16.

(g) The Issuer will treat each purchase of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments as a "purchase" for tax accounting and reporting purposes.

(h) Upon the Trustee's receipt of a request of a Holder holding a Security that is issued with original issue discount for U.S. Federal income tax purposes for the information described in Treasury regulation section 1.1275-3(b)(1) that is applicable to such Security that is issued with original issue discount for U.S. Federal income tax purposes, the Issuer will cause its independent accountants to provide promptly to the Trustee and such requesting Holder all of such information. Any issuance of additional Securities will be accomplished in a manner that will allow the Issuer to accurately provide the same information as the foregoing to the Holders of such additional Securities.

(i) Each Holder and beneficial owner of a Security, by acceptance of its Security or its interest in a Security, shall be deemed to understand and acknowledge that failure to provide the Paying Agent with the applicable U.S. federal income tax certifications (generally, a United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 (or successor applicable form) in the case of a person that is a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code or an appropriate United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 (or successor applicable form) in the case of a person that is not a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) may result in U.S. federal back-up withholding from payments in respect of such Note.

(j) The Issuer and each Holder of a Note shall treat the Notes as debt and the Class E Certificates as equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes and further agrees not to take any action inconsistent with such treatment. The Issuer and each Holder of Class P Securities or Class Q-1 Securities shall treat each Class Q-1 Security and Class P Security as a direct ownership interest in the corresponding components of such Security.

(k) The Issuer shall provide, or cause the independent accountants to provide, within 90 days after the end of the Issuer's tax year, to each Holder of a Security, upon written request and, upon

written request therefor, all information that a U.S. shareholder making a "qualified electing fund" election (as defined in the Code) with respect to the Security is required to obtain from the Issuer for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and a "PFIC Annual Information Statement" as described in United States Treasury Regulation Section 1.1295-1(g)(1) (or any successor Treasury Regulation), including all representations and statements required by such statement, and the Issuer will take or cause the accountants to take any other reasonable steps to facilitate such election by a Holder or beneficial owner of a Security.

(l) The Issuer will provide, or cause its Independent accountants to provide, to a Holder of a Security, upon written request and, upon written request therefor, any information that such Holder or beneficial owner reasonably requests to assist such Holder or beneficial owner with regard to filing requirements that such Holder or beneficial owner is required to satisfy as a result of the controlled foreign corporation rules under the Code.

(m) The Issuer shall not purchase any asset if the acquisition (including the manner of acquisition), ownership, enforcement or disposition of such asset would cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise as subject to tax on a net income basis in any jurisdiction outside the Issuer's jurisdiction of incorporation.

#### Section 7.17. Securities Lending.

(a) So long as no Event of Default is continuing and if after the completion of the transaction the limit in clause (28) of the definition of "Concentration Limitations" would be satisfied, the Portfolio Manager may cause Collateral Obligations that are not Defaulted Collateral Obligations to be lent for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) having long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or guarantors with ratings of at least "A1" (and not "A1" but on credit watch with negative implications) and "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A+" from S&P (each, a "Securities Lending Counterparty") pursuant to one or more agreements (each, a "Securities Lending Agreement"); provided that Collateral Obligations whose Market Value cannot be determined under clause (i), (ii) or (iii) of that definition may not be lent pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement. Upon receipt of an Issuer Order, the Trustee shall release any lent Collateral Obligations to a Securities Lending Counterparty as directed by the Portfolio Manager. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Placement Agent or Affiliates of the Portfolio Manager. The duration of any Securities Lending Agreement shall not exceed the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

(b) Each Securities Lending Agreement shall be on market terms as determined by the Portfolio Manager (except as may be required below) and shall:

(i) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty return to the Issuer debt obligations that are identical (in terms of issue and class) to the lent Collateral Obligations;

(ii) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty pay to the Issuer amounts equivalent to all interest and other payments that the owner of the lent Collateral Obligation is entitled to for the period during which the Collateral Obligation is lent and require that any such payments not be subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the Securities Lending Counterparty is required under the Securities Lending Agreement to make "gross-up" payments to the Issuer that cover the full amount of the withholding tax on an after-tax basis;

(iii) require that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency shall be satisfied with respect to the execution of the Securities Lending Agreement;

(iv) satisfy any other requirements of Section 1058 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated under it;

(v) be governed by the laws of New York;

(vi) permit the Issuer to assign its rights under the Securities Lending Agreement to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture;

(vii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Collateral Obligation becomes a Credit Risk Obligation or is subject to redemption in accordance with its terms;

(viii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty upon any redemption of the Notes in whole;

(ix) require the Securities Lending Counterparty to post with the Trustee collateral consisting of Cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the Securities Lending Agreement (the "Securities Lending Collateral") to secure its obligation to return the Collateral Obligations or in the alternative post the Securities Lending Collateral with a custodian for the benefit of the Issuer designated by the Securities Lending Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that custodian would qualify to be a successor trustee under Section 6.8;

(x) provide that the Securities Lending Collateral shall be maintained at all times in an amount equal to at least 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value (determined daily and monitored by the Portfolio Manager) of the lent Collateral Obligations and if securities are delivered to the Trustee as security for the obligations of the Securities Lending Counterparty under the related Securities Lending Agreement, the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer will negotiate with the Securities Lending Counterparty a rate for the loan fee to be paid to the Issuer for lending the lent Collateral Obligations;

(xi) the lent Collateral Obligations shall be marked-to-market on a daily basis by the Portfolio Manager on the basis of their Market Value;

(xii) the Collateral will include the Issuer's rights under the related Securities Lending Agreement rather than the loaned Collateral Obligation;

(xiii) provide for early termination within 10 days at the option of the Issuer and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Securities Lending Counterparty is no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty and the noncompliance is not cured as provided in this Indenture; and

(xiv) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Securities Lending Counterparty) equivalent (mutatis mutandis) to those in this Indenture.

(c) If either Moody's or S&P downgrades a Securities Lending Counterparty such that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party are no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty, then the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer, within 10 days of the downgrade, shall

(i) terminate its Securities Lending Agreements with the Securities Lending Counterparty unless a guarantor for the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements has been obtained; or

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations lent to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty so that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party, together with all other Securities Lending Agreements, are in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of Securities Lending Counterparties; or

(iii) take any other steps Moody's or S&P may require to cause the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party to be treated by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, as if the obligations were owed by a counterparty having a rating at least equivalent to the rating that was assigned by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty before its being downgraded.

(d) In connection with any such direction by the Portfolio Manager to enter into a Securities Lending Agreement, the Trustee may receive and rely on an Issuer Order to the effect that the Securities Lending Agreement, and its Securities Lending Counterparty, is each in compliance with the requirements of this Indenture (including the definition of "Securities Lending Counterparty"). The Issuer and the Trustee may enter into any Securities Lending Agreement (and any related account control agreement) at the instruction of the Portfolio Manager, and deliver and accept delivery and return of any Collateral Obligations pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement, or pursuant to instructions from the Portfolio Manager in connection with the Securities Lending Agreement. The Trustee may take any actions and exercise any rights and remedies under any Securities Lending Agreement that the Portfolio Manager instructs. The Trustee need not enter into any Securities Lending Agreement (or any related account control agreement) that would in its judgment, subject it to any liability, whether financial or otherwise, or cause it to incur or subject it to risk of any cost or disbursement for which it is not, in its judgment, adequately indemnified, or that would impose on it any obligations or administrative burdens that are unacceptable to it. The Portfolio Manager shall instruct the Trustee in writing with respect to the administration of any Securities Lending Agreement (including with respect to any default and the exercise of rights under it). The Trustee shall not have any responsibility for evaluating the sufficiency, validity, or acceptability of any Securities Lending Agreement or for the qualifications or eligibility of any Securities Lending Counterparty. Nothing in this Indenture shall be construed to cause the Trustee to have any fiduciary duties to any Securities Lending Counterparty.

So long as any Collateral Obligation is on loan pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement,

(a) the Trustee shall have no liability for any failure or inability on its part to receive any information or take any action with respect to the Collateral Obligation because of its being on loan (including any failure to take action with respect to a notice of redemption, consent solicitation, exchange or tender offer, or similar corporate action), and

(b) the loaned Collateral Obligations shall not be disqualified for return to the Trustee as a Collateral Obligation by any change in circumstance or status during the time while on loan

(including any change that would cause the Collateral Obligation to be ineligible for purchase by the Issuer under this Indenture if applied to a proposed purchase of it in the open market at the time of its return from loan).

Section 7.18. Purchase of Collateral Obligations; Ramp-Up Completion Date.

(a) The Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase (or enter into commitments to purchase (with settlement as soon as practicable after such commitment, but in any event no later than 60 days thereafter) Collateral Obligations for inclusion in the Collateral on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period, in each case, such that as of the Business Day prior to March 3, 2006, either (A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least \$900,000,000 or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be (provided that with respect to the Initial Collateral Obligations, the date of purchase shall be the Closing Date)) equals at least \$900,000,000 (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations after the Closing Date and on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date).

(b) Notwithstanding the foregoing, or any other provision of this Indenture, if the Issuer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase a Collateral Obligation to be included in the Collateral, such commitment not to exceed 60 days, and at the time of the commitment the Collateral Obligation complied with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set forth in this Section 7.18, the Issuer may consummate the purchase of the Collateral Obligation notwithstanding that the Collateral Obligation fails to comply with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set out above on the date of settlement.

(c) Within 5 Business Days after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Issuer) shall request a Rating Confirmation and shall provide a report to the Rating Agencies substantially in the form of a Monthly Report as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date identifying the Collateral Obligations then included in the Collateral (and, with respect to S&P, an excel file containing the S&P CDO Monitor input file and with respect to each Collateral Obligation, the name of the related obligor thereon, the CUSIP number thereof (if applicable) and the S&P Priority Category thereof) and the Issuer shall obtain and deliver to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies (together with the delivery of such report), an Accountants' Certificate:

(i) confirming the maturity date, rating, spread and recovery rate for each Collateral Obligation owned by the Issuer as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date and the information provided by the Issuer with respect to every other asset included in the Collateral, by reference to such sources as shall be specified therein;

(ii) confirming that as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date:

(1) each of the Coverage Tests is satisfied;

(2) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owned or committed to purchase as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date is at least equal to the Maximum Investment Amount; and



(3) the Collateral Obligations comply with all of the requirements of the Collateral Quality Tests and the Concentration Limitations and the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 of this Indenture; and

(iii) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing statements.

(d) If a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, the Notes will be redeemed pursuant to, and to the extent provided in, Section 9.1(a).

Section 7.19. Posting of Reports on Repository.

(a) If the Initial Purchaser has entered into a posting dealer agreement with The Bond Market Association relating to the transactions contemplated by this Indenture, each of the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager acknowledges and agrees that each Monthly Report and Valuation Report shall be posted to the Repository for use in the manner provided in the Repository. In connection therewith, the Trustee, on behalf of and at the expense of the Issuer, agrees to make available in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(viii) each Monthly Report or Valuation Report to the operator of the Repository for posting on the Repository.

(b) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee makes any representation or warranty to The Bond Market Association (or any successor thereto) or any affiliate thereof or any Person having or obtaining access to the information maintained in the Repository or to any of such Person's affiliates regarding the accuracy or completeness of any information, document, report or other communication transmitted to the Repository, and no Person having or obtaining access to the information maintained in the Repository shall have any rights under this Indenture or any other transaction document or otherwise by reason of the transmission of any such information, document, report or other communication to the Repository.

Section 7.20. [Reserved]

Section 7.21. Section 3(c)(7) Procedures.

In addition to the notices required to be given under Section 10.6 hereof, the Issuer shall take the following actions to ensure compliance with the requirements of Section 3(c)(7) of the 1940 Act (provided that such procedures and disclosures may be revised by the Issuer to be consistent with generally accepted practice for compliance with the requirements of Section 3(c)(7) of the 1940 Act):

(a) Section 3(c)(7) Notice to Investors. The Issuer shall (i) request the Depositary to cause, and cooperate with the Depositary in causing, the Depositary's security description and delivery order to include a "3(c)(7) marker" and the Depositary's user manual to contain an accurate description of the restrictions on the holding and transfer of the Notes due to the Issuer's reliance on the exclusion to registration provided by Section 3(c)(7) of the 1940 Act, (ii) request that the Depositary send, and cooperate with the Depositary in causing the Depositary to send, to its Agent Members (x) the Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice substantially in the form of Exhibit H-2 in connection with the initial offering of the Notes and (y) the Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice substantially in the form of Exhibit H-1 as set forth in Section 10.6(a) and (b) and (iii) request that the Depositary cause, and cooperate with the Depositary in causing, the Depositary's Reference Directory to include each Class of Notes (and the applicable CUSIP numbers for the Notes) in the listing of 3(c)(7) issues together with an attached description of the limitations as to the distribution, purchase, sale and holding of the Notes.

(b) CUSIP Numbers. The Issuer shall (a) request of S&P, and shall cooperate with S&P to ensure that all CUSIP numbers identifying the Notes shall have a “fixed field” attached thereto that contains “3c7” and “144A” indicators and (b) take steps to cause the Placement Agent, the Initial Purchaser and any market makers to require that all “confirms” of trades of the Notes contain CUSIP numbers with such “fixed field” identifiers.

(c) Bloomberg and other Third-Party Vendor Screens. The Issuer shall use all reasonable efforts to cause the Bloomberg screen or screens containing information about the Notes to include the following language: (a) the “Note Box” on the bottom of the “Security Display” page describing the Notes shall state: “Iss’d Under 144A/3(c)(7)”, (b) the “Security Display” page shall have the flashing red indicator “See Other Available Information”, and (c) the indicator shall link to the “Additional Security Information” page, which shall state that the securities are “being offered in reliance on the exemption from registration under Rule 144A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”) to persons who are both (x) qualified institutional buyers (as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act) and (y) qualified purchasers (as defined under Section 3(c)(7) under the Investment Company Act of 1940)”. The Issuer shall use all reasonable efforts to require that any other third-party vendor screens containing information about the Notes include substantially similar language to clauses (a) through (c) above.

#### Section 7.22. Listing.

(a) So long as any Class of Notes listed on the Irish Stock Exchange is Outstanding, the Issuer shall (i) use all reasonable efforts to maintain the listing of such Class of Notes on the Irish Stock Exchange; provided, however, that the Issuer will not be required to maintain a listing on the Irish Stock Exchange or any other E.U. stock exchange if compliance with requirements of the European Commission or a relevant Member State becomes commercially unreasonable in the sole judgment of the Portfolio Manager, (ii) notify the Irish Stock Exchange if the rating assigned to any Class of Notes has been qualified, downgraded or withdrawn; and (iii) make available for inspection at the office of the Irish Paying and Listing Agent copies of its Articles, bylaws, and resolutions authorizing the issuance of the Notes and this Indenture.

(b) So long as any Class E Certificates listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange are Outstanding, the Issuer shall (i) use all reasonable efforts to maintain the listing of such Class E Certificates on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange; provided, however, that the Issuer will not be required to maintain a listing on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange or any other stock exchange if compliance with requirements of such stock exchange becomes commercially unreasonable in the sole judgment of the Portfolio Manager; and (ii) make available for inspection at the office of the Administrator copies of its Articles, bylaws, and resolutions authorizing the issuance of the Class E Certificates and the Class E Certificate Documents.

## ARTICLE 8

### SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURES

#### Section 8.1. Supplemental Indentures Without Consent of Holders.

(a) Without the consent of the Holders of any Indenture Securities (except as specifically provided in clauses (7), (16) and (17) below) or the Holders of any Class E Certificates, when authorized by respective Board Resolutions, and subject to the requirement provided below in this Section

8.1 with respect to satisfaction of the Rating Condition, the Co-Issuers and the Trustee may execute one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, to:

(1) evidence the succession of another person to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and the assumption by the successor person of the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture and in the Indenture Securities;

(2) add to the covenants of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee for the benefit of the Holders of the Indenture Securities or to surrender any right in this Indenture conferred on the Co-Issuers;

(3) convey, transfer, assign, mortgage, or pledge any property to the Trustee, or add to the conditions, limitations, or restrictions on the authorized amount, terms, and purposes of the issue, authentication, and delivery of the Indenture Securities;

(4) evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment under this Indenture by a successor Trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of this Indenture necessary to facilitate the administration of the trusts under this Indenture by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of Sections 6.9, 6.10, and 6.12;

(5) correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of this Indenture, or to better assure, convey, and confirm to the Trustee any property subject or required to be subject to the lien of this Indenture (including all actions appropriate as a result of changes in law) or to subject to the lien of this Indenture any additional property;

(6) modify the restrictions on and procedures for resales and other transfers of the Indenture Securities to reflect any changes in applicable law (or its interpretation) or to enable the Co-Issuers to rely on any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities Act or the 1940 Act or to remove restrictions on resale and transfer to the extent not required under this Indenture;

(7) with the consent of the Portfolio Manager and a Majority of the Controlling Class (by Act of the Holders of the Controlling Class), to modify the restrictions on the sales of Collateral Obligations in Section 12.1 or the Eligibility Criteria in Section 12.2 (and the definitions related thereto) in a manner not materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of the Notes or the Class E Certificates as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Portfolio Manager to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of the Notes or the Class E Certificates;

(8) make any changes required by (i) the Irish Stock Exchange (so long as any of the Notes are listed thereon) or (ii) the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange (so long as any of the Class E Certificates, Class Q-1 Securities or Class P Securities are listed thereon) or (iii) any other stock exchange on which any Class of Securities is listed in order to permit or maintain the listing of any Securities thereon;

(9) otherwise to correct any inconsistency or cure any ambiguity or errors in this Indenture or to conform the Indenture to the Offering Memorandum;

(10) accommodate the issuance of the Securities in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC or otherwise;

(11) to take any appropriate action to prevent the Issuer, the Holders of Securities, or the Trustee from becoming subject to withholding or other taxes, fees, or assessments or to prevent the Issuer from being treated as being engaged in a U.S. trade or business or otherwise being subject to U.S. federal, state, or local income tax on a net income basis, so long as the action will not cause the Holders of any Securities to be adversely affected to any material extent by any change to the timing, character, or source of the income from the Securities, as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion);

(12) to authorize the appointment of any listing agent, Transfer Agent, Paying Agent, or additional registrar for any Class of Securities appropriate in connection with the listing of any Class of Securities on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange or any other stock exchange, and otherwise to amend this Indenture to incorporate any changes required or requested by any governmental authority, stock exchange authority, listing agent, Transfer Agent, Paying Agent, or additional registrar for any Class of Securities in connection with its appointment, so long as the supplemental indenture would not materially and adversely affect any Holder of Securities, as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of the Securities;

(13) to amend, modify, enter into, or accommodate the execution of any contract relating to a Synthetic Security (including posting collateral under a Synthetic Security Agreement);

(14) to modify Section 3.3 to be consistent with applicable laws or Rating Agency requirements;

(15) to evidence any waiver by any Rating Agency as to any requirement or condition, as applicable, of the Rating Agency set forth in this Indenture;

(16) with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class (by Act of the Holders of the Controlling Class), modify the calculation of the Collateral Quality Tests, Concentration Limitations or the Coverage Tests or related definitions to correspond with written changes in the guidelines, methodology or standards established by the Rating Agencies or as otherwise permitted by the Rating Agencies;

(17) (a) with the consent of a Majority of the Class A-1A Notes (by Act of the Holders of the Class A-1A Notes), to amend any provisions herein relating solely to the manner, timing and conditions of Borrowings; and (b) with the consent of a Majority of the Class A-1B Notes (by Act of the Holders of the Class A-1B Notes), to amend any provisions herein relating solely to the manner, timing and conditions of Drawdowns;

(18) to facilitate the issuance of participation notes, combination notes, combination securities and other similar securities;

(19) to facilitate hedging transactions;

(20) to facilitate the ability of the Issuer to lend Collateral Obligations pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement;

(21) to modify any provision to facilitate an A/B Exchange, including to effect any serial designation relating to the exchange;

(22) with the consent of the Portfolio Manager, to enter into any additional agreements not expressly prohibited by this Indenture as well as any amendment, modification, or waiver if the Issuer determines that the amendment, modification, or waiver would not, upon or after becoming effective, materially and adversely affect the rights or interest of the Holders of any Class of Securities as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Portfolio Manager to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities; or

(23) provide for the issuance of Additional Class E Certificates to the extent permitted by the Class E Certificate Documents and to extend to such Additional Class E Certificates the benefits applicable to the Class E Certificates hereunder and under the Class E Certificate Documents.

(b) Without the consent of the Portfolio Manager, no supplemental indenture may be entered into that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to the Portfolio Manager under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Portfolio Manager.

(c) The Trustee is authorized to join in the execution of any such supplemental indenture and to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations that may be in the agreements, but the Trustee shall not be obligated to enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties, liabilities, or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise, except to the extent required by law. Unless notified by a Majority of any Class of the Securities that the Class of Securities would be materially and adversely affected, the Trustee may rely on a certificate of the Portfolio Manager and an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) as to whether the interests of any Holder of Securities would be materially and adversely affected by any such supplemental indenture. The Trustee shall give notice of any such supplemental indenture described in Section 8.1 to the Holders of Indenture Securities and to the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates) at least 15 Business Days before execution of any supplemental indenture by the Trustee (or 60 calendar days before execution, in the case of a supplemental indenture for the purpose described in paragraph (7), (16) and (17) of Section 8.1(a), which shall be identified as such in a certificate of the Portfolio Manager delivered to the Trustee before the date on which such notice is required to be given).

(d) Except for a supplemental indenture described in Section 8.1(a)(23) above, if any Outstanding Notes are rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee shall enter into a supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.1 only if either (1) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the supplemental indenture or (2) the Portfolio Manager and the Holders of 100% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes the ratings on which would be reduced or withdrawn consent to the supplemental indenture. Prior to the entry into any supplemental indenture with respect to which a the Rating Condition for one or more Classes of Indenture Securities is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Indenture Security informing them of such fact.

(e) Without limiting any other requirement to deliver notice pursuant to this Section 8.1, at the cost of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee shall provide to each Rating Agency (for so long as any

rated Notes are Outstanding), the Holders of the Indenture Securities and the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates), the Irish Listing and Paying Agent for forwarding to the Irish Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class of Notes is listed thereon), the Administrator for forwarding to the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class E Certificates, Class Q-1 Securities or Class P Securities are listed thereon) and each Hedge Counterparty a copy of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.1 at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee.

Section 8.2. Supplemental Indentures With Consent of Holders.

(a) If the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency, the Trustee and the Co-Issuers may execute one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture to add any provisions to, or change in any manner, or eliminate any of the provisions of, this Indenture or modify in any manner the rights of the Holders of the Notes under this Indenture with the consent of:

(1) the Portfolio Manager if the supplemental indenture would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Portfolio Manager;

(2) a Majority of each Class of Indenture Securities adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of each such Class of Indenture Securities; and

(3) a Majority of the Class E Certificates adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of the Class E Certificates.

Any proposed supplemental indenture that would also necessitate a change to the Memorandum and Articles of Association may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Memorandum and Articles of Association) has been passed to permit the Issuer's constitutional documents to be altered to conform them to the proposed change to this Indenture as certified to the Trustee by the Issuer.

Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected thereby and the Holder of each Class E Certificate adversely affected thereby, no supplemental indenture shall:

(i) change the Stated Maturity of the principal of or the due date of any installment of interest on any Note or of any payment to the Class E Certificates Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Class E Certificates, reduce the principal amount or the rate of interest on any Note, or the Default Interest Rate or the Redemption Price with respect to any Note or Class E Certificate, or change the earliest date on which Notes or Class E Certificates may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer, change the provisions of this Indenture relating to the application of proceeds of any Collateral to the payment of principal of or interest on Notes, or to payment to the Class E Certificates Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Class E Certificates, or change any place where, or the coin or currency in which principal, interest or other distributions on Securities are paid or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after their Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the applicable Redemption Date);

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class or Holders of Class E Certificates whose consent is required for the authorization of any such supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of this

Indenture or certain defaults under this Indenture or their consequences provided for in this Indenture;

(iii) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on a parity with the lien of this Indenture with respect to any part of the Collateral or Class P Collateral or terminate the lien on any property at any time subject hereto or deprive the Holder of any Note of the security afforded by the lien of this Indenture;

(iv) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class whose consent is required to direct remedies or to sell or liquidate the Collateral, pursuant to Section 5.4 or 5.5;

(v) modify any of the provisions of this Section, or to provide that certain other provisions of this Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note and Class E Certificate affected thereby;

(vi) modify the definition of "Outstanding," "Controlling Class," or "Majority," or the Priority of Payments in Section 11.1(a) or Section 13.1; or

(vii) modify any of the provisions of this Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of Redemption Price or of interest or principal on any Note or any payment to the Class E Certificates Paying Agent for the payment of dividends or other payments on the Class E Certificates on any Payment Date or to affect the rights of the Holders of Notes or Class E Certificates to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of the Notes or the Class E Certificates contained in this Indenture.

Prior to the entry into any supplemental indenture with respect to which the Rating Condition for one or more Classes of Indenture Securities is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Indenture Security and the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates) informing them of such fact.

(b) No supplemental indenture may modify the terms of the Class Q-1 Securities as such in a manner that would adversely affect the Class Q-1 Securities without the prior written consent of a majority of the stated amount of the Class Q-1 Securities, or the consent of the Holders of each Outstanding Class Q-1 Security adversely affected thereby as set forth above. Except for any proposed such supplement that would affect the terms of the Class Q-1 Securities as such or as provided in subsection (a) above, Holders of Class Q-1 Securities shall be entitled to vote under this Section 8.2 only as Holders of the respective related Class Q-1 Components.

(c) No supplemental indenture may modify the terms of the Class P-1 Securities or the Class P-2 Securities, in each case as such, in a manner that would adversely affect the Class P-1 Securities or Class P-2 Securities, as applicable, without the prior written consent of a majority of the stated amount of the Class P-1 Securities or Class P-2 Securities, as applicable, or the consent of the Holders of each Outstanding Class Q Security adversely affected thereby as set forth above. Except for any proposed such supplement that would affect the terms of the Class P-1 Securities or Class P-2 Securities, as applicable, as such or as provided in subsection (a) above, Holders of Class P Securities shall be entitled to vote under this Section 8.2 only as Holders of the respective Class E Certificates represented by the related Class P Class E Certificate Component.

(d) At the cost of the Co-Issuers, for so long as any Notes are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee shall provide to the Rating Agency a copy of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.2 at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee.

(e) Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.2, the Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail to the Holders of the Notes, the Portfolio Manager, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) a copy of such supplemental indenture and shall request any required consent from the applicable Holders of Notes or Class E Certificates to be given within the Initial Consent Period. Any consent given to a proposed supplemental indenture by the Holder of any Notes or Class E Certificates, as applicable, shall be irrevocable and binding on all future Holders or beneficial owners of that Note or Class E Certificate, irrespective of the execution date of the supplemental indenture. If the Holders of less than the required percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the relevant Notes or Class E Certificates consent to a proposed supplemental indenture within the Initial Consent Period, on the first Business Day after the Initial Consent Period, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager which Holders of Notes or Class E Certificates have consented to the proposed supplemental indenture and, which Holders (and, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the Trustee, which beneficial owners) have not consented to the proposed supplemental indenture. If it intends to exercise its Amendment Buy-Out Option pursuant to Section 9.6, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall so notify the Trustee (which notice shall designate a date for the Amendment Buy-Out to occur no earlier than 10 Business Days after the date of such notice) no later than five (5) Business Days after so being notified by the Trustee and the Trustee shall mail such notice to all Holders of Notes and the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates). Any Non-Consenting Holder may give consent (by Act of such Holder) to the related proposed supplemental indenture until the 5<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the date of the Amendment Buy-Out designated by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and in such case shall cease to be a Non-Consenting Holder for purposes of the Amendment Buy-Out. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser exercises its Amendment Buy-Out Option and purchases the applicable Securities pursuant to Section 9.6 below, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, as Holder or beneficial owner of the applicable Notes or Class E Certificates, may consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture within five (5) Business Days of the Amendment Buy-Out.

(f) It shall not be necessary for any Act of Holders of Notes under this Section 8.2 to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if the Act or consent approves its substance.

(g) The Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail to the Holders of the Indenture Securities, the Portfolio Manager, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates) and each Rating Agency a copy of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.2 promptly after its execution by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee. Any failure of the Trustee to mail a copy of any supplemental indenture as provided in this Indenture, or any defect in the mailing, shall not in any way affect the validity of the supplemental indenture.

### Section 8.3. Execution of Supplemental Indentures.

In executing or accepting the additional trusts created by any supplemental indenture permitted by this Article 8 or the modifications thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture, the Trustee may receive, and (subject to Sections 6.1 and 6.3) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an Opinion of Counsel stating that the execution of the supplemental indenture is authorized or permitted by this Indenture and that all conditions precedent to the execution of such supplemental indenture have been satisfied. In the event that any supplemental indenture is consented to by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and



100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes and the Rating Condition is satisfied or is specifically waived by all consenting parties, all conditions precedent to the execution of such supplemental indenture shall be deemed satisfied, the execution of such supplemental indenture shall be authorized or permitted by this Indenture, and the Trustee shall execute and accept the additional trusts created by such supplemental indenture pursuant to this Article 8 or modification thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture without obtaining an Opinion of Counsel. The Trustee may, but shall not be obligated to, enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties, or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise. The Portfolio Manager shall not be bound by any amendment or supplement to this Indenture that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Portfolio Manager unless the Portfolio Manager consents to it in writing, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed. The Portfolio Manager shall follow any amendment or supplement to this Indenture by which it is bound of which it has received written notice from the time it receives a copy of the amendment from the Issuer or the Trustee.

Section 8.4. Effect of Supplemental Indentures; Certain Required Consents.

Upon the execution of any supplemental indenture under this Article 8, this Indenture shall be modified in accordance therewith, and the supplemental indenture shall form a part of this Indenture for all purposes; and every Holder of Indenture Securities and Class E Certificates theretofore and thereafter authenticated and delivered under this Indenture shall be bound thereby.

Without the approval of each Hedge Counterparty to a then existing Hedge Agreement (so long as the Hedge Counterparty is not in default under any Hedge Agreement to which it is party), no supplemental indenture will be effective, and the Co-Issuers will not consent to any supplemental indenture, that would have a material adverse effect on the Hedge Counterparty. For purposes of this paragraph, any supplemental indenture will be deemed not to have a material adverse effect on the Hedge Counterparty if it does not object within 10 days of delivery of such supplemental indenture by the Trustee.

Section 8.5. Reference in Notes to Supplemental Indentures.

Notes authenticated and delivered after the execution of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Article 8 may, and if required by the Trustee shall, bear a notice in form approved by the Trustee as to any matter provided for in the supplemental indenture. If the Applicable Issuers shall so determine, new Notes, so modified as to conform in the opinion of the Trustee and the Co-Issuers to any such supplemental indenture, may be prepared and executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated and delivered by the Trustee in exchange for Outstanding Notes.

## ARTICLE 9

### REDEMPTION OF NOTES

Section 9.1. Mandatory Redemption.

(a) If either (a) a Coverage Test is not met on any Determination Date or (b) a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, principal payments on the Notes shall be made on the related Payment Date (without payment of any Redemption Price) in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Upon receipt of notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes, at par on any

subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes, then the Portfolio Manager, in its sole discretion may direct the Trustee to sell, and if so directed, the Trustee shall sell in accordance with the instructions of the Portfolio Manager, Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for the purpose in the Collection Account will be used to redeem the Notes (but only to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes) pursuant to the Priority of Payments. Any sale under this Section 9.1 shall be conducted in such a manner that:

(i) after giving effect to the sale each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied or, if any Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Overcollateralization Test is not reduced,

(ii) if the sale occurs on or after the second Payment Date, after giving effect to the sale each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied or, if any Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Interest Coverage Test is not reduced, and

(iii) after giving effect to the sale each Collateral Quality Test is satisfied or, if any Collateral Quality Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Collateral Quality Test is not reduced.

(b) The Class E Certificates will be redeemed in whole in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Class E Certificate Documents on any Payment Date on which a mandatory redemption of the Notes pursuant to Section 9.1(a) results in the payment in full of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes.

#### Section 9.2. Optional Redemption.

(a) Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the Notes shall be redeemed by the Applicable Issuers, in whole but not in part, on any Payment Date from Principal Proceeds and all other funds available for that purpose in the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account and the Revolving Reserve Account, at the direction of the Holders of at least a Majority of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Class E Certificates, which direction must be given to the Class E Certificates Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made, at the applicable Redemption Price (exclusive of installments of interest and principal maturing on or before that date, payment of which shall have been made or duly provided for, to the Holders of the Notes on relevant Record Dates or as otherwise provided in this Indenture). All Notes must be simultaneously redeemed, and any termination payments pursuant to Hedge Agreements must be paid. The Class A-1A Notes also may be prepaid during the Reinvestment Period.

Upon receipt of a notice of redemption pursuant to this Section 9.2(a), the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Management Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer, direct the sale of the Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for such purpose in the Collection Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, and the Revolving Reserve Account, will be at least sufficient to redeem all of the Notes and to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations. If, in the Portfolio Manager's

reasonable discretion, the sale would not be sufficient to redeem the Notes, and to pay the fees, expenses, and obligations, no Collateral Obligations shall be sold and the Notes shall not be redeemed.

Upon any redemption pursuant to this Section 9.2(a), the Issuer shall, at least 30 days before the Redemption Date (unless the Trustee shall agree to a shorter notice period), notify the Trustee, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates) and each Rating Agency of the Redemption Date, the applicable Record Date, the principal amount of Notes to be redeemed on the Redemption Date, and the applicable Redemption Prices.

(b) On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, all administrative and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture and all amounts owing under this Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged,

(i) at the direction of a Majority of the Class E Certificates, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Class E Certificates, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Class E Certificates Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Class E Certificates pro rata in accordance with their respective holdings; or

(ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Class E Certificates, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Class E Certificates to the Class E Certificates Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Class E Certificates based upon such direction.

Upon a distribution pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(i), the Portfolio Manager will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Management Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer (and subject to Section 9.2(b)(ii)), direct the sale of all remaining Collateral Obligations. Upon a distribution pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii), the Portfolio Manager will effect the sale of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Class E Certificates.

### Section 9.3. Redemption Procedures.

(a) Upon any redemption pursuant to Section 9.2, a notice of redemption shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days and not earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date, each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of DTC, Euroclear, and Clearstream, as applicable, to the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates), and (in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a)) to each Rating Agency. In addition, (i) for so long as any Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of such exchange so require, notice of such redemption pursuant to Section 9.2 shall also be given to the Noteholders by the Irish Listing and Paying Agent publishing in the *Daily Official List* of the Irish Stock Exchange and (ii) for so long as any Class E Certificates, Class Q-1 Securities or Class P Securities are listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of redemption of Securities pursuant to Section 9.2 shall also be given to the Administrator for forwarding to the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange.

(b) All notices of redemption delivered pursuant to Section 9.3(a) shall state:

- (i) the applicable Redemption Date;
- (ii) the Redemption Price of the Notes to be redeemed (in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a));
- (iii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), that all of the Notes, are to be redeemed in full and that interest on the Notes to be redeemed shall cease to accrue on the Payment Date specified in the notice; and
- (iv) the places where the Notes to be redeemed in whole are to be surrendered for payment of the Redemption Price, which shall be the office or agency of the Co-Issuers to be maintained as provided in Section 7.2 and, so long as any Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying and Listing Agent.

Any such notice of redemption may be withdrawn by the Issuer up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates), the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager only if:

- (A) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), the Portfolio Manager does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications (described in Section 9.3(c) and 12.1(f)), as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee,
- (B) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i), the Issuer receives the written direction of Holders of Class E Certificates holding Class E Certificates in an aggregate Face Amount at least equal to the Face Amount of the Holders of Class E Certificates that had requested redemption under Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i), as applicable, to withdraw the notice of, and
- (C) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii), the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Class E Certificates to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer hereby agrees for the benefit of the directing person to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (B) or this clause (C)).

Notice of any withdrawal shall be sent, not later than the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date (assuming that the Trustee has received timely written notice from the Issuer as provided above), by the Trustee, to each Holder of Notes scheduled to be redeemed at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery (or, to the extent the address contained in the Indenture Register is not sufficient for that purpose, by first class mail) and the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Class E Certificates). If the Issuer so withdraws any notice of redemption or is otherwise unable to complete any redemption of the Notes, the Sale Proceeds received from the sale of any Collateral Obligations sold pursuant to Sections 9.2 and 12.1(f) may, during the Reinvestment Period (and, in respect of Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations, after the Reinvestment Period) at the Portfolio Manager's discretion, be reinvested in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria.

Notice of redemption shall be given by the Co-Issuers or, upon an Issuer Order, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Co-Issuers. Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Note selected for redemption or the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Class E Certificates) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Notes or Class E Certificates.

(c) The Notes may not be redeemed pursuant to Section 9.2(a) unless either of the following conditions are satisfied:

(i) At least ten Business Days before the Redemption Date, the Portfolio Manager shall have furnished to the Trustee evidence (in form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee) that the Issuer has entered into a binding agreements (with a financial or other institution or entity whose short-term unsecured debt obligations (other than obligations whose rating is based on the credit of a person other than the institution) have a credit rating of at least “A-1” from S&P and of “P-1” (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody’s (or to any other institution or entity if the Rating Condition with respect to Moody’s is satisfied with respect to the other entity)) to sell to the financial or other institutions, not later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date in immediately available funds, all or part of the Collateral (directly or by participation or other arrangement) at a Purchase Price at least equal to an amount sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations (including the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties, and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices; or

(ii) Before entering into any binding agreement to sell all or a portion of the Collateral and selling or terminating any Hedge Agreement, the Portfolio Manager shall have certified that, in its commercially reasonable judgment, the settlement dates of the sales will be scheduled to occur on or before the Business Day before the Redemption Date and that the expected proceeds from the sales are to be delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date, in immediately available funds, in an amount (calculated as applicable in the manner provided below) sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties, and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices. For purposes of this paragraph, the amount shall be calculated with respect to the classes of Collateral listed in the table below by multiplying the expected proceeds of sale of the Collateral by the indicated percentage in the table below.

		Number of Business Days Between Certification to the Trustee and Sale			
		<u>Same Day</u>	<u>1 to 2</u>	<u>3 to 5</u>	<u>6 to 15</u>
1	Cash or other Eligible Investments	100%	100%	100%	100%
2	Loans (other than 5 below)	100%	93%	92%	88%
3	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations (in each case, other than 4 below)	100%	89%	85%	75%
4	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations, in	100%	75%	65%	55%

		Number of Business Days Between Certification to the Trustee and Sale			
		<u>Same Day</u>	<u>1 to 2</u>	<u>3 to 5</u>	<u>6 to 15</u>
each case with a Moody's Rating of "B3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "B3"					
5	Synthetic Securities	100%	65%	55%	35%

Any certification delivered pursuant to this Section 9.3(c) shall include (A) the prices of, and expected proceeds from, the sale of any Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, or Hedge Agreements and (B) all calculations required by this Section 9.3(c).

Section 9.4. Notes Payable on Redemption Date.

(a) Notice of redemption pursuant to Section 9.3 having been given as aforesaid, the Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at the Redemption Price therein specified and from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Redemption Price and accrued interest) the Notes shall cease to bear interest on the Redemption Date. Upon final payment on a Note to be so redeemed, the Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the place specified in the notice of redemption on or before the Redemption Date unless the Co-Issuers and the Trustee receive the security or indemnity required by them to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the Note, and in the absence of notice to the Co-Issuers and the Trustee, that the applicable Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender. Payments of interest on Notes so to be redeemed whose Stated Maturity is on or before the Redemption Date shall be payable to the Holders of the Notes, or one or more predecessor Notes, registered as such at the close of business on the relevant Record Date if the Record Date is a Business Day (or, if the Record Date is not a Business Day, the close of business on the Business Day before the Record Date) according to Section 2.8(e).

(b) If any Note called for redemption is not paid on its surrender for redemption, its principal shall bear interest from the Redemption Date at the Applicable Note Interest Rate for each successive Interest Period the Note remains Outstanding if the reason for the non-payment is not the fault of the Holder of the Note.

Section 9.5. Special Redemption.

Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in whole or in part, at par, in accordance with the Priority of Payments if, at any time during the Reinvestment Period, the Portfolio Manager elects (subject to the Management Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the investment or reinvestment of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be invested in additional Collateral Obligations (a "Special Redemption").

On the first Payment Date following the Due Period for which the notice is effective (a "Special Redemption Date"), the funds in the Collection Account or the Payment Account representing Principal Proceeds that, by operation of the preceding paragraph, are not reinvested in additional Collateral Obligations (the "Special Redemption Amount") will be available to be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments under Section 11.1(a)(ii). Notice of payments pursuant to this Section 9.5

shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than three Business Days before the applicable Special Redemption Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of DTC. In addition, (i) for so long as any Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of such exchange so require, notice of Special Redemption shall also be given by the Issuer or, upon Issuer Order, by the Irish Paying and Listing Agent in the name and at the expense of the Co-Issuers, to Noteholders by publication in the *Daily Official List* of the Irish Stock Exchange and (ii) for so long as any Class E Certificates, Class Q-1 Securities or Class P Securities are listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of Special Redemption of Notes shall also be given to the Administrator for forwarding to the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange.

#### Section 9.6. Amendment Buy-Out.

(a) In the case of any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Securities held by such Holders of the Class of Securities whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture (the "Amendment Buy-Out Option") for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price. If the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all such Securities of Non-Consenting Holders, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an "Amendment Buy-Out"). By its acceptance of its Securities hereunder, each Holder of Securities agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its applicable Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser; provided that if the solicited consent to a supplemental indenture only applies to one Class Q-1 Component, the Non-consenting Holder will be required to sell, at the Non-consenting Holder's option, its Class Q-1 Security as a whole or solely the affected Class Q-1 Component; provided, further that in the case of the Class P Securities of Non-consenting Holders, such Class P Securities will be deemed exchanged for their respective Components, only the Class E Certificates represented by the related Class E Certificate Component must be sold to an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for a price equal to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, which will be distributed to such Non-consenting Holders, and such Non-Consenting Holders will receive a distribution in kind of the related pro rata amount of the Class P U.S. Treasury Component. In the case of the Class A-1 Notes, if an Amendment Buy-Out occurs on a day (the "Amendment Buy-Out Trade Date") other than a Payment Date, the settlement of such Amendment Buy-Out will be deferred until the next following Payment Date (and, for the avoidance of doubt, the Non-Consenting Holder will be entitled to any payments received on such Payment Date and the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price will be calculated as of such Payment Date); provided that all other rights of a Holder or Beneficial Owner of such securities will be deemed transferred to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser as of the Amendment Buy-Out Trade Date. Neither the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser nor any other Person shall have any liability to any Holder or beneficial owner of Notes or Class E Certificates as a result of an election by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser not to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option.

(b) All purchases made pursuant to an Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Indenture Securities or Class E Certificates set forth herein (and in the case of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement and in the case of the Class A-1B Notes, the Class A-1B Note Purchase Agreement, as applicable) and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency). For the avoidance of doubt, any Amendment Buy-out of Class A-1A Notes shall include the

related Commitment thereunder and any Amendment Buy-out of Class A-1B Notes shall include the related obligation to fund the Fully Drawn Amount.

Section 9.7. Prepayments of Class A-1A Notes.

(a) During the Reinvestment Period, the Class A-1A Notes may be prepaid without premium on any Business Day (in whole or in part) at the option of the Issuer (at the direction of the Portfolio Manager acting pursuant to the Management Agreement) from (i) Principal Proceeds otherwise available for reinvestment in Collateral Obligations pursuant to the terms hereof or (ii) amounts credited to the Revolving Reserve Account so long as, after giving effect thereto, the aggregate Balance of all Eligible Investments credited to the Revolving Reserve Account will be at least equal to the Revolver Funding Reserve Amount. Furthermore, any amounts repaid may be reborrowed until the Commitment Termination Date.

(b) Any Prepayment shall be made pro rata according to the Drawn Amount of the Class A-1A Notes.

(c) The Issuer will duly and punctually perform each of its obligations under the Note Purchase Agreement.

(d) Subject to the requirement that the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Eligible Investments standing to the credit of the Revolving Reserve Account is at least equal to the Revolver Funding Reserve Amount, the Commitments in respect of the Class A-1A Notes will reduce automatically to the extent that principal is paid on the Class A-1A Notes as the result of a Mandatory Redemption or Special Redemption. Any such reduction will be final.

## ARTICLE 10

### ACCOUNTS, ACCOUNTINGS, AND RELEASES

Section 10.1. Collection of Money.

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, the Trustee may demand payment or delivery of, and shall receive and collect, directly and without intervention or assistance of any fiscal agent or other intermediary, all money and other property payable to or receivable by the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture, including all payments due on any item of Collateral, in accordance with the terms of such Collateral. The Trustee shall segregate and hold all money and property received by it in trust for the Secured Parties or the applicable Class P Securityholders, as the case may be, and shall apply it as provided in this Indenture. Any Account may contain any number of sub-accounts for the convenience of the Trustee or as required by the Portfolio Manager for convenience in administering the Accounts or the Collateral or the Class P Collateral

Section 10.2. Collection Account.

(a) Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Collection Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, and into which the Trustee shall from time to time deposit, in addition to the deposits required pursuant to Section 10.7(e), immediately upon the Trustee's receipt thereof:



(i) any funds transferred from (1) the Closing Date Expense Account pursuant to Section 10.3(g) or (2) the Interest Reserve Account pursuant to Section 10.3(i),

(ii) all Principal Proceeds (unless (1) simultaneously reinvested in Collateral Obligations in accordance with Article 12, (2) deposited into the Revolving Reserve Account, (3) posted by the Issuer as cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security or in Eligible Investments or (4) used to make Prepayments with respect to the Class A-1A Notes), received by the Trustee,

(iii) all Interest Proceeds received by the Trustee (unless simultaneously reinvested in accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations in accordance with Article 12 or in Eligible Investments), and

(iv) all other funds received by the Trustee and not excluded above.

In addition to the items described above, the Issuer may, but under no circumstances shall be required to, deposit from time to time any monies in the Collection Account it deems, in its sole discretion, to be advisable (and may designate any amounts deposited pursuant to this sentence as Principal Proceeds or Interest Proceeds in its discretion). Any Principal Proceeds received during the Reinvestment Period, and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments received after the Reinvestment Period, which have not been reinvested in additional Collateral Obligations on the Business Day of receipt shall be deposited in the Collection Account and shall at the direction of the Portfolio Manager be applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the other requirements set forth herein or the purchase of Eligible Investments pending such investment or used to enter into additional Hedge Agreements or used in connection with a Special Redemption. Principal Proceeds (other than Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments) received after the Reinvestment Period shall be deposited into the Collection Account and applied to the purchase of Eligible Investments. All monies deposited from time to time in the Collection Account pursuant to this Indenture shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and shall be applied to the purposes provided in this Indenture. Amounts in the Collection Account shall be reinvested pursuant to Section 10.4(a).

(b) Within one Business Day after receipt of any distribution or other proceeds of the Collateral that are not Cash, the Trustee shall so notify the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager. Within five Business Days of receipt of the notice from the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, shall sell the distribution or other proceeds for Cash in an arm's length transaction to a person that is not the Portfolio Manager or an Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager and deposit its proceeds in the Collection Account. The Issuer need not sell the distributions or other proceeds if it delivers an Issuer Order or an Officer's certificate to the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager certifying that the distributions or other proceeds are Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, or Workout Assets (other than Tax Affected Securities).

(c) During the Reinvestment Period (or, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations, after the Reinvestment Period), at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall withdraw funds on deposit in the Collection Account representing Principal Proceeds (and, to the extent expressly provided in this Indenture, Interest Proceeds) and reinvest (or invest, in the case of funds referred to in Section 7.18) the funds in Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral into the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account with (or for the

benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), or use such Principal Proceeds to make Prepayments on the Class A-1A Notes in accordance with Section 9.7, in each case in accordance with the requirements of Article 12 and the Issuer Order.

(d) At any time during or after the Reinvestment Period, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall, pay from amounts on deposit in the Collection Account on any Business Day during any Interest Period from Interest Proceeds only, any Administrative Expenses that require payment before the next Payment Date to the extent that the amount of the payments does not exceed the aggregate amount that may be paid on the next Payment Date under, and at the level of priority specified by, Section 11.1(a)(i)(1).

(e) The Trustee shall transfer to the Payment Account from the Collection Account for application pursuant to Section 11.1(a) on or not later than the Business Day preceding each Payment Date, the amount set forth to be so transferred in the Valuation Report for the Payment Date.

### Section 10.3. Other Accounts.

(a) Custodial Account. Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated trust account that shall be designated as the Custodial Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, and into which the Trustee shall deposit the Collateral Obligations and other Collateral not deposited elsewhere in accordance with this Indenture (other than Loans, Participations and general intangibles, which in the case of Loans and Participations, shall be held by the Trustee as provided in Section 3.2). All assets or securities at any time on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Custodial Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties and any funds in the Custodial Account, if invested, shall be invested in Eligible Investments. The only permitted withdrawals from the Custodial Account shall be in accordance with this Indenture. The Co-Issuers shall not have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Custodial Account other than in accordance with Section 3.2 and the Priority of Payments.

(b) Revolving Reserve Account. Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account which shall be designated as the Revolving Reserve Account which shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. Upon the purchase of any Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee shall deposit and at all times maintain Principal Proceeds and amounts drawn under the Class A-1A Notes into the Revolving Reserve Account, such that the amount of funds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account will be at least equal to 100% of the Revolver Funding Reserve Amount. Such Principal Proceeds so deposited shall be considered part of the Purchase Price of the related Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan for purposes of Article 12. All principal payments received on any Revolving Loan (except to the extent of any concurrent commitment reduction) will be deposited within two Business Days directly into the Revolving Reserve Account (and will not be available for distribution as Principal Proceeds) to the extent required to maintain the Revolver Funding Reserve Amount (including with respect to the amount of such principal payments that may be re-borrowed under such Revolving Loan). Amounts on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account shall be reinvested pursuant to Section 10.4(b). All interest and other income from amounts in the Revolving Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.4(b) shall be considered Interest Proceeds in the Due Period in which they are so deposited. At the direction of the Portfolio Manager at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period, the Trustee shall withdraw funds from the

Revolving Reserve Account to fund extensions of credit pursuant to Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans, respectively. Upon the sale, maturity or termination of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan in whole or in part or the reduction in part or termination of the Issuer's commitment thereunder, any funds in the Revolving Reserve Account in excess of the amount needed to maintain the Revolver Funding Reserve Amount shall be transferred from time to time by the Trustee (upon the direction of the Portfolio Manager) to the Collection Account and treated as Principal Proceeds.

(c) Expense Reimbursement Account. Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Expense Reimbursement Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On any Payment Date and on any date between Payment Dates, the Trustee will apply amounts, if any, in the Expense Reimbursement Account to the payment of expenses and fees that must be paid between Payment Dates or that are due on that Payment Date under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) and the Trustee shall on any Payment Date other than on the final redemption date of the Class E Certificates transfer to the Expense Reimbursement Account an amount equal to the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts due under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) to the Expense Reimbursement Account in accordance with Section 11.1(a)(i)(2). Funds in the Expense Reimbursement Account shall be invested in accordance with Section 10.4(a). Any funds remaining in the Expense Reimbursement Account as of the Determination Date relating to the final redemption date of the Class E Certificates shall be deposited in the Collection Account as Interest Proceeds for distribution on the Scheduled Class E Certificate Redemption Date as described under Section 11.1(a)(i).

(d) Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account. Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties (other than the Hedge Counterparty pledging the Collateral), over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. The Trustee shall deposit all collateral received from a Hedge Counterparty under any Hedge Agreement into the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account shall be:

- (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer under a Hedge Agreement if the Hedge Agreement becomes subject to early termination, or
- (ii) to return collateral to the relevant Hedge Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Hedge Agreement, in each case as directed by the Portfolio Manager.

Amounts on deposit in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account shall be invested pursuant to Section 10.4(a) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(e) Synthetic Security Collateral Account. Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal, and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Synthetic Security and delivers a copy of it to the Trustee, the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the Synthetic Security Collateral Account with respect to the Synthetic Security.

All Synthetic Security Collateral posted by any Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Synthetic Security shall be immediately deposited into the

Synthetic Security Collateral Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Synthetic Security. On each day on which amounts are payable to the Issuer out of Synthetic Security Collateral, the Issuer by Issuer Order shall direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, withdraw amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in an amount sufficient to make the payment as provided in the Issuer Order (including any total or partial release of Synthetic Security Collateral). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be (i) for application to the obligations of the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty under a Synthetic Security Agreement or (ii) to return Synthetic Security Collateral to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty at the termination of the relevant Synthetic Security Agreement or as otherwise required by the Synthetic Security Agreement, in each case as directed by the Portfolio Manager.

Amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be invested pursuant to Section 10.4(b) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(f) Securities Lending Account. Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Securities Lending Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal, and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Securities Lending Agreement and delivers a copy of it to the Trustee, the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the Securities Lending Account with respect to the Securities Lending Agreement. All Securities Lending Collateral posted by any Securities Lending Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Securities Lending Agreement shall be immediately deposited into the Securities Lending Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Securities Lending Agreement. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Securities Lending Account shall be:

(i) for application to obligations of the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty to the Issuer under a Securities Lending Agreement if the Securities Lending Agreement becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the related Securities Lending Agreement upon any “event of default” under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement, including liquidating the related Securities Lending Collateral, or

(ii) to return the Securities Lending Collateral to the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Securities Lending Agreement, in each case as directed by the Portfolio Manager.

Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be invested pursuant to Section 10.4(c). To the extent provided in a Securities Lending Agreement, earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be payable by the Issuer to the related Securities Lending Counterparty.

Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the loaned security or asset that relates to the Securities Lending Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer.

(g) Closing Date Expense Account. Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Closing Date Expense Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On the

Closing Date, the Trustee, at the direction of the Issuer, shall deposit into the Closing Date Expense Account approximately U.S.\$16,300,000 from the gross proceeds of the Offering. At any time before the earlier of (i) the Ramp-Up Completion Date and (ii) the Payment Date in March 2006, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall, pay from amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account any applicable fees and expenses of the Offering. On the Payment Date in March 2006, the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds and close the Closing Date Expense Account.

Amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account shall be invested pursuant to Section 10.4(a) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(h) Payment Account. Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Payment Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Payment Account shall be to pay amounts due and payable on the Notes in accordance with their terms and the provisions of this Indenture and to pay Administrative Expenses and other amounts specified in this Indenture, each in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Funds on deposit in the Payment Account, if invested, shall be invested in Eligible Investments. The Co-Issuers shall not have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Payment Account other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

(i) Interest Reserve Account. Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Interest Reserve Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On the Closing Date, the Trustee, at the direction of the Issuer, shall deposit into the Interest Reserve Account approximately U.S.\$4,100,000 from the gross proceeds of the Offering. On the first Payment Date, the Trustee at the direction of the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf shall pay from amounts on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account the amount necessary such that the amounts referred to in Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) through (17) will be paid in full on the first Payment Date. In addition, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall deposit all or any portion of the funds remaining on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account after application pursuant to the preceding sentence into the Collection Account as Interest Proceeds and/or as Principal Proceeds (allocated in such proportion as the Portfolio Manager directs in its sole discretion) for distribution on the first Payment Date. On the second Payment Date, the Trustee at the direction of the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf shall pay from any funds remaining on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account after the first Payment Date the amount necessary such that the amounts referred to in Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) through (17) will be paid in full on the second Payment Date. The Trustee shall transfer any remaining funds on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account on the second Payment Date (after application of any monies therefrom on such date) to the Collection Account, as directed by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion as Interest Proceeds and/or as Principal Proceeds (allocated in such proportion as the Portfolio Manager directs in its sole discretion) for distribution on the second Payment Date and close the Interest Reserve Account. Amounts on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account shall be invested pursuant to Section 10.4(a).

(j) Class A-1A Funding Account. The Trustee shall, prior to the Closing Date, establish a segregated trust account designated the Class A-1A Funding Account. Any Aggregate Undrawn Amount deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 2.12(c) as a result of the failure of a Holder of a Class A-1A Note to satisfy the Rating Criteria during the Draw Period and any subsequent

Prepayments in respect of such Holder's Class A-1A Notes shall be placed in a separate subaccount of the Class A-1A Funding Account relating to such Holder and shall be used by the Trustee to fund such holder's *pro rata* portion of any subsequent Borrowing on the Class A-1A Notes. Amounts so placed in the Class A-1A Funding Account shall, for all purposes under this Indenture, be part of the Aggregate Undrawn Amount and such Holder shall be entitled to receive the applicable Commitment Fee thereon. During the Reinvestment Period, amounts held in each subaccount of the Class A-1A Funding Account shall be invested in Eligible Investments at the direction of the related Holder (or, in the absence of such direction, in investments set forth in clause (i) of the definition of Eligible Investments) and the income from such investments shall be remitted to such Holder on each Payment Date. At the end of the Draw Period or as soon as practical after the Holder (or a transferee of such Holder) satisfies the Rating Criteria, any amounts remaining in the Class A-1A Funding Account or the related subaccount thereof shall be refunded to the related Holder along with any income and proceeds thereon.

(k) Class A-1B Funding Account. The Trustee shall, prior to the Closing Date, establish a segregated trust account designated the Class A-1B Funding Account. Any Aggregate Undrawn Amount deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 2.13(c) as a result of the failure of a Holder of a Class A-1B Note to satisfy the Rating Criteria during the Delayed Drawdown Period shall be placed in a separate subaccount of the Class A-1B Funding Account relating to such Holder and shall be used by the Trustee to fund such holder's *pro rata* portion of any subsequent Drawdown under the Class A-1B Notes. Amounts so placed in the Class A-1B Funding Account shall, for all purposes under this Indenture, be part of the Aggregate Undrawn Amount and such Holder shall be entitled to receive the applicable Delayed Drawdown Fee thereon. During the Delayed Drawdown Period, amounts held in each subaccount of the Class A-1B Funding Account shall be invested in Eligible Investments at the direction of the related Holder (or, in the absence of such direction, in investments set forth in clause (i) of the definition of Eligible Investments). Amounts in the Class A-1B Funding Account as of the Business Day prior to the first Payment Date will be automatically converted to constitute Drawn Amounts under the related Class A-1A Notes; provided that to the extent the amount in the Class A-1B Funding Account exceeds the related Holders *pro rata* share of the Fully Drawn Amount, such excess shall be remitted to such Holder on the first Payment Date.

(l) Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component Account. The Issuer shall, on or prior to the Closing Date, establish a segregated trust account designated the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component Account that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Class P-1 Securityholders, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, and into which the Trustee shall deposit the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component, which Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component shall be delivered to the Trustee by the Issuer on the Closing Date. All assets or securities at any time on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Class P-1 Securityholders. The only permitted withdrawals from the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component Account shall be in accordance with this Indenture. None of the Co-Issuers, the Holders of the Securities (other than the Class P-1 Securityholders) or any other Secured Party shall not have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component Account other than in accordance with Section 3.2 and the Priority of Payments. Any funds in the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Account, if invested, shall be invested in Eligible Investments pursuant to Section 11.2(b).

(m) Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component Account. The Issuer shall, on or prior to the Closing Date, establish a segregated trust account designated the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component Account that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Class P-2 Securityholders, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, and into which the Trustee shall deposit the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component, which Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component shall be delivered to the Trustee by the Issuer on the Closing Date. All assets or

securities at any time on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Class P-2 Securityholders. The only permitted withdrawals from the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component Account shall be in accordance with this Indenture. None of the Co-Issuers, the Holders of the Securities (other than the Class P-2 Securityholders) or any other Secured Party shall have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component Account other than in accordance with Section 3.2 and the Priority of Payments. Any funds in the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Account, if invested, shall be invested in Eligible Investments pursuant to Section 11.2(b).

(n) Class P-1 Principal Reserve Account. Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Class P-1 Principal Reserve Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Class P-1 Securityholders, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. The Trustee shall deposit into the Class P-1 Principal Reserve Account the amounts required to be deposited pursuant to Section 11.2(b). All assets or securities at any time on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Class P-1 Principal Reserve Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Class P-1 Securityholders. The only permitted withdrawals from the Class P-1 Principal Reserve Account shall be in accordance with this Indenture. None of the Co-Issuers, the Holders of the Securities (other than the Class P-1 Securityholders) or any other Secured Party shall have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Class P-1 Principal Reserve Account. Any funds in the Class P-1 Principal Reserve Account, if invested, shall be invested in Eligible Investments pursuant to Section 11.2(b).

(o) Class P-1 Collection Account. Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Class P-1 Collection Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Class P-1 Securityholders, into which the Issuer shall from time to time deposit all proceeds of the Class P-1 Collateral and payments on the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component. In addition, the Issuer may, but under no circumstances shall be required to, deposit or cause to be deposited from time to time such monies in the Class P-1 Collection Account as it deems, in its sole discretion, to be advisable. All monies deposited from time to time in the Class P-1 Collection Account pursuant to this Indenture shall be held in trust by the Trustee as part of the Class P-1 Collateral and shall be applied to the purposes provided herein. The Trustee agrees to give the Issuer immediate notice if it becomes aware or written notice that the Class P-1 Collection Account or any funds on deposit therein, or otherwise to the credit of the Class P-1 Collection Account, shall become subject to any writ, order, judgment, warrant of attachment, execution or similar process. Any funds in the Class P-1 Collection Account, if invested, shall be invested in Eligible Investments pursuant to Section 11.2(b).

(p) Class P-2 Collection Account. Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Class P-2 Collection Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Class P-2 Securityholders, into which the Issuer shall from time to time deposit all proceeds of the Class P-2 Collateral and payments on the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component. In addition, the Issuer may, but under no circumstances shall be required to, deposit or cause to be deposited from time to time such monies in the Class P-2 Collection Account as it deems, in its sole discretion, to be advisable. All monies deposited from time to time in the Class P-2 Collection Account pursuant to this Indenture shall be held in trust by the Trustee as part of the Class P-2 Collateral and shall be applied to the purposes provided herein. The Trustee agrees to give the Issuer immediate notice if it becomes aware or written notice that the Class P-2 Collection Account or any funds on deposit therein, or otherwise to the credit of the Class P-2 Collection Account, shall become subject to any writ, order, judgment, warrant of attachment,

execution or similar process. Any funds in the Class P-2 Collection Account, if invested, shall be invested in Eligible Investments pursuant to Section 11.2(b).

(q) In addition to any deposit, withdrawal, transfer or other application of funds with respect to any Account set forth in this Section 10.3 or in Section 10.2, any deposit, withdrawal, transfer or other application of funds with respect to any Account authorized elsewhere in this Indenture is hereby authorized pursuant to this Section 10.3.

(r) In order to comply with its obligations under the USA Patriot Act of 2001, if any, the Trustee shall be entitled to request and verify, and the Holders of Indenture Securities, beneficial owners, the Co-Issuers and other parties related to this Indenture shall be obligated to provide to the Trustee all the necessary information required by the USA Patriot Act of 2001.

Section 10.4. Investment of Funds in Accounts; Reports by Trustee.

(a) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall at all times before an Event of Default occurs, direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, invest all funds on deposit in the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account as so directed in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. All investments on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any investments. Before an Event of Default occurs, if the Issuer has not given investment directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Portfolio Manager within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Date Expense Account or the Interest Reserve Account. If the Trustee does not receive written instructions from the Portfolio Manager within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall invest and reinvest the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (c) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. After an Event of Default occurs, if the Issuer does not give investment directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall invest and reinvest the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (c) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing not later than the earlier of (i) 30 days after the date of the investment or (ii) the Business Day before the next Payment Date. All interest and other income from the investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from the investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from the investments shall be charged to the Collection Account. Subject to Section 6.6, the Trustee shall not in any way be held liable for the selection of investments or because of any insufficiency of the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Date Expense Account or the Interest Reserve Account or any other account that results from any loss relating to any such investment.

(b) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall at all times direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, invest all funds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, and the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities not later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase. All investments on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any investments. If before an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give investment directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Portfolio Manager within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Revolving Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account. If the Trustee does not thereupon receive written instructions from the



Portfolio Manager within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall invest and reinvest the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of “Eligible Investments” that are overnight funds. If after an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give investment directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall invest and reinvest the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of “Eligible Investments” that are overnight funds. All interest and other income from the investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from the investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from the investments shall be charged to the Collection Account.

(c) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall at all times direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, invest all funds on deposit in the Securities Lending Account in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. All investments on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any investments. The interest on the Eligible Investments shall be allocated between the Issuer and the Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the related Securities Lending Agreement. If before an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give investment directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Portfolio Manager within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Securities Lending Account. If the Trustee does not thereupon receive written instructions from the Portfolio Manager within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall invest and reinvest the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of “Eligible Investments” that mature no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. If after an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give investment directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall invest and reinvest the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of “Eligible Investments” maturing no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. All interest and other income from the investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from the investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from the investments shall be charged to the Collection Account.

(d) The Trustee agrees to give the Issuer notice as soon as reasonably practicable if a Trust Officer obtains actual knowledge that any Account or any funds on deposit in any Account, or otherwise to the credit of an Account, shall become subject to any writ, order, judgment, warrant of attachment, execution, or similar process. All Accounts shall remain at all times with the Custodian or a financial institution having a long-term debt rating of at least “Baa1” (and not on credit watch with negative implications) by Moody’s and at least “BBB+” by S&P and having combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000 that has entered into a securities account control agreement substantially in the form of Exhibit G.

(e) The Trustee shall supply, in a timely fashion, to the Co-Issuers and the Portfolio Manager any information regularly maintained by the Trustee that the Co-Issuers or the Portfolio Manager may from time to time request with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the Accounts and the Collateral and provide any other requested information reasonably available to the Trustee because of its acting as Trustee under this Indenture and required to be provided by Section 10.6, to permit the Portfolio Manager to perform its obligations under the Management Agreement. The Trustee shall promptly forward to the Portfolio Manager copies of notices and other writings received by it from the issuer of any Collateral Obligation or from any Clearing Agency with respect to any Collateral Obligation which notices or writings advise the holders of the security of any rights that the holders might have with respect to the Collateral Obligation (including requests to vote with respect to amendments or waivers and notices

of prepayments and redemptions) as well as all periodic financial reports received from the issuer and Clearing Agencies with respect to the issuer.

Section 10.5. Synthetic Security Counterparty Account.

(a) To the extent that any Synthetic Security requires the Issuer to secure its obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee and the Trustee shall establish a segregated non-interest bearing trust account for the Synthetic Security which shall be held in trust for the benefit of the related Synthetic Security Counterparty and over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and this Indenture (a "Synthetic Security Counterparty Account"). In the alternative, a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account may be established with a third party custodian designated by the Synthetic Security Counterparty if such custodian would qualify to be a successor trustee under Section 6.8 and the account satisfies the other requirements of this Section 10.5.

As directed in writing by the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee shall deposit (or deliver for deposit) into each Synthetic Security Counterparty Account all amounts or securities that are required to secure the obligations of the Issuer in accordance with the related Synthetic Security, including the entire notional amount of any Synthetic Security in the form of a credit default swap or other similar transaction. The Portfolio Manager shall direct any such deposit only during the Reinvestment Period and only to the extent that monies are available for the purchase of Collateral Obligations pursuant to this Indenture. Any income received on amounts in the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall, after application in accordance with the relevant Synthetic Security, be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Interest Proceeds.

(b) As directed by the Portfolio Manager in writing and in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and this Indenture, amounts on deposit in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be invested in Synthetic Security Collateral.

(c) In connection with the occurrence of a credit event or an event of default or a termination event (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security) under the related Synthetic Security, amounts in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be withdrawn by the Trustee (or the Trustee shall request their withdrawal) and applied toward the payment of any amounts payable by the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the Synthetic Security, as directed by the Portfolio Manager in writing. Any excess amounts held in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, or held directly by a Synthetic Security Counterparty, after payment of all amounts owing from the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the related Synthetic Security shall be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Principal Proceeds.

(d) Amounts on deposit in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the Synthetic Security that relates to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer (with the notional amount as the Principal Balance unless a default exists under the applicable Synthetic Security).

Section 10.6. Accountings.

(a) Monthly. Commencing the earlier of (a) the first full month after the Ramp-Up Completion Date and (b) the month ending March 2006, in the case of each month in which there is no Payment Date, not later than the eighth Business Day after the last calendar day of such month, the Issuer

shall cause to be compiled and provided to the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Class E Certificates), the Placement Agents, each Hedge Counterparty, the Rating Agencies, the Irish Paying and Listing Agent for forwarding to the Irish Stock Exchange (so long as any Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the Irish Stock Exchange so require), the Administrator for forwarding to the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange (so long as any Class E Certificates, Class Q-1 Securities or Class P Securities are listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange and the rules of the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange so require), (if so requested by the Initial Purchaser or the Placement Agent) the Repository in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(viii) or each Holder of a Note who makes a written request therefor, and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, the Beneficial Owner (or its designee), a monthly report (the “Monthly Report”). Each Monthly Report shall be accompanied by a Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice. The Monthly Report shall contain the following information, determined as of the last day of the applicable month, based in part on information provided by the Portfolio Manager (the “Monthly Determination Date”):

(i) Portfolio:

(A) The Aggregate Principal Balance (and, in the case of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its funded and unfunded amount), interest rate, Stated Maturity, and obligor of each Collateral Obligation;

(B) The stated principal balance of Defaulted Collateral Obligations;

(C) The identity of all Collateral Obligations and all obligations that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange do not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that were released for sale or other disposition (and, for each obligation sold, indicating whether sold as a Credit Risk Obligation, a Credit Improved Obligation, a Current-Pay Obligation, a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, a Workout Asset, or an obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation or whether sold in connection with any withholding tax pursuant to Section 12.1(e) or sold as a discretionary sale pursuant to Section 12.1(h)); and the identity of all Collateral Obligations that were acquired, in each case since the date of the previous Monthly Report;

(D) The obligor of each Workout Asset;

(E) The Purchase Price of each Collateral Obligation acquired, the sale price of each Collateral Obligation sold (or the adjusted purchase or sale price with respect to any exchange of securities requiring an allocation by the Portfolio Manager) since the date of the previous Monthly Report, and the gain or loss (measured against its Purchase Price) on each sale;

(F) The identity of each Collateral Obligation (1) that is a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, a Workout Asset or a PIK Security, and in the case of a PIK Security (i) the principal amount of previously deferred or capitalized interest and (ii) the change in the principal amount of previously deferred or capitalized interest since the most recent Monthly Report or (2) in respect of which an obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation has been received, in each case indicating the date of such default, as applicable, and reporting any Other Indebtedness, as defined in clause (ii) in the

definition of “Defaulted Collateral Obligation,” that the Portfolio Manager has determined not to be material;

(G) The S&P Industry Classification and the Moody’s Industry Classification for each Collateral Obligation and the five highest concentrations of Collateral Obligations in the Moody’s Industry Classification groups and the five highest concentrations of Collateral Obligations in the S&P Industry Classification groups;

(H) For each Collateral Obligation, the country of the obligor (and the related foreign currency debt rating) and, in the case of a country other than the United States of America, whether the obligor is Domiciled in a Moody’s Group I Country, Moody’s Group II Country, or Moody’s Group III Country and the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations issued by issuers in the applicable country;

(I) For each Collateral Obligation, the Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate and S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate;

(J) For each Collateral Obligation, the S&P Rating, and if any S&P Rating for any Collateral Obligation in any Monthly Report is a credit estimate, “non-public” rating or “shadow” rating, the rating shall not be disclosed, but shall be replaced with an asterisk in the place of the applicable credit estimate, “non-public” rating or “shadow” rating;

(K) For each Collateral Obligation, the Moody’s Rating and the Moody’s Rating Factor, determined, for this purpose, and set forth both with and without regard to whether the Collateral Obligation has been put on watch for possible upgrade or downgrade, and if any Moody’s Rating for any Collateral Obligation in any Monthly Report is an “estimated” or “shadow” rating, the rating shall not be disclosed, but shall be replaced with an asterisk in the place of the applicable “estimated” or “shadow” rating;

(L) The Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that have a Moody’s Rating of “Caa1” or lower;

(M) The Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that have an S&P Rating of “CCC+” or lower;

(N) For each Collateral Obligation that is a Participation or a Synthetic Security or is loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement, the related Secondary Risk Counterparty and each Rating Agency’s long-term unsecured debt rating of the Secondary Risk Counterparty;

(O) Certain S&P benchmarks relating to the portfolio as provided by S&P in the S&P CDO Monitor regardless whether or not the S&P CDO Monitor passes or fails, including (1) S&P Default Measure (Annualized Portfolio Default Rate), (2) S&P Variability Measure (Annualized Standard Deviation of Portfolio Default Rate), (3) S&P Correlation Measure (Ratio of Standard Deviation of Portfolio with Correlation to Standard Deviation of Portfolio without Correlation), and (4) Weighted Average Default Correlation;

(P) The identity and Market Value of each Collateral Obligation whose Market Value (in the determination of the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator) was determined pursuant to last proviso in the definition of “Market Value”;

(Q) The identity of each Collateral Obligation participated from or entered into with a Secondary Risk Counterparty; and

(R) The identity of each Collateral Obligation owned by the Issuer that has not been disposed of within the time limits required by this Indenture.

(ii) Accounts:

(A) The amount of any proceeds in the Collection Account, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds (excluding Uninvested Proceeds), and Uninvested Proceeds;

(B) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Revolving Reserve Account;

(C) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account;

(D) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Securities Lending Account; and

(E) The amount of any proceeds in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account;

(iii) Hedge Agreements:

(A) The outstanding notional amount of each Hedge Agreement; and

(B) The amount scheduled to be received and paid by the Issuer pursuant to each Hedge Agreement on the next Payment Date (as specified by the calculation agent under each Hedge Agreement);

(iv) Coverage Tests, Collateral Quality Tests and Reinvestment Overcollateralization

Test:

(A) The Overcollateralization Ratios and the Overcollateralization Ratios as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date; a statement as to whether each of the Overcollateralization Tests is satisfied and a statement as to whether the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test is satisfied;

(B) The Interest Coverage Ratios and, on and after the second Payment Date, a statement as to whether each of the Interest Coverage Tests is satisfied;

(C) The Diversity Score and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Diversity Test is satisfied;

(D) The Weighted Average Life of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied;

(E) The Moody's Weighted Average Recovery Rate, the S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test with respect to the Moody's Weighted Average Recovery Rate and Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test with respect to the S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate is satisfied;

(F) The Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied and a statement as to the amount of Spread Excess was used to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test;

(G) The Weighted Average Spread of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied and a statement as to the amount of Fixed Rate Excess was used to satisfy the Weighted Average Spread Test;

(H) The Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied; and

(I) The S&P CDO Monitor Test and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied and the Class Scenario Loss Rate and the then applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate with respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P and the Adjusted Weighted Average Spread level determined as set forth in the definition of "Note Break-Even Loss Rate";

(v) Concentration Limitations and Withholding Taxes:

(A) The percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount itemized against each element of the Concentration Limitations and a statement as to whether each Concentration Limitation is satisfied; and

(B) Any withholding tax on payments under any Collateral Obligation;

(vi) Securities Lending Agreements:

(A) Each Collateral Obligation loaned or borrowed pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount that represents Collateral Obligations that are loaned or borrowed pursuant to Securities Lending Agreements; and

(B) With respect to each Securities Lending Agreement in effect as of the Monthly Determination Date, a list setting forth:

(1) for each Collateral Obligation loaned or borrowed under it as of the first day of the loan, (x) its Principal Balance, (y) its Market Value, and (z) its Principal Balance expressed as a percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount,

- (2) the term of the loan of the Collateral Obligation,
- (3) the expiration date of the Securities Lending Agreement,
- (4) the Moody's Rating and S&P Rating for each loaned or borrowed Collateral Obligation,
- (5) the principal amount of the related Securities Lending Collateral held in the Securities Lending Account, and
- (6) the Eligible Investments held as Securities Lending Collateral pursuant to the related Securities Lending Agreement; and
- (vii) Any other information the Trustee reasonably requests;

Upon receipt of each Monthly Report, the Trustee shall compare the information contained in the Monthly Report to the information contained in its records with respect to the Collateral and shall, within three Business Days after receipt of such Monthly Report, notify the Issuer, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent and the Portfolio Manager if the information contained in the Monthly Report does not conform to the information maintained by the Trustee with respect to the Collateral, and shall detail any discrepancies. In the event that any discrepancy exists, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Portfolio Manager shall attempt to resolve the discrepancy. If such discrepancy cannot be promptly resolved, the Trustee shall within five Business Days after notification of such discrepancy cause the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8 to review such Monthly Report and the Trustee's records to determine the cause of such discrepancy. If such review reveals an error in the Monthly Report or the Trustee's records, the Monthly Report or the Trustee's records shall be revised accordingly and, as so revised, shall be used in making all calculations pursuant to this Indenture and notice of any error in the Monthly Report shall be sent as soon as practicable by the Issuer to all recipients of the report. If the review by the Independent accountants does not resolve the discrepancy, the Trustee, upon receipt of an Officer's certificate of the Portfolio Manager certifying that, the information contained in the related Monthly Report is correct, shall conform the information it maintains to the Monthly Report received.

(b) Payment Date Accounting. The Issuer shall cause to be rendered an accounting report (the "Valuation Report"), determined as of the close of business on each Determination Date, and provided to the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Class E Certificates), the Issuer, the Placement Agent, each Hedge Counterparty, the Rating Agencies, each Noteholder (if so requested by the Placement Agent), the Repository in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(viii), the Depository (with instructions to forward it to each of its Agent Members who are holders of Notes), the Irish Paying and Listing Agent for forwarding to the Irish Stock Exchange (so long as any Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the Irish Stock Exchange so require), the Administrator for forwarding to the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange (so long as any Class E Certificates, Class Q-1 Securities or Class P Securities are listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange and the rules of the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange so require), and upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner and the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) not later than the second Business Day preceding the related Payment Date. Each Valuation Report shall be accompanied by a Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice. The Valuation Report shall contain the following information as of the related Determination Date (unless otherwise stated), based in part on information provided by the Portfolio Manager:

- (i) Securities:

(A) The amount of principal payments to be made on each Class of Notes on the related Payment Date;

(B) The Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes after giving effect to any principal payments on the related Payment Date and, for each Class of Notes, the percentage of its initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount that amount represents;

(C) For each Class of Notes, the percentage of the initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all of the Notes that its initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount represented and, after giving effect to any principal payments on the related Payment Date, the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all of the Notes that its Aggregate Outstanding Amount represents;

(D) The interest payable in respect of each Class of Notes on the related Payment Date (in the aggregate and by Class) and its calculation in reasonable detail; and

(E) The amounts to be paid, if any, to the Class E Certificates Paying Agent for payments on the Class E Certificates on the related Payment Date, showing separately the payments from Interest Proceeds and the payments from Principal Proceeds;

(F) with respect to the Class Q-1 Securities, (A) the stated amount of the Class Q-1 Securities and (B) the Class Q-1 Rated Principal;

(G) With respect to the Class P Notes, the Class P-1 Nominal Principal Outstanding, the Class P-1 Rated Principal, the Class P-2 Nominal Principal Outstanding and the Class P-2 Rated Principal (in each case, after giving effect to the calculations required in the definition thereof for the next Class P Securities Payment Date);

(ii) Payment Date Payments:

(A) The amounts to be distributed under each clause of Sections 11.1(a)(i) and 11.1(a)(ii) itemized by clause, and to the extent applicable, by type of distribution under the clause; and

(B) Any amounts payable under the Hedge Agreements by any Hedge Counterparty on or before the related Payment Date and its calculation in reasonable detail (as specified by the calculation agent under the Hedge Agreement);

(iii) Accounts:

(A) The amount of any proceeds in the Collection Account, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds (excluding Uninvested Proceeds) and Uninvested Proceeds;

(B) The amount in the Collection Account after all payments and deposits to be made on the related Payment Date, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds and as Principal Proceeds;

(C) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Revolving Reserve Account;



(D) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account;

(E) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Securities Lending Account;

(F) The amount in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account; and

(G) The amount in the Expense Reimbursement Account;

(iv) A notice setting forth LIBOR, as calculated by the Calculation Agent, for the next Interest Period and each Note Interest Rate for the next Payment Date;

(v) All information required to be contained in the Monthly Report pursuant to Section 10.6(a) determined as of the Determination Date; and

(vi) Any other information the Trustee reasonably requests;

provided that the Determination Date for the Valuation Report for the first Payment Date shall be February 28, 2006 and provided further that with respect to the first Payment Date, (x) the Issuer shall cause to be rendered the Valuation Report not later than March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2006 and (y) in addition, the Issuer shall cause to be rendered to the persons and in the manner described above not later than the related Payment Date a short form valuation report which shall contain the following information as of the related Determination Date (unless otherwise stated), based in part on information provided by the Portfolio Manager:

(A) The Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Securities as of the Closing Date;

(B) The amount of principal payments to be made on each Class of Notes on the related Payment Date;

(C) The Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes after giving effect to any principal payments on the related Payment Date and, for each Class of Notes, the percentage of its initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount that amount represents;

(D) For each Class of Notes, the percentage of the initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all of the Notes that its initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount represented and, after giving effect to any principal payments on the related Payment Date, the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all of the Notes that its Aggregate Outstanding Amount represents;

(E) The interest (Commitment Fee and Delayed Drawdown Fee) payable in respect of each Class of Notes on the related Payment Date (in the aggregate and by Class) and its calculation in reasonable detail;

(F) The amounts to be paid, if any, to the Class E Certificates Paying Agent for payments on the Class E Certificates on the related Payment Date, showing separately the payments from Interest Proceeds and the payments from Principal Proceeds;

(G) with respect to the Class Q-1 Securities, ((A) the stated amount of the Class Q-1 Securities and (B) the Class Q-1 Rated Principal; and

(H) With respect to the Class P Notes, the Class P-1 Nominal Principal Outstanding, the Class P-1 Rated Principal, the Class P-2 Nominal Principal Outstanding and the Class P-2 Rated Principal (in each case, after giving effect to the calculations required in the definition thereof for the next Class P Securities Payment Date).

Upon receipt of each Valuation Report, the Trustee shall compare the information contained in the Valuation Report to the information contained in its records with respect to the Collateral and shall, within three Business Days after receipt of such Valuation Report, notify the Issuer, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent and the Portfolio Manager if the information contained in the Valuation Report does not conform to the information maintained by the Trustee with respect to the Collateral, and shall detail any discrepancies. In the event that any discrepancy exists, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Portfolio Manager shall attempt to resolve the discrepancy. If such discrepancy cannot be promptly resolved, the Trustee shall within five Business Days after notification of such discrepancy cause the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8 to review such Valuation Report and the Trustee's records to determine the cause of such discrepancy. If such review reveals an error in the Valuation Report or the Trustee's records, the Valuation Report or the Trustee's records shall be revised accordingly and, as so revised, shall be used in making all calculations pursuant to this Indenture and notice of any error in the Valuation Report shall be sent as soon as practicable by the Issuer to all recipients of such report. If the review by the Independent accountants does not resolve the discrepancy, the Trustee, upon receipt of an Officer's certificate of the Portfolio Manager certifying that, the information contained in the related Valuation Report is correct, shall conform the information it maintains to the Valuation Report received.

(c) Failure to Provide Accounting. If the Trustee shall not have received any accounting provided for in Section 10.6(b) on the first Business Day after the date on which the accounting is due to the Trustee, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager, and the Portfolio Manager shall use all reasonable efforts to cause the accounting to be made by the applicable Payment Date. To the extent the Trustee is required to provide any information or reports pursuant to this Section 10.6 as a result of the failure of the Issuer (or anyone acting on the Issuer's behalf) to provide the information or reports, the Trustee may retain an Independent certified public accountant in connection therewith and the reasonable costs incurred by the Trustee for the Independent certified public accountant shall be reimbursed pursuant to Section 6.7.

(d) Quarterly Letter. The Portfolio Manager shall provide a quarterly letter to the recipients of the Valuation Report highlighting events occurring during the related quarterly period within 30 days of the date of the delivery of the Valuation Report.

(e) S&P CDO Monitor. On or after the Ramp-Up Completion Date and together with each Monthly Report, the Issuer shall provide to S&P the Excel Default Model Input File.

(f) Payments or Transfers from the Payment Account. Each Valuation Report shall constitute instructions to the Trustee to withdraw on the related Payment Date from the Payment Account and pay or transfer amounts set forth in such Valuation Report in the manner specified and in accordance with the priority established in Section 11.1 hereof.

(g) Net Asset Value Calculation. The Trustee shall forward to the Portfolio Manager, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Class E Certificates), the Placement Agent, the Initial Purchaser, each Hedge Counterparty, the Rating Agencies, the

Repository (but only if so requested by the Placement Agent) in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(viii) or each Holder of a Note who makes a written request therefor, and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, the Beneficial Owner (or its designee), any net asset value report with respect to the Issuer which the Trustee receives from the asset value calculation agent appointed pursuant to Section 10.8(a) hereof.

Section 10.7. Release of Collateral.

(a) The Trustee shall present Collateral for redemption or payment in full in accordance with the terms of the Collateral upon receipt of an Issuer Order. The Issuer may, by Issuer Order executed by an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager, delivered to the Trustee at least two Business Days before the settlement date for any sale of an obligation certifying that the sale of the Collateral is being made in accordance with Sections 12.1 and 12.3 and the sale complies with all applicable requirements of Section 12.1, direct the Trustee to release the Collateral and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall deliver any such Collateral, if in physical form, duly endorsed to the broker or purchaser designated in the Issuer Order or otherwise cause an appropriate transfer of it to be made, in each case against receipt of the sales price therefor as specified by the Portfolio Manager in the Issuer Order. The Trustee may deliver any such Collateral in physical form for examination pursuant to a bailee letter.

(b) The Trustee shall upon an Issuer Order executed by an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager deliver any Pledged Obligation that is set for any mandatory call or redemption or payment in full to the appropriate paying agent on or before the date set for the call, redemption, or payment, in each case against receipt of its call or redemption price or payment in full and provide notice of it to the Portfolio Manager.

(c) Upon receiving actual notice of any Offer, the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer shall notify the Portfolio Manager of any Collateral Obligation that is subject to a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion, or other similar action (an “Offer”). If no Event of Default is continuing, the Portfolio Manager may direct the Trustee to accept or participate in or decline or refuse to participate in the Offer and, in the case of acceptance or participation, to dispose of the Collateral Obligation in accordance with the Offer against receipt of payment for it. If the consideration to be received by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation is other than Cash, the consideration must be a Collateral Obligation that would be eligible for purchase by the Issuer pursuant to Section 12.2 assuming for this purpose that the Issuer committed to purchase the same on the date on which the Issuer accepts the Offer.

(d) Upon disposition by the Trustee of Collateral to any person against receipt of payment therefor as provided in any of the foregoing clauses (a), (b), or (c), the Collateral shall be free of the lien of this Indenture. The lien shall continue in the proceeds received from the disposition.

(e) As provided in Section 10.2(b), the Trustee shall deposit any proceeds received by it from the disposition of a Pledged Obligation in the Collection Account, unless simultaneously applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer’s purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or Eligible Investments as permitted under and in accordance with the requirements of this Article 10 and Article 12.

(f) Subject to Article 4, the Trustee shall, upon receipt of an Issuer Order when no Notes are Outstanding (and the Commitment of the Class A-1A Notes has been reduced to zero) and all

obligations of the Co-Issuers under this Indenture have been satisfied, as evidenced by an Officer's Certificate or an Opinion of Counsel, release any remaining Collateral from the lien of this Indenture.

(g) The Trustee shall release from the lien of this Indenture any Collateral that is provided directly to a Synthetic Securities Counterparty or deposited in a segregated account in accordance with Section 10.5. Any Collateral or proceeds received by or redeposited by the Issuer into the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.5 shall again be subject to the lien of this Indenture.

Any collateral deposited in a segregated account in accordance with Section 10.3(d), (e), and (f) shall be subject to the lien of this Indenture for the benefit of the Secured Parties. Any collateral withdrawn by the Issuer in accordance with Section 10.3(d), (e), and (f) shall be released from the lien of this Indenture by the Trustee to the extent returned to the appropriate counterparty pursuant to Sections 10.3(d), (e), and (f).

#### Section 10.8. Reports by Independent Accountants.

(a) At the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, shall appoint a firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation for purposes of preparing and delivering the reports or certificates of the accountants required by this Indenture. Within 30 days of any resignation by the firm, the Issuer, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, shall promptly appoint by Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee and each Rating Agency a successor firm that is a firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation. If the Issuer, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, fails to appoint a successor to a firm of Independent certified public accountants which has resigned within 30 days after the resignation, the Trustee, in consultation with the Portfolio Manager, shall promptly appoint a successor firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation. In addition, the Issuer shall appoint an net asset value calculation agent to prepare and deliver to the Trustee a net asset value report with respect to the Issuer. The fees of such Independent certified public accountants, the NAV calculation agent and their respective successors shall be payable by the Issuer as an Administrative Expense.

(b) On or before December 31 of each year commencing in 2006, the Issuer shall cause to be delivered to the Trustee, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates), the Portfolio Manager or each Noteholder or Holder of Class E Certificates upon written request therefor, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) and each Rating Agency a statement from a firm of Independent certified public accountants indicating (i) that the firm has reviewed each Valuation Report received since the last review and applicable information from the Trustee, (ii) that the calculations within those Valuation Reports have been performed in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture (except as otherwise noted in the statement), and (iii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the preceding Determination Date. If a conflict exists between the firm of Independent certified public accountants and the Issuer with respect to any matter in this Section 10.8, the determination by that firm of Independent public accountants shall be conclusive. The statement shall be in the form of an Accountant's Certificate issued to the Issuer, the form of which shall be agreed on by the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer.

(c) Upon the written request of the Class E Certificates Paying Agent or any Holder of Class E Certificates, the Issuer shall cause the firm of Independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to Section 10.8(a) to provide any Holder of Class E Certificates with all information

requested pursuant to Section 7.16(k) and (l) or provide the Issuer with any assistance required in its preparation.

Section 10.9. Reports to Rating Agencies.

In addition to the information and reports specifically required to be provided to each Rating Agency pursuant to this Indenture, the Issuer shall provide each Rating Agency with the Accountants' Certificates delivered to the Trustee under this Indenture, and such additional information as either Rating Agency may from time to time reasonably request. In addition, any notices of restructurings and amendments received by the Issuer or the Trustee in connection with the Issuer's ownership of a DIP Loan shall be delivered by the Issuer or the Trustee, as the case may be, promptly to the Rating Agencies.

ARTICLE 11

APPLICATION OF MONIES

Section 11.1. Disbursements of Monies from Payment Account.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision in this Indenture, but subject to the other subsections of this Section 11.1 and to Section 13.1, on each Payment Date, the Trustee shall disburse available amounts from the Payment Account as follows and for application by the Trustee in accordance with the following priorities (the "Priority of Payments"):

(i) On each Payment Date, Interest Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period (other than Interest Proceeds previously used during such Due Period to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations or otherwise used as permitted by Section 10.2) shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

(1) to the payment of any taxes and registration and filing fees owed by the Co-Issuers (without limit) and then to the payment of Administrative Expenses up to the Administrative Expense Cap as follows:

First, in the following order of priority,

- (i) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Trustee; and then
- (ii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Collateral Administrator; and then
- (iii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Class E Certificates Paying Agent;
- (iv) pro rata, fees, expenses and indemnities of the Revolving Note Agent and the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent; and

Second, in the following order of priority,

- (x) fees and expenses of the Administrator; and then
- (y) fees and expenses of the Co-Issuers (including fees and expenses of counsel and surveillance, credit estimate, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies) and any other person (except the Portfolio Manager) if specifically provided for in this

Indenture, and to the expenses (but not fees) of the Portfolio Manager if payable under the Management Agreement;

(2) other than on the final redemption date of the Class E Certificates, the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts paid pursuant to clause (1) above to deposit into the Expense Reimbursement Account;

(3) to the payment to the Portfolio Manager of any accrued and unpaid Senior Management Fee then due and payable;

(4) to the payment of all amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements (if any) other than any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;

(5) *pro rata* to the payment of (a) accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes (in each case *pro rata* in proportion to the respective amounts of interest, Defaulted Interest and Defaulted Interest Charge then due on such Classes), (b) any accrued and unpaid Commitment Fee Amount, and (c) any accrued and unpaid Delayed Drawdown Fee;

(6) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-2 Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-2 Notes;

(7) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-3 Notes and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-3 Notes;

(8) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-4 Notes and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-4 Notes;

(9) if either of the Class A Coverage Tests is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date, to the payment of *first*, the principal of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes, to be allocated as provided in Section 13.3(a), *second* the principal of the Class A-2 Notes, *third* the principal of the Class A-3 Notes and *fourth* the principal of the Class A-4 Notes, to the extent necessary to cause both Class A Coverage Tests to be met as of such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (9) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(1) on the current Payment Date);

(10) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B Notes (excluding Class B Deferred Interest, but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class B Deferred Interest);

(11) if either of the Class B Coverage Tests is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date, to the payment of *first*, the principal of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes, to be allocated as provided in

Section 13.3(a), *second* the principal of the Class A-2 Notes, *third* the principal of the Class A-3 Notes, *fourth* the principal of the Class A-4 Notes, *fifth* the Deferred Interest on the Class B Notes and *sixth* the principal of the Class B Notes, to the extent necessary to cause both Class B Coverage Tests to be met as of such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (11) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(1) on the current Payment Date);

(12) to the payment of Class B Deferred Interest;

(13) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class C Notes (excluding Class C Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class C Deferred Interest);

(14) if either of the Class C Coverage Tests is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date, (1) if the Class A Coverage Tests and the Class B Coverage Tests were satisfied on such Determination Date without giving effect to any payments pursuant to clauses (9) and (11), as applicable, *first* to pay Deferred Interest on the Class C Notes and *second* to pay the principal of the Class C Notes, to the extent necessary to cause both Class C Coverage Tests to be met as of such Determination Date, or (2) if any of the Class A Coverage Tests or the Class B Coverage Tests were not satisfied on such Determination Date without giving effect to any payments pursuant to clauses (9) and (11), as applicable, to the payment of *first*, the principal of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes, to be allocated as provided in Section 13.3(a), *second* the principal of the Class A-2 Notes, *third* the principal of the Class A-3 Notes, *fourth* the principal of the Class A-4 Notes, *fifth* the Deferred Interest on the Class B Notes, *sixth* the principal of the Class B Notes, *seventh* the Deferred Interest on the Class C Notes and *eighth* the principal of the Class C Notes, to the extent necessary to cause both Class C Coverage Tests to be met as of such Determination Date, in each case on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (14) before the application of any Principal Proceeds Section 11.1(a)(ii)(1) on the current Payment Date);

(15) to the payment of Class C Deferred Interest;

(16) in the event of a Rating Confirmation Failure, to the payment of *first*, the principal of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes, to be allocated as provided in Section 13.3(a), *second* the principal of the Class A-2 Notes, *third* the principal of the Class A-3 Notes, *fourth* the principal of the Class A-4 Notes, *fifth* the Deferred Interest on the Class B Notes, *sixth* the principal of the Class B Notes, *seventh* the Deferred Interest on the Class C Notes and *eighth* the principal of the Class C Notes, in each case until and to the extent necessary for each Rating Agency to confirm the ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to each Class of Notes;

(17) during the Reinvestment Period, if the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date after giving effect to payments pursuant to clauses (1)-(16), for deposit to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds for the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations 50%

of the remaining Interest Proceeds available after the payments pursuant to clause (16) above;

(18) to the payment of any remaining Administrative Expenses not paid under clause (1) above in the respective priorities specified in clause (1);

(19) to the payment, to the Portfolio Manager, of accrued and unpaid Subordinated Management Fee then due and payable;

(20) to each Holder of Notes entitled thereto, the applicable Extension Bonus Payment pursuant to, and in accordance with, Section 2.4(g);

(21) to the payment to the Hedge Counterparties of any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;

(22) to the Class E Certificates Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Class E Certificates Distribution Account for distribution to the Holders of the Class E Certificates until the Holders of the Class E Certificates have realized a Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return of 12.0%;

(23) to the payment to the Portfolio Manager of the Incentive Management Fee, if applicable; and

(24) any remaining Interest Proceeds, to the Class E Certificates Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Class E Certificates Distribution Account for distribution to the Holders of the Class E Certificates.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, Interest Proceeds shall not be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments to pay Class P Administrative Expenses, which amounts will be payable only pursuant to Section 11.2.

(ii) On each Payment Date, Principal Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period other than:

(A) Principal Proceeds previously reinvested in Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or otherwise used as permitted by Section 10.2, including for Prepayments on the Class A-1A Notes;

(B) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account or the Securities Lending Account; and

(C) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed Purchase Prices for Collateral Obligations with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment before the end of the Due Period for their purchase, but has not settled the purchase by the end of the Due Period;

shall be distributed in the following order of priority:



(1) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (13) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder, provided, that each payment of any of the amounts referred to in clauses (10), (12) and (13) of Section 11.1(a)(i) may only be made, if and to the extent each Coverage Test is met on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to such payment;

(2) if any Class C Coverage Test is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date, to the payment of *first* the principal of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes, to be allocated as provided in Section 13.3(a), *second* the principal of the Class A-2 Notes, *third* the principal of the Class A-3 Notes, *fourth* the principal of the Class A-4 Notes, *fifth* the Deferred Interest on the Class B Notes, *sixth* the principal of the Class B Notes, *seventh* the Deferred Interest on the Class C Notes, and *eighth* the principal of the Class C Notes, to the extent necessary to cause both Class C Coverage Tests to be met as of such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full;

(3) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (15) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; provided, that such payment may only be made if and to the extent each Coverage Test is met on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to such payment;

(4) in the event of a Rating Confirmation Failure and to the extent payments pursuant to clause (16) of Section 11.1(a)(i) above were not sufficient to cause each Rating Agency to confirm the ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to each Class of Notes, to the payment of *first* the principal of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes, to be allocated as provided in Section 13.3(a), *second* the principal of the Class A-2 Notes, *third* the principal of the Class A-3 Notes, *fourth* the principal of the Class A-4 Notes, *fifth* the Deferred Interest on the Class B Notes, *sixth* the principal of the Class B Notes, *seventh* the Deferred Interest on the Class C Notes, and *eighth* the principal of the Class C Notes, in each case until and to the extent necessary for each Rating Agency to confirm the ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to each Class of Notes;

(5) if the Payment Date is a Special Redemption Date, to the payment of *first* the principal of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes, to be allocated as provided in Section 13.3(a), *second* the principal of the Class A-2 Notes, *third* the principal of the Class A-3 Notes, *fourth* the principal of the Class A-4 Notes, *fifth* the Deferred Interest on the Class B Notes, *sixth* the principal of the Class B Notes, *seventh* the Deferred Interest on the Class C Notes, and *eighth* the principal of the Class C Notes, in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount;

(6) (a) during the Reinvestment Period, the remaining Principal Proceeds for deposit to the Collection Account for the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.18 and Article 12 (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral into the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), or (b) after the Reinvestment Period, (i) at the discretion of the Portfolio Manager and solely to the extent of Principal Proceeds constituting

Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations, for deposit to the Collection Account for the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the provision of Section 7.19 and Article 12 (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) when appropriate Collateral Obligations are available and (ii) all other remaining amounts to the payment of *first* the principal of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes, to be allocated as provided in Section 13.3(a), *second* the principal of the Class A-2 Notes, *third* the principal of the Class A-3 Notes, *fourth* the principal of the Class A-4 Notes, *fifth* the Deferred Interest on the Class B Notes, *sixth* the principal of the Class B Notes, *seventh* the Deferred Interest on the Class C Notes, and *eighth* the principal of the Class C Notes;

(7) to the payment of the amounts referred in clauses (18) through (21) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(8) to the Class E Certificates Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Class E Certificates Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Class E Certificates until the Holders of the Class E Certificates have realized a Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return of 12%;

(9) to the payment to the Portfolio Manager of the Incentive Management Fee, if applicable; and

(10) to the Class E Certificates Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Class E Certificates Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Class E Certificates.

The calculation on any Coverage Test on any Measurement Date shall be made by giving effect to all payments to be made pursuant to all subclauses of the Priority of Payments as applicable, payable on the Payment Date following such Measurement Date. In addition no Principal Proceeds will be used to pay a subordinated Class on a Payment Date if, after giving effect to such payment, any Coverage Test of a more senior Class of Notes is failing on such Payment Date or would fail as a result of such application of the Principal Proceeds on such Payment Date.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, Principal Proceeds shall not be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments to pay Class P Administrative Expenses, which amounts will be payable only pursuant to Section 11.2.

(b) If on any Payment Date the amount available in the Payment Account is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for in the order and according to the priority under Section 11.1(a), subject to Section 13.1, to the extent funds are available therefor.

(c) The Trustee shall remit funds to pay Administrative Expenses of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in accordance with Section 11.1(a), to the extent available, to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer as directed and designated in an Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions) delivered to the Trustee on each Payment Date.

(d) If the Hedge Counterparty defaults in the payment of its obligations to the Issuer under the respective Hedge Agreements on the date on which any payment is due thereunder, the Trustee shall make a demand on the Hedge Counterparty, or any guarantor, if applicable, demanding payment by 12:30 p.m., New York time, on that date. The Trustee shall give notice to the Noteholders, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates), the Portfolio Manager and each Rating Agency upon the continuing failure by the Hedge Counterparty to perform its obligations during the two Business Days following a demand made by the Trustee on the Hedge Counterparty, and shall take the action with respect to the continuing failure as directed by the Portfolio Manager unless an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing in which case direction is to be taken pursuant to Section 5.13.

(e) Except as otherwise expressly provided in Section 11.1(a) above, if on any Payment Date, the amount available in the Payment Account from amounts received in the related Due Period is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by any numbered or lettered paragraph or clause of Section 11.1(a) to different persons, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for by the paragraph or clause ratably in accordance with the respective amounts of the disbursements then payable, subject to Section 13.1, to the extent funds are available therefor.

Section 11.2. Payments on Class P Securities.

(a) *Mandatory Accelerated Payments; Optional Accelerated Payments.*

(i) On each Payment Date, until the outstanding balance of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component is reduced to \$10,000, the Trustee shall obtain an Class P U.S. Treasury Bid on a portion of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component with a face amount equal to the Class P-1 Accelerated Payment Notional Amount as of such Payment Date. If such Class P U.S. Treasury Bid is equal to or higher than the corresponding reference price set forth in Annex A, the Trustee shall liquidate, on behalf of the Class P-1 Securityholders, a portion of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component with a face amount equal to the Class P-1 Accelerated Payment Notional Amount at such Class P U.S. Treasury Bid (such sale proceeds less any transaction costs, the “Class P-1 Mandatory Accelerated Payment”) not later than 2 Business Days after such Payment Date; provided, that, not later than 15 Business Days prior to any Payment Date, a Majority of the Class P-1 Securityholders may elect, by written notice to the Trustee, to waive the Class P-1 Mandatory Accelerated Payment for such Payment Date and all Payment Dates thereafter; provided, further, that not later than 15 Business Days prior to any subsequent Payment Date, a Majority of the Class P-1 Securityholders may, by written notice to the Trustee, reinstate the Class P-1 Mandatory Accelerated Payment for such Payment Date and/or all Payment Dates thereafter, as set forth in such notice. If the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Bid is lower than the corresponding reference price set forth in Annex A, the Trustee shall notify the Class P-1 Securityholders of such Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Bid not later than 2 Business Days after such Payment Date. Not later than 3 Business Days after such notice, the Class P-1 Securityholders representing a Majority of the Class P-1 Securities may instruct the Trustee of a face amount of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component to liquidate (the “Class P-1 Optional Accelerated Payment Notional Amount”, which amount shall not exceed the applicable Class P-1 Accelerated Payment Notional Amount) and the minimum acceptable liquidation value. Not later than 2 Business Days after such direction, the Trustee shall liquidate, on behalf of the Class P-1 Securityholders, a portion of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component with a face amount equal to the Class P-1 Optional Accelerated Payment Notional Amount at the then-prevailing Class P U.S. Treasury Bid (such sale proceeds less any transaction costs, the “Class P-1 Optional Accelerated Payment”); provided, that the liquidation value at such Class P U.S. Treasury Bid is equal to or higher than the minimum acceptable liquidation value provided by the Class P-1 Securityholders. If no such direction is given by the Class P-1 Securityholders representing a Majority of the Class P-1 Securities or if the then-prevailing Class P U.S. Treasury Bid would result in a liquidation value that is lower than the minimum

acceptable liquidation value provided by the Class P-1 Securityholders, the Trustee shall not liquidate any portion of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component. All proceeds from the liquidation of the Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component shall be deposited into the Class P-1 Collection Account.

(ii) On each Payment Date, until the outstanding balance of the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component is reduced to \$10,000, the Trustee shall obtain an Class P U.S. Treasury Bid on a portion of the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component with a face amount equal to the Class P-2 Accelerated Payment Notional Amount as of such Payment Date. If such Class P U.S. Treasury Bid is equal to or higher than the corresponding reference price set forth in Annex B, the Trustee shall liquidate, on behalf of the Class P-2 Securityholders, a portion of the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component with a face amount equal to the Class P-2 Accelerated Payment Notional Amount at such Class P U.S. Treasury Bid (such sale proceeds less any transaction costs, the “Class P-2 Mandatory Accelerated Payment”) not later than 2 Business Days after such Payment Date; provided, that, not later than 15 Business Days prior to any Payment Date, a Majority of the Class P-2 Securityholders may elect, by written notice to the Trustee, to waive the Class P-2 Mandatory Accelerated Payment for such Payment Date and all Payment Dates thereafter; provided, further, that not later than 15 Business Days prior to any subsequent Payment Date, a Majority of the Class P-2 Securityholders may, by written notice to the Trustee, reinstate the Class P-2 Mandatory Accelerated Payment for such Payment Date and/or all Payment Dates thereafter, as set forth in such notice. If the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Bid is lower than the corresponding reference price set forth in Annex B, the Trustee shall notify the Class P-2 Securityholders of such Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Bid not later than 2 Business Days after such Payment Date. Not later than 3 Business Days after such notice, the Class P-2 Securityholders representing a Majority of the Class P-2 Securities may instruct the Trustee of a face amount of the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component to liquidate (the “Class P-2 Optional Accelerated Payment Notional Amount”, which amount shall not exceed the applicable Class P-2 Accelerated Payment Notional Amount) and the minimum acceptable liquidation value. Not later than 2 Business Days after such direction, the Trustee shall liquidate, on behalf of the Class P-2 Securityholders, a portion of the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component with a face amount equal to the Class P-2 Optional Accelerated Payment Notional Amount at the then-prevailing Class P U.S. Treasury Bid (such sale proceeds less any transaction costs, the “Class P-2 Optional Accelerated Payment”); provided, that the liquidation value at such Class P U.S. Treasury Bid is equal to or higher than the minimum acceptable liquidation value provided by the Class P-2 Securityholders. If no such direction is given by the Class P-2 Securityholders representing a Majority of the Class P-2 Securities or if the then-prevailing Class P U.S. Treasury Bid would result in a liquidation value that is lower than the minimum acceptable liquidation value provided by the Class P-2 Securityholders, the Trustee shall not liquidate any portion of the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component. All proceeds from the liquidation of the Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component shall be deposited into the Class P-2 Collection Account.

(b) *Deposit in the Class P Accounts.* On each Payment Date, amounts distributable to the Class P Securityholders with respect to the Class P Class E Certificate Components shall be deposited into the Class P-1 Collection Account and the Class P-2 Collection Account, as applicable. The applicable Class P Accounts Securities Intermediary shall promptly invest amounts held in such accounts in the JPMorgan Fleming U.S. Dollar Liquidity Fund Premier #6052, to the extent such investment constitutes an Eligible Investment, or in other Eligible Investments as directed by the Issuer. Subject to clause (e) below, all monies deposited (or to be deposited) in the Class P-1 Collection Account and the proceeds thereof shall be used solely for payments on the Class P-1 Securities and payment of the Class P-1 Administrative Expenses. Subject to clause (e) below, all monies deposited (or to be deposited) in the Class P-2 Collection Account and the proceeds thereof shall be used solely for payments on the Class P-2 Securities and payment of the Class P-2 Administrative Expenses.

(c) *Class P Securities Payment Date.* On each Class P Securities Payment Date, (i) an amount equal to the Class P-1 Net Periodic Distribution for such Class P Securities Payment Date shall

be distributed to the Class P-1 Securityholders and (ii) an amount equal to the Class P-2 Net Periodic Distribution for such Class P Securities Payment Date shall be distributed to the Class P-2 Securityholders. Except as provided in clause (e), no other amounts shall be payable by the Issuer with respect to the Class P Securities.

(d) *Redemption; Liquidation.* Following (i) an Optional Redemption (or other earlier redemption) of the Class E Certificates or (ii) the liquidation and distribution of the Collateral in full, if any Class P Securities are then Outstanding, each Class P Security will be redeemed by the Issuer, in whole, but not in part, on the next following Class P Securities Payment Date from the Class P-1 Collateral or Class P-2 Collateral, as applicable, available for that purpose, in each case, at the applicable Class P-1 Redemption Price or Class P-2 Redemption Price.

(e) *Class P-1 Stated Maturity.* Prior to the Stated Maturity, the Class P-1 Nominal Principal Outstanding shall not be reduced to less than \$500,000, and following the reduction of the Class P-1 Nominal Principal Amount Outstanding to \$500,000, on each Class P Securities Payment Date an amount equal to the amount that would otherwise be distributed with respect to the Class P-1 Securities on such date *less* the Class P-1 Notional Coupon Payment on the applicable Class P Securities Payment Date (so long as such Class P-1 Notional Coupon Payment is greater than zero) shall be withheld and deposited into the Class P-1 Principal Reserve Account until the balance of the Class P-1 Principal Reserve Account is equal to \$500,000. On the Stated Maturity (or, if earlier, redemption of the Class P-1 Securities), the Class P-1 Principal Reserve Account shall be liquidated and distributed to the Class P-1 Securityholders as the final payment on the Class P-1 Securities. The Class P-1 Notional Coupon Rate shall be adjusted upward accordingly should such final payment be higher than the Class P-1 Nominal Principal Outstanding at that time.

(f) In connection with the liquidation of any U.S. Treasury securities represented by a Class P U.S. Treasury Component (or portion thereof), the Class P Securityholders, by their purchase of such Class P Securities, acknowledge and agree that (i) the Trustee may utilize any dealer, including the Initial Purchaser, to accomplish the liquidation of such U.S. Treasury securities (or portion thereof), (ii) the price obtained by the Trustee from such dealer shall be deemed to be the fair market value for such U.S. Treasury securities represented by the Class P U.S. Treasury Component (or portion thereof) and (iii) they shall have no recourse to the Trustee or such dealer in connection with such liquidation..

(g) In the event that (i) the Class P-1 Collateral is not sufficient to pay the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class P-1 Securities or (ii) the Class P-2 Collateral is not sufficient to pay the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class P-2 Securities, the Issuer shall have no obligation whatsoever to pay any such deficiency, except, in each case to the extent of payment with respect to the related Class P Class E Certificate Component in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Class E Certificate Documents.

(h) For the purpose of determining whether any percentage of Class P-1 Securityholders or Class P-2 Securityholders have consented or instructed the Issuer or the Trustee as provided herein, the Issuer and the Trustee shall exclusively rely and be fully protected when calculating the applicable percentages on the last Class P Certificate of Ownership filed with the Trustee prior to the date the Class P-1 Securityholders or Class P-2 Securityholders, as applicable, instructed the Issuer or the Trustee or granted their consent for any action. The Issuer and the Trustee shall have no knowledge of any beneficial owners except as set forth in the certificate (the "Class P Certificate of Ownership") attached hereto as Exhibit K. On or promptly after the Closing Date, each beneficial owner of the Class P-1 Noteholders or Class P-2 Noteholders shall file with the Trustee a Class P Certificate of Ownership. Upon transfer of its beneficial interest in accordance with this Indenture, the transferor and transferee shall file a new Class P Certificate of Ownership.

## ARTICLE 12

SALE OF COLLATERAL OBLIGATIONS;  
PURCHASE OF COLLATERAL OBLIGATIONSSection 12.1. Sales of Collateral Obligations.

Subject to the satisfaction of the conditions specified in Section 10.6, Section 12.1 and Section 12.3 and if no Event of Default is continuing as evidenced by an Officer's Certificate of the Portfolio Manager provided to the Trustee, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset if the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that the sale meets the requirements of any one of paragraphs (a) through (i) of this Section 12.1, and the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell assets as set forth in paragraph (j) below. In addition, the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf) shall within 5 Business Days of its receipt (or within 5 Business Days after such later date as such asset may first be sold in accordance with its terms and applicable law), sell any Tax Affected Security or transfer such Tax Affected Security to a subsidiary the sole assets of which consist of, and the sole activity of which is the acquisition and ownership of, Tax Affected Securities. If the Issuer sells any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset during the Reinvestment Period, the proceeds shall be reinvested in accordance with Section 12.2.

(a) Credit Risk Obligations. At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Risk Obligation at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Risk Obligation in accordance with such direction. Following any sale of a Credit Risk Obligation pursuant to this Section 12.1(a) during the Reinvestment Period, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase in compliance with Section 12.2 additional Collateral Obligations (to the extent the purchase is in the best interest of the Issuer) with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Sale Proceeds received by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral Obligation sold. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount.

(b) Credit Improved Obligations. At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Improved Obligation if either:

(i) during the Reinvestment Period, (x) the Portfolio Manager believes before the sale that it will be able to cause the Issuer to reinvest its Sale Proceeds, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria, in one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Credit Improved Obligation by the end of the immediately succeeding Due Period (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and the Principal Balance of any Collateral Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest shall be its outstanding principal amount) or (y) the Portfolio Manager intends to use the Sale Proceeds to make Prepayments on the Class A-1A Notes; or

(ii) after the Reinvestment Period, the Sale Proceeds received in respect of the Credit Improved Obligation are at least equal to its Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and the Principal Balance of any Collateral Obligation in which the

Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest shall be its outstanding principal amount;

and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Improved Obligation in accordance with such direction.

(c) Non-Performing Collateral Obligations and Current-Pay Obligations. At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Current-Pay Obligation at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Current-Pay Obligation in accordance with such direction. Non-Performing Collateral Obligations may be sold regardless of price; provided that, the Principal Balance of any Collateral Obligation purchased with proceeds of any Current-Pay Obligation shall equal or exceed the Principal Balance of such Current-Pay Obligation that was sold.

(d) Non-qualifying Collateral Obligations. At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell that obligation in accordance with such direction.

(e) Withholding Tax Sales. At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation subject to withholding tax at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction.

(f) Optional Redemption. After the Issuer has notified the Trustee of an Optional Redemption of the Notes in accordance with Article 9, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all or a portion of the Collateral Obligations as contemplated therein if (i) the requirements of Article 9 are satisfied and (ii) the Independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to Section 10.8 have confirmed the calculations contained in any required certificate furnished by the Portfolio Manager pursuant to Section 9.3(c). After a Majority of the Class E Certificates have directed an Optional Redemption of the Class E Certificates in accordance with Section 9.2(b), at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all of the remaining Collateral Obligations (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(i)) or all or a portion of the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous directions of Holders of the Class E Certificates (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii)) and the Trustee shall sell the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

(g) Rating Confirmation Failure. After the Portfolio Manager has received notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm the Initial Ratings of the Notes, the Issuer may, if so directed by the Portfolio Manager in the Portfolio Manager's sole discretion, direct the Trustee to sell Collateral Obligations as contemplated in Section 9.1 and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

(h) Discretionary Sales. In addition to sales permitted under the foregoing clauses, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation, at any time during the Reinvestment Period:

(i) at any time on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without regard to any restriction specified in clause (ii) below); and

(ii) at any time after the Ramp-Up Completion Date if:

(A) after giving effect to the sale and the sale of any other Collateral Obligations whose sale is pending, the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations sold pursuant to this Section 12.1(h)(ii) in any calendar year (in each case determined as of the date the direction to sell is given) is not greater than 20% of the Maximum Investment Amount as of January 1 of such calendar year (or, for the first calendar year, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date); and

(B) (x) the Portfolio Manager believes before the sale that it will be able to cause the Issuer within 30 days thereafter to reinvest or commit to reinvest its Sale Proceeds, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria, in one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to (i) as long as the Class C Overcollateralization Test is satisfied, the Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Collateral Obligation and (ii) if the Class C Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, the Aggregate Principal Balance of the sold Collateral Obligation (for the purpose of both (B)(i) and (B)(ii), the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and the Principal Balance of any Collateral Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest shall be its outstanding principal amount) or (y) the Portfolio Manager intends to use the Sale Proceeds to make Prepayments on the Class A-1A Notes;

and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction. However, if the rating by Moody's of any of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes, Class A-1C Notes, Class A-2 Notes, Class A-3 Notes or the Class A-4 Notes is one or more rating sub-categories below the Initial Rating of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes, Class A-1C Notes, Class A-2 Notes, Class A-3 Notes or the Class A-4 Notes or has been withdrawn or the rating by Moody's of the Class B Notes or the Class C Notes is two or more rating sub-categories below the Initial Rating of the Class B Notes or the Class C Notes or has been withdrawn, the Issuer shall not instruct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligations pursuant to this Section 12.1(h). This restriction may be waived by written consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class. For the purposes of this subsection (h), any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not restrict the sale of any Collateral Obligations pursuant to this subsection (h) if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody's has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Class A-1A Notes, the Class A-1B Notes, Class A-1C Notes, Class A-2 Notes, Class A-3 Notes and the Class A-4 Notes or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes.

For the purposes of determining the percentage of Collateral Obligations sold during any period in Section 12.1(h)(ii)(A):

(i) the amount of any Collateral Obligation sold shall be reduced:

(A) to the extent of any purchases of Collateral Obligations of the same obligor (that are *pari passu* with the sold Collateral Obligation) occurring within 30 Business Days of the sale (determined based on the date of any relevant trade confirmation or commitment letter) (but only for so long as (x) the Collateral Obligations purchased have not been downgraded by any of the Rating Agencies during the 30 Business Day period, (y) the Collateral Obligations have not been purchased from the



Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates acting, in each case, as principal or from any funds or accounts advised or managed by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates, and (z) the purchase price of each purchased Collateral Obligation must not exceed the sale price of the sold Collateral Obligation), and

(B) to the extent of any purchases of Collateral Obligations permitted pursuant to Section 12.2(c); and

(ii) any Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time that is invested into a substantially similar Synthetic Security but with a later maturity shall be treated as having been sold.

(i) Workout Assets. At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Workout Asset at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and regardless of price and the Trustee shall sell the Workout Assets in accordance with such direction.

(j) Margin Stock. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell any asset that is Margin Stock within 45 days of the later of (i) the acquisition of such asset by the Issuer or (ii) such asset's becoming Margin Stock, and the Trustee shall sell such asset in accordance with such direction.

#### Section 12.2. Purchase of Collateral Obligations.

(a) On any date during the Reinvestment Period (and, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations, on any date after the Reinvestment Period), so long as no Event of Default is continuing, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to invest or reinvest Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations) and the funds available from Borrowings on the Class A-1A Notes and Drawdowns under the Class A-1B Notes in additional Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) if the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that the conditions specified in this Section 12.2 and Section 12.3 are met.

(b) Eligibility Criteria. No obligations may be purchased unless each of the conditions in the following clauses (i) through (xii) (the "Eligibility Criteria") is satisfied as evidenced by a certificate of the Portfolio Manager as of the date the Issuer commits to make the purchase, in each case after giving effect to the purchase and all other purchases and sales previously or simultaneously committed to:

- (i) the obligation is a Collateral Obligation;
- (ii) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period:

(A) each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied and, if the commitment is made on or after the second Payment Date, each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied, or

(B) if any such Coverage Test is not satisfied, both:

(1) the extent of satisfaction of such Coverage Test is not reduced, and

(2) the Collateral Obligation is being purchased with Principal Proceeds other than:

(x) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, or

(y) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Workout Asset that has been received in exchange for a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;

(iii) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Diversity Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(iv) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(v) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, each of the limits in the definition of "Concentration Limitations" is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(vi) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(vii) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(viii) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(ix) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(x) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(xi) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced; provided, however, that this Eligibility Criterion (xi) shall not apply either to reinvestment of the proceeds

from the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset or to the reinvestment of Principal Proceeds in respect of Defaulted Collateral Obligations; and

(xii) for any date occurring after the Reinvestment Period:

(A) each Coverage Test is satisfied and the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(B) each Collateral Quality Test is maintained or improved;

(C) each Concentration Limitation is maintained or improved;

(D) the maturity date of such Collateral Obligation will occur on or prior to the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied;

(E) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation is at least equal to the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments or of the Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable; and

(F) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations to be purchased in connection with such sale or prepayment must be no less than the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations sold or prepaid.

(c) Certain Permitted Exchanges. The Issuer may, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager (and regardless of the foregoing restrictions), exchange a Collateral Obligation for another Collateral Obligation in an A/B Exchange.

(d) Certification by Portfolio Manager. Not later than the Business Day preceding the settlement date for any Collateral Obligation purchased after the Closing Date (but in any event no later than the release of Cash for the Purchase Price of the purchase), the Portfolio Manager shall deliver to the Trustee an Officer's certificate of the Portfolio Manager certifying that the purchase complies with this Section 12.2 and with Section 12.3 (determined as of the date that the Issuer commits to make the purchase).

(e) Investment in Eligible Investments. Cash on deposit in the Collection Account may be invested at any time in Eligible Investments in accordance with Section 10.4(a) pending investment in Collateral Obligations.

### Section 12.3. Conditions Applicable to All Sale and Purchase Transactions.

(a) Any sale or purchase by the Issuer of a Collateral Obligation shall be conducted on an arm's length basis and, if effected with the Portfolio Manager or a person Affiliated with the Portfolio Manager or any fund or account for which the Portfolio Manager or an Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager acts as investment adviser, shall be effected in accordance with the requirements of Section 5 of the Management Agreement on terms no less favorable to the Issuer than would be the case if the person were not so Affiliated. The Trustee shall have no responsibility to oversee compliance with this clause (a) by the other parties.

(b) Upon any acquisition of any Collateral Obligation or Class P-1 U.S. Treasury Component or Class P-2 U.S. Treasury Component, each such item of Collateral or Class P Collateral, shall be Delivered to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture.

Section 12.4. Certain Determinations Relating to Collateral Obligations.

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Indenture, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have purchased any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer delivers to the Trustee a contract to purchase, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to receive such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have acquired, granted or delivered, as the case may be, such Collateral Obligations on such date. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Indenture, any certifications or other documents required to be delivered by the Portfolio Manager or the Issuer in connection with the purchase or sale of Collateral during the Reinvestment Period may be delivered by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on the settlement date for such Collateral even if such date occurs after the Reinvestment Period.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Indenture, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer delivers to the Trustee a contract to sell, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to sell, and requiring the purchaser to purchase, such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold such Collateral Obligations on such date.

(c) Under the circumstances described in subsections (a) and (b) above, if the transaction contemplated by the contract, commitment letter, confirmation or due bill referred to therein does not settle on or before the 60th day following the scheduled settlement date (the “**Deadline**”), the deemed purchase or sale shall be deemed not to have occurred; provided, however, that the Portfolio Manager shall have the right to extend the Deadline for an additional period (not to exceed an additional 60 days) by notice to the Trustee, which notice shall include the Portfolio Manager’s certification to the effect that the Portfolio Manager believes that the settlement shall occur on or before the extended Deadline.

(d) Scheduled distributions with respect to any Pledged Collateral Obligation shall be determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture.

## ARTICLE 13

## NOTEHOLDERS' RELATIONS

Section 13.1. Subordination.

(a) With respect to each Class of Notes and the Class E Certificates, the Classes of Notes and the Class E Certificates that are Priority Classes and Junior Classes are as follows:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Junior Classes</u>	<u>Priority Classes</u>
Class A-1A	A-2, A-3, A-4, B, C, Class E Certificates	None
Class A-1B	A-2, A-3, A-4, B, C, Class E Certificates	None
Class A-1C	A-2, A-3, A-4, B, C, Class E Certificates	None
Class A-2	A-3, A-4, B, C, Class E Certificates	A-1A, A-1B, A-1C
Class A-3	A-4, B, C, Class E Certificates	A-1A, A-1B, A-1C, A-2
Class A-4	B, C, Class E Certificates	A-1A, A-1B, A-1C, A-2, A-3
Class B	C, Class E Certificates	A-1A, A-1B, A-1C, A-2, A-3, A-4
Class C	Class E Certificates	A-1A, A-1B, A-1C, A-2, A-3, A-4, B
Class E Certificates	None*	A-1A, A-1B, A-1C, A-2, A-3, A-4, B, C

\* The Class E Certificates will be entitled to certain residual cashflow after payment of senior obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

(b) Anything in this Indenture or the Notes to the contrary notwithstanding, the Holders of each Class of Notes that is a Junior Class agree for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class that the Junior Class shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes of each Priority Class to the extent and in the manner provided in this Indenture. If any Event of Default has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs and is continuing in accordance with Article 5, each Priority Class of Notes shall be paid in full in Cash or, to the extent a Majority of the Class consents, other than in Cash, before any further payment or distribution is made on account of any Junior Class of Notes with respect to the Priority Class. The Holders of each Junior Class of Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class in respect of the Junior Class, not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for failure to pay to them amounts due to the Junior Class, of the Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or under this Indenture until the payment in full of the Priority Classes or all the Classes, as the case may be, and not before one year and a day, or if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect and a day, has elapsed since the payment in full of all Notes issued under the Indenture.

(c) If, notwithstanding the provisions of this Indenture, any Holder of Notes of any Junior Class has received any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes contrary to the provisions of this Indenture, then, until each Priority Class with respect to such Junior Class of Notes has been paid in full in Cash or, to the extent a Majority of the Priority Class consents, other than in Cash in accordance with this Indenture, the payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, which shall pay and deliver the same to the Holders of the applicable Priority Classes of Notes in accordance with this Indenture. If any such payment or distribution is made other than in Cash, it shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and subject in all respects to this Indenture, including this Section 13.1.

(d) Each Holder of Notes of any Junior Class agrees with all Holders of the applicable Priority Classes that the Holder of a Junior Class of Notes shall not demand, accept, or receive any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes in violation of this Indenture including this Section 13.1. After a Priority Class has been paid in full, the Holders of the Notes of the related Junior Class or Classes shall be fully subrogated to the rights of the Holders of the Priority Class. Nothing in this Section 13.1 shall affect the obligation of the Issuer to pay Holders of any Junior Class of Notes.

(e) Distributions to Holders of the Class E Certificates are subordinate to distributions on the Notes as described in the Priority of Payments.

(f) The Management Fees shall have priority only to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

#### Section 13.2. Standard of Conduct.

In exercising any of its or their voting rights, rights to direct and consent, or any other rights as a Noteholder under this Indenture, a Noteholder shall not have any obligation or duty to any person or to consider or take into account the interests of any person and shall not be liable to any person for any action taken by it or them or at its or their direction or any failure by it or them to act or to direct that an action be taken, without regard to whether the action or inaction benefits or adversely affects any Noteholder, the Issuer, or any other person, except for any liability to which the Noteholder may be subject to the extent the same results from the Noteholders taking or directing an action, or failing to take or direct an action, in bad faith or in violation of the express terms of this Indenture.

#### Section 13.3. Class A-1 Funding Allocations.

(a) In the event that the Class A-1 Notes are to be redeemed pursuant to the Priority of Payments, including by reason of (i) the failure of a Coverage Test to be satisfied on any date of determination or as contemplated by clause (9), (11) or (14) of Section 11.1(a)(i), (ii) in connection with a Rating Confirmation Failure as contemplated by clause (16) of Section 11.1(a)(i) or clause (4) of Section 11.1(a)(ii), or (iii) in connection with a Special Redemption as contemplated by clause (5) of Section 11.1(a)(ii), the aggregate amount required to be applied to the Class A-1A Notes (the “Aggregate Principal Reduction Amount”) shall be applied as follows: (1) the Aggregate Commitment Amount shall be reduced (but not below zero) by an amount equal to (i) the Aggregate Principal Reduction Amount *multiplied* by (ii) the Aggregate Commitment Amount in effect on the Closing Date *divided* by (iii) the sum of the Aggregate Commitment Amount in effect on the Closing Date *plus* the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1C Notes as of the Closing Date *plus* the Fully Drawn Amount of the Class A-1B Notes (such portion of the Aggregate Principal Reduction Amount, the “Class A-1A Principal Reduction Amount”) and the Class A-1A Principal Reduction Amount shall be applied to repay any Drawn Amount on the Class A-1A Notes (with any remaining portion of the Class A-1A Principal Reduction Amount deposited in the Revolving Reserve Account); and (2) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-

1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes shall be prepaid (but not below zero) in an amount equal to their respective *pro rata* shares (based on the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes) of (i) the Aggregate Principal Reduction Amount *multiplied* by (ii) the sum of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1C Notes as of the Closing Date and the Fully Drawn Amount of the Class A-1B Notes *divided* by (iii) the sum of the Aggregate Commitment Amount in effect on the Closing Date *plus* the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1C Notes as of the Closing Date *plus* the Fully Drawn Amount of the Class A-1B Notes. Notwithstanding the foregoing, to the extent that the Revolver Funding Reserve Amount after giving effect to any application described in clause (1) above exceeds the amount on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account any repayment of the Drawn Amount of the Class A-1A Notes and reduction in the Aggregate Commitment Amount will be reduced by an amount that if deposited in the Revolving Reserve Account would cause the aggregate balance of all Eligible Investments credited to the Revolving Reserve Account to equal the Revolver Funding Reserve Amount. Any amount that would have otherwise been applied to prepay the Class A-1A Notes but for such reduction will be deposited into the Revolving Reserve Account in order to satisfy such funding requirement.

(b) The Issuer will apply any advances under the Class A-1A Notes made pursuant to Section 2.3(c) of the Class A-1A Note Purchase Agreement to repay principal of the Class A-1B Notes and the Class A-1C Notes, *pro rata* based on their respective Aggregate Outstanding Amounts, independent of the Priority of Payments. Such payments will be deemed to occur prior to any other principal payments on any date pursuant to the Priority of Payments.

#### ARTICLE 14 MISCELLANEOUS

##### Section 14.1. Form of Documents Delivered to Trustee.

In any case where several matters are required to be certified by, or covered by an opinion of, any specified person, it is not necessary that all the matters be certified by, or covered by the opinion of, only one person, or that they be so certified or covered by only one document, but one such person may certify or give an opinion with respect to some matters and one or more other such persons as to other matters, and any such person may certify or give an opinion as to the matters in one or several documents.

Any certificate or opinion of an Officer of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the Portfolio Manager may be based, insofar as it relates to legal matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, counsel, unless the Officer knows, or should know that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to the matters upon which his certificate or opinion is based are erroneous. Any such certificate of an Officer of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Portfolio Manager or Opinion of Counsel may be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, or any other person, stating that the information with respect to the factual matters is in the possession of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, or the other person, unless the Officer of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the Portfolio Manager or the counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to factual matters are erroneous. Any Opinion of Counsel may also be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, an Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, stating that the information with respect to factual matters is in the possession of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, unless the counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to factual matters are erroneous.

Where any person is required to make, give, or execute two or more applications, requests, consents, certificates, statements, opinions, or other instruments under this Indenture, they may, but need not, be consolidated and form one instrument.

Whenever this Indenture provides that the absence of the continuation of a Default or Event of Default is a condition precedent to the taking of any action by the Trustee at the request or direction of either Co-Issuer, then notwithstanding that the satisfaction of the condition is a condition precedent to the Co-Issuer's right to make the request or direction, the Trustee shall be protected in acting in accordance with the request or direction if it does not have knowledge of the continuation of the Default or Event of Default as provided in Section 6.1(d).

Section 14.2. Acts of Noteholders or Holders of Class E Certificates.

(a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver, or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or taken by Noteholders or Holders of Class E Certificates may be embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments (which may be an electronic document, including but not limited to in the form of e-mail, to the extent permitted by applicable law) of substantially similar tenor signed by Noteholders or Holders of Class E Certificates in person or by agents duly appointed in writing (provided that no signature shall be required on electronic documents, including but not limited to in the form of e-mail). Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture the action shall become effective when the instruments are delivered to the Trustee (which instrument or instruments may be delivered through the Class E Certificates Paying Agent, in the case of the Holders of the Class E Certificates) and, if expressly required, to the Issuer. The instruments (and the action embodied in them) are referred to as the "Act" of the Noteholders or the Holders of Class E Certificates signing the instruments. Proof of execution of any instrument or of a writing appointing an agent for a Noteholder or Holder of a Class E Certificate shall be sufficient for any purpose of this Indenture and conclusive in favor of the Trustee and the Issuer, if made in the manner provided in this Section 14.2.

(b) The fact and date of the execution by any person of any instrument may be proved by an affidavit of a witness to the execution or the certificate of any notary public or other person authorized by law to acknowledge the execution of deeds. Any certificate on behalf of a jural entity executed by a person purporting to have authority to act on behalf of the jural entity shall itself be sufficient proof of the authority of the person executing it to act. The fact and date of the execution by any person of any instrument may also be proved in any other manner that the Trustee deems sufficient.

(c) The Indenture Register shall prove the ownership of Indenture Securities and the principal amount and registered numbers of Indenture Securities and the number of Class E Certificates held by and the number(s) of the Class E Certificate certificate(s) issued to, any Person shall be proved by the Class E Certificate register.

(d) Any Act by the Holder of a Note shall bind every Holder of the same Note and every Note issued on its transfer or in exchange for it or in lieu of it, in respect of anything done, omitted, or suffered to be done by the Trustee or the Issuer in reliance on the Act, whether or not notation of the action is made on the Note or Class E Certificates.

Section 14.3. Notices, etc., to Certain Persons or Parties.

(a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, order, notice, consent, waiver, or Act of Noteholders or other documents provided or permitted by this Indenture to be made, given, or furnished to, or filed with:



(i) the Trustee or Class E Certificates Paying Agent shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and made, given, furnished, or filed to and mailed, by certified mail, return receipt requested, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service guaranteeing next day delivery, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Trustee or Class E Certificates Paying Agent addressed to it at its Corporate Trust Office, telecopy no. (713) 216-2101, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto by the Trustee (any request, direction, order, notice or other communication from the Portfolio Manager to the Trustee under Article 12 (other than required certifications) may be by electronic mail, which shall be deemed to be in writing);

(ii) the Co-Issuers shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Issuer addressed to it at c/o Walkers SPV Limited, P.O. Box 908GT, Walker House, Mary Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, facsimile: (345) 945-4757, Attention: The Directors, or to the Co-Issuer addressed to it at 2711 Centerville Road, Suite 400, Wilmington, Delaware, 19808, Attention: Donald J. Puglisi, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, with a copy to the Portfolio Manager at its address below;

(iii) the Portfolio Manager shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Portfolio Manager addressed to it at Two Galleria Tower, 13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300, Dallas, Texas 75240, telecopy no. (972) 628-4147, Attention: James Dondero, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto;

(iv) Citigroup Global Markets Inc. as the Placement Agent and Initial Purchaser shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Placement Agent or Initial Purchaser, as applicable, addressed to them at Citigroup Global Markets Inc., 390 Greenwich Street, 4th Floor, New York, NY 10013, Facsimile Number: 212-723-8671, Attention: Managing Director, Global Portfolio Solutions, respectively or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager, and the Trustee by an Officer of the Placement Agent or Initial Purchaser, as applicable;

(v) any Hedge Counterparty shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered or sent by overnight courier service or by telecopy in legible form to the Hedge Counterparty addressed to it at the address specified in the relevant Hedge Agreement or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Issuer or the Trustee by the Hedge Counterparty;

(vi) the Rating Agencies shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to each Rating Agency addressed to it at Moody's Investors Service, Inc., CDO Group, 99 Church Street, New York, New York, 10007, Telecopy No. (212) 553-4170, cdomonitoring@moody's.com, Attention: CBO/CLO Monitoring, and Standard & Poor's, 55 Water Street, 41st Floor, New York, New York 10041-0003, telecopy no. (212) 438-2664, Attention: Asset Backed-CBO/CLO

Surveillance and each Monthly Report shall also be sent to S&P electronically to CDO\_Surveillance@standardandpoors.com;

(vii) the Administrator shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by facsimile in legible form, addressed to Walkers SPV Limited, P.O. Box 908GT, Walker House, Mary Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, telecopy no. (345) 945-4757, Attention: The Directors;

(viii) the Repository shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if delivered to the Repository at CDO Library, c/o The Bond Market Association, 360 Madison Avenue, 18th Floor, New York, New York 10017, electronic mail address: admin@cdolibrary.com. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary contained herein, any document, report, statement or other information required to be delivered or made available to the Repository by the Trustee may be delivered or made available by providing the operator of the Repository with access to the Trustee's website containing such information;

(ix) the Irish Paying and Listing Agent shall be sufficient for every purpose hereunder if made, given, furnished or filed in writing to and mailed, by certified mail, return receipt requested, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service guaranteeing next day delivery or by facsimile in legible form, to the Irish Paying and Listing Agent addressed to it at NCB Stockbrokers, 3 George's Dock, Dublin 1, Ireland, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto by the Irish Paying and Listing Agent; or

(x) the Cayman Island Stock exchange shall be sufficient for every purpose hereunder if made, given, furnished or filed in writing to and mailed, by certified mail, return receipt requested, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service guaranteeing next day delivery or by facsimile in legible form, to the Administrator at the contact details set forth above, for forwarding to the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange.

(b) If any provision in this Indenture calls for any notice or document to be delivered simultaneously to the Trustee and any other person, the Trustee's receipt of the notice or document shall entitle the Trustee to assume that the notice or document was delivered to the other person unless otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture.

Section 14.4. Notices to Holders, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent; Waiver.

(a) Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, where this Indenture provides for notice to the Noteholders or the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Class E Certificates) of any event,

(i) the notice shall be sufficiently given to the Noteholders or the Class E Certificates Paying Agent if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, each Noteholder affected by the event or the Class E Certificates Paying Agent, at the address of the Holder as it appears in the Indenture Register or at the address of the Class E Certificates Paying Agent supplied by the Class E Certificates Paying Agent supplied by the Class E Certificates Paying Agent to the Trustee, as applicable, not earlier than the earliest date and not later than the latest date, prescribed for the giving of the notice; provided, that, in addition, so long as any of the Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of such stock exchange so require, notice to the Noteholders shall also be given in the Irish Stock Exchange's Daily

Official List by the Trustee forwarding all notices to the Irish Paying and Listing Agent for publication;

(ii) the notice shall be in the English language; and

(iii) Notices shall be deemed to have been given on the date of their mailing.

(b) Notwithstanding clause (a)(i), a Noteholder or the Class E Certificates Paying Agent may give the Trustee a written notice that it is requesting that notices to it be given by facsimile transmissions and stating the telecopy number for the transmission. Thereafter, the Trustee shall give notices to the Holder or the Class E Certificates Paying Agent by facsimile transmission. If the notice also requests that notices be given by mail, then the notice shall also be given by mail in accordance with clause (a)(i) above, as the case may be.

(b) The Trustee shall deliver to the Holders of Notes any information or notice relating to this Indenture requested to be so delivered by at least 10% (by Aggregate Outstanding Amount) of the Holders of any Class of Notes at the expense of the Issuer. The Trustee shall deliver to the Class E Certificates Paying Agent any information or notice that the Class E Certificates Paying Agent certifies was requested to be so delivered by at least 10% (by Aggregate Outstanding Amount) of the Holders of the Class E Certificates at the expenses of the Issuer.

(c) Neither the failure to mail any notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Noteholder or the Class E Certificates Paying Agent shall affect the sufficiency of the notice with respect to other Noteholders or the Class E Certificates Paying Agent. If it is impracticable to give the notice by mail of any event to Noteholders or the Class E Certificates Paying Agent when the notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this Indenture because of the suspension of regular mail service as a result of a strike, work stoppage, or similar activity or because of any other cause, then the notification to Noteholders or the Class E Certificates Paying Agent as shall be made with the approval of the Trustee shall be a sufficient notification to the Holders for every purpose under this Indenture.

(d) Where this Indenture provides for notice in any manner, the notice may be waived in writing by any person entitled to receive the notice, either before or after the event, and the waiver shall be the equivalent of the notice. Waivers of notice by Noteholders or the Class E Certificates Paying Agent shall be filed with the Trustee but the filing shall not be a condition precedent to the validity of any action taken in reliance on the waiver.

(e) So long as any Class E Certificates are listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, all notices to the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Class E Certificates) shall also be given to the Administrator for forwarding to the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange.

(f) The Issuer shall (and authorizes the Trustee to) deliver to the Initial Purchaser and the Placement Agent all periodic reports, notices, demands, and other written information delivered or received by the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, trustees, paying agents, accountants, or other persons pursuant to this Indenture and other operative documentation relating to the Securities requested by the Initial Purchaser and the Placement Agent (collectively, the "Transaction Reports") and the Issuer consents to the Initial Purchaser and the Placement Agent providing Transaction Reports received by them to current and prospective investors in the Securities (including by means of electronic transmissions or posting the Transaction Reports on internet sites maintained by the Initial Purchaser or the Placement Agent or any of their Affiliates).

(g) Until such time as AG Financial Products Inc. ("AGFP") notifies the Trustee in writing that it is no longer providing credit protection to certain initial holders of Class A-1 Notes, the Trustee (without assuming any obligations to AGFP, including for its failure to do so) shall make available to AGFP (including by access to its password protected website) duplicate copies of all reports, notices and statements that the Trustee is required to deliver to any Holder of Class A-1 Notes, at the following address (or at any other address furnished in writing from time to time by AGFP to the Trustee): AG Financial Products Inc., 1325 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10019, Attention: Risk Management Department, Re: Liberty CLO, Ltd., Reference Nos. D-2005-100, D-2005-105, D-2005-106, D-2005-107, Telecopy No.: (212) 581-3266, Confirmation: (212) 974-0100; E-mail: RiskManagementDept@assuredguaranty.com, with a copy to Attention: General Counsel. For the avoidance of doubt, AGFP shall be entitled to request directly that the Trustee provide it with the above-mentioned documents in accordance with this Section 14.4. In addition, the Trustee shall forward to AGFP a copy of the Monthly Reports delivered pursuant to Section 10.6(a) and Valuation Reports delivered pursuant to Section 10.6(b) without the necessity of a request from AGFP for such reports.

Section 14.5. Effect of Headings and Table of Contents.

The Article and Section headings in this Indenture and the Table of Contents are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction of this Indenture.

Section 14.6. Successors and Assigns.

All covenants and agreements in this Indenture by the Co-Issuers shall bind their respective successors and assigns, whether so expressed or not.

Section 14.7. Separability.

Except to the extent prohibited by applicable law, in case any provision in this Indenture, in the Notes shall be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the validity, legality, and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

Section 14.8. Benefits of Indenture.

Nothing in this Indenture or in the Notes, expressed or implied, shall give to any person, other than the parties hereto and their successors under this Indenture, the Portfolio Manager, the Noteholders, the Holders of Class E Certificates or the Class E Certificates Paying Agent any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy, or claim under this Indenture.

Section 14.9. [Reserved].

Section 14.10. Governing Law.

(a) THIS INDENTURE AND THE INDENTURE SECURITIES (EXCEPT WITH RESPECT TO ANY CLASS E CERTIFICATE COMPONENT) SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS PROVISIONS THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION.

Section 14.11. Submission to Jurisdiction.

The Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or federal court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Notes, the Class E Certificates or this Indenture, and the Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably agree that all claims in respect of the action or proceeding may be heard and determined in the New York State or federal court. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably waive, to the fullest extent that they may legally do so, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of the action or proceeding. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee irrevocably consent to the service of all process in any action or proceeding by the mailing or delivery of copies of the process to the Co-Issuers at the office of the Co-Issuers' agent in Section 7.2 and to the Trustee at the Corporate Trust Office. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee agree that a final judgment in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

Section 14.12. Counterparts.

This Indenture may be executed in any number of copies, and by the different parties on the same or separate counterparts, each of which shall be considered to be an original instrument.

Section 14.13. Acts of Issuer.

Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver, or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or performed by the Issuer shall be effective if given or performed by the Issuer or by the Portfolio Manager on the Issuer's behalf.

Section 14.14. Consent to Posting of Documents on Repository

The Issuer hereby consents to (a) the posting of the final Offering Memorandum, this Indenture and the periodic reports to be delivered pursuant to the transaction documents and any amendments or other modifications thereto on the Repository for use in the manner provided in the Repository; and (b) the display of its name on the Repository in connection therewith. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Trustee makes any representation or warranty to The Bond Market Association (or any successor thereto) or any affiliate thereof or any Person having or obtaining access to the information maintained in the Repository or to any of such Person's affiliates regarding the accuracy or completeness of any information, document, report or other communication transmitted to the Repository, and no Person having or obtaining access to the information maintained in the Repository shall have any rights under this Indenture or otherwise by reason of the transmission of any such information, document, report or other communication to the Repository.

Section 14.15. Liability of Co-Issuers.

Notwithstanding any other terms of this Indenture, the Notes, or any other agreement entered into by either the Co-Issuers or otherwise, neither of the Co-Issuers shall have any liability whatsoever to the other Co-Issuers under this Indenture, the Notes, any other agreement, or otherwise. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, neither of the Co-Issuers may take any action to enforce, or bring any action or proceeding, in respect of this Indenture, the Notes, any other agreement, or otherwise against the other of the Co-Issuers. In particular, neither of the Co-Issuers may petition or take any other steps for the winding up or bankruptcy of the other of the Co-Issuers and neither of the Co-Issuers shall have any claim with respect to any assets of the other of the Co-Issuers.

Section 14.16. Indemnity of Co-Issuer.

The Issuer agrees to indemnify the Co-Issuer for any payments that may become due from the Co-Issuer under Article 11 with respect to any Notes issued under this Indenture and any administrative, legal or other costs incurred by the Co-Issuer in connection with those payments.

ARTICLE 15

ASSIGNMENT OF MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT; HEDGE AGREEMENTS

Section 15.1. Assignment of Management Agreement.

(a) The Issuer, in furtherance of the covenants of this Indenture and as security for the Notes and amounts payable to the Secured Parties under this Indenture and the performance and observance of the provisions of this Indenture, acknowledges that its Grant pursuant to the first Granting Clause includes all of the Issuer's interest in the Management Agreement, including:

- (i) the right to give all notices, consents, and releases under it,
- (ii) the right to give all notices of termination pursuant to the Management Agreement and to take any legal action upon the breach of an obligation of the Portfolio Manager under it, including the commencement, conduct, and consummation of proceedings at law or in equity,
- (iii) the right to receive all notices, accountings, consents, releases, and statements under it, and
- (iv) the right to do all other things whatsoever that the Issuer is or may be entitled to do under it.

Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, the Trustee may not exercise any of the rights in (i) through (iv) above or that may otherwise arise as a result of the Grant until the occurrence of an Event of Default under this Indenture and the authority shall terminate when the Event of Default is cured or waived.

(b) The assignment made hereby is executed as security, and the execution and delivery hereby shall not in any way impair or diminish the obligations of the Issuer under the Management Agreement, nor shall any of the obligations contained in the Management Agreement be imposed on the Trustee.

(c) Upon the retirement of the Notes and the release of the Collateral from the lien of this Indenture, this assignment, and all rights in this Indenture assigned to the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders shall cease and terminate and all the interest of the Trustee in the Management Agreement shall revert to the Issuer and no further instrument or act shall be necessary to evidence the termination and reversion.

(d) The Issuer represents that the Issuer has not executed any other assignment of the Management Agreement.

(e) The Issuer agrees that this assignment is irrevocable, and that it shall not take any action that is inconsistent with this assignment or make any other assignment inconsistent herewith.

The Issuer shall, from time to time upon the request of the Trustee, execute all instruments of further assurance and all such supplemental instruments with respect to this assignment as the Trustee may reasonably request.

(f) The Issuer agrees to obtain the agreement and consent of the Portfolio Manager in the Management Agreement to the following:

(i) The Portfolio Manager consents to this collateral assignment and agrees to perform any provisions of this Indenture made expressly applicable to the Portfolio Manager pursuant to the Management Agreement.

(ii) The Portfolio Manager acknowledges that the Issuer is collaterally assigning all of its interest in the Management Agreement to the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties and the Portfolio Manager agrees that all of the representations, covenants and agreements made by the Portfolio Manager in the Management Agreement are also for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

(iii) The Portfolio Manager shall deliver to the Trustee duplicate original copies of all notices, statements, communications, and instruments delivered or required to be delivered to the Issuer pursuant to the Management Agreement (other than any of them delivered to the Issuer by the Trustee or the Collateral Administrator).

(iv) The Issuer shall appoint a successor manager at the direction of a Super Majority of the Class E Certificates (excluding any Class E Certificates held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority) only if (a) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency with respect thereto is satisfied, (b) such successor has agreed in writing to assume all of the Portfolio Manager's duties and obligations pursuant to the Management Agreement, this Indenture and the Collateral Administration Agreement, (c) the written consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class for such appointment has been received and (d) such successor portfolio manager is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single Class (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority)); provided that if two or more successor managers have been so nominated but have not been so appointed by the Issuer within 30 days of the date of notice of removal, termination or resignation of the Portfolio Manager, then the Issuer shall appoint a successor manager at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class only if (a) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency with respect thereto is satisfied, (b) such successor has agreed in writing to assume all of the Portfolio Manager's duties and obligations pursuant to the Management Agreement and the Indenture and (c) such successor portfolio manager is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) the Majority of the Class E Certificates (excluding any Class E Certificates held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority) or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single Class (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority)).

(v) Neither the Issuer nor the Portfolio Manager shall enter into any agreement amending or modifying the Management Agreement (other than an amendment or modification of the type that may be made to this Indenture without Holder consent) (a) without

satisfying the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency with respect thereto and (b) if a Majority of the Controlling Class or a Majority of the Class E Certificates have objected in writing to such amendment or modification within 30 days of notice thereof.

(vi) Except as otherwise provided in this Indenture and the Management Agreement, subject to the resignation rights of the Portfolio Manager pursuant to Section 12 of the Management Agreement, the Portfolio Manager shall continue to serve as Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement notwithstanding that the Portfolio Manager shall not have received amounts due it under the Management Agreement because sufficient funds were not then available under this Indenture to pay the amounts pursuant to the Priority of Payments. The Portfolio Manager agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer for the nonpayment of the fees or other amounts payable by the Administrative Agent to the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement until the payment in full of all Notes issued under this Indenture and the payment to the Class E Certificates Paying Agent of all amounts payable with respect to the Class E Certificates in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the expiration of a period equal to the greater of (A) the applicable preference period plus one day or (B) one year and one day following the payment. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Portfolio Manager may commence any legal action that is not a bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation, or similar proceeding against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any of its properties and may take any action it deems appropriate at any time in any bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation, or similar proceeding and any other Proceeding voluntarily commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or involuntarily commenced against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by anyone other than the Portfolio Manager or any Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager.

(vii) The Portfolio Manager irrevocably submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or federal court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Notes, the Class E Certificates or this Indenture, and the Portfolio Manager irrevocably agrees that all claims in respect of the action or proceeding may be heard and determined in the New York State or federal court. The Portfolio Manager irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent it may legally do so, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of the action or proceeding. The Portfolio Manager irrevocably consents to the service of all process in any action or Proceeding by the mailing or delivery of copies of the process to it the address provided for in Section 14.3. The Portfolio Manager agrees that a final and non-appealable judgment by a court of competent jurisdiction in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

(g) Following the resignation or removal of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall use its best efforts to appoint a successor Portfolio Manager, and the Issuer, the Trustee, and the resigning or removed Portfolio Manager shall take any action consistent with the Management Agreement and this Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager, necessary to effectuate any such succession.

#### Section 15.2. Hedge Agreements.

(a) At any time and from time to time after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, shall enter into the Hedge Agreements and shall assign its rights (but none of its obligations) under the Hedge Agreements to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture and the Collateral Assignment of Hedge Agreements. The Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, shall obtain the approval of each new Hedge Agreement from each Hedge Counterparty to a then-existing Hedge Agreement. The Trustee shall, on behalf of the Issuer and in accordance with the Valuation Report, pay



amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements on any Payment Date in accordance with Section 11.1.

(b) The Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless at the time of entering the Hedge Agreement the Hedge Counterparty has:

(i) a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "Aa3" (which rating of "Aa3" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) or higher if the Hedge Counterparty has only a long-term rating; or a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "A1" (which rating of "A1" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) or higher and a debt rating by Moody's for short-term debt of "P-1" (which rating of "P-1" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) if the Hedge Counterparty has both long-term and short-term ratings; and

(ii) a short-term debt rating by S&P of not less than "A-1" or a long-term debt rating of not less than "A+" (the "Required Rating").

(c) If at any time a Hedge Counterparty has:

(A) no short-term Moody's rating and a long-term Moody's rating and that rating is below "Aa3" or is "Aa3" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's; or

(B) both a short-term and long-term Moody's rating; and either:

(i) the long-term Moody's rating is below "A1" or that rating is "A1" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's, or

(ii) the short-term Moody's rating is below "P-1" or that rating is "P-1" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's

then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within 30 days, either:

(i) post collateral with the Trustee to secure the Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement, in an amount and of the type sufficient to cause the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's to be satisfied;

(ii) obtain a guarantor whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the above criteria;

(iii) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the above criteria; or

(iv) take other actions to satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's;

(d) If at any time the Hedge Counterparty has:

(A) no short-term Moody's rating and a long-term Moody's rating that is "A2" or below or has been suspended or withdrawn;

(B) both a short-term and long-term Moody's rating; and either:

(i) the long-term Moody's rating is "A3" or below or is suspended or withdrawn, or

(ii) the short-term Moody's rating is "P-2" or below, or

(C) a short-term debt rating by S&P below "A-1" or, if the Hedge Counterparty has no short-term rating by S&P, a long-term rating by S&P below "A+" or that has been suspended or withdrawn;

then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within 30 days, either:

(i) post collateral as required by the Hedge Agreement to secure the Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement in an amount and of the type sufficient to cause the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's and S&P to be satisfied; or

(ii) (x) obtain a guarantor that has a Required Rating and that will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P with respect to its appointment;

(y) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has a Required Rating and the appointment of which will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P; or

(z) take such other actions to satisfy the Ratings Condition;

provided that, if at any time the Hedge Counterparty has a short-term debt rating by S&P below "A-3" or, if the Hedge Counterparty has no short-term rating by S&P, a long-term rating by S&P below "BBB-" or such Hedge Counterparty's rating has been suspended or withdrawn, then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to within 7 days replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has a Required Rating and the appointment of which will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P.

Whenever a Hedge Agreement is being entered into, the Hedge Counterparty shall comply with the then current rating criteria.

(e) If the Issuer has the right under a Hedge Agreement at any time to demand that the related Hedge Counterparty deliver Eligible Collateral in accordance with an Approved Credit Support Document, the Issuer shall make the demand.

(f) Any payments required to be made under the Hedge Agreements shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Subordinated Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments shall

be subordinate to interest and principal payments on the Notes and any other payments required to be made by the Issuer under the Hedge Agreements, but senior to distributions to Holders of the Class E Certificates.

(g) Except as provided in paragraph (h) of this Section 15.2, the Issuer, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, shall, promptly following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) (but no later than 60 days after the early termination), at the expense of the Issuer and to the extent possible through application of Hedge Termination Receipts, enter into a Replacement Hedge, unless, in the exercise of the Portfolio Manager's commercially reasonable judgment, to do so would not be in the best interest of the Issuer and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the non-entry into the a Replacement Hedge. In addition, a Replacement Hedge may not be entered into unless the Issuer provides the Rating Agencies with at least seven Business Days' prior written notice of its intention to enter into the agreement, together with its form and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the Replacement Hedge. The Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than a termination resulting from the bankruptcy, insolvency, or similar event with respect to the Hedge Counterparty) to become effective simultaneously with its entering into a Replacement Hedge. To the extent that (i) the Portfolio Manager determines not to replace the Hedge Agreement and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the determination; or (ii) termination is occurring on a Redemption Date, the Hedge Termination Receipts shall become part of Principal Proceeds and be distributed in accordance with Section 11.1 on the next following Payment Date (or on the Redemption Date, if the Notes are redeemed on the Redemption Date).

(h) Notwithstanding Section 15.2(g), the applicable requirements of Section 15.2(g) shall not have to be met if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is otherwise satisfied with respect thereto.

(i) The notional amounts of the Hedge Agreements outstanding at any time may be reduced or increased from time to time, by the Issuer, and the Hedge Agreements may be amended, modified, or terminated in accordance with the Hedge Agreements if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the reduction, increase, amendment, modification, or termination, as the case may be.

(j) Each Hedge Agreement may be terminated pursuant to its terms upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes or an acceleration of maturity of the Notes after an Event of Default. The Hedge Agreement will not be permitted to be terminated as the result of a Default or Event of Default unless any acceleration of maturity of the Notes resulting from the Event of Default is no longer permitted to be rescinded and liquidation of the Collateral has begun pursuant to this Indenture.

(k) The Issuer shall not enter into a hedge agreement (including any Hedge Agreement) unless (i) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied and (ii) the entry into, performance and termination of such hedge agreement will not subject the Issuer to net income tax in any jurisdiction outside its jurisdiction of incorporation.

### Section 15.3. Synthetic Securities.

The Issuer shall not enter into a Synthetic Security Agreement with a Synthetic Security Counterparty unless the terms of such Synthetic Security Agreement provide that, if at any time the Synthetic Security Counterparty does not meet the Synthetic Security Counterparty Ratings Requirement, such Synthetic Security Counterparty shall (at the sole cost and expense of the Synthetic Security

Counterparty) take one of the following actions within 30 days following the date on which the Synthetic Security Counterparty fails to meet such Synthetic Security Counterparty Ratings Requirement:

(a) post collateral with the Trustee to secure the Synthetic Security Counterparty's obligations under the Synthetic Security Agreement, in an amount and of the type sufficient to cause the Rating Condition with respect to S&P to be satisfied; *provided* that, if the Synthetic Security Counterparty's senior unsecured credit rating by S&P for long-term debt of such Synthetic Security Counterparty are rated below "BBB+" and the senior unsecured, credit rating by S&P for short-term senior debt of such Synthetic Security Counterparty are rated below "A 2" (if such Synthetic Counterparty has a short term rating from Standard & Poor's), the Synthetic Security Counterparty shall obtain or provide a legal opinion addressed to the Issuer and the Trustee acceptable to S&P to the effect that the collateral will be available to the Trustee and the Noteholders in the event of the insolvency of such Synthetic Security Counterparty;

(b) obtain a guarantor whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the Synthetic Security Counterparty Ratings Requirement;

(c) cause an entity who satisfies the Security Counterparty Ratings Requirement to issue in favor of the Issuer a credit support of such Synthetic Security Counterparty's obligations under the related Synthetic Security acceptable in form and substance to the Issuer and that satisfies the Rating Condition;

(d) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Synthetic Security Agreement with a substitute Synthetic Security Counterparty whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the Synthetic Security Counterparty Ratings Requirement; *provided* that, upon successful consummation of any such substitution and assignment, the related Synthetic Security Counterparty's obligations to post collateral contemplated by clause (a) above shall terminate and Issuer shall release its security interest in, and return to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty, any then posted collateral; or

(e) take other actions to satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P.

If the Synthetic Security Counterparty has taken action pursuant to clause (b) above, the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf) shall, in the event that the Synthetic Security Counterparty fails to meet its payment obligations under the Synthetic Security Agreement, demand payment from the guarantor on the day such payment from the Synthetic Security Counterparty is due for the purposes of requiring such guarantor to make payment on such same day.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have set our hands as of the day and year first written above.

EXECUTED AS A DEED BY

**LIBERTY CLO, LTD.,**  
AS ISSUER



By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: David Egglshaw  
Title: Director

**LIBERTY CLO, CORP.,**  
AS CO-ISSUER

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

**JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL  
ASSOCIATION,**  
AS TRUSTEE

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

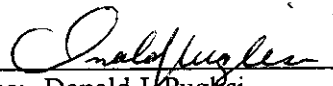
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have set our hands as of the day and year first written above.

EXECUTED AS A DEED BY

**LIBERTY CLO, LTD.,**  
AS ISSUER

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

**LIBERTY CLO, CORP.,**  
AS CO-ISSUER

By:   
Name: Donald J. Puglisi  
Title: President

**JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL**  
**ASSOCIATION,**  
AS TRUSTEE

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

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have set our hands as of the day and year first written above.

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**LIBERTY CLO, LTD.,**  
AS ISSUER

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

**LIBERTY CLO, CORP.,**  
AS CO-ISSUER

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

**JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL  
ASSOCIATION,**  
AS TRUSTEE

By: Elaine Mah  
Name: Elaine Mah  
Title: Vice President

Schedule 1

**List of Collateral Obligations**



Schedule 2

**Moody's Industry Classification Group List**

**Aerospace and Defense:** Major Contractor, Subsystems, Research, Aircraft Manufacturing, Arms, Ammunition

**Automobile:** Automotive Equipment, Auto-Manufacturing, Auto Parts Manufacturing, Personal Use Trailers, Motor Homes, Dealers

**Banking:** Bank Holding, Savings and Loans, Consumer Credit, Small Loan, Agency, Factoring, Receivables

**Beverage, Food and Tobacco:** Beer and Ale, Distillers, Wines and Liquors, Distributors, Soft Drink Syrup, Bottling, Bakery, Mill Sugar, Canned Foods, Corn Refiners, Dairy Products, Meat Products, Poultry Products, Snacks, Packaged Foods, Distributors, Candy, Gum, Seafood, Frozen Food, Cigarettes, Cigars, Leaf/Snuff, Vegetable Oil

**Buildings and Real Estate:** Brick, Cement, Climate Controls, Contracting, Engineering, Construction, Hardware, Forest Products (building-related only), Plumbing, Roofing, Wallboard, Real Estate, Real Estate Development, REITs, Land Development

**Chemicals, Plastics and Rubber:** Chemicals (non-agriculture), Industrial Gases, Sulfur, Plastics, Plastic Products, Abrasives, Coatings, Paints, Varnish, Fabricating

**Containers, Packaging and Glass:** Glass, Fiberglass, Containers made of: Glass, Metal, Paper, Plastic, Wood or Fiberglass

**Personal and Non Durable Consumer Products (Manufacturing Only):** Soaps, Perfumes, Cosmetics, Toiletries, Cleaning Supplies, School Supplies

Diversified/Conglomerate Manufacturing

Diversified/Conglomerate Service

Diversified Natural Resources, Precious Metals and Minerals: Fabricating, Distribution, Mining and Sales

**Ecological:** Pollution Control, Waste Removal, Waste Treatment, Waste Disposal

**Electronics:** Computer Hardware, Electric Equipment, Components, Controllers, Motors, Household Appliances, Information Service, Communication Systems, Radios, TVs, Tape Machines, Speakers, Printers, Drivers, Technology

**Finance:** Investment Brokerage, Leasing, Syndication, Securities

**Farming and Agriculture:** Livestock, Grains, Produce, Agricultural Chemicals, Agricultural Equipment, Fertilizers

**Grocery:** Grocery Stores, Convenience Food Stores

**Healthcare, Education and Childcare:** Ethical Drugs, Proprietary Drugs, Research, Health Care Centers, Nursing Homes, HMOs, Hospitals, Hospital Supplies, Medical Equipment

Home and Office Furnishings, Housedress, and Durable Consumer Products: Carpets, Floor Coverings, Furniture, Cooking, Ranges

Hotels, Motels, Inns and Gaming

**Insurance:** Life, Property and Casualty, Broker, Agent, Surety

**Leisure, Amusement, Entertainment:** Boating, Bowling, Billiards, Musical Instruments, Fishing, Photo Equipment, Records, Tapes, Sports, Outdoor Equipment (camping), Tourism, Resorts, Games, Toy Manufacturing, Motion Picture Production, Theatres, Motion Picture Distribution

Machinery (Non-Agriculture, Non-Construction, Non-Electronic): Industrial, Machine Tools, Steam Generators

**Mining, Steel, Iron and Non-Precious Metals:** Coal, Copper, Lead, Uranium, Zinc, Aluminum, Stainless Steel, Integrated Steel, Ore Production, Refractories, Steel Mill Machinery, Mini-Mills, Fabricating, Distribution and Sales

**Oil and Gas:** Crude Producer, Retailer, Well Supply, Service and Drilling

Personal, Food and Miscellaneous

**Printing and Publishing:** Graphic Arts, Paper, Paper Products, Business Forms, Magazines, Books, Periodicals, Newspapers, Textbooks

**Cargo Transport:** Rail, Shipping, Railroads, Rail-car Builders, Ship Builders, Containers, Container Builders, Parts, Overnight Mail, Trucking, Truck Manufacturing, Trailer Manufacturing, Air Cargo, Transport

**Retail Stores:** Apparel, Toy, Variety, Drugs, Department, Mail Order Catalogue, Showroom

Structured Finance

**Telecommunications:** Local, Long Distance, Independent, Telephone, Telegraph, Satellite, Equipment, Research, Cellular

**Textiles and Leather:** Producer, Synthetic Fiber, Apparel Manufacturer, Leather Shoes **Personal Transportation:** Air, Bus, Rail, Car, Rental

**Utilities:** Electric, Water, Hydro Power, Gas, Diversified

**Broadcasting and Entertainment:** Recording Industry, Motion Exhibition Theatres, Motion Picture Production and Distribution, Radio, TV, Cable Broadcasting, Broadcasting Equipment

Schedule 3

**S&P Industry Classifications**

Corporate Obligations

0. Zero Default Risk
1. Aerospace & Defense
2. Air transport
3. Automotive
4. Beverage & Tobacco
5. Radio & Television
6. Brokerages, Dealers & Investment houses
7. Building & Development
8. Business equipment & services
9. Cable & satellite television
10. Chemical & plastics
11. Clothing/textiles
12. Conglomerates
13. Containers & glass products
14. Cosmetics/toiletries
15. Drugs
16. Ecological services & equipment
17. Electronics/electrical
18. Equipment leasing
19. Farming/agriculture
20. Financial Intermediaries
21. Food/drug retailers
22. Food products
23. Food service
24. Forest products
25. Health care
26. Home furnishings
27. Lodging & casinos
28. Industrial equipment
29. Insurance
30. Leisure goods/activities/movies
31. Nonferrous metals/minerals
32. Oil & gas
33. Publishing
34. Rail Industries
35. Retailers (except food & drug)
36. Steel
37. Surface transport
38. Telecommunications
39. Utilities

Corporate Structured Obligations

50. CDOs

Structured Obligations

51. ABS Consumer
52. ABS Commercial
53. CMBS Diversified (Conduit and CTL)
54. CMBS (Large Loan, Single Borrower, and Single Property)
55. REITs and REOCs
56. RMBS A
57. RMBS B&C, HELs, HELOCs, and Tax Lien
58. Manufactured Housing
59. U.S. Agency (Explicitly Guaranteed)
60. Monoline/FER Guaranteed
61. Non-FER Company Guaranteed
62. FFELP Student Loans (Over 70% FFELP)
63. CLO of SME's

Schedule 4

**Diversity Score Calculation**

The Diversity Score for the Collateral Obligations is calculated by summing each of the Industry Diversity Scores, which are calculated as follows:

(i) An “Obligor Par Amount” is calculated for each obligor represented in the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) by summing the par amounts of all Collateral Obligations in the Collateral (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) issued by that obligor or any Affiliate of that obligor (other than obligors that the Portfolio Manager reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(ii) An “Average Par Amount” is calculated by summing the Obligor Par Amounts and dividing by the number of obligors represented. For purposes of calculating the number of issuers of the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations), any issuers Affiliated with one another shall be considered one issuer (other than obligors that the Portfolio Manager reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(iii) An “Equivalent Unit Score” is calculated for each obligor represented in the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) by taking the lesser of (A) one and (B) the Obligor Par Amount for the obligor divided by the Average Par Amount. For purposes of calculating the Equivalent Unit Score, any issuers Affiliated with one another shall be considered one issuer (other than obligors that the Portfolio Manager reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(iv) An “Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score” is then calculated for each of the Moody’s industrial classification groups by summing the Equivalent Unit Scores for each obligor in the industry.

(v) An “Industry Diversity Score” is then established by reference to the Diversity Score Table shown below for the related Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score. If any Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score falls between any two the scores then the applicable Industry Diversity Score shall be the lower of the two Industry Diversity Scores in the Diversity Score Table.

**DIVERSITY SCORE TABLE**

<b>Aggregate Industry Equivalen t Unit Score</b>	<b>Diversity Score</b>	<b>Aggregate Industry Equivalen t Unit Score</b>	<b>Diversity Score</b>	<b>Aggregate Industry Equivalen t Unit Score</b>	<b>Diversity Score</b>	<b>Aggregate Industry Equivalen t Unit Score</b>	<b>Diversity Score</b>
0.0000	0.0000	5.0500	2.7000	10.1500	4.0200	15.2500	4.5300
0.0500	0.1000	5.1500	2.7333	10.2500	4.0300	15.3500	4.5400
0.1500	0.2000	5.2500	2.7667	10.3500	4.0400	15.4500	4.5500
0.2500	0.3000	5.3500	2.8000	10.4500	4.0500	15.5500	4.5600
0.3500	0.4000	5.4500	2.8333	10.5500	4.0600	15.6500	4.5700
0.4500	0.5000	5.5500	2.8667	10.6500	4.0700	15.7500	4.5800
0.5500	0.6000	5.6500	2.9000	10.7500	4.0800	15.8500	4.5900
0.6500	0.7000	5.7500	2.9333	10.8500	4.0900	15.9500	4.6000
0.7500	0.8000	5.8500	2.9667	10.9500	4.1000	16.0500	4.6100
0.8500	0.9000	5.9500	3.0000	11.0500	4.1100	16.1500	4.6200
0.9500	1.0000	6.0500	3.0250	11.1500	4.1200	16.2500	4.6300
1.0500	1.0500	6.1500	3.0500	11.2500	4.1300	16.3500	4.6400
1.1500	1.1000	6.2500	3.0750	11.3500	4.1400	16.4500	4.6500
1.2500	1.1500	6.3500	3.1000	11.4500	4.1500	16.5500	4.6600
1.3500	1.2000	6.4500	3.1250	11.5500	4.1600	16.6500	4.6700
1.4500	1.2500	6.5500	3.1500	11.6500	4.1700	16.7500	4.6800
1.5500	1.3000	6.6500	3.1750	11.7500	4.1800	16.8500	4.6900
1.6500	1.3500	6.7500	3.2000	11.8500	4.1900	16.9500	4.7000
1.7500	1.4000	6.8500	3.2250	11.9500	4.2000	17.0500	4.7100
1.8500	1.4500	6.9500	3.2500	12.0500	4.2100	17.1500	4.7200
1.9500	1.5000	7.0500	3.2750	12.1500	4.2200	17.2500	4.7300
2.0500	1.5500	7.1500	3.3000	12.2500	4.2300	17.3500	4.7400
2.1500	1.6000	7.2500	3.3250	12.3500	4.2400	17.4500	4.7500
2.2500	1.6500	7.3500	3.3500	12.4500	4.2500	17.5500	4.7600
2.3500	1.7000	7.4500	3.3750	12.5500	4.2600	17.6500	4.7700
2.4500	1.7500	7.5500	3.4000	12.6500	4.2700	17.7500	4.7800
2.5500	1.8000	7.6500	3.4250	12.7500	4.2800	17.8500	4.7900
2.6500	1.8500	7.7500	3.4500	12.8500	4.2900	17.9500	4.8000
2.7500	1.9000	7.8500	3.4750	12.9500	4.3000	18.0500	4.8100

<b>Aggregate Industry Equivalen t <u>Unit</u> <u>Score</u></b>	<b>Diversity <u>Score</u></b>	<b>Aggregate Industry Equivalen t <u>Unit</u> <u>Score</u></b>	<b>Diversity <u>Score</u></b>	<b>Aggregate Industry Equivalen t <u>Unit</u> <u>Score</u></b>	<b>Diversity <u>Score</u></b>	<b>Aggregate Industry Equivalen t <u>Unit</u> <u>Score</u></b>	<b>Diversity <u>Score</u></b>
2.8500	1.9500	7.9500	3.5000	13.0500	4.3100	18.1500	4.8200
2.9500	2.0000	8.0500	3.5250	13.1500	4.3200	18.2500	4.8300
3.0500	2.0333	8.1500	3.5500	13.2500	4.3300	18.3500	4.8400
3.1500	2.0667	8.2500	3.5750	13.3500	4.3400	18.4500	4.8500
3.2500	2.1000	8.3500	3.6000	13.4500	4.3500	18.5500	4.8600
3.3500	2.1333	8.4500	3.6250	13.5500	4.3600	18.6500	4.8700
3.4500	2.1667	8.5500	3.6500	13.6500	4.3700	18.7500	4.8800
3.5500	2.2000	8.6500	3.6750	13.7500	4.3800	18.8500	4.8900
3.6500	2.2333	8.7500	3.7000	13.8500	4.3900	18.9500	4.9000
3.7500	2.2667	8.8500	3.7250	13.9500	4.4000	19.0500	4.9100
3.8500	2.3000	8.9500	3.7500	14.0500	4.4100	19.1500	4.9200
3.9500	2.3333	9.0500	3.7750	14.1500	4.4200	19.2500	4.9300
4.0500	2.3667	9.1500	3.8000	14.2500	4.4300	19.3500	4.9400
4.1500	2.4000	9.2500	3.8250	14.3500	4.4400	19.4500	4.9500
4.2500	2.4333	9.3500	3.8500	14.4500	4.4500	19.5500	4.9600
4.3500	2.4667	9.4500	3.8750	14.5500	4.4600	19.6500	4.9700
4.4500	2.5000	9.5500	3.9000	14.6500	4.4700	19.7500	4.9800
4.5500	2.5333	9.6500	3.9250	14.7500	4.4800	19.8500	4.9900
4.6500	2.5667	9.7500	3.9500	14.8500	4.4900	19.9500	5.0000
4.7500	2.6000	9.8500	3.9750	14.9500	4.5000		
4.8500	2.6333	9.9500	4.0000	15.0500	4.5100		
4.9500	2.6667	10.0500	4.0100	15.1500	4.5200		

Schedule 5**Moody's Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates**

The Moody's Recovery Rate for a Structured Finance Obligation will be the applicable rate set forth below based on the appropriate sector as categorized by Moody's:

**Diversified Securities** primarily include (1) Automobile Securities; (2) Car Rental Receivable Securities; (3) Credit Card Securities; (4) Student Loan Securities

**Residential Securities** primarily include (1) Home Equity Loan Securities; (2) Manufactured Housing Securities; (3) Residential A Mortgage Securities; (4) Residential B/C Mortgage Securities

**Undiversified Securities** primarily include (1) CMBS Conduit; (2) CMBS Credit Tenant Lease; (3) CMBS Large Loan; (4) those ABS Sectors not included in Diversified Securities

**Collateralized Debt Obligations** include (1) High-diversity CDOs (Diversity Score in excess of 20); (2) Low-Diversity CDOs (Diversity Score of 20 or less)

**Diversified Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	70%	60%	50%	40%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	60%	50%	40%	30%
<=10%	70%	65%	55%	45%	35%	25%

**Residential Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>		<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>



				<u>Baa</u>		
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10% >5%	65%	55%	45%	40%	30%	20%
<=5% >2%	55%	45%	40%	35%	25%	15%
<=2%	45%	35%	30%	25%	15%	10%

**Undiversified Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	Ba	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10% >5%	65%	55%	45%	35%	25%	15%
<=5% >2%	55%	45%	35%	30%	20%	10%
<=2%	45%	35%	25%	20%	10%	5%

**High Diversity Collateralized Debt Obligations**

	<u>Initial Rating of Underlying Asset</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital</u>					Ba	

<u>Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>		<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	60%	50%	40%	25%
<=10% >5%	65%	55%	50%	40%	30%	20%
<=5% >2%	55%	45%	40%	35%	25%	10%
<=2%	45%	35%	30%	25%	10%	5%

**Low Diversity Collateralized Debt Obligations**

	<u>Initial Rating of Underlying Asset</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	Ba	<u>B</u>
>70%	80%	75%	60%	50%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	70%	60%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10% >5%	60%	50%	45%	35%	25%	15%
<=5% >2%	50%	40%	35%	30%	20%	10%
<=2%	30%	25%	20%	15%	7%	4%

(1) Initial par amount of tranche to which Structured Finance Obligation relates **divided by** initial par amount of total securities issued by Structured Finance Obligation issuer.

Schedule 6**S&P Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates\***

The S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate for a Structured Finance Obligation will be the applicable rate set forth below based on the appropriate asset class and liability rating as categorized by S&P:

Senior Asset Class

	<u>Liability rating</u>						
	<u>AAA</u>	<u>AA</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>BBB</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>CCC</u>
AAA	80.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
AA	70.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
A	60.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
BBB	50.0%	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%

Junior Asset Class

	<u>Liability rating</u>						
	<u>AAA</u>	<u>AA</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>BBB</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>CCC</u>
AAA	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
AA	40.0%	45.0%	55.0%	65.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
A	30.0%	35.0%	40.0%	45.0%	50.0%	60.0%	70.0%
BBB	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	25.0%	35.0%	40.0%	50.0%
B	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%	10.0%	10.0%	20.0%	25.0%
CCC	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%

- \* This table shall not apply to project finance, future flows, synthetics, CDO repacks of ABS or CDOs, guaranteed ABS, distressed debt CDOs, synthetic CDOs, or emerging market CDOs. Recovery rates for such Structured Finance Obligations will be assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis.

Schedule 7

**Certain Defined Terms Relating to S&P Rating and Moody's Rating**

“Assigned Moody's Rating”: The monitored publicly available rating or the monitored estimated rating expressly assigned to a debt obligation (or facility) by Moody's that addresses the full amount of the principal and interest promised.

“Moody's Default Probability Rating”: With respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (a) with respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:
  - (i) if the Loan's obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, such corporate family rating; and
  - (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Obligation Rating of such Loan;
  - (iii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, the rating that is one subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating;
- (b) with respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a bond, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating of such Collateral Obligation;
- (c) with respect to a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the rating that is one rating subcategory below the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof;
- (d) with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof (or, if the obligation does not have an Assigned Moody's Rating but has a rating by S&P, the rating that is the number of rating subcategories specified by Moody's below such S&P rating); and
- (e) with respect to a Synthetic Security, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

“Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating”: With respect to any Collateral Obligation that is a Loan or bond and the obligor thereof, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (a) if the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating;
- (b) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's “Issuer Rating” for the obligor;
- (c) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, then

- (i) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "B3" (and, if rated "B3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one rating subcategory higher than such Assigned Moody's Rating, or
- (ii) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "B3" (or rated "B3" and on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be such Assigned Moody's Rating;
- (d) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, then:
  - (i) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "Caa3" (and, if rated "Caa3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one subcategory below such Assigned Moody's Rating, or
  - (ii) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "Caa3" (or rated "Caa3" and on watch for downgrade), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be "C";
- (e) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but such obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be one rating subcategory below such corporate family rating;
- (f) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be:
  - (i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher,
  - (ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; or
  - (iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating no lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (f)(iii), or clauses (g)(iii) or (h)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;
- (g) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:
  - (i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (c) above; or

(iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (g)(iii), or clauses (f)(iii) or (h)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(h) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (d) above; or

(iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (h)(iii), or clauses (f)(iii) or (g)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(i) if the preceding clauses do not apply and each of the following clauses (i) through (viii) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa1":

(i) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings,

(ii) no debt securities or obligations of the obligor are in default,

(iii) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates has defaulted on any debt during the preceding two years,

(iv) the obligor has been in existence for the preceding five years,

(v) the obligor is current on any cumulative dividends,

(vi) the fixed-charge ratio for the obligor exceeds 125% for each of the preceding two fiscal years and for the most recent quarter,

(vii) the obligor had a net profit before tax in the past fiscal year and the most recent quarter, and

(viii) the annual financial statements of such obligor are unqualified and certified by a firm of Independent accountants of international reputation, and quarterly statements are unaudited but signed by a corporate officer;

(j) if the preceding clauses do not apply but each of the following clauses (i) and (ii) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa3":

(i) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings; and

(ii) no debt security or obligation of such obligor has been in default during the past two years; and

(k) if the preceding clauses do not apply and a debt security or obligation of the obligor has been in default during the past two years, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Ca."

Notwithstanding the foregoing, not more than 10% of the Maximum Investment Amount may consist of Investment Obligations given a Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating based on a rating given by S&P as provided in clauses (f), (g) and (h) above.

"Moody's Obligation Rating": With respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

(a) With respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:

(i) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the rating that is one rating subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and

(b) With respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a bond:

(i) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and

(c) With respect to a Synthetic Security or a DIP Loan, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Obligation Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

“Moody’s Rating”: The Moody’s Default Probability Rating; provided that, with respect to the Collateral Obligations generally, if at any time Moody’s or any successor to it ceases to provide rating services, references to rating categories of Moody’s in this Indenture shall be deemed instead to be references to the equivalent categories of any other nationally recognized investment rating agency selected by the Portfolio Manager, as of the most recent date on which such other rating agency and Moody’s published ratings for the type of security in respect of which such alternative rating agency is used.

“S&P Rating”: With respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following methodology:

(i) If there is an issuer credit rating of the borrower of the Collateral Obligation (the “Borrower”), or the guarantor who unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the Collateral Obligation (the “Guarantor”) by S&P, the most current issuer credit rating for such Borrower or Guarantor;

(ii) (a) if there is not an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation will be one subcategory below such rating; (b) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior unsecured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be such rating; and (c) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a subordinated obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be two subcategories above such rating if such rating is “BBB-” or higher and will be one subcategory above such rating if such rating is “BB+” or lower; or

(iii) if there is neither an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P nor a rating by S&P on an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating may be determined using any one of the methods below:

(A) if an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is publicly rated by Moody’s, then the S&P Rating will be determined in accordance with the methodologies for establishing the Moody’s Default Probability Rating, except that the S&P Rating of such obligation will be (1) one subcategory below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody’s if such security is rated “Baa3” or higher by Moody’s and (2) two subcategories below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody’s if such security is rated “Bal” or lower by Moody’s; provided that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount (which concentration may be increased to 10% upon satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to S&P) may be given a S&P Rating based on a rating given by Moody’s as provided in this subclause (a) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

(B) if no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody’s, then the Portfolio Manager may apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating estimate, which will be its S&P Rating; or

(C) (1) if such Collateral Obligation (other than a Current-Pay Obligation) is not rated by Moody’s or S&P, no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody’s and if the Portfolio Manager determines in its sole



discretion based on information available to it after reasonable inquiry that such Borrower (x) is not subject to any bankruptcy or reorganization proceedings nor in default on any of its obligations (unless the subject of a good faith business dispute), (y) is a legally constituted corporate entity having the minimum legal, financial and operational infrastructure to carry on a definable business, deliver and sell a product or service and report its results in generally accepted accounting terms as verified by a reputable audit firm and (z) is not so vulnerable to adverse business, financial and economic conditions that default in its financial or other obligations is foreseeable in the near term if current operating trends continue, then the S&P Rating will be “B-”; provided that the Portfolio Manager must apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating on such Borrower within 30 days after the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation; provided, further, that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount may be given an S&P Rating based on this subclause (C) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable) or (2) if such Collateral Obligation is a Current-Pay Obligation and is not rated by Moody’s or S&P and no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody’s, then the S&P Rating will be “CCC-”;

provided that if (i) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any positive “credit watch” list by S&P, such rating will be increased by one rating subcategory or (ii) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any negative “credit watch” list by S&P, such rating will be decreased by one rating subcategory.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the S&P Rating shall be (A) the rating assigned thereto by S&P if the rating is public, (B) the rating assigned by S&P if the rating is confidential, but only if all appropriate parties have provided written consent to its disclosure and use, (C) the rating assigned by S&P thereto through an estimated rating or (D) the rating assigned thereto by S&P in connection with the acquisition thereof upon the request of the Portfolio Manager. In the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a PIK Security, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Securities, the S&P Rating may not be determined pursuant to clause (iii)(A) above.

S&P Ratings for entities or obligations relevant hereunder other than Borrowers and Collateral Obligations shall be determined in a corresponding manner.

Exhibit A1

**Form of Temporary Regulation S Global Security**

Exhibit A2

**Form of Regulation S Global Security**

Exhibit A3

**Form of Rule 144A Global Note**

Exhibit B1

**Form of Transfer Certificate for  
Rule 144A Global Note to Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global  
Security**

Exhibit B2

**Form of Transfer Certificate for  
Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global Security to Rule 144A Global  
Note**

Exhibit C

**Form of Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP Opinion**

Exhibit D

**Form of Walkers Opinion**



Exhibit E

**Form of Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP Opinion**

Exhibit F

**Form of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP Opinion**

Exhibit G

**Form of Account Agreement**

Exhibit H

**Forms of Section 3(c)(7) Notices**

Exhibit H-1

**Form of Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice**

Exhibit H-2

**Form of Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice**

Exhibit I

**Form of Extension Notice**

## **EXHIBIT LL**



CLASS E CERTIFICATE PAYING AGENCY AGREEMENT

(Relating to the Issuer's Class E Certificates, Par Value U.S.\$0.01 Per Certificate)

between

LIBERTY CLO, LTD.

as Issuer

and

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

as Class E Certificate Paying Agent

Dated as of December 8, 2005

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CLASS E CERTIFICATE PAYING AGENCY AGREEMENT, dated as of December 8, 2005 (as the same may be amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time in accordance with the terms hereof, this “Agreement”), between LIBERTY CLO, LTD., an exempted company organized with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands (together with its permitted successors and assigns hereunder, the “Issuer”) and JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, a national banking association, as paying agent (the “Class E Certificate Paying Agent”).

## PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

WHEREAS, the Issuer shall, pursuant to an Indenture dated as of the date hereof (as the same may be supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof, the “Indenture”), among the Issuer, LIBERTY CLO, CORP., a Delaware corporation (the “Co-Issuer” and, together with the Issuer, the “Co-Issuers”) and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as trustee (in such capacity, together with its permitted successors and assigns thereunder, the “Trustee”), (i) issue together with the Co-Issuer the Notes (as defined therein) and (ii) issue the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities;

WHEREAS, the Issuer shall, pursuant to its Articles, this Agreement, certain resolutions adopted at the meeting of the Issuer’s Board of Directors on or prior to the Closing Date (collectively, the “Class E Certificate Documents”) issue 94,000 Class E Certificates (including the Class E Certificate Components of the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities), the dividends and any final distribution on which are payable in accordance with the Articles, the Indenture and this Agreement;

WHEREAS, the Issuer is entering into this Agreement to provide for the payment of such dividends and any final distribution on the Class E Certificates and also to provide for certain other matters relating to the Class E Certificates and the holders thereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and the mutual agreements hereinafter contained and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

## ARTICLE I

### DEFINITIONS

Section 1.1 Definitions. (a) Capitalized terms used but not defined herein have the meanings assigned thereto pursuant to the Indenture.

(b) Except as otherwise specified herein or as the context may otherwise require, the following terms have the respective meanings set forth below for all purposes of this Agreement.

“Articles” means the Issuer’s Memorandum of Association and the Issuer’s Articles of Association, collectively, as the same may be further amended, supplemented or otherwise modified and in effect from time to time.

“Authorized Officer” means, with respect to (i) the Issuer, any director or officer thereof or of any other Person who is authorized, by power-of-attorney or otherwise, to act for the Issuer in matters relating to the Issuer and (ii) the Class E Certificate Paying Agent or the Class E Certificate Registrar, a Responsible Officer. Each party shall be entitled to receive and accept a certification of the authority and incumbency of the other party as conclusive evidence of the authority of any Person to act, and such certification may be considered as in full force and effect until receipt by such party of written notice to the contrary.

“Certificated Class E Certificate” has the meaning specified in Section 2.1.

“Change of Control” has the meaning specified in Section 3.10.

“Class E Certificate Distribution Account” means a single, segregated account titled “Class E Certificate Distribution Account”, established by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent pursuant to Section 2.9 hereof to be held in the name of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent.

“Class E Certificate Dividend Amount” means, with respect to any Payment Date other than the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date, the amount on deposit in the Class E Certificate Distribution Account on such Payment Date after taking into account the amount paid by the Trustee to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent on such date for deposit to the Class E Certificate Distribution Account pursuant to Section 11.1 of the Indenture.

“Class E Certificate Documents” has the meaning specified in the recitals hereto.

“Class E Certificate Paying Agent” means JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, a national banking association, in its capacity as Class E Certificate Paying Agent under this Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the Class E Certificate Paying Agent pursuant to Section 3.9, and thereafter “Class E Certificate Paying Agent” shall mean such successor Person.

“Class E Certificate Premium” means, under Cayman Islands law as in effect on the Closing Date, an amount equal to (a) on the Closing Date, the sum of (i) the aggregate proceeds to the Issuer of the offering of all of the Class E Certificates after giving effect to discounts and commissions payable to the Placement Agent, but without taking into account any fees and expenses of the Issuer relating to such offering minus (ii) the aggregate par value of all of the Class E Certificates, and (b) on any Payment Date or the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date, (x) the amount determined pursuant to clause (a) minus (y) the aggregate of any reductions made to such amount on account of distributions previously made from Class E Certificate Premium to the Class E Certificateholders by or on behalf of the Issuer prior to such Payment Date or Scheduled

Class E Certificates Redemption Date, as applicable, or as otherwise defined under the laws of the Cayman Islands from time to time in effect, in each case as determined by the Issuer.

“Class E Certificate Redemption Price” means, with respect to any one or more Class E Certificates or all Class E Certificates, such Class E Certificates’ pro rata allocation of (or, in the case of all Class E Certificates, all of) the amounts in the Class E Certificate Distribution Account available to pay a final distribution on such Class E Certificates on the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date (or other applicable redemption date) in accordance with Cayman Islands law.

“Class E Certificate Register” has the meaning specified in Section 2.7(a).

“Class E Certificate Registrar” has the meaning specified in Section 2.7(a).

“Class E Certificate Surplus” means, with respect to any Payment Date or the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date, the sum of Class E Certificate Premium and Distributable Profits for the related Interest Period.

“Class E Certificateholder” means, with respect to any Class E Certificate, the Person in whose name such Class E Certificate is registered in the Class E Certificate Register.

“Class E Certificates” means the Class E Certificates, par value U.S.\$0.01 per certificate, in the capital of the Issuer of which 94,000 certificates have been authorized and issued on the Closing Date.

“Closing Date” means December 8, 2005.

“Corporate Trust Office” means the principal corporate trust office of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, currently located at 600 Travis Street, 50<sup>th</sup> Floor, Houston, Texas 77002, Attn: Worldwide Securities Services – Liberty CLO, Ltd., or at such other address as provided in this Agreement or as the Class E Certificate Paying Agent may designate from time to time by notice to the Class E Certificateholders, the Issuer, the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Class E Certificate Paying Agent.

“Distributable Profits” means, with respect to any Payment Date, the amounts (other than the aggregate par value of the Class E Certificates and Class E Certificate Premium) available to pay dividends and any final distribution on the Class E Certificates determined by or on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Issuer in accordance with Cayman Islands law and without giving effect to unrealized changes in the market value of the Pledged Securities on such Payment Date.

“Extended Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date” means, in the case of the first Maturity Extension, the Payment Date in November, 2021 and in the case of

any subsequent Maturity Extension, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date.

“Majority” means, with respect to the Class E Certificates at any time, Class E Certificateholders holding more than 50% in number of the Class E Certificates Outstanding at such time.

“Non-Permitted Holder” has the meaning specified in Section 2.12(a).

“notice” has the meaning specified in Section 9.5(a).

“Officer’s Certificate” means a certificate signed on behalf of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer.

“Opinion of Counsel” means a written opinion of counsel in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the recipient(s), of an attorney at law admitted to practice before the highest court of any state of the United States or the District of Columbia (or the Cayman Islands or other relevant jurisdiction in the case of an opinion relating to the laws of the Cayman Islands or such jurisdiction), which attorney may, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, be counsel for the Issuer or the Class E Certificate Paying Agent.

“Ordinary Shares” means the 1,000 voting ordinary shares, U.S.\$1.00 par value per share, in the capital of the Issuer.

“Placement Agency Agreement” means the Placement Agency Agreement, dated as of December 7, 2005, between the Issuer and the Placement Agent.

“Placement Agent” means Citigroup Global Markets Inc., as Placement Agent of the Class E Certificates pursuant to the Placement Agency Agreement.

“Process Agent” has the meaning specified in Section 9.15.

“Qualified Transferee” has the meaning specified in Section 2.3.

“Registered Office” means the offices of Liberty CLO, Ltd., c/o Walkers SPV Limited, P.O. Box 908 GT, Walker House, Mary Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, or at such other place in the Cayman Islands as the Directors may from time to time decide pursuant to the Articles.

“Responsible Officer” means (i) when used with respect to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, any officer within the Corporate Trust Office of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent who is responsible for the administration of this Agreement, including any Vice President, Assistant Vice President, Assistant Treasurer, Trust Officer, or any other officer of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent customarily performing functions similar to those performed by any of the above designated officers and also, with respect to a particular matter, any other officer within the Corporate Trust Office to whom such matter is referred because of such officer’s knowledge of and familiarity with the



particular subject and (ii) when used with respect to the Class E Certificate Registrar, any officer within the Administrator's office (or any successor or comparable group of the Class E Certificate Registrar) including any senior vice president, vice president, assistant vice president, treasurer, associate or any other officer of the Class E Certificate Registrar customarily performing functions similar to those performed by the persons who at the time shall be such officers, respectively, or to whom any corporate trust matter is referred within the Administrator's office (or such successor or comparable group's corporate office) because of his or her knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject.

"Rule 144A Information" has the meaning specified in Section 2.7(d).

"Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date" means the Payment Date in November 2017 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date.

"Trustee" means the Trustee under the Indenture.

Section 1.2 Interpretation. Unless otherwise indicated in this Agreement:

(a) any definition of or reference to any agreement, instrument or other document herein shall be construed as referring to such agreement, instrument or other document as from time to time amended, supplemented or otherwise modified (subject to any restrictions on such amendments, supplements or modifications set forth herein);

(b) all references to an "Article," "Section," or "Exhibit" are to an Article or Section hereof or to an Exhibit attached hereto;

(c) defined terms in the singular shall include the plural and vice versa, and the masculine, feminine or neuter gender shall include all genders;

(d) the words "hereof," "herein" and "hereunder" and other words of similar import when used in this Agreement shall refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular provision of this Agreement;

(e) the words "include," "includes" and "including" shall be deemed to be followed by the phrase "without limitation;"

(f) all time references used herein shall refer to Eastern Standard Time or Eastern Daylight Savings Time, whichever is then in effect;

(g) the word "dollar" and the symbols "US\$" and "\$" shall mean the lawful currency from time to time of the United States of America; and

(h) for purposes of any calculation or determination hereunder, the result of which is expressed as a percentage, such result shall be rounded to the nearest 0.00001%, unless otherwise specified herein.

## ARTICLE II

## THE CLASS E CERTIFICATES

Section 2.1 Issuance of Class E Certificates. (i) All Class E Certificates initially sold to non-U.S. persons in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S shall each be initially represented by one or more temporary global securities in definitive, fully registered form, substantially in the form of Exhibit A-2, including legends (each a “Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate”). On or after the first Business Day following the 40<sup>th</sup> day after the later of the Closing Date and the commencement of the offering of the Class E Certificates (the “Exchange Date”), interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate will be exchangeable for interests in one or more permanent global Class E Certificates in definitive, fully registered form substantially in the form of Exhibit A-3, including legends (each a “Regulation S Global Class E Certificate”, and together with the Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate, the “Global Class E Certificates”), upon certification that the beneficial interests in such Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate are owned by persons that are not U.S. persons. The Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificates and Regulation S Global Class E Certificates shall be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for the Class E Certificates represented thereby with the Class E Certificate Paying Agent as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, the Depositary for credit to Depositary participants that hold such positions on behalf of Euroclear and Clearstream, for further credit to the respective accounts of Euroclear and Clearstream, duly executed by the Issuer. The aggregate number of Class E Certificates represented by the Regulation S Global Class E Certificates may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent or the Depositary, as the case may be, as hereinafter provided.

The provisions of the “Operating Procedures of the Euroclear System” of Euroclear and the “Terms and Conditions Governing Use of Participants” of Clearstream, respectively, shall be applicable to the Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificates and Regulation S Global Class E Certificates insofar as interests in the Global Class E Certificates are held by the Agent Members of Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be.

Agent Members shall have no rights under the Class E Certificate Documents with respect to any Global Class E Certificates held on their behalf by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, as custodian for the Depositary and the Depositary may be treated by the Issuer and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent and any agent of the Issuer or the Class E Certificate Paying Agent as the absolute owner of such Class E Certificate for all purposes whatsoever. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing in this Agreement shall prevent the Issuer or the Class E Certificate Paying Agent or any agent of the Issuer or the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, from giving effect to any written certification, proxy, or other authorization furnished by the Depositary or impair, as between the Depositary and its Agent Members, the operation of customary practices governing the exercise of the rights of a Holder of any Class E Certificates.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the preceding paragraphs of this Section 2.1(i), if (i) the Depositary notifies the Issuer that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for a Global Class E Certificate or ceases to be a "Clearing Agency" registered under the Exchange Act and a successor depository is not appointed by the Issuer within 90 days of such notice, (ii) as a result of any amendment to or change in, the laws or regulations of the Cayman Islands or of any authority therein or thereof having power to tax or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations which become effective on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer or the Class E Certificate Paying Agent becomes aware that it is or will be required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Class E Certificate which would not be required if the Global Class E Certificates were in certificated form or (iii) an Event of Default under the Indenture has occurred and is continuing and has not been waived, then the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall execute an agreement with the Issuer amending this Agreement for the purpose of terminating the book entry deposit system and substituting certificated Class E Certificates for Global Class E Certificates. Such agreement shall provide for the form and terms of such certificated Class E Certificates and the place and manner in which a Holders of Class E Certificates may obtain possession of such certificated Class E Certificates; *provided*, that in no event may holders of beneficial interests in the Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificates receive certificated Class E Certificates pursuant to this provision prior to the Exchange Date and each such holder must certify to the Issuer and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent that it is not a U.S. Person. Such agreement shall also provide the procedures for registration of transfer or exchange of such certificated Class E Certificates, as well as such other provisions as the Issuer and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent may agree shall be necessary or appropriate to effect the substitution of certificated Class E Certificates for Global Class E Certificates and to modify the provisions of this Agreement to provide for the use of certificated Class E Certificates in lieu of a book-entry deposit system.

Upon the occurrence of any of the events described in the preceding paragraph, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall notify all Holders of the Global Class E Certificates and shall advise such Holders of the Global Class E Certificates of the procedure by which the Global Class E Certificates shall be exchanged for certificated Class E Certificates. Each beneficial owner of Global Class E Certificates shall be entitled, at no cost to it, to have registered in the name of the beneficial owner of Global Class E Certificates one or more certificated Class E Certificates representing the same aggregate number of Class E Certificates as its beneficial interest in the related Global Class E Certificate. Upon the occurrence of any such event, (i) the Class E Certificate Paying Agent at the expense of the Issuer shall obtain from the Depositary a listing of the Participants then holding Global Class E Certificates on the records of the Depositary and (ii) upon surrender by the Depositary to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent of the Global Class E Certificates, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall cancel such Global Class E Certificates and the Issuers shall execute and deliver to such Participants certificated Class E Certificates representing in the aggregate the identical aggregate number of Class E Certificates in which such Participants held beneficial interests in on the records of the Depositary, registered in such names as such Participants shall have

provided to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent; *provided, however*, that the Class E Certificate Registrar shall not register any such certificated Class E Certificate or and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall not deliver any such certificated Class E Certificate to a Participant unless and until such Participant shall have provided to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent a certification acceptable to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent that such registration instructions were given, and delivery of such certificated Class E Certificate will be made, in accordance with the directions of the beneficial owners of Class E Certificates represented by such Participant. Neither the Issuer nor the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall be liable for any delay in delivery of such registration instructions by any Participant and each of them may conclusively rely on, and shall be protected in relying on, (i) information contained in the Participant listing provided by the Depositary regarding the names of the Participants holding beneficial interests in the Global Class E Certificates and the aggregate number of Class E Certificates represented by the beneficial interests in the Global Class E Certificates held by each such Participant, and (ii) the foregoing registration instructions and certifications provided by each such Participant with respect to certificated Class E Certificates representing the same aggregate number of certificated Class E Certificates as the beneficial interests in the Global Class E Certificates stated to be held by such Participant in such Participant listing. The Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall recognize the registered holders of the certificated Class E Certificates as Holders of the Class E Certificates hereunder. The Class E Certificate Registrar shall reflect on its records the issuance of certificated Class E Certificates in exchange for the Global Class E Certificates. In the event that certificated Class E Certificates for any reason are not so issued by the Issuer to such beneficial owners of interests in Global Class E Certificates, the Issuer expressly acknowledges that such beneficial owners shall be entitled to pursue any remedy that the Holders of a Global Class E Certificate would be entitled to pursue in accordance with the Class E Certificate Documents (but only to the extent of such beneficial owner's interest in the Global Class E Certificate) as if certificated Class E Certificates had been issued. Payments on such certificated Class E Certificates will be made by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a Dollar-denominated account maintained by the owner or, if a wire transfer cannot be effected, by a Dollar check delivered to the Holder.

(ii) All Class E Certificates initially sold to U.S. persons shall be issued in the form of definitive, physical certificates in fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof, and in the form of, with the applicable legends set forth in, Exhibit A-1 attached hereto (each such certificate, a "Certificated Class E Certificate").

(iii) As used in this Section 2.1 and 2.3, "U.S. person" and "offshore transaction" have the meanings assigned to them in Regulation S.

(iv) The Class E Certificate Components of the Class Q-1 Securities, Class P-1 Securities and Class P-2 Securities shall constitute Class E Certificates for all purposes hereunder, except to the extent expressly provided otherwise herein; provided that Sections 2.14 and 2.15 of the Indenture shall override any inconsistent or contrary

provision of this Agreement with respect to the applicable Class E Certificate Components.

Section 2.2 Form of Certificates. Each Class E Certificate shall have such appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions and other variations as are required or permitted by this Agreement, and may have such letters, numbers or other marks of identification and such legends or endorsements placed thereon, as may, consistently herewith, be determined by the Authorized Officers of the Issuer executing such Class E Certificate as evidenced by their execution of such Class E Certificate. Any portion of the text of any Class E Certificate may be set forth on the reverse thereof, with an appropriate reference thereto on the face of the Class E Certificate.

Section 2.3 Initial Offering; Transfer. The Class E Certificates will only initially be offered (i) in the form of Certificated Class E Certificates, in the United States, to Qualified Institutional Buyers or Accredited Investors in reliance on Section 4(2) of the Securities Act, that in either case are also either Qualified Purchasers or Knowledgeable Employee, and (ii) in the form of Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificates, outside the United States, to non-U.S. persons in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act. Class E Certificates may be transferred only (1) in the form of Certificated Class E Certificates to Qualified Purchasers or Knowledgeable Employees that are either (a) Qualified Institutional Buyers in reliance on Rule 144A under the Securities Act or (b) Accredited Investors in reliance on an exemption from registration under the Securities Act (provided that in the case of any transfer to an Accredited Investor pursuant to subclause (b) and if requested by the Issuer or on its behalf, the transferor or the transferee will be required to provide an Opinion of Counsel to each of the Issuer, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent and the Class E Certificate Registrar to the effect that such transfer may be made pursuant to an exemption from registration under the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws), or (2) in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate or Regulation S Global Class E Certificate to non-U.S. persons in offshore transactions meeting the requirements of Regulation S of the Securities Act (each, a "Qualified Transferee").

Section 2.4 Representations of Holders of Interests in Global Certificates. Each initial purchaser and subsequent transferee who is purchasing an interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate or Regulations S Global Class E Certificate will be deemed to have represented and agreed as follows:

- (1) It is aware that the sale of Class E Certificates to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Regulation S and understands that the Class E Certificates offered in reliance on Regulation S will bear the legend set forth in Exhibit A-2 or Exhibit A-3, as applicable, hereto. It and each beneficial owner of its Class E Certificates is not, and will not be, a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act, and its purchase of the Class E Certificates will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located. In addition, it represents and warrants that it will (i) provide notice to any subsequent transferee of the

transfer restrictions provided in such legend and in the Indenture, (ii) hold and transfer its beneficial interest in any Class E Certificates only in a Face Amount of not less than the applicable minimum denomination; and (iii) provide the Issuer from time to time such information as it may reasonably request in order to ascertain compliance with this paragraph 1.

- (2) The Class E Certificates are being purchased or transferred in accordance with the transfer restrictions set forth in the Class E Certificate Documents and pursuant to an exemption from Securities Act registration, and in accordance with applicable state securities laws or securities laws of any other relevant jurisdiction. It understands that the Class E Certificates have been offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Class E Certificates have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or the securities laws of any states, and, if in the future it decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Class E Certificates, such Class E Certificates may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with an exemption from registration under such laws and pursuant to the provisions of the Class E Certificate Documents and the legend on such Class E Certificates. In particular, it understands that the Class E Certificates may be transferred only (a) in the form of a Certificated Class E Certificate to a Qualified Purchaser or Knowledgeable Employee that is either (i) a Qualified Institutional Buyer or (ii) an Accredited Investor (*provided* that in the case of any transfer to an Accredited Investor pursuant to this clause (ii) and if requested by the Issuer or on its behalf, the transferor or the transferee has provided an opinion of counsel to each of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Class E Certificate Registrar and the Issuer that such transfer may be made pursuant to an exemption from registration under the Securities Act and any applicable state securities law) or (b) in the form of an interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate or Regulation S Global Class E Certificate to a person that is not a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. It acknowledges that no representation is made as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or any state or other securities laws for resale of the Class E Certificates and that purchasers and transferees who reside in certain states or jurisdictions may be subject to additional suitability standards and/or specific holding periods before the Class E Certificates may be resold or otherwise transferred.
- (3) In connection with the purchase of the Class E Certificates: (a) it understands that none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent or any of their respective Affiliates is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for it; (b) it is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (in each case whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Trustee, the

Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective Affiliates, agents and independent contractors in their capacities as such other than statements, if any, of such person in a current offering circular for the Class E Certificates; (c) it has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisers to the extent it has deemed necessary and has made its own investment decisions based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisers as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective Affiliates, agents and independent contractors in their capacities as such; (d) its purchase of the Class E Certificates will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located; (e) it is acquiring the Class E Certificates as principal solely for its own account for investment and not with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act; (f) it has made investments prior to the date hereof and was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Class E Certificates; (g) it will not hold any Class E Certificates for the benefit of any other person, it will at all times be the sole beneficial owner thereof for purposes of the Investment Company Act and all other purposes and it will not sell participation interests in the Class E Certificates or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or distributions on the Class E Certificates; (h) all Class E Certificates (together with any other securities of the Co-Issuers) purchased and held directly or indirectly by it constitute in the aggregate an investment of no more than 40% of its assets or capital; and (i) it is a sophisticated investor and is purchasing the Class E Certificates with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof, and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume those risks.

- (4) (a) The purchaser is not, and is not acting on behalf of or using the assets of, (i) an “employee benefit plan” as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA subject to Title I of ERISA, (ii) a plan described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code subject to Section 4975 of the Code, or (iii) an entity whose underlying assets include “plan assets” by reason of U.S. Department of Labor regulation Section 2510.3-101 or otherwise; (b) if the purchaser is a governmental plan (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA), church plan (as defined in Section 3(33) of ERISA) or a non-US plan (as described in Section 4(b)(4) of ERISA), its purchase, holding and subsequent transfer of the Class E Certificates will not result in a violation of any applicable laws, rules, regulations, policies and guidelines to which it and its investments are subject; and (c) the purchaser and any person causing it to acquire any Class E Certificates agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, Co-Issuer, Portfolio Manager, Class E Certificate Paying Agent, Trustee, Collateral Administrator, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, Placement Agent and Initial

Purchaser and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage or loss, liability, expense, claim, proceeding or excise tax incurred by them as a result of any of the foregoing representations being or becoming untrue. It understands that the representations made by it pursuant to this paragraph 4 shall be deemed made on each day from the date it acquires its interest in the Class E Certificates through and including the date on which it disposes of its interests in the Class E Certificates. It understands that the Issuer may require any holder of the Class E Certificates that has made a false representation with respect to the foregoing matters to sell the Class E Certificates and, if such holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may sell such holder's interest in the Class E Certificates. It understands that any transfer effected in connection with such a representation that was false will be of no force and effect, will be void *ab initio*, and will not operate to transfer any rights to the transferee, notwithstanding any instructions to the contrary to the Issuer, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent or any intermediary.

- (5) It understands that the Class E Certificates Documents permit the Issuer to demand that any holder of a beneficial interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate or Regulation S Global Class E Certificate who is determined not to have acquired such beneficial interest in compliance with the requirements of Regulation S or who is a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) sell such beneficial interest (a) to a Person who is not a U.S. person in a transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S or (b) to a Person who will take delivery of the holder's interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate or Regulation S Global Class E Certificate in the form of a Certificated Class E Certificate, who is both (i) a Qualified Institutional Buyer or an Accredited Investor (*provided* that in the case of any transfer to an Accredited Investor and if requested by the Issuer or on its behalf, the transferor or the transferee has provided an opinion of counsel to each of the Issuer, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent and the Class E Certificate Registrar that such transfer may be made pursuant to an exemption from registration under the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws) and (ii) a Qualified Purchaser or Knowledgeable Employee, in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A of the Securities Act or another applicable exemption from the Securities Act (in the case of a transferee who is an Accredited Investor), and, if the holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may cause the holder to sell its beneficial interest on such terms as the Issuer may choose.
- (6) The purchaser acknowledges that it is its intent and that it understands it is the intent of the Issuer that, for purposes of U.S. federal income tax, state and local income and franchise tax and any other income taxes, the Issuer will be treated as a corporation, the Notes will be treated as indebtedness of the Issuer, the Class E Certificates (in the absence of an administrative determination or judicial ruling to the contrary) will be treated as equity in the Issuer; the Class Q-1 Securities will be treated as a direct ownership interest in



the different Classes of Securities corresponding to the components of the Class Q-1 Securities, and the Class P Securities will be treated as a direct ownership interest in the corresponding components of the Class P Securities, and the purchaser agrees to such treatment and agrees to take no action inconsistent with such treatment.

- (7) The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer is not authorized to engage in activities that could cause it to constitute a finance or lending business for federal income tax purposes and agrees that it will report its investment in the Class E Certificates in a manner consistent with such limitation, and in particular will not treat the Issuer as an “eligible controlled foreign corporation” for purposes of Section 954(h) of the Code or as deriving income described in Section 1297(b)(2) of the Code.
- (8) Such beneficial owner is aware that, except as otherwise provided in the Class E Certificate Documents, the Class E Certificates being sold to it will be represented (a) initially, by one or more Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificates and (b) after the Exchange Date, by one or more Regulation S Global Class E Certificates, and that beneficial interests therein may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream.
- (9) The purchaser is not purchasing the Class E Certificates in order to reduce any United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan. In the case of a purchaser that is a bank (as defined in Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code) or an affiliate of such a bank, the purchaser (a) is acquiring the Class E Certificates as a capital markets investment and will not for any purpose treat the assets of the Issuer as loans acquired in its banking business and (b) has not proposed or identified, and will not propose or identify, any security or loan for inclusion in the Collateral.
- (10) In the case of any purchaser that is not a United States person (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code), the purchaser is not a bank (as defined in Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code) or an affiliate of such a bank, unless the purchaser is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States.
- (11) The purchaser agrees to notify subsequent transferees of all transfer restrictions applicable to holders of Class E Certificates set forth in the Class E Certificate Documents.
- (12) The purchaser acknowledges that no governmental agency has passed upon the Class E Certificates or made any finding or determination as to the fairness of an investment in the Class E Certificates.
- (13) The purchaser acknowledges that certain persons or organizations will perform services on behalf of the Co-Issuers and will receive fees and/or compensation for performing such services as described in the Offering Memorandum and the Indenture and Class E Certificate Documents.

- (14) A holder of a beneficial interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate must provide Euroclear or Clearstream or the participant organization through which it holds such interest, as applicable, with a certificate certifying that the beneficial owner of the interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate is a non-U.S. Person, and Euroclear or Clearstream, as applicable, must provide to the Trustee a certificate to such effect, prior to (a) the payment of interest or principal or other amounts with respect to such holder's beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate and (b) any exchange of such beneficial interest for a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Class E Certificate.
- (15) It understands that any resale or other transfer of beneficial interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate or Regulation S Global Class E Certificate to U.S. Persons shall not be permitted.
- (16) The purchaser acknowledges that the Class E Certificates do not represent deposits with or other liabilities or obligations of, and are not guaranteed or endorsed by, the Placement Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective Affiliates or any entity related to any of them or any other holder of Class E Certificates. It acknowledges that none of such persons will, in any way, be responsible for or stand behind the value or the performance of the Class E Certificates. It acknowledges that purchase of Class E Certificates involves investment risks including possible delay in payment of distributions and loss of income and principal invested.
- (17) It understands that the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date is subject to up to four extensions of four years each (to a latest possible date of November 1, 2033) without consent of any beneficial owners of Securities if certain conditions are satisfied.
- (18) It understands that in the case of any amendment to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more holders of Class E Certificates, the Indenture and Class E Certificate Documents permit the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase at a purchase price determined pursuant to the Indenture and Class E Certificate Documents the Class E Certificates from any holder thereof that either (i) has declared in writing that it will not consent to such amendment or (ii) had not consented to such amendment by the last day on which consent could be given in accordance with the request therefor, and such holder will be required to sell its Class E Certificates to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at the applicable purchase price. In addition, in the case of any vote by holders of Class E Certificates to remove the Portfolio Manager without cause, the Class E Certificate Documents permit the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase at a purchase price determined pursuant to the Class E Certificate Documents the Class E Certificates from any holder that voted in favor of such removal, and such holder will be required to sell its Class E

Certificates to the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser at the applicable purchase price.

- (19) It understands that the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Revolving Note Agent, the Delayed Drawdown Note Agent, the Collateral Administrator and their respective counsel will rely upon the accuracy and truth of the foregoing representations, and it hereby consents to such reliance.

Section 2.5 Authorized Number of Class E Certificates; Minimum Purchase; No Fractional Class E Certificates. (a) The aggregate number of Class E Certificates that may be issued on the Closing Date under the Articles and this Agreement is limited to 94,000 Class E Certificates. Such aggregate number shall include any Class E Certificates represented by Class E Certificate Components pursuant to the Indenture.

(b) The Class E Certificates shall be issued and allotted and shall be transferable in minimum amounts of five hundred (500) Class E Certificates and integral multiples of one (1) Class E Certificate in excess thereof; provided that one Class E Certificate may be issued and may be transferred in a minimum denomination of 200 certificates and integral multiples of one certificate in excess thereof. After giving effect to any transfer of Class E Certificates, the transferor thereof shall have retained a number of Class E Certificates that is either (i) equal to zero or (ii) equal to or greater than the applicable denomination. Fractional Class E Certificates shall not be issued. The Class E Certificates shall have a deemed Face Amount of U.S.\$1,000 per certificate.

Section 2.6 Execution, Delivery and Dating. The Certificated Class E Certificates, the Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificates and the Regulation S Global Class E Certificates shall be executed on behalf of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer thereof. The signature of such Authorized Officer on the Class E Certificate Certificates may be manual or facsimile.

Class E Certificates bearing the manual or facsimile signature of an individual who was at any time an Authorized Officer of the Issuer shall bind the Issuer notwithstanding the fact that such individual has ceased to hold such office prior to the delivery of such Class E Certificates or did not hold such office at the date of issuance of such Class E Certificates.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Agreement, the Issuer may deliver Class E Certificates executed on behalf of the Issuer to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, upon Issuer Order, shall deliver such Class E Certificates as provided in this Agreement and not otherwise.

Each Class E Certificate delivered by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent upon Issuer Order on the Closing Date shall be dated as of the Closing Date. All other Class E Certificates that are delivered after the Closing Date for any other purpose under this Agreement shall be dated the date of their issuance.

No Holder of a Class E Certificate shall be entitled to any benefit under this Agreement and no Class E Certificate shall be valid for any purpose, unless there appears in the Class E Certificate Register a corresponding indication of ownership of such Class E Certificate by such Holder.

Section 2.7 Registration, Registration of Transfer and Exchange. (a) In accordance with the Articles, the Issuer shall cause to be kept a register (the “Class E Certificate Register”) outside the United States (although a duplicate copy may be kept inside the United States) in which, subject to such reasonable procedures as it may from time to time prescribe, the Issuer shall provide for the registration of the Class E Certificates and the registration of transfers of the Class E Certificates. Such procedures shall at all times conform to the requirements of Cayman Islands law. The Administrator is hereby initially appointed “Class E Certificate Registrar” for the purpose of registering Class E Certificates and transfers of such Class E Certificates and keeping the Class E Certificate Register. The Class E Certificate Register shall, at minimum, contain:

- (i) the names and addresses of the Class E Certificateholders, and a statement of the number of Class E Certificates held by each Class E Certificateholder, distinguishing each Class E Certificate by its number;
- (ii) the date on which the name of any Person was entered on the Class E Certificate Register as a Class E Certificateholder; and
- (iii) the date on which any Person ceased to be a Class E Certificateholder.

The Class E Certificate Registrar shall register the Holders of any Class Q-1 Securities, Class P-1 Securities and Class P-2 Securities as Class E Certificateholders with respect to the Class E Certificates represented by the related Class E Certificate Components. The Issuer shall notify the Class E Certificate Registrar and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent of any such reasonable procedures it may prescribe in relation to transfers of Class E Certificates; provided that such procedures are not in conflict with procedures agreed to pursuant to this Agreement. The Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall be the transfer agent with regard to transfers of the Class E Certificates. The Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall maintain at its Corporate Trust Office such books and records as it may deem necessary or appropriate in respect of the performance of its duties hereunder, including the maintenance of a duplicate Class E Certificate Register, which shall contain, at minimum, the information set forth in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) above of this Section 2.7(a). Upon request at any reasonable time, the Class E Certificate Registrar shall provide to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Trustee or the Issuer a current list of Class E Certificateholders as reflected in the Class E Certificate Register. The Class E Certificate Registrar shall be required to provide the Issuer, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent and the Board of Directors of the Issuer at the Issuer’s Registered Office in the Cayman Islands with a copy of the most recent Class E Certificate Register promptly upon any changes being made thereto.

The Issuer shall give the Class E Certificate Paying Agent prompt written notice of the appointment of any replacement Class E Certificate Registrar and of the location, and any change in the location, of the Class E Certificate Registrar, and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall have the right to inspect the Class E Certificate Register at all reasonable times and to obtain copies thereof, and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall have the right to rely upon a certificate executed on behalf of the Class E Certificate Registrar by a Responsible Officer thereof as to the names and addresses of the Holders of the Class E Certificates and the number of Class E Certificates held by each such Holder. The Class E Certificate Registrar shall have the right to rely conclusively upon any information provided by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent regarding transfers and exchanges of Class E Certificates.

Subject to the provisions of this Section 2.7, upon surrender for registration of transfer of any Class E Certificate, an Authorized Officer of the Issuer shall execute, and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall deliver, in the name of the designated transferee or transferees, one or more new Class E Certificates to reflect such transfer.

At the option of the Holder thereof, Class E Certificates may be exchanged for like Class E Certificates upon surrender of the Class E Certificates to be exchanged to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent. Whenever any Class E Certificate is surrendered for exchange, the Issuer shall execute and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall deliver the Class E Certificate that the Holder of the Class E Certificates making the exchange is entitled to receive.

The Issuer, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent and the Class E Certificate Registrar shall not require a service charge to be paid by a Class E Certificateholder for any registration of transfer of Class E Certificates or exchange of a Class E Certificates, but the Class E Certificate Paying Agent and the Class E Certificate Registrar may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

(b) The Class E Certificate Paying Agent agrees that it shall require delivery prior to any sale or transfer of the certificates required hereunder (with appropriate modifications in the case of a transfer that is a mortgage, charge, pledge or hypothecation or other appropriate modifications acceptable to the Issuer) and any related Opinion of Counsel (as applicable).

(c) No Class E Certificate may be sold or transferred (including, without limitation, by mortgage, charge, pledge or hypothecation) unless such sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, would not require the registration of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Collateral or Class P Collateral (or any part thereof) under the Investment Company Act and is exempt under applicable state and foreign securities laws. None of the Issuer, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent or any other Person may register the Class E Certificates under the Securities Act or any state securities laws.

(d) At any time when the Issuer is not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act or is exempt from reporting requirements pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) thereunder, upon the request of any Class E Certificateholder, the Issuer shall promptly furnish to such Class E Certificateholder or to a prospective purchaser of any Class E Certificate designated by such Class E Certificateholder, as the case may be, the information which the Issuer determines to be required to be delivered pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act ("Rule 144A Information") in order to permit compliance by such Class E Certificateholder with Rule 144A in connection with the resale of such Class E Certificate by such Class E Certificateholder. Upon request by the Issuer, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall cooperate with the Issuer in mailing or otherwise distributing (at the Issuer's expense) to Class E Certificateholders or prospective purchasers of Class E Certificates designated by Class E Certificateholders, at and pursuant to the Issuer's written direction, any Rule 144A Information prepared and provided by the Issuer; provided, however, that the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall be entitled to affix thereto or enclose therewith such disclaimers as the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall deem reasonably appropriate, at its discretion (such as, for example, a disclaimer that such Rule 144A Information was assembled by the Issuer and not by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, that the Class E Certificate Paying Agent has not reviewed or verified the accuracy thereof, and that it makes no representation as to the sufficiency of such information under Rule 144A or for any other purpose).

(e) Upon the redemption of any Class E Certificate, the Holder thereof shall present and surrender the related Class E Certificate at the designated office of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent (which, as of the Closing Date, shall be the Corporate Trust Office) on or prior to the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date; provided, however, that, if there is delivered to the Issuer and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent such security or indemnity as may be reasonably satisfactory to them to save each of them harmless and an undertaking by such Holder thereafter to surrender such Class E Certificate, then, in the absence of written notice to the Issuer or the Class E Certificate Paying Agent that the applicable Class E Certificate has been acquired by a bona fide or protected purchaser for value without notice, such final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender of such Class E Certificate.

(f) No Class E Certificate may be transferred, and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent and Class E Certificate Registrar shall not register any such proposed transfer, to a proposed transferee that has represented that it is, or is acting on behalf of or using the assets of, a Plan.

(g) So long as any Class E Certificate remains Outstanding, transfers and exchanges of a Class E Certificate shall only be made in accordance with Section 2.3 and this Section 2.7(g).

(i) Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate to Regulation S Global Class E Certificate. On or after the Exchange Date, interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate may be exchanged for interests in a Regulation S Global Class E Certificate in the form of Exhibit A-3 hereto. Any such Regulation S Global Class E Certificate shall be so issued and

delivered in exchange for only that portion of the Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate in respect of which there shall have been presented to the Depositary by Euroclear or Clearstream a certification to the effect that it has received from or in respect of a person entitled to an interest (as shown by its records) therein a certification that the beneficial interests in such Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate are owned by persons who are not U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S).

(ii) Interest in Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate or Regulation S Global Class E Certificate to Certificated Class E Certificate. If a holder of a beneficial interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate or Regulation S Global Class E Certificate wishes at any time to transfer its interest in such Class E Certificate in the United States or to a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S), the transferee must take delivery thereof in the form of a Certificated Class E Certificate. Upon receipt by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent of (A) instructions given in accordance with the applicable procedures from a Participant, directing the Class E Certificate Paying Agent to deliver one or more such Certificated Class E Certificates designating the registered name or names, address, payment instructions, and the number of Class E Certificates represented by such Certificated Class E Certificates to be executed and delivered (the aggregate number of Class E Certificates represented by such Certificated Class E Certificates being equal to the aggregate number of Class E Certificates represented by the interest in the related Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate or Regulation S Global S Class E Certificate to be transferred), and in the authorized minimum number of the Class E Certificates and integral multiples specified in Section 2.5 and (B) a properly completed transfer certificate in the form of Exhibit B-1 and any other documentation as may be required thereunder, then the Class E Certificate Paying Agent will instruct the Depositary to reduce, or cause to be reduced, the applicable Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate or Regulation S Global Class E Certificate by the number of Class E Certificates represented by the beneficial interest in such Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate or Regulation S Global Certificate to be transferred and the Class E Certificates Registrar shall record the transfer in the Class E Certificates Register and deliver one or more Certificated Class E Certificates, registered in the names specified in the certificate described in clause (B) above representing the number of Class E Certificates designated by the transferee (the aggregate number of Class E Certificates being equal to the aggregate number of Class E Certificates represented by the beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate or Regulation S Global Class E Certificate to be transferred) and in the authorized minimum number of the Class E Certificates and integral multiples specified in Section 2.5. Any purported transfer in violation of this provision shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(iii) Certificated Class E Certificate to Class E Certificate in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Security or Regulation S Global

Security. If a Holder of a Certificated Class E Certificate wishes at any time to transfer such Certificated Class E Certificate to a person that is not a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) in an offshore transaction in reliance on Regulation S, such Person shall take delivery thereof in the form of an interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate or Regulation S Global Class E Certificate. Upon receipt by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent of (A) such Certificated Class E Certificate properly endorsed for such transfer, and written instructions from such Holder directing the Class E Certificate Paying Agent to cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate or Regulation S Global Class E Certificate representing a number of Class E Certificates equal to the number of Class E Certificates transferred of such Certificated Class E Certificate, (B) a written order containing information regarding the Euroclear or Clearstream account to be credited with such increase and (C) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-2 attached hereto, given by the Holder of such Certificated Class E Certificate stating that the exchange or transfer of such interest has been made in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate or Regulation S Global Class E Certificate, including that the proposed transferee or the person requesting such exchange, as the case may be, is not a U.S. person and that the proposed transfer is being made pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S, then the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall cancel such Certificated Class E Certificate in accordance with Section 2.11, record the transfer in the Class E Certificates Register in accordance with Section 2.7(a) and instruct the Depositary to increase the number of Class E Certificates represented by the Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate or Regulation S Global Class E Certificate by the number of Class E Certificates to be transferred, and to credit or cause to be credited to the account of the Person specified in such instructions a beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate or Regulation S Global Class E Certificate equal to the amount specified in the instructions received pursuant to clause (A) above. Notwithstanding anything else in this Section 2.7(g)(iii), prior to the Exchange Date a Certificated Class E Certificate may only be exchanged or transferred for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificate.

(iv) Certificated Class E Certificates to Certificated Class E Certificates. If a Holder of Class E Certificates in the form of Certificated Class E Certificates wishes at any time to transfer such Class E Certificates to a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S), such Holder may transfer or cause the transfer of such Class E Certificates in the form of Class E Certificates represented by one or more Certificated Class E Certificates as provided below. Upon receipt by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent or Class E Certificate Registrar of (A) such Holder's Certificated Class E Certificate properly endorsed for assignment to the transferee, (B) a properly completed transfer certificate in the form of Exhibit B-1 attached hereto (together with all applicable properly completed attachments thereto) delivered by the proposed transferee of the Class



E Certificate, and (C) to the extent required pursuant to Section 2.3 or such certificate, an Opinion of Counsel, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall cancel such Certificated Class E Certificate in accordance with Section 2.11 and advise the Class E Certificate Registrar of such transfer and cancellation, the Class E Certificate Registrar shall record the transfer and cancellation in the Class E Certificate Register in accordance with Section 2.7(a) and, upon execution by or for and on behalf of the Issuer, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall deliver one or more Certificated Class E Certificates representing in the aggregate the number of the Class E Certificates transferred by the transferor, and in the authorized minimum number of the Class E Certificates and integral multiples specified in Section 2.5. After giving effect to such transfer, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall deliver Certificated Class E Certificates to the transferor representing the number, if any, of the Class E Certificates represented by the cancelled Certificated Class E Certificates (prior to such transfer) that were retained by such transferor.

(v) Exchange of Class E Certificates. If a Holder of one or more Certificated Class E Certificates wishes at any time to exchange any or all such Class E Certificates for one or more Class E Certificates representing in the aggregate the same number of Class E Certificates as are represented by the Class E Certificate(s) to be exchanged, such Holder may exchange or cause the exchange of such Class E Certificate(s) as provided below. Upon receipt by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent or the Class E Certificate Registrar of (A) such Holder's Class E Certificate(s) properly endorsed for such exchange and (B) written instructions from such Holder designating the number of the Certificated Class E Certificates to be issued and the number of the Class E Certificates to be represented by each such Certificated Class E Certificates (the aggregate number of such Class E Certificates being equal to the number of the Class E Certificates surrendered for exchange), the Class E Certificate Paying Agent or the Class E Certificate Registrar shall cancel such surrendered Class E Certificate(s) in accordance with Section 2.11, record the exchange in the Class E Certificate Register in accordance with Section 2.7(a) and shall instruct the Issuer to execute the Certificated Class E Certificates and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall authenticate and deliver one or more Certificated Class E Certificates representing in the aggregate the same number of Class E Certificates as are represented by the Class E Certificate(s) endorsed for exchange, registered in the same names as the Class E Certificate(s) surrendered by such Holder, and each in the authorized minimum number of the Class E Certificates and integral multiples specified in Section 2.5.

(vi) Issuance of Class E Certificates Upon Exchange of Class Q-1 or Class P Securities. If a Holder of Class Q-1 Securities or Class P Securities exchanges such securities for their respective components in accordance with the Indenture, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall deliver the applicable Certificated Class E Certificates (upon execution thereof by the Issuer) and/or instruct the Depositary to increase the number of Class E Certificates represented

by the Temporary Regulation S Global Class E Certificates or Regulations S Global Class E Certificates, as applicable, in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture.

(h) Each initial purchaser of Certificated Class E Certificates, and after the Closing Date, each Person that becomes a Holder of a Certificated Class E Certificate shall be required to deliver to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent a transfer certificate in the form of Exhibit B-1 hereto (with appropriate modifications in the case of a transfer that is a mortgage, charge, pledge or hypothecation or other appropriate modifications acceptable to the Issuer) in which it shall represent and agree as set forth therein.

(i) The Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall not be responsible for ascertaining whether any transfer complies with, or for otherwise monitoring or determining compliance with, the requirements or terms of the Securities Act, Investment Company Act, applicable state securities laws, ERISA or the Code; except that if a transfer certificate or Opinion of Counsel is specifically required by the terms of Section 2.3 or this Section 2.7 to be provided to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine whether it conforms substantially on its face to the applicable requirements of this Section 2.7.

(j) The Class E Certificates shall be subject to the provisions of Section 2.4 of the Indenture relating to Maturity Extensions and the provisions of Section 9.6 of the Indenture relating to Amendment Buy-Outs. In addition, Directing Class E Certificates are subject to purchase under the terms and conditions set forth in Section 12(c) of the Management Agreement.

(k) Any purported transfer of a Class E Certificate not in accordance with this Section 2.7 shall be null and void ab initio and shall not be given effect for any purpose hereunder.

Section 2.8 Mutilated, Defaced, Destroyed, Lost or Stolen Class E Certificates. If (a) any mutilated or defaced Class E Certificate is surrendered to the Class E Certificate Registrar or if there shall be delivered to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent and the Class E Certificate Registrar evidence to their reasonable satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of any Class E Certificate, and (b) there is delivered to the Issuer, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent and the Class E Certificate Registrar such security or indemnity as may be reasonably satisfactory to them to save each of them harmless, then, in the absence of notice to the Issuer, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent or the Class E Certificate Registrar that the Class E Certificates or interest therein have been acquired by a bona fide or protected purchaser, the Issuer shall execute and, upon Issuer Request, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall deliver, in exchange for or in lieu of any such mutilated, defaced, destroyed, lost or stolen Class E Certificate, a new Class E Certificate, of like tenor (including the same date of issuance) and representing the same number of Class E Certificates, registered in the same manner, dated the date of its issuance and bearing a number not contemporaneously outstanding.

If, after delivery of such new Class E Certificate, a bona fide or protected purchaser of the predecessor Class E Certificate presents for payment, transfer or exchange such predecessor Class E Certificate, the Issuer, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent and the Class E Certificate Registrar shall be entitled to recover such new Class E Certificate from the Person to whom it was delivered or any Person taking title therefrom, except a bona fide or protected purchaser, to amend the Class E Certificate Register accordingly, and shall be entitled to recover upon the security or indemnity provided therefor to the extent of any loss, damage, cost or expense incurred by the Issuer, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent and the Class E Certificate Registrar in connection therewith. If any such mutilated, defaced, destroyed, lost or stolen Class E Certificate shall have been called for redemption in full, instead of issuing a new Class E Certificate, the Issuer may redeem such Class E Certificates without surrender thereof, except that any mutilated or defaced Class E Certificate shall be surrendered.

Upon the issuance of any new Class E Certificate under this Section 2.8, the Issuer, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent or the Class E Certificate Registrar may require the payment by the registered Holder thereof of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation thereto.

The provisions of this Section 2.8 are exclusive and shall preclude (to the extent lawful) all other rights and remedies with respect to the replacement or payment of mutilated, defaced, destroyed, lost or stolen Class E Certificate Certificates.

**Section 2.9 Class E Certificate Distribution Accounts; Dividends and any Final Distribution on Class E Certificates.**

(a) (i) Establishment of Class E Certificate Distribution Account. The Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall, prior to the Closing Date, establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account, designated as the “Class E Certificates Distribution Account,” which shall be in the name of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent for the benefit of the Issuer and over which the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On each Payment Date and the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date and on any other relevant date, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall deposit into the Class E Certificate Distribution Account the amounts received from the Trustee that are payable to the Class E Certificateholders pursuant to the Priority of Payments. Any and all funds at any time on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Class E Certificate Distribution Account and not being disbursed for payment shall be invested by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent for the benefit of the Issuer in Eligible Investments designated by a Majority of Class E Certificateholders and having stated maturities no later than the Business Day immediately preceding the next Payment Date. Payments shall be made from the Class E Certificate Distribution Account only in accordance with the provisions set forth below. The Class E Certificate Paying Agent or its Affiliates are permitted to receive additional compensation that could be deemed to be in the Class E Certificate Paying Agent’s economic self-interest for (i) serving as investment adviser, administrator, shareholder, servicing agent, custodian or sub-custodian with respect to certain of the Eligible

Investments, (ii) using Affiliates to effect transactions in certain Eligible Investments and (iii) effecting transactions in certain Eligible Investments

(b) Payment of Dividends to the Class E Certificateholders. On each Payment Date or other relevant date other than the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall distribute to the Class E Certificateholders, pro rata according to the number of Class E Certificates held by each such Class E Certificateholder, a dividend from amounts, if any, available for such purpose and on deposit in the Class E Certificate Distribution Account; provided, that the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall transfer to the Trustee (or otherwise arrange for the Trustee to distribute) the applicable pro rata portion of such dividend payable (x) to the Holder of Class E Certificates represented by the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component for deposit into the Class P-1 Collection Account and (y) to the Holder of Class E Certificates represented by the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component for deposit into the Class P-2 Collection Account. Notwithstanding the foregoing, distributions to the Class E Certificateholders on any such Payment Date or other relevant date out of amounts on deposit in the Class E Certificate Distribution Account (i) shall be subject to the Issuer being solvent under Cayman Islands law (defined as the Issuer being able to pay its debts as they become due in the ordinary course of business) immediately prior to, and after giving effect to, such payment and (ii) in the case of a dividend made on a date other than the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date, shall be made only to the extent that the Issuer has sufficient Class E Certificate Surplus out of which to make such payment, in each case immediately prior to, and after giving effect to, such distribution. If the conditions set forth in either clause (i) or clause (ii) above are not satisfied with respect to any portion of the Class E Certificate Dividend Amount, such portion of such amount shall not be paid on the Class E Certificates and shall be held by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent on behalf of the Issuer until the first succeeding Payment Date upon which both such conditions are satisfied (as notified by the Issuer to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent). The amounts distributable to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent for deposit into the Class E Certificate Distribution Account shall be subordinate to the payment of interest on the Notes and certain other amounts payable in accordance with the Priority of Payments. To the extent available, distributions shall be made first out of Distributable Profits for the current Interest Period, then out of Distributable Profits in excess of dividends for prior Interest Periods and then out of Class E Certificate Premium. The Issuer shall notify the Class E Certificate Paying Agent in writing not less than two Business Days prior to the related Payment Date in the event that the Issuer is not solvent, or would become insolvent after dividends or other distributions are paid on such Payment Date, or if there is not enough Class E Certificate Surplus to pay such dividends or other distributions.

(c) Distribution of the Class E Certificate Redemption Price. On the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall distribute to the Class E Certificateholders pro rata according to the number of Class E Certificates held by each Class E Certificateholder the Class E Certificate Redemption Price with respect to the Class E Certificates; provided, that the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall transfer to the Trustee (or otherwise arrange for the Trustee to

distribute) the applicable pro rata portion of such Class E Certificate Redemption Price payable (x) to the Holder of Class E Certificates represented by the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component in respect of such Class E Certificates for deposit into the Class P-1 Collection Account and (y) to the Holder of Class E Certificates represented by the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component in respect of such Class E Certificates for deposit into the Class P-2 Collection Account. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the distribution of the Class E Certificate Redemption Price shall be subject to the Issuer being solvent under Cayman Islands law (defined as the Issuer being able to pay its debts as they become due in the ordinary course of business) immediately prior to, and after giving effect to, such payment. For purposes of this subsection (c), a determination as to whether the Issuer is solvent on the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date shall be made by the Issuer (A) after giving effect to any payments to be made on the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date and (B) in light of the fact that the obligations of the Issuer to the Noteholders, the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator and the other Persons subject to the Priority of Payments are limited in recourse to the Collateral, and not to (i) amounts in the Class E Certificate Distribution Account or (ii) any other amounts released from the Collateral in accordance with the Indenture and held by or on behalf of the Issuer for the benefit of the Class E Certificateholders, and that after the assets in the Collateral are exhausted, such parties shall have no further claim against the Issuer. If such condition is not satisfied on the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date with respect to any portion of the Class E Certificate Redemption Price, such portion shall not be paid on the Class E Certificates until the first succeeding Business Day upon which such condition is satisfied as notified by the Issuer to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent and the amounts so retained in the Class E Certificate Distribution Account shall be held for the benefit of the Issuer until such amounts are paid. The Issuer shall notify the Class E Certificate Paying Agent in writing not less than two Business Days prior to the related Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date in the event that the Issuer is not solvent.

(d) Notice of Attachment. The Class E Certificate Paying Agent agrees to give each of the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager immediate notice if the Class E Certificate Distribution Account or any funds on deposit therein, or otherwise to the credit of the Class E Certificate Distribution Account, shall become subject to any writ, order, judgment, warrant of attachment, execution or similar process. In addition, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall provide notice to each of the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager in the event that any portion of the Class E Certificate Dividend Amount or Class E Certificate Redemption Price is not distributed to the Class E Certificateholders. Neither the Class E Certificate Paying Agent nor the Class E Certificate Registrar shall have any legal, equitable or beneficial interest in the Class E Certificate Distribution Account or any amounts on deposit therein.

(e) Payments to Holders of Class E Certificates. All payments of dividends and any final distribution on any Class E Certificate shall be made in United States dollars to the Holder or its nominee, by wire transfer, as directed by the Holder, in immediately available funds; provided that if appropriate instructions for any such wire transfer are not received at least five (5) Business Days prior to the relevant Payment

Date, then such payment shall be made by check drawn on a United States bank mailed to the address of the Holder specified in the Class E Certificate Register as of the Record Date applicable to such Payment Date; provided, that payment of dividends and any final distribution on Class E Certificates represented by the Class P-1 Class E Certificate Component or the Class P-2 Class E Certificate Component, as applicable, shall be made by transfer to the Trustee for deposit (or by the Trustee directly depositing) such amounts into the Class P-1 Collection Account or the Class P-2 Collection Account, as applicable. A record of each payment made in respect of the Class E Certificates shall be maintained by or on behalf of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent in accordance with its customary procedures, and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Issuer and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall be fully protected relying upon any wire transfer instructions received from a Class E Certificateholder as described above in this clause (e) in making payments in accordance herewith on the Class E Certificates, and any payment transmitted in accordance with such instructions to Holders of the Class E Certificates in whose names such Class E Certificates were registered at the close of business on the preceding Record Date shall be deemed to have been made upon transmission thereof to the banking institution identified in such instructions. Subject to Section 6.4 hereof or as otherwise expressly provided herein, the final payment on any Class E Certificate, however, shall be made only upon presentation and surrender of the applicable Class E Certificate at the office or agency specified in the notice of final payment mailed to the Holders of the Class E Certificates, including the office of any paying agent specified in such notice.

(f) If any payment on the Class E Certificates is due on a day that is not a Business Day, then payment shall be made on the next succeeding Business Day with the same force and effect as if made on the date for payment.

(g) All payments by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent hereunder shall be made without charging any commission or fee to the Holders of the Class E Certificates.

Section 2.10 Persons Deemed Owners. The Issuer, the Class E Certificate Registrar and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall deem and treat any Class E Certificateholder registered in the Class E Certificate Register as the absolute owner of such Class E Certificate, notwithstanding any notation of ownership or other writing on any Class E Certificate, for the purpose of receiving dividends thereon and the Class E Certificate Redemption Price thereof and for all other purposes, and none of the Issuer, the Class E Certificate Registrar or the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall be affected by any notice to the contrary. All such payments so made to such Class E Certificateholder or upon such Class E Certificateholder's order shall be valid and, to the extent of the sum or sums so paid, effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability for the monies payable upon any such Class E Certificate. All notices and communications to be given to the Holders and all payments to be made to Holders in respect of the Class E Certificates shall be given or made only to or upon the order of the registered Holders determined as of (i) the relevant Record Date, in the case of payments, or (ii) any other

date of determination selected by the Issuer or the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, as applicable, in the case of notices and communications.

Section 2.11 Cancellation. Any Class E Certificate surrendered for redemption, registration of transfer or exchange or deemed destroyed, lost or stolen shall, if surrendered to any Person other than the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, be delivered to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent and shall be promptly canceled by it (and notification thereof shall be given to the Class E Certificate Registrar), and any Class E Certificates which have been redeemed by the Issuer may not be reissued or resold. Any canceled Class E Certificate held by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall be handled by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent in accordance with its standard retention policy unless the Issuer shall direct by an Issuer Order that it be returned to it. Upon redemption of any Class E Certificates, the name of the Holder thereof in respect of such Class E Certificates shall be removed from the Class E Certificate Register, and such Class E Certificateholder shall cease to be entitled to any rights in respect thereof except the right to receive the Class E Certificate Redemption Price and any dividend which was due and payable on or prior to the date of such redemption.

Section 2.12 Required Sale of Class E Certificates by Holder Upon Occurrence of Certain Circumstances. (a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, any transfer to a Holder of a Class E Certificate who (i) is a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) that is determined not to have been both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer or an Accredited Investor and (y) a Qualified Purchaser or Knowledgeable Employee or (ii) is a non-U.S. person that is determined not to have acquired the Class E Certificate in compliance with Regulation S at the time of acquisition of such Class E Certificate or (iii) has made a false representation with respect to any of the matters described in its representations in its transfer certificate or its deemed representations under Section 2.4, as applicable (any such Person, a “Non-Permitted Holder”) shall be null and void ab initio and any such purported transfer of which the Issuer, the Class E Certificate Registrar or the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall have written notice or a Responsible Officer of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent has actual knowledge may be disregarded by the Issuer, the Class E Certificate Registrar and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent for all purposes. The Issuer shall be entitled to require any Non-Permitted Holder to sell such interest within 30 days after receipt of notice to a Qualified Transferee who makes such acknowledgments, representations and agreements required to be made and delivers such certificates and opinions required to be delivered by a transferee of an interest in a Class E Certificate pursuant to Section 2.7. If such Non-Permitted Holder fails to effect the sale within such 30-day period, the Issuer may cause such Non-Permitted Holder’s interest in the Class E Certificates to be transferred as provided herein to a Qualified Transferee that certifies to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent and the Issuer that such Person is a Qualified Transferee, together with such acknowledgments, representations and agreements required to be made and delivers such certificates and opinions required to be delivered by a transferee of an interest in a Class E Certificate pursuant to Section 2.7. No payments shall be made with respect to such Class E Certificate from the date notice of the sale requirement is sent to the date on which the interest is sold. The Issuer shall also be entitled not to honor a transfer of an interest a

Class E Certificate to a transferee that the Issuer believes is not a Qualified Transferee. In connection therewith, the Issuer shall also be entitled to require any Holder of a Class E Certificate to certify, upon request by the Issuer, whether such Holder is (i) a U.S. Person and was both (x) either a Qualified Institutional Buyer or an Accredited Investor and (y) either a Qualified Purchaser or Knowledgeable Employee at the time of acquisition thereof or (ii) is a non-U.S. Person and was a non-U.S. person at the time of acquisition thereof. The Issuer shall be entitled to assume that any Holder of a Class E Certificate that does not respond to such request is a Non-Permitted Holder. In the event that the Issuer causes the sale of the applicable Class E Certificates following failure of the Holder thereof to do so within the prescribed 30-day period, as described in Section 2.12(a) hereof, the Issuer may select a purchaser by any means determined by it in its sole discretion. The proceeds of such sale, net of any commissions, expenses and taxes due in connection with such sale shall be remitted to such prior Holder of the Class E Certificates. The terms and conditions of any sale under this subsection shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer, and neither the Issuer nor the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall be liable to any Person having the Class E Certificates or interests therein sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of such discretion. Each Holder of a Class E Certificate shall be required to acknowledge and agree to the Issuer's entitlement to require any sale in connection with the circumstances described in this Section 2.12 and shall be required to agree to cooperate with such sale.

### ARTICLE III

#### THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE PAYING AGENT

Section 3.1 Certain Duties and Responsibilities. (a) The Class E Certificate Paying Agent undertakes to perform such duties and only such duties as are specifically set forth in this Agreement and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Agreement against the Class E Certificate Paying Agent.

(b) In the absence of willful misconduct, gross negligence or reckless disregard of obligations on its part, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements and the correctness of the opinions expressed therein, upon certificates or opinions furnished to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent and conforming to the requirements of this Agreement; provided, however, that in the case of any such certificates or opinions which by any provision hereof are specifically required to be furnished to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall be under a duty to examine the certificates and opinions to determine whether or not they conform on their face to the requirements of this Agreement, and shall promptly, but in any event within three (3) Business Days in the case of an Officer's Certificate furnished by the Issuer, notify the party delivering the same if such certificate or opinion does not so conform. If a corrected certificate or opinion shall not have been delivered to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent within 15 days after such notice from the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall so notify the Holders of the Class E Certificates.



(c) No provision of this Agreement shall be construed to relieve the Class E Certificate Paying Agent from liability for its own gross negligent action, its own gross negligent failure to act, or its own willful misconduct, except that:

(i) this subclause (c) does not limit the effect of subclause (a) or (b) of this Section 3.1;

(ii) the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by a Responsible Officer unless the Class E Certificate Paying Agent was grossly negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts; and

(iii) the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall not be liable with respect to any action it takes or omits to take in good faith in accordance with the direction of the Issuer and/or the Class E Certificateholders to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent in accordance with this Agreement under circumstances in which such direction is required or permitted by the terms of this Agreement.

(d) No provision of this Agreement shall require the Class E Certificate Paying Agent to expend or risk its own funds or incur any financial liability in the performance of any of its duties hereunder, or in the exercise of any of its rights or powers, if it shall have reasonable grounds to believe that repayment of such funds or indemnity against such risk or liability is not reasonably assured to it unless such risk or liability relates to the performance of its ordinary services under this Agreement. In no event shall the Class E Certificate Paying Agent be liable under or in connection with this Agreement for special, indirect or consequential loss or damage (including, but not limited to, lost profits), even if the Class E Certificate Paying Agent has been advised of the likelihood of such damage and regardless of the form of action taken.

(e) Whether or not therein expressly so provided, every provision of this Agreement relating to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall be subject to the provisions of this Section 3.1 and Section 3.2 hereof.

Section 3.2 Rights of Class E Certificate Paying Agent. Except as otherwise provided in Section 3.1:

(a) the Class E Certificate Paying Agent may rely conclusively and shall be fully protected in acting or refraining from acting upon any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, bond, note or other paper or document believed by it in good faith to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties;

(b) any request, consent or direction of the Issuer mentioned herein shall be sufficiently evidenced by an Issuer Order, and any request, consent or direction from the Portfolio Manager mentioned herein shall be sufficiently evidenced by a written request or direction from, or consented to or approved by, an authorized officer of the Portfolio Manager;

(c) whenever in the administration of this Agreement the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall deem it desirable that a matter be proved or established prior to taking, suffering or omitting any action hereunder, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent (unless other evidence be herein specifically prescribed) may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely conclusively upon an Officer's Certificate;

(d) as a condition to the taking or omitting of any action by it hereunder, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent may consult with counsel of its own selection and the advice of such counsel or any Opinion of Counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection in respect of any action taken or omitted by it hereunder in good faith and in reliance thereon;

(e) the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall be under no obligation to exercise any of the rights or powers vested in it by this Agreement or to honor the request or direction of any of the Class E Certificateholders pursuant to this Agreement unless such Class E Certificateholders shall have offered to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent reasonable security or indemnity satisfactory to it against the costs, expenses and liabilities which might reasonably be incurred by it in compliance with such request or direction;

(f) the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall not be bound to make any investigation into the facts or matters stated in any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, bond, note, other paper or document, but the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, in its discretion, may and, upon the written direction of a Majority of the Class E Certificates, shall make such further inquiry or investigation into such facts or matters as it may see fit or as it shall be directed at the sole expense of the Issuer, and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall incur no liability or additional liability of any kind by any reason of such inquiry or investigation, and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall be entitled, on reasonable request made in advance to the Issuer, to examine the books and records of the Issuer relating to the Class E Certificates and the Eligible Investments in the Class E Certificate Distribution Account, personally or by agent or attorney during normal business hours; provided, that the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall, and shall cause its agents to, hold in confidence all such information, except to the extent disclosure may be required by law or by any regulatory or judicial authority and except to the extent that the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, in its sole judgment, may determine that such disclosure is consistent with its obligations hereunder;

(g) the Class E Certificate Paying Agent may execute any of the trusts or powers hereunder or perform any duties hereunder either directly or by or through agents or attorneys and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent may employ or retain such accountants, appraisers or other experts or advisors as it may reasonably require for the purpose of determining and discharging its rights and duties hereunder; and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall not be responsible for any misconduct or gross negligence on the part of any agent or advisor appointed or retained, or attorney appointed, with due care by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent hereunder;

(h) the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall not be deemed to have notice or knowledge of any matter unless a Responsible Officer within the Corporate Trust Office has actual knowledge thereof or unless written notice thereof is received by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent at the Corporate Trust Office and such notice references the Class E Certificates generally, the Issuer or this Agreement;

(i) to the extent permitted by applicable law, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall not be required to give any bond or surety in respect of the execution of this Agreement or otherwise;

(j) the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall not be liable for any action it takes or omits to take in good faith that it reasonably believes to be authorized or within its discretion, rights or powers hereunder; and

(k) the rights, privileges, protections and benefits given to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, including, without limitation, its rights to be indemnified, are extended on the same terms to, and shall be enforceable by, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent in each of its capacities hereunder and each agent, custodian and other Person employed with due care by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent to act hereunder.

(i) the enumeration of any permissible right or power herein available to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall not be construed to be the imposition of a duty.

Section 3.3 Class E Certificate Paying Agent May Own Class E Certificates. The Class E Certificate Paying Agent and the Class E Certificate Registrar, in their respective individual capacities or any other capacity, may become the owner or pledgee of Class E Certificates and may otherwise deal with the Issuer or any of its Affiliates with the same rights it would have if it were not the Class E Certificate Paying Agent or the Class E Certificate Registrar.

Section 3.4 Class E Certificate Paying Agent's Disclaimer. The Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall not be responsible for and, except as set forth in Section 3.14, makes no representations as to the validity or adequacy of this Agreement or any related documents. It shall not be accountable for the use by the Issuer of the proceeds from the Class E Certificates, it shall not be responsible for any statement of the Issuer in this Agreement or in any document issued in connection with the sale of the Class E Certificates or in the Class E Certificates and it shall in no event assume or incur any liability, duty or obligation to any Class E Certificateholder, other than as expressly provided in this Agreement or by law. Under no circumstances shall the Class E Certificate Paying Agent be liable for indebtedness evidenced by or arising under any of the Class E Certificate Documents, including the amounts payable on the Class E Certificates.

Section 3.5 Money Held in Trust. Money held by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall be held in trust hereunder in a segregated account. The Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall be under no liability for interest on any Money received by

it hereunder except as otherwise agreed upon with the Issuer and except to the extent of income or other gain on investments which are deposits in or certificates of deposit of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent in its commercial capacity and income or other gain actually received by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent on amounts on deposit in the Class E Certificate Distribution Account.

Section 3.6 Compensation; Reimbursement; Indemnity. (a) The Issuer agrees, subject to the Priority of Payments under the Indenture:

(i) to pay the Class E Certificate Paying Agent on each Payment Date reasonable compensation as shall be set forth in a separate letter agreement for all services, including custodial services, rendered by it hereunder in accordance with the Priority of Payments;

(ii) except as otherwise expressly provided herein and in accordance with the Priority of Payments, to reimburse the Class E Certificate Paying Agent in a timely manner upon its request for all reasonable expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or made by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent in accordance with any provision of this Agreement or in the enforcement of any provision hereof (including securities transaction charges) and the reasonable compensation and the expenses incurred by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent including, without limitation, any legal counsel, investment banking firm, accounting firm or any other agent employed by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent pursuant to this Agreement and disbursements of its agents and counsel);

(iii) to pay or to reimburse the Class E Certificate Paying Agent for its payment of the fees of any accounting firm or investment banking firm employed by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent as provided herein; and

(iv) to indemnify fully and hold harmless each of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, its directors, officers, employees and agents for, and to hold each of them harmless against, any claims, loss, liability, damages, costs or expense (including without limitation, reasonable counsel fees and expenses) incurred without gross negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of this Agreement, including the costs and expenses of defense against any claim or liability in connection with the exercise or performance of any of its powers or duties hereunder.

(b) If on any date when a fee or expense shall be payable to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent pursuant to this Agreement insufficient funds are available for the payment thereof in accordance with the Priority of Payments, any portion of a fee or expense not so paid shall be deferred and payable on such later date on which a fee or expense shall be payable and sufficient funds are available therefor.

(c) The provisions of this Section 3.6 shall survive the termination of this Agreement and the resignation or removal of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent under this Agreement.

Fees applicable to periods shorter or longer than a calendar quarterly period shall be prorated based on the number of days within such period. The Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall receive amounts pursuant to this Section 3.6 only to the extent that the payment thereof will not result in an Event of Default under the Indenture and the failure to pay such amounts to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall not, by itself, constitute an Event of Default under the Indenture.

Section 3.7 Eligibility; Disqualification. The Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall (a) be a Person organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America or of any state thereof, (b) be authorized under such laws to exercise corporate trust powers, (c) have an office in the United States, (d) have a combined capital and surplus of at least \$200,000,000 and be subject to supervision or examination by federal or state authorities, and (e) have (or have a parent which has) a long-term unsecured debt or deposit rating of at least "Baa1" by Moody's, "BBB+" by Standard & Poor's. If such Person shall publish reports of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or to the requirements of the aforesaid supervising or examining authority, then for the purpose of this Section 3.7, the combined capital and surplus of such Person shall be deemed to be its combined capital and surplus as set forth in its most recent report of condition so published. If at any time the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall cease to be eligible in accordance with the provisions of this Section 3.7, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall resign immediately in the manner and with the effect specified in Section 3.8.

Section 3.8 Resignation and Removal; Appointment of Successor. (a) No resignation or removal of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent and no appointment of a successor Class E Certificate Paying Agent pursuant to this Article III shall become effective until the acceptance of appointment by the successor Class E Certificate Paying Agent under Section 3.9. The indemnifications in favor of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent in Section 3.6 shall survive any resignation or removal of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent and the termination of this Agreement (to the extent of any indemnified liabilities, costs, expenses and other amounts arising or incurred prior to, or arising out of actions or omissions occurring prior to, such resignation, removal or termination).

(b) The Class E Certificate Paying Agent may resign at any time by giving 30 days' prior written notice thereof to the Issuer, the Class E Certificateholders, the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager.

(c) The Class E Certificate Paying Agent may be removed at any time by a Majority of the Class E Certificates upon written notice thereof to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager.

(d) If at any time:

- (i) the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall cease to be eligible under Section 3.7 and shall fail to resign after written request therefor by the Issuer or by any Class E Certificateholder; or
- (ii) the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall become incapable of acting; or
- (iii) a court having jurisdiction in the premises in respect of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent in an involuntary case or proceeding under any federal or state banking or bankruptcy laws, as now or hereafter constituted, or any other applicable federal or state bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law, shall have entered a decree or order granting relief or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, custodian, trustee, conservator, sequestrator (or similar official) for the Class E Certificate Paying Agent or for any substantial part of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent's property, or ordering the winding-up or liquidation of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent's affairs; provided any such decree or order shall have continued unstayed and in effect for a period of thirty (30) consecutive days; or
- (iv) the Class E Certificate Paying Agent commences a voluntary case under any federal or state banking or bankruptcy laws, as now or hereafter constituted, or any other applicable federal or state bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law, or consents to the appointment of or taking possession by a receiver, liquidator, assignee, custodian, trustee, conservator, sequestrator (or other similar official) for the Class E Certificate Paying Agent or for any substantial part of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent's property, or makes any assignment for the benefit of its creditors or fails generally to pay its debts as such debts become due or takes any corporate action in furtherance of any of the foregoing;

then, in any such case, (A) the Issuer, by Issuer Order, may remove the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent hereby agrees to resign immediately in the manner and with the effect provided in this Section 3.8 or (B) any Class E Certificateholder may, on behalf of itself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent and the appointment of a successor Class E Certificate Paying Agent.

(e) If the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall resign, be removed or become incapable of acting, or if a vacancy shall occur in the office of the Class E

Certificate Paying Agent for any cause, the Issuer, by Issuer Order, shall promptly appoint a successor Class E Certificate Paying Agent with the consent of a Majority of the Class E Certificateholders. If no successor Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall have been so appointed and shall have accepted appointment in the manner hereinafter provided within thirty (30) days after such removal or vacancy, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent or any Class E Certificateholder may, on behalf of itself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Class E Certificate Paying Agent meeting the standards set forth in Section 3.7 hereof.

(f) The Issuer shall give prompt notice of each resignation and each removal of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent and each appointment of a successor Class E Certificate Paying Agent by mailing written notice of such event by first class mail, postage prepaid, to the Portfolio Manager, to S&P and to the Class E Certificateholders as their names and addresses appear in the Class E Certificate Register. Each notice shall include, if known, the name of the successor Class E Certificate Paying Agent and the address of its Corporate Trust Office.

Section 3.9 Acceptance of Appointment by Successor. Every successor Class E Certificate Paying Agent appointed hereunder shall be required to meet the eligibility requirements set forth in Section 3.7 and shall execute, acknowledge and deliver to the Issuer and the retiring Class E Certificate Paying Agent an instrument accepting such appointment, and thereupon, the resignation or removal of the retiring Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall become effective and such successor Class E Certificate Paying Agent, without any other act, deed or conveyance, shall become vested with all the rights, powers, trusts, duties and obligations of the retiring Class E Certificate Paying Agent, but, on request of the Issuer, a Majority of the Class E Certificates or the successor Class E Certificate Paying Agent, such retiring Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall, upon payment of its fees and expenses then due, execute and deliver an instrument transferring to such successor Class E Certificate Paying Agent all the rights, powers and trusts of the retiring Class E Certificate Paying Agent, and shall duly assign, transfer and deliver to such successor Class E Certificate Paying Agent all property and Money held by such retiring Class E Certificate Paying Agent hereunder. Upon request of any such successor Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Issuer shall execute any and all instruments for more fully and certainly vesting in and confirming to such successor Class E Certificate Paying Agent all such rights, powers and trusts.

Upon acceptance of appointment by a successor Class E Certificate Paying Agent as provided in this Section 3.9, the Issuer shall mail notice thereof by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the Holders of the Class E Certificates at their last addresses appearing upon the Class E Certificate Register, to the Trustee, the retiring Class E Certificate Paying Agent and the Portfolio Manager. If the Issuer fails to mail such notice within ten (10) Business Days after acceptance of appointment by the successor Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the successor Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall cause such notice to be mailed at the expense of the Issuer.

Section 3.10 Merger, Conversion, Consolidation or Succession to Business of Class E Certificate Paying Agent. Any Person into which the Class E Certificate Paying Agent may be merged or with which it may be consolidated, or any Person resulting from any merger or consolidation to which the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall be a party, or any Person succeeding to all or substantially all the corporate trust business of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent (a “Change of Control”), shall be the successor of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent under this Agreement; provided, however, that such Person shall be eligible under the provisions of Section 3.7, without the execution or filing of any instrument or any further act on the part of any of the parties to this Agreement, anything in this Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding.

Section 3.11 Withholding. If any withholding tax is imposed on the Issuer’s payment (or allocations of current or previously accrued income) under the Class E Certificates to any Class E Certificateholder, such tax shall reduce the amount otherwise distributable to such Class E Certificateholder. The Class E Certificate Paying Agent is hereby authorized and directed if required by law to retain from amounts otherwise distributable to any Class E Certificateholder sufficient funds for the payment of any withholding tax that is legally owed by the Issuer, or required by law to be withheld by the Issuer or the Class E Certificate Paying Agent (but such authorization shall not prevent the Class E Certificate Paying Agent from contesting any such tax in appropriate Proceedings and withholding payment of such tax, if permitted by law, pending the outcome of such Proceedings). The amount of any withholding tax imposed with respect to any Class E Certificateholder shall be treated as cash distributed to such Class E Certificateholder at the time it is withheld by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent and remitted to the appropriate taxing authority and shall reduce the amount of the next distribution(s) made to the Class E Certificateholder to the extent thereof. If there is a possibility that withholding tax is payable with respect to a distribution, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent may in its sole discretion withhold such amounts in accordance with this Section 3.11. If any Class E Certificateholder wishes to apply for a refund of any such withholding tax, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall provide to such Class E Certificateholder any information with respect to such withholding tax reasonably available to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent so long as such Class E Certificateholder agrees to reimburse the Class E Certificate Paying Agent for any out-of-pocket expenses incurred. Nothing herein shall impose an obligation on the part of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent to determine the amount of any tax or withholding obligation on the part of the Issuer or in respect of the Class E Certificates. Each Holder, by its acceptance of Class E Certificates, agrees to provide any tax certification requested by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent or the Issuer to permit the Issuer to make payments to Holders without, or at a reduced rate of, withholding. The Class E Certificate Paying Agent hereby provides notice to each Class E Certificateholder that the failure of any such Class E Certificateholder to provide the Class E Certificate Paying Agent with appropriate tax certifications may result in amounts being withheld from payments to such Class E Certificateholder under this Agreement (provided that amounts withheld pursuant to applicable tax laws shall be considered as having been paid to them by the Issuer as provided above).



Section 3.12 Non-Petition. The Class E Certificate Paying Agent, by entering into this Agreement, hereby covenants and agrees that it shall not, prior to the date which is one year (or, if longer the then applicable preference period in the relevant jurisdiction) and one day after the termination of the Indenture with respect to the Indenture Securities pursuant to Section 4.1 of the Indenture, acquiesce, petition or otherwise invoke or cause the Issuer to invoke the process of any court or government authority for the purpose of commencing or sustaining a case against the Issuer under any Bankruptcy Law or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, custodian, sequestrator or other similar official of the Issuer or any substantial part of its property, or making a general assignment for the benefit of creditors, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of the affairs of the Issuer, for the purpose of collecting any of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent's fees and expenses. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the other parties hereto agree that the obligations of the Issuer hereunder or arising in connection herewith shall constitute limited recourse obligations of the Issuer payable solely from the Collateral in accordance with the Priority of Payments, and following realization of the Collateral, all obligations of and all claims against the Issuer hereunder or arising in connection herewith shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. Neither the Issuer nor any of its agents, partners, beneficiaries, officers, directors, employees or any Affiliate of any of them or any of their successors or assigns shall be personally liable for any amounts payable, or performance due, under this Agreement. It is understood that the foregoing provisions of this paragraph shall not (i) prevent recourse to the Collateral for the sums due or to become due under any security, instrument or agreement which is part of the Collateral or (ii) constitute a waiver, release or discharge of any indebtedness or obligation arising hereunder until such Collateral has been realized whereupon any outstanding indebtedness or obligation shall be extinguished. It is further understood that the foregoing provisions of this paragraph shall not (a) limit the right of any person to name the Issuer hereunder as a party defendant in any action, suit or in the exercise of any other remedy hereunder, so long as no judgment in the nature of a deficiency judgment or seeking personal liability shall be asked for or (if obtained) enforced against any such person or entity, or (b) preclude, or be deemed to estop, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent from taking any action prior to expiration of the applicable stay period in (x) any case or Proceeding voluntarily filed or commenced by the Issuer or (y) any involuntary insolvency Proceeding filed or commenced against the Issuer by a Person or Persons other than the Class E Certificate Paying Agent or any of its Affiliates. The provisions of this Section 3.12 shall survive the termination of this Agreement and the resignation or removal of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent under this Agreement.

Section 3.13 Assignment of Rights; Not Assumption of Duties. Anything herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding, (a) the Issuer shall remain liable under this Agreement and each of the documents contemplated herein and related hereto to which it is a party to the extent set forth therein to perform all of its duties and obligations thereunder to the same extent as if this Agreement had not been executed, (b) the exercise by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent or any Class E Certificateholder of any of their rights, remedies or powers hereunder shall not release the Issuer from any of its duties or obligations under each of such documents to which it is a party and (c) none of the Class E Certificateholders or the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall have any obligation or

liability under any of such documents to which the Issuer is a party by reason of or arising out of this Agreement, nor shall the Class E Certificateholders or, except as expressly provided herein, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent be obligated to perform any of the obligations or duties of the Issuer thereunder or to take any action to collect or enforce any claim for payment assigned hereunder or otherwise.

Section 3.14 Representations of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent. The Class E Certificate Paying Agent represents and warrants for the benefit of the Holders of the Class E Certificates that:

(a) Organization. The Class E Certificate Paying Agent has been duly organized and is validly existing as a national banking association and has the power to conduct its business and affairs as a Class E Certificate Paying Agent.

(b) Authorization; Binding Obligations. The Class E Certificate Paying Agent has the corporate power and authority to perform the duties and obligations of Paying Agent under this Agreement. The Class E Certificate Paying Agent has taken all necessary corporate action to authorize the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement, and all of the documents required to be executed by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent pursuant hereto. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent. Upon execution and delivery by the Issuer, this Agreement shall constitute the legal, valid and binding obligation of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent enforceable in accordance with its terms, except as such enforcement may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws relating to or affecting the rights of creditors generally, and by general equity principles (regardless of whether such enforcement is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law).

(c) No Conflict. Neither the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement, nor the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, (i) is prohibited by, or requires the Class E Certificate Paying Agent to obtain any consent, authorization, approval or registration under, any law, statute, rule, regulation, or (to the best of its knowledge) judgment, order, writ, injunction or decree that is binding upon the Class E Certificate Paying Agent or any of its properties or assets, or (ii) will violate any provision of, result in any default or acceleration of any obligations under, result in the creation or imposition of any lien pursuant to, or require any consent under, any agreement to which the Class E Certificate Paying Agent is a party or by which it or any of its property is bound which would have a material adverse effect on the rights or interests of any Class E Certificateholder in or under the Class E Certificates or on the Class E Certificate Paying Agent's capacity to perform its obligations hereunder.

(d) No Proceedings. There are no proceedings pending, or to the best knowledge of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, threatened against the Class E Certificate Paying Agent before any federal, state or other governmental agency, authority, administrator or regulatory body, arbitrator, court or other tribunal, foreign or domestic, that would have a material adverse effect on the Collateral or any action taken or to be taken by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent under this Agreement.

## ARTICLE IV

### DELIVERY OF THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE CERTIFICATES; OTHER COVENANTS

Section 4.1 Maintenance of Office or Agency. The Class E Certificates may be presented or surrendered for payment at the Corporate Trust Office of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent. The Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall give prompt written notice to the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and the Class E Certificateholders of any change in the location of any such office or agency.

Section 4.2 Delivery of Copies of Articles and Class E Certificate Paying Agency Agreement. The Issuer shall deliver to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent which shall deliver to each Holder of Class E Certificates upon written request, a copy of the Articles and this Agreement.

#### Section 4.3 Certain Tax Matters.

(a) The Issuer will not elect to be treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes and shall make any election necessary to avoid classification as a partnership or disregarded entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

(b) The Issuer shall file, or cause to be filed, any tax returns, including information tax returns, required by any governmental authority; provided, however, that the Issuer shall not file, or cause to be filed, any income or franchise tax return in any state of the United States unless it shall have obtained an Opinion of Counsel from a tax counsel of nationally recognized standing experienced in such matters prior to such filing that, under the laws of such jurisdiction, the Issuer is required to file such income or franchise tax return.

(c) Notwithstanding any contrary agreement or understanding, the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer, the Trustee and the Holders and beneficial owners of the Class E Certificates (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) may disclose to any and all Persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to them relating to such tax treatment and tax structure. The foregoing provision shall apply from the beginning of discussions between the parties. For this purpose, the tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. tax treatment of the transaction under applicable U.S. federal, state and local law, and the tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. tax treatment of the transaction under applicable U.S. federal, state and local law.

(d) If the Issuer is aware that it has purchased an interest in a “reportable transaction” within the meaning of Section 6011 of the Code, and a Holder of a Security requests information about any such transactions in which the Issuer is an investor, the

Issuer shall provide such information it has reasonably available as soon as practicable after such request.

(e) The Issuer shall not conduct any activities other than the activities that the Issuer is permitted to conduct under this Agreement and the Indenture.

(f) Upon written request by the Independent accountants, the Class E Certificate Registrar shall provide to the Independent accountants that information contained in the Class E Certificate Register requested by the Independent accountants to comply with this Section 4.3.

(g) The Issuer will treat each purchase of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments as a "purchase" for tax accounting and reporting purposes.

(h) Each Holder and beneficial owner of a Class E Certificate, by acceptance of its Class E Certificate or its interest in a Class E Certificate, shall be deemed to understand and acknowledge that failure to provide the Paying Agent with the applicable U.S. federal income tax certifications (generally, a United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 (or successor applicable form) in the case of a person that is a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code or an appropriate United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 (or successor applicable form) in the case of a person that is not a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) may result in U.S. federal back-up withholding from payments in respect of such Class E Certificate.

(i) The Issuer and each Holder of a Class E Certificate shall treat the Notes as debt and the Class E Certificates as equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes and further agrees not to take any action inconsistent with such treatment.

(j) The Issuer shall provide, or cause the independent accountants to provide, within 90 days after the end of the Issuer's tax year, to each Holder of a Class E Certificate, upon written request and, upon written request therefor, all information that a U.S. shareholder making a "qualified electing fund" election (as defined in the Code) with respect to the Class E Certificate is required to obtain from the Issuer for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and a "PFIC Annual Information Statement" as described in United States Treasury Regulation Section 1.1295-1(g)(1) (or any successor Treasury Regulation), including all representations and statements required by such statement, and the Issuer will take or cause the accountants to take any other reasonable steps to facilitate such election by a Holder or beneficial owner of a Class E Certificate.

(k) The Issuer will provide, or cause its Independent accountants to provide, to a Holder of a Class E Certificate, upon written request and, upon written request therefor, any information that such Holder or beneficial owner reasonably requests to assist such Holder or beneficial owner with regard to filing requirements that such Holder or beneficial owner is required to satisfy as a result of the controlled foreign corporation rules under the Code.

(l) The Issuer shall not purchase of any asset if the acquisition (including the manner of acquisition), ownership, enforcement or disposition of such asset would cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise as subject to tax on a net income basis in any jurisdiction outside the Issuer's jurisdiction of incorporation.

Section 4.4 Additional Class E Certificates.

(a) In accordance with the Indenture, at any time during the Reinvestment Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Class E Certificates and use the proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or as otherwise permitted under the Class E Certificates Documents and the Indenture; provided that the following conditions are met:

(i) The terms of the Class E Certificates issued must be identical to the terms of the previously issued Class E Certificates (except that the price at which such additional Class E Certificates may be offered may differ from the applicable initial offering price);

(ii) The net proceeds of any additional Class E Certificates shall be used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations;

Additional Class E Certificates may be offered at prices that differ from the applicable initial offering price; provided that the offering price of the additional Class E Certificates shall not be below 100% of the Face Amount of the additional Class E Certificates being offered.

(b) Additional Class E Certificates may be executed by the Issuer and delivered to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent upon receipt by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent of the following:

(i) Officer's Certificate of the Issuer regarding Corporate Matters. An Officer's certificate of the Issuer (1) evidencing the authorization by Board Resolution of the execution and delivery of the Additional Class E Certificates and specifying the Scheduled Class E Certificate Redemption Date and the Face Amount of such Additional Class E Certificates and (2) certifying that (a) the attached copy of such Board Resolution is a true and complete copy thereof, (b) such resolutions have not been rescinded and are in full force and effect on and as of the Additional Class E Certificates Closing Date and (c) the Officers are authorized to execute and deliver such documents and hold the offices and have the signatures indicated thereon.

(ii) Governmental Approvals. From the Issuer either (A) a certificate of the Issuer:

(A) a certificate of the Issuer or other official document evidencing the due authorization, approval, or consent of any governmental bodies, at the time

having jurisdiction in the premises, together with an Opinion of Counsel of the Issuer that no other authorization, approval, or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of the Class E Certificates applied for by it, or

(B) an Opinion of Counsel of the Issuer that no authorization, approval, or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of the Class E Certificates except as have been given.

(iii) Issuer's Cayman Counsel Opinion. An opinion of Walkers, Cayman Islands counsel to the Issuer, dated the Additional Class E Certificate Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit D to the Indenture.

(iv) Officer's Certificate of Issuer Regarding Indenture. An Officer's certificate of Issuer stating that, to the best of the Officer's knowledge,

(A) the Issuer is not in default under the Indenture and that the issuance of the Additional Class E Certificate applied for by it will not result in a default or a breach of, or be a default under, its organizational documents, any indenture or other agreement or instrument to which it is a party or by which it is bound, or any order of any court or administrative agency entered in any Proceeding to which it is a party or by which it may be bound or to which it may be subject;

(B) all conditions precedent in this Class E Certificate Paying Agency Agreement and the Indenture relating to the issuance and delivery of the Additional Class E Certificates have been complied with;

(C) all expenses due or accrued with respect to the offering of the Additional Class E Certificates or relating to actions taken on or in connection with the Additional Class E Certificates Closing Date have been paid or reserves therefor have been made; and

(D) all of its representations and warranties contained in the Indenture are accurate as of the Additional Class E Certificates Closing Date.

(v) Issuer Order for Deposit of Funds into Accounts. An Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Additional Class E Certificate Closing Date, directing the Trustee to deposit the net proceeds of the issuance of the Additional Class E Certificates into the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds.

(vi) Other Documents. Such other documents as the Class E Certificate Paying Agent may reasonably require; provided that nothing in this clause (vii) shall imply or impose a duty on the Class E Certificate Paying Agent to so require any documents.

(c) Any Additional Class E Certificates issued shall, to the extent reasonably practicable, be offered first to the existing Holders or beneficial owners of the Class E

Certificates in such amounts as necessary to preserve their pro rata holdings of the Class E Certificates. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement or the Indenture to the contrary, no consent of any Holder of Securities shall be required for the issuance of Additional Class E Certificates.

## ARTICLE V

### AMENDMENTS TO INDENTURE

Section 5.1 Supplemental Indentures. The Issuer hereby covenants and agrees for the benefit of the Class E Certificateholders to comply with the provisions of Article VIII of the Indenture applicable to the Class E Certificateholders. Without limiting the generality of any other provision hereof, the parties agree that the Class E Certificateholders are intended third-party beneficiaries of such covenant and agreement.

## ARTICLE VI

### REDEMPTION OF CLASS E CERTIFICATES; LIQUIDATION OF THE ISSUER

Section 6.1 Optional Redemption of Notes. At the direction of Holders of at least a Majority of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class E Certificates, the Co-Issuers shall redeem the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Outstanding Notes on the applicable Redemption Date in accordance with the provisions of Section 9.2 of the Indenture.

Section 6.2 Mandatory Redemption of Class E Certificates.

The Class E Certificates shall be redeemed in whole (whether or not the Class E Certificateholders thereof receive any payments in respect of such redemption) at a redemption price equal to the Class E Certificate Redemption Price on any Payment Date on which a mandatory redemption of the Notes pursuant to Section 9.1(a) of the Indenture results in the payment in full of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes. The Issuer shall follow the direction of a Majority of the Class E Certificateholders as for the disposition of any remaining assets following the payment in full of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes in connection with such redemption.

Section 6.3 Optional Redemption of Class E Certificates.

(a) On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes (except as provided under Section 6.2), all administrative and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture and all amounts owing under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged,

(i) at the direction of a Majority of the Class E Certificates, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to remit to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent for deposit in the Class E Certificate Distribution Account for distribution to the Holders of Class E Certification (pro rata in accordance with their respective holdings) in redemption of all of the Class E Certificates, an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed); or

(ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Class E Certificates, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Class E Certificates to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Class E Certificates based upon such direction.

Section 6.4 Notice to Class E Certificateholders of Redemption. The Class E Certificate Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, shall provide notice of redemption of the Class E Certificate to each Class E Certificateholder, at such Holder's address in the Class E Certificate Register by first-class mail, postage prepaid mailed not less than ten (10) Business Days prior to the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date.

All notices of redemption shall state:

- (i) the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date;
- (ii) the Record Date;
- (iii) the expected Class E Certificate Redemption Price; and
- (iv) the place or places where Class E Certificate Certificates to be redeemed are to be surrendered for the payment of the redemption price thereof which shall be the office or agency of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent specified in Section 4.1 hereof.

Notice of redemption of the Class E Certificates shall be given by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent in the name and at the expense of the Issuer. Failure to give notice of redemption or notice of withdrawal, or any defect therein, to any Class E Certificateholder shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption (or withdrawal thereof, as the case may be) or give rise to any claim based upon such failure or defect.

Section 6.5 Redemption of Class E Certificates on the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date.

Unless previously redeemed prior to such date, the Class E Certificates shall be redeemed (whether or not the Class E Certificateholders thereof receive any payments in respect of such redemption) at a redemption price equal to the Class E Certificate Redemption Price on the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date.

Section 6.6 Redemption Following Liquidation of Collateral. Following the liquidation of the Collateral and the distribution of any available remaining funds



following a redemption of the Notes (except as provided in Section 6.2 or 6.3) or an Event of Default under the Indenture (whether before, on or after the Scheduled Class E Certificates Redemption Date), the Class E Certificates shall be redeemed (whether or not the Class E Certificateholders thereof receive any payments in respect of such redemption) at a redemption price equal to the Class E Certificate Redemption Price.

Section 6.7 Reliance by Class E Certificateholders. Without limiting the generality of Section 9.10, the Issuer and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent acknowledge and agree that (a) the agreements and obligations of the Issuer and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent under this Article VI shall be deemed made for the benefit of the Class E Certificateholders, (b) such agreements and obligations are made to induce the Class E Certificateholders to invest in the Class E Certificates and (c) the Class E Certificateholders are intended third-party beneficiaries of such agreements and obligations.

Section 6.8 Entitlement of Holders of Ordinary Shares. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Issuer:

(i) the holders of the Ordinary Shares at the time outstanding will be entitled to receive out of the assets of the Issuer available for distribution to shareholders, before any distribution of assets is made to Holders of the Class E Certificates, an amount equal to U.S.\$2.00 in respect of each Ordinary Share held by each such holder; and

(ii) the Holders of the Class E Certificates at the time Outstanding will be entitled to the balance of the assets of the Issuer available for distribution to shareholders, after distribution of amounts due to holders of Ordinary Shares under the above subparagraph, *pro rata* according to the number of Class E Certificates held by each such Holder.

If the assets available for distribution to holders of the Ordinary Shares are not sufficient to pay to such holders U.S.\$2.00 in respect of each Ordinary Share, the available assets shall be distributed to holders of the Ordinary Shares *pro rata* according to the number of Ordinary Shares held by each such holder.

## ARTICLE VII

### REPORTS AND NOTICES TO CLASS E CERTIFICATEHOLDERS

Section 7.1 Monthly Reports; Valuation Report. The Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall provide to any Class E Certificateholder, upon written request therefor, the Monthly Report or Valuation Report, as applicable, delivered to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent pursuant to Section 10.6(a) or 10.6(b) of the Indenture.

Section 7.2 Notices to Class E Certificateholders. The Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall provide to the Class E Certificateholders promptly after receipt thereof all other notices provided to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent pursuant to the

terms of the Indenture, including without limitation notice of any Default under the Indenture, notice of resignation or removal of the Trustee, notice of a downgrade of any Class of Notes by any Rating Agency and notice of any proposed or executed supplemental indenture, in each case in accordance with Section 9.5.

## ARTICLE VIII

### CLASS E CERTIFICATEHOLDERS' RELATIONS

Section 8.1 Subordination. Each Holder of the Class E Certificates agrees with all other Holders of the Class E Certificates that such Holder of the Class E Certificates shall not demand, accept, or receive any payment or distribution in respect thereof in violation of the provisions of this Agreement including, without limitation, this Section 8.1. Nothing in this Section 8.1 shall affect the obligation of the Issuer to pay Holders of the Class E Certificates subject to the provisions of this Agreement and the Indenture. If, notwithstanding the provisions of this Agreement, any Holder of any Class E Certificates shall have received any payment or distribution in respect thereof contrary to the provisions of this Agreement, then, unless and until the Notes and all accrued interest thereon shall have been paid in full in cash or, to the extent a majority in Aggregate Principal Amount of the most senior Class of the Notes Outstanding consents, other than in cash in accordance with the Indenture, such payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, which shall pay and deliver the same to the Holders of the Notes in accordance with the Indenture; provided, however, that, if any such payment or distribution is made other than in cash, it shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and subject in all respects to the provisions of the Indenture and this Agreement, including, without limitation, this Section 8.1.

## ARTICLE IX

### MISCELLANEOUS

#### Section 9.1 Amendments.

(a) This Agreement may be amended by the Issuer and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent without the consent of any of the Class E Certificateholders in order to: (i) evidence the succession of any Person to the Issuer and the assumption by any such successor of the covenants of the Issuer in the Class E Certificates and this Agreement or to change the name of the Issuer; (ii) add to the covenants of the Issuer for the benefit of the Class E Certificateholders; (iii) evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment by a successor Class E Certificate Paying Agent and to add to or change any of the provisions of this Agreement as shall be necessary to facilitate the administration of this Agreement or the Class E Certificate Distribution Account by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent; (iv) correct any inconsistency or cure any ambiguity or errors in this Agreement or to conform this Agreement to the Offering Memorandum; (v) modify the restrictions on and procedures for resales and other transfers of the Class E Certificates to reflect any changes in applicable law (or its interpretation) or to enable the

Issuer to rely on any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities Act or the 1940 Act or to remove restrictions on resale and transfer to the extent not required hereunder; (vi) make any changes required by the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange (so long as any of the Class E Certificates are listed thereon); (vii) take any action necessary or helpful to prevent the Issuer, the Trustee or the Class E Certificate Paying Agent from becoming subject to any withholding or other taxes, fees or assessments or to prevent the Issuer from being treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business or otherwise being subject to U.S. federal, state or local income tax on a net income basis, so long as the action will not cause any Class E Certificateholders to be adversely affected to any material extent by any change in the timing, character or source of the income from the Class E Certificates, as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion); or (viii) provide for additional or modified reports to Class E Certificateholders;

(b) This Agreement may also be amended from time to time by the Issuer and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent with the consent of the Class E Certificateholders holding a Majority of the Class E Certificates for the purpose of adding any provisions to or changing in any manner or eliminating any of the provisions of this Agreement, or of modifying in any manner the rights of the Class E Certificateholders hereunder; provided that no such amendment shall (i) reduce in any manner the amount of, or delay the timing of, or change the allocation of, the payment of dividends and any final distribution on the Class E Certificates, (ii) reduce the number or percentage of Class E Certificates, the consent of holders of which is required for any amendment to or action under this Agreement or (iii) conflict with the provisions of the Articles, in each case without the consent of each Class E Certificateholder and, in the case of clause (iii), without amending the Articles in accordance therewith; provided further, that any such amendment shall not be made without written confirmation from each Rating Agency that the execution of such amendment will not result in a qualification, downgrade or withdrawal of the then current ratings of any Class of Notes rated by such Rating Agency. Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed amendment to this Agreement pursuant to this subsection, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall mail to each Class E Certificateholder a copy of such proposed amendment.

(c) Promptly after the execution of any amendment pursuant to this Section 9.1, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall furnish written notification of the substance of such amendment to each Class E Certificateholder. It shall not be necessary for the consent of Class E Certificateholders pursuant to this Section 9.1 to approve the specific form of any proposed amendment, but it shall be sufficient if such consent shall approve the substance thereof. The manner of obtaining such consents (and any other consents of Class E Certificateholders under this Agreement) and of evidencing the authorization of the execution thereof by Class E Certificateholders shall be subject to such reasonable requirements as the Class E Certificate Paying Agent may prescribe.

(d) The Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall be entitled to rely upon (i) an Opinion of Counsel stating that the execution of such amendment is authorized or

permitted by this Agreement and, in the case of an amendment under Section 9.1(a) hereof (unless notified by Class E Certificateholders holding at least a Majority of the Class E Certificates that the Class E Certificates are materially and adversely affected), that such amendment (as applicable) would not materially and adversely affect the interests of the Holders of the Class E Certificates and (ii) an Officer's Certificate of the Issuer that all conditions precedent to the execution of such amendment have been complied with. In the event that any amendment is consented to by the Issuer and by Holders of 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class E Certificates and the Rating Condition is satisfied in case of Section 9.1(b) above, all conditions precedent to the execution of such amendment shall be deemed satisfied, the execution of such amendment shall be authorized or permitted by this Agreement, and the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall execute and accept such amendment pursuant to this Section 9 without obtaining an Opinion of Counsel.

**Section 9.2 Form of Documents Delivered to Class E Certificate Paying Agent.** In any case where several matters are required to be certified by, or covered by an opinion of, any specified Person, it is not necessary that all such matters be certified by, or covered by the opinion of, only one such Person, or that they be so certified or covered by only one document, but one such Person may certify or give an opinion with respect to some matters and one or more other such Persons as to other matters, and any such Person may certify or give an opinion as to such matters in one or several documents.

Any certificate or opinion of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer may be based, insofar as it relates to legal matters, upon a certificate of or opinion of, or representations by, counsel, unless such Authorized Officer knows, or in the exercise of reasonable care should know, that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to the matters upon which his certificate or opinion is based are erroneous. Any such certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or Opinion of Counsel or certificate of or representations by such counsel may be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or any other Person, stating that the information with respect to such factual matters is in the possession of the Issuer or such other Person, unless such Authorized Officer of the Issuer or such counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to such matters are erroneous.

Where any Person is required to make, give or execute two or more applications, requests, consents, certificates, statements, opinions or other instruments under this Agreement, they may, but need not, be consolidated and form one instrument.

**Section 9.3 Acts of Holders.** (a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided by this Agreement to be given or taken by Class E Certificateholders may be embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments (which may be an electronic document, including but not limited to in the form of e-mail, to the extent permitted by applicable law) of substantially similar tenor signed by such Class E Certificateholders in person or by agents duly appointed in writing (provided that no signature shall be required on electronic documents, including

but not limited to in the form of e-mail, to the extent permitted by applicable law). Except as herein otherwise expressly provided, such action shall become effective when such instrument or instruments are delivered to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, and, where it is hereby expressly required, to the Issuer. The instruments (and the action embodied in them) are referred to as the "Act" of the Class E Certificateholders signing the instruments. Proof of execution of any such instrument or of a writing appointing any such agent shall be sufficient for any purpose of this Agreement and conclusive in favor of the Class E Certificate Paying Agent and the Issuer, if made in the manner provided in this Section 9.3.

(b) The fact and date of the execution by any Person of any such instrument or writing may be proved in any manner which the Class E Certificate Paying Agent deems sufficient.

(c) The registered number of Class E Certificates held by any Person, and the date of his holding the same, shall be proved by the Class E Certificate Register.

(d) Any Act by a Class E Certificateholder shall bind the Holder (and any transferee thereof) of such Class E Certificates, and of every Class E Certificate issued upon the registration thereof or in exchange therefor or in lieu thereof, in respect of anything done, omitted or suffered to be done by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent or the Issuer in reliance thereon, whether or not notation of such action is made upon such applicable Class E Certificate.

Section 9.4 Notices. Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other communication or documents provided or permitted by this Agreement to be made upon, given or furnished to, or filed with:

(a) the Class E Certificate Paying Agent by any Class E Certificateholder, the Class E Certificate Registrar, the Issuer, the Trustee or the Portfolio Manager shall be sufficient for every purpose hereunder if made in writing, given, furnished or filed to and mailed, by certified mail, return receipt requested, or sent by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery, or sent by confirmed facsimile transmission to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent addressed to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent at:

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association  
600 Travis Street  
50th Floor  
Houston, TX 77002  
Attn: Worldwide Securities Services – Liberty CLO  
Ref: Liberty CLO, Ltd.  
Facsimile: (713) 216-5959

or at any other address furnished in writing to the Class E Certificateholders, the Issuer, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Registrar and the Portfolio Manager by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, and shall be effective upon actual receipt at such address;

(b) the Issuer by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Class E Certificate Registrar, any Class E Certificateholder or the Portfolio Manager shall be sufficient for every purpose hereunder if made, given, furnished or filed in writing to and mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, or sent by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery, or sent by confirmed facsimile transmission with simultaneous mailing of the original on the same day by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the Issuer addressed to the Issuer at:

Liberty CLO, Ltd.  
  
c/o Walkers SPV Limited  
P.O. Box 908 GT  
Walker House  
Mary Street  
George Town  
Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands  
Attention: The Directors  
Telephone Number: (345) 945-3727  
Facsimile Number: (345) 945-4757

or at any other address furnished in writing to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Class E Certificate Registrar, the Class E Certificateholders, the Collateral Administrator and the Portfolio Manager by the Issuer;

(c) the Portfolio Manager by any Class E Certificateholder, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Class E Certificate Registrar or the Issuer shall be sufficient for every purpose hereunder if made, given, furnished or filed in writing to and mailed, by certified mail, return receipt requested, or sent by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery, or sent by confirmed facsimile transmission with simultaneous mailing of the original on the same day by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the Portfolio Manager addressed to the Portfolio Manager at:

Highland Capital Management, L.P.  
Two Galleria Tower  
13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300  
Dallas, Texas 75240  
Telephone: (972) 628-4100  
Telecopy: (972) 628-4147  
Attention: James Dondero

or at any other address furnished in writing to the Class E Certificateholders, the Class E Certificate Registrar, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent and the Issuer by the Portfolio Manager.

(d) Citigroup Global Markets Inc., as Placement Agent, by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Class E Certificate Registrar, the Portfolio Manager or the Issuer, if in writing and mailed, by certified mail, return receipt requested, or sent by

overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery, or sent by confirmed facsimile transmission with simultaneous mailing of the original on the same day by first-class mail, postage prepaid, addressed to:

Citigroup Global Markets Inc.  
390 Greenwich Street, 4th Floor  
New York, New York 10013  
Tel: (212) 723-6173  
Facsimile: (212) 723-8671  
Attention: Structured Products Group

or at any other address furnished in writing to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Class E Certificate Registrar, the Portfolio Manager and the Issuer by Citigroup Global Markets Inc.; or

(e) Walkers SPV Limited, as Class E Certificate Registrar, by the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, any Class E Certificateholder, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager or the Issuer, if in writing and mailed, by certified mail, return receipt requested, or sent by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery, or sent by confirmed facsimile transmission with simultaneous mailing of the original on the same day by first-class mail, postage prepaid, addressed to:

Walkers SPV Limited  
P.O. Box 908 GT, Walker House  
Mary Street, George Town  
Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands  
Attention: The Directors  
Telephone Number: (345) 945-3727  
Facsimile Number: (345) 945-4757

or at any other address furnished in writing to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Class E Certificateholders, the Placement Agent, the Portfolio Manager and the Issuer by Walkers SPV Limited.

Section 9.5 Notices to Class E Certificateholders; Waiver. (a) Where this Agreement provides for giving a copy of any report or notice to Class E Certificateholders (such report or notice, a “notice”) of any event, such notice shall be sufficiently given (unless otherwise herein expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, to each Class E Certificateholder affected by such event, at its address as it appears on the Class E Certificate Register not later than the latest date, and not earlier than the earliest date, prescribed for the giving of such notice. In any case where notice to Class E Certificateholders is given by mail, neither the failure to mail such notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Class E Certificateholder shall affect the sufficiency of such notice with respect to other Class E Certificateholders, and any notice which is mailed in the manner herein provided shall conclusively be presumed to have been duly given whether or not received.

(b) Where this Agreement provides for notice in any manner, any such notice may be waived in writing by any Person entitled to receive such notice, either before or after the event, and such waiver shall be the equivalent of such notice. Waivers of notice by Class E Certificateholders shall be filed with the Class E Certificate Paying Agent but such filing shall not be a condition precedent to the validity of any action taken in reliance upon such waiver.

(c) In the event that, by reason of the suspension of the regular mail service as a result of a strike, work stoppage or similar activity, it shall be impractical to mail notice of any event to Class E Certificateholders when such notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this Agreement, then any manner of giving such notice as shall be satisfactory to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent shall be deemed to be a sufficient giving of such notice.

Section 9.6 Effect of Headings and Table of Contents. The Article and Section headings herein and the Table of Contents are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction hereof.

Section 9.7 Successors and Assigns. All covenants and agreements in this Agreement by the Issuer shall bind its successors and assigns, whether so expressed or not.

Section 9.8 Assignment of Issuer's Rights. The parties hereto acknowledge the Issuer's Grant pursuant to the Indenture of its rights, title and interest in, to and under this Agreement.

Section 9.9 Severability. In case any provision in this Agreement shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality, and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

Section 9.10 Benefits of Agreement. Nothing in this Agreement or in the Class E Certificates, expressed or implied, shall give to any Person, other than the parties hereto and their successors hereunder and the Class E Certificateholders, any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under this Agreement.

Section 9.11 GOVERNING LAW. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK APPLICABLE TO AGREEMENTS MADE AND TO BE PERFORMED THEREIN WITHOUT REGARD TO CONFLICTS OF LAW PRINCIPLES. THE CLASS E CERTIFICATES SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE CAYMAN ISLANDS.

Section 9.12 SUBMISSION TO JURISDICTION. THE ISSUER AND THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE PAYING AGENT HEREBY IRREVOCABLY SUBMIT TO THE NON-EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OF ANY NEW YORK STATE OR FEDERAL COURT SITTING IN THE BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN IN THE



CITY OF NEW YORK IN ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THE CLASS E CERTIFICATES OR THIS AGREEMENT, AND THE ISSUER AND THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE PAYING AGENT HEREBY IRREVOCABLY AGREE THAT ALL CLAIMS IN RESPECT OF SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING MAY BE HEARD AND DETERMINED IN SUCH NEW YORK STATE OR FEDERAL COURT. THE ISSUER AND THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE PAYING AGENT HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVE, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT THAT THEY MAY LEGALLY DO SO, THE DEFENSE OF AN INCONVENIENT FORUM TO THE MAINTENANCE OF SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING. THE ISSUER IRREVOCABLY CONSENTS TO THE SERVICE OF ANY AND ALL PROCESS IN ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING BY THE MAILING OR DELIVERY OF COPIES OF SUCH PROCESS TO IT AT THE OFFICE OF THE AGENT SET FORTH IN SECTION 9.15. THE ISSUER AND THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE PAYING AGENT AGREE THAT A FINAL JUDGMENT IN ANY SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING SHALL BE CONCLUSIVE AND MAY BE ENFORCED IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS BY SUIT ON THE JUDGMENT OR IN ANY OTHER MANNER PROVIDED BY LAW. TO THE EXTENT THAT EITHER THE ISSUER OR THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE PAYING AGENT HAS OR HEREAFTER MAY ACQUIRE ANY IMMUNITY FROM JURISDICTION OF ANY COURT OR FROM ANY LEGAL PROCESS (WHETHER THROUGH SERVICE OR NOTICE, ATTACHMENT PRIOR TO JUDGMENT, ATTACHMENT IN AID OF EXECUTION OR OTHERWISE) WITH RESPECT TO ITS OBLIGATIONS HEREUNDER, EACH WAIVES SUCH IMMUNITY TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW.

Section 9.13 Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which so executed shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

Section 9.14 WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL. EACH OF THE ISSUER AND THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE PAYING AGENT HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY AND ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY.

Section 9.15 Process Agent. The Issuer designates and appoints Corporation Service Company, 1133 Avenue of the Americas, Suite 3100, New York, NY 10036, as its agent (the "Process Agent") for service of all process. The Process Agent may be served in any legal suit, action or Proceeding arising with respect to this Agreement, such service being hereby acknowledged to be effective and binding service in every respect. The Issuer may designate and appoint an alternate Process Agent, as its agent for the service of all process, by a delivery of notice to the other parties hereto and to the Class E Certificateholders, in accordance with Section 9.5 hereof, specifying the name and address of the new Process Agent.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their respective duly authorized officers as of the date first above written.

LIBERTY CLO, LTD.,  
as Issuer


By:   
Name: David Egglshaw  
Title: Director

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK,  
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,  
as Class E Certificate Paying Agent

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

Acknowledging its appointment as  
Share Registrar pursuant to Section  
2.5(a):

WALKERS SPV LIMITED,  
as Share Registrar

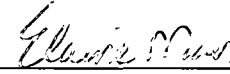
By:   
Name: Derrie Boggess  
Title: Director

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their respective duly authorized officers as of the date first above written.

LIBERTY CLO, LTD.,  
as Issuer

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

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK,  
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,  
as Class E Certificate Paying Agent

By:   
Name: Elaine Mah  
Title: Vice President

Acknowledging its appointment as  
Share Registrar pursuant to Section  
2.5(a):

WALKERS SPV LIMITED,  
as Share Registrar

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

**EXHIBIT A-1**

**FORM OF CERTIFICATED CLASS E CERTIFICATE**

**LIBERTY CLO, LTD.**  
(the "Company")

**NUMBER**

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**CLASS E**  
**CERTIFICATES**

«amount»

INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE CAYMAN ISLANDS

THE AUTHORISED SHARE CAPITAL OF THE COMPANY IS U.S.\$ 1,940 BEING THE AGGREGATE OF (i) U.S.\$1,000 DIVIDED INTO 1,000 ORDINARY SHARES OF A NOMINAL OR PAR VALUE OF U.S.\$1.00 EACH AND (ii) U.S.\$940 DIVIDED INTO 94,000 CLASS E CERTIFICATES OF A NOMINAL OR PAR VALUE OF \$0.01 EACH. EACH CLASS E CERTIFICATE WILL BE ISSUED AT A PRICE OF U.S. \$1,000.

*THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT* «HOLDER» is the registered holder of «word\_amount» («amount») Class E Certificates in the above named Company subject to the Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company.

**THE RESTRICTIVE LEGEND ON THE REVERSE OF THIS CERTIFICATE FORMS AN INTEGRAL PART HEREOF.**

DATED:

\_\_\_\_\_  
BY:

THESE CLASS E CERTIFICATES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT OF 1933 (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), ANY STATE SECURITIES LAWS IN THE UNITED STATES OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY OTHER JURISDICTION AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE "INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT"). THE HOLDER HEREOF, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF THESE CLASS E CERTIFICATES, REPRESENTS THAT IT HAS OBTAINED THESE CLASS E CERTIFICATES IN A TRANSACTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT, THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT AND ALL OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OR ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION, AND THE RESTRICTIONS ON SALE AND TRANSFER SET FORTH IN THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE DOCUMENTS. THE HOLDER HEREOF, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF THESE CLASS E CERTIFICATES, FURTHER REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT REOFFER, RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER THESE CLASS E CERTIFICATES (OR ANY INTEREST HEREIN) EXCEPT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT, THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT AND ALL OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS OF ANY JURISDICTION AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CERTIFICATIONS AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS SPECIFIED IN THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO HEREIN (A) TO A TRANSFEREE (1) THAT IS EITHER (i) A "QUALIFIED PURCHASER" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OR (ii) A "KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEE" (AS DEFINED IN RULE 3C-5 UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT) WITH RESPECT TO THE ISSUER, (2) IN THE CASE OF (1)(i) ABOVE THAT (i) WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE CLASS E CERTIFICATES, (ii) HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS IF THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (iii) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN U.S. \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS AND (iv) IS NOT A PARTNERSHIP, COMMON TRUST FUND, SPECIAL TRUST, PENSION, PROFIT SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS, AS APPLICABLE, MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENTS TO BE MADE, (3) THAT (i) IS ACQUIRING ITS CLASS E CERTIFICATES IN A TRANSACTION THAT MAY BE EFFECTED WITHOUT LOSS OF ANY APPLICABLE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT EXEMPTION AND (ii) AGREES TO PROVIDE NOTICE TO ANY SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS PROVIDED IN THIS LEGEND AND THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE DOCUMENTS AND (4) THAT (i) IS A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A "QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER" AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A "QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER" IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OR (ii) IS AN "ACCREDITED INVESTOR" AS DEFINED IN RULE 501(A) UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT (PROVIDED THAT IN THE CASE OF ANY TRANSFER TO A PERSON WHO IS AN "ACCREDITED INVESTOR" PURSUANT TO THIS SUBCLAUSE (ii) AND IF REQUESTED BY OR ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, THE TRANSFEROR OR THE TRANSFEREE HAS PROVIDED AN OPINION OF COUNSEL TO EACH OF THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE PAYING AGENT, THE CLASS E CERTIFICATES REGISTRAR AND THE ISSUER THAT SUCH TRANSFER MAY BE MADE PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND ANY APPLICABLE STATE SECURITIES LAW), OR (B) TO A TRANSFEREE THAT IS NOT A U.S. PERSON (AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT) AND IS ACQUIRING THESE CLASS E CERTIFICATES IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, AND IN THE CASE OF BOTH CLAUSES (A) AND (B), IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN THE APPLICABLE MINIMUM AUTHORIZED DENOMINATIONS. EACH PURCHASER OR TRANSFEREE OF THESE CLASS E CERTIFICATES WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE OR WILL BE DEEMED TO MAKE THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SUBSTANTIALLY IN THE FORM SET FORTH IN THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE DOCUMENTS OR AN EXHIBIT THERETO.

THESE CLASS E CERTIFICATES ARE TRANSFERABLE ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS DESCRIBED HEREIN AND IN THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE DOCUMENTS. ANY SALE OR TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID AB INITIO, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. EACH TRANSFEROR OF ANY INTEREST IN THESE CLASS E CERTIFICATES AGREES TO PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH HEREIN AND IN THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE DOCUMENTS TO ANY TRANSFEREE. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO COMPEL THE RESALE OF ANY INTEREST IN THESE CLASS E CERTIFICATES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO OR HELD BY NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS OF CLASS E CERTIFICATES IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE DOCUMENTS.

THE SCHEDULED CLASS E CERTIFICATES REDEMPTION DATE IS SUBJECT TO EXTENSION AS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE AND CLASS E CERTIFICATE DOCUMENTS. IN ADDITION, A HOLDER MAY BE REQUIRED TO SELL ITS CLASS E CERTIFICATES AS REQUIRED IN THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE DOCUMENTS IF IT DOES NOT CONSENT TO CERTAIN AMENDMENTS TO THE INDENTURE OR IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES VOTES TO REMOVE THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER WITHOUT CAUSE.

THESE CLASS E CERTIFICATES MAY BE BENEFICIALLY OWNED ONLY BY PERSONS THAT CAN CONTINUE TO MAKE, ON EACH DAY SUCH BENEFICIAL OWNER OWNS THESE CLASS E CERTIFICATES, THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS WITH RESPECT TO THE U.S. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED, AND RELATED MATTERS SET FORTH IN THE REPRESENTATION LETTER DELIVERED UPON PURCHASE OR THE REPRESENTATIONS DEEMED MADE UPON PURCHASE.

# LIBERTY CLO, LTD.

(the "Company")

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Up to 94,000

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*THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT* CEDE & CO. is the registered holder of up to 94,000 Class E Certificates in the above named Company subject to the Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company.

THE RESTRICTIVE LEGEND ON THE REVERSE OF THIS CERTIFICATE FORMS AN INTEGRAL PART HEREOF.

DATED: DECEMBER 8, 2005



BY: DONALD J. PUGLISI  
ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

THIS CLASS E CERTIFICATE IS A TEMPORARY GLOBAL SECURITY FOR PURPOSES OF REGULATION S UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT") WHICH IS EXCHANGEABLE FOR A PERMANENT GLOBAL SECURITY SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS SET FORTH HEREIN AND IN THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO HEREIN.

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ON OR AFTER THE EXCHANGE DATE, UPON CERTIFICATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 903(B)(3)(II)(B) FROM THE DTC, EUROCLEAR AND CLEARSTREAM THAT THE BENEFICIAL INTERESTS IN THIS TEMPORARY REGULATION S GLOBAL SECURITY ARE OWNED BY A PERSON WHO IS A NON-U.S. PERSON (AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S), INTERESTS IN THIS TEMPORARY REGULATION S GLOBAL SECURITY SHALL BE EXCHANGEABLE FOR ONE OR MORE PERMANENT GLOBAL SECURITIES IN DEFINITIVE, FULLY REGISTERED FORM WITH THE APPLICABLE LEGENDS SUBSTANTIALLY IN THE FORM ATTACHED AS AN EXHIBIT TO THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE PAYING AGENCY AGREEMENT.

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# LIBERTY CLO, LTD.

(the "Company")

REGULATION S GLOBAL SECURITY

representing

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CLASS E  
CERTIFICATES

Up to 94,000

INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE CAYMAN ISLANDS

THE AUTHORISED SHARE CAPITAL OF THE COMPANY IS U.S.\$ 1,940 BEING THE AGGREGATE OF  
(i) U.S.\$1,000 DIVIDED INTO 1,000 ORDINARY SHARES OF A NOMINAL OR PAR VALUE OF  
U.S.\$1.00 EACH AND (ii) U.S.\$940 DIVIDED INTO 94,000 CLASS E CERTIFICATES OF A NOMINAL  
OR PAR VALUE OF \$0.01 EACH. EACH CLASS E CERTIFICATE HAS A FACE AMOUNT OF U.S.  
\$1,000.

*THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT* CEDE & CO. is the registered holder of up to 94,000 Class E  
Certificates in the above named Company subject to the Amended and Restated Memorandum  
and Articles of Association of the Company.

THE RESTRICTIVE LEGEND ON THE REVERSE OF THIS CERTIFICATE FORMS AN INTEGRAL PART HEREOF.

DATED: DECEMBER 8, 2005



BY: DONALD J. PUGLISI  
ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

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INTERESTS IN THIS REGULATION S GLOBAL SECURITY WILL BE TRANSFERABLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE CLASS E CERTIFICATE DOCUMENTS AND THE RULES AND PROCEDURES OF EUROCLEAR AND CLEARSTREAM IN USE AT SUCH TIME.

UPON REDEMPTION, EXCHANGE OF OR INCREASE IN ANY INTEREST REPRESENTED BY THIS REGULATION S GLOBAL SECURITY, THIS REGULATION S GLOBAL SECURITY SHALL BE ENDORSED ON SCHEDULE A HERETO TO REFLECT THE REDUCTION OF OR INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF CLASS E CERTIFICATES EVIDENCED HEREBY.

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**EXHIBIT B-2**

FORM OF TRANSFEROR CERTIFICATE FOR EXCHANGE OR TRANSFER  
FROM CERTIFICATED CLASS E CERTIFICATE  
TO TEMPORARY REGULATION S GLOBAL CLASS E CERTIFICATE  
OR REGULATION S GLOBAL CLASS E CERTIFICATE

(Exchanges or transfers pursuant to Section 2.7(g)(iii) of the Class E Certificate Paying Agency Agreement)

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as Trustee  
600 Travis Street, 50th Floor  
Houston, Texas 77002

Attention: Attention: Worldwide Securities Services – Liberty CLO

Reference is hereby made to the Class E Certificate Paying Agency Agreement dated as of December 8, 2005 (the “Class E Certificate Paying Agency Agreement”), by and between Liberty CLO, Ltd. (the “Issuer”) and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as Class E Certificate Paying Agent. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Class E Certificate Paying Agency Agreement.

This letter relates to \_\_\_\_\_ Class E Certificates (the “Class E Certificates”) which are owned by the undersigned (the “Transferor”) in the form of a Certificated Class E Certificate (CUSIP No. [530360 20 5][ 530360 30 4]). The Transferor has requested an exchange or transfer of such Class E Certificate for an interest in the [Temporary]<sup>1</sup> Regulation S Global Class E Certificate (ISIN No. KYG278672020) to be held with the Depositary in the name of [Euroclear] [Clearstream]<sup>2</sup> (Common Code No.[ 023730707]).

In connection with such request and in respect of such Class E Certificates, the Transferor does hereby certify that such exchange or transfer has been made in compliance with the transfer restrictions set forth in the Class E Certificate Paying Agency Agreement and pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S (“Regulation S”) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”), and accordingly the Transferor does hereby certify that:

(1) the offer of the Class E Certificates was not made to a person in the United States and the transferee is not a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S);

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<sup>1</sup> Include if applicable.

<sup>2</sup> Select appropriate depository.

[(2) at the time the buy order was originated, the transferee was outside the United States or the Transferor and any persons acting on its behalf reasonably believed and believes that the transferee was outside the United States;]<sup>3, 4</sup>

[(2) the transaction was executed in, on or through the facilities of a designated offshore securities market and neither the Transferor nor any person acting on its behalf knows that the transaction was pre-arranged with a buyer in the United States;]<sup>4</sup>

(3) no directed selling efforts have been made in contravention of the requirements of Rule 903(a) or 904(a) of Regulation S, as applicable; and

(4) the transaction is not part of a plan or scheme to evade the registration requirements of the Securities Act.

The Transferor confirms that it has made the transferee aware of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in Section 2.7 of the Class E Certificate Paying Agency Agreement (and the related exhibits to the Class E Certificate Paying Agency Agreement).

We understand that this certificate is required in connection with certain securities laws of the United States. In connection therewith, if administrative or legal proceedings are commenced or threatened in connection with which this certificate is or would be relevant, we irrevocably authorize you to produce this certificate to any interested party in such proceeding. This certificate and the statements contained herein are made for the benefit of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Class E Certificates Registrar, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent and their respective counsel.

[Insert Name of Transferor]

By:

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

Title:

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

cc: Liberty CLO, Ltd.

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<sup>3</sup> Insert this provision, which comes from the definition of “offshore transaction” in Regulation S, if transfer is made in reliance on Rule 903 under the Securities Act.

<sup>4</sup> Insert one of the two provisions, which come from the definition of “offshore transaction” in Regulation S, if transfer is made in reliance on Rule 904 under the Securities Act.

## **EXHIBIT MM**



**PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT**

This Portfolio Management Agreement, dated as of December 8, 2005 is entered into by and between LIBERTY CLO, LTD., an exempted company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands, with its registered office located at the offices of P.O. Box 908 GT, Walker House, Mary Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands (together with successors and assigns permitted hereunder, the “Issuer”), and HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, with its principal offices located at Two Galleria Tower, 13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300, Dallas, Texas 75240, as portfolio manager (“Highland” or, in such capacity, the “Portfolio Manager”).

## WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Issuer and Liberty CLO, Corp. (the “Co-Issuer”) intend to issue the Class A-1A Revolving Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the “Class A-1A Notes”), the Class A-1B Delayed Drawdown Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the “Class A-1B Notes”), the Class A-1C Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the “Class A-1C Notes” and, together with the Class A-1A Notes and the Class A-1B Notes, the “Class A-1 Notes”), the Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the “Class A-2 Notes”), the Class A-3 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the “Class A-3 Notes”), the Class A-4 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the “Class A-4 Notes” and, together with the Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes and Class A-3 Notes, the “Class A Notes”), the Class B Floating Rate Deferrable Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the “Class B Notes”) and the Class C Floating Rate Deferrable Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the “Class C Notes” and, together with the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes, the “Notes”), and the Issuer intends to issue the Class P-1 Extendable Securities (the “Class P-1 Securities”), the Class P-2 Extendable Securities (the “Class P-2 Securities” and, together with the Class P-1 Securities, the “Class P Securities”) and the Class Q-1 Combination Extendable Securities (the “Class Q-1 Securities”), pursuant to an indenture (the “Indenture”), dated as of the date hereof, among the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, as co-issuer of the Notes, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as trustee (together with any successor trustee permitted under the Indenture, the “Trustee”). The Issuer also intends to issue 94,000 Class E Certificates, par value \$0.01 per share (the “Class E Certificates” and, together with the Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class P Securities, the “Securities”), pursuant to the Issuer’s Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association;

WHEREAS, the Issuer intends to pledge certain Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments (all as defined in the Indenture) and certain other assets (all as set forth in the Indenture) (collectively, the “Collateral”) to the Trustee as security for the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities (to the extent of the Class Q-1 Note Component);

WHEREAS, the Issuer intends to pledge the Class P-1 Collateral (as defined in the Indenture) to the Trustee as security for the Class P-1 Securities;

WHEREAS, the Issuer intends to pledge the Class P-2 Collateral (as defined in the Indenture) to the Trustee as security for the Class P-2 Securities;

WHEREAS, the Issuer wishes to enter into this Portfolio Management Agreement, pursuant to which the Portfolio Manager agrees to perform, on behalf of the Issuer, certain duties with respect to the Collateral securing the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities (to the extent of the Class Q-1 Note Component) in the manner and on the terms set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the Portfolio Manager has the capacity to provide the services required hereby and is prepared to perform such services upon the terms and conditions set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements herein set forth, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Definitions.

Terms used herein and not defined below shall have the meanings set forth in the Indenture. References herein to the Class E Certificates shall include the Class E Certificate Components, and references to the Notes shall include the Class Q-1 Note Component.

“Agreement” shall mean this Portfolio Management Agreement, as amended from time to time.

“Governing Instruments” shall mean the memorandum, articles or certificate of incorporation or association and by-laws, if applicable, in the case of a corporation; the certificate of formation, if applicable, or the partnership agreement, in the case of a partnership; or the certificate of formation, if applicable, or the limited liability company agreement, in the case of a limited liability company.

“Offering Circular” shall mean the Offering Memorandum of the Issuer dated December 7, 2005 prepared in connection with the offering of the Securities.

“Portfolio Manager Breaches” shall have the meaning specified in Section 10(a).

2. General Duties of the Portfolio Manager.

(a) The Portfolio Manager shall provide services to the Issuer as follows:

(i) Subject to and in accordance with the terms of the Indenture and this Agreement, the Portfolio Manager shall supervise and direct the investment and reinvestment of the Collateral, and shall perform on behalf of the Issuer those investment-related duties and functions that have been specifically delegated or assigned to the Portfolio Manager in the Indenture or hereunder (and the Portfolio Manager shall have no obligation to perform any other duties other than as specified herein or under the Indenture) and, to the extent necessary or appropriate to perform such duties, the Portfolio Manager shall have the power to execute and deliver all necessary and appropriate documents and instruments on behalf of the Issuer with respect thereto, including without limitation, providing such certifications and Officer’s certificates as are required of the Portfolio Manager or the Issuer under the Indenture with respect to the permitted purchases and sales of Collateral Obligations and other securities required or permitted to be purchased or sold under the Indenture. The Portfolio Manager shall, subject to the terms and conditions hereof and of the Indenture, perform its obligations hereunder and under the Indenture with reasonable care, using a degree of skill and attention no less than that which the Portfolio Manager exercises with respect to comparable assets that it manages for others having similar investment objectives and restrictions, and in a manner consistent with practices and procedures followed by institutional managers of national standing relating to assets of the nature and character of the Collateral for clients having similar investment objectives and restrictions, except as expressly provided otherwise in this Agreement and/or the Indenture. To the extent not inconsistent with the foregoing, the Portfolio Manager shall follow its customary standards, policies and procedures in performing its duties under the Indenture and hereunder. The Portfolio Manager shall comply with all terms and conditions of the

Indenture affecting the duties and functions to be performed hereunder. The Portfolio Manager shall not be bound to follow any amendment to the Indenture until it has received written notice thereof and until it has received a copy of the amendment from the Issuer or the Trustee; provided, however, that the Portfolio Manager shall not be bound by any amendment to the Indenture that would reduce the rights or decrease the fees or any other amounts payable to the Portfolio Manager hereunder or under the Indenture or increase the duties, obligations or liabilities of the Portfolio Manager unless the Portfolio Manager shall have consented thereto in writing. The Issuer agrees that it shall not permit any amendment to the Indenture that (x) affects the rights, duties or liabilities of the Portfolio Manager or (y) affects the amount or priority of any fees payable to the Portfolio Manager to become effective unless the Portfolio Manager has been given prior written notice of such amendment and consented thereto in writing;

(ii) the Portfolio Manager shall select any Collateral which shall be acquired by the Issuer pursuant to the Indenture in accordance with the investment criteria set forth herein and in the Indenture;

(iii) the Portfolio Manager shall monitor the Collateral on an ongoing basis and provide to the Issuer all reports, certificates, schedules and other data with respect to the Collateral which the Issuer is required to prepare and deliver under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement, in the form and containing all information required thereby and in reasonable time for the Issuer to review such required reports, certificates, schedules and data and to deliver them to the parties entitled thereto under the Indenture; the Portfolio Manager shall undertake to determine to the extent reasonably practicable whether a Collateral Obligation has become a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; and the Portfolio Manager shall monitor any Hedge Agreements and direct the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer in respect of all actions to be taken thereunder by the Issuer;

(iv) the Portfolio Manager, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture may, at any time permitted under the Indenture, and shall, when required by the Indenture, direct the Trustee (x) to dispose of a Collateral Obligation, Equity Security or Eligible Investment or other securities received in respect thereof in the open market or otherwise, or (y) to acquire, as security for the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities (to the extent of the Class Q-1 Note Component) in substitution for or in addition to any one or more Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments included in the Collateral, one or more substitute Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments, and may, in each case subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture, or (z) to take the following actions with respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment:

- (1) retain such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment;
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- (2) dispose of such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment in the open market or otherwise; or
- (3) if applicable, tender such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment pursuant to an Offer; or
- (4) if applicable, consent to any proposed amendment, modification or waiver pursuant to an Offer; or

(5) retain or dispose of any securities or other property (if other than cash) received pursuant to an Offer; or

(6) waive any default with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or

(7) vote to accelerate the maturity of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or

(8) exercise any other rights or remedies with respect to such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment as provided in the related Underlying Instruments or take any other action consistent with the terms of the Indenture which is in the best interests of the Securityholders; and

(v) subject to and in accordance with the terms of the Indenture and this Agreement, the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer shall determine whether to enter into any Hedge Agreements, increase or reduce the notional amounts of Hedge Agreements or terminate Hedge Agreements, and the Portfolio Manager shall use its reasonable efforts to cause the Issuer, promptly following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) and to the extent possible through application of funds received as a result of the early termination (including the proceeds of the liquidation of any collateral pledged by the Hedge Counterparty), to enter into a replacement Hedge Agreement.

(b) In performing its duties hereunder, the Portfolio Manager shall seek to maximize the value of the Collateral for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities and the Holders of the Class E Certificates taking into account the investment criteria and limitations set forth herein and in the Indenture and the Portfolio Manager shall use reasonable efforts to manage the Collateral in such a way that will (i) permit a timely performance of all payment obligations by the Issuer under the Indenture and (ii) subject to such objective, maximize the return to the Holders of the Class E Certificates; provided, that the Portfolio Manager shall not be responsible if such objectives are not achieved so long as the Portfolio Manager performs its duties under this Agreement in the manner provided for herein, and provided, further, that there shall be no recourse to the Portfolio Manager with respect to the Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities or the Class E Certificates. The Portfolio Manager and the Issuer shall take such other action, and furnish such certificates, opinions and other documents, as may be reasonably requested by the other party hereto in order to effectuate the purposes of this Agreement and to facilitate compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the terms of this Agreement.

(c) The Portfolio Manager hereby agrees to the following:

(i) The Portfolio Manager agrees not to institute against, or join any other Person in instituting against, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation proceedings or other proceedings under federal or state bankruptcy or similar laws of any jurisdiction until at least one year and one day (or if longer, any applicable preference period plus one day) after the payment in full of all Notes issued under the Indenture, the reduction of the Commitment to zero in the case of the Class A-1A Notes and the payment to the Class E Certificates Paying Agent of all amounts payable with respect to the Class E Certificates in accordance with the Priority of Payments; provided, however, that nothing in this clause (i) shall preclude, or be deemed to estop, the Portfolio Manager (A) from taking any action prior to the expiration of such period in (x) any case or proceeding voluntarily

filed or commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, or (y) any involuntary insolvency proceeding filed or commenced against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, by a Person other than the Portfolio Manager, or (B) from commencing against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any properties of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any legal action which is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium, liquidation or similar proceeding.

(ii) The Portfolio Manager shall cause each sale or purchase of any Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment to be conducted on an arm's-length basis.

(d) The Portfolio Manager shall not act for the Issuer in any capacity except as provided in this Section 2. In providing services hereunder, the Portfolio Manager may employ third parties, including its Affiliates, to render advice (including investment advice) and assistance; provided, however, that (i) the Portfolio Manager shall not be relieved of any of its duties or liabilities hereunder regardless of the performance of any services by third parties and (ii) such employment of third parties shall not cause the Issuer to be subject to tax in the United States. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Portfolio Manager shall not be required to take any action required of it pursuant to this Agreement or the Indenture if such action would constitute a violation of any law.

### 3. Brokerage.

The Portfolio Manager shall seek to obtain the best prices and execution for all orders placed with respect to the Collateral, considering all reasonable circumstances. Subject to the objective of obtaining best prices and execution, the Portfolio Manager may take into consideration research and other brokerage services furnished to the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates by brokers and dealers which are not Affiliates of the Portfolio Manager. Such services may be used by the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates in connection with its other advisory activities or investment operations. The Portfolio Manager may aggregate sales and purchase orders of securities placed with respect to the Collateral with similar orders being made simultaneously for other accounts managed by Portfolio Manager or with accounts of the Affiliates of the Portfolio Manager, if in the Portfolio Manager's reasonable judgment such aggregation shall result in an overall economic benefit to the Issuer, taking into consideration the advantageous selling or purchase price, brokerage commission and other expenses. In the event that a sale or purchase of a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment (in accordance with the terms of the Indenture) occurs as part of any aggregate sales or purchase orders, the objective of the Portfolio Manager (and any of its Affiliates involved in such transactions) shall be to allocate the executions among the accounts in an equitable manner.

In addition to the foregoing and subject to the provisions of Section 2 and the limitations of Section 5, the objective of obtaining best prices and execution and to the extent permitted by applicable law, the Portfolio Manager may, on behalf of the Issuer, direct the Trustee to acquire any and all of the Eligible Investments or other Collateral from, or sell Collateral Obligations or other Collateral to, the Initial Purchaser, the Trustee or any of their respective Affiliates, or any other firm.

4. Additional Activities of the Portfolio Manager.

Nothing herein shall prevent the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates from engaging in other businesses, or from rendering services of any kind to the Trustee, the Securityholders, or any other Person or entity to the extent permitted by applicable law. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, the Portfolio Manager and partners, directors, officers, employees and agents of the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates may, among other things, and subject to any limits specified in the Indenture:

(a) serve as directors (whether supervisory or managing), officers, partners, employees, agents, nominees or signatories for any issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates, to the extent permitted by their Governing Instruments, as from time to time amended, or by any resolutions duly adopted by the Issuer, its Affiliates or any issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates, pursuant to their respective Governing Instruments; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on any item of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Collateral Quality Test; provided, further, that nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to limit the duties of the Portfolio Manager set forth in Section 2 hereof;

(b) receive fees for services of any nature rendered to the issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on any item of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Collateral Quality Test; and provided, further that if any portion of such services are related to purchase by the Issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral, the portion of such fees relating to such obligations shall be applied to the purchase price of such obligations; and

(c) be a secured or unsecured creditor of, or hold an equity interest in, the Issuer, its Affiliates or any issuer of any obligation included in the Collateral; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on any item of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Collateral Quality Test; provided, further, that nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to limit the duties of the Portfolio Manager set forth in Section 2 hereof.

It is understood that the Portfolio Manager and any of its Affiliates may engage in any other business and furnish investment management and advisory services to others, including Persons which may have investment policies similar to those followed by the Portfolio Manager with respect to the Collateral and which may own securities of the same class, or which are the same type, as the Collateral Obligations or other securities of the issuers of Collateral Obligations. The Portfolio Manager shall be free, in its sole discretion, to make recommendations to others, or effect transactions on behalf of itself or for others, which may be the same as or different from those effected with respect to the Collateral.

Unless the Portfolio Manager determines in its reasonable judgment that such purchase or sale is appropriate and otherwise in accordance with the requirements of this Agreement and the Indenture, the Portfolio Manager may refrain from directing the purchase or sale hereunder of securities issued by (i) Persons of which the Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates or any of its or their officers, directors or employees are directors or officers, (ii) Persons for which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliate act as financial adviser or underwriter or (iii) Persons about which the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates have information which the Portfolio Manager deems confidential or non-public or otherwise might prohibit it from trading such securities in accordance with applicable law. The Portfolio Manager shall not be obligated to pursue any particular investment strategy or opportunity with respect to the Collateral.

5. Conflicts of Interest.

(a) The Portfolio Manager shall not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Portfolio Manager such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Portfolio Manager, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other, (iii) such transaction is permitted by the Adviser's Act and (iv) such transaction satisfies the requirements of this Agreement and the Indenture.

(b) The Portfolio Manager shall not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Portfolio Manager serves as investment advisor, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Portfolio Manager serves as investment advisor unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Portfolio Manager, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other, (ii) permitted by the Adviser's Act and (iii) in compliance with the terms of this Agreement and the Indenture.

(c) In addition, the Portfolio Manager shall not undertake any transaction described in this Section 5 unless such transaction is exempt from the prohibited transaction rules of ERISA and the Code.

6. Records; Confidentiality.

The Portfolio Manager shall maintain appropriate books of account and records relating to services performed hereunder, and such books of account and records shall be accessible for inspection by a representative of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent, the Noteholders, the Holders of the Securities and the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to the Indenture at a mutually agreed time during normal business hours and upon not less than three Business Days' prior notice. At no time shall the Portfolio Manager make a public announcement concerning the issuance of the Securities, the Portfolio Manager's role hereunder or any other aspect of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the Indenture. The Portfolio Manager shall keep confidential any and all information obtained in connection with the services rendered hereunder and shall not disclose any such information to non-affiliated third parties except (i) with the prior written consent of the Issuer, (ii) such information as either Rating Agency shall reasonably request in connection with the rating of any class of Securities, (iii) as required by law, regulation, court order or the rules or regulations of any self regulating organization, body or official having jurisdiction over the Portfolio Manager, (iv) to its professional advisers, (v) such information as shall have been publicly disclosed other than in violation of this Agreement, or (vi) such information that was or is obtained by the Portfolio Manager on a non-confidential basis, provided, that the Portfolio Manager does not know or have reason to know of any breach by such source of any confidentiality obligations with respect thereto. For purposes of this Section 6, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities shall in no event be considered "non-affiliated third parties."

Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement or the Indenture to the contrary, the Portfolio Manager, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Holders of the Securities (and the beneficial owners thereof) (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) may disclose to any and all Persons, without limitation of any kind, the U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure of the

transactions contemplated by this Agreement and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to them relating to such U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure, as such terms are defined under U.S. federal, state or local tax law.

7. Obligations of Portfolio Manager.

Unless otherwise specifically required by any provision of the Indenture or this Agreement or by applicable law, the Portfolio Manager shall use its best reasonable efforts to ensure that no action is taken by it, and shall not intentionally or with reckless disregard take any action, which would (a) materially adversely affect the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for purposes of Cayman Islands law, United States federal or state law or any other law known to the Portfolio Manager to be applicable to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, (b) not be permitted under the Issuer's Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association or the Co-Issuer's Certificate of Incorporation or By-Laws, (c) violate any law, rule or regulation of any governmental body or agency having jurisdiction over the Issuer or the Co-Issuer including, without limitation, any Cayman Islands or United States federal, state or other applicable securities law the violation of which has or could reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any of the Collateral, (d) require registration of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the pool of Collateral as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act, (e) cause the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to violate the terms of the Indenture, including, without limitation, any representations made by the Issuer or Co-Issuer therein, or any other agreement contemplated by the Indenture or (f) subject the Issuer to U.S. federal or state income or franchise taxation or cause the Issuer to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The Portfolio Manager covenants that it shall comply in all material respects with all laws and regulations applicable to it in connection with the performance of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, the Portfolio Manager shall not be required to take any action under this Agreement or the Indenture if such action would violate any applicable law, rule, regulation or court order.

8. Compensation.

(a) The Issuer shall pay to the Portfolio Manager, for services rendered and performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Management Fee, which shall be payable in such amounts and at such times as set forth in the Indenture. The provisions of the Indenture which relate to the amount and payment of the Management Fee shall not be amended without the consent of the Portfolio Manager. If on any Payment Date there are insufficient funds to pay such fee (and/or any other amounts due and payable to the Portfolio Manager) in full, the amount not so paid shall be deferred and shall be payable with accrued interest on such later Payment Date on which funds are available therefor as provided in the definition of "Subordinated Management Fee" in the Indenture.

(b) The Portfolio Manager shall be responsible for the ordinary expenses incurred in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement; provided, however, that any extraordinary expenses incurred by the Collateral Manager in the performance of such obligations (including, but not limited to, any fees, expenses or other amounts payable to the Rating Agencies, the Collateral Administrator, the Trustee, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent and the accountants appointed by the Issuer, the reasonable expenses incurred by the Portfolio Manager to employ outside lawyers or consultants reasonably necessary in connection with the evaluation, transfer or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation, any reasonable expenses incurred by the Portfolio Manager in obtaining advice from outside counsel with respect to its obligations under this Agreement, brokerage commissions, transfer fees, registration costs, taxes and other similar costs and transaction related expenses and fees arising out of transactions effected for the Issuer's account and the portion allocated to the Issuer of any other fees and expenses that the Portfolio Manager customarily allocates among all of the funds or



portfolios that it manages) shall be reimbursed by the Issuer to the extent funds are available therefor in accordance with and subject to the limitations contained in the Indenture.

(c) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 12, Section 14 or otherwise, the fees payable to the Portfolio Manager shall be prorated for any partial periods between Payment Dates during which this Agreement was in effect and shall be due and payable on the first Payment Date following the date of such termination and on any subsequent Payment Dates to the extent remaining unpaid and in accordance with, and to the extent provided in, the Indenture.

9. Benefit of the Agreement.

The Portfolio Manager agrees that its obligations hereunder shall be enforceable at the instance of the Issuer, the Trustee, on behalf of the Holders of the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities, or the requisite percentage of Holders of the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities or Holders of Class E Certificates, as applicable, as provided in the Indenture or the Class E Certificates Paying Agency Agreement, as applicable.

10. Limits of Portfolio Manager Responsibility; Indemnification.

(a) The Portfolio Manager assumes no responsibility under this Agreement other than to render the services called for hereunder and under the terms of the Indenture made applicable to it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement in good faith and, subject to the standard of conduct described in the next sentence, shall not be responsible for any action of the Issuer or the Trustee in following or declining to follow any advice, recommendation or direction of the Portfolio Manager. The Portfolio Manager, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, and its Affiliates and their directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, shall not be liable to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Holders of the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent, the Holders of the Class E Certificates or any other person for any losses, claims, damages, judgments, assessments, costs or other liabilities (collectively, "Liabilities") incurred by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Holders of the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities, the Class E Certificates Paying Agent, the Holders of the Class E Certificates or any other person that arise out of or in connection with the performance by the Portfolio Manager of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture, except by reason of (i) acts or omissions constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, gross negligence or breach of fiduciary duty in the performance, or reckless disregard, of the obligations of the Portfolio Manager hereunder and under the terms of the Indenture applicable to it or (ii) with respect to any information included in the Offering Circular in the sections entitled "The Portfolio Manager" that contains any untrue statement of material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) collectively being the "Portfolio Manager Breaches"). For the avoidance of doubt, the Portfolio Manager shall have no duty to independently investigate any laws not otherwise known to it in connection with its obligations under this Agreement and the Indenture. When purchasing, managing, selling or terminating Collateral Obligations on behalf of the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager shall be deemed to have satisfied the requirements in clause (bb) of the definition of Collateral Obligation, in the final sentence of Section 7.12(a) and in Sections 7.8(a)(xi) and 7.16(m) of the Indenture, in each case, as to the manner of acquisition, if it satisfies each of the requirements set forth in Section I and Section II of Schedule 1 hereto. When entering into, performing under and terminating Hedge Agreements on behalf of the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager shall be deemed to have satisfied the requirements in Section 14.2(k)(ii) of the Indenture as to U.S. federal income tax if it satisfies the requirements set forth in Section III of Schedule 1 hereto.

(b) The Issuer shall indemnify and hold harmless (the Issuer in such case, the “Indemnifying Party”) the Portfolio Manager, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees (such parties collectively in such case, the “Indemnified Parties”) from and against any and all Liabilities, and shall reimburse each such Indemnified Party for all reasonable fees and expenses (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) (collectively, the “Expenses”) as such Expenses are incurred in investigating, preparing, pursuing or defending any claim, action, proceeding or investigation with respect to any pending or threatened litigation (collectively, the “Actions”), caused by, or arising out of or in connection with, the issuance of the Securities, the transactions contemplated by the Offering Circular, the Indenture or this Agreement, and/or any action taken by, or any failure to act by, such Indemnified Party; provided, however, that no Indemnified Party shall be indemnified for any Liabilities or Expenses it incurs as a result of any acts or omissions by any Indemnified Party constituting Portfolio Manager Breaches. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the obligations of the Issuer under this Section 10 shall be payable solely out of the Collateral in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Indenture and shall survive termination of this Agreement.

(c) With respect to any claim made or threatened against an Indemnified Party, or compulsory process or request or other notice of any loss, claim, damage or liability served upon an Indemnified Party, for which such Indemnified Party is or may be entitled to indemnification under this Section 10, such Indemnified Party shall (or with respect to Indemnified Parties that are directors, officers, stockholders, agents or employees of the Portfolio Manager, the Portfolio Manager shall cause such Indemnified Party to):

(i) give written notice to the Indemnifying Party of such claim within ten (10) days after such Indemnified Party’s receipt of actual notice that such claim is made or threatened, which notice to the Indemnifying Party shall specify in reasonable detail the nature of the claim and the amount (or an estimate of the amount) of the claim; provided, however, that the failure of any Indemnified Party to provide such notice to the Indemnifying Party shall not relieve the Indemnifying Party of its obligations under this Section 10 unless the Indemnifying Party is materially prejudiced or otherwise forfeits rights or defenses by reason of such failure;

(ii) at the Indemnifying Party’s expense, provide the Indemnifying Party such information and cooperation with respect to such claim as the Indemnifying Party may reasonably require, including, but not limited to, making appropriate personnel available to the Indemnifying Party at such reasonable times as the Indemnifying Party may request;

(iii) at the Indemnifying Party’s expense, cooperate and take all such steps as the Indemnifying Party may reasonably request to preserve and protect any defense to such claim;

(iv) in the event suit is brought with respect to such claim, upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Indemnifying Party the right, which the Indemnifying Party may exercise in its sole discretion and at its expense, to participate in the investigation, defense and settlement of such claim;

(v) neither incur any material expense to defend against nor release or settle any such claim or make any admission with respect thereto (other than routine or incontestable admissions or factual admissions the failure to make which would expose such Indemnified Party to unindemnified liability) nor permit a default or consent to the

entry of any judgment in respect thereof, in each case without the prior written consent of the Indemnifying Party; and

(vi) upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Indemnifying Party the right, in its sole discretion and at its sole expense, to assume the defense of such claim, including, but not limited to, the right to designate counsel reasonably acceptable to the Indemnified Party and to control all negotiations, litigation, arbitration, settlements, compromises and appeals of such claim; provided, that if the Indemnifying Party assumes the defense of such claim, it shall not be liable for any fees and expenses of counsel for any Indemnified Party incurred thereafter in connection with such claim except that if such Indemnified Party reasonably determines that counsel designated by the Indemnifying Party has a conflict of interest in connection with its representation of such Indemnified Party, such Indemnifying Party shall pay the reasonable fees and disbursements of one counsel (in addition to any local counsel) separate from its own counsel for all Indemnified Parties in connection with any one action or separate but similar or related actions in the same jurisdiction arising out of the same general allegations or circumstances; provided, further, that prior to entering into any final settlement or compromise, such Indemnifying Party shall seek the consent of the Indemnified Party and use its commercially reasonable efforts in the light of the then prevailing circumstances (including, without limitation, any express or implied time constraint on any pending settlement offer) to obtain the consent of such Indemnified Party as to the terms of settlement or compromise. If an Indemnified Party does not consent to the settlement or compromise within a reasonable time under the circumstances, the Indemnifying Party shall not thereafter be obligated to indemnify the Indemnified Party for any amount in excess of such proposed settlement or compromise.

(d) In the event that any Indemnified Party waives its right to indemnification hereunder, the Indemnifying Party shall not be entitled to appoint counsel to represent such Indemnified Party nor shall the Indemnifying Party reimburse such Indemnified Party for any costs of counsel to such Indemnified Party.

(e) The U.S. federal securities laws impose liabilities under certain circumstances on persons who act in good faith; accordingly, notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, nothing herein shall in any way constitute a waiver or limitation of any rights which the Issuer, the Holders of Securities may have under any U.S. federal securities laws.

#### 11. No Partnership or Joint Venture.

The Issuer and the Portfolio Manager are not partners or joint venturers with each other and nothing herein shall be construed to make them such partners or joint venturers or impose any liability as such on either of them. The Portfolio Manager's relation to the Issuer shall be deemed to be that of an independent contractor.

#### 12. Term; Termination.

(a) This Agreement shall commence as of the date first set forth above and shall continue in force and effect until the first of the following occurs: (i) the payment in full of the Notes, the termination of the Indenture in accordance with its terms and the redemption in full of the Class E Certificates; (ii) the liquidation of the Collateral and the final distribution of the proceeds of such liquidation to the Holders of the Notes, the Holders of the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class E

Certificates Paying Agent; or (iii) the termination of this Agreement in accordance with subsection (b), (c), (d) or (e) of this Section 12 or Section 14 of this Agreement.

(b) Subject to Section 12(f) below, the Portfolio Manager may resign, upon 90 days' written notice to the Issuer (or such shorter notice as is acceptable to the Issuer). If the Portfolio Manager resigns, the Issuer agrees to appoint a successor Portfolio Manager to assume such duties and obligations in accordance with Section 12(f).

(c) Subject to Section 12(f) below, the Portfolio Manager may be removed without cause upon 90 days' prior written notice by the Issuer, at the direction of the Holders of at least 66 2/3% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Class E Certificates (excluding Class E Certificates held by the Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates or any account for which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority at the time of such vote); provided, however, that the Portfolio Manager shall have the right to avoid any such removal if, on or prior to the proposed removal date the following conditions are satisfied: (i) the Portfolio Manager provides written notice, not less than 20 Business Days prior to the proposed removal date, to the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Class E Certificates), the Issuer and the Trustee that the Portfolio Manager intends to purchase not less than all of the Class E Certificates voting for such removal from the Holders thereof (the "Directing Class E Certificates"), (ii) in the notice provided to the Class E Certificates Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Class E Certificates) in the preceding clause (i), the Portfolio Manager includes a statement to the effect that each Holder of Class E Certificates who did not vote for removal may provide written notice to the Portfolio Manager not later than 5 Business Days prior to the proposed removal date that the Class E Certificates held by such Holder shall be deemed to be included in the Directing Class E Certificates as provided in the preceding clause (i), and (iii) the Portfolio Manager effects the purchase of not less than all of the Directing Class E Certificates (including, for the avoidance of doubt, Class E Certificate Components of Class P Securities and Class Q-1 Securities in accordance with the Indenture) at the Buy-out Amount. If all of the conditions set forth in the preceding sentence are satisfied on or prior to the proposed removal date, the Portfolio Manager shall continue as the Portfolio Manager under this Agreement. For purposes of this Section 12(c), "Buy-out Amount" means, with respect to the Directing Class E Certificates, an amount, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Directing Class E Certificates since the Closing Date, would cause the Directing Class E Certificates to have received (as of the date of the Portfolio Manager's purchase thereof) a Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return of 12.00% (assuming such purchase date was a "Payment Date" under the Indenture); provided that in the case of any such purchase by the Portfolio Manager on a date after the Payment Date in November 2018, and solely with respect to any single Holder of Directing Class E Certificates holding U.S. \$30,000,000 or more in aggregate Face Amount of Class E Certificates, an amount, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Holder's Directing Class E Certificates since the Closing Date, would cause such Directing Class E Certificates to have received (as of the date of the Portfolio Manager's purchase there) a Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return of 15.00% (assuming such purchase date was a "Payment Date" under the Indenture). If the applicable Directing Class E Certificates have already received a Class E Certificate Internal Rate of Return of such respective levels, the Buy-out Amount will be zero.

(d) This Agreement shall be automatically terminated in the event that the Issuer determines in good faith that the Issuer or the pool of Collateral has become required to be registered under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, and the Issuer notifies the Portfolio Manager thereof.

(e) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to this Section 12, neither party shall have any further liability or obligation to the other, except as provided in Sections 2(c)(i), 8, 10 and 15 of this Agreement.

(f) No removal, termination or resignation of the Portfolio Manager shall be effective unless the Issuer appoints a successor Portfolio Manager (a) (i) at the written direction of a Super Majority of the Class E Certificates (excluding any Class E Certificates held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority), (ii) such successor has agreed in writing to assume all of the Portfolio Manager's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture, (iii) a Majority of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class of Notes has consented to the appointment of such successor portfolio manager and (iv) such successor portfolio manager is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single Class (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority)); or (b) if a Super Majority of the Class E Certificates (excluding any Class E Certificates held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority) has nominated two or more successor portfolio managers that have either not been consented to pursuant to the preceding clause (a)(iii) or been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (a)(iv) or has otherwise failed to appoint a successor portfolio manager that has been consented to pursuant to the preceding clause (a)(iii) and is not objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (a)(iv) within 30 days of the date of notice of such removal, termination or resignation of the Portfolio Manager, then (i) at the direction of the Holders of at least a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class appoint a successor portfolio manager, (ii) such successor has agreed in writing to assume all of the Portfolio Manager's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture and (iii) such successor portfolio manager is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Majority of the Class E Certificates (excluding any Class E Certificates held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority) or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single Class (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority)); or (c) if a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class fails to appoint a successor portfolio manager pursuant to the preceding clause (b) within 90 days of the date of notice of such removal, termination or resignation of the Portfolio Manager, the Holders of a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class may petition a court of competent authority to appoint a successor portfolio manager. In addition, any successor Portfolio Manager must be an established institution which (i) has demonstrated an ability to professionally and competently perform duties similar to those imposed upon the Portfolio Manager hereunder, (ii) is legally qualified and has the capacity to act as Portfolio Manager hereunder, as successor to the Portfolio Manager under this Agreement in the assumption of all of the responsibilities, duties and obligations of the Portfolio Manager hereunder and under the applicable terms of the Indenture, (iii) shall not cause the Issuer or the pool of Collateral to become required to register under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, (iv) shall perform its duties as Portfolio Manager under this Agreement and the Indenture without causing the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Holder of Class E Certificates to become subject to tax in any jurisdiction where such successor Portfolio Manager is established as doing business and (v) each Rating Agency has confirmed that the appointment of such successor Portfolio Manager shall not cause its then-current rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn. No compensation payable to a successor from payments on the Collateral shall be greater than that paid to the Portfolio Manager without the prior written consent of the Holders of a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class of Notes, the Holders of a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting collectively) and a Majority of the Class E Certificates. The Issuer, the Trustee and the successor Portfolio Manager shall take such action (or cause the retiring Portfolio Manager to take such action) consistent with this Agreement and the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager, as shall be necessary to effectuate any such succession.

(g) In the event of removal of the Portfolio Manager pursuant to this Agreement, the Issuer shall have all of the rights and remedies available with respect thereto at law or equity, and, without limiting the foregoing, the Issuer or, to the extent so provided in the Indenture, the Trustee may by notice in writing to the Portfolio Manager as provided under this Agreement terminate all the rights and obligations of the Portfolio Manager under this Agreement (except those that survive termination pursuant to Section 12(e) above). Upon expiration of the applicable notice period with respect to termination specified in this Section 12 or Section 14 of this Agreement, as applicable, all authority and power of the Portfolio Manager under this Agreement, whether with respect to the Collateral or otherwise, shall automatically and without further action by any person or entity pass to and be vested in the successor Portfolio Manager upon the appointment thereof.

### 13. Delegation; Assignments.

This Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Portfolio Manager hereunder, shall not be delegated by the Portfolio Manager, in whole or in part, except to any entity that (i) is controlled by two or more of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers and (ii) is one in which two or more of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers is involved in the day to day management and operations (and in any such case pursuant to an instrument of delegation in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer), without the prior written consent of the Issuer, a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes and a Majority of the Class E Certificates (excluding Class E Certificates held by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates or any account for which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority); provided that such delegation shall not cause the Issuer to be subject to tax in the United States, and, notwithstanding any such consent, no delegation of obligations or duties by the Portfolio Manager (including, without limitation, to an entity described above) shall relieve the Portfolio Manager from any liability hereunder.

Subject to Section 12, any assignment of this Agreement to any Person, in whole or in part, by the Portfolio Manager shall be deemed null and void unless (i) such assignment is consented to in writing by the Issuer, the Holders of at least 66 2/3% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class of Notes and the Holders of a Majority of the Class E Certificates (excluding Class E Certificates held by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates or any account for which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority), (ii) the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to any such assignment and (iii) such assignee or delegate shall not cause the Issuer to be subject to tax in the United States. Any assignment consented to by the Issuer and such Noteholders and Holders of Class E Certificates shall bind the assignee hereunder in the same manner as the Portfolio Manager is bound. In addition, the assignee shall execute and deliver to the Issuer and the Trustee a counterpart of this Agreement naming such assignee as Portfolio Manager. Upon the execution and delivery of such a counterpart by the assignee and consent thereto by the Issuer, such Noteholders and such Holders of the Class E Certificates, the Portfolio Manager shall be released from further obligations pursuant to this Agreement, except with respect to its obligations arising under Section 10 of this Agreement prior to such assignment and except with respect to its obligations under Sections 2(c)(i) and 15 hereof. This Agreement shall not be assigned by the Issuer without the prior written consent of the Portfolio Manager and the Trustee, except in the case of assignment by the Issuer to (i) an entity which is a successor to the Issuer permitted under the Indenture, in which case such successor organization shall be bound hereunder and by the terms of said assignment in the same manner as the Issuer is bound thereunder or (ii) the Trustee as contemplated by the Indenture. In the event of any assignment by the Issuer, the Issuer shall cause its successor to execute and deliver to the Portfolio Manager such documents as the Portfolio Manager shall consider reasonably necessary to effect fully such assignment. The Portfolio Manager hereby consents to the matters set forth in Article 15 of the Indenture.

14. Termination by the Issuer for Cause.

Subject to Section 12(f) above, this Agreement shall be terminated, and the Portfolio Manager shall be removed, by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee or by the Holders of a Majority of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class of Notes or by Holders of at least 66 2/3% of the Class E Certificates (excluding any Class E Certificates held by the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates or any account for which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority at the time of such vote), in each case for “cause” upon 10 days’ prior written notice to the Portfolio Manager and upon written notice to the Noteholders and the Holders of the Class E Certificates as set forth below. For purposes of determining “cause” with respect to any such termination of this Agreement, such term shall mean any one of the following events:

(a) the Portfolio Manager willfully breaches in any respect, or takes any action that it knows violates in any respect, any provision of this Agreement or any terms of the Indenture applicable to it;

(b) the Portfolio Manager breaches in any material respect any provision of this Agreement or any terms of the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement applicable to it, or any representation, warranty, certification or statement given in writing by the Portfolio Manager shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or given, and the Portfolio Manager fails to cure such breach or take such action so that the facts (after giving effect to such action) conform in all material respects to such representation, warranty, certificate or statement, in each case within 30 days of becoming aware of, or receiving notice from, the Trustee of, such breach or materially incorrect representation, warranty, certificate or statement;

(c) the Portfolio Manager is wound up or dissolved (other than a dissolution in which the remaining members elect to continue the business of the Portfolio Manager in accordance with its Governing Instruments) or there is appointed over it or a substantial portion of its assets a receiver, administrator, administrative receiver, trustee or similar officer, or the Portfolio Manager (i) ceases to be able to, or admits in writing its inability to, pay its debts as they become due and payable, or makes a general assignment for the benefit of or enters into any composition or arrangement with, its creditors generally; (ii) applies for or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, assignee, custodian, liquidator or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Portfolio Manager or of any substantial part of its properties or assets, or authorizes such an application or consent, or proceedings seeking such appointment are commenced without such authorization, consent or application against the Portfolio Manager and continue undismissed for 60 days; (iii) authorizes or files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, or applies for or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the application of any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, readjustment of debt, insolvency or dissolution, or authorizes such application or consent, or proceedings to such end are instituted against the Portfolio Manager without such authorization, application or consent and are approved as properly instituted and remain undismissed for 60 days or result in adjudication of bankruptcy or insolvency; or (iv) permits or suffers all or any substantial part of its properties or assets to be sequestered or attached by court order and the order remains undismissed for 60 days;

(d) the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture that results from any breach by the Portfolio Manager of its duties under the Indenture or this Agreement, which breach or default is not cured within any applicable cure period; or

(e) (x) the occurrence of an act by the Portfolio Manager related to its activities in any securities, financial advisory or other investment business that constitutes fraud, (y) the

Portfolio Manager being indicted, or any of its principals being convicted, of a felony criminal offense related to its activities in any securities, financial advisory or other investment business or (z) the Portfolio Manager being indicted for, adjudged liable in a civil suit for, or convicted of a violation of the Securities Act or any other United States Federal securities law or any rules or regulations thereunder.

If any of the events specified in this Section 14 shall occur, the Portfolio Manager shall give prompt written notice thereof to the Issuer, the Trustee, the Class E Certificate Paying Agent and the Holders of all outstanding Notes and Class E Certificates upon the Portfolio Manager's becoming aware of the occurrence of such event. The Controlling Class of Notes and a Majority of the Holders of the Class E Certificates (excluding any Class E Certificates held by the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates) may, acting together, waive any event described above as a basis for termination of this Agreement and removal of the Portfolio Manager under this Section 14.

15. Action Upon Termination.

(a) From and after the effective date of termination of this Agreement, the Portfolio Manager shall not be entitled to compensation for further services hereunder, but shall be paid all compensation accrued to the date of termination, as provided in Section 8 hereof, and shall be entitled to receive any amounts owing under Section 10 hereof. Upon the effective date of termination of this Agreement, the Portfolio Manager shall as soon as practicable:

(i) deliver to the Issuer all property and documents of the Trustee or the Issuer or otherwise relating to the Collateral, the Class P-1 Collateral and the Class P-2 Collateral then in the custody of the Portfolio Manager; and

(ii) deliver to the Trustee an accounting with respect to the books and records delivered to the Trustee or the successor Portfolio Manager appointed pursuant to Section 12(f) hereof.

Notwithstanding such termination, the Portfolio Manager shall remain liable to the extent set forth herein (but subject to Section 10 hereof) for its acts or omissions hereunder arising prior to termination and for any expenses, losses, damages, liabilities, demands, charges and claims (including reasonable attorneys' fees) in respect of or arising out of a breach of the representations and warranties made by the Portfolio Manager in Section 16(b) hereof or from any failure of the Portfolio Manager to comply with the provisions of this Section 15.

(b) The Portfolio Manager agrees that, notwithstanding any termination, it shall reasonably cooperate in any Proceeding arising in connection with this Agreement, the Indenture or any of the Collateral (excluding any such Proceeding in which claims are asserted against the Portfolio Manager or any Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager) upon receipt of appropriate indemnification and expense reimbursement.

16. Representations and Warranties.

(a) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants to the Portfolio Manager as follows:

(i) The Issuer has been duly registered and is validly existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands, has full power and authority to own its assets and the securities proposed to be owned by it and included in the Collateral and to transact the business in which it is presently engaged and is duly qualified under the laws of each



jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Indenture, the Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities or the Class E Certificates would require, such qualification, except for failures to be so qualified, authorized or licensed that would not in the aggregate have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Issuer.

(ii) The Issuer has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement, the Indenture, the Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class E Certificates and all obligations required hereunder, under the Indenture, the Notes and the Class E Certificates and has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement, the Indenture, the Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class E Certificates on the terms and conditions hereof and thereof and the execution by the Issuer, delivery and performance of this Agreement, the Indenture, the Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class E Certificates and the performance of all obligations imposed upon it hereunder and thereunder. No consent of any other person including, without limitation, stockholders and creditors of the Issuer, and no license, permit, approval or authorization of, exemption by, notice or report to, or registration, filing or declaration with, any governmental authority, other than those that may be required under state securities or "blue sky" laws and those that have been or shall be obtained in connection with the Indenture and the issuance of the Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class E Certificates, is required by the Issuer in connection with this Agreement, the Indenture, the Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities or the Class E Certificates or the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Agreement, the Indenture, the Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities or the Class E Certificates or the obligations imposed upon it hereunder or thereunder. This Agreement constitutes, and each instrument or document required hereunder, when executed and delivered hereunder, shall constitute, the legally valid and binding obligation of the Issuer enforceable against the Issuer in accordance with its terms, subject to (a) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights and (b) general equitable principles.

(iii) The execution by the Issuer, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the documents and instruments required hereunder shall not violate any provision of any existing law or regulation binding on the Issuer, or any order, judgment, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or governmental authority binding on the Issuer, or the Governing Instruments of, or any securities issued by, the Issuer or of any mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking to which the Issuer is a party or by which the Issuer or any of its assets may be bound, the violation of which would have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Issuer, and shall not result in or require the creation or imposition of any lien on any of its property, assets or revenues pursuant to the provisions of any such mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking (other than the lien of the Indenture).

(iv) The Issuer is not in violation of its Governing Instruments or in breach or violation of or in default under the Indenture or any contract or agreement to which it is a party or by which it or any of its assets may be bound, or any applicable statute or any rule, regulation or order of any court, government agency or body having jurisdiction over the Issuer or its properties, the breach or violation of which or default under which would have a material adverse effect on the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the performance by the Issuer of its duties hereunder.

(v) True and complete copies of the Indenture and the Issuer's Governing Instruments have been delivered to the Portfolio Manager.

The Issuer agrees to deliver a true and complete copy of each amendment to the documents referred to in Section 16(a)(v) above to the Portfolio Manager as promptly as practicable after its adoption or execution.

(b) The Portfolio Manager hereby represents and warrants to the Issuer as follows:

(i) The Portfolio Manager is a limited partnership duly organized and validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware, has full power and authority to own its assets and to transact the business in which it is currently engaged and is duly qualified and in good standing under the laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of this Agreement would require such qualification, except for those jurisdictions in which the failure to be so qualified, authorized or licensed would not have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Portfolio Manager or on the ability of the Portfolio Manager to perform its obligations under, or on the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement and the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager.

(ii) The Portfolio Manager has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement and all obligations required hereunder and under the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager, and has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement on the terms and conditions hereof and the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and all obligations required hereunder and under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager. No consent of any other person, including, without limitation, creditors of the Portfolio Manager, and no license, permit, approval or authorization of, exemption by, notice or report to, or registration, filing or declaration with, any governmental authority is required by the Portfolio Manager in connection with this Agreement or the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the obligations required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager. This Agreement has been, and each instrument and document required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture shall be, executed and delivered by a duly authorized partner of the Portfolio Manager, and this Agreement constitutes, and each instrument and document required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture when executed and delivered by the Portfolio Manager hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture shall constitute, the valid and legally binding obligations of the Portfolio Manager enforceable against the Portfolio Manager in accordance with their terms, subject to (a) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights and (b) general equitable principles.

(iii) The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager and the documents and instruments required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture shall not violate or conflict with any provision of any existing law or regulation binding on or applicable to the Portfolio Manager, or any order, judgment, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or governmental authority binding on the Portfolio Manager, or the Governing Instruments of, or any securities issued by the Portfolio Manager or of any mortgage, indenture, lease,

contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking to which the Portfolio Manager is a party or by which the Portfolio Manager or any of its assets may be bound, the violation of which would have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Portfolio Manager or its ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement and the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager, and shall not result in or require the creation or imposition of any lien on any of its material property, assets or revenues pursuant to the provisions of any such mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking.

(iv) There is no charge, investigation, action, suit or proceeding before or by any court pending or, to the best knowledge of the Portfolio Manager, threatened that, if determined adversely to the Portfolio Manager, would have a material adverse effect upon the performance by the Portfolio Manager of its duties under, or on the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement and the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager hereunder.

(v) The Portfolio Manager is a registered investment advisor under the United States Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended.

(vi) The Portfolio Manager is not in violation of its Governing Instruments or in breach or violation of or in default under any contract or agreement to which it is a party or by which it or any of its property may be bound, or any applicable statute or any rule, regulation or order of any court, government agency or body having jurisdiction over the Portfolio Manager or its properties, the breach or violation of which or default under which would have a material adverse effect on the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager, or the performance by the Portfolio Manager of its duties hereunder.

17. Notices.

Unless expressly provided otherwise herein, all notices, requests, demands and other communications required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing (including by telecopy) and shall be deemed to have been duly given, made and received when delivered against receipt or upon actual receipt of registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, or, in the case of telecopy notice, when received in legible form, addressed as set forth below:

(a) If to the Issuer:

Liberty CLO, Ltd.  
c/o Walkers SPV Limited  
P.O. Box 908GT  
Walker House  
Mary Street  
George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands  
Telephone: (345) 945-3727  
Telecopy: (345) 945-4757  
Attention: The Directors

(b) If to the Portfolio Manager:

Highland Capital Management, L.P.  
Two Galleria Tower  
13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300  
Dallas, Texas 75240  
Telephone: (972) 628-4100  
Telecopy: (972) 628-4147  
Attention: James Dondero

(c) If to the Trustee:

JPMorgan Chase Bank  
600 Travis Street, 50<sup>th</sup> Floor,  
Houston, Texas 77002  
Telecopy: (713) 216-2101  
Attention: Worldwide Securities Services—Liberty CLO, Ltd.

(d) If to the Holders of the Notes and the Holders of the Class Q-1 Securities:

In accordance with Section 14.4 of the Indenture, at their respective addresses set forth on the Note Register.

(e) If to the Holders of the Class E Certificates:

In accordance with Section 14.4 of the Indenture, to the Class E Certificate Paying Agent at the address identified therein.

(f) if to the Rating Agencies:

In accordance with Section 14.4 of the Indenture, to the rating Agencies at the address identified therein.

Any party may alter the address or telecopy number to which communications or copies are to be sent by giving notice of such change of address in conformity with the provisions of this Section 17 for the giving of notice.

18. Binding Nature of Agreement; Successors and Assigns.

This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns as provided herein. The Portfolio Manager hereby consents to the collateral assignment of this Agreement as provided in the Indenture and further agrees that the Trustee may enforce the Portfolio Manager's obligations hereunder.

19. Entire Agreement.

This Agreement contains the entire agreement and understanding among the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements, understandings, inducements and conditions, express or implied, oral or written, of any nature whatsoever with respect to the subject matter hereof. The express terms hereof control and supersede any course of performance and/or usage of the trade inconsistent with any of the terms hereof. This Agreement may not be modified or amended other than by an agreement in writing executed by the parties hereto and in accordance with the terms of Section 14.1(f)(v) of the Indenture.

20. Conflict with the Indenture.

Subject to the last two sentences of Section 2(a)(ii), in the event that this Agreement requires any action to be taken with respect to any matter and the Indenture requires that a different action be taken with respect to such matter, and such actions are mutually exclusive, the provisions of the Indenture in respect thereof shall control.

21. Priority of Payments.

The Portfolio Manager agrees that the payment of all amounts to which it is entitled pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture shall be due and payable only in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Indenture and only to the extent funds are available for such payments in accordance with such priorities.

22. Governing Law.

**THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS PROVISIONS THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION.**

23. Indulgences Not Waivers.

Neither the failure nor any delay on the part of any party hereto to exercise any right, remedy, power or privilege under this Agreement shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power or privilege preclude any other or further exercise of the same or of any other right, remedy, power or privilege, nor shall any waiver of any right, remedy, power or

privilege with respect to any occurrence be construed as a waiver of such right, remedy, power or privilege with respect to any other occurrence. No waiver shall be effective unless it is in writing and is signed by the party asserted to have granted such waiver.

24. Costs and Expenses.

Except as may otherwise be agreed in writing, the costs and expenses (including the fees and disbursements of counsel and accountants) incurred by each party in connection with the negotiation and preparation of and the execution of this Agreement, and all matters incident thereto, shall be borne by such party.

25. Titles Not to Affect Interpretation.

The titles of paragraphs and subparagraphs contained in this Agreement are for convenience only, and they neither form a part of this Agreement nor are they to be used in the construction or interpretation hereof.

26. Execution in Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts by facsimile or other written form of communication, each of which shall be deemed to be an original as against any party whose signature appears thereon, and all of which shall together constitute one and the same instrument. This Agreement shall become binding when one or more counterparts hereof, individually or taken together, shall bear the signatures of all of the parties reflected hereon as the signatories.

27. Provisions Separable.

In case any provision in this Agreement shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable as written, such provision shall be construed in the manner most closely resembling the apparent intent of the parties with respect to such provision so as to be valid, legal and enforceable; provided, however, that if there is no basis for such a construction, such provision shall be ineffective only to the extent of such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability and, unless the ineffectiveness of such provision destroys the basis of the bargain for one of the parties to this Agreement, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions hereof or thereof shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

28. Number and Gender.

Words used herein, regardless of the number and gender specifically used, shall be deemed and construed to include any other number, singular or plural, and any other gender, masculine, feminine or neuter, as the context requires.

29. Written Disclosure Statement.

The Issuer and the Trustee acknowledge receipt of Part II of the Portfolio Manager's Form ADV filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, as required by Rule 204-3 under the Advisers Act, more than 48 hours prior to the date of execution of this Agreement.

30. Miscellaneous.

(a) In the event that any vote is solicited with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, shall vote or refrain from voting any such

security in any manner permitted by the Indenture that the Portfolio Manager has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities. In addition, with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, may instruct the trustee for such Defaulted Collateral Obligation to enforce the Issuer's rights under the Underlying Instruments governing such Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any applicable law, rule or regulation in any manner permitted under the Indenture that the Portfolio Manager has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities. In the event any Offer is made with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, may take such action as is permitted by the Indenture and that the Portfolio Manager has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities.

(b) In connection with taking or omitting any action under the Indenture or this Agreement, the Portfolio Manager may consult with counsel and may rely in good faith on the advice of such counsel or any opinion of counsel.

Without prejudice to Section 14(f) hereof, any corporation, partnership or limited liability company into which the Portfolio Manager may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any corporation, partnership or limited liability company resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Portfolio Manager shall be a party, or any corporation, partnership or limited liability company succeeding to all or substantially all of the collateral management business of the Portfolio Manager, shall be the successor to the Portfolio Manager without any further action by the Portfolio Manager, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Noteholders or any other person or entity.

### 31. Limitation of Liabilities.

The Issuer's obligations hereunder are solely the corporate obligations of the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager shall not have any recourse to any of the directors, officers, shareholders, members or incorporators of the Issuer with respect to any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations in connection with any transactions contemplated hereby, except for any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations caused by the gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct of such directors, officers, shareholders, members or incorporators of the Issuer. The obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be limited to the net proceeds of the Collateral, if any, and following realization of the Collateral and its application in accordance with the Indenture, any outstanding obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. The provisions of this section shall survive termination of this Agreement.

### 32. Consent to Posting of Documents on Repository.

The Portfolio Manager hereby consents to (i) the posting of the final Offering Circular, the Indenture and any Hedge Agreements (collectively, the "Documents") and the periodic reports to be delivered pursuant to the Documents and any amendments or other modifications thereto on the Repository (as such term is defined in the Indenture) for use in the manner provided in the Repository; and (ii) the display of its name on the Repository in connection therewith.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT,  
L.P., as Portfolio Manager

BY: STRAND ADVISORS, INC., as  
General Partner

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

Name:

Title:

James Dondero, CFA, CPA  
President  
Highland Capital Management, L.P.

LIBERTY CLO, LTD., as Issuer

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

Name:

Title:




IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., as  
Portfolio Manager

BY: STRAND ADVISORS, INC., as General  
Partner

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

LIBERTY CLO, LTD., as Issuer

By:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: David Egglshaw  
Title: Director

## Schedule 1

### Certain Tax Provisions

Capitalized terms used but not defined herein will have the meanings ascribed to them in the Indenture.

#### Section I. Specific Restrictions.

##### A. Communications and Negotiations with Issuers.

Neither the Issuer nor the Portfolio Manager will have any communications or negotiations with the issuer of a Collateral Obligation or the issuer of a Reference Obligation (in any case, directly or indirectly through an intermediary such as the seller of such Collateral Obligation or the Synthetic Security) in connection with the issuance or funding of such Collateral Obligation or Reference Obligation or commitments with respect thereto, except for communications of an immaterial nature or customary due diligence communications; provided, that the Portfolio Manager may (i) consent to or withhold consent to any proposed amendments, supplements or other modifications of the term of any Collateral Obligations after such Collateral Obligations are acquired by the Issuer, and (ii) provide comments as to mistakes or inconsistencies in loan documents (including with respect to any provisions that are inconsistent with the terms and conditions of purchase of the loan by the Issuer).

##### B. Collateralized Obligations Purchased from the Portfolio Manager and Affiliates.

If the Portfolio Manager or an affiliate of the Portfolio Manager acted as an underwriter, placement or other agent, arranger, negotiator or structuror in connection with the issuance or origination of a Collateral Obligation or was a member of the original lending syndicate with respect to the Collateral Obligation, the Issuer will not acquire any interest in such Collateral Obligation (including entering into a commitment or agreement, whether or not legally binding or enforceable, to acquire such obligation directly or synthetically), from the Portfolio Manager, an affiliate of the Portfolio Manager, or a fund managed by the Portfolio Manager, unless such Collateral Obligation is a "Permitted Affiliated Collateral Obligation," which shall require that (i) the Collateral Obligation has been outstanding for at least 90 days, (ii) the holder of the Collateral Obligation did not identify the obligation or security as intended for sale to the Issuer within 90 days of its issuance, (iii) the employees or agents of the Portfolio Manager responsible for selecting Collateral Obligations for the Issuer were not directly involved in the origination of the Collateral Obligation on behalf of the Portfolio Manager, an affiliate of the Portfolio Manager, or a fund managed by the Portfolio Manager (e.g. responsible for approving or reviewing the lending decision, participation in a credit committee reviewing any loan proposed to be made), (iv) the price paid for such obligation by the Issuer is its fair market value at the time of acquisition by the Issuer, (v) after the acquisition the Issuer will own less than 50% of the aggregate principal amount of the tranche or class of the borrowing that includes such Collateral Obligation and (vi) the addition of such Collateral Obligation to the portfolio would not cause 25% or more of the Collateral Obligations to consist of Permitted Affiliated Collateral Obligations.

##### C. Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans.

(i) The Issuer will not purchase any Collateral Obligation that constitutes a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan unless the legal document closing with respect

thereto has occurred and either (x) at least one advance of more than a de minimis amount has already been made under the facility or loan of which the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, respectively, is a part by a Person that is not an Affiliate of the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager or (y) such Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan is not a stand-alone Revolving Loan or a stand-alone Delayed Drawdown Loan and such Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan is being acquired in connection with the related loan.

(ii) All of the terms of any advance required to be made by the Issuer under any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan will be fixed as of the date of the Issuer's purchase thereof (or will be determinable under a formula that is fixed as of such date), and the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager will not have any discretion (except for consenting or withholding consent to amendments, waivers or other modifications or granting customary waivers upon default) as to whether to make advances under such Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan.

(iii) The Issuer cannot acquire or hold more than a 50% interest in a Revolving Loan or a Delayed Drawdown Loan.

#### D. Application to Synthetic Securities.

With respect to each Synthetic Security: (a) the criteria used to determine whether to enter into any particular Synthetic Security is similar to the criteria used by the Portfolio Manager in making investment decisions in debt securities; (b) the Synthetic Security is acquired by or entered into by the Issuer for its own account and for investment purposes with the expectation of realizing a profit from income earned on the securities and/or any rise in their value during the interval of time between their purchase and sale or hedging purposes and not with an intention to trade or to sell for a short-term profit; (c) the Issuer enters into the Synthetic Security with a counterparty that is a broker-dealer or that holds itself out as in the business of entering into such contracts; (d) none of the Issuer and any other person acting on behalf of the Issuer advertises or publishes the Issuer's ability to enter into Synthetic Securities; and (e) except with respect to (x) credit-linked notes or similar Synthetic Securities and (y) any other Synthetic Securities where standard form ISDA documentation is not applicable, the Synthetic Security is written on standard form ISDA documentation.

### Section II. Restrictions with Respect to Loans and Forward Purchase Commitments.

A. Any understanding or commitment to purchase a loan, a participation, a loan subparticipation or a collateralized loan obligation (collectively, "Loans") from a seller before completion of the closing and full funding of the Loan by such seller must be treated as a forward sale agreement (a "Forward Purchase Commitment") unless such an understanding or commitment is not legally binding and neither the Issuer nor the Portfolio Manager is economically compelled to purchase the Loan following the completion of the closing and full funding of the Loan (i.e., the Portfolio Manager will make an independent investment decision whether to purchase such Loan on behalf of the Issuer after completion of the closing and full funding of the Loan) (a "Non-Binding Agreement").

B. No Forward Purchase Commitment or Non-Binding Agreement shall be made until after the seller (or a transferor to such seller of such Loan) has made a legally binding commitment to fully fund such Loan to the obligor thereof, (subject to customary conditions), which commitment cannot be conditioned on the Issuer's ultimate purchase of such Loan from such seller.

C. In the event of any reduced or eliminated funding, the Issuer shall not receive any premium, fee, or other compensation in connection with having entered into the Forward Purchase Commitment or Non-Binding Commitment.

D. The Issuer shall not close any purchase of a Loan subject to a Forward Purchase Commitment earlier than 48 hours after the time of the closing and full funding of the Loan.

E. The Issuer cannot have a contractual relationship with the borrower with respect to a Loan until the Issuer actually purchases the Loan.

F. The Issuer cannot be a signatory on the lending agreement or otherwise acquire a loan as a member of the original lending syndicate, and cannot be obligated to fund an assignment of or a participation in a Loan prior to the actual funding of the Loan by the institutions lending to the borrower.

G. The Issuer cannot purchase or commit to purchase a Loan if it would cause the Issuer to own more than 50% of the aggregate principal amount of the tranche or class of the borrowing that includes such Loan.

### Section III. Hedge Agreements.

When entering into, performing under or terminating a hedge agreement:

A. The Issuer and the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer, shall not solicit, advertise, publish or otherwise hold the Issuer out as willing to execute or facilitate trades in, enter into, assume, offset or terminate derivative instruments or transactions in the ordinary course of business; and

B. The Issuer shall enter into hedge agreements (1) on standard form ISDA documentation, (2) solely for the purpose of hedging currency risk, interest risk, basis risk, and other non-credit related financial risk in connection with the Issuer's issuance of, and making payments on, the Notes and the Issuer's ownership and disposition of the Collateral, and (3) that it will treat as "notional principal contracts" for all applicable U.S. federal tax purposes except as otherwise may be required by any taxing authority.

## **EXHIBIT NN**

**DATED JULY 31, 2006 OFFERING MEMORANDUM****Red River CLO Ltd.  
Red River CLO Corp.**

U.S.\$657,000,000 Class A Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2018  
 U.S.\$45,000,000 Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2018  
 U.S.\$40,500,000 Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2018  
 U.S.\$45,000,000 Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2018  
 U.S.\$31,500,000 Class E Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2018  
 36,000 Class I Preference Shares  
 45,000 Class II Preference Shares

Red River CLO Ltd. (the “**Issuer**”) and Red River CLO Corp. (the “**Co-Issuer**” and, together with the Issuer, the “**Co-Issuers**”) will issue the Class A Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the “**Class A Notes**”), the Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the “**Class B Notes**”), the Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes (the “**Class C Notes**”) and the Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes (the “**Class D Notes**” and, together with the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes, the “**Senior Notes**”) and the Issuer will issue the Class E Floating Senior Secured Deferrable Extendable Notes (the “**Class E Notes**” and, together with the Senior Notes, the “**Notes**”), the Class I Preference Shares (the “**Class I Preference Shares**”) and the Class II Preference Shares (the “**Class II Preference Shares**” and, together with the Class I Preference Shares, the “**Preference Shares**” and, together with the Notes, the “**Securities**”), U.S.\$ 0.01 par value per share, in each case in the aggregate principal amounts or number of Preference Shares as described above. The Notes will be issued on or about August 3, 2006 (the “**Closing Date**”) pursuant to an indenture, dated as of the Closing Date (the “**Indenture**”), among the Co-Issuers and U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee (the “**Trustee**”). The Preference Shares will be issued on or about the Closing Date pursuant to and subject to the terms of the Preference Share Documents. The Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares are subject to multiple extensions to the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (in the case of the Notes) and the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (in the case of the Preference Shares), if the Issuer provides timely notice and the Extension Conditions are satisfied as described herein.

The net proceeds of the offering of the Securities will be applied by the Issuer to repurchase participation interests in certain Collateral Obligations sold to finance the purchase of such Collateral Obligations prior to the Closing Date and to purchase additional Collateral Obligations on and after the Closing Date, all of which will be pledged under the Indenture by the Issuer to the Trustee for the benefit of the secured parties named therein. See “Use of Proceeds.”

Highland Capital Management, L.P. (“**Highland Capital**” or, in such capacity, the “**Servicer**”) will service the Issuer’s portfolio.

The Securities are being offered from time to time in negotiated transactions at varying prices determined at the time of each sale.

This Offering Memorandum constitutes a prospectus (the “**Prospectus**”) for the purposes of Directive 2003/71/EC (the “**Prospectus Directive**”). Application has been made to the Irish Financial Services Regulatory Authority, as competent authority under the Prospectus Directive for this Prospectus to be approved. Application has been made to the Irish Stock Exchange for the Senior Notes to be admitted to the Official List and trading on its regulated market.

**For a discussion of certain factors regarding the Co-Issuers and the Securities that, among other things, should be considered by prospective purchasers of the Securities, see “Risk Factors.”**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN, AND WILL NOT BE, REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “**SECURITIES ACT**”) AND NEITHER THE ISSUER NOR THE CO-ISSUER WILL BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**”). THE SENIOR NOTES WILL BE OFFERED AND SOLD TO NON-U.S. PERSONS (AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT (“**REGULATION S**”)) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN RELIANCE ON REGULATION S. THE SENIOR NOTES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, U.S. PERSONS EXCEPT TO PERSONS THAT ARE (I) ACCREDITED INVESTORS AS DEFINED IN RULE 501(a) OF REGULATION D UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT (EACH, AN “**ACCREDITED INVESTOR**”) IN RELIANCE ON THE EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS PROVIDED BY SECTION 4(2) OF THE SECURITIES ACT (“**SECTION 4(2)**”) AND (II)(A) QUALIFIED PURCHASERS FOR PURPOSES OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT (“**SECTION 3(c)(7)**”) (EACH, A “**QUALIFIED PURCHASER**”) OR (B) AN ENTITY OWNED EXCLUSIVELY BY QUALIFIED PURCHASERS. THE CLASS E NOTES AND THE PREFERENCE SHARES WILL BE OFFERED AND SOLD ONLY TO PERSONS THAT ARE (I) QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYERS (AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT (“**RULE 144A**”)) (EACH, A “**QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER**”) IN RELIANCE ON THE EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS PROVIDED BY SECTION 4(2) AND (II) (A) QUALIFIED PURCHASERS OR (B) AN ENTITY OWNED EXCLUSIVELY BY QUALIFIED PURCHASERS. THE SECURITIES ARE NOT TRANSFERABLE EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS DESCRIBED UNDER “TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS.”

The Senior Notes other than the Senior Notes offered and sold directly by the Co-Issuers to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates (the “**Placed Notes**”) will be offered by the Co-Issuers on a reasonable efforts basis through IXIS Securities North America Inc. and IXIS Corporate & Investment Bank (collectively, the “**IXIS Placement Agents**”) and, with respect to a portion of the Class A Notes only, also through UBS Securities LLC and UBS Limited (each, a subsidiary of UBS AG and each acting through UBS AG’s global investment banking and securities business (“**UBS Investment Bank**”)) (collectively, the “**UBS Placement Agents**”) and, together with the IXIS Placement Agents, the “**Placement Agents**”) from time to time at varying prices in negotiated transactions subject to prior sale, when, as and if issued. The Placement Agents reserve the right to withdraw, cancel or modify such offer and to reject orders in whole or in part. On or about the Closing Date, (i) all of the Class E Notes will be offered and sold directly by the Issuer to the Servicer and/or one or more of its Affiliates; (ii) all of the Class I Preference Shares will be offered and sold directly by the Issuer to Red River Investors Corp., an exempted limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands (“**Investors Corp.**”) and (iii) all of the Class II Preference Shares will be offered and sold by the Issuer directly to Highland Financial Partners, L.P. (“**HFP**”) (an Affiliate of the Servicer) and/or one or more of its subsidiaries. The Placement Agents are not acting as placement agents or initial purchasers with respect to the offering of the Class E Notes or the Preference Shares.



Co-Placement Agent



Co-Placement Agent

<b>UBS INVESTMENT BANK</b>
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Co-Placement Agent for Class A Notes

Payment of interest on, and principal of, the Notes will be made by the Issuer in U.S. Dollars on the first day of each February, May, August and November of each year (or if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day) (each such date a “**Payment Date**”), commencing February 1, 2007, to the extent of available cash flow in respect of the Collateral in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Each Class of Notes will bear interest at the per annum rates set forth under “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.” The Preference Shares will receive as dividends certain amounts available for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments. In addition, Holders of the Class II Preference Shares are entitled, subject to any restrictions under Cayman Islands law, to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments equivalent to the proceeds that would otherwise constitute Servicing Fees payable to the Servicer during the first two years following the Closing Date. After the two-year anniversary of the Closing Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Issuer to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. See “Description of the Securities—Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Preference Shares from Interest Proceeds” and “—Priority of Payments.”

The Notes will be subject to Optional Redemption in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period, in each case at the direction of the Holders of at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares. The Notes will be subject to mandatory redemption on any Payment Date, to the extent that any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied, as described herein. The Notes will be subject to Special Redemption, at the discretion of the Servicer, to the extent that at any time during the Replacement Period, the Servicer cannot identify satisfactory additional or replacement Collateral Obligations. After redemption in full of the Notes, the Preference Shares will be subject to Optional Redemption in whole or in part on any Payment Date by the Issuer at the direction of the Holders of the requisite percentage of the Preference Shares at the applicable Redemption Price pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted; *provided, however*, that the Preference Shares must be redeemed on or prior to the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. See “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption,” “—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes,” “—Special Redemption of Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture” and “—Priority of Payments.” The principal amount of the Notes will be payable at the Stated Maturity, unless redeemed or paid in full prior thereto. The Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed at their Redemption Price on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, unless redeemed prior thereto.

Certain pledged assets of the Issuer are the sole source of payments on the Securities. The Securities do not represent an interest in or obligations of, and are not insured or guaranteed by, the Holders of the Preference Shares, the Servicer, the Trustee, any paying agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty or any of their respective Affiliates.

**Application will be made to list the Senior Notes on the Irish Stock Exchange (the “ISE”). However, there can be no assurance that the ISE will in fact accept the listing of the Senior Notes or, if accepted, that such listing will be maintained.**

It is a condition of the issuance of the Securities that (i) the Class A Notes be rated “Aaa” by Moody’s Investors Service, Inc. (“**Moody’s**”) and “AAA” by Standard & Poor’s Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. (“**S&P**” and, together with Moody’s, the “**Rating Agencies**”), (ii) the Class B Notes be rated at least “Aa2” by Moody’s and at least “AA” by S&P, (iii) the Class C Notes be rated at least “A2” by Moody’s and at least “A” by S&P, (iv) the Class D Notes be rated at least “Baa2” by Moody’s and at least “BBB” by S&P and (v) the Class E Notes be rated at least “Ba2” by Moody’s and at least “BB” by S&P. Each of the above ratings assumes that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date. A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject

to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning Rating Agency. The Preference Shares will not be rated by any credit rating agency.

No person has been authorized to make or provide any representation or information regarding the Co-Issuers or the Securities other than as contained in this Offering Memorandum. Any such representation or information should not be relied upon as having been authorized by the Co-Issuers or the Placement Agents. The delivery of this Offering Memorandum at any time does not imply that the information contained in it is correct as of any time subsequent to the date of this Offering Memorandum. The Co-Issuers disclaim any obligation to update such information and do not intend to do so. Unless otherwise indicated, all information in this Offering Memorandum is given as of the date of this Offering Memorandum.

This Offering Memorandum has been prepared by the Co-Issuers solely for use in connection with the listing of the Senior Notes and the offering of the Securities as described herein. Unless as otherwise provided herein, the Co-Issuers have taken reasonable care to ensure that facts stated in this Offering Memorandum are true and accurate in all material respects and that there have not been omitted material facts the omission of which would make misleading in any material respect any statements of fact or opinion herein. The Co-Issuers accept responsibility accordingly.

The information appearing in the section entitled “The Servicer” has been prepared by the Servicer and has not been independently verified by the Placement Agents or the Co-Issuers. The Placement Agents and the Co-Issuers do not assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness, or applicability of such information, except that the Co-Issuers assume responsibility for accurately reproducing such information in this Offering Memorandum.

None of the Placement Agents, (except with respect to the section entitled “The Servicer”) the Servicer or the Trustee makes any representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the accuracy or completeness of the information in this Offering Memorandum. Each person receiving this Offering Memorandum acknowledges that such person has not relied on the Placement Agents, (except with respect to the section entitled “The Servicer”) the Servicer or the Trustee or any person affiliated therewith, in connection with its investigation of the accuracy of such information or its investment decision. Each person contemplating making an investment in the Securities must make its own investigation and analysis of the creditworthiness of the Co-Issuers and its own determination of the suitability of any such investment, with particular reference to its own investment objectives and experience, and any other factors that may be relevant to it in connection with such investment.

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION OR OTHER REGULATORY AUTHORITY, AND NONE OF THE FOREGOING AUTHORITIES HAS CONFIRMED THE ACCURACY OR DETERMINED THE ADEQUACY OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

This Offering Memorandum contains summaries of certain documents. The summaries do not purport to be complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to such documents. Each person receiving this Offering Memorandum acknowledges that such person has been afforded an opportunity to request from the Issuer and to review, and has received, all additional information considered by such person to be necessary to verify the accuracy and completeness of the information herein. Requests and inquiries regarding this Offering Memorandum or such documents should be directed to the Issuer, in care of IXIS Securities North America Inc., 9 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street, 36<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York, 10019, Attention: Structured Credit Products Group. Such requests may also be made to the Listing Agent at the address set forth on the final page of this Offering Memorandum.



The Securities are a new issue of securities. There can be no assurance that a secondary market for any of the Securities will develop, or if a secondary market does develop, that it will provide the Holders of such Securities with liquidity of investment or that it will continue. Accordingly, investors should be prepared to bear the risks of holding the Securities until final payment is made thereon.

THE CONTENTS OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM ARE NOT TO BE CONSTRUED AS ACCOUNTING, LEGAL, BUSINESS OR TAX ADVICE. EACH PROSPECTIVE INVESTOR SHOULD CONSULT ITS OWN ACCOUNTANT, ATTORNEY, BUSINESS ADVISOR AND TAX ADVISOR AS TO LEGAL, BUSINESS AND TAX ADVICE. NONE OF THE CO-ISSUERS, THE PLACEMENT AGENTS, THE SERVICER OR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES MAKES ANY REPRESENTATION TO ANY OFFEREE OF THE SECURITIES REGARDING THE LEGALITY OF AN INVESTMENT THEREIN BY SUCH OFFEREE UNDER APPLICABLE LEGAL INVESTMENT OR SIMILAR LAWS OR REGULATIONS OR THE PROPER CLASSIFICATION OF SUCH AN INVESTMENT THEREUNDER.

This Offering Memorandum does not constitute an offer of, or an invitation by or on behalf of, the Co-Issuers or the Placement Agents to subscribe to or purchase any of the Securities in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful to make such an offer or invitation. The distribution of this Offering Memorandum and the offering of the Securities in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law. Persons into whose possession this Offering Memorandum comes are required by the Co-Issuers and the Placement Agents to inform themselves about and to observe any such restrictions. For a description of certain further restrictions on offers and sales of Securities and distribution of this Offering Memorandum, see “Description of the Securities,” “Plan of Distribution” and “Transfer Restrictions.”

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has been registered under the United States Investment Company Act of 1940 (the “**Investment Company Act**”) in reliance on an exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Section 3(c)(7) under the Investment Company Act (“**Section 3(c)(7)**”). Each purchaser of Senior Notes represented by an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will be deemed to represent and agree and each purchaser of Class E Notes will be required to represent and agree that (i) the purchaser is acquiring such Notes in a principal amount of not less than U.S.\$250,000, and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof for such purchaser and each account for which such purchaser is purchasing such Notes and (ii) the purchaser and each such account is (a) a Qualified Purchaser for purposes of Section 3(c)(7) (“**Qualified Purchaser**”) or (b) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers. Each purchaser of Preference Shares will be required to represent and agree that (i) the purchaser is acquiring such Preference Shares in a number of not less than 100 Preference Shares and in integral multiples of one Preference Share in excess thereof for such purchaser and (ii) the purchaser and each account for which such purchaser is purchasing such Preference Shares is (a) a Qualified Purchaser or (b) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers. See “Transfer Restrictions.”

The Issuer and the Co-Issuer may, at any time following the Closing Date, rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act (“**Rule 3a-7**”) in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7) upon (a) receipt of an opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm providing that neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer is required to register as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on such exclusion under Rule 3a-7 and (b) notice to the Holders of the Securities in accordance with the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. In connection with the Issuer’s reliance on Rule 3a-7 in lieu of Section 3(c)(7), the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents may be amended without the consent of any Holders and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7.

No invitation to subscribe for the Securities may be made to the public in the Cayman Islands.

Prospective purchasers are hereby notified that a seller of the Securities may be relying on an exemption from the registration requirements of Section 5 of the United States Securities Act of 1933 (the “**Securities Act**”) provided by Section 4(2) of the Securities Act (“**Section 4(2)**”).

In this Offering Memorandum references to “Dollars,” “\$” and “U.S.\$” are dollars or other equivalent units in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for all debts, public and private.

**NO ACTION WAS TAKEN OR IS BEING CONTEMPLATED BY THE CO-ISSUERS THAT WOULD PERMIT A PUBLIC OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES OR POSSESSION OR DISTRIBUTION OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY AMENDMENT THEREOF, OR SUPPLEMENT THERETO OR ANY OTHER OFFERING MATERIAL RELATING TO THE SECURITIES IN ANY JURISDICTION (OTHER THAN IRELAND) WHERE, OR IN ANY OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH, ACTION FOR THOSE PURPOSES IS REQUIRED. NOTHING CONTAINED HEREIN SHALL CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO SELL OR A SOLICITATION OF AN OFFER TO PURCHASE ANY SECURITIES IN ANY JURISDICTION WHERE IT IS UNLAWFUL TO DO SO ABSENT THE TAKING OF SUCH ACTION OR THE AVAILABILITY OF AN EXEMPTION THEREFROM.**

#### **NOTICE TO NEW HAMPSHIRE RESIDENTS**

NEITHER THE FACT THAT A REGISTRATION STATEMENT OR AN APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE HAS BEEN FILED UNDER CHAPTER 421-B OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE REVISED STATUTES WITH THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE NOR THE FACT THAT A SECURITY IS EFFECTIVELY REGISTERED OR A PERSON IS LICENSED IN THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CONSTITUTES A FINDING BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE THAT ANY DOCUMENT FILED UNDER RSA 421-B IS TRUE, COMPLETE AND NOT MISLEADING. NEITHER ANY SUCH FACT NOR THE FACT THAT AN EXEMPTION OR EXCEPTION IS AVAILABLE FOR A SECURITY OR A TRANSACTION MEANS THAT THE SECRETARY OF STATE HAS PASSED IN ANY WAY UPON THE MERITS OR QUALIFICATIONS OF, OR RECOMMENDED OR GIVEN APPROVAL TO, ANY PERSON, SECURITY, OR TRANSACTION. IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE, OR CAUSE TO BE MADE, TO ANY PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER, CUSTOMER, OR CLIENT ANY REPRESENTATION INCONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PARAGRAPH.

#### **NOTICE TO FLORIDA RESIDENTS**

THE SECURITIES ARE OFFERED PURSUANT TO A CLAIM OF EXEMPTION UNDER SECTION 517.061 OF THE FLORIDA SECURITIES ACT AND HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER SAID ACT IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA. ALL FLORIDA RESIDENTS WHO ARE NOT INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 517.061(7) OF THE FLORIDA SECURITIES ACT HAVE THE RIGHT TO VOID THEIR PURCHASE OF THE SECURITIES, WITHOUT PENALTY, WITHIN THREE (3) DAYS AFTER THE FIRST TENDER OF CONSIDERATION.

#### **NOTICE TO GEORGIA RESIDENTS**

THE SECURITIES WILL BE ISSUED OR SOLD IN RELIANCE ON PARAGRAPH (13) OF CODE SECTION 10-5-9 OF THE GEORGIA SECURITIES ACT OF 1973, AND MAY NOT BE SOLD OR

TRANSFERRED EXCEPT IN A TRANSACTION WHICH IS EXEMPT UNDER SUCH ACT OR PURSUANT TO AN EFFECTIVE REGISTRATION UNDER SUCH ACT.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF AUSTRALIA**

NEITHER THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM NOR ANY OTHER PROSPECTUS OR DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT IN RELATION TO THE SECURITIES HAS BEEN LODGED WITH, OR REGISTERED BY, THE AUSTRALIAN SECURITIES AND INVESTMENTS COMMISSION ("ASIC").

- (1) NO OFFER OR INVITATION OF AN OFFER OF THE SECURITIES FOR ISSUE OR SALE HAS BEEN MADE OR WILL BE MADE IN AUSTRALIA (INCLUDING AN OFFER OR INVITATION WHICH IS RECEIVED BY A PERSON IN AUSTRALIA); AND
- (2) NO DISTRIBUTION OR PUBLICATION OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY OTHER OFFERING MATERIAL OR ADVERTISEMENT RELATING TO THE SECURITIES IN AUSTRALIA HAS BEEN MADE OR WILL BE MADE, UNLESS (A) THE MINIMUM AGGREGATE CONSIDERATION PAYABLE BY EACH OFFEREE IS AT LEAST A\$500,000 (DISREGARDING MONEYS LENT BY THE OFFEROR OR ITS ASSOCIATES) OR THE OFFER OTHERWISE DOES NOT REQUIRE DISCLOSURE TO INVESTORS IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 6D.2 OF THE CORPORATIONS ACT, AND (B) SUCH ACTION COMPLIES WITH ALL APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF AUSTRIA**

THE SECURITIES MAY ONLY BE OFFERED IN THE REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE AUSTRIAN CAPITAL MARKET ACT AND OTHER LAWS APPLICABLE IN THE REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA GOVERNING THE OFFER, ISSUE AND SALE OF THE SECURITIES IN THE REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA. THE SECURITIES ARE NOT REGISTERED OR OTHERWISE AUTHORISED FOR PUBLIC OFFER EITHER UNDER THE CAPITAL MARKET ACT, THE INVESTMENT FUND ACT OR ANY OTHER SECURITIES REGULATION IN AUSTRIA. THE RECIPIENTS OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM AND OTHER SELLING MATERIAL IN RESPECT OF THE SECURITIES HAVE BEEN INDIVIDUALLY SELECTED AND ARE TARGETED EXCLUSIVELY ON THE BASIS OF A PRIVATE PLACEMENT. THE SECURITIES ARE EXCLUSIVELY OFFERED TO A LIMITED NUMBER OF INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS AND ARE THEREFORE NOT SUBJECT TO THE PUBLIC OFFERING REQUIREMENTS OF THE AUSTRIAN CAPITAL MARKETS ACT (SECTION 3 PARA 1 ITEM 11). ACCORDINGLY, THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE, AND ARE NOT BEING, OFFERED OR ADVERTISED PUBLICLY OR OFFERED IN A SIMILAR MANNER UNDER EITHER THE CAPITAL MARKET ACT, THE INVESTMENT FUND ACT OR ANY OTHER SECURITIES REGULATION IN AUSTRIA. THIS OFFER MAY NOT BE MADE TO ANY OTHER PERSONS THAN THE RECIPIENTS TO WHOM THIS DOCUMENT IS PERSONALLY ADDRESSED. ANY INVESTOR INTENDING TO OFFER AND RESELL THE SECURITIES IN AUSTRIA IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE THAT ANY OFFER AND RESALE TAKES PLACE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE AUSTRIAN CAPITAL MARKET ACT, THE INVESTMENT FUND ACT OR ANY OTHER APPLICABLE SECURITIES REGULATION.

THE INFORMATION HEREIN CONTAINED IS NEITHER A PROSPECTUS UNDER THE AUSTRIAN CAPITAL MARKET ACT NOR PROSPECTUS INFORMATION AS DEFINED BY AUSTRIAN CIVIL OR COMMERCIAL LAWS RESPECTIVELY.

### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF BELGIUM**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM AND THE PROPOSED OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE SUBMITTED TO, AND HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED BY, THE BELGIAN BANKING, FINANCE AND INSURANCE COMMISSION (*COMMISSIE VOOR HET BANK-, FINANCIE- EN ASSURANTIEWEZEN / COMMISSION BANCAIRE, FINANCIÈRE ET DES ASSURANCES*). THE OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES TO THE PUBLIC IN BELGIUM WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE BELGIAN ACT OF APRIL 22, 2003 RELATING TO THE PUBLIC OFFERINGS OF SECURITIES, AND THE BELGIAN ROYAL DECREE OF JULY 7, 1999 ON THE PUBLIC NATURE OF FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS AND THE REGULATIONS ENACTED THEREUNDER, HAS NOT BEEN AUTHORISED. THE OFFERING MAY THEREFORE NOT BE ADVERTISED IN BELGIUM, AND THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD, TRANSFERRED OR DELIVERED TO, OR SUBSCRIBED TO BY, AND THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY OTHER INFORMATION IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING MAY NOT BE DISTRIBUTED, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, TO, ANY INDIVIDUAL OR LEGAL ENTITY IN BELGIUM, OTHER THAN IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH DO NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER OF THE SECURITIES TO THE PUBLIC IN BELGIUM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AFOREMENTIONED RULES AND REGULATIONS.

### **NOTICES TO RESIDENTS IN THE PROVINCES OF QUEBEC, ONTARIO AND BRITISH COLUMBIA IN CANADA**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS NOT, AND UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES IS TO BE CONSTRUED AS, AN ADVERTISEMENT OR PUBLIC OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES DESCRIBED HEREIN. NO SECURITIES COMMISSION OR SIMILAR AUTHORITY IN CANADA HAS IN ANY WAY PASSED JUDGMENT ON THE MERITS OF THE SECURITIES DESCRIBED HEREIN AND ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS AN OFFENCE.

NO INVITATION MAY BE MADE TO THE PUBLIC IN THE PROVINCES OF QUEBEC, ONTARIO AND BRITISH COLUMBIA IN CANADA TO SUBSCRIBE FOR THE SECURITIES. NO PRELIMINARY OR FINAL PROSPECTUS IS BEING FILED WITH THE SECURITIES COMMISSIONS OF THE SAID PROVINCES IN CANADA WITH RESPECT TO THE OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES, WHICH IS BEING MADE SOLELY PURSUANT TO EXEMPTIONS FROM PROSPECTUS REQUIREMENTS UNDER SECURITIES LEGISLATION OF THE SAID PROVINCES IN CANADA. THE ISSUER DOES NOT INTEND TO BECOME A 'REPORTING ISSUER' PURSUANT TO APPLICABLE CANADIAN SECURITIES LEGISLATION AND ACCORDINGLY IT IS NOT INTENDED THAT THE SECURITIES WILL EVER BECOME FREELY TRADABLE IN THE PROVINCES OF QUEBEC, ONTARIO AND BRITISH COLUMBIA. INVESTORS OF SECURITIES WILL BE PERMITTED TO RESELL SUCH SECURITIES ONLY PURSUANT TO AVAILABLE EXEMPTIONS FROM THE PROSPECTUS REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES LAW OF THE SAID PROVINCES IN CANADA.

### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS IN THE PROVINCE OF QUEBEC, CANADA**

THE OFFERING AND SALE OF THE SECURITIES MUST BE TO EITHER "SOPHISTICATED PURCHASERS" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTIONS 43, 44 AND 45 OF THE SECURITIES ACT (QUEBEC) OR PURCHASERS PURCHASING AS PRINCIPAL FOR THEIR OWN ACCOUNT THE SPECIFIED SECURITIES OF THE ISSUER HAVING A TOTAL COST OF SUBSCRIPTION OR PURCHASE IN EACH CASE OF AT LEAST CAD\$150,000.

## **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO, CANADA**

THIS OFFERING OF SPECIFIED SECURITIES IS BEING MADE PURSUANT TO EXEMPTIONS FROM THE PROSPECTUS REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO. INVESTORS RESIDENT IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO MUST BE PERSONS WHO ARE ACCREDITED INVESTORS UNDER ONTARIO SECURITIES COMMISSION RULE 45-501 EXEMPT DISTRIBUTIONS AND ARE PURCHASING AS PRINCIPAL.

IF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM, TOGETHER WITH ANY AMENDMENT HERETO, CONTAINS AN UNTRUE STATEMENT OF A MATERIAL FACT OR OMITS TO STATE A MATERIAL FACT THAT IS REQUIRED TO BE STATED OR IS NECESSARY IN ORDER TO MAKE ANY STATEMENT HEREIN NOT FALSE OR MISLEADING IN THE LIGHT OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH IT WAS MADE (HEREIN CALLED A “**MISREPRESENTATION**”) AND IT WAS A MISREPRESENTATION, ON THE DATE OF INVESTMENT, AN INVESTOR TO WHOM THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM WAS DELIVERED AND WHO PURCHASES THE SECURITIES OFFERED HEREUNDER SHALL HAVE, SUBJECT AS HEREINAFTER IN THIS PARAGRAPH PROVIDED, A RIGHT OF ACTION FOR DAMAGES OR ALTERNATIVELY, WHILE STILL THE OWNER OF THE SECURITIES, FOR RESCISSION, AGAINST THE ISSUER PROVIDED THAT:

(A) THE RIGHT OF ACTION FOR RESCISSION WILL BE EXERCISABLE ONLY IF THE INVESTOR GIVES NOTICE TO THE ISSUER NOT LATER THAN 180 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF INVESTMENT;

(B) THE RIGHT OF ACTION FOR DAMAGES WILL BE EXERCISABLE BY AN INVESTOR NO LATER THAN THE EARLIER OF 180 DAYS FROM THE DATE THAT THE INVESTOR FIRST HAD KNOWLEDGE OF THE FACTS GIVING RISE TO THE CAUSE OF ACTION, OR THREE YEARS FROM THE DATE OF INVESTMENT;

(C) THE ISSUER WILL NOT BE HELD LIABLE UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH IF THE INVESTOR PURCHASED THE SECURITIES WITH KNOWLEDGE OF THE MISREPRESENTATION;

(D) IN AN ACTION FOR DAMAGES, THE ISSUER WILL NOT BE LIABLE FOR ALL OR ANY PORTION OF SUCH DAMAGES THAT IT PROVES DO NOT REPRESENT THE DEPRECIATION IN VALUE OF THE SECURITIES OFFERED HEREBY AS A RESULT OF THE MISREPRESENTATION RELIED UPON;

(E) IN NO CASE WILL THE AMOUNT RECOVERABLE UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH EXCEED THE PRICE AT WHICH THE SECURITIES WERE SOLD TO AN INVESTOR; AND

(F) THE RIGHTS DESCRIBED ABOVE ARE IN ADDITION TO AND WITHOUT DEROGATION FROM ANY OTHER RIGHT OR REMEDY AVAILABLE AT LAW TO THE INVESTOR.

THE FOREGOING SUMMARY IS SUBJECT TO THE EXPRESS PROVISIONS OF THE SECURITIES ACT (ONTARIO) AND THE REGULATIONS THEREUNDER AND REFERENCE IS MADE THERETO FOR THE COMPLETE TEXT OF SUCH PROVISIONS.

THE ISSUER IS LOCATED OUTSIDE CANADA AND, ACCORDINGLY, IT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE FOR INVESTORS TO EFFECT SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN CANADA UPON THE ISSUER. IN ADDITION, ALL OR SUBSTANTIALLY ALL OF THE ASSETS OF THE ISSUER

WILL BE LOCATED OUTSIDE CANADA AND, AS A RESULT, IT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE TO SATISFY A JUDGMENT OBTAINED AGAINST THE ISSUER IN ONTARIO. MOREOVER, IT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE FOR INVESTORS TO ENFORCE A JUDGMENT OBTAINED IN CANADIAN COURTS AGAINST THE ISSUER IN THE JURISDICTION OF THE ISSUER.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS IN THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA**

THIS OFFERING OF SECURITIES IS BEING MADE PURSUANT TO EXEMPTIONS FROM THE PROSPECTUSES REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA. INVESTORS RESIDENT IN THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA MUST BE PERSONS WHO ARE ACCREDITED INVESTORS UNDER MULTILATERAL INSTRUMENT 45-103 CAPITAL RAISING EXEMPTIONS AND ARE PURCHASING AS PRINCIPAL.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF CAYMAN ISLANDS**

NO INVITATION MAY BE MADE TO THE PUBLIC IN THE CAYMAN ISLANDS TO SUBSCRIBE FOR THE SECURITIES UNLESS THE ISSUER IS LISTED ON THE CAYMAN ISLANDS STOCK EXCHANGE.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF DENMARK**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAS NOT BEEN FILED WITH OR APPROVED BY THE DANISH SUPERVISORY AUTHORITY OR ANY OTHER REGULATORY AUTHORITY IN THE KINGDOM OF DENMARK.

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED OR SOLD AND MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD OR DELIVERED DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY IN DENMARK, UNLESS IN COMPLIANCE WITH CHAPTER 12 OF THE DANISH ACT ON TRADING IN SECURITIES AND THE DANISH EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 166 OF 13TH MARCH 2003 ON THE FIRST PUBLIC OFFER OF CERTAIN SECURITIES ISSUED PURSUANT TO SUCH CHAPTER 12, AS AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AREA**

IN RELATION TO EACH MEMBER STATE OF THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AREA WHICH HAS IMPLEMENTED THE PROSPECTUS DIRECTIVE (EACH, A "RELEVANT MEMBER STATE"), THE PLACEMENT AGENTS SHALL REPRESENT AND AGREE WITH THE ISSUER THAT WITH EFFECT FROM AND INCLUDING THE DATE ON WHICH THE PROSPECTUS DIRECTIVE IS IMPLEMENTED IN THAT RELEVANT MEMBER STATE (THE "RELEVANT IMPLEMENTATION DATE"), IT HAS NOT MADE AND WILL NOT MAKE AN OFFER OF SECURITIES TO THE PUBLIC IN THAT RELEVANT MEMBER STATE EXCEPT THAT IT MAY, WITH EFFECT FROM AND INCLUDING THE RELEVANT IMPLEMENTATION DATE, MAKE AN OFFER OF SECURITIES TO THE PUBLIC IN THAT RELEVANT MEMBER STATE:

(I) IN THE PERIOD BEGINNING ON THE DATE OF PUBLICATION OF A PROSPECTUS IN RELATION TO THOSE SECURITIES WHICH HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY THE COMPETENT AUTHORITY IN THAT RELEVANT MEMBER STATE OR, WHERE APPROPRIATE, APPROVED IN ANOTHER RELEVANT MEMBER STATE AND NOTIFIED TO THE COMPETENT AUTHORITY IN THAT RELEVANT MEMBER STATE,

ALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROSPECTUS DIRECTIVE AND ENDING ON THE DATE WHICH IS 12 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF SUCH PUBLICATION;

(II) AT ANY TIME TO LEGAL ENTITIES WHICH ARE AUTHORISED OR REGULATED TO OPERATE IN THE FINANCIAL MARKETS OR, IF NOT SO AUTHORISED OR REGULATED, WHOSE CORPORATE PURPOSE IS SOLELY TO INVEST IN SECURITIES;

(III) AT ANY TIME TO ANY LEGAL ENTITY WHICH HAS TWO OR MORE OF (1) AN AVERAGE OF AT LEAST 250 EMPLOYEES DURING THE LAST FINANCIAL YEAR; (2) A TOTAL BALANCE SHEET OF MORE THAN EURO 43,000,000 AND (3) AN ANNUAL NET TURNOVER OF MORE THAN EURO 50,000,000, AS SHOWN IN ITS LAST ANNUAL OR CONSOLIDATED ACCOUNTS; OR

(IV) AT ANY TIME IN ANY OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH DO NOT REQUIRE THE PUBLICATION BY THE ISSUERS OF A PROSPECTUS PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 3 OF THE PROSPECTUS DIRECTIVE.

FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS PROVISION, THE EXPRESSION AN "OFFER OF SECURITIES TO THE PUBLIC" IN RELATION TO ANY SECURITIES IN ANY RELEVANT MEMBER STATE MEANS THE COMMUNICATION IN ANY FORM AND BY ANY MEANS OF SUFFICIENT INFORMATION ON THE TERMS OF THE OFFER AND THE SECURITIES TO BE OFFERED SO AS TO ENABLE AN INVESTOR TO DECIDE TO PURCHASE THE SECURITIES, AS THE SAME MAY BE VARIED IN THAT MEMBER STATE BY ANY MEASURE IMPLEMENTING THE PROSPECTUS DIRECTIVE IN THAT MEMBER STATE.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF FINLAND**

THIS DOCUMENT IS BEING DISTRIBUTED TO A LIMITED NUMBER OF PRE-SELECTED INVESTORS IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE THE OFFER OF SECURITIES IN CONNECTION WITH THIS DOCUMENT DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A PUBLIC OFFER AS DEFINED IN THE SECURITIES MARKET ACT OF THE REPUBLIC OF FINLAND. THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, TO ANY RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF FINLAND OR IN THE REPUBLIC OF FINLAND, EXCEPT PURSUANT TO APPLICABLE FINNISH LAWS AND REGULATIONS. SPECIFICALLY, THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, TO THE PUBLIC IN THE REPUBLIC OF FINLAND.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF FRANCE**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD TO THE PUBLIC IN FRANCE ("*APPEL PUBLIC À L'ÉPARGNE*"), AND NO OFFERING OR MARKETING MATERIALS RELATING TO THE SECURITIES MUST BE MADE AVAILABLE OR DISTRIBUTED IN ANY WAY THAT WOULD CONSTITUTE, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, AN OFFER TO THE PUBLIC IN THE REPUBLIC OF FRANCE.

THE SECURITIES MAY ONLY BE OFFERED OR SOLD IN FRANCE TO QUALIFIED INVESTORS ("*INVESTISSEURS QUALIFIÉS*"), TO A LIMITED GROUP OF INVESTORS ("*CERCLE RESTREINT D'INVESTISSEURS*") AND/OR TO PROVIDERS OF INVESTMENT SERVICES RELATING TO PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT FOR THE ACCOUNT OF THIRD PARTIES, AS

DEFINED IN AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLES L.411 1, L.411 2, D.411-1 THROUGH D.411-4 OF THE FRENCH *CODE MONÉTAIRE ET FINANCIER*.

PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS ARE INFORMED THAT:

(I) THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAS NOT BEEN SUBMITTED FOR CLEARANCE TO THE FRENCH FINANCIAL MARKET AUTHORITY (*AUTORITÉ DES MARCHÉS FINANCIERS*);

(II) IN COMPLIANCE WITH ARTICLES L.411-1; L.411-2, D.411-1 THROUGH D.411-4 OF THE FRENCH *CODE MONÉTAIRE ET FINANCIER*, ANY INVESTORS SUBSCRIBING FOR THE SECURITIES SHOULD BE ACTING FOR THEIR OWN ACCOUNT; AND

(III) THE DIRECT AND INDIRECT DISTRIBUTION OR SALE TO THE PUBLIC OF THE SECURITIES ACQUIRED BY THEM MAY ONLY BE MADE IN COMPLIANCE WITH ARTICLES L.411 1, L.411 2, L.412 1 AND L.621 8 OF THE FRENCH *CODE MONÉTAIRE ET FINANCIER*.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF GERMANY**

THE SECURITIES MAY ONLY BE ACQUIRED IN GERMANY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GERMAN SECURITIES PROSPECTUS ACT (*WERTPAPIERPROSPEKTGESETZ*) AND WITH THE GERMAN INVESTMENT ACT (*INVESTMENTGESETZ*).

NO PROSPECTUS HAS BEEN FILED WITH, APPROVED BY OR NOTIFIED TO THE GERMAN FEDERAL AGENCY FOR THE SUPERVISION OF FINANCIAL SERVICES (*BUNDESANSTALT FUER FINANYDIENSTLEISTUNGSAUFSICHT*). CONSEQUENTLY, THE SECURITIES ARE ONLY OFFERED ON A PRIVATE PLACEMENT BASIS TO QUALIFIED INVESTORS AS DEFINED IN SECTION 2 NO. 6 GERMAN SECURITIES PROSPECTUS ACT.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF GREECE**

ALL INFORMATION REGARDING THE OFFERING DESCRIBED HEREIN, INCLUDING THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM, IS CONFIDENTIAL AND NOT FOR PUBLIC USE. THE NOTES REFERRED TO IN THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAVE NOT AND WILL NOT BE LISTED ON THE ATHENS EXCHANGE OR APPROVED BY THE HELLENIC CAPITAL MARKET COMMISSION FOR DISTRIBUTION AND MARKETING TO THE PUBLIC IN GREECE. THE INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN DOES NOT AND SHALL NOT BE DEEMED TO CONSTITUTE AN INVITATION TO THE PUBLIC IN GREECE. THE NOTES REFERRED TO HEREIN MAY NOT BE DISTRIBUTED, OFFERED OR IN ANY WAY SOLD IN GREECE EXCEPT AS PERMITTED BY GREEK LAW. AS REGARDS GREEK PARTICIPANTS, THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM AND ALL RELATED MATERIAL ARE DIRECTED, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 4 OF PD 52/1992 SOLELY AT PERSONS IN THE CONTEXT OF THEIR PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES (INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS, INDICATIVELY THOSE REFERRING TO IN DECISION 9/201/10.10.00 OF THE GREEK CAPITAL MARKET COMMISSION, I.E. MUTUAL FUNDS, PORTFOLIO INVESTMENT COMPANIES, COMPANIES FOR THE PROVISION OF INVESTMENT SERVICES, CREDIT INSTITUTIONS, INSURANCE COMPANIES AND SOCIAL SECURITY FUNDS).



### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF HONG KONG**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED OR SOLD, AND WILL NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD IN HONG KONG, BY MEANS OF ANY DOCUMENT, OTHER THAN TO PERSONS WHOSE ORDINARY BUSINESS IS TO BUY OR SELL SHARES OR DEBENTURES, WHETHER AS PRINCIPAL OR AGENT, OR IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH DO NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO THE PUBLIC WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE (CAP. 32) OF HONG KONG. NO ADVERTISEMENT, INVITATION OR DOCUMENT RELATING TO THE SECURITIES, WHETHER IN HONG KONG OR ELSEWHERE, HAS BEEN OR WILL BE ISSUED, WHICH IS DIRECTED AT, OR THE CONTENTS OF WHICH ARE LIKELY TO BE ACCESSED OR READ BY, THE PUBLIC IN HONG KONG (EXCEPT IF PERMITTED TO DO SO UNDER THE SECURITIES LAWS OF HONG KONG) OTHER THAN WITH RESPECT TO SECURITIES WHICH ARE OR ARE INTENDED TO BE DISPOSED OF ONLY TO PERSONS OUTSIDE HONG KONG OR ONLY TO "PROFESSIONAL INVESTORS" WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE SECURITIES AND FUTURES ORDINANCE (CAP. 571) OF HONG KONG AND ANY RULES MADE THEREUNDER.

### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF HUNGARY**

THE SECURITIES MAY ONLY BE OFFERED FOR SUBSCRIPTION IN HUNGARY PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ACT CXX OF 2001 ON THE CAPITAL MARKETS. THE SECURITIES MAY ONLY BE RE-SOLD TO PERSONS IN HUNGARY WHO HAVE AN EXISTING DIRECT PERSONAL OR COMMERCIAL RELATIONSHIP WITH THE SELLER OF THE SECURITIES.

### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF IRELAND**

THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD AND WILL NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD IN IRELAND EXCEPT IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE SUCH OFFER CONSTITUTES AN OFFER OF A TYPE DESCRIBED IN ARTICLE 2 OF COUNCIL DIRECTIVE NO.89/298/EEC;

THE SECURITIES MAY NOT AND WILL NOT BE THE SUBJECT OF AN OFFER IN IRELAND WHICH MIGHT CONSTITUTE A BREACH OF SECTION 9(1), 23(1), 23(6) OR 23(7) OF THE INVESTMENT INTERMEDIARIES ACT 1995;

EXCEPT IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH DO NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO THE PUBLIC WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1963 (AS AMENDED) OF IRELAND (THE "1963 ACT"), THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD AND WILL NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD IN IRELAND OR ELSEWHERE BY MEANS OF ANY DOCUMENT PRIOR TO APPLICATION FOR LISTING OF THE SECURITIES BEING MADE AND THE ISE HAVING APPROVED THE RELEVANT OFFERING MEMORANDUM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES (STOCK EXCHANGE) REGULATIONS 1984 (AS AMENDED) OF IRELAND (THE "1984 REGULATIONS") AND THEREAFTER BY MEANS OF ANY DOCUMENT OTHER THAN (I) THE RELEVANT OFFERING MEMORANDUM AND/OR (II) A FORM OF APPLICATION ISSUED IN CONNECTION WITH THE SECURITIES WHICH INDICATES WHERE RELEVANT OFFERING MEMORANDUM CAN BE OBTAINED OR INSPECTED AND WHICH IS ISSUED WITH THE RELEVANT OFFERING MEMORANDUM;

THE SECURITIES WILL BE THE SUBJECT OF AN OFFER THAT WILL COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE 1963 ACT AND THE REGULATIONS IN IRELAND.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF ISRAEL**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AND SECURITIES OFFERED HEREUNDER MAY BE SOLD TO ISRAELI RESIDENTS ONLY IN A MANNER THAT WILL NOT CONSTITUTE AN “OFFER TO THE PUBLIC,” IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTIONS 15 AND 15A OF THE SECURITIES LAWS 1968. SPECIFICALLY, THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM MAY ONLY BE SOLD TO INVESTORS OF THE TYPES LISTED IN THE FIRST ADDENDUM OF THE SECURITIES LAW 1968, AND IN ADDITION TO NOT MORE THAN 35 OTHER INVESTORS RESIDENT IN ISRAEL DURING ANY GIVEN 12 MONTH PERIOD.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF ITALY**

THE OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES HAS NOT BEEN NOTIFIED TO, NOR AUTHORIZED BY, ANY COMPETENT ITALIAN AUTHORITY. THE SECURITIES MAY NOT, AND WILL NOT, BE OFFERED AND ANY COPIES OF THE OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY OTHER DOCUMENT RELATING TO THE SECURITIES MAY NOT, AND WILL NOT, BE DISTRIBUTED, IN THE CONTEXT OF AN OFFER, IN THE REPUBLIC OF ITALY.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF JAPAN**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN, AND WILL NOT BE, REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE LAW OF JAPAN (LAW NO. 25 OF 1948, AS AMENDED, THE “SEL”). NEITHER THE SECURITIES NOR ANY INTEREST THEREIN MAY BE OFFERED, SOLD, RESOLD OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN JAPAN OR TO OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF ANY RESIDENT OF JAPAN (WHICH TERM AS USED HEREIN MEANS ANY PERSON RESIDENT IN JAPAN, INCLUDING ANY CORPORATION OR OTHER ENTITY ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF JAPAN), OR TO OTHERS FOR RE-OFFERING OR SALE, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN JAPAN OR TO A RESIDENT OF JAPAN EXCEPT PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF, AND OTHERWISE IN COMPLIANCE WITH, THE SEL AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE LAW, REGULATIONS AND MINISTERIAL GUIDELINES OF JAPAN.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF JERSEY**

NO PERSON MAY CIRCULATE IN THE ISLAND OF JERSEY THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY OTHER OFFER FOR SALE OF ANY OF THE SECURITIES UNLESS SUCH OFFER DOES NOT, FOR THE PURPOSES OF ARTICLE 6 OF THE CONTROL OF BORROWING (JERSEY) ORDER 1958, AS AMENDED, CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO THE PUBLIC.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF KOREA**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE LAW OR THE INDIRECT INVESTMENT ASSET MANAGEMENT BUSINESS ACT OF KOREA. THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE AND WILL NOT BE DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, SOLD, OFFERED OR DELIVERED IN KOREA OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, ANY RESIDENT OF KOREA, OR TO OTHERS FOR RE-OFFERING OR RE-SALE DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY IN KOREA OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, ANY RESIDENT OF KOREA, EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PERMITTED UNDER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE LAW, THE FOREIGN EXCHANGE TRANSACTION LAW AND OTHER RELEVANT LAWS OF KOREA.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF LIECHTENSTEIN**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS BEING DISTRIBUTED TO A LIMITED NUMBER OF PROFESSIONAL INVESTORS IN LIECHTENSTEIN UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE THE OFFER OF THE SECURITIES IN CONNECTION WITH THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AND IS NOT INTENDED TO CONSTITUTE A PUBLIC OFFER AS DEFINED IN ART. 3 SEC. 1 OF THE LIECHTENSTEIN PROSPECTUS ACT.

THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY TO ANY RESIDENT OF THE PRINCIPALITY OF LIECHTENSTEIN WHO IS NOT A PROFESSIONAL INVESTOR IN THE SENSE OF ART. 4(d) OF THE LIECHTENSTEIN PROSPECTUS ACT.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF LUXEMBOURG**

THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED TO THE PUBLIC IN LUXEMBOURG, UNLESS THE APPLICABLE LEGAL AND REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS, IN PARTICULAR THE RULES SET FORTH IN THE 28TH DECEMBER 1990 GRAND DUCAL REGULATION (ON THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE DRAWING-UP, SCRUTINY AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE PROSPECTUS TO BE PUBLISHED WHERE TRANSFERABLE SECURITIES ARE OFFERED TO THE PUBLIC OR OF AN OFFERING MEMORANDUM TO BE PUBLISHED FOR THE ADMISSION OF TRANSFERABLE SECURITIES TO OFFICIAL STOCK EXCHANGE LISTING), AS AMENDED, HAVE BEEN COMPLIED WITH.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF NEW ZEALAND**

THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD OR DELIVERED, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY NOR MAY ANY OFFERING MEMORANDUM, ANY PRICING SUPPLEMENT OR ADVERTISEMENT IN RELATION TO ANY OFFER OF SECURITIES BE DISTRIBUTED, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, (IN EITHER CASE) IN NEW ZEALAND, OTHER THAN: (A) TO PERSONS: (I) WHOSE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS IS THE INVESTMENT OF MONEY OR WHO, IN THE COURSE OF AND FOR THE PURPOSES OF THEIR BUSINESS, HABITUALLY INVEST MONEY; OR (II) WHO ARE EACH REQUIRED TO PAY A MINIMUM SUBSCRIPTION/PURCHASE PRICE OF AT LEAST NZ\$500,000 FOR THE SECURITIES BEFORE THE ALLOTMENT OF THE SECURITIES; OR (III) WHO IN ALL THE CIRCUMSTANCES CAN PROPERLY BE REGARDED AS HAVING BEEN SELECTED OTHERWISE THAN AS MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC; OR (B) IN OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE THERE IS NO CONTRAVENTION OF THE SECURITIES ACT 1978 OF NEW ZEALAND.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE NETHERLANDS**

THE SECURITIES ARE NOT AND WILL NOT BE OFFERED IN THE NETHERLANDS OTHER THAN TO PERSONS WHO TRADE OR INVEST IN SECURITIES IN THE CONDUCT OF THEIR PROFESSION OR TRADE (WHICH INCLUDES BANKS, SECURITIES INTERMEDIARIES (INCLUDING DEALERS AND BROKERS), INSURANCE COMPANIES, PENSION FUNDS, OTHER INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS AND COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISES WHICH AS AN ANCILLARY ACTIVITY REGULARLY INVEST IN SECURITIES).

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF NORWAY**

THE OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES WILL NOT BE A PUBLIC OFFER IN NORWAY AND THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS INTENDED TO BE READ BY THE ADDRESSEES ONLY.

### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF PORTUGAL**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, ADVERTISED, SOLD OR DELIVERED AND WILL NOT BE DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY OFFERED, ADVERTISED, SOLD, RE-SOLD, RE-OFFERED OR DELIVERED IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH COULD QUALIFY AS A PUBLIC OFFER PURSUANT TO THE *CÓDIGO DOS VALORES MOBILIÁRIOS* OR IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH COULD QUALIFY THE ISSUE OF THE SECURITIES AS AN ISSUE IN THE PORTUGUESE MARKET. THE SECURITIES WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO PORTUGUESE “INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS” ONLY, WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE *CÓDIGO DOS VALORES MOBILIÁRIOS* AND WILL NOT BE DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY DISTRIBUTED TO THE PUBLIC OR TO UNDERTERMINED INVESTORS IN PORTUGAL OR ADVERTISED IN ANY PUBLIC MANNER IN PORTUGAL AND THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM, ANY OTHER DOCUMENT, CIRCULAR, ADVERTISEMENT OR ANY OFFERING MATERIAL WILL NOT BE DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY DISTRIBUTED EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS.

### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF SINGAPORE**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED AS A PROSPECTUS WITH THE MONETARY AUTHORITY OF SINGAPORE AND THE SECURITIES ARE OFFERED BY THE ISSUER PURSUANT TO EXEMPTIONS INVOKED UNDER SECTIONS 274 AND 275 OF THE SECURITIES AND FUTURES ACT (CHAPTER 289) OF SINGAPORE (THE “SFA”). ACCORDINGLY, THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD OR MADE THE SUBJECT OF AN INVITATION FOR SUBSCRIPTION OR PURCHASE, NOR MAY THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY OTHER OFFERING DOCUMENT OR MATERIAL RELATING TO THE SECURITIES, BE CIRCULATED OR DISTRIBUTED DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, TO ANY MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC IN SINGAPORE OTHER THAN (I) TO AN INSTITUTIONAL INVESTOR SPECIFIED IN SECTION 274 OF THE SFA, (II) TO A SOPHISTICATED INVESTOR, AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONDITIONS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 275 OF THE SFA OR (III) OR OTHERWISE PURSUANT TO, AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONDITIONS OF, ANY OTHER APPLICABLE PROVISION OF THE SFA.

### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF SPAIN**

THE OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES IN SPAIN DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFERING OF SECURITIES TO THE PUBLIC UNDER ARTICLE 30 BIS OF THE SPANISH SECURITIES MARKET LAW (LEY 24/1988, DE 28 DE JULIO, DEL MERCADO DE VALORES), AS AMENDED AND RESTATED. THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT AND WILL NOT BE SOLD, OFFERED OR DISTRIBUTED IN SPAIN EXCEPT IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH DO NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER OF SECURITIES TO THE PUBLIC IN SPAIN WITHIN THE MEANING OF SPANISH SECURITIES LAWS AND REGULATIONS. THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED WITH THE SPANISH SECURITIES MARKET COMMISSION (*COMISIÓN NACIONAL DEL MERCADO DE VALORES*) AND THEREFORE IT IS NOT INTENDED FOR THE OFFERING OR SALE OF THE SECURITIES TO THE PUBLIC IN SPAIN.

### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF SWEDEN**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAS NOT BEEN NOR WILL IT BE REGISTERED WITH OR APPROVED BY FINANSINSPEKTIONEN (THE SWEDISH FINANCIAL SUPERVISORY AUTHORITY). ACCORDINGLY, THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM MAY NOT BE MADE AVAILABLE, NOR MAY THE SECURITIES OFFERED HEREUNDER BE MARKETED OR

OFFERED FOR SALE IN SWEDEN, OTHER THAN IN CIRCUMSTANCES, WHICH ARE DEEMED NOT TO BE AN OFFER TO THE PUBLIC IN SWEDEN UNDER THE SWEDISH FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS TRADING ACT (1991:980). THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS FOR THE RECIPIENT ONLY AND MAY NOT BE FORWARDED TO ANY OTHER PERSON IN SWEDEN.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF SWITZERLAND**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A PROSPECTUS WITHIN THE MEANING OF ARTICLE 652A OF THE SWISS CODE OF OBLIGATIONS AND ARTICLE 1156 ET SEQ OF THE SWISS CODE OF OBLIGATIONS. ACCORDINGLY, THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE PUBLICLY OFFERED OR DISTRIBUTED IN OR FROM SWITZERLAND, AND NEITHER THE PRELIMINARY OFFERING MEMORANDUM, THE FINAL OFFERING MEMORANDUM NOR ANY OTHER OFFERING MATERIALS RELATING TO THE SECURITIES MAY BE PUBLICLY DISTRIBUTED IN CONNECTION WITH ANY SUCH OFFERING OR DISTRIBUTION.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF TAIWAN**

THE OFFERING AND SALE OF THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED WITH, OR APPROVED BY THE ROC (TAIWAN) GOVERNMENT. THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE PUBLICLY OFFERED, SOLD OR DELIVERED, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN TAIWAN OR TO ANY RESIDENT OF TAIWAN OR TO OTHERS FOR REOFFERING OR RESALE DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY IN TAIWAN OR TO ANY RESIDENT OF TAIWAN, EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS IN TAIWAN.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM**

THE CO-ISSUERS ARE UNREGULATED INVESTMENT SCHEMES FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE FINANCIAL SERVICES AND MARKETS ACT 2000 (THE "FSMA"), THE PROMOTION OF WHICH IS RESTRICTED BY FSMA. IF MADE BY A PERSON WHO IS NOT AN AUTHORISED PERSON UNDER FSMA, THE ISSUE OR DISTRIBUTION OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IN THE UNITED KINGDOM MAY ONLY BE MADE TO AND DIRECTED AT PERSONS WHO (I) ARE INVESTMENT PROFESSIONALS FALLING WITHIN ARTICLE 19 OF THE FINANCIAL SERVICES AND MARKETS ACT 2000 (FINANCIAL PROMOTION) ORDER 2005 OR (II) ARE PERSONS TO WHOM THE PROMOTION MAY OTHERWISE BE LAWFULLY MADE. IF MADE BY A PERSON WHO IS AN AUTHORIZED PERSON UNDER FSMA, THE ISSUE OR DISTRIBUTION OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IN THE UNITED KINGDOM MAY ONLY BE MADE TO AND DIRECTED AT PERSONS WHO (I) ARE INVESTMENT PROFESSIONALS WITHIN ARTICLE 14 OF THE FINANCIAL SERVICES AND MARKETS ACT 2000 (PROMOTION OF COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES) (EXEMPTIONS) ORDER 2001, (II) ARE PERSONS TO WHOM THE PROMOTION MAY BE MADE UNDER ANNEX 5R, CHAPTER 3 OF THE FSA'S CONDUCT OF BUSINESS RULES OR (III) ARE PERSONS TO WHOM THE PROMOTION MAY OTHERWISE BE LAWFULLY MADE. TRANSMISSION OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM TO ANY OTHER PERSON IN THE UNITED KINGDOM IS UNAUTHORISED AND MAY CONTRAVENE THE FSMA. IN THE UNITED KINGDOM, PARTICIPATION IN THE CO-ISSUERS IS AVAILABLE ONLY TO SUCH PERSONS AND PERSONS OF ANY OTHER DESCRIPTION SHOULD NOT RELY ON THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM.

EACH PLACEMENT AGENT HAS ONLY COMMUNICATED OR CAUSED TO BE COMMUNICATED AND WILL ONLY COMMUNICATE OR CAUSE TO BE COMMUNICATED ANY INVITATION OR INDUCEMENT TO ENGAGE IN INVESTMENT ACTIVITY (WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 21 OF THE FSMA RECEIVED BY IT IN CONNECTION WITH THE

ISSUE OR SALE OF ANY SECURITIES IN CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH SECTION 21(1) OF THE FSMA DOES NOT APPLY TO THE CO-ISSUERS. EACH PLACEMENT AGENT HAS COMPLIED WITH AND WILL COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE FSMA WITH RESPECT TO ANYTHING DONE BY IT IN RELATION TO SUCH SECURITIES IN, FROM OR OTHERWISE INVOLVING THE UNITED KINGDOM.

### AVAILABLE INFORMATION

To permit compliance with Rule 144A under the Securities Act (“**Rule 144A**”) in connection with the sale of the Securities, the Issuer (and, solely in the case of the Notes, the Co-Issuers) under the Indenture referred to under “Description of the Securities” and the Preference Share Documents will be required to furnish upon request of a holder of a Security to such holder and a prospective purchaser designated by such holder the information required to be delivered under Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act if at the time of the request the Co-Issuers are not reporting companies under Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “**Exchange Act**”), or exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act. Such information may be obtained directly from the Issuer or through the paying agent in Ireland at the address set forth on the final page of this Offering Memorandum.

### INFORMATION AS TO SALE WITHIN THE UNITED STATES

This Offering Memorandum is highly confidential and has been prepared by the Issuer solely for use in connection with this offering. This Offering Memorandum is personal to each offeree to whom it has been delivered by the Co-Issuers, the Placement Agents or Affiliates thereof and does not constitute an offer to any other person or to the public generally to subscribe for or otherwise acquire the Securities. Distribution of this Offering Memorandum to any persons other than the offeree and those persons, if any, retained to advise such offeree with respect thereto is unauthorized and any disclosure of any of its contents, without the prior written consent of the Issuer, is prohibited. Each prospective purchaser in the United States, by accepting delivery of this Offering Memorandum, agrees to the foregoing and to make no copies of this Offering Memorandum or any documents related hereto and, if the offeree does not purchase Securities or the offering is terminated, to return this Offering Memorandum and all documents attached hereto to: IXIS Securities North America Inc., 9 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street, 36<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10019, Attention: Structured Credit Products Group.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, each prospective purchaser of the Securities (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) are hereby permitted to disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions described herein. For this purpose, the tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction, and the tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction.

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## SUMMARY OF TERMS

*The following summary of terms does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by, and should be read in conjunction with, the more detailed information appearing elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum and the documents referred to in this Offering Memorandum. A Glossary and an Index of Defined Terms appear at the back of this Offering Memorandum.*

### Principal Terms of the Securities

	Class A Notes	Class B Notes	Class C Notes	Class D Notes	Class E Notes	Class I Preference Shares	Class II Preference Shares
Type	Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Extendable	Extendable
Issuer(s)	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Issuer	Issuer
Principal Amount / Face Amount (U.S.\$)	\$657,000,000	\$45,000,000	\$40,500,000	\$45,000,000	\$31,500,000	\$36,000,000 <sup>1</sup>	\$45,000,000 <sup>1</sup>
Expected Moody's Initial Rating	"Aaa"	"Aa2"	"A2"	"Baa2"	"Ba2"	N/A	N/A
Expected S&P Initial Rating	"AAA"	"AA"	"A"	"BBB"	"BB"	N/A	N/A
Note Interest Rate	LIBOR + 0.27%	LIBOR + 0.45%	LIBOR + 0.72%	LIBOR + 1.65%	LIBOR + 3.75%	N/A	N/A
Stated Maturity / Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date <sup>2</sup>	July 27, 2018	July 27, 2018	July 27, 2018	July 27, 2018	July 27, 2018	July 27, 2018	July 27, 2018
Minimum Denominations (U.S.\$) / Number (Integral Multiples)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	N/A	N/A
Priority Class	None	Class A	Class A, Class B	Class A, Class B, Class C	Class A, Class B, Class C, Class D	Class A, Class B, Class C, Class D, Class E	Class A, Class B, Class C, Class D, Class E
Junior Class	Class B, Class C, Class D, Class E, Preference Shares	Class C, Class D, Class E, Preference Shares	Class D, Class E, Preference Shares	Class E, Preference Shares	Preference Shares	None	None
Deferred Interest Notes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A

<sup>1</sup> The Preference Shares will be issued with a Face Amount of U.S.\$1,000 per share.

<sup>2</sup> The Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares are subject to multiple extensions to the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (in the case of the Notes) and the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (in the case of the Preference Shares), if the Issuer provides timely notice and the Extension Conditions are satisfied. See "Risk Factors—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary," "—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected," "Maturity and Prepayment Considerations" and "Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date."

The Senior Notes will be limited recourse obligations of the Co-Issuers. The Class E Notes will be limited recourse obligations of the Issuer. The Notes will be issued pursuant to the Indenture.

The Preference Shares will be part of the issued share capital of the Issuer and, accordingly, will not be secured obligations of the Issuer. U.S. Bank National Association will act as the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the Preference Shares and will perform various administrative services pursuant to a Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date (the “**Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement**”) by and between the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

The Preference Shares will be issued in two classes, which will be identical in respect of rights to distributions except that the Class II Preference Shares (i) are entitled to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments during the first two years following the Closing Date (after the two-year anniversary of the Closing Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Issuer as Class II Preference Share Special Payments) and (ii) have total control with respect to the appointment and removal of the directors of the Issuer as long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is higher than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date. See “Description of the Securities—The Issuer Charter—Voting Rights.”

Payments to each Holder of the Notes of each Class shall be made ratably among the Holders of the Notes of that Class in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes of such Class held by each Holder. Payments to each Holder of the Preference Shares shall be made ratably among the Holders of the Preference Shares in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Preference Shares held by each Holder (*provided* that the Class II Preference Share Special Payments shall be paid solely to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class II Preference Shares held by each Holder).

Except as provided under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments,” the Class A Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes, the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares; the Class B Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each

Payment Date to the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes, the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares; the Class C Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class D Notes, the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares; the Class D Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares; the Class E Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Preference Shares; and the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares will rank *pari passu* in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date except that any payments to the Holders of Class II Preference Shares of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments will have priority to the extent provided under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

The Securities and certain other obligations of the Co-Issuers will have the priorities of payment described under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

**Co-Issuers** ..... The Issuer has been incorporated and exists as an exempted limited liability company under the laws of the Cayman Islands. The Issuer’s activities are limited to acquiring Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, entering into any Hedge Agreements, issuing the Securities and entering into certain related transactions. The Issuer has been established as a special purpose vehicle for the purpose of issuing asset backed securities.

The Co-Issuer is organized as a corporation under the laws of the State of Delaware for the sole purpose of co-issuing the Senior Notes. The Co-Issuer has been established as a special purpose vehicle for the purpose of issuing asset backed securities.

The Issuer will not have any significant assets other than Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, any Hedge Agreements and certain other eligible assets. The Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, the rights of the Issuer under any Hedge Agreements and other collateral will be pledged to the Trustee as security for, among other things, the Issuer’s obligations under the Notes.

The Co-Issuer is not expected to have any significant assets and will not pledge any assets to secure the Senior Notes.

**Investors Corp.** ..... On the Closing Date, Red River Investors Corp. (“**Investors Corp.**”), an exempted limited liability corporation incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands, is expected to purchase all of the Class I Preference Shares and to finance such purchase by issuing preference shares (the “**Holding Preference Shares**”) in a number equal to the aggregate number of Class I Preference

Shares purchased by it. The Holding Preference Shares will be offered by Investors Corp. to investors pursuant to a separate offering memorandum (the “**Investors Corp. Offering Memorandum**”) and are not offered hereby.

Investors Corp. will exercise its consent and voting rights, in its capacity as a Holder of the Class I Preference Shares, in accordance with the directions of the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares; *provided* that Holding Preference Shares held by the Servicer or any of its Affiliates will have no such right to direct Investors Corp. in connection with the removal of the Servicer for “cause” or the appointment of a replacement servicer. For purposes of calculating such consents or votes exercised with respect to the Class I Preference Shares held by Investors Corp., each consent or vote exercised with respect to a Holding Preference Share will count as one consent or vote exercised with respect to a Class I Preference Share held by Investors Corp., as applicable.

**Trustee** ..... U.S. Bank National Association will act as the Trustee under the Indenture on behalf of the Holders of the Notes.

**Servicer** ..... Certain servicing and administrative functions with respect to the Collateral will be performed by Highland Capital Management, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership (“**Highland Capital**” or, in such capacity, the “**Servicer**”), pursuant to the Servicing Agreement, which may be amended from time to time without the consent of the Holders of the Securities. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Servicing Agreement” and “The Servicing Agreement.”

On the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$45,000,000 and (ii) Highland Capital and its Affiliates are expected to purchase all of the Class E Notes having an aggregate principal amount equal to U.S.\$31,500,000 and Holding Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$21,000,000.

The Share Registrar will record in the register maintained by it which Preference Shares are held by HFP or any of its subsidiaries. Such Preference Shares will be designated by the Share Registrar as Class II Preference Shares. HFP and/or its subsidiaries that purchase Class II Preference Shares will agree not to transfer any of the Class II Preference Shares to any Person other than Investors Corp. Any transfer of Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to Investors Corp. will require redesignation by the Share Registrar of such Class II Preference Shares as Class I Preference Shares. Investors Corp. will finance the purchase of any Class II

Preference Shares to be redesignated in connection with such transfer by issuing additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such Class II Preference Shares. Any transfer of Class I Preference Shares to HFP or any of its subsidiaries from Investors Corp. will require redesignation by the Share Registrar of such Class I Preference Shares as Class II Preference Shares.

The Servicer or its Affiliates may also acquire Preference Shares upon the occurrence of the Amendment Buy-Out Option. In addition, the Servicer or its Affiliates may acquire all or any portion of any Extension Sale Securities in connection with a Maturity Extension. See “The Servicer,” “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities,” “—Relating to the Servicer” and “—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer,” “Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out,” “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date” and “The Servicing Agreement.”

**Closing Date**..... August 3, 2006.

**Use of Proceeds**..... The gross proceeds of the offering of the Securities received on the Closing Date are expected to equal approximately \$900,000,000 and will be used by the Issuer to:

- purchase a portfolio of Collateral Obligations;
- fund a trust account for Revolving Loans (the “**Revolving Reserve Account**”) and a trust account for Delayed Drawdown Loans (the “**Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account**”) to cover any future draws on Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans;
- enter into any Hedge Agreements, as applicable;
- enter into any Securities Lending Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the Securities Lending Account);
- enter into any Synthetic Security Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the related accounts);
- repurchase and terminate Participations outstanding under the Warehouse Agreements (at a price reflecting the price originally paid by the Issuer to acquire the Warehoused Loans, *plus* the amount of extensions of credit in respect of certain Warehoused Loans, *minus* the aggregate amount of payments of principal received by the Warehouse Providers, respectively, in respect of such Warehoused Loans (excluding the amount of any such payment that was required to be repaid or returned by any Warehouse

Provider by claw-back or otherwise), *plus* all accrued and unpaid interest and fees on such Warehoused Loans);

- fund the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account; and
- undertake certain related activities.

See “Use of Proceeds.”

**Payment Dates .....** Payment of interest on, and principal of, the Notes will be made by the Issuer in U.S. Dollars on the first day of each February, May, August and November of each year (or if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day), commencing February 1, 2007, to the extent of available cash flow in respect of the Collateral in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

**Interest Payments and Distributions from Interest**

**Proceeds .....** The Notes will accrue interest from the Closing Date. Interest on the Notes will be payable, to the extent of funds available therefor, on each Payment Date.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of interest due on such Class of Deferred Interest Notes that is not available to be paid (“**Deferred Interest**”) in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered “payable” for the purposes of the Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for such Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest), until paid. See “Description of the Securities—Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Preference Shares from Interest Proceeds,” “—Priority of Payments” and “—The Indenture—Events of Default.”

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Interest Proceeds as described under clauses (22) and (24) under “Description of the

Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds”; *provided* that, in lieu of payment of such Interest Proceeds, in whole or in part, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, will have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute on any Payment Date Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be distributed on the relevant Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be increased accordingly. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” and “—Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement—Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities.”

In addition, on each Payment Date during the first two years following the Closing Date, Holders of the Class II Preference Shares are entitled to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments. After the two-year anniversary of the Closing Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be distributed by the Issuer to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. Any Class II Preference Share Special Payment will be paid by the Issuer in accordance with the Priority of Payments described under clauses (3), (20) and (23) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

**Principal Payments and  
Distributions from Principal**

**Proceeds .....** The Notes will mature at par on the Payment Date in July 27, 2018 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (the “**Stated Maturity**”) and the Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed at the Redemption Price thereof by the Issuer on the Payment Date in July 27, 2018 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (the “**Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**”), in each case unless redeemed or (in the case of the Notes) repaid in full prior thereto. The average life of each Class of Notes is



expected to be shorter than the number of years from issuance until Stated Maturity for such Notes. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary,” “—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected” and “Maturity and Prepayment Considerations.”

In general, principal payments will not be made on the Notes before the end of the Replacement Period, except in the following circumstances:

- in connection with an Optional Redemption;
- at the option of the Servicer, to effect a Special Redemption of the Notes;
- pursuant to a redemption made in connection with a Tax Event; or
- following a mandatory redemption of the Notes caused by a failure to meet any of the Coverage Tests or a Rating Confirmation Failure.

See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments,” “—Optional Redemption,” “—Special Redemption of the Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture,” “—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes” and “Security for the Notes—Ramp-Up.”

No payments of principal will be made on the Class B Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class C Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class D Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class E Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes has been paid in full (other than with respect to the use of Interest Proceeds to pay principal of the Class E Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class E Coverage Tests). However, Principal Proceeds may be used to pay Deferred Interest and other amounts before the payment of principal of the Notes. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

No principal of any Class of Notes will be payable on any Payment Date other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and to the extent funds are available therefor on that Payment Date for that purpose, except that the principal of each

Class of Notes will be payable in full at the Stated Maturity, unless repaid before that.

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares (including, with respect to the Class II Preference Shares, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Principal Proceeds as described under clauses (11)(A), (14) and (15) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

For a description of the relative priority of payments and level of subordination of the Securities and certain fees, expenses and other liabilities of the Co-Issuers, see “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

**Extension of the Replacement  
Period, the Stated Maturity and  
the Scheduled Preference Shares**

**Redemption Date.....** The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Replacement Period to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date up to a maximum of four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. For purposes of the foregoing, “**Extension Effective Date**” means if an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extension Effective Date (or, in the case of the first Extension Effective Date, the Payment Date in May 2011) and “**Extended Replacement Period End Date**” means, if an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Replacement Period End Date (or, in the case of the first Extension, the Payment Date in August 2017); *provided that* the “Extended Replacement Period End Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in August 2029.

If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date shall automatically be extended to the Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Securities

or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents (the “**Maturity Extension**”); *provided* that the Issuer will not be permitted to effect more than four Maturity Extensions. For purposes of the foregoing, “**Extended Stated Maturity Date**” means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Stated Maturity Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Payment Date in August 2022), “**Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**” means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, August 2022 and “**Extended Weighted Average Life Date**” means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Weighted Average Life Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Weighted Average Life Date, August 1, 2019); *provided* that the “Extended Stated Maturity Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in August 2034, the “Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in August 2034 and the “Extended Weighted Average Life Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in August, 2031.

As a condition to a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes or Preference Shares will have the right to offer to sell their Notes or Preference Shares to one or more Extension Qualifying Purchasers for purchase on the applicable Extension Effective Date.

If all Extension Conditions are satisfied and a Maturity Extension is effected, each Noteholder, other than Holders of Extension Sale Securities, will be entitled to receive the applicable Extension Bonus Payment, to the extent of available funds and as provided in the Priority of Payments. Holders of Preference Shares will not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary,” “—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected,” “Maturity and Prepayment Considerations,” and “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date.”

**Security for the Notes** ..... The Notes will be secured by a portfolio having an Aggregate Principal Balance following the Ramp-Up Period of approximately U.S.\$880,700,000 (in principal amount) and consisting primarily of Collateral Obligations and certain other

debt securities, in each case having the characteristics set forth herein. The Notes will also be secured by funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, the Issuer's rights under any Hedge Agreements, any Securities Lending Agreements, the Servicing Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement. See "Security for the Notes."

The Preference Shares are unsecured equity interests in the Issuer.

**Collateral Ramp-Up Period .....** The Issuer expects that, as of the Closing Date, it will have purchased (or entered into commitments to purchase) Collateral Obligations to be included in the anticipated portfolio such that the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator will be at least U.S.\$880,700,000 as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date. The "**Ramp-Up Completion Date**" is the earlier of (i) the Business Day after the 120<sup>th</sup> day after the Closing Date, and (ii) the first day on which the following conditions are satisfied (x) either (A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least U.S.\$880,700,000 or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer with proceeds from the sale of the Securities (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be) equals at least U.S.\$880,700,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date) and (y) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least U.S.\$880,700,000.

In anticipation of the issuance of the Securities: (a) the Issuer, the Servicer, MMP-5 Funding, LLC (as participant and warehouse provider) and IXIS Financial Products Inc. ("**IXIS Financial Products**") entered into the IXIS Warehouse Agreement, (b) the Issuer, the Servicer and Highland Special Opportunities Holding Company (as participant and warehouse provider) entered into the Highland Warehouse Agreement and (c) the Issuer, the Servicer and Grand Central Asset Trust, SOH Series (as participant and warehouse provider) entered into the Grand Central Warehouse Agreement. Pursuant to the Warehouse Agreements, the Servicer has agreed to service, on behalf of the Issuer, the Warehoused Loans to be acquired by the Issuer before the Closing Date. 100% participation in each Warehoused Loan has been acquired by the applicable Warehouse Provider concurrently with the acquisition of such Warehoused Loan by the Issuer, for a purchase price equal to the purchase price paid by the Issuer for the related Warehoused Loan. The participation interests in certain Warehoused Loans

granted by the Issuer to MMP-5 Funding, LLC pursuant to the IXIS Warehouse Agreement were subsequently acquired by Grand Central Asset Trust, SOH Series pursuant to the Grand Central Warehouse Agreement. On the Closing Date, eligible Warehoused Loans will be repurchased by the Issuer with proceeds of the offering. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Collateral Obligations—A Substantial Amount of Collateral Obligations Was Acquired Before the Closing Date, and the Terms of the Acquisition May Adversely Affect the Issuer.” See “Security for the Notes—Ramp-Up.”

**Replacement Period; Acquisition  
of Replacement Collateral  
Obligations.....**

During the Replacement Period, the Issuer may generally (and subject to certain requirements) use Principal Proceeds received with respect to the Collateral to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria (which Eligibility Criteria includes requirements that an item of Collateral purchased by the Issuer meet the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and that the portfolio of Collateral Obligations be in compliance with the Concentration Limitations to the extent provided in the Eligibility Criteria). See “—Collateral Obligations,” “—Concentration Limitations” and “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.”

The “**Replacement Period**” will be the period from the Closing Date through and including the first to occur of:

- (i) the Payment Date after the date that the Servicer notifies the Trustee, each Rating Agency and the Administrator, in the sole discretion of the Servicer, that, in light of the composition of the Collateral, general market conditions, and other factors, the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations within the foreseeable future would be impractical;
- (ii) the Payment Date in August 2013 or, in the case of an Extension, the Extended Replacement Period End Date;
- (iii) the Payment Date on which all Notes are to be optionally redeemed or an earlier date after notice of an Optional Redemption chosen by the Servicer to facilitate the liquidation of the Collateral for the Optional Redemption; and
- (iv) the date on which the Replacement Period terminates or is terminated as a result of an Event of Default (subject to the terms of the Indenture).

No acquisition of Collateral Obligations will be made after the

termination of the Replacement Period, except that (x) Unscheduled Principal Payments and (y) Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations may be used to purchase Collateral Obligations after the Replacement Period subject to the limitations described under “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria” and “—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations.” After the termination of the Replacement Period, all Principal Proceeds (other than Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations) must be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, no acquisition or disposition of a Collateral Obligation or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) shall be effected by or on behalf of the Issuer for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes.

**Collateral Obligations**..... Any obligation or security (a “**Collateral Obligation**”) that, when the Issuer commits to purchase (or otherwise acquire) the obligation or security, is a Loan, High-Yield Bond, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that is a Loan, a Structured Finance Obligation or High-Yield Bond that is:

- (i) denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars and is not convertible by its obligor into any other currency;
- (ii) an obligation of an obligor Domiciled in an Eligible Country;
- (iii) an obligation that is eligible by its terms to be assigned to the Issuer and pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral;
- (iv) not an exchangeable or convertible security;
- (v) not an equity security or a component of an equity security or a security that has a component that is an equity security (other than for avoidance of doubt, a pass-through trust certificate in a trust holding Collateral Obligations);
- (vi) not an obligation or security that has been called for redemption and is not an obligation or security that is the subject of an Offer other than a Permitted Offer or an exchange offer in which a security that is not registered under the Securities Act is exchanged for (a) a security that has substantially identical terms (except for transfer restrictions) but is registered under the Securities Act or (b) a security that would

- otherwise qualify for purchase under the Eligibility Criteria;
- (vii) an obligation that (a) has a Moody's Rating (including any estimated or confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored) and (b) has an S&P Rating (including any confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored), which S&P Rating does not have a "p", "pi", "q", "r" or "t" subscript unless S&P otherwise authorizes in writing;
  - (viii) an obligation that is a Finance Lease (if it is a lease) and the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;
  - (ix) an obligation that is not a Current-Pay Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation and in the case of a Collateral Obligation that has a Moody's Rating of "Caal" or lower or an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower, an obligation for which the Servicer has certified in writing that such Collateral Obligation is not a Credit Risk Obligation;
  - (x) an obligation that (unless it is a High-Yield Bond) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness for borrowed money of the applicable issuer; *provided* that for the avoidance of doubt, this clause shall not prohibit the inclusion as Collateral Obligations of Subordinated Lien Loans or Second Lien Loans;
  - (xi) an obligation that (a) (unless it is a PIK Security) bears simple interest payable in cash no less frequently than annually at a fixed or floating rate that is paid on a periodic basis on an unleveraged basis and, in the case of a floating rate, computed on a benchmark interest rate plus or minus a spread, if any (which may vary under the terms of the obligation) and (b) provides for a fixed amount of principal payable in cash according to a fixed schedule (which may include optional call dates) or at maturity (or a fixed notional amount in the case of Synthetic Securities);
  - (xii) an obligation the payment or repayment of the principal, if any, of which is not an amount determined by reference to any formula or index or subject to any contingency under the terms thereof;
  - (xiii) an obligation the portion of which to be acquired (including through a Synthetic Security with respect to

the Reference Obligation) does not represent, directly or indirectly, more than a 25% interest in the obligation;

(xiv) not an obligation with a maturity later than two years after the Stated Maturity of the Notes;

(xv) an obligation upon which no payments are subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the obligor thereof or counterparty with respect thereto is required to make "gross-up" payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax on an after-tax basis (other than withholding taxes with respect to commitment fees associated with Collateral Obligations constituting Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans);

(xvi) not a Loan or Synthetic Security that would require the Issuer after its purchase of the Loan or Synthetic Security to advance any funds to the related borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty or permit the borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty to require that any future advances be made except for:

(A) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the Issuer deposits into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, respectively, the maximum amount of any advances that may be required of the Issuer under the related Underlying Instrument (as provided in the Indenture); and

(B) any Synthetic Security if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Synthetic Security, the Issuer posts cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) the Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of any future advances;

(xvii) if such obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation, such obligation:

(A) has been assigned a rating by both Moody's and S&P;

(B) has a Moody's Rating of "Ba3" or higher and an S&P Rating of "BB-" or higher; and



- (C) has not been placed on the watch list for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P;
- (xviii) not a Loan that is an obligation of a debtor in possession or a trustee for a debtor in an insolvency proceeding other than a DIP Loan;
- (xix) with respect to an obligation that provides for the payment of interest at a floating rate, an obligation for which such floating rate is determined by reference to the U.S. Dollar prime rate or other base rate, London interbank offered rate or similar interbank offered rate, commercial deposit rate or any other index that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto;
- (xx) in the case of a Synthetic Security, the Synthetic Security is one for which the counterparty or issuer, as the case may be, has a short-term debt rating by Moody's of at least "P-1" or long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" and, if rated "A3" by Moody's, such rating is not on watch for downgrade, and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A-";
- (xxi) not an obligation that constitutes Margin Stock;
- (xxii) not a Zero-Coupon Security;
- (xxiii) not an obligation that is currently deferring interest or paying interest "in kind" or otherwise has an interest "in kind" balance outstanding at the time of purchase, which interest is otherwise payable in cash, unless the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;
- (xxiv) not a security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer;
- (xxv) not an obligation the interest payments of which are scheduled to decrease (although interest payments may decrease due to unscheduled events such as a decrease if the index relating to a Floating Rate Obligation, the change from a default rate of interest to a non-default rate of interest or an improvement in the obligor's financial condition);
- (xxvi) not an obligation that will cause the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the pool of assets to be required to be registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act; and

(xxvii) in the case of a Loan, an obligation that is part of, or a Participation in, a syndicated loan facility that provides for a commitment by the lenders, in the aggregate, of no less than \$25,000,000.

Pursuant to the definition of “Synthetic Security,” unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any “deliverable obligation” that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any “credit event” must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such “deliverable obligation” is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any “credit event”) as a Collateral Obligation, except that such “deliverable obligation” may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a “credit event.”

See “Security for the Notes—Collateral Obligations” and “—Eligibility Criteria.”

**Concentration Limitations** ..... Upon a purchase of a Collateral Obligation, the Eligibility Criteria require that each of the limits set forth below with respect to a particular type of Relevant Obligation (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) as a percentage of the Maximum Amount (the “**Concentration Limitations**”) is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced:

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(1) Senior Secured Loans (including Moody’s Senior Secured Loans) and Eligible Investments	≥ 90.0%
(2) unsecured Loans	≤ 3.0%
(3) Subordinated Lien Loans and Second Lien Loans	≤ 10.0%
(4) Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans	≤ 12.0%
(5) DIP Loans	≤ 5.0%
(a) except that with a Rating Confirmation, DIP Loans may constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 7.5%
(6) S&P Unrated DIP Loans	≤ 2.5%
(7) PIK Securities	≤ 3.0%
(8) High-Yield Bonds	≤ 7.5%
(9) Structured Finance Obligations	≤ 12.5%
(a) except that Structured Finance Obligations serviced by the Servicer may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 5.0%
(b) except that a single issuer together with any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) of a Structured Finance Obligation may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 3.0%
(10) Structured Finance Obligations that are collateralized loan obligations	≤ 7.5%

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(11) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States and Canada	≤ 15.0%
(12) obligors Domiciled in Canada or any single Moody's Group I Country	≤ 10.0%
(13) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group II Country	≤ 5.0%
(14) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group III Country	≤ 2.5%
(15) obligors organized in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction	≤ 5.0%
(16) same S&P Industry Classification	≤ 8.0%
(a) except that Relevant Obligations belonging to two S&P Industry Classifications may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 12.0%
(17) single issuer or any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties)	≤ 1.5%
(a) except that up to each of five individual issuers (including any of their respective Affiliates but excluding issuers that the Servicer reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 2.0%
(18) Fixed Rate Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(19) Pay interest less frequently than quarterly but no less frequently than annually	≤ 7.5%
(20) Synthetic Securities	≤ 20.0%
(a) except that Synthetic Securities that provide for settlement other than by physical delivery may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 5.0%
(b) except that Synthetic Securities that reference a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 5.0%
(21) Participations ( <i>provided</i> that no Relevant Obligations may be a Participation in a Participation)	≤ 20.0%
(22) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, in the aggregate may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 20.0%
(23) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, a single Secondary Risk Counterparty	≤ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Individual Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating*
(24) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, all Secondary Risk Counterparties	≤ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Aggregate Counterparty Limit" for applicable

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
	rating**
(25) Deep Discount Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(26) CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(27) Long-Dated Collateral Obligations	≤ 4.0%
(28) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements	≤ 15.0%
(29) Collateral Obligations providing for interest at a non-London interbank offered rate (excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, the unfunded amount of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan)	≤ 5.0%
(30) Collateral Obligations that are Loans that are part of a credit facility with a total global aggregate commitment amount of equal to or greater than \$25,000,000 but less than \$75,000,000	≤ 10.0%
(31) Collateral Obligations that are Loans that are part of a credit facility with a total global aggregate commitment amount of less than \$25,000,000	≤ 0%

\* Applicable long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P of such Secondary Risk Counterparty (using the limit for the lower of such ratings if different).

\*\* Long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P at or below a level specified in the Secondary Risk Table (using the lower of such ratings for a Secondary Risk Counterparty, if different).

Subject to the rights in certain circumstances of the Servicer to determine otherwise as set out in the Indenture, solely for the purpose of determining whether the Concentration Limitations are met, Eligible Investments and Cash will be treated as Senior Secured Loans and Floating Rate Obligations.

See "Security For the Notes—Eligibility Criteria."

### Coverage Tests and the Retention

**Overcollateralization Test** ..... The "Coverage Tests" will consist of the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Tests. In addition, the Retention Overcollateralization Test, which is not a Coverage Test, will apply as described herein. See "Security For the Notes—The Coverage Tests—The Overcollateralization Tests" and "—The Interest Coverage Tests" for the formulations of these tests, which are highly detailed. The ratios on which they are based are also described under such headings. The tests will be used to determine, among other things, whether (i) Notes will be redeemed in certain circumstances as described under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments" and (ii) in the case of the Coverage Tests, Collateral Obligations may be acquired as described under "Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria."

There will not be any Coverage Test applicable to the Preference Shares.

*The Overcollateralization Tests*..... The Overcollateralization Tests will consist of the “**Class A/B Overcollateralization Test**,” the “**Class C Overcollateralization Test**,” the “**Class D Overcollateralization Test**” and the “**Class E Overcollateralization Test**.” Each Overcollateralization Test will be satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes if, as of any Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the specified required level for the specified Class indicated in the table below:

Test	Required Level
Class A/B Overcollateralization Test	114.8%
Class C Overcollateralization Test	111.3%
Class D Overcollateralization Test	107.4%
Class E Overcollateralization Test	103.8%

*The Interest Coverage Tests*..... The Interest Coverage Tests will consist of the “**Class A/B Interest Coverage Test**,” the “**Class C Interest Coverage Test**,” the “**Class D Interest Coverage Test**” and the “**Class E Interest Coverage Test**.” Each Interest Coverage Test will be satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level specified in the table below for the specified Class:

Test	Required Level
Class A/B Interest Coverage Test	120.0%
Class C Interest Coverage Test	115.0%
Class D Interest Coverage Test	110.0%
Class E Interest Coverage Test	105.0%

*Retention Overcollateralization Test* . A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date during the Replacement Period on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Retention Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 104.8%.

**Collateral Quality Tests**..... The Collateral Quality Tests will be used primarily as criteria for purchasing Collateral Obligations. See “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.” The “**Collateral Quality Tests**” will consist of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Life Test, the Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread

Test, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the S&P CDO Monitor Test, as described below.

*Diversity Test* ..... The Diversity Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date, if the Diversity Score equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score.

*S&P CDO Monitor Test*..... The S&P CDO Monitor Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive.

*Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test* ..... The Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 7.5%.

*Weighted Average Life Test* ..... The Weighted Average Life Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the greater of (a) the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and August 1, 2015 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date and (b) 3.0 years.

*Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test*..... The Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 44.30%.

*Weighted Average Rating Factor Test*..... The Weighted Average Rating Factor Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date, if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of such Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor.

*Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test*..... The Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 52.42%.

*Weighted Average Spread Test* ..... The Weighted Average Spread Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread.

See "Security for the Notes—The Collateral Quality Tests."

**Mandatory Redemption of the Notes  
for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests .....**

If any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the last day of any Due Period (each, a “**Determination Date**”), funds will be used pursuant to the Priority of Payments to redeem the Notes to the extent necessary for such failing Coverage Tests to be satisfied that would otherwise be used:

- (i) to purchase additional Collateral Obligations during the Replacement Period; or
- (ii) to make interest and principal payments on the Notes and to make dividend or redemption payments in respect of the Preference Shares.

See “Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests.”

**Certain Consequences of Failure to  
Satisfy the Retention  
Overcollateralization Test .....**

If during the Replacement Period, the Retention Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on any Determination Date, certain funds, as described under clause (18) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds,” representing Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be used to make payments on the Preference Shares and pay certain subordinated expenses of the Issuer, will be deposited instead into the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds to the extent necessary to cause the Retention Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as of that Determination Date after application of Principal Proceeds as described under clause (1) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

**Mandatory Redemption of the Notes  
Upon Rating Confirmation Failure .....**

The Issuer will request each of S&P and Moody’s to confirm in writing, by the Business Day after the 29<sup>th</sup> day after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that it has not reduced, suspended or withdrawn the Initial Rating of each Class of Notes and that it has not placed any Class of Notes on credit watch with negative implications. If the Trustee does not receive evidence of confirmation before the Payment Date following the 29-day period (such an event, a “**Rating Confirmation Failure**”), all Interest Proceeds remaining after payment of amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (14) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” will be used to pay principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes sequentially in order of their priority on the next Payment

Date and each Payment Date thereafter until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. If necessary, after the foregoing payments are made out of Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds in accordance with clause (6) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds” will be used to pay principal of each Class of the Notes sequentially in order of their priority on each Payment Date until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. See “Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure.”

**Non-Call Period**..... The period from the Closing Date to but not including the Payment Date in August 2011 (the “**Non-Call Period**”).

**Optional Redemption**..... Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the Holders of at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares may require the Issuer or Co-Issuers, as applicable, to redeem the Notes, in whole but not in part, from Principal Proceeds and all other funds available for that purpose in the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account in accordance with the redemption procedures described under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at their Redemption Price. From and after the Redemption Date the redeemed Notes will cease to bear interest.

The redemption price payable in connection with the Optional Redemption of any Class of Notes will be the sum of:

- (i) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of the Note being redeemed; *plus*
- (ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest); *plus*
- (iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note; *plus*
- (iv) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

The redemption price payable in connection with the Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares will be (i) at



the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the entire remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case, as described under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

**Special Redemption.....** The Notes will be subject to redemption in whole or in part by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, on Payment Dates during the Replacement Period if the Servicer elects (subject to the Servicing Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the use of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (a “**Special Redemption**”). On the first Payment Date following the Due Period for which such notice is effective (a “**Special Redemption Date**”), the funds in the Collection Account or the Payment Account representing Principal Proceeds which cannot be used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (the “**Special Redemption Amount**”) will be available to be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments. See “Description of the Securities—Special Redemption of the Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture.”

#### **Additional Issuance of Preference**

**Shares.....** At any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the net proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations if the conditions for such additional issuance described under “Description of the Securities—Additional Issuance of Preference Shares” are met. Any amendment to the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents or any other related documents required to provide for or facilitate such additional issuance of Preference Shares will not require the consent of the Holders of Securities.

It is expected that Investors Corp. will finance the purchase of any additional Class I Preference Shares issued by the Issuer by issuing additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such additional Class I Preference Shares purchased by it.

**The Offering.....** The Senior Notes are initially being offered (i) in reliance on Regulation S, to non-U.S. Persons in offshore transactions (“**Offshore Transactions**”) as such term is

defined in Regulation S and (ii) to purchasers that are U.S. persons (“**U.S. Persons**”) as such term is defined in Regulation S, that are (I) Accredited Investors as defined in Rule 501(a) of Regulation D under the Securities Act (each, an “**Accredited Investor**”) and (II)(A) Qualified Purchasers or (B) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers. Subsequent transferees of the Senior Notes must be (i) non-U.S. Persons that purchase the Senior Notes in Offshore Transactions or (ii)(a) Qualified Institutional Buyers and (b) (A) Qualified Purchasers or (B) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers. The Class E Notes and the Preference Shares are initially offered and may be subsequently transferred only to purchasers that are (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers (as defined in Rule 144A) (each, a “**Qualified Institutional Buyer**”) and (ii) (I) Qualified Purchasers or (II) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers. See “Plan of Distribution” and “Transfer Restrictions.”

**Form, Registration and Transfer of  
the Senior Notes .....**

Except as provided herein, the Senior Notes sold in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Section 4(2) to Accredited Investors and Qualified Purchasers will be represented by one or more permanent global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons (each, a “**Rule 144A Global Note**”) deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository. The Depository will credit the account of each of its participants with the principal amount of the Senior Notes being purchased by or through the participant. Beneficial interests in a Rule 144A Global Note will be shown on, and transfers thereof will be effected only through, records maintained by the Depository and its direct and indirect participants. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Senior Notes.”

Except as provided herein, the Senior Notes sold in Offshore Transactions to non-U.S. Persons in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by one or more permanent global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons (each, a “**Regulation S Global Note**,” and, together with the Rule 144A Global Notes, the “**Global Notes**”) which will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear or Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream at any time.

Except in the limited circumstances described herein, certificated Senior Notes will not be issued in exchange for beneficial interests in Global Notes. See “Settlement and

Clearing.”

Transfers of interests in the Senior Notes are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Indenture. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Senior Notes” and “Transfer Restrictions.” Each purchaser of Senior Notes in making its purchase will be required to make, or will be deemed to have made, as the case may be, certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements. See “Transfer Restrictions.”

**Form, Registration and Transfers of  
the Class E Notes.....**

The Class E Notes will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Class E Notes in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the “**Certificated Class E Notes**”).

Transfers of the Class E Notes are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Indenture. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Class E Notes” and “Transfer Restrictions.” Each purchaser of Class E Notes in making its purchase will be required to make certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements, and will be required to deliver various tax forms (including applicable IRS Form W-8 or IRS Form W-9) and tax certifications. See “Transfer Restrictions” for more details.

**Form, Registration and Transfers of  
the Preference Shares .....**

The Preference Shares will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Preference Shares in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the “**Certificated Preference Shares**”).

Transfers of the Preference Shares are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Preference Share Documents. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Preference Shares” and “Transfer Restrictions.” Each purchaser of Preference Shares in making its purchase will be required to make certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements, and will be required to deliver various tax forms (including applicable IRS Form W-8 or IRS Form W-9) and tax certifications. See “Transfer Restrictions” for more details.

**Ratings .....** It is a condition of the issuance of the Securities that each Class of Notes are rated at least as indicated in the table under “—Principal Terms of the Securities” on the Closing Date.

No rating of the Preference Shares has been sought or obtained in connection with the issuance thereof.

Each of the above ratings assumes that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date.

A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning Rating Agency. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—Future Ratings of the Notes Are Not Assured and Limited in Scope; the Preference Shares are Not Rated.”

**Listing .....** Application will be made to list each Class of the Senior Notes on the ISE. There can be no assurance that such admission will be granted or maintained. See “Listing and General Information.” The issuance and settlement of the Senior Notes on the Closing Date will not be conditioned on the listing of the Notes on the ISE. In addition, there is currently no market for the Senior Notes and there can be no assurance that a market will develop.

**Governing Law .....** The terms and conditions of the Preference Shares (as set forth in the Issuer Charter and the Resolutions) will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the Cayman Islands. The Notes, Indenture, any supplemental indenture, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and any Hedge Agreements will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the State of New York.

**Tax Status .....** See “Material Income Tax Considerations.”

**Considerations for Benefit Plans .....** Except as described herein, the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares may not be purchased or held by, or transferred to, any Benefit Plan Investor, including a foreign benefit plan not subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code. See “Considerations for Benefit Plans.”

## **RISK FACTORS**

*An investment in the Securities involves certain risks. Prospective investors should carefully consider the following factors, in addition to the matters set forth elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum, prior to investing in any Class of Securities.*

### **Investor Suitability**

An investment in the Securities will not be appropriate or suitable for all investors. Structured investment products, like the Securities, are complex instruments, and typically involve a high degree of risk and are intended for sale only to sophisticated investors who are capable of understanding and assuming the risks involved. Any investor purchasing Securities should conduct its own investigation and analysis of an investment in the Securities and consult with its own professional advisors as to the risks involved in making such investment.

### **General; Priorities of Securities**

The Issuer intends to acquire securities and other financial assets with certain risk characteristics as provided in the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement. See “Security for the Notes.” There can be no assurance that the Issuer will be successful in achieving its objectives to ensure that investors receive their initial investments under the Securities and that they receive a return (and avoid any losses, including total losses) on their investment in the Securities. Prospective investors are therefore advised to review this entire Offering Memorandum carefully and should consider, among other things, the following risk factors (along with, among other things, the inherent risks of investment activities) before deciding whether to invest in the Securities.

Except as is otherwise stated below, the risk factors are generally applicable to all the Securities, although the degree of risk associated with each Class of Securities may vary. In particular, the priorities of payment of the Notes are generally in the order of their alphabetic designation from the Class A Notes (the highest priority) to the Class E Notes (the lowest priority), the priorities of payment of the Notes are generally higher than priorities of payment of the Preference Shares.

### **Relating to the Securities**

#### *The Securities Will Have Limited Liquidity*

There is currently no market for the Securities. There can be no assurance that a secondary market for any Class of Securities will develop, or if a secondary market does develop, that it will provide the Holders of the applicable Class of Securities with liquidity of investment or that it will continue for the life of such Class of Securities. In addition, each Class of Securities is subject to certain transfer restrictions and can only be transferred to certain transferees as described under “Transfer Restrictions.” The restrictions on the transfer of the Securities may further limit their liquidity. Consequently, an investor in the Securities must be prepared to hold such Securities until their Stated Maturity or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. In addition, the Securities will not be registered under the Securities Act or any state securities laws, and the Co-Issuers have no plans, and are under no obligation, to register the Securities under the Securities Act. Application will be made to admit each Class of the Senior Notes to the Daily Official List of the ISE. There can be no assurance that any such admission will be granted or maintained.

*The Subordination of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes, the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares Will Affect Their Right to Payment in Relation to the More Senior Securities*

The Class B Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class B Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class B Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

The Class C Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class C Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class C Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class C Deferred Interest.

The Class D Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class D Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class D Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class D Deferred Interest.

The Class E Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class E Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class E Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class E Deferred Interest and the use of Interest Proceeds to pay principal of the Class E Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class E Coverage Tests.

No payments will be made out of Interest Proceeds on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments), until due and unpaid interest on the Notes (including any Deferred Interest) and certain amounts (including certain amounts due under the Hedge Agreements, certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid on the Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments. No payments will be made out of Principal Proceeds on the Preference Shares (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) until principal of each Class of Notes and certain other amounts payable out of Principal Proceeds on each Payment Date have been paid in full. In addition, the Preference Shares will not be redeemed until each Class of Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

In addition, the Co-Issuers will have only nominal equity capitalization. Consequently, to the extent that any losses are suffered by any of the Holders of any Securities, the losses will be borne first by

the Holders of the Preference Shares, and then by the Holders of each Class of Notes, serially in inverse order of their alphabetic designations.

See “Description of the Securities.”

*Interest Will Be Deferred on Deferred Interest Notes if There Are Insufficient Funds under the Priority of Payments for Payment of Interest*

So long as any Class A Notes or Class B Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class C Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes as Class C Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class C Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds.

So long as any Class A Notes, Class B Notes or Class C Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class D Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes as Class D Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class D Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds.

So long as any Class A Notes, Class B Notes, Class C Notes or Class D Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class E Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class E Notes as Class E Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class E Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds.

*Interest Proceeds May Be Retained in Priority to any Payments to Holders of Preference Shares*

During the Replacement Period, if the Retention Overcollateralization Test is not met on any Determination Date, a portion of the Interest Proceeds that might otherwise have been paid to the Holders of the Preference Shares on the related Payment Date will instead be deposited into the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds, as described under clause (18) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

*The Controlling Class Will Control Many Rights under the Indenture; However, Some Rights of the Controlling Class to Sell the Collateral in Connection with an Event of Default Are Limited*

Under the Indenture, many rights of the Holders of the Notes will be controlled by a Majority of the Controlling Class. Remedies pursued by the Holders of the Controlling Class upon an Event of Default could be adverse to the interests of the Holders of Securities subordinated to the Controlling Class. After any realization on the Collateral, proceeds will be allocated in accordance with the Priority of Payments pursuant to which the Notes and certain other amounts owing by the Co-Issuers will be paid in full before any allocation to the Preference Shares (except, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments), and each Class of Notes (along with certain other amounts owing by the Co-Issuers) will be paid serially in alphabetic order until it is paid in full before any allocation is made to the next Class of Notes.

However, the ability of the Controlling Class to direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral is subject to certain limitations. As described under “Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default,” if an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee must retain the Collateral intact and collect all payments in respect of the Collateral and continue making payments in accordance with the Priority of Payments and in accordance with the Indenture unless either (A) the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, determines that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds,” and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination or (B) the Holders of a Super Majority of each of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes direct, subject to the provisions of the Indenture, the sale and liquidation of the Collateral.

*Net Proceeds Less Than Aggregate Amount of the Securities*

It is anticipated that the proceeds received by the Issuer on the Closing Date from the issuance of the Securities, net of certain fees and expenses, will be less than the aggregate amount of the Securities. Consequently, it is anticipated that on the Closing Date the Collateral would be insufficient to repay the purchase price of the Securities in the event of an Event of Default under the Indenture on that date.

*The Issuer is Highly Leveraged, which Increases Risks to Investors*

The Issuer will be substantially leveraged. Use of leverage involves substantially increased risks to investors in the Securities. The leverage provided to the Issuer by the issuance of the Securities will result in interest expense and other costs incurred in connection with the borrowings that may not be covered by the net interest income, dividends and other cash flow in respect of the Collateral Obligations. The use of leverage generally magnifies the Issuer’s risk of loss, particularly for the more subordinate Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares. In certain circumstances, such as in connection with the exercise of remedies following an Event of Default, the Controlling Class may require the Issuer to dispose of some or all of the Collateral Obligations under unfavorable market conditions, thus causing the Issuer to recognize a loss that might not otherwise have occurred. In certain circumstances, the Controlling Class are entitled to direct the sales of Collateral Obligations and may be expected to do so in their own interest, rather than in the interests of the more subordinate Classes of Securities.

*Each of the Co-Issuers Is Newly Formed, Has No Significant Operating History, Has No Material Assets Other than the Collateral and Is Limited in Its Permitted Activities*

Each of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer is a newly formed entity and has no significant operating history, other than, with respect to the Issuer, in connection with the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations during the period up to the Ramp-Up Completion Date. Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer will have any material assets other than, with respect to the Issuer, the Collateral. The Indenture provides that the Issuer is not permitted to engage in any business activity other than the issuance of the Notes, the Preference Shares and the Issuer Ordinary Shares, the acquisition and disposition of Collateral Obligations, certain activities conducted in connection with the payment of amounts in respect of the Securities and the servicing of the Collateral, and other activities incidental or related to the foregoing and that the Co-Issuer is not permitted to engage in any business activity other than the co-issuance and sale of the Senior Notes, the issuance of its share capital, and other activities incidental or related to the foregoing. Income derived from the Collateral will be the Issuer’s principal source of cash.



*The Securities Are Not Registered Under the Securities Act and the Issuer Is Not Registered under the Investment Company Act*

The Issuer has not registered the Securities under the Securities Act and the Issuer is not registered under the Investment Company Act, in each case in reliance upon applicable exemptions to registration under the Securities Act and the Investment Company Act. The Issuer does not expect to register the Securities under the Securities Act nor become registered under the Investment Company Act at any time in the foreseeable future. As such, investors should be aware that the Issuer and the Securities are not subject to many of the regulatory protections and oversight applicable to securities that are registered under the Securities Act or applicable to registered investment companies.

*The Notes Are Limited Recourse Obligations; Investors Must Rely on Available Collections from the Collateral and Will Have No Other Source for Payment*

The Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuers and the Class E Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer. The Securities are payable solely from the Collateral pledged by the Issuer to secure the Notes. None of the security holders, members, officers, directors, partners, or incorporators of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, the Placement Agents, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Administrator, the Share Registrar, the Share Trustee, any of their respective affiliates, or any other person will be obligated to make payments on the Notes. The Issuer's ability to make interest payments and principal repayments on the Notes will be constrained by the terms of the Indenture. Holders of the Notes must rely solely on collections received on the Collateral pledged to secure the Notes and for the payment of interest and principal on the Notes, and there can be no assurance that those collections will be sufficient to pay all amounts due on the Notes. If distributions on the Collateral are insufficient to make payments on the Notes, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and, following liquidation of all of the Collateral, the Co-Issuers will not have any obligation to pay any deficiency, which shall be extinguished and shall not revive.

*The Preference Shares are not Secured Obligations; Investors Must Rely on Available Collections from the Collateral and Will Have No Other Source for Payment*

The Preference Shares will be part of the issued share capital of the Issuer. The Preference Shares are equity in the Issuer and are not secured by the Collateral Obligations or other Collateral securing the Notes. As such, the Holders of Preference Shares will rank behind all creditors, whether secured or unsecured and known or unknown, of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the Holders of the Notes and any Hedge Counterparties (other than, to the extent described under the "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments," the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares with respect to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments). Except with respect to the obligations of the Issuer to pay the amounts described under the "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" and "—Principal Proceeds," the Issuer does not, however, expect to have any creditors though there can be no assurance that this will be the case. In addition, the Issuer is also subject to limitations with respect to the business that it may undertake. See "The Co-Issuers—Business." Payments in respect of the Preference Shares are subject to certain requirements imposed by Cayman Islands law. Any amounts paid by the Preference Shares Paying Agent as dividends on the Preference Shares will be payable only if the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or balance in the Issuer's share premium account. In addition, dividends and the final payment upon redemption of the Preference Shares will be payable only to the extent that the Issuer is and will remain solvent after such dividends or redemption payment is paid. Under Cayman Islands law, a company is generally deemed to be solvent if it is able to pay its debts as they come due.

The Issuer's obligation to pay dividends or to make other distributions to the Holders of the Preference Shares will therefore not be a secured obligation of the Issuer and such Holders will not be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture, nor will the Trustee have any obligation to act on behalf of the Holders of Preference Shares. With the exception of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, Holders of the Preference Shares will only be entitled to receive amounts available for payment of

dividends or other distributions after payment of all amounts payable on each Class of Notes and certain other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments and only to the extent of distributable profits of the Issuer and/or any balance in the Issuer's share premium account and (in each case) only to the extent that the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distributions.

To the extent the requirements under Cayman Islands law described in the preceding paragraphs are not met, amounts otherwise payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares (with the exception of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) will be retained in the Preference Shares Distribution Account until, in the case of dividends, the next succeeding Payment Date on which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent such requirements are met and, in the case of any payment on redemption of the Preference Shares, the next succeeding Business Day on which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent such requirements are met. Amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account will not be available to pay amounts due to the Holders of the Notes, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Servicer, any Hedge Counterparty or any other creditor of the Issuer whose claim is limited in recourse to the Collateral. However, amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account may be subject to the claims of creditors of the Issuer that have not contractually limited their recourse to the Collateral. The Indenture and the Preference Share Documents will limit the Issuer's activities to the issuance and sale of the Securities, the acquisition and disposition of the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments and the other activities related to the issuance and sale of the Securities described under the "The Co-Issuers." The Issuer therefore does not expect to have any significant full recourse liabilities that would be payable out of amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

*The Issuer May Distribute Eligible Equity Securities to the Holders of the Preference Shares in Lieu of Cash*

The Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, may direct the Trustee to distribute Eligible Equity Securities, in lieu of a distribution of Interest Proceeds, in whole or in part, to the Holders of the Preference Shares who consent to such distribution with respect to any applicable Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities, determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date, is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be distributed to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares on the relevant Payment Date. The Market Value of any Eligible Equity Securities is subject to fluctuations and may increase or decrease following any distribution of such Eligible Equity Securities to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares, which, in certain circumstances, may result in the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares receiving overall a higher or lower internal rate of return compared with the internal rate of return received by the Holders of the Preference Shares who have not accepted any distribution of the Eligible Equity Securities.

*The Issuer May Not Be Able to Apply Available Funds to Acquire Appropriate Collateral*

The amount of Collateral Obligations purchased on the Closing Date, the amount and timing of the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations before the Ramp-Up Completion Date, and the subsequent application of Principal Proceeds, will affect the cash flows available to make payments on, and the return to the Holders of, the Securities. Reduced liquidity and relatively lower volumes of trading in certain Collateral Obligations, in addition to restrictions on acquisition represented by the Eligibility Criteria, could result in periods during which the Issuer is not able to fully utilize its available cash to acquire Collateral Obligations, and it is unlikely that the Issuer's available cash will be fully applied in Collateral Obligations at any time. The longer the period before application of cash or cash-equivalents to acquire Collateral Obligations and the larger the amount of such cash or cash equivalents, the greater the adverse impact may be on aggregate interest collected and distributed by the Issuer, thereby resulting in lower yield than could have been obtained if the net proceeds associated with the offering of the Securities and all Principal Proceeds were immediately and fully applied. The associated risk will be borne first by the Holders of the Preference Shares and second by the Holders of the Notes (beginning with the most subordinated Class of Notes). Although the Servicer may mitigate this risk to some degree during the Replacement Period by declaring a Special Redemption, the Servicer is not required to do so,

and any Special Redemption may result in a lower yield on the Issuer's assets than could have been obtained if the net proceeds from the offering of the Securities and all Principal Proceeds were immediately and fully applied and no Special Redemption had taken place.

Generally, Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations, and Sale Proceeds received on the Collateral Obligations) will be applied during the Replacement Period (and, Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, may be applied on any date after the Replacement Period, at the discretion of the Servicer) to purchase replacement Collateral Obligations or temporarily held in Eligible Investments pending purchase of replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The earnings with respect to replacement Collateral Obligations will depend, among other factors, on interest rates available in the marketplace at the time and on the availability of Collateral Obligations acceptable to the Servicer that satisfy the criteria under "Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria." The need to satisfy the criteria and identify acceptable Collateral Obligations may require the purchase of replacement Collateral Obligations having lower yields than those initially acquired or require that Principal Proceeds be held temporarily in cash or Eligible Investments, which will reduce the yield earned by the Issuer. Further, issuers of Collateral Obligations may be more likely to exercise any rights they may have to redeem them when interest rates or spreads are declining. Any decrease in the yield on the Collateral Obligations will reduce the amounts available to make payments of principal and interest on the Notes and payments on the Preference Shares.

The Issuer expects that, as of the Closing Date, it will have purchased (or entered into commitments to purchase) approximately U.S.\$862,000,000 in Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations to be included in the anticipated portfolio as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

*Changes in Tax Law Could Result in the Imposition of Withholding Taxes with Respect to Payments on the Securities, and the Issuer Will Not Gross-Up Payments to Holders*

Although no withholding tax is currently imposed by the United States or the Cayman Islands on payments on the Securities, there can be no assurance that, as a result of any change in any applicable law, treaty, rule, regulation, or interpretation thereof, the payments with respect to the Securities would not in the future become subject to withholding taxes. If any withholding tax is imposed on payments on any Securities, the Issuer will not "gross up" payments to their Holders.

*The Securities Are Subject to Substantial Transfer Restrictions*

The Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act, under any U.S. state securities or "Blue Sky" laws, or under the securities laws of any other jurisdiction and are being issued and sold in reliance upon exemptions from registration provided by those laws. No Securities may be sold or transferred unless: the sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act (for example, in reliance on exemptions provided by Rule 144A or Regulation S) and applicable state securities laws; and the sale or transfer does not cause either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral to become subject to the registration requirements of the Investment Company Act. See "Transfer Restrictions" and "Considerations for Benefit Plans."

*Non-Compliance with Restrictions on Ownership of the Securities and Acquisition or Disposition of Collateral Obligations under the United States Investment Company Act of 1940 Could Adversely Affect the Issuer*

Neither of the Co-Issuers has registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") as an investment company pursuant to the Investment Company Act in reliance on an exclusion from the definition of "investment company" under Section 3(c)(7) for companies organized under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States or any of its states whose investors residing in the United States are solely "qualified purchasers" (within the meaning given to such term in the Investment Company Act and related SEC regulations).

The Issuer and the Co-Issuer may, at any time following the Closing Date, rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7) upon (a) receipt of an opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm providing that neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer is required to register as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on such exclusion under Rule 3a-7 and (b) notice to the Holders of the Securities in accordance with the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. In connection with this alternate reliance, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents may be amended without the consent of any Holders to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Issuers or the Holders that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7. See “—The Servicer May Cause the Issuer to Amend the Indenture to Assure Compliance with Rule 3a-7 Without the Consent of the Holders of the Securities in a Manner that May Adversely Affect the Holders of Securities.”

No opinion or no-action position with respect to the registration of either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral under the Investment Company Act has been requested of, or received from, the SEC. If the SEC or a court of competent jurisdiction were to find that the Issuer or the Co-Issuer is required, but in violation of the Investment Company Act had failed, to register as an investment company, possible consequences include the following: (i) the SEC could apply to a district court to enjoin the violation; (ii) investors in the Issuer or the Co-Issuer could sue the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, and recover any damages caused by the violation; and (iii) any contract to which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, is party whose performance involves a violation of the Investment Company Act would be unenforceable by any party to the contract unless a court were to find that under the circumstances enforcement would produce a more equitable result than non-enforcement and would not be inconsistent with the purposes of the Investment Company Act.

In addition, the Issuer’s being required to register as an investment company would result in an Event of Default. See “Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default.” Should the Issuer or the Co-Issuer be subjected to any or all of the foregoing, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, would be materially and adversely affected.

*Restrictions on Acquisition or Disposition of Collateral Obligations May Reduce the Earnings of the Holders of the Securities*

Rule 3a-7 imposes limitations on the ability of the Issuer to purchase or sell assets, including prohibiting the Issuer from purchasing or selling assets for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. The Indenture will restrict the Issuer from purchasing and selling assets consistent with such requirements of Rule 3a-7. Under these restrictions the Issuer may be required to hold a Collateral Obligation or precluded from acquiring a Collateral Obligation when it would have sold such Collateral Obligation or acquired such Collateral Obligation, as applicable, had it based such determination on the market value changes in the value of such Collateral Obligations. As a result, greater losses on the Collateral may be sustained and there may be insufficient proceeds on any Payment Date to pay in full any expenses of the Issuer or any amounts payable to the Trustee or the Administrator (all of which amounts are payable prior to payments in respect of the Notes) and the payments due on the Securities. See “Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations.”

*The Servicer May Cause the Issuer to Amend the Indenture to Assure Compliance with Rule 3a-7 Without the Consent of the Holders of the Securities in a Manner That May Adversely Affect the Holders of Securities*

On the Closing Date, HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries will purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares. The Servicer will act as the manager for HFP. HFP and Highland Financial Trust, the owner of substantially all of the limited partnership interests of HFP, may need to rely on an exception from the definition of “investment company” and the requirement to register under the Investment Company Act that in turn depends upon the Issuer not being an investment company required to register under the Investment Company Act by reason of Rule 3a-7 thereunder in lieu of the Issuer’s reliance on

Section 3(c)(7). It is expected that, in connection with certain capital raising activities of Highland Financial Trust, the SEC may consider the applicability of Rule 3a-7 to the Issuer. If it were determined that the Issuer cannot rely on Rule 3a-7, the Servicer may cause the Issuer to amend the Indenture without the consent of the Holders of the Notes and without the consent of the Holders of the Preference Shares to enable the Issuer to rely on Rule 3a-7, which could require additional limitations and prohibitions on the circumstances under which the Issuer may sell assets, on the type of assets that the Issuer may acquire out of the proceeds of assets that mature, are refinanced or otherwise sold, on the period during which such transactions may occur, on the level of transactions that may occur or on other provisions of the Indenture and could adversely affect the earnings of the Issuer and its ability to make payments on the Notes and distributions to the Preference Shares. As a condition to the effectiveness of any such amendment to the Indenture, the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer will receive (i) a Rating Confirmation with respect to such amendment and (ii) a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such amendment and assuming compliance with the Indenture as so amended, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act in reliance on such exemption under Rule 3a-7. Such nationally recognized law firm may also be acting as counsel to the Servicer, certain Holders of Notes and/or Preference Shares. The interests of any such parties may not coincide with the interest of other Holders of Notes and/or Preference Shares. See "Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Supplemental Indenture."

*The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary*

The Stated Maturity of the Notes is July 27, 2018 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date. The weighted average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years until their Stated Maturity. See "Description of the Securities." The weighted average life of a Class of Notes will be affected by the amount and timing of payments of principal of the Notes and the amount and timing of payments received on the Collateral Obligations. The amount and timing of payments of principal on the Notes will be affected by, among other things, any Optional Redemption of the Notes, a failure of any Coverage Test, a Rating Confirmation Failure, any failure by the Servicer to apply the proceeds of the offering of the Securities in Collateral Obligations, a redemption of the Securities made in connection with a Tax Event, any Special Redemption of one or more Classes of Notes, and an Event of Default by the Issuer in the payment of the Notes and an acceleration of the principal of the Notes in connection with an Event of Default. The occurrence of any of the foregoing unscheduled principal repayments of the Notes is, in turn, determined by the amount and timing of payments on the Collateral, which will be dependent on, among other things, the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral and the characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, including the existence and frequency of exercise of any prepayment, optional redemption, or sinking fund features, the prevailing level of interest rates, the redemption price, the actual default rate and the actual level of recoveries on any Defaulted Collateral Obligations, the frequency of tender or exchange offers for the Collateral Obligations and any sales of Collateral Obligations, dividends or other distributions received on any obligations that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange do not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, as well as the risks unique to Collateral Obligations of foreign issuers. See "Security for the Notes."

*A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected*

Under the Indenture, the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled, on each Extension Effective Date, to extend the Replacement Period (a maximum of four times) to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. Under the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents, if the Replacement Period is so extended, the Stated Maturity of the Notes (or, in the case of the Preference

Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) will be equally extended and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended without the requirement for any approval or consent of any Holders of Securities. Holders of Securities will not be able to prevent or prohibit the extension of the Stated Maturity of the Notes (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) so long as the Extension Conditions are satisfied, which include the ability of Holders of Securities to sell their Securities at the designated purchase price to a designated purchaser under the Indenture. However, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Indenture provides that Holders of Preference Shares that have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% as of the Extension Effective Date will not receive any payment in exchange for their Preference Shares sold in connection with a Maturity Extension.

The Issuer and/or Servicer may (but shall not be obligated to) agree separately with one or more Holders of Notes, Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares (including an IXIS Company or an affiliate of the Servicer) that any such Holder will have the right to receive a greater purchase price than the Extension Purchase Price set forth in the Indenture and, in the case of any such Holder of Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares (including an IXIS Company or an affiliate of the Servicer), that such Holder will have the right to receive such purchase price if such Holder has not received an agreed upon Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as the case may be, as of the Extension Effective Date that is in excess of 12.0%.

As a consequence, if the Servicer elects to extend the Replacement Period and the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Holders of the Securities may either be required to hold their Securities for a significantly longer period of time or be forced to sell their Securities for the applicable purchase price under the Indenture, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Securities.

*An Amendment Buy-Out May Result in a Shorter Holding Period Than Expected*

Any Non-Consenting Holder of Securities with respect to an amendment of the Indenture (which includes Holders that fail to respond to a consent solicitation within the applicable period) may be forced to sell its applicable Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Securities. However, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Indenture provides that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price will be zero for Non-Consenting Holders that have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% as of the Amendment Buy-Out Date. See “Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out.” A Holder’s ability to vote against an amendment or affect or influence the amendment process with respect to the Indenture may thus be limited. The Amendment Buy-Out Option may also increase the ability of the Servicer to affect or influence the amendment process.

The Issuer and/or Servicer may (but shall not be obligated to) agree separately with one or more Holders of Notes, Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares (including an IXIS Company or an affiliate of the Servicer) that any such Holder will have the right to receive a greater purchase price than the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price set forth in the Indenture and, in the case of any such Holder of Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares (including an IXIS Company or an affiliate of the Servicer), that such Holder will have the right to receive such purchase price if such Holder has not received an agreed upon Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as the case may be, as of the Amendment Buy-Out Date that is in excess of 12.0%.

*The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests*

If any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied on any Determination Date on which the Notes of the relevant Class are Outstanding, Interest Proceeds available on the related Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments (and, to the extent Interest Proceeds are insufficient, Principal Proceeds available on the Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments) are required to be applied to pay principal of the relevant Class of Notes (and any Classes senior to it) to the extent necessary for the

relevant Coverage Test to be satisfied. The application of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to pay principal of the Notes to the extent necessary to restore the Coverage Tests to certain minimum required levels could result in an elimination, deferral or reduction in the amounts available to make distributions on the Preference Shares and interest and principal payments on one or more classes of Notes, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of the Securities.

*The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure*

If any rating of any Class of Notes is reduced or withdrawn or placed on credit watch with negative implications by the Business Day after the 29<sup>th</sup> day after the Ramp-Up Completion Date by either Rating Agency, Interest Proceeds and, if Interest Proceeds are insufficient, Principal Proceeds, are required to be diverted in accordance with the Priority of Payments and used to pay the principal of the Notes sequentially in order of their relative priority on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date after that until each rating is reinstated. The application of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to pay principal of the Notes to the extent necessary for one or more ratings to be reinstated could result in an elimination, deferral, or reduction in one or more payments or distributions on one or more Classes of Securities, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of those Classes of Securities.

*The Indenture Permits Special Redemption of Notes Based on the Servicer's Inability to Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations*

The Servicer is permitted under the Indenture to elect to have all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations applied to a Special Redemption of the Notes, in whole or in part, on one or more Payment Dates during the Replacement Period because it has been unable, for a period of at least 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional or replacement Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the application of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations. On the Special Redemption Date, in accordance with the Indenture, the Special Redemption Amount will be applied in accordance with "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds," to the extent available (which includes for this purpose unapplied proceeds specified by the Servicer), to pay the principal of the Notes. The application of funds in that manner could result in an elimination, deferral, or reduction of amounts available to make payments on Securities subordinate in priority to the Securities being amortized. See "Description of the Securities—Special Redemption of Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture."

*The Notes Are Subject to Optional Redemption*

Subject to satisfaction of certain conditions, on any Payment Date upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the Holders of at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares may require that the Notes be redeemed as described under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption." In the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Servicer may be required to aggregate Collateral Obligations to be sold together in one block transaction, thereby possibly resulting in a lower realized value for the Collateral Obligations sold. There can be no assurance that the market value of the Collateral will be sufficient for the Holders of the Preference Shares to direct an Optional Redemption of the Notes. A decrease in the market value of the Collateral would adversely affect the Sale Proceeds from their sale. Consequently, the conditions precedent to the exercise of an Optional Redemption may not be met. Moreover, the Holders of the Notes may not be able to invest the proceeds of the redemption of the Notes in investments providing a return equal to or greater than the Holders of the Notes expected to obtain from their investment in the Notes.

*Future Ratings of the Notes Are Not Assured and Limited in Scope; the Preference Shares Are Not Rated*

It is a condition to the issuance of the Notes that they be rated as provided under “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.” A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and is subject to revision or withdrawal at any time. There is no assurance that a rating will remain for any given period or that a rating will not be lowered or withdrawn entirely by each Rating Agency if in its judgment circumstances in the future so warrant. Any such action could have an adverse effect on the Holders of the relevant Class of Securities. If a rating initially assigned to a Class of Notes is subsequently lowered for any reason, no person is obligated to provide any additional credit support or credit enhancement. The ratings of the Notes are based on the assumption that no Maturity Extension occurs at any time.

No rating of the Preference Shares will be sought or obtained in connection with their issuance.

*Events Outside the Control of the Co-Issuers and the Servicer Can Affect the Securities*

Various acts of God, force majeure, and certain other events beyond the control of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Collateral Administrator, the Indenture Registrar, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Administrator could affect the ability of financial institutions to process payments and transfer funds and could impair the financial records and record-keeping practices of financial institutions and others (including the Trustee, the Servicer, the Collateral Administrator, the Indenture Registrar, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Administrator). In addition, the existence of those circumstances could cause lenders and other creditors more readily to agree to restructure debt obligations (including payment terms) than they would in the absence of those circumstances. The existence of those circumstances could adversely affect the ability of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, to make timely payments on the Securities.

*The Issuer could be Treated as Engaged in a United States Trade or Business*

Prior to the issuance of the Securities, the Issuer will receive an opinion from Latham & Watkins LLP (“**Tax Counsel**”), which opinion is based in part on the safe harbor provided by Section 864(b)(2) of the Code and the Treasury regulations thereunder applying to non-U.S. persons that restrict their activities in the United States to trading in stocks and securities for their own account. The opinion will be to the effect that, although no activity closely comparable to that contemplated by the Issuer has been the subject of any Treasury regulation, revenue ruling or judicial decision and the matter is not free from doubt, assuming compliance with the Issuer’s Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement and other related documents by all parties thereto, the Issuer’s permitted activities will not cause it to be treated as engaged in the conduct of a U.S. trade or business under the Code. However, in the absence of authority on point, whether the Issuer is or will be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States or not is not entirely free from doubt, and there can be no assurance that positions contrary to those stated in the opinion of Tax Counsel or any other advice or opinion may not be asserted successfully by the Internal Revenue Service (the “**IRS**”). The opinion is based on certain assumptions and on certain representations and agreements regarding restrictions on the future conduct of the activities of the Issuer and the Servicer. Although the Issuer intends to conduct its business in accordance with such assumptions, representations and agreements, if it were nonetheless determined that the Issuer was engaged in a United States trade or business and had taxable income that is effectively connected with such United States trade or business, foreign investors in Preference Shares that would otherwise not be subject to U.S. federal income tax would be subject to U.S. federal income tax on their allocable share of the Issuer’s income and the Issuer would be required to withhold on income allocable to such foreign investors of the Preference Shares regardless of whether distributions were made to such holders. Such withholding may reduce the amounts available to make payments on the Notes and would reduce distributions to the holders of the Preference Shares. Investors should note that the Treasury and the IRS recently announced that they are considering taxpayer requests for specific guidance on, among other things, whether a foreign person may be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States by virtue of entering into credit default swaps. However, the Treasury and the IRS have not



yet provided any guidance on whether they believe entering into credit default swaps may cause a foreign person to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States and if so, what facts and circumstances must be present for this conclusion to apply. Any future guidance issued by the Treasury and/or the IRS may have an adverse impact on the tax treatment of the Issuer. See discussion under the heading “Material Income Tax Considerations—U.S. Federal Income Taxation of the Issuer—U.S. Federal Income Tax” below. There can be no assurance that, if the Issuer were determined to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States, it would be able to make timely payments of interest on, payment of principal and payment of other distributions at the applicable Stated Maturity of the Securities. In addition, all or a portion of the payments on the Securities to a holder that is not a U.S. Holder (as defined in “Material Income Tax Considerations—General” below) could in such circumstance be subject to a 30% U.S. federal withholding tax. See “Material Income Tax Considerations.”

### *Benefit Plan Investors*

Certain transactions involving the Co-Issuers in the ordinary course might be deemed to constitute “prohibited transactions” under the United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”), and Section 4975 of the Code with respect to Benefit Plan Investors (as defined in “Considerations for Benefit Plans”) subject thereto that purchase the Securities, if assets of the Issuer and/or the Co-Issuer were deemed to be “plan assets” subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or Similar Law (as defined in “Considerations for Benefit Plans”). The Issuer intends to restrict ownership of the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares by Benefit Plan Investors so that no assets of the Issuer will be deemed to be “plan assets” of a plan subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code. Specifically, the Issuer, in reliance on purchaser and transferee representations and deemed representations, intends to restrict the acquisition of the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares so that less than 25% of the aggregate outstanding amount of each of the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares will be held by Benefit Plan Investors (determined without regard to those Class E Notes and Preference Shares held by Controlling Persons (as defined in “Considerations for Benefit Plans”), such as the Class E Notes and the Class II Preference Shares held by the Servicer or its affiliates and employees thereof). However, there can be no assurance that the ownership of any of the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares by Benefit Plan Investors will always remain below the 25% threshold established under the Plan Asset Regulation (as defined in “Considerations for Benefit Plans”).

Although the Co-Issuers believe that the Senior Notes should be classified as indebtedness (rather than as equity) for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulation (as defined in “Considerations for Benefit Plans”) (and thus will allow more than 25% of each class of Senior Notes to be purchased by Benefit Plan Investors), there can be no assurance that the Senior Notes will be so characterized, and the characterization of one or more classes of the Senior Notes could change if the financial condition of the Co-Issuers changes or other terms and conditions of the Senior Notes change.

If the Benefit Plan Investor ownership of any of the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares were to meet or exceed the 25% threshold described above, or any class of the Senior Notes were characterized as equity and such threshold were exceeded with respect to such class, resulting in the assets of the Co-Issuers being deemed to be “plan assets,” certain transactions that the Co-Issuers might enter into, or may have entered into, in the ordinary course of business, might constitute non-exempt prohibited transactions under ERISA and/or Section 4975 of the Code and might have to be rescinded. Additionally, the Co-Issuers or other “parties in interest” (as defined in Section 3(14) of ERISA) or “disqualified persons” (as defined in Section 4975(e)(2) of the Code) may be subject to other penalties and liabilities with respect to the transaction.

In addition, the acquisition or holding of the Securities by or on behalf of a plan subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, or a governmental, foreign or church plan subject to laws substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, could give rise to a prohibited transaction if any of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Placement Agents, other persons providing services in connection with the Co-Issuers, or any of their respective affiliates, is

a “disqualified person” or “party in interest” with respect to that plan. If such transaction is not exempt from ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code or, if applicable, substantially similar laws pertaining to governmental, foreign or church plans, the transaction may have to be rescinded and the Co-Issuers or other “disqualified persons” or “parties in interest” may be subject to other penalties with respect to the transaction. Therefore, each investor in the Securities will be required or deemed to represent and warrant that either (i) it is not, and is not using the assets of, and throughout the holding and disposition of such Securities will not become or transfer its interest to, a plan subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, or an entity that is deemed to hold assets of any of the foregoing or a governmental, foreign or church plan which is subject to any federal, state, foreign or local law that is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or (ii) its purchase, holding and disposition of such Securities will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law) because such purchase, holding and disposition either (x) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (y) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all of the conditions of which are and will be satisfied upon the acquisition of, and throughout its holding and disposition of such Securities.

Any transfer in violation of the foregoing representations will be treated as having no force and effect and will be null and void *ab initio*, potentially causing loss to the investor purchasing in violation of these representations.

See “Considerations for Benefit Plans” herein for a more detailed discussion of certain ERISA and related considerations with respect to an investment in the Securities by an employee benefit plan or similar plan or arrangement.

### **Relating to the Servicing Agreement**

*The Servicing Agreement May Be Amended Without the Consent of Holders of Securities Whether or Not Such Amendment Adversely Affects Holders of Securities*

The Issuer may, at the request of the Servicer, enter into an amendment or modification of the Servicing Agreement from time to time, without the consent of the Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not the interests of the Holders of the Securities are adversely affected thereby; *provided that*, with respect to any such amendment or modification, (a) the Rating Condition is satisfied and (b) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares have not objected in writing to such amendment or modification by delivering a notice to the Trustee prior to the relevant Objection Cut-Off Date. Holders of the Securities other than Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and Holders of the Preference Shares will have no ability to vote against any such amendment or modification. The ability of the Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and Holders of the Preference Shares to influence the amendment process is limited to the right of a Majority of either such Class to object as described above. To the extent that less than a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares object to the proposed amendment or modification, the Servicer may request that the Issuer enter into such amendment or modification and the Trustee consent thereto, without regard to the fact that certain Holders of the Securities may have objected to such proposed amendment or modification.

### **Relating to the Servicer**

*The Issuer Will Depend on the Expertise Available to the Servicer and its Key Personnel*

The performance of the Issuer’s portfolio of Collateral Obligations depends heavily on the skills of the Servicer in analyzing, selecting and monitoring the Collateral Obligations. As a result, the Issuer will be highly dependent on the financial and servicing experience of certain professionals associated with the Servicer, none of whom is under a contractual obligation to the Issuer to continue to be associated with the Servicer for the term of this transaction. The loss of one or more of these individuals could have a material adverse effect on the performance of the Co-Issuers. Furthermore, the Servicer has informed

the Issuer that these professionals are also actively involved in other activities and will not be able to devote all of their time to the Issuer's business and affairs. In addition, individuals not currently associated with the Servicer may become associated with the Servicer and the cash-flow performance of the Collateral Obligations may also depend on the financial and servicing experience of such individuals. See "The Servicing Agreement" and "The Servicer."

*The Issuer Will Have Limited Control of the Administration and Amendment of Collateral Obligations*

The Servicer will cause the Issuer to exercise or enforce, or refrain from exercising or enforcing, its rights in connection with the Collateral Obligations or any related documents or will refuse amendments or waivers of the terms of any Collateral Obligation and related documents in accordance with its ordinary business practices as if the Servicer were administering the Collateral Obligations for its own account. The authority of the Servicer to cause the Issuer to change the terms of the Collateral Obligations will generally not be restricted by the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement. As a result, the Issuer will be relying on the Servicer's customary standards, policies and procedures with respect to the servicing of the Collateral Obligations. The Holders of the Securities and the Issuer will not have any right to compel the Issuer or the Servicer to take or refrain from taking any actions other than in accordance with its ordinary business practices.

In addition, when the Issuer holds a Participation, the Issuer generally will have no right to enforce compliance by the borrower with the loan or credit agreement or other instrument evidencing the related loan obligation, no rights of set-off against the borrower, no direct interest in the collateral supporting the loan obligation, and no right to vote with respect to amendments of, or waivers of defaults under, the loan obligation. However, most participation agreements relating to Participations in loans provide that the Participating Institution may not vote in favor of any amendment, modification, or waiver that forgives principal, interest, or fees; reduces principal, interest, or fees that are payable; postpones any payment of principal (whether a scheduled payment or a mandatory prepayment), interest or fees; or releases any material guarantee or security without the consent of the participant (at least to the extent the participant would be affected by the amendment, modification, or waiver). A Participating Institution voting in connection with a potential waiver of a default by an obligor may have interests different from those of the Issuer, and the Participating Institution might not consider the interests of the Issuer in connection with its vote. In addition, many participation agreements relating to Participations in loans that do provide voting rights to the participant further provide that if the participant does not vote in favor of amendments, modifications, or waivers, the Participating Institution may repurchase the Participation at par. In the event of the insolvency of the Participating Institution, the Issuer may be treated as a general creditor of the Participating Institution with respect to a Participation and may not benefit from any set-off between the Participating Institution and the borrower and may not be able to proceed against the collateral supporting the loan obligation. As a result, the Issuer is subject to the credit risk of both the borrower and the Participating Institution. An acquisition by the Issuer of a Synthetic Security related to a Loan involves many of the same considerations relevant to Participations. See "—Relating to the Collateral Obligations—Loans Involve Particular Risks" and "—Synthetic Securities Involve Particular Risks" below.

A modification that would increase the commitment of a lender, reduce the interest rate, or postpone the final maturity of an obligation under a participation agreement, or release all of the collateral for an obligation, generally requires the affirmative vote of the participating lender for a loan in which the Issuer owns a Participation, or of the Issuer for a Loan purchased by assignment, for the increase, reduction, or postponement to be binding. The exercise of remedies may also be subject to the vote of a specified percentage of the lenders under the loan obligation. The Servicer will have the authority to cause the Issuer to consent to certain amendments, waivers, or modifications to the Collateral Obligations requested by obligors or the lead agents for participation agreements relating to Participations (subject to operating procedures intended to reduce the risk that the Issuer would be deemed to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States for United States federal income tax purposes). The Servicer may, subject to the transaction documents, cause the Issuer to extend or defer the maturity, adjust the

outstanding balance of any Collateral Obligation, reduce or forgive interest or fees, release material collateral or guarantees, or otherwise amend, modify, or waive the terms of any related loan agreement, including its payment terms. The Servicer will make determinations in accordance with its servicing standards under the Servicing Agreement. Any amendment, waiver, or modification of a Collateral Obligation could postpone the expected maturity of the Notes or the expected redemption date of the Preference Shares, or reduce the likelihood of timely and complete payment of interest or principal under the Notes or a full return of an investment in the Preference Shares.

*Performance History of the Servicer May Not Be Indicative of Future Results*

Any prior results of the Servicer, and the persons associated with it or any other entity may not be indicative of the Issuer's future results. The nature of, and risks associated with, the Issuer's future assets may differ substantially from those assets historically associated with the Servicer, and the persons associated with it or any other entity. There can be no assurance that the Issuer's assets will perform as well as the past assets serviced or managed by the Servicer, and the persons associated with it or any other entity. Moreover, since the criteria that govern the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations do not govern the Servicer's activities generally, the acquisition and disposition of Collateral Obligations conducted in accordance with the criteria contained in the Indenture, and the results they yield, may differ substantially from other assets serviced or managed by the Servicer.

Other accounts, collateralized debt obligations or other funds managed or serviced by the Servicer that are similar to the Issuer ("**Other Debt Funds**") have been structured to comply with the exemption from registration under the Investment Company Act provided by Section 3(c)(7) thereunder, whereas the Issuer is also structured to comply with the exemption from registration provided by Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act and may in the future, subject to the conditions described herein, rely exclusively on such exemption from registration provided by Rule 3a-7. Rule 3a-7 requires certain additional limitations and restrictions on the buying and selling of assets of the Issuer that are not applicable to the assets of the Other Debt Funds relying on the Section 3(c)(7) exemption from registration. As a result, the Issuer's ability to react to changes in market value of the assets is more limited and the returns on the Issuer's assets and the Securities, including the returns on the Preference Shares, may not be comparable to, and may differ materially from, the performance of the Other Debt Funds.

Notwithstanding the inapplicability of the results obtained and expected to be obtained from the past activities of the Servicer, a period of increased volatility in market conditions, including interest rate environments, can have an adverse effect on the realized and unrealized returns to investors in the past products of the Servicer. There can be no assurance that current economic conditions and the effects of increased interest rate and corresponding price volatility will not adversely impact the investment returns ultimately realized by investors or continued compliance with, among other things, applicable coverage requirements described in this Offering Memorandum.

**Relating to the Collateral Obligations**

*In General, the Collateral Obligations Are Subject to Various Risks*

The Collateral Obligations are subject to credit, liquidity, and interest rate risks, among others. The Eligibility Criteria and the Collateral Quality Tests have been established to address certain assumed deficiencies in payment occasioned by defaults with respect to the Collateral Obligations. If any deficiencies exceed certain modeled scenarios, however, payments or distributions on the Securities could be adversely affected. To the extent that a default occurs with respect to any Collateral Obligation securing the Notes and the Issuer (on the advice of the Servicer) sells or otherwise disposes of the Collateral Obligation, it is not likely that the proceeds of the sale or other disposition will be equal to the amount of principal and interest owing to the Issuer on the Collateral Obligation.

The value of the Collateral Obligations generally will fluctuate with, among other things, the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral Obligations and, with respect to

Synthetic Securities, both the financial condition of the related Synthetic Security counterparties and the obligors on or issuers of the Reference Obligations, general economic conditions, the condition of certain financial markets, political events, developments or trends in any particular industry, and changes in prevailing interest rates.

The ability of the Issuer to sell Collateral Obligations before their maturity is subject to certain restrictions under the Indenture including those described under “Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations.”

*Below Investment-Grade Obligations Involve Particular Risks*

A substantial amount of the Collateral Obligations will consist of loans, bonds and other obligations that are below investment grade, including high-yield loans and securities. Those Collateral Obligations will have greater credit and liquidity risk than investment-grade obligations. They are also often unsecured and may be subordinated to certain other obligations of their issuer. The lower rating of those Collateral Obligations reflects a greater possibility that adverse changes in the financial condition of an issuer or in general economic conditions or both may impair the ability of their issuer to make payments of principal or interest. These Collateral Obligations may be speculative.

Risks of below investment-grade Collateral Obligations may include (among others):

- (i) limited liquidity and secondary market support;
- (ii) in the case of fixed-rate high-yield debt securities, substantial market place volatility resulting from changes in prevailing interest rates;
- (iii) subordination to the prior claims of senior lenders and creditors;
- (iv) the operation of mandatory sinking fund or call and redemption provisions during periods of declining interest rates that could cause the Issuer to apply premature redemption proceeds in lower-yielding debt obligations;
- (v) the possibility that earnings of the below investment-grade issuer may be insufficient to meet its debt service; and
- (vi) the declining creditworthiness and potential for insolvency of a below investment-grade issuer during periods of rising interest rates and economic downturn.

An economic downturn or an increase in interest rates could severely disrupt the market for below investment-grade obligations and could adversely affect the value of outstanding below investment-grade obligations and the ability of their issuers to repay principal and interest.

Issuers that are below investment grade may be highly leveraged and may not have available to them more traditional methods of financing. The risk associated with obligations of below investment-grade issuers is generally greater than is the case with investment-grade issuers. For example, during an economic downturn or a sustained period of rising interest rates, below investment-grade issuers may be more likely to experience financial stress, especially if they are highly leveraged. During those periods, timely service of debt obligations may also be adversely affected by specific issuer developments, or the issuer's inability to meet specific projected business forecasts or the unavailability of additional financing. The risk of loss from default by the issuer is significantly greater for the holders of below investment-grade obligations because those obligations may be unsecured and may be subordinated to obligations owed to other creditors of the issuer. In addition, the Issuer may incur additional expenses to the extent it is required to seek recovery upon a default on such an obligation or participate in its restructuring.

As a result of the limited liquidity of below investment-grade obligations, their prices have at times experienced significant and rapid decline when a substantial number of holders decided to sell. In

addition, the Issuer may have difficulty disposing of certain below investment-grade obligations because there may be a thin trading market for them. To the extent that a secondary trading market for below investment-grade obligations does exist, it is generally not as liquid as the secondary market for highly rated obligations. Reduced secondary market liquidity may have an adverse impact on the Issuer's ability to dispose of particular Collateral Obligations in response to a specific economic event, such as a deterioration in the creditworthiness of the issuer of the Collateral Obligation.

#### *Loans Involve Particular Risks*

The Collateral Obligations will consist primarily of Dollar-denominated senior secured and senior unsecured loans, which are required by the Indenture to be obligations of corporations, partnerships, or other entities organized under the laws of the United States (or any of its states) or of foreign obligors meeting specified criteria, or Synthetic Securities the Reference Obligations of which are such loans. See "Security for the Notes—Collateral Obligations."

Loans may become non-performing for a variety of reasons. Non-performing loans may require substantial workout negotiations or restructuring that may entail, among other things, a substantial reduction in the interest rate or a substantial write-down of the principal of a loan. In addition, because of the unique and customized nature of a loan agreement and the private syndication of a loan, loans typically may not be purchased or sold as easily as publicly traded securities, and historically the trading volume in the bank term loan market has been small relative to the corporate bond market. Loans may encounter trading delays due to their unique and customized nature, and transfers may require the consent of an agent bank or borrower.

The Issuer may acquire interests in loans either directly (by assignment) or indirectly (by Participation or through Synthetic Securities). The Issuer may not originate any loans. The purchaser of an assignment of a loan obligation typically succeeds to all the rights and obligations of the selling institution and becomes a lender under the loan or credit agreement with respect to the debt obligation. In contrast, a Participation acquired by the Issuer in a portion of a loan obligation held by a Participating Institution or a security or other debt obligation typically results in a contractual relationship only with the Participating Institution, not with the borrower. The Issuer would have the right to receive payments of principal, interest, and any fees to which it is entitled under a Participation only from the Participating Institution and only upon receipt by the Participating Institution of those payments from the borrower. The Issuer will be subject to restrictions on the amount of Participations that may be acquired for inclusion in the Collateral. See "Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria."

Certain of the loans in the Issuer's portfolio may be unsecured or secured by collateral worth less than the outstanding balance of the loan. In addition to the general risks associated with loans described above, unsecured loans will not be secured by substantial collateral or any collateral and secured loans may be substantially under-secured. Without collateral and with materially inadequate collateral, the ability of the holder of the loan to recover amounts due from the borrower may be substantially limited.

#### *Structured Finance Obligations Involve Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of Structured Finance Obligations and Synthetic Securities the Reference Obligations of which are Loans, Structured Finance Obligations or High-Yield Bonds. Structured Finance Obligations may present risks similar to those of the other types of Collateral Obligations which the Issuer may purchase and, in fact, the risks may be of greater significance in the case of Structured Finance Obligations. Moreover, purchasing Structured Finance Obligations may entail a variety of unique risks. Among other risks, Structured Finance Obligations may be subject to prepayment risk, credit risk, liquidity risk, market risk, structural risk, legal risk and interest rate risk (which may be exacerbated if the interest rate payable on a Structured Finance Obligation changes based on multiples of changes in interest rates or inversely to changes in interest rates). In addition, certain Structured Finance Obligations (particularly subordinated collateralized bond obligations) may provide that non-payment of interest is not an event of default in certain circumstances and the holders of the securities will therefore not have available to them any associated default remedies.

During the period of non-payment, unpaid interest will generally be capitalized and added to the outstanding principal balance of the related security. Furthermore, the performance of a Structured Finance Obligation will be affected by a variety of factors, including its priority in the capital structure of its issuer, the availability of any credit enhancement, the level and timing of payments and recoveries on and the characteristics of the underlying receivables, loans, or other assets that are being securitized, bankruptcy remoteness of those assets from the originator or transferor, the adequacy of and ability to realize on any related collateral, and the skill of the manager or the servicer of the Structured Finance Obligation in managing or servicing securitized assets. The price of a Structured Finance Obligation, if required to be sold, may be subject to certain market and liquidity risks for securities of its type at the time of sale. In addition, Structured Finance Obligations may involve initial and ongoing expenses above the costs associated with the related direct purchases.

#### *Synthetic Securities Involve Particular Risks*

As described above, a portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of Synthetic Securities, the Reference Obligations of which are Loans, Structured Finance Obligations or High-Yield Bonds. Acquiring these types of assets through the purchase of Synthetic Securities present risks in addition to those inherently associated with direct purchases of such assets. With respect to Synthetic Securities, the Issuer will usually have a contractual relationship only with the counterparty of the Synthetic Security, and not the reference obligor on the Reference Obligation. The Issuer will have no right to enforce compliance by the reference obligor with the Reference Obligation nor any rights of set-off against the reference obligor, nor have any voting or other consensual rights of ownership with respect to the Reference Obligation. The Issuer will not directly benefit from any collateral supporting the Reference Obligation and will not have the benefit of the remedies that would normally be available to a holder of the Reference Obligation.

In addition, in the event of the insolvency of the Synthetic Security Counterparty, the Issuer will be treated as a general creditor of the counterparty and will not have any claim of title with respect to the Reference Obligation. Consequently, the Issuer will be subject to the credit risk of the counterparty as well as that of the reference obligor and concentrations of Synthetic Securities entered into with any one counterparty will subject the Securities to an additional degree of risk with respect to defaults by that counterparty. One or more Affiliates of the IXIS Placement Agents may act as counterparty with respect to all or a portion of the Synthetic Securities, which relationship may create certain conflicts of interest. See “—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the IXIS Placement Agent” below. In addition, Synthetic Securities may involve initial and ongoing expenses above the costs associated with the related direct acquisitions. The Issuer will be subject to restrictions on the amount of Synthetic Securities it may own at any one time.

#### *Some of the Collateral Obligations Will Be Illiquid*

Some of the Collateral Obligations purchased by the Issuer will have no, or only a limited, trading market. The Issuer's acquisition of illiquid Collateral Obligations may restrict its ability to dispose of Collateral Obligations in a timely fashion and for a fair price, as well as its ability to take advantage of market opportunities, although the Issuer is generally prohibited by the Indenture from selling Collateral Obligations except under certain limited circumstances described under “Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations.” Illiquid Collateral Obligations may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid assets. In addition, the Issuer may purchase privately placed Collateral Obligations that may or may not be freely transferable under the laws of the applicable jurisdiction or due to contractual restrictions on resale, and even if those privately placed Collateral Obligations are transferable, the prices realized from their sale could be less than those originally paid by the Issuer or less than what may be considered their fair value.

*Insolvency Considerations With Respect to Issuers of Collateral Obligations May Affect the Issuer's Rights*

Various laws enacted for the protection of creditors may apply to the Collateral Obligations. If, in a lawsuit brought by a creditor or representative of creditors of an obligor under a Collateral Obligation (such as a trustee in bankruptcy), a court were to find that the obligor did not receive fair consideration or reasonably equivalent value for incurring the indebtedness evidenced by the Collateral Obligation and, after giving effect to the indebtedness and the use of the proceeds thereof, the obligor (i) was insolvent, (ii) was engaged in a business for which the remaining assets of the obligor constituted unreasonably small capital or (iii) intended to incur, or believed that it would incur, debts beyond its ability to pay them as they mature, the court could determine to invalidate, in whole or in part, the indebtedness as a fraudulent conveyance, to subordinate the indebtedness to existing or future creditors of the obligor, or to recover amounts previously paid by the obligor in satisfaction of the indebtedness. There can be no assurance as to what standard a court would apply to determine whether the obligor was "insolvent" or that, regardless of the method of valuation, a court would not determine that the obligor was "insolvent," in each case, after giving effect to the incurrence of the Collateral Obligation and the use of its proceeds. In addition, in the event of the insolvency of an obligor under a Collateral Obligation, payments made on the Collateral Obligation may be subject to avoidance as a "preference" if made within a certain period before insolvency (which may be as long as approximately one year).

In general, if payments on a Collateral Obligation are avoidable, whether as fraudulent conveyances or preferences, the payments can be recaptured either from the initial recipient (such as the Issuer) or from subsequent transferees of the payments (such as the Holders of the Securities). To the extent that any payments are recaptured from the Issuer, the resulting reduction in payments on the Securities will be borne by the Holders of the applicable Class of Securities. A court in a bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding would be able to direct the recapture of any payment from a Holder of the Securities to the extent that the court has jurisdiction over the Holder or its assets. Since there is no judicial precedent relating to structured securities such as the Securities, there can be no assurance that a Holder of Securities will be able to avoid recapture on this basis.

The preceding discussion is based on principles of United States federal and state laws. Insofar as Collateral Obligations that are obligations of non-United States obligors are concerned, the laws of certain foreign jurisdictions may provide for avoidance remedies under factual circumstances similar to, or broader or narrower than, those described above, with consequences that may or may not be analogous to those described above under United States federal and state laws.

*International Collateral Obligations Involve Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of obligations of obligors Domiciled outside the United States. Acquiring assets outside the United States may involve greater risks than acquiring assets in the United States. These risks may include: less publicly available information; varying levels of governmental regulation and supervision; and the difficulty of enforcing legal rights in a foreign jurisdiction and uncertainties as to the status, interpretation and application of laws. Moreover, foreign companies may be subject to accounting, auditing, and financial reporting standards, practices, and requirements different from those applicable to U.S. companies.

There generally is less governmental supervision and regulation of exchanges, brokers and issuers in foreign countries than there is in the United States. For example, there may be no comparable provisions under certain foreign laws with respect to insider trading and similar investor protection securities laws that apply with respect to securities transactions consummated in the United States.

Foreign markets also have different clearance and settlement procedures, and in certain markets there have been times when settlements have failed to keep pace with the volume of securities transactions, making it difficult to conduct transactions. Delays in settlement could result in periods when assets of the Issuer are unapplied and no return is earned on them. The inability of the Issuer to make intended purchases of Collateral Obligations due to settlement problems or the risk of intermediary



counterparty failures could cause the Issuer to miss opportunities to acquire Collateral Obligations. The inability to dispose of a Collateral Obligation due to settlement problems could result either in losses to the Issuer due to subsequent declines in the value of the Collateral Obligation or, if the Issuer has entered into a contract to sell the security, could result in possible liability to the purchaser. Transaction costs of buying and selling foreign securities, including brokerage, tax, and custody costs, also are generally higher than those involved in domestic transactions. Furthermore, foreign financial markets, while generally growing in volume, have, for the most part, substantially less volume than U.S. markets, and securities of many foreign companies are less liquid and their prices more volatile than securities of comparable domestic companies.

In certain foreign countries there is the possibility of expropriation, nationalization, or confiscatory taxation; limitations on the convertibility of currency or the removal of securities, property, or other assets of the Issuer; political, economic, or social instability; or adverse diplomatic developments, each of which could have an adverse effect on the Issuer's purchase of Collateral Obligations in the foreign countries (which may make it more difficult to pay Dollar-denominated obligations such as the Collateral Obligations). The economies of individual non-U.S. countries may also differ favorably or unfavorably from the U.S. economy in such respects as growth of gross domestic product, rate of inflation, volatility of currency exchange rates, depreciation, capital reinvestment, resource self-sufficiency and balance of payments position.

*Lender Liability Considerations and Equitable Subordination Can Affect the Issuer's Rights with Respect to Collateral Obligations*

In recent years, a number of judicial decisions in the United States have upheld the right of borrowers to sue lenders and bondholders on the basis of various evolving legal theories (collectively termed "**lender liability**"). Generally, lender liability is founded on the premise that a lender has violated a duty (whether implied or contractual) of good faith and fair dealing owed to the debtor or has assumed a degree of control over the debtor resulting in the creation of a fiduciary duty owed to the debtor or its other creditors or shareholders. Because of the nature of the Collateral Obligations, the Issuer may be subject to allegations of lender liability. In addition, under common law principles that in some cases form the basis for lender liability claims, a court may elect to subordinate the claim of the offending lender to the claims of the disadvantaged creditors, a remedy called "equitable subordination," if a lender: (i) intentionally takes an action that results in the undercapitalization of a borrower to the detriment of other creditors of the borrower; (ii) engages in other inequitable conduct to the detriment of the other creditors; (iii) engages in fraud with respect to, or makes misrepresentations to, the other creditors; or (iv) uses its influence as a lender to dominate or control a borrower to the detriment of other creditors of the borrower.

Because the Collateral Obligations are primarily Loans, the Issuer may be subject to claims from creditors of an obligor that Collateral Obligations issued by the obligor that are held by the Issuer should be equitably subordinated. However, the Servicer does not intend to engage in conduct that would form the basis for a successful cause of action based on lender liability or the equitable subordination doctrine. Nonetheless, no assurances can be given that actions taken in good faith by the Servicer will not result in losses to issuers of Collateral Obligations, and that the Issuer will not be liable for any such losses. Furthermore, the Issuer and the Servicer may be unable to control the conduct of lenders under a loan syndication agreement requiring less than a unanimous vote, yet the Issuer may be subject to lender liability or equitable subordination for such conduct.

The preceding discussion is based on principles of United States federal and state laws. Insofar as Collateral Obligations that are obligations of non-United States obligors are concerned, the laws of certain foreign jurisdictions may impose liability on lenders or bondholders under factual circumstances similar to, or broader or narrower than, those described above, with consequences that may or may not be analogous to those described above under United States federal and state laws.

*Notes May Be Affected by Interest Rate Risks, Including Mismatches Between the Notes and the Collateral Obligations*

The Notes bear interest at a rate based on LIBOR as determined on the second Business Day prior to the first day of the relevant Interest Period. The Collateral Obligations will consist primarily of obligations that bear interest at floating rates, which floating rates may be different than the floating rates on the Floating Rate Notes. Accordingly, the Notes are subject to interest rate risk to the extent that there is an interest rate mismatch between the rates at which interest accrues on the Notes and the rates at which interest accrues on the Collateral. In addition, there may be a timing mismatch between the Floating Rate Notes and the Floating Rate Obligations as the interest on the Floating Rate Obligations may adjust more or less frequently, on different dates and based on different indices than the interest rates on the Floating Rate Notes. Furthermore, any payments of principal of or interest on Collateral received during a Due Period will (except to a limited extent specified in the Indenture) be held in Eligible Investments maturing not later than the Business Day immediately preceding the next Payment Date. There is no requirement that Eligible Investments bear interest at LIBOR or a similar rate, and the interest rates available for Eligible Investments are inherently uncertain. As a result of these mismatches, an increase or decrease in LIBOR for the relevant maturity could adversely affect the ability of the Issuer to make interest payments on the Notes (including due to a rise or a decline in the value of previously issued Collateral Obligations or other Collateral that bear interest at a fixed rate as LIBOR decreases or increases, as applicable) and to make distributions or final distributions on the Preference Shares. To mitigate a portion of the interest rate mismatch, the Issuer may enter into Hedge Agreements that are (in the case of Hedge Agreements entered into after the Closing Date) subject to a Rating Confirmation. However, there can be no assurance that the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, together with the Hedge Agreements, will in all circumstances generate sufficient Interest Proceeds to make timely payments of interest on the Notes. Moreover, the benefits of any Hedge Agreements may not be achieved in the event of the early termination of the Hedge Agreements, including termination upon the failure of the related Hedge Counterparty to perform its obligations under the Hedge Agreement. See “Security for the Notes—Hedge Agreements.”

The Servicer may direct the Issuer to reduce the notional amount of, or otherwise adjust the terms of, any Hedge Agreement outstanding at any time, subject, in the case of any reduction or adjustment made on or after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, to obtaining a Rating Confirmation.

*Changes in Tax Law Could Result in the Imposition of Withholding Taxes with Respect to Payments on the Collateral Obligations, and the Obligor on the Collateral Obligations will not Gross-Up Payments to the Issuers*

The Issuer expects that payments received on the Hedge Agreements, and generally on the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, will not be subject to withholding taxes imposed by the United States or reduced by withholding taxes imposed by any other country from which such payments are sourced unless the obligor is required to make “gross-up” payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding taxes. In the case of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments issued by U.S. obligors after July 18, 1984 that are in registered form, payments thereon generally are exempt under current United States tax law from the imposition of United States withholding tax. See “Material Income Tax Considerations—United States Federal Taxation of the Issuer.” However, there can be no assurance that, as a result of any change in any applicable law, treaty, rule or regulation or interpretation thereof, the payments on the Hedge Agreements, Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments would not in the future become subject to withholding taxes imposed by the United States of America or another jurisdiction. In that event, if the obligors of such Hedge Agreements, Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments were not then required to make “gross-up” payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding taxes, the amounts available to make payments on, or distributions to, the holders of the Notes would accordingly be reduced. There can be no assurance that remaining payments on the Collateral would be sufficient to make timely payments of interest on, payment of principal and payment of other distributions at the Stated Maturity of the Securities.

Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, the Notes shall be redeemable at the applicable Redemption Price, in whole, but not in part, by the Issuer at the written direction of the Holders of at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares, as described under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

*The Issuer Has the Right to Engage in Securities Lending, which Involves Counterparty Risks and Other Risks*

The Collateral Obligations may be loaned for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) that have, or are guaranteed by entities that have, long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or a guarantor with those ratings at the time of the loan, of at least “A1” (and not “A1” but on credit watch with negative implications) and “P-1” (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody’s and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least “A” from S&P. See “Security for the Notes—Securities Lending.” The loans must be secured by cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America, in an amount at least equal to 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value of the loaned Collateral Obligations, determined on a daily basis. However, if the borrower of a loaned Collateral Obligation defaults on its obligation to return the loaned Collateral Obligation because of insolvency or otherwise, the Issuer could experience delays and costs in gaining access to the collateral posted by the borrower (and in extreme circumstances could be restricted from selling the collateral). If the borrower defaults, the Issuer could suffer a loss to the extent that the realized value of the cash or securities securing the obligation of the borrower to return a loaned Collateral Obligation (less expenses) is less than the amount required to purchase the Collateral Obligation in the open market. This shortfall could be due to, among other factors, discrepancies between the mark-to-market and actual transaction prices for the loaned Collateral Obligations arising from limited liquidity or availability of the loaned Collateral Obligations and, in extreme circumstances, the loaned Collateral Obligations being unavailable at any price.

The Rating Agencies may downgrade any of the Notes if a borrower of a Collateral Obligation or, if applicable, the entity guaranteeing the performance of the borrower has been downgraded by one of the Rating Agencies such that the Issuer is not in compliance with the Securities Lending Counterparty rating requirements. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the IXIS Placement Agents or Affiliates of the Servicer, which may create certain conflicts of interest. See “—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer” and “—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the IXIS Placement Agents” below.

*A Substantial Amount of Collateral Obligations Was Acquired Before the Closing Date, and the Terms of the Acquisition May Adversely Affect the Issuer*

In anticipation of the issuance of the Securities, (a) the Issuer, the Servicer, MMP-5 Funding, LLC (in that capacity, the “**IXIS Warehouse Provider**”) and IXIS Financial Products entered into the Master Warehousing and Participation Agreement (the “**IXIS Warehouse Agreement**”), (b) the Issuer, the Servicer and Highland Special Opportunities Holding Company (in that capacity, the “**Highland Warehouse Provider**”) entered into a separate Master Warehousing and Participation Agreement (the “**Highland Warehouse Agreement**”) and (c) the Issuer, the Servicer and Grand Central Asset Trust, SOH Series (in that capacity, the “**Grand Central Warehouse Provider**” and, together with the IXIS Warehouse Provider and the Highland Warehouse Provider, the “**Warehouse Providers**”) entered into the Master Participation Agreement (the “**Grand Central Warehouse Agreement**” and, together with the IXIS Warehouse Agreement and Highland Warehouse Agreement, the “**Warehouse Agreements**”). Pursuant to the Warehouse Agreements:

- (i) the Servicer has agreed to service, on behalf of the Issuer, the selection of certain Loans and other obligations to be acquired by the Issuer before the Closing Date (the “**Warehoused Loans**”);

- (ii) 100% participation in each Warehoused Loan will be acquired by the applicable Warehouse Provider, concurrently with the acquisition of such Warehoused Loan by the Issuer, for a purchase price equal to the purchase price paid by the Issuer for the related Warehoused Loan; and
- (iii) the Servicer or one of its Affiliates is entitled to the economic return on, and has assumed the risks (including risks associated with defaults affecting the Warehoused Loans) in respect of, the Warehoused Loans for the period prior to the Closing Date as set forth in the Warehouse Agreements and certain related documents.

On the Closing Date, the Issuer and each of the Warehouse Providers will terminate the participations in the Warehoused Loans (with any Warehoused Loans that would not satisfy the eligibility criteria of the Warehouse Agreements applicable on or before the Closing Date being sold by the Issuer). Generally, the price to be paid by the Issuer to each of the Warehouse Providers in connection with the termination of their participation in a Warehoused Loan will reflect the price originally paid by the Issuer to acquire the Warehoused Loan, *plus* the amount of extensions of credit in respect of certain Warehoused Loans, *minus* the aggregate amount of payments of principal received by the applicable Warehouse Provider, in respect of such Warehoused Loan (excluding the amount, if any, of any such payment that was required to be repaid or returned by any Warehouse Provider by claw-back or otherwise), *plus* all accrued and unpaid interest and fees on such Warehoused Loan. Therefore, the purchase price paid by the Issuer on the Closing Date for each Collateral Obligation may be higher or lower than the prevailing market price of such Collateral Obligation as of the Closing Date.

### **Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest**

#### *In General, the Transaction Will Involve Various Potential and Actual Conflicts of Interest*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise from the overall servicing, advisory and other activities of the Servicer and its Affiliates and from the conduct by the Placement Agents and their respective Affiliates of other transactions with the Issuer, including acting as counterparty with respect to Hedge Agreements, Securities Lending Agreements, and Synthetic Securities. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

#### *The Holders of the Class II Preference Shares Control Appointment and Removal of Directors of the Issuer*

HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase all of Class II Preference Shares on the Closing Date. Class II Preference Shares will have total control with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer as long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is higher than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date. The Class I Preference Shares will have no voting rights with respect to the appointment or removal of directors. As of the Closing Date, the Class II Preference Shares Outstanding will constitute a Majority of the Preference Shares Outstanding. HFP and/or its subsidiaries that purchase Class II Preference Shares will agree not to transfer any of the Class II Preference Shares to any Person other than Investors Corp. Any transfer of Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to Investors Corp. will require redesignation by the Share Registrar of such Class II Preference Shares as Class I Preference Shares. If at any time, due to such redesignation upon sale of any Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to Investors Corp., the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding is reduced so that it is equal to or lower than the number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding, Class II Preference Shares will automatically become non-voting shares and will no longer be entitled to vote with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer.

As long as Class II Preference Shares retain the voting rights with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer, HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries that have purchased such

Class II Preference Shares will be able to appoint and remove any of the directors. The directors appointed by HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries may be Affiliates of HFP or the Servicer. No other Holders of the Securities will have any right to vote with respect to such appointments and removals of directors of the Issuer.

*The Holders of the Class II Preference Shares May Control or Prevent Removal of the Servicer, Appointment of a Replacement Servicer and Optional Redemption of the Notes*

The Class II Preference Shares to be purchased by HFP or any of its subsidiaries at closing are expected to constitute a Majority of the Preference Shares. As such, and absent any express exclusion, so long as HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries maintain their position in such Preference Shares, HFP and such subsidiaries, as applicable, will hold the controlling vote on any decision that requires a Majority of the Preference Shares and will hold a blocking position with respect to any decision that requires a higher percentage of Preference Shares.

Pursuant to the Servicing Agreement, such agreement may be terminated and the Servicer may be removed by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee (acting at the direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes) or by a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding Preference Shares held by the Servicer, any of its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (or, with respect to Class I Preference Shares held by Investors Corp. at such time, Holding Preference Shares held by the Servicer, any of its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority) other than, with respect to the Class II Preference Shares, HFP or any of its subsidiaries; *provided* that, with respect to the voting authority of the Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the “independent directors” (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by any of the “independent directors” of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) (each such non-excluded Preference Share, a “**Voting Preference Share**”), in each case for “cause” upon 10 days’ prior written notice. Further, the Issuer’s ability to appoint a successor servicer is subject to, among other things, the written direction of a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares. As such, if the Class II Preference Shares continue to constitute a Majority of Preference Shares, HFP and any of its subsidiaries that hold Class II Preference Shares will collectively control the ability of the Holders of the Preference Shares to both remove the Servicer for “cause” and appoint the Servicer’s replacement. Since HFP is managed by the Servicer, HFP may have a conflict of interest and may be less likely to exercise these rights than the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares. In such case, should the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares believe that “cause” exists to remove the Servicer, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may prevent their ability to do so.

The Holders of at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares may give written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Servicer directing an optional redemption of the Notes upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period. After such Notes are retired, the Holders of a Majority or of all of the Preference Shares (depending on the form of redemption) may effect an optional redemption of the Preference Shares. As a result of the foregoing, and so long as they hold a controlling block of Preference Shares, the vote of HFP and/or its applicable subsidiaries will be required to redeem the Securities. As an entity managed by the Servicer, HFP may once again have interests that differ from those of the Class I Preference Shares. Should the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares seek to redeem the Securities, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may prevent their ability to do so.

*The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise from the overall activities of the Servicer, its Affiliates and the subsidiaries of HFP. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

Conflicts of interest may arise for the Servicer with respect to its obligations to the Issuer from the overall activities of the Servicer, its Affiliates and the subsidiaries of HFP, for the accounts of its other clients. For example, the Servicer, its Affiliates and their respective clients and the subsidiaries of HFP may acquire loans, securities, and other obligations that would be appropriate for inclusion in the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations, as well as in loans, securities, and other obligations that are senior to, or have interests different from or adverse to, assets that are pledged to secure the Notes. Furthermore, Affiliates of the Servicer may serve as general partners or managers of special-purpose entities organized to issue other collateralized loan obligations ("CLOs") secured primarily by corporate loans and collateralized debt obligations ("CDOs") secured by corporate debt obligations or asset backed securities. The Servicer and its Affiliates may also have ongoing relationships with, render services to, or engage in transactions with, companies whose loan obligations or securities are pledged to secure the Notes and may now or in the future own (as portfolio assets or otherwise) loan obligations or equity or debt securities issued by issuers of or obligors on, Collateral Obligations or other Collateral. An Affiliate of the Servicer may earn fees with respect to financial advisory services rendered to companies in connection with workouts or the subsequent restructuring of such companies. Such fees and advice may continue for a period of time after any such workout or restructure. The Issuer may own an interest in the securities of such companies. The Servicer will endeavor to resolve conflicts with respect to opportunities in a manner that it deems equitable to the extent possible under the prevailing facts and circumstances.

The Servicer and its Affiliates may possess information relating to issuers of Collateral Obligations or other Collateral that (i) may constrain the Issuer's asset acquisition as a consequence of the Servicer's inability to use such information for asset acquisition purposes or otherwise to take actions that would be in the best of interests of the Issuer or (ii) is not known to the employees of the Servicer responsible for monitoring the Collateral and performing the other obligations of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement. The Servicer, its Affiliates and their respective clients and the subsidiaries of HFP may at certain times be simultaneously seeking to purchase or dispose of assets for the respective accounts of the Issuer, any similar entity for which it serves as manager or advisor, and for its clients or Affiliates.

Neither the Servicer nor any of its Affiliates has any affirmative obligation to offer any assets to the Issuer or to inform the Issuer of any assets before offering any assets to other funds or accounts that the Servicer or any of its Affiliates manage or service. Furthermore, the Servicer may be bound by affirmative obligations in the future, whereby the Servicer is obligated to offer certain assets to funds or accounts that it manages or services before or without the Servicer offering those assets to the Issuer.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Servicer such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Servicer, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the United States Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (the "**Advisers Act**"). The Servicing Agreement also provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Servicer, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Advisers Act.

The Servicer currently serves as the servicer or portfolio manager for a number of special purpose vehicles that have issued securities secured by or referencing collateral consisting of assets similar to the Collateral Obligations, which may create conflicts in allocating its time and services among the Issuer and

the Servicer's other accounts. The Servicer and its Affiliates and the subsidiaries of HFP may own equity or other securities of issuers of or obligors on Collateral Obligations or other Collateral and may have provided and may provide in the future, advisory and other services to issuers of Collateral. In addition, the Servicer and its Affiliates may act as the Securities Lending Counterparty under any Securities Lending Agreement entered into by the Issuer.

The Servicer may resign at any time and may be removed for cause by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee (acting at the direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes) or by a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares. Upon the resignation or removal of the Servicer, the Issuer, at the written direction of a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares, may appoint a replacement servicer if (x) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes held by the Servicer, its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries; *provided* that, with respect to the voting authority of Notes owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) (each such non-excluded Note, a "**Voting Note**") or (y) a Majority of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single Class) do not object to the replacement servicer. See "The Servicing Agreement." Securities (or, with respect to Preference Shares held by Investors Corp. at such time, Holding Preference Shares) held by the Servicer, its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries) will have no voting rights with respect to any vote in connection with removal of the Servicer for "cause" and will be deemed not to be outstanding in connection with any vote to remove the Servicer for "cause" and to appoint a replacement servicer; *provided* that, with respect to the voting authority of Class II Preference Shares or Notes owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall be determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiary) of HFP or such subsidiary. Except to the extent specified otherwise, Securities (or, with respect to Preference Shares held by Investors Corp. at such time, Holding Preference Shares) held by the Servicer, its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority at the time of such vote will have voting rights with respect to all other matters as to which the Holders of the Securities are entitled to vote, including any vote to direct an Optional Redemption. See "The Servicing Agreement" and "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption."

The Issuer expects to acquire substantially all of the Collateral Obligations to be acquired by the Closing Date during an accumulation period before the Closing Date (the "**Accumulation Period**") and will finance those purchases with financing provided by (a) the IXIS Warehouse Provider, which has entered into a total return swap with an Affiliate of the IXIS Placement Agents and thereby transferred any risk of providing the warehouse to such Affiliate of the IXIS Placement Agents; (b) the Highland Warehouse Provider, which is an affiliate of the Servicer (c) the Grand Central Warehouse Provider. The Issuer will be required to repurchase the participations providing that financing by the Closing Date with the proceeds of the issuance of the Securities. The Collateral Obligations purchased before the Closing Date will be chosen by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, subject to certain rights of the Warehouse Providers. Any interest accrued on Collateral Obligations purchased by the Issuer before the Closing Date will be paid to the Servicer. As a result, investors in the Securities will be assuming the risk of market value and credit quality changes in the Collateral Obligations from the date the Collateral Obligations are acquired during the Accumulation Period but will not receive the benefit of interest earned on the Collateral Obligations during that period.

On the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase Class II Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$45,000,000 and (ii) the Servicer or its Affiliates are expected to purchase Class E Notes having an aggregate principal amount equal to U.S.\$31,500,000 and Holding Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$21,000,000. In addition, the Servicer or its Affiliates may also acquire Preference Shares upon the occurrence of an Amendment Buy-Out or a Maturity Extension as described herein. To the extent that the

interests of the Holders of the Notes differ from the interests of the Holders of the Preference Shares, the holding of Preference Shares by the Servicer or its Affiliates may create additional conflicts of interest.

The Servicer will be entitled to receive the Senior Servicing Fee, the Subordinate Servicing Fee and the Supplemental Servicing Fee, as further described herein. The structure of such fees may cause the Servicer to direct the Issuer to purchase more speculative Collateral Obligations than it would otherwise acquire in the absence of such performance based compensation. See “The Servicing Agreement.”

In addition to acting as Servicer to the Issuer, Highland Capital will act as manager for HFP, which will, on the Closing Date, purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares. Because Highland Capital will receive both a Servicing Fee from the Issuer for servicing the Collateral and a management fee from HFP for managing HFP’s assets, which will include the Class II Preference Shares (and therefore a residual interest in the Collateral), Highland Capital has agreed, in connection with the capital raising of Highland Financial Trust, to waive a portion of its Servicing Fees from the Issuer for two years following the Closing Date so as not to reduce the income realized by HFP or any of its subsidiaries that hold Class II Preference Shares, as the case may be, in respect of such Class II Preference Shares. Thereafter Highland Capital may at its discretion continue to waive such portion of its Servicing Fees or may elect to receive such Servicing Fees in their entirety. Accordingly, during the first two years following the Closing Date, an amount equal to a portion (representing the percentage ownership of the Preference Shares represented by the Class II Preference Shares) of the amounts that would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as a Servicing Fee will instead be payable as a special payment to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Thereafter, the Servicer may elect to continue to waive such same portion of the amounts that would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as a Servicing Fee, or any lesser portion of such amounts, and an amount equal to such waived amounts will be paid as a special payment to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares. The Class II Preference Shares and the Class I Preference Shares will vote together as a single class. Receipt of Servicing Fees in the form of dividends on Class II Preference Shares may cause HFP to have different incentives from the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares.

*The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Placement Agents*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise as a result of the investment banking, asset management, financing and financial advisory services and products provided by IXIS Capital Markets North America Inc. (“**IXIS**”) and its Affiliates (including the IXIS Placement Agents and their Affiliates, (each, an “**IXIS Company**” and together the “**IXIS Companies**”)) or by UBS Securities LLC and UBS Limited and their Affiliates (each, a “**UBS Company**” and together the “**UBS Companies**” and, together with the IXIS Companies, the “**Placement Agent Related Entities**”), to the Issuer, the Servicer, the issuers of the Collateral Obligations and others, as well as in connection with the investment, trading and brokerage activities of the Placement Agent Related Entities. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

The IXIS Placement Agents will serve as Placement Agents for the Senior Notes and will be paid fees and commissions for such service by the Issuer from the proceeds of the issuance of the Securities. One or more of the IXIS Companies may from time to time hold Securities for investment, trading or other purposes.

The UBS Placement Agents will serve as Placement Agents for a portion of the Class A Notes. Furthermore, it is expected that a UBS Company will purchase a certain amount of Class A Notes on the Closing Date and may hold such Class A Notes for its own account. Such UBS Company, as purchaser of such Class A Notes, will retain all voting rights associated with such Class A Notes, but will have no obligation to exercise any voting rights associated with such Class A Notes in any manner and, at any applicable time, may exercise such voting rights in a manner adverse to some or all of the other Holders of Securities. While such UBS Company may hold such Class A Notes, there is no requirement that such UBS Company continue to hold any Class A Notes after the Closing Date.



The Issuer's purchase of Collateral Obligations that are loans prior to the Closing Date was financed in part through the sale of participation interests therein to the IXIS Warehouse Provider pursuant to the IXIS Warehouse Agreement. A portion of the proceeds from the offering of the Securities will be paid to the IXIS Warehouse Provider to repurchase such participation interests. Pursuant to a total return swap transaction entered into on July 15, 2004, IXIS Financial Products, an Affiliate of the IXIS Placement Agents, will bear indirectly any risk to the IXIS Warehouse Provider for providing the warehouse. One or more conduits administered by an IXIS Company or an IXIS Company may purchase a portion of the Class A Notes or other Securities of the Issuer. Furthermore, it is expected that an IXIS Company will purchase a certain amount of Holding Preference Shares on the Closing Date. Each such IXIS Company, in its capacity as administrator of such conduits or purchaser, would retain all voting rights with respect to such Class A Notes or other Securities or Holding Preference Shares. While any such conduits administered by IXIS Companies or such IXIS Companies may hold such Class A Notes, other Securities or Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be, there is no requirement that any such conduits or IXIS Companies continue to hold such Class A Notes, other Securities or Holding Preference Shares after the Closing Date. If any such conduits or such IXIS Companies acquire such Class A Notes or any other Securities of the Issuer, it will have no obligation to exercise any voting rights associated with such Securities in any manner and, at any applicable time, may exercise such voting rights in a manner adverse to some or all of the other Holders of Securities.

The Issuer may have purchased and sold prior to the Closing Date, and may purchase or sell after the Closing Date, Collateral Obligations from, to or through, and purchase Synthetic Securities and enter into Hedge Agreements with, one or more of the Placement Agent Related Entities. Certain Eligible Investments may be issued, managed or underwritten by one or more of the Placement Agent Related Entities. One or more of the Placement Agent Related Entities may provide investment banking, commercial banking, asset management, financing and financial advisory services and products to the Servicer, its Affiliates, and funds serviced by the Servicer and its Affiliates, and purchase, hold and sell, both for their respective accounts or for the account of their respective clients, on a principal or agency basis, loans, securities, and other obligations and financial instruments of the Servicer, its Affiliates, and funds serviced by the Servicer and its Affiliates. As a result of such transactions or arrangements, one or more of the Placement Agent Related Entities may have interests adverse to those of the Issuer and Holders of the Notes and Preference Shares.

One or more of the Placement Agent Related Entities may:

- have placed or underwritten, or acted as a financial arranger, structuring agent or advisor in connection with the original issuance of, or may act as a broker or dealer with respect to, certain of the Collateral Obligations;
- be a counterparty to issuers of certain of the Collateral Obligations under swap or other derivative agreements;
- lend to certain of the issuers of Collateral Obligations or their respective Affiliates or receive guarantees from the issuers of those Collateral Obligations or their respective Affiliates;
- provide other investment banking, asset management, commercial banking, financing or financial advisory services to the issuers of Collateral Obligations or their respective Affiliates; or
- have an equity interest, which may be a substantial equity interest, in certain issuers of the Collateral Obligations or their respective Affiliates.

As a counterparty under swaps and other derivative agreements, the Placement Agent Related Entities might take actions adverse to the interests of the Issuer, including, but not limited to, demanding collateralization of its exposure under such agreements (if provided for thereunder) or terminating such swaps or agreements in accordance with the terms thereof. In making and administering loans and other

obligations, the Placement Agent Related Entities might take actions including, but not limited to, restructuring a loan, foreclosing on or exercising other remedies with respect to a loan, requiring additional collateral or other credit enhancement, charging significant fees and interest, placing the obligor in bankruptcy or demanding payment on a loan guarantee or under other credit enhancement. The Issuer's purchase, holding and sale of Collateral Obligations may enhance the profitability or value of investments made by the Placement Agent Related Entities in the issuers thereof. As a result of all such transactions or arrangements between the Placement Agent Related Entities and issuers of Collateral Obligations or their respective Affiliates, the Placement Agent Related Entities may have interests that are contrary to the interests of the Issuer and the Holders of the Notes and Preference Shares.

As part of their regular business, the Placement Agent Related Entities may also provide investment banking, commercial banking, asset management, financing and financial advisory services and products to, and purchase, hold and sell, both for their respective accounts or for the account of their respective clients, on a principal or agency basis, loans, securities, and other obligations and financial instruments and engage in private equity investment activities. The Placement Agent Related Entities will not be restricted in their performance of any such services or in the types of debt or equity investments, which they may make. In conducting the foregoing activities, the Placement Agent Related Entities will be acting for their own account or the account of their customers and will have no obligation to act in the interest of the Issuer.

The Placement Agent Related Entities may, by virtue of the relationships described above or otherwise, at the date hereof or at any time hereafter, be in possession of information regarding certain of the issuers of Collateral Obligations and their respective Affiliates, that is or may be material in the context of the Securities and that is or may not be known to the general public. None of the Placement Agent Related Entities has any obligation, and the offering of the Securities will not create any obligation on their part, to disclose to any purchaser of the Securities any such relationship or information, whether or not confidential.

## DESCRIPTION OF THE SECURITIES

The Notes will be issued pursuant to the Indenture. The terms of the Preference Shares are contained in the Issuer Charter and in certain resolutions adopted by the Issuer's Board of Directors on or before the Closing Date authorizing and approving the issuance of the Securities, as reflected in the minutes thereof (the "**Resolutions**" and, together with the Issuer Charter and the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the "**Preference Share Documents**"). The following summary describes certain provisions of the Notes, the Preference Shares, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. Copies of the Indenture may be obtained by prospective purchasers upon request in writing to the Trustee at Corporate Trust Services, One Federal Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Mailcode: EX-MA-FED, Boston, MA 02110-2004, Attention: CDO Unit—Red River CLO Ltd., and will be available at the office of AIB International Financial Services Ltd. (in such capacity, the "**Irish Paying Agent**") in the City of Dublin. Copies of the Preference Share Documents may be obtained upon request in writing to the Administrator at P.O. Box 1234, Queensgate House, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, Attention: the Directors—Red River CLO Ltd.

### Status and Security

The Senior Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuers. The Class E Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer. Each Note within a Class will rank *pari passu* with all other Notes of that Class. Under the Indenture, the Issuer will grant to the Trustee a first-priority security interest in the Collateral to secure the Issuer's obligations under the Indenture, the Notes, Hedge Agreements and the Servicing Agreement (collectively, the "**Secured Obligations**"). The Notes are payable solely from amounts received in respect of the Collateral pledged by the Issuer to secure the Notes. If the amounts received in respect of the Collateral (net of certain expenses) are insufficient to make payments on the Secured Obligations, in accordance with the Priority of Payments, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and, following liquidation of all the Collateral, the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, to pay the deficiency will be extinguished.

The Preference Shares are entitled to proceeds of the Collateral only to the extent that any such proceeds are remaining on any Payment Date after payment of all interest and principal payable on each Class of Notes on that Payment Date and the satisfaction of certain other amounts payable in accordance with the Priority of Payments. In addition, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares will be entitled, as and to the extent set forth herein, to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments pursuant to the priority provided in the Priority of Payments.

In furtherance of the priorities of payments among the Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares, the Indenture contains express subordination provisions pursuant to which the Holders of each Class of Notes that is a Junior Class as described below agree for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class that the Junior Class shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes of each Priority Class to the extent and in the manner provided in the Indenture.

If any Event of Default has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs under and in accordance with the Indenture, each Priority Class of Notes shall be paid in full in cash or, to the extent a Majority of each Class consents, other than in cash, before any further payment or distribution is made on account of any Junior Class of Notes with respect to the Priority Class. The Holders of each Junior Class of Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for failure to pay to them amounts due to the Junior Class, of the Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or under the Indenture until the payment in full of the Priority Classes or all the Classes, as the case may be and not before one year and a day, or if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, has elapsed since the payment.

For purposes of this provision, with respect to each Class of Notes, the Classes of Notes that are Priority Classes and Junior Classes are as follows:

Class	Junior Classes	Priority Classes
A	B, C, D, E, Preference Shares*	None
B	C, D, E, Preference Shares*	A
C	D, E, Preference Shares*	A, B
D	E, Preference Shares*	A, B, C
E	Preference Shares*	A, B, C, D, E
Preference Shares	None**	A, B, C, D, E

\*Other than with respect to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, which may be payable to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as set forth herein and will have priority to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

\*\*The Preference Shares will be entitled to certain residual cash flow after payment of senior obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

If, notwithstanding the provisions of the Indenture, any Holder of Notes of any Junior Class has received any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes contrary to the provisions of the Indenture, then, until each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class of Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or, to the extent a Majority of the Priority Class or the Class, as the case may be, consents, other than in cash in accordance with the Indenture, the payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, which shall pay and deliver the same to the Holders of the applicable Priority Classes of Notes or the Holders of all Classes of Notes, as the case may be. If any such payment or distribution is made other than in cash, it shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and subject in all respects to the Indenture.

Each Holder of Notes of any Junior Class agrees with all Holders of the applicable Priority Classes that the Holder of Junior Class Notes shall not demand, accept, or receive any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes in violation of the Indenture. After a Priority Class has been paid in full, the Holders of Notes of the related Junior Class or Classes shall be fully subrogated to the rights of the Holders of the Priority Class. Nothing in these provisions shall affect the obligation of the Issuer to pay Holders of any Junior Class of Notes.

Distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares are subordinate to distributions on the Notes as described in the Priority of Payments (other than, as and to the extent set forth herein, with respect to distribution of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments).

The Servicing Fees shall have priority only to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

#### **Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Preference Shares from Interest Proceeds**

The Notes of each Class will accrue interest during each Interest Period on their Aggregate Outstanding Amount (determined as of the first day of the Interest Period and after giving effect to any redemption or other payment of principal occurring on that day) at the applicable per annum interest rates for each such Class (the “**Note Interest Rate**”) equal to LIBOR for Eurodollar deposits for the applicable Interest Period *plus* the spread, as specified above under “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.” Interest accrued on the Notes shall be calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in the applicable Interest Period *divided by* 360. Payment of interest on each Class of Notes shall be subordinated to the payments of interest on the related Priority Classes and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of Deferred Interest in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered “payable” for the purposes of the Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for the Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest), until paid.

Interest shall cease to accrue on each Note, or in the case of a partial repayment, on the part repaid, from the date of repayment or its Stated Maturity unless payment of principal is improperly withheld or unless there is some other default with respect to the payments of principal.

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares, pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Interest Proceeds as described under clauses (22) and (24) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

In addition, on each Payment Date during the first two years following the Closing Date, Holders of the Class II Preference Shares will be entitled to distributions, on a *pro rata* basis, from the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account, equal to the Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment, the Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment and the Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment (if any)(collectively, the “**Class II Preference Share Special Payments**”). After the two-year anniversary of the Closing Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Issuer as the Class II Preference Share Special Payments. Any payments to the Holders of Class II Preference Shares of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments will have priority to the extent provided under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

For purposes of calculating the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, the following definitions shall apply:

“**Class II Preference Share Percentage**” means, for any Payment Date, a fraction, expressed as a percentage, the numerator of which is the number of Outstanding Class II Preference Shares on such Payment Date and the denominator of which is the total number of Outstanding Preference Shares on such Payment Date.

“**Class II Preference Share Portion**” means, for any Payment Date, 100% minus the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date.

“**Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment**” means, for any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Senior Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

“**Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment**” means, for any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Subordinated Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

“**Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment**” means, for any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**“Servicing Fee Portion”** means 100% minus (a) for any Payment Date from the Closing Date until (and including) the Payment Date on or immediately preceeding the second anniversary of the Closing Date, the Class II Preference Share Percentage for such Payment Date and (b) for any other Payment Date, a percentage (between 0% and 100%) selected by the Servicer in its sole discretion and reported to the Trustee in writing on or before the related Determination Date.

For purposes of calculating interest on each Class of Notes, the Issuer will initially appoint the Trustee as calculation agent (the Trustee in that capacity, and each successor calculation agent, the **“Calculation Agent”**).

As soon as possible after 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period, but in no event later than 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the next Business Day, the Calculation Agent will calculate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes for the related Interest Period and the amount of interest for the Interest Period payable in respect of each \$100,000 in principal amount of each Class of Floating Rate Notes (in each case rounded to the nearest cent, with half a cent being rounded upward) on the related Payment Date and will communicate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes and the date of the next Payment Date to the Trustee, the Placement Agents, each paying agent, Euroclear, Clearstream, the Depository, and (as long as the Senior Notes are listed on the ISE) the ISE.

The Calculation Agent may be removed by the Co-Issuers at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Co-Issuers or if the Calculation Agent fails to determine the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes or the amount of interest payable in respect of each Class of Floating Rate Notes for any Interest Period, the Issuer will promptly appoint as a replacement Calculation Agent a leading bank which is engaged in transactions in U.S. Dollar deposits in the international U.S. Dollar market and which does not control and is not controlled by or under common control with the Co-Issuers or any of their respective affiliates. The Calculation Agent may not resign its duties without a successor having been duly appointed. The determination of the Note Interest Rate with respect to each Class of Floating Rate Notes for each Interest Period by the Calculation Agent shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding upon all parties.

**“LIBOR”** means the offered rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent for any Interest Period, for three month Dollar deposits that appears on Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News (or a page that replaces Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), as of 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period.

If, on the second Business Day before the first day of any relevant Interest Period, that rate does not appear on Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Market Commodities News (or a page that replaces Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), the Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks to prime banks in the London interbank market for three month Dollar deposits in Europe, by reference to requests by the Calculation Agent to four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) (the **“Reference Banks”**) for quotations as of approximately 11:00 A.M. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the Interest Period. If at least two of the Reference Banks provide quotations as requested, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean. If fewer than two Reference Banks provide quotations, LIBOR shall be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that leading banks in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) are quoting to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period for three month Dollar deposits.

If the Calculation Agent is unable to determine a rate in accordance with any of the above procedures, LIBOR for the Interest Period shall be calculated on the last day of the Interest Period and shall be the arithmetic mean of the rate of interest for each day during the Interest Period determined by the Calculation Agent as being the rate of interest most recently announced by the Bank at its New York

office as its base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans (or if the Bank ceases to exist or is not quoting a base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans, another major money center commercial bank in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer)).

For the first Interest Period and, unless the Maturity Extension occurs, the last Interest Period, LIBOR shall be determined based on the actual number of days in the Interest Period using straight-line interpolation of two rates calculated in accordance with the above procedure, except that instead of using three month deposits, one rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next shorter than the Interest Period and the other rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next longer than the Interest Period. All calculations shall be calculated to at least four decimal places and rounded to four decimal places.

### **Principal Payments on the Notes and Distributions on the Preference Shares from Principal Proceeds**

The principal of each Note of each Class matures at par and is payable on the Payment Date that is the Stated Maturity for the Class of Notes, unless the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable at an earlier date by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise. The Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, unless redeemed prior thereto. The average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years from issuance until Stated Maturity for such Notes. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes Interests May Vary” and “Maturity and Prepayment Considerations.” Notwithstanding the foregoing, and except as set forth below, the payment of principal of each Class of Notes: (i) may only occur after principal on each Class of Notes that is a Priority Class with respect to the Class has been paid in full and (ii) is subordinated to the payment on each Payment Date of the principal and interest payable on the Priority Classes, and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments. However, (i) Interest Proceeds may be used to pay principal of the Class E Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class E Coverage Tests and (ii) Principal Proceeds may be used to pay Deferred Interest and other amounts before the payment of principal of the Notes. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

In general, principal payments will not be made on the Notes before the end of the Replacement Period, except in the following circumstances: (i) in connection with an Optional Redemption, (ii) at the option of the Servicer, to effect a Special Redemption of the Notes, (iii) pursuant to a redemption made in connection with a Tax Event or (iv) following a mandatory redemption of the Notes caused by a failure to meet any of the Coverage Tests or a Rating Confirmation Failure. After the Replacement Period, Principal Proceeds will be applied on each Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments to pay principal of each Class of Notes (except for Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations which may be applied to purchase Collateral Obligations to the extent described herein). No principal of any Class of Notes will be payable on any Payment Date other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and to the extent funds are available therefor on that Payment Date for that purpose, except that the principal of each Class of Notes will be payable in full at the Stated Maturity, unless repaid before that.

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares, pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Principal Proceeds as described under clauses (11)(A), (14) and (15) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

### **Legal Provisions Applicable to the Payments of Dividends from Interest Proceeds and Dividends or Other Distributions from Principal Proceeds**

Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment of dividends on, or the payment of the Redemption Price in respect of, the Preference Shares, will be

distributable to the Holders of the Preference Shares only if the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distribution and Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment of dividends in respect of the Preference Shares will be distributable to the Holders of the Preference Shares only if the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium and if the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distribution. Payments will be paid by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for payment of dividends and other distributions to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, on a *pro rata* basis according to the number of Preference Shares held by each Holder on the Record Date for such Payment Date.

### **Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**

#### *General*

The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Replacement Period to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date up to four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given the Trustee written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Securities or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents.

In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes or Preference Shares wishing to sell all or a portion of its Securities (or, with respect to any Preference Shares held by Investors Corp. at such time, any Holder of Holding Preference Shares wishing to sell all or a portion of the Holding Preference Shares held by such Holder) to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to “—Extension Procedure” below (such Securities (or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable) as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, “**Extension Sale Securities**”). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, each Holder providing an Extension Sale Notice shall be deemed to agree that no Extension Sale Securities of any Holder shall be purchased unless all Extension Sale Securities of all Holders are purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date and the other Extension Conditions are satisfied as of such date. In addition, one or more Holders may enter into an agreement with the Issuer and/or the Servicer that such Holder will have the right to receive a greater purchase price than the Extension Purchase Price set forth in the Indenture. See “Risk Factors – A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected.”

The Maturity Extension shall be effective only if the following conditions (the “**Extension Conditions**”) are satisfied:

- (i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the applicable Extension Effective Date;
- (ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions, in the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents and the Holding Preference Share Documents and described herein immediately after such purchase and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations



and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency);

- (iii) (a) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to S&P (so long as any Notes are then rated by S&P) and (b) Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to Moody's (so long as any Notes are then rated by Moody's);
- (iv) the Issuer has not effected more than three prior Extensions; and
- (v) such extension is not effected for the primary purpose of decreasing losses or recognizing gains resulting from market value changes.

In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Noteholder, other than Holders of Extension Sale Securities, shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment. Holders of Preference Shares shall not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

The Extension Bonus Payment shall be payable to any applicable qualifying beneficial owners who have provided the Trustee with an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification on the first Payment Date from and including the Extension Effective Date on which funds are available for such purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments, but in any event, no later than the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption of the Notes. Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments on a Payment Date shall not be considered "due and payable" hereunder. The failure to pay any such Extension Bonus Payment on such date shall not be an Event of Default, unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Securities. Unpaid Extension Bonus Payments shall not accrue interest. Such amounts shall be paid, in the case of the Notes, to the accounts designated in the applicable Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification or, to the extent otherwise required by the rules of any applicable securities exchange or clearing agency, in a manner determined by the Issuer.

#### *Extension Procedure*

Not later than three Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Issuer of its election to extend the Replacement Period (the "**Extension Notice**"), the Trustee shall mail the Extension Notice to all Holders of Notes, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding), in the form set out in the Indenture, and shall request the Rating Confirmation for the Maturity Extension from each Rating Agency, if applicable.

Any Holder of Securities may deliver an irrevocable notice (an "**Extension Sale Notice**") to the Issuer and the Trustee within 30 days after the Trustee has mailed the Extension Notice (the "**Extension Sale Notice Period**") of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Securities or, with respect to Investors Corp., in its capacity as a Holder of the Class I Preference Shares, all or a portion of Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be, to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of Securities that has not delivered such an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be entitled to sell its Securities or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension.

If any Holder of Class II Preference Shares delivers an Extension Sale Notice notifying the Issuer and the Trustee of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Class II Preference Shares, (i) such Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to Investors Corp. and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares, (ii) Investors Corp. will issue additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such redesignated

Preference Shares purchased by it and (iii) the Extension Qualifying Purchaser will purchase such additional Holding Preference Shares in lieu of such redesignated Preference Shares.

On the applicable Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or its agent) shall confirm (i) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Extension Sale Securities in compliance with all transfer restrictions in the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents and the Holding Preference Share Documents and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (ii) whether the requirements of clause (iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date and (iii) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

On each Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension shall automatically become effective under the terms of the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents; *provided* that all Extension Conditions set forth above are satisfied (as certified to the Trustee by a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer). No later than two Business Days after each Extension Effective Date, the Trustee based on a determination made by the Issuer, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail a notice to all Holders of Notes, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer, the Placement Agents, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) and the ISE (if and for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed thereon) confirming whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension became effective, the Issuer shall make any required notifications thereof to the Depository for any Securities subject to the Maturity Extension.

None of the Placement Agents, the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

### **Optional Redemption**

*Notes.* The Holders of at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares may give written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Servicer directing an optional redemption of the Notes (with respect to the Notes, an “**Optional Redemption**”) upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period. Such notice must be given not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made. Upon receipt of the written notice directing an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Co-Issuers with respect to the Senior Notes and the Issuer with respect to the Class E Notes are required by the Indenture to redeem the Notes (in whole but not in part) from amounts available therefor in accordance with “—Redemption Procedures” described below. Any Optional Redemption of the Notes shall be made at the applicable Redemption Price. Upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Replacement Period will terminate in accordance with the definition of that term. The Issuer shall, at least 30 days before the Redemption Date (unless the Trustee shall agree to a shorter notice period), notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency of the Redemption Date, the applicable Record Date, the principal amount of Notes to be redeemed on the Redemption Date and the applicable Redemption Prices.

*Preference Shares.* On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, all administrative and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), and all amounts owing under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged:

- (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares

Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings; or

(ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such direction,

(with respect to the Preference Shares and each of clauses (i) and (ii) above, an “**Optional Redemption**”).

Upon a distribution pursuant to clause (i) above, the Servicer will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Servicing Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer (and subject to clause (ii) above), direct the sale of all remaining Collateral Obligations. Upon a distribution pursuant to clause (ii) above, the Servicer will effect the sale of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares.

Upon receipt of the written notice directing an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares, the Issuer is required by the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement to redeem the Preference Shares in the applicable manner described above. Any Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares shall be made at the applicable Redemption Price.

*Redemption Procedures.* The Trustee will give notice of a redemption by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days and not earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date, to (i) each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder’s address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as applicable, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and (ii) in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, to each Rating Agency. In addition, for so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the ISE and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of an Optional Redemption of Senior Notes shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

Notice of redemption having been given as provided above, the Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at the Redemption Price therein specified and from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Redemption Price and accrued interest) the Notes shall cease to bear interest on the Redemption Date.

Upon final payment on a Note to be so redeemed, the Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the place specified in the notice of redemption to receive the applicable Redemption Price unless the Holder provides an undertaking to surrender the Note thereafter.

The Notes may not be optionally redeemed unless either of the following conditions is satisfied:

(i) at least 10 Business Days before the Redemption Date, the Servicer shall have furnished to the Trustee evidence (in form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee) that the Issuer has entered into a binding agreements (with a financial or other institution or entity whose short-term unsecured debt obligations (other than obligations whose rating is based on the credit of a person other than the institution) have a credit rating of at least “A-1” from S&P and of “P-1” (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody’s (or to any other institution or entity if the Rating Condition with respect to Moody’s is satisfied with respect to the other entity) to sell to the financial or other institutions, not later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date in immediately available funds, all or part of the Collateral (directly or by participation or other arrangement) at a Purchase Price at least equal to an amount sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under

the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices; or

(ii) before entering into any binding agreement to sell all or a portion of the Collateral and selling or terminating any Hedge Agreement, the Servicer shall have certified that, in its commercially reasonable judgment, the settlement dates of the sales will be scheduled to occur on or before the Business Day before the Redemption Date and that the expected proceeds from the sales are to be delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date, in immediately available funds, in an amount (calculated as applicable in the manner provided below) sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices. For purposes of this paragraph, the amount shall be calculated with respect to the classes of Collateral listed in the table below by multiplying the expected proceeds of sale of the Collateral by the indicated percentage in the table below.

		Number of Business Days Between Certification to the Trustee and Sale			
		<u>Same Day</u>	<u>1 to 2</u>	<u>3 to 5</u>	<u>6 to 15</u>
1.	Cash or other Eligible Investments	100%	100%	100%	100%
2.	Loans (other than 5 below)	100%	93%	92%	88%
3.	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations (in each case, other than 4 below)	100%	89%	85%	75%
4.	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations, in each case with a Moody's Rating of "B3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "B3"	100%	75%	65%	55%
5.	Synthetic Securities	100%	65%	55%	35%

Any certification delivered by the Servicer shall include (A) the prices of, and expected proceeds from, the sale of any Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments or Hedge Agreements and (B) all calculations required by the Indenture.

Any notice of redemption may be withdrawn by the Issuer up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares), the Trustee and the Servicer only if:

(i) in the case of an Optional Redemption of Notes, the Servicer does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications required under the Indenture, as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee;

(ii) in the case of an Optional Redemption in whole of either the Notes or the Preference Shares as described above in "—Optional Redemption—Notes" and clause (i) of the first paragraph under "—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares," the Issuer receives the written direction of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption delivered by the percentage of the Preference Shares requesting redemption under "—Optional Redemption—

Notes” or clause (i) of the first paragraph under “—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares,” as applicable; or

(iii) in the case of an Optional Redemption of Preference Shares as described in clause (ii) of the first paragraph under “Optional Redemption—Preference Shares,” the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer hereby agrees for the benefit of the directing Holders to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (ii) or this clause (iii)).

Notice of any withdrawal shall be sent, not later than the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date (assuming that the Trustee has received timely written notice from the Issuer as provided above), by the Trustee, to each Holder of Notes scheduled to be redeemed at the Holder’s address in the Indenture Register by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery (or, to the extent the address contained in the Indenture Register is not sufficient for that purpose, by first-class mail), the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares). If the Issuer so withdraws any notice of redemption or is otherwise unable to complete any redemption of the Notes, the Sale Proceeds received from the sale of any Collateral Obligations sold in accordance with the Indenture may, during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period) at the Servicer’s discretion, be used to purchase replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria.

Notice of redemption shall be given by the Co-Issuers or, upon an Issuer Order, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Co-Issuers. Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Note selected for redemption, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Securities.

**Special Redemption of Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture**

Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in whole or in part, at par, in accordance with the Priority of Payments if, at any time during the Replacement Period, the Servicer elects (subject to the Servicing Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional or replacement Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the application of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations.

On the Special Redemption Date, the Special Redemption Amount will be available to be applied in accordance with “—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds” to the extent of available Principal Proceeds. Notice of payment of the Special Redemption Amount shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than three Business Days before the applicable Special Redemption Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder’s address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository. In addition, for so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the ISE and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of a Special Redemption of the Senior Notes shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

In connection with a Special Redemption, the principal of the Notes will be paid from Principal Proceeds in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount (first to any Class A Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class B Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class C Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class D Notes to be redeemed and then to any Class E Notes to be redeemed, in each case until paid in full) in accordance with the Priority of Payments. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

## **Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

### *General*

In the event of a Rating Confirmation Failure or a failure to meet any Coverage Test on any Determination Date, a mandatory redemption of one or more Classes of Notes in whole or in part will be required. Any mandatory redemption could result in an elimination, deferral or reduction in interest or principal payments to one or more Classes of Securities, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of the Class or Classes of Securities. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Interests for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests” and “—The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure.”

### *Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests*

Except with respect to payments made pursuant to an Optional Redemption or a redemption made in connection with a Tax Event as described under “—Optional Redemption,” on any Payment Date with respect to which any Coverage Test (as described under “Security for the Notes—The Coverage Tests”) is not met on any Determination Date, principal payments on the Notes will be made as described under “—Priority of Payments.”

### *Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure*

Upon the event of a Rating Confirmation Failure, all Interest Proceeds remaining after payment of amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (14) of “—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” will be used to pay principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes sequentially in order of their priority on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date thereafter until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. If necessary, after the foregoing payments are made out of Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds in accordance with clause (6) “—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds” will be used to pay principal of each Class of the Notes sequentially in order of their priority on each Payment Date until the Initial Ratings are confirmed.

Upon receipt of notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes, at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody’s and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes, then at the direction and in accordance with the instructions of the Servicer the Trustee shall sell Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for the purpose in the Collection Account will be used to redeem the Notes (but only to the extent necessary for each of Moody’s and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes) and to pay all administrative and other fees, expenses and obligations payable under the Priority of Payments. Any sale under these provisions shall be conducted in such a manner that:

- (i) after giving effect to the sale each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied or, if any Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Overcollateralization Test is not reduced;
- (ii) if the sale occurs on or after the second Payment Date, after giving effect to the sale each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied or, if any Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Interest Coverage Test is not reduced; and
- (iii) after giving effect to the sale each Collateral Quality Test is satisfied or, if any Collateral Quality Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Collateral Quality Test is not reduced.

## **Redemption of the Preference Shares in Connection with Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

The Preference Shares will be redeemed in whole in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents on any Payment Date on which a mandatory redemption of the Notes described under “—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes” results in the payment in full of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes.

### **Priority of Payments**

Collections received on the Collateral during the related Due Period will be segregated into Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds and applied on each Payment Date in the priority below under “—Interest Proceeds” and “—Principal Proceeds,” respectively (collectively, the “**Priority of Payments**”).

#### *Interest Proceeds*

On each Payment Date, Interest Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period (other than Interest Proceeds previously used during such Due Period to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations or otherwise used as permitted under the Indenture) will be distributed in the following order of priority:

- (1) to the payment of any taxes and registration and filing fees owed by the Co-Issuers (without limit) and then to the payment of Administrative Expenses up to the Administrative Expense Cap as follows:

FIRST, in the following order of priority:

- (i) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Trustee; and then
- (ii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Collateral Administrator; and then
- (iii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Preference Shares Paying Agent;  
and

SECOND, in the following order of priority;

- (x) fees and expenses of the Administrator; and then;
  - (y) fees and expenses of the Co-Issuers (including fees and expenses of counsel and surveillance, credit estimate, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies) and any other person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for in the Indenture, and to the expenses (but not fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;
- (2) the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts paid pursuant to clause (1) above to deposit into the Expense Reimbursement Account;
  - (3) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with “Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account” an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee then due and payable and SECOND, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause;

- (4) to the payment of all amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements (if any) other than any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;
- (5) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A Notes;
- (6) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class B Notes;
- (7) if the Class A/B Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the Note Payment Sequence in the amount necessary so that all of the Class A/B Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (7) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);
- (8) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class C Notes (excluding Class C Deferred Interest, but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class C Deferred Interest);
- (9) if the Class C Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class C Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (9) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);
- (10) to the payment of Class C Deferred Interest;
- (11) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class D Notes (excluding Class D Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class D Deferred Interest);
- (12) if the Class D Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class D Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (12) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);
- (13) to the payment of Class D Deferred Interest;
- (14) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class E Notes (excluding Class E Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class E Deferred Interest);
- (15) if the Class E Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class E Notes in the amount necessary so that all of the Class



E Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full, or if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that a Rating Confirmation is obtained, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (15) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);

- (16) to the payment of Class E Deferred Interest;
- (17) to deposit in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds amounts representing Principal Proceeds previously used to pay amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (6), (8), (10), (11), (13), (14) and (16) above and not previously restored to the Collection Account or, if not restored to the Collection Account, used to purchase Collateral Obligations;
- (18) during the Replacement Period, if the Retention Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, for deposit to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds the lesser of (i) 50% of the remaining Interest Proceeds available after the payments pursuant to clause (17) above and (ii) the amount necessary to cause the Retention Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as of such Determination Date;
- (19) to the payment of any remaining Administrative Expenses not paid under clause (1) above in the respective priorities specified in clause (1);
- (20) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with “Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account” an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee then due and payable and SECOND, to the payment (*pro rata* according to the amounts payable under clauses (x) and (y) below) to: (x) the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and (y) *pro rata* to each Holder of Securities entitled thereto, the applicable Extension Bonus Payment as described under “—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date;”
- (21) to the payment of any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;
- (22) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0%;
- (23) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with “Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account” of an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) the Supplemental Servicing Fee, if applicable and SECOND, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Supplemental Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and

- (24) any remaining Interest Proceeds, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares;

*provided* that, in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds referred to under clauses (22) and (24) above, in whole or in part on any Payment Date, the Servicer, on behalf the Issuer, will have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be due and payable on such Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to any such Payment Date will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be increased accordingly.

#### *Principal Proceeds*

On each Payment Date, Principal Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period other than:

- (A) Principal Proceeds previously used to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or otherwise used as permitted under the Indenture;
- (B) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account or the Securities Lending Account; and
- (C) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed Purchase Prices for Collateral Obligations with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment before the end of the Due Period for their purchase, but has not settled the purchase by the end of the Due Period;

shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

- (1) (x) FIRST, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (6) under “—Interest Proceeds” above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (y) SECOND, to the payment of amounts referred to in clause (7) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class A/B Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (1), or until such amounts are paid in full;
- (2) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (8) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (3) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (9) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class C Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (3), or until such amounts are paid in full;

- (4) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (10) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (5) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (11) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (6) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (12) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class D Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (6), or until such amounts are paid in full;
- (7) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (13) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (8) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (14) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (9) to the payment of principal of the Notes in the Note Payment Sequence in an amount necessary to (A) cause the Class E Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (9), or until paid in full or (B) if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, obtain a Rating Confirmation, or until paid in full;
- (10) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (16) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (11)
  - (A) if the Payment Date is a Redemption Date in the following order of priority: (i) to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of the Redemption Prices of all of the Notes to be redeemed, (ii) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (19) through (23) under “—Interest Proceeds” above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (iii) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares of the Redemption Price of any Preference Shares to be redeemed; and
  - (B) if the Payment Date is a Special Redemption Date, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of the Notes in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount, in each case until paid in full;
- (12) during the Replacement Period, all remaining Principal Proceeds to the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture (and, until so applied (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer’s purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), to be deposited in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds);
- (13) after the Replacement Period, (i) FIRST, at the discretion of the Servicer (with respect to Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations) to the purchase or funding of additional or replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the applicable provisions of the Indenture when appropriate Collateral Obligations are

available, and until such time, to the Collection Account for the purchase of Eligible Investments; and (ii) SECOND, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of Notes until paid in full;

- (14) to the extent not previously paid in full under clause (11) above, after the Replacement Period, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (19) through (23) under “—Interest Proceeds” above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; and
- (15) after the Replacement Period to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

The calculation on any Coverage Test on any Determination Date shall be made by giving effect to all payments to be made pursuant to all subclauses of the Priority of Payments as applicable, payable on the Payment Date following such Determination Date. In addition, no Principal Proceeds will be used to pay a subordinated Class on a Payment Date if, after giving effect to such payment, any Coverage Test of a more senior Class of Notes is failing on such Payment Date or would fail as a result of such application of the Principal Proceeds on such Payment Date.

If on any Payment Date the amount available in the Payment Account is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by the Valuation Report, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for in the order and according to the priority under “—Interest Proceeds” and “—Principal Proceeds,” to the extent funds are available therefor.

The Trustee shall remit funds to pay Administrative Expenses of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in accordance with the Priority of Payments under “—Interest Proceeds” and “—Principal Proceeds” above, to the extent available, to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer as directed and designated in an Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions) delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before each Payment Date.

### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Senior Notes**

The Senior Notes sold in Offshore Transactions may only be sold to non-U.S. Persons in reliance on Regulation S. Except as provided below, the Senior Notes sold in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Notes. The Regulation S Global Notes will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear and Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream. Investors may hold their interests in a Regulation S Global Note directly through Euroclear or Clearstream, if they are participants in such systems, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in such systems. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may not be held by a U.S. Person at any time. By acquisition of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note, the purchaser thereof will be deemed to represent that it is not a U.S. Person and that, if in the future it determines to transfer such beneficial interest, it will transfer such interest only to a person whom the seller reasonably believes to be a non-U.S. Person or to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note.

The Senior Notes initially sold in non-Offshore Transactions or to U.S. Persons in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Section 4(2) may only be sold to (i) Accredited Investors and (ii) (A) a Qualified Purchaser or (B) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and, except as provided below, will be represented by one or more permanent Rule 144A Global Notes. Investors may hold their interests in the Rule 144A Global Notes directly through the Depository if they are the Depository participants, or indirectly through organizations that are the Depository participants. The Rule 144A Global Notes will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for the Depository, and registered in the name of a nominee of the Depository.

Beneficial interests in Senior Notes represented by Global Notes will be subject to certain restrictions on transfer set forth therein and in the Indenture and such Global Notes will bear the applicable legends regarding the restrictions set forth under "Transfer Restrictions." A beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from (A) the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that the transfer is being made to a person whom the transferor reasonably believes is a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is also (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction and (B) the transferee (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser. Beneficial interests in the Rule 144A Global Notes may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from (A) the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that the transfer is being made to a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction in accordance with Regulation S and (B) the transferee (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is a non-U.S. Person.

Any beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note that is transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will, upon transfer, cease to be an interest in such Regulation S Global Note and become an interest in the Rule 144A Global Note and, accordingly, will thereafter be subject to all transfer restrictions and other procedures applicable to beneficial interests in a Rule 144A Global Note for as long as it remains such an interest. Any beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note that is transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note will, upon transfer, cease to be an interest in the Rule 144A Global Note and become an interest in the Regulation S Global Note and, accordingly, will thereafter be subject to all transfer restrictions and other procedures applicable to beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note for as long as it remains such an interest. No service charge will be made for any registration of transfer or exchange of Senior Notes, but the Issuer or Co-Issuers, as the case may be, or the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

Except in the limited circumstances described in this paragraph, owners of beneficial interests in Senior Notes held in the form of Global Notes will not be entitled to receive delivery of certificated Senior Notes. The Senior Notes are not issuable in bearer form. A Global Note deposited with the Depository pursuant to the Indenture shall be transferred to the beneficial owners thereof only if such transfer complies with the Indenture and either (i) the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for a Global Note or ceases to be a "Clearing Agency" registered under the Exchange Act and a successor depository is not appointed by the Issuer within 90 days of such notice or (ii) as a result of any amendment to or change in, the laws or regulations of the Cayman Islands or of any authority therein or thereof having power to tax or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations which become effective on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer or the Paying Agent becomes aware that it is or will be required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Senior Notes which would not be required if the Senior Notes were in definitive form. In addition, the owner of a beneficial interest in a Global Note will be entitled to receive a certificated Note in exchange for such interest if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing. In the event that certificated Senior Notes are not so issued by the Issuer to such beneficial owners of interests in Global Notes, the Issuer expressly acknowledges that such beneficial owners shall be entitled to pursue any remedy that the Holders of a Global Note would be entitled to pursue in accordance with the Indenture (but only to the extent of such beneficial owner's interest in the Global Note) as if certificated Senior Notes had been issued. Payments on such certificated Senior Notes will be made by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a Dollar-denominated account maintained by the owner or, if a wire transfer cannot be effected, by a Dollar check delivered to the owner. See "Settlement and Clearing."

The Senior Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof for each Class of Senior Notes.

### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Class E Notes**

The Class E Notes will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Class E Notes in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the “**Certificated Class E Notes**”).

The Class E Notes may only be sold to persons who are Qualified Institutional Buyers who are also (A) Qualified Purchasers or (B) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers.

The Class E Notes may be transferred only upon (*inter alia*) receipt by the Trustee of a written certification (in the form provided in the Indenture) from the transferee to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is also (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, and such transfer is being made in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction. Each initial Holder as well as each transferee of the Class E Notes is also required to provide certain tax forms and other tax-related certifications. See “Transfer Restrictions.”

The Class E Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof.

### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Preference Shares**

The Preference Shares will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Preference Shares in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the “**Certificated Preference Shares**”).

Preference Shares may only be sold to persons who are Qualified Institutional Buyers who are also (A) Qualified Purchasers or (B) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers.

Preference Shares may be transferred only upon (*inter alia*) receipt by the Preference Shares Paying Agent of a written certification (in the form provided in the Preference Share Documents) from the transferee to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is also (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, and such transfer is being made in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction. Each initial Holder as well as each transferee of the Preference Shares is also required to provide certain tax forms and other tax-related certifications. See “Transfer Restrictions.”

Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited has been appointed and will serve as the registrar with respect to the Preference Shares (the “**Share Registrar**”) and will provide for (*inter alia*) the registration of the Preference Shares and the registration of transfers of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Preference Share Documents and the Administration Agreement in the register maintained by it. The Preference Shares will be issued in minimum numbers of 100 Preference Shares per investor and integral multiples of one Preference Share in excess thereof.

### **The Indenture**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Indenture. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Indenture.

#### *Events of Default*

“**Event of Default**” is defined in the Indenture as:

- (a) a default for four Business Days in the payment of any interest on any Class of Notes that is currently part of the Controlling Class when it becomes payable (or in the case of a

default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, the Irish Listing and Paying Agent or the Indenture Registrar, after seven Business Days);

(b) a default in the payment of principal (including Deferred Interest) of any Note when the same becomes payable, at its Stated Maturity or on the Redemption Date;

(c) the failure on any Payment Date to disburse amounts available in the Payment Account in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the failure continues for three Business Days;

(d) on any Measurement Date for so long as any Class A Notes are Outstanding, the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Pledged Obligations is less than 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes;

(e) either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral becomes an investment company under the Investment Company Act;

(f) breach of any other covenant or other agreement of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Indenture (other than any failure to satisfy any of the Collateral Quality Tests, any of the Concentration Limitations, any of the Coverage Tests, the Retention Overcollateralization Test, or other covenants or agreements for which a specific remedy has been provided under the Indenture) in any material respect, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer made in the Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant thereto, or in connection therewith, to be correct in any material respect when made, and the breach or failure continues for 30 days after either of the Co-Issuers has actual knowledge of it or after notice to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Servicer by the Trustee or to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class by registered or certified mail or overnight courier specifying the breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that the notice is a "Notice of Default" under the Indenture;

(g) the entry of a decree or order by a court having competent jurisdiction adjudging the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, or composition of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, and if the decree or order remains unstayed and in effect for 45 consecutive days;

(h) the institution by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of Proceedings to have the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as the case may be, adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings against the Issuer or Co-Issuer, or the filing by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Bankruptcy Law or any other similar applicable law, or the consent by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or the taking of any action by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in furtherance of any such action; or

(i) one or more final judgments is rendered against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer that exceed in the aggregate U.S.\$2,000,000 (or any lesser amount specified by any Rating Agency) and that remain unstayed, undischarged, and unsatisfied for 30 days after the judgments become nonappealable, unless adequate funds have been reserved or set aside for their payment, and

unless (except as otherwise specified in writing by Moody's) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereon.

Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Trustee must give prompt (and in no event later than five Business Days after becoming aware of such event) notice thereof to the Noteholders.

If an Event of Default is continuing (other than an Event of Default described in clauses (e), (g) or (h) under “—Events of Default” above), the Trustee may, with consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class, and must, upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, declare the principal of all the Notes to be immediately payable by notice to the Co-Issuers and the Noteholders, and upon that declaration the unpaid principal of all the Notes, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), and other amounts payable under the Indenture, shall become immediately payable. The Replacement Period shall terminate upon a declaration of acceleration (subject to re-commencement as described below). If an Event of Default described in clauses (e), (g) or (h) above under “—Events of Default” occurs, all unpaid principal, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), of all the Notes, and other amounts payable under the Indenture, shall automatically become payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any Noteholder and the Replacement Period shall terminate automatically (subject to re-commencement as described below).

At any time after the declaration of acceleration of maturity has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, may rescind the declaration and its consequences if:

- (i) the Issuer or the Co-Issuer has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:
  - (A) all unpaid installments of interest and principal on the Notes then due (other than as a result of the acceleration);
  - (B) to the extent that payment of the interest is lawful, interest on any Deferred Interest and Defaulted Interest at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable;
  - (C) all Administrative Expenses of the Co-Issuers and other sums paid or advanced by the Trustee under the Indenture;
  - (D) all unpaid Senior Servicing Fees; and
  - (E) all amounts then payable to any Hedge Counterparty; and
- (ii) the Trustee has determined that all Events of Default, other than the nonpayment of the interest on or principal of the Notes, that have become due solely by the acceleration, have been (A) cured, and a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Trustee has agreed with that determination, or (B) waived as provided in the Indenture.

No rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right resulting from the Default. The Issuer shall not terminate any Hedge Agreement at any time after a declaration of acceleration of Maturity of the Notes has been made, unless such declaration and its consequences may no longer be rescinded and annulled in accordance with the Indenture and liquidation of the Collateral has begun.

If an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee will retain the Collateral, collect, and cause the collection of the proceeds of the Collateral and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Collateral and the Notes and any Hedge Agreements (other than amounts received under a Hedge Agreement that are used in putting a replacement hedge in place) in the manner described under “—Priority of Payments” and the Indenture unless either:



(i) the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, determines (bid prices having been obtained with respect to each security contained in the Collateral from two nationally recognized dealers (or if there is only one dealer, that dealer and if there is no dealer, from a pricing service), selected and specified by the Servicer to the Trustee in writing, at the time making a market in those securities, and having computed the anticipated proceeds of sale or liquidation on the basis of the lower of the bid prices for each security) that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would (after deduction of the reasonable expenses of the sale or liquidation) be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and the Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) under “—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds,” and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination; or

(ii) the Holders of a Super Majority of each of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral.

During the continuance of an Event of Default, a Majority of the Controlling Class may institute and direct the Trustee in the conduct of any proceedings for any remedy available to the Trustee or for the exercise of any right of the Trustee under the Indenture if the direction does not conflict with any rule of law or with any express provision of the Indenture and the Trustee has been indemnified to its reasonable satisfaction. Any direction to the Trustee to undertake a sale of the Collateral shall be by the Holders of Notes representing the requisite percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes specified in the Indenture. The Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability unless it has received an indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it against the liability.

A Majority of the Controlling Class may on behalf of the Holders of all the Notes, before the time a judgment or decree for the payment of money due has been obtained by the Trustee, waive any past Event of Default or event that, with notice or the lapse of time or both, would become an Event of Default and its consequences, except such a default:

- (i) in the payment of principal or Redemption Price of any Note or in the payment of interest (including Defaulted Interest, Deferred Interest, and any interest on Defaulted Interest or Deferred Interest) on the Notes;
- (ii) with respect to a provision of the Indenture that cannot be modified or amended without the waiver or consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected by the modification or amendment;
- (iii) in the payment of amounts due to the Servicer, the Trustee, or the Hedge Counterparty, which may only be waived with the consent of the affected party; or
- (iv) arising as a result of an Event of Default described in clause (e), (g) or (h) under “—Events of Default.”

No Holder of any Note may institute any proceeding with respect to the Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy under the Indenture, unless:

- (i) the Holder has previously given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default;
- (ii) the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute Proceedings with respect to the Event of Default in its own name as Trustee under the Indenture and

the Holders have offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with the request;

- (iii) the Trustee for 30 days after its receipt of the notice, request, and offer of indemnity has failed to institute a Proceeding; and
- (iv) no direction inconsistent with the written request has been given to the Trustee during the 30 day period by a Majority of the Controlling Class.

If the Trustee receives conflicting or inconsistent requests and indemnity from two or more groups of Holders of the Controlling Class, each representing less than a Majority of the Controlling Class, the Trustee shall take the action requested by the Holders of the largest percentage in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, notwithstanding any other provisions of the Indenture but subject to such Holders having offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the costs and liabilities that might reasonably be incurred by it in compliance with the request as provided in the Indenture.

### **Supplemental Indentures**

#### *Without Consent of Holders*

Without the consent of the Holders of any Securities, but with the consent of the parties the consent of which is required as described in the following paragraph, the Co-Issuers, in each instance when authorized by resolutions of the respective Boards of Directors, and the Trustee, at any time and from time to time subject to the requirement provided below with respect to receipt of a Rating Confirmation, may, if, with respect to any matters described in clauses (1) through (22) below, the interests of the Holders of the Securities are not materially and adversely affected thereby (the Co-Issuers and the Trustee will be bound by a standard of good faith and fair dealing in making such determination) enter into one or more indentures supplemental to the Indenture, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, for any of the following purposes:

- (1) to evidence the succession of another person to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and the assumption by the successor person of the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Indenture and in the Securities;
- (2) to add to the covenants of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders or to surrender any right in the Indenture conferred on the Co-Issuers;
- (3) to convey, transfer, assign, mortgage, or pledge any property to the Trustee, or add to the conditions, limitations or restrictions on the authorized amount, terms and purposes of the issue, authentication and delivery of the Notes;
- (4) to evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment under the Indenture by a successor Trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of the Indenture necessary to facilitate the administration of the trusts under the Indenture by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of the Indenture;
- (5) to correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of the Indenture, or to better assure, convey, and confirm to the Trustee any property subject or required to be subject to the lien of the Indenture (including all actions appropriate as a result of changes in law) or to subject to the lien of the Indenture any additional property;
- (6) to conform any provision in the Indenture to the related provision in this Offering Memorandum that is intended to be a verbatim recitation of such provision;

- (7) to modify the restrictions on and procedures for resales and other transfers of the Notes to reflect any changes in applicable law (or its interpretation) or to enable the Co-Issuers to rely on any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities Act or the Investment Company Act or to remove restrictions on resale and transfer to the extent not required under the Indenture;
- (8) with the consent of the Servicer, to modify the restrictions on the sales of Collateral Obligations described in “Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations” or the Eligibility Criteria described in “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria” (and the related definitions);
- (9) to make appropriate changes for any Class of Senior Notes to be listed on an exchange other than the ISE;
- (10) otherwise to correct any inconsistency or cure any ambiguity or errors in the Indenture;
- (11) to accommodate the issuance of the Senior Notes in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC or otherwise;
- (12) to take any appropriate action to prevent the Issuer, the Holders of Securities or the Trustee from becoming subject to withholding or other taxes, fees, or assessments or to prevent the Issuer from being treated as being engaged in a U.S. trade or business or otherwise being subject to U.S. federal, state or local income tax on a net income basis, so long as the action will not cause the Holders of any Securities to be adversely affected to any material extent by any change to the timing, character, or source of the income from the Securities, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion);
- (13) to authorize the appointment of any listing agent, transfer agent, paying agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes appropriate in connection with the listing of any Class of Senior Notes on the ISE or any other stock exchange, and otherwise to amend the Indenture to incorporate any changes required or requested by any governmental authority, stock exchange authority, listing agent, transfer agent, paying agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes in connection with its appointment, so long as the supplemental indenture would not materially and adversely affect any Noteholders, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Notes;
- (14) to amend, modify, enter into or accommodate the execution of any contract relating to a Synthetic Security (including posting collateral under a Synthetic Security Agreement);
- (15) to modify certain representations as to Collateral in the Indenture in order that it may be consistent with applicable laws or Rating Agency requirements;
- (16) to evidence any waiver by any Rating Agency as to any requirement or condition, as applicable, of the Rating Agency in the Indenture;
- (17) to facilitate the issuance of participation notes, combination notes, composite securities and other similar securities;
- (18) to facilitate hedging transactions;

- (19) to facilitate the ability of the Issuer to lend collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement;
- (20) to modify any provision to facilitate an exchange of one security for another security of the same issuers that has substantially identical terms except transfer restrictions, including to effect any serial designation relating to the exchange;
- (21) with the consent of the Servicer, to enter into any additional agreements not expressly prohibited by the Indenture as well as any amendment, modification, or waiver if the Issuer determines that the amendment, modification, or waiver would not, upon or after becoming effective, materially and adversely affect the rights or interest of the Holders of any Class of Securities, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Servicer, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities;
- (22) to provide for the issuance of additional Preference Shares to the extent permitted by the Preference Share Documents and to extend to such additional Preference Shares the benefits applicable to the Preference Shares under the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents; or
- (23) to prevent the Issuer from becoming an “investment company” as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); *provided* that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer shall have received (A) a Rating Confirmation with respect to such supplemental indenture and (B) a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such supplemental indenture, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

Without the consent of the Servicer, no supplemental indenture may be entered into that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to the Servicer under the Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer. The Trustee is authorized to join in the execution of any such supplemental indenture and to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations that may be in the agreements, but the Trustee should not be obligated to enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee’s own rights, duties, liabilities or immunities under the Indenture or otherwise, except to the extent required by law. Unless notified by a Majority of any Class of Securities that the Class of Securities would be materially and adversely affected, the Trustee may rely on a certificate of the Servicer and an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) as to whether the interests of any Holder of Securities would be materially and adversely affected by any such supplemental indenture.

If any Outstanding Notes are rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee will enter into a supplemental indenture without the consent of Holders only if either (1) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the supplemental indenture or (2) the Servicer and the Holders of 100% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes the ratings on which would be reduced or withdrawn consent to the supplemental indenture. Prior to the entry into any supplemental Indenture with respect to which a Rating Confirmation for one or more Classes of Notes is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Note informing them of such fact.

At the cost of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee will mail to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares), each Rating Agency (for so long as any Notes are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency) and each Hedge Counterparty a copy of any such proposed supplemental indenture at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee (or 60 calendar days before execution in the case of a supplemental indenture for the purpose described in clause (8) above, which shall be identified as such in a certificate of the Servicer delivered to the Trustee before the date on which such notice is required to be given).

*With Consent of Holders*

If the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency, with the consent of (a) the Servicer if the supplemental indenture would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under the Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer, (b) a Majority of each Class of Notes adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of each such Class of Notes and (c) a Majority of the Preference Shares adversely affected thereby, the Trustee and the Co-Issuers may enter into a supplemental indenture to add any provisions to, or change in any manner or eliminate any of the provisions of, the Indenture or modify in any manner the rights of the Holders of the Notes under the Indenture.

Any proposed supplemental indenture that would also necessitate a change to the Issuer Charter (or the memorandum and articles of association of Investors Corp.) may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined therein) has been passed to permit the Issuer's (or Investors Corp.'s) constitutional documents to be altered to conform with such proposed change to the Indenture as certified to the Trustee by the Issuer.

Notwithstanding anything in the Indenture to the contrary, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected thereby and the Holder of each Outstanding Preference Share adversely affected thereby, no supplemental indenture shall:

(i) change the Stated Maturity of the principal of or the due date of any installment of interest on any Note or of any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, reduce the principal amount or the rate of interest on any Note, or the Default Interest Rate or the Redemption Price with respect to any Note or Preference Share, or change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Share may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer, change the provisions of the Indenture relating to the application of proceeds of any Collateral to the payment of principal of or interest on Notes or to payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, or change any place where, or the coin or currency in which, Notes or their principal or interest are paid or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after their Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the applicable Redemption Date);

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class or Holders of Preference Shares whose consent is required for the authorization of any such supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of the Indenture or certain defaults under the Indenture or their consequences provided for in the Indenture;

(iii) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on a parity with the lien of the Indenture with respect to any part of the Collateral or terminate the lien on any property at any time subject hereto or deprive the Holder of any Note of the security afforded by the lien of the Indenture;

(iv) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class whose consent is required to request the Trustee to retain the Collateral pursuant to the Indenture or to sell or liquidate the Collateral pursuant to the Indenture;

(v) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture with respect to supplemental indentures or to provide that certain other provisions of the Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note and Preference Share affected thereby;

(vi) modify the definition of "Outstanding," "Controlling Class," or "Majority," or the Priority of Payments in the Indenture; or

(vii) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of Redemption Price or of interest or principal on any Note or any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the payment of dividends or other payments on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date or to affect the rights of the Holders of Notes or Preference Shares to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of the Notes or the Preference Shares contained in the Indenture.

Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the above provision, the Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, will mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) a copy of such proposed supplemental indenture and will request any required consent from the applicable Holders of Securities to be given within the Initial Consent Period. Any consent given to a proposed supplemental indenture by the Holder of any Securities will be irrevocable and binding on all future Holders or beneficial owners of that Security, irrespective of the execution date of the supplemental indenture. If the Holders of less than the required percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the relevant Securities consent to a proposed supplemental indenture within the Initial Consent Period, on the first Business Day after the Initial Consent Period, the Trustee will notify the Issuer and the Servicer which Holders of Securities have consented to the proposed supplemental indenture and, which Holders (and, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the Trustee, which beneficial owners) have not consented to the proposed supplemental indenture. If it intends to exercise its Amendment Buy-Out Option, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must so notify the Trustee (which notice will designate a date for the Amendment Buy-Out to occur no earlier than 10 Business Days after the date of such notice) no later than five Business Days after the Servicer is so notified by the Trustee and the Trustee will promptly mail such notice to all Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares). Any Non-Consenting Holder may give consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture until the 5<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the date of the Amendment Buy-Out designated by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and in such case will cease to be a Non-Consenting Holder for purposes of the Amendment Buy-Out. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser exercises its Amendment Buy-Out Option and purchases the applicable Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, as Holder or beneficial owner of the applicable Securities, may consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture within five Business Days of the Amendment Buy-Out.

It is not necessary for any Act of Noteholders under the above provision to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if the Act or consent approves its substance.

The Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, will mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency a copy of any supplemental indenture promptly after its execution by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee.

### **Additional Issuance of Preference Shares**

The Preference Share Documents will provide that, at any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the proceeds from such issuance and sale to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or as otherwise permitted under the Preference Share Documents and the Indenture; *provided* that the following conditions are met: (a) the terms of the Preference Shares issued must be identical to the terms of previously issued Preference Shares and (b) the net proceeds of any additional Preference Shares are used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations. Such additional Preference Shares may be offered and sold at prices that differ from the initial offering prices of the outstanding Preference Shares; *provided* that the initial offering prices of additional Preference Shares shall not be below 100% of the face amount thereof. The Issuer must cause purchases of additional Preference Shares made pursuant to an additional issuance of Preference Shares to comply individually and in the aggregate with the applicable purchase and transfer restrictions for the Preference Shares set forth herein in "Transfer Restrictions" and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

Any additional Preference Shares issued will, to the extent reasonably practicable, be offered by the Issuer first to the existing Holders of the Preference Shares, in such amounts as are necessary to preserve their *pro rata* holdings of the Preference Shares. By its acceptance of the Preference Shares, each Holder of a Preference Share agrees that additional Preference Shares can be issued in accordance with the Preference Share Documents and the Indenture without consent of any Holder of the Securities.

It is expected that Investors Corp. will finance the purchase of any additional Class I Preference Shares issued by the Issuer by issuing additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such additional Class I Preference Shares purchased by it.

The Indenture does not permit the issuance of additional Class A Notes, Class B Notes, Class C Notes, Class D Notes or Class E Notes or other obligations with terms similar to those of such Classes of Notes.

### **Amendment Buy-Out**

In the case of any supplemental indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Securities held by such Holders of the Class of Securities whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture or, with respect to any Class I Preference Shares held by Investors Corp. if the consent of the Holders of Holding Preference Shares has been solicited, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holders all Holding Preference Shares held by such Holders (the "**Amendment Buy-Out Option**"), in each case, for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; *provided, however*, that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser may not exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option during the Non-Call Period in connection with a proposed amendment to reduce the rate of interest on any Securities or to change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Shares may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all such Securities of Non-Consenting Holders and all such Holding Preference Shares of the Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holders, as the case may be, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an "**Amendment Buy-Out**"); *provided* that if any Non-Consenting Holder holds Class II Preference Shares, (i) such Non-Consenting Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to Investors Corp. and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares, (ii) Investors Corp. will issue additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such redesignated Preference Shares purchased by it and (iii) the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser will purchase such additional Holding Preference Shares in lieu of such redesignated Preference Shares. By its acceptance of its Securities under the Indenture or the Preference Share

Documents, as applicable, each Holder of Securities agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder and any Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder will be required to sell its applicable Transaction Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser. Neither the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser nor any other Person shall have any liability to any Holder or beneficial owner of Transaction Securities as a result of an election by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser not to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option.

All purchases made pursuant to an Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Transaction Securities set forth herein in “Transfer Restrictions” or in the Investors Corp. Offering Memorandum, as applicable, and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

In addition, one or more Holders may enter into an agreement with the Issuer and/or the Servicer that such Holder will have the right to receive a greater purchase price than the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price set forth in the Indenture. See “Risk Factors—An Amendment Buy-Out May Result in a Shorter Holding Period Than Expected.”

## **Notices**

Notices to the Holders of the Securities will be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the registered Holders of the Notes at their respective addresses appearing in the Indenture Register, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares). If and for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the ISE and the rules of the exchange so require, notice will also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

Any Holder or beneficial owner of any Class A Note may elect to acquire bond insurance, a surety bond, a credit default swap or similar credit enhancement supporting the payment of principal and/or interest on such Class A Note on terms and conditions acceptable to such Holder or beneficial owner and at the sole expense of such Holder or beneficial owner. On or after any such acquisition, such Holder or beneficial owner may deliver notice (and if from a beneficial owner, any such notice shall include certification that such owner is a beneficial owner of the Class A Notes) to the Trustee in substantially the form set out in the Indenture, specifying the name and contact information of the insurer, surety, credit protection seller or enhancer of such Class A Note (each, an “**Insurer**”). After receipt of any such notice by the Trustee, the Trustee shall copy the related Insurer on all notices, reports or other documents delivered to the Noteholders.

## **Certain Covenants**

The Indenture contains certain covenants restricting the conduct of the Co-Issuers, including (i) restrictions on consolidations, mergers and transfers or conveyances of assets involving either Co-Issuer, (ii) restrictions on incurrence of debt other than the Notes and certain obligations incidental to the performance by each Co-Issuer of its obligations under the Indenture, (iii) restrictions on the ability of either Co-Issuer to conduct activities inconsistent with its special-purpose nature and (iv) certain restrictions on amendments of the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Servicing Agreement.

## **Certain Additional Issues Relating to Listing of Senior Notes**

Application will be made to admit each Class of Senior Notes to the Daily Official List of the ISE. There can be no assurance that any such admission will be granted or maintained.

The Indenture provides that, so long as any Senior Notes remain Outstanding, the Co-Issuers shall use all reasonable efforts to obtain and maintain the listing of the Senior Notes on the ISE.



### **Cancellation**

All Securities that are paid in full or redeemed and surrendered for cancellation will forthwith be canceled and may not be reissued or resold.

### **No Gross-Up**

All payments made by the Issuer under the Securities will be made without any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax unless the deduction or withholding is required by any applicable law, as modified by the practice of any relevant governmental revenue authority, then in effect. If the Issuer is so required to deduct or withhold, then the Issuer will not be obligated to pay any additional amounts in respect of the withholding or deduction.

### **Petitions for Bankruptcy**

The Indenture provides that the Trustee, each Hedge Counterparty, the Servicer and the Holders of the Notes may not cause the Issuer or Co-Issuer to petition for bankruptcy before one year and one day have elapsed since the final payments to the Holders of all Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, including any period established pursuant to the laws of the Cayman Islands.

### **Standard of Conduct**

The Indenture provides that, in exercising any of its or their voting rights, rights to direct and consent or any other rights as a Noteholder under the Indenture, subject to the terms and conditions of the Indenture, a Noteholder shall not have any obligation or duty to any Person or to consider or take into account the interests of any Person and shall not be liable to any Person for any action taken by it or them or at its or their direction or any failure by it or them to act or to direct that an action be taken, without regard to whether the action or inaction benefits or adversely affects any Noteholder, the Issuer, or any other Person, except for any liability to which the Noteholder may be subject to the extent the same results from the Noteholder's taking or directing an action, or failing to take or direct an action, in bad faith or in violation of the express terms of the Indenture.

### **Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture**

The Indenture will be discharged with respect to the Collateral upon delivery to the Trustee for cancellation of all of the Notes, or, within certain limitations (including the obligation to pay interest on or principal of the Notes) upon deposit with the Trustee of funds sufficient for the payment or redemption thereof and the payment by the Co-Issuers or the Issuer, as applicable, of all other amounts due under the Indenture.

### **Trustee**

U.S. Bank National Association will be the Trustee under the Indenture. The Co-Issuers, the Servicer and their respective Affiliates may maintain other banking relationships in the ordinary course of business with the Trustee and its Affiliates. The payment of the fees and expenses of the Trustee relating to the Notes is solely the obligation of the Issuer. The payment of the fees and expenses, which will be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments, is secured by a lien on the Collateral which is senior to the lien of the Holders of the Notes. The Trustee and its Affiliates may receive compensation in connection with the purchase of trust assets in certain Eligible Investments as provided in the Indenture. Eligible Investments may include assets for which the Trustee or its Affiliates provide services. The Indenture contains provisions for the indemnification of the Trustee for any loss, liability or expense incurred without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of the Indenture.

Pursuant to the Indenture, as security for the payment by the Issuer of the compensation and expenses of the Trustee and any sums the Trustee may be entitled to receive as indemnification by the

Issuer, the Issuer will grant the Trustee a senior lien on the Collateral, which is senior to the lien of the holders of the Secured Obligations on the Collateral.

Pursuant to the Indenture, the Trustee may resign at any time by providing 30 days' written notice to the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Holders of each Class of Notes, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency, upon receipt of which the Co-Issuers shall, at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, promptly appoint a successor trustee that meets the requirements set forth in the Indenture. If no successor trustee is appointed within 60 days after such notice, the resigning Trustee or any Holder of a Class of Notes may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of such successor. The Trustee may be removed (i) at any time by a Majority of the Controlling Class or (ii) by order of a court of competent jurisdiction. If at any time the Trustee ceases to be an eligible trustee under the Indenture and fails to resign after written request by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class, or the Trustee becomes incapable of acting or is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent, then (A) the Co-Issuers may, and at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall, remove the Trustee, or (B) any Holder of a Security may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor trustee. If the Trustee is removed or becomes incapable of acting, or if a vacancy occurs in the office of the Trustee for any reason (other than resignation), the Co-Issuers shall promptly appoint a successor trustee. If the Co-Issuers fail to appoint a successor trustee within 60 days after the removal or incapability or the occurrence of the vacancy, a successor trustee may be appointed by a Majority of the Controlling Class by written instrument. If no successor trustee has been so appointed by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class, then the Trustee to be replaced or any Holder of a Security, may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor trustee. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, no resignation or removal of the Trustee will become effective until the acceptance of appointment by a successor trustee pursuant to the terms of the Indenture.

### **Governing Law**

The Notes, the Indenture, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Subscription Agreements, the Securities Lending Agreements, and the Hedge Agreements will be governed by the laws of the State of New York. The Administration Agreement and the Issuer Charter will be governed by the laws of the Cayman Islands.

### **Method of Payments**

Payments of principal and interest on any Note or payments on or in respect of the Preference Shares (including any Redemption Price paid on the applicable Redemption Date) and of any payments on any Notes or Preference Shares will be made to the person in whose name the related Note or Preference Share is registered fifteen days before the applicable Payment Date (the "**Record Date**"). Payments will be made (i) in the case of a Global Note, to the Depository or its designee and to the Holder or its nominee with respect to a Definitive Security, by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a United States dollar account maintained by the Depository or its nominee with respect to a Global Note and to the Holder or its designee with respect to a Definitive Security if the Holder has provided written wiring instructions to the Trustee and, if the payment is to be made by the Irish Paying Agent, the Irish Paying Agent on or before the related Record Date or, (ii) if appropriate wiring instructions are not received by the related Record Date, by check drawn on a U.S. bank mailed to the address of the Holder in the Indenture Register (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Preference Share register). Final payments of principal of the Notes or Preference Shares will be made against surrender of the related Notes or Preference Shares at the office designated by the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent. None of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Servicer, the Placement Agents, any paying agent, or any of their respective affiliates will have any responsibility or liability for any aspects of the records maintained by the Depository or its nominee or any of its direct or indirect participants (including Euroclear or Clearstream or any of their

respective direct or indirect participants) relating to payments made on account of beneficial interests in a Global Note.

The Co-Issuers expect that the Depository or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment of principal or interest in respect of a Global Note held by the Depository or its nominee, will immediately credit participants' accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the Global Note as shown on the records of the Depository or its nominee. The Co-Issuers also expect that payments by participants (i.e., direct participants) to owners of beneficial interests in a Global Note held through the participants (i.e., indirect participants) will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers registered in the names of nominees for the customers. The payments will be the responsibility of the participants.

For so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the ISE and the rules of the exchange shall so require, the Issuer and the Co-Issuers, as applicable, will have the Irish Paying Agent for the Senior Notes in Ireland and payments on the Senior Notes may be effected through the Irish Paying Agent. If the Irish Paying Agent is replaced at any time during the period, notice of the appointment of any replacement will be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

### **Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement**

#### *General*

Pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agent will perform various fiscal services with respect to the Preference Shares on behalf of the Issuer, including the maintenance of the Preference Shares Distribution Account and the making of distributions on the Preference Shares. The Preference Shares Paying Agent will deliver or request the Trustee to deliver all Monthly Reports and Valuation Reports prepared pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deliver, or shall cause the Trustee to deliver, a copy of any other notice or information it receives from the Trustee under the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case (i) by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to each Holder of a Preference Share at the address appearing in the Preference Share register or (ii) with respect to delivery of Monthly Reports and Valuation Reports, by making such reports available via its internet website, initially located at <https://trustinvestorreporting.usbank.com>. All information made available on the Preference Shares Paying Agent's website will be restricted and the Preference Shares Paying Agent will only provide access to such reports to those parties entitled thereto pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. In connection with providing access to its website, the Preference Shares Paying Agent may require registration and the acceptance of a disclaimer. Questions regarding the Preference Shares Paying Agent's website can be directed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent's customer service desk at (866) 252-4360. The payment of the fees and expenses of the Preference Shares Paying Agent is solely the obligation of the Issuer. The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement contains provisions for the indemnification of the Preference Shares Paying Agent for any loss, liability or expense incurred without gross negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith on its part, arising out of or in connection with the performance of its function under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

#### *Redemption*

On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Issuer is scheduled to redeem the Preference Shares for a redemption price equal to all amounts distributable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares as provided under "—Priority of Payments," unless the Preference Shares have been redeemed earlier through an optional redemption as described herein or otherwise.

### *Governing Law*

The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York. The rights of the Holders of the Preference Shares will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the Cayman Islands.

### *Redesignation of Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares*

The Share Registrar will record in the register maintained by it which Preference Shares are held by HFP or any of its subsidiaries. Such Preference Shares will be designated by the Share Registrar as Class II Preference Shares. HFP and its subsidiaries will agree not to transfer any of the Class II Preference Shares to any third party other than Investors Corp. Any transfer of Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to Investors Corp. will require redesignation by the Share Registrar of such Class II Preference Shares into Class I Preference Shares and any transfer of Class I Preference Shares to HFP or any of its subsidiaries from Investors Corp. will require redesignation by the Share Registrar of such Class I Preference Shares into Class II Preference Shares. Investors Corp. will finance the purchase of any Class II Preference Shares to be redesignated in connection with such transfer by issuing additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such Class II Preference Shares.

### *Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities*

If the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, desires to make distributions of Eligible Equity Securities on any Payment Date in lieu of Interest Proceeds that are otherwise available for distribution to the Holders of Preference Shares on such Payment Date pursuant to the Priority of Payments, the Servicer will notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent not later than 20 calendar days prior to such Payment Date and provide the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding on the Record Date or promptly thereafter, but in any event no later than two Business Days after the Record Date, to each Holder of the Preference Shares registered as such on the Record Date for such Payment Date) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding on the Record Date or promptly thereafter, but in any event no later than two Business Days after the Record Date, to each Holder of the Holding Preference Shares registered as such on the Record Date for such Payment Date) with (i) details of the Eligible Equity Securities to be distributed, (ii) the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities determined as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date, (iii) any other information considered necessary by the Servicer in connection with such proposed distribution and (iv) any information as otherwise required by the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and/or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such proposed distribution. The Preference Shares Paying Agent will then mail such materials, within two Business Days of its receipt thereof from the Servicer, to each registered Holder of Preference Shares on the Record Date for such Payment Date along with a form of notice and consent (in a form attached to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement) seeking the written consent of each such Holder of Preference Shares to distribute such Eligible Equity Securities to such Holder in lieu of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date. Each Holder of the Preference Shares wishing to receive such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of a distribution of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such applicable Payment Date (each such Holder with respect to such Payment Date, a “**Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares**”) must deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent a written consent (which consent will be irrevocable) not later than five Business Days prior to such Payment Date. If any Holder of Preference Shares does not timely deliver its written consent to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in the manner set forth in such notice indicating its consent to the receipt of such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of a distribution of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date, such Holder will be deemed to have not given its consent and shall not be a Consenting Holder of Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. On each applicable Payment Date (or as soon thereafter as reasonably practicable), Eligible Equity Securities will be distributed *pro rata* to each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. Each Holder of Preference Shares that is not a Consenting Holder of Preference Shares (and, for the avoidance of doubt,

each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares to the extent the Market Value as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date of the *pro rata* portion of Eligible Equity Securities distributed to it on such Payment Date is less than the *pro rata* portion of the Interest Proceeds that it would have received on such Payment Date had the Eligible Equity Securities not been distributed on such Payment Date) on any applicable Payment Date will receive a distribution of Interest Proceeds to the extent available in accordance with the Priority of Payments on such Payment Date. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

#### *Amendment*

*Without the Consent of Holders.* The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement may be amended by the parties thereto, without the consent of the Holders of any Preference Shares, for the purpose of curing any ambiguity, or of curing, correcting or supplementing any defective provision contained therein, or in regard to matters or questions arising under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement as the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem necessary or desirable and which shall not materially adversely affect the interests of Holders of the Preference Shares. In addition, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement may be amended without the consent of any Holders of the Preference Shares and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Preference Shares in order to prevent the Issuer from becoming an “investment company” as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); *provided* that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such amendment, each of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer shall have received a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such amendment, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

*With the consent of Holders.* Unless otherwise set forth in the preceding paragraph, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement may be amended with the consent of Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares materially and adversely affected thereby.

Any amendment to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement must be in writing, executed by each party thereto. The Preference Shares Paying Agent is entitled to receive, and (subject to its duties and obligations in the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an opinion of counsel, consent or certificate of the Issuer in determining whether or not any proposed amendment is permitted under Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

Any amendment to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement that would also necessitate a change to the Issuer Charter may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Issuer Charter) has been passed to permit the Issuer Charter to be altered to conform with such proposed amendment.

#### **The Issuer Charter**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Issuer Charter relating to the Preference Shares that are not referred to elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum.

#### *Voting Rights*

Other than as provided below, only the holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares shall have the right to receive notice of, attend at and vote as a shareholder of the Issuer at any general meeting of the Issuer. Every holder of an Issuer Ordinary Share present at any meeting shall, on a show of hands, be entitled to one vote and, on a poll, shall be entitled to one vote per Issuer Ordinary Share held by such holder.

Other than as provided below, the Holders of the Preference Shares shall have the right to receive notice of, attend at and vote as a shareholder of the Issuer at any general meeting of the Issuer only in respect of a resolution which relates to any circumstance or matter which under the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents or the Servicing Agreement can take place or occur only at the direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares (a “**Preference Share Vote**”). Every Holder of Preference Shares present shall, on a show of hands, be entitled to one vote and, on a poll, shall be entitled to one vote per Preference Share held by such Holder except that, in relation to a Preference Share Vote relating to certain matters (as set out in the Indenture) Preference Shares held by certain Holders (as set out in the Indenture), shall be ignored.

The Class II Preference Shares will have total control with respect to the appointment and removal of the directors of the Issuer as long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is higher than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date. If the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is lower than or equal to the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date, only the Issuer Ordinary Shares will be entitled to vote with respect to the appointment and removal of the directors of the Issuer.

### *Liquidation*

In the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Issuer:

(i) the Holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares at the time outstanding will be entitled to receive out of the assets of the Issuer available for distribution to shareholders, before any distribution of assets is made to Holders of the Preference Shares, an amount equal to U.S.\$2.00 in respect of each Issuer Ordinary Share held by each such holder; and

(ii) the Holders of the Preference Shares at the time Outstanding will be entitled to the balance of the assets of the Issuer available for distribution to shareholders, after distribution of amounts due to holders of Issuer Ordinary Shares under the above subparagraph, *pro rata* according to the number of Preference Shares held by each such holder.

If the assets available for distribution to holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares are not sufficient to pay to such holders U.S.\$2.00 in respect of each Issuer Ordinary Share, the available assets shall be distributed to holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares *pro rata* according to the number of Issuer Ordinary Shares held by each such holder.

### *Transfer*

The rights of a Holder of a Preference Share to transfer such Preference Share are subject to restrictions set out in the Preference Share Documents and as described in “Transfer Restrictions.”

### *Petitions for Bankruptcy*

Each Holder of a Preference Share will be required to agree (or be deemed to have agreed) not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect.

## **USE OF PROCEEDS**

The Securities will be issued and sold for Cash on the Closing Date. The gross proceeds from the issuance of such Securities on the Closing Date are expected to equal approximately U.S.\$ 900,000,000 and will be used by the Issuer to:

- purchase a portfolio of Collateral Obligations;

- fund the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to cover any future draws on Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans;
- enter into any Hedge Agreements, as applicable;
- enter into any Securities Lending Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the Securities Lending Account);
- enter into Synthetic Security Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the related accounts);
- repurchase and terminate Participations outstanding under the Warehouse Agreements (at a price reflecting the price originally paid by the Issuer to acquire the Warehoused Loan, *plus* the amount of extensions of credit in respect of certain Warehoused Loans, *minus* the aggregate amount of payments of principal received by the Warehouse Providers, respectively, in respect of such Warehoused Loan (excluding the amount of any such payment that was required to be repaid or returned by any Warehouse Provider by claw-back or otherwise), *plus* all accrued and unpaid interest and fees on such Warehoused Loans);
- fund the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account; and
- undertake certain related activities.

### SECURITY FOR THE NOTES

The Notes and the Issuer's obligations under the Hedge Agreements and the Servicing Agreement will be secured by the following:

- (i) the Collateral Obligations and all Workout Assets;
- (ii) the Custodial Account, the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Securities Lending Account (such accounts, collectively, the "**Issuer Accounts**"), Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, and all income from funds in the Issuer Accounts;
- (iii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account (and together with the Issuer Accounts, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the "**Accounts**") and assets included therein, subject to the terms of the related Synthetic Security (*provided, however*, that any such rights in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee (or securities intermediary) first to secure the Issuer's payment obligations to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty and second for the benefit of the Secured Parties);
- (iv) the Servicing Agreement, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Securities Lending Agreements and all Securities Lending Collateral and the Securities Lending Account, the Hedge Agreements as set forth in the Indenture and all Collateral securing the Hedge Counterparty's obligations thereunder including, without limitation, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account and the Collateral Administration Agreement to the extent of any rights of the Issuer therein;
- (v) all Cash or money delivered to the Trustee (or its bailee); and
- (vi) all proceeds with respect to the foregoing (collectively, the "**Collateral**").

For the avoidance of any doubt, Collateral will exclude (i) amounts released from the Trustee's lien in connection with certain Synthetic Securities, Hedge Agreements and Securities Lending Agreements in accordance with the Indenture and (ii) the Excluded Property.

### **Purchase of Collateral Obligations**

The Indenture will provide that the Servicer will use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the Issuer to purchase or enter into binding commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations that meet certain minimum amounts and characteristics. The composition of the portfolio of Collateral Obligations will be determined by the selections of the Servicer designed to meet the Eligibility Criteria, the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests and the requirements provided in paragraphs (i) through (ix) in “—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations.” See “—Eligibility Criteria,” “—The Collateral Quality Tests,” “—The Coverage Tests” and “—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations.”

The Servicer expects that, by the end of the Ramp-Up Period, the Issuer will have purchased or committed to purchase Collateral Obligations having an Aggregate Principal Balance of approximately \$880,700,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date).

### **Eligibility Criteria**

On any date during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, on any date after the Replacement Period), so long as no Event of Default is continuing, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to apply Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations) to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) if the conditions specified in the Indenture are satisfied. No obligations may be purchased unless each of the conditions in the following clauses (1) through (12) (the “**Eligibility Criteria**”) is satisfied as evidenced by a certificate of the Servicer as of the date the Issuer commits to make the purchase, in each case after giving effect to the purchase and all other purchases and sales previously or simultaneously committed to:

- (1) the obligation is a Collateral Obligation;
- (2) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period:
  - (A) each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied and, if the commitment is made on or after the second Payment Date, each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied; or
  - (B) if any such Coverage Test is not satisfied, both:
    - (i) the extent of satisfaction of the Coverage Test is not reduced; and
    - (ii) the Collateral Obligation is being purchased with Principal Proceeds other than:
      - (x) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or



- (y) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Workout Asset that has been received in exchange for a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
- (3) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Diversity Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (4) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (5) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, each of the limits in the definition of "Concentration Limitations" is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (6) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (7) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (8) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (9) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (10) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (11) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced; *provided, however*, that this Eligibility Criterion (11) shall not apply either to the application of the proceeds from the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset or to the application of Principal Proceeds in respect of Defaulted Collateral Obligations; and
- (12) for any date occurring after the Replacement Period:
  - (A) each Coverage Test is satisfied and the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
  - (B) each Collateral Quality Test is maintained or improved and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied;
  - (C) each Concentration Limitation is maintained or improved and the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Caa1 Collateral Obligations do not exceed 7.5% of the Maximum Amount;
  - (D) the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied;
  - (E) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation is at least equal to the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments or of the Credit Risk Obligations or Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable; and

(F) the current Moody's Ratings on the Class A Notes are "Aaa" and the current Moody's Ratings on the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes are no lower than one subcategory below their initial rating.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) one or more Collateral Obligations may be purchased pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange effected in compliance with "—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations—Credit Improved Obligations" regardless of whether such purchase would otherwise satisfy the Eligibility Criterion set forth in clause (12) above and (ii) the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to purchase any Collateral Obligation following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement until a successor servicer is appointed pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement. See "The Servicing Agreement."

The Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, exchange a Collateral Obligation for another Collateral Obligation in an exchange of one security for another security of the same issuers that has substantially identical terms except transfer restrictions.

Cash on deposit in the Collection Account may be held in Eligible Investments in accordance with this "Eligibility Criteria" section pending the application thereof to purchase Collateral Obligations.

The Indenture provides that any sale or purchase by the Issuer of a Collateral Obligation shall be conducted on an arm's length basis and, if effected with the Servicer or a person Affiliated with the Servicer or any fund or account for which the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer acts as investment adviser, shall be effected in accordance with the requirements the Servicing Agreement on terms no less favorable to the Issuer than would be the case if the person were not so Affiliated.

### **The Collateral Quality Tests**

The Collateral Quality Tests will be used primarily as criteria for purchasing Collateral Obligations. See "—Eligibility Criteria" above and "—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations" below. The Collateral Quality Tests are described below.

Measurement of the degree of compliance with the Collateral Quality Tests will be required on each Measurement Date on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

#### *The Diversity Test*

The "**Diversity Test**" is a test that will be satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Diversity Score as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score. For the purposes of calculating the Diversity Test, any Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation will be disregarded.

#### *Weighted Average Life Test*

The "**Weighted Average Life Test**" is a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the greater of (a) the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and August 1, 2015 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date and (b) 3.0 years.

#### *Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test*

The "**Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test**" is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 44.30%.

*Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test*

The “**Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test**” is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 52.42%.

“**S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate**” is a rate, as of any Measurement Date, equal to the number obtained by:

- (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate;
- (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations; and
- (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

*Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test*

The “**Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test**” is a test that is satisfied if, as of any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 7.5%.

*Weighted Average Spread Test*

The “**Weighted Average Spread Test**” is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread.

*Weighted Average Rating Factor Test*

The “**Weighted Average Rating Factor Test**” is a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of the Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor.

*S&P CDO Monitor Test*

The “**S&P CDO Monitor Test**” is a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive. The S&P CDO Monitor Test shall be considered to be improved if each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is at least equal to the corresponding Note Class Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio. The S&P CDO Monitor Test is not required to be satisfied or improved upon the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation and the application of the related Sale Proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations. For purposes of the S&P CDO Monitor Test:

- (i) the S&P Rating of any S&P Unrated DIP Loan shall be “CCC”; and
- (ii) the S&P Industry Classification for a Synthetic Security shall be that of the related Reference Obligation and not the Synthetic Security.

The “**Note Class Loss Differential**” with respect to any Measurement Date and any Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the rate calculated by subtracting the Class Scenario Loss Rate for the Class from the then-applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate for the Class of Notes.

The “**Note Break-Even Loss Rate**” with respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the maximum percentage of defaults that the Current Portfolio or Proposed Portfolio can sustain and

nevertheless sufficient funds will remain for the payment of principal of the Class of Notes in full by its Stated Maturity and the timely payment of interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes and the ultimate payment of interest on the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes using S&P's assumptions on recoveries, defaults, and timing, and taking into account the Priority of Payments and the adjusted Weighted Average Spread level specified in the applicable row of the table below. The adjusted Weighted Average Spread as of any Measurement Date is the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date *minus* the amount of any Spread Excess added to the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon as of the Measurement Date.

Row	Adjusted Weighted Average Spread
1	Greater than or equal to 3.05%
2	Greater than or equal to 2.95% but less than 3.05%
3	Greater than or equal to 2.85% but less than 2.95%
4	Greater than or equal to 2.75% but less than 2.85%
5	Greater than or equal to 2.65% but less than 2.75%
6	Greater than or equal to 2.55% but less than 2.65%
7	Greater than or equal to 2.45% but less than 2.55%
8	Greater than or equal to 2.35% but less than 2.45%
9	Greater than or equal to 2.25% but less than 2.35%

## The Coverage Tests

### *General*

The Coverage Tests will be used to determine, among other things, whether Notes will be redeemed in certain circumstances as described under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments” and whether additional Collateral Obligations may be acquired as described under “—Eligibility Criteria.” There will not be any Coverage Test applicable to the Preference Shares.

### *The Overcollateralization Tests*

The “**Overcollateralization Tests**” will consist of the Class A/B Overcollateralization Test, the Class C Overcollateralization Test and the Class D Overcollateralization Test.

Each Overcollateralization Test will be satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes on any Measurement Date if, as of such Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the specified required level for the Class indicated in the table in “Summary of Terms—The Overcollateralization Tests.”

The Overcollateralization Ratio, with respect to each Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, is referred to as an “**Overcollateralization Ratio**,” and is the ratio calculated by *dividing*:

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator; by
- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it (excluding any Deferred Interest on the Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it).

The “**Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator**” is, on any date, the sum of:

- (1) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (other than any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, any

Deep Discount Obligations and any Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an “event of default” (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing); *plus*

- (2) unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal (excluding any unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal in respect of Non-Performing Collateral Obligations); *plus*
- (3) the Aggregate Principal Balance of any Eligible Investments that were purchased with Principal Proceeds and the amount of Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
- (4) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Eligible Investments on deposit in a Securities Lending Account that relate to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an “event of default” (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing; *plus*
- (5) with respect Collateral Obligation that are Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, Deep Discount Obligations or Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, the amount determined by using one of the following methods applicable to such type of Collateral Obligation; *provided* that if a Collateral Obligation falls within more than one of such types, the Issuer will be required to use the method that results in the smallest amount:
  - (A) with respect to any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, an amount equal to the product of (i) the lower of (1) 70% and (2) the weighted average of the Adjusted Market Value of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, *multiplied* by (ii) the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations;
  - (B) with respect to any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, the aggregate of the Applicable Collateral Obligation Amounts for all included Non-Performing Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations that have been held by the Issuer for more than three years, which shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this clause (B)); and
  - (C) with respect to any Deep Discount Obligations, the Aggregate Purchase Price Amount for all Deep Discount Obligations.

As used in this definition,

“**Adjusted Market Value**” means, with respect to each CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation, the lower of (x) 100% and (y) the Market Value of such CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation, expressed as a percentage of its outstanding principal balance.

“**Applicable Collateral Obligation Amount**” for any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation means:

- (1) the lesser of (x) the Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation and (y) the Applicable Percentage for the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation *multiplied* by:
- (2) if the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation is:
  - (A) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (B) through (D) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;

- (B) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (C) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and
- (D) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

As used in the calculation of Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation, the Principal Balance of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall be, if the Defaulted Collateral Obligation is:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (ii) through (iv) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and
- (iv) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

*The Interest Coverage Tests*

The Interest Coverage Test in respect of each Class of Notes (each an "**Interest Coverage Test**") is a test the first Measurement Date for which will be on the second Payment Date and that is satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level specified in the table in "Summary of Terms— The Interest Coverage Tests."

The "**Interest Coverage Ratio**" with respect to any specified Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by dividing:

- (i) the sum of:
  - (A) the Interest Proceeds received or scheduled to be received with respect to the Due Period in which the Measurement Date occurs; *minus*
  - (B) amounts payable under clauses (1), (2), (3) and (4) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" on the related Payment Date; by
- (ii) all accrued and unpaid interest on the specified Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to the Class, including any Deferred Interest on the related Payment Date.

For purposes of the Interest Coverage Ratio, only the amount of any interest payment (including any "gross up" payment) on any Collateral Obligation in excess of any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction on any date of determination shall be included in Interest Proceeds.

*Retention Overcollateralization Test*

The “**Retention Overcollateralization Test**” is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date during the Replacement Period on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Retention Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 104.8%.

**Ramp-Up**

In connection with the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer shall use its best efforts to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period or enter into commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period for purchase on or as soon as practicable thereafter (not to exceed 60 days thereafter), in each case, for inclusion in the Collateral so that the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A Notes is at least U.S.\$880,700,000.

No Collateral Obligations may be purchased prior to the Ramp-Up Completion Date unless immediately following the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (as certified by the Servicer in writing), the remaining funds in the Collection Account, after giving effect to such purchase, are sufficient as of the date of determination to purchase Collateral Obligations for inclusion in the Collateral so that the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A Notes is at least U.S.\$880,700,000 (taking into account the Collateral Obligations already part of the Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date)).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, or any other provision of the Indenture, if the Issuer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase a Collateral Obligation to be included in the Collateral, such commitment initially not to exceed 60 days, and at the time of the commitment the Collateral Obligation complied with the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and the requirements set forth under “—Ramp-Up,” the Issuer may consummate the purchase of the Collateral Obligation notwithstanding that the Collateral Obligation fails to comply with the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and the requirements set out above on the date of settlement.

The Issuer will use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase, or to enter into binding agreements to purchase, Collateral Obligations by the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that, together with the Collateral Obligations purchased on or before the Closing Date and then held by the Issuer, will satisfy, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date), the Collateral Quality Tests, the Concentration Limitations, the criteria set forth in the Indenture and the Overcollateralization Tests.

Within 5 Business Days after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer or the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) shall request a Rating Confirmation on behalf of the Issuer and shall provide a report to the Rating Agencies identifying the Collateral Obligations then included in the Collateral and the Issuer shall obtain and deliver to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies, together with the delivery of a report (and, with respect to S&P, the Excel Default Model Input File and, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, the name of the obligor thereon, the CUSIP number thereof (if applicable) and the S&P Priority Category thereof) substantially in the form of a Monthly Report as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, an accountants’ certificate:

(i) confirming the maturity date, rating, spread and recovery rate for each item of original Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date and the information provided by the Issuer with respect to every other asset included in the Collateral, by reference to such sources as shall be specified therein;

- (ii) confirming that as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date:
  - (1) each of the Coverage Tests are satisfied;
  - (2) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owned or committed to purchase as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date is at least equal to the Maximum Amount; and
  - (3) the Collateral Obligations comply with all of the requirements of the Collateral Quality Tests and the Concentration Limitations and the criteria set forth in “—Eligibility Criteria”; and
- (iii) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing statements.

If a Rating Confirmation Failure should occur, the Notes will be redeemed pursuant to the Indenture and as described in “Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes upon Rating Confirmation Failure.”

### **Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations**

Pursuant to the Indenture and so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell (and the Trustee will sell) any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset if the sale meets the requirements in paragraphs (i) through (ix) below:

- (i) *Credit Risk Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Risk Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Risk Obligation in accordance with such direction. Following any sale of a Credit Risk Obligation pursuant to the Indenture, at the direction of the Servicer during the Replacement Period, the Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (to the extent the purchase is in the best interest of the Issuer) meeting the Eligibility Criteria with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Sale Proceeds received by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral Obligation sold. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount.
- (ii) *Credit Improved Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Improved Obligation if either:
  - (1) during the Replacement Period, the Servicer has identified in writing before the sale one or more specific manners in which it will be able, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria and the requirements set forth in paragraph (ix) below, to cause the Issuer to use the Sale Proceeds (it being understood that such identification shall not be considered either a requirement or an assurance that any specified purchase will be consummated) to purchase one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Credit Improved Obligation by the end of the immediately succeeding Due Period (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest) which in aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Tests, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied or if one or more of such



Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith being improved, (ii) the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests and Concentration Limitations being improved on a net basis in the commercially reasonable judgement of the Servicer and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or, in the commercially reasonable judgement of the Servicer, the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased; or

- (2) after the Replacement Period, the Sale Proceeds received in respect of the Credit Improved Obligation are at least equal to its Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest);

and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Improved Obligation in accordance with such direction.

- (iii) *Non-Performing Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction. Non-Performing Collateral Obligations may be sold regardless of price.
- (iv) *Non-qualifying Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation (the “**Non-Qualifying Collateral Obligation**”) at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell that obligation in accordance with such direction.
- (v) *Withholding Tax Sales.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation subject to withholding tax at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction.
- (vi) *Optional Redemption.* After the Issuer has notified the Trustee of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all or a portion of the Collateral Obligations as contemplated therein if (A) the requirements in respect of an Optional Redemption under the Indenture have been satisfied and (B) the independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to the Indenture have confirmed the calculations contained in any required certificate furnished by the Servicer pursuant to the Indenture’s Note redemption procedure provisions. After the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares have directed an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Indenture, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all of the remaining Collateral Obligations (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to clause (i) under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares”) or a portion of the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous directions of Holders of the Preference Shares (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to clause (ii) under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares”) and the Trustee shall sell the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

- (vii) *Rating Confirmation Failure.* After the Servicer has received notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Securities, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell Collateral Obligations as contemplated in the Indenture and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.
- (viii) *Workout Assets.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Workout Asset at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and regardless of price and the Trustee shall sell the Workout Assets in accordance with such direction.
- (ix) *Supervening Requirement.* Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Issuer (at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise) will not acquire or dispose of a Collateral Obligation or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. For the avoidance of doubt, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise, may direct the Trustee to sell any CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation or Deep Discount Obligation only (a) if it constitutes Credit Risk Obligation or Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or (b) in connection with the Optional Redemption as set out in paragraph (vi) above. The Trustee will have no obligation to monitor compliance by the Issuer or the Servicer with respect to the requirement set out in this paragraph.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation (other than the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation or a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation pursuant to a sale that meets the requirements in paragraph (i) or (iii) above, as applicable) following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement until a successor servicer is appointed pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement. See "The Servicing Agreement."

#### **Certain Determinations Relating to Collateral Obligations**

The Indenture provides that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained therein, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have purchased any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to purchase, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to receive such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have acquired, granted or delivered, as the case may be, such Collateral Obligations on such date.

The Indenture provides that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained therein, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to sell, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to sell, and requiring the purchaser to purchase, such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold such Collateral Obligations on such date.

Under the circumstances described in the two preceding paragraphs, if the transaction contemplated by the contract, commitment letter, confirmation or due bill referred to therein does not settle on or before the 60<sup>th</sup> day following the scheduled settlement date (the "**Deadline**"), the deemed purchase or sale shall be deemed not to have occurred; *provided, however*, that the Servicer shall have the right to extend the Deadline for an additional period (not to exceed an additional 60 days) by notice to the

Trustee, which notice shall include the Servicer's certification to the effect that the Servicer believes that the settlement shall occur on or before the extended Deadline.

Scheduled distributions with respect to any Pledged Collateral Obligation shall be determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Indenture.

### **The Accounts**

The Indenture provides that the Trustee will establish separate segregated non-interest bearing trust accounts, which will be designated as the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Custodial Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Securities Lending Account and the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account. In addition, Synthetic Security Counterparty Accounts may also be established. Any account may contain any number of subaccounts.

*Collection Account.* The Trustee shall deposit into the "**Collection Account**":

- (i) any funds transferred from (1) the Closing Date Expense Account pursuant to the Indenture or (2) the Interest Reserve Account pursuant to the Indenture;
- (ii) all Principal Proceeds (unless (1) simultaneously used to purchase Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture, (2) deposited into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or (3) posted by the Issuer as cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security or in Eligible Investments) received by the Trustee;
- (iii) all Interest Proceeds received by the Trustee (unless simultaneously used to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture or in Eligible Investments); and
- (iv) all other funds received by the Trustee and not excluded above.

The Issuer and the Servicer may, but will not be required to, jointly deposit from time to time any monies in the Collection Account it deems, in its sole discretion, to be advisable (and may designate any amounts so deposited as Principal Proceeds or Interest Proceeds in its discretion).

Any Principal Proceeds received during the Replacement Period, and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments received after the Replacement Period, which have not been used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations on the Business Day of receipt shall be deposited in the Collection Account and shall at the direction of the Servicer be applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the other requirements set forth in the Indenture or the purchase of Eligible Investments pending such application or used to enter into additional Hedge Agreements or used in connection with a Special Redemption. Principal Proceeds (other than Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations, Credit Risk Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments) received after the Replacement Period shall be deposited into the Collection Account and applied to the purchase of Eligible Investments.

The Collection Account shall be maintained for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer and each Hedge Counterparty and amounts on deposit in the Collection Account will be available for application in the order of priority under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments" and for the acquisition of Collateral Obligations under the circumstances and pursuant to the requirements in the Indenture. Amounts received in the Collection Account during a Due Period and amounts received in prior Due Periods and retained in the Collection Account under the circumstances

stated above in “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments” will be applied in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions). All proceeds deposited in the Collection Account will be retained therein unless used to purchase Collateral Obligations during the Replacement Period (or, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period) in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria, to honor commitments with respect thereto entered into during or after the Replacement Period, or used as otherwise permitted under the Indenture. See “—Eligibility Criteria.”

The Trustee shall transfer to the Payment Account from the Collection Account for application pursuant to the Priority of Payments, no later than the Business Day preceding each Payment Date, the amount set forth to be so transferred in the Valuation Report for the Payment Date.

At any time during or after the Replacement Period, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to pay from amounts on deposit in the Collection Account on any Business Day during any Interest Period from Interest Proceeds only, any Administrative Expenses that require payment before the next Payment Date to the extent that the amount of the payments does not exceed the aggregate amount that may be paid on the next payment Date under, and at the level of priority specified by, “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

*Custodial Account.* The Trustee will from time to time deposit collateral into the “**Custodial Account,**” over which the Trustee will have exclusive control and sole right of withdrawal, in accordance with the Indenture. All assets or securities at any time on deposit in or otherwise to the credit of the Custodial Account will be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer and each Hedge Counterparty.

*Revolving Reserve Account and Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account.* Upon the purchase of any Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, at the direction of the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit Principal Proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account,” in the case of a Revolving Loan, and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account,” in the case of a Delayed Drawdown Loan, each equal to the unfunded commitment amount of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, respectively, and the Principal Proceeds so deposited shall be considered part of the Purchase Price of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan for purposes of the Indenture. At the direction of the Servicer at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall withdraw funds from the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to fund extensions of credit pursuant to Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans, respectively. In addition, to the extent that the Issuer receives proceeds of a repayment in respect of a Revolving Loan (except to the extent of any concurrent commitment reduction) at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall deposit the proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account.

Upon the sale of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan in whole or in part or the reduction in part or termination of the Issuer’s commitment thereunder, an amount on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, as the case may be, specified by the Servicer as being equal to (i) the unfunded amount of the commitment (in the case of a sale in whole or a termination of the commitment), (ii) the proportionate amount of the amount on deposit (in the case of a sale in part) or (iii) the amount by which the commitment is reduced (in the case of a reduction thereof in part), shall be transferred by the Trustee to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds.

Amounts on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account will be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) not later than the Business Day after the date of their purchase. All interest and other income from amounts in the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account under the Indenture shall be considered Interest Proceeds in the Due Period in which they are so deposited.

*Synthetic Security Collateral Account.* On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Synthetic Security the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the non-interest bearing trust account established for Synthetic Security Collateral (the “**Synthetic Security Collateral Account**”) with respect to the Synthetic Security. All Synthetic Security Collateral posted by any Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Synthetic Security shall be immediately deposited into the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Synthetic Security. On each day on which amounts are payable to the Issuer out of Synthetic Security Collateral, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to withdraw amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in an amount sufficient to make the payment (including any total or partial release of Synthetic Security Collateral). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be:

- (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty to the Issuer under a Synthetic Security if the Synthetic Security becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the Synthetic Security upon any “event of default” under and as defined in the terms of the Synthetic Security, including liquidating the related Synthetic Security Collateral Account; or
- (ii) to return the Synthetic Security Collateral to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty when and as required by the terms of the Synthetic Security, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account will be held in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities not later than one Business Day after their purchase, as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions), and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.* The Trustee will deposit all collateral received from a Hedge Counterparty under any Hedge Agreement into the “**Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.**” The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account will be (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer under a Hedge Agreement if the Hedge Agreement becomes subject to early termination or (ii) to return collateral to the relevant Hedge Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Hedge Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer. Amounts on deposit in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account will be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Closing Date Expense Account.* Amounts deposited in the “**Closing Date Expense Account**” on the Closing Date will be withdrawn to pay certain administrative expenses of the Co-Issuers. On the Payment Date in May 2007 (or, at the discretion of the Servicer, on the Payment Date in February 2007), the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds and close the Closing Date Expense Account. Amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account shall be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the second Payment Date as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Expense Reimbursement Account.* On any Payment Date and on any date between Payment Dates, the Trustee will apply amounts, if any, in the “**Expense Reimbursement Account**” to the payment of expenses and fees that must be paid between Payment Dates or that are due on that Payment Date under clause (1) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” and the Trustee shall on any Payment Date transfer to the Expense Reimbursement Account an amount equal to the excess, if any of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts due under clause (1) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” to the Expense Reimbursement

Account in accordance with clause (2) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.” Amounts on deposit in the Expense Reimbursement Account shall be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions), no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date.

*Securities Lending Account.* The Trustee will deposit all Securities Lending Collateral posted by any Securities Lending Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Securities Lending Agreement in a non-interest bearing trust account (the “**Securities Lending Account**”). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Securities Lending Account will be (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty to the Issuer under a Securities Lending Agreement if the Securities Lending Agreement becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the Securities Lending Agreement upon any “event of default” under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement, including liquidating the related Securities Lending Collateral or (ii) to return collateral to the Securities Lending Counterparty when and as required by a Securities Lending Agreement. Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the loaned security or asset that relates to the Securities Lending Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer.

*Payment Account.* The Trustee will deposit collateral into the “**Payment Account**,” over which the Trustee will have exclusive control and sole right of withdrawal, in accordance with the Indenture. All assets or securities at any time on deposit in or otherwise to the credit of the Payment Account will be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer, and each Hedge Counterparty. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Payment Account shall be to pay amounts due and payable on the Notes and to pay Administrative Expenses and other amounts specified in the Indenture, each in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

*Interest Reserve Account.* Amounts deposited in the “**Interest Reserve Account**,” on the Closing Date will be withdrawn (i) to pay amounts necessary such that the amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (20) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” will be paid in full on each Payment Date occurring on or before the Payment Date in May 2007 or (ii) at any time, to be transferred at the discretion of the Servicer to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds. On the Payment Date in May 2007 (or, at the discretion of the Servicer, on the Payment Date in February 2007), the Trustee will transfer all funds on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds and close the Interest Reserve Account. Amounts on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account will be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions), no later than the Business Day before the second Payment Date.

*Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account.* On each Payment Date, to the extent of available funds in accordance with the Priority of Payments, the Trustee will deposit into the “**Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account**” amounts equal to the products of (a) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date and (b) on any Payment Date during the first two years after the Closing Date or with respect to which the Servicer has notified the Trustee on or before the related Determination Date that it is waiving its Servicing Fee, the Servicing Fees then due and payable, as described in “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments,” for payment to the Servicer on such Payment Date. The Servicer has agreed to waive such amounts, which would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as Servicing Fees, on each Payment Date during the first two years following the Closing Date and an amount equal to such waived amounts will be distributed by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. After the two-year anniversary of the Closing Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion of the Servicing Fees

then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

*Synthetic Security Counterparty Account.* To the extent that any Synthetic Security requires the Issuer to secure its obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee and the Trustee shall establish a segregated non-interest bearing trust account (the “**Synthetic Security Counterparty Account**”) for the Synthetic Security which shall be held in trust for the benefit of the related Synthetic Security Counterparty and over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and the Indenture. In the alternative, a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account may be established with a trustee designated by the Synthetic Security Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that trustee would qualify to be a successor trustee under the Indenture and the account satisfies the other requirements of a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account under the Indenture.

As directed in writing by the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit (or deliver for deposit) into each Synthetic Security Counterparty Account all amounts or securities that are required to secure the obligations of the Issuer in accordance with the related Synthetic Security, including the entire notional amount of any Synthetic Security in the form of a credit default swap or other similar transaction. The Servicer shall direct any such deposit only during the Replacement Period and only to the extent that monies are available for the purchase of Collateral Obligations pursuant to the Indenture. Any income received on amounts in the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall, after application in accordance with the relevant Synthetic Security, be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Interest Proceeds.

As directed by the Servicer in writing and in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and the Indenture, amounts on deposit in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in Synthetic Security Collateral.

In connection with the occurrence of a credit event or an event of default or a termination event (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security) under the related Synthetic Security, amounts in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be withdrawn by the Trustee (or the Trustee shall request their withdrawal) and applied toward the payment of any amounts payable by the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the Synthetic Security, as directed by the Servicer in writing. Any excess amounts held in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, or held directly by a Synthetic Security Counterparty, after payment of all amounts owing from the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the related Synthetic Security shall be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Principal Proceeds.

Amounts on deposit in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the Synthetic Security that relates to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer (with the notional amount as the Principal Balance unless a default exists under the applicable Synthetic Security).

## **Hedge Agreements**

At any time and from time to time after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall enter into the Hedge Agreements and will assign its rights (but none of its obligations) under the Hedge Agreements to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture and the collateral assignment of Hedge Agreements. The Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, will obtain the approval of each new Hedge

Agreement from each Hedge Counterparty to a then-existing Hedge Agreement. The Trustee will, on behalf of the Issuer and in accordance with the Valuation Report, pay amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements on any Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Each Hedge Counterparty will be required to have (i) a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "Aa3" (which rating of "Aa3" is not on credit watch for a possible downgrade) or higher if the Hedge Counterparty has only a long-term rating; or a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "A1" (which rating of "A1" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) or higher and a debt rating by Moody's for short-term debt of "P-1" (which rating of "P-1" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) if the Hedge Counterparty has both long-term and short-term ratings and (ii) a short-term debt rating by S&P of not less than "A-1" or, if the Hedge Counterparty does not have a short-term debt rating by S&P, a long-term debt rating of not less than "A+" (the "**Required Rating**").

If at any time a Hedge Counterparty has:

- (A) no short-term Moody's rating and a long-term Moody's rating and that rating is below "Aa3" or is "Aa3" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's; or
- (B) both a short-term and long-term Moody's rating; and either:
  - (i) the long-term Moody's rating is below "A1" or that rating is "A1" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's, or
  - (ii) the short-term Moody's rating is below "P-1" or that rating is "P-1" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's;

then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within 30 days, either:

- (i) post collateral with the Trustee to secure the Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement, in an amount and of the type sufficient to cause the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's to be satisfied;
- (ii) obtain a guarantor whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the above criteria;
- (iii) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the above criteria; or
- (iv) take other actions to satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's.

If at any time the Hedge Counterparty has:

- (A) no short-term Moody's rating and a long-term Moody's rating that is "A2" or below or has been suspended or withdrawn;
- (B) both a short-term and long-term Moody's rating; and either:
  - (i) the long-term Moody's rating is "A3" or below or is suspended or withdrawn; or



- (ii) the short-term Moody's rating is "P-2" or below; or
- (C) a short-term debt rating by S&P below "A-1" or, if the Hedge Counterparty has no short-term rating by S&P, a long-term rating by S&P below "A+" or that has been suspended or withdrawn;

then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within 30 days, either:

- (i) post collateral as required by the Hedge Agreement to secure the Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement in an amount and of the type sufficient to cause the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's and S&P to be satisfied; *provided* that the Hedge Counterparty shall, at the time such collateral is first posted, deliver to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Rating Agencies an opinion of counsel of nationally recognized standing in the jurisdiction in which the Hedge Counterparty is incorporated confirming that such collateral will be available in a timely manner upon a bankruptcy of the Hedge Counterparty; or
- (ii) (x) obtain a guarantor that has a Required Rating and that will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P with respect to its appointment; (y) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has a Required Rating and the appointment of which will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P; or (z) take such other actions to satisfy the Ratings Condition;

*provided* that failure to take any such steps set forth under paragraphs (i) and (ii) above shall be treated as an "Additional Termination Event" under such Hedge Agreement.

Whenever the Issuer enters into a Hedge Agreement, the Hedge Counterparty thereto shall comply with the then currently applicable rating criteria published by each Rating Agency from time to time.

If at any time the Hedge Counterparty has a long-term unsecured debt rating by S&P below "BBB-," then the Hedge Counterparty will be required to replace itself within 30 days under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has a Required Rating and the appointment of which will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P; *provided* that failure to do so shall be treated as an "Additional Termination Event" under such Hedge Agreement.

Any payments required to be made under the Hedge Agreements shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments shall be subordinate to interest and principal payments on the Notes and any other payments required to be made by the Issuer under the Hedge Agreements, but senior to distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Indenture.

Unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is otherwise satisfied, following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall promptly (but no later than 60 days after the early termination), at the expense of the Hedge Counterparty and to the extent possible through Hedge Termination Receipts, enter into a replacement hedge, unless, in the exercise of the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment, to do so would not be in the best interest of the Issuer and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to not entering into a replacement hedge. In addition, a replacement hedge may not be entered into unless the Issuer provides the Rating Agencies with at least seven Business Days' prior written notice of its intention to enter into a replacement hedge, together with its form and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the replacement hedge. The Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the termination of a Hedge Agreement

(other than a termination resulting from the bankruptcy, insolvency, or similar event with respect to the Hedge Counterparty) to become effective simultaneously with its entering into a replacement hedge. To the extent that (i) the Servicer determines not to replace the Hedge Agreement and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the determination; or (ii) termination is occurring on a Redemption Date, the Hedge Termination Receipts shall become part of Principal Proceeds and be distributed in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the next following Payment Date (or on the Redemption Date, if the Notes are redeemed on the Redemption Date).

The notional amounts of the Hedge Agreements outstanding at any time may be reduced or increased from time to time, by the Issuer, and the Hedge Agreements may be amended, modified, or terminated in accordance with the Hedge Agreements if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the reduction, increase, amendment, modification, or termination, as the case may be.

Each Hedge Agreement may be terminated pursuant to its terms upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes or an acceleration of maturity of the Notes after an Event of Default. The Hedge Agreement will not be permitted to be terminated as the result of a Default or Event of Default unless any acceleration of maturity of the Notes resulting from the Event of Default is no longer permitted to be rescinded pursuant to the Indenture.

Except for Hedge Agreements entered into on or before the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied.

### **Securities Lending**

The Indenture permits the Issuer to engage in a limited number of securities lending transactions as described below.

The Servicer may instruct the Trustee to cause Collateral Obligations that are not Defaulted Collateral Obligations to be lent for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) having long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or guarantors with ratings of at least "A1" (and not "A1" but on credit watch with negative implications) and "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A" from S&P (each, a "**Securities Lending Counterparty**") pursuant to one or more agreements (each, a "**Securities Lending Agreement**"); *provided* that Collateral Obligations the Market Value of which cannot be determined under clause (i), (ii) or (iii) of that definition may not be lent pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement. Upon receipt of an Issuer Order, the Trustee shall release any lent Collateral Obligations to a Securities Lending Counterparty as directed by the Servicer. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the IXIS Placement Agents or Affiliates of the Servicer. The duration of any Securities Lending Agreement shall not exceed the Stated Maturity of the Notes. Collateral Obligations representing no more than 15% (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of the Maximum Amount may be loaned pursuant to Securities Lending Agreements at any time.

Each Securities Lending Agreement shall be on market terms as determined by the Servicer (except to the extent specified in the Indenture) and shall:

- (i) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty return to the Issuer debt obligations that are identical (in terms of issue and class) to the lent Collateral Obligations;
- (ii) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty pay to the Issuer amounts equivalent to all interest and other payments that the owner of the lent Collateral Obligation is entitled to for the period during which the Collateral Obligation is lent and require that any such payments not be subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the Securities Lending Counterparty is required under the Securities Lending Agreement to

make “gross-up” payments to the Issuer that cover the full amount of the withholding tax on an after-tax basis;

- (iii) require that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency shall be satisfied with respect to the execution of the Securities Lending Agreement;
- (iv) satisfy any other requirements of Section 1058 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated under it;
- (v) be governed by the laws of New York;
- (vi) permit the Issuer to assign its rights under the Securities Lending Agreement to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture;
- (vii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Collateral Obligation becomes a Credit Risk Obligation or is subject to redemption in accordance with its terms;
- (viii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty upon any redemption of the Notes in whole;
- (ix) require the Securities Lending Counterparty to post with the Trustee collateral consisting of cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the Securities Lending Agreement to secure its obligation to return the Collateral Obligations or in the alternative post that collateral with a custodian for the benefit of the Issuer designated by the Securities Lending Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that custodian would qualify to be a successor trustee under the Indenture;
- (x) provide that the Securities Lending Collateral shall be maintained at all times in an amount equal to at least 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value (determined daily and monitored by the Servicer) of the lent Collateral Obligations and if securities are delivered to the Trustee as security for the obligations of the Securities Lending Counterparty under the related Securities Lending Agreement, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will negotiate with the Securities Lending Counterparty a rate for the loan fee to be paid to the Issuer for lending the lent Collateral Obligations;
- (xi) the lent Collateral Obligations shall be marked-to-market on a daily basis by the Servicer on the basis of their Market Value;
- (xii) the Collateral will include the Issuer’s rights under the related Securities Lending Agreement rather than the loaned Collateral Obligation;
- (xiii) provide for early termination within 10 days at the option of the Issuer and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Securities Lending Counterparty is no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty and the noncompliance is not cured as provided in the Indenture; and
- (xiv) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Securities Lending Counterparty) equivalent (mutatis mutandis) to those in the Indenture.

In addition, each Securities Lending Agreement must provide that if either Moody’s or S&P downgrades a Securities Lending Counterparty such that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the

Securities Lending Counterparty is a party are no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty, then the Issuer, within 10 days of the downgrade, shall (i) terminate its Securities Lending Agreements with the Securities Lending Counterparty unless a guarantor for the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements has been obtained; or (ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations lent to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty so that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party, together with all other Securities Lending Agreements, are in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of Securities Lending Counterparties; or (iii) take any other steps Moody's or S&P may require to cause the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party to be treated by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, as if the obligations were owed by a counterparty having a rating at least equivalent to the rating that was assigned by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty before its being downgraded.

The Servicer shall instruct the Trustee in writing with respect to the administration of any Securities Lending Agreement (including with respect to any default and the exercise of rights under it). The Trustee shall not have any responsibility for evaluating the sufficiency, validity, or acceptability of any Securities Lending Agreement or for the qualifications or eligibility of any Securities Lending Counterparty. Nothing in the Indenture shall be construed to cause the Trustee to have any fiduciary duties to any Securities Lending Counterparty.

So long as any Collateral Obligation is on loan pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement, (a) the Trustee shall have no liability for any failure or inability on its part to receive any information or take any action with respect to the Collateral Obligation because of its being on loan (including any failure to take action with respect to a notice of redemption, consent solicitation, exchange or tender offer, or similar corporate action) and (b) the loaned Collateral Obligations shall not be disqualified for return to the Trustee as a Collateral Obligation by any change in circumstance or status during the time while on loan (including any change that would cause the Collateral Obligation to be ineligible for purchase by the Issuer under the Indenture if applied to a proposed purchase of it in the open market at the time of its return from loan).

## **MATURITY AND PREPAYMENT CONSIDERATIONS**

The Stated Maturity of each Class of Notes will be July 27, 2018 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date; *however*, the principal of each Class of the Notes is expected to be paid in full prior to its Stated Maturity (or Extended Stated Maturity Date, as applicable). Average life refers to the average amount of time that will elapse from the date of delivery of a security until each dollar of the principal of such security will be paid to the investor. The average lives of the Notes will be determined by the amount and frequency of principal payments, which are dependent upon, among other things, the amount of sinking fund payments and any other payments received at or in advance of the scheduled maturity of Collateral Obligations (whether through sale, maturity, redemption, default or other liquidation or disposition).

The actual performance of the Securities will also be affected by the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral Obligations and the characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, including the interest rate or other rate of distribution, the actual default rate and actual losses sustained, the existence and frequency of exercise of any prepayment, optional redemption, or sinking fund features and any related premium, the prevailing level of interest rates, any sales of Collateral Obligations, and any unique risks of the Collateral Obligations. Any disposition of a Collateral Obligation may change the composition and characteristics of the portfolio of Collateral Obligations and their rate of payment, and, accordingly, may affect the actual performance of each respective Class of Securities. The ability of the Issuer to apply any Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds in the manner described under "Security for the Notes" will also affect the performance of the Securities. Redemptions will also affect the performance of the Securities.

## THE SERVICER

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### General

Based in Dallas, Texas, Highland Capital is a registered investment adviser specializing in below investment-grade credit and special situation investing. As of March 31, 2006, Highland Capital managed over \$25 billion in leveraged loans, high yield bonds, structured products and other assets for banks, insurance companies, pension plans, foundations and high net worth individuals.

Highland Capital manages or services these assets through a variety of fund structures including separate accounts, CDOs, hedge funds and mutual funds. As of March 31, 2006, Highland Capital invested in approximately 1,000 below investment grade and credit sensitive credit positions, and Highland Capital's 62 person credit team followed approximately 1,200 below investment grade and credit sensitive credit positions across over 40 industries. Highland Capital or an Affiliate or predecessor thereof has been an SEC-registered investment adviser since April 1993.

### Philosophy and Process

Highland Capital has a large range and depth of experience. It has expertise in the fields of syndicated loans, high yield bonds, and distressed assets. Highland Capital believes it is in a position to maximize the spread differential between the yields on underlying collateral and the cost of financing. In addition, Highland Capital seeks to construct portfolios to (a) maximize relative value based on its credit views and (b) maximize diversification in order to minimize the effect of isolated credit events on the overall portfolio, utilizing Highland Capital's infrastructure to minimize defaults of underlying assets and to maximize recoveries in the case of defaults. Highland Capital has invested over \$450 million of firm capital in its funds and expects that HFP, an Affiliate of the Servicer, and/or one or more of HFP's subsidiaries will on the Closing Date purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares.

Highland Capital believes that its disciplined selection process minimizes a portfolio's risk and that its analysis seeks to maximize yield spread while limiting downside risk. Portfolio managers actively follow each credit and several times each year the entire staff reviews all positions during multi-day monitoring meetings. Highland Capital diversifies its portfolios with set limits on exposure to any one given industry or issuer. Highland Capital believes that this philosophy and selection process has resulted in positive returns on its underlying loan portfolio and consistent outperformance relative to its indices.

Highland Capital focuses on a "team" approach that it has used since 1990. It is Highland Capital management's belief that this style creates the optimum environment for the exchange of information and the development of all asset management professionals. All aspects of the selection, monitoring and servicing process are coordinated through the senior asset portfolio managers' direct interaction. A committee of senior portfolio managers and analysts, Highland Capital's Chief Investment Officer and its Head of Structured Products meets every morning to discuss the status of the credits. Collectively, the committee utilizes a selection and monitoring process which is driven by fundamental credit research. Each portfolio manager/analyst makes specific credit recommendations based upon industry coverage. The credit recommendation is then brought to the committee for consideration. Based upon the consensus decision, the portfolio manager with the recommendation will direct Highland traders to execute the trade. Highland Capital has also provided its committee with a strong commitment to technology. The firm developed Wall Street Office® which is a proprietary software system that allows Highland Capital to model, portfolio manage, and trade syndicated loans. This software has been licensed to more than 70 financial institutions that acquire syndicated loans.

## **Professionals of the Servicer**

Set forth below is information regarding certain persons who are currently employed by the Servicer. Such persons may not necessarily continue to be so employed during the entire term of the Servicing Agreement.

### **Senior Management**

#### ***James Dondero, CFA, CPA, CMA – Managing Partner, President***

Mr. Dondero is a Founder and President of Highland Capital. Formerly, Mr. Dondero served as Chief Investment Officer of Protective Life's GIC subsidiary and helped grow the business from concept to over \$2 billion between 1989 to 1993. His portfolio management experience includes mortgage-backed securities, investment-grade corporates, leveraged bank loans, emerging markets, derivatives, preferred stocks and common stocks. From 1985 to 1989, he managed approximately \$1 billion in fixed income funds for American Express. Prior to joining American Express, he completed the financial training at Morgan Guaranty Trust Company. Mr. Dondero is a Beta Gamma Sigma graduate of the University of Virginia, 1984 with degrees in Accounting and Finance. Mr. Dondero is a Certified Public Accountant, Chartered Financial Analyst and a Certified Management Accountant.

#### ***Mark Okada, CFA – Managing Partner, Chief Investment Officer***

Mr. Okada is a Founder and Chief Investment Officer of Highland Capital. He is responsible for overseeing Highland Capital's investment and servicing activities for its various funds and has over 19 years of experience in the leveraged finance market. Formerly, Mr. Okada served as Manager of Fixed Income for Protective Life's GIC subsidiary from 1990 to 1993. He was primarily responsible for the bank loan portfolio and other risk assets. Protective was one of the first non-bank entrants into the syndicated loan market. From 1986 to 1990, he served as Vice President for Hibernia National Bank, managing over \$1 billion of high yield bank loans. Mr. Okada is an honors graduate of the University of California Los Angeles with degrees in Economics and Psychology. He completed his credit training at Mitsui and is a Chartered Financial Analyst. Mr. Okada is also Chairman of the Board of Directors of Common Grace Ministries Inc.

#### ***Todd Travers, CFA – Head of Structured Products, Senior Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Travers is responsible for Highland Capital's CDO business and is the primary portfolio manager for Highland Capital's par debt funds. He is a member of the Credit Committee and heads a team that is responsible for structuring new transactions and implementing additional opportunities in Highland Capital's core businesses. Formerly, Mr. Travers served as Portfolio Manager/Portfolio Analyst from 1994 to 1998 for Highland Capital. In 1999, he was promoted to Senior Portfolio Manager and his duties were expanded beyond sector portfolio management to include the origination, structuring and issuance of new structured vehicles, including all structured vehicles since Highland Loan Funding V Ltd. and Restoration Funding Ltd. His prior responsibilities included managing a portion of Highland Capital's leveraged loan and high yield debt portfolios with an emphasis on technology and aviation transactions. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Travers was a Finance Manager at American Airlines. Mr. Travers is a graduate of Iowa State University with a BS in Industrial Engineering. He received his MBA with an emphasis in Finance from Southern Methodist University. Mr. Travers is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

## Traders

### ***Brad Borud – Senior Trader and Co-Director Portfolio Management***

Mr. Borud is a Senior Trader of leveraged loans and high yield bonds. Prior to his current duties, Mr. Borud served as a Portfolio Analyst for Highland Capital from 1996 to 1998. From 1998 to 2003, Mr. Borud was a Portfolio Manager covering a wide range of industries, including Wireline Telecommunications, Wireless Telecommunications, Telecommunication Equipment Manufacturers, Multi-channel Video, and Media. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Borud worked as a Global Finance Analyst in the Corporate Finance Group at NationsBank from 1995 to 1996 where he was involved in the originating, structuring, modeling, and credit analysis of leveraged transactions for large corporate accounts in the Southwest portion of the United States. During 1994, Mr. Borud also served at Conseco Capital Management as an Analyst Intern in the Fixed Income Research Department following the Transportation and Energy sectors. He has a BS in Business Finance from Indiana University.

### ***Paul Kauffman, CFA, CPA – Senior Trader and Co-Director of Portfolio Management***

Mr. Kauffman is a Senior Trader for loan and high yield credit products. He joined Highland Capital in 1998 as a Portfolio Analyst and was a Portfolio Manager prior to moving into his current role. At Highland Capital, Paul has followed a variety of industries, including Paper & Packaging, General Industrials, Metals, and the Automotive sector. Prior to Highland Capital, Mr. Kauffman spent four years in the public accounting industry, including two and a half years at KPMG Peat Marwick. At KPMG, Mr. Kauffman gained audit experience in a wide range of industries, with particular focus on the Energy and Cable industries. He was the Supervising Senior Accountant on one of the Dallas offices' largest clients. He received a BBA in Accounting from Baylor University and an MBA from Duke University. Mr. Kauffman is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

## Senior Portfolio Managers

### ***Patrick H. Daugherty – Senior Distressed Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Daugherty is a Senior Portfolio Manager and General Counsel at Highland Capital. He is co-head of the Distressed Group where he is responsible for managing the sourcing, investing, and monitoring process. In addition, he serves as head manager of the Private Equity Group and is responsible for all portfolio companies. Prior to joining Highland Capital in early 1998, Mr. Daugherty served as Vice President in the Corporate Finance Group at NationsBanc Capital Markets, Inc. (now Bank of America Capital Markets, Inc.) where he originated and structured leveraged transactions for a \$2.5 billion portfolio of mid-cap companies located in the Southwest. Prior to joining Bank of America, Mr. Daugherty was an Associate with the law firm of Baker, Brown, Sharman and Parker in Houston, Texas where he represented banks and financial institutions in the liquidation of various RTC portfolios. Mr. Daugherty has over 15 years of experience in distressed, high yield and corporate restructuring. He has been involved in over 100 bankruptcy situations and held steering committee positions in over 35 cases. Mr. Daugherty currently serves on the Board of Directors of Norse Merchant Group and its affiliates, Ferrimorac Holdings Limited, Nexpak Corporation and its affiliates (as Chairman), Moll Industries and its affiliates (as Chairman), and is a former board member of Mariner Health Care, Inc. He received a BBA in Finance from The University of Texas at Austin and a Juris Doctorate from The University of Houston School of Law. Mr. Daugherty's professional certifications include membership in the Texas Bar Association and admittance to the American Bar Association in 1992.

### ***John Morgan, CFA – Senior Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Morgan is a Senior Portfolio Manager covering the Retail, Food & Drug, and Restaurant & Lodging sectors. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Morgan served as Portfolio Analyst for Falcon Fund Management, LTD from August 1995-February 2000. There he created comparables to assess the attractiveness of companies within industries and across the portfolio. He assisted the portfolio manager

in the security selection process and management of the portfolio. Prior to Falcon, he was an Analyst for a Convertible Arbitrage Fund at Q Investments. His primary responsibility included analyzing financial statements and related corporate disclosures and performing analysis on potential investment opportunities. He received both a BS in Biological Sciences and an MBA from Southern Methodist University.

**Kurtis S. Plumer, CFA – Senior Distressed Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Plumer is co-head of the Distressed Group at Highland Capital and is responsible for managing the sourcing and monitoring process. He has over 14 years of experience in distressed, high yield bond and leveraged loan products. Prior to joining Highland Capital in 1999, Mr. Plumer was a distressed high yield bond trader at Lehman Brothers in New York, where he managed a \$250 million portfolio invested in global distressed securities. While at Lehman, he also traded emerging market sovereign bonds. Prior to joining Lehman Brothers, Mr. Plumer was a corporate finance banker at NationsBanc Capital Markets, Inc. (now Bank of America Capital Markets, Inc.) where he focused on M&A and financing transactions for the bank's clients. Mr. Plumer earned a BBA in Economics and Finance from Baylor University and an MBA in Strategy and Finance from the Kellogg School at Northwestern University. Mr. Plumer is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

**David Walls, CFA – Senior Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Walls is a Senior Portfolio Manager with oversight of the Cable, Wireless/Wireline Telecom, Satellite, Aerospace/Defense and Equipment Rental sectors. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Walls worked for Lend Lease Real Estate Investments as an Associate in their Asset Management unit underwriting and structuring acquisitions of bulk portfolios of distressed Korean real estate and corporate debt. Before his international responsibilities at Lend Lease, Mr. Walls performed loan workouts on a domestic portfolio of sub- and non-performing real estate secured assets. Prior to Lend Lease, Mr. Walls worked at U.S. Trust Company of California as an Assistant Vice President, Junior Portfolio Manager in their Fixed Income Portfolio Management group and for Capital Research & Management Company as a fixed income trader. He holds a BA in Economics from Northwestern University and an MBA in Finance and Marketing from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University. Mr. Walls is a member of AIMR and DAIA. Mr. Walls is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

**Joe Dougherty, CFA, CPA – Senior Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Dougherty is a Senior Portfolio Manager. Additionally, Mr. Dougherty heads Highland Capital's retail funds business unit ("Highland Funds") and serves as Senior Vice President and Director of the Firm's two NYSE-listed bond funds, which invest in both investment grade and high yield debt. Additionally, Mr. Dougherty serves as Senior Vice President and Director of the Firm's two 1940 Act Registered floating rate funds, which primarily invest in senior secured floating rate loans. In this capacity, Mr. Dougherty oversees investment decisions for the retail funds, alongside several other Portfolio Managers, and manages the team dedicated to their day-to-day administration. Prior to his current duties, Mr. Dougherty served as Portfolio Analyst for Highland from 1998 to 1999. As a Portfolio Analyst, Mr. Dougherty also helped follow companies within the Chemical, Retail, Supermarket and Restaurant sectors. Prior to joining Highland, Mr. Dougherty served as an Investment Analyst with Sandera Capital Management from 1997 to 1998. Formerly, he was a Business Development Manager at Akzo Nobel from 1994 to 1996 and a Senior Accountant at Deloitte & Touche, LLP from 1992 to 1994. He received a BS in Accounting from Villanova University and an MBA from Southern Methodist University. Mr. Dougherty is a Chartered Financial Analyst and a Certified Public Accountant.



***Brett Pope, CFA – Senior Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Pope is a Senior Portfolio Manager covering the Healthcare, Financial Services, Building Products, and Metals & Mining sectors. Prior to joining Highland, Mr. Pope served as a Senior Equities Analyst in Healthcare at Street Advisor.com from 1999 to 2001. His experience also includes working as a Senior Research Analyst covering the Building Products and Financial Service sectors at Southwest Securities from 1996 to 1999. Prior to 1996, he served as a Senior Financial Analyst with Associates First Capital Corporation. Mr. Pope is a graduate of the University of Texas at Austin where he graduated Magna Cum Laude. Mr. Pope is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Servicer—The Issuer Will Depend on the Managerial Expertise Available to the Servicer and Its Key Personnel.”

**THE SERVICING AGREEMENT**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Servicing Agreement. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the Servicing Agreement.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, and in accordance with the requirements set forth in the Indenture, the Servicer will select the portfolio of Collateral Obligations and will instruct the Trustee with respect to any acquisition, disposition or sale of a Collateral Obligation or an Eligible Investment. Neither the Placement Agents or any Affiliate thereof will select any of the Collateral Obligations.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will monitor the Collateral Obligations and provide the Issuer with certain information received from the Collateral Administrator with respect to the composition and characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, any disposition or tender of a Collateral Obligation, the application of the proceeds of any such disposition to the purchase of Eligible Investments and with respect to the retention of the proceeds of any such disposition or the application thereof toward the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations. The Servicer will, and will be authorized to, negotiate, on behalf of the Issuer, with respect to all actions to be taken by the Issuer under any Hedge Agreements.

As compensation for the performance of its obligations as Servicer, the Servicer will be entitled to receive:

- (i) a fee (the “**Senior Servicing Fee**”) that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.30% per annum of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments (with the Senior Servicing Fee being calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months);
- (ii) an amount (the “**Subordinated Servicing Fee**”) payable on each Payment Date equal to the sum of (a) a fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.25% per annum of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments, (b) on any Payment Date that any part of the Senior Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period *plus* 3.00% per annum and (c) on any Payment Date that any part of the Subordinated Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period *plus* 3.00% per annum (with the portion of the Subordinated Servicing Fee or Senior Servicing Fee, as applicable, in clauses (a) through (c) above, as applicable, being calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months); and

- (iii) a fee (the “**Supplemental Servicing Fee**” and together with the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee, the “**Servicing Fee**”), if any, payable on each Payment Date to the Servicer in an amount equal to: (i) 20% of the remaining Interest Proceeds, if any, available after making the distributions on such Payment Date pursuant to clause (22) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” and (ii) 20% of the remaining Principal Proceeds, if any, available for payment in respect of the Supplemental Servicing Fee pursuant to clause (11)(A) and, if applicable, clause (14), in each case pursuant to “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

On each Payment Date, as and to the extent described under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments,” the Trustee will deposit the Class II Preference Share Portion of the Servicing Fees into the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account. The Servicer has agreed to waive such amounts, which would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as Servicing Fees, on each Payment Date during the first two years following the Closing Date and an amount equal to such waived amounts will be paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. After the two-year anniversary of the Closing Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive the Class II Preference Share Portion of its Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Issuer as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments as described above. See “Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account.”

In addition, notwithstanding anything set out above, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion: (i) waive all or any portion of the Servicing Fee, any funds representing the waived Servicing Fees to be retained in the Collection Account for distribution as either Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds (as determined by the Servicer) pursuant to the Priority of Payments; or (ii) defer all or any portion of the Servicing Fee, any funds representing the deferred Servicing Fees to be retained in the Collection Account, when they will become payable in the same manner and priority as their original characterization would have required unless deferred again.

The Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, and its Affiliates and their directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, shall not be liable to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person for any losses, claims, damages, judgments, assessments, costs or other liabilities (collectively “**Liabilities**”) incurred by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person that arise out of or in connection with the performance by the Servicer of its duties under the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture, except by reason of (i) acts or omissions constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, gross negligence or breach of fiduciary duty in the performance, or reckless disregard, of the obligations of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and under the terms of the Indenture applicable to it or (ii) with respect to any information included in this Offering Memorandum in the sections entitled “The Servicer” and “Risk Factors—Certain Conflicts of Interest—Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer” that contains any untrue statement of material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) collectively being the “**Servicer Breaches**”). The Servicer will be liable for any non-waivable breaches of applicable securities laws.

The Issuer will indemnify and hold harmless the Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees (such parties collectively in such case, the “**Indemnified Parties**”) from and against any and all Liabilities, and shall reimburse each such Indemnified Party for all reasonable fees and expenses (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) (collectively, the “**Expenses**”) as such

Expenses are incurred in investigating, preparing, pursuing or defending any claim, action, proceeding or investigation with respect to any pending or threatened litigation (collectively, the “**Actions**”), caused by, or arising out of or in connection with, the issuance of the Securities, the transactions contemplated by the Offering Memorandum, the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement, and/or any action taken by, or any failure to act by, such Indemnified Party; *provided, however*, that no Indemnified Party shall be indemnified for any Liabilities or Expenses it incurs as a result of any acts or omissions by any Indemnified Party constituting Servicer Breaches. Any such indemnification by the Issuer will be paid in accordance with, and subject to, the Priority of Payments.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will agree that on the Closing Date (i) the Servicer and its Affiliates will purchase Class E Notes having an aggregate principal amount equal to U.S.\$31,500,000 and (ii) the Servicer and its Affiliates (other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries) will purchase from Investors Corp. Holding Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$21,000,000.

The Issuer may, at the request of the Servicer, enter into an amendment or modification of the Servicing Agreement from time to time, without the consent of the Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not the interests of the Holders of the Securities are adversely affected thereby; *provided that*, with respect to any such amendment or modification, (a) a Rating Condition is satisfied and (b) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares have not objected in writing to such amendment or modification prior to the relevant Objection Cut-Off Date (as defined below).

If at any time the Servicer desires to amend or modify the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will notify the Issuer and the Trustee, providing details of such proposed amendment or modification. Not later than five Business Days after receipt of such notice, the Trustee will mail such notice to (i) each Noteholder at such Holder’s address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as applicable, (ii) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), (iii) to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares) and (iv) to each Rating Agency. If any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes or any Holder of the Preference Shares notifies, by delivering a written notice to the Trustee within 35 days after the Trustee has mailed such notice, that it objects to such proposed amendment or modification, the Trustee will, within two Business Days after receiving such notice of objection, mail a notice of the receipt of such objection to the Issuer, the Servicer and other Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and other Holders of the Preference Shares. Each Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes and each Holder of the Preference Shares that also wishes to object to such amendment or modification must, by delivering a written notice, so notify the Trustee within seven Business Days after the Trustee has mailed such notice of the receipt of such objection (the last day of such seven Business Day period, the “**Objection Cut-Off Date**”). If a Majority of either the Controlling Class of Notes or the Preference Shares notifies the Trustee in writing on or before the Objection Cut-Off Date that they object to the proposed amendment or modification to the Servicing Agreement, such amendment or modification will not be made.

The Servicing Agreement provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Servicer such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Servicer, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm’s length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the Advisers Act. The Servicing Agreement also provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Servicer, on terms no

less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Advisers Act.

Subject to the provisions for a successor servicer discussed below, the Servicer may resign, upon 90 days' written notice to the Issuer (or such shorter notice as is acceptable to the Issuer).

The Servicing Agreement will be terminated, and the Servicer will be removed, by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee (acting at the direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes)) or by a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares, in each case for "cause" upon 10 days' prior written notice to the Servicer and upon written notice to the Holders of the Securities as set forth below. For purposes of determining "cause" with respect to any such termination of the Servicing Agreement, such term shall mean any one of the following events:

(i) the Servicer willfully breaches in any respect, or takes any action that it knows violates in any respect, any provision of the Servicing Agreement or any terms of the Indenture applicable to it;

(ii) the Servicer breaches in any material respect any provision of the Servicing Agreement or any terms of the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement applicable to it, or any representation, warranty, certification or statement given in writing by the Servicer shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or given, and the Servicer fails to cure such breach or take such action so that the facts (after giving effect to such action) conform in all material respects to such representation, warranty, certificate or statement, in each case within 30 days of becoming aware of, or receiving notice from, the Trustee of, such breach or materially incorrect representation, warranty, certificate or statement;

(iii) certain events of bankruptcy or insolvency occur with respect to the Collateral;

(iv) the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture that results from any breach by the Servicer of its duties under the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement, which breach or default is not cured within any applicable cure period; or

(v) (x) the occurrence of an act by the Servicer related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business that constitutes fraud, (y) the Servicer being indicted, or any of its principals being convicted, of a felony criminal offense related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business or (z) the Servicer being indicted for, adjudged liable in a civil suit for, or convicted of a violation of the Securities Act or any other United States Federal securities law or any rules or regulations thereunder.

No removal, termination or resignation of the Servicer will be effective under the Servicing Agreement unless (i) at the written direction of a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares, the Issuer appoints a successor servicer and such successor servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture and (ii) the successor servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single Class); *provided that* if a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares has nominated two or more successor servicers that have been objected to pursuant to clause (ii) of the preceding sentence or has otherwise failed to appoint a successor servicer that is not objected to pursuant to clause (ii) of the preceding sentence within 60 days of the date of notice of such removal, termination or resignation of the Servicer, then any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) or the Trustee may petition a court of competent authority to appoint a successor servicer. In addition, any successor servicer must be an established institution which (i) has demonstrated an ability to professionally and competently perform duties similar to those imposed upon the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, (ii) is legally qualified and has the capacity to act as Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, as successor to the Servicer under

the Servicing Agreement in the assumption of all of the responsibilities, duties and obligations of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and under the applicable terms of the Indenture, (iii) shall not cause the Issuer or the pool of Collateral to become required to register under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, (iv) shall perform its duties as successor servicer under the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture without causing the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Holder of Preference Shares to become subject to tax in any jurisdiction where such successor servicer is established as doing business and (v) each Rating Agency has confirmed that the appointment of such successor servicer shall not cause its then-current rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn. No compensation payable to a successor from payments on the Collateral shall be greater than that paid to the Servicer without the prior written consent of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes, a Majority of the Notes and a Majority of the Preference Shares.

The Servicing Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, cannot be delegated by the Servicer, in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and, notwithstanding any such consent, no delegation of obligations or duties by the Servicer (including, without limitation, to an entity described above) shall relieve the Servicer from any liability under the Servicing Agreement.

## THE CO-ISSUERS

### General

The Issuer was incorporated as an exempted limited liability company on January 24, 2006 in the Cayman Islands under registration number OG-160919. The registered office of the Issuer is at the offices of Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited, P.O. Box 1234, Queensgate House, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands. The Issuer's telephone number is (345) 945-6264. The Issuer has no prior operating experience (other than in connection with the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations during the Accumulation Period) and will not have any material assets other than (i) the Collateral pledged to secure the Secured Obligations, and (ii) \$500 (of which \$250 represents the Issuer's ordinary share capital and \$250 represents a fee for issuing the Securities).

The Co-Issuer was incorporated on February 14, 2006 in the State of Delaware under registration number 4109739 as a corporation and has a perpetual existence. The registered office of the Co-Issuer is at c/o National Corporate Research, Ltd., 615 South DuPont Highway, Dover, Delaware, 19901. The Co-Issuer's telephone number is (302) 738-6680. The Co-Issuer has no prior operating history and will not have any material assets.

The Senior Notes are limited recourse obligations of the Co-Issuers. The Class E Notes are limited recourse obligations of the Issuer and the Preference Shares are equity interests only in the Issuer. The Securities are not obligations of the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Servicer, the Placement Agents, the Administrator, the Holders of the Preference Shares, Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited, as the share trustee (in such capacity, the "**Share Trustee**"), or any directors or officers of the Co-Issuers or any of their respective Affiliates.

At the Closing Date, the authorized share capital of the Issuer consists of 250 ordinary shares, U.S.\$1.00 par value per share (the "**Issuer Ordinary Shares**"), all of which will have been issued prior to the Closing Date, and 100,000 Preference Shares, U.S.\$0.01 par value per share, 81,000 of which will be issued on or about the Closing Date. The authorized common stock of the Co-Issuer consists of 1,000 shares of common stock, U.S.\$ 0.01 par value (the "**Co-Issuer Common Stock**"), all of which shares will be issued on or about the Closing Date. All of the outstanding Issuer Ordinary Shares and all of the Co-Issuer Common Stock will be held by the Share Trustee. For so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding, no transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares or Co-Issuer Common Stock to a U.S. Person shall be registered.

## Investors Corp.

On the Closing Date, Red River Investors Corp. (“**Investors Corp.**”), an exempted limited liability corporation incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands, is expected to purchase all of the Class I Preference Shares and to finance such purchase by issuing preference shares (the “**Holding Preference Shares**”) in a number equal to the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares purchased by it. The Holding Preference Shares will be offered by Investors Corp. to investors pursuant to the Investors Corp. Offering Memorandum and are not offered hereby. In case of any transfer of Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to Investors Corp., Investors Corp. is expected to purchase all of such Class II Preference Shares redesignated as Class I Preference Shares and finance such purchase by issuing additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of such Class I Preference Shares purchased by it.

Investors Corp. will exercise its consent and voting rights, in its capacity as a Holder of the Class I Preference Shares, in accordance with the directions of the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares; *provided* that Holding Preference Shares held by the Servicer or any of its Affiliates will have no such right to direct Investors Corp. in connection with the removal of the Servicer for “cause” or the appointment of a replacement servicer. For purposes of calculating such consents or votes exercised with respect to the Class I Preference Shares held by Investors Corp., each consent or vote exercised with respect to a Holding Preference Share will count as one consent or vote exercised with respect to a Class I Preference Share held by Investors Corp., as applicable.

## Capitalization

The initial proposed capitalization of the Issuer as of the Closing Date after giving effect to the initial issuance of the Securities and the Issuer Ordinary Shares (before deducting expenses of the offering) is as set forth below.

	<b>Amount (U.S.\$)</b>
Class A Notes.....	657,000,000
Class B Notes.....	45,000,000
Class C Notes.....	40,500,000
Class D Notes.....	45,000,000
Class E Notes.....	31,500,000
Total Notes.....	819,000,000
Class I Preference Shares.....	36,000,000
Class II Preference Shares.....	45,000,000
Issuer Ordinary Shares.....	250
Total Equity.....	81,000,250
Total Capitalization.....	900,000,250

The Co-Issuer will be capitalized only to the extent of its common equity of U.S.\$10, will have no assets other than its equity capital and will have no debt other than as Co-Issuer of the Senior Notes.

## Business

### *General*

The Issuer Charter provides that the objects for which the Issuer is established are limited and the Issuer may exercise the power contained in Section 226 of the Companies Law (2004 Revision). Article III of the Co-Issuer’s Certificate of Incorporation provides that the principal purpose of the Co-Issuer is the issuance of the Senior Notes and to engage in any activity and to exercise any powers permitted to corporations organized under Delaware Law, which are incidental to, or connected with, the foregoing and necessary, suitable or convenient to accomplish the foregoing.

*The Issuer*

The Indenture provides that the activities of the Issuer are limited to the following:

- (i) acquisition and disposition of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments;
- (ii) entering into, and performing its obligations under, the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents, any Hedge Agreements, the Securities Lending Agreements, the Servicing Agreement, the Placement Agency Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Administration Agreement;
- (iii) the issuance and sale of the Securities and the Issuer Ordinary Shares;
- (iv) the pledge of the Collateral as security for its obligations in respect of the Notes and any Hedge Agreements;
- (v) entering into certain pre-closing warehousing arrangements and the agreements relating thereto; and
- (vi) undertaking certain other activities incidental to the foregoing.

*The Co-Issuer*

The activities of the Co-Issuer are to be limited to the following:

- (i) the co-issuance and sale of the Senior Notes; and
- (ii) to engage in any activity and to exercise any powers permitted to corporations organized under Delaware Law, which are incidental to, or connected with, the foregoing and necessary, suitable or convenient to accomplish the foregoing.

**Administration**

Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited (in such capacity, the “**Administrator**”), a Cayman Islands company, will act as the administrator of the Issuer, the Share Registrar and the Share Trustee. The office of the Administrator will serve as the principal office of the Issuer. Through this office and pursuant to the terms of an agreement by and between the Administrator and the Issuer (as amended, supplemented and modified from time to time) (the “**Administration Agreement**”), the Administrator will perform various administrative functions on behalf of the Issuer, including the provision of certain clerical and other services including acting as Share Registrar until termination of the Administration Agreement. In consideration of the foregoing, the Administrator will receive various fees and reimbursement of its expenses. Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited will also act as the administrator of Investors Corp. and the registrar and the trustee of the Holding Preference Shares.

The activities of the Administrator under the Administration Agreement will be subject to the overview of the Issuer’s Board of Directors. The Administration Agreement may be terminated by the Issuer upon 14 days’ written notice following the happening of certain events or upon 90 days’ written notice in all other cases. Upon the earlier of the termination of the Administration Agreement or the dissolution of the Issuer, the Administrator shall cease to serve in such capacity.

The Administrator’s principal office is at P.O. Box 1234, Queensgate House, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands.

**Directors**

The Issuer will have three directors, each of whom will initially be an employee or officer of the Administrator or an Affiliate of the Administrator.

The initial directors of the Issuer, who are also the directors of Investors Corp., are Scott Dakers, Evan Burton and Vijayabalan Murugesu. Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may vote at any time to remove all (but not less than all) of the initial directors and appoint other directors who may be employees, officers or designees of the Servicer.

Directors of the Issuer may serve as directors of, and provide services to, other special purpose entities that issue collateralized obligations and perform other duties for the Administrator and the Servicer, as the case may be. They may be contacted at the address of the Administrator.

The director of the Co-Issuer is Donald Puglisi. Mr. Puglisi is also the President, Secretary and Treasurer of the Co-Issuer. Mr. Puglisi is a Professor of Finance at the University of Delaware. Mr. Puglisi serves as a director of, and provides services to, a number of special purpose entities. He may be contacted at the address of the Co-Issuer.

## **THE LOAN MARKET**

A substantial portion, by principal amount, of the Collateral Obligations is expected to consist of corporate loans rated below investment grade extended to U.S. and other non-U.S. borrowers. Such loans are typically negotiated by one or more commercial banks or other financial institutions and syndicated among a group of commercial banks and financial institutions.

Corporate loans are typically at the most senior level of the capital structure, and are often secured by specific collateral, including but not limited to, trademarks, patents, accounts receivable, inventory, equipment, buildings, real estate, franchises and common and preferred stock of the obligor and its subsidiaries. Some loans may be unsecured, subordinated to other obligations of the obligor and may have greater credit and liquidity risk than is typically associated with senior secured corporate loans. The corporate loans expected to secure the Notes are of a type generally incurred by the borrowers thereunder in connection with a highly leveraged transaction, often to finance internal growth, acquisitions, mergers, stock purchases, or for other reasons. As a result of the additional debt incurred by the borrower in the course of the transactions, the borrower's creditworthiness is often judged by the rating agencies to be below investment grade. In order to induce the banks and institutional investors to lend pursuant to a borrower's loan facility, and to offer a favorable interest rate, the borrower often provides the banks and institutional investors with extensive information about its business, which is not generally available to the public. Because of the provision of confidential information, the unique and customized nature of a loan agreement, and the private syndication of the loan, loans are not as easily purchased or sold as a publicly traded security, and historically the trading volume in the loan market has been small relative to the high yield bond market.

Corporate loans often provide for restrictive covenants designed to limit the activities of the borrower in an effort to protect the right of lenders to receive timely payments of interest on and repayment of principal of the loans. Such covenants may include restrictions on dividend payments, specific mandatory minimum financial ratios, limits on total debt and other financial tests. A breach of covenant (after giving effect to any cure period) in a loan that is not waived by the lending syndicate normally is an event of acceleration that allows the syndicate to demand immediate repayment in full of the outstanding loan. Loans usually have shorter terms than more junior obligations and may require mandatory prepayments from excess cash flow, asset dispositions and offerings of debt and/or equity securities.

The majority of loans bear interest based on a floating rate index, e.g., LIBOR, the certificate of deposit rate, a prime or base rate (each as defined in the applicable loan agreement) or other index, which may reset daily (as most prime or base rate indices do) or offer the borrower a choice of one, two, three, six, nine or twelve month interest rate and rate reset periods. The purchaser of a loan may receive certain syndication or participation fees in connection with its purchase. Other fees payable in respect of a loan, which are separate from interest payments on such loan, may include facility, commitment, amendment and prepayment fees.



Purchasers of loans are predominantly investment and commercial banks, which have applied their experience in high yield securities to the commercial and industrial loan market, acting as both principal and broker. The range of purchasers of loans has broadened to include money managers, insurance companies, arbitrageurs, bankruptcy investors and mutual funds seeking increased potential total returns and portfolio managers of trusts or special purpose companies issuing collateralized bond and loan obligations. As secondary market trading volumes increase, new loans are frequently adopting more standardized documentation to facilitate loan trading that should improve market liquidity. There can be no assurance, however, that future levels of supply and demand in loan trading will provide the degree of liquidity that currently exists in the market.

## **PREVENTION OF MONEY LAUNDERING**

To ensure compliance with applicable statutory requirements relating to anti-money laundering and anti-terrorism initiatives, the Share Registrar, on behalf of the Issuer, will require verification of identity and source of funds from all prospective purchasers of the Preference Shares. Depending on the circumstances of each purchase, it may not always be necessary to obtain full documentary evidence of identity and/or source of funds where:

1. The purchaser is a licensed entity or financial institution regulated in a country recognized as having an adequate anti-money laundering regime<sup>1</sup>;
2. The purchaser is an entity or financial institution listed on the Cayman Islands or other approved stock exchange<sup>2</sup>; or
3. The funds have been paid from an account held in the name of the purchaser at a financial institution based in a country recognized as having an adequate anti-money laundering regime.

## **THE HIGH YIELD DEBT SECURITIES MARKET**

A portion of the Collateral Obligations securing the Notes will consist of high yield debt securities rated below investment grade and Synthetic Securities, the Reference Obligations of which are high yield debt securities rated below investment grade. High yield debt securities are generally unsecured, may be subordinated to other obligations of the obligor and generally have greater credit and liquidity risk than is typically associated with investment grade corporate obligations. The lower rating of high yield debt securities reflects a greater possibility that adverse changes in the financial condition of the obligor or in general economic conditions (including a sustained period of rising interest rates or an economic downturn) may adversely affect the obligor's ability to pay principal and interest on its debt. Many issuers of high yield debt obligations are highly leveraged, and specific developments affecting such issuers, including reduced cash flow from operations or inability to refinance at maturity, may also adversely affect such issuers' ability to meet their debt service obligations.

High yield debt securities are often issued in connection with leveraged acquisitions or recapitalizations in which the issuers incur a substantially higher amount of indebtedness than the level at which they had previously operated. High yield debt securities have historically experienced greater default rates than has been the case for investment grade securities. Although several studies have been made of historical default rates in the high yield market, such studies do not necessarily provide a basis for drawing definitive conclusions with respect to default rates and, in any event, do not necessarily provide a basis for predicting future default rates.

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<sup>1</sup> The list of acceptable countries is: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bahamas, Bahrain, Barbados, Belgium, Bermuda, Brazil, British Virgin Islands, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Gibraltar, Greece, Guernsey, Hong Kong, Iceland, Ireland, Isle of Man, Israel, Italy, Japan, Jersey, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Malta, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Panama, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom and United States of America.

<sup>2</sup> A list of approved Stock Exchanges can be found under Appendix H of the Cayman Islands Money Laundering Regulations (as amended) which may be accessed on the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority website at [www.cimoney.com.ky](http://www.cimoney.com.ky).

## MATERIAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

### General

The following summary describes the principal U.S. federal income tax and Cayman Islands tax consequences that are expected to be applicable to the purchase, ownership and disposition of the Notes, but does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all the tax considerations that may be relevant to a decision to purchase the Notes. In particular, special tax considerations that may apply to certain types of taxpayers, including, without limitation, securities dealers, banks, financial institutions, partnerships, insurance companies, purchasers of Notes who did not acquire the Notes at the applicable “issue price” (defined below), and subsequent purchasers of the Notes, are not addressed. In addition, this summary does not describe any tax consequences resulting from or relating to the Preference Shares or any tax consequences arising under the laws of any state, locality or taxing jurisdiction other than the U.S. federal government and the Cayman Islands. In general, the summary assumes that a purchaser acquires a Note at original issuance and holds such Note as a capital asset and not as part of a hedge, straddle, or conversion transaction, within the meaning of section 1258 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”).

This summary is based on the U.S. and Cayman Islands tax laws, regulations, rulings and decisions in effect on the date of this Offering Memorandum. All of the foregoing are subject to change, which change may apply retroactively and could affect the continued validity of this summary.

Prospective purchasers of the Notes should note that no ruling from the Internal Revenue Service (the “IRS”) will be sought with respect to any tax matters discussed herein, and there can be no assurance that the IRS will agree with such statement and conclusions. Prospective purchasers of the Notes should consult their tax advisors as to U.S. federal income tax and Cayman Islands tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of the Notes and the possible application of state, local, foreign or other tax laws.

As used in this section, “Material Income Tax Considerations,” the term “**U.S. Holder**” means a beneficial owner of a Note who is a citizen or individual resident of the United States, a corporation (or any other entity treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes) created or organized in or under the laws of the United States, or an estate or trust (other than a “foreign estate” or a “foreign trust,” each as defined in the Code).

If a partnership (including any entity treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes) is a beneficial owner of the Notes, the U.S. federal income tax treatment of a partner in the partnership will generally depend on the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership.

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### U.S. Federal Income Taxation of the Issuer

*U.S. Federal Income Tax.* Although the Issuer will elect to be treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, there can be no assurance that it will not be treated as or become a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes. If the Issuer is treated as a partnership, the Issuer will not itself be

subject to U.S. federal income tax. The following discussion assumes that the Issuer will be treated as a partnership of U.S. federal income tax purposes at all times.

Section 864(b)(2) of the Code provides a specific exemption from U.S. federal income tax to non-U.S. persons which either (i) trade stocks or securities through a resident broker, commission agent, custodian or other independent agent or (ii) restrict their activities in the United States to trading in stocks and securities (and any other activity closely related thereto) for their own account, whether such trading (or such other activity) is by such person or its employees or through a resident broker, commission agent, custodian or other agent. This particular exemption described in clause (ii) above does not apply to foreign persons that are dealers in stocks and securities. Moreover, the Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service recently announced that they are considering taxpayer requests for specific guidance on, among other things, whether a foreign person may be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States by virtue of entering into credit default swaps. However, the Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service have not yet provided any guidance on whether they believe entering into credit default swaps may cause a foreign person to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States and if so, what facts and circumstances must be present for this conclusion to apply. If any future guidance concludes that foreign persons entering into certain credit default swaps will be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States, such guidance may adversely impact the Issuer.

Prior to the issuance of the Securities, the Issuer will receive an opinion from Latham & Watkins LLP (“**Tax Counsel**”) based, in part, on the exemption described in the preceding paragraph to the effect that, although no activity closely comparable to that contemplated by the Issuer has been the subject of any Treasury regulation, revenue ruling or judicial decision and the matter is not free from doubt, assuming compliance with the Issuer’s Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement and other related documents (collectively, the “**Documents**”) by all parties thereto, the Issuer’s permitted activities will not cause it to be treated as engaged in the conduct of a U.S. trade or business under the Code. Investors should note that gain or loss on a disposition by a foreign person of a United States real property interest may be subject to United States federal income tax even if the foreign person is otherwise not engaged in a U.S. trade or business. Because the determination of whether an asset constitutes a United States real property interest is made periodically, although the Issuer is prohibited from acquiring an asset that constitutes a United States real property interest, it is possible that an asset that was not a United States real property interest at the time such asset was acquired by the Issuer will become a United States real property interest after the asset is acquired. Because the Issuer may be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business solely with respect to such gain or loss, Tax Counsel’s opinion will not address the taxation of the Issuer with respect to such disposition. In addition, in interpreting and complying with the Documents, the Issuer and the Servicer are entitled to rely upon the advice and/or opinions of their selected counsel, and the opinion of Tax Counsel will assume that any such advice and/or opinions, other than advice given by Tax Counsel, are correct and complete. The opinion of Tax Counsel will be based on the Code, the Treasury regulations (final, temporary and proposed) thereunder, the existing authorities, and Tax Counsel’s interpretation thereof, all as in effect as of the date of such opinion, and on certain factual assumptions and representations as to the Issuer’s contemplated activities. The Issuer intends to conduct its business in accordance with the assumptions, representations and agreements upon which the opinion of Tax Counsel is based. However, opinions and advice of Tax Counsel or other counsel are not binding on the IRS. Accordingly, in the absence of authority on point, whether the Issuer is or will be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States or not is not entirely free from doubt, and there can be no assurance that positions contrary to those stated in the opinion of Tax Counsel or any other advice or opinion may not be asserted successfully by the IRS.

*U.S. Federal Withholding Taxes.* Generally, U.S. source interest income received by a foreign person not engaged in a trade or business within the United States is subject to U.S. withholding tax at the rate of 30% of the amount thereof. The Code provides an exception for interest that constitutes “portfolio interest,” which is exempt from withholding tax. The term “portfolio interest” is generally defined as interest paid with respect to debt issued after July 18, 1984 that meets the “registration” requirement, unless the interest constitutes a certain type of contingent interest or is paid to a 10% shareholder of the

payor, to a controlled foreign corporation (a “CFC”) related to the payor, or to a bank with respect to a loan entered into in the ordinary course of its business. For purposes of applying the 10% shareholder and related CFC rules, certain constructive ownership rules contained in the Code apply. The Issuer intends that all of the Collateral Obligations purchased that consist of obligations of U.S. issuers to the extent that they are treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes will either (i) pay interest qualifying as “portfolio interest” for which federal income withholding tax is not otherwise applicable or (ii) require the obligor to make “gross-up” payments to offset fully any such tax on any such payments. However, withholding tax may be imposed on certain payments received by the Issuer as a result of one or more non-U.S. persons’ ownership of Preference Shares. Furthermore, there can be no assurance that the Issuer will not become subject to such withholding without “gross-up” payments as a result of a change in or the adoption of a U.S. tax statute, or any change in or the issuance of a regulation or equivalent authority. Any such change, adoption or issuance may constitute a Withholding Tax Event. See “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

The Issuer may acquire certain types of Collateral Obligations not constituting debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes under the assumption that they are not subject to U.S. withholding tax despite the absence of clear authority that withholding tax is not payable.

Any commitment fees and any lending fees received under a Securities Lending Agreement or similar fees or other items of income (other than interest) received by the Issuer may be subject to U.S. withholding tax. However, the Issuer does not anticipate that it will derive material amounts of any such commitment fees and lending fees or similar fees or other items of income that would be subject to U.S. withholding taxes.

The Issuer may also acquire Collateral Obligations that consist of obligations of non-U.S. issuers. Payments in respect of such Collateral Obligations may be or could become subject to foreign withholding tax. In this regard, the Issuer is not generally permitted to purchase any obligations, the payments on which are subject to withholding tax, unless the issuer of the obligation is required to make “gross-up” payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax.

## **U.S. Federal Income Taxation of U.S. Holders of Notes**

*Status of the Notes.* In the opinion of Tax Counsel, the Senior Notes issued on the Closing Date will be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The Issuer will treat, and each person acquiring an interest in a Note will be deemed to agree to treat, the Notes as debt. The opinion of Tax Counsel is based on current law and certain representations and assumptions and is not binding on the IRS or the courts, and no ruling will be sought from the IRS regarding this, or any other, aspect of the U.S. federal income tax treatment of the Notes. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the IRS will not contend, and that a court will not ultimately hold, that for U.S. federal income tax purposes one or more Classes of the Notes are properly treated as equity in the Issuer. In that case, there might be adverse U.S. federal income tax consequences to a U.S. Holder of Notes upon the sale, redemption, retirement or other disposition of, or the receipt of certain types of distributions on, the Notes. Except for the discussion under “United States Income Taxation of the Class E Notes if Characterized as Equity” below, the remainder of the discussion assumes that the Notes are properly characterized as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

*Maturity Extension and Extension Bonus Payment.* Because the Stated Maturity of the Notes may be extended if certain conditions are met, it is unclear whether the Notes should be treated as maturing on July 27, 2018 or August 1, 2034, or on a date between such dates. The Treasury regulations do not provide clear guidance on debt instruments with terms similar to the Notes. Absent further guidance, the Issuer intends to take the position that the Notes should be treated as maturing on July 27, 2018. If the Notes are extended, the Issuer intends to treat each Note, solely for purposes of sections 1272 and 1273 of the Code, as retired and reissued for an amount equal to the adjusted issue price on the date of the new Extension Effective Date. Prospective investors in the Notes should consult their tax advisors regarding whether the Notes should be treated as maturing on a different date and the tax consequences if the Notes have a different maturity date than that chosen by the Issuer.

If the Stated Maturity is extended, the extension of the Stated Maturity would be treated as a modification of the Notes if the Notes may be sold to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser that is related to the Issuer within the meaning of section 267(b) of the Code. If such extension constitutes a modification, there is a significant risk that U.S. Holders who continue to hold their Notes after such extension will be treated as having exchanged their Notes for new Notes (“**New Notes**”) in a deemed exchange for U.S. federal income tax purposes (a “**Deemed Exchange**”). Any such Deemed Exchange would be treated as a taxable exchange, resulting in gain or loss, if any. Furthermore, if the Notes are treated as exchanged for New Notes in a Deemed Exchange as a result of a Maturity Extension, whether the New Notes would be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes will depend on the facts and circumstances existing at the time of such Deemed Exchange. Tax Counsel is unable to opine on whether New Notes treated as received in a Deemed Exchange for the Notes will be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In the event of a Deemed Exchange, U.S. Holders are strongly urged to consult their tax advisors regarding the tax consequences of such Deemed Exchange.

The tax treatment of the Extension Bonus Payment is unclear. The Issuer intends to take the positions that the full amount of the Extension Bonus Payment should be taxable to U.S. Holders as ordinary income in accordance with their method of accounting and that neither the Extension Bonus Payment nor the Issuer’s options to extend the Stated Maturity should cause the Notes to be treated as subject to the rules applicable to “contingent payment debt instruments” under section 1.1275-4 of the Treasury regulation. U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisors regarding the taxation of the Extension Bonus Payment and the tax consequences of the Notes if they are treated as contingent payment debt instruments.

*Taxation of Interest Income.* Stated interest on the Notes that is considered “unconditionally payable” (as described below) will be includable in income by a U.S. Holder when received or accrued in accordance with such Holder’s method of tax accounting as ordinary interest income from sources outside the United States.

If the “issue price” of any Note is less than the “stated redemption price at maturity” (“**SRPM**”) of such Note, the excess of the SRPM over the issue price may constitute original issue discount (“**OID**”). Under a de minimis rule, if the excess of the SRPM of such Note over its issue price is less than one-fourth of one percent of the SRPM multiplied by the weighted average maturity (determined under applicable Treasury regulations) of such Note, such Note will not be treated as issued with OID. If any such Notes are issued at a greater than de minimis discount or are otherwise treated as having been issued with OID, the excess of the SRPM of such Notes over their issue price will constitute OID. Under the Code, a U.S. Holder of such Notes would be required to include the daily portions of OID, if any, in income as interest from sources outside the United States over the term of such Notes under a constant yield method that reflects the time value of money, regardless of such U.S. Holder’s method of tax accounting and without regard to the timing of actual payments.

The “issue price” of the Notes is the first price at which a substantial amount of the Notes are sold for money (excluding sales to bond houses, brokers or similar persons or organizations acting in the capacity of underwriters, placement agents or wholesalers). Treasury regulations provide, for purposes of determining whether a debt instrument is issued with OID, that stated interest must be included in the SRPM of a debt instrument if such interest is not “unconditionally payable” in money at least annually. Interest is considered “unconditionally payable” if reasonable legal remedies exist to compel timely payment or terms and conditions of the debt instrument make the likelihood of late payment (other than late payment that occurs within a reasonable grace period) or nonpayment (ignoring the possibility of nonpayment due to default, insolvency or similar circumstances) a remote contingency. Stated interest on the Class A Notes and Class B Notes will be “unconditionally payable” at least annually and thus will be included in income in accordance with a U.S. Holder’s method of accounting. Because interest on the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes may not be due and payable on any Payment Date to the extent that funds are not available on such Payment Date to pay the full amount of such interest or in order to satisfy certain Coverage Tests, the Issuer intends to take the position that payment of interest on the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes will not be viewed as

“unconditionally payable.” Assuming such treatment is respected, all interest payments on the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes would be required to be included in the SRPM of such Notes and, therefore, accrued by a U.S. Holder pursuant to these OID rules. Accordingly, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes would be subject to the OID rules whether or not they are issued at an issue price equal to their principal amount.

Because the Floating Rate Notes provide for a floating rate of interest, a U.S. Holder of Floating Rate Notes must include in income interest or OID, if any, on the Floating Rate Notes at the floating rate in effect for the first accrual period (assuming the Floating Rate Notes are issued without OID other than any “deemed” discount attributable to the accrual of interest). The amount of interest or OID actually recognized for any applicable period will increase (or decrease) if interest actually paid during the period is more (or less) than the amount accrued at the initial floating rate.

If the Notes of a Class are not issued at an issue price equal to their principal amount, in computing OID with respect to such Notes, the Issuer intends (absent definitive guidance) to determine the amount of OID to be included in income annually by U.S. Holders of such Notes under an income accrual method, prescribed by Section 1272(a)(6) of the Code, applicable to debt instruments payments under which may be accelerated by reason of prepayments of other obligations securing such debt instruments or a pool of debt instruments the yield on which may be affected by reason of prepayments, that uses an assumption as to the expected prepayments on the Notes. The application of section 1272(a)(6) of the Code to debt instruments with prepayment features similar to the Notes is uncertain, however, and may be challenged by the IRS. In the event that the IRS successfully challenged the Issuer’s characterization of such Notes as subject to section 1272(a)(6) of the Code, any such Notes might be treated as contingent payment debt instruments. Prospective investors should consult their tax advisors regarding the potential application of the method under section 1272(a)(6) of the Code and the rules governing contingent payment debt instruments for accruing any prospective OID on the Notes.

*Disposition of Notes.* In general, a U.S. Holder of a Note will have a basis in such Note equal to the cost of such Note to such Holder, increased by any amount includable in income by such Holder as OID and reduced by any payments of principal and interest on such Note, other than payments of stated interest that are not required to be included in the SRPM of such Note.

Upon the sale, exchange, retirement or other disposition of such Note, a U.S. Holder will recognize taxable gain or loss, if any, generally equal to the difference between the amount realized on the sale or other disposition (other than accrued stated interest that was not required to be included in the SRPM of such Note, which interest will be taxable as such) and such U.S. Holder’s adjusted tax basis in such Note. Any such gain or loss will generally be long-term capital gain or loss provided that such Note had been held for more than one year at the time of the sale or other disposition. In certain circumstances, U.S. Holders that are individuals may be entitled to preferential treatment for net long-term capital gains; however, the ability of U.S. Holders to offset capital losses against ordinary income is limited.

*United States Income Taxation of the Class E Notes if Characterized as Equity.* As discussed above, the Issuer will treat the Class E Notes as debt of the Issuer and the discussions above assume that the Class E Notes would be characterized as debt for United States federal income tax purposes. However, the United States federal income tax treatment of the Class E Notes is subject to significant uncertainty and no ruling from the IRS has been sought regarding this issue. Accordingly, there can be no assurances that the IRS will not contend, and that a court will not ultimately hold, that the Class E Notes are equity of the Issuer.

If the Class E Notes were treated as equity, a U.S. Holder of Class E Notes will generally be treated as a partner of the Issuer, and would be generally required to take into account such Holder’s allocable share of the Issuer’s items of income, gain, loss, deduction and credit for the taxable year of the Issuer ending within or with the taxable year of the U.S. Holder regardless of whether such Holder has received or will receive corresponding distributions from the Issuer. Investors are strongly urged to consult their tax advisors as to the possible characterization of the Class E Notes as equity, the tax consequences resulting from such characterization, and the advisability of filing an IRS Form 8865.

### **Tax Treatment of Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders of Notes**

U.S. Holders which are tax-exempt entities (“**Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders**”) will not be subject to the tax on unrelated business taxable income (“**UBTI**”) with respect to interest and capital gains income derived from an investment in the Notes. However, a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder that also acquires Preference Shares should consider whether interest it receives in respect of the Notes may be treated as UBTI under rules governing certain payments received from controlled entities.

Notwithstanding the discussion in the preceding paragraph, a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder which incurs “acquisition indebtedness” (as defined in Section 514(c) of the Code) with respect to the Notes may be subject to the tax on UBTI with respect to income from the Notes to the extent that the Notes constitute “debt-financed property” (as defined in Section 514(b) of the Code) of the Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder.

Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisors regarding an investment in the Notes.

### **Transfer Restrictions on the Class E Notes**

The Issuer will not recognize any transfer of Class E Notes if the proposed transfer will cause the Issuer to have more than ninety-nine beneficial owners (as determined for purposes of the provisions of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h)) of its Class E Notes and Preference Shares unless it receives the consent of all of the Holders of the Preference Shares and an opinion of counsel to the effect that Holders of the Notes will not recognize gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such transfer, and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such transfer had not been made. In addition, the Class E Notes may not be traded on an “established securities market,” and the Issuer will not recognize any transfers made pursuant to any such trades. For this purpose, the term “established securities market” includes any national securities exchange registered under Section 6 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or exempted from registration because of the limited volume of transaction; any foreign securities exchange that, under the laws of the jurisdiction where it is organized, satisfies regulatory requirements that are analogous to the regulatory requirements imposed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; any regional or local exchange; and any interdealer quotation system that regularly disseminates firm buy or sell quotations by identified brokers or dealers, by electronic means or otherwise.

Holders of the Class E Notes will not be permitted to transfer any of the Class E Notes they hold unless the transferee provides, among other things, the Trustee (1) appropriate documentation required under the Code and the applicable Treasury regulations establishing that the beneficial owner is either a non-U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-8BEN or an IRS Form W-8IMY with appropriate attachments) or a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-9), (2) if the beneficial owner is not a U.S. Holder, certification that (i) the beneficial owner either is not a bank or is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates U.S. federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States and (ii) the beneficial owner is not purchasing the Class E Notes in order to reduce its United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan, and (3) for a beneficial owner that is treated as a partnership, S-corporation or grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a written representation that (i) there will not be any interests in such beneficial owner where substantially all of the value of such interest is attributable to the value of the Class E Notes proposed to be transferred to such beneficial owner, together with the value of any Class E Notes, Holding Preference Shares and Preference Shares already held by such beneficial owner and (ii) the beneficial owner is not a part of any arrangement a principal purpose of which is to cause the Class E Notes and Preference Shares to be treated as owned by 100 persons or less within the meaning of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h). Each transferee of a Class E Note will also be required to agree to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form and other certificate in each of the following circumstances: (i) no later than 120 days prior to the expiration (if applicable) of the last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate, (ii) upon any change of circumstance that would cause that the last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate to be incorrect and (iii) upon a request by the Issuer or the Share Registrar. Each transferee will also be required to agree that if such transferee

fails to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form or other certificate no later than 120 days prior to the expiration of the last previously provided U.S. tax form or, if earlier, within the time specified in any request by the Issuer or the Share Registrar (which shall not be less than 30 days), the Issuer will have the unconditional right to cause such transferee to sell any and all Class E Notes to the Issuer or to a person chosen by the Issuer or the Issuer's agent on such terms as the Issuer may choose. For this purpose, an IRS Form W-8IMY (or any successor form thereto) will be deemed to expire upon the expiration of any withholding statement or U.S. tax forms associated with such IRS Form W-8IMY.

### **U.S. Federal Income Taxation of Non-U.S. Holders**

The summary contained in this subsection outlines certain significant U.S. federal income tax principles that are likely to apply to a beneficial owner that is treated as a non-resident alien or foreign corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes (a “**Non-U.S. Holder**”). It assumes that the Non-U.S. Holder's investment in the Issuer is not effectively connected with the conduct by such Non-U.S. Holder of a trade or business in the United States.

Payments on the Notes to a Non-U.S. Holder will generally be exempt from any U.S. federal income or withholding taxes, as will gains derived from the sale, exchange or redemption of the Notes, *provided that* such payments or gains are not effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business of such Holder, and generally, in the case of gain (excluding accrued OID, if any) of a non-resident alien individual Holder, the Holder is not present in the United States for 183 days or more during the taxable year of the sale and certain other conditions are satisfied. However, if it were determined that the Issuer were engaged in a U.S. trade or business, a portion of the payments on the Notes paid to a Non-U.S. Holder may be subject to a 30% U.S. withholding tax.

As discussed above, the United States federal income tax treatment of the Class E Notes is subject to significant uncertainty and no ruling from the IRS has been sought regarding this issue. If the Class E Notes were treated as equity of the Issuer, among other things, a Non-U.S. Holder may be subject to withholding taxes with respect to payments under the Class E Notes. Furthermore, in such event, if the Issuer were engaged in a U.S. trade or business, a Non-U.S. Holder would also be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business and would be required to file and pay U.S. federal income taxes on its allocable share of the Issuer's income (and possibly on any gain on a disposition of Class E Notes) that is (or is deemed to be) effectively connected with such U.S. trade or business at graduated U.S. federal income tax rates applicable to U.S. Holders (corporate Non-U.S. Holders may also be subject to the branch profits tax). Investors are strongly urged to consult their tax advisors as to the possible U.S. federal income tax characterization of the Class E Notes as equity and the tax consequences resulting from such characterization.

### **Information Reporting and Backup Withholding**

Information reporting to the IRS generally will be required with respect to payments on the Notes, and proceeds of the sale of the Notes to U.S. Holders other than corporations and other exempt recipients. A “backup” withholding tax generally will apply to those payments if such Holder fails to provide certain identifying information (such as the Holder's taxpayer identification number) to the Trustee. “Non-effectively connected” gain or distributions received by a Non-U.S. Holder will generally not be subject to U.S. information reporting requirements or U.S. “backup” withholding tax, although such Holder may be required to furnish a certificate to the paying agent of the Issuer attesting to their status as a Non-U.S. Holder in order to avoid the application of such information reporting requirements and backup withholding. Backup withholding is not an additional tax and may be refunded (or credited against the Holder's U.S. federal income tax liability, if any) *provided that* certain required information is furnished to the IRS in a timely manner.

### **Cayman Islands Tax Considerations**

The following discussion of certain Cayman Islands income tax consequences of an investment in the Securities is based on the advice of Ogier as to Cayman Islands law. The discussion is a general



summary of present law, which is subject to prospective and retroactive change. It assumes that the Issuer will conduct its affairs in accordance with assumptions made by, and representations made to, counsel. It is not intended as tax advice, does not consider any investor's particular circumstances, and does not consider tax consequences other than those arising under Cayman Islands law.

Under existing Cayman Islands laws:

(i) payments of principal and interest on the Notes and dividends and capital in respect of the Preference Shares will not be subject to taxation in the Cayman Islands and no withholding will be required on such payments to any Holder of a Security and gains derived from the sale of Securities will not be subject to Cayman Islands income or corporation tax. The Cayman Islands currently have no income, corporation or capital gains tax and no estate duty, inheritance tax or gift tax;

(ii) no stamp duty is payable in respect of the issue or transfer of Securities although duty may be payable if Notes are executed in or brought into the Cayman Islands; and

(iii) certificates evidencing Securities, in registered form, to which title is not transferable by delivery, should not attract Cayman Islands stamp duty. However, an instrument transferring title to a Note, if brought to or executed in the Cayman Islands, would be subject to Cayman Islands stamp duty.

The Issuer has been incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands as an exempted company and, as such, has applied for and obtained an undertaking from the Governor in Cabinet of the Cayman Islands in substantially the following form:

"THE TAX CONCESSIONS LAW  
(1999 REVISION)  
UNDERTAKING AS TO TAX CONCESSIONS

In accordance with Section 6 of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision) the Governor in Cabinet undertakes with:

Red River CLO Ltd. "the Company"

- (a) that no Law which is hereafter enacted in the Islands imposing any tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations shall apply to the Company or its operations; and
- (b) in addition, that no tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations or which is in the nature of estate duty or inheritance tax shall be payable
  - (i) on or in respect of the shares debentures or other obligations of the Company; or
  - (ii) by way of the withholding in whole or in part of any relevant payment as defined in Section 6(3) of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision).

These concessions shall be for a period of TWENTY years from the 7th day of February, 2006.

GOVERNOR IN CABINET"

The Cayman Islands does not have an income tax treaty arrangement with the U.S. or any other country.

THE PRECEDING DISCUSSION IS ONLY A SUMMARY OF CERTAIN OF THE TAX IMPLICATIONS OF AN INVESTMENT IN THE SECURITIES. PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS ARE

URGED TO CONSULT WITH THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS PRIOR TO INVESTING TO DETERMINE THE TAX IMPLICATIONS OF SUCH INVESTMENT IN LIGHT OF SUCH INVESTORS' CIRCUMSTANCES.

### CONSIDERATIONS FOR BENEFIT PLANS

Except as described below, the Preference Shares and the Class E Notes may not be purchased by any Benefit Plan Investor. Subject to the following discussion, the Senior Notes may generally be acquired by Benefit Plan Investors. Any fiduciary or other person contemplating an investment in the Securities by, on behalf of or using the assets of, an employee benefit or similar plan or arrangement, whether or not subject to Title I of ERISA (as defined below) or Section 4975 of the Code, should consider, among other things, the matters described below before deciding whether to invest in any of the Securities.

The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("**ERISA**"), establishes fiduciary standards for persons having authority or control of the assets of employee benefit plans subject to Title I thereof, including collective investment funds and other entities whose underlying assets are treated as if they were the assets of such plans (collectively, "**ERISA Plans**") pursuant to the regulation issued by the United States Department of Labor ("**DOL**") and found at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 (the "**Plan Asset Regulation**") or otherwise pursuant to ERISA. Under Title I of ERISA, any person who exercises any authority or control with respect to the management or disposition of the assets of an ERISA Plan is considered to be a fiduciary of such ERISA Plan.

Investments by ERISA Plans are subject to ERISA's general fiduciary requirements, including the requirement of investment prudence and diversification and the requirement that an ERISA Plan's investments be made in accordance with the documents governing the relevant plan. The prudence of a particular investment must be determined by the responsible fiduciary of an ERISA Plan by taking into account the ERISA Plan's particular circumstances and all of the facts and circumstances of the investment. A fiduciary of an ERISA Plan should consider, for example, that in the future there may be no market in which to sell or otherwise dispose of the Securities, whether an investment in the Securities may be too illiquid or too speculative, and whether the assets of the ERISA Plan would be sufficiently diversified.

Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code effectively prohibit certain transactions involving the assets of an ERISA Plan (as well as those plans that are not subject to Title I of ERISA but are subject to Section 4975 of the Code (each such plan or ERISA Plan, a "**Plan**")) and certain persons having certain relationships to such Plans (referred to as "parties in interest" or "disqualified persons"), unless a statutory or administrative exemption applies to the transaction. A violation of these "prohibited transaction" rules may generate excise tax or other penalties and liabilities under ERISA and the Code for such person.

Additionally, the acquisition or holding of Securities by or on behalf of benefits plans that are not subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, such as foreign plans, governmental plans (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA) and certain church plans (as defined in Section 3(33) of ERISA) could give rise to similar liabilities under federal, state, foreign or local law which may be substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (a "**Similar Law**"), and/or might be prohibited or otherwise restricted as described herein.

The Plan Asset Regulation describes what constitutes the assets of a Plan with respect to the Plan's investment in an entity for purposes of certain provisions of ERISA, including the fiduciary responsibility and prohibited transaction provisions of Title I of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code. Under the Plan Asset Regulation, if a Plan invests in an "equity interest" of an entity that is neither a "publicly-offered security" nor a security issued by an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act, the Plan's assets include both the equity interest and an undivided interest in each of the entity's underlying assets, unless it is established that the entity is an "operating company" or that equity participation in the entity by "Benefit Plan Investors" is not "significant." Equity participation

in an entity by Benefit Plan Investors is “significant” if 25% or more of the value of any class of equity interest of the entity is held by Benefit Plan Investors. The term “Benefit Plan Investor” includes (a) an employee benefit plan as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA, whether or not it is subject to Title I of ERISA, (b) a plan described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code and (c) any entity whose underlying assets include “plan assets” of any of the foregoing by reason of an investment in the entity by such a plan or arrangement (a “**Benefit Plan Investor**”). For purposes of making the 25% determination, the value of any equity interests held by a person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) who has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the entity or who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to such assets, or any “affiliate” of such a person (as defined under the Plan Asset Regulation), will be disregarded. Under the Plan Asset Regulation, an “affiliate” of a person includes any person, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controlling, controlled by or under common control with the person, and “control” with respect to a person other than an individual, means the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of such person.

Under the Plan Asset Regulation, the assets of the Co-Issuers might be treated as assets of a Plan if Benefit Plan Investors hold 25% or more of any class of “equity interests” in the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or if any Plan acquires an “equity interest” in the Issuer and/or the Co-Issuer and none of the exceptions contained in the Plan Asset Regulation is applicable. An “equity interest” is defined under the Plan Asset Regulation as an interest other than an instrument which is treated as indebtedness under applicable local law and which has no substantial equity features.

### Senior Notes

The Co-Issuers believe that, at the time of their issuance, the Senior Notes should be treated as indebtedness without substantial equity features for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulation. This determination is based in part upon the traditional debt features of such Senior Notes, including the reasonable expectation of purchasers of such Senior Notes that they will be repaid when due, as well as the absence of conversion rights, warrants and other typical equity features. The Co-Issuers will therefore not monitor the investment by Benefit Plan Investors in the Senior Notes. It should be noted that the debt treatment of the Senior Notes for ERISA purposes could change subsequent to their issuance (i.e., they could be treated as equity) if the Issuers incur losses or the rating or other terms and conditions of the Senior Notes changes. The risk of recharacterization is enhanced for subordinate classes of the Senior Notes. The Co-Issuers have not obtained an opinion of counsel regarding the debt treatment of Senior Notes under local law or the Plan Asset Regulation.

Regardless of the characterization of the Senior Notes as debt or equity under the Plan Asset Regulation and regardless of the level of Benefit Plan Investor investment in any class of Securities, the acquisition or holding of Senior Notes by or on behalf of a Plan could give rise to a prohibited transaction if any of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Placement Agents, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, other persons providing services in connection with the Issuers, or any of their respective affiliates is a “party in interest” or “disqualified person” with respect to that Plan. Certain exemptions from the prohibited transaction rules could be applicable, however, depending in part upon the type of fiduciary making the decision to acquire Senior Notes and the circumstances under which such decision is made. Included among these exemptions are U.S. DOL Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption (“PTCE”) 84-14, regarding transactions effected by independent “qualified professional asset managers”; PTCE 90-1, regarding investments by insurance company pooled separate accounts; PTCE 91-38, regarding investments by bank collective investment funds; PTCE 95-60, regarding investments by insurance company general accounts; and PTCE 96-23, regarding transactions effected by certain “in-house asset managers.” However, even if the conditions specified in one or more of these exemptions are met, the scope of the relief provided by these exemptions might or might not cover all acts which might be construed as prohibited transactions. There can be no assurance that any of these, or any other exemption, will be available with respect to any particular transaction involving the Senior Notes.

Similarly, the acquisition or holding of Senior Notes by or on behalf of foreign plans, governmental plans (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA) and certain church plans (as defined in

Section 3(33) of ERISA), which are not subject to Title I of ERISA and/or Section 4975 of the Code, could give rise to a prohibited transaction or other liabilities under Similar Law.

By acquiring a Senior Note, each purchaser and transferee will be deemed to represent, warrant and covenant that either (i) it is not, and is not acquiring such Senior Note with the assets of, a Plan or a foreign, governmental or church plan subject to Similar Law, and throughout the holding and disposition of such Senior Note, it will not become or transfer its interest to any Plan or foreign, governmental or church plan or to an entity using the assets thereof, or (ii) the acquisition, holding and disposition of such Senior Note by the purchaser or transferee, throughout its holding and disposition of such Senior Note, will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a foreign, governmental or church plan, any Similar Law), because such purchase, holding and disposition either (x) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (y) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all of the conditions of which are and will be satisfied upon its acquisition of, and throughout its holding and disposition of, such Senior Note. Each investor in a Senior Note will be deemed to represent, warrant and covenant that it will not sell, pledge or otherwise transfer such Senior Note in violation of the foregoing, and that it and any person causing it to acquire such Senior Note agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Placement Agents and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of such purchaser not satisfying the foregoing or as a result of its transferring its interest to a Person not meeting the foregoing requirements. Any purported transfer of the Senior Note to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of the foregoing shall be null and void *ab initio*, and will vest in the transferee no rights against the Trustee or the Co-Issuers.

#### **Class E Notes and Preference Shares**

Although the Issuer will treat the Class E Notes as debt, this characterization is subject to uncertainty and the Class E Notes may be characterized as equity for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulation. The Preference Shares are equity of the Issuer and will be treated as equity for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulation. Accordingly, the Issuer intends to limit the purchase and holding of each of the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares by Benefit Plan Investors to less than 25% of the aggregate outstanding amount of the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares, as applicable (excluding for purposes of such determination any Class E Notes or Preference Shares held by “Controlling Persons” as defined below), by requiring each purchaser or transferee thereof to make certain representations and agreements with respect to its status as a Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person, and to agree to additional transfer restrictions described under “Transfer Restrictions.” In making the 25% determination, Class E Notes or Preference Shares held by any person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer or any “affiliate” (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) of any such person (any such person, a “**Controlling Person**”) (such as the Class E Notes and the Class II Preference Shares held by the Servicer or its affiliates and employees thereof) will be disregarded and not treated as outstanding. No purchase of a Class E Note or a Preference Share by, or proposed transfer to, a person that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person will be permitted to the extent that such purchase or transfer would result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares, as applicable, (excluding for purposes of such determination any Class E Notes or Preference Shares, as applicable, held by any Controlling Person (such as the Class E Notes and the Class II Preference Shares held by the Servicer or its affiliates and employees thereof)) immediately after such purchase or proposed transfer (determined in accordance with the Plan Asset Regulation, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents).

In addition, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Trustee will agree that, after the initial distribution of the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares, neither they nor any of their

respective affiliates will acquire any Class E Notes or Preference Shares (including pursuant to the Extension Procedure or the Amendment Buy-Out Option) unless such acquisition would not, as determined by the Trustee in reliance on representations made in the applicable transfer certificates with respect thereto, result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of any of the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such acquisition (determined in accordance with the Plan Asset Regulation, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents). The Class E Notes or the Preference Shares held as principal by the Servicer, the Trustee, any of their respective affiliates (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) and persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% limitation to the extent that such a Controlling Person is not a Benefit Plan Investor.

Each purchaser and transferee will be further required to represent, warrant and covenant that no transfer of a Class E Note or a Preference Share will be made to a Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person except as provided herein, and that it and any fiduciaries or other Person causing it to acquire such Securities agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Servicer, the Placement Agents and their respective affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of any transfer of Class E Notes or Preference Shares, as applicable, in violation of the foregoing.

It is expected that the Servicer and/or one or more of its Affiliates will acquire all of the Class E Notes on the Closing Date and therefore it is possible that no Benefit Plan Investors will be able to hold any Class E Notes.

#### **Independent Review and Consultation with Counsel**

Any person proposing to purchase Securities with assets of an employee benefit plan or similar plan or arrangement, including a collective investment fund, insurance company general account or a foreign, governmental or church plan, should consult with its counsel with respect to, among other things, the limitations applicable to Benefit Plan Investors specified herein, and the potential applicability of ERISA, the Code and Similar Law to such investment and whether any exemption from the prohibited transaction provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code or such Similar Law would be applicable. Each investor must determine on its own whether all conditions of any applicable exemption have been satisfied. Moreover, each ERISA Plan fiduciary should determine whether, under the general fiduciary standards of investment prudence and diversification, an investment in the Securities is appropriate for the ERISA Plan, taking into account the overall investment policy of the ERISA Plan, the composition of the ERISA Plan's investment portfolio, and the risk/return characteristics of the Securities.

#### **PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION**

The Placed Notes will be privately placed inside the United States by IXIS Securities North America Inc. and outside the United States by IXIS Corporate & Investment Bank. With respect to a portion of the Class A Notes only, the Placed Notes will be privately placed also by UBS Securities LLC and UBS Limited (each, a subsidiary of UBS AG and each acting through UBS AG's global investment banking and securities business). Pursuant to a Placement Agency Agreement (the "**Placement Agency Agreement**") among the Co-Issuers, IXIS Securities North America Inc., on behalf of the IXIS Placement Agents, and the UBS Placement Agents, the Placement Agents will agree, subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions, to use their reasonable efforts to place the Placed Notes on behalf of the Co-Issuers. Any of the Placement Agents may, but will not be obligated to, purchase the Placed Notes as principal with a view to the resale and distribution thereof, and any such resales may be made by it at negotiated prices. In addition, each of the Placement Agents reserves the right to pay a fee to any purchaser of the Placed Notes, and any Affiliate of the Issuer or the Servicer may also pay a fee to any purchaser, in connection with such purchaser's participation in the transaction.

Certain of the Senior Notes and all of the Class E Notes will be sold directly by the Issuer to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates in privately negotiated transactions. The Issuer will agree to sell, and HFP

and/or one or more of its subsidiaries will agree to purchase, all of the the Class II Preference Shares in a privately negotiated transaction and the Issuer will agree to sell, and Investors Corp. will agree to purchase, all of the Class I Preference Shares in privately negotiated transactions. None of the Placement Agents is acting as a placement agent or initial purchaser with respect to the Class E Notes or the Preference Shares.

In the Placement Agency Agreement, the Co-Issuers will agree to indemnify each of the Placement Agents against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, or to contribute to payments the Placement Agents may be required to make in respect thereof. In addition, the Issuer will agree to reimburse the IXIS Placement Agents for certain of its expenses incurred in connection with the closing of the transactions contemplated hereby.

The Co-Issuers have been advised by the Placement Agents that the Placement Agents propose to arrange the sale of the Placed Notes to certain non-U.S. persons in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act and to Accredited Investors in transactions exempt under Section 4(2) who are also (i) Qualified Purchasers or (ii) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers. Pursuant to the Placement Agency Agreement, the IXIS Placement Agents will be entitled to placement fees from the Issuer for placing the Placed Notes.

No action has been taken or will be taken by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Placed Notes or possession or distribution of any offering memorandum (in preliminary or final form) or any amendment thereof, or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Placed Notes in any jurisdiction where, or in any other circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. No offers, sales or deliveries of any Placed Notes, or distribution of any offering memorandum (in preliminary or final form) or any other offering material relating to the Placed Notes, may be made in or from any jurisdiction except in circumstances that will result in compliance with any applicable laws and regulations and will not impose any obligations on the Issuer or the Placement Agents. Because of the restrictions contained in the front of this Offering Memorandum, purchasers are advised to consult legal counsel prior to making any offer, resale, pledge or transfer of the Placed Notes.

In the Placement Agency Agreement, each Placement Agent will agree that it or one or more of its Affiliates will arrange the sale of the Placed Notes only to or with (i) purchasers it reasonably believes to be (A) Accredited Investors and (B) (I) Qualified Purchasers or (II) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and (ii) non-U.S. Persons in Offshore Transactions pursuant to Regulation S. Resales of the Placed Notes offered in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act, as the case may be, are restricted as described under the "Transfer Restrictions." As used in this paragraph, the terms "United States" and "U.S." have the meanings given to them by Regulation S.

The Placed Notes are a new issue of securities for which there is currently no market. The Placement Agents are not under any obligation to make a market in any class of the Placed Notes and any market making activity, if commenced, may be discontinued at any time. There can be no assurance that a secondary market for any class of the Placed Notes will develop, or if one does develop, that it will continue. Accordingly, no assurance can be given as to the liquidity of or trading market for the Placed Notes.

The Co-Issuers extend to each prospective investor the opportunity to ask questions of, and receive answers from, the Co-Issuers or a person or persons acting on behalf of the Co-Issuers, including the Placement Agents concerning the Securities and the terms and conditions of this offering and to obtain any additional information it may consider necessary in making an informed investment decision and any information in order to verify the accuracy of the information set forth herein, to the extent the Co-Issuers possess the same. Requests for such additional information can be directed to IXIS Securities North America Inc., 9 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street, 36<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10019 Attention: Structured Credit Products Group.

## **SETTLEMENT AND CLEARING**

### **Book Entry Registration of the Global Notes**

So long as the Depository, or its nominee, is the registered owner or Holder of a Global Note, the Depository or the nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the sole owner or Holder of the Senior Notes represented by a Global Note for all purposes under the Indenture, the Issuer Charter and the Global Notes, and members of, or participants in, the Depository as well as any other persons on whose behalf the participants may act (including Clearstream and Euroclear and account holders and participants therein) will have no rights under the Indenture, the Issuer Charter or a Global Note. Owners of beneficial interests in a Global Note will not be considered to be owners or Holders of the related Senior Note under the Indenture or the Issuer Charter. Unless the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for a Global Note or ceases to be a “clearing agency” registered under the Exchange Act, owners of a beneficial interest in a Global Note will not be entitled to have any portion of a Global Note registered in their names, will not receive or be entitled to receive physical delivery of Senior Notes in certificated form and will not be considered to be the owners or Holders of any Senior Notes under the Indenture. In addition, no beneficial owner of an interest in a Global Note will be able to transfer that interest except in accordance with the Depository’s applicable procedures (in addition to those under the Indenture and, if applicable, those of Euroclear and Clearstream).

Investors may hold their interests in a Regulation S Global Note directly through Clearstream or Euroclear, if they are participants in Clearstream or Euroclear, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in Clearstream or Euroclear. Clearstream and Euroclear will hold interests in the Regulation S Global Notes on behalf of their participants through their respective depositories, which in turn will hold the interests in Regulation S Global Notes in customers’ securities accounts in the depositories’ names on the books of the Depository. Investors may hold their interests in a Rule 144A Global Note directly through the Depository if they are participants in the Depository, or in directly through organizations that are participants in the Depository.

Payments of principal of, or interest or other distributions on a Global Note will be made to the Depository or its nominee, as the registered owner thereof. The Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the paying agents, the Placement Agents, the Servicer and their respective Affiliates will not have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests in a Global Note or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to the beneficial ownership interests.

The Co-Issuers expect that the Depository or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment of principal, interest, or other distributions in respect of a Global Note representing any Senior Notes, as the case may be, held by it or its nominee, will immediately credit participants’ accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the stated aggregate principal amount or number of a Global Note for the Senior Notes, as shown on the records of the Depository or its nominee. The Co-Issuers also expect that payments by participants to owners of beneficial interests in a Global Note held through the participants will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers registered in the names of nominees for those customers. The payments will be the responsibility of the participants.

### **Global Note Settlement Procedures**

Transfers between the participants in the Depository will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with the Depository rules and will be settled in immediately available funds. The laws of some states require that certain persons take physical delivery of securities in definitive form. Consequently, the ability to transfer beneficial interests in a Global Note to these persons may be limited. Because the Depository can only act on behalf of participants, who in turn act on behalf of indirect participants and certain banks, the ability of a person holding a beneficial interest in a Global Note to pledge its interest to persons or entities that do not participate in the Depository system, or otherwise take

actions in respect of its interest, may be affected by the lack of a physical certificate of the interest. Transfers between participants in Euroclear and Clearstream will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with their respective rules and operating procedures.

Subject to compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Securities described above and under “Transfer Restrictions,” cross-market transfers between the Depository, on the one hand, and directly or indirectly through Euroclear or Clearstream participants, on the other, will be effected in the Depository in accordance with the Depository rules on behalf of Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, by its respective depository; *however*, the cross-market transactions will require delivery of instructions to Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, by the counterparty in the system in accordance with its rules and procedures and within its established deadlines (Brussels time). Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, will if the transaction meets its settlement requirements, deliver instructions to its respective depository to take action to effect final settlement on its behalf by delivering or receiving interests in a Senior Note represented by a Regulation S Global Note in the Depository and making or receiving payment in accordance with normal procedures for same-day funds settlement applicable to the Depository. Clearstream participants and Euroclear participants may not deliver instructions directly to the depositories of Clearstream or Euroclear.

Because of time zone differences, cash received in Euroclear or Clearstream as a result of sales of interests in a Regulation S Global Note by or through a Euroclear or Clearstream participant to the Depository participant will be received with value on the Depository settlement date but will be available in the relevant Euroclear or Clearstream cash account only as of the business day following settlement in the Depository.

The Depository has advised the Issuer that it will take any action permitted to be taken by a Holder of Securities (including the presentation of Securities for exchange as described above) only at the direction of one or more participants in the Depository to whose account with the Depository interests in the Securities are credited and only in respect of the portion of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities as to which the participant or participants has or have given the direction.

The Depository has advised the Issuer as follows: The Depository is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a “banking organization” within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a “clearing corporation” within the meaning of the UCC and a “Clearing Agency” registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. The Depository was created to hold securities for its participants and facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of its participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates. Participants in the Depository include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations and may include certain other organizations. Indirect access to the Depository system is available to others such as banks, brokers, dealers, and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a participant, either directly or indirectly.

Although the Depository, Clearstream and Euroclear have agreed to the foregoing procedures to facilitate transfers of interests in Regulation S Global Notes among participants of the Depository, Clearstream and Euroclear, they are under no obligation to perform or continue to perform the procedures, and the procedures may be discontinued at any time. Neither the Co-Issuers nor the Trustee will have any responsibility for the performance by the Depository, Clearstream, or Euroclear or their respective participants or indirect participants of their respective obligations under the rules and procedures governing their operations.

### **TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS**

Because of the following restrictions, purchasers are advised to consult legal counsel prior to making any offer, resale, pledge or transfer of the Securities. Purchasers of Senior Notes represented by an interest in a Regulation S Global Note are advised that such interests are not transferable to U.S. Persons at any time except in accordance with the following restrictions.



Each prospective purchaser of Securities that is a U.S. Person or is purchasing the Securities in a non-Offshore Transaction (a “**U.S. Offeree**”), by accepting delivery of this Offering Memorandum, will be deemed to have represented and agreed as follows:

(1) The U.S. Offeree acknowledges that this Offering Memorandum is personal to the U.S. Offeree and does not constitute an offer to any other person or to the public generally to subscribe for or otherwise acquire the Securities other than pursuant to transactions exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act or in Offshore Transactions in accordance with Regulation S. Distribution of this Offering Memorandum to any person other than the U.S. Offeree and those persons, if any, retained to advise the U.S. Offeree with respect thereto, and other persons that are, (a) in the case of the Senior Notes, Accredited Investors or non-U.S. Persons or, (b) in the case of the Class E Notes or the Preference Shares, Qualified Institutional Buyers is unauthorized and any disclosure of any of its contents, without the prior written consent of the Co-Issuers, is prohibited.

(2) The U.S. Offeree agrees to make no photocopies of this Offering Memorandum or any documents referred to herein and, if the U.S. Offeree does not purchase the Securities or the offering is terminated, to return this Offering Memorandum and all documents referred to herein to IXIS Securities North America Inc., 9 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street, 36<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York, 10019, Attention: Structured Credit Products Group.

Under the Indenture (with respect to the Co-Issuers) and the Preference Share Documents (with respect to the Issuer), the Co-Issuers or the Issuer will agree to comply with the requirements of Rule 144A relative to the dissemination of information to prospective purchasers in the secondary market. See “Available Information.”

The Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act and, (a) in the case of the Senior Notes, may not be offered or sold in non-Offshore Transactions or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. Persons, except to Accredited Investors in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act who are also (x) Qualified Purchasers or (y) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and, (b) in the case of the Class E Notes or the Preference Shares, may only be offered or sold to Qualified Institutional Buyers in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act who are also (x) Qualified Purchasers or (y) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers.

Any purported transfer of a Security not in accordance with this section shall be null and void and shall not be given effect for any purpose hereunder.

#### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes**

Each purchaser of a beneficial interest in Senior Notes represented by a Rule 144A Global Note will be deemed to represent and agree (on its own behalf, or if the purchaser is acquiring the Senior Notes for any account, on behalf of each such account) (and each transferee of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will be required or deemed to represent and agree) as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A or Regulation S are used herein as defined therein):

(1) (A) The purchaser is an Accredited Investor and a Qualified Purchaser, (B) the purchaser is purchasing the Senior Notes for its own account or the account of another Qualified Purchaser that is also an Accredited Investor as to which the purchaser exercises sole investment discretion, (C) the purchaser and any such account is acquiring the Senior Notes as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (D) the purchaser and any such account was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Senior Notes (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (E) to the extent the purchaser (or any account for which it is purchasing the Senior Notes) is a private investment company formed on or before April 30, 1996, the purchaser and each such account has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners,

(F) the purchaser is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (G) the purchaser is not a pension, profit-sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants or affiliates may designate the particular investment to be made, (H) the purchaser agrees that it and each such account shall not hold such Senior Notes for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Senior Notes or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the distributions on the Senior Notes (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (I) the Senior Notes purchased directly or indirectly by the purchaser or any account for which it is purchasing the Senior Notes constitute an investment of no more than 40% of the purchaser's and each such account's assets (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (J) the purchaser and each such account is purchasing the Senior Notes in a principal amount of not less than the minimum denomination requirement for the purchaser and each such account, (K) the purchaser will provide notice of the transfer restrictions set forth in the Indenture (including the exhibits thereto) to any transferee of its Senior Notes and (L) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Senior Notes to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph (1) shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(2) The purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Senior Notes, and the purchaser, and any account for which it is acting, are each able to bear the economic risk of the purchaser's or its investment.

(3) The purchaser understands that the Senior Notes are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Senior Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein, such Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the applicable legend in respect of such Senior Notes set forth in (6) below and the restrictions set forth in the Indenture. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Co-Issuers, the Servicer or the Placement Agents as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Senior Notes.

(4) The purchaser is not purchasing the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Senior Notes involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of its entire investment in the Senior Notes under certain circumstances. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Co-Issuers, the Senior Notes and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Co-Issuers and the Placement Agents.

(5) In connection with the purchase of Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Servicer by any Affiliate of or account serviced by the Servicer): (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for the purchaser, (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates other than in the Offering Memorandum and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer

or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other person) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of the Senior Notes or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the Indenture) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein reflect those in relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) if the purchaser is acting for the account of another investor, the purchaser represents that the investment on behalf of such account is based on a determination that the investment is suitable based on the risks referred to in this Offering Memorandum (including, without limitation, the "Risk Factors" and the "Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes"), given the investment objectives of the account for which the purchase is being made, and that the investment is consistent with any applicable legal requirements; (vii) the purchaser is purchasing the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (viii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

(6) (i) The purchaser understands that the Senior Notes offered to Accredited Investors in reliance on the exemption from the registration requirements under the Securities Act provided by Section 4(2) (a) will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Co-Issuers determine otherwise in accordance with applicable law, (b) will be represented by one or more Rule 144A Global Notes, and (c) may not at any time be resold, pledged or transferred to U.S. Persons that are not Qualified Institutional Buyers and either (i) Qualified Purchasers or (ii) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers. Before any interest in a Rule 144A Global Note may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a Person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note, the transferor will be required to provide the Trustee with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), AND THE CO-ISSUERS HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE "INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT"). THE PURCHASER HEREOF, BY PURCHASING THIS NOTE, AGREES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CO-ISSUERS THAT THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN MAY BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, ONLY (A)(1) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT SO LONG AS THIS NOTE IS ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A OR (2) TO A NON-U.S. PERSON IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION COMPLYING WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND, IN CASE OF CLAUSE (1), TO A PURCHASER THAT (W) IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WITH EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER), (X) TO THE EXTENT THE PURCHASER (OR ANY ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS PURCHASING THE NOTES) IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS

BENEFICIAL OWNERS, (Y) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS, AND (Z) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE, (B) IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN U.S.\$250,000 FOR THE PURCHASER AND FOR EACH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS ACTING AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE STATES OF THE UNITED STATES. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS TRANSFEREE. EACH PURCHASER OF THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE CO-ISSUERS, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE CO-ISSUERS MAINTAIN THE RIGHT TO RESELL NOTES OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED U.S. HOLDERS (AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE INDENTURE.

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

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE AND ANY PAYING AGENT WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR SUCCESSOR APPLICABLE FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE") OR AN APPLICABLE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR SUCCESSOR APPLICABLE FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THIS NOTE.

THE PURCHASER HEREOF, BY PURCHASING THIS NOTE, AGREES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CO-ISSUERS THAT THIS NOTE AND ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT TO A PERSON THAT REPRESENTS, WARRANTS AND COVENANTS THAT EITHER (I) IT IS NOT, AND IS NOT USING THE ASSETS OF, AND THROUGHOUT THE HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF SUCH NOTES WILL NOT BECOME OR TRANSFER ITS INTEREST TO, AN "EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(3) OF THE UNITED STATES EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA"), THAT IS SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA, A "PLAN" DESCRIBED IN SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE"), OR AN ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE THE ASSETS OF ANY SUCH PLAN, OR A GOVERNMENTAL, FOREIGN OR CHURCH PLAN SUBJECT TO ANY FEDERAL, STATE, FOREIGN OR LOCAL LAW THAT IS SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE PROVISIONS OF

SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE OR (II) ITS PURCHASE, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF THIS NOTE WILL NOT RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE (OR IN THE CASE OF ANY GOVERNMENTAL, FOREIGN OR CHURCH PLAN, ANY FEDERAL, STATE, FOREIGN OR LOCAL LAW SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE) BECAUSE SUCH PURCHASE, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF SUCH NOTE EITHER (A) IS NOT, AND WILL NOT BECOME, SUBJECT TO SUCH LAWS, OR (B) IS COVERED BY AN EXEMPTION FROM ALL APPLICABLE PROHIBITED TRANSACTIONS, ALL OF THE CONDITIONS OF WHICH ARE AND WILL BE SATISFIED UPON THE ACQUISITION OF, AND THROUGHOUT ITS HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF, THIS NOTE. ANY PURPORTED TRANSFER OF THIS NOTE THAT DOES NOT COMPLY WITH THESE REQUIREMENTS SHALL BE NULL AND VOID *AB INITIO*.

(ii) In addition, each Regulation S Global Note representing any Senior Note will contain the following additional legend:

EACH TRANSFEREE OF THE NOTE REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL, IF REQUIRED BY THE INDENTURE, BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE INDENTURE OR WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE.

(iii) In addition, each Regulation S Global Note representing any Senior Note will also contain the following additional legend:

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

(7) The purchaser will provide notice to each person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Senior Notes of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Indenture, including the exhibits referenced therein.

(8) The purchaser understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein who is a U.S. Person and who is determined not to have been both (x) an Accredited Investor, in the case of the initial purchaser, or a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) either (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers at the time of acquisition of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein to sell such interest, or to sell such interest on behalf of such purchaser, to a person that is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) either (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A or to a person that is a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S.

(9) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Senior Notes, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase Senior Notes from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell such Senior Note to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(10) The purchaser understands that the Stated Maturity of the Senior Notes is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

(11) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Co-Issuers that would permit a public offering of the Senior Notes in any jurisdiction. The purchaser further acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Co-Issuers that would permit possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Senior Notes in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the offering memorandum relating to the Senior Notes shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Senior Notes in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

(12) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

(13) (a) Either (i) the purchaser is not, and is not using the assets of, and throughout the holding and disposition of the Senior Notes will not become or transfer its interest to, an employee benefit plan or other fund or arrangement subject to Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”), a plan subject to Section 4975(e) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “Code”) or a governmental, foreign or church plan which is subject to any federal, state, foreign or local law that is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or (ii) the purchaser’s purchase, holding and disposition of such Senior Notes will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any federal, state, foreign or local law that is substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code) because such purchase, holding and disposition of such Senior Notes either (x) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws, or (y) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all of the conditions of which are and will be satisfied upon the acquisition of, and throughout its holding and disposition of, such Senior Notes; (b) the purchaser shall not transfer an interest in such Senior Notes to any transferee unless such transferee meets the foregoing requirements; and (c) the purchaser and any fiduciaries or other Person causing it to acquire such Senior Notes agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Placement Agents, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of such purchaser not meeting the foregoing requirements or as a result of its transferring its interest to a transferee not meeting the foregoing requirements. Any purported purchase or transfer of the Senior Notes to a purchaser or transferee that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph (13) shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(14) The purchaser understands that the Co-Issuers may receive a list of participants holding positions in its securities from one or more book-entry depositories.

(15) The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Senior Notes or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Indenture, to which provisions the purchaser hereby agrees it is subject.

(16) The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

(17) The beneficial owner will agree to treat the Senior Notes as unconditional debt of the Issuer for tax, accounting and financial reporting purposes.

(18) To the extent required, as determined by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Trustee, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Senior Notes to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the U.S. Patriot Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Senior Note to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

(19) The purchaser understands that, to the extent required, as determined by the Co-Issuers, the Co-Issuers may amend the Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer only, the Preference Share Documents, without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders of the Securities that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7 if, at any time following the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers elect to rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7).

(20) The purchaser understands that the Issuer may enter into amendments or modifications to the Servicing Agreement without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities.

(21) The purchaser agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

(22) The purchaser acknowledges that the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Placement Agents and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Co-Issuers, the Servicer and the Placement Agents. If the purchaser is acquiring any Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein as a fiduciary or agent for one or more institutional accounts, it represents that it has sole investment discretion with respect to each such account and it has full power to make the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements on behalf of such account.

### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Regulation S Global Notes**

Each purchaser of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note will be further deemed (and each transferee of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note will be required or deemed), in addition to making the representations set forth in paragraphs (3), (4), (5) and (7) through (22) above in “—Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes,” to represent and agree as follows:

The purchaser is aware that the Senior Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or any other applicable state securities law and the sale of such Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Regulation S and understands that the Senior Notes offered in reliance on Regulation S will bear the appropriate legend set forth in paragraph (6) above in “—Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes” and will be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Notes. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Co-Issuers or the Placement Agents as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any other jurisdiction for resale of the Senior Notes. The purchaser and each beneficial owner of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein that it holds is not, and will not be, a U.S. Person as defined in Regulation S and its purchase of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein will comply with all applicable laws in

any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located and will be in a principal amount of not less than U.S.\$ 250,000. The purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein, and it, and any accounts for which it is acting are each able to bear the economic risk of its investment. Before any interest in a Regulation S Global Note may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note, the transferor and the transferee will be required to provide the Trustee with written certifications as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Class E Notes**

Each initial purchaser of Class E Notes acquiring such Class E Notes from the Issuer in the initial offering will be required to enter into a Subscription Agreement with the Issuer pursuant to which each such initial purchaser will be required to represent and agree (and each subsequent transferee will be required to represent and agree), on its own behalf, or if the purchaser is acquiring the Class E Notes for any account, on behalf of each such account, in each case as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A are used herein as defined therein):

(1) The purchaser is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is aware that the sale of Class E Notes to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements provided by Section 4(2) and is acquiring the Class E Notes for its own account or for one or more accounts, each of which is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and as to each of which the purchaser exercises sole investment discretion. In addition, the purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Class E Notes, and the purchaser, and any accounts for which it is acting, are each able to bear the economic risk of the purchaser's or its investment.

(2) The purchaser understands that the Class E Notes are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Class E Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Class E Notes, such Class E Notes may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the legend in respect of such Class E Notes set forth in (7) below and the restrictions set forth in the Indenture. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Issuer, the Servicer or the Placement Agents or any of their respective Affiliates as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Class E Notes.

(3) The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Class E Notes or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Indenture, to which provisions the purchaser agrees it is subject.

(4) The purchaser is not purchasing the Class E Notes with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that the Class E Notes will be highly illiquid and are not suitable for short-term trading. The Class E Notes are a leveraged investment in the Collateral Obligations that may expose the Class E Notes to disproportionately large changes in value. Payments in respect of the Class E Notes are not guaranteed as they are dependent on the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Class E Notes involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of all or a substantial part of its investment. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Issuer, the Class E Notes and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Class E Notes, including an



opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Issuer and the Placement Agents.

(5) In connection with the purchase of Class E Notes (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Servicer by any Affiliate of or account serviced by the Servicer): (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty or the Servicer is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for the purchaser, (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates other than in the Offering Memorandum and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other Person or documentation for the Class E Notes) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of the Class E Notes or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the documentation for the Class E Notes) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Class E Notes reflect those in relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) if the purchaser is acting for the account of another investor, the purchaser represents that the investment on behalf of such account is based on a determination that the investment is suitable based on the risks referred to in this Offering Memorandum (including, without limitation, the "Risk Factors" and the "Transfer Restrictions Applicable to the Class E Notes"), given the investment objectives of the account for which the purchase is being made, and that the investment is consistent with any applicable legal requirements; (vii) the purchaser is purchasing the Class E Notes with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (viii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

(6) (A) The purchaser on each account for which the purchaser is acquiring Class E Notes is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (b) (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, (B) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Class E Notes for any account, each such account) is acquiring the Class E Notes as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (C) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Class E Notes for any account, each such account) was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Class E Notes (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (D) to the extent the purchaser or any account for which the purchaser is acquiring class E Notes is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, the purchaser or such account has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (E) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Class E Notes for any account, each such account) agrees that it shall not hold such Class E Notes for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Class E Notes or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or other distributions on the Class E Notes (except when each such other Person is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (b) a Qualified Purchaser) and (F) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Class E Notes to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(7) The purchaser understands that the Class E Notes (A) will be represented by either one or more Class E Note certificates which will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Issuer determines otherwise in accordance with applicable law, and (B) may only be resold, pledged or transferred to Qualified Institutional Buyers who are also (a) Qualified Purchasers or (b) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers. The purchaser understands that before the Class E Notes may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred, the transferee will be required to provide the Trustee and the Issuer with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “**SECURITIES ACT**”), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**”). THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER (“**QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER (IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE NOTES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A) WHO IS ALSO (X) A QUALIFIED PURCHASER (“**QUALIFIED PURCHASER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER) AND THAT HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996 OR (Y) AN ENTITY OWNED EXCLUSIVELY BY QUALIFIED PURCHASERS, (B) IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN U.S.\$250,000 FOR THE PURCHASER AND FOR EACH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS ACTING AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID *AB INITIO*, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL ANY NOTES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS OR NON-PERMITTED BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS (AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE INDENTURE.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER AND ANY PAYING AGENT, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE SERVICER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A “UNITED STATES PERSON” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A “UNITED STATES PERSON” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY.

EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE INDENTURE.

(8) The purchaser will provide notice to each Person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Class E Notes of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Indenture, including the exhibits referenced in the Indenture.

(9) The purchaser understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Class E Notes who is determined not to have been (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) either (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, at the time of acquisition of the Class E Notes to sell such Class E Notes, or to sell such Class E Notes on behalf of such purchaser, to a Person that is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) either (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act.

(10) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Class E Notes. The purchaser further acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Securities in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the offering memorandum relating to the Class E Notes shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Class E Notes in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

(11) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Class E Notes, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase Class E Notes from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell such Class E Notes to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(12) The purchaser understands that the Stated Maturity of the Class E Notes is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

(13) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Class E Notes by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

(14) The beneficial owner will agree to treat, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, (a) the Preference Shares as equity of the Issuer, (b) the Notes as indebtedness of the Issuer and (c) the Issuer as a partnership (except to the extent the Issuer can no longer be treated as a partnership as a result of any election by the Issuer, changes in ownership of the Issuer or changes in the manner in which the equity of the Issuer is traded). The beneficial owner will be deemed to have acknowledged that the Issuer is not authorized to engage in activities that could cause it to constitute a finance or lending business for U.S. federal income tax purposes and agrees that it will report its investment in the Notes consistent with such limitation.

(15) The beneficial owner, if not a U.S. Person, either (i) is not a bank (within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code (as defined below in paragraph 23)) or (ii) is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable

to a permanent establishment in the United States. The beneficial owner is not purchasing the Class E Notes in order to reduce its United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan.

(16) To the extent required, as determined by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Trustee and the Indenture Registrar, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Class E Notes to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the U.S. Patriot Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Class E Note to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

(17) The purchaser agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

(18) The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

(19) The beneficial owner will agree to treat the Class E Notes as unconditional debt of the Issuer for tax, accounting and financial reporting purposes.

(20) The purchaser understands that, prior to any sale or other transfer of any interest in Class E Notes, it (or the transferee, as applicable) will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Trustee a duly executed transfer certificate substantially in the form provided in the Indenture and such other certificates and other information as they may reasonably require to confirm that the proposed transfer complies with the restrictions in the legend placed on each certificate representing the Class E Notes and in the Indenture.

(21) The purchaser understands that, to the extent required, as determined by the Co-Issuers, the Co-Issuers may amend the Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer only, the Preference Share Documents, without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders of the Securities that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7 if, at any time following the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers elect to rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7).

(22) The purchaser understands that the Issuer may enter into amendments or modifications to the Servicing Agreement without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities.

(23) The purchaser understands and agrees that no purchase or transfer of the Class E Notes to a purchaser or transferee that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person (each as defined under United States Department of Labor (“DOL”) Regulations, 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101) will be effective, and the Issuer or the Indenture Registrar will not recognize or register such purchase or transfer, if such purchase or transfer would result in (i) Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of Class E Notes (determined pursuant to 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 and the Indenture) or (ii) a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”) or Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “Code”) (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law). The purchaser or transferee further understands and agrees that any transfer in violation of the applicable provisions of the Indenture will be null and void *ab initio*. For purposes of the determination described in clause (i) of the

preceding sentence, the Class E Notes held by the Trustee, the Servicer, any of their respective affiliates (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) and any other persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding unless such person is also a Benefit Plan Investor. The purchaser's acquisition, holding and disposition of the Class E Notes will not result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law), because such purchase, holding and disposition either (a) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (b) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all conditions of which are and will be been satisfied throughout its holding and disposition of such Class E Notes. The purchaser and any Person causing it to acquire the Class E Notes agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Placement Agents, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage, or loss incurred by them as a result of a breach of the representations set forth in this paragraph (23) and paragraph (24). If the purchaser is an insurance company investing through its general account as defined in PTCE 95-60, for so long as it holds the Class E Notes, such purchaser shall meet the requirements pertaining to the percentage of the assets of such insurance company general account that can be treated as plan assets for purposes of calculating the 25% threshold under the significant participation test of the Plan Asset Regulation (29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)).

(24) (a) The funds that the purchaser is using or will use to purchase the Class E Notes are\_\_\_ / are not\_\_\_ (check one) assets of a person who is or at any time while the Class E Notes are held by the purchaser will be (A) an "employee benefit plan" as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA, whether or not such plan is subject to Title I of ERISA, including, without limitation, foreign, church and governmental plans, (B) a "plan" described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code or (C) an entity whose underlying assets would be deemed to include "plan assets" of either of the foregoing by reason of the investment by an employee benefit plan or other plan in the entity within the meaning of 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 or otherwise (the plans and persons described in clauses (A), (B) and (C) being referred to as "**Benefit Plan Investors**"). For purposes of making this determination, foreign benefit plans, government or church plans, Keoghs and individual retirement accounts ("**IRAs**") are typically considered Benefit Plan Investors.

(b) The purchaser is\_\_\_ / is not\_\_\_ (check one) the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or any other person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer, or any "affiliate" (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) of any such person (any such person, a "**Controlling Person**").

(25) The purchaser agrees to provide (and agrees it will cause any subsequent transferee of its Class E Notes to provide) the Indenture Registrar (1) appropriate documentation required under the Code and the applicable Treasury regulations establishing that the beneficial owner of the Class E Notes is either a non-U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-8BEN or an IRS Form W-8IMY with appropriate attachments) or a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-9) and (2) if such beneficial owner is treated as a partnership, S-corporation or grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a written representation from such beneficial owner that (i) there will not be any interests in such beneficial owner where substantially all of the value of such interest is attributable to the value of the Class E Notes proposed to be transferred to such beneficial owner, together with the value of any Class E Notes, Holding Preference Shares and Preference Shares already held by such beneficial owner and (ii) such beneficial owner is not a part of any arrangement a principal purpose of which is to cause the Class E Notes and Preference Shares to be treated as owned by 100 persons or less within the meaning of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h). The purchaser agrees to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form

and other certificate in each of the following circumstances: (i) no later than 120 days prior to the expiration (if applicable) of the last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate, (ii) upon any change of circumstance that would cause that the last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate to be incorrect and (iii) upon a request by the Issuer or the Indenture Registrar. The purchaser agrees that if it fails to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form or other certificate no later than 120 days prior to the expiration of the last previously provided U.S. tax form or, if earlier, within the time specified in any request by the Issuer or the Indenture Registrar (which shall not be less than 30 days), the Issuer will have the unconditional right to cause such purchaser to sell any and all Class E Notes to the Issuer or to a person chosen by the Issuer or the Issuer's agent on such terms as the Issuer may choose. For this purpose, an IRS Form W-8IMY (or any successor form thereto) will be deemed to expire upon the expiration of any withholding statement or U.S. tax forms associated with such IRS Form W-8IMY.

(26) The purchaser understands and agrees that the Issuer will not recognize any transfers of Class E Notes if the proposed transfer will cause the Issuer to have more than ninety-nine beneficial owners (as determined for purposes of the provisions of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h)) of its Class E Notes and Preference Shares unless it receives the consent of all of the Holders of the Preference Shares and an opinion of counsel to the effect that Holders of the Notes will not recognize gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such transfer, and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such transfer had not been made.

(27) The purchaser represents that it has not acquired the Class E Notes pursuant to a trade on an "established securities market" and agrees that it will not trade any Class E Notes on an "established securities market." For this purpose, the term "established securities market" includes any national securities exchange registered under Section 6 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or exempted from registration because of the limited volume of transaction; any foreign securities exchange that, under the laws of the jurisdiction where it is organized, satisfies regulatory requirements that are analogous to the regulatory requirements imposed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; any regional or local exchange; and any interdealer quotation system that regularly disseminates firm buy or sell quotations by identified brokers or dealers, by electronic means or otherwise. The purchaser understands and agrees that in the event that the purchaser acquires or trades the Class E Notes on an established securities market, as described above, the Issuer will not recognize any transfers of Class E Notes made pursuant to such acquisition or trade.

(28) The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer, the Servicer, the Placement Agents and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Class E Notes are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Issuer, the Servicer and the Placement Agents. If the purchaser is acquiring any Class E Notes as a fiduciary or agent for one or more institutional accounts, it represents that it has sole investment discretion with respect to each such account and it has full power to make the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements on behalf of such account.

### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Preference Shares**

Each initial purchaser of Preference Shares acquiring such Preference Shares from the Issuer in the initial offering will be required to enter into a Subscription Agreement with the Issuer pursuant to which each such initial purchaser will be required to represent and agree (and each subsequent transferee will be required to represent and agree), on its own behalf, or if the purchaser is acquiring the Preference Shares for any account, on behalf of each such account, in each case as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A are used herein as defined therein):

(1) The purchaser is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is aware that the sale of Preference Shares to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements provided by Section 4(2) and is acquiring the Preference Shares for its own account or for one or more accounts, each of which is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and as to each of which the purchaser exercises sole investment discretion, and in a number not less than the minimum lot for the purchaser and each such account. In addition, the purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Preference Shares, and the purchaser, and any accounts for which it is acting, are each able to bear the economic risk of the purchaser's or its investment.

(2) The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Preference Shares have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Preference Shares, such Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the legend in respect of such Preference Shares set forth in (7) below and the restrictions set forth in the Preference Share Documents. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Issuer, the Servicer or the Placement Agents or any of their respective Affiliates as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Preference Shares.

(3) The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Preference Shares or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Preference Share Documents, to which provisions the purchaser agrees it is subject.

(4) The purchaser is not purchasing the Preference Shares with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares will be highly illiquid and are not suitable for short-term trading. The Preference Shares are a leveraged investment in the Collateral Obligations that may expose the Preference Shares to disproportionately large changes in value. Payments in respect of the Preference Shares are not guaranteed as they are dependent on the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations. The purchaser understands that it is possible that, due to the structure of the transaction and the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations, dividends or other distributions in respect of the Preference Shares may be reduced or eliminated entirely. Furthermore, the Preference Shares constitute equity in the Issuer, are not secured by the Collateral and will rank behind all creditors (secured and unsecured and whether known or unknown) of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the Holders of the Notes, and any Hedge Counterparties. The Issuer has assets limited to the Collateral for payment of all Classes of the Notes and dividends and other distributions on the Preference Shares, and the Preference Shares bear, *pro rata*, the first risk of loss. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Preference Shares involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of all or a substantial part of its investment. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Issuer, the Preference Shares and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Preference Shares, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Issuer and the Placement Agents.

(5) In connection with the purchase of Preference Shares (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Servicer by any Affiliate of or account serviced by the Servicer): (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for the purchaser, (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or

oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates other than in the Offering Memorandum for such Preference Shares and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other Person or documentation for the Preference Shares) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of the Preference Shares or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the documentation for the Preference Shares) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Preference Shares reflect those in relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) if the purchaser is acting for the account of another investor, the purchaser represents that the investment on behalf of such account is based on a determination that the investment is suitable based on the risks referred to in this Offering Memorandum (including, without limitation, the "Risk Factors" and the "Transfer Restrictions Applicable to the Preference Shares"), given the investment objectives of the account for which the purchase is being made, and that the investment is consistent with any applicable legal requirements; (vii) the purchaser is purchasing the Preference Shares with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (viii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

(6) (A) The purchaser and each account for which the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (b) (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, (B) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares for any account, each such account) is acquiring the Preference Shares as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (C) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares for any account, each such account) was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Preference Shares (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (D) to the extent the purchaser or any account for which the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, the purchaser or such account has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (E) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares for any account, each such account) agrees that it shall not hold such Preference Shares for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Preference Shares or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or other distributions on the Preference Shares (except when each such other Person is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (b) a Qualified Purchaser) and (F) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Preference Shares to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(7) The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares (A) will be represented by either one or more Preference Share certificates which will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Issuer determines otherwise in accordance with applicable law, and (B) may only be resold, pledged or transferred to Qualified Institutional Buyers who are also (a) Qualified Purchasers or (b) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers. The purchaser understands that before the Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or



otherwise transferred, the transferee will be required to provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Issuer with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “**SECURITIES ACT**”), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**”). THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER (“**QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER (IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE PREFERENCE SHARES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A) WHO IS ALSO (X) A QUALIFIED PURCHASER (“**QUALIFIED PURCHASER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER) AND THAT HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996 OR (Y) AN ENTITY OWNED EXCLUSIVELY BY QUALIFIED PURCHASERS, (B) IN EACH CASE, IN A NUMBER OF NOT LESS THAN 100 PREFERENCE SHARES FOR THE PURCHASER AND FOR EACH SUCH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS ACTING AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID *AB INITIO*, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFeree, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL ANY PREFERENCE SHARES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS OR NON-PERMITTED BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS (AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER AND ANY PAYING AGENT, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE SERVICER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A “UNITED STATES PERSON” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A “UNITED STATES PERSON” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY.

EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

(8) The purchaser will provide notice to each Person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Preference Shares of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Preference Share Documents, including the exhibits referenced in the Preference Share Documents.

(9) The purchaser understands that the Preference Share Documents permit the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Preference Shares who is determined not to have been (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) either (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, at the time of acquisition of the Preference Shares to sell such Preference Shares, or to sell such Preference Shares on behalf of such purchaser, to a Person that is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) either (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act.

(10) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Preference Shares. The purchaser further acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Securities in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the offering memorandum relating to the Preference Shares shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Preference Shares in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

(11) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Preference Shares, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase Preference Shares from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof (or, with respect to any Preference Shares held by Investors Corp., to purchase the Holding Preference Shares from any Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder thereof), in each case, at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder or Non-Consenting Holding Preference Shares Holder will be required to sell such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be, to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(12) The purchaser understands that the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

(13) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Preference Shares by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

(14) The beneficial owner will agree to treat, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, (a) the Preference Shares as equity of the Issuer, (b) the Notes as indebtedness of the Issuer and (c) the Issuer as a partnership (except to the extent the Issuer can no longer be treated as a partnership as a result of any election by the Issuer, changes in ownership of the Issuer or changes in the manner in which the equity of the Issuer is traded). The beneficial owner will be deemed to have acknowledged that the Issuer is not authorized to engage in activities that could cause it to constitute a finance or lending business for U.S. federal income tax purposes and agrees that it will report its investment in Preference Shares consistent with such limitation.

(15) The beneficial owner, if not a U.S. Person, either (i) is not a bank (within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code (as defined below in paragraph 23)) or (ii) is a

person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States. The beneficial owner is not purchasing the Preference Shares in order to reduce its United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan.

(16) To the extent required, as determined by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Preference Shares to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the U.S. Patriot Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Preference Share to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

(17) The purchaser agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

(18) The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

(19) The purchaser understands that, prior to any sale or other transfer of any interest in Preference Shares, it (or the transferee, as applicable) will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent a duly executed transfer certificate substantially in the form provided in the Preference Share Documents and such other certificates and other information as they may reasonably require to confirm that the proposed transfer complies with the restrictions in the legend placed on each certificate representing the Preference Shares and in the Preference Share Documents.

(20) The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer has the right pursuant to Section 6 of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement to issue additional Preference Shares.

(21) The purchaser understands that, to the extent required, as determined by the Co-Issuers, the Co-Issuers may amend the Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer only, the Preference Share Documents without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders of the Securities that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7 if, at any time following the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers elect to rely on exclusion from the definition of "investment company" under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7).

(22) The purchaser understands that the Issuer may enter into amendments or modifications to the Servicing Agreement without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities.

(23) The purchaser understands and agrees that no purchase or transfer of the Preference Shares to a purchaser or transferee that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person (each as defined under United States Department of Labor Regulations, 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101) will be effective, and the Issuer or the Share Registrar will not recognize or register such purchase or transfer, if such purchase or transfer would result in (i) Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares (determined pursuant to 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents) or (ii) a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("ERISA") or Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the

“Code”) (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law). The purchaser or transferee further understands and agrees that any transfer in violation of the applicable provisions of the Preference Share Documents will be null and void *ab initio*. For purposes of the determination described in clause (i) of the preceding sentence, the Preference Shares held by the Trustee, the Servicer, any of their respective affiliates (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) and any other persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding unless such person is also a Benefit Plan Investor. The purchaser’s acquisition, holding and disposition of the Preference Shares will not result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law), because such purchase, holding and disposition either (a) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (b) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all conditions of which are and will be been satisfied throughout its holding and disposition of such Preference Shares. The purchaser and any Person causing it to acquire the Preference Shares agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Placement Agents, Preference Shares Paying Agent and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage, or loss incurred by them as a result of a breach of the representations set forth in this paragraph (23) and paragraph (24). If the purchaser is an insurance company investing through its general account as defined in PTCE 95-60, for so long as it holds the Preference Shares, such purchaser shall meet the requirements pertaining to the percentage of the assets of such insurance company general account that can be treated as plan assets for purposes of calculating the 25% threshold under the significant participation test of the Plan Asset Regulation (29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)).

(24) (a) The funds that the purchaser is using or will use to purchase the Preference Shares are\_\_\_ / are not\_\_\_ (check one) assets of a person who is or at any time while the Preference Shares are held by the purchaser will be (A) an “employee benefit plan” as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA, whether or not such plan is subject to Title I of ERISA, including, without limitation, foreign, church and governmental plans, (B) a “plan” described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code or (C) an entity whose underlying assets would be deemed to include “plan assets” of either of the foregoing by reason of the investment by an employee benefit plan or other plan in the entity within the meaning of 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 or otherwise. For purposes of making this determination, foreign benefit plans, government or church plans, Keoghs and IRAs are typically considered Benefit Plan Investors.

(b) The purchaser is\_\_\_ / is not\_\_\_ (check one) the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or any other person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer, or any “affiliate” (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) of any Controlling Person.

(25) The purchaser agrees to provide (and agrees it will cause any subsequent transferee of its Preference Shares to provide) the Share Registrar (1) appropriate documentation required under the Code and the applicable Treasury regulations establishing that the beneficial owner of the Preference Shares to be transferred is either a non-U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-8BEN or an IRS Form W-8IMY with appropriate attachments) or a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-9) and (2) if such beneficial owner is treated as a partnership, S-corporation or grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a written representation from such beneficial owner that (i) there will not be any interests in such beneficial owner where substantially all of the value of such interest is attributable to the value of the Preference Shares proposed to be transferred to such beneficial owner, together with the value of any Class E Notes, Holding Preference Shares and Preference Shares already held by such beneficial owner and (ii) such beneficial owner is not a part of any arrangement a principal purpose of which is to cause the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares to be treated as owned by 100 persons or less within the meaning of Treasury

Regulation section 1.7704-1(h). The purchaser agrees to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form and other certificate in each of the following circumstances: (i) no later than 120 days prior to the expiration (if applicable) of the last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate, (ii) upon any change of circumstance that would cause that the last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate to be incorrect and (iii) upon a request by the Issuer or the Share Registrar. The purchaser agrees that if it fails to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form or other certificate no later than 120 days prior to the expiration of the last previously provided U.S. tax form or, if earlier, within the time specified in any request by the Issuer or the Share Registrar (which shall not be less than 30 days), the Issuer will have the unconditional right to cause such purchaser to sell any and all Preference Shares to the Issuer or to a person chosen by the Issuer or the Issuer's agent on such terms as the Issuer may choose. For this purpose, an IRS Form W-8IMY (or any successor form thereto) will be deemed to expire upon the expiration of any withholding statement or U.S. tax forms associated with such IRS Form W-8IMY.

(26) The purchaser understands and agrees that the Issuer will not recognize any transfers of Preference Shares if the proposed transfer will cause the Issuer to have either (a) exactly one beneficial owner or (b) more than ninety-nine beneficial owners (as determined for purposes of the provisions of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h)) of its Class E Notes and its Preference Shares unless, in the case of clause (b), it receives the consent of all of the Holders of the Preference Shares and an opinion of counsel to the effect that Holders of the Notes will not recognize gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such transfer, and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such transfer had not been made.

(27) The purchaser represents that it has not acquired the Preference Shares pursuant to a trade on an "established securities market" and agrees that it will not trade any Preference Shares on an "established securities market." For this purpose, the term "established securities market" includes any national securities exchange registered under Section 6 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or exempted from registration because of the limited volume of transaction; any foreign securities exchange that, under the laws of the jurisdiction where it is organized, satisfies regulatory requirements that are analogous to the regulatory requirements imposed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; any regional or local exchange; and any interdealer quotation system that regularly disseminates firm buy or sell quotations by identified brokers or dealers, by electronic means or otherwise. The purchaser understands and agrees that in the event that the purchaser acquires or trades the Preference Shares on an established securities market, as described above, the Issuer will not recognize any transfers of Preference Shares made pursuant to such acquisition or trade.

(28) The purchaser is \_\_\_ / is not \_\_\_ (check one) Highland Financial Partners, L.P. or any of its subsidiaries.

(29) The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer, the Servicer, the Placement Agents and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Preference Shares are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Issuer, the Servicer and the Placement Agents. If it is acquiring any Preference Shares as a fiduciary or agent for one or more institutional accounts, it represents that it has sole investment discretion with respect to each such account and it has full power to make the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements on behalf of such account.

## LISTING AND GENERAL INFORMATION

1. The Issuer and the Co-Issuer accept responsibility for the information contained in this document. To the best knowledge and belief of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, the information contained in this document is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

2. Application will be made to list the Senior Notes on the ISE. However, there can be no assurance that any admission will be granted or maintained. In connection with the listing of the Senior Notes on the ISE, this Offering Memorandum will be filed with the Registrar of Companies of Ireland, pursuant to the ISE Listing Rules and the IFSRA Rules. Prior to the listing, a legal notice relating to the issue of the Senior Notes and copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer will be deposited with AIB International Financial Services Ltd. and at the principal office of the Issuer, where copies thereof may be obtained, free of charge, upon request.

3. As long as any of the Senior Notes are Outstanding and listed on the ISE, copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer, the Administration Agreement, the Resolutions, the resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer authorizing the issuance of the Senior Notes, the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, any Hedge Agreement and the Monthly Report will be available for inspection at the offices of the Co-Issuers and the Irish Paying Agent in the City of Dublin, where copies thereof may be obtained upon request in printed form.

4. For fourteen days following the date of listing of the Senior Notes on the ISE, copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer, the Administration Agreement, the Resolutions, the resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer authorizing the issuance of the Senior Notes, the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and any Hedge Agreement will be available for inspection at the principal office of the Co-Issuers and the Irish Paying Agent in the City of Dublin and copies thereof may be obtained upon request.

5. Copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer, the Administration Agreement, the Resolutions, the resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer authorizing the issuance of the Senior Notes, the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, any Hedge Agreement and the Monthly Report prepared by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer containing information relating to the Collateral will be available for inspection so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding at the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee.

6. Each of the Co-Issuers represents that as of the date of this Offering Memorandum, there has been no material adverse change in its financial position since its date of incorporation. Since its date of incorporation, neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has commenced operations, other than the Issuer purchasing certain Collateral Obligations and selling participation interests therein pursuant to the Warehouse Agreements preparatory to the offering of the Securities, and no annual reports or accounts have been prepared as of the date of this Offering Memorandum.

7. The Co-Issuers are not involved in any litigation or arbitration proceedings (including any such proceedings which are pending or threatened of which the Co-Issuers are aware) which may have or have had within the last twelve (12) months a significant effect on the financial position of the Co-Issuers.

8. The issuance of the Securities was authorized and approved by the Board of Directors of the Issuer by the Resolutions. The issuance of the Senior Notes was authorized and approved by the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer by resolutions passed on or before the Closing Date.

9. Since the date of their incorporation, no financial statements of the Co-Issuers have been prepared. The Issuer is not required by Cayman Islands law to publish financial statements, and does not intend to publish any financial statements. The Issuer is required to provide written confirmation to the Trustee, on an annual basis, that no Event of Default or other matter that is required to be brought to the Trustee's attention has occurred.

### IDENTIFYING NUMBERS

The Senior Notes sold in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S and represented by Regulation S Global Notes have been accepted for clearance under the Common Codes in the table below. The table also lists the CUSIP Numbers and the International Securities Identification Numbers (ISIN).

Security	CUSIP	Common Code	ISIN
<b>Class A Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	75686VAA2		US75686VAA26
Regulation S Global Notes	G7456CAA8	026273285	USG7456CAA83
<b>Class B Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	75686VAB0	N/A	US75686VAB09
Regulation S Global Notes	G7456CAB6	026273501	USG7456CAB66
<b>Class C Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	75686VAC8	N/A	US75686VAC81
Regulation S Global Notes	G7456CAC4	026273790	USG7456CAC40
<b>Class D Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	75686VAD6	N/A	US75686VAD64
Regulation S Global Notes	G7456CAD2	026273889	USG7456CAD23
<b>Class E Notes</b>			
Certificated Class E Notes	75686XAA8	N/A	US75686XAA81
<b>Class I Preference Shares</b>			
Certificated Preference Shares	75686X209	N/A	US75686X2099
<b>Class II Preference Shares</b>			
Certificated Preference Shares	75686X308	N/A	US75686X3089

### LEGAL MATTERS

Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Co-Issuers and the Placement Agents by Latham & Watkins LLP, New York, New York. Certain matters with respect to Cayman Islands corporate law and tax law will be passed upon for the Issuer by Ogier, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Servicer by Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, Los Angeles, California.

## GLOSSARY OF DEFINED TERMS

**“Accrued Interest On Sale”** means interest accrued on a Collateral Obligation at the time of sale or other disposition to the extent paid to the Issuer as part of the sale or other disposition price of the Collateral Obligation after deduction of any amount representing Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal”** means (i) interest accrued on or purchased with a Collateral Obligation as part of the price paid by the Issuer to acquire the Collateral Obligation less any amount of Interest Proceeds (applied as Interest Proceeds) applied by the Issuer to acquire the accrued interest at the time of purchase and (ii) interest accrued on a Warehoused Loan as part of the price paid by the Issuer to repurchase and terminate the related participation under the Warehouse Agreements.

**“Act”** means any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action to be given or taken by Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares under the Indenture embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments (which may be an electronic document, including, but not limited to, in the form of e-mail, to the extent permitted by applicable law) of substantially similar tenor signed by Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares in person or by agents duly appointed in writing (*provided* that no signature shall be required on electronic documents, including, but not limited to, in the form of e-mail to the extent permitted by law). Except as otherwise expressly provided in the Indenture the action shall become effective when the instruments are delivered to the Trustee (which instrument or instruments may be delivered through the Preference Shares Paying Agent, in the case of the Holders of the Preference Shares) and, if expressly required, to the Issuer. The instruments (and the action embodied in them) are referred to as the **“Act”** of the Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares signing the instruments.

**“Administrative Expense Cap”** means, an amount on any Payment Date equal to the excess of:

- (i) the sum of 0.04% of the Maximum Amount on the related Determination Date plus \$150,000; *over*
- (ii) the sum of the amounts paid for Administrative Expenses in the twelve months preceding the current Payment Date.

**“Administrative Expenses”** means amounts due or accrued representing:

- (i) tax preparation, filing, and registration fees or expenses and any other filing and registration fees owed by the Co-Issuers or Investors Corp. (including all filing, registration and annual return fees payable to the Cayman Islands government and registered office fees);
- (ii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Trustee (including all amounts under Section 6.7 of the Indenture), the Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Collateral Administrator;
- (iii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Co-Issuers and Investors Corp. and of accountants, agents and counsel for each of the Co-Issuers and Investors Corp.;
- (iv) fees and expenses of the Rating Agencies in connection with any rating of the Notes owed by either Co-Issuer (including fees and expenses for surveillance, credit estimates and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies);
- (v) expenses and indemnities (but not Servicing Fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;
- (vi) fees, indemnities and expenses for third-party loan pricing services and accountants; and



(vii) amounts due (other than indemnities) to any other Person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for in the Indenture, including fees or expenses in connection with any Securities Lending Agreement.

**“Affiliate” or “Affiliated”** means with respect to a Person,

(i) any other Person who, directly or indirectly, is in control of, or controlled by, or is under common control with, the Person; or

(ii) any other Person who is a director, officer or employee (A) of the Person, (B) of any subsidiary or parent company of the Person or (C) of any Person described in clause (i) above.

For the purposes of this definition, control of a Person shall mean the power, direct or indirect:

(A) to vote more than 50% of the securities having ordinary voting power for the election of directors of the Person; or

(B) to direct the corporate management and corporate policies of the Person whether by contract or otherwise (this does not include the Servicing Agreement unless it is amended expressly to provide those services).

For the purpose of this definition, the Administrator and its Affiliates are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Co-Issuers and the Co-Issuers are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Administrator, or any of their Affiliates.

**“Aggregate Outstanding Amount”** means, when used with respect to any of the Notes as of any date, the aggregate principal amount of such Notes on that date. When used with respect to the Preference Shares as of any date, means the number of such Preference Shares Outstanding on such date.

Except as otherwise provided herein:

(i) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(iii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes at any time shall include all Class C Deferred Interest attributed thereto;

(iv) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes at any time shall include all Class D Deferred Interest attributed thereto; and

(v) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class E Notes at any time shall include all Class E Deferred Interest attributed thereto.

**“Aggregate Principal Balance”** means, when used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Principal Balances of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Principal Balance means the sum of the Principal Balances of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**“Aggregate Purchase Price Amount”** means, when used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Purchase Price Amount means the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**“Allocable Principal Balance”** means, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, the portion of the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security that is allocable to each Reference Obligation comprising such index or indices based upon allocating the Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security among such Reference Obligations in the same proportion as each Reference Obligation bears to the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security.

**“Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price”** means, the purchase price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Transaction Securities purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the date of purchase payable to the Non-Consenting Holder (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), plus any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares and the Holding Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, the Closing Date (and any amounts payable, if any, to the Non-Consenting Holder or the Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder, as applicable, on the next succeeding Payment Date) would cause such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); *provided, however*, that in any Amendment Buy-Out from and after the date on which the Non-Consenting Holders of Preference Shares or the Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price for such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, shall be zero.

**“Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser”** means the Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Transaction Securities from Holders pursuant to “Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out,” “Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser” shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Placement Agents, the Investors Corp. Placement Agents or any of their respective Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; *provided, however*, none of the Servicer, the Placement Agents, the Investors Corp. Placement Agents or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

**“Applicable Note Interest Rate”** means, with respect to the Notes of any Class, the Note Interest Rate with respect to such Class.

“**Applicable Percentage**” means the lesser of the Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate and the S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation as specified in the tables below.

**Moody’s Priority  
Category**

**Moody’s Priority Category  
Recovery Rate**

Synthetic Securities .....	In the case of:
	(i) a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the “Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate” given by Moody’s to the Form-Approved Synthetic Security at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security by Moody’s; and
	(ii) any other Synthetic Security, the “Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate” given by Moody’s to the Synthetic Security at the time of acquisition of the Synthetic Security.
Structured Finance Obligations .....	The Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the Moody’s Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 5</u> to the Indenture by reference to the type of asset and its then Moody’s Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that schedule does not apply, on a case-by-case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
unsecured DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligations not covered above or below..	As determined by Moody’s on a case-by-case basis.

For High-Yield Bonds, Moody’s Senior Secured Loans and Moody’s Non Senior Secured Loans, the relevant Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate is the rate determined pursuant to the table below based on the number of rating subcategories difference between the High-Yield Bond’s or Loan’s Moody’s Obligation Rating and its Moody’s Default Probability Rating (for purposes of clarification, if the Moody’s Obligation Rating is higher than the Moody’s Default Probability Rating, the rating subcategories difference will be positive and if it is lower, negative):

<b>Number of Moody’s Rating Subcategories Difference Between the Moody’s Obligation Rating and the Moody’s Default Probability Rating</b>	<b>Moody’s Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>Moody’s Non Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>High-Yield Bonds</b>
+2 or more	60.0%	45.0%	40.0%
+1	50.0%	42.5%	35.0%
0	45.0%	40.0%	30.0%
-1	40.0%	30.0%	15.0%
-2	30.0%	15.0%	10.0%
-3 or less	20.0%	10.0%	2.0%

If no Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate has been specifically assigned with respect to a Loan pursuant to the above table, and the Loan is a secured DIP Loan, the relevant Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate is 50.0%.

<b>S&amp;P Priority Category</b>	<b>S&amp;P Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Secured Loans other than Subordinated Lien Loans or DIP Loans .....	55.0%
Senior Unsecured Loans .....	37.5%
Second Lien Loans .....	37.5%
Subordinated Lien Loans other than a DIP Loan .....	21.5%
Senior Secured High-Yield Bonds	44.0%
Senior Unsecured High-Yield Bonds .....	30.0%
Subordinated High-Yield Bonds ..	18.0%
Structured Finance Obligations ....	The S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the S&P Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 6</u> to the Indenture by reference to the type of asset and its then S&P Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that table does not apply, on a case by case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
Synthetic Securities .....	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation.
DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligation not covered above .....	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis.

**“Approved Pricing Service”** means Loan Pricing Corporation, Mark-It-Partners, Inc. or any other nationally recognized loan pricing service approved in writing by S&P.

**“Ask-Side Market Value”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any lent Collateral Obligation based upon the Servicer’s commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations which are also Independent from the Servicer or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices could not be obtained, the higher of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations which are also Independent from the Servicer or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices could not be obtained, the average of the ask-side prices for the purchase of such Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer); *provided* that if the Ask-Side Market Value of any lent Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the outstanding principal balance thereof.

**“Assigned Moody’s Rating”** means the monitored publicly available rating or the monitored estimated rating expressly assigned to a debt obligation (or facility) by Moody’s that addresses the full amount of the principal and interest promised.

**“Authorized Officer”** means, with respect to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp., any Officer or agent who is authorized to act for the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp., as applicable, in matters relating to, and binding on, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp. With respect to the Servicer, any managing member, Officer, manager, employee, partner or agent of the Servicer who is authorized to act for the Servicer in matters relating to, and binding on, the Servicer with respect to the subject matter of the request, certificate or order in question. With respect to the Trustee or any other bank or trust company acting as trustee of an express trust or as custodian, a Trust Officer. Each party may receive and accept a certification of the authority of any other party as conclusive evidence of the

authority of any Person to act, and the certification may be considered as in full force and effect until receipt by the other party of written notice to the contrary.

**“Average Life”** means, as of any Measurement Date with respect to any Collateral Obligation (other than any Defaulted Collateral Obligation), the quotient obtained by dividing:

(i) the sum of the products of:

(A) the number of years (rounded to the nearest hundredth) from the Measurement Date to the respective dates of each successive scheduled payment of principal of the Collateral Obligation; and

(B) the respective amounts of the successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation; by

(ii) the sum of all successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Bank”** means U.S. Bank National Association in its individual capacity and not as Trustee.

**“Bankruptcy Code”** means the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, Title 11 of the United States Code.

**“Bankruptcy Law”** means the Bankruptcy Code, Part V of the Companies Law (2004 Revision) of the Cayman Islands and the Bankruptcy Law (1997 Revision) of the Cayman Islands.

**“Board of Directors”** means with respect to the Issuer, the directors of the Issuer duly appointed by a resolution of the holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares or by resolution of the Board of Directors and, with respect to the Co-Issuer, the directors of the Co-Issuer duly appointed by the stockholders of the Co-Issuer.

**“Business Day”** means a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in New York City, and any other city in which the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee is located and, in the case of the final payment of principal of any Note, the place of presentation of the Note designated by the Trustee; *provided, however* that, for purposes of determining LIBOR, “Business Day” must also be a day on which dealings in deposits in Dollars are transacted in the London interbank market. To the extent action is required of the Irish Listing Agent and Irish Paying Agent, Dublin, Ireland shall be considered in determining “Business Day” for purposes of determining when actions by the Irish Paying Agent are required.

**“Caa1 Collateral Obligations”** means the Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have a Moody’s Rating below “B3.”

**“Cash”** means such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for payment of all public and private debts.

**“CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations”** means the Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have (i) a Moody’s Rating below “B3” and/or (ii) an S&P Rating below “B-”.

**“Class”** means all of the Notes having the same priority and the same Stated Maturity and all of the Preference Shares.

**“Class A/B Coverage Tests”** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class A Notes and Class B Notes.

**“Class C Coverage Tests”** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class C Notes.

**“Class C Deferred Interest”** means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C Notes.

**“Class D Coverage Tests”** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class D Notes.

**“Class D Deferred Interest”** means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class D Notes.

**“Class E Coverage Tests”** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class E Notes.

**“Class E Deferred Interest”** means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class E Notes.

**“Class Scenario Loss Rate”** means, with respect to any Class of Notes rated by S&P, an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, consistent with S&P’s rating of the Class of Notes on the Closing Date, determined by application of the S&P CDO Monitor.

**“Clearstream”** means Clearstream Banking, société anonyme, a corporation organized under the laws of the Duchy of Luxembourg.

**“Collateral Administration Agreement”** means the agreement dated as of the Closing Date among the Issuer, the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**“Collateral Administrator”** means the Bank in its capacity as collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement.

**“Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares”** means, with respect to any Payment Date, a Holder that has consented by delivering an irrevocable written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent to a distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds on such Payment Date, as described in “Description of the Securities—Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.”

**“Controlling Class”** means the Class A Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class A Notes are Outstanding; then the Class B Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class B Notes are Outstanding; then the Class C Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class C are Outstanding; the Class D Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class D Notes are Outstanding; and then the Class E Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class E Notes are Outstanding.

**“Corporate Trust Office”** means the corporate trust office of the Trustee at which the Trustee performs its duties under the Indenture, currently having an address of Corporate Trust Services, One Federal Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02110, telecopy no. (866) 350-3148, Attention: CDO Unit—Red River CLO Ltd. or any other address the Trustee designates from time to time by notice to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Issuer and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Trustee.

**“Credit Improved Obligation”** is any Collateral Obligation that (a) is sold pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange or (b) in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has improved in credit quality; *provided* that, in forming such judgment, a reduction in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment; and *provided*,

*further*, that, if a Credit Rating Event is in effect, such Collateral Obligation will be considered a Credit Improved Obligation only if in addition to the above:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been upgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing positive credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under the Indenture;

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced a reduction in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Servicer (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's);

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has increased by at least 1.00% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Servicer (*provided* that this subclause (iii)(x) will be deemed satisfied if Market Value increases to 101%), or (y) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more positive than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, plus 3.00%, over the same period; or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Improved Obligation if:

(i) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Improved Obligation; or

(ii) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Improved Obligation.

**"Credit Rating Event"** means an event that is in effect if the rating by Moody's:

(i) of the Class A Notes has been withdrawn or is one or more rating sub-categories below its Initial Rating; or

(ii) of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes has been withdrawn or is two or more rating sub-categories below its respective Initial Rating.

For the purposes of this definition, any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not be effective if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody's has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Class A Notes, or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**"Credit Risk Obligation"** means any Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has significantly declined in credit quality and has a significant risk, with a lapse of time, of becoming a Defaulted Collateral

Obligation; *provided* that in forming such judgment an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment.

So long as a Credit Rating Event is in effect, no Collateral Obligation shall be eligible to be a Credit Risk Obligation unless in addition to the above, as of the date of determination:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been downgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing negative credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under the Indenture;

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced an increase in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Servicer (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's);

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has decreased by at least 2.50% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Servicer, and (y) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more negative, or less positive, as the case may be, than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, less 3.00%, over the same period; or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation set forth in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) above, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Risk Obligation if:

(a) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Risk Obligation; or

(b) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Risk Obligation.

**"Current-Pay Obligation"** means a Collateral Obligation as to which:

(i) an insolvency event has occurred with respect to its obligor or as to which its obligor is rated "D" or "SD" by S&P or its obligor has previously been rated "CCC-" by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;

(ii) no default as to the payment of principal or interest with respect to the Collateral Obligation is then continuing and the Servicer has delivered to the Trustee an officer's certificate to the effect that the Servicer expects that the obligor will make payments on the Collateral Obligation as they become due;

(iii) (A) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is at least "Caa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is



at least equal to 80% of its Principal Balance or (B) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is less than "Caa1" or is "Caa1" and on credit watch with negative implications, the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 85% of its Principal Balance;

(iv) if an insolvency event has occurred with respect to the obligor of the Collateral Obligation, a bankruptcy court has authorized the payment of interest payable on the Collateral Obligation; and

(v) the Servicer has designated in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligation as a Current-Pay Obligation.

If the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations exceeds 5% of the Maximum Amount, all or a portion of one or more Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance equal to the amount of the excess shall not be Current-Pay Obligations (and will therefore be Defaulted Collateral Obligations). The Servicer shall designate in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligations that shall not be Current-Pay Obligations pursuant to the preceding sentence as the Collateral Obligations (or portions thereof) that have the lowest Market Value on any applicable date of determination.

The Servicer may, by notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator, change the definition of "Current-Pay Obligation" or how Current-Pay Obligations are treated in the Indenture, subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency.

**"Current Portfolio"** means, at any time, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations, Principal Proceeds held as cash on deposit in the Collection Account, and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account that exists before the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or before the acquisition of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**"Deep Discount Obligation"** means, until the average Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation, as determined daily for any period of 30 consecutive days, equals or exceeds 90%, any Collateral Obligation acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 85% of its Principal Balance. For such purpose, the Market Value Percentage of a Collateral Obligation on a day that is not a Business Day shall be deemed to be the Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation on the immediately preceding Business Day.

**"Defaulted Collateral Obligation"** means any Collateral Obligation or other obligation included in the Collateral:

(i) as to which a default in the payment of principal or interest is continuing beyond the lesser of three Business Days and any applicable grace or notice period, unless in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;

(ii) the maturity of all or a portion of the principal amount of such Collateral Obligation has been accelerated as a consequence of a default (other than any payment default) under the instruments evidencing or relating to such Collateral Obligation; unless such default or event of default has been fully cured or waived and is no longer continuing and such acceleration has been rescinded;

(iii) with respect to which there has been effected any distressed exchange or other debt restructuring where the obligor has offered the holders thereof a new security or instrument or package of securities or instruments that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the

Servicer, either (x) amounts to a diminished financial obligation or (y) has the sole purpose of enabling the obligor to avoid a default;

(iv) (1) that is *pari passu* with or subordinated to other indebtedness for borrowed money owing by its obligor (“**Other Indebtedness**”), (2) the obligor has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (without regard to any applicable grace or notice period and without regard to any waiver of the default) on the Other Indebtedness, unless, in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid on the Other Indebtedness and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation and (3) the Servicer, *provided* that the related Collateral Obligation has not been downgraded after the default on such Other Indebtedness has occurred, determines (in its commercially reasonable judgment) that such Other Indebtedness is material;

(v) (other than a Current-Pay Obligation or a DIP Loan) as to which:

- (A) an insolvency event has occurred with respect to its obligor; or
- (B) the obligation is rated “D”, “SD”, “C” or “CC” by S&P or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn, or has previously been rated “CCC-” or lower by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;

(vi) if the Collateral Obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation, it is rated “CC” or below by S&P, or it was rated “CC” or below by S&P but the rating has since been withdrawn, or it is rated “Ca” or below by Moody’s, or it was rated “C” or below by Moody’s but the rating has since been withdrawn;

(vii) that is a Participation that would, if the underlying Loan were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (v) above or with respect to which the Participating Institution has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Participation;

(viii) that is a Synthetic Security referencing a Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above or with respect to which the Synthetic Security Counterparty has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Synthetic Security; *provided, however*, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time: (x) a determination whether the Reference Obligations upon which such Synthetic Security is based would, if such Reference Obligations were Collateral Obligations, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each of the Reference Obligations on which such Synthetic Security is based in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation and (y) the “Defaulted Collateral Obligation” for purposes of this clause (viii) shall be limited to the Allocable Principal Balance of each Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above;

(ix) that is a Written-Down Obligation;

(x) that is a DIP Loan as to which an order has been entered converting the debtor’s chapter 11 case to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code; or

(xi) that is declared to be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation by the Servicer.

Any Collateral Obligation that is classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall cease to be so classified if the Collateral Obligation, at any date thereafter,

(1) would not otherwise be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this definition; and

(2) otherwise meets the Eligibility Criteria as of that date.

If any portion of a Collateral Obligation has a maturity later than one year after the Stated Maturity of the Notes due to a change in the payment schedule of the Collateral Obligation occurring after its acquisition by the Issuer, that portion of the Collateral Obligation shall be considered a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**“Defaulted Hedge Termination Payment”** means any termination payment required to be made by the Issuer to a Hedge Counterparty pursuant to a Hedge Agreement upon a termination of the Hedge Agreement in respect of which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**“Defaulted Interest”** means any interest payable in respect of any Class of Notes that is not punctually paid or duly provided for on the applicable Payment Date or at Stated Maturity.

**“Defaulted Interest Charge”** means to the extent lawful, interest on any Defaulted Interest at the Default Interest Rate.

**“Default Interest Rate”** means, with respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate equal to the Note Interest Rate payable on the Notes of the Class.

**“Deferred Interest Notes”** means the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**“Definitive Security”** means any Note or Certificated Preference Share that is registered in the name of the beneficial owner.

**“Delayed Drawdown Loan”** means a Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that:

(i) requires the Issuer to make one or more future advances to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments;

(ii) specifies a maximum amount that can be borrowed on one or more fixed borrowing dates; and

(iii) does not permit the re-borrowing of any amount previously repaid.

A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Delayed Drawdown Loan for so long as its unused commitment amount is greater than zero.

**“Depository” or “DTC”** means The Depository Trust Company and its nominees.

**“DIP Loan”** means any Loan:

(i) that has a rating assigned by Moody’s (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by Moody’s, the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by Moody’s within five Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer) and a rating assigned by S&P (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by S&P, the Servicer has

commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P within two Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer);

(ii) that is an obligation of a debtor in possession as described in Section 1107 of the Bankruptcy Code or a trustee (if appointment of a trustee has been ordered pursuant to Section 1104 of the Bankruptcy Code) (a “**Debtor**”) organized under the laws of the United States or any state of the United States; and

(iii) the terms of which have been approved by a final order of the United States Bankruptcy Court, United States District Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, the enforceability of which order is not subject to any pending contested matter or proceeding (as those terms are defined in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure) and which order provides that:

(A) the Loan is secured by liens on the Debtor’s otherwise unencumbered assets pursuant to Section 364(c)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code;

(B) the Loan is secured by liens of equal or senior priority on property of the Debtor’s estate that is otherwise subject to a lien pursuant to Section 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code;

(C) the Loan is fully secured (based on a current valuation or appraisal report) by junior liens on the Debtor’s encumbered assets; or

(D) if any portion of the Loan is unsecured, the repayment of the Loan retains priority over all other administrative expenses pursuant to Section 364(c)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code (and in the case of this clause (D), before the acquisition of the Loan, the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency).

“**Diversity Score**” is a single number that indicates collateral concentration in terms of both issuer and industry concentration, calculated as set forth in Schedule 4 to the Indenture.

“**Domicile**” or “**Domiciled**” means, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, (i) the jurisdiction of incorporation, organization or creation of the related obligor or (ii) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that would otherwise be considered to be domiciled pursuant to clause (i) in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction, the jurisdiction in which, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the related obligor conducts substantially all of its business operations and in which the assets primarily responsible for generating its revenues are located.

“**Due Period**” means, with respect to any Payment Date, for all purposes other than payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements, the period from the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date, from the Closing Date) up to but excluding the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the Payment Date (or in the case of the final Payment Date or any Payment Date that is a Redemption Date, through the Business Day before the Payment Date and for payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements the period from the day after the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date from the Closing Date) through the Payment Date).

“**Eligible Country**” means the United States, Canada and any country classified by Moody’s as a Moody’s Group I Country, Moody’s Group II Country or Moody’s Group III Country and, in each case, has an S&P foreign currency rating of at least “AA” by S&P; *provided* that such country has not imposed currency exchange controls.

**“Eligible Equity Security”** mean an equity security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation by, or on behalf of, the Issuer that (i) is publicly traded on an Established Securities Market or (ii) the Market Value of which is higher than the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation with respect to which such equity security has been acquired by the Issuer.

**“Eligible Investments”** means any Dollar-denominated obligation or asset that, when it is pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee under the Indenture, is one or more of the following:

- (i) Cash;
- (ii) direct Registered obligations of, and Registered obligations the timely payment of principal and interest on which is fully and expressly guaranteed by, the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States the obligations of which are expressly backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, which in each case are not zero coupon securities;
- (iii) demand and time deposits in, trust accounts, certificates of deposit payable within 91 days of issuance of, bankers’ acceptances payable within 91 days of issuance issued by, or Federal funds sold by any depository institution or trust company incorporated under the laws of the United States or any state thereof and subject to supervision and examination by Federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or the debt obligations of such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company), at the time of such acquisition or contractual commitment providing for such acquisition and throughout the term thereof, have a credit rating of not less than “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade, or “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by S&P in the case of commercial paper and short-term debt obligations; *provided* that in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than “AA-” by S&P and “Aa3” by Moody’s and a short-term rating of “A-1+” by S&P and “P-1” by Moody’s, and if so rated, is not on watch for downgrade;
- (iv) commercial paper or other short-term obligations with a maturity of not more than 183 days from the date of issuance and having at the time of such acquisition a credit rating of at least “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by S&P; *provided* that, in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than “Aa2” by Moody’s, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;
- (v) unleveraged repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clause (b) above entered into with a U.S. federal or state depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (iii) above or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose long-term credit rating is not less than “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade or whose short-term credit rating is “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by S&P at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof; *provided* that, if such repurchase obligation has a maturity of longer than 91 days, the counterparty thereto must also have at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof a long-term credit rating of not less than “Aa2” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;
- (vi) any money market fund or similar vehicle having at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof a credit rating of “MR1+” by Moody’s and “AAAm” by S&P; including any fund for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee serves as an investment adviser, administrator, shareholder servicing agent, custodian or subcustodian, notwithstanding that (A) the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses from such funds for services rendered (*provided* that such charges, fees and expenses are on terms consistent with terms negotiated at arm’s length) and (B) the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses for services rendered, pursuant to the Indenture;

(vii) a guaranteed reinvestment agreement from a bank (if treated as a deposit by such bank), insurance company or other corporation or entity organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (if treated as debt by such insurance company or other corporation or entity), providing for periodic payments thereunder during each Due Period; *provided* that each such agreement provides that it is terminable by the purchaser, without premium or penalty, in the event that the rating assigned to such agreement by either Moody's or S&P is at any time lower than the then current ratings assigned to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes; *provided, further*, that, at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof, the issuer of such agreement has a senior unsecured long-term debt rating, issuer rating or counterparty rating of at least "Aaa" by Moody's, a short-term debt rating of "P-1" by Moody's (and not on watch for downgrade), a short-term debt rating of at least "A-1+" by S&P and a long-term debt rating of at least "AAA" by S&P (and not on watch for downgrade); and

(viii) such other obligations or assets for which Rating Confirmation has been received;

and, in each case, with a stated maturity (giving effect to any applicable grace period) no later than the Business Day before the Payment Date next succeeding the date of acquisition.

Eligible Investments on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account must have a stated maturity no later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase.

Eligible Investments may not include:

(1) any interest-only security, any security purchased at a price in excess of 100% of its par value, or any security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer;

(2) any security whose rating assigned by S&P includes the subscript "r," "t," "p," "pi," or "q";

(3) any floating rate security whose interest rate is inversely or otherwise not proportionately related to an interest rate index or is calculated as other than the sum of an interest rate index plus a spread (which spread may be zero);

(4) any security that is subject to an exchange or tender offer; or

(5) any security that has payments subject to foreign or United States withholding tax.

Eligible Investments may include Eligible Investments for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee provides services. Eligible Investments may not include obligations principally secured by real property.

**"Emerging Market Security"** means a security or obligation issued by a sovereign or non-sovereign issuer located in a country (excluding the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Netherlands Antilles, and the Channel Islands):

(i) that is in Latin America, Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, or the Caribbean; or

(ii) the long-term foreign currency debt obligations of which are rated below "Aa2" or "Aa2" and on credit watch with negative implications by Moody's or the foreign currency issuer credit rating of which is below "AA" by S&P.

**“Euroclear”** means Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear system.

**“Excel Default Model Input File”** means an electronic spreadsheet file in Microsoft excel format to be provided to S&P, which file shall include the balance of Cash and Eligible Investments in each account and the following information (to the extent such information is not confidential) with respect to each Collateral Obligation:

(a) the name and country of domicile of the issuer thereof and the particular obligation or security held by the Issuer,

(b) the CUSIP or other applicable identification number associated with such Collateral Obligation,

(c) the par value of such Collateral Obligation,

(d) the type of obligation or security (including, by way of example, whether such Collateral Obligation is a bond, loan or asset-backed security), using such abbreviations as may be selected by the Trustee,

(e) a description of the index or other applicable benchmark upon which the interest payable on such Collateral Obligation is based (including, by way of example, fixed rate, step-up rate, zero coupon and LIBOR),

(f) the coupon (in the case of a Collateral Obligation which bears interest at a fixed rate) or the spread over the applicable index (in the case of a Collateral Obligation which bears interest at a floating rate),

(g) the S&P Industry Classification for such Collateral Obligation,

(h) the stated maturity date of such Collateral Obligation,

(i) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation or the issuer thereof, as applicable,

(j) the applicable S&P Priority Category, and

(k) such other information as the Trustee may determine to include in such file.

**“Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations”** means the Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations in excess of 7.5% of the Maximum Amount on the relevant Determination Date.

**“Excluded Property”** means (i) U.S.\$250 (attributable to the issue and allotment of the Issuer Ordinary Shares) and a U.S.\$250 transaction fee paid to the Issuer, the bank account in which those amounts are credited in the Cayman Islands and any interest earned on those amounts and (ii) any amounts credited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account from time to time.

**“Extension”** means an extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test in accordance with the Indenture.

**“Extension Bonus Payment”** means, with respect to each Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable beneficial owner set forth in “Description of the Securities— Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date” in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Class A Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class B Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (3) in the case of the Class C Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date,

(4) in the case of the Class D Notes, 0.50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date and (5) in the case of the Class E Notes, 0.50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

**“Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification”** means, with respect to each Maturity Extension and each beneficial owner of Notes other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such beneficial owner acceptable to the Issuer to the effect that it held Notes other than Extension Sale Securities on the applicable Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof in the case of the Notes and wire transfer instructions for the Extension Bonus Payment and any required documentation thereunder.

**“Extension Determination Date”** means the 8<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to each Extension Effective Date.

**“Extension Purchase Price”** means the purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with each Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the applicable Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date) and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares and the Holding Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be, since the Closing Date would cause such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a “Payment Date” under the Indenture); *provided, however*, that if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, shall be zero.

**“Extension Qualifying Purchasers”** means Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Extension Sale Securities from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date”; “Extension Qualifying Purchasers” shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Placement Agents, the Investors Corp. Placement Agents or any of their respective Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; *provided however*, none of the Servicer, the Placement Agents, the Investors Corp. Placement Agents or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

**“Face Amount”** means, with respect to any Preference Share or Holding Preference Share, the amount set forth therein as the “face amount” thereof, which “face amount” shall be \$1,000 per Preference Share or Holding Preference Share.

**“Finance Lease”** means a lease agreement or other agreement entered into in connection with and evidencing a Leasing Finance Transaction.

**“Fixed Rate Excess”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose numerator is the product of:

- (i) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date over the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test; and



(ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date;

and whose denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Fixed Rate Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Spread Excess were equal to zero.

**“Floating Rate Notes”** means the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**“Floating Rate Obligation”** means any Collateral Obligation that bears interest based on a floating rate index.

**“Form-Approved Synthetic Security”** means a Synthetic Security:

(i) (A) each of the Reference Obligations of which satisfy the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and could be purchased by the Issuer without any required action by the Rating Agencies, without satisfaction of the Rating Condition or which the Rating Agencies have otherwise approved; or

(B) each of the Reference Obligations of which would satisfy clause (A) above but for the currency in which the Reference Obligation is payable and the Synthetic Security is payable in Dollars, does not provide for physical settlement, and does not expose the Issuer to Dollar currency risk;

(ii) the Synthetic Security Agreement of which conforms (but for the amount and timing of periodic payments, the name of the Reference Obligation, the notional amount, the effective date, the termination date, and other similar necessary changes) to a form that has been expressly identified and approved in writing in connection with a request under the Indenture by Moody’s and S&P;

(iii) a copy of the Synthetic Security Agreement of which has been delivered to the Holders of the Class A Notes by the Trustee at the expense of the Co-Issuers and upon being furnished with a copy of the same by the Servicer; and

(iv) that is with a counterparty with respect to which the Rating Condition has been satisfied by each of Moody’s and S&P prior to the acquisition of any such Form-Approved Synthetic Security, and such approval has not been withdrawn.

Moody’s or S&P may at any time, by notice to the Servicer, withdraw its approval of any such form. A withdrawal of approval shall have no effect on any Synthetic Security acquired, entered into, or committed to before the date on which the Servicer receives the notice of withdrawal.

**“Hedge Agreements”** means, collectively, all interest rate cap or interest rate swap agreements between the Issuer and any Hedge Counterparty, and any replacement agreement entered into pursuant to the Indenture.

**“Hedge Counterparty”** means IXIS Financial Products, currently having an address of 9 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street, 36<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10019, or any other counterparty, to the extent that when the Issuer enters into any Hedge Agreement with IXIS Financial Products or the other counterparty, IXIS Financial Products or the other counterparty satisfies the requirements of the Indenture, including, in the case of any other counterparty, to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency.

**“Hedge Termination Receipt”** means any termination payment paid by the Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer upon any early termination of a Hedge Agreement with respect to which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**“High-Yield Bond”** means any debt security, other than a Loan or a Structured Finance Obligation, that is either Registered or, if not Registered, (i) it is issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States, (ii) the payments on it are not subject to United States withholding tax and (iii) it is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**“Holder”** means, of any Note, the person whose name appears on the Indenture Register as the registered holder of the Note; of any Preference Share, the person whose name appears in the Preference Share register related thereto as the registered holder of such Preference Share and of any Holding Preference Share, the person whose name appears in the Holding Preference Share register related thereto as the registered holder of such Holding Preference Share.

**“Holding Preference Share Documents”** means Investors Corp.’s memorandum and articles of association, the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the resolutions of Investors Corp.’s board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Holding Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

**“Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return”** means, with respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the “XIRR” function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for each distribution made to the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date, assuming all Holding Preference Shares are purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount.

**“Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement”** means The Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, by and between Investors Corp. and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

**“Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent”** means U.S. Bank National Association, in its capacity as holding preference shares paying agent under the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the holding preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter “Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent” shall mean such successor Person.

**“Indenture Registrar”** means the Bank in its capacity as Indenture registrar as provided in the Indenture.

**“Indenture Register”** means the register caused to be kept by the Issuer for the purpose of registering Notes and transfers of the Notes as provided in the Indenture.

**“Initial Consent Period”** means the period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee mailed notice of a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of Securities.

**“Initial Rating”** means, the ratings by Moody’s and S&P with respect to each Class of Notes provided in the table in “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.”

**“Interest Period”** means, initially, the period from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the first Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date.

**“Interest Proceeds”** means, with respect to any Due Period, the sum (without duplication) of all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period (or as otherwise specified below) by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are:

- (i) payments of interest, fees, and commissions (excluding (A) Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal, (B) interest and dividends on Workout Assets, (C) fees and commissions from Defaulted Collateral Obligations, and (D) syndication and other up-front fees and any up-front fixed payments received in connection with entering into a Synthetic Security);
- (ii) any portion of the Sale Proceeds of a Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) representing Accrued Interest On Sale;
- (iii) all payments of principal on, or disposition proceeds from the sale of, Eligible Investments to the extent purchased with Interest Proceeds;
- (iv) payments with respect to the Hedge Agreements received on or before the related Payment Date (other than any amount payable thereunder because of any early termination or notional amount reduction), but not any Sale Proceeds from any of these instruments (except to the extent that they were purchased with Interest Proceeds);
- (v) all fees received pursuant to any Securities Lending Agreements;
- (vi) amounts in the Collection Account designated for distribution as Interest Proceeds pursuant to the Priority of Payments (including any amount transferred from the Interest Reserve Account);
- (vii) all earnings on amounts in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account and the Revolving Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.3(b) of the Indenture;
- (viii) amounts in the Expense Reimbursement Account on the Payment Date for the relevant Due Period;
- (ix) any recoveries (including interest) received on a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in excess of the principal balance of such Defaulted Collateral Obligation (as of the date the related Collateral Obligation became a Defaulted Collateral Obligation).

Interest Proceeds shall not include the Excluded Property and Interest Proceeds shall not include earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

Each reference in the definition of “Interest Proceeds” to a Collateral Obligation shall include a Collateral Obligation that has been loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and Interest Proceeds shall include any amounts referred to in clauses (i) through (iii) above received by the Issuer in respect of the Collateral Obligation indirectly from the related Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement.

With respect to any Payment Date, Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Interest Proceeds due and payable on such Payment Date to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date that are distributed to such Holders by way of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of Cash pursuant to “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds.

**“Investors Corp. Placement Agency Agreement”** means a placement agency agreement dated July 21, 2006 among Investors Corp. and IXIS Securities North America Inc. as lead manager on behalf of the Investors Corp. Placement Agents relating to the placement of the Placed Shares, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**“Investors Corp. Placement Agents”** means IXIS Securities North America Inc. and IXIS Corporate & Investment Bank.

**“Issuer Charter”** means the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Issuer, as amended and restated before the Closing Date or in accordance with the Indenture.

**“Issuer Order”** and **“Issuer Request”** means a written order or request dated and signed in the name of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp. by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp., as applicable, or by the Servicer by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

**“Junior Class”** means, with respect to a particular Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that is subordinated to that Class.

**“Leasing Finance Transaction”** means any transaction pursuant to which the obligations of the lessee to pay rent or other amounts on a triple net basis under any lease of (or other arrangement conveying the right to use) real or personal property, or a combination thereof, are required to be classified and accounted for as a capital lease on a balance sheet of such lessee under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America; but only if (a) such lease or other transaction provides for the unconditional obligation of the lessee to pay a stated amount of principal no later than a stated maturity date, together with interest thereon, and the payment of such obligation is not subject to any material non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer, (b) the obligations of the lessee in respect of such lease or other transaction are fully secured, directly or indirectly, by the property that is the subject of such lease and (c) the interest held by the Issuer in respect of such lease or other transaction is treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

**“Loan”** means any interest in a fully committed, senior secured, unsecured, or revolving loan (including loans involving credit linked deposits) that is acquired by assignment or by Participation (including any DIP Loan) that is either:

- (i) Registered; or
- (ii) issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States;
  - (A) whose payments are not subject to United States withholding tax; and
  - (B) that is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**“Long-Dated Collateral Obligation”** means any Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturity of the Notes other than a Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturities of the Notes that includes a “put” option to its obligor at a price of at least par payable on or before the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

**“Majority”** means, with respect to any Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**“Margin Stock”** means “Margin Stock” as defined under Regulation U issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, including any debt security that is by its terms convertible into Margin Stock, but does not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation received pursuant to an offer by an issuer of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**“Market Value”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) based upon the Servicer’s commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the lower of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the bid-side prices for the purchase of the Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer).

If a Market Value of any Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined in accordance with the procedures set out in the previous paragraph for a period of 30 consecutive days then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero; *provided*, that during such 30 day period, such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the lower of (i) the product of (x) the Principal Balance of such Collateral Obligation multiplied by (y) 1.25 multiplied by (z) the applicable S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate and (ii) the current market value of such Collateral Obligation as determined by the Servicer in its commercially reasonable judgment; *provided, further*, that the maximum amount of Collateral Obligations having a Market Value assigned pursuant to the immediately preceding proviso shall be limited to 5.0% of the Maximum Amount (and any amount in excess of 5.0% of the Maximum Amount shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero). For the avoidance of doubt, the procedures set out in this paragraph should not apply to determinations of Market Value of any Eligible Equity Securities.

The Servicer is under no obligation to determine the Market Value of the Collateral Obligations other than as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or the Indenture or to comply with any of its duties as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or in the Indenture.

**“Market Value Determination Date”** means, with respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities, one Business Day prior to the date of the notice distributed by the Issuer to the Holders of the Preference Shares in connection with such distribution.

**“Market Value Percentage”** means, for any Collateral Obligation, the ratio obtained by dividing:

- (i) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation; by
- (ii) the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Maximum Amount”** means an amount equal to:

- (i) on any Measurement Date during the Ramp-Up Period, U.S.\$880,700,000; and
- (ii) on any Measurement Date after the Ramp-Up Completion Date:

(A) the aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations plus the aggregate outstanding principal amount of any Defaulted Collateral Obligations; *plus*

(B) cash representing Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*

(C) Eligible Investments (other than cash) purchased by the Issuer with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account.

**“Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the sum of (i) the number set forth in the column entitled “Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolation between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable) *plus* (ii) the Recovery Rate Modifier.

**“Measurement Date”** means any date:

- (i) on which the Issuer commits to acquire or dispose of any Collateral Obligation;
- (ii) on which a Collateral Obligation becomes a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
- (iii) that is a Determination Date;
- (iv) that is the Ramp-Up Completion Date;
- (v) that is the date as of which the information in a Monthly Report is calculated pursuant to the Indenture; and,

with respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities only,

- (vi) that is the Market Value Determination Date.

**“Minimum Diversity Score”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a score equal to the number set forth in the column entitled “Minimum Diversity Score” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**“Minimum Weighted Average Spread”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the spread equal to the percentage set forth in the row entitled “Minimum Weighted Average Spread” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**“Monthly Report”** means a monthly report compiled and provided by the Issuer.

**“Moody’s Default Probability Rating”** means with respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (i) with respect to a Moody’s Senior Secured Loan:
  - (A) if the Loan’s obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody’s, such corporate family rating; and
  - (B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody’s Obligation Rating of such Loan;
  - (C) if the preceding clauses do not apply, the rating that is one subcategory above the Moody’s Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating;
- (ii) with respect to a Moody’s Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond, the Moody’s Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating of such Collateral Obligation;

(iii) with respect to a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the rating that is one rating subcategory below the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof;

(iv) with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof (or, if the obligation does not have an Assigned Moody's Rating but has a rating by S&P, then the Moody's Default Probability Rating shall be:

(x) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher, or

(y) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; and

and

(v) with respect to a Synthetic Security, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down (if on watch for downgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories or adjusted up (if on watch for upgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture, if a Moody's Default Probability Rating is withdrawn by Moody's with respect to a Collateral Obligation, the Issuer will continue using the latest Moody's Default Probability Rating available immediately prior to such withdrawal until a bankruptcy event occurs with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating"** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation that is a Loan or bond and the obligor thereof, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

(i) if the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating;

(ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's "Issuer Rating" for the obligor;

(iii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating; then

(A) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "B3" (and, if rated "B3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one rating subcategory higher than such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(B) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "B3" (or rated "B3" and on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be such Assigned Moody's Rating;

(iv) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating; then:

(A) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "Caa3" (and, if rated "Caa3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one subcategory below such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(B) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "Caa3" (or rated "Caa3" and on watch for downgrade), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be "C";

(v) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but such obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be one rating subcategory below such corporate family rating;

(vi) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(D) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; or

(E) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's of (a) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating no lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (vi)(C), or clauses (vii)(C) or (viii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(vii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(B) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (iii) above; or

(C) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (a) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (vii)(C), or clauses (vi)(C) or (viii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(viii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:



(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(B) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (iv) above; or

(C) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (a) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within two Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (viii)(C), or clause (vi)(C) or (vii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(ix) if the preceding clauses do not apply and each of the following clauses (A) through (H) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa1":

(A) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings;

(B) no debt securities or obligations of the obligor are in default;

(C) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates has defaulted on any debt during the preceding two years;

(D) the obligor has been in existence for the preceding five years;

(E) the obligor is current on any cumulative dividends;

(F) the fixed-charge ratio for the obligor exceeds 125% for each of the preceding two fiscal years and for the most recent quarter;

(G) the obligor had a net profit before tax in the past fiscal year and the most recent quarter; and

(H) the annual financial statements of such obligor are unqualified and certified by a firm of Independent accountants of international reputation, and quarterly statements are unaudited but signed by a corporate officer;

(x) if the preceding clauses do not apply but each of the following clauses (A) and (B) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa3":

(A) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings; and

(B) no debt security or obligation of such obligor has been in default during the past two years; and

(xi) if the preceding clauses do not apply and a debt security or obligation of the obligor has been in default during the past two years, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Ca."

Notwithstanding the foregoing, not more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may consist of Relevant Obligations given a Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating based on a rating given by S&P as provided in clauses (vi), (vii) and (viii) above.

**“Moody's Group I Country”** means any of the following countries: Australia, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group I Country.

**“Moody's Group II Country”** means any of the following countries: Germany, Ireland, Sweden, Switzerland and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group II Country.

**“Moody's Group III Country”** means any of the following countries: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, Spain and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group III Country.

**“Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the number obtained by (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate, (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations and (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

**“Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan”** means any Loan that is not a Moody's Senior Secured Loan.

**“Moody's Obligation Rating”** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (i) With respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:
  - (A) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or
  - (B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the rating that is one rating subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and
- (ii) With respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond:
  - (A) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or
  - (B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and
- (iii) With respect to a Synthetic Security or a DIP Loan, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

**“Moody's Priority Category”** means each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of “Applicable Percentage” as a “Moody's Priority Category.”

**“Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate”** means for any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of “Applicable Percentage” opposite the Moody's Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Moody’s Rating”** means the Moody’s Default Probability Rating; *provided* that, with respect to the Collateral Obligations generally, if at any time Moody’s or any successor to it ceases to provide rating services, references to rating categories of Moody’s in the Indenture shall be deemed instead to be references to the equivalent categories of any other nationally recognized investment rating agency selected by the Servicer, as of the most recent date on which such other rating agency and Moody’s published ratings for the type of security in respect of which such alternative rating agency is used.

**“Moody’s Rating Factor”** means the number in the table below opposite the rating of the Collateral Obligation (excluding Synthetic Securities where an Assigned Moody’s Rating is not available).

<b>Moody’s Rating</b>	<b>Moody’s Rating Factor</b>	<b>Moody’s Rating</b>	<b>Moody’s Rating Factor</b>
Aaa	1	Ba1	940
Aa1	10	Ba2	1350
Aa2	20	Ba3	1766
Aa3	40	B1	2220
A1	70	B2	2720
A2	120	B3	3490
A3	180	Caa1	4770
Baa1	260	Caa2	6500
Baa2	360	Caa3	8070
Baa3	610	Ca or lower	10000

The Moody’s Rating Factor for Collateral Obligations that are Synthetic Securities shall be determined by Moody’s and obtained by the Issuer or the Servicer on a case-by-case basis, unless there is an Assigned Moody’s Rating available for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, in which case such Assigned Moody’s Rating shall be used to compute the Moody’s Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security.

The Moody’s Rating Factor for any Collateral Obligation that is a Structured Finance Security shall be equal to:  $\frac{A \times 55\%}{1 - B}$ ,

where: “A” means the number determined with respect to such Collateral Obligation pursuant to the table above; and

“B” means the Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

**“Moody’s Senior Secured Loan”** means:

(i) a Loan that:

(A) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan;

(B) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor’s obligations under the Loan; and

(C) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal seniority secured by a first lien or security interest in the same collateral; or

(ii) a Loan that:

(A) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan, other than, with respect to a Loan described in clause (i) above, with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such loan;

(B) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan;

(C) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by a first or second lien or security interest in the same collateral; and

(D) has been assigned a Moody's Obligation Rating equal to or higher than the applicable Moody's Default Probability Rating; and

(iii) the Loan is not: (A) a DIP Loan, (B) a Loan for which the security interest or lien (or the validity or effectiveness thereof) in substantially all of its collateral attaches, becomes effective, or otherwise "springs" into existence after the origination thereof, or (C) a type of loan that Moody's has identified as having unusual terms and with respect to which its Moody's Recovery Rate has been or is to be determined on a case-by-case basis.

**"Non-Consenting Holder"** means with respect to any supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, any Holder or, in the case of Securities represented by Global Notes, any beneficial owner, that either (i) has delivered to the Trustee a written notice that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) had not consented to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

**"Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder"** means with respect to any supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, any Holder of Holding Preference Shares that either (i) has directed Investors Corp. not to consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) has not provided Investors Corp. with any direction with respect to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

**"Non-Performing Collateral Obligation"** means any Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any PIK Security as to which its issuer or obligor has previously deferred or capitalized any interest due on it and all the interest so deferred or capitalized has not subsequently been paid in full in cash by:

(i) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above, the earlier of its second payment date or one year following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it; or

(ii) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "Baa3," or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" and on credit watch with

negative implications or below “BBB-,” the earlier of its first payment date or six months following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it.

“**Notes**” means the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

“**Noteholder**” means a Holder of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes.

“**Note Payment Sequence**” means the application of funds in the following order:

- (1) to the Class A Notes until the Class A Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (2) to the Class B Notes until the Class B Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (3) to the Class C Notes until the Class C Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (5) to the Class D Notes until the Class D Notes have been fully redeemed; and
- (6) to the Class E Notes until the Class E Notes have been fully redeemed.

“**Offer**” means any Collateral Obligation that is subject to a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion or other similar action.

“**Officer**” means, with respect to the Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to the Co-Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to any partnership, any of its general partners; and with respect to the Trustee, any Trust Officer.

“**Outstanding**” means, with respect to:

(i) the Notes or any specified Class, as of any date of determination, all of the Notes or all of the Notes of the specified Class, as the case may be, theretofore authenticated and delivered under the Indenture, except with respect to Notes:

(A) Notes canceled by the Indenture Registrar or delivered to the Indenture Registrar for cancellation;

(B) Notes for whose payment or redemption funds in the necessary amount have been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for their Holders pursuant to Section 4.1(a)(ii) of the Indenture and if the Notes are to be redeemed, notice of redemption has been duly given pursuant to the Indenture;

(C) Notes in exchange for or in lieu of which other Notes have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to the Indenture; and

(D) Notes alleged to have been destroyed, lost, or stolen for which replacement Notes have been issued as provided in Section 2.7 of the Indenture, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Notes are held by a protected purchaser;

(ii) the Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Preference Share Documents and listed in the Preference Share register of the Issuer as outstanding;

(iii) the Holding Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Holding Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Holding Preference Share Documents and listed in the Holding Preference Share register of Investors Corp. as outstanding;

*provided* that, in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Transaction Securities have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver under the Transaction Documents, Transaction Securities owned or beneficially owned by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, any Affiliate of either of them and, with respect to any matter affecting its status as Servicer or appointment of a replacement Servicer or relating to an acceleration of any Class of Notes if the effect of the Servicer's action or inaction as a Holder of Transaction Securities would effectively prevent acceleration, the Servicer, its Affiliates and any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (other than, with respect to Notes or Class II Preference Shares, HFP or any of its subsidiaries; *provided* that, with respect to the voting authority of Notes or Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) shall be disregarded and not be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver, only Securities that a Trust Officer of the Trustee (or with respect to the Preference Shares and Holding Preference Shares, only Preference Shares and Holding Preference Shares that an authorized officer of the Preference Shares Paying Agent or Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable) has actual knowledge to be so owned or beneficially owned shall be so disregarded. Transaction Securities so owned or beneficially owned that have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, the pledgee's right so to act with respect to the Transaction Securities and that the pledgee is independent from the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent.

**"Participating Institution"** means an institution that creates a participation interest and that has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" (and if so rated by Moody's such rating is not on watch for possible downgrade) and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A".

**"Participation"** means a Loan acquired as a participation interest created by a Participating Institution.

**"Permitted Offer"** means a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion, or other similar action pursuant to which the offeror offers to acquire a debt obligation (including a Collateral Obligation) in exchange solely for cash in an amount equal to or greater than the full face amount of the debt obligation plus any accrued and unpaid interest and as to which the Servicer has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the offeror has sufficient access to financing to consummate the tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion, or other similar action.

**"PIK Cash-Pay Interest"** means, as to any PIK Security, the portion of interest required to be paid in cash (and not permitted to be added to the balance of such PIK Security or otherwise deferred and accrued) thereon pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments.

**"PIK Security"** means any loan or debt obligation on which any portion of the interest accrued for a specified period of time or until the maturity thereof is, or at the option of the obligor may be, added to the principal balance of such loan or debt obligation or otherwise deferred rather than being paid in cash; *provided* that such loan or debt obligation shall not be a PIK Security if the portion, if any, of such interest required pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments to be paid in Cash would result in the outstanding principal amount of such loan or debt obligation having an effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest at least equal to (i) if such loan or debt obligation is a fixed rate loan or debt obligation, 4% per annum, or (ii) if such loan or debt obligation is a floating rate loan or debt obligation, LIBOR.

**“Pledged Obligations”** means, as of any date of determination, the Collateral Obligations, the Workout Assets, the Eligible Investments, and any other securities or obligations that have been granted to the Trustee that form part of the Collateral.

**“Person”** is an individual, corporation (including a business trust), partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust (including any beneficiary thereof), unincorporated association or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

**“Portfolio Improvement Exchange”** means, the disposition, during the Replacement Period, of a Collateral Obligation and corresponding acquisition of one or more Collateral Obligations which in the aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Test, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied (or bring the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations closer to compliance with any such test or limitation) or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith would be improved and (ii) improving, on a net basis, the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test and Concentration Limitations and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased.

**“Preference Share Internal Rate of Return”** means, with respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the “XIRR” function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for the following cash flows, assuming all Preference Shares are purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount:

(i) each distribution of Interest Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date; and

(ii) each distribution of Principal Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date.

**“Preference Shares Paying Agent Agreement”** means a Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of August 3, 2006, between the Issuer and U.S. Bank National Association, as Preference Shares Paying Agent.

**“Preference Shares Distribution Account”** means a separate segregated non-interest bearing trust account established by the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deposit all amounts received from the Issuer and payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares under the Priority of Payments.

**“Preference Shares Notional Amount”** means, as of the Closing Date, \$81,000,000, and thereafter as increased each time additional Preference Shares are issued in accordance with the Preference Share Documents.

**“Preference Shares Paying Agent”** means U.S. Bank National Association in its capacity as Preference Shares Paying Agent under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter “Preference Shares Paying Agent” shall mean such successor person.

**“Principal Balance”** means, with respect to:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those specifically covered in this definition, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Pledged Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest, zero, except as otherwise expressly specified in the Indenture;
- (iv) any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, except as otherwise provided, zero;
- (v) any Collateral Obligation that has been loaned, its Principal Balance shall be reduced by the excess of the amount of collateral required over the actual Market Value of the collateral;
- (vi) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance shall include any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer’s obligation to fund the unfunded amount), except as otherwise expressly specified in the Indenture;
- (vii) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance shall not include any principal amount of the PIK Security representing previously deferred or capitalized interest; and
- (viii) any obligation or security that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, zero.

**“Principal Proceeds”** means with respect to any Due Period, all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are not Interest Proceeds.

Principal Proceeds shall include any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account into the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.2 of the Indenture.

Principal Proceeds do not include the Excluded Property or earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

At any time when an “event of default” under a Securities Lending Agreement has occurred and is continuing, any payments received by the Issuer from the related Securities Lending Collateral shall be Principal Proceeds.

**“Priority Class”** means, with respect to any specified Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that ranks senior to that Class.

**“Proceeding”** means any suit in equity, action at law, or other judicial or administrative proceeding.

**“Proposed Portfolio”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations and Principal Proceeds held as cash on deposit in the Collection Account and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account resulting from the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or a proposed purchase of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**“Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance”** means, for any Collateral Obligation other than Deep Discount Obligations, its Principal Balance; and for any Deep Discount Obligation its Purchase Price; *provided, however*, that if any Excess CCC+/Caal Collateral Obligations exist, the Purchase Criteria



Adjusted Balance for the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations shall be the lower of (i) the weighted average Market Value of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances and (ii) the product of (a) 70% and (b) their respective Principal Balance.

**“Purchase Price”** means, with respect to the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (other than any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation), the net purchase price paid by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation. The net purchase price is determined by subtracting from the purchase price the amount of any Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal and any syndication and other upfront fees paid to the Issuer and by adding the amount of any related transaction costs (including assignment fees) paid by the Issuer to the seller of the Collateral Obligation or its agent.

**“Purchase Price Amount”** means, respect to any Collateral Obligation on any date of determination, the product of (i) the Purchase Price (stated as a percentage) thereof and (ii) the Principal Balance thereof on such date.

**“Qualified Equity Security”** means any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that is stock or evidence of an interest in or a right to buy stock, or any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation but whose acquisition otherwise is a transaction in stocks or securities within the meaning of Section 864(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Code and the regulations under the Code. Qualified Equity Securities do not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation and that will cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in or having income from a United States trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes by virtue of its ownership or disposition of the obligation (without regard to the Issuer’s other activities).

**“Ramp-Up Period”** means the period from and including the Closing Date to and including the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

**“Rating Agency”** means, each of Moody’s and S&P or, with respect to Pledged Obligations generally, if at any time Moody’s or S&P ceases to provide rating services with respect to high yield debt securities, any other nationally recognized statistical rating organization selected by the Issuer and reasonably satisfactory to a Majority of each Class of Notes. If at any time Moody’s ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of Moody’s in the Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and Moody’s published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used. If at any time S&P ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of S&P in the Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and S&P published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used.

**“Rating Condition”** means, with respect to any Rating Agency and any action taken or to be taken under the Indenture, a condition that is satisfied when the Rating Agency has confirmed to the Servicer (as agent for the Issuer) in writing that no withdrawal, reduction, suspension, or other adverse action with respect to any then current rating by it (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes will occur as a result of the action. The Rating Condition with respect to any Rating Agency shall be satisfied for all purposes of the Indenture at any time when no Outstanding Notes are rated by it.

**“Rating Confirmation”** means confirmation in writing from each Rating Agency that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes.

**“Ratings Matrix”** means the “row/column combination” of the table below selected by the Servicer on the Closing Date to apply initially for purposes of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test. Thereafter, on notice to the Trustee, the Servicer may select a different row of the Ratings Matrix to apply, or may interpolate between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable, on a straight-line basis and round the results to two decimal points.

Minimum Weighted Average Spread	Minimum Diversity Score						
	50	55	60	65	70	75	80
2.25%	2120	2150	2180	2210	2240	2270	2300
2.35%	2180	2210	2240	2270	2300	2330	2360
2.45%	2240	2270	2300	2330	2360	2390	2420
2.55%	2300	2330	2360	2390	2420	2450	2480
2.65%	2360	2390	2420	2450	2480	2510	2540
2.75%	2420	2450	2480	2510	2540	2570	2600
2.85%	2480	2510	2540	2570	2600	2630	2660
2.95%	2540	2570	2600	2630	2660	2690	2720
3.05%	2600	2630	2660	2690	2720	2750	2780
Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor							

**“Recovery Rate Modifier”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the lesser of 60 and the product of:

(i) (a) the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate *minus* the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test (but not less than zero) *multiplied* by (b) 100; and

(ii) 40.

**“Redemption Date”** means any Payment Date specified for an Optional Redemption under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

**“Redemption Price”** means, with respect to any Note and any Optional Redemption, an amount equal to:

- (i) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of the Note being redeemed; *plus*
- (ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest); *plus*
- (iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note; *plus*
- (iv) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

With respect to any Preference Share and any Optional Redemption, “Redemption Price” means (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares of the remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications pursuant to the Priority of Payments or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case as specified in “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares.”

**“Reference Obligation”** means an obligation that would otherwise satisfy the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and on which a Synthetic Security is based.

**“Registered”** means, with respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment, means that it is issued after July 18, 1984 and is in registered form within the meaning of Section 881(c)(2)(B)(i) of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.

**“Regulation D”** means Regulation D under the Securities Act.

**“Relevant Obligation”** means, for a Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security, and otherwise the Collateral Obligation.

**“Removal Buy-Out Purchaser”** means the Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent).

**“Repository”** means the internet-based password protected electronic repository of transaction documents relating to privately offered and sold collateralized debt obligation securities located at “www.cdolibrary.com” operated by The Bond Market Association. Information on this website is not considered part of this Offering Memorandum in any way.

**“Retention Overcollateralization Ratio”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the ratio obtained by dividing: (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator by (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes, excluding any Deferred Interest on any Class of Notes.

**“Revolving Loan”** means a Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation (in each case excluding any Delayed Drawdown Loan) that requires the Issuer to make future advances to (or for the account of) the borrower under its underlying instruments (including any letter of credit for which the Issuer is required to reimburse the issuing bank for under it). A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Revolving Loan for so long as its commitment amount is greater than zero.

**“S&P CDO Monitor”** means a dynamic, analytical computer model developed by S&P (and as may be modified by S&P from time to time) and provided to the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator to be used to calculate the default frequency in terms of the amount of debt assumed to default as a percentage of the original principal amount of the Collateral Obligations consistent with a specified benchmark rating level based on certain assumptions and S&P’s proprietary corporate default studies. For the purpose (and only for the purpose) of applying the S&P CDO Monitor to a portfolio of obligations, for each obligation in the portfolio, the rating of the obligation shall be its S&P Rating.

**“S&P Industry Classification”** means the S&P Industry Classifications in Schedule 3 of the Indenture as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by S&P.

**“S&P Priority Category”** means each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of “Applicable Percentage” as an “S&P Priority Category.”

**“S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate”** means, for any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of “Applicable Percentage” opposite the S&P Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**“S&P Rating”** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following methodology:

- (i) If there is an issuer credit rating of the borrower of the Collateral Obligation (the “Borrower”), or the guarantor who unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the Collateral Obligation (the “Guarantor”) by S&P, the most current issuer credit rating for such Borrower or Guarantor (*provided* that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating);

(ii) (a) if there is not an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation will be one subcategory below such rating; (b) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior unsecured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be such rating; and (c) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a subordinated obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be two subcategories above such rating if such rating is “BBB-” or higher and will be one subcategory above such rating if such rating is “BB+” or lower (*provided* that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating); or

(iii) if there is neither an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P nor a rating by S&P on an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating may be determined using any one of the methods below:

(A) if an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is publicly rated by Moody’s, then the S&P Rating will be determined in accordance with the methodologies for establishing the Moody’s Default Probability Rating, except that the S&P Rating of such obligation will be (1) one subcategory below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody’s if such security is rated “Baa3” or higher by Moody’s and (2) two subcategories below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody’s if such security is rated “Ba1” or lower by Moody’s; *provided* that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may be given a S&P Rating based on a rating given by Moody’s as provided in this subclause (A) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

(B) if no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody’s, then the Servicer may apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating estimate, which will be its S&P Rating; or

(C) if such Collateral Obligation is not rated by Moody’s or S&P, no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody’s and if the Servicer determines in its sole discretion based on information available to it after reasonable inquiry that such Borrower (x) is not subject to any bankruptcy or reorganization proceedings nor in default on any of its obligations (unless the subject of a good faith business dispute), (y) is a legally constituted corporate entity having the minimum legal, financial and operational infrastructure to carry on a definable business, deliver and sell a product or service and report its results in generally accepted accounting terms as verified by a reputable audit firm and (z) is not so vulnerable to adverse business, financial and economic conditions that default in its financial or other obligations is foreseeable in the near term if current operating trends continue, then the S&P Rating will be “B-”; *provided* that the Servicer must apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating on such Borrower within 30 days after the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation; *provided, further*, that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 5% of the Maximum Amount may be given an S&P Rating based on this subclause (c) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

*provided* that, if (i) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any positive “credit watch” list by S&P, such rating will be increased by one rating subcategory or (ii) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any negative “credit watch” list by S&P, such rating will be decreased by one rating subcategory.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the S&P Rating shall be (A) the rating assigned thereto by S&P if the rating is public, (B) the rating assigned by

S&P if the rating is confidential, but only if all appropriate parties have provided written consent to its disclosure and use, (C) the rating assigned by S&P thereto through an estimated rating or (D) the rating assigned thereto by S&P in connection with the acquisition thereof upon the request of the Servicer. In the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a PIK Security, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Securities, the S&P Rating may not be determined pursuant to clause (iii)(A) above.

S&P Ratings for entities or obligations relevant hereunder other than Borrowers and Collateral Obligations shall be determined in a corresponding manner.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if and for so long as the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations consisting in the aggregate of (x) Participations and (y) Synthetic Securities exceeds 20% of the Maximum Amount, then the S&P Rating for the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations representing that excess (determined assuming the excess is comprised of the Collateral Obligations having the lowest S&P Ratings that would otherwise be applicable as determined above) shall be the S&P Rating one sub-category below the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be applicable as determined above. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture, if a S&P Rating is withdrawn by S&P with respect to a Collateral Obligation, the Issuer will continue using the latest S&P Rating available immediately prior to such withdrawal until a bankruptcy event occurs with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

**“S&P Unrated DIP Loan”** means a DIP Loan acquired by the Issuer that does not have a rating assigned by S&P and for which the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P (as specified in the definition of “DIP Loan”).

**“Sale Proceeds”** means all proceeds received (including any proceeds received with respect to any associated interest rate swap or security providing fixed annuity payments ) with respect to Collateral Obligations or other Pledged Obligations as a result of their sales or other dispositions less any reasonable expenses expended by the Servicer or the Trustee in connection with the sales or other dispositions, which shall be paid from such proceeds notwithstanding their characterization otherwise as Administrative Expenses.

**“Second Lien Loan”** means a Loan that (i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinated in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan other than a Senior Secured Loan with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such Loan and (ii) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest in or lien on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan, which specified collateral does not consist solely of common stock or shares issued by the obligor or any of its Affiliates or intangible assets.

**“Secondary Risk Counterparty”** means any obligor Domiciled other than in the United States, any Participating Institution, any Synthetic Security Counterparty and any Securities Lending Counterparty.

**“Secondary Risk Table”** means the table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty		Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
Moody's	S&P		
Aaa	AAA	20.0%	20.0%
Aa1	AA+	10.0%	10.0%
Aa2	AA	10.0%	10.0%
Aa3	AA-	10.0%	10.0%
A1	A+	5.0%	10.0%
A2 or below	A or below	0.0%	0.0%

If any Secondary Risk Counterparty's long-term senior unsecured debt rating or short-term rating is on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P, then for the purposes of the table above, its rating by the Rating Agency putting its rating on credit watch shall be one rating notch lower for that Rating Agency.

**“Secured High-Yield Bond”** means a High-Yield Bond that is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**“Secured Loan”** means a Loan that is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**“Secured Parties”** means the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer and each Hedge Counterparty.

**“Securities Lending Collateral”** means Cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the relevant Securities Lending Agreement and that are pledged by a Securities Lending Counterparty as collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement.

**“Selected Collateral Quality Tests”** means Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Life Test (after taking into consideration any applicable Maturity Extension), the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the Diversity Test.

**“Senior Secured High-Yield Bond”** means a Secured High-Yield Bond that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a first priority security interest in collateral that in the opinion of the Servicer has value at least equal to the amount of the High-Yield Bond.

**“Senior Secured Loan”** means a Secured Loan that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a first priority security interest in collateral that in the opinion of the Servicer has value at least equal to the amount of the Loan.

**“Senior Unsecured High-Yield Bond”** means a High-Yield Bond that is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**“Senior Unsecured Loan”** means a Loan that is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**“Servicing Agreement”** means the Servicing Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Servicer, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**“Spread Excess”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose (i) numerator is the product of (A) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date over the Minimum Weighted Average Spread specified in the applicable row of the Ratings Matrix and (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date and (ii) denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date. In computing the Spread Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Fixed Rate Excess were equal to zero.

**“Structured Finance Obligation”** means any obligation (other than the Notes or any other security or obligation issued by the Issuer):

(i) secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool of receivables or other assets of U.S. obligors, or obligors organized or incorporated in Moody’s Group I Countries, Moody’s Group II Countries, Moody’s Group III Countries or Tax Advantaged Jurisdictions, including portfolio credit default swaps and collateralized debt obligations, but excludes:

- (A) residential mortgage-backed securities;
- (B) collateralized debt obligations backed by Emerging Market Securities;
- (C) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by asset-backed securities;
- (D) market value collateralized debt obligations;
- (E) securities backed by “future flow” receivables;
- (F) securities backed by “trust preferred securities”;
- (G) net interest margin securitizations;
- (H) collateralized debt obligations backed primarily by other collateralized debt obligations;
- (I) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by one or more credit default swaps (i.e. “synthetic CDOs”); and
- (J) collateralized debt obligations a significant portion of which are backed by bonds;

(ii) that has an S&P Rating and an S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate;

(iii) that has a rating and a Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate assigned by Moody's; and

(iv) whose ownership or disposition (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) by the Issuer will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

In connection with the purchase of a Structured Finance Obligation, the Servicer shall obtain from Moody's the applicable Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate.

For purposes of the Diversity Test, multiple Structured Finance Obligations from CDOs serviced by the same Servicer or multiple Structured Finance Obligations issued by the same master trust will be considered to be obligations of one issuer.

**"Subordinated High-Yield Bond"** means a Secured High-Yield Bond secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**"Subordinated Lien Loan"** means a Secured Loan (other than a Second Lien Loan) secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**"Subscription Agreement"** means a subscription agreement dated between a purchaser and the Issuer entered into on or before the Closing Date for the subscription of a specified number of Class E Notes or Preference Shares, as applicable.

**"Super Majority"** means, with respect to any Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**"Synthetic Security"** means any swap transaction, structured bond, credit linked note, or other derivative financial instrument providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a debt instrument (but excluding any such instrument relating directly to a basket or portfolio of debt instruments) or an index or indices (such as the "SAMI" index published by Credit Suisse First Boston) in connection with a basket or portfolio of debt instruments or other similar instruments entered into by the Issuer with a Synthetic Security Counterparty that has in the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment, equivalent expected loss characteristics (those characteristics, "**credit risk**") to those of the related Reference Obligations (taking account of those considerations as they relate to the Synthetic Security Counterparty), if (i) it is either a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied, and (ii) the Reference Obligations thereof have a Market Value equal to at least 85% of the Principal Balance of the Reference Obligation at the time the Synthetic Security is entered into.

The maturity, interest rate, and other non-credit characteristics of a Synthetic Security may be different from the Reference Obligations to which the credit risk of the Synthetic Security relates.

No Synthetic Security shall require the Issuer to make any payment to the Synthetic Security Counterparty after its initial purchase other than any payments represented by the release of any cash collateral posted by the Issuer from the Collection Account to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of the posted cash collateral. Collateral may be posted only to a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account. No Synthetic Security shall result in the Issuer being a "buyer" of credit protection.

The term Synthetic Security shall not include any Structured Finance Obligation or any Participation, but the Reference Obligation of a Synthetic Security may be a Structured Finance Obligation.



Each Synthetic Security Agreement shall contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those contained in the Indenture.

The ownership or disposition of any Synthetic Security (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) must not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

Unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" under any proposed Synthetic Security must not provide that its transfer to the Issuer is subject to obtaining any consents and must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation and satisfy the Concentration Limitations under the Indenture, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event" and if the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security is a Senior Secured Loan then the "deliverable obligation" under the Synthetic Security must also be a Senior Secured Loan.

Synthetic Securities that are credit default swaps, credit linked notes, or other similar instruments may not provide for "restructuring" as a "credit event."

For purposes of the Coverage Tests and the Retention Overcollateralization Test, unless the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied in respect of any proposed alternative treatment, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in the Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in the Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligation.

With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, for purposes of: (i) calculating compliance with the Diversity Test, the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test, and the Concentration Limitations (other than limits relating to payment characteristics and except for clauses 17 and 17(a) of the definition of "Concentration Limitations"), and all related definitions, and (ii) any other provision or definition of the Indenture involving a determination with respect to a Reference Obligation, the characteristics of such Reference Obligations shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each such Reference Obligation in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation. In addition, each Reference Obligation under such Synthetic Security shall be assigned a Moody's Rating Factor equal to the sum of the Moody's Rating Factor of (i) the related Reference Obligor, (ii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty of such Synthetic Security and (iii) the Synthetic Security Collateral of such Synthetic Security. In addition, the Moody's Priority Category Rate in respect of a Synthetic Security referencing multiple Reference Obligations pursuant to this paragraph shall be the Moody's Priority Category Rate as assigned by

Moody's to each Reference Obligation underlying such Synthetic Security. For the avoidance of doubt, Reference Obligations upon which a Synthetic Security is based as described in this paragraph must meet the definition of "Collateral Obligation" to the extent provided in this definition.

If the Rating Condition must be satisfied to execute the purchase of any Synthetic Security, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall give each applicable Rating Agency not less than 5 days' prior notice of the purchase of or entry into any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Agreement"** means the documentation governing any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Collateral"** means, respect to any Synthetic Security, amounts posted to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account by the Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its obligations under the Synthetic Security, including (i) all Eligible Investments or (ii) Collateral Obligations that satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's, in each case that mature no later than the Stated Maturity, in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account that are purchased with Synthetic Security Collateral.

**"Synthetic Security Counterparty"** means any entity required to make payments on a Synthetic Security to the extent that a reference obligor makes payments on a related Reference Obligation.

**"Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction"** means one of the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the Netherlands Antilles or the tax advantaged jurisdiction of the Channel Islands, or such other jurisdiction that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto.

**"Tax Event"** means an event that occurs if either:

(i) (A) one or more Collateral Obligations that were not subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them have become subject to withholding tax or the rate of withholding has increased on one or more Collateral Obligations that were subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them and (B) in any Due Period, the aggregate of the payments subject to withholding tax on new withholding tax obligations and the increase in payments subject to withholding tax on increased rate withholding tax obligations, in each case to the extent not "grossed-up" (on an after-tax basis) by the related obligor, represent 5% or more of Interest Proceeds for the Due Period;

(ii) taxes, fees, assessments, or other similar charges are imposed on the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in an aggregate amount in any twelve-month period in excess of U.S.\$2,000,000, other than any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax with respect to any payment owing in respect of any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation or Collateral Obligation; or

(iii) if the Issuer is at the time treated as a pass-through entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes, that investors in the Preference Shares who are non-U.S. persons not otherwise subject to U.S. net income tax are or have become subject to U.S. net income taxation in respect of income of the Issuer in an amount in excess of 10% of the net income of the Issuer in any twelve-month period.

**"Transaction Documents"** means, collectively, this Indenture, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

**"Transaction Securities"** means, collectively, the Securities and the Holding Preference Shares.

**"Treasury Regulations"** means regulations, including proposed or temporary regulations, promulgated under the Code. References herein to specific provisions of proposed or temporary regulations shall include analogous provisions of final Treasury Regulations or other successor Treasury Regulations.

“**UCC**” means the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the State of New York, and as amended from time to time.

“**Underlying Instrument**” means the loan agreement, indenture, credit agreement, or other agreement pursuant to which a Pledged Obligation has been issued or created and each other agreement that governs the terms of or secures the obligations represented by the Pledged Obligation or of which the holders of the Pledged Obligation are the beneficiaries.

“**Unscheduled Principal Payments**” means any principal payments received with respect to a Collateral Obligation as a result of optional redemptions, exchange offers, tender offers, other payments or prepayments made at the option of the issuer thereof or that are otherwise not scheduled to be made thereunder.

“**Valuation Report**” means the accounting report, determined as of the close of business on each Determination Date, rendered in accordance with the terms of the Indenture.

“**Voting Record Date**” means, with respect to any vote by the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares in relation to the appointment or removal of the directors of the Issuer, (a) 15 days prior to the relevant shareholders meeting or (b) in the case of any vote by the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares exercised by written consent resolution, the date of such resolution.

“**Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon**” means, as of any Measurement Date, the rate obtained by:

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Fixed Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum rate at which it pays interest (other than, with respect to Collateral Obligations that are not PIK Securities, any interest that is not required to be paid in Cash and may be deferred), using only the effective after-tax interest rate determined by the Servicer on any Fixed Rate Obligation after taking into account any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction and any gross-up paid by the obligor);

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);

(iii) dividing the sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations that are Fixed Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, adding to the sum the amount of any Spread Excess as of the Measurement Date, but only to the extent required to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test.

“**Weighted Average Life**” means, as of any Measurement Date the number obtained by (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying (A) the Average Life at that time of each Collateral Obligation by (B) the Principal Balance at that time of the Collateral Obligation and (ii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance at that time of all Collateral Obligations.

“**Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor**” means the summation of the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation (excluding Eligible Investments) by its respective Moody’s Rating Factor, dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) and rounding the result up to the nearest whole number.

**“Weighted Average Spread”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate obtained by:

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Floating Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum contract spread at which it pays interest (which (x) for PIK Securities for which interest has been deferred or capitalized, will be deemed to be zero and (y) for Collateral Obligations that would be PIK Securities but for the proviso in the definition thereof, will be deemed to be equal to the effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest applicable thereto), determined with respect to any Floating Rate Obligation that does not bear interest based on a London interbank offered rate, by expressing the current interest rate on the Floating Rate Obligation as a spread above a three month London interbank offered rate calculated in a manner consistent with the calculation of LIBOR;

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);

(iii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to pass the Weighted Average Spread Test, adding to that sum the amount of Fixed Rate Excess as of the Measurement Date.

For purposes of calculating the Weighted Average Spread, the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall not include any of its unfunded amount.

**“Workout Assets”** means a Loan, High-Yield Bond, or Qualified Equity Security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation that the Issuer does not advance any funds to purchase that does not qualify as a Collateral Obligation.

**“Written-Down Obligation”** means as of any date of determination, any Structured Finance Obligation as to which the Issuer or the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, has been notified by the issuer of the Structured Finance Obligation that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Structured Finance Obligation and all other Structured Finance Obligations secured by the same pool of collateral that rank *pari passu* with or senior in priority of payment to the Structured Finance Obligation exceeds the aggregate principal balance (including reserved interest or other amounts available for overcollateralization) of all collateral securing the Structured Finance Obligation and such other *pari passu* and senior Structured Finance Obligations (excluding defaulted collateral).

**“Zero-Coupon Security”** means a security that, at the time of determination, does not make periodic payments of interest. A Zero-Coupon Security shall not include a security that is a PIK Security.

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U.S.\$45,000,000 Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2018

U.S.\$40,500,000 Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2018

U.S.\$45,000,000 Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2018

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INDENTURE, dated as of August 3, 2006, among RED RIVER CLO LTD. (the "*Issuer*"), RED RIVER CLO CORP. (the "*Co-Issuer*") and U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as trustee (together with its permitted successors, the "*Trustee*").

#### PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

The Co-Issuers are duly authorized to execute and deliver this Indenture to provide for the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes and the Issuer is duly authorized to execute and deliver this Indenture to provide for the Class E Notes, in each case issuable as provided in this Indenture. All covenants and agreements made by the Co-Issuers in this Indenture are for the benefit and security of the Secured Parties. The Co-Issuers are entering into this Indenture, and the Trustee is accepting the trusts created by this Indenture, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged.

All things necessary to make this Indenture a valid agreement of the Co-Issuers in accordance with the agreement's terms have been done.

#### GRANTING CLAUSES

The Issuer Grants to the Trustee, for the benefit and security of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer and each Hedge Counterparty (collectively, the "*Secured Parties*"), all of its right, title, and interest in, to, and under, in each case, whether now owned or existing, or hereafter acquired or arising:

(a) the Collateral Obligations (listed, as of the Closing Date, in Schedule 1 to this Indenture and as such Schedule 1 may be modified, amended and revised subsequent to the Closing Date by the Issuer) and all Workout Assets, including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles (as defined in the UCC) relating thereto, all payments made or to be made thereon or with respect thereto, and all Collateral Obligations and Workout Assets including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles (as defined in the UCC) relating thereto, which are delivered or credited to the Trustee, or for which a Security Entitlement is delivered or credited to the Trustee or which are credited to one or more of the Issuer Accounts on or after the Closing Date and all payments made or to be made thereon or with respect thereto;

(b) the Custodial Account, the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Securities Lending Account (collectively, the "*Issuer Accounts*"), Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, and all income from funds in the Issuer Accounts;

(c) the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account (and, together with the Issuer Accounts, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the "*Accounts*") and assets included therein, subject to the terms of the related Synthetic Security (provided, however, that any such rights in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee (or Securities Intermediary) first to secure the Issuer's payment obligations to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty and second for the benefit of the Secured Parties);

(d) the Servicing Agreement, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Securities Lending Agreements and all Securities Lending Collateral and the Securities Lending Account, the Hedge Agreements as set forth in Article 15 and all Collateral securing the Hedge Counterparty's obligations thereunder including, without limitation, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Collateral Administration Agreement to the extent of any rights of the Issuer therein;

(e) all Cash or money delivered to the Trustee (or its bailee);

(f) all securities, investments, investment property, instruments, money and agreements of any nature in which the Issuer has an interest (except for money, securities and investments in the Issuer's bank account in the Cayman Islands), including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles (as defined in the UCC) relating thereto; and

(g) all proceeds with respect to the foregoing;

(all of the property and assets described in foregoing clauses (a) through (g), but excluding the Excluded Property, the "***Collateral***").

These Grants are not intended to and do not transfer any liability under the Collateral, which liabilities shall remain the sole obligation of the Issuer. These Grants are made, however, in trust as separate trusts, to secure the Notes. Except as provided in Article 13 and the priorities set forth in the Priority of Payments, the Notes are secured by the first grant equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction between any Note and any other Note because of difference in time of issuance or otherwise. The Grants are made to secure, in accordance with the priorities in the Priority of Payments and Article 13:

(i) the payment of all amounts due on the Notes equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction between any Note and any other Note because of difference in time of issuance or otherwise, in accordance with their terms;

(ii) the payment of all other sums payable under this Indenture (other than amounts payable in respect of the Preference Shares);

(iii) the payment of sums payable to any Hedge Counterparty under a Hedge Agreement;

(iv) the payment of sums payable to the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement; and

(v) compliance with this Indenture;

(collectively, the "***Secured Obligations***"), all as provided in this Indenture.

The Trustee acknowledges the Grants, accepts the trusts under this Indenture in accordance with this Indenture, and agrees to perform its duties in this Indenture in accordance with the provisions hereof.

## ARTICLE 1

### DEFINITIONS

#### Section 1.1. ***Definitions.***

Except as otherwise specified in this Indenture or as the context may otherwise require, the following terms have the respective meanings provided below for all purposes of this Indenture.

***"A/B Exchange"***: An exchange of one security (the "***A Security***") for another security (the "***B Security***") of the same issuer or issuers, which security shall have substantially identical terms to

the A Security except that one or more transfer restrictions applicable to the A Security are inapplicable to the B Security.

**"Accounts"**: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Accountants' Certificate"**: An agreed upon procedures report of a firm of Independent certified public accountants of international reputation appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8(a), which may be the firm of Independent accountants that performs certain accounting services for the Issuer or the Servicer.

**"Accredited Investor"**: The meaning specified in Rule 501(a) of the Securities Act.

**"Accrued Interest On Sale"**: Interest accrued on a Collateral Obligation at the time of sale or other disposition to the extent paid to the Issuer as part of the sale or other disposition price of the Collateral Obligation after deduction of any amount representing Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal"**: (i) Interest accrued on or purchased with a Collateral Obligation as part of the price paid by the Issuer to acquire the Collateral Obligation less any amount of Interest Proceeds (applied as Interest Proceeds) applied by the Issuer to acquire the accrued interest at the time of purchase and (ii) interest accrued on a Warehoused Loan as part of the price paid by the Issuer to repurchase and terminate the related participation under the Warehouse Agreements.

**"Act"**: The meaning specified in Section 14.2.

**"Adjusted Market Value"**: With respect to each CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation, the lower of (x) 100% and (y) the Market Value of such CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation, expressed as a percentage of its outstanding principal balance.

**"Administration Agreement"**: The Administration Agreement, between the Issuer and the Administrator, providing for the administrative functions of the Issuer, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Administrative Expense Cap"**: An amount on any Payment Date equal to the excess of:

(a) the sum of 0.04% of the Maximum Amount on the related Determination Date plus \$150,000, *over*

(b) the sum of the amounts paid for Administrative Expenses in the twelve months preceding the current Payment Date.

**"Administrative Expenses"**: Amounts due or accrued representing

(i) tax preparation, filing, and registration fees or expenses and any other filing and registration fees owed by the Co-Issuers or Investors Corp. (including all filing, registration, and annual return fees payable to the Cayman Islands government and registered office fees);

(ii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Trustee (including all amounts under Section 6.8), the Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Collateral Administrator;

(iii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Co-Issuers and Investors Corp. and of accountants, agents, and counsel for each of the Co-Issuers and Investors Corp.;

(iv) fees and expenses of the Rating Agencies in connection with any rating of the Notes owed by either Co-Issuer (including fees and expenses for surveillance, credit estimates, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies);

(v) expenses and indemnities (but not Servicing Fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;

(vi) fees, indemnities and expenses for third-party loan pricing services and accountants; and

(vii) amounts due (other than indemnities) to any other person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for in this Indenture, including fees or expenses in connection with any Securities Lending Agreement.

**"Administrator"**: Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited.

**"Affiliate" or "Affiliated"**: With respect to a person,

(i) any other person who, directly or indirectly, is in control of, or controlled by, or is under common control with, the person, or

(ii) any other person who is a director, officer, or employee (A) of the person, (B) of any subsidiary or parent company of the person or (C) of any person described in clause (i) above.

For the purposes of this definition, control of a person shall mean the power, direct or indirect,

(A) to vote more than 50% of the securities having ordinary voting power for the election of directors of the person, or

(B) to direct the corporate management and corporate policies of the person whether by contract or otherwise (this does not include the Servicing Agreement unless it is amended expressly to provide those services).

For the purpose of this definition, the Administrator and its Affiliates are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Co-Issuers and the Co-Issuers are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Administrator, or any of their Affiliates.

**"Agent Members"**: Members of, or participants in, a Depository.

**"Aggregate Outstanding Amount"**: When used with respect to any of the Notes as of any date, the aggregate principal amount of such Notes on that date. When used with respect to the Preference Shares as of any date, means the number of such Preference Shares Outstanding on such date.

Except as otherwise provided herein:

(a) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(b) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(c) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes at any time shall include all Class C Deferred Interest attributed thereto;

(d) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes at any time shall include all Class D Deferred Interest attributed thereto; and

(e) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class E Notes at any time shall include all Class E Deferred Interest attributed thereto.

**"Aggregate Principal Balance"**: When used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Principal Balances of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Principal Balance means the sum of the Principal Balances of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**"Aggregate Purchase Price Amount"**: When used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Purchase Price Amount means the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**"Allocable Principal Balance"**: With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, the portion of the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security that is allocable to each Reference Obligation comprising such index or indices based upon allocating the Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security among such Reference Obligations in the same proportion as each Reference Obligation bears to the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security.

**"Amendment Buy-Out"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.6(a).

**"Amendment Buy-Out Option"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.6(a).

**"Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price"**: The purchase price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Transaction Securities purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the date of purchase payable to the Non-Consenting Holder (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), plus any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares and the Holding Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, since the Closing Date (and any amounts payable, if any, to the Non-Consenting Holder or the Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder, as applicable, on the next succeeding Payment Date) would cause such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); provided, however, that in any Amendment Buy-Out from and after the date on which the Non-Consenting Holders or the Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as

applicable, equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price for such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, shall be zero.

**"Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser":** The Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); provided that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Transaction Securities from Holders pursuant to Section 9.6, "Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Placement Agents, the Investors Corp. Placement Agents or any of their respective Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; provided, however, none of the Servicer, the Placement Agents, the Investors Corp. Placement Agents or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

**"Applicable Issuers" or "Applicable Issuer":** With respect to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes, each of the Co-Issuers. With respect to the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares, the Issuer only.

**"Applicable Note Interest Rate":** With respect to the Notes of any Class, the Note Interest Rate with respect to such Class.

**"Applicable Percentage":** The lesser of the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate and the S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation as specified in the tables below.

<b>Moody's Priority Category</b>	<b>Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Synthetic Securities .....	In the case of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to the Form-Approved Synthetic Security at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security by Moody's, and</li> <li>(ii) any other Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to the Synthetic Security at the time of acquisition of the Synthetic Security.</li> </ul>
Structured Finance Obligations .....	The Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the Moody's Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 5</u> by reference to the type of asset and its then Moody's Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that schedule does not apply, on a case-by-case basis in connection with the Grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
unsecured DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligations not covered above or below .....	As determined by Moody's on a case-by-case basis.

For High-Yield Bonds, Moody's Senior Secured Loans and Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is the rate determined pursuant to the table below based on the number of rating subcategories difference between the High-Yield Bond's or Loan's Moody's Obligation Rating and its Moody's Default Probability Rating (for purposes of clarification, if the Moody's Obligation Rating is higher than the Moody's Default Probability Rating, the rating subcategories difference will be positive and if it is lower, negative):

Number of Moody's Rating Subcategories Difference Between the Moody's Obligation Rating and the Moody's Default Probability Rating	Moody's Senior Secured Loans	Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans	High-Yield Bonds
+2 or more	60.0%	45.0%	40.0%
+1	50.0%	42.5%	35.0%
0	45.0%	40.0%	30.0%
-1	40.0%	30.0%	15.0%
-2	30.0%	15.0%	10.0%
-3 or less	20.0%	10.0%	2.0%

If no Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate has been specifically assigned with respect to a Loan pursuant to the above table, and the Loan is a secured DIP Loan, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is 50.0%.

S&P Priority Category	S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate
Senior Secured Loans other than Subordinated Lien Loans or DIP Loans	55.0%
Senior Unsecured Loans.....	37.5%
Second Lien Loans .....	37.5%
Subordinated Lien Loans other than a DIP Loan .....	21.5%
Senior Secured High-Yield Bonds .....	44.0%
Senior Unsecured High-Yield Bonds ....	30.0%
Subordinated High-Yield Bonds .....	18.0%
Structured Finance Obligations.....	The S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the S&P Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 6</u> by reference to the type of asset and its then S&P Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that table does not apply, on a case by case basis in connection with the Grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
Synthetic Securities .....	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis in connection with the Grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation.
DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligation not covered above.....	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis.

**"Approved Credit Support Document":** A security agreement in the form of the 1994 ISDA Credit Support Annex (ISDA Agreements Subject to New York Law Only), as modified by the Paragraph 13 thereto.

**"Approved Pricing Service":** Loan Pricing Corporation, Mark-It-Partners, Inc. or any other nationally recognized loan pricing service approved in writing by S&P.

**"Ask-Side Market Value":** As of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any lent Collateral Obligation based upon the Servicer's commercially



reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the higher of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the ask-side prices for the purchase of such Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer); provided that if the Ask-Side Market Value of any lent Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the outstanding principal balance thereof.

**"Assigned Moody's Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Authenticating Agent"**: With respect to the Notes, the Trustee or the person designated by the Trustee to authenticate the Notes on behalf of the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.15.

**"Authorized Officer"**: With respect to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp., any Officer or agent who is authorized to act for the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp., as applicable, in matters relating to, and binding on, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp. With respect to the Servicer, any managing member, Officer, manager, employee, partner or agent of the Servicer who is authorized to act for the Servicer in matters relating to, and binding on, the Servicer with respect to the subject matter of the request, certificate, or order in question. With respect to the Trustee or any other bank or trust company acting as trustee of an express trust or as custodian, a Trust Officer. Each party may receive and accept a certification of the authority of any other party as conclusive evidence of the authority of any person to act, and the certification may be considered as in full force and effect until receipt by the other party of written notice to the contrary.

**"Average Life"**: As of any Measurement Date with respect to any Collateral Obligation (other than any Defaulted Collateral Obligation), the quotient obtained by dividing:

(i) the sum of the products of:

(A) the number of years (rounded to the nearest hundredth) from the Measurement Date to the respective dates of each successive scheduled payment of principal of the Collateral Obligation, and

(B) the respective amounts of the successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation, *by*

(ii) the sum of all successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Bank"**: U.S. Bank National Association, in its individual capacity and not as Trustee.

**"Bankruptcy Code"**: The U.S. Bankruptcy Code, Title 11 of the United States Code.

**"Bankruptcy Law"**: The Bankruptcy Code, Part V of the Companies Law (2004 Revision) of the Cayman Islands and the Bankruptcy Law (1997 Revision) of the Cayman Islands.

**"Beneficial Owner"**: Any person owning an interest in a Global Note as reflected on the books of the Depository or on the books of an Agent Member or on the books of an indirect participant for which an Agent Member acts as agent.

**"Benefit Plan Investor"**: Any (i) "employee benefit plan" within the meaning of Section 3(3) of ERISA, whether or not subject to Title I of ERISA, and including, without limitation, foreign, church and governmental plans, (ii) any "plan" described by Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code, or an entity whose underlying assets include the assets of any plan described in (i) or (ii) by reason of such plan's investment in such entity.

**"Board Resolution"**: With respect to the Issuer, a resolution of the board of directors of the Issuer and, with respect to the Co-Issuer, a resolution of the board of directors of the Co-Issuer.

**"Business Day"**: A day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in New York City and any other city in which the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee is located and, in the case of the final payment of principal of any Note, the place of presentation of the Note designated by the Trustee; provided, however, that, for purposes of determining LIBOR, "Business Day" must also be a day on which dealings in deposits in Dollars are transacted in the London interbank market. To the extent action is required of the Irish Paying Agent, Dublin, Ireland shall be considered in determining "Business Day" for purposes of determining when actions by the Irish Paying Agent are required.

**"Calculation Agent"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.16.

**"Caa1 Collateral Obligations"**: The Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have a Moody's Rating below "B3".

**"Cash"**: Such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for payment of all public and private debts.

**"CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations"**: The Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have (i) a Moody's Rating below "B3" and/or (ii) an S&P Rating below "B-".

**"Certificate of Authentication"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.1.

**"Certificated Class E Note"**: The meaning set forth in Section 2.2(e).

**"Certificated Preference Share"**: The meaning set forth in the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

**"Certificated Security (UCC)"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(4) of the UCC.

**"Class"**: All of the Notes having the same priority and the same Stated Maturity and all of the Preference Shares.

**"Class A Notes"**: The Class A Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class A/B Coverage Tests"**: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes.

**"Class B Notes"**: The Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class C Coverage Tests"**: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class C Notes.

**"Class C Deferred Interest"**: Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C Notes.

**"Class C Notes"**: The Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class D Coverage Tests"**: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class D Notes.

**"Class D Deferred Interest"**: Deferred Interest with respect to the Class D Notes.

**"Class D Notes"**: The Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class E Coverage Tests"**: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class E Notes.

**"Class E Deferred Interest"**: Deferred Interest with respect to the Class E Notes.

**"Class E Notes"**: The Class E Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Issuer pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class I Preference Shares"**: The Class I Preference Shares issued by the Issuer pursuant to the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association and the resolutions of the Issuer's board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

**"Class II Preference Share Percentage"**: For any Payment Date, a fraction, expressed as a percentage, the numerator of which is the number of Outstanding Class II Preference Shares on such Payment Date and the denominator of which is the total number of Outstanding Preference Shares on such Payment Date.

**"Class II Preference Share Portion"**: For any Payment Date, 100% minus the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date.

**"Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment"**: For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Senior Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**"Class II Preference Share Special Payment"**: Collectively, the Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment, the Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment and the Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment.

**"Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(j).

**"Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment"**: For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Subordinated Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**"Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment"**: For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**"Class II Preference Shares"**: The Class II Preference Shares issued by the Issuer pursuant to the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association and the resolutions of the Issuer's board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

**"Class Scenario Loss Rate"**: With respect to any Class of Notes rated by S&P, an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, consistent with S&P's rating of the Class of Notes on the Closing Date, determined by application of the S&P CDO Monitor.

**"Clearing Agency"**: An organization registered as a "clearing agency" pursuant to Section 17A of the Exchange Act.

**"Clearing Corporation"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(5) of the UCC.

**"Clearing Corporation Security"**: A "security" (as defined in Section 8-102(a)(15) of the UCC) that (i) is a debt or equity security and (ii) is in the custody of or maintained on the books of a Clearing Corporation or its nominee.

**"Clearstream"**: Clearstream Banking, société anonyme, a corporation organized under the laws of the Duchy of Luxembourg.

**"Closing Date"**: August 3, 2006.

**"Closing Date Expense Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(g).

**"Co-Issuer"**: The person named as such on the first page of this Indenture.

**"Co-Issuers"**: The Issuer and the Co-Issuer.

**"Code"**: The United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

**"Collateral"**: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Collateral Acquisition Agreement"**: The agreement dated as of the Closing Date between the Issuer and the Servicer, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Collateral Administration Agreement"**: The agreement dated as of the Closing Date among the Issuer, the Servicer, and the Collateral Administrator, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Collateral Administrator"**: U.S. Bank National Association, in its capacity as collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement.

**"Collateral Assignment of Hedge Agreements"**: With respect to each Hedge Agreement, the assignment of all of the Issuer's interest in the Hedge Agreement to the Trustee and acknowledged by the Hedge Counterparty to create a security interest therein in favor of the Trustee.

**"Collateral Obligation"**: Any obligation or security that, when the Issuer commits to purchase (or otherwise acquire) the obligation or security, is a Loan, High-Yield Bond, Structured Finance Obligation, or Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that is a Loan, a Structured Finance Obligation or High-Yield Bond that is:

- (1) denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars and is not convertible by its obligor into any other currency;
- (2) an obligation of an obligor Domiciled in an Eligible Country;
- (3) an obligation that is eligible by its terms to be assigned to the Issuer and pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral;
- (4) not an exchangeable or convertible security;
- (5) not an equity security or a component of an equity security or a security that has a component that is an equity security (other than for avoidance of doubt, a pass-through trust certificate in a trust holding Collateral Obligations);
- (6) not an obligation or security that has been called for redemption and is not an obligation or security that is the subject of an Offer other than a Permitted Offer or an exchange offer in which a security that is not registered under the Securities Act is exchanged for (i) a security that has substantially identical terms (except for transfer restrictions) but is registered under the Securities Act or (ii) a security that would otherwise qualify for purchase under Article 12;
- (7) an obligation that (a) has a Moody's Rating (including any estimated or confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored) and (b) has an S&P Rating (including any confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored), which S&P Rating does not have a "p", "pi", "q", "r" or "t" subscript unless S&P otherwise authorizes in writing;
- (8) an obligation that is a Finance Lease (if it is a lease) and the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;
- (9) an obligation that is not a Current-Pay Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation and in the case of a Collateral Obligation that has a Moody's Rating of "Caa1" or lower or an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower, an obligation for which the Servicer has certified in writing that such Collateral Obligation is not a Credit Risk Obligation;
- (10) an obligation that (unless it is a High-Yield Bond) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness for borrowed money of the applicable issuer; provided that for the avoidance of doubt, this clause shall not prohibit the inclusion as Collateral Obligations of Subordinated Lien Loans or Second Lien Loans;
- (11) an obligation that (i) (unless it is a PIK Security) bears simple interest payable in cash no less frequently than annually at a fixed or floating rate that is paid on a

periodic basis on an unleveraged basis and, in the case of a floating rate, computed on a benchmark interest rate plus or minus a spread, if any (which may vary under the terms of the obligation) and (ii) provides for a fixed amount of principal payable in cash according to a fixed schedule (which may include optional call dates) or at maturity (or a fixed notional amount in the case of Synthetic Securities);

(12) an obligation the payment or repayment of the principal, if any, of which is not an amount determined by reference to any formula or index or subject to any contingency under the terms thereof;

(13) an obligation the portion of which to be acquired (including through a Synthetic Security with respect to the Reference Obligation) does not represent, directly or indirectly, more than a 25% interest in the obligation;

(14) not an obligation with a maturity later than two years after the Stated Maturity of the Notes;

(15) an obligation upon which no payments are subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the obligor thereof or counterparty with respect thereto is required to make "gross-up" payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax on an after-tax basis (other than withholding taxes with respect to commitment fees associated with Collateral Obligations constituting Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans);

(16) not a Loan or Synthetic Security that would require the Issuer after its purchase of the Loan or Synthetic Security to advance any funds to the related borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty or permit the borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty to require that any future advances be made except for:

(A) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the Issuer deposits into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, respectively, the maximum amount of any advances that may be required of the Issuer under the related Underlying Instrument (as provided in Section 10.3(b)), and

(B) any Synthetic Security if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Synthetic Security, the Issuer posts cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) the Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of any future advances;

(17) if such obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation, such obligation:

(A) has been assigned a rating by both Moody's and S&P;

(B) has a Moody's Rating of "Ba3" or higher and an S&P Rating of "BB-" or higher; and

(C) has not been placed on the watch list for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P;

(18) not a Loan that is an obligation of a debtor in possession or a trustee for a debtor in an insolvency proceeding other than a DIP Loan;

(19) with respect to an obligation that provides for the payment of interest at a floating rate, an obligation for which such floating rate is determined by reference to the U.S. Dollar prime rate or other base rate, London interbank offered rate or similar interbank offered rate, commercial deposit rate or any other index that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto;

(20) in the case of a Synthetic Security, the Synthetic Security is one for which the counterparty or issuer, as the case may be, has a short-term debt rating by Moody's of at least "P-1" or long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" and, if rated "A3" by Moody's, such rating is not on watch for downgrade, and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A+";

(21) not an obligation that constitutes Margin Stock;

(22) not a Zero-Coupon Security;

(23) not an obligation that is currently deferring interest or paying interest "in kind" or otherwise has an interest "in kind" balance outstanding at the time of purchase, which interest is otherwise payable in cash, unless the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;

(24) not a security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer;

(25) not an obligation the interest payments of which are scheduled to decrease (although interest payments may decrease due to unscheduled events such as a decrease if the index relating to a Floating Rate Obligation, the change from a default rate of interest to a non-default rate of interest or an improvement in the obligor's financial condition);

(26) not an obligation that will cause the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the pool of assets to be required to be registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act; and

(27) in the case of a Loan, an obligation that is part of, or a Participation in, a syndicated loan facility that provides for a commitment by the lenders, in the aggregate, of no less than \$25,000,000.

Pursuant to the definition of "Synthetic Security," unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event."

**"Collateral Quality Tests":** The Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Life Test, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the S&P CDO Monitor Test.

**"Collection Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.2(a).

**"Commitment Amount"**: With respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the maximum aggregate outstanding principal amount (whether then funded or unfunded) of advances or other extensions of credit that the Issuer could be required to make to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments.

**"Commitment Reduction"**: With respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, a permanent reduction (whether scheduled, mandatory, optional, or otherwise) in the related Commitment Amount.

**"Concentration Limitations"**: The limit set forth below with respect to a particular type of Relevant Obligation (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) as a percentage of the Maximum Amount:

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(1) Senior Secured Loans (including Moody's Senior Secured Loans) and Eligible Investments	$\geq 90.0\%$
(2) unsecured Loans	$\leq 3.0\%$
(3) Subordinated Lien Loans and Second Lien Loans	$\leq 10.0\%$
(4) Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans	$\leq 12.0\%$
(5) DIP Loans	$\leq 5.0\%$
(a) except that with a Rating Confirmation, DIP Loans may constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 7.5\%$
(6) S&P Unrated DIP Loans	$\leq 2.5\%$
(7) PIK Securities	$\leq 3.0\%$
(8) High-Yield Bonds	$\leq 7.5\%$
(9) Structured Finance Obligations	$\leq 12.5\%$
(a) except that Structured Finance Obligations serviced by the Servicer may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$
(b) except that a single issuer together with any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) of a Structured Finance Obligation may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 3.0\%$
(10) Structured Finance Obligations that are collateralized loan obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(11) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States and Canada	$\leq 15.0\%$
(12) obligors Domiciled in Canada or any single Moody's Group I Country	$\leq 10.0\%$
(13) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group II Country	$\leq 5.0\%$
(14) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group III Country	$\leq 2.5\%$



(15)	obligors organized in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction	$\leq 5.0\%$
(16)	same S&P Industry Classification	$\leq 8.0\%$
(a)	except that Relevant Obligations belonging to two S&P Industry Classifications may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 12.0\%$
(17)	single issuer or any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties)	$\leq 1.5\%$
(a)	except that up to each of five individual issuers (including any of their respective Affiliates but excluding issuers that the Servicer reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 2.0\%$
(18)	Fixed Rate Obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(19)	Pay interest less frequently than quarterly but no less frequently than annually	$\leq 7.5\%$
(20)	Synthetic Securities	$\leq 20.0\%$
(a)	except that Synthetic Securities that provide for settlement other than by physical delivery may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$
(b)	except that Synthetic Securities that reference a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$
(21)	Participations ( <u>provided</u> that no Relevant Obligations may be a Participation in a Participation)	$\leq 20.0\%$
(22)	Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, in the aggregate may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 20.0\%$
(23)	Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, a single Secondary Risk Counterparty	$\leq$ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Individual Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating*
(24)	Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, all Secondary Risk Counterparties	$\leq$ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Aggregate Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating**

(25) Deep Discount Obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(26) CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(27) Long-Dated Collateral Obligations	$\leq 4.0\%$
(28) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements	$\leq 15.0\%$
(29) Collateral Obligations providing for interest at a non-London interbank offered rate (excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, the unfunded amount of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan)	$\leq 5.0\%$
(30) Collateral Obligations that are Loans that are part of a credit facility with a total global aggregate commitment amount of equal to or greater than \$25,000,000 but less than \$75,000,000	$\leq 10.0\%$
(31) Collateral Obligations that are Loans that are part of a credit facility with a total global aggregate commitment amount of less than \$25,000,000	$\leq 0\%$

\* Applicable long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P of such Secondary Risk Counterparty (using the limit for the lower of such ratings if different).

\*\* Long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P at or below a level specified in the Secondary Risk Table (using the lower of such ratings for a Secondary Risk Counterparty, if different).

Subject to the rights in certain circumstances of the Servicer to determine otherwise as set out in Section 1.2(h), solely for the purpose of determining whether the Concentration Limitations are met, Eligible Investments and Cash will be treated as Senior Secured Loans and Floating Rate Obligations.

**"Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares":** With respect to any Payment Date, a Holder of Preference Shares that has consented by delivering an irrevocable written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent to a distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds on such Payment Date.

**"Controlling Class":** The Class A Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class A Notes are Outstanding; then the Class B Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class B Notes are Outstanding; then the Class C Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class C Notes are Outstanding; then the Class D Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class D Notes are Outstanding; and then the Class E Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class E Notes are Outstanding.

**"Controlling Person":** The meaning specified in Section 2.6(c).

**"Corporate Trust Office":** The corporate trust office of the Trustee at which the Trustee performs its duties under this Indenture, currently having an address of Corporate Trust Services, One Federal Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Mailcode: EX-MA-FED, Boston, Massachusetts 02110-2004, telecopy no. (866) 350-3148, Attention: CDO Unit—Red River CLO Ltd. or any other address the Trustee designates from time to time by notice to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Issuer, and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Trustee.

**"Coverage Tests":** Collectively, the Class A/B Coverage Tests, the Class C Coverage Tests and the Class D Coverage Tests applicable as of any Measurement Date.

**"Credit Improved Obligation":** Any Collateral Obligation that (a) is sold pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange or (b) in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has improved in credit quality; provided that, in forming such judgment, a reduction in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment; and provided, further, that, if a Credit Rating Event is in effect, such Collateral Obligation will be considered a Credit Improved Obligation only if in addition to the above:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been upgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing positive credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under this Indenture,

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced a reduction in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Servicer (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's),

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has increased by at least 1.00% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Servicer (provided that this subclause (iii)(x) will be deemed satisfied if Market Value increases to 101), or (y) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more positive than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, plus 3.00%, over the same period, or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Improved Obligation if:

(i) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Improved Obligation or

(ii) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Improved Obligation.

**"Credit Rating Event":** An event that is in effect if the rating by Moody's:

(i) of the Class A Notes has been withdrawn or is one or more rating sub-categories below its Initial Rating; or

(ii) of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes has been withdrawn or is two or more rating sub-categories below its respective Initial Rating.

For the purposes of this definition, any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not be effective if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody's has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Class A Notes, or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**"Credit Risk Obligation"**: Any Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has significantly declined in credit quality and has a significant risk, with a lapse of time, of becoming a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; provided that in forming such judgment, an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment.

So long as a Credit Rating Event is in effect, no Collateral Obligation shall be eligible to be a Credit Risk Obligation unless in addition to the above, as of the date of determination:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been downgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing negative credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under this Indenture,

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced an increase in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Servicer (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's),

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has decreased by at least 2.50% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Servicer, and (y) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more negative, or less positive, as the case may be, than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, less 3.00%, over the same period, or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation set forth in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) above, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Risk Obligation if:

(a) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Risk Obligation, or

(b) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Risk Obligation.

**"Current-Pay Obligation"**: A Collateral Obligation as to which:

(i) an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to its obligor or as to which its obligor is rated "D" or "SD" by S&P or its obligor has previously been rated "CCC-" by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn,

(ii) no default as to the payment of principal or interest with respect to the Collateral Obligation is then continuing and the Servicer has delivered to the Trustee an officer's certificate to the effect that the Servicer expects that the obligor will make payments on the Collateral Obligation as they become due,

(iii) (A) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is at least "Caa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 80% of its Principal Balance or (B) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is less than "Caa1" or is "Caa1" and on credit watch with negative implications, the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 85% of its Principal Balance,

(iv) if an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to the obligor of the Collateral Obligation, a bankruptcy court has authorized the payment of interest payable on the Collateral Obligation, and

(v) the Servicer has designated in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligation as a Current-Pay Obligation.

If the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations exceeds 5% of the Maximum Amount, all or a portion of one or more Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance equal to the amount of the excess shall not be Current-Pay Obligations (and will therefore be Defaulted Collateral Obligations). The Servicer shall designate in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligations that shall not be Current-Pay Obligations pursuant to the preceding sentence as the Collateral Obligations (or portions thereof) that have the lowest Market Value on any applicable date of determination.

The Servicer may, by notice to the Issuer, the Trustee, and the Collateral Administrator, change the definition of "Current-Pay Obligation" or how Current-Pay Obligations are treated in this Indenture, subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency.

**"Current Portfolio"**: At any time, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations, Principal Proceeds held as Cash on deposit in the Collection Account, and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account that exists before the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or before the acquisition of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**"Custodial Account"**: The custodial account established in the name of the Trustee pursuant to Section 10.3(a).

**"Custodian"**: The meaning specified in the first sentence of Section 3.2(a) with respect to items of collateral referred to therein, and each entity with which an Account is maintained, as the context may require, each of which shall be a Securities Intermediary.

**"Deep Discount Obligation"**: Until the average Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation, as determined daily for any period of 30 consecutive days, equals or exceeds 90%, any Collateral Obligation acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 85% of its Principal Balance. For such purpose, the Market Value Percentage of a Collateral Obligation on a day that is not a Business Day shall be deemed to be the Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation on the immediately preceding Business Day.

**"Default"**: Any Event of Default or any occurrence that, with notice or the lapse of time or both, would become an Event of Default.

**"Defaulted Collateral Obligation"**: Any Collateral Obligation or other obligation included in the Collateral:

(i) as to which there has occurred and is continuing a default with respect to the payment of interest or principal with respect to such Collateral Obligation, without giving effect to any applicable grace period or waiver (provided that if the Servicer certifies to the Trustee in writing that such default is for non-credit related reasons, the related Collateral Obligation shall not be treated as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under this clause (i) unless and until such default has continued for a period of three (3) consecutive business days), but, in any case, only until such default has been cured;

(ii) the maturity of all or a portion of the principal amount of such Collateral Obligation has been accelerated as a consequence of a default (other than any payment default) under the instruments evidencing or relating to such Collateral Obligation; unless such default or event of default has been fully cured or waived and is no longer continuing and such acceleration has been rescinded;

(iii) with respect to which there has been effected any distressed exchange or other debt restructuring where the obligor has offered the holders thereof a new security or instrument or package of securities or instruments that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, either (x) amounts to a diminished financial obligation or (y) has the sole purpose of enabling the obligor to avoid a default;

(iv) (1) that is *pari passu* with or subordinated to other indebtedness for borrowed money owing by its obligor ("**Other Indebtedness**"), (2) the obligor has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (without regard to any applicable grace or notice period and without regard to any waiver of the default) on the Other Indebtedness, unless, in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid on the Other Indebtedness and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation and (3) the Servicer, provided that the related Collateral Obligation has not been downgraded after the default on such Other Indebtedness has occurred, determines (in its commercially reasonable judgment) that such Other Indebtedness is material;

(v) (other than a Current-Pay Obligation or a DIP Loan) as to which:

(A) an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to its obligor, or

(B) the obligation is rated "D", "SD", "C" or "CC" by S&P or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn, or has previously been rated "CCC-" or lower by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;

(vi) if the Collateral Obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation, it is rated "CC" or below by S&P, or it was rated "CC" or below by S&P but the rating has since been withdrawn, or it is rated "Ca" or below by Moody's, or it was rated "C" or below by Moody's but the rating has since been withdrawn;

(vii) that is a Participation that would, if the underlying Loan were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (v) above or with respect to which the Participating Institution has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Participation;

(viii) that is a Synthetic Security referencing a Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above or with respect to which the Synthetic Security Counterparty has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Synthetic Security; provided, however, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time: (x) a determination whether the Reference Obligations upon which such Synthetic Security is based would, if such Reference Obligations were Collateral Obligations, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each of the Reference Obligations on which such Synthetic Security is based in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation and (y) the "Defaulted Collateral Obligation" for purposes of this clause (viii) shall be limited to the Allocable Principal Balance of each Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above;

(ix) that is a Written-Down Obligation;

(x) that is a DIP Loan as to which an order has been entered converting the debtor's chapter 11 case to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code; or

(xi) that is declared to be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation by the Servicer.

Any Collateral Obligation that is classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall cease to be so classified if the Collateral Obligation, at any date thereafter,

(1) would not otherwise be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this definition; and

(2) otherwise meets the Eligibility Criteria as of that date.

If any portion of a Collateral Obligation has a maturity later than one year after the Stated Maturity of the Notes due to a change in the payment schedule of the Collateral Obligation occurring after its acquisition by the Issuer, that portion of the Collateral Obligation shall be considered a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**"Defaulted Hedge Termination Payment"**: Any termination payment required to be made by the Issuer to a Hedge Counterparty pursuant to a Hedge Agreement upon a termination of the Hedge Agreement in respect of which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**"Defaulted Interest"**: Any interest payable in respect of any Class of Notes that is not punctually paid or duly provided for on the applicable Payment Date or at Stated Maturity.

**"Defaulted Interest Charge"**: To the extent lawful, interest on any Defaulted Interest at the Default Interest Rate.

**"Default Interest Rate"**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate equal to the Note Interest Rate payable on the Notes of the Class.

**"Deferred Interest"**: With respect to any specified Class of Deferred Interest Notes, the meaning specified in Section 2.8(a).

**"Deferred Interest Notes"**: The Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**"Deficiency Amount"**: The meaning specified in Section 16.3(a).

**"Deficiency Notice Date"**: The meaning specified in Section 16.3(a).

**"Definitive Notes"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.11(b).

**"Delayed Drawdown Loan"**: A Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that

(i) requires the Issuer to make one or more future advances to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments,

(ii) specifies a maximum amount that can be borrowed on one or more fixed borrowing dates, and

(iii) does not permit the re-borrowing of any amount previously repaid.

A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Delayed Drawdown Loan for so long as its unused commitment amount is greater than zero.

**"Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(b).

**"Deliver" or "Delivered" or "Delivery"**: The taking of the following steps:

(i) in the case of each Certificated Security (UCC) (other than a Clearing Corporation Security) or Instrument,

(A) causing the delivery of such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument to the Custodian registered in the name of the Custodian or endorsed, by an effective endorsement, to the Custodian or in blank,

(B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument is credited to the applicable Account, and

(C) causing the Custodian to maintain continuous possession of such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument;



- (ii) in the case of each Uncertificated Security (other than a Clearing Corporation Security),
  - (A) causing such Uncertificated Security to be continuously registered on the books of the issuer thereof to the Custodian, and
  - (B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Uncertificated Security is credited to the applicable Account;
- (iii) in the case of each Clearing Corporation Security,
  - (A) causing the relevant Clearing Corporation to credit such Clearing Corporation Security to the securities account of the Custodian, and
  - (B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate by on its books and records that such Clearing Corporation Security is credited to the applicable Account;
- (iv) in the case of each security issued or guaranteed by the United States of America or agency or instrumentality thereof and that is maintained in book-entry records of a Federal Reserve Bank ("*FRB*") (each such security, a "*Government Security*"),
  - (A) causing the creation of a Security Entitlement to such Government Security by the credit of such Government Security to the securities account of the Custodian at such FRB, and
  - (B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Government Security is credited to the applicable Account;
- above, (v) in the case of each Security Entitlement not governed by clauses (i) through (iv),
  - (A) causing a Securities Intermediary (x) to indicate on its books and records that the underlying Financial Asset has been credited to be the Custodian's securities account, (y) to receive a Financial Asset from a Securities Intermediary or acquiring the underlying Financial Asset for a Securities Intermediary, and in either case, accepting it for credit to the Custodian's securities account or (z) to become obligated under other law, regulation or rule to credit the underlying Financial Asset to a Security Intermediary's securities account,
  - (B) causing such Securities Intermediary to make entries on its books and records continuously identifying such Security Entitlement as belonging to the Custodian and continuously indicating on its books and records that such Security Entitlement is credited to the Custodian's securities account, and
  - (C) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Security Entitlement (or all rights and property of the Custodian representing such Security Entitlement) is credited to the applicable Account;
- (vi) in the case of cash or money,
  - (A) causing the delivery of such cash or money to the Custodian,

(B) causing the Custodian to treat such cash or money as a Financial Asset maintained by such Custodian for credit to the applicable Account in accordance with the provisions of Article 8 of the UCC, and

(C) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such cash or money is credited to the applicable Account; and

(vii) in the case of each general intangible (including any Participation in which the Participation is not represented by an Instrument),

(A) causing the filing of a Financing Statement in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of the District of Columbia, Washington, DC, and

(B) causing the registration of this Indenture in the Register of Mortgages of the Issuer at the Issuer's registered office in the Cayman Islands;

in addition, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will obtain any and all consents required by the underlying agreements relating to any such general intangibles for the transfer of ownership and/or pledge hereunder (except to the extent that the requirement for such consent is rendered ineffective under Section 9-406 of the UCC).

In addition to the methods specified above, any Collateral may be delivered in accordance with any other method specified in an Opinion of Counsel delivered to the Trustee as sufficient to establish a first priority perfected security (subject to customary exceptions and qualifications) interest therein.

**"Depository" or "DTC":** The Depository Trust Company and its nominees.

**"Determination Date":** The last day of any Due Period.

**"DIP Loan":** Any Loan

(i) that has a rating assigned by Moody's (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by Moody's, the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by Moody's within five Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer) and a rating assigned by S&P (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by S&P, the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P within two Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer),

(ii) that is an obligation of a debtor in possession as described in Section 1107 of the Bankruptcy Code or a trustee (if appointment of a trustee has been ordered pursuant to Section 1104 of the Bankruptcy Code) (a "**Debtor**") organized under the laws of the United States or any state of the United States, and

(iii) the terms of which have been approved by a final order of the United States Bankruptcy Court, United States District Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, the enforceability of which order is not subject to any pending contested matter or proceeding (as those terms are defined in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure) and which order provides that

(A) the Loan is secured by liens on the Debtor's otherwise unencumbered assets pursuant to Section 364(c)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code,

(B) the Loan is secured by liens of equal or senior priority on property of the Debtor's estate that is otherwise subject to a lien pursuant to Section 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code,

(C) the Loan is fully secured (based on a current valuation or appraisal report) by junior liens on the Debtor's encumbered assets, or

(D) if any portion of the Loan is unsecured, the repayment of the Loan retains priority over all other administrative expenses pursuant to Section 364(c)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code (and in the case of this clause (D), before the acquisition of the Loan, the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency).

**"Discount Note"**: Any Note that is treated as being issued with "original issue discount" within the meaning of Section 1271 through 1275 of the Code and Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.

**"Diversity Score"**: A single number that indicates collateral concentration in terms of both issuer and industry concentration, calculated as set forth in Schedule 4 to this Indenture.

**"Diversity Test"**: A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Diversity Score equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score. For the purposes of calculating the Diversity Test, any Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation will be disregarded.

**"Dollar" or "U.S. Dollar" or "U.S.\$"**: A dollar or other equivalent unit in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for all debts, public and private.

**"Domicile" or "Domiciled"**: With respect to each Collateral Obligation, (i) the jurisdiction of incorporation, organization or creation of the related obligor or (ii) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that would otherwise be considered to be domiciled pursuant to clause (i) in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction, the jurisdiction in which, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the related obligor conducts substantially all of its business operations and in which the assets primarily responsible for generating its revenues are located.

**"Due Date"**: Each date on which any payment is due on a Pledged Obligation in accordance with its terms.

**"Due Period"**: With respect to any Payment Date, for all purposes other than payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements, the period from the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date, from the Closing Date) up to but excluding the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the Payment Date (or in the case of the final Payment Date or any Payment Date that is a Redemption Date, through the Business Day before the Payment Date and for payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements the period from the day after the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date from the Closing Date) through the Payment Date).

**"Eligibility Criteria"**: The meaning specified in Section 12.2(b).

**"Eligible Collateral"**: Means: (i) Cash, (ii) U.S. Treasury obligations, (iii) U.S. agency obligations or (iv) commercial paper obligations rated at least "P-1" by Moody's (and not on watch for downgrade) and "A-1+" by S&P, in each case to collateralize fully on a mark-to-market basis the obligations of a Hedge Counterparty under the related Hedge Agreement.

**"Eligible Country":** The United States, Canada and any country classified by Moody's as a Moody's Group I Country, Moody's Group II Country or Moody's Group III Country and, in each case, has an S&P foreign currency rating of at least "AA" by S&P; provided that such country has not imposed currency exchange controls.

**"Eligible Equity Security":** An equity security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation by, or on behalf of, the Issuer that (i) is publicly traded on an Established Securities Market or (ii) the Market Value of which is higher than the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation with respect to which such equity security has been acquired by the Issuer.

**"Eligible Investments":** Any Dollar-denominated obligation or asset that, when it is pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee under this Indenture, is one or more of the following:

- (a) Cash;
- (b) direct Registered obligations of, and Registered obligations the timely payment of principal and interest on which is fully and expressly guaranteed by, the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States the obligations of which are expressly backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, which in each case are not zero coupon securities;
- (c) demand and time deposits in, trust accounts, certificates of deposit payable within 91 days of issuance of, bankers' acceptances payable within 91 days of issuance issued by, or Federal funds sold by any depository institution or trust company incorporated under the laws of the United States or any state thereof and subject to supervision and examination by Federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or the debt obligations of such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company), at the time of such acquisition or contractual commitment providing for such acquisition and throughout the term thereof, have a credit rating of not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade, or "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P in the case of commercial paper and short-term debt obligations; provided that in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than "AA-" by S&P and "Aa3" by Moody's and a short-term rating of "A-1+" by S&P and "P-1" by Moody's, and if so rated, is not on watch for downgrade;
- (d) commercial paper or other short-term obligations with a maturity of not more than 183 days from the date of issuance and having at the time of such acquisition a credit rating of at least "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P; provided that, in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade.
- (e) unleveraged repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clause (b) above entered into with a U.S. federal or state depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (c) above or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose long-term credit rating is not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade or whose short-term credit rating is "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof; provided that, if such repurchase obligation has a maturity of longer than 91 days, the counterparty thereto must also have at the time of

such acquisition and throughout the term thereof a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(f) any money market fund or similar vehicle having at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof a credit rating of "MR1+" by Moody's and "AAAm" by S&P; including any fund for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee serves as an investment adviser, administrator, shareholder servicing agent, custodian or subcustodian, notwithstanding that (A) the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses from such funds for services rendered (provided that such charges, fees and expenses are on terms consistent with terms negotiated at arm's length) and (B) the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses for services rendered, pursuant to this Indenture;

(g) a guaranteed reinvestment agreement from a bank (if treated as a deposit by such bank), insurance company or other corporation or entity organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (if treated as debt by such insurance company or other corporation or entity), providing for periodic payments thereunder during each Due Period; provided that each such agreement provides that it is terminable by the purchaser, without premium or penalty, in the event that the rating assigned to such agreement by either Moody's or S&P is at any time lower than the then current ratings assigned to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes; provided, further, that, at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof, the issuer of such agreement has a senior unsecured long-term debt rating, issuer rating or counterparty rating of at least "Aaa" by Moody's, a short-term debt rating of "P-1" by Moody's (and not on watch for downgrade), a short-term debt rating of at least "A-1+" by S&P and a long-term debt rating of at least "AAA" by S&P (and not on watch for downgrade); and

(h) such other obligations or assets for which Rating Confirmation has been received;

and, in each case, with a stated maturity (giving effect to any applicable grace period) no later than the Business Day before the Payment Date next succeeding the date of acquisition.

Eligible Investments on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account must have a stated maturity no later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase.

Eligible Investments may not include:

(1) any interest-only security, any security purchased at a price in excess of 100% of its par value, or any security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer;

(2) any security whose rating assigned by S&P includes the subscript "r," "t," "p," "pi," or "q";

(3) any floating rate security whose interest rate is inversely or otherwise not proportionately related to an interest rate index or is calculated as other than the sum of an interest rate index plus a spread (which spread may be zero);

(4) any security that is subject to an exchange or tender offer; or

- (5) any security that has payments subject to foreign or United States withholding tax.

Eligible Investments may include Eligible Investments for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee provides services. Eligible Investments may not include obligations principally secured by real property.

**"Emerging Market Security"**: A security or obligation issued by a sovereign or non-sovereign issuer located in a country (excluding the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Netherlands Antilles, and the Channel Islands):

- (i) that is in Latin America, Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, or the Caribbean, or
- (ii) the long-term foreign currency debt obligations of which are rated below "Aa2" or "Aa2" and on credit watch with negative implications by Moody's or the foreign currency issuer credit rating of which is below "AA" by S&P.

**"ERISA"**: The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended.

**"Established Securities Market"**: Any national securities exchange registered under Section 6 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or exempted from registration because of the limited volume of transaction; any foreign securities exchange that, under the laws of the jurisdiction where it is organized, satisfies regulatory requirements that are analogous to the regulatory requirements imposed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; any regional or local exchange; and any interdealer quotation system that regularly disseminates firm buy or sell quotations by identified brokers or dealers, by electronic means or otherwise.

**"Euroclear"**: Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear system.

**"Event of Default"**: The meaning specified in Section 5.1.

**"Excel Default Model Input File"**: An electronic spreadsheet file in Microsoft excel format to be provided to S&P, which file shall include the balance of Cash and Eligible Investments in each account and the following information (to the extent such information is not confidential) with respect to each Collateral Obligation:

- (a) the name and country of domicile of the issuer thereof and the particular obligation or security held by the Issuer,
- (b) the CUSIP or other applicable identification number associated with such Collateral Obligation,
- (c) the par value of such Collateral Obligation,
- (d) the type of obligation or security (including, by way of example, whether such Collateral Obligation is a bond, loan or asset-backed security), using such abbreviations as may be selected by the Trustee,
- (e) a description of the index or other applicable benchmark upon which the interest payable on such Collateral Obligation is based (including, by way of example, fixed rate, step-up rate, zero coupon and LIBOR),

(f) the coupon (in the case of a Collateral Obligation which bears interest at a fixed rate) or the spread over the applicable index (in the case of a Collateral Obligation which bears interest at a floating rate),

(g) the S&P Industry Classification for such Collateral Obligation,

(h) the stated maturity date of such Collateral Obligation,

(i) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation or the issuer thereof, as applicable,

(j) the applicable S&P Priority Category, and

(k) such other information as the Trustee may determine to include in such file.

**"Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations"**: The Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations in excess of 7.5% of the Maximum Amount on the relevant Determination Date.

**"Exchange Act"**: The United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

**"Excluded Property"**: (i) U.S.\$250 (attributable to the issue and allotment of the Issuer Ordinary Shares) and a U.S.\$250 transaction fee paid to the Issuer, the bank account in which those amounts are credited in the Cayman Islands and any interest earned on those amounts and (ii) any amounts credited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account from time to time.

**"Expense Reimbursement Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(c).

**"Extended Replacement Period End Date"**: If an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Replacement Period End Date (or, in the case of the first Extension pursuant to Section 2.4, the Payment Date in August, 2017); provided that the "Extended Replacement Period End Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in August, 2029.

**"Extended Scheduled Holding Preference Shares Redemption Date"**: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Scheduled Holding Preference Shares Redemption Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Scheduled Holding Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Payment Date in August 2022).

**"Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date"**: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Payment Date in August 2022).

**"Extended Stated Maturity Date"**: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Stated Maturity Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Payment Date in August, 2022); provided that the "Extended Stated Maturity Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in August, 2034.

**"Extended Weighted Average Life Date"**: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Weighted Average Life Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Weighted Average Life Date, August 1, 2019); provided that the "Extended

Weighted Average Life Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in August, 2031.

**"Extension":** An extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test pursuant to Section 2.4.

**"Extension Bonus Payment":** With respect to each Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable beneficial owner set forth in Section 2.4(g), in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Class A Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class B Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (3) in the case of the Class C Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (4) in the case of the Class D Notes, 0.50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date and (5) in the case of the Class E Notes, 0.50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

**"Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification":** With respect to each Maturity Extension and each beneficial owner of Notes other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such beneficial owner acceptable to the Issuer to the effect that it held Notes other than Extension Sale Securities on the applicable Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof in the case of the Notes and wire transfer instructions for the Extension Bonus Payment and any required documentation thereunder.

**"Extension Conditions":** The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Determination Date":** The 8<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to each Extension Effective Date.

**"Extension Effective Date":** If an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extension Effective Date (or, in the case of the first Extension Effective Date, the Payment Date in May, 2011).

**"Extension Notice":** The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Purchase Price":** The purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with each Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the applicable Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date) and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares and the Holding Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be, since the Closing Date would cause such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); provided, however, that if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return or a Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, as applicable, equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, shall be zero.



**"Extension Qualifying Purchasers"**: The Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); provided that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Extension Sale Securities from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.4(c), "Extension Qualifying Purchasers" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Placement Agents, the Investors Corp. Placement Agents or any of their respective Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; provided, however, none of the Servicer, the Placement Agents, the Investors Corp. Placement Agents or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

**"Extension Sale Notice"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Sale Notice Period"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Sale Securities"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Face Amount"**: With respect to any Preference Share or Holding Preference Share, the amount set forth therein as the "face amount" thereof, which "face amount" shall be \$1,000 per Preference Share or Holding Preference Share.

**"Finance Lease"**: A lease agreement or other agreement entered into in connection with and evidencing a Leasing Finance Transaction.

**"Financial Asset"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(9) of the UCC.

**"Financing Statements"**: Financing statements relating to the Collateral naming the Issuer as debtor and the Trustee on behalf of the Secured Parties as secured party.

**"Fixed Rate Excess"**: As of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose numerator is the product of:

- (i) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date over the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, and
- (ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date,

and whose denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Fixed Rate Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Spread Excess were equal to zero.

**"Floating Rate Notes"**: The Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**"Floating Rate Obligation"**: Any Collateral Obligation that bears interest based on a floating rate index.

**"Form-Approved Synthetic Security":** A Synthetic Security

(i) (A) each of the Reference Obligations of which satisfy the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and could be purchased by the Issuer without any required action by the Rating Agencies, without satisfaction of the Rating Condition or which the Rating Agencies have otherwise approved; or

(B) each of the Reference Obligations of which would satisfy clause (A) above but for the currency in which the Reference Obligation is payable and the Synthetic Security is payable in Dollars, does not provide for physical settlement, and does not expose the Issuer to Dollar currency risk;

(ii) the Synthetic Security Agreement of which conforms (but for the amount and timing of periodic payments, the name of the Reference Obligation, the notional amount, the effective date, the termination date, and other similar necessary changes) to a form that has been expressly identified and approved in writing in connection with a request under this Indenture by Moody's and S&P;

(iii) a copy of the Synthetic Security Agreement of which has been delivered to the Holders of the Class A Notes by the Trustee at the expense of the Co-Issuers and upon being furnished with a copy of the same by the Servicer; and

(iv) that is with a counterparty with respect to which the Rating Condition has been satisfied by each of Moody's and S&P prior to the acquisition of any such Form-Approved Synthetic Security, and such approval has not been withdrawn.

Moody's or S&P may at any time, by notice to the Servicer, withdraw its approval of any such form. A withdrawal of approval shall have no effect on any Synthetic Security acquired, entered into, or committed to before the date on which the Servicer receives the notice of withdrawal.

**"GAAP":** The meaning specified in Section 6.3(j).

**"Global Notes":** Any Regulation S Global Notes or Rule 144A Global Notes.

**"Grand Central Warehouse Agreement":** The Master Participation Agreement, dated as of June 5, 2006, among Grand Central Asset Trust, SOH Series, as participant and warehouse provider, the Issuer and the Servicer, as amended.

**"Grant":** To grant, bargain, sell, warrant, alienate, remise, demise, release, convey, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge, create, and grant a security interest in and right of setoff against, deposit, set over, and confirm. A Grant of the Pledged Obligations, or of any other instrument, shall include all rights, powers, and options of the granting party thereunder, including the immediate continuing right to claim for, collect, receive, and receipt for principal and interest payments in respect of the Pledged Obligations, and all other monies payable thereunder, to give and receive notices and other communications, to make waivers or other agreements, to exercise all rights and options, to bring Proceedings in the name of the granting party or otherwise, and generally to do and receive anything that the granting party is or may be entitled to do or receive thereunder or with respect thereto.

**"Hedge Agreements":** Collectively, all interest rate cap or interest rate swap agreements between the Issuer and any Hedge Counterparty, and any replacement agreement entered into pursuant to Section 15.2.

**"Hedge Counterparty"**: IXIS Financial Products Inc. or any other counterparty, to the extent that when the Issuer enters into any Hedge Agreement with IXIS Financial Products Inc. or the other counterparty, IXIS Financial Products Inc. or the other counterparty satisfies the requirements of Section 15.2(b) (subject, in the case of any other counterparty, to satisfaction of the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency).

**"Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(d).

**"Hedge Termination Receipt"**: Any termination payment paid by the Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer upon any early termination of a Hedge Agreement with respect to which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**"HFP"**: Highland Financial Partners, L.P., an Affiliate of the Servicer.

**"Highland Warehouse Agreement"**: The Master Warehousing and Participation Agreement, dated as of April 19, 2006, among Highland Special Opportunities Holding Company, as participant and warehouse provider, the Issuer and the Servicer, as amended.

**"High-Yield Bond"**: Any debt security, other than a Loan or a Structured Finance Obligation, that is either Registered or, if not Registered, (i) it is issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States, (ii) the payments on it are not subject to United States withholding tax and (iii) it is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**"Holder"**: Of any Note, the person whose name appears on the Indenture Register as the registered holder of the Note; of any Preference Share, the person whose name appears in the Preference Share register related thereto as the registered holder of such Preference Share; and of any Holding Preference Share, the person whose name appears in the Holding Preference Share register related thereto as the registered holder of such Holding Preference Share.

**"Holding Preference Share Documents"**: Investors Corp.'s memorandum and articles of association, the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the resolutions of Investors Corp.'s board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Holding Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

**"Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return"**: With respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the "XIRR" function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for each distribution made to the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Holding Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date, assuming all Holding Preference Shares are purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount.

**"Holding Preference Shares"**: Preference shares issued by Investors Corp. pursuant to the Holding Preference Share Documents.

**"Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement"**: The Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, by and between Investors Corp. and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

**"Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent"**: U.S. Bank National Association, in its capacity as holding preference shares paying agent under the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the holding preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter "Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent" shall mean such successor Person.

**"Holding Share Registrar"**: Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited or any successor thereto.

**"Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice"**: A notice substantially in the form of Exhibit H-2.

**"Indenture"**: This instrument as originally executed and, if from time to time supplemented or amended by one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture entered into pursuant to this Indenture, as so supplemented or amended.

**"Indenture Register"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.6(a).

**"Indenture Registrar"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.6(a).

**"Independent"**: As to any person, any other person (including, in the case of an accountant or lawyer, a firm of accountants or lawyers, and any member of the firm, or an investment bank and any member of the bank) who

(i) does not have and is not committed to acquire any material direct or any material indirect financial interest in the person or in any Affiliate of the person, and

(ii) is not connected with the person as an Officer, employee, promoter, underwriter, voting trustee, partner, director, or person performing similar functions.

"Independent" when used with respect to any accountant may include an accountant who audits the books of the person if in addition to satisfying the criteria above the accountant is independent with respect to the person within the meaning of Rule 101 of the Code of Ethics of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

Whenever any Independent person's opinion or certificate is to be furnished to the Trustee, the opinion or certificate shall state that the signer has read this definition and that the signer is Independent within the meaning of this Indenture.

**"Initial Consent Period"**: The period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee mailed notice of a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2(b) to the Holders of Securities.

**"Initial Rating"**: The ratings by Moody's and S&P with respect to each Class of Notes provided in the table in Section 2.3(a).

**"Insolvency Event"**: With respect to any person, means that:

(i) an involuntary proceeding shall be commenced or an involuntary petition shall be filed seeking:

(A) liquidation, reorganization, or other relief in respect of the person or its debts, or of all or substantially all of its assets, under any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar law now or hereafter in effect, or

(B) the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, conservator, or similar official for the person or for all or substantially all of its assets,

and, in any such case, the proceeding or petition shall continue undismissed for 30 days; or an order or decree approving or ordering any of the foregoing shall be entered, or

(ii) the person shall:

(A) voluntarily commence any proceeding or file any petition seeking liquidation, reorganization, or other relief under any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar law now or hereafter in effect,

(B) consent to the institution of, or fail to contest in a timely and appropriate manner, any proceeding or petition described in clause (i) above,

(C) apply for or consent to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, or conservator or for all or substantially all of its assets,

(D) file an answer admitting the material allegations of a petition filed against it in any such proceeding, or

(E) make a general assignment for the benefit of creditors.

**"Insolvency Proceeding"**: The meaning specified in Section 16.4(b).

**"Instrument"**: The meaning specified in Section 9-102(a)(47) of the UCC.

**"Interest Coverage Ratio"**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by dividing:

(i) the sum of:

(A) the Interest Proceeds received or scheduled to be received with respect to the Due Period in which the Measurement Date occurs, minus

(B) amounts payable under clauses (1), (2), (3) and (4) of Section 11.1(a)(i) on the related Payment Date, by:

(ii) all accrued and unpaid interest on the specified Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to the Class, including any Deferred Interest on the related Payment Date.

For purposes of the Interest Coverage Ratio, only the amount of any interest payment (including any "gross up" payment) on any Collateral Obligation in excess of any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction on any date of determination shall be included in Interest Proceeds.

**"Interest Coverage Test":** A test the first Measurement Date for which will be on the second Payment Date and that is satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level in the table below for the specified Class:

<u>Test</u>	<u>Required Level</u>
Class A/B Interest Coverage Test	120.0%
Class C Interest Coverage Test	115.0%
Class D Interest Coverage Test	110.0%
Class E Interest Coverage Test	105.0%

**"Interest Period":** Initially, the period from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the first Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date.

**"Interest Proceeds":** With respect to any Due Period, the sum (without duplication) of all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period (or as otherwise specified below) by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are:

(i) payments of interest, fees, and commissions (excluding (A) Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal, (B) interest and dividends on Workout Assets, (C) fees and commissions from Defaulted Collateral Obligations, and (D) syndication and other up-front fees and any up-front fixed payments received in connection with entering into a Synthetic Security);

(ii) any portion of the Sale Proceeds of a Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) representing Accrued Interest On Sale;

(iii) all payments of principal on, or disposition proceeds from the sale of, Eligible Investments to the extent purchased with Interest Proceeds;

(iv) payments with respect to the Hedge Agreements received on or before the related Payment Date (other than any amount payable thereunder because of any early termination or notional amount reduction), but not any Sale Proceeds from any of these instruments (except to the extent that they were purchased with Interest Proceeds);

(v) all fees received pursuant to any Securities Lending Agreements;

(vi) amounts in the Collection Account designated for distribution as Interest Proceeds pursuant to the Priority of Payments (including any amount transferred from the Interest Reserve Account);

(vii) all earnings on amounts in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account and the Revolving Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.3(b);

(viii) amounts in the Expense Reimbursement Account on the Payment Date for the relevant Due Period; and

(ix) any recoveries (including interest) received on a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in excess of the principal balance of such Defaulted Collateral Obligation (as of the date the related Collateral Obligation became a Defaulted Collateral Obligation).

Interest Proceeds shall not include the Excluded Property and Interest Proceeds shall not include earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

Each reference in the definition of "Interest Proceeds" to a Collateral Obligation shall include a Collateral Obligation that has been loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and Interest Proceeds shall include any amounts referred to in clauses (i) through (iii) above received by the Issuer in respect of the Collateral Obligation indirectly from the related Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement.

With respect to any Payment Date, Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Interest Proceeds due and payable on such Payment Date to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date that are distributed to such Holders by way of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of Cash pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(i) will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds.

**"Interest Reserve Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(i).

**"Investment Company Act"**: The United States Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

**"Investors Corp."**: Red River Investors Corp., an exempted limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands.

**"Investors Corp. Placement Agency Agreement"**: A placement agency agreement dated July 21, 2006 among Investors Corp. and IXIS Securities North America Inc. as Lead Manager on behalf of the Investors Corp. Placement Agents relating to the placement of the Placed Shares, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Investors Corp. Placement Agents"**: IXIS Securities North America Inc. and IXIS Corporate & Investment Bank.

**"Investors Corp. Subscription Agreement"**: A subscription agreement dated July 21, 2006 among Investors Corp. and the Issuer relating to the purchase of the Class I Preference Shares by Investors Corp.

**"Irish Paying Agent"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.2.

**"Issuer"**: The Person named as such on the first page of this Indenture.

**"Issuer Accounts"**: The meaning assigned in the Granting Clauses.

**"Issuer Order"** and **"Issuer Request"**: A written order or request dated and signed in the name of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp. by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or Investors Corp., as applicable, or by the Servicer by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

**"Issuer Ordinary Shares"**: The ordinary shares, par value \$1.00 per share, of the Issuer which have been issued by the Issuer and are outstanding from time to time.

**"IXIS Placement Agents"**: IXIS Securities North America Inc. and IXIS Corporate & Investment Bank.

**"IXIS Warehouse Agreement"**: The Master Warehousing and Participation Agreement, dated as of February 2, 2006, among MMP-5 Funding, LLC, as participant and warehouse provider, the Issuer, the Servicer and IXIS Financial Products Inc., as the Initial TRS Provider, as amended.

**"Junior Class"**: With respect to a particular Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that is subordinated to that Class, as indicated in Section 13.1.

**"Leasing Finance Transaction"**: Any transaction pursuant to which the obligations of the lessee to pay rent or other amounts on a triple net basis under any lease of (or other arrangement conveying the right to use) real or personal property, or a combination thereof, are required to be classified and accounted for as a capital lease on a balance sheet of such lessee under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America; but only if (a) such lease or other transaction provides for the unconditional obligation of the lessee to pay a stated amount of principal no later than a stated maturity date, together with interest thereon, and the payment of such obligation is not subject to any material non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer, (b) the obligations of the lessee in respect of such lease or other transaction are fully secured, directly or indirectly, by the property that is the subject of such lease and (c) the interest held by the Issuer in respect of such lease or other transaction is treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

**"LIBOR"**: The offered rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent for any Interest Period, for three month Dollar deposits that appears on Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News (or a page that replaces Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), as of 11:00 A.M. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period.

If, on the second Business Day before the first day of any relevant Interest Period, that rate does not appear on Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Market Commodities News (or a page that replaces Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), the Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks to prime banks in the London interbank market for three month Dollar deposits in Europe, by reference to requests by the Calculation Agent to four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) (the **"Reference Banks"**) for quotations as of approximately 11:00 A.M. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the Interest Period. If at least two of the Reference Banks provide quotations as requested, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean. If fewer than two Reference Banks provide quotations, LIBOR shall be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that leading banks in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) are quoting to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period for three month Dollar deposits.

If the Calculation Agent is unable to determine a rate in accordance with any of the above procedures, LIBOR for the Interest Period shall be calculated on the last day of the Interest Period and shall be the arithmetic mean of the rate of interest for each day during the Interest Period determined by the Calculation Agent as being the rate of interest most recently announced by the Bank at its New York office as its base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans (or if the Bank ceases to exist or is not quoting a base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans, another major money center commercial bank in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer)).



For the first Interest Period and, unless the Maturity Extension occurs, the last Interest Period, LIBOR shall be determined based on the actual number of days in the Interest Period using straight-line interpolation of two rates calculated in accordance with the above procedure, except that instead of using three month deposits, one rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next shorter than the Interest Period and the other rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next longer than the Interest Period. All calculations shall be calculated to at least four decimal places and rounded to four decimal places.

**"Loan"**: Any interest in a fully committed, senior secured, unsecured, or revolving loan (including loans involving credit linked deposits) that is acquired by assignment or by Participation (including any DIP Loan) that is either:

- (i) Registered, or
- (ii) issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States:
  - (A) whose payments are not subject to United States withholding tax;
  - and
  - (B) that is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**"Long-Dated Collateral Obligation"**: Any Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturity of the Notes other than a Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturities of the Notes that includes a "put" option to its obligor at a price of at least par payable on or before the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

**"Majority"**: With respect to any Class or group of Notes or the Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**"Margin Stock"**: "Margin Stock" as defined under Regulation U issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, including any debt security that is by its terms convertible into Margin Stock, but does not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation received pursuant to an offer by an issuer of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**"Market Value"**: As of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) based upon the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the lower of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the bid-side prices for the purchase of the Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer).

If a Market Value of any Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined in accordance with the procedures set out in the preceding paragraph for a period of 30 consecutive days then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero; provided that, during such 30

day period, such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the lower of (i) the product of (x) the Principal Balance of such Collateral Obligation multiplied by (y) 1.25 multiplied by (z) the applicable S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate and (ii) the current market value of such Collateral Obligation as determined by the Servicer in its commercially reasonable judgment; provided, further, that the maximum amount of Collateral Obligations having a Market Value assigned pursuant to the immediately preceding proviso shall be limited to 5.0% of the Maximum Amount (and any amount in excess of 5.0% of the Maximum Amount shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero). For the avoidance of doubt, the procedures set out in this paragraph shall not apply to determinations of Market Value of any Eligible Equity Securities.

The Servicer is under no obligation to determine the Market Value of the Collateral Obligations other than as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or this Indenture or to comply with any of its duties as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or in this Indenture.

**"Market Value Determination Date"**: With respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities, one Business Day prior to the date of the notice distributed by the Issuer to the Holders of the Preference Shares in connection with such distribution.

**"Market Value Percentage"**: For any Collateral Obligation, the ratio obtained by dividing:

- (i) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation, *by*
- (ii) the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Maturity"**: With respect to any Note, the date on which the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable as provided in the Note or this Indenture, whether at the Stated Maturity or by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise.

**"Maturity Extension"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Maximum Amount"**: An amount equal to:

- (i) on any Measurement Date during the Ramp-Up Period, U.S.\$880,700,000; and
- (ii) on any Measurement Date after the Ramp-Up Completion Date:
  - (A) the aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations plus the aggregate outstanding principal amount of any Defaulted Collateral Obligations, *plus*
  - (B) Cash representing Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account, *plus*
  - (C) Eligible Investments (other than Cash) purchased by the Issuer with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account.

**"Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor"**: As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the sum of (i) the number set forth in the column entitled "Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable) plus (ii) the Recovery Rate Modifier.

**"Measurement Date":** Any date:

- (i) on which the Issuer commits to acquire or dispose of any Collateral Obligation;
- (ii) on which a Collateral Obligation becomes a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
- (iii) that is a Determination Date;
- (iv) that is the Ramp-Up Completion Date;
- (v) that is the date as of which the information in a Monthly Report is calculated pursuant to Section 10.6; and,

with respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities only,

- (vi) that is a Market Value Determination Date.

**"Memorandum and Articles of Association":** The memorandum and articles of association of the Issuer, as amended and restated before the Closing Date or in accordance with this Indenture.

**"Merging Entity":** The meaning specified in Section 7.10.

**"Minimum Diversity Score":** As of any Measurement Date, a score equal to the number set forth in the column entitled "Minimum Diversity Score" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**"Minimum Weighted Average Spread":** As of any Measurement Date, the spread equal to the percentage set forth in the row entitled "Minimum Weighted Average Spread" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**"Monthly Determination Date":** The meaning specified in Section 10.6(a).

**"Monthly Report":** The meaning specified in Section 10.6(a).

**"Moody's":** Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

**"Moody's Default Probability Rating":** The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating":** The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Moody's Group I Country":** Any of the following countries: Australia, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group I Country.

**"Moody's Group II Country":** Any of the following countries: Germany, Ireland, Sweden, Switzerland and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group II Country.

**"Moody's Group III Country":** Any of the following countries: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, Spain and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group III Country.

**"Moody's Industry Classification":** The industry classifications in Schedule 2 as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by Moody's.

**"Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate":** As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the number obtained by

(i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate,

(ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations, and

(iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

**"Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan":** Any Loan that is not a Moody's Senior Secured Loan.

**"Moody's Obligation Rating":** The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Moody's Priority Category":** Each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" as a "Moody's Priority Category."

**"Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate":** For any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" opposite the Moody's Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Rating":** The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Moody's Rating Factor":** The number in the table below opposite the rating of the Collateral Obligation (excluding Synthetic Securities where an Assigned Moody's Rating is not available).

Moody's Rating	Moody's Rating Factor	Moody's Rating	Moody's Rating Factor
Aaa	1	Ba1	940
Aa1	10	Ba2	1350
Aa2	20	Ba3	1766
Aa3	40	B1	2220
A1	70	B2	2720
A2	120	B3	3490
A3	180	Caa1	4770
Baa1	260	Caa2	6500
Baa2	360	Caa3	8070
Baa3	610	Ca or lower	10000

The Moody's Rating Factor for Collateral Obligations that are Synthetic Securities shall be determined by Moody's and obtained by the Issuer or the Servicer on a case-by-case basis, unless there is an Assigned Moody's Rating available for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, in which case such Assigned Moody's Rating shall be used to compute the Moody's Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security.

The Moody's Rating Factor for any Collateral Obligation that is a Structured Finance Security shall be equal to:  $\frac{A \times 55\%}{1 - B}$ ,

where: "A" means the number determined with respect to such Collateral Obligation pursuant to the table above; and

"B" means the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Senior Secured Loan":**

(a) a Loan that:

(i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan,

(ii) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan, and

(iii) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal seniority secured by a first lien or security interest in the same collateral, or

(b) a Loan that:

(i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan, other than, with respect to a Loan described in clause (a) above, with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such loan,

(ii) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan,

(iii) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by a first or second lien or security interest in the same collateral, and

(iv) has been assigned a Moody's Obligation Rating equal to or higher than the applicable Moody's Default Probability Rating, and

(c) the Loan is not: (i) a DIP Loan, (ii) a Loan for which the security interest or lien (or the validity or effectiveness thereof) in substantially all of its collateral attaches, becomes effective, or otherwise "springs" into existence after the origination thereof, or (iii) a type of loan that Moody's has identified as having unusual terms and with respect to which its Moody's Recovery Rate has been or is to be determined on a case-by-case basis.

**"Non-Call Period"**: The period from the Closing Date to but not including the Payment Date in August, 2011.

**"Non-Consenting Holder"**: With respect to any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, any Holder or, in the case of Securities represented by Global Notes, any beneficial owner, that either (i) has delivered to the Trustee a written notice that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) had not consented to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

**"Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder"**: With respect to any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, any Holder of Holding Preference Shares that either (i) has directed Investors Corp. not to consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) has not provided Investors Corp. with any direction with respect to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

**"Non-Performing Collateral Obligation"**: Any Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any PIK Security as to which its issuer or obligor has previously deferred or capitalized any interest due on it and all the interest so deferred or capitalized has not subsequently been paid in full in cash by:

(i) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above, the earlier of its second payment date or one year following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it, or

(ii) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "Baa3," or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "BBB-," the earlier of its first payment date or six months following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it.

**"Non-Permitted Holder"**: (a) With respect to the Global Notes, a Holder or beneficial owner of an interest in a Global Note that is a U.S. person and (i) not a QIB/QP and that becomes the beneficial owner of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note or (ii) does not have an exemption available under the Securities Act and (b) with respect to the Class E Notes, a Holder or beneficial owner of an interest in a Class E Note that is not a QIB/QP.

**"Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor"**: The meaning specified in the second paragraph of Section 2.6(c).

**"Non-qualifying Collateral Obligation"**: The meaning specified in Section 12.1(d).

**"Note Break-Even Loss Rate"**: With respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the maximum percentage of defaults that the Current Portfolio or Proposed Portfolio can sustain and nevertheless sufficient funds will remain for the payment of principal of the Class of Notes in full by its Stated Maturity and the timely payment of interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes using S&P's assumptions on recoveries, defaults, and timing, and taking into account the Priority of Payments and the adjusted Weighted

Average Spread level specified in the applicable row of the table below. The adjusted Weighted Average Spread as of any Measurement Date is the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date minus the amount of any Spread Excess added to the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon as of the Measurement Date.

Row	Adjusted Weighted Average Spread
1	Greater than or equal to 3.05%
2	Greater than or equal to 2.95% but less than 3.05%
3	Greater than or equal to 2.85% but less than 2.95%
4	Greater than or equal to 2.75% but less than 2.85%
5	Greater than or equal to 2.65% but less than 2.75%
6	Greater than or equal to 2.55% but less than 2.65%
7	Greater than or equal to 2.45% but less than 2.55%
8	Greater than or equal to 2.35% but less than 2.45%
9	Greater than or equal to 2.25% but less than 2.35%

**"Note Class Loss Differential"**: With respect to any Measurement Date and any Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the rate calculated by subtracting the Class Scenario Loss Rate for the Class from the then-applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate for the Class of Notes.

**"Noteholder"**: A Holder of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes.

**"Note Interest Rate"**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate payable on the Notes of the Class with respect to each Interest Period equal to LIBOR for Eurodollar deposits for the applicable Interest Period plus the spread specified in the "Interest Rate" rows of the tables in Section 2.3 with respect to such Notes except in the first Interest Period.

**"Note Payment Sequence"**: The application of funds in the following order:

- (1) to the Class A Notes until the Class A Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (2) to the Class B Notes until the Class B Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (3) to the Class C Notes until the Class C Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (4) to the Class D Notes until the Class D Notes have been fully redeemed and
- (5) to the Class E Notes until the Class E Notes have been fully redeemed.

**"Notes"**: The Senior Notes and the Class E Notes authorized by, and authenticated and delivered under, this Indenture or any supplemental indenture.

**"Objection Cut-Off Date"**: The meaning specified in Section 15.1(h)(ii).

**"Offer"**: The meaning specified in Section 10.7(c).

**"Offering"**: The offering of the Notes.

**"Offering Memorandum"**: The final offering memorandum, dated July 31, 2006, prepared and delivered in connection with the offer and sale of the Securities.

**"Officer"**: With respect to the Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to the Co-Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to any partnership, any of its general partners; and with respect to the Trustee, any Trust Officer.

**"Opinion of Counsel"**: A written opinion addressed to the Trustee and each Rating Agency, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and each Rating Agency, of an attorney at law (or law firm with one or more partners) reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and admitted to practice before the highest court of any state of the United States or the District of Columbia (or the Cayman Islands, in the case of an opinion relating to the laws of the Cayman Islands), which attorney (or law firm) may, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, be counsel for the Servicer, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. Whenever an Opinion of Counsel is required under this Indenture, the Opinion of Counsel may rely on opinions of other counsel who are so admitted and so satisfactory, which opinions of other counsel shall accompany the Opinion of Counsel and shall either be addressed to the Trustee and each Rating Agency or shall state that the Trustee and each Rating Agency may rely on it. An Opinion of Counsel may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion.

**"Optional Redemption"**: A redemption of the Notes in accordance with Section 9.2.

**"Other Indebtedness"**: The meaning specified in the definition of "Defaulted Collateral Obligation."

**"Outstanding"**: With respect to:

(a) the Notes or any specified Class, as of any date of determination, all of the Notes or all of the Notes of the specified Class, as the case may be, theretofore authenticated and delivered under this Indenture, except with respect to Notes:

(i) Notes canceled by the Indenture Registrar or delivered to the Indenture Registrar for cancellation;

(ii) Notes for whose payment or redemption funds in the necessary amount have been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for their Holders pursuant to Section 4.1(a)(ii) and if the Notes are to be redeemed, notice of redemption has been duly given pursuant to this Indenture;

(iii) Notes in exchange for or in lieu of which other Notes have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to this Indenture; and

(iv) Notes alleged to have been destroyed, lost, or stolen for which replacement Notes have been issued as provided in Section 2.7, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Notes are held by a protected purchaser;



(b) the Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Preference Share Documents and listed in the Preference Share register of the Issuer as outstanding;

(c) the Holding Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Holding Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Holding Preference Share Documents and listed in the Holding Preference Share register of Investors Corp. as outstanding;

provided that, in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Transaction Securities have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver under the Transaction Documents, Transaction Securities owned or beneficially owned by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, any Affiliate of either of them and, with respect to any matter affecting its status as Servicer or appointment of a replacement Servicer or relating to an acceleration of any Class of Notes if the effect of the Servicer's action or inaction as a Holder of Transaction Securities would effectively prevent acceleration, the Servicer, its Affiliates and any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (other than, with respect to Notes or Class II Preference Shares, HFP or any of its subsidiaries; provided that, with respect to the voting authority of Notes or Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) shall be disregarded and not be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver, only Securities that a Trust Officer of the Trustee (or with respect to the Preference Shares and Holding Preference Shares, only Preference Shares and Holding Preference Shares that an authorized officer of the Preference Shares Paying Agent or Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable) has actual knowledge to be so owned or beneficially owned shall be so disregarded. Transaction Securities so owned or beneficially owned that have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, the pledgee's right so to act with respect to the Transaction Securities and that the pledgee is independent from the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent.

**"Overcollateralization Ratio":** With respect to any Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by *dividing*:

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator; by
- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it (excluding any Deferred Interest on the Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it).

**"Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator":** On any date, the sum of:

- (1) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (other than any Excess CCC+/Caal Collateral Obligations, any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, any Deep Discount Obligations, and any Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an "event of default" (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing); *plus*

(2) unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal (excluding any unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal in respect of Non-Performing Collateral Obligations); *plus*

(3) the Aggregate Principal Balance of any Eligible Investments that were purchased with Principal Proceeds and the amount of Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*

(4) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Eligible Investments on deposit in a Securities Lending Account that relate to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an "event of default" (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing; *plus*

(5) with respect Collateral Obligation that are Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, Deep Discount Obligations or Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, the amount determined by using one of the following methods applicable to such type of Collateral Obligation; provided that if a Collateral Obligation falls within more than one of such types, the Issuer will be required to use the method that results in the smallest amount:

(A) with respect to any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, an amount equal to the product of (i) the lower of (1) 70% and (2) the weighted average of the Adjusted Market Value of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, multiplied by (ii) the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations;

(B) with respect to any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, the aggregate of the Applicable Collateral Obligation Amounts for all included Non-Performing Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations that have been held by the Issuer for more than three years, which shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this clause (B)); and

(C) with respect to any Deep Discount Obligations, the Aggregate Purchase Price Amount for all Deep Discount Obligations.

As used in this definition, "***Applicable Collateral Obligation Amount***" for any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation means:

(a) the lesser of:

(x) the Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation; and

(y) the Applicable Percentage for the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation;

multiplied by:

(b) if the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation is:

(1) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (2) through (4) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;

(2) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;

(3) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and

(4) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

As used in the calculation of Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation, the Principal Balance of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall be, if the Defaulted Collateral Obligation is:

(i) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (ii) through (iv) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;

(ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;

(iii) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and

(iv) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

**"Overcollateralization Test":** A test that is satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes if, as of any Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the required level for the specified Class indicated in the table below:

<u>Test</u>	<u>Required Level</u>
Class A/B Overcollateralization Test	114.8%
Class C Overcollateralization Test	111.3%
Class D Overcollateralization Test	107.4%
Class E Overcollateralization Test	103.8%

**"Participating Institution":** An institution that creates a participation interest and that has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" (and if so rated by Moody's such rating is not on watch for possible downgrade) and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A".

**"Participation":** A Loan acquired as a participation interest created by a Participating Institution.

**"Paying Agent":** Any Person authorized by the Issuer to pay the principal of or interest on any Notes on behalf of the Issuer as specified in Section 7.2.

**"Payment Account":** The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(h).

**"Payment Date":** The first day of February, May, August and November in each year, commencing in February 2007 or, if any such day is not a Business Day, the next following Business Day, any other date on which the Notes are redeemed or paid before their Stated Maturity, and at the Stated Maturity for the Notes.

**"Permitted Offer"**: An Offer pursuant to which the offeror offers to acquire a debt obligation (including a Collateral Obligation) in exchange solely for cash in an amount equal to or greater than the full face amount of the debt obligation plus any accrued and unpaid interest and as to which the Servicer has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the offeror has sufficient access to financing to consummate the Offer.

**"Person"**: An individual, corporation (including a business trust), partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust (including any beneficiary thereof), unincorporated association or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

**"PIK Cash-Pay Interest"**: As to any PIK Security, the portion of interest required to be paid in cash (and not permitted to be added to the balance of such PIK Security or otherwise deferred and accrued) thereon pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments.

**"PIK Security"**: Any loan or debt obligation on which any portion of the interest accrued for a specified period of time or until the maturity thereof is, or at the option of the obligor may be, added to the principal balance of such loan or debt obligation or otherwise deferred rather than being paid in cash, provided that such loan or debt obligation shall not be a PIK Security if the portion, if any, of such interest required pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments to be paid in Cash would result in the outstanding principal amount of such loan or debt obligation having an effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest at least equal to (i) if such loan or debt obligation is a fixed rate loan or debt obligation, 4% per annum, or (ii) if such loan or debt obligation is a floating rate loan or debt obligation, LIBOR.

**"Placed Notes"**: The Notes placed by the Placement Agents pursuant to the Placement Agency Agreement.

**"Placed Shares"**: The Holding Preference Shares placed by the Investors Corp. Placement Agents pursuant to the Investors Corp. Placement Agency Agreement.

**"Placement Agency Agreement"**: A placement agency agreement dated July 21, 2006 among the Co-Issuers and the Placement Agents, relating to the placement of the Placed Notes, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Placement Agents"**: The IXIS Placement Agents and UBS Placement Agents.

**"Plan Asset Regulation"**: The regulation issued by the United States Department of Labor and found at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101.

**"Pledged Obligations"**: As of any date of determination, the Collateral Obligations, the Workout Assets, the Eligible Investments, and any other securities or obligations that have been Granted to the Trustee that form part of the Collateral.

**"Portfolio Improvement Exchange"**: The disposition, during the Replacement Period, of a Collateral Obligation and corresponding acquisition of one or more Collateral Obligations which in the aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Test, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied (or bring the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations closer to compliance with any such test or limitation) or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith would be improved and (ii) improving, on a net basis, the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test and

Concentration Limitations and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased.

**"Preference Share Distribution Account":** A segregated bank account established by the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deposit all amounts received from the Issuer and payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares under the Priority of Payments.

**"Preference Share Documents":** The Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the resolutions of the Issuer's board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

**"Preference Share Internal Rate of Return":** With respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the "XIRR" function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for the following cash flows, assuming all Preference Shares are purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount:

(i) each distribution of Interest Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date and

(ii) each distribution of Principal Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date.

**"Preference Shares":** The Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares.

**"Preference Shares Notional Amount":** As of the Closing Date, \$81,000,000, and thereafter as increased each time additional Preference Shares are issued in accordance with the Preference Share Documents.

**"Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement":** The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, by and between the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

**"Preference Shares Paying Agent":** U.S. Bank National Association, in its capacity as Preference Shares Paying Agent under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter "Preference Shares Paying Agent" shall mean such successor Person.

**"Principal Balance":** With respect to:

(i) any Pledged Obligation other than those specifically covered in this definition, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;

(ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;

- (iii) any Pledged Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest, zero, except as otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture;
- (iv) any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, except as otherwise provided, zero;
- (v) any Collateral Obligation that has been loaned, its Principal Balance shall be reduced by the excess of the amount of collateral required over the actual Market Value of the collateral;
- (vi) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance shall include any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount), except as otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture;
- (vii) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance shall not include any principal amount of the PIK Security representing previously deferred or capitalized interest; and
- (viii) any obligation or security that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, zero.

**"Principal Proceeds":** With respect to any Due Period, all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are not Interest Proceeds.

Principal Proceeds shall include any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account into the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.2.

Principal Proceeds do not include the Excluded Property or earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

At any time when an "event of default" under a Securities Lending Agreement has occurred and is continuing, any payments received by the Issuer from the related Securities Lending Collateral shall be Principal Proceeds.

**"Priority Class":** With respect to any specified Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that ranks senior to that Class, as indicated in Section 13.1.

**"Priority of Payments":** The meaning specified in Section 11.1(a).

**"Proceeding":** Any suit in equity, action at law, or other judicial or administrative proceeding.

**"Proposed Portfolio":** As of any Measurement Date, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations and Principal Proceeds held as Cash on deposit in the Collection Account and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account resulting from the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or a proposed purchase of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**"Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance":** For any Collateral Obligation other than Deep Discount Obligations, its Principal Balance; and for any Deep Discount Obligation its Purchase Price; provided, however, that if any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations exist, the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance for the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations shall be the lower of (i)

the weighted average Market Value of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances and (ii) the product of (a) 70% and (b) their respective Principal Balance.

**"Purchase Price":** With respect to the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (other than any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation), the net purchase price paid by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation. The net purchase price is determined by subtracting from the purchase price the amount of any Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal and any syndication and other upfront fees paid to the Issuer and by adding the amount of any related transaction costs (including assignment fees) paid by the Issuer to the seller of the Collateral Obligation or its agent.

**"Purchase Price Amount":** With respect to any Collateral Obligation on any date of determination, the product of (i) the Purchase Price (stated as a percentage) thereof and (ii) the Principal Balance thereof on such date.

**"QIB/QP":** Any Person that, at the time of its acquisition of Notes is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser.

**"Qualified Equity Security":** Any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that is stock or evidence of an interest in or a right to buy stock, or any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation but whose acquisition otherwise is a transaction in stocks or securities within the meaning of Section 864(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Code and the regulations under the Code. Qualified Equity Securities do not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation and that will cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in or having income from a United States trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes by virtue of its ownership or disposition of the obligation (without regard to the Issuer's other activities).

**"Qualified Institutional Buyer":** The meaning specified in Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

**"Qualified Purchaser":** The meaning specified in Section 2(a)(51) of the Investment Company Act and Rule 2a51-2 under the Investment Company Act (including entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers).

**"Ramp-Up Completion Date":** The earlier of:

- (i) the Business Day after the 120<sup>th</sup> day after the Closing Date, and
- (ii) the first date on which the following conditions are satisfied:

(x) (A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least \$880,700,000 or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer with proceeds from the sale of the Notes (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be) equals at least \$880,700,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments,

principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date); and

(y) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$880,700,000.

**"Ramp-Up Period"**: The period from and including the Closing Date to and including the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

**"Rating Agency"**: Each of Moody's and S&P or, with respect to Pledged Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or S&P ceases to provide rating services with respect to high yield debt securities, any other nationally recognized statistical rating organization selected by the Issuer and reasonably satisfactory to a Majority of each Class of Notes. If at any time Moody's ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of Moody's in this Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used. If at any time S&P ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of S&P in this Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and S&P published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used.

**"Rating Condition"**: With respect to any Rating Agency and any action taken or to be taken under this Indenture, a condition that is satisfied when the Rating Agency has confirmed to the Servicer (as agent for the Issuer) in writing that no withdrawal, reduction, suspension, or other adverse action with respect to any then current rating by it (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes will occur as a result of the action. The Rating Condition with respect to any Rating Agency shall be satisfied for all purposes of this Indenture at any time when no Outstanding Notes are rated by it.

**"Rating Confirmation"**: Confirmation in writing from each Rating Agency that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes.

**"Rating Confirmation Failure"**: A failure by the Issuer or the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) to obtain confirmation in writing from S&P and written confirmation from Moody's that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn its Initial Rating of each Class of Notes and that it has not placed any Class of Notes on credit watch with negative implications by the Business Day after the 29th day after the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

**"Ratings Matrix"**: The "row/column combination" of the table below selected by the Servicer on the Closing Date to apply initially for purposes of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test. Thereafter, on notice to the Trustee, the Servicer may select a different row of the Ratings Matrix to apply, or may interpolate between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable, on a straight-line basis and round the results to two decimal points.

Minimum Weighted Average Spread	Minimum Diversity Score						
	50	55	60	65	70	75	80
2.25%	2120	2150	2180	2210	2240	2270	2300



2.35%	2180	2210	2240	2270	2300	2330	2360
2.45%	2240	2270	2300	2330	2360	2390	2420
2.55%	2300	2330	2360	2390	2420	2450	2480
2.65%	2360	2390	2420	2450	2480	2510	2540
2.75%	2420	2450	2480	2510	2540	2570	2600
2.85%	2480	2510	2540	2570	2600	2630	2660
2.95%	2540	2570	2600	2630	2660	2690	2720
3.05%	2600	2630	2660	2690	2720	2750	2780
Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor							

"**Recovery Rate Modifier**": As of any Measurement Date, the lesser of 60 and the product of:

(i) (a) the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate minus the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test (but not less than zero) multiplied by (b) 100; and

(ii) 40.

"**Record Date**": As to any Payment Date, the 15<sup>th</sup> day (whether or not a Business Day) before the Payment Date.

"**Redemption Date**": Any Payment Date specified for an Optional Redemption of Notes pursuant to Section 9.2.

"**Redemption Price**": With respect to any Note and any Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), an amount equal to:

(i) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of the Note being redeemed, plus

(ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest), plus

(iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note, plus

(iv) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

With respect to any Preference Share and any Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b), "Redemption Price" means (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the *pro rata* portion for such Preference Share of the entire remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications pursuant to the Priority of Payments or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case, as specified in Section 9.2(b).

"**Reference Obligation**": An obligation that would otherwise satisfy the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and on which a Synthetic Security is based.

"**Reference Obligor**": The obligor of a Reference Obligation.

**"Registered"**: With respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment, means that it is issued after July 18, 1984 and is in registered form within the meaning of Section 881(c)(2)(B)(i) of the Code and the United States Department of the Treasury ("Treasury") regulations promulgated thereunder.

**"Registered Office"**: The registered office of the Issuer, which shall be located outside of the United States.

**"Regulation D"**: Regulation D under the Securities Act.

**"Regulation S"**: Regulation S under the Securities Act.

**"Regulation S Global Note"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(b).

**"Relevant Obligation"**: For a Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security, and otherwise the Collateral Obligation.

**"Replacement Hedge"**: A replacement hedge agreement that qualifies to be a Hedge Agreement under this Indenture.

**"Replacement Period"**: The period from the Closing Date through and including the first to occur of:

(i) the Payment Date after the date that the Servicer notifies the Trustee, each Rating Agency, and the Administrator, in the sole discretion of the Servicer, that, in light of the composition of the Collateral, general market conditions, and other factors, the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations within the foreseeable future would either be impractical or not beneficial,

(ii) the Payment Date in August, 2013 or, in the case of an Extension, the Extended Replacement Period End Date,

(iii) the Payment Date on which all Notes are to be optionally redeemed or an earlier date after notice of an Optional Redemption chosen by the Servicer to facilitate the liquidation of the Collateral for the Optional Redemption, and

(iv) the date on which the Replacement Period terminates or is terminated as a result of an Event of Default (subject to Section 5.2(c)).

**"Repository"**: The internet-based password protected electronic repository of transaction documents relating to privately offered and sold collateralized debt obligation securities located at "www.cdolibrary.com" operated by The Bond Market Association.

**"Required Rating"**: The meaning specified in Section 15.2(b).

**"Retention Overcollateralization Ratio"**: As of any Measurement Date, the ratio obtained by dividing:

(i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator *by*

(ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes, excluding any Deferred Interest on any Class of Notes.

**"Retention Overcollateralization Test"**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date during the Replacement Period on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Retention Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 104.8%.

**"Revolving Loan"**: A Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation (in each case excluding any Delayed Drawdown Loan) that requires the Issuer to make future advances to (or for the account of) the borrower under its Underlying Instruments (including any letter of credit for which the Issuer is required to reimburse the issuing bank for under it). A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Revolving Loan for so long as its Commitment Amount is greater than zero.

**"Revolving Reserve Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(b).

**"Rule 3a-7"**: Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act.

**"Rule 144A"**: Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

**"Rule 144A Global Note"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(c).

**"Rule 144A Information"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.15.

**"S&P"**: Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc.

**"S&P CDO Monitor"**: A dynamic, analytical computer model developed by S&P (and as may be modified by S&P from time to time) and provided to the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator to be used to calculate the default frequency in terms of the amount of debt assumed to default as a percentage of the original principal amount of the Collateral Obligations consistent with a specified benchmark rating level based on certain assumptions and S&P's proprietary corporate default studies. For the purpose (and only for the purpose) of applying the S&P CDO Monitor to a portfolio of obligations, for each obligation in the portfolio, the rating of the obligation shall be its S&P Rating.

**"S&P CDO Monitor Test"**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive. The S&P CDO Monitor Test shall be considered to be improved if each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is at least equal to the corresponding Note Class Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio. The S&P CDO Monitor Test is not required to be satisfied or improved upon the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation and the application of the related Sale Proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations as provided in Section 12.1(a). For purposes of the S&P CDO Monitor Test,

- (i) the S&P Rating of any S&P Unrated DIP Loan shall be "CCC-" and
- (ii) the S&P Industry Classification for a Synthetic Security shall be that of the related Reference Obligation and not the Synthetic Security.

**"S&P Industry Classification"**: The S&P Industry Classifications in Schedule 3 as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by S&P.

**"S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate"**: As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the number obtained by

(i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate,

(ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations, and

(iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

**"S&P Priority Category"**: Each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" as an "S&P Priority Category."

**"S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate"**: For any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" opposite the S&P Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**"S&P Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"S&P Unrated DIP Loan"**: A DIP Loan acquired by the Issuer that does not have a rating assigned by S&P and for which the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P (as specified in the definition of "DIP Loan").

**"Sale"**: The meaning specified in Section 5.17.

**"Sale Proceeds"**: All proceeds received (including any proceeds received with respect to any associated interest rate swap or security providing fixed annuity payments ) with respect to Collateral Obligations or other Pledged Obligations as a result of their sales or other dispositions less any reasonable expenses expended by the Servicer or the Trustee in connection with the sales or other dispositions, which shall be paid from such proceeds notwithstanding their characterization otherwise as Administrative Expenses.

**"Schedule of Collateral Obligations"**: The Collateral Obligations listed on Schedule 1, which schedule shall include with respect to each listed Collateral Obligation:

- (A) the name of the obligor and a unique Loan or other instrument identifier;
- (B) the purchase price;
- (C) the Principal Balance;
- (D) the classification (including whether the Collateral Obligation is a Loan, a High-Yield Bond, a Synthetic Security, a Participation, a Structured Finance Obligation, a Revolving Loan or a Delayed Drawdown Loan);
- (E) the funded amount (stated as a percentage) in respect of a Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or a Delayed Drawdown Loan;
- (F) the coupon or spread (as applicable);
- (G) the Stated Maturity;
- (H) the Moody's Rating;
- (I) the S&P Rating; and

(J) the CUSIP and any ISIN, if applicable,

as the schedule may be amended from time to time to reflect the release of Collateral Obligations pursuant to Article 10 and the inclusion of Collateral Obligations as provided in Section 12.2.

**"Scheduled Holding Preference Shares Redemption Date"**: July 27, 2018.

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**"Second Lien Loan"**: A Loan that (i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinated in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan other than a Senior Secured Loan with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such Loan and (ii) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest in or lien on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan, which specified collateral does not consist solely of common stock or shares issued by the obligor or any of its Affiliates or intangible assets.

**"Secondary Risk Counterparty"**: Any obligor Domiciled other than in the United States, any Participating Institution, any Synthetic Security Counterparty, and any Securities Lending Counterparty.

**"Secondary Risk Table"**: The table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty		Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
Moody's	S&P		
Aaa	AAA	20.0%	20.0%
Aa1	AA+	10.0%	10.0%
Aa2	AA	10.0%	10.0%
Aa3	AA-	10.0%	10.0%
A1	A+	5.0%	10.0%
A2 or below	A or below	0.0%	0.0%

If any Secondary Risk Counterparty's long-term senior unsecured debt rating or short-term rating is on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P, then for the purposes of the table above, its rating by the Rating Agency putting its rating on credit watch shall be one rating notch lower for that Rating Agency.

**"Section 3(c)(7)"**: Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act.

**"Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice"**: A notice from the Issuer to the Noteholders (to be delivered in accordance with Sections 10.6(a) and (b)) substantially in the form of Exhibit H-1.

**"Secured High-Yield Bond"**: A High-Yield Bond that is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**"Secured Loan"**: A Loan that is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**"Secured Obligations"**: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Secured Parties"**: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Securities"**: The Notes and the Preference Shares.

**"Securities Act"**: The United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

**"Securities Intermediary"**: Any clearing corporation or any Person, including a bank or broker, that in the ordinary course of its business maintains securities accounts for others and is acting in that capacity.

**"Securities Lending Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(f).

**"Securities Lending Agreements"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**"Securities Lending Collateral"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**"Securities Lending Counterparty"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**"Security Entitlement"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(17) of the UCC.

**"Selected Collateral Quality Tests"**: The Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Life Test (after taking into consideration any applicable Maturity Extension), the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the Diversity Test.

**"Senior Notes"**: The Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes authorized by, and authenticated and delivered under, this Indenture or any supplemental indenture.

**"Senior Secured High-Yield Bond"**: A Secured High-Yield Bond that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a first priority security interest in collateral that in the opinion of the Servicer has value at least equal to the amount of the High-Yield Bond.

**"Senior Secured Loan"**: A Secured Loan that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a first priority security interest in collateral that in the opinion of the Servicer has value at least equal to the amount of the Loan.

**"Senior Servicing Fee"**: A fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.30% per annum of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Senior Servicing Fee shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

**"Senior Unsecured High-Yield Bond"**: A High-Yield Bond that is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**"Senior Unsecured Loan"**: A Loan that is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**"Servicer"**: Highland Capital Management, L.P., and any successor Servicer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement.

**"Servicing Agreement"**: The Servicing Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Servicer, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Servicing Fee Portion"**: 100% minus (a) for any Payment Date from the Closing Date until (and including) the Payment Date on or immediately preceeding the second anniversary of the Closing Date, the Class II Preference Share Percentage for such Payment Date and (b) for any other Payment Date, a percentage (between 0% and 100%) selected by the Servicer in its sole discretion and reported to the Trustee in writing on or before the related Determination Date.

**"Servicing Fees"**: Collectively, the Senior Servicing Fee, the Subordinated Servicing Fee and the Supplemental Servicing Fee.

**"Share Trustee"**: Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited.

**"Share Registrar"**: Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited or any successor thereto.

**"Special Redemption"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**"Special Redemption Amount"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**"Special Redemption Date"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**"Spread Excess"**: As of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose:

- (i) numerator is the product of:
  - (A) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date over the Minimum Weighted Average Spread specified in the applicable row of the Ratings Matrix, and
  - (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date, and
- (ii) denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Spread Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Fixed Rate Excess were equal to zero.

**"Stated Maturity"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation, the maturity date specified in it or the applicable Underlying Instrument (or, if earlier, the first date on which any Person may be required by the Issuer to repurchase the entire principal amount of the Collateral Obligation at or above par) and with respect to the Notes of any Class, July 27, 2018 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date. Unless otherwise specified, "Stated Maturity" means the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

**"Structured Finance Obligation"**: Any obligation (other than the Notes or any other security or obligation issued by the Issuer):

(i) secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool of receivables or other assets of U.S. obligors, or obligors organized or incorporated in Moody's Group I Countries, Moody's Group II Countries, Moody's Group III Countries or Tax Advantaged Jurisdictions, including portfolio credit default swaps and collateralized debt obligations, but excludes:

- (A) residential mortgage-backed securities;
- (B) collateralized debt obligations backed by Emerging Market Securities;
- (C) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by asset-backed securities;
- (D) market value collateralized debt obligations;
- (E) securities backed by "future flow" receivables;
- (F) securities backed by "trust preferred securities";
- (G) net interest margin securitizations;
- (H) collateralized debt obligations backed primarily by other collateralized debt obligations;
- (I) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by one or more credit default swaps (i.e. "synthetic CDOs"); and
- (J) collateralized debt obligations a significant portion of which are backed by bonds;
- (ii) that has an S&P Rating and an S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate;
- (iii) that has a rating and a Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate assigned by Moody's; and
- (iv) whose ownership or disposition (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) by the Issuer will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

In connection with the purchase of a Structured Finance Obligation, the Servicer shall obtain from Moody's the applicable Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate.

For purposes of the Diversity Test, multiple Structured Finance Obligations from CDOs serviced by the same Servicer or multiple Structured Finance Obligations issued by the same master trust will be considered to be obligations of one issuer.

**"Subordinated High-Yield Bond":** A Secured High-Yield Bond secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.



**"Subordinated Lien Loan":** A Secured Loan (other than a Second Lien Loan) secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**"Subordinated Servicing Fee":** An amount equal to the sum of (i) a fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.25% per annum of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments, (ii) on any Payment Date that any part of the Senior Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period plus 3.00% per annum and (iii) on any Payment Date that any part of the Subordinated Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period plus 3.00% per annum. The portion of the Subordinated Servicing Fee or Senior Servicing Fee, as applicable, in clauses (i) through (iii) above, as applicable, shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

**"Successor Entity":** The meaning specified in Section 7.10.

**"Super Majority":** With respect to any Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**"Supplemental Servicing Fee":** On each Payment Date, the fee payable to the Servicer in an amount equal to: (i) 20% of the remaining Interest Proceeds, if any, available after making the distributions on such Payment Date pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(i)(22) of the Priority of Payments and (ii) 20% of the remaining Principal Proceeds, if any, available for payment in respect of the Supplemental Servicing Fee pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(11)(A) of the Priority of Payments and, if applicable, Section 11.1(a)(ii)(14) of the Priority of Payments.

**"Synthetic Security":** Any swap transaction, structured bond, credit linked note or other derivative financial instrument providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a debt instrument (but excluding any such instrument relating directly to a basket or portfolio of debt instruments) or an index or indices (such as the "SAMI" index published by Credit Suisse First Boston) in connection with a basket or portfolio of debt instruments or other similar instruments entered into by the Issuer with a Synthetic Security Counterparty that has in the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment, equivalent expected loss characteristics (those characteristics, "*credit risk*") to those of the related Reference Obligations (taking account of those considerations as they relate to the Synthetic Security Counterparty), if (i) it is either a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied, and (ii) the Reference Obligations thereof have a Market Value equal to at least 85% of the Principal Balance of the Reference Obligation at the time the Synthetic Security is entered into.

The maturity, interest rate, and other non-credit characteristics of a Synthetic Security may be different from the Reference Obligations to which the credit risk of the Synthetic Security relates.

No Synthetic Security shall require the Issuer to make any payment to the Synthetic Security Counterparty after its initial purchase other than any payments represented by the release of any cash collateral posted by the Issuer from the Collection Account to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of the posted cash collateral. Collateral may be posted only to a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account. No Synthetic Security shall result in the Issuer being a "buyer" of credit protection.

The term Synthetic Security shall not include any Structured Finance Obligation or any Participation, but the Reference Obligation of a Synthetic Security may be a Structured Finance Obligation.

Each Synthetic Security Agreement shall contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those contained in this Indenture.

The ownership or disposition of any Synthetic Security (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) must not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

Unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" under any proposed Synthetic Security must not provide that its transfer to the Issuer is subject to obtaining any consents and must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation and satisfy the Concentration Limitations under this Indenture, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event and if the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security is a Senior Secured Loan then the "deliverable obligation" under the Synthetic Security must also be a Senior Secured Loan.

Synthetic Securities that are credit default swaps, credit linked notes, or other similar instruments may not provide for "restructuring" as a "credit event."

For purposes of the Coverage Tests and the Retention Overcollateralization Test, unless the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied in respect of any proposed alternative treatment, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligation.

With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, for purposes of: (i) calculating compliance with the Diversity Test, the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test, and the Concentration Limitations (other than limits relating to payment characteristics and except for clauses 17 and 17(a) of the definition of "Concentration Limitations"), and all related definitions, and (ii) any other provision or definition of this Indenture involving a

determination with respect to a Reference Obligation, the characteristics of such Reference Obligations shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each such Reference Obligation in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation. In addition, each Reference Obligation under such Synthetic Security shall be assigned a Moody's Rating Factor equal to the sum of the Moody's Rating Factor of (i) the related Reference Obligor, (ii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty of such Synthetic Security and (iii) the Synthetic Security Collateral of such Synthetic Security. In addition, the Moody's Priority Category Rate in respect of a Synthetic Security referencing multiple Reference Obligations pursuant to this paragraph shall be the Moody's Priority Category Rate as assigned by Moody's to each Reference Obligation underlying such Synthetic Security. For the avoidance of doubt, Reference Obligations upon which a Synthetic Security is based as described in this paragraph must meet the definition of "Collateral Obligation" to the extent provided in this definition.

If the Rating Condition must be satisfied to execute the purchase of any Synthetic Security, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall give each applicable Rating Agency not less than 5 days' prior notice of the purchase of or entry into any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Agreement":** The documentation governing any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Collateral":** With respect to any Synthetic Security, amounts posted to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account by the Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its obligations under the Synthetic Security, including (i) all Eligible Investments or (ii) Collateral Obligations that satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's, in each case that mature no later than the Stated Maturity, in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account that are purchased with Synthetic Security Collateral.

**"Synthetic Security Collateral Account":** The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(e).

**"Synthetic Security Counterparty":** An entity required to make payments on a Synthetic Security to the extent that a Reference Obligor makes payments on a related Reference Obligation.

**"Synthetic Security Counterparty Account":** The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.5.

**"Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction":** One of the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the Netherlands Antilles or the tax advantaged jurisdiction of the Channel Islands, or such other jurisdiction that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto.

**"Tax Event":** An event that occurs if either:

(i) (A) one or more Collateral Obligations that were not subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them have become subject to withholding tax ("**New Withholding Tax Obligations**") or the rate of withholding has increased on one or more Collateral Obligations that were subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them ("**Increased Rate Withholding Tax Obligations**") and (B) in any Due Period, the aggregate of the payments subject to withholding tax on New Withholding Tax Obligations and the increase in payments subject to withholding tax on Increased Rate Withholding Tax Obligations, in each case to the extent not "grossed-up" (on an after-tax basis) by the related obligor, represent 5% or more of Interest Proceeds for the Due Period;

(ii) taxes, fees, assessments, or other similar charges are imposed on the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in an aggregate amount in any twelve-month period in excess of U.S.\$2,000,000, other than any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax with respect to any payment owing in respect of any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation or Collateral Obligation; or

(iii) if the Issuer is at the time treated as a pass-through entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes, that investors in the Preference Shares who are non-U.S. persons not otherwise subject to U.S. net income tax are or have become subject to U.S. net income taxation in respect of income of the Issuer in an amount in excess of 10.0% of the net income of the Issuer in any twelve-month period.

**"Transaction Documents"**: Collectively, this Indenture, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

**"Transaction Reports"**: The meaning specified in Section 14.4.

**"Transaction Securities"**: Collectively, the Securities and the Holding Preference Shares.

**"Transfer Agent"**: The Person or Persons, which may be the Issuer, authorized by the Issuer to exchange or register the transfer of Notes.

**"Transferee Certificate"**: A certificate substantially in the form of, with respect to the Senior Notes, Exhibit B-1 or, with respect to the Class E Notes, Exhibit B-4 attached hereto, duly completed as appropriate.

**"Treasury Regulations"**: The regulations, including proposed or temporary regulations, promulgated under the Code. References herein to specific provisions of proposed or temporary regulations shall include analogous provisions of final Treasury Regulations or other successor Treasury Regulations.

**"Trust Officer"**: When used with respect to the Trustee, any officer in the Corporate Trust Office (or any successor group of the Trustee) including any director, vice president, assistant vice president, associate, or any other officer of the Trustee customarily performing functions similar to those performed by such officers in the Corporate Trust Office, or to whom any corporate trust matter is referred at the Corporate Trust Office because of his knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject and having direct responsibility for the administration of this Indenture.

**"Trustee"**: As defined in the first sentence of this Indenture.

**"UBS Placement Agents"**: UBS Securities LLC and UBS Limited, each, a subsidiary of UBS AG and each acting through UBS AG's global investment banking and securities business.

**"UCC"**: The Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the State of New York, and as amended from time to time.

**"Uncertificated Security"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(18) of the UCC.

**"Underlying Instrument"**: The loan agreement, indenture, credit agreement, or other agreement pursuant to which a Pledged Obligation has been issued or created and each other agreement that governs the terms of or secures the obligations represented by the Pledged Obligation or of which the holders of the Pledged Obligation are the beneficiaries.

**"Unregistered Securities"**: The meaning specified in Section 5.17(c).

**"Unscheduled Principal Payments"**: Any principal payments received with respect to a Collateral Obligation as a result of optional redemptions, exchange offers, tender offers, other payments or prepayments made at the option of the issuer thereof or that are otherwise not scheduled to be made thereunder.

**"U.S. Person"**: A beneficial owner of a Security that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a citizen or individual resident of the United States of America, an entity treated for United States federal income tax purposes as a corporation or a partnership created or organized in or under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof or the District of Columbia, an estate the income of which is includable in gross income for U.S. federal income tax purposes regardless of its source, or a trust if, in general, a court within the United States of America is able to exercise primary supervision over its administration and one or more U.S. Persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of such trust, and certain eligible trusts that have elected to be treated as U.S. Persons.

**"Valuation Report"**: The meaning specified in Section 10.6(b).

**"Warehouse Agreements"**: Collectively, the IXIS Warehouse Agreement, the Highland Warehouse Agreement and the Grand Central Warehouse Agreement.

**"Warehoused Loans"**: Loans acquired by the Issuer before the Closing Date pursuant to the Warehouse Agreements.

**"Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon"**: As of any Measurement Date, the rate obtained by

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Fixed Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum rate at which it pays interest (other than, with respect to Collateral Obligations that are not PIK Securities, any interest that is not required to be paid in Cash and may be deferred), using only the effective after-tax interest rate determined by the Servicer on any Fixed Rate Obligation after taking into account any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction and any gross-up paid by the obligor),

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i),

(iii) dividing the sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations that are Fixed Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date, and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, adding to the sum the amount of any Spread Excess as of the Measurement Date, but only to the extent required to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test.

**"Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test"**: A test that is satisfied if, as of any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 7.5%.

**"Weighted Average Life"**: As of any Measurement Date, the number obtained by

(i) summing the products obtained by multiplying

- (A) the Average Life at that time of each Collateral Obligation by
- (B) the Principal Balance at that time of the Collateral Obligation and
- (ii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance at that time of all Collateral Obligations.

**"Weighted Average Life Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the greater of (a) the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and August 1, 2015 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date and (b) 3.0 years.

**"Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor":** The summation of the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation (excluding Eligible Investments) by its respective Moody's Rating Factor, dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) and rounding the result up to the nearest whole number.

**"Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 44.30%.

**"Weighted Average Rating Factor Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of such Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor.

**"Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 52.42%.

**"Weighted Average Spread":** As of any Measurement Date, a rate obtained by:

- (i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Floating Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum contract spread at which it pays interest (which (x) for PIK Securities for which interest has been deferred or capitalized, will be deemed to be zero and (y) for Collateral Obligations that would be PIK Securities but for the proviso in the definition thereof, will be deemed to be equal to the effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest applicable thereto), determined with respect to any Floating Rate Obligation that does not bear interest based on a London interbank offered rate, by expressing the current interest rate on the Floating Rate Obligation as a spread above a three month London interbank offered rate calculated in a manner consistent with the calculation of LIBOR,

- (ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i),

- (iii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date, and

- (iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to pass the Weighted Average Spread Test, adding to that sum the amount of Fixed Rate Excess as of the Measurement Date.

For purposes of calculating the Weighted Average Spread, the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall not include any of its unfunded amount.

**"Weighted Average Spread Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread.

**"Workout Assets":** A Loan, High-Yield Bond, or Qualified Equity Security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation that the Issuer does not advance any funds to purchase that does not qualify as a Collateral Obligation.

**"Written-Down Obligation":** As of any date of determination, any Structured Finance Obligation as to which the Issuer or the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, has been notified by the issuer of the Structured Finance Obligation that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Structured Finance Obligation and all other Structured Finance Obligations secured by the same pool of collateral that rank *pari passu* with or senior in priority of payment to the Structured Finance Obligation exceeds the aggregate principal balance (including reserved interest or other amounts available for overcollateralization) of all collateral securing the Structured Finance Obligation and such other *pari passu* and senior Structured Finance Obligations (excluding defaulted collateral).

**"Zero-Coupon Security":** A security that, at the time of determination, does not make periodic payments of interest. A Zero-Coupon Security shall not include a security that is a PIK Security.

#### Section 1.2. ***Assumptions as to Pledged Obligations; Construction Conventions.***

This Section 1.2 shall be applied in connection with all calculations required to be made pursuant to this Indenture:

- with respect to the scheduled payment of principal or interest on any Pledged Obligation, or any payments on any other assets included in the Collateral,
- with respect to the sale of and acquisition of Collateral Obligations,
- with respect to the income that can be earned on the scheduled payment of principal or interest on the Pledged Obligations and on any other amounts that may be received for deposit in the Collection Account, and
- with respect to the treatment of Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement.

The provisions of this Section 1.2 shall be applicable to any determination or calculation that is covered by this Section 1.2, whether or not reference is specifically made to Section 1.2, unless some other method of calculation or determination is expressly specified in the particular provision.

(a) All calculations with respect to the scheduled payment of principal or interest on the Pledged Obligations shall be made on the basis of information as to the terms of each Pledged Obligation and on reports of payments received on the Pledged Obligation that are furnished by or on behalf of the issuer of the Pledged Obligation and, to the extent they are not manifestly in error, the information or report may be conclusively relied on in making the calculations.

(b) For each Due Period and as of any Measurement Date, the scheduled payment of principal or interest on any Pledged Obligation shall be the sum of

(i) the total amount of payments and collections reasonably expected to be received during the Due Period in respect of the Pledged Obligation that, if paid as scheduled, will be available for payment on the Notes and of certain expenses of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer in the Collection Account at the end of the Due Period; and

(ii) any such amounts received in prior Due Periods that were not disbursed on a previous Payment Date.

Except as provided in paragraph (h) below, a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation shall be assumed to have a scheduled payment of principal and interest of zero.

The total amount of payments and collections reasonably expected to be received includes the proceeds of the sale of the Pledged Obligation received and, in the case of sales which have not yet settled, to be received during the Due Period and not used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty, Securities Lending Counterparty, or Hedge Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security, Securities Lending Agreement, or Hedge Agreement) or Eligible Investments or retained in the Collection Account for subsequent application thereof to purchase additional Collateral Obligations pursuant to Section 12.2.

(c) For purposes of the applicable determinations required by Article 12 and the definition of "Interest Coverage Ratio," the expected interest on Collateral Obligations shall be calculated using their then current interest rates.

(d) With respect to any Collateral Obligation, the date on which it "matures" (or its "maturity" date) shall be the earlier of

(i) the stated maturity of the obligation or

(ii) if the Issuer has the right to require the issuer or obligor of the Collateral Obligation to purchase, redeem, or retire the Collateral Obligation at a price of at least par on any one or more dates before its Stated Maturity (a "put right") and the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that it will cause the Issuer to direct the Trustee to exercise the put right on a date, the maturity date shall be the date specified in the certification.

(e) For purposes of calculating compliance with the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), the Coverage Tests, and the Retention Overcollateralization Test and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the Reference Obligation. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limits other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a



Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligations.

(f) Any Collateral Obligation loaned to a Securities Lending Counterparty shall be included in the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests, and the Retention Overcollateralization Test and the Principal Balance of any Collateral Obligation loaned to a Securities Lending Counterparty shall be included in the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations, in each case unless an "event of default" (under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing.

(g) If a Class of Notes ceases to be Outstanding, then any Coverage Test computed by reference to the Class of Notes (but not to any subordinate Class of Notes then Outstanding) shall cease to be of any force.

(h) For purposes of calculating compliance with the Eligibility Criteria (other than the Weighted Average Life Test), at the direction of the Servicer by notice to the Trustee, during the Replacement Period any Eligible Investment representing Principal Proceeds received upon the maturity, redemption, sale, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation (or, after the Replacement Period, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations) shall be deemed to have the characteristics of the disposed Collateral Obligation until used to purchase an additional Collateral Obligation. The calculations shall be based on the Principal Balance of the disposed Collateral Obligations except in the case of Defaulted Collateral Obligations and Credit Risk Securities, in which case the calculations will be based on the Principal Proceeds received on the disposition or sale of the Defaulted Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation.

(i) The calculation on any Coverage Test on any Determination Date shall be made by giving effect to all payments to be made pursuant to all subclauses of the Priority of Payments as applicable, payable on the Payment Date following such Determination Date. In addition no Principal Proceeds will be used to pay a subordinated Class on a Payment Date if, after giving effect to such payment, any Coverage Test of a more senior Class of Notes is failing on such Payment Date or would fail as a result of such application of the Principal Proceeds on such Payment Date.

### Section 1.3. ***Rules of Interpretation.***

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture or unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

(a) Defined terms include, as appropriate, all genders and the plural as well as the singular.

(b) References to designated articles, sections, subsections, exhibits, and other subdivisions of this Indenture, such as "Section 6.13 (a)," refer to the designated article, section, subsection, exhibit, or other subdivision of this Indenture as a whole and to all subdivisions of the designated article, section, subsection, exhibit, or other subdivision. The words "herein," "hereof," "hereto," "hereunder," and other words of similar import refer to this Indenture as a whole and not to any particular article, section, exhibit, or other subdivision of this Indenture.

(c) Any term that relates to a document or a statute, rule, or regulation includes any amendments, modifications, supplements, or any other changes that may have occurred since the document, statute, rule, or regulation came into being, including changes that occur after the date of this Indenture. References to law are not limited to statutes. Any reference to any Person includes references to its successors and assigns.

(d) Any party may execute any of the requirements under this Indenture either directly or through others, and the right to cause something to be done rather than doing it directly shall be implicit in every requirement under this Indenture. Unless a provision is restricted as to time or limited as to frequency, all provisions under this Indenture are implicitly available and things may happen from time to time.

(e) The term "including" and all its variations mean "including but not limited to." Except when used in conjunction with the word "either," the word "or" is always used inclusively (for example, the phrase "A or B" means "A or B or both," not "either A or B but not both").

(f) A reference to "a thing" or "any of a thing" does not imply the existence or occurrence of the thing referred to even though not followed by "if any," and "any of a thing" is any and all of it. A reference to the plural of anything as to which there could be either one or more than one does not imply the existence of more than one (for instance, the phrase "the obligors on a note" means "the obligor or obligors on a note"). "Until something occurs" does not imply that it must occur, and will not be modified by the word "unless." The word "due" and the word "payable" are each used in the sense that the stated time for payment has passed. The word "accrued" is used in its accounting sense, i.e., an amount paid is no longer accrued. In the calculation of amounts of things, differences and sums may generally result in negative numbers, but when the calculation of the excess of one thing over another results in zero or a negative number, the calculation is disregarded and an "excess" does not exist. Portions of things may be expressed as fractions or percentages interchangeably. The word "shall" is used in its imperative sense, as for instance meaning a party agrees to something or something must occur or exist.

(g) All accounting terms used in an accounting context and not otherwise defined, and accounting terms partly defined in this Indenture, to the extent not completely defined, shall be construed in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. To the extent that the definitions of accounting terms in this Indenture are inconsistent with their meanings under generally accepted accounting principles, the definitions contained in this Indenture shall control.

(h) In the computation of a period of time from a specified date to a later specified date or an open-ended period, the words "from" and "beginning" mean "from and including," the word "after" means "from but excluding," the words "to" and "until" mean "to but excluding," and the word "through" means "to and including." Likewise, in setting deadlines or other periods, "by" means "on or before." The words "preceding," "following," "before," "after," "next," and words of similar import, mean immediately preceding or following. References to a month or a year refer to calendar months and calendar years.

(i) Any reference to the enforceability of any agreement against a party means that it is enforceable against the party in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, and other similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles.

(j) Except when only the registered holder is recognized, such as in Section 2.9., references to Noteholders, holders, and the like refer equally to beneficial owners who have an interest in a Note but are not reflected in the Indenture Register as the owner.

## ARTICLE 2

## THE NOTES

Section 2.1. *Forms Generally.*

The Notes and the Trustee's or Authenticating Agent's certificate of authentication on them (the "***Certificate of Authentication***") shall be in substantially the forms required by this Article, with appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions, and other variations required or permitted by this Indenture, and may have any letters, numbers, or other marks of identification and any legends or endorsements on them that are consistent with this Indenture, as determined by the Authorized Officers of the Issuer executing the Notes as evidenced by their execution of the Notes.

Section 2.2. *Forms of Notes and Certificate of Authentication.*

(a) The Senior Notes, including the Regulation S Global Notes, Rule 144A Global Notes and Certificate of Authentication, shall be in the forms of the applicable portion of Exhibit A-1.

(b) *Regulation S Global Notes.* The Senior Notes of each Class sold to non-U.S. persons in off-shore transactions in reliance on Regulation S shall each be represented by one or more global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit A-1, including legends (the "***Regulation S Global Notes***"). The global notes shall be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for the Senior Notes represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, the Depository for the respective accounts of Euroclear and Clearstream, duly executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided. The aggregate principal amount of the Regulation S Global Notes may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee or the Depository or its nominee, as the case may be, as hereinafter provided. As used above and in subsection (d) below, "U.S. person" and "off-shore transaction" have the meanings assigned to them in Regulation S.

(c) *Rule 144A Global Notes.* The Senior Notes of each Class initially sold to U.S. persons that are Accredited Investors and Qualified Purchasers shall each be issued initially in the form of one permanent global note per Class in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit A-1, including legends (each, a "***Rule 144A Global Note***"), which shall be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for the Senior Notes represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, the Depository, duly executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided. The aggregate principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Notes may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee or the Depository or its nominee, as the case may be, as hereinafter provided.

(d) *Book-Entry Provisions.* This Section 2.2(d) shall apply only to Global Notes deposited with or on behalf of the Depository. The "Operating Procedures of the Euroclear System" of Euroclear and the "Terms and Conditions Governing Use of Participants" of Clearstream, respectively, shall be applicable to the Regulation S Global Notes insofar as interests in the Global Notes are held by the Agent Members of Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be.

Agent Members shall have no rights under this Indenture with respect to any Global Note held on their behalf by the Trustee, as custodian for the Depository and the Depository may be treated by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, and any agent of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee as

the absolute owner of the Senior Note for all purposes whatsoever. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing in this Indenture shall prevent the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, or any agent of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee, from giving effect to any written certification, proxy, or other authorization furnished by the Depository or impair, as between the Depository and its Agent Members, the operation of customary practices governing the exercise of the rights of a Holder of any Senior Note.

(e) The Class E Notes shall be issued in the form of one or more certificated Class E Notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of Exhibit A-2, including legends (each, a "***Certificated Class E Note***"), which shall be registered in the name of the owner thereof.

**Section 2.3. *Authorized Amount; Denominations.***

(a) The aggregate principal amount of Notes that may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture is limited to U.S.\$819,000,000, except for Notes authenticated and delivered upon registration of, transfer of, or in exchange for, or in lieu of, other Notes pursuant to Section 2.6, 2.7, or 8.5.

(b) The Notes shall be divided into the following Classes, having the designations, original principal amounts and other characteristics as follows:

Class	A	B	C	D	E
Original Principal Amount	U.S.\$657,000,000	U.S.\$45,000,000	U.S.\$40,500,000	U.S.\$45,000,000	U.S.\$31,500,000
Interest Rate	LIBOR + 0.27%	LIBOR + 0.45%	LIBOR + 0.72%	LIBOR + 1.65%	LIBOR + 3.75%
Initial Rating (Moody's/S&P)	Aaa/AAA	Aa2/AA	A2/A	Baa2/BBB	Ba2/BB

(c) The Notes will be issuable in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000, and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess of that amount.

(d) The Issuer will also issue 36,000 Class I Preference Shares and 45,000 Class II Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, simultaneously with the issuance of the Notes under this Indenture. At any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the proceeds from such issuance and sale to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or as otherwise permitted under the Preference Share Documents and this Indenture pursuant to Section 6 of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. The Preference Shares are not secured by the lien of this Indenture. Any payments made by the Trustee hereunder with respect to the Preference Shares (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) will be released by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent on each Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment, subject to Cayman Islands law, to Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends or Redemption Price, as applicable.

**Section 2.4. *Extension of Replacement Period and Stated Maturity.***

(a) The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Replacement Period to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date up

to a maximum of four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date in accordance with this Section 2.4 and (ii) the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.4(c) are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period to the Trustee no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Notes or Preference Shares or amendment or supplement to this Indenture or the Preference Share Documents (the "**Maturity Extension**"); provided that the Issuer will not be permitted to effect more than four Maturity Extensions.

(b) In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Securities wishing to sell such Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to Section 2.4(d) (such Securities (or the related Holding Preference Shares, as applicable) as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, "**Extension Sale Securities**"). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, each Holder providing an Extension Sale Notice shall be deemed to agree that no Extension Sale Securities of any Holder shall be purchased unless all Extension Sale Securities of all Holders are purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date and the other Extension Conditions are satisfied as of such date.

(c) The Maturity Extension shall be effective only if the following conditions (the "**Extension Conditions**") are satisfied:

(i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the applicable Extension Effective Date;

(ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions in this Indenture, the Preference Share Documents and the Holding Preference Share Documents immediately after such purchase and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency);

(iii) (a) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to S&P (so long as any Notes are then rated by S&P) and (b) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to Moody's (so long as any Notes are then rated by Moody's);

(iv) the Issuer has not effected more than three prior Extensions; and

(v) such extension is not effected for the primary purpose of decreasing losses or recognizing gains resulting from market value changes.

The Issuer, the Trustee and, by its acceptance of the Notes, each Noteholder agrees that the Placement Agents shall not be responsible for causing the Extension Conditions to be satisfied and shall not be liable to any such Person or Noteholders (whether or not such Holder gave an Extension Sale Notice with respect to its Notes) or to any other Person if the Extension Conditions are not satisfied. Failure of the Extension Conditions to be satisfied shall not constitute a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture.

(d) Extension Procedure.

(i) Not later than three Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Issuer of its election to extend the Replacement Period (the "**Extension Notice**"), the Trustee shall mail the Extension Notice to all Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding), in the form of Exhibit J, and shall request the Rating Confirmation for the Maturity Extension from each Rating Agency, if applicable;

(ii) Any Holder of the Securities may deliver an irrevocable notice (an "**Extension Sale Notice**") to the Issuer and the Trustee within 30 days after the Trustee has mailed the Extension Notice (the "**Extension Sale Notice Period**") of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Securities or, with respect to Investors Corp., in its capacity as a Holder of the Class I Preference Shares, all or a portion of Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be, to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of the Securities that has not delivered such an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be entitled to sell its Securities or Holding Preference Shares, as applicable, to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension; and

(iii) If clause (iii)(b)(i) of the Extension Conditions is not satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date as determined by the Issuer (or its agent), the Trustee shall request the Rating Condition to be satisfied with respect to Moody's.

(e) On the applicable Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or its agent) shall confirm (i) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Extension Sale Securities in compliance with all transfer restrictions in this Indenture, the Preference Share Documents and the Holding Preference Share Documents and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (ii) whether the requirements of clause (c)(iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date and (iii) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

(f) On each Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension shall automatically become effective under the terms of this Indenture; provided that all Extension Conditions set forth in clauses (a) and (c) above are satisfied (as certified to the Trustee by a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer). No later than two Business Days after each Extension Effective Date, the Trustee based on a determination made by the Issuer in consultation with the Servicer, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail a notice to all Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer, the Placement Agents, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) and the Irish Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed thereon) confirming whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension became effective, the Issuer shall make any required notifications thereof to the Depository for any Notes subject to the Maturity Extension.

(g) In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Noteholder, other than a Holder of Extension Sale Securities, shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment. Holders of Preference Shares shall not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

The Extension Bonus Payment shall be payable to any applicable qualifying beneficial owners who have provided the Trustee with an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification on the first Payment Date from and including each Extension Effective Date on which funds are available to be used for such purposes in accordance with Priority of Payments, but in any event, no later than the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption of the Notes. Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments on a Payment Date shall not be considered "due and payable" hereunder. The failure to pay any such Extension Bonus Payment on such date shall not be an Event of Default, unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Securities. Unpaid Extension Bonus Payments shall not accrue interest. Such amounts shall be paid, in the case of the Notes, to the accounts designated in the applicable Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification or, to the extent otherwise required by the rules of any applicable securities exchange or clearing agency, in a manner determined by the Issuer.

(h) If any Holder of Class II Preference Shares delivers an Extension Sale Notice notifying the Issuer and the Trustee of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Class II Preference Shares, (i) such Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to Investors Corp. and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares, (ii) Investors Corp. will issue additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such redesignated Preference Shares purchased by it and (iii) the Extension Qualifying Purchaser will purchase such additional Holding Preference Shares in lieu of such redesignated Preference Shares.

#### Section 2.5. *Execution, Authentication, Delivery, and Dating.*

The Notes shall be executed on behalf of each of the Applicable Issuers by one of their respective Authorized Officers. The signature of the Authorized Officer on the Notes may be manual or facsimile.

Notes bearing the manual or facsimile signatures of individuals who were at any time the Authorized Officers of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, shall bind the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, notwithstanding that any of them have ceased to hold their offices before the authentication and delivery of the Notes or did not hold their offices at the date of issuance of the Notes.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Indenture, the Co-Issuers may deliver the Senior Notes and the Issuer may deliver the Class E Notes, in each case executed by the Applicable Issuers to the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent for authentication and the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent, upon Issuer Order, shall authenticate and deliver the Notes as provided in this Indenture and not otherwise.

Each Note authenticated and delivered by the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent upon Issuer Order on the Closing Date shall be dated as of the Closing Date. All other Notes that are authenticated after the Closing Date for any other purpose under this Indenture shall be dated the date of their authentication.

Notes issued upon transfer, exchange, or replacement of other Notes shall be issued in authorized denominations reflecting the original Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes so

transferred, exchanged, or replaced, but shall represent only the current outstanding principal amount of the Notes so transferred, exchanged, or replaced. If any Note is divided into more than one Note in accordance with this Article 2, the original principal amount of the Note shall be proportionately divided among the Notes delivered in exchange for it and shall be the original aggregate principal amount of the subsequently issued Notes.

No Note shall be entitled to any benefit under this Indenture or be valid or obligatory for any purpose, unless there appears on the Note a Certificate of Authentication executed by the Trustee or by the Authenticating Agent by the manual signature of one of their Authorized Officers, and that certificate on any Note shall be conclusive evidence, and the only evidence, that the Note has been duly authenticated and delivered under this Indenture.

**Section 2.6. *Registration, Registration of Transfer and Exchange.***

(a) The Issuer shall cause a register (the "***Indenture Register***") to be kept in which the Issuer shall provide for the registration of Notes and the registration of transfers of Notes. The Trustee is hereby initially appointed "***Indenture Registrar***" for the purpose of registering Notes and transfers of the Notes as provided in this Indenture. The Issuer may rely conclusively on any such information provided to it by the Trustee. Upon any resignation or removal of the Indenture Registrar, the Issuer shall promptly appoint a successor and notify the Servicer of the appointment or, in the absence of such appointment, assume the duties of Indenture Registrar.

If the Issuer appoints a Person other than the Trustee to be Indenture Registrar, the Issuer will give the Trustee prompt written notice of the appointment of the Indenture Registrar and of the location, and any change in the location, of the Indenture Register. The Trustee may inspect the Indenture Register at all reasonable times and obtain copies of it. The Trustee may rely on a certificate executed on behalf of the Indenture Registrar by an Officer of the Indenture Registrar as to the names and addresses of the Noteholders and the principal amounts and number of the Notes.

Upon surrender for registration of transfer of any Notes at the office or agency of the Applicable Issuers to be maintained pursuant to Section 7.2, if the requirements of this Indenture are met the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in the name of the designated transferees, new Notes of any authorized denomination and of a like original Aggregate Outstanding Amount.

At the option of their Holder, Notes may be exchanged for Notes of like terms, in any authorized denominations and of like aggregate principal amount, upon surrender of the Notes to be exchanged at the office or agency of the Applicable Issuers to be maintained pursuant to Section 7.2. Whenever any Note is surrendered for exchange, the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, the Notes that the Noteholder making the exchange is entitled to receive.

All Notes issued on any registration of transfer or exchange of Notes shall be the valid obligations of the Applicable Issuers evidencing the same obligations and entitled to the same benefits under this Indenture as the Notes surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

Every Note presented or surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange shall be duly endorsed, or be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Indenture Registrar duly executed by its holder or his attorney duly authorized in writing.



No Holder shall incur a service charge for any registration of transfer or exchange of the Notes, but the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

(b) No Note may be sold or transferred (including by pledge or hypothecation) unless the sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, is exempt from the registration requirements under applicable state securities laws, and will not cause either of the Co-Issuers to become subject to the requirement that it register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act. None of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee or any other Person shall have any obligation to register the Notes under the Securities Act or any state securities laws.

(c) (i) No Note or interest therein may be transferred to any purchaser or transferee unless such purchase, holding and disposition of such Note will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any federal, state, foreign or local law that is substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code).

(ii) No person shall be permitted to acquire any Class E Note if (A) such acquisition would result in persons who have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of the Class E Notes immediately after such sale or transfer (excluding for purposes of such determination any Class E Notes held by any Controlling Person (as defined below) and its affiliates (as defined below)) determined in accordance with the Plan Asset Regulation or (B) such person, or any account on behalf of which such person is acquiring the Class E Notes, is an employee benefit plan or other plan subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, including entities whose underlying assets are treated as if they are they assets of such plans. . Under the Plan Asset Regulation, an “affiliate” of a person includes any person, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controlling, controlled by or under common control with the person, and “control” with respect to a person other than an individual, means the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of such person. In making the 25% determination, Class E Notes held by any person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer or any affiliate of any such person (any such person, a “**Controlling Person**”) (such as the Class E Notes held by the Servicer or its affiliates) will be disregarded and not treated as outstanding

(iii) Any person described in paragraph (i) and (ii) above is referred to herein as a “**Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor.**” Any transfer of a beneficial interest to a Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor shall be void and any such purported transfer of which the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee has notice may be disregarded by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Trustee for all purposes.

(d) None of the Trustee, the Share Registrar or the Indenture Registrar shall be responsible for ascertaining whether any transfer complies with, or for otherwise monitoring or determining compliance with, the requirements or terms of the Securities Act, applicable state securities laws, ERISA, the Code or the Investment Company Act; except that if a certificate or any other document is specifically required by this Section 2.6 to be provided to the Trustee or such Registrar by a prospective transferee, the Trustee and such Registrar, as applicable, shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine whether it conforms substantially on its face to the applicable requirements of this Section 2.6.

(e) For so long as any of the Notes are Outstanding, the Issuer shall not issue or register the transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares to U.S. persons and the Co-Issuer shall not issue or register the transfer of any of its shares of the Co-Issuer to U.S. persons. As used in this subsection (e), "U.S. person" has the meaning assigned to it in Regulation S.

(f) So long as a Global Note remains Outstanding and is held by or on behalf of the Depository, transfers of the Global Note, in whole or in part, shall only be made in accordance with Section 2.2(c), Section 2.6(c) and this Section 2.6(f).

(i) Subject to clauses (ii), (iii) and (iv) of this Section 2.6(f), transfers of a Global Note shall be limited to transfers of the Global Note in whole, but not in part, to nominees of the Depository.

(ii) *Rule 144A Global Note to Regulation S Global Note.* If a Holder of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note deposited with the Depository wishes at any time to exchange its interest in the Rule 144A Global Note for an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note, or to transfer its interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to a Person who wishes to take delivery of it in the form of an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note, the Holder may exchange or transfer the interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note (subject to the rules and procedures of the Depository) if the Holder after the exchange or transfer is not a U.S. person.

The Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository to reduce the principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Note and to increase the principal amount of the Regulation S Global Note by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to be exchanged, and to credit to the securities account of the Person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note equal to the reduction in the principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Note upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of

(A) instructions given in accordance with the Depository's procedures from an Agent Member directing the Indenture Registrar to credit a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to the Holder's Senior Notes, equal to the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to be exchanged or transferred,

(B) a written order given in accordance with the Depository's procedures containing information regarding the participant account of the Depository and the Euroclear or Clearstream account to be credited with the increase,

(C) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-3 given by the Holder of the beneficial interest stating that the exchange or transfer of the interest has been made in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Global Notes, including that the Holder or the transferee, as applicable, is not a U.S. person, and that the transfer has been made pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S, and

(D) in the case of a transfer, a certificate in the applicable form of Exhibit B-1 given by the proposed transferee stating that it is not a U.S. person.

(iii) *Regulation S Global Note to Rule 144A Global Note.* If a Holder of a Senior Note held as a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note deposited with the Depository wishes at any time to exchange its interest in the Regulation S Global Note for an interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note or to transfer its interest in the Regulation S Global Note to a Person who wishes to take delivery of it in the form of an interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note, the Holder may, subject to the rules and procedures of Euroclear, Clearstream or the Depository, as the case may be, exchange or transfer, or cause the exchange or transfer of, the interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note. Upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of:

(A) instructions from Euroclear, Clearstream or the Depository, as the case may be, directing the Indenture Registrar to cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note equal to the beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Note, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to the Holder's Senior Notes, to be exchanged or transferred, the instructions to contain information regarding the participant account with the Depository to be credited with the increase,

(B) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-2 given by the Holder of the beneficial interest and stating that, in the case of an exchange, the Holder is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser or, in the case of a transfer, the Person transferring the interest in the Regulation S Global Note reasonably believes that the Person acquiring the interest in a Rule 144A Global Note is a Qualified Institutional Buyer, is obtaining the beneficial interest in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction, and a Qualified Purchaser, and

(C) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-1 given by the proposed transferee stating that it is a QIB/QP,

the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository to reduce the Regulation S Global Note by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Note to be transferred or exchanged and the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository, concurrently with the reduction, to credit to the securities account of the Person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note equal to the reduction in the principal amount of the Regulation S Global Note.

(iv) *Other Exchanges.* If a Global Note is exchanged for Senior Notes in definitive registered form without interest coupons pursuant to Section 2.11, the Senior Notes may be exchanged for one another only in accordance with procedures substantially consistent with the provisions above (including certification requirements intended to insure that the transfers are made only to Holders who are QIB/QPs or non-U.S. persons, or otherwise comply with Regulation S, as the case may be), and as may be from time to time adopted by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee.

(g) So long as the Class E Notes remain Outstanding transfers of such Class E Notes shall only be made in accordance with Section 2.6(c) and this Section 2.6(g) upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of (i) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-4 given by the proposed transferee stating that it is a QIB/QP and containing other representations, warranties and agreements of such transferee and (ii) (A) appropriate documentation required under the Code and

the applicable Treasury regulations establishing that the beneficial owner of the Class E Notes to be transferred is either not a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-8BEN or an IRS Form W-8IMY with appropriate attachments) or a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-9) and (B) if such beneficial owner of Class E Notes to be transferred is treated as a partnership, S-corporation or grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a written representation from such beneficial owner that (1) there will not be any interests in such beneficial owner where substantially all of the value of such interest is attributable to the value of the Class E Notes proposed to be transferred to such beneficial owner, together with the value of any Class E Notes, Holding Preference Shares and Preference Shares already held by such beneficial owner and (2) such beneficial owner is not a part of any arrangement a principal purpose of which is to cause the Class E Notes and Preference Shares to be treated as owned by 100 persons or less within the meaning of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h). In addition, neither the Trustee nor the Issuer shall recognize any transfers of Class E Notes, and any such proposed transfer shall be null and void, if (a) the proposed transfer will cause the Issuer to have more than ninety-nine beneficial owners (as determined for purposes of the provisions of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h)) of its Class E Notes and Preference Shares unless it receives the consent of all of the Holders of the Preference Shares and an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that Holders of the Notes will not recognize gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such transfer, and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such transfer had not been made or (b) such transfer was made pursuant to a trade on an Established Securities Market. The Trustee shall contact the Preference Shares Paying Agent to determine the number of beneficial owners of the Preference Shares. The Trustee shall provide, upon request by the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the number of beneficial owners of the Class E Notes.

(h) If the Notes are issued upon the transfer, exchange, or replacement of Notes bearing the applicable legends in the applicable forms in Exhibit A, as applicable, and if a request is made to remove the legend on the Notes, the legend shall not be removed unless the Trustee and the Applicable Issuers received satisfactory evidence, which may include an Opinion of Counsel acceptable to them, reasonably required by the Applicable Issuers (and which shall by its terms permit reliance by the Trustee), to the effect that neither the legend nor the restrictions on transfer in it are required to ensure that transfers of the Notes comply with the Securities Act, the Investment Company Act, ERISA and the Code. Upon provision of satisfactory evidence, the Trustee or its Authenticating Agent, at the written direction of the Applicable Issuers shall, after due execution by the Applicable Issuers authenticate and deliver Notes that do not bear the applicable legend.

(i) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Section 2.6 to the contrary:

(i) Restrictions on U.S. Transfers. Transfers of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note that are not made in an offshore transaction pursuant to Regulation S or are made to U.S. Persons, if such transferees take delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note, shall be limited to transfers made pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.6(f)(iii) and Section 2.6(f)(iv).

(ii) Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may only be held through Euroclear or Clearstream.

(j) (i) Each Person who becomes a beneficial owner of a Senior Note evidenced by: (A) an interest in a Definitive Note, shall make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in the applicable Transferee Certificate set forth in Exhibit B-1 upon such Person's purchase or other acquisition of the relevant Definitive Note and (B) an interest in a Global Note, shall be deemed to make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in the applicable legends of the Notes set forth in

Exhibit A-1 hereto and in the applicable Transferee Certificate set forth in Exhibit B-1 hereto upon such Person's purchase or other acquisition of the relevant Global Note.

(ii) Each Person who becomes a beneficial owner of a Class E Note shall make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in the Transferee Certificate set forth in Exhibit B-4 upon such Person's purchase or other acquisition of such Class E Note.

(k) The aggregate principal amount of any Global Note may be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee, as custodian for DTC for the Global Note, which adjustments shall be conclusive as to the aggregate principal amount of any Global Note.

(l) Any purported transfer of a Note not in accordance with this Section 2.6 shall be null and void.

**Section 2.7. *Mutilated, Destroyed, Lost or Stolen Notes.***

If the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, and the relevant Transfer Agent receive evidence to their satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of any Note, and they receive the security or indemnity they require to hold each of them harmless, or if any mutilated Note is surrendered to a Transfer Agent, then, in the absence of notice to the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, or the Transfer Agent that the Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the Applicable Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in exchange for the mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Note, a replacement Note, of like tenor and equal principal or face amount.

If, after delivery of the replacement Note or payment on it, a protected purchaser of the predecessor Note presents it for payment, transfer, or exchange, the Applicable Issuers, the Transfer Agent, and the Trustee may recover the replacement Note (or the payment on it) from the Person to whom it was delivered or any Person taking the replacement Note from the Person to whom the replacement Note was delivered or any assignee of that Person, except a protected purchaser, and may recover on the security or indemnity provided therefor to the extent of any loss, damage, cost, or expense incurred by the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, and the Transfer Agent in connection with it.

If the final payment in respect of any mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Note has become payable, the Applicable Issuers in their discretion may, instead of issuing a new Note pay the Note without requiring its surrender except that any mutilated Note shall be surrendered.

Upon the issuance of any new Note under this Section, the Applicable Issuers or the Trustee may require the payment by its holder of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with the issuance and any other expenses (including the fees and expenses of the Trustee) connected with it.

Every new Note issued pursuant to this Section in replacement for any mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Note shall be an original additional contractual obligation of the Applicable Issuers and the new Note shall be entitled to all the benefits of this Indenture equally and proportionately with all other Notes of the same Class duly issued under this Indenture, as applicable.

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

Section 2.8. ***Payment of Principal and Interest and Other Amounts; Principal and Interest Rights Preserved; Withholding.***

(a) The Notes of each Class shall accrue interest during each Interest Period on their Aggregate Outstanding Amount (determined as of the first day of the Interest Period and after giving effect to any redemption or other payment of principal occurring on that day) at the Applicable Note Interest Rate. Interest shall be payable in arrears on each Payment Date. Payment of interest on each Class of Notes shall be subordinated to the payments of interest on the related Priority Classes and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of interest due on the Class of Deferred Interest Notes that is not available to be paid ("***Deferred Interest***") in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered "payable" for the purposes of this Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Interest shall cease to accrue on each Note, or in the case of a partial repayment, on the part repaid, from the date of repayment or its Stated Maturity unless payment of principal is improperly withheld or unless there is some other default with respect to the payments of principal.

To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for the Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest, until paid as provided in this Indenture.

(b) The principal of each Note of each Class matures at par and is payable on the Payment Date that is the Stated Maturity for the Class of Notes, unless the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable at an earlier date by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the payment of principal of each Class of Notes:

(i) may only occur after principal on each Class of Notes that is a Priority Class with respect to the Class has been paid in full; and

(ii) is subordinated to the payment on each Payment Date of the principal and interest payable on the Priority Classes, and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments;

provided that, notwithstanding the foregoing, Interest Proceeds may be used to pay principal of the Class E Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class E Coverage Tests.

(c) Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Section 9.1.

(d) As a condition to the payment of principal of and interest on any Note without the imposition of U.S. withholding tax, the Paying Agent shall require the previous delivery of appropriate properly completed and signed original forms United States federal income tax certifications (generally, an Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a Person that is a "United States person" within the meaning of Section

7701(a)(30) of the Code or an appropriate Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a Person that is not a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) or any other certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, and any Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments on the Note under any present or future law of the United States or any present or future law of any political subdivision of the United States or taxing authority in the United States or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under any such law.

(e) Payments in respect of interest on and principal of any Note shall be made by the Trustee, or by the Irish Paying Agent, if applicable, in U.S. Dollars to the Depository or its designee with respect to a Global Note and to the Holder or its nominee with respect to a Definitive Note and a Class E Note, by wire transfer, as directed by the Holder, in immediately available funds to a U.S. Dollar account maintained by the Depository or its nominee with respect to a Global Note, and to the Holder or its designee with respect to a Definitive Note and a Class E Note. In the case of a Definitive Note and a Class E Note, its Holder has provided written wiring instructions to the Trustee and, if the payment with respect to a Definitive Note is to be made by the Irish Paying Agent, the Irish Paying Agent, on or before the related Record Date.

If appropriate instructions for the wire transfer are not received by the related Record Date, then the payment will be made by check drawn on a U.S. bank mailed to the address of the Holder in the Indenture Register. Upon final payment due on the Maturity of a Note, its Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the office designated by the Trustee on or before the Maturity. If the Trustee and the Applicable Issuers have been furnished the security or indemnity they require to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the certificate, then, in the absence of notice to the Applicable Issuers or the Trustee that the applicable Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender. Neither the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Share Registrar nor any Paying Agent shall have any responsibility or liability for any aspects of the records maintained by Euroclear, Clearstream, or any of the Agent Members relating to or for payments made thereby on account of beneficial interests in a Global Note.

In the case where any final payment of principal and interest is to be made on any Note (other than on its Stated Maturity and except as otherwise provided in this Indenture), the Trustee, in the name and at the expense of the Applicable Issuers shall, not more than 30 nor less than 10 days before the date on which the payment is to be made, mail (by first-class mail, postage prepaid) to the Persons entitled thereto at their addresses appearing on the Indenture Register, a notice specifying the date on which the payment will be made, the amount of the payment per U.S.\$100,000 original principal amount of Notes and the place where the Notes may be presented and surrendered for payment. If the Trustee and the Issuer have been furnished any security or indemnity they require to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the certificate, then, in the absence of notice to the Issuer or the Trustee that the applicable certificate has been acquired by a protected purchaser, final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender of the applicable certificate.

(f) Payments of principal to Holders of the Notes of each Class shall be made in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes of the Class registered in the name of each Holder on the applicable Record Date bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Notes of the Class on the Record Date.

(g) Interest accrued shall be calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in the applicable Interest Period divided by 360.

(h) All reductions in the principal amount of a Note (or one or more predecessor Notes) effected by payments of installments of principal made on any Payment Date or Redemption Date shall be binding on all future Holders of the Note and of any Note issued upon the registration of its transfer, exchange, or replacement, whether or not the payment is noted on the Note.

(i) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the obligations of the Applicable Issuers under the Notes and under this Indenture are limited recourse obligations of the Applicable Issuers payable solely from the Collateral and following realization of the assets, application of their proceeds in accordance with this Indenture and the reduction of the proceeds of the Collateral to zero, all obligations of, and any claims against, the Co-Issuers under this Indenture or under the Notes or arising in connection therewith shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. No recourse shall be had against any Officer, director, employee, shareholder, or incorporator of either of the Co-Issuers or their respective successors or assigns for any amounts payable under the Notes or this Indenture. The foregoing provisions of this paragraph (i) shall not (1) prevent recourse to the Collateral for the sums due or to become due under any security, instrument, or agreement that is part of the Collateral or (2) be a waiver, release, or discharge of any indebtedness or obligation evidenced by the Notes or secured by this Indenture until the Collateral have been realized. The foregoing provisions of this paragraph (i) shall not limit the right of any Person to name the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as a party defendant in any Proceeding or in the exercise of any other remedy under the Notes or this Indenture, so long as no judgment in the nature of a deficiency judgment or seeking personal liability is sought or (if obtained) enforced against the person.

(j) If any withholding tax is imposed on the Issuer's payment (or allocations of income) under the Notes to any Noteholder, the tax shall reduce the amount otherwise distributable to the Noteholder. The Trustee is hereby authorized and directed to retain from amounts otherwise distributable to any Noteholder sufficient funds for the payment of any tax that is legally owed, or required by law to be collected, by or on behalf of the Issuer (but the authorization shall not prevent the Trustee or the Issuer from contesting any such tax in appropriate proceedings and withholding payment of the tax, if permitted by law, pending the outcome of the proceedings). The amount of any withholding tax imposed with respect to any Noteholder shall be treated as Cash distributed to the Noteholder when it is withheld by the Trustee and remitted to the appropriate taxing authority. If there is a possibility that withholding tax is payable with respect to a distribution, the Trustee may in its sole discretion withhold the amounts in accordance with this Section 2.8(j). If any Noteholder wishes to apply for a refund of any such withholding tax, the Trustee shall reasonably cooperate with the Noteholder in making the claim by providing information readily available to the Trustee so long as the Noteholder agrees to reimburse the Trustee for any out-of-pocket expenses incurred and provides the Trustee with security reasonably acceptable to the Trustee assuring the reimbursement. The Trustee hereby provides notice to each Noteholder that the failure by the Noteholder to provide the Trustee with appropriate tax certifications may result in amounts being withheld from payments to the Noteholder. Nothing in this Indenture shall impose an obligation on the part of the Trustee to determine the amount of any tax or withholding obligation on the part of the Issuer or in respect of the Notes.

#### Section 2.9. *Persons Considered Owners.*

The Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, and any agent of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee may treat as the owner of the Note the Person in whose name any Note is registered on the Indenture Register on the applicable Record Date for the purpose of receiving payments on the Note and on any other date for all other purposes whatsoever (whether or not the Note is overdue), and neither the Issuer, the Co-Issuer nor the Trustee nor any agent of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee shall be affected by notice to the contrary. Pursuant to the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will



notify the Trustee, the Share Registrar and the Holding Share Registrar of any Affiliate of the Servicer that owns any of the Transaction Securities.

**Section 2.10. Cancellation.**

All Notes surrendered for payment, registration of transfer, exchange, or redemption, or lost or stolen, shall be promptly canceled by the Trustee and may not be reissued or resold. No Notes shall be authenticated in lieu of or in exchange for any Notes canceled as provided in this Section 2.10, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture. All canceled Notes held by the Trustee shall be destroyed by the Trustee in accordance with its standard policy unless the Applicable Issuers direct by an Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee prior to cancellation and destruction that they be returned to the Issuer.

**Section 2.11. Definitive Notes.**

(a) A Global Note deposited with the Depository pursuant to Section 2.2 shall be transferred in the form of a Definitive Note to its beneficial owners only if the transfer complies with Section 2.6 and either

- (i) the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as Depository for the Global Note or
- (ii) if at any time the Depository ceases to be a Clearing Agency registered under the Exchange Act and, in each case, a successor depository is not appointed by the Co-Issuers within 90 days after the notice.

(b) Any Global Note that is transferable in the form of a Definitive Note to its beneficial owners pursuant to this Section 2.11 shall be surrendered by the Depository to the office of the Trustee's agent located in the City of New York, New York as specified in Section 7.2 (or any other office designated by the Trustee) to be so transferred, in whole or from time to time in part, without charge, and the Applicable Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, upon the transfer of each portion of the Global Note, an equal aggregate principal amount of definitive physical certificates (pursuant to the instructions of the Depository) (each, a "**Definitive Note**") in authorized denominations. Any Definitive Note delivered in exchange for an interest in a Global Note, as applicable, shall, except as otherwise provided by Section 2.6(j), bear the legends in the applicable portion of Exhibit A-1 and shall be subject to the transfer restrictions referred to in the legends.

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

(d) Upon the occurrence of either of the events specified in Section 2.11(a)(i) and (ii), the Co-Issuers shall promptly make available to the Trustee a reasonable supply of Definitive Notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons.

The Definitive Notes shall be in substantially the same form as the Global Notes, with any changes the Issuer and Trustee agree to and the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in exchange therefor, the same aggregate principal amount of Definitive Notes of authorized denominations.

**Section 2.12. *Notes Beneficially Owned by Non-Permitted Holders.***

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary elsewhere in this Indenture, (i) any transfer of a beneficial interest in any Global Note to a U.S. person (for purposes of this Section 2.12 as defined in Regulation S) that is not a QIB/QP and that is not made pursuant to an applicable exemption under the Securities Act and (ii) any transfer of a beneficial interest in any Class E Note to a Person that is not a QIB/QP, shall be void and any such purported transfer of which the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee has notice may be disregarded by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Trustee for all purposes.

(b) After discovery by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee (and notice by the Trustee or the Co-Issuer to the Issuer, if either of them makes the discovery) that a Person is a Non-Permitted Holder, the Issuer shall promptly send notice to the Non-Permitted Holder demanding that the Non-Permitted Holder transfer its interest to a Person that is not a Non-Permitted Holder within 30 days of the date of the notice. If the Non-Permitted Holder fails to so transfer its Notes or interest in the Notes without further notice to the Non-Permitted Holder, the Issuer may sell the Notes or interest in the Notes to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is not a Non-Permitted Holder on any terms the Issuer chooses. The Issuer, or the Trustee acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting bids (or by appointing an investment bank at the expense of the Issuer to solicit bids) from brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Notes, and selling the Notes, or interest in the Notes to the highest bidder. However, the Issuer or the Trustee may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Note, the beneficial owner of each interest in a Note, the Non-Permitted Holder, and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder or beneficial owner to the Non-Permitted Holder, by its acceptance of an interest in the Notes agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Trustee to effect the transfers. The proceeds of the sale, net of any commissions, expenses of the Trustee or otherwise, and taxes due in connection with the sale shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted Holder. The terms of any sale under this subsection shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer (or the Trustee acting on its behalf), and the Issuer and the Trustee shall not be liable to any Person having an interest in the Notes sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of its discretion.

**Section 2.13 *Tax Purposes***

The Issuer agrees, and each Holder and each beneficial owner of a Note, by acceptance of its Note or its interest in a Note, as the case may be, shall be deemed to have agreed, to treat, and shall treat, such Note as unconditional debt of the Issuer for tax, accounting and financial reporting purposes.

**ARTICLE 3**

**CONDITIONS PRECEDENT**

**Section 3.1. *Conditions to Issuance of Notes on Closing Date.***

The Notes to be issued on the Closing Date shall be executed by the Applicable Issuers and delivered to the Trustee for authentication and thereupon the same shall be authenticated and delivered by the Trustee upon Issuer Order and upon receipt by the Trustee of the following:

- (i) *Officers' Certificates of the Co-Issuers Regarding Corporate Matters.* An Officer's certificate of each of the Co-Issuers:

(A) (1) evidencing (x) the authorization by Board Resolution of the execution and delivery of this Indenture and the Placement Agency Agreement and, in the case of the Issuer, the Servicing Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Hedge Agreements being entered into on or before the Closing Date (if any), and related transaction documents and (y) the execution, authentication and delivery of the Notes applied for by it and specifying the Stated Maturity, principal amount and the Note Interest Rate of each applicable Class of Notes to be authenticated and delivered and (2) with respect to the Issuer only, evidencing the authorization by Board Resolution of the issuance, terms and number of Preference Shares issued on the Closing Date, and that each of the foregoing is in accordance with the terms of the Board Resolution, and

(B) certifying that (1) the attached copy of the Board Resolution is an accurate copy, (2) the resolutions have not been rescinded and are in full force on and as of the Closing Date and (3) the Officers authorized to execute and deliver the documents hold the offices and have the signatures indicated on the documents.

(ii) *Governmental Approvals.* From each of the Co-Issuers either:

(A) a certificate of the Applicable Issuer or other official document evidencing the due authorization, approval or consent of any governmental bodies, at the time having jurisdiction in the premises, together with an Opinion of Counsel of the Applicable Issuer that no other authorization, approval or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of the Notes applied for by it, or

(B) an Opinion of Counsel of the Applicable Issuer that no authorization, approval, or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of the Notes except as have been given; provided that the opinions of Latham & Watkins, LLP and Ogier, substantially in the forms of Exhibit C and Exhibit D, respectively, shall satisfy this clause (B).

(iii) *Co-Issuers' and Servicer's U.S. Counsel Opinion.* Opinions of Latham & Watkins LLP, special U.S. counsel to the Co-Issuers, and an opinion of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, counsel to the Servicer, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the forms of Exhibit C and Exhibit F.

(iv) *Issuer's Cayman Counsel Opinion.* An opinion of Ogier, Cayman Islands counsel to the Issuer, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit D.

(v) *Trustee's Counsel Opinion.* An opinion of Nixon Peabody LLP, counsel to the Trustee, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit E.

(vi) *Officers' Certificates of Co-Issuers Regarding Indenture.* An Officer's certificate of each of the Co-Issuers stating that, to the best of the Officer's knowledge,

(A) the Applicable Issuer is not in default under this Indenture and that the issuance of the Notes applied for by it will not result in a default or a breach of, or be a default under, its organizational documents, any indenture or other agreement or instrument to which it is a party or by which it is bound, or any order

of any court or administrative agency entered in any Proceeding to which it is a party or by which it may be bound or to which it may be subject;

(B) all conditions precedent in this Indenture relating to the authentication and delivery of the applicable Notes have been complied with; and

(C) all expenses due or accrued with respect to the Offering or relating to actions taken on or in connection with the Closing Date have been paid or reserves therefor have been made.

The Officer's certificate of the Issuer shall also state that, to the best of the Officer's knowledge, all of its representations and warranties contained in this Indenture are accurate as of the Closing Date.

(vii) *Hedge Agreements*. Executed copies of the Hedge Agreements being entered into on or entered into before the Closing Date, if any.

(viii) *Servicing Agreement*. Executed copy of the Servicing Agreement.

(ix) *Preference Shares*. Copies of executed Preference Share certificates to be issued on the Closing Date.

(x) *Preference Share Documents*. An executed counterpart of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

(xi) *Collateral Administration Agreement*. Executed copy of the Collateral Administration Agreement.

(xii) *Grant of Collateral Obligations*. Evidence of the Grant pursuant to the Granting Clauses of this Indenture of all of the Issuer's interest in the Collateral Obligations pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, on the Closing Date and Delivery of the Collateral Obligations (including any promissory notes and all other Underlying Instruments related to them to the extent received by the Issuer) to the Trustee or the Custodian as contemplated by Section 3.2.

(xiii) *Certificate of the Servicer*. A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, in the case of each Collateral Obligation pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, as the case may be, on the Closing Date and immediately before the delivery of the Collateral Obligation on the Closing Date:

(A) the "row/column combination" of the table appearing in the definition of "Ratings Matrix" selected by the Servicer on the Closing Date;

(B) the information with respect to the Collateral Obligation in the Schedule of Collateral Obligations is correct; and

(C) the Collateral Obligation satisfies the requirements of the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and of Section 3.1(xx)(B);

(xiv) *Rating Letters*. An Officer's certificate of the Issuer to the effect that attached is an accurate copy of a letter signed by each Rating Agency and confirming that

each Class of Notes rated by the Rating Agency has been assigned the applicable Initial Rating and that the ratings are in full force on the Closing Date.

(xv) *Accounts.* Evidence that each of the Accounts has been established.

(xvi) *Issuer Order for Deposit of Funds into Accounts.* An Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, authorizing the deposit of at least U.S.\$150,000,000 into the Collection Account for use pursuant to Section 7.19, the deposit of approximately U.S.\$11,313,000 into the Closing Date Expense Account for use pursuant to Section 10.3(g) and the deposit of approximately U.S.\$1,147,500 into the Interest Reserve Account for use pursuant to Section 10.3(i).

(xvii) *Irish Listing.* An Officer's certificate of the Issuer to the effect that application has been made to the Irish Stock Exchange to admit the Senior Notes to the Daily Official List.

(xviii) *Issuer Order for Authentication of Notes.* An Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, directing the Trustee to authenticate the Notes in the amounts, in the registered names and with the CUSIP numbers in the Issuer Order.

(xix) *Accountants' Certificate.* An Accountants' Certificate (A) confirming the information with respect to each Collateral Obligation on the Schedule of Collateral Obligations attached as Schedule 1, (B) confirming that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that the Issuer has purchased or committed to purchase in accordance with customary settlement procedures in the relevant markets, is approximately U.S.\$862,000,000, that each Concentration Limitation is satisfied taking into account all of the Collateral Obligations acquired as of the Closing Date (including binding agreements to purchase Collateral Obligations in effect on the Closing Date), that the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date and that the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date and a calculation of the Diversity Score, (C) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to this Section 3.1(xix) and (D) confirming the weighted average purchase price of the Collateral Obligations.

(xx) *Certificate of the Issuer Regarding Collateral.* A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, to the knowledge of the Issuer, in the case of each Collateral Obligation pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, as the case may be, on the Closing Date and immediately before the delivery of the Collateral Obligation on the Closing Date:

(A) the Issuer is the owner of the Collateral Obligation free of any liens, claims, or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever except for those that are being released on the Closing Date and except for those Granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture;

(B) the Issuer has acquired its ownership in the Collateral Obligation in good faith without notice of any adverse claim, except as described in paragraph (A) above;

(C) the Issuer has not assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered any interest in the Collateral Obligation (or, if any interest in the Collateral Obligation has been assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered, it has been released before the Closing Date or is being released on the Closing Date) other than interests Granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture;

(D) the Issuer has full right to Grant a security interest in and assign and pledge the Collateral Obligation to the Trustee;

(E) upon Grant by the Issuer, the Trustee has a first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral Obligations and the other Collateral; and

(F) based solely on the Accountant's Certificate set forth in clause (xix) above, the weighted average purchase price of the Collateral Obligations in the Collateral as of the Closing Date is at least 90% of the aggregate par amount thereof.

(xxi) *Certificate of the Issuer Regarding Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice.* A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, on or prior to the Closing Date the Issuer provided to the Depository the Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice, substantially in the form of Exhibit H-2.

(xxii) *Other Documents.* Any other documents the Trustee reasonably requires. Nothing in this clause (xxii) shall imply or impose a duty on the part of the Trustee to require any other documents.

**Section 3.2. *Custodianship; Delivery of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments.***

(a) The Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall deliver or cause to be delivered to a custodian appointed by the Issuer, which shall be a Securities Intermediary (the "**Custodian**"), all Collateral in accordance with the definition of "Deliver." Initially, the Custodian shall be U.S. Bank National Association. Any successor custodian shall be a state or national bank or trust company that is not an Affiliate of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and has capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000 and is a Securities Intermediary. Subject to the limited right to relocate Pledged Obligations as provided in Section 7.5(b), the Trustee shall hold all Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, other assets purchased in accordance with this Indenture (other than Loans, Participations and general intangibles) and Cash in the relevant Account established and maintained pursuant to Article 10, as to which in each case the Trustee shall have entered into an agreement with the Custodian substantially in the form of Exhibit G providing, *inter alia*, that the establishment and maintenance of the Account shall be governed by the law of the State of New York.

(b) Each time that the Issuer, or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, directs or causes the acquisition of any Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other assets, the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) shall, if the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other asset is required to be, but has not already been, transferred to the relevant Account, cause the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other asset to be Delivered to the Custodian to be held in the Custodial Account (or in the case of any such asset that is not a Collateral Obligation, in the Account in which the funds used to purchase the asset are held in accordance with Article 10) for the benefit of the

Trustee in accordance with this Indenture. The security interest of the Trustee in the funds or other property used in connection with the acquisition shall, immediately and without further action on the part of the Trustee, be released. The security interest of the Trustee shall nevertheless come into existence and continue in the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other asset so acquired, including all interests of the Issuer in to any contracts related to and proceeds of the Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments or other assets.

**Section 3.3. *Representations as to Collateral.***

(a) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants to the Secured Parties as to the Collateral as follows (which representations are repeated on each day on which the Issuer acquires new Collateral):

(i) This Indenture creates a valid and continuing security interest (as defined in the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) in the Collateral in favor of the Trustee, which security interest is prior to all other liens, charges, claims, security interests, mortgages and other encumbrances, and is enforceable as such as against creditors of and purchasers from the Issuer.

(ii) Except for any Securities Lending Collateral and Synthetic Securities Collateral, the Issuer has good and marketable title to and is the owner of each item of Collateral free of any liens, claims, or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever except for liens (A) that are being released on the Closing Date and (B) granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture. The Issuer has a first priority security interest in all Securities Lending Collateral to secure all obligations of Securities Lending Counterparty under the Securities Lending Agreement and a first priority interest in all Synthetic Securities Collateral to secure all obligations of Synthetic Security Counterparty under the Synthetic Securities Agreement.

(iii) The Issuer has not assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered any interest in the Collateral (or, if any interest in the Collateral has been assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered, it has been released before the Closing Date or is being released on the Closing Date) other than interests granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture.

(iv) The Issuer has full right, and has received all consents and approvals required by the related Underlying Instruments, to grant a security interest in its rights in the Collateral to the Trustee.

(v) Each Collateral Obligation included in the Collateral satisfied the requirements of the definition of "Collateral Obligation" as of the date the Issuer committed to purchase the same or, in the case of the Warehoused Loans, as of the Closing Date.

(vi) All Collateral Obligations, any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange did not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, and Eligible Investments (other than, in each case, "general intangibles" within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) have been and will have been credited to one of the Accounts. The securities intermediary for each Account has agreed to treat all assets credited to the Accounts as "financial assets" within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code.

(vii) The Issuer has pledged to the Trustee all of the Issuer's interest in each Collateral Obligation included in the Collateral pursuant to the Granting Clauses of this

Indenture and has delivered each Collateral Obligation (including any promissory note and all its other Underlying Instruments to the extent received by the Issuer) to the Trustee or the Custodian as contemplated by Section 3.2.

(viii) Each of the Collateral constitutes "general intangibles," "certificated securities," "instruments," "securities entitlements" or "uncertificated securities," each within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code, or any other category of collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code as to which the Issuer has complied with its obligations under Section 3.3(b).

(ix) The Issuer has caused (or will have caused within 10 days following the Closing Date) the filing of appropriate financing statements in the proper filing offices in the appropriate jurisdictions under applicable law to perfect the security interest in the portion of the Collateral pledged to the Trustee under this Indenture that may be perfected by the filing of financing statements.

(x) The Issuer has not authorized the filing of and is not aware of any financing statements against the Issuer that include a description of collateral covering the Collateral other than any financing statement (A) relating to the security interest granted to the Trustee under this Indenture, (B) that has been terminated or (C) that names the Trustee as the secured party. On the date of this Indenture, the Issuer is not aware of any judgment or Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation or tax lien filings against the Issuer.

(xi) The Issuer has delivered to the Trustee a fully executed agreement pursuant to which the securities intermediary for each Account has agreed to comply with all instructions originated by the Trustee relating to the Account without further consent by the Issuer.

(xii) All original executed copies of each "instrument" (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral have been delivered to the Custodian, to the extent received by the Issuer. The Issuer has received confirmation from the Custodian that the Custodian has credited the instruments to one of the Accounts. None of the instruments that are or evidence the Collateral has any marks or notations indicating that they are then pledged or otherwise assigned to any Person other than the Trustee.

(xiii) The Accounts are not in the name of any Person other than the Issuer or the Trustee. The Issuer has not consented to the securities intermediary of any Account to comply with instructions of any Person other than the Trustee.

(xiv) All "certificated securities" (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral have been delivered to the Custodian, to the extent received by the Issuer, registered in the name of the Custodian or indorsed to the Custodian. The Issuer has received confirmation from the Custodian that the Custodian has credited such certificated securities to one of the Accounts.

(xv) The Issuer has caused all "uncertificated securities" (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral to be registered in the name of the Custodian.

(xvi) Upon grant by the Issuer, the Trustee has a first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral.



The parties to this Indenture shall not waive any of the representations in this Section 3.3, unless the Rating Condition is satisfied in connection with such waiver. The Issuer shall provide each of the Rating Agencies with prompt written notice of any breach of the representations contained in this Section 3.3 upon becoming aware thereof, and shall not waive a breach of any of the representations in this Section 3.3, unless the Rating Condition is satisfied (as determined after any adjustment or withdrawal of the ratings following notice of such breach) in connection with such waiver.

If the Issuer acquires Collateral that is not "general intangibles," "certificated securities," "instruments," "securities entitlements," or "uncertificated securities," each within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code, or another category of collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code as to which the Issuer has complied with its obligations under this Section 3.3(b), then on or before the date on which the Issuer acquires the Collateral, the Issuer (or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer) shall notify S&P and the Trustee (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) of its acquisition or intended acquisition of the Collateral and the Issuer shall represent to S&P and to the Trustee (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) as to the category of the Collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code and shall make any further representations as to the perfection and priority of the security interest in the Collateral Granted under this Indenture acceptable to S&P.

## ARTICLE 4

### SATISFACTION AND DISCHARGE

#### Section 4.1. *Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture.*

This Indenture shall be discharged and shall cease to be of further effect with respect to the Notes and the Collateral except as to:

- (i) rights of registration of transfer and exchange,
- (ii) substitution of mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Notes,
- (iii) rights of Noteholders to receive payments of principal and interest on, or other amounts (including without limitation Extension Bonus Payments) owing in respect of, the Notes as provided in this Indenture,
- (iv) the rights, indemnities, and immunities of the Trustee under this Indenture and the obligations of the Trustee under Section 7.3 of this Indenture with respect to the holding and paying of unclaimed funds,
- (v) for so long as any Preference Shares remain Outstanding, any provisions hereof conferring any rights or remedies upon the Holders of the Preference Shares or the Preference Shares Paying Agent on behalf of the Holders of the Preference Shares, including but not limited to, the provisions of Articles 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15,
- (vi) for so long as any Preference Shares remain Outstanding, the provisions of Articles 10, 11 and 12 relating to the acquisition, retention and disbursement of Collateral,
- (vi) the rights, obligations, and immunities of the Servicer under this Indenture and under the Servicing Agreement, and

(vii) the rights of Noteholders as beneficiaries of this Indenture with respect to the property deposited with the Trustee and payable to any of them (and the Trustee, on demand of and at the expense of the Issuer, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture),

when:

(a) either:

(i) all Notes theretofore authenticated and delivered to Holders of Notes (other than (A) Notes that have been destroyed, lost or stolen and which have been replaced or paid as provided in Section 2.7 and (B) Notes for whose payment money has theretofore irrevocably been deposited in trust and thereafter repaid to the Issuer or discharged from the trust, as provided in Section 7.3), have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation; or

(ii) all Notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation

(A) have become payable, or

(B) will become payable at their Stated Maturity within one year, or

(C) are to be called for redemption pursuant to Article 9 under an arrangement satisfactory to the Trustee for the giving of notice of redemption by the Applicable Issuers pursuant to Section 9.3,

and the Issuer has irrevocably deposited with the Trustee, in trust for payment of the principal and interest on the Notes, Cash or non-callable obligations of the United States of America. The obligations deposited under Section 4.1(a)(ii) with respect to the other Notes must be entitled to the full faith and credit of the United States of America or be debt obligations that are rated "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, in an amount sufficient, as verified by a firm of Independent certified public accountants that are nationally recognized, to pay and discharge the entire indebtedness on the Notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation, for principal and interest to the date of the deposit (in the case of Notes that have become payable), or to the respective Stated Maturity or the respective Redemption Date, as the case may be, and the Issuer shall have Granted to the Trustee a valid perfected security interest in the Eligible Investment that is of first priority, free of any adverse claim, and shall have furnished an Opinion of Counsel with respect thereto. Section 4.1(a)(ii) shall not apply if an election to act in accordance with Section 5.5(a) has been made and not rescinded. In addition, the Issuer shall cause delivery to the Trustee of an Opinion of Counsel of Independent U.S. tax counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters to the effect that the Noteholders would recognize no income, gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of the deposit and satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture;

(b) the Issuer has paid all other sums then payable under this Indenture by the Issuer and no other amounts are scheduled to be payable by the Issuer; and

(c) the Co-Issuers have delivered to the Trustee Officer's certificates and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent in this Indenture provided for relating to the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture have been complied with.

Notwithstanding the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture, the rights and obligations of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Servicer and, if applicable, the Noteholders, as the case may be, under Sections 2.8, 4.2, 5.4(d), 5.9, 5.18, 6.7, 6.8, 7.1, 7.3, 13.1, and 14.14 shall survive.

**Section 4.2.     *Application of Trust Money.***

All monies deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 4.1 shall be held in trust for the Person entitled to it and applied by the Trustee in accordance with the Notes and this Indenture, including the Priority of Payments, to the payment of principal and interest, either directly or through any Paying Agent, as the Trustee may determine. The money shall be held in a segregated non-interest bearing trust account identified as being held in trust for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

**Section 4.3.     *Repayment of Monies Held by Paying Agent.***

In connection with the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture with respect to the Notes, all monies then held by any Paying Agent other than the Trustee under this Indenture shall, upon demand of the Co-Issuers, be paid to the Trustee to be held and applied pursuant to Section 7.3 and in accordance with the Priority of Payments and thereupon the Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to the monies.

**ARTICLE 5**

**REMEDIES**

**Section 5.1.     *Events of Default.***

"***Event of Default***," wherever used in this Indenture, means any one of the following events whatever the reason:

(a) a default for four Business Days in the payment of any interest on any Class of Notes that is currently part of the Controlling Class when it becomes payable (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, the Irish Paying Agent or the Indenture Registrar, after seven Business Days);

(b) a default in the payment of principal (including Deferred Interest) of any Note, when the same becomes payable, at its Stated Maturity or on the Redemption Date;

(c) the failure on any Payment Date to disburse amounts available in the Payment Account in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the failure continues for three Business Days;

(d) on any Measurement Date for so long as any Class A Notes are Outstanding, the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Pledged Obligations is less than 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes;

(e) either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral becomes an investment company under the Investment Company Act;

(f) breach of any other covenant or other agreement of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture (other than any failure to satisfy any of the Collateral Quality Tests, any of the Concentration Limitations, any of the Coverage Tests, the Retention Overcollateralization Test, or

other covenants or agreements for which a specific remedy has been provided in this Section 5.1) in any material respect, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant thereto, or in connection therewith, to be correct in any material respect when made, and the breach or failure continues for 30 days after either of the Co-Issuers has actual knowledge of it or after notice to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, and the Servicer by the Trustee or to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class by registered or certified mail or overnight courier specifying the breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that the notice is a "Notice of Default" under this Indenture;

(g) the entry of a decree or order by a court having competent jurisdiction adjudging the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, or composition of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, and if the decree or order remains unstayed and in effect for 45 consecutive days;

(h) the institution by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of Proceedings to have the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as the case may be, adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings against the Issuer or Co-Issuer, or the filing by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Bankruptcy Law or any other similar applicable law, or the consent by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or the taking of any action by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in furtherance of any such action; or

(i) one or more final judgments is rendered against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer that exceed in the aggregate U.S.\$2,000,000 (or any lesser amount specified by any Rating Agency) and that remain unstayed, undischarged, and unsatisfied for 30 days after the judgments become nonappealable, unless adequate funds have been reserved or set aside for their payment, and unless (except as otherwise specified in writing by Moody's) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereon.

**Section 5.2. *Notice of Event of Default; Acceleration of Maturity; Rescission and Annulment.***

(a) Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Trustee shall give prompt (and in no event later than five Business Days after becoming aware of such event) notice thereof to the Noteholders.

(b) If an Event of Default is continuing (other than an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h)), the Trustee may, with consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class, and shall, upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, declare the principal of all the Notes to be immediately payable by notice to the Applicable Issuers and the Noteholders, and upon that declaration the unpaid principal of all the Notes, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), and other amounts payable under this Indenture, shall become immediately payable. The Replacement Period shall terminate upon a declaration of acceleration (subject to re-commencement pursuant to Section 5.2(c)). If an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h) occurs, all unpaid principal, together with all its

accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), of all the Notes, and other amounts payable under this Indenture, shall automatically become payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any Noteholder and the Replacement Period shall terminate automatically (subject to re-commencement pursuant to Section 5.2(c)).

(c) At any time after the declaration of acceleration of maturity has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may rescind the declaration and its consequences:

(i) The Issuer or the Co-Issuer has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:

(A) all unpaid installments of interest and principal on the Notes then due;

(B) to the extent that payment of the interest is lawful, interest on any Deferred Interest and Defaulted Interest at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable;

(C) all Administrative Expenses of the Co-Issuers and other sums paid or advanced by the Trustee under this Indenture;

(D) all unpaid Senior Servicing Fees;

(E) all amounts then payable to any Hedge Counterparty; and

(ii) The Trustee has determined that all Events of Default, other than the non-payment of the interest on or principal of the Notes, have been (A) cured, and a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Trustee has agreed with that determination, or (B) waived as provided in Section 5.14.

No such rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right consequent thereon. The Issuer shall not terminate any Hedge Agreement at any time after a declaration of acceleration of Maturity of the Notes has been made, unless such declaration and its consequences may no longer be rescinded and annulled in accordance with this Section 5.2(c) and liquidation of the Collateral has begun.

If a declaration of acceleration is rescinded as described above:

(x) the Replacement Period, if terminated by the declaration, shall re-commence on the date of the rescission (unless the Replacement Period would have otherwise terminated before that date pursuant to clauses (i), (ii), or (iii) of its definition); and

(y) the Trustee shall retain the Collateral in accordance with this Indenture. If the retention of the Collateral is rescinded pursuant to Section 5.5, the Notes may again be accelerated pursuant to Section 5.2(b), notwithstanding any previous rescission of a declaration of acceleration pursuant to this Section 5.2(c)).

No rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right resulting from the Default.

(d) Notwithstanding anything in this Section 5.2 to the contrary, the Notes will not be subject to acceleration by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class or any other Holders solely as a result of the failure to pay any amount due on Notes that are not of the Controlling Class.

**Section 5.3. *Collection of Indebtedness and Suits for Enforcement by Trustee.***

The Applicable Issuers covenant that if a default occurs in the payment of any principal of or interest when payable on any Note, upon demand of the Trustee or the Holder of any affected Note, the Applicable Issuers shall pay to the Trustee, for the benefit of the Holder of the Note, the whole amount then payable on the Note for principal and interest with interest on the overdue principal and, to the extent that payments of the interest shall be legally enforceable, on overdue installments of interest and all other amounts owing to the Noteholders under this Indenture, at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable, and, in addition, an amount sufficient to cover the costs and expenses of collection, including the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee and the Holders and their agents and counsel.

If the Issuer or the Co-Issuer fails to pay those amounts immediately on demand, the Trustee, in its own name and as Trustee of an express trust, may, and shall at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, institute a Proceeding for the collection of the sums due, may prosecute the Proceeding to judgment or final decree, and may enforce the same against the Applicable Issuers or any other obligor on the Notes and collect the monies determined to be payable in the manner provided by law out of the Collateral.

If an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee may, and shall upon written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, proceed to protect and enforce its rights and the rights of the Noteholders by any appropriate Proceedings as is deemed most effective (if no direction is received by the Trustee) or as the Trustee may be directed by a Majority of the Controlling Class, to protect and enforce the rights of the Trustee and the Noteholders, whether for the specific enforcement of any agreement in this Indenture or in aid of the exercise of any power granted in this Indenture, or to enforce any other proper remedy or legal or equitable right vested in the Trustee by this Indenture or by law. The reasonable compensation, costs, expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or paid by the Trustee and its agents and counsel, in connection with such Proceeding, including, without limitation, the exercise of any remedies pursuant to Section 5.4, shall be reimbursed to the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.8.

If any Proceedings are pending relating to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any other obligor on the Notes under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law, or if a receiver, assignee, or trustee in bankruptcy or reorganization, liquidator, sequestrator or similar official has been appointed for or taken possession of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or their respective property or any other obligor on the Notes or its property, or if any other comparable Proceedings are pending relating to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or other obligor on the Notes, or the creditors or property of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or other obligor on the Notes, the Trustee, regardless of whether the principal of any Notes is then payable by declaration or otherwise and regardless of whether the Trustee has made any demand pursuant to this Section 5.3, may, by intervention in the Proceedings or otherwise:

(a) file and prove claims for the whole amount of principal and interest owing and unpaid in respect of the Notes, and file any other papers or documents appropriate and take any other appropriate action (including sitting on a committee of creditors) to have the claims of the Trustee (including any claim for reasonable compensation to the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, and their respective agents, attorneys, and counsel, and for reimbursement of all expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, except as a result of

negligence or bad faith) and of the Noteholders allowed in any Proceedings relating to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or other obligor on the Notes or to the creditors or property of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or other obligor on the Notes;

(b) unless prohibited by applicable law, vote on behalf of the Noteholders in any election of a trustee or a standby trustee in arrangement, reorganization, liquidation or other bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings or Person performing similar functions in comparable Proceedings; and

(c) collect and receive any monies or other property payable to or deliverable on any such claims, and distribute all amounts received with respect to the claims of the Noteholders and of the Trustee on their behalf; and any trustee, receiver or liquidator, custodian or other similar official is authorized by each of the Noteholders to make payments to the Trustee, and, if the Trustee consents to making payments directly to the Noteholders, to pay to the Trustee amounts sufficient to cover reasonable compensation to the Trustee, each predecessor Trustee, and their respective agents, attorneys, and counsel, and all other reasonable expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee except as a result of negligence or bad faith.

Nothing in this Indenture shall authorize the Trustee to authorize or consent to or vote for or accept or adopt on behalf of the Holder of any Note, any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition affecting the Notes or any Noteholder, or to authorize the Trustee to vote on the claim of the Holder of any Note in any Proceeding except, as aforesaid, to vote for the election of a trustee in bankruptcy or similar Person.

Notwithstanding anything in this Section 5.3 to the contrary, the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Collateral or institute Proceedings in furtherance of the sale or liquidation of the Collateral pursuant to this Section 5.3 except according to Section 5.5(a).

#### Section 5.4. ***Remedies.***

(a) If an Event of Default is continuing, and the Notes have been declared payable and the declaration and its consequences have not been rescinded, or at any time after the Stated Maturity, the Co-Issuers agree that the Trustee may, and shall, upon written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, to the extent permitted by applicable law, exercise one or more of the following rights:

(i) institute Proceedings for the collection of all amounts then payable on the Notes or otherwise payable under this Indenture, whether by declaration or otherwise, enforce any judgment obtained, and collect from the Collateral any monies adjudged due;

(ii) sell or liquidate all or a portion of the Collateral or interests in it, at one or more public or private sales called and conducted in any manner permitted by law and in accordance with Section 5.17;

(iii) institute Proceedings from time to time for the complete or partial foreclosure of this Indenture with respect to the Collateral;

(iv) exercise any remedies of a secured party under the UCC and take any other appropriate action to protect and enforce the rights of the Trustee and the Noteholders under this Indenture; and

(v) exercise any other rights that may be available at law or in equity;

*except* that the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Collateral or institute Proceedings in furtherance of the sale or liquidation of the Collateral pursuant to this Section 5.4 except according to Section 5.5(a).

(b) If an Event of Default as described in Section 5.1(f) is continuing the Trustee may, with the consent of, and shall, at the direction of, the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, subject to Section 5.8, institute a Proceeding solely to compel performance of the covenant or agreement or to cure the representation or warranty, the breach of which gave rise to the Event of Default under Section 5.1(f), and enforce any equitable decree or order arising from the Proceeding.

(c) Upon any sale, whether made under the power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, any Holders or the Servicer (subject to the Servicing Agreement) may bid for and purchase any part of the Collateral and, upon compliance with the terms of sale, may hold, retain, possess, or dispose of the Collateral in its or their own absolute right without accountability.

Upon any sale, whether made under the power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, the receipt of the Trustee, or of the Officer making a sale under judicial Proceedings, shall be a sufficient discharge to the purchasers at any sale for their purchase money, and the purchasers shall not be obliged to see to its application.

Any sale, whether under any power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, shall bind the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Noteholders, shall operate to divest all interest whatsoever, either at law or in equity, of each of them in the property sold, and shall be a perpetual bar, both at law and in equity, against each of them and their successors and assigns, and against all Persons claiming through or under them.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, none of the Trustee, the Secured Parties or the Noteholders may, before the date that is one year and one day (or if longer, any applicable preference period plus one day) after the payment in full of all Notes, institute against, or join any other Person in instituting against, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium, or liquidation Proceedings, or other Proceedings under the Bankruptcy Law or any similar laws in any jurisdiction. Nothing in this Section 5.4 shall preclude the Trustee or any Secured Party (i) from taking any action before the expiration of that period in (A) any case or Proceeding voluntarily filed or commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or (B) any involuntary insolvency Proceeding filed or commenced by a Person other than a Secured Party or (ii) from commencing against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any of its properties any legal action that is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation Proceeding.

#### Section 5.5. *Optional Retention of Collateral.*

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Indenture, if an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall retain the Collateral, collect, and cause the collection of the proceeds of the Collateral and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Collateral and the Notes, and any Hedge Agreements (other than amounts received under a Hedge Agreement that are used in putting a Replacement Hedge in place), in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Article 10 and Article 12 unless:

(i) the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, determines that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would be sufficient to



discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) of Section 11.1(a)(i) and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination; or

(ii) the Holders of a Super Majority of each of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral.

The Trustee shall give written notice of the retention of the Collateral to the Issuer with a copy to the Co-Issuer and the Servicer. So long as the Event of Default is continuing, any retention pursuant to this Section 5.5(a) may be rescinded at any time when the conditions specified in clause (i) or (ii) exist.

(b) Nothing contained in Section 5.5(a) shall be construed to require the Trustee to sell the Collateral if the conditions in clause (i) or (ii) of Section 5.5(a) are not satisfied. Nothing contained in Section 5.5(a) shall be construed to require the Trustee to retain the Collateral if prohibited by applicable law.

(c) In determining whether the condition specified in Section 5.5(a)(i) exists, the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, shall obtain bid prices with respect to each security contained in the Collateral from two nationally recognized dealers (or if there is only one market maker, that market maker and if there is no market maker, from a pricing service) selected and specified by the Servicer to the Trustee in writing, at the time making a market in those securities, and shall compute the anticipated proceeds of sale or liquidation on the basis of the lower of the bid prices for each security. In addition, for the purposes of determining issues relating to the valuation of the Collateral, the satisfaction of the conditions specified in this Indenture, the execution of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral, and the execution of a sale or other liquidation of the Collateral in connection with a determination whether the condition specified in Section 5.5(a)(i) exists, the Trustee may retain, at the Issuer's expense, and rely on an opinion of an Independent investment banking firm of national reputation, which may be any of the Placement Agents.

The Trustee shall deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Noteholders, the Co-Issuers, the Servicer and the Hedge Counterparties a report stating the results of any determination required pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i). The Trustee shall make the determinations required by Section 5.5(a)(i) after an Event of Default at the request of a Majority of the Controlling Class at any time during which the Trustee retains the Collateral pursuant to Section 5.5(a). The Trustee shall obtain (at the Issuer's expense) a letter of a firm of Independent certified public accountants confirming the accuracy of each calculation made by the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) and certifying their conformity to the requirements of this Indenture.

(d) Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, the Trustee may not, and the Noteholders representing the requisite percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes specified in Section 5.4 or 5.5, may not instruct the Trustee to sell or liquidate or (except in connection with the concurrent execution of a Replacement Hedge) terminate any Hedge Agreement during the continuance of an Event of Default until all Collateral other than the Hedge Agreements has been sold or liquidated and its proceeds applied in accordance with this Indenture.

(e) Collateral may not be sold or liquidated pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) after the last date on which the sale or liquidation is permitted under Section 5.5(a)(i) with respect to a determination made pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) (the last permitted date being determined by the Trustee under Section 5.5(a)(i)), unless a new determination is made in accordance with Section 5.5(a)(i) and the Collateral is sold or liquidated before the last sale date permitted in accordance with the new determination.

**Section 5.6. *Trustee May Enforce Claims Without Possession of Notes.***

All rights of action and claims under this Indenture or under any of the Notes may be prosecuted and enforced by the Trustee without the possession of any of the Notes or their production in any trial or other Proceeding relating to them, and any Proceeding instituted by the Trustee shall be brought in its own name as trustee of an express trust, and any recovery of judgment shall be applied as provided in Section 5.7.

In any Proceedings brought by the Trustee (and any Proceedings involving the interpretation of any provision of this Indenture to which the Trustee shall be a party) the Trustee shall be held to represent all the Noteholders.

**Section 5.7. *Application of Money Collected.***

Any money collected by the Trustee with respect to the Notes pursuant to this Article 5 and any money that may then be held or subsequently received by the Trustee with respect to the Notes under this Indenture shall be applied, subject to Section 13.1 and in accordance with Section 11.1, at the dates fixed by the Trustee.

**Section 5.8. *Limitation on Suits.***

No Holder of any Note shall have any right to institute any Proceedings, judicial or otherwise, with respect to this Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy under this Indenture, unless:

(a) the Holder has previously given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default;

(b) the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute Proceedings with respect to the Event of Default in its own name as Trustee under this Indenture and the Holders have offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with the request;

(c) the Trustee for 30 days after its receipt of the notice, request and offer of indemnity has failed to institute a Proceeding; and

(d) no direction inconsistent with the written request has been given to the Trustee during the 30 day period by a Majority of the Controlling Class.

No Noteholder shall have any right in any manner whatsoever by virtue of, or by availing of, any provision of this Indenture to affect the rights of any other Noteholders of the same Class or to obtain or to seek to obtain priority or preference over any other Holders of Notes of the same Class or to enforce any right under this Indenture, except in the manner provided in this Indenture and for

the equal and ratable benefit of all the Holders of Notes of the same Class subject to and in accordance with Section 13.1 and the Priority of Payments or Section 11.2, as the case may be.

If the Trustee receives conflicting or inconsistent requests and indemnity from two or more groups of Holders of the Controlling Class, each representing less than a Majority of the Controlling Class, the Trustee shall take the action requested by the Holders of the largest percentage in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, notwithstanding any other provisions of this Indenture but subject to Section 6.3(e).

**Section 5.9. *Unconditional Rights of Noteholders.***

Notwithstanding any provision of this Indenture other than this Section 5.9 and Sections 2.8(i), 5.4(d), and 13.1, the Holder of any Note shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive payment of the principal of and interest on the Note as it comes due in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Section 13.1, and, subject to Section 5.8, to institute proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment, and that right shall not be impaired without the consent of the Holder. Noteholders ranking junior to Notes still Outstanding may not institute proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment until no Note ranking senior to their Note remains Outstanding, subject to Section 5.8, and shall not be impaired without the consent of any such Holder. For so long as any Notes are Outstanding, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be entitled to any payment of any amount for payments to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, on a claim against the Issuer unless there are sufficient funds to pay such amounts to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

**Section 5.10. *Restoration of Rights and Remedies.***

If the Trustee or the Holder of any Note has instituted any Proceeding to enforce any right under this Indenture and the Proceeding has been discontinued or abandoned for any reason, or has been determined adversely to the Trustee or to the Holder, then, subject to any determination in the Proceeding, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Holder shall be restored to their former positions under this Indenture, and thereafter all rights of the Trustee and the Holder shall continue as though no Proceeding had been instituted.

**Section 5.11. *Rights and Remedies Cumulative.***

No right in this Indenture conferred on or reserved to the Trustee or to the Noteholders is intended to be exclusive of any other right, and every right shall, to the extent permitted by law, be cumulative and in addition to every other right given under this Indenture or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or otherwise. The assertion or employment of any right under this Indenture, or otherwise, shall not prevent the concurrent assertion or employment of any other appropriate right.

**Section 5.12. *Delay or Omission Not Waiver.***

No delay or omission of the Trustee or the Holder of any Note to exercise any right accruing upon any Event of Default shall impair the right or be a waiver of the Event of Default or an acquiescence in it or of a subsequent Event of Default. Every right given by this Article 5 or by law to the Trustee or to the Noteholders may be exercised from time to time, and as often as deemed expedient, by the Trustee or by the applicable Noteholders.

**Section 5.13. Control by Majority of the Controlling Class.**

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, during the continuance of an Event of Default, a Majority of the Controlling Class may institute and direct the time, method and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any right of the Trustee with respect to the Notes if:

(i) the direction does not conflict with any rule of law or with any express provision of this Indenture; and

(ii) the Trustee has been indemnified to its reasonable satisfaction (and the Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability unless it has received an indemnity against the liability).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, only a Majority of the Controlling Class may direct proceedings with respect to remedies specified in Section 5.4(a) or otherwise with respect to the Collateral.

(b) The Trustee may take any other action deemed proper by the Trustee that is not inconsistent with a direction under Section 5.13(a). Subject to Section 6.1, the Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability (unless the Trustee has received an indemnity against the liabilities reasonably satisfactory to it) and during the continuance of an Event of Default that has not been cured, or waived, the Trustee shall, before receiving directions from a Majority of the Controlling Class, exercise the rights expressly vested in it by this Indenture and use the same degree of care and skill in their exercise with respect to the Event of Default as is required by Section 6.1(b).

(c) Any direction to the Trustee to undertake a Sale of the Collateral shall be in accordance with Section 5.4 or 5.5.

**Section 5.14. Waiver of Past Defaults.**

Before a judgment or decree for payment of any money due has been obtained by the Trustee, as provided in this Article 5, a Majority of the Controlling Class may on behalf of the Holders of all the Notes, with respect to the Notes waive any past Default and its consequences, except a Default:

(a) in the payment of the principal or Redemption Price of any Note or in the payment of interest (including Defaulted Interest, Deferred Interest, and any interest on Defaulted Interest or Deferred Interest) on the Notes;

(b) with respect to a provision of this Indenture that under Section 8.2 cannot be modified or amended without the waiver or consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected by the modification or amendment;

(c) in the payment of amounts due to the Servicer, the Trustee or the Hedge Counterparty, which may only be waived with the consent of the affected party; or

(d) arising as a result of an Event of Default described in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h).

Upon any such waiver, the Default shall cease to exist, and any Event of Default arising from it shall be cured, for every purpose of this Indenture, but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other Default or impair any right consequent thereto. The Trustee shall promptly give

written notice of any such waiver to the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Noteholder.

**Section 5.15. *Undertaking for Costs.***

All parties to this Indenture agree, and each Holder of any Note by its acceptance of its Note agrees, that in any suit for the enforcement of any right under this Indenture, or in any suit against the Trustee or the Servicer for any action taken or omitted by it as Trustee or for any action taken or omitted by the Servicer, as applicable, any court may in its discretion require the filing by any party litigant in the suit of an undertaking to pay the costs of the suit, and that the court may in its discretion assess reasonable costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, against any party litigant in the suit, having due regard to the merits and good faith of the claims or defenses made by the party litigant. This Section 5.15 shall not apply to any suit instituted by the Trustee or the Servicer, to any suit instituted by any Holder, or group of Holders, of Notes holding in the aggregate more than 10% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, or to any suit instituted by any Noteholder for the enforcement of the payment of the principal of or interest on any Note or any other amount payable under this Indenture after the applicable Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, after the applicable Redemption Date).

**Section 5.16. *Waiver of Stay or Extension Laws.***

To the extent that they may lawfully do so, the Co-Issuers covenant that they will not at any time insist on, or plead, or in any manner whatsoever claim or take the benefit or advantage of, any stay or extension law or any valuation, appraisal, redemption, or marshalling law or rights, in each case wherever enacted, now or at any time hereafter in force, that may affect the covenants, the performance of, or any remedies under this Indenture. To the extent that they may lawfully do so, the Co-Issuers expressly waive all benefit or advantage of any such law or rights, and covenant that they shall not delay or impede the execution of any power in this Indenture granted to the Trustee or the Noteholders but will permit the execution of every power as though the law had not been enacted or rights created.

**Section 5.17. *Sale of Collateral.***

(a) The power to effect any sale (a "*Sale*") of any portion of the Collateral pursuant to Sections 5.4 and 5.5 shall not be exhausted by any one or more Sales as to any portion of the Collateral remaining unsold, but shall continue unimpaired until the entire Collateral is sold or all amounts secured by the Collateral have been paid. The Trustee may upon notice to the Noteholders and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), and shall, at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class with respect to Collateral, from time to time postpone any Sale by public announcement made at the time and place of the Sale. The Trustee waives its rights to any amount fixed by law as compensation for any Sale. The Trustee may deduct the reasonable expenses (including the reasonable fees and expenses of its agents and attorneys) incurred by it in connection with a Sale from its proceeds notwithstanding Section 6.8.

(b) The Trustee may bid for and acquire any portion of the Collateral in connection with a public Sale of the Collateral, and may pay all or part of the purchase price by crediting against amounts owing on the Notes or other amounts secured by the Collateral all or part of the net proceeds of the Sale after deducting the reasonable expenses incurred by the Trustee in connection with the Sale notwithstanding Section 6.8. The Notes need not be produced to complete any Sale, or for the net proceeds of the Sale to be credited against amounts owing on the Notes. The Trustee may hold, lease, operate, manage or otherwise deal with any property so acquired in any manner permitted by law in accordance with this Indenture.

(c) If any portion of the Collateral consists of securities issued without registration under the Securities Act ("**Unregistered Securities**"), the Trustee may seek an Opinion of Counsel, or, if no Opinion of Counsel can be obtained, seek a no action position from the Securities and Exchange Commission or any other relevant federal or state regulatory authorities, regarding the legality of a public or private Sale of the Unregistered Securities.

(d) The Trustee shall execute and deliver an appropriate instrument of transfer transferring its interest in any portion of the Collateral in connection with its Sale. In addition, the Trustee is irrevocably appointed the agent and attorney-in-fact of the Issuer to transfer its interest in any portion of the Collateral in connection with its Sale, and to take all action necessary to effect the Sale. No purchaser or transferee at a Sale shall be bound to ascertain the Trustee's authority, to inquire into the satisfaction of any conditions precedent, or see to the application of any monies.

**Section 5.18. *Action on the Notes.***

The Trustee's right to seek and recover judgment on the Notes or under this Indenture shall not be affected by the seeking or obtaining of or application for any other relief under or with respect to this Indenture. Neither the lien of this Indenture nor any rights or remedies of the Trustee or the Noteholders shall be impaired by the recovery of any judgment by the Trustee against the Issuer or by the levy of any execution under the judgment on any portion of the Collateral or on any of the assets of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

**ARTICLE 6**

**THE TRUSTEE**

**Section 6.1. *Certain Duties and Responsibilities.***

(a) Except during the continuance of an Event of Default:

(i) the Trustee undertakes to perform the duties and only the duties specifically provided in this Indenture, and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Indenture against the Trustee; and

(ii) in the absence of bad faith on its part, the Trustee may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements and the correctness of the opinions expressed therein, on certificates or opinions furnished to the Trustee and conforming to the requirements of this Indenture; the Trustee shall examine any certificates or opinions that by any provision of this Indenture are specifically required to be furnished to the Trustee to determine whether or not they substantially conform on their face to the requirements of this Indenture and shall promptly notify the party delivering the same if the certificate or opinion does not conform. If a corrected form has not been delivered to the Trustee within 15 days after the notice from the Trustee, the Trustee shall so notify the Noteholders and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares).

(b) If the Trustee has actual knowledge that an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall, before the receipt of directions from a Majority of the Controlling Class, exercise the rights and powers vested in it by this Indenture, and use the same degree of care and skill in its exercise, as a prudent Person would use under the circumstances in the conduct of the Person's own affairs.

(c) No provision of this Indenture shall be construed to relieve the Trustee from liability for its own negligent action, its own negligent failure to act or its own willful misconduct, except that:

(i) this subsection shall not be construed to limit the effect of subsection (a) of this Section 6.1;

(ii) the Trustee shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by a Trust Officer, unless it is proven that the Trustee was negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts;

(iii) the Trustee shall not be liable with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in good faith in accordance with the direction of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or the Servicer in accordance with this Indenture or a Majority (or the other percentage required or permitted by this Indenture) of the Controlling Class (or other Class if required or permitted by this Indenture) relating to the time, method, and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred on the Trustee, under this Indenture; and

(iv) no provision of this Indenture shall require the Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any financial liability in the performance of any of its duties under this Indenture, or in the exercise of any of its rights contemplated under this Indenture, if it has reasonable grounds for believing that repayment of the funds or indemnity satisfactory to it against the risk or liability is not reasonably assured to it; provided that the reasonable costs of performing its ordinary services under this Indenture shall not be deemed a "financial liability" for purposes hereof.

(d) For all purposes under this Indenture, the Trustee shall not have notice or knowledge of any Event of Default described in Section 5.1(d) through 5.1(i) or any Default described in Section 5.1(e) through 5.1(i) unless a Trust Officer assigned to and working in the Corporate Trust Office has actual knowledge of it or unless written notice of any event that is in fact the an Event of Default or Default is received by the Trustee at the Corporate Trust Office, and the notice references the Notes generally, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Collateral or this Indenture. For purposes of determining the Trustee's responsibility and liability under this Indenture, whenever reference is made in this Indenture to an Event of Default or a Default, the reference shall be construed to refer only to an Event of Default or Default of which the Trustee has notice as described in this Section 6.1.

(e) Whether or not therein expressly so provided, every provision of this Indenture relating to the conduct or affecting the liability of or affording protection to the Trustee shall be subject to this Section 6.1 and Section 6.3.

#### Section 6.2. *Notice of Default.*

Promptly (and in no event later than five Business Days) after the occurrence of any Default known to the Trustee or after any declaration of acceleration has been made or delivered to the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.2, the Trustee shall transmit notice of all Defaults under this Indenture known to the Trustee, unless the Default has been cured or waived, and of the declaration by mail to the Servicer and the Co-Issuers, each Rating Agency, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and to all Noteholders, as their names and addresses appear on the Indenture Register, the Irish Stock Exchange, for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, and, upon

written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee).

Section 6.3. *Certain Rights of Trustee.*

Except as otherwise provided in Section 6.1:

(a) the Trustee may rely and shall be protected in acting or refraining from acting on any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, note, or other paper or document (including but not limited to any reports prepared and delivered under Article 10) believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties;

(b) any request or direction of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer mentioned in this Indenture shall be sufficiently evidenced by an Issuer Request or Issuer Order;

(c) whenever in the administration of this Indenture the Trustee

(i) deems it desirable that a matter be proved or established before taking, suffering, or omitting any action under this Indenture, the Trustee may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely on an Officer's certificate (unless other evidence is specifically prescribed in this Indenture) or

(ii) is required to determine the value of, or any other matter with respect to, any Collateral or funds under this Indenture or the cash flows projected to be received therefrom, the Trustee may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely on reports of nationally recognized accountants, investment bankers or other persons qualified to provide the information required to make the determination, including nationally recognized dealers in securities of the type being valued and securities quotation services;

(d) as a condition to taking or omitting to take any action under this Indenture, the Trustee may consult with counsel and the advice of the counsel or any Opinion of Counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection with respect to any action taken or omitted by it under this Indenture in good faith and in reliance thereon;

(e) the Trustee need not exercise any of the rights or powers vested in it by this Indenture at the request or direction of any of the Noteholders pursuant to this Indenture, unless the Holders have offered to the Trustee security or indemnity satisfactory to it against the costs and liabilities that might reasonably be incurred by it in compliance with the request or direction;

(f) the Trustee need not make any investigation into the facts or matters stated in any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, note or other paper or document, but the Trustee, in its discretion, may, and upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, subject to Section 6.3(e), shall, make any the further inquiry or investigation into the facts or matters that it deems appropriate or as it is directed, and the Trustee shall be entitled, on reasonable prior notice to the Co-Issuers and the Servicer, to examine the books and records relating to the Notes, the Collateral, personally or by agent or attorney, during the Co-Issuers' or the Servicer's normal business hours. The Trustee shall, and shall cause its agents to, hold in confidence all such information, except to the extent (i) disclosure may be required by law by any regulatory or administrative authority and (ii) that the Trustee, in its sole judgment, determines that disclosure is consistent with its obligations under this Indenture; provided, however,



that the Trustee may disclose on a confidential basis any such information to its agents, attorneys and auditors in connection with the performance of its responsibilities hereunder;

(g) the Trustee may execute any of the trusts or powers under this Indenture or perform any duties under this Indenture either directly or by or through agents or attorneys, and the Trustee shall not be responsible for any misconduct or negligence on the part of any non-Affiliated agent, or non-Affiliated attorney, appointed with due care by it under this Indenture;

(h) the Trustee shall not be liable for any action it takes or omits to take in good faith that it reasonably believes to be authorized or within its rights or powers under this Indenture;

(i) nothing in this Indenture shall be construed to impose an obligation on the Trustee to recalculate, evaluate, or verify any report, certificate or information received from the Issuer or Servicer;

(j) the Trustee may request and receive (and rely on) instruction from the Issuer, the Servicer, or the accountants identified in the Accountants' Certificate (and in the absence of its receipt of timely instruction from them, may obtain from an Independent accountant at the expense of the Issuer) as to the application of GAAP to the extent any defined term in this Indenture, or any calculation required to be made or determined by the Trustee under this Indenture, is dependent on or defined by reference to United States generally accepted accounting principles ("*GAAP*"), in any instance;

(k) the permissive rights of the Trustee to take or refrain from taking any actions enumerated in this Indenture are not duties;

(l) the Trustee is not responsible for the accuracy of the books and records of, or for any acts or omissions of, the Depository, any Transfer Agent, Custodian, Securities Intermediary, Collateral Administrator, Clearstream, Euroclear, Calculation Agent or any Paying Agent (in each case, other than the Bank acting in that capacity);

(m) in purchasing or disposing of any asset permitted by this Indenture, the Trustee is authorized to deal with itself (in its individual capacity) or with any one or more of its Affiliates, whether it or the Affiliate is acting as a subagent of the Trustee or for any third Person or dealing as principal for its own account. If otherwise qualified, obligations of the Bank or any of its Affiliates shall qualify as Eligible Investments under this Indenture; and

(n) if the Bank is also acting in the capacity of Paying Agent, Transfer Agent, Custodian, Calculation Agent or Securities Intermediary under this Indenture, the rights protections, immunities, and indemnities afforded to the Trustee pursuant to this Article 6 shall also be afforded to the Bank acting in those capacities.

#### Section 6.4. *Not Responsible for Recitals or Issuance of the Notes.*

The recitals contained in this Indenture and in the Notes, other than the Certificate of Authentication, shall be taken as the statements of the Applicable Issuers. The Trustee assumes no responsibility for their correctness. The Trustee makes no representation as to the validity or sufficiency of this Indenture (except as may be made with respect to the validity of the Trustee's obligations under this Indenture), the Collateral or the Notes. The Trustee shall not be accountable for the use or application by the Co-Issuers of the Notes or their proceeds or any money paid to the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture.

**Section 6.5. *May Hold Notes.***

(a) The Trustee, any Paying Agent, Indenture Registrar or any other agent of the Co-Issuers, in its individual or any other capacity, may become the owner or pledgee of Notes and may otherwise deal with the Co-Issuers or any of their Affiliates with the same rights it would have if it were not Trustee, Paying Agent, Indenture Registrar or other agent.

**Section 6.6. *Acquisition of Class E Notes and Preference Shares***

The Trustee, in its individual or any other capacity, agrees that after the initial distribution of the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares, neither the Trustee nor any of its affiliates (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) will acquire any Class E Notes or Preference Shares (including pursuant to a Maturity Extension and the Amendment Buy-Out Option) unless such acquisition would not, as determined by the Trustee in reliance on representations made in the applicable transfer certificates with respect thereto, result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of any of the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such acquisition (determined in accordance with the Plan Asset Regulation, this Indenture and the Preference Share Documents). Any Class E Notes or Preference Shares held as principal by the Trustee or any of its affiliates shall be disregarded and shall not be treated as outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% limitation to the extent that such person has represented that it is not a Benefit Plan Investor.

**Section 6.7. *Money Held in Trust.***

Money held by the Trustee under this Indenture shall be held in trust to the extent required in this Indenture. The Trustee shall be under no liability for interest on any money received by it under this Indenture except as otherwise agreed on with the Issuer and except to the extent of income or other gain on assets that are deposits in or certificates of deposit of the Bank in its commercial capacity and income or other gain actually received by the Trustee on Eligible Investments. Under no circumstances shall the Trustee be responsible for any losses on assets purchased in accordance with an Issuer Order or a written order or request by the Servicer, unless such asset is purchased in an obligation of the Trustee in its corporate capacity.

**Section 6.8. *Compensation and Reimbursement.***

(a) The Issuer agrees:

(i) to pay the Trustee on each Payment Date reasonable compensation for all services rendered by it under this Indenture in accordance with its letter agreement with the Trustee (which compensation shall not be limited by any provision of law in regard to the compensation of a trustee of an express trust);

(ii) except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture or in its letter agreement with the Trustee, to reimburse the Trustee in a timely manner upon its request for all reasonable expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or made by the Trustee in accordance with this Indenture (including securities transaction charges and the reasonable compensation and expenses and disbursements of its agents and legal counsel and of any accounting firm or investment banking firm employed by the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.4, 5.5, 10.5 or 10.7, except any such expense, disbursement or advance attributable to its negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith) but with respect to securities transaction charges, only to the extent they have not been waived during a Due Period due to the

Trustee's receipt of a payment from a financial institution with respect to certain Eligible Investments, as specified by the Servicer;

(iii) to indemnify the Trustee and its officers, directors, employees and agents for any loss, liability or expense incurred without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith on their part, arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of this trust, including the costs and expenses of defending themselves (including reasonable attorney's fees and costs) against any claim or liability in connection with the exercise or performance of any of their powers or duties under this Indenture; and

(iv) to pay the Trustee reasonable additional compensation together with its expenses (including reasonable counsel fees and costs) for any collection action taken pursuant to Section 6.14.

(b) The Trustee shall receive amounts pursuant to this Section 6.8 as provided in Sections 11.1(a)(i) and (ii) but only to the extent that funds are available for their payment. Subject to Section 6.10, the Trustee shall continue to serve as Trustee under this Indenture notwithstanding the fact that the Trustee has not received amounts due to it under this Indenture. No direction by the Noteholders shall affect the right of the Trustee to collect amounts owed to it under this Indenture. If on any date when a fee is payable to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture insufficient funds are available for its payment any portion of a fee not so paid shall be deferred and payable on the next date on which a fee is payable and sufficient funds are available for it.

(c) The Trustee agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy for the non-payment to the Trustee of any amounts provided by this Section 6.8 until at least one year and one day, or if longer the applicable preference period then in effect plus one day, after the payment in full of all Notes issued under this Indenture and the payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent of all amounts payable with respect to the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Nothing in this Section 6.8(c) shall prohibit or otherwise prevent the Trustee from filing proofs of claim in any bankruptcy, insolvency or similar proceeding.

**Section 6.9. *Corporate Trustee Required; Eligibility.***

There shall at all times be a Trustee under this Indenture that is an Independent entity organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America or of any state of the United States, authorized under those laws to exercise corporate trust powers, having a combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000, subject to supervision or examination by federal or state banking authority, having a rating of at least "Baa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) by Moody's and at least "BBB+" by S&P, and having an office within the United States. In addition, the Trustee shall not be "affiliated" (within the meaning of Rule 405 under the Securities Act) with either of the Co-Issuers or any person involved in the organization or operation of either of the Co-Issuers and shall not provide credit or credit enhancement to either of the Co-Issuers. If the Trustee publishes reports of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or to the requirements of its supervising or examining authority, then for the purposes of this Section 6.9, the combined capital and surplus of the Trustee shall be its combined capital and surplus in its most recent published report of condition. If at any time the Trustee ceases to be eligible in accordance with this Section 6.9, it shall resign immediately in the manner and with the effect specified in Section 6.10.

Section 6.10. *Resignation and Removal; Appointment of Successor.*

(a) No resignation or removal of the Trustee and no appointment of a successor Trustee pursuant to this Article 6 shall become effective until the acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee under Section 6.11. The indemnification in favor of the Trustee shall survive any resignation or removal of the Trustee.

(b) The Trustee may resign at any time by giving not less than 30 days written notice to the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency. Upon receiving the notice of resignation, the Co-Issuers shall at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class promptly appoint a successor trustee satisfying the requirements of Section 6.9, by written instrument, in duplicate, executed by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer and an Authorized Officer of the Co-Issuer, one copy of which shall be delivered to the resigning Trustee and one copy to the successor Trustee, together with a copy to each Noteholder, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and the Servicer. If no successor Trustee has been appointed and an instrument of acceptance by a successor Trustee has not been delivered to the Trustee within 60 days after the giving of the notice of resignation, the resigning Trustee or any Noteholder, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee satisfying the requirements of Section 6.9.

(c) The Trustee may be removed (i) at any time by an Act of a Majority of the Controlling Class or (ii) by order of a court of competent jurisdiction, delivered to the Trustee and to the Co-Issuers.

(d) If at any time:

(i) the Trustee ceases to be eligible under Section 6.9 and fails to resign after written request by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class; or

(ii) the Trustee becomes incapable of acting or is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent or a receiver or liquidator of the Trustee or of its property appointed or any public officer takes charge or control of the Trustee or of its property or affairs for the purpose of rehabilitation, conservation or liquidation,

then, in any such case (subject to Section 6.10(a)), (A) the Co-Issuers, by Issuer Order (as directed by Board Resolution), may, and at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall, remove the Trustee or (B) subject to Section 5.15, or any Holder may, on behalf of itself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(e) If the Trustee is removed or becomes incapable of acting, or if a vacancy occurs in the office of the Trustee for any reason (other than resignation), the Co-Issuers, by Issuer Order (as directed by Board Resolution) or at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, shall promptly appoint a successor Trustee. If the Co-Issuers fail to appoint a successor Trustee within 60 days after the removal or incapability or the occurrence of the vacancy, a successor Trustee may be appointed by a Majority of the Controlling Class by written instrument delivered to the Issuer and the retiring Trustee. The successor Trustee so appointed shall, upon its acceptance of its appointment, become the successor Trustee and supersede any successor Trustee proposed by the

Co-Issuers. If no successor Trustee has been so appointed by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class and accepted appointment pursuant to Section 6.11, subject to Section 5.15, then the Trustee to be replaced, or any Holder, may, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(f) The Co-Issuers shall give prompt notice of each resignation and each removal of the Trustee and each appointment of a successor Trustee by mailing written notice of the event by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the Servicer, to each Rating Agency, to the Noteholders as their names and addresses appear in the Indenture Register, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares). Each notice shall include the name of the successor Trustee and the address of its Corporate Trust Office. If the Co-Issuers fail to mail the notice within ten days after acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee, the successor Trustee shall cause the notice to be given at the expense of the Co-Issuers.

**Section 6.11. *Acceptance of Appointment by Successor.***

Every successor Trustee appointed under this Indenture shall execute, acknowledge, and deliver to the Co-Issuers and the retiring Trustee an instrument accepting its appointment. Upon delivery of the required instruments, the resignation or removal of the retiring Trustee shall become effective and the successor Trustee, without any further act, shall become vested with all the rights and obligations of the retiring Trustee; but, on request of the Co-Issuers or a Majority of any Class of Notes or the successor Trustee, the retiring Trustee shall, upon payment of any amounts then due to it, execute and deliver an instrument transferring to the successor Trustee all the rights and obligations of the retiring Trustee, and shall duly assign, transfer and deliver to the successor Trustee all property and money held by the retiring Trustee under this Indenture. Upon request of any successor Trustee, the Co-Issuers shall execute any instruments to more fully and certainly vest in and confirm to the successor Trustee all the rights and obligations of the Trustee under this Indenture.

No successor Trustee shall accept its appointment unless at the time of its acceptance the successor is qualified and eligible under Section 6.9 and either (a) each Rating Agency has been notified and the successor has long-term debt rated within the four highest rating categories by each Rating Agency, or (b) if not rated within the four highest categories by each Rating Agency, the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto.

**Section 6.12. *Merger, Conversion, Consolidation, or Succession to Business of Trustee.***

Any entity into which the Trustee may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any entity resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Trustee is a party, or any entity succeeding to all or substantially all of the corporate trust business of the Trustee, shall be the successor of the Trustee under this Indenture (and of the Bank under all of its other capacities under this Indenture, including as Custodian, Securities Intermediary, Indenture Registrar and Paying Agent) without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto. If any of the Notes have been authenticated, but not delivered, by the Trustee then in office, any successor by merger, conversion or consolidation to the authenticating Trustee may adopt the authentication and deliver the Notes so authenticated with the same effect as if the successor Trustee had itself authenticated the Notes.

Section 6.13. ***Co-Trustees.***

At any time, to meet the legal requirements of any jurisdiction in which any part of the Collateral may at the time be located, the Co-Issuers and the Trustee may appoint a co-trustee (subject to the approval of the Rating Agencies) to act jointly with the Trustee, with respect to all or any part of the Collateral, with the power to file proofs of claim and take any other actions pursuant to Section 5.6 in this Indenture and to make claims and enforce rights of action on behalf of the Noteholders, as the Holders themselves have the right to do, subject to the other provisions of this Section 6.13.

The Co-Issuers shall join with the Trustee in the execution, delivery and performance of all instruments and agreements necessary or proper to appoint a co-trustee. If the Co-Issuers do not join in the appointment within 15 days after they receive a request to do so, the Trustee may make the appointment.

Any instruments to more fully confirm a co-trustee's appointment shall, on request, be executed, acknowledged and delivered by the Co-Issuers. The Co-Issuers agree to pay (but only from and to the extent of the Collateral), to the extent funds are available therefor under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1), any reasonable fees and expenses in connection with the appointment.

Every co-trustee shall, to the extent permitted by law, but to that extent only, be appointed subject to the following terms:

- (a) the Notes shall be authenticated and delivered and all rights and obligations under this Indenture in respect of the custody of securities, cash and other personal property held by, or required to be deposited or pledged with, the Trustee under this Indenture, shall be exercised solely by the Trustee;
- (b) the rights and obligations conferred or imposed on the Trustee in respect of any property covered by the appointment of a co-trustee shall be conferred or imposed on and exercised or performed by the Trustee or by the Trustee and the co-trustee jointly as provided in the instrument appointing the co-trustee;
- (c) the Trustee at any time, by an instrument in writing executed by it, with the concurrence of the Co-Issuers evidenced by an Issuer Order, may accept the resignation of or remove any co-trustee appointed under this Section 6.13, and if an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall have the power to accept the resignation of, or remove, any co-trustee without the concurrence of the Co-Issuers. A successor to any co-trustee so resigned or removed may be appointed in the manner provided in this Section 6.13;
- (d) no co-trustee under this Indenture shall be personally liable because of any act or omission of the Trustee under this Indenture;
- (e) the Trustee shall not be liable because of any act or omission of a co-trustee; and
- (f) any Act of Noteholders delivered to the Trustee shall be deemed to have been delivered to each co-trustee.

Section 6.14. ***Certain Duties of Trustee Related to Delayed Payment of Proceeds.***

If in any month the Trustee has not received a payment with respect to any Pledged Obligation on its Due Date:

(a) the Trustee shall promptly notify the Issuer and the Servicer in writing, and

(b) unless the payment is received by the Trustee within three Business Days (or the end of the applicable grace period for the payment, if longer) after the notice, or unless the Issuer, in its absolute discretion (but only to the extent permitted by Section 10.2(a)), makes provision for the payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with Section 10.2(a),

the Trustee shall request the issuer of the Pledged Obligation, the trustee under the related Underlying Instrument, or paying agent designated by either of them to make the payment as soon as practicable after the request but in no event later than three Business Days after the date of the request. If the payment is not made within that time period, the Trustee, subject to clause (iv) of Section 6.1(c), shall take the action directed by the Servicer in writing. Any such action shall be without prejudice to any right to claim a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture. If the Issuer or the Servicer requests a release of a Pledged Obligation or delivers a Collateral Obligation in connection with any such action under the Servicing Agreement, the release or substitution shall be subject to Section 10.6 and Article 12. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the Trustee shall deliver to the Issuer or its designee any payment with respect to any Pledged Obligation or any Collateral Obligation received after its Due Date to the extent the Issuer previously made provisions for the payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with this Section 6.14 and the payment shall not be part of the Collateral.

#### Section 6.15. *Authenticating Agents.*

Upon the request of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee shall, and if the Trustee so chooses the Trustee may, appoint one or more Authenticating Agents with power to act on its behalf and subject to its direction in the authentication of the Notes in connection with issuance, transfers, and exchanges under Sections 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, and 8.5, as fully to all intents and purposes as though each Authenticating Agent had been expressly authorized by those Sections to authenticate the Notes. For all purposes of this Indenture, the authentication of Notes by an Authenticating Agent pursuant to this Section 6.15 shall be the authentication of the Notes "by the Trustee."

Any Authenticating Agent may at any time resign by giving written notice of resignation to the Trustee and the Issuer. The Trustee may at any time terminate the agency of any Authenticating Agent by giving written notice of termination to the Authenticating Agent and the Co-Issuers.

The Co-Issuers agree to pay to each Authenticating Agent from time to time reasonable compensation for its services, and reimbursement for its reasonable expenses relating to its services as an Administrative Expense; provided, however, that if the Trustee elects to appoint an Authenticating Agent without the approval or request of the Co-Issuers, then the Trustee shall pay such compensation and reimbursement. Sections 2.9, 6.4, and 6.5 shall be applicable to any Authenticating Agent.

#### Section 6.16. *Fiduciary for Noteholders Only; Agent for Secured Parties.*

With respect to the security interest created under this Indenture, the delivery of any Pledged Obligation to the Trustee is to the Trustee as representative of the Noteholders and agent for the other Secured Parties. In furtherance of the foregoing, the possession by the Trustee of any Pledged Obligation and the endorsement to or registration in the name of the Trustee of any Pledged Obligation (including as entitlement holder of the Custodial Account) are all undertaken by the Trustee in its capacity as representative of the Noteholders and agent for the other Secured Parties.

Section 6.17. ***Representations and Warranties of the Bank.***

The Bank represents and warrants as follows for the benefit of the Noteholders:

- (a) ***Organization.*** The Bank has been duly organized and is validly existing as a national banking association and has the power to conduct its business and affairs as a trustee.
- (b) ***Authorization; Binding Obligations.*** The Bank has the corporate power and authority to perform the duties and obligations of trustee under this Indenture. The Bank has taken all necessary corporate action to authorize the execution, delivery and performance of this Indenture, and all of the documents required to be executed by the Bank pursuant to this Indenture. Upon execution and delivery by the Bank, this Indenture will be the valid and legally binding obligation of the Bank enforceable in accordance with its terms.
- (c) ***Eligibility.*** The Bank is eligible under Section 6.9 to serve as Trustee under this Indenture.

Section 6.18. ***Additional Reporting Requirements.***

If the Placement Agents elect to enter into a posting dealer agreement pursuant to Section 7.20, upon the effectiveness of the posting dealer agreement, the Issuer shall provide to The Bond Market Association certain documents for posting in the Repository as mutually agreed between the Servicer and the Placement Agents.

If the Placement Agents have entered into a posting dealer agreement, as promptly as possible following the execution of any supplemental indenture under Article 8, the Trustee at the expense of the Issuer shall deliver a copy of such supplemental indenture to the Repository in the manner described in Section 14.3(a)(viii).

## ARTICLE 7

### COVENANTS

Section 7.1. ***Payment of Principal and Interest.***

The Applicable Issuers shall pay the principal of and interest on the Notes in accordance with the Notes and this Indenture.

The Issuer shall, subject to the Priority of Payments, reimburse the Co-Issuer for any amounts paid by the Co-Issuer pursuant to the Senior Notes or this Indenture. The Co-Issuer shall not reimburse the Issuer for any amounts paid by the Issuer pursuant to the Notes or this Indenture.

Amounts properly withheld under the Code or other applicable law by any Person from a payment to any Holder shall be considered as having been paid by the Applicable Issuers to the Holder for all purposes of this Indenture.

Section 7.2. ***Maintenance of Office or Agency.***

The Co-Issuers appoint the Trustee as a Paying Agent for the payment of principal of and interest on the Notes. The Co-Issuers appoint U.S. Bank National Association, Corporate Trust Services, One Federal Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Mailcode: EX-MA-FED, Boston, Massachusetts 02110-2004, Attn: CDO Unit — Red River CLO Ltd., as the Co-Issuers' agent where notices and demands



on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Notes or this Indenture may be served and where the Notes may be surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

The Co-Issuers may at any time and from time to time vary or terminate the appointment of any Paying Agent or appoint any additional agents for all of these purposes.

The Co-Issuers shall maintain in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, an office or agency where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Notes and this Indenture may be served, which office will initially be the office of U.S. Bank Trust National Association, an Affiliate of the Trustee, located at 100 Wall Street, New York, New York 10005, and an office or agency outside of the United States where the Notes may be presented and surrendered for payment.

No paying agent shall be appointed in a jurisdiction that subjects payments on the Notes to withholding tax.

So long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, the Co-Issuers shall maintain in Ireland a Paying Agent and an office or agency where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Senior Notes and this Indenture may be served and where the Senior Notes may be surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

The Co-Issuers appoint, for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, AIB International Financial Services Ltd. (the "***Irish Paying Agent***") as Paying Agent in Ireland with respect to the Senior Notes, for the payment of principal, interest and other distributions on the Senior Notes and as the Co-Issuers' agent where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Senior Notes or this Indenture may be served. If the Irish Paying Agent is replaced at any time when any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, notice of the appointment of any replacement shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange as promptly as practicable after the appointment. The Co-Issuers shall give prompt written notice to the Trustee, each Rating Agency, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and the Holders of the Senior Notes of the appointment or termination of any such agent and of the location and any change in the location of any such office or agency.

If at any time the Co-Issuers fail to maintain any required office or agency in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, or outside the United States, or fail to furnish the Trustee with their addresses, notices and demands may be served on the Co-Issuers.

**Section 7.3. *Money for Note Payments to be Held in Trust.***

All payments of amounts payable with respect to any Notes that are to be made from amounts withdrawn from the Payment Account shall be made on behalf of the Applicable Issuers by the Trustee or a Paying Agent with respect to payments on the Notes.

When the Applicable Issuers have a Paying Agent that is not also the Indenture Registrar, they shall furnish not later than the fifth calendar day after each Record Date a list in the form the Paying Agent reasonably requests, of the names and addresses of the Holders and of the certificate numbers of individual Notes held by each Holder.

Whenever the Applicable Issuers have a Paying Agent other than the Trustee, they shall, on or before the Business Day before each Payment Date or Redemption Date direct the Trustee to

deposit on the Payment Date with the Paying Agent an aggregate sum sufficient to pay the amounts then becoming due (to the extent funds are then available for that purpose in the Payment Account), that sum to be held in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled to it and (unless the Paying Agent is the Trustee) the Co-Issuers shall promptly notify the Trustee of its action or failure so to act. Any monies deposited with a Paying Agent (other than the Trustee) in excess of an amount sufficient to pay the amounts then becoming due on the Notes with respect to which the deposit was made shall be paid over by the Paying Agent to the Trustee for application in accordance with Article 10.

Additional or successor Paying Agents shall be appointed by Issuer Order with written notice of the appointment to the Trustee. So long as Notes of any Class are rated by a Rating Agency any Paying Agent must either have a long-term debt rating of "Aa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or higher by Moody's and "AA-" or higher by S&P or a short-term debt rating of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P or the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency must be satisfied with respect to its appointment. If a successor Paying Agent ceases to have a long-term debt rating of "Aa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or higher by Moody's and "AA-" or higher by S&P or a short-term debt rating of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) by Moody's and a short-term debt rating of "A-1+" by S&P, the Co-Issuers shall promptly remove the Paying Agent and appoint a successor Paying Agent. The Co-Issuers shall not appoint any Paying Agent that is not, at the time of the appointment, a depository institution or trust company subject to supervision and examination by federal or state or national banking authorities. The Co-Issuers shall cause each Paying Agent other than the Trustee to execute and deliver to the Trustee an instrument in which the Paying Agent agrees with the Trustee, subject to this Section 7.3, that the Paying Agent will:

- (i) allocate all sums received for payment to the Noteholders for which it acts as Paying Agent on each Payment Date and any Redemption Date among the Holders in the proportion specified in the applicable report to the extent permitted by applicable law;
- (ii) hold all sums held by it for the payment of amounts due with respect to the Notes in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled to them until they are paid or otherwise disposed of as provided in this Indenture;
- (iii) immediately resign as a Paying Agent and forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums held by it in trust for the payment of the Notes if at any time it ceases to meet the standards required to be met by a Paying Agent at the time of its appointment;
- (iv) immediately give the Trustee notice of any default by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer (or any other obligor on the Notes) in the making of any payment required to be made; and
- (v) during the continuance of any such default, upon the written request of the Trustee, forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums so held in trust by the Paying Agent.

To obtain the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture or for any other purpose, the Co-Issuers may at any time pay, or by Issuer Order direct any Paying Agent to pay, to the Trustee all sums held in trust by the Co-Issuers or the Paying Agent, and, upon the payment by any Paying Agent to the Trustee, the Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to the money paid.

Any money deposited with a Paying Agent and not previously returned that remains unclaimed for 20 Business Days shall be returned to the Trustee. Except as otherwise required by applicable law, any money deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for the payment

of the principal of or interest on any Note and remaining unclaimed for two years after the principal or interest has become payable shall be paid to the Applicable Issuers. The Noteholder shall thereafter look only to the Applicable Issuers for payment of the amounts due to it as an unsecured general creditor and all liability of the Trustee or the Paying Agent with respect to that money (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Applicable Issuers) shall thereupon cease. The Trustee or the Paying Agent, before being required to release any payment, may, but shall not be required to, adopt and employ, at the expense of the Applicable Issuers any reasonable means of notification of the release of the payment, including mailing notice of the release to Holders whose Notes have been called but have not been surrendered for redemption or whose right to or interest in monies payable but not claimed is determinable from the records of any Paying Agent, at the last address of record of each Holder.

**Section 7.4. *Existence of Co-Issuers.***

(a) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall maintain in full force their existence and rights as companies incorporated or organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands and the State of Delaware, respectively, and shall obtain and preserve their qualification to do business as foreign corporations in each jurisdiction in which the qualifications are necessary to protect the validity and enforceability of this Indenture, the Notes, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and any of the Collateral.

However, the Issuer may change its jurisdiction of incorporation from the Cayman Islands to any other jurisdiction reasonably selected by the Issuer so long as:

(A) the Issuer has received a legal opinion (on which the Trustee may rely) to the effect that the change is not disadvantageous in any material respect to the Holders, the Servicer or any Hedge Counterparty,

(B) written notice of the change has been given by the Issuer to the Trustee, the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer, any Hedge Counterparty and each Rating Agency, and

(C) on or before the 15th Business Day following its receipt of the notice the Trustee has not received written notice from a Majority of the Controlling Class objecting to the change.

The Issuer may take any action required by this Indenture within the United States notwithstanding any provision of this Indenture requiring the Issuer to take the action outside of the United States so long as before taking the action the Issuer receives a legal opinion from nationally recognized legal counsel to the effect that it is not necessary to take the action outside of the United States or any political subdivision of the United States to prevent the Issuer from becoming subject to any United States federal, state, or local withholding or other taxes.

(b) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall ensure that all corporate or other formalities regarding their respective existences (including holding regular board of directors' and shareholders', or other similar, meetings to the extent required by applicable law) are followed. Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall take any action or conduct its affairs in a manner that is likely to result in its separate existence being ignored or in its assets and liabilities being substantively consolidated with any other Person in a bankruptcy, reorganization or other insolvency proceeding. Without limiting the foregoing,

(i) the Issuer shall not have any subsidiaries,

- (ii) the Co-Issuer shall not have any subsidiaries,
- (iii) the Issuer shall maintain at all times at least one director who is Independent of the Servicer, the Trustee and any of their respective Affiliates,
- (iv) the Issuer shall not commingle its funds with the funds of any other Person, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture, and
- (v) except to the extent contemplated in the Servicing Agreement, the Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Investors Corp. Subscription Agreement and the declaration of trust by the Share Trustee, the Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall not:
  - (A) engage in any transaction with any shareholder that would be a conflict of interest (the entry into the Administration Agreement with the Administrator shall not be deemed a conflict of interest), or
  - (B) pay dividends in violation of this Indenture, the resolutions of its board of directors and the Preference Share Documents.

**Section 7.5. *Protection of Collateral.***

(a) The Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will procure any action within the Servicer's control that is reasonably necessary to maintain the perfection and priority of the security interest of the Trustee in the Collateral. The Issuer from time to time shall execute and deliver any supplements and amendments to this Indenture and shall execute and deliver any Financing Statements, continuation statements, instruments of further assurance, and other instruments and shall take any other action appropriate to secure the rights and remedies of the Secured Parties under this Indenture and to:

- (i) Grant more effectively all or any portion of the Collateral;
- (ii) maintain or preserve the lien (and its priority) of this Indenture or to carry out more effectively the purposes of this Indenture;
- (iii) perfect, publish notice of, or protect the validity of, any Grant made by this Indenture (including any actions appropriate as a result of changes in law);
- (iv) enforce any of the Pledged Obligations or other instruments or property included in the Collateral;
- (v) preserve and defend title to the Collateral and the rights of the Secured Parties in the Collateral against the claims of anyone; and
- (vi) pay when due all taxes levied or assessed on any part of the Collateral.

The Issuer designates the Servicer as its agent and attorney in fact to execute any Financing Statement, continuation statement, and all other instruments, and take all other actions, required pursuant to this Section 7.5.

The Issuer authorizes the filing without the Issuer's signature a financing statement that names the Issuer as "debtor" and U.S. Bank National Association as "secured party" (with or without

indicating its capacity as Trustee hereunder) and that describes the Collateral as "all assets of the debtor, whether now owned or hereafter acquired and wherever located."

(b) The Trustee shall not:

(i) except in accordance with Section 10.6(a), (b) or (c), remove any portion of the Collateral that consists of Cash or is evidenced by an instrument, certificate or other writing:

(A) from the jurisdiction in which it was held at the date the most recent Opinion of Counsel was delivered pursuant to Section 7.6 (or from the jurisdiction in which it was held as described in the Opinions of Counsel delivered at the Closing Date pursuant to Section 3.1(iii) if no Opinion of Counsel has yet been delivered pursuant to Section 7.6), or

(B) from the possession of the Person who held it (other than the Bank), or

(ii) cause or permit ownership or the pledge of any portion of the Collateral that consists of book-entry securities to be recorded on the books of a Person (other than the Bank):

(A) located in a different jurisdiction from the jurisdiction in which the ownership or pledge was recorded, or

(B) other than the Person on whose books the ownership or pledge was originally recorded, unless the Trustee shall have first received an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the lien and security interest created by this Indenture with respect to the property and its priority will continue to be maintained after giving effect to the change.

(c) Without at least 30 days' prior written notice to the Trustee and the Servicer, the Issuer shall not change its "location" (as defined in Section 9-307 of the UCC) or change its name from the name shown on the signature pages of this Indenture.

(d) The Issuer shall, subject to the Priority of Payments, enforce all of its material rights and remedies under the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, each Hedge Agreement and each Securities Lending Agreement.

(e) The Issuer shall pay any taxes levied because any Pledged Obligations are owned by the Issuer.

(f) The Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will either exercise the "put" option that prevents a Collateral Obligation from being a Long-Dated Collateral Obligation on the last available date before the Stated Maturity of the Notes or sell the Collateral Obligation for Sale Proceeds at least equal to the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation, in either case by the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

**Section 7.6. *Opinions as to Collateral.***

On or before September 1 in each calendar year, commencing in 2007, the Issuer shall furnish to the Trustee, the Servicer and each Rating Agency an Opinion of Counsel from each relevant jurisdiction stating that, in the counsel's opinion, as of the date of the opinion, all actions necessary to maintain the lien and security interest created by this Indenture with respect to the Collateral have been taken and that no further action (other than as specified in the opinion) needs to be taken for the continued effectiveness and perfection of the lien over the next year. The opinion may be subject to customary assumptions and qualifications.

**Section 7.7. *Performance of Obligations.***

(a) The Co-Issuers, each as to itself, shall not take any action, and shall use their reasonable commercial efforts not to permit any action to be taken by others, that would release any Person from any of the Person's covenants or obligations under any instrument included in the Collateral, except in the case of enforcement action taken with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this Indenture and actions by the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and in conformity with this Indenture or as otherwise required by this Indenture.

(b) The Applicable Issuers may, with the prior written consent of a Majority of each Class of Notes and a Majority of the Preference Shares (except in the case of the Servicing Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement as initially executed), contract with other Persons (including the Servicer, the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator) for the performance of actions and obligations to be performed by the Applicable Issuers under this Indenture. Notwithstanding any such arrangement, the Applicable Issuers shall remain primarily liable for performance under this Indenture. The Applicable Issuers shall punctually perform, and use their reasonable commercial efforts to cause the Servicer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and any other Person to perform, all of their obligations in the Servicing Agreement, this Indenture, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement or any other agreement.

**Section 7.8. *Negative Covenants.***

(a) The Issuer shall not and, with respect to clauses (ii), (iii), (iv), (vi) and (ix), the Co-Issuer shall not, in each case from and after the Closing Date:

(i) sell, transfer, assign, exchange, or otherwise dispose of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecate, or otherwise encumber (or permit or suffer the sale, transfer, assignment, exchange, or other disposition of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecation, or other encumbering of), any part of the Collateral, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and the Servicing Agreement;

(ii) claim any credit on, make any deduction from, or, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable laws, dispute the enforceability of payment of the principal or interest (or any other amount) payable in respect of the Notes (other than amounts withheld in accordance with the Code or any applicable laws of the Cayman Islands) or assert any claim against any present or future Noteholder because of the payment of any taxes levied or assessed on any part of the Collateral;

(iii) (A) incur or assume or guarantee any indebtedness, other than the Notes and this Indenture and the transactions contemplated by this Indenture (including, as contemplated hereby, entering into the Hedge Agreements and Securities Lending

Agreements) or (B) issue any additional class of securities other than the Preference Shares issued on or before the Closing Date, except as otherwise permitted by the Preference Share Documents;

(iv) (A) permit the validity or effectiveness of this Indenture or any Grant under this Indenture to be impaired, or permit the lien of this Indenture to be amended, hypothecated, subordinated, terminated, or discharged or permit any Person to be released from any covenants or obligations with respect to this Indenture or the Notes, except as may be expressly permitted by this Indenture or by the Servicing Agreement, (B) permit any lien, charge, adverse claim, security interest, mortgage or other encumbrance (other than the lien of this Indenture) to be created on or extend to or otherwise arise on or burden any part of the Collateral, any interest in it, or its proceeds of or (C) take any action that would permit the lien of this Indenture not to be a valid first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral;

(v) amend the Servicing Agreement except pursuant to its terms and Section 15.1(h) or amend the Collateral Administration Agreement except pursuant to its terms unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the amendment or enter into any waiver in respect of any of the foregoing agreements without providing written notice to each Rating Agency and the Trustee (and, with respect to the Collateral Administration Agreement, without the consent of the Trustee);

(vi) to the extent permitted by applicable law, dissolve or liquidate in whole or in part, except as permitted under this Indenture;

(vii) pay any dividends or other distributions other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents;

(viii) conduct business under any name other than its own;

(ix) have any employees (other than directors and officers to the extent they are employees); or

(x) except for any Underlying Instrument and agreements involving the purchase or sale of Collateral Obligations having customary purchase or sale terms and documented with customary trading documentation (but not excepting any Synthetic Security or Hedge Agreement), enter into any agreement unless the agreement contains "non-petition" and "limited recourse" provisions and shall not amend such "non-petition" and "limited recourse" provisions without prior Rating Confirmation.

(b) Neither the Issuer nor the Trustee shall sell, transfer, exchange or otherwise dispose of Collateral, or enter into an agreement or commitment to do so, or enter into or engage in any business with respect to any part of the Collateral, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer, the Servicing Agreement.

(c) The Co-Issuer shall not invest any of its assets in "securities" as the term is defined in the Investment Company Act, and shall keep all of its assets in Cash.

(d) Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall use the proceeds of the Notes to buy or carry Margin Stock.

Section 7.9. *Notice of Default; Statement as to Compliance.*

(a) The Co-Issuers shall notify the Trustee, the Servicer, the Rating Agencies and each Hedge Counterparty within 10 days of acquiring actual knowledge of Default.

(b) On or before July 31 in each calendar year, commencing in 2007, the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee (to be forwarded by the Trustee to the Servicer and each Noteholder making a written request therefor and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) and each Rating Agency) a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer that, to the best knowledge of the Issuer, no Default exists, and has not existed since the date of the last certificate or, if a Default does then exist or had existed, specifying the same and its nature and status, including actions undertaken to remedy it, and that the Issuer has complied with all of its obligations under this Indenture or, if that is not the case, specifying those obligations with which it has not complied.

Section 7.10. *Co-Issuers May Consolidate, etc., Only on Certain Terms.*

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer (the "**Merging Entity**") shall consolidate or merge with or into any other Person or transfer or convey all or substantially all of its assets to any Person, unless permitted by Cayman Islands law (in the case of the Issuer) or United States and Delaware law (in the case of the Co-Issuer) and unless:

(a) the Merging Entity shall be the surviving corporation, or the Person (if other than the Merging Entity) formed by the consolidation or into which the Merging Entity is merged or to which all or substantially all of the assets of the Merging Entity are transferred (the "**Successor Entity**"),

(i) if the Merging Entity is the Issuer, is a company organized and existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands or another jurisdiction approved by a Majority of the Controlling Class (except that no approval shall be required in connection with any such transaction undertaken solely to effect a change in the jurisdiction of incorporation pursuant to Section 7.4), and

(ii) in any case shall expressly assume, by an indenture supplemental to this Indenture, executed and delivered to the Trustee and each Noteholder, the due and punctual payment of all amounts on all Notes issued by the Merging Entity and the performance and observance of every covenant of this Indenture on its part to be performed or observed, all as provided in this Indenture;

(b) each Rating Agency shall have been notified of the consolidation, merger, transfer, or conveyance and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the transaction;

(c) if the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall have agreed with the Trustee,

(i) to observe the same legal requirements for the recognition of the formed or surviving corporation as a legal entity separate and apart from any of its Affiliates as are applicable to the Merging Entity with respect to its Affiliates,



(ii) not to consolidate or merge with or into any other Person or transfer or convey the Collateral or all or substantially all of its assets to any other Person except in accordance with this Section 7.10; and

(iii) in any case shall expressly assume by an indenture supplemental to this Indenture, executed and delivered to the Trustee, each Noteholder and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the due and punctual payment of all amounts on all the Notes issued by the Merging Entity and the performance and observance of every covenant of this Indenture on its part to be performed or observed, all as provided in this Indenture;

(d) if the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall have delivered to the Trustee and each Rating Agency an Officer's certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that it is duly organized, validly existing, and in good standing in the jurisdiction in which it is organized; that it has sufficient power and authority to assume the obligations in subsection (a) above and to execute and deliver an indenture supplemental to this Indenture for the purpose of assuming the obligations in subsection (a) above; that it has duly authorized the execution, delivery, and performance of an indenture supplemental to this Indenture for the purpose of assuming the obligations in subsection (a) above and that the supplemental indenture is its valid and legally binding obligation, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject only to bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium, and other laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally and to general principles of equity; if the Merging Entity is the Issuer, that, following the event that causes the Successor Entity to become the successor to the Issuer, (i) the Successor Entity has title, free of any lien, security interest, or charge, other than the lien and security interest of this Indenture, to the Collateral, and (ii) the lien of this Indenture continues to be effective in the Collateral; and in each case as to any other matters the Trustee or any Noteholder reasonably requires;

(e) after giving effect to the transaction, no Default or Event of Default shall be continuing;

(f) the Merging Entity shall have notified each Rating Agency of the consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance and shall have delivered to the Trustee, each Noteholder and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) an Officer's certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that the consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance and the supplemental indenture comply with this Article 7 and that all conditions precedent in this Article 7 relating to the transaction have been complied with and that no adverse tax consequences will result therefrom to the Holders of the Securities;

(g) the Merging Entity shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel stating that after giving effect to the transaction, neither of the Co-Issuers (or, if applicable, the Successor Entity) will be required to register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act; and

(h) after giving effect to the transaction, the outstanding stock of the Merging Entity (or, if applicable, the Successor Entity) will not be beneficially owned within the meaning of the Investment Company Act by any U.S. Person.

**Section 7.11. *Successor Substituted.***

Upon any consolidation or merger, or transfer or conveyance of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, in accordance with Section 7.10 in which the Merging Entity is

not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall succeed to, and be substituted for, and may exercise every right of, the Merging Entity under this Indenture with the same effect as if the Person had been named as the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, in this Indenture. Upon any such consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance, the Person named as the "Issuer" or the "Co-Issuer" in the first paragraph of this Indenture or any successor may be dissolved, wound up and liquidated at any time thereafter, and the Person thereafter shall be released from its liabilities as obligor and maker on all the Notes and from its obligations under this Indenture.

Section 7.12. ***No Other Business.***

(a) From and after the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not engage in any business or activity other than issuing and selling the Notes pursuant to this Indenture and the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents and acquiring, owning, holding, and pledging and selling Collateral Obligations and the other Collateral in connection therewith, and shall not act as agent, negotiator or structurer with respect to any Collateral, act as a participant in negotiating terms of a primary loan agreement, enter into a binding commitment to purchase any Collateral prior to the issuance thereof or engage in any transaction or activity not permitted by the Collateral Acquisition Agreement or which the Issuer knows would cause it to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States within the meaning of the Code or subject the Issuer's income to taxation on a net basis in any jurisdiction, and the Co-Issuer shall not engage in any business or activity other than issuing and selling the Notes to be issued by it pursuant to this Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, other activities appropriate to accomplish the foregoing or incidental thereto or connected therewith.

(b) In furtherance and not in limitation of clause (a) of this Section 7.12, the Issuer shall comply with all of the provisions set forth in the Collateral Acquisition Agreement, unless, with respect to a particular transaction, the Issuer and the Trustee shall have received an opinion or advice of tax counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters that, under the relevant facts and circumstances with respect to such transaction, the Issuer's failure to comply with one or more of such provisions will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States within the meaning of the Code or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis. The provisions set forth in the Collateral Acquisition Agreement may be amended, eliminated or supplemented (without execution of a supplemental indenture) if the Issuer and the Trustee shall have received an opinion of tax counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters that the Issuer's compliance with such amended provisions or supplemental provisions or the Issuer's failure to comply with such provisions proposed to be eliminated, as the case may be, will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States within the meaning of the Code or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis and, at the request of the Issuer, the Trustee is hereby authorized to enter into any amendment of the Collateral Acquisition Agreement under such circumstances; provided, however, that written notice of any such amendment, elimination or supplementation of or to the provisions of the Collateral Acquisition Agreement pursuant to this Section 7.12(b) shall be provided to each Rating Agency then rating any Outstanding Class of Notes within 90 days of any such amendment, elimination or supplementation. For the avoidance of doubt, in the event an opinion of tax counsel as described above has been obtained in accordance with the terms hereof, no consent of any Noteholder or satisfaction of the Rating Condition shall be required in order to comply with this Section 7.12(b) in connection with the amendment, elimination or supplementation of any provision of the Collateral Acquisition Agreement contemplated by such opinion of tax counsel.

(c) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer may amend, or permit the amendment of, their Memorandum and Articles or the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the amendment (but not otherwise).

**Section 7.13. *Listing on Irish Stock Exchange.***

So long as any Senior Notes remain Outstanding, the Co-Issuers shall use all reasonable efforts to obtain and maintain the listing of the Senior Notes on the Irish Stock Exchange.

**Section 7.14. *Annual Rating Review.***

So long as any Notes of any Class remain Outstanding, on or before September 30 in each year commencing in 2007, the Co-Issuers shall obtain and pay for an annual review or ongoing surveillance of the rating of each Outstanding Class of Notes from each Rating Agency, as applicable. The Co-Issuers shall promptly notify the Trustee and the Servicer in writing (and the Trustee shall promptly provide a copy of the notice to the Noteholders) and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) if at any time the rating of any Class of Notes has been, or is known will be, changed or withdrawn.

**Section 7.15. *Reporting.***

At any time when the Co-Issuers are not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act and are not exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act, upon the request of a Holder or Beneficial Owner of any Note, the Co-Issuers shall promptly furnish "Rule 144A Information" to the Holder or Beneficial Owner, to a prospective purchaser of a Note designated by the Holder or Beneficial Owner or to the Trustee for delivery to the Holder or Beneficial Owner or a prospective purchaser designated by the Holder or Beneficial Owner, as the case may be, to permit compliance by the Holder or Beneficial Owner with Rule 144A under the Securities Act in connection with the resale of the Note by the Holder or Beneficial Owner. "**Rule 144A Information**" is the information specified pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act.

**Section 7.16. *Calculation Agent.***

(a) The Issuer agrees that for so long as any Floating Rate Notes remain Outstanding an agent will always have been appointed (that does not control and is not controlled by or under common control with the Issuer or its Affiliates) to calculate LIBOR in respect of each Interest Period (the "**Calculation Agent**"). The Issuer has initially appointed the Trustee as Calculation Agent. The Issuer may remove the Calculation Agent at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Issuer or if the Calculation Agent fails to determine any of the information required to be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange, as described in subsection (b), in respect of any Interest Period, the Issuer or the Servicer (on its behalf) shall promptly appoint a replacement Calculation Agent. For so long as any Floating Rate Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, notice of the appointment of any replacement Calculation Agent shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange as promptly as practicable after the appointment. The Calculation Agent may not resign its duties without a successor having been duly appointed.

(b) As soon as possible after 11:00 A.M., London time, on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period, but in no event later than 11:00 A.M., London time, on the next Business Day, the Calculation Agent shall calculate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of

Floating Rate Notes for the next Interest Period. The Calculation Agent shall communicate those rates and amounts to the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, each Paying Agent, the Servicer, Euroclear, Clearstream, the Depository, and, so long as any of the Floating Rate Notes are listed thereon and the rules of the exchange so require, the Irish Stock Exchange. In the latter case, the information shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange as soon as possible after its determination. The Calculation Agent shall separately notify the Irish Stock Exchange of the information. The Calculation Agent shall also specify to the Co-Issuers the quotations on which the foregoing rates are based, and in any event the Calculation Agent shall notify the Co-Issuers before 7:00 P.M., London time, on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period that either:

- (i) it has determined or is in the process of determining the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes, or
- (ii) it has not determined and is not in the process of determining any such Note Interest Rate together with its reasons therefor.

The Calculation Agent's determination of the foregoing rates for any Interest Period shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding on all parties and the Holders and Beneficial Owners of the Preference Shares.

**Section 7.17. *Certain Tax Matters.***

(a) For United States federal income tax purposes, the Issuer shall treat the Preference Shares as equity and the Notes as debt. Each Holder of a Note, by its acquisition of that Note, agrees to treat those Notes as debt for United States federal income tax purposes.

(b) The Issuer will make an election to be treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and will take all necessary actions to maintain its status as a partnership (or, if the equity of the Issuer is treated as owned by one person, as a disregarded entity of such person) for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

(c) The Issuer shall file, or cause to be filed, any tax returns, including information tax returns, required by any governmental authority; provided, however, that the Issuer shall not file, or cause to be filed, any income or franchise tax return in any state of the United States unless it shall have obtained an Opinion of Counsel from a tax counsel of nationally recognized standing experienced in such matters prior to such filing that, under the laws of such jurisdiction, the Issuer is required to file such income or franchise tax return.

(d) In order to ensure the Holders' and Beneficial Owners' acquisition of the Notes pursuant to this Indenture are not treated as offered under conditions of confidentiality, the Holders and Beneficial Owners of the Notes (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) are hereby permitted to disclose to any and all Persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement (including the ownership and disposition of the Notes). For this purpose, the tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction, and the tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction.

(e) If the Issuer is aware that it has purchased an interest in a "reportable transaction" within the meaning of Section 6011 of the Code, and a Noteholder requests information about any such transactions in which the Issuer is a purchaser, the Issuer shall provide such information it has reasonably available as soon as practicable after such request.

(f) The Issuer shall not conduct any business other than the business that the Issuer is permitted to conduct under this Indenture and the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

(g) Upon written request by the Independent accountants, the Indenture Registrar shall provide to the Independent accountants that information contained in the Indenture Register requested by the Independent accountants to comply with this Section 7.17.

(h) The Issuer will treat each purchase of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments as a "purchase" for tax accounting and reporting purposes.

(i) The Issuer shall not participate in listing or including the Class E Notes or Preference Shares on or in any Established Securities Markets, and shall not participate in establishing any Established Securities Market for its Class E Notes or Preference Shares. In addition, the Issuer shall not recognize any transfers made on any Established Securities Markets with respect to its Class E Notes or Preference Shares (including any transfers of any financial instrument (other than the Senior Notes) or contract the value of which is determined in whole or in part by reference to the Issuer).

Section 7.18. ***Securities Lending.***

(a) So long as no Event of Default is continuing and if after the completion of the transaction the limit in clause (28) of the definition of "Concentration Limitations" would be satisfied, the Servicer may cause Collateral Obligations that are not Defaulted Collateral Obligations to be lent for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) having long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or guarantors with ratings of at least "A1" (and not "A1" but on credit watch with negative implications) and "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A" from S&P (each, a "***Securities Lending Counterparty***") pursuant to one or more agreements (each, a "***Securities Lending Agreement***"); provided that Collateral Obligations the Market Value of which cannot be determined under clause (i), (ii) or (iii) of that definition may not be lent pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement. Upon receipt of an Issuer Order, the Trustee shall release any lent Collateral Obligations to a Securities Lending Counterparty as directed by the Servicer. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Placement Agents or Affiliates of the Servicer. The duration of any Securities Lending Agreement shall not exceed the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

(b) Each Securities Lending Agreement shall be on market terms as determined by the Servicer (except as may be required below) and shall:

(i) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty return to the Issuer debt obligations that are identical (in terms of issue and class) to the lent Collateral Obligations;

(ii) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty pay to the Issuer amounts equivalent to all interest and other payments that the owner of the lent Collateral Obligation

is entitled to for the period during which the Collateral Obligation is lent and require that any such payments not be subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the Securities Lending Counterparty is required under the Securities Lending Agreement to make "gross-up" payments to the Issuer that cover the full amount of the withholding tax on an after-tax basis;

(iii) require that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency shall be satisfied with respect to the execution of the Securities Lending Agreement;

(iv) satisfy any other requirements of Section 1058 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated under it;

(v) be governed by the laws of New York;

(vi) permit the Issuer to assign its rights under the Securities Lending Agreement to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture;

(vii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Collateral Obligation becomes a Credit Risk Obligation or is subject to redemption in accordance with its terms;

(viii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty upon any redemption of the Notes in whole;

(ix) require the Securities Lending Counterparty to post with the Trustee collateral consisting of cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the Securities Lending Agreement (the "***Securities Lending Collateral***") to secure its obligation to return the Collateral Obligations or in the alternative post the Securities Lending Collateral with a custodian for the benefit of the Issuer designated by the Securities Lending Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that custodian would qualify to be a successor trustee under Section 6.9;

(x) provide that the Securities Lending Collateral shall be maintained at all times in an amount equal to at least 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value (determined daily and monitored by the Servicer) of the lent Collateral Obligations and if securities are delivered to the Trustee as security for the obligations of the Securities Lending Counterparty under the related Securities Lending Agreement, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will negotiate with the Securities Lending Counterparty a rate for the loan fee to be paid to the Issuer for lending the lent Collateral Obligations;

(xi) the lent Collateral Obligations shall be marked-to-market on a daily basis by the Servicer on the basis of their Market Value;

(xii) the Collateral will include the Issuer's rights under the related Securities Lending Agreement rather than the loaned Collateral Obligation;

(xiii) provide for early termination within 10 days at the option of the Issuer and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Securities Lending Counterparty is no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings

of the Securities Lending Counterparty and the noncompliance is not cured as provided in this Indenture; and

(xiv) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Securities Lending Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those in this Indenture.

(c) If either Moody's or S&P downgrades a Securities Lending Counterparty such that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party are no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty, then the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, within 10 days of the downgrade, shall

(i) terminate its Securities Lending Agreements with the Securities Lending Counterparty unless a guarantor for the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements has been obtained; or

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations lent to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty so that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party, together with all other Securities Lending Agreements, are in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of Securities Lending Counterparties; or

(iii) take any other steps Moody's or S&P may require to cause the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party to be treated by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, as if the obligations were owed by a counterparty having a rating at least equivalent to the rating that was assigned by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty before its being downgraded.

(d) In connection with any such direction by the Servicer to enter into a Securities Lending Agreement, the Trustee may receive and rely on an Issuer Order to the effect that the Securities Lending Agreement, and its Securities Lending Counterparty, is each in compliance with the requirements of this Indenture (including the definition of "Securities Lending Counterparty"). The Issuer and the Trustee may enter into any Securities Lending Agreement (and any related account control agreement) at the instruction of the Servicer, and deliver and accept delivery and return of any Collateral Obligations pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement, or pursuant to instructions from the Servicer in connection with the Securities Lending Agreement. The Trustee may take any actions and exercise any rights and remedies under any Securities Lending Agreement that the Servicer instructs. The Trustee need not enter into any Securities Lending Agreement (or any related account control agreement) that would in its judgment, subject it to any liability, whether financial or otherwise, or cause it to incur or subject it to risk of any cost or disbursement for which it is not, in its judgment, adequately indemnified, or that would impose on it any obligations or administrative burdens that are unacceptable to it. The Servicer shall instruct the Trustee in writing with respect to the administration of any Securities Lending Agreement (including with respect to any default and the exercise of rights under it). The Trustee shall not have any responsibility for evaluating the sufficiency, validity or acceptability of any Securities Lending Agreement or for the qualifications or eligibility of any Securities Lending Counterparty. Nothing in this Indenture shall be construed to cause the Trustee to have any fiduciary duties to any Securities Lending Counterparty.

So long as any Collateral Obligation is on loan pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement,

(a) the Trustee shall have no liability for any failure or inability on its part to receive any information or take any action with respect to the Collateral Obligation because of its being on loan (including any failure to take action with respect to a notice of redemption, consent solicitation, exchange or tender offer, or similar corporate action), and

(b) the loaned Collateral Obligations shall not be disqualified for return to the Trustee as a Collateral Obligation by any change in circumstance or status during the time while on loan (including any change that would cause the Collateral Obligation to be ineligible for purchase by the Issuer under this Indenture if applied to a proposed purchase of it in the open market at the time of its return from loan).

**Section 7.19. *Purchase of Collateral Obligations; Ramp-Up Completion Date.***

(a) The Issuer shall use its best efforts to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period or enter into commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period for purchase on or as soon as practicable thereafter (not to exceed 60 days thereafter), in each case, for inclusion in the Collateral so that each of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A Notes is at least U.S.\$880,700,000.

(b) No Collateral Obligations may be purchased prior to the Ramp-Up Completion Date unless immediately following the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (as certified by the Servicer in writing), the remaining funds in the Collection Account, after giving effect to such purchase, are sufficient as of the date of determination to purchase Collateral Obligations for inclusion in the Collateral so that each of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A Notes is at least U.S.\$880,700,000 (taking into account the Collateral Obligations already part of the Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date)).

(c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, or any other provision of this Indenture, if the Issuer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase a Collateral Obligation to be included in the Collateral, such commitment initially not to exceed 60 days, and at the time of the commitment the Collateral Obligation complied with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set forth in this Section 7.19, the Issuer may consummate the purchase of the Collateral Obligation notwithstanding that the Collateral Obligation fails to comply with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set out above on the date of settlement.

(d) The Issuer will use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase, or to enter into binding agreements to purchase, Collateral Obligations by the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that, together with the Collateral Obligations purchased on or before the Closing Date and then held by the Issuer, will satisfy, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date), the Collateral Quality Tests, the Concentration Limitations, the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 of this Indenture and the Overcollateralization Tests.

(e) Within 5 Business Days after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer or the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) shall request a Rating Confirmation on behalf of the Issuer and shall provide a report to the Rating Agencies identifying the Collateral Obligations then



included in the Collateral and the Issuer shall obtain and deliver to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies, together with the delivery of a report (and, with respect to S&P, a Microsoft Excel file of the S&P CDO Monitor input file and, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, the name of the obligor thereon, the CUSIP number thereof (if applicable) and the S&P Priority Category thereof) substantially in the form of a Monthly Report as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, an Accountants' Certificate:

- (i) confirming the maturity date, rating, spread and recovery rate for each item of Original Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date and the information provided by the Issuer with respect to every other asset included in the Collateral, by reference to such sources as shall be specified therein;
- (ii) confirming that as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date:
  - (1) each of the Coverage Tests are satisfied;
  - (2) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owned or committed to purchase as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date is at least equal to the Maximum Amount; and
  - (3) the Collateral Obligations comply with all of the requirements of the Collateral Quality Tests and the Concentration Limitations and the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 of this Indenture; and
- (iii) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing statements.
- (f) If a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, the Notes will be redeemed pursuant to, and to the extent provided in, Section 9.1(a).

**Section 7.20. *Posting of Reports on Repository.***

If any of the Placement Agents have entered into a posting dealer agreement with The Bond Market Association relating to the transactions contemplated by this Indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer acknowledges and agrees that each Monthly Report and Valuation Report shall be posted to the Repository for use in the manner provided in the Repository. In connection therewith, the Trustee, at the expense of the Issuer, agrees to make available in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(viii) each Monthly Report or Valuation Report to the operator of the Repository for posting on the Repository. Such Placement Agents will notify the Trustee, the Co-Issuers and the Servicer upon entering into a posting dealer agreement.

**Section 7.21. *Secondary Risk Procedures.***

The Servicer shall notify S&P and request that S&P modify the S&P CDO Monitor accordingly if on any date (as disclosed in the most recent Monthly Report):

- (a) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Collateral Obligations participated from or entered into with the same Secondary Risk Counterparty exceeds the percentage of the Maximum Amount in the Secondary Risk Table opposite the long-term S&P credit rating of the Secondary Risk Counterparty under the caption "Individual Counterparty Limit," or

(b) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Collateral Obligations participated from or entered into with Secondary Risk Counterparties with the same long-term credit rating exceeds the percentage of the Maximum Amount in the Secondary Risk Table opposite that rating under the caption "Aggregate Counterparty Limit" (excluding up to 5% by Aggregate Principal Amount of Synthetic Securities with respect to Collateral Obligations the Aggregate Counterparty Limit of which is 20% to the extent that (x) such exposure is fully collateralized with respect to principal and (y) the related Synthetic Security Counterparties are rated at least "A-1+" by S&P).

**Section 7.22. *Section 3(c)(7) Procedures.***

In addition to the notices required to be given under Section 10.6 hereof, the Issuer shall take the following actions to ensure compliance with the requirements of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act (provided that such procedures and disclosures may be revised by the Issuer to be consistent with generally accepted practice for compliance with the requirements of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act):

(a) *Section 3(c)(7) Notice to Investors.* The Issuer shall (i) request the Depository to cause, and cooperate with the Depository in causing, the Depository's security description and delivery order to include a "3(c)(7) marker" and the Depository's user manual to contain an accurate description of the restrictions on the holding and transfer of the Notes due to the Issuer's reliance on the exclusion to registration provided by Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act, (ii) request that the Depository send, and cooperate with the Depository in causing the Depository to send, to its Agent Members (x) the Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice substantially in the form of Exhibit H-2 in connection with the initial offering of the Notes and (y) the Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice substantially in the form of Exhibit H-1 as set forth in Section 10.6(b) and (iii) request that the Depository cause, and cooperate with the Depository in causing, the Depository's Reference Directory to include each Class of Notes (and the applicable CUSIP numbers for the Notes) in the listing of 3(c)(7) issues together with an attached description of the limitations as to the distribution, purchase, sale and holding of the Notes.

(b) *CUSIP Numbers.* The Issuer shall (a) request of S&P, and shall cooperate with S&P to ensure that all CUSIP numbers identifying the Notes shall have a "fixed field" attached thereto that contains "3c7" and "144A" indicators and (b) take steps to cause the Placement Agents and any market makers to require that all "confirms" of trades of the Notes contain CUSIP numbers with such "fixed field" identifiers.

(c) *Bloomberg and other Third-Party Vendor Screens.* The Issuer shall use all reasonable efforts to cause the Bloomberg screen or screens containing information about the Notes to include the following language: (a) the "Note Box" on the bottom of the "Security Display" page describing the Notes shall state: "Iss'd Under 144A/3(c)(7)," (b) the "Security Display" page shall have the flashing red indicator "See Other Available Information" and (c) the indicator shall link to the "Additional Security Information" page, which shall state that the securities are "being offered in reliance on the exemption from registration under Rule 144A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), to persons who are both (x) qualified institutional buyers (as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act) and (y) qualified purchasers (as defined under Section 3(c)(7) under the Investment Company Act)." The Issuer shall use all reasonable efforts to require that any other third-party vendor screens containing information about the Notes include substantially similar language to clauses (a) through (c) above.

## ARTICLE 8

### SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURES

#### Section 8.1. *Supplemental Indentures Without Consent of Holders.*

(a) Without the consent of the Holders of any Securities, when authorized by Board Resolutions, and subject to the requirement provided below in this Section 8.1 with respect to the ratings of any Class of Notes, the Co-Issuers and the Trustee may, if, with respect to any matters described in paragraphs (1) through (22) below, the interests of the Holders of the Securities are not materially and adversely affected thereby (the Co-Issuers and the Trustee will be bound by a standard of good faith and fair dealing in making such determination) execute one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, to:

(1) evidence the succession of another Person to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and the assumption by the successor Person of the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture and in the Securities;

(2) add to the covenants of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders or to surrender any right in this Indenture conferred on the Co-Issuers;

(3) convey, transfer, assign, mortgage or pledge any property to the Trustee, or add to the conditions, limitations, or restrictions on the authorized amount, terms, and purposes of the issue, authentication and delivery of the Notes;

(4) evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment under this Indenture by a successor Trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of this Indenture necessary to facilitate the administration of the trusts under this Indenture by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of Sections 6.10, 6.11, and 6.13;

(5) correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of this Indenture, or to better assure, convey, and confirm to the Trustee any property subject or required to be subject to the lien of this Indenture (including all actions appropriate as a result of changes in law) or to subject to the lien of this Indenture any additional property;

(6) conform any provision in this Indenture to the related provision in the Offering Memorandum that is intended to be a verbatim recitation of such provision;

(7) modify the restrictions on and procedures for resales and other transfers of the Notes to reflect any changes in applicable law (or its interpretation) or to enable the Co-Issuers to rely on any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities Act or the Investment Company Act or to remove restrictions on resale and transfer to the extent not required under this Indenture;

(8) with the consent of the Servicer, modify the restrictions on the sales of Collateral Obligations in Section 12.1 or the Eligibility Criteria in Section 12.2 (and the definitions related thereto);

(9) make appropriate changes for any Class of Senior Notes to be listed on an exchange other than the Irish Stock Exchange;

(10) otherwise to correct any inconsistency or cure any ambiguity or errors in this Indenture;

(11) accommodate the issuance of the Senior Notes in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC or otherwise;

(12) take any appropriate action to prevent the Issuer, the Holders of the Securities, or the Trustee from becoming subject to withholding or other taxes, fees, or assessments or to prevent the Issuer from being treated as being engaged in a U.S. trade or business or otherwise being subject to income tax on a net income basis, so long as the action will not cause the Holders of any Securities to be adversely affected to any material extent by any change to the timing, character, or source of the income from the Securities, as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion);

(13) authorize the appointment of any listing agent, Transfer Agent, Paying Agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes appropriate in connection with the listing of any Class of Senior Notes on the Irish Stock Exchange or any other stock exchange, and otherwise to amend this Indenture to incorporate any changes required or requested by any governmental authority, stock exchange authority, listing agent, Transfer Agent, Paying Agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes in connection with its appointment, so long as the supplemental indenture would not materially and adversely affect any Noteholder, as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Notes;

(14) amend, modify, enter into or accommodate the execution of any contract relating to a Synthetic Security (including posting collateral under a Synthetic Security Agreement);

(15) modify Section 3.3 to be consistent with applicable laws or Rating Agency requirements;

(16) evidence any waiver by any Rating Agency as to any requirement or condition, as applicable, of the Rating Agency set forth in this Indenture;

(17) facilitate the issuance of participation notes, combination notes, composite securities and other similar securities;

(18) facilitate hedging transactions;

(19) facilitate the ability of the Issuer to lend collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement;

(20) modify any provision to facilitate an A/B Exchange, including to effect any serial designation relating to the exchange;

(21) with the consent of the Servicer, enter into any additional agreements not expressly prohibited by this Indenture as well as any amendment, modification, or waiver if

the Issuer determines that the amendment, modification, or waiver would not, upon or after becoming effective, materially and adversely affect the rights or interest of the Holders of any Class of Securities as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Servicer to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities;

(22) provide for the issuance of additional Preference Shares to the extent permitted by the Preference Share Documents and to extend to such additional Preference Shares the benefits applicable to the Preference Shares under the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents; or

(23) prevent the Issuer from becoming an “investment company” as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); *provided* that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer shall have received (A) a Rating Confirmation with respect to such supplemental indenture and (B) a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such supplemental indenture, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

(b) Without the consent of the Servicer, no supplemental indenture may be entered into that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to the Servicer under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer.

(c) The Trustee is authorized to join in the execution of any such supplemental indenture and to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations that may be in the agreements, but the Trustee shall not be obligated to enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties, liabilities or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise, except to the extent required by law. Unless notified by a Majority of any Class of Notes or a Majority of the Preference Shares that Holders of the Class of the Notes or Holders of the Preference Shares would be materially and adversely affected, the Trustee may rely on a certificate of the Servicer and an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) as to whether the interests of any Holder of Securities would be materially and adversely affected by any such supplemental indenture.

(d) If any Outstanding Notes are rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee shall enter into a supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.1 only if either (1) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the supplemental indenture or (2) the Servicer and the Holders of 100% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes the ratings on which would be reduced or withdrawn consent to the supplemental indenture. Prior to the entry into any supplemental Indenture with respect to which a Rating Confirmation for one or more Classes of Notes is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Note informing them of such fact.

(e) At the cost of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee shall mail to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding

Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares), each Rating Agency (for so long as any Notes are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency) and each Hedge Counterparty a copy of any such proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee (or 60 calendar days before execution in the case of a supplemental indenture for the purpose described in paragraph (8) of Section 8.1(a), which shall be identified as such in a certificate of the Servicer delivered to the Trustee before the date on which such notice is required to be given).

**Section 8.2. *Supplemental Indentures With Consent of Holders.***

(a) If the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency, the Trustee and the Co-Issuers may execute one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture to add any provisions to, or change in any manner, or eliminate any of the provisions of, this Indenture or modify in any manner the rights of the Noteholders under this Indenture with the consent of:

- (1) the Servicer if the supplemental indenture would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer;
- (2) a Majority of each Class of Notes adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of each such Class of Notes; and
- (4) a Majority of the Preference Shares adversely affected thereby.

Any proposed supplemental indenture that would also necessitate a change to the Memorandum and Articles of Association may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Memorandum and Articles of Association) has been passed to permit the Issuer's constitutional documents to be altered to conform them to the proposed change to this Indenture as certified to the Trustee by the Issuer.

Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected thereby and the Holder of each Preference Share adversely affected thereby, no supplemental indenture shall:

- (i) change the Stated Maturity of the principal of or the due date of any installment of interest on any Note or of any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, reduce the principal amount or the rate of interest on any Note, or the Default Interest Rate or the Redemption Price with respect to any Note or Preference Share, or change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Share may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer, change the provisions of this Indenture relating to the application of proceeds of any Collateral to the payment of principal of or interest on Notes, or to payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, or change any place where, or the coin or currency in which, Notes or their principal or interest are paid or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after their Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the applicable Redemption Date);
- (ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class or Holders of Preference Shares whose consent is required for the authorization of any such supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of this Indenture or certain defaults under this Indenture or their consequences provided for in this Indenture;

(iii) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on a parity with the lien of this Indenture with respect to any part of the Collateral or terminate the lien on any property at any time subject hereto or deprive the Holder of any Note of the security afforded by the lien of this Indenture;

(iv) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class whose consent is required to request the Trustee to retain the Collateral or rescind the Trustee's election to retain the Collateral, pursuant to Section 5.5 or to sell or liquidate the Collateral, pursuant to Section 5.4 or 5.5;

(v) modify any of the provisions of this Section, or to provide that certain other provisions of this Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note and Preference Share affected thereby;

(vi) modify the definition of "Outstanding," "Controlling Class," or "Majority," or the Priority of Payments in Section 11.1(a) or Section 13.1; or

(vii) modify any of the provisions of this Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of Redemption Price or of interest or principal on any Note or any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the payment of dividends or other payments on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date or to affect the rights of the Holders of the Securities to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of the Notes or the Preference Shares contained in this Indenture.

Prior to the entry into any supplemental indenture with respect to which a Rating Confirmation for one or more Classes of Notes is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Note and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) informing them of such fact.

(b) Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.2, the Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (for so long as any Notes are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency) a copy of such proposed supplemental indenture and shall request any required consent from the applicable Holders of Securities to be given within the Initial Consent Period. Any consent given to a proposed supplemental indenture by the Holder of any Securities, as applicable, shall be irrevocable and binding on all future Holders or beneficial owners of that Security, irrespective of the execution date of the supplemental indenture. If the Holders of less than the required percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the relevant Securities consent to a proposed supplemental indenture within the Initial Consent Period, on the first Business Day after the Initial Consent Period, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Servicer which Holders of Securities have consented to the proposed supplemental indenture and, which Holders (and, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the Trustee, which beneficial owners) have not consented to the proposed supplemental indenture. If it intends to exercise its Amendment Buy-Out Option pursuant to Section 9.6, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall so notify the Trustee (which notice shall designate a date for the Amendment Buy-Out to occur no earlier than 10 Business Days after the date of such notice) no later than five Business Days after the Servicer is so notified by the Trustee and the Trustee shall promptly mail such notice to all Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares). Any Non-Consenting Holder may give consent to the related

proposed supplemental indenture until the 5<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the date of the Amendment Buy-Out designated by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and in such case shall cease to be a Non-Consenting Holder for purposes of the Amendment Buy-Out. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser exercises its Amendment Buy-Out Option and purchases the applicable Securities pursuant to Section 9.6 below, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, as Holder or beneficial owner of the applicable Securities, may consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture within five Business Days of the Amendment Buy-Out.

(c) It shall not be necessary for any Act of Noteholders under this Section 8.2 to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if the Act or consent approves its substance.

(d) The Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency a copy of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.2 promptly after its execution by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee. Any failure of the Trustee to mail a copy of any supplemental indenture as provided in this Indenture, or any defect in the mailing, shall not in any way affect the validity of the supplemental indenture.

#### Section 8.3. *Execution of Supplemental Indentures.*

In executing or accepting the additional trusts created by any supplemental indenture permitted by this Article 8 or the modifications thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture, the Trustee may receive, and (subject to Sections 6.1 and 6.3) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an Opinion of Counsel stating that the execution of the supplemental indenture is authorized or permitted by this Indenture and that all conditions precedent to the execution of such supplemental indenture have been satisfied. In the event that any supplemental indenture is consented to by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes and the Rating Condition is satisfied or is specifically waived by all consenting parties, all conditions precedent to the execution of such supplemental indenture shall be deemed satisfied, the execution of such supplemental indenture shall be authorized or permitted by this Indenture, and the Trustee shall execute and accept the additional trusts created by such supplemental indenture pursuant to this Article 8 or modification thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture without obtaining an Opinion of Counsel; provided that the Trustee may, but shall not be obligated to, enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise. The Servicer shall not be bound by any amendment or supplement to this Indenture that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer unless the Servicer consents to it in writing, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed. The Servicer shall follow any amendment or supplement to this Indenture by which it is bound of which it has received written notice from the time it receives a copy of the amendment from the Issuer or the Trustee. The Trustee shall deliver any such amendment or supplement to the Repository in accordance with Section 6.18.

#### Section 8.4. *Effect of Supplemental Indentures; Certain Required Consents.*

Upon the execution of any supplemental indenture under this Article 8, this Indenture shall be modified in accordance therewith, and the supplemental indenture shall form a part of this Indenture for all purposes; and every Holder of Notes theretofore and thereafter authenticated and delivered under this Indenture shall be bound thereby.



Without the approval of each Hedge Counterparty to a then existing Hedge Agreement (so long as the Hedge Counterparty is not in default under any Hedge Agreement to which it is party), no supplemental indenture will be effective, and the Co-Issuers will not consent to any supplemental indenture, that would have a material adverse effect on the Hedge Counterparty. For purposes of this paragraph, any supplemental indenture will be deemed not to have a material adverse effect on the Hedge Counterparty if it does not object within 10 days of delivery of such supplemental indenture by the Trustee.

Any supplemental indenture that would necessitate a change to the Memorandum and Articles of Association (or the memorandum and articles of association of Investors Corp.) may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Memorandum and Articles of Association) has been passed to permit the Memorandum and Articles of Association (or the memorandum and articles of association of Investors Corp.) to be altered to conform with such proposed amendment.

**Section 8.5. *Reference in Notes to Supplemental Indentures.***

Notes authenticated and delivered after the execution of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Article 8 may, and if required by the Trustee shall, bear a notice in form approved by the Trustee as to any matter provided for in the supplemental indenture. If the Applicable Issuers shall so determine, new Notes, so modified as to conform in the opinion of the Trustee and the Co-Issuers to any such supplemental indenture, may be prepared and executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated and delivered by the Trustee in exchange for Outstanding Notes.

## ARTICLE 9

### REDEMPTION OF NOTES

**Section 9.1. *Mandatory Redemption.***

(a) If either (a) a Coverage Test is not met on any Determination Date or (b) a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, principal payments on the Notes shall be made on the related Payment Date (without payment of any Redemption Price) in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Upon receipt of notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes, at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes, then at the direction and in accordance with the instructions of the Servicer the Trustee shall sell Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for the purpose in the Collection Account will be used to redeem the Notes and the Preference Shares (but only to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes) and to pay all administrative and other fees, expenses and obligations payable under the Priority of Payments. Any sale under this Section shall be conducted in such a manner that:

(i) after giving effect to the sale each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied or, if any Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Overcollateralization Test is not reduced,

(ii) if the sale occurs on or after the second Payment Date, after giving effect to the sale each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied or, if any Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Interest Coverage Test is not reduced, and

(iii) after giving effect to the sale each Collateral Quality Test is satisfied or, if any Collateral Quality Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Collateral Quality Test is not reduced.

(b) The Preference Shares will be redeemed in whole in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents on any Payment Date on which a mandatory redemption of the Notes pursuant to Section 9.1(a) results in the payment in full of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes.

**Section 9.2. *Optional Redemption.***

(a) Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the Notes shall be redeemed by the Applicable Issuers, in whole but not in part, on any Payment Date from Principal Proceeds and all other funds available for that purpose in the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account at the direction of the Holders of a Super Majority of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Preference Shares, which direction must be given to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Servicer not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made, at the applicable Redemption Price (exclusive of installments of interest and principal maturing on or before that date, payment of which shall have been made or duly provided for, to the Noteholders on relevant Record Dates or as otherwise provided in this Indenture). All Notes must be simultaneously redeemed, and any termination payments pursuant to Hedge Agreements must be paid.

Upon receipt of a notice of redemption pursuant to this Section 9.2(a), the Servicer in its sole discretion will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Servicing Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer, direct the sale of the Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for such purpose in the Collection Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account will be at least sufficient to redeem all of the Notes and to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations. If, in the Servicer's reasonable discretion, the sale would not be sufficient to redeem the Notes, and to pay the fees, expenses and obligations, the Notes shall not be redeemed.

Upon any redemption pursuant to this Section 9.2(a), the Issuer shall, at least 30 days before the Redemption Date (unless the Trustee shall agree to a shorter notice period), notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency of the Redemption Date, the applicable Record Date, the principal amount of Notes to be redeemed on the Redemption Date and the applicable Redemption Prices.

(b) On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, all administrative and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture and all amounts owing under this Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged,

(i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to

be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings or

(ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, voting as a single Class or group, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such direction.

Upon a distribution pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(i), the Servicer will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Servicing Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer (and subject to Section 9.2(b)(ii)), direct the sale of all remaining Collateral Obligations. Upon a distribution pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii), the Servicer will effect the sale of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares.

**Section 9.3. *Redemption Procedures.***

(a) Upon any redemption pursuant to Section 9.2, the Trustee shall give notice of a redemption by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days and not earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date, each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of DTC, Euroclear, and Clearstream, as applicable, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and (in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a)) to each Rating Agency. In addition, for so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of redemption of Senior Notes pursuant to Section 9.2 shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

(b) All notices of redemption delivered pursuant to Section 9.3(a) shall state:

(i) the applicable Redemption Date;

(ii) the Redemption Price of the Notes to be redeemed (in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a));

(iii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), that all of the Notes, are to be redeemed in full and that interest on the Notes to be redeemed shall cease to accrue on the Payment Date specified in the notice; and

(iv) the places where the Notes to be redeemed in whole are to be surrendered for payment of the Redemption Price, which shall be the office or agency of the Co-Issuers to be maintained as provided in Section 7.2 and, so long as any Senior Notes to be redeemed are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, and the Irish Paying Agent.

Any such notice of redemption may be withdrawn by the Issuer up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares), the Trustee and the Servicer only if:

(A) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), the Servicer does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications (described in Section 9.3(c) and 12.1(f)), as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee,

(B) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i), the Issuer receives the written direction of the Majority of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption delivered by a percentage of the Preference Shares requesting redemption under Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i), as applicable, or

(C) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii), the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer hereby agrees for the benefit of the directing Holders to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (B) or this clause (C)).

Notice of any withdrawal shall be sent, not later than the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date (assuming that the Trustee has received timely written notice from the Issuer as provided above), by the Trustee, to each Noteholder scheduled to be redeemed at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery (or, to the extent the address contained in the Indenture Register is not sufficient for that purpose, by first class mail), the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Holding Preference Shares). If the Issuer so withdraws any notice of redemption or is otherwise unable to complete any redemption of the Notes, the Sale Proceeds received from the sale of any Collateral Obligations sold pursuant to Sections 9.2 and 12.1(f) may, during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period) at the Servicer's discretion, be used to purchase replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria.

Notice of redemption shall be given by the Co-Issuers or, upon an Issuer Order, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Co-Issuers. Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Notes selected for redemption, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each of Holding Preference Shares) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Securities.

(c) The Notes may not be redeemed pursuant to Section 9.2(a) unless either of the following conditions is satisfied:

(i) At least ten Business Days before the Redemption Date, the Servicer shall have furnished to the Trustee evidence (in form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee) that the Issuer has entered into a binding agreements (with a financial or other institution or entity whose short-term unsecured debt obligations (other than obligations whose rating is based on the credit of a Person other than the institution) have a credit rating of at least "A-1" from S&P and of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's (or to any other institution or entity if the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's is satisfied with respect to the other entity)) to sell to the financial or other institutions, not later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date in immediately available funds, all or part of the Collateral (directly or by participation or other arrangement) at a Purchase Price at least equal to an amount sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible

Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties, and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices; or

(ii) Before entering into any binding agreement to sell all or a portion of the Collateral and selling or terminating any Hedge Agreement, the Servicer shall have certified that, in its commercially reasonable judgment, the settlement dates of the sales will be scheduled to occur on or before the Business Day before the Redemption Date and that the expected proceeds from the sales are to be delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date, in immediately available funds, in an amount (calculated as applicable in the manner provided below) sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties, and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices. For purposes of this paragraph, the amount shall be calculated with respect to the classes of Collateral listed in the table below by multiplying the expected proceeds of sale of the Collateral by the indicated percentage in the table below.

		<u>Number of Business Days Between Certification to the Trustee and Sale</u>			
		<u>Same Day</u>	<u>1 to 2</u>	<u>3 to 5</u>	<u>6 to 15</u>
1	Cash or other Eligible Investments	100%	100%	100%	100%
2	Loans (other than 5 below)	100%	93%	92%	88%
3	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations (in each case, other than 4 below)	100%	89%	85%	75%
4	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations, in each case with a Moody's Rating of "B3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "B3"	100%	75%	65%	55%
5	Synthetic Securities	100%	65%	55%	35%

Any certification delivered pursuant to this Section 9.3(c) shall include (A) the prices of, and expected proceeds from, the sale of any Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, or Hedge Agreements and (B) all calculations required by this Section 9.3(c).

**Section 9.4. *Notes Payable on Redemption Date.***

(a) Notice of redemption pursuant to Section 9.3 having been given as aforesaid, the Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at the Redemption Price therein specified and from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Redemption Price and accrued interest) the Notes shall cease to bear interest on the Redemption Date. Upon final payment on a Note to be so redeemed, the Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the place specified in the notice of redemption on or before the Redemption Date unless the Co-Issuers and the Trustee receive the security or indemnity required by them to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the Note, and in the absence of notice to the Co-Issuers and the Trustee, that the applicable Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender. Payments of interest on Notes so to be redeemed whose Stated Maturity is on or before the Redemption Date shall be payable to the Noteholders, or one or more predecessor Notes, registered as such at the close of business on the relevant Record Date if the Record Date is a Business Day (or, if the Record Date is not a Business Day, the close of business on the Business Day before the Record Date) according to Section 2.8(e).

(b) If any Note called for redemption is not paid on its surrender for redemption, its principal shall bear interest from the Redemption Date at the Applicable Note Interest Rate for each successive Interest Period the Note remains Outstanding if the reason for the non-payment is not the fault of the Holder of the Note.

**Section 9.5. *Special Redemption.***

Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in whole or in part, at par, in accordance with the Priority of Payments if, at any time during the Replacement Period, the Servicer elects (subject to the Servicing Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional or replacement Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the application of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations (a "*Special Redemption*").

On the first Payment Date following the Due Period for which the notice is effective (a "*Special Redemption Date*"), the funds in the Collection Account or the Payment Account representing Principal Proceeds that, by operation of the preceding paragraph, are not used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (the "*Special Redemption Amount*") will be available to be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments under Section 11.1(a)(ii). Notice of payments pursuant to this Section 9.5 shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than three Business Days before the applicable Special Redemption Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of DTC. In addition, for so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of redemption of Senior Notes pursuant to Section 9.2 shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

**Section 9.6. *Amendment Buy-Out.***

(a) In the case of any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Securities held by such

Holders whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture or, with respect to any Class I Preference Shares held by Investors Corp. if the consent of the Holders of Holding Preference Shares has been solicited, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holders all Holding Preference Shares held by such Holders (the "***Amendment Buy-Out Option***"), in each case, for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; provided, however, that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser may not exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option during the Non-Call Period in connection with a proposed amendment to reduce the rate of interest on any Note or to change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Shares may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all such Securities of Non-Consenting Holders and all such Holding Preference Shares of the Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holders, as the case may be, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an "***Amendment Buy-Out***"). By its acceptance of its Securities hereunder, each Holder of Securities agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder and any Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder will be required to sell its applicable Transaction Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser; provided that if any Non-Consenting Holder holds Class II Preference Shares, (i) such Non-Consenting Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to Investors Corp. and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares, (ii) Investors Corp. will issue additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such redesignated Preference Shares purchased by it and (iii) the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser will purchase such additional Holding Preference Shares in lieu of such redesignated Preference Shares. Neither the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser nor any other Person shall have any liability to any Holder or beneficial owner of Transaction Securities as a result of an election by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser not to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option.

(b) All purchases made pursuant to an Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Transaction Securities set forth herein and in the Preference Share Documents or the Holding Preference Share Documents, as applicable, and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

## ARTICLE 10

### ACCOUNTS, ACCOUNTINGS, AND RELEASES

#### Section 10.1. ***Collection of Money.***

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, the Trustee may demand payment or delivery of, and shall receive and collect, directly and without intervention or assistance of any fiscal agent or other intermediary, all money and other property payable to or receivable by the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture, including all payments due on the Pledged Obligations, in accordance with the terms of the Pledged Obligations. The Trustee shall segregate and hold all money and property received by it in trust for the Secured Parties and shall apply it as provided in this Indenture. Any Account may contain any number of sub-accounts for the convenience of the Trustee or as required by the Servicer for convenience in administering the Accounts, the Collateral.

#### Section 10.2. ***Collection Account.***

(a) Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Collection Account, that shall be held in

trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, and into which the Trustee shall from time to time deposit, in addition to the deposits required pursuant to Section 10.7(e), immediately upon the Trustee's receipt thereof:

- (i) any funds transferred from (1) the Closing Date Expense Account pursuant to Section 10.3(g) or (2) the Interest Reserve Account pursuant to Section 10.3(i),
- (ii) all Principal Proceeds (unless (1) simultaneously used to purchase Collateral Obligations in accordance with Article 12, (2) deposited into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or (3) posted by the Issuer as cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security or in Eligible Investments) received by the Trustee,
- (iii) all Interest Proceeds received by the Trustee (unless simultaneously used to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations in accordance with Article 12 or in Eligible Investments), and
- (iv) all other funds received by the Trustee and not excluded above.

In addition to the items described above, the Issuer may, but under no circumstances shall be required to, deposit from time to time any monies, securities and other instruments in the Collection Account it deems, in its sole discretion, to be advisable (and may designate any amounts deposited pursuant to this sentence as Principal Proceeds or Interest Proceeds in its discretion). Any Principal Proceeds received during the Replacement Period, and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments received after the Replacement Period, which have not been used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations on the Business Day of receipt shall be deposited in the Collection Account and shall at the direction of the Servicer be applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the other requirements set forth herein or the purchase of Eligible Investments pending such application or used to enter into additional Hedge Agreements or used in connection with a Special Redemption. Principal Proceeds (other than Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations, Credit Risk Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments) received after the Replacement Period shall be deposited into the Collection Account and applied to the purchase of Eligible Investments. All monies deposited from time to time in the Collection Account pursuant to this Indenture shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and shall be applied to the purposes provided in this Indenture. Amounts in the Collection Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(a).

(b) Within one Business Day after receipt of any distribution or other proceeds of the Collateral that are not Cash, the Trustee shall so notify the Issuer and the Servicer. Within five Business Days of receipt of the notice from the Trustee, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall sell the distribution or other proceeds for Cash in an arm's length transaction to a Person that is not the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer and deposit its proceeds in the Collection Account. The Issuer need not sell the distributions or other proceeds if it delivers an Issuer Order or an Officer's certificate to the Trustee and the Servicer certifying that the distributions or other proceeds are Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, or Workout Assets.

(c) During the Replacement Period (or, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may



by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall withdraw funds on deposit in the Collection Account representing Principal Proceeds (and, to the extent expressly provided in this Indenture, Interest Proceeds) and apply the funds to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), in each case in accordance with the requirements of Article 12 and the Issuer Order.

(d) At any time during or after the Replacement Period, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall, pay from amounts on deposit in the Collection Account on any Business Day during any Interest Period from Interest Proceeds only, any Administrative Expenses that require payment before the next Payment Date to the extent that the amount of the payments does not exceed the aggregate amount that may be paid on the next Payment Date under, and at the level of priority specified by, Section 11.1(a)(i)(1).

(e) The Trustee shall transfer to the Payment Account from the Collection Account for application pursuant to Section 11.1(a) or 11.2, as applicable, on or not later than the Business Day preceding each Payment Date, the amount set forth to be so transferred in the Valuation Report for the Payment Date.

### Section 10.3. *Other Accounts.*

(a) *Custodial Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated trust account that shall be designated as the Custodial Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, and into which the Trustee shall deposit the Collateral Obligations and other Collateral not deposited elsewhere in accordance with this Indenture (other than Loans, Participations and general intangibles, which in the case of Loans and Participations, shall be held by the Trustee as provided in Section 3.2). All assets or securities at any time on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Custodial Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties. The only permitted withdrawals from the Custodial Account shall be in accordance with this Indenture. The Co-Issuers shall not have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Custodial Account other than in accordance with Section 3.2 and the Priority of Payments.

(b) *Revolving Reserve Account and Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish (i) a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account which shall be designated as the Revolving Reserve Account and (ii) a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, each of which shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. Upon the purchase of any Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, at the direction of the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit Principal Proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account, in the case of a Revolving Loan, and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, in the case of a Delayed Drawdown Loan, each equal to the unfunded Commitment Amount of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, respectively, and the Principal Proceeds so deposited shall be considered part of the Purchase Price of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan for purposes of Article 12. At the direction of the Servicer at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall withdraw funds from the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to fund extensions of credit pursuant to Revolving Loans or Delayed

Drawdown Loans, respectively. In addition, to the extent that the Issuer receives proceeds of a repayment in respect of a Revolving Loan (except to the extent of any concurrent Commitment Reduction) at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall deposit the proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account. Upon the sale of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan in whole or in part or the reduction in part or termination of the Issuer's commitment thereunder, an amount on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, as the case may be, specified by the Servicer as being equal to:

- (i) the unfunded amount of the commitment (in the case of a sale in whole or a termination of the commitment),
- (ii) the proportionate amount of the amount on deposit (in the case of a sale in part), or
- (iii) the amount by which the commitment is reduced (in the case of a reduction thereof in part),

shall be transferred by the Trustee to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds. Amounts on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(b). All interest and other income from amounts in the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.4(b) shall be considered Interest Proceeds in the Due Period in which they are so deposited.

(c) *Expense Reimbursement Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Expense Reimbursement Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On any Payment Date and on any date between Payment Dates, the Trustee will apply amounts, if any, in the Expense Reimbursement Account to the payment of expenses and fees that must be paid between Payment Dates or that are due on that Payment Date under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) and the Trustee shall on any Payment Date transfer to the Expense Reimbursement Account an amount equal to the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts due under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) to the Expense Reimbursement Account in accordance with Section 11.1(a)(i)(2). Funds in the Expense Reimbursement Account shall be applied in accordance with Section 10.4(a).

(d) *Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties (other than the Hedge Counterparty pledging the Collateral), over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. The Trustee shall deposit all collateral received from a Hedge Counterparty under any Hedge Agreement into the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account shall be:

- (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer under a Hedge Agreement if the Hedge Agreement becomes subject to early termination, or

(ii) to return collateral to the relevant Hedge Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Hedge Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(a) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(e) *Synthetic Security Collateral Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal, and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Synthetic Security and delivers a copy of it to the Trustee, the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the Synthetic Security Collateral Account with respect to the Synthetic Security.

All Synthetic Security Collateral posted by any Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Synthetic Security shall be immediately deposited into the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Synthetic Security. On each day on which amounts are payable to the Issuer out of Synthetic Security Collateral, the Issuer by Issuer Order shall direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, withdraw amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in an amount sufficient to make the payment as provided in the Issuer Order (including any total or partial release of Synthetic Security Collateral). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be (i) for application to the obligations of the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty under a Synthetic Security Agreement or (ii) to return Synthetic Security Collateral to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty at the termination of the relevant Synthetic Security Agreement or as otherwise required by the Synthetic Security Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(b) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(f) *Securities Lending Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Securities Lending Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal, and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Securities Lending Agreement and delivers a copy of it to the Trustee, the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the Securities Lending Account with respect to the Securities Lending Agreement. All Securities Lending Collateral posted by any Securities Lending Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Securities Lending Agreement shall be immediately deposited into the Securities Lending Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Securities Lending Agreement. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Securities Lending Account shall be:

(i) for application to obligations of the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty to the Issuer under a Securities Lending Agreement if the Securities Lending Agreement becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the related Securities Lending Agreement upon any "event of default" under and as defined in

the related Securities Lending Agreement, including liquidating the related Securities Lending Collateral, or

(ii) to return the Securities Lending Collateral to the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Securities Lending Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(c). To the extent provided in a Securities Lending Agreement, earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be payable by the Issuer to the related Securities Lending Counterparty.

Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the loaned security or asset that relates to the Securities Lending Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer.

(g) *Closing Date Expense Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Closing Date Expense Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On the Closing Date, the Trustee, at the direction of the Issuer, shall deposit into the Closing Date Expense Account approximately U.S.\$11,800,000 from the gross proceeds of the Offering. At any time before the earlier of (i) the Ramp-Up Completion Date and (ii) the Payment Date in May, 2007, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall, pay from amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account any applicable fees and expenses of the Offering. On the Payment Date in May, 2007 (or, at the discretion of the Servicer, on the Payment Date in February, 2007), the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds and close the Closing Date Expense Account.

Amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(a) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(h) *Payment Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Payment Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Payment Account shall be to pay amounts due and payable on the Notes in accordance with their terms and the provisions of this Indenture and to pay Administrative Expenses and other amounts specified in this Indenture, each in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Co-Issuers shall not have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Payment Account other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

(i) *Interest Reserve Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Interest Reserve Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On the Closing Date, the Trustee, at the direction of the Issuer, shall deposit into the Interest Reserve Account approximately U.S.\$1,147,500 from the gross proceeds of the Offering. At any time on or before the earlier of (i) the Ramp-Up Completion Date and (ii) the Payment Date in May, 2007, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of

the Issuer Order the Trustee shall, (a) pay from amounts on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account an amount necessary such that the amounts referred to in Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) through (20) will be paid in full on each Payment Date occurring on or before the Payment Date in May, 2007 or (b) at the discretion of the Servicer, transfer any funds on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds. On the Payment Date in May, 2007 (or, at the discretion of the Servicer, on the Payment Date in February, 2007), the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account (after application of any monies therefrom on such date) to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds and close the Interest Reserve Account. Amounts on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(a).

(j) *Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of Holders of the Class II Preference Shares, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On each Payment Date, to the extent of available funds in accordance with the Priority of Payments, the Trustee will deposit into the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account amounts equal to the products of (a) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date and (b) on any Payment Date during the first two years after the Closing Date or with respect to which the Servicer has notified the Trustee on or before the related Determination Date that it is waiving its Servicing Fee, the Servicing Fees then due and payable, as described in Section 11.1(a) for payment to the Servicer on such Payment Date. The Servicer has agreed to waive such amounts, which would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as Servicing Fees, on each Payment Date during the first two years following the Closing Date and an amount equal to such waived amounts will be distributed by the Trustee, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. After the two-year anniversary of the Closing Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event, an amount equal to such waived portion will be distributed by the Trustee, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

(k) In addition to any deposit, withdrawal, transfer or other application of funds with respect to any Account set forth in this Section 10.3 or in Section 10.2, any deposit, withdrawal, transfer or other application of funds with respect to any Account authorized elsewhere in this Indenture is hereby authorized pursuant to this Section 10.3.

(l) In order to comply with its obligations under the USA Patriot Act of 2001, if any, the Trustee shall be entitled to request and verify, and the Noteholders, beneficial owners, the Co-Issuers and other parties related to this Indenture shall be obligated to provide to the Trustee all the necessary information required by the USA Patriot Act of 2001.

#### Section 10.4. *Application of Funds in Accounts; Reports by Trustee.*

(a) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall at all times before an Event of Default occurs, direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, apply all funds on deposit in the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account as so directed in

Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. All applications on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any Eligible Investments. Before an Event of Default occurs, if the Issuer has not given directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Servicer within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Date Expense Account or the Interest Reserve Account. If the Trustee does not receive written instructions from the Servicer within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall apply the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (c) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. After an Event of Default occurs, if the Issuer does not give directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall apply the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (c) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing not later than the earlier of (i) 30 days after the date of the application or (ii) the Business Day before the next Payment Date. All interest and other income from such Eligible Investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from such Eligible Investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from such Eligible Investments shall be charged to the Collection Account. Subject to Section 6.7, the Trustee shall not in any way be held liable for the selection of Eligible Investments or because of any insufficiency of the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Date Expense Account or the Interest Reserve Account or any other account that results from any loss relating to any such Eligible Investment.

(b) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall at all times direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, apply all funds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, and the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities not later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase. All applications on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any Eligible Investments. If before an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Servicer within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account. If the Trustee does not thereupon receive written instructions from the Servicer within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall apply the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that are overnight funds. If after an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall apply the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that are overnight funds. All interest and other income from such Eligible Investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from such Eligible Investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from such Eligible Investments shall be charged to the Collection Account.

(c) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall at all times direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, apply all funds on deposit in the Securities Lending Account in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. All applications on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any Eligible Investments. The interest on the Eligible Investments shall be allocated between the Issuer and the Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the related Securities Lending Agreement. If before an Event of

Default, the Issuer does not give directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Servicer within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Securities Lending Account. If the Trustee does not thereupon receive written instructions from the Servicer within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall apply the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that mature no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. If after an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall apply the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. All interest and other income from such Eligible Investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from such Eligible Investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from such Eligible Investments shall be charged to the Collection Account.

(d) The Trustee agrees to give the Issuer notice as soon as reasonably practicable if a Trust Officer obtains actual knowledge that any Account or any funds on deposit in any Account, or otherwise to the credit of an Account, shall become subject to any writ, order, judgment, warrant of attachment, execution or similar process. All Accounts shall remain at all times with the Custodian or a financial institution having a long-term debt rating of at least "Baa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) by Moody's and at least "BBB+" by S&P and having combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000 that has entered into one or more securities account control agreements substantially in the form of Exhibit G; provided, however, that (i) with respect to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Synthetic Security Counterparty shall be a party to such control agreement and shall consent to the Trustee's control of such Synthetic Security Collateral Account, (ii) with respect to the Securities Lending Account, the Securities Lender shall be a party to such control agreement and shall consent to the Trustee's control of such Securities Lending Account and (iii) with respect to each Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the related Hedge Counterparty shall be a party to such control agreement and shall consent to the Trustee's control of such Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.

(e) The Trustee shall supply, in a timely fashion, to the Co-Issuers and the Servicer any information regularly maintained by the Trustee that the Co-Issuers or the Servicer may from time to time request with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the Accounts and the Collateral and provide any other requested information reasonably available to the Trustee because of its acting as Trustee under this Indenture and required to be provided by Section 10.6, to permit the Servicer to perform its obligations under the Servicing Agreement. The Trustee shall promptly forward to the Servicer copies of notices and other writings received by it from the issuer of any Collateral Obligation or from any Clearing Agency with respect to any Collateral Obligation which notices or writings advise the holders of the security of any rights that the holders might have with respect to the Collateral Obligation (including requests to vote with respect to amendments or waivers and notices of prepayments and redemptions) as well as all periodic financial reports received from the issuer and Clearing Agencies with respect to the issuer.

(f) To the extent monies deposited in any Account exceed amounts insured by the Bank Insurance Fund or Savings Association Insurance Fund administered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any agencies succeeding to its insurance functions, and are not fully collateralized by direct obligations of the United States of America, the excess shall be held in Eligible Investments as described above.

Section 10.5. *Synthetic Security Counterparty Account.*

(a) To the extent that any Synthetic Security requires the Issuer to secure its obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee and the Trustee shall establish a segregated non-interest bearing trust account for the Synthetic Security which shall be held in trust for the benefit of the related Synthetic Security Counterparty and over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and this Indenture (a "*Synthetic Security Counterparty Account*"). In the alternative, a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account may be established with a trustee designated by the Synthetic Security Counterparty if that trustee would qualify to be a successor trustee under Section 6.9 and the account satisfies the other requirements of this Section.

As directed in writing by the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit (or deliver for deposit) into each Synthetic Security Counterparty Account all amounts or securities that are required to secure the obligations of the Issuer in accordance with the related Synthetic Security, including the entire notional amount of any Synthetic Security in the form of a credit default swap or other similar transaction. The Servicer shall direct any such deposit only during the Replacement Period and only to the extent that monies are available for the purchase of Collateral Obligations pursuant to this Indenture. Any income received on amounts in the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall, after application in accordance with the relevant Synthetic Security, be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Interest Proceeds.

(b) As directed by the Servicer in writing and in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and this Indenture, amounts on deposit in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in Synthetic Security Collateral.

(c) In connection with the occurrence of a credit event or an event of default or a termination event (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security) under the related Synthetic Security, amounts in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be withdrawn by the Trustee (or the Trustee shall request their withdrawal) and applied toward the payment of any amounts payable by the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the Synthetic Security, as directed by the Servicer in writing. Any excess amounts held in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, or held directly by a Synthetic Security Counterparty, after payment of all amounts owing from the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the related Synthetic Security shall be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Principal Proceeds.

(d) Amounts on deposit in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the Synthetic Security that relates to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer (with the notional amount as the Principal Balance unless a default exists under the applicable Synthetic Security).

Section 10.6. *Accountings.*

(a) *Monthly.* Commencing the earlier of (a) the first full month after the Ramp-Up Completion Date and (b) the month ending October, 2007, (i) in the case of a month in which there is no Payment Date, not later than the eighth Business Day after the last calendar day of such month and (ii) in the case of a month in which there is a Payment Date, on such Payment Date, the Issuer shall cause to be compiled and provided to the Servicer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares), the Placement Agents, each Hedge



Counterparty, the Rating Agencies, (if so requested by the Placement Agents) the Repository in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(viii) or each Holder of a Note who makes a written request therefor, and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, the Beneficial Owner (or its designee), a monthly report (the "**Monthly Report**"). Each Monthly Report shall be accompanied by a Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice. The Monthly Report shall contain the following information, determined as of (1) in the case of a month in which there is no Payment Date, the last day of the applicable month and (2) in the case of a month in which there is a Payment Date, the Determination Date for such Payment Date, based in part on information provided by the Servicer (the "**Monthly Determination Date**"):

(i) *Collateral:*

(A) The Aggregate Principal Balance (and, in the case of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its funded and unfunded amount), interest rate, Stated Maturity and obligor of each Collateral Obligation;

(B) The stated principal balance of Defaulted Collateral Obligations;

(C) The identity of all Collateral Obligations and all obligations that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange do not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that were released for sale or other disposition (and, for each obligation sold, indicating whether sold as a Credit Risk Obligation, a Credit Improved Obligation, a Current-Pay Obligation, a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, a Workout Asset or an obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation or whether sold in connection with any withholding tax pursuant to Section 12.1(e) or sold as a discretionary sale pursuant to Section 12.1(h)); and the identity of all Collateral Obligations that were acquired, in each case since the date of the previous Monthly Report;

(D) The obligor of each Workout Asset;

(E) The Purchase Price of each Collateral Obligation acquired, the sale price of each Collateral Obligation sold (or the adjusted purchase or sale price with respect to any exchange of securities requiring an allocation by the Servicer) since the date of the previous Monthly Report, and the gain or loss (measured against its Purchase Price) on each sale;

(F) The identity of each Collateral Obligation (1) that is a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, a Workout Asset or a PIK Security, and in the case of a PIK Security (i) the principal amount of previously deferred or capitalized interest and (ii) the change in the principal amount of previously deferred or capitalized interest since the most recent Monthly Report or (2) in respect of which an obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation has been received, in each case indicating the date of such default, as applicable, and reporting any Other Indebtedness, as defined in clause (ii) in the definition of "Defaulted Collateral Obligation," that the Servicer has determined not to be material;

(G) The S&P Industry Classification and the Moody's Industry Classification for each Collateral Obligation and the five highest concentrations of Collateral Obligations in the Moody's Industry Classification groups and the five

highest concentrations of Collateral Obligations in the S&P Industry Classification groups;

(H) For each Collateral Obligation, the country of the obligor (and the related foreign currency debt rating) and, in the case of a country other than the United States of America, whether the obligor is Domiciled in a Moody's Group I Country, Moody's Group II Country, or Moody's Group III Country and the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations issued by issuers in the applicable country;

(I) For each Collateral Obligation, the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate and S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate;

(J) For each Collateral Obligation, the S&P Rating, and if any S&P Rating for any Collateral Obligation in any Monthly Report is a credit estimate, "non-public" rating or "shadow" rating, the rating shall not be disclosed, but shall be replaced with an asterisk in the place of the applicable credit estimate, "non-public" rating or "shadow" rating;

(K) For each Collateral Obligation, the Moody's Rating and the Moody's Rating Factor, determined, for this purpose, and set forth both with and without regard to whether the Collateral Obligation has been put on watch for possible upgrade or downgrade, and if any Moody's Rating for any Collateral Obligation in any Monthly Report is an "estimated" or "shadow" rating, the rating shall not be disclosed, but shall be replaced with an asterisk in the place of the applicable "estimated" or "shadow" rating;

(L) The Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that have a Moody's Rating of "Caa1" or lower;

(M) The Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that have an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower;

(N) For each Collateral Obligation that is a Participation or a Synthetic Security or is loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement, the related Secondary Risk Counterparty and each Rating Agency's long-term unsecured debt rating of the Secondary Risk Counterparty;

(O) Certain S&P benchmarks relating to the portfolio as provided by S&P in the S&P CDO Monitor regardless whether or not the S&P CDO Monitor passes or fails, including (1) S&P Default Measure (Annualized Portfolio Default Rate), (2) S&P Variability Measure (Annualized Standard Deviation of Portfolio Default Rate), (3) S&P Correlation Measure (Ratio of Standard Deviation of Portfolio with Correlation to Standard Deviation of Portfolio without Correlation) and (4) Weighted Average Default Correlation;

(P) The identity and Market Value of each Collateral Obligation whose Market Value (in the determination of the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator) was determined pursuant to last proviso in the definition of "Market Value";

(Q) The identity of each Collateral Obligation participated from or entered into with a Secondary Risk Counterparty; and

(R) The identity of each Collateral Obligation owned by the Issuer that has not been disposed of within the time limits required by this Indenture.

(ii) *Accounts:*

(A) The amount of any proceeds in the Collection Account, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds (excluding unapplied proceeds), and unapplied proceeds;

(B) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Revolving Reserve Account;

(C) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account;

(D) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account;

(E) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Securities Lending Account; and

(F) The amount of any proceeds in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account;

(iii) *Hedge Agreements:*

(A) The outstanding notional amount of each Hedge Agreement; and

(B) The amount scheduled to be received and paid by the Issuer pursuant to each Hedge Agreement on the next Payment Date (as specified by the calculation agent under each Hedge Agreement);

(iv) *Coverage Tests, Collateral Quality Tests and Retention Overcollateralization Test:*

(A) The Overcollateralization Ratios and the Overcollateralization Ratios as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date; a statement as to whether each of the Overcollateralization Tests is satisfied and a statement as to whether the Retention Overcollateralization Test is satisfied;

(B) The Interest Coverage Ratios and, on and after the second Payment Date, a statement as to whether each of the Interest Coverage Tests is satisfied;

(C) The Diversity Score and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Diversity Test is satisfied;

(D) The Weighted Average Life of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied;

(E) The Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate, the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test with respect to the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate and Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test with respect to the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate is satisfied;

(F) The Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied and a statement as to the amount of Spread Excess was used to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test;

(G) The Weighted Average Spread of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied and a statement as to the amount of Fixed Rate Excess was used to satisfy the Weighted Average Spread Test;

(H) The Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied; and

(I) The S&P CDO Monitor Test and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied and the Class Scenario Loss Rate and the then applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate with respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P and the adjusted Weighted Average Spread level determined as set forth in the definition of "Note Break-Even Loss Rate";

(v) *Concentration Limitations and Withholding Taxes:*

(A) The percentage of the Maximum Amount itemized against each element of the Concentration Limitations and a statement as to whether each Concentration Limitation is satisfied; and

(B) Any withholding tax on payments under any Collateral Obligation;

(vi) *Securities Lending Agreements:*

(A) Each Collateral Obligation loaned or borrowed pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and the percentage of the Maximum Amount that represents Collateral Obligations that are loaned or borrowed pursuant to Securities Lending Agreements; and

(B) With respect to each Securities Lending Agreement in effect as of the Monthly Determination Date, a list setting forth:

- (1) for each Collateral Obligation loaned or borrowed under it as of the first day of the loan, (x) its Principal Balance, (y) its Market Value and (z) its Principal Balance expressed as a percentage of the Maximum Amount,
- (2) the term of the loan of the Collateral Obligation,
- (3) the expiration date of the Securities Lending Agreement,
- (4) the Moody's Rating and S&P Rating for each loaned or borrowed Collateral Obligation,
- (5) the principal amount of the related Securities Lending Collateral held in the Securities Lending Account, and
- (6) the Eligible Investments held as Securities Lending Collateral pursuant to the related Securities Lending Agreement; and
- (vii) Any other information the Trustee reasonably requests.

Upon receipt of each Monthly Report, the Trustee shall compare the information contained in the Monthly Report to the information contained in its records with respect to the Collateral and shall, within three Business Days after receipt of such Monthly Report, notify the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer if the information contained in the Monthly Report does not conform to the information maintained by the Trustee with respect to the Collateral, and shall detail any discrepancies. In the event that any discrepancy exists, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Servicer shall attempt to resolve the discrepancy. If such discrepancy cannot be promptly resolved, the Trustee shall within five Business Days after notification of such discrepancy cause the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8 to review such Monthly Report and the Trustee's records to determine the cause of such discrepancy. If such review reveals an error in the Monthly Report or the Trustee's records, the Monthly Report or the Trustee's records shall be revised accordingly and, as so revised, shall be used in making all calculations pursuant to this Indenture and notice of any error in the Monthly Report shall be sent as soon as practicable by the Issuer to all recipients of the report. If the review by the Independent accountants does not resolve the discrepancy, the Trustee, upon receipt of an Officer's certificate of the Servicer certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the information contained in the related Monthly Report is correct, shall conform the information it maintains to the Monthly Report received.

(b) *Payment Date Accounting.* The Issuer shall cause to be rendered an accounting report (the "**Valuation Report**"), determined as of the close of business on each Determination Date, and provided to the Servicer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares), the Issuer, the Placement Agents, each Hedge Counterparty, the Rating Agencies and each Noteholder (if so requested by the Placement Agents) the Repository in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(viii), the Depository (with instructions to forward it to each of its Agent Members who are Noteholders), and upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner and the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) not later than the second Business Day preceding the related Payment Date. Each Valuation Report shall be accompanied by a Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice. The Valuation Report shall contain the following information as of the related Payment Date (unless otherwise stated), based in part on information provided by the Servicer:

- (i) *Notes:*

(A) The amount of principal payments to be made on each Class of Notes on the related Payment Date;

(B) The Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes after giving effect to any principal payments on the related Payment Date and, for each Class of Notes, the percentage of its initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount that amount represents;

(C) For each Class of Notes, the percentage of the initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all of the Notes that its initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount represented and, after giving effect to any principal payments on the related Payment Date, the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all of the Notes that its Aggregate Outstanding Amount represents;

(D) The interest payable in respect of each Class of Notes on the related Payment Date (in the aggregate and by Class) and its calculation in reasonable detail; and

(E) The amounts to be paid, if any, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payments on the Preference Shares on the related Payment Date, showing separately the payments from Interest Proceeds and the payments from Principal Proceeds;

(ii) *Payment Date Payments:*

(A) The amounts to be distributed under each clause of Sections 11.1(a)(i), 11.1(a)(ii) and 11.2 itemized by clause, and to the extent applicable, by type of distribution under the clause; and

(B) Any amounts payable under the Hedge Agreements by any Hedge Counterparty on or before the related Payment Date and its calculation in reasonable detail (as specified by the calculation agent under the Hedge Agreement);

(iii) *Accounts:*

(A) The amount of any proceeds in the Collection Account, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds (excluding unapplied proceeds) and unapplied proceeds;

(B) The amount in the Collection Account after all payments and deposits to be made on the related Payment Date, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds and as Principal Proceeds;

(C) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Revolving Reserve Account;

(D) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account;

(E) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account;

(F) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Securities Lending Account;

(G) The amount in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account; and

(H) The amount in the Expense Reimbursement Account;

(iv) A notice setting forth LIBOR, as calculated by the Calculation Agent, for the next Interest Period and each Note Interest Rate for the next Payment Date; and

(v) Any other information the Trustee reasonably requests.

Upon receipt of each Valuation Report, the Trustee shall compare the information contained in the Valuation Report to the information contained in its records with respect to the Collateral and shall, within three Business Days after receipt of such Valuation Report, notify the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer if the information contained in the Valuation Report does not conform to the information maintained by the Trustee with respect to the Collateral, and shall detail any discrepancies. In the event that any discrepancy exists, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Servicer shall attempt to resolve the discrepancy. If such discrepancy cannot be promptly resolved, the Trustee shall within five Business Days after notification of such discrepancy cause the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8 to review such Valuation Report and the Trustee's records to determine the cause of such discrepancy. If such review reveals an error in the Valuation Report or the Trustee's records, the Valuation Report or the Trustee's records shall be revised accordingly and, as so revised, shall be used in making all calculations pursuant to this Indenture and notice of any error in the Valuation Report shall be sent as soon as practicable by the Issuer to all recipients of such report. If the review by the Independent accountants does not resolve the discrepancy, the Trustee, upon receipt of an Officer's certificate of the Servicer certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the information contained in the related Valuation Report is correct, shall conform the information it maintains to the Valuation Report received.

(c) *Failure to Provide Accounting.* If the Trustee shall not have received any accounting provided for in Section 10.6(b) on the first Business Day after the date on which the accounting is due to the Trustee, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Servicer, and the Servicer shall use all reasonable efforts to cause the accounting to be made by the applicable Payment Date. To the extent the Trustee is required to provide any information or reports pursuant to this Section 10.6 as a result of the failure of the Issuer (or anyone acting on the Issuer's behalf) to provide the information or reports, the Trustee may retain an Independent certified public accountant in connection therewith and the reasonable costs incurred by the Trustee for the Independent certified public accountant shall be reimbursed pursuant to Section 6.8.

(d) *Irish Stock Exchange.* So long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange: (i) the Trustee shall communicate to the Irish Stock Exchange the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each listed Class of Senior Notes following each Payment Date and inform the Irish Stock Exchange if any such Class of Senior Notes did not receive scheduled payments of principal or interest on the Payment Date; (ii) the Trustee shall inform the Irish Stock Exchange if the ratings assigned to the Senior Notes are reduced or withdrawn and the information shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange; and (iii) the Trustee shall inform the Irish Stock Exchange, in advance, of the Note Interest Rate for each such Class, as well as the exact date of the following Payment Date.

(e) *Quarterly Letter.* The Servicer shall provide a quarterly letter to the recipients of the Valuation Report highlighting events occurring during the related quarterly period within 30 days of the date of the delivery of the Valuation Report.

(f) *S&P CDO Monitor.* On or after the Ramp-Up Completion Date and together with each Monthly Report, the Issuer shall provide to S&P the Excel Default Model Input File and, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, the name of the obligor thereon, the CUSIP number thereof (if applicable) and the S&P Priority Category thereof.

(g) *Payments or Transfers from the Payment Account.* Each Valuation Report shall constitute instructions to the Trustee to withdraw on the related Payment Date from the Payment Account and pay or transfer amounts set forth in such Valuation Report in the manner specified and in accordance with the priority established in Section 11.1 hereof.

#### Section 10.7. *Release of Collateral.*

(a) The Trustee shall present Collateral for redemption or payment in full in accordance with the terms of the Collateral upon receipt of an Issuer Order. If no Event of Default is continuing, the Issuer may, by Issuer Order executed by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, delivered to the Trustee at least two Business Days before the settlement date for any sale of an obligation certifying that the sale of the Collateral is being made in accordance with Sections 12.1 and 12.3 and the sale complies with all applicable requirements of Section 12.1, direct the Trustee to release the Collateral and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall deliver any such Collateral, if in physical form, duly endorsed to the broker or purchaser designated in the Issuer Order or otherwise cause an appropriate transfer of it to be made, in each case against receipt of the sales price therefor as specified by the Servicer in the Issuer Order. The Trustee may deliver any such Collateral in physical form for examination pursuant to a bailee letter.

(b) The Trustee shall, upon an Issuer Order executed by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, deliver any Pledged Obligation that is set for any mandatory call or redemption or payment in full to the appropriate paying agent on or before the date set for the call, redemption or payment, in each case against receipt of its call or redemption price or payment in full and provide notice of it to the Servicer.

(c) Upon receiving actual notice of any Offer, the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer shall notify the Servicer of any Collateral Obligation that is subject to a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion or other similar action (an "*Offer*"). If no Event of Default is continuing, the Servicer may direct the Trustee (and if an Event of Default is continuing, the Servicer may advise, and the Trustee may, in consultation with the Servicer, decide) to accept or participate in or decline or refuse to participate in the Offer and, in the case of acceptance or participation, to dispose of the Collateral Obligation in accordance with the Offer against receipt of payment for it. If the consideration to be received by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation is other than Cash, the consideration must be a Collateral Obligation that would be eligible for purchase by the Issuer pursuant to Section 12.2 assuming for this purpose that the Issuer committed to purchase the same on the date on which the Issuer accepts the Offer.

(d) Upon disposition by the Trustee of Collateral to any Person against receipt of payment therefore as provided in any of the foregoing clauses (a), (b) or (c), the Collateral shall be free of the lien of this Indenture. The lien shall continue in the proceeds received from the disposition.



(e) As provided in Section 10.2(b), the Trustee shall deposit any proceeds received by it from the disposition of a Pledged Obligation in the Collection Account, unless simultaneously applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or Eligible Investments as permitted under and in accordance with the requirements of this Article 10 and Article 12.

(f) The Trustee shall, upon receipt of an Issuer Order when no Notes are Outstanding and all obligations of the Co-Issuers under this Indenture have been satisfied, as evidenced by an Officer's Certificate or an Opinion of Counsel, release any remaining Collateral from the lien of this Indenture.

(g) The Trustee shall release from the lien of this Indenture any Collateral that is provided directly to a Synthetic Security Counterparty or deposited in a segregated account in accordance with Section 10.5. Any Collateral or proceeds received by or redeposited by the Issuer into the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.5 shall again be subject to the lien of this Indenture.

Any collateral deposited in a segregated account in accordance with Section 10.3(d), (e), and (f) shall be subject to the lien of this Indenture for the benefit of the Secured Parties. Any collateral withdrawn by the Issuer in accordance with Section 10.3(d), (e), and (f) shall be released from the lien of this Indenture by the Trustee to the extent returned to the appropriate counterparty pursuant to Sections 10.3(d), (e) and (f).

#### Section 10.8. *Reports by Independent Accountants.*

(a) At the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall appoint a firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation for purposes of preparing and delivering the reports or certificates of the accountants required by this Indenture. Within 30 days of any resignation by the firm, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall promptly appoint by Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee and each Rating Agency a successor firm that is a firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation. If the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, fails to appoint a successor to a firm of Independent certified public accountants which has resigned within 30 days after the resignation, the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, shall promptly appoint a successor firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation. The fees of such Independent certified public accountants and their successors shall be payable by the Issuer as an Administrative Expense.

(b) On or before November 17 of each year commencing in 2007, the Issuer shall cause to be delivered to the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer or each Noteholder or Holder of Preference Shares upon written request therefor, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) and each Rating Agency a statement from a firm of Independent certified public accountants indicating (i) that the firm has reviewed each Valuation Report received since the last review and applicable information from the Trustee, (ii) that the calculations within those Valuation Reports have been performed in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture (except as otherwise noted in the statement) and (iii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the preceding Determination Date. If a conflict exists between the firm of Independent certified public accountants and the Issuer with respect to any matter in this Section 10.7, the determination by that firm of Independent public accountants shall be conclusive. The statement

shall be in the form of an Accountant's Certificate issued to the Issuer, the form of which shall be agreed on by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer.

(c) Upon the written request of the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any Holder of Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the firm of Independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to Section 10.7(a) to provide any Holder of Preference Shares with all information requested pursuant to Section 7.17(g) or provide the Issuer with any assistance required in its preparation.

#### Section 10.9. *Reports to Rating Agencies.*

In addition to the information and reports specifically required to be provided to each Rating Agency pursuant to this Indenture, the Issuer shall provide each Rating Agency with the Accountants' Certificates delivered to the Trustee under this Indenture, and such additional information as either Rating Agency may from time to time reasonably request. In addition, any notices of restructurings and amendments received by the Issuer or the Trustee in connection with the Issuer's ownership of a DIP Loan shall be delivered by the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) or the Trustee, as the case may be, promptly to the Rating Agencies.

### ARTICLE 11

#### APPLICATION OF MONIES

##### Section 11.1. *Disbursements of Monies from Payment Account.*

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision in this Indenture, but subject to the other subsections of this Section 11.1 and to Section 13.1, on each Payment Date, the Trustee shall disburse available amounts from the Payment Account as follows and for application by the Trustee in accordance with the following priorities (the "*Priority of Payments*"):

(i) On each Payment Date, Interest Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period (other than Interest Proceeds previously used during such Due Period to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations or otherwise used as permitted by Section 10.2) shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

(1) to the payment of any taxes and registration and filing fees owed by the Co-Issuers (without limit) and then to the payment of Administrative Expenses up to the Administrative Expense Cap as follows:

FIRST, in the following order of priority,

- (i) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Trustee; and then
- (ii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Collateral Administrator; and then
- (iii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Preference Shares Paying Agent; and

SECOND, in the following order of priority,

- (x) fees and expenses of the Administrator; and then

(y) fees and expenses of the Co-Issuers (including fees and expenses of counsel and surveillance, credit estimate, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies) and any other Person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for in this Indenture, and to the expenses (but not fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;

(2) the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts paid pursuant to clause (1) above to deposit into the Expense Reimbursement Account;

(3) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with Section 10.3(j) an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee then due and payable and SECOND, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause;

(4) to the payment of all amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements (if any) other than any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;

(5) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A Notes;

(6) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class B Notes;

(7) if the Class A/B Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the Note Payment Sequence in the amount necessary so that all of the Class A/B Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (7) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(1) on the current Payment Date);

(8) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class C Notes (excluding Class C Deferred Interest, but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class C Deferred Interest);

(9) if the Class C Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class C Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (9) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(2) on the current Payment Date);

(10) to the payment of Class C Deferred Interest;

(11) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class D Notes (excluding Class D Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class D Deferred Interest);

(12) if the Class D Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class D Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (12) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(5) on the current Payment Date);

(13) to the payment of Class D Deferred Interest;

(14) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class E Notes (excluding Class E Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class E Deferred Interest);

(15) if the Class E Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class E Notes in the amount necessary so that all of the Class E Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full, or if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that a Rating Confirmation is obtained, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (15) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(6) on the current Payment Date);

(16) to the payment of Class E Deferred Interest;

(17) to deposit in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds amounts representing Principal Proceeds previously used to pay amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (6), (8), (10), (11), (13), (14) and (16) above and not previously restored to the Collection Account or, if not restored to the Collection Account, used to purchase Collateral Obligations;

(18) during the Replacement Period, if the Retention Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, for deposit to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds the lesser of (i) 50% of the remaining Interest Proceeds available after the payments pursuant to clause (17) above and (ii) the amount necessary to cause the Retention Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as of such Determination Date, after application of funds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(1) on the current Payment Date;

(19) to the payment of any remaining Administrative Expenses not paid under clause (1) above in the respective priorities specified in clause (1);

(20) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with Section 10.3(j) an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee then due and payable and SECOND, to the payment (*pro*

*rata* according to the amounts payable under clauses (x) and (y) below) to: (x) the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and (y) *pro rata* to each Noteholder entitled thereto, the applicable Extension Bonus Payment pursuant to, and in accordance with, Section 2.4(g);

(21) to the payment of any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;

(22) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0%;

(23) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with Section 10.3(j) of an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) the Supplemental Servicing Fee, if applicable and SECOND, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Supplemental Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and

(24) any remaining Interest Proceeds, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares;

*provided* that, in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds referred to under clauses (22) and (24) above, in whole or in part on any Payment Date, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute any Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be due and payable on such Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to any such Payment Date shall be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution in accordance with Priority of Payments on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be increased accordingly.

(ii) On each Payment Date, Principal Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period other than:

(A) Principal Proceeds previously used to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or otherwise used as permitted by Section 10.2,

(B) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, or the Securities Lending Account, and

(C) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed Purchase Prices for Collateral Obligations with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment before the end of the Due Period for their purchase, but has not settled the purchase by the end of the Due Period,

shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

(1) (x) FIRST, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (6) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (y) SECOND, to the payment of amounts referred to in clause (7) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class A/B Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (1), or until such amounts are paid in full;

(2) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (8) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(3) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (9) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class C Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (3), or until such amounts are paid in full;

(4) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (10) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(5) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (11) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(6) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (12) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class D Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (6), or until such amounts are paid in full;

(7) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (13) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(8) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (14) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(9) to the payment of principal of the Notes in the Note Payment Sequence in an amount necessary to (A) cause the Class E Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (9), or until paid in full or (B) if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, obtain a Rating Confirmation, or until paid in full;

(10) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (16) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(11)

(A) if the Payment Date is a Redemption Date in the following order of priority: (i) to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of the Redemption Prices of all of the Notes to be redeemed, (ii) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (19) through (23) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (iii) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares of the Redemption Price of any Preference Shares to be redeemed; and

(B) if the Payment Date is a Special Redemption Date, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of the Notes in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount, in each case until paid in full;

(12) during the Replacement Period, all remaining Principal Proceeds to the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.19 and Article 12 (and, until so applied (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), to be deposited in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds);

(13) after the Replacement Period, (i) FIRST, at the discretion of the Servicer (with respect to Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations) to the purchase or funding of additional or replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the applicable provisions of this Indenture when appropriate Collateral Obligations are available, and until such time, to the Collection Account for the purchase of Eligible Investments; and (ii) SECOND, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of Notes until paid in full;

(14) to the extent not previously paid in full under clause (11) above, after the Replacement Period, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (19) through (23) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; and

(15) after the Replacement Period to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

(b) If on any Payment Date the amount available in the Payment Account is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by the Valuation Report, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for in the order and according to the priority under Section 11.1(a), subject to Section 13.1, to the extent funds are available therefor.

(c) The Trustee shall remit funds to pay Administrative Expenses of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in accordance with Section 11.1(a), to the extent available, to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer as

directed and designated in an Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions) delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before each Payment Date.

(d) If the Hedge Counterparty defaults in the payment of its obligations to the Issuer under the respective Hedge Agreements on the date on which any payment is due thereunder, the Trustee shall make a demand on the Hedge Counterparty, or any guarantor, if applicable, demanding payment by 12:30 p.m., New York time, on that date. The Trustee shall give notice to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer and each Rating Agency upon the continuing failure by the Hedge Counterparty to perform its obligations during the two Business Days following a demand made by the Trustee on, the Hedge Counterparty, and shall take the action with respect to the continuing failure as directed by the Servicer unless an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing in which case direction is to be taken pursuant to Section 5.13.

(e) Except as otherwise expressly provided in Section 11.1(a) above, if on any Payment Date, the amount available in the Payment Account from amounts received in the related Due Period is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by any numbered or lettered paragraph or clause of Section 11.1(a) to different Persons, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for by the paragraph or clause ratably in accordance with the respective amounts of the disbursements then payable, subject to Section 13.1, to the extent funds are available therefor.

## ARTICLE 12

### SALE OF COLLATERAL OBLIGATIONS; PURCHASE OF COLLATERAL OBLIGATIONS

#### Section 12.1. *Sales of Collateral Obligations.*

Subject to the satisfaction of the conditions specified in Section 10.6, Section 12.1 and Section 12.3 and if no Event of Default is continuing as evidenced by an Officer's Certificate of the Servicer provided to the Trustee, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset if the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that the sale meets the requirements of any one of paragraphs (a) through (i) of this Section 12.1. If the Issuer sells any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset during the Replacement Period, the proceeds shall be applied in accordance with Section 12.2.

(a) *Credit Risk Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Risk Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Risk Obligation in accordance with such direction. Following any sale of a Credit Risk Obligation pursuant to this Section 12.1(a), at the direction of the Servicer during the Replacement Period, the Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (to the extent the purchase is in the best interest of the Issuer) meeting the Eligibility Criteria with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Sale Proceeds received by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral Obligation sold. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount.

(b) *Credit Improved Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Improved Obligation if either:



(i) during the Replacement Period, the Servicer has identified in writing before the sale one or more specific manners in which it will be able, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria and the requirements set forth in Section 12.1(i), to cause the Issuer to use the Sale Proceeds (it being understood that such identification shall not be considered either a requirement or an assurance that any specified purchase will be consummated) to purchase one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Credit Improved Obligation by the end of the immediately succeeding Due Period (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest) which in aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Tests, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith being improved, (ii) the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests and Concentration Limitations being improved on a net basis in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased; or

(ii) after the Replacement Period, the Sale Proceeds received in respect of the Credit Improved Obligation are at least equal to its Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest;

and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Improved Obligation in accordance with such direction.

(c) *Non-Performing Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction. Non-Performing Collateral Obligations may be sold regardless of price.

(d) *Non-qualifying Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation (the “**Non-qualifying Collateral Obligation**”) at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell that obligation in accordance with such direction.

(e) *Withholding Tax Sales.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation subject to withholding tax at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction.

(f) *Optional Redemption.* After the Issuer has notified the Trustee of an Optional Redemption of the Notes in accordance with Article 9, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer

shall direct the Trustee to sell all or a portion of the Collateral Obligations as contemplated therein if (i) the requirements of Article 9 are satisfied and (ii) the Independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to Section 10.7 have confirmed the calculations contained in any required certificate furnished by the Servicer pursuant to Section 9.3(c). After a Majority of the Preference Shares have directed an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares in accordance with Section 9.2(b), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all of the remaining Collateral Obligations (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(i)) or a portion of the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous directions of Holders of the Preference Shares (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii)) and the Trustee shall sell the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

(g) *Rating Confirmation Failure.* After the Servicer has received notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Securities, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell Collateral Obligations as contemplated in Section 9.1 and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

(h) *Workout Assets.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Workout Asset at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and regardless of price and the Trustee shall sell the Workout Assets in accordance with such direction.

(i) *Supervening Requirement.* Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Issuer (at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise) shall not acquire or dispose of a Collateral Obligation or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. For the avoidance of doubt, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise, may direct the Trustee to sell any CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation or Deep Discount Obligation only (a) if it constitutes Credit Risk Obligation or Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or (b) in connection with the Optional Redemption as set out in paragraph (f) above. The Trustee shall have no obligation to monitor compliance by the Issuer or the Servicer with respect to the requirement set out in this paragraph (i).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation (other than the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation or a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation pursuant to a sale that meets the requirements in paragraph (a) or (c) above, as applicable) following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to Section 14 of the Servicing Agreement until a successor Servicer is appointed pursuant to Section 12 of the Servicing Agreement.

## Section 12.2. *Purchase of Collateral Obligations.*

(a) On any date during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, on any date after the Replacement Period), so long as no Event of Default is continuing, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to apply Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations) to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) if the Servicer

certifies to the Trustee that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the conditions specified in this Section 12.2 and Section 12.3 are met.

(b) *Eligibility Criteria.* No obligations may be purchased unless each of the conditions in the following clauses (i) through (xii) (the "*Eligibility Criteria*") is satisfied as evidenced by a certificate of the Servicer as of the date the Issuer commits to make the purchase, in each case after giving effect to the purchase and all other purchases and sales previously or simultaneously committed to:

- (i) the obligation is a Collateral Obligation;
- (ii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period:
  - (A) each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied and, if the commitment is made on or after the second Payment Date, each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied, or
  - (B) if any such Coverage Test is not satisfied, both:
    - (1) the extent of satisfaction of the Coverage Test is not reduced, and
    - (2) the Collateral Obligation is being purchased with Principal Proceeds other than:
      - (x) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, or
      - (y) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Workout Asset that has been received in exchange for a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
- (iii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Diversity Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (iv) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (v) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, each of the limits in the definition of "Concentration Limitations" is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (vi) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (vii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (viii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(ix) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(x) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(xi) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced; provided, however, that this Eligibility Criterion (xi) shall not apply either to the application of the proceeds from the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset or to the application of Principal Proceeds in respect of Defaulted Collateral Obligations; and

(xii) for any date occurring after the Replacement Period:

(A) each Coverage Test is satisfied and the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(B) each Collateral Quality Test is maintained or improved and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied;

(C) each Concentration Limitation is maintained or improved and the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Caa1 Collateral Obligations do not exceed 7.5% of the Maximum Amount;

(D) the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied;

(E) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation is at least equal to the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments or of the Credit Risk Obligations or Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable; and

(F) the current Moody's Ratings on the Class A Notes are "Aaa" and the current Moody's Ratings on the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes are no lower than one subcategory below their Initial Rating.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) one or more Collateral Obligations may be purchased pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange effected in compliance with Section 12.1(b) regardless of whether such purchase would otherwise satisfy the Eligibility Criterion set forth in clause (xii) above and (ii) the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to purchase any Collateral Obligation following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to Section 14 of the Servicing Agreement until a successor Servicer is appointed pursuant Section 12 of the Servicing Agreement. .

(c) *Certain Permitted Exchanges.* The Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, exchange a Collateral Obligation for another Collateral Obligation in an A/B Exchange.

(d) *Certification by Servicer.* Not later than the Business Day preceding the settlement date for any Collateral Obligation purchased after the Closing Date (but in any event no later than

the release of Cash for the Purchase Price of the purchase), the Servicer shall deliver to the Trustee an Officer's certificate of the Servicer certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the purchase complies with this Section 12.2 and with Section 12.3 (determined as of the date that the Issuer commits to make the purchase).

(e) *Eligible Investments.* Cash on deposit in the Collection Account may be held at any time in Eligible Investments in accordance with Section 10.4(a) pending the application thereof to purchase Collateral Obligations.

**Section 12.3. *Conditions Applicable to All Sale and Purchase Transactions.***

(a) Any sale or purchase by the Issuer of a Collateral Obligation shall be conducted on an arm's length basis and, if effected with the Servicer or a Person Affiliated with the Servicer or any fund or account for which the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer acts as investment adviser, shall be effected in accordance with the requirements of Section 5 of the Servicing Agreement on terms no less favorable to the Issuer than would be the case if the Person were not so Affiliated. The Trustee shall have no responsibility to oversee compliance with this clause (a) by the other parties.

(b) Upon any acquisition of any Collateral Obligation, all of the Issuer's interest in the Collateral Obligation shall be Granted to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture.

(c) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Article 12, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to sell or purchase any Collateral Obligation (other than the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation or a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation pursuant to Section 12.1(a) or (c), as applicable) following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to Section 14 of the Servicing Agreement until a successor Servicer is appointed pursuant to Section 12(e) of the Servicing Agreement.

**Section 12.4. *Certain Determinations Relating to Collateral Obligations.***

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Indenture, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have purchased any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to purchase, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to receive such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have acquired, granted or delivered, as the case may be, such Collateral Obligations on such date.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Indenture, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to sell, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to sell, and requiring the purchaser to purchase, such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold such Collateral Obligations on such date.

(c) Under the circumstances described in subsections (a) and (b) above, if the transaction contemplated by the contract, commitment letter, confirmation or due bill referred to therein does not settle on or before the 60th day following the scheduled settlement date (the "**Deadline**"), the deemed purchase or sale shall be deemed not to have occurred; provided, however, that the Servicer shall have the right to extend the Deadline for an additional period (not to exceed an additional 60 days) by notice to the Trustee, which notice shall include the Servicer's certification

to the effect that the Servicer believes that the settlement shall occur on or before the extended Deadline.

(d) Scheduled distributions with respect to any Pledged Collateral Obligation shall be determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture.

## ARTICLE 13

### NOTEHOLDERS' RELATIONS

#### Section 13.1. *Subordination.*

(a) With respect to each Class of Notes and the Preference Shares, the Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares that are Priority Classes and Junior Classes are as follows:

Class	Junior Classes	Priority Classes
Class A	B, C, D, E, Preference Shares*	None
Class B	C, D, E, Preference Shares*	Class A
Class C	D, E, Preference Shares*	Class A, B
Class D	E, Preference Shares*	Class A, B, C
Class E	Preference Shares*	Class A, B, C, D
Preference Shares	None**	Class A, B, C, D, E

\* Other than with respect to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, which may be payable to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as set forth herein and will have priority to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

\*\* The Preference Shares will be entitled to certain residual cash flow after payment of senior obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

(b) Anything in this Indenture or the Notes to the contrary notwithstanding, the Holders of each Class of Notes that is a Junior Class agree for the benefit of the Holders of Notes of each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class that the Junior Class shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes of each Priority Class to the extent and in the manner provided in this Indenture. If any Event of Default has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs and is continuing in accordance with Article 5, each Priority Class of Notes shall be paid in full in Cash or, to the extent a Majority of each Class consents, other than in Cash, before any further payment or distribution is made on account of any Junior Class of Notes with respect to the Priority Class. The Holders of each Junior Class of Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of Notes of each Priority Class in respect of the Junior Class, not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for failure to pay to them amounts due to the Junior Class, of the Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or under this Indenture until the payment in full of the Priority Classes or all the Classes, as the case may be, and not before one year and a day, or if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, has elapsed since the payment.

(c) If, notwithstanding the provisions of this Indenture, any Holder of Notes of any Junior Class has received any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes contrary to the provisions of this Indenture, then, until each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class of Notes

or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, has been paid in full in Cash or, to the extent a Majority of the Priority Class or the Class, as the case may be, consents, other than in Cash in accordance with this Indenture, the payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, which shall pay and deliver the same to the Holders of the applicable Priority Classes of Notes or the Holders of all Classes of Notes, as the case may be, in accordance with this Indenture. If any such payment or distribution is made other than in Cash, it shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and subject in all respects to this Indenture, including this Section 13.1.

(d) Each Holder of Notes of any Junior Class agrees with all Holders of the applicable Priority Classes that the Holder of Junior Class Notes shall not demand, accept, or receive any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes in violation of this Indenture including this Section 13.1. After a Priority Class has been paid in full, the Holders of Notes of the related Junior Class or Classes shall be fully subrogated to the rights of the Holders of the Priority Class. Nothing in this Section 13.1 shall affect the obligation of the Issuer to pay Holders of any Junior Class of Notes.

(e) Distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) are subordinate to distributions on the Notes as described in the Priority of Payments.

(f) The Servicing Fees shall have priority only to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

#### Section 13.2. ***Standard of Conduct.***

In exercising any of its or their voting rights, rights to direct and consent, or any other rights as a Noteholder under this Indenture, a Noteholder shall not have any obligation or duty to any Person or to consider or take into account the interests of any Person and shall not be liable to any Person for any action taken by it or them or at its or their direction or any failure by it or them to act or to direct that an action be taken, without regard to whether the action or inaction benefits or adversely affects any Noteholder, the Issuer or any other Person, except for any liability to which the Noteholder may be subject to the extent the same results from the Noteholder's taking or directing an action, or failing to take or direct an action, in bad faith or in violation of the express terms of this Indenture.

### ARTICLE 14

#### MISCELLANEOUS

##### Section 14.1. ***Form of Documents Delivered to Trustee.***

In any case where several matters are required to be certified by, or covered by an opinion of, any specified Person, it is not necessary that all the matters be certified by, or covered by the opinion of, only one Person, or that they be so certified or covered by only one document, but one such Person may certify or give an opinion with respect to some matters and one or more other such Persons as to other matters, and any such Person may certify or give an opinion as to the matters in one or several documents.

Any certificate or opinion of an Officer of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Servicer may be based, insofar as it relates to legal matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, counsel, unless the Officer knows, or should know that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to the matters upon which his certificate or opinion is based are erroneous. Any such

certificate of an Officer of the Issuer, Co-Issuer or the Servicer or Opinion of Counsel may be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or any other Person, stating that the information with respect to the factual matters is in the possession of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or the other Person, unless the Officer of the Issuer, Co-Issuer or the Servicer or the counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to factual matters are erroneous. Any Opinion of Counsel may also be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, an Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, stating that the information with respect to factual matters is in the possession of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, unless the counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to factual matters are erroneous.

Where any Person is required to make, give, or execute two or more applications, requests, consents, certificates, statements, opinions or other instruments under this Indenture, they may, but need not, be consolidated and form one instrument.

Whenever this Indenture provides that the absence of the continuation of a Default or Event of Default is a condition precedent to the taking of any action by the Trustee at the request or direction of either Co-Issuer, then notwithstanding that the satisfaction of the condition is a condition precedent to the Co-Issuer's right to make the request or direction, the Trustee shall be protected in acting in accordance with the request or direction if it does not have knowledge of the continuation of the Default or Event of Default as provided in Section 6.1(d).

#### Section 14.2. *Acts of Holders of Securities.*

(a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or taken by Holders of Securities may be embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments (which may be an electronic document, including, but not limited, to in the form of e-mail, to the extent permitted by applicable law) of substantially similar tenor signed by Holders of Securities in Person or by agents duly appointed in writing (provided that no signature shall be required on electronic documents, including, but not limited to, in the form of e-mail to the extent permitted by law). Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, the action shall become effective when the instruments are delivered to the Trustee (which instrument or instruments may be delivered through the Preference Shares Paying Agent, in the case of the Holders of the Preference Shares) and, if expressly required, to the Issuer. The instruments (and the action embodied in them) are referred to as the "*Act*" of the Holders of Securities signing the instruments. Proof of execution of any instrument or of a writing appointing an agent for a Holder of a Security shall be sufficient for any purpose of this Indenture and conclusive in favor of the Trustee and the Issuer, if made in the manner provided in this Section.

(b) The fact and date of the execution by any Person of any instrument may be proved by an affidavit of a witness to the execution or the certificate of any notary public or other Person authorized by law to acknowledge the execution of deeds. Any certificate on behalf of a jural entity executed by a Person purporting to have authority to act on behalf of the jural entity shall itself be sufficient proof of the authority of the Person executing it to act. The fact and date of the execution by any Person of any instrument may also be proved in any other manner that the Trustee deems sufficient.

(c) The Indenture Register shall prove the ownership of the Notes and the principal amount and registered numbers of Notes and the number of Preference Shares held by and the number(s) of the Preference Share certificate(s) issued to, any Person shall be proved by the Preference Share register.



(d) Any Act by the Holder of a Security shall bind every Holder of the same Security and every Security issued on its transfer or in exchange for it or in lieu of it, in respect of anything done, omitted or suffered to be done by the Trustee or the Issuer in reliance on the Act, whether or not notation of the action is made on the Securities.

(e) With respect to any time period or deadline to deliver any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other communication provided by this Indenture to be given by Holders of the Preference Shares, the Holders of Holding Preference Shares shall not be prejudiced by any delay in delivery of such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other communication from the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, Trustee or the Issuer, as the case may be. If any such Holder of Holding Preference Shares timely delivers such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other communication to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other communication shall be deemed to be timely delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, Trustee or the Issuer, as the case may be.

**Section 14.3. *Notices, etc., to Certain Persons or Parties.***

(a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, order, notice, consent, waiver, or Act of Holders of Securities or other documents provided or permitted by this Indenture to be made, given, or furnished to, or filed with:

(i) the Trustee or Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and made, given, furnished, or filed to and mailed, by certified mail, return receipt requested, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service guaranteeing next day delivery, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Trustee or Preference Shares Paying Agent addressed to it at its Corporate Trust Office, One Federal Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Mailcode: EX-MA-FED, Boston, Massachusetts, 02110, telecopy no. (866) 350-3148, Attention: CDO Unit—Red River CLO Ltd., or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto by the Trustee (any request, direction, order, notice or other communication from the Servicer to the Trustee under Article 12 (other than required certifications) may be by electronic mail, which shall be deemed to be in writing);

(ii) the Co-Issuers shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Issuer addressed to it at c/o Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited, P.O. Box 1234, Queensgate House, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, telecopy no. (345) 945-6265, Attention: The Directors, or to the Co-Issuer addressed to it at c/o National Corporate Research, Ltd., 615 South DuPont Highway, Dover, Delaware, 19901, telecopy no. (302) 738-7210, Attention: Donald J. Puglisi, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, with a copy to the Servicer at its address below;

(iii) the Servicer shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Servicer addressed to it at Two Galleria Tower, 13455 Noel Road, Suite 800, Dallas, Texas 75240, telecopy no. (972) 628-4147, Attention: James Dondero, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto;

(iv) the Placement Agents shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the IXIS Placement Agents addressed to them at 9 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street, 36<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10019, Attention: Structured Credit Products Group and 47 quai d' Austerlitz, 75648 Paris Cedex 13, France, respectively, or to the UBS Placement Agents addressed to them at 1285 Avenue of Americas, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10019, telecopy no. (212) 713-1489, Attention: CDO Group, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, and the Trustee by an Officer of the IXIS Placement Agents or UBS Placement Agents, as the case may be;

(v) any Hedge Counterparty shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered or sent by overnight courier service or by telecopy in legible form to the Hedge Counterparty addressed to it at the address specified in the relevant Hedge Agreement or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Issuer or the Trustee by the Hedge Counterparty;

(vi) the Rating Agencies shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to each Rating Agency addressed to it at Moody's Investors Service, Inc., 99 Church Street, New York, New York, 10007, Telecopy No. (212) 553-4170, cdomonitoring@moodys.com, Attention: CBO/CLO Monitoring and Standard & Poor's, 55 Water Street, 41st Floor, New York, New York 10041-0003, telecopy no. (212) 438-2664, Attention: Asset Backed-CBO/CLO Surveillance and each Monthly Report shall also be sent to S&P electronically to CDO\_Surveillance@standardandpoors.com;

(vii) the Administrator shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by facsimile in legible form, addressed to Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited, P.O. Box 1234, Queensgate House, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, telecopy no. (345) 949-9876, Attention: The Directors; or

(viii) the Repository shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if delivered to the Repository at CDO Library, c/o The Bond Market Association, 360 Madison Avenue, 18th Floor, New York, New York 10017, electronic mail address: admin@cdolibrary.com. Any document required to be delivered or made available to the Repository by the Trustee may be made available by providing the operator of the Repository with access to a website containing such document in a format that permits the user to download the document as a pdf file.

(b) If any provision in this Indenture calls for any notice or document to be delivered simultaneously to the Trustee and any other Person, the Trustee's receipt of the notice or document shall entitle the Trustee to assume that the notice or document was delivered to the other Person unless otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture.

(c) Any Holder or beneficial owner of any Class A Note may elect to acquire bond insurance, a surety bond, a credit default swap or similar credit enhancement supporting the payment of principal and/or interest on such Class A Note on terms and conditions acceptable to such Holder or beneficial owner and at the sole expense of such Holder or beneficial owner. On or after any such

acquisition, such Holder or beneficial owner may deliver notice (and if from a beneficial owner, any such notice shall include certification that such owner is a beneficial owner of the Class A Notes) to the Trustee in substantially the form of Exhibit K specifying the name and contact information of the insurer, surety, credit protection seller or enhancer of such Class A Note (each, an "Insurer"). After receipt of any such notice (in the form of Exhibit K) by the Trustee, the Trustee shall copy the related Insurer on all notices, reports or other documents delivered to the Noteholders.

**Section 14.4. *Notices to Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent; Waiver.***

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, where this Indenture provides for notice to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) of any event,

(a) the notice shall be sufficiently given to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, each Noteholder affected by the event, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, at the address of the Holder as it appears in the Indenture Register, at the address of the Preference Shares Paying Agent supplied by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Trustee or at the address of the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent supplied by the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Trustee, as applicable, not earlier than the earliest date and not later than the latest date, prescribed for the giving of the notice; and

(b) the notice shall be in the English language.

Notices shall be deemed to have been given on the date of their mailing.

Notwithstanding clause (a), a Noteholder, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent may give the Trustee a written notice that it is requesting that notices to it be given by facsimile transmissions and stating the telecopy number for the transmission. Thereafter, the Trustee shall give notices to the Holder, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent by facsimile transmission. If the notice also requests that notices be given by mail, then the notice shall also be given by mail in accordance with clause (a) above, as the case may be.

The Trustee shall deliver to the Noteholders any information or notice relating to this Indenture requested to be so delivered by at least 10% (by Aggregate Outstanding Amount) of the Holders of any Class of Notes at the expense of the Issuer. The Trustee shall deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent any information or notice that the Preference Shares Paying Agent certifies was requested to be so delivered by at least 10% (by Aggregate Outstanding Amount) of the Holders of the Preference Shares at the expense of the Issuer. The Trustee shall deliver to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent any information or notice that the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent certifies was requested to be so delivered by at least 10% (by Aggregate Outstanding Amount) of the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares at the expense of the Issuer.

Neither the failure to mail any notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Noteholder, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent shall affect the sufficiency of the notice with respect to other Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent. If it is impracticable to give the notice by mail of any event to Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent when the notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of

this Indenture because of the suspension of regular mail service as a result of a strike, work stoppage or similar activity or because of any other cause, then the notification to Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent as shall be made with the approval of the Trustee shall be a sufficient notification to the Holders for every purpose under this Indenture.

Where this Indenture provides for notice in any manner, the notice may be waived in writing by any Person entitled to receive the notice, either before or after the event, and the waiver shall be the equivalent of the notice. Waivers of notice by Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be filed with the Trustee but the filing shall not be a condition precedent to the validity of any action taken in reliance on the waiver.

So long as any Senior Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, all notices to Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Preference Shares) or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Holding Preference Shares) shall also be given to the Irish Paying Agent for publication in the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

The Issuer shall (and authorizes the Trustee to) deliver to the Placement Agents all periodic reports, notices, demands, and other written information delivered or received by the Issuer, the Servicer, trustees, paying agents, accountants, or other Persons pursuant to this Indenture and other operative documentation relating to the Notes requested by the Placement Agents (collectively, the "**Transaction Reports**") and the Issuer consents to the Placement Agents' providing Transaction Reports received by it to current and prospective investors in the Notes (including by means of electronic transmissions or posting the Transaction Reports on internet sites maintained by the Placement Agents or any of their Affiliates).

#### Section 14.5. ***Effect of Headings and Table of Contents.***

The Article and Section headings in this Indenture and the Table of Contents are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction of this Indenture.

#### Section 14.6. ***Successors and Assigns.***

All covenants and agreements in this Indenture by the Co-Issuers shall bind their respective successors and assigns, whether so expressed or not.

#### Section 14.7. ***Separability.***

Except to the extent prohibited by applicable law, in case any provision in this Indenture, in the Notes shall be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the validity, legality, and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

#### Section 14.8. ***Benefits of Indenture.***

Nothing in this Indenture or in the Notes, expressed or implied, shall give to any Person, other than the parties hereto and their successors under this Indenture, the Servicer, the Noteholders, the Holders of Preference Shares or the Preference Shares Paying Agent any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under this Indenture.

Section 14.9. ***Legal Holidays.***

If any Payment Date, Redemption Date, or Stated Maturity is not a Business Day, then notwithstanding any other provision of the Notes or this Indenture, payment need not be made on that date, but shall be made on the next Business Day with the same effect as if made on the nominal date of the Payment Date, Redemption Date or Stated Maturity date, as the case may be, and except as provided in the definition of "Due Period," no interest shall accrue on the payment for the period beginning on the nominal date.

Section 14.10. ***Governing Law.***

THIS INDENTURE AND EACH NOTE SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS PROVISIONS THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION.

Section 14.11. ***Submission to Jurisdiction.***

The Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or federal court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Securities or this Indenture, and the Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably agree that all claims in respect of the action or proceeding may be heard and determined in the New York State or federal court. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably waive, to the fullest extent that they may legally do so, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of the action or proceeding. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee irrevocably consent to the service of all process in any action or proceeding by the mailing or delivery of copies of the process to the Co-Issuers at the office of U.S. Bank Trust National Association (to the attention of U.S. Bank National Association, Trustee for Red River CLO Ltd.) set out in Section 7.2. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee agree that a final judgment in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

Section 14.12. ***Counterparts.***

This Indenture may be executed in any number of copies, and by the different parties on the same or separate counterparts, each of which shall be considered to be an original instrument.

Section 14.13. ***Acts of Issuer.***

Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or performed by the Issuer shall be effective if given or performed by the Issuer or by the Servicer on the Issuer's behalf.

Section 14.14. ***Consent of Posting of Documents on Repository.***

The Issuer hereby consents to (a) the posting of the final Offering Memorandum, this Indenture and the periodic reports to be delivered pursuant to the transaction documents and any amendments or other modifications thereto on the Repository for use in the manner provided in the Repository and (b) the display of its name on the Repository in connection therewith. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Trustee makes any representation or warranty to The Bond Market Association (or any successor thereto) or any affiliate thereof or any Person having or obtaining access to the information maintained in the

Repository or to any of such Person's affiliates regarding the accuracy or completeness of any information, document, report or other communication transmitted to the Repository, and no Person having or obtaining access to the information maintained in the Repository shall have any rights under this Indenture or otherwise by reason of the transmission of any such information, document, report or other communication to the Repository.

**Section 14.15. *Liability of Co-Issuers.***

Notwithstanding any other terms of this Indenture, the Notes or any other agreement entered into by either of the Co-Issuers or otherwise, neither of the Co-Issuers shall have any liability whatsoever to the other of the Co-Issuers under this Indenture, the Notes, any other agreement, or otherwise. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, neither of the Co-Issuers may take any action to enforce, or bring any action or proceeding, in respect of this Indenture, the Notes, any other agreement, or otherwise against the other of the Co-Issuers. In particular, neither of the Co-Issuers may petition or take any other steps for the winding up or bankruptcy of the other of the Co-Issuers and neither of the Co-Issuers shall have any claim with respect to any assets of the other of the Co-Issuers.

**Section 14.16. *Indemnity of Co-Issuer.***

The Issuer agrees to indemnify the Co-Issuer for any payments that may become due from the Co-Issuer under Article 11 with respect to any Notes issued under this Indenture and any administrative, legal, or other costs incurred by the Co-Issuer in connection with those payments.

**ARTICLE 15**

**ASSIGNMENT OF SERVICING AGREEMENT; HEDGE AGREEMENTS**

**Section 15.1. *Assignment of Servicing Agreement; Amendment of Servicing Agreement.***

(a) The Issuer, in furtherance of the covenants of this Indenture and as security for the Notes and amounts payable to the Secured Parties under this Indenture and the performance and observance of the provisions of this Indenture, acknowledges that its Grant pursuant to the first Granting Clause includes all of the Issuer's interest in the Servicing Agreement, including:

- (i) the right to give all notices, consents and releases under it,
- (ii) the right to give all notices of termination pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and to take any legal action upon the breach of an obligation of the Servicer under it, including the commencement, conduct and consummation of proceedings at law or in equity,
- (iii) the right to receive all notices, accountings, consents, releases and statements under it, and
- (iv) the right to do all other things whatsoever that the Issuer is or may be entitled to do under it.

Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, the Trustee may not exercise any of the rights in (i) through (iv) above or that may otherwise arise as a result of the Grant until the occurrence of an Event of Default under this Indenture and the authority shall terminate when the Event of Default is cured or waived.

(b) The assignment made hereby is executed as security, and the execution and delivery hereby shall not in any way impair or diminish the obligations of the Issuer under the Servicing Agreement, nor shall any of the obligations contained in the Servicing Agreement be imposed on the Trustee.

(c) Upon the retirement of the Notes and the release of the Collateral from the lien of this Indenture, this assignment, and all rights in this Indenture assigned to the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders shall cease and terminate and all the interest of the Trustee in the Servicing Agreement shall revert to the Issuer and no further instrument or act shall be necessary to evidence the termination and reversion.

(d) The Issuer represents that the Issuer has not executed any other assignment of the Servicing Agreement.

(e) The Issuer agrees that this assignment is irrevocable, and that it shall not take any action that is inconsistent with this assignment or make any other assignment inconsistent herewith. The Issuer shall, from time to time upon the request of the Trustee, execute all instruments of further assurance and all such supplemental instruments with respect to this assignment as the Trustee may reasonably request.

(f) The Issuer agrees to obtain the agreement and consent of the Servicer in the Servicing Agreement to the following:

(i) the Servicer consents to this collateral assignment and agrees to perform any provisions of this Indenture made expressly applicable to the Servicer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement.

(ii) the Servicer acknowledges that the Issuer is collaterally assigning all of its interest in the Servicing Agreement to the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties and the Servicer agrees that all of the representations, covenants and agreements made by the Servicer in the Servicing Agreement are also for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

(iii) the Servicer shall deliver to the Trustee duplicate original copies of all notices, statements, communications and instruments delivered or required to be delivered to the Issuer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement (other than any of them delivered to the Issuer by the Trustee or the Collateral Administrator).

(iv) the procedure for amending the Servicing Agreement as set forth in Section 15.1(h) below.

(v) except as otherwise provided in this Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, subject to the resignation rights of the Servicer pursuant to Section 12 of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer shall continue to serve as Servicer under the Servicing Agreement notwithstanding that the Servicer shall not have received amounts due it under the Servicing Agreement because sufficient funds were not then available under this Indenture to pay the amounts pursuant to the Priority of Payments. The Servicer agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer for the nonpayment of the fees or other amounts payable by the Administrative Agent to the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement until the payment in full of all Notes issued under this Indenture and the payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent of all amounts payable with respect to the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the expiration of a period equal to the greater of (A) the applicable preference period plus one day or (B) one

year and one day following the payment. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Servicer may commence any legal action that is not a bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation or similar proceeding against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any of their properties and may take any action it deems appropriate at any time in any bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation or similar proceeding and any other Proceeding voluntarily commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or involuntarily commenced against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by anyone other than the Servicer or any Affiliate of the Servicer.

(vi) the Servicer irrevocably submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or federal court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Notes, the Preference Shares or this Indenture, and the Servicer irrevocably agrees that all claims in respect of the action or proceeding may be heard and determined in the New York State or federal court. The Servicer irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent it may legally do so, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of the action or proceeding. The Servicer irrevocably consents to the service of all process in any action or proceeding by the mailing or delivery of copies of the process to it the address provided for in Section 14.3. The Servicer agrees that a final and non-appealable judgment by a court of competent jurisdiction in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

(g) Following the resignation or removal of the Servicer, the Issuer shall use its best efforts to appoint a successor Servicer, and the Issuer, the Trustee, and the resigning or removed Servicer shall take any action consistent with the Servicing Agreement and this Indenture applicable to the Servicer, necessary to effectuate any such succession.

(h) (i) The Issuer may, at the request of the Servicer, enter into an amendment or modification of the Servicing Agreement from time to time, without the consent of the Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not the interests of the Holders of the Securities are adversely affected thereby; provided that, with respect to any such amendment or modification, (a) a Rating Condition is satisfied and (b) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares have not objected in writing to such amendment or modification prior to the relevant Objection Cut-Off Date (as defined below).

(ii) If at any time the Servicer desires to amend or modify the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer shall notify the Issuer and the Trustee, providing details of such proposed amendment or modification. Not later than five Business Days after receipt of such notice, the Trustee shall mail such notice to (a) each Noteholder at such Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as applicable, (b) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), (c) to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Holding Preference Shares) and (d) to each Rating Agency. If any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes or any Holder of the Preference Shares notifies, by delivering a written notice to the Trustee within 35 days after the Trustee has mailed such notice, that it objects to such proposed amendment or modification, the Trustee shall, within two Business Days after receiving such notice of objection, mail a notice of the receipt of such objection to the Issuer, the Servicer and other Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and other Holders of the Preference Shares. Each Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes and each Holder of the Preference Shares that also wishes to object to such amendment or modification must, by delivering a written notice, so notify the Trustee within seven Business Days after the Trustee has mailed such notice of the receipt of such objection (the last day of such seven



Business Day period, the "**Objection Cut-Off Date**"). If a Majority of either the Controlling Class of Notes or the Preference Shares notifies the Trustee in writing on or before the Objection Cut-Off Date that they object to the proposed amendment or modification to the Servicing Agreement, such amendment or modification shall not be made.

Section 15.2. ***Hedge Agreements.***

(a) At any time and from time to time after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall enter into the Hedge Agreements and shall assign its rights (but none of its obligations) under the Hedge Agreements to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture and the Collateral Assignment of Hedge Agreements. The Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall obtain the approval of each new Hedge Agreement from each Hedge Counterparty to a then-existing Hedge Agreement. The Trustee shall, on behalf of the Issuer and in accordance with the Valuation Report, pay amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements on any Payment Date in accordance with Section 11.1.

(b) The Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless at the time of entering the Hedge Agreement the Hedge Counterparty has:

(i) a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "Aa3" (which rating of "Aa3" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) or higher if the Hedge Counterparty has only a long-term rating; or a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "A1" (which rating of "A1" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) or higher and a debt rating by Moody's for short-term debt of "P-1" (which rating of "P-1" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) if the Hedge Counterparty has both long-term and short-term ratings; and

(ii) a short-term debt rating by S&P of not less than "A-1" or, if the Hedge Counterparty does not have a short-term debt rating by S&P, a long-term debt rating of not less than "A+" (the "**Required Rating**").

(c) If at any time a Hedge Counterparty has:

(A) no short-term Moody's rating and a long-term Moody's rating and that rating is below "Aa3" or is "Aa3" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's; or

(B) both a short-term and long-term Moody's rating; and either:

(i) the long-term Moody's rating is below "A1" or that rating is "A1" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's, or

(ii) the short-term Moody's rating is below "P-1" or that rating is "P-1" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's

then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within 30 days, either:

- (i) post collateral with the Trustee to secure the Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement, in an amount and of the type sufficient to cause the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's to be satisfied;
    - (ii) obtain a guarantor whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the above criteria;
    - (iii) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the above criteria; or
    - (iv) take other actions to satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's;
  - (d) If at any time the Hedge Counterparty has:
    - (A) no short-term Moody's rating and a long-term Moody's rating that is "A2" or below or has been suspended or withdrawn;
    - (B) both a short-term and long-term Moody's rating; and either:
      - (i) the long-term Moody's rating is "A3" or below or is suspended or withdrawn, or
      - (ii) the short-term Moody's rating is "P-2" or below, or
    - (C) a short-term debt rating by S&P below "A-1" or, if the Hedge Counterparty has no short-term rating by S&P, a long-term rating by S&P below "A+" or that has been suspended or withdrawn;
- then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within 30 days, either:
- (i) post collateral as required by the Hedge Agreement to secure the Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement in an amount and of the type sufficient to cause the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's and S&P to be satisfied; provided that the Hedge Counterparty shall, at the time such collateral is first posted, deliver to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Rating Agencies an Opinion of Counsel of nationally recognized standing in the jurisdiction in which the Hedge Counterparty is incorporated confirming that such collateral will be available in a timely manner upon a bankruptcy of the Hedge Counterparty; or
    - (ii) (x) obtain a guarantor that has a Required Rating and that will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P with respect to its appointment;

(y) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has a Required Rating and the appointment of which will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P; or

(z) take such other actions to satisfy the Ratings Condition;

provided that failure to take any such steps set forth under paragraphs (i) and (ii) above shall be treated as an "Additional Termination Event" under such Hedge Agreement.

Whenever the Issuer enters into a Hedge Agreement, the Hedge Counterparty shall comply with the then currently applicable rating criteria published by each Rating Agency from time to time.

(e) If at any time the Hedge Counterparty has a long-term unsecured debt rating by S&P below "BBB-," then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required to replace itself within 30 days under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has a Required Rating and the appointment of which will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P; provided that failure to do so shall be treated as an "Additional Termination Event" under such Hedge Agreement.

(f) If the Issuer has the right under a Hedge Agreement at any time to demand that the related Hedge Counterparty deliver Eligible Collateral in accordance with an Approved Credit Support Document, the Issuer shall make the demand.

(g) Any payments required to be made under the Hedge Agreements shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Subordinated Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments shall be subordinate to interest and principal payments on the Notes and any other payments required to be made by the Issuer under the Hedge Agreements, but senior to distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares.

(h) Except as provided in paragraph (i) of this Section 15.2, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall, promptly following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) (but no later than 60 days after the early termination), at the expense of the Hedge Counterparty and to the extent possible through application of Hedge Termination Receipts, enter into a Replacement Hedge, unless, in the exercise of the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment, to do so would not be in the best interest of the Issuer and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the non-entry into the a Replacement Hedge. In addition, a Replacement Hedge may not be entered into unless the Issuer provides the Rating Agencies with at least seven Business Days' prior written notice of its intention to enter into the agreement, together with its form and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the Replacement Hedge. The Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than a termination resulting from the bankruptcy, insolvency, or similar event with respect to the Hedge Counterparty) to become effective simultaneously with its entering into a Replacement Hedge. To the extent that (i) the Servicer determines not to replace the Hedge Agreement and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the determination or (ii) termination is occurring on a Redemption Date, the Hedge Termination Receipts shall become part of Principal Proceeds and be distributed in accordance with Section 11.1 on the next following Payment Date (or on the Redemption Date, if the Notes are redeemed on the Redemption Date).

(i) Notwithstanding Section 15.2(h), the applicable requirements of Section 15.2(h) shall not have to be met if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is otherwise satisfied with respect thereto.

(j) The notional amounts of the Hedge Agreements outstanding at any time may be reduced or increased from time to time, by the Issuer, and the Hedge Agreements may be amended, modified or terminated in accordance with the Hedge Agreements if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the reduction, increase, amendment, modification or termination, as the case may be.

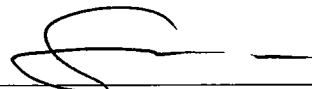
(k) Each Hedge Agreement may be terminated pursuant to its terms upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes or an acceleration of maturity of the Notes after an Event of Default. The Hedge Agreement will not be permitted to be terminated as the result of a Default or Event of Default unless any acceleration of maturity of the Notes resulting from the Event of Default is no longer permitted to be rescinded pursuant to this Indenture.

(l) Except for Hedge Agreements entered into on or before the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have set our hands as of the day and year first written above.

EXECUTED AS A DEED BY

**RED RIVER CLO LTD.,**  
AS ISSUER

By:   
Name: **SCOTT DAKERS**  
Title: *Director*

**RED RIVER CLO CORP.,**  
AS CO-ISSUER

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

**U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,**  
AS TRUSTEE AND AS CUSTODIAN

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
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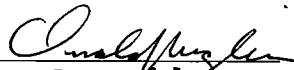
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Name:  
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**RED RIVER CLO CORP.,**  
AS CO-ISSUER

By:   
Name: **Donald J. Puglisi**  
Title: **President**

**U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,**  
AS TRUSTEE AND AS CUSTODIAN

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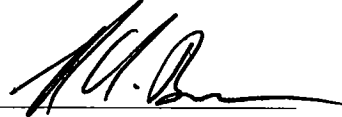
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AS TRUSTEE AND AS CUSTODIAN

By:   
Name: **Thomas H. Belcher**  
Title: **Vice President**

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Title: **Vice President**

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**SCHEDULES**



Schedule 1

**List of Collateral Obligations**

<b>Issuer</b>	<b>Asset</b>	<b>Commitment Trade</b>
Acosta, Inc.	Term Loan	4,000,000.00
Acoustical Material Services	Term Loan	3,701,847.10
Affiliated Computer Services, Inc. (ACS)	Term Loan B	3,980,000.00
AGY Holding Corp (fka Advanced Glassfiber Yarns)	First Lien Term Loan	5,985,000.00
Alaska Communications Systems Holdings, Inc.	2006 Incremental Term Loan	1,125,000.00
Alaska Communications Systems Holdings, Inc.	Term Loan	1,000,000.00
Alion Science and Technology Corporation	Incremental Term Loan	3,491,250.00
Alliance Imaging, Inc.	Tranche C1 Term Loan	4,886,950.31
Almatris Holdings 4 B.V.	US\$ Facility A2	2,352,385.32
Almatris US Holding Inc.	Facility B3	2,561,926.61
Almatris US Holding Inc.	Facility C3	2,561,926.61
Alon USA Energy, Inc.	Edgington Facility	555,555.56
Alon USA Energy, Inc.	Paramount Facility	4,444,444.44
American Airlines, Inc.	Term Facility	4,056,500.00
Ameritrade Holding Corporation	Term B Advance	7,481,250.00
Amscan Holdings, Inc.	Term Loan B	1,995,000.00
Anchor Glass Container Corporation	Term Facility	3,000,000.00
Angiotech Pharmaceuticals (US), Inc.	Term Loan	1,823,913.16
Aspect Software, Inc.	Second Lien Term Loan	2,000,000.00
Astoria Generating Company Acquisitions, LLC	First Lien Term Loan B	753,344.95
Astoria Generating Company Acquisitions, LLC	Term Letter of Credit	177,664.98
Audatex North America, Inc. (CSG US Buyco and ABZ	1st Lien Domestic Term Loan	5,000,000.00
Avis Budget Car Rental, LLC	Term Loan	978,571.43
AWAS Capital, Inc.	First Priority Term Loan	7,180,059.68
AWAS Capital, Inc.	Second Priority Term Loan	2,473,976.59
Babcock & Wilcox Company, The	Synthetic LC	3,000,000.00
Bare Escentuals Beauty, Inc. (MD Beauty)	Second Lien Term Loan	1,797,447.96
Billing Services Group North America, Inc.	US Term Loan	3,456,250.00
Bi-Lo, LLC	Term Loan	1,977,695.17
Black Press Group Ltd.	Term B-2 Tranche	1,133,333.33
Black Press U.S. Partnership	Term B-1 Tranche	1,866,666.67
Blackboard, Inc.	Term Loan	1,990,000.00
Bombardier Recreational Products Inc.	Term Loan	2,000,000.00
Brand Services, Inc.	Term Loan	1,000,000.00
Bresnan Communications, LLC	First Lien Term Loan B	7,000,000.00
Burger King Corporation	Tranche B - 1 Term Loan	350,254.26
Burlington Coat Factory Warehouse Corporation	Term Loan	7,481,250.00
Calpine Corporation	Second Priority DIP Term Loan	2,000,000.00
Capella Healthcare, Inc.	First Lien Term Loan	4,372,673.01
Capital Automotive REIT	Term Loan	1,953,571.94
Casella Waste Systems, Inc.	Incremental Term B	3,000,000.00
Cavtel Holdings, LLC (Cavalier Telephone Corporation)	Term Loan	4,488,750.00
CCM Merger Inc. (Motor City Casino)	Term B Loan	3,989,928.24
CCS Medical, Inc. (Chronic Care)	1st Lien Term Loan	995,000.00
Cedar Fair	Term Loan B	4,000,000.00
Centennial Cellular Operating Co.	Term Loan	1,000,000.00
Century California Subsidiary, Inc. (aka Century Theat	Term B	2,000,000.00
Cequel Communications, LLC (aka Cebridge)	Term Loan	7,500,000.00
Checksmart Financial Company (Buckeye Check Cas	First Lien Tranche B Term Loan	2,992,500.00
CMP Susquehanna Corp.	Term Loan	5,871,428.57
Cognis Corporation	Dollar Facility B	3,000,000.00

Coletto Creek Power, LP (aka Coletto Creek WLE, LP) Synthetic Facility	445,859.87
Coletto Creek Power, LP (aka Coletto Creek WLE, LP) Term Loan	6,554,140.13
Columbian Chemicals Acquisition LLC/Columbian Chemicals Tranche B Term Loan	4,500,000.00
CompBenefits Corporation Tranche B Term Loan	4,937,500.00
Consolidated Communications, Inc. New Term D Loan	3,000,000.00
Contech Construction Products Inc. New Term Loan	2,986,666.67
Cooper-Standard Automotive Inc Term Loan D	995,000.00
Copa Casino of Mississippi, LLC Term Loan	2,000,000.00
Cricket Communications, Inc. (aka Leap Wireless) Revolver	3,000,000.00
Cricket Communications, Inc. (aka Leap Wireless) Term B Facility	5,000,000.00
Crown Castle Operating Company Term Loan	1,000,000.00
CSC Holdings Inc (Cablevision) Incremental Term Loan	7,481,250.00
Data Transmission Network Corporation aka DTN Holdings First Lien Tranche B Term Loan	7,481,250.00
Data Transmission Network Corporation aka DTN Holdings Second Lien Term Loan	2,000,000.00
Dayco Products LLC - (Mark IV) Replacement Term B Loan	1,000,000.00
Delta Airlines, Inc. DIP Term Loan A	6,000,000.00
Deluxe Entertainment Services Group INC., First Lien Tranche B Term Loan	7,207,768.19
DJ Orthopedics, LLC Tranche B Term Loan	6,982,500.00
Dole Food Company, Inc. Credit Linked Deposit	651,162.79
Dole Food Company, Inc. Tranche B Term Loan	1,461,453.49
Dole Food Company, Inc. Tranche C Term Loan	4,871,511.63
Dundee Holdco Limited (Doncasters) US Term Loan B1	4,000,000.00
Dundee Holdco Limited (Doncasters) US Term Loan C	3,000,000.00
Duratek, Inc. (aka EnergySolutions) Term Loan B	905,660.38
Eastman Kodak Company Term B-1 Advance	5,951,347.31
Easton-Bell Sports, Inc. Tranche B Term Loan	2,992,500.00
Eddie Bauer, Inc. Term Loan	6,575,029.25
Edge Las Vegas Development LLC 1st Lien Term Loan	3,000,000.00
Education Management LLC Tranche B Term Loan	1,000,000.00
Education Management LLC Tranche B Term Loan	1,000,000.00
El Paso Corporation Deposit Loan	2,000,000.00
El Pollo Loco, Inc. New Term Loan	3,500,000.00
Endurance Business Media, Inc. First Lien Term Loan	4,000,000.00
Endurance Business Media, Inc. Second Lien Term Loan	3,000,000.00
EnergySolutions, LLC (aka Envirocare of Utah, LLC) Synthetic LC	94,339.63
EnergySolutions, LLC (aka Envirocare of Utah, LLC) Term Loan	2,000,000.00
Environmental Systems Products Holdings Inc. Term Loan	1,871,548.29
Euramax International, Inc. 1st Lien Domestic Term Loan	6,306,106.94
Euramax International, Inc. 2nd Lien Domestic Loan	3,000,000.00
Fairpoint Communications, Inc. Replacement B Term Loan	4,000,000.00
FCI SA (France) Term Loan B2B	245,251.82
FCI SA (France) Term Loan C2B	245,251.82
FCI International S.A.S Term Loan B2A	254,748.18
FCI International S.A.S Term Loan C2A	254,748.18
FCI USA, Inc. Facility B1	3,750,000.00
FCI USA, Inc. Facility C1	3,750,000.00
Fender Musical Instruments Corporation Second Lien Term Loan	3,000,000.00
Fidelity National Information Solutions, Inc. Term B Loan	982,954.54
Flag Luxury Properties Holdings, LLC First Lien Term Loan	2,992,500.00
Flatiron Re Ltd. Closing Date Term Loan	4,715,789.47
Flatiron Re Ltd. Delayed Draw Term Loan	2,284,210.53
Fresenius Medical Care AG & Co., KGaA/Fresenius Medical Care Tranche B Term Loan	4,488,750.00

Gabriel Communications Finance Company (Nuvox, Inc.)	Term B Loan	4,000,000.00
Gainey Corporation	Term Loan	4,000,000.00
Garden Fresh Restaurant Corp.	First Lien Term Loan B	1,975,000.00
Genoa Healthcare Group, LLC	First Lien Term Loan	2,802,850.46
Genoa Healthcare Group, LLC	Second Lien Term Loan	2,500,000.00
Georgia-Pacific Corporation	Term B Loan	8,955,000.00
Ginn LA Conduit Lender, Inc.	First Lien Tranche A Credit-Li	2,357,142.86
Ginn LA Conduit Lender, Inc.	First Lien Tranche B Term Loa	5,142,857.14
Gleason Works	Second Lien Term Loan	1,000,000.00
Golden Gate National Senior Care, LLC	First Lien Term Loan	997,500.00
Graham Packaging Company, L.P.	Incremental B Term Loan	3,989,873.42
Hawaiian Telcom Communications, Inc.	Tranche B Term Loan	4,490,000.00
HealthSouth Corporation	Term Loan B	7,500,000.00
Helix Energy Solutions Group, Inc.	Term Loan	1,000,000.00
Helix Energy Solutions Group, Inc.	Term Loan	6,000,000.00
Hexion Specialty Chemicals, Inc.	Tranche C-1 Term Loan	5,750,769.23
Hexion Specialty Chemicals, Inc.	Tranche C-2 Term Loan	1,249,230.77
Hillman Group, Inc.	New Term B Loan	1,500,000.00
HIT Entertainment, Inc.	2nd Lien	1,500,000.00
Ineos US Finance LLC	Term A4	2,500,000.00
Ineos US Finance LLC	Term B2	3,500,000.00
Ineos US Finance LLC	Term C2	3,500,000.00
Infor Enterprise Solutions Holdings, Inc. (fka Magellan)	Initial US Term Facility	11,000,000.00
Intelsat Corporation (fka PanAmSat Corporation)	Tranche B-2 Term Loan	5,000,000.00
Invista Canada Company	Tranche B-2 Term Loan	1,624,971.26
Invista S.A.R.L.	Tranche B-1 Term Loan	2,193,412.23
iPayment Inc.	Term Facility	5,985,000.00
IPC Acquisition Corp	2nd Lien Term Loan	313,529.19
ISP Chemco Inc.	Term Loan	5,985,000.00
J. Crew Group, Inc.	Initial Term Loan	3,070,175.44
J.G. Wentworth, LLC	Term Loan	2,000,000.00
Jarden Corporation	Term Loan B1	3,811,660.66
Jean Coutu Group (PJC) Inc.	Term B Loan	5,601,770.71
Kerasotes Showplace Theatres, LLC	Term B1 Loan	3,000,000.00
Knology Inc.	New Term Loan	3,490,654.54
Koosharem Corporation (Select Personnel)	First Lien Term Loan	2,000,000.00
Koosharem Corporation (Select Personnel)	Second Lien Term Loan	2,000,000.00
Kuilima Resort Company (Turtle Bay)	First Lien Term Loan	4,969,962.40
Laidlaw International, Inc.	Canada Term B Facility	400,000.00
Laidlaw International, Inc.	Term B Facility	1,600,000.00
Lake at Las Vegas Joint Venture	First Lien Term Loan	7,343,221.25
LB Media, Inc.	Term Loan B	4,987,500.00
LBREP/L-Suncal Master I LLC	1st Lien	5,472,500.00
Lear Corporation	First Lien Term Loan B	7,500,000.00
Leiner Health Products, Inc.	Tranche B Loan	994,923.86
Lexicon Marketing (USA), Inc.	Term Loan B	4,000,000.00
Liberty Cablevision of Puerto Rico, Ltd.	Term Loan	6,982,500.00
LNR Property Corporation	Initial Tranche B Term Loan	4,000,000.00
LPL Holdings, Inc.	Tranche B Term Loan	1,990,000.00
LSP Gen Finance Co, LLC	First Lien Delayed Draw Term	161,616.16
LSP Gen Finance Co, LLC	First Lien Term Loan B	3,838,383.84
Maritime Telecommunications Network, Inc.	First Lien Term Loan	7,500,000.00

Matria Healthcare, Inc.	First Lien Tranche B Term Loan	4,732,628.20
Matria Healthcare, Inc.	First Lien Tranche C Term Loan	2,064,102.56
Mediacom Broadband Group	Tranche D-1 Term Loan	3,000,000.00
Mediacom Broadband Group	Tranche D-2 Term Loan	2,500,000.00
Mediacom Illinois, LLC (fka Mediacom Communication)	Tranche C Term Loan	2,000,000.00
MEG Energy Corp.	Delayed Draw Term Loan	3,750,000.00
MEG Energy Corp.	Initial Term Loan	3,740,625.00
MGM Holdings II, Inc./LOC Acquisition Company	Tranche A Term Loan	1,952,380.95
MGM Holdings II, Inc./LOC Acquisition Company	Tranche B Term Loan	4,987,500.00
MMM Holding, Inc./NAMM Holdings, Inc (Aveta Holding)	New Term Loan	644,375.25
MMM Holding, Inc./NAMM Holdings, Inc (Aveta Holding)	Term Loan	6,338,124.75
Montecito Broadcast Group, LLC	First Lien Term Loan	2,985,000.00
Movie Gallery, Inc.	Term A Loan	351,810.42
Movie Gallery, Inc.	Term B Loan	1,546,217.39
Mueller Group, LLC	Term Loan	759,752.34
NACCO Materials Handling Group, Inc.	Term Loan	7,000,000.00
Nash Finch Company	Initial Term Loan	5,000,000.00
Navistar International Corporation	Delay Draw Term Loan	1,000,000.00
Neiman Marcus Group Inc., The	Term Loan	1,424,050.63
NEP Supershooters, LP	First Lien Term A Loan	1,388,202.28
NES Rentals Holdings, Inc.	Second Lien Permanent Term	3,000,000.00
Nevis	Term Loan C	7,500,000.00
New World Restaurant Group, Inc.	First Lien Term Loan	4,970,312.50
NewPage Corporation	Term Loan	1,994,961.87
North American Membership Group, Inc.	First Lien Tranche B Term Loan	4,982,348.68
Northeast Biofuels, LLC	Construction Term Loan	1,365,853.66
Northeast Biofuels, LLC	Synthetic LC	634,146.34
November 2005 Land Investors, LLC (North Las Vegas)	Second Lien Term Loan	3,000,000.00
NPC International, Inc.	Term Loan	916,666.66
NRG Energy, Inc.	Credit Linked Deposit February	1,392,473.12
NRG Energy, Inc.	Term Loan	7,089,758.06
Nutro Products, Inc.	Term Facility	6,982,500.00
Odessa Ector Power Partners	Term Loan	6,714,323.74
Oglebay Norton Company	Delayed Draw Term Loan	400,000.00
Oglebay Norton Company	Tranche B Term Loan	1,600,000.00
Owens-Brockway Glass Container Inc.	Tranche B Term Loan	3,000,000.00
PaeTec Communications, Inc.	2nd Lien Term Loan	3,000,000.00
PaeTec Communications, Inc.	First Lien Initial Term Loan	2,000,000.00
Palmdale Hills Property, LLC (SunCal/Ritter Ranch)	First Lien Term Loan	1,984,974.87
Panolam Industries International, Inc.	Term Loan	915,793.39
PBI Media, Inc.	First Lien Term Loan	2,987,478.91
PBI Media, Inc.	Second Lien Term Loan	1,000,000.00
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Pep Boys, The - Manny, Moe & Jack	Term Loan	1,995,000.00
Per-Se Technologies, Inc.	Term Loan	2,655,172.41
PGT Industries, Inc.	First Lien Tranche A-2 Term Loan	4,450,914.63
Pine Prairie Energy Center, LLC	Delay Draw Term Loan	772,727.27
Pine Prairie Energy Center, LLC	Initial Term Loan	1,227,272.73
Pinnacle Foods Group Inc.	New Term Loan	2,809,882.17
Pinnacle Foods Group Inc.	New Term Loan	4,797,139.68
Pivotal Promontory, LLC	First Lien Term Loan	2,984,962.41
Plum Point Energy Associates, LLC	First Lien Term Loan	3,399,464.27

Plum Point Energy Associates, LLC	Funded Letter of Credit	922,857.15
Ply Gem Industries, Inc	Canadian Term Loan	561,093.75
Ply Gem Industries, Inc	US Term Loan	8,416,406.25
PQ Corporation (fka Niagara Acquisition, Inc.)	Term Loan	1,989,924.43
Propex Fabrics, Inc.	Tranche B Term Loan	2,497,199.52
Protection One Alarm Monitoring, Inc.	Term Loan C	6,289,171.77
Puerto Rico Cable Acquisition Company Inc.	First Lien Term Loan	1,218,750.00
Pure Fishing, Inc	First Lien Term Loan	1,905,445.29
Quintiles Transnational Corp.	First Lien Term B	7,481,250.00
Regal Cinemas Corporation	New Term Loan	1,990,127.00
Rexair LLC	Second Lien Term Loan	1,000,000.00
Reynolds American, Inc.	Term Loan	5,000,000.00
Roundy's Supermarkets, Inc.	Term Loan	997,493.73
Safety-Kleen Systems, Inc.	Synthetic LC	1,101,694.92
Safety-Kleen Systems, Inc.	Term B Loan	3,898,305.08
San Juan Cable, LLC	Second Lien Term Loan	1,625,000.00
Sedgwick CMS Holdings, Inc.	Term B Loan	2,955,000.00
Select Medical Corporation	Tranche B Term Loan	2,977,424.44
Serena Software, Inc.	Term Loan	1,532,812.50
Serena Software, Inc.	Term Loan	4,687,500.00
SIRVA Worldwide, Inc.	Tranche B Term Loan	2,441,695.50
Smurfit-Stone Container Enterprises, Inc.	Tranche C-1 Term Loan	1,989,974.94
Solutia Inc.	New Term Loan B DIP	3,000,000.00
Spanish Peaks Holdings, LLC	Tranche A Credit-Linked Depc	1,224,545.96
Spanish Peaks Holdings, LLC	Tranche B Term Loan	2,641,863.02
Sports Authority, Inc., The	Term Loan B	4,000,000.00
Springer Science+Business Media S.A.	USD Tranche B-2 Add On	1,032,444.44
Springer Science+Business Media S.A.	USD Tranche C-2 Add On	442,111.11
Springer Science+Business Media S.A.	USD Tranche E-2 Add On	442,111.11
Standard Aero Holdings, Inc.	Term Loan	2,672,699.82
Stratos Global Corporation/Stratos Funding LP	Term B Facility	2,000,000.00
Stratos Global Corporation/Stratos Funding LP	Term B Facility	7,000,000.00
SunGard Data Systems Inc (Solar Capital Corp)	U.S. Term Loan	2,992,462.31
Supervalu Inc.	Term Loan B	1,995,000.00
Targa Resources, Inc.	Bridge Term Loan	3,250,000.00
TE/TOUSA Mezzanine, LLC	Senior Mezzanine Loan	1,000,000.00
Tire Rack Holdings, Inc.	Tranche B Term Loan	1,650,375.09
Transport Industries, L.P.	Term B Loan	1,612,410.71
TriMas Corporation	Tranche B Term Loan	1,556,097.56
TriMas Corporation	Tranche B-1 LC	643,902.44
Trizec Cal Holdings, LLC (Trizec Properties, Inc.)	Term Loan	7,500,000.00
TRU 2005 RE Holding Co. I, Ltd.	Term Loan	3,500,000.00
Trussway Industries, Inc.	New Term Loan	2,000,000.00
U.S. Security Holdings, Inc.	Tranche B Term Loan	1,995,000.00
UCG Paper Crafts, Inc. (EK Success)	First Lien Synthetic Facility	600,000.00
UCG Paper Crafts, Inc. (EK Success)	First Lien Term Loan	2,394,000.00
UGS Corp.	Replacement Term Loan	4,761,885.34
Unifrax Corporation	Dollar Term Loan	4,987,500.00
United Air Lines, Inc.	Delayed Draw Tranche B Loa	875,000.00
United Air Lines, Inc.	Tranche B Term Loan	6,125,000.00
United Air Lines, Inc.	Tranche A Revolver	2,000,000.00
UPC Financing Partnership	Facility J2	1,000,000.00

UPC Financing Partnership	Facility K2	1,000,000.00
US Airways Group, Inc.	Term Loan	7,000,000.00
Vanguard Car Rental USA Holding, Inc.	Term Loan	8,000,000.00
Visant Corporation (fka Jostens)	Tranche C Term Loan	5,048,672.11
VJCS Acquisition, Inc.	Term B Facility	1,000,000.00
VML US Finance LLC (aka Venetian Macau)	Term B DD Project Loan	2,000,000.00
VML US Finance LLC (aka Venetian Macau)	Term B Funded Project Loan	5,000,000.00
Walter Industries, Inc.	Term Loan	2,896,384.94
Warner Chilcott Company, Inc.	Dovobet Delayed Draw Term	139,639.39
Warner Chilcott Company, Inc.	Dovonex Delayed Draw Term	739,301.40
Warner Chilcott Company, Inc.	Tranche B Acquisition Date Te	4,611,203.97
Warner Chilcott Corporation	Tranche C Acquisition Date Te	1,867,110.26
Warner Chilcott Holdings Company III, Limited	Tranche D Acquisition Date Te	862,585.45
WideOpenWest Finance , LLC	First Lien Term Loan	7,500,000.00
Wimar Tahoe Corporation/(Columbia Entertainment)	Term Loan B	2,052,161.66
WMG Acquisitions Corporation	Term Loan	2,859,404.12
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Schedule 2

**Moody's Industry Classification Group List**

**Aerospace and Defense:** Major Contractor, Subsystems, Research, Aircraft Manufacturing, Arms, Ammunition

**Automobile:** Automotive Equipment, Auto-Manufacturing, Auto Parts Manufacturing, Personal Use Trailers, Motor Homes, Dealers

**Banking:** Bank Holding, Savings and Loans, Consumer Credit, Small Loan, Agency, Factoring, Receivables

**Beverage, Food and Tobacco:** Beer and Ale, Distillers, Wines and Liquors, Distributors, Soft Drink Syrup, Bottling, Bakery, Mill Sugar, Canned Foods, Corn Refiners, Dairy Products, Meat Products, Poultry Products, Snacks, Packaged Foods, Distributors, Candy, Gum, Seafood, Frozen Food, Cigarettes, Cigars, Leaf/Snuff, Vegetable Oil

**Buildings and Real Estate:** Brick, Cement, Climate Controls, Contracting, Engineering, Construction, Hardware, Forest Products (building-related only), Plumbing, Roofing, Wallboard, Real Estate, Real Estate Development, REITs, Land Development

**Chemicals, Plastics and Rubber:** Chemicals (non-agriculture), Industrial Gases, Sulfur, Plastics, Plastic Products, Abrasives, Coatings, Paints, Varnish, Fabricating

**Containers, Packaging and Glass:** Glass, Fiberglass, Containers made of: Glass, Metal, Paper, Plastic, Wood or Fiberglass

**Personal and Non Durable Consumer Products (Manufacturing Only):** Soaps, Perfumes, Cosmetics, Toiletries, Cleaning Supplies, School Supplies

**Diversified/Conglomerate Manufacturing**

**Diversified/Conglomerate Service**

**Diversified Natural Resources, Precious Metals and Minerals:** Fabricating, Distribution, Mining and Sales

**Ecological:** Pollution Control, Waste Removal, Waste Treatment, Waste Disposal

**Electronics:** Computer Hardware, Electric Equipment, Components, Controllers, Motors, Household Appliances, Information Service, Communication Systems, Radios, TVs, Tape Machines, Speakers, Printers, Drivers, Technology

**Finance:** Investment Brokerage, Leasing, Syndication, Securities

**Farming and Agriculture:** Livestock, Grains, Produce, Agricultural Chemicals, Agricultural Equipment, Fertilizers

**Grocery:** Grocery Stores, Convenience Food Stores

**Healthcare, Education and Childcare:** Ethical Drugs, Proprietary Drugs, Research, Health Care Centers, Nursing Homes, HMOs, Hospitals, Hospital Supplies, Medical Equipment

**Home and Office Furnishings, Housedress, and Durable Consumer Products:** Carpets, Floor Coverings, Furniture, Cooking, Ranges

**Hotels, Motels, Inns and Gaming**

**Insurance:** Life, Property and Casualty, Broker, Agent, Surety

**Leisure, Amusement, Entertainment:** Boating, Bowling, Billiards, Musical Instruments, Fishing, Photo Equipment, Records, Tapes, Sports, Outdoor Equipment (camping), Tourism, Resorts, Games, Toy Manufacturing, Motion Picture Production, Theatres, Motion Picture Distribution

**Machinery (Non-Agriculture, Non-Construction, Non-Electronic):** Industrial, Machine Tools, Steam Generators

**Mining, Steel, Iron and Non-Precious Metals:** Coal, Copper, Lead, Uranium, Zinc, Aluminum, Stainless Steel, Integrated Steel, Ore Production, Refractories, Steel Mill Machinery, Mini-Mills, Fabricating, Distribution and Sales

**Oil and Gas:** Crude Producer, Retailer, Well Supply, Service and Drilling

**Personal, Food and Miscellaneous**

**Printing and Publishing:** Graphic Arts, Paper, Paper Products, Business Forms, Magazines, Books, Periodicals, Newspapers, Textbooks

**Cargo Transport:** Rail, Shipping, Railroads, Rail-car Builders, Ship Builders, Containers, Container Builders, Parts, Overnight Mail, Trucking, Truck Manufacturing, Trailer Manufacturing, Air Cargo, Transport

**Retail Stores:** Apparel, Toy, Variety, Drugs, Department, Mail Order Catalogue, Showroom

**Structured Finance**

**Telecommunications:** Local, Long Distance, Independent, Telephone, Telegraph, Satellite, Equipment, Research, Cellular

**Textiles and Leather:** Producer, Synthetic Fiber, Apparel Manufacturer, Leather Shoes **Personal Transportation:** Air, Bus, Rail, Car, Rental

**Utilities:** Electric, Water, Hydro Power, Gas, Diversified

**Broadcasting and Entertainment:** Recording Industry, Motion Exhibition Theatres, Motion Picture Production and Distribution, Radio, TV, Cable Broadcasting, Broadcasting Equipment

Schedule 3

**S&P Industry Classifications**

Corporate Obligations

0. Zero Default Risk
1. Aerospace & Defense
2. Air transport
3. Automotive
4. Beverage & Tobacco
5. Radio & Television
6. Brokerages, Dealers & Investment houses
7. Building & Development
8. Business equipment & services
9. Cable & satellite television
10. Chemical & plastics
11. Clothing/textiles
12. Conglomerates
13. Containers & glass products
14. Cosmetics/toiletries
15. Drugs
16. Ecological services & equipment
17. Electronics/electrical
18. Equipment leasing
19. Farming/agriculture
20. Financial Intermediaries
21. Food/drug retailers
22. Food products
23. Food service
24. Forest products
25. Health care
26. Home furnishings
27. Lodging & casinos
28. Industrial equipment
29. Insurance
30. Leisure goods/activities/movies
31. Nonferrous metals/minerals
32. Oil & gas
33. Publishing
34. Rail Industries
35. Retailers (except food & drug)
36. Steel
37. Surface transport
38. Telecommunications
39. Utilities

Corporate Structured Obligations

50. CDOs



Structured Obligations

51. ABS Consumer
52. ABS Commercial
53. CMBS Diversified (Conduit and CTL)
54. CMBS (Large Loan, Single Borrower, and Single Property)
55. REITs and REOCs
56. RMBS A
57. RMBS B&C, HELs, HELOCs, and Tax Lien
58. Manufactured Housing
59. U.S. Agency (Explicitly Guaranteed)
60. Monoline/FER Guaranteed
61. Non-FER Company Guaranteed
62. FFELP Student Loans (Over 70% FFELP)
63. CLO of SME's

Schedule 4

**Diversity Score Calculation**

The Diversity Score for the Collateral Obligations is calculated by summing each of the Industry Diversity Scores, which are calculated as follows:

(i) An "**Obligor Par Amount**" is calculated for each obligor represented in the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) by summing the par amounts of all Collateral Obligations in the Collateral (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) issued by that obligor or any Affiliate of that obligor (other than obligors that the Servicer reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(ii) An "**Average Par Amount**" is calculated by summing the Obligor Par Amounts and dividing by the number of obligors represented. For purposes of calculating the number of issuers of the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations), any issuers Affiliated with one another shall be considered one issuer (other than obligors that the Servicer reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(iii) An "**Equivalent Unit Score**" is calculated for each obligor represented in the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) by taking the lesser of (A) one and (B) the Obligor Par Amount for the obligor *divided* by the Average Par Amount. For purposes of calculating the Equivalent Unit Score, any issuers Affiliated with one another shall be considered one issuer (other than obligors that the Servicer reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(iv) An "**Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score**" is then calculated for each of the Moody's industrial classification groups by summing the Equivalent Unit Scores for each obligor in the industry.

(v) An "**Industry Diversity Score**" is then established by reference to the Diversity Score Table shown below for the related Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score. If any Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score falls between any two the scores then the applicable Industry Diversity Score shall be the lower of the two Industry Diversity Scores in the Diversity Score Table.

The Diversity Score for any Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation is equal to zero.

**DIVERSITY SCORE TABLE**

<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>
0.0000	0.0000	5.0500	2.7000	10.1500	4.0200	15.2500	4.5300
0.0500	0.1000	5.1500	2.7333	10.2500	4.0300	15.3500	4.5400
0.1500	0.2000	5.2500	2.7667	10.3500	4.0400	15.4500	4.5500
0.2500	0.3000	5.3500	2.8000	10.4500	4.0500	15.5500	4.5600
0.3500	0.4000	5.4500	2.8333	10.5500	4.0600	15.6500	4.5700
0.4500	0.5000	5.5500	2.8667	10.6500	4.0700	15.7500	4.5800
0.5500	0.6000	5.6500	2.9000	10.7500	4.0800	15.8500	4.5900
0.6500	0.7000	5.7500	2.9333	10.8500	4.0900	15.9500	4.6000
0.7500	0.8000	5.8500	2.9667	10.9500	4.1000	16.0500	4.6100
0.8500	0.9000	5.9500	3.0000	11.0500	4.1100	16.1500	4.6200
0.9500	1.0000	6.0500	3.0250	11.1500	4.1200	16.2500	4.6300
1.0500	1.0500	6.1500	3.0500	11.2500	4.1300	16.3500	4.6400
1.1500	1.1000	6.2500	3.0750	11.3500	4.1400	16.4500	4.6500
1.2500	1.1500	6.3500	3.1000	11.4500	4.1500	16.5500	4.6600
1.3500	1.2000	6.4500	3.1250	11.5500	4.1600	16.6500	4.6700
1.4500	1.2500	6.5500	3.1500	11.6500	4.1700	16.7500	4.6800
1.5500	1.3000	6.6500	3.1750	11.7500	4.1800	16.8500	4.6900
1.6500	1.3500	6.7500	3.2000	11.8500	4.1900	16.9500	4.7000
1.7500	1.4000	6.8500	3.2250	11.9500	4.2000	17.0500	4.7100
1.8500	1.4500	6.9500	3.2500	12.0500	4.2100	17.1500	4.7200
1.9500	1.5000	7.0500	3.2750	12.1500	4.2200	17.2500	4.7300
2.0500	1.5500	7.1500	3.3000	12.2500	4.2300	17.3500	4.7400
2.1500	1.6000	7.2500	3.3250	12.3500	4.2400	17.4500	4.7500
2.2500	1.6500	7.3500	3.3500	12.4500	4.2500	17.5500	4.7600
2.3500	1.7000	7.4500	3.3750	12.5500	4.2600	17.6500	4.7700
2.4500	1.7500	7.5500	3.4000	12.6500	4.2700	17.7500	4.7800
2.5500	1.8000	7.6500	3.4250	12.7500	4.2800	17.8500	4.7900
2.6500	1.8500	7.7500	3.4500	12.8500	4.2900	17.9500	4.8000
2.7500	1.9000	7.8500	3.4750	12.9500	4.3000	18.0500	4.8100
2.8500	1.9500	7.9500	3.5000	13.0500	4.3100	18.1500	4.8200
2.9500	2.0000	8.0500	3.5250	13.1500	4.3200	18.2500	4.8300
3.0500	2.0333	8.1500	3.5500	13.2500	4.3300	18.3500	4.8400
3.1500	2.0667	8.2500	3.5750	13.3500	4.3400	18.4500	4.8500
3.2500	2.1000	8.3500	3.6000	13.4500	4.3500	18.5500	4.8600
3.3500	2.1333	8.4500	3.6250	13.5500	4.3600	18.6500	4.8700
3.4500	2.1667	8.5500	3.6500	13.6500	4.3700	18.7500	4.8800

<u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u>	<u>Diversity Score</u>	<u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u>	<u>Diversity Score</u>	<u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u>	<u>Diversity Score</u>	<u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u>	<u>Diversity Score</u>
3.5500	2.2000	8.6500	3.6750	13.7500	4.3800	18.8500	4.8900
3.6500	2.2333	8.7500	3.7000	13.8500	4.3900	18.9500	4.9000
3.7500	2.2667	8.8500	3.7250	13.9500	4.4000	19.0500	4.9100
3.8500	2.3000	8.9500	3.7500	14.0500	4.4100	19.1500	4.9200
3.9500	2.3333	9.0500	3.7750	14.1500	4.4200	19.2500	4.9300
4.0500	2.3667	9.1500	3.8000	14.2500	4.4300	19.3500	4.9400
4.1500	2.4000	9.2500	3.8250	14.3500	4.4400	19.4500	4.9500
4.2500	2.4333	9.3500	3.8500	14.4500	4.4500	19.5500	4.9600
4.3500	2.4667	9.4500	3.8750	14.5500	4.4600	19.6500	4.9700
4.4500	2.5000	9.5500	3.9000	14.6500	4.4700	19.7500	4.9800
4.5500	2.5333	9.6500	3.9250	14.7500	4.4800	19.8500	4.9900
4.6500	2.5667	9.7500	3.9500	14.8500	4.4900	19.9500	5.0000
4.7500	2.6000	9.8500	3.9750	14.9500	4.5000		
4.8500	2.6333	9.9500	4.0000	15.0500	4.5100		
4.9500	2.6667	10.0500	4.0100	15.1500	4.5200		

Schedule 5**Moody's Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates**

The Moody's Recovery Rate for a Structured Finance Obligation will be the applicable rate set forth below based on the appropriate sector as categorized by Moody's:

**Diversified Securities** primarily include (1) Automobile Securities; (2) Car Rental Receivable Securities; (3) Credit Card Securities; (4) Student Loan Securities

**Residential Securities** primarily include (1) Home Equity Loan Securities; (2) Manufactured Housing Securities; (3) Residential A Mortgage Securities; (4) Residential B/C Mortgage Securities

**Undiversified Securities** primarily include (1) CMBS Conduit; (2) CMBS Credit Tenant Lease; (3) CMBS Large Loan; (4) those ABS Sectors not included in Diversified Securities

**Collateralized Debt Obligations** include (1) High-diversity CDOs (Diversity Score in excess of 20); (2) Low-Diversity CDOs (Diversity Score of 20 or less)

**Diversified Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	70%	60%	50%	40%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	60%	50%	40%	30%
<=10%	70%	65%	55%	45%	35%	25%

**Residential Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10% >5%	65%	55%	45%	40%	30%	20%
<=5%	55%	45%	40%	35%	25%	15%

>2%						
<=2%	45%	35%	30%	25%	15%	10%

**Undiversified Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10% >5%	65%	55%	45%	35%	25%	15%
<=5% >2%	55%	45%	35%	30%	20%	10%
<=2%	45%	35%	25%	20%	10%	5%

**High Diversity Collateralized Debt Obligations**

	<u>Initial Rating of Underlying Asset</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	60%	50%	40%	25%
<=10% >5%	65%	55%	50%	40%	30%	20%
<=5% >2%	55%	45%	40%	35%	25%	10%
<=2%	45%	35%	30%	25%	10%	5%

**Low Diversity Collateralized Debt Obligations**

	<u>Initial Rating of Underlying Asset</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	80%	75%	60%	50%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	70%	60%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10% >5%	60%	50%	45%	35%	25%	15%
<=5% >2%	50%	40%	35%	30%	20%	10%
<=2%	30%	25%	20%	15%	7%	4%

(1) Initial par amount of tranche to which Structured Finance Obligation relates **divided by** initial par amount of total securities issued by Structured Finance Obligation issuer.

Schedule 6**S&P Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates\***

The S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate for a Structured Finance Obligation will be the applicable rate set forth below based on the appropriate asset class and liability rating as categorized by S&P:

Senior Asset Class

	<u>Liability rating</u>						
	<u>AAA</u>	<u>AA</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>BBB</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>CCC</u>
AAA	80.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
AA	70.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
A	60.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
BBB	50.0%	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%

Junior Asset Class

	<u>Liability rating</u>						
	<u>AAA</u>	<u>AA</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>BBB</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>CCC</u>
AAA	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
AA	40.0%	45.0%	55.0%	65.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
A	30.0%	35.0%	40.0%	45.0%	50.0%	60.0%	70.0%
BBB	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	25.0%	35.0%	40.0%	50.0%
B	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%	10.0%	10.0%	20.0%	25.0%
CCC	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%

- \* This table shall not apply to project finance, future flows, synthetics, CDO repacks of ABS or CDOs, guaranteed ABS, distressed debt CDOs, synthetic CDOs, or emerging market CDOs. Recovery rates for such Structured Finance Obligations will be assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis.



Schedule 7

**Certain Defined Terms Relating to S&P Rating and Moody's Rating**

**"Assigned Moody's Rating"**: The monitored publicly available rating or the monitored estimated rating expressly assigned to a debt obligation (or facility) by Moody's that addresses the full amount of the principal and interest promised.

**"Moody's Default Probability Rating"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (a) with respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:
  - (i) if the Loan's obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, such corporate family rating; and
  - (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Obligation Rating of such Loan;
  - (iii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, the rating that is one subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating;
- (b) with respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating of such Collateral Obligation;
- (c) with respect to a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the rating that is one rating subcategory below the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof;
- (d) with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof or, if the obligation does not have an Assigned Moody's Rating but has a rating by S&P, then the Moody's Default Probability Rating shall be:
  - (i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher, or
  - (ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; and
- (e) with respect to a Synthetic Security, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down (if on watch for downgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories or adjusted up (if on watch for upgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories. For purposes of any calculation under this Indenture, if a Moody's Default Probability Rating is withdrawn by Moody's with respect to a Collateral Obligation, the Issuer will continue using the latest Moody's Default Probability Rating available immediately prior to such withdrawal until a bankruptcy event occurs with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating":** With respect to any Collateral Obligation that is a Loan or bond and the obligor thereof, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

(a) if the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating;

(b) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's "Issuer Rating" for the obligor;

(c) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, then

(i) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "B3" (and, if rated "B3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one rating subcategory higher than such Assigned Moody's Rating, or

(ii) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "B3" (or rated "B3" and on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be such Assigned Moody's Rating;

(d) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, then:

(i) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "Caa3" (and, if rated "Caa3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one subcategory below such Assigned Moody's Rating, or

(ii) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "Caa3" (or rated "Caa3" and on watch for downgrade), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be "C";

(e) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but such obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be one rating subcategory below such corporate family rating;

(f) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be:

(i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher,

(ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; or

(iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating no lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (f)(iii), or clause (g)(iii) or (h)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(g) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (c) above; or

(iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (g)(iii), or clauses (f)(iii) or (h)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(h) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (d) above; or

(iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (h)(iii), or clauses (f)(iii) or (g)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(i) if the preceding clauses do not apply and each of the following clauses (i) through (viii) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa1":

(i) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings,

(ii) no debt securities or obligations of the obligor are in default,

(iii) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates has defaulted on any debt during the preceding two years,

- (iv) the obligor has been in existence for the preceding five years,
- (v) the obligor is current on any cumulative dividends,
- (vi) the fixed-charge ratio for the obligor exceeds 125% for each of the preceding two fiscal years and for the most recent quarter,
- (vii) the obligor had a net profit before tax in the past fiscal year and the most recent quarter, and
- (viii) the annual financial statements of such obligor are unqualified and certified by a firm of Independent accountants of international reputation, and quarterly statements are unaudited but signed by a corporate officer;
- (j) if the preceding clauses do not apply but each of the following clauses (i) and (ii) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa3":
  - (i) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings; and
  - (ii) no debt security or obligation of such obligor has been in default during the past two years; and
- (k) if the preceding clauses do not apply and a debt security or obligation of the obligor has been in default during the past two years, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Ca."

Notwithstanding the foregoing, not more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may consist of Relevant Obligations given a Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating based on a rating given by S&P as provided in clauses (f), (g) and (h) above.

**"Moody's Obligation Rating":** With respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (a) With respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:
  - (i) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or
  - (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the rating that is one rating subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and
- (b) With respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond:
  - (i) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or
  - (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and
- (c) With respect to a Synthetic Security or a DIP Loan, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Obligation Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be

adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

**"Moody's Rating":** The Moody's Default Probability Rating; provided that, with respect to the Collateral Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or any successor to it ceases to provide rating services, references to rating categories of Moody's in this Indenture shall be deemed instead to be references to the equivalent categories of any other nationally recognized investment rating agency selected by the Servicer, as of the most recent date on which such other rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which such alternative rating agency is used.

**"S&P Rating":** With respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following methodology:

(i) If there is an issuer credit rating of the borrower of the Collateral Obligation (the "**Borrower**"), or the guarantor who unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the Collateral Obligation (the "**Guarantor**") by S&P, the most current issuer credit rating for such Borrower or Guarantor (provided that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating);

(ii) (a) if there is not an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation will be one subcategory below such rating; (b) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior unsecured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be such rating; and (c) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a subordinated obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be two subcategories above such rating if such rating is "BBB-" or higher and will be one subcategory above such rating if such rating is "BB+" or lower (provided that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating); or

(iii) if there is neither an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P nor a rating by S&P on an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating may be determined using any one of the methods below:

(A) if an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is publicly rated by Moody's, then the S&P Rating will be determined in accordance with the methodologies for establishing the Moody's Default Probability Rating, except that the S&P Rating of such obligation will be (1) one subcategory below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Baa3" or higher by Moody's and (2) two subcategories below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Ba1" or lower by Moody's; provided that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may be given a S&P Rating based on a rating given by Moody's as provided in this subclause (a) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

(B) if no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's, then the Servicer may apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating estimate, which will be its S&P Rating; or

(C) if such Collateral Obligation is not rated by Moody's or S&P, no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's and if the Servicer determines in its sole discretion based on information available to it after reasonable inquiry that such Borrower (x) is not subject to any bankruptcy or reorganization proceedings nor in default on any of its obligations (unless the subject of a good faith business dispute), (y) is a legally constituted corporate entity having the minimum legal, financial and operational infrastructure to carry on a definable business, deliver and sell a product or service and report its results in generally accepted accounting terms as verified by a reputable audit firm and (z) is not so vulnerable to adverse business, financial and economic conditions that default in its financial or other obligations is foreseeable in the near term if current operating trends continue, then the S&P Rating will be "B-"; provided that the Servicer must apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating on such Borrower within 30 days after the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation; provided, further, that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 5% of the Maximum Amount may be given an S&P Rating based on this subclause (c) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

provided that if (i) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any positive "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be increased by one rating subcategory or (ii) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any negative "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be decreased by one rating subcategory.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the S&P Rating shall be (A) the rating assigned thereto by S&P if the rating is public, (B) the rating assigned by S&P if the rating is confidential, but only if all appropriate parties have provided written consent to its disclosure and use, (C) the rating assigned by S&P thereto through an estimated rating or (D) the rating assigned thereto by S&P in connection with the acquisition thereof upon the request of the Servicer. In the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a PIK Security, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Securities, the S&P Rating may not be determined pursuant to clause (iii)(A) above. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture, if a S&P Rating is withdrawn by S&P with respect to a Collateral Obligation, the Issuer will continue using the latest S&P Rating available immediately prior to such withdrawal until a bankruptcy event occurs with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

S&P Ratings for entities or obligations relevant hereunder other than Borrowers and Collateral Obligations shall be determined in a corresponding manner.

## **EXHIBIT PP**

**EXECUTION COPY**

**RED RIVER CLO LTD.**

Issuer

**RED RIVER CLO CORP.**

Co-Issuer

AND

**STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST**

Successor Trustee

**AMENDMENT NO. 1**

**TO**

**INDENTURE**

Dated as of October 2, 2007

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**COLLATERALIZED DEBT OBLIGATIONS**

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**THIS AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO INDENTURE** (the “Amendment”), dated as of October 2, 2007, among Red River CLO Ltd. (the “Issuer”), Red River CLO Corp. (the “Co-Issuer”) and State Street Bank and Trust, as successor in interest to Investors Bank & Trust Company (the “Successor Trustee”), hereby amends the Indenture, dated as of August 3, 2006, among the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Successor Trustee (the “Indenture”).

W I T N E S S E T H

WHEREAS, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and U.S. Bank National Association (the “Original Trustee”) entered into the Indenture;

WHEREAS, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Successor Trustee entered into the Supplemental Indenture No. 1, dated as of March 28, 2007, which replaced the Original Trustee with the Successor Trustee;

WHEREAS, the Issuers and the Noteholders desire to amend certain definitions contained in the Indenture;

WHEREAS, Highland Capital Management, L.P. acts as Servicer with respect to the Collateral;

WHEREAS, Section 8.2 of the Indenture provides that the Indenture may be amended by the Issuer, Co-Issuer and the Trustee with the consent of the Servicer, Majority of each Class of Notes adversely affected thereby and a Majority of the Preference Shares adversely affected thereby;

WHEREAS, the necessary consents pursuant to the preceding paragraph have been obtained;

WHEREAS, Section 8.2 of the Indenture provides that the Ratings Agencies shall confirm that this Amendment to the Indenture will not cause the rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn; and

WHEREAS, the Ratings Agencies have confirmed that this Amendment to the Indenture will not cause the rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:

**SECTION 1. Defined Terms.**

For purposes of this Amendment, all capitalized terms which are used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the respective meanings assigned to such terms in the Indenture.

## SECTION 2. Amendment.

Section 1.1 of the Indenture is hereby amended to replace in its entirety the definition of Servicing Fee Portion with the following:

***“Servicing Fee Portion”***: 100% minus (a) for any Payment Date from the Closing Date until (and including) the Payment Date in February 2008, the Class II Preference Share Percentage for such Payment Date and (b) for any other Payment Date, a percentage (between 0% and 100%) selected by the Servicer in its sole discretion and reported to the Trustee in writing on or before the related Determination Date; provided that, with respect to the Payment Date in May 2008, such percentage shall be a minimum of the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Percentage for such Payment Date and (ii) 3.3%.

## SECTION 3. Effect of Amendment.

Upon execution of this Amendment, the Indenture shall be, and be deemed to be, modified and amended in accordance herewith and the respective rights, limitations, obligations, duties, liabilities and immunities of the Issuer, Co-Issuer and the Successor Trustee shall hereafter be determined, exercised and enforced subject in all respects to such modifications and amendments, and all the terms and conditions of this Amendment shall be deemed to be part of the terms and conditions of the Indenture for any and all purposes. Except as modified and expressly amended by this Amendment, the Indenture is in all respects ratified and confirmed, and all the terms, provisions and conditions thereof shall be and remain in full force and effect.

## SECTION 4. Binding Effect.

The provisions of this Amendment shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Successor Trustee and each of their respective successors and assigns.

## SECTION 5. GOVERNING LAW.

THIS AMENDMENT TO THE INDENTURE SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK APPLICABLE TO AGREEMENTS MADE AND TO BE PERFORMED THEREIN WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS CONFLICT OF LAW PROVISIONS, AND THE OBLIGATIONS, RIGHTS AND REMEDIES OF THE PARTIES HEREUNDER SHALL BE DETERMINED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUCH LAWS.

## SECTION 6. Severability of Provisions.

If any one or more of the provisions or terms of this Amendment shall be for any reason whatsoever held invalid, then such provisions or terms shall be deemed severable from the remaining provisions or terms of this Amendment and shall in no way affect the validity or enforceability of the other provisions or terms of this Amendment.

SECTION 7. Section Headings.

The section headings herein are for convenience of reference only, and shall not limit or otherwise affect the meaning hereof.

SECTION 8. Counterparts.

This Amendment may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which shall constitute but one and the same instrument.

[Signature pages follow]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Issuer, Co-Issuer and the Successor Trustee have caused their names to be signed hereto by their respective officers thereunto duly authorized, all as of the day and year first above written.

RED RIVER CLO LTD.,  
as Issuer

By:   
Name: **VIJAYABALAN MURUGESU**  
Title: **DIRECTOR**

RED RIVER CLO CORP.,  
as Co-Issuer

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

STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST, as  
Successor Trustee

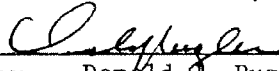
By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name:  
Title:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Issuer, Co-Issuer and the Successor Trustee have caused their names to be signed hereto by their respective officers thereunto duly authorized, all as of the day and year first above written.

RED RIVER CLO LTD.,  
as Issuer

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

RED RIVER CLO CORP.,  
as Co-Issuer

By:   
Name: Donald O. Puglisi  
Title: President

STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST, as  
Successor Trustee

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

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Issuer, Co-Issuer and the Successor Trustee have caused their names to be signed hereto by their respective officers thereunto duly authorized, all as of the day and year first above written.


RED RIVER CLO LTD.,  
as Issuer

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


RED RIVER CLO CORP.,  
as Co-Issuer

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


STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST, as  
Successor Trustee

By:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: **Brian Peterson**  
Title: **Director**

**CONSENTED AND AGREED TO BY:**

  
Name: Todd Travers  
Title: CEO & CFO  
E-mail address: tatravers@hcmvp.com  
Aggregate Outstanding Amount/Face Amount of Class II  
Preferred Shares Held: 45,000,000  
CUSIP/ISIN: 756873204

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., as  
Servicer

By:   
Name: Todd Travers  
Title: Senior Portfolio Manager  
Highland Capital Management, L.P.

## **EXHIBIT QQ**



## PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENCY AGREEMENT

As of August 3, 2006

U.S. Bank National Association, as  
Preference Shares Paying Agent  
Corporate Trust Services  
Red River CLO Ltd.  
One Federal Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Mailcode: EX-MA-FED  
Boston, Massachusetts 02110-2004

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Red River CLO Ltd., a company existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the “**Issuer**”), has resolved to appoint U.S. Bank National Association (“**U.S. Bank**”), as preference shares paying agent (the “**Preference Shares Paying Agent**”) for the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares issued by the Issuer (collectively, the “**Preference Shares**”). The Issuer hereby appoints U.S. Bank as such under the terms set forth below and confirms U.S. Bank’s agreement to distribute any funds to be paid to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Priority of Payments set forth in the Indenture (as defined herein). Reference is also made to the indenture, dated as of August 3, 2006, among the Issuer, Red River CLO Corp., as co-issuer (the “**Co-Issuer**”), and U.S. Bank, as trustee (the “**Indenture**”). Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings assigned thereto in the Indenture or, if not defined therein, certain resolutions passed at a meeting of the Issuer’s Board of Directors that was held on August 3, 2006, as reflected in the minutes thereof, including Annex A (“**Annex A**”) therein (the “**Resolutions**” and, together with this Agreement and the Issuer’s Memorandum and Articles of Association, the “**Preference Share Documents**”). The Preference Shares will be issued, and may be transferred, subject to the procedures set forth in Annex A to the Resolutions.

On the Closing Date, (i) all of the Class I Preference Shares will be offered and sold directly by the Issuer to Red River Investors Corp., an exempted limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands (“**Investors Corp.**”) and (ii) all of the Class II Preference Shares will be offered and sold by the Issuer directly to Highland Financial Partners, L.P. (“**HFP**”) (an Affiliate of the Servicer) and/or one or more of its subsidiaries. Investors Corp. will finance its purchase of the Class I Preference Shares by issuing preference shares (the “**Holding Preference Shares**”) in a number equal to the aggregate number of, at a price equal to the price of, such Class I Preference Shares purchased by it.

Section 1. Notice of Distribution to Directors. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, promptly after receipt of the Valuation Report, shall forward or make available to the directors of the Issuer (as identified to it by the Issuer) the Valuation Report which identifies the Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds, payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares on the applicable Payment Date.

Section 2. Payments of Dividends and Other Distributions, Amounts Not Distributable. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, subject to paragraphs (b), (c), (d) and (e) below, pay or cause to be paid, on behalf of the Issuer on each applicable Payment Date, the Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds received from the Trustee to the Holders of the Preference Shares as a distribution of dividend on such Payment Date. Such distributions of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds by way of dividend to the Holders of Preference Shares shall be paid *pro rata* in the proportion

that the number of Preference Shares held by each such Holder bears to the total number of Preference Shares. The Issuer, or the Share Registrar on its behalf, shall provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with a copy of the Preference Share register on the Closing Date and thereafter, the Share Registrar will promptly notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent of any changes to the Preference Share register. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall notify the Issuer and the Share Registrar of any transfers of Preference Shares known to it.

(b) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, distributions of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds by way of dividend to the Holders of Preference Shares on any Payment Date shall (i) be subject to the Issuer being solvent under Cayman Islands law (defined as the Issuer being able to pay its debts as they become due in the ordinary course of business) immediately prior to, and after giving effect to, such payment as determined by the Issuer and (ii) be made only to the extent that the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium out of which to make such payment as determined by the Issuer. If the Issuer determines that the conditions set forth in either clause (i) or (ii) above are not satisfied with respect to any portion of Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds payable on such Payment Date, the Issuer shall instruct the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing not later than one Business Day prior to such Payment Date that such portion of Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds, as applicable, should not be paid, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not pay the same, to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the first succeeding Payment Date, or (in the case of any payments which would otherwise be payable on the Redemption Date or any Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) until the first succeeding Business Day, upon which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing that each such condition is satisfied, at which time the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall distribute such amounts. To the extent available, distributions shall be made first out of distributable profits for the current Due Period, then out of distributable profits in excess of dividends for prior Due Periods and then out of share premium.

(c) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, distributions of the Redemption Price by way of redemption of the Preference Shares shall be subject to the Issuer being solvent under Cayman Islands law (defined as the Issuer being able to pay its debts as they become due in the ordinary course of business) immediately prior to, and after giving effect to, such distribution as determined by the Issuer. For purposes of this subsection (c), a determination as to whether the Issuer is solvent on the Redemption Date shall be made by the Issuer (A) after giving effect to any payments to be made on such Redemption Date and (B) in light of the fact that the obligations of the Issuer to the Holders of the Notes, the other Secured Parties and the other Persons subject to the Priority of Payments are limited in recourse to the Collateral, and not to amounts (i) in the Preference Shares Distribution Account, (ii) any other amounts released from the Collateral in accordance with the Indenture and held by or on behalf of the Issuer for the benefit of the Holders of the Preference Shares or (iii) amounts on deposit in the Issuer's bank account in the Cayman Islands, and that after the assets in the Collateral are exhausted, such parties will have no further claim against the Issuer. If the Issuer determines that such condition is not satisfied on a Redemption Date with respect to any portion of the Redemption Price, the Issuer shall instruct the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing not later than one Business Day prior to such Redemption Date that such portion should not be distributed, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not distribute the same, to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the first succeeding Business Day upon which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing that such condition is satisfied, and the amounts so retained in the Preference Shares Distribution Account will be held therein until such amounts are paid.

(d) On each Payment Date during the first two years following the Closing Date, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall distribute, on behalf of the Issuer, amounts received by it from amounts on deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account pursuant to Section 10.3(j) of the Indenture that are equal to the products of (a) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such

Payment Date and (b) the Servicing Fees then due and payable to the Servicer as described in Section 11.1(a)(i) of the Indenture, for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as the Class II Preference Share Special Payment. After the two-year anniversary of the Closing Date, the Preference Shares Payment Agent shall make distribution of such Class II Preference Share Special Payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares in an amount equal to any portion (between 0% and 100%) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable that the Servicer elects to waive at any time in its sole discretion.

(e) Dividends to the Holders of the Preference Shares (other than Class II Preference Share Special Payments) may be paid, in whole or in part on any Payment Date, with any Eligible Equity Securities held by, or on behalf of, the Issuer at such time in lieu of a distribution of Interest Proceeds. The Servicer, on behalf the Issuer, shall have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute any Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares (as identified to the Trustee by the Preference Shares Paying Agent) with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be due and payable on such Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to any such Payment Date shall be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be increased accordingly.

Section 3. Payments and Redemption. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall make payments or distributions (other than distributions of Eligible Equity Securities) to each registered Holder on the relevant Record Date (as set out in Annex A to the Resolutions) by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a U.S. Dollar account maintained by such Holder as notified to the Preference Shares Paying Agent or, in the absence of such notification, by U.S. Dollar check mailed to such Holder at its address of record. The Issuer shall, or shall procure that the Share Registrar will, provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with all relevant information regarding the registered Holders of the Preference Shares as the Preference Shares Paying Agent may reasonably require to the extent such information is in possession or control of the Issuer or Share Registrar.

(b) If the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, desires to make distributions of Eligible Equity Securities on any Payment Date in lieu of Interest Proceeds that are otherwise available for distribution to the Holders of Preference Shares on such Payment Date pursuant to the Priority of Payments as described in Section 2(e) above, the Servicer will notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Servicing Agreement not later than 20 calendar days prior to such Payment Date and provide the Trustee, the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding on the Record Date or promptly thereafter, but in no event later than two Business Days after the Record Date, to each Holder of the Preference Shares registered as such on the Record Date for such Payment Date) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding on the Record Date or promptly thereafter, but in no event later than two Business Days after the Record Date, to each Holder of the Holding Preference Shares registered as such on the Record Date for such Payment Date) with (i) details of the Eligible Equity Securities to be distributed, (ii) the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities determined as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date, (iii) any other information considered necessary by the Servicer in connection with such proposed distribution and (iv) any information as otherwise required by the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and/or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such proposed distribution. The Preference

Shares Paying Agent shall then mail such materials, within two Business Days of its receipt thereof from the Servicer, to each registered Holder of Preference Shares on the Record Date for such Payment Date along with a form of notice and consent (in a form attached hereto in Schedule I) seeking the written consent of each such Holder of Preference Shares to distribute such Eligible Equity Securities to such Holder in lieu of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date. Each Holder of the Preference Shares wishing to receive such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of a distribution of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such applicable Payment Date (each such Holder with respect to such Payment Date, a “**Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares**”) is required to deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent a written consent (which consent will be irrevocable) no later than five Business Days prior to such Payment Date. If any Holder of Preference Shares does not timely deliver its written consent to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in the manner set forth in such notice indicating its consent to the receipt of such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of a distribution of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date, such Holder shall be deemed to have not given its consent and shall not be a Consenting Holder of Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. On each applicable Payment Date (or as soon thereafter as reasonably practicable), Eligible Equity Securities shall be distributed *pro rata* to each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. Each Holder of Preference Shares that is not a Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares (and, for the avoidance of doubt, each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares to the extent the Market Value as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date of the *pro rata* portion of Eligible Equity Securities distributed to it on such Payment Date is less than the *pro rata* portion of the Interest Proceeds that it would have received on such Payment Date had the Eligible Equity Securities not been distributed on such Payment Date) on any applicable Payment Date shall receive a distribution of Interest Proceeds to the extent available in accordance with the Priority of Payments on such Payment Date in accordance with Section 2(e) herein and the Indenture.

(c) The Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be obligated to pay any additional amounts to Holders or beneficial owners of the Preference Shares as a result of any withholding or deduction for, or on account of, any present or future taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges. As a condition to payment of any amount, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, may require certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments or distributions in respect of Preference Shares under any present or future law or regulation of the United States or any present or future law or regulation of any political subdivision thereof or taxing authority therein or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under such law or regulation. Amounts properly withheld under the Code by any Person from a payment or distribution to a Holder of Preference Shares shall be considered as having been paid by the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent to such Holder for all purposes herein. The Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereby provide notice to each Holder or beneficial owner of the Preference Shares that the failure to provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with appropriate tax certifications will result in amounts being withheld from payments to such Holders or beneficial owners of the Preference Shares under this Agreement (provided that amounts withheld pursuant to applicable tax laws shall be considered as having been paid by the Issuer as provided herein).

(d) The Issuer, the Share Registrar and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem and treat the Holder of any Preference Shares as the absolute owner of such Preference Shares, notwithstanding any notation of ownership or other writing on any certificate representing such Preference Shares, for the purpose of paying dividends and other distributions thereon, and for all other purposes, and none of the Issuer, the Share Registrar or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be affected by any notice to the contrary. All such payments (including distributions of Eligible Equity Securities) so made to such Holder or upon such Holder’s order shall be valid and, to the extent of the

sum or sums so paid, effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability for the monies payable upon any such Preference Share.

(e) All payments by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder shall be made without charging any commission or fee to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

(f) On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Issuer shall redeem the Preference Shares for a redemption price equal to all amounts distributable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Priority of Payments set forth in the Indenture, unless the Preference Shares have been redeemed earlier through an optional redemption or otherwise. Upon final payment due on the Preference Shares (whether on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date or any earlier Redemption Date), the Holder thereof shall present and surrender the certificates, if any, representing the Preference Shares at the office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent on or prior to such final payment date. On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, all payments on redemption of Preference Shares to the Holders of the Preference Shares shall be made *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings.

Notice of final payment of the Preference Shares pursuant to an optional redemption in conjunction with an optional redemption of the Notes shall be given as set forth in Section 9.3 of the Indenture. Notice of any other final payment shall be given by the Preference Shares Paying Agent by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days nor earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date to each Holder of Preference Shares at such Holder's address as set forth in the Preference Share register.

All notices of redemption shall state:

- (i) the Redemption Date on which the Preference Shares are to be redeemed;
- (ii) the applicable Redemption Price for the Preference Shares being redeemed;
- (iii) the place or places where such Preference Shares to be redeemed are to be surrendered for payment of the applicable Redemption Price, which shall be the office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent; and
- (iv) in the case of an optional redemption, the latest possible date upon which such notice of redemption may be withdrawn.

The Issuer shall have the option to withdraw any such notice of redemption up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Trustee, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) and the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares) in each case only if either (i) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) of the Indenture, the Servicer does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications required under the Indenture (as described in Section 9.3(c) and 12.1(f) of the Indenture), as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, (ii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i) of the Indenture, the Issuer receives the written direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption and (iii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii) of the Indenture, the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer thereby agrees for the benefit of the directing person to withdraw

the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (ii) or this clause (iii)). Notice of any such withdrawal shall be delivered pursuant to Section 9.3 of the Indenture.

Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) or the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Holding Preference Shares) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Preference Shares.

(g) On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, so long as all administrative fees and expenses and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture and all amounts owing under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged:

(i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings; or

(ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, voting as a single Class or group, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such direction.

(h) If any Holder of Preference Shares desires to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Notes in accordance with Section 9.2(a) of the Indenture, such Holder shall notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Servicer not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made. If the Holders of at least a Super Majority of the Preference Shares direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Notes, the Issuer shall effect an Optional Redemption of the Notes pursuant to the procedures described in the Indenture.

(i) If any Holder of Preference Shares desires to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares after the redemption or repayment of the Notes and in accordance with paragraphs (g)(i) and (ii) above, such Holder shall notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent not later than 30 Business Days (or with the Servicer's consent, not later than 20 Business Days) prior to the proposed Redemption Date (which must be a Payment Date). Upon receiving such notice, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall promptly (and in no event later than two Business Days thereafter) notify the Issuer and each Holder of the Preference Shares thereof. Each Holder of Preference Shares that also wishes to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares must so notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent (who shall promptly notify the Issuer and the Servicer of such direction) within 20 Business Days after receipt of such notice. If the aggregate number of Preference Shares that have directed the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares equals or exceeds the minimum threshold set forth in paragraphs (g)(i) and (ii) above, the Issuer shall effect an optional redemption of the Preference Shares pursuant to the procedures described in the Preference Share Documents. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Preference Shares must be redeemed on or prior to the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. The Preference Shares shall be redeemed from the proceeds of any

Collateral remaining after giving effect to the redemption or repayment of the Notes and payment in full of all expenses of the Co-Issuers.

Section 4. Preference Shares Distribution Account. (a) On or prior to the Closing Date, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the "Preference Shares Distribution Account" (the "**Preference Shares Distribution Account**") that shall be held in trust in the name of the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the benefit of the Issuer, over which the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall cause the Trustee to make any payment pursuant to the Priority of Payments by wire transfer (or by internal transfer if the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent are the same Person) to the Preference Shares Distribution Account in immediately available funds. All sums received by the Preference Shares Paying Agent from the Trustee or the Issuer for payment of dividends or other distributions (other than the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) or the Redemption Price in respect of the Preference Shares shall be deposited promptly in the Preference Shares Distribution Account until the first Payment Date or, in the case of the payment of the Redemption Price in respect of the Preference Shares, the first Business Day, on which, in either case, the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent that such distribution can be made to the Holders of the Preference Shares in accordance with Section 2. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall then apply such funds as provided for in Section 3. All sums payable by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder shall be paid out of the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

(b) Notwithstanding anything herein, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not incur any personal liability to pay amounts due to Holders of the Preference Shares and shall only be required to make payments or other distributions (including the Redemption Price thereof) if there are sufficient monies in the Preference Shares Distribution Account to make such payments or other distributions.

(c) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no right of set off with respect to amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

(d) Amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account that are not paid out may be deposited in an interest-bearing account as directed in writing by the Issuer.

Section 5. Unclaimed Payments. Except as otherwise required by applicable law, any money deposited with the Preference Shares Paying Agent and held in the Preference Shares Distribution Account or otherwise held for payment on any Preference Share and remaining unclaimed for two years after such payment has become due and payable shall be paid to the Issuer upon Issuer Request; and the Holder of such Preference Share shall thereafter look only to the Issuer for payment of such amounts and all liability of the Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such money (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Issuer) shall thereupon cease. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, before being required to make any such release of payment, may, but shall not be required to, adopt and employ, at the expense of the Issuer any reasonable means of notification of such release of payment, including, but not limited to, arranging with the Share Registrar for the Share Registrar to mail notice of such release to Holders of Preference Shares whose right to or interest in monies due and payable but not claimed is determinable from the records of the Issuer or Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, at the last address of record of each such Holder.

Section 6. Additional Issuance of Preference Shares. (a) At any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the proceeds from such issuance and sale to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or as otherwise permitted under the

Preference Share Documents and the Indenture; provided that the following conditions are met: (i) the terms of the Preference Shares issued shall be identical to the terms of previously issued Preference Shares and (ii) the net proceeds of any additional Preference Shares shall be used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations. Such additional Preference Shares may be offered and sold at prices that differ from the initial offering prices of the outstanding Preference Shares; provided that the initial offering prices of additional Preference Shares shall not be below 100% of the face amount thereof. The Issuer shall cause purchases of additional Preference Shares made pursuant to an additional issuance of Preference Shares to comply individually and in the aggregate with the applicable purchase and transfer restrictions for the Preference Shares set forth herein in Section 9 and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

(b) Any additional Preference Shares issued shall, to the extent reasonably practicable, be offered by the Issuer first to the existing Holders of the Preference Shares, in such amounts as are necessary to preserve their *pro rata* holdings of the Preference Shares.

Section 7. Purchase and Redesignation of Preference Shares. (a) Each Holder or beneficial owner of a Preference Share, by its ownership of such Preference Share, acknowledges and agrees that each Non-Consenting Holder of Preference Shares with respect to an amendment of the Indenture (which includes Holders that fail to respond to a consent solicitation within the applicable period) will be forced to sell its applicable Preference Shares pursuant to Section 9.6 of the Indenture, whereby the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser is permitted to purchase the Preference Shares held by any such Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; provided that if any Non-Consenting Holder holds Class II Preference Shares, (i) such Non-Consenting Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to Investors Corp. and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares, (ii) Investors Corp. will issue additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such redesignated Preference Shares purchased by it and (iii) the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser will purchase such additional Holding Preference Shares in lieu of such redesignated Preference Shares.

(b) Each Holder or beneficial owner of a Preference Share will have the right to sell such Preference Share to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser upon a Maturity Extension pursuant to Section 2.4 of the Indenture at the applicable Extension Purchase Price and absent such sale shall be subject to an extension of the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date as set forth in the Indenture and the other aspects of a Maturity Extension under the Indenture; provided that if any Holder of Class II Preference Shares delivers an Extension Sale Notice notifying the Issuer and the Trustee of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Class II Preference Shares, (i) such Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to Investors Corp. and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares, (ii) Investors Corp. will issue additional Holding Preference Shares in a number equal to the aggregate number of, and at a price equal to the price of, such redesignated Preference Shares purchased by it and (iii) the Extension Qualifying Purchaser will purchase such additional Holding Preference Shares in lieu of such redesignated Preference Shares.

(c) The Share Registrar will record in the register maintained by it those Preference Shares which it has been notified in writing are held by HFP or any of its subsidiaries. Such Preference Shares shall be designated by the Share Registrar as Class II Preference Shares. HFP and its subsidiaries will agree not to transfer any of the Class II Preference Shares to any Person (including pursuant to the Amendment Buy-Out Option and a Maturity Extension as set out in paragraphs (a) and (b) above) other than Investors Corp. The Share Registrar will redesignate (i) Class II Preference Shares as Class I Preference Shares upon any transfer of such Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries



to Investors Corp. and (ii) Class I Preference Shares as Class II Preference Shares upon any transfer of Class I Preference Shares by Investors Corp. to HFP or any of its subsidiaries.

Section 8. Execution, Delivery and Dating. The certificates (if required by the Resolutions) relating to the Preference Shares shall be executed on behalf of the Issuer as provided for in the Memorandum and Articles of Association.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Agreement, the Issuer may deliver Preference Share certificates (the “**Preference Share Certificates**”) executed by the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, upon Issuer Order, shall deliver such Preference Share Certificates as provided in this Agreement and not otherwise.

Each Preference Share Certificate delivered by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to or upon Issuer Order on the Closing Date shall be dated the Closing Date. All other Preference Share Certificates that are delivered after the Closing Date for any other purpose under this Agreement shall be dated the date of their delivery.

Section 9. Registration and Registration of Transfer. (a) When the Preference Shares Paying Agent receives a request for transfer of Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall comply with its obligations as set forth in Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions.

(b) No transfer of the Preference Shares shall be registered if such transfer will result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors (as defined below) owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of either the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such transfer (excluding for purposes of such determination any Preference Shares held by any Controlling Person (as defined below) and its affiliates (such as the Preference Shares held by the Servicer or its affiliates) that is not also a Benefit Plan Investor) determined in accordance with the Plan Asset Regulation issued by the United States Department of Labor and found at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 (the “**Plan Asset Regulation**”). Each purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share will be required to represent and agree whether or not such purchaser is, or is using the assets of, or will at any time throughout its holding and disposition of such Preference Share be or become, (i) an “employee benefit plan” as defined in Section 3(3) of the United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“**ERISA**”), whether or not subject to Title I ERISA and including any foreign, church or governmental plan, (ii) a “plan” described in Section 4975(c)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “**Code**”) or (iii) any entity whose underlying assets include “plan assets” of any of the foregoing by reason of an investment in the entity by such a plan or arrangement. In addition, each purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share (other than the Servicer or its affiliates) will be required to represent and agree whether or not it is, or is using the assets of, or will at any time throughout its holding and disposition of such Preference Share be or become the Servicer or any other person that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer or any “affiliate” (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) or any such person (any such person, a “Controlling Person”). If, after a purchaser’s or transferee’s initial acquisition of Preference Shares, the purchaser or transferee determines or the Issuer, the Share Registrar or the Preference Shares Paying Agent obtain actual knowledge that such purchaser or transferee has breached any of the foregoing representations, such purchaser or transferee will dispose of its interest in the Preference Shares in a manner consistent with the requirements set forth in Annex A to the Resolutions. Each purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share will be required to represent that either (i) it is not, and is not acquiring such Preference Share with the assets of, an “employee benefit plan” as defined under Section 3(3) of ERISA and that is subject to Title I of ERISA, any “plan” described in Section 4975(e) of the Code or a foreign, governmental or church plan subject to any federal, state, local or foreign law that is substantially

similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (each such plan, a “Covered Plan”) and throughout the holding of such Preference Share, it will not become or transfer its interest to any Covered Plan or to an entity using the assets thereof, or (ii) the acquisition and holding of such Preference Share by the purchaser or transferee, throughout its holding and disposition of such Preference Share, will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a foreign, governmental or church plan, any similar law), because such purchase, holding and disposition either (x) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (y) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all of the conditions of which are and will be satisfied upon its acquisition of, and throughout its holding and disposition of, such Preference Share. Each purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share will be required to represent and agree that it will not transfer such Preference Share in violation of any of the foregoing representations and agreements, that any purported transfer that does not comply with such representations and agreements will be null and void *ab initio* and will vest in the transferee no rights against the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Issuer, and that such purchaser or transferee, as applicable, and any fiduciary or other Person causing it to acquire such Preference Share shall, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Share Paying Agent, the Servicer, the Share Registrar, the Placement Agents and their respective affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of any transfer in violation of any of the foregoing.

(c) The Preference Shares Paying Agent agrees that, after the initial distribution of the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares, neither it nor any of its affiliates will acquire any Class E Notes or Preference Shares (including pursuant to a Maturity Extension or the Amendment Buy-Out Option) unless such acquisition would not, as determined by the Trustee, result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of any of the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such acquisition (determined in accordance with the Plan Asset Regulation, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents). The Class E Notes and the Preference Shares held by the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any of its affiliates (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% limitation to the extent that such person has represented that it is not a Benefit Plan Investor.

(d) Notwithstanding anything else contained herein to the contrary, neither the Preference Shares Paying Agent nor the Share Registrar shall be responsible for ascertaining whether any purchase or transfer complies with the registration provisions of or exemptions from the Securities Act, applicable state laws, the Code, ERISA, the Plan Asset Regulation or the Investment Company Act; provided that if a certificate or other written representation is specifically required by the express terms of this Agreement or Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions to be delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by the purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine whether the same substantially conforms on its face with the terms of this Agreement or Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions, as applicable, and shall promptly notify the party delivering the same if such certificate does not comply with such terms.

(e) The Issuer shall (and shall cause the Share Registrar to) consult the Preference Shares Paying Agent in connection with all transfers of Preference Shares and shall (and shall cause the Share Registrar to) direct all transferors and transferees to correspond through the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Share Registrar will not be required to determine whether any proposed transfer, redemption or other transaction in relation to the Preference Shares complies with any restrictions imposed by law or under the terms of the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents but shall be entitled to rely completely in that respect on the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

(f) In the event that the Preference Shares Paying Agent is notified by the Issuer (or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer) that any Holder of Preference Shares has failed to provide the Issuer with the applicable United States federal income tax certifications, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall notify the Share Registrar and request that it not record such transfer. Except as expressly provided herein or as required by this Agreement in connection with the Preference Shares Paying Agent's obligations to the Holders of Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no obligation to oversee or participate in any such transfer of Preference Shares.

Section 10. Fees and Indemnification. The fee to be paid in connection with the Preference Shares Paying Agent's appointment and duties as Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be paid pursuant to a letter agreement dated August 3, 2006 between the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Servicer on behalf of Investors Corp. and the Issuer. The fees payable hereunder shall be paid by the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent's account as directed by the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Issuer will indemnify the Preference Shares Paying Agent and its officers, directors, employees and agents, against any loss, liability or expense (including reasonable legal fees and out-of-pocket expenses of counsel) incurred in connection with their appointment and duties hereunder, except such as result from their own gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Preference Shares Paying Agent agrees that such fees and indemnification shall be treated as an Administrative Expense of the Issuer as defined in the Indenture and paid pursuant to the Priority of Payments. Anything in this Agreement notwithstanding, in no event shall the Preference Shares Paying Agent be liable for special, indirect or consequential losses or damages of any kind whatsoever (including but not limited to loss of profits), even if the Preference Shares Paying Agent has been advised of such loss or damage and regardless of the form of action. The obligation of the Issuer to indemnify the Preference Shares Paying Agent under this Section 10 shall survive retirement of the Preference Shares and any resignation or removal of the Preference Shares Paying Agent but shall remain subject to the provisions of Section 23.

Section 11. Liabilities. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be responsible or accountable to anyone for any reason whatsoever with respect to the validity of this Agreement or of the Preference Shares, or for any act done or omitted by it in good faith, or for anything whatsoever in connection with this Agreement, except for its own gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct in the performance of any duty to be performed by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder.

(b) The Preference Shares Paying Agent may consult as to legal matters with lawyers selected with due care by it, who may be employees of or regular independent counsel to the Issuer, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be protected from and shall incur no liability for action taken, or suffered to be taken, with respect to such matters in good faith and in accordance with the opinion or advice of such lawyers.

(c) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be protected from and shall incur no liability for or in respect of any action taken or thing suffered by it in reliance upon any Preference Shares, notice, direction, consent, certificate, affidavit, statement or other paper or document reasonably believed by it to be genuine and to have been delivered or signed by the proper parties, except as may result from its own gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct or that of its directors, officers, employees or agents.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be under any liability for interest on any money at any time received by it pursuant to any of the provisions of this Agreement, except as otherwise agreed in writing with the Issuer.

(e) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not incur any liability with respect to the validity or value of any of the Preference Shares unless otherwise specified herein.

Section 12. Conflicts. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent and its officers, directors and employees may, subject to the restrictions set forth in Section 9(c), become the Holder of, or acquire any interest in, any Preference Shares, with the same rights that it or they would have if it were not the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder, or they were not such officers, directors, or employees, and may engage or be interested in any fiscal or other transaction with the Issuer and may act on, or as depository, trustee or agent for, any committee or body of Holders of Preference Shares or other indebtedness of the Issuer as freely as if it were not the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder or they were not such officers, directors, or employees.

(b) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be obliged to perform such duties and only such duties as are specifically set forth herein, and no implied duties or obligations shall be read into this Agreement or the Indenture against the Preference Shares Paying Agent. Except for Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions (to the extent they do not contradict this Agreement), the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no duties under Annex A to the Resolutions. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be under any obligation to take any action hereunder that may tend to involve it in any expenses or liability, the payment of which within a reasonable time is not, in its reasonable opinion, assured to it. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be accountable or under any duty or responsibility in case of any default of which the Preference Shares Paying Agent has knowledge by the Issuer in the performance of its obligations contained in the Memorandum and Articles of Association and Annex A to the Resolutions (including, without limitation, any duty or responsibility to initiate or attempt to initiate any proceedings at law or otherwise or to make any demand for payment upon the Issuer).

(c) In acting under this Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agent is acting solely as agent of the Issuer and does not assume any obligations to, or relationship of agency or trust for or with any of the owners or Holders of the Preference Shares. All funds held by the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment on the Preference Shares shall be held in trust for the Issuer, until paid.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, as between itself and the Holders of the Preference Shares, with respect to all the obligations, powers, authorities and discretions, vested in it hereunder and under the Memorandum and Articles of Association and the Resolutions, have absolute and uncontrolled discretion as to the exercise thereof whether in relation to the manner or as to the mode of and time for the exercise thereof and, in the absence of gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct on its part or that of its officers, directors or employees shall be in no way responsible for any loss, costs, damages or inconvenience that may result from the exercise or non-exercise thereof.

Section 13. Amendment. (a) This Agreement may be amended by the parties hereto, without the consent of the Holders of any Preference Shares, for the purpose of curing any ambiguity, or of curing, correcting or supplementing any defective provision contained herein, or in regard to matters or questions arising under this Agreement as the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem necessary or desirable and which shall not materially adversely affect the interests of Holders of the Preference Shares. In addition, this Agreement may be amended without the consent of any Holders of the Preference Shares and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Preference Shares in order to prevent the Issuer from becoming an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); provided that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer shall have received a

customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such supplemental indenture, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

(b) Unless otherwise as set forth in subsection (a) above, this Agreement may be amended with the consent of Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares materially and adversely affected thereby.

(c) Any amendment to this Agreement must be in writing executed by each party hereto.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to its duties and obligations herein) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an opinion of counsel, consent or certificate of the Issuer in determining whether or not any proposed amendment is permitted hereunder.

(e) Any amendment to this Agreement that would necessitate a change to the Memorandum and Articles of Association may only be made after a Special Resolution (as therein defined) has been passed to permit the Memorandum and Articles of Association to be altered to conform with such proposed amendment.

Section 14. Resignation or Removal of the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Preference Shares Paying Agent may at any time resign as the Preference Shares Paying Agent, by giving written notice to the Issuer of its resignation, specifying the date on which its resignation shall become effective (which date shall not be less than 60 days after the date on which such notice is given unless the Issuer shall agree to a shorter period). The Issuer may remove the Preference Shares Paying Agent at any time by giving written notice of not less than 60 days to the Preference Shares Paying Agent specifying the date on which such removal shall become effective. Such resignation or removal shall only take effect upon the appointment by the Issuer of a successor Preference Shares Paying Agent and upon the acceptance of such appointment by such successor Preference Shares Paying Agent; provided, however, that if the successor Preference Shares Paying Agent has not been appointed within 60 days after such notice of resignation or removal, then the Preference Shares Paying Agent, or any Holder of Preference Shares, may, on behalf of himself and others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Preference Shares Paying Agent; provided, further, that after the retirement of the Notes, if the Issuer determines that no material distributions will be paid on the Preference Shares, the Issuer may remove the Preference Shares Paying Agent at any time, by giving written notice of not less than 10 days, and assume the duties of the Preference Shares Paying Agent itself.

Section 15. Assignment. No party hereto may assign or novate any of its rights or obligations hereunder except with the prior written consent of all the parties hereto.

Section 16. Merger, Conversion, Consolidation or Succession to Business of Preference Shares Paying Agent. Any entity into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any entity resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Preference Shares Paying Agent is a party, or any entity succeeding to all or substantially all of the corporate trust business of the Preference Shares Paying Agent, shall be the successor of the Preference Shares Paying Agent under this Agreement without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto.

Section 17. Reports and Notices. The Issuer hereby authorizes the Preference Shares Paying Agent to deliver or request the Trustee to deliver all Monthly Reports and Valuation Reports (each a “**Report**” and, collectively, “**Reports**”) prepared pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver, or shall cause the Trustee to deliver a copy of any such Report to such Holders within two Business Days of receipt of any such Report. In addition, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver, or shall cause the Trustee to deliver, a copy of any other notice or information that it has received from the Trustee under the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares within two Business Days of receipt of such notice and information. Any notices or information to be delivered by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to this Agreement shall be delivered, in each case, (i) by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to each Holder of a Preference Share at the address appearing in the Preference Share register or (ii) with respect to delivery of the Reports, by making such Reports available via its internet website, initially located at <https://trustinvestorreporting.usbank.com>. All information made available on the Preference Shares Paying Agent’s website shall be restricted and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall only provide access to such reports to those parties entitled thereto pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. In connection with providing access to its website, the Preference Shares Paying Agent may require registration and the acceptance of a disclaimer. Questions regarding the Preference Shares Paying Agent’s website may be directed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent’s customer service desk at (866) 252-4360.

Section 18. Notices. (a) All communications by or on behalf of the Issuer relating to the transfer or payment of a Preference Share or any interest therein shall be directed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent at its address set forth in clause (b)(ii) below. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall mail any notice it receives from the Trustee (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) to the Holders of the Preference Shares on the Business Day it receives such notice.

Where this Agreement provides for notice to Holders of the Preference Shares of any event, such notice shall be sufficiently given (unless otherwise herein expressly provided) if such notice is in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, to each Holder of the Preference Shares affected by such event, at such Holder’s address as it appears on the Preference Share register, not later than the latest date, and not earlier than the earliest date, prescribed for the giving of such notice.

Neither the failure to mail such notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Holder of Preference Shares shall affect the sufficiency of such notice with respect to other Holders. Any notice that is given in the manner herein provided shall conclusively be presumed to have been duly given whether or not actually received by such Holder. Any notice to Holders of the Preference Shares provided for in this Agreement will be deemed to have been given on the date of mailing.

Any notice by any Holder of Holding Preference Shares delivered to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be treated by the Preference Shares Paying Agent, for the purposes of this Agreement, as a notice, by a Holder of Preference Shares with respect to a number of Preference Shares equal to the number of Holding Preference Shares with respect to which such notice relates, delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent on the same date such notice is delivered to the Holding Preference Shares Paying Agent.

Where this Agreement provides for notice in any manner, such notice may be waived in writing by any Person entitled to receive such notice, either before or after the event, and such waiver shall be the equivalent of such notice.

In the event that, by reason of the suspension of the regular mail service as a result of a strike, work stoppage or similar activity, it shall be impractical to mail notice of any event to Holders of the Preference Shares when such notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this Agreement, then any manner of giving such notice as shall be satisfactory to the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be deemed to be a sufficient giving of such notice.

(b) Notices and other communications hereunder shall (except to the extent otherwise expressly provided) be in writing and shall be addressed as follows, or to such other addresses as the parties hereto shall specify from time to time:

(i) if to the Issuer:

Red River CLO Ltd.  
P.O. Box 1234  
Queensgate House, South Church Street  
George Town, Grand Cayman  
Cayman Islands  
Fax: (345) 945-6265  
Attention: The Directors

(ii) if to the Preference Shares Paying Agent:

U.S. Bank National Association  
Corporate Trust Services  
One Federal Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Mailcode: EX-MA-FED  
Boston, Massachusetts 02110-2004  
Fax: (866) 350-3148  
Attention: CDO Unit—Red River CLO Ltd.

Section 19. Covenants of the Issuer. The Issuer shall not take any action under this Agreement or the Indenture that requires the authorization, direction or consent from the Holders of the Preference Shares without obtaining such authorization, direction or consent from the Holders of the Preference Shares. It shall be the responsibility of the Issuer to satisfy the Preference Shares Paying Agent as to the compliance with the foregoing condition (on which the Preference Shares Paying Agent may rely on in good faith).

Section 20. Transfer of Issuer Ordinary Shares. For so long as any of the Preference Shares are Outstanding, the Issuer shall not agree to the transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares to U.S. Persons (as defined in the Code), and shall not transfer any such Issuer Ordinary Shares to any Person other than a Person which is a resident of the Cayman Islands.

Section 21. Certain Tax Matters. (a) On demand of the Issuer, a Holder or beneficial owner of a Preference Share will notify the Issuer whether or not the Holder or beneficial owner of such Preference Share is a United States person within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code and the name and status of such Holder or beneficial owner as an individual, partnership, corporation, or other entity and such other information as the Issuer shall reasonably request for purposes of tax reporting of the Issuer or other Holders of the Preference Shares.

(b) The Issuer will cause the Independent accountants to make a determination as to whether a Holder's investment in the Preference Shares has become a "reportable transaction" as

described in Treasury Regulation Section 1.6011-4 because, after the Closing Date, the Issuer entered into a transaction whereby the Issuer recognized a significant loss or otherwise. If the Holder's investment in the Preference Shares has become such a "reportable transaction," then the Issuer shall provide to Holders of Preference Shares any information available to it which may be reasonably necessary for such Holders of Preference Shares to comply with any disclosure requirements under Section 6011 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder with respect to its investment in the Preference Shares.

(c) The Issuer will provide or cause to be provided to each Holder or beneficial owner of the Preference Shares (or its designee), upon written request therefor, any information that such Holder or beneficial owner reasonably requests to assist such Holder or beneficial owner with regard to its or its equity owners' U.S. federal income tax filing requirements.

(d) Each Holder and beneficial owner of the Preference Shares agrees to treat the Preference Shares as equity of the Issuer and the Notes as debt of the Issuer for U.S. federal, state and local income tax purposes, if applicable.

(e) The Issuer will make an election to be treated as a partnership, and will take all necessary actions to maintain its status as a partnership (or, if the Issuer is treated as owned by one person, as a disregarded entity of such person) for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

(f) The Issuer shall not participate in listing or including the Class E Notes or Preference Shares on or in any Established Securities Markets, and shall not participate in establishing any Established Securities Market for its Class E Notes or Preference Shares. In addition, the Issuer shall not recognize any transfers made on any Established Securities Markets with respect to its Class E Notes or Preference Shares (including any transfers of any financial instrument (other than the Senior Notes) or contract the value of which is determined in whole or in part by reference to the Issuer).

(g) Transfers of Preference Shares may only be made upon receipt by the Preference Shares Paying Agent of (1) appropriate documentation required under the Code and the applicable Treasury regulations establishing that the beneficial owner of the Preference Shares to be transferred is either not a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-8BEN or an IRS Form W-8IMY with appropriate attachments) or a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-9) and (2) if such beneficial owner of Preference Shares to be transferred is treated as a partnership, S-corporation or grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a written representation from such beneficial owner that (i) there will not be any interests in such beneficial owner where substantially all of the value of such interest is attributable to the value of the Preference Shares proposed to be transferred to such beneficial owner, together with the value of any Class E Notes, Holding Preference Shares and Preference Shares already held by such beneficial owner and (ii) such beneficial owner is not a part of any arrangement a principal purpose of which is to cause the Class E Notes and Preference Shares to be treated as owned by 100 persons or less within the meaning of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h). In addition, neither the Preference Shares Paying Agent nor the Issuer shall recognize any transfers of Preference Shares, and any such proposed transfer shall be null and void, if (a) the proposed transfer will cause the Issuer to have more than ninety-nine beneficial owners (as determined for purposes of the provisions of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h)) of its Class E Notes and Preference Shares unless it receives the consent of all of the Holders of the Preference Shares and an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that Holders of the Notes will not recognize gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such transfer, and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such transfer had not been made or (b) such transfer was made pursuant to a trade on an Established Securities Market. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall contact the Trustee to determine the number of beneficial owners of the Class E Notes. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall provide, upon request by the Trustee, the number of beneficial owners of the Preference Shares.



Section 22. Minimum Lots. Preference Shares must be held in minimum lots of 100 Preference Shares per investor and integral multiples of one Preference Share in excess thereof.

Section 23. Limited Recourse; No Petition. The Preference Shares Paying Agent hereby acknowledges and agrees that the Issuer's obligations hereunder will be solely the corporate obligations of the Issuer, and that the Preference Shares Paying Agent will not have any recourse to any of the directors, officers, employees, shareholders or Affiliates of the Issuer with respect to any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations in connection with any transactions contemplated hereby. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, recourse in respect of any obligations of the Issuer hereunder will be limited to the proceeds of the Collateral, paid pursuant to the Priority of Payments and on the exhaustion thereof all obligations of and all claims against the Issuer arising from this Agreement or any transactions contemplated hereby shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, by entering into this Agreement, hereby covenants and agrees that it will not, prior to the date which is one year and one day (or, if longer, the applicable preference period) after the payment in full of all amounts owing under the Indenture and this Agreement, institute against the Issuer, or voluntarily join in any institution against the Issuer of, any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency or liquidation proceedings, or other proceedings under any United States federal or state bankruptcy or similar law of any jurisdiction within or without the United States in connection with any obligations relating to the Preference Shares or this Agreement. The provisions of this Section 23 shall survive termination of this Agreement for any reason whatsoever.

Section 24. (a) GOVERNING LAW. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

(b) WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL. EACH OF THE ISSUER AND THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY AND ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, THE PREFERENCE SHARES OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY.

(c) Service of Process. The Issuer irrevocably appoints U.S. Bank National Association (the "**Process Agent**") c/o U.S. Bank Trust National Association, located at 100 Wall Street, New York, New York 10005, to receive, for it and on its behalf, service of process in any suit, action or proceeding relating to this Agreement. If for any reason the Process Agent is unable to act as such, the Issuer shall promptly notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent and within 30 days appoint a substitute process agent acceptable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

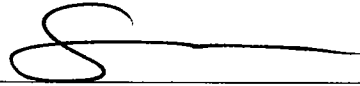
Section 25. Signatures. This Agreement may be signed in two or more counterparts with the same effect as if the signatures thereto and hereto were upon the same instrument. A facsimile signature shall be considered due execution and shall be binding upon the signatory thereto with the same force and effect as if the signature were an original.

**[The Remainder Of This Page Has Been Intentionally Left Blank.]**

Please indicate your acceptance of this appointment and the terms of this Agreement by signing and returning the enclosed copy of this Agreement. The Issuer by signing this Agreement confirms its agreement to the terms stated herein.

Very truly yours,

RED RIVER CLO LTD.

By: 

Name: **SCOTT DAKERS**

Title: **DEPUTY**

Accepted and agreed to on this 3 day of August, 2006.

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

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

Name

Title:

Please indicate your acceptance of this appointment and the terms of this Agreement by signing and returning the enclosed copy of this Agreement. The Issuer by signing this Agreement confirms its agreement to the terms stated herein.

Very truly yours,

RED RIVER CLO LTD.

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

Name:

Title:

Accepted and agreed to on this 3 day of August, 2006.

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

By: 

Name **Thomas H. Belcher**

Title: **Vice President**

**SCHEDULE I**

**Notice of Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities**

Date: [\_\_\_\_\_]

[Name of Holder]

[address]

Attention: [\_\_\_\_\_]

Copy:

Red River CLO Ltd.  
P.O. Box 1234  
Queensgate House  
South Church Street  
George Town  
Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands  
Attention: the Directors

Re: Red River CLO Ltd.  
Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of Interest

Proceeds

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This letter is to inform you that Highland Capital Management, L.P., in its capacity as servicer (the “**Servicer**”) with respect to that certain servicing agreement, dated as of August 3, 2006, by and between Red River CLO Ltd. (the “**Issuer**”) and the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, would like to distribute Eligible Equity Securities on the Payment Date of [\_\_\_\_], 20[\_\_\_\_] to the Holders of the Preference Shares in lieu of the Interest Proceeds, in whole or in part, that are otherwise due and payable to such Holders on such Payment Date. Such Eligible Equity Securities will be distributed in accordance with Sections 2(e) and 3(b) of that certain paying agency agreement, dated as of August 3, 2006 (the “**Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement**”), by and between the Issuer and U.S. Bank National Association, in its capacity as preference shares paying agent (the “**Preference Shares Paying Agent**”) and Section 11.1(a)(i) of that certain indenture, dated as of August 3, 2006, by and between the Issuer, Red River CLO Corp. and U.S. Bank National Association, in its capacity as trustee (the “**Trustee**”). Any capitalized terms used without definition herein are used with the meanings assigned to such terms in the Indenture.

Details with respect to the proposed distribution of such Eligible Equity Securities are attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Each Holder of the Preference Shares wishing to receive such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder (each such Holder, a “**Consenting Holder**”) must deliver the consent notice attached hereto as Exhibit B (the “**Consent Notice**”) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent not later than five Business Days prior to such

Payment Date. Each Consenting Holder must indicate in the Consent Notice the portion of Preference Shares held by such Holder for which such Holder wishes to receive a distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of Interest Proceeds. Any Consent Notice that is not delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in the manner set forth herein shall be deemed to have not been delivered.

Please contact [ ] (*insert e-mail address*) at [( ) - ] with any questions.

Sincerely,

U.S. Bank National Association  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent

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

**EXHIBIT A**

**EXHIBIT B**

**CONSENT NOTICE**

The undersigned hereby consents to a distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of the Interest Proceeds due and payable as dividends with respect to [ ] of the Preference Shares held by the undersigned on the Payment Date of [ ], 20[ ].

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 20[ ]

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Holder

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Authorized Signatory

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Authorized Signatory

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Title of Authorized Signatory

## ANNEX A

To the Minutes of the Resolutions of the Board of Directors of  
RED RIVER CLO LTD.

The Issuer may perform any of the functions set forth in this Annex A through the Preference Shares Paying Agent under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement or the Administrator in its capacity as Share Registrar under the Administration Agreement.

Section 1. Definitions.

Except as otherwise specified herein or as the context may otherwise require, the following terms have the respective meanings set forth below for all purposes of this Annex A, and the definitions of such terms are equally applicable both to the singular and plural forms of such terms and to the masculine, feminine and neuter genders of such terms. Capitalized terms used in this Annex A and not defined herein will have the meanings given to them in the Indenture, dated as of August 3, 2006, by and among Red River CLO Ltd. (the **“Issuer”**), Red River CLO Corp., as co-issuer and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee.

**“Authorized Amount”**: 100 Preference Shares and integral multiples of 1.

**“Controlling Person”**: Any person that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer or any "affiliate" (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) of any such person.

**“Corporate Trust Office”**: The corporate trust office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent at which the Preference Shares Paying Agent performs its duties under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, currently having an address of One Federal Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Mailcode: EX-MA-FED, Boston, Massachusetts 02110, telecopy no. (866) 350-3148, Attention: CDO Unit—Red River CLO Ltd. or any other address the Preference Shares Paying Agent designates from time to time by notice to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Trustee, the Issuer and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Preference Shares Paying Agent.

**“ERISA Plan”**: Any “employee benefit plan” (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of Title I of ERISA, any “plan” described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code subject to Section 4975 of the Code and any entity whose underlying assets include the assets of any such employee benefit plan and/or plan.

**“Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date”**: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Payment Date in August, 2022); provided that the “Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in August, 2034.



**“Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor”**: The meaning specified in Section 10(b).

**“Non-Permitted Holder”**: The meaning specified in Section 10(a).

**“Plan Asset Regulation”**: The regulation issued by the United States Department of Labor and found at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101.

**“Preference Shares”**: Preference Shares sold or transferred to a Person who is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (b)(1) a Qualified Purchaser or (2) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and evidenced by a physical certificate in definitive, fully registered form in the form set forth in Exhibit A hereto.

**“Record Date”**: As to any Payment Date, the 15<sup>th</sup> day (whether or not a Business Day) before the Payment Date.

**“Resolutions”**: The meaning specified in the minutes to which this Annex A is attached.

**“Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date”**: July 27, 2018 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date.

**“Shareholders” or “Holders”**: With respect to any Preference Shares, the Person in whose name such Preference Shares are registered in the Share Register.

**“Share Register”**: The meaning specified in Section 5(a).

**“Share Registrar”**: The meaning specified in Section 5(a).

**“Transferee Certificate”**: A certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B attached hereto, duly completed as appropriate.

## Section 2. Form of Preference Shares.

Preference Shares shall be issued in the form of one or more certificated Preference Shares as set forth in Exhibit A hereto.

Preference Shares may be offered, sold or delivered or resold only to Persons who are both (x) Qualified Institutional Buyers who purchase such Preference Shares for their own account or for the account of Qualified Institutional Buyers in reliance on Rule 144A under the Securities Act and (y) either (i) Qualified Purchasers or (ii) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers.

## Section 3. Authorized Minimum Number of Preference Shares.

The Preference Shares shall be issuable only in an Authorized Amount. The Share Registrar shall not register any transfer of Preference Shares if, after giving effect to such transfer, any transferee and any transferor that continues to hold Preference Shares would hold less than an Authorized Amount of Preference Shares.

Section 4. Execution.

The certificates representing the Preference Shares shall be executed on behalf of the Issuer by one of the Authorized Officers of the Issuer. The signature of such Authorized Officers on the Preference Share certificates may be manual or facsimile.

Preference Share certificates bearing the manual or facsimile signatures of individuals who were at any time the Authorized Officers of the Issuer shall be valid, notwithstanding the fact that such individuals or any of them have ceased to hold such offices prior to the execution and delivery of such Preference Share certificates or did not hold such offices at the date of issuance of such Preference Share certificates.

Preference Share certificates issued upon transfer of Preference Shares shall be issued in an Authorized Amount reflecting the numbers of Preference Shares so transferred and, if applicable, retained by the transferor.

No Person shall be entitled to any benefit under the Preference Share Documents until such time as such Person and the number of Preference Shares held by such Person have been recorded in the Share Register. Notwithstanding delivery of a Preference Share certificate, the Share Register shall be conclusive evidence, and the only evidence, of the issuance and registered Holders of Preference Shares.

Section 5. Registration, Registration of Transfer and Exchange.

(a) The Issuer shall cause to be kept a register (the “**Share Register**”) in the Cayman Islands in which, subject to such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe, the Issuer shall provide for the registration and registration of transfers thereof of Preference Shares. The Administrator is appointed the “**Share Registrar**” pursuant to the Administration Agreement for the purpose of registering Preference Shares and transfers of Preference Shares. Upon any resignation or removal of the Share Registrar, the Issuer shall promptly appoint a successor or, in the absence of such appointment, assume the duties of Share Registrar. The Share Registrar shall promptly provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with copies of all notices, certificates and requests received with respect to the Preference Shares and promptly provide notice of all transfers of Preference Shares. The Share Registrar shall not be required to determine whether any proposed transfer, redemption or other transaction in relation to the Preference Shares complies with any restrictions imposed by law or under the terms of the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents but shall be entitled to rely completely in that respect on the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

The Issuer will give the Preference Shares Paying Agent prompt written notice of the appointment of any successor Share Registrar and of the location, and any change in the location, of the Share Registrar, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have the right to inspect the Share Register at all reasonable times and to obtain copies thereof and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have the right to rely upon a certificate executed on behalf of such Share Registrar by an Officer thereof as to the names and addresses of the Shareholders and the numbers of Preference Shares held by each Shareholder. If the Preference Shares Paying Agent

resigns or is removed in accordance with the terms of the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement, the Issuer shall promptly appoint a successor.

Subject to this Section 5, upon surrender of a Preference Share certificate for registration of transfer thereof at the offices of the Preference Shares Paying Agent in compliance with the provisions set forth in the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall notify the Issuer and the Share Registrar thereof and the Issuer shall execute and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver, in the name of the designated transferee or transferees, one or more new Preference Share certificates of like terms and of a like number, and the Share Register shall be amended accordingly. The Issuer shall (and shall cause the Share Registrar to) refuse to register any transfer of any Preference Share to the fullest extent allowed under Cayman Islands law if such transfer would violate any of the transfer restrictions provided in this Section 5 or the transferee fails to provide a required transfer certificate.

All Preference Share certificates presented or surrendered for registration of transfer shall be duly endorsed, or be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar, duly executed by the Holder of Preference Shares thereof or its attorney duly authorized in writing.

No service charge shall be made to a Holder for any registration of transfer of Preference Shares, but the Preference Shares Paying Agent may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

(b) No Preference Share may be sold or transferred (including, without limitation, by pledge or hypothecation) unless such sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act and is exempt under applicable state securities law.

No Preference Share may be offered, sold or delivered except in accordance with this Section 5. None of the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any other Person may register the Preference Shares under the Securities Act or any state securities law.

For so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding, neither the Issuer nor the Share Registrar shall register any transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares to U.S. Persons.

If a Holder of a Preference Shares wishes at any time to transfer its interest in such Preference Shares, such Holder may cause the transfer of such interest, subject to the restrictions set forth herein. Upon receipt by the Preference Shares Paying Agent of (A) such Holder's Preference Share certificates duly endorsed and (B) a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B attached hereto given by the transferee of such Preference Shares and stating, among other things, that either the Person acquiring such interest in the Preference Shares is a (1) Qualified Institutional Buyer and (2) a Qualified Purchaser or an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers then the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall instruct the Share Registrar to, and the Share Registrar shall (i) cancel the Preference Shares certificate representing such Preference Shares and the Share Registrar will issue to such transferee a Preference Shares

certificate representing the Preference Shares transferred and (ii) update the Share Register to reflect such transfer.

Any transfer will be subject to the requirement that any transferee (and transferor, in the case of a partial transfer) acquire (and retain, if applicable) Preference Shares in an Authorized Amount.

Each Transferee Certificate furnished pursuant to this Section 5(b) may be relied on conclusively by the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar. None of the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Share Registrar or any other Person shall be required to register the Preference Shares under the Securities Act or any state securities laws.

(c) By delivery of a Subscription Agreement on the Closing Date in connection with the initial issuance of the Preference Shares, or upon delivery of a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B upon the transfer of Preference Shares, each Holder of a Preference Share will represent, warrant and agree with the Issuer to what is in Exhibit B and set forth in Exhibit B.

If Preference Share certificates are issued upon the transfer, exchange or replacement of Preference Share certificates and a request is made to remove the applicable legend on such Preference Share certificates, the Preference Share certificates so issued shall bear such applicable legend, or such applicable legend shall not be removed, as the case may be, unless there is addressed to the Issuer and delivered to the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent on the Issuer's behalf such satisfactory evidence, which may include an opinion of counsel as may be reasonably required by the Issuer to the effect that neither such applicable legend nor the restrictions on transfer set forth therein are required to ensure that transfers thereof comply with the provisions of Rule 144A under the Securities Act or the Investment Company Act. Upon provision of such satisfactory evidence, the Issuer shall execute and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver Preference Share certificates that do not bear such applicable legend.

(d) At any time when the Issuer is not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act and is not exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act, upon the request of any Holder of Preference Shares, the Issuer shall promptly furnish Rule 144A Information to such Holder, to a prospective purchaser of any Preference Share designated by such Holder or to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for delivery to such Holder or a prospective purchaser designated by such Holder, as the case may be, in order to permit compliance by such Holder with Rule 144A under the Securities Act in connection with the resale of such Preference Share by such Holder.

(e) Transfers of Preference Shares may only be made upon receipt by the Preference Shares Paying Agent of (1) appropriate documentation required under the Code and the applicable Treasury regulations establishing that the beneficial owner of the Preference Shares to be transferred is either not a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-8BEN or an IRS Form W-8IMY with appropriate attachments) or a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-9) and (2) if such beneficial owner of Preference Shares to be transferred is treated as a partnership, S-corporation or grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a written representation from such

beneficial owner that (i) there will not be any interests in such beneficial owner where substantially all of the value of such interest is attributable to the value of the Preference Shares proposed to be transferred to such beneficial owner, together with the value of any Class E Notes, Holding Preference Shares and Preference Shares already held by such beneficial owner and (ii) such beneficial owner is not a part of any arrangement a principal purpose of which is to cause the Class E Notes and Preference Shares to be treated as owned by 100 persons or less within the meaning of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h). In addition, neither the Preference Shares Paying Agent nor the Issuer shall recognize any transfers of Preference Shares, and any such proposed transfer shall be null and void, if (a) the proposed transfer will cause the Issuer to have more than ninety-nine beneficial owners (as determined for purposes of the provisions of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h)) of its Class E Notes and Preference Shares unless it receives the consent of all of the Holders of the Preference Shares and an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that Holders of the Notes will not recognize gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such transfer, and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such transfer had not been made or (b) such transfer was made pursuant to a trade on an Established Securities Market. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall contact the Trustee to determine the number of beneficial owners of the Class E Notes. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall provide, upon request by the Trustee, the number of beneficial owners of the Preference Shares.

Section 6. Mutilated, Defaced, Destroyed, Lost or Stolen Preference Share certificates.

If any mutilated or defaced Preference Share certificate is surrendered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, or if there shall be delivered to the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (i) evidence to their reasonable satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of any Preference Share certificate and (ii) such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them and any agent of any of them harmless that such Preference Share has been acquired by a protected purchaser, then, the Issuer shall execute and, upon Issuer Request, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver, in lieu of any such mutilated, defaced, destroyed, lost or stolen Preference Share, a new Preference Share certificate identical in all respects to the entry in the Share Register with respect to such Preference Shares represented thereby, including the same date of issuance, number of Preference Shares and name of the Holder thereof, dated the date of its execution and bearing a number not contemporaneously Outstanding. Upon the execution and delivery of any new Preference Share certificates under this Section 6, the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent may require the payment by the registered Holder thereof of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation thereto and any other expenses (including the fees and expenses of the Preference Shares Paying Agent, if applicable) connected therewith.

Section 7. Payment of Distributions on Preference Shares.

Pursuant to the Indenture, amounts may be paid by way of dividends to the Preference Shares Paying Agent on behalf of the Issuer on each Payment Date, on the Redemption Date or on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. Unless the Preference Shares Paying Agent has received contrary instructions from the directors of the

Issuer (the “**Directors**”) prior to a Payment Date, the Redemption Date or the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date in accordance with the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, all amounts received as dividends by the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Indenture shall be paid to the Holders of Preference Shares (i) in respect of a Payment Date or the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, *pro rata* on the Preference Shares on such Payment Date or Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date by way of a dividend on the Preference Shares or, if applicable, as redemption price therefor or (ii) in respect of the Redemption Date, in accordance with Section 3(g) of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. If, prior to the date of distribution in accordance with the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Directors instruct the Preference Shares Paying Agent not to distribute all or any portion of monies to be received as dividends by the Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to a Payment Date, the Redemption Date or the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (which instruction shall be made if such distributions would be impermissible under Cayman Islands law, and then only to the extent such distributions would be impermissible), the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall retain such monies in the Preference Shares Distribution Account and shall pay such amounts as soon as practicable after being instructed to do so by the Directors.

In addition to the distributions of dividends, pursuant to Section 2(d) of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, on each Payment Date during the first two years following the Closing Date, Holders of the Class II Preference Shares shall receive, on a *pro rata* basis, the Class II Preference Share Special Payment in an amount equal to the product of (x) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date and (y) the Servicing Fees then due and payable to the Servicer. After the two-year anniversary of the Closing Date, such Class II Preference Share Special Payment shall be distributed *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares in an amount as determined by the Servicer in its sole discretion.

The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall make payments or distributions (other than distributions of Equity Securities) to each registered Holder of the Preference Shares on the relevant Record Date by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a U.S. Dollar account maintained by each such Holder as notified to the Preference Shares Paying Agent or, in the absence of such notification, by U.S. Dollar check mailed to such Holder at its address of record as set forth in the Share Register. As a condition to payment of any amount hereunder without the imposition of U.S. withholding tax, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, may require certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments or distributions in respect of Preference Shares under any present or future law or regulation of the United States or any present or future law or regulation of any political subdivision thereof or taxing authority therein or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under such law or regulation. All payments of distributions by the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be made without charging any commission or fee to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

Section 8. Persons Deemed Owners.

The person listed in the Share Register shall be treated as the owner of Preference Shares related thereto for all purposes, notwithstanding the possession of any certificates for the Preference Shares by another Person.

Section 9. Cancellation.

All Preference Share certificates representing Preference Shares surrendered for payment, registration of transfer, exchange or redemption, or deemed lost or stolen, shall promptly be canceled by the Share Registrar in accordance with its policy and may not be reissued or resold. No Preference Share certificates shall be issued in lieu of or in exchange for any Preference Share certificate cancelled as provided in this Section 9, except as expressly permitted by this Annex A. All cancelled Preference Share certificates held by the Share Registrar shall be placed in the minute books in the corporate records of the Issuer. Any certificates issued in respect of Preference Shares repurchased by the Issuer shall be immediately delivered to the Share Registrar for cancellation.

Section 10. Preference Shares Owned by Non-Permitted Holders; Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investors.

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, any transfer of a Preference Share to a Person that is not both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) either a Qualified Purchaser or an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers (any such Person a “**Non-Permitted Holder**”) shall be null and void *ab initio* and any such purported transfer of which the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have notice may be disregarded by the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent for all purposes.

If any Non-Permitted Holder shall become the owner of any Preference Shares, the Issuer shall, promptly after discovery that such Person is a Non-Permitted Holder by the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (and notice by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Issuer, if the Preference Shares Paying Agent makes the discovery), send notice to such Non-Permitted Holder demanding that such Non-Permitted Holder transfer its Preference Shares to a Person that is eligible to purchase such Preference Shares hereunder within 30 days of the date of such notice. If such Non-Permitted Holder fails to so transfer its Preference Shares, the Issuer shall have the right, without further notice to the Non-Permitted Holder, to sell such Preference Shares to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is eligible to purchase such Preference Shares hereunder on such terms as the Issuer may choose. The Issuer, or the Preference Shares Paying Agent acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting one or more bids from one or more brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Preference Shares, and selling such Preference Shares to the highest such bidder. However, the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent acting on behalf of the Issuer may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Preference Share, the Non-Permitted Holder and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder to the Non-Permitted Holder, by its acceptance of the Preference Shares, agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent to effect such transfers. The proceeds of such sale, net of any commissions, expenses and taxes due in

connection with such sale, shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted Holder. The terms and conditions of any sale under this Section shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer, and neither the Issuer nor the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be liable to any Person having an interest in the Preference Shares sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of such discretion.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, no person shall be permitted to acquire Preference Shares if such acquisition would result in persons who have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owing 25% or more of the aggregate amount of either the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares outstanding immediately after such acquisition (excluding for purposes of this determination the Preference Shares held by any Controlling Person and its affiliates), determined in accordance with the Plan Asset Regulation, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. Furthermore, no person shall be permitted to acquire Preference Shares if such person, or any account on behalf of which such person is acquiring the Preference Shares, is either (1) an ERISA Plan or (2) a Benefit Plan Investor that is not an ERISA Plan, but whose purchase, holding or disposition of a Preference Share or any beneficial interest therein will result in a non-exempt violation of any federal, state, foreign or local law substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code. Any person described in the first sentence of this subsection (b) and any person described in clause (1) or (2) of the preceding sentence is referred to herein as a “**Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor**.” Any transfer of Preference Shares to a Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor shall be null and void *ab initio* and any such purported transfer of which the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have notice may be disregarded by the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent for all purposes.

If any Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor shall become the owner of Preference Shares, the Issuer shall, promptly after discovery that such person is a Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor by the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (and notice by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Issuer, if the Preference Shares Paying Agent makes the discovery), send notice to such Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor demanding that such Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor transfer its Preference Shares to a Person that is eligible to purchase such Preference Shares hereunder within 30 days of the date of such notice. If such Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor fails to so transfer such Preference Shares, the Issuer shall have the right, without further notice to the Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor, to sell such Preference Shares to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is eligible to purchase such Preference Shares hereunder on such terms as the Issuer may choose. The Issuer, or the Preference Shares Paying Agent acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting one or more bids from one or more brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Preference Shares and selling such Preference Shares to the highest such bidder. However, the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent acting on behalf of the Issuer may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Preference Share, the Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder to the Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor, by its acceptance of Preference Shares agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent to effect such transfers. The proceeds of such sale, net of any commissions, expenses and taxes due in connection with such sale shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor. The terms and conditions of any sale under this subsection shall be determined in the sole discretion



of the Issuer, and the Issuer shall not be liable to any Person having an interest in the Preference Shares sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of such discretion.

Any Holder that becomes a Non-Permitted Holder or a Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor or any Holder who has made an ERISA-related representation required by this Annex A that was at the time made, or has subsequently become, false or misleading, must immediately give written notice to the Issuer of such event. Any Holder of Preference Shares that proposes or attempts a transfer that would result in the holding of Preference Shares by a Non-Permitted Holder or that the Holder knows or has reason to know would result in the holding of Preference Shares by a Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor, must give at least 15 days prior written notice to the Issuer of such proposed transfer. In any case, the notifying party must provide the Issuer such information as it may request in order to determine the effect, if any, of such event on the Issuer with respect to its compliance with the Securities Act, the Investment Company Act, ERISA and the Code.

#### Section 11. Return of Undistributed Payments.

Except as otherwise required by applicable law, any monies deposited with the Preference Shares Paying Agent and held in the Preference Shares Distribution Account or otherwise held for any payment with respect to the Preference Shares and remaining unclaimed for two years after such amounts have become payable shall be paid to the Issuer on Issuer Request; and the Holder of such Preference Shares shall thereafter look only to the Issuer for payment of such amounts and all liability of the Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such Money (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Issuer) shall thereupon cease. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, before being required to make any such release of payment, may, but shall not be required to, adopt and employ, at the expense of the Issuer, any reasonable means of notification of such release of payment, including, but not limited to, mailing notice to Holders whose right to or interest in such unclaimed monies is determinable from the records of the Preference Shares Paying Agent or Share Registrar at the last address of record of each such Holder.

#### Section 12. Disclosure of Tax Treatment.

In order to ensure the Holders' and beneficial owners' acquisition of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents are not treated as offered under conditions of confidentiality, the Holders and beneficial owners of the Preference Shares (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) are hereby permitted to disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions contemplated by the Preference Share Documents (including the ownership and disposition of the Preference Shares). For this purpose, the tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction, and the tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction.

Section 13. Certain Tax Matters.

The Issuer and each Holder and each beneficial owner of a Preference Share, by acceptance of its Preference Share, or its interest in a Preference Share, shall be deemed to have agreed to treat, and shall treat, such Preference Share as equity of the Issuer and the Notes as debt of the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes.

The Issuer will make an election to be treated as a partnership, and will take all necessary actions to maintain its status as a partnership (or, if the Issuer is treated as owned by one person, as a disregarded entity of such person) for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

The Issuer shall file, or cause to be filed, any tax return, including information tax returns, required by any governmental authority; provided, however, that the Issuer shall not file, or cause to be filed, any income or franchise tax return in any state of the United States unless it shall have obtained an Opinion of Counsel from a tax counsel of nationally recognized standing experienced in such matters prior to such filing that, under the laws of such jurisdiction, the Issuer is required to file such income or franchise tax return.

Each Holder and beneficial owner of a Preference Share, by acceptance of its Preference Share or its interest in a Preference Share, shall be deemed to understand and acknowledge that failure to provide the Issuer, the Trustee or the Preference Shares Paying Agent with the applicable U.S. federal income tax certifications (generally, a United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 (or successor applicable form) in the case of a person that is a “United States person” within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code or an appropriate United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 (or successor applicable form) in the case of a person that is not a “United States person” within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) may result in U.S. federal withholding from payments in respect of such Preference Share and the Issuer will have the unconditional right to cause such Holder to sell any and all Preference Shares to the Issuer or to a person chosen by the Issuer or the Issuer’s agent on such terms as the Issuer may choose.

The Issuer will provide or cause to be provided to each Holder or beneficial owner of the Preference Shares (or its designee), upon written request therefor, any information that such Holder or beneficial owner reasonably requests to assist such Holder or beneficial owner with regard to its or its equity owners’ U.S. federal income tax filing requirements.

The Issuer will cause the Independent accountants to make a determination as to whether a Holder’s investment in the Preference Shares has become a “reportable transaction” as described in Treasury Regulation Section 1.6011-4 because, after the Closing Date, the Issuer entered into a transaction whereby the Issuer recognized a significant loss or otherwise. If the Holder’s investment in the Preference Shares has become such a “reportable transaction,” then the Issuer shall provide to Holders of Preference Shares any information available to it which may be reasonably necessary for such Holders of Preference Shares to comply with any disclosure requirements under Section 6011 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder with respect to its investment in the Preference Shares.

The Issuer shall not become the owner of any asset if the ownership or disposition of such asset (without regard to the other activities of the Issuer) would cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes, it being understood that the purchase of Collateral Obligations pursuant to the acquisition standards set forth in the Collateral Acquisition Agreement will not be deemed to cause the Issuer to be engaged in a trade or business with the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

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**Exhibit A**

**FORM OF PREFERENCE SHARE CERTIFICATE**

**RED RIVER CLO LTD.**

**PREFERENCE SHARES, PAR VALUE \$0.01 PER SHARE**

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “**SECURITIES ACT**”), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**”). THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER (“**QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER (IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE PREFERENCE SHARES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A) WHO IS ALSO (X) A QUALIFIED PURCHASER WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER) THAT HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996 OR (Y) IS AN ENTITY OWNED EXCLUSIVELY BY QUALIFIED PURCHASERS, (B) IN EACH CASE, IN A NUMBER OF NOT LESS THAN 100 PREFERENCE SHARES FOR THE PURCHASER AND FOR EACH SUCH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS ACTING AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY BE PURCHASED BY OR TRANSFERRED TO A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR CONTROLLING PERSON (EACH AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) ONLY UPON THE SATISFACTION OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID *AB INITIO*, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL

ANY PREFERENCE SHARES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS OR NON-PERMITTED BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS (AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER AND ANY PAYING AGENT, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE SERVICER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY.

EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFER CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

**RED RIVER CLO LTD.**

Number [P] [S] -

CUSIP NO.:

xxxxx Preference Shares

Existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands  
**US\$1,250** divided into 250 Ordinary Shares  
of a nominal par value of **US\$1.00** each  
and 100,000 Preference Shares of a nominal or par value of **US\$0.01** each

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT

**XXX**

is the registered Holder of

**- XXX Preference Shares -**

in the above-named Company subject to the Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association thereof

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED BY the said Company on this [\_\_\_\_]th day of [\_\_\_\_], 2006.  
EXECUTED on behalf of the said Company by:

DIRECTOR\_\_\_\_\_

**Exhibit B**

**FORM OF TRANSFeree CERTIFICATE FOR PREFERENCE SHARES**

Red River CLO Ltd.  
P.O. Box 1234  
Queensgate House  
South Church Street  
George Town  
Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands

U.S. Bank National Association  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent  
One Federal Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Mailcode: EX-MA-FED  
Boston, Massachusetts 02110-2004  
Attention: CDO Unit — Red River CLO Ltd.

Re: Red River CLO Ltd.  
Preference Shares, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share

Dear Sirs:

Reference is hereby made to the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association (the "**Articles**") and certain resolutions adopted at a meeting of the Issuer's Board of Directors on or about August 3, 2006 (the "**Resolutions**"), as reflected in the minutes thereof. Reference is also made to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of August 3, 2006 (the "**Agreement**") by and between Red River CLO Ltd., as Issuer and U.S. Bank National Association, as Preference Shares Paying Agent. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings set forth in the Resolutions, including Annex A thereto ("**Annex A**"), and if not defined in the Resolutions, in the Offering Memorandum.

This certificate relates to \_\_\_\_\_ Preference Shares which are to be transferred to the undersigned transferee (the "**purchaser**") pursuant to Section 5(b) of Annex A.

1. The purchaser hereby represents, warrants and covenants for the benefit of the Issuer that the transfer has been effected in accordance with the transfer restrictions set forth in Section 5(b) of Annex A and the Offering Memorandum, dated July 31, 2006 (the "**Offering Memorandum**") relating to the Preference Shares and that:

(1) The purchaser hereby certifies that it is a Qualified Institutional Buyer as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act and it is either a Qualified Purchaser or an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers for purposes of the Investment Company Act; and

(2) The Purchaser is aware that the sale of the Preference Shares to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements under the Securities



Act and it is acquiring the Preference Shares for its own account or for one or more accounts, each of which is a Qualified Institutional Buyer, and as to each of which the purchaser exercises sole investment discretion, and in a number not less than the minimum lot, in each case for the purchaser and for each such account.

2. The purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in the Preference Shares, and the purchaser, and any accounts for which it is acting, are each able to bear the economic risk of the purchaser's or its investment.

3. The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Preference Shares have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Preference Shares, such Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the legend in respect of such Preference Shares set forth in clause (11) below and the restrictions set forth in the Preference Share Documents. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Issuer, the Servicer or the Placement Agents or any of their respective Affiliates as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Preference Shares.

4. The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Preference Shares or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Preference Share Documents, to which provisions the purchaser hereby agrees it is subject.

5. The purchaser is not purchasing the Preference Shares with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares will be highly illiquid and are not suitable for short-term trading. The Preference Shares are a leveraged investment in the Collateral Obligations that may expose the Preference Shares to disproportionately large changes in value. Payments in respect of the Preference Shares are not guaranteed as they are dependent on the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations. The purchaser understands that it is possible that, due to the structure of the transaction and the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations, dividends or other distributions in respect of the Preference Shares may be reduced or eliminated entirely. Furthermore, the Preference Shares constitute equity in the Issuer, are not secured by the Collateral and will rank behind all creditors (secured and unsecured and whether known or unknown) of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the Holders of the Notes, and any Hedge Counterparties. The Issuer has assets limited to the Collateral for payment of all Classes of the Notes and dividends and other distributions on the Preference Shares, and the Preference Shares bear, *pro rata*, the first risk of loss. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Preference Shares involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of all or a substantial part of its investment. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Issuer, the Preference Shares and the Collateral as it deemed

necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Preference Shares, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Issuer and the Placement Agents.

6. (i) None of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment advisor for the purchaser, (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates other than in the Offering Memorandum and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Placement Agents, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other Person or documentation for the Preference Shares) any assurance, guarantee or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance, result, effect, consequence or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting or otherwise) of the Preference Shares or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the documentation for the Preference Shares) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Placement Agent, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Preference Shares reflect those in the relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) if the purchaser is acting for the account of another investor, the purchaser represents that the investment on behalf of such account is based on a determination that the investment is suitable based on the risks referred to in the Offering Memorandum (including, without limitation, the "Risk Factors" and the "Transfer Restrictions Applicable to the Preference Shares"), given the investment objectives of the account for which the purchase is being made, and that the investment is consistent with any applicable legal requirements; (vii) the purchaser is purchasing the Preference Shares with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it, and each account for which it is acquiring Preference Shares, is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (viii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

7. (A) The purchaser and each account for which the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares is (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, (B) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares for any account, each such account) is acquiring the Preference Shares as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (C) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares for any account, each such account) was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Preference Shares (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (D) to the extent the purchaser or any account for which the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, the purchaser or such account has received the necessary

consent from its beneficial owners, (E) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares for any account, each such account) agrees that it shall not hold such Preference Shares for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Preference Shares or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or other distributions on the Preference Shares (except when each such other Person is a Qualified Purchaser) and (F) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Preference Shares to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph shall be null and void *ab initio*.

8. The purchaser understands that, prior to any sale or other transfer of any interest in a Preference Share, it (or the transferee, as applicable) will be required to provide to the Issuer and Preference Shares Paying Agent a duly executed transfer certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B attached to Annex A and such other certificates and other information as they may reasonably require to confirm that the proposed transfer complies with the restrictions in the legend placed on each certificate representing the Preference Shares and in the Preference Share Documents.

9. The purchaser understands and agrees that (i) no purchase or transfer may be made that would result in any person or entity holding beneficial ownership in any Preference Shares in less than an authorized number as set forth in Annex A and (ii) no purchase or transfer of Preference Shares that would have the effect of requiring either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral to register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act will be permitted.

10. The Purchaser understands and agrees that no purchase or transfer of Specified Securities to a purchaser or transferee that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person (each as defined under United States Department of Labor (“DOL”) Regulations, 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101) will be effective, and the Issuer or the Share Registrar will not recognize or register such purchase or transfer, if such purchase or transfer would result in (i) Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares (determined pursuant to 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 and the Preference Share Documents) or (ii) a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”) or Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “Code”) (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law). The Purchaser further understands and agrees that any transfer in violation of the applicable provisions of the Preference Share Documents will be null and void *ab initio*. For purposes of the 25% determination described in the first sentence of this clause (10), the Preference Shares held by the Trustee, the Servicer, any of their respective affiliates (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) and any other persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding. The Purchaser’s acquisition, holding and disposition of the Specified Securities will not result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law), because such purchase, holding or acquisition either (a) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (b) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all

conditions of which are and will be satisfied throughout its holding of such Specified Securities. The Purchaser and any Person causing it to acquire the Specified Securities agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Placement Agents, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Servicer and their respective affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of a breach of the representations set forth in this clause (10) and clause (12) below. If the Purchaser is an insurance company investing through its general account as defined in DOL Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption (“PTCE”) 95-60, for so long as it holds the Specified Securities, such Purchaser shall meet the requirements pertaining to the percentage of the assets of such insurance company general account that can be treated as plan assets for purposes of calculating the 25% threshold under the significant participation test of the Plan Asset Regulation (29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)).

11. The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares (a) will be represented by one or more Preference Share certificates which will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Issuer determines otherwise in accordance with applicable law, and (b) may only be resold, pledged or transferred to Qualified Institutional Buyers who are also (x) Qualified Purchasers or (y) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers. The purchaser understands that before the Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred, the transferee will be required to provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Issuer with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “**SECURITIES ACT**”), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**”). THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER (“**QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER (IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE PREFERENCE SHARES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A) WHO IS ALSO (X) A QUALIFIED PURCHASER (“**QUALIFIED PURCHASER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION (3)(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER) THAT HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996 OR (Y) IS AN ENTITY OWNED EXCLUSIVELY BY QUALIFIED PURCHASERS, (B) IN EACH CASE, IN A NUMBER OF NOT LESS THAN 100 PREFERENCE SHARES FOR THE PURCHASER AND FOR EACH SUCH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS ACTING AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES

REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY BE PURCHASED BY OR TRANSFERRED TO A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR CONTROLLING PERSON (EACH AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) ONLY UPON THE SATISFACTION OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID *AB INITIO*, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL ANY PREFERENCE SHARES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS OR NON-PERMITTED BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS (AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER AND ANY PAYING AGENT, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE SERVICER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY.

EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFER CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

12. The funds that the purchaser is using or will use to purchase the Preference Shares are assets of a person who is or at any time while the Preference Shares are held by the purchaser will be (A) an "employee benefit plan" as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA, whether or not such plan is subject to Title I of ERISA, including, without limitation, foreign, church and governmental plans, (B) a "plan" described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code or (C) an entity whose underlying assets would be deemed to include "plan assets" of either of the foregoing by reason of the investment by an employee benefit plan or other plan in the entity within the meaning of 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 or otherwise (the plans and persons described in clauses (A), (B) and (C) being referred to as "**Benefit Plan Investors**"). For purposes of making this determination, foreign benefit plans, government or church plans, Keoghs and individual retirement accounts ("**IRAs**") are typically considered Benefit Plan Investors.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ (Please check either yes or no).

If yes, such funds are assets of an employee benefit plan subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA or a plan described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code and subject to Section 4975 of the Code, or a foreign plan, "governmental plan," or "church plan" subject to foreign, federal, state or local laws, rules or regulations that are substantially similar to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ (Please check either yes or no).

The purchaser is not the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or any other person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer, or any "affiliate" (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3 101(f)(3)) of any such person (any such person, a "Controlling Person"). **Please place a check in the following space if the foregoing statement is NOT accurate:** \_\_\_\_\_.

If the purchaser is an insurance company investing through its general account as defined in PTCE 95-60, for so long as it holds the Preference Shares, no more than \_\_\_\_% of the assets of such insurance company general account could be treated, for so long as it holds the Preference Shares, as plan assets for purposes of calculating the 25% threshold under the significant participation test (29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)). **(Please provide percentage, if applicable).**

The purchaser understands and acknowledges that the Share Registrar will not register any purchase or transfer of Preference Shares to a proposed purchaser or transferee that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person if, after giving effect to such proposed transfer, persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors would own 25% or more of the outstanding amount of the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares. For purposes of the 25% determination described in clause (i) of the preceding sentence, Preference Shares held by the Trustee, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, any of their respective affiliates (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3 101(f)(3)) and any other persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding.

The purchaser's acquisition, holding and disposition of the Preference Shares will not result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law), unless an exemption is available, all conditions of which have been satisfied.

The purchaser further acknowledges and agrees that the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement will entitle the Issuer to require the purchaser to dispose of the Preference Shares as soon as practicable following notification by the Issuer of any change in the information supplied in this clause (12).

The purchaser understands that the representations made in this clause (12) will be deemed made on each day from the date hereof through and including the date on which the purchaser disposes of its interests in the Preference Shares.

The purchaser agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Placement Agent and the Servicer and their respective affiliates from any cost, damage, or loss incurred by them as a result of a breach of the representation in this clause (12).

The purchaser agrees that it will not sell, pledge or otherwise transfer any Preference Shares in violation of the foregoing.

13. The purchaser will provide notice to each Person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Preference Shares of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Preference Share Documents, including the exhibits referenced in the Preference Share Documents.

14. The purchaser understands that the Preference Share Documents permit the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Preference Shares who is a U.S. Person and who is determined not to have been both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) either (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers at the time of acquisition of the Preference Shares to sell such Preference Shares, or to sell such Preference Shares on behalf of such purchaser, to a Person that is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) either (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act.

15. The beneficial owner, if not a U.S. Person, either (i) is not a bank (within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code) or (ii) is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States. The beneficial owner is not purchasing the Preference Shares in order to reduce its United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan.

16. The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Preference Shares. The purchaser further acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Securities in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the Offering Memorandum relating to the Preference Shares shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Preference Shares in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

17. The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Preference Shares, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase Preference Shares from any Non-

Consenting Holder thereof (or, with respect to any Preference Shares held by Investors Corp., to purchase the Holding Preference Shares from any Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder thereof), in each case, at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder or Non-Consenting Holding Preference Share Holder will be required to sell such Preference Shares or Holding Preference Shares, as the case may be, to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

18. The purchaser understands that the scheduled redemption date of the Preference Shares is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of the Preference Shares at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

19. The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Preference Shares by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

20. The beneficial owner will agree to treat, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, (a) the Preference Shares as equity of the Issuer, (b) the Notes as indebtedness of the Issuer and (c) the Issuer as a partnership (except to the extent the Issuer can no longer be treated as a partnership as a result of any election by the Issuer, changes in ownership of the Issuer or changes in the manner in which the equity of the Issuer is traded). The beneficial owner will be deemed to have acknowledged that the Issuer is not authorized to engage in activities that could cause it to constitute a finance or lending business for U.S. federal income tax purposes and agrees that it will report its investment in Preference Shares consistent with such limitation.

21. To the extent required, as determined by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Preference Shares to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the U.S. Patriot Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Preference Share to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

22. The purchaser agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

23. The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

24. The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer has the right pursuant to Section 6 of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement to issue additional Preference Shares.

25. The purchaser understands that, to the extent required, as determined by the Co-Issuers, the Co-Issuers may amend the Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer only, the Preference Share Documents, without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the



Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders of the Securities that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7 if, at any time following the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers elect to rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7).

26. The purchaser understands that the Issuer may enter into amendments or modifications to the Servicing Agreement without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities.

27. The purchaser agrees to provide (and agrees it will cause any subsequent transferee of its Preference Shares to provide) the Share Registrar (1) appropriate documentation required under the Code and the applicable Treasury regulations establishing that the beneficial owner of the Preference Shares to be transferred is either a non-U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-8BEN or an IRS Form W-8IMY with appropriate attachments) or a U.S. person (e.g., an IRS Form W-9) and (2) if such beneficial owner is treated as a partnership, S-corporation or grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a written representation from such beneficial owner that (i) there will not be any interests in such beneficial owner where substantially all of the value of such interest is attributable to the value of the Preference Shares proposed to be transferred to such beneficial owner, together with the value of any Class E Notes, Holding Preference Shares and Preference Shares already held by such beneficial owner and (ii) such beneficial owner is not a part of any arrangement a principal purpose of which is to cause the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares to be treated as owned by 100 persons or less within the meaning of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h). The purchaser agrees to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form and other certificate in each of the following circumstances: (i) no later than 120 days prior to the expiration (if applicable) of the last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate, (ii) upon any change of circumstance that would cause that the last previously provided U.S. tax form or certificate to be incorrect and (iii) upon a request by the Issuer or the Share Registrar. The purchaser agrees that if it fails to provide a properly completed, newly executed U.S. tax form or other certificate no later than 120 days prior to the expiration of the last previously provided U.S. tax form or, if earlier, within the time specified in any request by the Issuer or the Share Registrar (which shall not be less than 30 days), the Issuer will have the unconditional right to cause such purchaser to sell any and all Preference Shares to the Issuer or to a person chosen by the Issuer or the Issuer’s agent on such terms as the Issuer may choose. For this purpose, an IRS Form W-8IMY (or any successor form thereto) will be deemed to expire upon the expiration of any withholding statement or U.S. tax forms associated with such IRS Form W-8IMY.

28. The purchaser understands and agrees that the Issuer will not recognize any transfers of Preference Shares if the proposed transfer will cause the Issuer to have either (a) exactly one beneficial owner or (b) more than ninety-nine beneficial owners (as determined for purposes of the provisions of Treasury Regulation section 1.7704-1(h)) of its Class E Notes and its Preference Shares unless, in the case of clause (b), it receives the consent of all of the Holders of the Preference Shares and an opinion of counsel to the effect that Holders of the Notes will not recognize gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such transfer, and will

be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such transfer had not been made.

29. The purchaser represents that it has not acquired the Preference Shares pursuant to a trade on an “established securities market” and agrees that it will not trade any Preference Shares on an “established securities market.” For this purpose, the term “established securities market” includes any national securities exchange registered under Section 6 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or exempted from registration because of the limited volume of transaction; any foreign securities exchange that, under the laws of the jurisdiction where it is organized, satisfies regulatory requirements that are analogous to the regulatory requirements imposed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; any regional or local exchange; and any interdealer quotation system that regularly disseminates firm buy or sell quotations by identified brokers or dealers, by electronic means or otherwise. The purchaser understands and agrees that in the event that the purchaser acquires or trades the Preference Shares on an established securities market, as described above, the Issuer will not recognize any transfers of Preference Shares made pursuant to such acquisition or trade.

30. The purchaser is \_\_\_ / is not \_\_\_ (check one) Highland Financial Partners, L.P. or any of its subsidiaries.

31. The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer, the Servicer, the Placement Agents and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Preference Shares or any beneficial interest therein are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Issuer, the Servicer and the Placement Agents. If the purchaser is acquiring any Preference Shares or any beneficial interest therein as a fiduciary or agent for one or more institutional accounts, it represents that it has sole investment discretion with respect to each such account and it has full power to make the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements on behalf of such account.

THIS LETTER SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the undersigned has executed this Preference Share Transferee Certificate on the date set forth below.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 200\_\_

**Number of Preference Shares subscribed for (at a purchase price of U.S.\$1,000 per share):**

**Aggregate purchase price of the Preference Shares subscribed for:**

U.S.\$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Purchaser

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Authorized Signatory

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Authorized Signatory

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Title of Authorized Signatory

**Please remember to give the Preference Shares Paying Agent the proper U.S. federal income tax certifications or else the Preference Shares Paying Agent may have to withhold part of any payment due and payable to you.**

(1) the name and address of the registered Holder of the Preference Shares is:

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- (2) the wire/payment instructions for the registered Holder of the Preference Shares are:

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## **EXHIBIT RR**

## EXECUTION COPY

## SERVICING AGREEMENT

This Servicing Agreement, dated as of August 3, 2006 is entered into by and among RED RIVER CLO LTD., an exempted company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands, with its registered office located at the offices of Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited, P.O. Box 1234, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands (together with successors and assigns permitted hereunder, the "Issuer"), and HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, with its principal offices located at Two Galleria Tower, 13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300, Dallas, Texas 75240, as servicer ("Highland" or, in such capacity, the "Servicer").

## WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Issuer and RED RIVER CLO CORP. (the "Co-Issuer" and together with the Issuer, the "Co-Issuers") intend to issue U.S.\$657,000,000 of their Class A Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2018 (the "Class A Notes"), U.S.\$45,000,000 of their Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2018 (the "Class B Notes"), U.S.\$40,500,000 of their Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due 2018 (the "Class C Notes"), and U.S.\$45,000,000 of their Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due 2018 (the "Class D Notes"), and the Issuer will individually issue U.S.\$31,500,000 of its Class E Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due 2018 (the "Class E Notes" and together with the Class A Notes, Class B Notes, Class C Notes and Class D Notes, the "Notes") pursuant to the Indenture dated as of August 3, 2006 (the "Indenture"), among the Co Issuers and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (the "Trustee") and 36,000 Class I Preference Shares, \$0.01 par value (the "Class I Preference Shares") and 45,000 Class II Preference Shares, \$0.01 par value (the "Class II Preference Shares" and, together with the Class I Preference Shares, the "Preference Shares" and, together with the Notes, the "Securities") pursuant to the Preference Share Documents;

WHEREAS, the Issuer intends to pledge certain Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments and Cash (all as defined in the Indenture) and certain other assets (all as set forth in the Indenture) (collectively, the "Collateral") to the Trustee as security for the Notes;

WHEREAS, the Issuer wishes to enter into this Servicing Agreement, pursuant to which the Servicer agrees to perform, on behalf of the Issuer, certain duties with respect to the Collateral in the manner and on the terms set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the Servicer has the capacity to provide the services required hereby and is prepared to perform such services upon the terms and conditions set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements herein set forth, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Definitions.

Terms used herein and not defined below shall have the meanings set forth in the Indenture.

"Advisers Act" shall mean the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended.

“Agreement” shall mean this Servicing Agreement, as amended from time to time.

“Governing Instruments” shall mean the memorandum, articles or certificate of incorporation or association and by-laws, if applicable, in the case of a corporation; the certificate of formation, if applicable, or the partnership agreement, in the case of a partnership; or the certificate of formation, if applicable, or the limited liability company agreement, in the case of a limited liability company.

“HFP” shall mean collectively, Highland Financial Partners, L.P. and any subsidiary thereof.

“Independent Advisor” shall have the meaning specified in Section IV.B. of the Collateral Acquisition Agreement.

“Offering Memorandum” shall mean the Offering Memorandum of the Issuer dated July 31, 2006 prepared in connection with the offering of the Securities.

“Servicer Breaches” shall have the meaning specified in Section 10(a).

“Special Procedures Obligation” shall have the meaning specified in Section IV.A. of the Collateral Acquisition Agreement.

2. General Duties of the Servicer.

(a) The Servicer shall provide services to the Issuer as follows:

(i) Subject to and in accordance with the terms the Indenture and this Agreement, the Servicer shall supervise and direct the administration, acquisition and disposition of the Collateral, and shall perform on behalf of the Issuer those duties and obligations of the Servicer required by the Indenture and this Agreement, and including the furnishing of orders, requests and officer’s certificates, and such certifications as are required of the Servicer under the Indenture with respect to permitted purchases and sales of the Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments and other assets, and other matters, and, to the extent necessary or appropriate to perform such duties, the Servicer shall have the power to execute and deliver all necessary and appropriate documents and instruments on behalf of the Issuer with respect thereto. The Servicer shall, subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the Indenture, perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder with reasonable care and in good faith, using a degree of skill and attention no less than that which the Servicer exercises with respect to comparable assets that it services or manages for others having similar objectives and restrictions, and in a manner consistent with practices and procedures followed by institutional servicers or managers of national standing relating to assets of the nature and character of the Collateral for clients having similar objectives and restrictions, except as expressly provided otherwise in this Agreement and/or the Indenture. To the extent not inconsistent with the foregoing, the Servicer shall follow its customary standards, policies and procedures in performing its duties under the Indenture and hereunder. The Servicer shall comply with all terms and conditions of the Indenture affecting the duties and functions to be performed hereunder. The Servicer shall not be bound to follow any amendment to the Indenture until it has received written notice thereof and until it has received a copy of the amendment from the Issuer or the Trustee; provided, however, that the Servicer shall not be bound by any amendment to the Indenture that affects the rights,

powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer unless the Servicer shall have consented thereto in writing. The Issuer agrees that it shall not permit any amendment to the Indenture that (x) affects the rights, powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer or (y) affects the amount or priority of any fees payable to the Servicer to become effective unless the Servicer has been given prior written notice of such amendment and consented thereto in writing;

(ii) the Servicer shall select any Collateral which shall be acquired by the Issuer pursuant to the Indenture in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria;

(iii) the Servicer shall monitor the Collateral on an ongoing basis and provide to the Issuer all reports, certificates, schedules and other data with respect to the Collateral which the Issuer is required to prepare and deliver under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement, in the form and containing all information required thereby and in reasonable time for the Issuer to review such required reports, certificates, schedules and data and to deliver them to the parties entitled thereto under the Indenture; the Servicer shall undertake to determine to the extent reasonably practicable whether a Collateral Obligation has become a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; and the Servicer shall monitor any Hedge Agreements and direct the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer in respect of all actions to be taken thereunder by the Issuer;

(iv) the Servicer, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture may, at any time permitted under the Indenture, and shall, when required by the Indenture, direct the Trustee to (x) dispose of a Collateral Obligation, Equity Security or Eligible Investment or other securities received in respect thereof in the open market or otherwise, (y) acquire, as security for the Notes in substitution for or in addition to any one or more Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments included in the Collateral, one or more substitute Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments, or (z) direct the Trustee to take the following actions with respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment:

(1) retain such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment;  
or

(2) if applicable, tender such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment pursuant to an Offer; or

(3) if applicable, consent to any proposed amendment, modification or waiver pursuant to an Offer; or

(4) retain or dispose of any securities or other property (if other than Cash) received pursuant to an Offer; or

(5) waive any default with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or

(6) vote to accelerate the maturity of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or

(7) exercise any other rights or remedies with respect to such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment as provided in the related



Underlying Instruments, including in connection with any workout situations, or take any other action consistent with the terms of the Indenture which is in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities;

(v) subject to and in accordance with the terms of the Indenture and this Agreement, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall determine whether to enter into any additional hedging arrangements, increase or reduce the notional amounts of existing Hedge Agreements or terminate existing Hedge Agreements, and the Servicer shall use its reasonable efforts to cause the Issuer, promptly following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) and to the extent possible through application of funds received as a result of the early termination (including the proceeds of the liquidation of any collateral pledged by the hedge counterparty), to enter into a replacement Hedge Agreement;

(vi) the Servicer shall on or prior to any day which is a Redemption Date, direct the Trustee to enter into contracts to dispose of the Collateral Obligations and any other Collateral pursuant to the Indenture and otherwise comply with all redemption procedures and certification requirements in the Indenture in order to allow the Trustee to effect such redemption; and

(vii) if the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, desires to make distributions of Eligible Equity Securities on any Payment Date pursuant to Section 2(e) of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Servicer shall so notify the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent and provide the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of the Preference Shares with respect to the applicable Record Date) details of such Eligible Equity Securities in accordance with the procedure set forth in Section 3(b) of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

(b) In performing its duties hereunder, the Servicer shall seek to preserve the value of the Collateral for the benefit of the Holders of the Securities taking into account the collateral criteria and limitations set forth herein and in the Indenture and the Servicer shall use reasonable efforts to select and service the Collateral in such a way that will permit a timely performance of all payment obligations by the Issuer under the Indenture; provided, that the Servicer shall not be responsible if such objectives are not achieved so long as the Servicer performs its duties under this Agreement in the manner provided for herein, and provided, further, that there shall be no recourse to the Servicer with respect to the Notes or the Preference Shares. The Servicer and the Issuer shall take such other action, and furnish such certificates, opinions and other documents, as may be reasonably requested by the other party hereto in order to effectuate the purposes of this Agreement and to facilitate compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the terms of this Agreement.

(c) The Servicer hereby agrees to the following:

(i) The Servicer agrees not to institute against, or join any other Person in instituting against, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation proceedings or other proceedings under federal or state bankruptcy or similar laws of any jurisdiction until at least one year and one day (or if longer, any applicable preference period plus one day) after the payment in full of all Notes issued under the Indenture; provided, however, that nothing in this clause (i) shall preclude, or be deemed to estop, the Servicer (A) from taking any action prior to the expiration of such period in (x) any case or proceeding voluntarily

filed or commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, or (y) any involuntary insolvency proceeding filed or commenced against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, by a Person other than the Servicer, or (B) from commencing against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any properties of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any legal action which is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium, liquidation or similar proceeding.

(ii) The Servicer shall cause each sale or purchase of any Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investment to be conducted on an arm's-length basis.

(iii) The Servicer shall notify the Trustee, the Share Registrar and the Holding Share Registrar of any Affiliate of the Servicer that owns the Securities or the Holding Preference Shares.

(iv) The Servicer and/or its Affiliates will purchase Class E Notes having an aggregate principal amount equal to U.S.\$31,500,000 and the Servicer and/or its Affiliates (other than HFP) will purchase Holding Preferences Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$21,000,000.

(d) The Servicer shall not act for the Issuer in any capacity except as provided in this Section 2. In providing services hereunder, the Servicer may employ third parties, including its Affiliates, to render advice (including advice with respect to the servicing of the Collateral) and assistance; provided, however, that the Servicer shall not be relieved of any of its duties or liabilities hereunder regardless of the performance of any services by third parties. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Servicer shall not be required to take any action required of it pursuant to this Agreement or the Indenture if such action would constitute a violation of any law.

(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement or the Indenture, (i) any granted signatory powers or authority granted to the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer with respect to the Special Procedures Obligations shall be conditioned upon the prior written approval of the Independent Advisor and (ii) neither the Servicer nor any Affiliate of the Servicer shall have any authority to enter into agreements, or take any action, on behalf of the Issuer with respect to the Special Procedures Obligations without the prior written approval of the Independent Advisor.

### 3. Brokerage.

The Servicer shall seek to obtain the best prices and execution for all orders placed with respect to the Collateral, considering all reasonable circumstances. Subject to the objective of obtaining best prices and execution, the Servicer may take into consideration research and other brokerage services furnished to the Servicer or its Affiliates by brokers and dealers which are not Affiliates of the Servicer. Such services may be used by the Servicer or its Affiliates in connection with its other servicing or advisory activities or operations. The Servicer may aggregate sales and purchase orders of securities placed with respect to the Collateral with similar orders being made simultaneously for other accounts serviced or managed by Servicer or with accounts of the Affiliates of the Servicer, if in the Servicer's reasonable judgment such aggregation shall result in an overall economic benefit to the Issuer, taking into consideration the advantageous selling or purchase price, brokerage commission and other expenses. In the event that a sale or purchase of a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment (in accordance with the terms of the Indenture) occurs as part of any aggregate sales or purchase orders, the objective of the Servicer (and any of its Affiliates involved in such transactions) shall be to allocate the executions among the accounts in an equitable manner and consistent with its obligations hereunder and under applicable law.

In addition to the foregoing and subject to the provisions of Section 2 and the limitations of Section 5, the objective of obtaining best prices and execution and to the extent permitted by applicable law, the Servicer may, on behalf of the Issuer, direct the Trustee to acquire any and all of the Eligible Investments or other Collateral from, or sell Collateral Obligations or other Collateral to, the Placement Agents, the Trustee or any of their respective Affiliates, or any other firm.

### 4. Additional Activities of the Servicer.

Nothing herein shall prevent the Servicer or any of its Affiliates from engaging in other businesses, or from rendering services of any kind to the Trustee, the Holders of the Securities, or any other Person or entity to the extent permitted by applicable law. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, the Servicer and partners, directors, officers, employees and agents of the Servicer or its Affiliates may, among other things, and subject to any limits specified in the Indenture:

(a) serve as directors (whether supervisory or managing), officers, partners, employees, agents, nominees or signatories for any issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates, to the extent permitted by their Governing Instruments, as from time to time amended, or by any resolutions duly adopted by the Issuer, its Affiliates or any issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates, pursuant to their respective Governing Instruments; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on any item of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Collateral Quality Test; provided, further, that nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to limit the duties of the Servicer set forth in Section 2 hereof;

(b) receive fees for services of any nature rendered to the issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on any item of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Collateral Quality Test; and provided, further that if any portion of such services are related to the purchase by the Issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral, the portion of such fees relating to such obligations shall be applied to the purchase price of such obligations; and

(c) be a secured or unsecured creditor of, or hold an equity interest in, the Issuer, its Affiliates or any issuer of any obligation included in the Collateral; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on any item of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Collateral Quality Test; provided, further, that nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to limit the duties of the Servicer set forth in Section 2 hereof.

It is understood that the Servicer and any of its Affiliates may engage in any other business and furnish servicing, investment management and advisory services to others, including Persons which may have policies similar to those followed by the Servicer with respect to the Collateral and which may own securities of the same class, or which are the same type, as the Collateral Obligations or other securities of the issuers of Collateral Obligations. The Servicer shall be free, in its sole discretion, to make recommendations to others, or effect transactions on behalf of itself or for others, which may be the same as or different from those effected with respect to the Collateral.

Unless the Servicer determines in its reasonable judgment that such purchase or sale is appropriate, the Servicer may refrain from directing the purchase or sale hereunder of securities issued by (i) Persons of which the Servicer, its Affiliates or any of its or their officers, directors or employees are directors or officers, (ii) Persons for which the Servicer or its Affiliate act as financial adviser or underwriter or (iii) Persons about which the Servicer or any of its Affiliates have information which the Servicer deems confidential or non-public or otherwise might prohibit it from trading such securities in accordance with applicable law. The Servicer shall not be obligated to pursue any particular strategy or opportunity with respect to the Collateral.

#### 5. Conflicts of Interest.

(a) The Servicer shall not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Servicer such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Servicer, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the Advisers Act.

(b) The Servicer shall not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Servicer, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Advisers Act.

(c) The Servicer shall not undertake any transaction described in this Section 5 unless such transaction is exempt from the prohibited transaction rules of ERISA and the Code. In addition, after the initial distribution of the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares, neither the Servicer nor any of its affiliates (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) shall acquire any Class E Notes or Preference Shares (including pursuant to the Extension Procedure or the Amendment Buy-Out Option) unless such acquisition would not, as determined by the Trustee in reliance on representations made in the applicable transfer certificates with respect thereto, result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of any of the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such acquisition

(determined in accordance with the Plan Asset Regulation, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents). The Class E Notes and the Preference Shares held as principal by the Servicer or any of its affiliates shall be disregarded and shall not be treated as outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% limitation to the extent that such person has represented that it is not a Benefit Plan Investor.

6. Records; Confidentiality.

The Servicer shall maintain appropriate books of account and records relating to services performed hereunder, and such books of account and records shall be accessible for inspection by a representative of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Holders of the Securities and the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to the Indenture at a mutually agreed time during normal business hours and upon not less than three Business Days' prior notice. At no time shall the Servicer make a public announcement concerning the issuance of the Notes or the Preference Shares, the Servicer's role hereunder or any other aspect of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the Indenture. The Servicer shall keep confidential any and all information obtained in connection with the services rendered hereunder and shall not disclose any such information to non-affiliated third parties except (i) with the prior written consent of the Issuer, (ii) such information as either Rating Agency shall reasonably request in connection with the rating of any class of Securities, (iii) as required by law, regulation, court order or the rules or regulations of any self regulating organization, body or official having jurisdiction over the Servicer, (iv) to its professional advisers, (v) such information as shall have been publicly disclosed other than in violation of this Agreement, or (vi) such information that was or is obtained by the Servicer on a non-confidential basis, provided, that the Servicer does not know or have reason to know of any breach by such source of any confidentiality obligations with respect thereto. For purposes of this Section 6, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator and the Holders of the Securities shall in no event be considered "non-affiliated third parties."

Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement or the Indenture to the contrary, the Servicer, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Holders of the Securities (and the beneficial owners thereof) (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) may disclose to any and all Persons, without limitation of any kind, the U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to them relating to such U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure, as such terms are defined under U.S. federal, state or local tax law.

7. Obligations of Servicer.

Unless otherwise specifically required by any provision of the Indenture or this Agreement or by applicable law, the Servicer shall use its best reasonable efforts to ensure that no action is taken by it, and shall not intentionally or with reckless disregard take any action, which would (a) materially adversely affect the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for purposes of Cayman Islands law, United States federal or state law or any other law known to the Servicer to be applicable to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, (b) not be permitted under the Issuer's or the Co-Issuer's respective governing instruments, (c) violate any law, rule or regulation of any governmental body or agency having jurisdiction over the Issuer or the Co-Issuer including, without limitation, any Cayman Islands or United States federal, state or other applicable securities law the violation of which has or could reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any of the Collateral, (d) require registration of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the pool of Collateral as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act, (e) cause the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to violate the terms of the Indenture, including, without limitation, any representations made by the Issuer or Co-Issuer therein, or any other agreement contemplated by the Indenture or (f) not be permitted by the Collateral Acquisition Agreement and would

subject the Issuer to U.S. federal or state income or franchise taxation or cause the Issuer to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The Servicer covenants that it shall comply in all material respects with all laws and regulations applicable to it in connection with the performance of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, the Servicer shall not be required to take any action under this Agreement or the Indenture if such action would violate any applicable law, rule, regulation or court order.

8. Compensation.

(a) The Issuer shall pay to the Servicer, for services rendered and performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Servicing Fee, which shall be payable in such amounts and at such times as set forth in the Indenture. The provisions of the Indenture which relate to the amount and payment of the Servicing Fee shall not be amended without the written consent of the Servicer. If on any Payment Date there are insufficient funds to pay the Servicing Fee (and/or any other amounts due and payable to the Servicer) in full, the amount not so paid shall be deferred and shall be payable with accrued interest on such later Payment Date on which funds are available therefor as provided in the Indenture.

The Servicer hereby agrees to waive the Class II Preference Share Portion of the Servicing Fees deposited by the Trustee into the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account pursuant to the Indenture, which would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as Servicing Fees, on each Payment Date during the first two years following the Closing Date. After the two-year anniversary of the Closing Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive the Class II Preference Share Portion of its Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Issuer as Class II Preference Share Special Payments pursuant to the Indenture. For purposes of any calculation under this Agreement and the Indenture, the Servicer shall be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

In addition, notwithstanding anything set out above, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion: (i) waive all or any portion of the Servicing Fee, any funds representing the waived Servicing Fees to be retained in the Collection Account for distribution as either Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds (as determined by the Servicer) pursuant to the Priority of Payments; or (ii) defer all or any portion of the Servicing Fee, any funds representing the deferred Servicing Fees to be retained in the Collection Account, when they will become payable in the same manner and priority as their original characterization would have required unless deferred again.

(b) The Servicer shall be responsible for the ordinary expenses incurred in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement and the Indenture; provided, however, that any extraordinary expenses actually incurred by the Servicer in the performance of such obligations (including, but not limited to, any fees, expenses or other amounts payable to the Rating Agencies, the Collateral Administrator, the Trustee and the accountants appointed by the Issuer, the reasonable expenses incurred by the Servicer to employ outside lawyers or consultants reasonably necessary in connection with the evaluation, transfer or restructuring of any Collateral Obligations or other unusual matters arising in the performance of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture, any reasonable expenses incurred by the Servicer in obtaining advice from outside counsel with respect to its obligations under this Agreement, brokerage commissions, transfer fees, registration costs, taxes and other similar costs and transaction related expenses and fees arising out of transactions effected for the Issuer's account and the portion allocated to the Issuer of any other fees and expenses that the Servicer customarily allocates among all of the funds or portfolios that it services or manages) shall be reimbursed by the

Issuer to the extent funds are available therefor in accordance with and subject to the priority of payments and the other limitations contained in the Indenture.

(c) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 12, Section 14 or otherwise, the fees payable to the Servicer shall be prorated for any partial periods between Payment Dates during which this Agreement was in effect and shall be due and payable on the first Payment Date following the date of such termination and on any subsequent Payment Dates to the extent remaining unpaid and in accordance with, and to the extent provided in, the Indenture.

9. Benefit of the Agreement.

The Servicer agrees that its obligations hereunder shall be enforceable at the instance of the Issuer, the Trustee, on behalf of the Noteholders, or the requisite percentage of Noteholders or the Holders of the Preference Shares, as applicable, as provided in the Indenture or the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement, as applicable.

10. Limits of Servicer Responsibility; Indemnification.

(a) The Servicer assumes no responsibility under this Agreement other than to render the services called for hereunder and under the terms of the Indenture made applicable to it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement in good faith and, subject to the standard of liability described in the next sentence, shall not be responsible for any action of the Issuer or the Trustee in following or declining to follow any advice, recommendation or direction of the Servicer. The Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, and its Affiliates and their directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, shall not be liable to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person, for any losses, claims, damages, judgments, assessments, costs or other liabilities (collectively, "Liabilities") incurred by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person, that arise out of or in connection with the performance by the Servicer of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture, except by reason of (i) acts or omissions constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, gross negligence or breach of fiduciary duty in the performance, or reckless disregard, of the obligations of the Servicer hereunder and under the Indenture or (ii) with respect to any information included in the Offering Memorandum in the sections entitled "The Servicer" and "Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer" that contain any untrue statement of material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) collectively being the "Servicer Breaches"). For the avoidance of doubt, the Servicer shall have no duty to independently investigate any laws not otherwise known to it in connection with its obligations under this Agreement and the Indenture. The Servicer shall be liable for any non-waivable breaches of applicable securities laws. The Servicer shall be deemed to have satisfied the requirements of the Indenture and this Agreement relating to not causing the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes (including as those requirements relate to the acquisition (including manner of acquisition), ownership, enforcement, and disposition of Collateral) to the extent the Servicer (i) complies with the requirements set forth in the Collateral Acquisition Agreement and (ii) the Servicer does not have actual knowledge that its actions with respect to a Collateral Obligation or an Eligible Investment would violate Section 7(f).

(b) The Issuer shall indemnify and hold harmless (the Issuer in such case, the "Indemnifying Party") the Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees (such parties collectively in such case, the "Indemnified Parties") from and against any and all

Liabilities, and shall reimburse each such Indemnified Party for all reasonable fees and expenses (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) (collectively, the “Expenses”) as such Expenses are incurred in investigating, preparing, pursuing or defending any claim, action, proceeding or investigation with respect to any pending or threatened litigation (collectively, the “Actions”), caused by, or arising out of or in connection with, the issuance of the Securities, the transactions contemplated by the Offering Memorandum, the Indenture or this Agreement, and/or any action taken by, or any failure to act by, such Indemnified Party; provided, however, that no Indemnified Party shall be indemnified for any Liabilities or Expenses it incurs as a result of any acts or omissions by any Indemnified Party constituting Servicer Breaches. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the obligations of the Issuer under this Section 10 shall be payable solely out of the Collateral in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Indenture and shall survive termination of this Agreement.

(c) With respect to any claim made or threatened against an Indemnified Party, or compulsory process or request or other notice of any loss, claim, damage or liability served upon an Indemnified Party, for which such Indemnified Party is or may be entitled to indemnification under this Section 10, such Indemnified Party shall (or with respect to Indemnified Parties that are directors, officers, stockholders, agents or employees of the Servicer, the Servicer shall cause such Indemnified Party to):

(i) give written notice to the Indemnifying Party of such claim within ten (10) days after such Indemnified Party’s receipt of actual notice that such claim is made or threatened, which notice to the Indemnifying Party shall specify in reasonable detail the nature of the claim and the amount (or an estimate of the amount) of the claim; provided, however, that the failure of any Indemnified Party to provide such notice to the Indemnifying Party shall not relieve the Indemnifying Party of its obligations under this Section 10 unless the Indemnifying Party is materially prejudiced or otherwise forfeits rights or defenses by reason of such failure;

(ii) at the Indemnifying Party’s expense, provide the Indemnifying Party such information and cooperation with respect to such claim as the Indemnifying Party may reasonably require, including, but not limited to, making appropriate personnel available to the Indemnifying Party at such reasonable times as the Indemnifying Party may request;

(iii) at the Indemnifying Party’s expense, cooperate and take all such steps as the Indemnifying Party may reasonably request to preserve and protect any defense to such claim;

(iv) in the event suit is brought with respect to such claim, upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Indemnifying Party the right, which the Indemnifying Party may exercise in its sole discretion and at its expense, to participate in the investigation, defense and settlement of such claim;

(v) neither incur any material expense to defend against nor release or settle any such claim or make any admission with respect thereto (other than routine or incontestable admissions or factual admissions the failure to make which would expose such Indemnified Party to unindemnified liability) nor permit a default or consent to the entry of any judgment in respect thereof, in each case without the prior written consent of the Indemnifying Party; and



(vi) upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Indemnifying Party the right, in its sole discretion and at its sole expense, to assume the defense of such claim, including, but not limited to, the right to designate counsel reasonably acceptable to the Indemnified Party and to control all negotiations, litigation, arbitration, settlements, compromises and appeals of such claim; provided, that if the Indemnifying Party assumes the defense of such claim, it shall not be liable for any fees and expenses of counsel for any Indemnified Party incurred thereafter in connection with such claim except that if such Indemnified Party reasonably determines that counsel designated by the Indemnifying Party has a conflict of interest in connection with its representation of such Indemnified Party, such Indemnifying Party shall pay the reasonable fees and disbursements of one counsel (in addition to any local counsel) separate from its own counsel for all Indemnified Parties in connection with any one action or separate but similar or related actions in the same jurisdiction arising out of the same general allegations or circumstances; provided, further, that prior to entering into any final settlement or compromise, such Indemnifying Party shall seek the consent of the Indemnified Party and use its commercially reasonable efforts in the light of the then prevailing circumstances (including, without limitation, any express or implied time constraint on any pending settlement offer) to obtain the consent of such Indemnified Party as to the terms of settlement or compromise. If an Indemnified Party does not consent to the settlement or compromise within a reasonable time under the circumstances, the Indemnifying Party shall not thereafter be obligated to indemnify the Indemnified Party for any amount in excess of such proposed settlement or compromise.

(d) In the event that any Indemnified Party waives its right to indemnification hereunder, the Indemnifying Party shall not be entitled to appoint counsel to represent such Indemnified Party nor shall the Indemnifying Party reimburse such Indemnified Party for any costs of counsel to such Indemnified Party.

(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, nothing herein shall in any way constitute a waiver or limitation of any rights which the Issuer or the Holders of the Securities may have under any U.S. federal securities laws.

#### 11. No Partnership or Joint Venture.

The Issuer and the Servicer are not partners or joint venturers with each other and nothing herein shall be construed to make them such partners or joint venturers or impose any liability as such on either of them. The Servicer's relation to the Issuer shall be deemed to be that of an independent contractor.

#### 12. Term; Termination.

(a) This Agreement shall commence as of the date first set forth above and shall continue in force and effect until the first of the following occurs: (i) the payment in full of the Notes, the termination of the Indenture in accordance with its terms and the redemption in full of the Preference Shares; (ii) the liquidation of the Collateral and the final distribution of the proceeds of such liquidation to the Holders of the Securities; or (iii) the termination of this Agreement in accordance with subsection (b), (c), (d) or (e) of this Section 12 or Section 14 of this Agreement.

(b) Subject to Section 12(e) below, the Servicer may resign, upon 90 days' written notice to the Issuer (or such shorter notice as is acceptable to the Issuer). If the Servicer resigns,

the Issuer agrees to appoint a successor Servicer to assume such duties and obligations in accordance with Section 12(e).

(c) This Agreement shall be automatically terminated in the event that the Issuer determines in good faith that the Issuer or the pool of Collateral has become required to be registered under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, and the Issuer notifies the Servicer thereof.

(d) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to this Section 12, neither party shall have any further liability or obligation to the other, except as provided in Sections 2(c)(i), 8, 10 and 15 of this Agreement.

(e) No removal or resignation of the Servicer shall be effective unless:

(i) (A) the Issuer appoints a successor Servicer at the written direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by the retiring Servicer, any of its Affiliates or any account over which the retiring Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (or, with respect to Class I Preference Shares held by Investors Corp. at such time, Holding Preference Shares held by the retiring Servicer, any of its Affiliates or any account over which the retiring Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority) other than, with respect to the Class II Preference Shares, HFP; provided that, with respect to the voting authority of Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP and certified in writing to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP) (each such non-excluded Preference Share, a "Voting Preference Share"), (B) such successor Servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the retiring Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer, its Affiliates or any account over which the retiring Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority other than HFP; provided that, with respect to the voting authority of Notes owned by HFP, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP and certified in writing to the Trustee by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP) (each such non-excluded Note, a "Voting Note") or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single class); or

(ii) if a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares has nominated two or more successor Servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) or has otherwise failed to appoint a successor Servicer that has not been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) within 60 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer, then (A) any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) or the Trustee may petition a court of competent authority to appoint a successor Servicer, (B) such court appoints a successor Servicer and (C) such successor Servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the retiring Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture.

In addition, any successor Servicer must be an established institution which (i) has demonstrated an ability to professionally and competently perform duties similar to those imposed upon the Servicer hereunder, (ii) is legally qualified and has the capacity to act as Servicer hereunder, as successor to the Servicer under this Agreement in the assumption of all of the responsibilities, duties and obligations of the Servicer hereunder and under the applicable terms of the Indenture, (iii) shall not cause the Issuer or the pool of Collateral to become required to register under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, (iv) shall perform its duties as Servicer under this Agreement and the Indenture without causing the Issuer, the Co Issuer or any Holder of Preference Shares to become subject to tax in any jurisdiction where such successor Servicer is established as doing business and (v) each Rating Agency has confirmed that the appointment of such successor Servicer shall not cause its then current rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn. No compensation payable to a successor Servicer from payments on the Collateral shall be greater than that paid to the retiring Servicer without the prior written consent of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes, a Majority of the Noteholders and a Majority of the Preference Shares. The Issuer, the Trustee and the successor Servicer shall take such action (or cause the retiring Servicer to take such action) consistent with this Agreement and the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer, as shall be necessary to effectuate any such succession.

(f) In the event of removal of the Servicer pursuant to this Agreement, the Issuer shall have all of the rights and remedies available with respect thereto at law or equity, and, without limiting the foregoing, the Issuer or, to the extent so provided in the Indenture, the Trustee may by notice in writing to the Servicer as provided under this Agreement terminate all the rights and obligations of the Servicer under this Agreement (except those that survive termination pursuant to Section 12(d) above). Upon expiration of the applicable notice period with respect to termination specified in this Section 12 or Section 14 of this Agreement, as applicable, all authority and power of the Servicer under this Agreement, whether with respect to the Collateral or otherwise, shall automatically and without further action by any person or entity pass to and be vested in the successor Servicer upon the appointment thereof.

### 13. Delegation; Assignments.

This Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Servicer hereunder, shall not be delegated by the Servicer, in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and, notwithstanding any such consent, no delegation of obligations or duties by the Servicer (including, without limitation, to an entity described above) shall relieve the Servicer from any liability hereunder.

Subject to Section 12, any assignment of this Agreement to any Person, in whole or in part, by the Servicer shall be deemed null and void unless (i) such assignment is consented to in writing by the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and (ii) the Rating Agency Confirmation is satisfied with respect to any such assignment. Any assignment consented to by the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares shall bind the assignee hereunder in the same manner as the Servicer is bound. In addition, the assignee shall execute and deliver to the Issuer and the Trustee a counterpart of this Agreement naming such assignee as Servicer. Upon the execution and delivery of such a counterpart by the assignee and consent thereto by the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares, the Servicer shall be released from further obligations pursuant to this Agreement, except with respect to its obligations arising under Section 10 of this Agreement prior to such assignment and except with respect to its obligations under Sections 2(c)(i) and 15 hereof. This Agreement shall not be assigned by the Issuer without the prior written consent of the Servicer and the Trustee, except in the case of

assignment by the Issuer to (i) an entity which is a successor to the Issuer permitted under the Indenture, in which case such successor organization shall be bound hereunder and by the terms of said assignment in the same manner as the Issuer is bound thereunder or (ii) the Trustee as contemplated by the Indenture. In the event of any assignment by the Issuer, the Issuer shall cause its successor to execute and deliver to the Servicer such documents as the Servicer shall consider reasonably necessary to effect fully such assignment. The Servicer hereby consents to the matters set forth in Article 15 of the Indenture.

14. Termination by the Issuer for Cause.

Subject to Section 12(e) above, this Agreement shall be terminated and the Servicer shall be removed by the Issuer for cause upon 10 days' prior written notice to the Servicer and upon written notice to the Holders of the Securities as set forth below, but only if directed to do so by (1) the Trustee, acting at the direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) or (2) the Holders of a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares. For purposes of determining "cause" with respect to any such termination of this Agreement, such term shall mean any one of the following events:

(a) the Servicer willfully breaches in any respect, or takes any action that it knows violates in any respect, any provision of this Agreement or any terms of the Indenture applicable to it;

(b) the Servicer breaches in any material respect any provision of this Agreement or any terms of the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement applicable to it, or any representation, warranty, certification or statement given in writing by the Servicer shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or given, and the Servicer fails to cure such breach or take such action so that the facts (after giving effect to such action) conform in all material respects to such representation, warranty, certificate or statement, in each case within 30 days of becoming aware of, or receiving notice from, the Trustee of, such breach or materially incorrect representation, warranty, certificate or statement;

(c) the Servicer is wound up or dissolved (other than a dissolution in which the remaining members elect to continue the business of the Servicer in accordance with its Governing Instruments) or there is appointed over it or a substantial portion of its assets a receiver, administrator, administrative receiver, trustee or similar officer, or the Servicer (i) ceases to be able to, or admits in writing its inability to, pay its debts as they become due and payable, or makes a general assignment for the benefit of or enters into any composition or arrangement with, its creditors generally; (ii) applies for or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, assignee, custodian, liquidator or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Servicer or of any substantial part of its properties or assets, or authorizes such an application or consent, or proceedings seeking such appointment are commenced without such authorization, consent or application against the Servicer and continue undismissed for 60 days; (iii) authorizes or files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, or applies for or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the application of any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, readjustment of debt, insolvency or dissolution, or authorizes such application or consent, or proceedings to such end are instituted against the Servicer without such authorization, application or consent and are approved as properly instituted and remain undismissed for 60 days or result in adjudication of bankruptcy or insolvency; or (iv) permits or suffers all or any substantial part of its properties or assets to be sequestered or attached by court order and the order remains undismissed for 60 days;

(d) the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture that results from any breach by the Servicer of its duties under the Indenture or this Agreement, which breach or default is not cured within any applicable cure period; or

(e) (x) the occurrence of an act by the Servicer related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business that constitutes fraud, (y) the Servicer being indicted, or any of its principals being convicted, of a felony criminal offense related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business or (z) the Servicer being indicted for, adjudged liable in a civil suit for, or convicted of a violation of the Securities Act or any other United States Federal securities law or any rules or regulations thereunder.

If any of the events specified in this Section 14 shall occur, the Servicer shall give prompt written notice thereof to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Holders of all outstanding Notes and Preference Shares upon the Servicer's becoming aware of the occurrence of such event.

15. Action Upon Termination.

(a) From and after the effective date of termination of this Agreement, the Servicer shall not be entitled to compensation for further services hereunder, but shall be paid all compensation accrued to the date of termination, as provided in Section 8 hereof, and shall be entitled to receive any amounts owing under Section 10 hereof. Upon the effective date of termination of this Agreement, the Servicer shall as soon as practicable:

(i) deliver to the Issuer all property and documents of the Trustee or the Issuer or otherwise relating to the Collateral then in the custody of the Servicer; and

(ii) deliver to the Trustee an accounting with respect to the books and records delivered to the Trustee or the successor Servicer appointed pursuant to Section 12(e) hereof.

Notwithstanding such termination, the Servicer shall remain liable to the extent set forth herein (but subject to Section 10 hereof) for its acts or omissions hereunder arising prior to termination and for any expenses, losses, damages, liabilities, demands, charges and claims (including reasonable attorneys' fees) in respect of or arising out of a breach of the representations and warranties made by the Servicer in Section 16(b) hereof or from any failure of the Servicer to comply with the provisions of this Section 15.

(b) The Servicer agrees that, notwithstanding any termination of this Agreement, it shall reasonably cooperate in any Proceeding arising in connection with this Agreement, the Indenture or any of the Collateral (excluding any such Proceeding in which claims are asserted against the Servicer or any Affiliate of the Servicer) upon receipt of appropriate indemnification and expense reimbursement.

16. Representations and Warranties.

(a) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants to the Servicer as follows:

(i) The Issuer has been duly registered and is validly existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands, has full power and authority to own its assets and the securities proposed to be owned by it and included in the Collateral and to transact the business in which it is presently engaged and is duly qualified under the laws of each

jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Indenture or the Securities would require, such qualification, except for failures to be so qualified, authorized or licensed that would not in the aggregate have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Issuer.

(ii) The Issuer has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement, the Indenture and the Securities and all obligations required hereunder and thereunder and has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement, the Indenture and the Securities on the terms and conditions hereof and thereof and the execution by the Issuer, delivery and performance of this Agreement, the Indenture and the Securities and the performance of all obligations imposed upon it hereunder and thereunder. No consent of any other person including, without limitation, shareholders and creditors of the Issuer, and no license, permit, approval or authorization of, exemption by, notice or report to, or registration, filing or declaration with, any governmental authority, other than those that may be required under state securities or "blue sky" laws and those that have been or shall be obtained in connection with the Indenture and the Securities is required by the Issuer in connection with this Agreement, the Indenture and the Securities or the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Agreement, the Indenture and the Securities or the obligations imposed upon it hereunder or thereunder. This Agreement constitutes, and each instrument or document required hereunder, when executed and delivered hereunder, shall constitute, the legally valid and binding obligation of the Issuer enforceable against the Issuer in accordance with its terms, subject to (a) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights and (b) general equitable principles.

(iii) The execution by the Issuer, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the documents and instruments required hereunder shall not violate any provision of any existing law or regulation binding on the Issuer, or any order, judgment, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or governmental authority binding on the Issuer, or the Governing Instruments of, or any securities issued by, the Issuer or of any mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking to which the Issuer is a party or by which the Issuer or any of its assets may be bound, the violation of which would have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Issuer, and shall not result in or require the creation or imposition of any lien on any of its property, assets or revenues pursuant to the provisions of any such mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking (other than the lien of the Indenture).

(iv) The Issuer is not in violation of its Governing Instruments or in breach or violation of or in default under the Indenture or any contract or agreement to which it is a party or by which it or any of its assets may be bound, or any applicable statute or any rule, regulation or order of any court, government agency or body having jurisdiction over the Issuer or its properties, the breach or violation of which or default under which would have a material adverse effect on the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the performance by the Issuer of its duties hereunder.

(v) True and complete copies of the Indenture and the Issuer's Governing Instruments have been delivered to the Servicer.

The Issuer agrees to deliver a true and complete copy of each amendment to the documents referred to in Section 16(a)(v) above to the Servicer as promptly as practicable after its adoption or execution.

(b) The Servicer hereby represents and warrants to the Issuer as follows:

(i) The Servicer is a limited partnership duly organized and validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware, has full power and authority to own its assets and to transact the business in which it is currently engaged and is duly qualified and in good standing under the laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of this Agreement would require such qualification, except for those jurisdictions in which the failure to be so qualified, authorized or licensed would not have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Servicer or on the ability of the Servicer to perform its obligations under, or on the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement and the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer.

(ii) The Servicer has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement and all obligations required hereunder and under the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer, and has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement on the terms and conditions hereof and the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and all obligations required hereunder and under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer. No consent of any other person, including, without limitation, creditors of the Servicer, and no license, permit, approval or authorization of, exemption by, notice or report to, or registration, filing or declaration with, any governmental authority is required by the Servicer in connection with this Agreement or the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the obligations required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer. This Agreement has been, and each instrument and document required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer shall be, executed and delivered by a duly authorized partner of the Servicer, and this Agreement constitutes, and each instrument and document required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer when executed and delivered by the Servicer hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer shall constitute, the valid and legally binding obligations of the Servicer enforceable against the Servicer in accordance with their terms, subject to (a) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights and (b) general equitable principles.

(iii) The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer and the documents and instruments required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer shall not violate or conflict with any provision of any existing law or regulation binding on or applicable to the Servicer, or any order, judgment, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or governmental authority binding on the Servicer, or the Governing Instruments of, or any securities issued by the Servicer or of any mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking to which the Servicer is a party or by which the Servicer or any of its assets may be bound, the violation of which would have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Servicer or its ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement and

the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer, and shall not result in or require the creation or imposition of any lien on any of its material property, assets or revenues pursuant to the provisions of any such mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking.

(iv) There is no charge, investigation, action, suit or proceeding before or by any court pending or, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, threatened that, if determined adversely to the Servicer, would have a material adverse effect upon the performance by the Servicer of its duties under, or on the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement and the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer.

(v) The Servicer is a registered investment adviser under the Advisers Act.

(vi) The Servicer is not in violation of its Governing Instruments or in breach or violation of or in default under any contract or agreement to which it is a party or by which it or any of its property may be bound, or any applicable statute or any rule, regulation or order of any court, government agency or body having jurisdiction over the Servicer or its properties, the breach or violation of which or default under which would have a material adverse effect on the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer, or the performance by the Servicer of its duties hereunder.

17. Notices.

Unless expressly provided otherwise herein, all notices, requests, demands and other communications required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing (including by telecopy) and shall be deemed to have been duly given, made and received when delivered against receipt or upon actual receipt of registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, or, in the case of telecopy notice, when received in legible form, addressed as set forth below:

(a) If to the Issuer:

Red River CLO Ltd.  
c/o Ogier Fiduciary Services (Cayman) Limited  
P.O. Box 1093GT  
Queensgate House  
South Church Street  
George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands  
Telephone: (345) 945-6264  
Telecopy: (345) 945-6265  
Attention: The Directors

(b) If to the Servicer:

Highland Capital Management, L.P.  
Two Galleria Tower  
13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300  
Dallas, Texas 75240  
Telephone: (972) 628-4100



Telecopy: (972) 628-4147  
Attention: James Dondero

(c) If to the Trustee:

U.S. Bank National Association  
One Federal Street, 3rd Floor  
Mailcode: EX-MA-FED  
Boston, Massachusetts 02110  
Telecopy: (866) 350-3148  
Attention: CDO Unit – Red River CLO Ltd.

(d) If to the Noteholders:

In accordance with Section 14.4 of the Indenture, at their respective addresses set forth on the Note Register.

(e) If to the Holders of the Preference Shares:

In accordance with Section 14.4 of the Indenture, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent at the address identified therein.

(f) if to the Rating Agencies:

In accordance with Section 14.3 of the Indenture, to the rating Agencies at the address identified therein.

Any party may alter the address or telecopy number to which communications or copies are to be sent by giving notice of such change of address in conformity with the provisions of this Section 17 for the giving of notice.

18. Binding Nature of Agreement; Successors and Assigns.

This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns as provided herein. The Servicer hereby consents to the collateral assignment of this Agreement as provided in the Indenture and further agrees that the Trustee may enforce the Servicer's obligations hereunder.

19. Entire Agreement.

This Agreement contains the entire agreement and understanding among the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements, understandings, inducements and conditions, express or implied, oral or written, of any nature whatsoever with respect to the subject matter hereof. The express terms hereof control and supersede any course of performance and/or usage of the trade inconsistent with any of the terms hereof. This Agreement may not be modified or amended other than by an agreement in writing executed by the parties hereto and in accordance with the terms of Section 15.1(h) of the Indenture.

20. Conflict with the Indenture.

Subject to the last two sentences of Section 2(a)(i), in the event that this Agreement requires any action to be taken with respect to any matter and the Indenture requires that a different action be taken with respect to such matter, and such actions are mutually exclusive, the provisions of the Indenture in respect thereof shall control.

21. Priority of Payments.

The Servicer agrees that the payment of all amounts to which it is entitled pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture shall be due and payable only in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Indenture and only to the extent funds are available for such payments in accordance with such priorities.

22. Governing Law.

**THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS PROVISIONS THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION.**

23. Indulgences Not Waivers.

Neither the failure nor any delay on the part of any party hereto to exercise any right, remedy, power or privilege under this Agreement shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power or privilege preclude any other or further exercise of the same or of any other right, remedy, power or privilege, nor shall any waiver of any right, remedy, power or privilege with respect to any occurrence be construed as a waiver of such right, remedy, power or privilege with respect to any other occurrence. No waiver shall be effective unless it is in writing and is signed by the party asserted to have granted such waiver.

24. Costs and Expenses.

Except as may otherwise be agreed in writing, the costs and expenses (including the fees and disbursements of counsel and accountants) incurred by each party in connection with the negotiation and preparation of and the execution of this Agreement, and all matters incident thereto, shall be borne by such party.

25. Titles Not to Affect Interpretation.

The titles of paragraphs and subparagraphs contained in this Agreement are for convenience only, and they neither form a part of this Agreement nor are they to be used in the construction or interpretation hereof.

26. Execution in Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts by facsimile or other written form of communication, each of which shall be deemed to be an original as against any party whose signature appears thereon, and all of which shall together constitute one and the same instrument. This Agreement shall become binding when one or more counterparts hereof, individually or taken together, shall bear the signatures of all of the parties reflected hereon as the signatories.

27. Provisions Separable.

In case any provision in this Agreement shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable as written, such provision shall be construed in the manner most closely resembling the apparent intent of the parties with respect to such provision so as to be valid, legal and enforceable; provided, however, that if there is no basis for such a construction, such provision shall be ineffective only to the extent of such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability and, unless the ineffectiveness of such provision destroys the basis of the bargain for one of the parties to this Agreement, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions hereof or thereof shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

28. Number and Gender.

Words used herein, regardless of the number and gender specifically used, shall be deemed and construed to include any other number, singular or plural, and any other gender, masculine, feminine or neuter, as the context requires.

29. Written Disclosure Statement.

The Issuer and the Trustee acknowledge receipt of Part II of the Servicer's Form ADV filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, as required by Rule 204-3 under the Advisers Act, more than 48 hours prior to the date of execution of this Agreement.

30. Miscellaneous.

(a) In the event that any vote is solicited with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall vote or refrain from voting any such security in any manner permitted by the Indenture that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities. In addition, with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, may instruct the trustee for such Defaulted Collateral Obligation to enforce the Issuer's rights under the Underlying Instruments governing such Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any applicable law, rule or regulation in any manner permitted under the Indenture that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities. In the event any Offer is made with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, may take such action as is permitted by the Indenture and that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities.

(b) In connection with taking or omitting any action under the Indenture or this Agreement, the Servicer may consult with counsel and may rely in good faith on the advice of such counsel or any opinion of counsel.

Any corporation, partnership or limited liability company into which the Servicer may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any corporation, partnership or limited liability company resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Servicer shall be a party, or any corporation, partnership or limited liability company succeeding to all or substantially all of the servicing and collateral management business of the Servicer, shall be the successor to the Servicer without any further action by the Servicer, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Noteholders or any other person or entity.

31. Limitation of Liabilities.

The Issuer's obligations hereunder are solely the corporate obligations of the Issuer and the Servicer shall not have any recourse to any of the directors, officers, shareholders, members or incorporators of the Issuer with respect to any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations in connection with any transactions contemplated hereby, except for any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations caused by the gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct of such directors, officers, shareholders, members or incorporators of the Issuer. The obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be limited to the net proceeds of the Collateral, if any, and following realization of the Collateral and its application in accordance with the Indenture, any outstanding obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. The provisions of this section shall survive termination of this Agreement.


32. Consent to Posting of Documents on Repository.

The Servicer hereby consents to (i) the posting of the final Offering Memorandum, the Indenture and any Hedge Agreements (collectively, the "Documents") and the periodic reports to be delivered pursuant to the Documents and any amendments or other modifications thereto on the Repository (as such term is defined in the Indenture) for use in the manner provided in the Repository; and (ii) the display of its name on the Repository in connection therewith.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date and year first above written.

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.  
in its capacity as Servicer

BY: STRAND ADVISORS, INC., as General  
Partner

By:   
Name: Todd Travers, Assistant Secretary  
Title: Strand Advisors, Inc., General Partner of  
Highland Capital Management, L.P.

RED RIVER CLO Ltd., as Issuer

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

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BY: STRAND ADVISORS, INC., as General  
Partner

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

RED RIVER CLO LTD., as Issuer

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: **SCOTT DAKERS**  
Title: **P. RECTOR**

## **EXHIBIT SS**

**EXECUTION COPY**

**RED RIVER CLO LTD.**

Issuer

**RED RIVER CLO CORP.**

Co-Issuer

AND

**HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.**

Servicer

**AMENDMENT NO. 1**

**TO**

**SERVICING AGREEMENT**

Dated as of October 2, 2007

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**COLLATERALIZED DEBT OBLIGATIONS**

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**THIS AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO SERVICING AGREEMENT** (the “Amendment”), dated as of October 2, 2007, among Red River CLO Ltd. (the “Issuer”), Red River CLO Corp. (the “Co-Issuer”) and Highland Capital Management, L.P. (the “Servicer”), hereby amends the Servicing Agreement, dated as August 3, 2006, among the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Servicer.

W I T N E S S E T H

WHEREAS, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Servicer entered into the Servicing Agreement;

WHEREAS, the Issuers and the Servicer desire to change certain provisions with respect to the Servicer’s ability to waive certain Servicing Fees;

WHEREAS, Section 19 of the Servicing Agreement provides that the Servicing Agreement may be amended by the Issuer, Co-Issuer and the Servicer in accordance with the terms of Section 15.1(h) of the Indenture;

WHEREAS, Section 15.1(h) of the Indenture provides that the Servicing Agreement may be amended by the Issuer, Co-Issuer and the Servicer with the consent of Majority of each Class of Notes or a Majority of the Preference Shares have not objected in writing to such amendment;

WHEREAS, the necessary consents pursuant to the preceding paragraph have been obtained;

WHEREAS, Section 15.1(h) of the Indenture provides that the Ratings Agencies shall confirm that this Amendment to the Indenture will not cause the rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn; and

WHEREAS, the Ratings Agencies have confirmed that this Amendment to the Indenture will not cause the rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:

**SECTION 1. Defined Terms.**

For purposes of this Amendment, all capitalized terms which are used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the respective meanings assigned to such terms in the Indenture.

**SECTION 2. Amendment.**

Section 8(a) of the Servicing Agreement is hereby amended and replaced in its entirety with the following:

**8. Compensation.**

(a) The Issuer shall pay to the Servicer, for services rendered and performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Servicing Fee, which shall be payable in such

amounts and at such times as set forth in the Indenture. The provisions of the Indenture which relate to the amount and payment of the Servicing Fee shall not be amended without the written consent of the Servicer. If on any Payment Date there are insufficient funds to pay the Servicing Fee (and/or any other amounts due and payable to the Servicer) in full, the amount not so paid shall be deferred and shall be payable with accrued interest on such later Payment Date on which funds are available therefor as provided in the Indenture.

The Servicer hereby agrees to waive the Class II Preference Share Portion of the Servicing Fees deposited by the Trustee into the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account pursuant to the Indenture, which would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as Servicing Fees, on each Payment Date prior to February 3, 2008. With respect to any Payment Date after February 3, 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion (or all) of its Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Issuer as Class II Preference Share Special Payments pursuant to the Indenture; provided that with respect to the Payment Date in May 2008 such Class II Preference Share Special Payments will, at a minimum, include amounts that would otherwise constitute a portion (representing the Class II Preference Share Percentage) of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Payment Date in February 2008 through February 3, 2008. For purposes of any calculation under this Agreement and the Indenture, the Servicer shall be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

In addition, notwithstanding anything set out above, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion waive all or any portion of the Subordinate Servicing Fee or Supplemental Servicing Fee, any funds representing the waived Subordinate Servicing Fees or Supplemental Servicing Fees to be retained in the Collection Account for distribution as either Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds (as determined by the Servicer) pursuant to the Priority of Payments.

### SECTION 3. Effect of Amendment.

Upon execution of this Amendment, the Indenture shall be, and be deemed to be, modified and amended in accordance herewith and the respective rights, limitations, obligations, duties, liabilities and immunities of the Issuer, Co-Issuer and the Servicer shall hereafter be determined, exercised and enforced subject in all respects to such modifications and amendments, and all the terms and conditions of this Amendment shall be deemed to be part of the terms and conditions of the Indenture for any and all purposes. Except as modified and expressly amended by this Amendment, the Indenture is in all respects ratified and confirmed, and all the terms, provisions and conditions thereof shall be and remain in full force and effect.

### SECTION 4. Binding Effect.

The provisions of this Amendment shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Servicer and each of their respective successors and assigns.

SECTION 5. GOVERNING LAW.

THIS AMENDMENT TO THE INDENTURE SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK APPLICABLE TO AGREEMENTS MADE AND TO BE PERFORMED THEREIN WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS CONFLICT OF LAW PROVISIONS, AND THE OBLIGATIONS, RIGHTS AND REMEDIES OF THE PARTIES HEREUNDER SHALL BE DETERMINED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUCH LAWS.

SECTION 6. Severability of Provisions.

If any one or more of the provisions or terms of this Amendment shall be for any reason whatsoever held invalid, then such provisions or terms shall be deemed severable from the remaining provisions or terms of this Amendment and shall in no way affect the validity or enforceability of the other provisions or terms of this Amendment.

SECTION 7. Section Headings.

The section headings herein are for convenience of reference only, and shall not limit or otherwise affect the meaning hereof.

SECTION 8. Counterparts.

This Amendment may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which shall constitute but one and the same instrument.

[Signature pages follow]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Issuer, Co-Issuer and the Servicer have caused their names to be signed hereto by their respective officers thereunto duly authorized, all as of the day and year first above written.

RED RIVER CLO LTD.,  
as Issuer

By:   
Name: **VIJAYABALAN MURUGESU**  
Title: **DIRECTOR**

RED RIVER CLO CORP.,  
as Co-Issuer

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

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT,  
L.P., as Servicer

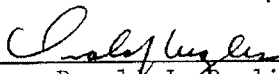
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RED RIVER CLO LTD.,  
as Issuer

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

RED RIVER CLO CORP.,  
as Co-Issuer

By:   
Name: Donald J. Puglisi  
Title: President

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT,  
L.P., as Servicer

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

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Issuer, Co-Issuer and the Servicer have caused their names to be signed hereto by their respective officers thereunto duly authorized, all as of the day and year first above written.


RED RIVER CLO LTD.,  
as Issuer

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


RED RIVER CLO CORP.,  
as Co-Issuer

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

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., as  
Servicer

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name:  Todd Travers  
Title: Senior Portfolio Manager  
Highland Capital Management, L.P.

**CONSENTED AND AGREED TO BY:**

  
Name: Todd Travers  
Title: CEO & CFO  
E-mail address: tatravers@hemp.com  
Aggregate Outstanding Amount/Face Amount of Class II  
Preference Shares Held: 45,000,000  
CUSIP/ISIN: 756873204

## **EXHIBIT TT**



### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Attached is an electronic copy of the final Confidential Offering Circular (the “Offering Circular”), dated May 8, 2006, relating to the offering by Rockwall CDO Ltd. (the “Issuer”) and Rockwall CDO (Delaware) Corp. (the “Co-Issuer” and, together with the Issuer, the “Co-Issuers”) of U.S. \$538,000,000 Class A-1LA Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021, U.S. \$96,000,000 Class A-1LB Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021, U.S. \$76,000,000 Class A-2L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021, U.S. \$36,500,000 Class A-3L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021, U.S. \$10,000,000 Class A-4L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021, U.S. \$21,000,000 Class B-1L Floating Rate Notes Due August 2021 and U.S. \$14,000,000 Class X Floating Rate Notes Due August 2013.

No registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These securities are being offered pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended. This Offering Circular is confidential and will not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor will there be any sale of these securities in any jurisdiction where such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any jurisdiction.

No purchase of these securities may be made except pursuant to the final Confidential Offering Circular. The final Confidential Offering Circular may be transmitted electronically, but each investor in the securities should receive a printed version thereof prior to purchase. If you do not receive a printed version of such final Confidential Offering Circular, please contact your Initial Purchaser representative at the address provided herein.

Distribution of this electronic transmission of the Offering Circular to any person other than (a) the person receiving this electronic transmission from either Initial Purchaser on behalf of the Issuer and/or the Co-Issuer and (b) any person retained to advise the person receiving this electronic transmission with respect to the offering contemplated by the Offering Circular (each, an “Authorized Recipient”) is unauthorized. Any photocopying, disclosure or alteration of the contents of this Offering Circular, and any forwarding of a copy of this Offering Circular or any portion thereof by electronic mail or any other means to any person other than an Authorized Recipient, is prohibited. By accepting delivery of this Offering Circular, each recipient hereof agrees to the foregoing.

**ROCKWALL CDO LTD.  
ROCKWALL CDO (DELAWARE) CORP.**

**U.S.\$538,000,000 Class A-1LA Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021**  
**U.S.\$96,000,000 Class A-1LB Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021**  
**U.S.\$76,000,000 Class A-2L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021**  
**U.S.\$36,500,000 Class A-3L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021**  
**U.S.\$10,000,000 Class A-4L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021**  
**U.S.\$21,000,000 Class B-1L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021**  
**U.S.\$14,000,000 Class X Floating Rate Notes Due August 2013**

The Notes, consisting of the Class A-1LA Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021 (the "**Class A-1LA Notes**") in the aggregate principal amount of U.S.\$538,000,000, the Class A-1LB Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021 (the "**Class A-1LB Notes**" and, with the Class A-1LA Notes, the "**Class A-1L Notes**") in the aggregate principal amount of U.S.\$96,000,000, the Class A-2L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021 (the "**Class A-2L Notes**" and, with the Class A-1L Notes, the "**Senior Class A Notes**") in the aggregate principal amount of U.S.\$76,000,000, the Class A-3L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021 (the "**Class A-3L Notes**") in the aggregate principal amount of U.S. \$36,500,000, the Class A-4L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021 (the "**Class A-4L Notes**" and, with the Senior Class A Notes and the Class A-3L Notes, the "**Class A Notes**") in the aggregate principal amount of U.S.\$10,000,000, the Class B-1L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021 (the "**Class B-1L Notes**") in the aggregate principal amount of U.S.\$21,000,000 and the Class X Floating Rate Notes Due August 2013 (the "**Class X Notes**" and, with the Class B-1L Notes and the Class A Notes, the "**Notes**") in the aggregate principal amount of U.S.\$14,000,000 are being issued by Rockwall CDO Ltd. (the "**Issuer**").

It is a condition of issuance that the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes and the Class X Notes each be rated "AAA" by Standard & Poor's Ratings Services ("**S&P**") and "Aaa" by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("**Moody's**"), the Class A-2L Notes be rated at least "AA" by S&P and at least "Aa2" by Moody's, the Class A-3L Notes be rated at least "A" by S&P and at least "A2" by Moody's, the Class A-4L Notes be rated at least "A-" by S&P and at least "A3" by Moody's and the Class B-1L Notes be rated at least "BBB" by S&P and at least "Baa2" by Moody's. See "Ratings". Each of the ratings of the Notes described herein assume that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date.

Application may be made to the Irish Stock Exchange to admit the Notes to the Official List of the Irish Stock Exchange. There can be no assurance that such admission will be granted or maintained.

**For certain factors to be considered in connection with an investment in the Notes, see "Special Considerations" and "Notices to Purchasers."**

No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Recipient: \_\_\_\_\_

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The Notes are being offered in registered form to "qualified institutional buyers" within the meaning of Rule 144A ("**Rule 144A**") under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "**Securities Act**"), and to certain persons in transactions outside the United States in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act, all of whom (other than non-U.S. Persons purchasing in offshore transactions under Regulation S) are also "qualified purchasers" within the meaning of Section 3(c)(7) of the U.S. Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "**Investment Company Act**"). Settlement of the Notes will be made in immediately available funds.

THE NOTES HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT NOR HAS EITHER OF THE CO-ISSUERS BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT. THE NOTES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO U.S. PERSONS (AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT), EXCEPT TO "QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYERS" (AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT). THE NOTES MAY ALSO BE OFFERED OR SOLD TO CERTAIN PERSONS IN TRANSACTIONS OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN RELIANCE ON REGULATION S. THE NOTES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO U.S. PERSONS EXCEPT TO "QUALIFIED PURCHASERS" (WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT) IN A TRANSACTION THAT DOES NOT CAUSE EITHER OF THE CO-ISSUERS TO BE REQUIRED TO REGISTER UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT. FOR CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS ON RESALE SEE "DELIVERY OF THE NOTES; TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS; SETTLEMENT".

The Notes are offered by the Co-Issuers through Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. ("**Bear Stearns**" or the "**Initial Purchaser**") to prospective purchasers from time to time in negotiated transactions at varying prices to be determined in each case at the time of sale. The Notes are offered when, as and if issued by the Co-Issuers, subject to prior sale or withdrawal, cancellation or modification of the offer without notice and subject to approval of certain legal matters by counsel and certain other conditions. It is expected that delivery of the Notes will be made on or about [May 10], 2006 (the "**Closing Date**"), against payment in immediately available funds. See "Plan of Distribution."

The Notes of each Class sold to Non-U.S. Persons, if any, will be represented on the Closing Date by temporary global notes (the "**Temporary Regulation S Global Note(s)**"), which will be deposited with a custodian for and registered in the name of a nominee of The Depository Trust Company ("**DTC**") for the accounts of Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear System ("**Euroclear**") and Clearstream Banking, société anonyme ("**Clearstream**"). The Notes sold to U.S. Persons, if any, will be issued, sold and delivered in book-entry form only through the facilities of The Depository Trust Company.

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**Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc.**

This Confidential Offering Circular is dated May 8, 2006.

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a recently formed exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands and will be co-issued by Rockwall CDO (Delaware) Corp., a recently formed Delaware corporation (the "**Co-Issuer**" and, together with the Issuer, the "**Co-Issuers**"), on a non-recourse basis as described herein. The Issuer will receive all of the net proceeds of the offering of the Notes, which, together with certain proceeds from the sale of the Preferred Shares (as defined herein) of the Issuer on the Closing Date (defined below) will be used by the Issuer to purchase, or commit to purchase, on and after the Closing Date and before the Effective Date (defined below) a portfolio of commercial loans (the "**Portfolio Loans**") and collateralized loan obligations (the "**CLO Securities**"), pledged to secure the Notes (together with the additional commercial loans and collateralized loan obligations, including synthetic securities, that will be purchased by the Issuer from time to time and pledged to secure the Notes and certain other obligations as described herein, the "**Portfolio Collateral**"). As described herein, the Portfolio Collateral will consist primarily of commercial loans and collateralized loan obligations that are rated below investment grade issued by U.S. and certain non-U.S. issuers and that satisfy the criteria described herein.

The Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes and the Class X Notes will provide for the payment of Periodic Interest (as defined herein) (to the extent of funds available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period (as defined herein) at the rate of 0.30%, 0.50%, 0.65%, 1.40%, 1.70%, 2.25% and 0.36% *per annum*, respectively, above the London interbank offered rate for three-month U.S. dollar deposits (or, for the period from the Closing Date to the first Payment Date, as described herein) ("**LIBOR**") (determined as described herein). Such payments are in each case to be made at the times and subject to the priority of payments described herein.

The Final Maturity Dates of the Notes (other than the Class X Notes) are subject to multiple extensions to the applicable Extended Final Maturity Date if the Issuer provides timely notice and the Extension Conditions are satisfied as described herein.

Principal of the Notes will be payable at the times, in the amounts, and subject to the priority of payment provisions described herein. **The Notes are subject to redemption at the times and under the circumstances described herein, including, without limitation, Initial Deposit Redemption, O/C Redemption (other than with respect to the Class X Notes), Optional Redemption, Special Redemption (other than with respect to the Class X Notes), Tax Event Redemption and Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption as described herein.**

The Notes are non-recourse obligations of the Co-Issuers, payable solely from the Trust Estate as described herein. The Class B-1L Notes are subordinated to the Class A Notes and the Class X Notes, the Class A-4L Notes are subordinated to the Class A-3L Notes, the Senior Class A Notes and the Class X Notes, the Class A-3L Notes are subordinated to the Senior Class A Notes and the Class X Notes, the Class A-2L Notes are subordinated to the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes and the Class A-1LB Notes are subordinated to the Class A-1LA Notes, in each case to the extent described herein. To the extent the assets of the Trust Estate are insufficient to pay in full all amounts due on the Notes, the Co-Issuers shall have no further obligations in respect of the Notes and any sums outstanding and unpaid shall be extinguished.

## NOTICES TO PURCHASERS

THE NOTES HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY OTHER JURISDICTION AND MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED WITHIN THE UNITED STATES, OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, UNITED STATES PERSONS, UNLESS A REGISTRATION STATEMENT WITH RESPECT THERETO IS THEN EFFECTIVE UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OR AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND APPLICABLE STATE SECURITIES LAWS IS AVAILABLE. THE CO-ISSUERS HAVE NO OBLIGATION OR CURRENT INTENTION TO EFFECT SUCH REGISTRATION. THE CO-ISSUERS ARE RELYING ON AN EXCLUSION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT, PURSUANT TO THE EXEMPTIONS PROVIDED IN RULE 3a-7 AND/OR SECTION 3(c)(7) UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT, AND NO TRANSFER OF A NOTE MAY BE MADE WHICH WOULD CAUSE THE CO-ISSUERS TO BECOME SUBJECT TO THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT. THE NOTES ARE ALSO SUBJECT TO CERTAIN OTHER RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFER DESCRIBED HEREIN. PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS OF THE NOTES SHOULD PROCEED ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT THEY MUST HOLD THEIR INVESTMENT FOR AN INDEFINITE PERIOD OF TIME.

THE PURCHASER OF A NOTE, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE THEREOF, REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER SUCH NOTE EXCEPT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT AND OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS AND EXCEPT (A) IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, WHOM THE SELLER HAS INFORMED, IN EACH CASE, THAT THE RESALE, PLEDGE OR OTHER TRANSFER IS BEING MADE IN RELIANCE ON RULE 144A, PROVIDED THAT SUCH PURCHASER DELIVERS ALL DOCUMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS AS THE CO-ISSUERS OR THE TRUSTEE MAY REASONABLY REQUEST; (B) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 903 OR 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, PROVIDED THAT SUCH PURCHASER DELIVERS ALL DOCUMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS AS THE CO-ISSUERS OR THE TRUSTEE MAY REASONABLY REQUEST; OR (C) TO THE CO-ISSUERS OR THEIR AFFILIATES, IN EACH CASE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANY APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAW OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER JURISDICTION. IN ADDITION, THE PURCHASER OF A NOTE, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE THEREOF, REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER SUCH NOTE OTHER THAN TO A NON-U.S. PERSON IN AN "OFFSHORE TRANSACTION" IN COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATION S EXCEPT TO A "QUALIFIED PURCHASER" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT IN A TRANSACTION THAT DOES NOT CAUSE THE CO-ISSUERS TO BE REQUIRED TO REGISTER UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT AND WILL ALSO BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE REPRESENTATIONS SET FORTH UNDER "DELIVERY OF THE NOTES; TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS; SETTLEMENT." FURTHER, THE NOTES MAY NOT BE SOLD OR TRANSFERRED UNLESS SUCH SALE OR TRANSFER WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE"). THE CLASS B-1L NOTES MAY NOT BE SOLD OR TRANSFERRED TO ANY PLAN SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, OR TO ANY PERSON ACTING ON BEHALF OF OR WITH "PLAN ASSETS" OF ANY SUCH PLAN, INCLUDING AN INSURANCE COMPANY GENERAL ACCOUNT, UNLESS THE PURCHASER OR TRANSFEREE IS ELIGIBLE FOR THE EXEMPTIVE RELIEF AVAILABLE UNDER PTCE 96-23, 95-60, 91-38, 90-1 OR 84-14.

THE NOTES ARE NON-RECOURSE OBLIGATIONS OF THE CO-ISSUERS. PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE NOTES WILL BE PAID SOLELY FROM AND TO THE EXTENT OF THE AVAILABLE PROCEEDS FROM THE DISTRIBUTIONS ON THE PORTFOLIO COLLATERAL AND, UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, AMOUNTS ON DEPOSIT IN THE INITIAL DEPOSIT ACCOUNT, WHICH ARE THE ONLY SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL OF, INTEREST ON AND OTHER AMOUNTS PAYABLE IN

RESPECT OF THE NOTES. TO THE EXTENT SUCH SOURCES OF PAYMENT ARE INSUFFICIENT TO PAY IN FULL ALL AMOUNTS DUE ON THE NOTES, THE CO-ISSUERS SHALL HAVE NO FURTHER OBLIGATIONS IN RESPECT OF THE NOTES AND ANY SUMS OUTSTANDING AND UNPAID SHALL BE EXTINGUISHED.

FOR THESE REASONS, AMONG OTHERS, AN INVESTMENT IN THE NOTES IS NOT SUITABLE FOR ALL INVESTORS AND IS APPROPRIATE ONLY FOR AN INVESTOR CAPABLE OF (A) ANALYZING AND ASSESSING THE RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH DEFAULTS, LOSSES AND RECOVERIES ON, APPLICATION OF PROCEEDS OF AND OTHER CHARACTERISTICS OF, DEBT SECURITIES SUCH AS THE PORTFOLIO COLLATERAL, AND (B) BEARING SUCH RISKS AND FINANCIAL CONSEQUENCES THEREOF AS THEY RELATE TO AN INVESTMENT IN THE NOTES.

EACH PURCHASER OF A NOTE BY ITS ACCEPTANCE THEREOF ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT IS USING ITS INDEPENDENT JUDGMENT IN ASSESSING THE OPPORTUNITIES AND RISKS PRESENTED BY THE NOTES FOR ITS INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO AND IN DETERMINING WHETHER THE ACQUISITION IS SUITABLE AND COMPLIES WITH SUCH PURCHASER'S INVESTMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES.

EXCEPT AS SET FORTH IN THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR, NO PERSON IS AUTHORIZED TO GIVE ANY INFORMATION OR TO MAKE ANY REPRESENTATION NOT CONTAINED IN THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR AND, IF GIVEN OR MADE, SUCH INFORMATION OR REPRESENTATION MUST NOT BE RELIED UPON. THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO SELL OR THE SOLICITATION OF AN OFFER TO BUY ANY OF THE NOTES OFFERED HEREBY IN ANY JURISDICTION TO ANY PERSON TO WHICH IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE SUCH OFFER IN SUCH JURISDICTION NOR TO ANY PERSON WHO HAS NOT RECEIVED A COPY OF EACH CURRENT AMENDMENT OR SUPPLEMENT HERETO, IF ANY.

THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR IS FURNISHED ON A CONFIDENTIAL BASIS SOLELY FOR THE PURPOSE OF EVALUATING THE INVESTMENT OFFERED HEREBY. THE INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN MAY NOT BE REPRODUCED OR USED IN WHOLE OR IN PART FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSE.

NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED AGREEMENT TO THE CONTRARY, THE ISSUER, THE SERVICER, THE INITIAL PURCHASER, THE TRUSTEE, THE COLLATERAL ADMINISTRATOR AND EACH RECIPIENT HEREOF AGREE THAT EACH OF THEM AND EACH OF THEIR EMPLOYEES, REPRESENTATIVES, AND OTHER AGENTS MAY DISCLOSE, IMMEDIATELY UPON COMMENCEMENT OF DISCUSSIONS, TO ANY AND ALL PERSONS, WITHOUT LIMITATION OF ANY KIND, THE TAX TREATMENT AND TAX STRUCTURE OF THE TRANSACTION AND ALL MATERIALS OF ANY KIND (INCLUDING OPINIONS OR OTHER TAX ANALYSES) THAT ARE PROVIDED TO ANY OF THEM RELATING TO SUCH TAX TREATMENT AND TAX STRUCTURE.

THE NOTES ARE BEING OFFERED ONLY TO A LIMITED NUMBER OF INVESTORS (ALL OF WHICH ARE REQUIRED TO BE QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYERS OR INVESTORS WHO ARE OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S OF THE SECURITIES ACT) THAT ARE WILLING AND ABLE TO CONDUCT AN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION OF THE CHARACTERISTICS OF THE NOTES AND RISKS OF OWNERSHIP OF THE NOTES. IT IS EXPECTED THAT PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN THIS OFFERING WILL CONDUCT AN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION OF THE RISKS POSED BY AN INVESTMENT IN THE NOTES. OFFICERS AND OTHER REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CO-ISSUERS AND THE INITIAL PURCHASER WILL BE AVAILABLE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE CO-ISSUERS, THE NOTES AND THE COLLATERAL AND WILL, UPON REQUEST, MAKE AVAILABLE SUCH OTHER INFORMATION AS INVESTORS MAY REASONABLY REQUEST.

THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR IS NOT INTENDED TO FURNISH LEGAL, REGULATORY, TAX, ACCOUNTING, INVESTMENT OR OTHER ADVICE TO ANY PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER OF THE NOTES. THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR SHOULD BE REVIEWED BY EACH PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER AND ITS LEGAL, REGULATORY, TAX, ACCOUNTING, INVESTMENT AND OTHER ADVISORS.

INVESTORS WHOSE INVESTMENT AUTHORITY IS SUBJECT TO LEGAL RESTRICTIONS SHOULD CONSULT THEIR OWN LEGAL ADVISORS TO DETERMINE WHETHER AND TO WHAT EXTENT THE NOTES CONSTITUTE LEGAL INVESTMENTS FOR THEM.

NO INVITATION MAY BE MADE TO THE PUBLIC IN THE CAYMAN ISLANDS TO SUBSCRIBE FOR THE NOTES.

THE INITIAL PURCHASER AND THE CO-ISSUERS: (A) HAVE ONLY COMMUNICATED OR CAUSED TO BE COMMUNICATED AND WILL ONLY COMMUNICATE OR CAUSE TO BE COMMUNICATED ANY INVITATION OR INDUCEMENT TO ENGAGE IN INVESTMENT ACTIVITY (WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 21 OF THE FINANCIAL SERVICES AND MARKETS ACT 2000 ("FSMA")) RECEIVED BY THEM IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUE OR SALE OF ANY OFFERED SECURITIES IN CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH SECTION 21(1) OF THE FSMA DOES NOT APPLY TO THE ISSUER; AND (B) HAVE COMPLIED AND WILL COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE FSMA WITH RESPECT TO ANYTHING DONE BY THEM IN RELATION TO THE OFFERED SECURITIES IN, FROM OR OTHERWISE INVOLVING THE UNITED KINGDOM.

NEITHER THE FACT THAT A REGISTRATION STATEMENT OR AN APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE HAS BEEN FILED UNDER CHAPTER 421-B OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE REVISED STATUTES WITH THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE NOR THE FACT THAT A SECURITY IS EFFECTIVELY REGISTERED OR A PERSON IS LICENSED IN THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CONSTITUTES A FINDING BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE THAT ANY DOCUMENT FILED UNDER RSA 421-B IS TRUE, COMPLETE AND NOT MISLEADING. NEITHER ANY SUCH FACT NOR THE FACT THAT AN EXEMPTION OR EXCEPTION IS AVAILABLE FOR A SECURITY OR A TRANSACTION MEANS THAT THE SECRETARY OF STATE HAS PASSED IN ANY WAY UPON THE MERITS OR QUALIFICATIONS OF OR RECOMMENDED OR GIVEN APPROVAL TO, ANY PERSON, SECURITY OR TRANSACTION. IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE, OR CAUSE TO BE MADE, TO ANY PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER, CUSTOMER, OR CLIENT ANY REPRESENTATION INCONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PARAGRAPH.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR AND THE OFFER OR SALE OF NOTES MAY BE RESTRICTED BY LAW IN CERTAIN JURISDICTIONS. NONE OF THE ISSUER, THE CO-ISSUER, THE SERVICER OR THE INITIAL PURCHASER REPRESENTS THAT THIS DOCUMENT MAY BE LAWFULLY DISTRIBUTED, OR THAT ANY NOTES MAY BE LAWFULLY OFFERED, IN COMPLIANCE WITH ANY APPLICABLE REGISTRATION OR OTHER REQUIREMENTS IN ANY SUCH JURISDICTION, OR PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION AVAILABLE THEREUNDER, OR ASSUME ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR FACILITATING ANY SUCH DISTRIBUTION OR OFFERING. IN PARTICULAR, NO ACTION HAS BEEN TAKEN BY THE ISSUER, THE CO-ISSUER, THE SERVICER OR THE INITIAL PURCHASER WHICH WOULD PERMIT A PUBLIC OFFERING OF ANY NOTES OR DISTRIBUTION OF THIS DOCUMENT IN ANY JURISDICTION WHERE ACTION FOR THAT PURPOSE IS REQUIRED. ACCORDINGLY, NO NOTES MAY BE OFFERED OR SOLD, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, AND NEITHER THIS OFFERING CIRCULAR NOR ANY ADVERTISEMENT OR OTHER OFFERING MATERIAL MAY BE DISTRIBUTED OR PUBLISHED IN ANY JURISDICTION, EXCEPT UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES THAT WILL RESULT IN COMPLIANCE WITH ANY APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS. PERSONS INTO WHOSE POSSESSION THIS OFFERING CIRCULAR OR ANY NOTES COME MUST INFORM THEMSELVES ABOUT AND OBSERVE ANY SUCH RESTRICTIONS.

THE TRUSTEE AND ITS AFFILIATES HAVE NOT PARTICIPATED IN THE PREPARATION OF THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR AND DO NOT ASSUME ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR ITS CONTENTS.

#### **AVAILABLE INFORMATION**

To permit compliance with Rule 144A under the Securities Act for resales of Notes, the Co-Issuers will make available to Holders and prospective purchasers who request such information, the information required to be delivered under Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act if at the time of the request either the Issuer or the Co-Issuer is not a reporting company under Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act or if either the Issuer or the Co-Issuer is not exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act. Copies of all such documents may be obtained free of charge from the office of the Trustee or the Irish Paying Agent. Neither of the Co-Issuers expects to become such a reporting company or to be so exempt from reporting.

## CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR SUMMARY

The following summary is qualified in its entirety by reference to the more detailed information appearing elsewhere in this Confidential Offering Circular and the documents referred to herein. A glossary (the "**Glossary**") of certain defined terms used herein appears as Annex A to this Confidential Offering Circular.

### The Issuer

Rockwall CDO Ltd., a recently formed limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the "**Issuer**"). The activities of the Issuer will be limited to (i) the acquisition and disposition of Portfolio Collateral and other assets permitted by the Indenture, (ii) the issuance of the Notes, which will be secured by the Portfolio Collateral and certain other assets pledged by the Issuer under the Indenture, (iii) the issuance of the Preferred Shares, and (iv) other activities incidental to the foregoing, including the ownership of 100% of the stock of the Co-Issuer.

### The Co-Issuer

Rockwall CDO (Delaware) Corp., a recently formed Delaware corporation (the "**Co-Issuer**" and, together with the Issuer, the "**Co-Issuers**"). The Co-Issuer will have no substantial assets.

### Securities Offered

U.S.\$538,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Class A-1LA Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 1, 2021 (the "**Class A-1LA Notes**"), U.S. \$96,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Class A-1LB Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 1, 2021 (the "**Class A-1LB Notes**" and, together with the Class A-1LA Notes, the "**Class A-1L Notes**") U.S.\$76,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Class A-2L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 1, 2021 (the "**Class A-2L Notes**" and, with the Class A-1L Notes, the "**Senior Class A Notes**"), U.S.\$36,500,000 aggregate principal amount of Class A-3L Floating Rate Notes Extendable Due August 1, 2021 (the "**Class A-3L Notes**"), U.S. \$10,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Class A-4L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 1, 2021 (the "**Class A-4L Notes**" and, with the Senior Class A Notes and the Class A-3L Notes, the "**Class A Notes**"), U.S.\$21,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Class B-1L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 1, 2021 (the "**Class B-1L Notes**") and U.S.\$14,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Class X Floating Rate Notes Due August 1, 2013 (the "**Class X Notes**" and, together with the Class B-1L Notes and the Class A Notes, the "**Notes**").

The Notes will be issued on the Closing Date pursuant to an indenture (the "**Indenture**"), to be dated as of May 10, 2006, among the Co-Issuers and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as trustee (the "**Trustee**") and as securities intermediary. **The Notes will be non-recourse obligations of the Co-Issuers and all amounts payable in respect of the Notes will be paid solely from and to the extent of the available proceeds from the Trust Estate. To the extent the assets of the Trust Estate are insufficient to pay all amounts due on the Notes, the Co-Issuers shall have no further obligations in respect of the Notes and any sums outstanding and unpaid shall be extinguished.**

On the Closing Date, the Issuer will also issue its Class I Preferred Shares (the "**Class I Preferred Shares**") and its Class II Preferred Shares (the "**Class II Preferred Shares**" and, together with the Class I Preferred Shares, the "**Preferred Shares**"). The Preferred Shares are not offered hereby. On the Closing Date, Rockwall Investors Corp. ("**Investor Corp.**") is expected to purchase 100% of the Class I Preferred Shares of the Issuer and will issue an equivalent number of its preferred shares to third party investors and



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Final Maturity Date

The August 1, 2021 Payment Date with respect to the Notes (or, in the case of the Class X Notes, the August 1, 2013 Payment Date) or such earlier date as the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Notes is paid in full; *provided that*, the Final Maturity Dates of the Notes (other than the Class X Notes) are extendable upon a Maturity Extension (if any) as described herein, in which case the Final Maturity Date of such Notes will be extended to the applicable Extended Final Maturity Date. See "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date".

Use of Proceeds

The proceeds from the sale of the Notes (the date of such sale being referred to herein as the "**Closing Date**"), together with certain proceeds from the sale of the Preferred Shares will be used by the Issuer (i) to fund the purchase (or the entering into of binding commitments to purchase) of a diversified pool of at least U.S.\$765,000,000 (the "**Initial Portfolio Collateral Amount**") in aggregate principal amount of commercial loans and collateralized loan obligations which will be pledged on the Closing Date as security for the Notes (the "**Initial Portfolio Collateral**" and, together with all other commercial loans and collateralized loan obligations, including synthetic securities, purchased by the Issuer from time to time and pledged to secure the Notes as described herein, the "**Portfolio Collateral**"), (ii) to fund the deposit (the "**Deposit**") in an account with the Trustee (the "**Initial Deposit Account**") on the Closing Date of cash in an amount, which, together with the Initial Portfolio Collateral Amount, is expected as of such date to enable the Issuer to purchase, or commit to purchase, on or before September 10, 2006 (the "**Effective Date**") an Aggregate Principal Amount of Original Portfolio Collateral equal to at least U.S.\$850,000,000 (the "**Required Portfolio Collateral Amount**"), which amount will be held in Eligible Investments pending the purchase of additional Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date, subject to certain restrictions set forth in the Indenture as described below, (iii) to fund the deposit in an account with the Trustee (the "**Expense Reimbursement Account**") on the Closing Date of U.S.\$50,000, which amount will be available for payment from time to time of future expenses of the Issuer pending the receipt of collections in respect of the Portfolio Collateral as described herein, (iv) to fund an account with the Trustee (the "**Closing Expense Account**") on the Closing Date, which will be used to pay fees and other expenses related to the transaction, and (v) an amount equal to U.S.\$1,600,000 to fund a portion of amounts payable by the Issuer on any Payment Date (the "**Reserve Amount**") in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Portfolio Collateral purchased or committed to be purchased on or before the Effective Date is referred to herein as "**Original Portfolio Collateral**." Portfolio Collateral purchased by the Issuer with Collections is referred to herein as "**Additional Portfolio Collateral**," and Portfolio Collateral purchased by the Issuer with Collateral Disposition Proceeds from the disposition of Portfolio Collateral after the Closing Date is referred to herein as "**Substitute Portfolio Collateral**."

Form, Denominations and  
Record Dates

The Notes of each Class offered and sold outside the United States pursuant to Regulation S under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "**Securities Act**"), initially will be evidenced by a temporary global note which will be exchangeable for a permanent global note with respect to such Class as described herein. The Notes sold to Qualified Institutional Buyers (as defined herein) pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act will be issued in book-entry form only through the facilities of The Depository Trust

Company.

Subject to the foregoing, the Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$200,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1 in excess thereof. No Notes will be issued in bearer form. The Notes are subject to certain restrictions on transfer. The record date (the "**Record Date**") for each Payment Date (including the Final Maturity Date) (as each such term is defined below) is the Business Day immediately preceding such Payment Date; *provided, however*, if Definitive Notes are issued, the Record Date for such Definitive Notes shall be the fifteenth calendar day preceding such Payment Date.

#### Class A-1L Notes

*General.* The Co-Issuers expect to issue approximately U.S.\$538,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of Class A-1LA Notes and U.S. \$96,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of Class A-1LB Notes, each to be secured by the Portfolio Collateral pursuant to the Indenture.

*Interest.* The Class A-1L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest ("**Periodic Interest**" with respect to the Class A-1L Notes) (to the extent of funds available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period (as defined herein) at the rate of 0.30% with respect to the Class A-1LA Notes and 0.50% with respect to the Class A-1LB Notes, *per annum* above the London interbank offered rate for three-month U.S. dollar deposits (or, for the period from the Closing Date to the first Payment Date, as described herein) ("**LIBOR**") (determined as described herein) (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class A-1LA Notes and Class A-1LB Notes, respectively) on the 1st day of November, February, May and August of each year or, if any such day is not a Business Day, then on the next succeeding Business Day (each such date, a "**Payment Date**"), commencing on November 1, 2006. Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed. Payments of interest to the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Payment will be payable *pari passu* among the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes as described herein.

*Principal.* No principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-1L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of an Initial Deposit Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-1L Notes as described herein. On each Payment Date with respect to the Amortization Period, the principal of the Class A-1L Notes will be payable (to the extent of funds available therefor and in the order of priority described herein) first to the Class A-1LA Notes and then to the Class A-1LB Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes has been paid in full. The Class A-1LB Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Class A-1LA Notes to the extent described herein. In addition, all payments of principal on the Class A-1LA Notes that are made in connection with an Initial Deposit Redemption, a Rating Confirmation Failure, a Tax Event Redemption or an Optional Redemption will be paid on a *pro rata* basis with the Class X Notes as described herein. All outstanding principal of the Class A-1L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date.

#### Class A-2L Notes

*General.* The Co-Issuers expect to issue approximately U.S.\$76,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of Class A-2L Notes to be secured by the

Portfolio Collateral pursuant to the Indenture.

***Interest.* No interest will be payable in respect of the Class A-2L Notes on any Payment Date unless the Holders of the Class A-1L Notes have been paid the Cumulative Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date, the Holders of the Class X Notes have been paid the Cumulative Class X Payment due to them on such Payment Date and, in the case of the Final Maturity Date, until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full.**

The Class A-2L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest ("**Periodic Interest**" with respect to the Class A-2L Notes) (to the extent of funds available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the rate of 0.65% *per annum* above LIBOR (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class A-2L Notes) on each Payment Date, commencing on the November 1, 2006 Payment Date. Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed.

***Principal.*** No principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-2L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption (in whole or in part) of the Class A-2L Notes. In connection with a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption, a Total Optional Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption, no principal in respect of the Class A-2L Notes will be payable until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes (other than with respect to a Special Redemption or an O/C Redemption) have been paid in full. On each Payment Date with respect to the Amortization Period after the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full, principal of the Class A-2L Notes will be payable (to the extent of funds available therefor and in the order of priority described herein) until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2L Notes has been paid in full. All outstanding principal of the Class A-2L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date. The Class A-2L Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes to the extent described herein.

#### Class A-3L Notes

***General.*** The Co-Issuers expect to issue approximately U.S.\$36,500,000 in aggregate principal amount of Class A-3L Notes to be secured by the Portfolio Collateral pursuant to the Indenture.

***Interest.* No interest will be payable on the Class A-3L Notes on any Payment Date unless the Holders of the Class A-1L Notes and the Class A-2L Notes have been paid the Cumulative Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date, the Holders of the Class X Notes have been paid the Cumulative Class X Payment due to them on such Payment Date, and, in the case of the Final Maturity Date, until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Senior Class A Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full.**

The Class A-3L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest ("**Periodic Interest**" with respect to the Class A-3L Notes) (to the extent of funds available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest

Accrual Period at the rate of 1.40% *per annum* above LIBOR (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class A-3L Notes) on each Payment Date commencing on the November 1, 2006 Payment Date. The failure to pay in full Periodic Interest on the Class A-3L Notes as a result of insufficient funds being available therefor will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Senior Class A Notes or Class X Notes are Outstanding. Any shortfall in the payment of Periodic Interest to the Class A-3L Notes on any Payment Date will be payable, together with interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate, on one or more subsequent Payment Dates (to the extent funds are available therefor and subject to the priority of distribution provisions described herein). Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed.

*Principal.* No principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-3L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-3L Notes. On each Payment Date with respect to the Amortization Period after the Class A-1L Notes, Class A-2L Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full, principal of the Class A-3L Notes will be payable (to the extent of funds available therefor and in the order of priority described herein) until the Payment Date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes has been paid in full. In connection with a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption, a Total Optional Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption, no principal in respect of the Class A-3L Notes will be payable until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes, the Class A-2L Notes and (other than with respect to an O/C Redemption or a Special Redemption) the Class X Notes have been paid in full. All outstanding principal of the Class A-3L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date. The Class A-3L Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Senior Class A Notes and the Class X Notes to the extent described herein.

#### Class A-4L Notes

*General.* The Co-Issuers expect to issue approximately U.S.\$10,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of Class A-4L Notes to be secured by the Portfolio Collateral pursuant to the Indenture.

*Interest.* **No interest will be payable on the Class A-4L Notes on any Payment Date unless the Holders of the Class A-1L Notes and the Class A-2L Notes have been paid the Cumulative Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date, the Holders of the Class A-3L Notes have been paid the Periodic Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date, the Holders of the Class X Notes have been paid the Cumulative Class X Payment due to them on such Payment Date, and, in the case of the Final Maturity Date, until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-3L Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full.**

The Class A-4L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest ("**Periodic Interest**" with respect to the Class A-4L Notes) (to the extent of funds available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the rate of 1.70% *per annum* above LIBOR (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class A-4L Notes) on each Payment Date commencing on the November 1, 2006 Payment Date. The failure to pay in full Periodic Interest on the Class A-4L Notes as a result of

insufficient funds being available therefor will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-3L Notes or Class X Notes are Outstanding. Any shortfall in the payment of Periodic Interest to the Class A-4L Notes on any Payment Date will be payable, together with interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate, on one or more subsequent Payment Dates (to the extent funds are available therefor and subject to the priority of distribution provisions described herein). Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed.

*Principal.* No principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-4L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-4L Notes. On each Payment Date with respect to the Amortization Period after the Class A-1L Notes, Class A-2L Notes, Class A-3L Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full, principal of the Class A-4L Notes will be payable (to the extent of funds available therefor and in the order of priority described herein) until the Payment Date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-4L Notes has been paid in full. In connection with a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption, a Total Optional Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption, no principal in respect of the Class A-4L Notes will be payable until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, Class A-3L Notes and (other than with respect to an O/C Redemption or a Special Redemption) the Class X Notes have been paid in full. All outstanding principal of the Class A-4L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date. The Class A-4L Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-3L Notes and the Class X Notes to the extent described herein.

#### Class B-1L Notes

*General.* The Co-Issuers expect to issue approximately U.S.\$21,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of Class B-1L Notes to be secured by the Portfolio Collateral pursuant to the Indenture.

***Interest.* No interest will be payable on the Class B-1L Notes on any Payment Date unless the Holders of the Class A-1L Notes and the Class A-2L Notes have been paid the Cumulative Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date, the Holders of the Class A-3L Notes and the Class A-4L Notes have been paid the Periodic Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date, the Holders of the Class X Notes have been paid the Cumulative Class X Payment due to them on such Payment Date, the Overcollateralization Tests with respect to the Class A Notes and the Interest Coverage Test have been satisfied, and, in the case of the Final Maturity Date, until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full.**

The Class B-1L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest ("Periodic Interest" with respect to the Class B-1L Notes) (to the extent funds are available therefor and in the order of priority described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the rate of 2.25% *per annum* above LIBOR (the "Applicable Periodic Rate" with respect to the Class B-1L Notes) on each Payment Date commencing on the November 1, 2006 Payment Date. The failure to pay in full Periodic Interest on the Class B-1L Notes as a result of insufficient funds being available therefor will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Class A Notes or Class X Notes

are Outstanding. Any shortfall in the payment of Periodic Interest to the Class B-1L Notes on any Payment Date will be payable, together with interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate, on one or more subsequent Payment Dates (to the extent that funds are available therefor and subject to the priority of distribution provisions described herein). Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed.

*Principal.* No principal will be payable in respect of the Class B-1L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full, except with respect to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement. Principal payments are not expected to begin until the commencement of the Amortization Period (except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class B-1L Notes or in connection with the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement) and are to continue until the Payment Date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes has been paid in full. In connection with a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption, a Total Optional Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption, no principal in respect of the Class B-1L Notes will be payable until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes and (other than with respect to an O/C Redemption or a Special Redemption) the Class X Notes have been paid in full. All outstanding principal of the Class B-1L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date. The Class B-1L Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Class A Notes and the Class X Notes to the extent described herein.

#### Class X Notes

*General.* The Co-Issuers expect to issue approximately U.S.\$14,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of Class X Notes to be secured by the Portfolio Collateral pursuant to the Indenture.

*Class X Payment.* The Class X Notes will provide for a periodic payment (the "**Class X Interest Payment**") (to the extent of funds available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the rate of 0.36% per annum above LIBOR (the "**Class X Periodic Interest Rate**") on each Payment Date, commencing on the November 1, 2006 Payment Date through and including the August 1, 2013 Payment Date. Such amount may be reduced in connection with a redemption of the Class X Notes, as set forth in the Indenture. Any shortfall in the payment of the Class X Payment to the Class X Notes on any Payment Date will be payable, together with interest thereon at the Class X Periodic Interest Rate, on one or more subsequent Payment Dates (to the extent funds are available therefor and subject to the priority of distribution provisions described herein). Any such interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed. Payments of interest to the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Payment will be payable *pari passu* among the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes as described herein.

Payments of principal on the Class X Notes that are made in connection with an Initial Deposit Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption, an Optional Redemption or a Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption will be paid on a *pro rata* basis with the Class A-1LA Notes as described herein. The Class X Notes are not subject to an O/C Redemption or a Special Redemption. The Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class X Notes will be reduced on each Payment Date by the Class X Principal Payment for such Payment Date beginning on November 1, 2007, in accordance with the amortization

schedule provided in the Indenture. The Class X Principal Payment will be made from available Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections. The Holders of the Class X Notes are entitled to receive the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class X Notes on the Final Maturity Date, whether such Final Maturity Date occurs in connection with a redemption of the Class X Notes as described herein or otherwise.

Application of Funds

On each Payment Date and on the Final Maturity Date, Collateral Interest Collections and Collateral Principal Collections, to the extent of Available Funds in the Collection Account, will be applied by the Trustee in the manner and order of priority set forth herein under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions."

Overcollateralization Tests

The "**Overcollateralization Tests**" are applicable until the Notes are retired and all amounts payable in respect thereof are paid, and are satisfied if the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class A Overcollateralization Percentage (the "**Class A Overcollateralization Test**") and the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Percentage (the "**Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test**").

Applicability of Overcollateralization Tests

At any time that any of the Notes are Outstanding, if on any Calculation Date related to a Payment Date any Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, amounts that are junior in right of payment to such Overcollateralization Test, as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", will be applied to the redemption of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes (or, in the case of the Class B-1L Notes, first to pay accrued and unpaid interest from prior Payment Dates, then to pay principal) until each such Class is paid in full, in the order and according to the priorities described herein, to the extent necessary to satisfy such Overcollateralization Test, in accordance with the provisions described herein. In addition, generally, satisfaction or, in certain cases, maintenance of the Overcollateralization Tests is a condition to the purchase or sale of Portfolio Collateral during certain specified periods.

Interest Coverage Test

The "**Interest Coverage Test**" is applicable on each Payment Date after the second Payment Date and on certain measurement dates after the second Payment Date, and is satisfied if the Interest Coverage Ratio (as described under "Description of the Notes—Interest Coverage Test") is at least 1.5%.

Applicability of Interest Coverage Test

At any time after the second Payment Date, if on any Calculation Date related to a Payment Date the Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, amounts that are junior in right of payment to the Interest Coverage Test as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", will be applied to the redemption of the Class A Notes until each such Class is paid in full, in the order and according to the priorities described herein, to the extent necessary to satisfy the Interest Coverage Test in accordance with the provisions described herein. In addition, satisfaction of the Interest Coverage Test on the prior Payment Date is a condition to certain purchases and sales of Portfolio Collateral during certain specified periods as described herein.

Additional Collateral  
Deposit Requirement

As described under "Description of the Notes—Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement," even if the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test are satisfied, on each Payment Date after the second Payment Date, Collateral Interest Collections that would otherwise be used for payments that are junior in right of payment to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", will be applied (i) during the Revolving Period, to the payment of principal of the Class B-1L Notes and to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral, as described herein, and (ii) during the Amortization Period, to the payment of principal of the Class B-1L Note and to the payment of principal of each Class of Notes, in each case, in the order and according to the priorities described herein, in an amount equal to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement as described herein.

Rating Confirmation Failure

The Issuer will request that each Rating Agency confirm after the Effective Date that it has not reduced or withdrawn (and not restored) the ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes (a "**Rating Confirmation**"). If the Issuer is unable to obtain a Rating Confirmation by the 35th day after the Effective Date (a "**Rating Confirmation Failure**"), on the next Payment Date and on each subsequent Payment Date during the Revolving Period, amounts that are junior in right of payment to such Rating Confirmation Failure, as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", will be applied to the redemption of the Notes (or, in the case of the Class B-1L Notes, first to pay accrued and unpaid interest from prior Payment Dates, then to pay principal) until each such Class is paid in full, in the order and according to the priorities described herein (a "**Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption**"), to the extent necessary to receive a Rating Confirmation, in accordance with the provisions described herein.

O/C Redemption

If on the Calculation Date related to any Payment Date any Overcollateralization Test or, after the second Payment Date, the Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, amounts that are junior in right of payment to such test as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", will be applied by the Issuer to the redemption of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes (or, in the case of the Class B-1L Notes, first to pay accrued and unpaid interest from prior Payment Dates, then to pay principal) until each such Class is paid in full, in each case on a *pro rata* basis among the Noteholders of the applicable Class and in the order and according to the priorities described herein (an "**O/C Redemption**") to the extent necessary to satisfy the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test, as applicable. See "Description of the Notes—O/C Redemption." A redemption of the Notes through a Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption or an O/C Redemption is sometimes referred to herein as a "**Mandatory Redemption**." The Class X Notes are not subject to O/C Redemption, but are subject to Rating Confirmation Failure.

Initial Deposit Redemption

To the extent that the full amount of the Deposit is not used to purchase or commit to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral having an Aggregate Principal Amount (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to the Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date) at least equal to the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount in accordance with the guidelines described herein on or before the



Effective Date, an amount (not in excess of the unused amount of the Deposit) equal to the difference between the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount and the par amount of Portfolio Collateral actually acquired (or committed to be acquired) (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to the Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date) will be applied by the Issuer on the November 2006 Payment Date (the "**Initial Deposit Redemption Date**") to principal payments of the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class X Notes, on a *pro rata* basis (an "**Initial Deposit Redemption**"), except, if the amount of the Deposit not so used to purchase or commit to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral does not exceed U.S.\$2,000,000 in the aggregate, such amount will be transferred to the Collection Account on the Effective Date and applied as Collateral Principal Collections. See "Description of the Notes—Initial Deposit Redemption."

Special Redemption

The Notes (other than the Class X Notes) are redeemable in part at the option of the Issuer, as directed by and at the discretion of the Servicer, on one or more Payment Dates during the Revolving Period, to the extent the Issuer is unable to reinvest more than U.S.\$2,000,000 of principal collections in Additional Portfolio Collateral selected by the Servicer and satisfying the criteria described herein for at least ninety days after receipt, in an amount of at least U.S.\$2,000,000. See "Description of the Notes—Special Redemption."

Optional Redemption

The Notes are redeemable in whole or in part (an "**Optional Redemption**") at the option of the Issuer at the direction of (i) at least 75% of the Preferred Shares eligible to vote (including any Class II Preferred Shares held by Highland Financial Partners L.P. or an affiliate or subsidiary thereof ("**HFP**") and any other Preferred Shares held by the Servicer, entities affiliated with the Servicer or clients of the Servicer (collectively, the "**Servicer Entities**") up to a maximum amount equal to the amount of Class II Preferred Shares acquired by HFP on the Closing Date ("**Original HFP Share Amount**"), but excluding any other Preferred Shares beneficially owned or controlled by the Servicer Entities which shall be deemed ineligible to vote) in the case of an Optional Redemption in whole (a "**Total Optional Redemption**"), and (ii) at least 10% of the Preferred Shares eligible to vote (any Class II Preferred Shares held by HFP or any other Preferred Shares beneficially owned or controlled by any other Servicer Entities shall be deemed ineligible to vote) in the case of an Optional Redemption in part (a "**Partial Optional Redemption**"), in the case of either (i) or (ii) above on any Payment Date on or after the Payment Date occurring on August 1, 2010 (the "**Optional Redemption Date**," which date shall then be considered the Final Maturity Date in the case of a Total Optional Redemption at a price equal to the Optional Redemption Price. See "Description of the Notes—Optional Redemption."

Tax Event Redemption

The Notes are redeemable, at the option of the Issuer, acting at the direction of at least a Majority of the Preferred Shares or a majority of the Controlling Class (but only if the Aggregate Principal Balance of Portfolio Collateral is less than 100% of the Class A-1L Notes) (a "**Tax Event Redemption**"), in whole but not in part, at a price equal to the Tax Event Redemption Price if as a result of a change in tax law, rule or regulation or the interpretation thereof, the payments to be received on the Portfolio Collateral are reduced as a result of the imposition of withholding tax or the Issuer is otherwise subjected to tax such that the income of the Issuer is reduced in an amount determined by such Holders of the Preferred Shares to be material. See "Description of the

## Notes—Tax Event Redemption."

Amendment Buy-Out

In the case of any supplemental indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of the Notes or Preferred Shares, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from all Non-Consenting Holders all Notes and Preferred Shares held by such Holders whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture, with certain exceptions as set forth in "Legal Structure—The Indenture; Amendment Buy-Out" (the "**Amendment Buy-Out Option**") for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all Notes and Preferred Shares of Non-Consenting Holders (an "**Amendment Buy-Out**"). By its acceptance of a Note or Preferred Share, each such Holder agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its Notes or Preferred Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser. See "Legal Structure—The Indenture; Amendment Buy-Out."

All purchases made pursuant to the Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Notes set forth in "Delivery of the Notes; Transfer Restrictions; Settlement" herein and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

Security for the Notes

The Notes are non-recourse obligations of the Co-Issuers, with recourse therefor limited solely to any funds and other assets available in the Trust Estate, including the Portfolio Collateral and the proceeds therefrom. All payments on the Notes are subject to the priority of distribution provisions described herein.

The Notes will be secured by the Trust Estate, consisting of substantially all property of the Issuer, including the Portfolio Collateral, the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Expense Account, the Reserve Account, each Default Swap Collateral Account and the Default Swap Issuer Account (collectively, the "**Trust Estate**"). The security interest granted under the Indenture in each Default Swap Collateral Account is subject to and subordinate to the security interest and rights of the relevant Default Swap Counterparty in and to such Default Swap Collateral Account and the security interest granted under the Indenture in the Default Swap Issuer Account is subject to the rights of the relevant Default Swap Counterparty to the extent described in the related Default Swap. References to the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Expense Account, the Reserve Account, the Default Swap Collateral Account and the Default Swap Issuer Account, when used with respect to the contents of the Trust Estate, shall include all proceeds of such Accounts and all Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in such Accounts.

Portfolio Collateral  
and Deposit

The Portfolio Collateral will consist of United States dollar denominated commercial loans and collateralized loan obligations, including synthetic securities, that are rated primarily below investment grade issued by corporations, partnerships, limited liability companies or trusts. Interests in commercial loans included in the Portfolio Collateral, which may be in the form of participations and assignments, are referred to herein as "**Portfolio Loans**" and the collateralized loan obligations included in the Portfolio

Collateral are referred to herein as "**CLO Securities**." See "Security for the Notes—Portfolio Collateral—General."

The Issuer will acquire all of the Initial Portfolio Collateral from various sources, including Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., in each case, at negotiated prices acceptable to the Issuer. Between the Closing Date and the Effective Date, purchases of additional Original Portfolio Collateral from the Deposit together with the Initial Portfolio Collateral will be required to meet the criteria described herein. See "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral."

During the Revolving Period, certain collections and disposition proceeds in respect of Portfolio Collateral may be applied to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral, respectively, subject to satisfaction of the collateral criteria described herein and the satisfaction or, in certain cases, maintenance of the Overcollateralization Tests and, after the second Payment Date, the Interest Coverage Test. In addition, after the Revolving Period, certain limited collections and certain disposition proceeds in respect of Portfolio Collateral may be applied to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral and Substitute Portfolio Collateral subject to satisfaction of the Overcollateralization Tests, the Interest Coverage Test and the collateral criteria contained herein. The Indenture also authorizes the Servicer to direct the Trustee to sell items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, Equity Portfolio Collateral, Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral and other items of Portfolio Collateral, subject to the limitations set forth therein and described herein under "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral," "The Servicer" and "The Servicing Agreement." During any Due Period when certain collections are to be used to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral, the Servicer generally will have the authority to commence the purchase of such Additional Portfolio Collateral if collections have been or are scheduled to be received during such Due Period in an amount at least equal to the sum of the Periodic Reserve Amount.

Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, no item of Portfolio Collateral may be disposed of, and no item of Portfolio Collateral may be acquired, for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. See "Security for the Notes—Portfolio Collateral—General."

Extension of the Revolving Period  
and the Final Maturity Date

The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date up to a maximum of four times (so that the Notes can only be extended to 2037) to extend the Revolving Period to the applicable Extended Revolving Period End Date if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously affected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date, (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied, (iii) the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Revolving Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date and (iv) no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing. For purposes of the foregoing, "**Extension Effective Date**" means if an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extension Effective Date (or, in the case of the first Extension Effective Date, the Payment Date in August 2011) and "**Extended Revolving Period End Date**" means, if an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Revolving Period End Date (or, in the case of the first Extension,

the Payment Date in August 2015). If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Final Maturity Date of the Notes (other than the Class X Notes) shall be extended to the related Extended Final Maturity Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of the Notes or the Preferred Shares or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or any other transaction document (the "**Maturity Extension**"). For purposes of the foregoing, "**Extended Final Maturity Date**" means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Final Maturity Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Final Maturity Date, the Payment Date in August 2025) and "**Extended Weighted Average Life Date**" means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Weighted Average Life Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Weighted Average Life Date, May 1, 2019); *provided* that if the Extension Conditions are not satisfied because the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes have failed to deliver an Extension Sale Notice or have failed to provide their written consent to the related Maturity Extension, then the Servicer may exceed seven Business Days after the then proposed Extension Effective Date) if the Servicer shall cause the Extension Conditions set forth in clause (v) of such definition to be satisfied as of such later date. As a condition to a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes (other than the Class X Notes) will have the right to offer to sell their Notes to one or more Extension Qualifying Purchasers for purchase on the applicable Extension Effective Date. If all Extension Conditions are satisfied and a Maturity Extension is effected, each Holder of such Notes, other than Extension Sale Securities will be entitled to receive the applicable Extension Bonus Payment, in each case to the extent of available funds and as provided in the priority of payments. Holders of Preferred Shares will not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment. The obligation to make any Extension Bonus Payment shall not be rated by the Rating Agencies. See "Special Considerations—A Maturity Extension," "Maturity and Prepayment Considerations," "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date". The Class X Notes are not subject to Maturity Extension.

#### Additional Issuance

At any time during the Revolving Period, the Issuer, as applicable, may issue and sell Additional Preferred Shares and use the proceeds therefrom to purchase additional eligible Portfolio Collateral and pay the expenses of such additional issuance (an "**Additional Issuance**"); *provided* that certain conditions precedent specified in the Indenture (as described herein) are satisfied. See "Description of the Notes—Additional Issuance." Any amendment to the Indenture, Issuer's Memorandum of Association and Articles of Association or any other related documents required to provide for or facilitate such Additional Issuance will not require the consent of the Holders of Securities.

#### Accounts

All Collections (together with any income thereon) will be remitted to the Trustee and deposited into the Collection Account and will be available, to the extent described herein, for application in the manner and for the purposes as described herein. Funds held in the Collection Account that are not used to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral will be applied as promptly as practicable to purchase Eligible Investments. All cash pledged to the Trustee on the Closing Date which is to be subsequently used to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date will be deposited into the Initial Deposit Account. Funds held in the Initial Deposit Account pending application to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral will be held

in Eligible Investments at the direction of the Issuer. A Closing Expense Account will be established by the Trustee for the payment of fees, commissions and expenses associated with the issuance of the Notes. A Reserve Account will be established by the Trustee to fund a portion of the payments to be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments, or to otherwise fund any payments of interest or principal on the Notes at the direction of the Servicer. An Expense Reimbursement Account of U.S.\$50,000 will be established by the Trustee for the payment of Issuer administrative expenses which become due and must be paid between Payment Dates. Any amounts withdrawn from the Expense Reimbursement Account will be reimbursed on each Payment Date in accordance with the priority of distribution provisions described herein. The Trustee will establish a Loan Funding Account into which certain amounts with respect to any Delayed Drawdown Loans and Revolving Bank Loans will be deposited. The Trustee will establish the Default Swap Collateral Account to which Default Swap Collateral will be credited for the benefit of the related Default Swap Counterparties. In addition, if the terms of any Default Swap require the related Default Swap Counterparty to secure its obligations with respect to such Default Swap, the Trustee will cause to be established a Default Swap Issuer Account in respect of such Default Swap. Funds held in such Accounts will be held in Eligible Investments. See "Security for the Notes—Accounts."

The Servicer

Highland Capital Management, L.P. (the "**Servicer**" or "**Highland**"), will service the Portfolio Collateral and perform certain other reporting functions pursuant to a servicing agreement with the Issuer (the "**Servicing Agreement**"). See "The Servicer" and "The Servicing Agreement."

It is expected that Highland Financial Partners, L.P. or an affiliate or subsidiary thereof ("**HFP**") will purchase approximately 45,000,000 Class II Preferred Shares of the Issuer on the Closing Date, representing approximately 58% of the total Preferred Shares outstanding (the "**Original HFP Share Amount**"). It is also expected that Highland will purchase approximately 10,000,000 of the preferred shares of Investor Corp. and approximately U.S.\$2,000,000 Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes on the Closing Date. In addition, the Servicer Entities may also acquire Notes or Preferred Shares upon the occurrence of an Amendment Buy-Out or a Maturity Extension as described herein. See "Special Considerations—Conflicts of Interest," "Special Considerations—Amendment Buy-Out Risk," "Special Considerations—Amendment Buy-Out Risk," "Legal Structure—The Indenture; Amendment Buy-Out," "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date" and "The Servicing Agreement."

The Trustee

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as Trustee under the Indenture. The Trustee maintains its principal corporate trust offices at 600 Travis Street, 50th Floor, Houston, Texas 77002, at which the Notes may be surrendered for payment or for transfer or exchange.

Independent Accountants

A firm of Independent Accountants as selected by the Servicer, or any successor accounting firm selected pursuant to the Indenture, will periodically perform certain procedures with respect to the Portfolio Collateral and the compliance with the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test as required by the Indenture.

The Administrator

Maples Finance Limited (the "**Administrator**") will act as administrator for the Issuer in the Cayman Islands and will perform certain administrative services on behalf of the Issuer. The Administrator maintains its offices at

P.O. Box 1093 GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands.

Option to Acquire Credit  
Enhancement

The Indenture will provide that Holders of any Class of Notes may elect to acquire bond insurance, a surety bond or similar credit enhancement supporting the payment of principal and/or interest on such Class of Notes, on terms and conditions acceptable to such Holders. Any Class of Notes subject to such enhancement will be designated as Insured Notes of such Class. Premiums for any such enhancement will be payable from amounts otherwise payable to such Class of Insured Notes or in such other manner chosen by such Holder. Any Insured Notes of a Class for substantially all other purposes will be treated as Notes of such Class, except that the issuer of the bond insurance policy, surety bond or other such credit enhancement will generally be deemed to be the Holder of the Notes of such Class enhanced by such entity and will in such capacity be entitled to exercise the rights otherwise exercisable by Holders of such Notes.

Certain Federal Income  
Tax Consequences

*Federal Income Tax Consequences to U.S. Holders of Notes.* The Notes should be treated as debt of the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes. Under rules applicable to original issue discount, a U.S. Holder of a Class A-3L Note, a Class A-4L Note or a Class B-1L Note may need to include all stated interest as original issue discount in gross income as it accrues according to a constant yield method based on daily compounding, regardless of such Holder's method of accounting. See "Certain Tax Considerations."

*Federal Income Tax Consequences to Non-U.S. Holders.* A Non-U.S. Holder that has no connection with the United States other than holding its Note will not be subject to United States federal withholding tax or income tax on payments of principal and interest (including original issue discount) in respect of a Note. See "Certain Tax Considerations—Non-U.S. Holders."

*Federal Income Tax Consequences to the Issuer.* The Issuer generally expects not to be subject to United States federal withholding tax (*provided* certain tax representations are made) or income tax on interest income (including original issue discount) or gain from the Portfolio Collateral or the Eligible Investments. See "Certain Tax Considerations."

Certain ERISA Considerations

Fiduciaries and other persons investing "plan assets" of employee benefit or other plans subject to Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("**ERISA**"), or Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "**Code**") (each, a "**Plan**"), should consider the fiduciary investment standards and prohibited transaction rules of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code before authorizing an investment of "plan assets" of any Plan in the Notes. Each person purchasing a Class X Note, a Class A-1LA Note, a Class A-1LB Note, a Class A-2L Note, a Class A-3L Note or a Class A-4L Note will be deemed to have made certain representations regarding the prohibited transaction rules of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code. The Class B-1L Notes may not be sold or transferred to any Plan, or to any person acting on behalf of or with "plan assets" of any Plan, including an insurance company general account, unless the purchaser or transferee is eligible for the exemptive relief available under PTCE 96-23, 95-60, 91-38, 90-1 or 84-14. See "Certain ERISA Considerations."

Legal Investment

Institutions whose investment activities are subject to legal investment laws and regulations or to review by certain regulatory authorities may be subject to conditions on investment in the Notes. See "Certain Legal Investment

Considerations."

#### Rating of Notes

It is a condition to the issuance of the Notes that the Class X Notes, the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class A-1LB Notes be rated "AAA" by Standard & Poor's Ratings Services ("**S&P**") and "Aaa" by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("**Moody's**"), that the Class A-2L Notes be rated at least "AA" by S&P and at least "Aa2" by Moody's, that the Class A-3L Notes be rated at least "A" by S&P and at least "A2" by Moody's, that the Class A-4L Notes be rated at least "A-" by S&P and at least "A3" by Moody's and that the Class B-1L Notes be rated at least "BBB" by S&P and at least "Baa2" by Moody's. Each of S&P and Moody's is sometimes referred to herein as a "**Rating Agency**." Each of the ratings of the Notes described herein assume that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date.

**The ratings of the Notes by S&P address solely the likelihood of timely payment of the Periodic Interest Amount on and the ultimate payment of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Senior Class A Notes, the timely payment of the Class X Payment and the ultimate payment of the Cumulative Interest Amount and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes. The ratings of the Notes by Moody's address the ultimate cash receipt of all required payments as provided by the governing documents, and are based on the expected loss to the Noteholders of each Class relative to the promise of receiving the present value of such payments. Any obligation to make an Extension Bonus Payment will not be rated by the Rating Agencies. A rating is not a recommendation to purchase, hold or sell securities, in as much as such rating does not comment as to market price or suitability for a particular investor and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning rating organization.**

Security ratings are subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning Rating Agency. In the event that any rating initially assigned to the Notes is subsequently lowered for any reason, no person or entity is obligated to provide any additional support or credit enhancement with respect to the Notes, nor will any other remedies be available to Noteholders. The Issuer has not requested a rating on the Notes by any rating agencies other than S&P and Moody's, although data with respect to the Portfolio Collateral may have been provided to other rating agencies solely for informational purposes. There can be no assurance that, if a rating is assigned to the Notes by any other rating agency, such rating will be as high as that assigned by the applicable Rating Agencies.

#### Listing

Application may be made to the Irish Stock Exchange to admit the Notes to the Official List. There can be no assurance that such admission will be granted or maintained.

## SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Prospective Holders of Notes should consider, among other things, the following factors in connection with the purchase of the Notes.

1. Non-recourse Obligations. The Notes will be non-recourse obligations of the Co-Issuers, payable solely from the Portfolio Collateral (including the Portfolio Collateral initially pledged to secure the Notes, as well as Additional Portfolio Collateral and Substitute Portfolio Collateral to be purchased from time to time as described herein), the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account, the Default Swap Collateral Account (subject to the rights of the related Default Swap Counterparty), the Default Swap Issuer Account (subject to the rights of the related Default Swap Counterparty) the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Closing Expense Account, including all proceeds of such Accounts and all Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in such Accounts (collectively, the "**Trust Estate**") pledged to secure the Notes. The Issuer, as a special purpose Cayman Islands company, will have no significant assets other than the Trust Estate. The Co-Issuer will have no substantial assets, and no other person or entity except for the Co-Issuers will be obligated to make any payments on the Notes. Consequently, Holders of the Notes must rely solely upon distributions on the Trust Estate for the payment of amounts payable in respect of the Notes. If distributions on the Trust Estate are insufficient to make payments on the Notes, no other assets of the Issuer or any other person or entity will be available for the payment of the deficiency, the Co-Issuers shall have no further obligation to pay such deficiency, and any sums outstanding and unpaid shall be extinguished.

2. Subordination. The Class A-1LB Notes are subordinated to the Class A-1LA Notes with respect to principal only, to the extent described herein, the Class A-2L Notes are subordinated to the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes, the Class A-3L Notes are subordinated to the Senior Class A Notes and the Class X Notes, the Class A-4L Notes are subordinated to the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-3L Notes and the Class X Notes and the Class B-1L Notes are subordinated to the Class A Notes and the Class X Notes, and, in the case of each Class of Notes, to the payment of certain fees and expenses as described herein. Payments of principal and interest on the Notes are subject to the priority of distribution provisions described herein. The failure to pay interest on the Class A-3L Notes will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Senior Class A Notes or Class X Notes remain Outstanding, the failure to pay interest on the Class A-4L Notes will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Senior Class A Notes, as Class A-3L Notes or Class X Notes remain Outstanding and the failure to pay interest on the Class B-1L Notes will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Class A Notes or Class X Notes remain Outstanding. In addition, in the case of a Default or an Event of Default, so long as any Senior Class A Notes or Class X Notes remain Outstanding, the Holders of such Senior Class A Notes or Class X Notes will generally be entitled to determine the remedies to be exercised under the Indenture. Remedies pursued by the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class X Notes could be adverse to the interests of the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes. Once an Event of Default has occurred and the Notes have been accelerated, Holders of the Class A-2L Notes are not entitled to be paid the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect thereto and the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof unless the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid such amounts in full in cash, Holders of the Class A-3L Notes are not entitled to be paid the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect thereto and the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof unless the Senior Class A Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid such amounts in full in cash, Holders of the Class A-4L Notes are not entitled to be paid the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect thereto and the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof unless the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-3L Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid such amounts in full in cash, and Holders of the Class B-1L Notes are not entitled to be paid the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect thereto and the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof unless the Class A Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid such amounts in full in cash. Notwithstanding such subordination, the Holders of the Class B-1L Notes may be entitled to payments of principal in connection with the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement before the Notes senior thereto receive any payments of principal.

3. Nature of Collateral Pledged to Secure the Notes; Ability to Obtain Additional Portfolio Collateral; Availability of Funds for Subordinate Payments. The Portfolio Collateral pledged to secure the Notes includes commercial loans and collateralized loan obligations of both U.S. and certain non-U.S. obligors rated below investment grade, which have greater credit and liquidity risk than more highly rated obligations, and synthetic securities.



The Portfolio Collateral will consist primarily of senior secured floating rate term commercial loans. Other loans in which the Issuer may invest include unsecured loans, second lien loans, debtor-in-possession financings and delayed drawdown loans and revolving bank loans. Loans are not generally traded on organized exchange markets but rather would typically be traded by banks and other institutional investors engaged in loan syndications. The liquidity of the Portfolio Loans will therefore depend on the liquidity of this market. Trading in loans is subject to delays as transfers may require extensive and customized documentation, the payment of significant fees and the consent of the agent bank or underlying obligor. Furthermore, Portfolio Loans typically provide that the applicable interest rate may be computed by reference to any of several base indices, at the option of the obligor. The interest rates of the Notes generally are calculated by reference to three-month LIBOR as an index. See "—Interest Rate Risk."

The Issuer intends to purchase Participations of Portfolio Loans in certain circumstances. Participations held by the Issuer in a Selling Institution's portion of a Portfolio Loan typically result in a contractual relationship only with such Selling Institution, not with the obligor. The Issuer has the right to receive payments of principal, interest and any fees to which it is entitled only from the Selling Institution selling the Participation and only upon receipt by such Selling Institution of such payments from the obligor. In connection with purchasing Participations, the Issuer generally will have no right to enforce compliance by the obligor with the terms of the related loan agreement, nor any rights of set-off against the obligor and the Issuer may not directly benefit from the collateral supporting the Portfolio Loan in which it has purchased the Participation. As a result, the Issuer will assume the credit risk of both the obligor and the Selling Institution selling the Participation. In the event of the insolvency of such Selling Institution, the Issuer may be treated as a general creditor of such Selling Institution, and may not benefit from any set-off between such Selling Institution and the obligor. When the Issuer holds a Participation in a Portfolio Loan it may not have the right to vote to waive enforcement of any restrictive covenant breached by an obligor or, if the Issuer does not vote as requested by the Selling Institution, it may be subject to repurchase of the Participation at par. Selling Institutions voting in connection with a potential waiver of a restrictive covenant may have interests different from those of the Issuer, and such Selling Institutions may not consider the interests of the Issuer in connection with their votes.

The Issuer will also purchase Assignments. The purchaser of an Assignment typically succeeds to all the rights and obligations of the assignor of the loan and becomes a lender under the loan agreement and other operative agreements relating to the Portfolio Loan. Assignments are, however, arranged through private negotiations between potential assignees and potential assignors, and the rights and obligations acquired by the purchaser of an Assignment may differ from, and be more limited than, those held by the assignor of the loan. In contrast to the rights of the Issuer as an owner of a Participation, the Issuer, as an assignee, will generally have the right to receive directly from the obligor all payments of principal, interest and any fees to which it is entitled. In some Assignments, the obligor may have the right to continue to make payments to the assignor with respect to the assigned portion of the Portfolio Loan. In such a case, the assignor would be obligated to receive such payments as agent for the Issuer and to promptly pay over to the Issuer such amounts as are received. As a purchaser of an Assignment, the Issuer typically will have the same voting rights as other lenders under the applicable loan agreement and will have the right to vote to waive enforcement of breaches of covenants. The Issuer will also have the same rights as other lenders to enforce compliance by the obligor with the terms of the loan agreement, to set-off claims against the obligor and to have recourse to collateral supporting the Portfolio Loan. As a result, the Issuer may not bear the credit risk of the assignor and the insolvency of an assignor of a loan should have little effect on the ability of the Issuer to continue to receive payments of principal, interest or fees from the obligor. The Issuer will, however, assume the credit risk of the obligor. Non-performing Portfolio Loans may require substantial workout negotiations or restructuring that may entail, among other things, a substantial reduction in the interest rate, a substantial write-down of the principal and/or a substantial extension of the amortization and/or maturity date of the Portfolio Loan. Any such reduction, write-down or extension will likely cause a significant decrease in the interest collections on the Portfolio Loans and any such write-down or extension will likely also cause a significant decrease in the principal collections on the Portfolio Loans.

The Portfolio Collateral will also consist of CLO Securities. CLO Securities generally are limited-recourse obligations of the issuer thereof payable solely from the underlying securities of such issuer or proceeds thereof. Consequently, holders of CLO Securities must rely solely on distributions on the underlying securities or proceeds thereof for payment in respect thereof. If distributions on the underlying securities are insufficient to make payments on the CLO Securities, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and following

realization of the underlying assets, the obligations of such issuer to pay such deficiency shall be extinguished. Such underlying securities are expected to consist mainly of loans and other debt instruments, generally rated below investment grade (or of equivalent credit quality). In addition, certain CLO Securities (particularly subordinated CLO Securities) provide that the non payment of interest in cash on such securities will not constitute an event of default in certain circumstances and the holders of such securities will not have available to them any associated default remedies. Interest not paid in cash will generally be capitalized and added to the outstanding principal balance of the related security. Any such deferral will reduce the yield on such CLO Securities. Loan securities may be unsecured and may be subordinated to certain other obligations of the issuer thereof. The lower rating of below investment grade loans reflects a greater possibility that adverse changes in the financial condition of an issuer or in general economic conditions or both may impair the ability of the issuer to make payments of principal or interest. Such Portfolio Collateral may be speculative.

Issuers of CLO Securities may acquire interests in loans and other debt obligations by way of sale, assignment or participation. The purchaser of an assignment typically succeeds to all the rights and obligations of the assigning institution and becomes a lender under the credit agreement with respect to the debt obligation; however, its rights can be more restricted than those of the assigning institution.

CLO Securities are also subject to interest rate risk. The underlying securities of an issuer of CLO Securities may bear interest at a floating rate while the CLO Securities issued by such issuer may bear interest at a fixed rate (or the reverse may be true). As a result, there could be a floating/fixed rate or basis mismatch between such CLO Securities and underlying securities. In addition, there may be a timing mismatch between the CLO Securities and underlying securities that bear interest at a floating rate, as the interest rate on such floating rate underlying securities may adjust more frequently or less frequently, on different dates and based on different indices, than the interest rates on the CLO Securities. As a result of such mismatches, an increase or decrease in the level of the floating rate indices could adversely impact the ability of the issuers thereof to make payments on the CLO Securities.

In order to purchase and hold CLO Securities, the Issuer must satisfy at all times the investor qualifications in the indenture for each such obligation and in applicable securities laws. Generally, such indentures and applicable securities laws require that the Issuer either be a Qualified Institutional Buyer which is also a Qualified Purchaser or that it be a non-U.S. Person (as defined in Regulation S) which is also not a U.S. resident for purposes of the Investment Company Act. There can be no assurance that the Issuer will satisfy these requirements. In the event that the Issuer does not satisfy these requirements at any time, it will not be able to purchase CLO Securities, and it may be required under the underlying indentures for such underlying securities to sell CLO Securities which it previously purchased; any such "forced sale" by the Issuer is likely to be made at a loss.

In addition, a portion of the Portfolio Collateral may consist of Synthetic Securities. With respect to Synthetic Securities, the Issuer will usually have a contractual relationship only with the counterparty of such Synthetic Security, and not the Reference Obligor on the Reference Obligation. The Issuer generally will have no right directly to enforce compliance by the Reference Obligor with the terms of the Reference Obligation nor any rights of set-off against the Reference Obligor, nor have any voting or other consensual rights of ownership with respect to the Reference Obligation. The Issuer will not directly benefit from any collateral supporting the Reference Obligation and will not have the benefit of the remedies that would normally be available to a holder of such Reference Obligation. In addition, in the event of the insolvency of the counterparty, the Issuer will be treated as a general creditor of such counterparty, and will not have any claim of title with respect to the Reference Obligation. Consequently, the Issuer will be subject to the credit risk of the counterparty as well as that of the Reference Obligor. As a result, concentrations of Synthetic Securities entered into with any one counterparty will subject the Notes to an additional degree of risk with respect to defaults by such counterparty as well as by the Reference Obligor. One or more affiliates of the Initial Purchaser may act as counterparty with respect to all or a portion of the Synthetic Securities. These relationships may create certain conflicts of interest. See "—Potential Conflicts of Interest."

All or a portion of the Synthetic Securities are expected to consist of "pay as you go" credit default swaps. The obligation of the Issuer to make payments to the Default Swap Counterparties under the Default Swaps creates credit exposure to the related Reference Obligations (as well as to the default risk of the Default Swap Counterparties). Following the occurrence of a "credit event" with respect to any Reference Obligation (a "**Credit**

**Event**"), the Issuer will be required to pay to the Default Swap Counterparty an amount equal to the relevant "physical settlement amount" in return for the Reference Obligation. The payment of any physical settlement amount will be funded by the Issuer by drawing on amounts standing to the credit of the related Default Swap Collateral Account. In addition, each Default Swap will require the Issuer, in its capacity as protection seller, to pay "floating amounts" to the Default Swap Counterparty equal to any principal shortfalls, writedowns and interest shortfalls under the Reference Obligation upon the occurrence thereof (any such payment, a "**Credit Protection Payment**"). Although the Default Swap Counterparty, in its capacity as protection buyer, will be obligated to reimburse all or part of such Credit Protection Payments to the Issuer if the writedowns of the related shortfalls are ultimately paid to holders of the Reference Obligations or if the related Reference Obligations are written up, the amounts available to the Issuer to make payments in respect of the Notes and Preferred Shares will be reduced after payment by the Issuer of the relevant Credit Protection Payment to the Default Swap Counterparty until the Issuer receives such reimbursement, if any, from the Default Swap Counterparty. Under the Default Swaps, a writedown or failure to pay principal in respect of a Reference Obligation will entitle the Default Swap Counterparty, as protection buyer, to elect whether to require the Issuer to pay a physical settlement amount or a Credit Protection Payment under the related Default Swap.

In certain other circumstances in which a Default Swap may be terminated early, a termination payment may be due to or from the Issuer. If the Issuer is required to make a termination payment to the Default Swap Counterparty, such termination payment may be substantial and may affect the ability of the Issuer to make payments to the Noteholders and to the Holders of the Preferred Shares. Termination payments payable by the Issuer in respect of any Default Swap will include the market value to the Default Swap Counterparty of such terminated Default Swap, which may expose the Issuer to deterioration in the credit of the Reference Obligations and result in losses to the Issuer, even where no Credit Event has occurred. Even if the Default Swap Counterparty is required to make a termination payment to the Issuer, there is no assurance that the amount of such payment would be sufficient such that payments to the Holders of the Notes and the Preferred Shares would not be affected.

It is expected that the Issuer will acquire all of the Initial Portfolio Collateral to be acquired on the Closing Date from various sources, including Bear Stearns, at prices agreed upon by the Issuer with the advice of the Servicer. The price to be paid by the Issuer for such securities may be higher or lower, based on market conditions at the time of purchase by Bear Stearns or such other sources than the prices the Issuer would have paid had such securities all been purchased by such persons on the date such securities were sold to the Issuer. After the Closing Date, the Issuer with the advice of the Servicer may acquire from or through various sources, including Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., Portfolio Collateral at current market prices which will be negotiated by or on behalf of the Issuer at such time. The Indenture does not restrict the ability of the Issuer to invest in Portfolio Collateral on the basis of its market value.

As described herein, the Indenture provides that the Servicer and the Issuer will seek to invest the Deposit in Original Portfolio Collateral having an Aggregate Principal Amount at least equal to the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount no later than the Effective Date, and that during certain specified periods thereafter significant portions of the collections received in respect of the Portfolio Collateral will be used to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral to secure the Notes, which securities in any such case must satisfy the criteria specified in the Indenture. In addition, Collateral Disposition Proceeds may be used to purchase Substitute Portfolio Collateral, subject to satisfaction of the specified criteria. The ability of the Issuer to obtain such Original Portfolio Collateral, Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral (and the rates and other terms thereof) and the terms on which such securities can be obtained, as well as the timing and amount of draws under the Delayed Drawdown Loans and the Revolving Loans and the rates and other terms obtained in connection with the funds held in Eligible Investments (including the Loan Funding Account), may affect the timing and amount of payments received by the Noteholders.

The Issuer will purchase and sell Portfolio Collateral from or to the Servicer and its affiliates, including assets managed by the Servicer and its affiliates, only to the extent the Servicer determines that such purchases and sales are consistent with the collateral guidelines and objectives of the Issuer, the restrictions contained in the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement and applicable law. In any event, all purchases or sales of Portfolio Collateral from such entities will be on an arms'-length basis for a price at least equal to the Market Value thereof.

On each Payment Date, subject to the satisfaction of the Overcollateralization Tests and, after the second Payment Date, the Interest Coverage Test and application of the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement, and in

accordance with the priority of distribution provisions described herein, certain collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be used to make certain subordinate payments free and clear of the lien of the Indenture, including payment of certain fees to the Servicer, payment of certain administrative expenses of the Issuer and payment to fund distributions to Holders of the Preferred Shares. To the extent that any such distributions are made rather than retained as additional collateral for the Notes, the amounts so distributed will not be available to support payments of principal and interest subsequently payable in respect of the Notes.

4. Default Rates of Commercial Loans and CLO Securities. There are varying sources of statistical default rate data for commercial loans and collateralized loan obligations and numerous methods for measuring default rates. The historical performance of the loan market or collateralized loan market is not necessarily indicative of its future performance. Should increases in default rates occur with respect to the type of collateral comprising the Portfolio Collateral, the actual default rates of the Portfolio Collateral may exceed the hypothetical default rates used herein. See "Maturity and Prepayment Considerations." **PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS OF THE NOTES SHOULD CONSIDER AND DETERMINE FOR THEMSELVES THE LIKELY LEVEL OF DEFAULTS AND THE LEVEL OF RECOVERIES ON THE PORTFOLIO COLLATERAL DURING THE TERM OF THE NOTES.**

5. Potential Illiquidity of Portfolio Collateral. There is no established, liquid secondary market for many of the CLO Securities and Portfolio Loans which the Issuer may purchase and the lack of such an established, liquid secondary market may have an adverse effect on the market value of such CLO Securities and Portfolio Loans and the Issuer's ability to dispose of them. Such illiquidity may adversely affect the price and timing of the Issuer's liquidation of CLO Securities and Portfolio Loans, including the liquidation of CLO Securities and Portfolio Loans following the occurrence of an Event of Default under the Indenture or in connection with a redemption of the Notes.

Further, the items of Portfolio Collateral will be subject to certain transfer restrictions that may further restrict liquidity. Therefore, no assurance can be given that if the Issuer were to dispose of a particular item of Portfolio Collateral held by the Issuer, it could dispose of such Portfolio Collateral at the previously prevailing market price. A decrease in the market value of Portfolio Collateral would adversely affect the sale proceeds that could be obtained upon the sale of Portfolio Collateral and could ultimately affect the ability of the Co-Issuers to effect an Optional Redemption or Tax Event Redemption or pay the principal of the Notes, upon a liquidation of the Portfolio Collateral following the occurrence of an Event of Default.

The market value of the Portfolio Collateral will generally fluctuate with, among other things, changes in prevailing interest rates, general economic and political conditions, the condition of certain financial markets, developments or trends in any particular industry and the financial condition of the issuers of the Portfolio Collateral.

Any concentration of Portfolio Collateral in any one issuer, servicer or other characteristic may expose the Issuer to greater risk than would be the case if the Portfolio Collateral were more diversified, which would affect the Issuer's ability to make payments on the Notes.

The description of the Portfolio Collateral herein and the risks related thereto is general in nature and prospective purchasers should review the descriptions and risk factors relating to each item of Portfolio Collateral set forth in the underlying disclosure documents, transaction documents and servicing reports. **PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS SHOULD ASSESS FOR THEMSELVES THE RISKS INHERENT IN THE PORTFOLIO COLLATERAL.**

6. The Issuer and Investors Will Have Limited Control of the Administration and Amendment of Portfolio Loans. The Servicer will cause the Issuer to exercise or enforce, or refrain from exercising or enforcing, any or all of its rights in connection with the Portfolio Loans or any related documents or will refuse amendments or waivers of the terms of any Portfolio Loan and related documents in accordance with its customary business practices as if the Servicer were administering the Portfolio Loans for its own account. The authority of the Servicer to cause the Issuer to change the terms of the Portfolio Loans will generally not be restricted by the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement. As a result, the Issuer will be relying on the Servicer's customary business practices with respect to the

servicing of the Portfolio Loans. The Holders of the Notes and the Issuer will not have any right to compel the Issuer or the Servicer to take or refrain from taking any actions other than in accordance with its customary business practices.

The terms and conditions of the loan agreements and related assignments may be amended, modified or waived only by the agreement of the lenders. Generally, any such agreement must include a majority or a super majority (measured by outstanding loans or commitments) or, in certain circumstances, a unanimous vote of the lenders. Consequently, the terms and conditions of the payment obligation arising from loan agreements could be modified, amended or waived in a manner contrary to the preferences of the Servicer or the Issuer, as the case may be, if a sufficient number of the other lenders concurred with such modification, amendment or waiver. There can be no assurance that any obligations arising from a loan agreement will maintain the terms and conditions to which the Issuer originally agreed.

The exercise of remedies may also be subject to the vote of a specified percentage of the lenders thereunder. The Servicer will have the authority to cause the Issuer to consent to certain amendments, waivers or modifications to the Portfolio Loans requested by obligors or the lead agents for loan syndication agreements. The Servicer may, in accordance with its servicing standards and subject to the transaction documents, cause the Issuer to extend or defer the maturity, adjust the outstanding balance of any Portfolio Loan, reduce or forgive interest or fees, release material collateral or guarantees, or otherwise amend, modify or waive the terms of any related loan agreement, including the payment terms thereunder. The Servicer will make such determinations in accordance with its servicing standards. Any amendment, waiver or modification of a Portfolio Loan could postpone the expected maturity of the Notes and/or reduce the likelihood of timely and complete payment of interest or principal under the Notes, as well as the timing and amount of payments to Holders of the Preferred Shares.

7. Sale of Portfolio Collateral by Servicer Under Certain Circumstances. Under the Indenture, the Servicer may only direct the disposition of Portfolio Collateral under certain limited circumstances. More specifically, the Servicer may direct the disposition of Portfolio Collateral that meets the definition of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, Equity Portfolio Collateral, and, subject to satisfaction of the conditions set forth herein, Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral or Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral [or Collateral other than Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral]. Furthermore, the Servicer's ability to dispose of Portfolio Collateral may be subject to greater restrictions if any Class of Notes is downgraded. See "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral." **Notwithstanding such restrictions and satisfaction of the conditions set forth in the Indenture, sales and purchases by the Servicer of Portfolio Collateral could result in losses by the Issuer, which losses may result in the reduction or withdrawal of the rating of any or all of the Notes by any of the Rating Agencies.** On the other hand, circumstances may exist under which the Servicer may believe that it is in the best interests of the Issuer to dispose of Portfolio Collateral, but the Issuer will not be permitted to do so under the restrictions and conditions of the Indenture.

A portion of the Portfolio Collateral may have fixed interest rates that remain constant until a specified date or their maturity, and a portion of the Portfolio Collateral will bear interest based on a fixed margin over a reference rate, which margin will generally remain constant until the maturity of such Portfolio Collateral. Accordingly, the market value of the fixed rate Portfolio Collateral will generally decrease as market rates of interest increase. The market value of such Portfolio Collateral will also generally fluctuate with, among other things, general economic conditions, world political events, developments or trends in any particular industry, the conditions of financial markets and the financial condition, results of operations and prospects of the Portfolio Collateral issuers. The Issuer will be relying on Rule 3a-7 and/or Section 3(c)(7) of the U.S. Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "**Investment Company Act**") for its exemption from the Investment Company Act. The Rule 3a-7 exemption restricts the Issuer from disposing of any item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, Equity Portfolio Collateral, Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral or Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral or acquiring any item of Portfolio Collateral for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. These restrictions mean that the Issuer may be required to hold an item of Portfolio Collateral or precluded from acquiring an item of Portfolio Collateral when it would have sold such item of Portfolio Collateral or acquired such item of Portfolio Collateral, as applicable, had it based such determination on expected market value changes. As a result, greater losses on the Portfolio Collateral may be sustained and there may be insufficient proceeds on any Payment Date to pay in full any expenses of the Issuer or any amounts payable to the Trustee or the Administrator (all of which

amounts are payable prior to payments in respect of the Notes) and the principal of and interest on the Notes. See "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral."

8. Sale of Collateral Upon Default of the Notes. The market value of the Portfolio Collateral will generally fluctuate with, among other things, general economic conditions, world political events, developments or trends in any particular industry, the conditions of financial markets and the financial condition of the issuers of the Portfolio Collateral. In addition, CLO Securities included in the Portfolio Collateral, which will comprise no more than 35% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate, may have interest rates that remain constant until their maturity. Accordingly, their market value will generally fluctuate with changes in market rates of interest. Therefore, if an Event of Default occurs with respect to the Notes, there can be no assurance that the proceeds of any sale by the Trustee of the Portfolio Collateral and the other collateral securing the Notes will be sufficient to pay in full the principal of and interest on the Notes and any amounts payable to the Trustee. However, certain conditions set forth in the Indenture must be satisfied before the Trustee is permitted to sell the Portfolio Collateral and other collateral pledged as security for the Notes following an Event of Default. See "Legal Structure—The Indenture—Events of Default."

9. Restrictions on Transfer. The Notes have not been registered under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "**Securities Act**"), or under any U.S. state securities or "Blue Sky" laws or the securities laws of any other jurisdiction and are being issued and sold in reliance upon exemptions from registration provided by such laws. There is no market for the Notes being offered hereby and, as a result, a purchaser must be prepared to hold the Notes for an indefinite period of time or until the maturity thereof. No Note may be sold or transferred unless such sale or transfer (i) is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act (for example, in reliance on exemptions provided by Rule 144A or Regulation S under the Securities Act) and applicable state securities laws, (ii) will not constitute or result in a non-exempt "prohibited transaction" under ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code and (iii) does not cause either of the Co-Issuers to become subject to the registration requirements of the Investment Company Act. In addition, the Class B-1L Notes may not be sold or transferred to any Plan or to any person acting on behalf of or with "plan assets" of any such Plan, including an insurance company general account, unless the purchaser or transferee is eligible for the exemptive relief available under PTCE 96-23, 95-60, 91-38, 90-1 or 84-14. Prospective transferees of the Notes will be required pursuant to the terms of the Indenture to deliver a certificate to the Trustee and the Co-Issuers relating to compliance with the Securities Act, applicable state securities laws, ERISA, Section 4975 of the Code and the Investment Company Act. The Co-Issuers will not provide registration rights to any purchaser of the Notes and neither of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, nor any other person may register the Notes under the Securities Act or any state securities or "Blue Sky" laws nor may the Co-Issuers or the Trustee take such action with respect to the Portfolio Collateral. See "Description of the Notes—General." The Notes will be owned by a relatively small number of investors and it is highly unlikely that an active secondary market for the Notes will develop. Purchasers of the Notes may find it difficult or uneconomic to liquidate their investment at any particular time.

The Issuer has not registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exception provided under Rule 3a-7 and/or Section 3(c)(7) thereof. While counsel will opine in connection with the sale of the Notes to the Initial Purchaser that neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer is on the Closing Date required to register as an investment company (assuming the Notes are sold to the Initial Purchaser in accordance with the terms of the Purchase Agreement (as defined herein) and that the Servicer services the Portfolio Collateral and other assets of the Issuer in accordance with the terms of the Servicing Agreement (as defined herein)), no opinion or no-action position has been requested of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "**SEC**"). If the SEC or a court of competent jurisdiction were to find that the Issuer or the Co-Issuer is required to register as an investment company, possible consequences include, but are not limited to, the SEC applying to enjoin the violation, investors suing the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, to recover any damages caused by the violation and any contract to which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, is a party made in violation or whose performance involves a violation of the Investment Company Act being unenforceable unless enforcing such contract would produce a more equitable result. Should the Issuer or the Co-Issuer be subjected to any or all of the foregoing or to any other consequences, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, would be materially and adversely affected.

Each transferee of a Note (except with respect to a transfer pursuant to Regulation S under the Securities Act) will be deemed to make certain representations at the time of transfer relating to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act. See "Delivery of the Notes; Transfer Restrictions; Settlement."

The Indenture will provide that if, notwithstanding the restrictions on transfer contained therein, the Issuer determines any beneficial owner or Holder of a Note (other than a Note transferred in reliance on Regulation S of the Securities Act) is not a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser, the Issuer will require that such beneficial owner or Holder sell all of its right, title and interest in such Note to a person who is so qualified, with such sale to be effected within 30 days after notice of such sale requirement is given. If such sale is not effected within such 30 days, upon written direction from the Issuer, the Trustee (or an investment banker selected by the Trustee and approved by the Issuer) will be authorized to conduct a commercially reasonable sale of such Note to a person who does so qualify and pending transfer, no further payments will be made in respect of such Note or any beneficial interest therein.

10. Final Maturity Date; Average Life and Prepayment Considerations; Redemption. The Final Maturity Date of each Class of Notes (other than the Class X Notes) will be the Payment Date occurring in August 1, 2021 and the Final Maturity Date of the Class X Notes will be the Payment Date occurring in August 1, 2013; *provided that*, the Final Maturity Dates of the Notes (other than the Class X Notes) are extendable upon a Maturity Extension (if any) as described herein, in which case the Final Maturity Date of such Notes will be extended to the applicable Extended Final Maturity Date. See "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date". The average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years until the Final Maturity Date, and the average lives may vary due to various factors affecting the early retirement of the Portfolio Collateral and the ability of the Servicer to invest collections in Additional Portfolio Collateral or reinvest disposition proceeds in Substitute Portfolio Collateral. Retirement of an item of Portfolio Collateral prior to that item of Portfolio Collateral's respective final maturity will depend, among other things, on the financial condition of the issuer and the characteristics of the underlying item of Portfolio Collateral, including the existence and frequency of exercise of any prepayment or redemption features, the prevailing level of interest rates, the prepayment or redemption price and the actual default rate and the actual amount collected on any Defaulted Portfolio Collateral. See "Maturity and Prepayment Considerations" and "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral." The ability of the Issuer to reinvest proceeds in securities with comparable interest rates, with final maturity dates on or before the Calculation Date prior to the Final Maturity Date and otherwise satisfying the criteria specified herein may affect the timing and amount of payments received by the Noteholders and the yield to maturity of the Notes. If the Issuer is unable to reinvest more than U.S.\$2,000,000 of collections of principal in Additional Portfolio Collateral selected by the Servicer meeting the criteria described herein for ninety days after receipt, the Servicer may direct the Trustee to apply such amounts to pay principal of the Notes (other than the Class X Notes) in a Special Redemption. Any such application will affect the timing and amount of payments received by the Noteholders and the average life and yield to maturity of the Notes.

As described herein, the Notes are subject to a Tax Event Redemption on any Payment Date, at the option of the Issuer acting at the direction of at least a Majority of the Preferred Shares or a majority of the Controlling Class (but only if the Aggregate Principal Balance of Portfolio Collateral is less than 100% of the Class A-1L Notes), if as a result of a change in tax law, rule or regulation or the interpretation thereof, the payments to be received on the Portfolio Collateral are reduced as a result thereof as described herein.

As described herein, the Notes will be subject to an Optional Redemption, at the option of the Issuer acting at the direction of the Holders of the requisite amount of the Preferred Shares eligible to vote for any such redemption (See "Description of the Notes—Optional Redemption"), on any Optional Redemption Date, at a price equal to the Optional Redemption Price.

As described herein, at any time that the Notes are Outstanding, if any Overcollateralization Test or, after the second Payment Date, the Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied on any Payment Date, amounts that are junior in right of payment to such test as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", will be applied to the redemption of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes (or, in the case of the Class B-1L Notes, first to pay accrued and unpaid interest from prior Payment Dates, then to pay principal) in an O/C Redemption on each such Payment Date, in the order described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions," to the extent necessary to satisfy both the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test. Further, if following the Effective Date, the Issuer is not able to receive a Rating Confirmation, amounts that are junior in right of payment to such redemption as described herein, will be applied to the redemption of the Notes until the earlier of the Ratings Confirmation being received or each such Class being

paid in full, in the order and according to the priorities described herein. The Class X Notes are not subject to redemption in connection with an O/C Redemption, but are subject to Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption.

The Class B-1L Notes may be retired early as a result of principal payments made to the Class B-1L Notes in connection with the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement.

As described herein, if the Issuer or the Servicer is unable to use (or commit) the full amount of the Deposit to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral having an Aggregate Principal Amount (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to the Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date) at least equal to the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount and meeting the specified requirements no later than the Effective Date, an amount (not in excess of the amount of the Deposit not so used or committed for use) equal to the difference between the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount and the par amount of Portfolio Collateral actually acquired (or committed to be acquired) (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to the Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date) shall be used to make principal payments of the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class X Notes, on a *pro rata* basis, on the Initial Deposit Redemption Date except, if the amount of the Deposit not so used (or committed to be used) does not exceed U.S.\$2,000,000 in the aggregate, such amount will be transferred to the Collection Account on the Effective Date.

11. Maturity Extension Risk. Under the Indenture, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date, to extend the Revolving Period to the applicable Extended Revolving Period End Date up to a maximum of four times (so that the Notes can only be extended to 2037) if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously affected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date, (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and (iii) the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Revolving Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. Under the Indenture, if the Revolving Period is so extended, the Final Maturity Date of the Notes (other than the Class X Notes) will be equally extended and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be extended without the requirement for any approval or consent of any Holders of Notes or Preferred Shares; *provided* that if the Extension Conditions are not satisfied because the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes have failed to deliver an Extension Sale Notice or have failed to provide their written consent to the related Maturity Extension, then the Servicer may exceed seven Business Days after the then proposed Extension Effective Date) if the Servicer shall cause the Extension Conditions set forth in clause (iv) of such definition to be satisfied as of such later date. Holders of the Notes will not be able to prevent or prohibit the extension of the Final Maturity Date so long as the Extension Conditions are satisfied, which include the ability of Holders of such Notes to sell their Notes at the designated purchase price to a designated purchaser under the Indenture. In the case of the Preferred Shares and any Maturity Extension, Holders of Preferred Shares that have received an Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% as of the Extension Effective Date will not receive any payment in exchange for their Preferred Shares sold in connection with a Maturity Extension. See "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date." As a consequence, if the Servicer elects to extend the Revolving Period and the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Holders of the Notes (other than the Class X Notes) and the Preferred Shares may either be required to hold their Notes and Preferred Shares for a significantly longer period of time or be forced to sell their Notes and Preferred Shares for the applicable purchase price under the Indenture, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Notes and Preferred Shares.

12. Amendment Buy-Out Risk. Any Non-Consenting Holder of Notes or Preferred Shares with respect to an amendment of the Indenture (which includes Holders that fail to respond to a consent solicitation within the applicable period) may be forced to sell their applicable Notes or Preferred Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Notes or Preferred Shares; *provided* that during the Non-Call Period, "Non-Consenting Holder" shall exclude any Holder of Class A-1LA Notes (unless such Holder has consented in writing to be designated as a Non-Consenting Holder) and the Amendment Buy-Out Option shall not be applicable to such Class A-1LA Notes. In the case of the Preferred Shares, the Indenture provides that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price will be zero



for Non-Consenting Holders that have received an Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% as of the Amendment Buy-Out Date. See "Legal Structure—The Indenture; Amendment Buy-Out." A Holder's ability to vote against an amendment or affect or influence the amendment process with respect to the Indenture will be limited by the possibility of an Amendment Buy-Out. The Amendment Buy-Out will also increase the ability of the Servicer to affect or influence the amendment process.

13. Interest Rate Risk. The Notes generally will bear interest at a rate based on three-month LIBOR, as described herein. While most of the Portfolio Collateral will bear interest at floating rates, up to 5% of the Portfolio Collateral may bear interest at fixed rates. Further, the obligors under the Portfolio Loans which are Floating Rate Collateral may choose different interest indices than the London interbank rate for three-month U.S. dollar deposits or the interest rates on the Floating Rate Collateral may be determined or adjustments may take effect on different dates than is the case for the Notes. Additionally, interest on the Notes is payable quarterly on each Payment Date while a portion of the Portfolio Collateral may provide for semiannual payments of interest. Any such mismatches may adversely affect the Issuer's ability to pay amounts due in respect of the Notes.

14. The Issuer. The Issuer is a recently formed entity and has no significant prior operating history. The Issuer has no significant assets other than the Trust Estate. The Issuer will not engage in any business activity other than the co-issuance of the Notes and the issuance of the Preferred Shares and the ordinary shares as described herein, the acquisition and disposition of Portfolio Collateral as described herein, certain activities conducted in connection with the payment of amounts in respect of the Notes and the Preferred Shares and the management of the collateral and other activities incidental to the foregoing. Income derived from the collateral will be the Issuer's principal source of cash. The Issuer is a limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands. Because the Issuer is a Cayman Islands company and some of its directors reside in the Cayman Islands, it may not be possible for investors to effect service of process within the United States on such persons or to enforce against them or against the Issuer in United States courts judgments predicated upon the civil liability provisions of the United States securities laws. None of the directors, security holders, members, officers or incorporators of the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, any of their respective affiliates or any other person or entity (other than the Issuer) will be obligated to make payments on the Notes or the Preferred Shares.

15. The Co-Issuer. The Co-Issuer is a newly-formed entity and has no prior operating history. The Co-Issuer has no substantial assets. The Co-Issuer will not engage in any business activity other than the co-issuance of the Class X Notes, the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes.

16. Fraudulent Conveyance Considerations. Various federal and state laws enacted for the protection of creditors may apply to the Portfolio Collateral by virtue of the Issuer's role as a creditor with respect to such Portfolio Collateral. If a court in a lawsuit brought by an unpaid creditor or representative of creditors of an obligor under an item of Portfolio Collateral, such as a trustee in bankruptcy or the obligor as debtor-in-possession, were to find that the obligor did not receive fair consideration or reasonably equivalent value for incurring indebtedness evidenced by an item of Portfolio Collateral and the grant of any security interest or other lien securing such Portfolio Collateral, and, after giving effect to the incurring of such indebtedness, the obligor (i) was insolvent, (ii) was engaged in a business for which the assets remaining in such obligor constituted unreasonably small capital, or (iii) intended to incur, or believed that it would incur, debts beyond its ability to pay such debts as they mature, such court could invalidate, in whole or in part, such indebtedness and such security interest or other lien as fraudulent conveyances, subordinate such indebtedness to existing or future creditors of the obligor or recover amounts previously paid by the obligor (including to the Issuer) in satisfaction of such indebtedness or proceeds of such security interest or other lien previously applied in satisfaction of such indebtedness. In addition, in the event of the insolvency of an issuer or other obligor of an item of Portfolio Collateral, payments made on the Portfolio Collateral could be subject to avoidance as a "preference" if made within a certain period of time (which may be as long as one year) before insolvency depending on a number of factors, including the amount of equity of the obligor owned by the Issuer and its affiliates and any contractual arrangements between the obligor, on the one hand, and the Issuer and its affiliates, on the other hand. The measure of insolvency for purposes of the foregoing will vary depending on the law of the jurisdiction which is being applied. Generally, however, an obligor would be considered insolvent at a particular time if the sum of its debts was greater than all of its property at a fair valuation or if the present fair saleable value of its assets was then less than the amount that would be required to pay its probable liabilities on its

existing debts as they became absolute and matured. There can be no assurance as to what standard a court would apply in order to determine whether an obligor was insolvent after giving effect to the incurrence of the loan or that, regardless of the method of evaluation, a court would not determine that the obligor was "insolvent" upon giving effect to such incurrence.

In general, if payments on Portfolio Collateral are avoidable, whether as fraudulent conveyances or preferences, such payments can be recaptured either from the initial recipient (such as the Issuer) or from subsequent transferees of such payments, including Holders of the Notes.

17. Lender Liability Considerations. In recent years, a number of judicial decisions in the United States have upheld the right of borrowers to sue lending institutions on the basis of various evolving legal theories, including equitable subordination (collectively termed "**lender liability**"). Generally, lender liability is founded upon the premise that the institutional lender has violated a duty (whether implied or contractual) of good faith and fair dealing owed to the borrower or has assumed a degree of control over the borrower resulting in the creation of a fiduciary duty owed to the borrower. Although the Issuer is not engaged in the business of lending, the Issuer, as a creditor, may be subject to allegations of lender liability. Furthermore, the Issuer and the Servicer may be unable to control the conduct of the lenders under a loan syndication agreement requiring less than a unanimous vote, yet the Issuer may be subject to lender liability for such conduct.

18. Environmental Risks. Real property pledged as security with respect to an item of Portfolio Collateral may be subject to potential environmental risks. Of particular concern may be those mortgaged properties which are, or have been, the site of manufacturing, industrial or disposal activity. Such environmental risks may give rise to a diminution in the value of property securing any item of Portfolio Collateral or liability for cleanup costs or other remedial actions, which liability could exceed the value of such property or the principal balance of the related item of Portfolio Collateral. In certain circumstances, a lender may choose not to foreclose on contaminated property rather than risk incurring liability for remedial actions.

19. Potential Conflicts of Interest. It is expected that Highland Financial Partners, L.P. or an affiliate or subsidiary thereof ("**HFP**") will purchase approximately 45,000,000 of the Class II Preferred Shares of the Issuer on the Closing Date, representing approximately 58% of the total Preferred Shares outstanding (the "**Original HFP Share Amount**"). It is also expected that Highland will purchase approximately 10,000,000 of the preferred shares of Investor Corp. and approximately U.S.\$2,000,000 Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes on the Closing Date. In addition, the Servicer, entities affiliated with the Servicer or clients of the Servicer (collectively, the "**Servicer Entities**") may also acquire Notes or Preferred Shares upon the occurrence of an Amendment Buy-Out or a Maturity Extension as described herein. The interests of the Holders of the Preferred Shares and the Class B-1L Notes that are Servicer Entities, or any other Notes owned by the Servicer Entities, may be different from or adverse to the interests of the Holders of the other Notes and Preferred Shares. As the result of the ownership of Preferred Shares and Notes by the Servicer Entities, and the ability to vote the Preferred Shares and the Notes owned by the Servicer Entities up to a maximum amount equal to the Original HFP Share Amount, the affirmative vote or approval of the Preferred Shares owned by such Servicer Entities, may be required in order to cause an Optional Redemption or a Tax Redemption of the Notes. Preferred Shares owned or controlled by the Servicer Entities above the Original HFP Share Amount will be excluded from voting on certain matters including any Optional Redemption.

In addition to the Base Servicing Fee, the Servicer is entitled to receive an Additional Servicing Fee and an Supplemental Servicing Fee (if any) after all other distributions (other than certain distributions with respect to the Preferred Shares and certain administrative expenses) are made, which is dependent in large part on the performance of the securities purchased by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer. This could create an inducement for the Servicer to service the Issuer's assets in such a manner as to seek to maximize the return on such securities. This could result in increasing the volatility of the Portfolio Collateral and could contribute to a decline in the aggregate value of the Portfolio Collateral. However, the Servicer's servicing of the Issuer's assets is restricted by the requirement that it comply with the restrictions described in "Security for the Notes" and by its internal policies with respect to the management of securities accounts.

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise from the overall activity of the Servicer, its affiliates and their respective clients. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

Certain Holders of the Notes and certain Holders of the Preferred Shares may be clients of the Servicer or one of its affiliates. Certain clients of the Servicer and its affiliates may invest in securities that would be appropriate for inclusion in the Trust Estate. Further, the Servicer currently serves and may in the future serve as servicer, collateral manager or the equivalent for other issuers of collateralized debt obligations, including collateralized debt obligation vehicles having objectives similar to those of the Issuer. The Servicer and its affiliates may make asset management decisions for its clients and affiliates that may be different from those made by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer. The Servicer and its affiliates may also have ongoing relationships with, and may own or invest assets of their clients in, equity securities issued by issuers of Portfolio Collateral. In addition, affiliates and clients of the Servicer may invest in securities that are senior to, or have interests different from or adverse to, the securities included in the Trust Estate. An affiliate of the Servicer may earn fees with respect to financial advisory services rendered to companies in connection with workouts or the subsequent restructuring of such companies. Such fees and advice may continue for a period of time after any such workout or restructure. The Issuer may own an interest in the securities of such companies.

The Amendment Buy-Out will increase the ability of the Servicer to affect or influence the amendment process under the Indenture and will limit any Holder's ability to vote against an amendment or affect or influence the amendment process with respect to the Indenture.

If the Servicer elects to extend the Revolving Period and the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Holders of the Notes and the Preferred Shares may either be required to hold their Notes and Preferred Shares for a significantly longer period of time or be forced to sell their Notes and Preferred Shares for the applicable purchase price under the Indenture, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Notes and Preferred Shares.

In addition to acting as Servicer to the Issuer, Highland Capital Management L.P. will act as manager for HFP, which will, on the Closing Date, purchase all of the Class II Preferred Shares. Because Highland Capital Management will receive both a servicing fee from the Issuer for servicing the Portfolio Collateral and a management fee from HFP for managing HFP's assets, which will include the Class II Preferred Shares (and therefore a residual interest in the Portfolio Collateral), Highland Capital Management has agreed, in connection with the capital raising of HFP, to waive a portion of its servicing fees from the Issuer for two years following the Closing Date so as not to reduce the return on investment realized by HFP in respect of the Class II Preferred Shares. Thereafter Highland Capital Management may at its discretion continue to waive such portion of its servicing fees or may elect to receive such servicing fees in their entirety. Accordingly, during the first two years following the Closing Date, a portion (representing the percentage ownership of the Preferred Shares represented by the Class II Preferred Shares, which will initially be owned entirely by HFP) of the amounts that would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as a servicing fee will instead be payable on the Class II Preferred Shares as the Class II Preferred Share Dividends in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Thereafter, the Servicer may elect to continue to waive such same portion of the amounts that would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as a servicing fee, or any lesser portion of such amounts, and have such amounts be paid instead as the Class II Preferred Share Dividends. The Class II Preferred Shares and the Class I Preferred Shares will vote together as a single class and the existence of the Class II Preferred Share Dividends may cause HFP to have interests different from the holders of the Class I Preferred Shares.

The Trustee and its affiliates may invest in the loans or securities that would be appropriate for inclusion in the Trust Estate and the Trustee has no duty, in making those investments, to act in a way that is favorable to the Issuer or the Holders of the Notes or the Preferred Shares. The Trustee's affiliates currently serve and may in the future serve as collateral manager or the equivalent for other issuers of collateralized loan obligations.

It is expected that the Issuer will acquire all of the Initial Portfolio Collateral to be acquired on the Closing Date from Bear Stearns or other sources in each case, at prices agreed upon by the Issuer with the advice of the Servicer. Certain of such securities will be securities of issuers for which Bear Stearns has acted as underwriter, agent, placement agent or principal or of which Bear Stearns is an equity owner or which the Servicer or an affiliate

of the Servicer has acted as manager, principal or counterparty. The price to be paid by the Issuer for such securities may be higher or lower, based on market conditions at the time of purchase from such sellers, than the prices the Issuer would have paid had such securities all been purchased from such sellers on the date such securities were sold to the Issuer. After the Closing Date, the Issuer with the advice of the Servicer may acquire from or through Bear Stearns or other sources Portfolio Collateral at current market prices which will be negotiated by or on behalf of the Issuer at such time. In addition, from time to time the Servicer may sell Portfolio Collateral through Bear Stearns. Bear Stearns will also receive compensation for the sale of the Notes and the Preferred Shares. See "Use of Proceeds" and "Plan of Distribution" herein. Bear Stearns has also entered into certain indemnification agreements with the Servicer relating to, among other things, the acquisition of the Initial Portfolio Collateral. An affiliate of the Initial Purchaser may be a Synthetic Security Counterparty and/or a Default Swap Counterparty.

20. Servicer Affiliates Reliance on Rule 3a-7; Potential Indenture Amendments. HFP, an affiliate of the Servicer will, on the Closing Date, purchase all of the Class II Preferred Shares. The Servicer will act as the manager for HFP. HFP and Highland Financial Trust, the owner of substantially all of the limited partnership interests of HFP, are relying on an exception from the definition of investment company and the requirement to register under the Investment Company Act that in turn depends, in part, upon the Issuer not being an investment company required to register under the Investment Company Act by reason of Rule 3a-7 thereunder. It is expected that, in connection with certain capital raising activities of Highland Financial Trust, the SEC may consider the applicability of Rule 3a-7 to the Issuer. If it were determined that the Issuer cannot rely on Rule 3a-7, the Servicer may cause the Issuer to amend the Indenture without the consent of the Holders of the Notes and without the consent of the Holders of the Preferred Shares to enable the Issuer to rely on Rule 3a-7, which could require additional limitations and prohibitions on the circumstances under which the Issuer may sell assets, on the type of assets that the Issuer may acquire out of the proceeds of assets that mature, are refinanced or otherwise sold, on the period during which such transactions may occur, on the level of transactions that may occur or on other provisions of the Indenture and could adversely affect the earnings of the Issuer and its ability to make payments on the Notes and distributions to the Preferred Shares. As a condition to the effectiveness of any such amendment to the Indenture, the Issuer, the Trustee and the Initial Purchaser will (i) satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to such amendment and (ii) receive a customary, unqualified opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such amendment and assuming compliance with the Indenture as so amended, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act. Such nationally recognized law firm may also be acting as counsel to the Servicer, certain Holders of Notes and/or Preferred Shares. The interests of any such parties may not coincide with the interest of other Holders of Notes and/or Preferred Shares. See "Legal Structure—The Indenture—Modification of Indenture."

21. Dependence on Key Personnel of the Servicer. The performance of the Portfolio Collateral will be highly dependent on the financial and managerial expertise of the Servicer. See "The Servicer" and "The Servicing Agreement." The loss of one or more of the individuals servicing the Portfolio Collateral could have a significant material adverse effect on the performance of the Portfolio Collateral. Although the Servicer will commit a significant amount of its efforts to the servicing of the Portfolio Collateral, it manages and will manage in the future other products and vehicles and is not required (and will not be able) to devote all of its time to the servicing of the Portfolio Collateral.

22. Ratings of the Notes. The ratings of the Notes by S&P address solely the likelihood of timely payment of the Periodic Interest Amount on and the ultimate payment of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Senior Class A Notes, the timely payment of the Class X Payment and the ultimate payment of the Cumulative Interest Amount and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes. The ratings of the Notes by Moody's address the ultimate cash receipt of all required payments as provided by the governing documents, and are based on the expected loss to the Noteholders of each Class relative to the promise of receiving the present value of such payments. A rating is not a recommendation to purchase, hold or sell securities, in as much as such rating does not comment as to market price or suitability for a particular investor and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning rating organization.

23. Certain Tax Considerations. Investors in the Notes should review carefully the tax considerations set forth in "Certain Tax Considerations" herein.

24. Certain ERISA Considerations. Investors in the Notes should review carefully the ERISA considerations set forth in "Certain ERISA Considerations" herein.

25. Legislation and Regulations In Connection With the Prevention of Money Laundering. The Uniting and Strengthening America By Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the "**USA PATRIOT Act**"), signed into law on and effective as of October 26, 2001, imposes anti-money laundering obligations on different types of financial institutions, including banks, broker-dealers and investment companies. The USA PATRIOT Act requires the Secretary of the United States Department of the Treasury (the "**Treasury**") to prescribe regulations to define the types of investment companies subject to the USA PATRIOT Act and the related anti-money laundering obligations. It is not clear whether Treasury will require entities such as the Issuer to enact anti-money laundering policies. It is possible that Treasury will promulgate regulations requiring the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchaser or other service providers to the Co-Issuers, in connection with the establishment of anti-money laundering procedures, to share information with governmental authorities with respect to investors in the Notes and/or the Preferred Shares. Such legislation and/or regulations could require the Co-Issuers to implement additional restrictions on the transfer of the Notes and/or the Preferred Shares. As may be required, the Issuer reserves the right to request such information and take such actions as are necessary to enable it to comply with the USA PATRIOT Act.

26. Emerging Requirements of the European Union. As part of the harmonization of transparency requirements, the European Commission is scheduled to adopt a directive known as the Transparency Obligations Directive that, among other things, will regulate issuers of securities that are offered to the public or admitted to trading on a European Union regulated market. The listing of Notes on any European Union stock exchange would subject the Issuer to regulation under this directive, although the requirements applicable to the Issuer are not yet fully clarified. The Indenture will not require the Issuer to apply for, list or maintain a listing for any Class of Notes on a European Union stock exchange if compliance with this directive (or other requirements adopted by the European Commission or a relevant member state) becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer. Should the Notes be delisted from any exchange, the ability of the Holders of such Notes to sell such Notes in the secondary market may be negatively affected.

27. Document Repository. Pursuant to the Indenture, the Issuer will consent to the posting of this Confidential Offering Circular, the Indenture and certain periodic reports required to be delivered pursuant to the Indenture, together with any amendments or modifications thereto, to the internet-based password protected electronic repository of transaction documents relating to privately offered and sold collateralized debt obligation securities located at "[www.cdolibrary.com](http://www.cdolibrary.com)".

## **THE ISSUER AND THE CO-ISSUER**

### The Issuer

Rockwall CDO Ltd. (the "**Issuer**") was incorporated in the Cayman Islands on June 7, 2005, for the express purpose of issuing the Notes and the Preferred Shares, acquiring, disposing of and holding the assets described herein and engaging in the related transactions contemplated hereby.

The Issuer has no significant prior operating experience. The purposes for which the Issuer has been established are set forth in clause 3 of its Memorandum of Association and are unrestricted; however, the business activities in which the Issuer may engage will be limited by the Indenture to the issuance of the Notes and the Preferred Shares, the acquisition and disposition of Portfolio Collateral as described herein, ownership of the Co-Issuer's shares and certain activities conducted in connection with the payment of amounts in respect of the Notes and the Preferred Shares and the management of the collateral. Cash flow derived from the Portfolio Collateral and other collateral securing the Notes will be the Issuer's only sources of cash.

The registered office of the Issuer is at the offices of Maples Finance Limited, P.O. Box 1093 GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands and the registered number of the Issuer is 150044.

The proceeds of the offering of Notes will be used, together with the proceeds of the sale of the Preferred Shares, to purchase Portfolio Collateral, to fund the Deposit and the Expense Reimbursement Account and to pay organizational, structuring, legal and offering fees and expenses.

#### Investor Corp.

On the Closing Date, Rockwall Investors Corp. ("**Investor Corp.**"), an exempted limited liability corporation incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands, is expected to purchase 100% of the Class I Preferred Shares of the Issuer issued on the Closing Date, and will issue an equivalent number of its preferred shares to third party investors and to Highland.

#### The Administrator

The Issuer has appointed Maples Finance Limited in the Cayman Islands, as Administrator to perform certain administrative functions on its behalf.

#### Share Capital

The Issuer's authorized share capital is U.S.\$600,250 and consists of 250 ordinary shares of U.S.\$1.00 par each, 300,000,000 Class I Preferred Shares of U.S.\$0.001 par each and 300,000,000 Class II Preferred Shares of U.S.\$0.001 par each. As of the Closing Date, 250 ordinary shares, 33,200,000 Class I Preferred Shares and 45,000,000 Class II Preferred Shares will have been issued and will be fully paid-up. All of the issued and outstanding ordinary shares of the Issuer are held in trust for the benefit of certain charitable entities.

The Class I Preferred Shares and the Class II Preferred Shares will be identical in all respects except that the Class II Preferred Shares will also be entitled, subject to any restrictions under Cayman Islands law, to the Class II Preferred Share Dividends. In addition to the Class II Preferred Share Dividends payable on the Class II Preferred Shares, regular dividends will be payable on the Class II Preferred Shares and the Class I Preferred Shares on each Payment Date in the amounts and in the priority described under the Priority of Payments; *provided* that, if and to the extent sufficient funds to pay such regular dividends in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Cayman Islands law are not available on any Payment Date, such unpaid regular dividends will cease to be payable on such Payment Date or any other date. Class II Preferred Share Dividends will be paid to the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares on a *pro rata* basis according to the number of Class II Preferred Shares held by each Holder. All other dividends and distributions in respect of the Preferred Shares will be paid to the Holders of the Preferred Shares on a *pro rata* basis according to the number of Preferred Shares held by each Holder. Following the liquidation of the Collateral and the distribution of any available remaining funds following a redemption of the Notes and payment of all other obligations of the Co-Issuers (other than amounts payable by the Issuer to the Holders of the Preferred Shares) or an Event of Default under the Indenture or otherwise, the Preferred Shares will be redeemed, whether or not the Holders thereof receive any payments in respect of such redemption.

The Directors of the Issuer are responsible for the management and administration of the Issuer. Currently, the Directors are Wendy Ebanks and Guy Major. As of the Closing Date, HFP, which will hold all of the Class II Preferred Shares, will have full voting rights with respect to the appointment and removal of the Directors of the Issuer.

#### The Co-Issuer

The Co-Issuer was incorporated on June 7, 2005, under the laws of the State of Delaware and its registered office is c/o Donald J. Puglisi, 850 Library Avenue, Suite 204, City of Newark, County of New Castle, Delaware 19711. The Co-Issuer will not have any substantial assets and will not pledge any assets to secure the Notes.

The Co-Issuer will be capitalized only to the extent of its common equity of \$10, will have no assets other than its equity capital. The Issuer will own 100% of the stock of the Co-Issuer.

## DESCRIPTION OF THE NOTES

Certain definitions used herein are set forth in the Glossary of Certain Defined Terms (the "**Glossary**") set forth as Annex A hereto.

### General

The Notes will be issued on the Closing Date pursuant to an indenture (the "**Indenture**"), to be dated as of the Closing Date, among the Co-Issuers and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as trustee (the "**Trustee**") and as securities intermediary. The following summaries generally describe certain provisions of the Notes and the Indenture. The summaries do not purport to be complete and are subject to, and are qualified in their entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Notes and the Indenture. When particular provisions or terms used in the Notes and the Indenture are referred to, the actual provisions (including definitions of terms) are incorporated by reference. Copies of the Indenture may be obtained by Holders of the Notes upon request to the Issuer or the Initial Purchaser.

The Indenture limits the amount of Notes that can be issued thereunder to the Class X Notes, the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes in the aggregate principal amounts and notional principal amounts, as applicable, set forth on the cover hereof. Subject to the foregoing, the Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$200,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1 in excess of such minimum denomination.

**The Notes will be non-recourse obligations of the Co-Issuers and all amounts payable in respect of the Notes will be paid solely from and to the extent of the available proceeds from the Trust Estate. To the extent the assets of the Trust Estate are insufficient to pay all amounts due on the Notes on each Payment Date, on the Final Maturity Date or otherwise, the Co-Issuers shall have no further obligations in respect of the Notes and any sums outstanding and unpaid shall be extinguished.**

The Record Date for each Payment Date (including the Final Maturity Date) is the Business Day immediately preceding such Payment Date; *provided, however*, if Definitive Notes are issued, the Record Date for such Definitive Notes shall be the fifteenth calendar day preceding such Payment Date. Payments of interest and principal or any other amount payable on or in respect of the Notes will be made on each Payment Date by wire transfer to registered Holders of the Notes on the Record Date applicable to such Payment Date to accounts maintained by such registered Holders as reflected in the Note Register. In the case of redemption, notice will be mailed to each Holder of record no later than twenty days before the Payment Date on which the final principal payment is expected to be made to such Holder.

Under the terms of the Indenture, the Trustee will act as a paying agent (together with any other paying agent appointed by the Co-Issuers from time to time, the "**Paying Agents**"). JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association will act as the paying and transfer agent for the Preferred Shares (the "**Paying and Transfer Agent**"). The Issuer will appoint an off-shore Paying and Transfer Agent (other than in the Cayman Islands) (in addition to and not in lieu of JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association) if requested by at least 33-2/3% of the Preferred Shares, with the cost of any such agent to be borne by the Issuer. There can be no assurance that any investor requesting payment from an off-shore paying agent will receive payments on the same day that they would have received such payments had the payments been made by JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association. Payments of principal of and interest on and other amounts in respect of the Notes will be made by the Trustee to the Paying Agents from funds available in the Collection Account established under the Indenture as described herein.

All distributions in respect of the Portfolio Collateral will be deposited directly into the Collection Account and will be available to the extent described herein for the payment of amounts payable in respect of the Notes and, under the circumstances set forth herein and in the Indenture, for the applications described herein.

The Notes are subject to restrictions on transfer. See "—Form, Transfer and Transfer Restrictions." Subject to such restrictions, the Notes may be transferred or exchanged at the office designated by the Trustee for such purposes without the payment of any service charge, other than tax or other governmental charges payable in connection therewith.

Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions

**General.** The Class A-1L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest on the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof ("**Periodic Interest**" and, the amount of such periodic interest, the "**Periodic Interest Amount**" with respect to the Class A-1L Notes) (to the extent of funds available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the rate of 0.30% with respect to the Class A-1LA Notes and 0.50% with respect to the Class A-1LB Notes, *per annum* above the London interbank offered rate for three-month U.S. dollar deposits (or, for the period from the Closing Date to the first Payment Date, as described herein) ("**LIBOR**") (determined as described herein) (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class A-1LB Notes, as applicable) on the 1st day of November, February, May and August of each year, or, if any such day is not a Business Day, then on the next succeeding Business Day (each such date, a "**Payment Date**"), commencing on the November 1, 2006 Payment Date. Payments of interest on the Class A-1L Notes will be payable *pari passu* among the Class A-1L Notes and with the Class X Notes Payment as described herein. "**Periodic Interest Accrual Period**" is the period from the Closing Date through the day preceding the subsequent Payment Date and during each period thereafter from each Payment Date through the day preceding the subsequent Payment Date. To the extent Periodic Interest accrued at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to any Periodic Interest Accrual Period is not paid on the related Payment Date, the amount of such interest shortfall will accrue interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate and will be paid (to the extent funds are available therefor as described herein) on one or more subsequent Payment Dates after payment of interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to the Periodic Interest Accrual Period relating to such subsequent Payment Date (the amount of such shortfall, together with interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate, the "**Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount**" and, with the Periodic Interest Amount for such subsequent Payment Date, the "**Cumulative Interest Amount**" with respect to such Payment Date). Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed. Payments of interest to the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Payment will be payable *pari passu* among the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes as described herein.

No principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-1L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of an Initial Deposit Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-1LA Notes as described herein. On each Payment Date with respect to the Amortization Period, the principal of the Class A-1L Notes will be payable (to the extent of funds available therefor and in the order of priority described herein) first to the Class A-1LA Notes and then to the Class A-1LB Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes has been paid in full. The Class A-1LB Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Class A-1LA Notes to the extent described herein. In addition, all payments of principal on the Class A-1L Notes that are made in connection with an Initial Deposit Redemption, a Rating Confirmation Failure, a Tax Event Redemption or an Optional Redemption will be paid on a *pro rata* basis with the Class X Notes as described herein. All outstanding principal of the Class A-1L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date.

No interest will be payable in respect of the Class A-2L Notes on any Payment Date unless the Holders of the Class A-1L Notes have been paid the Cumulative Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date, the Holders of the Class X Notes have been paid the Cumulative Class X Payment due to them on such Payment Date and, in the case of the Final Maturity Date, until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full.

The Class A-2L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest on the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof ("**Periodic Interest**" and, the amount of such periodic interest, the "**Periodic Interest Amount**" with respect to the Class A-2L Notes) (to the extent of funds available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the rate of 0.65% *per annum* above LIBOR (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class A-2L Notes) on each Payment Date commencing on the November 1, 2006 Payment Date. To the extent Periodic Interest accrued at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to any Periodic Interest Accrual Period is not paid on the related Payment Date, the amount of such interest shortfall will accrue interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate and will be paid (to the extent funds are available therefor as described herein) on one or more subsequent Payment Dates after payment of interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to the Periodic Interest Accrual Period relating to such subsequent Payment Date (the amount of such shortfall, together with interest thereon at the



Applicable Periodic Rate, the "**Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount**" and, with the Periodic Interest Amount for such subsequent Payment Date, the "**Cumulative Interest Amount**" with respect to such Payment Date). Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed.

No principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-2L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-2L Notes. In connection with a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption, an Optional Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption, no principal in respect of the Class A-2L Notes will be payable until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes (other than with respect to a Special Redemption or an O/C Redemption) have been paid in full. On each Payment Date with respect to the Amortization Period after the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full, principal of the Class A-2L Notes will be payable (to the extent of funds available therefor and in the order of priority described herein) until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2L Notes has been paid in full. All outstanding principal of the Class A-2L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date. The Class A-2L Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes to the extent described herein.

No interest will be payable in respect of the Class A-3L Notes on any Payment Date unless the Holders of the Senior Class A Notes have been paid the Cumulative Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date and the Holders of the Class X Notes have been paid the Cumulative Class X Payment due to them on such Payment Date and, in the case of the Final Maturity Date, until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Senior Class A Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full.

The Class A-3L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest on the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof ("**Periodic Interest**" and, the amount of such periodic interest, the "**Periodic Interest Amount**" with respect to the Class A-3L Notes) (to the extent of funds available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the rate of 1.40% *per annum* above LIBOR (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class A-3L Notes) on each Payment Date commencing on the November 1, 2006 Payment Date. To the extent Periodic Interest accrued at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to any Periodic Interest Accrual Period is not paid on the related Payment Date, the amount of such interest shortfall will accrue interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate and will be paid (to the extent funds are available therefor as described herein) on one or more subsequent Payment Dates after payment of interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to the Periodic Interest Accrual Period relating to such subsequent Payment Date (the amount of such shortfall, together with interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate, the "**Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount**" and, with the Periodic Interest Amount for such subsequent Payment Date, the "**Cumulative Interest Amount**" with respect to such Payment Date). The failure to pay in full Periodic Interest on the Class A-3L Notes as a result of insufficient funds being available therefor will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Senior Class A Notes or Class X Notes are Outstanding. Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed.

No principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-3L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-3L Notes. On each Payment Date with respect to the Amortization Period after the Class A-1L Notes, Class A-2L Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full, principal of the Class A-3L Notes will be payable (to the extent of funds available therefor and in the order of priority described herein) until the Payment Date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes has been paid in full. In connection with a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption, an Optional Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption, no principal in respect of the Class A-3L Notes will be payable until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes, the Class A-2L Notes and (other than with respect to an O/C Redemption or a Special Redemption) the Class X Notes have been paid in full. All outstanding principal of the Class A-3L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date. The Class A-3L Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Senior Class A Notes and the Class X Notes to the extent described herein.

No interest will be payable in respect of the Class A-4L Notes on any Payment Date unless the Holders of the Class A-1L Notes and the Class A-2L Notes have been paid the Cumulative Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date, the Holders of the Class A-3L Notes have been paid the Periodic Interest Amount due to them

on such Payment Date, the Holders of the Class X Notes have been paid the Cumulative Class X Payment due to them on such Payment Date, and, in the case of the Final Maturity Date, until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Senior Class A Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full.

The Class A-4L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest on the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof ("**Periodic Interest**" and, the amount of such periodic interest, the "**Periodic Interest Amount**" with respect to the Class A-4L Notes) (to the extent of funds available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the rate of 1.70% per annum above LIBOR (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class A-3L Notes) on each Payment Date commencing on the November 1, 2006 Payment Date. To the extent Periodic Interest accrued at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to any Periodic Interest Accrual Period is not paid on the related Payment Date, the amount of such interest shortfall will accrue interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate and will be paid (to the extent funds are available therefor as described herein) on one or more subsequent Payment Dates after payment of interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to the Periodic Interest Accrual Period relating to such subsequent Payment Date (the amount of such shortfall, together with interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate, the "Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount" and, with the Periodic Interest Amount for such subsequent Payment Date, the "Cumulative Interest Amount" with respect to such Payment Date). The failure to pay in full Periodic Interest on the Class A-4L Notes as a result of insufficient funds being available therefor will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-3L Notes or Class X Notes are Outstanding. Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed.

No principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-4L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-4L Notes. On each Payment Date with respect to the Amortization Period after the Class A-1L Notes, Class A-2L Notes, Class A-3L Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full, principal of the Class A-4L Notes will be payable (to the extent of funds available therefor and in the order of priority described herein) until the Payment Date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-4L Notes has been paid in full. In connection with a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption, an Optional Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption, no principal in respect of the Class A-4L Notes will be payable until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes and (other than with respect to an O/C Redemption or a Special Redemption) the Class X Notes have been paid in full. All outstanding principal of the Class A-4L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date. The Class A-4L Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-3L Notes and the Class X Notes to the extent described herein.

No interest will be payable in respect of the Class B-1L Notes on any Payment Date unless the Holders of the Class A-1L Notes and the Class A-2L Notes have been paid the Cumulative Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date, the Holders of the Class A-3L Notes and Class A-4L Notes have been paid the Periodic Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date, the Class X Notes have been paid the Cumulative Class X Payment due to them on such Payment Date, the Overcollateralization Tests with respect to the Class A Notes and the Interest Coverage Test have been satisfied, and, on the Final Maturity Date, unless the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full.

The Class B-1L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest on the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof ("**Periodic Interest**" and, the amount of such periodic interest, the "**Periodic Interest Amount**" with respect to the Class B-1L Notes) (to the extent funds are available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the rate of 2.25% *per annum* above LIBOR (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class B-1L Notes) on each Payment Date commencing on the November 1, 2006 Payment Date. To the extent Periodic Interest accrued at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to any Periodic Interest Accrual Period is not paid on the related Payment Date, the amount of such interest shortfall will accrue interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate and will be paid (to the extent funds are available therefor as described herein) on one or more subsequent Payment Dates after payment of interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to the Periodic Interest Accrual Period relating to such subsequent Payment Date (the amount of such shortfall, together with interest thereon, at the Applicable Periodic Rate, the "**Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount**" and, together with the Periodic Interest Amount for such subsequent Payment Date, the "**Cumulative Interest Amount**" with respect to such Payment Date). The failure to pay in full Periodic Interest on the Class B-1L Notes as a result of insufficient funds being available

therefor will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Class A Notes or Class X Notes are Outstanding. Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed.

No principal will be payable in respect of the Class B-1L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full, except with respect to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement. Principal payments are not expected to begin until the commencement of the Amortization Period (except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class B-1L Notes or in connection with the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement) and are to continue until the Payment Date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes has been paid in full. In connection with a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption, an Optional Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption, no principal in respect of the Class B-1L Notes will be payable until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes and (other than with respect to an O/C Redemption or a Special Redemption) the Class X Notes have been paid in full. All outstanding principal of the Class B-1L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date. The Class B-1L Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Class A Notes and the Class X Notes to the extent described herein.

The Class X Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest on the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof ("**Periodic Interest**" and, the amount of such periodic interest, the "**Periodic Interest Amount**" with respect to the Class X Notes) (to the extent of funds available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the rate of 0.36% per annum above LIBOR (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class X Notes) on each Payment Date, commencing on the November 1, 2006 Payment Date through and including the August 1, 2013 Payment Date. Any such interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed. Such amount may be reduced in connection with a redemption of the Class X Notes, as set forth in the Indenture.

To the extent the Class X Payment is not paid on any Payment Date, the amount of such shortfall will accrue interest at the rate of 0.36% *per annum* above LIBOR (the "**Class X Periodic Interest Rate**") (to the extent funds are available therefor and subject to the priority of distribution provisions described herein) on one or more subsequent Payment Dates (the amount of such shortfall, together with interest thereon, calculated at the Class X Periodic Interest Rate, the "**Class X Shortfall Amount**" and, together with the Class X Payment for such subsequent Payment Date, the "**Cumulative Class X Payment**" with respect to such Payment Date). The Class X Shortfall Amount shall be payable after payment of the Class X Payment relating to such subsequent Payment Date. Any such interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed. The Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class X Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date of the Class X Notes.

Payments of principal on the Class X Notes that are made in connection with an Initial Deposit Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption, an Optional Redemption or a Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption will be paid on a *pro rata* basis with the Class A-1LA Notes as described herein. The Class X Notes are not subject to an O/C Redemption or a Special Redemption. The Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class X Notes will be reduced on each Payment Date by the Class X Principal Payment for such Payment Date. The Holders of the Class X Notes are entitled to receive the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class X Notes on the Final Maturity Date, whether such Final Maturity Date occurs in connection with a redemption of the Class X Notes as described herein or otherwise.

To the extent assets of the Trust Estate are insufficient to pay all amounts due on the Notes, the Co-Issuers shall have no further obligations in respect of the Notes.

The Co-Issuers will not be required to pay additional amounts to Holders of any Class of Notes if taxes or related amounts are withheld from payments on the Notes or any payments on any item of Portfolio Collateral or other assets of the Co-Issuers. However, such withholding tax on payments on items of Portfolio Collateral could result in the Notes being redeemed by the Issuer. See "—Tax Event Redemption."

Determination of LIBOR

For purposes of calculating the Applicable Periodic Rate, the Issuer initially will appoint JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as agent with respect to the determination of LIBOR (in such capacity, the "**Calculation Agent**"). LIBOR will be determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following provisions:

On the second London Business Day prior to the commencement of a Periodic Interest Accrual Period (each such day, a "**LIBOR Determination Date**"), LIBOR shall equal the rate, as obtained by the Calculation Agent, for three-month U.S. dollar deposits which appears on Telerate Page 3750 (as defined in the 2000 ISDA Definitions and as reported by Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News) or such other page as may replace such Page 3750, as of 11:00 a.m. (London time) on such LIBOR Determination Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, LIBOR for the initial Periodic Interest Accrual Period will be determined through the use of straight-line interpolation by reference to two rates calculated in accordance with the provisions above, one of which shall be for five-month U.S. dollar deposits and the other of which shall be for six-month U.S. dollar deposits.

If, on any LIBOR Determination Date, such rate does not appear on Telerate Page 3750 or such other page as may replace such Page 3750, the Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks to leading banks in the London interbank market for three-month (or five-month and six-month, as applicable) U.S. dollar deposits in an amount determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to requests for quotations as of approximately 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the LIBOR Determination Date made by the Calculation Agent to the Reference Banks. If, on any LIBOR Determination Date, at least two of the Reference Banks provide such quotations, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean of such quotations. If, on any LIBOR Determination Date, only one or none of the Reference Banks provide such quotations, LIBOR shall be deemed to be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that leading banks in The City of New York selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) are quoting on the relevant LIBOR Determination Date for three-month (or five-month and six-month, as applicable) U.S. dollar deposits in an amount determined by the Calculation Agent that is representative of a single transaction in such market at such time by reference to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market; *provided* that, if the Calculation Agent is required but is unable to determine a rate in accordance with at least one of the procedures provided above, LIBOR shall be LIBOR as determined on the previous LIBOR Determination Date. As used herein, "**Reference Banks**" means four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer).

As soon as possible after 11:00 a.m. (New York time) on each LIBOR Determination Date, but in no event later than 11:00 a.m. (New York time) on the Business Day immediately following each LIBOR Determination Date, the Calculation Agent will notify the Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer and (for so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange) the Irish Stock Exchange, of LIBOR for the next Periodic Interest Accrual Period. The Calculation Agent will also specify to the Issuer the quotations upon which LIBOR is based, and in any event the Calculation Agent shall notify the Issuer before 5:00 p.m. (New York time) on each LIBOR Determination Date that either: (i) it has determined or is in the process of determining LIBOR or (ii) it has not determined and is not in the process of determining LIBOR together with its reasons therefor.

Upon receipt of notice of LIBOR for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period from the Calculation Agent as described in the preceding paragraph, the Trustee will determine the Applicable Periodic Rate for each Class of Notes for such Periodic Interest Accrual Period and notify the Irish Stock Exchange of the Applicable Periodic Rate for each Class of Notes (for so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange). The determination of LIBOR by the Calculation Agent and the Applicable Periodic Rate by the Trustee (in the absence of manifest error) will be final and binding upon all parties.

The Calculation Agent may be removed by the Issuer at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Issuer, or if the Calculation Agent fails to determine LIBOR for a Periodic Interest Accrual Period, the Issuer will promptly appoint as a replacement Calculation Agent a leading bank which is engaged in transactions in U.S. dollar deposits in the international U.S. dollar market and which does not

control or is not controlled by or under common control with the Issuer or its affiliates. The Calculation Agent may not resign or be removed from its duties without a successor having been duly appointed.

#### Adjusted Collateral Collections

On each Payment Date, in accordance with the Note Valuation Report for the Calculation Date immediately preceding such Payment Date, Collateral Interest Collections, to the extent of Available Funds in the Collection Account (excluding from such Available Funds any Collateral Disposition Proceeds received during the Due Period relating to such Calculation Date to be applied by the Trustee during the related Due Period or the immediately succeeding Due Period to purchase Substitute Portfolio Collateral and, with respect to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral as described in the Indenture, certain Collateral Principal Collections with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment to purchase Portfolio Collateral prior to the end of such Due Period), and a portion of the proceeds from the sale of the Notes in an amount equal to U.S.\$1,600,000 (the "**Reserve Amount**") to fund a portion of the payments to be made in accordance with Priority of Payments on any Payment Date constituting Collateral Interest Collections or Collateral Principal Collections at the direction of the Servicer, will be applied by the Trustee to pay each of the following in the order of priority set forth below:

(A) the Trustee Administrative Expenses with respect to such Payment Date and any Trustee Administrative Expenses with respect to a previous Payment Date that were not paid on a previous Payment Date,

(B) the Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses with respect to such Payment Date and any Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses that were not paid on a previous Payment Date,

(C) the Issuer Base Administrative Expenses with respect to such Payment Date and any Issuer Base Administrative Expenses with respect to a previous Payment Date that were not paid on a previous Payment Date,

(D) for the replenishment of the Expense Reimbursement Account up to an amount equal to U.S.\$50,000 to the extent any of the amounts referred to in clause (C) have already been paid from funds on deposit therein (the aggregate of the amounts set forth in clauses (A), (B), (C) and (D) shall not exceed (i) U.S.\$250,000 *per annum* plus (ii) the greater of U.S.\$75,000 *per annum* and 0.0275% *per annum* of the Aggregate Par Amount on the related Calculation Date, and

(E) the Base Servicing Fee with respect to such Payment Date, and any Base Servicing Fee that was not paid on a previous Payment Date, and to the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend with respect to such Payment Date, and any Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend that was not paid on a previous Payment Date (the aggregate of clauses (A), (B), (C), (D) and (E), the "**Aggregate Base Fees and Expenses**").

Collateral Interest Collections net of the Aggregate Base Fees and Expenses payable on a Payment Date, represent "**Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections**" for such Payment Date.

On each Payment Date, in accordance with the Note Valuation Report for the Calculation Date immediately preceding such Payment Date, Collateral Principal Collections, to the extent of Available Funds in the Collection Account (excluding from such Available Funds any Collateral Disposition Proceeds received during the Due Period relating to such Calculation Date to be applied by the Trustee during the related Due Period or the immediately succeeding Due Period to purchase Substitute Portfolio Collateral and, with respect to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral as described in the Indenture, certain Collateral Principal Collections with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment to purchase Portfolio Collateral prior to the end of such Due Period), will be applied by the Trustee to pay the Aggregate Base Fees and Expenses, in the order set forth above, to the extent not paid or replenished from Collateral Interest Collections with respect to such Payment Date (the remaining amount, the "**Adjusted Collateral Principal Collections**" for such Payment Date).

Revolving Period.I. Collateral Interest Collections.

On each Payment Date with respect to the **Revolving Period**, Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections for such Payment Date will be applied by the Trustee in the following order of priority:

(i) to pay, *pari passu*, (i) the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class A-1LB Notes and such Payment Date and, (ii) on each Payment Date through the August 1, 2013 Payment Date, the Cumulative Class X Payment with respect to the Class X Notes and such Payment Date;

(ii) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-2L Notes and such Payment Date;

(iii) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-3L Notes and such Payment Date;

(iv) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-4L Notes and such Payment Date;

(v) to the payment of principal in the amount, if any, required to be paid in order to satisfy the Class A Overcollateralization Test and, on each Payment Date after the second Payment Date, the Interest Coverage Test, such amount to be paid first, to the Class A-1LA Notes; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes; third, to the Class A-2L Notes, fourth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class A-3L Notes, and then to principal of the Class A-3L Notes; and fifth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class A-4L Notes, and then to principal of the A-4L Notes, in that order, until each such Class is paid in full, to the extent required to satisfy the Class A Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test;

(vi) to pay the Periodic Interest Amount with respect to the Class B-1L Notes and such Payment Date;

(vii) to the payment of principal as an O/C Redemption or a Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption in the amount, if any, required to be paid in order to satisfy the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test or in order to receive a Rating Confirmation, as applicable, such amount to be paid first, *pro rata*, to the Class X Notes, only in connection with a Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption, and to the Class A-1LA Notes; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes; third, to the Class A-2L Notes; fourth, any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class A-3L and then to principal of the Class A-3L Notes; and fifth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class A-4L Notes and then to principal of the Class A-4L Notes and sixth, to principal of the Class B-1L Notes, in that order, until each such Class is paid in full, to the extent required to satisfy the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test or in order to receive a Rating Confirmation, as applicable;

(viii) to the payment to the Holders of the Class B-1L Notes of an amount equal to the Cumulative Interest Amount for the Class B-1L Notes and such Payment Date to the extent not paid to the Holders of the Class B-1L Notes pursuant to clauses (vi) and (vii) of this section;

(ix) on each Payment Date after the second Payment Date, *pro rata*, to the extent of available funds, an amount equal to 35% of the funds available up to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement to the payment of principal of the Class B-1L Notes until such Class is paid in full and an amount equal to 65% (or, after the Class B-1L Notes are paid in full, 100%) of the funds available up to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral (other than CLO Securities) as directed by the Servicer or the Issuer meeting certain specified requirements set forth in the Indenture and described herein during the Due Period in which such Payment Date occurs or the immediately succeeding Due Period;

(x) to the payment to the Default Swap Counterparty any Default Swap Counterparty Termination Payment;

(xi) to the payment, *first* (a) to the Servicer of the Additional Servicing Fee with respect to such Payment Date and (b) to the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend then due and unpaid, and *second*, to the Holders of the Notes any due and unpaid Extension Bonus Payment;

(xii) to the payment to the Issuer of the Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses with respect to such Payment Date and then any Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses with respect to a previous Payment Date that were not paid on a previous Payment Date;

(xiii) if the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares as of such Payment Date is less than 12%, to the payment to the Holders of the Preferred Shares, but only up to an amount that would cause the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares to equal 12% and;

(xiv) any remaining amounts, (a) 20% to (x) the payment of the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date, and (y) the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Supplemental Dividend then due and unpaid, and (b) 80% to the Holders of the Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, as a dividend thereon or as a redemption payment on the Redemption Date, as applicable.

## II. Collateral Principal Collections.

On each Payment Date with respect to the **Revolving Period**, Adjusted Collateral Principal Collections for such Payment Date will be applied by the Trustee in the following order of priority:

(i) to the payment of the amounts described in clauses (i) through (vii) with respect to Collateral Interest Collections and the Revolving Period, in the order described therein, in each case to the extent such amounts have not been paid from Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections with respect to such Payment Date; *provided however* that, with respect to the payment described in clause (iii) above, so long as any Class X Notes, Class A-1L Notes or Class A-2L Notes are Outstanding, the Class A-3L Notes shall only be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Interest Amount (or, after the Class A-2L Notes are paid in full, the Cumulative Interest Amount) due to the Class A-3L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections, but only to the extent this payment will not cause the failure of the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test, with respect to (iv) above, so long as any Class X Notes, Class A-1L Notes, Class A-2L Notes or Class A-3L Notes are Outstanding, the Class A-4L Notes shall only be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Interest Amount (or, after the Class A-3L Notes are paid in full, the Cumulative Interest Amount) due to the Class A-4L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections, but only to the extent this payment will not cause the failure of the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test, and with respect to (vi) above, so long as any Class X Notes, Class A-1L Notes, Class A-2L Notes, Class A-3L Notes or Class A-4L Notes are Outstanding, the Class B-1L Notes shall only be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Interest Amount due to the Class B-1L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections but only to the extent this payment will not cause the failure of the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test; and *provided further*, so long as any Class A-1L Notes or Class A-2L Notes are not Outstanding, the Class A-3L Notes shall be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount due to the Class A-3L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections and, so long as any Class A-1L Notes, Class A-2L Notes or Class A-3L Notes are not Outstanding, the Class A-4L Notes shall be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount due to the Class A-4L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections, and then any remaining amounts shall be distributed pursuant to clauses (v) through (vii) above, in the order described therein;

(ii) to pay principal of the Notes in a Special Redemption, such amount to be paid first, (A) to the Class A-1LA Notes; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes; third, to the Class A-2L Notes; fourth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class A-3L Notes; fifth, to principal of the Class A-3L Notes; sixth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class A-4L Notes; seventh, to principal of the Class A-4L Notes; and eighth, to the Class B-1L Notes, in that order, until each such Class is paid in full; and

(iii) as directed by the Servicer or the Issuer (or deposited by the Trustee in the Collection Account), to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral meeting the specified requirements no later than the last day of the Due Period relating to the Payment Date next following such Payment Date, such amounts to be applied in the manner described herein.

Amortization Period.

I. Collateral Interest Collections.

On each Payment Date with respect to the **Amortization Period**, Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections for such Payment Date will be applied by the Trustee in the following order of priority:

(i) to pay, *pari passu*, (i) the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class A-1LB Notes and such Payment Date and (ii) on each Payment Date through the August 2013 Payment Date, the Cumulative Class X Payment with respect to the Class X Notes and such Payment Date;

(ii) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-2L Notes and such Payment Date;

(iii) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-3L Notes and such Payment Date;

(iv) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-4L Notes and such Payment Date;

(v) to the payment of principal as an O/C Redemption in the amount, if any, required to be paid in order to satisfy the Class A Overcollateralization Test and, on each Payment Date after the second Payment Date, the Interest Coverage Test, such amount to be paid first, to the Class A-1LA Notes; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes; third, to the Class A-2L Notes, fourth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class A-3L Notes and then to principal of the Class A-3L Notes; and fifth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class A-4L Notes and then to principal of the A-4L Notes, in that order, until each such Class is paid in full, to the extent required to satisfy the Class A Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test;

(vi) to pay the Periodic Interest Amount with respect to the Class B-1L Notes and such Payment Date;

(vii) to the payment of principal as an O/C Redemption in the amount, if any, required to be paid in order to satisfy the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test, such amount to be paid first, to the Class A-1LA Notes; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes; third, to the Class A-2L Notes; fourth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount and then to principal of the Class A-3L Notes; and fifth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount and then to principal of the Class B-1L Notes, in that order, until each such Class is paid in full, to the extent required to satisfy the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test;

(viii) to the payment to the Holders of the Class B-1L Notes of an amount equal to the Cumulative Interest Amount for the Class B-1L Notes and such Payment Date to the extent not paid to the Holders of the Class B-1L Notes pursuant to clauses (vi) and (vii) of this section;

(ix) to the payment of, *pro rata*, to the extent of available funds, an amount equal to 35% of the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement to the payment of principal of the Class B-1L Notes until such Class is paid in full and an amount equal to 65% (or, after the Class B-1L Notes are paid in full, 100%) of the funds available up to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement to the payment of principal of the Notes (other than the Class X Notes) in the order of priority described in clause (vii) above;

(x) to the payment to the Default Swap Counterparty any Default Swap Counterparty Termination Payment;

(xi) to the payment, *first* (a) to the Servicer of the Additional Servicing Fee with respect to such Payment Date and (b) to the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer



Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend then due and unpaid, and *second*, to the Holders of the Notes any due and unpaid Extension Bonus Payment;

(xii) to the payment to the Issuer of the Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses with respect to such Payment Date and then any Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses with respect to a previous Payment Date that were not paid on a previous Payment Date;

(xiii) if the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares as of such Payment Date is less than 12%, to the payment to the Holders of the Preferred Shares, but only up to an amount that would cause the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares to equal 12% and;

(xiv) any remaining amounts, (a) 20% to (x) the payment of the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date, and (y) the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Supplemental Dividend then due and unpaid, and (b) 80% to the Holders of the Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, as a dividend thereon or as a redemption payment on the Redemption Date, as applicable.

## II. Collateral Principal Collections.

On each Payment Date with respect to the **Amortization Period**, Adjusted Collateral Principal Collections with respect to such Payment Date will be applied by the Trustee in the following order of priority:

(i) to the payment of the amounts described in clauses (i) through (vii) with respect to Collateral Interest Collections and the Amortization Period, in the order described therein, in each case to the extent such amounts have not been paid from Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections with respect to such Payment Date; *provided however* that, with respect to the payment described in clause (iii) above, so long as any Class X Notes, Class A-1L Notes or Class A-2L Notes are Outstanding, the Class A-3L Notes shall only be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Interest Amount (or, after the Class A-2L Notes are paid in full, the Cumulative Interest Amount) due to the Class A-3L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections, but only to the extent this payment will not cause the failure of the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test, with respect to (iv) above, so long as any Class X Notes, Class A-1L Notes, Class A-2L Notes or Class A-3L Notes are Outstanding, the Class A-4L Notes shall only be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Interest Amount (or, after the Class A-3L Notes are paid in full, the Cumulative Interest Amount) due to the Class A-4L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections, but only to the extent this payment will not cause the failure of the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test, and with respect to (vi) above, so long as any Class X Notes, Class A-1L Notes, Class A-2L Notes, Class A-3L Notes or Class A-4L Notes are Outstanding, the Class B-1L Notes shall only be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Interest Amount due to the Class B-1L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections but only to the extent this payment will not cause the failure of the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test; and *provided further*, so long as any Class A-1L Notes or Class A-2L Notes are not Outstanding, the Class A-3L Notes shall be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount due to the Class A-3L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections and , so long as any Class A-1L Notes, Class A-2L Notes or Class A-3L Notes are not Outstanding, the Class A-4L Notes shall be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount due to the Class A-4L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections, and then any remaining amounts shall be distributed pursuant to clauses (v) through (vii) above, in the order described therein;

(ii) so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing and as directed by the Servicer or the Issuer (or deposited by the Trustee in the Collection Account), to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral from the proceeds of Collateral Principal Collections from any unscheduled prepayment or to the purchase of Substitute Portfolio Collateral from the sales proceeds of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, meeting the specified requirements with respect to the Amortization Period no later than ninety days after receipt of such amounts, to be applied in the manner described herein; and

(iii) to pay the Notes as follows: first, to the Class A-1LA Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; third, to the Class A-2L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; fourth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class A-3L Notes and then to principal of the Class A-3L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; fifth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class A-4L Notes and then to principal of the Class A-4L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; and sixth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to Class B-1L Notes and then to principal of the Class B-1L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full.

Final Maturity Date.

On the **Final Maturity Date** (including an Optional Redemption Date or a Tax Event Redemption or any other Payment Date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes is paid in full as described herein), in accordance with the Note Valuation Report for the Calculation Date immediately preceding the Final Maturity Date (or in the case of an Optional Redemption or a Tax Event Redemption, in accordance with the related redemption date statement delivered pursuant to the Indenture), Available Funds in the Collection Account in an amount equal to the sum of Adjusted Collateral Collections *plus* Collateral Disposition Proceeds, together with all available funds in the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Loan Funding Account, will be applied by the Trustee in the following order of priority:

- (i) to pay, *pari passu*, the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-1LA Notes, the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-1LB Notes and such Payment Date and the Class X Shortfall Amount plus the Periodic Interest Amount for the Class X Notes and such Payment Date;
- (ii) first, to pay the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes and then to pay the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LB Notes;
- (iii) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-2L Notes and such Payment Date;
- (iv) to pay the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2L Notes;
- (v) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-3L Notes and such Payment Date;
- (vi) to pay the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes;
- (vii) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-4L Notes and such Payment Date;
- (viii) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class B-1L Notes and such Payment Date;
- (ix) to pay the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes;
- (x) to pay any Default Swap Counterparty Termination Payments;
- (xi) to pay, *first*, (a) to the Servicer the Additional Servicing Fee with respect to such Payment Date and (b) to the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend then due and unpaid and, *second*, to the Holders of the Notes any due and unpaid Extension Bonus Payment;

(xii) to pay to the Issuer the Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses with respect to such Payment Date and any Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses with respect to a previous Payment Date that were not paid on a previous Payment Date;

(xiii) if the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares as of such Payment Date is less than 12%, to the payment to the Holders of the Preferred Shares, but only up to an amount that would cause the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares to equal 12%; and

(xiv) any remaining amounts, (a) 20% to (x) the payment of the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date, and (y) the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Supplemental Dividend then due and unpaid, and (b) 80% to the Holders of the Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, as a redemption payment on the Redemption Date, as applicable.

The amount and frequency of principal and interest payments will depend on, among other things, the extent to which the Portfolio Collateral pledged to secure the Notes become items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, are subject to early payment provisions or are retired prior to the Final Maturity Date through mandatory or optional redemption, sale, maturity or other liquidation or disposition and the extent to which Additional Portfolio Collateral meeting the requirements specified herein are available for purchase in circumstances in which Available Funds are to be used for the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral or in circumstances in which the Issuer may dispose of Portfolio Collateral and apply the proceeds thereof to the purchase of Substitute Portfolio Collateral as described herein as well as other factors, including the interest rates obtained in connection with the purchase of any such item of Portfolio Collateral or any Eligible Investment in which funds held in the accounts described herein may be maintained.

Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, with respect to Adjusted Collateral Collections held in the Collection Account in Eligible Investments pending application to purchase Portfolio Collateral, any such amounts not used to purchase Portfolio Collateral by the last day of the Due Period next succeeding the Due Period in which such amounts were collected may be used to purchase Portfolio Collateral in subsequent Due Periods in accordance with "Security for the Notes."

In addition, notwithstanding anything to the contrary, upon the direction of the Issuer (as directed by and in the time and manner directed by the Servicer), Payment Date Equity Securities may be distributed on any Payment Date in lieu of cash as follows:

(i) Payment Date Equity Securities will be paid as Collateral Interest Collections in accordance with the Priority of Payments with respect to the Preferred Shares, and upon such payment, the aggregate amount of Collateral Interest Collections distributable to the Holders of the Preferred Shares on such Payment Date will be reduced by the value of such Payment Date Equity Securities. Payment Date Equity Securities distributed on any Payment Date shall be distributed to the Holders of the Preferred Shares in the same manner as Collateral Interest Collections would be distributable to such Holders of Preferred Shares on such Payment Date and subject to the same restriction as to payment set out in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement; and

(ii) in calculating the amounts of Collateral Interest Collections and Collateral Principal Collections for such Payment Date, Collateral Interest Collections in an amount equal to the value of Payment Date Equity Securities distributed to the Holders of the Preferred Shares shall be recharacterized as Collateral Principal Collections and distributed in accordance with the Priority of Payments herein.

#### Overcollateralization Tests

The "**Overcollateralization Tests**" are applicable until the Notes are retired and all amounts payable in respect thereof are paid, and are satisfied if the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class A Overcollateralization Percentage (the "**Class A Overcollateralization Test**") and the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Percentage (the "**Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test**").

The "**Class A Overcollateralization Percentage**" is 107% and the "**Class B-1L Overcollateralization Percentage**" is 106%.

The "**Class A Overcollateralization Ratio**" means, with respect to a determination made as of any date of calculation, the ratio (expressed as a percentage) obtained by dividing (a) the sum of (1) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate as of such date, calculated in accordance with the Overcollateralization Ratio Adjustment *plus* (2) the sum of the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Collection Account representing Collateral Principal Collections *plus* the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Initial Deposit Account *plus* unpaid Purchased Accrued Interest, each as of such date by (b) the sum of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes (including for this purpose any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts with respect to such Classes of Notes not paid when due, until such amounts, if any, are paid in full) as of such date.

The "**Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio**" is calculated in the same manner, but reduces the numerator by the Overcollateralization Haircut Amount and includes in the denominator the Class B-1L Notes (including, in each case any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts with respect to such Classes of Notes not paid when due, until any such amounts are paid in full).

With respect to an item of Portfolio Collateral that it is both eligible to be included in the Overcollateralization Haircut Amount and is subject to an Overcollateralization Ratio Adjustment, for purposes of calculating the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio, such item of Portfolio Collateral will not be discounted multiple times, but will be treated in the category that results in the largest discount to the par amount of the Portfolio Collateral.

The "**Overcollateralization Ratio Adjustment**" means, for purposes of calculating the Overcollateralization Ratios (i) items of Equity Portfolio Collateral shall not be included as Portfolio Collateral, (ii) items of Deferred Interest PIK Bonds and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral shall be included at the lesser of (a) the Market Value of such Deferred Interest PIK Bond and item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and (b) the Applicable Percentage for such Deferred Interest PIK Bond and item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral multiplied by its Principal Balance; *provided that* any Portfolio Loan that has been an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral for four years shall not be included as Portfolio Collateral and any CLO Security that has been an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral for three years shall not be included as Portfolio Collateral, (iii) with respect to items of Discount Portfolio Collateral, an amount equal to the original purchase price of such item of Discount Portfolio Collateral shall be included as Portfolio Collateral and (iv) to the extent the Aggregate Principal Amount of Current Pay Obligations exceeds 7.5% of the Aggregate Par Amount, such excess shall be included as Defaulted Portfolio Collateral. If an item of Portfolio Collateral could be classified in more than one of the categories set forth in clauses (i) through (iv), such item of Portfolio Collateral will not be discounted multiple times but will be treated in the applicable category that results in the largest discount to the par amount of such item of Portfolio Collateral. Notwithstanding the foregoing, there may be included as Portfolio Collateral (with respect to items (i) through (iv) above) such greater amount as confirmed by the Rating Agencies which will not result in a reduction or withdrawal of the then-current ratings assigned by them to any Class of the Notes.

#### Applicability of Overcollateralization Tests

At any time that the Notes are Outstanding, if any Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on any Calculation Date related to a Payment Date, amounts that are junior in right of payment to such Overcollateralization Test as described under "—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", will be applied to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes (or, in the case of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes and Class B-1L Notes, first to pay Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts and then to pay principal), in the order described under "—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", in an O/C Redemption to the extent necessary to satisfy the applicable Overcollateralization Tests (recalculated on such Payment Date, but as of such Calculation Date, after taking into account such O/C Redemption) in accordance with the provisions described herein.

In addition, generally, satisfaction or, in certain cases, maintenance, of both Overcollateralization Tests is a condition to the purchase or sale of Portfolio Collateral during certain specified periods. See "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral".

Interest Coverage Test

The "**Interest Coverage Test**" is applicable on each Payment Date after the second Payment Date and will be satisfied as of such Payment Date if the Interest Coverage Ratio is at least equal to 1.5%. The "**Interest Coverage Ratio**" means, with respect to any Payment Date after the second Payment Date, a number (expressed as a percentage) calculated by dividing (a) four times the amount by which (i) the Collateral Interest Collections received or scheduled to be received during the Due Period in which such calculation occurs (other than Collateral Interest Collections (including deferred interest thereon) scheduled to be received on any item of Portfolio Collateral that is not paying or expected to pay current interest), exceeds (ii) the Periodic Reserve Amount (excluding amounts payable on the Class B-1L Notes) as of such Payment Date, by (b) the Aggregate Principal Amount of Class A Notes with respect to such Payment Date, as adjusted, to take into account any O/C Redemption to occur on the Payment Date related to such Due Period pursuant the Indenture.

Applicability of Interest Coverage Test

At any time after the second Payment Date that any of the Notes are Outstanding, if the Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied on any Calculation Date related to a Payment Date, amounts that are junior in right of payment to the Interest Coverage Test as described under "—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", will be applied to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes in the order described under "—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", in an O/C Redemption to the extent necessary to satisfy the Interest Coverage Test (recalculated on such Payment Date, but as of such Calculation Date, after taking into account such O/C Redemption) in accordance with the provisions described herein.

In addition, satisfaction of the Interest Coverage Test on the prior Payment Date is a condition to certain purchases and sales of Portfolio Collateral during certain specified periods as described herein. See "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral."

Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement

On each Payment Date after the second Payment Date, even if the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test are satisfied, Collateral Interest Collections that would otherwise be used for payments that are junior in right of payment to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement, as described under "—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions—Revolving Period," will be applied during the Revolving Period, to the payment of principal of the Class B-1L Notes and will be made available to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral or, during the Amortization Period, will be applied to the payment of the Class B-1L Notes and to pay principal of the Notes (other than the Class X Notes) in the order described under "—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions—Amortization Period." The "Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement" with respect to any Payment Date is the amount necessary such that:

(a) the sum of:

(i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date, *plus*

(ii) the sum of the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Collection Account representing Collateral Principal Collections *plus* the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Initial Deposit Account *plus* unpaid Purchased Accrued Interest as of such date, less

(iii) the Overcollateralization Haircut Amount (if any),

equals or exceeds:

(b) 107% of the amount necessary, after giving effect to the amount applied to any O/C Redemption of the Notes (other than the Class X Notes) to satisfy the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test (if applicable) on such Payment Date, to repay the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes (other than the Class X Notes), including any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Additional Collateral

Deposit Requirement is a positive number that is more than the amount available therefor in the Priority of Payments, then the amount distributed with respect to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement shall be such lesser amount available.

For purposes of the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement, no item of Equity Portfolio Collateral shall be included as Portfolio Collateral. In addition for purposes of this requirement, (i) with respect to Defaulted Portfolio Collateral as to which there has occurred a payment default or an event of bankruptcy, only the portion equal to the lesser of (a) the Market Value of such item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and (b) the Applicable Percentage multiplied by the Principal Balance of such item of Portfolio Collateral, shall be included as Portfolio Collateral and (ii) with respect to items of Discount Portfolio Collateral, only an amount equal to the original purchase price of such item of Discount Portfolio Collateral shall be included as Portfolio Collateral. For purposes of calculating the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement, to the extent an item of Portfolio Collateral is considered Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, Discount Portfolio Collateral and/or is included in the Overcollateralization Haircut Amount, such item of Portfolio Collateral will not be discounted multiple times, but will be treated in the category that results in the largest discount to the par amount of the Portfolio Collateral.

#### Rating Confirmation Failure

The Issuer will request that each Rating Agency confirm after the Effective Date that it has not reduced or withdrawn (and not restored) the ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes (a "**Rating Confirmation**"). If the Issuer is unable to obtain a Rating Confirmation by the 35th day after the Effective Date (a "**Rating Confirmation Failure**"), on the next Payment Date and on each subsequent Payment Date during the Revolving Period, amounts that are junior in right of payment to such Rating Confirmation Failure, as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", will be applied to the redemption of the Notes (or, in the case of the Class B-1L Notes, first to pay Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts, then to pay principal) until each such Class is paid in full, in the order and according to the priorities described herein (a "**Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption**"), to the extent necessary to receive a Rating Confirmation, in accordance with the provisions described herein. The Trustee will give notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange if any Class of Notes is then listed on the Irish Stock Exchange.

#### O/C Redemption

If on any Calculation Date any of the Overcollateralization Tests or the Interest Coverage Test are required to be satisfied and are not satisfied, amounts that are junior in right of payment to such test as described under "—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", will be applied to the redemption of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes (or, in the case of the Class B-1L Notes, first to pay Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts, then to pay principal) in the order described under "—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions" (an "**O/C Redemption**") to the extent necessary in order to satisfy both the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test. A redemption of the Notes through a Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption or an O/C Redemption is sometimes referred to herein as a "**Mandatory Redemption**". Any Mandatory Redemption will be effected at par. The Class X Notes are not subject to O/C Redemption, but are subject to Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption. The Trustee will give notice of a Mandatory Redemption to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange if any Class of Notes is then listed on the Irish Stock Exchange.

#### Initial Deposit Redemption

On the Effective Date, to the extent that the full amount of the Deposit is not used to purchase or committed to be used to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral having an Aggregate Principal Amount (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to the Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date) at least equal to the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount in accordance with the guidelines described herein and in the Indenture, an amount (not in excess of the amount of the Deposit not so used to purchase or committed to be used to purchase) equal to the excess of the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount over the par amount of Portfolio Collateral actually acquired (or committed to be acquired) (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to the Original

Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date) will be applied by the Issuer on the November 2006 Payment Date (the "**Initial Deposit Redemption Date**") to make principal payments on the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class X Notes, on a *pro rata* basis (an "**Initial Deposit Redemption**") except, if the amount of the Deposit not so used to purchase or committed to be used to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral does not exceed U.S.\$2,000,000 in the aggregate, such amount will be transferred to the Collection Account on the Effective Date and applied as Collateral Principal Collections. The Trustee will give notice of an Initial Deposit Redemption to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange if any Class of Notes is then listed on the Irish Stock Exchange.

#### Optional Redemption

On any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period (the "**Optional Redemption Date**," which date shall be considered the Final Maturity Date in the case of a Total Optional Redemption (as hereinafter defined)), subject to satisfaction of certain conditions described herein, the Notes will be redeemed, in whole or in part, by the Co-Issuers or the Issuer, as applicable, in accordance with the priority of distributions described herein, if such redemption is directed by the holders of Preferred Shares in the amounts described below.

(a) In the case of an Optional Redemption in whole (a "**Total Optional Redemption**"):

(i) the Holders of at least 75% of the outstanding Preferred Shares eligible to vote direct the Co-Issuer or the Issuer to redeem the Notes; *provided* that any Preferred Shares beneficially owned or controlled by the Servicer, entities affiliated with the Servicer or clients of the Servicer (collectively, the "**Servicer Entities**") in excess of the Original HFP Share Amount, shall be excluded from, and be deemed ineligible to participate in, any such vote to direct any Total Optional Redemption;

(ii) sufficient liquidation proceeds from the Portfolio Collateral must exist to effect the redemption of all Notes in full at their Redemption Price in accordance with the priority of distributions described herein; and

(b) in the case of an Optional Redemption in part (a "**Partial Optional Redemption**" and together with a Total Optional Redemption, referred to herein as an "**Optional Redemption**"):

(i) the Holders of at least 10% of the outstanding Preferred Shares eligible to vote direct the Co-Issuer or the Issuer to redeem the Notes in part; *provided* that any Preferred Shares beneficially owned or controlled by the Servicer Entities, including any HFP Shares, shall be excluded from, and be deemed ineligible to participate in, any such vote to direct any Partial Optional Redemption;

(ii) the Holders of Preferred Shares directing such Partial Optional Redemption shall specify the percentage of Notes that will be subject to redemption *pro rata* (the "**Partial Redemption Percentage**"); *provided* that the Partial Redemption Percentage must be the percentage equivalent to at least 10% of the aggregate outstanding principal amount of the Notes as of the Closing Date; and

(iii) the following conditions must be satisfied:

(1) the Partial Redemption Percentage of the Notes must be redeemed *pro rata* at their respective Optional Redemption Price,

(2) the Collateral Quality Matrix tests, Overcollateralization Tests, Interest Coverage Tests and any other eligibility criteria with respect to the Portfolio Collateral must be satisfied before and after giving effect to such redemption; *provided* that the degree of compliance with the Moody's Weighted Average Rating Test and the Weighted Average Margin Test shall not be diminished after giving effect to such redemption,

(3) any applicable Default Swaps of the Issuer must be modified or terminated in a manner consistent with the economic effect of such redemption and in consideration of the Portfolio Collateral and Eligible Investments that will be owned by the Issuer after giving effect to such redemption, and any net termination payments payable by the Issuer must be paid,

(4) the Rating Condition must be satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency,

(5) not more than three (3) prior Partial Optional Redemptions may have occurred, and

(6) no claims may be pending against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and no judgments may have been rendered against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer which exceed, or reasonably could be expected to result in liabilities that exceed, in the aggregate, \$100,000, unless adequate funds have been reserved or set aside for the payment thereof.

In connection with any Optional Redemption, the Issuer may use all funds credited to the Collection Account to provide for payment of the Optional Redemption Price. If there are not sufficient funds in the Collection Account as of the date the notice of redemption is given to pay the Optional Redemption Price on the Optional Redemption Date and all such payments, fees and expenses (including any termination payments with respect to any Synthetic Securities and any Default Swaps), the Servicer is required to give the Trustee written direction to sell Portfolio Collateral in an amount sufficient to provide funds to pay the Optional Redemption Price in full. The Trustee will give notice of an Optional Redemption to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange if any Class of Notes is then listed on the Irish Stock Exchange.

The Servicer shall have the right to purchase the Preferred Shares held by any Holder that directs the Issuer to effect a Partial Optional Redemption at a price equal to the liquidation value of such Preferred Shares.

#### Tax Event Redemption

The Notes are also subject to redemption on any Payment Date, at the option of the Issuer, in whole but not in part, at the direction of at least 66-2/3% of the Preferred Shares or a majority of the Controlling Class (but only if the Aggregate Principal Balance of Portfolio Collateral is less than 100% of the Class A-1L Notes) on any Payment Date at the Tax Event Redemption Price, if as a result of (i) change in tax law, rule or regulation or the interpretation thereof, the payments to be received on the Portfolio Collateral are reduced as a result of the imposition of withholding tax, (ii) the Issuer is otherwise subjected to tax such that the income of the Issuer is reduced in an amount determined by such holders of Preferred Shares to be material, (iii) (A) one or more items of Portfolio Collateral that were not subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them have become subject to withholding tax or the rate of withholding has increased on one or more items of Portfolio Collateral that were subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them and (B) in any Due Period the aggregate of the payments subject to withholding tax on new withholding tax obligations and the increase in payments subject to withholding tax on increased rate withholding tax obligations, in each case to the extent not "grossed-up" (on an after-tax basis) by the related obligor, represent 5% or more of Interest Proceeds for the Due Period, or (iv) taxes, fees, assessments or other similar charges are imposed on the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in an aggregate amount in any 12-month period in excess of \$2,000,000, other than liabilities for withholding taxes included in clause (iii) above.

As the result of the ownership of Preferred Shares and Notes by the Servicer Entities, and the ability to vote the Preferred Shares and the Notes owned by the Servicer Entities up to a maximum amount equal to the Original HFP Share Amount, the affirmative vote or approval of the Preferred Shares owned by such Servicer Entities, may be required in order to cause an Optional Redemption or a Tax Redemption of the Notes.

#### Special Redemption

The Notes (other than the Class X Notes) are subject to redemption in part on any Payment Date (and on one or more Payment Dates) during the Revolving Period, at the option of the Issuer acting at the direction of the Servicer, if more than U.S.\$2,000,000 of Collateral Principal Collections received are not applied to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral selected by the Servicer and satisfying the criteria described herein by the earlier of ninety days of receipt or the last day of the Revolving Period, in an amount of at least U.S.\$2,000,000 as described under "—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions—Revolving Period—Collateral Principal Collections".



The Trustee will give notice of any redemption which the Issuer and the Servicer have directed to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange if any Class of Notes is then listed on the Irish Stock Exchange.

Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date

*General*

The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Revolving Period to the applicable Extended Revolving Period End Date up to a maximum of four times (so that the Notes can only be extended to 2037) if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously affected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date, (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied, (iii) the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Revolving Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date and (iv) no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing. If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Final Maturity Date of the Notes (other than the Class X Notes) shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Final Maturity Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Notes (other than the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes) or Preferred Shares (other than as may be required pursuant to the Extension Conditions) or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or any other transaction document (the "**Maturity Extension**"). In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes or Preferred Shares wishing to sell such Notes or Preferred Shares to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to "—Extension Procedure" below (such Notes or Preferred Shares as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, "**Extension Sale Securities**"). Each Holder providing an Extension Sale Notice shall be deemed to agree that no Extension Sale Securities shall be purchased unless all Extension Sale Securities are purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date and the other Extension Conditions are satisfied as of such date. The Maturity Extension shall be effective only if the following conditions (the "**Extension Conditions**") are satisfied:

(i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the applicable Extension Effective Date;

(ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions herein, in the Indenture and the Preferred Share Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement immediately after such purchase and the legends on such Notes and Preferred Shares and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency);

(iii) (a) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to S&P (so long as any Notes are then rated by S&P) and (b) either (A) the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio is at least 107.5% and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied as of the related Extension Determination Date and the Interest Coverage Test was satisfied on the immediately preceding Payment Date, the rating of each Class of Notes by Moody's has not been downgraded, withdrawn or qualified from that in effect on the Closing Date (unless it subsequently has been reinstated to the rating assigned on the Closing Date) or (B) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to Moody's (so long as any Notes are then rated by Moody's); and

(iv) (a) the Holders of 100% of the Outstanding Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes have delivered the Extension Sale Notice in the Extension Sale Notice Period or (b) if the Holders of 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes fail to deliver an Extension Sale Notice pursuant to the preceding clause (a), either (A) the Issuer, acting through the Servicer, notifies the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes in writing not later than the last day of the Extension Sale Notice Period that such Class A-1LA Notes shall constitute "Extension Sale Securities" (as a result of which such Class A-1LA Notes must be purchased by an Extension Qualifying Purchaser) or (B) the Holders of 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes have consented in writing to the Maturity Extension not later than the last day of the Extension Sale Notice Period.

In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Holder of Notes other than Extension Sale Securities and the Class X Notes shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment. Holders of Preferred Shares shall not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment. The obligation to make any Extension Bonus Payment shall not be rated by the Rating Agencies. The Extension Bonus Payment shall be payable to any applicable qualifying beneficial owners who have provided the Trustee with an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification. Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with the priority of distributions on a Payment Date shall not be considered "due and payable" hereunder. The failure to pay any such Extension Bonus Payment on such date shall not be an Event of Default, unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Final Maturity Date and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Notes. Unpaid Extension Bonus Payments shall not accrue interest. Such amounts shall be paid to the accounts designated in the applicable Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification or, to the extent otherwise required by the rules of any applicable securities exchange or clearing agency, in a manner determined by the Issuer.

#### *Extension Procedure*

No later than three Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Issuer of its election to extend the Revolving Period (the "**Extension Notice**"), the Trustee shall deliver the Extension Notice to all Holders of Notes (other than the Class X Notes) and the Preferred Shares Paying and Transfer Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preferred Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding), in the form set out in the Indenture, and shall request the Rating Condition for the Maturity Extension from S&P, if applicable. Any Holder of Notes (other than the Class X Notes) and Preferred Shares may give irrevocable notice (an "**Extension Sale Notice**") within 30 days after the Trustee has delivered the Extension Notice (the "**Extension Sale Notice Period**") of its intention to sell its Notes or Preferred Shares to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. If the Holders of 100% of the Outstanding Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes have not delivered the Extension Sale Notice to the Trustee by the 20th calendar day after the date of the Extension Notice, the Trustee shall notify the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes of the date on which the Extension Sale Notice Period shall end and include a statement to the effect that (i) no Extension Sale Notice delivered after the end of the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be effective and (ii) the Class A-1LA Notes for which no Extension Sale Notice has been delivered may be treated as Extension Sale Securities pursuant to clause (v) of the Extension Conditions (as a result of which the Class A-1LA Notes must be purchased by an Extension Qualifying Purchaser). Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of Notes or Preferred Shares that has not given such an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be entitled to sell its Notes or Preferred Shares to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension. If clause (iii)(b)(A) of the Extension Conditions is not satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date as determined by the Issuer (or its agent), the Trustee shall request the Rating Condition to be satisfied with respect to Moody's. On the applicable Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or its agent) shall confirm (i) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Notes or Preferred Shares in compliance with all transfer restrictions in the Indenture and the legends on such Notes or Preferred Shares and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (ii) whether the requirements of clause (iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date and (iii) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the applicable Extension Effective Date. On each Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension shall become effective under the terms of the Indenture; *provided that* all Extension Conditions set forth above are satisfied. No later than two Business Days after each Extension Effective Date, the Trustee based on a determination made by the Issuer, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall deliver a notice to all Holders of Notes and the Preferred Shares Paying and Transfer Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preferred Shares), the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) and the Irish Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class of Notes is listed thereon) confirming whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension became effective, the Issuer shall make any required notifications thereof to the Depositary for any Notes subject to the Maturity Extension. None of the Initial Purchaser, the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

#### Additional Issuance

At any time during the Revolving Period, the Issuer, as applicable, may issue and sell Additional Preferred Shares and use the proceeds from such issuance and sale (net of any fees and expenses incurred in connection with the issuance thereof, including, without limitation, compensation payable to the Initial Purchaser or any placement agent for any services provided in connection therewith) to purchase additional eligible Portfolio Collateral (which may include eligible Portfolio Collateral purchased from any Servicer Entity on an arms-length transaction basis) (an "**Additional Issuance**"); *provided* that certain conditions are satisfied, including without limitation: (a) such Additional Issuance will be a percentage (the "**Additional Issuance Percentage**") specified by the Servicer, of the original issue price of the Preferred Shares issued and Outstanding on the date of the Additional Issuance; (b) such Additional Preferred Shares must be issued for a cash sales price (the net sale proceeds to be used to purchase eligible Portfolio Collateral (or, pending such applications, deposited into the Collection Account and held in Eligible Investments)); (c) the terms (other than the date of issuance, the issue price, the date from which dividends will accrue and similar matters) of such Preferred Shares must be identical to the terms of the applicable Class of Preferred Shares; (d) the Holders of Preferred Shares must be notified in writing 30 days prior to such issuance; (e) the Servicer must consent to such Additional Issuance; and (f) Initial Purchaser must be notified in writing at least 30 days prior to such issuance.

Any amendment to the Indenture, Issuer's Memorandum of Association and Articles of Association or any other related documents required to provide for or facilitate such Additional Issuance will not require the consent of the Holders of Securities.

#### Prescription

Payment in respect of the Notes will cease to be due if not paid to the Holder due to insufficient instructions for a period of twenty years from the Relevant Date therefor. "**Relevant Date**" means the date on which the final payment in respect of the Notes first becomes due, except that if the full amount of the monies payable has not been duly received by the Paying Agent on or prior to such due date, it means the date on which such monies have been so received.

#### Form, Transfer and Transfer Restrictions

Upon issuance, the Notes of each Class sold to non-U.S. Persons (as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act ("**Regulation S**")) (each, a "**non-U.S. Person**") in Offshore Transactions (as defined in Regulation S) in reliance on Regulation S, initially will be represented by a single, temporary global note in fully registered form without interest coupons (the "**Temporary Regulation S Global Note**"), which will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee on behalf of The Depository Trust Company ("**DTC**") on behalf of Euroclear Bank, S.A./N.V., as operator of The Euroclear System ("**Euroclear**") and Clearstream Banking, société anonyme ("**Clearstream**").

Subject to the receipt by the Trustee of a certificate in the form provided by the Indenture from the person holding such interest, a beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note may be exchanged for (i) after the 40th day after the later of the conclusion of the offering and the Closing Date (the "**Exchange Date**"), an interest in a permanent global note in fully registered form without coupons (the "**Permanent Regulation S Global Note**" and, together with the Temporary Regulation S Global Note, the "**Regulation S Global Notes**"), in an amount equal to the aggregate principal amount of such interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note or (ii) at any time for an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note (defined below), if a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note will be transferred to a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is a U.S. Person (defined below), which note will be registered in the name of such person.

Upon deposit of the Permanent Regulation S Global Note of a Class with the Trustee, as custodian for DTC or the common depository, as applicable, Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, will credit each purchaser (or its agent or custodian) with a principal amount of Notes of such Class equal to the principal amount thereof for which it has paid. The Holder of the Regulation S Global Notes (which will be DTC or its nominee) shall be the only person entitled to receive payments in respect of the Notes represented by such Regulation S Global Notes, and the Co-Issuers will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, such Holder of such Regulation S Global Notes in respect of each amount so paid. Each of the persons shown in the records of Euroclear or of Clearstream as the Holder of a particular principal amount of Regulation S Global Notes must look solely to Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, for its share of each payment so made by the Co-Issuers to, or to the order of, the Holder of such

Regulation S Global Notes. No person other than the Holder of the Regulation S Global Notes shall have any claim against the Co-Issuers in respect of any payments due on the Regulation S Global Notes.

Payments on the Regulation S Global Notes will be made pursuant to certain procedures established by DTC, *provided* that the final payment of principal and interest will be made upon presentation and endorsement of such Regulation S Global Notes at the office of a Paying Agent.

Definitive fully registered notes ("**Definitive Notes**") will be issued and exchanged for each Permanent Regulation S Global Note within 30 days of the occurrence of any of the following: (i) the Notes or any of them become immediately due and payable following an Event of Default under the Indenture; (ii) either Euroclear or Clearstream is closed for business for a continuous period of 14 days (other than by reason of holiday, statutory or otherwise) or announces an intention permanently to cease business and no alternative clearance system satisfactory to the Trustee is available; or (iii) as a result of any amendment to, or change in, the laws or regulations of the Cayman Islands or of any authority therein or thereof having power to tax or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations which becomes effective on or after the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers or the Paying Agents are or will be required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Notes which would not be required were the Notes in definitive registered form. Notwithstanding the foregoing, interests in any Temporary Regulation S Global Note or any definitive registered Note purchased by a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction in accordance with Regulation S may not be exchanged for a Definitive Note until receipt by the Trustee from the owner of such beneficial interest of a certificate in the form provided by the Indenture.

Upon issuance, the Notes sold in the United States to Qualified Institutional Buyers will be issued in book-entry form ("**Rule 144A Global Notes**") only through the facilities of DTC. So long as DTC or its nominee is the registered Holder of the Rule 144A Global Notes, DTC or such nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the absolute owner or Holder of such the Notes represented by such Rule 144A Global Notes for all purposes under the Indenture and such Notes. DTC or such nominee, as the case may be, will be the only person entitled to receive payments in respect of the Notes represented by such Rule 144A Global Notes and the Co-Issuers will be discharged by payment to DTC or such nominee. Each of the persons shown in the records of DTC as the beneficial owner of a Rule 144A Global Note must look solely to DTC for its share of each payment made by the Issuer to DTC. No person other than DTC shall have any claim against the Co-Issuers in respect of any payment due under the Rule 144A Global Notes.

Payments on the Rule 144A Global Notes will be made in accordance with the established procedures of DTC and the Co-Issuers will have no liability therefor. In addition, no beneficial owner of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will be able to exchange or transfer such interest except in accordance with the applicable procedures of DTC. None of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Registrar or any Paying Agent will have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests in the Rule 144A Global Notes or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating thereto.

Definitive Notes will be issued and exchanged for each Rule 144A Global Note within 30 days of the occurrence of any of the following: (i) the Notes or any of them become immediately due and payable following an Event of Default under the Indenture; or (ii) DTC notifies the Issuer or the Trustee in writing that it is unwilling or unable to discharge properly its responsibilities as a depository with respect to the Rule 144A Global Notes or it ceases to be a "clearing agency" registered under the Exchange Act (defined below), and the Issuer and the Trustee are unable to locate a qualified successor within 90 days after such notice.

Definitive Notes may be presented for registration of transfer (with the form of transfer endorsed thereon duly executed), at the office of the Registrar, without service charge but upon payment of any taxes and other governmental charges as described in the Indenture. Any registration of transfer will be effected upon the Trustee being satisfied with the documents of title and identity of the person making the request, upon their receipt of any applicable certificates and opinions relating to transfer restrictions, as described below, and subject to such reasonable regulations as the Issuer may from time to time agree with the Trustee, all as described in the Indenture.

The Issuer has initially appointed the Trustee as Registrar. Definitive Notes may be presented for payment or for transfer or exchange at the offices of the Registrar's agent, JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, 4 New York Plaza, ground floor, New York, New York 10004, Attention: WSS Window – WSS (Houston) – Rockwall CDO. The Issuer reserves the right to vary or terminate the appointment of the Registrar or to appoint

additional or other registrars or to approve any change in the office through which any Registrar acts, *provided* that there will at all times be an office or agent located in New York, New York at which the Definitive Notes may be presented for payment or for transfer or exchange.

For so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of such exchange shall so require, the Issuer will have a listing agent and a paying agent (which shall be the "**Irish Paying Agent**") for the Notes in Ireland and payments on such Notes may be effected through the Irish Paying Agent. In the event that the Irish Paying Agent is replaced at any time during such period, notice of the appointment of any replacement will be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

A beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note may only be transferred to (a) a non-U.S. Person in an offshore transaction (as defined in Regulation S) (an "**Offshore Transaction**") in accordance with Regulation S (and in accordance with certain certification requirements in the Indenture) or (b) after the Exchange Date, a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note and who delivers a written certification (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that such person is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is acquiring such interest for its own account (together with certain other requirements set forth in the Indenture). Upon any exchange of a portion of a Regulation S Global Note for a Definitive Note, the Trustee shall endorse such Regulation S Global Note to reflect the reduction of the principal amount evidenced thereby.

Definitive Notes (or any interest therein) may only be transferred in accordance with the applicable laws of any state of the United States and (a) in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act involving a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is a U.S. Person as transferee (in accordance with the certification requirements of the Indenture) or (b) to a person who takes delivery in the form of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note and in such case only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that such transfer is being made to a non-U.S. Person in accordance with Regulation S. Upon any exchange of a Definitive Note for a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note, the Trustee shall endorse such Regulation S Global Note to reflect the increase in the principal amount evidenced thereby.

The Registrar for the Notes will not be required to accept for registration of transfer any Note except upon presentation of a certificate substantially in the form required by the Indenture representing that these restrictions on transfer have been complied with, and, if requested by the Issuer or the Trustee, an opinion of counsel in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer or the Trustee to the effect that such transfer has been made in compliance with an applicable exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States and any other jurisdiction. See "Delivery of the Notes; Transfer Restrictions; Settlement."

No Note may be sold or transferred unless such sale or transfer will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code. In addition, no Class B-1L Note may be sold or transferred to any Plan, or to any person acting on behalf of or with "plan assets" of any Plan, including an insurance company general account, unless the purchaser or transferee is eligible for the exemptive relief available under PTCE 96-23, 95-60, 91-38, 90-1 or 84-14. See "Certain ERISA Considerations."

In addition, sales or other transfers of the Notes may only be made to a purchaser or other transferee (other than a non-U.S. Person in an offshore transaction under Regulation S) that is a Qualified Purchaser in a sale or transfer that would not require the Co-Issuers to become subject to the requirements of the Investment Company Act and the Notes will bear a legend to this effect. See "Delivery of the Notes; Transfer Restrictions; Settlement."

Each prospective purchaser will be deemed to (i) represent that such prospective purchaser is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is purchasing or acquiring Notes solely for its own account or is a non-U.S. Person, (ii) that it and each account for which it is purchasing is purchasing a Class of Notes in at least the related minimum denomination, (iii) that it is a 'single beneficial owner' for purposes of Section 3(c)(1) of the Investment Company Act and (iv) have made the additional representations described under "Delivery of the Notes; Transfer Restrictions; Settlement."

DTC is a limited purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "**Exchange Act**"). DTC was created to hold securities for its participants (the "**DTC Participants**") and to facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between DTC Participants through electronic computerized book-entries, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates. DTC Participants include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies and clearing corporations. Indirect access to the DTC system also is available to others such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a DTC Participant, either directly or indirectly ("**Indirect Participants**").

Unless and until Definitive Notes are issued, all references to actions by Holders of the Rule 144A Global Notes holding through DTC will refer to actions taken by DTC upon instructions received from beneficial owners of the Rule 144A Global Notes through DTC Participants, and all references herein to payments, notices, reports, statements and other information to Holders of Rule 144A Global Notes will refer to payments, notices, reports and statements to DTC or its nominees, as the registered Holder of the Rule 144A Global Notes, for distribution to beneficial owners of Rule 144A Global Notes through DTC Participants in accordance with DTC procedures.

Clearstream is incorporated under the laws of Luxembourg as a professional depository. Clearstream holds securities for its participating organizations ("**Clearstream, Luxembourg Participants**") and facilitates the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between Clearstream, Luxembourg Participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of Clearstream, Luxembourg Participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates. Clearstream provides to its Clearstream, Luxembourg Participants, among other things, services for safekeeping, administration, clearance and settlement of internationally traded securities and securities lending and borrowing. Clearstream interfaces with domestic markets in several countries. As a professional depository, Clearstream is subject to regulation by the Luxembourg Monetary Institute. Clearstream, Luxembourg Participants are recognized financial institutions around the world, including underwriters, securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations and may include the Initial Purchaser. Indirect access to Clearstream is also available to others, such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Clearstream, Luxembourg Participant, either directly or indirectly.

Euroclear was created to hold securities for participants of Euroclear ("**Euroclear Participants**") and to clear and settle transactions between Euroclear Participants through simultaneous electronic book-entry delivery against payment, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates and any risk from lack of simultaneous transfers of securities and cash. Euroclear includes various other services, including securities lending and borrowing and interfaces with domestic markets in several countries generally similar to the arrangements for cross-market transfers with DTC described above. Euroclear is operated by Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. (the "**Euroclear Operator**"), under contract with Euroclear Clearance System, S.C., a Belgian cooperative corporation (the "**Cooperative**"). All operations are conducted by the Euroclear Operator, and all Euroclear securities clearance accounts and Euroclear cash accounts are accounts with the Euroclear Operator, not the Cooperative. The Cooperative establishes policy for Euroclear on behalf of Euroclear Participants. Euroclear Participants include banks (including central banks), securities brokers and dealers and other professional financial intermediaries and may include the Initial Purchaser. Indirect access to Euroclear is also available to other firms that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Euroclear Participant, either directly or indirectly.

The Euroclear Operator is the Belgian branch of a New York banking corporation which is a member bank of the Federal Reserve System. As such, it is regulated and examined by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the New York State Banking Department, as well as the Belgian Banking Commission.

Securities clearance accounts and cash accounts with the Euroclear Operator are governed by the Terms and Conditions Governing Use of Euroclear and the related Operating Procedures of Euroclear and applicable Belgian law (collectively, the "**Terms and Conditions**"). The Terms and Conditions govern transfers of securities and cash within Euroclear, withdrawal of securities and cash from Euroclear, and receipts of payments with respect to securities in Euroclear. All securities in Euroclear are held on a fungible basis without attribution of specific certificates to specific securities clearance accounts. The Euroclear Operator acts under the Terms and Conditions

only on behalf of Euroclear Participants and has no record of or relationship with persons holding through Euroclear Participants.

#### Option to Acquire Bond Insurance

The Indenture will provide that Holders of any Class of Notes may elect to acquire bond insurance, a surety bond or similar credit enhancement supporting the payment of principal and/or interest on such Class of Notes, on terms and conditions acceptable to such Holders. Any Class of Notes subject to such enhancement will be designated as "**Insured Notes**" of such Class. Premiums for any such enhancement will be payable from amounts otherwise payable to such Class of Insured Notes or in such other manner chosen by such Holder. Any Insured Notes of a Class for substantially all other purposes will be treated as Notes of such Class, except that the issuer of the bond insurance policy, surety bond or other such credit enhancement will generally be deemed to be the Holder of the Notes of such Class enhanced by such entity and will in such capacity be entitled to exercise the rights otherwise exercisable by Holders of such Notes.

### **SECURITY FOR THE NOTES**

The Notes will be secured by the Trust Estate. The Trust Estate will consist of substantially all property of the Issuer, including the Portfolio Collateral, the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Closing Expense Account.

#### Portfolio Collateral—General

The Portfolio Collateral (including Original Portfolio Collateral, Additional Portfolio Collateral and Substitute Portfolio Collateral) when purchased (or when committed to be purchased) by the Issuer, will consist of (I) United States dollar denominated commercial loans in registered form, including participation and assignment interests therein, collateralized loan obligations, including synthetic securities, of any corporation, partnership, limited liability company or trust, of the United States government or any agency or instrumentality thereof or of other sovereign issuers, which obligations:

- (a) are "eligible assets" as defined in Rule 3a-7;
- (b) except as described below, provide for periodic payments of interest thereon in cash no less frequently than semiannually;
- (c) provide for a fixed amount of principal to be payable according to a fixed schedule or at maturity;
- (d) are not items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, items of Equity Portfolio Collateral or a margin stock, or, except as described below, items of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral;
- (e) except as described below, are not zero-coupon bonds, bonds that provide for a combination of no coupon and a fixed coupon, step-up bonds (except for step-up bonds providing for the payment of current interest at a rate no less than 5% *per annum* or Collateral LIBOR, if floating rate), other than with respect to the Initial Portfolio Collateral on the Closing Date, Partial Deferred Interest Bonds (except for such bonds providing for the payment of current interest at a rate no less than 5% *per annum* or Collateral LIBOR, if floating rate);
- (f) are not currently the subject of an Offer that would result in (i) the Issuer owning a security not meeting the requirements of Portfolio Collateral, not paying current interest, or, in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, not expected to pay in full at maturity, or (ii) the Issuer receiving Eligible Investments or cash in a par amount less than that of the original security or the subject of an Exchange Offer;
- (g) do not provide for conversion or exchange into equity capital at any time over their respective lives (other than the exercise of any warrant, profit participation or other equity-like interest which is a component of a Unit);

(h) with respect to Portfolio Collateral which consists of Floating Rate Collateral, have an interest rate which adjusts periodically in accordance with changes in one or more established indices at least one of which is the London interbank offered rate for one-, two-, three- or six-month U.S. dollar deposits and which adjusts at least semiannually or, with respect to items of Fixed Rate Collateral, have an interest rate that remains constant until the maturity of such obligations or are Reset Debt Securities; *provided* that not more than 5.0% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate may include items of Portfolio Collateral the interest rate on which adjusts in accordance with one or more indices that do not include the London interbank offered rate for one-, two-, three-, or six-month U.S. dollar deposits;

(i) have coupon or other payments that are not subject to U.S. withholding tax and are not at time of purchase subject to foreign withholding tax unless the issuer of the security is required to make "gross-up" payments sufficient to cause the net amount to be received on the debt obligations to equal the amount that would have been paid had no such withholding tax applied;

(j) mature on or before August 1, 2021 or, if a Maturity Extension as occurred, the then applicable Extended Final Maturity Date, except that up to 5.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount may mature after such date but before 5 years after such date; *provided that*, with respect to Portfolio Loans, no more than 3.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount may mature after August 1, 2021 or, if a Maturity Extension as occurred, the then applicable Extended Final Maturity Date, but before two years after such date and no Portfolio Loans may mature after two years after such date;

(k) the terms of which do not, unless they are Delayed Drawdown Loans or Revolving Loans, require the Holder to assume or otherwise undertake any funding obligations or liabilities (of a contingent nature or otherwise);

(l) are payable only in United States dollars;

(m) are not Current Pay Obligations

(n) are not Debt Securities;

(o) the S&P Rating of which does not include a subscript of "r", "t", "p", "pi" or "q" unless otherwise agreed to by Standard & Poor's in writing and a Moody's Rating that addresses the full amount of principal or interest indicated would be paid;

(p) and, during the Revolving Period, CLO Securities having a Moody's Rating of "Ba2" or higher and an S&P Rating of "BB" or higher and, after the Revolving Period are not CLO Securities;

(q) are not PIK Bonds which are currently deferring interest payments or receiving payments in-kind pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instrument; and

(r) satisfy, together with the other Portfolio Collateral to be concurrently included in the Trust Estate, the other applicable criteria set forth in the Indenture, including the ratings guidelines and guidelines concerning issuer concentration and industry concentration described below; or

(II) Synthetic Securities (as described herein); *provided* that the Servicer concludes, based on advice of counsel, that the Synthetic Securities are "eligible assets" for purposes of Rule 3a-7.

Interests in commercial loans included in the Portfolio Collateral are referred to herein as "**Portfolio Loans**," and interests in collateralized loan obligations in the Portfolio Collateral are referred to herein as "**CLO Securities**." The Issuer may invest in participations ("**Participations**") in Portfolio Loans, or purchase assignments ("**Assignments**") of portions of Portfolio Loans.

In addition, up to 20% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of Synthetic Securities. The purchase of Synthetic Securities may involve certain additional risks not present in the purchase of other Portfolio Collateral.



See "Special Considerations—Nature of Collateral Pledged to Secure the Notes; Ability to Obtain Additional Portfolio Collateral; Availability of Funds for Subordinate Payments" For purposes of the eligibility criteria and related tests, a Synthetic Security will generally be included as an item of Portfolio Collateral having the maturity, interest rate and other payment characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the Reference Obligation (including characterization as either an item of Fixed Rate Collateral or Floating Rate Collateral) and, with respect to all other characteristics, will be included as an item of Portfolio Collateral having the relevant characteristics of the related Reference Obligation and not of the Synthetic Security.

Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, in no event may the Issuer acquire or dispose of any item of Portfolio Collateral or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Issuer or the Servicer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase an item of Portfolio Collateral to be included in the Trust Estate and at the time of such commitment such item of Portfolio Collateral complied with the definition of Portfolio Collateral, then the Issuer or Servicer may consummate the purchase of such item of Portfolio Collateral notwithstanding that such item of Portfolio Collateral fails to comply with the definition of Portfolio Collateral on the date of settlement.

The Servicer may only direct the Trustee to sell an item of Portfolio Collateral that is the subject of an Offer or call for redemption, if together with its direction to sell such security, the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that the sales price for such Security is equal to or greater than 1% less than the price available pursuant to such Offer or call and such sale will be treated as if the Offer or call were consummated for purposes of determining the Collections for the Due Period relating to the date on which such sale occurs.

The manner and timing for any purchase or sale of any item of Portfolio Collateral and the determination of when any such purchase or sale becomes effective for purposes of any calculations of the Overcollateralization Tests or other collateral criteria shall be set forth in the Indenture.

If an item of Portfolio Collateral becomes subject to an Exchange Offer after it has been purchased by the Issuer, the Servicer will be permitted to take such action with respect to the Underlying Instrument or the issuer thereof as may be required to convert such item of Portfolio Collateral into an item of Equity Portfolio Collateral.

Simultaneously with the issuance of the Notes, an Aggregate Principal Amount of Initial Portfolio Collateral securing the Notes at least equal to the Initial Portfolio Collateral Amount will be acquired or committed to be acquired by the Issuer from the net proceeds of the sale of the Notes and the Preferred Shares. The Issuer will also pledge the Deposit (consisting of cash deposited in the Initial Deposit Account in the approximate amount such that the Issuer can purchase or commit to purchase an Aggregate Principal Amount of Original Portfolio Collateral on or before November 1, 2006 (the "**Effective Date**"), at least equal the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount) to the Trustee on the Closing Date, which Deposit will be used to purchase Eligible Investments at the direction of the Issuer pending application to purchase or commit to purchase Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date, subject to the requirements and restrictions set forth in the Indenture. A portion of the Initial Portfolio Collateral, and the remaining Portfolio Collateral may be, acquired from or through Bear Stearns, the Servicer or their affiliates, at negotiated prices acceptable to the Issuer and the Servicer or if purchased from the Servicer or its affiliates at prices determined in accordance with the procedures described under "Special Considerations—Potential Conflicts of Interest."

The Issuer and the Servicer will seek to use the Deposit to purchase additional Original Portfolio Collateral prior to the Effective Date in accordance with the guidelines described herein and in the Indenture. If the Issuer and the Servicer are unable to use or commit to use the full amount of the Deposit on or prior to the Effective Date to purchase additional Original Portfolio Collateral having an Aggregate Principal Amount (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to the Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date) at least equal to the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount, the Issuer will be required to effect an Initial Deposit Redemption on the Initial Deposit Redemption Date as described herein except, if the amount of the Deposit not so used or committed does not exceed U.S.\$2,000,000 in the aggregate, such amount will be transferred to the Collection Account as Collateral Principal Collections on the Effective Date.

If a Suspension Trigger Event is in effect, a majority of the Controlling Class may deliver notice to the Issuer directing the Issuer and the Servicer to suspend any purchases of additional items for inclusion in the Trust Estate as an item of Portfolio Collateral. Such suspension shall automatically terminate once a Suspension Trigger Event is no longer in effect.

#### Criteria for Purchase and Substitution of Collateral

The Issuer's entry into a commitment to purchase any additional collateralized loan obligations, synthetic securities and commercial loans after the Effective Date (each, an item of "**Additional Portfolio Collateral**") with Available Funds is subject to the limitations described under "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral" and further is subject in each case to the following restrictions: (i) each of the Overcollateralization Tests is satisfied (*provided* that unscheduled principal proceeds may be used to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral even if such tests are not satisfied, so long as the results of such tests would not be diminished) and (ii) the collateral criteria specified below are satisfied or the degree of compliance with such collateral criteria would not be diminished. In addition, during the Amortization Period, Collateral Principal Collections from any unscheduled prepayment may be used to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral as described and meeting the requirements herein. The Issuer's entry into a commitment to purchase any substitute collateralized loan obligations, synthetic securities and commercial loans (each, an item of "**Substitute Portfolio Collateral**") with Collateral Disposition Proceeds during the Revolving Period is subject in each case to the following restrictions: (i) the Overcollateralization Tests and the collateral criteria specified herein are satisfied and the Interest Coverage Test (after the second Payment Date) for the most recent Payment Date was satisfied or (ii) if the Overcollateralization Tests and the collateral criteria specified below are not satisfied, the degree of compliance with such tests or criteria would not be diminished. In connection with a sale of an item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral after the Revolving Period or the receipt of Collateral Principal Collections in connection with an unscheduled prepayment after the Revolving Period, the Issuer may enter into commitments to apply such net disposition proceeds or such unscheduled prepayments (net of accrued interest and costs) to the purchase of Portfolio Loans either as Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral. Substitute Portfolio Collateral may not be purchased with Collateral Disposition Proceeds from the sale of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral unless, after giving effect to such purchase, each of the Overcollateralization Tests is satisfied and the Interest Coverage Test for the most recent Payment Date was satisfied. The Issuer is not required, and may not be permitted under certain circumstances, to purchase or sell Portfolio Collateral and the rules described above are limited as set forth below under "—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral."

Notwithstanding the forgoing, if there is no appointment of a successor Servicer within 90 days after the resignation or termination of the Servicer, any sales or disposition of Portfolio Collateral shall be limited to Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral; provided that such restriction on the sale or disposition of Portfolio Collateral shall not apply if the Portfolio Collateral is being liquidated in whole or in part in connection with an acceleration or early termination of the Notes.

#### S&P CDO Monitor Test

The "**S&P CDO Monitor Test**" will be satisfied if, after giving effect to the purchase or sale of an item of Portfolio Collateral (or both), as the case may be, (i) the S&P Loss Differential (defined below) of the Proposed Portfolio (defined below) is positive or (ii) the S&P Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is greater than the S&P Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio (defined below). The S&P CDO Monitor Test is not applicable and does not have to be satisfied or maintained when reinvesting the proceeds of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral or Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral.

The "**S&P Loss Differential**" at any time, is the rate calculated by subtracting the S&P Scenario Default Rate (defined below) from the S&P Break-Even Default Rate (defined below) at such time.

The "**S&P Scenario Default Rate**" at any time, is an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, consistent with a "AAA" rating by S&P with respect to the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes, a "AA" rating by S&P with respect to the Class A-2L Notes, a "A" rating by

S&P with respect to the Class A-3L Notes, a "A-" rating by S&P with respect to the Class A-4L Notes and a "BBB" rating by S&P with respect to the Class B-1L Notes, determined by application of the S&P CDO Monitor (defined below) at such time.

The "**S&P Break-Even Default Rate**" at any time, is the maximum percentage of defaults which the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, can sustain, as determined by S&P through application of the S&P CDO Monitor which, after giving effect to S&P's assumptions on recoveries and timing and to the priority of payments, will result in sufficient funds remaining for the principal repayment of the Notes in full and the timely payment, as applicable, of interest on each Class of Notes as set forth in the Indenture.

The "**Current Portfolio**" means the Pledged Securities in the Trust Estate immediately prior to the sale, maturity or other disposition of an item of Portfolio Collateral or immediately prior to the acquisition of an item of Portfolio Collateral, as the case may be.

The "**Proposed Portfolio**" means the Aggregate Par Amount resulting from the sale, maturity or other disposition of an item of Portfolio Collateral or a proposed purchase of an item of Portfolio Collateral, as the case may be.

The "**S&P CDO Monitor**" is a dynamic, analytical computer model developed by S&P and used to estimate default risk of items of Portfolio Collateral and provided to the Servicer and the Issuer on or before the Closing Date, as it may be modified by S&P from time to time in connection with its confirmation of the ratings of the Notes following the Closing Date. The S&P CDO Monitor calculates the cumulative default rate of a pool of Portfolio Collateral consistent with a specified benchmark rating level based upon S&P's proprietary corporate debt default studies. In calculating the S&P Scenario Default Rate, the S&P CDO Monitor considers each obligor's most senior unsecured debt rating, the number of obligors in the portfolio, the obligor and industry concentration in the portfolio and the remaining weighted average maturity of the Portfolio Collateral and calculates a cumulative default rate based on the statistical probability of distributions of defaults on the Portfolio Collateral.

#### Moody's Asset Correlation Test and Weighted Average Rating Test

The Moody's Asset Correlation Test and weighted average rating of the Portfolio Collateral will be calculated in accordance with the methodology prescribed by Moody's and more fully described in the Indenture. The MAC Test and "**Weighted Average Rating Test**" will be satisfied in accordance with the application of the Collateral Quality Matrix described below.

The Moody's Asset Correlation ("**MAC**") Test (the "**MAC Test**") will be satisfied on each Measurement Date if the Moody's Correlation Factor on such Measurement Date (rounded up to the nearest whole number) is equal to or less than the designated Moody's Correlation Factor determined by application of the Collateral Quality Matrix. In connection with the MAC Test, the Moody's Correlation Factor is a single number determined in accordance with the correlation methodology provided to the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator by Moody's.

#### Collateral Quality Matrix Tests

Under the Indenture, the Servicer will be permitted to select from a table (that will be included in the Indenture, the "**Collateral Quality Matrix**"), a different group of thresholds for satisfying or otherwise determining the following tests:

- the Moody's Asset Correlation Test;
- the Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test;
- the Weighted Average Rating Test; and
- the Weighted Average Margin Test.

Therefore, notwithstanding anything to the contrary described herein, after giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, the minimum/maximum amounts required to satisfy each of such tests may vary from time to time. In determining whether the criteria set forth in the Collateral Quality Matrix are satisfied, the Servicer may use the Collateral Quality Formula (as set forth in the Indenture) to interpolate between values of such criteria or may use any other method that is agreed to by the Issuer and Moody's. Depending on the combination of thresholds in the Collateral Quality Matrix selected by the Servicer at any time, except as described below, the minimum required MAC Test can range from 3.0% to 4.0%; the maximum permitted weighted average rating factor prescribed by Moody's can range from 1500 to 2500; the minimum required average recovery rate prescribed by Moody's can range from 40.0% to 45.5% and the minimum Weighted Average Margin can range from 1.50% to 3.00%.

Each group of minimum/maximum amounts included in the Collateral Quality Matrix will include a combination of the minimum/maximum scores that are required to satisfy each of the Collateral Quality Matrix Tests. The Servicer may elect from time to time to have different combinations apply so long as (a) immediately after giving effect to the change in combinations, each of the applicable tests will be satisfied or not diminished and (b) the S&P CDO Monitor Test would have been satisfied as of the date of the most recent purchase or sale of an item of Portfolio Collateral had such test been calculated using the Current Portfolio, the Proposed Portfolio, and the S&P Scenario Default Rate that was in effect immediately prior to such purchase or sale, but using the S&P Break-Even Default Rate applicable to the Notes that would have been applicable after giving effect to the change in combinations. In no event will the Servicer be obligated to change the combinations contemplated by the Collateral Quality Matrix. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the combination of scores required to satisfy each of the Collateral Quality Matrix Tests may be changed if the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to such change and, as a result, the minimum/maximum amounts may change as well.

#### Weighted Average Margin Test

The "**Weighted Average Margin Test**" will be determined by application of the Collateral Quality Matrix described above, after giving effect to any Coupon Adjustment.

The "**Weighted Average Margin**" refers to the amount (rounded up to the nearest 0.001%) equal to (i) the sum of the products obtained by multiplying the margin over Collateral LIBOR on each item of Floating Rate Collateral (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) as of the date of calculation (which will be determined for items of Floating Rate Collateral that do not bear interest based on Collateral LIBOR by expressing the current interest rate on such Floating Rate Collateral as a margin above or below three-month LIBOR on the date of determination, which margin will be expressed as a negative number if such current interest rate is lower than three-month LIBOR) by the Principal Balance of such item of Floating Rate Collateral (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) as of such date, divided by (ii) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all such Floating Rate Collateral (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) on such date.

For purposes of calculating the Weighted Average Margin for any Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Bank Loan, the principal balance representing the funded portion will be multiplied by the margin above Collateral LIBOR and the principal balance representing the unfunded portion will be multiplied by the commitment fee related thereto.

If an item of Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral does not provide for Collateral LIBOR, the margin for this purpose shall be equal to the then applicable interest rate minus then current LIBOR. If an item of Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral has a Collateral LIBOR floor, the excess of such floor rate over Collateral LIBOR will be added to the margin above Collateral LIBOR for purposes of calculating the Weighted Average Margin of such item of Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral.

#### Weighted Average Coupon Test

The "**Weighted Average Coupon Test**" will be satisfied if, after the Effective Date, none of the Portfolio Collateral is Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral or if, after giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral and after giving effect to any Coupon Adjustment, the Weighted Average Coupon is at least equal to 7.5%

*per annum* as of the date of determination (or such lower *per annum* rate that the Rating Agencies have confirmed would not result in a withdrawal or downgrade of any of the then current ratings assigned by them to the Notes).

The "**Weighted Average Coupon**" refers to the amount (rounded up to the nearest 0.001%) determined by summing the products obtained by multiplying, for each item of Fixed Rate Collateral then included in the Trust Estate (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral), the Principal Balance of such item of Portfolio Collateral and the stated rate of interest of such item of Portfolio Collateral and then dividing such sum by the Aggregate Principal Amount of all of the Fixed Rate Collateral included in the Trust Estate (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) as of such date of determination.

Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test. The Minimum Average Recovery Rate will be calculated in accordance with the methodology prescribed by Moody's and S&P and more fully described in the Indenture. The "**Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test**" with respect to Moody's, will be determined by application of the Collateral Quality Matrix described above and with respect to S&P, will be determined as set forth in the Indenture.

Weighted Average Life Requirement. The "**Weighted Average Life Requirement**" will be satisfied on any date of determination if the Weighted Average Life on such date of all items of Portfolio Collateral is equal to or less than the number of years set forth in Schedule I to the Indenture opposite the period set forth in Schedule I to the Indenture in which such requirement is being measured or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Weighted Average Life may vary from the restrictions set forth in the Indenture if the Rating Agencies have confirmed such variance would not result in a withdrawal or downgrade of any of the then current ratings assigned by them to the Notes.

The "**Weighted Average Life**" refers to the amount determined by summing the products obtained by multiplying, for each item of Portfolio Collateral (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) then included in the Trust Estate, the Principal Balance of such item of Portfolio Collateral and the Average Life (as such term is defined below) of such item of Portfolio Collateral as of such date of determination and then dividing such sum by the Aggregate Principal Amount of all of the Portfolio Collateral (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and Current Pay Obligations) included in the Trust Estate as of such date of determination. For any item of Portfolio Collateral, the "Average Life" shall be equal to the number of years obtained by dividing (a) the Principal Balance of such item of Portfolio Collateral into (b) the sum of the products obtained by multiplying (i) the amount of each of the remaining, required principal payments on such item of Portfolio Collateral by (ii) the number of years (calculated to the nearest one-twelfth) that will have elapsed between such date of determination and the making of such payment.

Rating. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral: (i) at least 90% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate must be obligations of issuers having at least one class of indebtedness actually rated by Moody's (either publicly or privately) and (ii) at least 90% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate must be obligations of issuers having at least one class of indebtedness actually rated by S&P (either publicly or privately).

CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral Limitation. The proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral may not increase the Aggregate Principal Amount of CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate to more than 5.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount; *provided that* the Issuer may purchase CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral which would increase the Aggregate Principal Amount of CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate above 5.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount with the proceeds of CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral; and *provided further* that no CLO Securities may be included in the determination of this CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral Limitation.

Limitation on Non-U.S. Debt. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral,

(a) not more than 10% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligors;

(b) not more than 10% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligors in any single Group A Country;

(c) not more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount included may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor in all Group B Countries;

(d) not more than 2% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor in any single Group B Country;

(e) not more than 2.5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor in all jurisdictions that are not Group A Countries or Group B Countries;

(f) not more than 1% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor in any single jurisdiction that is not a Group A Country or Group B Country; and

(g) no Portfolio Collateral may consist of CLO Securities that are obligations of Non-U.S. Obligor.

Issuer Limitation. (i) After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Loan, no more than 1.50% of the Aggregate Par Amount may represent obligations of any single obligor, *provided* that obligations of not more than five obligors of Portfolio Loans may represent no more than 2.00% of the Aggregate Par Amount and (ii) after giving effect to the proposed purchase of any CLO Security, no more than 2.75% of the Aggregate Par Amount may represent obligations of any single obligor.

Industry Category Concentration. (i) No more than 8% of the Aggregate Par Amount is in any one Standard & Poor's Industry Category; *provided, however*, in the case of three (3) Standard & Poor's Industry Categories, 12% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Collateral that are obligations of obligors in any one Standard & Poor's Industry Category, and (ii) no more than 32% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Collateral that are obligations of obligors in any three Standard & Poor's Industry Categories.

Limitation on Fixed Rate Collateral. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, no more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may bear interest at a fixed rate.

Limitation on Portfolio Loans. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral,

(a) at least 70% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate must be Portfolio Loans (including Synthetic Securities, the Reference Obligations of which are loans); and

(b) not more than 10% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate may be Portfolio Loans that are not Senior Secured Loans (including Synthetic Securities, the Reference Obligations of which are loans).

Limitation on CLO Securities. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral,

(a) not more than 30% of the Aggregate Par Amount may be CLO Securities;

(b) not more than 10% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of CLO Securities that have a Moody's Rating below "Baa3" or an S&P Rating below "BBB-", *provided* that not more than 2.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of a single CLO Security with such ratings;

(c) not more than 4.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of CLO Securities of a single manager which shall not be any of the Servicer Entities; and

(d) not more than 5.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of CLO Securities managed by any of the Servicer Entities; *provided* that not more than 1.5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of CLO Securities of a single issuer serviced or managed by the Servicer;

*provided*, that no CLO Securities may be purchased after August 1, 2009, unless an Extension shall occur in which case CLO Securities may be purchased during the full period of such Extension in accordance with all the criteria and restrictions provided herein that are applicable during the Revolving Period.

Limitations on Step-Up Bonds. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, no more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may include step-up bonds.

Limitation on Semiannual Portfolio Collateral. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, no more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may include items of Portfolio Collateral that provide for the periodic payment in cash of interest less frequently than quarterly, but not less frequently than semiannually.

Limitation on Participations, Synthetic Securities and Non-U.S. Portfolio Loans. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Substitute Portfolio Collateral or Additional Portfolio Collateral, no more than 20% of the Aggregate Par Amount may be Participations, Synthetic Securities, securities lending agreements or Portfolio Loans that are obligations of non-U.S. entities which are not in a Group A Country. Further, no Participation may be purchased from any Selling Institution (including for this purpose the seller of any participation and the seller of any sub-participation) rated below "A" by S&P or "A2" by Moody's. In addition, the table below generally describes limitations on (i) the percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount which consist of Synthetic Securities related to the long-term debt rating of the Synthetic Security Counterparty, (ii) the percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount which consists of Participations related to the long-term debt rating of the related Selling Institution, and (iii) the limitations on the percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount which consists of Participations and Synthetic Securities in the aggregate related to the long-term debt rating of the Selling Institution or Synthetic Security Counterparty, as the case may be.

<u>Rating</u> <u>(S&amp;P/Moody's)</u>	<u>Individual Synthetic</u> <u>Security Counterparty</u> <u>Limit</u>	<u>Individual Participation</u> <u>Selling Institution Limit</u>	<u>Aggregate Synthetic</u> <u>Security Counterparty</u> <u>and Participation Selling</u> <u>Institution Limit</u>
AAA/Aaa	20.0%	20.0%	20.0%
AA+/Aa1	10.0%	10.0%	20.0%
AA/Aa2	10.0%	10.0%	17.5%
AA-/Aa3	10.0%	10.0%	15.0%
A+/A1	5.0%	5.0%	10.0%
A/A2	5.0%	5.0%	7.5%

*provided*, that no more than 3% of the Aggregate Par Amount may be Synthetic Securities consisting of Default Swaps. For purposes of the foregoing, the limitations shall be calculated separately for each of Standard & Poor's and Moody's and each such limitation must be satisfied.

Original Issue Size. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, at least 80% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate will be Portfolio Loans that are part of a senior credit facility whose aggregate original principal amount (whether or not funded and including all tranches thereunder) is not less than U.S.\$100,000,000. No item of Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate will be CLO Securities that are part of an issuer's aggregate issuance whose aggregate original principal amount (including all tranches thereunder) is less than U.S.\$100,000,000. No item of Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate will be Portfolio Loans that are part of a senior credit facility whose aggregate original principal amount (whether or not funded and including all tranches thereunder) is less than \$50,000,000.

Delayed Drawdown Loans and Revolving Loans. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, no more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of Delayed Drawdown Loans and no more than 7.5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of Revolving Loans; provided that no more than 10% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of Delayed Drawdown Loans and Revolving Loans in the aggregate.

A Delayed Drawdown Loan will not be eligible for purchase by the Issuer for inclusion in the Trust Estate unless the agreement or instrument that governs the rights and obligations of the related borrower and lender or lenders provides (i) that advances may be made for a period not to exceed one (1) year from the date of origination of the Delayed Drawdown Loan and in any event before the end of the Revolving Period; (ii) for a maximum amount that can be borrowed from the Issuer on one or more specified borrowing dates; (iii) that funds borrowed from the Issuer and subsequently repaid may not be reborrowed and (iv) that the borrower is entitled to such additional advances only upon the achievement of financial performance or other objective criteria established at origination and set forth in such credit agreement.

In addition, simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of any Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan, the Issuer is required to deposit into the Loan Funding Account the full amount of any advances or delayed draws that may be required of the Issuer thereunder and principal repaid under any Revolving Loan is required to be deposited in the Loan Funding Account to the extent the Issuer's obligation to fund any future advances has not been irrevocably reduced.

Debtor-in-Possession Financings. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, no more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of DIP Loans. Any such items of Portfolio Collateral must be assigned a formal or estimated rating by Moody's and S&P.

Collateral Obligations Loaned under Securities Lending Agreements. No more than 15% of the Aggregate Par Amount may include Portfolio Collateral subject to any securities lending agreement as set forth in the Indenture.

PIK Bonds. No more than 30% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of PIK Bonds.

No Event of Default. No Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing.

#### Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral

The Portfolio Collateral may be retired prior to their respective final maturities, as a result of, among other things, the existence and frequency of exercise of any optional or mandatory redemption features of such securities. Subject to the terms of the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture, the Servicer is also permitted to direct the Trustee to sell (i) any Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and (ii) any Equity Portfolio Collateral.

In addition, subject to the terms of the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture, including the restrictions described herein, the Servicer may, at any time during the life of the Notes, direct the Trustee to dispose of one or more items of Portfolio Collateral in cases where (i) an item of Portfolio Collateral is, in the Servicer's sole judgment (which judgment shall not be questioned as a result of subsequent events), likely to decline in credit quality and, with the passage of time, become an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral; *provided*, that in forming such judgment an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases of such judgment ("**Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral**") or (ii) an item of Portfolio Collateral has, in the Servicer's sole judgment, improved in credit quality or otherwise satisfies the Credit Improved Criteria (subject to the proviso thereof); *provided*, that in forming such judgment a reduction in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases of such judgment ("**Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral**"). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary stated herein, if any item of Portfolio Collateral is to be purchased with the Collateral Disposition Proceeds of one or more assets that are not Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, Portfolio Collateral Sold pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange or Portfolio Collateral that has become subject to withholding tax, the purchase of the proposed item of Portfolio Collateral must (i) restore compliance with the collateral criteria described above, the Interest Coverage Test or the Overcollateralization Tests (or bring the total Portfolio Collateral closer to compliance with any such test or limitation) not then satisfied or (ii) on a net basis improve the quality of the Portfolio Collateral as measured by such collateral criteria, Interest Coverage Test or Overcollateralization Tests and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii) without causing any other collateral criteria, Interest Coverage Test or Overcollateralization Test to be violated or significantly increase the likelihood of such violation in the future.

In determining whether any Portfolio Collateral is likely to decline in credit quality and, with the passage of time become Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, the Servicer may, in its sole judgment, consider any relevant factor,



including (without limitation) whether any of the Credit Risk Criteria exist. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the existence or absence of any particular factor shall not require or prevent the Servicer's determination that any Portfolio Collateral is likely to decline in credit quality and, with the passage of time, become Defaulted Portfolio Collateral; *provided* that in forming such determination an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral may only be used as corroboration of other bases for such determination. Substitute Portfolio Collateral may not be purchased with Collateral Disposition Proceeds from the sale of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral unless, after giving effect to such purchase, each of the Overcollateralization Tests is satisfied and the Interest Coverage Test for the most recent Payment Date was satisfied.

In determining whether any Portfolio Collateral meets the definition of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, the Servicer may, in its sole judgment, consider any relevant factor, including (without limitation) whether any of the Credit Improved Criteria exist. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the existence or absence of any particular factor shall not require or prevent the Servicer's determination that any Portfolio Collateral has a market price that is greater than the price that is warranted by its terms and credit characteristics; *provided*, that in forming such judgment a reduction in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral may only be utilized as corroboration or other bases for such judgment.

Subject to the Sale Restriction Condition, Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral may be sold at any time. In connection with a sale of an item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral during the Revolving Period, the Servicer (x) is required to identify in writing before the sale one or more specific manners in which it will be able, in accordance with the requirements of the Indenture, to cause the Issuer to apply the Collateral Disposition Proceeds of such sale (net of accrued interest and costs) to the purchase of Substitute Portfolio Collateral having an Aggregate Principal Amount equal to or greater than the Principal Balance of such item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral by the end of the immediately succeeding Due Period (it being understood that such identification shall not be considered a requirement or an assurance that my specific purchase will be consummated) and (y) is required to certify that it reasonably believes at the time of such sale that, after giving effect to such sale and subsequent purchase, either (i) the Overcollateralization Tests and all other criteria for the purchase of Portfolio Collateral are satisfied or (ii) if one or more of such tests or criteria is not satisfied, the degree of compliance with such test or criteria would not be diminished. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any Portfolio Collateral may also be sold upon the advice of an opinion of counsel that such item of Portfolio Collateral is, or may become, subject to a withholding or other similar tax. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary stated herein, the Servicer may direct the sale of an item of Portfolio Collateral that was CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral or Discount Portfolio Collateral at the time of purchase only if it constitutes Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral or Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, is sold in connection with the Optional Redemption of Notes in whole or if the Servicer reasonably expects that the sale and any related purchase of Substitute Portfolio Collateral will restore compliance with any of the Interest Coverage Test, the collateral criteria described above or the Overcollateralization Tests that would be failed or not satisfied in the absence of such sale and purchase.

During any period after the first Due Period (x) with respect to sales of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, if the rating of the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes or the Class A-2L Notes has been downgraded at least one rating sub-category by Moody's (and has not been restored) or the rating of any of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes or the Class B-1L Notes has been downgraded by at least two rating sub-categories by Moody's (and has not been restored to a rating no more than one rating sub-category below the original rating of such Class of Notes), or if the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio is less than 90% of the Class A Overcollateralization Percentage, or (y) with respect to sales of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, if the rating of the Class A-1L Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes or the Class A-2L Notes has been downgraded at least one rating sub-category by Moody's (and has not been restored) or the rating of any of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes or the Class B-1L Notes has been downgraded by at least two rating sub-categories by Moody's (and has not been restored to a rating no more than one rating sub-category below the original rating of such Class of Notes) (each applicable condition described in clauses (x) and (y), a "**Sale Restriction Condition**"), the Issuer is required to send a notice to the Trustee and the Holders of the Notes to the effect that for so long as the applicable Sale Restriction Condition exists, unless the Holders of at least 60% in Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes elect to retain the guidelines in effect on the Closing Date for sales of an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral or Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, as applicable, (i) no item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral may be sold unless (A) the rating of the obligor or of any debt or securities issued by the obligor under such an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral has been lowered, withdrawn or put on any "credit watch" list (or similar list) with negative implications by S&P, Moody's or Fitch, or (B) such an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral satisfies the Credit Risk Criteria and not

objected to by the Holders of more than 60% in Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes within forty-five (45) days of the date of such notice; *provided* that in making such determination to sell an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral may only be used as corroboration of other bases for such determination or (ii) no item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral may be sold unless such item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral satisfies the Credit Improved Criteria and not objected to by the Holders of more than 60% in Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes within forty-five (45) days of the date of such notice; *provided*, that in making such determination to sell such item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, a reduction in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral may only be utilized as corroboration or other bases for such judgment.

During the Due Periods relating to the Revolving Period, and under certain circumstances during the Amortization Period as described below, certain Collections identified above under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions" will be used to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral as described below subject to satisfaction or, in certain cases, maintenance of the Overcollateralization Tests and the collateral criteria described herein and satisfaction of the Interest Coverage Test (after the second Payment Date) for the most recent Payment Date as more specifically set forth in the Indenture.

During any period when certain Collections are to be used to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral, the Servicer generally will have the authority to commit to a purchase of such Additional Portfolio Collateral upon the receipt (actual or scheduled) in the Collection Account of Collections of an amount at least equal to the Periodic Reserve Amount with respect to the relevant Payment Date. For purposes of this calculation, Collections will be deemed to include, as of any date of determination, the sum of 100% of all cash collections actually received in respect of the Portfolio Collateral as of such date of determination and 100% of all distributions scheduled or otherwise reasonably expected to be received in respect of the Portfolio Collateral (other than any items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral or Equity Portfolio Collateral) during the period from such date of determination until the end of the applicable Due Period. In addition, the Indenture will permit the Servicer or the Issuer to direct the Trustee to deposit or retain in the Collection Account after the relevant Payment Date amounts that are to be used to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral as long as such amounts are held in Eligible Investments pending such use to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral and are used to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral meeting the specified requirements no later than the last day of the Due Period relating to the Payment Date next following such Payment Date.

In connection with a sale of an item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral after the Revolving Period or the receipt of Collateral Principal Collections due to an unscheduled prepayment after the Revolving Period, the Servicer may enter into commitments to apply such Collateral Disposition Proceeds or such unscheduled prepayments (net of accrued interest and costs) to the purchase of Portfolio Loans as either Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral having an Aggregate Principal Amount equal to or greater than the Principal Balance of the original item of Portfolio Collateral within 90 days of receipt of such proceeds, so long as the Servicer certifies as of the date of purchase that it reasonably believes at the time of such commitment that, after giving effect to such sale and subsequent purchase, (A) each of the Overcollateralization Tests and the other collateral criteria described herein would be satisfied and the Interest Coverage Test was satisfied for the most recent Payment Date, (B) such Portfolio Loan to be purchased has a Moody's Rating equal to or higher than the Moody's Rating of the original item of Portfolio Collateral, (C) such Portfolio Loan to be purchased has an S&P Rating equal to or higher than the S&P Rating of the original item of Portfolio Collateral, (D) such Portfolio Loan to be purchased has a stated maturity on or prior to the final maturity of such original item of Portfolio Collateral, (E) the Weighted Average Life of the Portfolio Collateral would not be increased and (F) neither Rating Agency has reduced or withdrawn (and not restored) the rating assigned by it on the Closing Date to any Class of Notes.

No purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral will be permitted during the continuance of an Event of Default.

No acquisition or disposition of any item of Portfolio Collateral or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) will be permitted for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. In addition, the Issuer may not dispose of any item of Portfolio Collateral unless such disposition is made on an "arm's-length basis" for fair market value (as determined at the time the Issuer first enters into a binding commitment to dispose of such item of Portfolio Collateral). Any disposition of Portfolio Collateral will be conducted in accordance with the requirements of the Servicing Agreement and, if effected with the Servicer, the

Co-Issuers, the Trustee or any of their affiliates, will be effected in a secondary market transaction on terms as favorable to the holders of the Notes as would be the case if such person were not so affiliated. In the event of an Optional Redemption, or Tax Event Redemption, the Servicer may direct the Trustee to sell certain Portfolio Collateral without regard to the foregoing limitations (except for the limitation that no Portfolio Collateral be disposed of for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes); provided that (i) the proceeds therefrom will be at least sufficient to pay certain expenses and other amounts and redeem in whole but not in part all Notes to be redeemed simultaneously; and (ii) such proceeds are used to make such a redemption. See "Description of the Notes-Optional Redemption," "Tax Event Redemption" and "Special Redemption."

The Servicer will select the Initial Portfolio Collateral and will be responsible for monitoring the items of Portfolio Collateral that at any time are included in the Trust Estate, selecting Additional Portfolio Collateral and Substitute Portfolio Collateral and effecting additions and substitutions. Any addition or substitution of an item of Portfolio Collateral by the Servicer shall be in accordance with the applicable requirements provided in the Servicing Agreement.

#### Accounts

All Collections will be remitted to the Collection Account and will be available, to the extent described herein, for application in the manner and for the purposes described herein. Funds held in the Collection Account that are not used to purchase or committed to use to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral will be held by the Trustee, as directed by the Servicer, as soon as practicable in Eligible Investments. All Eligible Investments in the Collection Account must mature on or before the Business Day prior to the next Payment Date. The Trustee may establish any number of sub-accounts to the Collection Account for its convenience in administering the accounts and the Trust Estate.

All cash pledged to the Trustee on the Closing Date which is to be used to purchase additional Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date will be deposited into the Initial Deposit Account. Funds held in the Initial Deposit Account pending use to purchase additional Original Portfolio Collateral will be held by the Trustee, as directed by the Servicer, in Eligible Investments. Eligible Investments in the Initial Deposit Account are to mature no later than the Business Day prior to the date on which such funds are to be invested in additional Original Portfolio Collateral; *provided* that, to the extent the Deposit in the Initial Deposit Account is not so used or committed to be used on or before the Effective Date such unused amount will be applied to effect an Initial Deposit Redemption of the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class X Notes, in the order described herein, or deposited in the Collection Account as described herein.

If, at any time on or after the Effective Date, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to the Original Portfolio Collateral on or prior to such time) exceeds the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount and there are funds remaining from the Deposit held in the Initial Deposit Account, the Servicer may direct the Trustee to transfer up to the lesser of U.S.\$1,000,000 and 25% of such funds to the Collection Account as additional Collateral Interest Collections; *provided* that the Overcollateralization Tests and the collateral criteria described herein are satisfied and the Interest Coverage Test for the most recent Payment Date was satisfied. The remainder of the Deposit shall be used to purchase Portfolio Collateral, as directed by the Servicer.

An Expense Reimbursement Account of U.S.\$50,000 will be established by the Issuer and pledged to the Trustee for the payment of Issuer administrative expenses which become due and must be paid between Payment Dates. Any amounts withdrawn from the Expense Reimbursement Account will be reimbursed on each Payment Date in accordance with the priority of the distribution provisions described herein. Funds held in the Expense Reimbursement Account will be held by the Trustee, as directed by the Servicer, in Eligible Investments. Eligible Investments in the Expense Reimbursement Account are to mature on or before the date on which such funds are expected to be used by the Issuer for the payment of expenses.

A Closing Expense Account will be established by the Trustee. From the Closing Date to the Payment Date occurring in November 2006 (or February 2007, to the extent unpaid expenses are identified to the Trustee), funds deposited in the Closing Expense Account will be used to pay the fees, commissions and expenses associated

with the issuance of the Notes. Funds held in the Closing Expense Account will be held by the Trustee, as directed by the Servicer, in Eligible Investments. On the Payment Date occurring in November 2006 (or February 2007, to the extent unpaid expenses are identified to the Trustee), any remaining funds in the Closing Expense Account (not being held for a pre-approved closing expense) will be transferred to the Collection Account and applied as Collateral Interest Collections.

A Reserve Account will be established by the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders and the other secured parties under the Indenture, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal at the direction of the Servicer. On the Closing Date, the Trustee, at the direction of the Issuer, shall deposit into the Reserve Account approximately \$1,600,000 from the net proceeds of the Offering. Amounts on deposit in the Reserve Account shall be held in Eligible Investments in accordance with the Indenture.

A Loan Funding Account will be established by the Issuer with the Trustee into which an amount equal to the Issuer's commitment to make or otherwise fund advances related to the Delayed Drawdown Loans and the Revolving Loans will be deposited. Such amount will be reduced upon a sale in whole or in part of such Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan as prescribed in the Indenture. Funds held in the Loan Funding Account will be held by the Trustee, as directed by the Servicer, in Eligible Investments. Eligible Investments in the Loan Funding Account are required to mature no later than one Business Day after the date such Eligible Investment is purchased.

A Default Swap Collateral Account will be established for each Default Swap. The Trustee will deposit into each such Default Swap Collateral Account on the Closing Date or on the date any such Default Swap is entered into, as applicable, the amount required to secure the obligations of the Issuer in accordance with the terms of the related Default Swap, which amount shall be at least equal to the amount referred to in paragraph (iv) of the definition of Default Swap Collateral.

Amounts on deposit in a Default Swap Collateral Account will be maintained in accordance with the terms and provisions of the related Default Swap. Amounts and property credited to a Default Swap Collateral Account shall be withdrawn by the Trustee and applied to the payment of any amounts payable by, or to the delivery of securities deliverable by, the Issuer to the related Default Swap Counterparty in accordance with the terms of such Default Swap. Income received on amounts on deposit in a Default Swap Collateral Account will be applied in accordance with the terms of the applicable Default Swap to the payment of any periodic amounts owed by the Issuer to the applicable Default Swap Counterparty on the date such amounts are due. After application of such amounts, any income then contained in such Default Swap Collateral Account will be withdrawn from such account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Collateral Interest Collections. After payment of all amounts owing by the Issuer to a Default Swap Counterparty in accordance with the terms of the related Default Swap (other than any Default Swap Counterparty Termination Payment) the Trustee shall be directed to withdraw all funds and other property credited to the Default Swap Collateral Account related to such Default Swap and credit such funds and other property to the Collection Account, as Collateral Principal Collections (in the case of cash and Eligible Investments) and the Collateral Account (in the case of Portfolio Collateral and other financial assets) for application as Collateral Principal Collections (other than any income thereon which will be Collateral Interest Collections) in accordance with the terms of the Indenture. Any Default Swap Counterparty Termination Payments owed by the Issuer to the Default Swap Counterparty shall be paid solely from amounts available therefor under the priority of payment provisions described herein.

Except for interest on securities credited to a Default Swap Collateral Account payable to the Issuer as described pursuant to the preceding paragraph, funds and other property standing to the credit of a Default Swap Collateral Account will not be considered to be an asset of the Issuer for purposes of the Interest Coverage Test or the Overcollateralization Tests; *provided, however that* the Default Swap that relates to such Default Swap Collateral Account will be considered an asset of the Issuer for such purposes.

If the terms of any Default Swap require the Default Swap Counterparty to secure its obligations with respect to such Default Swap, the Trustee will cause to be established a Default Swap Issuer Account in respect of such Default Swap. The Trustee shall credit to any such Default Swap Issuer Account all funds and other property received from the applicable Default Swap Counterparty to secure the obligations of such Default Swap Counterparty in accordance with the terms of such Default Swap.

Funds and other property standing to the credit of any Default Swap Issuer Account will not be considered to be an asset of the Issuer for purposes of the Interest Coverage Test or the Overcollateralization Tests; *provided, however that* the Default Swap that relates to such Default Swap Issuer Account will be considered an asset of the Issuer for such purposes.

In accordance with the terms of the applicable Default Swap, funds and other property standing to the credit of the related Default Swap Issuer Account will be withdrawn by the Trustee and applied to the payment of any amount owing by the related Default Swap Counterparty to the Issuer. After payment of all amounts owing by the Default Swap Counterparty to the Issuer in accordance with the terms of the related Default Swap, all funds and other property standing to the credit of the related Default Swap Issuer Account will be withdrawn from such Default Swap Issuer Account and paid or transferred to the related Default Swap Counterparty in accordance with the applicable Default Swap.

#### Note Valuation Report; Noteholder Reports

Promptly after receipt by the Trustee thereof, but in any event not later than the Business Day prior to each Payment Date, the Trustee shall deliver (or otherwise make available) to each Noteholder and each Rating Agency a Noteholder report setting forth certain information regarding payments due to the Noteholders on such Payment Date and the Pledged Securities. In addition, not later than the first day (or, if such day is not a Business Day, on the next succeeding Business Day) of each month (for months in which no Payment Date occurs) or the related Payment Date (for months in which a Payment Date occurs), commencing in July, 2006, the Issuer shall provide, or procure the provision, to each Rating Agency and the Trustee, who shall forward a copy (or otherwise make available) to each Noteholder, a monthly report containing additional information with respect to the Pledged Securities included in the Trust Estate. Except as provided herein, the Indenture provides that the information contained in these reports is confidential and may not be disclosed, except as provided therein.

Pursuant to the Indenture, the Issuer will consent to the posting of each such report, together with this Confidential Offering Circular, the Indenture and any amendments or modifications thereto, to the internet based password protected electronic repository of transaction documents relating to privately offered and sold collateralized debt obligation securities located at "www.cdolibrary.com".

### **MATURITY AND PREPAYMENT CONSIDERATIONS**

The Final Maturity Date of the Class X Notes is the Payment Date occurring in August 2013 and the Final Maturity Date of each other Class of Notes is the Payment Date occurring in August 2021, or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Final Maturity Date, and subject to prior redemption under the circumstances described herein. The average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years until the Final Maturity Date, and the average lives may vary due to various factors. The average life of each Class of Notes, refers to the weighted amount of time that will elapse from the date of delivery of such Notes until each dollar of the principal of such securities will be paid to the investor. Such average lives will be determined by the amount and frequency of principal payments which in turn are dependent upon, among other things, the amount of sinking fund payments and other payments received at or in advance of the scheduled maturity of Portfolio Collateral (whether through sale, maturity, redemption, prepayment, default or other liquidation or disposition). The actual average life and final maturity of each Class of Notes will be affected by the financial condition of the issuers of the underlying Portfolio Collateral and the characteristics of such collateral, including the existence and frequency of exercise of any optional or mandatory redemption features, the prevailing level of interest rates, the redemption price, the actual default rate and the actual level and timing of recoveries on any Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, the frequency of tender or exchange offers for such item of Portfolio Collateral, and the ability of the Issuer to reinvest proceeds in Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral satisfying the criteria set forth in the Indenture and the interest rates obtained in connection with the purchase of such Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral or in connection with the application of proceeds to purchase Eligible Investments. It is expected that a substantial amount (by Principal Balance) of the Portfolio Collateral will be subject to mandatory redemption or optional redemption or prepayment by the issuer thereof or obligor thereunder. Any acquisition of Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral or disposition of an item of Portfolio Collateral will likely change the composition and characteristics of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate and the rate of payment thereon, and, accordingly, may affect the actual average life of the Notes. See "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition

of Portfolio Collateral."

In addition, the Notes are subject to redemption at the times and under the circumstances described herein, including Initial Deposit Redemption, O/C Redemption (other than with respect to the Class X Notes), Optional Redemption, Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption, Tax Event Redemption and Special Redemption (other than with respect to the Class X Notes), as described herein. Any such redemption will affect the average lives of the Notes.

Under the assumptions identified below, the Class X Notes are expected to have an average life of approximately 4.35 years and an expected final payment occurring on the Payment Date in August 2013, the Class A-1LA Notes are expected to have an average life of approximately 6.80 years and an expected final payment occurring on the Payment Date in August 2014, the Class A-1LB Notes are expected to have an average life of approximately 8.23 years and an expected final payment occurring on the Payment Date in August 2014, the Class A-2L Notes are expected to have an average life of approximately 8.23 years and an expected final payment occurring on the Payment Date in August 2014, the Class A-3L Notes are expected to have an average life of approximately 8.23 years and an expected final payment occurring on the Payment Date in August 2014, the Class A-4L Notes are expected to have an average life of approximately 8.23 years and an expected final payment occurring on the Payment Date in August 2014, and the Class B-1L Notes are expected to have an average life of approximately 8.23 years and an expected final payment occurring on the Payment Date in August 2014. There can be no assurance that the average lives and expected final payment of any Class of Notes will be as set forth above. Prospective investors should make their own determinations of the payments expected to be made in respect of the Notes.

The hypothetical scenario used to determine the average lives of the Notes is as follows: (i) approximately U.S.\$850,000,000 in Aggregate Principal Amount of various assumed Portfolio Collateral would be purchased on the Closing Date using all funds available on the Closing Date for the purchase of Portfolio Collateral; (ii) 100% of the Portfolio Collateral (by Aggregate Principal Amount) will consist of Floating Rate Collateral which will have a weighted average margin (in order to adjust for not being fully invested in Portfolio Collateral until after the second Payment Date) of (a) 2.5457% from the Closing Date to the first Payment Date and (b) 2.5900% thereafter; (iii) all Floating Rate Collateral bear interest based on three-month LIBOR. Three-month LIBOR is approximately 5.2041% for the first period and 3 month forward LIBOR thereafter; (iv) the Portfolio Collateral has a scheduled maturity date of November 1, 2015, with respect to Portfolio Loans, and August 1, 2014, with respect to CLO Securities, with a weighted average maturity date of May 8, 2015; (v) no Initial Deposit Redemption, Special Redemption, Tax Event Redemption or Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption of the Notes is made; (vi) an Optional Redemption occurs on the Payment Date occurring in August 1, 2014; (vii) the Additional Portfolio Floating Collateral purchased from Collections as described herein will bear interest quarterly at the rate of 2.85% per annum above LIBOR for the first year, 2.95% per annum above LIBOR for the second year, 3.00% per annum above LIBOR for the third year, 3.00% per annum above LIBOR for the fourth year and 3.00% per annum above LIBOR thereafter; (viii) all Additional Portfolio Collateral in the portfolio become callable or prepayable on the payment date immediately following the purchase date and are callable at their respective call price; (ix) all Eligible Investments will bear interest at a rate of LIBOR *minus* 0.25% per annum; (x) the Additional Portfolio Collateral have an initial call price of par; and (xi) the Additional Portfolio Collateral have a 6 year maturity in the case of the Floating Rate Collateral. In addition, it is assumed that no calls or defaults with respect to such Additional Portfolio Collateral will occur on the Final Maturity Date.

Further, the hypothetical scenario assumes that there are no defaults during the period from the Closing Date to February 1, 2007 and there are defaults equal to 3.00% per annum thereafter until the Optional Redemption occurs on the Payment Date occurring in August 1, 2014. The principal recovery on any defaulted Portfolio Loan and any defaulted underlying loan in a CLO Security is assumed to be 75% and in each case such recovery is assumed to occur at the default date. It is also assumed that the Scheduled Distributions on Portfolio Collateral are timely received and that such distributions earn the indicated interest rates until the next payment date without compounding. It is assumed that Floating Rate Collateral has no prepayment for one period after the Closing Date; thereafter prepayments are calculated on a 20% per annum constant prepayment rate basis for Portfolio Loans. It is assumed that during any period when the Overcollateralization Tests or the Interest Coverage Test are not satisfied, principal payments (or, in the case of the Class B-1L Notes, payments of accrued and unpaid interest and then

principal) will be made in respect of the Notes to the extent necessary to satisfy the Overcollateralization Tests or the Interest Coverage Test, as applicable (to the extent funds are available therefor).

The Base Fee Amount and the Additional Fee Amount, are assumed to be approximately 0.55% *per annum* in aggregate, and the Trustee Administrative Expenses, Issuer Base Administrative Expenses and Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses will be 0.0275% (but no less than \$75,000 *per annum*) *plus* U.S.\$250,000 *per annum*, in the aggregate, each as a percentage of either the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral as of the first day of the Due Period relating to each Payment Date or the average of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral as of the first day of the Due Period relating to each Payment Date and the last day of the Due Period relating to such Payment Date, as appropriate for the related fee and subject to the availability of funds in the performance scenario. For purposes of calculating the Base Fee Amount and the Additional Fee Amount, the Quarterly Collateral Amount on the first calculation date is assumed to be U.S.\$850,000,000.

Cash received on or before a Calculation Date is assumed to be available on the following Payment Date. Cash collected after the Calculation Date but before the immediately following Payment Date is assumed to be used to purchase Eligible Investments until the second succeeding Payment Date. With respect to Floating Rate Collateral, the accrual date on Portfolio Collateral is assumed to be the full quarterly period before the Payment Date subsequent to the Closing Date.

The weighted average lives and expected final payment dates described above are included only for illustrative purposes. The usefulness of these scenarios is limited by, among other things, the predictive value of the underlying assumptions, the uncertain relevance of the assumptions as compared to other factors which have not been identified or taken into account, and assumptions incorporated with respect to the timing of cash flows, prepayments, defaults and recoveries on the Portfolio Collateral and available interest rates. The assumptions are inherently subject to significant economic uncertainties, all of which are impossible to predict and beyond the control of the Co-Issuers. **There can be no assurance that any particular performance scenario will be realized, and the performance of the Notes may be materially different from that shown. Such scenario is not a projection or forecast and was not prepared with a view to complying with published guidelines of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission or the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants regarding projections or forecasts. Under no circumstances should the inclusion of such information be regarded as a representation, warranty or prediction with respect to their accuracy or the accuracy or appropriateness of the underlying assumptions, or that the Notes will achieve or are likely to achieve any particular results. There can be no assurance that the actual performance of the Notes will not vary materially from the scenario and assumptions set forth herein or otherwise used by a prospective investor. Moreover, to the extent that the individual characteristics of the assumed Portfolio Collateral used for such purposes differ from the individual characteristics of the actual Portfolio Collateral purchased on the Closing Date and thereafter, the actual performance of the Notes may differ. Prospective investors should conduct such financial analysis as they deem prudent, which may include the preparation of their own performance scenarios under a range of economic and other assumptions chosen by such prospective investors or their advisers. Each prospective investor must make its own evaluation of the merits and risks of investment in the Notes. See "Special Considerations—Nature of Collateral Pledged to Secure the Notes; Ability to Obtain Additional Portfolio Collateral; Availability of Funds for Subordinate Payments," "Special Considerations—Sale of Portfolio Collateral by Servicer under Certain Circumstances" and "Special Considerations—Default Rates of Commercial Loans and CLO Securities."**

## LEGAL STRUCTURE

### The Indenture

The following summaries generally describe certain provisions of the Indenture. The summaries do not purport to be complete and are subject to, and qualified in their entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Indenture.

**Modification of Indenture.** Except as set forth below, with the consent of the Requisite Noteholders and the Servicer, the Trustee and the Co-Issuers may execute a supplemental indenture to add provisions to, or change in any manner or eliminate any provisions of, the Indenture or modify in any manner the rights of the Holders of such

Notes. However, without the consent of the Holders of each Outstanding Note affected thereby, and, to the extent provided in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Holders of the Preferred Shares materially adversely affected thereby, no supplemental indenture may (i) change the maturity of the principal of or interest on any Note or reduce the principal amount thereof or the rate of interest thereon or change the time or amount of any other amount payable in respect of any Note, (ii) reduce the percentage of Holders of Notes whose consent is required for the authorization of any supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of the Indenture, (iii) impair or adversely affect the Trust Estate securing the Notes, (iv) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on parity with the lien of the Indenture with respect to any part of the Trust Estate or terminate the lien of the Indenture, (v) reduce the percentage of Holders of Notes whose consent is required to direct the Trustee to liquidate the Trust Estate, (vi) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture with respect to supplemental indentures or waiver of Defaults and their consequences except to increase the percentage of Outstanding Notes whose consent is required for any such action or to provide that other provisions of the Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note affected thereby, (vii) modify the provisions thereof relating to priority of distributions or subordination or the definition therein of the terms "Holder," "Noteholder," "Majority Noteholder," "Majority Preferred Shareholder," "Outstanding," or "Requisite Noteholder," (viii) modify any provisions in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount or timing of any payment of interest or principal due on any Note on any Payment Date (including the calculation of any of the individual components of such calculation) or to affect the rights of the Holders of Notes to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of such Notes contained in the Indenture; (ix) modify any provision relating to the institution of proceedings for the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to be adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, (x) amend any provision that provides that the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer are non-recourse obligations or (xi) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of principal of or interest on or other amount in respect of any Note or to affect the right of the Holders of Notes to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of such Notes contained therein.

The Co-Issuers and the Trustee may also enter into supplemental indentures with the consent of the Servicer but without obtaining the consent of Noteholders, in order to (i) evidence the succession of any person to the Co-Issuers, (ii) evidence the addition of an additional issuer or of a wholly owned subsidiary of the Issuer that, in either case, will acquire securities from the Issuer and pledge its assets to secure the obligations of the Issuer secured by the Trust Estate, to the extent necessary to permit the Issuer to comply with the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder or any other statute, rule or regulation applicable to the Issuer, and the assumption by any such additional issuer or subsidiary of the covenants and obligations of the Issuer in the Indenture and, if applicable, in the Notes, (iii) add to the covenants of the Co-Issuers for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes or to surrender any right or power conferred upon the Co-Issuers, (iv) pledge any property to or with the Trustee, (v) evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment by a successor trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of the Indenture as shall be necessary to facilitate the administration of the Trust Estate by more than one Trustee, (vi) correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of the Indenture, or to better assure, convey and confirm unto the Trustee any property subject to the lien of the Indenture, (vii) take any action necessary or helpful to prevent the Issuer or the Trustee from becoming subject to any withholding or other taxes or assessments or to reduce the risk that the Issuer will be engaged in a United States trade or business or otherwise subject to United States income tax on a net income basis, (viii) correct any manifest error in the Indenture, (ix) facilitate the delivery and maintenance of the Notes in accordance with the requirements of DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream, (x) facilitate the listing of all or any of the Notes on one or more securities exchanges, (xi) modify the restrictions on and procedures for resale and other transfer of the Notes in accordance with any change in applicable law or regulation or enable the Co-Issuers to rely upon any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities Act or the Investment Company Act, (xii) cure any ambiguity, or correct, modify or supplement any provision which is defective or inconsistent with any other provision in the Indenture, (xiii) to effectuate a Noteholder's election to acquire bond insurance, a surety bond or similar credit enhancement as described in the Indenture, or (xiv) prevent the Issuer from becoming an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act or better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 thereunder; *provided* that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Initial Purchaser shall have (A) satisfied the Rating Condition with respect to such supplemental indenture and (B) received a customary, unqualified opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such supplemental indenture, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act; *provided* further that (A) any such amendment for any matters described in clauses (i) through (xiii) shall not materially adversely affect the interests of the Holders of the Notes and (B) no



amendment shall be made that would cause the Issuer to register as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act.

The Trustee will not be permitted to enter into any supplemental indenture if such amendment would materially adversely affect the interests of the Preferred Shareholders without the consent of the Holders representing at least 66-2/3% of the outstanding Preferred Shares.

Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the above provisions, the Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall deliver to the Holders of the Notes, the Servicer, the Preferred Share Paying and Transfer Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preferred Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) a copy of such supplemental indenture and shall request any required consent from the applicable Holders of Notes and Preferred Shares to be given within the Initial Consent Period. Any consent given to a proposed supplemental indenture by the Holder of any Notes or Preferred Shares shall be irrevocable and binding on all future Holders or beneficial owners of Notes or Preferred Shares, irrespective of the execution date of the supplemental indenture. If the Holders of less than the required percentage of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the relevant Notes or required percentage of the Preferred Shares consent to a proposed supplemental indenture within the Initial Consent Period, on the first Business Day after the Initial Consent Period, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Servicer which Holders of Notes and Preferred Shares have consented to the proposed supplemental indenture and, which Holders (and, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the Trustee, which beneficial owners) have not consented to the proposed supplemental indenture. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser intends to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall so notify the Trustee (which notice shall designate a date for the Amendment Buy-Out to occur no earlier than 10 Business Days after the date of such notice) no later than five (5) Business Days after so being notified by the Trustee and the Trustee shall deliver such notice to all Holders of Notes and the Preferred Share Paying and Transfer Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preferred Shares). Any Non-Consenting Holder may give consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture until the 5th Business Day prior to the date of the Amendment Buy-Out designated by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and in such case shall cease to be a Non-Consenting Holder for purposes of the Amendment Buy-Out. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser exercises its Amendment Buy-Out Option and purchases the applicable Notes or Preferred Shares, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, as Holder or beneficial owner of the applicable Notes or Preferred Shares, may consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture within five (5) Business Days of the Amendment Buy-Out.

The Indenture provides that no amendment to any provision of the Indenture or any other transaction document that materially adversely affects the obligations of any Synthetic Security Counterparty will be of any effect without the consent of such Synthetic Security Counterparty and the Issuer will not enter into any such amendment unless such Synthetic Security Counterparty has consented thereto (which consent will not be unreasonably withheld).

The Co-Issuers and the Trustee may also enter into supplemental indentures upon satisfying the Rating Condition and receiving consent from the Servicer, but without obtaining the consent of any other Person, including any Noteholder or any Holder of Preferred Shares, in order to add additional rows to the Collateral Quality Matrix; *provided that* any such supplemental indenture which expands the minimum or maximum ranges of the Collateral Quality Matrix from that set forth in the Indenture on the Closing Date, shall require the prior consent of the Requisite Noteholders.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Trustee will not be permitted to enter into any supplemental indenture if, as a result of such supplemental indenture, the rating of any Class of Outstanding Notes (if then rated) would be reduced or withdrawn without the unanimous consent of the Holders of that Class of Notes.

#### Amendment Buy-Out

In the case of any supplemental indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of the Notes or Preferred Shares, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Notes and Preferred Shares held by such Holder whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture (the "**Amendment Buy-Out Option**") for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; *provided*, however, that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser may not exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option during the Non-Call Period in connection with a proposed amendment to reduce the rate of interest

on any Security, as applicable, or to change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preferred Shares may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer; *provided*, further that notwithstanding the definition of Non-Consenting Holder, any Holder of Notes (other than the Class A-1LA Notes) or Preferred Shares who fails to respond to any such consent solicitation shall be deemed to have consented to any such supplemental indenture. Notwithstanding the foregoing, during the Non-Call Period, "Non-Consenting Holder" shall exclude any Holder of Class A-1LA Notes (unless such Holder has consented in writing to be designated as a Non-Consenting Holder) and the Amendment Buy-Out Option shall not be applicable to such Class A-1LA Notes. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all Notes and Preferred Shares of Non-Consenting Holders, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes or Preferred Shares the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an "**Amendment Buy-Out**"). By its acceptance of a Note or Preferred Share, each Holder of a Note and Preferred Share agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its applicable Note or Preferred Share to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser. For the avoidance of doubt, nothing described above or in the Indenture shall in any way limit or restrict the rights of Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes to consent or withhold their consent to a supplemental indenture or otherwise vote their interest both during and after the Non-Call Period.

All purchases made pursuant to the Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Notes and Preferred Shares set forth in "Delivery of the Notes; Transfer Restrictions; Settlement" herein and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

Acts of Noteholders. Under the Indenture, with respect to any Noteholder which has notified the Trustee in writing that pursuant to such Noteholder's organizational documents or other documents governing such Noteholder's actions, such Noteholder is not permitted to take any affirmative action approving, rejecting or otherwise acting upon any Issuer request including, but not limited to, a request for the consent of such Noteholder to a proposed amendment or waiver pursuant to this Indenture, the failure by such Noteholder to consent to or reject any such requested action will be deemed a consent by such Noteholder to the requested action.

Consolidation, Merger or Transfer of Assets, Incurrence of Indebtedness, Conduct of Business. The Co-Issuers may not consolidate with, merge into, or transfer or convey all or substantially all of their assets to, any other corporation, partnership, trust or other person or entity (except for sales or exchanges of Portfolio Collateral as contemplated by the Indenture). In addition, the Co-Issuers may not incur any indebtedness other than the Notes and trade debt incidental to the performance of their obligations under the Indenture or engage in any business or activity other than the issuance of the Notes, the Preferred Shares, the ordinary shares and the other transactions and activities, as applicable, contemplated herein. Pursuant to the Indenture and the Co-Issuers' organizational documentation, the Co-Issuers may also not, without the consent of the Requisite Noteholders, amend their organizational documentation if such amendment would have a material adverse effect on the right of the Noteholders.

Events of Default. An event of default ("**Event of Default**") is defined in the Indenture as being (i) a default for four Business Days or more (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, any Paying Agent or the Note Registrar, for a period of seven Business Days or more, *provided* that the Trustee has notified each Rating Agency of any such administrative error or omission) in the payment of any amount payable in respect of any Note when due when funds in such amount are available for payment in accordance with the Indenture, (ii) a failure after four Business Days (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, any Paying Agent or the Note Registrar, for a period of seven Business Days or more, *provided* that the Trustee has notified each Rating Agency of any such administrative error or omission), to apply available amounts in accordance with the priority of distribution set forth in the Indenture, (iii) a default for four Business Days or more (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, any Paying Agent or the Note Registrar, for a period of seven Business Days or more, *provided* that the Trustee has notified each Rating Agency of any such administrative error or omission) in the payment of (A) the Periodic Interest Amount due on any Senior Class A Notes on any Payment Date or a Class X Payment due on any Class X Notes, (B) after the Senior Class A Notes and Class X Notes are paid in full, the Periodic Interest Amount due on the Class A-3L Notes on any Payment Date, (C) after the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-3L Notes and the Class X Notes are paid in full, the Periodic Interest Amount due on the Class

A-4L Notes on any Payment Date and (D) after the Class A Notes and the Class X Notes are paid in full, the Periodic Interest Amount due on the Class B-1L Notes on any Payment Date; (iv) a default in the payment of the Aggregate Principal Amount and the Cumulative Interest Amount due on any Class of Notes on the Final Maturity Date, (v) a default in the performance, or a breach of any covenant, representation, warranty or other agreement of the Co-Issuers (or either one of them) other than compliance with the Overcollateralization Tests, the Interest Coverage Test or the collateral quality criteria described herein, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Co-Issuers (or either one of them) in the Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant to or in connection with the Indenture to be correct in all material respects when the same shall have been made, in any such case which materially and adversely affects the rights of any Class of Noteholders and continuance of such default, breach or failure for a period of 30 days after written notice to the Co-Issuers or the Servicer by the Trustee or to the Co-Issuers or the Servicer and the Trustee by the Holders of at least a majority in principal amount of the Notes, (vi) certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or reorganization of the Co-Issuers, (vii) either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of assets constituting the Trust Estate becomes required to register as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act of 1940, (viii) the failure to maintain on any Calculation Date a Senior Class A Overcollateralization Ratio of at least 100%. The failure to pay in full Periodic Interest on the Class A-3L Notes as a result of insufficient funds being available therefor will not constitute an Event of Default so long as the Senior Class A Notes or Class X Notes are Outstanding. The failure to pay in full Periodic Interest on the Class A-4L Notes as a result of insufficient funds being available therefore will not constitute an Event of Default so long as the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-3L Notes or the Class X Notes are Outstanding. The failure to pay in full Periodic Interest on the Class B-1L Notes as a result of insufficient funds being available therefor will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Class A Notes or Class X Notes are Outstanding. An event of insolvency could result if relief has been ordered against the Co-Issuers in a case under applicable bankruptcy law and the Co-Issuers, the trustee, if any, for either of the Co-Issuers or a creditor of either of the Co-Issuers were to file an involuntary petition against either of the Co-Issuers. The filing of a petition against the Co-Issuers under applicable bankruptcy law could adversely affect the rights of the Holders of Notes to receive timely payments.

If an Event of Default (other than an Event of Default specified in clause (vi) above) under the Indenture should occur and be continuing with respect to the Notes, the Trustee may with the consent of the Requisite Noteholders, and shall, at the written direction of the Requisite Noteholders, declare the principal of the Notes to be immediately due and payable. Such declaration may under certain circumstances be rescinded by the Trustee with the consent of the Requisite Noteholders or at the written direction of the Requisite Noteholders. If an Event of Default specified in clause (vi) above should occur and be continuing, the principal of the Notes shall become immediately due and payable without the necessity of notice or any other action. If the Notes are accelerated, or if the Final Maturity Date has occurred, the Holders of the Notes shall be entitled to receive the Cumulative Interest Amount and the Aggregate Principal Amount with respect thereto (as calculated and accrued through the date of payment in full of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Notes) in the order of priority set forth under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions—Final Maturity Date."

If an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing or if the Final Maturity Date has occurred, the Trustee shall refrain from liquidating and shall preserve the Trust Estate intact unless (i) the Requisite Noteholders have directed the Trustee to sell or liquidate the Trust Estate or any portion thereof in the case of (A) an Event of Default resulting from failure to pay interest or principal on a Note or (B) a sale or liquidation of all or a portion of the Trust Estate at or above the aggregate par value of all Collateral so liquidated or sold (and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral may be liquidated or sold without reference to, or inclusion in the calculation of, such limitation), or (ii) 100% of the Noteholders have otherwise directed the Trustee to sell or liquidate the Trust Estate or any portion thereof. In addition, under certain circumstances, if an Event of Default as described under clauses (iii) and (iv) of "Events of Default" shall have occurred and be continuing, the Servicer may be terminated as described under "The Servicing Agreement—Termination of Servicing Agreement."

Pursuant to the Indenture, as security for the payment by the Issuer of the compensation and expenses of the Trustee and the Paying and Transfer Agent and any sums to which the Trustee and the Paying and Transfer Agent may be entitled to receive as indemnification by the Issuer, the Issuer has granted the Trustee a senior lien on the Trust Estate, which is senior to the lien of the Notes on the Trust Estate. These liens are exercisable by the Trustee or the Paying and Transfer Agent only if the Notes have been declared due and payable following an Event of Default, and the acceleration of the maturity of such Notes as a result of such Event of Default has not been rescinded or annulled.

Subject to the provisions of the Indenture relating to the duties of the Trustee in case an Event of Default with respect to the Notes shall occur and be continuing, the Trustee will be under no obligation to exercise any of the rights or powers under the Indenture at the request or direction of any Holders of Notes, unless such Holders shall have offered to the Trustee security or indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it. Subject to such provisions for indemnification and certain limitations contained in the Indenture, the Requisite Noteholders will have the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding of any remedy available to the Trustee or exercising any trust or power conferred on the Trustee with respect to the Notes; and, in certain cases, waive any default with respect to such Notes, except a default in payment of any amount payable in respect of any Note or a default in respect of a covenant or provision of the Indenture that cannot be modified without the waiver or consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note affected thereby.

Rights Under the Indenture. No Holder of a Note will have the right to institute any proceeding with respect to the Indenture, unless (1) such Holder previously has given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default with respect to such Notes, (2) the Requisite Noteholders have made written request upon the Trustee to institute such proceedings in its own name as Trustee, (3) such Holder or Holders have offered the Trustee indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it as provided in the Indenture, (4) the Trustee has for 30 days failed to institute any such proceeding, and (5) no direction inconsistent with such written request has been given to the Trustee during such 30-day period by the Requisite Noteholders.

Satisfaction and Discharge of the Indenture. The Indenture will be discharged with respect to the collateral securing the Notes upon delivery to the Trustee for cancellation of all of the Notes, or, within certain limitations (including the obligation to pay principal and interest), upon deposit with the Trustee of cash or Eligible Investments sufficient for the amount thereof.

Trustee. JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association will be the Trustee under the Indenture for the Notes. The Issuer, the Servicer and their affiliates may maintain other banking relationships in the ordinary course of business with the Trustee. The Indenture provides that the Trustee may appoint one or more co-trustees in the event that Holders of the Notes have conflicting interests and in certain other circumstances. The Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee may receive compensation in connection with the purchase of certain Eligible Investments as provided in the Indenture.

The parent company of the Trustee, JPMorgan Chase & Co. ("**JPMorgan**"), has entered into an agreement with The Bank of New York Company, Inc. ("**BNY**") pursuant to which JPMorgan intends to exchange select portions of its corporate trust business, including municipal, corporate and structured finance trusteeships, for BNY's consumer, small-business and middle-market banking businesses. This transaction has been approved by both companies' boards of directors and is subject to regulatory approvals. It is expected to close in the late third quarter or fourth quarter of 2006.

The Indenture contains provisions for the indemnification of the Trustee for any loss, liability or expense incurred without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of its duties under the Indenture.

The Trustee may resign at any time by giving notice as set forth in the Indenture. The Trustee may be removed for any reason by the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Controlling Class, or by the Issuer if at any time the Trustee fails to meet certain eligibility criteria set forth in the Indenture or if the Trustee is adjudged to be bankrupt or insolvent or a receiver or liquidator or similar official of the Trustee or its property is appointed. No resignation or removal of the Trustee shall be effective until a successor trustee has been appointed pursuant to the terms of the Indenture.

Governing Law. The Indenture and the other documents relating to the Notes will be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

Notices. Notices to the Holders of the Notes will be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the registered Holders of the Notes at their address appearing in the Note Register. In addition, for so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of such exchange so require, notice given to the Holders of any such Class of Notes will also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

Voting Rights of Preferred Shares of HFP. The aggregate amount of the Preferred Shares owned or controlled by HFP and the Servicer Entities in excess of the Original HFP Share Amount will be excluded from voting on certain matters including any Optional Redemption.

### **DELIVERY OF THE NOTES; TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS; SETTLEMENT**

The Notes have not been registered under the Securities Act or any state securities laws and, accordingly, may not be reoffered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. Persons, except in accordance with the restrictions described under "Notices to Purchasers." Terms used in this paragraph have the meanings given to them by Regulation S.

Without limiting the foregoing, by holding a Note, each Holder will acknowledge and agree, among other things, that such Holder understands that neither of the Co-Issuers is registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act, but that the Co-Issuers are exempt from registration as such by virtue of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act, which in general excludes from the definition of an investment company any issuer whose outstanding securities are beneficially owned solely by Qualified Purchasers and which has not made and does not propose to make a public offering of its securities and Rule 3a-7. Any sale or transfer which would violate these provisions shall be void from the time of such sale or transfer, and no sale or transfer may be made if such sale or transfer would require the Co-Issuers to become subject to the requirements of the Investment Company Act.

Each transferee of a Note (except with respect to a transfer pursuant to Regulation S) will be deemed to represent at time of transfer that the transferee is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (i) that it is a Qualified Purchaser, (ii) that it is not formed for the purpose of investing in the Notes, unless all of its beneficial owners are Qualified Purchasers, (iii) that it is not a dealer described in paragraph (a)(1)(ii) of Rule 144A unless such transferee owns and invests on a discretionary basis at least U.S.\$25 million in securities of issuers that are not affiliated persons of such dealer, (iv) that it is not a plan referred to in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(D) or (E) of Rule 144A or a trust fund referred to in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(F) of Rule 144A that holds the assets of such plan, unless investment decisions are made solely by the fiduciary, trustee or sponsor of such plan, (v) that it and each account for which it is purchasing is purchasing Notes in at least the minimum denomination and (vi) that it will provide written notice of the foregoing and any other applicable transfer restrictions to any transferee.

The Indenture provides that if, notwithstanding the restrictions on transfer contained therein, the Issuer determines any beneficial owner or Holder of a Note (other than a Note transferred in reliance on Regulation S) is not a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser, the Issuer will require that such beneficial owner or Holder sell all of its right title and interest in such Note to a person who is so qualified, with such sale to be effected within 30 days after notice of such sale requirement is given. If such sale is not effected within such 30 days, upon written direction from the Issuer, the Trustee (or an investment banker selected by the Trustee and approved by the Issuer) will be authorized to conduct a commercially reasonable sale of such Note to a person who does so qualify and pending transfer, no further payments will be made in respect of such Note or any beneficial interest therein.

Except for interests in Notes represented by a Regulation S Global Note or a Rule 144A Global Note as described herein, the Notes will be represented by definitive registered Notes registered in the name of the purchaser thereof.

Unless determined otherwise by the Co-Issuers in accordance with applicable law, the Notes will bear the legend set forth below:

THIS NOTE HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), ANY STATE SECURITIES LAWS IN THE UNITED STATES OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY OTHER JURISDICTION AND MAY NOT BE REOFFERED, RESOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, UNITED STATES PERSONS, EXCEPT AS PERMITTED BY THIS LEGEND. THE HOLDER HEREOF, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF THIS NOTE, REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT REOFFER, RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER THIS NOTE EXCEPT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT AND OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS AND EXCEPT (A) IN

COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, WHOM THE SELLER HAS INFORMED, IN EACH CASE, THAT THE REOFFER, RESALE, PLEDGE OR OTHER TRANSFER IS BEING MADE IN RELIANCE ON RULE 144A, PROVIDED THAT SUCH PURCHASER DELIVERS ALL DOCUMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS AS THE CO-ISSUERS OR THE TRUSTEE MAY REASONABLY REQUIRE; (B) TO A NON U.S. PERSON OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 903 OR 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT; OR (C) TO THE CO-ISSUERS OR THEIR AFFILIATES, IN EACH CASE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANY APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAW OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER JURISDICTION. THE HOLDER HEREOF, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF THIS NOTE, REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT REOFFER, RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER THIS NOTE EXCEPT TO A NON-U.S. PERSON OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATION S OR TO A "QUALIFIED PURCHASER" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE "INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT"), IN A TRANSACTION THAT DOES NOT CAUSE THE CO-ISSUERS TO BE REQUIRED TO REGISTER UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT. FURTHER, THE CLASS X NOTES, THE CLASS A-1LA NOTES, THE CLASS A-1LB NOTES, THE CLASS A-2L NOTES, THE CLASS A-3L NOTES AND THE CLASS A-4L NOTES MAY NOT BE SOLD OR TRANSFERRED UNLESS SUCH SALE OR TRANSFER WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE. THE CLASS B-1L NOTES MAY NOT BE SOLD OR TRANSFERRED TO ANY PLAN SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, OR TO ANY PERSON ACTING ON BEHALF OF OR WITH "PLAN ASSETS" OF ANY SUCH PLAN, INCLUDING AN INSURANCE COMPANY GENERAL ACCOUNT, UNLESS THE PURCHASER OR TRANSFEREE IS ELIGIBLE FOR THE EXEMPTIVE RELIEF AVAILABLE UNDER PTCE 96-23, 95-60, 91-38, 90-1 OR 84-14.

EACH TRANSFEREE OF A NOTE (EXCEPT WITH RESPECT TO A TRANSFER PURSUANT TO REGULATION S) WILL BE DEEMED TO REPRESENT AT TIME OF TRANSFER THAT SUCH TRANSFEREE IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER OR A NON U.S. PERSON AND (I) THAT IT IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER, (II) THAT IT IS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE NOTES, UNLESS ALL OF ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS ARE QUALIFIED PURCHASERS, (III) THAT IT IS NOT A DEALER DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (a)(1)(ii) OF RULE 144A UNLESS SUCH TRANSFEREE OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS AT LEAST U.S.\$25 MILLION IN SECURITIES OF ISSUERS THAT ARE NOT AFFILIATED PERSONS OF SUCH DEALER, (IV) THAT IT IS NOT A PLAN REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH (a)(1)(i)(D) OR (E) OF RULE 144A OR A TRUST FUND REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH (a)(1)(i)(F) OF RULE 144A THAT HOLDS THE ASSETS OF SUCH PLAN, UNLESS INVESTMENT DECISIONS ARE MADE SOLELY BY THE FIDUCIARY, TRUSTEE OR SPONSOR OF SUCH PLAN, (V) THAT IT AND EACH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS PURCHASING IS PURCHASING NOTES IN AT LEAST THE MINIMUM DENOMINATION AND (VI) THAT IT WILL PROVIDE WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE FOREGOING AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS TO ANY TRANSFEREE.

THE INDENTURE PROVIDES THAT IF, NOTWITHSTANDING THE RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFER CONTAINED THEREIN, THE ISSUER DETERMINES ANY BENEFICIAL OWNER OR HOLDER OF A NOTE (OTHER THAN A NOTE TRANSFERRED IN RELIANCE ON REGULATION S) IS NOT A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER AND A QUALIFIED PURCHASER, THE ISSUER WILL REQUIRE THAT SUCH BENEFICIAL OWNER OR HOLDER SELL ALL OF ITS RIGHT TITLE AND INTEREST IN SUCH NOTE TO A PERSON WHO IS SO QUALIFIED, WITH SUCH SALE TO BE EFFECTED WITHIN 30

DAYS AFTER NOTICE OF SUCH SALE REQUIREMENT IS GIVEN. IF SUCH SALE IS NOT EFFECTED WITHIN SUCH 30 DAYS, UPON WRITTEN DIRECTION FROM THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE (OR AN INVESTMENT BANKER SELECTED BY THE TRUSTEE AND APPROVED BY THE ISSUER) WILL BE AUTHORIZED TO CONDUCT A COMMERCIALY REASONABLE SALE OF SUCH NOTE TO A PERSON WHO DOES SO QUALIFY AND PENDING TRANSFER, NO FURTHER PAYMENTS WILL BE MADE IN RESPECT OF SUCH NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN.

TRANSFERS OF THE NOTES MUST GENERALLY BE ACCOMPANIED BY APPROPRIATE TAX TRANSFER DOCUMENTATION AND ARE SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS AS PROVIDED IN THE INDENTURE.

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS PROVIDED PURSUANT TO UNITED STATES TREASURY REGULATION SECTION 1.1275-3(b). THIS NOTE HAS BEEN ISSUED WITH ORIGINAL ISSUE DISCOUNT FOR UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES. THE HOLDER OF THIS NOTE MAY OBTAIN THE INFORMATION DESCRIBED IN UNITED STATES TREASURY REGULATION SECTION 1.1275-3(b)(1)(i) FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR, AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS: P.O. BOX 1093 GT, GRAND CAYMAN, CAYMAN ISLANDS.

Subject to the restrictions on transfer set forth in the Indenture and the Notes and except with respect to transfer of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note or a Rule 144A Global Note (the procedure for which is set forth in the Indenture), the Holder of any Notes may transfer the same in whole or in part (in a principal amount equal to any authorized denomination) by surrendering such Notes at the corporate trust office of the Trustee or at the office of any transfer agent, together with an executed instrument of assignment and transfer substantially in the form attached to the Indenture. In exchange for any Notes properly presented for transfer with all necessary accompanying documentation, the Trustee will authenticate and deliver at the corporate trust office of the Trustee or the office of the transfer agent, as the case may be, to the transferee or send by first-class mail at the risk of the transferee to such address as the transferee may request, a Note or Notes, for a like aggregate principal amount and in such authorized denomination or denominations as may be requested. The presentation for transfer of any Notes will not be valid unless made at the office of the Trustee designated for such purpose or at the office of a transfer agent by the registered Holder in person, or by a duly authorized attorney-in-fact. The Holder of a Note will not be required to bear the costs and expenses of effecting any transfer or registration of transfer, except that the relevant Holder will be required to bear (i) the expenses of delivery by other than regular mail (if any) and (ii) if the Co-Issuers so require, the payment of a sum sufficient to cover any duty, stamp tax or governmental charge or insurance charges that may be imposed in relation thereto.

#### Settlement

All payments in respect of the Notes shall be made in United States dollars in same-day funds.

### **CERTAIN TAX CONSIDERATIONS**

#### Introduction

The following is a summary of certain of the United States federal income tax consequences of an investment in the Notes by purchasers that acquire their Notes in the initial offering. The discussion and the opinions referenced below are based upon laws, regulations, rulings, and decisions currently in effect, all of which are subject to change, possibly with retroactive effect. Prospective investors should note that no rulings have been or are expected to be sought from the Internal Revenue Service (the "IRS") with respect to any of the United States federal income tax consequences discussed below, and no assurance can be given that the IRS will not take contrary positions. Further, the following summary does not deal with all United States federal income tax consequences applicable to any given investor, nor does it address the United States federal income tax considerations applicable to all categories of investors, some of which may be subject to special rules, such as Non-U.S. Holders (defined below), banks, REITs, RICs, insurance companies, tax-exempt organizations, dealers in securities or currencies, electing large partnerships, natural persons, cash method taxpayers, S corporations, estates and trusts, investors that

hold their Notes as part of a hedge, straddle, or an integrated or conversion transaction, or investors whose "functional currency" is not the United States dollar. Furthermore, it does not address alternative minimum tax consequences, or the indirect effects on investors of equity interests in either a U.S. Holder (as defined below) or a Non-U.S. Holder. In addition, this summary is generally limited to investors that acquire their Notes on the Closing Date for the issue price applicable to such Notes and who will hold their Notes as "capital assets" within the meaning of Section 1221 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "**Code**"). Investors should consult their own tax advisors to determine the United States federal, state, local, and other tax consequences of the purchase, ownership, and disposition of the Notes.

As used herein, "**U.S. Holder**" means a beneficial owner of a Note that is an individual citizen or resident of the United States for United States federal income tax purposes, a corporation or other entity taxable as a corporation created or organized in or under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (including the District of Columbia), an estate the income of which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of its source, or a trust where a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and one or more United States persons (as defined in the Code) have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust (or a trust that has made a valid election under United States Treasury Regulations to be treated as a domestic trust). If a partnership holds Notes, the tax treatment of a partner will generally depend upon the status of the partner and upon the activities of the partnership. Partners of partnerships holding Notes should consult their own tax advisors. "**Non-U.S. Holder**" means any holder (or beneficial holder) of a Note that is not a U.S. Holder.

#### United States Federal Income Tax Consequences to the Issuer

Upon the issuance of the Notes, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, special United States tax counsel to the Issuer, will deliver an opinion generally to the effect that under current law, and assuming compliance with the Indenture (and certain other documents) and based on certain factual representations made by the Issuer and the Servicer, although the matter is not free from doubt, the Issuer will not be engaged in the conduct of a trade or business in the United States. Prospective investors should be aware that opinions of counsel are not binding on the IRS and the IRS might seek to treat the Issuer as engaged in a United States trade or business. In addition, the Issuer and Servicer are entitled to rely upon the advice and/or opinions of their selected counsel with respect to amendments, supplements and other modifications of the terms of the Portfolio Collateral and deviations from the investment guidelines set forth in the Servicing Agreement; the foregoing opinion assumes that any such advice and/or opinions will be correct and complete. It should be noted as well that the United States Treasury Department and the IRS recently announced that they are considering taxpayer requests for specific guidance on, among other things, whether a foreign person may be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States by virtue of entering into credit default swaps. No guidance has been issued to date. If any future guidance concludes that foreign persons entering into certain credit default swaps will be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States, such guidance would adversely impact the Issuer's ability to pay principal and interest on the Notes. Additionally, it should be noted that gain or loss on a disposition by a foreign person of a United States real property interest may be subject to United States federal income tax as if the foreign person were engaged in a United States trade or business (even if the foreign person is not actually so engaged). Because the determination of whether an asset constitutes a United States real property interest is made periodically, although the Issuer is prohibited from acquiring an asset that constitutes a United States real property interest, it is possible that an asset that was not a United States real property interest at the time such asset was acquired by the Issuer could become a United States real property interest after the asset is acquired. Similarly, if the Issuer accepted a new security in exchange for an existing security or if the terms of an existing security were modified, the new or modified security might cause the Issuer to become engaged in a United States trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes.

The Issuer intends to elect to be (and expects to be) treated as a partnership for United States federal income tax purposes. There can be no assurance, however, that the Issuer will not (at some point in time) become classified as a corporation for United States federal income tax purposes. If the Issuer were to be treated as a corporation and if the IRS were to successfully characterize the Issuer as engaged in a United States trade or business, among other consequences, the Issuer would be subject to net income taxation in the United States (as well as the branch profits tax) on its income that is effectively connected to the United States trade or business. The levying of such taxes would materially affect the Issuer's financial ability to pay principal and interest on the Notes.



The Issuer intends to acquire the Portfolio Collateral the interest on which and any gain from the sale or disposition with respect to which is not expected to be subject to United States federal withholding tax or withholding tax imposed by other countries (unless, in the case of interest, the obligor is required to "gross up" its payments to compensate for these taxes). The Issuer will not, however, make any independent investigation of the circumstances surrounding the issuance of the individual assets comprising the Portfolio Collateral and, thus, there can be no assurance that payments of interest on and gain from the sale or disposition of the Portfolio Collateral will in all cases be received free of withholding tax. It is not expected that the Issuer will derive material amounts of any other items of income that will be subject to United States withholding taxes. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any commitment fee, facility fee or other similar fee that the Issuer earns may be subject to a 30% United States federal withholding tax and any lending fees received under a securities lending agreement may also be subject to such tax.

If withholding or deduction of any taxes from payments on the Notes is required by law in any jurisdiction, the Issuer shall be under no obligation to make any additional payments to any holder in respect of such withholding or deduction.

#### Classification and Tax Treatment of the Notes

The Issuer has agreed and, by its acceptance of a Note, each holder will be deemed to have agreed, to treat each of the Notes as debt of the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes. Upon the issuance of the Notes, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP will deliver an opinion generally to the effect that, assuming compliance with the Indenture (and certain other documents) and based on certain factual representations made by the Issuer and the Servicer, the Notes should be characterized as debt of the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes. Prospective investors should be aware that opinions of counsel are not binding on the IRS, and there can be no assurance that the IRS will not seek to characterize any Class of Notes as other than indebtedness. However, except as provided under "Alternative Characterizations of the Notes," the balance of this discussion assumes that the Notes will be characterized as debt of the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes.

Each U.S. Holder will include interest on the Notes in income in accordance with its regular method of accounting for Federal income tax purposes unless the Notes are viewed as having been issued with original issue discount ("**OID**") in which case, generally, each U.S. Holder would be required to accrue interest on the Note on an accrual basis under a constant yield methodology, based on the original yield to maturity of the Note. Because interest on the Class A-3L Notes, Class A-4L Notes and Class B-1L Notes may be deferred without giving rise to an Event of Default, all interest (including interest on accrued but unpaid interest) will be treated as OID unless the likelihood of deferral is remote. The Issuer has not determined whether the likelihood of interest being deferred is remote for this purpose, and hence will treat the interest on the Class A-3L Notes, Class A-4L Notes and Class B-1L Notes as OID. Even if the likelihood of deferral is remote, if the Issuer does in fact defer interest on a Class of Notes, a U.S. Holder would thereafter be required to accrue interest (including deferred interest) with respect to such Notes as OID. Any accrued but unpaid OID included in income by a U.S. Holder would increase the U.S. Holder's basis in the Note and thereby reduce the amount of gain or increase the amount of loss recognized by the U.S. Holder on a subsequent sale or other disposition of the Note.

If any of the Notes are viewed as having been issued with OID, the OID may be accruable under the special rules set forth in Section 1272(a)(6) of the Code (which apply to debt instruments that may be accelerated by reason of the prepayment of other debt obligations securing such debt instruments). If Section 1272(a)(6) does not apply, the Notes might be treated as "contingent payment debt instruments" ("**CPDIs**") within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.1275-4. If any Class of Notes were considered CPDIs, among other consequences, gain on the sale of such Notes that might otherwise be capital gain would be ordinary income. Prospective investors should consult their own tax advisors regarding the potential application of Section 1272(a)(6) of the Code to the Notes and the rules governing CPDIs.

The United States federal income tax consequences of a Maturity Extension are unclear. If a Maturity Extension occurs with respect to the Notes (other than the Class X Notes), the Issuer intends to treat such Notes, solely for purposes of sections 1272 and 1273 of the Code, as having been retired and reissued for an amount equal to their adjusted issue price on the date of the new Extension Effective Date. Additionally, U.S. Holders may be deemed for United States federal income tax purpose to have exchanged their Notes in a taxable exchange for new

notes with an extended final maturity date (the "New Notes") if, at such time, the Extension Qualifying Purchaser is related to the Issuer within the meaning of Section 267(b) or 707(b)(1) of the Code. If such relationship existed, U.S. Holders that did not exercise their right to put their Notes to the Extension Qualifying Purchaser may be treated as having acquired such New Notes with market discount or premium (and there might be other possible tax consequences). In addition, if the Notes are treated as exchanged for New Notes, the characterization of the New Notes (as debt or equity) would depend on the facts and circumstances existing at the time of such deemed exchange. In the event of a Maturity Extension, all U.S. Holders are urged to consult their own tax advisors with respect to whether the Extension Qualifying Purchaser is related to the Issuer, and, if so, the United States federal income tax consequences of any deemed exchange.

The tax treatment of the Extension Bonus Payment is also unclear. The Issuer intends to take the position that the Extension Bonus Payment is an incidental payment within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.1275-2(h)(3), and that the amount of such payment should be includible in income as ordinary income in accordance with the U.S. Holder's normal method of tax accounting. The Issuer's determination with respect to this issue will not be binding on the IRS, but will be binding on any U.S. Holder that does not disclose an objection on its timely filed tax return for the taxable year that includes the acquisition date of such Note. U.S. Holders should consult with their own tax advisors concerning the proper taxation and characterization of such payments, and whether the right to such payments could cause the Notes to be subject to the OID rules or to be treated as CPDIs.

In general, a U.S. Holder of a Note will have a basis in such Note equal to the cost of such Note to such U.S. Holder, increased by any amount includible in income by such U.S. Holder as OID and reduced by any amortized premium, any principal payments and any payments of OID. Upon a sale, exchange or other disposition of a Note, a U.S. Holder will generally recognize gain or loss equal to the difference between the amount realized on the sale, exchange or other disposition (less any accrued and unpaid interest, which would be taxable as such) and the U.S. Holder's tax basis in such Note (as reduced by any accrued and unpaid interest). Such gain or loss generally will be long-term capital gain or loss if the U.S. Holder held the Note for more than one year at the time of disposition (other than accrued market discount if the U.S. Holder did not elect to include such discount in income on a current basis). In certain circumstances, U.S. Holders that are individuals may be entitled to preferential treatment for net long-term capital gains; however, the ability of U.S. Holders to offset capital losses against ordinary income is limited.

The Indenture provides that Holders of any Class of Notes may elect to acquire credit enhancement on terms and conditions acceptable to such Holders. Prior to acquiring such enhancement, U.S. Holders should consult with their own tax advisors concerning the treatment of the credit enhancement for United States federal income tax purposes (including the viability of integrating the Notes and the credit enhancement).

#### Alternative Characterizations of the Notes

Notwithstanding special United States tax counsel's opinion, U.S. Holders should recognize that there is some uncertainty regarding the appropriate classification of instruments such as the Notes. It is possible, for example, that the IRS may contend that the Class B-1L Notes and, possibly, any other Class of Notes should be treated as equity interests in the Issuer. In such a case, payments on the Notes would likely be viewed as guaranteed payments (rather than as interest) for United States federal income tax purposes. Additionally, U.S. Holders would be required to file information returns with the IRS with respect to their acquisition of the Notes and be subject to significant penalties for failure to do so. Moreover, if the Issuer were classified as a corporation rather than as a partnership for United States federal income tax purposes and the Notes were viewed as equity in this corporation, the Issuer would constitute a passive foreign investment company and, possibly, a controlled foreign corporation, which would produce adverse tax consequences for U.S. Holders. Accordingly, all U.S. Holders are urged to consult their own tax advisors as to the consequences that would result if the Notes were characterized as equity (and the additional consequences that would result if the Issuer were classified as a corporation) for United States federal income tax purposes.

Information Reporting Requirements

Information reporting to the IRS may be required with respect to payments on the Notes, and proceeds of the sale of the Notes to holders other than corporations and certain other exempt recipients. A “backup” withholding tax may also apply to those payments if a holder fails to provide certain identifying information (such as the holder’s taxpayer identification number or an attestation to the status of the holder as a Non-U.S. Holder). Backup withholding is not an additional tax and may be refunded (or credited against the holder’s U.S. federal income tax liability, if any) provided that certain required information is furnished to the IRS in a timely manner.

Prospective investors should consult with their own tax advisors regarding whether they are required to file an IRS Form 8886 in respect of this transaction (relating to certain “reportable transactions”). Thus, for example, if a U.S. Holder were to sell its Notes at a loss, it is possible that this loss could constitute a reportable transaction, and need to be reported on Form 8886. As another example, a transaction may be reportable if it is offered under conditions of confidentiality. In this regard, each holder and beneficial holder of the Notes (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) is hereby advised that it is permitted to disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions described herein (including the ownership and disposition of the Notes). Significant penalties apply for failure to file Form 8886 when required, and holders are therefore urged to consult their own tax advisors.

Non-U.S. Holders

Assuming that the Issuer is not engaged in a United States trade or business, a Non-U.S. Holder of a Note that has no connection with the United States and is not related, directly or indirectly, with the Issuer or the holders of the Issuer's equity, will not be subject to United States withholding tax on interest payments. Non-U.S. Holders may be required to make certain tax representations regarding the identity of the beneficial owner of the Notes in order to receive payments free of withholding.

Circular 230

Under 31 C.F.R. part 10, the regulations governing practice before the IRS (Circular 230), we and our tax advisors are (or may be) required to inform you that:

- Any advice contained herein, including any opinions of counsel referred to herein, is not intended or written to be used, and cannot be used by any taxpayer, for the purpose of avoiding penalties that may be imposed on the taxpayer;
- Any such advice is written to support the promotion or marketing of the Notes and the transactions described herein (or in such opinion or other advice); and
- Each taxpayer should seek advice based on the taxpayer's particular circumstances from an independent tax advisor.

**CAYMAN ISLANDS TAX CONSEQUENCES**

The following discussion of certain Cayman Islands income tax consequences of an investment in the Notes is based on the advice of Maples and Calder as to Cayman Islands law. The discussion is a general summary of present law, which is subject to prospective and retroactive change. It assumes that the Issuer will conduct its affairs in accordance with assumptions made by, and representations made to, counsel. It is not intended as tax advice, does not consider any investor's particular circumstances, and does not consider tax consequences other than those arising under Cayman Islands law.

Under existing Cayman Islands laws:

- (i) payments of principal and interest in respect of the Notes will not be subject to taxation in

the Cayman Islands and no withholding will be required on such payments to any Holder of a Note and gains derived from the sale of Notes will not be subject to Cayman Islands income or corporation tax. The Cayman Islands currently have no income, corporation or capital gains tax and no estate duty, inheritance tax or gift tax; and

(ii) the Holder of any Note (or the legal personal representative of such Holder) whose Note is brought into the Cayman Islands may in certain circumstances be liable to pay stamp duty imposed under the laws of the Cayman Islands in respect of such Note.

The Issuer has been incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands as an exempted company and, as such, has applied for and obtained an undertaking from the Governor In Cabinet of the Cayman Islands in the following form:

### **The Tax Concessions Law**

**(1999 Revision)**

#### **Undertaking as to Tax Concessions**

In accordance with Section 6 of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision) the Governor in Cabinet undertakes with Rockwall CDO Ltd. (the "**Company**"):

- (a) that no law which is hereafter enacted in the Islands imposing any tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations shall apply to the Company or its operations; and
- (b) in addition, that no tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations or which is in the nature of estate duty or inheritance tax shall be payable
  - (i) on or in respect of the shares, debentures or other obligations of the Company; or
  - (ii) by way of the withholding in whole or in part of any relevant payment as defined in Section 6(3) of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision).

These concessions shall be for a period of twenty years from the 21st day of June 2005.

### **CERTAIN ERISA CONSIDERATIONS**

The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("**ERISA**"), imposes requirements on employee benefit plans (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) subject to Title I of ERISA ("**ERISA Plans**") and on persons who are fiduciaries (as defined in Section 3(21) of ERISA) with respect to such ERISA Plans. Investments by ERISA Plans are subject to ERISA's general fiduciary requirements, including the requirement of investment prudence and diversification, requirements respecting delegation of investment authority and the requirement that an ERISA Plan's investments be made in accordance with the documents governing the ERISA Plan. Each ERISA Plan fiduciary should give appropriate consideration to the facts and circumstances that are relevant to an investment in the Notes, including the role that an investment in the Notes plays in the Plan's investment portfolio. Before deciding to invest "plan assets" of any ERISA Plan in the Notes, the investing ERISA Plan fiduciary should be satisfied that investment in the Notes is a prudent investment for the ERISA Plan, that the investments of the ERISA Plan, including the investment in the Notes, are diversified so as to minimize the risk of large losses and that an investment in the Notes complies with the ERISA Plan and related trust documents. Any person who decides to invest "plan assets" of an ERISA Plan in the Notes should consider, among other factors, the factors discussed above under "Special Considerations."

Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code prohibit ERISA Plans, as well as individual retirement accounts and Keogh plans, subject to either or both of such statutes (each, a "**Plan**") from engaging in certain transactions with persons that are "parties in interest" under ERISA or "disqualified persons" under Section 4975 of

the Code (collectively, "**Parties in Interest**") with respect to such Plans. A violation of these prohibited transaction rules may result in an excise tax or other penalties and liabilities under ERISA and/or Section 4975 of the Code for such persons.

Certain transactions involving the purchase, holding or transfer of the Notes might be deemed to constitute or result in prohibited transactions under ERISA and/or Section 4975 of the Code. For example, if the "plan assets" of an investing Plan were deemed to include assets of the Issuer and if any of the Portfolio Collateral constitutes an obligation of or is purchased from or sold to a Party in Interest with respect to such Plan, an indirect prohibited transaction in the nature of an extension of credit or a purchase or sale of assets between such Plan and such Party in Interest might be deemed to occur. In addition, if the assets of the Issuer were deemed to be "plan assets" of any Plan investors, Notes sold to a Party in Interest with respect to such Plan would constitute a prohibited extension of credit transaction, possibly subjecting such Noteholder to excise taxes under Section 4975 of the Code. Under regulations issued by the United States Department of Labor, set forth in 29 C.F.R. § 2510.3-101 (the "**Plan Asset Regulations**"), the assets of the Issuer would be treated as "plan assets" of a Plan for purposes of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code if the Plan acquires an equity interest in the Issuer and none of the exceptions contained in the Plan Asset Regulations applies. An equity interest is defined under the Plan Asset Regulations as any interest in an entity other than an instrument which is treated as indebtedness under applicable local law and which has no substantial equity features.

Although there is no authority directly on point, it is anticipated that the Notes should be treated as indebtedness under local law and should not be treated as having substantial equity features for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulations. However, without regard to whether (i) the Notes are treated as an equity interest for such purposes or (ii) the assets of the Issuer are deemed to be "plan assets" of an investing Plan, the acquisition or holding of Notes by or on behalf of, or with "plan assets" of, a Plan could be considered to give rise to a prohibited transaction if the Issuer, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, the Servicer, an issuer of an item of Portfolio Collateral, or any of their respective affiliates is or becomes a Party in Interest with respect to an investing Plan. Certain exemptions from the prohibited transaction rules could apply to the acquisition of a Note by or with "plan assets" of a Plan, depending on the type and circumstances of the Plan fiduciary making the decision to acquire a Note. Included among these exemptions are: Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption ("**PTCE**") 96-23, regarding transactions effected by certain "in-house asset managers"; PTCE 95-60, regarding investments by insurance company general accounts; PTCE 91-38, regarding investments by bank collective investment funds; PTCE 90-1, regarding investments by insurance company pooled separate accounts; and PTCE 84-14, regarding transactions effected by independent "qualified professional asset managers." However, even if the conditions specified in one or more of these exemptions are met, the scope of the relief provided by these exemptions might or might not cover all acts which might be construed as prohibited transactions and in particular would not apply to prohibited transactions arising from the operations of the Issuer.

In any event, a fiduciary or other person investing "plan assets" of any Plan should not purchase Notes if the Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, the Trustee, the Servicer or any of their respective affiliates (a) has investment discretion with respect to the investment of such assets; (b) has authority or responsibility to give or regularly gives investment advice with respect to such assets, for a fee, pursuant to an agreement or understanding that such advice will serve as a primary basis for investment decisions with respect to such assets and that such advice will be based on the particular investment needs of such Plan; or (c) unless PTCE 95-60, 91-38 or 90-1 is applicable, is an employer maintaining or contributing to such Plan. A party that is described in clause (a) or (b) of the preceding sentence is a fiduciary under ERISA with respect to the Plan and any such purchase might result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code.

As a general rule, certain employee benefit plans, including governmental plans (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA) and certain church plans (as defined in Section 3(33) of ERISA), are not subject to ERISA's requirements. Accordingly, assets of many such plans may be invested in the Notes without regard to ERISA prohibited transaction considerations described above, subject to the provisions of other applicable federal and state law. However, any such plan which is qualified and exempt from taxation under Sections 401(a) and 501(a) of the Code may nonetheless be subject to the prohibited transaction rules set forth in Section 503 of the Code and, under certain circumstances in the case of church plans, Section 4975 of the Code. Also, some governmental plans are subject to federal, state or local laws which are, to a material extent, similar to the provisions of Title I of ERISA or

Section 4975 of the Code (a "**Similar Law**"). Each governmental plan fiduciary should make its own determination as to the need for and the availability of any exemptive relief under a Similar Law.

*Each Holder of a Class X Note, a Class A-1LA Note, a Class A-1LB, a Class A-2L Note, a Class A-3L Note or a Class A-4L Note, by its acquisition thereof, shall be deemed to represent to the Issuer, the Servicer and the Trustee that either (i) no part of the funds being used to pay the purchase price for such Note constitutes "plan assets" of any Plan, or (ii) if the funds being used to pay the purchase price for such Note includes "plan assets" of any Plan, an exemption to the prohibited transaction rules applies.*

*Each Holder of a Class B-1L Note by its acquisition thereof, shall be deemed to represent to the Issuer, the Servicer and the Trustee that either (a) the purchaser or transferee is not a Plan and is not acquiring the Class B-1L Note with assets of a Plan or (b) it is an insurance company and such funds include only assets of its general account, and its acquisition and holding of such Note are eligible for exemptive relief available under Section I of PTCE 95-60, or the acquisition and holding of the Class B-1L Notes by the purchaser or transferee are eligible for the exemptive relief under PTCE 96-23, 91-38, 90-1 or 84-14.*

**Any person proposing to invest assets of any Plan, or any governmental plan subject to Similar Law, in the Notes should consult with its counsel to confirm that such investment will not constitute or result in any prohibited transaction that is not subject to an exemption and will satisfy the other requirements of ERISA, the Code and, in the case of such a governmental plan, Similar Law.**

### **CERTAIN LEGAL INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS**

Institutions whose investment activities are subject to legal investment laws and regulations or to review by certain regulatory authorities may be subject to restrictions on investments in the Notes. Any such institution should consult its legal advisors in determining whether and to what extent there may be restrictions on its ability to invest in the Notes. Without limiting the foregoing, any financial institution that is subject to the jurisdiction of the Comptroller of Currency, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Office of Thrift Supervision, the National Credit Union Administration, any state insurance commission, or any other federal or state agencies with similar authority should review any applicable rules, guidelines and regulations prior to purchasing the Notes. Depository institutions should review and consider the applicability of the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council Supervisory Policy Statement on Securities Activities, which has been adopted by the respective federal regulators.

None of the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchaser make any representation as to the proper characterization of the Notes for legal investment or other purposes, or as to the ability of particular investors to purchase the Notes for legal investment or other purposes, or as to the ability of particular investors to purchase the Notes under applicable investment restrictions. The Co-Issuers understand that certain state insurance regulators, in response to a request for guidance, may be considering the characterization (as U.S. domestic or foreign (non-U.S.)) of certain collateralized debt obligation securities co-issued by a non-U.S. issuer and a U.S. co-issuer. There can be no assurance as to the nature of any guidance or other action that may result from such consideration. The uncertainties described above (and any unfavorable future determinations concerning legal investment or financial institution regulatory characteristics of the Notes) may affect the liquidity of the Notes. Accordingly, all institutions whose activities are subject to legal investment laws and regulations, regulatory capital requirements or review by regulatory authorities should consult their own legal advisors in determining whether and to what extent the Notes are subject to investment, capital or other restrictions.

### **RATINGS**

It is a condition to the issuance of the Notes that the Class X Notes, Class A-1LA Notes and Class A-1LB Notes each be rated "AAA" by S&P and "Aaa" by Moody's, that the Class A-2L Notes be rated at least "AA" by S&P and at least "Aa2" by Moody's, that the Class A-3L Notes be rated at least "A" by S&P and at least "A2" by Moody's, that the Class A-4L Notes be rated at least "A-" by S&P and at least "A3" by Moody's and that the Class B-1L Notes be rated at least "BBB" by S&P and at least "Baa2" by Moody's. Each of the ratings of the Notes described herein assumes that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date. A security rating is not a

recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning rating organization.

**The ratings of the Notes by S&P address solely the likelihood of timely payment of the Periodic Interest Amount on and the ultimate payment of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Senior Class A Notes, the timely payment of the Class X Payment and the ultimate payment of the Cumulative Interest Amount and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes. The ratings of the Notes by Moody's address the ultimate cash receipt of all required payments as provided by the governing documents, and are based on the expected loss to the Noteholders of each Class relative to the promise of receiving the present value of such payments. A rating is not a recommendation to purchase, hold or sell securities, in as much as such rating does not comment as to market price or suitability for a particular investor and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning rating organization.**

In the event that any rating initially assigned to the Notes is subsequently lowered for any reason, no person or entity is obligated to provide any additional support or credit enhancement with respect to the Notes. The Issuer has not requested a rating on the Notes by any rating agencies other than S&P and Moody's, although data with respect to the Portfolio Collateral may have been provided to other rating agencies solely for informational purposes. There can be no assurance that, if a rating is assigned to the Notes by any other rating agency, such rating will be as high as that assigned by S&P and Moody's.

#### **USE OF PROCEEDS**

The net proceeds from the sale of the Notes as described herein, together with net proceeds from the sale of the Preferred Shares will be used by the Issuer to fund the purchase of a principal amount of the Initial Portfolio Collateral at least equal to the Initial Portfolio Collateral Amount, to fund the Deposit on the Closing Date of cash in the approximate amount such that the Aggregate Principal Amount of Original Portfolio Collateral originally purchased by the Issuer on or before the Effective Date will equal the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount and to fund the deposit in the Expense Reimbursement Account on the Closing Date of approximately U.S.\$50,000, which Expense Reimbursement Account will be available for payment from time to time of future expenses of the Issuer pending the receipt of collections in respect of the Portfolio Collateral as described herein, to pay organizational, legal and other fees and expenses, related to the transaction, and to fund the Reserve Amount. The net proceeds from the sale of the Notes and the Preferred Shares will be approximately U.S.\$856,312,500.

#### **PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION**

The Initial Purchaser has advised the Co-Issuers that it proposes to offer the Notes to prospective purchasers from time to time in individually negotiated transactions at varying prices to be determined in each case at the time of sale. The price(s) paid by the Initial Purchaser for the Notes may be less than those paid by other purchasers of the Notes. The Initial Purchaser may offer or sell Notes to purchasers at negotiated prices, which may vary among different purchasers of Notes of any Class. In addition to the structuring and placement fees paid to the Initial Purchaser, the Initial Purchaser may be deemed to receive compensation for the sale of the Notes to the extent that the price(s) paid by it for Notes is less than the price(s) at which they are resold. The Notes are offered when, as and if issued by the Co-Issuers, subject to prior sale or withdrawal, cancellation or modification of the offer without notice and subject to approval of certain legal matters by counsel and certain other conditions. It is expected that delivery of the Notes will be made on or about the Closing Date, against payment in immediately available funds.

The Notes have not been registered under the Securities Act and may not be offered or sold within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, United States persons except to (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers in reliance on Rule 144A under the Securities Act and (ii) other persons or entities pursuant to other valid exemptions from the registration requirements of the Securities Act.

Without limiting the foregoing, no transfer of Notes may be made except to a non-U.S. Person in an offshore transaction in compliance with Regulation S or to a Qualified Purchaser or if such transfer would not



require the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to become subject to the registration requirements of the Investment Company Act.

Each of the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchaser represents and agrees that it (i) has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated any invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of Section 21 of the Financial Services and Markets Act of 2000 ("FSMA")) received by it in connection with the issue or sale of any offered securities in circumstances in which Section 21(a) of the FSMA does not apply to the Issuer; and (ii) has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA with respect to anything done by it in relation to the offered securities, in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom.

No invitation may be made to the public in the Cayman Islands to subscribe for the Notes.

Purchasers of Notes sold outside the United States may be required to pay stamp taxes and other charges in accordance with the laws and practices of the country of purchase in addition to the price charged to investors for the Notes.

The Notes are new securities for which there currently is no market. Accordingly, no assurance can be given as to the development or liquidity of any market for the Notes.

### **THE SERVICER**

**The information appearing in this Section has been prepared by Highland Capital Management, L.P. and has not been independently verified by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Initial Purchaser. Accordingly, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Initial Purchaser do not assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or applicability of such information.**

#### General

Based in Dallas, Texas, Highland Capital is a registered investment adviser specializing in below investment grade credit and special situation investing. As of September 30, 2005, Highland Capital managed over \$18 billion in leveraged loans, high yield bonds, structured products and other assets for banks, insurance companies, pension plans, foundations, and high net worth individuals.

Highland Capital manages these assets through a variety of fund structures including separate accounts, CDOs, hedge funds and mutual funds. As of September 30, 2005, Highland Capital had under management approximately 1,000 below investment grade and credit sensitive credit positions, and Highland Capital's 56 person credit team followed approximately 1,200 below investment grade and credit sensitive credit positions across over 40 industries. Highland Capital or an affiliate or predecessor thereof has been an SEC-registered investment adviser since April 1993.

Highland Capital has invested over \$250 million of firm capital in its funds, and expects that HFP, one of its Affiliates, will on the Closing Date purchase 100% of the Class II Preferred Shares.

#### Philosophy and Process

Highland Capital has expertise in the fields of syndicated loans, high yield bonds, and distressed assets. Portfolio managers follow each credit and several times each year the entire professional staff reviews all positions during multi-day monitoring meetings. Highland Capital diversifies its portfolios with set limits on exposure to any one given industry or issuer.

Since 1990, Highland Capital has been using a committee to coordinate the selection, monitoring and servicing process. The committee, which consists of senior portfolio managers, Highland Capital's Chief Investment Officer and its Head of Structured Products, meets every morning to discuss the status of the credits. Collectively, the committee utilizes a selection process which is driven by credit research. Each portfolio manager/analyst makes



specific credit recommendations based upon industry coverage. The credit proposal is then brought to the committee for consideration. Based upon the consensus decision, the portfolio manager will direct Highland traders to execute the trade. Highland Capital has also provided its committee with a commitment to technology. The firm developed Wall Street Office® which is a proprietary software system that allows Highland Capital to model, portfolio manage, and trade syndicated loans. This software has been licensed to more than 70 financial institutions that invest in syndicated loans.

#### Professionals of the Servicer

Set forth below is information regarding certain persons who are currently employed by the Servicer. Such persons may not necessarily continue to be so employed during the entire term of the Servicing Agreement.

#### **Senior Management**

##### **James Dondero, CFA, CPA, CMA – *Managing Partner - President***

Mr. Dondero is a Founder and President of Highland Capital. Formerly, Mr. Dondero served as Chief Investment Officer of Protective Life's GIC subsidiary. His portfolio management experience includes mortgage-backed securities, investment grade corporates, leveraged bank loans, emerging markets, derivatives, preferred stocks and common stocks. From 1985 to 1989, he managed fixed income funds for American Express. Prior to American Express, he completed the financial training at Morgan Guaranty Trust Company. Mr. Dondero is a Beta Gamma Sigma graduate of the University of Virginia, 1984 with degrees in Accounting and Finance. Mr. Dondero is a Certified Public Accountant, Chartered Financial Analyst and a Certified Management Accountant.

##### **Mark Okada, CFA – *Managing Partner - Chief Investment Officer***

Mr. Okada is a Founder and Chief Investment Officer of Highland Capital. He is responsible for overseeing Highland Capital's investment activities for its various funds and has over 19 years of experience in the leveraged finance market. Formerly, Mr. Okada served as Manager of Fixed Income for Protective Life's GIC subsidiary from 1990 to 1993. He was primarily responsible for the bank loan portfolio and other risk assets. From 1986 to 1990, he served as Vice President for Hibernia National Bank, managing over \$1 billion of high yield bank loans. Mr. Okada is an honors graduate of the University of California Los Angeles with degrees in Economics and Psychology. He completed his credit training at Mitsui and is a Chartered Financial Analyst. Mr. Okada is also Chairman of the Board of Directors of Common Grace Ministries Inc.

##### **Todd Travers, CFA – *Head of Structured Products, Senior Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Travers is responsible for Highland Capital's CDO business and is the primary portfolio manager for Highland Capital's par debt funds. He is a member of the Credit Committee and heads a team that is responsible for structuring new transactions and implementing additional opportunities in Highland Capital's core businesses. Formerly, Mr. Travers served as Portfolio Manager/Portfolio Analyst from 1994 to 1998 for Highland Capital. In 1999, he was promoted to Senior Portfolio Manager and his duties were expanded beyond sector portfolio management to include the origination, structuring and issuance of new structured vehicles, including all structured vehicles since Highland Loan Funding V Ltd. and Restoration Funding Ltd. His prior responsibilities included managing a portion of Highland Capital's leveraged loan and high yield debt portfolios with an emphasis on technology and aviation transactions. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Travers was a Finance Manager at American Airlines. Mr. Travers is a graduate of Iowa State University with a BS in Industrial Engineering. He received his MBA with an emphasis in Finance from Southern Methodist University. Mr. Travers is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

## **Portfolio Managers**

### **Peter A. Strzalkowski, CFA – *Portfolio Manager***

Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Strzalkowski served as a Senior Portfolio Manager with Microsoft Corp. from June, 2003 to June, 2005. His primary responsibility was the management of various multi-billion fixed income portfolios that were comprised of; MBS, ABS, Credit, Governments, TIPS, Derivatives, including Swaps, Swaptions and Futures, and Global Fixed Income. In addition he managed an absolute return mandate with a \$5 million daily VAR. Prior to Microsoft, Mr. Strzalkowski worked as a Vice President/Portfolio Manager at First Citizens Bank in Raleigh, NC where he managed \$1.2 billion from 2000 to 2003. Before that, he was employed at Centura Banks in a Portfolio Manager role from 1998 to 2000. Formerly, Mr. Strzalkowski was a Vice President/Junior Portfolio Manager/Quantitative Analyst at Bank of America's Sovran Capital Management from 1993 to 1998. Mr. Strzalkowski received a BS in Business/Finance from Virginia Commonwealth University and he is a Chartered Financial Analyst charter holder.

## **Senior Portfolio Analysts**

### **Gibran Mahmud, CPA – *Senior Portfolio Analyst***

Mr. Mahmud is involved in managing Highland's CDO funds and is part of the team that is responsible for structuring new transactions and implementing additional opportunities in Highland's core business. Formerly, Mr. Mahmud served as Controller at Highland from 2001 to 2003. Prior to joining Highland Capital, he served as a Senior Analyst at Fleet Capital where he was involved in the originating, structuring, modeling, and credit analysis for clients primarily in the manufacturing, retail, and services industries. Formerly, Mr. Mahmud was a senior accountant at Arthur Andersen. He received both a Bachelors in Accounting and an MBA with an emphasis in Finance from Baylor University. Mr. Mahmud is a Certified Public Accountant.

### **Sundeep Agrawal – *Senior Portfolio Analyst***

Prior to joining Highland, Mr. Agrawal worked as a Senior Investment Analyst at General Motors Asset Management in New York from 2003 to 2005. At GMAM Mr. Agrawal was responsible for the credit analysis and risk management of CDO and ABS securities for a \$400 million Total Return Structured Credit Opportunity Fund and a \$100 million CDO Equity Fund. In addition he was also involved in the analysis, portfolio construction and risk management of various Libor Plus strategies focusing on the HEL ABS and RMBS sectors. Prior to GMAM, Mr. Agrawal was an Assistant Vice President at Lehman Brothers in the Fixed Income Division in New York from 1998-2002. At Lehman Brothers he focused on the quantitative modeling and risk management of foreign exchange derivative products. He received an MBA in Finance from New York University's Leonard N. Stern School of Business, an M.S. in Systems Engineering from The University of Texas at Austin and a B.E. in Electrical Engineering from Delhi Institute of Technology, India.

### **Brad Voss, CFA – *Senior Portfolio Analyst***

Mr. Voss joined Highland in August 2005 and is involved in the analysis, selection, and monitoring of asset-backed securities for Highland-managed CDOs. Formerly he served as a Vice President for Bear Stearns, where he worked with institutional investors to incorporate Bear Stearns research into their investment processes. Prior to joining Bear Stearns he held a similar position at Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette. While a graduate student he completed an internship with State Street Research & Management in Boston and served as a portfolio manager and risk manager for a \$13 million student-managed investment company. Mr. Voss holds an MBA from the University of Texas at Austin, a BBA from Texas Christian University, and has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

See "Special Considerations—Dependence on Key Personnel of the Servicer."

## **THE SERVICING AGREEMENT**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Servicing Agreement. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the Servicing Agreement.

The Servicer will select the Initial Portfolio Collateral and will select all remaining Portfolio Collateral. The Servicer will also monitor the performance and credit quality of all of the Portfolio Collateral on an ongoing basis as further provided in the Servicing Agreement. Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture, the Servicer will direct the Issuer with respect to the use of collections on Portfolio Collateral to purchase Substitute Portfolio Collateral or Additional Portfolio Collateral, direct the Trustee when to deliver an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, Equity Portfolio Collateral or other item of Portfolio Collateral for sale and direct the use of proceeds therefrom to purchase Substitute or Additional Portfolio Collateral and Eligible Investments. The Servicer will advise the Issuer with respect to the use of certain Collections as described herein to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral meeting the specifications set forth herein. If any Portfolio Collateral is an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, the Servicer will instruct the Trustee as to the appropriate action to be taken against the issuer of such item of Portfolio Collateral and whether to retain or dispose of such item of Portfolio Collateral. See "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral."

Upon any disposition of Portfolio Collateral, the Trustee, upon direction of the Servicer, will either deposit the proceeds of such disposition in the Collection Account or apply the proceeds of such disposition to the purchase of an item of Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral, all in accordance with the terms of the Indenture. Any such actions directed by the Servicer may change the composition and characteristics of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate, the rate of payment thereon, and, accordingly, may affect the actual average life of the Notes.

The Indenture places significant restrictions on the ability of the Issuer to buy and sell securities for the Trust Estate, and the Servicer is subject to compliance with such document. Accordingly, during certain periods or in certain specified circumstances, the Issuer may be unable to buy or sell securities or to take other actions which the Servicer might consider in the interests of the Issuer and its creditors and the Holders of Preferred Shares.

In its capacity as servicer or manager, the Servicer engages in other business and furnishes asset management and other services to other clients which may differ from those followed by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, as required by the Indenture. The Servicer may make recommendations or effect transactions which may differ from those effected with respect to the securities in the Trust Estate.

The Servicing Agreement provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Servicer such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Servicer, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the Investment Advisers Act of 1940. The Servicing Agreement also provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as investment adviser, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as investment adviser unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Servicer, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Investment Advisers Act of 1940.

### Compensation

As compensation for its services under the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will be entitled to receive a Base Servicing Fee, an Additional Servicing Fee and a Supplemental Servicing Fee (if any).

The Base Servicing Fee is a fee that will accrue from the Closing Date and be payable to the Servicer, if and to the extent funds are available for such purpose as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", in arrears on each Payment Date. The Base Servicing Fee will be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year and the actual number of days elapsed. The Base Servicing Fee payable on any Payment Date will be payable from Collateral Interest Collections remaining after payment of certain fees and expenses of the Issuer but prior to payment of interest on the Notes. The Base Servicing Fee will accrue interest if unpaid. To the extent Collateral Interest Collections are insufficient to pay any accrued and unpaid Base Servicing Fee payable on any Payment Date, the Base Servicing Fee will be payable from Collateral Principal Collections available for such purpose as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions."

The Additional Servicing Fee is a fee that will accrue from the Closing Date and be payable to the Servicer, if and to the extent funds are available for such purpose as described under "Description of the Note—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", in arrears on each Payment Date (to the extent provided in the Servicing Agreement). The Additional Servicing Fee will be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year and the actual number of days elapsed. The Additional Servicing Fee payable on any Payment Date will be payable from Collateral Interest Collections remaining after payment of certain fees and expenses of the Issuer, the Base Servicing Fee, interest (and, if any of the Overcollateralization Tests or the Interest Coverage Test are not satisfied on the related Payment Date (other than the Interest Coverage Test on the first or second Payment Date) or if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists, principal) on the Notes and certain other amounts. The Additional Servicing Fee will accrue interest if unpaid.

The Supplemental Servicing Amount means an amount that will be payable to the Servicer in accordance with the Indenture on each Payment Date, if and to the extent funds are available for such purpose as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions." Excess cashflow remaining after the payment or deposit of the amounts described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions" will be paid: (a) if the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares as of such Payment Date is less than 12%, to the Issuer to be applied to fund distributions to the Holders of the Preferred Shares, but only up to an amount that would cause the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares to equal 12%, and (b) if the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares as of such Payment Date is equal to or greater than 12%, after giving effect to any payments made under clause (a) above, (x) 20% of any remaining amount to (1) the Servicer in payment of the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date, and (2) the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, in payment of the Class II Preferred Share Supplemental Dividend then due and unpaid, and (y) 80% to the Holders of the Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, a dividend thereon or the redemption thereof, as applicable

If amounts distributable on any Payment Date as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions" are insufficient to pay the Base Servicing Fee or the Additional Servicing Fee, then the payment thereof will be deferred and will be payable with interest on subsequent Payment Dates as described herein.

The Servicer will have a senior lien on the Trust Estate with respect to its Base Servicing Fee and a junior lien on the Trust Estate with respect to its Additional Servicing Fee. The Servicer will receive reimbursement for certain expenses from the proceeds of the issuance of the Notes and the Preferred Shares. The Servicer will generally be responsible for its own expenses incurred in the course of performing its obligations under the Servicing Agreement, but may be reimbursed for certain expenses as provided in the Servicing Agreement. Generally, the Servicer will not be liable to the Issuer, the Trustee, the Holders of Notes or Preferred Shares for any loss incurred as a result of the actions taken or recommended by the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement or the Indenture, except by reason of acts constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, or gross negligence in the performance of its obligations thereunder. The Servicer will be entitled to indemnification by the Issuer under certain circumstances as described in the Servicing Agreement. In addition, the Servicer has entered into certain indemnification agreements with Bear Stearns. Under certain circumstances the Servicer also may resign or be removed.

Amendment to Servicing Agreement

The Servicing Agreement may not be amended (a) without satisfying the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency or (b) if a Majority of the Controlling Class or a Majority of the Preferred Shares have objected in writing to such amendment or modification within 30 days of notice thereof.

Resignation of Servicer

Subject to the provisions for a successor Servicer discussed below, the Servicer may resign, upon 90 days' written notice to the Issuer (or such shorter notice as is acceptable to the Issuer).

Termination of Servicing Agreement

The Servicing Agreement will be terminated, and the Servicer will be removed, by the Issuer, if directed by a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or by at least 66 2/3% of the Holders of the Preferred Shares (excluding any Preferred Shares held by the Servicer or its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority at the time of such vote), in each case for "cause" upon 10 days' prior written notice to the Servicer and upon written notice to the Noteholders and the Holders of the Preferred Shares as set forth below. For purposes of determining "cause" with respect to any such termination of the Servicing Agreement, such term shall mean any one of the following events:

(i) the Servicer willfully breaches in any respect, or takes any action that it knows violates in any respect, any provision of the Servicing Agreement or any terms of the Indenture applicable to it;

(ii) the Servicer breaches in any material respect any provision of the Servicing Agreement or any terms of the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement applicable to it, or any representation, warranty, certification or statement given in writing by the Servicer shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or given, and the Servicer fails to cure such breach or take such action so that the facts (after giving effect to such action) conform in all material respects to such representation, warranty, certification or statement, in each case within 30 days of becoming aware of, or receiving notice from, the Trustee of, such breach or materially incorrect representation, warranty certification or statement;

(iii) certain events of bankruptcy or insolvency occur with respect to the Servicer;

(iv) the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture that results from any breach by the Servicer of its duties under the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement, which breach or default is not cured within any applicable cure period; or

(v) (x) the occurrence of an act by the Servicer related to its activities in any securities, servicing, financial advisory or other investment business that constitutes fraud, (y) the Servicer being indicted, or any of its principals being convicted, of a felony criminal offense related to its activities in any securities, servicing, financial advisory or other investment business or (z) the Servicer being indicted for, adjudged liable in a civil suit for, or convicted of a violation of the Securities Act or any other United States Federal securities law or any rules or regulations thereunder.

Successor Servicer

No removal, termination or resignation of the Servicer will be effective under the Servicing Agreement unless the Issuer appoints a successor Servicer:

I. if the Class A-1LA Notes are Outstanding and (i) the sum of (A) the Aggregate Par Amount of Portfolio Collateral other than any Equity Portfolio Collateral and (B) the Market Value of all Equity Portfolio Collateral (as determined by the Servicer in a commercially reasonable manner), if any, is less than (ii) the sum of (A) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Outstanding Notes other than the Class B-1L Notes plus any accrued and unpaid

interest thereon and (B) 50% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes plus any accrued and unpaid interest thereon (a "**Preferred Share Event**"), then:

(a) (A) at the written direction of a Majority of the Notes (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP), (B) such successor has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes; or

(b) if a Majority of the Notes (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP) has nominated two or more successor Servicers that have been objected to pursuant to clause (a) above or has otherwise failed to appoint a successor Servicer that is not objected to pursuant to clause (C) under clause (a) above within 30 days of the date of notice of such removal, termination or resignation of the Servicer (or, if later, within 30 days of the last failure to successfully appoint a successor Servicer), then (A) at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, (B) such successor has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single Class (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority, other than HFP));

II. if there is no Preferred Share Event in effect, then:

(a) (A) at the written direction of a Majority of the Preferred Shares (excluding any Preferred Shares held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP up to the Original HFP Share Amount), (B) such successor has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by any of (x) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single Class (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority, other than HFP)); or

(b) if a Majority of the Preferred Shares (excluding any Preferred Shares held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP) has nominated two or more successor Servicers that have been objected to pursuant to clause (a) above or has otherwise failed to appoint a successor Servicer that is not objected to pursuant to clause (C) of the preceding sentence within 30 days of the date of notice of such removal, termination or resignation of the Servicer (or, if later, within 30 days of the last failure to successfully appoint a successor Servicer), then a Majority of the Controlling Class may appoint a successor Servicer, which shall be the successor Servicer if, (A) such successor has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture and (B) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 45 days after notice of such succession by either (x) the Majority of the Preferred Shares (excluding any Preferred Shares held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP or any subsidiary of HFP) or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single Class (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority, other than HFP up to the Original HFP Share Amount)).

If the Majority of the Controlling Class fails to appoint a successor Servicer pursuant to clause I(b) or clause II(b) above, or its appointee is objected to as therein provided, within 90 days of the date of notice of such removal, termination or resignation of the Servicer, the Majority of the Controlling Class may petition a court of competent authority to appoint a successor Servicer.

In addition, any successor Servicer must be an established institution which (i) has demonstrated an ability to professionally and competently perform duties similar to those imposed upon the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, (ii) is legally qualified and has the capacity to act as Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, as successor to the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement in the assumption of all of the responsibilities, duties and obligations of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and under the applicable terms of the Indenture, (iii) shall not cause the Issuer or the pool of Collateral to become required to register under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, (iv) shall perform its duties as Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture without causing the Issuer or any Holder of Preferred Shares to become subject to tax in any jurisdiction where such successor Servicer is established as doing business and (v) each Rating Agency has confirmed that the appointment of such successor Servicer shall not cause its then-current rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn. No compensation payable to a successor from payments on the Collateral shall be greater than that paid to the Servicer without the prior written consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes, a Majority of the Notes (voting collectively) and a Majority of the Preferred Shares (voting collectively).

If there is no appointment of a successor Servicer within 90 days after the resignation or termination of the Servicer, any sales or disposition of Portfolio Collateral shall be limited to Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and Equity Portfolio Collateral; *provided that* such restriction on the sale or disposition of Portfolio Collateral shall not apply if the Portfolio Collateral is being liquidated in whole or in part in connection with an acceleration or early termination of the Notes.

#### Delegation

The Servicing Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, cannot be delegated by the Servicer, in whole or in part, except to any entity that is both (i) controlled by any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers and (ii) one in which any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers is involved in the day to day management and operations (and in such case pursuant to an instrument of delegation in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer), without the prior written consent of the Issuer, a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes and a Majority of the Preferred Shares (excluding Preferred Shares held by the Servicer or any of its Affiliates), and, notwithstanding any such consent, no delegation of obligations or duties by the Servicer (including, without limitation, to an entity described above) shall relieve the Servicer from any liability under the Servicing Agreement.

### **CERTAIN LEGAL MATTERS**

The validity of the Notes and certain other legal matters, including certain matters relating to certain United States federal tax consequences of the ownership of the Notes, will be passed upon for the Issuer and the Initial Purchaser by Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, New York, New York. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Servicer by Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, Los Angeles, California. Certain legal matters relating to Cayman Islands law will be passed on for the Issuer by Maples and Calder. As to all matters of Cayman Islands law, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP will rely on the opinions of Maples and Calder.

ANNEX A

**GLOSSARY OF CERTAIN DEFINED TERMS**

Set forth below are definitions of certain defined terms used in this Confidential Offering Circular.

**"Account Income"**: Any interest or other earnings on funds in the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account or the Expense Reimbursement Account.

**"Accounts"**: The Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Expense Account, the Reserve Account, the Default Swap Collateral Account and the Default Swap Issuer Account, as described in "Security for the Notes—Accounts."

**"Accrued Interest on Sale"**: Interest accrued on an item of Portfolio Collateral at the time of sale or other disposition to the extent paid to the Issuer as part of the sale or other disposition price of such item of Portfolio Collateral after deducting amounts representing Purchased Accrued Interest of such item of Portfolio Collateral.

**"Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement"**: As described under "Description of the Notes—Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement."

**"Additional Fee Amount"**: With respect to each Due Period, an amount equal to 0.35% per annum of the Quarterly Collateral Amount, calculated on the basis of a 360-day year and the actual number of days elapsed.

**"Additional Issuance"**: As defined under "Description of the Notes—Additional Issuance."

**"Additional Portfolio Collateral"**: Any Portfolio Collateral purchased with Collections (other than Collateral Disposition Proceeds) in accordance with the terms of the Indenture.

**"Additional Preferred Shares"**: Any additional Preferred Shares issued after the Closing Date as described in, and in accordance with the applicable terms of, the Indenture.

**"Additional Servicing Fee"**: For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the sum of (a) product of (i) the Additional Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (ii) the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date plus (b) on any Payment Date that any part of the Base Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, interest on such unpaid amount in an amount equal to the product of (i) LIBOR for the applicable period plus 3.0% per annum and (ii) the actual number of days in such Due Period, divided by 360 plus (c) on any Payment Date that any part of the Additional Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, such unpaid Additional Servicing Fee and interest thereon in an amount equal to the product of (i) LIBOR for the applicable period plus 3.0% per annum and (ii) the actual number of days in such Due Period divided by 360; *provided* that in the event that the Servicer is removed or resigns, the amount of such fee accrued to the effective date of such removal or resignation will be payable to the Servicer on the next succeeding Payment Date or Payment Dates on which such amount may be paid, in accordance with the Priority of Payments (provided that the payment of any fee payable pursuant to this proviso will be *pari passu* with the payment of any servicing fees to the then-current servicer).

**"Adjusted Collateral Collections"**: With respect to any Payment Date, the sum of (i) the Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections collected during the applicable Due Period, (ii) the Adjusted Collateral Principal Collections collected during the applicable Due Period and (iii) the available funds in the Expense Reimbursement Account, as each is determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date.

**"Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections"**: As defined under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions—Adjusted Collateral Collections."

**"Adjusted Collateral Principal Collections"**: As defined under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions—Adjusted Collateral Collections."



"Administration Agreement": The Administration Agreement, dated as of May 10, 2006, between the Issuer and the Administrator.

"Administrator": Maples Finance Limited, or any successor appointed by the Issuer.

"Affiliate": With respect to any specified Person, any other Person controlling or controlled by or under common control with such specified Person. For the purposes of this definition, "control," when used with respect to any specified Person, means the power to direct the management and policies of such Person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise; and the terms "controlling" and "controlled" have meanings correlative to the foregoing; *provided that* (for the avoidance of doubt) the only Affiliate of the Issuer shall be the Co-Issuer and the only Affiliate of the Co-Issuer shall be the Issuer.

"Aggregate Base Fees and Expenses": As defined under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions—Adjusted Collateral Collections."

"Aggregate Par Amount": With respect to any date of determination, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate, including cash and Eligible Investments representing Collateral Principal Collections on deposit in the Collection Account and the Initial Deposit Account.

"Aggregate Principal Amount": With respect to any date of determination, when used with respect to the Portfolio Collateral, the aggregate Principal Balances of such items of Portfolio Collateral on such date of determination. With respect to any date of determination, when used with respect to any Eligible Investments, the Balance of such Eligible Investments on such date of determination. When used with respect to any Note or Class of Notes, as of any date of determination, the original principal amount of such Note or Class of Notes, as applicable, reduced by all prior payments, if any, made with respect to principal of such Notes, including Class X Principal Payments, in the case of the Class X Notes. When used with respect to the Notes in the aggregate, the sum of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Outstanding Notes.

"Amendment Buy-Out": As described under "Legal Structure—The Indenture; Amendment Buy-Out."

"Amendment Buy-Out Option": As described under "Legal Structure—The Indenture; Amendment Buy-Out."

"Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price": Shall mean the price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Notes or Preferred Shares purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out in an amount equal to (i) in the case of Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the date of purchase payable to the Non-Consenting Holder (giving effect to all amounts paid to such Holder on such date) and plus any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment, and (ii) in the case of the Preferred Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preferred Shares since the Closing Date (and any amounts payable, if any to such Holder on the next succeeding Payment Date) would cause such Preferred Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) an Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such date was a Payment Date under the Indenture); *provided that*, after the date on which any Holder of Preferred Shares has received an Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price for such Preferred Shares shall be equal to zero.

"Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser": Shall mean the Servicer (or any of its affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided that* in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Notes or Preferred Shares from Holders pursuant to the Amendment Buy-Out, "Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser) or any of its affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; *provided, however*, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser or any of their respective affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

"Amortization Period": The period beginning on the day after the end of the Revolving Period and ending on the Payment Date upon which the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes is paid in full.

"Applicable Periodic Rate": With respect to each Class of Notes and for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions—General."

"Applicable Percentage": Shall mean the lesser of the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate and the S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to such item of Portfolio Collateral, set forth in the Indenture.

"Approved Pricing Service": Any pricing service (including any of its successors and assigns) listed as an Approved Pricing Service on a schedule to the Indenture or otherwise disclosed in writing by the Issuer to the Trustee and the Holders of the Notes and not objected to by the Requisite Noteholders within 15 days of such disclosure, *provided* that the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to any pricing service not included on the schedule to the Indenture.

"Asset Backed Security": Any obligation that is either (i) a security that is primarily serviced by the cash flows of a discrete pool of receivables or other financial assets, either fixed or revolving, and that, by its terms converts into cash within a finite time period, *plus* any rights or other assets designed to assure the servicing or timely distribution of proceeds to the Holders thereof or (ii) an "asset-backed security" as such term may be defined from time to time in the "General Instructions to Form S-3 Registration Statement" promulgated under the Securities Act, including collateralized bond obligations and collateralized loan obligations.

"Assignment": An arrangement whereby a creditor assigns an interest in a loan to the Issuer.

"Available Funds": With respect to any Payment Date, the amount of any positive balance in the Collection Account as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date.

"Average Life": As described under "Security for the Notes—Weighted Average Life Requirement."

"Balance": On any date, with respect to cash or Eligible Investments in the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account or the Expense Reimbursement Account, the aggregate (i) face amount or current balance, as the case may be, of cash, demand deposits, time deposits, certificates of deposit, bankers' acceptances, federal funds and commercial bank money market accounts; (ii) outstanding principal amounts of interest-bearing government and corporate securities, and (iii) purchase price of non-interest-bearing government and corporate securities, commercial paper and repurchase obligations.

"Base Fee Amount": With respect to each Due Period, an amount equal to 0.20% per annum of the Quarterly Collateral Amount, calculated on the basis of a 360-day year and the actual number of days elapsed.

"Base Servicing Fee": For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Base Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (b) the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date; *provided* that in the event that the Servicer is removed or resigns, the amount of such fee accrued to the effective date of such removal or resignation will be payable to the Servicer on the next succeeding Payment Date or Payment Dates on which such amount may be paid, in accordance with the Priority of Payments (provided that the payment of any fee payable pursuant to this proviso will be *pari passu* with the payment of any servicing fees to the then-current servicer).

"B Rating Category": Having a Moody's Rating of "B1" or below or an S&P Rating of "B+" or below.

"BB Rating Category": Having a Moody's Rating of "Ba1" or below or an S&P Rating of "BB+" or below.

"Bear Stearns": Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc.

"Benefit Plan Investor": As defined in United States Department of Labor Regulation Section 2510.3-101(f)(2).

"Business Day": Any day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or other day on which commercial banking institutions in the City of New York, the state of New York, or in the city in which the Trustee's corporate trust office is located or, to the extent action is required of a Paying Agent, including the Trustee, in the city of the place

of payment, are authorized or obligated by law or executive order to be closed. To the extent action is required of the Irish Paying Agent, Dublin, Ireland shall be considered in determining "Business Day" for purposes of determining when such Irish Paying Agent action is required.

"Calculation Agent": Initially, JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association.

"Calculation Date": The last day of each Due Period.

"CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral": Portfolio Collateral (excluding Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) that has a Moody's Rating below "B3" or an S&P Rating below "B-".

"CCC Rating Category": Having a Moody's Rating of "Caa1" or below or an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or below.

"Class": The Class X Notes, the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes, as the case may be.

"Class A Notes": The Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes and the Class A-4L Notes.

"Class A Overcollateralization Percentage": The overcollateralization percentage applicable to the Notes set forth under "Description of the Notes—Overcollateralization Tests."

"Class A Overcollateralization Test": As described in "Description of the Notes—Overcollateralization Tests."

"Class A Overcollateralization Ratio": As described under "Description of the Notes—Overcollateralization Tests."

"Class A-1LA Notes": The U.S.\$538,000,000 Class A-1LA Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2021.

"Class A-1LB Notes": The U.S.\$96,000,000 Class A-1LB Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2021.

"Class A-2L Notes": The U.S.\$76,000,000 Class A-2L Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2021.

"Class A-3L Notes": The U.S.\$36,500,000 Class A-3L Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2021.

"Class A-4L Notes": The U.S.\$10,000,000 Class A-4L Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2021.

"Class B-1L Notes": The U.S.\$21,000,000 Class B-1L Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2021.

"Class B-1L Overcollateralization Percentage": The overcollateralization percentage applicable to the Class B-1L Notes set forth under "Description of the Notes—Overcollateralization Tests".

"Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio": As described under "Description of the Notes—Overcollateralization Tests".

"Class I Preferred Shares": The Class I Preferred Shares, par value \$0.001 per share, issued by the Issuer; *provided* that any transfer of Class I Preferred Shares to HFP from any third party shall require the exchange and conversion of such Class I Preferred Shares into Class II Preferred Shares.

"Class II Preferred Shares": The Class II Preferred Shares, par value \$0.001 per share, issued by the Issuer and held by HFP; *provided* that any transfer of Class II Preferred Shares by HFP to any third party shall require that

such Class II Preferred Shares be redeemed by the Issuer and a corresponding amount of Class I Preferred Shares be issued to Investor Corp. which will in turn issue its preferred shares to such investor.

"Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend": For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the sum of (a) the product of (i) the Additional Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (ii) the Class II Preferred Share Portion for such Payment Date plus (b) on any Payment Date that any part of the Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, interest on such unpaid amount in an amount equal to the product of (i) LIBOR for the applicable period and (ii) the actual number of days in such Due Period, divided by 360 plus (c) on any Payment Date that any part of the Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, such unpaid Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend and interest thereon in an amount equal to the product of (i) LIBOR for the applicable period and (ii) the actual number of days in such Due Period divided by 360.

"Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend": For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Base Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preferred Share Portion for such Payment Date.

"Class II Preferred Share Dividend": Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend, Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend and Class II Preferred Share Supplemental Dividend.

"Class II Preferred Share Percentage": For any Payment Date, a fraction, expressed as a percentage, the numerator of which is the number of Outstanding Class II Preferred Shares on the Calculation Date related to such Payment Date and the denominator of which is the total number of Outstanding Preferred Shares on such Calculation Date.

"Class II Preferred Share Portion": For any Payment Date, 100% minus the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date.

"Class II Preferred Share Supplemental Dividend": For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Supplemental Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preferred Share Portion for such Payment Date.

"Class X Interest Payment": The Periodic Interest Amount with respect to the Class X Notes.

"Class X Notes": The U.S.\$14,000,000 Class X Floating Rate Notes Due August 2013.

"Class X Payment": With respect to each Payment Date; the Class X Interest Payment and the Class X Principal Payment; *provided*, such amount may be reduced in connection with a redemption of the Class X Notes, as set forth in the Indenture.

"Class X Principal Payment": With respect to the Class X Notes and any Payment Date, beginning on the November 1, 2007 Payment Date, in accordance with the amortization schedule provided in the Indenture.

"Class X Shortfall Amount": With respect to the Class X Notes and any Payment Date, any shortfall or shortfalls in the payment of the Class X Payment with respect to any preceding Payment Date or Payment Dates together with interest accrued thereon at the Periodic Interest Rate relating to the Class X Notes (net of all Class X Shortfall Amounts, if any, paid with respect to the Class X Notes prior to such Payment Date).

"Clearstream": Clearstream Banking, société anonyme.

"Closing Date": May 10, 2006.

"Closing Expense Account": An account maintained by the Issuer with the Trustee into which an amount necessary to pay closing expenses will be deposited on the Closing Date.

"CLO Security": A U.S. dollar-denominated collateralized loan obligation or a similar obligation that entitles the holders thereof to receive payments that depend (except for rights or other assets designed to assure the servicing or timely distribution of proceeds to holders of the CLO Securities) on the credit exposure to, or cash flow from, a portfolio of collateral of which at least 75% consists of commercial loans (including eligible synthetic securities whose reference obligations consist of commercial loans); *provided* that not more than 25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of any CLO Security may be comprised of Synthetic Securities; and *provided* further that each CLO Security must have a public or an estimated rating from each of the Rating Agencies.

"Code": The United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time.

"Co-Issuer": Rockwall CDO (Delaware) Corp., a Delaware corporation.

"Co-Issuers": The Issuer and the Co-Issuer.

"Collateral": All money, instruments and other property and rights subject or intended to be subject to the lien of the Indenture including all proceeds thereof, including the Portfolio Collateral, the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Reserve Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Loan Funding Account, the Closing Expense Account, the Default Swap Collateral Account (subject to the rights of the related Default Swap Counterparty) and the Default Swap Issuer Account (subject to the rights of the related Default Swap Counterparty).

"Collateral Disposition Proceeds": All proceeds (including, to the extent so determined by the Servicer, any payments received in connection with a consent or similar solicitation and including amounts received in connection with an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral up to an amount equal to, in the aggregate, the Principal Balance of such item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) received during a Due Period from the sale or other disposition of any Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate, net of any reasonable amounts expended by the Trustee in connection with such sale or other disposition (including without limitation disposition proceeds from liquidation of the Trust Estate). Accrued interest may be treated as Collateral Disposition Proceeds (y) to the extent necessary to pay for the principal amount of or accrued interest on Substitute Portfolio Collateral if the item of sold Portfolio Collateral paid interest before, and in the same Due Period as, the date of sale or (z) to the extent such amounts are Purchased Accrued Interest treated as Collateral Principal Collections hereunder. Amounts received with respect to Equity Portfolio Collateral or in connection with a consent or similar solicitation shall be treated as Collateral Interest Collections to the extent such proceeds are in excess of the Principal Balance (determined immediately prior to such Portfolio Collateral becoming Equity Portfolio Collateral) of the Portfolio Collateral disposed of.

"Collateral Interest Collections": With respect to any Payment Date, the sum of (i) all payments of interest with respect to any Portfolio Collateral (excluding accrued interest classified as Collateral Disposition Proceeds but including any other receipts of accrued interest (including Accrued Interest on Sale) and, to the extent so determined by the Servicer, any payments (other than principal) received pursuant to a consent or similar solicitation, fees received in connection with an amendment (but only to the extent such amendment does not result in diminishing the principal money terms of such item of Portfolio Collateral) and including any commitment, standby or similar fees with respect to the unfunded portion of the Issuer's commitment to make or otherwise fund advances with respect to a Delayed Drawdown Loan or a Revolving Loan which are received during the applicable Due Period, less any Retained Accrued Interest, (ii) the Account Income, if any, in the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account and the Loan Funding Account which is received during the applicable Due Period, as each is determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date (including, without limitation, Account Income on funds on deposit in the Initial Deposit Account transferred to the Collection Account on the Effective Date pursuant to the Indenture, (iii) any amount transferred from the Initial Deposit Account at the discretion of the Servicer as described under "Security for the Notes—Accounts" and (iv) income on Eligible Investments in and/or the securities credited to the Default Swap Collateral Account (to the extent the Issuer is entitled to receive such income pursuant to the Indenture).

"Collateral LIBOR": With respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral, the London interbank offered rate for U.S. dollar deposits as set forth in the applicable Underlying Instrument.

"Collateral Principal Collections": With respect to any Payment Date, all payments of any principal with respect to any Portfolio Collateral including (i) any remaining Deposit (other than Account Income thereon and

amounts described in clause (iii) of the definition of "Collateral Interest Collections" herein) not applied to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral or to effect an Initial Deposit Redemption, (ii) any payment of Premium, (iii) to the extent so determined by the Servicer, including any payments received in connection with a consent or similar solicitation, fees received in connection with an amendment and including principal received in connection with or any payments received with respect to an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral in connection with a consent or similar solicitation, (iv) all proceeds received from the sale of any warrant (whether sold as part of a Unit or separately), (v) any Collateral Disposition Proceeds which are received during the applicable Due Period, as determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date, (vi) amounts representing Purchased Accrued Interest, (vii) amounts transferred from the Loan Funding Account upon the sale or disposition of Delayed Drawdown Loans or Revolving Loans or upon the expiration of a drawdown period or revolving period. Collateral Principal Collections shall include any other amounts not included in Collateral Interest Collections or Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections, including any payments received with respect to an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral up to, in the aggregate, the Principal Balance of such item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, (viii) funds (other than income thereon) transferred from a Default Swap Collateral Account to the Collection Account, (ix) any amounts received by the Issuer that do not qualify as Collateral Interest Collections (other than those standing to the credit of any Default Swap Collateral Account or Default Swap Issuer Account) and (x) on or after the Effective Date, any funds in the Initial Deposit Account not considered Collateral Interest Collections). Notwithstanding the foregoing, Collateral Principal Collections shall include (A) any other amounts not included in Collateral Interest Collections or Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections, (B) any payments received with respect to an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral up to, in the aggregate, the Principal Balance of such item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and (C) any amounts recharacterized as Collateral Principal Collections in connection with any distribution of Payment Date Equity Securities.

"Collateral Quality Formula": As such term is defined in the Indenture.

"Collateral Quality Matrix": As described under "Security for the Notes—Criteria for Purchase and Substitution of Collateral—Collateral Quality Matrix Tests."

"Collection Account": The account established with the Trustee for use in connection with the collection and disbursement of Collections.

"Collections": With respect to any Payment Date, the sum of (i) the Collateral Interest Collections collected during the applicable Due Period and (ii) the Collateral Principal Collections collected during the applicable Due Period, as each is determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date.

"Controlling Class": Shall mean the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class X Notes, so long as any Class A-1LA Notes or Class X Notes are Outstanding, then the Class A-1LB Notes, so long as any Class A-1LB Notes are Outstanding, then the Class A-2L Notes, so long as any Class A-2L Notes are Outstanding, then the Class A-3L Notes, so long as any Class A-3L Notes are Outstanding, then the Class A-4L Notes, as long as any Class A-4L Notes are Outstanding, then the Class B-1L Notes, so long as any Class B-1L Notes are Outstanding.

"Coupon Adjustment": A proportional reduction of the required Weighted Average Coupon of the Fixed Rate Collateral or the required Weighted Average Margin of the Floating Rate Collateral, as determined in accordance with the Indenture, to the extent that either the actual Weighted Average Margin of the Floating Rate Collateral or the actual Weighted Average Coupon of the Fixed Rate Collateral, respectively, exceeds the required amount specified in the Indenture, in each case without regard to any Coupon Adjustment.

"Credit Event": As defined under "Special Considerations—Nature of Collateral Pledged to Secure the Notes; Ability to Obtain Additional Portfolio Collateral; Availability of Funds for Subordinate Payments.

"Credit Improved Criteria": Shall mean with respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral, in the Servicer's reasonable judgment, such item of Portfolio Collateral has significantly improved in credit quality, and:

(a) Moody's, S&P or Fitch has placed such item of Portfolio Collateral or any other class of security issued together with such item of Portfolio Collateral (or, if such item of Portfolio Collateral is not rated, the issuer

thereof) on its credit watch list (or similar list) with the potential for developing positive credit implications since the date the Issuer first acquired such item of Portfolio Collateral (and for so long as such item of Portfolio Collateral or issuer, as applicable, remains on such list) or there has been an upgrade in the rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral, issuer or other class of security issued together with such item of Portfolio Collateral, as applicable, by Moody's, S&P or Fitch by one or more subcategories from the rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral or issuer, as applicable, by Moody's, S&P or Fitch, as applicable, in effect on the date the Issuer first acquired such item of Portfolio Collateral;

(b) with respect to a Portfolio Loan, since the date on which such Portfolio Loan was first acquired by the Issuer, has increased in price to 101.5% or more of its original purchase price or the spread of which over the related reference rate has been reduced, in each case, in accordance with its Underlying Instruments since the date on which such item of Portfolio Collateral was first acquired by the Issuer by 0.25% or more (in the case of an item of Portfolio Collateral with a spread over the related reference rate less than or equal to 2.00% at the time such item of Portfolio Collateral was first acquired by the Issuer) or 0.50% or more (in the case of an item of Portfolio Collateral with a spread over the related reference rate greater than 2.00% at the time such item of Portfolio Collateral was first acquired by the Issuer) for reasons primarily due to an improvement in the related borrower's financial ratios or financial results and not as a result of general market conditions; or

(c) with respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral which is not a Portfolio Loan, an increase in the market price (expressed as a percentage of par value) since the date of purchase of such item of Portfolio Collateral which, compared to the change in the average market price of a representative sample (as determined by the Servicer) of other debt securities with similar terms and credit characteristics and that would be eligible to be pledged as Portfolio Collateral, is greater than 3.00% of the par value or more relative to such representative sample; or a decrease since the date of purchase of such item of Portfolio Collateral of more than 10.0% in the difference between the yield to worst call on such item of Portfolio Collateral compared to the yield on the relevant United States Treasury security;

*provided, however*, that the criteria in (b) and (c) above may be used only as corroboration of other bases for the Servicer's Judgment.

"Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral": Any item of Portfolio Collateral which, (a) in the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment consistent with the standard of care set forth in the Servicing Agreement (*provided*, that in forming such judgment a decrease in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases of such judgment), has improved in credit quality or otherwise satisfies the Credit Improved Criteria or (b) is sold pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange; *provided* that the Aggregate Principal Amount of any such Portfolio Collateral sold pursuant to clause (b) shall not exceed, during any twelve-month period, 20% (or such lower amount as determined by the Servicer) of the Aggregate Par Amount as of the first day of such period.

"Credit Protection Payment": As defined under "Special Considerations—Nature of Collateral Pledged to Secure the Notes; Ability to Obtain Additional Portfolio Collateral; Availability of Funds for Subordinate Payments.

"Credit Risk Criteria": Shall mean with respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral:

(a) Moody's, Fitch or S&P has placed such item of Portfolio Collateral or any other class of security issued together with such item of Portfolio Collateral (or, if such item of Portfolio Collateral is not rated, the issuer thereof) on its credit watch list with the potential for developing negative credit implications (or similar list) since the date the Issuer first acquired such item of Portfolio Collateral (and for so long as such item of Portfolio Collateral or issuer, as applicable, remains on such list) or there has been a reduction in the rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral, issuer or other class of security issued together with such item of Portfolio Collateral, as applicable, by Moody's, Fitch or S&P, as applicable, by one or more subcategories from the rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral or issuer, as applicable, by Moody's, Fitch or S&P, as applicable, in effect on the date the Issuer first acquired such item of Portfolio Collateral;

(b) which is a Portfolio Loan, the spread over the applicable reference rate has been increased in accordance with the related Underlying Instruments since the date on which such Portfolio Loan was first acquired by the Issuer by 0.50% or more (in the case of a Portfolio Loan with a spread over the applicable reference rate at the time such Portfolio Loan was first acquired by the Issuer less than or equal to 2.00%) or 0.75% or more (in the case of a Portfolio Loan with a spread over the applicable reference rate at the time such Portfolio Loan was first acquired by the Issuer greater than 2.00%) primarily due to a deterioration in the related borrower's financial ratios or financial results and not as a result of general market conditions; provided, however, that the criteria in this paragraph (b) may be used only as corroboration of other bases for the Servicer's judgment;

(c) which is a CLO Security, a decline in the par amount of underlying collateral such that the aggregate par amount of the entire class of securities to which such item of Portfolio Collateral belongs and all other securities secured by the same pool of collateral and that rank senior in priority of payment to such class of securities exceeds the aggregate par amount of all collateral (excluding defaulted collateral) securing such securities; or

(d) it is a Deferred Interest PIK Bond or a partial Deferred Interest PIK Bond.

"Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral": Any item of Portfolio Collateral (other than an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) which, in the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment consistent with the standard of care set forth in the Servicing Agreement (which judgment shall not be questioned as a result of subsequent events; *provided* that in forming such judgment an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral may only be initialized as corroboration of other bases of such judgment), (i) is likely to decline in credit quality and, with the passage of time, become Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and (ii) if a Sales Restriction Condition has occurred, otherwise satisfies the Credit Risk Criteria.

"Cumulative Class X Payment": With respect to any Payment Date and the Class X Notes, the Class X Payment with respect to such Payment Date and the Class X Shortfall Amount, if any, with respect to such Payment Date.

"Cumulative Interest Amount": With respect to a Payment Date and a Class of Notes, the applicable Periodic Interest Amount with respect to such Payment Date and the applicable Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount, if any, with respect to such Payment Date.

"Current Pay Obligation": An item of Portfolio Collateral that would otherwise be an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral but as to which (i) no interest payments (including deferred interest) or scheduled principal payments are due and payable that are unpaid and the Servicer reasonably expects that the issuer or obligor of such item of Portfolio Collateral will continue to make scheduled payments in cash of interest or principal thereon and will pay the principal thereof by maturity, (ii) if the issuer or obligor of such item of Portfolio Collateral is subject to a bankruptcy proceeding, a bankruptcy court has authorized the payment of interest due and payable on such item of Portfolio Collateral, and (iii) either (a) the Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral is equal to or greater than 80% of par and the Moody's Rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral is at least "Caa1" or (b) the Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral is equal to or greater than 85% of par and the Moody's Rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral is at least "Caa2" (or, if the Moody's Rating has been withdrawn, the Moody's Rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral was at least "Caa2" prior to withdrawal) or (c) if the Moody's Rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral is less than "Caa2" or is "Caa2" and on credit watch with negative implications, but greater than or equal to "Caa3" without credit watch with negative implications, the Market Value of the such item of Portfolio Collateral is at least equal to 90% of its Principal Balance; provided that if the Moody's Rating of the item of Portfolio Collateral has been withdrawn but the obligation had a Moody's rating of at least "Caa3" without credit watch with negative implications at the time of default, such item of Portfolio Collateral may be treated as a Current Pay Obligation if its Market Value is at least equal to 90% of its Principal Balance.

"Current Portfolio": As described under "Security for the Notes—S&P CDO Monitor Test."

"Debt Security": Each Structured Finance Investment and interests in corporate and other debt securities (including senior secured rate floating notes) included in the Portfolio Collateral (other than Eligible Investments,



CLO Securities and Portfolio Loans) and, for the avoidance of doubt, Portfolio Loans shall not be considered Debt Securities.

**"Default"**: Any event or condition the occurrence or existence of which would, with the giving of notice or lapse of time or both become, an Event of Default.

**"Defaulted Portfolio Collateral"**: Any item of Portfolio Collateral (other than an item of Portfolio Collateral which is a DIP Loan, unless such item of Portfolio Collateral itself is in default since acquisition), including with respect to a Synthetic Security, the related Reference Obligation, with respect to which:

(i) the issuer thereof has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (in respect of Portfolio Loans only, beyond five Business Days, *provided* the Servicer certifies in writing to the Trustee that it believes, in its reasonable business judgment, that such delay is not credit related), unless, in the case of a failure of such issuer to make required interest payments, such issuer has resumed current cash payments of interest and paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon;

(ii) such item of Portfolio Collateral is *pari passu* with or subordinated to other material indebtedness for borrowed money owing by the issuer thereof ("Other Indebtedness") and such issuer has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (beyond any applicable grace or notice period and without regard to any waiver of such default) on such Other Indebtedness, unless, in the case of a failure of such issuer to make required interest payments, such issuer has resumed current cash payments of interest and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon;

(iii) certain bankruptcy or insolvency events have occurred;

(iv) the Servicer has knowledge (or such rating information has been published) that the issuer thereof is rated "D" or "SD" (or S&P has withdrawn its rating which prior to such withdrawal was rated "D" or "SD");

(v) there has been proposed or effected any distressed exchange or other distressed debt restructuring where the issuer of such Portfolio Collateral has offered the debt holders a new security or package of securities that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer amounts to a diminished financial obligation;

(vi) such item of Portfolio Collateral is declared to be an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral by the Servicer, but only so long as it remains so designated by the Servicer in its sole discretion; or

(vii) such item of Portfolio Collateral is a CLO Security which is rated "CC" or below by S&P (or S&P has withdrawn its rating which prior to such withdrawal was rated "CC"), or rated "C" or "Ca" or below by Moody's;

*provided* that any item of Portfolio Collateral that is classified as an item of "Defaulted Portfolio Collateral" will cease to be so classified if such item of Portfolio Collateral, at any date thereafter, (a) would not otherwise be classified as an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral in accordance with the definition of such term and (b) otherwise meets the collateral criteria described herein as of such date.

**"Default Swap"**: Any U.S. dollar denominated "pay as you go" credit default swap or total return swap with respect to a Reference Obligation, which the Issuer (directly or indirectly) purchased from or entered into with a Default Swap Counterparty, which contains equivalent probability of default, recovery upon default (or a specific percentage thereof), expected loss, maturity, interest rate and other non-credit characteristics as those of the related Reference Obligation (without taking account of such considerations as they relate to the Default Swap Counterparty); *provided that* (i) the Reference Obligation is a CLO Security, (ii) such Default Swap will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. Federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to U.S. Federal income tax on a net income tax basis, (iii) either (a) amounts receivable by the Issuer are not expected to (based on the Servicer's determination, which may include consultation with counsel to the Issuer) be subject to U.S. or foreign withholding tax in respect of the Default Swap or (b) the Default Swap Counterparty is required to make "gross-up" payments pursuant to the related Underlying Instruments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax on an after-tax basis (including any tax on such additional

payments), (iv) the Issuer has caused to be deposited in a Default Swap Collateral Account an amount in cash at least equal to the aggregate of (or the amount required under the terms of the Synthetic Security to provide for) all further payments (contingent or otherwise) that the Issuer is or may be required to make to the Default Swap Counterparty under the Default Swap; (v) the agreement relating to such Default Swap contains "non-petition" provisions with respect to the Issuer and "limited recourse" provisions limiting the Default Swap Counterparty's rights in respect of the Default Swap Collateral to the funds and other property credited to the Default Swap Collateral Account related to such Default Swap; (vi) the notional amount of such Default Swap is equal to the principal amount of the Reference Obligation; (vii) the agreement relating to such Default Swap Collateral contains provisions to the effect that upon the occurrence of an "Event of Default" or "Termination Event" (other than an "Illegality" or "Tax Event"), if any, where the Default Swap Counterparty is the sole "Defaulting Party" or the sole "Affected Party" ("Event of Default," "Termination Event," "Illegality," "Tax Event," "Defaulting Party" or "Affected Party," as applicable, as such terms are defined in the ISDA Master Agreement relating to such Default Swap), (a) the Issuer may terminate its obligations under such Default Swap and upon such termination and payment of any termination amount payable under the Default Swap, any lien in favor of the Default Swap Counterparty over its related Default Swap Collateral Account will be terminated and (b) upon payment of any termination amount payable under the Default Swap, the Issuer will no longer be obligated to make any payments to the Default Swap Counterparty with respect to such Default Swap, (viii) any Default Swap shall be positively indexed to the related Reference Obligation on no more than a one-to-one basis, (ix) if any Reference Obligation delivered pursuant to any Default Swap does not constitute Portfolio Collateral and it would cause any collateral quality test or concentration limitation not to be satisfied, such Reference Obligation shall be deemed Equity Portfolio Collateral, and (x) (a) such Default Swap shall be documented with a standard ISDA form master agreement, as modified by appropriate schedules and confirmations and (b) (1) such Default Swap is a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or (2) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the purchase of or entry into such Default Swap.

**"Default Swap Collateral":** Means cash, securities or other collateral purchased or posted by the Issuer for the benefit of the Default Swap Counterparty in connection with the purchase of a Default Swap, including without limitation a payment of cash or delivery of securities by the Issuer.

**"Default Swap Collateral Account":** The account established by the Trustee under the Indenture with respect to Default Swap Collateral, which account will be held in the name of the Trustee in trust for the benefit of the related Default Swap Counterparty.

**"Default Swap Counterparty":** Any entity, whose long term senior unsecured debt or derivatives counterparty rating shall be at least "A2" by Moody's and a long term rating of at least "A" or a short term rating of at least "A-1" by S&P, required to make payments on Synthetic Portfolio Collateral pursuant to the terms of such Default Swap or any guarantee thereof to the extent that a Reference Obligor makes payments on a related Reference Obligation.

**"Default Swap Counterparty Termination Payment":** An amount payable by the Issuer to a Default Swap Counterparty that is due following the designation of an "Early Termination Date" (as defined in the related credit default swap) (other than in respect of "Illegality" or a "Tax Event" (each as defined in the related credit default swap)), as to which the Default Swap Counterparty is the sole "Defaulting Party" or the sole "Affected Party" (as each such term is defined in the ISDA Master Agreement related to such Synthetic Security).

**"Default Swap Issuer Account":** The account established by the Trustee under the Indenture with respect to any Synthetic Security if the terms of such Default Swap require the Default Swap Counterparty to secure its obligations with respect to such Default Swap, which account will be held in the name of the Trustee in trust for the benefit of the Noteholders and the other secured parties under the Indenture.

**"Deferred Interest PIK Bond":** As of any date of determination, any PIK Bond that is not an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral that has, in accordance with its terms, deferred or paid "in-kind" any amount of interest for a period equal to:

(a) in the case of an item of Portfolio Collateral that has a Moody's Rating below "Baa3" (or, if rated "Baa3," is on credit watch for possible downgrade) or, if rated by S&P, a rating by S&P below "BBB-" (or, if rated "BBB-," is on credit watch for possible downgrade), the shorter of one accrual period or six months; and

(b) in all other cases, the shorter of two accrual periods or twelve months;

and has not, as of such date of determination, resumed timely payment of current interest in cash and repaid all outstanding deferred or capitalized interest in cash. For the avoidance of doubt, an item of Portfolio Collateral will not constitute a Deferred Interest PIK Bond if it resumes timely payment of current interest in cash and repays all outstanding deferred or capitalized interest in cash on the Payment Date immediately succeeding the end of the interest accrual period(s) set forth above.

**"Definitive Notes"**: With respect to any Class, the definitive fully registered Notes of each Class sold in the United States to Qualified Institutional Buyers who are U.S. Persons or issued in lieu of a Regulation S Global Note under the circumstances described herein.

**"Delayed Drawdown Loan"**: A Portfolio Loan that, pursuant to the related Underlying Instrument or Underlying Loan and Security Agreement and lender or lenders, would obligate the Issuer, if the Issuer were to become a lender thereunder by purchasing such Portfolio Loan for inclusion in the Trust Estate, to make or otherwise fund one or more future advances to the related borrower and meeting the criteria described under "Security for the Notes—Criteria for Purchase and Substitution of Collateral"; provided that, if a Delayed Drawdown Loan has been drawn in full and there are no future advance obligations to the related borrower, such Portfolio Loan will no longer be considered a Delayed Drawdown Loan.

**"Deposit"**: The cash deposited in the Initial Deposit Account on the Closing Date, including any reimbursement for amounts withdrawn therefrom as described under "Security for the Notes—Accounts" (excluding any Account Income thereon), which amount shall include certain amounts related to interest received on Portfolio Collateral as specified in the Indenture.

**"DIP Loan"**: Any interest in a loan or financing facility (a) which at the time of purchase is an obligation of a debtor-in-possession pursuant to Section 364 of United States the Bankruptcy Code, (b) the terms of which have been approved by an order of a United States Bankruptcy Court, a United States District Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, the enforceability of which order is not subject to any pending contested matter or proceeding (as such terms are defined in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure), (c) which has the priority allowed by either Section 364(c) or 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code, (d) which pays interest in cash on a current basis and (e) as to which the obligor has paid its most recent scheduled interest and principal payments (if any) and the Servicer reasonably expects that such obligor will continue to pay interest and principal payments. For purposes hereof, a DIP Loan shall not be considered a Current Pay Obligation. Any DIP Loan added as an item of Portfolio Collateral must be assigned a formal or estimated rating by each of the Rating Agencies.

**"Discount Portfolio Collateral"**: (a) Any Portfolio Loan which had a Moody's Rating of at least "B3" at the time of purchase and which was purchased at a price less than 85% of the Principal Balance thereof, (b) any Portfolio Loan which had a Moody's Rating below "B3" at the time of purchase and which was purchased at a price less than 90% of the Principal Balance thereof, (c) any item of Portfolio Collateral which is not a Portfolio Loan and which had a Moody's Rating of at least "B3" at the time of purchase and which was purchased at a price less than 80% of the Principal Balance thereof, (d) any item of Portfolio Collateral which is not a Portfolio Loan and which had a Moody's Rating below "B3" at the time of purchase and which was purchased at a price less than 85% of the Principal Balance thereof and (e) any CLO Security which had a Moody's Rating of "Aa3" or greater at the time of purchase or originally rated "Aa3" or greater by Moody's which was purchased at a price less than 92% of the Principal Balance thereof and the provisions outlined below will not be applicable to these CLO Securities with a Moody's Rating of at least "Aa3"; *provided* that, (i) any item of Portfolio Collateral that would otherwise be considered Discount Portfolio Collateral, but that has a Market Value above 90% of its Principal Balance for 22 consecutive Business Days if it is a Portfolio Loan or above 85% of its Principal Balance for 60 consecutive days if it is a CLO Security, after being purchased by the Issuer, will no longer be considered Discount Portfolio Collateral and (ii) any item of Portfolio Collateral that would otherwise be considered Discount Portfolio Collateral, but that is purchased with the proceeds of sale of an item of Portfolio Collateral that was not an item of Discount Portfolio Collateral at the time of its purchase, so long as such item of Portfolio Collateral (a) was purchased or committed to be purchased within five Business Days of such sale, (b) was purchased at a price (as a percentage of par) equal to or greater than the sale price of the sold item of Portfolio Collateral, (c) was purchased at a purchase price not less than 65% of the Principal Balance thereof and (d) had a rating equal to or greater than the rating of the sold item of

Portfolio Collateral, will not be considered Discount Portfolio Collateral. Notwithstanding the foregoing, at no time during the period commencing on the Closing Date through the Final Maturity Date, shall the Aggregate Principal Amount of all items of Discount Portfolio Collateral purchased pursuant to clause (ii) exceed in the aggregate 10% of the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount; *provided* that no more than 3% of the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount of such 10% cumulative limitation may consist of CLO Securities; *provided* that if a Portfolio Loan purchased pursuant to clause (ii) above is repaid in full, is sold for a price equal to at least 97.5% of its unpaid Principal Balance or has a Market Value above 90% of its Principal Balance for at least 22 consecutive Business Days after being purchased, such Portfolio Loan shall not be taken into account for purposes of clause (ii) above; *provided* further that, as of any date of determination, the Aggregate Principal Amount of items of Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate purchased pursuant to clause (ii) above, may not exceed (x) 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount or (y) if the weighted average purchase price of Portfolio Collateral purchased pursuant to clause (b) above is less than 75% as of such date of determination, 2.5% of the Aggregate Par Amount.

"Distributable Equity Securities": Any and all Equity Portfolio Collateral, which cannot be sold by the Servicer as a result of the regulatory, market or other restrictions, as determined in good faith by the Servicer, and shall have the value as determined by an independent third party with relevant experience in making such valuation.

"DTC": The Depository Trust Company or any successor thereto.

"Due Period": With respect to any Payment Date, the period beginning on the day following the last day of the immediately preceding Due Period (or, in the case of the Due Period that is applicable to the first Payment Date beginning on the Closing Date) and ending at the close of business on the seventh Business Day preceding such Payment Date.

"Effective Date": The earlier of (i) the first date on which the Deposit has been applied to the purchase (or committed to the purchase), of Original Portfolio Collateral such that the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any of the Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date) is at least equal to the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount or (ii) September 10, 2006.

"Eligible Investments": Any U.S. dollar denominated investment that is one or more of the following (including security entitlements thereto):

(a) direct registered obligations of, and registered obligations fully guaranteed by, the United States of America or any agency or instrumentality of the United States of America the obligations of which are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America or United States Security Entitlements (as defined in the Indenture) other than obligations or security entitlements of the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation; *provided, however*, that, in the case of obligations or United States Security Entitlements that are rated, each such obligation shall, at the time of its inclusion in the Trust Estate, have a credit rating of "AA-" or better or "A-1+" or better, as applicable, by S&P (except that Eligible Investments in an amount up to 20% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes Outstanding may be rated "A-1") and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) or "P-1" or better by Moody's, and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications);

(b) demand and time deposits in, trust accounts with, and certificates of deposit of, any depository institution or trust company (including the Trustee) incorporated under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof and subject to the supervision and examination by federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or debt obligations of such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company) at the time of purchase or contractual commitment providing for such purchase have a credit rating of "AA-" or better, in the case of debt obligations, or "A-1+" or better, in the case of commercial paper, by S&P (except that Eligible Investments in an amount up to 20% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes Outstanding may be

rated "A-1") and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) or "P-1" or better by Moody's, and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications);

(c) registered securities bearing interest or sold at a discount issued by any corporation incorporated under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof that have a credit rating of "AA-" or better by S&P and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) or "P-1" or better by Moody's at the time of such purchase or contractual commitment providing for such purchase, and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications);

(d) repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clause (a) above, entered into with a depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (b) above (including the Trustee) or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose short-term debt has a credit rating of "A-1+" (except that Eligible Investments in an amount up to 20% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes Outstanding may be rated "A-1") or better by S&P and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) or "P-1" or better by Moody's at the time of purchase in the case of any repurchase obligation for a security having a maturity not more than 183 days from the date of its issuance or whose long-term debt has a credit rating of "AA-" or better by S&P and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) by Moody's at the time of purchase in the case of any repurchase obligation for a security having a maturity more than 183 days from the date of its issuance and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications);

(e) commercial paper having at the time of purchase a credit rating of "A-1+" (except that an amount up to 20% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes Outstanding may be rated "A-1") or better by S&P and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) or "P-1" or better by Moody's and that has a maturity of not more than 183 days from its date of issuance; *provided, however*, that in the case of commercial paper with a maturity of longer than 91 days, the issuer of such commercial paper (or, in the case of a principal depository institution in a holding company system, the holding company of such system), if rated by S&P, must have at the time of purchase a long-term credit rating of "AA-" or better by S&P and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) by Moody's and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications);

(f) off-shore money market funds, which funds have, at all times, the highest credit rating assigned to such investment category by S&P and Moody's; and

(g) such other Eligible Investments acceptable to the Rating Agencies.

*provided, however*, that: (i) Eligible Investments purchased with funds in the Collection Account shall be held until maturity (or sold only for an amount at least equal to the par amount of such Eligible Investment) and shall include only such obligations or securities as mature no later than the Business Day prior to the next Payment Date and Eligible Investments purchased with funds in the Initial Deposit Account shall be held until maturity (or sold only for an amount at least equal to the par amount of such Eligible Investment) and shall include only such obligations or securities as mature no later than the Business Day prior to the date expected to be used and in any event prior to the Initial Deposit Redemption Date; (ii) none of the foregoing obligations or securities shall constitute Eligible Investments if all, or substantially all, of the remaining amounts payable thereunder shall consist of interest and not principal payments; (iii) none of the S&P ratings required above shall have a subscript of "r", "t", "p", "pi" or "q"; (iv) none of the foregoing obligations or securities shall constitute Eligible Investments if such obligations or securities are mortgage-backed securities; (v) no such obligation may be margin stock, securities which have a mandatory or optional conversion to equity or securities which are subject to an Offer; (vi) no such obligation may have coupons or other payments that are subject to U.S. withholding tax or are subject to foreign withholding under the terms of the underlying instruments where the issuer is not required to make "gross-up" payments sufficient to cause the net amount to be received on the debt obligations to equal the amount that would have been paid had no such withholding tax applied; and (vii) any such Eligible Investment purchased on the basis of S&P's short-term rating of "A-1" shall mature not later than thirty (30) days after the date of purchase. Eligible Investments may include those Eligible Investments with respect to which the Trustee or its Affiliates provide services.

"Equity Portfolio Collateral": Any security (or any other right, interest or property or securities entitlement) which does not entitle the holder thereof to receive periodic payments of interest no less frequently than semiannually and one or more installments of principal, in cash and sufficient to retire in full the stated principal amount thereof on the stated maturity date therefor; *provided, however*, that such definition will not include warrants, profit participations or similar equity-based rights that are a component of a Unit to the extent that the Aggregate Principal Amount of Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate with a warrant, profit participation or similar equity-based right attached thereto as a component of a Unit does not exceed 10% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Pledged Securities in the Trust Estate.

"ERISA": The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended from time to time.

"Euroclear": Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of The Euroclear System, and any successor thereto.

"Event of Default": The meaning specified herein under "Legal Structure—The Indenture—Events of Default."

"Exchange Act": The United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

"Exchange Date": As defined under "Description of the Notes—Form, Transfer and Transfer Restrictions."

"Exchange Offer": With respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral, (i) an offer by the issuer of such item of Portfolio Collateral or by any other Person made to all holders of such item of Portfolio Collateral to exchange such item of Portfolio Collateral held by them for an item of Equity Portfolio Collateral or other debt instruments that do not otherwise satisfy the definition of Portfolio Collateral or (ii) any solicitation by such issuer or other Person to amend, modify or waive any provision of such item of Portfolio Collateral or of the related Underlying Instrument, the effect of which would be to convert such item of Portfolio Collateral into an item of Equity Portfolio Collateral or other debt instruments that do not otherwise satisfy the definition of Portfolio Collateral.

"Expected Maturity Date": With respect to the Class X Notes, the Payment Date occurring in August 2013.

"Expense Reimbursement Account": An account maintained by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer into which U.S. \$50,000 will be deposited on the Closing Date for the purpose of paying Issuer Base Administrative Expenses which are paid between Payment Dates when they are due and payable during such time.

"Extended Final Maturity Date": Shall mean, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Final Maturity Date (or, in the case of the First Extended Final Maturity Date, the Payment Date in August 2025).

"Extended Revolving Period End Date": As defined under "Confidential Offering Circular Summary—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date."

"Extended Weighted Average Life Date": As defined under "Confidential Offering Circular Summary—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date."

"Extension": Shall mean an extension of the Revolving Period, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test in accordance with the Indenture.

"Extension Bonus Payment": Shall mean, with respect to each Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable Noteholder set forth in "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date" in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Class A-1LA Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class A-1LB Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (3) in the case of the Class A-2L Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Date, (4) in the case of the Class A-3L Notes, 0.50% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable

Extension Effective Date, (5) in the case of the Class A-4L Notes, 0.50% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, and (6) in the case of the Class B-1L Notes, 0.50% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

"Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification": Shall mean, with respect to each Maturity Extension and each beneficial owner of Notes other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such beneficial owner acceptable to the Issuer to the effect that it held Notes other than Extension Sale Securities on the applicable Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof and wire transfer instructions for the Extension Bonus Payment and any required documentation thereunder.

"Extension Conditions": As defined under "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date."

"Extension Determination Date": Shall mean the 8th Business Day prior to each Extension Effective Date.

"Extension Effective Date": As defined under "Confidential Offering Circular Summary—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date."

"Extension Notice": As defined under "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date."

"Extension Purchase Price": Shall mean the purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with each Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest as of the applicable Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), (ii) in the case of the Preferred Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preferred Shares since the Closing Date would cause such Preferred Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) an Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a "Payment Date" under the Indenture); *provided, however, that* if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received an Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Preferred Shares shall be zero.

"Extension Qualifying Purchasers": Shall mean the Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided that* in the event the Servicer elects not to purchase Securities from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date"; "Extension Qualifying Purchasers" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; *provided, however, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.*

"Extension Sale Notice": As defined under "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date."

"Extension Sale Notice Period": As defined under "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date."

"Extension Sale Securities": As defined under "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date."

"Final Maturity Date": With respect to the Notes (other than the Class X Notes) the Payment Date occurring in August 2021 and with respect to the Class X Notes, the Payment Date occurring in August 2013 or such earlier date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Notes, is paid in full, including in connection with an Optional Redemption; *provided that* the "Final Maturity Date" with respect to the Notes (other than the Class X Notes) will be extended to the applicable Extended Final Maturity Date upon the occurrence of a Maturity Extension.

"Fitch": Fitch Ratings or any successor thereto.

"Fixed Rate Collateral": An item of Portfolio Collateral that bears interest at a fixed rate.

"Floating Rate Collateral": An item of Portfolio Collateral that bears interest at a floating rate.

"Form-Approved Synthetic Security": A Synthetic Security (a)(i) the Reference Obligation of which would be eligible for purchase by the Issuer as an item of Portfolio Collateral without any required action by the Rating Agencies or for which each of the Rating Agencies has confirmed in writing that the use of which would not result in a reduction or withdrawal of the then-current rating of any Class of Notes or (ii) the Reference Obligation of which would satisfy clause (i) but for the currency in which it is payable and such Synthetic Security is payable in U.S. dollars, does not provide for physical settlement and does not expose the Issuer to currency risk, (b) the documentation of which conforms (but for the amount and timing of periodic payments, the name of the Reference Obligation, the notional amount, the effective date, the termination date and other similarly necessary changes) to a form in respect of which each of the Rating Agencies has confirmed in writing that the use of which would not result in a reduction or withdrawal of the then-current rating of any Class of Notes was previously obtained, (c) which provides that any "credit event" thereunder shall not include restructuring (other than modified restructuring as defined in the 2003 ISDA Credit Derivative Definitions), repudiation, moratorium, obligation default or obligation acceleration unless such Synthetic Security may be settled only through a physical settlement of a deliverable obligation to the Issuer and not in cash, (d) which has been certified in writing by the Servicer to the Trustee and the Issuer as meeting the requirements of this definition and (e) for which the Issuer has provided S&P and Moody's notice of the purchase of such Synthetic Security no less than five Business Days prior to such purchase; *provided* that Moody's or S&P may revoke its consent to a Form-Approved Synthetic Security upon 30 days' written notice to the Trustee and the Issuer.

"Global Note": Rule 144A Global Notes, together with Regulation S Global Notes.

"Group A Country": Australia, Canada, the United Kingdom, the Federal Republic of Germany or The Netherlands (so long as the U.S. dollar denominated sovereign debt obligations of such jurisdiction are rated at least "Aa2" by Moody's and the foreign currency issuer credit rating assigned by S&P to such jurisdiction is at least "AA" and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications)).

"Group B Country": Austria, Belgium, Bermuda, Denmark, Finland, France, Ireland, Italy, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden or Switzerland or any other member state of the European Union (as of the Closing Date) identified from time to time by the Servicer and subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency with respect thereto (so long as the U.S. dollar denominated sovereign debt obligations of such jurisdiction are rated at least "Aa2" by Moody's and the foreign currency issuer credit rating assigned by S&P to such jurisdiction is at least "AA" and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications)).

"HFP": Highland Financial Partners, L.P., or an affiliate or subsidiary thereof, in each case, an affiliate of the Servicer.

"HFP Shares": Preferred Shares beneficially owned or controlled by HFP.

"Highland": Highland Capital Management, L.P.

"Holder" and "Noteholder": The Person in whose name a Note is registered in the Note Register or in whose name a Preferred Share is registered in the Preferred Share Register.

"Indenture": The Indenture to be dated as of May 10, 2006 among the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as trustee and as securities intermediary, pursuant to which the Notes will be issued, as it may be amended or supplemented from time to time.

"Initial Consent Period": Shall mean the period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee provided notice of a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of any Notes or Preferred Shares.



"Initial Deposit Account": An account maintained by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer into which the cash constituting the Deposit will be deposited on the Closing Date pending use to purchase additional Original Portfolio Collateral.

"Initial Deposit Redemption": A redemption of the Class X Notes and the Class A-1LA Notes as described under "Description of the Notes—Initial Deposit Redemption."

"Initial Deposit Redemption Date": The November 2006 Payment Date.

"Initial Portfolio Collateral" : The Portfolio Collateral that, in the case of CLO Securities, will be purchased on or prior to the Closing Date and, in the case of Portfolio Loans, will be purchased on or before the Closing Date or identified by the Issuer and for which commitments will be entered into on or prior to the Closing Date for purchase on or as soon as practicable after (not scheduled to exceed sixty (60) days after) the Closing Date with the net proceeds from the sale of the Notes and the net proceeds from the sale of the Preferred Shares on the Closing Date, which Initial Portfolio Collateral is set forth in the Indenture.

"Initial Portfolio Collateral Amount": U.S.\$765,000,000 (or such larger Aggregate Principal Amount of Portfolio Collateral as may be purchased on or before the Closing Date by the Issuer).

"Initial Purchaser": Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc.

"Insured Notes": As described under "Description of the Notes—Option to Acquire Bond Insurance."

"Interest Coverage Ratio": As described under "Description of the Notes—Interest Coverage Test".

"Interest Coverage Test": A test which is applicable on each Payment Date after the second Payment Date and will be satisfied as of such determination date if the Interest Coverage Ratio will be at least 1.5%.

"Internal Rate of Return": With respect to any Payment Date, the annualized discount rate at which the sum of the discounted values of the following cashflows is equal to zero, assuming discounting on a quarterly basis as of each Payment Date: (1) the Notional Amount of the Preferred Shares (which amount will be deemed to be negative for purposes of this calculation), (2) each distribution of Collateral Interest Collections made to the holders of the Preferred Shares on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Internal Rate of Return, such Payment Date and (3) each distribution of Collateral Principal Collections made to the holders of the Preferred Shares on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Internal Rate of Return, such Payment Date.

"Investment Company Act": The United States Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended from time to time.

"Investor Corp.": Rockwall Investors Corp., a Cayman Islands limited liability company, which will hold all of the Class I Preferred Shares, and which will issue its preferred shares to third party investors.

"Irish Paying Agent": RSM Robson Rhodes LLP, or any successors thereto.

"Issuer": Rockwall CDO Ltd., an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands.

"Issuer Base Administrative Expenses": With respect to any Payment Date, the administrative expenses paid or payable by the Issuer during the applicable Due Period, including, without limitation, taxes, government fees, indemnities, registered office fees and expenses for third party loan pricing services and accountants, if any, in the following order: (i) *pro rata*, taxes of the Co-Issuers, surveillance fees, shadow rating fees and credit estimate fees, if any, of the Rating Agencies; fees due to any Listing and Paying Agent; fees due to any stock exchange on which any Class of the Notes or the Preferred Shares are listed; governmental fees, registered office fees and any other fees which are deemed necessary by the Servicer for administration of the Trust Estate, and (ii) *pro rata*

reimbursement of expenses (including indemnities) of the Servicer required to be paid pursuant to the Servicing Agreement; and all expenses of the Administrator, the Listing and Paying Agent, the Securities Intermediary (if not the same person as the Trustee), the accountants, any fiscal agent retained in connection with the issuance of income notes, if any, in which the primary collateral for such income notes are obligations of the Issuer, any expenses of Investor Corp. and all other administrative expenses of the Co-Issuers, each as determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date and as set forth in the related Note Valuation Report.

"Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses": With respect to any Payment Date, (i) the administrative expenses (including indemnities) or other amounts paid or payable by the Issuer during the applicable Due Period, as determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date and as set forth in the related Note Valuation Report, in excess of the amount of the Issuer Base Administrative Expenses for the corresponding period, (ii) the Trustee's administrative expenses for the Due Period relating to such Payment Date in excess of the amount provided for in the definition of Trustee Administrative Expenses and (iii) Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses for the Due Period relating to such Payment Date in excess of the amount provided for in clause (B) under "Description of the Notes—Adjusted Collateral Collections."

"LIBOR": For any Periodic Interest Accrual Period, the London interbank offered rate for three-month U.S. dollar deposits as determined by the Calculation Agent as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions" herein. LIBOR for the initial Periodic Interest Accrual Period will be determined through the use of straight-line interpolation by reference to two rates calculated in accordance with the provisions above, one of which shall be for five-month U.S. dollar deposits and the other of which shall be for six-month U.S. dollar deposits.

"LIBOR Determination Date": The second London Business Day prior to the commencement of a Periodic Interest Accrual Period.

"Loan Funding Account": An account maintained by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer into which the Issuer will be required to remit the full amount of the Issuer's commitment to make or otherwise fund draws related to any Delayed Drawdown Loans and Revolving Loans in the Portfolio Collateral.

"London Business Day": Any day on which dealings in deposits in U.S. dollars are transacted in the London interbank market.

"Majority": With respect to the Notes, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Outstanding Notes, voting as a single class; *provided* that upon the occurrence of a Default or an Event of Default under the Indenture, "Majority" shall mean the Holders of more than 50% of the Controlling Class, voting together as a single class. With respect to the Preferred Shares, the Holders of more than 50% of the Preferred Shares.

"Mandatory Redemption": An O/C Redemption or a Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption.

"Market Value": On any date of determination with respect to an item of Portfolio Collateral, any of:

(a) the average of the bid-side prices for the purchase of such item of Portfolio Collateral determined by an Approved Pricing Service that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (independent from the Servicer); or

(b) the arithmetic average of bid-side quotations for the purchase of such item of Portfolio Collateral obtained by the Servicer from three or more broker-dealers (*provided* if upon reasonable efforts of the Servicer, quotations from three broker-dealers are not available, the lower of the quotations from two broker-dealers may be used), in each case, independent from the Servicer, in the relevant market; *provided* that one such bid must be from a broker-dealer other than Bear Stearns or an Affiliate of Bear Stearns and any bid received from Bear Stearns or an Affiliate of Bear Stearns hereunder cannot be more than 10% higher than the next highest bid; and

(c) if the determinations of the broker-dealers specified in the foregoing clauses (a) or (b) are not available (as reasonably determined by the Servicer) and so long as the Servicer is subject to the Investment Advisors Act of 1940, as amended, the bid-side market value of such item of Portfolio Collateral as certified by the Servicer as consistent with reasonable and customary market practice; *provided*, that, as of any date of determination (x) no more than 5.0% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of Portfolio Collateral may have market values determined in the manner provided in this clause (c) and (y) if the item of Portfolio Collateral constitutes collateral for any other issuer or account managed by the Servicer or its Affiliates, the Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral determined pursuant to this clause (c) shall be consistent with the market value applied by the Servicer or its Affiliates for such item of Portfolio Collateral for such for such other issuers or accounts; and

(d) if the market value cannot be determined in the manner described in clause (a), (b) or (c) above, an amount equal to the Principal Balance of the Portfolio Collateral as of such date multiplied by the Applicable Percentage for such item of Portfolio Collateral; *provided*, that if the market value cannot be determined in the manner described in clause (a), (b) or (c) above for more than thirty (30) Business Days immediately following any date such market value is determined pursuant to this clause (d), then the market value of such item of Portfolio Collateral shall be automatically deemed to be zero following such thirty (30) Business Day period until the market value can be determined in the manner described in clause (a), (b) or (c) above as of any date of determination;

*provided* that (A) for purposes of determining Market Value, but subject to clause (b) hereof, Bear Stearns will be deemed to be independent from the Servicer (*provided* that any quotes received from such entity will be on an arm's-length basis); (B) the Market Value of any item of Portfolio Collateral with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment to sell but has not settled will be deemed to be the agreed sales price therefor (determined exclusive of accrued interest); and (c) the Market Value is determined only for purposes of compliance with covenants, coverage tests, overcollateralization tests, or any other requirements or tests set forth herein, or the determination of redemption prices.

"Maturity Extension": As defined under "Confidential Offering Circular Summary—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date."

"Minimum Average Recovery Rate": As described under "Security for the Notes—Criteria for Purchase and Substitution of Collateral—Collateral Quality Matrix Tests."

"Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test": As described under "Security for the Notes—Criteria for Purchase and Substitution of Collateral—Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test."

"Moody's": Moody's Investors Service, Inc. or any successor thereto.

"Moody's Asset Correlation Test" or "MAC Test": As described under "Security for the Notes—Criteria for Purchase and Substitution of Collateral—Moody's Asset Correlation Test and Weighted Average Rating Test."

"Moody's Rating": The rating determined in accordance with the methodology described in the Indenture.

"Non-Call Period": The period beginning on the Closing Date and ending on August 1, 2010.

"Non-Consenting Holder": With respect to any supplemental indenture proposed pursuant to the Indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of the Notes or the Preferred Shares, any such Holder, or, in the case of Notes or Preferred Shares in global form, any beneficial owner, that either (i) has declared in writing that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) has not consented to such supplemental indenture within 15 Business Days from the date on which the Trustee provided notice of such proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture to such Holder or beneficial owner; *provided*, that in the case of the Non-Call Period, "Non-Consenting Holder" shall exclude any Holder of Class A-1LA Notes (unless such Holder has consented in writing to be designated as a Non-Consenting Holder) and the Amendment Buy-Out Option shall not be applicable to such Class A-1LA Notes.

"Non-U.S. Obligor": An issuer of or obligor on an item of Portfolio Collateral that is located outside the United States and is not a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor.

"Note Valuation Report": With respect to each Payment Date, the report prepared by or on behalf of the Issuer in accordance with the Indenture reflecting, among other things, the Collections made during the applicable Due Period and the distributions to be made on such Payment Date.

"Notes": The Class X Notes, the A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes.

"Notional Amount": When used with respect to the Preferred Shares as of any date of determination, \$1.00 per Preferred Share.

"O/C Redemption": The redemption of a Class or Classes of the Notes other than the Class X Notes (including, with respect to the Class B-1L Notes, the applicable Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount, as described herein) to the extent necessary such that both the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test are satisfied.

"Offer": With respect to any security, (a) any offer by the issuer of such security or by any other Person made to all of the holders of such class of security to purchase or otherwise acquire all such securities (other than pursuant to any redemption in accordance with the terms of the related Underlying Instruments) or to exchange such securities for any other security or other property or (b) any solicitation by the issuer of such security or any other Person to amend, modify or waive any provision of such security or any related Underlying Instrument.

"Optional Redemption": The redemption of the Notes, in whole or in part, at the direction of a specified amount of Preferred Shares, on any Optional Redemption Date and in accordance with the terms specified herein.

"Optional Redemption Date": The Payment Date fixed by the Issuer for an Optional Redemption which shall be no earlier than the first Payment Date occurring in August 1, 2010.

"Optional Redemption Price": With respect to each Class of Notes, an amount equal to the aggregate of (i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of such Class of Notes as of the Optional Redemption Date, (ii) the applicable Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Optional Redemption Date and (iii) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payments in respect of such Notes.

For any Partial Optional Redemption, the Optional Redemption Price shall be equal to the applicable Partial Redemption Percentage of the Optional Redemption Price that would have applied for a Total Optional Redemption occurring on the applicable Optional Redemption Date.

"Original HFP Share Amount": The amount of HFP Shares acquired by the Servicer Entities on the Closing Date.

"Original Portfolio Collateral": The Portfolio Collateral, including the Initial Portfolio Collateral, purchased by the Issuer with the Deposit on or before the Effective Date and, in the case of Portfolio Loans, which will be identified by the Issuer and for which commitments will be entered into on or prior to the Effective Date for purchase on or as soon as practicable thereafter (but not scheduled to exceed sixty (60) days thereafter).

"Outstanding": With respect to the Notes, as of the date of determination, "Outstanding" refers to all Notes theretofore authenticated and delivered under the Indenture except:

- (i) Notes theretofore canceled by the Registrar or delivered (or to be delivered pursuant to the Indenture) to the Registrar for cancellation;
- (ii) Notes or portions thereof for whose payment or redemption money in the necessary amount has been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for the Holders of such Notes; *provided* that, if such Notes or

portions thereof are to be redeemed, notice of such redemption has been duly given pursuant to the Indenture or provision therefor satisfactory to the Trustee has been made;

(iii) Notes in exchange for or in lieu of which other Notes have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to the Indenture, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Notes are held by a protected purchaser; and

(iv) Notes alleged to have been mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen for which replacement Notes have been issued as provided in the Indenture;

*provided* that, in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Principal Amount have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver under the Indenture, Notes owned by or pledged to the Issuer, the Trustee or any other obligor upon the Notes or any Affiliate of the Issuer, the Trustee or of such other obligor, and solely for purposes of termination of the Servicer, the Servicer and any Affiliate thereof, shall be disregarded and deemed not to be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying upon any such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver, only Notes that a responsible officer of the Trustee has actual knowledge to be so owned or pledged shall be so disregarded.

With respect to the Preferred Shares, as of the date of determination, "Outstanding" refers to the total aggregate amount of all Class I Preferred Shares and Class II Preferred Shares issued and outstanding as indicated in the share register of the Issuer.

"Overcollateralization Haircut Amount": With respect to any date of determination, an amount equal to the sum of:

(A) the greatest of the following:

(a) the product of (i) the applicable Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage multiplied by (ii) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all CLO Securities (other than Deferred Interest PIK Bonds and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) on such date of determination that have an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating within the CCC Rating Category;

(b) the product of (i) the applicable Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage multiplied by (ii) the excess, if any, of (x) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all CLO Securities included in the pledged Portfolio Collateral (other than Deferred Interest PIK Bonds and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) on such date of determination that have an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating within the B Rating Category or an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating within the CCC Category over (y) 5.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount as of the date of the applicable Overcollateralization Test; *provided* that at no time during the period commencing on the Closing Date through the Final Maturity Date, shall the Aggregate Principal Amount of all CLO Securities exempt from haircut based on subclause (y) above exceed in the aggregate 5% of the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount; and

(c) the product of (i) the applicable Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage multiplied by (ii) the excess, if any, of (x) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all CLO Securities included in the pledged Portfolio Collateral (other than Deferred Interest PIK Bonds and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) on such date of determination that have an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating within the BB Rating Category, the B Rating Category or the CCC Rating Category over (y) 10.25% of the Aggregate Par Amount as of the date of the applicable Overcollateralization Test; *provided* that if at the date of measurement, Portfolio Loans within the CCC Rating Category is less than 6.25% of the Aggregate Par Amount, then 10.25% will be increased by the difference between 6.25% and percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount representing Portfolio Loans in the CCC Rating Category;

*provided that* for the avoidance of doubt, for purposes of clauses (a), (b) and (c) above, the applicable Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage shall always be applied first to the lowest rated Portfolio Collateral that falls within such clause, then to the next lowest rated Portfolio Collateral, etc., so that the maximum applicable haircut shall be applied to the Portfolio Collateral;

plus

(B) the product of (i) the applicable Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage multiplied by (ii) the excess, if any, of (x) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Portfolio Loans included in the pledged Portfolio Collateral (other than Deferred Interest PIK Bonds and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) on such date of determination that have an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating within the CCC Rating Category over (y) 6.25% of the Aggregate Par Amount as of the applicable Overcollateralization Test.

"Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage": (i) With respect to CLO Securities with an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating falling within the BB Rating Category, 10%, (ii) with respect to CLO Securities with an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating falling within the B Rating Category, 20%, (iii) with respect to Portfolio Loans with an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating falling within the CCC Rating Category, the greater of (x) 30% and (y) one minus the weighted average Market Value of all Portfolio Loans with an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating falling within the CCC Rating Category and (iv) with respect to CLO Securities with an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating falling within the CCC Rating Category, 50%.

"Overcollateralization Ratio": The Class A Overcollateralization Ratio or the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio, as the context may require.

"Overcollateralization Ratio Adjustment": As described under "Description of the Notes—Overcollateralization Tests."

"Overcollateralization Tests": With respect to any date of determination, tests met when the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class A Overcollateralization Percentage and the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Percentage, each relating to such date of determination.

"Partial Deferred Interest Bonds": Any debt obligation, with respect to which a portion of the interest thereon can be partially deferred without causing a payment default of such debt obligation under its underlying documents. For purposes of calculating the Weighted Average Coupon, the portion of interest that is deferrable with respect to any Partial Deferred Interest Bond will be assumed to be zero.

"Partial Optional Redemption": An Optional Redemption in part, in accordance with the terms specified herein.

"Participation": With respect to a Portfolio Loan, a participation interest in a commercial loan purchased from a Selling Institution which does not entitle the holder thereof to direct rights against the obligor.

"Paying Agent": The Trustee, the Irish Paying Agent or any other depository institution or trust company authorized by the Co-Issuers pursuant to the Indenture to pay principal of or any interest that may become payable on any Class of Notes on behalf of the Co-Issuers.

"Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement": The Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement dated as of May 10, 2006, relating to the Preferred Shares.

"Paying and Transfer Agent": JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as Paying and Transfer Agent with respect to (i) the Preferred Shares and (ii) the preferred shares issued by Investor Corp.

"Payment Date": November 1, February 1, May 1 and August 1 of each year, commencing November 1, 2006 (or if any such date is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day).

"Payment Date Equity Securities": With respect to any Payment Date, Distributable Equity Securities that the Issuer, in its sole discretion but on the advice of the Servicer, elects to distribute in lieu of cash on such Payment Date to the Holders of Preferred Shares in accordance with the terms hereof.

"Periodic Interest": With respect to each Class of Notes, interest on such Class payable on each Payment Date and accruing during each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the Applicable Periodic Rate.

"Periodic Interest Accrual Period": With respect to any Payment Date, the period commencing on the prior Payment Date (or the Closing Date in the case of the first Payment Date) and ending on the day preceding such Payment Date.

"Periodic Interest Amount": With respect to the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB and the Class X Notes and any Payment Date, the aggregate amount of interest accrued at the Applicable Periodic Rate during the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period on (i) with respect to the first Payment Date, the daily average Aggregate Principal Amount of such Class of Notes during such Periodic Interest Accrual Period, and (ii) thereafter, the Aggregate Principal Amount of such Class of Notes on the first day of such Periodic Interest Accrual Period (after giving effect to any payment of principal of such Class of Notes on such day). With respect to each other Class of Notes and any Payment Date, the aggregate amount of interest accrued at the Applicable Periodic Rate during the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period on the Aggregate Principal Amount of such Class on the first day of such Periodic Interest Accrual Period (after giving effect to any payment of principal of such Class of Notes on such date, including in connection with a redemption of a Class of Notes on any date during the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period).

"Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount": With respect to each Class of Notes and any Payment Date, any shortfall or shortfalls in the payment of the Periodic Interest Amount on such Class of Notes with respect to any preceding Payment Date or Payment Dates together with interest accrued thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate (net of all Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts, if any, paid with respect to such Class of Notes prior to such Payment Date).

"Periodic Reserve Amount": As of any date of determination, an amount equal to the sum of (i) the Trustee Administrative Expenses and Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses payable on the next succeeding Payment Date; (ii) without duplication of amounts payable pursuant to clause (i) hereof, the Issuer Base Administrative Expenses payable on the next succeeding Payment Date; (iii) the Base Fee Amount payable on the next succeeding Payment Date; (iv) the Cumulative Interest Amount for the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L and the Class A-4L Notes and the Periodic Interest Amount for the Class B-1L Notes due on the next succeeding Payment Date; and (v) the Cumulative Class X Payment due on the next succeeding Payment Date.

"Permanent Regulation S Global Note": With respect to any Class, the permanent global note issued to non-U.S. Persons in exchange for the Temporary Regulation S Global Note of such Class after the Distribution Compliance Period.

"Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor": An issuer of or obligor on an item of Portfolio Collateral that is located in (a) a Group A Country or (b)(i) a Group B Country, (ii) any tax advantaged jurisdiction (including the Cayman Islands, Netherlands Antilles, Bermuda, Ireland, Luxembourg and the Channel Islands) or (iii) any tax advantaged jurisdiction or any tax neutral or other jurisdiction subject to Moody's and S&P confirming to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer that an immediate withdrawal, reduction or other adverse action with respect to any then current rating (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes will not occur as a result of such obligor being a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor; *provided* that, with respect to the obligors of an item of Portfolio Collateral qualifying as Permitted Non-U.S. Obligors under this clause (b)(ii), at least 80% of such obligor's underlying assets must be domiciled in the United States or another Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor jurisdiction to so qualify as a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor. For purposes of this definition, the Servicer may specify the location of a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor to be the country in which at least 80% of such obligor's underlying assets are domiciled, if such assets are domiciled in the United States or another Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor jurisdiction; *provided* that the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral as to which the Servicer so specifies the location of a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor may not exceed 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount. If the location of a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor is specified by the Servicer to be in a country other than where it is domiciled in accordance with the foregoing sentence, for purposes of the concentration limitations and collateral quality tests described herein, such item of Portfolio Collateral will be considered to be domiciled in the country so specified.

"Person": Any individual, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust (including any beneficiary thereof), unincorporated organization or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

"PIK Bond": Any item of Portfolio Collateral that, pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments, permits the payment of interest thereon to be deferred and capitalized or otherwise provides that interest will accrue on such deferred interest or that issues identical securities in place of payments of interest in cash.

"Pledged Securities": On any date of determination, the Portfolio Collateral and the Eligible Investments in the Trust Estate.

"Portfolio Collateral": As described under "Security for the Notes—Portfolio Collateral—General."

"Portfolio Improvement Exchange": The disposition, during the Revolving Period, of an item of Portfolio Collateral and corresponding acquisition of one or more items of Substitute Portfolio Collateral which in the aggregate will result in (i) the collateral quality tests, the Interest Coverage Test, the Overcollateralization Tests and the other collateral criteria herein being satisfied (or bring the total Portfolio Collateral closer to compliance with any such test or limitation) or if one or more of such collateral quality tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Tests or collateral criteria is not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith would be improved and (ii) improving, on a net basis, the quality of the Portfolio Collateral as measured by such collateral quality tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Tests and collateral criteria, and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii) not causing any other collateral quality tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Tests or collateral criteria, to be violated or significantly increase the likelihood of such violation in the future.

"Portfolio Loan": Interests in commercial loans included in the Portfolio Collateral.

"Preferred Shares": The 33,200,000 Class I Preferred Shares of the Issuer, par value U.S.\$0.001 per share, and the 45,000,000 Class II Preferred Shares of the Issuer, par value U.S.\$0.001 per share, that will be issued on the Closing Date pursuant to the Issuer's Memorandum of Association and Articles of Association and any other Preferred Shares issued from time to time by the Issuer.

"Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses": With respect to any Payment Date (including without limitation the Final Maturity Date), the Paying and Transfer Agent's administrative expenses for the Due Period relating to such Payment Date.

"Premium": With respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral sold pursuant to the terms of the Indenture or called pursuant to the terms thereof, the excess of (a) the sale or call price of such item of Portfolio Collateral less any accrued interest with respect to such item of Portfolio Collateral over (b) the Aggregate Principal Amount of such item of Portfolio Collateral.

"Principal Balance": With respect to any Pledged Security, as of any date of determination, the outstanding principal amount of such Pledged Security, *provided* that (i) unless otherwise stated herein or in the Indenture, the "Principal Balance" of any Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan shall refer to the sum of the outstanding aggregate principal amount of such Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan *plus* the amount of the unfunded portion of the Issuer's commitment to make or otherwise fund advances related thereto (to the extent, and without duplication, of amounts on deposit in the Loan Funding Account available to fund such advances), (ii) the "Principal Balance" of any Synthetic Security shall be equal to (a) in the case of any Synthetic Security other than a Default Swap, the outstanding principal amount of the Reference Obligation or the notional amount of the Synthetic Security related thereto and (b) in the case of any Default Swap, the cash and the principal amount of the securities in the related Default Swap Collateral Account reduced by the amount of any payments due and payable to the Default Swap Counterparty by reason of the occurrence of one or more "credit events" or other similar circumstances to the extent such payments have not yet been made; and (iii) with respect to any item of Equity Portfolio Collateral, the "Principal Balance" shall equal zero.

"Priority of Payments": The priority of payments described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions" in this Confidential Offering Circular.



"Proposed Portfolio": As described under "Security for the Notes—S&P CDO Monitor Test."

"Purchase Agreement": The Purchase Agreement, dated the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the purchaser of the Notes identified therein.

"Purchased Accrued Interest": Interest accrued on or purchased with respect to an item of Portfolio Collateral as part of the price paid by the Issuer to acquire such item of Portfolio Collateral less any amount of Collateral Interest Collections applied by the Issuer to acquire such accrued interest at the time of purchase; *provided* that for the purchase of certain CLO Securities as of the Closing Date, such accrued interest purchased in connection therewith will not be considered Purchased Accrued Interest as set forth in the Indenture.

"Qualified Institutional Buyer": A "qualified institutional buyer" as defined in Rule 144A(a)(1) promulgated under the Securities Act.

"Qualified Purchaser": A "qualified purchaser" as defined in Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act.

"Quarterly Collateral Amount": Shall mean, with respect to any Due Period, the average of (i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of Portfolio Collateral on the first day of such Due Period and (ii) the Aggregate Principal Amount of Portfolio Collateral on the last day of such Due Period. For purposes of such amounts, Equity Portfolio Collateral and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral shall be excluded in calculating the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral.

"Rating Agencies": S&P and Moody's, collectively.

"Rating Condition": With respect to any Rating Agency and any action proposed to be taken under the Indenture, a condition that is satisfied when such Rating Agency has confirmed in writing to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer that no withdrawal, reduction or suspension with respect to any then current rating, if any, by such Rating Agency (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes will occur as a result of such proposed action.

"Rating Confirmation": Written confirmation from each of the Rating Agencies that it has not reduced or withdrawn (and not restored) the rating assigned by it on the Closing Date to any Class of Notes.

"Rating Confirmation Failure": A failure to obtain Rating Confirmation by the 35th day after the Effective Date (or if such day is not a Business Day, the succeeding Business Day).

"Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption": The redemption of a Class or Classes of Notes, as a result of a Rating Confirmation Failure.

"Record Date": With respect to any Payment Date, the Business Day immediately preceding such Payment Date; *provided, however*, that if any Definitive Notes are issued, the Record Date for such Definitive Notes shall be the fifteenth day of the calendar month preceding the month in which such Payment Date occurs.

"Reference Banks": Four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer).

"Reference Obligation": A security or other debt obligation that satisfies the definition of Portfolio Collateral other than as to payment terms; *provided that* notwithstanding the definition thereof, a Reference Obligation may be a loan (but not a participation interest in a loan, except as permitted in the Indenture).

"Reference Obligor": The obligor under a Reference Obligation.

"Registrar": The Trustee.

"Regulation S Global Notes": Temporary Regulation S Global Notes, together with the Permanent Regulation S Global Notes.

"Relevant Date": As used in the Indenture, when referring to Initial Portfolio Collateral pledged to the Trustee on the Closing Date, the Closing Date and when referring to Portfolio Collateral pledged after the Closing Date, the date of such pledge.

"Required Portfolio Collateral Amount": U.S.\$850,000,000.

"Requisite Noteholders": The Holders of at least 60% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Outstanding Notes (voting as a single class); *provided* that following the occurrence of a Default or an Event of Default under the Indenture, "Requisite Noteholders" shall mean 60% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Controlling Class, voting together as a single class. If the Person that is acting as Trustee under the Indenture is a Holder of any Note for its own account, such Person shall be excluded as a Holder for purposes of this definition in connection with the consent or approval by Noteholders of any supplemental indenture affecting the provisions thereof relating to the Trustee.

"Reserve Account": An account maintained by the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders and the other secured parties under the Indenture, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal at the direction of the Servicer.

"Reserve Amount": A portion of the proceeds from the sale of the Notes in an amount equal to US\$1,600,000 to fund a portion of the payments to be made on any Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments, or to otherwise fund any payments of interest or principal on the Notes at the direction and the sole discretion of the Servicer.

"Reset Debt Security": An item of Portfolio Collateral bearing a rate of interest that varies periodically (including, without limitation, daily) which at the time of its inclusion in the Trust Estate has a minimum rate of interest of at least 5.0% *per annum* with respect to Fixed Rate Collateral or Collateral LIBOR with respect to Floating Rate Collateral, and which minimum interest rate is not subject to adjustment on and after its inclusion in the Trust Estate, pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instrument, to a rate of interest which is lower than the rate of interest borne by such item of Portfolio Collateral on the date that such item of Portfolio Collateral was included in the Trust Estate.

"Retained Accrued Interest": Any accrued and unpaid interest with respect to any Portfolio Collateral which was not included in the purchase price for such collateral at the time of purchase.

"Revolving Loan": A Portfolio Loan that, pursuant to the Underlying Instrument or Underlying Loan and Security Agreement that governs the rights and obligations of the parties thereto, would obligate the Issuer, if the Issuer were to purchase such Portfolio Loan for inclusion in the Trust Estate, to make or otherwise fund one or more future advances to the related borrower and meets the criteria described under "Security for the Notes—Criteria for Purchase and Substitution of Collateral."

"Revolving Period": The period beginning on the Closing Date and ending on the earliest of (i) August 1, 2011 for Portfolio Loans or August 1, 2009 for CLO Securities or, in the case of an Extension, the Extended Revolving Period End Date; *provided* that Portfolio Loans and CLO Securities may be purchased for the full period of any such Extension, and (ii) the occurrence and continuance of an Event of Default; *provided* that in no event shall date of termination of the Revolving Period be determined on the basis of the Market Value of the Portfolio Collateral.

"Rule 144A Global Note": With respect to any Class, the permanent global note issued to U.S. Persons.

"Rule 3a-7": Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act.

"S&P": Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw Hill Companies, Inc. or any successor thereto.

"S&P Break-Even Default Rate": As described under "Security for the Notes—S&P CDO Monitor Test."

"S&P CDO Monitor": As described under "Security for the Notes—S&P CDO Monitor Test."

"S&P CDO Monitor Test": As described under "Security for the Notes—S&P CDO Monitor Test."

"S&P Loss Differential": As described under "Security for the Notes—S&P CDO Monitor Test."

"S&P Rating": The rating determined in accordance with the methodology described in the Indenture.

"S&P Scenario Default Rate": As described under "Security for the Notes—S&P CDO Monitor Test."

"Sale Restriction Condition": As defined under "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral."

"Scheduled Distribution": With respect to any Pledged Security, for each due date after the date of determination, the scheduled payment of principal and/or interest due on such due date with respect to such Pledged Security, determined in accordance with the assumptions set forth in the Indenture.

"Securities": The Notes and the Preferred Shares, collectively.

"Securities Act": The United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

"Selling Institution": The seller of a Participation or, if applicable, its guarantor, which has a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A2" by Moody's and at least "A" by S&P at the time such Participation is committed to be acquired by the Issuer.

"Senior Class A Notes": The Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB and the Class A-2L Notes.

"Senior Class A Overcollateralization Ratio": With respect to a determination made as of any date of calculation, the ratio (expressed as a percentage) obtained by dividing (a) the sum of (1) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate (other than items of Equity Portfolio Collateral, which shall not be included as Portfolio Collateral) as of such date, *plus* (2) the sum of the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Collection Account representing Collateral Principal Collections *plus* the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Initial Deposit Account *plus* unpaid Purchased Accrued Interest, each as of such date by (b) the sum of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Senior Class A-1L Notes (including for this purpose any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts with respect to such Class of Notes not paid when due, until such amounts, if any, are paid in full) as of such date.

"Senior Secured Loan": A loan that (i) is not (and by its terms is not permitted to become) subordinate in right of payment to any other debt for borrowed money incurred by the obligor under such loan and (ii) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under such Senior Secured Loan, which security interest or lien is not subordinate to the security interest or lien securing any other debt for borrowed money.

"Servicer": Highland Capital Management, L.P., until a successor Person becomes the manager pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement, and thereafter "Servicer" shall mean such successor Person.

"Servicer Entities": Collectively, the Servicer, entities affiliated with the Servicer or clients of the Servicer.

"Servicing Agreement": The Servicing Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Servicer, and if amended as permitted therein and in the Indenture, as so amended.

"Servicing Fee Portion": 100% minus (a) for any Payment Date prior to the two-year anniversary of the Closing Date, the Class II Preferred Share Percentage for such Payment Date and (b) for any other Payment Date, a percentage selected by the Servicer in its sole discretion.

"Special Redemption": As described under "Description of the Notes—Special Redemption."

"Substitute Portfolio Collateral": An item of Portfolio Collateral that is purchased by the Trustee as security for the Notes as described herein with the proceeds of the sale of other Portfolio Collateral.

"Supplemental Fee Amount": As described under "The Servicing Agreement—Compensation."

"Supplemental Servicing Fee": For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Supplemental Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (b) the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date.

"Suspension Trigger Event": As of any date of determination, (I) the ratio (expressed as a percentage) obtained by dividing (a) the sum of (1) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate as of such date, calculated in accordance with the Overcollateralization Ratio Adjustment less the Overcollateralization Haircut Amount, if any, plus (2) the sum of the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Collection Account, representing Collateral Principal Collections plus the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Initial Deposit Account plus unpaid Purchased Accrued Interest, each as of such date by (b) the sum of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes (including for this purpose any unpaid Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts with respect to such Classes of Notes not paid when due, until such amounts, if any, are paid in full) as of such date, is than (II) 110%.

"Synthetic Security": Any (I) U.S. dollar denominated swap transaction, security issued by a trust or similar vehicle or other asset purchased from or entered into by the Issuer with a Synthetic Security Counterparty the returns on which (as determined by the Servicer) are linked to the credit performance of a Reference Obligation, but which may provide for a different maturity, payment dates or interest rate or interest rate basis than such Reference Obligation; *provided* that, either (A) (i) such Synthetic Security will not require the Issuer to make any payment to the Synthetic Security Counterparty after the initial purchase thereof by the Issuer, (ii) the ownership of such Synthetic Security, based on the Servicer's determination (which may include consultation with counsel to the Issuer), is not expected to subject the Issuer to withholding tax, (iii) such Synthetic Security terminates on or prior to the redemption or repayment in full of the Reference Obligation, (iv) the principal amount of such Synthetic Security is equal to the principal amount of the Reference Obligation, (v) all scheduled payments made pursuant to the terms of such Synthetic Security are at a fixed or floating interest rate based on an interest rate used for borrowings or financings in domestic or international markets or are linked to the payments on one or more Reference Obligations (which payments are themselves at a fixed interest rate or such floating rate), (vi) the minimum coupon on such Synthetic Security is 6.0%, if such Synthetic Security is fixed rate, (vii) the minimum margin on such Synthetic Security is 0.60%, if such Synthetic Security is floating rate, (viii) the terms of such Synthetic Security provide that upon maturity, acceleration or any early termination of such Synthetic Security, the Synthetic Security Counterparty of such Synthetic Security must deliver the Reference Obligation or an amount greater than or equal to the then par amount of the Reference Obligation, except (a) the Issuer may accept an amount equal to the fair market value of the Reference Obligation if the Servicer chooses to terminate such Synthetic Security in connection with the sale of such Synthetic Security as Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, Defaulted Portfolio Collateral or Equity Portfolio Collateral or pursuant to the right of the Issuer to sell Portfolio Collateral which is not Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, Defaulted Portfolio Collateral or Equity Portfolio Collateral or (b) following a credit event with respect to the Reference Obligation, the Issuer may accept an amount equal to the fair market value of such Reference Obligation; *provided*, however, that this clause (viii) shall not apply to an acceleration or early termination upon the exercise of any put or call provision of the Synthetic Security or any Reference Obligation, (ix) upon the exercise of any put or call provision of the Synthetic Security or any Reference Obligation, the holder of such Synthetic Security will receive a Reference Obligation or an amount greater than or equal to the par amount of such Reference Obligation, plus, if the Reference Obligation is a bond, accrued interest, (x) such Synthetic Security will not constitute a commodity option, leverage transaction or futures contract that is subject to the jurisdiction of the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission, (xi) the acquisition of such Synthetic Security would not cause the Issuer to be "engaged in a U.S. trade or business" for Federal income tax purposes or otherwise to become subject to U.S.

corporate net income tax, (xii) the Underlying Instrument with respect to such Synthetic Security is governed by the laws of the State of New York, contains a non-petition clause and a limited recourse clause, each as against the Issuer, and is documented with a standard ISDA form master agreement, as modified by appropriate schedules and confirmations and (xiii) total payments including termination payments may not exceed the notional amount of such Synthetic Security; *provided* that if any Reference Obligation delivered pursuant to any Synthetic Security does not constitute Portfolio Collateral and would cause a breach of any concentration limitation, such Reference Obligation shall be deemed Equity Portfolio Collateral, and (B) (i) such Synthetic Security is a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or (ii) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the purchase of such Synthetic Security; *provided* further, that any Synthetic Security shall be positively indexed to the related Reference Obligation on no more than a one-to-one basis and (II) any Default Swap.

"Synthetic Security Counterparty": An entity which is required to make payments to the Issuer on a Synthetic Security to the extent that the issuer of the related Reference Obligation makes payments thereon pursuant to the terms of such Synthetic Security and any Default Swap Counterparty.

"Tax Event Redemption": As defined under "Description of the Notes—Tax Event Redemption."

"Tax Event Redemption Price": With respect to each Class of Notes an amount equal to the aggregate of (i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Notes as of the Tax Event Redemption Date and (ii) the applicable Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to each Class of Notes as of the Tax Event Redemption Date.

"Temporary Regulation S Global Note": With respect to any Class, the temporary global note issued to non-U.S. Persons in Offshore Transactions (as defined in Regulation S) in reliance on Regulation S.

"Total Optional Redemption": An Optional Redemption in whole, in accordance with the terms specified herein.

"Trust Estate": All money, instruments and other property and rights subject or intended to be subject to the lien of the Indenture including all proceeds thereof, including the Portfolio Collateral and the Accounts (subject to the prior lien of the related Default Swap Counterparty to each Default Swap Collateral Account and subject to the rights of the Default Swap Counterparty in the Default Swap Issuer Account).

"Trustee": JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as trustee under the Indenture.

"Trustee Administrative Expenses": With respect to any Payment Date (including without limitation the Final Maturity Date), fees, expenses or other amounts due or accrued and payable to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture, including fees and expenses pursuant to duties performed as collateral administrator and Paying and Transfer Agent and as paying and transfer agent of Investor Corp., *provided* such payment shall not exceed on such Payment Date one-quarter of 0.0275% of the Aggregate Par Amount as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date (such amount subject to a minimum of \$74,000 *per annum*), *plus* \$7,500 *per annum* for payments of expenses and certain other amounts specified in the Indenture.

"Underlying Instrument": With respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral, any loan participation agreement, loan assignment agreement, indenture, pooling and servicing agreement, trust agreement, instrument, or other agreement pursuant to which such item of Portfolio Collateral has been created or issued or of which the holders of such item of Portfolio Collateral are the beneficiaries, and any instrument evidencing or constituting such item of Portfolio Collateral (in the case of Portfolio Collateral evidenced by or in the form of instruments).

"Underlying Loan and Security Agreement": Any agreement (other than an Underlying Instrument) which governs the terms of or guarantees or secures the obligations represented by any Portfolio Collateral or of which the holders of such Portfolio Collateral are the beneficiaries (which in the case of a Portfolio Loan which is a Participation shall include the loan and security documentation with respect to the underlying loan).

"Unit": An item of Portfolio Collateral with a warrant, profit participation or other equity-based feature (including but not limited to convertible bonds) included as a component thereof which otherwise meets the

requirements for Portfolio Collateral; *provided* that (i) the value of such warrant, profit participation or other equity-based feature at the time of purchase, as determined by the Servicer in good faith, is less than 2% of the purchase price of such item of Portfolio Collateral and (ii) such warrant, profit participation or other equity-like feature at the time of purchase shall not, relate to or be exchangeable for, margin stock.

"USA PATRIOT Act": The Uniting and Strengthening America By Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001.

"Weighted Average Coupon": As described under "Security for the Notes—Weighted Average Coupon Test."

"Weighted Average Coupon Test": As described under "Security for the Notes—Weighted Average Coupon Test."

"Weighted Average Life": As described under "Security for the Notes—Weighted Average Life Requirement."

"Weighted Average Life Requirement": As described under "Security for the Notes—Weighted Average Life Requirement."

"Weighted Average Margin": As described under "Security for the Notes—Weighted Average Margin Test."

"Weighted Average Margin Test": As described under "Security for the Notes—Weighted Average Margin Test."

"Weighted Average Rating Test": As described under "Security for the Notes—Collateral Quality Matrix Tests."

No securities dealer, salesperson or other person has been authorized to give any information or to make any representation not contained in this Confidential Offering Circular and, if given or made, such information or representation must not be relied upon as been authorized by the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchaser. This Confidential Offering Circular does not constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy any of the securities offered hereby in any jurisdiction to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer in such jurisdiction. Neither the delivery of this Confidential Offering Circular nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that the information herein is correct as of any time subsequent to the date hereof or that there has been no change in the affairs of the Co-Issuers or the Portfolio Collateral.

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## ROCKWALL CDO LTD.

### ROCKWALL CDO (DELAWARE) CORP.

U.S.\$538,000,000 Class A-1LA Floating  
Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021

U.S.\$96,000,000 Class A-1LB Floating  
Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021

U.S.\$76,000,000 Class A-2L Floating  
Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021

U.S.\$36,500,000 Class A-3L Floating  
Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021

U.S.\$10,000,000 Class A-4L Floating  
Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021

U.S.\$21,000,000 Class B-1L Floating  
Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021

U.S.\$14,000,000 Class X Floating Rate Notes Due  
August 2013

### CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR

**Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc.**

**May 8, 2006**

## **EXHIBIT UU**



### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Attached is an electronic copy of the Offering Circular (the “Offering Circular”), dated May 8, 2006 relating to the offering by Rockwall CDO Ltd. (the “Issuer”) of 33,200,000 Class I Preferred Shares, par value U.S. \$0.001 per share, and 45,000,000 Class II Preferred Shares, par value U.S. \$0.001 per share.

No registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission. These securities are being offered pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended. This Offering Circular is confidential and will not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor will there be any sale of these securities in any jurisdiction where such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any jurisdiction.

No purchase of these securities may be made except pursuant to this Offering Circular. This Offering Circular may be transmitted electronically, but each investor in the securities should receive a printed version of the final Offering Circular prior to purchase. If you do not receive a printed version of the final Offering Circular, please contact your Initial Purchaser representative at the address provided herein.

Distribution of this electronic transmission of the Offering Circular to any person other than (a) the person receiving this electronic transmission from the Initial Purchaser on behalf of the Issuer and/or the Co-Issuer and (b) any person retained to advise the person receiving this electronic transmission with respect to the offering contemplated by the Offering Circular (each, an “Authorized Recipient”) is unauthorized. Any photocopying, disclosure or alteration of the contents of this Offering Circular, and any forwarding of a copy of this Offering Circular or any portion thereof by electronic mail or any other means to any person other than an Authorized Recipient, is prohibited. By accepting delivery of this Offering Circular, each recipient hereof agrees to the foregoing.

**CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR**

**ROCKWALL CDO LTD.**

**33,200,000 CLASS I PREFERRED SHARES, PAR VALUE U.S. \$0.001 PER SHARE**

**45,000,000 CLASS II PREFERRED SHARES, PAR VALUE U.S. \$0.001 PER SHARE**

The Class I Preferred Shares (the “**Class I Preferred Shares**”) and the Class II Preferred Shares (the “**Class II Preferred Shares**”) and, together with the Class I Preferred Shares, the “**Preferred Shares**”) will be issued by Rockwall CDO Ltd. (the “**Issuer**”), an exempted limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands. The Issuer was incorporated on June 7, 2005 and has no significant prior operating history.

INVESTORS INTERESTED IN PURCHASING PREFERRED SHARES SHOULD REVIEW THE CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR RELATING TO THE NOTES ATTACHED HERETO (THE “**NOTE OFFERING CIRCULAR**”) IN CONJUNCTION WITH THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR. Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined herein have the respective meanings specified in the Note Offering Circular.

The activities of the Issuer will be limited as described herein. The Issuer will receive all of the net proceeds of the offering of the Notes and the Preferred Shares, which will be used by the Issuer to purchase Portfolio Collateral and to pay organizational expenses and the expenses of the issuance of the Notes, the Preferred Shares and the Holding Preferred Shares (as defined below).

**As described herein, the use by the Issuer of payments received in respect of the Portfolio Collateral for the payment of dividends on the Preferred Shares or redemption of the Preferred Shares will be subordinated to the use of such payments for the payment of interest on and principal of the Notes and will be payable, with respect to any Payment Date, only after all required payments are made to the holders of the Notes, the Trustee, the Paying and Transfer Agent and the Servicer and, except as described herein, after the payment of all other fees and expenses of the Issuer required to be made on such date. The ability of the holders of the Preferred Shares to vote on matters relating to the Issuer is limited.**

No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Recipient: \_\_\_\_\_

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**For certain factors to be considered in connection with an investment in the Preferred Shares, see “Special Considerations” and “Notices to Purchasers” herein.**

There is currently no secondary market in the Preferred Shares and it is unlikely that one will develop or, if one does develop, that it will continue.

Distributions, including dividends, on the Preferred Shares will be paid solely from and to the extent of the available proceeds from the distributions on the Portfolio Collateral which is the only source of such distributions in respect of the Preferred Shares. To the extent the Portfolio Collateral is insufficient to pay dividends on or to redeem the Preferred Shares, the Issuer will have no obligation to pay any further amounts in respect of the Preferred Shares.

The Preferred Shares are being offered to “qualified institutional buyers,” as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Securities Act**”), and to certain persons in transactions outside the United States in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act each of whom is also a qualified institutional buyer. Each investor in the Preferred Shares (other than Non-U.S. Persons purchasing Preferred Shares in reliance on Regulation S) is required to be a “qualified purchaser” or “knowledgeable employee” within the meaning of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “**Investment Company Act**”). Settlement for the Preferred Shares will be made in immediately available funds.

The Preferred Shares are offered by the Issuer through Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. (“**Bear Stearns**” or the “**Initial Purchaser**”) to prospective purchasers from time to time in individually negotiated transactions at varying prices to be determined in each case at the time of sale. (See “Special Considerations—Certain Conflicts of Interest” in the Note Offering Circular.) The Preferred Shares are offered when, as and if issued by the Issuer, subject to prior sale or withdrawal, cancellation or modification of the offer without notice and subject to approval of certain legal matters by counsel and certain other conditions. See “Plan of Distribution.” It is expected that delivery of the Preferred Shares will be made on or about May 10, 2006 (the “**Closing Date**”), against payment in immediately available funds. The Preferred Shares sold to Non-U.S. Persons will be represented by one or more permanent physical share certificates in fully registered definitive form (each a “**Global Preferred Share**”), which will be deposited with a specialized depository on behalf of Euroclear Bank, S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear System (“**Euroclear**”) and Clearstream Banking société anonyme (“**Clearstream**”) on the Closing Date. Global Preferred Shares will, for purposes of trading within Euroclear and Clearstream, have a notional issue price equal to U.S. \$1 for each Preferred Share. The Preferred Shares sold to U.S. Persons will be sold and delivered in definitive registered form.

**Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc.**

This Confidential Offering Circular is dated May 8, 2006.

NOTICES TO PURCHASERS

THE PREFERRED SHARES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “SECURITIES ACT”), THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY OTHER JURISDICTION, NOR HAS THE ISSUER BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT”). THE PREFERRED SHARES MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF, U.S. PERSONS UNLESS A REGISTRATION STATEMENT WITH RESPECT THERETO IS THEN EFFECTIVE UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OR AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND OTHER APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS IS AVAILABLE. THE ISSUER IS RELYING ON AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT PURSUANT TO THE EXEMPTIONS PROVIDED IN RULE 3a-7 AND/OR SECTION 3(c)(7) UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT, AND NO TRANSFER OF PREFERRED SHARES MAY BE MADE WHICH WOULD CAUSE THE ISSUER TO BECOME SUBJECT TO THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT. THE PREFERRED SHARES ARE ALSO SUBJECT TO CERTAIN OTHER RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFER DESCRIBED HEREIN AND IN THE PAYING AGENCY AGREEMENT.

EACH PURCHASER OF PREFERRED SHARES, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE THEREOF, REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER SUCH PREFERRED SHARES EXCEPT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT AND OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS AND EXCEPT (A) IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, WHOM THE SELLER HAS INFORMED, IN EACH CASE, THAT THE RESALE, PLEDGE OR OTHER TRANSFER IS BEING MADE IN RELIANCE ON RULE 144A, PROVIDED THAT SUCH PURCHASER DELIVERS ALL DOCUMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS AS THE ISSUER OR THE PAYING AGENT MAY REASONABLY REQUEST; (B) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 903 OR 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS ALSO A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A PROVIDED THAT SUCH PURCHASER DELIVERS ALL DOCUMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS AS THE ISSUER OR THE PAYING AGENT MAY REQUEST; (C) TO THE ISSUER OR ITS AFFILIATES; OR (D) TO ANY OTHER PERSON OR ENTITY PURSUANT TO A VALID EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT PROVIDED THAT SUCH PURCHASER DELIVERS ALL DOCUMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS AS THE ISSUER OR THE PAYING AGENT MAY REQUEST, IN EACH CASE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANY APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAW OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER JURISDICTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE PAYING AGENCY AGREEMENT. IN ADDITION, THE PURCHASER OF A PREFERRED SHARE, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE THEREOF, REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER SUCH PREFERRED SHARE EXCEPT TO A NON-U.S. PERSON THAT IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION PURSUANT TO REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OR TO A “QUALIFIED PURCHASER” OR “KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEE” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER IN A TRANSACTION THAT DOES NOT CAUSE THE ISSUER TO BE REQUIRED TO REGISTER UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT.

THE PREFERRED SHARES MAY NOT BE SOLD OR TRANSFERRED TO ANY PLAN SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF THE UNITED STATES EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED (“ERISA”), OR SECTION 4975 OF THE UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE “CODE”), TO ANY PERSON ACTING ON BEHALF OF OR WITH “PLAN ASSETS” OF ANY SUCH PLAN, OR TO ANY OTHER “BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR” (AS DEFINED IN UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR REGULATION SECTION 2510.3-101(f)(2)) (A “BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR”), INCLUDING AN INSURANCE COMPANY GENERAL ACCOUNT, EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH HEREIN.

ANY SALE OR TRANSFER OF PREFERRED SHARES WHICH WOULD VIOLATE THE FOREGOING WILL BE NULL AND VOID.

THE PREFERRED SHARES ARE PART OF THE SHARE CAPITAL OF THE ISSUER AND, AS SUCH, THEIR ENTITLEMENT IS LIMITED TO THE ASSETS OF THE ISSUER AFTER PAYMENT OF ALL LIABILITIES RANKING AHEAD OF THEM ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION OF THE ISSUER AND AT LAW. ACCORDINGLY, TO THE EXTENT THE PORTFOLIO COLLATERAL IS INSUFFICIENT TO PAY DIVIDENDS ON THE PREFERRED SHARES OR TO REDEEM THE PREFERRED SHARES, THE ISSUER WILL HAVE NO OBLIGATION TO PAY ANY FURTHER AMOUNTS IN RESPECT OF THE PREFERRED SHARES.

AN INVESTMENT IN THE PREFERRED SHARES IS NOT SUITABLE FOR ALL INVESTORS AND IS APPROPRIATE ONLY FOR AN INVESTOR CAPABLE OF ANALYZING AND ASSESSING THE RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH SECURITIES SUCH AS THE PREFERRED SHARES, AND BEARING SUCH RISKS AND THE FINANCIAL CONSEQUENCES THEREOF AS THEY RELATE TO AN INVESTMENT IN THE PREFERRED SHARES.

EACH PURCHASER OF A PREFERRED SHARE BY ITS ACCEPTANCE THEREOF ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT IS USING ITS INDEPENDENT JUDGMENT IN ASSESSING THE OPPORTUNITIES AND RISKS PRESENTED BY THE PREFERRED SHARES FOR ITS INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO AND IN DETERMINING WHETHER THE ACQUISITION IS SUITABLE AND COMPLIES WITH SUCH PURCHASER'S INVESTMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES.

EXCEPT AS SET FORTH IN THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR, NO PERSON IS AUTHORIZED TO GIVE ANY INFORMATION OR TO MAKE ANY REPRESENTATION NOT CONTAINED IN THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR AND, IF GIVEN OR MADE, SUCH INFORMATION OR REPRESENTATION MUST NOT BE RELIED UPON. THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO SELL OR THE SOLICITATION OF AN OFFER TO BUY ANY OF THE PREFERRED SHARES OFFERED HEREBY IN ANY JURISDICTION TO ANY PERSON TO WHICH IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE SUCH OFFER IN SUCH JURISDICTION NOR TO ANY PERSON WHO HAS NOT RECEIVED A COPY OF EACH CURRENT AMENDMENT OR SUPPLEMENT HERETO, IF ANY.

THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR IS FURNISHED ON A CONFIDENTIAL BASIS SOLELY FOR THE PURPOSE OF EVALUATING THE INVESTMENT OFFERED HEREBY. THE INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN MAY NOT BE REPRODUCED OR USED IN WHOLE OR IN PART FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSE. THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR SHOULD BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE NOTE OFFERING CIRCULAR.

THE PREFERRED SHARES ARE BEING OFFERED ONLY TO A LIMITED NUMBER OF INVESTORS THAT ARE WILLING AND ABLE TO CONDUCT AN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION OF THE CHARACTERISTICS OF THE PREFERRED SHARES AND RISKS OF OWNERSHIP OF THE PREFERRED SHARES. IT IS EXPECTED THAT PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN THIS OFFERING WILL CONDUCT AN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION OF THE RISKS POSED BY AN INVESTMENT IN THE PREFERRED SHARES. REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ISSUER AND THE SERVICER WILL BE AVAILABLE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE ISSUER, THE PREFERRED SHARES AND THE PORTFOLIO COLLATERAL AND WILL, UPON REQUEST, MAKE AVAILABLE SUCH OTHER INFORMATION AS INVESTORS MAY REASONABLY REQUEST. THE NOTE OFFERING CIRCULAR CONTAINS CERTAIN INFORMATION CONCERNING THE NOTES, THE ISSUER AND THE ISSUER'S ASSETS (INCLUDING THE PORTFOLIO COLLATERAL). INVESTORS INTERESTED IN PURCHASING THE PREFERRED SHARES ARE STRONGLY URGED TO REVIEW THE NOTE OFFERING CIRCULAR, WHICH IS ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT A.

THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR IS NOT INTENDED TO FURNISH LEGAL, REGULATORY, TAX, ACCOUNTING, INVESTMENT OR OTHER ADVICE TO ANY PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER OF THE PREFERRED SHARES. THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR (INCLUDING THE NOTE OFFERING CIRCULAR ATTACHED HERETO) SHOULD BE REVIEWED BY EACH PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER AND ITS LEGAL, REGULATORY, TAX, ACCOUNTING, INVESTMENT AND OTHER ADVISORS.

NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED AGREEMENT TO THE CONTRARY, THE ISSUER, THE SERVICER, THE PAYING AND TRANSFER AGENT, THE TRUSTEE AND EACH RECIPIENT HEREOF AGREE THAT EACH OF THEM AND EACH OF THEIR EMPLOYEES, REPRESENTATIVES, AND OTHER AGENTS MAY DISCLOSE, IMMEDIATELY UPON COMMENCEMENT OF DISCUSSIONS, TO ANY AND ALL PERSONS, WITHOUT LIMITATION OF ANY KIND, THE TAX TREATMENT AND TAX STRUCTURE OF THE TRANSACTION AND ALL MATERIALS OF ANY KIND (INCLUDING OPINIONS OR OTHER TAX ANALYSES) THAT ARE PROVIDED TO ANY OF THEM RELATING TO SUCH TAX TREATMENT AND TAX STRUCTURE, EXCEPT WHERE CONFIDENTIALITY IS REASONABLY NECESSARY TO COMPLY WITH U.S. FEDERAL OR STATE SECURITIES LAWS.

INVESTORS WHOSE INVESTMENT AUTHORITY IS SUBJECT TO LEGAL RESTRICTIONS SHOULD CONSULT THEIR OWN LEGAL ADVISORS TO DETERMINE WHETHER AND TO WHAT EXTENT THE PREFERRED SHARES CONSTITUTE LEGAL INVESTMENTS FOR THEM.

THE INITIAL PURCHASER AND THE CO-ISSUERS: (A) HAVE ONLY COMMUNICATED OR CAUSED TO BE COMMUNICATED AND WILL ONLY COMMUNICATE OR CAUSE TO BE COMMUNICATED ANY INVITATION OR INDUCEMENT TO ENGAGE IN INVESTMENT ACTIVITY (WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 21 OF THE FINANCIAL SERVICES AND MARKETS ACT 2000 ("FSMA")) RECEIVED BY THEM IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUE OR SALE OF ANY OFFERED SECURITIES IN CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH SECTION 21(1) OF THE FSMA DOES NOT APPLY TO THE ISSUER; AND (B) HAVE COMPLIED AND WILL COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE FSMA WITH RESPECT TO ANYTHING DONE BY THEM IN RELATION TO THE OFFERED SECURITIES IN, FROM OR OTHERWISE INVOLVING THE UNITED KINGDOM.

NO INVITATION MAY BE MADE TO THE PUBLIC IN THE CAYMAN ISLANDS TO SUBSCRIBE FOR THE PREFERRED SHARES.

NEITHER THE FACT THAT A REGISTRATION STATEMENT OR AN APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE HAS BEEN FILED UNDER CHAPTER 421-B OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE REVISED STATUTES WITH THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE NOR THE FACT THAT A SECURITY IS EFFECTIVELY REGISTERED OR A PERSON IS LICENSED IN THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CONSTITUTES A FINDING BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE THAT ANY DOCUMENT FILED UNDER RSA 421-B IS TRUE, COMPLETE AND NOT MISLEADING. NEITHER ANY SUCH FACT NOR THE FACT THAT AN EXEMPTION OR EXCEPTION IS AVAILABLE FOR A SECURITY OR A TRANSACTION MEANS THAT THE SECRETARY OF STATE HAS PASSED IN ANY WAY UPON THE MERITS OR QUALIFICATIONS OF OR RECOMMENDED OR GIVEN APPROVAL TO, ANY PERSON, SECURITY OR TRANSACTION. IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE, OR CAUSE TO BE MADE, TO ANY PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER, CUSTOMER, OR CLIENT ANY REPRESENTATION INCONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PARAGRAPH.

THE PAYING AGENT AND ITS AFFILIATES HAVE NOT PARTICIPATED IN THE PREPARATION OF THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR AND DO NOT ASSUME ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR ITS CONTENTS.

#### *AVAILABLE INFORMATION*

To permit compliance with Rule 144A under the Securities Act for transfers of the Preferred Shares, the Issuer will make available to investors and prospective investors in the Preferred Shares who request such information, the information required to be delivered under Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act, if at the time of the request the Issuer is not a reporting company under Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “**Exchange Act**”), or is not exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act. The Issuer does not expect to become such a reporting company or to be so exempt from reporting.

## SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

An investment in the Preferred Shares may be affected by the following factors, as well as the factors described under “Special Considerations” in the Note Offering Circular. In order to fully understand the structure and characteristics of the Preferred Shares, and the potential merits and risks of an investment in the Preferred Shares, potential investors must review and be familiar with the Note Offering Circular, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as an integral part hereof, as well as the Indenture to be dated as of the Closing Date between the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association as trustee (the “**Indenture**”). In particular the Note Offering Circular contains a description of the related Portfolio Collateral, the priority of distributions on the Notes and the Preferred Shares.

1. Limited Cash Flow Available to the Issuer. The Issuer has pledged substantially all of its assets to secure the Notes. Such assets will only be available to the Issuer to make payments on the Preferred Shares as and when released from the lien of the Indenture. Although the scheduled payments of principal and interest on the Portfolio Collateral are expected to exceed the amounts required to pay principal of and interest due on the Notes, failure to satisfy any of the Overcollateralization Tests, the Interest Coverage Test or the application of the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement may result in temporary or permanent diversion of all or a portion of the amounts otherwise payable to the Issuer as Excess Cash Flow (as defined under “Description of the Preferred Shares—Distributions” herein). Furthermore, there can be no assurance that payments of principal of and interest on, and other proceeds from, the Portfolio Collateral and the other collateral making up the Trust Estate will continue to exceed required fees and expenses and payments of principal and interest on the Notes and be sufficient to provide Excess Cash Flow. The amount and frequency of distributions of Excess Cash Flow to the Issuer will depend on, among other things: (i) the purchase rate in respect of new Portfolio Collateral, (ii) the level of LIBOR, (iii) returns with respect to Eligible Investments in which funds held in the accounts of the Issuer may be temporarily held, (iv) the extent to which the Portfolio Collateral pledged to secure the Notes becomes Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, is subject to scheduled payments of principal, or is retired prior to the stated maturity of the Notes through mandatory or optional redemption, sale, maturity or other liquidation or disposition and (v) the extent to which Substitute Portfolio Collateral is available for purchase in accordance with the criteria described herein. See “Description of the Notes” in the Note Offering Circular. Such Excess Cash Flow would constitute the only assets available to the Issuer as a source for payment of amounts payable in respect of the Preferred Shares prior to the payment in full of the Notes.

2. Subordination of the Preferred Shares. Distributions on the Preferred Shares are fully subordinated to payments on the Notes and to payment of the Trustee Administrative Expenses, Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses, Issuer Base Administrative Expenses, Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses and the amounts owing to the Servicer, each as described more fully herein and in the Note Offering Circular. No distributions of Excess Cash Flow will be made to the Issuer on any Payment Date for distribution to holders of Preferred Shares until all senior obligations due on such date have been paid in full. See “Description of the Notes—Payment on the Notes; Priority of Distributions” in the Note Offering Circular. In addition, in case of an Event of Default under the Indenture, as long as any Notes are outstanding, the holders of such Notes will be entitled to determine the remedies to be exercised under the Indenture. Remedies pursued by the holders of Notes would likely adversely affect the interests of holders of Preferred Shares. On a winding up of the Issuer, holders of the Preferred Shares will rank after all creditors, secured and unsecured, of the Issuer and the holders of ordinary shares. In addition, Class II Preferred Share Dividends, which are generally senior to other payments by the Issuer, will be paid to the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares.

3. Equity Status of the Preferred Shares. The Preferred Shares are equity in the Issuer and are not secured by the Portfolio Collateral or any other Collateral securing the Notes. As such, the Holders of the Preferred Shares will rank behind all of the creditors, whether secured or unsecured and known or unknown, of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the Holders of the Notes and the Servicer. No person or entity other than the Issuer will be required to make any distributions on the Preferred Shares. Except with respect to the obligations of the Issuer to make payments pursuant to the priority of payments set forth in the Indenture and more fully described in the Note Offering Circular, the Issuer does not expect to have any creditors. Any amounts paid by the Paying and Transfer Agent as dividends or other distributions on the Preferred Shares in accordance with the priority of payments set forth in the Indenture and more fully described in the Note Offering Circular will be payable only to the extent of the Issuer's distributable profits and/or share premium determined in accordance with Cayman Islands law. In addition, such distributions will be payable only to the extent that the Issuer is solvent on the applicable Payment Date and the Issuer will not be insolvent after such distributions are paid. Under Cayman Islands law, a company is generally deemed to be solvent if it is able to pay its debts as they fall due.

To the extent the requirements under Cayman Islands law described in the preceding paragraph are not met, amounts otherwise payable to the Holders of the Preferred Shares will be retained in an account with the Paying and Transfer Agent (the “**Preferred Shares Collection Account**”) until, in the case of any payment by way of dividend, the next succeeding Payment Date or (in the case of any payment which would otherwise be payable on a redemption date of the Preferred Shares) the next succeeding Business Day on which the Issuer notifies the Paying and Transfer Agent that such requirements are met and, in the case of any payment on redemption of the Preferred Shares, the next succeeding Business Day on which the Issuer notifies the Paying and Transfer Agent that such requirements are met. Amounts on deposit in the Preferred Shares Collection Account will not be available to pay amounts due to the Holders of the Notes, the Trustee or any other creditor of the Issuer whose claim is limited in recourse to the Portfolio Collateral. However, amounts on deposit in the Preferred Shares Collection Account may be subject to the claims of creditors of the Issuer that have not contractually limited their recourse to the Portfolio Collateral. The Indenture and the Paying Agency Agreement will limit the Issuer's activities to the issuance and sale of the Notes, the Preferred Shares and ordinary shares, the acquisition and disposition of the Portfolio Collateral, the acquisition and disposition of the Eligible Investments and the other activities related to the issuance and the sale of the Notes and the Preferred Shares described under “The Issuer” herein. The Issuer does not expect to have any significant full recourse liabilities that would be payable out of amounts on deposit in the Preferred Shares Collection Account.

4. Restrictions on Transfer. The Preferred Shares have not been registered under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Securities Act**”), or under any U.S. state securities or “Blue Sky” laws or the securities laws of any other jurisdiction and are being issued and sold in reliance upon exemptions from registration provided by such laws. The Preferred Shares are extremely illiquid. There is no market for the Preferred Shares offered hereby (and none is likely to develop) and, as a result, a holder of the Preferred Shares may find it difficult or uneconomic to liquidate its investment at any particular time. In addition, there are restrictions on transfer of the Preferred Shares. See “Description of the Preferred Shares—Restrictions on Transfer” herein.

5. The Issuer. The Issuer was formed on June 7, 2005 and has no significant prior operating history. The Issuer has no significant assets other than the Trust Estate. The Issuer will not engage in any business activity other than the co-issuance of the Notes and the issuance of the Preferred Shares and the ordinary shares as described herein, the acquisition and disposition of Portfolio Collateral as described herein and in the Note Offering Circular, certain activities conducted in connection with the payment of amounts in respect of the Notes and the Preferred Shares and other activities incidental to the foregoing. Income derived from the Trust Estate will be the Issuer's principal source of cash. The Issuer is an



exempted limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands. Because the Issuer is a Cayman Islands company and its directors may reside in the Cayman Islands, it may not be possible for investors to effect service of process within the United States on such persons or to enforce against them or against the Issuer in United States courts judgments predicated upon the civil liability provisions of the United States securities laws. None of the directors, security holders, members, officers or incorporators of the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Trustee, any of their respective affiliates or any other person or entity (other than the Issuer) will be obligated to make payments on the Notes or the Preferred Shares.

6. Potential Conflicts of Interest. It is expected that Highland Financial Partners, L.P. or an affiliate or subsidiary thereof (“**HFP**”) will purchase approximately 45,000,000 of the Class II Preferred Shares of the Issuer on the Closing Date, representing approximately 58% of the total Preferred Shares outstanding (the “**Original HFP Share Amount**”). It is also expected that Highland will purchase approximately 10,000,000 of the preferred shares of Investors Corp. and approximately U.S.\$2,000,000 Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes on the Closing Date. In addition, the Servicer, entities affiliated with the Servicer or clients of the Servicer (collectively, the “**Servicer Entities**”) may also acquire Notes or Preferred Shares upon the occurrence of an Amendment Buy-Out or a Maturity Extension as described herein. The interests of the Holders of the Preferred Shares and the Class B-1L Notes that are Servicer Entities, or any other Notes owned by the Servicer Entities, may be different from or adverse to the interests of the Holders of the other Notes and Preferred Shares. As the result of the ownership of Preferred Shares and Notes by the Servicer Entities, and the ability to vote the Preferred Shares and the Notes owned by the Servicer Entities up to a maximum amount equal to the Original HFP Share Amount, the affirmative vote or approval of the Preferred Shares owned by such Servicer Entities, may be required in order to cause an Optional Redemption or a Tax Redemption of the Notes. Preferred Shares owned or controlled by the Servicer Entities above the Original HFP Share Amount will be excluded from voting on certain matters including any Optional Redemption.

In addition to the Base Servicing Fee, the Servicer is entitled to receive an Additional Servicing Fee and an Supplemental Servicing Fee (if any) after all other distributions (other than certain distributions with respect to the Preferred Shares and certain administrative expenses) are made, which is dependent in large part on the performance of the securities purchased by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer. This could create an inducement for the Servicer to service the Issuer's assets in such a manner as to seek to maximize the return on such securities. This could result in increasing the volatility of the Portfolio Collateral and could contribute to a decline in the aggregate value of the Portfolio Collateral. However, the Servicer's servicing of the Issuer's assets is restricted by the requirement that it comply with the restrictions described in “Security for the Notes” and by its internal policies with respect to the management of securities accounts.

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise from the overall activity of the Servicer, its affiliates and their respective clients. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

Certain Holders of the Notes and certain Holders of the Preferred Shares may be clients of the Servicer or one of its affiliates. Certain clients of the Servicer and its affiliates may invest in securities that would be appropriate for inclusion in the Trust Estate. Further, the Servicer currently serves and may in the future serve as servicer, collateral manager or the equivalent for other issuers of collateralized debt obligations, including collateralized debt obligation vehicles having objectives similar to those of the Issuer. The Servicer and its affiliates may make asset management decisions for its clients and affiliates that may be different from those made by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer. The Servicer and its affiliates may also have ongoing relationships with, and may own or invest assets of their clients in, equity securities issued by issuers of Portfolio Collateral. In addition, affiliates and clients of the Servicer

may invest in securities that are senior to, or have interests different from or adverse to, the securities included in the Trust Estate. An affiliate of the Servicer may earn fees with respect to financial advisory services rendered to companies in connection with workouts or the subsequent restructuring of such companies. Such fees and advice may continue for a period of time after any such workout or restructure. The Issuer may own an interest in the securities of such companies.

The Amendment Buy-Out will increase the ability of the Servicer to affect or influence the amendment process under the Indenture and will limit any Holder's ability to vote against an amendment or affect or influence the amendment process with respect to the Indenture.

If the Servicer elects to extend the Revolving Period and the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Holders of the Notes and the Preferred Shares may either be required to hold their Notes and Preferred Shares for a significantly longer period of time or be forced to sell their Notes and Preferred Shares for the applicable purchase price under the Indenture, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Notes and Preferred Shares.

In addition to acting as Servicer to the Issuer, Highland Capital Management will act as manager for HFP, which will, on the Closing Date, purchase all of the Class II Preferred Shares. Because Highland Capital Management will receive both a servicing fee from the Issuer for servicing the Portfolio Collateral and a management fee from HFP for managing HFP's assets, which will include the Class II Preferred Shares (and therefor a residual interest in the Portfolio Collateral), Highland Capital Management has agreed, in connection with the capital raising of HFP, to waive a portion of its servicing fees from the Issuer for two years following the Closing Date so as not to reduce the return on investment realized by HFP in respect of the Class II Preferred Shares. Thereafter Highland Capital Management may at its discretion continue to waive such portion of its servicing fees or may elect to receive such servicing fees in their entirety. Accordingly, during the first two years following the Closing Date, a portion (representing the percentage ownership of the Preferred Shares represented by the Class II Preferred Shares, which will initially be owned entirely by HFP) of the amounts that would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as a servicing fee will instead be payable on the Class II Preferred Shares as the Class II Preferred Share Dividends in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Thereafter, the Servicer may elect to continue to waive such same portion of the amounts that would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as a servicing fee, or any lesser portion of such amounts, and have such amounts be paid instead as the Class II Preferred Share Dividends. The Class II Preferred Shares and the Class I Preferred Shares will vote together as a single class and the existence of the Class II Preferred Share Dividends may cause HFP to have interests different from the holders of the Class I Preferred Shares..

For a further description of certain conflicts of interest with respect to the Servicer, Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., and their respective affiliates and clients, see "Special Considerations—Potential Conflicts of Interest" in the Note Offering Circular.

7. Certain Tax Considerations. Investors in the Preferred Shares should review carefully the tax considerations set forth in "Certain Tax Considerations" and "Cayman Islands Taxation" herein.

8. Certain ERISA Considerations. Investors in the Preferred Shares should review carefully the ERISA considerations set forth in "Certain ERISA Considerations" herein.

9. Servicer Affiliates Reliance of Rule 3a-7; Potential Indenture Amendments. HFP, will, on the Closing Date, purchase all of the Class II Preferred Shares. The Servicer will act as the manager for HFP. HFP and Highland Financial Trust, the owner of substantially all of the limited partnership interests of HFP, are relying on an exception from the definition of investment company and the requirement to register under the Investment Company Act that in turn depends, in part, upon the Issuer not being an

investment company required to register under the Investment Company Act by reason of Rule 3a-7 thereunder. It is expected that, in connection with certain capital raising activities of Highland Financial Trust, the SEC may consider the applicability of Rule 3a-7 to the Issuer. If it were determined that the Issuer cannot rely on Rule 3a-7, the Servicer may cause the Issuer to amend the Indenture without the consent of the Holders of the Notes and without the consent of the Holders of the Preferred Shares to enable the Issuer to rely on Rule 3a-7, which could require additional limitations and prohibitions on the circumstances under which the Issuer may sell assets, on the type of assets that the Issuer may acquire out of the proceeds of assets that mature, are refinanced or otherwise sold, on the period during which such transactions may occur, on the level of transactions that may occur or on other provisions of the Indenture and could adversely affect the earnings of the Issuer and its ability to make payments on the Notes and distributions to the Preferred Shares. As a condition to the effectiveness of any such amendment to the Indenture, the Issuer, the Trustee and the Initial Purchaser will (i) satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to such amendment and (ii) receive a customary, unqualified opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such amendment and assuming compliance with the Indenture as so amended, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act. Such nationally recognized law firm may also be acting as counsel to the Servicer, certain Holders of Notes and/or Preferred Shares. The interests of any such parties may not coincide with the interest of other Holders of Notes and/or Preferred Shares. See "Legal Structure—The Indenture—Modification of Indenture" in the Note Offering Circular.

10. Legislation and Regulations In Connection With the Prevention of Money Laundering. The Uniting and Strengthening America By Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the "**USA PATRIOT Act**"), signed into law on and effective as of October 26, 2001, imposes anti-money laundering obligations on different types of financial institutions, including banks, broker-dealers and investment companies. The USA PATRIOT Act requires the Secretary of the United States Department of the Treasury (the "**Treasury**") to prescribe regulations to define the types of investment companies subject to the USA PATRIOT Act and the related anti-money laundering obligations. It is not clear whether the Treasury will require entities such as the Issuer to enact anti-money laundering policies. It is possible that the Treasury will promulgate regulations requiring the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchaser or other service providers to the Co-Issuers, in connection with the establishment of anti-money laundering procedures, to share information with governmental authorities with respect to investors in the Notes and/or the Preferred Shares. Such legislation and/or regulations could require the Co-Issuers to implement additional restrictions on the transfer of the Notes and/or the Preferred Shares. As may be required, the Issuer reserves the right to request such information and take such actions as are necessary to enable it to comply with the USA PATRIOT Act.

11. Emerging Requirements of the European Union. As part of the harmonization of transparency requirements, the European Commission is scheduled to adopt a directive known as the Transparency Obligations Directive that, among other things, will regulate issuers of securities that are offered to the public or admitted to trading on a European Union regulated market. The listing of the Preferred Shares on any European Union stock exchange would subject the Issuer to regulation under this directive, although the requirements applicable to the Issuer are not yet fully clarified. The Indenture will not require the Issuer to apply for, list or maintain a listing for any Class of Notes or the Preferred Shares on a European Union stock exchange if compliance with this directive (or other requirements adopted by the European Commission or a relevant member state) becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer. Should the Preferred Shares be delisted from any exchange, the ability of the holders of such Preferred Shares to sell such Preferred Shares in the secondary market may be negatively affected.

## THE ISSUER

The issuer of the Preferred Shares is Rockwall CDO Ltd., an exempted limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the “**Issuer**”). The Issuer has been established to acquire a diversified portfolio of commercial loans (and participations therein) and to a limited extent, high yield corporate and other debt obligations and synthetic securities, as more fully described in the Note Offering Circular. See “Security for the Notes” in the Note Offering Circular. The Issuer’s authorized share capital is U.S.\$600,250 and consists of 250 ordinary shares of U.S.\$1.00 par each, 300,000,000 Class I Preferred Shares of U.S.\$0.001 par each and 300,000,000 Class II Preferred Shares of U.S.\$0.001 par each. The activities of the Issuer will be limited to (i) the issuance of the Preferred Shares and its ordinary shares, (ii) the acquisition of the Portfolio Collateral and other assets permitted by the Indenture among the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as trustee and as securities intermediary, (iii) the ownership of 100% of the capital stock of the Co-Issuer, and (iv) other activities incidental to the foregoing and permitted by the Indenture. For a more complete discussion of the Issuer, see “The Issuer and the Co-Issuer” in the Note Offering Circular.

## DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED SHARES

### General

The Issuer will issue 33,200,000 Class I Preferred Shares, par value U.S. \$0.001 per share (the “**Class I Preferred Shares**”) and 45,000,000 Class II Preferred Shares, par value U.S. \$0.001 per share (the “**Class II Preferred Shares**” and, together with the Class I Preferred Shares, the “**Preferred Shares**”). The Preferred Shares will be entitled to all distributions made from the Portfolio Collateral after payment of all prior amounts in accordance with the priority of payments set out in the Indenture and more fully described in the Note Offering Circular.

The Issuer will appoint an off-shore Paying and Transfer Agent (in addition to and not in lieu of JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association) if requested by at least 33-2/3% of the Preferred Shares, the cost of such agent to be borne by the Issuer. There can be no assurance that any investor requesting payment from an off-shore paying agent will receive payments on the same day that they would have had the payments been made by JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association.

The Preferred Shares will be issued pursuant to the Articles of Association of the Issuer (the “**Articles**”) and certain resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Issuer passed on or prior to the issue of the Preferred Shares as memorialized in the board minutes relating thereto (the “**Resolutions**”) and distributions made thereon will be made pursuant to the Paying Agency Agreement, to be dated as of the Closing Date (the “**Paying Agency Agreement**”), between the Issuer and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as the Paying and Transfer Agent thereunder (in such capacity, the “**Paying Agent**”). The Notes will be issued pursuant to the Indenture.

The assets of the Issuer are expected to be limited to the Portfolio Collateral having the characteristics described in the Note Offering Circular under “Security for the Notes” and the Trust Estate described therein, all of which, pursuant to the Indenture, will be pledged to secure the Notes. The Preferred Shares are entitled to receive distributions only to the extent monies are released therefor from the lien of the Indenture, as described herein and in the Note Offering Circular, and distributions are only payable out of profits of the Issuer and/or its share premium, being the difference between the issue price for the shares and their par value, and to the extent that the Issuer is able to pay its debts as they fall due in the ordinary course of business immediately following such payments.

Form and Denomination

Except with respect to Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., the minimum number of Preferred Shares that may be purchased or transferred will be 200,000 and integral multiples of 1 share in excess thereof.

Upon issuance, the Preferred Shares sold to Non-U.S. Persons (as defined in Regulation S) under the Securities Act (each, a “**Non-U.S. Person**”) that are also Qualified Institutional Buyers in Offshore Transactions (as defined in Regulation S) in reliance on Regulation S, initially will be represented by one or more permanent physical share certificates in fully registered definitive form (each a “**Global Preferred Share**”), which will be deposited with a specialized depository on behalf of Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of The Euroclear System (“**Euroclear**”) and Clearstream Banking, société anonyme (“**Clearstream**”).

Subject to the receipt by the Paying Agent of a certificate in the form similar to the one provided by the Paying Agency Agreement from the person holding such interest, a beneficial interest in each Global Preferred Share may be transferred prior to the expiration of a one-year period beginning on the later of the Closing Date or on the day on which the offer of the Preferred Shares is completed (the “**Distribution Compliance Period**”), only to (i) a Non-U.S. Person who certifies that it is not a U.S. Person and is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is not acquiring an interest in the Global Preferred Share for the account or benefit of any U.S. Person or (ii) after the Distribution Compliance Period, to a U.S. Person who certifies that it is a qualified institutional buyer (a “**Qualified Institutional Buyer**”) as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act, and in each case only to a purchaser who is also a “qualified purchaser” or “knowledgeable employee” within the meaning of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act, but only if such purchaser takes in the form of a Restricted Preferred Share (as defined below) registered in the name of such person.

Subject to the receipt by the Paying Agent of a certificate in the form similar to the one provided by the Paying Agency Agreement from the person holding such interest, a holder of a Restricted Preferred Share (as such term is defined below) who is a U.S. Person may at any time transfer its interest in such Preferred Share only (a) to a Non-U.S. Person pursuant to Regulation S who is also a “qualified institutional buyer” within the meaning of Rule 144A under the Securities Act or (b) to a “qualified institutional buyer” within the meaning of Rule 144A under the Securities Act, in each case in transactions not requiring registration under the Securities Act, and in the case of clause (b), only to a transferee who is also a “qualified purchaser” or “knowledgeable employee” within the meaning of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act.

Upon deposit of the Global Preferred Share with the specialized depository, Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, will credit each purchaser (or its agent or custodian) with the number of Preferred Shares for which it has paid. The holder of the Global Preferred Share will be the only entity entitled to receive payments in respect of the Preferred Shares represented by such Global Preferred Share, and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the holder of such Global Preferred Shares in respect of each amount so paid. Each of the persons shown in the records of Euroclear as the holder of Global Preferred Shares must look solely to Euroclear, for its share of each payment so made by the Issuer to, or to the order of, the holder of such Global Preferred Shares. No person other than the holder of the Global Preferred Shares shall have any claim against the Issuer in respect of any payments due on the Global Preferred Shares.

Payments on the Global Preferred Shares will be made pursuant to certain procedures established between the Paying Agent, the specialized depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as the case may be. All such payments will be made by wire transfer to a United States dollar account maintained by such holder with a bank outside the United States.

Global Preferred Shares will, for purposes of trading within Euroclear and Clearstream, have a notional issue price equal to U.S. \$1 for each Preferred Share.

Definitive Preferred Share certificates, in fully registered form (“**Definitive Preferred Shares**”) will be issued and exchanged for each Global Preferred Share within 30 days of the occurrence of any of the following: (i) either Euroclear or Clearstream is closed for business for a continuous period of 14 days (other than by reason of holiday, statutory or otherwise) or announces an intention permanently to cease business and no alternative clearance system satisfactory to the Paying Agent is available, (ii) as a result of any amendment to, or change in, the laws or regulations of Cayman Islands or of any authority therein or thereof having power to tax or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations which becomes effective on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer or the Paying Agent are or will be required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Preferred Shares which would not be required were the Preferred Shares in definitive registered form, or (iii) the Issuer so elects by notice to the Preferred Shareholders in accordance with the Paying Agency Agreement and Euroclear or Clearstream, as applicable, does not object.

The Preferred Shares sold in the United States to Qualified Institutional Buyers who are U.S. Persons will be represented, on issue, by definitive fully registered Preferred Share certificates bearing the appropriate legend (“**Restricted Preferred Shares**”).

Payments on the Definitive Preferred Shares and Restricted Preferred Shares will be made pursuant to certain procedures established by the Paying Agent. All such payments on such Preferred Shares will be made by wire transfer to a United States dollar account maintained by such holder.

Under the terms of the Paying Agency Agreement, the Paying Agent will be the initial paying agent with respect to the Preferred Shares. The Issuer may not appoint a paying agent with respect to the Preferred Shares within the United States. Payments of dividends on the Preferred Shares and redemption payments will be made from funds available in the Collection Account and released to the Paying Agent by the Trustee under the Indenture and will only be payable if the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium. All interest and principal payments on the Portfolio Collateral will be deposited directly into the Collection Account and, together with any income thereon, will be available for payments first to certain expenses and the Notes and then to the Preferred Shares to the extent that the Issuer is and remains solvent after such payments are made. Under Cayman Islands law, a company is generally deemed to be solvent if it is able to pay its debts as they fall due.

#### Status of Preferred Shares

The Preferred Shares are part of the share capital of the Issuer and, as such, their entitlement is limited to the assets of the Issuer after payment of all liabilities ranking ahead of them according to the Articles and at law.

The Articles, in conjunction with the Resolutions, provide for payments of dividends and capital on redemption of the Preferred Shares and any payments on liquidation of the Issuer to rank after payments due on the Notes (other than certain amounts constituting the Class II Preferred Share Dividend which will be senior to payments on the Notes), and, except as described in the Note Offering Circular under “Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions,” after the payment of fees and expenses.

The Preferred Shares are entitled to receive the Excess Cash Flow, including in the case of the Class II Preferred Shares, the Class II Preferred Share Dividend. As a matter of Cayman Islands law, on a liquidation of the Issuer, the holders of the Preferred Shares will rank after all other creditors, both secured and unsecured, of the Issuer and holders of the ordinary shares.

### Distributions

On each Payment Date and on the Final Maturity Date, the Paying Agent, on behalf of the holders of the Preferred Shares, will be entitled to receive from the Trustee (for payment to the holders of the Preferred Shares as a dividend or, on the Final Maturity Date, to redeem the Preferred Shares pursuant to the Paying Agency Agreement and in accordance with the Articles) all cash remaining after payment by the Trustee of all distributions which take priority over payments to the Issuer (including any Class II Preferred Share Dividend) described in detail in the Note Offering Circular under “Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions,” if any, from the Collection Account (such remaining cash, if any, the “**Excess Cash Flow**”).

### Priority of Distributions

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will be entitled to receive any Excess Cash Flow as described in detail in the Secured Note Offering Circular under “Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions.” Excess Cash Flow shall be distributed, in part, as follows:

(i) if the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares as of such Payment Date is less than 12%, to the payment to the Holders of the Preferred Shares, but only up to an amount that would cause the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares to equal 12%; and

(ii) any remaining amounts, (a) 20% to (x) the payment of the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date, and (y) the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Supplemental Dividend then due and unpaid, and (b) 80% to the Holders of the Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, as a dividend thereon or as a redemption payment on the Redemption Date, as applicable.

Any Excess Cash Flow that constitutes part of the Class II Preferred Share Dividend will not be allocable to the Class I Preferred Shares, rather, such amounts will only be available for distributions on the Class II Preferred Shares on each Payment Date. The “**Class II Preferred Share Dividend**” shall mean the Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend, Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend and Class II Preferred Share Supplemental Dividend, each as described in the Note Offering Circular.

Failure to satisfy any Overcollateralization Test, the Interest Coverage Test or the application of the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement described under “Description of the Notes” in the Note Offering Circular may result in the temporary or permanent diversion of all or a portion of amounts otherwise payable as Excess Cash Flow (and will have a corresponding effect on Preferred Shares distributions). The amount and frequency of distributions of Excess Cash Flow to the Issuer will depend on, among other things, the purchase rate in respect of new Portfolio Collateral, the level of LIBOR, the extent to which the Portfolio Collateral pledged to secure the Notes becomes Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, is subject to scheduled payments of principal, or is retired prior to the stated maturity of the Notes through mandatory or optional redemption, sale, maturity or other liquidation or disposition and the extent to which Substitute Portfolio Collateral is available for purchase in accordance with the criteria described in the Note Offering Circular.

Payments of Dividends on Preferred Shares; Preferred Shares Redemption

The Articles, in conjunction with the Resolutions, will provide for the payment of dividends on the Preferred Shares, without requiring any declaration by the board of directors, on each Payment Date through and including the Final Maturity Date, commencing on the first Payment Date. Such payment of dividends on each Payment Date will be in an amount equal to all Excess Cash Flow, if any, for such Payment Date in accordance with the priority of distributions less, with respect to the Final Maturity Date, such part of the Excess Cash Flow paid to redeem the Preferred Shares on such date. Such dividends, if any, will be paid on each Payment Date other than the Final Maturity Date to the holders of the Preferred Shares in whose names the Preferred Shares are registered at the close of business on the Record Date for such Payment Date.

No redemption of the Preferred Shares will be made from the Portfolio Collateral until the Notes are paid in full. Upon payment of the Notes in full, all Excess Cash Flow attributable to Adjusted Collateral Principal Collections will be paid to the holders of the Preferred Shares as dividends on or, with respect to the Final Maturity Date, as the redemption price on redemption of the Preferred Shares. The Preferred Shares are not subject to redemption at the option of the holders thereof, except in connection with a liquidation of the Trust Estate upon payment in full of the Notes at the direction of the holders of a Majority or more of the Preferred Shares. See “Description of the Preferred Shares—Termination of Trust Estate.”

Payments of dividends and the redemption price on redemption of the Class I Preferred Shares and the Class II Preferred Shares will be made *pro rata* to registered holders of Class I Preferred Shares and the Class II Preferred Shares, respectively, according to the number of such Class I Preferred Shares and Class II Preferred Shares held by the respective Holders. The payment of dividends and the redemption of the Preferred Shares is subject to the Issuer having sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium (being the difference between the par value of the Preferred Shares and their issue price) of the Preferred Shares out of which to pay such amounts and, in the case of a payment from share premium, the Issuer being able to pay its debts as they fall due in the ordinary course of its business.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, upon any redemption of the Preferred Shares, any Excess Cash Flow that constitutes part of the Class II Preferred Share Dividend will not be allocable to the Class I Preferred Shares, rather, such amounts will only be available for distributions on the Class II Preferred Shares.

Events of Default

The Note Offering Circular describes those circumstances that would constitute an Event of Default under the Indenture. See “Legal Structure—The Indenture—Events of Default” in the Note Offering Circular.

If an Event of Default under the Indenture should occur and be continuing with respect to the Notes, the Trustee may, with the consent of the Requisite Noteholders, and shall at the direction of the Requisite Noteholders, declare the principal of the Notes to be immediately due and payable. Such declaration may under certain circumstances be rescinded by the Trustee at the direction of the Requisite Noteholders. As long as any Notes are outstanding, if an Event of Default under the Indenture should occur, the holders of such Notes will be entitled to determine the remedies to be exercised under the Indenture. Remedies pursued by the holders of the Notes would likely adversely affect the interests of the holders of the Preferred Shares.



### Exchange and Transfer

The Issuer shall maintain, or cause to be maintained, at a specified office a Share register (the “**Share Register**”).

The Issuer will appoint a transfer agent (the “**Transfer Agent**”), at which office a holder of a Definitive Preferred Share may surrender such Preferred Share certificate for registration of transfer as described below. The Issuer has initially appointed the Paying Agent to act as Transfer Agent. The Issuer may at any time terminate the appointment of a Transfer Agent and appoint additional or other Transfer Agents. Notice of such termination or appointment and of any change in the specified office of a Transfer Agent will be provided in the manner described below in the Paying Agency Agreement.

The costs and expenses of effecting any exchange or registration of transfer pursuant to the foregoing provisions, except for the expense of delivery by other than regular mail (if any) and except, if the Issuer shall so require, the payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge or insurance charges that may be imposed in connection with any registration of transfer or exchange of any Preferred Shares, will be borne by the Issuer.

A beneficial interest in a Global Preferred Share may only be transferred to (a) a Non-U.S. Person, who is also a Qualified Institutional Buyer, in an offshore transaction (as defined in Regulation S) (an “**Offshore Transaction**”) in accordance with Regulation S (and in accordance with certain certification requirements in the Paying Agency Agreement) or (b) after the Distribution Compliance Period, to a person who takes delivery in the form of a Definitive Preferred Share and delivers a written certification (in the form provided in the Paying Agency Agreement) to the effect that such person is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is acquiring such interest for its own account (together with certain other requirements set forth in the Paying Agency Agreement) and is a Qualified Purchaser or Knowledgeable Employee. Upon any exchange of any number of Preferred Shares represented by a Global Preferred Share for a Definitive Preferred Share, the Paying Agent shall surrender the certificate representing the Global Preferred Share to the Issuer for cancellation and the Issuer shall issue a new certificate for the reduced number of Preferred Shares represented by the Global Preferred Share and a new certificate in respect of the Definitive Preferred Share. The Issuer shall cause the Share Register to be updated accordingly.

Definitive Preferred Shares and Restricted Preferred Shares (or any interest therein) may only be transferred in accordance with the applicable laws of any State of the United States and (a) in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act involving a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is a U.S. Person as transferee and is a Qualified Purchaser or Knowledgeable Employee (in accordance with the certification requirements of the Paying Agency Agreement) or (b) to a person who takes delivery in the form of a beneficial interest in a Global Preferred Share and in such case only upon receipt by the Paying Agent of a written certification from the transferor (in the form provided in the Paying Agency Agreement) to the effect that such transfer is being made to a Non-U.S. Person, who is also a Qualified Institutional Buyer, in accordance with Regulation S. Upon any exchange of a Definitive Preferred Share for a beneficial interest in a Global Preferred Share, the Paying Agent shall surrender the Definitive Preferred Share certificate and the Global Preferred Share certificate to the Issuer for cancellation and the Issuer shall issue the Paying Agent with a new certificate for the Global Preferred Shares reflecting the increased number of Preferred Shares represented thereby. The Issuer shall cause the Share Register to be updated accordingly.

Upon surrender for registration of transfer of any Definitive Preferred Share at the office of the Paying Agent, the Paying Agent, subject to and in accordance with the terms of the Paying Agency Agreement, will deliver in the name of the designated transferee or transferees, or (in the case of a partial

transfer) the registered holder, one or more new certificates representing the registered Definitive Preferred Shares certificates. Every registered Preferred Share presented or surrendered for registration of transfer shall be duly endorsed, or be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Issuer and the Paying Agent, duly executed by the registered holder thereof or its attorney duly authorized in writing.

Preferred Share certificates issued upon any exchange or transfer will be delivered at the office of the Paying Agent or mailed, at the request, risk and expense of the holder, to the address reflected for such holder in the register or such other address as such holder shall request. No service charge (other than any cost of delivery) shall be made for any registration of transfer or exchange of Preferred Shares, but the Issuer may require payment from the holder of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection therewith.

During the period of 15 days preceding any date fixed for payment of dividends on or redemption of the Preferred Shares, the Issuer shall not be required to register the transfer of or to exchange any Preferred Shares.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event any Holder of Class II Preferred Shares wishes to transfer all or a portion of its Class II Preferred Shares (the "**Class II Seller**") to any qualified third party purchaser (the "**Class II Buyer**"), including any holders of preferred shares (the "**Holding Preferred Shares**") of Rockwall Investors Corp. ("**Investors Corp.**"), such transfer shall only be effected by the Issuer redeeming such Class II Preferred Shares and correspondingly issuing new Class I Preferred Shares and Investors Corp. issuing new Holding Preferred Shares in accordance with the mechanics described in this paragraph and the applicable provisions in the Articles of Association of each of the Issuer and Investors Corp. At least 10 days prior to any transfer by a Class II Seller to a Class II Buyer, such Class II Seller and Class II Buyer shall jointly notify the Issuer, the Transfer Agent, the Servicer and Investors Corp. of their intention to effect such transfer of Class II Preferred Shares, indicating the number of Class II Preferred Shares to be sold and the corresponding number of Class I Preferred Shares to be issued and sold to Investors Corp. and the number of Holding Preferred Shares to be issued and acquired by the Class II Buyer, the price for such purchase and sale and the date on which such purchase and sale is expected to occur (such notice, the "**Sale Notice**"). The Issuer shall, on the date indicated in the Sale Notice, subject to such redemption being approved in writing by the Board of Directors of the Issuer and subject to such redemption being in respect of 200,000 Class II Preferred Shares or more, redeem the indicated number of Class II Preferred Shares to be sold by the Class II Seller and shall issue an equal number of Class I Preferred Shares registered in the name of Investors Corp. Simultaneously with such redemption and new issuance by the Issuer, Investors Corp., pursuant to the Investors Corp. Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, shall issue new Holding Preferred Shares to the Class II Buyer equal in number to the number of Class II Preferred Shares being sold by the Class II Seller as indicated in the Sale Notice. The Class II Buyer shall pay Investors Corp. for its subscription to such newly issued Holding Preferred Shares in an amount indicated in the Sale Notice, Investors Corp. shall immediately apply such amount to pay the subscription price to the Issuer for the newly issued Class I Preferred Shares, and the Issuer shall immediately apply such amount to pay the redemption price to the Class II Seller for the redemption of such Class II Seller's Class II Preferred Shares.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in the event the Holder of any Class II Preferred Shares (the "**Holding Buyer**") wishes to acquire any Holding Preferred Shares from any holder of Holding Preferred Shares (the "**Holding Seller**"), such transfer shall only be effected by the Investors Corp. redeeming such Holding Preferred Shares and the Issuer redeeming a corresponding number of Class I Preferred Shares and issuing new Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the mechanics described in this paragraph and the applicable provisions in the Articles of Association of each of the

Issuer and Investors Corp. At least 10 days prior to any transfer by a Holding Seller to a Holding Buyer, such Holding Seller and Holding Buyer shall jointly notify the Issuer, the Transfer Agent, the Servicer and Investors Corp. of their intention to effect such acquisition of Holding Preferred Shares, indicating the number of Holding Preferred Shares to be sold by the Holding Seller, the corresponding number of Class I Preferred Shares to be redeemed by the Issuer and the number of Class II Preferred Shares to be issued and acquired by the Holding Buyer, respectively, the price for such purchase and sale and the date on which such purchase and sale is expected to occur (such notice, the “**Acquisition Notice**”). On the date indicated in the Sale Notice, Investors Corp. shall, subject to such redemption being approved in writing by the Board of Directors of Investors Corp. and subject to such redemption being in respect of 200,000 Class Holding Preferred Shares or more, redeem the indicated number of Holding Preferred Shares to be sold by Holding Seller and the Issuer shall, subject to such redemption being approved in writing by the Board of Directors of the Issuer and subject to such redemption being in respect of 200,000 Class I Preferred Shares or more, redeem Class I Preferred Shares in an amount equal to the number of Holding Preferred Shares being sold as indicated in the Acquisition Notice. Simultaneously with such redemption of Class I Preferred Shares, the Issuer shall issue Class II Preferred Shares to the Holding Buyer in an amount equal to the amount of Class I Preferred Shares being redeemed as indicated in the Acquisition Notice. The Holding Buyer shall pay the Issuer for its subscription to such newly issued Class II Preferred Shares in an amount indicated in the Acquisition Notice, the Issuer shall immediately apply such amount to pay the redemption price to Investors Corp. for the redemption of the Class I Preferred Shares, and Investors Corp. shall immediately apply such amount to pay the redemption price to the Holding Seller for the redemption of the Holding Preferred Shares.

#### Prescription

Payments in respect of the Preferred Shares will cease to be due if not paid to the holder due to insufficient instructions for a period of ten years from the Relevant Date therefor. “**Relevant Date**” means the date on which the final payment in respect of Preferred Shares first becomes due, except that if the full amount of the monies payable has not been duly received by the Paying Agent on or prior to such due date, it means the date on which such monies have been so received.

#### Restrictions on Transfer

The Preferred Shares have not been registered under the Securities Act, the securities laws of any state of the United States or the securities laws of any other jurisdiction, and are being issued and sold in reliance upon exemptions from registration provided by such laws. There is no market for the Preferred Shares being offered hereby and, as a result, a purchaser must be prepared to hold the Preferred Shares for an indefinite period of time. No Preferred Shares may be sold or transferred unless such sale or transfer (i) is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act (for example, in reliance on exemptions provided by Rule 144A or Regulation S under the Securities Act) and other applicable securities laws, (ii) satisfies the transfer restrictions described in “Certain ERISA Considerations” herein, (iii) does not cause the Issuer to become subject to the registration requirements of the Investment Company Act, including by selling or otherwise transferring the Preferred Shares to a purchaser or other transferee (other than a Non-U.S. Person) which is not a “qualified purchaser” or “knowledgeable employee” within the meaning of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act, and (iv) otherwise fully complies with the Articles. The Preferred Shares may not be sold or transferred to any Plan, to any person acting on behalf of or with “plan assets” of any Plan, or to any other Benefit Plan Investor other than as described herein under “Certain ERISA Considerations.” Additionally, no transfer may be made unless the Issuer shall have determined that the transfer is not being effected through an “established securities market” within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.7704-1(b) and will not result in the Issuer having more than 75 shareholders (determined in conformity with Treasury Regulation Section 1.7704-1(h)(3)).

### Termination of Trust Estate

Upon payment in full of the Notes, the Issuer may elect, upon the direction of holders of a Majority of the Preferred Shares, voting as a single class, to liquidate the Trust Estate in whole or in part. Any amounts realized from any such liquidation, after payment of any amounts due and payable under the Indenture, will be distributed in accordance with the provisions of the Paying Agency Agreement.

The Issuer is permitted to exercise the Optional Redemption in accordance with the requirements of the Indenture when directed by the holders of the Preferred Shares holding at least a Majority of the Preferred Shares, voting as a single class.

### Modification of Paying Agency Agreement and the Indenture

Without the consent of any holders of Preferred Shares, the Issuer and the Paying Agent, at any time and from time to time, may enter into one or more agreements supplemental to the Paying Agency Agreement for any of the following purposes: (a) to evidence the succession of a successor entity to the Issuer and the assumption by any such successor of the covenants of the Issuer therein and in the Preferred Shares; (b) to take any action deemed reasonably necessary by the Issuer to prevent the reduction of dividends payable on the Preferred Shares as a result of imposition of any taxes; (c) to evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment thereunder by a successor Paying Agent with respect to the Preferred Shares; (d) to correct any manifest error with respect to any provision therein; (e) to cure any ambiguity, correct or supplement any provision therein which may be inconsistent with any other provision thereunder, or to make any other provisions with respect to matters or questions arising therein; (f) to take any action necessary or helpful to prevent the Issuer from being subject to any withholding or other taxes, fees or assessments or to reduce the risk that the Issuer or the Paying Agent, as applicable, will be engaged in a United States trade or business or otherwise subject to United States income tax on a net income basis; or (g) prevent the Issuer from becoming an “investment company” as defined in the Investment Company Act or better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 thereunder; *provided* that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental indenture under this clause (g), each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Initial Purchaser shall (A) have satisfied the Rating Condition with respect to such supplemental indenture and (B) received a customary, unqualified opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such supplemental agreement, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act; *provided* that in each case that such action for any matters described in clauses (a) through (f) will not adversely affect the interests of the holders of Preferred Shares in any material respect.

With the consent of the holders of not less than a Majority of the Preferred Shares (voting as a single class) affected by a supplemental agreement or agreement referred to below, the Issuer and the Paying Agent (and with the consent of the Servicer, if any supplemental agreement would reduce its rights or increase its obligations under the Collateral Management Agreement) may enter into an agreement or agreements supplemental to the Paying Agency Agreement for the purpose of adding any provisions to, or changing in any manner or eliminating any of the provisions of, the Paying Agency Agreement or of modifying in any manner the rights of the holders of Preferred Shares under such agreement; *provided* that no such supplemental agreement will, without the consent of the holder of each outstanding Preferred Share affected thereby: (a) change the method or methods by which dividends will be determined for any Preferred Share or reduce the par value thereof or change the coin or currency in which such amounts are, or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after the stated maturity thereof; or (b) reduce the percentage amount of the outstanding Preferred Shares, the consent of whose holders is required for any such supplemental agreement, or the consent of whose holders is required for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of such agreement or certain defaults thereunder and their consequences provided for in such agreement; or (c) modify any of

the provisions of the Paying Agency Agreement relating to the modification thereof, except to increase any such percentage or to provide that certain other provisions of such agreement cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the holder of each outstanding Preferred Share affected thereby.

In addition, as described in the Paying Agency Agreement, without the consent of at least 66-2/3% of the holders of the Preferred Shares materially and adversely affected thereby, the Issuer will not be permitted to enter into any supplemental indenture that would (i) increase the Applicable Periodic Rate for any Class of Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of any Class of Notes, the Optional Redemption Price or the mandatory redemption price, (ii) modify Article XI of the Indenture, (iii) change the maturity of the principal of or interest on any Note or reduce the principal amount thereof or the rate of interest thereon or change the time or amount of any other amount payable in respect of any Note or of any amount payable to the Issuer for distribution to the holders of the Preferred Shares, (iv) reduce the percentage of Holders of Notes or the percentage of the Preferred Shares whose consent is required for the authorization of any supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of the Indenture, (v) impair or adversely affect the Trust Estate securing the Notes, (vi) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on parity with the lien of the Indenture with respect to any part of the Trust Estate or terminate the lien of the Indenture, (vii) reduce the percentage of Holders of Notes or the holders of the Preferred Shares whose consent is required to direct the Trustee to liquidate the Trust Estate, (viii) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture with respect to whose consent is required for supplemental indentures or waiver of Defaults and their consequences except to increase the percentage of Outstanding Notes whose consent is required for any such action or to provide that other provisions of the Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note affected thereby, (ix) modify the provisions thereof relating to priority of distributions or subordination or the definition therein of the terms "Holder," "Noteholder," "Majority Noteholder," "Majority Preferred Shareholder," "Outstanding" or "Requisite Noteholder," (x) amend any provision that provides that the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer are non-recourse obligations or (xi) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of principal of or interest on or other amount in respect of any Note or of any payment to the Issuer for distribution to the holders of the Preferred Shares or to affect the right of the Holders of Notes to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of such Notes contained therein.

#### Amendment Buy-Out

In the case of any supplemental indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of the Notes or Preferred Shares, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Notes and Preferred Shares held by such Holder whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture (the "**Amendment Buy-Out Option**") for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all Notes and Preferred Shares of Non-Consenting Holders, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes or Preferred Shares the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an "**Amendment Buy-Out**"). By its acceptance of a Note or Preferred Share, each Holder of a Note and Preferred Share agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its applicable Note or Preferred Share to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

All purchases made pursuant to the Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Notes and Preferred Shares set forth in "Delivery of the Notes; Transfer Restrictions; Settlement" in the Note Offering Circular and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency)

### Governing Law

The Notes, the Indenture and the Paying Agency Agreement will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York. The rights attached to the Preferred Shares as set forth in the Articles will be governed by Cayman Islands law. The Issuer will irrevocably submit to the federal court sitting in the City and County of New York over any suit, action or proceeding arising out of or relating to any of the Notes, the Indenture and the Paying Agency Agreement.

### THE SERVICER AND THE SERVICING AGREEMENT

Highland Capital Management, L.P. (the “**Servicer**”), will service the Portfolio Collateral and perform certain other reporting functions pursuant to a servicing agreement with the Issuer (the “**Servicing Agreement**”). For a description of the Servicer and the Servicing Agreement, see “The Servicer” and “The Servicing Agreement” in the Note Offering Circular.

### ASSETS OF THE ISSUER

For a description of the assets of the Issuer, including a description of the criteria for the purchase or substitution of the Portfolio Collateral, see “Security for the Notes” in the Note Offering Circular.

### DELIVERY OF THE PREFERRED SHARES; TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS; SETTLEMENT

The Preferred Shares have not been registered under the Securities Act, any United States state securities or “Blue Sky” laws or the securities laws of any other jurisdiction and, accordingly, may not be reoffered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. Persons, except in accordance with the restrictions described under “Notices to Purchasers.”

Without limiting the foregoing, by holding Preferred Shares, each holder will acknowledge and agree, among other things, that such holder understands that the Issuer is not registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act, but that the Issuer is exempt from registration as such by virtue of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act, which in general excludes from the definition of an “investment company” any issuer whose outstanding securities (other than securities sold to Non-U.S. Persons under Regulation S) are beneficially owned solely by Qualified Purchasers or Knowledgeable Employees and which has not made and does not propose to make a public offering of its securities. Any sale or transfer which would violate these provisions shall be void ab initio, and no sale or transfer may be made if such sale or transfer would require the Issuer to become subject to the requirements of the Investment Company Act.

Unless determined otherwise by the Issuer in accordance with applicable law, all certificates representing the Preferred Shares will bear the legend set forth below:

**THE PREFERRED SHARES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “SECURITIES ACT”), ANY STATE SECURITIES LAWS IN THE UNITED STATES OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY OTHER JURISDICTION AND MAY NOT BE REOFFERED, RESOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR**

FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, U.S. PERSONS, EXCEPT AS PERMITTED BY THIS LEGEND. THE HOLDER OF ANY PREFERRED SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF THIS PREFERRED SHARE CERTIFICATE, REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT REOFFER, RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER THE PREFERRED SHARES REPRESENTED BY THIS CERTIFICATE EXCEPT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT AND OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS AND EXCEPT (A) IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, WHOM THE SELLER HAS INFORMED, IN EACH CASE, THAT THE REOFFER, RESALE, PLEDGE OR OTHER TRANSFER IS BEING MADE IN RELIANCE ON RULE 144A, PROVIDED THAT SUCH PURCHASER DELIVERS ALL DOCUMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS AS THE ISSUER OR THE PAYING AGENT MAY REASONABLY REQUIRE; (B) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT TO A PERSON WHO IS ALSO A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A; (C) TO THE ISSUER OR ITS AFFILIATES; OR (D) TO ANY OTHER PERSON OR ENTITY PURSUANT TO A VALID EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT PROVIDED THAT SUCH PURCHASER DELIVERS ALL DOCUMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS AS THE ISSUER OR THE PAYING AGENT MAY REQUEST, IN EACH CASE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANY APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAW OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER JURISDICTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE PAYING AGENCY AGREEMENT. IN ADDITION, EACH PURCHASER OF PREFERRED SHARES, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE THEREOF, REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER SUCH PREFERRED SHARES EXCEPT TO A NON-U.S. PERSON THAT IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER OR TO A "QUALIFIED PURCHASER" OR "KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEE" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER IN A TRANSACTION THAT DOES NOT CAUSE THE ISSUER TO BE REQUIRED TO REGISTER UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940. FURTHER, THE PREFERRED SHARES MAY NOT BE SOLD OR TRANSFERRED TO ANY PLAN SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, TO ANY PERSON ACTING ON BEHALF OF OR WITH "PLAN ASSETS" OF ANY SUCH PLAN, OR TO ANY OTHER BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR (AS DEFINED IN UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR REGULATION SECTION 2510.3-101(f)(2)), INCLUDING AN INSURANCE COMPANY GENERAL ACCOUNT, EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR RELATING TO THE PREFERRED SHARES. ADDITIONALLY, NO TRANSFER MAY BE MADE UNLESS THE ISSUER SHALL HAVE DETERMINED THAT THE TRANSFER IS NOT BEING EFFECTED THROUGH AN "ESTABLISHED SECURITIES MARKET" WITHIN THE MEANING OF TREASURY REGULATION SECTION 1.7704-1(b)

**AND WILL NOT RESULT IN THE ISSUER HAVING MORE THAN 75 SHAREHOLDERS (DETERMINED IN CONFORMITY WITH TREASURY REGULATION SECTION 1.7704-1(h)(3)).**

**TRANSFERS OF THE PREFERRED SHARES MAY ONLY BE MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE PAYING AGENCY AGREEMENT.**

**TRANSFERS OF THE PREFERRED SHARES MUST GENERALLY BE ACCOMPANIED BY APPROPRIATE TAX TRANSFER DOCUMENTATION.**

Subject to the restrictions on transfer set forth in the Paying Agency Agreement and on the Preferred Share certificates, the holder of any Preferred Shares may transfer the same in whole or in part (in any authorized denomination) by surrendering the certificate relating to such Preferred Shares at the specified office of the Paying Agent or at the office of any transfer agent, together with an executed instrument of assignment and transfer substantially in the form attached to the Paying Agency Agreement. In exchange for any certificate representing the Preferred Shares properly presented for transfer with all necessary accompanying documentation, the Paying Agent will, within five Business Days of such request if made at the specified office of the Paying Agent, or within ten Business Days if made at the office of a transfer agent, deliver at the specified office of the Paying Agent or the office of the transfer agent, as the case may be, to the transferee or send by first-class mail at the risk of the transferee to such address as the transferee may request a certificate in the name of the transferee representing the number of Preferred Shares transferred. The presentation for transfer of any Preferred Shares will not be valid unless made at the specified office of the Paying Agent or at the office of a transfer agent by the registered holder in person, or by a duly authorized attorney-in-fact. The holder of a Preferred Share certificate will not be required to bear the costs and expenses of effecting any transfer or registration of transfer, except that the relevant holder will be required to bear (i) the expenses of delivery by other than regular mail (if any) and (ii) if the Issuer so requires, the payment of a sum sufficient to cover any duty, stamp tax or governmental charge or insurance charges that may be imposed in relation thereto.

### CERTAIN TAX CONSIDERATIONS

#### Introduction

The following is a limited summary of certain United States federal income tax consequences pertaining to an investment in the Preferred Shares. As discussed herein, this summary is not intended to be complete, and is not complete; it addresses few of the tax consequences relating to an investor's tax treatment with respect to its investment in Preferred Shares, focusing principally on the certain consequences germane to the Issuer, and insofar as it may address investor tax consequences, it does so only as specifically set forth. The discussion and the opinions referenced below are based upon laws, regulations, rulings, and decisions currently in effect, all of which are subject to change, possibly with retroactive effect. Prospective investors should note that no rulings have been or are expected to be sought from the Internal Revenue Service (the "IRS") with respect to any of the United States federal income tax consequences discussed below, and no assurance can be given that the IRS will not take contrary positions. Further, the following summary does not deal with all United States federal income tax consequences applicable to any given investor, nor does it address the United States federal income tax considerations applicable to all categories of investors, some of which may be subject to special rules, such as, banks, real estate investment trusts, regulated investment companies, controlled foreign corporations, passive foreign investment companies, insurance companies, tax-exempt organizations, dealers in securities or currencies, electing large partnerships, natural persons, cash method taxpayers, S



corporations, estates and trusts, investors that hold their Preferred Shares as part of a hedge, straddle, or an integrated or conversion transaction, or investors whose “functional currency” is not the United States dollar. Furthermore, it does not address alternative minimum tax consequences, or the indirect effects on investors of equity interests in a Holder. In addition, this summary is generally limited to investors that will hold their Preferred Shares as “capital assets” within the meaning of Section 1221 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “**Code**”). Investors should consult their own tax advisors to determine the United States federal, state, local, and other tax consequences of the purchase, ownership, and disposition of the Preferred Shares.

As used herein, “**U.S. Holder**” means a beneficial owner of a Preferred Share that is an individual citizen or resident of the United States for United States federal income tax purposes, a corporation or other entity taxable as a corporation created or organized in or under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (including the District of Columbia), an estate the income of which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of its source, or a trust where a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and one or more United States persons (as defined in the Code) have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust (or a trust that has made a valid election under United States Treasury Regulations to be treated as a domestic trust). If a partnership holds Preferred Shares, the tax treatment of a partner will generally depend upon the status of the partner and upon the activities of the partnership. Partners of partnerships holding Preferred Shares should consult their own tax advisors. “**Non-U.S. Holder**” means any holder (or beneficial holder) of a Preferred Share that is not a U.S. Holder.

#### United States Federal Income Tax Consequences to the Issuer

Upon the issuance of the Preferred Shares, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, special United States tax counsel to the Issuer, will deliver an opinion generally to the effect that under current law, and assuming compliance with the Indenture (and certain other documents) and based on certain factual representations made by the Issuer and the Servicer, although the matter is not free from doubt, the Issuer will not be engaged in the conduct of a trade or business in the United States. Prospective investors should be aware that opinions of counsel are not binding on the IRS and the IRS might seek to treat the Issuer as engaged in a United States trade or business. In addition, the Issuer and Servicer are entitled to rely upon the advice and/or opinions of their selected counsel with respect to amendments, supplements and other modifications of the terms of the Portfolio Collateral and deviations from the investment guidelines set forth in the Servicing Agreement; the foregoing opinion assumes that any such advice and/or opinions will be correct and complete. It should be noted as well that the United States Treasury Department and the IRS recently announced that they are considering taxpayer requests for specific guidance on, among other things, whether a foreign person may be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States by virtue of entering into credit default swaps. No guidance has been issued to date. If any future guidance concludes that foreign persons entering into certain credit default swaps will be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States, such guidance would adversely impact the Issuer's ability to make payments on the Preferred Shares. Additionally, it should be noted that gain or loss on a disposition by a foreign person of a United States real property interest may be subject to United States federal income tax as if the foreign person were engaged in a United States trade or business (even if the foreign person is not actually so engaged). The determination of whether an asset constitutes a United States real property interest is made periodically and, therefore, notwithstanding that the Issuer is prohibited from acquiring an asset that constitutes a United States real property interest, it is possible that an asset that was not a United States real property interest at the time it was acquired by the Issuer could, thereafter, become a United States real property interest. Similarly, if the Issuer accepted a new security in exchange for an existing security or if the terms of an existing security were modified, the new or modified security might cause the Issuer to become engaged in a United States trade or business

for United States federal income tax purposes. If the Issuer were viewed as engaged in a U.S. trade or business, a Non-U.S. Holder of Preferred Shares would be subject to net income taxation in the United States on its pro rata share of such of the Issuer's income as is effectively connected to the trade or business (as well as the branch profits tax, in the case of a corporate Non-U.S. Holder) assuming that the Issuer is properly characterized as a partnership for United States federal income tax purposes.

In this regard, the Issuer intends to elect to be (and expects to be) treated as a partnership for United States federal income tax purposes. There can be no assurance, however, that the Issuer will not (at some point in time) become classified as a corporation for United States federal income tax purposes. If the Issuer were to be treated as a corporation for United States federal income tax purposes and the IRS were successfully to characterize the Issuer as engaged in a United States trade or business, among other consequences, the Issuer would be subject to net income taxation in the United States on such of its income as is effectively connected with the United States trade or business (as well as the branch profits tax). The levying of such taxes would materially affect the Issuer's financial ability to make payments on the Preferred Shares.

#### United States Federal Income Tax Consequences to Holders

As indicated above, this discussion generally does not address tax consequences to Holders of any investment in the Preferred Shares. In particular, it does not address any consequences to U.S. Holders (including possible treatment of such Holders as investors in a controlled foreign corporation or passive foreign investment company), nor do the consequences to Non-U.S. Holders referenced below aim or purport to be complete in any respect. It does not address information reporting requirements that may apply to any Holder or to the Issuer, which can impose significant penalties for failures in compliance.

Assuming that the Issuer is properly classified as partnership for United States federal income tax purposes, the Issuer's income (and loss) will be allocated to the Holders of the Preferred Shares and any other entity viewed as holding equity in the Issuer (which could, possibly, include holders of certain classes of notes issued by the Issuer, as well as other persons). Many complex rules (not discussed herein) will apply for purposes of determining the income and loss of the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes, some of which may have the effect of deferring or disallowing losses and deductions and/or recharacterizing items of capital gain into ordinary income items. The amount of United States federal income taxes payable in any year by a Holder with respect its distributive share of the Issuer's taxable income and loss could exceed the amount of cash, if any, received by the Holder in that year. The Issuer has not yet determined how it will allocate its distributive share of taxable income among Holders, and can offer no assurance that the methods ultimately adopted and followed will have substantial economic effect. If it were determined that one or more of the allocations did not have substantial economic effect, a Holder of Preferred Shares might be required to recognize a greater or smaller amount of income and loss than otherwise would have been the case (without any corresponding increase in distributions to the Holder). Numerous restrictions may limit the ability of a Holder of Preferred Shares to utilize any losses allocated to it for United States federal income tax purposes – such as, for example, the at-risk limitations under Section 465, the passive activity loss limitations under Section 469, the tax-exempt use property limitations under Section 470, the investment interest limitations under Section 163(d), and the basis limitations under Section 704(d). Investors are urged to consult their own tax advisors as to the application of these limitations.

Circular 230

Under 31 C.F.R. part 10, the regulations governing practice before the IRS (Circular 230), we and our tax advisors are (or may be) required to inform you that:

- Any advice contained herein, including any opinions of counsel referred to herein, is not intended or written to be used, and cannot be used by any taxpayer, for the purpose of avoiding penalties that may be imposed on the taxpayer;
- Any such advice is written to support the promotion or marketing of the Preferred Shares and the transactions described herein (or in such opinion or other advice); and
- Each taxpayer should seek advice based on the taxpayer's particular circumstances from an independent tax advisor.

CAYMAN ISLANDS TAXATION

The following discussion of certain Cayman Islands income tax consequences of an investment in the Preferred Shares is based on the advice of Maples and Calder as to Cayman Islands law. The discussion is a general summary of present law, which is subject to prospective and retroactive change. It assumes that the Issuer will conduct its affairs in accordance with assumptions made by, and representations made to, counsel. It is not intended as tax advice, does not consider any investor's particular circumstances, and does not consider tax consequences other than those arising under Cayman Islands law.

Under existing Cayman Islands laws:

(i) payments on the Preferred Shares will not be subject to taxation in the Cayman Islands and no withholding will be required on such payments to any holder of a Preferred Share and gains derived from the sale of Preferred Shares will not be subject to Cayman Islands income or corporation tax. The Cayman Islands currently have no income, corporation or capital gains tax and no estate duty, inheritance tax or gift tax; and

(ii) the Preferred Shares and transfers of Preferred Shares are not subject to Cayman Islands stamp duty but an agreement to transfer Preferred Shares if executed in or brought into the Cayman Islands will be subject to nominal Cayman Islands stamp duty.

The Issuer has been incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands as an exempted limited liability company and, as such, has applied for and obtained an undertaking from the Governor in Cabinet of the Cayman Islands in the following form:

**The Tax Concessions Law  
(1999 Revision)  
Undertaking as to Tax Concessions**

In accordance with Section 6 of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision), the Governor in Cabinet undertakes with Rockwall CDO Ltd. (the "**Company**"):

(a) that no law which is hereafter enacted in the Islands imposing any tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations will apply to the Company or its operations; and

(b) in addition, that no tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations or which is in the nature of estate duty or inheritance tax will be payable

(i) on or in respect of the shares, debentures or other obligations of the Company; or

(ii) by way of the withholding in whole or in part of any relevant payment as defined in Section 6(3) of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision).

These concessions shall be for a period of twenty years from the 21st day of June, 2005.

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#### CERTAIN ERISA CONSIDERATIONS

The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“**ERISA**”), imposes certain requirements on employee benefit plans (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) subject to Title I of ERISA and on persons who are fiduciaries (as defined in Section 3(21)(A) of ERISA) with respect to such plans, and Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code prohibit such plans, as well as individual retirement accounts and Keogh plans, subject to such statutes (each, a “**Plan**”) from engaging in certain transactions with persons that are “parties in interest” under ERISA or “disqualified persons” under Section 4975 of the Code (collectively, “**Parties in Interest**”) with respect to such Plans. Any person who decides to invest “plan assets” of a Plan that is subject to Title I of ERISA in the Preferred Shares should consider, among other factors, the factors discussed above under “Special Considerations” herein.

Except as set forth below and except as otherwise provided in the Paying Agency Agreement with respect to the initial sale of the Preferred Shares, the Preferred Shares may not be acquired or held by any (i) employee benefit plan (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA), whether or not it is subject to Title I of ERISA; (ii) plan described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code; (iii) entity whose underlying assets include “plan assets” by reason of a Plan’s investment in the entity; or (iv) person who is otherwise a “benefit plan investor” (as defined in the regulations issued by the United States Department of Labor set forth at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101) (a “**Benefit Plan Investor**”), including a life insurance company general account or a governmental or foreign plan that is generally not subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code. However, Preferred Shares may be acquired and held by or on behalf of, or with “plan assets” of, a Plan or other Benefit Plan Investor if:

(a) (1)(A) The investor is purchasing the Preferred Shares with assets of an “insurance company general account” (within the meaning of DOL Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption (“**PTCE**”) 95-60) (a “**General Account**”); (B) the investor’s purchase and holding of the Preferred Shares are eligible for the exemptive relief afforded under Section I of PTCE 95-60; (C) less than 25% of the assets of such General Account constitute “plan assets” of Benefit Plan Investors; and (D) if, after the initial acquisition of Preferred Shares, during any calendar quarter 25% or more of the assets of such General Account (as determined by such insurance company) constitute “plan assets” of any Plan or other Benefit Plan Investor and no exemption or exception

from the prohibited transaction rules applies such that the continued holding of the Preferred Shares would not result in violations of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, then such investor will dispose of all of the Preferred Shares then held in such General Account by the end of the next following calendar quarter; (2) the investor's purchase and holding of the Preferred Shares are eligible for the exemptive relief afforded under PTCE 96-23, 91-38, 90-1 or 84-14; or (3) it is purchasing the Preferred Shares solely with "plan assets" not subject to Title I of ERISA, Section 4975 of the Code or similar law; *and*

(b) After giving effect to such purchase and all other purchases occurring simultaneously therewith, less than 25% of each Class of the Preferred Shares (excluding the Preferred Shares held by the Servicer and its affiliates or clients) will constitute "plan assets" of Benefit Plan Investors.

In addition, except as otherwise provided in the Paying Agency Agreement, if an investor (whether or not it is a Plan or any other Benefit Plan Investor) purchases a Preferred Share and if, after giving effect to such purchase, the investor (or its affiliates) will own 50% or more of the aggregate par value of the Preferred Shares, the investor should consult with its counsel regarding the effect such an investment may have on its ability (and that of its affiliates and their Plans) to purchase any Class of Notes in reliance upon any of PTCE 96-23, 95-60, 91-38, 90-1 or 84-14.

Except with respect to certain secondary market transactions through Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., as more fully described in the Paying Agency Agreement, by its purchase of the Preferred Shares, each purchaser and transferee will be required to represent and warrant in writing to and agree with the Issuer, the Servicer, the Paying Agent and the Trustee that (i) its purchase and holding of such Preferred Shares will satisfy the ERISA requirements with respect to the 25% limitation described above and (ii) it will not assign or transfer such Preferred Shares unless (1) the proposed assignee or transferee delivers a letter to the Issuer evidencing its agreement to the foregoing ERISA representations and covenants with respect to its purchase, holding and transfer of such Preferred Shares and (2) if the investor:

(x) is not (and is not acting on behalf of) a Benefit Plan Investor, the assignee or transferee will also not be a Benefit Plan Investor; *or*

(y) is (or is acting on behalf of) a General Account, the assignee or transferee will be accurately identified in such letter as either another General Account or a person who is not (and is not acting on behalf of) a Benefit Plan Investor; *or*

(z) is (or is acting on behalf of or with "plan assets" of) a Benefit Plan Investor (other than a General Account), the assignee or transferee will be accurately identified in such letter as either a General Account, another Benefit Plan Investor or a person who is not (and is not acting on behalf of) any Benefit Plan Investor.

#### USE OF PROCEEDS

The net proceeds from the sale of the Preferred Shares, together with the net proceeds from the sale of the Notes, will be applied by the Issuer in the manner described in the Note Offering Circular.

## PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

The Issuer proposes to offer the Preferred Shares to prospective purchasers from time to time in individually negotiated transactions at varying prices to be determined in each case at the time of sale. On the Closing Date, Investors Corp. is expected to purchase 100% of the Class I Preferred Shares from the Issuer. In addition, it is expected that HFP or an affiliate or subsidiary thereof will purchase 45,000,000 Class II Preferred Shares of the Issuer on the Closing Date at negotiated prices. The Servicer, clients of the Servicer, entities identified by the Servicer and other entities identified by such entities, are expected to acquire 10,000,000 of the Holding Preferred Shares of Investors Corp. on the Closing Date at negotiated prices. See “Special Considerations—Potential Conflicts of Interest” in the Note Offering Circular. The Issuer may offer or sell Preferred Shares to purchasers at negotiated prices, which may vary among different purchasers of Preferred Shares. The Preferred Shares are offered when, as and if issued by the Issuer, subject to prior sale or withdrawal, cancellation or modification of the offer without notice and subject to approval of certain legal matters by counsel and certain other conditions. It is expected that delivery of the Preferred Shares will be made on or about the Closing Date, against payment in immediately available funds.

The Preferred Shares have not been registered under the Securities Act and may not be offered or sold within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, United States persons except to (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers in reliance on Rule 144A under the Securities Act, and (ii) other persons or entities pursuant to other valid exemptions from the registration requirements of the Securities Act and the Investment Company Act.

Without limiting the foregoing, no transfer of Preferred Shares may be made except to a Non-U.S. Person in compliance with Regulation S who is also a Qualified Institutional Buyer or to a Qualified Purchaser (or Knowledgeable Employee) or if such transfer would require the Issuer to become subject to the registration requirements of the Investment Company Act.

The Issuer represents and agrees that it (i) has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated any invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of section 21 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (“FSMA”)) received by them in connection with the issue or sale of any offered securities in circumstances in which section 21(1) of the FSMA does not apply to the Issuer and (ii) have complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA with respect to anything done by them in relation to the Preferred Shares in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom.

No invitation may be made to the public in the Cayman Islands to subscribe for the Preferred Shares.

Purchasers of Preferred Shares sold outside the United States may be required to pay stamp taxes and other charges in accordance with the laws and practices of the country of purchase in addition to the price charged to investors for the Preferred Shares.

The Preferred Shares are new securities for which there currently is no market. Accordingly, no assurance can be given as to the development or liquidity of any market for the Preferred Shares.

CERTAIN LEGAL MATTERS

Certain legal matters, including certain matters relating to certain United States federal income tax consequences of the ownership of the Preferred Shares, will be passed upon for the Issuer by Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, New York, New York. Certain legal matters relating to the Preferred Shares, including matters relating to the laws of the Cayman Islands will be passed on for the Issuer by Maples and Calder. As to all matters of Cayman Islands law, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP will rely on the opinions of Maples and Calder.

**EXHIBIT A**

NOTE OFFERING CIRCULAR



**ROCKWALL CDO LTD.  
ROCKWALL CDO (DELAWARE) CORP.**

**U.S.\$538,000,000 Class A-1LA Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021**  
**U.S.\$96,000,000 Class A-1LB Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021**  
**U.S.\$76,000,000 Class A-2L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021**  
**U.S.\$36,500,000 Class A-3L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021**  
**U.S.\$10,000,000 Class A-4L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021**  
**U.S.\$21,000,000 Class B-1L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021**  
**U.S.\$14,000,000 Class X Floating Rate Notes Due August 2013**

The Notes, consisting of the Class A-1LA Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021 (the "**Class A-1LA Notes**") in the aggregate principal amount of U.S.\$538,000,000, the Class A-1LB Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021 (the "**Class A-1LB Notes**" and, with the Class A-1LA Notes, the "**Class A-1L Notes**") in the aggregate principal amount of U.S.\$96,000,000, the Class A-2L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021 (the "**Class A-2L Notes**" and, with the Class A-1L Notes, the "**Senior Class A Notes**") in the aggregate principal amount of U.S.\$76,000,000, the Class A-3L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021 (the "**Class A-3L Notes**") in the aggregate principal amount of U.S. \$36,500,000, the Class A-4L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021 (the "**Class A-4L Notes**" and, with the Senior Class A Notes and the Class A-3L Notes, the "**Class A Notes**") in the aggregate principal amount of U.S.\$10,000,000, the Class B-1L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021 (the "**Class B-1L Notes**") in the aggregate principal amount of U.S.\$21,000,000 and the Class X Floating Rate Notes Due August 2013 (the "**Class X Notes**" and, with the Class B-1L Notes and the Class A Notes, the "**Notes**") in the aggregate principal amount of U.S.\$14,000,000 are being issued by Rockwall CDO Ltd. (the "**Issuer**").

It is a condition of issuance that the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes and the Class X Notes each be rated "AAA" by Standard & Poor's Ratings Services ("**S&P**") and "Aaa" by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("**Moody's**"), the Class A-2L Notes be rated at least "AA" by S&P and at least "Aa2" by Moody's, the Class A-3L Notes be rated at least "A" by S&P and at least "A2" by Moody's, the Class A-4L Notes be rated at least "A-" by S&P and at least "A3" by Moody's and the Class B-1L Notes be rated at least "BBB" by S&P and at least "Baa2" by Moody's. See "Ratings". Each of the ratings of the Notes described herein assume that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date.

Application may be made to the Irish Stock Exchange to admit the Notes to the Official List of the Irish Stock Exchange. There can be no assurance that such admission will be granted or maintained.

**For certain factors to be considered in connection with an investment in the Notes, see "Special Considerations" and "Notices to Purchasers."**

No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Recipient: \_\_\_\_\_

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The Notes are being offered in registered form to "qualified institutional buyers" within the meaning of Rule 144A ("**Rule 144A**") under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "**Securities Act**"), and to certain persons in transactions outside the United States in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act, all of whom (other than non-U.S. Persons purchasing in offshore transactions under Regulation S) are also "qualified purchasers" within the meaning of Section 3(c)(7) of the U.S. Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "**Investment Company Act**"). Settlement of the Notes will be made in immediately available funds.

THE NOTES HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT NOR HAS EITHER OF THE CO-ISSUERS BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT. THE NOTES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO U.S. PERSONS (AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT), EXCEPT TO "QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYERS" (AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT). THE NOTES MAY ALSO BE OFFERED OR SOLD TO CERTAIN PERSONS IN TRANSACTIONS OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN RELIANCE ON REGULATION S. THE NOTES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO U.S. PERSONS EXCEPT TO "QUALIFIED PURCHASERS" (WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT) IN A TRANSACTION THAT DOES NOT CAUSE EITHER OF THE CO-ISSUERS TO BE REQUIRED TO REGISTER UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT. FOR CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS ON RESALE SEE "DELIVERY OF THE NOTES; TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS; SETTLEMENT".

The Notes are offered by the Co-Issuers through Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. ("**Bear Stearns**" or the "**Initial Purchaser**") to prospective purchasers from time to time in negotiated transactions at varying prices to be determined in each case at the time of sale. The Notes are offered when, as and if issued by the Co-Issuers, subject to prior sale or withdrawal, cancellation or modification of the offer without notice and subject to approval of certain legal matters by counsel and certain other conditions. It is expected that delivery of the Notes will be made on or about [May 10], 2006 (the "**Closing Date**"), against payment in immediately available funds. See "Plan of Distribution."

The Notes of each Class sold to Non-U.S. Persons, if any, will be represented on the Closing Date by temporary global notes (the "**Temporary Regulation S Global Note(s)**"), which will be deposited with a custodian for and registered in the name of a nominee of The Depository Trust Company ("**DTC**") for the accounts of Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear System ("**Euroclear**") and Clearstream Banking, société anonyme ("**Clearstream**"). The Notes sold to U.S. Persons, if any, will be issued, sold and delivered in book-entry form only through the facilities of The Depository Trust Company.

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a recently formed exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands and will be co-issued by Rockwall CDO (Delaware) Corp., a recently formed Delaware corporation (the "**Co-Issuer**") and, together with the Issuer, the "**Co-Issuers**"), on a non-recourse basis as described herein. The Issuer will receive all of the net proceeds of the offering of the Notes, which, together with certain proceeds from the sale of the Preferred Shares (as defined herein) of the Issuer on the Closing Date (defined below) will be used by the Issuer to purchase, or commit to purchase, on and after the Closing Date and before the Effective Date (defined below) a portfolio of commercial loans (the "**Portfolio Loans**") and collateralized loan obligations (the "**CLO Securities**"), pledged to secure the Notes (together with the additional commercial loans and collateralized loan obligations, including synthetic securities, that will be purchased by the Issuer from time to time and pledged to secure the Notes and certain other obligations as described herein, the "**Portfolio Collateral**"). As described herein, the Portfolio Collateral will consist primarily of commercial loans and collateralized loan obligations that are rated below investment grade issued by U.S. and certain non-U.S. issuers and that satisfy the criteria described herein.

The Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes and the Class X Notes will provide for the payment of Periodic Interest (as defined herein) (to the extent of funds available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period (as defined herein) at the rate of 0.30%, 0.50%, 0.65%, 1.40%, 1.70%, 2.25% and 0.36% *per annum*, respectively, above the London interbank offered rate for three-month U.S. dollar deposits (or, for the period from the Closing Date to the first Payment Date, as described herein) ("**LIBOR**") (determined as described herein). Such payments are in each case to be made at the times and subject to the priority of payments described herein.

The Final Maturity Dates of the Notes (other than the Class X Notes) are subject to multiple extensions to the applicable Extended Final Maturity Date if the Issuer provides timely notice and the Extension Conditions are satisfied as described herein.

Principal of the Notes will be payable at the times, in the amounts, and subject to the priority of payment provisions described herein. **The Notes are subject to redemption at the times and under the circumstances described herein, including, without limitation, Initial Deposit Redemption, O/C Redemption (other than with respect to the Class X Notes), Optional Redemption, Special Redemption (other than with respect to the Class X Notes), Tax Event Redemption and Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption as described herein.**

The Notes are non-recourse obligations of the Co-Issuers, payable solely from the Trust Estate as described herein. The Class B-1L Notes are subordinated to the Class A Notes and the Class X Notes, the Class A-4L Notes are subordinated to the Class A-3L Notes, the Senior Class A Notes and the Class X Notes, the Class A-3L Notes are subordinated to the Senior Class A Notes and the Class X Notes, the Class A-2L Notes are subordinated to the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes and the Class A-1LB Notes are subordinated to the Class A-1LA Notes, in each case to the extent described herein. To the extent the assets of the Trust Estate are insufficient to pay in full all amounts due on the Notes, the Co-Issuers shall have no further obligations in respect of the Notes and any sums outstanding and unpaid shall be extinguished.

## NOTICES TO PURCHASERS

THE NOTES HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY OTHER JURISDICTION AND MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED WITHIN THE UNITED STATES, OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, UNITED STATES PERSONS, UNLESS A REGISTRATION STATEMENT WITH RESPECT THERETO IS THEN EFFECTIVE UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OR AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND APPLICABLE STATE SECURITIES LAWS IS AVAILABLE. THE CO-ISSUERS HAVE NO OBLIGATION OR CURRENT INTENTION TO EFFECT SUCH REGISTRATION. THE CO-ISSUERS ARE RELYING ON AN EXCLUSION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT, PURSUANT TO THE EXEMPTIONS PROVIDED IN RULE 3a-7 AND/OR SECTION 3(c)(7) UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT, AND NO TRANSFER OF A NOTE MAY BE MADE WHICH WOULD CAUSE THE CO-ISSUERS TO BECOME SUBJECT TO THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT. THE NOTES ARE ALSO SUBJECT TO CERTAIN OTHER RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFER DESCRIBED HEREIN. PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS OF THE NOTES SHOULD PROCEED ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT THEY MUST HOLD THEIR INVESTMENT FOR AN INDEFINITE PERIOD OF TIME.

THE PURCHASER OF A NOTE, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE THEREOF, REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER SUCH NOTE EXCEPT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT AND OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS AND EXCEPT (A) IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, WHOM THE SELLER HAS INFORMED, IN EACH CASE, THAT THE RESALE, PLEDGE OR OTHER TRANSFER IS BEING MADE IN RELIANCE ON RULE 144A, PROVIDED THAT SUCH PURCHASER DELIVERS ALL DOCUMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS AS THE CO-ISSUERS OR THE TRUSTEE MAY REASONABLY REQUEST; (B) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 903 OR 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, PROVIDED THAT SUCH PURCHASER DELIVERS ALL DOCUMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS AS THE CO-ISSUERS OR THE TRUSTEE MAY REASONABLY REQUEST; OR (C) TO THE CO-ISSUERS OR THEIR AFFILIATES, IN EACH CASE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANY APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAW OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER JURISDICTION. IN ADDITION, THE PURCHASER OF A NOTE, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE THEREOF, REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER SUCH NOTE OTHER THAN TO A NON-U.S. PERSON IN AN "OFFSHORE TRANSACTION" IN COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATION S EXCEPT TO A "QUALIFIED PURCHASER" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT IN A TRANSACTION THAT DOES NOT CAUSE THE CO-ISSUERS TO BE REQUIRED TO REGISTER UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT AND WILL ALSO BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE REPRESENTATIONS SET FORTH UNDER "DELIVERY OF THE NOTES; TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS; SETTLEMENT." FURTHER, THE NOTES MAY NOT BE SOLD OR TRANSFERRED UNLESS SUCH SALE OR TRANSFER WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE"). THE CLASS B-1L NOTES MAY NOT BE SOLD OR TRANSFERRED TO ANY PLAN SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, OR TO ANY PERSON ACTING ON BEHALF OF OR WITH "PLAN ASSETS" OF ANY SUCH PLAN, INCLUDING AN INSURANCE COMPANY GENERAL ACCOUNT, UNLESS THE PURCHASER OR TRANSFEREE IS ELIGIBLE FOR THE EXEMPTIVE RELIEF AVAILABLE UNDER PTCE 96-23, 95-60, 91-38, 90-1 OR 84-14.

THE NOTES ARE NON-RECOURSE OBLIGATIONS OF THE CO-ISSUERS. PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE NOTES WILL BE PAID SOLELY FROM AND TO THE EXTENT OF THE AVAILABLE PROCEEDS FROM THE DISTRIBUTIONS ON THE PORTFOLIO COLLATERAL AND, UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, AMOUNTS ON DEPOSIT IN THE INITIAL DEPOSIT ACCOUNT, WHICH ARE THE ONLY SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL OF, INTEREST ON AND OTHER AMOUNTS PAYABLE IN

RESPECT OF THE NOTES. TO THE EXTENT SUCH SOURCES OF PAYMENT ARE INSUFFICIENT TO PAY IN FULL ALL AMOUNTS DUE ON THE NOTES, THE CO-ISSUERS SHALL HAVE NO FURTHER OBLIGATIONS IN RESPECT OF THE NOTES AND ANY SUMS OUTSTANDING AND UNPAID SHALL BE EXTINGUISHED.

FOR THESE REASONS, AMONG OTHERS, AN INVESTMENT IN THE NOTES IS NOT SUITABLE FOR ALL INVESTORS AND IS APPROPRIATE ONLY FOR AN INVESTOR CAPABLE OF (A) ANALYZING AND ASSESSING THE RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH DEFAULTS, LOSSES AND RECOVERIES ON, APPLICATION OF PROCEEDS OF AND OTHER CHARACTERISTICS OF, DEBT SECURITIES SUCH AS THE PORTFOLIO COLLATERAL, AND (B) BEARING SUCH RISKS AND FINANCIAL CONSEQUENCES THEREOF AS THEY RELATE TO AN INVESTMENT IN THE NOTES.

EACH PURCHASER OF A NOTE BY ITS ACCEPTANCE THEREOF ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT IS USING ITS INDEPENDENT JUDGMENT IN ASSESSING THE OPPORTUNITIES AND RISKS PRESENTED BY THE NOTES FOR ITS INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO AND IN DETERMINING WHETHER THE ACQUISITION IS SUITABLE AND COMPLIES WITH SUCH PURCHASER'S INVESTMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES.

EXCEPT AS SET FORTH IN THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR, NO PERSON IS AUTHORIZED TO GIVE ANY INFORMATION OR TO MAKE ANY REPRESENTATION NOT CONTAINED IN THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR AND, IF GIVEN OR MADE, SUCH INFORMATION OR REPRESENTATION MUST NOT BE RELIED UPON. THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO SELL OR THE SOLICITATION OF AN OFFER TO BUY ANY OF THE NOTES OFFERED HEREBY IN ANY JURISDICTION TO ANY PERSON TO WHICH IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE SUCH OFFER IN SUCH JURISDICTION NOR TO ANY PERSON WHO HAS NOT RECEIVED A COPY OF EACH CURRENT AMENDMENT OR SUPPLEMENT HERETO, IF ANY.

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THE NOTES ARE BEING OFFERED ONLY TO A LIMITED NUMBER OF INVESTORS (ALL OF WHICH ARE REQUIRED TO BE QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYERS OR INVESTORS WHO ARE OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S OF THE SECURITIES ACT) THAT ARE WILLING AND ABLE TO CONDUCT AN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION OF THE CHARACTERISTICS OF THE NOTES AND RISKS OF OWNERSHIP OF THE NOTES. IT IS EXPECTED THAT PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN THIS OFFERING WILL CONDUCT AN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION OF THE RISKS POSED BY AN INVESTMENT IN THE NOTES. OFFICERS AND OTHER REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CO-ISSUERS AND THE INITIAL PURCHASER WILL BE AVAILABLE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE CO-ISSUERS, THE NOTES AND THE COLLATERAL AND WILL, UPON REQUEST, MAKE AVAILABLE SUCH OTHER INFORMATION AS INVESTORS MAY REASONABLY REQUEST.

THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR IS NOT INTENDED TO FURNISH LEGAL, REGULATORY, TAX, ACCOUNTING, INVESTMENT OR OTHER ADVICE TO ANY PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER OF THE NOTES. THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR SHOULD BE REVIEWED BY EACH PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER AND ITS LEGAL, REGULATORY, TAX, ACCOUNTING, INVESTMENT AND OTHER ADVISORS.

INVESTORS WHOSE INVESTMENT AUTHORITY IS SUBJECT TO LEGAL RESTRICTIONS SHOULD CONSULT THEIR OWN LEGAL ADVISORS TO DETERMINE WHETHER AND TO WHAT EXTENT THE NOTES CONSTITUTE LEGAL INVESTMENTS FOR THEM.

NO INVITATION MAY BE MADE TO THE PUBLIC IN THE CAYMAN ISLANDS TO SUBSCRIBE FOR THE NOTES.

THE INITIAL PURCHASER AND THE CO-ISSUERS: (A) HAVE ONLY COMMUNICATED OR CAUSED TO BE COMMUNICATED AND WILL ONLY COMMUNICATE OR CAUSE TO BE COMMUNICATED ANY INVITATION OR INDUCEMENT TO ENGAGE IN INVESTMENT ACTIVITY (WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 21 OF THE FINANCIAL SERVICES AND MARKETS ACT 2000 ("FSMA")) RECEIVED BY THEM IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUE OR SALE OF ANY OFFERED SECURITIES IN CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH SECTION 21(1) OF THE FSMA DOES NOT APPLY TO THE ISSUER; AND (B) HAVE COMPLIED AND WILL COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE FSMA WITH RESPECT TO ANYTHING DONE BY THEM IN RELATION TO THE OFFERED SECURITIES IN, FROM OR OTHERWISE INVOLVING THE UNITED KINGDOM.

NEITHER THE FACT THAT A REGISTRATION STATEMENT OR AN APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE HAS BEEN FILED UNDER CHAPTER 421-B OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE REVISED STATUTES WITH THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE NOR THE FACT THAT A SECURITY IS EFFECTIVELY REGISTERED OR A PERSON IS LICENSED IN THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CONSTITUTES A FINDING BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE THAT ANY DOCUMENT FILED UNDER RSA 421-B IS TRUE, COMPLETE AND NOT MISLEADING. NEITHER ANY SUCH FACT NOR THE FACT THAT AN EXEMPTION OR EXCEPTION IS AVAILABLE FOR A SECURITY OR A TRANSACTION MEANS THAT THE SECRETARY OF STATE HAS PASSED IN ANY WAY UPON THE MERITS OR QUALIFICATIONS OF OR RECOMMENDED OR GIVEN APPROVAL TO, ANY PERSON, SECURITY OR TRANSACTION. IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE, OR CAUSE TO BE MADE, TO ANY PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER, CUSTOMER, OR CLIENT ANY REPRESENTATION INCONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PARAGRAPH.

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THE TRUSTEE AND ITS AFFILIATES HAVE NOT PARTICIPATED IN THE PREPARATION OF THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR AND DO NOT ASSUME ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR ITS CONTENTS.

#### **AVAILABLE INFORMATION**

To permit compliance with Rule 144A under the Securities Act for resales of Notes, the Co-Issuers will make available to Holders and prospective purchasers who request such information, the information required to be delivered under Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act if at the time of the request either the Issuer or the Co-Issuer is not a reporting company under Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act or if either the Issuer or the Co-Issuer is not exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act. Copies of all such documents may be obtained free of charge from the office of the Trustee or the Irish Paying Agent. Neither of the Co-Issuers expects to become such a reporting company or to be so exempt from reporting.

## CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR SUMMARY

The following summary is qualified in its entirety by reference to the more detailed information appearing elsewhere in this Confidential Offering Circular and the documents referred to herein. A glossary (the "**Glossary**") of certain defined terms used herein appears as Annex A to this Confidential Offering Circular.

### The Issuer

Rockwall CDO Ltd., a recently formed limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the "**Issuer**"). The activities of the Issuer will be limited to (i) the acquisition and disposition of Portfolio Collateral and other assets permitted by the Indenture, (ii) the issuance of the Notes, which will be secured by the Portfolio Collateral and certain other assets pledged by the Issuer under the Indenture, (iii) the issuance of the Preferred Shares, and (iv) other activities incidental to the foregoing, including the ownership of 100% of the stock of the Co-Issuer.

### The Co-Issuer

Rockwall CDO (Delaware) Corp., a recently formed Delaware corporation (the "**Co-Issuer**" and, together with the Issuer, the "**Co-Issuers**"). The Co-Issuer will have no substantial assets.

### Securities Offered

U.S.\$538,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Class A-1LA Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 1, 2021 (the "**Class A-1LA Notes**"), U.S. \$96,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Class A-1LB Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 1, 2021 (the "**Class A-1LB Notes**" and, together with the Class A-1LA Notes, the "**Class A-1L Notes**") U.S.\$76,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Class A-2L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 1, 2021 (the "**Class A-2L Notes**" and, with the Class A-1L Notes, the "**Senior Class A Notes**"), U.S.\$36,500,000 aggregate principal amount of Class A-3L Floating Rate Notes Extendable Due August 1, 2021 (the "**Class A-3L Notes**"), U.S. \$10,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Class A-4L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 1, 2021 (the "**Class A-4L Notes**" and, with the Senior Class A Notes and the Class A-3L Notes, the "**Class A Notes**"), U.S.\$21,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Class B-1L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 1, 2021 (the "**Class B-1L Notes**") and U.S.\$14,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Class X Floating Rate Notes Due August 1, 2013 (the "**Class X Notes**" and, together with the Class B-1L Notes and the Class A Notes, the "**Notes**").

The Notes will be issued on the Closing Date pursuant to an indenture (the "**Indenture**"), to be dated as of May 10, 2006, among the Co-Issuers and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as trustee (the "**Trustee**") and as securities intermediary. **The Notes will be non-recourse obligations of the Co-Issuers and all amounts payable in respect of the Notes will be paid solely from and to the extent of the available proceeds from the Trust Estate. To the extent the assets of the Trust Estate are insufficient to pay all amounts due on the Notes, the Co-Issuers shall have no further obligations in respect of the Notes and any sums outstanding and unpaid shall be extinguished.**

On the Closing Date, the Issuer will also issue its Class I Preferred Shares (the "**Class I Preferred Shares**") and its Class II Preferred Shares (the "**Class II Preferred Shares**" and, together with the Class I Preferred Shares, the "**Preferred Shares**"). The Preferred Shares are not offered hereby. On the Closing Date, Rockwall Investors Corp. ("**Investor Corp.**") is expected to purchase 100% of the Class I Preferred Shares of the Issuer and will issue an equivalent number of its preferred shares to third party investors and

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Final Maturity Date

The August 1, 2021 Payment Date with respect to the Notes (or, in the case of the Class X Notes, the August 1, 2013 Payment Date) or such earlier date as the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Notes is paid in full; *provided that*, the Final Maturity Dates of the Notes (other than the Class X Notes) are extendable upon a Maturity Extension (if any) as described herein, in which case the Final Maturity Date of such Notes will be extended to the applicable Extended Final Maturity Date. See "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date".

Use of Proceeds

The proceeds from the sale of the Notes (the date of such sale being referred to herein as the "**Closing Date**"), together with certain proceeds from the sale of the Preferred Shares will be used by the Issuer (i) to fund the purchase (or the entering into of binding commitments to purchase) of a diversified pool of at least U.S.\$765,000,000 (the "**Initial Portfolio Collateral Amount**") in aggregate principal amount of commercial loans and collateralized loan obligations which will be pledged on the Closing Date as security for the Notes (the "**Initial Portfolio Collateral**" and, together with all other commercial loans and collateralized loan obligations, including synthetic securities, purchased by the Issuer from time to time and pledged to secure the Notes as described herein, the "**Portfolio Collateral**"), (ii) to fund the deposit (the "**Deposit**") in an account with the Trustee (the "**Initial Deposit Account**") on the Closing Date of cash in an amount, which, together with the Initial Portfolio Collateral Amount, is expected as of such date to enable the Issuer to purchase, or commit to purchase, on or before September 10, 2006 (the "**Effective Date**") an Aggregate Principal Amount of Original Portfolio Collateral equal to at least U.S.\$850,000,000 (the "**Required Portfolio Collateral Amount**"), which amount will be held in Eligible Investments pending the purchase of additional Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date, subject to certain restrictions set forth in the Indenture as described below, (iii) to fund the deposit in an account with the Trustee (the "**Expense Reimbursement Account**") on the Closing Date of U.S.\$50,000, which amount will be available for payment from time to time of future expenses of the Issuer pending the receipt of collections in respect of the Portfolio Collateral as described herein, (iv) to fund an account with the Trustee (the "**Closing Expense Account**") on the Closing Date, which will be used to pay fees and other expenses related to the transaction, and (v) an amount equal to U.S.\$1,600,000 to fund a portion of amounts payable by the Issuer on any Payment Date (the "**Reserve Amount**") in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Portfolio Collateral purchased or committed to be purchased on or before the Effective Date is referred to herein as "**Original Portfolio Collateral**." Portfolio Collateral purchased by the Issuer with Collections is referred to herein as "**Additional Portfolio Collateral**," and Portfolio Collateral purchased by the Issuer with Collateral Disposition Proceeds from the disposition of Portfolio Collateral after the Closing Date is referred to herein as "**Substitute Portfolio Collateral**."

Form, Denominations and  
Record Dates

The Notes of each Class offered and sold outside the United States pursuant to Regulation S under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "**Securities Act**"), initially will be evidenced by a temporary global note which will be exchangeable for a permanent global note with respect to such Class as described herein. The Notes sold to Qualified Institutional Buyers (as defined herein) pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act will be issued in book-entry form only through the facilities of The Depository Trust



Company.

Subject to the foregoing, the Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$200,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1 in excess thereof. No Notes will be issued in bearer form. The Notes are subject to certain restrictions on transfer. The record date (the "**Record Date**") for each Payment Date (including the Final Maturity Date) (as each such term is defined below) is the Business Day immediately preceding such Payment Date; *provided, however*, if Definitive Notes are issued, the Record Date for such Definitive Notes shall be the fifteenth calendar day preceding such Payment Date.

#### Class A-1L Notes

*General.* The Co-Issuers expect to issue approximately U.S.\$538,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of Class A-1LA Notes and U.S. \$96,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of Class A-1LB Notes, each to be secured by the Portfolio Collateral pursuant to the Indenture.

*Interest.* The Class A-1L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest ("**Periodic Interest**" with respect to the Class A-1L Notes) (to the extent of funds available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period (as defined herein) at the rate of 0.30% with respect to the Class A-1LA Notes and 0.50% with respect to the Class A-1LB Notes, *per annum* above the London interbank offered rate for three-month U.S. dollar deposits (or, for the period from the Closing Date to the first Payment Date, as described herein) ("**LIBOR**") (determined as described herein) (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class A-1LA Notes and Class A-1LB Notes, respectively) on the 1st day of November, February, May and August of each year or, if any such day is not a Business Day, then on the next succeeding Business Day (each such date, a "**Payment Date**"), commencing on November 1, 2006. Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed. Payments of interest to the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Payment will be payable *pari passu* among the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes as described herein.

*Principal.* No principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-1L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of an Initial Deposit Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-1L Notes as described herein. On each Payment Date with respect to the Amortization Period, the principal of the Class A-1L Notes will be payable (to the extent of funds available therefor and in the order of priority described herein) first to the Class A-1LA Notes and then to the Class A-1LB Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes has been paid in full. The Class A-1LB Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Class A-1LA Notes to the extent described herein. In addition, all payments of principal on the Class A-1LA Notes that are made in connection with an Initial Deposit Redemption, a Rating Confirmation Failure, a Tax Event Redemption or an Optional Redemption will be paid on a *pro rata* basis with the Class X Notes as described herein. All outstanding principal of the Class A-1L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date.

#### Class A-2L Notes

*General.* The Co-Issuers expect to issue approximately U.S.\$76,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of Class A-2L Notes to be secured by the

Portfolio Collateral pursuant to the Indenture.

***Interest.* No interest will be payable in respect of the Class A-2L Notes on any Payment Date unless the Holders of the Class A-1L Notes have been paid the Cumulative Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date, the Holders of the Class X Notes have been paid the Cumulative Class X Payment due to them on such Payment Date and, in the case of the Final Maturity Date, until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full.**

The Class A-2L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest ("**Periodic Interest**" with respect to the Class A-2L Notes) (to the extent of funds available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the rate of 0.65% *per annum* above LIBOR (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class A-2L Notes) on each Payment Date, commencing on the November 1, 2006 Payment Date. Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed.

***Principal.*** No principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-2L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption (in whole or in part) of the Class A-2L Notes. In connection with a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption, a Total Optional Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption, no principal in respect of the Class A-2L Notes will be payable until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes (other than with respect to a Special Redemption or an O/C Redemption) have been paid in full. On each Payment Date with respect to the Amortization Period after the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full, principal of the Class A-2L Notes will be payable (to the extent of funds available therefor and in the order of priority described herein) until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2L Notes has been paid in full. All outstanding principal of the Class A-2L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date. The Class A-2L Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes to the extent described herein.

#### Class A-3L Notes

***General.*** The Co-Issuers expect to issue approximately U.S.\$36,500,000 in aggregate principal amount of Class A-3L Notes to be secured by the Portfolio Collateral pursuant to the Indenture.

***Interest.* No interest will be payable on the Class A-3L Notes on any Payment Date unless the Holders of the Class A-1L Notes and the Class A-2L Notes have been paid the Cumulative Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date, the Holders of the Class X Notes have been paid the Cumulative Class X Payment due to them on such Payment Date, and, in the case of the Final Maturity Date, until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Senior Class A Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full.**

The Class A-3L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest ("**Periodic Interest**" with respect to the Class A-3L Notes) (to the extent of funds available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest

Accrual Period at the rate of 1.40% *per annum* above LIBOR (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class A-3L Notes) on each Payment Date commencing on the November 1, 2006 Payment Date. The failure to pay in full Periodic Interest on the Class A-3L Notes as a result of insufficient funds being available therefor will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Senior Class A Notes or Class X Notes are Outstanding. Any shortfall in the payment of Periodic Interest to the Class A-3L Notes on any Payment Date will be payable, together with interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate, on one or more subsequent Payment Dates (to the extent funds are available therefor and subject to the priority of distribution provisions described herein). Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed.

*Principal.* No principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-3L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-3L Notes. On each Payment Date with respect to the Amortization Period after the Class A-1L Notes, Class A-2L Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full, principal of the Class A-3L Notes will be payable (to the extent of funds available therefor and in the order of priority described herein) until the Payment Date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes has been paid in full. In connection with a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption, a Total Optional Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption, no principal in respect of the Class A-3L Notes will be payable until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes, the Class A-2L Notes and (other than with respect to an O/C Redemption or a Special Redemption) the Class X Notes have been paid in full. All outstanding principal of the Class A-3L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date. The Class A-3L Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Senior Class A Notes and the Class X Notes to the extent described herein.

#### Class A-4L Notes

*General.* The Co-Issuers expect to issue approximately U.S.\$10,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of Class A-4L Notes to be secured by the Portfolio Collateral pursuant to the Indenture.

*Interest.* **No interest will be payable on the Class A-4L Notes on any Payment Date unless the Holders of the Class A-1L Notes and the Class A-2L Notes have been paid the Cumulative Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date, the Holders of the Class A-3L Notes have been paid the Periodic Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date, the Holders of the Class X Notes have been paid the Cumulative Class X Payment due to them on such Payment Date, and, in the case of the Final Maturity Date, until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-3L Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full.**

The Class A-4L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest ("**Periodic Interest**" with respect to the Class A-4L Notes) (to the extent of funds available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the rate of 1.70% *per annum* above LIBOR (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class A-4L Notes) on each Payment Date commencing on the November 1, 2006 Payment Date. The failure to pay in full Periodic Interest on the Class A-4L Notes as a result of

insufficient funds being available therefor will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-3L Notes or Class X Notes are Outstanding. Any shortfall in the payment of Periodic Interest to the Class A-4L Notes on any Payment Date will be payable, together with interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate, on one or more subsequent Payment Dates (to the extent funds are available therefor and subject to the priority of distribution provisions described herein). Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed.

*Principal.* No principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-4L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-4L Notes. On each Payment Date with respect to the Amortization Period after the Class A-1L Notes, Class A-2L Notes, Class A-3L Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full, principal of the Class A-4L Notes will be payable (to the extent of funds available therefor and in the order of priority described herein) until the Payment Date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-4L Notes has been paid in full. In connection with a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption, a Total Optional Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption, no principal in respect of the Class A-4L Notes will be payable until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, Class A-3L Notes and (other than with respect to an O/C Redemption or a Special Redemption) the Class X Notes have been paid in full. All outstanding principal of the Class A-4L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date. The Class A-4L Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-3L Notes and the Class X Notes to the extent described herein.

#### Class B-1L Notes

*General.* The Co-Issuers expect to issue approximately U.S.\$21,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of Class B-1L Notes to be secured by the Portfolio Collateral pursuant to the Indenture.

*Interest.* **No interest will be payable on the Class B-1L Notes on any Payment Date unless the Holders of the Class A-1L Notes and the Class A-2L Notes have been paid the Cumulative Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date, the Holders of the Class A-3L Notes and the Class A-4L Notes have been paid the Periodic Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date, the Holders of the Class X Notes have been paid the Cumulative Class X Payment due to them on such Payment Date, the Overcollateralization Tests with respect to the Class A Notes and the Interest Coverage Test have been satisfied, and, in the case of the Final Maturity Date, until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full.**

The Class B-1L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest ("Periodic Interest" with respect to the Class B-1L Notes) (to the extent funds are available therefor and in the order of priority described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the rate of 2.25% *per annum* above LIBOR (the "Applicable Periodic Rate" with respect to the Class B-1L Notes) on each Payment Date commencing on the November 1, 2006 Payment Date. The failure to pay in full Periodic Interest on the Class B-1L Notes as a result of insufficient funds being available therefor will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Class A Notes or Class X Notes

are Outstanding. Any shortfall in the payment of Periodic Interest to the Class B-1L Notes on any Payment Date will be payable, together with interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate, on one or more subsequent Payment Dates (to the extent that funds are available therefor and subject to the priority of distribution provisions described herein). Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed.

*Principal.* No principal will be payable in respect of the Class B-1L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full, except with respect to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement. Principal payments are not expected to begin until the commencement of the Amortization Period (except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class B-1L Notes or in connection with the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement) and are to continue until the Payment Date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes has been paid in full. In connection with a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption, a Total Optional Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption, no principal in respect of the Class B-1L Notes will be payable until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes and (other than with respect to an O/C Redemption or a Special Redemption) the Class X Notes have been paid in full. All outstanding principal of the Class B-1L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date. The Class B-1L Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Class A Notes and the Class X Notes to the extent described herein.

#### Class X Notes

*General.* The Co-Issuers expect to issue approximately U.S.\$14,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of Class X Notes to be secured by the Portfolio Collateral pursuant to the Indenture.

*Class X Payment.* The Class X Notes will provide for a periodic payment (the "**Class X Interest Payment**") (to the extent of funds available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the rate of 0.36% per annum above LIBOR (the "**Class X Periodic Interest Rate**") on each Payment Date, commencing on the November 1, 2006 Payment Date through and including the August 1, 2013 Payment Date. Such amount may be reduced in connection with a redemption of the Class X Notes, as set forth in the Indenture. Any shortfall in the payment of the Class X Payment to the Class X Notes on any Payment Date will be payable, together with interest thereon at the Class X Periodic Interest Rate, on one or more subsequent Payment Dates (to the extent funds are available therefor and subject to the priority of distribution provisions described herein). Any such interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed. Payments of interest to the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Payment will be payable *pari passu* among the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes as described herein.

Payments of principal on the Class X Notes that are made in connection with an Initial Deposit Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption, an Optional Redemption or a Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption will be paid on a *pro rata* basis with the Class A-1LA Notes as described herein. The Class X Notes are not subject to an O/C Redemption or a Special Redemption. The Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class X Notes will be reduced on each Payment Date by the Class X Principal Payment for such Payment Date beginning on November 1, 2007, in accordance with the amortization

schedule provided in the Indenture. The Class X Principal Payment will be made from available Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections. The Holders of the Class X Notes are entitled to receive the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class X Notes on the Final Maturity Date, whether such Final Maturity Date occurs in connection with a redemption of the Class X Notes as described herein or otherwise.

Application of Funds

On each Payment Date and on the Final Maturity Date, Collateral Interest Collections and Collateral Principal Collections, to the extent of Available Funds in the Collection Account, will be applied by the Trustee in the manner and order of priority set forth herein under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions."

Overcollateralization Tests

The "**Overcollateralization Tests**" are applicable until the Notes are retired and all amounts payable in respect thereof are paid, and are satisfied if the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class A Overcollateralization Percentage (the "**Class A Overcollateralization Test**") and the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Percentage (the "**Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test**").

Applicability of Overcollateralization Tests

At any time that any of the Notes are Outstanding, if on any Calculation Date related to a Payment Date any Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, amounts that are junior in right of payment to such Overcollateralization Test, as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", will be applied to the redemption of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes (or, in the case of the Class B-1L Notes, first to pay accrued and unpaid interest from prior Payment Dates, then to pay principal) until each such Class is paid in full, in the order and according to the priorities described herein, to the extent necessary to satisfy such Overcollateralization Test, in accordance with the provisions described herein. In addition, generally, satisfaction or, in certain cases, maintenance of the Overcollateralization Tests is a condition to the purchase or sale of Portfolio Collateral during certain specified periods.

Interest Coverage Test

The "**Interest Coverage Test**" is applicable on each Payment Date after the second Payment Date and on certain measurement dates after the second Payment Date, and is satisfied if the Interest Coverage Ratio (as described under "Description of the Notes—Interest Coverage Test") is at least 1.5%.

Applicability of Interest Coverage Test

At any time after the second Payment Date, if on any Calculation Date related to a Payment Date the Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, amounts that are junior in right of payment to the Interest Coverage Test as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", will be applied to the redemption of the Class A Notes until each such Class is paid in full, in the order and according to the priorities described herein, to the extent necessary to satisfy the Interest Coverage Test in accordance with the provisions described herein. In addition, satisfaction of the Interest Coverage Test on the prior Payment Date is a condition to certain purchases and sales of Portfolio Collateral during certain specified periods as described herein.

Additional Collateral  
Deposit Requirement

As described under "Description of the Notes—Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement," even if the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test are satisfied, on each Payment Date after the second Payment Date, Collateral Interest Collections that would otherwise be used for payments that are junior in right of payment to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", will be applied (i) during the Revolving Period, to the payment of principal of the Class B-1L Notes and to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral, as described herein, and (ii) during the Amortization Period, to the payment of principal of the Class B-1L Note and to the payment of principal of each Class of Notes, in each case, in the order and according to the priorities described herein, in an amount equal to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement as described herein.

Rating Confirmation Failure

The Issuer will request that each Rating Agency confirm after the Effective Date that it has not reduced or withdrawn (and not restored) the ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes (a "**Rating Confirmation**"). If the Issuer is unable to obtain a Rating Confirmation by the 35th day after the Effective Date (a "**Rating Confirmation Failure**"), on the next Payment Date and on each subsequent Payment Date during the Revolving Period, amounts that are junior in right of payment to such Rating Confirmation Failure, as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", will be applied to the redemption of the Notes (or, in the case of the Class B-1L Notes, first to pay accrued and unpaid interest from prior Payment Dates, then to pay principal) until each such Class is paid in full, in the order and according to the priorities described herein (a "**Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption**"), to the extent necessary to receive a Rating Confirmation, in accordance with the provisions described herein.

O/C Redemption

If on the Calculation Date related to any Payment Date any Overcollateralization Test or, after the second Payment Date, the Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, amounts that are junior in right of payment to such test as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", will be applied by the Issuer to the redemption of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes (or, in the case of the Class B-1L Notes, first to pay accrued and unpaid interest from prior Payment Dates, then to pay principal) until each such Class is paid in full, in each case on a *pro rata* basis among the Noteholders of the applicable Class and in the order and according to the priorities described herein (an "**O/C Redemption**") to the extent necessary to satisfy the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test, as applicable. See "Description of the Notes—O/C Redemption." A redemption of the Notes through a Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption or an O/C Redemption is sometimes referred to herein as a "**Mandatory Redemption**." The Class X Notes are not subject to O/C Redemption, but are subject to Rating Confirmation Failure.

Initial Deposit Redemption

To the extent that the full amount of the Deposit is not used to purchase or commit to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral having an Aggregate Principal Amount (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to the Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date) at least equal to the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount in accordance with the guidelines described herein on or before the

Effective Date, an amount (not in excess of the unused amount of the Deposit) equal to the difference between the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount and the par amount of Portfolio Collateral actually acquired (or committed to be acquired) (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to the Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date) will be applied by the Issuer on the November 2006 Payment Date (the "**Initial Deposit Redemption Date**") to principal payments of the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class X Notes, on a *pro rata* basis (an "**Initial Deposit Redemption**"), except, if the amount of the Deposit not so used to purchase or commit to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral does not exceed U.S.\$2,000,000 in the aggregate, such amount will be transferred to the Collection Account on the Effective Date and applied as Collateral Principal Collections. See "Description of the Notes—Initial Deposit Redemption."

#### Special Redemption

The Notes (other than the Class X Notes) are redeemable in part at the option of the Issuer, as directed by and at the discretion of the Servicer, on one or more Payment Dates during the Revolving Period, to the extent the Issuer is unable to reinvest more than U.S.\$2,000,000 of principal collections in Additional Portfolio Collateral selected by the Servicer and satisfying the criteria described herein for at least ninety days after receipt, in an amount of at least U.S.\$2,000,000. See "Description of the Notes—Special Redemption."

#### Optional Redemption

The Notes are redeemable in whole or in part (an "**Optional Redemption**") at the option of the Issuer at the direction of (i) at least 75% of the Preferred Shares eligible to vote (including any Class II Preferred Shares held by Highland Financial Partners L.P. or an affiliate or subsidiary thereof ("**HFP**") and any other Preferred Shares held by the Servicer, entities affiliated with the Servicer or clients of the Servicer (collectively, the "**Servicer Entities**") up to a maximum amount equal to the amount of Class II Preferred Shares acquired by HFP on the Closing Date ("**Original HFP Share Amount**"), but excluding any other Preferred Shares beneficially owned or controlled by the Servicer Entities which shall be deemed ineligible to vote) in the case of an Optional Redemption in whole (a "**Total Optional Redemption**"), and (ii) at least 10% of the Preferred Shares eligible to vote (any Class II Preferred Shares held by HFP or any other Preferred Shares beneficially owned or controlled by any other Servicer Entities shall be deemed ineligible to vote) in the case of an Optional Redemption in part (a "**Partial Optional Redemption**"), in the case of either (i) or (ii) above on any Payment Date on or after the Payment Date occurring on August 1, 2010 (the "**Optional Redemption Date**," which date shall then be considered the Final Maturity Date in the case of a Total Optional Redemption at a price equal to the Optional Redemption Price. See "Description of the Notes—Optional Redemption."

#### Tax Event Redemption

The Notes are redeemable, at the option of the Issuer, acting at the direction of at least a Majority of the Preferred Shares or a majority of the Controlling Class (but only if the Aggregate Principal Balance of Portfolio Collateral is less than 100% of the Class A-1L Notes) (a "**Tax Event Redemption**"), in whole but not in part, at a price equal to the Tax Event Redemption Price if as a result of a change in tax law, rule or regulation or the interpretation thereof, the payments to be received on the Portfolio Collateral are reduced as a result of the imposition of withholding tax or the Issuer is otherwise subjected to tax such that the income of the Issuer is reduced in an amount determined by such Holders of the Preferred Shares to be material. See "Description of the



## Notes—Tax Event Redemption."

Amendment Buy-Out

In the case of any supplemental indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of the Notes or Preferred Shares, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from all Non-Consenting Holders all Notes and Preferred Shares held by such Holders whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture, with certain exceptions as set forth in "Legal Structure—The Indenture; Amendment Buy-Out" (the "**Amendment Buy-Out Option**") for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all Notes and Preferred Shares of Non-Consenting Holders (an "**Amendment Buy-Out**"). By its acceptance of a Note or Preferred Share, each such Holder agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its Notes or Preferred Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser. See "Legal Structure—The Indenture; Amendment Buy-Out."

All purchases made pursuant to the Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Notes set forth in "Delivery of the Notes; Transfer Restrictions; Settlement" herein and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

Security for the Notes

The Notes are non-recourse obligations of the Co-Issuers, with recourse therefor limited solely to any funds and other assets available in the Trust Estate, including the Portfolio Collateral and the proceeds therefrom. All payments on the Notes are subject to the priority of distribution provisions described herein.

The Notes will be secured by the Trust Estate, consisting of substantially all property of the Issuer, including the Portfolio Collateral, the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Expense Account, the Reserve Account, each Default Swap Collateral Account and the Default Swap Issuer Account (collectively, the "**Trust Estate**"). The security interest granted under the Indenture in each Default Swap Collateral Account is subject to and subordinate to the security interest and rights of the relevant Default Swap Counterparty in and to such Default Swap Collateral Account and the security interest granted under the Indenture in the Default Swap Issuer Account is subject to the rights of the relevant Default Swap Counterparty to the extent described in the related Default Swap. References to the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Expense Account, the Reserve Account, the Default Swap Collateral Account and the Default Swap Issuer Account, when used with respect to the contents of the Trust Estate, shall include all proceeds of such Accounts and all Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in such Accounts.

Portfolio Collateral  
and Deposit

The Portfolio Collateral will consist of United States dollar denominated commercial loans and collateralized loan obligations, including synthetic securities, that are rated primarily below investment grade issued by corporations, partnerships, limited liability companies or trusts. Interests in commercial loans included in the Portfolio Collateral, which may be in the form of participations and assignments, are referred to herein as "**Portfolio Loans**" and the collateralized loan obligations included in the Portfolio

Collateral are referred to herein as "**CLO Securities**." See "Security for the Notes—Portfolio Collateral—General."

The Issuer will acquire all of the Initial Portfolio Collateral from various sources, including Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., in each case, at negotiated prices acceptable to the Issuer. Between the Closing Date and the Effective Date, purchases of additional Original Portfolio Collateral from the Deposit together with the Initial Portfolio Collateral will be required to meet the criteria described herein. See "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral."

During the Revolving Period, certain collections and disposition proceeds in respect of Portfolio Collateral may be applied to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral, respectively, subject to satisfaction of the collateral criteria described herein and the satisfaction or, in certain cases, maintenance of the Overcollateralization Tests and, after the second Payment Date, the Interest Coverage Test. In addition, after the Revolving Period, certain limited collections and certain disposition proceeds in respect of Portfolio Collateral may be applied to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral and Substitute Portfolio Collateral subject to satisfaction of the Overcollateralization Tests, the Interest Coverage Test and the collateral criteria contained herein. The Indenture also authorizes the Servicer to direct the Trustee to sell items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, Equity Portfolio Collateral, Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral and other items of Portfolio Collateral, subject to the limitations set forth therein and described herein under "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral," "The Servicer" and "The Servicing Agreement." During any Due Period when certain collections are to be used to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral, the Servicer generally will have the authority to commence the purchase of such Additional Portfolio Collateral if collections have been or are scheduled to be received during such Due Period in an amount at least equal to the sum of the Periodic Reserve Amount.

Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, no item of Portfolio Collateral may be disposed of, and no item of Portfolio Collateral may be acquired, for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. See "Security for the Notes—Portfolio Collateral—General."

Extension of the Revolving Period  
and the Final Maturity Date

The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date up to a maximum of four times (so that the Notes can only be extended to 2037) to extend the Revolving Period to the applicable Extended Revolving Period End Date if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously affected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date, (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied, (iii) the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Revolving Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date and (iv) no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing. For purposes of the foregoing, "**Extension Effective Date**" means if an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extension Effective Date (or, in the case of the first Extension Effective Date, the Payment Date in August 2011) and "**Extended Revolving Period End Date**" means, if an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Revolving Period End Date (or, in the case of the first Extension,

the Payment Date in August 2015). If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Final Maturity Date of the Notes (other than the Class X Notes) shall be extended to the related Extended Final Maturity Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of the Notes or the Preferred Shares or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or any other transaction document (the "**Maturity Extension**"). For purposes of the foregoing, "**Extended Final Maturity Date**" means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Final Maturity Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Final Maturity Date, the Payment Date in August 2025) and "**Extended Weighted Average Life Date**" means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Weighted Average Life Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Weighted Average Life Date, May 1, 2019); *provided* that if the Extension Conditions are not satisfied because the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes have failed to deliver an Extension Sale Notice or have failed to provide their written consent to the related Maturity Extension, then the Servicer may exceed seven Business Days after the then proposed Extension Effective Date) if the Servicer shall cause the Extension Conditions set forth in clause (v) of such definition to be satisfied as of such later date. As a condition to a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes (other than the Class X Notes) will have the right to offer to sell their Notes to one or more Extension Qualifying Purchasers for purchase on the applicable Extension Effective Date. If all Extension Conditions are satisfied and a Maturity Extension is effected, each Holder of such Notes, other than Extension Sale Securities will be entitled to receive the applicable Extension Bonus Payment, in each case to the extent of available funds and as provided in the priority of payments. Holders of Preferred Shares will not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment. The obligation to make any Extension Bonus Payment shall not be rated by the Rating Agencies. See "Special Considerations—A Maturity Extension," "Maturity and Prepayment Considerations," "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date". The Class X Notes are not subject to Maturity Extension.

#### Additional Issuance

At any time during the Revolving Period, the Issuer, as applicable, may issue and sell Additional Preferred Shares and use the proceeds therefrom to purchase additional eligible Portfolio Collateral and pay the expenses of such additional issuance (an "**Additional Issuance**"); *provided* that certain conditions precedent specified in the Indenture (as described herein) are satisfied. See "Description of the Notes—Additional Issuance." Any amendment to the Indenture, Issuer's Memorandum of Association and Articles of Association or any other related documents required to provide for or facilitate such Additional Issuance will not require the consent of the Holders of Securities.

#### Accounts

All Collections (together with any income thereon) will be remitted to the Trustee and deposited into the Collection Account and will be available, to the extent described herein, for application in the manner and for the purposes as described herein. Funds held in the Collection Account that are not used to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral will be applied as promptly as practicable to purchase Eligible Investments. All cash pledged to the Trustee on the Closing Date which is to be subsequently used to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date will be deposited into the Initial Deposit Account. Funds held in the Initial Deposit Account pending application to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral will be held

in Eligible Investments at the direction of the Issuer. A Closing Expense Account will be established by the Trustee for the payment of fees, commissions and expenses associated with the issuance of the Notes. A Reserve Account will be established by the Trustee to fund a portion of the payments to be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments, or to otherwise fund any payments of interest or principal on the Notes at the direction of the Servicer. An Expense Reimbursement Account of U.S.\$50,000 will be established by the Trustee for the payment of Issuer administrative expenses which become due and must be paid between Payment Dates. Any amounts withdrawn from the Expense Reimbursement Account will be reimbursed on each Payment Date in accordance with the priority of distribution provisions described herein. The Trustee will establish a Loan Funding Account into which certain amounts with respect to any Delayed Drawdown Loans and Revolving Bank Loans will be deposited. The Trustee will establish the Default Swap Collateral Account to which Default Swap Collateral will be credited for the benefit of the related Default Swap Counterparties. In addition, if the terms of any Default Swap require the related Default Swap Counterparty to secure its obligations with respect to such Default Swap, the Trustee will cause to be established a Default Swap Issuer Account in respect of such Default Swap. Funds held in such Accounts will be held in Eligible Investments. See "Security for the Notes—Accounts."

The Servicer

Highland Capital Management, L.P. (the "**Servicer**" or "**Highland**"), will service the Portfolio Collateral and perform certain other reporting functions pursuant to a servicing agreement with the Issuer (the "**Servicing Agreement**"). See "The Servicer" and "The Servicing Agreement."

It is expected that Highland Financial Partners, L.P. or an affiliate or subsidiary thereof ("**HFP**") will purchase approximately 45,000,000 Class II Preferred Shares of the Issuer on the Closing Date, representing approximately 58% of the total Preferred Shares outstanding (the "**Original HFP Share Amount**"). It is also expected that Highland will purchase approximately 10,000,000 of the preferred shares of Investor Corp. and approximately U.S.\$2,000,000 Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes on the Closing Date. In addition, the Servicer Entities may also acquire Notes or Preferred Shares upon the occurrence of an Amendment Buy-Out or a Maturity Extension as described herein. See "Special Considerations—Conflicts of Interest," "Special Considerations—Amendment Buy-Out Risk," "Special Considerations—Amendment Buy-Out Risk," "Legal Structure—The Indenture; Amendment Buy-Out," "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date" and "The Servicing Agreement."

The Trustee

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as Trustee under the Indenture. The Trustee maintains its principal corporate trust offices at 600 Travis Street, 50th Floor, Houston, Texas 77002, at which the Notes may be surrendered for payment or for transfer or exchange.

Independent Accountants

A firm of Independent Accountants as selected by the Servicer, or any successor accounting firm selected pursuant to the Indenture, will periodically perform certain procedures with respect to the Portfolio Collateral and the compliance with the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test as required by the Indenture.

The Administrator

Maples Finance Limited (the "**Administrator**") will act as administrator for the Issuer in the Cayman Islands and will perform certain administrative services on behalf of the Issuer. The Administrator maintains its offices at

P.O. Box 1093 GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands.

Option to Acquire Credit  
Enhancement

The Indenture will provide that Holders of any Class of Notes may elect to acquire bond insurance, a surety bond or similar credit enhancement supporting the payment of principal and/or interest on such Class of Notes, on terms and conditions acceptable to such Holders. Any Class of Notes subject to such enhancement will be designated as Insured Notes of such Class. Premiums for any such enhancement will be payable from amounts otherwise payable to such Class of Insured Notes or in such other manner chosen by such Holder. Any Insured Notes of a Class for substantially all other purposes will be treated as Notes of such Class, except that the issuer of the bond insurance policy, surety bond or other such credit enhancement will generally be deemed to be the Holder of the Notes of such Class enhanced by such entity and will in such capacity be entitled to exercise the rights otherwise exercisable by Holders of such Notes.

Certain Federal Income  
Tax Consequences

*Federal Income Tax Consequences to U.S. Holders of Notes.* The Notes should be treated as debt of the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes. Under rules applicable to original issue discount, a U.S. Holder of a Class A-3L Note, a Class A-4L Note or a Class B-1L Note may need to include all stated interest as original issue discount in gross income as it accrues according to a constant yield method based on daily compounding, regardless of such Holder's method of accounting. See "Certain Tax Considerations."

*Federal Income Tax Consequences to Non-U.S. Holders.* A Non-U.S. Holder that has no connection with the United States other than holding its Note will not be subject to United States federal withholding tax or income tax on payments of principal and interest (including original issue discount) in respect of a Note. See "Certain Tax Considerations—Non-U.S. Holders."

*Federal Income Tax Consequences to the Issuer.* The Issuer generally expects not to be subject to United States federal withholding tax (*provided* certain tax representations are made) or income tax on interest income (including original issue discount) or gain from the Portfolio Collateral or the Eligible Investments. See "Certain Tax Considerations."

Certain ERISA Considerations

Fiduciaries and other persons investing "plan assets" of employee benefit or other plans subject to Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("**ERISA**"), or Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "**Code**") (each, a "**Plan**"), should consider the fiduciary investment standards and prohibited transaction rules of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code before authorizing an investment of "plan assets" of any Plan in the Notes. Each person purchasing a Class X Note, a Class A-1LA Note, a Class A-1LB Note, a Class A-2L Note, a Class A-3L Note or a Class A-4L Note will be deemed to have made certain representations regarding the prohibited transaction rules of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code. The Class B-1L Notes may not be sold or transferred to any Plan, or to any person acting on behalf of or with "plan assets" of any Plan, including an insurance company general account, unless the purchaser or transferee is eligible for the exemptive relief available under PTCE 96-23, 95-60, 91-38, 90-1 or 84-14. See "Certain ERISA Considerations."

Legal Investment

Institutions whose investment activities are subject to legal investment laws and regulations or to review by certain regulatory authorities may be subject to conditions on investment in the Notes. See "Certain Legal Investment

Considerations."

#### Rating of Notes

It is a condition to the issuance of the Notes that the Class X Notes, the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class A-1LB Notes be rated "AAA" by Standard & Poor's Ratings Services ("**S&P**") and "Aaa" by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("**Moody's**"), that the Class A-2L Notes be rated at least "AA" by S&P and at least "Aa2" by Moody's, that the Class A-3L Notes be rated at least "A" by S&P and at least "A2" by Moody's, that the Class A-4L Notes be rated at least "A-" by S&P and at least "A3" by Moody's and that the Class B-1L Notes be rated at least "BBB" by S&P and at least "Baa2" by Moody's. Each of S&P and Moody's is sometimes referred to herein as a "**Rating Agency**." Each of the ratings of the Notes described herein assume that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date.

**The ratings of the Notes by S&P address solely the likelihood of timely payment of the Periodic Interest Amount on and the ultimate payment of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Senior Class A Notes, the timely payment of the Class X Payment and the ultimate payment of the Cumulative Interest Amount and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes. The ratings of the Notes by Moody's address the ultimate cash receipt of all required payments as provided by the governing documents, and are based on the expected loss to the Noteholders of each Class relative to the promise of receiving the present value of such payments. Any obligation to make an Extension Bonus Payment will not be rated by the Rating Agencies. A rating is not a recommendation to purchase, hold or sell securities, in as much as such rating does not comment as to market price or suitability for a particular investor and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning rating organization.**

Security ratings are subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning Rating Agency. In the event that any rating initially assigned to the Notes is subsequently lowered for any reason, no person or entity is obligated to provide any additional support or credit enhancement with respect to the Notes, nor will any other remedies be available to Noteholders. The Issuer has not requested a rating on the Notes by any rating agencies other than S&P and Moody's, although data with respect to the Portfolio Collateral may have been provided to other rating agencies solely for informational purposes. There can be no assurance that, if a rating is assigned to the Notes by any other rating agency, such rating will be as high as that assigned by the applicable Rating Agencies.

#### Listing

Application may be made to the Irish Stock Exchange to admit the Notes to the Official List. There can be no assurance that such admission will be granted or maintained.

## SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Prospective Holders of Notes should consider, among other things, the following factors in connection with the purchase of the Notes.

1. Non-recourse Obligations. The Notes will be non-recourse obligations of the Co-Issuers, payable solely from the Portfolio Collateral (including the Portfolio Collateral initially pledged to secure the Notes, as well as Additional Portfolio Collateral and Substitute Portfolio Collateral to be purchased from time to time as described herein), the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account, the Default Swap Collateral Account (subject to the rights of the related Default Swap Counterparty), the Default Swap Issuer Account (subject to the rights of the related Default Swap Counterparty) the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Closing Expense Account, including all proceeds of such Accounts and all Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in such Accounts (collectively, the "**Trust Estate**") pledged to secure the Notes. The Issuer, as a special purpose Cayman Islands company, will have no significant assets other than the Trust Estate. The Co-Issuer will have no substantial assets, and no other person or entity except for the Co-Issuers will be obligated to make any payments on the Notes. Consequently, Holders of the Notes must rely solely upon distributions on the Trust Estate for the payment of amounts payable in respect of the Notes. If distributions on the Trust Estate are insufficient to make payments on the Notes, no other assets of the Issuer or any other person or entity will be available for the payment of the deficiency, the Co-Issuers shall have no further obligation to pay such deficiency, and any sums outstanding and unpaid shall be extinguished.

2. Subordination. The Class A-1LB Notes are subordinated to the Class A-1LA Notes with respect to principal only, to the extent described herein, the Class A-2L Notes are subordinated to the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes, the Class A-3L Notes are subordinated to the Senior Class A Notes and the Class X Notes, the Class A-4L Notes are subordinated to the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-3L Notes and the Class X Notes and the Class B-1L Notes are subordinated to the Class A Notes and the Class X Notes, and, in the case of each Class of Notes, to the payment of certain fees and expenses as described herein. Payments of principal and interest on the Notes are subject to the priority of distribution provisions described herein. The failure to pay interest on the Class A-3L Notes will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Senior Class A Notes or Class X Notes remain Outstanding, the failure to pay interest on the Class A-4L Notes will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Senior Class A Notes, as Class A-3L Notes or Class X Notes remain Outstanding and the failure to pay interest on the Class B-1L Notes will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Class A Notes or Class X Notes remain Outstanding. In addition, in the case of a Default or an Event of Default, so long as any Senior Class A Notes or Class X Notes remain Outstanding, the Holders of such Senior Class A Notes or Class X Notes will generally be entitled to determine the remedies to be exercised under the Indenture. Remedies pursued by the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class X Notes could be adverse to the interests of the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes. Once an Event of Default has occurred and the Notes have been accelerated, Holders of the Class A-2L Notes are not entitled to be paid the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect thereto and the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof unless the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid such amounts in full in cash, Holders of the Class A-3L Notes are not entitled to be paid the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect thereto and the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof unless the Senior Class A Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid such amounts in full in cash, Holders of the Class A-4L Notes are not entitled to be paid the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect thereto and the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof unless the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-3L Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid such amounts in full in cash, and Holders of the Class B-1L Notes are not entitled to be paid the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect thereto and the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof unless the Class A Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid such amounts in full in cash. Notwithstanding such subordination, the Holders of the Class B-1L Notes may be entitled to payments of principal in connection with the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement before the Notes senior thereto receive any payments of principal.

3. Nature of Collateral Pledged to Secure the Notes; Ability to Obtain Additional Portfolio Collateral; Availability of Funds for Subordinate Payments. The Portfolio Collateral pledged to secure the Notes includes commercial loans and collateralized loan obligations of both U.S. and certain non-U.S. obligors rated below investment grade, which have greater credit and liquidity risk than more highly rated obligations, and synthetic securities.

The Portfolio Collateral will consist primarily of senior secured floating rate term commercial loans. Other loans in which the Issuer may invest include unsecured loans, second lien loans, debtor-in-possession financings and delayed drawdown loans and revolving bank loans. Loans are not generally traded on organized exchange markets but rather would typically be traded by banks and other institutional investors engaged in loan syndications. The liquidity of the Portfolio Loans will therefore depend on the liquidity of this market. Trading in loans is subject to delays as transfers may require extensive and customized documentation, the payment of significant fees and the consent of the agent bank or underlying obligor. Furthermore, Portfolio Loans typically provide that the applicable interest rate may be computed by reference to any of several base indices, at the option of the obligor. The interest rates of the Notes generally are calculated by reference to three-month LIBOR as an index. See "—Interest Rate Risk."

The Issuer intends to purchase Participations of Portfolio Loans in certain circumstances. Participations held by the Issuer in a Selling Institution's portion of a Portfolio Loan typically result in a contractual relationship only with such Selling Institution, not with the obligor. The Issuer has the right to receive payments of principal, interest and any fees to which it is entitled only from the Selling Institution selling the Participation and only upon receipt by such Selling Institution of such payments from the obligor. In connection with purchasing Participations, the Issuer generally will have no right to enforce compliance by the obligor with the terms of the related loan agreement, nor any rights of set-off against the obligor and the Issuer may not directly benefit from the collateral supporting the Portfolio Loan in which it has purchased the Participation. As a result, the Issuer will assume the credit risk of both the obligor and the Selling Institution selling the Participation. In the event of the insolvency of such Selling Institution, the Issuer may be treated as a general creditor of such Selling Institution, and may not benefit from any set-off between such Selling Institution and the obligor. When the Issuer holds a Participation in a Portfolio Loan it may not have the right to vote to waive enforcement of any restrictive covenant breached by an obligor or, if the Issuer does not vote as requested by the Selling Institution, it may be subject to repurchase of the Participation at par. Selling Institutions voting in connection with a potential waiver of a restrictive covenant may have interests different from those of the Issuer, and such Selling Institutions may not consider the interests of the Issuer in connection with their votes.

The Issuer will also purchase Assignments. The purchaser of an Assignment typically succeeds to all the rights and obligations of the assignor of the loan and becomes a lender under the loan agreement and other operative agreements relating to the Portfolio Loan. Assignments are, however, arranged through private negotiations between potential assignees and potential assignors, and the rights and obligations acquired by the purchaser of an Assignment may differ from, and be more limited than, those held by the assignor of the loan. In contrast to the rights of the Issuer as an owner of a Participation, the Issuer, as an assignee, will generally have the right to receive directly from the obligor all payments of principal, interest and any fees to which it is entitled. In some Assignments, the obligor may have the right to continue to make payments to the assignor with respect to the assigned portion of the Portfolio Loan. In such a case, the assignor would be obligated to receive such payments as agent for the Issuer and to promptly pay over to the Issuer such amounts as are received. As a purchaser of an Assignment, the Issuer typically will have the same voting rights as other lenders under the applicable loan agreement and will have the right to vote to waive enforcement of breaches of covenants. The Issuer will also have the same rights as other lenders to enforce compliance by the obligor with the terms of the loan agreement, to set-off claims against the obligor and to have recourse to collateral supporting the Portfolio Loan. As a result, the Issuer may not bear the credit risk of the assignor and the insolvency of an assignor of a loan should have little effect on the ability of the Issuer to continue to receive payments of principal, interest or fees from the obligor. The Issuer will, however, assume the credit risk of the obligor. Non-performing Portfolio Loans may require substantial workout negotiations or restructuring that may entail, among other things, a substantial reduction in the interest rate, a substantial write-down of the principal and/or a substantial extension of the amortization and/or maturity date of the Portfolio Loan. Any such reduction, write-down or extension will likely cause a significant decrease in the interest collections on the Portfolio Loans and any such write-down or extension will likely also cause a significant decrease in the principal collections on the Portfolio Loans.

The Portfolio Collateral will also consist of CLO Securities. CLO Securities generally are limited-recourse obligations of the issuer thereof payable solely from the underlying securities of such issuer or proceeds thereof. Consequently, holders of CLO Securities must rely solely on distributions on the underlying securities or proceeds thereof for payment in respect thereof. If distributions on the underlying securities are insufficient to make payments on the CLO Securities, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and following



realization of the underlying assets, the obligations of such issuer to pay such deficiency shall be extinguished. Such underlying securities are expected to consist mainly of loans and other debt instruments, generally rated below investment grade (or of equivalent credit quality). In addition, certain CLO Securities (particularly subordinated CLO Securities) provide that the non payment of interest in cash on such securities will not constitute an event of default in certain circumstances and the holders of such securities will not have available to them any associated default remedies. Interest not paid in cash will generally be capitalized and added to the outstanding principal balance of the related security. Any such deferral will reduce the yield on such CLO Securities. Loan securities may be unsecured and may be subordinated to certain other obligations of the issuer thereof. The lower rating of below investment grade loans reflects a greater possibility that adverse changes in the financial condition of an issuer or in general economic conditions or both may impair the ability of the issuer to make payments of principal or interest. Such Portfolio Collateral may be speculative.

Issuers of CLO Securities may acquire interests in loans and other debt obligations by way of sale, assignment or participation. The purchaser of an assignment typically succeeds to all the rights and obligations of the assigning institution and becomes a lender under the credit agreement with respect to the debt obligation; however, its rights can be more restricted than those of the assigning institution.

CLO Securities are also subject to interest rate risk. The underlying securities of an issuer of CLO Securities may bear interest at a floating rate while the CLO Securities issued by such issuer may bear interest at a fixed rate (or the reverse may be true). As a result, there could be a floating/fixed rate or basis mismatch between such CLO Securities and underlying securities. In addition, there may be a timing mismatch between the CLO Securities and underlying securities that bear interest at a floating rate, as the interest rate on such floating rate underlying securities may adjust more frequently or less frequently, on different dates and based on different indices, than the interest rates on the CLO Securities. As a result of such mismatches, an increase or decrease in the level of the floating rate indices could adversely impact the ability of the issuers thereof to make payments on the CLO Securities.

In order to purchase and hold CLO Securities, the Issuer must satisfy at all times the investor qualifications in the indenture for each such obligation and in applicable securities laws. Generally, such indentures and applicable securities laws require that the Issuer either be a Qualified Institutional Buyer which is also a Qualified Purchaser or that it be a non-U.S. Person (as defined in Regulation S) which is also not a U.S. resident for purposes of the Investment Company Act. There can be no assurance that the Issuer will satisfy these requirements. In the event that the Issuer does not satisfy these requirements at any time, it will not be able to purchase CLO Securities, and it may be required under the underlying indentures for such underlying securities to sell CLO Securities which it previously purchased; any such "forced sale" by the Issuer is likely to be made at a loss.

In addition, a portion of the Portfolio Collateral may consist of Synthetic Securities. With respect to Synthetic Securities, the Issuer will usually have a contractual relationship only with the counterparty of such Synthetic Security, and not the Reference Obligor on the Reference Obligation. The Issuer generally will have no right directly to enforce compliance by the Reference Obligor with the terms of the Reference Obligation nor any rights of set-off against the Reference Obligor, nor have any voting or other consensual rights of ownership with respect to the Reference Obligation. The Issuer will not directly benefit from any collateral supporting the Reference Obligation and will not have the benefit of the remedies that would normally be available to a holder of such Reference Obligation. In addition, in the event of the insolvency of the counterparty, the Issuer will be treated as a general creditor of such counterparty, and will not have any claim of title with respect to the Reference Obligation. Consequently, the Issuer will be subject to the credit risk of the counterparty as well as that of the Reference Obligor. As a result, concentrations of Synthetic Securities entered into with any one counterparty will subject the Notes to an additional degree of risk with respect to defaults by such counterparty as well as by the Reference Obligor. One or more affiliates of the Initial Purchaser may act as counterparty with respect to all or a portion of the Synthetic Securities. These relationships may create certain conflicts of interest. See "—Potential Conflicts of Interest."

All or a portion of the Synthetic Securities are expected to consist of "pay as you go" credit default swaps. The obligation of the Issuer to make payments to the Default Swap Counterparties under the Default Swaps creates credit exposure to the related Reference Obligations (as well as to the default risk of the Default Swap Counterparties). Following the occurrence of a "credit event" with respect to any Reference Obligation (a "**Credit**

**Event**"), the Issuer will be required to pay to the Default Swap Counterparty an amount equal to the relevant "physical settlement amount" in return for the Reference Obligation. The payment of any physical settlement amount will be funded by the Issuer by drawing on amounts standing to the credit of the related Default Swap Collateral Account. In addition, each Default Swap will require the Issuer, in its capacity as protection seller, to pay "floating amounts" to the Default Swap Counterparty equal to any principal shortfalls, writedowns and interest shortfalls under the Reference Obligation upon the occurrence thereof (any such payment, a "**Credit Protection Payment**"). Although the Default Swap Counterparty, in its capacity as protection buyer, will be obligated to reimburse all or part of such Credit Protection Payments to the Issuer if the writedowns of the related shortfalls are ultimately paid to holders of the Reference Obligations or if the related Reference Obligations are written up, the amounts available to the Issuer to make payments in respect of the Notes and Preferred Shares will be reduced after payment by the Issuer of the relevant Credit Protection Payment to the Default Swap Counterparty until the Issuer receives such reimbursement, if any, from the Default Swap Counterparty. Under the Default Swaps, a writedown or failure to pay principal in respect of a Reference Obligation will entitle the Default Swap Counterparty, as protection buyer, to elect whether to require the Issuer to pay a physical settlement amount or a Credit Protection Payment under the related Default Swap.

In certain other circumstances in which a Default Swap may be terminated early, a termination payment may be due to or from the Issuer. If the Issuer is required to make a termination payment to the Default Swap Counterparty, such termination payment may be substantial and may affect the ability of the Issuer to make payments to the Noteholders and to the Holders of the Preferred Shares. Termination payments payable by the Issuer in respect of any Default Swap will include the market value to the Default Swap Counterparty of such terminated Default Swap, which may expose the Issuer to deterioration in the credit of the Reference Obligations and result in losses to the Issuer, even where no Credit Event has occurred. Even if the Default Swap Counterparty is required to make a termination payment to the Issuer, there is no assurance that the amount of such payment would be sufficient such that payments to the Holders of the Notes and the Preferred Shares would not be affected.

It is expected that the Issuer will acquire all of the Initial Portfolio Collateral to be acquired on the Closing Date from various sources, including Bear Stearns, at prices agreed upon by the Issuer with the advice of the Servicer. The price to be paid by the Issuer for such securities may be higher or lower, based on market conditions at the time of purchase by Bear Stearns or such other sources than the prices the Issuer would have paid had such securities all been purchased by such persons on the date such securities were sold to the Issuer. After the Closing Date, the Issuer with the advice of the Servicer may acquire from or through various sources, including Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., Portfolio Collateral at current market prices which will be negotiated by or on behalf of the Issuer at such time. The Indenture does not restrict the ability of the Issuer to invest in Portfolio Collateral on the basis of its market value.

As described herein, the Indenture provides that the Servicer and the Issuer will seek to invest the Deposit in Original Portfolio Collateral having an Aggregate Principal Amount at least equal to the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount no later than the Effective Date, and that during certain specified periods thereafter significant portions of the collections received in respect of the Portfolio Collateral will be used to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral to secure the Notes, which securities in any such case must satisfy the criteria specified in the Indenture. In addition, Collateral Disposition Proceeds may be used to purchase Substitute Portfolio Collateral, subject to satisfaction of the specified criteria. The ability of the Issuer to obtain such Original Portfolio Collateral, Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral (and the rates and other terms thereof) and the terms on which such securities can be obtained, as well as the timing and amount of draws under the Delayed Drawdown Loans and the Revolving Loans and the rates and other terms obtained in connection with the funds held in Eligible Investments (including the Loan Funding Account), may affect the timing and amount of payments received by the Noteholders.

The Issuer will purchase and sell Portfolio Collateral from or to the Servicer and its affiliates, including assets managed by the Servicer and its affiliates, only to the extent the Servicer determines that such purchases and sales are consistent with the collateral guidelines and objectives of the Issuer, the restrictions contained in the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement and applicable law. In any event, all purchases or sales of Portfolio Collateral from such entities will be on an arms'-length basis for a price at least equal to the Market Value thereof.

On each Payment Date, subject to the satisfaction of the Overcollateralization Tests and, after the second Payment Date, the Interest Coverage Test and application of the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement, and in

accordance with the priority of distribution provisions described herein, certain collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be used to make certain subordinate payments free and clear of the lien of the Indenture, including payment of certain fees to the Servicer, payment of certain administrative expenses of the Issuer and payment to fund distributions to Holders of the Preferred Shares. To the extent that any such distributions are made rather than retained as additional collateral for the Notes, the amounts so distributed will not be available to support payments of principal and interest subsequently payable in respect of the Notes.

4. Default Rates of Commercial Loans and CLO Securities. There are varying sources of statistical default rate data for commercial loans and collateralized loan obligations and numerous methods for measuring default rates. The historical performance of the loan market or collateralized loan market is not necessarily indicative of its future performance. Should increases in default rates occur with respect to the type of collateral comprising the Portfolio Collateral, the actual default rates of the Portfolio Collateral may exceed the hypothetical default rates used herein. See "Maturity and Prepayment Considerations." **PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS OF THE NOTES SHOULD CONSIDER AND DETERMINE FOR THEMSELVES THE LIKELY LEVEL OF DEFAULTS AND THE LEVEL OF RECOVERIES ON THE PORTFOLIO COLLATERAL DURING THE TERM OF THE NOTES.**

5. Potential Illiquidity of Portfolio Collateral. There is no established, liquid secondary market for many of the CLO Securities and Portfolio Loans which the Issuer may purchase and the lack of such an established, liquid secondary market may have an adverse effect on the market value of such CLO Securities and Portfolio Loans and the Issuer's ability to dispose of them. Such illiquidity may adversely affect the price and timing of the Issuer's liquidation of CLO Securities and Portfolio Loans, including the liquidation of CLO Securities and Portfolio Loans following the occurrence of an Event of Default under the Indenture or in connection with a redemption of the Notes.

Further, the items of Portfolio Collateral will be subject to certain transfer restrictions that may further restrict liquidity. Therefore, no assurance can be given that if the Issuer were to dispose of a particular item of Portfolio Collateral held by the Issuer, it could dispose of such Portfolio Collateral at the previously prevailing market price. A decrease in the market value of Portfolio Collateral would adversely affect the sale proceeds that could be obtained upon the sale of Portfolio Collateral and could ultimately affect the ability of the Co-Issuers to effect an Optional Redemption or Tax Event Redemption or pay the principal of the Notes, upon a liquidation of the Portfolio Collateral following the occurrence of an Event of Default.

The market value of the Portfolio Collateral will generally fluctuate with, among other things, changes in prevailing interest rates, general economic and political conditions, the condition of certain financial markets, developments or trends in any particular industry and the financial condition of the issuers of the Portfolio Collateral.

Any concentration of Portfolio Collateral in any one issuer, servicer or other characteristic may expose the Issuer to greater risk than would be the case if the Portfolio Collateral were more diversified, which would affect the Issuer's ability to make payments on the Notes.

The description of the Portfolio Collateral herein and the risks related thereto is general in nature and prospective purchasers should review the descriptions and risk factors relating to each item of Portfolio Collateral set forth in the underlying disclosure documents, transaction documents and servicing reports. **PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS SHOULD ASSESS FOR THEMSELVES THE RISKS INHERENT IN THE PORTFOLIO COLLATERAL.**

6. The Issuer and Investors Will Have Limited Control of the Administration and Amendment of Portfolio Loans. The Servicer will cause the Issuer to exercise or enforce, or refrain from exercising or enforcing, any or all of its rights in connection with the Portfolio Loans or any related documents or will refuse amendments or waivers of the terms of any Portfolio Loan and related documents in accordance with its customary business practices as if the Servicer were administering the Portfolio Loans for its own account. The authority of the Servicer to cause the Issuer to change the terms of the Portfolio Loans will generally not be restricted by the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement. As a result, the Issuer will be relying on the Servicer's customary business practices with respect to the

servicing of the Portfolio Loans. The Holders of the Notes and the Issuer will not have any right to compel the Issuer or the Servicer to take or refrain from taking any actions other than in accordance with its customary business practices.

The terms and conditions of the loan agreements and related assignments may be amended, modified or waived only by the agreement of the lenders. Generally, any such agreement must include a majority or a super majority (measured by outstanding loans or commitments) or, in certain circumstances, a unanimous vote of the lenders. Consequently, the terms and conditions of the payment obligation arising from loan agreements could be modified, amended or waived in a manner contrary to the preferences of the Servicer or the Issuer, as the case may be, if a sufficient number of the other lenders concurred with such modification, amendment or waiver. There can be no assurance that any obligations arising from a loan agreement will maintain the terms and conditions to which the Issuer originally agreed.

The exercise of remedies may also be subject to the vote of a specified percentage of the lenders thereunder. The Servicer will have the authority to cause the Issuer to consent to certain amendments, waivers or modifications to the Portfolio Loans requested by obligors or the lead agents for loan syndication agreements. The Servicer may, in accordance with its servicing standards and subject to the transaction documents, cause the Issuer to extend or defer the maturity, adjust the outstanding balance of any Portfolio Loan, reduce or forgive interest or fees, release material collateral or guarantees, or otherwise amend, modify or waive the terms of any related loan agreement, including the payment terms thereunder. The Servicer will make such determinations in accordance with its servicing standards. Any amendment, waiver or modification of a Portfolio Loan could postpone the expected maturity of the Notes and/or reduce the likelihood of timely and complete payment of interest or principal under the Notes, as well as the timing and amount of payments to Holders of the Preferred Shares.

7. Sale of Portfolio Collateral by Servicer Under Certain Circumstances. Under the Indenture, the Servicer may only direct the disposition of Portfolio Collateral under certain limited circumstances. More specifically, the Servicer may direct the disposition of Portfolio Collateral that meets the definition of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, Equity Portfolio Collateral, and, subject to satisfaction of the conditions set forth herein, Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral or Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral [or Collateral other than Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral]. Furthermore, the Servicer's ability to dispose of Portfolio Collateral may be subject to greater restrictions if any Class of Notes is downgraded. See "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral." **Notwithstanding such restrictions and satisfaction of the conditions set forth in the Indenture, sales and purchases by the Servicer of Portfolio Collateral could result in losses by the Issuer, which losses may result in the reduction or withdrawal of the rating of any or all of the Notes by any of the Rating Agencies.** On the other hand, circumstances may exist under which the Servicer may believe that it is in the best interests of the Issuer to dispose of Portfolio Collateral, but the Issuer will not be permitted to do so under the restrictions and conditions of the Indenture.

A portion of the Portfolio Collateral may have fixed interest rates that remain constant until a specified date or their maturity, and a portion of the Portfolio Collateral will bear interest based on a fixed margin over a reference rate, which margin will generally remain constant until the maturity of such Portfolio Collateral. Accordingly, the market value of the fixed rate Portfolio Collateral will generally decrease as market rates of interest increase. The market value of such Portfolio Collateral will also generally fluctuate with, among other things, general economic conditions, world political events, developments or trends in any particular industry, the conditions of financial markets and the financial condition, results of operations and prospects of the Portfolio Collateral issuers. The Issuer will be relying on Rule 3a-7 and/or Section 3(c)(7) of the U.S. Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "**Investment Company Act**") for its exemption from the Investment Company Act. The Rule 3a-7 exemption restricts the Issuer from disposing of any item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, Equity Portfolio Collateral, Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral or Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral or acquiring any item of Portfolio Collateral for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. These restrictions mean that the Issuer may be required to hold an item of Portfolio Collateral or precluded from acquiring an item of Portfolio Collateral when it would have sold such item of Portfolio Collateral or acquired such item of Portfolio Collateral, as applicable, had it based such determination on expected market value changes. As a result, greater losses on the Portfolio Collateral may be sustained and there may be insufficient proceeds on any Payment Date to pay in full any expenses of the Issuer or any amounts payable to the Trustee or the Administrator (all of which

amounts are payable prior to payments in respect of the Notes) and the principal of and interest on the Notes. See "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral."

8. Sale of Collateral Upon Default of the Notes. The market value of the Portfolio Collateral will generally fluctuate with, among other things, general economic conditions, world political events, developments or trends in any particular industry, the conditions of financial markets and the financial condition of the issuers of the Portfolio Collateral. In addition, CLO Securities included in the Portfolio Collateral, which will comprise no more than 35% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate, may have interest rates that remain constant until their maturity. Accordingly, their market value will generally fluctuate with changes in market rates of interest. Therefore, if an Event of Default occurs with respect to the Notes, there can be no assurance that the proceeds of any sale by the Trustee of the Portfolio Collateral and the other collateral securing the Notes will be sufficient to pay in full the principal of and interest on the Notes and any amounts payable to the Trustee. However, certain conditions set forth in the Indenture must be satisfied before the Trustee is permitted to sell the Portfolio Collateral and other collateral pledged as security for the Notes following an Event of Default. See "Legal Structure—The Indenture—Events of Default."

9. Restrictions on Transfer. The Notes have not been registered under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "**Securities Act**"), or under any U.S. state securities or "Blue Sky" laws or the securities laws of any other jurisdiction and are being issued and sold in reliance upon exemptions from registration provided by such laws. There is no market for the Notes being offered hereby and, as a result, a purchaser must be prepared to hold the Notes for an indefinite period of time or until the maturity thereof. No Note may be sold or transferred unless such sale or transfer (i) is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act (for example, in reliance on exemptions provided by Rule 144A or Regulation S under the Securities Act) and applicable state securities laws, (ii) will not constitute or result in a non-exempt "prohibited transaction" under ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code and (iii) does not cause either of the Co-Issuers to become subject to the registration requirements of the Investment Company Act. In addition, the Class B-1L Notes may not be sold or transferred to any Plan or to any person acting on behalf of or with "plan assets" of any such Plan, including an insurance company general account, unless the purchaser or transferee is eligible for the exemptive relief available under PTCE 96-23, 95-60, 91-38, 90-1 or 84-14. Prospective transferees of the Notes will be required pursuant to the terms of the Indenture to deliver a certificate to the Trustee and the Co-Issuers relating to compliance with the Securities Act, applicable state securities laws, ERISA, Section 4975 of the Code and the Investment Company Act. The Co-Issuers will not provide registration rights to any purchaser of the Notes and neither of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, nor any other person may register the Notes under the Securities Act or any state securities or "Blue Sky" laws nor may the Co-Issuers or the Trustee take such action with respect to the Portfolio Collateral. See "Description of the Notes—General." The Notes will be owned by a relatively small number of investors and it is highly unlikely that an active secondary market for the Notes will develop. Purchasers of the Notes may find it difficult or uneconomic to liquidate their investment at any particular time.

The Issuer has not registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exception provided under Rule 3a-7 and/or Section 3(c)(7) thereof. While counsel will opine in connection with the sale of the Notes to the Initial Purchaser that neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer is on the Closing Date required to register as an investment company (assuming the Notes are sold to the Initial Purchaser in accordance with the terms of the Purchase Agreement (as defined herein) and that the Servicer services the Portfolio Collateral and other assets of the Issuer in accordance with the terms of the Servicing Agreement (as defined herein)), no opinion or no-action position has been requested of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "**SEC**"). If the SEC or a court of competent jurisdiction were to find that the Issuer or the Co-Issuer is required to register as an investment company, possible consequences include, but are not limited to, the SEC applying to enjoin the violation, investors suing the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, to recover any damages caused by the violation and any contract to which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, is a party made in violation or whose performance involves a violation of the Investment Company Act being unenforceable unless enforcing such contract would produce a more equitable result. Should the Issuer or the Co-Issuer be subjected to any or all of the foregoing or to any other consequences, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, would be materially and adversely affected.

Each transferee of a Note (except with respect to a transfer pursuant to Regulation S under the Securities Act) will be deemed to make certain representations at the time of transfer relating to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act. See "Delivery of the Notes; Transfer Restrictions; Settlement."

The Indenture will provide that if, notwithstanding the restrictions on transfer contained therein, the Issuer determines any beneficial owner or Holder of a Note (other than a Note transferred in reliance on Regulation S of the Securities Act) is not a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser, the Issuer will require that such beneficial owner or Holder sell all of its right, title and interest in such Note to a person who is so qualified, with such sale to be effected within 30 days after notice of such sale requirement is given. If such sale is not effected within such 30 days, upon written direction from the Issuer, the Trustee (or an investment banker selected by the Trustee and approved by the Issuer) will be authorized to conduct a commercially reasonable sale of such Note to a person who does so qualify and pending transfer, no further payments will be made in respect of such Note or any beneficial interest therein.

10. Final Maturity Date; Average Life and Prepayment Considerations; Redemption. The Final Maturity Date of each Class of Notes (other than the Class X Notes) will be the Payment Date occurring in August 1, 2021 and the Final Maturity Date of the Class X Notes will be the Payment Date occurring in August 1, 2013; *provided that*, the Final Maturity Dates of the Notes (other than the Class X Notes) are extendable upon a Maturity Extension (if any) as described herein, in which case the Final Maturity Date of such Notes will be extended to the applicable Extended Final Maturity Date. See "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date". The average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years until the Final Maturity Date, and the average lives may vary due to various factors affecting the early retirement of the Portfolio Collateral and the ability of the Servicer to invest collections in Additional Portfolio Collateral or reinvest disposition proceeds in Substitute Portfolio Collateral. Retirement of an item of Portfolio Collateral prior to that item of Portfolio Collateral's respective final maturity will depend, among other things, on the financial condition of the issuer and the characteristics of the underlying item of Portfolio Collateral, including the existence and frequency of exercise of any prepayment or redemption features, the prevailing level of interest rates, the prepayment or redemption price and the actual default rate and the actual amount collected on any Defaulted Portfolio Collateral. See "Maturity and Prepayment Considerations" and "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral." The ability of the Issuer to reinvest proceeds in securities with comparable interest rates, with final maturity dates on or before the Calculation Date prior to the Final Maturity Date and otherwise satisfying the criteria specified herein may affect the timing and amount of payments received by the Noteholders and the yield to maturity of the Notes. If the Issuer is unable to reinvest more than U.S.\$2,000,000 of collections of principal in Additional Portfolio Collateral selected by the Servicer meeting the criteria described herein for ninety days after receipt, the Servicer may direct the Trustee to apply such amounts to pay principal of the Notes (other than the Class X Notes) in a Special Redemption. Any such application will affect the timing and amount of payments received by the Noteholders and the average life and yield to maturity of the Notes.

As described herein, the Notes are subject to a Tax Event Redemption on any Payment Date, at the option of the Issuer acting at the direction of at least a Majority of the Preferred Shares or a majority of the Controlling Class (but only if the Aggregate Principal Balance of Portfolio Collateral is less than 100% of the Class A-1L Notes), if as a result of a change in tax law, rule or regulation or the interpretation thereof, the payments to be received on the Portfolio Collateral are reduced as a result thereof as described herein.

As described herein, the Notes will be subject to an Optional Redemption, at the option of the Issuer acting at the direction of the Holders of the requisite amount of the Preferred Shares eligible to vote for any such redemption (See "Description of the Notes—Optional Redemption"), on any Optional Redemption Date, at a price equal to the Optional Redemption Price.

As described herein, at any time that the Notes are Outstanding, if any Overcollateralization Test or, after the second Payment Date, the Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied on any Payment Date, amounts that are junior in right of payment to such test as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", will be applied to the redemption of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes (or, in the case of the Class B-1L Notes, first to pay accrued and unpaid interest from prior Payment Dates, then to pay principal) in an O/C Redemption on each such Payment Date, in the order described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions," to the extent necessary to satisfy both the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test. Further, if following the Effective Date, the Issuer is not able to receive a Rating Confirmation, amounts that are junior in right of payment to such redemption as described herein, will be applied to the redemption of the Notes until the earlier of the Ratings Confirmation being received or each such Class being

paid in full, in the order and according to the priorities described herein. The Class X Notes are not subject to redemption in connection with an O/C Redemption, but are subject to Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption.

The Class B-1L Notes may be retired early as a result of principal payments made to the Class B-1L Notes in connection with the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement.

As described herein, if the Issuer or the Servicer is unable to use (or commit) the full amount of the Deposit to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral having an Aggregate Principal Amount (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to the Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date) at least equal to the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount and meeting the specified requirements no later than the Effective Date, an amount (not in excess of the amount of the Deposit not so used or committed for use) equal to the difference between the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount and the par amount of Portfolio Collateral actually acquired (or committed to be acquired) (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to the Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date) shall be used to make principal payments of the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class X Notes, on a *pro rata* basis, on the Initial Deposit Redemption Date except, if the amount of the Deposit not so used (or committed to be used) does not exceed U.S.\$2,000,000 in the aggregate, such amount will be transferred to the Collection Account on the Effective Date.

11. Maturity Extension Risk. Under the Indenture, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date, to extend the Revolving Period to the applicable Extended Revolving Period End Date up to a maximum of four times (so that the Notes can only be extended to 2037) if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously affected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date, (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and (iii) the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Revolving Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. Under the Indenture, if the Revolving Period is so extended, the Final Maturity Date of the Notes (other than the Class X Notes) will be equally extended and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be extended without the requirement for any approval or consent of any Holders of Notes or Preferred Shares; *provided* that if the Extension Conditions are not satisfied because the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes have failed to deliver an Extension Sale Notice or have failed to provide their written consent to the related Maturity Extension, then the Servicer may exceed seven Business Days after the then proposed Extension Effective Date) if the Servicer shall cause the Extension Conditions set forth in clause (iv) of such definition to be satisfied as of such later date. Holders of the Notes will not be able to prevent or prohibit the extension of the Final Maturity Date so long as the Extension Conditions are satisfied, which include the ability of Holders of such Notes to sell their Notes at the designated purchase price to a designated purchaser under the Indenture. In the case of the Preferred Shares and any Maturity Extension, Holders of Preferred Shares that have received an Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% as of the Extension Effective Date will not receive any payment in exchange for their Preferred Shares sold in connection with a Maturity Extension. See "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date." As a consequence, if the Servicer elects to extend the Revolving Period and the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Holders of the Notes (other than the Class X Notes) and the Preferred Shares may either be required to hold their Notes and Preferred Shares for a significantly longer period of time or be forced to sell their Notes and Preferred Shares for the applicable purchase price under the Indenture, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Notes and Preferred Shares.

12. Amendment Buy-Out Risk. Any Non-Consenting Holder of Notes or Preferred Shares with respect to an amendment of the Indenture (which includes Holders that fail to respond to a consent solicitation within the applicable period) may be forced to sell their applicable Notes or Preferred Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Notes or Preferred Shares; *provided* that during the Non-Call Period, "Non-Consenting Holder" shall exclude any Holder of Class A-1LA Notes (unless such Holder has consented in writing to be designated as a Non-Consenting Holder) and the Amendment Buy-Out Option shall not be applicable to such Class A-1LA Notes. In the case of the Preferred Shares, the Indenture provides that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price will be zero

for Non-Consenting Holders that have received an Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% as of the Amendment Buy-Out Date. See "Legal Structure—The Indenture; Amendment Buy-Out." A Holder's ability to vote against an amendment or affect or influence the amendment process with respect to the Indenture will be limited by the possibility of an Amendment Buy-Out. The Amendment Buy-Out will also increase the ability of the Servicer to affect or influence the amendment process.

13. Interest Rate Risk. The Notes generally will bear interest at a rate based on three-month LIBOR, as described herein. While most of the Portfolio Collateral will bear interest at floating rates, up to 5% of the Portfolio Collateral may bear interest at fixed rates. Further, the obligors under the Portfolio Loans which are Floating Rate Collateral may choose different interest indices than the London interbank rate for three-month U.S. dollar deposits or the interest rates on the Floating Rate Collateral may be determined or adjustments may take effect on different dates than is the case for the Notes. Additionally, interest on the Notes is payable quarterly on each Payment Date while a portion of the Portfolio Collateral may provide for semiannual payments of interest. Any such mismatches may adversely affect the Issuer's ability to pay amounts due in respect of the Notes.

14. The Issuer. The Issuer is a recently formed entity and has no significant prior operating history. The Issuer has no significant assets other than the Trust Estate. The Issuer will not engage in any business activity other than the co-issuance of the Notes and the issuance of the Preferred Shares and the ordinary shares as described herein, the acquisition and disposition of Portfolio Collateral as described herein, certain activities conducted in connection with the payment of amounts in respect of the Notes and the Preferred Shares and the management of the collateral and other activities incidental to the foregoing. Income derived from the collateral will be the Issuer's principal source of cash. The Issuer is a limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands. Because the Issuer is a Cayman Islands company and some of its directors reside in the Cayman Islands, it may not be possible for investors to effect service of process within the United States on such persons or to enforce against them or against the Issuer in United States courts judgments predicated upon the civil liability provisions of the United States securities laws. None of the directors, security holders, members, officers or incorporators of the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, any of their respective affiliates or any other person or entity (other than the Issuer) will be obligated to make payments on the Notes or the Preferred Shares.

15. The Co-Issuer. The Co-Issuer is a newly-formed entity and has no prior operating history. The Co-Issuer has no substantial assets. The Co-Issuer will not engage in any business activity other than the co-issuance of the Class X Notes, the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes.

16. Fraudulent Conveyance Considerations. Various federal and state laws enacted for the protection of creditors may apply to the Portfolio Collateral by virtue of the Issuer's role as a creditor with respect to such Portfolio Collateral. If a court in a lawsuit brought by an unpaid creditor or representative of creditors of an obligor under an item of Portfolio Collateral, such as a trustee in bankruptcy or the obligor as debtor-in-possession, were to find that the obligor did not receive fair consideration or reasonably equivalent value for incurring indebtedness evidenced by an item of Portfolio Collateral and the grant of any security interest or other lien securing such Portfolio Collateral, and, after giving effect to the incurring of such indebtedness, the obligor (i) was insolvent, (ii) was engaged in a business for which the assets remaining in such obligor constituted unreasonably small capital, or (iii) intended to incur, or believed that it would incur, debts beyond its ability to pay such debts as they mature, such court could invalidate, in whole or in part, such indebtedness and such security interest or other lien as fraudulent conveyances, subordinate such indebtedness to existing or future creditors of the obligor or recover amounts previously paid by the obligor (including to the Issuer) in satisfaction of such indebtedness or proceeds of such security interest or other lien previously applied in satisfaction of such indebtedness. In addition, in the event of the insolvency of an issuer or other obligor of an item of Portfolio Collateral, payments made on the Portfolio Collateral could be subject to avoidance as a "preference" if made within a certain period of time (which may be as long as one year) before insolvency depending on a number of factors, including the amount of equity of the obligor owned by the Issuer and its affiliates and any contractual arrangements between the obligor, on the one hand, and the Issuer and its affiliates, on the other hand. The measure of insolvency for purposes of the foregoing will vary depending on the law of the jurisdiction which is being applied. Generally, however, an obligor would be considered insolvent at a particular time if the sum of its debts was greater than all of its property at a fair valuation or if the present fair saleable value of its assets was then less than the amount that would be required to pay its probable liabilities on its



existing debts as they became absolute and matured. There can be no assurance as to what standard a court would apply in order to determine whether an obligor was insolvent after giving effect to the incurrence of the loan or that, regardless of the method of evaluation, a court would not determine that the obligor was "insolvent" upon giving effect to such incurrence.

In general, if payments on Portfolio Collateral are avoidable, whether as fraudulent conveyances or preferences, such payments can be recaptured either from the initial recipient (such as the Issuer) or from subsequent transferees of such payments, including Holders of the Notes.

17. Lender Liability Considerations. In recent years, a number of judicial decisions in the United States have upheld the right of borrowers to sue lending institutions on the basis of various evolving legal theories, including equitable subordination (collectively termed "**lender liability**"). Generally, lender liability is founded upon the premise that the institutional lender has violated a duty (whether implied or contractual) of good faith and fair dealing owed to the borrower or has assumed a degree of control over the borrower resulting in the creation of a fiduciary duty owed to the borrower. Although the Issuer is not engaged in the business of lending, the Issuer, as a creditor, may be subject to allegations of lender liability. Furthermore, the Issuer and the Servicer may be unable to control the conduct of the lenders under a loan syndication agreement requiring less than a unanimous vote, yet the Issuer may be subject to lender liability for such conduct.

18. Environmental Risks. Real property pledged as security with respect to an item of Portfolio Collateral may be subject to potential environmental risks. Of particular concern may be those mortgaged properties which are, or have been, the site of manufacturing, industrial or disposal activity. Such environmental risks may give rise to a diminution in the value of property securing any item of Portfolio Collateral or liability for cleanup costs or other remedial actions, which liability could exceed the value of such property or the principal balance of the related item of Portfolio Collateral. In certain circumstances, a lender may choose not to foreclose on contaminated property rather than risk incurring liability for remedial actions.

19. Potential Conflicts of Interest. It is expected that Highland Financial Partners, L.P. or an affiliate or subsidiary thereof ("**HFP**") will purchase approximately 45,000,000 of the Class II Preferred Shares of the Issuer on the Closing Date, representing approximately 58% of the total Preferred Shares outstanding (the "**Original HFP Share Amount**"). It is also expected that Highland will purchase approximately 10,000,000 of the preferred shares of Investor Corp. and approximately U.S.\$2,000,000 Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes on the Closing Date. In addition, the Servicer, entities affiliated with the Servicer or clients of the Servicer (collectively, the "**Servicer Entities**") may also acquire Notes or Preferred Shares upon the occurrence of an Amendment Buy-Out or a Maturity Extension as described herein. The interests of the Holders of the Preferred Shares and the Class B-1L Notes that are Servicer Entities, or any other Notes owned by the Servicer Entities, may be different from or adverse to the interests of the Holders of the other Notes and Preferred Shares. As the result of the ownership of Preferred Shares and Notes by the Servicer Entities, and the ability to vote the Preferred Shares and the Notes owned by the Servicer Entities up to a maximum amount equal to the Original HFP Share Amount, the affirmative vote or approval of the Preferred Shares owned by such Servicer Entities, may be required in order to cause an Optional Redemption or a Tax Redemption of the Notes. Preferred Shares owned or controlled by the Servicer Entities above the Original HFP Share Amount will be excluded from voting on certain matters including any Optional Redemption.

In addition to the Base Servicing Fee, the Servicer is entitled to receive an Additional Servicing Fee and an Supplemental Servicing Fee (if any) after all other distributions (other than certain distributions with respect to the Preferred Shares and certain administrative expenses) are made, which is dependent in large part on the performance of the securities purchased by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer. This could create an inducement for the Servicer to service the Issuer's assets in such a manner as to seek to maximize the return on such securities. This could result in increasing the volatility of the Portfolio Collateral and could contribute to a decline in the aggregate value of the Portfolio Collateral. However, the Servicer's servicing of the Issuer's assets is restricted by the requirement that it comply with the restrictions described in "Security for the Notes" and by its internal policies with respect to the management of securities accounts.

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise from the overall activity of the Servicer, its affiliates and their respective clients. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

Certain Holders of the Notes and certain Holders of the Preferred Shares may be clients of the Servicer or one of its affiliates. Certain clients of the Servicer and its affiliates may invest in securities that would be appropriate for inclusion in the Trust Estate. Further, the Servicer currently serves and may in the future serve as servicer, collateral manager or the equivalent for other issuers of collateralized debt obligations, including collateralized debt obligation vehicles having objectives similar to those of the Issuer. The Servicer and its affiliates may make asset management decisions for its clients and affiliates that may be different from those made by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer. The Servicer and its affiliates may also have ongoing relationships with, and may own or invest assets of their clients in, equity securities issued by issuers of Portfolio Collateral. In addition, affiliates and clients of the Servicer may invest in securities that are senior to, or have interests different from or adverse to, the securities included in the Trust Estate. An affiliate of the Servicer may earn fees with respect to financial advisory services rendered to companies in connection with workouts or the subsequent restructuring of such companies. Such fees and advice may continue for a period of time after any such workout or restructure. The Issuer may own an interest in the securities of such companies.

The Amendment Buy-Out will increase the ability of the Servicer to affect or influence the amendment process under the Indenture and will limit any Holder's ability to vote against an amendment or affect or influence the amendment process with respect to the Indenture.

If the Servicer elects to extend the Revolving Period and the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Holders of the Notes and the Preferred Shares may either be required to hold their Notes and Preferred Shares for a significantly longer period of time or be forced to sell their Notes and Preferred Shares for the applicable purchase price under the Indenture, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Notes and Preferred Shares.

In addition to acting as Servicer to the Issuer, Highland Capital Management L.P. will act as manager for HFP, which will, on the Closing Date, purchase all of the Class II Preferred Shares. Because Highland Capital Management will receive both a servicing fee from the Issuer for servicing the Portfolio Collateral and a management fee from HFP for managing HFP's assets, which will include the Class II Preferred Shares (and therefore a residual interest in the Portfolio Collateral), Highland Capital Management has agreed, in connection with the capital raising of HFP, to waive a portion of its servicing fees from the Issuer for two years following the Closing Date so as not to reduce the return on investment realized by HFP in respect of the Class II Preferred Shares. Thereafter Highland Capital Management may at its discretion continue to waive such portion of its servicing fees or may elect to receive such servicing fees in their entirety. Accordingly, during the first two years following the Closing Date, a portion (representing the percentage ownership of the Preferred Shares represented by the Class II Preferred Shares, which will initially be owned entirely by HFP) of the amounts that would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as a servicing fee will instead be payable on the Class II Preferred Shares as the Class II Preferred Share Dividends in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Thereafter, the Servicer may elect to continue to waive such same portion of the amounts that would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as a servicing fee, or any lesser portion of such amounts, and have such amounts be paid instead as the Class II Preferred Share Dividends. The Class II Preferred Shares and the Class I Preferred Shares will vote together as a single class and the existence of the Class II Preferred Share Dividends may cause HFP to have interests different from the holders of the Class I Preferred Shares.

The Trustee and its affiliates may invest in the loans or securities that would be appropriate for inclusion in the Trust Estate and the Trustee has no duty, in making those investments, to act in a way that is favorable to the Issuer or the Holders of the Notes or the Preferred Shares. The Trustee's affiliates currently serve and may in the future serve as collateral manager or the equivalent for other issuers of collateralized loan obligations.

It is expected that the Issuer will acquire all of the Initial Portfolio Collateral to be acquired on the Closing Date from Bear Stearns or other sources in each case, at prices agreed upon by the Issuer with the advice of the Servicer. Certain of such securities will be securities of issuers for which Bear Stearns has acted as underwriter, agent, placement agent or principal or of which Bear Stearns is an equity owner or which the Servicer or an affiliate

of the Servicer has acted as manager, principal or counterparty. The price to be paid by the Issuer for such securities may be higher or lower, based on market conditions at the time of purchase from such sellers, than the prices the Issuer would have paid had such securities all been purchased from such sellers on the date such securities were sold to the Issuer. After the Closing Date, the Issuer with the advice of the Servicer may acquire from or through Bear Stearns or other sources Portfolio Collateral at current market prices which will be negotiated by or on behalf of the Issuer at such time. In addition, from time to time the Servicer may sell Portfolio Collateral through Bear Stearns. Bear Stearns will also receive compensation for the sale of the Notes and the Preferred Shares. See "Use of Proceeds" and "Plan of Distribution" herein. Bear Stearns has also entered into certain indemnification agreements with the Servicer relating to, among other things, the acquisition of the Initial Portfolio Collateral. An affiliate of the Initial Purchaser may be a Synthetic Security Counterparty and/or a Default Swap Counterparty.

20. Servicer Affiliates Reliance on Rule 3a-7; Potential Indenture Amendments. HFP, an affiliate of the Servicer will, on the Closing Date, purchase all of the Class II Preferred Shares. The Servicer will act as the manager for HFP. HFP and Highland Financial Trust, the owner of substantially all of the limited partnership interests of HFP, are relying on an exception from the definition of investment company and the requirement to register under the Investment Company Act that in turn depends, in part, upon the Issuer not being an investment company required to register under the Investment Company Act by reason of Rule 3a-7 thereunder. It is expected that, in connection with certain capital raising activities of Highland Financial Trust, the SEC may consider the applicability of Rule 3a-7 to the Issuer. If it were determined that the Issuer cannot rely on Rule 3a-7, the Servicer may cause the Issuer to amend the Indenture without the consent of the Holders of the Notes and without the consent of the Holders of the Preferred Shares to enable the Issuer to rely on Rule 3a-7, which could require additional limitations and prohibitions on the circumstances under which the Issuer may sell assets, on the type of assets that the Issuer may acquire out of the proceeds of assets that mature, are refinanced or otherwise sold, on the period during which such transactions may occur, on the level of transactions that may occur or on other provisions of the Indenture and could adversely affect the earnings of the Issuer and its ability to make payments on the Notes and distributions to the Preferred Shares. As a condition to the effectiveness of any such amendment to the Indenture, the Issuer, the Trustee and the Initial Purchaser will (i) satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to such amendment and (ii) receive a customary, unqualified opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such amendment and assuming compliance with the Indenture as so amended, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act. Such nationally recognized law firm may also be acting as counsel to the Servicer, certain Holders of Notes and/or Preferred Shares. The interests of any such parties may not coincide with the interest of other Holders of Notes and/or Preferred Shares. See "Legal Structure—The Indenture—Modification of Indenture."

21. Dependence on Key Personnel of the Servicer. The performance of the Portfolio Collateral will be highly dependent on the financial and managerial expertise of the Servicer. See "The Servicer" and "The Servicing Agreement." The loss of one or more of the individuals servicing the Portfolio Collateral could have a significant material adverse effect on the performance of the Portfolio Collateral. Although the Servicer will commit a significant amount of its efforts to the servicing of the Portfolio Collateral, it manages and will manage in the future other products and vehicles and is not required (and will not be able) to devote all of its time to the servicing of the Portfolio Collateral.

22. Ratings of the Notes. The ratings of the Notes by S&P address solely the likelihood of timely payment of the Periodic Interest Amount on and the ultimate payment of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Senior Class A Notes, the timely payment of the Class X Payment and the ultimate payment of the Cumulative Interest Amount and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes. The ratings of the Notes by Moody's address the ultimate cash receipt of all required payments as provided by the governing documents, and are based on the expected loss to the Noteholders of each Class relative to the promise of receiving the present value of such payments. A rating is not a recommendation to purchase, hold or sell securities, in as much as such rating does not comment as to market price or suitability for a particular investor and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning rating organization.

23. Certain Tax Considerations. Investors in the Notes should review carefully the tax considerations set forth in "Certain Tax Considerations" herein.

24. Certain ERISA Considerations. Investors in the Notes should review carefully the ERISA considerations set forth in "Certain ERISA Considerations" herein.

25. Legislation and Regulations In Connection With the Prevention of Money Laundering. The Uniting and Strengthening America By Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the "**USA PATRIOT Act**"), signed into law on and effective as of October 26, 2001, imposes anti-money laundering obligations on different types of financial institutions, including banks, broker-dealers and investment companies. The USA PATRIOT Act requires the Secretary of the United States Department of the Treasury (the "**Treasury**") to prescribe regulations to define the types of investment companies subject to the USA PATRIOT Act and the related anti-money laundering obligations. It is not clear whether Treasury will require entities such as the Issuer to enact anti-money laundering policies. It is possible that Treasury will promulgate regulations requiring the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchaser or other service providers to the Co-Issuers, in connection with the establishment of anti-money laundering procedures, to share information with governmental authorities with respect to investors in the Notes and/or the Preferred Shares. Such legislation and/or regulations could require the Co-Issuers to implement additional restrictions on the transfer of the Notes and/or the Preferred Shares. As may be required, the Issuer reserves the right to request such information and take such actions as are necessary to enable it to comply with the USA PATRIOT Act.

26. Emerging Requirements of the European Union. As part of the harmonization of transparency requirements, the European Commission is scheduled to adopt a directive known as the Transparency Obligations Directive that, among other things, will regulate issuers of securities that are offered to the public or admitted to trading on a European Union regulated market. The listing of Notes on any European Union stock exchange would subject the Issuer to regulation under this directive, although the requirements applicable to the Issuer are not yet fully clarified. The Indenture will not require the Issuer to apply for, list or maintain a listing for any Class of Notes on a European Union stock exchange if compliance with this directive (or other requirements adopted by the European Commission or a relevant member state) becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer. Should the Notes be delisted from any exchange, the ability of the Holders of such Notes to sell such Notes in the secondary market may be negatively affected.

27. Document Repository. Pursuant to the Indenture, the Issuer will consent to the posting of this Confidential Offering Circular, the Indenture and certain periodic reports required to be delivered pursuant to the Indenture, together with any amendments or modifications thereto, to the internet-based password protected electronic repository of transaction documents relating to privately offered and sold collateralized debt obligation securities located at "[www.cdolibrary.com](http://www.cdolibrary.com)".

## **THE ISSUER AND THE CO-ISSUER**

### The Issuer

Rockwall CDO Ltd. (the "**Issuer**") was incorporated in the Cayman Islands on June 7, 2005, for the express purpose of issuing the Notes and the Preferred Shares, acquiring, disposing of and holding the assets described herein and engaging in the related transactions contemplated hereby.

The Issuer has no significant prior operating experience. The purposes for which the Issuer has been established are set forth in clause 3 of its Memorandum of Association and are unrestricted; however, the business activities in which the Issuer may engage will be limited by the Indenture to the issuance of the Notes and the Preferred Shares, the acquisition and disposition of Portfolio Collateral as described herein, ownership of the Co-Issuer's shares and certain activities conducted in connection with the payment of amounts in respect of the Notes and the Preferred Shares and the management of the collateral. Cash flow derived from the Portfolio Collateral and other collateral securing the Notes will be the Issuer's only sources of cash.

The registered office of the Issuer is at the offices of Maples Finance Limited, P.O. Box 1093 GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands and the registered number of the Issuer is 150044.

The proceeds of the offering of Notes will be used, together with the proceeds of the sale of the Preferred Shares, to purchase Portfolio Collateral, to fund the Deposit and the Expense Reimbursement Account and to pay organizational, structuring, legal and offering fees and expenses.

#### Investor Corp.

On the Closing Date, Rockwall Investors Corp. ("**Investor Corp.**"), an exempted limited liability corporation incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands, is expected to purchase 100% of the Class I Preferred Shares of the Issuer issued on the Closing Date, and will issue an equivalent number of its preferred shares to third party investors and to Highland.

#### The Administrator

The Issuer has appointed Maples Finance Limited in the Cayman Islands, as Administrator to perform certain administrative functions on its behalf.

#### Share Capital

The Issuer's authorized share capital is U.S.\$600,250 and consists of 250 ordinary shares of U.S.\$1.00 par each, 300,000,000 Class I Preferred Shares of U.S.\$0.001 par each and 300,000,000 Class II Preferred Shares of U.S.\$0.001 par each. As of the Closing Date, 250 ordinary shares, 33,200,000 Class I Preferred Shares and 45,000,000 Class II Preferred Shares will have been issued and will be fully paid-up. All of the issued and outstanding ordinary shares of the Issuer are held in trust for the benefit of certain charitable entities.

The Class I Preferred Shares and the Class II Preferred Shares will be identical in all respects except that the Class II Preferred Shares will also be entitled, subject to any restrictions under Cayman Islands law, to the Class II Preferred Share Dividends. In addition to the Class II Preferred Share Dividends payable on the Class II Preferred Shares, regular dividends will be payable on the Class II Preferred Shares and the Class I Preferred Shares on each Payment Date in the amounts and in the priority described under the Priority of Payments; *provided* that, if and to the extent sufficient funds to pay such regular dividends in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Cayman Islands law are not available on any Payment Date, such unpaid regular dividends will cease to be payable on such Payment Date or any other date. Class II Preferred Share Dividends will be paid to the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares on a *pro rata* basis according to the number of Class II Preferred Shares held by each Holder. All other dividends and distributions in respect of the Preferred Shares will be paid to the Holders of the Preferred Shares on a *pro rata* basis according to the number of Preferred Shares held by each Holder. Following the liquidation of the Collateral and the distribution of any available remaining funds following a redemption of the Notes and payment of all other obligations of the Co-Issuers (other than amounts payable by the Issuer to the Holders of the Preferred Shares) or an Event of Default under the Indenture or otherwise, the Preferred Shares will be redeemed, whether or not the Holders thereof receive any payments in respect of such redemption.

The Directors of the Issuer are responsible for the management and administration of the Issuer. Currently, the Directors are Wendy Ebanks and Guy Major. As of the Closing Date, HFP, which will hold all of the Class II Preferred Shares, will have full voting rights with respect to the appointment and removal of the Directors of the Issuer.

#### The Co-Issuer

The Co-Issuer was incorporated on June 7, 2005, under the laws of the State of Delaware and its registered office is c/o Donald J. Puglisi, 850 Library Avenue, Suite 204, City of Newark, County of New Castle, Delaware 19711. The Co-Issuer will not have any substantial assets and will not pledge any assets to secure the Notes.

The Co-Issuer will be capitalized only to the extent of its common equity of \$10, will have no assets other than its equity capital. The Issuer will own 100% of the stock of the Co-Issuer.

## DESCRIPTION OF THE NOTES

Certain definitions used herein are set forth in the Glossary of Certain Defined Terms (the "**Glossary**") set forth as Annex A hereto.

### General

The Notes will be issued on the Closing Date pursuant to an indenture (the "**Indenture**"), to be dated as of the Closing Date, among the Co-Issuers and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as trustee (the "**Trustee**") and as securities intermediary. The following summaries generally describe certain provisions of the Notes and the Indenture. The summaries do not purport to be complete and are subject to, and are qualified in their entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Notes and the Indenture. When particular provisions or terms used in the Notes and the Indenture are referred to, the actual provisions (including definitions of terms) are incorporated by reference. Copies of the Indenture may be obtained by Holders of the Notes upon request to the Issuer or the Initial Purchaser.

The Indenture limits the amount of Notes that can be issued thereunder to the Class X Notes, the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes in the aggregate principal amounts and notional principal amounts, as applicable, set forth on the cover hereof. Subject to the foregoing, the Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$200,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1 in excess of such minimum denomination.

**The Notes will be non-recourse obligations of the Co-Issuers and all amounts payable in respect of the Notes will be paid solely from and to the extent of the available proceeds from the Trust Estate. To the extent the assets of the Trust Estate are insufficient to pay all amounts due on the Notes on each Payment Date, on the Final Maturity Date or otherwise, the Co-Issuers shall have no further obligations in respect of the Notes and any sums outstanding and unpaid shall be extinguished.**

The Record Date for each Payment Date (including the Final Maturity Date) is the Business Day immediately preceding such Payment Date; *provided, however*, if Definitive Notes are issued, the Record Date for such Definitive Notes shall be the fifteenth calendar day preceding such Payment Date. Payments of interest and principal or any other amount payable on or in respect of the Notes will be made on each Payment Date by wire transfer to registered Holders of the Notes on the Record Date applicable to such Payment Date to accounts maintained by such registered Holders as reflected in the Note Register. In the case of redemption, notice will be mailed to each Holder of record no later than twenty days before the Payment Date on which the final principal payment is expected to be made to such Holder.

Under the terms of the Indenture, the Trustee will act as a paying agent (together with any other paying agent appointed by the Co-Issuers from time to time, the "**Paying Agents**"). JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association will act as the paying and transfer agent for the Preferred Shares (the "**Paying and Transfer Agent**"). The Issuer will appoint an off-shore Paying and Transfer Agent (other than in the Cayman Islands) (in addition to and not in lieu of JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association) if requested by at least 33-2/3% of the Preferred Shares, with the cost of any such agent to be borne by the Issuer. There can be no assurance that any investor requesting payment from an off-shore paying agent will receive payments on the same day that they would have received such payments had the payments been made by JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association. Payments of principal of and interest on and other amounts in respect of the Notes will be made by the Trustee to the Paying Agents from funds available in the Collection Account established under the Indenture as described herein.

All distributions in respect of the Portfolio Collateral will be deposited directly into the Collection Account and will be available to the extent described herein for the payment of amounts payable in respect of the Notes and, under the circumstances set forth herein and in the Indenture, for the applications described herein.

The Notes are subject to restrictions on transfer. See "—Form, Transfer and Transfer Restrictions." Subject to such restrictions, the Notes may be transferred or exchanged at the office designated by the Trustee for such purposes without the payment of any service charge, other than tax or other governmental charges payable in connection therewith.

Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions

**General.** The Class A-1L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest on the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof ("**Periodic Interest**" and, the amount of such periodic interest, the "**Periodic Interest Amount**" with respect to the Class A-1L Notes) (to the extent of funds available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the rate of 0.30% with respect to the Class A-1LA Notes and 0.50% with respect to the Class A-1LB Notes, *per annum* above the London interbank offered rate for three-month U.S. dollar deposits (or, for the period from the Closing Date to the first Payment Date, as described herein) ("**LIBOR**") (determined as described herein) (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class A-1LB Notes, as applicable) on the 1st day of November, February, May and August of each year, or, if any such day is not a Business Day, then on the next succeeding Business Day (each such date, a "**Payment Date**"), commencing on the November 1, 2006 Payment Date. Payments of interest on the Class A-1L Notes will be payable *pari passu* among the Class A-1L Notes and with the Class X Notes Payment as described herein. "**Periodic Interest Accrual Period**" is the period from the Closing Date through the day preceding the subsequent Payment Date and during each period thereafter from each Payment Date through the day preceding the subsequent Payment Date. To the extent Periodic Interest accrued at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to any Periodic Interest Accrual Period is not paid on the related Payment Date, the amount of such interest shortfall will accrue interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate and will be paid (to the extent funds are available therefor as described herein) on one or more subsequent Payment Dates after payment of interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to the Periodic Interest Accrual Period relating to such subsequent Payment Date (the amount of such shortfall, together with interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate, the "**Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount**" and, with the Periodic Interest Amount for such subsequent Payment Date, the "**Cumulative Interest Amount**" with respect to such Payment Date). Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed. Payments of interest to the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Payment will be payable *pari passu* among the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes as described herein.

No principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-1L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of an Initial Deposit Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-1LA Notes as described herein. On each Payment Date with respect to the Amortization Period, the principal of the Class A-1L Notes will be payable (to the extent of funds available therefor and in the order of priority described herein) first to the Class A-1LA Notes and then to the Class A-1LB Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes has been paid in full. The Class A-1LB Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Class A-1LA Notes to the extent described herein. In addition, all payments of principal on the Class A-1L Notes that are made in connection with an Initial Deposit Redemption, a Rating Confirmation Failure, a Tax Event Redemption or an Optional Redemption will be paid on a *pro rata* basis with the Class X Notes as described herein. All outstanding principal of the Class A-1L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date.

No interest will be payable in respect of the Class A-2L Notes on any Payment Date unless the Holders of the Class A-1L Notes have been paid the Cumulative Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date, the Holders of the Class X Notes have been paid the Cumulative Class X Payment due to them on such Payment Date and, in the case of the Final Maturity Date, until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full.

The Class A-2L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest on the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof ("**Periodic Interest**" and, the amount of such periodic interest, the "**Periodic Interest Amount**" with respect to the Class A-2L Notes) (to the extent of funds available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the rate of 0.65% *per annum* above LIBOR (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class A-2L Notes) on each Payment Date commencing on the November 1, 2006 Payment Date. To the extent Periodic Interest accrued at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to any Periodic Interest Accrual Period is not paid on the related Payment Date, the amount of such interest shortfall will accrue interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate and will be paid (to the extent funds are available therefor as described herein) on one or more subsequent Payment Dates after payment of interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to the Periodic Interest Accrual Period relating to such subsequent Payment Date (the amount of such shortfall, together with interest thereon at the

Applicable Periodic Rate, the "**Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount**" and, with the Periodic Interest Amount for such subsequent Payment Date, the "**Cumulative Interest Amount**" with respect to such Payment Date). Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed.

No principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-2L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-2L Notes. In connection with a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption, an Optional Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption, no principal in respect of the Class A-2L Notes will be payable until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes (other than with respect to a Special Redemption or an O/C Redemption) have been paid in full. On each Payment Date with respect to the Amortization Period after the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full, principal of the Class A-2L Notes will be payable (to the extent of funds available therefor and in the order of priority described herein) until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2L Notes has been paid in full. All outstanding principal of the Class A-2L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date. The Class A-2L Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes to the extent described herein.

No interest will be payable in respect of the Class A-3L Notes on any Payment Date unless the Holders of the Senior Class A Notes have been paid the Cumulative Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date and the Holders of the Class X Notes have been paid the Cumulative Class X Payment due to them on such Payment Date and, in the case of the Final Maturity Date, until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Senior Class A Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full.

The Class A-3L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest on the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof ("**Periodic Interest**" and, the amount of such periodic interest, the "**Periodic Interest Amount**" with respect to the Class A-3L Notes) (to the extent of funds available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the rate of 1.40% *per annum* above LIBOR (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class A-3L Notes) on each Payment Date commencing on the November 1, 2006 Payment Date. To the extent Periodic Interest accrued at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to any Periodic Interest Accrual Period is not paid on the related Payment Date, the amount of such interest shortfall will accrue interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate and will be paid (to the extent funds are available therefor as described herein) on one or more subsequent Payment Dates after payment of interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to the Periodic Interest Accrual Period relating to such subsequent Payment Date (the amount of such shortfall, together with interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate, the "**Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount**" and, with the Periodic Interest Amount for such subsequent Payment Date, the "**Cumulative Interest Amount**" with respect to such Payment Date). The failure to pay in full Periodic Interest on the Class A-3L Notes as a result of insufficient funds being available therefor will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Senior Class A Notes or Class X Notes are Outstanding. Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed.

No principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-3L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-3L Notes. On each Payment Date with respect to the Amortization Period after the Class A-1L Notes, Class A-2L Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full, principal of the Class A-3L Notes will be payable (to the extent of funds available therefor and in the order of priority described herein) until the Payment Date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes has been paid in full. In connection with a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption, an Optional Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption, no principal in respect of the Class A-3L Notes will be payable until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes, the Class A-2L Notes and (other than with respect to an O/C Redemption or a Special Redemption) the Class X Notes have been paid in full. All outstanding principal of the Class A-3L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date. The Class A-3L Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Senior Class A Notes and the Class X Notes to the extent described herein.

No interest will be payable in respect of the Class A-4L Notes on any Payment Date unless the Holders of the Class A-1L Notes and the Class A-2L Notes have been paid the Cumulative Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date, the Holders of the Class A-3L Notes have been paid the Periodic Interest Amount due to them



on such Payment Date, the Holders of the Class X Notes have been paid the Cumulative Class X Payment due to them on such Payment Date, and, in the case of the Final Maturity Date, until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Senior Class A Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full.

The Class A-4L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest on the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof ("**Periodic Interest**" and, the amount of such periodic interest, the "**Periodic Interest Amount**" with respect to the Class A-4L Notes) (to the extent of funds available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the rate of 1.70% per annum above LIBOR (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class A-3L Notes) on each Payment Date commencing on the November 1, 2006 Payment Date. To the extent Periodic Interest accrued at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to any Periodic Interest Accrual Period is not paid on the related Payment Date, the amount of such interest shortfall will accrue interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate and will be paid (to the extent funds are available therefor as described herein) on one or more subsequent Payment Dates after payment of interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to the Periodic Interest Accrual Period relating to such subsequent Payment Date (the amount of such shortfall, together with interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate, the "Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount" and, with the Periodic Interest Amount for such subsequent Payment Date, the "Cumulative Interest Amount" with respect to such Payment Date). The failure to pay in full Periodic Interest on the Class A-4L Notes as a result of insufficient funds being available therefor will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-3L Notes or Class X Notes are Outstanding. Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed.

No principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-4L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-4L Notes. On each Payment Date with respect to the Amortization Period after the Class A-1L Notes, Class A-2L Notes, Class A-3L Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full, principal of the Class A-4L Notes will be payable (to the extent of funds available therefor and in the order of priority described herein) until the Payment Date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-4L Notes has been paid in full. In connection with a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption, an Optional Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption, no principal in respect of the Class A-4L Notes will be payable until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes and (other than with respect to an O/C Redemption or a Special Redemption) the Class X Notes have been paid in full. All outstanding principal of the Class A-4L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date. The Class A-4L Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-3L Notes and the Class X Notes to the extent described herein.

No interest will be payable in respect of the Class B-1L Notes on any Payment Date unless the Holders of the Class A-1L Notes and the Class A-2L Notes have been paid the Cumulative Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date, the Holders of the Class A-3L Notes and Class A-4L Notes have been paid the Periodic Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date, the Class X Notes have been paid the Cumulative Class X Payment due to them on such Payment Date, the Overcollateralization Tests with respect to the Class A Notes and the Interest Coverage Test have been satisfied, and, on the Final Maturity Date, unless the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full.

The Class B-1L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest on the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof ("**Periodic Interest**" and, the amount of such periodic interest, the "**Periodic Interest Amount**" with respect to the Class B-1L Notes) (to the extent funds are available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the rate of 2.25% *per annum* above LIBOR (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class B-1L Notes) on each Payment Date commencing on the November 1, 2006 Payment Date. To the extent Periodic Interest accrued at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to any Periodic Interest Accrual Period is not paid on the related Payment Date, the amount of such interest shortfall will accrue interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate and will be paid (to the extent funds are available therefor as described herein) on one or more subsequent Payment Dates after payment of interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to the Periodic Interest Accrual Period relating to such subsequent Payment Date (the amount of such shortfall, together with interest thereon, at the Applicable Periodic Rate, the "**Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount**" and, together with the Periodic Interest Amount for such subsequent Payment Date, the "**Cumulative Interest Amount**" with respect to such Payment Date). The failure to pay in full Periodic Interest on the Class B-1L Notes as a result of insufficient funds being available

therefor will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Class A Notes or Class X Notes are Outstanding. Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed.

No principal will be payable in respect of the Class B-1L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes and the Class X Notes have been paid in full, except with respect to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement. Principal payments are not expected to begin until the commencement of the Amortization Period (except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class B-1L Notes or in connection with the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement) and are to continue until the Payment Date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes has been paid in full. In connection with a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption, an Optional Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption, no principal in respect of the Class B-1L Notes will be payable until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes and (other than with respect to an O/C Redemption or a Special Redemption) the Class X Notes have been paid in full. All outstanding principal of the Class B-1L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date. The Class B-1L Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Class A Notes and the Class X Notes to the extent described herein.

The Class X Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest on the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof ("**Periodic Interest**" and, the amount of such periodic interest, the "**Periodic Interest Amount**" with respect to the Class X Notes) (to the extent of funds available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the rate of 0.36% per annum above LIBOR (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class X Notes) on each Payment Date, commencing on the November 1, 2006 Payment Date through and including the August 1, 2013 Payment Date. Any such interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed. Such amount may be reduced in connection with a redemption of the Class X Notes, as set forth in the Indenture.

To the extent the Class X Payment is not paid on any Payment Date, the amount of such shortfall will accrue interest at the rate of 0.36% *per annum* above LIBOR (the "**Class X Periodic Interest Rate**") (to the extent funds are available therefor and subject to the priority of distribution provisions described herein) on one or more subsequent Payment Dates (the amount of such shortfall, together with interest thereon, calculated at the Class X Periodic Interest Rate, the "**Class X Shortfall Amount**" and, together with the Class X Payment for such subsequent Payment Date, the "**Cumulative Class X Payment**" with respect to such Payment Date). The Class X Shortfall Amount shall be payable after payment of the Class X Payment relating to such subsequent Payment Date. Any such interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed. The Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class X Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date of the Class X Notes.

Payments of principal on the Class X Notes that are made in connection with an Initial Deposit Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption, an Optional Redemption or a Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption will be paid on a *pro rata* basis with the Class A-1LA Notes as described herein. The Class X Notes are not subject to an O/C Redemption or a Special Redemption. The Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class X Notes will be reduced on each Payment Date by the Class X Principal Payment for such Payment Date. The Holders of the Class X Notes are entitled to receive the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class X Notes on the Final Maturity Date, whether such Final Maturity Date occurs in connection with a redemption of the Class X Notes as described herein or otherwise.

To the extent assets of the Trust Estate are insufficient to pay all amounts due on the Notes, the Co-Issuers shall have no further obligations in respect of the Notes.

The Co-Issuers will not be required to pay additional amounts to Holders of any Class of Notes if taxes or related amounts are withheld from payments on the Notes or any payments on any item of Portfolio Collateral or other assets of the Co-Issuers. However, such withholding tax on payments on items of Portfolio Collateral could result in the Notes being redeemed by the Issuer. See "—Tax Event Redemption."

Determination of LIBOR

For purposes of calculating the Applicable Periodic Rate, the Issuer initially will appoint JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as agent with respect to the determination of LIBOR (in such capacity, the "**Calculation Agent**"). LIBOR will be determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following provisions:

On the second London Business Day prior to the commencement of a Periodic Interest Accrual Period (each such day, a "**LIBOR Determination Date**"), LIBOR shall equal the rate, as obtained by the Calculation Agent, for three-month U.S. dollar deposits which appears on Telerate Page 3750 (as defined in the 2000 ISDA Definitions and as reported by Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News) or such other page as may replace such Page 3750, as of 11:00 a.m. (London time) on such LIBOR Determination Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, LIBOR for the initial Periodic Interest Accrual Period will be determined through the use of straight-line interpolation by reference to two rates calculated in accordance with the provisions above, one of which shall be for five-month U.S. dollar deposits and the other of which shall be for six-month U.S. dollar deposits.

If, on any LIBOR Determination Date, such rate does not appear on Telerate Page 3750 or such other page as may replace such Page 3750, the Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks to leading banks in the London interbank market for three-month (or five-month and six-month, as applicable) U.S. dollar deposits in an amount determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to requests for quotations as of approximately 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the LIBOR Determination Date made by the Calculation Agent to the Reference Banks. If, on any LIBOR Determination Date, at least two of the Reference Banks provide such quotations, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean of such quotations. If, on any LIBOR Determination Date, only one or none of the Reference Banks provide such quotations, LIBOR shall be deemed to be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that leading banks in The City of New York selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) are quoting on the relevant LIBOR Determination Date for three-month (or five-month and six-month, as applicable) U.S. dollar deposits in an amount determined by the Calculation Agent that is representative of a single transaction in such market at such time by reference to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market; *provided* that, if the Calculation Agent is required but is unable to determine a rate in accordance with at least one of the procedures provided above, LIBOR shall be LIBOR as determined on the previous LIBOR Determination Date. As used herein, "**Reference Banks**" means four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer).

As soon as possible after 11:00 a.m. (New York time) on each LIBOR Determination Date, but in no event later than 11:00 a.m. (New York time) on the Business Day immediately following each LIBOR Determination Date, the Calculation Agent will notify the Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer and (for so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange) the Irish Stock Exchange, of LIBOR for the next Periodic Interest Accrual Period. The Calculation Agent will also specify to the Issuer the quotations upon which LIBOR is based, and in any event the Calculation Agent shall notify the Issuer before 5:00 p.m. (New York time) on each LIBOR Determination Date that either: (i) it has determined or is in the process of determining LIBOR or (ii) it has not determined and is not in the process of determining LIBOR together with its reasons therefor.

Upon receipt of notice of LIBOR for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period from the Calculation Agent as described in the preceding paragraph, the Trustee will determine the Applicable Periodic Rate for each Class of Notes for such Periodic Interest Accrual Period and notify the Irish Stock Exchange of the Applicable Periodic Rate for each Class of Notes (for so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange). The determination of LIBOR by the Calculation Agent and the Applicable Periodic Rate by the Trustee (in the absence of manifest error) will be final and binding upon all parties.

The Calculation Agent may be removed by the Issuer at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Issuer, or if the Calculation Agent fails to determine LIBOR for a Periodic Interest Accrual Period, the Issuer will promptly appoint as a replacement Calculation Agent a leading bank which is engaged in transactions in U.S. dollar deposits in the international U.S. dollar market and which does not

control or is not controlled by or under common control with the Issuer or its affiliates. The Calculation Agent may not resign or be removed from its duties without a successor having been duly appointed.

#### Adjusted Collateral Collections

On each Payment Date, in accordance with the Note Valuation Report for the Calculation Date immediately preceding such Payment Date, Collateral Interest Collections, to the extent of Available Funds in the Collection Account (excluding from such Available Funds any Collateral Disposition Proceeds received during the Due Period relating to such Calculation Date to be applied by the Trustee during the related Due Period or the immediately succeeding Due Period to purchase Substitute Portfolio Collateral and, with respect to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral as described in the Indenture, certain Collateral Principal Collections with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment to purchase Portfolio Collateral prior to the end of such Due Period), and a portion of the proceeds from the sale of the Notes in an amount equal to U.S.\$1,600,000 (the "**Reserve Amount**") to fund a portion of the payments to be made in accordance with Priority of Payments on any Payment Date constituting Collateral Interest Collections or Collateral Principal Collections at the direction of the Servicer, will be applied by the Trustee to pay each of the following in the order of priority set forth below:

(A) the Trustee Administrative Expenses with respect to such Payment Date and any Trustee Administrative Expenses with respect to a previous Payment Date that were not paid on a previous Payment Date,

(B) the Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses with respect to such Payment Date and any Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses that were not paid on a previous Payment Date,

(C) the Issuer Base Administrative Expenses with respect to such Payment Date and any Issuer Base Administrative Expenses with respect to a previous Payment Date that were not paid on a previous Payment Date,

(D) for the replenishment of the Expense Reimbursement Account up to an amount equal to U.S.\$50,000 to the extent any of the amounts referred to in clause (C) have already been paid from funds on deposit therein (the aggregate of the amounts set forth in clauses (A), (B), (C) and (D) shall not exceed (i) U.S.\$250,000 *per annum* plus (ii) the greater of U.S.\$75,000 *per annum* and 0.0275% *per annum* of the Aggregate Par Amount on the related Calculation Date, and

(E) the Base Servicing Fee with respect to such Payment Date, and any Base Servicing Fee that was not paid on a previous Payment Date, and to the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend with respect to such Payment Date, and any Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend that was not paid on a previous Payment Date (the aggregate of clauses (A), (B), (C), (D) and (E), the "**Aggregate Base Fees and Expenses**").

Collateral Interest Collections net of the Aggregate Base Fees and Expenses payable on a Payment Date, represent "**Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections**" for such Payment Date.

On each Payment Date, in accordance with the Note Valuation Report for the Calculation Date immediately preceding such Payment Date, Collateral Principal Collections, to the extent of Available Funds in the Collection Account (excluding from such Available Funds any Collateral Disposition Proceeds received during the Due Period relating to such Calculation Date to be applied by the Trustee during the related Due Period or the immediately succeeding Due Period to purchase Substitute Portfolio Collateral and, with respect to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral as described in the Indenture, certain Collateral Principal Collections with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment to purchase Portfolio Collateral prior to the end of such Due Period), will be applied by the Trustee to pay the Aggregate Base Fees and Expenses, in the order set forth above, to the extent not paid or replenished from Collateral Interest Collections with respect to such Payment Date (the remaining amount, the "**Adjusted Collateral Principal Collections**" for such Payment Date).

Revolving Period.I. Collateral Interest Collections.

On each Payment Date with respect to the **Revolving Period**, Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections for such Payment Date will be applied by the Trustee in the following order of priority:

(i) to pay, *pari passu*, (i) the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class A-1LB Notes and such Payment Date and, (ii) on each Payment Date through the August 1, 2013 Payment Date, the Cumulative Class X Payment with respect to the Class X Notes and such Payment Date;

(ii) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-2L Notes and such Payment Date;

(iii) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-3L Notes and such Payment Date;

(iv) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-4L Notes and such Payment Date;

(v) to the payment of principal in the amount, if any, required to be paid in order to satisfy the Class A Overcollateralization Test and, on each Payment Date after the second Payment Date, the Interest Coverage Test, such amount to be paid first, to the Class A-1LA Notes; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes; third, to the Class A-2L Notes, fourth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class A-3L Notes, and then to principal of the Class A-3L Notes; and fifth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class A-4L Notes, and then to principal of the A-4L Notes, in that order, until each such Class is paid in full, to the extent required to satisfy the Class A Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test;

(vi) to pay the Periodic Interest Amount with respect to the Class B-1L Notes and such Payment Date;

(vii) to the payment of principal as an O/C Redemption or a Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption in the amount, if any, required to be paid in order to satisfy the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test or in order to receive a Rating Confirmation, as applicable, such amount to be paid first, *pro rata*, to the Class X Notes, only in connection with a Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption, and to the Class A-1LA Notes; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes; third, to the Class A-2L Notes; fourth, any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class A-3L and then to principal of the Class A-3L Notes; and fifth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class A-4L Notes and then to principal of the Class A-4L Notes and sixth, to principal of the Class B-1L Notes, in that order, until each such Class is paid in full, to the extent required to satisfy the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test or in order to receive a Rating Confirmation, as applicable;

(viii) to the payment to the Holders of the Class B-1L Notes of an amount equal to the Cumulative Interest Amount for the Class B-1L Notes and such Payment Date to the extent not paid to the Holders of the Class B-1L Notes pursuant to clauses (vi) and (vii) of this section;

(ix) on each Payment Date after the second Payment Date, *pro rata*, to the extent of available funds, an amount equal to 35% of the funds available up to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement to the payment of principal of the Class B-1L Notes until such Class is paid in full and an amount equal to 65% (or, after the Class B-1L Notes are paid in full, 100%) of the funds available up to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral (other than CLO Securities) as directed by the Servicer or the Issuer meeting certain specified requirements set forth in the Indenture and described herein during the Due Period in which such Payment Date occurs or the immediately succeeding Due Period;

(x) to the payment to the Default Swap Counterparty any Default Swap Counterparty Termination Payment;

(xi) to the payment, *first* (a) to the Servicer of the Additional Servicing Fee with respect to such Payment Date and (b) to the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend then due and unpaid, and *second*, to the Holders of the Notes any due and unpaid Extension Bonus Payment;

(xii) to the payment to the Issuer of the Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses with respect to such Payment Date and then any Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses with respect to a previous Payment Date that were not paid on a previous Payment Date;

(xiii) if the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares as of such Payment Date is less than 12%, to the payment to the Holders of the Preferred Shares, but only up to an amount that would cause the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares to equal 12% and;

(xiv) any remaining amounts, (a) 20% to (x) the payment of the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date, and (y) the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Supplemental Dividend then due and unpaid, and (b) 80% to the Holders of the Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, as a dividend thereon or as a redemption payment on the Redemption Date, as applicable.

## II. Collateral Principal Collections.

On each Payment Date with respect to the **Revolving Period**, Adjusted Collateral Principal Collections for such Payment Date will be applied by the Trustee in the following order of priority:

(i) to the payment of the amounts described in clauses (i) through (vii) with respect to Collateral Interest Collections and the Revolving Period, in the order described therein, in each case to the extent such amounts have not been paid from Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections with respect to such Payment Date; *provided however* that, with respect to the payment described in clause (iii) above, so long as any Class X Notes, Class A-1L Notes or Class A-2L Notes are Outstanding, the Class A-3L Notes shall only be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Interest Amount (or, after the Class A-2L Notes are paid in full, the Cumulative Interest Amount) due to the Class A-3L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections, but only to the extent this payment will not cause the failure of the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test, with respect to (iv) above, so long as any Class X Notes, Class A-1L Notes, Class A-2L Notes or Class A-3L Notes are Outstanding, the Class A-4L Notes shall only be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Interest Amount (or, after the Class A-3L Notes are paid in full, the Cumulative Interest Amount) due to the Class A-4L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections, but only to the extent this payment will not cause the failure of the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test, and with respect to (vi) above, so long as any Class X Notes, Class A-1L Notes, Class A-2L Notes, Class A-3L Notes or Class A-4L Notes are Outstanding, the Class B-1L Notes shall only be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Interest Amount due to the Class B-1L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections but only to the extent this payment will not cause the failure of the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test; and *provided further*, so long as any Class A-1L Notes or Class A-2L Notes are not Outstanding, the Class A-3L Notes shall be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount due to the Class A-3L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections and, so long as any Class A-1L Notes, Class A-2L Notes or Class A-3L Notes are not Outstanding, the Class A-4L Notes shall be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount due to the Class A-4L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections, and then any remaining amounts shall be distributed pursuant to clauses (v) through (vii) above, in the order described therein;

(ii) to pay principal of the Notes in a Special Redemption, such amount to be paid first, (A) to the Class A-1LA Notes; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes; third, to the Class A-2L Notes; fourth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class A-3L Notes; fifth, to principal of the Class A-3L Notes; sixth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class A-4L Notes; seventh, to principal of the Class A-4L Notes; and eighth, to the Class B-1L Notes, in that order, until each such Class is paid in full; and

(iii) as directed by the Servicer or the Issuer (or deposited by the Trustee in the Collection Account), to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral meeting the specified requirements no later than the last day of the Due Period relating to the Payment Date next following such Payment Date, such amounts to be applied in the manner described herein.

Amortization Period.

I. Collateral Interest Collections.

On each Payment Date with respect to the **Amortization Period**, Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections for such Payment Date will be applied by the Trustee in the following order of priority:

(i) to pay, *pari passu*, (i) the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class A-1LB Notes and such Payment Date and (ii) on each Payment Date through the August 2013 Payment Date, the Cumulative Class X Payment with respect to the Class X Notes and such Payment Date;

(ii) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-2L Notes and such Payment Date;

(iii) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-3L Notes and such Payment Date;

(iv) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-4L Notes and such Payment Date;

(v) to the payment of principal as an O/C Redemption in the amount, if any, required to be paid in order to satisfy the Class A Overcollateralization Test and, on each Payment Date after the second Payment Date, the Interest Coverage Test, such amount to be paid first, to the Class A-1LA Notes; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes; third, to the Class A-2L Notes, fourth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class A-3L Notes and then to principal of the Class A-3L Notes; and fifth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class A-4L Notes and then to principal of the A-4L Notes, in that order, until each such Class is paid in full, to the extent required to satisfy the Class A Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test;

(vi) to pay the Periodic Interest Amount with respect to the Class B-1L Notes and such Payment Date;

(vii) to the payment of principal as an O/C Redemption in the amount, if any, required to be paid in order to satisfy the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test, such amount to be paid first, to the Class A-1LA Notes; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes; third, to the Class A-2L Notes; fourth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount and then to principal of the Class A-3L Notes; and fifth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount and then to principal of the Class B-1L Notes, in that order, until each such Class is paid in full, to the extent required to satisfy the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test;

(viii) to the payment to the Holders of the Class B-1L Notes of an amount equal to the Cumulative Interest Amount for the Class B-1L Notes and such Payment Date to the extent not paid to the Holders of the Class B-1L Notes pursuant to clauses (vi) and (vii) of this section;

(ix) to the payment of, *pro rata*, to the extent of available funds, an amount equal to 35% of the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement to the payment of principal of the Class B-1L Notes until such Class is paid in full and an amount equal to 65% (or, after the Class B-1L Notes are paid in full, 100%) of the funds available up to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement to the payment of principal of the Notes (other than the Class X Notes) in the order of priority described in clause (vii) above;

(x) to the payment to the Default Swap Counterparty any Default Swap Counterparty Termination Payment;

(xi) to the payment, *first* (a) to the Servicer of the Additional Servicing Fee with respect to such Payment Date and (b) to the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer

Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend then due and unpaid, and *second*, to the Holders of the Notes any due and unpaid Extension Bonus Payment;

(xii) to the payment to the Issuer of the Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses with respect to such Payment Date and then any Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses with respect to a previous Payment Date that were not paid on a previous Payment Date;

(xiii) if the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares as of such Payment Date is less than 12%, to the payment to the Holders of the Preferred Shares, but only up to an amount that would cause the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares to equal 12% and;

(xiv) any remaining amounts, (a) 20% to (x) the payment of the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date, and (y) the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Supplemental Dividend then due and unpaid, and (b) 80% to the Holders of the Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, as a dividend thereon or as a redemption payment on the Redemption Date, as applicable.

## II. Collateral Principal Collections.

On each Payment Date with respect to the **Amortization Period**, Adjusted Collateral Principal Collections with respect to such Payment Date will be applied by the Trustee in the following order of priority:

(i) to the payment of the amounts described in clauses (i) through (vii) with respect to Collateral Interest Collections and the Amortization Period, in the order described therein, in each case to the extent such amounts have not been paid from Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections with respect to such Payment Date; *provided however* that, with respect to the payment described in clause (iii) above, so long as any Class X Notes, Class A-1L Notes or Class A-2L Notes are Outstanding, the Class A-3L Notes shall only be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Interest Amount (or, after the Class A-2L Notes are paid in full, the Cumulative Interest Amount) due to the Class A-3L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections, but only to the extent this payment will not cause the failure of the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test, with respect to (iv) above, so long as any Class X Notes, Class A-1L Notes, Class A-2L Notes or Class A-3L Notes are Outstanding, the Class A-4L Notes shall only be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Interest Amount (or, after the Class A-3L Notes are paid in full, the Cumulative Interest Amount) due to the Class A-4L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections, but only to the extent this payment will not cause the failure of the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test, and with respect to (vi) above, so long as any Class X Notes, Class A-1L Notes, Class A-2L Notes, Class A-3L Notes or Class A-4L Notes are Outstanding, the Class B-1L Notes shall only be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Interest Amount due to the Class B-1L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections but only to the extent this payment will not cause the failure of the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test; and *provided further*, so long as any Class A-1L Notes or Class A-2L Notes are not Outstanding, the Class A-3L Notes shall be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount due to the Class A-3L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections and , so long as any Class A-1L Notes, Class A-2L Notes or Class A-3L Notes are not Outstanding, the Class A-4L Notes shall be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount due to the Class A-4L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections, and then any remaining amounts shall be distributed pursuant to clauses (v) through (vii) above, in the order described therein;

(ii) so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing and as directed by the Servicer or the Issuer (or deposited by the Trustee in the Collection Account), to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral from the proceeds of Collateral Principal Collections from any unscheduled prepayment or to the purchase of Substitute Portfolio Collateral from the sales proceeds of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, meeting the specified requirements with respect to the Amortization Period no later than ninety days after receipt of such amounts, to be applied in the manner described herein; and



(iii) to pay the Notes as follows: first, to the Class A-1LA Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; third, to the Class A-2L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; fourth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class A-3L Notes and then to principal of the Class A-3L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; fifth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class A-4L Notes and then to principal of the Class A-4L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; and sixth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to Class B-1L Notes and then to principal of the Class B-1L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full.

Final Maturity Date.

On the **Final Maturity Date** (including an Optional Redemption Date or a Tax Event Redemption or any other Payment Date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes is paid in full as described herein), in accordance with the Note Valuation Report for the Calculation Date immediately preceding the Final Maturity Date (or in the case of an Optional Redemption or a Tax Event Redemption, in accordance with the related redemption date statement delivered pursuant to the Indenture), Available Funds in the Collection Account in an amount equal to the sum of Adjusted Collateral Collections *plus* Collateral Disposition Proceeds, together with all available funds in the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Loan Funding Account, will be applied by the Trustee in the following order of priority:

- (i) to pay, *pari passu*, the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-1LA Notes, the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-1LB Notes and such Payment Date and the Class X Shortfall Amount plus the Periodic Interest Amount for the Class X Notes and such Payment Date;
- (ii) first, to pay the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes and then to pay the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LB Notes;
- (iii) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-2L Notes and such Payment Date;
- (iv) to pay the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2L Notes;
- (v) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-3L Notes and such Payment Date;
- (vi) to pay the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes;
- (vii) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-4L Notes and such Payment Date;
- (viii) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class B-1L Notes and such Payment Date;
- (ix) to pay the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes;
- (x) to pay any Default Swap Counterparty Termination Payments;
- (xi) to pay, *first*, (a) to the Servicer the Additional Servicing Fee with respect to such Payment Date and (b) to the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend then due and unpaid and, *second*, to the Holders of the Notes any due and unpaid Extension Bonus Payment;

(xii) to pay to the Issuer the Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses with respect to such Payment Date and any Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses with respect to a previous Payment Date that were not paid on a previous Payment Date;

(xiii) if the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares as of such Payment Date is less than 12%, to the payment to the Holders of the Preferred Shares, but only up to an amount that would cause the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares to equal 12%; and

(xiv) any remaining amounts, (a) 20% to (x) the payment of the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date, and (y) the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Supplemental Dividend then due and unpaid, and (b) 80% to the Holders of the Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, as a redemption payment on the Redemption Date, as applicable.

The amount and frequency of principal and interest payments will depend on, among other things, the extent to which the Portfolio Collateral pledged to secure the Notes become items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, are subject to early payment provisions or are retired prior to the Final Maturity Date through mandatory or optional redemption, sale, maturity or other liquidation or disposition and the extent to which Additional Portfolio Collateral meeting the requirements specified herein are available for purchase in circumstances in which Available Funds are to be used for the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral or in circumstances in which the Issuer may dispose of Portfolio Collateral and apply the proceeds thereof to the purchase of Substitute Portfolio Collateral as described herein as well as other factors, including the interest rates obtained in connection with the purchase of any such item of Portfolio Collateral or any Eligible Investment in which funds held in the accounts described herein may be maintained.

Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, with respect to Adjusted Collateral Collections held in the Collection Account in Eligible Investments pending application to purchase Portfolio Collateral, any such amounts not used to purchase Portfolio Collateral by the last day of the Due Period next succeeding the Due Period in which such amounts were collected may be used to purchase Portfolio Collateral in subsequent Due Periods in accordance with "Security for the Notes."

In addition, notwithstanding anything to the contrary, upon the direction of the Issuer (as directed by and in the time and manner directed by the Servicer), Payment Date Equity Securities may be distributed on any Payment Date in lieu of cash as follows:

(i) Payment Date Equity Securities will be paid as Collateral Interest Collections in accordance with the Priority of Payments with respect to the Preferred Shares, and upon such payment, the aggregate amount of Collateral Interest Collections distributable to the Holders of the Preferred Shares on such Payment Date will be reduced by the value of such Payment Date Equity Securities. Payment Date Equity Securities distributed on any Payment Date shall be distributed to the Holders of the Preferred Shares in the same manner as Collateral Interest Collections would be distributable to such Holders of Preferred Shares on such Payment Date and subject to the same restriction as to payment set out in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement; and

(ii) in calculating the amounts of Collateral Interest Collections and Collateral Principal Collections for such Payment Date, Collateral Interest Collections in an amount equal to the value of Payment Date Equity Securities distributed to the Holders of the Preferred Shares shall be recharacterized as Collateral Principal Collections and distributed in accordance with the Priority of Payments herein.

#### Overcollateralization Tests

The "**Overcollateralization Tests**" are applicable until the Notes are retired and all amounts payable in respect thereof are paid, and are satisfied if the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class A Overcollateralization Percentage (the "**Class A Overcollateralization Test**") and the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Percentage (the "**Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test**").

The "**Class A Overcollateralization Percentage**" is 107% and the "**Class B-1L Overcollateralization Percentage**" is 106%.

The "**Class A Overcollateralization Ratio**" means, with respect to a determination made as of any date of calculation, the ratio (expressed as a percentage) obtained by dividing (a) the sum of (1) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate as of such date, calculated in accordance with the Overcollateralization Ratio Adjustment *plus* (2) the sum of the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Collection Account representing Collateral Principal Collections *plus* the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Initial Deposit Account *plus* unpaid Purchased Accrued Interest, each as of such date by (b) the sum of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes (including for this purpose any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts with respect to such Classes of Notes not paid when due, until such amounts, if any, are paid in full) as of such date.

The "**Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio**" is calculated in the same manner, but reduces the numerator by the Overcollateralization Haircut Amount and includes in the denominator the Class B-1L Notes (including, in each case any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts with respect to such Classes of Notes not paid when due, until any such amounts are paid in full).

With respect to an item of Portfolio Collateral that it is both eligible to be included in the Overcollateralization Haircut Amount and is subject to an Overcollateralization Ratio Adjustment, for purposes of calculating the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio, such item of Portfolio Collateral will not be discounted multiple times, but will be treated in the category that results in the largest discount to the par amount of the Portfolio Collateral.

The "**Overcollateralization Ratio Adjustment**" means, for purposes of calculating the Overcollateralization Ratios (i) items of Equity Portfolio Collateral shall not be included as Portfolio Collateral, (ii) items of Deferred Interest PIK Bonds and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral shall be included at the lesser of (a) the Market Value of such Deferred Interest PIK Bond and item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and (b) the Applicable Percentage for such Deferred Interest PIK Bond and item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral multiplied by its Principal Balance; *provided that* any Portfolio Loan that has been an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral for four years shall not be included as Portfolio Collateral and any CLO Security that has been an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral for three years shall not be included as Portfolio Collateral, (iii) with respect to items of Discount Portfolio Collateral, an amount equal to the original purchase price of such item of Discount Portfolio Collateral shall be included as Portfolio Collateral and (iv) to the extent the Aggregate Principal Amount of Current Pay Obligations exceeds 7.5% of the Aggregate Par Amount, such excess shall be included as Defaulted Portfolio Collateral. If an item of Portfolio Collateral could be classified in more than one of the categories set forth in clauses (i) through (iv), such item of Portfolio Collateral will not be discounted multiple times but will be treated in the applicable category that results in the largest discount to the par amount of such item of Portfolio Collateral. Notwithstanding the foregoing, there may be included as Portfolio Collateral (with respect to items (i) through (iv) above) such greater amount as confirmed by the Rating Agencies which will not result in a reduction or withdrawal of the then-current ratings assigned by them to any Class of the Notes.

#### Applicability of Overcollateralization Tests

At any time that the Notes are Outstanding, if any Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on any Calculation Date related to a Payment Date, amounts that are junior in right of payment to such Overcollateralization Test as described under "—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", will be applied to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes (or, in the case of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes and Class B-1L Notes, first to pay Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts and then to pay principal), in the order described under "—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", in an O/C Redemption to the extent necessary to satisfy the applicable Overcollateralization Tests (recalculated on such Payment Date, but as of such Calculation Date, after taking into account such O/C Redemption) in accordance with the provisions described herein.

In addition, generally, satisfaction or, in certain cases, maintenance, of both Overcollateralization Tests is a condition to the purchase or sale of Portfolio Collateral during certain specified periods. See "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral".

Interest Coverage Test

The "**Interest Coverage Test**" is applicable on each Payment Date after the second Payment Date and will be satisfied as of such Payment Date if the Interest Coverage Ratio is at least equal to 1.5%. The "**Interest Coverage Ratio**" means, with respect to any Payment Date after the second Payment Date, a number (expressed as a percentage) calculated by dividing (a) four times the amount by which (i) the Collateral Interest Collections received or scheduled to be received during the Due Period in which such calculation occurs (other than Collateral Interest Collections (including deferred interest thereon) scheduled to be received on any item of Portfolio Collateral that is not paying or expected to pay current interest), exceeds (ii) the Periodic Reserve Amount (excluding amounts payable on the Class B-1L Notes) as of such Payment Date, by (b) the Aggregate Principal Amount of Class A Notes with respect to such Payment Date, as adjusted, to take into account any O/C Redemption to occur on the Payment Date related to such Due Period pursuant the Indenture.

Applicability of Interest Coverage Test

At any time after the second Payment Date that any of the Notes are Outstanding, if the Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied on any Calculation Date related to a Payment Date, amounts that are junior in right of payment to the Interest Coverage Test as described under "—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", will be applied to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes in the order described under "—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", in an O/C Redemption to the extent necessary to satisfy the Interest Coverage Test (recalculated on such Payment Date, but as of such Calculation Date, after taking into account such O/C Redemption) in accordance with the provisions described herein.

In addition, satisfaction of the Interest Coverage Test on the prior Payment Date is a condition to certain purchases and sales of Portfolio Collateral during certain specified periods as described herein. See "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral."

Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement

On each Payment Date after the second Payment Date, even if the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test are satisfied, Collateral Interest Collections that would otherwise be used for payments that are junior in right of payment to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement, as described under "—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions—Revolving Period," will be applied during the Revolving Period, to the payment of principal of the Class B-1L Notes and will be made available to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral or, during the Amortization Period, will be applied to the payment of the Class B-1L Notes and to pay principal of the Notes (other than the Class X Notes) in the order described under "—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions—Amortization Period." The "Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement" with respect to any Payment Date is the amount necessary such that:

(a) the sum of:

(i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date, *plus*

(ii) the sum of the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Collection Account representing Collateral Principal Collections *plus* the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Initial Deposit Account *plus* unpaid Purchased Accrued Interest as of such date, less

(iii) the Overcollateralization Haircut Amount (if any),

equals or exceeds:

(b) 107% of the amount necessary, after giving effect to the amount applied to any O/C Redemption of the Notes (other than the Class X Notes) to satisfy the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test (if applicable) on such Payment Date, to repay the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes (other than the Class X Notes), including any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Additional Collateral

Deposit Requirement is a positive number that is more than the amount available therefor in the Priority of Payments, then the amount distributed with respect to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement shall be such lesser amount available.

For purposes of the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement, no item of Equity Portfolio Collateral shall be included as Portfolio Collateral. In addition for purposes of this requirement, (i) with respect to Defaulted Portfolio Collateral as to which there has occurred a payment default or an event of bankruptcy, only the portion equal to the lesser of (a) the Market Value of such item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and (b) the Applicable Percentage multiplied by the Principal Balance of such item of Portfolio Collateral, shall be included as Portfolio Collateral and (ii) with respect to items of Discount Portfolio Collateral, only an amount equal to the original purchase price of such item of Discount Portfolio Collateral shall be included as Portfolio Collateral. For purposes of calculating the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement, to the extent an item of Portfolio Collateral is considered Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, Discount Portfolio Collateral and/or is included in the Overcollateralization Haircut Amount, such item of Portfolio Collateral will not be discounted multiple times, but will be treated in the category that results in the largest discount to the par amount of the Portfolio Collateral.

#### Rating Confirmation Failure

The Issuer will request that each Rating Agency confirm after the Effective Date that it has not reduced or withdrawn (and not restored) the ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes (a "**Rating Confirmation**"). If the Issuer is unable to obtain a Rating Confirmation by the 35th day after the Effective Date (a "**Rating Confirmation Failure**"), on the next Payment Date and on each subsequent Payment Date during the Revolving Period, amounts that are junior in right of payment to such Rating Confirmation Failure, as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", will be applied to the redemption of the Notes (or, in the case of the Class B-1L Notes, first to pay Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts, then to pay principal) until each such Class is paid in full, in the order and according to the priorities described herein (a "**Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption**"), to the extent necessary to receive a Rating Confirmation, in accordance with the provisions described herein. The Trustee will give notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange if any Class of Notes is then listed on the Irish Stock Exchange.

#### O/C Redemption

If on any Calculation Date any of the Overcollateralization Tests or the Interest Coverage Test are required to be satisfied and are not satisfied, amounts that are junior in right of payment to such test as described under "—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", will be applied to the redemption of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes (or, in the case of the Class B-1L Notes, first to pay Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts, then to pay principal) in the order described under "—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions" (an "**O/C Redemption**") to the extent necessary in order to satisfy both the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test. A redemption of the Notes through a Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption or an O/C Redemption is sometimes referred to herein as a "**Mandatory Redemption**". Any Mandatory Redemption will be effected at par. The Class X Notes are not subject to O/C Redemption, but are subject to Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption. The Trustee will give notice of a Mandatory Redemption to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange if any Class of Notes is then listed on the Irish Stock Exchange.

#### Initial Deposit Redemption

On the Effective Date, to the extent that the full amount of the Deposit is not used to purchase or committed to be used to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral having an Aggregate Principal Amount (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to the Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date) at least equal to the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount in accordance with the guidelines described herein and in the Indenture, an amount (not in excess of the amount of the Deposit not so used to purchase or committed to be used to purchase) equal to the excess of the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount over the par amount of Portfolio Collateral actually acquired (or committed to be acquired) (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to the Original

Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date) will be applied by the Issuer on the November 2006 Payment Date (the "**Initial Deposit Redemption Date**") to make principal payments on the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class X Notes, on a *pro rata* basis (an "**Initial Deposit Redemption**") except, if the amount of the Deposit not so used to purchase or committed to be used to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral does not exceed U.S.\$2,000,000 in the aggregate, such amount will be transferred to the Collection Account on the Effective Date and applied as Collateral Principal Collections. The Trustee will give notice of an Initial Deposit Redemption to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange if any Class of Notes is then listed on the Irish Stock Exchange.

#### Optional Redemption

On any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period (the "**Optional Redemption Date**," which date shall be considered the Final Maturity Date in the case of a Total Optional Redemption (as hereinafter defined)), subject to satisfaction of certain conditions described herein, the Notes will be redeemed, in whole or in part, by the Co-Issuers or the Issuer, as applicable, in accordance with the priority of distributions described herein, if such redemption is directed by the holders of Preferred Shares in the amounts described below.

(a) In the case of an Optional Redemption in whole (a "**Total Optional Redemption**"):

(i) the Holders of at least 75% of the outstanding Preferred Shares eligible to vote direct the Co-Issuer or the Issuer to redeem the Notes; *provided* that any Preferred Shares beneficially owned or controlled by the Servicer, entities affiliated with the Servicer or clients of the Servicer (collectively, the "**Servicer Entities**") in excess of the Original HFP Share Amount, shall be excluded from, and be deemed ineligible to participate in, any such vote to direct any Total Optional Redemption;

(ii) sufficient liquidation proceeds from the Portfolio Collateral must exist to effect the redemption of all Notes in full at their Redemption Price in accordance with the priority of distributions described herein; and

(b) in the case of an Optional Redemption in part (a "**Partial Optional Redemption**" and together with a Total Optional Redemption, referred to herein as an "**Optional Redemption**"):

(i) the Holders of at least 10% of the outstanding Preferred Shares eligible to vote direct the Co-Issuer or the Issuer to redeem the Notes in part; *provided* that any Preferred Shares beneficially owned or controlled by the Servicer Entities, including any HFP Shares, shall be excluded from, and be deemed ineligible to participate in, any such vote to direct any Partial Optional Redemption;

(ii) the Holders of Preferred Shares directing such Partial Optional Redemption shall specify the percentage of Notes that will be subject to redemption *pro rata* (the "**Partial Redemption Percentage**"); *provided* that the Partial Redemption Percentage must be the percentage equivalent to at least 10% of the aggregate outstanding principal amount of the Notes as of the Closing Date; and

(iii) the following conditions must be satisfied:

(1) the Partial Redemption Percentage of the Notes must be redeemed *pro rata* at their respective Optional Redemption Price,

(2) the Collateral Quality Matrix tests, Overcollateralization Tests, Interest Coverage Tests and any other eligibility criteria with respect to the Portfolio Collateral must be satisfied before and after giving effect to such redemption; *provided* that the degree of compliance with the Moody's Weighted Average Rating Test and the Weighted Average Margin Test shall not be diminished after giving effect to such redemption,

(3) any applicable Default Swaps of the Issuer must be modified or terminated in a manner consistent with the economic effect of such redemption and in consideration of the Portfolio Collateral and Eligible Investments that will be owned by the Issuer after giving effect to such redemption, and any net termination payments payable by the Issuer must be paid,

(4) the Rating Condition must be satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency,

(5) not more than three (3) prior Partial Optional Redemptions may have occurred, and

(6) no claims may be pending against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and no judgments may have been rendered against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer which exceed, or reasonably could be expected to result in liabilities that exceed, in the aggregate, \$100,000, unless adequate funds have been reserved or set aside for the payment thereof.

In connection with any Optional Redemption, the Issuer may use all funds credited to the Collection Account to provide for payment of the Optional Redemption Price. If there are not sufficient funds in the Collection Account as of the date the notice of redemption is given to pay the Optional Redemption Price on the Optional Redemption Date and all such payments, fees and expenses (including any termination payments with respect to any Synthetic Securities and any Default Swaps), the Servicer is required to give the Trustee written direction to sell Portfolio Collateral in an amount sufficient to provide funds to pay the Optional Redemption Price in full. The Trustee will give notice of an Optional Redemption to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange if any Class of Notes is then listed on the Irish Stock Exchange.

The Servicer shall have the right to purchase the Preferred Shares held by any Holder that directs the Issuer to effect a Partial Optional Redemption at a price equal to the liquidation value of such Preferred Shares.

#### Tax Event Redemption

The Notes are also subject to redemption on any Payment Date, at the option of the Issuer, in whole but not in part, at the direction of at least 66-2/3% of the Preferred Shares or a majority of the Controlling Class (but only if the Aggregate Principal Balance of Portfolio Collateral is less than 100% of the Class A-1L Notes) on any Payment Date at the Tax Event Redemption Price, if as a result of (i) change in tax law, rule or regulation or the interpretation thereof, the payments to be received on the Portfolio Collateral are reduced as a result of the imposition of withholding tax, (ii) the Issuer is otherwise subjected to tax such that the income of the Issuer is reduced in an amount determined by such holders of Preferred Shares to be material, (iii) (A) one or more items of Portfolio Collateral that were not subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them have become subject to withholding tax or the rate of withholding has increased on one or more items of Portfolio Collateral that were subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them and (B) in any Due Period the aggregate of the payments subject to withholding tax on new withholding tax obligations and the increase in payments subject to withholding tax on increased rate withholding tax obligations, in each case to the extent not "grossed-up" (on an after-tax basis) by the related obligor, represent 5% or more of Interest Proceeds for the Due Period, or (iv) taxes, fees, assessments or other similar charges are imposed on the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in an aggregate amount in any 12-month period in excess of \$2,000,000, other than liabilities for withholding taxes included in clause (iii) above.

As the result of the ownership of Preferred Shares and Notes by the Servicer Entities, and the ability to vote the Preferred Shares and the Notes owned by the Servicer Entities up to a maximum amount equal to the Original HFP Share Amount, the affirmative vote or approval of the Preferred Shares owned by such Servicer Entities, may be required in order to cause an Optional Redemption or a Tax Redemption of the Notes.

#### Special Redemption

The Notes (other than the Class X Notes) are subject to redemption in part on any Payment Date (and on one or more Payment Dates) during the Revolving Period, at the option of the Issuer acting at the direction of the Servicer, if more than U.S.\$2,000,000 of Collateral Principal Collections received are not applied to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral selected by the Servicer and satisfying the criteria described herein by the earlier of ninety days of receipt or the last day of the Revolving Period, in an amount of at least U.S.\$2,000,000 as described under "—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions—Revolving Period—Collateral Principal Collections".

The Trustee will give notice of any redemption which the Issuer and the Servicer have directed to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange if any Class of Notes is then listed on the Irish Stock Exchange.

Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date

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The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Revolving Period to the applicable Extended Revolving Period End Date up to a maximum of four times (so that the Notes can only be extended to 2037) if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously affected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date, (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied, (iii) the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Revolving Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date and (iv) no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing. If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Final Maturity Date of the Notes (other than the Class X Notes) shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Final Maturity Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Notes (other than the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes) or Preferred Shares (other than as may be required pursuant to the Extension Conditions) or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or any other transaction document (the "**Maturity Extension**"). In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes or Preferred Shares wishing to sell such Notes or Preferred Shares to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to "—Extension Procedure" below (such Notes or Preferred Shares as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, "**Extension Sale Securities**"). Each Holder providing an Extension Sale Notice shall be deemed to agree that no Extension Sale Securities shall be purchased unless all Extension Sale Securities are purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date and the other Extension Conditions are satisfied as of such date. The Maturity Extension shall be effective only if the following conditions (the "**Extension Conditions**") are satisfied:

(i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the applicable Extension Effective Date;

(ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions herein, in the Indenture and the Preferred Share Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement immediately after such purchase and the legends on such Notes and Preferred Shares and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency);

(iii) (a) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to S&P (so long as any Notes are then rated by S&P) and (b) either (A) the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio is at least 107.5% and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied as of the related Extension Determination Date and the Interest Coverage Test was satisfied on the immediately preceding Payment Date, the rating of each Class of Notes by Moody's has not been downgraded, withdrawn or qualified from that in effect on the Closing Date (unless it subsequently has been reinstated to the rating assigned on the Closing Date) or (B) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to Moody's (so long as any Notes are then rated by Moody's); and

(iv) (a) the Holders of 100% of the Outstanding Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes have delivered the Extension Sale Notice in the Extension Sale Notice Period or (b) if the Holders of 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes fail to deliver an Extension Sale Notice pursuant to the preceding clause (a), either (A) the Issuer, acting through the Servicer, notifies the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes in writing not later than the last day of the Extension Sale Notice Period that such Class A-1LA Notes shall constitute "Extension Sale Securities" (as a result of which such Class A-1LA Notes must be purchased by an Extension Qualifying Purchaser) or (B) the Holders of 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes have consented in writing to the Maturity Extension not later than the last day of the Extension Sale Notice Period.



In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Holder of Notes other than Extension Sale Securities and the Class X Notes shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment. Holders of Preferred Shares shall not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment. The obligation to make any Extension Bonus Payment shall not be rated by the Rating Agencies. The Extension Bonus Payment shall be payable to any applicable qualifying beneficial owners who have provided the Trustee with an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification. Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with the priority of distributions on a Payment Date shall not be considered "due and payable" hereunder. The failure to pay any such Extension Bonus Payment on such date shall not be an Event of Default, unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Final Maturity Date and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Notes. Unpaid Extension Bonus Payments shall not accrue interest. Such amounts shall be paid to the accounts designated in the applicable Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification or, to the extent otherwise required by the rules of any applicable securities exchange or clearing agency, in a manner determined by the Issuer.

#### *Extension Procedure*

No later than three Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Issuer of its election to extend the Revolving Period (the "**Extension Notice**"), the Trustee shall deliver the Extension Notice to all Holders of Notes (other than the Class X Notes) and the Preferred Shares Paying and Transfer Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preferred Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding), in the form set out in the Indenture, and shall request the Rating Condition for the Maturity Extension from S&P, if applicable. Any Holder of Notes (other than the Class X Notes) and Preferred Shares may give irrevocable notice (an "**Extension Sale Notice**") within 30 days after the Trustee has delivered the Extension Notice (the "**Extension Sale Notice Period**") of its intention to sell its Notes or Preferred Shares to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. If the Holders of 100% of the Outstanding Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes have not delivered the Extension Sale Notice to the Trustee by the 20th calendar day after the date of the Extension Notice, the Trustee shall notify the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes of the date on which the Extension Sale Notice Period shall end and include a statement to the effect that (i) no Extension Sale Notice delivered after the end of the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be effective and (ii) the Class A-1LA Notes for which no Extension Sale Notice has been delivered may be treated as Extension Sale Securities pursuant to clause (v) of the Extension Conditions (as a result of which the Class A-1LA Notes must be purchased by an Extension Qualifying Purchaser). Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of Notes or Preferred Shares that has not given such an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be entitled to sell its Notes or Preferred Shares to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension. If clause (iii)(b)(A) of the Extension Conditions is not satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date as determined by the Issuer (or its agent), the Trustee shall request the Rating Condition to be satisfied with respect to Moody's. On the applicable Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or its agent) shall confirm (i) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Notes or Preferred Shares in compliance with all transfer restrictions in the Indenture and the legends on such Notes or Preferred Shares and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (ii) whether the requirements of clause (iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date and (iii) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the applicable Extension Effective Date. On each Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension shall become effective under the terms of the Indenture; *provided that* all Extension Conditions set forth above are satisfied. No later than two Business Days after each Extension Effective Date, the Trustee based on a determination made by the Issuer, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall deliver a notice to all Holders of Notes and the Preferred Shares Paying and Transfer Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preferred Shares), the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) and the Irish Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class of Notes is listed thereon) confirming whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension became effective, the Issuer shall make any required notifications thereof to the Depositary for any Notes subject to the Maturity Extension. None of the Initial Purchaser, the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

#### Additional Issuance

At any time during the Revolving Period, the Issuer, as applicable, may issue and sell Additional Preferred Shares and use the proceeds from such issuance and sale (net of any fees and expenses incurred in connection with the issuance thereof, including, without limitation, compensation payable to the Initial Purchaser or any placement agent for any services provided in connection therewith) to purchase additional eligible Portfolio Collateral (which may include eligible Portfolio Collateral purchased from any Servicer Entity on an arms-length transaction basis) (an "**Additional Issuance**"); *provided* that certain conditions are satisfied, including without limitation: (a) such Additional Issuance will be a percentage (the "**Additional Issuance Percentage**") specified by the Servicer, of the original issue price of the Preferred Shares issued and Outstanding on the date of the Additional Issuance; (b) such Additional Preferred Shares must be issued for a cash sales price (the net sale proceeds to be used to purchase eligible Portfolio Collateral (or, pending such applications, deposited into the Collection Account and held in Eligible Investments)); (c) the terms (other than the date of issuance, the issue price, the date from which dividends will accrue and similar matters) of such Preferred Shares must be identical to the terms of the applicable Class of Preferred Shares; (d) the Holders of Preferred Shares must be notified in writing 30 days prior to such issuance; (e) the Servicer must consent to such Additional Issuance; and (f) Initial Purchaser must be notified in writing at least 30 days prior to such issuance.

Any amendment to the Indenture, Issuer's Memorandum of Association and Articles of Association or any other related documents required to provide for or facilitate such Additional Issuance will not require the consent of the Holders of Securities.

#### Prescription

Payment in respect of the Notes will cease to be due if not paid to the Holder due to insufficient instructions for a period of twenty years from the Relevant Date therefor. "**Relevant Date**" means the date on which the final payment in respect of the Notes first becomes due, except that if the full amount of the monies payable has not been duly received by the Paying Agent on or prior to such due date, it means the date on which such monies have been so received.

#### Form, Transfer and Transfer Restrictions

Upon issuance, the Notes of each Class sold to non-U.S. Persons (as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act ("**Regulation S**")) (each, a "**non-U.S. Person**") in Offshore Transactions (as defined in Regulation S) in reliance on Regulation S, initially will be represented by a single, temporary global note in fully registered form without interest coupons (the "**Temporary Regulation S Global Note**"), which will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee on behalf of The Depository Trust Company ("**DTC**") on behalf of Euroclear Bank, S.A./N.V., as operator of The Euroclear System ("**Euroclear**") and Clearstream Banking, société anonyme ("**Clearstream**").

Subject to the receipt by the Trustee of a certificate in the form provided by the Indenture from the person holding such interest, a beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note may be exchanged for (i) after the 40th day after the later of the conclusion of the offering and the Closing Date (the "**Exchange Date**"), an interest in a permanent global note in fully registered form without coupons (the "**Permanent Regulation S Global Note**" and, together with the Temporary Regulation S Global Note, the "**Regulation S Global Notes**"), in an amount equal to the aggregate principal amount of such interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note or (ii) at any time for an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note (defined below), if a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note will be transferred to a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is a U.S. Person (defined below), which note will be registered in the name of such person.

Upon deposit of the Permanent Regulation S Global Note of a Class with the Trustee, as custodian for DTC or the common depository, as applicable, Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, will credit each purchaser (or its agent or custodian) with a principal amount of Notes of such Class equal to the principal amount thereof for which it has paid. The Holder of the Regulation S Global Notes (which will be DTC or its nominee) shall be the only person entitled to receive payments in respect of the Notes represented by such Regulation S Global Notes, and the Co-Issuers will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, such Holder of such Regulation S Global Notes in respect of each amount so paid. Each of the persons shown in the records of Euroclear or of Clearstream as the Holder of a particular principal amount of Regulation S Global Notes must look solely to Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, for its share of each payment so made by the Co-Issuers to, or to the order of, the Holder of such

Regulation S Global Notes. No person other than the Holder of the Regulation S Global Notes shall have any claim against the Co-Issuers in respect of any payments due on the Regulation S Global Notes.

Payments on the Regulation S Global Notes will be made pursuant to certain procedures established by DTC, *provided* that the final payment of principal and interest will be made upon presentation and endorsement of such Regulation S Global Notes at the office of a Paying Agent.

Definitive fully registered notes ("**Definitive Notes**") will be issued and exchanged for each Permanent Regulation S Global Note within 30 days of the occurrence of any of the following: (i) the Notes or any of them become immediately due and payable following an Event of Default under the Indenture; (ii) either Euroclear or Clearstream is closed for business for a continuous period of 14 days (other than by reason of holiday, statutory or otherwise) or announces an intention permanently to cease business and no alternative clearance system satisfactory to the Trustee is available; or (iii) as a result of any amendment to, or change in, the laws or regulations of the Cayman Islands or of any authority therein or thereof having power to tax or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations which becomes effective on or after the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers or the Paying Agents are or will be required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Notes which would not be required were the Notes in definitive registered form. Notwithstanding the foregoing, interests in any Temporary Regulation S Global Note or any definitive registered Note purchased by a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction in accordance with Regulation S may not be exchanged for a Definitive Note until receipt by the Trustee from the owner of such beneficial interest of a certificate in the form provided by the Indenture.

Upon issuance, the Notes sold in the United States to Qualified Institutional Buyers will be issued in book-entry form ("**Rule 144A Global Notes**") only through the facilities of DTC. So long as DTC or its nominee is the registered Holder of the Rule 144A Global Notes, DTC or such nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the absolute owner or Holder of such the Notes represented by such Rule 144A Global Notes for all purposes under the Indenture and such Notes. DTC or such nominee, as the case may be, will be the only person entitled to receive payments in respect of the Notes represented by such Rule 144A Global Notes and the Co-Issuers will be discharged by payment to DTC or such nominee. Each of the persons shown in the records of DTC as the beneficial owner of a Rule 144A Global Note must look solely to DTC for its share of each payment made by the Issuer to DTC. No person other than DTC shall have any claim against the Co-Issuers in respect of any payment due under the Rule 144A Global Notes.

Payments on the Rule 144A Global Notes will be made in accordance with the established procedures of DTC and the Co-Issuers will have no liability therefor. In addition, no beneficial owner of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will be able to exchange or transfer such interest except in accordance with the applicable procedures of DTC. None of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Registrar or any Paying Agent will have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests in the Rule 144A Global Notes or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating thereto.

Definitive Notes will be issued and exchanged for each Rule 144A Global Note within 30 days of the occurrence of any of the following: (i) the Notes or any of them become immediately due and payable following an Event of Default under the Indenture; or (ii) DTC notifies the Issuer or the Trustee in writing that it is unwilling or unable to discharge properly its responsibilities as a depository with respect to the Rule 144A Global Notes or it ceases to be a "clearing agency" registered under the Exchange Act (defined below), and the Issuer and the Trustee are unable to locate a qualified successor within 90 days after such notice.

Definitive Notes may be presented for registration of transfer (with the form of transfer endorsed thereon duly executed), at the office of the Registrar, without service charge but upon payment of any taxes and other governmental charges as described in the Indenture. Any registration of transfer will be effected upon the Trustee being satisfied with the documents of title and identity of the person making the request, upon their receipt of any applicable certificates and opinions relating to transfer restrictions, as described below, and subject to such reasonable regulations as the Issuer may from time to time agree with the Trustee, all as described in the Indenture.

The Issuer has initially appointed the Trustee as Registrar. Definitive Notes may be presented for payment or for transfer or exchange at the offices of the Registrar's agent, JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, 4 New York Plaza, ground floor, New York, New York 10004, Attention: WSS Window – WSS (Houston) – Rockwall CDO. The Issuer reserves the right to vary or terminate the appointment of the Registrar or to appoint

additional or other registrars or to approve any change in the office through which any Registrar acts, *provided* that there will at all times be an office or agent located in New York, New York at which the Definitive Notes may be presented for payment or for transfer or exchange.

For so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of such exchange shall so require, the Issuer will have a listing agent and a paying agent (which shall be the "**Irish Paying Agent**") for the Notes in Ireland and payments on such Notes may be effected through the Irish Paying Agent. In the event that the Irish Paying Agent is replaced at any time during such period, notice of the appointment of any replacement will be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

A beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note may only be transferred to (a) a non-U.S. Person in an offshore transaction (as defined in Regulation S) (an "**Offshore Transaction**") in accordance with Regulation S (and in accordance with certain certification requirements in the Indenture) or (b) after the Exchange Date, a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note and who delivers a written certification (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that such person is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is acquiring such interest for its own account (together with certain other requirements set forth in the Indenture). Upon any exchange of a portion of a Regulation S Global Note for a Definitive Note, the Trustee shall endorse such Regulation S Global Note to reflect the reduction of the principal amount evidenced thereby.

Definitive Notes (or any interest therein) may only be transferred in accordance with the applicable laws of any state of the United States and (a) in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act involving a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is a U.S. Person as transferee (in accordance with the certification requirements of the Indenture) or (b) to a person who takes delivery in the form of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note and in such case only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that such transfer is being made to a non-U.S. Person in accordance with Regulation S. Upon any exchange of a Definitive Note for a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note, the Trustee shall endorse such Regulation S Global Note to reflect the increase in the principal amount evidenced thereby.

The Registrar for the Notes will not be required to accept for registration of transfer any Note except upon presentation of a certificate substantially in the form required by the Indenture representing that these restrictions on transfer have been complied with, and, if requested by the Issuer or the Trustee, an opinion of counsel in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer or the Trustee to the effect that such transfer has been made in compliance with an applicable exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States and any other jurisdiction. See "Delivery of the Notes; Transfer Restrictions; Settlement."

No Note may be sold or transferred unless such sale or transfer will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code. In addition, no Class B-1L Note may be sold or transferred to any Plan, or to any person acting on behalf of or with "plan assets" of any Plan, including an insurance company general account, unless the purchaser or transferee is eligible for the exemptive relief available under PTCE 96-23, 95-60, 91-38, 90-1 or 84-14. See "Certain ERISA Considerations."

In addition, sales or other transfers of the Notes may only be made to a purchaser or other transferee (other than a non-U.S. Person in an offshore transaction under Regulation S) that is a Qualified Purchaser in a sale or transfer that would not require the Co-Issuers to become subject to the requirements of the Investment Company Act and the Notes will bear a legend to this effect. See "Delivery of the Notes; Transfer Restrictions; Settlement."

Each prospective purchaser will be deemed to (i) represent that such prospective purchaser is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is purchasing or acquiring Notes solely for its own account or is a non-U.S. Person, (ii) that it and each account for which it is purchasing is purchasing a Class of Notes in at least the related minimum denomination, (iii) that it is a 'single beneficial owner' for purposes of Section 3(c)(1) of the Investment Company Act and (iv) have made the additional representations described under "Delivery of the Notes; Transfer Restrictions; Settlement."

DTC is a limited purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "**Exchange Act**"). DTC was created to hold securities for its participants (the "**DTC Participants**") and to facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between DTC Participants through electronic computerized book-entries, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates. DTC Participants include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies and clearing corporations. Indirect access to the DTC system also is available to others such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a DTC Participant, either directly or indirectly ("**Indirect Participants**").

Unless and until Definitive Notes are issued, all references to actions by Holders of the Rule 144A Global Notes holding through DTC will refer to actions taken by DTC upon instructions received from beneficial owners of the Rule 144A Global Notes through DTC Participants, and all references herein to payments, notices, reports, statements and other information to Holders of Rule 144A Global Notes will refer to payments, notices, reports and statements to DTC or its nominees, as the registered Holder of the Rule 144A Global Notes, for distribution to beneficial owners of Rule 144A Global Notes through DTC Participants in accordance with DTC procedures.

Clearstream is incorporated under the laws of Luxembourg as a professional depository. Clearstream holds securities for its participating organizations ("**Clearstream, Luxembourg Participants**") and facilitates the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between Clearstream, Luxembourg Participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of Clearstream, Luxembourg Participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates. Clearstream provides to its Clearstream, Luxembourg Participants, among other things, services for safekeeping, administration, clearance and settlement of internationally traded securities and securities lending and borrowing. Clearstream interfaces with domestic markets in several countries. As a professional depository, Clearstream is subject to regulation by the Luxembourg Monetary Institute. Clearstream, Luxembourg Participants are recognized financial institutions around the world, including underwriters, securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations and may include the Initial Purchaser. Indirect access to Clearstream is also available to others, such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Clearstream, Luxembourg Participant, either directly or indirectly.

Euroclear was created to hold securities for participants of Euroclear ("**Euroclear Participants**") and to clear and settle transactions between Euroclear Participants through simultaneous electronic book-entry delivery against payment, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates and any risk from lack of simultaneous transfers of securities and cash. Euroclear includes various other services, including securities lending and borrowing and interfaces with domestic markets in several countries generally similar to the arrangements for cross-market transfers with DTC described above. Euroclear is operated by Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. (the "**Euroclear Operator**"), under contract with Euroclear Clearance System, S.C., a Belgian cooperative corporation (the "**Cooperative**"). All operations are conducted by the Euroclear Operator, and all Euroclear securities clearance accounts and Euroclear cash accounts are accounts with the Euroclear Operator, not the Cooperative. The Cooperative establishes policy for Euroclear on behalf of Euroclear Participants. Euroclear Participants include banks (including central banks), securities brokers and dealers and other professional financial intermediaries and may include the Initial Purchaser. Indirect access to Euroclear is also available to other firms that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Euroclear Participant, either directly or indirectly.

The Euroclear Operator is the Belgian branch of a New York banking corporation which is a member bank of the Federal Reserve System. As such, it is regulated and examined by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the New York State Banking Department, as well as the Belgian Banking Commission.

Securities clearance accounts and cash accounts with the Euroclear Operator are governed by the Terms and Conditions Governing Use of Euroclear and the related Operating Procedures of Euroclear and applicable Belgian law (collectively, the "**Terms and Conditions**"). The Terms and Conditions govern transfers of securities and cash within Euroclear, withdrawal of securities and cash from Euroclear, and receipts of payments with respect to securities in Euroclear. All securities in Euroclear are held on a fungible basis without attribution of specific certificates to specific securities clearance accounts. The Euroclear Operator acts under the Terms and Conditions

only on behalf of Euroclear Participants and has no record of or relationship with persons holding through Euroclear Participants.

#### Option to Acquire Bond Insurance

The Indenture will provide that Holders of any Class of Notes may elect to acquire bond insurance, a surety bond or similar credit enhancement supporting the payment of principal and/or interest on such Class of Notes, on terms and conditions acceptable to such Holders. Any Class of Notes subject to such enhancement will be designated as "**Insured Notes**" of such Class. Premiums for any such enhancement will be payable from amounts otherwise payable to such Class of Insured Notes or in such other manner chosen by such Holder. Any Insured Notes of a Class for substantially all other purposes will be treated as Notes of such Class, except that the issuer of the bond insurance policy, surety bond or other such credit enhancement will generally be deemed to be the Holder of the Notes of such Class enhanced by such entity and will in such capacity be entitled to exercise the rights otherwise exercisable by Holders of such Notes.

### **SECURITY FOR THE NOTES**

The Notes will be secured by the Trust Estate. The Trust Estate will consist of substantially all property of the Issuer, including the Portfolio Collateral, the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Closing Expense Account.

#### Portfolio Collateral—General

The Portfolio Collateral (including Original Portfolio Collateral, Additional Portfolio Collateral and Substitute Portfolio Collateral) when purchased (or when committed to be purchased) by the Issuer, will consist of (I) United States dollar denominated commercial loans in registered form, including participation and assignment interests therein, collateralized loan obligations, including synthetic securities, of any corporation, partnership, limited liability company or trust, of the United States government or any agency or instrumentality thereof or of other sovereign issuers, which obligations:

- (a) are "eligible assets" as defined in Rule 3a-7;
- (b) except as described below, provide for periodic payments of interest thereon in cash no less frequently than semiannually;
- (c) provide for a fixed amount of principal to be payable according to a fixed schedule or at maturity;
- (d) are not items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, items of Equity Portfolio Collateral or a margin stock, or, except as described below, items of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral;
- (e) except as described below, are not zero-coupon bonds, bonds that provide for a combination of no coupon and a fixed coupon, step-up bonds (except for step-up bonds providing for the payment of current interest at a rate no less than 5% *per annum* or Collateral LIBOR, if floating rate), other than with respect to the Initial Portfolio Collateral on the Closing Date, Partial Deferred Interest Bonds (except for such bonds providing for the payment of current interest at a rate no less than 5% *per annum* or Collateral LIBOR, if floating rate);
- (f) are not currently the subject of an Offer that would result in (i) the Issuer owning a security not meeting the requirements of Portfolio Collateral, not paying current interest, or, in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, not expected to pay in full at maturity, or (ii) the Issuer receiving Eligible Investments or cash in a par amount less than that of the original security or the subject of an Exchange Offer;
- (g) do not provide for conversion or exchange into equity capital at any time over their respective lives (other than the exercise of any warrant, profit participation or other equity-like interest which is a component of a Unit);

(h) with respect to Portfolio Collateral which consists of Floating Rate Collateral, have an interest rate which adjusts periodically in accordance with changes in one or more established indices at least one of which is the London interbank offered rate for one-, two-, three- or six-month U.S. dollar deposits and which adjusts at least semiannually or, with respect to items of Fixed Rate Collateral, have an interest rate that remains constant until the maturity of such obligations or are Reset Debt Securities; *provided* that not more than 5.0% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate may include items of Portfolio Collateral the interest rate on which adjusts in accordance with one or more indices that do not include the London interbank offered rate for one-, two-, three-, or six-month U.S. dollar deposits;

(i) have coupon or other payments that are not subject to U.S. withholding tax and are not at time of purchase subject to foreign withholding tax unless the issuer of the security is required to make "gross-up" payments sufficient to cause the net amount to be received on the debt obligations to equal the amount that would have been paid had no such withholding tax applied;

(j) mature on or before August 1, 2021 or, if a Maturity Extension as occurred, the then applicable Extended Final Maturity Date, except that up to 5.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount may mature after such date but before 5 years after such date; *provided that*, with respect to Portfolio Loans, no more than 3.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount may mature after August 1, 2021 or, if a Maturity Extension as occurred, the then applicable Extended Final Maturity Date, but before two years after such date and no Portfolio Loans may mature after two years after such date;

(k) the terms of which do not, unless they are Delayed Drawdown Loans or Revolving Loans, require the Holder to assume or otherwise undertake any funding obligations or liabilities (of a contingent nature or otherwise);

(l) are payable only in United States dollars;

(m) are not Current Pay Obligations

(n) are not Debt Securities;

(o) the S&P Rating of which does not include a subscript of "r", "t", "p", "pi" or "q" unless otherwise agreed to by Standard & Poor's in writing and a Moody's Rating that addresses the full amount of principal or interest indicated would be paid;

(p) and, during the Revolving Period, CLO Securities having a Moody's Rating of "Ba2" or higher and an S&P Rating of "BB" or higher and, after the Revolving Period are not CLO Securities;

(q) are not PIK Bonds which are currently deferring interest payments or receiving payments in-kind pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instrument; and

(r) satisfy, together with the other Portfolio Collateral to be concurrently included in the Trust Estate, the other applicable criteria set forth in the Indenture, including the ratings guidelines and guidelines concerning issuer concentration and industry concentration described below; or

(II) Synthetic Securities (as described herein); *provided* that the Servicer concludes, based on advice of counsel, that the Synthetic Securities are "eligible assets" for purposes of Rule 3a-7.

Interests in commercial loans included in the Portfolio Collateral are referred to herein as "**Portfolio Loans**," and interests in collateralized loan obligations in the Portfolio Collateral are referred to herein as "**CLO Securities**." The Issuer may invest in participations ("**Participations**") in Portfolio Loans, or purchase assignments ("**Assignments**") of portions of Portfolio Loans.

In addition, up to 20% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of Synthetic Securities. The purchase of Synthetic Securities may involve certain additional risks not present in the purchase of other Portfolio Collateral.

See "Special Considerations—Nature of Collateral Pledged to Secure the Notes; Ability to Obtain Additional Portfolio Collateral; Availability of Funds for Subordinate Payments" For purposes of the eligibility criteria and related tests, a Synthetic Security will generally be included as an item of Portfolio Collateral having the maturity, interest rate and other payment characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the Reference Obligation (including characterization as either an item of Fixed Rate Collateral or Floating Rate Collateral) and, with respect to all other characteristics, will be included as an item of Portfolio Collateral having the relevant characteristics of the related Reference Obligation and not of the Synthetic Security.

Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, in no event may the Issuer acquire or dispose of any item of Portfolio Collateral or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Issuer or the Servicer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase an item of Portfolio Collateral to be included in the Trust Estate and at the time of such commitment such item of Portfolio Collateral complied with the definition of Portfolio Collateral, then the Issuer or Servicer may consummate the purchase of such item of Portfolio Collateral notwithstanding that such item of Portfolio Collateral fails to comply with the definition of Portfolio Collateral on the date of settlement.

The Servicer may only direct the Trustee to sell an item of Portfolio Collateral that is the subject of an Offer or call for redemption, if together with its direction to sell such security, the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that the sales price for such Security is equal to or greater than 1% less than the price available pursuant to such Offer or call and such sale will be treated as if the Offer or call were consummated for purposes of determining the Collections for the Due Period relating to the date on which such sale occurs.

The manner and timing for any purchase or sale of any item of Portfolio Collateral and the determination of when any such purchase or sale becomes effective for purposes of any calculations of the Overcollateralization Tests or other collateral criteria shall be set forth in the Indenture.

If an item of Portfolio Collateral becomes subject to an Exchange Offer after it has been purchased by the Issuer, the Servicer will be permitted to take such action with respect to the Underlying Instrument or the issuer thereof as may be required to convert such item of Portfolio Collateral into an item of Equity Portfolio Collateral.

Simultaneously with the issuance of the Notes, an Aggregate Principal Amount of Initial Portfolio Collateral securing the Notes at least equal to the Initial Portfolio Collateral Amount will be acquired or committed to be acquired by the Issuer from the net proceeds of the sale of the Notes and the Preferred Shares. The Issuer will also pledge the Deposit (consisting of cash deposited in the Initial Deposit Account in the approximate amount such that the Issuer can purchase or commit to purchase an Aggregate Principal Amount of Original Portfolio Collateral on or before November 1, 2006 (the "**Effective Date**"), at least equal the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount) to the Trustee on the Closing Date, which Deposit will be used to purchase Eligible Investments at the direction of the Issuer pending application to purchase or commit to purchase Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date, subject to the requirements and restrictions set forth in the Indenture. A portion of the Initial Portfolio Collateral, and the remaining Portfolio Collateral may be, acquired from or through Bear Stearns, the Servicer or their affiliates, at negotiated prices acceptable to the Issuer and the Servicer or if purchased from the Servicer or its affiliates at prices determined in accordance with the procedures described under "Special Considerations—Potential Conflicts of Interest."

The Issuer and the Servicer will seek to use the Deposit to purchase additional Original Portfolio Collateral prior to the Effective Date in accordance with the guidelines described herein and in the Indenture. If the Issuer and the Servicer are unable to use or commit to use the full amount of the Deposit on or prior to the Effective Date to purchase additional Original Portfolio Collateral having an Aggregate Principal Amount (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to the Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date) at least equal to the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount, the Issuer will be required to effect an Initial Deposit Redemption on the Initial Deposit Redemption Date as described herein except, if the amount of the Deposit not so used or committed does not exceed U.S.\$2,000,000 in the aggregate, such amount will be transferred to the Collection Account as Collateral Principal Collections on the Effective Date.



If a Suspension Trigger Event is in effect, a majority of the Controlling Class may deliver notice to the Issuer directing the Issuer and the Servicer to suspend any purchases of additional items for inclusion in the Trust Estate as an item of Portfolio Collateral. Such suspension shall automatically terminate once a Suspension Trigger Event is no longer in effect.

#### Criteria for Purchase and Substitution of Collateral

The Issuer's entry into a commitment to purchase any additional collateralized loan obligations, synthetic securities and commercial loans after the Effective Date (each, an item of "**Additional Portfolio Collateral**") with Available Funds is subject to the limitations described under "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral" and further is subject in each case to the following restrictions: (i) each of the Overcollateralization Tests is satisfied (*provided* that unscheduled principal proceeds may be used to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral even if such tests are not satisfied, so long as the results of such tests would not be diminished) and (ii) the collateral criteria specified below are satisfied or the degree of compliance with such collateral criteria would not be diminished. In addition, during the Amortization Period, Collateral Principal Collections from any unscheduled prepayment may be used to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral as described and meeting the requirements herein. The Issuer's entry into a commitment to purchase any substitute collateralized loan obligations, synthetic securities and commercial loans (each, an item of "**Substitute Portfolio Collateral**") with Collateral Disposition Proceeds during the Revolving Period is subject in each case to the following restrictions: (i) the Overcollateralization Tests and the collateral criteria specified herein are satisfied and the Interest Coverage Test (after the second Payment Date) for the most recent Payment Date was satisfied or (ii) if the Overcollateralization Tests and the collateral criteria specified below are not satisfied, the degree of compliance with such tests or criteria would not be diminished. In connection with a sale of an item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral after the Revolving Period or the receipt of Collateral Principal Collections in connection with an unscheduled prepayment after the Revolving Period, the Issuer may enter into commitments to apply such net disposition proceeds or such unscheduled prepayments (net of accrued interest and costs) to the purchase of Portfolio Loans either as Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral. Substitute Portfolio Collateral may not be purchased with Collateral Disposition Proceeds from the sale of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral unless, after giving effect to such purchase, each of the Overcollateralization Tests is satisfied and the Interest Coverage Test for the most recent Payment Date was satisfied. The Issuer is not required, and may not be permitted under certain circumstances, to purchase or sell Portfolio Collateral and the rules described above are limited as set forth below under "—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral."

Notwithstanding the forgoing, if there is no appointment of a successor Servicer within 90 days after the resignation or termination of the Servicer, any sales or disposition of Portfolio Collateral shall be limited to Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral; provided that such restriction on the sale or disposition of Portfolio Collateral shall not apply if the Portfolio Collateral is being liquidated in whole or in part in connection with an acceleration or early termination of the Notes.

#### S&P CDO Monitor Test

The "**S&P CDO Monitor Test**" will be satisfied if, after giving effect to the purchase or sale of an item of Portfolio Collateral (or both), as the case may be, (i) the S&P Loss Differential (defined below) of the Proposed Portfolio (defined below) is positive or (ii) the S&P Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is greater than the S&P Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio (defined below). The S&P CDO Monitor Test is not applicable and does not have to be satisfied or maintained when reinvesting the proceeds of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral or Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral.

The "**S&P Loss Differential**" at any time, is the rate calculated by subtracting the S&P Scenario Default Rate (defined below) from the S&P Break-Even Default Rate (defined below) at such time.

The "**S&P Scenario Default Rate**" at any time, is an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, consistent with a "AAA" rating by S&P with respect to the Class A-1L Notes and the Class X Notes, a "AA" rating by S&P with respect to the Class A-2L Notes, a "A" rating by

S&P with respect to the Class A-3L Notes, a "A-" rating by S&P with respect to the Class A-4L Notes and a "BBB" rating by S&P with respect to the Class B-1L Notes, determined by application of the S&P CDO Monitor (defined below) at such time.

The "**S&P Break-Even Default Rate**" at any time, is the maximum percentage of defaults which the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, can sustain, as determined by S&P through application of the S&P CDO Monitor which, after giving effect to S&P's assumptions on recoveries and timing and to the priority of payments, will result in sufficient funds remaining for the principal repayment of the Notes in full and the timely payment, as applicable, of interest on each Class of Notes as set forth in the Indenture.

The "**Current Portfolio**" means the Pledged Securities in the Trust Estate immediately prior to the sale, maturity or other disposition of an item of Portfolio Collateral or immediately prior to the acquisition of an item of Portfolio Collateral, as the case may be.

The "**Proposed Portfolio**" means the Aggregate Par Amount resulting from the sale, maturity or other disposition of an item of Portfolio Collateral or a proposed purchase of an item of Portfolio Collateral, as the case may be.

The "**S&P CDO Monitor**" is a dynamic, analytical computer model developed by S&P and used to estimate default risk of items of Portfolio Collateral and provided to the Servicer and the Issuer on or before the Closing Date, as it may be modified by S&P from time to time in connection with its confirmation of the ratings of the Notes following the Closing Date. The S&P CDO Monitor calculates the cumulative default rate of a pool of Portfolio Collateral consistent with a specified benchmark rating level based upon S&P's proprietary corporate debt default studies. In calculating the S&P Scenario Default Rate, the S&P CDO Monitor considers each obligor's most senior unsecured debt rating, the number of obligors in the portfolio, the obligor and industry concentration in the portfolio and the remaining weighted average maturity of the Portfolio Collateral and calculates a cumulative default rate based on the statistical probability of distributions of defaults on the Portfolio Collateral.

#### Moody's Asset Correlation Test and Weighted Average Rating Test

The Moody's Asset Correlation Test and weighted average rating of the Portfolio Collateral will be calculated in accordance with the methodology prescribed by Moody's and more fully described in the Indenture. The MAC Test and "**Weighted Average Rating Test**" will be satisfied in accordance with the application of the Collateral Quality Matrix described below.

The Moody's Asset Correlation ("**MAC**") Test (the "**MAC Test**") will be satisfied on each Measurement Date if the Moody's Correlation Factor on such Measurement Date (rounded up to the nearest whole number) is equal to or less than the designated Moody's Correlation Factor determined by application of the Collateral Quality Matrix. In connection with the MAC Test, the Moody's Correlation Factor is a single number determined in accordance with the correlation methodology provided to the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator by Moody's.

#### Collateral Quality Matrix Tests

Under the Indenture, the Servicer will be permitted to select from a table (that will be included in the Indenture, the "**Collateral Quality Matrix**"), a different group of thresholds for satisfying or otherwise determining the following tests:

- the Moody's Asset Correlation Test;
- the Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test;
- the Weighted Average Rating Test; and
- the Weighted Average Margin Test.

Therefore, notwithstanding anything to the contrary described herein, after giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, the minimum/maximum amounts required to satisfy each of such tests may vary from time to time. In determining whether the criteria set forth in the Collateral Quality Matrix are satisfied, the Servicer may use the Collateral Quality Formula (as set forth in the Indenture) to interpolate between values of such criteria or may use any other method that is agreed to by the Issuer and Moody's. Depending on the combination of thresholds in the Collateral Quality Matrix selected by the Servicer at any time, except as described below, the minimum required MAC Test can range from 3.0% to 4.0%; the maximum permitted weighted average rating factor prescribed by Moody's can range from 1500 to 2500; the minimum required average recovery rate prescribed by Moody's can range from 40.0% to 45.5% and the minimum Weighted Average Margin can range from 1.50% to 3.00%.

Each group of minimum/maximum amounts included in the Collateral Quality Matrix will include a combination of the minimum/maximum scores that are required to satisfy each of the Collateral Quality Matrix Tests. The Servicer may elect from time to time to have different combinations apply so long as (a) immediately after giving effect to the change in combinations, each of the applicable tests will be satisfied or not diminished and (b) the S&P CDO Monitor Test would have been satisfied as of the date of the most recent purchase or sale of an item of Portfolio Collateral had such test been calculated using the Current Portfolio, the Proposed Portfolio, and the S&P Scenario Default Rate that was in effect immediately prior to such purchase or sale, but using the S&P Break-Even Default Rate applicable to the Notes that would have been applicable after giving effect to the change in combinations. In no event will the Servicer be obligated to change the combinations contemplated by the Collateral Quality Matrix. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the combination of scores required to satisfy each of the Collateral Quality Matrix Tests may be changed if the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to such change and, as a result, the minimum/maximum amounts may change as well.

#### Weighted Average Margin Test

The "**Weighted Average Margin Test**" will be determined by application of the Collateral Quality Matrix described above, after giving effect to any Coupon Adjustment.

The "**Weighted Average Margin**" refers to the amount (rounded up to the nearest 0.001%) equal to (i) the sum of the products obtained by multiplying the margin over Collateral LIBOR on each item of Floating Rate Collateral (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) as of the date of calculation (which will be determined for items of Floating Rate Collateral that do not bear interest based on Collateral LIBOR by expressing the current interest rate on such Floating Rate Collateral as a margin above or below three-month LIBOR on the date of determination, which margin will be expressed as a negative number if such current interest rate is lower than three-month LIBOR) by the Principal Balance of such item of Floating Rate Collateral (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) as of such date, divided by (ii) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all such Floating Rate Collateral (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) on such date.

For purposes of calculating the Weighted Average Margin for any Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Bank Loan, the principal balance representing the funded portion will be multiplied by the margin above Collateral LIBOR and the principal balance representing the unfunded portion will be multiplied by the commitment fee related thereto.

If an item of Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral does not provide for Collateral LIBOR, the margin for this purpose shall be equal to the then applicable interest rate minus then current LIBOR. If an item of Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral has a Collateral LIBOR floor, the excess of such floor rate over Collateral LIBOR will be added to the margin above Collateral LIBOR for purposes of calculating the Weighted Average Margin of such item of Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral.

#### Weighted Average Coupon Test

The "**Weighted Average Coupon Test**" will be satisfied if, after the Effective Date, none of the Portfolio Collateral is Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral or if, after giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral and after giving effect to any Coupon Adjustment, the Weighted Average Coupon is at least equal to 7.5%

*per annum* as of the date of determination (or such lower per annum rate that the Rating Agencies have confirmed would not result in a withdrawal or downgrade of any of the then current ratings assigned by them to the Notes).

The "**Weighted Average Coupon**" refers to the amount (rounded up to the nearest 0.001%) determined by summing the products obtained by multiplying, for each item of Fixed Rate Collateral then included in the Trust Estate (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral), the Principal Balance of such item of Portfolio Collateral and the stated rate of interest of such item of Portfolio Collateral and then dividing such sum by the Aggregate Principal Amount of all of the Fixed Rate Collateral included in the Trust Estate (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) as of such date of determination.

Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test. The Minimum Average Recovery Rate will be calculated in accordance with the methodology prescribed by Moody's and S&P and more fully described in the Indenture. The "**Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test**" with respect to Moody's, will be determined by application of the Collateral Quality Matrix described above and with respect to S&P, will be determined as set forth in the Indenture.

Weighted Average Life Requirement. The "**Weighted Average Life Requirement**" will be satisfied on any date of determination if the Weighted Average Life on such date of all items of Portfolio Collateral is equal to or less than the number of years set forth in Schedule I to the Indenture opposite the period set forth in Schedule I to the Indenture in which such requirement is being measured or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Weighted Average Life may vary from the restrictions set forth in the Indenture if the Rating Agencies have confirmed such variance would not result in a withdrawal or downgrade of any of the then current ratings assigned by them to the Notes.

The "**Weighted Average Life**" refers to the amount determined by summing the products obtained by multiplying, for each item of Portfolio Collateral (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) then included in the Trust Estate, the Principal Balance of such item of Portfolio Collateral and the Average Life (as such term is defined below) of such item of Portfolio Collateral as of such date of determination and then dividing such sum by the Aggregate Principal Amount of all of the Portfolio Collateral (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and Current Pay Obligations) included in the Trust Estate as of such date of determination. For any item of Portfolio Collateral, the "Average Life" shall be equal to the number of years obtained by dividing (a) the Principal Balance of such item of Portfolio Collateral into (b) the sum of the products obtained by multiplying (i) the amount of each of the remaining, required principal payments on such item of Portfolio Collateral by (ii) the number of years (calculated to the nearest one-twelfth) that will have elapsed between such date of determination and the making of such payment.

Rating. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral: (i) at least 90% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate must be obligations of issuers having at least one class of indebtedness actually rated by Moody's (either publicly or privately) and (ii) at least 90% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate must be obligations of issuers having at least one class of indebtedness actually rated by S&P (either publicly or privately).

CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral Limitation. The proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral may not increase the Aggregate Principal Amount of CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate to more than 5.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount; *provided that* the Issuer may purchase CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral which would increase the Aggregate Principal Amount of CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate above 5.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount with the proceeds of CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral; and *provided further* that no CLO Securities may be included in the determination of this CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral Limitation.

Limitation on Non-U.S. Debt. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral,

(a) not more than 10% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligors;

(b) not more than 10% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligors in any single Group A Country;

(c) not more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount included may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor in all Group B Countries;

(d) not more than 2% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor in any single Group B Country;

(e) not more than 2.5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor in all jurisdictions that are not Group A Countries or Group B Countries;

(f) not more than 1% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor in any single jurisdiction that is not a Group A Country or Group B Country; and

(g) no Portfolio Collateral may consist of CLO Securities that are obligations of Non-U.S. Obligor.

Issuer Limitation. (i) After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Loan, no more than 1.50% of the Aggregate Par Amount may represent obligations of any single obligor, *provided* that obligations of not more than five obligors of Portfolio Loans may represent no more than 2.00% of the Aggregate Par Amount and (ii) after giving effect to the proposed purchase of any CLO Security, no more than 2.75% of the Aggregate Par Amount may represent obligations of any single obligor.

Industry Category Concentration. (i) No more than 8% of the Aggregate Par Amount is in any one Standard & Poor's Industry Category; *provided, however*, in the case of three (3) Standard & Poor's Industry Categories, 12% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Collateral that are obligations of obligors in any one Standard & Poor's Industry Category, and (ii) no more than 32% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Collateral that are obligations of obligors in any three Standard & Poor's Industry Categories.

Limitation on Fixed Rate Collateral. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, no more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may bear interest at a fixed rate.

Limitation on Portfolio Loans. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral,

(a) at least 70% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate must be Portfolio Loans (including Synthetic Securities, the Reference Obligations of which are loans); and

(b) not more than 10% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate may be Portfolio Loans that are not Senior Secured Loans (including Synthetic Securities, the Reference Obligations of which are loans).

Limitation on CLO Securities. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral,

(a) not more than 30% of the Aggregate Par Amount may be CLO Securities;

(b) not more than 10% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of CLO Securities that have a Moody's Rating below "Baa3" or an S&P Rating below "BBB-", *provided* that not more than 2.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of a single CLO Security with such ratings;

(c) not more than 4.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of CLO Securities of a single manager which shall not be any of the Servicer Entities; and

(d) not more than 5.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of CLO Securities managed by any of the Servicer Entities; *provided* that not more than 1.5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of CLO Securities of a single issuer serviced or managed by the Servicer;

*provided*, that no CLO Securities may be purchased after August 1, 2009, unless an Extension shall occur in which case CLO Securities may be purchased during the full period of such Extension in accordance with all the criteria and restrictions provided herein that are applicable during the Revolving Period.

Limitations on Step-Up Bonds. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, no more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may include step-up bonds.

Limitation on Semiannual Portfolio Collateral. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, no more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may include items of Portfolio Collateral that provide for the periodic payment in cash of interest less frequently than quarterly, but not less frequently than semiannually.

Limitation on Participations, Synthetic Securities and Non-U.S. Portfolio Loans. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Substitute Portfolio Collateral or Additional Portfolio Collateral, no more than 20% of the Aggregate Par Amount may be Participations, Synthetic Securities, securities lending agreements or Portfolio Loans that are obligations of non-U.S. entities which are not in a Group A Country. Further, no Participation may be purchased from any Selling Institution (including for this purpose the seller of any participation and the seller of any sub-participation) rated below "A" by S&P or "A2" by Moody's. In addition, the table below generally describes limitations on (i) the percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount which consist of Synthetic Securities related to the long-term debt rating of the Synthetic Security Counterparty, (ii) the percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount which consists of Participations related to the long-term debt rating of the related Selling Institution, and (iii) the limitations on the percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount which consists of Participations and Synthetic Securities in the aggregate related to the long-term debt rating of the Selling Institution or Synthetic Security Counterparty, as the case may be.

<u>Rating</u> <u>(S&amp;P/Moody's)</u>	<u>Individual Synthetic</u> <u>Security Counterparty</u> <u>Limit</u>	<u>Individual Participation</u> <u>Selling Institution Limit</u>	<u>Aggregate Synthetic</u> <u>Security Counterparty</u> <u>and Participation Selling</u> <u>Institution Limit</u>
AAA/Aaa	20.0%	20.0%	20.0%
AA+/Aa1	10.0%	10.0%	20.0%
AA/Aa2	10.0%	10.0%	17.5%
AA-/Aa3	10.0%	10.0%	15.0%
A+/A1	5.0%	5.0%	10.0%
A/A2	5.0%	5.0%	7.5%

*provided*, that no more than 3% of the Aggregate Par Amount may be Synthetic Securities consisting of Default Swaps. For purposes of the foregoing, the limitations shall be calculated separately for each of Standard & Poor's and Moody's and each such limitation must be satisfied.

Original Issue Size. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, at least 80% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate will be Portfolio Loans that are part of a senior credit facility whose aggregate original principal amount (whether or not funded and including all tranches thereunder) is not less than U.S.\$100,000,000. No item of Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate will be CLO Securities that are part of an issuer's aggregate issuance whose aggregate original principal amount (including all tranches thereunder) is less than U.S.\$100,000,000. No item of Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate will be Portfolio Loans that are part of a senior credit facility whose aggregate original principal amount (whether or not funded and including all tranches thereunder) is less than \$50,000,000.

Delayed Drawdown Loans and Revolving Loans. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, no more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of Delayed Drawdown Loans and no more than 7.5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of Revolving Loans; provided that no more than 10% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of Delayed Drawdown Loans and Revolving Loans in the aggregate.

A Delayed Drawdown Loan will not be eligible for purchase by the Issuer for inclusion in the Trust Estate unless the agreement or instrument that governs the rights and obligations of the related borrower and lender or lenders provides (i) that advances may be made for a period not to exceed one (1) year from the date of origination of the Delayed Drawdown Loan and in any event before the end of the Revolving Period; (ii) for a maximum amount that can be borrowed from the Issuer on one or more specified borrowing dates; (iii) that funds borrowed from the Issuer and subsequently repaid may not be reborrowed and (iv) that the borrower is entitled to such additional advances only upon the achievement of financial performance or other objective criteria established at origination and set forth in such credit agreement.

In addition, simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of any Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan, the Issuer is required to deposit into the Loan Funding Account the full amount of any advances or delayed draws that may be required of the Issuer thereunder and principal repaid under any Revolving Loan is required to be deposited in the Loan Funding Account to the extent the Issuer's obligation to fund any future advances has not been irrevocably reduced.

Debtor-in-Possession Financings. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, no more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of DIP Loans. Any such items of Portfolio Collateral must be assigned a formal or estimated rating by Moody's and S&P.

Collateral Obligations Loaned under Securities Lending Agreements. No more than 15% of the Aggregate Par Amount may include Portfolio Collateral subject to any securities lending agreement as set forth in the Indenture.

PIK Bonds. No more than 30% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of PIK Bonds.

No Event of Default. No Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing.

#### Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral

The Portfolio Collateral may be retired prior to their respective final maturities, as a result of, among other things, the existence and frequency of exercise of any optional or mandatory redemption features of such securities. Subject to the terms of the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture, the Servicer is also permitted to direct the Trustee to sell (i) any Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and (ii) any Equity Portfolio Collateral.

In addition, subject to the terms of the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture, including the restrictions described herein, the Servicer may, at any time during the life of the Notes, direct the Trustee to dispose of one or more items of Portfolio Collateral in cases where (i) an item of Portfolio Collateral is, in the Servicer's sole judgment (which judgment shall not be questioned as a result of subsequent events), likely to decline in credit quality and, with the passage of time, become an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral; *provided*, that in forming such judgment an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases of such judgment ("**Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral**") or (ii) an item of Portfolio Collateral has, in the Servicer's sole judgment, improved in credit quality or otherwise satisfies the Credit Improved Criteria (subject to the proviso thereof); *provided*, that in forming such judgment a reduction in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases of such judgment ("**Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral**"). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary stated herein, if any item of Portfolio Collateral is to be purchased with the Collateral Disposition Proceeds of one or more assets that are not Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, Portfolio Collateral Sold pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange or Portfolio Collateral that has become subject to withholding tax, the purchase of the proposed item of Portfolio Collateral must (i) restore compliance with the collateral criteria described above, the Interest Coverage Test or the Overcollateralization Tests (or bring the total Portfolio Collateral closer to compliance with any such test or limitation) not then satisfied or (ii) on a net basis improve the quality of the Portfolio Collateral as measured by such collateral criteria, Interest Coverage Test or Overcollateralization Tests and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii) without causing any other collateral criteria, Interest Coverage Test or Overcollateralization Test to be violated or significantly increase the likelihood of such violation in the future.

In determining whether any Portfolio Collateral is likely to decline in credit quality and, with the passage of time become Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, the Servicer may, in its sole judgment, consider any relevant factor,

including (without limitation) whether any of the Credit Risk Criteria exist. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the existence or absence of any particular factor shall not require or prevent the Servicer's determination that any Portfolio Collateral is likely to decline in credit quality and, with the passage of time, become Defaulted Portfolio Collateral; *provided* that in forming such determination an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral may only be used as corroboration of other bases for such determination. Substitute Portfolio Collateral may not be purchased with Collateral Disposition Proceeds from the sale of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral unless, after giving effect to such purchase, each of the Overcollateralization Tests is satisfied and the Interest Coverage Test for the most recent Payment Date was satisfied.

In determining whether any Portfolio Collateral meets the definition of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, the Servicer may, in its sole judgment, consider any relevant factor, including (without limitation) whether any of the Credit Improved Criteria exist. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the existence or absence of any particular factor shall not require or prevent the Servicer's determination that any Portfolio Collateral has a market price that is greater than the price that is warranted by its terms and credit characteristics; *provided*, that in forming such judgment a reduction in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral may only be utilized as corroboration or other bases for such judgment.

Subject to the Sale Restriction Condition, Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral may be sold at any time. In connection with a sale of an item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral during the Revolving Period, the Servicer (x) is required to identify in writing before the sale one or more specific manners in which it will be able, in accordance with the requirements of the Indenture, to cause the Issuer to apply the Collateral Disposition Proceeds of such sale (net of accrued interest and costs) to the purchase of Substitute Portfolio Collateral having an Aggregate Principal Amount equal to or greater than the Principal Balance of such item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral by the end of the immediately succeeding Due Period (it being understood that such identification shall not be considered a requirement or an assurance that my specific purchase will be consummated) and (y) is required to certify that it reasonably believes at the time of such sale that, after giving effect to such sale and subsequent purchase, either (i) the Overcollateralization Tests and all other criteria for the purchase of Portfolio Collateral are satisfied or (ii) if one or more of such tests or criteria is not satisfied, the degree of compliance with such test or criteria would not be diminished. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any Portfolio Collateral may also be sold upon the advice of an opinion of counsel that such item of Portfolio Collateral is, or may become, subject to a withholding or other similar tax. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary stated herein, the Servicer may direct the sale of an item of Portfolio Collateral that was CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral or Discount Portfolio Collateral at the time of purchase only if it constitutes Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral or Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, is sold in connection with the Optional Redemption of Notes in whole or if the Servicer reasonably expects that the sale and any related purchase of Substitute Portfolio Collateral will restore compliance with any of the Interest Coverage Test, the collateral criteria described above or the Overcollateralization Tests that would be failed or not satisfied in the absence of such sale and purchase.

During any period after the first Due Period (x) with respect to sales of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, if the rating of the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes or the Class A-2L Notes has been downgraded at least one rating sub-category by Moody's (and has not been restored) or the rating of any of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes or the Class B-1L Notes has been downgraded by at least two rating sub-categories by Moody's (and has not been restored to a rating no more than one rating sub-category below the original rating of such Class of Notes), or if the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio is less than 90% of the Class A Overcollateralization Percentage, or (y) with respect to sales of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, if the rating of the Class A-1L Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes or the Class A-2L Notes has been downgraded at least one rating sub-category by Moody's (and has not been restored) or the rating of any of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes or the Class B-1L Notes has been downgraded by at least two rating sub-categories by Moody's (and has not been restored to a rating no more than one rating sub-category below the original rating of such Class of Notes) (each applicable condition described in clauses (x) and (y), a "**Sale Restriction Condition**"), the Issuer is required to send a notice to the Trustee and the Holders of the Notes to the effect that for so long as the applicable Sale Restriction Condition exists, unless the Holders of at least 60% in Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes elect to retain the guidelines in effect on the Closing Date for sales of an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral or Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, as applicable, (i) no item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral may be sold unless (A) the rating of the obligor or of any debt or securities issued by the obligor under such an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral has been lowered, withdrawn or put on any "credit watch" list (or similar list) with negative implications by S&P, Moody's or Fitch, or (B) such an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral satisfies the Credit Risk Criteria and not



objected to by the Holders of more than 60% in Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes within forty-five (45) days of the date of such notice; *provided* that in making such determination to sell an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral may only be used as corroboration of other bases for such determination or (ii) no item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral may be sold unless such item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral satisfies the Credit Improved Criteria and not objected to by the Holders of more than 60% in Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes within forty-five (45) days of the date of such notice; *provided*, that in making such determination to sell such item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, a reduction in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral may only be utilized as corroboration or other bases for such judgment.

During the Due Periods relating to the Revolving Period, and under certain circumstances during the Amortization Period as described below, certain Collections identified above under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions" will be used to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral as described below subject to satisfaction or, in certain cases, maintenance of the Overcollateralization Tests and the collateral criteria described herein and satisfaction of the Interest Coverage Test (after the second Payment Date) for the most recent Payment Date as more specifically set forth in the Indenture.

During any period when certain Collections are to be used to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral, the Servicer generally will have the authority to commit to a purchase of such Additional Portfolio Collateral upon the receipt (actual or scheduled) in the Collection Account of Collections of an amount at least equal to the Periodic Reserve Amount with respect to the relevant Payment Date. For purposes of this calculation, Collections will be deemed to include, as of any date of determination, the sum of 100% of all cash collections actually received in respect of the Portfolio Collateral as of such date of determination and 100% of all distributions scheduled or otherwise reasonably expected to be received in respect of the Portfolio Collateral (other than any items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral or Equity Portfolio Collateral) during the period from such date of determination until the end of the applicable Due Period. In addition, the Indenture will permit the Servicer or the Issuer to direct the Trustee to deposit or retain in the Collection Account after the relevant Payment Date amounts that are to be used to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral as long as such amounts are held in Eligible Investments pending such use to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral and are used to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral meeting the specified requirements no later than the last day of the Due Period relating to the Payment Date next following such Payment Date.

In connection with a sale of an item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral after the Revolving Period or the receipt of Collateral Principal Collections due to an unscheduled prepayment after the Revolving Period, the Servicer may enter into commitments to apply such Collateral Disposition Proceeds or such unscheduled prepayments (net of accrued interest and costs) to the purchase of Portfolio Loans as either Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral having an Aggregate Principal Amount equal to or greater than the Principal Balance of the original item of Portfolio Collateral within 90 days of receipt of such proceeds, so long as the Servicer certifies as of the date of purchase that it reasonably believes at the time of such commitment that, after giving effect to such sale and subsequent purchase, (A) each of the Overcollateralization Tests and the other collateral criteria described herein would be satisfied and the Interest Coverage Test was satisfied for the most recent Payment Date, (B) such Portfolio Loan to be purchased has a Moody's Rating equal to or higher than the Moody's Rating of the original item of Portfolio Collateral, (C) such Portfolio Loan to be purchased has an S&P Rating equal to or higher than the S&P Rating of the original item of Portfolio Collateral, (D) such Portfolio Loan to be purchased has a stated maturity on or prior to the final maturity of such original item of Portfolio Collateral, (E) the Weighted Average Life of the Portfolio Collateral would not be increased and (F) neither Rating Agency has reduced or withdrawn (and not restored) the rating assigned by it on the Closing Date to any Class of Notes.

No purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral will be permitted during the continuance of an Event of Default.

No acquisition or disposition of any item of Portfolio Collateral or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) will be permitted for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. In addition, the Issuer may not dispose of any item of Portfolio Collateral unless such disposition is made on an "arm's-length basis" for fair market value (as determined at the time the Issuer first enters into a binding commitment to dispose of such item of Portfolio Collateral). Any disposition of Portfolio Collateral will be conducted in accordance with the requirements of the Servicing Agreement and, if effected with the Servicer, the

Co-Issuers, the Trustee or any of their affiliates, will be effected in a secondary market transaction on terms as favorable to the holders of the Notes as would be the case if such person were not so affiliated. In the event of an Optional Redemption, or Tax Event Redemption, the Servicer may direct the Trustee to sell certain Portfolio Collateral without regard to the foregoing limitations (except for the limitation that no Portfolio Collateral be disposed of for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes); provided that (i) the proceeds therefrom will be at least sufficient to pay certain expenses and other amounts and redeem in whole but not in part all Notes to be redeemed simultaneously; and (ii) such proceeds are used to make such a redemption. See "Description of the Notes-Optional Redemption," "Tax Event Redemption" and "Special Redemption."

The Servicer will select the Initial Portfolio Collateral and will be responsible for monitoring the items of Portfolio Collateral that at any time are included in the Trust Estate, selecting Additional Portfolio Collateral and Substitute Portfolio Collateral and effecting additions and substitutions. Any addition or substitution of an item of Portfolio Collateral by the Servicer shall be in accordance with the applicable requirements provided in the Servicing Agreement.

#### Accounts

All Collections will be remitted to the Collection Account and will be available, to the extent described herein, for application in the manner and for the purposes described herein. Funds held in the Collection Account that are not used to purchase or committed to use to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral will be held by the Trustee, as directed by the Servicer, as soon as practicable in Eligible Investments. All Eligible Investments in the Collection Account must mature on or before the Business Day prior to the next Payment Date. The Trustee may establish any number of sub-accounts to the Collection Account for its convenience in administering the accounts and the Trust Estate.

All cash pledged to the Trustee on the Closing Date which is to be used to purchase additional Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date will be deposited into the Initial Deposit Account. Funds held in the Initial Deposit Account pending use to purchase additional Original Portfolio Collateral will be held by the Trustee, as directed by the Servicer, in Eligible Investments. Eligible Investments in the Initial Deposit Account are to mature no later than the Business Day prior to the date on which such funds are to be invested in additional Original Portfolio Collateral; *provided* that, to the extent the Deposit in the Initial Deposit Account is not so used or committed to be used on or before the Effective Date such unused amount will be applied to effect an Initial Deposit Redemption of the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class X Notes, in the order described herein, or deposited in the Collection Account as described herein.

If, at any time on or after the Effective Date, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to the Original Portfolio Collateral on or prior to such time) exceeds the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount and there are funds remaining from the Deposit held in the Initial Deposit Account, the Servicer may direct the Trustee to transfer up to the lesser of U.S.\$1,000,000 and 25% of such funds to the Collection Account as additional Collateral Interest Collections; *provided* that the Overcollateralization Tests and the collateral criteria described herein are satisfied and the Interest Coverage Test for the most recent Payment Date was satisfied. The remainder of the Deposit shall be used to purchase Portfolio Collateral, as directed by the Servicer.

An Expense Reimbursement Account of U.S.\$50,000 will be established by the Issuer and pledged to the Trustee for the payment of Issuer administrative expenses which become due and must be paid between Payment Dates. Any amounts withdrawn from the Expense Reimbursement Account will be reimbursed on each Payment Date in accordance with the priority of the distribution provisions described herein. Funds held in the Expense Reimbursement Account will be held by the Trustee, as directed by the Servicer, in Eligible Investments. Eligible Investments in the Expense Reimbursement Account are to mature on or before the date on which such funds are expected to be used by the Issuer for the payment of expenses.

A Closing Expense Account will be established by the Trustee. From the Closing Date to the Payment Date occurring in November 2006 (or February 2007, to the extent unpaid expenses are identified to the Trustee), funds deposited in the Closing Expense Account will be used to pay the fees, commissions and expenses associated

with the issuance of the Notes. Funds held in the Closing Expense Account will be held by the Trustee, as directed by the Servicer, in Eligible Investments. On the Payment Date occurring in November 2006 (or February 2007, to the extent unpaid expenses are identified to the Trustee), any remaining funds in the Closing Expense Account (not being held for a pre-approved closing expense) will be transferred to the Collection Account and applied as Collateral Interest Collections.

A Reserve Account will be established by the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders and the other secured parties under the Indenture, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal at the direction of the Servicer. On the Closing Date, the Trustee, at the direction of the Issuer, shall deposit into the Reserve Account approximately \$1,600,000 from the net proceeds of the Offering. Amounts on deposit in the Reserve Account shall be held in Eligible Investments in accordance with the Indenture.

A Loan Funding Account will be established by the Issuer with the Trustee into which an amount equal to the Issuer's commitment to make or otherwise fund advances related to the Delayed Drawdown Loans and the Revolving Loans will be deposited. Such amount will be reduced upon a sale in whole or in part of such Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan as prescribed in the Indenture. Funds held in the Loan Funding Account will be held by the Trustee, as directed by the Servicer, in Eligible Investments. Eligible Investments in the Loan Funding Account are required to mature no later than one Business Day after the date such Eligible Investment is purchased.

A Default Swap Collateral Account will be established for each Default Swap. The Trustee will deposit into each such Default Swap Collateral Account on the Closing Date or on the date any such Default Swap is entered into, as applicable, the amount required to secure the obligations of the Issuer in accordance with the terms of the related Default Swap, which amount shall be at least equal to the amount referred to in paragraph (iv) of the definition of Default Swap Collateral.

Amounts on deposit in a Default Swap Collateral Account will be maintained in accordance with the terms and provisions of the related Default Swap. Amounts and property credited to a Default Swap Collateral Account shall be withdrawn by the Trustee and applied to the payment of any amounts payable by, or to the delivery of securities deliverable by, the Issuer to the related Default Swap Counterparty in accordance with the terms of such Default Swap. Income received on amounts on deposit in a Default Swap Collateral Account will be applied in accordance with the terms of the applicable Default Swap to the payment of any periodic amounts owed by the Issuer to the applicable Default Swap Counterparty on the date such amounts are due. After application of such amounts, any income then contained in such Default Swap Collateral Account will be withdrawn from such account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Collateral Interest Collections. After payment of all amounts owing by the Issuer to a Default Swap Counterparty in accordance with the terms of the related Default Swap (other than any Default Swap Counterparty Termination Payment) the Trustee shall be directed to withdraw all funds and other property credited to the Default Swap Collateral Account related to such Default Swap and credit such funds and other property to the Collection Account, as Collateral Principal Collections (in the case of cash and Eligible Investments) and the Collateral Account (in the case of Portfolio Collateral and other financial assets) for application as Collateral Principal Collections (other than any income thereon which will be Collateral Interest Collections) in accordance with the terms of the Indenture. Any Default Swap Counterparty Termination Payments owed by the Issuer to the Default Swap Counterparty shall be paid solely from amounts available therefor under the priority of payment provisions described herein.

Except for interest on securities credited to a Default Swap Collateral Account payable to the Issuer as described pursuant to the preceding paragraph, funds and other property standing to the credit of a Default Swap Collateral Account will not be considered to be an asset of the Issuer for purposes of the Interest Coverage Test or the Overcollateralization Tests; *provided, however that* the Default Swap that relates to such Default Swap Collateral Account will be considered an asset of the Issuer for such purposes.

If the terms of any Default Swap require the Default Swap Counterparty to secure its obligations with respect to such Default Swap, the Trustee will cause to be established a Default Swap Issuer Account in respect of such Default Swap. The Trustee shall credit to any such Default Swap Issuer Account all funds and other property received from the applicable Default Swap Counterparty to secure the obligations of such Default Swap Counterparty in accordance with the terms of such Default Swap.

Funds and other property standing to the credit of any Default Swap Issuer Account will not be considered to be an asset of the Issuer for purposes of the Interest Coverage Test or the Overcollateralization Tests; *provided, however that* the Default Swap that relates to such Default Swap Issuer Account will be considered an asset of the Issuer for such purposes.

In accordance with the terms of the applicable Default Swap, funds and other property standing to the credit of the related Default Swap Issuer Account will be withdrawn by the Trustee and applied to the payment of any amount owing by the related Default Swap Counterparty to the Issuer. After payment of all amounts owing by the Default Swap Counterparty to the Issuer in accordance with the terms of the related Default Swap, all funds and other property standing to the credit of the related Default Swap Issuer Account will be withdrawn from such Default Swap Issuer Account and paid or transferred to the related Default Swap Counterparty in accordance with the applicable Default Swap.

#### Note Valuation Report; Noteholder Reports

Promptly after receipt by the Trustee thereof, but in any event not later than the Business Day prior to each Payment Date, the Trustee shall deliver (or otherwise make available) to each Noteholder and each Rating Agency a Noteholder report setting forth certain information regarding payments due to the Noteholders on such Payment Date and the Pledged Securities. In addition, not later than the first day (or, if such day is not a Business Day, on the next succeeding Business Day) of each month (for months in which no Payment Date occurs) or the related Payment Date (for months in which a Payment Date occurs), commencing in July, 2006, the Issuer shall provide, or procure the provision, to each Rating Agency and the Trustee, who shall forward a copy (or otherwise make available) to each Noteholder, a monthly report containing additional information with respect to the Pledged Securities included in the Trust Estate. Except as provided herein, the Indenture provides that the information contained in these reports is confidential and may not be disclosed, except as provided therein.

Pursuant to the Indenture, the Issuer will consent to the posting of each such report, together with this Confidential Offering Circular, the Indenture and any amendments or modifications thereto, to the internet based password protected electronic repository of transaction documents relating to privately offered and sold collateralized debt obligation securities located at "www.cdolibrary.com".

### **MATURITY AND PREPAYMENT CONSIDERATIONS**

The Final Maturity Date of the Class X Notes is the Payment Date occurring in August 2013 and the Final Maturity Date of each other Class of Notes is the Payment Date occurring in August 2021, or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Final Maturity Date, and subject to prior redemption under the circumstances described herein. The average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years until the Final Maturity Date, and the average lives may vary due to various factors. The average life of each Class of Notes, refers to the weighted amount of time that will elapse from the date of delivery of such Notes until each dollar of the principal of such securities will be paid to the investor. Such average lives will be determined by the amount and frequency of principal payments which in turn are dependent upon, among other things, the amount of sinking fund payments and other payments received at or in advance of the scheduled maturity of Portfolio Collateral (whether through sale, maturity, redemption, prepayment, default or other liquidation or disposition). The actual average life and final maturity of each Class of Notes will be affected by the financial condition of the issuers of the underlying Portfolio Collateral and the characteristics of such collateral, including the existence and frequency of exercise of any optional or mandatory redemption features, the prevailing level of interest rates, the redemption price, the actual default rate and the actual level and timing of recoveries on any Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, the frequency of tender or exchange offers for such item of Portfolio Collateral, and the ability of the Issuer to reinvest proceeds in Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral satisfying the criteria set forth in the Indenture and the interest rates obtained in connection with the purchase of such Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral or in connection with the application of proceeds to purchase Eligible Investments. It is expected that a substantial amount (by Principal Balance) of the Portfolio Collateral will be subject to mandatory redemption or optional redemption or prepayment by the issuer thereof or obligor thereunder. Any acquisition of Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral or disposition of an item of Portfolio Collateral will likely change the composition and characteristics of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate and the rate of payment thereon, and, accordingly, may affect the actual average life of the Notes. See "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition

of Portfolio Collateral."

In addition, the Notes are subject to redemption at the times and under the circumstances described herein, including Initial Deposit Redemption, O/C Redemption (other than with respect to the Class X Notes), Optional Redemption, Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption, Tax Event Redemption and Special Redemption (other than with respect to the Class X Notes), as described herein. Any such redemption will affect the average lives of the Notes.

Under the assumptions identified below, the Class X Notes are expected to have an average life of approximately 4.35 years and an expected final payment occurring on the Payment Date in August 2013, the Class A-1LA Notes are expected to have an average life of approximately 6.80 years and an expected final payment occurring on the Payment Date in August 2014, the Class A-1LB Notes are expected to have an average life of approximately 8.23 years and an expected final payment occurring on the Payment Date in August 2014, the Class A-2L Notes are expected to have an average life of approximately 8.23 years and an expected final payment occurring on the Payment Date in August 2014, the Class A-3L Notes are expected to have an average life of approximately 8.23 years and an expected final payment occurring on the Payment Date in August 2014, the Class A-4L Notes are expected to have an average life of approximately 8.23 years and an expected final payment occurring on the Payment Date in August 2014, and the Class B-1L Notes are expected to have an average life of approximately 8.23 years and an expected final payment occurring on the Payment Date in August 2014. There can be no assurance that the average lives and expected final payment of any Class of Notes will be as set forth above. Prospective investors should make their own determinations of the payments expected to be made in respect of the Notes.

The hypothetical scenario used to determine the average lives of the Notes is as follows: (i) approximately U.S.\$850,000,000 in Aggregate Principal Amount of various assumed Portfolio Collateral would be purchased on the Closing Date using all funds available on the Closing Date for the purchase of Portfolio Collateral; (ii) 100% of the Portfolio Collateral (by Aggregate Principal Amount) will consist of Floating Rate Collateral which will have a weighted average margin (in order to adjust for not being fully invested in Portfolio Collateral until after the second Payment Date) of (a) 2.5457% from the Closing Date to the first Payment Date and (b) 2.5900% thereafter; (iii) all Floating Rate Collateral bear interest based on three-month LIBOR. Three-month LIBOR is approximately 5.2041% for the first period and 3 month forward LIBOR thereafter; (iv) the Portfolio Collateral has a scheduled maturity date of November 1, 2015, with respect to Portfolio Loans, and August 1, 2014, with respect to CLO Securities, with a weighted average maturity date of May 8, 2015; (v) no Initial Deposit Redemption, Special Redemption, Tax Event Redemption or Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption of the Notes is made; (vi) an Optional Redemption occurs on the Payment Date occurring in August 1, 2014; (vii) the Additional Portfolio Floating Collateral purchased from Collections as described herein will bear interest quarterly at the rate of 2.85% per annum above LIBOR for the first year, 2.95% per annum above LIBOR for the second year, 3.00% per annum above LIBOR for the third year, 3.00% per annum above LIBOR for the fourth year and 3.00% per annum above LIBOR thereafter; (viii) all Additional Portfolio Collateral in the portfolio become callable or prepayable on the payment date immediately following the purchase date and are callable at their respective call price; (ix) all Eligible Investments will bear interest at a rate of LIBOR *minus* 0.25% per annum; (x) the Additional Portfolio Collateral have an initial call price of par; and (xi) the Additional Portfolio Collateral have a 6 year maturity in the case of the Floating Rate Collateral. In addition, it is assumed that no calls or defaults with respect to such Additional Portfolio Collateral will occur on the Final Maturity Date.

Further, the hypothetical scenario assumes that there are no defaults during the period from the Closing Date to February 1, 2007 and there are defaults equal to 3.00% per annum thereafter until the Optional Redemption occurs on the Payment Date occurring in August 1, 2014. The principal recovery on any defaulted Portfolio Loan and any defaulted underlying loan in a CLO Security is assumed to be 75% and in each case such recovery is assumed to occur at the default date. It is also assumed that the Scheduled Distributions on Portfolio Collateral are timely received and that such distributions earn the indicated interest rates until the next payment date without compounding. It is assumed that Floating Rate Collateral has no prepayment for one period after the Closing Date; thereafter prepayments are calculated on a 20% per annum constant prepayment rate basis for Portfolio Loans. It is assumed that during any period when the Overcollateralization Tests or the Interest Coverage Test are not satisfied, principal payments (or, in the case of the Class B-1L Notes, payments of accrued and unpaid interest and then

principal) will be made in respect of the Notes to the extent necessary to satisfy the Overcollateralization Tests or the Interest Coverage Test, as applicable (to the extent funds are available therefor).

The Base Fee Amount and the Additional Fee Amount, are assumed to be approximately 0.55% *per annum* in aggregate, and the Trustee Administrative Expenses, Issuer Base Administrative Expenses and Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses will be 0.0275% (but no less than \$75,000 *per annum*) *plus* U.S.\$250,000 *per annum*, in the aggregate, each as a percentage of either the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral as of the first day of the Due Period relating to each Payment Date or the average of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral as of the first day of the Due Period relating to each Payment Date and the last day of the Due Period relating to such Payment Date, as appropriate for the related fee and subject to the availability of funds in the performance scenario. For purposes of calculating the Base Fee Amount and the Additional Fee Amount, the Quarterly Collateral Amount on the first calculation date is assumed to be U.S.\$850,000,000.

Cash received on or before a Calculation Date is assumed to be available on the following Payment Date. Cash collected after the Calculation Date but before the immediately following Payment Date is assumed to be used to purchase Eligible Investments until the second succeeding Payment Date. With respect to Floating Rate Collateral, the accrual date on Portfolio Collateral is assumed to be the full quarterly period before the Payment Date subsequent to the Closing Date.

The weighted average lives and expected final payment dates described above are included only for illustrative purposes. The usefulness of these scenarios is limited by, among other things, the predictive value of the underlying assumptions, the uncertain relevance of the assumptions as compared to other factors which have not been identified or taken into account, and assumptions incorporated with respect to the timing of cash flows, prepayments, defaults and recoveries on the Portfolio Collateral and available interest rates. The assumptions are inherently subject to significant economic uncertainties, all of which are impossible to predict and beyond the control of the Co-Issuers. **There can be no assurance that any particular performance scenario will be realized, and the performance of the Notes may be materially different from that shown. Such scenario is not a projection or forecast and was not prepared with a view to complying with published guidelines of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission or the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants regarding projections or forecasts. Under no circumstances should the inclusion of such information be regarded as a representation, warranty or prediction with respect to their accuracy or the accuracy or appropriateness of the underlying assumptions, or that the Notes will achieve or are likely to achieve any particular results. There can be no assurance that the actual performance of the Notes will not vary materially from the scenario and assumptions set forth herein or otherwise used by a prospective investor. Moreover, to the extent that the individual characteristics of the assumed Portfolio Collateral used for such purposes differ from the individual characteristics of the actual Portfolio Collateral purchased on the Closing Date and thereafter, the actual performance of the Notes may differ. Prospective investors should conduct such financial analysis as they deem prudent, which may include the preparation of their own performance scenarios under a range of economic and other assumptions chosen by such prospective investors or their advisers. Each prospective investor must make its own evaluation of the merits and risks of investment in the Notes. See "Special Considerations—Nature of Collateral Pledged to Secure the Notes; Ability to Obtain Additional Portfolio Collateral; Availability of Funds for Subordinate Payments," "Special Considerations—Sale of Portfolio Collateral by Servicer under Certain Circumstances" and "Special Considerations—Default Rates of Commercial Loans and CLO Securities."**

## LEGAL STRUCTURE

### The Indenture

The following summaries generally describe certain provisions of the Indenture. The summaries do not purport to be complete and are subject to, and qualified in their entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Indenture.

**Modification of Indenture.** Except as set forth below, with the consent of the Requisite Noteholders and the Servicer, the Trustee and the Co-Issuers may execute a supplemental indenture to add provisions to, or change in any manner or eliminate any provisions of, the Indenture or modify in any manner the rights of the Holders of such

Notes. However, without the consent of the Holders of each Outstanding Note affected thereby, and, to the extent provided in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Holders of the Preferred Shares materially adversely affected thereby, no supplemental indenture may (i) change the maturity of the principal of or interest on any Note or reduce the principal amount thereof or the rate of interest thereon or change the time or amount of any other amount payable in respect of any Note, (ii) reduce the percentage of Holders of Notes whose consent is required for the authorization of any supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of the Indenture, (iii) impair or adversely affect the Trust Estate securing the Notes, (iv) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on parity with the lien of the Indenture with respect to any part of the Trust Estate or terminate the lien of the Indenture, (v) reduce the percentage of Holders of Notes whose consent is required to direct the Trustee to liquidate the Trust Estate, (vi) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture with respect to supplemental indentures or waiver of Defaults and their consequences except to increase the percentage of Outstanding Notes whose consent is required for any such action or to provide that other provisions of the Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note affected thereby, (vii) modify the provisions thereof relating to priority of distributions or subordination or the definition therein of the terms "Holder," "Noteholder," "Majority Noteholder," "Majority Preferred Shareholder," "Outstanding," or "Requisite Noteholder," (viii) modify any provisions in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount or timing of any payment of interest or principal due on any Note on any Payment Date (including the calculation of any of the individual components of such calculation) or to affect the rights of the Holders of Notes to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of such Notes contained in the Indenture; (ix) modify any provision relating to the institution of proceedings for the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to be adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, (x) amend any provision that provides that the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer are non-recourse obligations or (xi) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of principal of or interest on or other amount in respect of any Note or to affect the right of the Holders of Notes to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of such Notes contained therein.

The Co-Issuers and the Trustee may also enter into supplemental indentures with the consent of the Servicer but without obtaining the consent of Noteholders, in order to (i) evidence the succession of any person to the Co-Issuers, (ii) evidence the addition of an additional issuer or of a wholly owned subsidiary of the Issuer that, in either case, will acquire securities from the Issuer and pledge its assets to secure the obligations of the Issuer secured by the Trust Estate, to the extent necessary to permit the Issuer to comply with the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder or any other statute, rule or regulation applicable to the Issuer, and the assumption by any such additional issuer or subsidiary of the covenants and obligations of the Issuer in the Indenture and, if applicable, in the Notes, (iii) add to the covenants of the Co-Issuers for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes or to surrender any right or power conferred upon the Co-Issuers, (iv) pledge any property to or with the Trustee, (v) evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment by a successor trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of the Indenture as shall be necessary to facilitate the administration of the Trust Estate by more than one Trustee, (vi) correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of the Indenture, or to better assure, convey and confirm unto the Trustee any property subject to the lien of the Indenture, (vii) take any action necessary or helpful to prevent the Issuer or the Trustee from becoming subject to any withholding or other taxes or assessments or to reduce the risk that the Issuer will be engaged in a United States trade or business or otherwise subject to United States income tax on a net income basis, (viii) correct any manifest error in the Indenture, (ix) facilitate the delivery and maintenance of the Notes in accordance with the requirements of DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream, (x) facilitate the listing of all or any of the Notes on one or more securities exchanges, (xi) modify the restrictions on and procedures for resale and other transfer of the Notes in accordance with any change in applicable law or regulation or enable the Co-Issuers to rely upon any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities Act or the Investment Company Act, (xii) cure any ambiguity, or correct, modify or supplement any provision which is defective or inconsistent with any other provision in the Indenture, (xiii) to effectuate a Noteholder's election to acquire bond insurance, a surety bond or similar credit enhancement as described in the Indenture, or (xiv) prevent the Issuer from becoming an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act or better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 thereunder; *provided* that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Initial Purchaser shall have (A) satisfied the Rating Condition with respect to such supplemental indenture and (B) received a customary, unqualified opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such supplemental indenture, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act; *provided* further that (A) any such amendment for any matters described in clauses (i) through (xiii) shall not materially adversely affect the interests of the Holders of the Notes and (B) no

amendment shall be made that would cause the Issuer to register as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act.

The Trustee will not be permitted to enter into any supplemental indenture if such amendment would materially adversely affect the interests of the Preferred Shareholders without the consent of the Holders representing at least 66-2/3% of the outstanding Preferred Shares.

Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the above provisions, the Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall deliver to the Holders of the Notes, the Servicer, the Preferred Share Paying and Transfer Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preferred Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) a copy of such supplemental indenture and shall request any required consent from the applicable Holders of Notes and Preferred Shares to be given within the Initial Consent Period. Any consent given to a proposed supplemental indenture by the Holder of any Notes or Preferred Shares shall be irrevocable and binding on all future Holders or beneficial owners of Notes or Preferred Shares, irrespective of the execution date of the supplemental indenture. If the Holders of less than the required percentage of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the relevant Notes or required percentage of the Preferred Shares consent to a proposed supplemental indenture within the Initial Consent Period, on the first Business Day after the Initial Consent Period, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Servicer which Holders of Notes and Preferred Shares have consented to the proposed supplemental indenture and, which Holders (and, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the Trustee, which beneficial owners) have not consented to the proposed supplemental indenture. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser intends to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall so notify the Trustee (which notice shall designate a date for the Amendment Buy-Out to occur no earlier than 10 Business Days after the date of such notice) no later than five (5) Business Days after so being notified by the Trustee and the Trustee shall deliver such notice to all Holders of Notes and the Preferred Share Paying and Transfer Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preferred Shares). Any Non-Consenting Holder may give consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture until the 5th Business Day prior to the date of the Amendment Buy-Out designated by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and in such case shall cease to be a Non-Consenting Holder for purposes of the Amendment Buy-Out. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser exercises its Amendment Buy-Out Option and purchases the applicable Notes or Preferred Shares, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, as Holder or beneficial owner of the applicable Notes or Preferred Shares, may consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture within five (5) Business Days of the Amendment Buy-Out.

The Indenture provides that no amendment to any provision of the Indenture or any other transaction document that materially adversely affects the obligations of any Synthetic Security Counterparty will be of any effect without the consent of such Synthetic Security Counterparty and the Issuer will not enter into any such amendment unless such Synthetic Security Counterparty has consented thereto (which consent will not be unreasonably withheld).

The Co-Issuers and the Trustee may also enter into supplemental indentures upon satisfying the Rating Condition and receiving consent from the Servicer, but without obtaining the consent of any other Person, including any Noteholder or any Holder of Preferred Shares, in order to add additional rows to the Collateral Quality Matrix; *provided that* any such supplemental indenture which expands the minimum or maximum ranges of the Collateral Quality Matrix from that set forth in the Indenture on the Closing Date, shall require the prior consent of the Requisite Noteholders.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Trustee will not be permitted to enter into any supplemental indenture if, as a result of such supplemental indenture, the rating of any Class of Outstanding Notes (if then rated) would be reduced or withdrawn without the unanimous consent of the Holders of that Class of Notes.

#### Amendment Buy-Out

In the case of any supplemental indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of the Notes or Preferred Shares, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Notes and Preferred Shares held by such Holder whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture (the "**Amendment Buy-Out Option**") for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; *provided*, however, that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser may not exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option during the Non-Call Period in connection with a proposed amendment to reduce the rate of interest



on any Security, as applicable, or to change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preferred Shares may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer; *provided*, further that notwithstanding the definition of Non-Consenting Holder, any Holder of Notes (other than the Class A-1LA Notes) or Preferred Shares who fails to respond to any such consent solicitation shall be deemed to have consented to any such supplemental indenture. Notwithstanding the foregoing, during the Non-Call Period, "Non-Consenting Holder" shall exclude any Holder of Class A-1LA Notes (unless such Holder has consented in writing to be designated as a Non-Consenting Holder) and the Amendment Buy-Out Option shall not be applicable to such Class A-1LA Notes. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all Notes and Preferred Shares of Non-Consenting Holders, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes or Preferred Shares the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an "**Amendment Buy-Out**"). By its acceptance of a Note or Preferred Share, each Holder of a Note and Preferred Share agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its applicable Note or Preferred Share to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser. For the avoidance of doubt, nothing described above or in the Indenture shall in any way limit or restrict the rights of Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes to consent or withhold their consent to a supplemental indenture or otherwise vote their interest both during and after the Non-Call Period.

All purchases made pursuant to the Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Notes and Preferred Shares set forth in "Delivery of the Notes; Transfer Restrictions; Settlement" herein and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

Acts of Noteholders. Under the Indenture, with respect to any Noteholder which has notified the Trustee in writing that pursuant to such Noteholder's organizational documents or other documents governing such Noteholder's actions, such Noteholder is not permitted to take any affirmative action approving, rejecting or otherwise acting upon any Issuer request including, but not limited to, a request for the consent of such Noteholder to a proposed amendment or waiver pursuant to this Indenture, the failure by such Noteholder to consent to or reject any such requested action will be deemed a consent by such Noteholder to the requested action.

Consolidation, Merger or Transfer of Assets, Incurrence of Indebtedness, Conduct of Business. The Co-Issuers may not consolidate with, merge into, or transfer or convey all or substantially all of their assets to, any other corporation, partnership, trust or other person or entity (except for sales or exchanges of Portfolio Collateral as contemplated by the Indenture). In addition, the Co-Issuers may not incur any indebtedness other than the Notes and trade debt incidental to the performance of their obligations under the Indenture or engage in any business or activity other than the issuance of the Notes, the Preferred Shares, the ordinary shares and the other transactions and activities, as applicable, contemplated herein. Pursuant to the Indenture and the Co-Issuers' organizational documentation, the Co-Issuers may also not, without the consent of the Requisite Noteholders, amend their organizational documentation if such amendment would have a material adverse effect on the right of the Noteholders.

Events of Default. An event of default ("**Event of Default**") is defined in the Indenture as being (i) a default for four Business Days or more (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, any Paying Agent or the Note Registrar, for a period of seven Business Days or more, *provided* that the Trustee has notified each Rating Agency of any such administrative error or omission) in the payment of any amount payable in respect of any Note when due when funds in such amount are available for payment in accordance with the Indenture, (ii) a failure after four Business Days (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, any Paying Agent or the Note Registrar, for a period of seven Business Days or more, *provided* that the Trustee has notified each Rating Agency of any such administrative error or omission), to apply available amounts in accordance with the priority of distribution set forth in the Indenture, (iii) a default for four Business Days or more (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, any Paying Agent or the Note Registrar, for a period of seven Business Days or more, *provided* that the Trustee has notified each Rating Agency of any such administrative error or omission) in the payment of (A) the Periodic Interest Amount due on any Senior Class A Notes on any Payment Date or a Class X Payment due on any Class X Notes, (B) after the Senior Class A Notes and Class X Notes are paid in full, the Periodic Interest Amount due on the Class A-3L Notes on any Payment Date, (C) after the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-3L Notes and the Class X Notes are paid in full, the Periodic Interest Amount due on the Class

A-4L Notes on any Payment Date and (D) after the Class A Notes and the Class X Notes are paid in full, the Periodic Interest Amount due on the Class B-1L Notes on any Payment Date; (iv) a default in the payment of the Aggregate Principal Amount and the Cumulative Interest Amount due on any Class of Notes on the Final Maturity Date, (v) a default in the performance, or a breach of any covenant, representation, warranty or other agreement of the Co-Issuers (or either one of them) other than compliance with the Overcollateralization Tests, the Interest Coverage Test or the collateral quality criteria described herein, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Co-Issuers (or either one of them) in the Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant to or in connection with the Indenture to be correct in all material respects when the same shall have been made, in any such case which materially and adversely affects the rights of any Class of Noteholders and continuance of such default, breach or failure for a period of 30 days after written notice to the Co-Issuers or the Servicer by the Trustee or to the Co-Issuers or the Servicer and the Trustee by the Holders of at least a majority in principal amount of the Notes, (vi) certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or reorganization of the Co-Issuers, (vii) either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of assets constituting the Trust Estate becomes required to register as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act of 1940, (viii) the failure to maintain on any Calculation Date a Senior Class A Overcollateralization Ratio of at least 100%. The failure to pay in full Periodic Interest on the Class A-3L Notes as a result of insufficient funds being available therefor will not constitute an Event of Default so long as the Senior Class A Notes or Class X Notes are Outstanding. The failure to pay in full Periodic Interest on the Class A-4L Notes as a result of insufficient funds being available therefore will not constitute an Event of Default so long as the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-3L Notes or the Class X Notes are Outstanding. The failure to pay in full Periodic Interest on the Class B-1L Notes as a result of insufficient funds being available therefor will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Class A Notes or Class X Notes are Outstanding. An event of insolvency could result if relief has been ordered against the Co-Issuers in a case under applicable bankruptcy law and the Co-Issuers, the trustee, if any, for either of the Co-Issuers or a creditor of either of the Co-Issuers were to file an involuntary petition against either of the Co-Issuers. The filing of a petition against the Co-Issuers under applicable bankruptcy law could adversely affect the rights of the Holders of Notes to receive timely payments.

If an Event of Default (other than an Event of Default specified in clause (vi) above) under the Indenture should occur and be continuing with respect to the Notes, the Trustee may with the consent of the Requisite Noteholders, and shall, at the written direction of the Requisite Noteholders, declare the principal of the Notes to be immediately due and payable. Such declaration may under certain circumstances be rescinded by the Trustee with the consent of the Requisite Noteholders or at the written direction of the Requisite Noteholders. If an Event of Default specified in clause (vi) above should occur and be continuing, the principal of the Notes shall become immediately due and payable without the necessity of notice or any other action. If the Notes are accelerated, or if the Final Maturity Date has occurred, the Holders of the Notes shall be entitled to receive the Cumulative Interest Amount and the Aggregate Principal Amount with respect thereto (as calculated and accrued through the date of payment in full of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Notes) in the order of priority set forth under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions—Final Maturity Date."

If an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing or if the Final Maturity Date has occurred, the Trustee shall refrain from liquidating and shall preserve the Trust Estate intact unless (i) the Requisite Noteholders have directed the Trustee to sell or liquidate the Trust Estate or any portion thereof in the case of (A) an Event of Default resulting from failure to pay interest or principal on a Note or (B) a sale or liquidation of all or a portion of the Trust Estate at or above the aggregate par value of all Collateral so liquidated or sold (and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral may be liquidated or sold without reference to, or inclusion in the calculation of, such limitation), or (ii) 100% of the Noteholders have otherwise directed the Trustee to sell or liquidate the Trust Estate or any portion thereof. In addition, under certain circumstances, if an Event of Default as described under clauses (iii) and (iv) of "Events of Default" shall have occurred and be continuing, the Servicer may be terminated as described under "The Servicing Agreement—Termination of Servicing Agreement."

Pursuant to the Indenture, as security for the payment by the Issuer of the compensation and expenses of the Trustee and the Paying and Transfer Agent and any sums to which the Trustee and the Paying and Transfer Agent may be entitled to receive as indemnification by the Issuer, the Issuer has granted the Trustee a senior lien on the Trust Estate, which is senior to the lien of the Notes on the Trust Estate. These liens are exercisable by the Trustee or the Paying and Transfer Agent only if the Notes have been declared due and payable following an Event of Default, and the acceleration of the maturity of such Notes as a result of such Event of Default has not been rescinded or annulled.

Subject to the provisions of the Indenture relating to the duties of the Trustee in case an Event of Default with respect to the Notes shall occur and be continuing, the Trustee will be under no obligation to exercise any of the rights or powers under the Indenture at the request or direction of any Holders of Notes, unless such Holders shall have offered to the Trustee security or indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it. Subject to such provisions for indemnification and certain limitations contained in the Indenture, the Requisite Noteholders will have the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding of any remedy available to the Trustee or exercising any trust or power conferred on the Trustee with respect to the Notes; and, in certain cases, waive any default with respect to such Notes, except a default in payment of any amount payable in respect of any Note or a default in respect of a covenant or provision of the Indenture that cannot be modified without the waiver or consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note affected thereby.

Rights Under the Indenture. No Holder of a Note will have the right to institute any proceeding with respect to the Indenture, unless (1) such Holder previously has given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default with respect to such Notes, (2) the Requisite Noteholders have made written request upon the Trustee to institute such proceedings in its own name as Trustee, (3) such Holder or Holders have offered the Trustee indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it as provided in the Indenture, (4) the Trustee has for 30 days failed to institute any such proceeding, and (5) no direction inconsistent with such written request has been given to the Trustee during such 30-day period by the Requisite Noteholders.

Satisfaction and Discharge of the Indenture. The Indenture will be discharged with respect to the collateral securing the Notes upon delivery to the Trustee for cancellation of all of the Notes, or, within certain limitations (including the obligation to pay principal and interest), upon deposit with the Trustee of cash or Eligible Investments sufficient for the amount thereof.

Trustee. JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association will be the Trustee under the Indenture for the Notes. The Issuer, the Servicer and their affiliates may maintain other banking relationships in the ordinary course of business with the Trustee. The Indenture provides that the Trustee may appoint one or more co-trustees in the event that Holders of the Notes have conflicting interests and in certain other circumstances. The Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee may receive compensation in connection with the purchase of certain Eligible Investments as provided in the Indenture.

The parent company of the Trustee, JPMorgan Chase & Co. ("**JPMorgan**"), has entered into an agreement with The Bank of New York Company, Inc. ("**BNY**") pursuant to which JPMorgan intends to exchange select portions of its corporate trust business, including municipal, corporate and structured finance trusteeships, for BNY's consumer, small-business and middle-market banking businesses. This transaction has been approved by both companies' boards of directors and is subject to regulatory approvals. It is expected to close in the late third quarter or fourth quarter of 2006.

The Indenture contains provisions for the indemnification of the Trustee for any loss, liability or expense incurred without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of its duties under the Indenture.

The Trustee may resign at any time by giving notice as set forth in the Indenture. The Trustee may be removed for any reason by the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Controlling Class, or by the Issuer if at any time the Trustee fails to meet certain eligibility criteria set forth in the Indenture or if the Trustee is adjudged to be bankrupt or insolvent or a receiver or liquidator or similar official of the Trustee or its property is appointed. No resignation or removal of the Trustee shall be effective until a successor trustee has been appointed pursuant to the terms of the Indenture.

Governing Law. The Indenture and the other documents relating to the Notes will be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

Notices. Notices to the Holders of the Notes will be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the registered Holders of the Notes at their address appearing in the Note Register. In addition, for so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of such exchange so require, notice given to the Holders of any such Class of Notes will also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

Voting Rights of Preferred Shares of HFP. The aggregate amount of the Preferred Shares owned or controlled by HFP and the Servicer Entities in excess of the Original HFP Share Amount will be excluded from voting on certain matters including any Optional Redemption.

### **DELIVERY OF THE NOTES; TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS; SETTLEMENT**

The Notes have not been registered under the Securities Act or any state securities laws and, accordingly, may not be reoffered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. Persons, except in accordance with the restrictions described under "Notices to Purchasers." Terms used in this paragraph have the meanings given to them by Regulation S.

Without limiting the foregoing, by holding a Note, each Holder will acknowledge and agree, among other things, that such Holder understands that neither of the Co-Issuers is registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act, but that the Co-Issuers are exempt from registration as such by virtue of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act, which in general excludes from the definition of an investment company any issuer whose outstanding securities are beneficially owned solely by Qualified Purchasers and which has not made and does not propose to make a public offering of its securities and Rule 3a-7. Any sale or transfer which would violate these provisions shall be void from the time of such sale or transfer, and no sale or transfer may be made if such sale or transfer would require the Co-Issuers to become subject to the requirements of the Investment Company Act.

Each transferee of a Note (except with respect to a transfer pursuant to Regulation S) will be deemed to represent at time of transfer that the transferee is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (i) that it is a Qualified Purchaser, (ii) that it is not formed for the purpose of investing in the Notes, unless all of its beneficial owners are Qualified Purchasers, (iii) that it is not a dealer described in paragraph (a)(1)(ii) of Rule 144A unless such transferee owns and invests on a discretionary basis at least U.S.\$25 million in securities of issuers that are not affiliated persons of such dealer, (iv) that it is not a plan referred to in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(D) or (E) of Rule 144A or a trust fund referred to in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(F) of Rule 144A that holds the assets of such plan, unless investment decisions are made solely by the fiduciary, trustee or sponsor of such plan, (v) that it and each account for which it is purchasing is purchasing Notes in at least the minimum denomination and (vi) that it will provide written notice of the foregoing and any other applicable transfer restrictions to any transferee.

The Indenture provides that if, notwithstanding the restrictions on transfer contained therein, the Issuer determines any beneficial owner or Holder of a Note (other than a Note transferred in reliance on Regulation S) is not a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser, the Issuer will require that such beneficial owner or Holder sell all of its right title and interest in such Note to a person who is so qualified, with such sale to be effected within 30 days after notice of such sale requirement is given. If such sale is not effected within such 30 days, upon written direction from the Issuer, the Trustee (or an investment banker selected by the Trustee and approved by the Issuer) will be authorized to conduct a commercially reasonable sale of such Note to a person who does so qualify and pending transfer, no further payments will be made in respect of such Note or any beneficial interest therein.

Except for interests in Notes represented by a Regulation S Global Note or a Rule 144A Global Note as described herein, the Notes will be represented by definitive registered Notes registered in the name of the purchaser thereof.

Unless determined otherwise by the Co-Issuers in accordance with applicable law, the Notes will bear the legend set forth below:

THIS NOTE HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), ANY STATE SECURITIES LAWS IN THE UNITED STATES OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY OTHER JURISDICTION AND MAY NOT BE REOFFERED, RESOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, UNITED STATES PERSONS, EXCEPT AS PERMITTED BY THIS LEGEND. THE HOLDER HEREOF, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF THIS NOTE, REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT REOFFER, RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER THIS NOTE EXCEPT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT AND OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS AND EXCEPT (A) IN

COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, WHOM THE SELLER HAS INFORMED, IN EACH CASE, THAT THE REOFFER, RESALE, PLEDGE OR OTHER TRANSFER IS BEING MADE IN RELIANCE ON RULE 144A, PROVIDED THAT SUCH PURCHASER DELIVERS ALL DOCUMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS AS THE CO-ISSUERS OR THE TRUSTEE MAY REASONABLY REQUIRE; (B) TO A NON U.S. PERSON OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 903 OR 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT; OR (C) TO THE CO-ISSUERS OR THEIR AFFILIATES, IN EACH CASE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANY APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAW OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER JURISDICTION. THE HOLDER HEREOF, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF THIS NOTE, REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT REOFFER, RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER THIS NOTE EXCEPT TO A NON-U.S. PERSON OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATION S OR TO A "QUALIFIED PURCHASER" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE "INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT"), IN A TRANSACTION THAT DOES NOT CAUSE THE CO-ISSUERS TO BE REQUIRED TO REGISTER UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT. FURTHER, THE CLASS X NOTES, THE CLASS A-1LA NOTES, THE CLASS A-1LB NOTES, THE CLASS A-2L NOTES, THE CLASS A-3L NOTES AND THE CLASS A-4L NOTES MAY NOT BE SOLD OR TRANSFERRED UNLESS SUCH SALE OR TRANSFER WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE. THE CLASS B-1L NOTES MAY NOT BE SOLD OR TRANSFERRED TO ANY PLAN SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, OR TO ANY PERSON ACTING ON BEHALF OF OR WITH "PLAN ASSETS" OF ANY SUCH PLAN, INCLUDING AN INSURANCE COMPANY GENERAL ACCOUNT, UNLESS THE PURCHASER OR TRANSFEREE IS ELIGIBLE FOR THE EXEMPTIVE RELIEF AVAILABLE UNDER PTCE 96-23, 95-60, 91-38, 90-1 OR 84-14.

EACH TRANSFEREE OF A NOTE (EXCEPT WITH RESPECT TO A TRANSFER PURSUANT TO REGULATION S) WILL BE DEEMED TO REPRESENT AT TIME OF TRANSFER THAT SUCH TRANSFEREE IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER OR A NON U.S. PERSON AND (I) THAT IT IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER, (II) THAT IT IS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE NOTES, UNLESS ALL OF ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS ARE QUALIFIED PURCHASERS, (III) THAT IT IS NOT A DEALER DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (a)(1)(ii) OF RULE 144A UNLESS SUCH TRANSFEREE OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS AT LEAST U.S.\$25 MILLION IN SECURITIES OF ISSUERS THAT ARE NOT AFFILIATED PERSONS OF SUCH DEALER, (IV) THAT IT IS NOT A PLAN REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH (a)(1)(i)(D) OR (E) OF RULE 144A OR A TRUST FUND REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH (a)(1)(i)(F) OF RULE 144A THAT HOLDS THE ASSETS OF SUCH PLAN, UNLESS INVESTMENT DECISIONS ARE MADE SOLELY BY THE FIDUCIARY, TRUSTEE OR SPONSOR OF SUCH PLAN, (V) THAT IT AND EACH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS PURCHASING IS PURCHASING NOTES IN AT LEAST THE MINIMUM DENOMINATION AND (VI) THAT IT WILL PROVIDE WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE FOREGOING AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS TO ANY TRANSFEREE.

THE INDENTURE PROVIDES THAT IF, NOTWITHSTANDING THE RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFER CONTAINED THEREIN, THE ISSUER DETERMINES ANY BENEFICIAL OWNER OR HOLDER OF A NOTE (OTHER THAN A NOTE TRANSFERRED IN RELIANCE ON REGULATION S) IS NOT A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER AND A QUALIFIED PURCHASER, THE ISSUER WILL REQUIRE THAT SUCH BENEFICIAL OWNER OR HOLDER SELL ALL OF ITS RIGHT TITLE AND INTEREST IN SUCH NOTE TO A PERSON WHO IS SO QUALIFIED, WITH SUCH SALE TO BE EFFECTED WITHIN 30

DAYS AFTER NOTICE OF SUCH SALE REQUIREMENT IS GIVEN. IF SUCH SALE IS NOT EFFECTED WITHIN SUCH 30 DAYS, UPON WRITTEN DIRECTION FROM THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE (OR AN INVESTMENT BANKER SELECTED BY THE TRUSTEE AND APPROVED BY THE ISSUER) WILL BE AUTHORIZED TO CONDUCT A COMMERCIALY REASONABLE SALE OF SUCH NOTE TO A PERSON WHO DOES SO QUALIFY AND PENDING TRANSFER, NO FURTHER PAYMENTS WILL BE MADE IN RESPECT OF SUCH NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN.

TRANSFERS OF THE NOTES MUST GENERALLY BE ACCOMPANIED BY APPROPRIATE TAX TRANSFER DOCUMENTATION AND ARE SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS AS PROVIDED IN THE INDENTURE.

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS PROVIDED PURSUANT TO UNITED STATES TREASURY REGULATION SECTION 1.1275-3(b). THIS NOTE HAS BEEN ISSUED WITH ORIGINAL ISSUE DISCOUNT FOR UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES. THE HOLDER OF THIS NOTE MAY OBTAIN THE INFORMATION DESCRIBED IN UNITED STATES TREASURY REGULATION SECTION 1.1275-3(b)(1)(i) FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR, AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS: P.O. BOX 1093 GT, GRAND CAYMAN, CAYMAN ISLANDS.

Subject to the restrictions on transfer set forth in the Indenture and the Notes and except with respect to transfer of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note or a Rule 144A Global Note (the procedure for which is set forth in the Indenture), the Holder of any Notes may transfer the same in whole or in part (in a principal amount equal to any authorized denomination) by surrendering such Notes at the corporate trust office of the Trustee or at the office of any transfer agent, together with an executed instrument of assignment and transfer substantially in the form attached to the Indenture. In exchange for any Notes properly presented for transfer with all necessary accompanying documentation, the Trustee will authenticate and deliver at the corporate trust office of the Trustee or the office of the transfer agent, as the case may be, to the transferee or send by first-class mail at the risk of the transferee to such address as the transferee may request, a Note or Notes, for a like aggregate principal amount and in such authorized denomination or denominations as may be requested. The presentation for transfer of any Notes will not be valid unless made at the office of the Trustee designated for such purpose or at the office of a transfer agent by the registered Holder in person, or by a duly authorized attorney-in-fact. The Holder of a Note will not be required to bear the costs and expenses of effecting any transfer or registration of transfer, except that the relevant Holder will be required to bear (i) the expenses of delivery by other than regular mail (if any) and (ii) if the Co-Issuers so require, the payment of a sum sufficient to cover any duty, stamp tax or governmental charge or insurance charges that may be imposed in relation thereto.

#### Settlement

All payments in respect of the Notes shall be made in United States dollars in same-day funds.

### **CERTAIN TAX CONSIDERATIONS**

#### Introduction

The following is a summary of certain of the United States federal income tax consequences of an investment in the Notes by purchasers that acquire their Notes in the initial offering. The discussion and the opinions referenced below are based upon laws, regulations, rulings, and decisions currently in effect, all of which are subject to change, possibly with retroactive effect. Prospective investors should note that no rulings have been or are expected to be sought from the Internal Revenue Service (the "IRS") with respect to any of the United States federal income tax consequences discussed below, and no assurance can be given that the IRS will not take contrary positions. Further, the following summary does not deal with all United States federal income tax consequences applicable to any given investor, nor does it address the United States federal income tax considerations applicable to all categories of investors, some of which may be subject to special rules, such as Non-U.S. Holders (defined below), banks, REITs, RICs, insurance companies, tax-exempt organizations, dealers in securities or currencies, electing large partnerships, natural persons, cash method taxpayers, S corporations, estates and trusts, investors that

hold their Notes as part of a hedge, straddle, or an integrated or conversion transaction, or investors whose "functional currency" is not the United States dollar. Furthermore, it does not address alternative minimum tax consequences, or the indirect effects on investors of equity interests in either a U.S. Holder (as defined below) or a Non-U.S. Holder. In addition, this summary is generally limited to investors that acquire their Notes on the Closing Date for the issue price applicable to such Notes and who will hold their Notes as "capital assets" within the meaning of Section 1221 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "**Code**"). Investors should consult their own tax advisors to determine the United States federal, state, local, and other tax consequences of the purchase, ownership, and disposition of the Notes.

As used herein, "**U.S. Holder**" means a beneficial owner of a Note that is an individual citizen or resident of the United States for United States federal income tax purposes, a corporation or other entity taxable as a corporation created or organized in or under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (including the District of Columbia), an estate the income of which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of its source, or a trust where a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and one or more United States persons (as defined in the Code) have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust (or a trust that has made a valid election under United States Treasury Regulations to be treated as a domestic trust). If a partnership holds Notes, the tax treatment of a partner will generally depend upon the status of the partner and upon the activities of the partnership. Partners of partnerships holding Notes should consult their own tax advisors. "**Non-U.S. Holder**" means any holder (or beneficial holder) of a Note that is not a U.S. Holder.

#### United States Federal Income Tax Consequences to the Issuer

Upon the issuance of the Notes, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, special United States tax counsel to the Issuer, will deliver an opinion generally to the effect that under current law, and assuming compliance with the Indenture (and certain other documents) and based on certain factual representations made by the Issuer and the Servicer, although the matter is not free from doubt, the Issuer will not be engaged in the conduct of a trade or business in the United States. Prospective investors should be aware that opinions of counsel are not binding on the IRS and the IRS might seek to treat the Issuer as engaged in a United States trade or business. In addition, the Issuer and Servicer are entitled to rely upon the advice and/or opinions of their selected counsel with respect to amendments, supplements and other modifications of the terms of the Portfolio Collateral and deviations from the investment guidelines set forth in the Servicing Agreement; the foregoing opinion assumes that any such advice and/or opinions will be correct and complete. It should be noted as well that the United States Treasury Department and the IRS recently announced that they are considering taxpayer requests for specific guidance on, among other things, whether a foreign person may be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States by virtue of entering into credit default swaps. No guidance has been issued to date. If any future guidance concludes that foreign persons entering into certain credit default swaps will be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States, such guidance would adversely impact the Issuer's ability to pay principal and interest on the Notes. Additionally, it should be noted that gain or loss on a disposition by a foreign person of a United States real property interest may be subject to United States federal income tax as if the foreign person were engaged in a United States trade or business (even if the foreign person is not actually so engaged). Because the determination of whether an asset constitutes a United States real property interest is made periodically, although the Issuer is prohibited from acquiring an asset that constitutes a United States real property interest, it is possible that an asset that was not a United States real property interest at the time such asset was acquired by the Issuer could become a United States real property interest after the asset is acquired. Similarly, if the Issuer accepted a new security in exchange for an existing security or if the terms of an existing security were modified, the new or modified security might cause the Issuer to become engaged in a United States trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes.

The Issuer intends to elect to be (and expects to be) treated as a partnership for United States federal income tax purposes. There can be no assurance, however, that the Issuer will not (at some point in time) become classified as a corporation for United States federal income tax purposes. If the Issuer were to be treated as a corporation and if the IRS were to successfully characterize the Issuer as engaged in a United States trade or business, among other consequences, the Issuer would be subject to net income taxation in the United States (as well as the branch profits tax) on its income that is effectively connected to the United States trade or business. The levying of such taxes would materially affect the Issuer's financial ability to pay principal and interest on the Notes.

The Issuer intends to acquire the Portfolio Collateral the interest on which and any gain from the sale or disposition with respect to which is not expected to be subject to United States federal withholding tax or withholding tax imposed by other countries (unless, in the case of interest, the obligor is required to "gross up" its payments to compensate for these taxes). The Issuer will not, however, make any independent investigation of the circumstances surrounding the issuance of the individual assets comprising the Portfolio Collateral and, thus, there can be no assurance that payments of interest on and gain from the sale or disposition of the Portfolio Collateral will in all cases be received free of withholding tax. It is not expected that the Issuer will derive material amounts of any other items of income that will be subject to United States withholding taxes. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any commitment fee, facility fee or other similar fee that the Issuer earns may be subject to a 30% United States federal withholding tax and any lending fees received under a securities lending agreement may also be subject to such tax.

If withholding or deduction of any taxes from payments on the Notes is required by law in any jurisdiction, the Issuer shall be under no obligation to make any additional payments to any holder in respect of such withholding or deduction.

#### Classification and Tax Treatment of the Notes

The Issuer has agreed and, by its acceptance of a Note, each holder will be deemed to have agreed, to treat each of the Notes as debt of the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes. Upon the issuance of the Notes, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP will deliver an opinion generally to the effect that, assuming compliance with the Indenture (and certain other documents) and based on certain factual representations made by the Issuer and the Servicer, the Notes should be characterized as debt of the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes. Prospective investors should be aware that opinions of counsel are not binding on the IRS, and there can be no assurance that the IRS will not seek to characterize any Class of Notes as other than indebtedness. However, except as provided under "Alternative Characterizations of the Notes," the balance of this discussion assumes that the Notes will be characterized as debt of the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes.

Each U.S. Holder will include interest on the Notes in income in accordance with its regular method of accounting for Federal income tax purposes unless the Notes are viewed as having been issued with original issue discount ("**OID**") in which case, generally, each U.S. Holder would be required to accrue interest on the Note on an accrual basis under a constant yield methodology, based on the original yield to maturity of the Note. Because interest on the Class A-3L Notes, Class A-4L Notes and Class B-1L Notes may be deferred without giving rise to an Event of Default, all interest (including interest on accrued but unpaid interest) will be treated as OID unless the likelihood of deferral is remote. The Issuer has not determined whether the likelihood of interest being deferred is remote for this purpose, and hence will treat the interest on the Class A-3L Notes, Class A-4L Notes and Class B-1L Notes as OID. Even if the likelihood of deferral is remote, if the Issuer does in fact defer interest on a Class of Notes, a U.S. Holder would thereafter be required to accrue interest (including deferred interest) with respect to such Notes as OID. Any accrued but unpaid OID included in income by a U.S. Holder would increase the U.S. Holder's basis in the Note and thereby reduce the amount of gain or increase the amount of loss recognized by the U.S. Holder on a subsequent sale or other disposition of the Note.

If any of the Notes are viewed as having been issued with OID, the OID may be accruable under the special rules set forth in Section 1272(a)(6) of the Code (which apply to debt instruments that may be accelerated by reason of the prepayment of other debt obligations securing such debt instruments). If Section 1272(a)(6) does not apply, the Notes might be treated as "contingent payment debt instruments" ("**CPDIs**") within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.1275-4. If any Class of Notes were considered CPDIs, among other consequences, gain on the sale of such Notes that might otherwise be capital gain would be ordinary income. Prospective investors should consult their own tax advisors regarding the potential application of Section 1272(a)(6) of the Code to the Notes and the rules governing CPDIs.

The United States federal income tax consequences of a Maturity Extension are unclear. If a Maturity Extension occurs with respect to the Notes (other than the Class X Notes), the Issuer intends to treat such Notes, solely for purposes of sections 1272 and 1273 of the Code, as having been retired and reissued for an amount equal to their adjusted issue price on the date of the new Extension Effective Date. Additionally, U.S. Holders may be deemed for United States federal income tax purpose to have exchanged their Notes in a taxable exchange for new



notes with an extended final maturity date (the "New Notes") if, at such time, the Extension Qualifying Purchaser is related to the Issuer within the meaning of Section 267(b) or 707(b)(1) of the Code. If such relationship existed, U.S. Holders that did not exercise their right to put their Notes to the Extension Qualifying Purchaser may be treated as having acquired such New Notes with market discount or premium (and there might be other possible tax consequences). In addition, if the Notes are treated as exchanged for New Notes, the characterization of the New Notes (as debt or equity) would depend on the facts and circumstances existing at the time of such deemed exchange. In the event of a Maturity Extension, all U.S. Holders are urged to consult their own tax advisors with respect to whether the Extension Qualifying Purchaser is related to the Issuer, and, if so, the United States federal income tax consequences of any deemed exchange.

The tax treatment of the Extension Bonus Payment is also unclear. The Issuer intends to take the position that the Extension Bonus Payment is an incidental payment within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.1275-2(h)(3), and that the amount of such payment should be includible in income as ordinary income in accordance with the U.S. Holder's normal method of tax accounting. The Issuer's determination with respect to this issue will not be binding on the IRS, but will be binding on any U.S. Holder that does not disclose an objection on its timely filed tax return for the taxable year that includes the acquisition date of such Note. U.S. Holders should consult with their own tax advisors concerning the proper taxation and characterization of such payments, and whether the right to such payments could cause the Notes to be subject to the OID rules or to be treated as CPDIs.

In general, a U.S. Holder of a Note will have a basis in such Note equal to the cost of such Note to such U.S. Holder, increased by any amount includible in income by such U.S. Holder as OID and reduced by any amortized premium, any principal payments and any payments of OID. Upon a sale, exchange or other disposition of a Note, a U.S. Holder will generally recognize gain or loss equal to the difference between the amount realized on the sale, exchange or other disposition (less any accrued and unpaid interest, which would be taxable as such) and the U.S. Holder's tax basis in such Note (as reduced by any accrued and unpaid interest). Such gain or loss generally will be long-term capital gain or loss if the U.S. Holder held the Note for more than one year at the time of disposition (other than accrued market discount if the U.S. Holder did not elect to include such discount in income on a current basis). In certain circumstances, U.S. Holders that are individuals may be entitled to preferential treatment for net long-term capital gains; however, the ability of U.S. Holders to offset capital losses against ordinary income is limited.

The Indenture provides that Holders of any Class of Notes may elect to acquire credit enhancement on terms and conditions acceptable to such Holders. Prior to acquiring such enhancement, U.S. Holders should consult with their own tax advisors concerning the treatment of the credit enhancement for United States federal income tax purposes (including the viability of integrating the Notes and the credit enhancement).

#### Alternative Characterizations of the Notes

Notwithstanding special United States tax counsel's opinion, U.S. Holders should recognize that there is some uncertainty regarding the appropriate classification of instruments such as the Notes. It is possible, for example, that the IRS may contend that the Class B-1L Notes and, possibly, any other Class of Notes should be treated as equity interests in the Issuer. In such a case, payments on the Notes would likely be viewed as guaranteed payments (rather than as interest) for United States federal income tax purposes. Additionally, U.S. Holders would be required to file information returns with the IRS with respect to their acquisition of the Notes and be subject to significant penalties for failure to do so. Moreover, if the Issuer were classified as a corporation rather than as a partnership for United States federal income tax purposes and the Notes were viewed as equity in this corporation, the Issuer would constitute a passive foreign investment company and, possibly, a controlled foreign corporation, which would produce adverse tax consequences for U.S. Holders. Accordingly, all U.S. Holders are urged to consult their own tax advisors as to the consequences that would result if the Notes were characterized as equity (and the additional consequences that would result if the Issuer were classified as a corporation) for United States federal income tax purposes.

Information Reporting Requirements

Information reporting to the IRS may be required with respect to payments on the Notes, and proceeds of the sale of the Notes to holders other than corporations and certain other exempt recipients. A “backup” withholding tax may also apply to those payments if a holder fails to provide certain identifying information (such as the holder’s taxpayer identification number or an attestation to the status of the holder as a Non-U.S. Holder). Backup withholding is not an additional tax and may be refunded (or credited against the holder’s U.S. federal income tax liability, if any) provided that certain required information is furnished to the IRS in a timely manner.

Prospective investors should consult with their own tax advisors regarding whether they are required to file an IRS Form 8886 in respect of this transaction (relating to certain “reportable transactions”). Thus, for example, if a U.S. Holder were to sell its Notes at a loss, it is possible that this loss could constitute a reportable transaction, and need to be reported on Form 8886. As another example, a transaction may be reportable if it is offered under conditions of confidentiality. In this regard, each holder and beneficial holder of the Notes (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) is hereby advised that it is permitted to disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions described herein (including the ownership and disposition of the Notes). Significant penalties apply for failure to file Form 8886 when required, and holders are therefore urged to consult their own tax advisors.

Non-U.S. Holders

Assuming that the Issuer is not engaged in a United States trade or business, a Non-U.S. Holder of a Note that has no connection with the United States and is not related, directly or indirectly, with the Issuer or the holders of the Issuer's equity, will not be subject to United States withholding tax on interest payments. Non-U.S. Holders may be required to make certain tax representations regarding the identity of the beneficial owner of the Notes in order to receive payments free of withholding.

Circular 230

Under 31 C.F.R. part 10, the regulations governing practice before the IRS (Circular 230), we and our tax advisors are (or may be) required to inform you that:

- Any advice contained herein, including any opinions of counsel referred to herein, is not intended or written to be used, and cannot be used by any taxpayer, for the purpose of avoiding penalties that may be imposed on the taxpayer;
- Any such advice is written to support the promotion or marketing of the Notes and the transactions described herein (or in such opinion or other advice); and
- Each taxpayer should seek advice based on the taxpayer's particular circumstances from an independent tax advisor.

**CAYMAN ISLANDS TAX CONSEQUENCES**

The following discussion of certain Cayman Islands income tax consequences of an investment in the Notes is based on the advice of Maples and Calder as to Cayman Islands law. The discussion is a general summary of present law, which is subject to prospective and retroactive change. It assumes that the Issuer will conduct its affairs in accordance with assumptions made by, and representations made to, counsel. It is not intended as tax advice, does not consider any investor's particular circumstances, and does not consider tax consequences other than those arising under Cayman Islands law.

Under existing Cayman Islands laws:

- (i) payments of principal and interest in respect of the Notes will not be subject to taxation in

the Cayman Islands and no withholding will be required on such payments to any Holder of a Note and gains derived from the sale of Notes will not be subject to Cayman Islands income or corporation tax. The Cayman Islands currently have no income, corporation or capital gains tax and no estate duty, inheritance tax or gift tax; and

(ii) the Holder of any Note (or the legal personal representative of such Holder) whose Note is brought into the Cayman Islands may in certain circumstances be liable to pay stamp duty imposed under the laws of the Cayman Islands in respect of such Note.

The Issuer has been incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands as an exempted company and, as such, has applied for and obtained an undertaking from the Governor In Cabinet of the Cayman Islands in the following form:

### **The Tax Concessions Law**

**(1999 Revision)**

#### **Undertaking as to Tax Concessions**

In accordance with Section 6 of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision) the Governor in Cabinet undertakes with Rockwall CDO Ltd. (the "**Company**"):

- (a) that no law which is hereafter enacted in the Islands imposing any tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations shall apply to the Company or its operations; and
- (b) in addition, that no tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations or which is in the nature of estate duty or inheritance tax shall be payable
  - (i) on or in respect of the shares, debentures or other obligations of the Company; or
  - (ii) by way of the withholding in whole or in part of any relevant payment as defined in Section 6(3) of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision).

These concessions shall be for a period of twenty years from the 21st day of June 2005.

### **CERTAIN ERISA CONSIDERATIONS**

The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("**ERISA**"), imposes requirements on employee benefit plans (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) subject to Title I of ERISA ("**ERISA Plans**") and on persons who are fiduciaries (as defined in Section 3(21) of ERISA) with respect to such ERISA Plans. Investments by ERISA Plans are subject to ERISA's general fiduciary requirements, including the requirement of investment prudence and diversification, requirements respecting delegation of investment authority and the requirement that an ERISA Plan's investments be made in accordance with the documents governing the ERISA Plan. Each ERISA Plan fiduciary should give appropriate consideration to the facts and circumstances that are relevant to an investment in the Notes, including the role that an investment in the Notes plays in the Plan's investment portfolio. Before deciding to invest "plan assets" of any ERISA Plan in the Notes, the investing ERISA Plan fiduciary should be satisfied that investment in the Notes is a prudent investment for the ERISA Plan, that the investments of the ERISA Plan, including the investment in the Notes, are diversified so as to minimize the risk of large losses and that an investment in the Notes complies with the ERISA Plan and related trust documents. Any person who decides to invest "plan assets" of an ERISA Plan in the Notes should consider, among other factors, the factors discussed above under "Special Considerations."

Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code prohibit ERISA Plans, as well as individual retirement accounts and Keogh plans, subject to either or both of such statutes (each, a "**Plan**") from engaging in certain transactions with persons that are "parties in interest" under ERISA or "disqualified persons" under Section 4975 of

the Code (collectively, "**Parties in Interest**") with respect to such Plans. A violation of these prohibited transaction rules may result in an excise tax or other penalties and liabilities under ERISA and/or Section 4975 of the Code for such persons.

Certain transactions involving the purchase, holding or transfer of the Notes might be deemed to constitute or result in prohibited transactions under ERISA and/or Section 4975 of the Code. For example, if the "plan assets" of an investing Plan were deemed to include assets of the Issuer and if any of the Portfolio Collateral constitutes an obligation of or is purchased from or sold to a Party in Interest with respect to such Plan, an indirect prohibited transaction in the nature of an extension of credit or a purchase or sale of assets between such Plan and such Party in Interest might be deemed to occur. In addition, if the assets of the Issuer were deemed to be "plan assets" of any Plan investors, Notes sold to a Party in Interest with respect to such Plan would constitute a prohibited extension of credit transaction, possibly subjecting such Noteholder to excise taxes under Section 4975 of the Code. Under regulations issued by the United States Department of Labor, set forth in 29 C.F.R. § 2510.3-101 (the "**Plan Asset Regulations**"), the assets of the Issuer would be treated as "plan assets" of a Plan for purposes of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code if the Plan acquires an equity interest in the Issuer and none of the exceptions contained in the Plan Asset Regulations applies. An equity interest is defined under the Plan Asset Regulations as any interest in an entity other than an instrument which is treated as indebtedness under applicable local law and which has no substantial equity features.

Although there is no authority directly on point, it is anticipated that the Notes should be treated as indebtedness under local law and should not be treated as having substantial equity features for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulations. However, without regard to whether (i) the Notes are treated as an equity interest for such purposes or (ii) the assets of the Issuer are deemed to be "plan assets" of an investing Plan, the acquisition or holding of Notes by or on behalf of, or with "plan assets" of, a Plan could be considered to give rise to a prohibited transaction if the Issuer, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, the Servicer, an issuer of an item of Portfolio Collateral, or any of their respective affiliates is or becomes a Party in Interest with respect to an investing Plan. Certain exemptions from the prohibited transaction rules could apply to the acquisition of a Note by or with "plan assets" of a Plan, depending on the type and circumstances of the Plan fiduciary making the decision to acquire a Note. Included among these exemptions are: Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption ("**PTCE**") 96-23, regarding transactions effected by certain "in-house asset managers"; PTCE 95-60, regarding investments by insurance company general accounts; PTCE 91-38, regarding investments by bank collective investment funds; PTCE 90-1, regarding investments by insurance company pooled separate accounts; and PTCE 84-14, regarding transactions effected by independent "qualified professional asset managers." However, even if the conditions specified in one or more of these exemptions are met, the scope of the relief provided by these exemptions might or might not cover all acts which might be construed as prohibited transactions and in particular would not apply to prohibited transactions arising from the operations of the Issuer.

In any event, a fiduciary or other person investing "plan assets" of any Plan should not purchase Notes if the Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, the Trustee, the Servicer or any of their respective affiliates (a) has investment discretion with respect to the investment of such assets; (b) has authority or responsibility to give or regularly gives investment advice with respect to such assets, for a fee, pursuant to an agreement or understanding that such advice will serve as a primary basis for investment decisions with respect to such assets and that such advice will be based on the particular investment needs of such Plan; or (c) unless PTCE 95-60, 91-38 or 90-1 is applicable, is an employer maintaining or contributing to such Plan. A party that is described in clause (a) or (b) of the preceding sentence is a fiduciary under ERISA with respect to the Plan and any such purchase might result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code.

As a general rule, certain employee benefit plans, including governmental plans (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA) and certain church plans (as defined in Section 3(33) of ERISA), are not subject to ERISA's requirements. Accordingly, assets of many such plans may be invested in the Notes without regard to ERISA prohibited transaction considerations described above, subject to the provisions of other applicable federal and state law. However, any such plan which is qualified and exempt from taxation under Sections 401(a) and 501(a) of the Code may nonetheless be subject to the prohibited transaction rules set forth in Section 503 of the Code and, under certain circumstances in the case of church plans, Section 4975 of the Code. Also, some governmental plans are subject to federal, state or local laws which are, to a material extent, similar to the provisions of Title I of ERISA or

Section 4975 of the Code (a "**Similar Law**"). Each governmental plan fiduciary should make its own determination as to the need for and the availability of any exemptive relief under a Similar Law.

*Each Holder of a Class X Note, a Class A-1LA Note, a Class A-1LB, a Class A-2L Note, a Class A-3L Note or a Class A-4L Note, by its acquisition thereof, shall be deemed to represent to the Issuer, the Servicer and the Trustee that either (i) no part of the funds being used to pay the purchase price for such Note constitutes "plan assets" of any Plan, or (ii) if the funds being used to pay the purchase price for such Note includes "plan assets" of any Plan, an exemption to the prohibited transaction rules applies.*

*Each Holder of a Class B-1L Note by its acquisition thereof, shall be deemed to represent to the Issuer, the Servicer and the Trustee that either (a) the purchaser or transferee is not a Plan and is not acquiring the Class B-1L Note with assets of a Plan or (b) it is an insurance company and such funds include only assets of its general account, and its acquisition and holding of such Note are eligible for exemptive relief available under Section I of PTCE 95-60, or the acquisition and holding of the Class B-1L Notes by the purchaser or transferee are eligible for the exemptive relief under PTCE 96-23, 91-38, 90-1 or 84-14.*

**Any person proposing to invest assets of any Plan, or any governmental plan subject to Similar Law, in the Notes should consult with its counsel to confirm that such investment will not constitute or result in any prohibited transaction that is not subject to an exemption and will satisfy the other requirements of ERISA, the Code and, in the case of such a governmental plan, Similar Law.**

#### **CERTAIN LEGAL INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS**

Institutions whose investment activities are subject to legal investment laws and regulations or to review by certain regulatory authorities may be subject to restrictions on investments in the Notes. Any such institution should consult its legal advisors in determining whether and to what extent there may be restrictions on its ability to invest in the Notes. Without limiting the foregoing, any financial institution that is subject to the jurisdiction of the Comptroller of Currency, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Office of Thrift Supervision, the National Credit Union Administration, any state insurance commission, or any other federal or state agencies with similar authority should review any applicable rules, guidelines and regulations prior to purchasing the Notes. Depository institutions should review and consider the applicability of the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council Supervisory Policy Statement on Securities Activities, which has been adopted by the respective federal regulators.

None of the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchaser make any representation as to the proper characterization of the Notes for legal investment or other purposes, or as to the ability of particular investors to purchase the Notes for legal investment or other purposes, or as to the ability of particular investors to purchase the Notes under applicable investment restrictions. The Co-Issuers understand that certain state insurance regulators, in response to a request for guidance, may be considering the characterization (as U.S. domestic or foreign (non-U.S.)) of certain collateralized debt obligation securities co-issued by a non-U.S. issuer and a U.S. co-issuer. There can be no assurance as to the nature of any guidance or other action that may result from such consideration. The uncertainties described above (and any unfavorable future determinations concerning legal investment or financial institution regulatory characteristics of the Notes) may affect the liquidity of the Notes. Accordingly, all institutions whose activities are subject to legal investment laws and regulations, regulatory capital requirements or review by regulatory authorities should consult their own legal advisors in determining whether and to what extent the Notes are subject to investment, capital or other restrictions.

#### **RATINGS**

It is a condition to the issuance of the Notes that the Class X Notes, Class A-1LA Notes and Class A-1LB Notes each be rated "AAA" by S&P and "Aaa" by Moody's, that the Class A-2L Notes be rated at least "AA" by S&P and at least "Aa2" by Moody's, that the Class A-3L Notes be rated at least "A" by S&P and at least "A2" by Moody's, that the Class A-4L Notes be rated at least "A-" by S&P and at least "A3" by Moody's and that the Class B-1L Notes be rated at least "BBB" by S&P and at least "Baa2" by Moody's. Each of the ratings of the Notes described herein assumes that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date. A security rating is not a

recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning rating organization.

**The ratings of the Notes by S&P address solely the likelihood of timely payment of the Periodic Interest Amount on and the ultimate payment of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Senior Class A Notes, the timely payment of the Class X Payment and the ultimate payment of the Cumulative Interest Amount and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes. The ratings of the Notes by Moody's address the ultimate cash receipt of all required payments as provided by the governing documents, and are based on the expected loss to the Noteholders of each Class relative to the promise of receiving the present value of such payments. A rating is not a recommendation to purchase, hold or sell securities, in as much as such rating does not comment as to market price or suitability for a particular investor and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning rating organization.**

In the event that any rating initially assigned to the Notes is subsequently lowered for any reason, no person or entity is obligated to provide any additional support or credit enhancement with respect to the Notes. The Issuer has not requested a rating on the Notes by any rating agencies other than S&P and Moody's, although data with respect to the Portfolio Collateral may have been provided to other rating agencies solely for informational purposes. There can be no assurance that, if a rating is assigned to the Notes by any other rating agency, such rating will be as high as that assigned by S&P and Moody's.

#### **USE OF PROCEEDS**

The net proceeds from the sale of the Notes as described herein, together with net proceeds from the sale of the Preferred Shares will be used by the Issuer to fund the purchase of a principal amount of the Initial Portfolio Collateral at least equal to the Initial Portfolio Collateral Amount, to fund the Deposit on the Closing Date of cash in the approximate amount such that the Aggregate Principal Amount of Original Portfolio Collateral originally purchased by the Issuer on or before the Effective Date will equal the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount and to fund the deposit in the Expense Reimbursement Account on the Closing Date of approximately U.S.\$50,000, which Expense Reimbursement Account will be available for payment from time to time of future expenses of the Issuer pending the receipt of collections in respect of the Portfolio Collateral as described herein, to pay organizational, legal and other fees and expenses, related to the transaction, and to fund the Reserve Amount. The net proceeds from the sale of the Notes and the Preferred Shares will be approximately U.S.\$856,312,500.

#### **PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION**

The Initial Purchaser has advised the Co-Issuers that it proposes to offer the Notes to prospective purchasers from time to time in individually negotiated transactions at varying prices to be determined in each case at the time of sale. The price(s) paid by the Initial Purchaser for the Notes may be less than those paid by other purchasers of the Notes. The Initial Purchaser may offer or sell Notes to purchasers at negotiated prices, which may vary among different purchasers of Notes of any Class. In addition to the structuring and placement fees paid to the Initial Purchaser, the Initial Purchaser may be deemed to receive compensation for the sale of the Notes to the extent that the price(s) paid by it for Notes is less than the price(s) at which they are resold. The Notes are offered when, as and if issued by the Co-Issuers, subject to prior sale or withdrawal, cancellation or modification of the offer without notice and subject to approval of certain legal matters by counsel and certain other conditions. It is expected that delivery of the Notes will be made on or about the Closing Date, against payment in immediately available funds.

The Notes have not been registered under the Securities Act and may not be offered or sold within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, United States persons except to (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers in reliance on Rule 144A under the Securities Act and (ii) other persons or entities pursuant to other valid exemptions from the registration requirements of the Securities Act.

Without limiting the foregoing, no transfer of Notes may be made except to a non-U.S. Person in an offshore transaction in compliance with Regulation S or to a Qualified Purchaser or if such transfer would not

require the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to become subject to the registration requirements of the Investment Company Act.

Each of the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchaser represents and agrees that it (i) has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated any invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of Section 21 of the Financial Services and Markets Act of 2000 ("FSMA")) received by it in connection with the issue or sale of any offered securities in circumstances in which Section 21(a) of the FSMA does not apply to the Issuer; and (ii) has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA with respect to anything done by it in relation to the offered securities, in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom.

No invitation may be made to the public in the Cayman Islands to subscribe for the Notes.

Purchasers of Notes sold outside the United States may be required to pay stamp taxes and other charges in accordance with the laws and practices of the country of purchase in addition to the price charged to investors for the Notes.

The Notes are new securities for which there currently is no market. Accordingly, no assurance can be given as to the development or liquidity of any market for the Notes.

### **THE SERVICER**

**The information appearing in this Section has been prepared by Highland Capital Management, L.P. and has not been independently verified by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Initial Purchaser. Accordingly, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Initial Purchaser do not assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or applicability of such information.**

#### General

Based in Dallas, Texas, Highland Capital is a registered investment adviser specializing in below investment grade credit and special situation investing. As of September 30, 2005, Highland Capital managed over \$18 billion in leveraged loans, high yield bonds, structured products and other assets for banks, insurance companies, pension plans, foundations, and high net worth individuals.

Highland Capital manages these assets through a variety of fund structures including separate accounts, CDOs, hedge funds and mutual funds. As of September 30, 2005, Highland Capital had under management approximately 1,000 below investment grade and credit sensitive credit positions, and Highland Capital's 56 person credit team followed approximately 1,200 below investment grade and credit sensitive credit positions across over 40 industries. Highland Capital or an affiliate or predecessor thereof has been an SEC-registered investment adviser since April 1993.

Highland Capital has invested over \$250 million of firm capital in its funds, and expects that HFP, one of its Affiliates, will on the Closing Date purchase 100% of the Class II Preferred Shares.

#### Philosophy and Process

Highland Capital has expertise in the fields of syndicated loans, high yield bonds, and distressed assets. Portfolio managers follow each credit and several times each year the entire professional staff reviews all positions during multi-day monitoring meetings. Highland Capital diversifies its portfolios with set limits on exposure to any one given industry or issuer.

Since 1990, Highland Capital has been using a committee to coordinate the selection, monitoring and servicing process. The committee, which consists of senior portfolio managers, Highland Capital's Chief Investment Officer and its Head of Structured Products, meets every morning to discuss the status of the credits. Collectively, the committee utilizes a selection process which is driven by credit research. Each portfolio manager/analyst makes



specific credit recommendations based upon industry coverage. The credit proposal is then brought to the committee for consideration. Based upon the consensus decision, the portfolio manager will direct Highland traders to execute the trade. Highland Capital has also provided its committee with a commitment to technology. The firm developed Wall Street Office® which is a proprietary software system that allows Highland Capital to model, portfolio manage, and trade syndicated loans. This software has been licensed to more than 70 financial institutions that invest in syndicated loans.

#### Professionals of the Servicer

Set forth below is information regarding certain persons who are currently employed by the Servicer. Such persons may not necessarily continue to be so employed during the entire term of the Servicing Agreement.

#### **Senior Management**

##### **James Dondero, CFA, CPA, CMA – *Managing Partner - President***

Mr. Dondero is a Founder and President of Highland Capital. Formerly, Mr. Dondero served as Chief Investment Officer of Protective Life's GIC subsidiary. His portfolio management experience includes mortgage-backed securities, investment grade corporates, leveraged bank loans, emerging markets, derivatives, preferred stocks and common stocks. From 1985 to 1989, he managed fixed income funds for American Express. Prior to American Express, he completed the financial training at Morgan Guaranty Trust Company. Mr. Dondero is a Beta Gamma Sigma graduate of the University of Virginia, 1984 with degrees in Accounting and Finance. Mr. Dondero is a Certified Public Accountant, Chartered Financial Analyst and a Certified Management Accountant.

##### **Mark Okada, CFA – *Managing Partner - Chief Investment Officer***

Mr. Okada is a Founder and Chief Investment Officer of Highland Capital. He is responsible for overseeing Highland Capital's investment activities for its various funds and has over 19 years of experience in the leveraged finance market. Formerly, Mr. Okada served as Manager of Fixed Income for Protective Life's GIC subsidiary from 1990 to 1993. He was primarily responsible for the bank loan portfolio and other risk assets. From 1986 to 1990, he served as Vice President for Hibernia National Bank, managing over \$1 billion of high yield bank loans. Mr. Okada is an honors graduate of the University of California Los Angeles with degrees in Economics and Psychology. He completed his credit training at Mitsui and is a Chartered Financial Analyst. Mr. Okada is also Chairman of the Board of Directors of Common Grace Ministries Inc.

##### **Todd Travers, CFA – *Head of Structured Products, Senior Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Travers is responsible for Highland Capital's CDO business and is the primary portfolio manager for Highland Capital's par debt funds. He is a member of the Credit Committee and heads a team that is responsible for structuring new transactions and implementing additional opportunities in Highland Capital's core businesses. Formerly, Mr. Travers served as Portfolio Manager/Portfolio Analyst from 1994 to 1998 for Highland Capital. In 1999, he was promoted to Senior Portfolio Manager and his duties were expanded beyond sector portfolio management to include the origination, structuring and issuance of new structured vehicles, including all structured vehicles since Highland Loan Funding V Ltd. and Restoration Funding Ltd. His prior responsibilities included managing a portion of Highland Capital's leveraged loan and high yield debt portfolios with an emphasis on technology and aviation transactions. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Travers was a Finance Manager at American Airlines. Mr. Travers is a graduate of Iowa State University with a BS in Industrial Engineering. He received his MBA with an emphasis in Finance from Southern Methodist University. Mr. Travers is a Chartered Financial Analyst.



**Portfolio Managers****Peter A. Strzalkowski, CFA – *Portfolio Manager***

Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Strzalkowski served as a Senior Portfolio Manager with Microsoft Corp. from June, 2003 to June, 2005. His primary responsibility was the management of various multi-billion fixed income portfolios that were comprised of; MBS, ABS, Credit, Governments, TIPS, Derivatives, including Swaps, Swaptions and Futures, and Global Fixed Income. In addition he managed an absolute return mandate with a \$5 million daily VAR. Prior to Microsoft, Mr. Strzalkowski worked as a Vice President/Portfolio Manager at First Citizens Bank in Raleigh, NC where he managed \$1.2 billion from 2000 to 2003. Before that, he was employed at Centura Banks in a Portfolio Manager role from 1998 to 2000. Formerly, Mr. Strzalkowski was a Vice President/Junior Portfolio Manager/Quantitative Analyst at Bank of America's Sovran Capital Management from 1993 to 1998. Mr. Strzalkowski received a BS in Business/Finance from Virginia Commonwealth University and he is a Chartered Financial Analyst charter holder.

**Senior Portfolio Analysts****Gibran Mahmud, CPA – *Senior Portfolio Analyst***

Mr. Mahmud is involved in managing Highland's CDO funds and is part of the team that is responsible for structuring new transactions and implementing additional opportunities in Highland's core business. Formerly, Mr. Mahmud served as Controller at Highland from 2001 to 2003. Prior to joining Highland Capital, he served as a Senior Analyst at Fleet Capital where he was involved in the originating, structuring, modeling, and credit analysis for clients primarily in the manufacturing, retail, and services industries. Formerly, Mr. Mahmud was a senior accountant at Arthur Andersen. He received both a Bachelors in Accounting and an MBA with an emphasis in Finance from Baylor University. Mr. Mahmud is a Certified Public Accountant.

**Sundeep Agrawal – *Senior Portfolio Analyst***

Prior to joining Highland, Mr. Agrawal worked as a Senior Investment Analyst at General Motors Asset Management in New York from 2003 to 2005. At GMAM Mr. Agrawal was responsible for the credit analysis and risk management of CDO and ABS securities for a \$400 million Total Return Structured Credit Opportunity Fund and a \$100 million CDO Equity Fund. In addition he was also involved in the analysis, portfolio construction and risk management of various Libor Plus strategies focusing on the HEL ABS and RMBS sectors. Prior to GMAM, Mr. Agrawal was an Assistant Vice President at Lehman Brothers in the Fixed Income Division in New York from 1998-2002. At Lehman Brothers he focused on the quantitative modeling and risk management of foreign exchange derivative products. He received an MBA in Finance from New York University's Leonard N. Stern School of Business, an M.S. in Systems Engineering from The University of Texas at Austin and a B.E. in Electrical Engineering from Delhi Institute of Technology, India.

**Brad Voss, CFA – *Senior Portfolio Analyst***

Mr. Voss joined Highland in August 2005 and is involved in the analysis, selection, and monitoring of asset-backed securities for Highland-managed CDOs. Formerly he served as a Vice President for Bear Stearns, where he worked with institutional investors to incorporate Bear Stearns research into their investment processes. Prior to joining Bear Stearns he held a similar position at Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette. While a graduate student he completed an internship with State Street Research & Management in Boston and served as a portfolio manager and risk manager for a \$13 million student-managed investment company. Mr. Voss holds an MBA from the University of Texas at Austin, a BBA from Texas Christian University, and has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

See "Special Considerations—Dependence on Key Personnel of the Servicer."

## **THE SERVICING AGREEMENT**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Servicing Agreement. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the Servicing Agreement.

The Servicer will select the Initial Portfolio Collateral and will select all remaining Portfolio Collateral. The Servicer will also monitor the performance and credit quality of all of the Portfolio Collateral on an ongoing basis as further provided in the Servicing Agreement. Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture, the Servicer will direct the Issuer with respect to the use of collections on Portfolio Collateral to purchase Substitute Portfolio Collateral or Additional Portfolio Collateral, direct the Trustee when to deliver an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, Equity Portfolio Collateral or other item of Portfolio Collateral for sale and direct the use of proceeds therefrom to purchase Substitute or Additional Portfolio Collateral and Eligible Investments. The Servicer will advise the Issuer with respect to the use of certain Collections as described herein to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral meeting the specifications set forth herein. If any Portfolio Collateral is an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, the Servicer will instruct the Trustee as to the appropriate action to be taken against the issuer of such item of Portfolio Collateral and whether to retain or dispose of such item of Portfolio Collateral. See "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral."

Upon any disposition of Portfolio Collateral, the Trustee, upon direction of the Servicer, will either deposit the proceeds of such disposition in the Collection Account or apply the proceeds of such disposition to the purchase of an item of Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral, all in accordance with the terms of the Indenture. Any such actions directed by the Servicer may change the composition and characteristics of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate, the rate of payment thereon, and, accordingly, may affect the actual average life of the Notes.

The Indenture places significant restrictions on the ability of the Issuer to buy and sell securities for the Trust Estate, and the Servicer is subject to compliance with such document. Accordingly, during certain periods or in certain specified circumstances, the Issuer may be unable to buy or sell securities or to take other actions which the Servicer might consider in the interests of the Issuer and its creditors and the Holders of Preferred Shares.

In its capacity as servicer or manager, the Servicer engages in other business and furnishes asset management and other services to other clients which may differ from those followed by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, as required by the Indenture. The Servicer may make recommendations or effect transactions which may differ from those effected with respect to the securities in the Trust Estate.

The Servicing Agreement provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Servicer such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Servicer, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the Investment Advisers Act of 1940. The Servicing Agreement also provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as investment adviser, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as investment adviser unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Servicer, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Investment Advisers Act of 1940.

### Compensation

As compensation for its services under the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will be entitled to receive a Base Servicing Fee, an Additional Servicing Fee and a Supplemental Servicing Fee (if any).

The Base Servicing Fee is a fee that will accrue from the Closing Date and be payable to the Servicer, if and to the extent funds are available for such purpose as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", in arrears on each Payment Date. The Base Servicing Fee will be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year and the actual number of days elapsed. The Base Servicing Fee payable on any Payment Date will be payable from Collateral Interest Collections remaining after payment of certain fees and expenses of the Issuer but prior to payment of interest on the Notes. The Base Servicing Fee will accrue interest if unpaid. To the extent Collateral Interest Collections are insufficient to pay any accrued and unpaid Base Servicing Fee payable on any Payment Date, the Base Servicing Fee will be payable from Collateral Principal Collections available for such purpose as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions."

The Additional Servicing Fee is a fee that will accrue from the Closing Date and be payable to the Servicer, if and to the extent funds are available for such purpose as described under "Description of the Note—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", in arrears on each Payment Date (to the extent provided in the Servicing Agreement). The Additional Servicing Fee will be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year and the actual number of days elapsed. The Additional Servicing Fee payable on any Payment Date will be payable from Collateral Interest Collections remaining after payment of certain fees and expenses of the Issuer, the Base Servicing Fee, interest (and, if any of the Overcollateralization Tests or the Interest Coverage Test are not satisfied on the related Payment Date (other than the Interest Coverage Test on the first or second Payment Date) or if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists, principal) on the Notes and certain other amounts. The Additional Servicing Fee will accrue interest if unpaid.

The Supplemental Servicing Amount means an amount that will be payable to the Servicer in accordance with the Indenture on each Payment Date, if and to the extent funds are available for such purpose as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions." Excess cashflow remaining after the payment or deposit of the amounts described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions" will be paid: (a) if the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares as of such Payment Date is less than 12%, to the Issuer to be applied to fund distributions to the Holders of the Preferred Shares, but only up to an amount that would cause the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares to equal 12%, and (b) if the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares as of such Payment Date is equal to or greater than 12%, after giving effect to any payments made under clause (a) above, (x) 20% of any remaining amount to (1) the Servicer in payment of the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date, and (2) the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, in payment of the Class II Preferred Share Supplemental Dividend then due and unpaid, and (y) 80% to the Holders of the Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, a dividend thereon or the redemption thereof, as applicable

If amounts distributable on any Payment Date as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions" are insufficient to pay the Base Servicing Fee or the Additional Servicing Fee, then the payment thereof will be deferred and will be payable with interest on subsequent Payment Dates as described herein.

The Servicer will have a senior lien on the Trust Estate with respect to its Base Servicing Fee and a junior lien on the Trust Estate with respect to its Additional Servicing Fee. The Servicer will receive reimbursement for certain expenses from the proceeds of the issuance of the Notes and the Preferred Shares. The Servicer will generally be responsible for its own expenses incurred in the course of performing its obligations under the Servicing Agreement, but may be reimbursed for certain expenses as provided in the Servicing Agreement. Generally, the Servicer will not be liable to the Issuer, the Trustee, the Holders of Notes or Preferred Shares for any loss incurred as a result of the actions taken or recommended by the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement or the Indenture, except by reason of acts constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, or gross negligence in the performance of its obligations thereunder. The Servicer will be entitled to indemnification by the Issuer under certain circumstances as described in the Servicing Agreement. In addition, the Servicer has entered into certain indemnification agreements with Bear Stearns. Under certain circumstances the Servicer also may resign or be removed.

Amendment to Servicing Agreement

The Servicing Agreement may not be amended (a) without satisfying the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency or (b) if a Majority of the Controlling Class or a Majority of the Preferred Shares have objected in writing to such amendment or modification within 30 days of notice thereof.

Resignation of Servicer

Subject to the provisions for a successor Servicer discussed below, the Servicer may resign, upon 90 days' written notice to the Issuer (or such shorter notice as is acceptable to the Issuer).

Termination of Servicing Agreement

The Servicing Agreement will be terminated, and the Servicer will be removed, by the Issuer, if directed by a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or by at least 66 2/3% of the Holders of the Preferred Shares (excluding any Preferred Shares held by the Servicer or its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority at the time of such vote), in each case for "cause" upon 10 days' prior written notice to the Servicer and upon written notice to the Noteholders and the Holders of the Preferred Shares as set forth below. For purposes of determining "cause" with respect to any such termination of the Servicing Agreement, such term shall mean any one of the following events:

(i) the Servicer willfully breaches in any respect, or takes any action that it knows violates in any respect, any provision of the Servicing Agreement or any terms of the Indenture applicable to it;

(ii) the Servicer breaches in any material respect any provision of the Servicing Agreement or any terms of the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement applicable to it, or any representation, warranty, certification or statement given in writing by the Servicer shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or given, and the Servicer fails to cure such breach or take such action so that the facts (after giving effect to such action) conform in all material respects to such representation, warranty, certification or statement, in each case within 30 days of becoming aware of, or receiving notice from, the Trustee of, such breach or materially incorrect representation, warranty certification or statement;

(iii) certain events of bankruptcy or insolvency occur with respect to the Servicer;

(iv) the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture that results from any breach by the Servicer of its duties under the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement, which breach or default is not cured within any applicable cure period; or

(v) (x) the occurrence of an act by the Servicer related to its activities in any securities, servicing, financial advisory or other investment business that constitutes fraud, (y) the Servicer being indicted, or any of its principals being convicted, of a felony criminal offense related to its activities in any securities, servicing, financial advisory or other investment business or (z) the Servicer being indicted for, adjudged liable in a civil suit for, or convicted of a violation of the Securities Act or any other United States Federal securities law or any rules or regulations thereunder.

Successor Servicer

No removal, termination or resignation of the Servicer will be effective under the Servicing Agreement unless the Issuer appoints a successor Servicer:

I. if the Class A-1LA Notes are Outstanding and (i) the sum of (A) the Aggregate Par Amount of Portfolio Collateral other than any Equity Portfolio Collateral and (B) the Market Value of all Equity Portfolio Collateral (as determined by the Servicer in a commercially reasonable manner), if any, is less than (ii) the sum of (A) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Outstanding Notes other than the Class B-1L Notes plus any accrued and unpaid

interest thereon and (B) 50% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes plus any accrued and unpaid interest thereon (a "**Preferred Share Event**"), then:

(a) (A) at the written direction of a Majority of the Notes (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP), (B) such successor has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes; or

(b) if a Majority of the Notes (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP) has nominated two or more successor Servicers that have been objected to pursuant to clause (a) above or has otherwise failed to appoint a successor Servicer that is not objected to pursuant to clause (C) under clause (a) above within 30 days of the date of notice of such removal, termination or resignation of the Servicer (or, if later, within 30 days of the last failure to successfully appoint a successor Servicer), then (A) at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, (B) such successor has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single Class (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority, other than HFP));

II. if there is no Preferred Share Event in effect, then:

(a) (A) at the written direction of a Majority of the Preferred Shares (excluding any Preferred Shares held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP up to the Original HFP Share Amount), (B) such successor has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by any of (x) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single Class (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority, other than HFP)); or

(b) if a Majority of the Preferred Shares (excluding any Preferred Shares held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP) has nominated two or more successor Servicers that have been objected to pursuant to clause (a) above or has otherwise failed to appoint a successor Servicer that is not objected to pursuant to clause (C) of the preceding sentence within 30 days of the date of notice of such removal, termination or resignation of the Servicer (or, if later, within 30 days of the last failure to successfully appoint a successor Servicer), then a Majority of the Controlling Class may appoint a successor Servicer, which shall be the successor Servicer if, (A) such successor has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture and (B) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 45 days after notice of such succession by either (x) the Majority of the Preferred Shares (excluding any Preferred Shares held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP or any subsidiary of HFP) or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single Class (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority, other than HFP up to the Original HFP Share Amount)).

If the Majority of the Controlling Class fails to appoint a successor Servicer pursuant to clause I(b) or clause II(b) above, or its appointee is objected to as therein provided, within 90 days of the date of notice of such removal, termination or resignation of the Servicer, the Majority of the Controlling Class may petition a court of competent authority to appoint a successor Servicer.

In addition, any successor Servicer must be an established institution which (i) has demonstrated an ability to professionally and competently perform duties similar to those imposed upon the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, (ii) is legally qualified and has the capacity to act as Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, as successor to the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement in the assumption of all of the responsibilities, duties and obligations of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and under the applicable terms of the Indenture, (iii) shall not cause the Issuer or the pool of Collateral to become required to register under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, (iv) shall perform its duties as Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture without causing the Issuer or any Holder of Preferred Shares to become subject to tax in any jurisdiction where such successor Servicer is established as doing business and (v) each Rating Agency has confirmed that the appointment of such successor Servicer shall not cause its then-current rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn. No compensation payable to a successor from payments on the Collateral shall be greater than that paid to the Servicer without the prior written consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes, a Majority of the Notes (voting collectively) and a Majority of the Preferred Shares (voting collectively).

If there is no appointment of a successor Servicer within 90 days after the resignation or termination of the Servicer, any sales or disposition of Portfolio Collateral shall be limited to Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and Equity Portfolio Collateral; *provided that* such restriction on the sale or disposition of Portfolio Collateral shall not apply if the Portfolio Collateral is being liquidated in whole or in part in connection with an acceleration or early termination of the Notes.

#### Delegation

The Servicing Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, cannot be delegated by the Servicer, in whole or in part, except to any entity that is both (i) controlled by any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers and (ii) one in which any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers is involved in the day to day management and operations (and in such case pursuant to an instrument of delegation in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer), without the prior written consent of the Issuer, a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes and a Majority of the Preferred Shares (excluding Preferred Shares held by the Servicer or any of its Affiliates), and, notwithstanding any such consent, no delegation of obligations or duties by the Servicer (including, without limitation, to an entity described above) shall relieve the Servicer from any liability under the Servicing Agreement.

### **CERTAIN LEGAL MATTERS**

The validity of the Notes and certain other legal matters, including certain matters relating to certain United States federal tax consequences of the ownership of the Notes, will be passed upon for the Issuer and the Initial Purchaser by Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, New York, New York. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Servicer by Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, Los Angeles, California. Certain legal matters relating to Cayman Islands law will be passed on for the Issuer by Maples and Calder. As to all matters of Cayman Islands law, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP will rely on the opinions of Maples and Calder.

ANNEX A

**GLOSSARY OF CERTAIN DEFINED TERMS**

Set forth below are definitions of certain defined terms used in this Confidential Offering Circular.

**"Account Income"**: Any interest or other earnings on funds in the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account or the Expense Reimbursement Account.

**"Accounts"**: The Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Expense Account, the Reserve Account, the Default Swap Collateral Account and the Default Swap Issuer Account, as described in "Security for the Notes—Accounts."

**"Accrued Interest on Sale"**: Interest accrued on an item of Portfolio Collateral at the time of sale or other disposition to the extent paid to the Issuer as part of the sale or other disposition price of such item of Portfolio Collateral after deducting amounts representing Purchased Accrued Interest of such item of Portfolio Collateral.

**"Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement"**: As described under "Description of the Notes—Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement."

**"Additional Fee Amount"**: With respect to each Due Period, an amount equal to 0.35% per annum of the Quarterly Collateral Amount, calculated on the basis of a 360-day year and the actual number of days elapsed.

**"Additional Issuance"**: As defined under "Description of the Notes—Additional Issuance."

**"Additional Portfolio Collateral"**: Any Portfolio Collateral purchased with Collections (other than Collateral Disposition Proceeds) in accordance with the terms of the Indenture.

**"Additional Preferred Shares"**: Any additional Preferred Shares issued after the Closing Date as described in, and in accordance with the applicable terms of, the Indenture.

**"Additional Servicing Fee"**: For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the sum of (a) product of (i) the Additional Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (ii) the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date plus (b) on any Payment Date that any part of the Base Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, interest on such unpaid amount in an amount equal to the product of (i) LIBOR for the applicable period plus 3.0% per annum and (ii) the actual number of days in such Due Period, divided by 360 plus (c) on any Payment Date that any part of the Additional Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, such unpaid Additional Servicing Fee and interest thereon in an amount equal to the product of (i) LIBOR for the applicable period plus 3.0% per annum and (ii) the actual number of days in such Due Period divided by 360; *provided* that in the event that the Servicer is removed or resigns, the amount of such fee accrued to the effective date of such removal or resignation will be payable to the Servicer on the next succeeding Payment Date or Payment Dates on which such amount may be paid, in accordance with the Priority of Payments (provided that the payment of any fee payable pursuant to this proviso will be *pari passu* with the payment of any servicing fees to the then-current servicer).

**"Adjusted Collateral Collections"**: With respect to any Payment Date, the sum of (i) the Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections collected during the applicable Due Period, (ii) the Adjusted Collateral Principal Collections collected during the applicable Due Period and (iii) the available funds in the Expense Reimbursement Account, as each is determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date.

**"Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections"**: As defined under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions—Adjusted Collateral Collections."

**"Adjusted Collateral Principal Collections"**: As defined under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions—Adjusted Collateral Collections."

"Administration Agreement": The Administration Agreement, dated as of May 10, 2006, between the Issuer and the Administrator.

"Administrator": Maples Finance Limited, or any successor appointed by the Issuer.

"Affiliate": With respect to any specified Person, any other Person controlling or controlled by or under common control with such specified Person. For the purposes of this definition, "control," when used with respect to any specified Person, means the power to direct the management and policies of such Person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise; and the terms "controlling" and "controlled" have meanings correlative to the foregoing; *provided that* (for the avoidance of doubt) the only Affiliate of the Issuer shall be the Co-Issuer and the only Affiliate of the Co-Issuer shall be the Issuer.

"Aggregate Base Fees and Expenses": As defined under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions—Adjusted Collateral Collections."

"Aggregate Par Amount": With respect to any date of determination, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate, including cash and Eligible Investments representing Collateral Principal Collections on deposit in the Collection Account and the Initial Deposit Account.

"Aggregate Principal Amount": With respect to any date of determination, when used with respect to the Portfolio Collateral, the aggregate Principal Balances of such items of Portfolio Collateral on such date of determination. With respect to any date of determination, when used with respect to any Eligible Investments, the Balance of such Eligible Investments on such date of determination. When used with respect to any Note or Class of Notes, as of any date of determination, the original principal amount of such Note or Class of Notes, as applicable, reduced by all prior payments, if any, made with respect to principal of such Notes, including Class X Principal Payments, in the case of the Class X Notes. When used with respect to the Notes in the aggregate, the sum of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Outstanding Notes.

"Amendment Buy-Out": As described under "Legal Structure—The Indenture; Amendment Buy-Out."

"Amendment Buy-Out Option": As described under "Legal Structure—The Indenture; Amendment Buy-Out."

"Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price": Shall mean the price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Notes or Preferred Shares purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out in an amount equal to (i) in the case of Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the date of purchase payable to the Non-Consenting Holder (giving effect to all amounts paid to such Holder on such date) and plus any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment, and (ii) in the case of the Preferred Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preferred Shares since the Closing Date (and any amounts payable, if any to such Holder on the next succeeding Payment Date) would cause such Preferred Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) an Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such date was a Payment Date under the Indenture); *provided that*, after the date on which any Holder of Preferred Shares has received an Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price for such Preferred Shares shall be equal to zero.

"Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser": Shall mean the Servicer (or any of its affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided that* in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Notes or Preferred Shares from Holders pursuant to the Amendment Buy-Out, "Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser) or any of its affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; *provided, however*, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser or any of their respective affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

"Amortization Period": The period beginning on the day after the end of the Revolving Period and ending on the Payment Date upon which the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes is paid in full.



"Applicable Periodic Rate": With respect to each Class of Notes and for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions—General."

"Applicable Percentage": Shall mean the lesser of the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate and the S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to such item of Portfolio Collateral, set forth in the Indenture.

"Approved Pricing Service": Any pricing service (including any of its successors and assigns) listed as an Approved Pricing Service on a schedule to the Indenture or otherwise disclosed in writing by the Issuer to the Trustee and the Holders of the Notes and not objected to by the Requisite Noteholders within 15 days of such disclosure, *provided* that the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to any pricing service not included on the schedule to the Indenture.

"Asset Backed Security": Any obligation that is either (i) a security that is primarily serviced by the cash flows of a discrete pool of receivables or other financial assets, either fixed or revolving, and that, by its terms converts into cash within a finite time period, *plus* any rights or other assets designed to assure the servicing or timely distribution of proceeds to the Holders thereof or (ii) an "asset-backed security" as such term may be defined from time to time in the "General Instructions to Form S-3 Registration Statement" promulgated under the Securities Act, including collateralized bond obligations and collateralized loan obligations.

"Assignment": An arrangement whereby a creditor assigns an interest in a loan to the Issuer.

"Available Funds": With respect to any Payment Date, the amount of any positive balance in the Collection Account as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date.

"Average Life": As described under "Security for the Notes—Weighted Average Life Requirement."

"Balance": On any date, with respect to cash or Eligible Investments in the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account or the Expense Reimbursement Account, the aggregate (i) face amount or current balance, as the case may be, of cash, demand deposits, time deposits, certificates of deposit, bankers' acceptances, federal funds and commercial bank money market accounts; (ii) outstanding principal amounts of interest-bearing government and corporate securities, and (iii) purchase price of non-interest-bearing government and corporate securities, commercial paper and repurchase obligations.

"Base Fee Amount": With respect to each Due Period, an amount equal to 0.20% per annum of the Quarterly Collateral Amount, calculated on the basis of a 360-day year and the actual number of days elapsed.

"Base Servicing Fee": For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Base Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (b) the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date; *provided* that in the event that the Servicer is removed or resigns, the amount of such fee accrued to the effective date of such removal or resignation will be payable to the Servicer on the next succeeding Payment Date or Payment Dates on which such amount may be paid, in accordance with the Priority of Payments (provided that the payment of any fee payable pursuant to this proviso will be *pari passu* with the payment of any servicing fees to the then-current servicer).

"B Rating Category": Having a Moody's Rating of "B1" or below or an S&P Rating of "B+" or below.

"BB Rating Category": Having a Moody's Rating of "Ba1" or below or an S&P Rating of "BB+" or below.

"Bear Stearns": Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc.

"Benefit Plan Investor": As defined in United States Department of Labor Regulation Section 2510.3-101(f)(2).

"Business Day": Any day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or other day on which commercial banking institutions in the City of New York, the state of New York, or in the city in which the Trustee's corporate trust office is located or, to the extent action is required of a Paying Agent, including the Trustee, in the city of the place

of payment, are authorized or obligated by law or executive order to be closed. To the extent action is required of the Irish Paying Agent, Dublin, Ireland shall be considered in determining "Business Day" for purposes of determining when such Irish Paying Agent action is required.

"Calculation Agent": Initially, JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association.

"Calculation Date": The last day of each Due Period.

"CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral": Portfolio Collateral (excluding Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) that has a Moody's Rating below "B3" or an S&P Rating below "B-".

"CCC Rating Category": Having a Moody's Rating of "Caa1" or below or an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or below.

"Class": The Class X Notes, the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes, as the case may be.

"Class A Notes": The Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes and the Class A-4L Notes.

"Class A Overcollateralization Percentage": The overcollateralization percentage applicable to the Notes set forth under "Description of the Notes—Overcollateralization Tests."

"Class A Overcollateralization Test": As described in "Description of the Notes—Overcollateralization Tests."

"Class A Overcollateralization Ratio": As described under "Description of the Notes—Overcollateralization Tests."

"Class A-1LA Notes": The U.S.\$538,000,000 Class A-1LA Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2021.

"Class A-1LB Notes": The U.S.\$96,000,000 Class A-1LB Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2021.

"Class A-2L Notes": The U.S.\$76,000,000 Class A-2L Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2021.

"Class A-3L Notes": The U.S.\$36,500,000 Class A-3L Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2021.

"Class A-4L Notes": The U.S.\$10,000,000 Class A-4L Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2021.

"Class B-1L Notes": The U.S.\$21,000,000 Class B-1L Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2021.

"Class B-1L Overcollateralization Percentage": The overcollateralization percentage applicable to the Class B-1L Notes set forth under "Description of the Notes—Overcollateralization Tests".

"Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio": As described under "Description of the Notes—Overcollateralization Tests".

"Class I Preferred Shares": The Class I Preferred Shares, par value \$0.001 per share, issued by the Issuer; *provided* that any transfer of Class I Preferred Shares to HFP from any third party shall require the exchange and conversion of such Class I Preferred Shares into Class II Preferred Shares.

"Class II Preferred Shares": The Class II Preferred Shares, par value \$0.001 per share, issued by the Issuer and held by HFP; *provided* that any transfer of Class II Preferred Shares by HFP to any third party shall require that

such Class II Preferred Shares be redeemed by the Issuer and a corresponding amount of Class I Preferred Shares be issued to Investor Corp. which will in turn issue its preferred shares to such investor.

"Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend": For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the sum of (a) the product of (i) the Additional Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (ii) the Class II Preferred Share Portion for such Payment Date plus (b) on any Payment Date that any part of the Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, interest on such unpaid amount in an amount equal to the product of (i) LIBOR for the applicable period and (ii) the actual number of days in such Due Period, divided by 360 plus (c) on any Payment Date that any part of the Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, such unpaid Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend and interest thereon in an amount equal to the product of (i) LIBOR for the applicable period and (ii) the actual number of days in such Due Period divided by 360.

"Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend": For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Base Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preferred Share Portion for such Payment Date.

"Class II Preferred Share Dividend": Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend, Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend and Class II Preferred Share Supplemental Dividend.

"Class II Preferred Share Percentage": For any Payment Date, a fraction, expressed as a percentage, the numerator of which is the number of Outstanding Class II Preferred Shares on the Calculation Date related to such Payment Date and the denominator of which is the total number of Outstanding Preferred Shares on such Calculation Date.

"Class II Preferred Share Portion": For any Payment Date, 100% minus the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date.

"Class II Preferred Share Supplemental Dividend": For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Supplemental Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preferred Share Portion for such Payment Date.

"Class X Interest Payment": The Periodic Interest Amount with respect to the Class X Notes.

"Class X Notes": The U.S.\$14,000,000 Class X Floating Rate Notes Due August 2013.

"Class X Payment": With respect to each Payment Date; the Class X Interest Payment and the Class X Principal Payment; *provided*, such amount may be reduced in connection with a redemption of the Class X Notes, as set forth in the Indenture.

"Class X Principal Payment": With respect to the Class X Notes and any Payment Date, beginning on the November 1, 2007 Payment Date, in accordance with the amortization schedule provided in the Indenture.

"Class X Shortfall Amount": With respect to the Class X Notes and any Payment Date, any shortfall or shortfalls in the payment of the Class X Payment with respect to any preceding Payment Date or Payment Dates together with interest accrued thereon at the Periodic Interest Rate relating to the Class X Notes (net of all Class X Shortfall Amounts, if any, paid with respect to the Class X Notes prior to such Payment Date).

"Clearstream": Clearstream Banking, société anonyme.

"Closing Date": May 10, 2006.

"Closing Expense Account": An account maintained by the Issuer with the Trustee into which an amount necessary to pay closing expenses will be deposited on the Closing Date.

"CLO Security": A U.S. dollar-denominated collateralized loan obligation or a similar obligation that entitles the holders thereof to receive payments that depend (except for rights or other assets designed to assure the servicing or timely distribution of proceeds to holders of the CLO Securities) on the credit exposure to, or cash flow from, a portfolio of collateral of which at least 75% consists of commercial loans (including eligible synthetic securities whose reference obligations consist of commercial loans); *provided* that not more than 25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of any CLO Security may be comprised of Synthetic Securities; and *provided* further that each CLO Security must have a public or an estimated rating from each of the Rating Agencies.

"Code": The United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time.

"Co-Issuer": Rockwall CDO (Delaware) Corp., a Delaware corporation.

"Co-Issuers": The Issuer and the Co-Issuer.

"Collateral": All money, instruments and other property and rights subject or intended to be subject to the lien of the Indenture including all proceeds thereof, including the Portfolio Collateral, the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Reserve Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Loan Funding Account, the Closing Expense Account, the Default Swap Collateral Account (subject to the rights of the related Default Swap Counterparty) and the Default Swap Issuer Account (subject to the rights of the related Default Swap Counterparty).

"Collateral Disposition Proceeds": All proceeds (including, to the extent so determined by the Servicer, any payments received in connection with a consent or similar solicitation and including amounts received in connection with an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral up to an amount equal to, in the aggregate, the Principal Balance of such item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) received during a Due Period from the sale or other disposition of any Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate, net of any reasonable amounts expended by the Trustee in connection with such sale or other disposition (including without limitation disposition proceeds from liquidation of the Trust Estate). Accrued interest may be treated as Collateral Disposition Proceeds (y) to the extent necessary to pay for the principal amount of or accrued interest on Substitute Portfolio Collateral if the item of sold Portfolio Collateral paid interest before, and in the same Due Period as, the date of sale or (z) to the extent such amounts are Purchased Accrued Interest treated as Collateral Principal Collections hereunder. Amounts received with respect to Equity Portfolio Collateral or in connection with a consent or similar solicitation shall be treated as Collateral Interest Collections to the extent such proceeds are in excess of the Principal Balance (determined immediately prior to such Portfolio Collateral becoming Equity Portfolio Collateral) of the Portfolio Collateral disposed of.

"Collateral Interest Collections": With respect to any Payment Date, the sum of (i) all payments of interest with respect to any Portfolio Collateral (excluding accrued interest classified as Collateral Disposition Proceeds but including any other receipts of accrued interest (including Accrued Interest on Sale) and, to the extent so determined by the Servicer, any payments (other than principal) received pursuant to a consent or similar solicitation, fees received in connection with an amendment (but only to the extent such amendment does not result in diminishing the principal money terms of such item of Portfolio Collateral) and including any commitment, standby or similar fees with respect to the unfunded portion of the Issuer's commitment to make or otherwise fund advances with respect to a Delayed Drawdown Loan or a Revolving Loan which are received during the applicable Due Period, less any Retained Accrued Interest, (ii) the Account Income, if any, in the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account and the Loan Funding Account which is received during the applicable Due Period, as each is determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date (including, without limitation, Account Income on funds on deposit in the Initial Deposit Account transferred to the Collection Account on the Effective Date pursuant to the Indenture, (iii) any amount transferred from the Initial Deposit Account at the discretion of the Servicer as described under "Security for the Notes—Accounts" and (iv) income on Eligible Investments in and/or the securities credited to the Default Swap Collateral Account (to the extent the Issuer is entitled to receive such income pursuant to the Indenture).

"Collateral LIBOR": With respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral, the London interbank offered rate for U.S. dollar deposits as set forth in the applicable Underlying Instrument.

"Collateral Principal Collections": With respect to any Payment Date, all payments of any principal with respect to any Portfolio Collateral including (i) any remaining Deposit (other than Account Income thereon and

amounts described in clause (iii) of the definition of "Collateral Interest Collections" herein) not applied to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral or to effect an Initial Deposit Redemption, (ii) any payment of Premium, (iii) to the extent so determined by the Servicer, including any payments received in connection with a consent or similar solicitation, fees received in connection with an amendment and including principal received in connection with or any payments received with respect to an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral in connection with a consent or similar solicitation, (iv) all proceeds received from the sale of any warrant (whether sold as part of a Unit or separately), (v) any Collateral Disposition Proceeds which are received during the applicable Due Period, as determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date, (vi) amounts representing Purchased Accrued Interest, (vii) amounts transferred from the Loan Funding Account upon the sale or disposition of Delayed Drawdown Loans or Revolving Loans or upon the expiration of a drawdown period or revolving period. Collateral Principal Collections shall include any other amounts not included in Collateral Interest Collections or Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections, including any payments received with respect to an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral up to, in the aggregate, the Principal Balance of such item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, (viii) funds (other than income thereon) transferred from a Default Swap Collateral Account to the Collection Account, (ix) any amounts received by the Issuer that do not qualify as Collateral Interest Collections (other than those standing to the credit of any Default Swap Collateral Account or Default Swap Issuer Account) and (x) on or after the Effective Date, any funds in the Initial Deposit Account not considered Collateral Interest Collections). Notwithstanding the foregoing, Collateral Principal Collections shall include (A) any other amounts not included in Collateral Interest Collections or Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections, (B) any payments received with respect to an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral up to, in the aggregate, the Principal Balance of such item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and (C) any amounts recharacterized as Collateral Principal Collections in connection with any distribution of Payment Date Equity Securities.

"Collateral Quality Formula": As such term is defined in the Indenture.

"Collateral Quality Matrix": As described under "Security for the Notes—Criteria for Purchase and Substitution of Collateral—Collateral Quality Matrix Tests."

"Collection Account": The account established with the Trustee for use in connection with the collection and disbursement of Collections.

"Collections": With respect to any Payment Date, the sum of (i) the Collateral Interest Collections collected during the applicable Due Period and (ii) the Collateral Principal Collections collected during the applicable Due Period, as each is determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date.

"Controlling Class": Shall mean the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class X Notes, so long as any Class A-1LA Notes or Class X Notes are Outstanding, then the Class A-1LB Notes, so long as any Class A-1LB Notes are Outstanding, then the Class A-2L Notes, so long as any Class A-2L Notes are Outstanding, then the Class A-3L Notes, so long as any Class A-3L Notes are Outstanding, then the Class A-4L Notes, as long as any Class A-4L Notes are Outstanding, then the Class B-1L Notes, so long as any Class B-1L Notes are Outstanding.

"Coupon Adjustment": A proportional reduction of the required Weighted Average Coupon of the Fixed Rate Collateral or the required Weighted Average Margin of the Floating Rate Collateral, as determined in accordance with the Indenture, to the extent that either the actual Weighted Average Margin of the Floating Rate Collateral or the actual Weighted Average Coupon of the Fixed Rate Collateral, respectively, exceeds the required amount specified in the Indenture, in each case without regard to any Coupon Adjustment.

"Credit Event": As defined under "Special Considerations—Nature of Collateral Pledged to Secure the Notes; Ability to Obtain Additional Portfolio Collateral; Availability of Funds for Subordinate Payments.

"Credit Improved Criteria": Shall mean with respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral, in the Servicer's reasonable judgment, such item of Portfolio Collateral has significantly improved in credit quality, and:

(a) Moody's, S&P or Fitch has placed such item of Portfolio Collateral or any other class of security issued together with such item of Portfolio Collateral (or, if such item of Portfolio Collateral is not rated, the issuer

thereof) on its credit watch list (or similar list) with the potential for developing positive credit implications since the date the Issuer first acquired such item of Portfolio Collateral (and for so long as such item of Portfolio Collateral or issuer, as applicable, remains on such list) or there has been an upgrade in the rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral, issuer or other class of security issued together with such item of Portfolio Collateral, as applicable, by Moody's, S&P or Fitch by one or more subcategories from the rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral or issuer, as applicable, by Moody's, S&P or Fitch, as applicable, in effect on the date the Issuer first acquired such item of Portfolio Collateral;

(b) with respect to a Portfolio Loan, since the date on which such Portfolio Loan was first acquired by the Issuer, has increased in price to 101.5% or more of its original purchase price or the spread of which over the related reference rate has been reduced, in each case, in accordance with its Underlying Instruments since the date on which such item of Portfolio Collateral was first acquired by the Issuer by 0.25% or more (in the case of an item of Portfolio Collateral with a spread over the related reference rate less than or equal to 2.00% at the time such item of Portfolio Collateral was first acquired by the Issuer) or 0.50% or more (in the case of an item of Portfolio Collateral with a spread over the related reference rate greater than 2.00% at the time such item of Portfolio Collateral was first acquired by the Issuer) for reasons primarily due to an improvement in the related borrower's financial ratios or financial results and not as a result of general market conditions; or

(c) with respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral which is not a Portfolio Loan, an increase in the market price (expressed as a percentage of par value) since the date of purchase of such item of Portfolio Collateral which, compared to the change in the average market price of a representative sample (as determined by the Servicer) of other debt securities with similar terms and credit characteristics and that would be eligible to be pledged as Portfolio Collateral, is greater than 3.00% of the par value or more relative to such representative sample; or a decrease since the date of purchase of such item of Portfolio Collateral of more than 10.0% in the difference between the yield to worst call on such item of Portfolio Collateral compared to the yield on the relevant United States Treasury security;

*provided, however*, that the criteria in (b) and (c) above may be used only as corroboration of other bases for the Servicer's Judgment.

"Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral": Any item of Portfolio Collateral which, (a) in the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment consistent with the standard of care set forth in the Servicing Agreement (*provided*, that in forming such judgment a decrease in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases of such judgment), has improved in credit quality or otherwise satisfies the Credit Improved Criteria or (b) is sold pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange; *provided* that the Aggregate Principal Amount of any such Portfolio Collateral sold pursuant to clause (b) shall not exceed, during any twelve-month period, 20% (or such lower amount as determined by the Servicer) of the Aggregate Par Amount as of the first day of such period.

"Credit Protection Payment": As defined under "Special Considerations—Nature of Collateral Pledged to Secure the Notes; Ability to Obtain Additional Portfolio Collateral; Availability of Funds for Subordinate Payments.

"Credit Risk Criteria": Shall mean with respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral:

(a) Moody's, Fitch or S&P has placed such item of Portfolio Collateral or any other class of security issued together with such item of Portfolio Collateral (or, if such item of Portfolio Collateral is not rated, the issuer thereof) on its credit watch list with the potential for developing negative credit implications (or similar list) since the date the Issuer first acquired such item of Portfolio Collateral (and for so long as such item of Portfolio Collateral or issuer, as applicable, remains on such list) or there has been a reduction in the rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral, issuer or other class of security issued together with such item of Portfolio Collateral, as applicable, by Moody's, Fitch or S&P, as applicable, by one or more subcategories from the rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral or issuer, as applicable, by Moody's, Fitch or S&P, as applicable, in effect on the date the Issuer first acquired such item of Portfolio Collateral;

(b) which is a Portfolio Loan, the spread over the applicable reference rate has been increased in accordance with the related Underlying Instruments since the date on which such Portfolio Loan was first acquired by the Issuer by 0.50% or more (in the case of a Portfolio Loan with a spread over the applicable reference rate at the time such Portfolio Loan was first acquired by the Issuer less than or equal to 2.00%) or 0.75% or more (in the case of a Portfolio Loan with a spread over the applicable reference rate at the time such Portfolio Loan was first acquired by the Issuer greater than 2.00%) primarily due to a deterioration in the related borrower's financial ratios or financial results and not as a result of general market conditions; provided, however, that the criteria in this paragraph (b) may be used only as corroboration of other bases for the Servicer's judgment;

(c) which is a CLO Security, a decline in the par amount of underlying collateral such that the aggregate par amount of the entire class of securities to which such item of Portfolio Collateral belongs and all other securities secured by the same pool of collateral and that rank senior in priority of payment to such class of securities exceeds the aggregate par amount of all collateral (excluding defaulted collateral) securing such securities; or

(d) it is a Deferred Interest PIK Bond or a partial Deferred Interest PIK Bond.

"Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral": Any item of Portfolio Collateral (other than an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) which, in the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment consistent with the standard of care set forth in the Servicing Agreement (which judgment shall not be questioned as a result of subsequent events; *provided* that in forming such judgment an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral may only be initialized as corroboration of other bases of such judgment), (i) is likely to decline in credit quality and, with the passage of time, become Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and (ii) if a Sales Restriction Condition has occurred, otherwise satisfies the Credit Risk Criteria.

"Cumulative Class X Payment": With respect to any Payment Date and the Class X Notes, the Class X Payment with respect to such Payment Date and the Class X Shortfall Amount, if any, with respect to such Payment Date.

"Cumulative Interest Amount": With respect to a Payment Date and a Class of Notes, the applicable Periodic Interest Amount with respect to such Payment Date and the applicable Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount, if any, with respect to such Payment Date.

"Current Pay Obligation": An item of Portfolio Collateral that would otherwise be an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral but as to which (i) no interest payments (including deferred interest) or scheduled principal payments are due and payable that are unpaid and the Servicer reasonably expects that the issuer or obligor of such item of Portfolio Collateral will continue to make scheduled payments in cash of interest or principal thereon and will pay the principal thereof by maturity, (ii) if the issuer or obligor of such item of Portfolio Collateral is subject to a bankruptcy proceeding, a bankruptcy court has authorized the payment of interest due and payable on such item of Portfolio Collateral, and (iii) either (a) the Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral is equal to or greater than 80% of par and the Moody's Rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral is at least "Caa1" or (b) the Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral is equal to or greater than 85% of par and the Moody's Rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral is at least "Caa2" (or, if the Moody's Rating has been withdrawn, the Moody's Rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral was at least "Caa2" prior to withdrawal) or (c) if the Moody's Rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral is less than "Caa2" or is "Caa2" and on credit watch with negative implications, but greater than or equal to "Caa3" without credit watch with negative implications, the Market Value of the such item of Portfolio Collateral is at least equal to 90% of its Principal Balance; provided that if the Moody's Rating of the item of Portfolio Collateral has been withdrawn but the obligation had a Moody's rating of at least "Caa3" without credit watch with negative implications at the time of default, such item of Portfolio Collateral may be treated as a Current Pay Obligation if its Market Value is at least equal to 90% of its Principal Balance.

"Current Portfolio": As described under "Security for the Notes—S&P CDO Monitor Test."

"Debt Security": Each Structured Finance Investment and interests in corporate and other debt securities (including senior secured rate floating notes) included in the Portfolio Collateral (other than Eligible Investments,

CLO Securities and Portfolio Loans) and, for the avoidance of doubt, Portfolio Loans shall not be considered Debt Securities.

**"Default"**: Any event or condition the occurrence or existence of which would, with the giving of notice or lapse of time or both become, an Event of Default.

**"Defaulted Portfolio Collateral"**: Any item of Portfolio Collateral (other than an item of Portfolio Collateral which is a DIP Loan, unless such item of Portfolio Collateral itself is in default since acquisition), including with respect to a Synthetic Security, the related Reference Obligation, with respect to which:

(i) the issuer thereof has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (in respect of Portfolio Loans only, beyond five Business Days, *provided* the Servicer certifies in writing to the Trustee that it believes, in its reasonable business judgment, that such delay is not credit related), unless, in the case of a failure of such issuer to make required interest payments, such issuer has resumed current cash payments of interest and paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon;

(ii) such item of Portfolio Collateral is *pari passu* with or subordinated to other material indebtedness for borrowed money owing by the issuer thereof ("Other Indebtedness") and such issuer has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (beyond any applicable grace or notice period and without regard to any waiver of such default) on such Other Indebtedness, unless, in the case of a failure of such issuer to make required interest payments, such issuer has resumed current cash payments of interest and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon;

(iii) certain bankruptcy or insolvency events have occurred;

(iv) the Servicer has knowledge (or such rating information has been published) that the issuer thereof is rated "D" or "SD" (or S&P has withdrawn its rating which prior to such withdrawal was rated "D" or "SD");

(v) there has been proposed or effected any distressed exchange or other distressed debt restructuring where the issuer of such Portfolio Collateral has offered the debt holders a new security or package of securities that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer amounts to a diminished financial obligation;

(vi) such item of Portfolio Collateral is declared to be an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral by the Servicer, but only so long as it remains so designated by the Servicer in its sole discretion; or

(vii) such item of Portfolio Collateral is a CLO Security which is rated "CC" or below by S&P (or S&P has withdrawn its rating which prior to such withdrawal was rated "CC"), or rated "C" or "Ca" or below by Moody's;

*provided* that any item of Portfolio Collateral that is classified as an item of "Defaulted Portfolio Collateral" will cease to be so classified if such item of Portfolio Collateral, at any date thereafter, (a) would not otherwise be classified as an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral in accordance with the definition of such term and (b) otherwise meets the collateral criteria described herein as of such date.

**"Default Swap"**: Any U.S. dollar denominated "pay as you go" credit default swap or total return swap with respect to a Reference Obligation, which the Issuer (directly or indirectly) purchased from or entered into with a Default Swap Counterparty, which contains equivalent probability of default, recovery upon default (or a specific percentage thereof), expected loss, maturity, interest rate and other non-credit characteristics as those of the related Reference Obligation (without taking account of such considerations as they relate to the Default Swap Counterparty); *provided that* (i) the Reference Obligation is a CLO Security, (ii) such Default Swap will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. Federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to U.S. Federal income tax on a net income tax basis, (iii) either (a) amounts receivable by the Issuer are not expected to (based on the Servicer's determination, which may include consultation with counsel to the Issuer) be subject to U.S. or foreign withholding tax in respect of the Default Swap or (b) the Default Swap Counterparty is required to make "gross-up" payments pursuant to the related Underlying Instruments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax on an after-tax basis (including any tax on such additional



payments), (iv) the Issuer has caused to be deposited in a Default Swap Collateral Account an amount in cash at least equal to the aggregate of (or the amount required under the terms of the Synthetic Security to provide for) all further payments (contingent or otherwise) that the Issuer is or may be required to make to the Default Swap Counterparty under the Default Swap; (v) the agreement relating to such Default Swap contains "non-petition" provisions with respect to the Issuer and "limited recourse" provisions limiting the Default Swap Counterparty's rights in respect of the Default Swap Collateral to the funds and other property credited to the Default Swap Collateral Account related to such Default Swap; (vi) the notional amount of such Default Swap is equal to the principal amount of the Reference Obligation; (vii) the agreement relating to such Default Swap Collateral contains provisions to the effect that upon the occurrence of an "Event of Default" or "Termination Event" (other than an "Illegality" or "Tax Event"), if any, where the Default Swap Counterparty is the sole "Defaulting Party" or the sole "Affected Party" ("Event of Default," "Termination Event," "Illegality," "Tax Event," "Defaulting Party" or "Affected Party," as applicable, as such terms are defined in the ISDA Master Agreement relating to such Default Swap), (a) the Issuer may terminate its obligations under such Default Swap and upon such termination and payment of any termination amount payable under the Default Swap, any lien in favor of the Default Swap Counterparty over its related Default Swap Collateral Account will be terminated and (b) upon payment of any termination amount payable under the Default Swap, the Issuer will no longer be obligated to make any payments to the Default Swap Counterparty with respect to such Default Swap, (viii) any Default Swap shall be positively indexed to the related Reference Obligation on no more than a one-to-one basis, (ix) if any Reference Obligation delivered pursuant to any Default Swap does not constitute Portfolio Collateral and it would cause any collateral quality test or concentration limitation not to be satisfied, such Reference Obligation shall be deemed Equity Portfolio Collateral, and (x) (a) such Default Swap shall be documented with a standard ISDA form master agreement, as modified by appropriate schedules and confirmations and (b) (1) such Default Swap is a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or (2) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the purchase of or entry into such Default Swap.

"Default Swap Collateral": Means cash, securities or other collateral purchased or posted by the Issuer for the benefit of the Default Swap Counterparty in connection with the purchase of a Default Swap, including without limitation a payment of cash or delivery of securities by the Issuer.

"Default Swap Collateral Account": The account established by the Trustee under the Indenture with respect to Default Swap Collateral, which account will be held in the name of the Trustee in trust for the benefit of the related Default Swap Counterparty.

"Default Swap Counterparty": Any entity, whose long term senior unsecured debt or derivatives counterparty rating shall be at least "A2" by Moody's and a long term rating of at least "A" or a short term rating of at least "A-1" by S&P, required to make payments on Synthetic Portfolio Collateral pursuant to the terms of such Default Swap or any guarantee thereof to the extent that a Reference Obligor makes payments on a related Reference Obligation.

"Default Swap Counterparty Termination Payment": An amount payable by the Issuer to a Default Swap Counterparty that is due following the designation of an "Early Termination Date" (as defined in the related credit default swap) (other than in respect of "Illegality" or a "Tax Event" (each as defined in the related credit default swap)), as to which the Default Swap Counterparty is the sole "Defaulting Party" or the sole "Affected Party" (as each such term is defined in the ISDA Master Agreement related to such Synthetic Security).

"Default Swap Issuer Account": The account established by the Trustee under the Indenture with respect to any Synthetic Security if the terms of such Default Swap require the Default Swap Counterparty to secure its obligations with respect to such Default Swap, which account will be held in the name of the Trustee in trust for the benefit of the Noteholders and the other secured parties under the Indenture.

"Deferred Interest PIK Bond": As of any date of determination, any PIK Bond that is not an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral that has, in accordance with its terms, deferred or paid "in-kind" any amount of interest for a period equal to:

(a) in the case of an item of Portfolio Collateral that has a Moody's Rating below "Baa3" (or, if rated "Baa3," is on credit watch for possible downgrade) or, if rated by S&P, a rating by S&P below "BBB-" (or, if rated "BBB-," is on credit watch for possible downgrade), the shorter of one accrual period or six months; and

(b) in all other cases, the shorter of two accrual periods or twelve months;

and has not, as of such date of determination, resumed timely payment of current interest in cash and repaid all outstanding deferred or capitalized interest in cash. For the avoidance of doubt, an item of Portfolio Collateral will not constitute a Deferred Interest PIK Bond if it resumes timely payment of current interest in cash and repays all outstanding deferred or capitalized interest in cash on the Payment Date immediately succeeding the end of the interest accrual period(s) set forth above.

**"Definitive Notes"**: With respect to any Class, the definitive fully registered Notes of each Class sold in the United States to Qualified Institutional Buyers who are U.S. Persons or issued in lieu of a Regulation S Global Note under the circumstances described herein.

**"Delayed Drawdown Loan"**: A Portfolio Loan that, pursuant to the related Underlying Instrument or Underlying Loan and Security Agreement and lender or lenders, would obligate the Issuer, if the Issuer were to become a lender thereunder by purchasing such Portfolio Loan for inclusion in the Trust Estate, to make or otherwise fund one or more future advances to the related borrower and meeting the criteria described under "Security for the Notes—Criteria for Purchase and Substitution of Collateral"; provided that, if a Delayed Drawdown Loan has been drawn in full and there are no future advance obligations to the related borrower, such Portfolio Loan will no longer be considered a Delayed Drawdown Loan.

**"Deposit"**: The cash deposited in the Initial Deposit Account on the Closing Date, including any reimbursement for amounts withdrawn therefrom as described under "Security for the Notes—Accounts" (excluding any Account Income thereon), which amount shall include certain amounts related to interest received on Portfolio Collateral as specified in the Indenture.

**"DIP Loan"**: Any interest in a loan or financing facility (a) which at the time of purchase is an obligation of a debtor-in-possession pursuant to Section 364 of United States the Bankruptcy Code, (b) the terms of which have been approved by an order of a United States Bankruptcy Court, a United States District Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, the enforceability of which order is not subject to any pending contested matter or proceeding (as such terms are defined in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure), (c) which has the priority allowed by either Section 364(c) or 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code, (d) which pays interest in cash on a current basis and (e) as to which the obligor has paid its most recent scheduled interest and principal payments (if any) and the Servicer reasonably expects that such obligor will continue to pay interest and principal payments. For purposes hereof, a DIP Loan shall not be considered a Current Pay Obligation. Any DIP Loan added as an item of Portfolio Collateral must be assigned a formal or estimated rating by each of the Rating Agencies.

**"Discount Portfolio Collateral"**: (a) Any Portfolio Loan which had a Moody's Rating of at least "B3" at the time of purchase and which was purchased at a price less than 85% of the Principal Balance thereof, (b) any Portfolio Loan which had a Moody's Rating below "B3" at the time of purchase and which was purchased at a price less than 90% of the Principal Balance thereof, (c) any item of Portfolio Collateral which is not a Portfolio Loan and which had a Moody's Rating of at least "B3" at the time of purchase and which was purchased at a price less than 80% of the Principal Balance thereof, (d) any item of Portfolio Collateral which is not a Portfolio Loan and which had a Moody's Rating below "B3" at the time of purchase and which was purchased at a price less than 85% of the Principal Balance thereof and (e) any CLO Security which had a Moody's Rating of "Aa3" or greater at the time of purchase or originally rated "Aa3" or greater by Moody's which was purchased at a price less than 92% of the Principal Balance thereof and the provisions outlined below will not be applicable to these CLO Securities with a Moody's Rating of at least "Aa3"; *provided* that, (i) any item of Portfolio Collateral that would otherwise be considered Discount Portfolio Collateral, but that has a Market Value above 90% of its Principal Balance for 22 consecutive Business Days if it is a Portfolio Loan or above 85% of its Principal Balance for 60 consecutive days if it is a CLO Security, after being purchased by the Issuer, will no longer be considered Discount Portfolio Collateral and (ii) any item of Portfolio Collateral that would otherwise be considered Discount Portfolio Collateral, but that is purchased with the proceeds of sale of an item of Portfolio Collateral that was not an item of Discount Portfolio Collateral at the time of its purchase, so long as such item of Portfolio Collateral (a) was purchased or committed to be purchased within five Business Days of such sale, (b) was purchased at a price (as a percentage of par) equal to or greater than the sale price of the sold item of Portfolio Collateral, (c) was purchased at a purchase price not less than 65% of the Principal Balance thereof and (d) had a rating equal to or greater than the rating of the sold item of

Portfolio Collateral, will not be considered Discount Portfolio Collateral. Notwithstanding the foregoing, at no time during the period commencing on the Closing Date through the Final Maturity Date, shall the Aggregate Principal Amount of all items of Discount Portfolio Collateral purchased pursuant to clause (ii) exceed in the aggregate 10% of the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount; *provided* that no more than 3% of the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount of such 10% cumulative limitation may consist of CLO Securities; *provided* that if a Portfolio Loan purchased pursuant to clause (ii) above is repaid in full, is sold for a price equal to at least 97.5% of its unpaid Principal Balance or has a Market Value above 90% of its Principal Balance for at least 22 consecutive Business Days after being purchased, such Portfolio Loan shall not be taken into account for purposes of clause (ii) above; *provided* further that, as of any date of determination, the Aggregate Principal Amount of items of Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate purchased pursuant to clause (ii) above, may not exceed (x) 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount or (y) if the weighted average purchase price of Portfolio Collateral purchased pursuant to clause (b) above is less than 75% as of such date of determination, 2.5% of the Aggregate Par Amount.

"Distributable Equity Securities": Any and all Equity Portfolio Collateral, which cannot be sold by the Servicer as a result of the regulatory, market or other restrictions, as determined in good faith by the Servicer, and shall have the value as determined by an independent third party with relevant experience in making such valuation.

"DTC": The Depository Trust Company or any successor thereto.

"Due Period": With respect to any Payment Date, the period beginning on the day following the last day of the immediately preceding Due Period (or, in the case of the Due Period that is applicable to the first Payment Date beginning on the Closing Date) and ending at the close of business on the seventh Business Day preceding such Payment Date.

"Effective Date": The earlier of (i) the first date on which the Deposit has been applied to the purchase (or committed to the purchase), of Original Portfolio Collateral such that the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any of the Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date) is at least equal to the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount or (ii) September 10, 2006.

"Eligible Investments": Any U.S. dollar denominated investment that is one or more of the following (including security entitlements thereto):

(a) direct registered obligations of, and registered obligations fully guaranteed by, the United States of America or any agency or instrumentality of the United States of America the obligations of which are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America or United States Security Entitlements (as defined in the Indenture) other than obligations or security entitlements of the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation; *provided, however*, that, in the case of obligations or United States Security Entitlements that are rated, each such obligation shall, at the time of its inclusion in the Trust Estate, have a credit rating of "AA-" or better or "A-1+" or better, as applicable, by S&P (except that Eligible Investments in an amount up to 20% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes Outstanding may be rated "A-1") and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) or "P-1" or better by Moody's, and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications);

(b) demand and time deposits in, trust accounts with, and certificates of deposit of, any depository institution or trust company (including the Trustee) incorporated under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof and subject to the supervision and examination by federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or debt obligations of such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company) at the time of purchase or contractual commitment providing for such purchase have a credit rating of "AA-" or better, in the case of debt obligations, or "A-1+" or better, in the case of commercial paper, by S&P (except that Eligible Investments in an amount up to 20% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes Outstanding may be

rated "A-1") and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) or "P-1" or better by Moody's, and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications);

(c) registered securities bearing interest or sold at a discount issued by any corporation incorporated under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof that have a credit rating of "AA-" or better by S&P and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) or "P-1" or better by Moody's at the time of such purchase or contractual commitment providing for such purchase, and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications);

(d) repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clause (a) above, entered into with a depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (b) above (including the Trustee) or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose short-term debt has a credit rating of "A-1+" (except that Eligible Investments in an amount up to 20% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes Outstanding may be rated "A-1") or better by S&P and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) or "P-1" or better by Moody's at the time of purchase in the case of any repurchase obligation for a security having a maturity not more than 183 days from the date of its issuance or whose long-term debt has a credit rating of "AA-" or better by S&P and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) by Moody's at the time of purchase in the case of any repurchase obligation for a security having a maturity more than 183 days from the date of its issuance and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications);

(e) commercial paper having at the time of purchase a credit rating of "A-1+" (except that an amount up to 20% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes Outstanding may be rated "A-1") or better by S&P and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) or "P-1" or better by Moody's and that has a maturity of not more than 183 days from its date of issuance; *provided, however*, that in the case of commercial paper with a maturity of longer than 91 days, the issuer of such commercial paper (or, in the case of a principal depository institution in a holding company system, the holding company of such system), if rated by S&P, must have at the time of purchase a long-term credit rating of "AA-" or better by S&P and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) by Moody's and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications);

(f) off-shore money market funds, which funds have, at all times, the highest credit rating assigned to such investment category by S&P and Moody's; and

(g) such other Eligible Investments acceptable to the Rating Agencies.

*provided, however*, that: (i) Eligible Investments purchased with funds in the Collection Account shall be held until maturity (or sold only for an amount at least equal to the par amount of such Eligible Investment) and shall include only such obligations or securities as mature no later than the Business Day prior to the next Payment Date and Eligible Investments purchased with funds in the Initial Deposit Account shall be held until maturity (or sold only for an amount at least equal to the par amount of such Eligible Investment) and shall include only such obligations or securities as mature no later than the Business Day prior to the date expected to be used and in any event prior to the Initial Deposit Redemption Date; (ii) none of the foregoing obligations or securities shall constitute Eligible Investments if all, or substantially all, of the remaining amounts payable thereunder shall consist of interest and not principal payments; (iii) none of the S&P ratings required above shall have a subscript of "r", "t", "p", "pi" or "q"; (iv) none of the foregoing obligations or securities shall constitute Eligible Investments if such obligations or securities are mortgage-backed securities; (v) no such obligation may be margin stock, securities which have a mandatory or optional conversion to equity or securities which are subject to an Offer; (vi) no such obligation may have coupons or other payments that are subject to U.S. withholding tax or are subject to foreign withholding under the terms of the underlying instruments where the issuer is not required to make "gross-up" payments sufficient to cause the net amount to be received on the debt obligations to equal the amount that would have been paid had no such withholding tax applied; and (vii) any such Eligible Investment purchased on the basis of S&P's short-term rating of "A-1" shall mature not later than thirty (30) days after the date of purchase. Eligible Investments may include those Eligible Investments with respect to which the Trustee or its Affiliates provide services.

"Equity Portfolio Collateral": Any security (or any other right, interest or property or securities entitlement) which does not entitle the holder thereof to receive periodic payments of interest no less frequently than semiannually and one or more installments of principal, in cash and sufficient to retire in full the stated principal amount thereof on the stated maturity date therefor; *provided, however*, that such definition will not include warrants, profit participations or similar equity-based rights that are a component of a Unit to the extent that the Aggregate Principal Amount of Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate with a warrant, profit participation or similar equity-based right attached thereto as a component of a Unit does not exceed 10% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Pledged Securities in the Trust Estate.

"ERISA": The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended from time to time.

"Euroclear": Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of The Euroclear System, and any successor thereto.

"Event of Default": The meaning specified herein under "Legal Structure—The Indenture—Events of Default."

"Exchange Act": The United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

"Exchange Date": As defined under "Description of the Notes—Form, Transfer and Transfer Restrictions."

"Exchange Offer": With respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral, (i) an offer by the issuer of such item of Portfolio Collateral or by any other Person made to all holders of such item of Portfolio Collateral to exchange such item of Portfolio Collateral held by them for an item of Equity Portfolio Collateral or other debt instruments that do not otherwise satisfy the definition of Portfolio Collateral or (ii) any solicitation by such issuer or other Person to amend, modify or waive any provision of such item of Portfolio Collateral or of the related Underlying Instrument, the effect of which would be to convert such item of Portfolio Collateral into an item of Equity Portfolio Collateral or other debt instruments that do not otherwise satisfy the definition of Portfolio Collateral.

"Expected Maturity Date": With respect to the Class X Notes, the Payment Date occurring in August 2013.

"Expense Reimbursement Account": An account maintained by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer into which U.S. \$50,000 will be deposited on the Closing Date for the purpose of paying Issuer Base Administrative Expenses which are paid between Payment Dates when they are due and payable during such time.

"Extended Final Maturity Date": Shall mean, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Final Maturity Date (or, in the case of the First Extended Final Maturity Date, the Payment Date in August 2025).

"Extended Revolving Period End Date": As defined under "Confidential Offering Circular Summary—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date."

"Extended Weighted Average Life Date": As defined under "Confidential Offering Circular Summary—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date."

"Extension": Shall mean an extension of the Revolving Period, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test in accordance with the Indenture.

"Extension Bonus Payment": Shall mean, with respect to each Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable Noteholder set forth in "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date" in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Class A-1LA Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class A-1LB Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (3) in the case of the Class A-2L Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Date, (4) in the case of the Class A-3L Notes, 0.50% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable

Extension Effective Date, (5) in the case of the Class A-4L Notes, 0.50% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, and (6) in the case of the Class B-1L Notes, 0.50% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

"Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification": Shall mean, with respect to each Maturity Extension and each beneficial owner of Notes other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such beneficial owner acceptable to the Issuer to the effect that it held Notes other than Extension Sale Securities on the applicable Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof and wire transfer instructions for the Extension Bonus Payment and any required documentation thereunder.

"Extension Conditions": As defined under "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date."

"Extension Determination Date": Shall mean the 8th Business Day prior to each Extension Effective Date.

"Extension Effective Date": As defined under "Confidential Offering Circular Summary—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date."

"Extension Notice": As defined under "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date."

"Extension Purchase Price": Shall mean the purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with each Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest as of the applicable Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), (ii) in the case of the Preferred Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preferred Shares since the Closing Date would cause such Preferred Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) an Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a "Payment Date" under the Indenture); *provided, however, that* if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received an Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Preferred Shares shall be zero.

"Extension Qualifying Purchasers": Shall mean the Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided that* in the event the Servicer elects not to purchase Securities from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date"; "Extension Qualifying Purchasers" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; *provided, however, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.*

"Extension Sale Notice": As defined under "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date."

"Extension Sale Notice Period": As defined under "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date."

"Extension Sale Securities": As defined under "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date."

"Final Maturity Date": With respect to the Notes (other than the Class X Notes) the Payment Date occurring in August 2021 and with respect to the Class X Notes, the Payment Date occurring in August 2013 or such earlier date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Notes, is paid in full, including in connection with an Optional Redemption; *provided that* the "Final Maturity Date" with respect to the Notes (other than the Class X Notes) will be extended to the applicable Extended Final Maturity Date upon the occurrence of a Maturity Extension.

"Fitch": Fitch Ratings or any successor thereto.

"Fixed Rate Collateral": An item of Portfolio Collateral that bears interest at a fixed rate.

"Floating Rate Collateral": An item of Portfolio Collateral that bears interest at a floating rate.

"Form-Approved Synthetic Security": A Synthetic Security (a)(i) the Reference Obligation of which would be eligible for purchase by the Issuer as an item of Portfolio Collateral without any required action by the Rating Agencies or for which each of the Rating Agencies has confirmed in writing that the use of which would not result in a reduction or withdrawal of the then-current rating of any Class of Notes or (ii) the Reference Obligation of which would satisfy clause (i) but for the currency in which it is payable and such Synthetic Security is payable in U.S. dollars, does not provide for physical settlement and does not expose the Issuer to currency risk, (b) the documentation of which conforms (but for the amount and timing of periodic payments, the name of the Reference Obligation, the notional amount, the effective date, the termination date and other similarly necessary changes) to a form in respect of which each of the Rating Agencies has confirmed in writing that the use of which would not result in a reduction or withdrawal of the then-current rating of any Class of Notes was previously obtained, (c) which provides that any "credit event" thereunder shall not include restructuring (other than modified restructuring as defined in the 2003 ISDA Credit Derivative Definitions), repudiation, moratorium, obligation default or obligation acceleration unless such Synthetic Security may be settled only through a physical settlement of a deliverable obligation to the Issuer and not in cash, (d) which has been certified in writing by the Servicer to the Trustee and the Issuer as meeting the requirements of this definition and (e) for which the Issuer has provided S&P and Moody's notice of the purchase of such Synthetic Security no less than five Business Days prior to such purchase; *provided* that Moody's or S&P may revoke its consent to a Form-Approved Synthetic Security upon 30 days' written notice to the Trustee and the Issuer.

"Global Note": Rule 144A Global Notes, together with Regulation S Global Notes.

"Group A Country": Australia, Canada, the United Kingdom, the Federal Republic of Germany or The Netherlands (so long as the U.S. dollar denominated sovereign debt obligations of such jurisdiction are rated at least "Aa2" by Moody's and the foreign currency issuer credit rating assigned by S&P to such jurisdiction is at least "AA" and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications)).

"Group B Country": Austria, Belgium, Bermuda, Denmark, Finland, France, Ireland, Italy, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden or Switzerland or any other member state of the European Union (as of the Closing Date) identified from time to time by the Servicer and subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency with respect thereto (so long as the U.S. dollar denominated sovereign debt obligations of such jurisdiction are rated at least "Aa2" by Moody's and the foreign currency issuer credit rating assigned by S&P to such jurisdiction is at least "AA" and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications)).

"HFP": Highland Financial Partners, L.P., or an affiliate or subsidiary thereof, in each case, an affiliate of the Servicer.

"HFP Shares": Preferred Shares beneficially owned or controlled by HFP.

"Highland": Highland Capital Management, L.P.

"Holder" and "Noteholder": The Person in whose name a Note is registered in the Note Register or in whose name a Preferred Share is registered in the Preferred Share Register.

"Indenture": The Indenture to be dated as of May 10, 2006 among the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as trustee and as securities intermediary, pursuant to which the Notes will be issued, as it may be amended or supplemented from time to time.

"Initial Consent Period": Shall mean the period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee provided notice of a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of any Notes or Preferred Shares.

"Initial Deposit Account": An account maintained by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer into which the cash constituting the Deposit will be deposited on the Closing Date pending use to purchase additional Original Portfolio Collateral.

"Initial Deposit Redemption": A redemption of the Class X Notes and the Class A-1LA Notes as described under "Description of the Notes—Initial Deposit Redemption."

"Initial Deposit Redemption Date": The November 2006 Payment Date.

"Initial Portfolio Collateral" : The Portfolio Collateral that, in the case of CLO Securities, will be purchased on or prior to the Closing Date and, in the case of Portfolio Loans, will be purchased on or before the Closing Date or identified by the Issuer and for which commitments will be entered into on or prior to the Closing Date for purchase on or as soon as practicable after (not scheduled to exceed sixty (60) days after) the Closing Date with the net proceeds from the sale of the Notes and the net proceeds from the sale of the Preferred Shares on the Closing Date, which Initial Portfolio Collateral is set forth in the Indenture.

"Initial Portfolio Collateral Amount": U.S.\$765,000,000 (or such larger Aggregate Principal Amount of Portfolio Collateral as may be purchased on or before the Closing Date by the Issuer).

"Initial Purchaser": Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc.

"Insured Notes": As described under "Description of the Notes—Option to Acquire Bond Insurance."

"Interest Coverage Ratio": As described under "Description of the Notes—Interest Coverage Test".

"Interest Coverage Test": A test which is applicable on each Payment Date after the second Payment Date and will be satisfied as of such determination date if the Interest Coverage Ratio will be at least 1.5%.

"Internal Rate of Return": With respect to any Payment Date, the annualized discount rate at which the sum of the discounted values of the following cashflows is equal to zero, assuming discounting on a quarterly basis as of each Payment Date: (1) the Notional Amount of the Preferred Shares (which amount will be deemed to be negative for purposes of this calculation), (2) each distribution of Collateral Interest Collections made to the holders of the Preferred Shares on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Internal Rate of Return, such Payment Date and (3) each distribution of Collateral Principal Collections made to the holders of the Preferred Shares on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Internal Rate of Return, such Payment Date.

"Investment Company Act": The United States Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended from time to time.

"Investor Corp.": Rockwall Investors Corp., a Cayman Islands limited liability company, which will hold all of the Class I Preferred Shares, and which will issue its preferred shares to third party investors.

"Irish Paying Agent": RSM Robson Rhodes LLP, or any successors thereto.

"Issuer": Rockwall CDO Ltd., an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands.

"Issuer Base Administrative Expenses": With respect to any Payment Date, the administrative expenses paid or payable by the Issuer during the applicable Due Period, including, without limitation, taxes, government fees, indemnities, registered office fees and expenses for third party loan pricing services and accountants, if any, in the following order: (i) *pro rata*, taxes of the Co-Issuers, surveillance fees, shadow rating fees and credit estimate fees, if any, of the Rating Agencies; fees due to any Listing and Paying Agent; fees due to any stock exchange on which any Class of the Notes or the Preferred Shares are listed; governmental fees, registered office fees and any other fees which are deemed necessary by the Servicer for administration of the Trust Estate, and (ii) *pro rata*



reimbursement of expenses (including indemnities) of the Servicer required to be paid pursuant to the Servicing Agreement; and all expenses of the Administrator, the Listing and Paying Agent, the Securities Intermediary (if not the same person as the Trustee), the accountants, any fiscal agent retained in connection with the issuance of income notes, if any, in which the primary collateral for such income notes are obligations of the Issuer, any expenses of Investor Corp. and all other administrative expenses of the Co-Issuers, each as determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date and as set forth in the related Note Valuation Report.

"Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses": With respect to any Payment Date, (i) the administrative expenses (including indemnities) or other amounts paid or payable by the Issuer during the applicable Due Period, as determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date and as set forth in the related Note Valuation Report, in excess of the amount of the Issuer Base Administrative Expenses for the corresponding period, (ii) the Trustee's administrative expenses for the Due Period relating to such Payment Date in excess of the amount provided for in the definition of Trustee Administrative Expenses and (iii) Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses for the Due Period relating to such Payment Date in excess of the amount provided for in clause (B) under "Description of the Notes—Adjusted Collateral Collections."

"LIBOR": For any Periodic Interest Accrual Period, the London interbank offered rate for three-month U.S. dollar deposits as determined by the Calculation Agent as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions" herein. LIBOR for the initial Periodic Interest Accrual Period will be determined through the use of straight-line interpolation by reference to two rates calculated in accordance with the provisions above, one of which shall be for five-month U.S. dollar deposits and the other of which shall be for six-month U.S. dollar deposits.

"LIBOR Determination Date": The second London Business Day prior to the commencement of a Periodic Interest Accrual Period.

"Loan Funding Account": An account maintained by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer into which the Issuer will be required to remit the full amount of the Issuer's commitment to make or otherwise fund draws related to any Delayed Drawdown Loans and Revolving Loans in the Portfolio Collateral.

"London Business Day": Any day on which dealings in deposits in U.S. dollars are transacted in the London interbank market.

"Majority": With respect to the Notes, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Outstanding Notes, voting as a single class; *provided* that upon the occurrence of a Default or an Event of Default under the Indenture, "Majority" shall mean the Holders of more than 50% of the Controlling Class, voting together as a single class. With respect to the Preferred Shares, the Holders of more than 50% of the Preferred Shares.

"Mandatory Redemption": An O/C Redemption or a Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption.

"Market Value": On any date of determination with respect to an item of Portfolio Collateral, any of:

(a) the average of the bid-side prices for the purchase of such item of Portfolio Collateral determined by an Approved Pricing Service that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (independent from the Servicer); or

(b) the arithmetic average of bid-side quotations for the purchase of such item of Portfolio Collateral obtained by the Servicer from three or more broker-dealers (*provided* if upon reasonable efforts of the Servicer, quotations from three broker-dealers are not available, the lower of the quotations from two broker-dealers may be used), in each case, independent from the Servicer, in the relevant market; *provided* that one such bid must be from a broker-dealer other than Bear Stearns or an Affiliate of Bear Stearns and any bid received from Bear Stearns or an Affiliate of Bear Stearns hereunder cannot be more than 10% higher than the next highest bid; and

(c) if the determinations of the broker-dealers specified in the foregoing clauses (a) or (b) are not available (as reasonably determined by the Servicer) and so long as the Servicer is subject to the Investment Advisors Act of 1940, as amended, the bid-side market value of such item of Portfolio Collateral as certified by the Servicer as consistent with reasonable and customary market practice; *provided*, that, as of any date of determination (x) no more than 5.0% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of Portfolio Collateral may have market values determined in the manner provided in this clause (c) and (y) if the item of Portfolio Collateral constitutes collateral for any other issuer or account managed by the Servicer or its Affiliates, the Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral determined pursuant to this clause (c) shall be consistent with the market value applied by the Servicer or its Affiliates for such item of Portfolio Collateral for such for such other issuers or accounts; and

(d) if the market value cannot be determined in the manner described in clause (a), (b) or (c) above, an amount equal to the Principal Balance of the Portfolio Collateral as of such date multiplied by the Applicable Percentage for such item of Portfolio Collateral; *provided*, that if the market value cannot be determined in the manner described in clause (a), (b) or (c) above for more than thirty (30) Business Days immediately following any date such market value is determined pursuant to this clause (d), then the market value of such item of Portfolio Collateral shall be automatically deemed to be zero following such thirty (30) Business Day period until the market value can be determined in the manner described in clause (a), (b) or (c) above as of any date of determination;

*provided* that (A) for purposes of determining Market Value, but subject to clause (b) hereof, Bear Stearns will be deemed to be independent from the Servicer (*provided* that any quotes received from such entity will be on an arm's-length basis); (B) the Market Value of any item of Portfolio Collateral with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment to sell but has not settled will be deemed to be the agreed sales price therefor (determined exclusive of accrued interest); and (c) the Market Value is determined only for purposes of compliance with covenants, coverage tests, overcollateralization tests, or any other requirements or tests set forth herein, or the determination of redemption prices.

"Maturity Extension": As defined under "Confidential Offering Circular Summary—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date."

"Minimum Average Recovery Rate": As described under "Security for the Notes—Criteria for Purchase and Substitution of Collateral—Collateral Quality Matrix Tests."

"Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test": As described under "Security for the Notes—Criteria for Purchase and Substitution of Collateral—Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test."

"Moody's": Moody's Investors Service, Inc. or any successor thereto.

"Moody's Asset Correlation Test" or "MAC Test": As described under "Security for the Notes—Criteria for Purchase and Substitution of Collateral—Moody's Asset Correlation Test and Weighted Average Rating Test."

"Moody's Rating": The rating determined in accordance with the methodology described in the Indenture.

"Non-Call Period": The period beginning on the Closing Date and ending on August 1, 2010.

"Non-Consenting Holder": With respect to any supplemental indenture proposed pursuant to the Indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of the Notes or the Preferred Shares, any such Holder, or, in the case of Notes or Preferred Shares in global form, any beneficial owner, that either (i) has declared in writing that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) has not consented to such supplemental indenture within 15 Business Days from the date on which the Trustee provided notice of such proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture to such Holder or beneficial owner; *provided*, that in the case of the Non-Call Period, "Non-Consenting Holder" shall exclude any Holder of Class A-1LA Notes (unless such Holder has consented in writing to be designated as a Non-Consenting Holder) and the Amendment Buy-Out Option shall not be applicable to such Class A-1LA Notes.

"Non-U.S. Obligor": An issuer of or obligor on an item of Portfolio Collateral that is located outside the United States and is not a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor.

"Note Valuation Report": With respect to each Payment Date, the report prepared by or on behalf of the Issuer in accordance with the Indenture reflecting, among other things, the Collections made during the applicable Due Period and the distributions to be made on such Payment Date.

"Notes": The Class X Notes, the A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes.

"Notional Amount": When used with respect to the Preferred Shares as of any date of determination, \$1.00 per Preferred Share.

"O/C Redemption": The redemption of a Class or Classes of the Notes other than the Class X Notes (including, with respect to the Class B-1L Notes, the applicable Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount, as described herein) to the extent necessary such that both the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test are satisfied.

"Offer": With respect to any security, (a) any offer by the issuer of such security or by any other Person made to all of the holders of such class of security to purchase or otherwise acquire all such securities (other than pursuant to any redemption in accordance with the terms of the related Underlying Instruments) or to exchange such securities for any other security or other property or (b) any solicitation by the issuer of such security or any other Person to amend, modify or waive any provision of such security or any related Underlying Instrument.

"Optional Redemption": The redemption of the Notes, in whole or in part, at the direction of a specified amount of Preferred Shares, on any Optional Redemption Date and in accordance with the terms specified herein.

"Optional Redemption Date": The Payment Date fixed by the Issuer for an Optional Redemption which shall be no earlier than the first Payment Date occurring in August 1, 2010.

"Optional Redemption Price": With respect to each Class of Notes, an amount equal to the aggregate of (i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of such Class of Notes as of the Optional Redemption Date, (ii) the applicable Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Optional Redemption Date and (iii) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payments in respect of such Notes.

For any Partial Optional Redemption, the Optional Redemption Price shall be equal to the applicable Partial Redemption Percentage of the Optional Redemption Price that would have applied for a Total Optional Redemption occurring on the applicable Optional Redemption Date.

"Original HFP Share Amount": The amount of HFP Shares acquired by the Servicer Entities on the Closing Date.

"Original Portfolio Collateral": The Portfolio Collateral, including the Initial Portfolio Collateral, purchased by the Issuer with the Deposit on or before the Effective Date and, in the case of Portfolio Loans, which will be identified by the Issuer and for which commitments will be entered into on or prior to the Effective Date for purchase on or as soon as practicable thereafter (but not scheduled to exceed sixty (60) days thereafter).

"Outstanding": With respect to the Notes, as of the date of determination, "Outstanding" refers to all Notes theretofore authenticated and delivered under the Indenture except:

- (i) Notes theretofore canceled by the Registrar or delivered (or to be delivered pursuant to the Indenture) to the Registrar for cancellation;
- (ii) Notes or portions thereof for whose payment or redemption money in the necessary amount has been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for the Holders of such Notes; *provided* that, if such Notes or

portions thereof are to be redeemed, notice of such redemption has been duly given pursuant to the Indenture or provision therefor satisfactory to the Trustee has been made;

(iii) Notes in exchange for or in lieu of which other Notes have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to the Indenture, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Notes are held by a protected purchaser; and

(iv) Notes alleged to have been mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen for which replacement Notes have been issued as provided in the Indenture;

*provided* that, in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Principal Amount have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver under the Indenture, Notes owned by or pledged to the Issuer, the Trustee or any other obligor upon the Notes or any Affiliate of the Issuer, the Trustee or of such other obligor, and solely for purposes of termination of the Servicer, the Servicer and any Affiliate thereof, shall be disregarded and deemed not to be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying upon any such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver, only Notes that a responsible officer of the Trustee has actual knowledge to be so owned or pledged shall be so disregarded.

With respect to the Preferred Shares, as of the date of determination, "Outstanding" refers to the total aggregate amount of all Class I Preferred Shares and Class II Preferred Shares issued and outstanding as indicated in the share register of the Issuer.

"Overcollateralization Haircut Amount": With respect to any date of determination, an amount equal to the sum of:

(A) the greatest of the following:

(a) the product of (i) the applicable Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage multiplied by (ii) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all CLO Securities (other than Deferred Interest PIK Bonds and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) on such date of determination that have an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating within the CCC Rating Category;

(b) the product of (i) the applicable Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage multiplied by (ii) the excess, if any, of (x) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all CLO Securities included in the pledged Portfolio Collateral (other than Deferred Interest PIK Bonds and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) on such date of determination that have an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating within the B Rating Category or an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating within the CCC Category over (y) 5.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount as of the date of the applicable Overcollateralization Test; *provided* that at no time during the period commencing on the Closing Date through the Final Maturity Date, shall the Aggregate Principal Amount of all CLO Securities exempt from haircut based on subclause (y) above exceed in the aggregate 5% of the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount; and

(c) the product of (i) the applicable Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage multiplied by (ii) the excess, if any, of (x) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all CLO Securities included in the pledged Portfolio Collateral (other than Deferred Interest PIK Bonds and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) on such date of determination that have an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating within the BB Rating Category, the B Rating Category or the CCC Rating Category over (y) 10.25% of the Aggregate Par Amount as of the date of the applicable Overcollateralization Test; *provided* that if at the date of measurement, Portfolio Loans within the CCC Rating Category is less than 6.25% of the Aggregate Par Amount, then 10.25% will be increased by the difference between 6.25% and percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount representing Portfolio Loans in the CCC Rating Category;

*provided that* for the avoidance of doubt, for purposes of clauses (a), (b) and (c) above, the applicable Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage shall always be applied first to the lowest rated Portfolio Collateral that falls within such clause, then to the next lowest rated Portfolio Collateral, etc., so that the maximum applicable haircut shall be applied to the Portfolio Collateral;

plus

(B) the product of (i) the applicable Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage multiplied by (ii) the excess, if any, of (x) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Portfolio Loans included in the pledged Portfolio Collateral (other than Deferred Interest PIK Bonds and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) on such date of determination that have an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating within the CCC Rating Category over (y) 6.25% of the Aggregate Par Amount as of the applicable Overcollateralization Test.

"Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage": (i) With respect to CLO Securities with an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating falling within the BB Rating Category, 10%, (ii) with respect to CLO Securities with an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating falling within the B Rating Category, 20%, (iii) with respect to Portfolio Loans with an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating falling within the CCC Rating Category, the greater of (x) 30% and (y) one minus the weighted average Market Value of all Portfolio Loans with an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating falling within the CCC Rating Category and (iv) with respect to CLO Securities with an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating falling within the CCC Rating Category, 50%.

"Overcollateralization Ratio": The Class A Overcollateralization Ratio or the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio, as the context may require.

"Overcollateralization Ratio Adjustment": As described under "Description of the Notes—Overcollateralization Tests."

"Overcollateralization Tests": With respect to any date of determination, tests met when the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class A Overcollateralization Percentage and the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Percentage, each relating to such date of determination.

"Partial Deferred Interest Bonds": Any debt obligation, with respect to which a portion of the interest thereon can be partially deferred without causing a payment default of such debt obligation under its underlying documents. For purposes of calculating the Weighted Average Coupon, the portion of interest that is deferrable with respect to any Partial Deferred Interest Bond will be assumed to be zero.

"Partial Optional Redemption": An Optional Redemption in part, in accordance with the terms specified herein.

"Participation": With respect to a Portfolio Loan, a participation interest in a commercial loan purchased from a Selling Institution which does not entitle the holder thereof to direct rights against the obligor.

"Paying Agent": The Trustee, the Irish Paying Agent or any other depository institution or trust company authorized by the Co-Issuers pursuant to the Indenture to pay principal of or any interest that may become payable on any Class of Notes on behalf of the Co-Issuers.

"Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement": The Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement dated as of May 10, 2006, relating to the Preferred Shares.

"Paying and Transfer Agent": JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as Paying and Transfer Agent with respect to (i) the Preferred Shares and (ii) the preferred shares issued by Investor Corp.

"Payment Date": November 1, February 1, May 1 and August 1 of each year, commencing November 1, 2006 (or if any such date is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day).

"Payment Date Equity Securities": With respect to any Payment Date, Distributable Equity Securities that the Issuer, in its sole discretion but on the advice of the Servicer, elects to distribute in lieu of cash on such Payment Date to the Holders of Preferred Shares in accordance with the terms hereof.

"Periodic Interest": With respect to each Class of Notes, interest on such Class payable on each Payment Date and accruing during each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the Applicable Periodic Rate.

**"Periodic Interest Accrual Period":** With respect to any Payment Date, the period commencing on the prior Payment Date (or the Closing Date in the case of the first Payment Date) and ending on the day preceding such Payment Date.

**"Periodic Interest Amount":** With respect to the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB and the Class X Notes and any Payment Date, the aggregate amount of interest accrued at the Applicable Periodic Rate during the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period on (i) with respect to the first Payment Date, the daily average Aggregate Principal Amount of such Class of Notes during such Periodic Interest Accrual Period, and (ii) thereafter, the Aggregate Principal Amount of such Class of Notes on the first day of such Periodic Interest Accrual Period (after giving effect to any payment of principal of such Class of Notes on such day). With respect to each other Class of Notes and any Payment Date, the aggregate amount of interest accrued at the Applicable Periodic Rate during the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period on the Aggregate Principal Amount of such Class on the first day of such Periodic Interest Accrual Period (after giving effect to any payment of principal of such Class of Notes on such date, including in connection with a redemption of a Class of Notes on any date during the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period).

**"Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount":** With respect to each Class of Notes and any Payment Date, any shortfall or shortfalls in the payment of the Periodic Interest Amount on such Class of Notes with respect to any preceding Payment Date or Payment Dates together with interest accrued thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate (net of all Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts, if any, paid with respect to such Class of Notes prior to such Payment Date).

**"Periodic Reserve Amount":** As of any date of determination, an amount equal to the sum of (i) the Trustee Administrative Expenses and Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses payable on the next succeeding Payment Date; (ii) without duplication of amounts payable pursuant to clause (i) hereof, the Issuer Base Administrative Expenses payable on the next succeeding Payment Date; (iii) the Base Fee Amount payable on the next succeeding Payment Date; (iv) the Cumulative Interest Amount for the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L and the Class A-4L Notes and the Periodic Interest Amount for the Class B-1L Notes due on the next succeeding Payment Date; and (v) the Cumulative Class X Payment due on the next succeeding Payment Date.

**"Permanent Regulation S Global Note":** With respect to any Class, the permanent global note issued to non-U.S. Persons in exchange for the Temporary Regulation S Global Note of such Class after the Distribution Compliance Period.

**"Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor":** An issuer of or obligor on an item of Portfolio Collateral that is located in (a) a Group A Country or (b)(i) a Group B Country, (ii) any tax advantaged jurisdiction (including the Cayman Islands, Netherlands Antilles, Bermuda, Ireland, Luxembourg and the Channel Islands) or (iii) any tax advantaged jurisdiction or any tax neutral or other jurisdiction subject to Moody's and S&P confirming to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer that an immediate withdrawal, reduction or other adverse action with respect to any then current rating (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes will not occur as a result of such obligor being a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor; *provided* that, with respect to the obligors of an item of Portfolio Collateral qualifying as Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor under this clause (b)(ii), at least 80% of such obligor's underlying assets must be domiciled in the United States or another Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor jurisdiction to so qualify as a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor. For purposes of this definition, the Servicer may specify the location of a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor to be the country in which at least 80% of such obligor's underlying assets are domiciled, if such assets are domiciled in the United States or another Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor jurisdiction; *provided* that the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral as to which the Servicer so specifies the location of a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor may not exceed 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount. If the location of a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor is specified by the Servicer to be in a country other than where it is domiciled in accordance with the foregoing sentence, for purposes of the concentration limitations and collateral quality tests described herein, such item of Portfolio Collateral will be considered to be domiciled in the country so specified.

**"Person":** Any individual, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust (including any beneficiary thereof), unincorporated organization or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

"PIK Bond": Any item of Portfolio Collateral that, pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments, permits the payment of interest thereon to be deferred and capitalized or otherwise provides that interest will accrue on such deferred interest or that issues identical securities in place of payments of interest in cash.

"Pledged Securities": On any date of determination, the Portfolio Collateral and the Eligible Investments in the Trust Estate.

"Portfolio Collateral": As described under "Security for the Notes—Portfolio Collateral—General."

"Portfolio Improvement Exchange": The disposition, during the Revolving Period, of an item of Portfolio Collateral and corresponding acquisition of one or more items of Substitute Portfolio Collateral which in the aggregate will result in (i) the collateral quality tests, the Interest Coverage Test, the Overcollateralization Tests and the other collateral criteria herein being satisfied (or bring the total Portfolio Collateral closer to compliance with any such test or limitation) or if one or more of such collateral quality tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Tests or collateral criteria is not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith would be improved and (ii) improving, on a net basis, the quality of the Portfolio Collateral as measured by such collateral quality tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Tests and collateral criteria, and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii) not causing any other collateral quality tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Tests or collateral criteria, to be violated or significantly increase the likelihood of such violation in the future.

"Portfolio Loan": Interests in commercial loans included in the Portfolio Collateral.

"Preferred Shares": The 33,200,000 Class I Preferred Shares of the Issuer, par value U.S.\$0.001 per share, and the 45,000,000 Class II Preferred Shares of the Issuer, par value U.S.\$0.001 per share, that will be issued on the Closing Date pursuant to the Issuer's Memorandum of Association and Articles of Association and any other Preferred Shares issued from time to time by the Issuer.

"Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses": With respect to any Payment Date (including without limitation the Final Maturity Date), the Paying and Transfer Agent's administrative expenses for the Due Period relating to such Payment Date.

"Premium": With respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral sold pursuant to the terms of the Indenture or called pursuant to the terms thereof, the excess of (a) the sale or call price of such item of Portfolio Collateral less any accrued interest with respect to such item of Portfolio Collateral over (b) the Aggregate Principal Amount of such item of Portfolio Collateral.

"Principal Balance": With respect to any Pledged Security, as of any date of determination, the outstanding principal amount of such Pledged Security, *provided* that (i) unless otherwise stated herein or in the Indenture, the "Principal Balance" of any Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan shall refer to the sum of the outstanding aggregate principal amount of such Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan *plus* the amount of the unfunded portion of the Issuer's commitment to make or otherwise fund advances related thereto (to the extent, and without duplication, of amounts on deposit in the Loan Funding Account available to fund such advances), (ii) the "Principal Balance" of any Synthetic Security shall be equal to (a) in the case of any Synthetic Security other than a Default Swap, the outstanding principal amount of the Reference Obligation or the notional amount of the Synthetic Security related thereto and (b) in the case of any Default Swap, the cash and the principal amount of the securities in the related Default Swap Collateral Account reduced by the amount of any payments due and payable to the Default Swap Counterparty by reason of the occurrence of one or more "credit events" or other similar circumstances to the extent such payments have not yet been made; and (iii) with respect to any item of Equity Portfolio Collateral, the "Principal Balance" shall equal zero.

"Priority of Payments": The priority of payments described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions" in this Confidential Offering Circular.

"Proposed Portfolio": As described under "Security for the Notes—S&P CDO Monitor Test."

"Purchase Agreement": The Purchase Agreement, dated the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the purchaser of the Notes identified therein.

"Purchased Accrued Interest": Interest accrued on or purchased with respect to an item of Portfolio Collateral as part of the price paid by the Issuer to acquire such item of Portfolio Collateral less any amount of Collateral Interest Collections applied by the Issuer to acquire such accrued interest at the time of purchase; *provided* that for the purchase of certain CLO Securities as of the Closing Date, such accrued interest purchased in connection therewith will not be considered Purchased Accrued Interest as set forth in the Indenture.

"Qualified Institutional Buyer": A "qualified institutional buyer" as defined in Rule 144A(a)(1) promulgated under the Securities Act.

"Qualified Purchaser": A "qualified purchaser" as defined in Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act.

"Quarterly Collateral Amount": Shall mean, with respect to any Due Period, the average of (i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of Portfolio Collateral on the first day of such Due Period and (ii) the Aggregate Principal Amount of Portfolio Collateral on the last day of such Due Period. For purposes of such amounts, Equity Portfolio Collateral and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral shall be excluded in calculating the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral.

"Rating Agencies": S&P and Moody's, collectively.

"Rating Condition": With respect to any Rating Agency and any action proposed to be taken under the Indenture, a condition that is satisfied when such Rating Agency has confirmed in writing to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer that no withdrawal, reduction or suspension with respect to any then current rating, if any, by such Rating Agency (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes will occur as a result of such proposed action.

"Rating Confirmation": Written confirmation from each of the Rating Agencies that it has not reduced or withdrawn (and not restored) the rating assigned by it on the Closing Date to any Class of Notes.

"Rating Confirmation Failure": A failure to obtain Rating Confirmation by the 35th day after the Effective Date (or if such day is not a Business Day, the succeeding Business Day).

"Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption": The redemption of a Class or Classes of Notes, as a result of a Rating Confirmation Failure.

"Record Date": With respect to any Payment Date, the Business Day immediately preceding such Payment Date; *provided, however*, that if any Definitive Notes are issued, the Record Date for such Definitive Notes shall be the fifteenth day of the calendar month preceding the month in which such Payment Date occurs.

"Reference Banks": Four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer).

"Reference Obligation": A security or other debt obligation that satisfies the definition of Portfolio Collateral other than as to payment terms; *provided that* notwithstanding the definition thereof, a Reference Obligation may be a loan (but not a participation interest in a loan, except as permitted in the Indenture).

"Reference Obligor": The obligor under a Reference Obligation.

"Registrar": The Trustee.



"Regulation S Global Notes": Temporary Regulation S Global Notes, together with the Permanent Regulation S Global Notes.

"Relevant Date": As used in the Indenture, when referring to Initial Portfolio Collateral pledged to the Trustee on the Closing Date, the Closing Date and when referring to Portfolio Collateral pledged after the Closing Date, the date of such pledge.

"Required Portfolio Collateral Amount": U.S.\$850,000,000.

"Requisite Noteholders": The Holders of at least 60% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Outstanding Notes (voting as a single class); *provided* that following the occurrence of a Default or an Event of Default under the Indenture, "Requisite Noteholders" shall mean 60% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Controlling Class, voting together as a single class. If the Person that is acting as Trustee under the Indenture is a Holder of any Note for its own account, such Person shall be excluded as a Holder for purposes of this definition in connection with the consent or approval by Noteholders of any supplemental indenture affecting the provisions thereof relating to the Trustee.

"Reserve Account": An account maintained by the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders and the other secured parties under the Indenture, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal at the direction of the Servicer.

"Reserve Amount": A portion of the proceeds from the sale of the Notes in an amount equal to US\$1,600,000 to fund a portion of the payments to be made on any Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments, or to otherwise fund any payments of interest or principal on the Notes at the direction and the sole discretion of the Servicer.

"Reset Debt Security": An item of Portfolio Collateral bearing a rate of interest that varies periodically (including, without limitation, daily) which at the time of its inclusion in the Trust Estate has a minimum rate of interest of at least 5.0% *per annum* with respect to Fixed Rate Collateral or Collateral LIBOR with respect to Floating Rate Collateral, and which minimum interest rate is not subject to adjustment on and after its inclusion in the Trust Estate, pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instrument, to a rate of interest which is lower than the rate of interest borne by such item of Portfolio Collateral on the date that such item of Portfolio Collateral was included in the Trust Estate.

"Retained Accrued Interest": Any accrued and unpaid interest with respect to any Portfolio Collateral which was not included in the purchase price for such collateral at the time of purchase.

"Revolving Loan": A Portfolio Loan that, pursuant to the Underlying Instrument or Underlying Loan and Security Agreement that governs the rights and obligations of the parties thereto, would obligate the Issuer, if the Issuer were to purchase such Portfolio Loan for inclusion in the Trust Estate, to make or otherwise fund one or more future advances to the related borrower and meets the criteria described under "Security for the Notes—Criteria for Purchase and Substitution of Collateral."

"Revolving Period": The period beginning on the Closing Date and ending on the earliest of (i) August 1, 2011 for Portfolio Loans or August 1, 2009 for CLO Securities or, in the case of an Extension, the Extended Revolving Period End Date; *provided* that Portfolio Loans and CLO Securities may be purchased for the full period of any such Extension, and (ii) the occurrence and continuance of an Event of Default; *provided* that in no event shall date of termination of the Revolving Period be determined on the basis of the Market Value of the Portfolio Collateral.

"Rule 144A Global Note": With respect to any Class, the permanent global note issued to U.S. Persons.

"Rule 3a-7": Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act.

"S&P": Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw Hill Companies, Inc. or any successor thereto.

"S&P Break-Even Default Rate": As described under "Security for the Notes—S&P CDO Monitor Test."

"S&P CDO Monitor": As described under "Security for the Notes—S&P CDO Monitor Test."

"S&P CDO Monitor Test": As described under "Security for the Notes—S&P CDO Monitor Test."

"S&P Loss Differential": As described under "Security for the Notes—S&P CDO Monitor Test."

"S&P Rating": The rating determined in accordance with the methodology described in the Indenture.

"S&P Scenario Default Rate": As described under "Security for the Notes—S&P CDO Monitor Test."

"Sale Restriction Condition": As defined under "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral."

"Scheduled Distribution": With respect to any Pledged Security, for each due date after the date of determination, the scheduled payment of principal and/or interest due on such due date with respect to such Pledged Security, determined in accordance with the assumptions set forth in the Indenture.

"Securities": The Notes and the Preferred Shares, collectively.

"Securities Act": The United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

"Selling Institution": The seller of a Participation or, if applicable, its guarantor, which has a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A2" by Moody's and at least "A" by S&P at the time such Participation is committed to be acquired by the Issuer.

"Senior Class A Notes": The Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB and the Class A-2L Notes.

"Senior Class A Overcollateralization Ratio": With respect to a determination made as of any date of calculation, the ratio (expressed as a percentage) obtained by dividing (a) the sum of (1) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate (other than items of Equity Portfolio Collateral, which shall not be included as Portfolio Collateral) as of such date, *plus* (2) the sum of the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Collection Account representing Collateral Principal Collections *plus* the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Initial Deposit Account *plus* unpaid Purchased Accrued Interest, each as of such date by (b) the sum of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Senior Class A-1L Notes (including for this purpose any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts with respect to such Class of Notes not paid when due, until such amounts, if any, are paid in full) as of such date.

"Senior Secured Loan": A loan that (i) is not (and by its terms is not permitted to become) subordinate in right of payment to any other debt for borrowed money incurred by the obligor under such loan and (ii) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under such Senior Secured Loan, which security interest or lien is not subordinate to the security interest or lien securing any other debt for borrowed money.

"Servicer": Highland Capital Management, L.P., until a successor Person becomes the manager pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement, and thereafter "Servicer" shall mean such successor Person.

"Servicer Entities": Collectively, the Servicer, entities affiliated with the Servicer or clients of the Servicer.

"Servicing Agreement": The Servicing Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Servicer, and if amended as permitted therein and in the Indenture, as so amended.

"Servicing Fee Portion": 100% minus (a) for any Payment Date prior to the two-year anniversary of the Closing Date, the Class II Preferred Share Percentage for such Payment Date and (b) for any other Payment Date, a percentage selected by the Servicer in its sole discretion.

"Special Redemption": As described under "Description of the Notes—Special Redemption."

"Substitute Portfolio Collateral": An item of Portfolio Collateral that is purchased by the Trustee as security for the Notes as described herein with the proceeds of the sale of other Portfolio Collateral.

"Supplemental Fee Amount": As described under "The Servicing Agreement—Compensation."

"Supplemental Servicing Fee": For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Supplemental Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (b) the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date.

"Suspension Trigger Event": As of any date of determination, (I) the ratio (expressed as a percentage) obtained by dividing (a) the sum of (1) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate as of such date, calculated in accordance with the Overcollateralization Ratio Adjustment less the Overcollateralization Haircut Amount, if any, plus (2) the sum of the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Collection Account, representing Collateral Principal Collections plus the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Initial Deposit Account plus unpaid Purchased Accrued Interest, each as of such date by (b) the sum of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes (including for this purpose any unpaid Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts with respect to such Classes of Notes not paid when due, until such amounts, if any, are paid in full) as of such date, is than (II) 110%.

"Synthetic Security": Any (I) U.S. dollar denominated swap transaction, security issued by a trust or similar vehicle or other asset purchased from or entered into by the Issuer with a Synthetic Security Counterparty the returns on which (as determined by the Servicer) are linked to the credit performance of a Reference Obligation, but which may provide for a different maturity, payment dates or interest rate or interest rate basis than such Reference Obligation; *provided* that, either (A) (i) such Synthetic Security will not require the Issuer to make any payment to the Synthetic Security Counterparty after the initial purchase thereof by the Issuer, (ii) the ownership of such Synthetic Security, based on the Servicer's determination (which may include consultation with counsel to the Issuer), is not expected to subject the Issuer to withholding tax, (iii) such Synthetic Security terminates on or prior to the redemption or repayment in full of the Reference Obligation, (iv) the principal amount of such Synthetic Security is equal to the principal amount of the Reference Obligation, (v) all scheduled payments made pursuant to the terms of such Synthetic Security are at a fixed or floating interest rate based on an interest rate used for borrowings or financings in domestic or international markets or are linked to the payments on one or more Reference Obligations (which payments are themselves at a fixed interest rate or such floating rate), (vi) the minimum coupon on such Synthetic Security is 6.0%, if such Synthetic Security is fixed rate, (vii) the minimum margin on such Synthetic Security is 0.60%, if such Synthetic Security is floating rate, (viii) the terms of such Synthetic Security provide that upon maturity, acceleration or any early termination of such Synthetic Security, the Synthetic Security Counterparty of such Synthetic Security must deliver the Reference Obligation or an amount greater than or equal to the then par amount of the Reference Obligation, except (a) the Issuer may accept an amount equal to the fair market value of the Reference Obligation if the Servicer chooses to terminate such Synthetic Security in connection with the sale of such Synthetic Security as Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, Defaulted Portfolio Collateral or Equity Portfolio Collateral or pursuant to the right of the Issuer to sell Portfolio Collateral which is not Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, Defaulted Portfolio Collateral or Equity Portfolio Collateral or (b) following a credit event with respect to the Reference Obligation, the Issuer may accept an amount equal to the fair market value of such Reference Obligation; *provided*, however, that this clause (viii) shall not apply to an acceleration or early termination upon the exercise of any put or call provision of the Synthetic Security or any Reference Obligation, (ix) upon the exercise of any put or call provision of the Synthetic Security or any Reference Obligation, the holder of such Synthetic Security will receive a Reference Obligation or an amount greater than or equal to the par amount of such Reference Obligation, plus, if the Reference Obligation is a bond, accrued interest, (x) such Synthetic Security will not constitute a commodity option, leverage transaction or futures contract that is subject to the jurisdiction of the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission, (xi) the acquisition of such Synthetic Security would not cause the Issuer to be "engaged in a U.S. trade or business" for Federal income tax purposes or otherwise to become subject to U.S.

corporate net income tax, (xii) the Underlying Instrument with respect to such Synthetic Security is governed by the laws of the State of New York, contains a non-petition clause and a limited recourse clause, each as against the Issuer, and is documented with a standard ISDA form master agreement, as modified by appropriate schedules and confirmations and (xiii) total payments including termination payments may not exceed the notional amount of such Synthetic Security; *provided* that if any Reference Obligation delivered pursuant to any Synthetic Security does not constitute Portfolio Collateral and would cause a breach of any concentration limitation, such Reference Obligation shall be deemed Equity Portfolio Collateral, and (B) (i) such Synthetic Security is a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or (ii) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the purchase of such Synthetic Security; *provided* further, that any Synthetic Security shall be positively indexed to the related Reference Obligation on no more than a one-to-one basis and (II) any Default Swap.

"Synthetic Security Counterparty": An entity which is required to make payments to the Issuer on a Synthetic Security to the extent that the issuer of the related Reference Obligation makes payments thereon pursuant to the terms of such Synthetic Security and any Default Swap Counterparty.

"Tax Event Redemption": As defined under "Description of the Notes—Tax Event Redemption."

"Tax Event Redemption Price": With respect to each Class of Notes an amount equal to the aggregate of (i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Notes as of the Tax Event Redemption Date and (ii) the applicable Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to each Class of Notes as of the Tax Event Redemption Date.

"Temporary Regulation S Global Note": With respect to any Class, the temporary global note issued to non-U.S. Persons in Offshore Transactions (as defined in Regulation S) in reliance on Regulation S.

"Total Optional Redemption": An Optional Redemption in whole, in accordance with the terms specified herein.

"Trust Estate": All money, instruments and other property and rights subject or intended to be subject to the lien of the Indenture including all proceeds thereof, including the Portfolio Collateral and the Accounts (subject to the prior lien of the related Default Swap Counterparty to each Default Swap Collateral Account and subject to the rights of the Default Swap Counterparty in the Default Swap Issuer Account).

"Trustee": JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as trustee under the Indenture.

"Trustee Administrative Expenses": With respect to any Payment Date (including without limitation the Final Maturity Date), fees, expenses or other amounts due or accrued and payable to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture, including fees and expenses pursuant to duties performed as collateral administrator and Paying and Transfer Agent and as paying and transfer agent of Investor Corp., *provided* such payment shall not exceed on such Payment Date one-quarter of 0.0275% of the Aggregate Par Amount as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date (such amount subject to a minimum of \$74,000 *per annum*), *plus* \$7,500 *per annum* for payments of expenses and certain other amounts specified in the Indenture.

"Underlying Instrument": With respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral, any loan participation agreement, loan assignment agreement, indenture, pooling and servicing agreement, trust agreement, instrument, or other agreement pursuant to which such item of Portfolio Collateral has been created or issued or of which the holders of such item of Portfolio Collateral are the beneficiaries, and any instrument evidencing or constituting such item of Portfolio Collateral (in the case of Portfolio Collateral evidenced by or in the form of instruments).

"Underlying Loan and Security Agreement": Any agreement (other than an Underlying Instrument) which governs the terms of or guarantees or secures the obligations represented by any Portfolio Collateral or of which the holders of such Portfolio Collateral are the beneficiaries (which in the case of a Portfolio Loan which is a Participation shall include the loan and security documentation with respect to the underlying loan).

"Unit": An item of Portfolio Collateral with a warrant, profit participation or other equity-based feature (including but not limited to convertible bonds) included as a component thereof which otherwise meets the

requirements for Portfolio Collateral; *provided* that (i) the value of such warrant, profit participation or other equity-based feature at the time of purchase, as determined by the Servicer in good faith, is less than 2% of the purchase price of such item of Portfolio Collateral and (ii) such warrant, profit participation or other equity-like feature at the time of purchase shall not, relate to or be exchangeable for, margin stock.

"USA PATRIOT Act": The Uniting and Strengthening America By Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001.

"Weighted Average Coupon": As described under "Security for the Notes—Weighted Average Coupon Test."

"Weighted Average Coupon Test": As described under "Security for the Notes—Weighted Average Coupon Test."

"Weighted Average Life": As described under "Security for the Notes—Weighted Average Life Requirement."

"Weighted Average Life Requirement": As described under "Security for the Notes—Weighted Average Life Requirement."

"Weighted Average Margin": As described under "Security for the Notes—Weighted Average Margin Test."

"Weighted Average Margin Test": As described under "Security for the Notes—Weighted Average Margin Test."

"Weighted Average Rating Test": As described under "Security for the Notes—Collateral Quality Matrix Tests."

No securities dealer, salesperson or other person has been authorized to give any information or to make any representation not contained in this Confidential Offering Circular and, if given or made, such information or representation must not be relied upon as been authorized by the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchaser. This Confidential Offering Circular does not constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy any of the securities offered hereby in any jurisdiction to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer in such jurisdiction. Neither the delivery of this Confidential Offering Circular nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that the information herein is correct as of any time subsequent to the date hereof or that there has been no change in the affairs of the Co-Issuers or the Portfolio Collateral.

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## ROCKWALL CDO LTD.

### ROCKWALL CDO (DELAWARE) CORP.

U.S.\$538,000,000 Class A-1LA Floating  
Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021

U.S.\$96,000,000 Class A-1LB Floating  
Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021

U.S.\$76,000,000 Class A-2L Floating  
Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021

U.S.\$36,500,000 Class A-3L Floating  
Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021

U.S.\$10,000,000 Class A-4L Floating  
Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021

U.S.\$21,000,000 Class B-1L Floating  
Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2021

U.S.\$14,000,000 Class X Floating Rate Notes Due  
August 2013

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**Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc.**

**May 8, 2006**

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**ROCKWALL CDO LTD.,**  
**Issuer**

**ROCKWALL CDO (DELAWARE) CORP.,**  
**Co-Issuer**

**and**

**JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION**  
**as Trustee and as Securities Intermediary**

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**INDENTURE**

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**Dated as of May 10, 2006**

INDENTURE, dated as of May 10, 2006, among ROCKWALL CDO LTD., an exempted limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the "Company") and, together with its permitted successors and assigns, the "Issuer"), ROCKWALL CDO (DELAWARE) CORP., a Delaware corporation (the "Co-Issuer" and, together with the Issuer, the "Co-Issuers") and JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as trustee (together with its permitted successors in the trusts hereunder, the "Trustee") and as Securities Intermediary.

### PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

The Co-Issuers are duly authorized to execute and deliver this Indenture to provide for the Notes issuable as provided in this Indenture. All representations, warranties, covenants and agreements made by the Co-Issuers herein are for the benefit and security of the Noteholders and the Trustee. The Co-Issuers are entering into this Indenture, and the Trustee is accepting the trusts created hereby, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged.

It is a condition of issuance of the Notes that the Class A-1LA Notes be rated "AAA" by Standard & Poor's and "Aaa" by Moody's, the Class X Notes be rated "AAA" by Standard & Poor's and "Aaa" by Moody's, the Class A-1LB Notes be rated "AAA" by Standard & Poor's and "Aaa" by Moody's, the Class A-2L Notes be rated at least "AA" by Standard & Poor's and at least "Aa2" by Moody's, the Class A-3L Notes be rated at least "A" by Standard & Poor's and at least "A2" by Moody's, the Class A-4L Notes be rated at least "A-" by Standard & Poor's and at least "A3" by Moody's and the Class B-1L Notes be rated at least "BBB" by Standard & Poor's and at least "Baa2" by Moody's. With respect to the Notes, such ratings by Standard & Poor's address solely the likelihood of the timely payment of the Periodic Interest Amount (which consists of interest accrued on the Aggregate Principal Amount of each applicable Class of Notes at the Applicable Periodic Rate) and the ultimate payment of the Aggregate Principal Amount in the case of the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes and the Class A-2L Notes, timely payment of Class X Payments and the ultimate payment of the Cumulative Interest Amount and the Aggregate Principal Amount in the case of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes. Such ratings by Moody's address the ultimate cash receipt of all required payments as provided by the governing documents, and are based on the expected loss to the Noteholders of each Class relative to the promise of receiving the present value of such payments. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the obligation to make any Extension Bonus Payment will not be rated by the Rating Agencies.

All things necessary to make this Indenture a valid agreement of the Co-Issuers in accordance with its terms have been done.

### GRANTING CLAUSES

The Issuer hereby Grants to the Trustee, for the benefit and security of the Holders of the Notes, the Trustee, the Paying and Transfer Agent, the Default Swap Counterparties, the Servicer, the Collateral Administrator and the Securities Intermediary (collectively, the "Secured Parties"), all of its right, title and interest, whether now owned or

hereafter acquired, in, to and under the following: (a) the Initial Portfolio Collateral listed in Schedule A to this Indenture, all payments thereon or with respect thereto, all Portfolio Collateral (including all Original Portfolio Collateral, all Additional Portfolio Collateral and all Substitute Portfolio Collateral, whether or not any of the same may become at any time or times Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, Equity Portfolio Collateral or Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral) which may be delivered to the Trustee in the future and all payments thereon or with respect thereto, (b) the Issuer's rights, remedies, powers, privileges and claims under or with respect to the Servicing Agreement as set forth in Article XIV hereof, (c) the Collection Account, the Collateral Account, the Reserve Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Expense Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account, each Default Swap Collateral Account, each Default Swap Issuer Account, each Securities Lending Account, and all investment property, money, instruments and other property credited to or carried in such Accounts including, without limitation, the Eligible Investments, (d) the Default Swap Collateral, the Securities Lending Collateral, and the trust accounts described in Section 11.4 hereof, (e) all other assets of the Issuer (other than the Preferred Shares Collection Account and all funds deposited therein or credited thereto, the Issuer's share capital on account of its ordinary issued shares and any transaction fee for issuing the Notes and the Preferred Shares, each held in its account in the Cayman Islands and any interest thereon) and all other property delivered to the Trustee, (f) all accounts, general intangibles, chattel paper, instruments, documents, money, deposit accounts, goods, letters of credit, letter-of-credit rights, oil, gas, and other minerals, and investment property, consisting of, arising from, or relating to any of the foregoing, and (g) all proceeds, profits, rents, products, earnings, interest, dividends (whether in the form of cash, securities, instruments or other property) and distributions (whether of rights, options, stock, warrants, securities or other property) of or with respect to any of the foregoing; *provided that* such Grant shall not extend to any property, cash or other amounts specifically released from the lien of this Indenture or otherwise paid to the Issuer in accordance with the terms hereof; *and provided further that* the rights of each Default Swap Counterparty as a Secured Party shall be limited to only the related Default Swap Collateral, the related Default Swap Collateral Account, and the property credited thereto. The collateral described in the preceding sentence is referred to as the "Trust Estate." Such Grant is made, however, in trust, to secure the Notes equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction, except as expressly provided in this Indenture, between any Note and any other Note by reason of difference in time of issuance or otherwise, and to secure in accordance with the priorities set forth in this Indenture (i) the payment of all amounts due on the Notes in accordance with their terms, (ii) the payment of all other sums payable under this Indenture and all amounts payable to the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, and (iii) compliance with the provisions of this Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, all as provided in this Indenture.

The Trustee acknowledges such Grant, accepts the trusts hereunder and agrees to perform the duties herein in accordance with the provisions hereof.

## ARTICLE I

### DEFINITIONS

#### Section 1.1. Definitions

Except as otherwise specified herein or as the context may otherwise require, the following terms have the respective meanings set forth below for all purposes of this Indenture, and the definitions of such terms are equally applicable both to the singular and plural forms of such terms and, where applicable, to the masculine, feminine and neuter genders of such terms. Whenever any reference is made to an amount the determination of which is governed by Section 1.3 hereof, the provisions of Section 1.3 hereof shall be applicable to such determination or calculation, whether or not reference is specifically made to Section 1.3 hereof, unless some other method of calculation or determination is expressly specified in the particular provisions.

"Account Income": Any interest or other earnings on funds in the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account or the Expense Reimbursement Account.

"Accounts": The meaning specified in Section 10.2 hereof.

"Accrued Interest on Sale": Interest accrued on an item of Portfolio Collateral at the time of sale or other disposition to the extent paid to the Issuer as part of the sale or other disposition price of such item of Portfolio Collateral after deducting amounts representing Purchased Accrued Interest on such item of Portfolio Collateral.

"Accountants' Certificate": A certificate of a firm of Independent certified public accountants of national reputation in the United States of America appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.6(a) hereof.

"Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement": With respect to each Payment Date after the second Payment Date, the amount necessary such that (a) the sum of: (i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date, plus (ii) the sum of the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Collection Account representing Collateral Principal Collections *plus* the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Initial Deposit Account *plus* unpaid Purchased Accrued Interest as of such date, less (iii) the Overcollateralization Haircut Amount (if any), equals or exceeds: (b) 107.00% of the amount necessary, after giving effect to the amount applied to any O/C Redemption of the Notes (other than the Class X Notes) to satisfy the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test (if applicable) on such Payment Date, to repay the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Note (other than the Class X Notes), including any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement is a positive number that is more than the amount available therefore in the priority of distributions set forth in Section 11.1, then the amount distributed with respect to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirements shall be such lesser amount available.

For purposes of the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement, no item of Equity Portfolio Collateral shall be included as Portfolio Collateral. In addition for purposes of this

requirement, (i) with respect to Defaulted Portfolio Collateral as to which there has occurred a payment default or an event of bankruptcy, only the portion equal to the lesser of (a) the Market Value of such item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and (b) the Applicable Percentage multiplied by the Principal Balance of such item of Portfolio Collateral, shall be included as Portfolio Collateral and (ii) with respect to items of Discount Portfolio Collateral, only an amount equal to the original purchase price of such item of Discount Portfolio Collateral shall be included as Portfolio Collateral. For purposes of calculating the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement, to the extent an item of Portfolio Collateral is considered Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, Discount Portfolio Collateral and/or is included in the Overcollateralization Haircut Amount, such item of Portfolio Collateral will not be discounted multiple times, but will be treated in the category that results in the largest discount to the par amount of the Portfolio Collateral.

"Additional Fee Amount": With respect to each Due Period, an amount equal to 0.35% per annum of the Quarterly Collateral Amount, calculated on the basis of a 360-day year and the actual number of days elapsed.

"Additional Issuance": The issuance and sale of Additional Preferred Shares by the Issuer at any time during the Revolving Period, the proceeds of which (net of any fees and expenses incurred in connection with the issuance thereof, including, without limitation, compensation payable to the Initial Purchaser or any placement agent for any services provided in connection therewith) are used to purchase additional eligible Portfolio Collateral (which may include eligible Portfolio Collateral purchased from any Servicer Entity on an arms-length transaction basis); *provided* that (a) such Additional Issuance will be for an Additional Issuance Percentage; (b) such Additional Preferred Shares must be issued for a cash sales price (the net sale proceeds to be used to purchase eligible Portfolio Collateral (or, pending such application, deposited into the Collection Account and held in Eligible Investments)); (c) the terms (other than the date of issuance, the issue price, the date from which dividends will accrue and similar matters) of such Preferred Shares must be identical to the terms of the applicable Class of Preferred Shares; (d) the Holders of Preferred Shares must be notified in writing 30 days prior to such issuance; (e) the Servicer must consent to such Additional Issuance; and (f) Initial Purchaser must be notified in writing at least 30 days prior to such issuance.

"Additional Issuance Percentage": With respect to any Additional Issuance, a percentage specified by the Servicer of the original issue price of the Preferred Shares issued and Outstanding on the date of such Additional Issuance.

"Additional Portfolio Collateral": Any and all items of Portfolio Collateral which are purchased pursuant to Section 11.3 hereof with Collections (other than Collateral Disposition Proceeds).

"Additional Preferred Shares": Any additional Preferred Shares issued after the Closing Date in accordance with the applicable terms hereof and the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement.

"Additional Servicing Fee": For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the sum of (a) product of (i) the Additional Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (ii) the Servicing Fee

Portion for such Payment Date plus (b) on any Payment Date that any part of the Base Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, interest on such unpaid amount in an amount equal to the product of (i) LIBOR for the applicable period plus 3.0% per annum and (ii) the actual number of days in such Due Period, divided by 360 plus (c) on any Payment Date that any part of the Additional Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, such unpaid Additional Servicing Fee and interest on such unpaid amount in an amount equal to the product of (i) LIBOR for the applicable period plus 3.0% per annum and (ii) the actual number of days in such Due Period divided by 360; *provided* that in the event that the Servicer is removed or resigns, the amount of such fee accrued to the effective date of such removal or resignation will be payable to the Servicer on the next succeeding Payment Date or Payment Dates on which such amount may be paid, in accordance with Section 11.1 (provided that the payment of any fee payable pursuant to this proviso will be *pari passu* with the payment of any servicing fees to the then-current servicer).

"Adjusted Collections": With respect to any Payment Date, the sum of (i) the Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections collected during the applicable Due Period, (ii) the Adjusted Collateral Principal Collections collected during the applicable Due Period and (iii) the available funds in the Expense Reimbursement Account, as each is determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date.

"Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections": With respect to any Payment Date, the Collateral Interest Collections collected during the applicable Due Period, as determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date, *less* the sum of (i) the amount of the Collateral Interest Collections paid to the Trustee and the Paying and Transfer Agent pursuant to Section 11.1(b) hereof with respect to such Payment Date, (ii) the amount of the Collateral Interest Collections paid to the Issuer or deposited in the Expense Reimbursement Account pursuant to Section 11.1(b) hereof with respect to such Payment Date, (iii) the amount of the Collateral Interest Collections paid to the Servicer pursuant to Section 11.1(b) hereof with respect to such Payment Date and (iv) during any time prior to the Final Maturity Date, any Collateral Interest Collections attributable to the Collateral Purchase Amount held in the Collection Account pending application to purchase Portfolio Collateral.

"Adjusted Collateral Principal Collections": With respect to any Payment Date, the Collateral Principal Collections collected during the applicable Due Period, as determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date, *less* the sum of (i) the amount of the Collateral Principal Collections paid to the Trustee and the Paying and Transfer Agent pursuant to Section 11.1(b) hereof with respect to such Payment Date, (ii) the amount of Collateral Principal Collections paid to the Issuer or deposited in the Expense Reimbursement Account pursuant to Section 11.1(b) hereof with respect to such Payment Date, (iii) the amount of Collateral Principal Collections paid to the Servicer pursuant to Section 11.1(b) hereof with respect to such Payment Date, (iv) any Collateral Disposition Proceeds released from the Collection Account for the purchase of Portfolio Collateral during the applicable Due Period pursuant to Section 10.2(e) hereof, and (v) during any time prior to the Final Maturity Date, any amount attributable to the Collateral Purchase Amount held in the Collection Account pending application to purchase Portfolio Collateral.

"Administration Agreement": The Administration Agreement, dated as of May 10, 2006, between the Issuer and the Administrator.

"Administrator": Maples Finance Limited, or any successor thereto appointed by the Issuer.

"Affiliate": With respect to any specified Person, any other Person controlling or controlled by or under common control with such specified Person. For the purposes of this definition, "control," when used with respect to any specified Person, means the power to direct the management and policies of such Person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise; and the terms "controlling" and "controlled" have meanings correlative to the foregoing; *provided that* (for the avoidance of doubt) the only Affiliate of the Issuer shall be the Co-Issuer and the only Affiliate of the Co-Issuer shall be the Issuer.

"Aggregate Base Fees and Expenses": For any Payment Date, the total aggregate amount of fees and expenses payable pursuant to Section 11.1(b).

"Aggregate Par Amount": With respect to any date of determination, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate, including cash and Eligible Investments representing Collateral Principal Collections on deposit in the Collection Account and the Initial Deposit Account.

"Aggregate Principal Amount": With respect to any date of determination, when used with respect to the Portfolio Collateral, the aggregate Principal Balances of such items of Portfolio Collateral on such date of determination. With respect to any date of determination, when used with respect to any Eligible Investments, the Balance of such Eligible Investments on such date of determination. When used with respect to any Note or Class of Notes, as of any date of determination, the original principal amount of such Note or Class of Notes, as applicable, reduced by all prior payments, if any, made with respect to principal of such Note. When used with respect to the Notes in the aggregate, the sum of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of the Outstanding Notes.

"Ambac": Ambac Assurance Corporation.

"Amendment Buy-Out": The purchase of all Notes and Preferred Shares of Non-Consenting Holders by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser pursuant to the exercise of the Amendment Buy-Out Option.

"Amendment Buy-Out Option": In the case of any supplemental indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of the Notes or Preferred Shares, the right (but not the obligation) of an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Notes and Preferred Shares held by such Holder whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes or Preferred Shares the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture.

"Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price": The price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Notes or Preferred Shares purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out in an amount equal to (i) in the case of Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the date of purchase payable to the Non-Consenting Holder (giving effect to all amounts paid to such Holder on such date) and plus any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment, and (ii) in the case of the Preferred Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preferred Shares since the Closing Date (and any amounts payable, if any to such Holder on the next succeeding Payment Date) would cause such Preferred Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) an Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such date was a Payment Date under the Indenture); *provided that*, after the date on which any Holder of Preferred Shares has received an Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price for such Preferred Shares shall be equal to zero.

"Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser": The Servicer (or any of its affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided that* in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Notes or Preferred Shares from Holders pursuant to the Amendment Buy-Out, "Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser or any of its affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; *provided, however*, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser or any of their respective affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

"Amortization Period": The period beginning on the day following the end of the Revolving Period and ending on the Payment Date upon which the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes is paid in full.

"Applicable Percentage": The lesser of the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate and the S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to such item of Portfolio Collateral as specified in the tables below and in Schedule C hereto:

<u>Moody's Priority Category*</u>	<u>Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate</u>
Senior Secured Loans:	
+2 or more Rating Subcategories Difference	60%
+1 Rating Subcategories Difference	50%
0 Rating Subcategories Difference	45%
-1 Rating Subcategories Difference	40%
-2 Rating Subcategories Difference	30%
-3 or less Rating Subcategories Difference	20%
DIP Loan (senior secured)	50%



<u>Moody's Priority Category*</u>	<u>Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate</u>
Non-Senior Secured Loans:	
+2 or more Rating Subcategories Difference	45%
+1 Rating Subcategories Difference	42.5%
0 Rating Subcategories Difference	40%
-1 Rating Subcategories Difference	30%
-2 Rating Subcategories Difference	15%
-3 or less Rating Subcategories Difference	10%
Debt Securities	
+2 or more Rating Subcategories Difference	40%
+1 Rating Subcategories Difference	35%
0 Rating Subcategories Difference	30%
-1 Rating Subcategories Difference	15%
-2 Rating Subcategories Difference	10%
-3 or less Rating Subcategories Difference	2%
Synthetic Securities	In the case of (i) any Synthetic Security under clause (A) or clause (B) of the definition thereof, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" referred to in this clause for the related Reference Obligation (or deliverable obligation to the extent such deliverable obligation is not the Reference Obligation), (ii) any Synthetic Security under clause (C) of the definition thereof, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to such Synthetic Security at the time of acquisition of such Synthetic Security, and (iii) any Synthetic Security which has the ability to vary the nature of the deliverable obligation from the time of the initial acquisition, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to such Synthetic Security at such time.

CLO Securities:

<u>Moody's Priority Category*</u>	<u>Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate</u>					
Percentage of Total Capitalization	Moody's Default Probability Rating					
	Aaa	Aa	A	Baa	Ba	B
Greater than 70%	85.0%	80.0%	65.0%	55.0%	45.0%	30.0%
Less than or equal to 70%, but greater than 10%	75.0%	70.0%	60.0%	50.0%	40.0%	25.0%
Less than or equal to 10%, but greater than 5%	65.0%	55.0%	50.0%	40.0%	30.0%	20.0%
Less than or equal to 5%, but greater than 2%	55.0%	45.0%	40.0%	35.0%	25.0%	10.0%
Less than or equal to 2%	45.0%	35.0%	30.0%	25.0%	10.0%	5.0%

\* For purposes of the Moody's Priority Category, the classification of a Portfolio Loan shall be determined as of each date of determination.

<u>S&amp;P Priority Category</u>	<u>S&amp;P Priority Category Recovery Rate</u>
Senior secured Portfolio Loans	55%
Second lien Portfolio Loans	37.5%
Senior unsecured Portfolio Loans	37.5%
Subordinated Portfolio Loans	21.5%
DIP Loan	To be determined on a case-by-case basis by S&P
Synthetic Securities	The "S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Standard & Poor's to such Synthetic Security at the time of acquisition of such Synthetic Security.
Debt Securities	
Senior secured Debt Securities	44.0%
Senior unsecured Debt Securities	30.0%
Subordinated Debt Securities	18.0%

"Applicable Periodic Rate": With respect to the Class A-1LA Notes and for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period, a *per annum* rate equal to 0.30% above LIBOR for such Periodic Interest Accrual Period. With respect to the Class A-1LB Notes and for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period, a *per annum* rate equal to 0.50% above LIBOR for such Periodic Interest Accrual Period. With respect to the Class A-2L Notes and for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period, a *per annum* rate equal to 0.65% above LIBOR for such Periodic Interest Accrual Period. With respect to the Class A-3L Notes and for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period, a *per annum* rate equal to 1.40% above LIBOR for such Periodic Interest Accrual Period. With respect to the Class A-4L Notes and for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period, a *per annum* rate equal to 1.70% above LIBOR for such Periodic Interest Accrual Period. With respect to the Class B-1L Notes and for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period, a *per annum* rate equal to 2.25% above LIBOR for such Periodic Interest Accrual Period. With respect to the Class X Notes and for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period, a *per annum* rate equal to 0.36% above LIBOR for such Periodic Interest Accrual Period.

"Applicable Procedures": The meaning specified in Section 2.5(b) hereof.

"Approved Pricing Service": Any pricing service (including any of its successors and assigns) listed as an Approved Pricing Service in Schedule J or otherwise disclosed in writing by the Issuer to the Trustee and the Holders of the Notes, and not objected to by the Requisite Noteholders within 15 days of such disclosure, *provided that* the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to any pricing service not included on Schedule J.

"Ask-Side Market Value": As of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any lent item of Portfolio Collateral based upon the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the higher of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the ask-side prices for the purchase of such item of Portfolio Collateral determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer); *provided that* if the Ask-Side Market Value of any lent item of Portfolio Collateral cannot be so determined then such item of Portfolio Collateral shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the outstanding principal balance thereof.

"Asset Backed Security": Any obligation that is either (i) a security that is primarily serviced by the cash flows of a discrete pool of receivables or other financial assets, either fixed or revolving, and that, by its terms converts into cash within a finite time period, plus any rights or other assets designed to assure the servicing or timely distribution of proceeds to the holders thereof or (ii) an "asset-backed security" as such term may be defined from time to time in the "General Instructions to Form S-3 Registration Statement" promulgated under the Securities Act, including collateralized bond obligations and collateralized loan obligations. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Synthetic Security shall not be considered an Asset Backed

Security for purposes of this Indenture unless the related Reference Obligation is an Asset Backed Security.

"Assumed Interest Rate": A rate equal to LIBOR as of the most recent LIBOR Determination Date minus 0.25%, but not less than zero.

"Authenticating Agent": An agent of the Trustee appointed by the Trustee pursuant to Section 2.4 to authenticate the Notes.

"Authorized Officer": With respect to either of the Co-Issuers, any chairman, deputy chairman, president, vice president, managing director, secretary, director, treasurer or other officer thereof or any chairman, deputy chairman, president, vice president, secretary, director, treasurer or other officer of any duly appointed agent thereof who is authorized to act for the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, in matters relating to, and binding upon, such Issuer or the Co-Issuer. With respect to the Servicer, any member, manager, officer, employee or agent of the Servicer, as applicable, who is authorized to act for the Servicer, in matters relating to, and binding upon, the Servicer, with respect to the subject matter of the request, certificate or order in question. With respect to the Trustee or any other bank or trust company acting as trustee of any express trust or as custodian, a Responsible Officer. Each party may receive and accept a certification of the authority of any other party as conclusive evidence of the authority of any person to act, and such certification may be considered as in full force and effect until receipt by such other party of written notice to the contrary.

"Balance": On any date, with respect to cash or Eligible Investments in the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account or the Expense Reimbursement Account, the aggregate (i) face amount or current balance, as the case may be, of cash, demand deposits, time deposits, certificates of deposit, bankers' acceptances, federal funds and commercial bank money market accounts; (ii) outstanding principal amount of interest-bearing government and corporate securities; and (iii) purchase price of non-interest-bearing government and corporate securities, commercial paper and repurchase obligations.

"Bankruptcy Code": Title 11 of the United States Code (11 U.S.C. §§ 101 et seq.), as amended, and any successor statute and/or any bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or similar law enacted under the laws of the Cayman Islands.

"Base Fee Amount": With respect to each Due Period, an amount equal to 0.20% per annum of the Quarterly Collateral Amount, calculated on the basis of a 360-day year and the actual number of days elapsed.

"Base Servicing Fee": For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Base Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (b) the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date; *provided* that in the event that the Servicer is removed or resigns, the amount of such fee accrued to the effective date of such removal or resignation will be payable to the Servicer on the next succeeding Payment Date or Payment Dates on which such amount may be paid, in accordance with the priority of payments set forth in Section 11.1 (provided that the payment of any fee payable pursuant to this proviso will be *pari passu* with the payment of any servicing fees to the then-current servicer).

"B Rating Category": Having a Moody's Rating of "B1" or below or an S&P Rating of "B+" or below.

"BB Rating Category": Having a Moody's Rating of "Ba1" or below or an S&P Rating of "BB+" or below.

"Bear Notes": Notes of any Class, if any, initially issued to Bear Stearns or an Affiliate of Bear Stearns on the Closing Date.

"Bear Stearns": Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., a Delaware corporation.

"Beneficial Owners": The meaning specified in the Investment Company Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

"Business Day": Any day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or other day on which commercial banking institutions in the City of New York, the State of New York, or in the city in which the Corporate Trust Office is located, or, to the extent action is required of a Paying Agent or the Paying and Transfer Agent, including the Trustee, in the city of the place of payment, are authorized or obligated by law or executive order to be closed. To the extent action is required of the Irish Paying Agent, Dublin, Ireland shall be considered in determining "Business Day" for purposes of determining when such Irish Paying Agent action is required.

"Calculation Agent": The meaning specified in Section 2.11(a) hereof.

"Calculation Date": The last day of each Due Period.

"CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral": Portfolio Collateral (excluding Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) that has a Moody's Rating below "B3" or an S&P Rating below "B-".

"CCC Rating Category": Having a Moody's Rating of "Caa1" or below or an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or below.

"CIFG": CIFG Services, Inc.

"Class": Any of the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes and the Class X Notes.

"Class A Notes": The Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes and the Class A-4L Notes.

"Class A Overcollateralization Percentage": 107.00% (for purposes of the Class A Overcollateralization Test).

"Class A Overcollateralization Ratio": As of any date of determination, the ratio (expressed as a percentage) obtained by dividing (a) the sum of (1) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate as of such date, calculated in accordance with the Overcollateralization Ratio Adjustment, plus (2) the sum of the Balance of Eligible

Investments and cash in the Collection Account, representing Collateral Principal Collections plus the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Initial Deposit Account plus unpaid Purchased Accrued Interest, each as of such date by (b) the sum of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes (including for this purpose any unpaid Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts with respect to such Classes of Notes not paid when due, until such amounts, if any, are paid in full) as of such date.

"Class A Overcollateralization Test": A test that will be satisfied on any date of determination if the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class A Overcollateralization Percentage.

"Class A-1L Notes": The Class A-1LA Notes and the Class A-1LB Notes.

"Class A-1LA Notes": The U.S. \$538,000,000 Class A-1LA Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2021 issued hereunder by the Co-Issuers and having the terms described herein.

"Class A-1LB Notes": The U.S. \$96,000,000 Class A-1LB Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2021 issued hereunder by the Co-Issuers and having the terms described herein

"Class A-2L Notes": The U.S. \$76,000,000 Class A-2L Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2021 issued hereunder by the Co-Issuers and having the terms described herein.

"Class A-3L Notes": The U.S. \$36,500,000 Class A-3L Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2021 issued hereunder by the Co-Issuers and having the terms described herein.

"Class A-4L Notes": The U.S. \$10,000,000 Class A-4L Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2021 issued hereunder by the Co-Issuers and having the terms described herein.

"Class B-1L Notes": The U.S. \$21,000,000 Class B-1L Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2021 issued hereunder by the Co-Issuers and having the terms described herein.

"Class B-1L Overcollateralization Percentage": 106.00% (for purposes of the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test).

"Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio": As of any date of determination, the ratio (expressed as a percentage) obtained by dividing (a) the sum of (1) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate as of such date, calculated in accordance with the Overcollateralization Ratio Adjustment less the Overcollateralization Haircut Amount, if any, plus (2) the sum of the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Collection Account, representing Collateral Principal Collections plus the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Initial Deposit Account plus unpaid Purchased Accrued Interest, each as of such date by (b) the sum of the Aggregate Principal Amounts of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L

Notes (including for this purpose any unpaid Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts with respect to such Classes of Notes not paid when due, until such amounts, if any, are paid in full) as of such date.

If an item of Portfolio Collateral is both eligible to be included in the Overcollateralization Haircut Amount and is subject to an Overcollateralization Ratio Adjustment, for purposes of calculating the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio, such item of Portfolio Collateral will not be discounted multiple times, but will be treated in the category that results in the largest discount to the par amount of such item of Portfolio Collateral.

"Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test": A test that will be satisfied as of any date of determination if the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Percentage.

"Class I Preferred Shares": The Class I Preferred Shares, par value \$0.001 per share, issued by the Issuer; *provided* that any transfer of Class I Preferred Shares to HFP from any third party shall require the exchange and conversion of such Class I Preferred Shares into Class II Preferred Shares.

"Class II Preferred Share Dividend": Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend, Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend and Class II Preferred Share Supplemental Dividend.

"Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend": For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the sum of (a) the product of (i) the Additional Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (ii) the Class II Preferred Share Portion for such Payment Date plus (b) on any Payment Date that any part of the Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, interest on such unpaid amount in an amount equal to the product of (i) LIBOR for the applicable period and (ii) the actual number of days in such Due Period, divided by 360 plus (c) on any Payment Date that any part of the Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, such unpaid Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend and interest thereon in an amount equal to the product of (i) LIBOR for the applicable period and (ii) the actual number of days in such Due Period divided by 360.

"Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend": For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Base Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preferred Share Portion for such Payment Date.

"Class II Preferred Share Supplemental Dividend": For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Supplemental Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preferred Share Portion for such Payment Date.

"Class II Preferred Share Percentage": For any Payment Date, a fraction, expressed as a percentage, the numerator of which is the number of Outstanding Class II Preferred Shares on the Calculation Date related to such Payment Date and the denominator of which is the total number of Outstanding Preferred Shares on such Calculation Date.

"Class II Preferred Share Portion": For any Payment Date, 100% minus the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date.

"Class II Preferred Shares": The Class II Preferred Shares, par value \$0.001 per share, issued by the Issuer and held by HFP; *provided* that any transfer of Class II Preferred Shares by HFP to any third party shall require the exchange and conversion of such shares into Class I Preferred Shares.

"Class X Interest Payment": The Periodic Interest Amount with respect to the Class X Notes.

"Class X Notes": The U.S.\$14,000,000 Class X Floating Rate Notes Due August 2013.

"Class X Payment": With respect to each Payment Date; the Class X Interest Payment and the Class X Principal Payment; *provided*, such amount may be reduced in connection with a redemption of the Class X Notes, as set forth in the Indenture.

"Class X Principal Payment": With respect to the Class X Notes and any Payment Date, an amount equal to the Class X Principal Payment for such Payment Date beginning on the Payment Date in November 2007, in accordance with the amortization schedule set forth in Schedule K.

"Class X Shortfall Amount": With respect to the Class X Notes and any Payment Date, any shortfall or shortfalls in the payment of the Class X Payment with respect to any preceding Payment Date or Payment Dates together with interest accrued thereon at the Periodic Interest Rate relating to the Class X Notes (net of all Class X Shortfall Amounts, if any, paid with respect to the Class X Notes prior to such Payment Date).

"Clearance System": The Euroclear System or Clearstream or both.

"Clearstream": Clearstream Banking, *société anonyme*.

"CLO Security": A U.S. dollar-denominated collateralized loan obligation or a similar obligation that entitles the holders thereof to receive payments that depend (except for rights or other assets designed to assure the servicing or timely distribution of proceeds to holders of the CLO Securities) on the credit exposure to, or cash flow from, a portfolio of collateral of which at least 75% consists of commercial loans (including eligible synthetic securities whose reference obligations consist of commercial loans); *provided* that not more than 25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of any CLO Security may be comprised of Synthetic Securities; and *provided further* that each CLO Security must have a public or an estimated rating from each of the Rating Agencies.

"Closing Date": May 10, 2006.

"Closing Expense Account": The meaning specified in Section 10.2 hereof.



"Closing Expense Deposit": The cash credited to the Closing Expense Account on the Closing Date pursuant to Section 3.2(f) hereof.

"Closing Expenses": The meaning specified in Section 11.1(a) hereof.

"Code": The United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

"Co-Issuer": As defined in the first sentence of this Indenture.

"Co-Issuers": The Issuer and the Co-Issuer.

"Collateral": The Trust Estate.

"Collateral Account": The meaning specified in Section 10.2 hereof.

"Collateral Administration Agreement": The meaning specified in Section 10.5(g) hereof.

"Collateral Administrator": The collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement, initially JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association.

"Collateral Agent": The meaning specified in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement.

"Collateral Disposition Proceeds": All proceeds (including, to the extent so determined by the Servicer, any payments received in connection with a consent or similar solicitation and including any amounts received in connection with an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral up to an amount equal to, in the aggregate, the Principal Balance of such item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) received during a Due Period from the sale or other disposition of any Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate, net of any reasonable amounts expended by the Trustee in connection with such sale or other disposition (including without limitation disposition proceeds from liquidation of the Trust Estate pursuant to Section 9.11). Accrued interest may also be treated as Collateral Disposition Proceeds (y) to the extent necessary to pay for the principal amount of or accrued interest on Substitute Portfolio Collateral if the item of sold Portfolio Collateral paid interest before, and in the same Due Period as, the date of sale or (z) to the extent such amounts are Purchased Accrued Interest treated as Collateral Principal Collections hereunder. Amounts received with respect to Equity Portfolio Collateral or in connection with a consent or similar solicitation shall be treated as Collateral Interest Collections to the extent such proceeds are in excess of the Principal Balance (determined immediately prior to such Portfolio Collateral becoming Equity Portfolio Collateral) of the Portfolio Collateral disposed of.

"Collateral Interest Collections": With respect to any Payment Date, the sum of (i) all payments of interest with respect to any Portfolio Collateral (excluding accrued interest classified as Collateral Disposition Proceeds but including any other receipts of accrued interest (including Accrued Interest on Sale) and, to the extent so determined by the Servicer, any payments (other than principal) received in connection with a consent or similar solicitation, fees received in connection with an amendment (but only to the extent such amendment does not

result in diminishing the principal money terms of such item of Portfolio Collateral) and including any commitment, standby or similar fees with respect to the unfunded portion of the Issuer's commitment to make or otherwise fund advances with respect to a Delayed Drawdown Loan or a Revolving Loan which are received during the applicable Due Period, less any Retained Accrued Interest, (ii) the Account Income, if any, in the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account and the Loan Funding Account which is received during the applicable Due Period, as each is determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date (including, without limitation, Account Income on funds on deposit in the Initial Deposit Account transferred to the Collection Account on the Effective Date pursuant to Section 3.3(a) hereof), (iii) on or after the Effective Date, any funds transferred by the Trustee from the Initial Deposit Account pursuant to Section 10.2(f) hereof and (iv) income on Eligible Investments in and/or the securities credited to the Default Swap Collateral Account (to the extent the Issuer is entitled to receive such income pursuant to the terms hereof).

"Collateral LIBOR": With respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral, the London interbank offered rate for U.S. dollar deposits as determined under the terms of the related Underlying Instrument.

"Collateral Principal Collections": With respect to any Payment Date, all payments of principal of any Portfolio Collateral (including (i) any remaining Deposit (but excluding any Account Income thereon and subject to Section 3.4(d) hereof) not applied to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral or to effect an Initial Deposit Redemption, (ii) any payment of Premium, (iii) to the extent so determined by the Servicer, any payments received in connection with a consent or similar solicitation, fees received in connection with an amendment and including principal received in connection with or any payments received with respect to an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral in connection with any consent or solicitation, (iv) all proceeds received from the sale of any warrant (whether sold as part of a Unit or separately), (v) any Collateral Disposition Proceeds which are received during the applicable Due Period, as determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date, (vi) amounts representing Purchased Accrued Interest and (vii) amounts transferred from the Loan Funding Account upon the sale or disposition of Delayed Drawdown Loans or Revolving Loans or upon the expiration of a drawdown or revolving period, (viii) funds (other than income thereon) transferred from a Default Swap Collateral Account to the Collection Account, (ix) any amounts received by the Issuer that do not qualify as Collateral Interest Collections (other than those standing to the credit of any Default Swap Collateral Account or Default Swap Issuer Account) and (x) on or after the Effective Date, any funds in the Initial Deposit Account not considered Collateral Interest Collections pursuant to Section 10.2(f) hereof). Notwithstanding the foregoing, Collateral Principal Collections shall include (A) any other amounts not included in Collateral Interest Collections or Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections, (B) any payments received with respect to an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral up to, in the aggregate, the Principal Balance of such item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and (C) any amounts recharacterized as Collateral Principal Collections in connection with any distribution of Payment Date Equity Securities.

"Collateral Purchase Amount": With respect to any Payment Date, the aggregate amount of funds deposited into the Collection Account on such Payment Date pursuant to clause NINTH of Section 11.1(c)(i) and clause THIRD of Section 11.1(c)(ii).

"Collateral Quality Formula": The formula set forth in Annex D to be used to interpolate between values or rows of the criteria set forth in the Collateral Quality Matrix. For purposes of such calculation, (i) the Moody's Asset Correlation Test requirement in the applicable row of the Collateral Quality Matrix must be equal to or less than 4.0% and greater than or equal to 3.0%, (ii) the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate requirement in the applicable row of the Collateral Quality Matrix must be less than or equal to 45.5% and greater than or equal to 40.0%, (iii) the Moody's Weighted Average Rating Test requirement in the applicable row of the Collateral Quality Matrix must be equal to or greater than 1500 and less than or equal to 2500 and (iv) the Weighted Average Margin requirement in the applicable row of the Collateral Quality Matrix must be equal to or greater than 1.5% and less than or equal to 3.0%.

"Collateral Quality Matrix": For any date of determination, the row of the table set forth in Annex D that has been selected by the Servicer (in accordance with the procedures described in the next sentence) for use in determining the scores that are required to satisfy the Moody's Asset Correlation Test, the Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test with respect to Moody's, the Moody's Weighted Average Rating Test, the Weighted Average Coupon Test and the Weighted Average Margin Test. The Servicer may elect to (i) have a different row of the table set forth in Annex D apply and (ii) add additional rows to the table set forth in Annex D by interpolating using the Collateral Quality Formula (which may or may not include a combination of existing values), in each case upon providing written notice to the Issuer and the Trustee, so long as, immediately after giving effect to the change in rows, each of the Moody's Correlation Factor Test, the Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test with respect to Moody's, the Moody's Weighted Average Rating Test, the Weighted Average Coupon Test and the Weighted Average Margin Test will be satisfied according to the scores that are prescribed by the newly selected row and the Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor Test would have been satisfied as of the date of the most recent purchase or sale of an item of Portfolio Collateral had such test been calculated using the Current Portfolio, the Proposed Portfolio, and the S&P Scenario Loss Rate that was in effect immediately prior to such purchase or sale, but using the S&P Break-Even Loss Rate applicable to the Notes that would have been applicable after giving effect to the change in combinations; it being agreed that the Servicer shall be under no obligation to elect to change the Collateral Quality Matrix. In determining whether the criteria set forth in the Collateral Quality Matrix are satisfied, the Servicer may use the Collateral Quality Formula to interpolate between values of such criteria or may use any other method that is agreed by the Issuer and Moody's with written notice to the Trustee. If a new Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor is required in connection with selecting a new row of the matrix, the Servicer will give notice to S&P and the Trustee at least two weeks prior to the selection of such new row.

"Collateral Quality Tests": The Moody's Correlation Factor Test, the Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test, the Moody's Weighted Average Rating Test, the Weighted Average Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Margin Test, the Weighted Average Life Requirement and the Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor Test.

"Collection Account": The meaning specified in Section 10.2 hereof.

"Collections": With respect to any Payment Date, the sum of (i) the Collateral Interest Collections collected during the applicable Due Period and (ii) the Collateral Principal Collections collected during the applicable Due Period, as each is determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date.

"Controlling Class": Shall mean the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class X Notes, so long as any Class A-1LA Notes and Class X Notes are Outstanding, then the Class A-1LB Notes, so long as any Class A-1LB Notes are Outstanding, then the Class A-2L Notes, so long as any Class A-2L Notes are Outstanding, then the Class A-3L Notes, so long as any Class A-3L Notes are Outstanding, then the Class A-4L Notes, so long as any Class A-4L Notes are Outstanding and then the Class B-1L Notes, so long as any Class B-1L Notes are Outstanding.

"Corporate Trust Office": The principal corporate trust office of the Trustee currently located at 600 Travis Street, 50th Floor, Houston, Texas 77002, Attention: Worldwide Securities Services-ROCKWALL CDO, or at such other address as the Trustee may designate by notice to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Issuer and the Rating Agencies or the principal corporate trust office in the United States of any successor Trustee.

"Coupon Adjustment": To the extent the Weighted Average Coupon of the Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral exceeds the percentage specified in the row of the Collateral Quality Matrix then in effect for such Weighted Average Coupon, then the Weighted Average Margin Test (as specified in the row of the Collateral Quality Matrix then in effect), will be reduced by a per annum percentage equal to the product of (x) the amount by which the Weighted Average Coupon of the Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral exceeds the percentage specified in the row of the Collateral Quality Matrix then in effect for such Weighted Average Coupon, times (y) a fraction, the numerator of which is the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral and the denominator of which is the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral, times (z) 360/365.

To the extent the Weighted Average Margin of the Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral exceeds the percentage specified in the row of the Collateral Quality Matrix then in effect for such Weighted Average Margin, then the Weighted Average Coupon Test (as specified in the row of the Collateral Quality Matrix then in effect) will be reduced by a per annum percentage equal to the product of (x) the amount by which the Weighted Average Margin exceeds the percentage specified in the current row of the Collateral Quality Matrix, times (y) a fraction, the numerator of which is the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral and the denominator of which is the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral, times (z) 365/360.

"Credit Improved Criteria": Shall mean with respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral, in the Servicer's reasonable judgment, such item of Portfolio Collateral has significantly improved in credit quality, and:

(a) Moody's, S&P or Fitch has placed such item of Portfolio Collateral or any other class of security issued together with such item of Portfolio Collateral (or, if such item of Portfolio Collateral is not rated, the issuer thereof) on its credit watch list (or similar list) with the potential for developing positive credit implications since the date the Issuer first acquired such

item of Portfolio Collateral (and for so long as such item of Portfolio Collateral or issuer, as applicable, remains on such list) or there has been an upgrade in the rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral, issuer or other class of security issued together with such item of Portfolio Collateral, as applicable, by Moody's, S&P or Fitch by one or more subcategories from the rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral or issuer, as applicable, by Moody's, S&P or Fitch, as applicable, in effect on the date the Issuer first acquired such item of Portfolio Collateral;

(b) with respect to a Portfolio Loan, since the date on which such Portfolio Loan was first acquired by the Issuer, has increased in price to 101.5% or more of its original purchase price or the spread of which over the related reference rate has been reduced, in each case, in accordance with its Underlying Instruments since the date on which such item of Portfolio Collateral was first acquired by the Issuer by 0.25% or more (in the case of an item of Portfolio Collateral with a spread over the related reference rate less than or equal to 2.00% at the time such item of Portfolio Collateral was first acquired by the Issuer) or 0.50% or more (in the case of an item of Portfolio Collateral with a spread over the related reference rate greater than 2.00% at the time such item of Portfolio Collateral was first acquired by the Issuer) for reasons primarily due to an improvement in the related borrower's financial ratios or financial results and not as a result of general market conditions; or

(c) with respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral which is not a Portfolio Loan, an increase in the market price (expressed as a percentage of par value) since the date of purchase of such item of Portfolio Collateral which, compared to the change in the average market price of a representative sample (as determined by the Servicer) of other debt securities with similar terms and credit characteristics and that would be eligible to be pledged as Portfolio Collateral, is greater than 3.00% of the par value or more relative to such representative sample; or a decrease since the date of purchase of such item of Portfolio Collateral of more than 10.0% in the difference between the yield to worst call on such item of Portfolio Collateral compared to the yield on the relevant United States Treasury security;

*provided, however*, that the criteria in (b) and (c) above may be used only as corroboration of other bases for the Servicer's Judgment.

"Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral": Any item of Portfolio Collateral which, (a) in the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment consistent with the standard of care set forth in the Servicing Agreement (provided, that in forming such judgment a decrease in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases of such judgment), has improved in credit quality or otherwise satisfies the Credit Improved Criteria or (b) is sold pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange; *provided* that the Aggregate Principal Amount of any such Portfolio Collateral sold pursuant to clause (b) shall not exceed, during any twelve-month period, 20% (or such lower amount as determined by the Servicer) of the Aggregate Par Amount as of the first day of such period.

"Credit Risk Criteria": With respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral:

(a) Moody's, Fitch or S&P has placed such item of Portfolio Collateral or any other class of security issued together with such item of Portfolio Collateral (or, if such item of

Portfolio Collateral is not rated, the issuer thereof) on its credit watch list with the potential for developing negative credit implications (or similar list) since the date the Issuer first acquired such item of Portfolio Collateral (and for so long as such item of Portfolio Collateral or issuer, as applicable, remains on such list) or there has been a reduction in the rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral, issuer or other class of security issued together with such item of Portfolio Collateral, as applicable, by Moody's, Fitch or S&P, as applicable, by one or more subcategories from the rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral or issuer, as applicable, by Moody's, Fitch or S&P, as applicable, in effect on the date the Issuer first acquired such item of Portfolio Collateral;

(b) which is a Portfolio Loan, the spread over the applicable reference rate has been increased in accordance with the related Underlying Instruments since the date on which such Portfolio Loan was first acquired by the Issuer by 0.50% or more (in the case of a Portfolio Loan with a spread over the applicable reference rate at the time such Portfolio Loan was first acquired by the Issuer less than or equal to 2.00%) or 0.75% or more (in the case of a Portfolio Loan with a spread over the applicable reference rate at the time such Portfolio Loan was first acquired by the Issuer greater than 2.00%) primarily due to a deterioration in the related borrower's financial ratios or financial results and not as a result of general market conditions; *provided, however*, that the criteria in this paragraph (b) may be used only as corroboration of other bases for the Servicer's judgment;

(c) which is a CLO Security, a decline in the par amount of underlying collateral such that the aggregate par amount of the entire class of securities to which such item of Portfolio Collateral belongs and all other securities secured by the same pool of collateral and that rank senior in priority of payment to such class of securities exceeds the aggregate par amount of all collateral (excluding defaulted collateral) securing such securities; or

(d) it is a Deferred Interest PIK Bond or a partial Deferred Interest PIK Bond.

"Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral": Any item of Portfolio Collateral (other than an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) which, in the Servicer's commercially reasonable business judgment consistent with the standard of care set forth in the Servicing Agreement (which judgment shall not be questioned as a result of subsequent events; *provided*, that in forming such judgment an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases of such judgment), (i) is likely to decline in credit quality and, with the passage of time, become Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, and (ii) if a Sales Restriction Condition has occurred, otherwise satisfies the Credit Risk Criteria.

"Cumulative Class X Payment": With respect to any Payment Date and the Class X Notes, the Class X Payment with respect to such Payment Date and the Class X Shortfall Amount, if any, with respect to such Payment Date.

"Cumulative Interest Amount": With respect to a Payment Date and any Class of Notes the applicable Periodic Interest Amount with respect to such Payment Date and the applicable Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount, if any, with respect to such Payment Date.

"Current Pay Obligation": An item of Portfolio Collateral that would otherwise be an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral but as to which (i) no interest payments (including deferred interest) or scheduled principal payments are due and payable that are unpaid and the Servicer reasonably expects that the issuer or obligor of such item of Portfolio Collateral will continue to make scheduled payments in cash of interest or principal thereon and will pay the principal thereof by maturity, (ii) if the issuer or obligor of such item of Portfolio Collateral is subject to a bankruptcy proceeding, a bankruptcy court has authorized the payment of interest due and payable on such item of Portfolio Collateral, and (iii) either (a) the Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral is equal to or greater than 80% of par and the Moody's Rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral is at least "Caa1" or (b) the Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral is equal to or greater than 85% of par and the Moody's Rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral is at least "Caa2" (or, if the Moody's Rating has been withdrawn, the Moody's Rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral was at least "Caa2" prior to withdrawal) or (c) if the Moody's Rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral is less than "Caa2" or is "Caa2" and on credit watch with negative implications, but greater than or equal to "Caa3" without credit watch with negative implications, the Market Value of the such item of Portfolio Collateral is at least equal to 90% of its Principal Balance; *provided* that if the Moody's Rating of the item of Portfolio Collateral has been withdrawn but the obligation had a Moody's rating of at least "Caa3" without credit watch with negative implications at the time of default, such item of Portfolio Collateral may be treated as a Current Pay Obligation if its Market Value is at least equal to 90% of its Principal Balance.

"Current Portfolio": Pledged Securities in the Trust Estate immediately prior to the sale, maturity or the other disposition of an item of Portfolio Collateral or immediately prior to the purchase of an item of Portfolio Collateral, as the case may be.

"Custodian": As such term is defined in Section 2.1(b) hereof.

"Debt Security": Each Structured Finance Investment and interests in corporate and other debt securities (including senior secured floating notes) included in the Portfolio Collateral (other than Eligible Investments, CLO Securities and Portfolio Loans) and, for the avoidance of doubt, Portfolio Loans shall not be considered Debt Securities.

"Default": Any event or condition the occurrence or existence of which, with the giving of notice or lapse of time or both, would become an Event of Default.

"Defaulted Portfolio Collateral": Any item of Portfolio Collateral (other than an item of Portfolio Collateral which is a DIP Loan, unless such item of Portfolio Collateral itself is in default since acquisition), including with respect to a Synthetic Security, the related Reference Obligation, with respect to which:

- (i) the issuer thereof has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (in respect of Portfolio Loans only, beyond five Business Days, *provided* the Servicer certifies in writing to the Trustee that it believes, in its reasonable business judgment, that such delay is not credit related), unless, in the case of a failure of such issuer to make required interest payments, such issuer has resumed current cash payments of interest and paid in full all accrued and unpaid interest;

(ii) such item of Portfolio Collateral is *pari passu* with or subordinated to other material indebtedness for borrowed money owing by the issuer thereof ("Other Indebtedness") and such issuer has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (beyond any applicable grace or notice period and without regard to any waiver of such default) on such Other Indebtedness, unless, in the case of a failure of such issuer to make required interest payments, such issuer has resumed current cash payments of interest and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon;

(iii) an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to the issuer thereof;

(iv) the Servicer has knowledge (or such rating information has been published) that the issuer thereof is rated "D" or "SD" by S&P (calculated in accordance with Schedule D) (or S&P has withdrawn its rating which prior to such withdrawal was "D" or "SD");

(v) there has been proposed or effected any distressed exchange or other distressed debt restructuring where the issuer of such Portfolio Collateral has offered the debt holders a new security or package of securities that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer amounts to a diminished financial obligation;

(vi) such item of Portfolio Collateral is declared to be an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral by the Servicer, but only so long as it remains so designated by the Servicer in its sole discretion; or

(vii) such item of Portfolio Collateral is a CLO Security which is rated "CC" or below by S&P (or S&P has withdrawn its rating which prior to such withdrawal was rated "CC") or rated "Ca" or "C" or below by Moody's;

*provided* that any item of Portfolio Collateral that is classified as an item of "Defaulted Portfolio Collateral" will cease to be so classified if such item of Portfolio Collateral, at any date thereafter, (a) would not otherwise be classified as an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral in accordance with the definition of such term and (b) otherwise meets the collateral criteria described herein as of such date.

"Default Swap": Any U.S. dollar denominated "pay as you go" credit default swap or total return swap with respect to a Reference Obligation, which the Issuer (directly or indirectly) purchased from or entered into with a Default Swap Counterparty, which contains equivalent probability of default, recovery upon default (or a specific percentage thereof), expected loss, maturity, interest rate and other non-credit characteristics as those of the related Reference Obligation (without taking account of such considerations as they relate to the Default Swap Counterparty); *provided* that (i) the Reference Obligation is a CLO Security, (ii) such Default Swap will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. Federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer (or the beneficial owners thereof) to U.S. Federal income tax on a net income tax basis, (iii) either (a) amounts receivable by the Issuer are not expected to (based on the Servicer's determination, which may include consultation with counsel to the Issuer) be subject to U.S. or foreign withholding tax in respect of the Default Swap or (b) the Default Swap Counterparty is required



to make "gross-up" payments pursuant to the related Underlying Instruments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax on an after-tax basis (including any tax on such additional payments), (iv) the Issuer has caused to be deposited in a Default Swap Collateral Account an amount in cash at least equal to the aggregate of (or the amount required under the terms of the Synthetic Security to provide for) all further payments (contingent or otherwise) that the Issuer is or may be required to make to the Default Swap Counterparty under the Default Swap; (v) the agreement relating to such Default Swap contains "non-petition" provisions with respect to the Issuer and "limited recourse" provisions limiting the Default Swap Counterparty's rights in respect of the Default Swap Collateral to the funds and other property credited to the Default Swap Collateral Account related to such Default Swap; (vi) the notional amount of such Default Swap is equal to the principal amount of the Reference Obligation; (vii) the agreement relating to such Default Swap Collateral contains provisions to the effect that upon the occurrence of an "Event of Default" or "Termination Event" (other than an "Illegality" or "Tax Event"), if any, where the Default Swap Counterparty is the sole "Defaulting Party" or the sole "Affected Party" ("Event of Default," "Termination Event," "Illegality," "Tax Event," "Defaulting Party" or "Affected Party," as applicable, as such terms are defined in the ISDA Master Agreement relating to such Default Swap), (a) the Issuer may terminate its obligations under such Default Swap and upon such termination and payment of any termination amount payable under the Default Swap, any lien in favor of the Default Swap Counterparty over its related Default Swap Collateral Account will be terminated and (b) upon payment of any termination amount payable under the Default Swap, the Issuer will no longer be obligated to make any payments to the Default Swap Counterparty with respect to such Default Swap, (viii) any Default Swap shall be positively indexed to the related Reference Obligation on no more than a one-to-one basis, (ix) if any Reference Obligation delivered pursuant to any Default Swap does not constitute Portfolio Collateral and it would cause any collateral quality test or concentration limitation not to be satisfied, such Reference Obligation shall be deemed Equity Portfolio Collateral, and (x) (a) such Default Swap shall be documented with a standard ISDA form master agreement, as modified by appropriate schedules and confirmations and (b) (1) such Default Swap is a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or (2) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the purchase of or entry into such Default Swap.

"Default Swap Collateral": Cash, securities or other collateral purchased or posted by the Issuer in connection with the purchase of a Default Swap, including without limitation a payment of cash or delivery of securities by the Issuer.

"Default Swap Collateral Account": The account established pursuant to Section 10.2 hereof with the Securities Intermediary in the name of the Trustee.

"Default Swap Counterparty": Any entity, whose long term senior unsecured debt or derivatives counterparty rating shall be at least "A2" by Moody's and a long term rating of at least "A" or a short term rating of at least "A-1" by S&P, required to make payments on Synthetic Portfolio Collateral pursuant to the terms of such Default Swap or any guarantee thereof to the extent that a Reference Obligor makes payments on a related Reference Obligation.

"Default Swap Counterparty Termination Payment": An amount payable by the Issuer to a Default Swap Counterparty that is due following the designation of an "Early

Termination Date" (as defined in the related credit default swap) (other than in respect of "Illegality" or a "Tax Event" (each as defined in the related credit default swap)), as to which the Default Swap Counterparty is the sole "Defaulting Party" or the sole "Affected Party" (as each such term is defined in the ISDA Master Agreement related to such Synthetic Security).

"Default Swap Issuer Account": The account established pursuant to Section 10.2 hereof with the Securities Intermediary in the name of the Trustee.

"Deferred Interest PIK Bond": As of any date of determination, any PIK Bond that is not an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral that has, in accordance with its terms, deferred or paid "in-kind" any amount of interest for a period equal to:

(a) in the case of an item of Portfolio Collateral that has a Moody's Rating below "Baa3" (or, if rated "Baa3," is on credit watch for possible downgrade) or, if rated by S&P, a rating by S&P below "BBB-" (or, if rated "BBB-," is on credit watch for possible downgrade), the shorter of one accrual period or six months; and

(b) in all other cases, the shorter of two accrual periods or twelve months;

and has not, as of such date of determination, resumed timely payment of current interest in cash and repaid all outstanding deferred or capitalized interest in cash. For the avoidance of doubt, an item of Portfolio Collateral will not constitute a Deferred Interest PIK Bond if it resumes timely payment of current interest in cash and repays all outstanding deferred or capitalized interest in cash on the Payment Date immediately succeeding the end of the interest accrual period(s) set forth above.

"Definitive Notes": Registered definitive notes in substantially the form set forth in Exhibits A-1L-4, A-2L-4, A-3L-4 and B-1L-4.

"Delayed Drawdown Loan": A Portfolio Loan that, pursuant to the related Underlying Instrument or Underlying Loan and Security Agreement and lender or lenders, would obligate the Issuer, if the Issuer were to become a lender thereunder by purchasing such Portfolio Loan for inclusion in the Trust Estate, to make or otherwise fund one or more future advances to the related borrower and meeting the criteria described in Section 3.4; *provided* that, if a Delayed Drawdown Loan has been drawn in full and there are no future advance obligations to the related borrower, such Portfolio Loan will no longer be considered a Delayed Drawdown Loan.

"Deliver" or "Delivery": The taking of the following steps by the Issuer:

(a) with respect to such of the Trust Estate as constitutes an instrument, causing the Trustee to take possession in the State of New York of such instrument, indorsed to the Trustee or in blank by an effective indorsement;

(b) with respect to such of the Trust Estate as constitutes tangible chattel paper, goods, a negotiable document, or money, causing the Trustee to take possession in the State of New York of such tangible chattel paper, goods, negotiable document, or money;

(c) with respect to such of the Trust Estate as constitutes a certificated security in bearer form, causing the Trustee to acquire possession in the State of New York of the related security certificate;

(d) with respect to such of the Trust Estate as constitutes a certificated security in registered form, causing the Trustee to acquire possession in the State of New York of the related security certificate, indorsed to the Trustee or in blank by an effective indorsement, or registered in the name of the Trustee, upon original issue or registration of transfer by the issuer of such certificated security;

(e) with respect to such of the Trust Estate as constitutes an uncertificated security, causing the issuer of such uncertificated security to register the Trustee as the registered owner of such uncertificated security;

(f) with respect to such of the Trust Estate as constitutes a security entitlement, causing the Securities Intermediary to indicate by book entry that the financial asset relating to such security entitlement has been credited to the appropriate Account;

(g) with respect to such of the Trust Estate as constitutes an account or a general intangible, (i) causing the account debtor for such account or general intangible to be notified of the grant to the Trustee of a security interest in such account or general intangible, (ii) causing to be taken any steps necessary to perfect a security interest in such account or general intangible under the laws of the Cayman Islands, and (iii) causing to be filed with the District of Columbia Recorder of Deeds a properly completed UCC financing statement that names the Issuer as debtor and the Trustee as secured party and that covers such account or general intangible;

(h) with respect to such of the Trust Estate as constitutes a deposit account, causing such deposit account to be maintained in the name of the Trustee and causing the bank with which such deposit account is maintained to agree in writing with the Trustee and the Issuer that (i) such bank will comply with instructions originated by the Trustee directing disposition of the funds in such deposit account without further consent of any other person or entity, (ii) such bank will not agree with any person or entity other than the Trustee to comply with instructions originated by any person or entity other than the Trustee, (iii) such deposit account and the property deposited therein will not be subject to any lien, security interest, encumbrance, or right of set-off in favor of such bank or anyone claiming through it (other than the Trustee), (iv) such agreement will be governed by the laws of the State of New York, and (v) the State of New York will be the bank's jurisdiction of such bank for purposes of Article 9 of the UCC; or

(i) in the case of each of paragraphs (a) through (h) above, such additional or alternative procedures as may hereafter become appropriate to grant and perfect a security interest in such items of the Trust Estate in favor of the Trustee, consistent with applicable law or regulations.

In each case of Delivery contemplated herein, the Trustee shall make appropriate notations on its records indicating that such item of the Trust Estate is held by the Trustee pursuant to and as provided herein.

Effective upon Delivery of any item of the Trust Estate, the Trustee shall be deemed to have (i) represented that its purchase of such item of the Trust Estate is made in good faith, and without notice of any adverse claim thereto appearing on the face of such item (if in physical form) or otherwise known to a Responsible Officer of the Trustee; *provided that* such representation shall not impose any other affirmative duty or obligation upon the Trustee with regard to inquiry or investigation of, or constructive notice of, adverse claims; and (ii) acknowledged that it holds such item of the Trust Estate as Trustee hereunder for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes and the other Secured Parties. Any additional or alternative procedures for accomplishing "Delivery" for purposes of paragraph (i) of this definition shall be permitted only upon delivery to the Trustee of an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that such procedures are appropriate to grant and perfect a security interest in the applicable type of collateral in favor of the Trustee.

"Deposit": The cash credited to the Initial Deposit Account on the Closing Date (or with respect to the Post-Closing Sale Collateral, within 10 days of the Closing Date) in accordance with Section 3.2(e) hereof, including any reimbursement for amounts withdrawn from the Initial Deposit Account pursuant to Section 10.2(f), and including the first interest payment received on each Portfolio Loan and on CLO Securities (other than certain CLO Securities, as indicated on Schedule A) purchased on the Closing Date.

"Deposit Account": The meaning specified in Section 10.2 hereof.

"Depository": With respect to the Regulation S Global Notes and the Rule 144A Global Notes, DTC, its nominees, and their respective successors.

"DIP Loan": Any interest in a loan or financing facility (a) which at the time of purchase is an obligation of a debtor-in-possession pursuant to Section 364 of United States the Bankruptcy Code, (b) the terms of which have been approved by an order of a United States Bankruptcy Court, a United States District Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, the enforceability of which order is not subject to any pending contested matter or proceeding (as such terms are defined in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure), (c) which has the priority allowed by either Section 364(c) or 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code, (d) which pays interest in cash on a current basis, and (e) as to which the obligor has paid its most recent scheduled interest and principal payments (if any) and the Servicer reasonably expects that such obligor will continue to pay interest and principal payments. For purposes hereof, a DIP Loan shall not be considered a Current Pay Obligation. Any DIP Loan added as an item of Portfolio Collateral must be assigned a formal or estimated rating by Moody's and S&P.

"Discount Portfolio Collateral": (a) Any Portfolio Loan which had a Moody's Rating of at least "B3" at the time of purchase and which was purchased at a price less than 85% of the Principal Balance thereof, (b) any Portfolio Loan which had a Moody's Rating below "B3" at the time of purchase and which was purchased at a price less than 90% of the Principal Balance thereof, (c) any item of Portfolio Collateral which is not a Portfolio Loan and which had a Moody's Rating of at least "B3" at the time of purchase and which was purchased at a price less than 80% of the Principal Balance thereof, (d) any item of Portfolio Collateral which is not a Portfolio Loan and which had a Moody's Rating below "B3" at the time of purchase and which was purchased at a price less than 85% of the Principal Balance thereof and (e) any CLO

Security which had a Moody's Rating of "Aa3" or greater at the time of purchase or originally rated "Aa3" or greater by Moody's which was purchased at a price less than 92% of the Principal Balance thereof and the provisions of this definition set forth below will not be applicable to these CLO Securities; *provided* that, (i) any item of Portfolio Collateral that would otherwise be considered Discount Portfolio Collateral, but that has a Market Value above 90% of its Principal Balance for 22 consecutive Business Days if it is a Portfolio Loan or above 85% of its Principal Balance for 60 consecutive days if it is a CLO Security, after being purchased by the Issuer, will no longer be considered Discount Portfolio Collateral and (ii) any item of Portfolio Collateral that would otherwise be considered Discount Portfolio Collateral, but that is purchased with the proceeds of sale of an item of Portfolio Collateral that was not an item of Discount Portfolio Collateral at the time of its purchase, so long as such item of Portfolio Collateral (a) was purchased or committed to be purchased within five Business Days of such sale, (b) was purchased at a price (as a percentage of par) equal to or greater than the sale price of the sold item of Portfolio Collateral, (c) was purchased at a purchase price not less than 65% of the Principal Balance thereof and (d) had a rating equal to or greater than the rating of the sold item of Portfolio Collateral, will not be considered Discount Portfolio Collateral. Notwithstanding the foregoing, at no time during the period commencing on the Closing Date through the Final Maturity Date, shall the Aggregate Principal Amount of all items of Discount Portfolio Collateral purchased pursuant to clause (ii) exceed in the aggregate 10% of the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount; *provided* that no more than 3% of the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount of such 10% cumulative limitation may consist of CLO Securities; *provided* that if a Portfolio Loan purchased pursuant to clause (ii) above is repaid in full, is sold for a price equal to at least 97.5% of its unpaid Principal Balance or has a Market Value above 90% of its Principal Balance for at least 22 consecutive Business Days after being purchased, such Portfolio Loan shall not be taken into account for purposes of clause (ii) above; *provided further* that, as of any date of determination, the Aggregate Principal Amount of items of Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate purchased pursuant to clause (ii) above, may not exceed (x) 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount or (y) if the weighted average purchase price of Portfolio Collateral purchased pursuant to clause (b) above is less than 75% as of such date of determination, 2.5% of the Aggregate Par Amount.

"Distributable Equity Securities" Any and all Equity Portfolio Collateral, which cannot be sold by the Servicer as a result of the regulatory, market or other restrictions, as determined in good faith by the Servicer, and shall have the value as determined by an independent third party with relevant experience in making such valuation.

"Distribution Compliance Period": The period ending on the 40th day after the later of the conclusion of the offering of the Notes and the Closing Date.

"DTC": The Depository Trust Company, a New York corporation, or any successor thereto.

"Due Date": Each date on which a distribution or payment is due on a Pledged Security (which includes any Eligible Investment).

"Due Period": With respect to any Payment Date, the period beginning on the day following the last day of the immediately preceding Due Period (or, in the case of the Due

Period that is applicable to the first Payment Date beginning on the Closing Date) and ending at the close of business on the seventh Business Day preceding such Payment Date.

"Effective Date": The earlier of (i) the first date on which the Deposit has been applied to the purchase (or committed to the purchase) of Original Portfolio Collateral such that the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any of the Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date) is at least equal to the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount or (ii) September 10, 2006.

"Eligible Investments": Any U.S. dollar denominated investment that is one or more of the following (including security entitlements with respect thereto):

(a) direct registered obligations of, and registered obligations fully guaranteed by, the United States of America or any agency or instrumentality of the United States of America the obligations of which are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America or United States Security Entitlements (as defined in the Indenture) other than obligations or security entitlements of the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation; *provided, however*, that, in the case of obligations or United States Security Entitlements that are rated, each such obligation shall, at the time of its inclusion in the Trust Estate, have a credit rating of "AA-" or better or "A-1+" or better, as applicable, by S&P (except that Eligible Investments in an amount up to 20% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes Outstanding may be rated "A-1") and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) or "P-1" or better by Moody's, and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications);

(b) demand and time deposits in, trust accounts with, and certificates of deposit of, any depository institution or trust company (including the Trustee) incorporated under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof and subject to the supervision and examination by federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or debt obligations of such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company) at the time of purchase or contractual commitment providing for such purchase have a credit rating of "AA-" or better, in the case of debt obligations, or "A-1+" or better, in the case of commercial paper, by S&P (except that Eligible Investments in an amount up to 20% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes Outstanding may be rated "A-1") and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) or "P-1" or better by Moody's, and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications);

(c) registered securities bearing interest or sold at a discount issued by any corporation incorporated under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof that have a credit rating of "AA-" or better by S&P and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) or "P-1" or better by Moody's at the time of purchase or contractual commitment providing for such purchase, and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications);

(d) repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clause (a) above, entered into with a depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (b) above (including the Trustee) or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose short-term debt has a credit rating of "A-1+" (except that Eligible Investments in an amount up to 20% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes Outstanding may be rated "A-1") or better by S&P and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) or "P-1" or better by Moody's at the time of purchase in the case of any repurchase obligation for a security having a maturity not more than 183 days from the date of its issuance or whose long-term debt has a credit rating of "AA-" or better by S&P and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) by Moody's at the time of purchase in the case of any repurchase obligation for a security having a maturity more than 183 days from the date of its issuance and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications);

(e) commercial paper having at the time of purchase a credit rating of "A-1+" (except that an amount up to 20% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes Outstanding may be rated "A-1") or better by S&P and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) or "P-1" or better by Moody's and that has a maturity of not more than 183 days from its date of issuance; *provided, however*, that in the case of commercial paper with a maturity of longer than 91 days, the issuer of such commercial paper (or, in the case of a principal depository institution in a holding company system, the holding company of such system), if rated by S&P, must have at the time of purchase a long-term credit rating of "AA-" or better by S&P and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) by Moody's and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications);

(f) off-shore money market funds, which funds have, at all times, the highest credit rating assigned to such investment category by S&P and Moody's; and

(g) such other Eligible Investments acceptable to the Rating Agencies;

*provided, however*, that: (i) Eligible Investments purchased with funds in the Collection Account shall be held until maturity (or sold only for an amount at least equal to the par amount of such Eligible Investment) and shall include only such obligations or securities as mature no later than the Business Day prior to the next Payment Date and Eligible Investments purchased with funds in the Initial Deposit Account shall be held until maturity (or sold only for an amount at least equal to the par amount of such Eligible Investment) and shall include only such obligations or securities as mature no later than the Business Day prior to the date expected to be used and in any event prior to the Initial Deposit Redemption Date; (ii) none of the foregoing obligations or securities shall constitute Eligible Investments if all, or substantially all, of the remaining amounts payable thereunder shall consist of interest and not principal payments; (iii) none of the S&P ratings required above shall have a subscript of "r", "t", "p", "pi" or "q"; (iv) none of the foregoing obligations or securities shall constitute Eligible Investments if such obligations or securities are mortgage-backed securities; (v) no such obligation may be margin stock, securities which have a mandatory or optional conversion to equity or securities which are subject to an Offer; (vi) no such obligation may have coupons or other payments that are subject to U.S. withholding tax or are subject to foreign withholding under the terms of the underlying instruments where the issuer is not required to make "gross-up" payments sufficient to cause the net amount to be received on the debt obligations to equal the amount that would have been paid

had no such withholding tax applied; and (vii) any such Eligible Investment purchased on the basis of S&P's short-term rating of "A-1" shall mature not later than thirty (30) days after the date of purchase. Eligible Investments may include those Eligible Investments with respect to which the Trustee or its Affiliates provide services.

"Equity Portfolio Collateral": Any security (or any other right, interest or property or security entitlement) which does not entitle the holder thereof to receive periodic payments of interest no less frequently than semiannually and one or more installments of principal, in cash and sufficient to retire in full the stated principal amount thereof on the stated maturity date therefor; *provided, however*, that such definition will not include warrants, profit participations or similar equity-based rights that are a component of a Unit to the extent that the Aggregate Principal Amount of Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate with a warrant, profit participation or similar equity-based right attached thereto as a component of a Unit does not exceed 10% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Pledged Securities in the Trust Estate.

"ERISA": The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended.

"Euroclear Operator": Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear System, and any successor thereto.

"Event of Default": The meaning specified in Section 5.1 hereof.

"Exchange Act": The United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

"Exchange Certificate": The certification delivered in the form of Exhibit F hereto.

"Exchange Offer": With respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral, (i) an offer by the issuer of such item of Portfolio Collateral or by any other Person made to all holders of such item of Portfolio Collateral to exchange such item of Portfolio Collateral held by them for an item of Equity Portfolio Collateral or other debt instruments that do not otherwise satisfy the definition of Portfolio Collateral or (ii) any solicitation by such issuer or other Person to amend, modify or waive any provision of such item of Portfolio Collateral or of the related Underlying Instrument, the effect of which would be to convert such item of Portfolio Collateral into an item of Equity Portfolio Collateral or other debt instruments that do not otherwise satisfy the definition of Portfolio Collateral.

"Excluded Accrued Interest": With respect to any item of Initial Portfolio Collateral, any accrued and unpaid interest thereon (i) which was not included in the purchase price thereof that the Issuer paid on the Closing Date, and (ii) which will be paid by the Trustee from the Trust Estate, as instructed by Bear Stearns, in accordance with the terms of the Indenture.

"Expected Maturity Date": With respect to the Class X Notes, the Payment Date occurring in August 2013.



"Expense Reimbursement Account": The meaning specified in Section 10.2 hereof.

"Extended Final Maturity Date" If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Final Maturity Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Final Maturity Date, the Payment Date in August 2025).

"Extended Revolving Period End Date": If an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Revolving Period End Date (or, in the case of the first Extension, the Payment Date in August 2015).

"Extended Weighted Average Life Date": If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Weighted Average Life Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Weighted Average Life Date, May 1, 2019).

"Extension": An extension of the Revolving Period, the Final Maturity Date of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test in accordance with the Indenture.

"Extension Bonus Payment": With respect to each Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable Noteholder as set forth in Sections 11.1(c) and (d) in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Class A-1LA Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class A-1LB Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (3) in the case of the Class A-2L Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Date, (4) in the case of the Class A-3L Notes, 0.50% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (5) in the case of the Class A-4L Notes, 0.50% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, and (6) in the case of the Class B-1L Notes, 0.50% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

"Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification": With respect to each Maturity Extension and each beneficial owner of Notes other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such beneficial owner acceptable to the Issuer to the effect that it held Notes other than Extension Sale Securities on the applicable Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof and wire transfer instructions for the Extension Bonus Payment and any required documentation thereunder.

"Extension Conditions": As defined under Section 2.3(d).

"Extension Determination Date": The 8th Business Day prior to each Extension Effective Date.

"Extension Effective Date": If an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extension Effective Date (or, in the case of the first Extension Effective Date, the Payment Date in August 2011).

"Extension Notice": The notice given by the Issuer of its election to extend the Revolving Period substantially in the form of Exhibit I.

"Extension Purchase Price": The purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with each Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest as of the applicable Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), (ii) in the case of the Preferred Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preferred Shares since the Closing Date would cause such Preferred Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) an Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a "Payment Date" under the Indenture); *provided, however, that* if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received an Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Preferred Shares shall be zero.

"Extension Qualifying Purchasers": The Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event the Servicer elects not to purchase Securities from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.3(d); "Extension Qualifying Purchasers" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; *provided, however, none* of the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

"Extension Sale Notice": Irrevocable notice given by any Holder of Notes (other than the Class X Notes) and Preferred Shares of its intention to sell its Notes or Preferred Shares to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension substantially in the form of Enclosure B to Exhibit I.

"Extension Sale Notice Period": Within 30 days after the Issuer has delivered the Extension Notice.

"Extension Sale Securities": Notes or Preferred Shares as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given.

"Final Maturity Date": With respect to each Class of Notes (other than the Class X Notes) the Payment Date occurring in August 2021 and with respect to the Class X Notes, the Payment Date occurring in August 2013 or such earlier date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Notes is paid in full, including in connection with an Optional Redemption; *provided that* the "Final Maturity Date" with respect to the Notes (other than the Class X Notes) will be extended to the applicable Extended Final Maturity Date upon the occurrence of a Maturity Extension.

"Fitch": Fitch Ratings or any successor thereto.

"Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral": An item of Portfolio Collateral that bears interest at a fixed rate.

"Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral": An item of Portfolio Collateral that bears interest at a floating rate.

"Foreign Intermediaries": The meaning specified in Section 3.5 hereof.

"Form-Approved Synthetic Security": A Synthetic Security (a)(i) the Reference Obligation of which would be eligible for purchase by the Issuer as an item of Portfolio Collateral without any required action by the Rating Agencies or for which the Rating Condition has been satisfied or (ii) the Reference Obligation of which would satisfy clause (i) but for the currency in which it is payable and such Synthetic Security is payable in U.S. Dollars, does not provide for physical settlement and does not expose the Issuer to currency risk, (b) the documentation of which conforms (but for the amount and timing of periodic payments, the name of the Reference Obligation, the notional amount, the effective date, the termination date and other similarly necessary changes) to a form in respect of which the Rating Condition has been satisfied for use in this transaction, (c) which provides that any "credit event" thereunder shall not include restructuring (other than modified restructuring as defined in the 2003 ISDA Credit Derivatives Definitions), repudiation, moratorium, obligation default or obligation acceleration unless such Synthetic Security may be settled only through a physical settlement of a deliverable obligation to the Issuer and not in cash, (d) which has been certified in writing by the Servicer to the Trustee and the Issuer as meeting the requirements of this definition and (e) for which the Issuer has provided the Rating Agencies notice of the purchase of such Synthetic Security no less than five Business Days prior to such purchase; *provided that* each Rating Agency may revoke its consent to a Form-Approved Synthetic Security upon 30 days' written notice to the Trustee and the Issuer.

"Global Note": A Temporary Regulation S Global Note, a Permanent Regulation S Global Note or a Rule 144A Global Note.

"Grant": To grant, bargain, sell, warrant, alienate, remise, demise, release, convey, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge, create and grant a security interest in and right of set-off against, deposit, set over and confirm. A Grant of any item of the Trust Estate shall include all rights, powers and options (but none of the obligations) of the granting party thereunder, including without limitation the immediate and continuing right to claim for, collect, receive and receipt for principal and interest payments in respect of such item of the Trust Estate, and all other monies payable thereunder, to give and receive notices and other communications, to make waivers or other agreements, to exercise all rights and options, to bring Proceedings in the name of the granting party or otherwise, and generally to do and receive anything that the granting party is or may be entitled to do or receive thereunder or with respect thereto.

"Group A Country": Australia, Canada, the United Kingdom, the Federal Republic of Germany or The Netherlands (so long as the U.S. dollar denominated sovereign debt obligations of such jurisdiction are rated at least "Aa2" by Moody's and the foreign currency issuer credit rating assigned by S&P to such jurisdiction is at least "AA" and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications)).

"Group B Country": Austria, Belgium, Bermuda, Denmark, Finland, France, Ireland, Italy, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden or

Switzerland or any other member state of the European Union (as of the Closing Date) identified from time to time by the Servicer and subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency with respect thereto (so long as the U.S. dollar denominated sovereign debt obligations of such jurisdiction are rated at least "Aa2" by Moody's and the foreign currency issuer credit rating assigned by S&P to such jurisdiction is at least "AA" and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications)).

"HFP Shares": Preferred Shares beneficially owned or controlled by Highland Financial Partners, L.P., an affiliate of the Servicer.

"Holder" and "Noteholder": The Person in whose name a Note is registered in the Note Register.

"Indenture": This Indenture, as supplemented or amended in accordance with the terms hereof.

"Independent": When used with respect to any specified Person means such a Person who (a) is in fact independent of the Issuer and any other obligor upon the Notes and the Servicer or any Affiliate of the Issuer or such other obligor or the Servicer, (b) does not have any direct financial interest or any material indirect financial interest in the Issuer or in any such other obligor or the Servicer or in an Affiliate of the Issuer or such other obligor or the Servicer, and (c) is not connected with the Issuer or any such other obligor or the Servicer or any Affiliate of the Issuer or such other obligor or the Servicer as an officer, employee, promoter, underwriter, trustee, partner, director or Person performing similar functions. "Independent" when used with respect to any accountant may include an accountant who audits the books of such Person if in addition to satisfying the criteria set forth above the accountant is independent with respect to such Person within the meaning of Rule 101 of the Code of Ethics of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Whenever it is provided herein that any Independent Person's opinion or certificate shall be furnished to the Trustee, such Person shall be appointed by Issuer Order and such opinion or certificate shall state that the signer has read this definition and that the signer is independent within the meaning thereof. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, Bear Stearns shall be "Independent" for all purposes hereof.

"Initial Consent Period": The period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee provided notice of a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 82 hereof to the Holders of any Notes or Preferred Shares.

"Initial Deposit Redemption": A redemption of the Class X Notes and the Class A-1LA Notes pursuant to Section 3.3 hereof.

"Initial Deposit Redemption Amount": The meaning specified in Section 3.3.

"Initial Deposit Redemption Date": The November 2006 Payment Date.

"Initial Portfolio Collateral": The Portfolio Collateral that, in the case of CLO Securities, will be purchased on or prior to the Closing Date and, in the case of Portfolio Loans, will be purchased on or before the Closing Date or identified by the Issuer and for which commitments will be entered into on or prior to the Closing Date for purchase on or as soon as

practicable after (not scheduled to exceed sixty (60) days after) the Closing Date with the net proceeds from the sale of the Notes and the net proceeds from the sale of the Preferred Shares on the Closing Date, which Initial Portfolio Collateral is set forth on Schedule A hereto.

"Initial Portfolio Collateral Amount": U.S. \$765,000,000 (or such larger Aggregate Principal Amount of Portfolio Collateral as may be purchased on the Closing Date by the Issuer).

"Insolvency Event": With respect to any Person, means that:

(i) an involuntary proceeding shall be commenced or an involuntary petition shall be filed seeking (a) liquidation, reorganization or other relief in respect of such Person or its debts, or of all or substantially all of its assets, under any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar law now or hereafter in effect or (b) the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, conservator or similar official for such Person or for all or substantially all of its assets, and, in any such case, such proceeding or petition shall continue undismissed for 30 days; or an order or decree approving or ordering any of the foregoing shall be entered; or

(ii) such Person shall (a) voluntarily commence any proceeding or file any petition seeking liquidation, reorganization or other relief under any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar law now or hereafter in effect, (b) consent to the institution of, or fail to contest in a timely and appropriate manner, any proceeding or petition described in clause (i) above, (c) apply for or consent to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator or conservator or for all or substantially all of its assets, (d) file an answer admitting the material allegations of a petition filed against it in any such proceeding, (e) make a general assignment for the benefit of creditors or (f) take any action for the purpose of effecting any of the foregoing.

"Institutional Investor": Any one of the following persons: (i) any bank, trust company or national banking association, acting for its own account or in a fiduciary capacity, (ii) any charitable foundation or eleemosynary institution, (iii) any insurance company, (iv) any pension or retirement trust or fund for which any bank, trust company, national banking association or investment adviser registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended from time to time, is acting as trustee or agent, or that manages its own assets, having funds of at least \$5,000,000, (v) any investment company, as defined in the Investment Company Act, (vi) any college or university, (vii) any government or public employees' pension or retirement system, or any other governmental agency supervising the investment of public funds, or (viii) any corporation, limited liability company, business trust or partnership having total assets in excess of \$5,000,000.

"Interest Coverage Ratio": with respect to any Payment Date after the second Payment Date, a number (expressed as a percentage) calculated by dividing (a) four times the amount by which (i) the Collateral Interest Collections received or scheduled to be received during the Due Period in which such calculation occurs (other than Collateral Interest Collections (including deferred interest thereon) scheduled to be received on any item of Portfolio Collateral that is not paying or expected to pay current interest), exceeds (ii) the

Periodic Reserve Amount (excluding amounts payable on the Class B-1L Notes) as of such Payment Date, by (b) the Aggregate Principal Amount of Class A Notes with respect to such Payment Date, as adjusted, to take into account any O/C Redemption to occur on the Payment Date related to such Due Period pursuant the Indenture pursuant to Section 11.2 hereof.

For purposes of calculating the Interest Coverage Ratio, any item of Portfolio Collateral as to which any interest or other payment thereon is subject to withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction, each such payment of interest or other payment thereon will be deemed to be payable net of such withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax unless, in the case of a withholding tax, the issuer thereof or obligor thereon is required to make additional payments to fully compensate the Issuer for such withholding taxes (including in respect of any such additional payments) and on any date of determination, the amount of any scheduled payment due on any future date will be assumed to be made net of any such uncompensated withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax based upon withholding or other applicable tax rates in effect on such date of determination.

"Interest Coverage Test": A test which is applicable on each Payment Date after the second Payment Date and will be satisfied as of such determination date if the Interest Coverage Ratio will be at least 1.5%.

"Internal Rate of Return": With respect to any Payment Date, the annualized discount rate at which the sum of the discounted values of the following cashflows is equal to zero, assuming discounting on a quarterly basis as of each Payment Date: (1) the Notional Amount of the Preferred Shares (which amount will be deemed to be negative for purposes of this calculation), (2) each distribution of Collateral Interest Collections made to the holders of the Preferred Shares on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Internal Rate of Return, such Payment Date and (3) each distribution of Collateral Principal Collections made to the holders of the Preferred Shares on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Internal Rate of Return, such Payment Date.

"Investment Company Act": The United States Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

"Investor Corp.": Rockwall Investors Corp., a Cayman Islands limited liability company, which will hold all of the Class I Preferred Shares, and which will issue its preferred shares to third party investors.

"Investor Representation Letter": A certificate delivered by a prospective transferee of a Note in the form of Exhibit C hereto.

"Irish Paying Agent": RSM Robson Rhodes LLP, or any successors thereto.

"Issuer": The meaning specified in the first sentence of this Indenture.

"Issuer Base Administrative Expenses": With respect to any Payment Date, the administrative expenses paid or payable by the Issuer during the applicable Due Period, including, without limitation, taxes, government fees, indemnities, registered office fees and expenses for third party loan pricing services and accountants, if any, in the following order: (i)

*pro rata*, taxes of the Co-Issuers, surveillance fees, shadow rating fees and credit estimate fees, if any, of the Rating Agencies; fees due to any Listing and Paying Agent; fees due to any stock exchange on which any Class of the Notes or the Preferred Shares are listed; governmental fees, registered office fees and any other fees which are deemed necessary by the Servicer for administration of the Trust Estate, and (ii) *pro rata* reimbursement of expenses (including indemnities) of the Servicer required to be paid pursuant to the Servicing Agreement; and all expenses of the Administrator, the Listing and Paying Agent, the Securities Intermediary (if not the same person as the Trustee), the accountants and any fiscal agent retained in connection with the issuance of income notes, if any, in which the primary collateral for such income notes are obligations of the Issuer, any expenses of Investor Corp. and all other administrative expenses of the Co-Issuers, each as determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date and as set forth in the related Note Valuation Report.

"Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses": With respect to any Payment Date, (i) the Trustee Administrative Expenses for the Due Period relating to such Payment Date in excess of the amount paid pursuant to Clause FIRST of Section 11.1(b) for the corresponding period, (ii) the Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses for the Due Period relating to such Payment Date in excess of the amount paid pursuant to clause FIRST of Section 11.1(b) for the corresponding period and (iii) the administrative expenses or other amounts (including indemnities) paid or payable by the Issuer during the applicable Due Period, as determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date and as set forth in the related Note Valuation Report, in excess of the amount of the Issuer Base Administrative Expenses paid pursuant to Clause SECOND of Section 11.1(b).

"Issuer Order" and "Issuer Request": A written order or request dated and signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or a Person designated in writing by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer.

"LIBOR": For any Periodic Interest Accrual Period, the London interbank offered rate for three-month (or, for the period from the Closing Date to the November 2006 Payment Date, as described in Section 2.11 hereof) U.S. dollar deposits, as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.11 hereof.

"LIBOR Determination Date": The second London Business Day prior to the commencement of a Periodic Interest Accrual Period.

"Loan Funding Account": The account specified in Section 10.2 as that maintained by the Trustee into which the Issuer shall remit the full amount of the Issuer's commitment to make or otherwise fund draws related to any Delayed Drawdown Loans or Revolving Loans in the Portfolio Collateral.

"London Business Day": Any day on which dealings in deposits in U.S. dollars are transacted in the London interbank market.

"Majority Noteholders": The Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Outstanding Notes, voting as a single class; *provided that* upon the occurrence of a Default or an Event of Default pursuant to Section 5.1 hereof, "Majority

Noteholders" shall mean the Holders of more than 50% of the Controlling Class, voting together as a single class.

"Majority Preferred Shareholders": The Holders of more than 50% of the outstanding Preferred Shares.

"Mandatory Redemption": An O/C Redemption or a Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption.

"Mandatory Redemption Date": Any Payment Date on which an O/C Redemption or a Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption is required.

"Mandatory Redemption Price": When used with respect to an O/C Redemption or a Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption, an amount equal to the principal amount of the Notes being redeemed (or, in the case of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes, first to pay any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to such Notes and then to pay principal).

"Market Value": On any date of determination with respect to an item of Portfolio Collateral, any of:

(a) the average of the bid-side prices for the purchase of such item of Portfolio Collateral determined by an Approved Pricing Service that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer); or

(b) the arithmetic average of bid-side quotations for the purchase of such item of Portfolio Collateral obtained by the Servicer from three or more broker-dealers (*provided* if upon reasonable efforts of the Servicer, quotations from three broker-dealers are not available, the lower of the quotations from two broker-dealers may be used), in each case, Independent from the Servicer, in the relevant market; *provided* that one such bid must be from a broker-dealer other than Bear Stearns or an Affiliate of Bear Stearns and any bid received from Bear Stearns or an Affiliate of Bear Stearns hereunder cannot be more than 10% higher than the next highest bid; and

(c) if the determinations of the broker-dealers specified in the foregoing clauses (a) or (b) are not available (as reasonably determined by the Servicer) and so long as the Servicer is subject to the Investment Advisors Act of 1940, as amended, the bid-side market value of such item of Portfolio Collateral as certified by the Servicer as consistent with reasonable and customary market practice; *provided*, that, as of any date of determination (x) no more than 5.0% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of Portfolio Collateral may have market values determined in the manner provided in this clause (c) and (y) if the item of Portfolio Collateral constitutes collateral for any other issuer or account managed or serviced by the Servicer or its Affiliates, the Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral determined pursuant to this clause (c) shall be consistent with the market value applied by the Servicer or its Affiliates for such item of Portfolio Collateral for such for such other issuers or accounts; and

(d) if the market value cannot be determined in the manner described in clause (a), (b) or (c) above, an amount equal to the Principal Balance of the Portfolio Collateral as of



such date multiplied by the Applicable Percentage for such item of Portfolio Collateral; *provided*, that if the market value cannot be determined in the manner described in clauses (a), (b) or (c) above for more than thirty (30) Business Days immediately following any date such market value is determined pursuant to this clause (d), then the market value of such item of Portfolio Collateral shall be automatically deemed to be zero following such 30-Business-Day period until the market value can be determined in the manner described in clause (a), (b) or (c) above as of any date of determination;

*provided that* (A) for purposes of determining Market Value, but subject to clause (b) hereof, Bear Stearns will be deemed to be Independent from the Servicer (*provided that* any quotes received from such entity will be on an arm's-length basis); (B) the Market Value of any item of Portfolio Collateral with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment to sell but has not settled will be deemed to be the agreed sales price therefor (determined exclusive of accrued interest); and (C) the Market Value is determined only for purposes of compliance with covenants, coverage tests, overcollateralization tests, or any other requirements or tests set forth herein, or the determination of redemption prices.

"Maturity": With respect to any Note, the date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of such Note becomes due and payable as therein and herein provided, whether at the Final Maturity Date or by declaration of acceleration or otherwise.

"Maturity Extension": As defined in Section 2.3(b) hereof.

"Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test": A test that will be satisfied with respect to Moody's, by application of the Collateral Quality Matrix and with respect to S&P, if the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to the S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate then applicable in table set forth in the definition of S&P Break-Even Loss Rate.

"Monthly Report": The meaning specified in Section 10.5(a) hereof.

"Moody's": Moody's Investors Service, Inc. or any successor thereto.

"Moody's Default Probability Rating": For a Portfolio Loan which is (i) a Senior Secured Loan, the Moody's corporate family rating for the obligor of such Portfolio Loan and, if any such obligor does not have a Moody's corporate family rating, such rating will be determined in accordance with the methodology described in Schedule F or (ii) a Non-Senior Secured Loan, the Moody's senior unsecured rating for the obligor of such Portfolio Loan and, if any such obligor does not have a Moody's senior unsecured rating, such rating will be determined by reference to the Moody's long-term issuer rating of the obligor of such Portfolio loan and, if such obligor does not have a Moody's senior unsecured rating or a Moody's long-term issuer rating, such rating will be determined in accordance with the methodology described in Schedule F.

"Moody's Asset Correlation Test" or "MAC Test": A test satisfied on each Measurement Date if the Moody's Correlation Factor on such Measurement Date (rounded up to the nearest whole number) is equal to or less than the designated Moody's Correlation Factor determined by application of the Collateral Quality Matrix.

"Moody's Correlation Factor": a single number determined by the Servicer in accordance with the correlation methodology provided to the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator by Moody's, and for which the number of assets represented by (N) on the calculation shall always equal 100.

"Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate": The number obtained by summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each item of Portfolio Collateral (excluding Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) by the Applicable Percentage (according to the Moody's Priority Category) applicable to such item of Portfolio Collateral as set forth in the definition above, dividing such sum by the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Portfolio Collateral, and rounding up to the fourth decimal place.

"Moody's Priority Category": Senior Secured Loans, Non-Senior Secured Loans, DIP Loans and/or Synthetic Securities.

"Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate": For any item of Portfolio Collateral, the percentage specified in the definition of the term "Applicable Percentage" opposite the Moody's Priority Category of such item of Portfolio Collateral, taking into account the Rating Subcategories Difference applicable to such item of Portfolio Collateral.

"Moody's Rating": The rating determined in accordance with the methodology described in Schedule F.

"Moody's Weighted Average Rating": Shall have the meaning set forth in Schedule F.

"Moody's Weighted Average Rating Test": A test that will be satisfied by application of the Collateral Quality Matrix.

"Non-Senior Secured Loan": A Portfolio Loan that is not a Senior Secured Loan.

"Non-Call Period": The period beginning on the Closing Date and ending on August 1, 2010.

"Non-Consenting Holder": With respect to any supplemental indenture proposed pursuant to the Indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of the Notes or the Preferred Shares, any such Holder, or, in the case of Notes or Preferred Shares in global form, any beneficial owner, that either (i) has declared in writing that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) has not consented to such supplemental indenture within 15 Business Days from the date on which the Trustee provided notice of such proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture to such Holder or beneficial owner; *provided*, that in the case of the Non-Call Period, "Non-Consenting Holder" shall exclude any Holder of Class A-1LA Notes (unless such Holder has consented in writing to be designated as a Non-Consenting Holder) and the Amendment Buy-Out Option shall not be applicable to such Class A-1LA Notes.

"Non-U.S. Obligor": An issuer of or obligor on an item of Portfolio Collateral that is located outside the United States and is not a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor.

"Non-U.S. Person": A Person who is not a U.S. Person.

"Non-U.S. Person Certificate": A certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit G hereto.

"Noteholder" and "Holder": The Person in whose name a Note is registered in the Note Register.

"Noteholder Report": The meaning specified in Section 10.5(c) hereof.

"Note Register" and "Note Registrar": The respective meanings specified in Section 2.5 hereof.

"Note Valuation Report": The meaning specified in Section 10.5(b) hereof.

"Notes": The Class X Notes, the A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes.

"Notice": The meaning specified in Section 13.3 hereof.

"Notional Amount": When used with respect to the Preferred Shares, as of any date of determination, \$1.00 per Preferred Share.

"O/C Redemption": The redemption of a Class or Classes of Notes other than the Class X Notes (including, with respect to the Class B-1L Notes, the applicable Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount, as set forth herein), to the extent necessary such that the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test are satisfied, such tests to be calculated according to the method prescribed by Annex A and Annex B, respectively.

"Offer": With respect to any security, (a) any offer by the issuer of such security or by any other Person made to all of the holders of such class of security to purchase or otherwise acquire all such securities (other than pursuant to any redemption in accordance with the terms of the related Underlying Instruments) or to exchange such securities for any other security or other property or (b) any solicitation by the issuer of such security or any other Person to amend, modify or waive any provision of such security or any related Underlying Instrument.

"Officer": With respect to any corporation or company other than the corporation or company acting as Trustee, the Chief Executive Officer, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary or the Treasurer of such corporation or any other officer duly authorized by the Board of Directors; and with respect to the Trustee (and any other bank or trust company acting as trustee of an express trust or as custodian), any Responsible Officer thereof.

"Officer's Certificate": A certificate signed on behalf of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Servicer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Servicer, as the case may be.

"Opinion of Counsel": A written opinion, addressed to the Trustee (or on which the Trustee may rely) and in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee, of an attorney at law admitted to practice before the highest court of any state of the United States or the District of Columbia or, with respect to matters relating to the laws of the Cayman Islands, the Cayman Islands, which attorney or attorneys may, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, be counsel for the Issuer, the Servicer or the Trustee and who shall be reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee.

"Optional Redemption": A redemption of the Notes in whole pursuant to Section 9.1 hereof.

"Optional Redemption Date": The Payment Date fixed by the Issuer for an Optional Redemption, which shall be no earlier than the first Payment Date occurring in August 2010.

"Optional Redemption Price": With respect to each Class of Notes, an amount equal to the aggregate of (i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of such Class of Notes as of the Optional Redemption Date, (ii) the applicable Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Optional Redemption Date and (iii) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payments in respect of such Notes.

For any Partial Optional Redemption, the Optional Redemption Price shall be equal to the applicable Partial Redemption Percentage of the Optional Redemption Price that would have applied for a Total Optional Redemption occurring on the applicable Optional Redemption Date.

"Original HFP Share Amount": The amount of HFP Shares acquired by the Servicer Entities on the Closing Date.

"Original Portfolio Collateral": The Portfolio Collateral, including the Initial Portfolio Collateral, purchased by the Issuer with the Deposit on or before the Effective Date and, in the case of Portfolio Loans, which will be identified by the Issuer and for which commitments will be entered into on or prior to the Effective Date for purchase on or as soon as practicable thereafter (but not scheduled to exceed sixty (60) days thereafter) pursuant to Section 3.4 hereof.

"Original Portfolio Collateral Criteria": The requirements for the acquisition of Original Portfolio Collateral prior to the Effective Date, as set forth in Section 3.4 hereof.

"Outstanding": With respect to the Preferred Shares, as of the date of determination and subject to the proviso below, "Outstanding" refers to all Preferred Shares issued and indicated in the Share Register as outstanding. With respect to the Notes, as of the date of determination, "Outstanding" refers to all Notes theretofore authenticated and delivered under this Indenture except:

- (i) Notes theretofore canceled by the Note Registrar or delivered (or to be delivered pursuant to Sections 2.9 or 9.8 hereof) to the Note Registrar for cancellation;

(ii) Notes or portions thereof for whose payment or redemption money in the necessary amount has been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for the Holders of such Notes; *provided that*, if such Notes or portions thereof are to be redeemed, notice of such redemption has been duly given pursuant to this Indenture or provision therefor satisfactory to the Trustee has been made;

(iii) Notes in exchange for or in lieu of which other Notes have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to this Indenture, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Notes are held by a protected purchaser; and

(iv) Notes alleged to have been mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen for which replacement Notes have been issued as provided in Section 2.6 hereof;

*provided that*, in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Principal Amount have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver hereunder, Notes owned by or pledged to the Issuer, the Trustee or any other obligor upon the Notes or any Affiliate of the Issuer, the Trustee or of such other obligor, and solely for purposes of termination of the Servicer, the Servicer and any Affiliate thereof, shall be disregarded and deemed not to be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying upon any such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver, only Notes that a Responsible Officer of the Trustee has actual knowledge to be so owned or pledged shall be so disregarded.

"Overcollateralization Haircut Amount": With respect to any date of determination, an amount equal to the sum of:

(A) the greatest of the following:

(a) the product of (i) the applicable Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage multiplied by (ii) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all CLO Securities (other than Deferred Interest PIK Bonds and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) on such date of determination that have an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating within the CCC Rating Category;

(b) the product of (i) the applicable Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage multiplied by (ii) the excess, if any, of (x) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all CLO Securities included in the pledged Portfolio Collateral (other than Deferred Interest PIK Bonds and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) on such date of determination that have an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating within the B Rating Category or an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating within the CCC Category over (y) 5.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount as of the date of the applicable Overcollateralization Test; *provided that* at no time during the period commencing on the Closing Date through the Final Maturity Date, shall the Aggregate Principal Amount of all CLO Securities exempt from haircut based on subclause (y) above exceed in the aggregate 5.0% of the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount; and

(c) the product of (i) the applicable Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage multiplied by (ii) the excess, if any, of (x) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all CLO Securities included in the pledged Portfolio Collateral (other than Deferred Interest PIK Bonds and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) on such date of determination that have an S&P Rating or a

Moody's Rating within the BB Rating Category, the B Rating Category or the CCC Rating Category over (y) 10.25% of the Aggregate Par Amount as of the date of the applicable Overcollateralization Test; *provided* that if at the date of measurement, Portfolio Loans within the CCC Rating Category is less than 6.25% of the Aggregate Par Amount, then 10.25% will be increased by the difference between 6.25% and percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount representing Portfolio Loans in the CCC Rating Category; *provided* that in no event shall such percentage increase to greater than 15%;

*provided that* for the avoidance of doubt, for purposes of clauses (a), (b) and (c) above, the applicable Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage shall always be applied first to the lowest rated Portfolio Collateral that falls within such clause, then to the next lowest rated Portfolio Collateral, etc., so that the maximum applicable haircut shall be applied to the Portfolio Collateral;

plus

(B) the product of (i) the applicable Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage multiplied by (ii) the excess, if any, of (x) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Portfolio Loans included in the pledged Portfolio Collateral (other than Deferred Interest PIK Bonds and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) on such date of determination that have an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating within the CCC Rating Category over (y) 6.25% of the Aggregate Par Amount as of the applicable Overcollateralization Test.

"Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage": (i) With respect to CLO Securities with an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating falling within the BB Rating Category, 10%, (ii) with respect to CLO Securities with an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating falling within the B Rating Category, 20%, (iii) with respect to Portfolio Loans with an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating falling within the CCC Rating Category, the greater of (x) 30% and (y) one minus the weighted average Market Value of all Portfolio Loans with an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating falling within the CCC Rating Category and (iv) with respect to CLO Securities with an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating falling within the CCC Rating Category, 50%.

"Overcollateralization Ratio": The Class A Overcollateralization Ratio or the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio, as the context may require.

"Overcollateralization Ratio Adjustment": For purposes of calculating the Overcollateralization Ratios (i) items of Equity Portfolio Collateral shall not be included as Portfolio Collateral, (ii) items of Deferred Interest PIK Bonds and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral shall be included at the lesser of (a) the Market Value of such item of Deferred Interest PIK Bonds, Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and (b) the Applicable Percentage for such item of Deferred Interest PIK Bonds and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral multiplied by its Principal Balance; *provided* that any Portfolio Loan that has been an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral for four years shall not be included as Portfolio Collateral and any CLO Security that has been an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral for three years shall not be included as Portfolio Collateral, (iii) with respect to items of Discount Portfolio Collateral, an amount equal to the original purchase price of such item of Discount Portfolio Collateral shall be included as Portfolio

Collateral and (iv) to the extent the Aggregate Principal Amount of Current Pay Obligations exceeds 7.5% of the Aggregate Par Amount, such excess shall be included as Defaulted Portfolio Collateral. If an item of Portfolio Collateral could be classified in more than one of the categories set forth in clauses (i) through (iv), such item of Portfolio Collateral will not be discounted multiple times but will be treated in the applicable category that results in the largest discount to the par amount of such item of Portfolio Collateral. Notwithstanding the foregoing, there may be included as Portfolio Collateral (with respect to items (i) through (iv) above) such greater amount as confirmed by the Rating Agencies which will not result in a reduction or withdrawal of the then-current ratings assigned by them to any Class of the Notes.

"Overcollateralization Tests": With respect to any date of determination, tests met when the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class A Overcollateralization Percentage and the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Percentage, each relating to such date of determination.

"Partial Deferred Interest Bonds": Any debt obligation, with respect to which a portion of the interest thereon can be partially deferred without causing a payment default of such debt obligation under its underlying documents. For purposes of calculating the Weighted Average Coupon, the portion of interest that is deferrable with respect to any Partial Deferred Interest Bond will be assumed to be zero.

"Partial Optional Redemption": An Optional Redemption in part, in accordance with the terms specified herein.

"Partial Redemption Percentage": The percentage of Notes that will be subject to redemption *pro rata*.

"Participation": With respect to any Portfolio Loan, a participation interest in a commercial loan purchased from a Selling Institution that does not entitle the holder thereof to direct rights against the obligor.

"Paying Agent": The Trustee, the Irish Paying Agent or any other depository institution or trust company authorized by the Co-Issuers pursuant hereto to pay principal of or any interest that may become payable on any Class of Notes on behalf of the Co-Issuers.

"Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement": The agreement dated as of the Closing Date between the Issuer and the Paying and Transfer Agent with respect to the Preferred Shares.

"Paying and Transfer Agent": JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as Paying and Transfer Agent with respect to (i) the Preferred Shares and (ii) the preferred shares issued by Investor Corp.

"Payment Date": November 1, February 1, May 1 and August 1 of each year, commencing November 1, 2006 (or if any such date is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day).

"Payment Date Equity Securities" shall mean, with respect to any Payment Date, Distributable Equity Securities that the Issuer, in its sole discretion but on the advice of the Servicer, elects to distribute in lieu of cash on such Payment Date to the Holders of Preferred Shares in accordance with the terms hereof.

"Periodic Interest Accrual Period": With respect to any Payment Date, the period commencing on the prior Payment Date (or the Closing Date in the case of the first Payment Date) and ending on the day preceding such Payment Date.

"Periodic Interest Amount": With respect to the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes and the Class X Notes on any Payment Date, the aggregate amount of interest accrued at the Applicable Periodic Rate during the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period on (i) with respect to the first Payment Date, the average daily Aggregate Principal Amount of such Class of Notes during such Periodic Interest Accrual Period, and (ii) thereafter, the Aggregate Principal Amount of such Class of Notes on the first day of such Periodic Interest Accrual Period (after giving effect to any payment of principal of such Class of Notes on such day). With respect to each other Class of Notes and any Payment Date, the aggregate amount of interest accrued at the Applicable Periodic Rate during the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period on the Aggregate Principal Amount of such Class on the first day of such Periodic Interest Accrual Period (after giving effect to any payment of principal of such Class of Notes on such date, including in connection with a redemption of a Class of Notes on any date during the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period).

"Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount": With respect to each Class of Notes and any Payment Date, any shortfall or shortfalls in the payment of the Periodic Interest Amount on such Class of Notes with respect to any preceding Payment Date or Payment Dates, together with interest accrued thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate (net of all Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts, if any, paid with respect to such Class of Notes prior to such Payment Date).

"Periodic Reserve Amount": As of any date of determination, an amount equal to the sum of (i) the Trustee Administrative Expenses and Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses payable on the next succeeding Payment Date; (ii) without duplication of amounts payable pursuant to clause (i) hereof, the Issuer Base Administrative Expenses payable on the next succeeding Payment Date; (iii) the Base Fee Amount payable on the next succeeding Payment Date; (iv) the Cumulative Interest Amount for the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes and the Periodic Interest Amount for the Class B-1L Notes due on the next succeeding Payment Date; and (v) the Cumulative Class X Payment due on the next succeeding Payment Date.

"Permanent Global Note": The Rule 144A Global Notes and the Permanent Regulation S Global Notes.

"Permanent Regulation S Global Note": With respect to any Class, the permanent global note issued to Non-U.S. Persons in exchange for the Temporary Regulation S Global Note of such Class after the Distribution Compliance Period, the permanent global note substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibits A-1L-2, A-2L-2, A-3L-2 and B-1L-2.



"Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor": An issuer of or obligor on an item of Portfolio Collateral that is located in (a) a Group A Country or (b)(i) a Group B Country, (ii) any tax advantaged jurisdiction (including the Cayman Islands, Netherlands Antilles, Bermuda, Ireland, Luxembourg and the Channel Islands) or (iii) any tax advantaged jurisdiction or any tax neutral or other jurisdiction subject to Moody's and S&P confirming to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer that an immediate withdrawal, reduction or other adverse action with respect to any then current rating (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes will not occur as a result of such obligor being a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor); *provided* that, with respect to the obligors of an item of Portfolio Collateral qualifying as Permitted Non-U.S. Obligors under this clause (b)(ii), at least 80% of such obligor's underlying assets must be domiciled in the United States or another Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor jurisdiction to so qualify as a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor. For purposes of this definition, the Servicer may specify the location of a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor to be the country in which at least 80% of such obligor's underlying assets are domiciled, if such assets are domiciled in the United States or another Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor jurisdiction; *provided* that the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral as to which the Servicer so specifies the location of a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor may not exceed 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount. If the location of a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor is specified by the Servicer to be in a country other than where it is domiciled in accordance with the foregoing sentence, for purposes of the concentration limitations and collateral quality tests described herein, such item of Portfolio Collateral will be considered to be domiciled in the country so specified.

"Person": Any individual, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust (including any beneficiary thereof), unincorporated organization, government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

"PIK Bond": Any item of Portfolio Collateral that, pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments, permits the payment of interest thereon to be deferred and capitalized or otherwise provides that interest will accrue on such deferred interest or that issues identical securities in place of payments of interest in cash.

"Pledged Securities": On any date of determination, the Portfolio Collateral and the Eligible Investments in the Trust Estate.

"Portfolio Collateral": (I) Any United States dollar denominated commercial loan, including participation or assignment interests therein, in Registered form or Registered debt obligation (other than Eligible Investments) of any corporation, limited liability company, partnership, trust or other entity or of the United States government or any agency or instrumentality thereof or of any state or political subdivision or any agency or instrumentality thereof or of any sovereign issuer (including any security entitlement with respect thereto) and any United States Security Entitlement, which obligation, security entitlement or United States Security Entitlement, when Granted to the Trustee or committed to be purchased by the Issuer (with written notice to the Trustee):

(a) is an "eligible asset" as defined in Rule 3a-7;

(b) except as permitted under Section 12.10(b), provides for periodic payments of interest thereon in cash no less frequently than semiannually, or, in the case of Portfolio Loans, quarterly;

(c) provides for a fixed amount of principal to be payable according to a fixed schedule or at maturity;

(d) is not an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, an item of Equity Portfolio Collateral or a margin stock, or, except as permitted under Section 12.4, an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral;

(e) is not a zero-coupon bond, a bond that provides for a combination of no coupon and a fixed coupon, a step-up bond (except for step-up bonds providing for the payment of current interest at a rate no less than 5% *per annum* or Collateral LIBOR, if floating rate), other than with respect to the Initial Portfolio Collateral on the Closing Date, a Partial Deferred Interest Bond (except for such bonds providing for the payment of current interest at a rate no less than 5% *per annum* or Collateral LIBOR, if floating rate);

(f) is not currently the subject of an Offer that would result in (i) the Issuer owning a security not meeting the requirements of Portfolio Collateral, not paying current interest, or, in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, not expected to pay in full at maturity, or (ii) the Issuer receiving Eligible Investments or cash in a par amount less than that of the original security or the subject of an Exchange Offer;

(g) does not provide for conversion or exchange into equity capital at any time over its life (other than the exercise of any warrant, profit participation or other equity-like interest which is a component of a Unit);

(h) with respect to Portfolio Collateral which consists of Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral, has an interest rate which adjusts periodically in accordance with changes in one or more established indices at least one of which is the London interbank offered rate for one-, two-, three- or six-month U.S. dollar deposits and which adjusts at least semiannually or, with respect to items of Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral, has an interest rate that remains constant until the maturity of such obligations or is a Reset Debt Security; *provided* that not more than 5.0% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate may include items of Portfolio Collateral the interest rate on which adjusts in accordance with one or more indices that do not include the London interbank offered rate for one-, two-, three-, or six-month U.S. Dollar deposits;

(i) has coupon or other payments that are not subject to U.S. withholding tax and are not at time of purchase subject to foreign withholding tax unless the issuer of the security is required to make "gross-up" payments sufficient to cause the net amount to be received on the debt obligations to equal the amount that would have been paid had no such withholding tax applied;

(j) matures on or before August 1, 2021, or, if a Maturity Extension as occurred, the then applicable Extended Final Maturity Date, except that up to 5.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount may mature after such date but before 5 years after such date; *provided that*, with

respect to Portfolio Loans, no more than 3.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount may mature after August 1, 2021, or, if a Maturity Extension as occurred, the then applicable Extended Final Maturity Date, but before two years after such date and no Portfolio Loans may mature after two years after such date;

(k) the terms of which do not, unless it is a Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan, require the Holder to assume or otherwise undertake any funding obligations or liabilities (of a contingent nature or otherwise);

(l) is payable only in United States dollars;

(m) is not a Current Pay Obligation;

(n) is not a Debt Security;

(o) the S&P Rating of which does not include a subscript of "r", "t", "p", "pi" or "q" unless otherwise agreed to by Standard & Poor's in writing and a Moody's Rating that addresses the full amount of principal or interest indicated would be paid;

(p) any, during the Revolving Period, CLO Security has a Moody's Rating of "Ba2" or higher and an S&P Rating of "BB" or higher and, after the Revolving Period, are not CLO Securities;

(q) is not a PIK Bond which is currently deferring interest payments or receiving payments in-kind pursuant to the terms of the Underlying Instrument; and

(r) satisfies, together with the other Portfolio Collateral to be concurrently included in the Trust Estate, the other applicable criteria set forth in this Indenture, including the ratings guidelines and guidelines concerning issuer concentration and industry concentration; or

(II) a Synthetic Security; *provided* that the Servicer concludes, based on advice of counsel, that the Synthetic Security is an "eligible asset" for purposes of Rule 3a-7.

"Portfolio Improvement Exchange": The disposition, during the Revolving Period, of an item of Portfolio Collateral and corresponding acquisition of one or more items of Substitute Portfolio Collateral which in the aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Test, the Overcollateralization Tests and the other collateral criteria set forth in Section 12.2 being satisfied (or bring the total Portfolio Collateral closer to compliance with any such test or limitation) or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Tests or collateral criteria set forth in Section 12.2 is not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith would be improved and (ii) improving, on a net basis, the quality of the Portfolio Collateral as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Tests and collateral criteria set forth in Section 12.2, and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii) not causing any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Tests or collateral criteria set forth in Section 12.2, to be violated or significantly increase the likelihood of such violation in the future.

"Portfolio Loan": Interests in commercial loans included in the Portfolio Collateral.

"Post-Closing Sale Collateral": An asset acquired by the Issuer which as of the Closing Date has a commitment to be sold by the Issuer within 10 days of the Closing Date.

"Preferred Shares": The 33,200,000 Class I Preferred Shares of the Issuer, par value U.S.\$0.001 per share, and the 45,000,000 Class II Preferred Shares of the Issuer, par value U.S.\$0.001 per share, that will be issued on the Closing Date pursuant to the Issuer's Memorandum of Association and Articles of Association and any further Preferred Shares issued from time to time by the Issuer.

"Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses": With respect to any Payment Date (including without limitation the Final Maturity Date), the Paying and Transfer Agent's administrative expenses for each of the Issuer and Investor Corp. for the Due Period relating to such Payment Date.

"Preferred Shares Collection Account": The meaning set forth in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement.

"Premium": With respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral sold pursuant to the terms hereof or called pursuant to the terms thereof, the excess, if any, of (a) the sale or call price of such item of Portfolio Collateral less any accrued interest with respect to such item of Portfolio Collateral over (b) the Aggregate Principal Amount of such item of Portfolio Collateral.

"Principal Balance": With respect to any Pledged Security, as of any date of determination, the outstanding principal amount of such Pledged Security, *provided* that (i) unless otherwise stated herein or in the Indenture, the "Principal Balance" of any Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan shall refer to the sum of the outstanding aggregate principal amount of such Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan *plus* the amount of the unfunded portion of the Issuer's commitment to make or otherwise fund advances related thereto (to the extent, and without duplication, of amounts on deposit in the Loan Funding Account available to fund such advances), (ii) the "Principal Balance" of any Synthetic Security shall be equal to (a) in the case of any Synthetic Security other than a Default Swap, the outstanding principal amount of the Reference Obligation or the notional amount of the Synthetic Security related thereto and (b) in the case of any Default Swap, the cash and the principal amount of the securities in the related Default Swap Collateral Account reduced by the amount of any payments due and payable to the Default Swap Counterparty by reason of the occurrence of one or more "credit events" or other similar circumstances to the extent such payments have not yet been made; and (iii) with respect to any item of Equity Portfolio Collateral, the "Principal Balance" shall equal zero.

"Proceedings": Any suit in equity, action at law or other judicial or administrative proceeding.

"Proposed Portfolio": The Aggregate Par Amount resulting from the sale, maturity or other disposition of an item of Portfolio Collateral or a proposed purchase of an item of Portfolio Collateral, as the case may be.

"Purchased Accrued Interest": Interest accrued on or purchased with respect to an item of Portfolio Collateral as part of the price paid by the Issuer to acquire such item of Portfolio Collateral less any amount of Collateral Interest Collections applied by the Issuer to acquire such; *provided* that accrued interest on certain CLO Securities as indicated on Schedule A shall not constitute Purchased Accrued Interest.

"Qualified Institutional Buyer": A "qualified institutional buyer" within the meaning of Rule 144A.

"Qualified Purchaser": A "qualified purchaser" within the meaning of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act.

"Quarterly Collateral Amount": With respect to any Due Period, the average of (i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of Portfolio Collateral on the first day of such Due Period and (ii) the Aggregate Principal Amount of Portfolio Collateral on the last day of such Due Period. For purposes of such amounts, Equity Portfolio Collateral and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral shall be excluded in calculating the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral.

"Rating Agencies": Standard & Poor's and Moody's, collectively.

"Rating Condition": With respect to any Rating Agency and any action proposed to be taken under this Indenture, a condition that is satisfied when such Rating Agency has confirmed in writing to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer that no withdrawal, reduction or suspension (and not restored) with respect to any then current rating, if any, by such Rating Agency (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes will occur as a result of such proposed action.

"Rating Confirmation": Written confirmation from each of the Rating Agencies that it has not reduced or withdrawn (and not restored) the rating assigned by it on the Closing Date to any Class of Notes.

"Rating Confirmation Failure": A failure to obtain Rating Confirmation by the 35th day after the Effective Date (or if such day is not a Business Day, the succeeding Business Day).

"Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption": The redemption of a Class or Classes of Notes, as a result of a Rating Confirmation Failure pursuant to Section 9.2.

"Rating Subcategories Difference": The number of ratings subcategories difference between the rating by Moody's or, if not actually rated by Moody's, the Moody's Rating, of an item of Portfolio Collateral and the Moody's Default Probability Rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral.

"Record Date": With respect to any Payment Date, the Business Day immediately preceding such Payment Date; *provided however*, that if any Definitive Notes are issued, the Record Date for such Definitive Notes shall be fifteen calendar days preceding such Payment Date.

"Redemption Date Statement": The meaning specified in Section 10.5(e) hereof.

"Redemption Record Date": With respect to an Optional Redemption Date, a Special Redemption Date, a Tax Event Redemption Date or a Mandatory Redemption Date, the Business Day preceding such Optional Redemption Date, Special Redemption Date, Tax Event Redemption Date or Mandatory Redemption Date, and with respect to an Initial Deposit Redemption, the last day of the calendar month preceding the month in which the Initial Deposit Redemption Date occurs.

"Reference Banks": Four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer).

"Reference Obligation": A security or other debt obligation that satisfies the definition of Portfolio Collateral other than as to payment terms; *provided that* notwithstanding the definition thereof, a Reference Obligation may be a loan (but not a participation interest in a loan, except as permitted in the Indenture).

"Reference Obligor": The obligor under a Reference Obligation.

"Registered": When used with respect to any Portfolio Collateral or Eligible Investment, an instrument issued after July 18, 1984, that is in registered form for purposes of the Code.

"Regulation S": Regulation S promulgated under the Securities Act.

"Regulation S Global Note": Temporary Regulation S Global Notes, together with the Permanent Regulation S Global Notes.

"Regulation S Transferor Certificate": A certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit E hereto.

"Relevant Date": The Final Maturity Date, except that if the full amount payable on the Notes has not been duly received by the Trustee or Paying Agent on or prior to the Final Maturity Date, the "Relevant Date" shall be the date on which such monies have been so received.

"Repository": Shall mean the internet-based password protected electronic repository of transaction documents relating to privately offered and sold collateralized debt obligation securities located at "[www.cdolibrary.com](http://www.cdolibrary.com)".

"Required Portfolio Collateral Amount": U.S. \$850,000,000.

"Requisite Noteholders": The Holders of at least 60% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Outstanding Notes (voting as a single class); *provided that* (i) upon the occurrence of a Default or an Event of Default under this Indenture, "Requisite Noteholders" shall mean the Holders of at least 60% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Controlling Class. If the Person that is acting as Trustee hereunder is a Holder of any Note for its own account, such Person shall be excluded as a Holder for purposes of this definition in connection

with the consent or approval by Noteholders of any supplemental indenture affecting the provisions hereof relating to the Trustee.

"Reserve Account": The meaning specified in Section 10.2 hereof.

"Reserve Amount": A portion of the proceeds from the sale of the Notes in an amount equal to US\$1,600,000 to fund a portion of the payments to be made on any Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments, or to otherwise fund any payments of interest or principal on the Notes at the direction and the sole discretion of the Servicer.

"Reset Debt Security": An item of Portfolio Collateral bearing a rate of interest that varies periodically (including, without limitation, daily), which at the time of its inclusion in the Trust Estate has a minimum rate of interest of at least 5.0% *per annum* with respect to Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral or Collateral LIBOR with respect to Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral, and which minimum interest rate is not subject to adjustment on or after its inclusion in the Trust Estate, pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instrument to a rate of interest which is lower than the rate of interest borne by such item of Portfolio Collateral on the date that such item of Portfolio Collateral was included in the Trust Estate.

"Responsible Officer": When used with respect to the Trustee, any officer within the Corporate Trust Office (or any successor group of the Trustee) including any vice president, assistant vice president, assistant treasurer, assistant secretary, trust officer or any other officer of the Trustee customarily performing functions similar to those performed by the persons who at the time shall be such officers, respectively, or to whom any corporate trust matter is referred within the Corporate Trust Office because of his or her knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject.

"Retained Accrued Interest" Any accrued and unpaid interest with respect to any Portfolio Collateral which was not included in the purchase price for such collateral at the time of purchase.

"Revolving Loan": A Portfolio Loan that, pursuant to the agreement or instrument that governs the rights and obligations of the parties thereto, would obligate the Issuer, if the Issuer were to purchase such Portfolio Loan for inclusion in the Trust Estate, to make or otherwise fund one or more future advances to the related borrower.

"Revolving Period": The period beginning on the Closing Date and ending on the earliest of (i) August 1, 2011 for Portfolio Loans or August 1, 2009 for CLO Securities or, in the case of an Extension, the Extended Revolving Period End Date; *provided* that Portfolio Loans and CLO Securities may be purchased for the period of any such Extension, and (ii) the occurrence and continuance of an Event of Default; *provided* that in no event shall date of termination of the Revolving Period be determined on the basis of the Market Value of the Portfolio Collateral.

"Rule 144A": Rule 144A promulgated under the Securities Act.

"Rule 144A Global Note": With respect to any Class, the permanent global note issued to U.S. Persons.

"Rule 144A Transferor Certificate": A certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit D hereto.

"Rule 3a-7": Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act.

"Sale": The meaning specified in Section 5.18 hereof.

"Sale Restriction Condition": Shall mean (x) with respect to sales of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, if the rating of the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB or the Class A-2L Notes has been downgraded at least one rating sub-category below the original rating by Moody's (and such original rating has not been restored to the original rating) or the original rating of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes or the Class B-1L Notes has been downgraded at least two rating sub-categories by Moody's (and has not been restored to a rating no more than one rating sub-category below the original rating of such Class of Notes), or if the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio is less than 90% of the Class A Overcollateralization Percentage or (y) with respect to sales of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, if the original rating of the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes or the Class A-2L Notes has been downgraded at least one rating sub-category by Moody's (and such original rating has not been restored) or the original rating of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes or the Class B-1L Notes has been downgraded at least two rating sub-categories by Moody's (and has not been restored to a rating no more than one rating sub-category below the original rating of such Class of Notes).

"Schedule of Portfolio Collateral": The Initial Portfolio Collateral listed on Schedule A hereto, as amended from time to time to reflect Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate, including the inclusion of Portfolio Collateral purchased pursuant to Section 3.4(a) hereof, the inclusion of Additional Portfolio Collateral as provided in Section 11.3 hereof, the release of Portfolio Collateral pursuant to Article X hereof, and the inclusion of Substitute Portfolio Collateral as provided in Section 12.4 hereof.

"Scheduled Distribution": With respect to any Pledged Security, for each Due Date after the date of determination, the scheduled payment of principal and/or interest due on such Due Date with respect to such Pledged Security, determined in accordance with the assumptions specified in Section 1.3 hereof.

"Secured Parties": The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses hereof.

"Securities Act": The United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

"Securities Intermediary": The meaning specified in Section 6.15 hereof.

"Securities Lending Agreements": The meaning specified in Section 7.19 hereof.

"Securities Lending Collateral": The meaning specified in Section 7.19 hereof.

"Securities Lending Counterparty": The meaning specified in Section 7.19 hereof.



"Selling Institution": The seller of a Participation or, if applicable, its guarantor, which has a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A2" by Moody's and at least "A" by S&P at the time such Participation is committed to be acquired by the Issuer.

"Senior Class A Notes": The Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes and the Class A-2L Notes.

"Senior Class Overcollateralization Ratio" With respect to a determination made as of any date of calculation, the ratio (expressed as a percentage) obtained by dividing (a) the sum of (1) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate (other than items of Equity Portfolio Collateral, which shall not be included as Portfolio Collateral) as of such date, *plus* (2) the sum of the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Collection Account representing Collateral Principal Collections plus the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Initial Deposit Account plus unpaid Purchased Accrued Interest, each as of such date by (b) the sum of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Senior Class A Notes (including for this purpose any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts with respect to such Class of Notes not paid when due, until such amounts, if any, are paid in full) as of such date.

"Senior Secured Loan": A loan that (i) is not (and by its terms is not permitted to become) subordinate in right of payment to any other debt for borrowed money incurred by the obligor under such loan and (ii) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under such Senior Secured Loan, which security interest or lien is not subordinate to the security interest or lien securing any other debt for borrowed money. For the avoidance of doubt, any second lien Portfolio Loan which has a Moody's obligation rating at least equal to the Moody's corporate family implied rating of such issuer, will be treated as Senior Secured Loan for the purposes of determining Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate.

"Servicer": Highland Capital Management, L.P., unless and until a successor Person becomes the servicer pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement, and thereafter "Servicer" shall mean such successor Person.

"Servicer Entities": Collectively, the Servicer, entities affiliated with the Servicer or clients of the Servicer.

"Servicer Order" and "Servicer Request": A written order or request dated and signed in the name of the Servicer by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer.

"Servicing Agreement": The Servicing Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Servicer, and if amended as permitted therein and in Section 14.1(f), as so amended.

"Servicing Fee Portion": 100% minus (a) for any Payment Date prior to the two-year anniversary of the Closing Date, the Class II Preferred Share Percentage for such Payment Date and (b) for any other Payment Date, a percentage selected by the Servicer in its sole discretion.

"Share Register": The register maintained under the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement for the Preferred Shares and any other shares of the Issuer.

"Share Registrar": Maples Finance Limited or any successor thereto appointed by the Issuer.

"Special Redemption": A redemption of the Notes pursuant to Section 9.4 hereof.

"Special Redemption Date": The Payment Date during the Revolving Period fixed by the Issuer for a Special Redemption.

"Special Redemption Price": When used with respect to a Special Redemption, an amount equal to the principal amount of the Notes being redeemed (or, in the case of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes, first to pay any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to such Notes and then to pay principal).

"Standard & Poor's" or "S&P": Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc., or any successor thereto.

"Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor": The dynamic, analytical computer model developed by Standard & Poor's and used to estimate default risk of Portfolio Collateral and provided to the Servicer, the Issuer and the Trustee on or before the Effective Date, as it may be modified by Standard & Poor's in connection with its confirmation of the ratings of the Notes following the Closing Date.

"Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor Test": A test that is satisfied if, after giving effect to the sale of an item of Portfolio Collateral or the purchase of an item of Portfolio Collateral (or both), as the case may be (i) the S&P Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive or (ii) the S&P Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is greater than the S&P Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio.

"Standard & Poor's Industry Category": When used with respect to an item of Portfolio Collateral, any of the industry categories established by Standard & Poor's set forth in Schedule B hereto, and any additional categories that may be subsequently established by Standard & Poor's.

"Standard & Poor's Preferred Format": A Microsoft Excel file (or such other format agreed by Standard & Poor's) of the Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor input file and, with respect to each item of Portfolio Collateral, the name of each obligor thereon, the CUSIP number thereof (if applicable) and the Standard & Poor's Industry Category thereof.

"Standard & Poor's Rating": The rating determined in accordance with the methodology described in Schedule D.

"S&P Break-Even Loss Rate": At any time, the maximum percentage of defaults which the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, can sustain, as determined by S&P through application of the Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor, which, after giving effect to S&P's assumptions on recoveries and timing and to the priority of payments, will result in

sufficient funds remaining for the principal repayment of the Notes in full and the timely payment, as applicable, of interest on each Class of Notes. The Issuer shall cause the relevant version of the Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor Test provided by S&P to be run to determine the appropriate S&P Break-Even Loss Rate.

Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor	Weighted Average Spread	S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate			
		AAA	AA	A	BBB
1	255	46.48%	47.69%	48.98%	51.21%
2	255	45.80%	47.01%	48.30%	50.53%
3	255	47.90%	48.91%	49.98%	51.84%
4	245	45.80%	47.01%	48.30%	50.53%
5	245	46.48%	47.69%	48.98%	51.21%
6	265	45.80%	47.01%	48.30%	50.53%
7	265	45.50%	46.71%	48.00%	50.24%

**"S&P Loss Differential"**: At any time, the rate calculated by subtracting the S&P Scenario Loss Rate from the S&P Break-Even Loss Rate at such time.

**"S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate"**: The number obtained by summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each item of Portfolio Collateral (excluding Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) by the Applicable Percentage (according to the S&P Priority Category) applicable to such item of Portfolio Collateral as set forth in the definition above, dividing such sum by the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Portfolio Collateral (excluding Defaulted Portfolio Collateral), and rounding up to the fourth decimal place.

**"S&P Priority Category"**: Senior secured Portfolio Loans and Debt Securities, second lien Portfolio Loans, senior unsecured Portfolio Loans and Debt Securities, subordinated Portfolio Loans and Debt Securities, DIP Loans and Synthetic Securities.

**"S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate"**: For any item of Portfolio Collateral, the percentage specified in the definition of the term "Applicable Percentage" opposite the S&P Priority Category of item of Portfolio Collateral.

**"S&P Scenario Loss Rate"**: At any time, an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, consistent with a "AAA" rating of the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes and the Class X Notes, a "AA" rating of the Class A-2L Notes, a "A" rating of the Class A-3L Notes, a "A-" rating of the Class A-4L Notes and a "BBB" rating of the Class B-1L Notes, in each case by Standard & Poor's, determined by application of the Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor at such time.

"Subsequent Delivery Date": A date fixed by the Issuer for the delivery of an item of Portfolio Collateral to be included in the Trust Estate after the Effective Date.

"Substitute Portfolio Collateral": An item of Portfolio Collateral that is Delivered to the Trustee under this Indenture as security for the Notes in accordance with Section 12.4 hereof.

"Supplemental Fee Amount": The amount used to pay the Supplemental Servicing Fee pursuant to clause FOURTEENTH(a) of Section 11.1(c)(i) and clause FOURTEENTH(a) of Section 11.(d).

"Supplemental Servicing Fee": For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Supplemental Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (b) the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date.

"Suspension Trigger Event": As of any date of determination, (I) the ratio (expressed as a percentage) obtained by dividing (a) the sum of (1) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate as of such date, calculated in accordance with the Overcollateralization Ratio Adjustment less the Overcollateralization Haircut Amount, if any, plus (2) the sum of the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Collection Account, representing Collateral Principal Collections plus the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Initial Deposit Account plus unpaid Purchased Accrued Interest, each as of such date by (b) the sum of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes (including for this purpose any unpaid Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts with respect to such Classes of Notes not paid when due, until such amounts, if any, are paid in full) as of such date, is than (II) 110%.

"Synthetic Security": Any (I) U.S. dollar denominated swap transaction, security issued by a trust or similar vehicle or other asset purchased from or entered into by the Issuer with a Synthetic Security Counterparty the returns on which (as determined by the Servicer) are linked to the credit performance of a Reference Obligation, but which may provide for a different maturity, payment dates or interest rate or interest rate basis than such Reference Obligation; *provided* that, either (A) (i) such Synthetic Security will not require the Issuer to make any payment to the Synthetic Security Counterparty after the initial purchase thereof by the Issuer, (ii) the ownership of such Synthetic Security, based on the Servicer's determination (which may include consultation with counsel to the Issuer), is not expected to subject the Issuer to withholding tax, (iii) such Synthetic Security terminates on or prior to the redemption or repayment in full of the Reference Obligation, (iv) the principal amount of such Synthetic Security is equal to the principal amount of the Reference Obligation, (v) all scheduled payments made pursuant to the terms of such Synthetic Security are at a fixed or floating interest rate based on an interest rate used for borrowings or financings in domestic or international markets or are linked to the payments on one or more Reference Obligations (which payments are themselves at a fixed interest rate or such floating rate), (vi) the minimum coupon on such Synthetic Security is 6.0%, if such Synthetic Security is fixed rate, (vii) the minimum margin on such Synthetic Security is 0.60%, if such Synthetic Security is floating rate, (viii) the terms of such Synthetic Security provide that upon maturity, acceleration or any early termination of such Synthetic Security, the Synthetic Security Counterparty of such Synthetic Security must deliver the Reference Obligation or an amount greater than or equal to the then par amount of the Reference

Obligation, except (a) the Issuer may accept an amount equal to the fair market value of the Reference Obligation if the Servicer chooses to terminate such Synthetic Security in connection with the sale of such Synthetic Security as Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, Defaulted Portfolio Collateral or Equity Portfolio Collateral or pursuant to the right of the Issuer to sell Portfolio Collateral which is not Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, Defaulted Portfolio Collateral or Equity Portfolio Collateral or (b) following a credit event with respect to the Reference Obligation, the Issuer may accept an amount equal to the fair market value of such Reference Obligation; *provided, however*, that this clause (viii) shall not apply to an acceleration or early termination upon the exercise of any put or call provision of the Synthetic Security or any Reference Obligation, (ix) upon the exercise of any put or call provision of the Synthetic Security or any Reference Obligation, the holder of such Synthetic Security will receive a Reference Obligation or an amount greater than or equal to the par amount of such Reference Obligation, plus, if the Reference Obligation is a bond, accrued interest, (x) such Synthetic Security will not constitute a commodity option, leverage transaction or futures contract that is subject to the jurisdiction of the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission, (xi) the acquisition of such Synthetic Security would not cause the Issuer to be "engaged in a U.S. trade or business" for Federal income tax purposes or otherwise cause the Issuer (or the beneficial owners thereof) to become subject to U.S. net income tax, (xii) the Underlying Instrument with respect to such Synthetic Security is governed by the laws of the State of New York, contains a non-petition clause and a limited recourse clause, each as against the Issuer, and is documented with a standard ISDA form master agreement, as modified by appropriate schedules and confirmations and (xiii) total payments including termination payments may not exceed the notional amount of such Synthetic Security; *provided* that if any Reference Obligation delivered pursuant to any Synthetic Security does not constitute Portfolio Collateral and would cause a breach of any concentration limitation, such Reference Obligation shall be deemed Equity Portfolio Collateral, and (B) (i) such Synthetic Security is a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or (ii) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the purchase of such Synthetic Security; *provided further*, that any Synthetic Security shall be positively indexed to the related Reference Obligation on no more than a one-to-one basis and (II) any Default Swap.

"Synthetic Security Counterparty": An entity which is required to make payments to the Issuer on a Synthetic Security to the extent that the issuer of the related Reference Obligation makes payments thereon pursuant to the terms of such Synthetic Security and any Default Swap Counterparty.

"Tax Event Redemption": A redemption of the Notes in whole pursuant to Section 9.5 hereof.

"Tax Event Redemption Date": The Payment Date fixed by the Issuer for a Tax Event Redemption.

"Tax Event Redemption Price": An amount equal to the aggregate of (i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Notes as of the Tax Event Redemption Date and (ii) the applicable Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to each Class of Notes as of the Tax Event Redemption Date.

"Temporary Regulation S Global Notes": With respect to any Notes issued to Non-U.S. Persons that will be represented by a temporary global note, the temporary global note substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibits A-1L-1, A-2L-1, A-3L-1 and B-1L-1.

"Total Optional Redemption": An Optional Redemption in whole, in accordance with the terms specified herein.

"Transaction Documents": This Indenture, the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Servicing Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement.

"Transfer Agent": Any transfer agent appointed by the Issuer.

"Transferor Certificates": Collectively, the Regulation S Transferor Certificate and the Rule 144A Transferor Certificate.

"Trust Estate": The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses of this Indenture.

"Trust Termination Date": The date on which the obligations of the Issuer hereunder are terminated as set forth in Section 4.1 or Section 9.11 hereof.

"Trustee": As defined in the first sentence of this Indenture.

"Trustee Administrative Expenses": With respect to any Payment Date (including without limitation the Final Maturity Date), fees, expenses or other amounts due or accrued and payable to the Trustee for the Due Period relating to such Payment Date, including, but not limited to, all amounts payable to the Trustee under Section 6.7 hereof and all fees and expenses pursuant to duties performed as Collateral Administrator and Paying and Transfer Agent, and as paying and transfer agent of Investor Corp., *provided* such payment pursuant to clause FIRST of Section 11.1(b) shall not exceed on such Payment Date one-quarter of 0.0275% of the Aggregate Par Amount as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date (such amount subject to a minimum of U.S.\$74,000 per annum), plus U.S.\$7,500 per annum for payments of expenses and certain other amounts under Section 6.7, if any.

"Trustee Fee Letter Agreement": The Trustee fee letter agreement, dated as of May 1, 2006.

"Trustee Payment-Related Event of Default": An Event of Default caused solely by and based solely upon a failure to pay any amounts owing to the Trustee or the Paying and Transfer Agent pursuant to Section 6.7 hereof or to the Paying and Transfer Agent pursuant to Section 11 of the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement (other than the amount payable to the Trustee as its fee (but not expenses) under the Trustee Fee Letter Agreement).

"UCC": The New York Uniform Commercial Code.

"Underlying Instrument": With respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral, any loan participation agreement, loan assignment agreement, indenture, pooling and servicing agreement, trust agreement, instrument, or other agreement pursuant to which such item of Portfolio Collateral has been created or issued or of which the holders of such item of Portfolio

Collateral are the beneficiaries, and any instrument evidencing or constituting such item of Portfolio Collateral (in the case of Portfolio Collateral evidenced by or in the form of instruments).

"Underlying Loan and Security Agreement": Any agreement (other than an Underlying Instrument) which governs the terms of or guarantees or secures the obligations represented by any Portfolio Collateral or of which the holders of such Portfolio Collateral are the beneficiaries (which in the case of a Portfolio Loan which is a Participation shall include the loan and security documentation with respect to the underlying loan).

"Unit": An item of Portfolio Collateral with a warrant, profit participation or other equity-based feature (including but not limited to convertible bonds) included as a component thereof which otherwise meets the requirements for Portfolio Collateral; *provided* that (i) the value of such warrant, profit participation or other equity-based feature at the time of purchase, as determined by the Servicer in good faith, is less than 2% of the purchase price of such item of Portfolio Collateral and (ii) such warrant, profit participation or other equity-like feature at the time of purchase shall not, relate to or be exchangeable for, margin stock.

"United States Regulations": 31 C.F.R. Part 357, Subpart B; 12 C.F.R. Part 615, Subparts O, R and S; 12 C.F.R. Part 987; 12 C.F.R. Part 1511; 24 C.F.R. Part 81, Subpart H; 31 C.F.R. Part 354; 18 C.F.R. Part 1314; and 24 C.F.R. Part 350.

"United States Security Entitlement": A Security Entitlement as defined in a United States Regulation.

"Unregistered Securities": The meaning specified in Section 5.18(c) hereof.

"Unscheduled Principal Proceeds": Collateral Principal Collections received by the Issuer from an unscheduled prepayment, in whole or in part, by the obligor of an item of Portfolio Collateral prior to the stated maturity date of such item of Portfolio Collateral, including without limitation, any Collateral Disposition Proceeds received from the sale of any item of Portfolio Collateral received in an Offer, Exchange Offer or similar tender, whether such tender required action on the part of the Issuer or otherwise.

"USA PATRIOT Act": The Uniting and Strengthening America By Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001.

"U.S. Person":

- (i) (a) a citizen of the United States;
- (b) a natural person who is a resident of the United States or a resident alien of the United States as defined by section 7701(b) of the Code;
- (c) any partnership (unless otherwise provided in the regulations), corporation or other entity created, organized or incorporated in or under the laws of the United States, its states, territories or possessions, or the District of Columbia;

(d) any estate or trust as defined by section 7701(a)(30)(D) and (E) of the Code, respectively; or

(ii) as defined in Regulation S, as the context may require.

"Weighted Average Coupon": The amount (rounded up to the nearest 0.001%) determined by summing the products obtained by multiplying, for each item of Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral then included in the Trust Estate (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral), the Principal Balance of such item of Portfolio Collateral and the stated rate of interest of such item of Portfolio Collateral and then dividing such sum by the Aggregate Principal Amount of all of the Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) as of such date of determination.

"Weighted Average Coupon Test": A test that will be satisfied by application of the Collateral Quality Matrix, after giving effect to any Coupon Adjustment.

"Weighted Average Life": As of any date of determination, the amount determined by summing the products obtained by multiplying, for each item of Portfolio Collateral (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) then included in the Trust Estate, the Principal Balance of such item of Portfolio Collateral and the Average Life (as such term is defined below) of such item of Portfolio Collateral as of such date of determination and then dividing such sum by the Aggregate Principal Amount of all of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate as of such date of determination. For any item of Portfolio Collateral (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral), the "Average Life" shall be equal to the number of years obtained by dividing (a) the Principal Balance of such item of Portfolio Collateral into (b) the sum of the products obtained by multiplying (i) the amount of each of the remaining, required principal payments on such item of Portfolio Collateral by (ii) the number of years (calculated to the nearest one-twelfth) that will have elapsed between such date of determination and the making of such payment.

"Weighted Average Life Requirement": A test that will be satisfied on any date of determination if the Weighted Average Life on such date of all items of Portfolio Collateral (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) is equal to or less than the number of years set forth in Schedule I hereto opposite the period set forth in Schedule I hereto in which such test is being measured. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Weighted Average Life may vary from the restrictions set forth above, if the Rating Agencies have confirmed such variance would not result in a withdrawal or downgrade of any of the then current ratings assigned by them to the Notes.

"Weighted Average Margin": The amount (rounded up to the nearest 0.001%) equal to (i) the sum of the products obtained by multiplying the margin over Collateral LIBOR on each item of Floating Rate Collateral (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) as of the date of calculation (which will be determined for items of Floating Rate Collateral that do not bear interest based on Collateral LIBOR by expressing the current interest rate on such Floating Rate Collateral as a margin above or below three-month LIBOR on the date of determination, which margin will be expressed as a negative number if such current interest rate is lower than three-month LIBOR) by the Principal Balance of such item of Floating Rate Collateral (other



than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) as of such date, divided by (ii) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all such Floating Rate Collateral (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) on such date. For purposes of calculating the Weighted Average Margin for any Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan, the principal balance representing the funded portion will be multiplied by the margin above Collateral LIBOR and the principal balance representing the unfunded portion will be multiplied by the commitment fee related thereto. If an item of Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral does not provide for Collateral LIBOR, the margin for this purpose shall be equal to the then applicable interest rate minus then current LIBOR. If an item of Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral has a Collateral LIBOR floor, the excess of such floor rate over Collateral LIBOR will be added to the margin above Collateral LIBOR for purposes of calculating the Weighted Average Margin of such item of Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral.

"Weighted Average Margin Test": A test that will be satisfied by application of the Collateral Quality Matrix, after giving effect to any Coupon Adjustment.

#### Section 1.2. Other Definitional Provisions.

All references in this instrument to designated "Annexes," "Articles," "Sections," "Subsections" and other subdivisions are to the designated Annexes, Articles, Sections, Subsections and other subdivisions of this instrument as originally executed. The words "herein," "hereof," "hereunder" and other words of similar import refer to this Indenture as a whole and not to any particular Annex, Article, Section, Subsection or other subdivision. Unless the context otherwise requires, terms defined in the UCC and not otherwise defined in this Indenture shall have the meanings set forth in the UCC.

Any reference herein to a "beneficial interest" in a security also shall mean, unless the context otherwise requires, a security entitlement with respect to such security, and any reference herein to a "beneficial owner" or "beneficial holder" of a security also shall mean, unless the context otherwise requires, the holder of a security entitlement with respect to such security.

#### Section 1.3. Assumptions as to Portfolio Collateral and Trust Estate.

Except as otherwise expressly set forth herein, in connection with all calculations required to be made pursuant to this Indenture with respect to Scheduled Distributions on any Pledged Security, or any payments on any other assets included in the Trust Estate, and with respect to the income that can be earned on Scheduled Distributions on such Pledged Securities and on any other amounts that may be received for deposit in the Collection Account, the provisions set forth in this Section 1.3 shall apply.

All calculations with respect to Scheduled Distributions on the Pledged Securities shall be made on the basis of information as to the terms of each such Pledged Security and upon accounting of payments, if any, received on such Pledged Security that are furnished by or on behalf of the issuer of such Pledged Security and such information or report may be conclusively relied upon in making such calculations.

For each Due Period, the Scheduled Distributions on any Pledged Security (excluding any item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and Equity Portfolio Collateral, as to which Scheduled Distributions shall be assumed to be zero) shall be the amount required to be paid (including coupon payments, accrued interest, scheduled principal payments, if any, by way of sinking fund payments which are assumed to be on a *pro rata* basis or other scheduled amortization of principal (excluding any optional redemption), return of principal, and redemption premium, if any) that, if paid as scheduled, will be available in the Collection Account at the end of such Due Period. For purposes of calculating interest on Pledged Securities that have a rate of interest which varies with an objective index, the interest to be received thereon shall be assumed to be equal to the interest that would be received on such Pledged Security if the rate of interest accruing on such Pledged Security on the date of determination were to remain constant for each succeeding Due Period.

Each Scheduled Distribution with respect to a Pledged Security shall be assumed to be received on the applicable Due Date, and each such Scheduled Distribution shall be assumed to be immediately deposited in the Collection Account and to earn interest at the Assumed Interest Rate. All funds assumed to earn interest as provided herein shall be assumed to continue to earn interest at the applicable rate until the date on which they are required to be available in the Collection Account for application, in accordance with the terms hereof, to payment of principal of or interest on the Notes or other amounts payable or otherwise for application in accordance with the terms of this Indenture.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Indenture if the Trustee receives an Issuer Order or Issuer Request and also receives a Servicer Order or Servicer Request with respect to the same subject matter, the Issuer Order or Issuer Request, as the case may be, shall supersede any such Servicer Order or Servicer Request and be the controlling order or request hereunder.

## ARTICLE II

### THE NOTES

#### Section 2.1. Forms Generally.

(a) The Notes and the Trustee's certificate of authentication thereon shall be in substantially the forms required by this article with such appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions and other variations as are required or permitted by this Indenture, and may have such letters, numbers or other marks of identification and such legends or endorsements placed thereon, as may, consistently herewith, be determined by the Authorized Officer of the Issuer executing such Notes as evidenced by such Authorized Officer's execution of such Notes. Any portion of the text of any Note may be set forth on the reverse thereof, with an appropriate reference thereto on the face of the Note.

(b) Regulation S Notes. The Class A-1L Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes and the Class X Notes initially sold to Non-U.S. Persons in "offshore transactions" (within the meaning of Regulation S) shall be represented initially by single global notes (the "Temporary Regulation S Global Notes") in fully

registered form without coupons, authenticated and delivered in substantially the forms attached hereto as Exhibit A-1L-1, Exhibit A-2L-1, Exhibit A-3L-1, Exhibit B-1L-1 and [Exhibit X-1], respectively. The Issuer shall deposit such Notes on behalf of the subscribers for such Notes with the Trustee as custodian (in such capacity, the "Custodian") for the Depository, registered in the name of a nominee of the Depository for the accounts of each of the Clearance Systems, for credit by the Clearance Systems to the respective accounts designated by the subscribers of such Notes (or to such other accounts as they may direct) at each of the Clearance Systems. The Temporary Regulation S Global Notes shall be exchanged for interests in the Permanent Regulation S Global Notes as set forth below. The Permanent Regulation S Global Notes shall be substantially in the form set forth as Exhibit A-1L-2, Exhibit A-2L-2, Exhibit A-3L-2, Exhibit B-1L-2 and [Exhibit X].

After the expiration of the Distribution Compliance Period beneficial interests in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note of each Class shall be exchanged for a Permanent Regulation S Global Note for such Class pursuant to and as provided below.

Without unnecessary delay but in any event prior to the termination of the Distribution Compliance Period, the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent the Permanent Regulation S Global Notes executed by the Co-Issuers. Upon the termination of the Distribution Compliance Period, any Classes of Temporary Regulation S Global Notes shall be surrendered by the Custodian to the Trustee, in each case as the Issuer's agent for such purpose (or, at the Authenticating Agent's option, the Custodian shall be instructed by the Authenticating Agent or the Trustee to endorse each such Temporary Regulation S Global Note to reduce the principal amount thereof), to be exchanged, in whole or from time to time in part, for a Permanent Regulation S Global Note without charge and the Authenticating Agent shall authenticate and deliver to the Custodian for delivery in exchange for each such Temporary Regulation S Global Note or the portions thereof to be exchanged, an equal aggregate principal amount of a Permanent Regulation S Global Note, as shall be specified by the Custodian; *provided that*, upon such presentation by the Custodian: (i) the Trustee receives a certificate substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit F attached hereto, and signed by the respective Clearance System as to the portions of each Temporary Regulation S Global Note held for the respective accounts of such Clearance System, that it has received from each beneficial owner of the portion of each Temporary Regulation S Global Note then to be exchanged, written certification substantially to the effect set forth in Exhibit G attached hereto, with such changes therein as shall be approved by the Issuer, (ii) none of the Trustee or any Paying Agent have actual knowledge, nor have they received notification from the Issuer with respect to the original issuance and distribution of the Global Notes that such Person has actual knowledge, that such certificate is false, and (iii) the Trustee and any Paying Agent do not have a United States address as the address for payment to any Holder of the Permanent Regulation S Global Note issuable upon such exchange. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event of redemption in whole or acceleration of all or any part of the Notes prior to the termination of the Distribution Compliance Period, the Permanent Regulation S Global Notes will not be issuable in respect of the Temporary Regulation S Global Note or portion thereof, and payment thereon will be made as provided in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note. Any Class of Note in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Note presented to the Trustee for a Permanent Regulation S Global Note shall be endorsed by the Trustee to reduce the principal amount

thereof by the amount so exchanged, and shall then be returned to the Custodian, pending exchange of the remaining balance thereof pursuant to the terms hereof.

On each Payment Date, if any, that falls on or prior to the date on which all Temporary Regulation S Global Notes shall have been exchanged for Permanent Regulation S Global Notes (the "Exchange Date"), interest, if any, and principal on the Temporary Regulation S Global Notes shall be paid to the Custodian acting on behalf of the Clearance System for the benefit of persons for whom the Clearance System holds the Temporary Regulation S Global Notes on each such Payment Date to the extent the Clearance System has delivered a certificate or certificates, appropriately completed and signed, in substantially the form set forth in Exhibit F attached hereto, which certificate or certificates shall be dated the relevant Payment Date and shall be delivered to the Custodian.

The Issuer will obtain from each Clearance System an agreement that it will credit principal and interest, if any, as of each Payment Date that falls on or prior to the termination of the Distribution Compliance Period, received in respect of each Temporary Regulation S Global Note to the respective accounts of the persons for whom the Clearance System holds a Temporary Regulation S Global Note on each such Payment Date, upon, and only upon, receipt of certificates from such account holders in substantially the form set forth in Exhibit G attached hereto to be dated on or before each relevant Payment Date (copies of such form being available from the offices of Clearstream at 67, Boulevard Grande-Duchesse Charlotte, Luxembourg, the offices of Euroclear at 1 Boulevard du Roi Albert II, B-1210 Brussels, Belgium, and each other Paying Agent of the Issuer).

Upon any such exchange of a portion of any Temporary Regulation S Global Note for a Permanent Regulation S Global Note, the Custodian shall endorse (or, as provided above, the Trustee shall instruct the Custodian) such Temporary Regulation S Global Note to reflect the reduction of the principal amount evidenced thereby.

(c) Rule 144A Global Notes. The Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes and the Class X Notes initially sold to U.S. Persons (within the meaning of Rule 144A) shall be represented by single global notes (the "Rule 144A Global Notes") in fully registered form without coupons, authenticated and delivered in substantially the forms attached hereto as Exhibit A-1L-3, Exhibit A-2L-3, Exhibit A-3L-3, Exhibit B-1L-3 and [Exhibit X-1] respectively, which the Issuer shall deposit on behalf of the subscribers for such Notes with the Custodian for the Depository and registered in the name of Cede & Co., the nominee of DTC. The Aggregate Principal Amount of each Rule 144A Global Note may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Custodian for DTC or its nominees, as the case may be.

(d) Book-Entry Provisions. This Section 2.1(d) shall apply only to Regulation S Global Notes or Rule 144A Global Notes ("Global Notes") deposited with or on behalf of the Depository. On or prior to the Closing Date, the Issuer shall provide to the Trustee or Authenticating Agent (as applicable) an Issuer Order setting forth the amount of Notes (if any) to be issued on the Closing Date in the form of Temporary Regulation S Global Notes and Rule 144A Global Notes for each Class. With respect to the Notes, a Temporary Regulation S Global

Note may be initially issued for each Class with an outstanding principal balance of zero (and the same may be reduced to zero at any time during the Distribution Compliance Period without cancellation).

(e) Definitive Notes. If at any time (including without limitation during the Distribution Compliance Period) (i) the Temporary Regulation S Global Notes or the Permanent Regulation S Global Notes or any of them become immediately due and repayable pursuant to Article Five hereof or (ii) any of DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream (A) is closed for business for a continuous period of 14 days (other than by reason of holiday, statutory or otherwise) or (B) announces an intention permanently to cease business and no alternative clearance system satisfactory to the Issuer is available or (iii) as a result of any amendment to, or change in, the laws or regulations of the Cayman Islands or of any authority therein or thereof having power to tax or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations which becomes effective on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer or any Paying Agent is or will be required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Notes which would not be required were the Notes in definitive registered form or (iv) the Issuer so elects by notice to the Noteholders and Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, does not object (as determined by the Issuer), then the Issuer will issue Definitive Notes in exchange for and to the extent of such Global Notes within 30 days of the occurrence of the relevant event set forth in (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) above.

If at any time (i) the Notes or any of them become immediately due and payable following an Event of Default hereunder or (ii) DTC notifies the Issuer or the Trustee in writing that it is unwilling or unable to discharge properly its responsibilities as a depository with respect to the Rule 144A Global Notes or it ceases to be a "clearing agency" registered under the Exchange Act, and the Issuer is unable to locate a qualified successor within 90 days after such notice, then the Issuer will issue Definitive Notes in exchange for and to the extent of such Rule 144A Global Notes within 30 days of the occurrence of the relevant event set forth in (i) or (ii) above.

The Issuer shall notify the Trustee forthwith upon the occurrence of any of the events referred to in the two immediately preceding paragraphs and the Issuer shall, unless the Trustee agrees otherwise, promptly give notice thereof and of its obligation to issue Definitive Notes to the Noteholders. Upon giving such notice, the Issuer promptly shall cause the Custodian, as the case may be, to present forthwith for exchange and surrender such Global Note to the Trustee for cancellation, together with appropriate exchange, registration, payment and delivery instructions (identifying according to its records the beneficial holders to whom, and in the amounts, the Definitive Notes are to be registered and delivered), upon which the Trustee shall be entitled to rely conclusively. The Issuer shall prepare, execute and deliver to the Trustee at its specified office a sufficient number of duly executed Definitive Notes not later than the 20th day following the date of such notice, and the Trustee shall then promptly authenticate and deliver the appropriate number and amount of such Definitive Notes in accordance with the instructions received from the Custodian.

(f) Form of Notes. The Notes shall be typed, printed, lithographed or engraved or produced by any combination of these methods or may be produced in any other manner, all as

determined by the Authorized Officers of the Co-Issuers, as applicable, executing such Notes, as evidenced by the Authorized Officers' execution of such Notes.

## Section 2.2. Authorized Amount.

The aggregate principal amount of Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, Class A-2L Notes, Class A-3L Notes, Class A-4L Notes, Class B-1L Notes and Class X Notes that may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture is limited to \$538,000,000, \$96,000,000, \$76,000,000, \$36,500,000, \$10,000,000, \$21,000,000 and \$14,000,000, respectively, except for Notes authenticated and delivered upon registration of transfer of, or in exchange for, or in lieu of, other Notes pursuant to Section 2.5, 2.6 or 8.5 hereof.

## Section 2.3. Denominations; Extension of Revolving Period and Final Maturity.

(a) Each Class of the Notes shall be issuable on the Closing Date in the forms set forth herein, without coupons, in minimum denominations of \$200,000 and integral multiples of \$1 in excess thereof (in each case expressed in terms of the stated or principal amounts thereof, as the case may be, at the Closing Date).

(b) The Issuer, if directed by the Board Resolution of the Issuer at the request of the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Revolving Period to the applicable Extended Revolving Period End Date up to a maximum of four times (so that the Notes can only be extended to 2037) if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date in accordance with this Section 2.3, (ii) the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.3(d) are satisfied, (iii) the Issuer has given written notice to the Trustee of its election to extend the Revolving Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date and (iv) no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing. If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Final Maturity Date of the Notes (other than the Class X Notes) shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Final Maturity Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Notes or Preferred Shares (other than as may be required pursuant to the Extension Conditions) or amendment or supplement to this Indenture or the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement (the "Maturity Extension"); *provided* that the Issuer will not be permitted to effect more than four Maturity Extensions. The Final Maturity Date of the Class X Notes is not subject to extension.

(c) In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder or Beneficial Owner of Notes (other than Class X Notes) or Preferred Shares wishing to sell such Notes or Preferred Shares to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to Section 2.3(d) (such Notes and Preferred Shares as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, "Extension Sale Securities"). The Class X Notes are not subject to sale in connection with a Maturity Extension and the maturity of the Class X Notes is not subject to extension. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, each Holder providing an Extension Sale Notice shall be deemed to agree that no Extension Sale Securities of any Holder shall be

purchased unless all Extension Sale Securities of all Holders are purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date and the other Extension Conditions are satisfied as of such date.

(d) The Maturity Extension shall be effective only if the following conditions (the "Extension Conditions") are satisfied:

(i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the applicable Extension Effective Date;

(ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions herein, in the Indenture and the Preferred Share Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement immediately after such purchase and the legends on such Notes and Preferred Shares and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency);

(iii) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to S&P (so long as any Notes are then rated by S&P) and (b) either (A) the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio is at least 107.5% and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied as of the related Extension Determination Date and the Interest Coverage Test was satisfied on the immediately preceding Payment Date, the rating of each Class of Notes by Moody's has not been downgraded, withdrawn or qualified from that in effect on the Closing Date (unless it subsequently has been reinstated to the rating assigned on the Closing Date) or (B) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to Moody's (so long as any Notes are then rated by Moody's); and

(iv) (A) the Holders of 100% of the Outstanding Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes have delivered the Extension Sale Notice in the Extension Sale Notice Period or (B) if the Holders of 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes fail to deliver an Extension Sale Notice pursuant to the preceding clause (A), either (x) the Issuer, acting through the Servicer, notifies the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes in writing not later than the last day of the Extension Sale Notice Period that such Class A-1LA Notes shall constitute "Extension Sale Securities" (as a result of which such Class A-1LA Notes must be purchased by an Extension Qualifying Purchaser) or (y) the Holders of 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes have consented in writing to the Maturity Extension not later than the last day of the Extension Sale Notice Period.

The Issuer, the Trustee and, by its acceptance of the Notes or Preferred Shares, each Holder or Beneficial Owner of Notes or Preferred Shares agrees that the Placement Agent shall not be responsible for causing the Extension Conditions to be satisfied and shall not be liable to any such person or Holder of Notes or Preferred Shares (whether or not such Holder gave an Extension Sale Notice with respect to its Notes or Preferred Shares) or to any other person if the Extension Conditions are not satisfied. Failure of the Extension Conditions to be satisfied shall not constitute a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture.

(e) The following procedure shall apply to effect any extension of the Revolving Period or the Maturity Date, pursuant to Section 2.3:

(i) No later than three Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Issuer of its election to extend the Revolving Period (the "Extension Notice"), at the cost of the Issuer the Trustee shall deliver the Extension Notice to all Holders of Notes (other than the Class X Notes) and the Preferred Shares Paying and Transfer Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preferred Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding), in the form set out in the Indenture, and shall request the Rating Condition for the Maturity Extension from S&P, if applicable. Such Extension Notice shall include a statement to the effect that (i) no Extension Sale Notice delivered after the end of the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be effective and (ii) only the Class A-1LA Notes for which an Extension Sale Notice has been delivered may be treated as Extension Sale Securities pursuant to the Extension Conditions (with the result that the Class A-1LA Notes must be purchased by an Extension Qualifying Purchaser).

(ii) Any Holder of Notes (other than the Class X Notes) or Preferred Shares may give irrevocable notice (an "Extension Sale Notice") within 30 days after the Trustee has delivered the Extension Notice (the "Extension Sale Notice Period") of its intention to sell its Notes or Preferred Shares to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of Notes or Preferred Shares that has not given such an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be entitled to sell its Notes or Preferred Shares to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension.

(iii) If the Holders of 100% of the Outstanding Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes have not delivered the Extension Sale Notice to the Trustee by the 20th calendar day after the date of the Extension Notice, the Trustee shall notify the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes of the date on which the Extension Sale Notice Period shall end and include a statement to the effect that (A) no Extension Sale Notice delivered after the end of the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be effective and (B) the Class A-1LA Notes for which no Extension Sale Notice has been delivered may be treated as Extension Sale Securities pursuant to clause (iv) of the Extension Conditions (as a result of which the Class A-1LA Notes must be purchased by an Extension Qualifying Purchaser).

(iv) On the applicable Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or its agent) shall confirm (A) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Notes or Preferred Shares in compliance with all transfer restrictions in the Indenture and the legends on such Notes or Preferred Shares and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (B) whether the requirements of clause (iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination



Date and (C) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

(v) On each Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension shall become effective under the terms of the Indenture; *provided* that all Extension Conditions set forth above are satisfied. No later than two Business Days after each Extension Effective Date, the Trustee based on a determination made by the Issuer, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall deliver a notice to all Holders of Notes and the Preferred Shares Paying and Transfer Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preferred Shares), the Servicer, the Initial Purchaser, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) and the Irish Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class of Notes is listed thereon) confirming whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension became effective, the Issuer shall make any required notifications thereof to the Depositary for any Notes subject to the Maturity Extension. None of the Initial Purchaser, the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

(vi) In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Holder of Notes (other than Extension Sale Securities) shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment to the extent of available funds and as provided in Section 11.1. Holders of the Preferred Shares shall not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment. The obligation to make any Extension Bonus Payment shall not be rated by Rating Agencies.

(f) The Extension Bonus Payment shall be payable to any applicable qualifying Beneficial Owners who have provided the Trustee with an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification on or before the 5th Business Day prior to the first Payment Date from and including each Extension Effective Date on which funds are available to be used for such purposes in accordance with Priority of Payments, but in any event, no later than the earlier of the Final Maturity Date and the date of redemption of the Notes (other than the Class X Notes). Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments on a Payment Date shall not be considered "due and payable" hereunder but are due and payable on the next Payment Date on which funds are due and payable. The failure to pay any such Extension Bonus Payment on such date shall not be an Event of Default, unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Final Maturity Date and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Notes (other than the Class X Notes). Unpaid Extension Bonus Payments shall not accrue interest. Such amounts shall be paid, in the case of the Notes (other than the Class X Notes), to the accounts designated in the applicable Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification or, to the extent otherwise required by the rules of any applicable securities exchange or clearing agency, in a manner determined by the Issuer.

#### Section 2.4. [Execution, Authentication, Delivery and Dating.](#)

The Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes and the Class X Notes shall be executed on behalf of the Issuer, by an Authorized Officer of each of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer,

as applicable. The signature of such Authorized Officers on the Notes may be manual or facsimile.

Notes bearing the manual or facsimile signature of an individual who was at any time the Authorized Officer of the Co-Issuers (as applicable) shall bind the applicable Co-Issuer, notwithstanding the fact that such individual has ceased to hold such office prior to the authentication and delivery of such Notes or did not hold such office at the date of issuance of such Notes.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Indenture, the Co-Issuers may deliver the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes and the Class X Notes to the Trustee for authentication and the Trustee (or an Authenticating Agent on its behalf), upon Issuer Order, shall authenticate and deliver such Notes as provided in this Indenture and not otherwise.

Each Note authenticated and delivered by the Trustee (or the Authenticating Agent) to or upon Issuer Order on the Closing Date shall be dated as of the Closing Date. All other Notes that are authenticated after the Closing Date for any other purpose hereunder shall be dated the date of their authentication.

Notes issued upon transfer, exchange or replacement of other Notes shall be issued in authorized denominations reflecting the original aggregate stated or principal amount of the Notes so transferred, exchanged or replaced, but shall represent only the stated or principal amount of the Notes so transferred, exchanged or replaced. If any Note is divided into more than one Note in accordance with this Article II, the stated or original principal amount of such Note shall be proportionately divided among the Notes delivered in exchange therefor and shall be deemed to be the aggregate stated or original principal amount of such subsequently issued Notes.

No Note shall be entitled to any benefit under this Indenture or be valid or obligatory for any purpose, unless there appears on such Note a certificate of authentication, substantially in the form provided for herein, executed by the Trustee (or Authenticating Agent, as provided below) by the manual signature of one of its Authorized Officers, and such certificate upon any Note shall be conclusive evidence, and the only evidence, that such Note has been duly authenticated and delivered hereunder.

Upon the request of the Issuer, the Trustee shall and, at the election of the Trustee, the Trustee may, appoint one or more Authenticating Agents with power to act on its behalf and subject to its direction in the authentication of Notes in connection with transfers and exchanges thereof hereunder as fully to all intents and purposes as though each such Authenticating Agent had been expressly authorized by this Indenture to authenticate the Notes; *provided that* any such appointment shall be upon terms and conditions reasonably acceptable to the Trustee (with respect to which the Trustee may require, among other things, appropriate indemnification for any damages, losses or reasonable costs arising from acts or omissions of such Authenticating Agent). For all purposes of this Indenture, the authentication of Notes by an Authenticating

Agent pursuant to this Section shall be deemed to be an authentication of such Notes "by the Trustee."

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, is hereby appointed, at the request of the Issuer, as Authenticating Agent for purposes of authenticating Definitive Notes issued in exchange for beneficial interests in the Global Notes.

RSM Robson Rhodes LLP is hereby appointed, at the request of the Issuer, as the initial Irish Paying Agent with respect to the Notes.

Any corporation into which any Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any corporation resulting from any merger, consolidation or conversion to which any Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent shall be a party, or any corporation succeeding to the corporate trust business of any Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent, shall be the successor of such Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent hereunder, without the execution or filing of any further act on the part of the parties hereto or such Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent or such successor corporation.

Any Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent may at any time resign by giving written notice of resignation to the Trustee and the Issuer. The Trustee may at any time terminate the agency of any Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent by giving written notice of termination to such Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent and the Issuer.

The Trustee shall pay to any Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent reasonable compensation and shall reimburse each Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent for expenses reasonably incurred by such Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent in the performance of its duties as a Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent, in each case as and to the extent agreed upon between the Trustee and such Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent; *provided that* if the appointment of such Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent is at the election or request of the Issuer, the Trustee's obligation to make such payments shall be limited to amounts for which it is entitled to be reimbursed pursuant to Section 6.7(b) or (c). The provisions of Section 6.5 shall be applicable to any Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent.

Section 2.5. [Registration, Registration of Transfer and Exchange.](#)

(a) The Issuer shall cause to be kept a register (the "Note Register") in which, subject to such reasonable procedures as it may prescribe, the Issuer shall provide for the registration of the Notes and the registration of transfers of the Notes. The Trustee is hereby appointed "Note Registrar" for the purpose of registering and transferring the Notes as herein provided. The Note Registrar shall supply all relevant documents to the Share Registrar necessary for the Share Registrar to maintain the Share Register accordingly and the Share Registrar shall be able to rely upon such information provided by the Note Registrar without any liability on its part. The Issuer will notify the Trustee of any Notes owned by or pledged to the Issuer or any of its Affiliates promptly upon the acquisition thereof or the creation of such

pledge. So long as an Event of Default shall be continuing, the Note Registrar shall promptly, upon the written request of a Noteholder or holder of a Preferred Share, but in no event later than five Business Days following such request, furnish such Noteholder or holder of a Preferred Share with a list of all other Noteholders, holders of Preferred Shares (as applicable); *provided that* the Note Registrar shall have no liability to any person for furnishing the Note Register to any Noteholder or holder of a Preferred Share. The Note Registrar shall, upon request, furnish a copy of the Note Register to the Trustee and the Servicer.

Subject to the provisions of paragraphs (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) and (k) of this Section 2.5, upon surrender for registration of transfer of any Note, the Issuer and the Co-Issuer (as applicable) shall execute, and the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent shall authenticate and deliver, in the name of the designated transferee or transferees, one or more new Notes of the same Class, of any authorized denomination and of a like aggregate principal amount.

Subject to the provisions of paragraphs (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) and (k) of this Section 2.5, at the option of the Holder, Notes may be exchanged for other Notes of the same Class, in any authorized denominations and of a like aggregate stated or principal amount, upon surrender of the Notes to be exchanged at the office of the Trustee. Whenever any Notes are so surrendered for exchange, the Issuer and the Co-Issuer (as applicable) shall execute, and the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent shall authenticate and deliver, the Notes that the Holder making the exchange is entitled to receive.

All Notes issued upon any registration of transfer or exchange of Notes shall be the valid obligations of the Co-Issuers, evidencing the same debt, and entitled to the same benefits under this Indenture, as the Notes, as applicable, surrendered upon such registration of transfer or exchange.

Every Note presented or surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange shall be duly endorsed, or be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Co-Issuers (as applicable) and the Trustee duly executed by the Holder thereof or his attorney duly authorized in writing.

No service charge shall be made to a Holder for any registration of transfer or exchange of Notes, but the Co-Issuers or the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with any registration of transfer or exchange of Notes.

(b) No Note may be sold or transferred (including, without limitation by pledge or hypothecation) unless such sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act and is exempt under applicable state securities laws. No purported transfer of any interest in any Note or any portion thereof that is not made in accordance with this Section 2.5 shall be given effect by or be binding upon the Trustee or the Co-Issuers (as applicable) and any such purported transfer shall be null and void *ab initio* and vest in the transferee no rights against the Trustee, the Co-Issuers (as applicable) or the Trust Estate.

By its acceptance of a Note or a beneficial interest in a Note, each owner thereof will be deemed to have represented and agreed that transfer thereof is restricted and agrees that it

shall transfer such Note or beneficial interest in such Note, only in accordance with the terms of this Indenture and such Note and in compliance with applicable law.

The applicable rules, regulations and procedures utilized or imposed by any Clearance System or DTC (collectively, "Applicable Procedures") shall be applicable to the Global Notes insofar as and to the extent beneficial interests in such Global Notes are held by the agent members of or participants in Euroclear, Clearstream or DTC, respectively. Account holders or agent members of or participants in Euroclear, Clearstream and DTC shall have no rights under this Indenture with respect to such Global Notes, and DTC (or its nominee) as registered Holder of any Global Notes may be treated by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Note Registrar, the Authenticating Agent and any other Paying Agent (and any agent of any of the foregoing) as the owner of such Global Notes for all purposes whatsoever. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein shall prevent the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Note Registrar, the Authenticating Agent or any Paying Agent from giving effect to any written certification, proxy or other authorization furnished by DTC or any Clearance System or impair, as between DTC, the Clearance System and its agent members or participants, the operation of customary practices governing the exercise of the rights of a Holder of any Notes. Requests or directions from, or votes of, DTC or any Clearance System with respect to any matter shall not be deemed inconsistent if made with respect to (or in separate proportions corresponding to) different beneficial owners. None of the Trustee, the Transfer Agent, the Note Registrar, the Authenticating Agent, nor the Paying Agent shall have any duty to monitor, maintain records concerning (or determine compliance with any of the restrictions on transfer set forth herein with respect to) owners of beneficial interests in the Global Notes. None of the Trustee, the Transfer Agent, the Note Registrar, the Authenticating Agent, nor the Paying Agent shall have any liability for the accuracy of the records of DTC or any Clearance System, or any actions or omissions of DTC or any Clearance System (or of the agent members of or participants in any Clearance System).

A Noteholder may transfer a Note or its beneficial interest in a Note only in accordance with the following provisions:

(i) Definitive Note to Temporary Regulation S Global Note. To the extent permitted by the Applicable Procedures and subject to the provisions of Section 2.5, if a Holder of a Definitive Note of any Class wishes at any time to transfer its beneficial interest in such Definitive Note to a Non-U.S. Person during the Distribution Compliance Period, such Holder shall, subject to the provisions of this Section 2.5, transfer its interest in such Definitive Note for an equivalent beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note of the same Class. Upon (A) the surrender to the Trustee for cancellation of the Definitive Notes representing the beneficial interest to be so transferred and (B) the receipt by the Trustee and the Co-Issuers of (1) an Investor Representation Letter from such Noteholder's transferee, (2) a Regulation S Transferor Certificate from such Noteholder, and (3) a written order in accordance with the Applicable Procedures containing information regarding the Euroclear or Clearstream account to be credited with the increase in the Regulation S Global Note and the name of such account, the Trustee shall cancel such Definitive Note and, concurrently with such cancellation, instruct the Euro Transfer Agent to adjust the Common Depository's position in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note of the same Class to reflect an increase of the

Aggregate Principal Amount thereof by the same amount and to credit or cause to be credited to the account of the transferee a beneficial interest in such Temporary Regulation S Global Note equal to the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Definitive Note so cancelled. In the event of any partial transfer of an interest in a Definitive Note to a Temporary Regulation S Global Note, the Co-Issuers shall execute and provide to the Trustee, and the Trustee shall authenticate and return to the Holder, a Definitive Note evidencing the remaining balance thereof. After the Distribution Compliance Period, interests in any Definitive Notes may not be transferred or exchanged for interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note.

(ii) Definitive Note to Permanent Regulation S Global Note. If a Holder of a Definitive Note wishes at any time after the Distribution Compliance Period to transfer its interest in such Definitive Note to a Non-U.S. Person, such Holder shall, subject to the provisions of this Section 2.5, transfer its interest in such Definitive Note for an equivalent beneficial interest in such Permanent Regulation S Global Note of the same Class. Upon (A) the surrender to the Euro Transfer Agent located in London in the case of the Class B-2L Notes, and the Trustee in the case of any other Class of Notes, of the Definitive Note representing the interest to be so transferred, for cancellation and (B) the receipt by the Trustee and the Co-Issuers of (1) an Investor Representation Letter from such Noteholder's transferee, (2) a Regulation S Transferor Certificate from such Noteholder and (3) a written order in accordance with the Applicable Procedures containing information regarding the Euroclear or Clearstream account to be credited with the increase in the Regulation S Global Note and the name of such account, the Trustee shall cancel such Definitive Note, and, concurrently with such cancellation, in the case of the Class B-2L Notes, instruct the Common Depository and in the case of any other Class of Notes, instruct the Custodian to endorse the Permanent Regulation S Global Note to reflect an increase of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof by the same amount and to credit or cause to be credited to the account of the transferee a beneficial interest in such Permanent Regulation S Global Note equal to the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Definitive Note so cancelled. In the event of any partial transfer of an interest in a Definitive Note to a Permanent Regulation S Global Note, the Co-Issuers or the Issuer, as applicable, shall execute and provide to the Trustee (or the Euro Transfer Agent located in London), and the Trustee (or the Euro Transfer Agent located in London) shall authenticate and return to the Holder, a Definitive Note evidencing the remaining balance thereof (which Definitive Note shall be so mailed or otherwise delivered from a location outside the United States).

(iii) Temporary Regulation S Global Note to Definitive Note or Rule 144A Global Note. To the extent permitted by DTC and subject to the provisions of Section 2.5(k), if a Holder of a beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note of a particular Class wishes at any time during the Distribution Compliance Period to transfer its beneficial interest in such Temporary Regulation S Global Note to a U.S. Person, such holder shall, subject to the provisions of this Section 2.5, transfer its beneficial interest in such Temporary Regulation S Global Note for an equivalent interest in a Rule 144A Global Note. Upon receipt by the Trustee of (A) a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit G hereto and (B) a written order given in accordance with the Applicable Procedures, the Trustee shall instruct the Custodian to adjust the Depository's position in

the Temporary Regulation S Global Note to reflect a reduction of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof by the Aggregate Principal Amount of the beneficial interest thereof to be so transferred and concurrently with such reduction, in the case of a Rule 144A Global Note, instruct the Custodian to adjust the Depository's position in the Rule 144A Global Note of the same Class to reflect an increase of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof by the same amount and to credit or cause to be credited to the account of the transferee a beneficial interest in such Rule 144A Global Note equal to the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Temporary Regulation S Global Note so reduced, and, in the case of a Definitive Note, the Co-Issuers shall execute and furnish to the Trustee, and the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent shall authenticate and deliver to such Holder, a Definitive Note in a principal amount equal to the amount of the reduction in the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Temporary Regulation S Global Note of such Class.

(iv) Transfer of Interests in a Definitive Note. A Holder of a Definitive Note may at any time transfer its interest in such Definitive Note in accordance with this Section 2.5(b)(iv). Any transfer of an interest in a Definitive Note to a Non-U.S. Person during the Distribution Compliance Period shall be made only pursuant to Section 2.5(b)(iii) above. Otherwise, the Trustee shall require, prior to any such transfer of a Definitive Note, receipt by the Trustee and the Co-Issuers of (A) an Investor Representation Letter from such Noteholder's transferee and (B) a Transferor Certificate from such Noteholder (which shall only be a Regulation S Transferor Certificate for transfers to Non-U.S. Persons during the Distribution Compliance Period). Upon receipt of such letter and certificate, and surrender to the Trustee the Definitive Note representing the interest to be so transferred, the Trustee shall cancel such Definitive Note and the Co-Issuers shall execute and provide to the Trustee, and the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent shall authenticate and deliver, a Definitive Note to such transferee (and, in the event of a partial transfer, the Co-Issuers shall execute and provide to the Trustee, and the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent shall authenticate and deliver, a Definitive Note evidencing the remaining balance to the transferring Holder).

(v) Transfer of Interests in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note. Transfers of beneficial interests in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note may only be made (A) in accordance with Section 2.5(b)(i) above or (B) by book-entry transfer of beneficial interests in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note within the Clearance System (and subject to the Applicable Procedures) to Non-U.S. Persons in accordance with Regulation S in "offshore transactions" (as defined in Regulation S).

(vi) Transfer of Interests in a Permanent Regulation S Global Note. If a Holder of a beneficial interest in the Permanent Regulation S Global Note wishes at any time to transfer its beneficial interest in such Permanent Regulation S Global Note to a U.S. Person, such Holder shall, subject to the provisions of this Section 2.5 and the Applicable Procedures, transfer its beneficial interest in such Permanent Regulation S Global Note for an equivalent interest in a Rule 144A Global Note. Upon receipt by the Trustee of (A) a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit G hereto and (B) a written order given in accordance with the Applicable Procedures, the Trustee shall instruct the Custodian to adjust the Depository's position in the Permanent Regulation S Global Note to reflect a reduction of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof by the Aggregate

Principal Amount of the beneficial interest thereof to be so transferred and concurrently with such reduction, in the case of a Rule 144A Global Note, instruct the Custodian to adjust the Depository's position in the Rule 144A Global Note of the same Class to reflect an increase of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof by the same amount and to credit or cause to be credited to the account of the transferee a beneficial interest in such Rule 144A Global Note equal to the Aggregate Amount Principal amount of the Permanent Regulation S Global Note so reduced, and, in the case of a Definitive Note, the Issuer shall execute and furnish to the Trustee (or Paying Agent, as directed by the Trustee) and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver to such Holder a Definitive Note in the Aggregate Principal Amount equal to the amount of the reduction in the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Permanent Regulation S Global Note (which Definitive Note shall be mailed or otherwise delivered to such Holder from a location outside the United States). Interests in any Permanent Regulation S Global Note shall not be exchanged for or transferred to a Definitive Note (except pursuant to the preceding sentence or Section 2.1, if applicable).

(vii) Transfer of Interest in a Rule 144A Global Note. Subject to the provisions of Section 2.5(k), transfers of beneficial interests in a Rule 144A Global Note may only be made (A) in accordance with the provisions of this Section 2.5(b)(iv) or (B) by book-entry transfer of beneficial interests in a Rule 144A Global Note within DTC (and subject to the Applicable Procedures) and in accordance with the transfer restrictions contained in the legend on such Rule 144A Global Note. If a Holder of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note wishes to transfer its beneficial interest in such Rule 144A Global Note to a Non-U.S. Person, such holder shall, subject to the provisions of this Section 2.5 and the Applicable Procedures, transfer its beneficial interest in such Rule 144A Global Note for an equivalent interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or a Permanent Regulation S Global Note, *provided* such transfer occurs after the Distribution Compliance Period. Upon receipt by the Trustee of (A) a Regulation S Transferor Certificate from such Noteholder and (B) a written order given in accordance with the DTC's Applicable Procedures, the Trustee shall instruct the Custodian to adjust the Depository's position in the Rule 144A Global Note to reflect a reduction of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof by the Aggregate Principal Amount of the beneficial interest thereof to be so transferred and concurrently with such reduction, instruct the Custodian to adjust the Depository's position in such Temporary Regulation S Global Note or the Permanent Regulation S Global Note of the same Class to reflect an increase of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof by the same amount and to credit or cause to be credited to the account of the transferee a beneficial interest in such Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Permanent Regulation S Global Note equal to the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Rule 144A Global Note so reduced.

(viii) Initial Sale of Notes. Notwithstanding anything in clauses (i) through (v) of this Section 2.5(b) to the contrary, in connection with any sale of Bear Notes by Bear Stearns, no delivery of an Investor Representation Letter or a Transferor Certificate shall be required so long as each purchaser of Notes executes and delivers a transferee certificate acceptable to Bear Stearns (which certificate shall, in the case of any transfer of Definitive Notes, identify each transferee, including name, address, payment



instructions, Taxpayer information and such other information as the Trustee may reasonably require), which transferee certificate shall be delivered to the Trustee.

(ix) Securities Act. No transfer of any Note or any beneficial interest in any Note shall be made unless such transfer (a) is made pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act and registration or qualification under applicable state securities laws or (b) is exempt from such registration or qualification requirements.

The Investor Representation Letters (and any alternative certification acceptable to Bear Stearns pursuant to clause (vi) above) and the Transferor Certificates furnished pursuant to this Section may be relied on conclusively by the Trustee in determining whether the provisions of this Section have been complied with. None of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee or any other person shall be required to register the Notes under the Securities Act or any state securities laws.

(c) Unless a prospective Holder of a Note (and each beneficial owner of an interest in a Global Note) otherwise provides another representation acceptable to each of the Trustee, the Servicer and the Issuer, each Holder of a Note (other than each beneficial owner of an interest in a Global Note), by its purchase thereof, shall be deemed to have represented to the Issuer, the Servicer and the Trustee that (a) in the case of the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes or the Class X Notes, either no part of the funds being used to pay the purchase price for such Notes constitutes an asset of any "employee benefit plan" (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) or "plan" (as defined in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code) that is subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (each a "Plan"), including assets held in an insurance company general account, or (b) if the funds being used to pay the purchase price for such Notes include assets of any Plan, an exemption to the prohibited transaction rules applies to the purchase and holding of such Notes, and (b) in the case of the Class B-1L Notes, either (i) such Holder (or such beneficial owner) is not a Plan and is not acquiring the Class B-1L Notes with the assets of the Plan, (ii) such Holder (or beneficial owner) is an insurance company and the funds being used to pay the purchase price for such Notes includes only assets of its general account and its acquisition and holding of such Notes are eligible for exemptive relief under Section I of U.S. Department of Labor Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption ("PTCE") 95-60, or (iii) the acquisition and holding of such Notes by such Holder (or beneficial owner) are eligible for the exemptive relief under PTCE 96-23, 91-38, 90-1 or 84-14.

(d) No Note shall be sold or transferred (including, without limitation, by pledge or hypothecation), except to Non-U.S. Persons in "offshore transactions" in accordance with Regulation S under the Securities Act, unless the purchaser or transferee is a Qualified Purchaser. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Indenture, no transfer of a Note may be made if such transfer would require registration of the Issuer or Co-Issuer under the Investment Company Act (subject, as regards the Trustee's duties, to Section 2.5(f) below).

(e) At any time when the Issuer is not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, upon the request of any Noteholder, the Issuer shall promptly furnish to such Noteholder or to a prospective purchaser of any Note designated by such Noteholder, as the case may be, the information which the Issuer determines

to be required to be delivered pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act ("Rule 144A Information") in order to permit compliance by such Noteholder with Rule 144A in connection with the resale of such Note by such Noteholder; *provided that* the Issuer shall not be required to provide audited financial statements more than once a year or to furnish Rule 144A Information in connection with any request made on or after the date that is three years from the later of (i) the date such Note (or any predecessor Note) was acquired from the Issuer or (ii) the date such Note (or any predecessor Note) was last acquired from an "affiliate" of the Issuer within the meaning of Rule 144A, in each case as determined by the Issuer. Upon request by the Issuer, the Trustee shall cooperate with the Issuer in mailing or otherwise distributing (at the Issuer's expense) to such Noteholders or prospective purchasers, at and pursuant to the Issuer's written direction, the foregoing materials prepared and provided by the Issuer; *provided that* the Trustee shall be entitled to affix thereto or enclose therewith such disclaimers as the Trustee shall deem reasonably appropriate, at its discretion (such as, for example, a disclaimer that such Rule 144A Information was assembled by the Issuer and not by the Trustee, that the Trustee has not reviewed or verified the accuracy thereof, and that it makes no representation as to the sufficiency of such information under Rule 144A or for any other purpose).

(f) The Trustee shall not be responsible for ascertaining whether any transfer complies with, or otherwise to monitor or determine compliance with, the requirements or terms of the Securities Act, applicable state securities laws, ERISA, the Code or the Investment Company Act; except that if a certificate is specifically required by the terms of this Section to be provided to the Trustee by a prospective transferee, transferor or the Issuer, the Trustee shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine whether it conforms substantially on its face to the applicable requirements of this Section.

(g) If a Responsible Officer of the Trustee becomes aware that (i) a transfer or attempted or purported transfer of any Note or interest therein was consummated in compliance with the provisions of this Section 2.5 on the basis of a materially incorrect certification from the transferor or purported transferee, (ii) a transferee failed to deliver to the Trustee any certificate required to be delivered hereunder or (iii) the Holder of any Note or interest therein is in material breach of any representation or agreement set forth in any certificate or any deemed representation or agreement of such Holder, the Trustee will direct the Note Registrar not to register such attempted or purported transfer and if a transfer has been registered, such transfer shall be absolutely null and void *ab initio* and shall vest no rights in the purported transferee (such purported transferee, a "Disqualified Transferee") and the last preceding Holder of such Note that was not a Disqualified Transferee shall be restored to all rights as a Holder thereof retroactively to the date of transfer of such Note by such Holder.

(h) For so long as one or more Global Notes are Outstanding:

(i) the Trustee and its directors, officers, employees and agents may deal with the Depository for all purposes (including the making of distributions on, and the giving of notices with respect to, the Global Notes);

(ii) unless otherwise provided herein, the rights of beneficial owner in a Global Note shall be exercised only through the respective Depository and shall be

limited to those established by law and agreements between such beneficial owners and the respective Depository;

(iii) for purposes of determining the identity of and Aggregate Principal Amount of Notes beneficially owned by a Holder, the records of the Depository shall be conclusive evidence of such identity and Aggregate Principal Amount and the Trustee may conclusively rely on such records when acting hereunder;

(iv) the Depository will make book-entry transfers among the Depository participants of the Depository and will receive and transmit distributions of principal of and interest on the Global Notes to such Depository participants; and

(v) the Depository participants of the Depository shall have no rights under this Indenture under or with respect to any of the Global Notes held on their behalf by the Depository, and the Depository may be treated by the Trustee and its agents, employees, officers and directors as the absolute owner of the Global Notes for all purposes whatsoever.

(i) Each transferee of a Note (except with respect to a transfer pursuant to Regulation S) will be deemed to represent at time of transfer that the transferee is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and that (i) it is a Qualified Purchaser, (ii) it is not formed for the purpose of investing in the Notes, unless each of its beneficial owners is a Qualified Purchaser, (iii) it is not a dealer described in paragraph (a)(1)(ii) of Rule 144A unless such transferee owns and invests on a discretionary basis at least U.S.\$25 million in securities of issuers that are not affiliated persons of such dealer, (iv) it is not a plan referred to in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(D) or (E) of Rule 144A or a trust fund referred to in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(F) of Rule 144A that holds the assets of such plan, unless investment decisions are made solely by the fiduciary, trustee or sponsor of such plan, (v) it and each account for which it is purchasing is purchasing Notes in at least the minimum denomination and (vi) it will provide written notice of the foregoing and any other applicable transfer restrictions to any transferee.

(j) Any Note issued upon the transfer, exchange or replacement of Notes shall bear such applicable legend set forth in the relevant Exhibit hereto unless there is delivered to the Trustee, Note Registrar and the Issuer such satisfactory evidence, which may include an Opinion of Counsel, as may be reasonably required by any of the Trustee, Note Registrar and the Issuer to the effect that (i) neither such applicable legend nor the restrictions on transfer set forth therein are required to ensure that transfers thereof comply with the provisions of Rule 144A and to ensure that neither of the Co-Issuers nor the Portfolio Collateral becomes an investment company required to be registered under the Investment Company Act, and (ii) the Co-Issuers and the Portfolio Collateral are exempt from registration under the Investment Company Act other than by reason of Section 3(c)(7) thereof. Upon provision of such satisfactory evidence, the Trustee, at the direction of the Issuer, shall authenticate and deliver Notes that do not bear such applicable legend.

(k) If, notwithstanding the restrictions set forth in this Section 2.5, either of the Co-Issuers determines that any beneficial owner or Holder of a Rule 144A Global Note (i) is a U.S. Person and (ii) is not (A) a Qualified Purchaser or (B) a company beneficially owned

exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, the Co-Issuers may require, by notice to such beneficial owner or Holder, as the case may be, that such beneficial owner or Holder sell all of its right, title and interest to such Note (or interest therein) to a Person that is both (1) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (2) a Qualified Purchaser or a company beneficially owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, with such sale to be effected within 30 days after notice of such sale requirement is given. If such beneficial owner or Holder fails to effect the transfer required within such 30-day period, (x) upon written direction from the Issuer, the Trustee shall, and is hereby irrevocably authorized by such beneficial owner or Holder, as the case may be, to cause its interest in such Note to be transferred in a commercially reasonable sale (conducted by the Trustee or by an investment banking firm selected by the Trustee and approved by the Issuer (whose fees are to be paid exclusively from the proceeds of such sale)), in accordance with Section 9-504(3) of the UCC as applied to securities that are sold on a recognized market or that may decline speedily in value) to a Person that certifies to the Trustee and the Co-Issuers, in connection with such transfer, that such Person is both (1) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (2) a Qualified Purchaser or a company beneficially owned exclusively by one or more Qualified Purchasers and (y) pending such transfer, no further payments will be made in respect of such Note (or beneficial interest therein) held by such Holder or beneficial owner.

#### Section 2.6. Mutilated, Destroyed, Lost or Stolen Notes.

If (i) any mutilated Note is surrendered to the Trustee or the Issuer or the Trustee and the Issuer receive evidence to their reasonable satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of any Note, and (ii) in the case of a destroyed, lost, or stolen Note, there is delivered to the Issuer and the Trustee such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them harmless (an unsecured indemnity agreement of an Institutional Investor organized under the laws of the United States or any State in the United States with a net worth at least equal to twice the amount of the security or indemnity being deemed sufficient to satisfy such security or indemnity requirement), then, in the absence of notice to the Co-Issuers or the Trustee that such Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the Co-Issuers shall execute and, upon a written request therefor by the Issuer, the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in exchange for or in lieu of any such mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Note, a new Note of the same Class, tenor and principal amount, bearing a number not contemporaneously outstanding. If, after the delivery of such new Note, a protected purchaser of the original Note in lieu of which such new Note was issued presents such original Note for payment, the Issuer and the Trustee shall be entitled to recover such new Note from the Person to whom it was delivered or any Person taking title therefrom, except a protected purchaser, and the Issuer and the Trustee shall be entitled to recover upon the security or indemnity provided therefor to the extent of any loss, damage, cost or expense incurred by the Co-Issuers, or the Trustee, in connection therewith. If any such mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Note shall have become or shall be about to become due and payable in full, or shall have been called for redemption in full, instead of issuing a new Note, the Co-Issuers may pay such Note without surrender thereof, except that any mutilated Note shall be surrendered.

Upon the issuance of any new Note under this Section 2.6, the Issuer or the Trustee may require the payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed or any other reasonable expense in relation thereto.

Every new Note issued pursuant to this Section in lieu of any mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Note shall constitute an original additional contractual obligation of the Issuer, whether or not the mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Note shall be at any time enforceable by anyone, and shall be entitled to all the benefits of this Indenture equally and proportionately with any and all other Notes of the same Class duly issued hereunder.

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

Section 2.7. [Payments on the Notes.](#)

(a) No principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-1L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of an Initial Deposit Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-1L Notes as described herein. On each Payment Date with respect to the Amortization Period, the principal of the Class A-1L Notes will be payable (to the extent of funds available therefor and in the order of priority described herein) first to the Class A-1LA Notes and then to the Class A-1LB Notes, until the Payment Date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of such Class A-1L Notes have been paid in full. The unpaid principal amount of the Class A-1L Notes shall accrue interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate for such Class from the Closing Date until such unpaid principal amount is paid in full and such accrued interest shall be payable on each Payment Date. To the extent there is any shortfall in the payment of accrued interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate on any Payment Date with respect to any of the Class A-1L Notes, the Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount will be paid (to the extent of available funds therefor and as described herein) on one or more subsequent Payment Dates after payment of the Periodic Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-1L Notes, unless earlier paid upon an Initial Deposit Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-1L Notes as described herein. In addition, all payments of principal on the Class A-1LA Notes that are made in connection with an Initial Deposit Redemption, a Rating Confirmation Failure, a Tax Event Redemption or an Optional Redemption and all payments of interest will be paid on a *pro rata* basis with the Class X Notes as described herein. All outstanding principal of the Class A-1L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date.

(b) No principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-2L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-2L Notes, but only after the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes (other than with respect to a Special Redemption or an O/C Redemption) and the Class X Notes have been paid in full. The unpaid principal amount of the Class A-2L Notes shall accrue interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate for such Class from the Closing Date until such unpaid principal amount is paid in full and such accrued interest shall be payable on each Payment Date. To the extent there is any shortfall in the payment of accrued interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate on any Payment Date with respect to the Class A-2L Notes, the Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount will be paid (to the extent of

available funds therefor and as described herein) on one or more subsequent Payment Dates after payment of the Periodic Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-2L Notes, unless earlier paid upon an Initial Deposit Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-2L Notes as described herein. All outstanding principal of the Class A-2L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date.

(c) No principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-3L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-3L Notes, but only after the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes, the Class A-2L Notes (other than with respect to a Special Redemption or an O/C Redemption) and the Class X Notes have been paid in full. The unpaid principal amount of the Class A-3L Notes shall accrue interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate for such Class from the Closing Date until such unpaid principal amount is paid in full and such accrued interest shall be payable on each Payment Date. To the extent there is any shortfall in the payment of accrued interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate on any Payment Date with respect to the Class A-3L Notes, the Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount will be paid (to the extent of available funds therefor and as described herein) on one or more subsequent Payment Dates after payment of the Periodic Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-3L Notes, unless earlier paid upon an Initial Deposit Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-3L Notes as described herein. All outstanding principal of the Class A-3L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date.

(d) No principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-4L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-4L Notes, but only after the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes (other than with respect to a Special Redemption or an O/C Redemption) and the Class X Notes have been paid in full. The unpaid principal amount of the Class A-4L Notes shall accrue interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate for such Class from the Closing Date until such unpaid principal amount is paid in full and such accrued interest shall be payable on each Payment Date. To the extent there is any shortfall in the payment of accrued interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate on any Payment Date with respect to the Class A-4L Notes, the Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount will be paid (to the extent of available funds therefor and as described herein) on one or more subsequent Payment Dates after payment of the Periodic Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-4L Notes, unless earlier paid upon an Initial Deposit Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-4L Notes as described herein. All outstanding principal of the Class A-4L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date.

(e) Except in connection with the application of the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement as described herein, no principal will be payable in respect of the Class B-1L Notes during the Revolving Period, except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional

Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class B-1L Notes. The principal amount of the Class B-1L Notes shall be due and payable (to the extent of funds available therefore and in the order of priority as described herein) on each Payment Date during the Amortization Period, but only after the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L, the Class A-4L (other than with respect to a Special Redemption or an O/C Redemption) and the Class X Notes have been paid in full. The unpaid principal amount of the Class B-1L Notes shall accrue interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate for such Class from the Closing Date until such unpaid principal amount is paid in full and such accrued interest shall be payable on each Payment Date. To the extent there is any shortfall in the payment of accrued interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate on any Payment Date with respect to the Class B-1L Notes, the Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount will be paid (to the extent of available funds therefor and as described herein) on one or more subsequent Payment Dates after payment of the Periodic Interest Amount with respect to the Class B-1L Notes, unless earlier paid upon an Initial Deposit Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class B-1L Notes as described herein. All outstanding principal of the Class B-1L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date.

(f) The Class X Notes will provide for the Class X Payment (to the extent funds are available therefore as described herein) on each Payment Date, commencing on the November 2006 Payment Date through and including the August 2013 Payment Date. The Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class X Notes will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date of the Class X Notes. To the extent the Class X Payment will not be paid on any Payment Date, the resulting Class X Shortfall Amount will be paid (as described herein) on one or more subsequent Payment Dates after payment of the Class X Payment with respect to such Class X Notes.

(g) Holders of the Notes of each Class as of the Record Date in respect of a Payment Date or as of the Redemption Record Date with respect to the Initial Deposit Redemption Date, an Optional Redemption Date, a Special Redemption Date, a Tax Event Redemption Date or a Mandatory Redemption Date, shall be entitled, to the extent provided for herein, to the interest accrued and payable and principal payable (or Initial Deposit Redemption Price, an Optional Redemption Price, a Special Redemption Price, a Tax Event Redemption Price or a Mandatory Redemption Price payable, as applicable) on such Payment Date or Redemption Record Date with respect to the Initial Deposit Redemption Date, an Optional Redemption Date, a Special Redemption Date, a Tax Event Redemption Date or a Mandatory Redemption Date. Payments of principal to Holders entitled thereto shall be made in the proportion that the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes of such Class registered in the name of each such Holder on such Record Date or Redemption Record Date with respect to the Initial Deposit Redemption Date, an Optional Redemption Date, a Special Redemption Date, a Tax Event Redemption Date or a Mandatory Redemption Date.

(h) Interest accrued with respect to any Class of Notes shall be computed on the basis of a 360-day year and the actual number of days elapsed during each Periodic Interest Accrual Period.

(i) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the obligations of the Co-Issuers' under this Indenture and the payment of principal of, interest on and all other amounts payable on or in respect of the Class A-1L Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, Class A-4L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes and the Class X Notes will constitute nonrecourse obligations of the Co-Issuers, payable solely from the Trust Estate. Having realized the Collateral and distributed the net proceeds thereof, in each case in accordance with this Indenture, neither the Trustee nor any holders of Notes may take any further steps against the Co-Issuers to recover any sum still unpaid in respect of any claims under this Indenture or the Notes issued under this Indenture and all claims against the Co-Issuers in respect of any such sum due but still unpaid shall be extinguished and shall not revive. Neither of the Co-Issuers, nor any of their respective agents, partners, beneficiaries, officers, directors, employees or any Affiliate of any of them or any of their respective successors or assigns shall be personally liable for any amounts payable, or performance due, under the Notes or this Indenture. It is understood that the foregoing provisions of this paragraph shall not (A) prevent recourse to the Trust Estate for the sums due or to become due under any security, instrument or agreement which is part of the Trust Estate or (B) constitute a waiver, release or discharge of any indebtedness or obligation evidenced by the Notes or secured by this Indenture, but the same shall continue until paid or discharged or (C) constitute a waiver of an otherwise valid cause of action with respect to the performance of the Servicer's obligations as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or (D) constitute a waiver of any otherwise valid cause of action against the Co-Issuers wherein the loss complained of is directly attributable to the willful misconduct or fraud of the Co-Issuers in making their respective representations or warranties or the performance of their respective obligations under this Indenture or (E) limit the right of any person to name the Co-Issuers as parties defendant in any action, suit or in the exercise of any other remedy under the Notes or in this Indenture, so long as no judgment in the nature of a deficiency judgment or seeking personal liability shall be asked for or (if obtained) enforced against any such person or entity.

#### Section 2.8. [Persons Deemed Owners.](#)

The Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Note Registrar and the Servicer, and any agent of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Note Registrar and the Servicer shall treat the Person in whose name any Note is registered as it appears on the Note Register as the owner of such Note for the purpose of receiving payments on such Note, and for all other purposes whatsoever (whether or not such Note is overdue), and none of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Note Registrar or the Servicer, nor any agent of any of them, shall be affected by notice to the contrary.

#### Section 2.9. [Cancellation.](#)

All Notes surrendered for payment, registration of transfer, exchange or redemption, or deemed destroyed, lost or stolen, shall, if surrendered to any Person other than the Trustee, be delivered to the Trustee and shall be promptly cancelled by it. No Notes shall be authenticated in lieu of or in exchange for any Notes cancelled as provided in this Section 2.9, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture. All cancelled Notes held by the Trustee shall be destroyed or held by the Trustee in accordance with its standard retention policy unless the Issuer shall direct by an Issuer Order that they be returned to the Issuer.



Section 2.10. [Tax Purposes.](#)

Each of the Co-Issuers shall, and each Holder by acceptance of its Note shall be deemed to have agreed to, treat the Notes as debt solely of the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes.

Section 2.11. [Calculation Agent; Determination of LIBOR.](#)

(a) The Issuer hereby agrees that for so long as any of the Notes remain Outstanding, there will at all times be an agent appointed to calculate LIBOR in respect of each Periodic Interest Accrual Period in accordance with the terms of the Notes. The Issuer has initially appointed JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as agent with respect to the determination of LIBOR (in such capacity, the "[Calculation Agent](#)"). The Calculation Agent may be removed by the Issuer at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Issuer, or if the Calculation Agent fails to determine LIBOR for a Periodic Interest Accrual Period, the Issuer will promptly appoint as a replacement Calculation Agent a leading bank which is engaged in transactions in U.S. dollar deposits in the international U.S. dollar market and which does not control or is not controlled by or under common control with the Co-Issuers or their Affiliates. The Calculation Agent may not resign or be removed from its respective duties without a successor having been duly appointed.

(b) The Calculation Agent shall determine LIBOR for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period in accordance with the following provisions:

On each LIBOR Determination Date, LIBOR shall equal the rate, as obtained by the Calculation Agent, for three-month U.S. dollar deposits which appears on Telerate Page 3750 (as reported by Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News) or such other page as may replace such Page 3750, as of 11:00 a.m. (London time) on such LIBOR Determination Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, LIBOR for the initial Periodic Interest Accrual Period shall be determined through the use of straight-line interpolation by reference to two rates calculated in accordance with the provisions above, one of which shall be for five-month U.S. dollar deposits and the other of which shall be for six-month U.S. dollar deposits.

If, on any LIBOR Determination Date, such rate does not appear on Telerate Page 3750 (as reported by Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News) or such other page as may replace such Page 3750, the Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks (as defined below) to leading banks in the London interbank market for three-month (or five-month or six-month, as applicable) U.S. dollar deposits in an amount determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to requests for quotations as of approximately 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the LIBOR Determination Date made by the Calculation Agent to the Reference Banks. If, on any LIBOR Determination Date, at least two of the Reference Banks provide such quotations, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean of such quotations. If, on any LIBOR Determination Date, only one or none of the Reference Banks provide such quotations, LIBOR shall be deemed to be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that leading banks in The City of New York selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) are quoting on the relevant LIBOR Determination Date for three-month (or five-month or six-month, as applicable) U.S. dollar deposits in an

amount determined by the Calculation Agent that is representative of a single transaction in such market at such time by reference to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market; *provided that*, if the Calculation Agent is required but is unable to determine a rate in accordance with at least one of the procedures provided above, LIBOR shall be LIBOR as determined on the previous LIBOR Determination Date. As used herein, "Reference Banks" means four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer).

For purposes of any calculations referred to in this paragraph (b), all percentages resulting from such calculations will be rounded, if necessary, to the nearest one hundred-thousandth of a percentage point.

(c) As soon as possible after 11:00 a.m. (New York time) on each LIBOR Determination Date, but in no event later than 11:00 a.m. (New York time) on the Business Day immediately following each LIBOR Determination Date, the Calculation Agent will notify the Issuer, the Trustee, the Irish Paying Agent (as long as any of the Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange) and the Servicer of LIBOR for the next Periodic Interest Accrual Period. The Calculation Agent will also specify to the Issuer the quotations upon which LIBOR is based, and in any event the Calculation Agent shall notify the Issuer before 5:00 p.m. (New York time) on each LIBOR Determination Date that either: (i) it has determined or is in the process of determining LIBOR or (ii) it has not determined and is not in the process of determining LIBOR together with its reasons therefor.

(d) Upon receipt of notice of LIBOR for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period from the Calculation Agent pursuant to subsection (c) of this Section 2.11, the Trustee shall determine the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to the Notes for such Periodic Interest Accrual Period and notify the Irish Stock Exchange of the Applicable Periodic Rate for each Class of Note (as long as any of the Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange).

(e) The determination of LIBOR by the Calculation Agent and the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to the Notes by the Trustee (in the absence of manifest error) shall be final and binding upon all parties.

#### Section 2.12. [Option to Acquire Credit Enhancement.](#)

Holders of any Class of Notes may elect to acquire bond insurance, a surety bond or similar credit enhancement supporting the payment of principal and/or interest on such Class of Notes, on terms and conditions acceptable to such Holders and at the sole expense of such Holders. Any Class of Notes subject to such enhancement will be designated pursuant to a supplemental indenture adopted pursuant to Section 8.1 as "Insured Notes" of such Class. Premiums for any such enhancement (together with any other amounts payable to the issuer of such bond insurance policy, surety bond or similar credit enhancement, including, without limitation, amounts payable to any such issuer to reimburse it for draws thereunder, together with interest thereon), and costs incurred by the Co-Issuers in connection with such enhancement will be payable from amounts otherwise payable to such Class of Insured Notes, or in such other manner chosen by such Holder (*provided that* any such payment does not adversely affect any other Noteholder or holder of a Preferred Share). Any Insured Notes for substantially all other

purposes will be treated as Notes of such Class, except that the issuer of the bond insurance policy, surety bond or other such credit enhancement will generally be deemed to be the Holder of the Notes of such Class, enhanced by such entity and will in such capacity be entitled to exercise the rights otherwise exercisable by Holders of such Notes.

Section 2.13. Prescription.

Payment in respect of any Note will cease to be due if not paid to the Holder of such Note due to insufficient payment instructions from such Holder to the Trustee or the Paying Agent for a period of twenty years from the Relevant Date.

ARTICLE III

AUTHENTICATION AND DELIVERY OF NOTES

Section 3.1. General Provisions.

On the Closing Date, the Notes shall be executed by the Co-Issuers and delivered to the Trustee for authentication and thereupon the same shall be authenticated and delivered by the Trustee upon the Issuer's written request and upon compliance with the conditions of Section 3.2 hereof, and upon receipt by the Trustee of the following:

(a) an Officers' Certificate of the Co-Issuers evidencing the authorization of the execution, authentication and delivery of the Transaction Documents, the Notes and the Preferred Shares and specifying the Final Maturity Dates, the applicable principal or stated amounts and the interest rates and yields of each Class of the Notes to be authenticated and delivered;

(b) an Opinion or Opinions of Counsel, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the form or forms attached hereto as Schedule G.

(c) an Officer's Certificate or Certificates of the Co-Issuers stating that all representations and warranties of the Co-Issuers set forth in the Transaction Documents are true and correct and neither of the Co-Issuers is in Default under this Indenture and that the issuance of the Notes and the Preferred Shares then applied for will not result in a breach of any of the terms, conditions or provisions of, or constitute a default under, any indenture or other agreement or instrument to which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, is a party or by which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, is bound, or any order of any court or administrative agency entered in any proceeding to which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, is a party or by which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, is bound or to which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, is subject; and that all conditions precedent (other than the deposit of cash by the Trustee in the appropriate accounts as provided in Section 3.2(e), (f) and (g) hereof) provided in this Section 3.1 and all requirements under Section 3.2 hereof and all conditions precedent otherwise provided in this Indenture relating to the authentication and delivery of the Notes applied for have been complied with;

(d) an Accountants' Certificate in form and substance acceptable to the Issuer and the Co-Issuer confirming that the Notes of each Class will be retired by their Final Maturity

Dates in accordance with the assumptions set forth in Section 1.3 hereof and specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing;

(e) an executed counterpart of the Servicing Agreement, the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement;

(f) the Initial Portfolio Collateral as provided in Section 3.2(a) hereof;

(g) an Issuer Request directing the Trustee to authenticate the Notes in the amounts set forth therein, registered in the name(s) set forth therein or as otherwise provided to the Trustee by the Issuer or at its direction, and to make delivery thereof to the Issuer or as it may otherwise direct therein;

(h) an Officer's Certificate from the Servicer (i) confirming that Schedule A attached to this Indenture correctly lists the Initial Portfolio Collateral to be granted to the Trustee on the Closing Date (in the case of items of Debt Securities) or scheduled to be granted to the Trustee on or not later than thirty (30) days after the Closing Date (in the case of Portfolio Loans) pursuant to Section 3.2(a) hereof and (ii) confirming such information with respect to each item of Initial Portfolio Collateral as the Issuer reasonably deems necessary to confirm that such item of Initial Portfolio Collateral, individually and in the aggregate, meets the requirements specified in this Indenture; and

(i) such other documents as the Trustee may reasonably require.

Section 3.2. Security for Notes.

On the Closing Date, the following conditions shall have been satisfied:

(a) Delivery of Initial Portfolio Collateral. The Initial Portfolio Collateral to be Granted to the Trustee on such Closing Date, in an amount at least equal to the Initial Portfolio Collateral Amount, shall have been Delivered to the Trustee (or, with respect to Portfolio Loans, trade confirmations, commitment letters, assignment documents or other documents evidencing a commitment to purchase by the Issuer of the Initial Portfolio Collateral on or not later than thirty (30) days after the Closing Date shall have been delivered to the Trustee).

(b) Certificate of the Issuer. A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, shall have been delivered to the Trustee to the effect, in the case of each item of Portfolio Collateral and the Deposit included in the Trust Estate on the Closing Date, that as of the Closing Date:

(i) the Issuer is the owner of such item of Portfolio Collateral and the Deposit free and clear of any liens, claims (including any adverse claims) or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever, except for those granted or expressly permitted pursuant to this Indenture and due bills, if any, with respect to interest, or a portion thereof, accrued on such Portfolio Collateral prior to the first payment date and owed by the Issuer to the seller of such Portfolio Collateral;

(ii) the Issuer has acquired its ownership in such item of Portfolio Collateral and the Deposit in good faith without notice of any adverse claim, except as described in paragraph (b)(i) above;

(iii) the Issuer has Delivered such item of Portfolio Collateral to the Trustee and has not assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered any interest in such Portfolio Collateral or the Deposit other than interests granted or expressly permitted pursuant to this Indenture;

(iv) the Issuer has full right to Grant and does hereby Grant such item of Portfolio Collateral and the Deposit to the Trustee;

(v) the information set forth with respect to such item of Portfolio Collateral in Schedule A hereto is correct;

(vi) such item of Portfolio Collateral satisfies the requirements of the definition of Portfolio Collateral; and

(vii) no such item of Portfolio Collateral is Discount Portfolio Collateral.

(c) Rating Letters. The Trustee shall have received written evidence that the Class X Notes have been rated "AAA" by Standard & Poor's and "Aaa" by Moody's, the Class A-1LA Notes have been rated "AAA" by Standard & Poor's and "Aaa" by Moody's, the Class A-1LB Notes have been rated "AAA" by Standard & Poor's and "Aaa" by Moody's, the Class A-2L Notes have been rated at least "AA" by Standard & Poor's and at least "Aa2" by Moody's, the Class A-3L Notes have been rated at least "A" by Standard & Poor's and at least "A2" by Moody's, the Class A-4L Notes have been rated "A-" by Standard & Poor's and "A3" by Moody's and that the Class B-1L Notes have been rated "BBB" by Standard & Poor's and "Baa2" by Moody's.

(d) Accounts. The Collection Account, the Collateral Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Reserve Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Expense Account, the Loan Funding Account, the Default Swap Collateral Account, the Default Swap Issuer Account and the Preferred Shares Collection Account shall have been established.

(e) Initial Deposit Account. The Issuer shall have delivered to the Trustee on the Closing Date cash in the amount of \$125,678,543.30 representing the Deposit for inclusion in the Trust Estate and the Trustee shall have credited such cash to the Initial Deposit Account.

(f) Expense Reimbursement Account; Closing Expense Deposit. The Issuer shall have delivered to the Trustee on the Closing Date cash in the amount of at least \$50,000 for inclusion in the Trust Estate and the Trustee shall have credited such cash to the Expense Reimbursement Account. The Issuer shall have delivered to the Trustee on the Closing Date cash in the amount of \$2,512,500 for inclusion in the Trust Estate, and the Trustee shall have credited such cash to the Closing Expense Account (the "Closing Expense Deposit") which, after payment of all closing expenses (according to the list delivered to the Trustee), shall be transferred to the Initial Deposit Account or the Collection Account and applied as set forth in Section 10.2(h).

(g) Loan Funding Account. The Issuer shall have delivered to the Trustee on the Closing Date cash in the amount of \$5,784,684.17 which is equal to the Issuer's commitment to make or otherwise fund draws related to any Delayed Drawdown Loans or Revolving Loans in the Initial Portfolio Collateral and the Trustee shall have credited such cash to the Loan Funding Account.

Section 3.3. Initial Deposit Redemption.

(a) The Issuer shall use reasonable efforts to use on or prior to the Effective Date the available funds and Eligible Investments in the Initial Deposit Account (other than Account Income on funds on deposit in the Initial Deposit Account) to purchase additional Original Portfolio Collateral as permitted pursuant to Section 3.4 hereof taking into account the Initial Portfolio Collateral and Original Portfolio Collateral already purchased by the Issuer in the Trust Estate (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any of the Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date). If the remaining Deposit in the Initial Deposit Account as of the Effective Date equals or exceeds \$2,000,000 and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Original Portfolio Collateral (determined in accordance with the foregoing sentence) acquired or committed to be acquired by the Issuer is less than the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount (subject to the second paragraph of Section 3.4(a)), the Issuer shall cause an Initial Deposit Redemption to occur on the Initial Deposit Redemption Date by redeeming the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class X Notes in an aggregate amount equal to the excess of the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount over the par amount of Original Portfolio Collateral; *provided that* the amount applied to such Initial Deposit Redemption shall not exceed the remaining amount of the Deposit (the "Initial Deposit Redemption Amount"). No interest or other amount in excess of the Initial Deposit Redemption Amount, other than the Periodic Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class X Notes through the Initial Deposit Redemption Date due on the next succeeding Payment Date, shall be payable on or in respect of the Class A-1LA or the Class Notes X Notes redeemed in an Initial Deposit Redemption. If there is a Deposit in the Initial Deposit Account on the Effective Date but no Initial Deposit Redemption is required pursuant to the terms of this Section 3.3(a), the remaining Deposit in the Initial Deposit Account shall be transferred to the Collection Account on the Effective Date and shall, subject to Section 3.4(d), constitute Collateral Principal Collections. Account Income in the Initial Deposit Account shall be transferred to the Collection Account on the Effective Date and shall constitute Collateral Interest Collections.

(b) If an Initial Deposit Redemption is required, the Issuer, not later than the third Business Day immediately following the Effective Date, shall notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency in writing that an Initial Deposit Redemption is required pursuant to Section 3.3(a) hereof and the amount of the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class X Notes required to be redeemed pursuant thereto.

(c) Notice of an Initial Deposit Redemption shall be given by the Trustee by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not less than ten calendar days prior to the Initial Deposit Redemption Date, to each Holder of the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class X Notes to be redeemed at the address for such Holder in the Note Register and so long as any Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, to the Irish Paying Agent. All notices of Initial Deposit



Redemption shall state the Initial Deposit Redemption Date, the Redemption Record Date with respect thereto, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class X Notes to be redeemed, and that no interest or other amount in excess of the Initial Deposit Redemption Amount shall be payable on the amount of the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class X Notes to be redeemed.

(d) If an Initial Deposit Redemption is required, all Eligible Investments in the Initial Deposit Account representing the Deposit not applied to the purchase of Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date shall be liquidated on the Business Day immediately preceding the Initial Deposit Redemption Date and the proceeds thereof shall be held in the Initial Deposit Account. On the Initial Deposit Redemption Date, the Trustee shall withdraw from the Initial Deposit Account all funds therein and apply such funds to the payment of Holders of the Notes in an amount equal to the Initial Deposit Redemption Amount or to a deposit in the Collection Account, as applicable.

Section 3.4. Purchase of Portfolio Collateral between the Closing Date and the Effective Date; Effective Date Conditions.

(a) The Issuer may (i) purchase Original Portfolio Collateral on any Business Day during the period from and including the Closing Date to and including the Effective Date or (ii) enter into a commitment to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral on any Business Day during the period from and including the Closing Date to and including the Effective Date for purchase on or as soon as practicable thereafter (*provided that* the agreed to settlement date shall not be more than thirty (30) days after the Effective Date), in each case, for inclusion in the Trust Estate in an aggregate amount equal to the Deposit in the Initial Deposit Account. Upon receipt of a Servicer Order requesting the purchase of Original Portfolio Collateral the Trustee shall pay out of the Initial Deposit Account, during the period commencing on the Closing Date and ending on the Effective Date, all or a portion of the funds available therein for the purpose of purchasing Original Portfolio Collateral.

No Original Portfolio Collateral may be purchased prior to the Effective Date unless immediately following the purchase of such item of Portfolio Collateral (as certified by Servicer Order), the remaining Deposit in the Initial Deposit Account, after giving effect to such purchase, is sufficient as of the date of determination to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral in an Aggregate Principal Amount at least equal to the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount for delivery into the Trust Estate (taking into account the Initial Portfolio Collateral and Original Portfolio Collateral already in the Trust Estate (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any of the Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date)).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, or any other provision hereof, if the Issuer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase an item of Portfolio Collateral to be included in the Trust Estate, such commitment not to exceed thirty (30) days, and at the time of such commitment such an item of Portfolio Collateral complied with the definition of Portfolio Collateral and this Section 3.4(a), then the Issuer may consummate the purchase of such an item

of Portfolio Collateral notwithstanding that such an item of Portfolio Collateral fails to comply with the definition of Portfolio Collateral and such criteria on the date of settlement.

(b) The Servicer shall cause to be delivered to the Trustee on the Effective Date an amended Schedule A to this Indenture listing all Original Portfolio Collateral (including the Initial Portfolio Collateral then in the Trust Estate) and all commitments to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral, which schedule shall supersede any prior Schedule A delivered to the Trustee.

(c) The Issuer will use its commercially reasonable efforts to purchase, or to enter into binding agreements to purchase, Original Portfolio Collateral by the Effective Date, that, including the Initial Portfolio Collateral, will satisfy, as of the Effective Date, the Collateral Quality Tests, the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 and the Overcollateralization Tests. Within 5 Business Days after the Effective Date, the Issuer or the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) shall request a Rating Confirmation on behalf of the Issuer and shall provide a report to the Rating Agencies identifying the Original Portfolio Collateral and the Issuer shall obtain and deliver to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies, together with the delivery of a report (and an electronic file of the Original Portfolio Collateral to S&P) substantially in the form of a Monthly Report as of the Effective Date, an Accountants' Certificate (a) confirming the maturity date, rating, spread, coupon and recovery rate for each item of Original Portfolio Collateral as of the Effective Date and the information provided by the Issuer with respect to every other asset included or to be included in the Trust Estate, by reference to such sources as shall be specified therein, (b) confirming that as of the Effective Date (1) each Overcollateralization Test is met; (2) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Original Portfolio Collateral that the Issuer owned or committed to purchase as of the Effective Date is at least equal to the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount and (3) the Portfolio Collateral complies with all of the requirements of the Collateral Quality Tests and the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 and (c) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing statements. If a Rating Confirmation Failure should occur, the Notes will be redeemed pursuant to Section 9.2 hereof.

(d) Notwithstanding any provision in this Indenture to the contrary, if, on the Effective Date, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to the Original Portfolio Collateral on or prior to such time) exceeds the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount and there are funds remaining from the Deposit held in the Initial Deposit Account, the Servicer may direct the Trustee to transfer up to the least of (i) 25% of such funds and (iii) \$1,000,000, to the Collection Account as additional Collateral Interest Collections; *provided* that the Overcollateralization Tests and the collateral criteria described herein are satisfied and the Interest Coverage Test for the most recent Payment Date was satisfied. The remainder of the Deposit shall be transferred by the Trustee to the Collection Account to be applied as Collateral Principal Collections on the Payment Date immediately following the date of determination.



Section 3.5. [Intermediaries.](#)

(a) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, to the extent any items of Portfolio Collateral issued by an issuer that is not the United States of America, an agency or instrumentality thereof, or some other U.S. Person (collectively, "Non-U.S. Portfolio Securities") are Granted to the Trustee, such Non-U.S. Portfolio Securities may be delivered to and held by the Trustee through one or more Foreign Sub-custodians or Foreign Clearance Systems (as those terms are defined in the Section below; collectively, "[Foreign Intermediaries](#)") if such Non-U.S. Portfolio Securities cannot be Delivered to the Trustee.

(b) The Trustee, for the purpose of receiving and holding any Non-U.S. Portfolio Securities (as defined in Section 3.5(a)), may appoint one or more banking or securities institutions located outside the United States (each a "[Foreign Sub-custodian](#)") and/or clearing agencies or systems located outside the United States (each, a "[Foreign Clearance System](#)"), including without limitation Euroclear and Clearstream. With respect to Non-U.S. Portfolio Securities (and related cash) held through Foreign Intermediaries, such Foreign Intermediaries may be authorized to hold Non-U.S. Portfolio Securities in central securities depositories or clearing agencies in which such Foreign Intermediaries participate.

(c) The Trustee's responsibility with respect to the selection or appointment of Foreign Intermediaries shall be limited to a duty to exercise reasonable care in the selection or retention of such Foreign Intermediaries in light of prevailing settlement and securities handling practices, procedures and controls in the relevant market and subject to Section 6.3 hereof; *provided that* the appointment of Euroclear or Clearstream to act as Foreign Intermediary shall be deemed to have been made in the exercise of due care. With respect to any costs, expenses, damages, liabilities, or claims (including, without limitation, attorneys' and accountants' fees) incurred by the Issuer as a result of the acts or the failure to act by any Foreign Intermediaries, the Trustee shall take reasonable action to recover such costs, expenses, damages, liabilities, or claims from such Foreign Intermediaries; *provided that* the Trustee's sole liability in that regard shall be limited to amounts actually received by it from such Foreign Intermediaries (exclusive of related costs and expenses incurred by the Trustee). The Trustee shall not be responsible or liable for any failure or delay in the performance of its obligations under this Indenture arising out of or caused, directly or indirectly, by circumstances beyond its reasonable control, including without limitation, acts of God; earthquakes or fires; floods, wars, civil or military disturbances; sabotage; epidemics; riots; interruptions, loss or malfunctions of utilities, computer (hardware or software) or communication service; accidents; labor disputes; acts of civil or military authority; governmental actions; or inability to obtain labor, material, equipment or transportation.

## ARTICLE IV

### [SATISFACTION AND DISCHARGE](#)

Section 4.1. [Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture.](#)

Provided no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing hereunder, this Indenture shall cease to be of further effect with respect to the Notes except as to (i) rights of registration of transfer and exchange, (ii) substitution of mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen

Notes, (iii) rights of Noteholders to receive payments of principal thereof and interest thereon, as applicable, and any other amounts payable in respect thereof, (iv) the rights, obligations and immunities of the Trustee hereunder and (v) the rights of Noteholders as beneficiaries hereof with respect to the property deposited with the Trustee and payable to all or any of them and the Trustee, on demand of and at the expense of the Issuer, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture when:

(1) Either

(a) all Notes theretofore authenticated and delivered (other than (i) Notes which have been destroyed, lost or stolen and which have been paid or replaced as provided in Section 2.6 hereof and (ii) Notes for whose payment money has theretofore been deposited in trust and thereafter repaid to the Issuer or discharged from such trust, as provided in Section 7.3 hereof) have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation; or

(b) all Notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation (i) have become due and payable, or (ii) will become due and payable at their Final Maturity Dates within one year;

and the Issuer, in the case of (b)(i) or (ii) above, has (x) irrevocably deposited or caused to be deposited with the Trustee in trust for such purpose, cash or Eligible Investments (any security satisfying the definition of Eligible Investments but for the maturity of such security shall for this purpose be deemed an Eligible Investment), the amount of cash and the Scheduled Distributions on any Eligible Investments being in an amount sufficient to pay and discharge the amount that equals the sum of the Cumulative Interest Amount on each Class of Notes to the date of such deposit or to the Final Maturity Date, as the case may be, and the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation, in each case to the extent not previously paid and (y) delivered an Accountants' Certificate to the Trustee confirming such calculations; *provided that* subsection (b) hereof shall not apply if an election to act in accordance with the provisions of Section 5.5 hereof shall have been made and not rescinded (except that the deposit of cash that would otherwise apply in the case of such subsection (b) shall nevertheless be required); *provided further* that any Eligible Investments deposited hereunder shall at the date of such deposit be rated no lower than the highest rating assigned to any of the Notes then outstanding;

(2) the Issuer has paid or caused to be paid all other sums payable hereunder by the Issuer; and

(3) the Issuer has delivered to the Trustee an Officer's Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that all conditions precedent herein provided for relating to the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture with respect to the Notes have been complied with.

Section 4.2. [Application of Trust Money.](#)

All monies deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 4.1 hereof shall be held in trust by the Trustee and applied by it, in accordance with the provisions of the Notes and this Indenture, to the payment to the Person entitled thereto of the principal and interest in

accordance with Section 11.1 hereof for whose payment such money has been deposited with the Trustee, and such money shall be held in a non-interest bearing segregated trust account identified as being held in trust for the benefit of the Noteholders. Except as specifically provided herein, the Trustee shall not be responsible for payment of interest upon any monies deposited with it.

## ARTICLE V

### REMEDIES

#### Section 5.1. Events of Default.

"Event of Default" means any one of the following events (whatever the reason for such Event of Default and whether it shall be voluntary or involuntary or be effected by operation of law or pursuant to any judgment, decree or order of any court or any order, rule or regulation of any administrative or governmental body):

(a) (i) default for a period of four Business Days or more (or, in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, any Paying Agent or the Note Registrar, for a period of seven Business Days or more, *provided that* the Trustee has notified each Rating Agency in writing of any such administrative error or omission) in the payment of any amount payable in respect of any Note when due when funds in such amount are available for payment as provided herein, or (ii) the failure to apply funds which are available for payment in accordance with the priority of distribution set forth in Article XI hereof, which failure shall continue for a period of four Business Days (or, in the case of a default in payment due solely to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, any Paying Agent or the Note Registrar, for a period of seven Business Days or more, *provided that* the Trustee has notified each Rating Agency in writing of any such administrative error or omission), or (iii) default for a period of four Business Days or more (or, in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, any Paying Agent or the Note Registrar, for a period of seven Business Days or more, *provided that* the Trustee has notified each Rating Agency in writing of any such administrative error or omission) in the payment of the Periodic Interest Amount due on any Class of Senior Class A Notes or Class X Payment, or, after the Senior Class A Notes and the Class X Notes are paid in full, the Periodic Interest Amount due on any Class A-3L Notes, or after the Senior Class A Notes, the Class X Notes and the Class A-3L Notes are paid in full, the Periodic Interest Amount due on any Class A-4L Notes, or after the Class A Notes and the Class X Notes are paid in full, the Class B-1L Notes, on any Payment Date, or (iv) default in the payment of the Aggregate Principal Amount and the Cumulative Interest Amount, due on any Class of Notes on the Final Maturity Date; or

(b) default in the performance or breach of any covenant, representation, warranty or other agreement of the Co-Issuers (or either one of them), other than compliance with the Overcollateralization Tests, the Interest Coverage Test or the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 hereof or a default in the performance or breach of a covenant, representation, warranty or other agreement which is specifically dealt with elsewhere in this Section or in Article VII hereof, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Co-Issuers (or either one of them) made in this Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant hereto or in connection

herewith to be correct in all material respects when the same shall have been made, in either case which materially and adversely affects the rights of any Class of Noteholders and continuance of such default, breach or failure for a period of 30 days after written notice thereof shall have been given to the Co-Issuers or the Servicer by the Trustee or to the Co-Issuers, the Servicer and the Trustee by the Majority Noteholders, specifying such default, breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that such notice is a "Notice of Default" hereunder; or

(c) the entry of a decree or order by a court having jurisdiction in the premises adjudging either of the Co-Issuers as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition of or in respect of either of the Co-Issuers under the Bankruptcy Code or any other applicable law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of either of the Co-Issuers or of any substantial part of their respective property, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of their respective affairs, and the continuance of any such decree, order, case or proceeding not dismissed, discharged or stayed and in effect for a period of 60 consecutive days; or

(d) the institution by either of the Co-Issuers of proceedings to be adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by either of them to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency proceedings against either of them, or the filing by either of them of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Bankruptcy Code or any other similar applicable law, or the consent by either of the Co-Issuers to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee or sequestrator (or other similar official) of either of the Co-Issuers or of any substantial part of their respective property, or to the ordering of the winding up or liquidation of their respective affairs, or the making by either of them of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by either of them in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or the taking of any action by either of the Co-Issuers in furtherance of any such action; or

(e) either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of assets constituting the Trust Estate becomes required to register as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act; or

(f) the failure to maintain on any Calculation Date a Senior Class A Overcollateralization Ratio greater than or equal to 100%.

## Section 5.2. [Acceleration of Maturity; Rescission and Annulment.](#)

(a) If an Event of Default (other than an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(c) or (d)) with respect to the Notes occurs and is continuing, the Trustee may, with the consent of the Requisite Noteholders, and shall, at the direction of the Requisite Noteholders, declare the principal of the Notes to be immediately due and payable, by a notice in writing to the Issuer and the Servicer. If an Event of Default as specified in Section 5.1(c) or (d) occurs and is continuing, the principal of the Notes shall be and become immediately due and payable without the necessity of notice or any other action of any Person. If the Notes are declared to be immediately due and payable or if an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(c) or (d) hereof occurs, the Holders of each Class of Notes shall be entitled to receive, as applicable, and in the order of priority set forth in Section 11.1(d), the Cumulative Interest Amount and the Aggregate Principal Amount with respect thereto (in each case as calculated and accrued through the date of

payment in full of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Notes), and the Servicer shall be entitled to receive the amounts payable to the Servicer under and in the order of priority set forth in Sections 11.1(b) and 11.1(d).

(b) At any time after such a declaration of acceleration of maturity has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee as provided in this Article, the Requisite Noteholders, by written notice to the Trustee and the Co-Issuers, may rescind and annul such declaration and its consequences if:

(i) the Issuer has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:

(A) all overdue amounts payable on or in respect of the Notes (other than amounts due solely as a result of the acceleration);

(B) to the extent that payment of interest on such amount is lawful, interest on such overdue amounts at the Applicable Periodic Rate; and

(C) all unpaid Trustee Administrative Expenses, Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses, Issuer Base Administrative Expenses, Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses, and other sums paid or advanced by the Trustee and the Paying and Transfer Agent hereunder and under the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement and the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee and the Paying and Transfer Agent, their agents and counsel.

(ii) the Trustee has (A) received written evidence that the sum paid or deposited with the Trustee by the Issuer pursuant to clause (i) above is sufficient, and (B) determined that all Events of Default, other than the nonpayment of such amount that has become due solely by such acceleration, have been (1) cured, and the Requisite Noteholders by written notice to the Trustee have agreed with such determination (which agreement shall not unreasonably be withheld), or (2) waived as provided in Section 5.15 hereof.

### Section 5.3. Proceedings.

If an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing and the Notes have been declared due and payable and such declaration and its consequences have not been rescinded and annulled, or at any time on or after the Final Maturity Date, the Trustee may in its discretion proceed to protect and enforce its rights and the rights of the Noteholders by such appropriate Proceedings, in its own name and as trustee of an express trust, as the Trustee shall deem most effective or as the Trustee may be directed by the Requisite Noteholders to protect and enforce any such rights, whether for the specific enforcement of any covenant or agreement in this Indenture or in aid of the exercise of any power granted herein, or for collection of sums due and unpaid, or to enforce any other proper remedy or legal or equitable right vested in the Trustee by this Indenture or by law, but subject, however, to the terms of Section 5.4 hereof. The reasonable compensation, costs, expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or paid by the Trustee, and its agents and counsel, in connection with any such Proceeding, including, without limitation, the exercise of any remedies pursuant to Section 5.4 hereof, shall be reimbursed to the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.7 hereof.

Section 5.4. [Remedies.](#)

(a) If the Notes have been declared due and payable and such declaration and its consequences have not been rescinded or annulled, or at any time on or after the Final Maturity Date, the Trustee may, after written notice to the Noteholders, and, so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent, and shall, upon direction by the Requisite Noteholders, to the extent permitted by applicable law, do one or more of the following:

(i) institute Proceedings for the collection of all amounts then payable on the Notes or under this Indenture, whether by declaration or otherwise, enforce any judgment obtained, and collect from the Trust Estate securing the Notes monies adjudged due;

(ii) institute Proceedings for the complete or partial foreclosure of this Indenture with respect to the Trust Estate securing the Notes;

(iii) exercise any remedies of a secured party under the UCC including the sale or liquidation of the Trust Estate in accordance with Section 5.18 hereof and take any other appropriate action to protect and enforce the rights and remedies of the Trustee or the Holders of the Notes hereunder; or

(iv) exercise any other rights and remedies that may be available at law or in equity;

*provided that* the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Trust Estate, or any portion thereof, or any rights or interest therein, unless (x) in the case of an acceleration resulting from an Event of Default set forth in Section 5.1(a) hereof, or a sale or liquidation of any portion of the Trust Estate at or greater than its par value (*provided that* Defaulted Portfolio Collateral may be liquidated without reference to, or inclusion in the calculation of, such limitation), the Requisite Noteholders have so directed the Trustee in writing to sell or liquidate the Trust Estate or any portion thereof or (y) in the case of any other Event of Default or resulting sale or liquidation, 100% of the Noteholders have so directed the Trustee in writing to sell or liquidate the Trust Estate or any portion thereof; *provided further* that no Default Swap or Synthetic Security may be terminated so long as a declaration of acceleration may be rescinded or annulled pursuant to Section 5.2(b). The Trustee shall send written notice to each of the Noteholders, with a copy to the Rating Agencies and so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent, of any proposed sale or liquidation of the Trust Estate together with a brief description thereof and such written notice shall be accompanied by an Accountant's Certificate (i) confirming the information with respect to such sale or liquidation (to the extent such accountants shall be able and willing to confirm such information) and (ii) specifying the procedures, if any, undertaken by them to review the data and computations relating to such sale or liquidation. The cost of such Accountant's Certificate shall be reimbursed to the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.7 hereof. If the applicable Noteholders direct any sale or liquidation of the Trust Estate, or any portion thereof, the Trustee shall sell or liquidate the Trust Estate, or portion, thereof, in accordance with Section 5.18 hereof at one or more public or private sales conducted in any manner permitted by law.



(b) If an Event of Default as described in Section 5.1(b) hereof has occurred and is continuing, the Trustee may, after written notice to the Noteholders, with a copy to the Rating Agencies, and so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent, and shall, upon direction of the Requisite Noteholders, institute a Proceeding to compel performance of the covenant or to cure the representation or warranty, the breach of which gave rise to the Event of Default under such Section and enforce any decree or order arising from such Proceeding.

(c) If an Event of Default described in Sections 5.1(a)(iii) or 5.1(a)(iv) hereof has occurred and is continuing, the Trustee shall, upon written direction of the Requisite Noteholders, terminate the services of the Servicer in accordance with the terms of the Servicing Agreement.

#### Section 5.5. Preservation of Trust Estate.

(a) If an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or if the Final Maturity Date has occurred and subject to Section 5.4 hereof, the Trustee shall retain the Trust Estate securing the Notes intact, collect and cause the collection of the proceeds thereof and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Notes in accordance with the provisions of Sections 10.1, 10.2(a), 10.2(b) and 11.1 hereof (unless and until the Notes have been declared due and payable and the applicable Noteholders have directed the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.4(a) hereof to sell or liquidate the Trust Estate or any portion thereof). The Trustee shall give written notice of the retention of the Trust Estate to the Issuer. If the Notes have been declared due and payable pursuant to Section 5.2 hereof or if the Final Maturity Date has occurred, any such retention pursuant to this Section 5.5(a) may be rescinded at any time by written notice to the Trustee and the Co-Issuers from the applicable Noteholders directing the Trustee to sell or liquidate the Trust Estate or any portion thereof.

(b) Nothing contained in Section 5.5(a) hereof shall be construed to require the Trustee to preserve the Trust Estate securing the Notes if prohibited by applicable law.

#### Section 5.6. Trustee May File Proofs of Claim.

In case there shall be pending Proceedings relative to the Issuer or any other obligor upon the Notes under the Bankruptcy Code or any other applicable bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law, or in case a receiver, assignee or trustee in bankruptcy or reorganization, liquidator, sequestrator or similar official shall have been appointed for or taken possession of the Issuer or its property or such other obligor or its property, or in case of any other comparable Proceedings relative to the Issuer or other obligor, or in case of any voluntary dissolution, liquidation or winding-up of the Issuer, regardless of whether the principal of any Notes shall then be due and payable as therein expressed or by declaration or otherwise and regardless of whether the Trustee shall have made any demand pursuant to the provisions of Section 5.3 hereof, the Trustee is hereby entitled and empowered to, and may and at the direction of the Requisite Noteholders, shall, by intervention in such Proceedings or otherwise:

(i) file and prove a claim or claims for the whole amount of principal and interest owing and unpaid in respect of the Notes, and to file such other papers or

documents and take such other action, including participating as a member, voting or otherwise, of any committee of creditors, as may be necessary or advisable in order to have the claims of the Trustee (including any claim for reasonable compensation to the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, and their respective agents, attorneys and counsel, and for reimbursement of all expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee or any Noteholder, except as a result of negligence or bad faith) and of the Noteholders allowed in any Proceedings relative to the Issuer or other obligor upon the Notes or this Indenture or to the creditors or property of the Issuer or such other obligor;

(ii) unless prohibited by applicable law and regulations, upon direction of the Requisite Noteholders vote on behalf of the Holders of the Notes in any election of a trustee or a standby trustee in arrangement, reorganization, liquidation or other bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings (or person performing similar functions in comparable Proceedings); and

(iii) collect and receive any monies or other property payable to or deliverable on any such claims, and distribute in accordance with Section 5.8 hereof all amounts received with respect to the claims of the Noteholders and the Trustee on their behalf; and any trustee, receiver or liquidator, custodian or other similar official is hereby authorized by each of the Noteholders to make payments to the Trustee, and, in the event that the Trustee shall consent to the making of payments directly to the Noteholders, to pay to the Trustee such amounts as shall be sufficient to cover reasonable compensation to the Trustee, each predecessor Trustee and their respective agents, attorneys and counsel, and all other expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee or any Noteholder except as a result of negligence or bad faith.

Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to authorize the Trustee to authorize or consent to or vote for or accept or adopt on behalf of any Noteholder any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or compromise affecting the Notes or the rights of any Holder thereof, or to authorize the Trustee to vote in respect of the claim of any Noteholder in any such Proceeding except, as aforesaid, to vote for the election of a trustee in bankruptcy (or person performing similar functions in comparable Proceedings) or to participate as a member of any committee of creditors.

In any Proceedings brought by the Trustee (and also any Proceedings involving the interpretation of any provision of this Indenture to which the Trustee shall be a party) the Trustee shall be held to represent all the Holders of the Notes subject to the provisions of this Indenture, and it shall not be necessary to make any Holders of the Notes parties to any such Proceedings.

#### Section 5.7. [Trustee May Enforce Claims Without Possession of Notes.](#)

All rights of action and claims under this Indenture or the Notes may be prosecuted and enforced by the Trustee without the possession of any of the Notes or the production thereof in any Proceeding relating thereto, and any such Proceeding instituted by the



Trustee shall be brought in its own name as trustee of an express trust, and any recovery of judgment shall be applied as set forth in Section 5.8 hereof.

Section 5.8. [Application of Money Collected.](#)

Any money collected by or on behalf of the Trustee with respect to the Notes pursuant to this Article V (including all collections from, and proceeds of the sale or liquidation of, the Trust Estate) shall be applied at the date or dates fixed by the Trustee and in the same order as specified in Sections 11.1(b) and 11.1(d) hereof.

Section 5.9. [Limitation on Suits.](#)

Except as otherwise provided in Section 5.10 hereof, no Holder of any Note shall have any right to institute any Proceedings, judicial or otherwise, with respect to this Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy hereunder, unless:

(a) such Holder has previously given written notice to the Trustee of a continuing Event of Default;

(b) the Requisite Noteholders shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute Proceedings in respect of such Event of Default in its own name as Trustee hereunder;

(c) such Holder or Holders have offered to the Trustee indemnity reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee against the costs, expenses and liabilities to be incurred by the Trustee in compliance with such request;

(d) the Trustee for 30 days after its receipt of such notice, request and offer of such indemnity has failed to institute any such Proceedings; and

(e) no direction inconsistent with such written request has been given to the Trustee during such 30-day period by the Requisite Noteholders;

it being understood and intended that no one or more Holders of Notes shall have any right in any manner whatever by virtue of, or by availing of, any provision of this Indenture to affect, disturb or prejudice the rights of any other Holders of Notes of the same Class or to obtain or to seek to obtain priority or preference over any other Holders of Notes of the same Class or to enforce any right under this Indenture, except in the manner herein provided and for the equal and ratable benefit of all the Holders of Notes of the same Class.

Section 5.10. [Unconditional Rights of Noteholders to Receive Principal and Interest.](#)

Notwithstanding any other provision in this Indenture, but subject to the provisions of Sections 2.7 and 11.1 hereof, (a) the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive an aggregate amount equal to the unpaid Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount, if any, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class X Notes, as applicable, and accrued and unpaid interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate, as any such amounts become due and payable, (b) the

Holders of the Class A-1LB Notes shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive an aggregate amount equal to the unpaid Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount, if any, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LB Notes and accrued and unpaid interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate, as any such amounts become due and payable, (c) the Holders of the Class A-2L Notes shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive an aggregate amount equal to the unpaid Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount, if any, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2L Notes and accrued and unpaid interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate, as any such amounts become due and payable, (d) the Holders of the Class A-3L Notes shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive an aggregate amount equal to the unpaid Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount, if any, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes and accrued and unpaid interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate, as any such amounts become due and payable, (e) the Holders of the Class A-4L Notes shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive an aggregate amount equal to the unpaid Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount, if any, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-4L Notes and accrued and unpaid interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate, as any such amounts become due and payable, and (f) the Holders of the Class B-1L Notes shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive an aggregate amount equal to the unpaid Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount, if any, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes and the accrued and unpaid interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate as any such amounts become due and payable. Furthermore, the Holder of any Note shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to institute Proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment, and such right shall not be impaired without the consent of such Holder. Notwithstanding any other provision in this Section 5.10 or otherwise in this Indenture to the contrary, (i) Holders of the Class A-3L Notes shall have no right to institute Proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment until such time as no Senior Class A Notes remain Outstanding, (ii) Holders of the Class A-4L Notes shall have no right to institute Proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment until such time as no Senior Class A Notes remain Outstanding, and (iii) Holders of the Class B-1L Notes shall have no right to institute Proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment until such time as no Class A Notes remain Outstanding, and, in each case, any such right to institute Proceedings shall be subject to the provisions of Section 5.9 hereof.

#### Section 5.11. Restoration of Rights and Remedies.

If the Trustee or any Noteholder has instituted any Proceeding to enforce any right or remedy under this Indenture and such Proceeding has been discontinued or abandoned for any reason, or has been determined adversely to the Trustee or to such Noteholder, then and in every such case the Issuer, the Trustee and the Noteholder shall, subject to any determination in such Proceeding, be restored severally and respectively to their former positions hereunder, and thereafter all rights and remedies of the Trustee and the Noteholders shall continue as though no such Proceeding had been instituted.

#### Section 5.12. Rights and Remedies Cumulative.

No right or remedy herein conferred upon or reserved to the Trustee or to the Holders of the Notes is intended to be exclusive of any other right or remedy, and every right and remedy shall, to the extent permitted by law, be cumulative and in addition to every other right

and remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing by law or in equity or otherwise. The assertion or employment of any right or remedy hereunder, or otherwise, shall not prevent the concurrent assertion or employment of any other appropriate right or remedy.

Section 5.13. [Delay or Omission Not Waiver.](#)

No delay or omission of the Trustee or of any Holder of any Note to exercise any right or remedy occurring upon any Event of Default shall impair any such right or remedy or constitute a waiver of any such Event of Default or an acquiescence therein. Every right and remedy given by this Article V or by law to the Trustee or to the Noteholders may be exercised from time to time, and as often as may be deemed expedient, by the Trustee or by the Noteholders, as the case may be.

Section 5.14. [Control by Noteholders.](#)

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the Requisite Noteholders, on behalf of the Holders of all the Notes, shall have the right (a) to cause the institution of and direct the time, method and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee or (b) subject to Section 6.3(e) hereof, to direct the Trustee with respect to its exercise of any right, remedy, trust or power conferred on the Trustee; *provided that*:

(i) such direction shall not be in conflict with any rule of law or with any express provision of this Indenture (including, without limitation, any provision hereof providing express personal protection to the Trustee or a limitation on the liability of the Co-Issuers as set forth in Section 2.7(i) hereof), and

(ii) the Trustee may take any other action deemed proper by the Trustee that is not inconsistent with such direction; *provided that*, subject to Section 6.1 hereof, the Trustee need not take any action that it reasonably determines might involve it in liability.

Section 5.15. [Waiver of Past Defaults.](#)

Prior to the time a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee, the Requisite Noteholders may on behalf of the Holders of all the Notes waive any past Default and its consequences, with notice to the Rating Agencies, except a Default:

(a) in the payment of the principal of or interest on any Note, or

(b) in respect of a covenant or provision hereof that under Section 8.2 hereof cannot be modified or amended without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note affected.

In the case of any such waiver, the Issuer, the Trustee and the Holders of the Notes shall be restored to their former positions and rights hereunder, respectively; but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other Default or impair any right consequent thereto. Upon such waiver, such Default shall cease to exist, and any Event of Default arising therefrom

shall be deemed to have been cured, for every purpose of this Indenture; but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other Default or impair any right consequent thereon.

Section 5.16. [Undertaking for Costs.](#)

All parties to this Indenture agree, and each Holder of any Note by his acceptance thereof shall be deemed to have agreed, that any court may in its discretion require, in any suit for the enforcement of any right or remedy under this Indenture, or in any suit against the Trustee for any action taken, or omitted by it as Trustee, the filing by any party litigant in such suit of an undertaking to pay the costs of such suit, and that such court may in its discretion assess reasonable costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, against any party litigant in such suit, having due regard to the merits and good faith of the claims or defenses made by such party litigant; but the provisions of this Section 5.16 shall not apply to any suit instituted by the Trustee, to any suit instituted by any Noteholder, or group of Noteholders, holding in the aggregate more than 10% in Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes, or to any suit instituted by any Noteholder for the enforcement of the payment of the principal of or interest on any Note on or after the Final Maturity Date expressed in such Note.

Section 5.17. [Waiver of Stay or Execution Laws.](#)

Each of the Co-Issuers covenants (to the extent that it may lawfully do so) that it will not at any time insist upon, or plead, or in any manner whatsoever claim or take the benefit or advantage of, any stay or execution law wherever enacted, including, but not limited to, filing a voluntary petition under the Bankruptcy Code now or at any time hereafter in force, which may affect the covenants or the performance of or the exercise of any remedies under this Indenture; and each of the Co-Issuers (to the extent that they may lawfully do so) hereby expressly waives all benefit or advantage of any such law, and covenants that it will not hinder, delay or impede the execution of any power herein granted to the Trustee or any Noteholder, but will suffer and permit the execution of every such power as though no such law had been enacted.

Section 5.18. [Sale of Trust Estate.](#)

(a) The power to effect any sale (a "Sale") of any portion of the Trust Estate pursuant to Section 5.4 and Section 5.5 hereof shall not be exhausted by any one or more Sales as to any portion of such Trust Estate remaining unsold, but shall continue unimpaired until the entire Trust Estate securing the Notes shall have been sold or all amounts payable on the Notes under this Indenture with respect thereto shall have been paid. The costs of any such sale of the Trust Estate shall be reimbursable to the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.7 hereof. The Trustee may, upon notice to the Noteholders, and so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent, and shall, upon direction of the Requisite Noteholders, postpone any Sale by public announcement made at the time of and place of such Sale. The Trustee hereby expressly waives its right to any amount fixed by law as compensation for any Sale.

(b) The Trustee may bid for and acquire any portion of the Trust Estate in connection with a Sale thereof on an arm's length basis to the extent not prohibited by applicable law, and may pay all or part of the purchase price by crediting against amounts owing on the

Notes or other amounts secured by this Indenture, all or part of the net proceeds of such Sale after deducting the reasonable costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Trustee in connection with such Sale notwithstanding the provisions of Section 6.7 hereof. The Notes need not be produced in order to complete any such Sale, or in order for the net proceeds of such Sale to be credited against amounts owing on the Notes. The Trustee may hold, lease, operate, manage or otherwise deal with any property so acquired in any manner permitted by law in accordance with this Indenture.

(c) If any portion of the Trust Estate consists of securities issued without registration under the Securities Act ("Unregistered Securities"), the Trustee may seek an Opinion of Counsel, or, if no such Opinion of Counsel can be obtained and with the consent of the Requisite Noteholders, seek a no-action position from the Securities and Exchange Commission or any other relevant Federal or state regulatory authorities, regarding the legality of a public or private sale of such Unregistered Securities (the costs of which in each case, shall be reimbursable to the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.7 hereof).

(d) The Trustee shall execute and deliver an appropriate instrument of conveyance transferring its interest in any portion of the Trust Estate in connection with a Sale thereof. In addition, the Trustee is hereby irrevocably appointed the agent and attorney-in-fact of the Issuer to transfer and convey its interest in any portion of the Trust Estate in connection with a Sale thereof and to take all action necessary to effect such Sale. No purchaser or transferee at such a Sale shall be bound to ascertain the Trustee's authority, inquire into the satisfaction of any conditions precedent or see to the application of any monies.

#### Section 5.19. Action on Notes.

The Trustee's right to seek and recover judgment on the Notes or under this Indenture shall not be affected by the seeking or obtaining of or application for any other relief under or with respect to this Indenture. Neither the lien of this Indenture nor any rights or remedies of the Trustee or the Noteholders hereunder shall be impaired by the recovery of any judgment by the Trustee.

### ARTICLE VI

#### THE TRUSTEE

#### Section 6.1. Certain Duties and Responsibilities.

(a) Except during the continuance of an Event of Default (other than a Trustee Payment-Related Event of Default):

(1) the Trustee undertakes to perform such duties and only such duties as are specifically set forth in this Indenture, and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Indenture against the Trustee; and

(2) in the absence of bad faith on its part, the Trustee may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements and the correctness of the opinions expressed therein, upon certificates or opinions furnished to the Trustee and conforming to the

requirements of this Indenture; *provided that* in the case of any such certificates or opinions which by any provision hereof are specifically required to be furnished to the Trustee, the Trustee shall be under a duty to examine the same to determine whether or not they conform on their face to the requirements of this Indenture and shall promptly notify the party delivering the same if such certificate or opinion does not so conform. If a corrected certificate or opinion shall not have been delivered to the Trustee within 15 days after such notice from the Trustee, the Trustee shall so notify the Noteholders.

(b) In case an Event of Default (other than a Trustee Payment-Related Event of Default) of which the Trustee has actual knowledge has occurred and is continuing, the Trustee shall, prior to the receipt of directions, if any, from the Requisite Noteholders, exercise such of the rights and powers vested in it by this Indenture, and use the same degree of care and skill in its exercise as a prudent person would exercise or use under the circumstances in the conduct of such person's own affairs.

(c) No provision of this Indenture shall be construed to relieve the Trustee from liability for its own negligent action, its own negligent failure to act, or its own willful misconduct, except that:

(1) this subsection shall not be construed to limit the effect of subsection (a) of this Section;

(2) the Trustee shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by a Responsible Officer, unless it shall be proven that the Trustee was negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts;

(3) the Trustee shall not be liable with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in good faith in accordance with the direction of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in accordance with this Indenture and/or the Requisite Noteholders (or Holders with such larger percentage as may be required by the terms hereof) relating to the time, method and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred upon the Trustee, under this Indenture;

(4) no provision of this Indenture shall require the Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or incur any extraordinary financial liability in the performance of any of its duties hereunder, or in the exercise of any of its rights or powers, if it shall have reasonable grounds for believing that repayment of such funds or indemnity satisfactory to it against such risk or liability is not reasonably assured to it (provided that the unsecured agreement of any Noteholder that is an Institutional Investor organized under the laws of the United States or any State in the United States shall constitute adequate assurance with respect to repayment and indemnity; *provided that* the aggregate net worth of the Institutional Investors providing such unsecured agreements shall be not less than \$200,000,000); *provided that* the reasonable costs of performing its ordinary services under this Indenture shall not be deemed an "extraordinary financial liability" for purposes hereof; and

(5) the Trustee shall not be liable to the Noteholders for any action taken or omitted by it at the direction of the Issuer, the Servicer and/or the Holders of the

Notes under circumstances in which such direction is required or permitted by the terms of this Indenture.

(d) Whether or not therein expressly so provided, every provision of this Indenture relating to the conduct or affecting the liability of or affording protection to the Trustee shall be subject to the provisions of this Section 6.1 and Section 6.3 hereof.

(e) The Trustee, promptly after receipt by a Responsible Officer, shall transmit by first class mail all Holders of Notes, as their names and addresses appear on the Note Register, all written communications that are required hereunder to be delivered to the Trustee and are received from or on behalf of the Issuer or the Servicer (excluding in the case of the Holders (i) information provided by the Trustee to the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.4 hereof, (ii) so long as no Event of Default (other than a Trustee Payment-Related Event of Default) has occurred and is continuing, Servicer Orders received by the Trustee pursuant to Sections 10.2, 11.3 and 12.4 hereof, and (iii) Monthly Reports received pursuant to Section 10.5(a) hereof, unless, in any such case, requested by any Holder) and any notification or other communication received from any of the Rating Agencies stating that the rating of any Class of Notes has been, or will be, changed or withdrawn.

#### Section 6.2. [Notice of Default.](#)

Promptly (and in no event later than 5 Business Days) after the occurrence of any Default or Event of Default of which a Responsible Officer of the Trustee has actual knowledge or after any declaration of acceleration has been made by or delivered to the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.2 hereof, the Trustee shall transmit by mail to the Rating Agencies, to all Holders of Notes, as their names and addresses appear on the Note Register, and to the Issuer and the Servicer, notice of all Defaults or Events of Default hereunder of which a Responsible Officer of the Trustee has actual knowledge, unless such Default or Event of Default shall have been cured or waived.

#### Section 6.3. [Certain Rights of Trustee.](#)

Except as otherwise provided in Section 6.1 hereof:

(a) the Trustee may rely and shall be protected in acting or refraining from acting upon any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, bond, note or other paper or document (including but not limited to any reports prepared and delivered under Article X hereunder) believed by it in good faith to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties;

(b) any request or direction of the Servicer mentioned herein shall be sufficiently evidenced by a Servicer Request or Servicer Order, as the context may require;

(c) whenever in the administration of this Indenture the Trustee shall (i) deem it desirable that a matter be proved or established prior to taking, suffering or omitting any action hereunder, the Trustee (unless other evidence be herein specifically prescribed) may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely upon an Officer's Certificate or (ii) be required to determine the value of any Collateral or funds hereunder or the cash flows projected to be received



therefrom, the Trustee may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely on reports of nationally recognized accounting firms or other persons qualified to provide the information required to make such determination including nationally recognized dealers in securities of the type being valued and securities quotation services;

(d) as a condition to the taking or omitting of any action by it hereunder, the Trustee may consult with counsel and the advice of such counsel or any Opinion of Counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection in respect of any action taken or omitted by it hereunder in good faith and in reliance thereon;

(e) the Trustee shall be under no obligation to exercise any of the rights or powers vested in it by this Indenture at the request or direction of any of the Noteholders pursuant to this Indenture unless such Noteholders shall have offered to the Trustee security reasonably satisfactory to it or indemnity against all costs, expenses and liabilities which might reasonably be incurred by it in compliance with such request or direction (an unsecured indemnity agreement of an Institutional Investor organized under the laws of the United States or any state in the United States shall be deemed sufficient; *provided that* the aggregate net worth of the Institutional Investors providing such unsecured agreements shall not be less than \$200,000,000);

(f) the Trustee shall not be bound to make any investigation into the facts or matters stated in any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, bond, note or other paper or documents received by it, but the Trustee, in its discretion, may and, upon written direction of the Majority Noteholders shall, make such further inquiry or investigation into such facts or matters as it may see fit or as it shall be directed, and the Trustee and any Noteholder (acting solely through the Trustee and at the expense of such Noteholder) shall be entitled, on reasonable prior request (which request shall include a statement of the purpose therefor) made in advance to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer, to examine the books and records of the Issuer and the Servicer relating to the Trust Estate, personally or by agent or attorney during the Issuer's or the Servicer's normal business hours; *provided that* the Trustee or any such Noteholder shall, and shall cause its agents, to hold in confidence all such information, except (i) to the extent disclosure may be required by law, by any regulatory authority, the Transaction Documents or by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners, (ii) a Noteholder may disclose such information to any prospective transferee and to such Noteholder's and transferee's accountants, consultants, attorneys and similar agents; *provided that* all such persons agree in writing to hold such information as confidential and (iii) except to the extent that the Trustee, in its sole judgment, may determine that such disclosure is consistent with its obligations hereunder;

(g) the Trustee may execute any of the trusts or powers hereunder or perform any duties hereunder either directly or by or through agents or attorneys and the Trustee shall not be responsible for any misconduct or negligence on the part of any agent or attorney appointed with due care by it hereunder;

(h) to the extent permitted by applicable law, the Trustee shall not be required to give any bond or surety in respect of the execution of this Indenture or otherwise;



(i) the Trustee shall not be deemed to have notice or knowledge of any matter unless a Responsible Officer within the Corporate Trust Office has actual knowledge thereof or unless written notice thereof is received by the Trustee at the Corporate Trust Office and such notice references the Notes generally, the Issuer or this Indenture. Whenever reference is made in this Indenture to a Default or an Event of Default such reference shall, insofar as determining any liability on the part of the Trustee is concerned, be construed to refer only to a Default or an Event of Default of which the Trustee is deemed to have knowledge in accordance with this paragraph;

(j) the permissive right of the Trustee to take or refrain from taking any actions enumerated in this Indenture shall not be construed as a duty;

(k) the Trustee shall not be liable for any action it takes, or omits to take, in good faith that it reasonably believes to be authorized or within its rights or powers hereunder;

(l) the rights, privileges, protections, immunities and benefits given to the Trustee, including, without limitation its right to be indemnified, are extended to, and shall be enforceable by, the Trustee in each of its capacities hereunder, and to each Paying Agent, Paying and Transfer Agent, Authenticating Agent, Transfer Agent and Note Registrar;

(m) the Trustee shall not be responsible for the accuracy of the books or records of, or acts or omissions of, the Depository, any Transfer Agent (other than the Trustee itself acting in that capacity), Clearstream, Euroclear, any Calculation Agent (other than the Trustee itself acting in that capacity) or any Paying Agent (other than the Trustee itself acting in that capacity); *provided*, the Trustee will make reasonable efforts to correct any errors they become aware of or to notify the appropriate parties of any errors they become aware of; and

(n) the Trustee will not be liable for the actions or omissions of the Servicer, and without limiting the foregoing, the Trustee will not be under any obligation to monitor, evaluate or verify compliance by the Servicer with the terms hereof or the Servicing Agreement, or to verify or independently determine the accuracy of the information received by it from the Servicer (or from any selling institution, agent, bank, trustee or similar source) with respect to the Portfolio Collateral.

#### Section 6.4. [Not Responsible for Recitals or Issuance of Notes.](#)

The recitals contained herein and in the Notes, other than the certificate of authentication thereon, shall be taken as the statements of the Issuer, and the Trustee assumes no responsibility for their correctness. The Trustee makes no representation as to the validity or sufficiency of this Indenture, of the Trust Estate, or of the Notes. The Trustee shall not be accountable for the use or application by the Issuer of the Notes or Preferred Shares or the proceeds thereof.

#### Section 6.5. [May Hold Notes.](#)

(a) JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, or any other Person that becomes Trustee hereunder, in any capacity, may become the owner or pledgee of Notes, and

may otherwise deal with the Issuer or any Affiliate thereof with the same rights it would have if it were not Trustee.

(b) The Trustee and its Affiliates may invest in for their own account obligations or securities that would be appropriate for inclusion in the assets as Portfolio Collateral, and the Trustee in making those investments has no duty to act in a way that is favorable to the Issuer or the Holders of the Notes or the Preferred Shares. The Trustee's Affiliates currently serve, and may in the future serve as investment advisor for other issuers of collateralized debt obligations.

(c) The Trustee and its Affiliates are permitted to receive additional compensation that could be deemed to be in the Trustee's economic self interest for (i) serving as investment advisor, administrator, shareholder, servicing agent, custodian or sub-custodian with respect to certain Eligible Investments, (ii) using Affiliates to effect transactions in certain Eligible Investments selected by the Servicer and (iii) effecting transactions in certain Eligible Investments. Such compensation shall not be an amount that is reimbursable or payable pursuant to this Indenture. All purchases of Eligible Investments shall be made in accordance with Section 10.2(b).

#### Section 6.6. [Money Held in Trust.](#)

Money held by the Trustee in trust hereunder need not be segregated from other funds held by the Trustee in trust hereunder except to the extent required herein or required by law. The Trustee shall be under no liability for interest on any money received by it hereunder except as otherwise agreed upon with the Issuer and except to the extent of income or other gain on Eligible Investments which are deposits in or certificates of deposit of the Trustee in its commercial capacity and income or other gain actually received by the Trustee on Eligible Investments. Under no circumstances shall the Trustee be responsible for any losses on investments made in accordance with an Issuer Order or Servicer Order, unless such investment is made in an obligation of the Trustee in its corporate capacity.

#### Section 6.7. [Compensation and Reimbursement.](#)

The Issuer agrees:

(a) to pay the Trustee on each Payment Date (in accordance with the priority of payment provisions set forth in Section 11.1 hereof) compensation for all services rendered by it hereunder (which compensation shall not be limited by any provision of law in regard to the compensation of a trustee of an express trust) in accordance with the Trustee Fee Letter Agreement;

(b) except as otherwise expressly provided herein, to reimburse the Trustee (in accordance with the priority of payment provisions set forth in Section 11.1 hereof) in a timely manner upon its request for all reasonable expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or made by the Trustee (as such or as Securities Intermediary) in accordance with any provision of this Indenture or in the enforcement of any provision hereof (including the reasonable compensation and the expenses and disbursements of its agents and counsel) and expenses related to the maintenance and administration of the Collateral; *provided that* any securities transaction charges to the extent included above shall, in the case of certain Eligible Investments

specified by the Servicer, be waived in the event that any amounts are received by the Trustee during a Due Period from a financial institution in consideration of purchasing such Eligible Investments, except any such expense, disbursement or advance as may be attributable to the Trustee's negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith;

(c) to reimburse the Trustee (in accordance with the priority of payment provisions set forth in Section 11.1 hereof) for its payment of the fees and expenses of any accounting firm or investment banking firm employed by the Trustee to perform the accounting required pursuant to Section 5.4, Section 5.5, Section 6.3(c) or Section 10.6 hereof and for its payment of the fees and expenses of the Irish Paying Agent, Paying Agents or Authenticating Agents appointed by it at the request of the Issuer pursuant to Section 2.4;

(d) to indemnify the Trustee, its directors, officers, employees and agents (in accordance with the priority of payment provisions set forth in Section 11.1 hereof) for, and to hold it harmless against, any loss, liability or expense (including without limitation reasonable attorney's fees and expenses) incurred without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of this trust and the Transaction Documents, including the costs and expenses of defense against any claim or liability in connection with the exercise or performance of any of its powers or duties hereunder (including as Securities Intermediary); and

(e) to pay the Trustee (in accordance with the priority of payment provisions set forth in Section 11.1 hereof) reasonable additional compensation together with its expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees) for any collection action taken pursuant to Section 6.12 hereof.

#### Section 6.8. [Corporate Trustee Required; Eligibility.](#)

There shall at all times be a Trustee hereunder which shall be a bank organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America or of any State, authorized under such laws to exercise corporate trust powers, having a combined capital and surplus of at least \$200,000,000, having a long-term unsecured debt rating of "BBB" or better by Standard & Poor's and "Baa1" or better by Moody's, and subject to supervision or examination by Federal or state authority. If such corporation publishes reports of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or to the requirements of the aforesaid supervising or examining authority, then for the purposes of this Section 6.8, the combined capital and surplus of such corporation shall be deemed to be its combined capital and surplus as set forth in its most recent report of condition so published. In addition, the Trustee shall not be "affiliated" (as that term is defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act) with the Co-Issuers or with any person involved in the organization or operation of the Co-Issuers and shall not offer or provide credit or credit enhancement to the Co-Issuers (as provided per Rule 3a-7). If at any time the Trustee shall cease to be eligible in accordance with the provisions of this Section 6.8, it shall resign immediately in the manner and with the effect hereinafter specified in this Article VI.

Section 6.9. Resignation and Removal; Appointment of Successor.

(a) No resignation or removal of the Trustee and no appointment of a successor Trustee pursuant to this Article VI shall become effective until the acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee under Section 6.10 hereof. The indemnifications in favor of the Trustee in Section 6.7 hereof shall survive any resignation or removal (to the extent of any indemnified liabilities, costs, expenses and other amounts arising or incurred prior to, or arising out of actions or omissions occurring prior to, such resignation or removal).

(b) The Trustee may resign at any time by giving written notice thereof to the Issuer, the Rating Agencies, the Noteholders and the Servicer and, so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent. Upon receiving such notice of resignation, the Issuer shall at the direction of its board of directors (with the written consent of the Servicer, not to be unreasonably withheld) promptly appoint a successor trustee or trustees by written instrument, in duplicate, executed by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer on behalf of the Issuer, one original copy of which shall be delivered to the Trustee so resigning and one original copy to the successor trustee or trustees, together with a copy to each Noteholder. If no successor trustee shall have been appointed and an instrument of acceptance by a successor Trustee shall not have been delivered to the Trustee within 30 days after the giving of such notice of resignation, the resigning Trustee, or any Holder of a Note, may, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(c) Subject to Section 6.9(a) hereof, the Trustee may be removed at any time at the direction the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Controlling Class.

(d) The Issuer, at the direction of its board of directors, by Issuer Order, may remove the Trustee petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor Trustee, if at any time:

(i) the Trustee shall cease to be eligible under Section 6.8 hereof and shall fail to resign after written request therefor by the Issuer or by the Requisite Noteholders, or

(ii) the Trustee shall become incapable of acting or shall be adjudged bankrupt or insolvent or a receiver or liquidator of the Trustee or of its property shall be appointed or any public officer shall take charge or control of the Trustee or of its property or affairs for the purpose of rehabilitation, conservation or liquidation.

(e) If the Trustee shall resign, be removed or become incapable of acting, or if a vacancy shall occur in the office of the Trustee for any cause, the Issuer, at the direction of its board of directors, by Issuer Order, shall (with the written consent of the Servicer, not to be unreasonably withheld) promptly appoint a successor Trustee. If no successor Trustee shall have been so appointed by the Issuer and shall have accepted appointment in the manner hereinabove provided, any Noteholder may, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(f) The Issuer shall give prompt notice of each resignation and each removal of the Trustee and each appointment of a successor Trustee by giving facsimile notice of such event, confirmed by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to each Rating Agency, Bear Stearns, the Servicer and to the Holders of the Notes as their names and addresses appear in the Note Register. Each notice shall include the name of the successor Trustee and the address of its Corporate Trust Office.

Section 6.10. [Acceptance of Appointment by Successor.](#)

Every successor Trustee appointed hereunder shall be required to meet the eligibility requirements set forth in Section 6.8 hereof and shall execute, acknowledge and deliver to the Issuer and the retiring Trustee an instrument accepting such appointment, and thereupon the resignation or removal of the retiring Trustee shall become effective and such successor Trustee, without any further act, deed or conveyance, shall become vested with all the rights, powers, trusts, duties and obligations of the retiring Trustee; but, on request of the Issuer, the successor Trustee or the Requisite Noteholders, such retiring Trustee shall, upon payment of its fees, expenses and indemnities then unpaid, execute and deliver an instrument transferring to such successor Trustee all the rights, powers and trusts of the retiring Trustee, and shall duly assign, transfer and deliver to such successor Trustee all property and money held by such retiring Trustee hereunder, subject nevertheless to its lien, if any; provided for in Section 6.13 hereof. Upon request of any such successor Trustee, the Issuer shall execute any and all instruments for more fully and certainly vesting in and confirming to such successor Trustee all such rights, powers and trusts.

No appointment of a successor Trustee shall become effective until the date ten days after notice of such appointment has been given to each Noteholder, and, so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent.

Section 6.11. [Merger, Conversion, Consolidation or Succession to Business of Trustee.](#)

Any corporation into which the Trustee may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any corporation resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Trustee shall be a party, or any corporation succeeding to all or substantially all of the corporate trust business of the Trustee, shall be the successor of the Trustee hereunder; *provided* such corporation shall be otherwise qualified and eligible under this Article, without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto. In case any Notes have been authenticated, but not delivered, by the Trustee then in office, any successor by merger, conversion or consolidation to such authenticating Trustee may adopt such authentication and deliver the Notes so authenticated with the same effect as if such successor Trustee had itself authenticated such Notes.

Section 6.12. [Certain Duties of Trustee Related to Delayed Payment of Proceeds.](#)

If in any month the Trustee shall not have received a payment with respect to any Pledged Security on its Due Date, (a) the Trustee shall promptly notify the Issuer and the Servicer in writing and, (b) unless within three Business Days after such notice such payment

shall have been received by the Trustee, or the Issuer shall have made provision for such payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with Section 10.2(a) hereof, the Trustee shall request the issuer of such Pledged Security, the trustee under the related Underlying Instrument or paying agent designated by either of them, as the case may be, to make such payment as soon as practicable after such request but in no event later than three Business Days after the date of such request. If such payment is not made within such time period, the Trustee shall take such action as the Servicer shall direct in writing; *provided that* any expenses incurred or to be incurred in taking any such action shall be deemed to be an "extraordinary financial liability" under clause (4) of Section 6.1(c) hereof. Any such action shall be without prejudice to any right to claim a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture. In the event that the Issuer or the Servicer requests a release of a Pledged Security and/or delivers Substitute Portfolio Collateral in connection with any such action under the Servicing Agreement, such release and/or substitution shall be subject to Section 10.3 hereof and Article XII of this Indenture as the case may be. Notwithstanding any other provision hereof the Trustee shall deliver to the Issuer or its designee any payment with respect to any Pledged Security received after the Due Date thereof to the extent the Issuer previously made provisions for such payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with this Section 6.12 and such payment shall not be deemed part of the Trust Estate.

#### Section 6.13. Non-Petition.

None of the Trustee, the Secured Parties, the Noteholders or the Paying and Transfer Agent, shall cause or join in the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for any reason, including for the nonpayment to any such party of any amounts due hereunder or under the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement or under the Notes, as applicable, until the expiration of the period which is one year and one day (or such longer preference period as may be in effect) after the final payment on the Notes; *provided, however*, nothing herein shall be deemed to prohibit the Trustee from filing proofs of claim for itself and on behalf of the Noteholders.

#### Section 6.14. Withholding.

(a) If any withholding tax is imposed on the Co-Issuers' payment (or allocations of income) to any Noteholder, such tax shall reduce the amount otherwise distributable to such Noteholder. The Trustee is hereby authorized and directed to retain from amounts otherwise distributable to any Noteholder sufficient funds for the payment of any tax that is legally owed by the Trust Estate or the Co-Issuers (as directed to it in writing by the Co-Issuers) (but such authorization shall not prevent the Trustee from contesting any such tax in appropriate Proceedings and withholding payment of such tax, if permitted by law, pending the outcome of such Proceedings), or that the Trustee may otherwise determine it is obligated to withhold under applicable law or regulation. The amount of any withholding tax imposed with respect to any Noteholder shall be treated as cash distributed to such Noteholder at the time it is withheld by the Trustee and remitted to the appropriate taxing authority. If there is a possibility that withholding tax is payable with respect to a distribution, the Trustee may in its sole discretion withhold such amounts in accordance with this Section 6.14 (a). If any Noteholder wishes to apply for a refund of any such withholding tax, the Trustee shall reasonably cooperate with such Noteholder in making such claim so long as such Noteholder agrees to reimburse the Trustee for any out-of-pocket expenses incurred. Nothing in this Section 6.14 shall be construed to impose upon the



Trustee any obligation or duty to determine the tax liability or responsibilities of the Co-Issuers or the Trust Estate other than the duties required under applicable law, or otherwise to perform any related tax administration or return preparation or filing responsibilities, or to impose upon the Trustee any duty or obligation to commence Proceedings to contest any tax.

(b) In order to receive payments on its Note free of U.S. federal withholding and backup withholding tax, each Holder shall timely furnish the Issuer or its agents any U.S. federal income tax form or certification (such as Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") Form W-8BEN (Certification of Foreign Status), Form W-8IMY (Certification of Foreign Intermediary Status), Form W-9 (Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification) or Form W-8ECI (Certification of Foreign Person's Claim for Exemption from Withholding on Income Effectively Connected with Conduct of a U.S. Trade or Business) or any successors to such IRS forms) that the Issuer or its agents may reasonably request and shall update or replace such form or certification in accordance with its terms or its subsequent amendments.

#### Section 6.15. The Securities Intermediary.

(a) There shall at all times be one or more securities intermediaries appointed for purposes of this Indenture (the "Securities Intermediary"). JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, is hereby appointed as the initial Securities Intermediary hereunder (in such capacity, "JPMorgan Chase"), and JPMorgan Chase accepts such appointment.

(b) The Securities Intermediary shall be, and JPMorgan Chase as initial Securities Intermediary hereby represents and warrants that it is as of the date hereof and shall be, for so long as it is the Securities Intermediary hereunder, a corporation or national bank that in the ordinary course of its business maintains securities accounts for others and is acting in that capacity hereunder. The Securities Intermediary shall, and JPMorgan Chase as initial Securities Intermediary does, agree with the parties hereto that each Account shall be an account to which financial assets may be credited and undertake to treat the Trustee as entitled to exercise the rights that comprise such financial assets. The Securities Intermediary shall, and JPMorgan Chase as initial Securities Intermediary does, agree with the parties hereto that each item of property credited to each Account shall be treated as a financial asset. The Securities Intermediary shall, and JPMorgan Chase as initial Securities Intermediary does, agree with the parties hereto that, for purposes of the UCC and the United States Regulations, the securities intermediary's jurisdiction of the Securities Intermediary with respect to the Trust Estate shall be the State of New York. The Securities Intermediary shall, and JPMorgan Chase as initial Securities Intermediary does, represent and covenant that it is not and will not be (as long as it is the Securities Intermediary hereunder) a party to any agreement that is inconsistent with the provisions of this Indenture. The Securities Intermediary shall, and JPMorgan Chase as initial Securities Intermediary does, covenant that it will not take any action inconsistent with the provisions of this Indenture applicable to it. The Securities Intermediary shall, and JPMorgan Chase as initial Securities Intermediary does, agree that any item of property credited to any Account shall not be subject to any security interest, lien, encumbrance or right of setoff in favor of the Securities Intermediary or anyone claiming through the Securities Intermediary (other than the Trustee).

(c) It is the intent of the Trustee and the Co-Issuers that each Account shall be a securities account of the Trustee and not an account of the Co-Issuers. Nonetheless, the Securities Intermediary shall agree to comply with entitlement orders originated by the Trustee without further consent by the Co-Issuers or any other person or entity, and JPMorgan Chase as initial Securities Intermediary agrees that, for so long as it is the Securities Intermediary hereunder, it will comply with entitlement orders originated by the Trustee without further consent by the Co-Issuers or any other person or entity. The Securities Intermediary shall covenant that it will not agree with any person or entity other than the Trustee that it will comply with entitlement orders originated by any person or entity other than the Trustee, and JPMorgan Chase as initial Securities Intermediary hereby covenants that, for so long as it is the Securities Intermediary hereunder, it will not agree with any person or entity other than the Trustee that it will comply with entitlement orders originated by any person or entity other than the Trustee.

(d) Nothing herein shall imply or impose upon the Securities Intermediary any duties or obligations other than those expressly set forth herein and those applicable to a securities intermediary under the UCC and the United States Regulations (and the Securities Intermediary shall be entitled to all of the protections available to a securities intermediary under the UCC and the United States Regulations). Without limiting the foregoing, nothing herein shall imply or impose upon the Securities Intermediary any duties of a fiduciary nature (such as, without limitation, the fiduciary duties of the Trustee hereunder).

(e) The Securities Intermediary may at any time resign by notice to the Trustee and may at any time be removed by notice from the Trustee; *provided however* that it shall be the responsibility of the Trustee to appoint a successor Securities Intermediary and to cause the Accounts to be established and maintained with such successor Securities Intermediary in accordance with the terms hereof; and the responsibilities and duties of the retiring Securities Intermediary hereunder shall remain in effect until all of the Trust Estate credited to the Accounts held by such retiring Securities Intermediary have been transferred to such successor. Any corporation into which the Securities Intermediary may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any corporation resulting from any merger, consolidation or conversion to which the Securities Intermediary shall be a party, shall be the successor of the Securities Intermediary hereunder, without the execution or filing of any further act on the part of the parties hereto or such Securities Intermediary or such successor corporation.

#### Section 6.16. Eligible Investments.

Eligible Investments acquired with available funds in an Account shall be credited by the Trustee to such Account.

#### Section 6.17. Fiduciary For Noteholders; Agent for the Other Secured Parties.

With respect to the security interest created hereunder, the Delivery of any item of Collateral to the Trustee is to the Trustee as representative of the Noteholders and agent for the other Secured Parties. In furtherance of the foregoing, the possession by the Trustee of any item of Collateral, the indorsement to or registration in the name of the Trustee of any item of Collateral and the status of the Trustee as entitlement holder with respect to the Accounts are all undertaken by the Trustee in its capacity as representative of the Noteholders and agent for the



other Secured Parties. The Trustee shall not by reason of this Indenture be deemed to be acting as a fiduciary for the Secured Parties other than the Noteholders; *provided that* the foregoing shall not limit any of the express obligations of the Trustee under this Indenture.

## ARTICLE VII

### COVENANTS

#### Section 7.1. Payment of Principal and Interest.

The Co-Issuers (as applicable) will duly and punctually pay the principal of, interest on and all other amounts payable on or in respect of the Notes in accordance with the terms of the Notes and this Indenture.

#### Section 7.2. Maintenance of Office or Agency.

The Trustee will maintain an office or agency in the Borough of Manhattan, the City of New York, the State of New York, where Notes may be presented or surrendered for payment. The Trustee hereby initially appoints the office of JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association (the "New York Presenting Agent"), currently located at JPMorgan Chase Bank, 4 New York Plaza, ground floor, New York, New York 10004, Attention: WSS Window – WSS (Houston)—Rockwall CDO, as such office or agency. The Trustee shall give prompt written notice to the Co-Issuers and the Noteholders of any change in the location of the New York Presenting Agent. If the location of the New York Presenting Agent changes and such notice is not given or the Trustee fails to maintain any such office or agency, presentations and surrenders of the Notes may be made or served at the Corporate Trust Office.

#### Section 7.3. Money for Note Payments to Be Held in Trust.

All payments of amounts due and payable with respect to any Notes that are to be made from amounts withdrawn from the Collection Account shall be made on behalf of the Issuer by the Trustee.

#### Section 7.4. Existence of Co-Issuers; Corporate Formalities.

(a) Each of the Co-Issuers will, to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law, maintain in full force and effect its existence, rights and franchises as a company or corporation incorporated or organized under the laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organization, as the case may be, and will obtain and preserve its qualification to do business as a foreign corporation in each jurisdiction in which such qualification is or shall be necessary to protect the validity and enforceability of this Indenture, the Notes or any of the Pledged Securities or other property included in the Trust Estate. Each of the Co-Issuers shall comply with its charter documents and shall not amend its charter documents without the consent of the Requisite Noteholders if such amendment would have a material adverse effect on the rights of the Noteholders and, for so long as any Notes are then rated, shall notify the Rating Agencies of any amendment and shall not amend its charter document in any material way without satisfaction of the Rating Condition.

(b) The Issuer shall ensure that all corporate or other formalities regarding its existence (including, to the extent required, holding, to the extent required, regular meetings of the board of directors and shareholders) are followed. The Issuer shall not take any action, or conduct its affairs in a manner, that is likely to result in its separate existence being ignored or its assets and liabilities being substantively consolidated with any other Person in a bankruptcy, reorganization or other insolvency proceeding. Without limiting the foregoing, (i) the Issuer shall not have any subsidiaries except the Co-Issuer, and (ii) the Issuer shall not (A) have any employees (other than its directors), (B) engage in any transaction with any shareholder that would constitute a conflict of interest, *provided, however, that* the entry into the Administration Agreement and the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement with Maples Finance Limited shall not be deemed a conflict of interest or (C) pay dividends other than in accordance with the terms of this Indenture, its organizational documents, and with regard to its Preferred Shares, in accordance with the terms of the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement.

Section 7.5. Protection of Trust Estate.

(a) The Issuer shall authorize, execute, deliver and file all such supplements and amendments hereto and all such financing statements, amendments of financing statements, continuation statements, instruments of further assurance and other instruments and shall take such other action as may be necessary or advisable to:

- (i) Grant more effectively all or any portion of the Trust Estate;
- (ii) maintain or preserve the lien of this Indenture or to carry out more effectively the purposes hereof;
- (iii) perfect, publish notice of, or protect the validity of any Grant made or to be made by this Indenture;
- (iv) enforce any of the Pledged Securities or other instruments or property included in the Trust Estate;
- (v) preserve and defend title to the Trust Estate and the rights therein of the Secured Parties against the claims of all other Persons; and
- (vi) pay any and all taxes levied or assessed upon all or any part of the Trust Estate.

The Issuer hereby authorizes the filing of financing statements (and amendments of financing statements and continuation statements) that name the Issuer as debtor and the Trustee as secured party and that cover all personal property of the Issuer. The Issuer also hereby ratifies the filing of any such financing statements (or amendments of financing statements or continuation statements) that were filed prior to the execution hereof. The Issuer hereby designates the Trustee its agent and attorney-in-fact to take any action or authorize or execute any financing statement, amendment of financing statement, continuation statement or other instrument required pursuant to this Section 7.5; *provided that* such appointment shall not impose upon the Trustee any of the Issuer's obligations under this Section 7.5.

The Trustee shall give written notice to the Issuer, the Servicer and the legal counsel who rendered the most recent Opinion of Counsel received by the Trustee under Section 7.6(a) of the pending expiration of the financing statement filed in connection with the closing of the transaction contemplated herein and any continuation statement relating thereto, no earlier than six months prior to the scheduled expiration date of such financing statement or continuation statement, as applicable, and no later than two months prior to such scheduled expiration date.

(b) The Trustee shall not, except in accordance with the provisions of this Indenture, release any portion of the Trust Estate from the security interest and lien hereunder or remove any portion of the Trust Estate from the jurisdictions indicated in Section 10.3(a) hereof; *provided that* the Trustee shall be entitled to remove the Trust Estate or any portion thereof to a jurisdiction other than the applicable jurisdiction or jurisdictions indicated in Section 10.3(a) hereof if the Trustee shall have first obtained an Opinion of Counsel, at its own expense, to the effect that the lien and security interest created by this Indenture with respect to such property, including the perfection and priority thereof, will continue to be maintained after giving effect to such action, and *provided further that* the Trustee shall thereafter (for so long as such property continues to be so located in such other jurisdiction) obtain at its own expense an annual Opinion of Counsel, on or before the date specified in Section 7.6(a) hereof, confirming the matters required by such Section to the extent governed by the law of such other jurisdiction.

(c) The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid taxes, if any, levied on account of the beneficial ownership by the Issuer of any Pledged Securities.

(d) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants that its registered office is, and always has been, in the Cayman Islands; it has never had any offices in the United States of America, and the only offices of any type it has ever had have been in the Cayman Islands.

#### Section 7.6. Opinions and Tax Certificates.

(a) On or before May 31 in each calendar year, commencing in 2007, the Issuer shall cause to be delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel (and the Trustee shall deliver copies of such to the Servicer and the Rating Agencies), stating that, in the opinion of such counsel, as of the date of such opinion, the Indenture creates in favor of the Trustee a security interest in the Trust Estate and that such security interest is perfected.

(b) If required to prevent the withholding and imposition of United States income tax, the Issuer shall deliver or cause to be delivered (as applicable) a United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-8BEN or W-8IMY (with applicable supporting documentation), or any successor forms thereto, to each issuer of any Portfolio Collateral and each issuer of an Eligible Investment in the Trust Estate at the time such Portfolio Collateral or Eligible Investment is purchased by the Issuer and annually thereafter.

(c) The Issuer will elect to be treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In the event that the Issuer is treated as a corporation, the Issuer will take all actions necessary in order to permit any holder of a Preferred Share, any holder of equity in the Issuer or any Holder of a Note or other security that is or may reasonably be characterized as an equity

interest in the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes to make a "qualified electing fund" election for United States federal income tax purposes and to satisfy the ongoing requirements with respect to such an election. Further, in such event, the Issuer will provide, upon the reasonable request of any holder of a Preferred Share, any holder of equity in the Issuer or any such Holder of a Note, any information the Issuer has available to it that assists such holders with regard to filing requirements such holders may have as a result of the controlled foreign corporation rules under the Code.

(d) The Issuer will not take the position that it is engaged in a United States trade or business for federal income tax purposes.

#### Section 7.7. [Performance of Obligations.](#)

(a) The Co-Issuers shall not take any action, and, where applicable, will not consent to any action proposed to be taken by others, that would release any Person from any of such Person's covenants or obligations under any instrument included in the Trust Estate, except in the case of enforcement action taken with respect to any Defaulted Portfolio Collateral in accordance with the provisions hereof and as otherwise required hereby.

(b) The Co-Issuers may contract with other Persons, including JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, and the Servicer, for the performance by such Persons of the Issuer's obligations hereunder and under the Servicing Agreement. Notwithstanding any such arrangement, the Issuer shall remain primarily liable with respect thereto. With respect to any such contract, the performance of such obligations by such Persons shall be deemed to be performance of such obligations by the Issuer.

#### Section 7.8. [Negative Covenants.](#)

(a) The Issuer will not:

(1) sell, transfer, exchange or otherwise dispose of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecate or otherwise encumber (or permit such to occur or suffer such to exist), any part of the Trust Estate, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and the Servicing Agreement;

(2) claim any credit on, or make any deduction from, the amount payable with respect to the Notes other than amounts withheld pursuant to Section 6.14 hereof, or assert any claim against any present or future Noteholder, by reason of the payment of any taxes levied or assessed upon any part of the Trust Estate;

(3) incur or assume any indebtedness other than pursuant to this Indenture or the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, or incur, assume or guaranty the indebtedness of any Person, issue any additional class of securities or issue any additional shares, shares of stock or membership interests;

(4) (A) permit the validity or effectiveness of this Indenture or any Grant hereunder to be impaired, or permit the lien of this Indenture to be amended, hypothecated, subordinated, terminated or discharged, or permit any Person to be released from

any covenants or obligations with respect to this Indenture or the Notes, except, in each case, as may be expressly permitted hereby, thereby, or by the Servicing Agreement, (B) permit any lien, charge, adverse claim, security interest, mortgage or other encumbrance (other than the lien of this Indenture) to be created on or extend to or otherwise arise upon or burden the Trust Estate or any part thereof, any interest therein or the proceeds thereof except as may be expressly permitted hereby, or (C) take any action that would permit the lien of this Indenture not to constitute a valid first priority perfected security interest in the Trust Estate except as may be expressly permitted hereby;

(5) act as agent, negotiator or structurer with respect to any Portfolio Collateral, act as a participant in negotiating the terms of a primary loan agreement, except to the extent provided in the Servicing Agreement, enter into a binding commitment to purchase any Portfolio Collateral prior to the issuance of such Portfolio Collateral or engage in any transaction or activity that would cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States within the meaning of section 864 of the Code;

(6) change its name or its type or jurisdiction of organization unless it has first (i) made all filings and taken all actions in all relevant jurisdictions under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code and other applicable law as are necessary to continue and maintain the priority and perfection of the security interest of the Trustee in the Trust Estate, and (ii) delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that all necessary filings have been made under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code in all relevant jurisdictions as are necessary to continue and maintain the priority and perfection of the security interest of the Trustee in the Trust Estate;

(7) enter into any agreements or amendments thereto unless such agreements and any amendments thereto contain "non-petition" and "limited recourse" provisions, except with respect to any agreements involving the purchase and sale of Portfolio Collateral having customary purchase or sale terms and documented with customary trading documentation;

(8) enter into any agreements or amendments to the Transaction Documents with respect to the "non-petition" or "limited recourse" provisions without satisfying the Rating Condition; or

(9) commingle any of the Collateral with the assets of any other Person, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and the Servicing Agreement.

(b) The Co-Issuer will not enter into any agreement, contract or indenture other than this Indenture and shall not incur or assume any indebtedness other than pursuant to or as may be expressly permitted by this Indenture, or incur, assume or guaranty the indebtedness of any Person.

(c) The Trustee shall not sell, transfer, exchange or otherwise dispose of, or enter into or engage in any business with respect to, any part of the Trust Estate, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture or the Servicing Agreement.

(d) Neither of the Co-Issuers shall to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law (i) commence any case, proceeding or other action under any existing or future law of any jurisdiction, domestic or foreign, relating to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or relief of debtors, seeking to have any order for relief entered with respect to it, or seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, winding-up, liquidation, dissolution, composition or other relief with respect to it or its debts, or (ii) seek appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian or other similar official for it or for all or any substantial part of its assets, or make a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors; neither of the Co-Issuers shall take any action in furtherance of, or indicating its consent to, approval of, or acquiescence in, any of the acts set forth above; and each of the Co-Issuers shall generally pay debts as they become due and not admit in writing its inability to pay its debts as they become due.

(e) Except as permitted by Section 8.2 hereof, the Issuer shall not waive nor permit the amendment of Section 19 or Section 20 of the Servicing Agreement or Section 20 of the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement.

Section 7.9. [Statement as to Compliance.](#)

On or before July 31 following each calendar year, beginning in 2007, or immediately if there has been a Default under this Indenture, the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee, and the Trustee in turn shall deliver a copy to the Rating Agencies (and any Noteholder upon receipt by the Trustee of a certificate in the form of Exhibit H), an Officer's Certificate of the Issuer stating that:

(1) a review of the activities of the Issuer during such year and of the Issuer's performance under this Indenture has been made under his or her supervision; and

(2) to the best of his or her knowledge, based on such review, the Issuer has fulfilled all of its obligations under this Indenture throughout such year, or, if there has been a Default hereunder, specifying each such Default known to him or her and the nature and status thereof, including any actions taken to remedy the same.

Section 7.10. [Issuer and Co-Issuer May Not Consolidate or Merge.](#)

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall consolidate or merge with or into any other Person.

Section 7.11. [No Other Business.](#)

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall engage in any business or activity other than (i) the issuance and redemption of the Notes and the Preferred Shares, the issuance and redemption of its ordinary shares, and acquiring, owning, managing, holding and pledging the Pledged Securities and any other instrument or property included in the Trust Estate and (ii) engaging in any other activities that are necessary, suitable or convenient to accomplish the foregoing or are incidental thereto or connected therewith.

Section 7.12. [Purchase of Notes.](#)

Notwithstanding anything contained in this Indenture to the contrary, the Issuer may acquire Notes in open market or privately negotiated transactions or otherwise (and the Issuer shall give prompt written notice thereof to the Trustee): *provided that* so long as any Class A Notes are Outstanding, the Issuer shall not acquire any Class B-1L Notes. Any Notes acquired by the Issuer shall be delivered to the Trustee for cancellation.

Section 7.13. [Notice of Rating.](#)

(a) The Issuer shall use reasonable efforts to cause the payment of the Periodic Interest Amount and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes and the Class X Notes to be rated by Standard & Poor's and Moody's (as applicable) and the ultimate payment of the Cumulative Interest Amount and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes to be rated by Standard & Poor's and Moody's. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the failure by the Issuer to maintain a rating of each Class of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes shall not constitute a Default or an Event of Default.

(b) The Issuer shall promptly notify the Trustee in writing (and the Trustee shall promptly notify the Noteholders and the Servicer) if at any time the rating of any Class of Notes has been, or the Issuer knows will be, changed or withdrawn.

Section 7.14. [Process Agent.](#)

The Issuer irrevocably designates and appoints CT Corporation, 111 Eighth Avenue, New York, New York 10011, as its agent (the "[Process Agent](#)") for service of all process served in connection with this Indenture, such service being hereby acknowledged to be effective and binding service upon the Issuer in every respect.

Section 7.15. [Additional Covenants.](#)

(a) Each of the Co-Issuers shall comply with all applicable laws, rules, regulations, orders, writs, judgments, injunctions, decrees, determinations and awards (including, without limitation, any fiscal and accounting rules and regulations and any foreign or domestic law, rule or regulation), including, without limitation, in connection with the issuance, offer and sale of the Notes.

(b) The Issuer shall give prompt notice in writing to the Trustee, the Servicer and the Rating Agencies, upon becoming aware of the occurrence of any Event of Default hereunder.

(c) Each of the Co-Issuers shall take all reasonable actions necessary so as to be exempt from registration under the Investment Company Act.

(d) The Co-Issuers shall take all reasonable actions necessary so as to exempt from registration the sale of Notes under the Securities Act or under any applicable United States state securities or "blue sky" laws.



(e) Each of the Co-Issuers shall maintain all licenses, permits, charters and registrations which are material to the conduct of its business.

(f) The Issuer shall maintain its corporate records and books of account outside of the United States separate from any other Person, including, without limitation, any Person which owns more than 50% of its equity securities.

(g) Each of the Co-Issuers shall use its best efforts to minimize taxes and any other costs arising in connection with its activities.

(h) Each of the Co-Issuers shall treat the purchase of Portfolio Collateral as a purchase for tax, accounting and reporting purposes.

(i) Each of the Co-Issuers shall maintain at least one director who is Independent of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer and Bear Stearns.

(j) Each of the Co-Issuers shall only conduct business in its own name as set forth in its organizational documents.

(k) The Issuer shall cause each item of Collateral to be Delivered to the Trustee.

(l) The Issuer shall cause the Schedule of Portfolio Collateral to at all times correctly list all Portfolio Collateral that is included in the Trust Estate, including all Initial Portfolio Collateral, all Original Portfolio Collateral, all Additional Portfolio Collateral, all Substitute Portfolio Collateral, all Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, all Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, all Equity Portfolio Collateral and all Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral. The Issuer shall cause Schedule A to be amended to reflect the inclusion of Portfolio Collateral purchased pursuant to Section 3.4(a) hereof, the inclusion of Additional Portfolio Collateral as provided in Section 11.3 hereof, the release of Portfolio Collateral pursuant to Article X hereof, and the inclusion of Substitute Portfolio Collateral as provided in Section 12.4 hereof.

#### Section 7.16. [Representations and Warranties of the Co-Issuers.](#)

Each of the Co-Issuers represents and warrants to the Trustee with respect to itself, as of the Closing Date that:

(a) Such Co-Issuer is a corporation duly incorporated or organized, as the case may be, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation and in each jurisdiction where the conduct of its business requires such license, qualification or good standing, except where the failure to be so licensed or qualified or in good standing would not adversely affect the validity or enforceability of this Indenture or the other Transaction Documents to which it is a party, or the ability of such Co-Issuer to perform its obligations hereunder or thereunder.

(b) Such Co-Issuer has the power and authority to execute and deliver the Transaction Documents and all other documents and agreements contemplated hereby and thereby to which it is a party, as well as to carry out the terms hereof and thereof.



(c) Such Co-Issuer has taken all necessary action, including but not limited to all requisite corporate action, to authorize the execution, delivery and performance of the Transaction Documents and all other documents and agreements contemplated hereby and thereby to which it is a party. When executed and delivered by such Co-Issuer and the other parties thereto, each of the Transaction Documents will constitute the legal, valid and binding obligation of such Co-Issuer enforceable in accordance with its terms subject, as to enforcement, to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws now or hereafter in effect affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights in general, and except as such enforceability may be limited by general principles of equity (whether considered in a suit at law or in equity) and to the payment of stamp duty.

(d) All authorizations, licenses, permits, certificates, franchises, consents, approvals and undertakings which are required to be obtained by such Co-Issuer under any applicable law which are material to (i) the conduct of its business, (ii) the ownership, use, operation or maintenance of its properties and (iii) the performance by such Co-Issuer of its obligations under or in connection with the Transaction Documents, the Notes and the Preferred Shares have been received and all such authorizations, licenses, permits, certificates, franchises, consents, approvals and undertakings are in full force and effect.

(e) The execution, issuance and delivery of, and performance by such Co-Issuer of its respective obligations under the Transaction Documents and any and all instruments or documents required to be executed or delivered pursuant to or in connection herewith or therewith were and are within the powers of such Co-Issuer and will not violate any provision of any law, regulation, decree or governmental authorization applicable to such Co-Issuer, or its charter or by-laws or other organizational documents and will not violate or cause a default under any provision of any contract, agreement, mortgage, indenture or other undertaking to which such Co-Issuer is a party or which is binding upon such Co-Issuer or any of its property or assets, and will not result in the imposition or creation of any lien, charge, or encumbrance upon any of its properties or assets of such Co-Issuer pursuant to the provisions of any such contract, agreement, mortgage, indenture or undertaking, other than as specifically set forth herein.

(f) There are no legal, governmental or regulatory Proceedings pending to which such Co-Issuer is a party or of which any of its property is the subject, which if determined adversely to such Co-Issuer would individually or in the aggregate have a material adverse effect on the performance by such Co-Issuer of the Transaction Documents or the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereunder or thereunder; and to the best of its knowledge, no such Proceedings are threatened or contemplated.

(g) Neither the Notes nor the Preferred Shares are required to be registered pursuant to the Securities Act, such Co-Issuer is not required to be registered as an investment company pursuant to the Investment Company Act, and the Indenture is not required to be qualified under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended.

(h) Except with respect to amounts owed under the Notes and the Preferred Shares and liabilities incurred in connection with the issuance of the Notes, the Preferred Shares and the Transaction Documents, such Co-Issuer has not incurred any indebtedness for borrowed money or any other material liabilities.

(i) The Issuer has no subsidiaries other than the Co-Issuer.

(j) The Issuer is not a securities intermediary, broker, or commodity intermediary as defined in the UCC, or a Participant as defined in the United States Regulations.

Section 7.17. [Representations Relating to the Security Interests in the Collateral.](#)

(a) The Issuer hereby represents that, as of the Closing Date (which representations and warranties shall survive the execution of this Indenture and, with respect to Collateral Delivered after the Closing Date, be deemed to be repeated on the date on which such Collateral is Delivered as if made at and as of that time), with respect to the then existing Collateral:

(i) The Issuer owns and has good and marketable title to such Collateral free and clear of any lien, claim or encumbrance of any person, other than such as are created under, or expressly permitted by, this Indenture.

(ii) Other than the security interest granted to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture and conveyances permitted by this Indenture, the Issuer has not pledged, assigned, sold, granted a security interest in, or otherwise conveyed such Collateral. The Issuer has not authorized the filing of and is not aware of any financing statements against the Issuer that include a description of collateral covering such Collateral other than any financing statement relating to the security interest granted to the Trustee hereunder or that has been terminated. The Issuer is not aware of any judgment, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation or tax lien filings against the Issuer.

(iii) Such Collateral is comprised of "instruments", "security entitlements", "general intangibles", "tangible chattel paper", "deposit accounts", "accounts", "certificated securities", "uncertificated securities" or "securities accounts" (each as defined in the applicable Uniform Commercial Code).

(iv) All Accounts constitute "securities accounts" as defined in the applicable Uniform Commercial Code.

(v) This Indenture creates a valid and continuing security interest (as defined in the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) in such Collateral in favor of the Trustee, which security interest is prior to all other liens and is enforceable as such against creditors of and purchasers from the Issuer except as expressly permitted under this Indenture.

(vi) The Issuer has received all consents and approvals required by the terms of such Collateral to the transfer to the Trustee of its interest and rights in such Collateral hereunder.

(b) The Issuer hereby represents that, as of the Closing Date (which representations and warranties shall survive the execution of this Indenture and, with respect to Collateral Delivered after the Closing Date, be deemed to be repeated on the date on which such Collateral is Delivered as if made at and as of that time), with respect to the then existing

Collateral that constitutes "securities accounts", the Indenture creates a valid and continuing security interest (as defined in the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) in the Accounts in favor of the Trustee, which security interest is perfected by control (as defined in the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) because the Trustee has control of each security entitlement carried in each Account.

(c) The Issuer hereby represents that, as of the Closing Date (which representations and warranties shall survive the execution of this Indenture and, with respect to Collateral Delivered after the Closing Date, be deemed to be repeated on the date on which such Collateral is Delivered as if made at and as of that time), with respect to the then existing Collateral that constitute "instruments":

(i) All original executed copies of each promissory note or mortgage note that constitutes or evidences such instruments have been delivered to the Trustee and (ii) none of the promissory notes or the mortgage notes that constitute or evidence such instruments has any marks or notations indicating that it has been pledged, assigned or otherwise conveyed to any person other than the Trustee.

(d) The Issuer hereby represents that, as of the Closing Date (which representations and warranties shall survive the execution of this Indenture and, with respect to Collateral Delivered after the Closing Date, be deemed to be repeated on the date on which such Collateral is Delivered as if made at and as of that time), with respect to the then existing Collateral that constitute "security entitlements":

(i) All of such security entitlements have been credited to one of the Accounts. The securities intermediary for each Account has agreed to treat all assets credited to such Account as "financial assets" within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code.

(ii) The Issuer has taken all steps necessary to cause the securities intermediary to identify in its records the Trustee as the person having a security entitlement against the securities intermediary in each of the Accounts.

(iii) The Accounts are not in the name of any person other than the Trustee. The Issuer has not consented to the securities intermediary of any Account to comply with the entitlement order of any person other than the Trustee.

(e) The Issuer hereby represents that, as of the Closing Date (which representations and warranties shall survive the execution of this Indenture and, with respect to Collateral Delivered after the Closing Date, be deemed to be repeated on the date on which such Collateral is Delivered as if made at and as of that time), with respect to the then existing Collateral that constitutes "general intangibles" or "accounts":

(i) The Issuer has caused or will have caused, within ten days after the Closing Date, the filing of all appropriate financing statements in the proper filing office in the appropriate jurisdictions under applicable law in order to perfect the security interest in such general intangibles or accounts granted to the Trustee hereunder.

(f) The Issuer hereby represents that, as of the Closing Date (which representations and warranties shall survive the execution of this Indenture and, with respect to Collateral Delivered after the Closing Date, be deemed to be repeated on the date on which such Collateral is Delivered as if made at and as of that time), with respect to the then existing Collateral that constitutes "tangible chattel paper":

(i) (A) All original executed copies of each agreement that constitutes or evidences such tangible chattel paper have been delivered to the Trustee and (B) none of the agreements that constitute or evidence such tangible chattel paper has any marks or notations indicating that it has been pledged, assigned or otherwise conveyed to any person other than the Trustee.

(ii) The Issuer has taken all steps necessary to perfect the security interest against the account debtor in the property securing the agreements that constitute such tangible chattel paper.

(g) The Issuer hereby represents that, as of the Closing Date (which representations and warranties shall survive the execution of this Indenture and, with respect to Collateral Delivered after the Closing Date, be deemed to be repeated on the date on which such Collateral is Delivered as if made at and as of that time), with respect to the then existing Collateral that constitutes "deposit accounts":

(i) The Issuer has taken all steps necessary to cause the Trustee to become the account holder of such deposit accounts.

(ii) Such deposit accounts are not in the name of any person other than the Trustee. The Issuer has not consented to the bank maintaining any such deposit account to comply with the instructions of any person other than the Trustee.

(h) The Issuer hereby represents that, as of the Closing Date (which representations and warranties shall survive the execution of this Indenture and, with respect to Collateral Delivered after the Closing Date, be deemed to be repeated on the date on which such Collateral is Delivered as if made at and as of that time), with respect to the then existing Collateral that constitutes a certificated security, such certificated security has been delivered to the Trustee and, if in registered form, has been indorsed to the Trustee or in blank by an effective indorsement or has been registered in the name of the Trustee upon original issue or registration of transfer by the issuer of such certificated security.

(i) The Issuer hereby represents that, as of the Closing Date (which representations and warranties shall survive the execution of this Indenture and, with respect to Collateral Delivered after the Closing Date, be deemed to be repeated on the date on which such Collateral is Delivered as if made at and as of that time), with respect to the then existing Collateral that constitutes an uncertificated security, the issuer of such uncertificated security has registered the Trustee as the registered owner of such uncertificated security.

(j) None of the provisions of this Section 7.17 shall be waived without the prior written confirmation from S&P that such waiver shall not result in a reduction or withdrawal of the then-current rating of any Class of Notes.

Section 7.18. [No "Gross-up" Amounts.](#)

The Co-Issuers shall not be required to pay any "gross-up" or other additional amounts to the Holders of any Class of Notes because taxes or related amounts are required to be withheld from payments on the Notes or any payments to either of the Co-Issuers on any item of Portfolio Collateral or other assets of the Co-Issuers.

Section 7.19. [Securities Lending.](#)

(a) So long as no Event of Default is continuing and if after the completion of the transaction the limit in subsection 12.2(u) would be satisfied, the Servicer may cause Portfolio Collateral that are not Defaulted Portfolio Collateral to be lent for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) having long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or guarantors with ratings of at least "A1" (and not "A1" but on credit watch with negative implications) and "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A+" from S&P (each, a "Securities Lending Counterparty") pursuant to one or more agreements (each, a "Securities Lending Agreement"); *provided* that Portfolio Collateral whose Market Value cannot be determined under clauses (a), (b) or (c) of that definition may not be lent pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement; *provided, further*, that the gross income from all such transactions during any fiscal year shall not exceed 15% of the gross income of the Issuer for such fiscal year. Upon receipt of an Issuer Order, the Trustee shall release any lent Portfolio Collateral to a Securities Lending Counterparty as directed by the Servicer. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Placement Agent or Affiliates of the Servicer. The duration of any Securities Lending Agreement shall not exceed the Final Maturity Date of the Notes.

(b) Each Securities Lending Agreement shall be on market terms as determined by the Servicer (except as may be required below) and shall:

(i) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty return to the Trustee debt obligations that are identical (in terms of issue and class) to the lent items of Portfolio Collateral;

(ii) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty pay to the Trustee amounts equivalent to all interest and other payments that the owner of the lent items of Portfolio Collateral is entitled to for the period during which the Portfolio Collateral is lent and require that any such payments not be subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the Securities Lending Counterparty is required under the Securities Lending Agreement to make "gross-up" payments to the Issuer that cover the full amount of the withholding tax on an after-tax basis;

(iii) require that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency shall be satisfied with respect to the execution of the Securities Lending Agreement;

(iv) satisfy any other requirements of Section 1058 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated under it;

(v) be governed by the laws of New York;

(vi) permit the Issuer to assign its rights under the Securities Lending Agreement to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture;

(vii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent item of Portfolio Collateral from the Issuer with no penalty if the Portfolio Collateral becomes Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral or is subject to redemption in accordance with its terms;

(viii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent item of Portfolio Collateral with no penalty upon any redemption of the Notes in whole;

(ix) require the Securities Lending Counterparty to post with the Trustee collateral consisting of Cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the Securities Lending Agreement (the "Securities Lending Collateral") to secure its obligation to return the Portfolio Collateral;

(x) provide that the Securities Lending Collateral shall be maintained at all times in an amount equal to at least 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value (determined daily and monitored by the Servicer) of the lent Portfolio Collateral and if securities are delivered to the Trustee as security for the obligations of the Securities Lending Counterparty under the related Securities Lending Agreement, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will negotiate with the Securities Lending Counterparty a rate for the loan fee to be paid to the Issuer for lending the lent Collateral Obligations;

(xi) the lent Portfolio Collateral shall be marked-to-market on a daily basis by the Servicer on the basis of their Market Value;

(xii) the Collateral will include the Issuer's rights under the related Securities Lending Agreement rather than the lent Portfolio Collateral;

(xiii) provide for early termination within 10 days at the option of the Issuer and the delivery of any lent Portfolio Collateral from the Issuer with no penalty if the Securities Lending Counterparty is no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty and the noncompliance is not cured as provided in this Indenture; and

(xiv) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions that survive the termination of the agreement (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Securities Lending Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those in this Indenture.

(c) If either Moody's or S&P downgrades a Securities Lending Counterparty such that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party are no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty, then the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, within 10 days of the downgrade, shall

(i) terminate its Securities Lending Agreements with the Securities Lending Counterparty unless a guarantor for the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements has been obtained; or

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Portfolio Collateral lent to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty so that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party, together with all other Securities Lending Agreements, are in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of Securities Lending Counterparties; or

(iii) take any other steps Moody's or S&P may require to cause the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party to be treated by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, as if the obligations were owed by a counterparty having a rating at least equivalent to the rating that was assigned by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty before its being downgraded.

(d) In connection with any such direction by the Servicer to enter into a Securities Lending Agreement, the Trustee may receive and rely on an Issuer Order to the effect that the Securities Lending Agreement, and its Securities Lending Counterparty, is each in compliance with the requirements of this Indenture (including the definition of "Securities Lending Counterparty"). The Issuer and the Trustee may enter into any Securities Lending Agreement at the instruction of the Servicer, and deliver and accept delivery and return of any Portfolio Collateral pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement, or pursuant to instructions from the Servicer in connection with the Securities Lending Agreement. The Trustee may take any actions and exercise any rights and remedies under any Securities Lending Agreement that the Servicer instructs. The Trustee need not enter into any Securities Lending Agreement that would in its judgment, subject it to any liability, whether financial or otherwise, or cause it to incur or subject it to risk of any cost or disbursement for which it is not, in its judgment, adequately indemnified, or that would impose on it any obligations or administrative burdens that are unacceptable to it. The Servicer shall instruct the Trustee in writing with respect to the administration of any Securities Lending Agreement (including with respect to any default and the exercise of rights under it). The Trustee shall not have any responsibility for evaluating the sufficiency, validity, or acceptability of any Securities Lending Agreement or for the qualifications or eligibility of any Securities Lending Counterparty. Nothing in this Indenture shall be construed to cause the Trustee to have any fiduciary duties to any Securities Lending Counterparty.

So long as any Portfolio Collateral is on loan pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement, (a) the Trustee shall have no liability for any failure or inability on its part to receive any information or take any action with respect to the Portfolio Collateral because of its being on loan (including any failure to take action with respect to a notice of redemption, consent solicitation, exchange or tender offer, or similar corporate action), and (b) the lent Portfolio Collateral shall not be disqualified for return to the Trustee as an item of Portfolio Collateral by any change in circumstance or status during the time while on loan (including any change that would cause the Portfolio Collateral to be ineligible for purchase by the Issuer under this Indenture if applied to a proposed purchase of it in the open market at the time of its return from loan).

## ARTICLE VIII

### SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURES

#### Section 8.1. Supplemental Indentures Without Consent of Noteholders.

Without the consent of the Holders of any Notes, but with the consent of the Servicer, the Co-Issuers and the Trustee, at any time, may enter into one or more indentures supplemental hereto, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, for any of the following purposes:

(1) to correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of this Indenture, or better to assure, convey and confirm unto the Trustee any property subject or required to be subjected to the lien of this Indenture, or to subject to the lien of this Indenture additional property;

(2) to evidence the succession of another Person to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, and the assumption by any such successor of the covenants of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer contained herein and in the Notes;

(3) to add to the covenants of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes, or to surrender any right or power herein conferred upon the Issuer or the Co-Issuer;

(4) to Grant any property to the Trustee;

(5) to evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment hereunder by a successor Trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of this Indenture as shall be necessary to facilitate the administration of the Trust Estate by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of Section 6.9 or 6.10 hereof;

(6) to cure any ambiguity, or to correct, modify or supplement any provision which is defective or inconsistent with any other provision herein;

(7) to take any action necessary or helpful to prevent the Issuer or the Trustee from becoming subject to any withholding or other taxes or assessments or to reduce the risk that the Issuer will be engaged in a United States trade or business or that the Issuer (or the beneficial owners thereof) will be subject to United States income tax on a net income basis;

(8) to correct any manifest error in any provision hereof upon receipt by the Trustee of written direction from the Issuer or Co-Issuer (as to which the Trustee may rely) describing in reasonable detail such error and the modification necessary to correct such error; or

(9) to effectuate the provisions of Section 2.12 hereof *provided that* such amendment shall not, as evidenced by an Officer's Certificate of the Issuer, adversely affect in any material respect the interests of any Noteholder; or



(10) to facilitate the delivery and maintenance of the Notes in accordance with the requirements of DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream;

(11) to authorize the appointment of any listing agent, Transfer Agent, Paying Agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes required or advisable in connection with the listing of the Notes on the Irish Stock Exchange or any other stock exchange and otherwise to amend this Indenture to incorporate any changes required or requested by any governmental authority, stock exchange authority, listing agent, Transfer Agent, Paying Agent or additional registrar for such Notes in connection therewith;

(12) to modify the restrictions on and procedures for resale and other transfer of the Notes in accordance with any change in any applicable law or regulation (or the interpretation thereof) or to enable the Co-Issuers to rely upon any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities Act or the Investment Company Act or to remove restrictions on resale and transfer to the extent not required thereunder;

(13) evidence the addition of an additional issuer or of a wholly owned subsidiary of the Issuer that, in either case, will acquire securities from the Issuer and pledge its assets to secure the obligations of the Issuer secured by the Trust Estate, to the extent necessary to permit the Issuer to comply with the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder or any other statute, rule or regulation applicable to the Issuer, and the assumption by any such additional issuer or subsidiary of the covenants and obligations of the Issuer in this Indenture; or

(14) prevent the Issuer from becoming an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act or better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 thereunder; *provided* that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Initial Purchaser shall have received (A) a Rating Condition with respect to such supplemental indenture and (B) a customary, unqualified opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) providing that, after giving effect to such supplemental indenture, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act;

*provided further* that (A) such amendment for any matters described in clauses (1) through (13) shall not, as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion), adversely affect in any material respect the interests of any Noteholder and (B) no amendment shall be made that would cause the Issuer to register as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act.

The Trustee is hereby authorized to join in the execution of any such supplemental indenture and to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations that may be therein contained. At the cost of the Issuer, the Trustee shall provide to the Servicer and for so long as any Notes are then rated, each Rating Agency then rating any Notes a copy of any proposed supplemental indenture at least 10 days prior to the execution thereof by the Trustee

and request written confirmation that the entering into of such supplemental indenture satisfies the Rating Condition. The Trustee shall not enter into any such supplemental indenture if such supplemental indenture does not satisfy the Rating Condition, and, as soon as practicable after the execution by the Trustee and the Issuer of any such supplemental indenture, the Issuer or the Trustee at the request of the Issuer shall provide to the Servicer and each Rating Agency then rating any Notes a copy of the executed supplemental indenture.

Section 8.2. [Supplemental Indentures with Consent of Noteholders.](#)

With the consent of the Requisite Noteholders, the Servicer and the Holders of the Preferred Shares, to the extent described in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Co-Issuers and the Trustee may enter into an indenture or indentures supplemental hereto for the purpose of adding any provisions to, or changing in any manner or eliminating any of the provisions of, this Indenture or of modifying in any manner the rights of the Holders of the Notes under this Indenture; *provided that*, notwithstanding any Amendment Buy-Out Option described in Section 9.4(b), no such supplemental indenture shall, without the consent of each Noteholder of each Class adversely affected thereby:

(1) change the Final Maturity Date or Payment Date of any Note, or reduce the principal amount, notional principal amount or stated amount thereof, as the case may be, or the means of determining the Applicable Periodic Rate, the Optional Redemption Price, the Special Redemption Price, the Tax Event Redemption Price or the Mandatory Redemption Price, as applicable, with respect thereto, change the provisions of this Indenture relating to the application of proceeds of the Trust Estate to the payment of the Notes or change the jurisdiction where any Note is payable, or the coin or currency in which, any Note or any amount thereunder is payable, or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after the maturity thereof;

(2) reduce the percentage in Aggregate Principal Amount, the consent of the Holders of which is required for the execution of any such supplemental indenture, or the consent of the Holders of which is required for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of this Indenture or certain Events of Default hereunder and their consequences provided for in this Indenture;

(3) impair or adversely affect the Trust Estate except as otherwise permitted herein;

(4) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on a parity with the lien of this Indenture with respect to any part of the Trust Estate or terminate the lien of this Indenture on any property at any time subject hereto (other than pursuant to the terms of this Indenture) or deprive the Holder of any Note or any other party expressly secured hereby of the security afforded by the lien of this Indenture;

(5) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes whose Holders must direct the Trustee to preserve the Trust Estate or must consent before any request is made to rescind the Trustee's election to preserve the Trust Estate pursuant to Section 5.5 hereof, or to sell or liquidate the Trust Estate pursuant to Section 5.4, 5.5 or 9.7

hereof or modify the requirement for consent of any other party to which the right to consent is expressly granted hereby;

(6) modify any of the provisions of this Section or Section 5.15 hereof, except to increase any such percentage or to provide that certain other provisions of this Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note affected thereby;

(7) modify the provisions of Article XI hereof or the definition of the term "Holder," "Noteholder," "Majority Noteholders," "Majority Preferred Shareholders," "Requisite Noteholders" or of the term "Outstanding";

(8) amend any provision of this Indenture relating to the institution of proceedings for the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to be adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency proceedings against it, or the filing with respect to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Bankruptcy Code or any other similar applicable law, or the consent by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the filing of any such petition as to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, respectively;

(9) amend any provision of this Indenture or other such document that provides that the obligations of the Co-Issuer or the Issuer, as the case may be, are non-recourse obligations of the Co-Issuer or the Issuer, respectively, payable solely from the Collateral in accordance with the terms hereof; or

(10) modify any of the provisions of this Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount or timing of any payment of interest or principal due on any Note on any Payment Date (including the calculation of any of the individual components of such calculation) or to affect the rights of the Holders of Notes to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of such Notes contained herein.

With respect to any action that requires consent from 100% of the Noteholders, if any Noteholder has notified the Trustee in writing that pursuant to such Noteholder's organizational documents or other documents governing such Noteholder's actions, the Noteholder is not permitted to take any affirmative action approving, rejecting or otherwise acting upon any Issuer request under the Indenture, the failure by such Noteholder to consent to or reject any such requested action will be deemed a consent by such Noteholder to the requested action.

Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section, the Trustee shall mail to the Servicer and, so long as any Notes are then rated by any Rating Agency, to each such Rating Agency, a copy of such supplemental indenture and, if any Notes are then rated, prior to the execution of the proposed supplemental indenture, the Rating Condition must be satisfied with respect to such supplemental indenture.

It shall not be necessary in connection with any consent of Noteholders under this Section for the Noteholders to approve the specific form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if such consent shall approve the substance thereof.

In the event that any supplemental indenture is consented to by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes and the Rating Condition is satisfied or is specifically waived by all consenting parties, all conditions precedent to the execution of such supplemental indenture shall be deemed satisfied, the execution of such supplemental indenture shall be authorized or permitted by this Indenture, and the Trustee shall execute and accept the additional trusts created by such supplemental indenture pursuant to this Article VIII or modification thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture without obtaining an Opinion of Counsel.

Promptly after the execution by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.2, the Issuer or the Trustee at the request of the Issuer shall deliver to the Holders of the Notes, the Servicer, each Rating Agency then rating any Notes and the Repository (for posting on the Repository in the manner described in Section 13.17), a copy thereof.

#### Section 8.3. [Execution of Supplemental Indentures.](#)

In executing or accepting the additional trusts created by any supplemental indenture permitted by this Article VIII or the modifications thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture, the Trustee shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to Section 6.3(d) hereof) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an Opinion of Counsel stating that the execution of such supplemental indenture is authorized or permitted by this Indenture, and that all conditions precedent applicable thereto under this Indenture have been satisfied. The Trustee may, but shall not be obligated to, enter into any such supplemental indenture which affects the Trustee's own rights, duties or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise.

#### Section 8.4. [Effect of Supplemental Indentures.](#)

Upon the execution of any supplemental indenture under this Article VIII, this Indenture shall be modified in accordance therewith, and such supplemental indenture shall form a part of this Indenture for all purposes; and every Holder of Notes theretofore and thereafter authenticated and delivered hereunder shall be bound thereby.

#### Section 8.5. [Reference in Notes to Supplemental Indentures.](#)

Notes authenticated and delivered after the execution of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Article VIII may, and if required by the Trustee shall, bear a notation in form approved by the Trustee as to any matter provided for in such supplemental indenture. If the Issuer shall so determine, new Notes, so modified as to conform in the opinion of the Trustee and the Issuer to any such supplemental indenture, may be prepared and executed by the Issuer and authenticated and delivered by the Trustee in exchange for Outstanding Notes.

## ARTICLE IX

### REDEMPTION; TERMINATION OF TRUST

Section 9.1. Optional Redemption. On the Optional Redemption Date, which date shall be considered the Final Maturity Date in the case of a Total Optional Redemption, subject to satisfaction of certain conditions described herein, the Notes will be redeemed, in whole or in part, by the Co-Issuers or the Issuer, as applicable, in accordance with the priority of distributions described herein, if such redemption is directed by the holders of Preferred Shares in the amounts described below.

(a) In the case of a Total Optional Redemption:

(i) the Holders of at least 75% of the outstanding Preferred Shares eligible to vote direct the Co-Issuer or the Issuer to redeem the Notes; *provided* that any Preferred Shares beneficially owned or controlled by the Servicer, entities affiliated with the Servicer Entities in excess of the Original HFP Share Amount, shall be excluded from, and be deemed ineligible to participate in, any such vote to direct any Total Optional Redemption;

(ii) sufficient liquidation proceeds from the Portfolio Collateral must exist to effect the redemption of all Notes in full at their Redemption Price in accordance with the priority of distributions described herein; and

(b) in the case of a Partial Optional Redemption:

(i) the Holders of at least 10% of the outstanding Preferred Shares eligible to vote direct the Co-Issuer or the Issuer to redeem the Notes in part; *provided* that any Preferred Shares beneficially owned or controlled by the Servicer Entities, including any HFP Shares, shall be excluded from, and be deemed ineligible to participate in, any such vote to direct any Partial Optional Redemption;

(ii) the Holders of Preferred Shares directing such Partial Optional Redemption shall specify the Partial Redemption Percentage; *provided* that the Partial Redemption Percentage must be the percentage equivalent to at least 10% of the aggregate outstanding principal amount of the Notes as of the Closing Date; and

(iii) the following conditions must be satisfied:

(1) the Partial Redemption Percentage of the Notes must be redeemed *pro rata* at their respective Optional Redemption Price,

(2) the Collateral Quality Matrix tests, Overcollateralization Tests, Interest Coverage Tests and any other eligibility criteria with respect to the Portfolio Collateral must be satisfied before and after giving effect to such redemption; *provided* that the degree of compliance with the Moody's Weighted Average Rating Test and the Weighted Average Margin Test shall not be diminished after giving effect to such redemption,

(3) any applicable Default Swaps of the Issuer must be modified or terminated in a manner consistent with the economic effect of such redemption and in consideration of the Portfolio Collateral and Eligible Investments that will be owned by the Issuer after giving effect to such redemption, and any net termination payments payable by the Issuer must be paid,

(4) the Rating Condition must be satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency,

(5) not more than three (3) prior Partial Optional Redemptions may have occurred, and

(6) no claims may be pending against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and no judgments may have been rendered against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer which exceed, or reasonably could be expected to result in liabilities that exceed, in the aggregate, \$100,000, unless adequate funds have been reserved or set aside for the payment thereof.

In connection with any Optional Redemption, the Issuer may use all funds credited to the Collection Account to provide for payment of the Optional Redemption Price. If there are not sufficient funds in the Collection Account as of the date the notice of redemption is given to pay the Optional Redemption Price on the Optional Redemption Date and all such payments, fees and expenses (including any termination payments with respect to any Synthetic Securities and any Default Swaps), the Servicer is required to give the Trustee written direction to sell Portfolio Collateral in an amount sufficient to provide funds to pay the Optional Redemption Price in full. The Trustee will give notice of an Optional Redemption to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange if any Class of Notes is then listed on the Irish Stock Exchange.

The Servicer shall have the right to purchase the Preferred Shares held by any Holder that directs the Issuer to effect a Partial Optional Redemption at a price equal to the liquidation value of such Preferred Shares.

(c) The election of the Issuer to redeem any Notes pursuant to this Section 9.1 shall be set forth in an Issuer Order, given to the Trustee in accordance with Section 9.5 hereof, directing the Trustee to make the payment of the Optional Redemption Price for all the Notes, from funds in the Collection Account and/or from monies deposited with the Trustee by the Issuer pursuant to Section 9.8 hereof.

(d) The Issuer shall, simultaneously with electing to redeem Notes under this Section 9.1, set the Optional Redemption Date and the Redemption Record Date for any redemption pursuant to this Section and give notice thereof to the Trustee pursuant to Section 9.6 hereof.

(e) The Issuer shall have the option to withdraw the notice of redemption until the earlier of the fifth Business Day prior to the proposed Optional Redemption Date and the date on which a forward purchase contract is entered into pursuant to Section 9.8 by written notice to the Trustee and the Servicer on or prior to such earlier day.

(f) On the Optional Redemption Date, the Optional Redemption Price shall be distributed pursuant to Section 11.1(d) after payment of all amounts required to be paid pursuant to Section 11.1(b).

Section 9.2. [Mandatory Redemption.](#)

If either the Interest Coverage Test or the Overcollateralization Tests are not satisfied as of any applicable Calculation Date or a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, all or a portion of the Notes shall be redeemed (or, in the case of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes, any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts shall be paid and then the Notes shall be redeemed) by the Issuer, in the order set forth in Section 11.1 hereof, on the Payment Date immediately following such Calculation Date at the Mandatory Redemption Price (pursuant to the applicable provisions of Sections 11.1 and 11.2 hereof) in an amount sufficient such that the Interest Coverage Test and Overcollateralization Tests are satisfied or a Rating Confirmation is received, as applicable. The amount of any Mandatory Redemption hereunder shall be determined in accordance with the provisions of Section 11.2 hereof.

Section 9.3. [Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement.](#)

On each Payment Date after the second Payment Date, the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement shall be applied by the Issuer in the order set forth in Section 11.1 hereof.

Section 9.4. [Special Redemption; Amendment Buy-Out](#)

(a) The Notes (other than Class X) shall be redeemable in part on any Payment Date during the Revolving Period at the option of the Issuer, as directed by and at the discretion of the Servicer, to the extent more than U.S. \$2,000,000 of Collateral Principal Collections held in the Collection Account are not applied to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral satisfying the criteria contained in Section 11.3 hereof by the earlier of the last day of the next succeeding Due Period or the last day of the Revolving Period, in the order and priority set forth in Section 11.1 hereof.

(b) In the case of any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Notes or Preferred Shares, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Notes (other than the Class A-1LA Notes) or Preferred Shares held by such Holders of the Class of Notes or Preferred Shares whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture (the "Amendment Buy-Out Option") for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; *provided, however*, that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser may not exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option during the Non-Call Period in connection with a proposed amendment to reduce the rate of interest on any Security, as applicable, or to change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preferred Shares may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer; *provided further*, that notwithstanding the definition of Non-Consenting Holder, any Holder of Notes (other than the Class A-1LA Notes) or Preferred Shares who fails to respond to any such consent solicitation shall be deemed to have consented to any such supplemental indenture. Notwithstanding the foregoing, during the Non-Call Period, "Non-Consenting Holder" shall exclude any Holder of Class A-1LA Notes (unless such Holder has



consented in writing to be designated as a Non-Consenting Holder) and the Amendment Buy-Out Option shall not be applicable to such Class A-1LA Notes. If the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all such Notes or Preferred Shares of Non-Consenting Holders, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes or Preferred Shares the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an "Amendment Buy-Out"). By its acceptance of its Securities or Preferred Shares hereunder, each Holder of Notes or Preferred Shares agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its applicable Notes or Preferred Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser. For the avoidance of doubt, nothing described above shall in any way limit or restrict the rights of Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes to consent or withhold their consent to a supplemental indenture or otherwise vote their interest both during and after the Non-Call Period. Neither the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser nor any other Person shall have any liability to any Holder or Beneficial Owner of Securities or Preferred Shares as a result of an election by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser not to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option. For the avoidance of doubt, (i) nothing described above or in the Indenture shall in any way limit or restrict the rights of the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes to consent or withhold their consent to a supplemental indenture or to otherwise vote their interest both during and after the Non-Call Period and (ii) the Trustee shall have no responsibility for overseeing the Servicer's compliance with the Amendment Buy-Out provisions herein.

(c) All purchases made pursuant to an Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Securities or Preferred Shares set forth herein and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

#### Section 9.5. Tax Event Redemption.

(a) The Notes shall be redeemable, in whole but not in part, by the Issuer at the direction of 66-2/3% of the Preferred Shares or a majority of the Controlling Class (but only if the Aggregate Principal Balance of Portfolio Collateral is less than 100% of the Class A-1L Notes) on any Payment Date at the Tax Event Redemption Price, if as a result of (i) change in tax law, rule or regulation or the interpretation thereof, the payments to be received on the Portfolio Collateral are reduced as a result of the imposition of withholding tax, (ii) the Issuer is otherwise subjected to tax such that the income of the Issuer is reduced in an amount determined by such holders of Preferred Shares to be material, (iii) (A) one or more items of Portfolio Collateral that were not subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them have become subject to withholding tax or the rate of withholding has increased on one or more items of Portfolio Collateral that were subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them and (B) in any Due Period the aggregate of the payments subject to withholding tax on new withholding tax obligations and the increase in payments subject to withholding tax on increased rate withholding tax obligations, in each case to the extent not "grossed-up" (on an after-tax basis) by the related obligor, represent 5% or more of Interest Proceeds for the Due Period, or (iv) taxes, fees, assessments or other similar charges are imposed on the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in an aggregate amount in any 12-month period in excess of \$2,000,000, other than liabilities for withholding taxes included in clause (iii) above. No redemption pursuant to this Section 9.5



shall occur unless all Outstanding Notes are redeemed and unless all payments, fees and expenses are paid in full on the date of such redemption.

(b) The election of the Issuer to redeem any Notes pursuant to this Section 9.5 shall be set forth in an Issuer Order, given to the Trustee in accordance with Section 9.6 hereof, directing the Trustee to make the payment of the Tax Event Redemption Price from funds in the Collection Account and/or from monies deposited with the Trustee by the Issuer pursuant to Section 9.8 hereof.

(c) The Issuer shall, simultaneously with electing to redeem Notes under this Section 9.5, set the Tax Event Redemption Date and the Redemption Record Date for any redemption pursuant to this Section 9.5 and give notice thereof to the Trustee pursuant to Section 9.6 hereof.

(d) The Issuer shall have the option to withdraw the notice of redemption until the earlier of the fifth Business Day prior to the proposed Tax Event Redemption Date and the date on which a forward purchase contract is entered into pursuant to Section 9.8(b) hereof by written notice to the Trustee and the Servicer on or prior to such earlier day.

(e) On the Tax Redemption Date, the Tax Event Redemption Price shall be distributed pursuant to Section 11.1(d) hereof after payment of all amounts required to be paid pursuant to Section 11.1(b) hereof.

Section 9.6. [Notice to Trustee, Rating Agencies and the Servicer.](#)

(a) The Issuer shall by Issuer Order, in connection with an Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.1 or a Tax Event Redemption pursuant to Section 9.5, not later than the twentieth Business Day immediately preceding the proposed Optional Redemption Date or Tax Event Redemption Date, as applicable, notify in writing the Trustee, each Rating Agency then rating any Class of Notes and the Servicer of such proposed Optional Redemption Date or Tax Event Redemption Date, as applicable, and the proposed Redemption Record Date and Optional Redemption Price for each Class of Notes.

(b) If any Mandatory Redemption is required pursuant to Section 9.2 hereof, the Issuer shall, not later than the third Business Day after the related Calculation Date, notify in writing the Trustee, each Rating Agency then rating any Class of Notes, the Servicer and, so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent that such redemption is required and the amount of the Notes of each Class required to be redeemed pursuant to the provisions of Section 11.2 hereof.

(c) If any Special Redemption is required pursuant to Section 9.4 hereof, the Issuer shall, not later than twentieth Business Day preceding the proposed Special Redemption Date, notify in writing the Trustee, each Rating Agency then rating any Class of Notes, the Servicer and, so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent that such proposed redemption is required and the amount of the Notes of each Class to be redeemed.

Section 9.7. [Notice of Optional Redemption and Tax Event Redemption by the Issuer.](#)

(a) If notice thereof has been received by the Trustee from the Issuer pursuant to Section 9.6 hereof, notice of an Optional Redemption shall be given by the Trustee by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not less than twenty calendar days prior to the proposed Redemption Record Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed at the address in the Note Register (with a copy to the Rating Agencies at the addresses specified in Section 10.7 hereof), and, so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent.

All notices of Optional Redemption shall state: the proposed Optional Redemption Date; the proposed Redemption Record Date; and that on such proposed Optional Redemption Date, all Outstanding Notes are to be redeemed and paid in full and that applicable interest thereon shall cease to accrue on the date specified in the notice and the place where such Notes may be surrendered for payment of the Optional Redemption Price, which shall be the agency of the Trustee to be maintained as provided in Section 7.2 hereof; and that the Issuer may withdraw such election at any time on or prior to the earlier of the Business Day prior to such proposed Optional Redemption Date and the date before which a forward purchase contract is entered into pursuant to Section 9.8(a) hereof.

At the cost of the Issuer, the Trustee shall give notice of any withdrawal of the notice of redemption pursuant to Section 9.1(d) hereof (to the extent feasible) by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery, sent not later than the third Business Day prior to the previously proposed Optional Redemption Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed at the address in the Note Register, and, so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent.

Notice of Optional Redemption of the Notes shall be given by the Issuer or, at the Issuer's request, by the Trustee in the name of the Issuer and at the expense of the Issuer. Failure to give notice of redemption or notice of withdrawal, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Note shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of the Notes or give rise to any claim based upon such failure or defect.

(b) If notice thereof has been received by the Trustee from the Issuer pursuant to Section 9.6 hereof, notice of a Tax Event Redemption shall be given by the Trustee by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not less than twenty calendar days prior to the proposed Redemption Record Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed at the address in the Note Register (with a copy to the Rating Agencies at the addresses specified in Section 10.7 hereof), and, so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent.

All notices of a Tax Event Redemption shall state: the proposed Tax Event Redemption Date; the proposed Redemption Record Date; and that on such proposed Tax Event Redemption Date, all of the Notes (to the extent of the Aggregate Principal Amount) are to be redeemed and paid in full and that interest thereon shall cease to accrue on the date specified in the notice and the place where such Notes may be surrendered for payment of the Tax Event Redemption Price, which shall be the agency of the Trustee to be maintained as provided in Section 7.2 hereof; and that the Issuer may withdraw such election at any time on or prior to the

earlier of the fifth Business Day prior to such proposed Tax Event Redemption Date and the date before which a forward purchase contract is entered into pursuant to Section 9.8(b) hereof.

At the cost of the Issuer, the Trustee shall give notice of any withdrawal of the notice of redemption pursuant to Section 9.5 hereof (to the extent feasible) by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery, sent not later than the third Business Day prior to the previously proposed Tax Event Redemption Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed at the address in the Note Register (with a copy to the Rating Agencies at the addresses specified in Section 10.7 hereof), and, so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent.

Notice of Tax Event Redemption of the Notes shall be given by the Issuer or, at the Issuer's request, by the Trustee in the name of the Issuer and at the expense of the Issuer. Failure to give notice of redemption or notice of withdrawal, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Note shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of the Notes or the withdrawal thereof or give rise to any claim based upon such failure or defect.

Section 9.8. Deposit of Optional Redemption Price and Tax Event Redemption Price.

(a) In the case of an Optional Redemption, on or before the fifth Business Day preceding the proposed Optional Redemption Date contained in the notice of redemption as provided in Section 9.6 hereof, the Issuer shall deposit with the Trustee cash or Eligible Investments maturing no later than the Business Day prior to the Optional Redemption Date (unless such Eligible Investments are issued by the Person acting as Trustee, in which event they may mature on the Optional Redemption Date), or any combination thereof, in an amount sufficient to provide for payment of the Optional Redemption Price with respect to the Outstanding Notes and all amounts due under Sections 11.1(b) and 11.1(d) hereof. The Issuer may use all available funds in the Collection Account to provide for payment of the Optional Redemption Price in accordance with Section 11.1 hereof. In the event that there are not sufficient available funds in the Collection Account as of the date the notice of redemption is sent out pursuant to Section 9.6 hereof to pay the Optional Redemption Price on the Optional Redemption Date in accordance with Sections 11.1(b) and 11.1(d) hereof, the Servicer shall give the Trustee written direction to sell Portfolio Collateral in an amount sufficient to provide available funds to pay the Optional Redemption Price in full pursuant to Sections 11.1(b) and 11.1(d) hereof, and shall give the Issuer written direction to enter into, as of a date which is not later than five (5) Business Days prior to the Optional Redemption Date, forward contracts (each of which shall provide for "payment versus delivery" and shall direct that payment be made to the Trustee) with a financial institution rated "A-1+" by Standard & Poor's and "P-1" by Moody's to sell such Portfolio Collateral for settlement at least three Business Days prior to the Optional Redemption Date, and shall provide a copy of such contract to the Trustee prior to such Business Day preceding such redemption date; and pursuant to such instruction, the Trustee shall release and sell such Portfolio Collateral for purposes of such redemption. In determining whether the proceeds of any Optional Redemption will be sufficient to pay the Optional Redemption Price on the Optional Redemption Date, the Issuer and the Trustee may rely on the Market Value of the Portfolio Collateral when entering into any forward purchase agreements.

(b) In the case of a Tax Event Redemption, on or before the fifth Business Day preceding the proposed Tax Event Redemption Date contained in the notice of redemption as provided in Section 9.6 hereof, the Issuer shall deposit with the Trustee cash or Eligible Investments maturing no later than the Business Day prior to the Tax Event Redemption Date (unless such Eligible Investments are issued by the Person acting as Trustee, in which event they may mature on the Tax Event Redemption Date), or any combination thereof, in an amount sufficient to provide for payment of the Tax Event Redemption Price with respect to the Outstanding Notes and all amounts due under Sections 11.1(b) and 11.1(d) hereof. The Issuer may use all available funds in the Collection Account to provide for payment of the Tax Event Redemption Price in accordance with Section 11.1 hereof. In the event that there are not sufficient available funds in the Collection Account as of the date the notice of redemption is sent out pursuant to Section 9.6 hereof to pay the Tax Event Redemption Price on the Tax Event Redemption Date in accordance with Sections 11.1(b) and 11.1(d) hereof, the Servicer shall give the Trustee written direction to sell Portfolio Collateral in an amount sufficient to provide available funds to pay the Tax Event Redemption Price in full pursuant to Sections 11.1(b) and 11.1(d) hereof, and shall give the Issuer written direction to enter into, as of a date which is not later than five Business Days prior to the Tax Event Redemption Date, forward contracts (each of which shall provide for "payment versus delivery" and shall direct that payment be made to the Trustee) with a financial institution rated "A-1+" by Standard & Poor's and "P-1" by Moody's to sell such Portfolio Collateral for settlement at least three Business Days prior to the Tax Event Redemption Date, and shall provide a copy of such contract to the Trustee prior to such third Business Day preceding such redemption date; and pursuant to such instruction, the Trustee shall release and sell such Portfolio Collateral for purposes of such redemption.

#### Section 9.9. Notes Payable on Optional Redemption Date.

In the event that notice of Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.1 hereof has been given as provided in Section 9.6 hereof and not withdrawn, all Outstanding Notes shall on the Optional Redemption Date become due and payable at the Optional Redemption Price, and (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Optional Redemption Price) all Outstanding Notes shall cease to bear interest on the Optional Redemption Date. Each Holder shall present and surrender its Note at the place specified in the notice of Optional Redemption on or prior to such Optional Redemption Date; *provided that* if there is delivered to the Issuer and the Trustee such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them harmless (an unsecured indemnity agreement of an Institutional Investor organized under the laws of the United States or any state in the United States with a net worth at least twice the amount of the security or indemnity being deemed sufficient to satisfy such security or indemnity requirement) and an undertaking thereafter to surrender such Note, then, in the absence of notice to the Issuer or the Trustee that the applicable Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, such payment shall be made without presentation or surrender.

If any Note called for redemption shall not be so paid upon surrender thereof for Optional Redemption (or the delivery of the indemnity pursuant to the preceding paragraph), the principal shall, until paid, bear interest from the Optional Redemption Date at the Applicable Periodic Rate.

Section 9.10. [Notes Payable on Mandatory Redemption Date.](#)

In the event of a Mandatory Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2 hereof, principal of the Notes (or, in the case of the Class A-3L Notes, Class A-4L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes, any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount and then any principal) in an amount determined pursuant to Section 11.2 hereof shall on the Mandatory Redemption Date become due and payable, and (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Mandatory Redemption Price) such amounts shall cease to bear interest on the Mandatory Redemption Date.

Section 9.11. [Notes Payable on Tax Event Redemption.](#)

In the event that notice of a Tax Event Redemption pursuant to Section 9.5 hereof has been given as provided in Section 9.6 hereof and not withdrawn, all Outstanding Notes shall on the Tax Event Redemption Date become due and payable at the Tax Event Redemption Price, and (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Tax Event Redemption Price) all Outstanding Notes shall cease to bear interest on the Tax Event Redemption Date. Each Holder shall present and surrender its Note at the place specified in the notice of redemption on or prior to such Tax Event Redemption Date; *provided that* if there is delivered to the Issuer and the Trustee such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them harmless (an unsecured indemnity agreement of an Institutional Investor organized under the laws of the United States or any state in the United States with a net worth at least twice the amount of the security or indemnity being deemed sufficient to satisfy such security or indemnity requirement) and an undertaking thereafter to surrender such Note, then, in the absence of notice to the Issuer or the Trustee that the applicable Note has been acquired by a bona fide purchaser, such payment shall be made without presentation or surrender.

If any Note called for a Tax Event Redemption shall not be so paid upon surrender thereof for a Tax Event Redemption (or the delivery of the indemnity pursuant to the preceding paragraph), the principal shall, until paid, bear interest from the Tax Event Redemption Date at the Applicable Periodic Rate.

Section 9.12. [Initial Deposit Redemption.](#)

The Class A-1LA Notes and the Class X Notes shall be subject to Initial Deposit Redemption pursuant to the terms of Section 3.3 hereof.

Section 9.13. [Reserved.](#)

Section 9.14. [Notes Payable on Special Redemption Date.](#)

In the event of a Special Redemption pursuant to Section 9.4 hereof, principal of the Notes (or, in the case of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes, any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount and then any principal) in an amount determined pursuant to Section 11.1 hereof shall on the Special Redemption Date become due and payable and (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Special Redemption Price) such amounts shall cease to bear interest on the Special Redemption Date.

## ARTICLE X

## ACCOUNTS, ACCOUNTINGS AND RELEASES

Section 10.1. Collection of Money.

Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, the Trustee may demand payment or delivery of, and shall receive and collect, directly and without intervention or assistance of any fiscal agent or other intermediary, all money and other property payable to or receivable by the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture, including all payments due on the Pledged Securities included in the Trust Estate, in accordance with the terms and conditions of such Pledged Securities. The Trustee shall segregate and hold all such money and property received by it in trust for the Holders of the Notes and shall apply it as provided in this Indenture.

Section 10.2. Accounts.

(a) The Trustee shall, on or prior to the Closing Date, establish ten non-interest bearing segregated trust accounts (collectively, the "Accounts") which shall be designated as the "Collection Account," the "Collateral Account," the "Reserve Account," the "Initial Deposit Account," the "Expense Reimbursement Account," the "Loan Funding Account," the "Closing Expense Account," the "Securities Lending Account," the "Default Swap Collateral Account," and the "Default Swap Issuer Account," respectively, identified as held in trust for the benefit of the Noteholders and the applicable Secured Parties or, in the case of the Default Swap Collateral Account, as held in trust for the benefit of the related Default Swap Counterparty and, to the extent provided in this Indenture, the other Secured Parties. The Trustee may establish any number of sub-accounts to the Collection Account for its convenience in administering the Accounts and Trust Estate.

Each Account (including any sub account) shall be a securities account established with the Securities Intermediary in the name of the Trustee in accordance with Section 6.15.

A Default Swap Collateral Account shall be established for each Default Swap. The Trustee shall credit to each such Default Swap Collateral Account on the Closing Date or on the date any such Default Swap is entered into, as applicable, the amount required to secure the obligations of the Issuer in accordance with the terms of the related Default Swap, as directed by the Servicer, which amount shall be at least equal to the amount referred to in paragraph (iv) of the definition of Default Swap.

Amounts credited to a Default Swap Collateral Account shall be maintained in accordance with the terms and provisions of the related Default Swap. Amounts and property credited to a Default Swap Collateral Account shall be withdrawn by the Trustee and applied to the payment of any amounts payable by, or to the delivery of investment property deliverable by, the Issuer to the related Default Swap Counterparty, as directed by the Servicer, in accordance with the terms of such Default Swap. Income received on amounts credited to a Default Swap Collateral Account will be applied in accordance with the terms of the applicable Default Swap to the payment of any periodic amounts owed by the Issuer to the applicable Default Swap



Counterparty on the date such amounts are due. After application of such amounts, any income then contained in such Default Swap Collateral Account will be withdrawn from such Account and credited to the Collection Account for distribution as Collateral Interest Collections. After payment of all amounts owing by the Issuer to a Default Swap Counterparty in accordance with the terms of the related Default Swap (other than any Default Swap Counterparty Termination Payment) the Trustee shall be directed by the Servicer to withdraw all funds and other property credited to the Default Swap Collateral Account related to such Default Swap and credit such funds and other property to the Collection Account, as Collateral Principal Collections (in the case of cash and Eligible Investments) and the Collateral Account (in the case of Portfolio Collateral and other financial assets) for application as Collateral Principal Collections (other than any income thereon which will be Collateral Interest Collections) in accordance with the terms of the Indenture. Any Default Swap Counterparty Termination Payments owed by the Issuer to the Default Swap Counterparty shall be paid solely from amounts available therefor under the priority of payment provisions described herein.

Except for interest on securities credited to a Default Swap Collateral Account payable to the Issuer as described pursuant to the preceding paragraph, funds and other property standing to the credit of a Default Swap Collateral Account will not be considered to be an asset of the Issuer for purposes of the Interest Coverage Test or the Overcollateralization Tests; *provided, however that* the Default Swap that relates to such Default Swap Collateral Account will be considered an asset of the Issuer for such purposes.

If the terms of any Default Swap require the Default Swap Counterparty to secure its obligations with respect to such Default Swap, the Trustee will cause to be established a Default Swap Issuer Account in respect of such Default Swap. The Trustee shall credit to any such Default Swap Issuer Account all funds and other property received from the applicable Default Swap Counterparty to secure the obligations of such Default Swap Counterparty in accordance with the terms of such Default Swap.

Funds and other property standing to the credit of any Default Swap Issuer Account will not be considered to be an asset of the Issuer for purposes of the Interest Coverage Test or the Overcollateralization Tests; *provided, however that* the Default Swap that relates to such Default Swap Issuer Account will be considered an asset of the Issuer for such purposes.

In accordance with the terms of the applicable Default Swap, funds and other property standing to the credit of the related Default Swap Issuer Account will be withdrawn by the Trustee, as directed by the Servicer, and applied to the payment of any amount owing by the related Default Swap Counterparty to the Issuer. After payment of all amounts owing by the Default Swap Counterparty to the Issuer in accordance with the terms of the related Default Swap, all funds and other property standing to the credit of the related Default Swap Issuer Account will be withdrawn from such Default Swap Issuer Account and paid or transferred to the related Default Swap Counterparty in accordance with the applicable Default Swap.

The Collection Account shall be a segregated trust account (or, at the Trustee's option, may be comprised of two separate, segregated trust accounts, designated for the collection of Collateral Interest Collections and Collateral Principal Collections, respectively), to which money required to be credited to the Collection Account (and Eligible Investments in

which such money may be held from time to time, which Eligible Investments shall be acquired and held pursuant to the terms of Section 6.16 hereof) shall be credited.

All Portfolio Collateral Delivered to the Trustee shall be credited to the Collateral Account.

On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Securities Lending Agreement and delivers a copy of it to the Trustee, the Trustee shall create a segregated trust account designated as the Securities Lending Account with respect to any such Securities Lending Agreement. All Securities Lending Collateral posted by any Securities Lending Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Securities Lending Agreement shall be immediately credited to the Securities Lending Account and posted to a sub-account related to the Securities Lending Account. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds credited to the Securities Lending Account shall be: (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty to the Issuer under a Securities Lending Agreement if the Securities Lending Agreement becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the related Securities Lending Agreement upon any "event of default" under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement, including liquidating the related Securities Lending Collateral, or (ii) to return the Securities Lending Collateral to the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Securities Lending Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts credited to the Securities Lending Account shall be applied pursuant to this Section 10.2. To the extent provided in a Securities Lending Agreement, earnings on amounts credited to the Securities Lending Account shall be payable by the Issuer to the related Securities Lending Counterparty.

Amounts credited to the Securities Lending Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the loaned security or asset that relates to the Securities Lending Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer.

The Trustee shall credit to the Collection Account (i) all Collections and (ii) all amounts required to be credited thereto pursuant to this Indenture, including but not limited to, Section 10.3(e)(i) hereof.

The Trustee shall credit to the Initial Deposit Account (i) the Deposit received on the Closing Date for credit to the Initial Deposit Account pursuant to Section 3.2(e) hereof, (ii) all amounts required to be credited thereto pursuant to this Indenture, including but not limited to, Sections 3.2(e), 10.3(e)(ii) and 11.3 hereof and (iii) all proceeds received with respect to the sale of the Post-Closing Sale Collateral, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein.

Upon the purchase of any item of Portfolio Collateral that is a Delayed Drawdown Loan or a Revolving Loan, the Trustee (as instructed by the Servicer) shall credit Collateral Principal Collections to the Loan Funding Account in an amount equal to the Issuer's maximum future funding obligations under the terms of such Delayed Drawdown Loan or a Revolving Loan and the Collateral Principal Collections so credited shall be considered part of the purchase price of such Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan for purposes of Article



XII hereof. When Collateral Principal Collections are received by the Trustee with respect to a Delayed Drawdown Loan or a Revolving Loan, the amount of such Collateral Principal Collections that may thereafter be re-borrowed under the terms of the Delayed Drawdown Loan or the Revolving Loan shall be credited to the Loan Funding Account.

The Trustee shall credit to the Expense Reimbursement Account (i) on the Closing Date the \$50,000 received on the Closing Date for credit to the Expense Reimbursement Account pursuant to Section 3.2(f) hereof, (ii) all amounts required to be credited thereto from available amounts in the Collection Account pursuant to Section 11.1 hereof and (iii) all amounts required to be credited thereto pursuant to Section 10.3(e)(iii) hereof.

The Trustee shall credit to the Closing Expense Account on the Closing Date the amount specified pursuant to Section 3.2(f) hereof.

In addition, the Issuer may, but under no circumstances shall be required to, credit such monies to the Collection Account as it deems, in its sole discretion, to be advisable in the event that, but for such action, an Event of Default would occur.

All monies, instruments, investment property and other property credited to the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Loan Funding Account, the Closing Expense Account and the Reserve Account pursuant to this Indenture, and all Portfolio Collateral and other property credited to the Collateral Account, shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Trust Estate and shall be applied in the manner set forth herein.

The Trustee shall pay free and clear of the lien of the Indenture, upon receipt (or withdrawal from the Collection Account if previously credited thereto), all Retained Accrued Interest, as directed by Bear Stearns.

(b) Upon Servicer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions) or, after the occurrence of an Event of Default upon written direction of the Requisite Noteholders, any portion of the monies in the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, Reserve Account and the Closing Expense Account in excess of \$10,000 (in the aggregate) shall be applied by the Trustee as directed in such Servicer Order (or written direction of Requisite Noteholders, as the case may be) to purchase one or more Eligible Investments, *provided that* Eligible Investments in the Loan Funding Account are to mature no later than one Business Day after the date of such purchase. If the amount in such Accounts is equal to or less than \$10,000, such amount shall remain on deposit therein and shall not be held in Eligible Investments. The Servicer and Issuer acknowledge that the selection of Eligible Investments by the Servicer pursuant to the preceding sentence shall be subject to the availability of such Eligible Investment at the depository institution at which such Account is held. If, prior to the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Servicer shall not have given directions pursuant to this Section 10.2(b) with respect to any amounts in excess of \$10,000 for one Business Day, the Trustee, unless otherwise directed by the Issuer within one Business Day, shall apply such monies to purchase Eligible Investments described in paragraph (b) of the definition of Eligible Investments (which, in the case of Eligible Investments in the Loan Funding Account, are to mature no later than one Business Day

after the date of such purchase). If, after the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Requisite Noteholders shall not have given directions pursuant to this Section 10.2(b) with respect to any amounts in excess of \$10,000 for one Business Day, the Trustee shall apply such moneys as fully as practicable to purchase Eligible Investments described in paragraph (b) of the definition of Eligible Investments and maturing not later than the earlier of (i) 30 days after the date of such purchase or (ii) the Business Day prior to the next Payment Date (or, in the case of Eligible Investments in the Initial Deposit Account, the Business Day prior to the Effective Date and in the case of Eligible Investments in the Loan Funding Account, one Business Day after the date of such purchase). All income or other gain from such Eligible Investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Reserve Account or the Closing Expense Account, as the case may be (for which the related purchase was made) and any loss resulting from such Eligible Investments shall be charged to the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Reserve Account or the Closing Expense Account, as the case may be (for which the related purchase was made). The Trustee shall not in any way be held liable by reason of any insufficiency in the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Loan Funding Account or the Closing Expense Account resulting from any loss on any Eligible Investment.

(c) Upon Servicer Order and subject to the provisions of Section 11.3 hereof, on any Business Day, the applicable portion of Collateral Interest Collections shall be released from the Collection Account as specified in such Servicer Order and applied by the Trustee in accordance with such Servicer Order in payment of one or more specified items of Additional Portfolio Collateral purchased in accordance with the provisions of Section 11.3 hereof.

(d) Upon Servicer Order and subject to the provisions of Section 11.3 hereof on any Business Day all or a portion of the Collateral Principal Collections (other than Collateral Disposition Proceeds) shall be released from the Collection Account as specified in such Servicer Order and applied by the Trustee in accordance with such Servicer Order in payment of one or more specified items of Additional Portfolio Collateral purchased in accordance with the provisions of Section 11.3 hereof.

(e) Upon Servicer Order and subject to the provisions of Section 12.4 hereof, on any Business Day all or a portion of the Collateral Disposition Proceeds shall be released from the Collection Account and applied by the Trustee in accordance with such Servicer Order in payment of one or more specified items of Substitute Portfolio Collateral purchased in accordance with the provisions of Section 12.4 hereof.

(f) Upon Servicer Order and subject to the requirements of Section 3.4 hereof, between the Closing Date and the close of business on the Effective Date only, all or a portion of the Deposit available in the Initial Deposit Account shall be released from the Initial Deposit Account and applied by the Trustee in accordance with such Servicer Order in payment for Original Portfolio Collateral purchased in accordance with Section 3.4 hereof. Upon Servicer Order, on the Effective Date and pursuant to Section 3.4(d), all Account Income credited to the Initial Deposit Account shall be released from the Initial Deposit Account and credited to the Collection Account to be applied as Collateral Interest Collections on the next Payment Date and the remainder of such funds shall be considered Collateral Principal Collections.

(g) Upon Servicer Order on behalf of the Issuer, all or a portion of the funds available in the Expense Reimbursement Account shall be released from the Expense Reimbursement Account and applied by the Trustee to the payment to the Issuer for the purpose of paying on or prior to the next Payment Date following the date of delivery of such Servicer Order the Issuer Base Administrative Expenses, as specified therein, which are payable during the Due Period relating to such Payment Date.

(h) On or before the first Payment Date, any remaining portion of the Closing Expense Deposit after the closing expenses have been paid in full (including any Account Income thereon) shall be transferred (i) upon receipt by the Trustee of a Servicer Order to the Initial Deposit Account (and be deemed to be part of the Deposit) or, after the Effective Date, to the Collection Account to be applied as Collateral Interest Collections or (ii) if no such Servicer Order has been received on the Business Day prior to the second Payment Date, to the Collection Account to be applied as Collateral Interest Collections.

(i) Upon Servicer Order on behalf of the Issuer, all or a portion of the funds available in the Loan Funding Account shall be released from the Loan Funding Account and applied by the Trustee to fund amounts drawn under any Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan and only funds in the Loan Funding Account shall be used for such purpose. In addition, upon Servicer Order on behalf of the Issuer, all or a portion of the funds available in the Loan Funding Account at any time in excess of the aggregate principal amount of commitments which may be drawn upon all Delayed Drawdown Loans and Revolving Loans in the Portfolio Collateral will be released from the Loan Funding Account and applied by the Trustee to the Collection Account to be applied as Collateral Principal Collections.

(j) On or before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Reserve Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the applicable Secured Parties, and over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On the Closing Date, the Trustee, at the direction of the Issuer, shall credit to the Reserve Account approximately U.S.\$1,600,000 from the net proceeds of the Offering. Amounts credited to the Reserve Account shall be applied pursuant to subclause (b) of this Section 10.2.

### Section 10.3. Custody and Release of Portfolio Collateral.

(a) The Issuer shall cause each item of the Trust Estate to be Delivered, and the Trustee shall hold each item of the Trust Estate as Delivered, separate and apart from all other property held by the Trustee. To the extent that such of the Trust Estate as constitutes a deposit account is maintained with JPMorgan Chase, JPMorgan Chase hereby makes the agreements required under the UCC in order for such deposit account to be Delivered. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the Trustee shall not hold any part of the Trust Estate through an agent or nominee except as expressly permitted by this Section 10.3(a). Each of the preceding requirements of this Section 10.3(a) is subject to the right of the Trustee to relocate the Trust Estate to another jurisdiction pursuant to and upon compliance with Section 7.5(b) hereof.

(b) If no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Servicer, by a Servicer Order delivered to the Trustee on or before the settlement date for any sale of an item of

Portfolio Collateral, certifying that (i) it has determined that such Portfolio Collateral has become an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, an item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, an item of Equity Portfolio Collateral or an item of Portfolio Collateral to be sold pursuant to Section 12.1(d) hereof and, in each case, the sale of such Portfolio Collateral is in compliance with Section 12.1 hereof or (ii) based upon receipt of an Issuer Order, on or after the Payment Date occurring in June 2010, the Collections from the sale of such Portfolio Collateral shall be used to effect an Optional Redemption in accordance with Section 9.1 hereof or (iii) based on receipt of an Issuer Order, the Collections from the sale of such Portfolio Collateral shall be used to effect a Tax Event Redemption in accordance with Section 9.5 hereof or (iv) it has determined that such Portfolio Collateral has become subject to withholding or similar tax and its sale is in compliance with Section 12.1 hereof, may direct the Trustee to release from the lien of this Indenture and deliver the Portfolio Collateral specified in such Servicer Order and, upon receipt of such Servicer Order, the Trustee shall release such Portfolio Collateral from such lien and deliver such Portfolio Collateral in accordance with the Servicer Order, in each case against receipt of sale proceeds therefor.

(c) The Trustee on behalf of the Issuer shall notify the Servicer of any Portfolio Collateral that is being redeemed or paid in full. The Trustee, upon Servicer Order, shall release from the lien of this Indenture such Portfolio Collateral and shall deliver such Portfolio Collateral in accordance with the terms of the redemption or payment in full, in each case against receipt of the proceeds of the redemption price therefor or payment in full thereof.

(d) The Trustee on behalf of the Issuer shall notify the Servicer of any Portfolio Collateral that is subject to an Offer. If no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing and subject to the provisions of Article XII hereof, the Servicer shall, by Servicer Order delivered to the Trustee on or before the date set for an exchange, tender or sale of such Portfolio Collateral, set forth in reasonable detail the procedure for response to such Offer and direct the Trustee to release from the lien of this Indenture such Portfolio Collateral in accordance with the terms of the Offer in each case against receipt of payment therefor.

(e) (i) The Trustee shall credit all proceeds received by it from the disposition of Portfolio Collateral to the Collection Account unless simultaneously applied to purchase in Substitute Portfolio Collateral (as directed by the Servicer). The Trustee shall also credit to the Collection Account (A) all Account Income with respect to the Collection Account, (B) all proceeds received by it from the disposition of an Eligible Investment in the Collection Account, (C) any portion of the Deposit remaining in the Initial Deposit Account on the Effective Date if an Initial Deposit Redemption is not required on such date, which shall be deemed Collateral Principal Collections; *provided that*, at the direction of the Servicer, up to 25% of such remaining Deposit may be deemed to be Collateral Interest Collections, pursuant to Section 3.4(d) hereof, and (D) upon Servicer Order pursuant to Section 10.2(f) hereof, all Account Income in the Initial Deposit Account on the Effective Date.

(ii) The Trustee shall credit to the Initial Deposit Account all proceeds received by it from the disposition of an Eligible Investment in the Initial Deposit Account (subject, however, to the terms of Section 10.2(f) regarding the transfer of such Account Income to the Collection Account on the Effective Date).

(iii) The Trustee shall credit to the Expense Reimbursement Account all Account Income with respect to the Expense Reimbursement Account and all proceeds received by it from the disposition of an Eligible Investment in the Expense Reimbursement Account.

(f) The Trustee shall, at such time as there are no Notes Outstanding and all obligations of the Issuer under or pursuant to this Indenture have been satisfied, upon receipt of written notice from the Servicer that all amounts owing to the Servicer have been paid, release the Trust Estate from the lien of this Indenture.

#### Section 10.4. [Reports of Trustee.](#)

Upon written request, the Trustee shall supply to the Issuer and the Servicer at least three (3) Business Days prior to the date required hereunder for delivery of each Note Valuation Report and each Monthly Report, all information that it has received hereunder with respect to the Pledged Securities which is reasonably required for the preparation of the Note Valuation Report and Monthly Report. The Trustee shall supply in a timely fashion to the Issuer, Bear Stearns and the Servicer any other information that the Issuer or the Servicer may reasonably request from time to time that is in the possession of the Trustee and required to be provided by Section 10.5 hereof. The Trustee shall promptly forward to the Issuer, Bear Stearns, and the Servicer copies of notices and other writings received by it from the issuer of any Pledged Security or from any clearing agency with respect to any Pledged Security advising the holders of such security of any rights that the holders might have with respect thereto (including, without limitation, notices of calls and redemptions) as well as all periodic financial reports received from such issuers and clearing agencies with respect to such issuers. Nothing in this Section 10.4 hereof shall be construed to impose upon the Trustee, in such capacity, any duty to prepare any report or statement which the Issuer is required to prepare or provide under Section 10.5 hereof or to calculate, recalculate or verify any information required to be set forth in any such report or statement (other than information regularly maintained by the Trustee by reason of its acting as Trustee hereunder) prepared or required to be prepared by the Issuer or the Servicer. Nothing herein shall be construed to obligate the Trustee to disclose any information concerning its business or its operations which it reasonably considers confidential in nature.

On the date each Monthly Report is delivered or two Business Days prior to the Payment Date if with respect to a Note Valuation Report delivered in a month in which such Payment Date occurs, the Issuer shall cause to be promptly delivered to Standard & Poor's the Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor input file in the Standard & Poor's Preferred Format (provided that the specific parameters identified by Standard & Poor's have been delivered to the Issuer and the Trustee prior to the Closing Date and are limited to the scope herein stated) containing the Current Portfolio as of the date of determination and used to determine the S&P Scenario Loss Rate and the Schedule of Portfolio Collateral to Moody's in electronic format. In addition, the Issuer may provide any such reports in electronic form on a password-protected internet site or such other electronic format as the Issuer deems desirable.

Section 10.5. Accountings.

(a) Monthly. Not later than the (i) the first day of each month (or if such day is not a Business Day on the next succeeding Business Day) for months where no Payment Date occurs or (ii) the related Payment Date, for months in which a Payment Date occurs, commencing in July 2006, the Issuer shall compile and provide, or procure the provision, to the Trustee, the Paying and Transfer Agent, each Noteholder or Beneficial Owner (upon receipt by the Trustee of a certificate in the form of Exhibit H and to any Servicer of such Noteholder or Beneficial Owner to whom such Noteholder or Beneficial Owner has in writing directed the Trustee to send a copy of such report), Bear Stearns, the Servicer, the Repository and each Rating Agency (but only so long as any Class of Notes is rated) a monthly report (the "Monthly Report"), which shall contain the following information and instructions with respect to the Pledged Securities included in the Trust Estate, determined as of the seventh Business Day preceding either (i) the first day of such month (or if such day is not a Business Day on the next succeeding Business Day) or (ii) the Payment Date in months in which a Payment Date occurs (based in part on information provided by the Servicer):

(1) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral, the Principal Balance of each item of Portfolio Collateral, and the annual interest rate, maturity date, the designated seniority, and the LIN, or, with respect to Loan X Inc., the applicable ID (if either is used by the Servicer) or CUSIP Number of each item of Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate, as well as the rating by Standard & Poor's and the rating by Moody's (provided that any private confidential credit assessments, including estimated or shadow ratings, shall not be disclosed in any report issued and/or published to any party other than the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer) of such item of Portfolio Collateral determined according to the methods prescribed by Schedules D and E, respectively, and the Moody's corporate family rating, senior unsecured rating or long-term issuer rating, as applicable, the Moody's Default Probability Rating and the notch difference, if any, of each item of Portfolio Collateral;

(2) the Balance of the Eligible Investments in the Collection Account, the annual interest rate, maturity date, Principal Balance and issuer of each Eligible Investment in the Trust Estate, as well as the rating by Standard & Poor's and the rating by Moody's of such Eligible Investment;

(3) the nature, source and amount of any Collections in the Collection Account, including the Collateral Interest Collections and Collateral Principal Collections received since the date of determination of the last Monthly Report (or since the Closing Date, in the case of the first such report);

(4) the amount and identity of each item of Portfolio Collateral that was released for sale indicating the reason for such sale; and the amount and identity of each item of Portfolio Collateral that was Granted, since the date of determination of the last Monthly Report (or since the Closing Date, in the case of the first such report);

(5) the identity, principal amount of and Market Value (segregating the Market Value determinations made by the Serving Entities) of each item of Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate which is an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and

Deferred Interest PIK Bond and the identity and principal amount of each item of Portfolio Collateral that became an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, Deferred Interest PIK Bond or Equity Portfolio Collateral since the date of determination of the last Monthly Report (or since the Closing Date, in the case of the first such report);

(6) the purchase price of each Pledged Security Granted and the purchase price and sale price of each Pledged Security subject to a sale since the date of determination of the last Monthly Report (or since the Closing Date, in the case of the first such report); whether such Pledged Security is Portfolio Collateral or an Eligible Investment in the Collection Account;

(7) (i) the identity, principal amount, Market Value, purchase price and percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount of each item of Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate which is an item of Discount Portfolio Collateral, since the date of determination of the last Monthly Report (or since the Closing Date, in the case of the first such report) and (ii) the number of consecutive Business Days such item of Discount Portfolio Collateral has traded above (i) 90% of its Principal Balance with respect to Portfolio Loans and (ii) 85% of its Principal Balance with respect to Debt Securities;

(8) after the Effective Date, the calculation of the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio, the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio and the Interest Coverage Ratio and the amount of any Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement and prior to the Effective Date and with respect to the Interest Coverage Ratio and the amount of any Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement, prior to the second Payment Date, listing such information as "not applicable" and with respect to the Interest Coverage Ratio, in months other than months in which a Payment Date occurs, calculated in accordance with the second paragraph of the definition of the Interest Coverage Ratio and listing such results but marking them as "not applicable";

(9) information with respect to the Portfolio Collateral Granted to the Trustee since the date of determination of the last Monthly Report (or since the Closing Date, in the case of the first such report) reasonably necessary to determine whether the eligibility criteria set forth in Section 12.2 were satisfied (at the time of such grant);

(10) the percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount comprised of non-U.S. Portfolio Collateral and the rating of the sovereign country in which the issuer of such non-U.S. Portfolio Collateral is domiciled;

(11) the identity of and the Market Value of each item of Portfolio Collateral which is a Current Pay Obligation and the percentage of the Aggregate par Amount comprised of Current Pay Obligations;

(12) the percentage of Portfolio Loans for which a Facility Rating has been withdrawn by Moody's due to a restructuring of such Portfolio Loan;

(13) the Weighted Average Life, the Moody's Weighted Average Rating (determined in accordance with the procedures set forth in Schedule F), the Weighted Average Coupon of the Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral and the Weighted Average

Margin of the Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral, the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate and the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate of the Portfolio Collateral, the Moody's Correlation Factor of the Portfolio Collateral, the Aggregate Principal Amount and percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount of Portfolio Collateral which consists of DIP Loans, Delayed Drawdown Loans, Revolving Loans and which has a Moody's Rating or Standard & Poor's Rating of "Caa1" or below or "CCC+" or below, respectively, other than Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, and the Applicable Percentage of each item of Portfolio Collateral;

(14) (a) the percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount consisting of obligations of issuers domiciled in a Group A Country, (b) the percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount consisting of obligations of issuers domiciled in a Group B Country and (c) the percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount consisting of obligations of issuers domiciled in any country other than the United States of America, a Group A Country or a Group B Country;

(15) the percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount consisting of Synthetic Securities including the identity of the Synthetic Security Obligors and the Reference Obligation and their rating, and the percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount consisting of Strip Securities;

(16) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral and the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral consisting of obligations maturing after August 1, 2021;

(17) the par amount of all Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate as of the Effective Date;

(18) the results of the Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor determined in accordance with Schedule D hereto, whether the Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor Test is passed or failed and the S&P Break-Even Loss Rate and the S&P Scenario Loss Rate for each Class;

(19) the Aggregate Principal Amount consisting of CLO Securities, including the Aggregate Principal Amount of each CLO Security with a Moody's Rating below "Baa3" or a Standard & Poor's Rating below "BBB-" and (b) the percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount of CLO Securities managed by any Servicer Entities; and

(20) such other information as the Trustee or the Servicer may reasonably request.

Upon receipt of each Monthly Report, the Servicer shall compare the information contained therein and described in clauses (1) through (19) above to the information contained in its records with respect to the Collateral and shall, within three Business Days after receipt of each such Monthly Report, notify the Issuer, the Collateral Administrator (if different from the Trustee) and the Trustee in writing of any discrepancies between the information contained in the Monthly Report and the information maintained by the Servicer with respect to the Collateral. If any discrepancy exists, the Issuer and the Servicer shall attempt to resolve the discrepancy. If such discrepancy cannot be promptly resolved, the Trustee shall cause the Independent Accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.6 hereof to review such Monthly



Report and the Trustee's records to determine the cause of such discrepancy. If such review reveals an error in the Monthly Report or the Issuer's records, the Monthly Report or the Issuer's records shall be revised accordingly and, as so revised, shall be utilized in making all calculations pursuant to this Indenture. Each Rating Agency (in each case only so long as any Class of Notes is rated by it), Bear Stearns and the Servicer shall be notified in writing of any such revisions by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer.

After the end of the Revolving Period, the Monthly Report shall also contain a statement to the effect that it is not unusual for the eligibility criteria set forth in Section 12.2 hereof not to be satisfied following the Revolving Period as the Portfolio Collateral matures or is otherwise disposed of and principal on the Notes is paid down.

Each of the Issuer, Bear Stearns and the Servicer acknowledges and agrees that each Monthly Report shall be forwarded to the Repository for posting in the manner provided by the Repository.

(b) Payment Date Accounting. With respect to each Calculation Date, the Issuer shall render or cause to be rendered an accounting (the "Note Valuation Report"), determined as of such Calculation Date, and delivered to the Trustee, the Paying and Transfer Agent, Bear Stearns, the Servicer, the Repository, the Collateral Administrator and each Rating Agency (but only so long as any Class of Notes is rated by it), not later than the Business Day prior to the Payment Date related to such Calculation Date. Upon receipt by the Trustee of a certificate in the form of Exhibit H, the Trustee shall make available the Note Valuation Report to the requesting Noteholder or Beneficial Owner. The Note Valuation Report shall contain the following information (based in part on information provided by the Servicer):

(1) The Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral as of the close of business on such Calculation Date, after giving effect to Collateral Principal Collections received during the related Due Period and applied to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral in accordance with the provisions of this Indenture, the sale or other disposition of each item of Portfolio Collateral during such Due Period and the Grant in favor of the Trustee of each item of Substitute Portfolio Collateral and Additional Portfolio Collateral during such Due Period.

(2) The Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes as of the Calculation Date and such Aggregate Principal Amount expressed as a percentage of the original Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes, and the amount of principal payments to be made on the Class A-1LA Notes on the Payment Date relating to such Calculation Date and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes after giving effect to such principal payments and expressed as a percentage of the original Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes.

(3) The Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LB Notes as of the Calculation Date and such Aggregate Principal Amount expressed as a percentage of the original Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LB Notes, and the amount of principal payments to be made on the Class A-1LB Notes on the Payment Date relating to such Calculation Date and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LB Notes after giving

effect to such principal payments and expressed as a percentage of the original Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LB Notes

The Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2L Notes as of the Calculation Date and such Aggregate Principal Amount expressed as a percentage of the original Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2L Notes, and the amount of principal payments to be made on the Class A-2L Notes on the Payment Date relating to such Calculation Date and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2L Notes after giving effect to such principal payments and expressed as a percentage of the original Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2L Notes.

(4) The Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes as of the Calculation Date and such Aggregate Principal Amount expressed as a percentage of the original Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes, and the amount of principal payments to be made on the Class A-3L Notes on the Payment Date relating to such Calculation Date and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes after giving effect to such principal payments and expressed as a percentage of the original Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes.

(5) The Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-4L Notes as of the Calculation Date and such Aggregate Principal Amount expressed as a percentage of the original Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-4L Notes, and the amount of principal payments to be made on the Class A-4L Notes on the Payment Date relating to such Calculation Date and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-4L Notes after giving effect to such principal payments and expressed as a percentage of the original Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes.

(6) The Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes as of the Calculation Date and such Aggregate Principal Amount expressed as a percentage of the original Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes, and the amount of principal payments to be made on the Class B-1L Notes on the Payment Date relating to such Calculation Date and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes after giving effect to such principal payments and expressed as a percentage of the original Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes.

(7) The Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class X Notes as of the Calculation Date and such Aggregate Principal Amount expressed as a percentage of the original Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class X Notes, and the amount of principal payments to be made on the Class X Notes on the Payment Date relating to such Calculation Date and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class X Notes after giving effect to such principal payments and expressed as a percentage of the original Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class X Notes

(8) The Base Servicing Fee, the Additional Servicing Fee, the Supplemental Servicing Fee (if any), the Trustee Administrative Expenses, the Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses, the Issuer Base Administrative Expenses, any replenishment of the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses, in each case

including any amount with respect to any previous Payment Date that was not paid on a previous Payment Date relating to such Calculation Date on an itemized basis.

(9) For the Collection Account:

(a) the Balance in the Collection Account as of such Calculation Date;

(b) the amounts payable from the Collection Account pursuant to Article XI hereof on the Payment Date relating to such Calculation Date (in the aggregate and under each Section and subsection of Article XI hereof); and

(c) the Balance remaining in the Collection Account immediately after giving effect to all payments to be made on the Payment Date relating to such Calculation Date.

(10) For the Loan Funding Account, the Balance in the Loan Funding Account as of such Calculation Date, the amounts, if any, payable from the Loan Funding Account to fund amounts drawn under any Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan with respect to such Calculation Date and the amount, if any, transferred from the Loan Funding Account to the Collection Account as Collateral Principal Collections with respect to such Calculation Date.

(11) (A) The Overcollateralization Ratios and the Interest Coverage Ratio (including a break-down of the components of such ratios) and the results of the Overcollateralization Tests, the Interest Coverage Test and the amount of any Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement (which shall not be reported on a pass/fail basis) as of the close of business on such Calculation Date (after giving effect to any payments to be made on the Payment Date relating to such Calculation Date, other than payments of the Mandatory Redemption Price with respect to an O/C Redemption, if any, made pursuant to Section 9.2 hereof and Section 11.2 hereof), (B) if the Interest Coverage Test or any Overcollateralization Test is not met, the amount of O/C Redemption of each Class of Notes on the related Payment Date pursuant to Section 9.2 hereof that would be necessary on the related Payment Date in order to cause the Interest Coverage Test or such Overcollateralization Test to be met (after giving effect to all payments to be made on such Payment Date), (C) the results of the Interest Coverage Test and the Overcollateralization Tests after giving effect to such O/C Redemptions pursuant to Section 9.2 hereof and the other payments, if any, to be made on such Payment Date, (D) if a Rating Confirmation Failure has occurred, the amount of Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption of each Class of Notes on the related Payment Date pursuant to Section 9.2 hereof that would be necessary on the related Payment Date in order to receive a Rating Confirmation (after giving effect to all payments to be made on such Payment Date), and (E) if the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement is not met, the amount of cash that would be necessary on the related Payment Date to be applied in accordance with Section 11.1 in order to cause the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement to be met (after giving effect to all payments to be made on such Payment Date); *provided that* the Note Valuation Report need not contain information relating to the Interest Coverage Test or the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement with respect to the first Calculation Date.

(c) Noteholder Report. With respect to each Calculation Date, the Issuer shall render or cause to be rendered an accounting (the "Noteholder Report"), determined as of such Calculation Date, and completed not later than the Business Day preceding the Payment Date relating to such Calculation Date. The Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee, each Noteholder or Beneficial Owner (upon receipt by the Trustee of a certificate in the form of Exhibit H), each Rating Agency (but only so long as any Class of Notes is rated by such Rating Agency), the Paying and Transfer Agent and the Servicer, a copy of the Noteholder Report promptly after such completion no later than the tenth day after such Calculation Date. The Noteholder Report shall contain the information contained in Section 10.5(b)(1) through (9) and Section 10.5(a)(1) through (19).

Each Noteholder Report shall contain the following statement: "Each holder of a Note (other than those issued pursuant to Regulation S) or any interest therein is required at all times to be "Qualified Institutional Buyer" within the meaning of Rule 144A ("Rule 144A") under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") who is also a "Qualified Purchaser" within the meaning of Section 3(c)(7) of the U.S. Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Investment Company Act") and each such holder (i) is not formed for the purpose of investing in the Notes (unless all of its beneficial owners are Qualified Purchasers), (ii) is not a dealer described in paragraph (a)(1)(ii) of Rule 144A (unless such holder owns and invests on a discretionary basis at least U.S. \$25 million in securities of issuers that are not affiliated persons of such dealer), (iii) is not a plan referred to in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(D) or (E) of Rule 144A or a trust fund referred to in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(F) of Rule 144A that holds the assets of such plan (unless investment decisions are made solely by the fiduciary, trustee or sponsor of such plan), (iv) each account for which it is holds Notes is holding Notes in at least the minimum denomination set forth in the Indenture and (v) will provide written notice of the foregoing and any other applicable transfer restrictions to any transferee of a Note or any interest therein. The Notes (other than those issued pursuant to Regulation S) and any interest therein may only be transferred to a transferee that can make the foregoing representations and the Co-Issuers have the right, at any time, to force any holder of a Note who is not a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser to sell or redeem its Notes."

After the end of the Revolving Period, the Noteholder Report shall also contain a statement to the effect that it is not unusual for the eligibility criteria set forth in Section 12.2 hereof not to be satisfied following the Revolving Period as the Portfolio Collateral matures or is otherwise disposed of and principal on the Notes is paid down.

(d) Payment Date Instructions. The Note Valuation Report referred to in subsection (b) of this Section 10.5 shall constitute instructions to the Trustee to withdraw on the Payment Date relating to such Note Valuation Report the available funds from the Collection Account and make the payments set forth in the Note Valuation Report in the manner specified, and in accordance with the priorities established, in Article XI hereof.

(e) Optional Redemption Instructions. Not less than three Business Days after an Issuer Order electing an Optional Redemption of the Notes pursuant to Section 9.1 has been delivered to the Trustee, the Issuer shall compute the following information and provide such information in a statement (the "Redemption Date Statement") delivered to the Trustee, the Servicer and the Rating Agencies:

(1) the amounts payable to the Trustee, the Paying and Transfer Agent, the Issuer and the Servicer pursuant to Sections 11.1(b) and (d);

(2) the amount in the Collection Account available for payment of the Optional Redemption Price; and

(3) the Optional Redemption Price.

(f) Tax Event Redemption Instructions. Not later than three Business Days after an Issuer Order electing a Tax Event Redemption of the Notes Pursuant to Section 9.5 has been delivered to the Trustee, the Issuer shall compute the following information and provide such information in a statement (also, a "Redemption Date Statement") delivered to the Trustee, the Servicer and the Rating Agencies.

(1) the amounts payable to the Trustee, the Issuer, the Paying and Transfer Agent and the Servicer pursuant to Sections 11.1(b) and (d);

(2) the amount in the Collection Account available for payment of the Tax Event Redemption Price; and

(3) the Tax Event Redemption Price.

(g) Appointment of Agent. The Issuer may appoint an administrator or other agent to perform its obligations to provide reports pursuant to this Article X and certain calculations pursuant to Article XII. Pursuant and subject to the terms of a collateral administration agreement (the "Collateral Administration Agreement") entered into or to be entered into among the Issuer, the Servicer and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, the Issuer has appointed or shall appoint JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as its initial agent for such purposes and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, has accepted or shall accept such appointment and has agreed or shall agree to perform such obligations, as provided therein.

#### Section 10.6. Reports by Independent Accountants.

(a) The Issuer will appoint prior to the Effective Date, a nationally recognized firm of accountants as the firm or firms of Independent certified public accountants to prepare and deliver the reports or certificates of such accountants required by this Indenture. Upon any resignation by, or removal of, such firm, the Issuer shall promptly appoint a successor thereto that shall also be a firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized national reputation in the United States and for so long as any Notes are then rated, provide notice of such successor to each Rating Agency then rating any Notes. If the Issuer shall not have appointed a successor within 30 days of any firm resigning from the position of Independent certified public accountants to the Issuer, the Trustee shall promptly appoint a successor firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized national reputation in the United States and for so long as any Notes are then rated, provide notice of such successor to each Rating Agency then rating any Notes. The fees of such Independent certified public accountants and its successor shall be payable by the Issuer.

(b) On or before May 31 in 2007 and on or before May 31 in each year thereafter through 2011, the Issuer shall cause to be delivered to the Trustee, the Servicer and each Rating Agency, if any, then rating any Class of Notes a certificate (the "Accountants' Certificate") from the firm of Independent certified public accountants appointed by the Issuer indicating (i) that such firm has reviewed the Note Valuation Reports and Redemption Date Statements relating to the Payment Dates in such period, (ii) that the calculations within such Note Valuation Reports and Redemption Date Statements have been performed in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture (except as otherwise noted in a statement), (iii) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral securing the Notes as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Dates and (iv) the procedures undertaken by such accountants to perform such calculations. In the event such firm requires the Trustee to agree to the procedures performed by such firm, the Servicer shall direct the Trustee in writing to so agree; it being understood and agreed that the Trustee will deliver such letter agreement in conclusive reliance upon the direction of the Servicer, and the Trustee makes no independent inquiry or investigation as to, and shall have no obligation or liability in respect of the sufficiency, validity or correctness of such procedures. Upon receipt by the Trustee of a certificate in the form of Exhibit H, the Trustee shall make available a copy of the Accountant's Certificate to the requesting Noteholder.

(c) Beginning with the year 2007, on or before (i) January 31 of each year or, (ii) if later, on or before any date in each year on which any of the information described below is required to be delivered to the Noteholders under the Code or any other applicable law, but, in any case, not later than March 1 of each year, the Issuer shall cause each Paying Agent in the United States to prepare and deliver a Form 1099 to each Noteholder and the Issuer shall provide or cause to be provided such other information as is requested by a Noteholder, which is necessary to permit such Holder to prepare and file any applicable U.S. income tax returns related to the most recently ended calendar year.

#### Section 10.7. Reports to Rating Agencies.

For so long as any Class of Notes is rated by a Rating Agency, the Issuer shall provide or cause to be provided to each Rating Agency then rating such Notes with a copy of each Monthly Report, each Note Valuation Report, each Noteholder Report, each Accountants' Certificate and any other notification delivered to any Noteholder pursuant to the provisions of this Indenture and with such additional information as such Rating Agency may from time to time reasonably request and the Issuer determines in its sole discretion may be obtained and provided without unreasonable burden or expense. In addition, upon receipt of actual knowledge thereof, the Trustee shall send to each Rating Agency notice of any Default set forth in Section 5.1 hereof. The Trustee will also give notice to the Rating Agencies, of any removal of the Servicer pursuant to Section 5.4(c). In addition, the Servicer shall provide to the Rating Agencies those notices related to the Issuer's purchase of Synthetic Securities that are contemplated by Section 12.10 (which notices, in the case of notices provided by the Servicer to Moody's, shall be sent to the attention of a "Managing Director" of Moody's CBO/CLO Group); and, if Standard & Poor's or Moody's so requests and if such requesting party did not rate the related Synthetic Securities, the Servicer shall also provide to such requesting party a copy of the transaction documents in its possession, relating to all Synthetic Securities. The Servicer shall also notify Standard & Poor's if more than 10% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of Portfolio Collateral are obligations of issuers domiciled outside the United States. The address of

Standard & Poor's for purposes of notices and reports hereunder shall be as follows: 55 Water Street, New York, New York 10041-0003, (email: cdo\_surveillance@sandp.com), Attention: Structured Finance Ratings, or such other address of which the Issuer is notified in writing by Standard & Poor's. The address of Moody's for purposes of notices and reports hereunder shall be as follows: 99 Church Street, New York, New York 10007, email: cdomonitoring@moodys.com, Attention: CBO Monitoring Group or such other address of which the Issuer is notified in writing by Moody's.

## ARTICLE XI

### APPLICATION OF MONIES

#### Section 11.1. Disbursements of Monies from Collection Account.

Except as otherwise set forth in Section 10.2 hereof, disbursements of monies from the Closing Expense Account and the Collection Account shall be made at the following times and in the following order of priority:

(a) On the Closing Date, the Trustee shall pay, from the funds deposited in the Closing Expense Account, the fees, commissions and expenses associated with the Closing (collectively, "Closing Expenses") as set forth in an Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee on the Closing Date; *provided that* any such Closing Expenses may in the alternative be paid on any date after the Closing Date and prior to the Payment Date in November 2006 from the Closing Expense Deposit in the Closing Expense Account pursuant to an Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee (which shall state that the amounts called for to be paid therein are Closing Expenses). All payments pursuant to Section 11.1 hereof may be made from the United States. The Issuer may appoint an agent or agents for purposes of making payment of expenses, fees and commissions to be paid on its behalf from outside the United States pursuant hereto and (each such person shall be considered, a "Paying Agent" hereunder). The Issuer hereby initially appoints JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as such Paying Agent for such limited purpose.

(b) On each Payment Date (including the Final Maturity Date and if funds become available after the Final Maturity Date, on any date after the Final Maturity Date) and in accordance with the Note Valuation Report for the Calculation Date immediately preceding such Payment Date, the Trustee shall withdraw from the Collection Account (to the extent of the available funds therein excluding therefrom (I) during the Revolving Period, any Collateral Disposition Proceeds received during the Due Period relating to such Calculation Date to be applied by the Trustee during the related Due Period or the immediately succeeding Due Period as set forth in Section 12.4 hereof and (II) during the Revolving Period or Amortization Period, Collateral Principal Collections in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed purchase prices for Additional Portfolio Collateral with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment (as set forth in the notice from the Servicer to the Trustee) prior to the end of such Due Period for the purchase thereof, but has not settled such purchase by the end of such Due Period, as set forth in Section 11.3 hereof) an amount up to the Collateral Interest Collections and, to the extent the amount of the Collateral Interest Collections is not sufficient, an amount up to the Collateral Principal Collections, and shall make a disbursement in the following order of priority:

FIRST: To the Trustee for the payment in full of the Trustee Administrative Expenses for the related Due Period and any Trustee Administrative Expenses with respect to any previous Payment Date that were not paid on any previous Payment Date, and then to the Paying and Transfer Agent for the payment in full of the Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses for the related Due Period and any Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses with respect to any previous Payment Date that were not paid on any previous Payment Date;

SECOND: To the Issuer for the payment of Issuer Base Administrative Expenses with respect to the related Due Period and any Issuer Base Administrative Expenses with respect to a previous Payment Date that were not paid on a previous Payment Date;

THIRD: For the replenishment of the Expense Reimbursement Account up to an amount equal to U.S. \$50,000 to the extent any amount therein has paid the Issuer Base Administrative Expenses for the related Due Period and to the extent any amount so paid for any prior Due Period has not been so replenished; *provided however*, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the amounts set forth in clauses FIRST through this clause THIRD shall not exceed (i) \$250,000 per annum plus (ii) the greater of \$75,000 per annum and 0.0275% per annum of the Aggregate Par Amount on the related Calculation Date.

FOURTH: To the Servicer for the payment of the Base Servicing Fee with respect to such Payment Date and any Base Servicing Fee with respect to any previous Payment Date that was not paid on a previous Payment Date, and to the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend then due and any Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend with respect to any previous Payment Date that was not paid on a previous Payment Date.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, any amounts to be paid to the Paying and Transfer Agent in its capacity as paying and transfer agent for the Preferred Shares pursuant to the Indenture will be delivered by the Trustee to the Paying and Transfer Agent for deposit in the Preferred Shares Collection Account in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement.

(c) On each Payment Date with respect to the **Revolving Period** and the **Amortization Period** in accordance with the Note Valuation Report for the Calculation Date immediately preceding such Payment Date, the Trustee shall withdraw from the Collection Account (to the extent of the available funds therein, excluding therefrom (I) during the Revolving Period, any Collateral Disposition Proceeds received during the Due Period relating to such Calculation Date to be applied by the Trustee during the related Due Period or the immediately succeeding Due Period as set forth in Section 12.4 hereof and (II) during the Revolving Period, Collateral Principal Collections in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed purchase prices for Additional Portfolio Collateral with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment (as set forth in the notice from the Servicer to the Trustee) prior to the end of such Due Period for the purchase thereof, but has not settled such purchase by the end of such Due Period, as set forth in Section 11.3 hereof) an amount equal to the Adjusted Collections and shall make the following disbursements:



(i) The Trustee shall apply such amounts constituting Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections (to the extent of available funds therefor) in the following order of priority:

FIRST: To the payment, *pari passu*, to (i) the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class A-1LB Notes of an amount equal to the applicable Cumulative Interest Amount and, on each Payment Date and (ii) on each Payment Date through the August 1, 2013 Payment Date, the Cumulative Class X Payment with respect to the Class X Notes;

SECOND: To the payment to the Holders of the Class A-2L Notes of an amount equal to the applicable Cumulative Interest Amount;

THIRD: To the payment to the Holders of the Class A-3L Notes of an amount equal to the applicable Cumulative Interest Amount;

FOURTH: To the payment to the Holders of the Class A-4L Notes of an amount equal to the applicable Cumulative Interest Amount;

FIFTH: To the payment of principal in the amount, if any, required to be paid in order to satisfy the Class A Overcollateralization Test and, on each Payment Date after the second Payment Date, the Interest Coverage Test, such amount to be paid first, to the Class A-1LA Notes; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes; third, to the Class A-2L Notes, fourth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class A-3L Notes, and then to principal of the Class A-3L Notes; and fifth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class A-4L Notes, and then to principal of the A-4L Notes, in that order, until each such Class is paid in full, to the extent required to satisfy the Class A Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test;

SIXTH: To the payment of the Periodic Interest Amount with respect to the Class B-1L Notes and such Payment Date;

SEVENTH: To the payment of principal as an O/C Redemption or a Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption in the amount, if any, required to be paid in order to satisfy the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test or in order to receive a Rating Confirmation, as applicable, such amount to be paid first, *pro rata*, to the Class X Notes, only in connection with a Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption, and to the Class A-1LA Notes; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes; third, to the Class A-2L Notes; fourth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class A-3L Notes and then to principal of the Class A-3L Notes; fifth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class A-4L Notes and then to principal of the Class A-4L Notes; and sixth, to principal of the Class B-1L Notes, in that order, until each such Class is paid in full, to the extent required to satisfy the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test or in order to receive a Rating Confirmation, as applicable;

EIGHTH: To the payment to the Holders of the Class B-1L Notes of an amount equal to the Cumulative Interest Amount for the Class B-1L Notes and such Payment Date to the extent not paid to the Holders of the Class B-1L Notes pursuant to clauses SIXTH OR SEVENTH of this Section 11.1(c)(i);

NINTH: (I) During the Revolving Period, on each Payment Date after the second Payment Date to the extent of available funds, *pro rata*, an amount equal to 35% of the funds available up to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement to be deposited into the Collection Account and applied to pay principal of the Class B-1L Notes until such Class is paid in full and an amount equal to 65% (or, after the Class B-1L Notes are paid in full, 100%) of the funds available up to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement for the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral (other than CLO Securities), as directed by the Servicer or the Issuer, pursuant to Section 11.3 hereof during the immediately succeeding Due Period and (II) during the Amortization Period to the extent of available funds, *pro rata*, an amount equal to 35% of the funds available up to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement to be deposited into the Collection Account and applied to pay principal of the Class B-1L Notes until such Class is paid in full and an amount equal to 65% (or, after the Class B-1L Notes are paid in full, 100%) of the funds available up to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement to the payment of principal of the Notes in the order of priority described in clause SEVENTH above;

TENTH: To the payment to the Default Swap Counterparty any Default Swap Counterparty Termination Payment;

ELEVENTH: To the payment, *first* (a) to the Servicer the Additional Servicing Fee with respect to such Payment Date, and (b) to the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend then due and unpaid, and *second*, to the Holders of the Notes any due and unpaid Extension Bonus Payment;

TWELFTH: To the payment to the Issuer of Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses with respect to such Payment Date and any Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses with respect to any previous Payment Date that were not paid on a previous Payment Date; and

THIRTEENTH: If the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares as of such Payment Date is less than 12%, to the payment to the Holders of the Preferred Shares, but only up to an amount that would cause the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares to equal 12%; and

FOURTEENTH: Any remaining amounts, (a) 20% to (x) the payment of the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date, and (y) the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Supplemental Dividend then due and unpaid, and (b) 80% to the Holders of the Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, as a dividend thereon or as a redemption payment on the Redemption Date, as applicable.

(ii) During the **Revolving Period**, the Trustee shall apply the Adjusted Collateral Principal Collections (to the extent of available funds therefor) in the following order of priority:

FIRST: To the payment of the amounts described in clauses FIRST through SEVENTH of Section 11.1(c)(i) hereof with respect to Collateral Interest Collections

and the Revolving Period, in the order described therein, in each case to the extent such amounts have not been paid from Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections with respect to such Payment Date; *provided however* that, with respect to the payment described in clause THIRD of Section 11.1(c)(i) hereof, so long as any Class X Notes, Class A-1L Notes or Class A-2L are Outstanding, the Class A-3L Notes shall only be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Interest Amount (or, after the Class A-2L Notes are paid in full, the Cumulative Interest Amount) due to the Class A-3L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections, but only to the extent this payment will not cause the failure of the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test, with respect to clause FOURTH of Section 11.1(c)(i) above, so long as any Class X Notes, Class A-1L Notes, Class A-2L Notes or Class A-3L Notes are Outstanding, the Class A-4L Notes shall only be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Interest Amount (or, after the Class A-3L Notes are paid in full, the Cumulative Interest Amount) due to the Class A-4L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections, and with respect to the payment described in clause SIXTH of Section 11.1(c)(i) hereof, so long as any Class X Notes, Class A-1L Notes, Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes or the Class A-4L Notes are Outstanding, the Class B-1L Notes shall only be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Interest Amount due to the Class B-1L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections, but only to the extent this payment will not cause the failure of the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test; and *provided further*, so long as any Class A-1L Notes or Class A-2L Notes are not Outstanding, the Class A-3L Notes shall be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount due to the Class A-3L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections and, so long as any Class A-1L Notes, Class A-2L Notes or Class A-3L Notes are not Outstanding, the Class A-4L Notes shall be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount due to the Class A-4L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections, and then any remaining amounts shall be distributed pursuant to clauses FIFTH through SEVENTH of Section 11.1(c)(i) hereof, in the order described therein;

SECOND: To pay principal of the Notes in a Special Redemption, such amount to be paid first, (A) to the Class A-1LA Notes; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes; third, to the Class A-2L Notes; fourth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class A-3L Notes; fifth, to principal of the Class A-3L Notes; sixth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class A-4L Notes; seventh, to principal of the Class A-4L Notes; and eighth, to the Class B-1L Notes, in that order, until each such Class is paid in full; and

THIRD: As directed by the Servicer or the Issuer (or deposited by the Trustee in the Collection Account), to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral meeting the specified requirements no later than the last day of the Due Period relating to the Payment Date next following such Payment Date, such amounts to be applied in the manner described herein.

(iii) During the **Amortization Period**, the Trustee shall apply the Adjusted Collateral Principal Collections (to the extent of available funds therefor and including for purposes of this Section 11.1(c)(iii) any Collateral Disposition Proceeds (other than Collateral Disposition Proceeds received in connection with the sale of an item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral to be reinvested pursuant to Section 12.4(a)) received

during the Due Period relating to such Calculation Date to be applied by the Trustee as set forth in this Section 11.1(c)(iii)) in the following order of priority:

FIRST: To the payment of the amounts described in clauses FIRST through SEVENTH of Section 11.1(c)(i) hereof with respect to Collateral Interest Collections and the Amortization Period, in the order described therein, in each case to the extent such amounts have not been paid from Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections with respect to such Payment Date; *provided however* that, with respect to the payment described in clause THIRD of Section 11.1(c)(i) hereof, so long as any Class X Notes, Class A-1L Notes or Class A-2L Notes are Outstanding, the Class A-3L Notes shall only be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Interest Amount (or, after the Class A-2L Notes are paid in full, the Cumulative Interest Amount) due to the Class A-3L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections, but only to the extent this payment will not cause the failure of the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test, and with respect to clause FOURTH of Section 11.1(c)(i) above, so long as any Class X Notes, Class A-1L Notes, Class A-2L Notes or Class A-3L Notes are Outstanding, the Class A-4L Notes shall only be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Interest Amount (or, after the Class A-3L Notes are paid in full, the Cumulative Interest Amount) due to the Class A-4L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections, but only to the extent this payment will not cause the failure of the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test, and with respect to clause SIXTH of Section 11.1(c)(i) above, so long as any Class X Notes, Class A-1L Notes, Class A-2L Notes, Class A-3L Notes or Class A-4L Notes are Outstanding, the Class B-1L Notes shall only be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Interest Amount due to the Class B-1L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections but only to the extent this payment will not cause the failure of the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test, and then any remaining amounts shall be distributed pursuant to clauses FIFTH and SEVENTH of Section 11.1(c)(i) hereof, in the order described therein; and *provided further*, so long as any Class A-1L Notes or Class A-2L Notes are not Outstanding, the Class A-3L Notes shall be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount due to the Class A-3L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections and, so long as any Class A-1L Notes, Class A-2L Notes or Class A-3L Notes are not Outstanding, the Class A-4L Notes shall be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount due to the Class A-4L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections, and then any remaining amounts shall be distributed pursuant to clauses FIFTH through SEVENTH of Section 11.1(c)(i) hereof, in the order described therein;

SECOND: So long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing and as directed by the Servicer or the Issuer (or deposited by the Trustee in the Collection Account), to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral from the proceeds of Collateral Principal Collections from any unscheduled prepayment or to the purchase of Substitute Portfolio Collateral from the sales proceeds of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, meeting the specified requirements with respect to the Amortization Period no later than ninety days after receipt of such amounts, to be applied in the manner described herein; and

THIRD: To pay the Notes as follows: first, to the Class A-1LA Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; third, to the Class

A-2L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; fourth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class A-3L Notes and then to principal of the Class A-3L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; fifth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class A-4L Notes and then to principal of the Class A-4L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; and sixth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to Class B-1L Notes and then to principal of the Class B-1L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full.

(d) On the **Final Maturity Date** (including the Optional Redemption Date, the Tax Event Redemption Date or any other Payment Date on which the Aggregate Principal Amounts of the Notes is paid in full) and, if funds become available after the Final Maturity Date, on any other date after the Final Maturity Date, and in accordance with the Note Valuation Report for the Calculation Date immediately preceding such Payment Date (or in the case of an Optional Redemption or a Tax Event Redemption, in accordance with the related Redemption Date Statement), the Trustee shall withdraw from the Collection Account an amount equal to the Adjusted Collateral Collections (including Collateral Disposition Proceeds) and from the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Loan Funding Account any amount on deposit therein and shall make the following disbursements in the following order of priority:

FIRST: To the payment, *pari passu*, to the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes of an amount equal to the applicable Cumulative Interest Amount, to the Holders of the Class A-1LB Notes of an amount equal to the applicable Cumulative Interest Amount and to the Holders of the Class X Notes an amount equal to the Class X Shortfall Amount plus the Periodic Interest Amount for the Class X Note;

SECOND: To the payment of principal of the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class X Notes in amounts not to exceed the Aggregate Principal Amounts of the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class X Notes, respectively, and then to the payment of principal of the Class A-1LB Notes in an amount not to exceed the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LB Notes;

THIRD: To the payment to the Holders of the Class A-2L Notes of an amount equal to the applicable Cumulative Interest Amount;

FOURTH: To the payment of principal of the Class A-2L Notes in an amount not to exceed the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2L Notes;

FIFTH: To the payment to the Holders of the Class A-3L Notes of an amount equal to the applicable Cumulative Interest Amount;

SIXTH: To the payment of principal of the Class A-3L Notes in an amount not to exceed the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes;

SEVENTH: To the payment to the Holders of the Class A-4L Notes of an amount equal to the applicable Cumulative Interest Amount;

EIGHTH: To the payment of principal of the Class A-4L Notes in an amount not to exceed the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-4L Notes.

NINTH: To the payment of the Holders of the Class B-1L Notes of an amount equal to the applicable Cumulative Interest Amount;

TENTH: To the payment of principal of the Class B-1L Notes in an amount not to exceed the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes;

ELEVENTH: To the payment of principal of any Default Swap Counterparty Termination Payments to the Default Swap Counterparty;

TWELFTH: *First*, (a) to the Servicer the Additional Servicing Fee with respect to such Payment Date and (b) to the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend then due and unpaid and, *second*, to the Holders of the Notes any due and unpaid Extension Bonus Payment;

THIRTEENTH: To the payment to the Issuer of amounts due the Issuer for Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses and any such amounts that were due on any prior Payment Date but remain unpaid;

FOURTEENTH: If the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares as of such Payment Date is less than 12%, to the payment to the Holders of the Preferred Shares, but only up to an amount that would cause the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares to equal 12%; and

FIFTEENTH: Any remaining amounts, (a) 20% to (x) the payment of the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date, and (y) the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Supplemental Dividend then due and unpaid, and (b) 80% to the Holders of the Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, as a dividend thereon or as a redemption payment on the Redemption Date, as applicable.

The obligation to pay the foregoing amounts on the Final Maturity Date is absolute and unconditional, but recourse therefor will be limited to the Trust Estate.

(e) Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, with respect to Adjusted Collateral Collections held in the Collection Account in Eligible Investments pending application to purchase Portfolio Collateral, any such amounts not used to purchase Portfolio Collateral by the last day of the Due Period next succeeding the Due Period in which such amounts were collected may be used to purchase Portfolio Collateral in subsequent Due Periods in accordance with Section 11.3 hereof (until otherwise applied pursuant to this Section 11.1).

(f) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Section 11.1, upon the direction of the Servicer (and in the time and manner directed by the Servicer), Payment Date Equity Securities may be distributed on any Payment Date, in lieu of cash on any Payment Date as follows:

(i) Payment Date Equity Securities will be paid as Collateral Interest Collections in accordance with Section 11.1 with respect to the Preferred Shares, and upon such payment, the aggregate amount of Collateral Interest distributable to the Holders of the Preferred Shares on such Payment Date will be reduced by the value of such Payment Date Equity Securities. Payment Date Equity Securities distributed on any Payment Date shall be distributed to the Holders of the Preferred Shares in the same manner as Collateral Interest Collections would be distributable to such Holders of Preferred Shares on such Payment Date and subject to the same restriction as to payment set out in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement.

(ii) In calculating the amounts of Collateral Interest Collections and Collateral Principal Collections for such Payment Date, Collateral Interest in an amount equal to the value of Payment Date Equity Securities distributed to the Holders of the Preferred Shares shall be recharacterized as Collateral Principal Collections and disbursed in accordance with Sections 11.1(b) and 11.1(c) of the Indenture.

Section 11.2. [Mandatory Redemption With Respect to Overcollateralization Tests, Interest Coverage Test and Rating Confirmation Failure](#)

On any applicable Payment Date with respect to which an Overcollateralization Test or the Interest Coverage Test (as calculated in the Note Valuation Report for the Calculation Date immediately preceding such Payment Date), would not be met (but for this Section 11.2) or, during the Revolving Period, a Rating Confirmation Failure has occurred and is continuing, the Issuer shall redeem the Notes (or, in the case of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes, pay any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts and then redeem the Notes pursuant to Section 9.2 hereof), and the Trustee shall pay to the Holders thereof (to be applied against the principal amount thereof) pursuant to the applicable provisions of Section 11.1 hereof, an aggregate amount necessary to cause each of the Overcollateralization Tests to be met as of such Calculation Date, in the case of the Interest Coverage Test, to cause such test to have been met as of such Calculation Date had such redemption been made on the immediately preceding Payment Date or to cause a Rating Confirmation to be received by the Issuer, as applicable.

Section 11.3. [Purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral](#)

(a) The Issuer may purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral on any Business Day during the Revolving Period for inclusion in the Trust Estate in an amount permitted pursuant to the applicable subsection of Section 11.1 hereof subject to the conditions set forth in this Section 11.3. Upon receipt by the Trustee of a Servicer Order with respect thereto, Collateral Principal Collections (or Collateral Interest Collections deposited to the Collection Account pursuant to clause NINTH of Section 11.1(c)(i)), collected during a Due Period (other than Collateral Disposition Proceeds) may be paid out of the Collection Account by the Trustee on any Business Day during such Due Period or the immediately succeeding Due Period for the purpose of purchasing such Additional Portfolio Collateral specified in such Servicer Order; *provided that* as of such date the following conditions shall have been satisfied:

(i) the Balance of the Collection Account remaining after giving effect to any such purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral shall equal or exceed the Periodic Reserve Amount with respect to the Payment Date relating to such Due Period as shown on the Note Valuation Report for the prior Payment Date;

(ii) (1) each Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test are satisfied and (2) the Collateral Quality Tests and the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 hereof are satisfied or if any of the Collateral Quality Tests or the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 is not satisfied, the degree of compliance with such criteria would not be diminished; *provided however*, with respect to Additional Portfolio Collateral purchased with Unscheduled Principal Proceeds, if any of the Overcollateralization Tests or the Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied as set forth in clause (1), the degree of compliance with such tests would not be diminished;

(iii) the Trustee shall have received (i) a certificate of the Servicer dated as of the date of the purchase and the Grant of such Additional Portfolio Collateral to the effect that such purchase is in compliance with the requirements of this Section 11.3 and Section 12.5(a) hereof and (ii) the certificate required pursuant to Section 12.2 hereof.

(b) For purposes of calculating the Collections for this Section 11.3 (and the Balance in the Collection Account for purposes of subsection (a) hereof), Collections shall be deemed to include, as of any date of determination, the sum of 100% of all cash collections actually received in respect of the Portfolio Collateral during such Due Period as of such date of determination and 100% of all Scheduled Distributions to be received (including those which are reasonably expected to be received) in respect of the Portfolio Collateral during such Due Period (excluding, however, any Scheduled Distributions to be received with respect to an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral or an item of Equity Portfolio Collateral during such Due Period).

#### Section 11.4. [Trust Account](#)

All monies held by the Trustee in the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Closing Expense Account, the Loan Funding Account or the Expense Reimbursement Account pursuant to the provisions of this Indenture, and not used to purchase Portfolio Collateral or Eligible Investments as herein provided, shall be deposited in one or more trust accounts, established in the name of the Trustee, as trustee of the trust created pursuant hereto for the benefit of the Holders of Notes and other Secured Parties hereunder; *provided that* to the extent funds deposited in such accounts exceed the amounts insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, such excess shall be used to purchase Eligible Investments (pursuant to and as provided in Section 10.2 hereof). All monies held in the trust accounts described in the first sentence of this Section 11.4 shall be held as part of the Trust Estate subject to the provisions of this Indenture.



## ARTICLE XII

### SALE OF PORTFOLIO COLLATERAL; SUBSTITUTION

#### Section 12.1. Sale of Portfolio Collateral

(a) Provided that no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing and subject to the satisfaction of the conditions specified in Section 10.3 hereof and the restrictions in this Article, the Servicer may direct the Trustee, by Servicer Order, to sell, and the Trustee shall release (or cause to be released) from the lien of this Indenture and sell in the manner directed by the Servicer, any Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, Equity Portfolio Collateral, Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral or Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral (as described in such direction) so long as, with respect to an item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral or Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, the Servicer certifies to the Trustee, as applicable, that:

(i) in the case of an item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral (including in connection with a Portfolio Improvement Exchange), in writing before the sale, that the Servicer has identified one or more specific manners in which it will be able, in compliance with the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 and the other requirements of Article XII (and in connection with a Portfolio Improvement Exchange, the requirements set forth in the definition of such term), to cause the Issuer to purchase with the applicable Collateral Disposition Proceeds net of accrued interest and costs, no later than the end of the immediately succeeding Due Period (it being understood that such identification shall not be considered either a requirement or an assurance that any specified purchase will be consummated), one or more items of Substitute Portfolio Collateral having an Aggregate Principal Balance equal to or greater than the Principal Balance of such Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral; and

(ii) in the case of an item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, after giving effect to such sale and the subsequent purchase described in (a) above, the Servicer is required to certify that it reasonably believes that (x) either the Collateral Quality Tests and the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 hereof are satisfied or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests or criteria is not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith would not be diminished and (y) either the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test are satisfied or if any Overcollateralization Test or the Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, the degree of compliance with such tests would not be diminished.

(b) An item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral may be sold at any time, subject to the Sale Restriction Condition as set forth below.

(c) Notwithstanding any term hereof to the contrary and *provided that* no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing and subject to compliance with the conditions specified in Section 10.3 hereof, any Portfolio Collateral may be sold upon delivery to the Trustee of a certificate of the Servicer to the effect that it has reasonably determined, which may be based upon the advice of an opinion of counsel (a copy of which opinion shall be included with such certificate), that such Portfolio Collateral is, or may become, subject to a withholding or other similar tax (or to an increased rate of withholding or other similar tax). Further, notwithstanding

anything to the contrary stated herein, the Servicer may direct the sale of an item of Portfolio Collateral that was CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral or Discount Portfolio Collateral at the time of purchase only if it constitutes Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral or Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, is sold in connection with the Optional Redemption of Notes in whole or if the Servicer reasonably expects that the sale and any related purchase of Substitute Portfolio Collateral will restore compliance with any of the Interest Coverage Test, the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 or the Overcollateralization Tests that would be failed or not satisfied in the absence of such sale and purchase.

(d) During any period after the first Due Period if a Sale Restriction Condition occurs, the Issuer shall send a notice to the Trustee and the Holders of the Notes to the effect that, for so long as the applicable Sale Restriction Condition exists, unless the Holders of at least 60% in Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes elect to retain the guidelines in effect on the Closing Date for sales of an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral or Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, as applicable, (i) no item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral may be sold unless (A) the rating of the obligor or of any debt or securities issued by the obligor under such an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral has been lowered, withdrawn or put on any "credit watch" list for possible downgrade (or similar list) with negative implications by S&P, Moody's or Fitch or (B) such an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral satisfies the Credit Risk Criteria and is not objected to by the Holders of more than 60% in Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes within forty-five (45) days of the date of such notice, or such later date as extended by the Trustee at the direction of the Servicer *provided* that in making such determination to sell an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral may only be used as corroboration of other bases for such determination or (ii) no item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral may be sold unless such item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral satisfies the Credit Improved Criteria and is not objected to by the Holders of more than 60% in Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes within forty-five (45) days of the date of such notice, or such later date as extended by the Trustee at the direction of the Servicer *provided*, that in making such determination to sell such item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, a reduction in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral may only be utilized as corroboration or other bases for such judgment.

(e) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth above, the Servicer may at any time direct the Trustee to sell any item of Portfolio Collateral that (i) was obtained as a result of any reorganization or restructuring of any Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral or other Portfolio Collateral of an issuer under financial distress, or (ii) does not comply with the criteria set forth in Section 12.2.

Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, no acquisition or disposition of Portfolio Collateral or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) shall be effected by or on behalf of the Issuer for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes.

Notwithstanding the forgoing, if there is no appointment of a successor Servicer with 90 days after the resignation or termination of the Servicer, any sales or disposition of Portfolio Collateral shall be limited to Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral and Defaulted Portfolio

Collateral and Equity Portfolio Collateral; *provided* that such restriction on the sale or disposition of Portfolio Collateral shall not apply if the Portfolio Collateral is being liquidated in whole or in part in connection with an acceleration or early termination of the Notes.

Section 12.2. Eligibility Criteria and Replacement Restrictions

Subject to Section 3.4 (with respect to Original Portfolio Collateral) in connection with dates occurring prior to the Effective Date, a security to be Granted to the Trustee after the Closing Date for inclusion in the Trust Estate as an item of Portfolio Collateral will be eligible for purchase by the Issuer and inclusion in the Trust Estate only if, as of the date of such Grant of such security the following conditions are met, as certified to the Trustee by Servicer Order, the Overcollateralization Tests, the Interest Coverage Test and the criteria set forth below in this Section 12.2 hereof are satisfied or if one of such tests or criteria is not satisfied, the degree of compliance with such tests or criteria would not be diminished except as otherwise required by Sections 11.3 and 12.4. In addition, if a Suspension Trigger Event is in effect, a majority of the Controlling Class may deliver notice to the Issuer directing the Issuer to suspend any purchases of additional items for inclusion in the Trust Estate as an item of Portfolio Collateral. Such suspension shall automatically terminate once a Suspension Trigger Event is no longer in effect.

(a) Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor. The Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor Test is satisfied. For purposes of the Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor Test, the "Standard & Poor's Rating" of any item of Portfolio Collateral or Eligible Investment shall be as set forth in Schedule D hereto. The Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor Test is not applicable and does not have to be satisfied or maintained when reinvesting the proceeds of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral or Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral.

(b) Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test. The Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test is satisfied.

(c) Moody's Asset Correlation Test and Moody's Weighted Average Rating Test. The Moody's Asset Correlation Test and the Moody's Weighted Average Rating Test are satisfied.

(d) Weighted Average Coupon Test; Weighted Average Margin Test; Weighted Average Life Requirement.

- (i) The Weighted Average Coupon Test is satisfied.
- (ii) The Weighted Average Margin Test is satisfied.
- (iii) The Weighted Average Life Requirement is satisfied.

(e) Limitation on Non-U.S. Debt. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of such Portfolio Collateral:

- (i) not more than 10% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligors;

(ii) not more than 10% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligors in any single Group A Country;

(iii) not more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligors in all Group B Countries;

(iv) not more than 2% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligors in any single Group B Country;

(v) not more than 2.5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligors in all jurisdictions that are not Group A Countries or Group B Countries;

(vi) not more than 1% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligors in any single jurisdiction that is not a Group A Country or Group B Country; and

(vii) no Portfolio Collateral may consist of CLO Securities that are obligations of Non-U.S. Obligors.

(f) Rating. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral: (i) at least 90% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate must be obligations of issuers having at least one class of indebtedness actually rated by Moody's (either publicly or privately) and (ii) at least 90% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate must be obligations of issuers having at least one class of indebtedness actually rated by S&P (either publicly or privately).

(g) CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral Limitation. The proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral may not increase the Aggregate Principal Amount of CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate to more than 5.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount; *provided* that the Issuer may purchase CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral which would increase the Aggregate Principal Amount of CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate above 5.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount with the proceeds of CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral; and *provided further* that no CLO Securities may be included in the determination of this CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral Limitation.

(h) Limitation on CLO Securities. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, (i) not more than 30% of the Aggregate Par Amount may be CLO Securities; (ii) not more than 10% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of CLO Securities that have a Moody's Rating below "Baa3" or an S&P Rating below "BBB-"; *provided* that not more than 2.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of a single CLO Security with such ratings; (iii) not more than 4.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of CLO Securities of a single manager which shall not be any of the Servicer Entities, and (iv) not more than 5.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of CLO Securities managed by any of the Servicer Entities; *provided* that not more than 1.5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of CLO

Securities of a single issuer serviced or managed by the Servicer, and *provided further*, that no CLO Securities may be purchased after August 1, 2009 and after the expiration of the Revolving Period, unless an Extension shall occur in which case CLO Securities may be purchased during the full period of such Extension in accordance with all the criteria and restrictions provided herein that are applicable during the Revolving Period.

(i) Limitation on Semiannual Portfolio Collateral. After the Effective Date, after giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, no more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may include items of Portfolio Collateral that provide for the periodic payment in cash of interest less frequently than quarterly, but not less frequently than semiannually.

(j) Limitation on Participations, Synthetic Securities and Non-U.S. Portfolio Loans. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Substitute Portfolio Collateral or Additional Portfolio Collateral, no more than 20% of the Aggregate Par Amount may be Participations, Synthetic Securities, Securities Lending Agreements or Portfolio Loans that are obligations of non-U.S. entities which are not in a Group A Country. Further, no Participation may be purchased from any Selling Institution (including for this purpose the seller of any participation and the seller of any sub-participation) rated below "A" by S&P or "A2" by Moody's. In addition, the table below generally describes limitations on (i) the percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount which consist of Synthetic Securities related to the long-term debt rating of the Synthetic Security Counterparty, (ii) the percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount which consists of Participations related to the long-term debt rating of the related Selling Institution, and (iii) the limitations on the percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount which consists of Participations and Synthetic Securities in the aggregate related to the long-term debt rating of the Selling Institution or Synthetic Security Counterparty, as the case may be:

Rating (S&P/Moody's)	Individual Synthetic Security Counterparty Limit	Individual Participation Selling Institution Limit	Aggregate Synthetic Security Counterparty and Participation Selling Institution Limit
AAA/Aaa	20.0%	20.0%	20.0%
AA+/Aa1	10.0%	10.0%	20.0%
AA/Aa2	10.0%	10.0%	17.5%
AA-/Aa3	10.0%	10.0%	15.0%
A+/A1	5.0%	5.0%	10.0%
A/A2	5.0%	5.0%	7.5%

*provided*, that no more than 3% of the Aggregate Par Amount may be Synthetic Securities consisting of Default Swaps. For purposes of the foregoing, the limitations shall be calculated separately for each of Standard & Poor's and Moody's and each such limitation must be satisfied.

(k) Limitation on Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral. No more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may be Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral.

(l) Portfolio Loans. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, (i) at least 70% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate must be Portfolio Loans (including Synthetic Securities, the

Reference Obligations of which are loans); and (ii) not more than 10% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate may be Portfolio Loans that are not Senior Secured Loans (including Synthetic Securities, the Reference Obligations of which are loans).

(m) No Event of Default. No Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing.

(n) Industry Category Concentration. (i) No more than 8% of the Aggregate Par Amount is in any one Standard & Poor's Industry Category; *provided however*, in the case of three (3) Standard & Poor's Industry Categories, up to 12% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Collateral that are obligations of obligors in any one Standard & Poor's Industry Category, and (ii) no more than 32% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Collateral that are obligations of obligors in any three Standard & Poor's Industry Categories.

(o) Original Issue Size. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, at least 80% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate will be Portfolio Loans that are part of a senior credit facility whose aggregate original principal amount (whether or not funded and including all tranches thereunder) is not less than U.S.\$100,000,000. No item of Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate will be CLO Securities that are part of an issuer's aggregate issuance whose aggregate original principal amount (including all tranches thereunder) is less than U.S.\$100,000,000. No item of Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate will be Portfolio Loans that are part of a senior credit facility whose aggregate original principal amount (whether or not funded and including all tranches thereunder) is less than \$50,000,000.

(p) Issuer Concentration. (i) After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Loan, no more than 1.50% of the Aggregate Par Amount may represent obligations of any single obligor, *provided* that obligations of not more than five obligors of Portfolio Loans may represent no more than 2.00% of the Aggregate Par Amount and (ii) after giving effect to the proposed purchase of any CLO Security, no more than 2.75% of the Aggregate Par Amount may represent obligations of any single obligor.

(q) Limitations on Step-Up Bonds. No more than 5.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount may include step-up bonds.

(r) Delayed Drawdown Loans and Revolving Loans. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, no more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of Delayed Drawdown Loans and no more than 7.5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of Revolving Loans; *provided* that no more than 10% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of Delayed Drawdown Loans and Revolving Loans in the aggregate.

(s) DIP Loans. No more than 5.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of DIP Loans. Each DIP Loan must be assigned a formal or estimated rating by Moody's and S&P.

(t) Collateral Obligations Loaned under Securities Lending Agreements. No more than 15% of the Aggregate Par Amount may include Portfolio Collateral subject to any Securities Lending Agreement pursuant to Section 7.19.

(u) PIK Bonds. No more than 30% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of PIK Bonds.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Section 12.2, if the Portfolio Collateral to be purchased is to be purchased with the Collateral Disposition Proceeds of the disposition of one or more assets that is not an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, Portfolio Collateral sold pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange or Portfolio Collateral that has become subject to withholding tax, the purchase of the proposed item of Portfolio Collateral must (i) restore compliance with a Collateral Quality Test, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test or a concentration limitation set forth in this Section 12.2 (or bring the Portfolio Collateral closer to compliance with any such test or limitation) not then satisfied or (ii) on a net basis improve the quality of the Portfolio Collateral as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests and concentration limitations and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and clause (ii) without causing any other Collateral Quality Test, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test or concentration limitation to be violated or significantly increasing the likelihood of such a violation in the future.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 12.2 and Section 11.3, if the Issuer or the Servicer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase an item of Portfolio Collateral to be included in the Trust Estate and at the time of such commitment such item of Portfolio Collateral complied with the definition of Portfolio Collateral and each of the foregoing criteria in this Section 12.2, then the Issuer may consummate the purchase of such item of Portfolio Collateral notwithstanding that such item of Portfolio Collateral fails to comply with the definition of Portfolio Collateral and such criteria on the date of settlement, *provided that* the agreed to settlement date shall not be more than thirty (30) days after the commitment to acquire such item of Portfolio Collateral or, if settlement occurs more than 30 days following the commitment, such item of Portfolio Collateral satisfies the criteria of this Section 12.2 as of the date of settlement.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 12.2 and Section 11.3, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have purchased or sold (as the case may be) any Portfolio Collateral as of the date on which the Issuer delivers to the Trustee a commitment to purchase or sell (as the case may be) such items of Portfolio Collateral, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to receive or sell (as the case may be), and requiring the purchaser to purchase (in the case of a sale), such Portfolio Collateral and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have purchased or sold (as the case may be) such Portfolio Collateral on such date. Under the circumstances described in the immediately preceding sentence, if the transaction contemplated by the commitment referred to therein does not settle on or before the thirtieth (30th) day following the scheduled settlement date, the deemed purchase or sale shall be deemed not to have occurred.

Further, notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 12.2 and Section 11.3, any certifications or other documents required to be delivered by the Servicer or the Issuer in connection with the purchase or sale of any item of Portfolio Collateral during the Revolving Period may be delivered by the Issuer or the Servicer on the settlement date for such item of Portfolio Collateral even if such date occurs after the Revolving Period.

#### Section 12.3. Sale of Portfolio Collateral Subject to Offer or Call

(a) The Servicer may only direct the Trustee to sell an item of Portfolio Collateral that is the subject of an Offer or call for redemption, if together with its direction to sell such security, the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that the sales price for such Security is equal to or greater than 1% less than the price available pursuant to such Offer or call and such sale will be treated as if the Offer or call were consummated for purposes of determining the Collections for the Due Period relating to the date on which such sale occurs.

(b) If an item of Portfolio Collateral becomes subject to an Exchange Offer after it has been purchased by the Issuer, the Servicer will be permitted to take such action with respect to the Underlying Instrument or the issuer thereof as may be required to convert such item of Portfolio Collateral into an item of Equity Portfolio Collateral.

#### Section 12.4. Purchase of Substitute Portfolio Collateral

(a) Upon receipt by the Trustee of a Servicer Order with respect thereto, the Collateral Disposition Proceeds received during any Due Period during the Revolving Period may be paid out of the Collection Account, on any Business Day during such Due Period or the immediately succeeding Due Period, for the purpose of purchasing one or more items of Substitute Portfolio Collateral for inclusion in the Trust Estate in an amount not to exceed the amount of such proceeds and specified in such Servicer Order; *provided that* the Trustee shall have received (i) a certificate of the Servicer dated as of the date of the purchase and the Grant of such Substitute Portfolio Collateral to the effect that such purchase is in compliance with the requirements of this Section 12.4 and Section 12.5(a) hereof and (ii) the certificate required pursuant to Section 12.2 hereof.

(b) In addition to the requirements set forth in 12.4(a), in connection with Substitute Portfolio Collateral purchased with Collateral Disposition Proceeds from the sale of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, each of the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test are satisfied, in each case both before and after giving effect to such purchase.

(c) In connection with a sale of an item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral after the Revolving Period or the receipt of Collateral Principal Collections due to an unscheduled prepayment after the Revolving Period, the Servicer may enter into commitments to apply such Collateral Disposition Proceeds or such unscheduled prepayments (net of accrued interest and costs) to the purchase of Portfolio Loans as either Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral having an Aggregate Principal Amount equal to or greater than the Principal Balance of the original item of Portfolio Collateral within 90 days of receipt of such proceeds, so long as the Servicer certifies as of the date of purchase that it reasonably believes at the time of such commitment that, after giving effect to such sale and subsequent purchase, (A)



each of the Overcollateralization Tests and the other collateral criteria described herein would be satisfied and the Interest Coverage Test was satisfied for the most recent Payment Date, (B) such Portfolio Loan to be purchased has a Moody's Rating equal to or higher than the Moody's Rating of the original item of Portfolio Collateral, (C) such Portfolio Loan to be purchased has an S&P Rating equal to or higher than the S&P Rating of the original item of Portfolio Collateral, (D) such Portfolio Loan to be purchased has a stated maturity on or prior to the final maturity of such original item of Portfolio Collateral and (E) neither Rating Agency has reduced or withdrawn (and not restored) the rating assigned by it on the Closing Date to any Class of Notes.

Section 12.5. Conditions Applicable to all Transactions Involving Purchases of Portfolio Collateral

(a) Any transaction effected under this Article or under Sections 3.4, 10.2, 10.3, 11.3 or 12.4 hereof involving the Servicer and one or more Affiliates of the Servicer shall be conducted on an arm's-length basis. Any such transaction effected with an Affiliate of the Servicer, the Issuer or the Trustee, shall be effected on terms as favorable to the Noteholders as would be the case if such Person were not so affiliated; *provided that* the Trustee shall have no responsibility to oversee compliance with this clause by the Issuer or Servicer.

(b) Upon any purchase or substitution pursuant to this Article or Sections 11.3, 12.3(b) or 12.4 hereof, each such Pledged Security shall be Delivered to the Trustee.

(c) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants and will certify to the Trustee in an Officer's Certificate as of the date of each purchase and Grant to the Trustee of each Portfolio Collateral pursuant to Section 11.3, Section 12.3(b) and Section 12.4 hereof:

(i) the Issuer is the owner of such item of Portfolio Collateral and the Deposit free and clear of any liens, claims (including any adverse claims) or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever, except for those granted or expressly permitted pursuant to this Indenture and due bills, if any, with respect to interest, or a portion thereof, accrued on such Portfolio Collateral prior to the first payment date and owed by the Issuer to the seller of such Portfolio Collateral;

(ii) the Issuer has acquired its ownership in such item of Portfolio Collateral and the Deposit in good faith without notice of any adverse claim, except as described in paragraph (i) above;

(iii) the Issuer has Delivered such item of Portfolio Collateral to the Trustee and has not assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered any interest in such Portfolio Collateral or the Deposit other than interests granted or expressly permitted pursuant to this Indenture;

(iv) the Issuer has full right to Grant and does hereby Grant such item of Portfolio Collateral and the Deposit to the Trustee;

(v) the information set forth with respect to such item of Portfolio Collateral in Schedule A hereto is correct; and

(vi) such item of Portfolio Collateral satisfies the requirements of the definition of Portfolio Collateral.

#### Section 12.6. [Sale of Warrants](#)

The Servicer may direct the Trustee in writing to sell, and the Trustee shall release from the lien of this Indenture and sell in the manner directed by the Servicer, any warrant that is part of a Unit at any time after such warrant becomes separately tradable.

#### Section 12.7. [Underlying Instruments](#)

(a) With respect to each Portfolio Loan acquired by a Participation, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to hold at its office in the State of New York an original executed Underlying Instrument entered into between the Issuer and the Selling Institution which, except in the case of a Portfolio Loan evidenced by an instrument (the original of which shall be delivered to the Trustee), may be a copy thereof, which may be sent by telecopier, certified by the Servicer or the Issuer as a true and accurate copy (which in the case of a Participation shall include the loan and security documentation with respect to the underlying loan) as provided to it by the Servicer, and, *provided that* the Trustee has sufficient advance notice of such transaction, the Trustee shall send a notice to the Selling Institution and the underlying obligor of such Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral on or prior to the Business Day on which such Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral is to be included in the Trust Estate.

(b) The Issuer (upon Servicer Order) may enter into any amendment of or supplement to any Underlying Instrument with respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral, without notice to or consent of any Noteholder, but with prior written notice to the Trustee, if the amendment or supplement is required (a) by the provisions of the Underlying Instrument or this Indenture, (b) to cure any ambiguity, inconsistency or formal defect or omission, (c) in connection with any authorized amendment of or supplement to this Indenture, or (d) to make any other change deemed necessary or beneficial by the Issuer (upon Servicer Order); *provided that*, unless such Portfolio Loan is in default, or default is reasonably foreseeable, after giving effect to such amendment or supplement, such item of Portfolio Collateral satisfies the definition of Portfolio Collateral hereunder. The Issuer shall be under no obligation to enter into any such amendment or supplement, and the Servicer and the Issuer shall be under no obligation to provide any Person with any information related thereto (other than to confirm to the Trustee compliance with this Section), to the extent that the Servicer or the Issuer, as the case may be, believes in good faith that any action so taken is necessary in order not to violate any law, regulation or contractual arrangement. The Servicer shall retain any appropriate records of such amendments.

(c) If an amendment of or supplement to any Underlying Instrument without any consent of Noteholders is not permitted by subsection (b), the Issuer may enter into, and the Trustee shall, as directed by the Issuer, accept, or if necessary consent to, such amendment or supplement, with at least 10 days' prior written notice to the Trustee and the Holders of the Notes, unless the Trustee and the Issuer have received notification by the more than 33-1/3% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes objecting to such amendment or supplement within 10 days of such notice.

(d) If the Servicer determines that any amendment to the Underlying Instrument of a DIP Loan materially affects the credit quality of such DIP Loan, the Servicer shall promptly notify the Rating Agencies of such amendment, prior to execution of such amendment.

Section 12.8. [Reserved](#)

Section 12.9. [Reserved](#)

Section 12.10. [Synthetic Securities; Strip Securities](#)

For purposes of the eligibility criteria and related tests herein, a Synthetic Security will generally be included as an item of Portfolio Collateral having the maturity, interest rate and other payment characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the Reference Obligation (including characterization as either an item of Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral or Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral) and, with respect to all other characteristics, will be included as an item of Portfolio Collateral having the relevant characteristics of the related Reference Obligation and not of the Synthetic Security. The Servicer will notify Moody's and Standard & Poor's in writing or electronically with respect to each purchase of a Synthetic Security not later than the trade date for such Synthetic Security; except that, if, at any time, the rating by Moody's on any Class of Notes then rated by Moody's has been downgraded at least one rating sub-category (and has not been restored) or is put on credit watch (with negative implications), no Synthetic Security will be purchased by the Issuer for inclusion in the Trust Estate unless Moody's has received notice of such purchase and any information necessary to evaluate such purchase, receipt of which shall be acknowledged by a Vice President or more senior member of Moody's CDO Group, in writing or electronically, and after such receipt is acknowledged, either Moody's shall inform the Servicer that such purchase will not cause Moody's to withdraw or further downgrade any of the then-current ratings assigned by Moody's to any of the Notes within 10 Business Days, or after 10 Business Days the Servicer may assume that such purchase will not cause Moody's to withdraw or further downgrade any of the then-current ratings assigned by Moody's to any of the Notes. If after the trade date for any Synthetic Security, there is any modification to the terms of such Synthetic Security, the Servicer will provide notice of such modification to Moody's and Standard & Poor's. Further, unless otherwise agreed by Moody's or as otherwise contemplated in the definition of Synthetic Security in Section 1.1 hereof, upon maturity, acceleration or early termination of a Synthetic Security or the related Reference Obligation, the Issuer will accept only the Reference Obligation or the par amount thereof unless the Reference Obligation would be characterized as Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, Defaulted Portfolio Collateral or Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, in which case the Issuer may accept the current fair market value thereof, except in the event of the exercise of any put or call provision of the Synthetic Security or Reference Obligation, in which case the Issuer shall only accept the Reference Obligation or an amount greater than or equal to the par amount thereof, and the Issuer will take all commercially reasonable actions under the Synthetic Security to accomplish the foregoing. Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, in connection with the acquisition of a Synthetic Security and in lieu of all or a portion of the purchase price for such Synthetic Security, the Issuer may grant the related Synthetic Security a first priority security interest in cash and Eligible Investments designated by the Issuer and the proceeds thereof, which may be released from the lien of the Indenture and deposited with such Synthetic Security Obligor (or an intermediary or agent therefor) and invested as provided by the

terms of such Synthetic Security, and the proceeds of which may be applied to make periodic payments under such Synthetic Security. For purposes of this Indenture, the grant of such security interest shall be treated as the payment of a purchase price equal to the value of the cash and Eligible Investments granted, and the Issuer's obligation to make periodic payments under such Synthetic Security shall be disregarded.

#### Section 12.11. [Delayed Drawdown Loans and Revolving Loans](#)

A Delayed Drawdown Loan will not be eligible for purchase by the Issuer for inclusion in the Trust Estate unless the related Underlying Instrument provides (i) that advances may be made for a period not to exceed one (1) year from the date of origination of the Delayed Drawdown Loan and in any event before the end of the Revolving Period; (ii) for a maximum amount that can be borrowed from the Issuer on one or more specified borrowing dates; (iii) that funds borrowed from the Issuer and subsequently repaid may not be reborrowed; and (iv) that the borrower is entitled to such additional advances only upon the achievement of financial performance or other objective criteria established at origination and set forth in such credit agreement.

In addition, simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of any Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan, the Issuer is required to deposit into the Loan Funding Account the full amount of any advances or delayed draws that may be required of the Issuer thereunder and principal repaid under any Revolving Loan is required to be deposited in the Loan Funding Account to the extent the Issuer's obligation to fund any future advances has not been irrevocably reduced.

### ARTICLE XIII

#### MISCELLANEOUS

#### Section 13.1. [Form of Documents Delivered to Trustee](#)

In any case where several matters are required to be certified by, or covered by an opinion of, any specified Person, it is not necessary that all such matters be certified by, or covered by the opinion of, only one such Person, or that they be so certified or covered by only one document, but one such Person may certify or give an opinion with respect to some matters and one or more other such Persons as to other matters, and any such Person may certify or give an opinion as to such matters in one or several documents.

Any certificate or opinion of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or the Servicer may be based, insofar as it relates to legal matters, upon an Opinion of Counsel or a certificate of or representations by such legal counsel, unless such Authorized Officer knows, or in the exercise of reasonable care should know, that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to the matters upon which his certificate or opinion is based are erroneous. Any such certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or the Servicer, or Opinion of Counsel or certificate of or representations by such legal counsel may be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate of opinion of, or representations by the Issuer, the Servicer or any other Person, stating that the information with respect to such factual matters is in the

possession of the Issuer, the Servicer or such other Person, unless such Authorized Officer of the Issuer or the Servicer or counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to such matters are erroneous. Any Opinion of Counsel may also be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or the Servicer, stating that the information with respect to such matters is in the possession of the Issuer or the Servicer, unless such counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to such matters are erroneous.

Where any Person is required to make, give or execute two or more applications, requests, consents, certificates, statements, opinions or other instruments under this Indenture, they may, but need not, be consolidated and form one instrument.

### Section 13.2. [Acts of Noteholders](#)

(a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or taken by Noteholders may be embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments (which may be an electronic document, including but not limited to in the form of e-mail, to the extent permitted by applicable law) of substantially similar tenor signed by such Noteholders in person or by an agent or proxy duly appointed in writing (*provided* that no signature shall be required on electronic documents, including but not limited to in the form of e-mail); and, except as herein otherwise expressly provided, such action shall become effective when such instrument or instruments are delivered to the Trustee, and, where it is hereby expressly required, to the Issuer. Proof of execution of any such instrument or of a writing appointing any such agent shall be sufficient for any purpose of this Indenture and conclusive in favor of the Trustee and the Issuer, if made in the manner provided in this Section.

(b) The fact and date of the execution by any Person of any such instrument or writing may be proved in any manner which the Trustee deems sufficient.

(c) The ownership of Notes shall be proved by the Note Register.

(d) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action by the Holder of any Notes shall bind the Holder (and any transferee thereof) of every Note issued upon the registration thereof or in exchange therefor or in lieu thereof, in respect of anything done, omitted or suffered to be done by the Trustee or the Issuer in reliance thereon, whether or not notation of such action is made upon such Note.

### Section 13.3. [Notices, etc., to the Trustee, Issuer, Servicer, the Irish Paying Agent and Bear Stearns](#)

Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other documents provided or permitted by this Indenture to be made upon, given or furnished to, or filed with the Trustee, the Issuer, the Servicer, Bear Stearns, the Irish Paying Agent or the Paying and Transfer Agent shall be sufficient for every purpose hereunder if in writing and mailed by first class mail, sent by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery or sent by facsimile transmission in legible form to the Trustee, the Issuer, the Servicer or Bear Stearns, as applicable, at the following addresses:

(1) to the Trustee at its Corporate Trust Office or at any other address furnished in writing to the Issuer or the Noteholders by the Trustee (any request, direction, notice or other communication from the Servicer to the Trustee under Article XII hereof (other than required certification) may be by electronic mail, which shall be deemed to be in writing);

(2) to the Issuer at the offices of Maples Finance Limited, P.O. Box 1093 GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, Attention: Directors, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Trustee by the Issuer;

(3) to the Co-Issuer at c/o Donald J. Puglisi, 850 Library Avenue, Suite 204, City of Newark, County of New Castle, Delaware 19711, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Noteholders, the Trustee or the Issuer by the Co-Issuer;

(4) to the Servicer at the offices of Highland Capital Management, LP, Two Galleria Tower, 13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300, Dallas, Texas 75240, Attention: [\_\_\_\_\_], or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Noteholders, the Trustee or the Issuer by the Servicer;

(5) to Bear Stearns at the offices of Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., 383 Madison Avenue, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10179, Attention: CDO Group, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Trustee by Bear Stearns;

(6) to the Irish Paying Agent at the offices of 3 George's Dock, International Financial Services Centre, Dublin, Ireland or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Trustee by the Irish Paying Agent;

(7) to the Paying and Transfer Agent at the offices of JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, at the Trustee's Corporate Trust Office;

(8) to the Rating Agencies as described in Section 10.7 hereof;  
or

(9) to the Repository at CDO Library c/o The Bond Market Association, 360 Madison Avenue (18th Floor), New York, NY 10017, Electronic mail address: admin@cdolibrary.com or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Trustee by the operator of the Repository.

The Issuer hereby directs the Trustee and the Trustee agrees that, until it receives written notification from Ambac Assurance Corporation ("Ambac") or CIFG Services, Inc. ("CIFG"), as applicable, it shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, to Ambac and CIFG, at their respective addresses set forth below, a copy of each Monthly Report, Note Valuation Report, other report, accounting, request, demand, authorization, direction, order, notice, consent waiver or other action (each, a "Notice") delivered or required to be delivered to any Holder or any Rating Agency pursuant to this Indenture. Any Notice shall be delivered to Ambac at One State Street Plaza, New York, New York 10004; Attention Portfolio Risk Management, facsimile



(212) 208-3509, e-mail [sfcdsurv@ambac.com](mailto:sfcdsurv@ambac.com), or at any other address previously furnished to the Trustee by Ambac, not later than the first day on which such Notice is delivered to any Holder or Rating Agency. Any Notice shall be delivered to CIFG at 825 Third Avenue, 6th Floor, New York, New York 10022; Attention: Paul Kwiatkoski – Head of Surveillance, facsimile 212-909-3958, e-mail "[surveillance@cifg.com](mailto:surveillance@cifg.com)" and "[general.counsel@cifg.com](mailto:general.counsel@cifg.com)", or at any other address previously furnished to the Trustee by CIFG, not later than the first day on which such Notice is delivered to any Holder or Rating Agency. Any document required to be delivered or made available to Ambac or CIFG may be made available by providing Ambac or CIFG, respectively, with access to a website containing such report in a format that permits the user to download the document as a pdf file.

#### Section 13.4. [Notices to Noteholders; Waiver](#)

Where this Indenture provides for giving a copy of any report or notice to Noteholders (such report or notice a "notice") of any event, such notice shall be sufficiently given (unless otherwise herein expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, to each Noteholder affected by such event, at its address as it appears on the Note Register, not later than the latest date, and not earlier than the earliest date, prescribed for the giving of such notice and so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent. In any case where notice to Noteholders is given by mail, neither the failure to mail such notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Noteholder shall affect the sufficiency of such notice with respect to other Noteholders, and any notice which is mailed in the manner herein provided shall conclusively be presumed to have been duly given whether or not received. The Trustee shall provide notices directly to any beneficial holder of a Note that so identifies itself and requests receipt of such notices in writing to the Trustee.

Where this Indenture provides for notice in any manner, any such notice may be waived in writing by any Person entitled to receive such notice, either before or after the event, and such waiver shall be the equivalent of such notice. Waivers of notice by Noteholders shall be filed with the Trustee but such filing shall not be a condition precedent to the validity of any action taken in reliance upon such waiver.

In the event that, by reason of the suspension of the regular mail service as a result of a strike, work stoppage or similar activity it shall be impractical to mail notice of any event to Noteholders when such notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this Indenture, then any manner of giving such notice as shall be satisfactory to the Trustee shall be deemed to be a sufficient giving of such notice.

#### Section 13.5. [Effect of Headings and Table of Contents](#)

The Article and Section headings herein and the Table of Contents are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction hereof.

#### Section 13.6. [Successors and Assigns](#)

All covenants and agreements in this Indenture by the Co-Issuers shall bind its respective successors and assigns, whether so expressed or not.

Section 13.7. [Severability](#)

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

Section 13.8. [Benefits of Indenture](#)

Nothing in this Indenture or in the Notes, expressed or implied, shall give to any Person, other than the parties hereto and their successors hereunder, the Servicer and the Noteholders, any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under this Indenture.

The Servicer and its respective successors and assigns, shall each be third-party beneficiaries of the provisions of this Indenture, and shall be entitled to rely upon this Indenture and directly to enforce such provisions of this Indenture.

Section 13.9. [Reserved](#)

Section 13.10. [Governing Law; Submission to Jurisdiction; Waiver of Trial by Jury](#)

(a) This Indenture, each indenture supplemental hereto and each Note shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of New York applicable to agreements made and to be performed therein. The State of New York shall be the securities intermediary's jurisdiction of the Securities Intermediary for purposes of the UCC and the United States Regulations.

(b) Each of the Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably and unconditionally submits, for itself and its property, to the nonexclusive jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of the State of New York sitting in New York County and of the United States District Court of the Southern District of New York, and any appellate court from any thereof, in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Notes or this Indenture, or for recognition or enforcement of any judgment, and each of the Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably and unconditionally agrees that all claims in respect of any such action or proceeding may be heard and determined in such New York State or, to the extent permitted by law, in such Federal court. Each of the Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of such action or proceeding in any such court. Each of the Co-Issuers and the Trustee irrevocably consents to the service of any and all process in any action or proceeding by the mailing or delivery of copies of such process to it at the office of its agent set forth in Section 13.3. Each of the Co-Issuers and the Trustee agrees that a final judgment in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

(c) EACH OF THE PARTIES HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES ALL RIGHT TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY ACTION, PROCEEDING OR COUNTERCLAIM ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS INDENTURE, ANY OTHER TRANSACTION DOCUMENTS OR ANY INSTRUMENT OR DOCUMENT DELIVERED HEREUNDER OR THEREUNDER.



Section 13.11. [Counterparts](#)

This instrument may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which so executed shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

Section 13.12. [No Issuer Office Within the United States](#)

The Issuer (or the Servicer acting in the name or on behalf of the Issuer) shall not maintain an office located within the United States; *provided that* neither the performance by JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as appointed agent for the Issuer of the Issuer's obligation to prepare reports under or pursuant to Article X hereof (and other services rendered by JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, pursuant to the Collateral Administration Agreement as described in Section 10.5(f) hereof) at and through the offices of JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association in the United States nor the services rendered by the Servicer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement at its offices in the United States shall be a violation of this Section 13.12.

Section 13.13. [Subordination](#)

(a) Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, the Issuer and the Holders of the Notes agree:

(i) for the benefit of the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class X Notes and the Trustee that the Class A-1LB Notes, Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes and the Issuer's rights in and to the Trust Estate (with respect to the Class A-1LA Notes, the "[Senior Class A Subordinate Interests](#)") shall be subordinate and junior to the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class X Notes and the Trustee to the extent and in the manner set forth herein, including but not limited to payment of principal of, and interest on, the Senior Class A Subordinate Interests, and that the lien of the Trustee with respect to the Senior Class A Subordinate Interests is subordinate to any lien of the Trustee in favor of the holders of Class A-1LA Notes; and

(ii) for the benefit of the Holders of the Class A-1LB Notes and the Trustee that the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes and the Issuer's rights in and to the Trust Estate (with respect to the Class A-1LB Notes, the "[Class A-1LB Subordinate Interests](#)") shall be subordinate and junior to the Class A-1LB Notes and the Trustee to the extent and in the manner set forth herein, including but not limited to payment of principal of, and interest on, the Class A-1LB Subordinate Interests, and that the lien of the Trustee with respect to the Class A-1LB Subordinate Interests is subordinate to any lien of the Trustee in favor of the holders of Class A-1LB Notes

(iii) for the benefit of the Holders of the Class A-2L Notes and the Trustee that the Class A-3L Notes, the Class A-4L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes and the Issuer's rights in and to the Trust Estate (with respect to the Class A-2L Notes, the "[Class A-2L Subordinate Interests](#)") shall be subordinate and junior to the Class A-2L Notes and the Trustee to the extent and in the manner set forth herein, including but not limited to

payment of principal of, and interest on, the Class A-2L Subordinate Interests, and that the lien of the Trustee with respect to the Class A-2L Subordinate Interests is subordinate to any lien of the Trustee in favor of the holders of Class A-2L Notes; and

(iv) for the benefit of the Holders of the Class A-3L Notes and the Trustee that the Class A-4L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes and the Issuer's rights in and to the Trust Estate (with respect to the Class A-3L Notes, the "Class A-3L Subordinate Interests") shall be subordinate and junior to the Class A-3L Notes and the Trustee to the extent and in the manner set forth herein, including but not limited to payment of principal of the Class A-3L Subordinate Interests, and that the lien of the Trustee with respect to the Class A-3L Subordinate Interests is subordinate to any lien of the Trustee in favor of the holders of Class A-3L Notes.

(v) for the benefit of the Holders of the Class A-4L Notes and the Trustee that the Class B-1L Notes and the Issuer's rights in and to the Trust Estate (with respect to the Class A-4L Notes, the "Class A-4L Subordinate Interests") shall be subordinate and junior to the Class A-4L Notes and the Trustee to the extent and in the manner set forth herein, including but not limited to payment of principal of the Class A-4L Subordinate Interests, and that the lien of the Trustee with respect to the Class A-4L Subordinate Interests is subordinate to any lien of the Trustee in favor of the holders of Class A-4L Notes.

If any Event of Default has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs in accordance with Article V, the Notes shall be paid in the priority set forth in Section 11.1(d) hereof.

In addition to the foregoing:

(i) the Holders of the Class A-1LB Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class X Notes, not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer for failure to pay amounts due under the Class A-1LB Notes or hereunder until the payment in full of the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class X Notes

(ii) the Holders of the Class A-2L Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes and the Class X Notes, not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer for failure to pay amounts due under the Class A-2L Notes or hereunder until the payment in full of the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes and the Class X Notes;

(iii) the Holders of the Class A-3L Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Senior Class A Notes, not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer for failure to pay amounts due under the Class A-3L Notes or hereunder until the payment in full of the Senior Class A Notes; and

(iv) the Holders of the Class A-4L Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Senior Class A Notes and the Class A-3L Notes, not to cause the filing of a petition

in bankruptcy against the Issuer for failure to pay amounts due under the Class A-4L Notes or hereunder until the payment in full of the Senior Class A Notes; (iv)

(v) the Holders of the Class B-1L Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Class A Notes, not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer for failure to pay amounts due under the Class B-1L Notes or hereunder until the payment in full of the Class A Notes;

in each case, not before one year and one day, or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, have elapsed since such payment.

If notwithstanding the provisions of this Indenture, any Holder of the Class B-1L Notes shall have received any payment or distribution in respect of the Class B-1L Notes contrary to the provisions of this Indenture, then unless and until the Class A Notes shall have been paid in full in accordance with this Indenture, such payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall immediately be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, which shall pay and deliver the same to the Holders of the Class A Notes, in accordance with this Indenture.

(b) Each Holder of Class B-1L Notes agrees that such Holder shall not demand, accept, or receive any payment or distribution in respect of such Notes in violation of the provisions of this Indenture. Nothing in this Section shall affect the obligation of the Issuer to pay Holders of such Notes amounts owing in respect thereof.

(c) So long as any Class A Notes remain Outstanding to the extent it may lawfully do so, each Class B-1L Noteholder by its acceptance of a Class B-1L Note:

(i) agrees that it will not step up, plead, claim or in any manner whatsoever take advantage of, any appraisal, valuation, stay, extension or redemption laws, now or hereafter in force in any jurisdiction, which may delay, prevent or otherwise hinder (A) the performance, enforcement or foreclosure of this Indenture, (B) the sale of any of the Trust Estate, or (C) the putting of the purchaser or purchasers thereof into possession of such property immediately after the sale thereof;

(ii) waives all benefit or advantage of any such laws;

(iii) waives and releases all rights to have the Trust Estate marshaled upon any foreclosure, sale or other enforcement of this Indenture; and

(iv) consents and agrees that, subject to the terms of this Indenture, all the Collateral may at any such sale be sold by the Trustee as an entirety.

#### Section 13.14. [Survival of Provisions](#)

Notwithstanding the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture, the rights and obligations of either Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Noteholders and other secured parties hereunder under Sections 2.7(h), 2.10, 4.2, 5.19, 6.7, 6.13, 7.3, 7.6, 7.16, 11.1 and 13.15 hereof shall otherwise survive termination of the rights of the parties hereunder.

Section 13.15. [Liability of Co-Issuers.](#)

Notwithstanding any other terms of this Indenture, the Notes or any other agreement entered into between, inter alia, the Co-Issuers or otherwise, neither of the Co-Issuers shall have any liability whatsoever to the other Co-Issuer under this Indenture, the Notes, any such agreement or otherwise and, without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, neither of the Co-Issuers shall be entitled to take any steps to enforce, or bring any action or proceeding, in respect of this Indenture, the Notes, any such agreement or otherwise against the other Co-Issuer. In particular, neither of the Co-Issuers shall be entitled to petition or take any other steps for the winding up or bankruptcy of the other Co-Issuer or shall have any claim in respect of any assets of the other Co-Issuer.

Section 13.16. [Escheat.](#)

In the absence of a written request from the Co-Issuers to return unclaimed funds to the Co-Issuers, the Trustee shall from time to time deliver all unclaimed funds to or as directed by applicable escheat authorities, as determined by the Trustee in its sole discretion, in accordance with the customary practices and procedures of the Trustee. Any unclaimed funds held by the Trustee pursuant to this section shall be held uninvested and without any liability for interest.

Section 13.17. [Posting of Documents on Repository](#)

Any document or report required to be delivered to the Repository or to be made available to the operator of the Repository pursuant to this Indenture shall be made available by providing the operator of the Repository with access to a website containing such document or report in a format that permits the user to download the document as a pdf file.

Section 13.18. [Consent to Posting of Documents on Repository](#)

The Issuer hereby consents to (a) the posting of the offering circular related to the Notes and this Indenture and the periodic reports to be delivered pursuant to this Indenture and any amendments or other modifications thereto on the Repository for use in the manner provided in the Repository, and (b) the display of its name on the Repository in connection therewith.

## ARTICLE XIV

[ASSIGNMENT OF SERVICING AGREEMENT](#)Section 14.1. [Assignment of Servicing Agreement](#)

(a) The Issuer, in furtherance of the covenants of this Indenture and as security for the Notes and the performance and observance of the provisions hereof, hereby assigns, transfers, conveys and sets over to the Trustee, for the benefit of the Noteholders and the other secured parties hereunder, all of the Issuer's estate, right, title and interest in, to and under the Servicing Agreement, including, without limitation, (i) the right to give all notices, consents and releases thereunder, (ii) the right to give all notices of termination and to take any legal action upon the breach of an obligation of the Servicer thereunder, including the commencement,

conduct and consummation of proceedings at law or in equity, (iii) the right to receive all notices, accountings, consents, releases and statements thereunder and (iv) the right to do any and all other things whatsoever that the Issuer is or may be entitled to do thereunder; *provided* so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing hereunder, the Trustee hereby grants the Issuer a license to exercise all of the Issuer's rights pursuant to the Servicing Agreement without notice to or the consent of the Trustee (except as otherwise expressly required by this Indenture, including, without limitation, as set forth in paragraph (f) of this Section 14.1 hereof), which license shall be and is hereby deemed to be automatically revoked upon the occurrence of any Event of Default hereunder until such time, if any, as the Event of Default is cured or waived. The Trustee shall have no liability with respect to any act or failure to act by the Issuer under the Servicing Agreement (provided that this sentence shall not limit or relieve the Trustee from any responsibility it may have under this Indenture upon the occurrence of and during the continuance of any Event of Default).

(b) The assignment made hereby is executed as collateral security, and the execution and delivery hereby shall not in any way impair or diminish the obligations of the Issuer under the provisions of the Servicing Agreement, nor shall any of the obligations contained in the Servicing Agreement be imposed on the Trustee.

(c) Upon the retirement of the Notes and the release of the Trust Estate from the lien of this Indenture, this assignment and all rights herein assigned to the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders shall cease and terminate and all the estate, right, title and interest of the Trustee in, to and under the Servicing Agreement shall revert to the Issuer and no further instrument or act shall be necessary to evidence such termination and reversion.

(d) The Issuer represents that it has not executed any other assignment of the Servicing Agreement.

(e) The Issuer agrees that this assignment is irrevocable, and that it will not take any action which is inconsistent with this assignment or make any other assignment inconsistent herewith. The Issuer will, upon the request of the Trustee, execute all instruments of further assurance and all such supplemental instruments with respect to this assignment as the Trustee may specify.

(f) The Issuer hereby agrees, and hereby undertakes to obtain the agreement of the Servicer in the Servicing Agreement, to the following:

(1) The Servicer consents to, and agrees to perform, the provisions hereof applicable to the Servicer.

(2) The Servicer acknowledges that the Issuer is assigning all of its right, title and interest in, to and under the Servicing Agreement to the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders and the other Secured Parties hereunder.

(3) The Servicer shall deliver to the Trustee (at substantially the same time as delivered pursuant to the Servicing Agreement) duplicate original copies of all notices, statements, communications and instruments delivered or required to be delivered to the Issuer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement.


(4) Except as set forth in the Servicing Agreement, neither the Issuer nor the Servicer will enter into any agreement amending, modifying or terminating the Servicing Agreement or selecting or consenting to a successor manager (other than an amendment or modification of the type that may be made to this Indenture without Holder consent), (a) without satisfying the Rating Condition and (b) so long as the Requisite Holders have not objected in writing to such amendment or modification within 30 days of notice thereof; and any such amendment, modification, termination, selection or consent (in each case, other than pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement) without confirmation by the Rating Agencies or if the Requisite Holders have objected shall be void; *provided that* the consent of Requisite Noteholders or confirmation by Moody's and S&P shall not be required for an amendment or modification to cure any ambiguity, to correct or supplement any provisions therein, to comply with any changes in law, or to make any other provisions with respect to matters or questions arising under the Servicing Agreement which shall not be inconsistent with the provisions thereof or of this Indenture, so long as such amendment or modification does not affect in any material respects the interests of any Noteholder (as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel acceptable to the Trustee) and each of Moody's and S&P is notified in writing of such amendment or modification. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing in this subsection shall limit, in any way, any of the rights or remedies available to the Servicer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement.

(5) Except as set forth herein and in the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer shall continue to serve as Servicer under the Servicing Agreement notwithstanding that the Servicer shall not have received amounts due it under the Servicing Agreement because sufficient funds were not then available hereunder to pay such amounts in accordance with Article XI hereof, and agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer for any reason whatsoever, including without limitation the non-payment to the Servicer, until the payment in full of all Notes issued under this Indenture and the expiration of a period equal to one year and one day following all such payments; *provided that* nothing in this clause shall preclude, or be deemed to estop, the Servicer (A) from taking any action prior to the expiration of the aforementioned one year and one day period in (x) any case or proceeding voluntarily filed or commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, or (y) any involuntary insolvency proceeding filed or commenced against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, by a Person other than the Servicer or its Affiliates, or (B) from commencing against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any properties of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any legal action which is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation proceeding. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing in this subsection shall limit, in any way, any of the rights or remedies available to the Servicer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement.

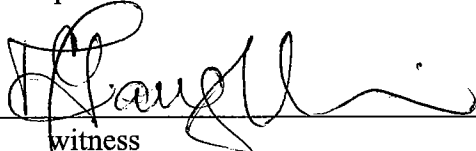
(6) The Servicer will perform its obligations with respect to any conflict of interest in accordance with the applicable requirements of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have set our hands as of the 10th day of May, 2006.

EXECUTED AS A DEED BY  
ROCKWALL CDO LTD., as Issuer

By:   
Name: Wendy Ebanks  
Title: Director

in the presence of:

  
witness

ROCKWALL CDO (DELAWARE) CORP., as Co-  
Issuer

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

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL  
ASSOCIATION, as Trustee

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

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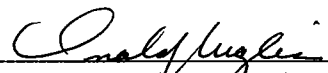
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witness

ROCKWALL CDO (DELAWARE) CORP., as Co-  
Issuer

By:   
Name: Donald J. Puglisi  
Title: President

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL  
ASSOCIATION, as Trustee

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

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have set our hands as of the 10th day of May, 2006.

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By: \_\_\_\_\_  
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ROCKWALL CDO (DELAWARE) CORP., as Co-  
Issuer


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

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL  
ASSOCIATION, as Trustee

By: Bruce C. Boyd  
Name: **BRUCE C. BOYD**  
Title: **VICE PRESIDENT**

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JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL  
ASSOCIATION, as Securities Intermediary

By:   
Name: **BRUCE C. BOYD**  
Title: **VICE PRESIDENT**

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**Schedule A**

**Initial Portfolio Collateral**

**Schedule B****Standard & Poor's Industry Classification****Corporate Obligations**

<b>Asset Code</b>	<b>Asset Description</b>	<b>LOCAL</b>	<b>REGIONAL</b>	<b>GLOBAL</b>
0	Zero Default Risk			X
1	Aerospace & Defense		X	
2	Air transport			X
3	Automotive			X
4	Beverage & Tobacco		X	
5	Radio & Television		X	
6	Brokers, Dealers & Investment houses	X		
7	Building & Development	X		
8	Business equipment & services		X	
9	Cable & satellite television		X	
10	Chemicals & plastics			X
11	Clothing/textiles		X	
12	Conglomerates			X
13	Containers & glass products		X	
14	Cosmetics/toiletries	X		
15	Drugs			X
16	Ecological services & equipment		X	
17	Electronics/electrical			X
18	Equipment leasing		X	
19	Farming/agriculture	X		
20	Financial intermediaries		X	
21	Food/drug retailers	X		
22	Food products		X	
23	Food service		X	
24	Forest products			X
25	Health care		X	
26	Home furnishings	X		
27	Lodging & casinos		X	
28	Industrial equipment		X	
29	Insurance	X		
30	Leisure goods/activities/movies	X		
31	Nonferrous metals/minerals			X
32	Oil & gas			X
33	Publishing	X		
34	Rail industries		X	
35	Retailers (except food & drug)	X		
36	Steel			X
37	Surface transport	X		

38	Telecommunications			X
39	Utilities		X	

## Corporate Structured Obligations

<b>Asset Code</b>	<b>Asset Description</b>	<b>LOCAL</b>	<b>REGIONAL</b>	<b>GLOBAL</b>
50	CDOs		X	

## Structured Obligations

<b>Asset Code</b>	<b>Asset Description</b>
51	ABS Consumer
52	ABS Commercial
53	CMBS Diversified (Conduit and CTL)
54	CMBS (Large Loan, Single Borrower, and Single Property)
55	REITs and REOCs
56	RMBS A
57	RMBS B&C, HELs, HELOCs, and Tax Lien
58	Manufactured Housing
59	U.S. Agency (Explicitly Guaranteed)
60	Monoline/FER Guaranteed
61	Non-FER Company Guaranteed
62	FFELP Student Loans (Over 70% FFELP)
63	CLO of SME's

**Schedule C****S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate**

With respect to the CLO Securities, if the Portfolio Collateral is a Synthetic Security, the S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate will be based on the Reference Obligation of such Synthetic Security.

With respect to the CLO Securities, if the Portfolio Collateral or Reference Obligation (other than an item of Portfolio Collateral guaranteed by a corporate guarantor or a monoline financial insurance company) is the senior-most tranche of securities issued by the issuer of such Portfolio Collateral:

<b><u>S&amp;P Rating of Assets *</u></b>	<b><u>S&amp;P Rating of Liabilities **</u></b>						
	<u>AAA</u>	<u>AA</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>BBB</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>CCC</u>
"AAA"	80.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
"AA-," "AA" or "AA+"	70.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
"A-," "A" or "A+"	60.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
"BBB-," "BBB" or "BBB+"	50.0%	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%

With respect to the CLO Securities, if the Portfolio Collateral or Reference Obligation (other than an item of Portfolio Collateral guaranteed by a corporate guarantor or a monoline financial insurance company) is not the senior-most tranche of securities issued by the issuer of such Portfolio Collateral:

<b><u>S&amp;P Rating of Assets *</u></b>	<b><u>S&amp;P Rating of Liabilities (%) **</u></b>						
	<u>AAA</u>	<u>AA</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>BBB</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>CCC</u>
"AA-," "AA" or "AA+"	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
"A-," "A" or "A+"	40.0%	45.0%	55.0%	65.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
"BBB-," "BBB" or "BBB+"	30.0%	35.0%	40.0%	45.0%	50.0%	60.0%	70.0%
"BB-," "BB" or "BB+"	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	25.0%	35.0%	40.0%	50.0%

\* Rating upon issuance of such item of Portfolio Collateral.

\*\* Current rating of the applicable Class of Notes.

"B-, " "B" or "B+"	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%	10.0%	10.0%	20.0%	25.0%
"CCC+" and below	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%

**Schedule D**

**Rating Methodology for the Standard & Poor's Rating**

**S&P RATING**

The S&P Rating of an item of Portfolio Collateral as of any date of determination shall be determined in accordance with the following methodology:

(i) If there is an issuer credit rating of the borrower of the item of Portfolio Collateral (the "Borrower"), or the guarantor who unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the item of Portfolio Collateral (the "Guarantor") by S&P, the most current issuer credit rating for such Borrower or Guarantor;

(ii) (a) if there is not an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating of the item of Portfolio Collateral will be one subcategory below such rating; (b) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior unsecured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be such rating; and (c) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a subordinated obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be two subcategories above such rating if such rating is "BBB-" or higher and will be one subcategory above such rating if such rating is "BB+" or lower;

(iii) if there is neither an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P nor a rating by S&P on an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating may be determined using any one of the methods below:

(A) if an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is publicly rated by Moody's, then the S&P Rating will be determined in accordance with the methodologies for establishing the Moody's Default Probability Rating, except that the S&P Rating of such obligation will be (1) one subcategory below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Baa3" or higher by Moody's and (2) two subcategories below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Ba1" or lower by Moody's; provided that item of Portfolio Collateral constituting no more than 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount (which concentration may be increased to 10% upon satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to S&P) may be given a S&P Rating based on a rating given by Moody's as provided in this subclause (a) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant item of Portfolio Collateral, if applicable);

(B) if no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's, then the Servicer may apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating estimate, which will be its S&P Rating; or

(C) (1) if such item of Portfolio Collateral (other than a Current-Pay Obligation) is not rated by Moody's or S&P, no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's and if the Servicer determines in its sole discretion based on information available to it after reasonable inquiry that such Borrower (x) is not subject to any bankruptcy or reorganization proceedings nor in default on any of its obligations (unless the subject of a good faith business dispute), (y) is a legally constituted corporate entity having the minimum legal, financial and operational infrastructure to carry on a definable business, deliver and sell a product or service and report its results in generally accepted accounting terms as verified by a reputable audit firm and (z) is not so vulnerable to adverse business, financial and economic conditions that default in its financial or other obligations is foreseeable in the near term if current operating trends continue, then the S&P Rating will be "B-"; provided that the Servicer must apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating on such Borrower within 30 days after the addition of the relevant item of Portfolio Collateral; provided, further, that items of Portfolio Collateral constituting no more than 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount may be given an S&P Rating based on this subclause (C) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant item of Portfolio Collateral, if applicable) or (2) if such item of Portfolio Collateral is a Current-Pay Obligation and is not rated by Moody's or S&P and no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's, then the S&P Rating will be "CCC-"; or

(iv) if the item of Portfolio Collateral is a CLO Security (a) if the CLO Security has an S&P credit rating, then the S&P Rating shall be such credit rating; otherwise, (b) the S&P Rating shall be the written credit estimate issued by S&P for that item of Portfolio Collateral;

provided that if (i) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any positive "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be increased by one rating subcategory or (ii) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any negative "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be decreased by one rating subcategory.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of an item of Portfolio Collateral that is a DIP Loan, the S&P Rating shall be (A) the rating assigned thereto by S&P if the rating is public, (B) the rating assigned by S&P if the rating is confidential, but only if all appropriate parties have provided written consent to its disclosure and use, (C) the rating assigned by S&P thereto through an estimated rating or (D) the rating assigned thereto by S&P in connection with the acquisition thereof upon the request of the Servicer. In the case of an item of Portfolio Collateral that is a PIK Security, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Securities, the S&P Rating may not be determined pursuant to clause (iii)(A) above.

S&P Ratings for entities or obligations relevant hereunder other than Borrowers and items of Portfolio Collateral shall be determined in a corresponding manner.



**Schedule E**

**Correlation Factor Procedures**

The formula used to calculate the Correlation Factor shall be the formula delivered to the Servicer and the Trustee by Moody's.

**Schedule F**

Moody's Weighted Average Rating Factor Test Procedures

### CALCULATION OF WEIGHTED AVERAGE RATING

The "Weighted Average Rating" is determined by summing the products obtained by *multiplying* the principal amount of each item of Portfolio Collateral (excluding Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, but including Current Pay Obligations), *by* its Moody's Rating Factor, *dividing* such sum *by* the aggregate principal amount of all such securities (excluding Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, but including Current Pay Obligations) and rounding the result up to the nearest whole number. The "Moody's Rating Factor" relating to any Portfolio Collateral is the number set forth in the table below opposite the Rating of such Portfolio Collateral.

<b>Moody's</b>	<b>Moody's</b>	<b>Moody's</b>	<b>Moody's</b>
<b><u>Rating</u></b>	<b><u>Factor</u></b>	<b><u>Rating</u></b>	<b><u>Factor</u></b>
Aaa	1	Ba1	940
Aa1	10	Ba2	1,350
Aa2	20	Ba3	1,766
Aa3	40	B1	2,220
A1	70	B2	2,720
A2	120	B3	3,490
A3	180	Caa1	4,770
Baa1	260	Caa2	6,500
Baa2	360	Caa3	8,070
Baa3	610	Ca	10,000
		C	10,000

For purposes of the Weighted Average Rating Test, any item of Portfolio Collateral issued or guaranteed by the United States government or any agency or instrumentality thereof is assigned a Moody's Rating Factor of 1. Short-term securities rated "P-1" will be assigned a Moody's Rating Factor equivalent to that of the senior unsecured rating of the issuer. Short-term securities rated "P-1" of an issuer that does not have such a senior unsecured rating will be assigned a Moody's Rating Factor of 120. For purposes of calculating the Weighted Average Rating and the Weighted Average Rating Test, no item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral will be taken into account in either the denominator or numerator of such test.

The "Moody's Rating" of any item of Portfolio Collateral shall be determined pursuant to the following method:

- (a) Reserved.
- (b) With respect to any Portfolio Collateral that is a Moody's Senior-Secured Loan, the following:
  - (i) if the borrower of such Portfolio Collateral, or a guarantor that unconditionally and irrevocably provides a guarantee solely for such Portfolio Collateral, has a Moody's corporate family rating, such rating (regardless of whether there is a published rating by Moody's on the Portfolio Collateral of such borrower held by the Issuer);
  - (ii) if the borrower of such Portfolio Collateral does not have a Moody's corporate family rating, then the Moody's Rating of such Portfolio Collateral shall be deemed to be the rating thereof as may be assigned by Moody's upon the request of the Issuer or the Servicer;
  - (iii) if the borrower of such Portfolio Collateral does not have a Moody's corporate family rating, but another security or obligation of the borrower is rated by Moody's and Moody's has not assigned a rating pursuant to subclause (ii) above, then the Moody's Rating of such Portfolio Collateral shall be determined in the following order:
    - (a) if there is a rating on a senior unsecured obligation of the borrower, then the Moody's Rating of such Portfolio Collateral shall equal such rating;
    - (b) if there is a rating on a senior secured obligation of the borrower, then the Moody's Rating of such Portfolio Collateral shall be one subcategory below such rating;
    - (c) if there is a rating on a subordinated obligation of the borrower, then the Moody's Rating of such Portfolio Collateral shall be one subcategory above such rating;or
  - (iv) if such Portfolio Collateral is not rated by Moody's, and no other security or obligation of the borrower is rated by Moody's and neither the Issuer nor the Servicer obtains a Moody's Rating for such Portfolio Collateral pursuant to subclause (ii) above, then the Moody's Rating of such Portfolio Collateral may be determined using any one of the methods provided below (provided that no more than 5% of the Aggregate Principal Amount may have a Moody's Rating determined pursuant to subclauses (B), (C), (D) and (E) below):
    - (A) (1) if there is an issuer rating of the borrower by S&P (excluding a corporate credit estimate), then the Moody's Rating of such Portfolio Collateral shall be (a) one (1) subcategory below Moody's equivalent of such rating assigned by S&P if such rating is "BBB-" or higher by S&P and (b) two (2) subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of the rating assigned by S&P if such rating is "BB+" or lower by S&P; provided that no more than 10% of the Aggregate Principal Amount may be assigned a Moody's Rating as provided in this subclause (A) and clause (b)(iii);

(2) if there is not an issuer rating of the borrower by S&P but a security or obligation of the borrower is rated by S&P (excluding a corporate credit estimate) (a "parallel security"), then the rating of such parallel security shall be determined in accordance with the methodology set forth in subclause (A)(1) above, and the Moody's Rating of such Portfolio Collateral shall be determined in accordance with the methodology set forth in clause (iii) above (for such purposes treating the parallel security as if it were rated by Moody's at the rating determined pursuant to this subclause (A)(2));

(B) if the borrower of such Portfolio Collateral is a U.S. borrower and such Portfolio Collateral is a obligation of the borrower and (1) neither the borrower nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings, (2) no debt securities or obligations of the borrower are in default, (3) neither the borrower nor any of its Affiliates have defaulted on any debt during the past two (2) years, (4) the borrower has been in existence for the past five (5) years, (5) the borrower is current on any cumulative dividends, (6) the fixed-charge coverage ratio for the borrower exceeds 125% for each of the past two (2) fiscal years and for the most recent quarter, (7) the borrower had a net profit before tax in the past fiscal year and the most recent quarter, and (8) the annual financial statements of the borrower are unqualified and certified by a firm of independent accountants of international reputation, and quarterly statements are unaudited but signed by a corporate officer, the Moody's Rating of such Portfolio Collateral shall be "B3";

(C) if the borrower of such Portfolio Collateral is a U.S. borrower and such Portfolio Collateral is a obligation of the borrower and (1) neither the borrower nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings and (2) no debt security or obligation of the borrower has been in default during the past two (2) years, the Moody's Rating of such Portfolio Collateral shall be "Caa2"; or

(D) if any debt security or obligation of the borrower of such Portfolio Collateral has been in default during the past two (2) years, the Moody's Rating of such Portfolio Collateral shall be "Ca";

(c) With respect to any Portfolio Collateral that is a Non Senior Secured Portfolio Loan, the following:

(i) if such Portfolio Collateral is rated by Moody's, such rating;

(ii) with respect to Portfolio Collateral issued by U.S. issuers if such Portfolio Collateral is not rated by Moody's but another security or obligation of the issuer is rated by Moody's, then the Moody's Rating of such Portfolio Collateral shall be determined as follows:

(A) if there is a rating of an obligation of the issuer of the same priority, then the Moody's Rating of such Portfolio Collateral shall be such rating;

(B) if the rating is on a senior unsecured obligation of the issuer, then,

(1) if such Portfolio Collateral is a senior secured obligation of the issuer, then the Moody's Rating of such Portfolio Collateral shall be one subcategory above such rating, with a rating of "Aaa" remaining the same;

(2) if such rating is "B1" or higher and if such Portfolio Collateral is a subordinated obligation of the issuer, then the Moody's Rating of such Portfolio Collateral shall be two subcategories below such rating;

(3) if such rating is between "B2" and "Ca", inclusive, and if such Portfolio Collateral is a subordinated obligation of the issuer, then the Moody's Rating of such Portfolio Collateral shall be one subcategory below such rating; and

(4) if such rating is lower than "Ca" the Moody's Rating of such Portfolio Collateral shall be "C", if such Portfolio Collateral is a subordinated obligation of the issuer;

(C) if the rating is on a subordinated obligation of the issuer and if such Portfolio Collateral is a senior secured obligation of the issuer, then

(1) if the rating is "Baa3" or higher, the Moody's Rating of such Portfolio Collateral shall be one subcategory above such rating;

(2) if such rating is "B2" or higher but lower than "Baa3", the Moody's Rating of such Portfolio Collateral shall be two subcategories above such rating;

(3) if such rating is "B3", the Moody's Rating of such Portfolio Collateral shall be one subcategory above such rating; and

(4) if such rating is lower than "B3", the Moody's Rating of such Portfolio Collateral shall equal such rating;

(D) if there is a rating on a subordinated obligation of the issuer and if such Portfolio Collateral is a senior unsecured obligation of the issuer, then

(1) if such rating is "B3" or higher, the Moody's Rating of such Portfolio Collateral shall be one subcategory above such rating; and

(2) if such rating is lower than "B3", the Moody's Rating of such Portfolio Collateral shall equal such rating;

(E) if the rating is on a senior secured obligation of the issuer, then,

(1) if such rating is "Ca" or higher and such Portfolio Collateral is a senior unsecured obligation of the issuer, the Moody's Rating of such Portfolio Collateral shall be one subcategory below such rating;

(2) if such rating is "Caa2" or higher and such Portfolio Collateral is a subordinated obligation of the issuer, the Moody's Rating of such Portfolio Collateral shall be two subcategories below such rating, and

(3) if such rating is lower than "Caa2", the Moody's Rating of such Portfolio Collateral shall be "C";

(iii) if such Portfolio Collateral is not rated by Moody's, and no other security or obligation of the issuer is rated by Moody's, then the Moody's Rating of such Portfolio Collateral may be determined using any one of the methods below:

(A) (1) if such Portfolio Collateral is rated by S&P (excluding a corporate credit estimate), then (a) if such rating is "BBB-" or higher, the Moody's Rating of such Portfolio Collateral shall be one subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such rating assigned by S&P; and (b) if such rating is "BB+" or lower, the Moody's Rating of such Portfolio Collateral shall be two subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such rating assigned by S&P; and

(2) if such Portfolio Collateral is not rated by S&P but another security or obligation of the issuer is rated by S&P (excluding a corporate credit estimate) (a "parallel security"), then the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer may elect (a) first to establish the Moody's equivalent of the rating of such parallel security determined in accordance with the methodology set forth in clause (iii)(A)(1) above, in which case the Moody's Rating of the Portfolio Collateral shall be determined in accordance with the methodology set forth in clause (ii) above, treating the parallel security as if it were rated by Moody's at the rating determined pursuant to this subclause (2) or (b) to present such Portfolio Collateral to Moody's for an estimate of such Portfolio Collateral's rating factor as provided in clause (B) below;

(B) if such Portfolio Collateral is not rated by Moody's and (x) no other security or obligation of the issuer is rated by Moody's or S&P, or (y) another security or obligation of the issuer is rated by S&P (excluding a corporate credit estimate) and the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer so elects as provided in clause (A)(2)(b) above, then the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, may, within three (3) Business Days after the later of (a) the date on which the Issuer commits to purchase such Portfolio Collateral and (b) the date on which the Issuer is allocated a commitment to purchase such Portfolio Collateral, present such Portfolio Collateral to Moody's for an estimate of such Portfolio Collateral's rating factor, from which its corresponding Moody's Rating may be determined; provided that after such presentation and pending receipt from Moody's of such estimate, if the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that the Servicer believes that such estimate shall be at least "B3", then such Portfolio Collateral shall have a Moody's Rating of "B3"; and

(iv) with respect to Portfolio Collateral that are Synthetic Securities, the Moody's Rating assigned in connection with the acquisition of such Synthetic Security.

(d) Any item of Portfolio Collateral (other than CLO Securities) that is on any "credit watch" list with positive or negative implications by Moody's shall be deemed to have a rating one sub-category above or below, as the case may be, the actual rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral. Any CLO Security with a Moody's rating of "Aaa" that is on any "credit watch" list with negative implications by Moody's shall be deemed to have a rating two sub-categories below the actual rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral. Any CLO Security with a Moody's rating lower than "Aaa" that is on any "credit watch" list with positive or negative implications by Moody's shall be deemed to have a rating two sub-categories above or below, as the case may be, the actual rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral.

(e) Any item of Portfolio Collateral that is a DIP Loan, shall be deemed to have a rating one sub-category below the actual rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral.

For the avoidance of doubt, all references to "obligor" or "borrower" in this Schedule F shall include such obligor or borrower and any guarantor of the obligations of such obligor or borrower under the applicable underlying instruments, and, for the purposes of determining the Moody's Rating of any item of Portfolio Collateral, the applicable Moody's Rating for such obligor or borrower shall be the rating of such obligor or borrower or of any guarantor of such obligor or borrower, whichever is higher.



**Schedule G**

Forms of Opinions

**Schedule H**

## Moody's Suggested Industry Classification

Idx	Industry
1	Aerospace & Defense
2	Automobile
3	Banking
4	Beverage, Food & Tobacco
5	Buildings & Real Estate
6	Chemicals, Plastics & Rubber
7	Containers, Packaging & Glass
8	Personal & Non-durable Consumer Projects (Manufacturing Only)
9	Diversified/Conglomerate Manufacturing
10	Diversified/Conglomerate Service
11	Diversified Natural Resources, Precious Metals & Minerals
12	Ecological
13	Electronics
14	Finance
15	Farming & Agriculture
16	Grocery
17	Healthcare, Education & Childcare
18	Home & Office Furnishings, Housewares & Durable Consumer Products
19	Hotels, Motels, Inns and Gaming
20	Insurance
21	Leisure, Amusement, Motion Pictures, Entertainment
22	Machinery (Non-agriculture, Non-construction, Non-electronic)
23	Mining, Steel, Iron & Non-precious Metals
24	Oil & Gas
25	Personal, Food & Misc. Services
26	Printing & Publishing
27	Cargo Transport
28	Retail Stores
29	Telecommunications
30	Textiles & Leather
31	Personal Transportation
32	Utilities
33	Broadcasting & Entertainment

**Schedule I****Weighted Average Life Table**

<b><u>Due Period from Closing Date</u></b>	<b><u>Due Period from each Extension Effective Date</u></b>	<b><u>Maximum Weighted Average Life</u></b>
First	not applicable	8.00 years
Second	not applicable	8.00 years
Third	not applicable	8.00 years
Fourth	not applicable	8.00 years
Fifth	First	7.75 years
Sixth	Second	7.50 years
Seventh	Third	7.25 years
Eighth	Fourth	7.00 years
Ninth	Fifth	6.75 years
Tenth	Sixth	6.50 years
Eleventh	Seventh	6.25 years
Twelfth	Eighth	6.00 years
Thirteenth	Ninth	5.75 years
Fourteenth	Tenth	5.50 years
Fifteenth	Eleventh	5.25 years
Sixteenth	Twelfth	5.00 years
Seventeenth	Thirteenth	4.75 years
Eighteenth	Fourteenth	4.50 years
Nineteenth	Fifteenth	4.25 years
Twentieth and Thereafter	Sixteenth and Thereafter	4.00 years

**Schedule J**

**Approved Pricing Services**

**With Respect to Portfolio Loans:**

Loan Pricing Corporation  
135 West 50th Street  
New York, NY 10020  
Tel: (212) 489-5455  
<http://www.loanpricing.com>

Mark-it Partners  
7 Times Square  
Suite 2503  
New York, NY 10036  
Tel: (212) 931-4900  
<http://www.markit.com>

**Schedule K****Class X Amortization Schedule**

<u>Payment Date</u>	<u>Class X Principal Payment</u>	<u>Remaining Balance</u>
11/1/2006	0	14,000,000
2/1/2007	0	14,000,000
5/1/2007	0	14,000,000
8/1/2007	0	14,000,000
11/1/2007	583,333	13,416,667
2/1/2008	583,333	12,833,333
5/1/2008	583,333	12,250,000
8/1/2008	583,333	11,666,667
11/1/2008	583,333	11,083,333
2/1/2009	583,333	10,500,000
5/1/2009	583,333	9,916,667
8/1/2009	583,333	9,333,333
11/1/2009	583,333	8,750,000
2/1/2010	583,333	8,166,667
5/1/2010	583,333	7,583,333
8/1/2010	583,333	7,000,000
11/1/2010	583,333	6,416,667
2/1/2011	583,333	5,833,333
5/1/2011	583,333	5,250,000
8/1/2011	583,333	4,666,667
11/1/2011	583,333	4,083,333
2/1/2012	583,333	3,500,000
5/1/2012	583,333	2,916,667
8/1/2012	583,333	2,333,333
11/1/2012	583,333	1,750,000
2/1/2013	583,333	1,166,667
5/1/2013	583,333	583,333
8/1/2013	583,333	0

## Annex A

### Methodology for Calculating the Amount of an O/C Redemption

For any Payment Date with respect to which one or more of the Overcollateralization Tests are not satisfied, the amount (the “O/C Redemption Amount”) of Available Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections or Available Adjusted Collateral Principal Collections (as applicable) to be applied to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes as an O/C Redemption (pursuant to the relevant clause of Section 11.2) in order to satisfy such Overcollateralization Test(s) shall be calculated by the Issuer according to the following formula:

If  $I \geq ((L \times R) - A) / (R)$ ; then

$O/C \text{ Redemption Amount} = ((L \times R) - A) / (R)$ ; otherwise

$O/C \text{ Redemption Amount} = I + (((L-I) \times R) - A) / (R - 1)$

On any Payment Date with respect to which more than one of the Overcollateralization Tests is not satisfied:

(a) the O/C Redemption Amount required to satisfy the Overcollateralization Test relating to the Class A Notes on such Payment Date shall be reduced by the amount of cash in the Collection Account that was applied to the making of an O/C Redemption that results from the failure of the Overcollateralization Test relating to the Class A Notes with respect to such Payment Date; and

(b) the O/C Redemption Amount required to satisfy the Overcollateralization Test relating to the Class B-1L Notes on such Payment Date shall be reduced by the amount of cash in the Collection Account that was applied to the making of an O/C Redemption that results from the failure of the Overcollateralization Test or Tests relating to the Class A Notes with respect to such Payment Date.

For purposes of applying the foregoing formula:

(a) Class A Note O/C Test Redemptions. In connection with an O/C Redemption required to satisfy the Overcollateralization Test relating to the Class A Notes:

“L” (for “liabilities”) shall be the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes (including for this purpose any unpaid Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts with respect to the Class A Notes) as of the related date of calculation;

“R” shall be the required Class A Overcollateralization Percentage;

“A” (for “assets”) shall be the Aggregate Par Amount plus unpaid Purchased Accrued Interest as of the related date of calculation; and

“I” (for “interest collections”) shall be the amount of Collateral Interest Collections available to cure the Class A Overcollateralization Test.

(b) Class B-1L Note O/C Test Redemptions. In connection with an O/C Redemption required to satisfy the Overcollateralization Test relating to the Class B-1L Notes:

“L” (for “liabilities”) shall be the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes (including for this purpose any unpaid Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts with respect to the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes) as of the related Calculation Date;

“R” shall be the required Class B-1L Overcollateralization Percentage;

“A” (for “assets”) shall be the Aggregate Par Amount *plus* unpaid Purchased Accrued Interest *less* the Overcollateralization Haircut Amount as of the related date of calculation; and

“I” (for “interest collections”) shall be the amount of Collateral Interest Collections available to cure the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test.

For purposes of making each of the foregoing calculations, the provisions in the Overcollateralization Ratio Adjustment definition shall apply.

## **Annex B**

### **Methodology for Calculating the Interest Coverage Test Redemption**

For any Payment Date with respect to which the Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, the amount (the “O/C Redemption Amount”) of Available Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections or Available Adjusted Collateral Principal Collections (as applicable) to be applied to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes as an O/C Redemption (pursuant to the relevant clause of Section 11.2) in order to satisfy such Interest Coverage Test shall be calculated by the Issuer according to the following formula:

$$\text{O/C Redemption Amount} = [L - 4 \times (I - \text{PRA}) / (R)]$$

For purposes of applying the foregoing formula:

(a) I/C Test Redemptions. In connection with an O/C Redemption required to satisfy the Interest Coverage Test:

“L” (for “liabilities”) shall be the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes (including for this purpose any unpaid Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts with respect to the Class A Notes) as of the related Calculation Date;

“R” shall be the required Interest Coverage Ratio;

“PRA” – shall be the Periodic Reserve Amount (but not including amounts payable to the Class B-1L Notes);

“I” (for “interest collections”) shall be the amount of Collateral Interest Collections as of any date plus Scheduled Distributions representing Collateral Interest Collections to be received during the next Due Period (plus, if the amount of Collateral Interest Collections is not calculated on a Calculation Date, Scheduled Distributions for the remainder of the then current Due Period) other than Collateral Interest Collections (including deferred interest thereon) scheduled to be received on any Pledged Security that is not paying or expected to pay current interest with respect to such Due Period, divided by two.



**Annex C**  
**Methodology for Calculating the Amount Required**  
**to Satisfy the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement**

For any Payment Date with respect to which the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement is a positive number, the amount (the “Additional Coverage Amount”) of Available Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections to be applied in accordance with the Indenture shall be calculated by the Issuer according to the following formula:

$$\text{Additional Coverage Amount} = (L \times R) - A$$

For purposes of applying the foregoing formula:

“L” (for “liabilities”) shall be, as of the related Calculation Date, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes plus any unpaid Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts plus, if the amount determined under clause (2) under “Assets” below is a negative number, such amount (after giving effect to the amount to be applied to any O/C Redemption of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes to satisfy the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test (if applicable) on the related Payment Date);

“R” shall be the percentage described in clause (b) of the definition of the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement; and

“A” (for “assets”) shall be the sum of:

- (1) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate as of the related Calculation Date; *plus*
- (2) the sum of the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Collection Account representing Collateral Principal Collections plus the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Initial Deposit Account, if any, plus unpaid Purchased Accrued Interest as of such date; *less*
- (3) the Overcollateralization Haircut Amount (if any).

For purposes of making the foregoing calculations, no item of Equity Portfolio Collateral shall be included as Portfolio Collateral. In addition for purposes of this requirement, (i) with respect to Defaulted Portfolio Collateral as to which there has occurred a payment default or an event of bankruptcy, only the portion equal to the lesser of (a) the Market Value of such item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and (b) the Applicable Percentage multiplied by the Principal Balance of such item of Portfolio Collateral, shall be included as Portfolio Collateral and (ii) with respect to items of Discount Portfolio Collateral, only an amount equal to the original purchase price of such item of Discount Portfolio Collateral shall be included as Portfolio Collateral. For purposes of calculating the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement, to the extent an item of Portfolio Collateral is considered Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, Discount Portfolio Collateral and/or is included in the Overcollateralization Haircut Amount, such item of Portfolio Collateral will not be discounted multiple times, but will be treated in the category that results in the largest discount to the par amount of the Portfolio Collateral.

## Annex D

### Collateral Quality Formula and Matrix

For purposes of calculating the Collateral Quality Formula, (i) the Moody's Asset Correlation Test will be the lesser of 4.0% and the Moody's Correlation Factor provided that it is a number greater than or equal to 3.0%, (ii) the Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test with respect to Moody's will be the lesser of 45.5% and Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate provided that it is a number greater than or equal to 40.0%, (iii) the Moody's Weighted Average Rating Test will be the greater of 1,500 and Moody's Weighted Average Rating provided that it is a number less than or equal to 2,500 and (iv) the Weighted Average Margin Test will be the greater of 1.50% and an amount equal to: ((a) 205.1213 *plus* (b) 1800.774 *times C plus* (c) 0.145185 *times W plus* (d) -733.949 *times R* where:

W = Moody's Weighted Average Rating

R = Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate

C = Moody's Correlation Factor

Row	Maximum Moody's Correlation Factor	Maximum Moody's Weighted Average Rating	Minimum Weighted Average Margin	Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate
1	3.00%	1500	150	45.50%
2	3.00%	1500	175	40.90%
3	3.25%	1500	175	41.50%
4	3.50%	1500	175	42.15%
5	3.75%	1500	175	42.65%
6	4.00%	1500	175	43.15%
7	3.00%	1500	180	40.00%
8	3.25%	1500	183	40.00%
9	3.50%	1500	187	40.00%
10	3.75%	1500	190	40.00%
11	4.00%	1500	193	40.00%
12	4.00%	1545	200	40.00%
13	4.00%	1700	225	40.00%
14	3.00%	1750	217	40.00%
15	3.25%	1750	220	40.00%
16	3.50%	1750	225	40.00%
17	3.75%	1750	230	40.00%
18	4.00%	1750	233	40.00%
19	4.00%	1840	240	40.90%
20	4.00%	1855	250	40.00%
21	4.00%	1915	255	40.90%
22	3.00%	2000	215	45.50%
23	3.00%	2000	255	40.00%
24	3.25%	2000	260	40.00%
25	3.50%	2000	265	40.00%
26	3.75%	2000	270	40.00%
27	4.00%	2000	275	40.00%
28	4.00%	2000	275	40.00%
29	3.15%	2025	220	45.50%

30	3.00%	2025	221	45.00%
31	3.40%	2025	232	44.50%
32	3.25%	2025	233	44.00%
33	3.75%	2030	235	45.00%
34	4.00%	2045	254	43.50%
35	3.00%	2050	221	45.50%
36	3.25%	2050	233	44.50%
37	3.75%	2050	234	45.50%
38	3.00%	2050	236	43.50%
39	3.85%	2050	240	45.00%
40	3.00%	2050	244	42.50%
41	3.25%	2050	249	42.50%
42	3.50%	2050	253	42.50%
43	3.00%	2075	225	45.45%
44	3.25%	2075	233	45.00%
45	3.00%	2075	238	43.75%
46	3.90%	2075	240	45.50%
47	3.50%	2075	262	42.00%
48	3.75%	2075	282	40.00%
49	3.00%	2100	228	45.50%
50	3.50%	2100	250	44.00%
51	3.75%	2100	254	44.00%
52	3.25%	2100	255	42.75%
53	3.35%	2100	255	42.90%
54	3.00%	2100	263	41.00%
55	3.00%	2120	252	42.15%
56	3.25%	2120	252	43.65%
57	3.25%	2120	260	41.50%
58	3.50%	2125	243	45.50%
59	3.30%	2125	245	44.50%
60	3.65%	2125	255	43.75%
61	4.00%	2125	255	44.75%
62	3.00%	2125	270	40.00%
63	3.50%	2125	270	41.25%
64	3.00%	2135	263	41.50%
65	3.00%	2135	273	40.00%
66	3.20%	2140	257	42.75%
67	3.45%	2145	247	45.00%
68	3.00%	2150	235	45.50%
69	3.65%	2150	250	44.95%
70	3.50%	2150	258	43.75%
71	4.00%	2150	278	42.00%
72	3.50%	2150	280	40.50%
73	4.00%	2150	300	40.00%
74	3.35%	2155	245	45.15%
75	3.85%	2155	261	43.85%
76	3.20%	2155	261	42.45%
77	3.25%	2160	245	45.00%
78	3.75%	2160	265	43.50%
79	3.40%	2160	271	41.65%

80	3.15%	2165	241	45.30%
81	3.30%	2165	257	43.45%
82	3.90%	2165	281	41.65%
83	3.45%	2170	246	45.45%
84	3.35%	2170	250	44.65%
85	3.80%	2170	270	42.95%
86	3.20%	2170	272	41.05%
87	3.00%	2175	240	45.50%
88	3.75%	2175	253	45.25%
89	3.50%	2175	265	43.25%
90	3.00%	2175	270	40.75%
91	4.00%	2175	295	40.00%
92	3.35%	2180	255	44.25%
93	3.25%	2180	257	43.65%
94	3.85%	2180	280	41.95%
95	3.55%	2180	283	40.75%
96	3.25%	2185	251	44.60%
97	3.70%	2185	267	43.45%
98	3.25%	2185	272	42.00%
99	3.40%	2185	281	40.80%
100	3.15%	2190	245	45.25%
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110	3.00%	2200	263	42.50%
111	4.00%	2200	300	40.00%
112	3.50%	2210	267	43.25%
113	3.00%	2225	252	44.45%
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127	3.75%	2250	300	41.25%
128	4.00%	2250	300	42.00%
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133	3.65%	2280	270	44.70%
134	3.45%	2285	280	42.95%
135	3.85%	2290	271	45.25%
136	3.15%	2295	258	45.25%
137	3.00%	2300	263	44.25%
138	3.50%	2300	271	44.50%
139	3.35%	2300	286	42.05%
140	4.00%	2300	289	43.25%
141	3.70%	2300	295	41.75%
142	3.35%	2325	272	44.35%
143	3.50%	2325	294	41.75%
144	3.25%	2350	275	44.25%
145	4.00%	2350	289	44.25%
146	3.50%	2375	274	45.50%
147	3.25%	2375	283	43.50%
148	3.50%	2400	278	45.35%
149	3.00%	2400	297	41.50%
150	3.00%	2425	275	45.00%
151	4.00%	2450	300	45.50%
152	3.50%	2450	300	43.20%
153	3.25%	2475	281	45.50%
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155	3.00%	2500	300	44.00%
156	3.25%	2500	300	44.50%
157	3.50%	2500	300	45.25%

## **EXHIBIT WW**

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**ROCKWALL CDO LTD.**

Issuer

**ROCKWALL CDO (DELAWARE) CORP.**

Co-Issuer

AND

**STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST**

Successor Trustee

**AMENDMENT NO. 1**

**TO**

**INDENTURE**

Dated as of October 2, 2007

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**COLLATERALIZED DEBT OBLIGATIONS**

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**THIS AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO INDENTURE** (the “Amendment”), dated as of October 2, 2007, among Rockwall CDO Ltd. (the “Issuer”), Rockwall CDO (Delaware) Corp. (the “Co-Issuer”) and State Street Bank and Trust, as successor in interest to Investors Bank & Trust Company (the “Successor Trustee”), hereby amends the Indenture, dated as of May 10, 2006, among the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Successor Trustee (the “Indenture”).

W I T N E S S E T H

WHEREAS, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association (the “Original Trustee”) entered into the Indenture;

WHEREAS, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Successor Trustee entered into the Supplemental Indenture No. 2007-1, dated as of June 8, 2007, which replaced the Original Trustee with the Successor Trustee;

WHEREAS, the Issuers and the Noteholders desire to amend certain definitions contained in the Indenture;

WHEREAS, Highland Capital Management, L.P. acts as Servicer with respect to the Collateral;

WHEREAS, Section 8.2 of the Indenture provides that the Indenture may be amended by the Issuer, Co-Issuer and the Trustee with the consent of the Servicer, the Requisite Noteholders adversely affected thereby and a Majority of Preferred Shares (as such term is defined in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, dated as of May 10, 2006, among the Issuer and the Successor Trustee) affected thereby;

WHEREAS, the necessary consents pursuant to the preceding paragraph have been obtained;

WHEREAS, Section 8.2 of the Indenture provides that the Ratings Agencies shall confirm that this Amendment to the Indenture will not cause the rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn; and

WHEREAS, the Ratings Agencies have confirmed that this Amendment to the Indenture will not cause the rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:

**SECTION 1. Defined Terms.**

For purposes of this Amendment, all capitalized terms which are used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the respective meanings assigned to such terms in the Indenture.



SECTION 2. Amendment.

Section 1.1 of the Indenture is hereby amended to replace in its entirety the definition of Servicing Fee Portion with the following:

***“Servicing Fee Portion”***: 100% minus (a) for any Payment Date from the Closing Date until (and including) the Payment Date in February 2008, the Class II Preferred Share Percentage for such Payment Date and (b) for any other Payment Date, a percentage (between 0% and 100%) selected by the Servicer in its sole discretion and reported to the Trustee in writing on or before the related Determination Date; provided that, with respect to the Payment Date in May 2008, such percentage shall be a minimum of the product of (i) the Class II Preferred Share Percentage for such Payment Date and (ii) 3.3%.

SECTION 3. Effect of Amendment.

Upon execution of this Amendment, the Indenture shall be, and be deemed to be, modified and amended in accordance herewith and the respective rights, limitations, obligations, duties, liabilities and immunities of the Issuer, Co-Issuer and the Successor Trustee shall hereafter be determined, exercised and enforced subject in all respects to such modifications and amendments, and all the terms and conditions of this Amendment shall be deemed to be part of the terms and conditions of the Indenture for any and all purposes. Except as modified and expressly amended by this Amendment, the Indenture is in all respects ratified and confirmed, and all the terms, provisions and conditions thereof shall be and remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. Binding Effect.

The provisions of this Amendment shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Successor Trustee and each of their respective successors and assigns.

SECTION 5. GOVERNING LAW.

THIS AMENDMENT TO THE INDENTURE SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK APPLICABLE TO AGREEMENTS MADE AND TO BE PERFORMED THEREIN WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS CONFLICT OF LAW PROVISIONS, AND THE OBLIGATIONS, RIGHTS AND REMEDIES OF THE PARTIES HEREUNDER SHALL BE DETERMINED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUCH LAWS.

SECTION 6. Severability of Provisions.

If any one or more of the provisions or terms of this Amendment shall be for any reason whatsoever held invalid, then such provisions or terms shall be deemed severable from the remaining provisions or terms of this Amendment and shall in no way affect the validity or enforceability of the other provisions or terms of this Amendment.

SECTION 7. Section Headings.

The section headings herein are for convenience of reference only, and shall not limit or otherwise affect the meaning hereof.

SECTION 8. Counterparts.

This Amendment may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which shall constitute but one and the same instrument.

[Signature pages follow]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Issuer, Co-Issuer and the Successor Trustee have caused their names to be signed hereto by their respective officers thereunto duly authorized, all as of the day and year first above written.

ROCKWALL CDO LTD.,  
as Issuer

By: 

Name:

Title:

**Guy Major**  
**Director**

ROCKWALL CDO (DELAWARE) CORP.,  
as Co-Issuer

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

Name:

Title:

STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST, as  
Successor Trustee

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

Name:

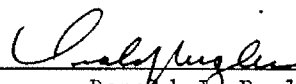
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ROCKWALL CDO LTD.,  
as Issuer

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

ROCKWALL CDO (DELAWARE) CORP.,  
as Co-Issuer

By:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Donald J. Puglisi  
Title: President

STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST, as  
Successor Trustee

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

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Issuer, Co-Issuer and the Successor Trustee have caused their names to be signed hereto by their respective officers thereunto duly authorized, all as of the day and year first above written.

ROCKWALL CDO LTD.,  
as Issuer

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

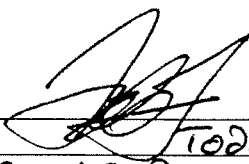
ROCKWALL CDO (DELAWARE) CORP.,  
as Co-Issuer

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


STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST, as  
Successor Trustee

By:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Name:  
Title: **Brian Peterson**  
**Director**

**CONSENTED AND AGREED TO BY:**

  
Name: Todd Travers  
Title: CEO: CEO  
E-mail address: tatravers@hcmh.com  
Aggregate Outstanding Amount/Face Amount of Class II  
Preference Shares Held: 485,000,000  
CUSIP/ISIN: US38960U8300 774726119

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., as  
Servicer

By:   
Name: Todd Travers  
Title: Senior Portfolio Manager  
Highland Capital Management, L.P.

## **EXHIBIT XX**

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ROCKWALL CDO LTD.,  
as Issuer

and

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,  
as Paying Agent and as Transfer Agent

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PAYING AND TRANSFER AGENCY AGREEMENT  
(Relating to the Issuer's Preferred Shares)

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Dated as of May 10, 2006

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## PAYING AND TRANSFER AGENCY AGREEMENT

(Relating to the Issuer's Preferred Shares)

PAYING AND TRANSFER AGENCY AGREEMENT, dated as of May 10, 2006 (this "**Agreement**"), between ROCKWALL CDO LTD., an exempted company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands (together with its permitted successors and assigns, the "**Issuer**"), and JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as the Paying Agent hereunder (in such capacity, together with its permitted successors and assigns, the "**Paying Agent**") and as the Transfer Agent hereunder (in such capacity, together with its permitted successors and assigns, the "**Transfer Agent**").

### PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

The Issuer may, pursuant to an Indenture dated as of the date hereof as amended from time to time (the "**Indenture**"), among the Issuer, ROCKWALL CDO (DELAWARE) CORP., a Delaware corporation (the "**Co-Issuer**" and, together with the Issuer, the "**Co-Issuers**") and JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as the Trustee thereunder (the "**Trustee**") and as Securities Intermediary thereunder, issue multiple classes of secured notes (the "**Notes**").

As authorized by the Issuer and permitted under the terms of the Issuer's Memorandum of Association and Articles of Association, the Issuer may issue up to 300,000,000 Class I Preferred Shares having a par value of U.S. \$0.001 per share (the "**Class I Preferred Shares**") and 300,000,000 Class II Preferred Shares having a par value of U.S. \$0.001 per share (the "**Class II Preferred Shares**" and, together with the Class I Preferred Shares, the "**Preferred Shares**") and the dividends and other distributions on which are payable in accordance with the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Issuer, the Resolutions (as defined herein), the Indenture and this Agreement. On the Closing Date, the Issuer expects to issue 33,200,000 Class I Preferred Shares and 45,000,000 Class II Preferred Shares. The Issuer has entered into this Agreement to provide for the payment of such dividends and other distributions.

#### Section 1. Definitions.

Except as otherwise specified herein or as the context may otherwise require, the following terms shall have the respective meanings set forth below for all purposes of this Agreement, and the definitions of such terms are equally applicable both to the singular and plural forms of such terms, and to the masculine, feminine and neuter genders of such terms. All other defined terms used herein and not defined herein shall have the meanings specified in the Indenture.

**"Articles"**: The Articles of Association of the Issuer, as they may from time to time be further amended and restated.

**"Authorized Representative"**: Any officer, director, employee, or agent of the Issuer authorized to give instructions and notices on behalf of the Issuer pursuant to Section 3 hereof.

**"Bear Preferred Shares"**: Preferred Shares, if any, initially issued to Bear Stearns or an Affiliate of Bear Stearns on the Closing Date.

**“Business Day”:** Any day that is a “Business Day” as defined in the Indenture, and that is not a day on which commercial banking institutions in the city in which the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent is located are authorized or obligated by law or executive order to be closed.

**“Class”:** Any of the Class I Preferred Shares or the Class II Preferred Shares.

**“Class II Preferred Share Dividend”:** As such term is defined in the Indenture.

**“Definitive Preferred Share”:** Any registered Preferred Share represented by a certificate in or substantially in the form set out in Exhibit A-3 hereto which may be issued by the Issuer on the Closing Date or exchanged pursuant to Section 8 or which may be issued in exchange for a beneficial interest in the Global Preferred Share pursuant to Section 8.

**“Disqualified Transferee”:** The meaning set forth in Section 8(h).

**“Distribution Compliance Period”:** The meaning set forth in Section 8(b)(i).

**“ERISA”:** The Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended.

**“Excess Cash Flow”:** With respect to any Payment Date other than the Redemption Date, the funds or any Payment Date Equity Securities disbursed on such Payment Date by the Trustee to the Paying Agent (for the benefit of the Preferred Shareholders) pursuant to clause FOURTH of Section 11.1(b) of the Indenture; pursuant to clauses ELEVENTH, THIRTEENTH and FOURTEENTH of Section 11.1(c)(i) of the Indenture; and, with respect to the Redemption Date, the funds disbursed on the Redemption Date by the Trustee to the Paying Agent (for the benefit of the Preferred Shareholders) pursuant to clauses TWELFTH, FOURTEENTH and FIFTEENTH of Section 11.1(d) of the Indenture.

**“Holder” or “Preferred Shareholder”:** With regard to the Class II Preferred Shares, the registered holder of any Class II Preferred Share as set forth in the Share Register maintained by the Share Registrar. With respect to the Class I Preferred Shares, the Registered holder will be Rockwell Investors Corp. Notwithstanding any notice to the contrary, the Paying Agent shall have no obligation to recognize or deal with any Person claiming an interest in the Preferred Shares other than such registered holders. With regard to the Notes, the meaning specified in the Indenture.

**“Indenture”:** The meaning set forth in the Preliminary Statement hereof.

**“Investment Company Act”:** The United States Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

**“Investor Certificate”:** A letter substantially in the form of Exhibit B attached hereto, duly completed as appropriate.

**“Majority Preferred Shareholders”:** The Holders of more than 50% of the aggregate outstanding Preferred Shares (voting together as a single class).

**“Opinion of Counsel”:** A written opinion, addressed to the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent, as the case may be (or on which the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent may rely) and in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent, as the case may be, of an attorney at law admitted to practice before the highest court of any state of the United States or the District of Columbia or, with respect to matters relating to the laws of the Cayman Islands, the Cayman Islands, which attorney or attorneys may, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, be

counsel for the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, or any Preferred Shareholder, and who shall be reasonably satisfactory to the Paying Agent, the Transfer Agent and the Servicer, as applicable.

**“Paying Agent”:** JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as the Paying Agent hereunder or such other paying agent as may be appointed pursuant to Section 2(a) hereof.

**“Preferred Share Certificate”:** With respect to any of the Preferred Shares, the physical certificate evidencing such Preferred Shares, which shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit A attached hereto.

**“Preferred Shares Collection Account”:** The account established pursuant to Section 2(c).

**“Redemption Date”:** The “Final Maturity Date,” as such term is defined in the Indenture (or such other date on which the Preferred Shares may be redeemed in accordance with the terms of this Agreement).

**“Redemption Price”:** The amount of Excess Cash Flow on the Redemption Date that is attributable to Adjusted Collateral Collections and any amounts remaining in the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Loan Funding Account.

**“Regulation S Global Preferred Shares”:** The meaning set forth in Section 8(a).

**“Regulation S Transferor Certificate”:** A certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit D attached hereto, duly completed as appropriate.

**“Relevant Date”:** The meaning specified in Section 21 hereof.

**“Resolutions”:** The resolutions passed by the Board of Directors of the Issuer on or before the date hereof approving the issue of the Preferred Shares as memorialized in the board minutes relating thereto.

**“Responsible Officer”:** With respect to the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent, as applicable, any officer within the corporate trust department of the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent (or any successor group of the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent, as applicable) including any vice president, assistant vice president, assistant secretary, or any other officer or assistant officer of the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent, as applicable, customarily performing functions similar to those performed by the persons who at the time shall be such officers, respectively, or to whom any corporate trust matter is referred within the corporate trust department of the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent because of his or her knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject.

**“Restricted Preferred Share”:** The meaning set forth in Section 8(b)(ii).

**“Rule 144A Information”:** The meaning set forth in Section 8(f) hereof.

**“Rule 144A Transferor Certificate”:** A certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit C attached hereto, duly completed as appropriate.

**“Rule 144A Preferred Share”:** Any registered Preferred Share represented by a certificate in or substantially in the form set out in Exhibit A hereto which may be issued by the Issuer on the Closing Date or exchanged pursuant to Section 8.

**“Specialized Depositary”:** J.P. Morgan Bank Luxembourg S.A. or its nominee, and any successor thereto, as specialized depositary for Euroclear and Clearstream.

**“Securities Act”:** The United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

**“Share Registrar” and “Share Register”:** The respective meanings set forth in Section 8(a) hereof.

**“Transfer Agent”:** JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association as the Transfer Agent hereunder or such other transfer agent as may be appointed pursuant to Section 2(b) herein.

Section 2. Appointment of Paying Agent and Transfer Agent; Transfer and Deposit of Funds.

(a) The Issuer hereby appoints the Paying Agent to act as the Paying Agent for the Preferred Shares upon the terms, and subject to the conditions, set forth herein and in the Articles. The Issuer shall appoint an off-shore paying agent (in addition to and not in lieu of JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association as Paying Agent) if requested by at least 33-2/3% of the Holders of the Preferred Shares, the cost of such agent to be borne by the Issuer. The Issuer may at any time and from time to time vary or terminate the appointment of the Paying Agent or appoint one or more additional Paying Agents. The Issuer will give prompt written notice to the Trustee of the appointment or termination of the Paying Agent and of the location and any change in the location of the Paying Agent’s office or agency. The Paying Agent shall provide notice to the Holders of any such change or variation of which it receives notice.

(b) The Issuer hereby further appoints the Paying Agent to act as the Transfer Agent for the Preferred Shares upon the terms, and subject to the conditions, set forth herein. The Issuer shall appoint an off-shore transfer agent (in addition to and not in lieu of JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association as Transfer Agent) if requested by at least 33-2/3% of the Holders of the Preferred Shares, the cost of such agent to be borne by the Issuer. The Issuer may at any time and from time to time vary or terminate the appointment of the Transfer Agent or appoint one or more additional Transfer Agents. The Issuer will give prompt written notice to the Trustee of the appointment or termination of the Transfer Agent and of the location and any change in the location of the Transfer Agent’s office or agency. The Transfer Agent shall provide notice to the Holders of any such change or variation of which it receives notice.

(c) On or prior to the Closing Date, the Paying Agent shall establish a segregated non-interest bearing account designated as the **“Preferred Shares Collection Account,”** the deposits into which shall be held for the exclusive benefit of the Holders of the Preferred Shares. Any amounts deposited to the Preferred Shares Collection Account that constitute Class II Preferred Share Dividends shall for the benefit of and distributable only to the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares.

(d) The Paying Agent shall deposit any funds received from the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture representing payments on the Preferred Shares (including, without limitation, all distributions made to the Paying Agent by the Trustee pursuant to Article XI of the Indenture) into the Preferred Shares Collection Account, all of which shall be distributed to the Preferred Shareholders in accordance with Sections 4, 5, 6 and 25 of this Agreement.

Section 3. Authorized Representatives.

From time to time the Issuer will furnish the Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent (with a copy to the Trustee) with a signature list certifying the incumbency and specimen signatures of the Authorized

Representatives. Each of the Paying Agent, the Transfer Agent and the Trustee shall be entitled to rely on the last such certificate delivered to it for the purposes of determining the identity of Authorized Representatives.

Section 4. Payment of Dividends.

(a) Subject to clause (c) below, on each Payment Date and the Redemption Date, the Holders of each Class of the Preferred Shares shall be entitled to receive dividends on each respective Class of the Preferred Shares in an amount equal to the amount of Excess Cash Flow allocable to such Class for such Payment Date less, with respect to the Redemption Date, such part of the Excess Cash Flow paid to redeem each respective Class of the Preferred Shares pursuant to Section 6 (in each case, subject to the Issuer having sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium of the Preferred Shares out of which to pay such amounts and, in the case of a payment from share premium, the Issuer being able to pay its debts as they fall due in the ordinary course of its business following such payment).

Any Excess Cash Flow that constitutes part of the Class II Preferred Share Dividend will not be allocable to the Class I Preferred Shares, rather, such amounts will only be available for distributions on the Class II Preferred Shares.

The Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, shall promptly give notice of the amount of all Excess Cash Flow distributed hereunder (specifically identifying any Class II Preferred Shares Dividend Amount) for the relevant Payment Date to the Holders of the each Class of Preferred Shares in accordance with Section 12 hereof and to the Issuer, the Servicer and to Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. The Paying Agent shall also make such information available to each Class of Preferred Shareholders at the offices of the Paying Agent.

(b) Dividends, if any, will be paid on each Payment Date to the Holders of the Preferred Shares who are registered at the close of business on the Record Date for such Payment Date. Dividends payable to the Preferred Shares from Excess Cash Flow (other than those amounts constituting the Class II Preferred Share Dividend) shall be paid by the Paying Agent *pro rata* in the proportion that the number of Preferred Shares held by a Holder bears to the total number of Preferred Shares outstanding. Excess Cash Flow constituting Class II Preferred Share Dividends shall be paid by the Paying Agent *pro rata* in the proportion that the number of Class II Preferred Shares held by the related Holder bears to the total number of Class II Preferred Shares outstanding.

(c) On each Payment Date, Excess Cash Flow shall be paid to the Issuer, free and clear of the lien of the Indenture, to be applied to fund distributions to the holders of each respective Class of the Preferred Shares.

(d) To the extent the requirements under Cayman Islands law described in this Section 4 are not met, amounts otherwise payable to the Holders of the Preferred Shares will be retained in the Preferred Shares Collection Account until, in the case of any payment by way of dividend, the next succeeding Payment Date on which the Issuer notifies the Paying Agent that such requirements are met. Amounts on deposit in the Preferred Shares Collection Account will not be available to pay amounts due to the Holders of the Notes, the Trustee or any other creditor of the Issuer whose claim is limited in recourse to the Portfolio Collateral. However, amounts on deposit in the Preferred Shares Collection Account may be subject to the claims of creditors of the Issuer that have not contractually limited their recourse to the Portfolio Collateral.

Section 5. Procedures for Payment of Dividends and Redemption Price; Persons Deemed Owners; Withholding.

(a) All payments of dividends on the Preferred Shares and the payment of the Redemption Price for the Preferred Shares will be made in U.S. dollars and/or Payment Date Equity Securities. All of such payments in U.S. dollars shall be made by wire transfer from an account maintained by the Paying Agent (subject to usual and necessary banking procedures regarding U.S. Dollar denominated accounts), and payments of dividends shall be subject in all cases to any tax, fiscal or other laws or regulations applicable in the place of payment. Holders shall deliver a request to the Paying Agent setting forth the numbers of the Preferred Shares held by it and the Class designation of such Preferred Shares for which it shall receive payment by wire transfer and specifying the banking institution and account number (with any other appropriate information necessary to enable the Paying Agent to transmit such payment and to assure proper credit to such Holder's account) to which such payments are to be transferred. A record of each payment made will be maintained by or on behalf of the Paying Agent in accordance with its customary procedures, and such record shall be *prima facie* evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Issuer and the Paying Agent shall be fully protected in relying upon any such request in making payments on the Preferred Shares, and any payment transmitted in accordance with such request shall be deemed to have been made upon transmission thereof to the banking institution identified in such request.

(b) Unless the Holders request an off-shore Paying Agent pursuant to Section 2(a), all payments with respect to the Preferred Shares shall be made pursuant to presentation of a certificate representing the Preferred Shares, or the making of any other demand for payment, in the United States of America.

(c) In the case where the Trust Termination Date or Redemption Date shall not be a Business Day, then payment need not be made on such date, but may be made on the next succeeding Business Day with the same force and effect as if made on the nominal date of any such Trust Termination Date or Redemption Date, as the case may be.

The Issuer shall not be obligated to pay any additional amounts to the Holders of the Preferred Shares in the event that amounts are withheld from (i) payments to the Issuer on any of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate or (ii) payments on the Notes or the Preferred Shares. As a condition to the payment of capital and dividends on any Preferred Share without the imposition of United States withholding tax, the Issuer shall require that certification acceptable to it be furnished to the Issuer and the Paying Agent in order to enable the Issuer and the Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments in respect of such Preferred Share under any present or future law or regulation of the United States or any present or future law or regulation of any political subdivision thereof or taxing authority therein or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under any such law or regulation.

(d) The Issuer, the Paying Agent, the Transfer Agent and the Share Registrar shall deem and treat the registered Holder of any Preferred Share as the absolute owner of such Preferred Share, notwithstanding any notation of ownership or other writing on any certificate representing such Preferred Share, for the purpose of receiving dividends and the Redemption Price thereof and for all other purposes, and none of the Issuer, the Paying Agent, the Transfer Agent nor the Share Registrar shall be affected by any notice to the contrary. All such payments so made to such Holder or upon such Holder's order shall be valid and, to the extent of the sum or sums so paid, effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability for the monies payable upon any such Preferred Share.



Section 6. Redemption.

(a) On the Redemption Date, subject to the Issuer having sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium of the Preferred Shares out of which to pay such amounts and, in the case of a payment from share premium, the Issuer being able to pay its debts as they fall due in the ordinary course of business following such payment, the Preferred Shares shall be redeemed in whole at the Redemption Price.

(b) All redemption payments (other than those amounts constituting the Class II Preferred Share Dividend) to a Holder shall be made *pro rata* in the proportion that the number of Preferred Shares held by such Holder bears to the total number of Preferred Shares. Any redemption payments constituting Class II Preferred Share Dividends paid to a Holder of a Class II Preferred Share shall be made *pro rata* in the proportion that the number of Class II Preferred Shares held by such Holder bears to the total number of Class II Preferred Shares.

(c) To the extent the requirements under Cayman Islands law described in this Section 6 are not met, amounts otherwise payable to the Holders of the Preferred Shares will be retained in the Preferred Shares Collection Account until, in the case of any payment which would otherwise be payable on a redemption date of the Preferred Shares, the next succeeding Business Day on which the Issuer notifies the Paying Agent that such requirements are met. Amounts on deposit in the Preferred Shares Collection Account will not be available to pay amounts due to the Holders of the Notes, the Trustee or any other creditor of the Issuer whose claim is limited in recourse to the Portfolio Collateral. However, amounts on deposit in the Preferred Shares Collection Account may be subject to the claims of creditors of the Issuer that have not contractually limited their recourse to the Portfolio Collateral.

Section 7. Accountings; Reports by Paying Agent; Information to Holders.

(a) With respect to each Calculation Date, the Paying Agent shall render an accounting, determined as of such Calculation Date, and delivered to the Holders, the Issuer, the Servicer and the Initial Purchaser not later than the Business Day prior to the Payment Date related to such Calculation Date. The Paying Agent shall render such accounting by reference to the accounting delivered by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.5(b) of the Indenture. Such accounting shall contain the following information (stated in aggregate):

(i) the amount of Excess Cash Flow to be received by the Paying Agent from the Trustee on the related Payment Date;

(ii) the amounts payable as dividends on each Class of Preferred Shares on such Payment Date, specifically identifying any Class II Preferred Share Dividend payments; and

(iii) if such accounting relates to the Redemption Date, the Redemption Price payable with respect to the Preferred Shares on such Redemption Date and the amount, if any, payable as a dividend on such Redemption Date specifically identifying any Class II Preferred Share Dividend payments.

(b) On or prior to each Payment Date, the Paying Agent shall provide the Holders of each Class of Preferred Shares with a copy of the Note Valuation Report and Noteholder Report prepared for delivery pursuant to Section 10.5 of the Indenture (including the most recent Monthly Report delivered therewith), with the report prepared by the Paying Agent pursuant to Section 7(a) hereof.

(c) The Paying Agent shall provide the Holders of each Class of Preferred Shares with all notices and any ballots required pursuant to the terms of the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement.

**Section 8. Share Register; Registration, Transfer, Exchange; Persons Deemed Owners.**

(a) The Issuer shall cause to be kept a register (the “**Share Register**”) in which, subject to such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe and to the Companies Law (2004 Revision) of the Cayman Islands (as amended from time to time), the Issuer shall provide for the registration of the Preferred Shares (and any other share capital of the Issuer) and the registration of transfers of the Preferred Shares (and any other share capital of the Issuer). The Administrator is hereby irrevocably appointed by the Issuer to act as the “**Share Registrar**” for the purpose of registering the Preferred Shares (and any other share capital of the Issuer) and all transfers of the Preferred Shares (and any other share capital of the Issuer) as herein provided (it being hereby acknowledged that nothing contained herein shall limit, bar or restrict the ability or the right of the Transfer Agent to appoint agents or to delegate duties from time to time); provided, however, that a duplicate Share Register shall be maintained at the offices of the Transfer Agent, who shall promptly provide a copy to the Administrator and the Trustee following the Closing Date and thereafter promptly upon any transfer or exchange information the Transfer Agent receives and shall notify the Administrator and the Trustee of any transfer or exchange of a Preferred Share. The Administrator will maintain the original Share Register. The Share Registrar and the Issuer may rely conclusively on any information or documentation provided by the Transfer Agent without any liability on their part. For purposes of distributions, notices or otherwise, the Paying Agent, the Transfer Agent and the Trustee may conclusively rely on the duplicate copy of the Share Register maintained by the Transfer Agent.

Preferred Shares sold outside the United States to non-U.S. Persons in reliance on Regulation S shall be represented by one or more permanent physical share certificates, in fully registered definitive form and substantially in the form of Exhibit A-2 attached hereto (the “**Regulation S Global Preferred Shares**” and, each, a “**Regulation S Global Preferred Share**”), which will be deposited with the Specialized Depositary on behalf of Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of Euroclear and/or Clearstream. Euroclear and/or Clearstream, as applicable, will credit the Regulation S Global Preferred Shares to the respective accounts designated by the subscribers of such Preferred Shares at Euroclear or Clearstream, as applicable. The registered owner of the relevant Regulation S Global Preferred Share (as indicated in the Share Register) shall be the only person entitled to receive payments in respect of the Preferred Shares represented by a Regulation S Global Preferred Share, and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the registered owner of such Regulation S Global Preferred Share in respect of each amount so paid. No person other than the registered owner of the relevant Regulation S Global Preferred Share shall have any claim against the Issuer in respect of any payment due on that Regulation S Global Preferred Share.

Preferred Shares sold in the United States to “qualified institutional buyers” within the meaning of Rule 144A under the Securities Act (“**Qualified Institutional Buyers**” and, each, a “**Qualified Institutional Buyer**”) who are U.S. Persons will be represented, on issue, by share certificates in definitive, fully registered form and substantially in the form of Exhibit A-3 attached hereto (“**Definitive Preferred Shares**” and, each, a “**Definitive Preferred Share**”).

Every certificate representing a Preferred Share presented or surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange shall (if so required by the Issuer or the Transfer Agent) be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Issuer and the Transfer Agent duly executed by the Holder thereof or its attorney-in-fact duly authorized in writing.

No service charge shall be made to a Holder for any registration of transfer or exchange of Preferred Shares, but the Issuer and/or the Transfer Agent may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with any registration of transfer or exchange of Preferred Shares.

During the period of 15 days preceding any Payment Date, the Issuer shall not register the transfer of or to exchange any Preferred Shares.

Subject to the receipt by the Transfer Agent of a written certification substantially in the form of Exhibit D attached hereto (a “**Regulation S Transferor Certificate**”), a beneficial interest in a Global Preferred Share may be exchanged at any time for a Definitive Preferred Share if such beneficial interest will be transferred to a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is a U.S. Person. Such Definitive Preferred Share will be registered in the name of the transferee.

Definitive Preferred Shares will be issued and exchanged for each Regulation S Global Preferred Share within thirty days of the occurrence of any of the following: (i) either Euroclear or Clearstream is closed for business for a continuous period of 14 days (other than by reason of holiday, statutory or otherwise) or announces an intention permanently to cease business and no alternative clearance system satisfactory to the Paying Agent is available, (ii) as a result of any amendment to, or change in, the laws or regulations of Cayman Islands or of any authority therein or thereof having power to tax or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations which becomes effective on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer or the Paying Agent are or will be required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Preferred Shares which would not be required were the Preferred Shares held as Definitive Preferred Shares, or (iii) the Issuer so elects by notice to the Holders of the Preferred Shares in accordance with this Agreement and Euroclear and/or Clearstream, as applicable, does not object. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Preferred Share may be exchanged for a Definitive Preferred Share only upon the receipt by the Transfer Agent from the owner of such beneficial interest of a Regulation S Transferor Certificate.

(b) No Preferred Shares may be sold or transferred (including, without limitation by pledge or hypothecation) unless such sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act and is exempt from registration under applicable state securities laws. No purported transfer of any interest in any Preferred Share or any portion thereof that is not made in accordance with this Section 8 shall be given effect by or be binding upon the Transfer Agent or the Issuer, and any such purported transfer shall be null and void *ab initio* and vest in the transferee no rights against the Paying Agent, the Transfer Agent or the Issuer.

A Holder of a Preferred Share may transfer a Preferred Share or its beneficial interest in a Preferred Share only in accordance with the following provisions:

(i) The Holder of a Preferred Share who is a Non-U.S. Person pursuant to Regulation S under the Securities Act may transfer such Preferred Share prior to the expiration of a one-year period beginning on the later of the Closing Date or on the day on which the offer of the Preferred Shares is completed (as notified in writing to the Paying Agent) (the “**Distribution Compliance Period**”), only (1) to a Non-U.S. Person who certifies that it is not a U.S. Person and is not acquiring the Preferred Share for the account or benefit of any U.S. Person and is a “qualified institutional buyer” within the meaning of Rule 144A under the Securities Act or (2) to a U.S. Person who agrees to receive a Restricted Preferred Share (as such term is defined in paragraph (ii) below) and who certifies that it is a “qualified institutional buyer” within the meaning of Rule 144A under the Securities Act and, in each case, agrees to resell such Preferred Share only in accordance with the provisions of Regulation S and Rule 144A, pursuant to

registration under the Securities Act, or pursuant to an available exemption from registration under the Securities Act and agrees not to engage in hedging transactions with regard to such securities unless in compliance with the Securities Act. Each Holder of a Preferred Share (other than Non-U.S. Persons purchasing Preferred Shares in reliance on Regulation S and Rule 144A) is required to be a "qualified purchaser" within the meaning of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act or a "knowledgeable employee" within the meaning of Rule 3c-5 of the Investment Company Act and may only transfer such Preferred Share to a U.S. Person if that U.S. Person is also a "qualified purchaser" within the meaning of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act or a "knowledgeable employee" within the meaning of Rule 3c-5 of the Investment Company Act.

(ii) A Holder of a Preferred Share (a "**Restricted Preferred Share**") who is a U.S. Person may at any time transfer its interest in such Preferred Share only (a) to a Non-U.S. Person pursuant to Regulation S who is a "qualified institutional buyer" within the meaning of Rule 144A under the Securities Act and (b) to a "qualified institutional buyer" within the meaning of Rule 144A under the Securities Act not requiring registration under the Securities Act, and, in the case of clause (b), only to a transferee who is also a "qualified purchaser" within the meaning of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act or a "knowledgeable employee" within the meaning of Rule 3c-5 of the Investment Company Act.

(iii) The Transfer Agent shall require, prior to any such transfer of a Preferred Share, receipt by the Transfer Agent and the Issuer of (A) an Investor Certificate from such Preferred Shareholder's transferee and (B) a Regulation S Transferor Certificate and a Rule 144A Transferor Certificate from such Holder, in each case certifying to the foregoing and the other matters covered by the forms of such certificates prescribed by this Agreement. Upon receipt of the Investor Certificate and the relevant Transferor Certificate, and the surrender to the Transfer Agent of the Preferred Share Certificate to be so transferred, the Transfer Agent shall cancel such Preferred Share Certificate, and the Issuer shall execute and provide to the Transfer Agent, and the Transfer Agent shall deliver, a Preferred Share Certificate representing the Preferred Shares intended to be transferred to such transferee (and, in the event of a partial transfer, the Issuer shall execute and provide to the Transfer Agent, and the Transfer Agent shall deliver, a Preferred Share Certificate representing the remaining balance to the transferring Holder). The Issuer shall cause the Share Register to be updated accordingly.

(iv) Transfers of beneficial interests in the Regulation S Global Preferred Shares may only be made by book-entry transfer of beneficial interests in the Regulation S Global Shares within Euroclear and/or Clearstream (and subject to the Specialized Depository's applicable procedures) to non-U.S. Persons in accordance with Regulation S who are also "qualified institutional buyers" within the meaning of Rule 144A under the Securities Act. Each subsequent transferee shall be deemed to have made the applicable representation set forth in this Section 8(b)

(v) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in the event any Holder of Class II Preferred Shares wishes to transfer all or a portion of its Class II Preferred Shares (the "**Class II Seller**") to any qualified third party purchaser (the "**Class II Buyer**"), including any holders of preferred shares (the "**Holding Preferred Shares**") of Rockwall Investors Corp. ("**Investors Corp.**"), such transfer shall only be effected by the Issuer redeeming such Class II Preferred Shares and correspondingly issuing new Class I Preferred Shares and Investors Corp. issuing new Holding Preferred Shares in accordance with this Section 8(b)(v) and the applicable provisions of the Articles of Association of each of the Issuer and Investors Corp. At least 10 days prior to any transfer by a Class II Seller to a Class II Buyer, such Class II Seller and Class II Buyer shall

jointly notify the Issuer, the Transfer Agent, the Servicer and Investors Corp. of their intention to effect such transfer of Class II Preferred Shares, in the form of Exhibit F (attached hereto) indicating the number of Class II Preferred Shares to be sold and the corresponding number of Class I Preferred Shares to be issued and transferred to Investors Corp. and the number of Holding Preferred Shares to be issued and acquired by the Class II Buyer, the price for such purchase and sale and the date on which such purchase and sale is expected to occur (such notice, the "**Sale Notice**"). The Issuer shall, on the date indicated in the Sale Notice subject to such redemption being approved in writing by the Board of Directors of the Issuer and subject to such redemption being in respect of 200,000 Class II Preferred Shares or more, redeem the indicated number of Class II Preferred Shares to be sold by the Class II Seller and issue an equal number of Class I Preferred Shares registered in the name of Investors Corp. Simultaneously with such redemption and new issuance by the Issuer, Investors Corp., pursuant to the Investors Corp. Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement and its Articles of Association, shall issue new Holding Preferred Shares to the Class II Buyer equal in number to the number of Class II Preferred Shares being sold by the Class II Seller as indicated in the Sale Notice. The Class II Buyer shall pay Investors Corp. for its subscription to such newly issued Holding Preferred Shares in an amount indicated in the Sale Notice, Investors Corp. shall immediately apply such amount to pay the subscription price to the Issuer for the newly issued Class I Preferred Shares, and the Issuer shall immediately apply such amount to pay the redemption price to the Class II Seller for the redemption of such Class II Seller's Class II Preferred Shares.

(vi) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in the event the Holder of any Class II Preferred Shares (the "**Holding Buyer**") wishes to acquire any Holding Preferred Shares from any holder of Holding Preferred Shares (the "**Holding Seller**"), such transfer shall only be effected by the Investors Corp. redeeming Holding Preferred Shares and the Issuer redeeming a corresponding number of Class I Preferred Shares and issuing new Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with this Section 8(b)(vi) and the applicable provisions of the Articles of Association of each of the Issuer and Investors Corp. At least 10 days prior to any transfer by a Holding Seller to a Holding Buyer, such Holding Seller and Holding Buyer shall jointly notify the Issuer, the Transfer Agent, the Servicer and Investors Corp. of their intention to effect such acquisition of Holding Preferred Shares, indicating the number of Holding Preferred Shares to be sold by the Holding Seller, the corresponding number of Class I Preferred Shares to be redeemed by the Issuer and the number of Class II Preferred Shares to be issued and acquired by the Holding Buyer, respectively, the price for such purchase and sale and the date on which such purchase and sale is expected to occur (such notice, the "**Acquisition Notice**"). On the date indicated in the Sale Notice, Investors Corp. shall, subject to such redemption being approved in writing by the Board of Directors of Investors Corp. and subject to such redemption being in respect of 200,000 Holding Preferred Shares or more, redeem the indicated number of Holding Preferred Shares to be sold by Holding Seller and the Issuer shall, subject to such redemption being approved in writing by the Board of Directors of the Issuer, redeem Class I Preferred Shares in an amount equal to the number of Holding Preferred Shares being sold as indicated in the Acquisition Notice. Simultaneously with such redemption of Class I Preferred Shares, the Issuer shall issue Class II Preferred Shares to the Holding Buyer in an amount equal to the amount of Class I Preferred Shares being redeemed as indicated in the Acquisition Notice. The Holding Buyer shall pay the Issuer for its subscription to such newly issued Class II Preferred Shares in an amount indicated in the Acquisition Notice, the Issuer shall immediately apply such amount to pay the redemption price to Investors Corp. for the redemption of the Class I Preferred Shares, and Investors Corp. shall immediately apply such amount to pay the redemption price to Holding Seller for the redemption of the Holding Preferred Shares.

The Investor Certificate and any Rule 144A Transferor Certificate or Regulation S Transferor Certificate furnished pursuant to this Section 8(b) may be relied on conclusively by the Transfer Agent in determining whether the provisions of this Section 8(b) have been complied with. None of the Issuer, the Transfer Agent, or any other Person shall be required to register the Preferred Shares under the Securities Act or any state securities laws.

Notwithstanding anything in this Section 8 to the contrary, in connection with any sale of Bear Preferred Shares by Bear Stearns, no delivery of an Investor Certificate, a 144A/Transferor Certificate or a Regulation S Transferor Certificate (as applicable) shall be required so long as each purchaser of Notes executes and delivers a transferee certificate acceptable to Bear Stearns (which certificate shall contain a representation that the transferee is a "qualified institutional buyer" within the meaning of Rule 144A under the Securities Act and shall, in the case of any transfer pursuant to Section 8(b)(iii), identify each transferee of a beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Preferred Share, including name, address, payment instructions and such other information as the Transfer Agent or Common Depositary reasonably may require), which transferee certificate shall be delivered to the Transfer Agent.

(c) The applicable procedures utilized or imposed from time to time by any Clearance System (collectively, "**Applicable Procedures**") shall be applicable to the Regulation S Global Preferred Shares insofar as and to the extent beneficial interests in such Regulation S Global Preferred Shares are held by the agent members of or participants in Euroclear or Clearstream. Account holders or agent members of or participants in Euroclear or Clearstream shall have no rights under this Agreement with respect to such Regulation S Global Preferred Shares, and the Specialized Depositary as registered Holder of the Regulation S Global Preferred Shares may be treated by the Issuer and the Paying Agent as the owner of such Regulation S Global Preferred Shares for all purposes whatsoever. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein shall prevent the Issuer or the Paying Agent from giving effect to any written certification, proxy or other authorization furnished by any Clearance System or impair, as between the Clearance System and its agent members or participants, the operation of customary practices governing the exercise of the rights of a Holder of any Regulation S Global Preferred Shares. Requests or directions from, or votes of the Specialized Depositary or any Clearance System with respect to any matter shall not be deemed inconsistent if made with respect to (or in separate proportions corresponding to) different beneficial owners. The Paying Agent shall have no duty to monitor, maintain records concerning (or determine compliance with any of the restrictions on transfer set forth herein with respect to) owners of beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Preferred Shares. The Paying Agent shall have no liability for the accuracy of the records of the Specialized Depositary or any Clearance System, or any actions or omissions of the Specialized Depositary or any Clearance System (or of the agent members of or participants in any Clearance System).

(d) Except with respect to Preferred Shares sold to the Initial Purchaser, the minimum number of Preferred Shares (including the Preferred Share Components of the Combination Notes) that may be sold by the Issuer on the Closing Date or transferred by any Holder of Preferred Shares shall be 200,000 and integral multiples of \$1 share in excess thereof.

(e) Global Preferred Shares will trade nominally in an amount equal to \$1 for each Preferred Share.

(f) The Preferred Shares may not be acquired or held by any employee benefit plan (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) subject to Title I of ERISA ("**ERISA Plan**" and, together with individual retirement accounts and Keogh plans subject to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, "**Plans**") or Plan or other "benefit plan investor" (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101) ("**Benefit Plan Investor**"), including a life insurance company general account or a governmental or foreign plan that is generally not subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code. However, Preferred Shares

may be acquired and held by or on behalf of, or with “plan assets” of, a Plan or other Benefit Plan Investor if (a)(1)(A) the investor is purchasing the Preferred Shares with assets of an “insurance company general account” (within the meaning of PTCE 95-60) (a “**General Account**”); (B) the investor’s purchase and holding of the Preferred Shares are eligible for the exemptive relief afforded under Section I of PTCE 95-60; (C) less than 25% of the assets of such General Account constitute “plan assets” of Benefit Plan Investors; and (D) if, after the initial acquisition of the Preferred Shares, during any calendar quarter, 25% or more of the assets of such General Account (as determined by such insurance company) constitute “plan assets” of any Plan or other Benefit Plan Investor and full exemptive relief from the prohibited transaction prohibitions of Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code is not available under Section 401(c) of ERISA and the regulations thereunder then such investor will dispose of all of the Preferred Shares then held in such General Account by the end of the next following calendar quarter; (2) the investor’s purchase and holding of the Preferred Shares are eligible for the exemptive relief afforded under PTCE 96-23, 91-38, 90-1 or 84-14; or (3) it is purchasing the Preferred Shares solely with “plan assets” not subject to Title I of ERISA, Section 4975 of the Code or similar law; and (b) after giving effect to such purchase and all other purchases occurring simultaneously therewith, less than 25% of each Class of the Preferred Shares (excluding the Preferred Shares held by the Servicer and its affiliates or clients) will constitute “plan assets” of Benefit Plan Investors. Additionally, no transfer may be made unless the Issuer shall have determined that the transfer is not being effected through an “established securities market” within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.7704-1(b) and will not result in the Issuer having more than 75 shareholders (determined in conformity with Treasury Regulation Section 1.7704-1(h)(3)).

By its purchase of the Preferred Shares, each purchaser and transferee will be required to represent, warrant and agree in writing that (i) its purchase and holding of such Preferred Shares will satisfy the ERISA requirements described in the preceding paragraph and (ii) it will not assign or transfer such Preferred Shares unless (1) the proposed assignee or transferee delivers a letter to the Issuer evidencing its agreement to the foregoing ERISA representations and covenants with respect to its purchase, holding and transfer of such Preferred Shares; and (2) if the investor (x) is not (and is not acting on behalf of) a Benefit Plan Investor, the assignee or transferee will also not be a Benefit Plan Investor; or (y) is (or is acting on behalf of) a General Account, the assignee or transferee will be accurately identified in such letter as either another General Account or a person who is not (and is not acting on behalf of) a Benefit Plan Investor; or (z) is (or is acting on behalf of or with “plan assets” of) a Benefit Plan Investor (other than a General Account), the assignee or transferee will be accurately identified in such letter as either a General Account, another Benefit Plan Investor or a person who is not (and is not acting on behalf of) any Benefit Plan Investor; provided that for purposes of clauses (x), (y) and (z), a transfer by a Holder (the “**Transferring Holder**”) to Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. in a secondary market transaction and subsequent transfers by Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. to a Holder (the “**Transferee Holder**”), shall be deemed to be a transfer by the Transferring Holder to the Transferee Holder and Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. may therefore transfer such Preferred Shares to any potential Holder to whom the Transferring Holder would be permitted to transfer.

(g) No Preferred Share shall be sold or transferred (including, without limitation, by pledge or hypothecation) to a U.S. Person unless such purchaser or transferee is a “qualified purchaser” within the meaning of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act or a “knowledgeable employee” within the meaning of Rule 3c-5 of the Investment Company Act. The Transfer Agent may conclusively rely on the statement in any Investor Certificate, and shall be entitled to rely conclusively on the continuing accuracy thereof from time to time (unless and until a Responsible Officer is otherwise notified in writing by the signatory thereto or by the Issuer) in determining whether the provisions of this Section 8(f) have been complied with. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, no transfer of a Preferred Share may be made if such transfer would require registration of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Investment Company Act (subject, with respect to the Transfer Agent’s duties, to Section 8(g) below).

(h) At any time when the Issuer is not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, upon the request of any Preferred Shareholder, the Issuer shall promptly furnish to such Preferred Shareholder or to a prospective purchaser of any Preferred Share designated by such Preferred Shareholder, as the case may be, the information which the Issuer determines to be required to be delivered pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act (“**Rule 144A Information**”) in order to permit compliance by such Preferred Shareholder with Rule 144A in connection with the resale of such Preferred Share by such Preferred Shareholder; *provided that* the Issuer shall not be required to provide audited financial statements more than once a year or to furnish Rule 144A Information in connection with any request made on or after the date that is three years from the later of (i) the date such Preferred Share (or any predecessor Preferred Share) was acquired from the Issuer or (ii) the date such Preferred Share (or any predecessor Preferred Share) was last acquired from an “affiliate” of the Issuer within the meaning of Rule 144A, in each case as determined by the Issuer. Upon request by the Issuer, the Transfer Agent shall cooperate with the Issuer in mailing or otherwise distributing (at the Issuer’s expense) to such Preferred Shareholders or prospective purchasers, at and pursuant to the Issuer’s written direction, the foregoing materials prepared and provided by the Issuer, *provided that* the Transfer Agent shall be entitled to affix thereto or enclose therewith such disclaimers as the Transfer Agent shall deem reasonably appropriate, at its discretion (such as, for example, a disclaimer that such Rule 144A Information was assembled by the Issuer, and not by the Transfer Agent, that the Transfer Agent has not reviewed or verified the accuracy thereof, and that it makes no representation as to the sufficiency of such information under Rule 144A or for any other purpose).

(i) Neither the Transfer Agent nor the Paying Agent shall be responsible for ascertaining whether any transfer of the Preferred Shares complies with, or otherwise for monitoring or determining compliance with, the requirements or terms of the Securities Act, applicable state securities laws, ERISA, the Code or the Investment Company Act; except that if a certificate is specifically required by the terms of this Section 8 to be provided to the Transfer Agent or the Paying Agent by a transferee of the Preferred Shares, a transferor of the Preferred Shares, or the Issuer, the Transfer Agent or the Paying Agent, as applicable, shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine whether it conforms substantially on its face to the applicable requirements of this Section 8.

(j) If a Responsible Officer of the Transfer Agent becomes aware that (i) a transfer or attempted or purported transfer of any of the Preferred Shares or any interest therein was consummated in compliance with the provisions of this Section 8 on the basis of a materially incorrect certification from the transferor or purported transferee, (ii) a transferee failed to deliver to the Transfer Agent any certificate required to be delivered hereunder, or (iii) the Holder of any Preferred Share or interest therein is in material breach of any representation or agreement set forth in any certificate or any deemed representation or agreement of such Holder, then the Transfer Agent will not register such attempted or purported transfer, and, if a transfer has been registered, such transfer shall be absolutely null and void *ab initio* and shall vest no rights in the purported transferee (such purported transferee, a “**Disqualified Transferee**”), and the last preceding Holder of such Preferred Share that was not a Disqualified Transferee shall be restored to all rights as a Holder thereof retroactively to the date of transfer of such Preferred Share by such Holder.

#### Section 9. Liability.

Neither the Paying Agent nor the Transfer Agent nor the directors, officers, employees or agents of either of them shall be liable for any act or omission hereunder except that the Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent shall be liable in the case of gross negligence, bad faith, or willful misconduct of the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent or any of their respective directors, officers, employees, affiliates or agents, as the case may be, in violation of the duties of the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent under this Agreement. The duties and obligations of the Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent and their respective



employees or agents shall be determined solely by the express provisions of this Agreement, and they shall not be liable except for the performance of such duties and obligations as are specifically set forth herein, and no implied covenants shall be read into this Agreement against them. The Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent may consult with counsel selected by them with reasonable care and shall be protected in any action reasonably taken in good faith in accordance with the advice of such counsel.

The Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent each may rely conclusively on any notice, certificate or other document furnished to it hereunder and reasonably believed by it in good faith to be genuine. Neither the Paying Agent nor the Transfer Agent shall be liable for any action taken by it in good faith and reasonably believed by it to be within the discretion or powers conferred upon it, or taken by it pursuant to any direction or instruction by which it is governed hereunder, or omitted to be taken by it by reason of the lack of direction or instruction required hereby for such action. The Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent shall in no event be liable for the application or misapplication of funds by any other Person, or for the acts or omissions of any other Person. The Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent shall not be bound to make any investigation into the facts or matters stated in any certificate, report or other document; *provided that*, if the form thereof is prescribed by this Agreement, the Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent, as the case may be, shall examine the same to determine whether it conforms on its face to the requirements hereof. The Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent each may exercise or carry out any of its duties under this Agreement either directly or indirectly through agents or attorneys, and shall not be responsible for any acts or omissions on the part of any such agent or attorney appointed with due care, provided that the Paying Agent or, as the case may be, the Transfer Agent ensure that such agent or attorney are directly liable to the Issuer. To the extent permitted by applicable law, neither the Paying Agent nor the Transfer Agent shall be required to give any bond or surety in the execution of its duties. Neither the Paying Agent nor the Transfer Agent shall be deemed to have knowledge or notice of any matter unless actually known by a Responsible Officer of the Paying Agent or Transfer Agent, as applicable, or unless the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent, as applicable, has received written notice thereof from the Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee, or the Holder of a Preferred Share. The Paying Agent shall not be obligated to make payments hereunder unless it has received (or is reasonably certain it will receive) the applicable amounts from the Trustee for which such payment is to be made.

#### Section 10. Indemnification.

Subject to the terms of the Indenture, the Issuer agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent, and their respective directors, officers, employees, affiliates and agents from and against any and all liabilities, costs and expenses (including reasonable legal fees and expenses) relating to or arising out of or in connection with its or their performance under this Agreement, except to the extent that they are caused by the gross negligence, bad faith, or willful misconduct of the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent, as the case may be. The foregoing indemnity includes, but is not limited to, any action taken or omitted in good faith within the scope of this Agreement upon telephone, telecopier or other electronically transmitted instructions, if authorized herein, received from or reasonably believed by the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent, as the case may be, acting in good faith, to have been given by, an Authorized Representative. This indemnity shall survive the resignation or removal of the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent, as the case may be, and the satisfaction or termination of this Agreement.

#### Section 11. Compensation of the Paying Agent and Transfer Agent.

Pursuant to, and at the times and to the extent contemplated by the Indenture, the Issuer shall pay to the Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent compensation at such amounts and/or rates as shall be agreed between the Issuer and, as applicable, the Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent and from time to time shall reimburse the Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent for their respective reasonable out-of-pocket expenses (including reasonable legal fees and expenses), disbursements, and advances incurred or made

in accordance with any provisions of this Agreement, except any such expense, disbursement, or advance that may be attributable to its gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct. The obligations of the Issuer to the Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent pursuant to the Indenture and this Section shall survive the resignation or removal of the Trustee and the satisfaction or termination of this Agreement. Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary (other than with respect to Section 28), to the extent any amounts owing to the Paying Agent and/or the Transfer Agent from time to time pursuant to this Section 11 shall remain unpaid, the Paying Agent and/or the Transfer Agent shall be entitled, after having provided reasonable notice in writing to the Issuer, the Trustee, to pay to itself, for application to such unpaid amounts, any funds held or received by it at any time or times under or pursuant to this Agreement prior to making payment of amounts otherwise required under this Agreement to be made to the Preferred Shareholders (or any other Persons).

## Section 12. Notices.

(a) All communications by or on behalf of the Issuer relating to the transfer, exchange, or payment in respect of a Preferred Share or any interest therein shall be directed to the Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent at its address set forth in subsection (c)(ii) hereof.

(b) The Paying Agent shall notify the Preferred Shareholders of the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture of which it receives notice from the Trustee.

Where this Agreement provides for notice to Preferred Shareholders of any event, such notice shall be sufficiently given (unless otherwise herein expressly provided) if such notice is in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, to each Preferred Shareholder affected by such event, at such Preferred Shareholder's address as it appears on the Share Register, in the case of (a) or (b) not later than the latest date, and not earlier than the earliest date, prescribed for the giving of such notice.

Neither the failure to mail such notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Preferred Shareholder shall affect the sufficiency of such notice with respect to other Preferred Shareholders. Any notice that is given in the manner herein provided shall conclusively be presumed to have been duly given whether or not actually received by such Preferred Shareholder. Any notice to Preferred Shareholders provided for in this Agreement will be deemed to have been given on the date of mailing.

Where this Agreement provides for notice in any manner, such notice may be waived in writing by any Person entitled to receive such notice, either before or after the event, and such waiver shall be the equivalent of such notice. Waivers of notice by Preferred Shareholders shall be filed with the Paying Agent but such filing shall not be a condition precedent to the validity of any action taken in reliance upon such waiver.

In the event that, by reason of the suspension of the regular mail service as a result of a strike, work stoppage or similar activity, it shall be impractical to mail notice of any event to Preferred Shareholders when such notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this Agreement, then any manner of giving such notice as shall be satisfactory to the Paying Agent shall be deemed to be a sufficient giving of such notice.

(c) Notices and other communications hereunder shall (except to the extent otherwise expressly provided) be in writing and shall be addressed as follows, or to such other addresses as the parties hereto shall specify from time to time:

- (i) if to the Issuer:

ROCKWALL CDO LTD.  
c/o Maples Finance Limited  
P.O. Box 1093GT  
Queensgate House  
South Church Street  
George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands  
Attention: The Directors  
Telephone: (345) 945-7099  
Telefax: (345) 945-7100

- (ii) if to the Trustee, the Paying Agent or to the Transfer Agent:

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association  
600 Travis Street, 50th Floor  
Houston, Texas 77002  
Attention: Worldwide Securities Services – Rockwall CDO  
Telephone: (713) 216-2024  
Facsimile: (713) 216-3572

- (iii) if to the Servicer:

Highland Capital Management, LP  
Two Galleria Tower  
13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300  
Dallas, Texas 75240  
Attention: Jim Dondero  
Telephone: (972) 628-4100  
Facsimile: (972) 628-4147

- (iv) if to Investors Corp.:

ROCKWALL INVESTORS CORP.  
c/o Maples Finance Limited  
P.O. Box 1093GT  
Queensgate House  
South Church Street  
George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands  
Attention: The Directors  
Telephone: (345) 945-70

- (v) if to the Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc.:

Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc.  
383 Madison Avenue  
New York, New York 10179  
Telephone: (212) 272-4955  
Attention: Strategic Financial Products, Senior Managing Director

Section 13. Resignation or Removal of Paying Agent and Appointment of Successor Paying Agent; Merger, Conversion and Consolidation.

(a) The Issuer agrees, for the benefit of the Holders from time to time of the Preferred Shares, that there shall at all times be a Paying Agent and a Transfer Agent hereunder, each of which shall be a company authorized to engage in the activities set forth in this Agreement, subject to supervision or examination by governmental authorities, until all the Preferred Shares shall have been redeemed.

(b) The Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent may at any time resign as such agent by giving written notice to the Issuer and S&P of such intention on its part, specifying the date on which its desired resignation shall become effective; *provided that* such date shall be not less than 90 days after the giving of such notice by the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent to the Issuer. The Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent may be removed at any time by the filing with it of an instrument in writing signed by an Authorized Representative of the Issuer and specifying such removal and the date, which shall be at least thirty days after the date of such written notice, upon which it is intended to become effective. The Issuer shall give written notice of any removal of the Paying Agent or Transfer Agent to S&P. Any such resignation or removal shall take effect on the date of the appointment by the Issuer of a successor Paying Agent or Transfer Agent and the acceptance of such appointment by such successor Paying Agent or Transfer Agent that qualifies as such under Section 13(a) hereof. The Issuer shall give written notice of the appointment of any successor Paying Agent or Transfer Agent to S&P. In the event of resignation by the Paying Agent or Transfer Agent, if a successor agent has not been appointed by the Issuer within 90 days after the giving of notice by the Paying Agent or Transfer Agent of its intention to resign, the Paying Agent or Transfer Agent, as applicable, may, at the expense of the Issuer, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for appointment of a successor Paying Agent or Transfer Agent provided that it shall be qualified under Section 13(a) hereof. Upon any such resignation or removal, the Paying Agent shall transfer to the successor Paying Agent or Transfer Agent (or, if none shall have been appointed, to the Issuer) all monies held by the Paying Agent or Transfer Agent on behalf of the Issuer in respect of any Preferred Shares and all books and records related to Preferred Shares maintained by the Paying Agent or Transfer Agent, including a copy of the Share Register.

(c) Any corporation or bank into which the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent hereunder may be merged or converted, or any corporation or bank with which the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent may be consolidated, or any corporation or bank resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent shall be a party, or any corporation or bank to which the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent shall sell or otherwise transfer all or substantially all of the assets and business of the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent, provided that it shall be qualified under Section 13(a) hereof, shall be the successor Paying Agent or successor Transfer Agent, as applicable, under this Agreement, without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto.

(d) The successor Paying Agent or the successor Transfer Agent, as applicable, shall give prompt notice of the resignation and removal of the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent, as applicable, and the appointment of a successor Paying Agent or successor Transfer Agent, as applicable, by notifying the Holders of the Preferred Shares in accordance with Section 12 hereof. Each notice shall include the name of the successor Paying Agent or successor Transfer Agent, as applicable, and the address of the office from which this Agreement shall be administered.

Section 14. Benefit of Agreement.

This Agreement is solely for the benefit of the parties hereto, the Holders of the Preferred Shares from time to time, and their respective successors and assigns, and nothing herein, express or implied,

shall give to any other persons any benefits or any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under or by virtue of this Agreement. No party hereto may assign any of its rights or obligations hereunder except with the prior written consent of all the parties hereto.

Section 15. Preferred Shares Held by the Paying Agent; Other Business Relations.

Each of the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent, in its individual or other capacity, may become the owner or pledgee of Preferred Shares with the same rights it would have if it were not acting as Paying Agent or Transfer Agent hereunder. The Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent may each conduct other business with the Issuer from time to time (including but not limited to its appointment and service as a paying agent under the Indenture).

Section 16. Amendment.

(a) Without the consent of any Holders of Preferred Shares, the Issuer, the Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent, at any time, may enter into one or more agreements supplemental hereto for any of the following purposes:

(1) to evidence the succession of a successor entity to the Issuer and the assumption by any such successor of the covenants of the Issuer herein and in the Preferred Shares;

(2) to take any action deemed reasonably necessary by the Issuer to prevent the reduction of dividends payable on the Preferred Shares as a result of the imposition of any taxes;

(3) to evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment hereunder by a successor Paying Agent or Transfer Agent with respect to the Preferred Shares;

(4) to correct any manifest error with respect to any provision herein;

(5) to cure any ambiguity, correct or supplement any provision herein which may be inconsistent with any other provision hereunder, or to make any other provisions with respect to matters or questions arising herein;

(6) to take any action necessary or helpful to prevent the Issuer from being subject to any withholding or other taxes, fees or assessments or to reduce the risk that the Issuer or the Paying Agent, as applicable, will be engaged in a United States trade or business or otherwise subject to United States income tax on a net income basis; or

(7) to prevent the Issuer from becoming an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act or better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 thereunder; *provided* that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental agreement, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Initial Purchaser shall have (A) satisfied the Rating Condition with respect to such supplemental agreement and (B) received a customary, unqualified opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such supplemental agreement, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act;

*provided* that in each case that such action for any matters described in clauses (1) through (6) will not adversely affect the interests of the Holders of Preferred Shares in any material respect.

(b) With the consent of the Majority Preferred Shareholders affected by a supplemental agreement or agreement referred to below, the Issuer and the Paying Agent and/or Transfer Agent, as

applicable, may enter into an agreement or agreements supplemental hereto for the purpose of adding any provisions to, or changing in any manner or eliminating any of the provisions of, this Agreement or of modifying in any manner the rights of the Holders of Preferred Shares under this Agreement; *provided* that no such supplemental agreement will, without the consent of the Holder of each outstanding Preferred Share affected thereby:

(1) change the method or methods by which dividends will be determined for any Preferred Share or reduce the par value thereof or change the coin or currency in which such amounts are payable, or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after the stated maturity thereof;

(2) reduce the percentage amount of the outstanding Preferred Shares, the consent of whose Holders is required for any such supplemental agreement, or the consent of whose Holders is required for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of this Agreement or certain defaults hereunder and their consequences provided for in this Agreement; or

(3) modify any of the provisions of this Agreement relating to the modification thereof, except to increase any such percentage or to provide that certain other provisions of this Agreement cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each outstanding Preferred Share affected thereby.

The Issuer shall provide to each Initial Rating Agency then rating any Notes, written notice of any such supplemental agreement or agreement supplemental to this Agreement at least 5 days prior to the execution thereof.

Prior to executing any amendment, the Issuer shall provide to the Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent an Opinion of Counsel stating that such amendment is authorized and permitted hereunder.

In the event that any amendment is consented to by the Issuer and 100% of the aggregate outstanding Preferred Shares and the Rating Condition is satisfied or is specifically waived by all consenting parties, all conditions precedent to the execution of such amendment shall be deemed satisfied, the execution of such amendment shall be authorized or permitted by this Agreement, and the Paying and Transfer Agent shall execute and accept the such amendment pursuant to this Section 16 without obtaining an Opinion of Counsel.

In the case of any supplemental Indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of the Notes or Preferred Shares, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Notes and Preferred Shares held by such Holder whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental Indenture (the "**Amendment Buy-Out Option**") for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all Notes and Preferred Shares of Non-Consenting Holders, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes or Preferred Shares the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an "**Amendment Buy-Out**"). By its acceptance of a Note or Preferred Share, each Holder of a Note and Preferred Share agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder shall be required to sell its applicable Note or Preferred Share to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

All purchases made pursuant to the Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Preferred Shares set forth herein and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

Section 17. Governing Law.

This Agreement is to be delivered and performed in, and shall be construed and enforced in accordance with, and the rights of the parties shall be governed by, the laws of the State of New York.

Section 18. Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed by the parties hereto in any number of counterparts, and by each of the parties hereto in separate counterparts, and each such counterpart, when so executed and delivered, shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

Section 19. Exhibits.

The exhibits to this Agreement are hereby incorporated and made a part hereof and are an integral part of this Agreement.

Section 20. No Petition.

The Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent, by entering into this Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, each hereby covenant and agree that they will not at any time institute against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, or voluntarily join in any institution against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of, any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency or liquidation proceedings, or other proceedings under any Cayman Islands, United States federal or state bankruptcy or similar law of any jurisdiction within or without the United States in connection with any obligations relating to the Preferred Shares or this Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement for a period of one-year and one-day (or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect) following the Trust Termination Date or, if later, the date upon which the Preferred Shares are redeemed.

Section 21. Prescription.

Dividends and the Redemption Price payable with respect to the Preferred Shares will cease to be payable by the Issuer if the share certificates with respect to the Preferred Shares are not presented for payment within ten years from the related Relevant Date therefor. **"Relevant Date"** means the date on which the final payment in respect of the Preferred Shares first becomes due, except that if the full amount of the monies payable has not been duly received by the Paying Agent on or prior to such due date, it means the date on which such monies have been so received.

Section 22. Identification of Preferred Shareholders.

On demand of the Issuer, a Holder of a Preferred Share will notify the Issuer whether or not the Preferred Share is held by a U.S. Person and the name and status of the Holder as an individual, partnership, limited liability company, corporation, trust or other entity and such other information the Issuer shall reasonably request for purposes of tax reporting of the Issuer or other Preferred Shareholders (including, in the case of a Holder that is a pass-through entity for federal income tax purposes, information relating to the beneficial owners of the Holder).

Section 23. QEF Election/Subpart F Income /Withholding.

(a) If required to prevent the withholding and imposition of United States income tax, the Issuer shall deliver or cause to be delivered a United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-8IMY to each

withholding agent related to an item of Portfolio Collateral and each issuer of an Eligible Investment included in the Trust Estate at the time such item of Portfolio Collateral or Eligible Investment is purchased by the Issuer and annually thereafter.

(b) It is the intention of the parties hereto and, by its acceptance of a Preferred Share, each holder of a Preferred Share shall be deemed to have agreed not to treat the Issuer as being engaged in the active conduct of a banking, financing, insurance, or other similar business for purposes of section 954(e)(2) of the Code.

(c) Notwithstanding that the Issuer anticipates being characterized as a partnership for federal income tax purposes, the Issuer will take all actions necessary in order to permit any holder of equity in the Issuer (including Holders of Preferred Shares) or any holder of a Note that is or may reasonably be characterized as an equity interest in the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes, to make a protective "qualified electing fund" election with respect to the Issuer for United States income tax purposes.

Section 24. Acceptance of Section 13.12 of the Indenture.

The Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent shall be bound by Section 13.12 of the Indenture entitled "No Issuer Office Within the United States."

Section 25. Termination of the Trust Estate by the Trustee.

Within one Business Day of, the Trust Termination Date, the Trustee shall remit to the Paying Agent all Excess Cash Flow, and the Paying Agent shall distribute all of such Excess Cash Flow to the Preferred Shareholders in redemption of the Preferred Shares and, if applicable, in payment of dividends with respect to the Preferred Shares.

Section 26. Covenants of the Issuer.

(a) The Issuer, for the benefit of the Holders of the Preferred Shares hereby incorporates *mutatis mutandis* the covenants of the Issuer set forth in the Indenture.

(b) The Issuer shall not take the following actions without consent of the Majority Preferred Shareholders:

- (i) the exercise of the Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.1 of the Indenture;
- (ii) the exercise of the Tax Event Redemption pursuant to Section 9.5 of the Indenture; or
- (iii) any amendment to the Indenture increasing the Applicable Periodic Rate for any Class X Notes, Class A Notes or Class B Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of any Class of Notes, the Optional Redemption Price or the Mandatory Redemption Price or modifying Article XI of the Indenture in a manner that affects or limits in any respect the amount of distributions that will be made with respect to the Preferred Shares.

It shall be the responsibility of the Issuer to satisfy the Paying Agent as to the compliance with the foregoing conditions (on which the Paying Agent may rely in good faith).



(c) Without the consent of Preferred Shareholders representing at least 66-2/3% of the Preferred Shares materially and adversely affected thereby, the Issuer shall not enter into any amendment or supplement to the Indenture that shall:

(i) change the Final Maturity Date of any Note or the Payment Date of any Note or Preferred Share, reduce the principal amount, notional principal amount or stated amount of any Note, as the case may be, or the means of determining the Applicable Periodic Rate, the Optional Redemption Price, the Special Redemption Price or the Mandatory Redemption Price, as applicable, with respect thereto, change the provisions of the Indenture relating to the application of proceeds of the Trust Estate to the payment of the Notes or the Preferred Shares or change the jurisdiction where any Note or Preferred Share is payable, or the coin or currency in which, any Note, any Preferred Share or any amount thereunder is payable, or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after the maturity thereof;

(ii) reduce the percentage in Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes or amount of the Preferred Shares, the consent of the Holders of which is required for the execution of any amendment or supplement to the Indenture, or the consent of the Holders of which is required for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of the Indenture or certain Events of Default thereunder and their consequences provided for in the Indenture;

(iii) impair or adversely affect the Trust Estate except as otherwise permitted in the Indenture;

(iv) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on a parity with the lien of the Indenture with respect to any part of the Trust Estate or terminate the lien of the Indenture on any property at any time subject hereto (other than pursuant to the terms of the Indenture) or deprive the Holder of any Note or any other party expressly secured thereby of the security afforded by the lien of the Indenture;

(v) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes or the number or amount of the Preferred Shares whose Holders must direct the Trustee to preserve the Trust Estate or must consent before any request is made to rescind the Trustee's election to preserve the Trust Estate pursuant to Section 5.5 of the Indenture, or to sell or liquidate the Trust Estate pursuant to Section 5.4, 5.5 or 9.7 thereof or modify the requirement for consent of any other party to which the right to consent is expressly granted thereby;

(vi) modify any of the provisions of Section 8.2 or Section 5.15 of the Indenture except to increase any such percentage or to provide that certain other provisions of the Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note affected thereby;

(vii) modify the provisions of Article XI of the Indenture or the definition of the term "Holder," "Noteholder," "Majority Noteholders," "Majority Preferred Shareholders," "Requisite Noteholders" or of the term "Outstanding";

(viii) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount or timing of any payment of interest or principal due on any Note or any payment to the Issuer for distribution to the Preferred Shareholders on any Payment Date (including the calculation of any of the individual components of such calculation) or to affect the rights of the Holders of Notes to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of such Notes contained in the Indenture; or

(ix) amend any provision of the Indenture or other such document that provides that the obligations of the Co-Issuer or the Issuer, as the case may be, are non-recourse obligations of the Co-Issuer or the Issuer, respectively, payable solely from the Collateral in accordance with the terms of the Indenture.

(d) (i) On or before sixty (60) Business Days prior to the August 2010 Payment Date, the Paying Agent shall send to each Preferred Shareholder notification of the right of the Holders of at least 75% of the outstanding Preferred Shares eligible to vote in accordance with the Indenture to direct the Issuer to exercise the Total Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.1 of the Indenture with instructions to notify the Paying Agent of its exercise of such right on or before the thirtieth Business Day preceding the proposed Optional Redemption Date (which shall be a Payment Date on or after the August 2010 Payment Date and shall be set forth in the direction by electing Preferred Shareholders to the Paying Agent), and such notification to Preferred Shareholders will be deemed sufficient if substantially in the form of Exhibit E attached hereto. Upon receipt of direction by such Preferred Shareholders to so exercise such right, the Paying Agent shall notify the Issuer and the Trustee of the Paying Agent's receipt of such direction of Preferred Shareholders and shall direct the Issuer to, and the Issuer shall, send the applicable notice in accordance with Section 9.6 of the Indenture.

(ii) On or before sixty (60) Business Days prior to the August 2010 Payment Date, the Paying Agent shall send to each Preferred Shareholder notification of the right of the Holders of at least 10% of the outstanding Preferred Shares eligible to vote in accordance with the Indenture to direct the Issuer to exercise the Partial Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.1 of the Indenture with instructions to notify the Paying Agent of its exercise of such right on or before the thirtieth Business Day preceding the proposed Optional Redemption Date (which shall be a Payment Date on or after the August 2010 Payment Date and shall be set forth in the direction by electing Preferred Shareholders to the Paying Agent), and such notification to Preferred Shareholders will be deemed sufficient if substantially in the form of Exhibit E attached hereto. Upon receipt of direction by such Preferred Shareholders to so exercise such right, the Paying Agent shall notify the Issuer and the Trustee of the Paying Agent's receipt of such direction of Preferred Shareholders and shall direct the Issuer to, and the Issuer shall, send the applicable notice in accordance with Section 9.6 of the Indenture.

(iii) If a one of the events described in Section 9.5 of the Indenture which may give rise to a Tax Event Redemption, the Paying Agent shall send to each Preferred Shareholder notification of the right of the Holders of at least 66-2/3% of the Preferred Shares eligible to vote in accordance with the Indenture to direct the Issuer to exercise the Tax Event Redemption pursuant to Section 9.5 of the Indenture with instructions to notify the Paying Agent of its exercise of such right and such notification to Preferred Shareholders will be deemed sufficient if substantially in the form of Exhibit E attached hereto. Upon receipt of direction by such Preferred Shareholders to so exercise such right, the Paying Agent shall notify the Issuer and the Trustee of the Paying Agent's receipt of such direction of Preferred Shareholders and shall direct the Issuer to, and the Issuer shall, send the applicable notice in accordance with Section 9.6 of the Indenture

(iv) Upon receipt of notice from the Issuer or the Trustee, of the final payment of principal on the Notes, the Paying Agent shall send to each Preferred Shareholder notification of the right of the Majority Preferred Shareholders to direct the Issuer to liquidate the remaining Trust Estate, in whole or in part, with instruction to notify the Paying Agent on or before the thirtieth Business Day preceding any proposed liquidation date (which date of proposed liquidation shall be set forth in such notice of election from the electing Preferred Shareholders to the Paying Agent, being a date not sooner than thirty Business Days after the date of receipt of such notice by the Paying Agent, and which notice of election from electing Preferred Shareholders shall specify the portion of the remaining Trust Estate to be liquidated), and such notification to Preferred Shareholders by the Paying Agent shall be deemed

sufficient if substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit E. Upon receipt of direction by such Preferred Shareholders to so exercise its right to require liquidation, the Paying Agent shall direct the Issuer to, and the Issuer shall, liquidate the Trust Estate; in such event, the Issuer shall deliver to the Paying Agent at least 20 days prior to such proposed liquidation date the following items:

(A) a resolution of the Issuer's Board of Directors authorizing the liquidation of the Trust Estate;

(B) forward purchase contracts between the Issuer and institutions whose unsecured short-term debt obligations are acceptable to the Issuer, which forward purchase contracts shall provide for the sale of the Collateral, or a portion thereof, at a fixed price to be delivered no later than one Business Day prior to the proposed liquidation date; and

(C) an Accountants' Certificate certifying that the monies to be received by the Issuer from the sale of the Portfolio Collateral, or a portion thereof (determined based on the fixed price set forth in the forward purchase contracts delivered to the Trustee pursuant to clause (B) above or otherwise pursuant to the Indenture), together with any Eligible Investments on deposit in the Collection Account and the Expense Reimbursement Account and any Scheduled Distributions of interest or principal to be received on the Pledged Securities prior to the proposed liquidation date, are sufficient to pay the sum of all amounts due and owing under the Indenture and this Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement to the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Paying Agent, the Transfer Agent and the Servicer and of all amounts due and owing (or to be due and owing after making the payments described above in this clause (C)) under the Indenture or this Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, plus any outstanding Issuer Base Administrative Expenses and Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses.

On the Business Day preceding the proposed liquidation date, the Collateral shall be released to the institutions specified in the forward purchase contracts against receipt of payment therefor, and the Trustee shall transfer such liquidation proceeds to the Paying Agent for deposit in the Preferred Shares Collection Account for distribution in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

Section 27. Survival of Provisions.

Notwithstanding the satisfaction and discharge of this Agreement, the rights and obligations of the Issuer, the Paying Agent, the Transfer Agent and the Preferred Shareholders under Section 13, 20, 22, 23 and 28 shall otherwise survive termination of the rights of the parties hereunder.

Section 28. Limited Recourse.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent acknowledge that the obligations of the Issuer under this Agreement will be limited recourse obligations of the Issuer payable solely from the Trust Estate. Neither the Issuer nor its Affiliates, nor any of its respective agents, partners, beneficiaries, officers, directors, employees or successors or assigns shall be personally liable for any amounts payable, or performance due, under this Agreement. Following realization of the Trust Estate and its application in accordance with the Indenture or Section 25 of this Agreement, any outstanding obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive.

Section 29. Process Agent.

The Issuer irrevocably designates and appoints CT Corporation System, 111 Eighth Avenue, New York, New York 10011, as its agent (the "Process Agent") for service of all process, such service being hereby acknowledged to be effective and binding service in every respect.

Section 30. Submission to Jurisdiction; Waiver of Jury Trial.

(a) The Issuer hereby irrevocably and unconditionally submits, for itself and its property, to the nonexclusive jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of the State of New York sitting in New York County and of the United States District Court of the Southern District of New York, and any appellate court from any thereof, in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Notes or this Agreement, or for recognition or enforcement of any judgment, and the Issuer hereby irrevocably and unconditionally agrees that all claims in respect of any such action or proceeding may be heard and determined in such New York State or, to the extent permitted by law, in such Federal court. The Issuer hereby irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of such action or proceeding in any such court. The Issuer agrees that a final judgment in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

(b) EACH PARTY HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, ANY AND ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

ROCKWALL CDO LTD.

By:   
Name: **Wendy Ebanks**  
Title: Director

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL  
ASSOCIATION, as Paying and Transfer Agent

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

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By:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: **BRUCE C. BOYD**  
Title: **VICE PRESIDENT**



Exhibit A-1

Rockwall CDO Ltd.

Number -[ ]-	Shares -[ ]-	ISIN / CUSIP [ ]
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Incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands  
U.S. \$600,250 divided into 250 Ordinary Shares of U.S. \$1.00  
and 300,000,000 Class I Preferred Shares of U.S. \$0.001

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT

-[ ]-

is the registered holder of

-[ ] Preferred Shares-

in the above-named Company subject to the Memorandum and Articles of Association thereof.

ISSUED BY the said Company on this 10th of May, 2006.

EXECUTED AS A DEED on behalf of the said Company by:

DIRECTOR

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THE PREFERRED SHARES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), ANY STATE SECURITIES LAWS IN THE UNITED STATES OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY OTHER JURISDICTION AND MAY NOT BE REOFFERED, RESOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, U.S. PERSONS, EXCEPT AS PERMITTED BY THIS LEGEND. THE HOLDER OF ANY PREFERRED SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF THIS PREFERRED SHARE CERTIFICATE, REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT REOFFER, RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER THE PREFERRED SHARES REPRESENTED BY THIS CERTIFICATE EXCEPT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT AND OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS AND EXCEPT (A) IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, WHOM THE SELLER HAS INFORMED, IN EACH CASE, THAT THE REOFFER, RESALE, PLEDGE OR OTHER TRANSFER IS BEING MADE IN RELIANCE ON RULE 144A, PROVIDED THAT SUCH PURCHASER DELIVERS ALL DOCUMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS AS THE ISSUER OR THE PAYING AGENT MAY REASONABLY REQUIRE; (B) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT TO A PERSON WHO IS ALSO A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A; (C) TO THE ISSUER OR ITS AFFILIATES; OR (D) TO ANY OTHER PERSON OR ENTITY PURSUANT TO A VALID EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT PROVIDED THAT SUCH PURCHASER DELIVERS ALL DOCUMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS AS THE ISSUER OR THE PAYING AGENT MAY REQUEST, IN EACH CASE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANY APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAW OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER JURISDICTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE PAYING AGENCY AGREEMENT. IN ADDITION, EACH PURCHASER OF PREFERRED SHARES, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE THEREOF, REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER SUCH PREFERRED SHARES EXCEPT TO A NON-U.S. PERSON THAT IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER OR TO A "QUALIFIED PURCHASER" OR "KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEE" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER IN A TRANSACTION THAT DOES NOT CAUSE THE ISSUER TO BE REQUIRED TO REGISTER UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940. FURTHER, THE PREFERRED SHARES MAY NOT BE SOLD OR TRANSFERRED TO ANY PLAN SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, TO ANY PERSON ACTING ON BEHALF OF OR WITH "PLAN ASSETS" OF ANY SUCH PLAN, OR TO ANY OTHER BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR (AS DEFINED IN UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR REGULATION SECTION 2510.3-101(f)(2)), INCLUDING AN INSURANCE COMPANY GENERAL ACCOUNT, EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR RELATING TO THE PREFERRED SHARES. ADDITIONALLY, NO TRANSFER MAY BE MADE UNLESS THE ISSUER SHALL HAVE DETERMINED THAT THE TRANSFER IS NOT BEING EFFECTED THROUGH AN "ESTABLISHED SECURITIES MARKET" WITHIN THE MEANING OF TREASURY REGULATION SECTION 1.7704-1(b) AND WILL NOT RESULT IN THE ISSUER HAVING MORE THAN 75 SHAREHOLDERS (DETERMINED IN CONFORMITY WITH TREASURY REGULATION SECTION 1.7704-1(h)(3)).

TRANSFERS OF THE PREFERRED SHARES MAY ONLY BE MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE PAYING AGENCY AGREEMENT.

TRANSFERS OF THE PREFERRED SHARES MUST GENERALLY BE ACCOMPANIED BY APPROPRIATE TAX TRANSFER DOCUMENTATION.



Exhibit A-2

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Number  
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Shares  
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**Exhibit B**

**FORM OF INVESTOR LETTER FOR PURCHASERS  
([CLASS I][CLASS II] PREFERRED SHARES)**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association  
600 Travis Street, 50th Floor  
Houston, Texas 77002

Re: Rockwall CDO Ltd./[Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The undersigned proposes to purchase the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares identified below issued by Rockwall CDO Ltd. (the "Issuer") pursuant to the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, to be dated as of May 10, 2006 (the "Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement"), between the Issuer and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as Paying and Transfer Agent (the "Paying and Transfer Agent"). In connection with our proposed purchase of such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares we acknowledge, represent, agree and confirm that:

1. The [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares have not been and will not be registered under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), or registered or qualified under the securities or "Blue Sky" laws of any jurisdiction, and may not be resold or otherwise transferred except pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws and that the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares are subject to restriction on transfer as set forth in Section 8 of the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement.

2. We are (i)(A)(1) a "qualified institutional buyer" (within the meaning of Rule 144A under the Securities Act) or (2) an "accredited investor" (within the meaning of Rule 501(a) under the Securities Act) and (B) a financial institution or other permitted offeree or purchaser for purposes of any applicable state securities or "Blue Sky" laws and have such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of our investment in the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares for an indefinite period of time or (ii) not a "U.S. person" within the meaning of Regulation S under the Securities Act (a "Non-U.S. Person"). In the normal course of our business, we invest in or purchase securities similar to the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares.

3. We understand that the Issuer is not registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act but that the Issuer is exempt from registration as such by virtue of Section 3(c)(7) and Section 7(d) of the Investment Company Act. We are a (i) "Qualified Purchaser" as defined in Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act, (ii) "Knowledgeable Employee" within the meaning of Rule 3c-5 of the Investment Company Act or

(iii) a Non-U.S. Person and we agree that we will transfer the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares owned by us only to a “Qualified Purchaser”, a “Knowledgeable Employee” or to a Non-U.S. Person in accordance with Regulation S under the Securities Act. Any purported transfer or other disposition in violation of the foregoing restrictions will be void and of no effect.

4. Our Taxpayer Identification Number is \_\_\_\_\_.

5. For purposes of determining whether our acquisition and holding of the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares to be purchased by us pursuant hereto will constitute or result in a non-exempt “prohibited transaction” (within the meaning of Section 406 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”), and/or Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”)), (i) the Issuer or the Paying and Transfer Agent may take such actions as may be necessary or appropriate in order to assure that, after giving effect to such purchase and all other purchases occurring simultaneously therewith, less than 25% of the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares will constitute “plan assets” of employee benefit plans subject to ERISA, plans subject to Section 4975 of the Code or other “benefit plan investors” (as defined in U.S. Department of Labor (“DOL”) Regulation Section 2510.3-101(f)(2)) (each, a “Benefit Plan Investor”), including refusing to permit and register the transfer of any [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares to us or any assignee of us; (ii) we will not assign or transfer such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares unless the proposed assignee or transferee delivers a letter to the Issuer and the Paying and Transfer Agent substantially in the form hereof; and (iii) either [check and initial *one* box as appropriate]:

- \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ No part of the funds being used to pay the purchase price for such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares constitutes “plan assets” of any Benefit Plan Investor and we will not assign or transfer such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares to any person who is (or is acting on behalf of or with “plan assets” of) a Benefit Plan Investor; *or*
- \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ The funds being used to pay the purchase price for such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares constitute assets of an “insurance company general account” (within the meaning of DOL Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption (“PTCE”) 95-60) (a “General Account”); our purchase and holding of such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares are eligible for the exemptive relief afforded under PTCE 95-60; less than 25% of the assets of such General Account constitute “plan assets” of Benefit Plan Investors; we will not assign or transfer such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares to any person who is (or is acting on behalf of or with “plan assets” of) a Benefit Plan Investor (other than another General Account); *or*
- \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ The funds being used to pay the purchase price for such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares constitute assets of one or more Benefit Plan Investors (other than a General Account); our purchase and holding of such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares are eligible for the exemptive relief afforded under PTCE 96-23, 91-38, 90-1 or 84-14; and any person to whom we assign or transfer such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares will be accurately identified in such letter as either a General Account, another Benefit Plan Investor who is eligible for such



exemptive relief or a person who is not (and is not acting on behalf of) any Benefit Plan Investor; *or*

- \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ The funds being used to pay the purchase price for such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares constitute assets of one or more Benefit Plan Investors none of which is subject to Title I of ERISA, Section 4975 of the Code or similar law; and any person to whom we assign or transfer such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares will be accurately identified in such letter as either another Benefit Plan Investor who is not subject to Title I of ERISA, Section 4975 of the Code or similar law or a person who is not (and is not acting on behalf of) any Benefit Plan Investor.

6. The undersigned confirms that (i) it has received and reviewed a copy of the Confidential Offering Circular, dated May 10, 2006 relating to the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares and on which it has based its investment decision, (ii) it has had the opportunity to ask questions of, and receive answers from the Issuer concerning the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares and all matters relating thereto, and obtain any additional information (including documents) relevant to its decision to purchase the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares that the Issuer possesses or can possess without unreasonable effort or expense, (iii) it has undertaken its own independent analysis of the investment in the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares and (iv) it agrees to be bound by the representations and restrictions on transfer set forth therein. The undersigned will not use or disclose any information it receives in connection with its purchase of the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares other than in connection with a subsequent sale of the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares, except to the extent otherwise required under applicable law or regulation.

7. After giving effect to this purchase, we will not own more than 49% (directly or indirectly) of the aggregate par value of the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares, unless we are the Collateral Manager (including our respective Affiliates and clients).

8. We hereby certify that we [check one] \_\_\_\_\_ are \_\_\_\_\_ are not an Affiliate (as defined in the Indenture) or nominee of JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, the Issuer or the Collateral Manager or a nominee of an Affiliate of any of them.

9. We agree to provide the Paying and Transfer Agent in writing with any additional registration, payment and delivery information as the Trustee may reasonably request.

10. We are not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

Very truly yours,

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Investor)

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

Name:

Title:

**SHARES TO BE PURCHASED**

\_\_\_\_\_ [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares



**Exhibit C**

**FORM OF RULE 144A/REGULATION D TRANSFER CERTIFICATE**

[Date]

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association  
600 Travis Street, 50th Floor  
Houston, Texas 77002

Re: Rockwall CDO Ltd./ [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Reference is hereby made to the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, dated as of May 10, 2006, as amended and supplemented from time to time (the "Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement") between Rockwall CDO Ltd. (the "Issuer") and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as paying agent and transfer agent (the "Paying and Transfer Agent"). Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement.

This letter relates to \_\_\_\_\_ [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares (the "[Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares") of the Issuer which are registered in the name of [insert name of transferor] (the "Transferor"). The Transferor has requested a transfer of such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares for [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares registered in the name of [insert name of transferee].

In connection with such request, and in respect of such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares, the Transferor does hereby certify that such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares are being transferred in accordance with (i) the transfer restrictions set forth in Section 8 of the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement and the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares and (ii) Rule 144A under the Securities Act to a transferee that the Transferor reasonably believes is purchasing the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares for its own account or an account with respect to which the transferee exercises sole investment discretion and the transferee and any such account is a "qualified institutional buyer" within the meaning of Rule 144A or an "accredited investor" within the meaning of Regulation D under the Securities Act, and such transferee is aware that the sale to it is being made in reliance upon Rule 144A, and (iii) any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction.

[Insert Name of Transferor]

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

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_



**Exhibit D**

FORM OF REGULATION S TRANSFER CERTIFICATE

[Date]

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association  
600 Travis Street, 50th Floor  
Houston, Texas 77002

Re: Rockwall CDO Ltd. [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Reference is hereby made to the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, dated as of May 10, 2006 (the "Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement"), between Rockwall CDO Ltd. (the "Issuer") and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as paying agent and transfer agent (the "Paying and Transfer Agent"). Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement. Other terms shall have the meanings assigned to them in Regulation S under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act").

This letter relates to \_\_\_\_\_ [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares (the "[Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares") of the Issuer which are held in the registered name of [insert name of transferor] (the "Transferor"). The Transferor has requested a transfer of such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares for [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares registered in the name of [insert name of transferee].

In connection with such request and in respect of such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares, the Transferor does hereby certify that such transfer has been effected in accordance with the transfer restrictions set forth in Section 8 of the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement and the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares and pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S under the Securities Act, and accordingly the Transferor does hereby certify that:

- (1) the offer of the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares was not made to a person in the United States;
- [(2) at the time the buy order was originated, the transferee was outside the United States or the Transferor and any person acting on its behalf reasonably believed that the transferee was outside the United States;]\*
- [(2) the transaction was executed in, on or through the facilities of a designated offshore securities market and neither the Transferor nor any person acting on its behalf knows that the transaction was prearranged with a buyer in the United States;]\*

\*Insert one of these provisions.

- (3) no directed selling efforts have been made in contravention of the requirements of Rule 903(b) or 904(b) of Regulation S, as applicable; and
- (4) the transaction is not part of a plan or scheme to evade the registration requirements of the Securities Act.

[Insert Name of Transferor]

By \_\_\_\_\_

Name:

Title:

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_





**Exhibit E**

To: Holders of [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares

From: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association as Paying and Transfer Agent under the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement

Re: [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares; Notice of Holders of [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares' Right To Require [Optional Redemption] [Liquidation of the Trust Estate]

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Pursuant to Section 26(d)[(i)][(iii)] of the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement dated as of May 10, 2006 (the "Paying Agency Agreement") by and between Rockwall CDO Ltd. (the "Issuer") and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as paying agent and transfer agent (the "Paying and Transfer Agent"), this is to notify the Preferred Shareholders of the right of the Preferred Shareholders representing at least 50% of the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares (referred to herein as the "Required Percentage") to direct the Issuer [to exercise the Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.1 of the Indenture] [to liquidate the remaining Trust Estate].

To exercise such right, such Required Percentage of the Preferred Shareholders must notify the Paying and Transfer Agent in writing on or before the 30th Business Day preceding the proposed [Optional Redemption Date] [liquidation date] of their exercise of such right, therein directing the Paying and Transfer Agent to notify the Issuer of such election. Such proposed [Optional Redemption Date] [liquidation date] shall be set forth in such notice from the Required Percentage of the Preferred Shareholders to the Paying and Transfer Agent, and must be a [Payment Date on or after the Payment Date in [ ] 2018] [date which is not sooner than the date which is 30 Business Days after the Paying and Transfer Agent's receipt of such notice]. Such notice of liquidation from the Required Percentage of the Preferred Shareholders to the Paying and Transfer Agent must also specify whether the direction is to liquidate the Trust Estate in whole or in part (and if in part, must specify the portion to be liquidated).

[Include further instructions setting forth the address to which the Preferred Shareholders' election notice should be sent, and any instructions or requirements as to the form, content or execution thereof, or proof of ownership, as the Paying and Transfer Agent reasonably may deem necessary, if any.]

Capitalized terms appearing but not otherwise expressly defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to such terms in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement.

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL  
ASSOCIATION,  
as Paying and Transfer Agent

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**EXHIBIT F**  
**FORM OF SALE NOTICE**

**FROM:**

[Party requesting redemption of Class II Preferred Shares – Name and Address Fax number – [        ] (the " <b>Redeeming Party</b> ")	[Subscriber for Investor Corp. Preferred Shares – Name and Address Fax number – [        ] (the " <b>Subscriber</b> ")
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**TO:**

Rockwall CDO Ltd. PO Box 1093GT Queensgate House South Church Street George Town Grand Cayman Cayman Islands Attention: The Directors Fax: 1 345 945 7100	Rockwall Investors Corp. PO Box 1093GT Queensgate House South Church Street George Town Grand Cayman Cayman Islands Attention: The Directors Fax: 1 345 945 7100
JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association 600 Travis Street, 50 Floor Houston, Texas 77002 Attention: Worldwide Securities Services – Rockwall CDO and Rockwall Investors Corp. Fax: 1 713 216 3572	Highland Capital Management LP Two Galleria Tower 13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300 Dallas, Texas 75240 Attention: [        ] Fax: 1 972 628 4147

**[INSERT DATE OF NOTICE]**

Dear Sirs

**SALE NOTICE RELATING TO THE REDEMPTION OF ROCKWALL CDO LTD. CLASS II PREFERRED SHARES AND SUBSCRIPTION FOR ROCKWALL INVESTORS CORP. PREFERRED SHARES**

As required by the Articles of Association of each of Rockwall CDO Ltd. and Rockwall Investors Corp. and the applicable Paying and Transfer Agency Agreements relating to the Preferred Shares of each of Rockwall CDO Ltd. and Rockwall Investors Corp., we

hereby give you notice of the following:

**1. REQUEST FOR REDEMPTION OF ROCKWALL CDO LTD. CLASS II PREFERRED SHARES**

- (a) Redemption Date: [Insert date – to be 10 or more days from the date of this notice]
- (b) Number of Class II Preferred Shares to be redeemed (if approved): [Insert number - must be 200,000 or more]
- (c) Redemption Price: [Insert total redemption price requested]

The Redeeming party hereby requests that Rockwall CDO Ltd. approves the proposed redemption as set forth in 1 above.

**2. REQUEST FOR SUBSCRIPTION FOR ROCKWALL INVESTORS CORP. PREFERRED SHARES**

- (a) Subscription Date: [Insert date – must be same as in 1(a) above]
- (b) Number of Preferred Shares to be subscribed for (if approved): [Insert number - must be same as in 1(b) above ]
- (c) Subscription Price: [Insert subscription price requested – must be same as in 1(c) above]

The Subscriber hereby requests that Rockwall Investors Corp. approves the proposed redemption as set forth in 1 above.

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[Approved][Not approved]  
**For and on behalf of  
Rockwall CDO Ltd.**

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[Approved][Not approved]  
**For and on behalf of  
Rockwall Investors Corp.**

**FORM TO BE FAXED BACK BY ROCKWALL CDO LTD. AND ROCKWALL INVESTORS CORP. TO ALL PARTIES ON THE NOTICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**

**IF APPROVED BY ROCKWALL CDO LTD. AND ROCKWALL INVESTORS CORP., THIS SIGNED NOTICE WILL CONSTITUTE DEEMED NOTICE TO ROCKWALL CDO LTD. FROM ROCKWALL INVESTORS CORP. (WITHIN THE REQUIRED TIME LIMIT) OF A REQUEST FOR REDEMPTION OF AN EQUIVALENT NUMBER OF CLASS I PREFERRED SHARES OF ROCKWALL CDO LTD. ON THE SAME TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS THE REDEMPTION OF THE ROCKWALL INVESTORS CORP. PREFERRED SHARES**



**EXHIBIT G**  
**FORM OF ACQUISITION NOTICE**

**FROM:**

[Party requesting redemption of Class II Preferred Shares – Name and Address Fax number – [        ]] (the " <b>Redeeming Party</b> ")	[Subscriber for Investor Corp. Preferred Shares – Name and Address Fax number – [        ]] (the " <b>Subscriber</b> ")
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**TO:**

Rockwall CDO Ltd. PO Box 1093GT Queensgate House South Church Street George Town Grand Cayman Cayman Islands Attention: The Directors Fax: 1 345 945 7100	Rockwall Investors Corp. PO Box 1093GT Queensgate House South Church Street George Town Grand Cayman Cayman Islands Attention: The Directors Fax: 1 345 945 7100
JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association 600 Travis Street, 50 Floor Houston, Texas 77002 Attention: Worldwide Securities Services – Rockwall CDO and Rockwall Investors Corp. Fax: 1 713 216 3572	Highland Capital Management LP Two Galleria Tower 13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300 Dallas, Texas 75240 Attention: [        ] Fax: 1 972 628 4147

**[INSERT DATE OF NOTICE]**

Dear Sirs

ACQUISITION NOTICE RELATING TO THE SUBSCRIPTION FOR  
 ROCKWALL CDO LTD. CLASS II PREFERRED SHARES AND REDEMPTION OF  
 ROCKWALL INVESTORS CORP. PREFERRED SHARES

As required by the Articles of Association of each of Rockwall CDO Ltd. and Rockwall Investors Corp. and the applicable Paying and Transfer Agency Agreements relating to



the Preferred Shares of each of Rockwall CDO Ltd. and Rockwall Investors Corp., we hereby give you notice of the following:

**1. REQUEST FOR SUBSCRIPTION OF ROCKWALL CDO LTD. CLASS II PREFERRED SHARES**

- (a) Subscription Date: [Insert date – to be 10 or more days from the date of this notice]
- (b) Number of Class II Preferred Shares to be subscribed for (if approved): [Insert number - must be 200,000 or more]
- (c) Subscription Price: [Insert total subscription price requested]

The Subscriber hereby requests that Rockwall CDO Ltd. approves the proposed subscription as set forth in 1 above.

**2. REQUEST FOR REDEMPTION OF ROCKWALL INVESTORS CORP. PREFERRED SHARES**

- (a) Redemption Date: [Insert date – must be same as in 1(a) above]
- (b) Number of Preferred Shares to be redeemed (if approved): [Insert number - must be same as in 1(b) above ]
- (c) Redemption Price: [Insert redemption price requested – must be same as in 1(c) above]

The Redeeming Party hereby requests that Rockwall Investors Corp. approves the proposed redemption as set forth in 1 above.

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[Approved][Not approved]  
**For and on behalf of  
Rockwall CDO Ltd.**

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[Approved][Not approved]

**For and on behalf of  
Rockwall Investors Corp.**

**FORM TO BE FAXED BACK BY ROCKWALL CDO LTD. AND ROCKWALL  
INVESTORS CORP. TO ALL PARTIES ON THE NOTICE AS SOON AS  
POSSIBLE**

IF APPROVED BY ROCKWALL CDO LTD. AND ROCKWALL INVESTORS CORP., THIS SIGNED NOTICE WILL  
CONSTITUTE DEEMED NOTICE TO ROCKWALL CDO LTD. FROM ROCKWALL INVESTORS CORP. (WITHIN THE  
REQUIRED TIME LIMIT) OF A REQUEST FOR SUBSCRIPTION OF AN EQUIVALENT NUMBER OF CLASS I PREFERRED  
SHARES OF ROCKWALL CDO LTD. ON THE SAME TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS THE SUBSCRIPTION FOR THE  
ROCKWALL INVESTORS CORP. PREFERRED SHARES

## **EXHIBIT YY**

**SERVICING AGREEMENT**

This Servicing Agreement, dated as of May 10, 2006 is entered into by and among ROCKWALL CDO LTD., an exempted company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands, with its registered office located at the offices of Maples Finance Limited, P.O. Box 1093GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands (together with successors and assigns permitted hereunder, the "Issuer"), and HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, with its principal offices located at Two Galleria Tower, 13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300, Dallas, Texas 75240, as servicer ("Highland" or, in such capacity, the "Servicer").

## WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Issuer and ROCKWALL CDO (DELAWARE) CORP. (the "Co-Issuer") and together with the Issuer, the "Co-Issuers") intend to issue U.S.\$538,000,000 of their Class A-1LA Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2021 (the "Class A-1LA Notes"), U.S.\$96,000,000 of their Class A-1LB Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2021 (the "Class A-1LB Notes"), U.S.\$76,000,000 of their Class A-2L Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2021 (the "Class A-2L Notes"), U.S.\$36,500,000 of their Class A-3L Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2021 (the "Class A-3L Notes"), U.S.\$10,000,000 of their Class A-4L Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2021 (the "Class A-4L Notes"), U.S.\$21,000,000 of their Class B-1L Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2021 (the "Class B-1L Notes"), U.S.\$14,000,000 of their Class X Floating Rate Notes due August 2013 (the "Class X Notes" and together with the Class A-1LA Notes, Class A-1LB Notes, Class A-2L Notes, Class A-3L Notes, Class A-4L Notes and Class B-1L Notes, the "Notes") pursuant to the Indenture dated as of May 10, 2006 (the "Indenture"), among the Co-Issuers and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as trustee (the "Trustee") and 33,200,000 Class I Preferred Shares, \$0.001 par value (the "Class I Preferred Shares") and 45,000,000 Class II Preferred Shares, \$0.001 par value (the "Class II Preferred Shares" and, together with the Class I Preferred Shares, the "Preferred Shares" and, together with the Notes, the "Securities");

WHEREAS, the Issuer intends to pledge certain Portfolio Collateral, Eligible Investments and Cash (all as defined in the Indenture) and certain other assets (all as set forth in the Indenture) (collectively, the "Collateral") to the Trustee as security for the Notes;

WHEREAS, the Issuer wishes to enter into this Servicing Agreement, pursuant to which the Servicer agrees to perform, on behalf of the Issuer, certain duties with respect to the Collateral in the manner and on the terms set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the Servicer has the capacity to provide the services required hereby and in the applicable provisions of the other Transaction Documents and is prepared to perform such services upon the terms and conditions set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements herein set forth, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Definitions.

Terms used herein and not defined below shall have the meanings set forth in the Indenture.

“Agreement” shall mean this Servicing Agreement, as amended from time to time.

“Governing Instruments” shall mean the memorandum, articles or certificate of incorporation or association and by-laws, if applicable, in the case of a corporation; the certificate of formation, if applicable, or the partnership agreement, in the case of a partnership; or the certificate of formation, if applicable, or the limited liability company agreement, in the case of a limited liability company.

“HFP” shall mean Highland Financial Partners, L.P. (which includes, for the avoidance of doubt, any subsidiary thereof).

“Offering Circular” shall mean the Offering Circular of the Issuer dated May 8, 2006 prepared in connection with the offering of the Securities.

“Redemption Date” shall mean any Optional Redemption Date, Special Redemption Date, Tax Event Redemption Date or Mandatory Redemption Date, as applicable.

“Servicer Breaches” shall have the meaning specified in Section 10(a).

“Servicing Fee” shall mean, collectively, the Base Servicing Fee, the Additional Servicing Fee and the Supplemental Servicing Fee.

2. General Duties of the Servicer.

(a) The Servicer shall provide services to the Issuer as follows:

(i) Subject to and in accordance with the terms this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents, the Servicer shall supervise and direct the administration, acquisition and disposition of the Collateral, and shall perform on behalf of the Issuer those duties and obligations of the Servicer required by the Indenture and the other Transaction Documents, and including the furnishing of Orders, Requests and officer's certificates, and such certifications as are required of the Servicer under the Indenture with respect to permitted purchases and sales of the Portfolio Collateral, Eligible Investments and other assets, and other matters, and, to the extent necessary or appropriate to perform such duties, the Servicer shall have the power to execute and deliver all necessary and appropriate documents and instruments on behalf of the Issuer with respect thereto. The Servicer shall, subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents, perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder with reasonable care, using a degree of skill and attention no less than that which the Servicer exercises with respect to comparable assets that it services or manages for others having similar objectives and restrictions, and in a manner consistent with practices and procedures followed by institutional servicers or managers of national standing relating to assets of the nature and character of the Collateral for clients having

similar objectives and restrictions, except as expressly provided otherwise in this Agreement and/or the other Transaction Documents. To the extent not inconsistent with the foregoing, the Servicer shall follow its customary standards, policies and procedures in performing its duties under the Indenture and hereunder. The Servicer shall comply with all terms and conditions of the other Transaction Documents affecting the duties and functions to be performed hereunder. The Servicer shall not be bound to follow any amendment to any Transaction Document until it has received written notice thereof and until it has received a copy of the amendment from the Issuer or the Trustee; provided, however, that the Servicer shall not be bound by any amendment to any Transaction Document that affects the rights, powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer unless the Servicer shall have consented thereto in writing. The Issuer agrees that it shall not permit any amendment to the Indenture that (x) affects the rights, powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer or (y) affects the amount or priority of any fees payable to the Servicer to become effective unless the Servicer has been given prior written notice of such amendment and consented thereto in writing;

(ii) the Servicer shall select any Collateral which shall be acquired by the Issuer pursuant to the Indenture in accordance with the Collateral criteria set forth herein and in the Indenture;

(iii) the Servicer shall monitor the Collateral on an ongoing basis and provide to the Issuer all reports, certificates, schedules and other data with respect to the Collateral which the Issuer is required to prepare and deliver under the Indenture, in the form and containing all information required thereby and in reasonable time for the Issuer to review such required reports, certificates, schedules and data and to deliver them to the parties entitled thereto under the Indenture; the Servicer shall undertake to determine to the extent reasonably practicable whether a Portfolio Collateral has become a Defaulted Portfolio Collateral;

(iv) the Servicer, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture may, at any time permitted under the Indenture, and shall, when required by the Indenture, direct the Trustee (x) to dispose of a Portfolio Collateral, Equity Security or Eligible Investment or other securities received in respect thereof in the open market or otherwise, (y) to acquire, as security for the Notes in substitution for or in addition to any one or more Portfolio Collateral or Eligible Investments included in the Collateral, one or more substitute Portfolio Collateral or Eligible Investments, or (z) direct the Trustee to take the following actions with respect to a Portfolio Collateral or Eligible Investment:

- (1) retain such Portfolio Collateral or Eligible Investment;
- or
- (2) dispose of such Portfolio Collateral or Eligible Investment in the open market or otherwise; or
  - (3) if applicable, tender such Portfolio Collateral or Eligible Investment pursuant to an Offer; or
  - (4) if applicable, consent to any proposed amendment, modification or waiver pursuant to an Offer; or

(5) retain or dispose of any securities or other property (if other than cash) received pursuant to an Offer; or

(6) waive any default with respect to any Defaulted Portfolio Collateral; or

(7) vote to accelerate the maturity of any Defaulted Portfolio Collateral; or

(8) exercise any other rights or remedies with respect to such Portfolio Collateral or Eligible Investment as provided in the related Underlying Instruments, including in connection with any workout situations, or take any other action consistent with the terms of the Indenture which is in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities; and

(v) the Servicer shall (a) on or prior to any day which is a Redemption Date, direct the Trustee to enter into contracts to dispose of the Portfolio Collateral and any other Collateral pursuant to the Indenture and otherwise comply with all redemption procedures and certification requirements in the Indenture in order to allow the Trustee to effect such redemption and (b) conduct Auctions in accordance with the terms of the Indenture.

(b) In performing its duties hereunder, the Servicer shall seek to preserve the value of the Collateral for the benefit of the Holders of the Securities taking into account the Collateral criteria and limitations set forth herein and in the Indenture and the Servicer shall use reasonable efforts to select and service the Collateral in such a way that will permit a timely performance of all payment obligations by the Issuer under the Indenture; provided, that the Servicer shall not be responsible if such objectives are not achieved so long as the Servicer performs its duties under this Agreement in the manner provided for herein, and provided, further, that there shall be no recourse to the Servicer with respect to the Notes or the Preferred Shares. The Servicer and the Issuer shall take such other action, and furnish such certificates, opinions and other documents, as may be reasonably requested by the other party hereto in order to effectuate the purposes of this Agreement and to facilitate compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the terms of this Agreement.

(c) The Servicer hereby agrees to the following:

(i) The Servicer agrees not to institute against, or join any other Person in instituting against, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation proceedings or other proceedings under federal or state bankruptcy or similar laws of any jurisdiction until at least one year and one day (or if longer, any applicable preference period plus one day) after the payment in full of all Notes issued under the Indenture; provided, however, that nothing in this clause (i) shall preclude, or be deemed to estop, the Servicer (A) from taking any action prior to the expiration of such period in (x) any case or proceeding voluntarily filed or commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, or (y) any involuntary insolvency proceeding filed or commenced against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, by a Person other than the Servicer, or (B) from commencing against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any properties of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any legal action which is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium, liquidation or similar proceeding. The provisions of this Section 2(c)(i) shall survive termination of this Agreement.

(ii) The Servicer shall cause each sale or purchase of any Portfolio Collateral or Eligible Investment to be conducted on an arm's-length basis.

(d) The Servicer shall not act for the Issuer in any capacity except as provided in this Section 2. In providing services hereunder, the Servicer may employ third parties, including its Affiliates, to render advice (including advice with respect to the servicing of the Collateral) and assistance; provided, however, that the Servicer shall not be relieved of any of its duties or liabilities hereunder regardless of the performance of any services by third parties. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Servicer shall not be required to take any action required of it pursuant to this Agreement or the Indenture if such action would constitute a violation of any law.

(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement or the Indenture, (i) any granted signatory powers or authority granted to the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer with respect to the Special Procedures Obligations shall be conditioned upon the prior written approval of the Independent Advisor and (ii) neither the Servicer nor any Affiliate of the Servicer shall have any authority to enter into agreements, or take any action, on behalf of the Issuer with respect to the Special Procedures Obligations without the prior written approval of the Independent Advisor.

### 3. Brokerage.

The Servicer shall seek to obtain the best prices and execution for all orders placed with respect to the Collateral, considering all reasonable circumstances. Subject to the objective of obtaining best prices and execution, the Servicer may take into consideration research and other brokerage services furnished to the Servicer or its Affiliates by brokers and dealers which are not Affiliates of the Servicer. Such services may be used by the Servicer or its Affiliates in connection with its other servicing or advisory activities or operations. The Servicer may aggregate sales and purchase orders of securities placed with respect to the Collateral with similar orders being made simultaneously for other accounts serviced or managed by Servicer or with accounts of the Affiliates of the Servicer, if in the Servicer's reasonable judgment such aggregation shall result in an overall economic benefit to the Issuer, taking into consideration the advantageous selling or purchase price, brokerage commission and other expenses. In the event that a sale or purchase of a Portfolio Collateral or Eligible Investment (in accordance with the terms of the Indenture) occurs as part of any aggregate sales or purchase orders, the objective of the Servicer (and any of its Affiliates involved in such transactions) shall be to allocate the executions among the accounts in an equitable manner and consistent with its obligations hereunder and under applicable law.

In addition to the foregoing and subject to the provisions of Section 2 and the limitations of Section 5, the objective of obtaining best prices and execution and to the extent permitted by applicable law, the Servicer may, on behalf of the Issuer, direct the Trustee to acquire any and all of the Eligible Investments or other Collateral from, or sell Portfolio Collateral or other Collateral to, the Initial Purchaser, the Trustee or any of their respective Affiliates, or any other firm.



4. Additional Activities of the Servicer.

Nothing herein shall prevent the Servicer or any of its Affiliates from engaging in other businesses, or from rendering services of any kind to the Trustee, the Holders of the Securities, or any other Person or entity to the extent permitted by applicable law. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, the Servicer and partners, directors, officers, employees and agents of the Servicer or its Affiliates may, among other things, and subject to any limits specified in the Indenture:

(a) serve as directors (whether supervisory or managing), officers, partners, employees, agents, nominees or signatories for any issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates, to the extent permitted by their Governing Instruments, as from time to time amended, or by any resolutions duly adopted by the Issuer, its Affiliates or any issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates, pursuant to their respective Governing Instruments; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on the enforceability of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Overcollateralization Ratio and the Interest Coverage Test; provided, further, that nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to limit the duties of the Servicer set forth in Section 2 hereof;

(b) receive fees for services of any nature rendered to the issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on the enforceability of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Overcollateralization Ratio and the Interest Coverage Test; and provided, further that if any portion of such services are related to the purchase by the Issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral, the portion of such fees relating to such obligations shall be applied to the purchase price of such obligations; and

(c) be a secured or unsecured creditor of, or hold an equity interest in, the Issuer, its Affiliates or any issuer of any obligation included in the Collateral; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on the enforceability of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Overcollateralization Ratio and the Interest Coverage Test; provided, further, that nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to limit the duties of the Servicer set forth in Section 2 hereof.

It is understood that the Servicer and any of its Affiliates may engage in any other business and furnish servicing, investment management and advisory services to others, including Persons which may have policies similar to those followed by the Servicer with respect to the Collateral and which may own securities of the same class, or which are the same type, as the Portfolio Collateral or other securities of the issuers of Portfolio Collateral. The Servicer shall be free, in its sole discretion, to make recommendations to others, or effect transactions on behalf of itself or for others, which may be the same as or different from those effected with respect to the Collateral.

Unless the Servicer determines in its reasonable judgment that such purchase or sale is appropriate, the Servicer may refrain from directing the purchase or sale hereunder of securities issued by (i) Persons of which the Servicer, its Affiliates or any of its or their officers, directors or employees are directors or officers, (ii) Persons for which the Servicer or its Affiliate act as financial adviser or underwriter or (iii) Persons about which the Servicer or any of its Affiliates have information which the Servicer deems confidential or non-public or otherwise might prohibit it from trading such securities in accordance with applicable law. The Servicer shall not be obligated to have or pursue any particular strategy or opportunity with respect to the Collateral.

5. Conflicts of Interest.

(a) The Servicer shall not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Servicer such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Servicer, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the Investment Advisers Act.

(b) The Servicer shall not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Servicer, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Investment Advisers Act.

(c) In addition, the Servicer shall not undertake any transaction described in this Section 5 unless such transaction is exempt from the prohibited transaction rules of ERISA and the Code.

6. Records; Confidentiality.

The Servicer shall maintain appropriate books of account and records relating to services performed hereunder, and such books of account and records shall be accessible for inspection by a representative of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Holders of the Securities and the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to the Indenture at a mutually agreed time during normal business hours and upon not less than three Business Days' prior notice. At no time shall the Servicer make a public announcement concerning the issuance of the Notes or the Preferred Shares, the Servicer's role hereunder or any other aspect of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents. The Servicer shall keep confidential any and all information obtained in connection with the services rendered hereunder and shall not disclose any such information to non-affiliated third parties except (i) with the prior written consent of the Issuer, (ii) such information as either Rating Agency shall reasonably request in connection with the rating of any class of Securities, (iii) as required by law, regulation, court order or the rules or regulations of any self regulating organization, body or official having jurisdiction over the Servicer, (iv) to its professional advisers, (v) such information as shall have been publicly disclosed other than in violation of this Agreement, or (vi) such information that was or is obtained by the Servicer on a non-confidential basis, provided, that the Servicer does not know or have reason to know of any breach by such source of any confidentiality obligations with respect thereto. For purposes of this Section 6, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator and the Holders of the Securities shall in no event be considered "non-affiliated third parties."

Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement or the Indenture to the contrary, the Servicer, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Holders of the Securities (and the beneficial owners thereof) (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) may disclose to any and all Persons, without limitation of any kind, the U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to them relating to such U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure, as such terms are defined under U.S. federal, state or local tax law.

7. Obligations of Servicer.

Unless otherwise specifically required by any provision of the Indenture or this Agreement or by applicable law, the Servicer shall use its best reasonable efforts to ensure that no action is taken by it, and shall not intentionally or with reckless disregard take any action, which would (a) materially adversely affect the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for purposes of Cayman Islands law, United States federal or state law or any other law known to the Servicer to be applicable to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, (b) not be permitted under the Issuer's Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association or the Co-Issuer's Certificate of Incorporation or By-Laws, (c) violate any law, rule or regulation of any governmental body or agency having jurisdiction over the Issuer or the Co-Issuer including, without limitation, any Cayman Islands or United States federal, state or other applicable securities law the violation of which has or could reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any of the Collateral, (d) require registration of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the pool of Collateral as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act, (e) cause the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to violate the terms of the Indenture, including, without limitation, any representations made by the Issuer or Co-Issuer therein, or any other agreement contemplated by the Indenture or (f) not be permitted by Annex 1 hereto and would subject the Issuer to U.S. federal or state income or franchise taxation or cause the Issuer to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The Servicer covenants that it shall comply in all material respects with all laws and regulations applicable to it in connection with the performance of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, the Servicer shall not be required to take any action under this Agreement or the Indenture if such action would violate any applicable law, rule, regulation or court order.

8. Compensation.

(a) The Issuer shall pay to the Servicer, for services rendered and performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Servicing Fee, which shall be payable in such amounts and at such times as set forth in the Indenture. The provisions of the Indenture which relate to the amount and payment of the Servicing Fee shall not be amended without the written consent of the Servicer. If on any Payment Date there are insufficient funds to pay the Servicing Fee (and/or any other amounts due and payable to the Servicer) in full, the amount not so paid shall be deferred and shall be payable on such later Payment Date on which funds are available therefor as provided in the Indenture.

(b) The Servicer shall be responsible for the ordinary expenses incurred in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Indenture and the other Transaction Documents; provided, however, that any extraordinary expenses incurred by the Servicer in the performance of such obligations (including, but not limited to, any fees, expenses or other amounts payable to the Rating Agencies, the Collateral Administrator, the Trustee and the accountants appointed by the Issuer, the reasonable expenses incurred by the Servicer to employ outside lawyers or consultants reasonably necessary in connection with the evaluation, transfer or restructuring of any Portfolio Collateral or other unusual matters arising in the performance of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture, any reasonable expenses incurred by the Servicer in obtaining advice from outside counsel with respect to its obligations under this Agreement, brokerage commissions, transfer fees, registration costs, taxes and other similar costs and transaction related expenses and fees arising out of transactions effected for the Issuer's account and the portion allocated to the Issuer of any other fees and expenses that the Servicer customarily allocates among all of the funds or portfolios that it services or manages) shall be reimbursed by the Issuer to the extent funds are available therefor in accordance with and subject to the limitations contained in the Indenture.

(c) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 12, Section 14 or otherwise, the fees payable to the Servicer shall be prorated for any partial periods between Payment Dates during which this Agreement was in effect and shall be due and payable on the first Payment Date following the date of such termination and on any subsequent Payment Dates to the extent remaining unpaid and in accordance with, and to the extent provided in, the Indenture.

9. Benefit of the Agreement.

The Servicer agrees that its obligations hereunder shall be enforceable at the instance of the Issuer, the Trustee, on behalf of the Noteholders, or the requisite percentage of Noteholders or the Holders of the Preferred Shares, as applicable, as provided in the Indenture.

10. Limits of Servicer Responsibility; Indemnification.

(a) The Servicer assumes no responsibility under this Agreement other than to render the services called for hereunder and under the terms of the other Transaction Documents made applicable to it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement in good faith and, subject to the standard of liability described in the next sentence, shall not be responsible for any action of the Issuer or the Trustee in following or declining to follow any advice, recommendation or direction of the Servicer. The Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, and its Affiliates and their directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, shall not be liable to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Holders of the Securities or any other person, for any losses, claims, damages, judgments, assessments, costs or other liabilities (collectively, "Liabilities") incurred by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Holders of the Securities or any other person, that arise out of or in connection with the performance by the Servicer of its duties under this Agreement and under the terms of the other Transaction Documents made applicable to it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, except by reason of (i) acts or omissions constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, gross negligence or breach of fiduciary duty in the performance, or reckless disregard, of the obligations of the Servicer hereunder and under the terms of the other Transaction Documents made applicable to it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement or (ii) with respect to any information included in the Offering Circular in the section entitled "The Servicer" that contains any untrue statement of material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) collectively being the "Servicer Breaches"). For the avoidance of doubt, the Servicer shall have no duty to independently investigate any laws not otherwise known to it in connection with its obligations under this Agreement, the Indenture and the other Transaction Documents. The Servicer shall be deemed to have satisfied the requirements of the Indenture and this Agreement relating to not causing the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes (including as those requirements relate to the acquisition (including manner of acquisition), ownership, enforcement, and disposition of Collateral) to the extent the Servicer complies with the requirements set forth in Annex 1 hereto.

(b) The Issuer shall indemnify and hold harmless (the Issuer in such case, the "Indemnifying Party") the Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees (such parties collectively in such case, the "Indemnified Parties") from and against any and all Liabilities, and shall reimburse each such Indemnified Party for all reasonable fees and expenses (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) (collectively, the "Expenses") as such Expenses are incurred in investigating, preparing, pursuing or defending any claim, action, proceeding or investigation with respect to any pending or threatened litigation (collectively, the "Actions"), caused by, or arising out of or in connection with, the issuance of the Securities, the transactions contemplated by the Offering Circular, the Indenture or this Agreement, and/or any action taken by, or any failure to act by, such Indemnified Party; provided, however, that no Indemnified Party shall be indemnified for any Liabilities

or Expenses it incurs as a result of any acts or omissions by any Indemnified Party constituting Servicer Breaches. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the obligations of the Issuer under this Section 10 shall be payable solely out of the Collateral in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Indenture and shall survive termination of this Agreement.

(c) With respect to any claim made or threatened against an Indemnified Party, or compulsory process or request or other notice of any loss, claim, damage or liability served upon an Indemnified Party, for which such Indemnified Party is or may be entitled to indemnification under this Section 10, such Indemnified Party shall (or with respect to Indemnified Parties that are directors, officers, stockholders, agents or employees of the Servicer, the Servicer shall cause such Indemnified Party to):

(i) give written notice to the Indemnifying Party of such claim within ten (10) days after such Indemnified Party's receipt of actual notice that such claim is made or threatened, which notice to the Indemnifying Party shall specify in reasonable detail the nature of the claim and the amount (or an estimate of the amount) of the claim; provided, however, that the failure of any Indemnified Party to provide such notice to the Indemnifying Party shall not relieve the Indemnifying Party of its obligations under this Section 10 unless the Indemnifying Party is materially prejudiced or otherwise forfeits rights or defenses by reason of such failure;

(ii) at the Indemnifying Party's expense, provide the Indemnifying Party such information and cooperation with respect to such claim as the Indemnifying Party may reasonably require, including, but not limited to, making appropriate personnel available to the Indemnifying Party at such reasonable times as the Indemnifying Party may request;

(iii) at the Indemnifying Party's expense, cooperate and take all such steps as the Indemnifying Party may reasonably request to preserve and protect any defense to such claim;

(iv) in the event suit is brought with respect to such claim, upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Indemnifying Party the right, which the Indemnifying Party may exercise in its sole discretion and at its expense, to participate in the investigation, defense and settlement of such claim;

(v) neither incur any material expense to defend against nor release or settle any such claim or make any admission with respect thereto (other than routine or incontestable admissions or factual admissions the failure to make which would expose such Indemnified Party to unindemnified liability) nor permit a default or consent to the entry of any judgment in respect thereof, in each case without the prior written consent of the Indemnifying Party; and

(vi) upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Indemnifying Party the right, in its sole discretion and at its sole expense, to assume the defense of such claim, including, but not limited to, the right to designate counsel reasonably acceptable to the Indemnified Party and to control all negotiations, litigation, arbitration, settlements, compromises and appeals of such claim; provided, that if the Indemnifying Party assumes the defense of such claim, it shall not be liable for any fees and expenses of counsel for any Indemnified Party incurred thereafter in connection with such claim except that if such Indemnified Party reasonably determines that counsel designated by the

Indemnifying Party has a conflict of interest in connection with its representation of such Indemnified Party, such Indemnifying Party shall pay the reasonable fees and disbursements of one counsel (in addition to any local counsel) separate from its own counsel for all Indemnified Parties in connection with any one action or separate but similar or related actions in the same jurisdiction arising out of the same general allegations or circumstances; provided, further, that prior to entering into any final settlement or compromise, such Indemnifying Party shall seek the consent of the Indemnified Party and use its commercially reasonable efforts in the light of the then prevailing circumstances (including, without limitation, any express or implied time constraint on any pending settlement offer) to obtain the consent of such Indemnified Party as to the terms of settlement or compromise. If an Indemnified Party does not consent to the settlement or compromise within a reasonable time under the circumstances, the Indemnifying Party shall not thereafter be obligated to indemnify the Indemnified Party for any amount in excess of such proposed settlement or compromise.

(d) In the event that any Indemnified Party waives its right to indemnification hereunder, the Indemnifying Party shall not be entitled to appoint counsel to represent such Indemnified Party nor shall the Indemnifying Party reimburse such Indemnified Party for any costs of counsel to such Indemnified Party.

(e) The U.S. federal securities laws impose liabilities under certain circumstances on persons who act in good faith; accordingly, notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, nothing herein shall in any way constitute a waiver or limitation of any rights which the Issuer or the Holders of the Securities may have under any U.S. federal securities laws.

#### 11. No Partnership or Joint Venture.

The Issuer and the Servicer are not partners or joint venturers with each other and nothing herein shall be construed to make them such partners or joint venturers or impose any liability as such on either of them. The Servicer's relation to the Issuer shall be deemed to be that of an independent contractor.

#### 12. Term; Termination.

(a) This Agreement shall commence as of the date first set forth above and shall continue in force and effect until the first of the following occurs: (i) the payment in full of the Notes, the termination of the Indenture in accordance with its terms and the redemption in full of the Preferred Shares; (ii) the liquidation of the Collateral and the final distribution of the proceeds of such liquidation to the Securityholders; or (iii) the termination of this Agreement in accordance with subsection (b), (c), (d) or (e) of this Section 12 or Section 14 of this Agreement.

(b) Subject to Section 12(e) below, the Servicer may resign, upon 90 days' written notice to the Issuer (or such shorter notice as is acceptable to the Issuer). If the Servicer resigns, the Issuer agrees to appoint a successor Servicer to assume such duties and obligations in accordance with Section 12(e).

(c) This Agreement shall be automatically terminated in the event that the Issuer determines in good faith that the Issuer or the pool of Collateral has become required to be registered under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, and the Issuer notifies the Servicer thereof.

(d) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to this Section 12, neither party shall have any further liability or obligation to the other, except as provided in Sections 2(c)(i), 8, 10 and 15 of this Agreement.

(e) No removal or resignation of the Servicer shall be effective unless:

I. if the Class A-1LA Notes are Outstanding and (i) the sum of (A) the Aggregate Par Amount of Portfolio Collateral other than any Equity Portfolio Collateral and (B) the Market Value of all Equity Portfolio Collateral (as determined by the Servicer in a commercially reasonable manner), if any, is less than (ii) the sum of (A) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Outstanding Notes other than the Class B-1L Notes plus any accrued and unpaid interest thereon and (B) 50% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes plus any accrued and unpaid interest thereon (a "Preferred Share Event"), then:

(i) (A) the Issuer appoints a successor Servicer at the written direction of a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single class and excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP), (B) such successor Servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes); or

(ii) if a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single class and excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP) has nominated two or more possible successor Servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) or has otherwise failed to appoint a successor Servicer that has not been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) within 30 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer (or, if later, within 30 days of the last failure to successfully appoint a successor Servicer), then (A) the Issuer appoints a successor Servicer at the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes, (B) such successor Servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single class and excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP); or

(iii) if the Issuer fails to appoint a successor Servicer pursuant to the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) within 90 days of any notice of resignation or removal of the Servicer, (A) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes may petition a court of competent authority to appoint a successor Servicer, (B) such court appoints a successor Servicer and (C) such successor Servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture.

II. if there is no Preferred Share Event in effect, then:

(i) (A) the Issuer appoints a successor Servicer at the written direction of a Majority of the Preferred Shares (excluding any Preferred Shares held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority, other than HFP which may exercise its vote with respect to Preferred Shares it owns, up to the Original HFP Share Amount), (B) such successor Servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single class and excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP); or

(ii) if a Majority of the Preferred Shares (excluding any Preferred Shares held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP) has nominated two or more possible successor Servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) or has otherwise failed to appoint a successor Servicer that has not been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) within 30 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer (or, if later, within 30 days of the last failure to successfully appoint a successor Servicer), then (A) the Issuer appoints a successor Servicer at the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes, (B) such successor Servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 45 days after notice of such succession by either of (x) a Majority of the Preferred Shares (excluding any Preferred Shares held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP which may exercise its vote with respect to Preferred Shares it owns, up to the Original HFP Share Amount) or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single class and excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP); or

(iii) if the Issuer fails to appoint a successor Servicer pursuant to the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) within 90 days of any notice of resignation or removal of the Servicer, (A) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes may petition a court of competent authority to appoint a successor Servicer, (B) such court appoints a successor Servicer and (C) such successor Servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture.

In addition, any successor Servicer must be an established institution which (i) has demonstrated an ability to professionally and competently perform duties similar to those imposed upon the Servicer hereunder, (ii) is legally qualified and has the capacity to act as Servicer hereunder, as successor to the Servicer under this Agreement in the assumption of all of the responsibilities, duties and obligations of the Servicer hereunder and under the applicable terms of the Indenture, (iii) shall not cause the Issuer or the pool of Collateral to become required to register under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, (iv) shall perform its duties as Servicer under this Agreement and the Indenture without



causing the Issuer, the Co Issuer or any Holder of Preferred Shares to become subject to tax in any jurisdiction where such successor Servicer is established as doing business and (v) each Rating Agency has confirmed that the appointment of such successor Servicer shall not cause its then current rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn. No compensation payable to a successor Servicer from payments on the Collateral shall be greater than that paid to the Servicer without the prior written consent of a Majority of the Noteholders and a Majority of the Preferred Shares. The Issuer, the Trustee and the successor Servicer shall take such action (or cause the retiring Servicer to take such action) consistent with this Agreement and the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer, as shall be necessary to effectuate any such succession.

If there has been no appointment of a successor Servicer within 90 days following the resignation or termination of the Servicer, until a successor Servicer has been appointed and has assumed its duties hereunder, any sales or disposition of Portfolio Collateral shall be limited to Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and Equity Portfolio Collateral; provided, that, such restriction on the sale or disposition of Portfolio Collateral shall not apply if the Portfolio Collateral is being liquidated in whole or in part in connection with an acceleration or early termination of the Notes.

(f) In the event of removal of the Servicer pursuant to this Agreement, the Issuer shall have all of the rights and remedies available with respect thereto at law or equity, and, without limiting the foregoing, the Issuer or, to the extent so provided in the Indenture, the Trustee may by notice in writing to the Servicer as provided under this Agreement terminate all the rights and obligations of the Servicer under this Agreement (except those that survive termination pursuant to Section 12(d) above). Upon expiration of the applicable notice period with respect to termination specified in this Section 12 or Section 14 of this Agreement, as applicable, all authority and power of the Servicer under this Agreement, whether with respect to the Collateral or otherwise, shall automatically and without further action by any person or entity pass to and be vested in the successor Servicer upon the appointment thereof.

### 13. Delegation; Assignments.

This Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Servicer hereunder, shall not be delegated by the Servicer, in whole or in part, except to any entity that (i) is controlled by any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers and (ii) is one in which any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers is involved in the day to day management and operations (and in any such case pursuant to an instrument of delegation in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer), without the prior written consent of the Issuer, a Majority of the Noteholders and a Majority of the Preferred Shares (excluding Notes and Preferred Shares held by the Servicer or any of its Affiliates) and, notwithstanding any such consent, no delegation of obligations or duties by the Servicer (including, without limitation, to an entity described above) shall relieve the Servicer from any liability hereunder.

Subject to Section 12, any assignment of this Agreement to any Person, in whole or in part, by the Servicer shall be deemed null and void unless (i) such assignment is consented to in writing by the Issuer, the Requisite Noteholders and the Holders of a Majority of the Preferred Shares (excluding Notes and Preferred Shares held by the Servicer or any of its Affiliates other than HFP) and (ii) the Rating Agency Confirmation is satisfied with respect to any such assignment. Any assignment consented to by the Issuer, the Requisite Noteholders and the Holders of Preferred Shares shall bind the assignee hereunder in the same manner as the Servicer is bound. In addition, the assignee shall execute and deliver to the Issuer and the Trustee a counterpart of this Agreement naming such assignee as Servicer. Upon the execution and delivery of such a counterpart by the assignee and consent thereto by the Issuer, the Requisite Noteholders and the Holders of the Preferred Shares, the Servicer shall be released from further obligations pursuant to this Agreement, except with respect to its obligations arising under Section 10 of this Agreement prior to such assignment and except with respect to its obligations under Sections 2(c)(i)

and 15 hereof. This Agreement shall not be assigned by the Issuer without the prior written consent of the Servicer and the Trustee, except in the case of assignment by the Issuer to (i) an entity which is a successor to the Issuer permitted under the Indenture, in which case such successor organization shall be bound hereunder and by the terms of said assignment in the same manner as the Issuer is bound thereunder or (ii) the Trustee as contemplated by the Indenture. In the event of any assignment by the Issuer, the Issuer shall cause its successor to execute and deliver to the Servicer such documents as the Servicer shall consider reasonably necessary to effect fully such assignment. The Servicer hereby consents to the matters set forth in Article 15 of the Indenture.

14. Termination by the Issuer for Cause.

Subject to Section 12(e) above, this Agreement shall be terminated and the Servicer shall be removed by the Issuer for cause upon 10 days' prior written notice to the Servicer and upon written notice to the Holders of the Securities as set forth below, but only if directed to do so by (1) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or (2) the Holders of at least 66-2/3% of the Preferred Shares (excluding any Preferred Shares held by the Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority, other than HFP which may exercise its vote with respect to Preferred Shares it owns, up to the Original HFP Share Amount). For purposes of determining "cause" with respect to any such termination of this Agreement, such term shall mean any one of the following events:

(a) the Servicer willfully breaches in any respect, or takes any action that it knows violates in any respect, any provision of this Agreement or any terms of the Indenture applicable to it;

(b) the Servicer breaches in any material respect any provision of this Agreement or any terms of the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement applicable to it, or any representation, warranty, certification or statement given in writing by the Servicer shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or given, and the Servicer fails to cure such breach or take such action so that the facts (after giving effect to such action) conform in all material respects to such representation, warranty, certificate or statement, in each case within 30 days of becoming aware of, or receiving notice from, the Trustee of, such breach or materially incorrect representation, warranty, certificate or statement;

(c) the Servicer is wound up or dissolved (other than a dissolution in which the remaining members elect to continue the business of the Servicer in accordance with its Governing Instruments) or there is appointed over it or a substantial portion of its assets a receiver, administrator, administrative receiver, trustee or similar officer, or the Servicer (i) ceases to be able to, or admits in writing its inability to, pay its debts as they become due and payable, or makes a general assignment for the benefit of or enters into any composition or arrangement with, its creditors generally; (ii) applies for or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, assignee, custodian, liquidator or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Servicer or of any substantial part of its properties or assets, or authorizes such an application or consent, or proceedings seeking such appointment are commenced without such authorization, consent or application against the Servicer and continue undismissed for 60 days; (iii) authorizes or files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, or applies for or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the application of any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, readjustment of debt, insolvency or dissolution, or authorizes such application or consent, or proceedings to such end are instituted against the Servicer without such authorization, application or consent and are approved as properly instituted and remain undismissed for 60 days or result in adjudication of bankruptcy or insolvency; or (iv) permits or

suffers all or any substantial part of its properties or assets to be sequestered or attached by court order and the order remains undismissed for 60 days;

(d) the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture that results from any breach by the Servicer of its duties under the Indenture or this Agreement, which breach or default is not cured within any applicable cure period; or

(e) (x) the occurrence of an act by the Servicer related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business that constitutes fraud, (y) the Servicer being indicted, or any of its principals being convicted, of a felony criminal offense related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business or (z) the Servicer being indicted for, adjudged liable in a civil suit for, or convicted of a violation of the Securities Act or any other United States Federal securities law or any rules or regulations thereunder.

If any of the events specified in this Section 14 shall occur, the Servicer shall give prompt written notice thereof to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Holders of all outstanding Notes and Preferred Shares upon the Servicer's becoming aware of the occurrence of such event.

15. Action Upon Termination.

(a) From and after the effective date of termination of this Agreement, the Servicer shall not be entitled to compensation for further services hereunder, but shall be paid all compensation accrued to the date of termination, as provided in Section 8 hereof, and shall be entitled to receive any amounts owing under Section 10 hereof. Upon the effective date of termination of this Agreement, the Servicer shall as soon as practicable:

(i) deliver to the Issuer all property and documents of the Trustee or the Issuer or otherwise relating to the Collateral then in the custody of the Servicer; and

(ii) deliver to the Trustee and the Fiscal Agent an accounting with respect to the books and records delivered to the Trustee and the Fiscal Agent or the successor Servicer appointed pursuant to Section 12(e) hereof.

Notwithstanding such termination, the Servicer shall remain liable to the extent set forth herein (but subject to Section 10 hereof) for its acts or omissions hereunder arising prior to termination and for any expenses, losses, damages, liabilities, demands, charges and claims (including reasonable attorneys' fees) in respect of or arising out of a breach of the representations and warranties made by the Servicer in Section 16(b) hereof or from any failure of the Servicer to comply with the provisions of this Section 15.

(b) The Servicer agrees that, notwithstanding any termination of this Agreement, it shall reasonably cooperate in any Proceeding arising in connection with this Agreement, the Indenture or any of the Collateral (excluding any such Proceeding in which claims are asserted against the Servicer or any Affiliate of the Servicer) upon receipt of appropriate indemnification and expense reimbursement.

16. Representations and Warranties.

(a) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants to the Servicer as follows:

(i) The Issuer has been duly registered and is validly existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands, has full power and authority to own its assets and the securities proposed to be owned by it and included in the Collateral and to transact the business in which it is presently engaged and is duly qualified under the laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Indenture or the Securities would require, such qualification, except for failures to be so qualified, authorized or licensed that would not in the aggregate have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Issuer.

(ii) The Issuer has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities and all obligations required hereunder and thereunder and has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities on the terms and conditions hereof and thereof and the execution by the Issuer, delivery and performance of this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities and the performance of all obligations imposed upon it hereunder and thereunder. No consent of any other person including, without limitation, shareholders and creditors of the Issuer, and no license, permit, approval or authorization of, exemption by, notice or report to, or registration, filing or declaration with, any governmental authority, other than those that may be required under state securities or "blue sky" laws and those that have been or shall be obtained in connection with the other Transaction Documents and the Securities is required by the Issuer in connection with this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities or the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities or the obligations imposed upon it hereunder or thereunder. This Agreement constitutes, and each instrument or document required hereunder, when executed and delivered hereunder, shall constitute, the legally valid and binding obligation of the Issuer enforceable against the Issuer in accordance with its terms, subject to (a) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights and (b) general equitable principles.

(iii) The execution by the Issuer, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the documents and instruments required hereunder shall not violate any provision of any existing law or regulation binding on the Issuer, or any order, judgment, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or governmental authority binding on the Issuer, or the Governing Instruments of, or any securities issued by, the Issuer or of any mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking to which the Issuer is a party or by which the Issuer or any of its assets may be bound, the violation of which would have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Issuer, and shall not result in or require the creation or imposition of any lien on any of its property, assets or revenues pursuant to the provisions of any such mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking (other than the lien of the Indenture).

(iv) The Issuer is not in violation of its Governing Instruments or in breach or violation of or in default under the Indenture or any contract or agreement to

which it is a party or by which it or any of its assets may be bound, or any applicable statute or any rule, regulation or order of any court, government agency or body having jurisdiction over the Issuer or its properties, the breach or violation of which or default under which would have a material adverse effect on the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the performance by the Issuer of its duties hereunder.

(v) True and complete copies of the Indenture and the Issuer's Governing Instruments have been delivered to the Servicer.

The Issuer agrees to deliver a true and complete copy of each amendment to the documents referred to in Section 16(a)(v) above to the Servicer as promptly as practicable after its adoption or execution.

(b) The Servicer hereby represents and warrants to the Issuer as follows:

(i) The Servicer is a limited partnership duly organized and validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware, has full power and authority to own its assets and to transact the business in which it is currently engaged and is duly qualified and in good standing under the laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of this Agreement would require such qualification, except for those jurisdictions in which the failure to be so qualified, authorized or licensed would not have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Servicer or on the ability of the Servicer to perform its obligations under, or on the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement and the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer.

(ii) The Servicer has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement and all obligations required hereunder and under the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer, and has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement on the terms and conditions hereof and the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and all obligations required hereunder and under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer. No consent of any other person, including, without limitation, creditors of the Servicer, and no license, permit, approval or authorization of, exemption by, notice or report to, or registration, filing or declaration with, any governmental authority is required by the Servicer in connection with this Agreement or the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the obligations required hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer. This Agreement has been, and each instrument and document required hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer shall be, executed and delivered by a duly authorized partner of the Servicer, and this Agreement constitutes, and each instrument and document required hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer when executed and delivered by the Servicer hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer shall constitute, the valid and legally binding obligations of the Servicer enforceable against the Servicer in accordance with their terms, subject to (a) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights and (b) general equitable principles.

(iii) The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer and the documents and instruments required hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer shall not violate or conflict with any provision of any existing law or regulation binding on or applicable to the Servicer, or any order, judgment, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or governmental authority binding on the Servicer, or the Governing Instruments of, or any securities issued by the Servicer or of any mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking to which the Servicer is a party or by which the Servicer or any of its assets may be bound, the violation of which would have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Servicer or its ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement and the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer, and shall not result in or require the creation or imposition of any lien on any of its material property, assets or revenues pursuant to the provisions of any such mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking.

(iv) There is no charge, investigation, action, suit or proceeding before or by any court pending or, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, threatened that, if determined adversely to the Servicer, would have a material adverse effect upon the performance by the Servicer of its duties under, or on the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement and the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer.

(v) The Servicer is a registered investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act.

(vi) The Servicer is not in violation of its Governing Instruments or in breach or violation of or in default under any contract or agreement to which it is a party or by which it or any of its property may be bound, or any applicable statute or any rule, regulation or order of any court, government agency or body having jurisdiction over the Servicer or its properties, the breach or violation of which or default under which would have a material adverse effect on the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer, or the performance by the Servicer of its duties hereunder.

17. Notices.

Unless expressly provided otherwise herein, all notices, requests, demands and other communications required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing (including by telecopy) and shall be deemed to have been duly given, made and received when delivered against receipt or upon actual receipt of registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, or, in the case of telecopy notice, when received in legible form, addressed as set forth below:

(a) If to the Issuer:

Rockwall CDO Ltd.  
c/o Maples Finance Limited  
P.O. Box 1093GT  
Queensgate House  
South Church Street  
George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands  
Telephone: (345) 945-7099  
Telecopy: (345) 945-7100  
Attention: The Directors

(b) If to the Servicer:

Highland Capital Management, L.P.  
Two Galleria Tower  
13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300  
Dallas, Texas 75240  
Telephone: (972) 628-4100  
Telecopy: (972) 628-4147  
Attention: James Dondero

(c) If to the Trustee:

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association  
600 Travis Street, 50<sup>th</sup> Floor  
JPMorgan Chase Tower  
Houston, Texas 77002  
Telecopy: (713) 216-2101  
Attention: Worldwide Securities Services—Rockwall CDO Ltd.

(d) If to the Noteholders:

In accordance with Section 14.3 of the Indenture, at their respective addresses set forth on the Note Register.

(e) If to the Holders of the Preferred Shares:

In accordance with Section 14.3 of the Indenture, to the Paying and Transfer Agent at the address identified therein.

(f) if to the Rating Agencies:

In accordance with Section 14.3 of the Indenture, to the rating Agencies at the address identified therein.

Any party may alter the address or telecopy number to which communications or copies are to be sent by giving notice of such change of address in conformity with the provisions of this Section 17 for the giving of notice.

18. Binding Nature of Agreement; Successors and Assigns.

This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns as provided herein. The Servicer hereby consents to the collateral assignment of this Agreement as provided in the Indenture and further agrees that the Trustee may enforce the Servicer's obligations hereunder.

19. Entire Agreement.

This Agreement contains the entire agreement and understanding among the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements, understandings, inducements and conditions, express or implied, oral or written, of any nature whatsoever with respect to the subject matter hereof. The express terms hereof control and supersede any course of performance and/or usage of the trade inconsistent with any of the terms hereof. This Agreement may not be modified or amended other than by an agreement in writing executed by the parties hereto and in accordance with the terms of Section 14.1(f)(4) of the Indenture.

20. Conflict with the Indenture.

Subject to the last two sentences of Section 2(a)(i), in the event that this Agreement requires any action to be taken with respect to any matter and the Indenture requires that a different action be taken with respect to such matter, and such actions are mutually exclusive, the provisions of the Indenture in respect thereof shall control.

21. Priority of Payments.

The Servicer agrees that the payment of all amounts to which it is entitled pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture shall be due and payable only in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Indenture and only to the extent funds are available for such payments in accordance with such priorities.

22. Governing Law.

**THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS PROVISIONS THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION.**

23. Indulgences Not Waivers.

Neither the failure nor any delay on the part of any party hereto to exercise any right, remedy, power or privilege under this Agreement shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power or privilege preclude any other or further exercise of the same or of any other right, remedy, power or privilege, nor shall any waiver of any right, remedy, power or privilege with respect to any occurrence be construed as a waiver of such right, remedy, power or privilege with respect to any other occurrence. No waiver shall be effective unless it is in writing and is signed by the party asserted to have granted such waiver.



24. Costs and Expenses.

Except as may otherwise be agreed in writing, the costs and expenses (including the fees and disbursements of counsel and accountants) incurred by each party in connection with the negotiation and preparation of and the execution of this Agreement, and all matters incident thereto, shall be borne by such party.

25. Titles Not to Affect Interpretation.

The titles of paragraphs and subparagraphs contained in this Agreement are for convenience only, and they neither form a part of this Agreement nor are they to be used in the construction or interpretation hereof.

26. Execution in Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts by facsimile or other written form of communication, each of which shall be deemed to be an original as against any party whose signature appears thereon, and all of which shall together constitute one and the same instrument. This Agreement shall become binding when one or more counterparts hereof, individually or taken together, shall bear the signatures of all of the parties reflected hereon as the signatories.

27. Provisions Separable.

In case any provision in this Agreement shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable as written, such provision shall be construed in the manner most closely resembling the apparent intent of the parties with respect to such provision so as to be valid, legal and enforceable; provided, however, that if there is no basis for such a construction, such provision shall be ineffective only to the extent of such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability and, unless the ineffectiveness of such provision destroys the basis of the bargain for one of the parties to this Agreement, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions hereof or thereof shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

28. Number and Gender.

Words used herein, regardless of the number and gender specifically used, shall be deemed and construed to include any other number, singular or plural, and any other gender, masculine, feminine or neuter, as the context requires.

29. Written Disclosure Statement.

The Issuer and the Trustee acknowledge receipt of Part II of the Servicer's Form ADV filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, as required by Rule 204-3 under the Investment Advisers Act, more than 48 hours prior to the date of execution of this Agreement.

30. Miscellaneous.

(a) In the event that any vote is solicited with respect to any Portfolio Collateral, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall vote or refrain from voting any such security in any manner permitted by the Indenture that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities. In addition, with respect to any Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, may instruct the trustee for such Defaulted Portfolio Collateral to enforce the Issuer's rights under the Underlying Instruments governing such Defaulted

Portfolio Collateral and any applicable law, rule or regulation in any manner permitted under the Indenture that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities. In the event any Offer is made with respect to any Portfolio Collateral, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, may take such action as is permitted by the Indenture and that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities.

(b) In connection with taking or omitting any action under the Indenture or this Agreement, the Servicer may consult with counsel and may rely in good faith on the advice of such counsel or any opinion of counsel.

Any corporation, partnership or limited liability company into which the Servicer may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any corporation, partnership or limited liability company resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Servicer shall be a party, or any corporation, partnership or limited liability company succeeding to all or substantially all of the asset servicing and collateral management business of the Servicer, shall be the successor to the Servicer without any further action by the Servicer, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Noteholders or any other person or entity.

31. Limitation of Liabilities.

The Issuer's obligations hereunder are solely the corporate obligations of the Issuer and the Servicer shall not have any recourse to any of the directors, officers, shareholders, members or incorporators of the Issuer with respect to any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations in connection with any transactions contemplated hereby, except for any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations caused by the gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct of such directors, officers, shareholders, members or incorporators of the Issuer. The obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be limited to the net proceeds of the Collateral, if any, and following realization of the Collateral and its application in accordance with the Indenture, any outstanding obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. The provisions of this section shall survive termination of this Agreement.

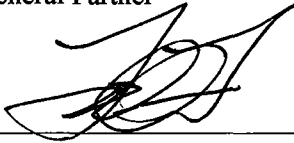
32. Consent to Posting of Documents on Repository.

The Servicer hereby consents to (i) the posting of the final Offering Circular and the Indenture (collectively, the "Documents") and the periodic reports to be delivered pursuant to the Documents and any amendments or other modifications thereto on the Repository (as such term is defined in the Indenture) for use in the manner provided in the Repository; and (ii) the display of its name on the Repository in connection therewith.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,  
as Servicer

BY: STRAND ADVISORS, INC.,  
as General Partner

By:   
Name: Todd Travers  
Title: Senior Portfolio Manager  
Highland Capital Management, L.P.

ROCKWALL CDO LTD.,  
as Issuer

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

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Name:  
Title:

ROCKWALL CDO LTD.,  
as Issuer

By:                     *W*                      
Name:  
Title: **Wendy Ebanks**  
Director

## ANNEX 1

### Certain Tax Provisions

Unless otherwise noted, references to the Issuer in this Annex 1 include the Servicer and any other person acting on the Issuer's behalf. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein will have the meanings ascribed to them in the Indenture.

For purposes of this Annex 1,

"Affiliate" means, with respect to a specified Person, (a) any other Person that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls or is controlled by, or is under common control with, the specified Person and (b) any Person that is a member, director, officer or employee of (i) the specified Person or (ii) a Person described in clause (a) of this definition; and

"Person" means an individual, a corporation, a limited liability company, a partnership, an association, a trust or any other entity or organization, including a government or political subdivision or an agency or instrumentality thereof.

### Section I. General Restrictions.

As provided in this Annex 1, the Issuer (and the Servicer acting on the Issuer's behalf) shall only purchase debt securities, interests in loans and other assets (each a "Portfolio Collateral") only in secondary-market transactions and shall not engage in any lending or underwriting activities or otherwise participate in the structuring or origination of any Portfolio Collateral.

#### A. Communications and Negotiations.

1. The Issuer will not have any communications or negotiations with the obligor of a Portfolio Collateral or a Reference Obligation (directly or indirectly through an intermediary such as the seller of such Portfolio Collateral or the Synthetic Security) in connection with the issuance or funding of such Portfolio Collateral or Reference Obligation or commitments with respect thereto, except for communications of an immaterial nature or customary due diligence communications; provided, that the Servicer may provide comments as to mistakes or inconsistencies in loan documents (including with respect to any provisions that are inconsistent with the terms and conditions of purchase of the loan by the Issuer).

2. By way of example, permitted due diligence activities may include, but are not limited to, (a) attendance at an obligor's general "roadshow" or other presentations to investment professionals, (b) direct private discussions with personnel of the obligor, arranged by a sponsor, lead bank or other arranger, and (c) other due diligence activities of the kind customarily performed by offerees of the type of Portfolio Collateral being offered, but may not include any negotiations with the obligor, employees or agents of the obligor of any terms or conditions of the Portfolio Collateral being offered.

3. Negotiations between the Servicer and the underwriter, placement agent or broker of Portfolio Collateral are permitted solely to the extent that they are limited to responses to customary pre-offering period and offering period inquiries by the underwriter or placement agent (e.g., "If we offered you 10-year senior subordinated bonds of XYZ company, what spread

would it require to interest you?” or “If you will not buy the bonds as offered, would you buy if we convinced the obligor to add a fixed charge coverage test?”). For purposes of this Section I.A., “negotiations” shall not include (i) commenting on offering documents to an unrelated underwriter or placement agent when the ability to comment was generally available to other investors, or (ii) communicating certain objective criteria (such as the minimum yield or maturity) the Issuer generally uses in purchasing the relevant type of Portfolio Collateral.

4. The Issuer may consent or otherwise act with respect to amendments, supplements or other modifications of the terms of any Portfolio Collateral (other than a Subsidiary Obligation (as defined in Section III)) requiring consent or action after the date on which any such Portfolio Collateral is acquired by the Issuer if (a) such amendment, supplement or modification would not constitute a Significant Modification (as defined below), (b) (i) in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the obligor is in financial distress and such change in terms is desirable to protect the Issuer’s interest in such Portfolio Collateral and (ii) the Portfolio Collateral is described in clause 5(b) of this Section I.A., (c) the amendment or modification would not be treated as the acquisition of a new Portfolio Collateral under paragraph 5 of this Section I.A., or (d) otherwise, if it has received advice of counsel that its involvement in such amendment, supplement or modification will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business within the United States.

A “Significant Modification” means any amendment, supplement or other modification that involves (a) a change in the stated maturity or a change in the timing of any material payment of any Portfolio Collateral (including deferral of an interest payment), that would materially alter the weighted average life of the Portfolio Collateral, (b) any change (whether positive or negative) in the yield on the Portfolio Collateral immediately prior to the modification in excess of the greater of (i) 25 basis points or (ii) 5 percent of such unmodified yield, (c) any change involving a material new extension of credit, (d) a change in the obligor of any Portfolio Collateral (as determined for purposes of section 1001 of the Code), or (e) a material change in the collateral or security for any Portfolio Collateral, including the addition or deletion of a co-obligor or guarantor that results in a material change in payment expectations.

5. In the event the Issuer owns an interest in a Portfolio Collateral the terms of which are subsequently amended or modified, or in the case of a workout situation not described in Section III hereof, which Portfolio Collateral is subsequently exchanged for new obligations or other securities of the obligor of the Portfolio Collateral, such amendments or modifications or exchange will not be treated as the acquisition of an interest in a new Portfolio Collateral for purposes of this Annex 1, provided, that (a) the Issuer does not, directly or indirectly (through the Servicer or otherwise), seek the amendments or modifications or the exchange, or participate in negotiating the amendments or modifications or the exchange, and (b) at the time of original acquisition of the interest in the Portfolio Collateral, it was not reasonably anticipated that the terms of the Portfolio Collateral would, pursuant to a workout or other negotiation, subsequently be amended or modified.

B. Fees. The Issuer will not earn or receive from any Person any fee or other compensation for services, however denominated, in connection with its purchase or sale of a Portfolio Collateral or entering into a Synthetic Security; the foregoing prohibition shall not be construed to preclude the Issuer from receiving (i) commitment fees or facility maintenance fees that are received by the Issuer in connection with revolving or delayed drawdown Loans; (ii) yield maintenance and prepayment penalty fees; (iii) fees on account of the Issuer’s consenting to amendments, waivers or other modifications of the terms of any Portfolio Collateral; (iv) fees from permitted securities lending; or (v) upfront payments in lieu of periodic payments under a Synthetic Security. The Issuer will not provide services to any Person;

the foregoing prohibition shall not be construed to preclude the Issuer from activities relating to the receipt of income described in (i) through (v) of the preceding sentence.

Section II. Loans and Forward Purchase Commitments.

A. Any understanding or commitment to purchase a loan, a participation, a loan subparticipation or a collateralized loan obligation (collectively, "Loans") from a seller before completion of the closing and full funding of the Loan by such seller shall only be made pursuant to a forward sale agreement at an agreed price (stated as a dollar amount or as a percentage) (a "Forward Purchase Commitment"), unless such an understanding or commitment is not legally binding and neither the Issuer nor the Servicer is economically compelled (e.g., would otherwise be subject to a significant monetary penalty) to purchase the Loan following the completion of the closing and full funding of the Loan (i.e., the Servicer will make an independent decision whether to purchase such Loan on behalf of the Issuer after completion of the closing of the Loan) (a "Non-Binding Agreement").

B. No Forward Purchase Commitment or Non-Binding Agreement shall be made until after the seller (or a transferor to such seller of such Loan) has made a legally binding commitment to fully fund such Loan to the obligor thereof (subject to customary conditions), which commitment cannot be conditioned on the Issuer's ultimate purchase of such Loan from such seller.

C. In the event of any reduced or eliminated funding, the Issuer shall not receive any premium, fee, or other compensation in connection with having entered into the Forward Purchase Commitment or Non-Binding Agreement.

D. The Issuer shall not close any purchase of a Loan subject to a Forward Purchase Commitment or a Non-Binding Agreement earlier than 48 hours after the time of the closing of the Loan (i.e., execution of definitive documentation), and, in the case of a Forward Purchase Commitment, the Issuer's obligation to purchase such Loan is subject to the condition that no material adverse change has occurred in the financial condition of the Loan's obligor or the relevant market on or before the relevant purchase date.

E. The Issuer cannot have a contractual relationship with the borrower with respect to a Loan until the Issuer actually purchases the Loan.

F. The Issuer cannot be a signatory on the original lending agreement, and cannot be obligated to fund an assignment of or a participation in a Loan, prior to the time specified in subsection D above.

G. The Issuer will not enter into any Forward Purchase Commitment or Non-Binding Agreement in which it knows that the counterparty has acted or described itself as acting as the Issuer's agent in making or committing to make the loan to which the Forward Purchase Commitment or Non-Binding Agreement relates, and for the avoidance of doubt no such agreement shall be entered into with the understanding that the counterparty will disclose to the borrower the Issuer's intention to purchase the underlying Loan prior to execution of final legal documentation of the Loan.

Section III. Distressed Debt Obligations.

A. The Issuer may only purchase a Debt Instrument that is a Potential Workout Obligation to the extent permitted by this Section III.

B. Neither the Issuer nor the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall purchase a Subsidiary Obligation from any Issuer Subsidiary.

C. Special Procedures for Subsidiary Obligations.

1. Potential Workout Obligations. On or prior to the date of acquisition, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall identify each Portfolio Collateral that is a Potential Workout Obligation.

2. Transfer of Subsidiary Obligations. From and after the occurrence of a Workout Determination Date with respect to a Subsidiary Obligation, neither the Issuer nor the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall knowingly take any action in respect of such Subsidiary Obligation that may result in the Issuer being engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes. As soon as practicable, but in any event within 30 calendar days following a Workout Determination Date, the Servicer shall cause the Issuer either (i) to sell or dispose of any Subsidiary Obligation identified on such Workout Determination Date to a Person that is not an Affiliate of the Issuer or Servicer or (ii) to assign any Subsidiary Obligation identified on such Workout Determination Date to an Issuer Subsidiary.

For purposes of this Annex 1, an "Issuer Subsidiary" means any wholly-owned corporate subsidiary of the Issuer to which a Special Workout Obligation may be transferred in accordance with this Annex 1.

3. Consideration for Assignment of Subsidiary Obligations. Consideration given by an Issuer Subsidiary for the assignment to it of Subsidiary Obligations may be in the form of cash or in the form of indebtedness of, or equity interests in, such Issuer Subsidiary.

4. Classification of Issuer Subsidiaries. Each Issuer Subsidiary shall be an entity treated as a corporation for United States federal income tax purposes and formed under the laws of any state of the United States.

As used herein:

"Potential Workout Obligation" means any debt instrument (any such instrument, including an interest in a Loan, a "Debt Instrument") which, as of the date of acquisition by the Issuer or an Issuer Subsidiary, based on information specific to such Debt Instrument or the circumstances of the obligor thereof, is a Workout Obligation or, in the reasonable determination of the Servicer, has a materially higher likelihood of becoming a Workout Obligation as compared to debt obligations that par or other non-distressed debt purchasers or funds customarily purchase and expect to hold to maturity.

"Subsidiary Obligation" means any Potential Workout Obligation (a) as to which the Issuer on any Workout Determination Date either (i) owns more than 40% of the aggregate principal amount of such class of Potential Workout Obligation outstanding or (ii) is one of the two largest holders of any class of debt of the issuer of such Potential Workout Obligation (based



on the outstanding principal amount of such class of debt owned by the Issuer as a percentage of the aggregate outstanding principal amount of such class of debt) unless not fewer than three other holders and the Issuer collectively own at least 65% of such class of debt and, if the Issuer is the largest holder of such class, the Issuer's percentage of such class does not exceed the percentage held by the next largest holder of the debt by more than 5% of such class or (b) that would, upon foreclosure or exercise of similar legal remedies, result in the Issuer directly owning assets (other than securities treated as debt, equity in a partnership not engaged in a trade or business within the United States, or corporate equity for United States federal income tax purposes, provided in the case of corporate equity that the corporation is not a "United States real property holding corporation" within the meaning of section 897 of the Code) which are "United States real property interests" within the meaning of section 897 of the Code or which the Servicer reasonably expects it would, on behalf of the Issuer, be required to actively manage to preserve the value of the Issuer's interest therein; provided that a Potential Workout Obligation shall not be treated as a Subsidiary Obligation if the Issuer obtains a Tax Opinion that, based on all the surrounding circumstances, the activities in which the Issuer intends to engage with respect to such Potential Workout Obligation will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes.

"Workout Determination Date" means any date on which, in connection with the occurrence of any event described in clauses (a) through (c), inclusive, of the definition of Workout Obligation, either (a) any material action by the Issuer is required to be taken, (b) the Servicer receives written notice that such material action shall be required or (c) the Servicer reasonably determines that the taking of such material action is likely to be required.

"Workout Obligation" means any Debt Instrument as to which the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer (a) consents to a Significant Modification in connection with the workout of a defaulted Portfolio Collateral, (b) participates in an official or unofficial committee or similar official or unofficial body in connection with a bankruptcy, reorganization, restructuring or similar proceeding, or (c) exercises, or has exercised on its behalf, rights of foreclosure or similar judicial remedies.

#### Section IV. Purchases from the Servicer or its Affiliates.

A. If the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer acted as an underwriter, placement or other agent, arranger, negotiator or structuror, or received any fee for services (it being understood that receipts described in clauses (i) through (v) of Section I.B. are not construed as so treated), in connection with the issuance or origination of a Portfolio Collateral or was a member of the original lending syndicate with respect to the Portfolio Collateral (any such Portfolio Collateral, a "Special Procedures Obligation"), the Issuer will not acquire any interest in such Special Procedures Obligation (including entering into a commitment or agreement, whether or not legally binding or enforceable, to acquire such obligation directly or synthetically), from the Servicer, an Affiliate of the Servicer, or a fund managed by the Servicer, unless (i) the Special Procedures Obligation has been outstanding for at least 90 days, (ii) the holder of the Special Procedures Obligation did not identify the obligation or security as intended for sale to the Issuer within 90 days of its issuance, (iii) the employees or agents of the Servicer responsible for selecting Portfolio Collateral for the Issuer were not directly involved in the origination of the Special Procedures Obligation on behalf of the Servicer, an Affiliate of the Servicer, or a fund serviced or managed by the Servicer, (iv) the price paid for such Special Procedures Obligation by the Issuer is its fair market value at the time of acquisition by the Issuer, and (v) the transaction is proposed to, and the ultimate purchase is approved on behalf of the Issuer by, one or more Independent Advisors to the Issuer in accordance with the provisions of Section IV.B. below. The Issuer will not acquire any Special Procedures Obligation if, immediately following such acquisition, the fair market value of all Special

Procedures Obligations owned by the Issuer would constitute more than 49% of the fair market value of all of the Issuer's assets at such time.

B. An "Independent Advisor" is a Person who is not an Affiliate of the Issuer, the Servicer or any fund serviced or managed by the Servicer.

1. The Issuer may not purchase or commit to enter into any such Special Procedures Obligation without prior approval by an Independent Advisor. If the Independent Advisor declines to approve a proposed Special Procedures Obligation, at least three months must elapse before any proposal with respect to a purchase of debt or other obligations of the same obligor is proposed or considered.

2. The Issuer shall engage the Independent Advisor in an agreement the terms of which shall in substantial form set forth:

(a) the representation of the Independent Advisor, which the Servicer shall not know not to be incorrect, that it has significant financial and commercial expertise, including substantial expertise and knowledge in and of the loan market and related investment arenas;

(b) the agreement between the Independent Advisor, the Issuer and the Servicer generally to the effect that (i) the Independent Advisor will operate pursuant to procedures consistent with maintaining his or her independence from the Servicer and its Affiliates, (ii) the Independent Advisor will have the sole authority and discretion to approve or reject acquisition proposals made by the Servicer with respect to any Special Procedures Obligation, (iii) all proposals for the Issuer to acquire any Special Procedures Obligation will be first submitted to the Independent Advisor, (iii) the Servicer will prepare the materials it deems necessary to describe the Special Procedures Obligation to the Independent Advisor, (iv) the Investment Advisor will not be required to make any decision to accept or decline a Special Procedures Obligation at the price offered prior to its review of the materials prepared, plus any additional information requested by the Independent Advisor, and (v) no Independent Advisor may be proposed to be replaced by the Servicer, unless for cause or in the event of a resignation of such Independent Advisor; and

(c) such other commercially reasonable terms and conditions, including terms and conditions to the effect that (i) the Independent Advisor will be paid a reasonable fee for its services plus reimbursement of any reasonable expenses incurred in performance of his or her responsibilities, (ii) the Independent Advisor may be removed or replaced only by a majority (whether by positive act or failure to object) of the probable equity owners (as determined for United States federal income tax purposes) of the Issuer, (iii) if at any time there is more than one Independent Advisor to the Issuer, a majority of such Independent Advisors must approve any Special Procedures Obligation subject to Independent Advisor approval, (iv) an Independent Advisor may not engage, directly or indirectly, in the negotiation of the terms of any Special Procedures Obligation to be acquired by the Issuer (provided however, that an Independent Advisor may negotiate with the Servicer or the seller with respect to the price and terms of the Issuer's purchase of the Special Procedures Obligation, provided further that the Independent Advisor will not make suggestions to the Servicer or any other person about alternative or modified terms of the underlying Special Procedures Obligation on which they might be willing to approve such a Special Procedures Obligation).

3. Any servicing agreement or other document under which the Servicer is granted signatory powers or other authority on behalf of the Issuer will provide that such powers or authority with respect to Special Procedures Obligations are conditioned upon the prior written approval of the Independent Advisor

4. No Special Procedures Obligation will be presented to an Independent Advisor until at least 90 days have elapsed since the later of (a) the execution of final documentation and (b) the funding in whole or part of the Special Procedures Obligation and there will have been no commitment or arrangement prior to that time that the Issuer will acquire any such Special Procedures Obligation; provided, further, that if the person from whom the Issuer will acquire the Special Procedures Obligation is an Affiliate of the Servicer, such person will not be treated as owning the Special Procedures Obligation for any day during which it does not enjoy substantially all of the benefits and burdens of ownership (for example, because it has hedged its credit exposure to the Special Procedures Obligation).

5. The Issuer will have no obligation to, or understanding that it will refund, reimburse or indemnify any person (including an Affiliate of the Servicer), directly or indirectly, for "breakage" costs or other costs or expenses incurred by such person if the Independent Advisor determines that the Issuer should decline to purchase any Special Procedures Obligation.

6. Neither the Servicer nor any Affiliate of the Servicer will have any authority to enter into agreements, or take any action, on behalf of the Issuer with respect to Special Procedures Obligations without the prior written approval of an Independent Advisor. Except as may be conditioned upon such prior written approval, neither the Servicer nor any Affiliate of the Servicer may hold itself out as having signatory powers on behalf of the Issuer or authority to enter into agreements with respect to Special Procedures Obligations on behalf of the Issuer.

#### Section V. Synthetic Securities.

A. The Issuer shall not (i) acquire or enter into any Synthetic Security with respect to any Reference Obligation the direct acquisition of which would violate any provision of this Annex 1 or (ii) use Synthetic Securities as a means of making advances to the Synthetic Security Counterparty following the date on which the Synthetic Security is acquired or entered into (for the avoidance of doubt, the establishment of Synthetic Security collateral accounts and the payment of Synthetic Security Counterparties from the amounts on deposit therein, shall not constitute the making of advances).

B. With respect to each Synthetic Security, the Issuer will not acquire or enter into any Synthetic Security which does not satisfy all of the following additional criteria unless the Servicer has first received advice of counsel that the ownership and disposition of such Synthetic Security would not cause the Issuer to be engaged in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes:

1. the criteria used to determine whether to enter into any particular Synthetic Security was similar to the criteria used by the Servicer in making decisions to acquire debt securities;

2. the Synthetic Security is acquired by or entered into by the Issuer for its own account and for purposes of holding with the expectation of realizing a profit from income earned on the securities (and any potential rise in their value during the interval of time between their

purchase and sale) or hedging purposes and not with an intention to trade or to sell for a short-term profit;

3. the Issuer enters into the Synthetic Security with a counterparty that is not a special purpose vehicle and is a broker-dealer or that holds itself out as in the business of entering into such contracts;

4. neither the Issuer nor any Person acting on behalf of the Issuer advertises or publishes the Issuer's ability to enter into Synthetic Securities;

5. except with respect to (x) credit-linked notes or similar Synthetic Securities and (y) any other Synthetic Securities where standard form ISDA documentation is not applicable, the Synthetic Security is written on standard form ISDA documentation;

6. the net payment from the Issuer to the Synthetic Security Counterparty is not determined based on an actual loss incurred by the Synthetic Security Counterparty or any other designated person;

7. there exists no agreement, arrangement or understanding that (i) the Synthetic Security Counterparty is required to own or hold the related Reference Obligation while the Synthetic Security remains in effect or (ii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty is economically or practically compelled to own or hold the related physical Reference Obligation while the Synthetic Security remains in effect;

8. the Synthetic Security provides for (i) all cash settlement, (ii) all physical settlement or (iii) the option to either cash settle or physically settle; provided that, in the latter two cases, physical settlement provides the settling party the right to settle the Synthetic Security by delivering deliverable obligations which *may* include the Reference Obligation and the settling party must not be required to deliver the related Reference Obligation upon the settlement of such Synthetic Security.

Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, a Synthetic Security providing for physical settlement may require a party to deliver the related Reference Obligation if either:

(i) at the time the Issuer enters into such Synthetic Security, such Reference Obligation is readily available to purchasers generally in a liquid market; or

(ii) the advice of both United States federal income tax and insurance counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters is that, under the relevant facts and circumstances with respect to such Synthetic Security, the acquisition of such Synthetic Security will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis and should not cause the Issuer to be treated as writing insurance in the United States under the law of the state in which the Synthetic Security Counterparty is organized.

9. the Synthetic Security is not treated by the Issuer as insurance or a financial guarantee sold by the Issuer for United States or Cayman Islands regulatory purposes.

As used herein:

“Reference Obligation” means a debt security or other obligation upon which a Synthetic Security is based.

“Synthetic Security” means any swap transaction or security, other than a participation interest in a Loan, that has payments associated with either payments of interest and/or principal on a Reference Obligation or the credit performance of a Reference Obligation.

“Synthetic Security Counterparty” means an entity (other than the Issuer) required to make payments on a Synthetic Security (including any guarantor).

Section VI. Other Types of Assets.

A. Equity Restrictions. The Issuer will not purchase any asset (directly or synthetically) that is:

1. not treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as debt if the issuing entity is a “partnership” (within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(2) of the Code) unless such entity is not engaged in a trade or business within the United States, or
2. a “United States real property interest” as defined in section 897 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.

The Issuer may cause an Issuer Subsidiary to acquire assets set forth in clause (i) or (ii) above (each, an “ETB/897 Asset”) in connection with the workout of defaulted Portfolio Collateral, so long as the acquisition of ETB/897 Assets by such Issuer Subsidiary will not cause the stock of such Issuer Subsidiary to be deemed to be an ETB/897 Asset.

B. Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans. All of the terms of any advance required to be made by the Issuer under any revolving or delayed drawdown Loan will be fixed as of the date of the Issuer’s purchase thereof (or will be determinable under a formula that is fixed as of such date), and the Issuer and the Servicer will not have any discretion (except for consenting or withholding consent to amendments, waivers or other modifications or granting customary waivers upon default) as to whether to make advances under such revolving or delayed drawdown Loan.

C. Securities Lending Agreements. The Issuer will not purchase any Portfolio Collateral primarily for the purpose of entering into a securities lending agreement with respect thereto.

Section VII. General Restrictions on the Issuer. The Issuer itself shall not:

A. hold itself out, through advertising or otherwise, as originating Loans, lending funds, or making a market in or dealing in Loans or other assets;

B. register as, hold itself out as, or become subject to regulatory supervision or other legal requirements under the laws of any country or political subdivision thereof as, a broker-dealer, a bank, an insurance company, financial guarantor, a surety bond issuer, or a company engaged in Loan origination;

C. knowingly take any action causing it to be treated as a bank, insurance company, or company engaged in Loan origination for purposes of any tax, securities law or other filing or submission made to any governmental authority;

D. hold itself out, through advertising or otherwise, as originating, funding, guaranteeing or insuring debt obligations or as being willing and able to enter into transactions (either purchases or sales of debt obligations or entries into, assignments or terminations of hedging or derivative instruments, including Synthetic Securities) at the request of others;

E. treat Synthetic Securities as insurance, reinsurance, indemnity bonds, guaranties, guaranty bonds or suretyship contracts for any purpose;

F. allow any non-U.S. bank or lending institution who is a holder of a Security to control or direct the Servicer's or Issuer's decision to acquire a particular asset except as otherwise allowed to such a holder, acting in that capacity, under the related indenture or acquire a Portfolio Collateral conditioned upon a particular person or entity holding Securities;

G. acquire any asset the holding or acquisition of which the Servicer knows would cause the Issuer to be subject to income tax on a net income basis;

H. hold any security as nominee for another person; or

I. buy securities with the intent to subdivide them and sell the components or to buy securities and sell them with different securities as a package or unit.

Section VIII. Tax Opinion; Amendments.

A. In furtherance and not in limitation of this Annex 1, the Servicer shall comply with all of the provisions set forth in this Annex 1, unless, with respect to a particular transaction, the Servicer acting on behalf of the Issuer and the Trustee shall have received written advice of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP or Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP or an opinion of other counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters (a "Tax Opinion"), that, under the relevant facts and circumstances with respect to such transaction, the Servicer's failure to comply with one or more of such provisions will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis.

B. The provisions set forth in the Annex 1 may be amended, eliminated or supplemented by the Servicer if the Issuer, the Servicer and the Trustee shall have received a Tax Opinion that the Servicer's compliance with such amended provisions or supplemental provisions or the failure to comply with such provisions proposed to be eliminated, as the case may be, will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis.

## **EXHIBIT ZZ**

**EXECUTION COPY**

**ROCKWALL CDO LTD.**

Issuer

**ROCKWALL CDO (DELAWARE) CORP.**

Co-Issuer

AND

**HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.**

Servicer

**AMENDMENT NO. 1**

**TO**

**SERVICING AGREEMENT**

Dated as of October 2, 2007

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**COLLATERALIZED DEBT OBLIGATIONS**

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**THIS AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO SERVICING AGREEMENT** (the “Amendment”), dated as of October 2, 2007, among Rockwall CDO Ltd. (the “Issuer”), Rockwall CDO (Delaware) Corp. (the “Co-Issuer”) and Highland Capital Management, L.P. (the “Servicer”), hereby amends the Servicing Agreement, dated as May 10, 2006, among the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Servicer.

W I T N E S S E T H

WHEREAS, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Servicer entered into the Servicing Agreement;

WHEREAS, the Issuers and the Servicer desire to change certain provisions with respect to the Servicer’s ability to waive certain Servicing Fees;

WHEREAS, Section 19 of the Servicing Agreement provides that the Servicing Agreement may be amended by the Issuer, Co-Issuer and the Servicer in accordance with the terms of Section 14.1(f)(4) of the Indenture;

WHEREAS, Section 14.1(f)(4) of the Indenture provides that the Servicing Agreement may be amended by the Issuer, Co-Issuer and the Servicer so long as the Requisite Holders have not timely objected in writing to such amendment;

WHEREAS, the Requisite Holders have not timely objected in writing to this Amendment;

WHEREAS, Section 14.1(f)(4) of the Indenture provides that the Ratings Agencies shall confirm that this Amendment to the Indenture will not cause the rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn; and

WHEREAS, the Ratings Agencies have confirmed that this Amendment to the Indenture will not cause the rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:

SECTION 1. Defined Terms.

For purposes of this Amendment, all capitalized terms which are used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the respective meanings assigned to such terms in the Indenture.

## SECTION 2. Amendment.

Section 8(a) of the Servicing Agreement is hereby amended and replaced in its entirety with the following:

### 8. Compensation.

(a) The Issuer shall pay to the Servicer, for services rendered and performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Servicing Fee, which shall be payable in such amounts and at such times as set forth in the Indenture. The provisions of the Indenture which relate to the amount and payment of the Servicing Fee shall not be amended without the written consent of the Servicer. If on any Payment Date there are insufficient funds to pay the Servicing Fee (and/or any other amounts due and payable to the Servicer) in full, the amount not so paid shall be deferred and shall be payable on such later Payment Date on which funds are available therefor as provided in the Indenture.

The Servicer hereby agrees to waive the Class II Preferred Share Portion of the Servicing Fees which would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as Servicing Fees, on each Payment Date until February 3, 2008. After February 3, 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive the Class II Preferred Share Portion of its Servicing Fees then due and payable. All waived amounts will be paid to the Class II Preferred Shares as Class II Preferred Share Dividends pursuant to the Indenture. For purposes of any calculation under this Agreement and the Indenture, the Servicer shall be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares as Class II Preferred Share Dividends.

In addition, notwithstanding anything set out above, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion waive all or any portion of the Additional Servicing Fee or Supplemental Servicing Fee, any funds representing the waived Additional Servicing Fees and Supplemental Servicing Fees to be retained in the Collection Account for distribution as either Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds (as determined by the Servicer) pursuant to the Priority of Payments.

## SECTION 3. Effect of Amendment.

Upon execution of this Amendment, the Indenture shall be, and be deemed to be, modified and amended in accordance herewith and the respective rights, limitations, obligations, duties, liabilities and immunities of the Issuer, Co-Issuer and the Servicer shall hereafter be determined, exercised and enforced subject in all respects to such modifications and amendments, and all the terms and conditions of this Amendment shall be deemed to be part of the terms and conditions of the Indenture for any and all purposes. Except as modified and expressly amended by this Amendment, the Indenture is in all respects ratified and confirmed, and all the terms, provisions and conditions thereof shall be and remain in full force and effect.

## SECTION 4. Binding Effect.

The provisions of this Amendment shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Servicer and each of their respective successors and assigns.

SECTION 5. GOVERNING LAW.

THIS AMENDMENT TO THE INDENTURE SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK APPLICABLE TO AGREEMENTS MADE AND TO BE PERFORMED THEREIN WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS CONFLICT OF LAW PROVISIONS, AND THE OBLIGATIONS, RIGHTS AND REMEDIES OF THE PARTIES HEREUNDER SHALL BE DETERMINED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUCH LAWS.

SECTION 6. Severability of Provisions.

If any one or more of the provisions or terms of this Amendment shall be for any reason whatsoever held invalid, then such provisions or terms shall be deemed severable from the remaining provisions or terms of this Amendment and shall in no way affect the validity or enforceability of the other provisions or terms of this Amendment.

SECTION 7. Section Headings.

The section headings herein are for convenience of reference only, and shall not limit or otherwise affect the meaning hereof.

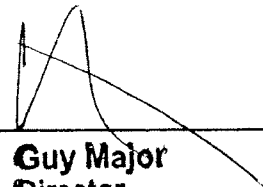
SECTION 8. Counterparts.

This Amendment may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which shall constitute but one and the same instrument.

[Signature pages follow]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Issuer, Co-Issuer and the Servicer have caused their names to be signed hereto by their respective officers thereunto duly authorized, all as of the day and year first above written.

ROCKWALL CDO LTD.,  
as Issuer

By:   
Name: **Guy Major**  
Title: **Director**

ROCKWALL CDO (DELAWARE) CORP.,  
as Co-Issuer

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

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., as  
Servicer

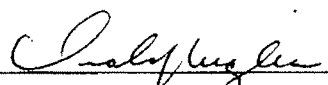
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as Issuer

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

ROCKWALL CDO (DELAWARE) CORP.,  
as Co-Issuer

By:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Donald J. Puglisi  
Title: President

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., as  
Servicer

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name:  
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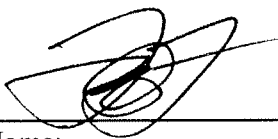
ROCKWALL CDO LTD.,  
as Issuer

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name:  
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ROCKWALL CDO (DELAWARE) CORP.,  
as Co-Issuer

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

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., as  
Servicer

By:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Todd Travers  
Title: Senior Portfolio Manager  
Highland Capital Management, L.P.

**CONSENTED AND AGREED TO BY:**

  
Name: Todd Travers  
Title: CEO, CEO  
E-mail address: tatravers@hamp.com  
Aggregate Outstanding Amount/Face Amount of Class II  
Preferred Shares Held: 45,000,000  
CUSIP/ISIN: 774261119

## **EXHIBIT AAA**



### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Attached is an electronic copy of the Confidential Offering Circular (the “Offering Circular”), dated May 8, 2007, relating to the offering by Rockwall CDO II Ltd. (the “Issuer”) and Rockwall CDO II (Delaware) Corp. (the “Co-Issuer” and, together with the Issuer, the “Co-Issuers”) of U.S.\$635,000,000 Class A-1LA Floating Rate Notes Due 2024, U.S.\$115,000,000 Class A-1LB Floating Rate Notes Due 2024, U.S.\$76,000,000 Class A-2L Floating Rate Notes Due 2024, U.S.\$48,000,000 Class A-3L Floating Rate Notes Due 2024, U.S.\$36,000,000 Class B-1L Floating Rate Notes Due 2024, and U.S.\$26,000,000 Class B-2L Floating Rate Notes Due 2024.

No registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These securities are being offered pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended. This Offering Circular is confidential and will not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor will there be any sale of these securities in any jurisdiction where such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any jurisdiction.

No purchase of these securities may be made except pursuant to the final Confidential Offering Circular. The final Confidential Offering Circular may be transmitted electronically, but each investor in the securities should receive a printed version thereof prior to purchase. If you do not receive a printed version of such final Confidential Offering Circular, please contact your Initial Purchaser representative.

Distribution of this electronic transmission of the Offering Circular to any person other than (a) the person receiving this electronic transmission from the Initial Purchaser on behalf of the Issuer and/or the Co-Issuer and (b) any person retained to advise the person receiving this electronic transmission with respect to the offering contemplated by the Offering Circular (each, an “Authorized Recipient”) is unauthorized. Any photocopying, disclosure or alteration of the contents of the Offering Circular, and any forwarding of a copy of the Offering Circular or any portion thereof by electronic mail or any other means to any person other than an Authorized Recipient, is prohibited. By accepting delivery of this Offering Circular, each recipient hereof agrees to the foregoing.

**ROCKWALL CDO II LTD.  
ROCKWALL CDO II (DELAWARE) CORP.**

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**U.S.\$26,000,000 Class B-2L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due 2024**

The Notes, consisting of the Class A-1LA Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2024 (the "**Class A-1LA Notes**") in the aggregate principal amount of U.S.\$635,000,000, the Class A-1LB Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2024 (the "**Class A-1LB Notes**") and, with the Class A-1LA Notes, the "**Class A-1L Notes**") in the aggregate principal amount of U.S.\$115,000,000, the Class A-2L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2024 (the "**Class A-2L Notes**") and, with the Class A-1L Notes, the "**Senior Class A Notes**") in the aggregate principal amount of U.S.\$76,000,000, the Class A-3L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2024 (the "**Class A-3L Notes**") and, with the Senior Class A Notes the "**Class A Notes**") in the aggregate principal amount of U.S.\$48,000,000 and the Class B-1L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2024 (the "**Class B-1L Notes**") in the aggregate principal amount of U.S.\$36,000,000 and the Class B-2L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2024 (the "**Class B-2L Notes**") and, with the Class B-1L Notes, the "**Class B Notes**") and, with the Class B-1L Notes and the Class A Notes, the "**Notes**") in the aggregate principal amount of U.S.\$26,000,000 are, with the exception of the Class B-2L Notes, being issued by Rockwall CDO II Ltd. (the "**Issuer**"), a recently formed exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands and will be co-issued by

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It is a condition of issuance that the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class A-1LB Notes each be rated "AAA" by Standard & Poor's Ratings Services ("**S&P**") and "Aaa" by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("**Moody's**"), the Class A-2L Notes be rated at least "AA" by S&P and at least "Aa2" by Moody's, the Class A-3L Notes be rated at least "A" by S&P and at least "A2" by Moody's, the Class B-1L Notes be rated at least "BBB" by S&P and at least "Baa2" by Moody's and the Class B-2L Notes be rated at least "BB" by S&P and at least "Ba2" by Moody's. See "Ratings." Each of the ratings of the Notes described herein assume that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date.

Application may be made to the Irish Stock Exchange to admit the Notes to the Official List of the Irish Stock Exchange. There can be no assurance that such admission will be granted or maintained.

**For certain factors to be considered in connection with an investment in the Notes, see "Special Considerations" and "Notices to Purchasers."**

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The Notes are being offered in registered form to "qualified institutional buyers" within the meaning of Rule 144A ("**Rule 144A**") under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "**Securities Act**"), and to certain persons in transactions outside the United States in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act (and with respect to the Class B-2L Notes, each of whom is also a qualified institutional buyer), all of whom (other than non-U.S. Persons purchasing in offshore transactions under Regulation S) are also "qualified purchasers" within the meaning of Section 3(c)(7) of the U.S. Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "**Investment Company Act**"). Settlement of the Notes will be made in immediately available funds.

THE NOTES HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT NOR HAS EITHER OF THE CO-ISSUERS BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT. THE NOTES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO U.S. PERSONS (AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT), EXCEPT TO "QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYERS" (AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT). THE NOTES MAY ALSO BE OFFERED OR SOLD TO CERTAIN PERSONS IN TRANSACTIONS OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN RELIANCE ON REGULATION S (AND WITH RESPECT TO THE CLASS B-2L NOTES, TO PERSONS WHO ARE ALSO QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYERS). THE NOTES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO U.S. PERSONS EXCEPT TO "QUALIFIED PURCHASERS" (WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT) IN A TRANSACTION THAT DOES NOT CAUSE EITHER OF THE CO-ISSUERS TO BE REQUIRED TO REGISTER UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT. FOR CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS ON RESALE SEE "DELIVERY OF THE NOTES; TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS; SETTLEMENT."

The Notes (other than the Class B-2L Notes) are offered by the Co-Issuers and the Class B-2L Notes are offered by the Issuer through Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. ("**Bear Stearns**") or an "**Initial Purchaser**") and Cantor Fitzgerald & Co. ("**Cantor**" or an "**Initial Purchaser**" and, together with Bear Stearns, the "**Initial Purchasers**") to prospective purchasers from time to time in negotiated transactions at varying prices to be determined in each case at the time of sale. The Notes are offered when, as and if issued by the Co-Issuers (or, in the case of the Class B-2L Notes, the Issuer), subject to prior sale or withdrawal, cancellation or modification of the offer without notice and subject to approval of certain legal matters by counsel and certain other conditions. It is expected that delivery of the Notes will be made on or about May 9, 2007 (the "**Closing Date**"), against payment in immediately available funds. See "Plan of Distribution."

The Notes of each Class sold to Non-U.S. Persons, if any, will be represented on the Closing Date by temporary global notes (the "**Temporary Regulation S Global Note(s)**"), which will be deposited with, in the case of the Notes of each Class, a custodian for and registered in the name of a nominee of The Depository Trust Company ("**DTIC**") for the accounts of Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of The Euroclear System ("**Euroclear**") and Clearstream Banking, société anonyme ("**Clearstream**"). The Notes (other than the Class B-2L Notes) sold to U.S. Persons, if any, will be issued, sold and delivered in book-entry form only through the facilities of The Depository Trust Company. The Class B-2L Notes sold to U.S. Persons, if any, will be issued, sold and delivered in definitive, fully-registered form only.

**Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc.**

**Cantor Fitzgerald & Co.**

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Rockwall CDO II (Delaware) Corp., a recently formed Delaware corporation (the "**Co-Issuer**" and, together with the Issuer, the "**Co-Issuers**"), on a non-recourse basis as described herein. The Class B-2L Notes are being issued by the Issuer on a non-recourse basis as described herein. The Issuer will receive all of the net proceeds of the offering of the Notes, which, together with certain proceeds from the sale of the Preferred Shares (as defined herein) and the Combination Notes (as described herein) of the Issuer on the Closing Date (defined below) will be used by the Issuer to purchase, or commit to purchase, on and after the Closing Date and before the Effective Date (defined below) a portfolio of commercial loans (the "**Portfolio Loans**") and collateralized loan obligations (the "**CLO Securities**"), pledged to secure the Notes (together with the additional commercial loans and collateralized loan obligations, including synthetic securities, that will be purchased by the Issuer from time to time and pledged to secure the Notes and certain other obligations as described herein, the "**Portfolio Collateral**"). As described herein, the Portfolio Collateral will consist primarily of commercial loans and collateralized loan obligations that are rated below investment grade issued by U.S. and certain non-U.S. issuers and that satisfy the criteria described herein.

The Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes and the Class B-2L Notes will provide for the payment of Periodic Interest (as defined herein) (to the extent of funds available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period (as defined herein) at the rate of 0.25%, 0.55%, 0.70%, 1.00%, 2.25% and 4.25% *per annum*, respectively, above the London interbank offered rate for three-month U.S. dollar deposits (or, for the period from the Closing Date to the first Payment Date, as described herein) ("**LIBOR**") (determined as described herein). Such payments are in each case to be made at the times and subject to the priority of payments described herein.

On the Closing Date, the Issuer will also issue the Combination Notes (the "**Combination Notes**"), which will represent an ownership interest in a portion of the Class B-1L Notes and a portion of the Class I Preferred Shares as described herein. The Combination Notes are not offered hereby.

The Final Maturity Dates of the Notes are subject to multiple extensions to the applicable Extended Final Maturity Date if the Issuer provides timely notice and the Extension Conditions are satisfied as described herein.

Principal of the Notes will be payable at the times, in the amounts, and subject to the priority of payment provisions described herein. **The Notes are subject to redemption at the times and under the circumstances described herein, including, without limitation, Initial Deposit Redemption, O/C Redemption, Optional Redemption, Special Redemption, Tax Event Redemption and Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption as described herein.**

The Notes, with the exception of the Class B-2L Notes, are non-recourse obligations of the Co-Issuers, and the Class B-2L Notes are non-recourse obligations of the Issuer, payable solely from the Trust Estate as described herein. The Class B-2L Notes are subordinated to the Class B-1L Notes and the Class A Notes, the Class B-1L Notes are subordinated to the Class A Notes, the Class A-3L Notes are subordinated to the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2L Notes are subordinated to the Class A-1L Notes and the Class A-1LB Notes are subordinated to the Class A-1LA Notes, in each case to the extent described herein. To the extent the assets of the Trust Estate are insufficient to pay in full all amounts due on the Notes, the Co-Issuers shall have no further obligations in respect of the Notes and any sums outstanding and unpaid shall be extinguished.

## NOTICES TO PURCHASERS

THE NOTES HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY OTHER JURISDICTION AND MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED WITHIN THE UNITED STATES, OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, UNITED STATES PERSONS, UNLESS A REGISTRATION STATEMENT WITH RESPECT THERETO IS THEN EFFECTIVE UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OR AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND APPLICABLE STATE SECURITIES LAWS IS AVAILABLE. THE CO-ISSUERS HAVE NO OBLIGATION OR CURRENT INTENTION TO EFFECT SUCH REGISTRATION. THE CO-ISSUERS ARE RELYING ON AN EXCLUSION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT, PURSUANT TO THE EXEMPTIONS PROVIDED IN RULE 3a-7 AND/OR SECTION 3(c)(7) UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT, AND NO TRANSFER OF A NOTE MAY BE MADE WHICH WOULD CAUSE THE CO-ISSUERS TO BECOME SUBJECT TO THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT. THE NOTES ARE ALSO SUBJECT TO CERTAIN OTHER RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFER DESCRIBED HEREIN. PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS OF THE NOTES SHOULD PROCEED ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT THEY MUST HOLD THEIR INVESTMENT FOR AN INDEFINITE PERIOD OF TIME.

THE PURCHASER OF A NOTE, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE THEREOF, REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER SUCH NOTE EXCEPT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT AND OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS AND EXCEPT (A) IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, WHOM THE SELLER HAS INFORMED, IN EACH CASE, THAT THE RESALE, PLEDGE OR OTHER TRANSFER IS BEING MADE IN RELIANCE ON RULE 144A, PROVIDED THAT SUCH PURCHASER DELIVERS ALL DOCUMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS AS THE CO-ISSUERS OR THE TRUSTEE MAY REASONABLY REQUEST; (B) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 903 OR 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND, WITH RESPECT TO THE CLASS B-2L NOTES, TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS ALSO A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A, PROVIDED THAT SUCH PURCHASER DELIVERS ALL DOCUMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS AS THE CO-ISSUERS OR THE TRUSTEE MAY REASONABLY REQUEST; OR (C) TO THE CO-ISSUERS OR THEIR AFFILIATES, IN EACH CASE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANY APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAW OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER JURISDICTION. IN ADDITION, THE PURCHASER OF A NOTE, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE THEREOF, REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER SUCH NOTE OTHER THAN TO A NON-U.S. PERSON IN AN "OFFSHORE TRANSACTION" IN COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATION S THAT, WITH RESPECT TO THE CLASS B-2L NOTES, IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, EXCEPT TO A "QUALIFIED PURCHASER" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT IN A TRANSACTION THAT DOES NOT CAUSE THE CO-ISSUERS TO BE REQUIRED TO REGISTER UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT AND WILL ALSO BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE REPRESENTATIONS SET FORTH UNDER "DELIVERY OF THE NOTES; TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS; SETTLEMENT." FURTHER, THE NOTES MAY NOT BE SOLD OR TRANSFERRED UNLESS SUCH SALE OR TRANSFER WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE"). THE CLASS B-1L NOTES MAY NOT BE SOLD OR TRANSFERRED TO ANY PLAN SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, OR TO ANY PERSON ACTING ON BEHALF OF OR WITH "PLAN ASSETS" OF ANY SUCH PLAN, INCLUDING AN INSURANCE COMPANY GENERAL ACCOUNT, UNLESS THE PURCHASER OR TRANSFEREE IS ELIGIBLE FOR THE EXEMPTIVE RELIEF AVAILABLE UNDER ANY OF SECTION 408(b)(17) OF ERISA OR PTCE 96-23, 95-60, 91-38, 90-1 OR 84-14. THE CLASS B-2L NOTES MAY NOT BE SOLD OR TRANSFERRED TO ANY PLAN SUBJECT TO ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, TO ANY PERSON ACTING ON BEHALF OF OR WITH "PLAN ASSETS" OF ANY SUCH PLAN, OR TO ANY OTHER "BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR" (AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(42)

OF ERISA) (A "BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR"), INCLUDING AN INSURANCE COMPANY GENERAL ACCOUNT, EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH HEREIN UNDER "CERTAIN ERISA CONSIDERATIONS."

THE NOTES, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE CLASS B-2L NOTES, ARE NON-RECOURSE OBLIGATIONS OF THE CO-ISSUERS AND THE CLASS B-2L NOTES ARE NON-RECOURSE OBLIGATIONS OF THE ISSUER. PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE NOTES WILL BE PAID SOLELY FROM AND TO THE EXTENT OF THE AVAILABLE PROCEEDS FROM THE DISTRIBUTIONS ON THE PORTFOLIO COLLATERAL AND, UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, AMOUNTS ON DEPOSIT IN THE INITIAL DEPOSIT ACCOUNT, WHICH ARE THE ONLY SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL OF, INTEREST ON AND OTHER AMOUNTS PAYABLE IN RESPECT OF THE NOTES. TO THE EXTENT SUCH SOURCES OF PAYMENT ARE INSUFFICIENT TO PAY IN FULL ALL AMOUNTS DUE ON THE NOTES, THE CO-ISSUERS SHALL HAVE NO FURTHER OBLIGATIONS IN RESPECT OF THE NOTES AND ANY SUMS OUTSTANDING AND UNPAID SHALL BE EXTINGUISHED.

FOR THESE REASONS, AMONG OTHERS, AN INVESTMENT IN THE NOTES IS NOT SUITABLE FOR ALL INVESTORS AND IS APPROPRIATE ONLY FOR AN INVESTOR CAPABLE OF (A) ANALYZING AND ASSESSING THE RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH DEFAULTS, LOSSES AND RECOVERIES ON, APPLICATION OF PROCEEDS OF AND OTHER CHARACTERISTICS OF, DEBT SECURITIES SUCH AS THE PORTFOLIO COLLATERAL, AND (B) BEARING SUCH RISKS AND FINANCIAL CONSEQUENCES THEREOF AS THEY RELATE TO AN INVESTMENT IN THE NOTES.

EACH PURCHASER OF A NOTE BY ITS ACCEPTANCE THEREOF ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT IS USING ITS INDEPENDENT JUDGMENT IN ASSESSING THE OPPORTUNITIES AND RISKS PRESENTED BY THE NOTES FOR ITS INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO AND IN DETERMINING WHETHER THE ACQUISITION IS SUITABLE AND COMPLIES WITH SUCH PURCHASER'S INVESTMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES.

EXCEPT AS SET FORTH IN THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR, NO PERSON IS AUTHORIZED TO GIVE ANY INFORMATION OR TO MAKE ANY REPRESENTATION NOT CONTAINED IN THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR AND, IF GIVEN OR MADE, SUCH INFORMATION OR REPRESENTATION MUST NOT BE RELIED UPON. THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO SELL OR THE SOLICITATION OF AN OFFER TO BUY ANY OF THE NOTES OFFERED HEREBY IN ANY JURISDICTION TO ANY PERSON TO WHICH IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE SUCH OFFER IN SUCH JURISDICTION NOR TO ANY PERSON WHO HAS NOT RECEIVED A COPY OF EACH CURRENT AMENDMENT OR SUPPLEMENT HERETO, IF ANY.

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THE NOTES ARE BEING OFFERED ONLY TO A LIMITED NUMBER OF INVESTORS (ALL OF WHICH ARE REQUIRED TO BE QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYERS OR INVESTORS WHO ARE OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S OF

THE SECURITIES ACT, WHICH, WITH RESPECT TO THE CLASS B-2L NOTES, ARE REQUIRED TO BE QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYERS) THAT ARE WILLING AND ABLE TO CONDUCT AN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION OF THE CHARACTERISTICS OF THE NOTES AND RISKS OF OWNERSHIP OF THE NOTES. IT IS EXPECTED THAT PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN THIS OFFERING WILL CONDUCT AN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION OF THE RISKS POSED BY AN INVESTMENT IN THE NOTES. OFFICERS AND OTHER REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CO-ISSUERS AND THE INITIAL PURCHASERS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE CO-ISSUERS, THE NOTES AND THE COLLATERAL AND WILL, UPON REQUEST, MAKE AVAILABLE SUCH OTHER INFORMATION AS INVESTORS MAY REASONABLY REQUEST.

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THE TRUSTEE AND ITS AFFILIATES HAVE NOT PARTICIPATED IN THE PREPARATION OF THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR AND DO NOT ASSUME ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR ITS CONTENTS.

#### **AVAILABLE INFORMATION**

To permit compliance with Rule 144A under the Securities Act for resales of Notes, the Co-Issuers will make available to Holders and prospective purchasers who request such information, the information required to be delivered under Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act if at the time of the request either the Issuer or the Co-Issuer is not a reporting company under Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act or if either the Issuer or the Co-Issuer is not exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act. Copies of all such documents may be obtained free of charge from the office of the Trustee or the Irish Paying Agent. Neither of the Co-Issuers expects to become such a reporting company or to be so exempt from reporting.

## CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR SUMMARY

The following summary is qualified in its entirety by reference to the more detailed information appearing elsewhere in this Confidential Offering Circular and the documents referred to herein. A glossary (the "**Glossary**") of certain defined terms used herein appears as Annex A to this Confidential Offering Circular.

### The Issuer

Rockwall CDO II Ltd., a recently formed limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the "**Issuer**"). The activities of the Issuer will be limited to (i) the acquisition and disposition of Portfolio Collateral and other assets permitted by the Indenture, (ii) the issuance of the Notes, which will be secured by the Portfolio Collateral and certain other assets pledged by the Issuer under the Indenture, (iii) the issuance of the Preferred Shares, (iv) the issuance of the Combination Notes, and (v) other activities incidental to the foregoing, including the ownership of 100% of the stock of the Co-Issuer.

### The Co-Issuer

Rockwall CDO II (Delaware) Corp., a recently formed Delaware corporation (the "**Co-Issuer**" and, together with the Issuer, the "**Co-Issuers**"). The Co-Issuer will have no substantial assets.

### Securities Offered

U.S.\$635,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Class A-1LA Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2024 (the "**Class A-1LA Notes**"), U.S.\$115,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Class A-1LB Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2024 (the "**Class A-1LB Notes**" and, together with the Class A-1LA Notes, the "**Class A-1L Notes**"), U.S.\$76,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Class A-2L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2024 (the "**Class A-2L Notes**" and, with the Class A-1L Notes, the "**Senior Class A Notes**"), U.S.\$48,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Class A-3L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2024 (the "**Class A-3L Notes**" and, with the Senior Class A Notes, the "**Class A Notes**"), U.S.\$36,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Class B-1L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2024 (the "**Class B-1L Notes**") and U.S.\$26,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Class B-2L Floating Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2024 (the "**Class B-2L Notes**" and, together with the Class B-1L Notes and the Class A Notes, the "**Notes**").

The Notes will be issued on the Closing Date pursuant to an indenture (the "**Indenture**"), to be dated as of May 9, 2007, among the Co-Issuers and Investors Bank & Trust Company, as trustee (the "**Trustee**") and as securities intermediary. **The Notes, with the exception of the Class B-2L Notes, will be non-recourse obligations of the Co-Issuers, the Class B-2L Notes will be non-recourse obligations of the Issuer, and all amounts payable in respect of the Notes will be paid solely from and to the extent of the available proceeds from the Trust Estate. To the extent the assets of the Trust Estate are insufficient to pay all amounts due on the Notes, the Co-Issuers shall have no further obligations in respect of the Notes and any sums outstanding and unpaid shall be extinguished.**

On the Closing Date, the Issuer will also issue its Class I Preferred Shares (the "**Class I Preferred Shares**") and its Class II Preferred Shares (the "**Class II Preferred Shares**" and, together with the Class I Preferred Shares, the "**Preferred Shares**"). The Preferred Shares are not offered hereby.

In addition, on the Closing Date, the Issuer expects to issue its Combination Notes (the "**Combination Notes**") pursuant to the Indenture. The Combination Notes represent a stapled security comprising two components



(the Note Component and the Preferred Share Component, as further described herein) and, for all purposes under the Indenture and the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the holders of the Combination Notes are holders of the corresponding Notes and Preferred Shares. The Combination Notes do not represent an additional obligation of the Issuer. The Combination Notes are not offered hereby.

Final Maturity Date

The August 1, 2024 Payment Date with respect to the Notes or such earlier date as the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Notes is paid in full; *provided* that, the Final Maturity Dates of the Notes are extendable upon a Maturity Extension (if any) as described herein, in which case the Final Maturity Date of such Notes will be extended to the applicable Extended Final Maturity Date. See "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date."

Use of Proceeds

The proceeds from the sale of the Notes (the date of such sale being referred to herein as the "**Closing Date**"), together with certain proceeds from the sale of the Preferred Shares will be used by the Issuer (i) to fund the purchase (or the entering into of binding commitments to purchase) of a diversified pool of at least U.S.\$900,000,000 (the "**Initial Portfolio Collateral Amount**") in aggregate principal amount of commercial loans and collateralized loan obligations which will be pledged on the Closing Date as security for the Notes (the "**Initial Portfolio Collateral**" and, together with all other commercial loans and collateralized loan obligations, including synthetic securities, purchased by the Issuer from time to time and pledged to secure the Notes as described herein, the "**Portfolio Collateral**"), (ii) to fund the deposit (the "**Deposit**") in an account with the Trustee (the "**Initial Deposit Account**") on the Closing Date of cash in an amount, which, together with the Initial Portfolio Collateral Amount, is expected as of such date to enable the Issuer to purchase, or commit to purchase, on or before November 1, 2007 (the "**Effective Date**") an Aggregate Principal Amount of Original Portfolio Collateral equal to at least U.S.\$1,000,000,000 (the "**Required Portfolio Collateral Amount**"), which amount will be held in Eligible Investments pending the purchase of additional Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date, subject to certain restrictions set forth in the Indenture as described below, (iii) to fund the deposit in an account with the Trustee (the "**Expense Reimbursement Account**") on the Closing Date of U.S.\$50,000, which amount will be available for payment from time to time of future expenses of the Issuer pending the receipt of collections in respect of the Portfolio Collateral as described herein, (iv) to fund an account with the Trustee (the "**Closing Expense Account**") on the Closing Date, which will be used to pay fees and other expenses related to the transaction, and (v) an amount equal to U.S.\$1,500,000 to fund a portion of amounts payable by the Issuer on any Payment Date (the "**Reserve Amount**") in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Portfolio Collateral purchased or committed to be purchased on or before the Effective Date is referred to herein as "**Original Portfolio Collateral**." Portfolio Collateral purchased by the Issuer with Collections is referred to herein as "**Additional Portfolio Collateral**," and Portfolio Collateral purchased by the Issuer with Collateral Disposition Proceeds from the disposition of Portfolio Collateral after the Closing Date is referred to herein as "**Substitute Portfolio Collateral**."

Form, Denominations and  
Record Dates

The Notes of each Class offered and sold outside the United States pursuant to Regulation S under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "**Securities Act**"), initially will be evidenced by a temporary global note which will be exchangeable for a permanent global note with respect to such Class as

described herein. The Notes (other than the Class B-2L Notes) sold to Qualified Institutional Buyers (as defined herein) pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act will be issued in book-entry form only through the facilities of The Depository Trust Company. The Class B-2L Notes sold to Qualified Institutional Buyers pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act will be issued only in definitive, fully-registered form.

Subject to the foregoing, the Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$200,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1 in excess thereof. No Notes will be issued in bearer form. The Notes are subject to certain restrictions on transfer. The record date (the "**Record Date**") for each Payment Date (including the Final Maturity Date) (as each such term is defined below) is the Business Day immediately preceding such Payment Date; *provided, however*, if Definitive Notes are issued, the Record Date for such Definitive Notes shall be the fifteenth calendar day preceding such Payment Date.

#### Class A-1L Notes

*General.* The Co-Issuers expect to issue approximately U.S.\$635,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of Class A-1LA Notes and U.S.\$115,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of Class A-1LB Notes, each to be secured by the Portfolio Collateral pursuant to the Indenture.

*Interest.* The Class A-1L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest ("**Periodic Interest**" with respect to the Class A-1L Notes) (to the extent of funds available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period (as defined herein) at the rate of 0.25% with respect to the Class A-1LA Notes and 0.55% with respect to the Class A-1LB Notes, *per annum* above the London interbank offered rate for three-month U.S. dollar deposits (or, for the period from the Closing Date to the first Payment Date, as described herein) ("**LIBOR**") (determined as described herein) (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class A-1LA Notes and Class A-1LB Notes, respectively) on the first day of February, May, August and November of each year or, if any such day is not a Business Day, then on the next succeeding Business Day (each such date, a "**Payment Date**"), commencing on November 1, 2007. Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed. Payments of interest to the Class A-1L Notes will be payable *pari passu* among the Class A-1L Notes as described herein.

*Principal.* No principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-1L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of an Initial Deposit Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-1L Notes as described herein. On each Payment Date with respect to the Amortization Period, the principal of the Class A-1L Notes will be payable (to the extent of funds available therefor and in the order of priority described herein) first to the Class A-1LA Notes and then to the Class A-1LB Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes has been paid in full. The Class A-1LB Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Class A-1LA Notes to the extent described herein. All outstanding principal of the Class A-1L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date.

#### Class A-2L Notes

*General.* The Co-Issuers expect to issue approximately U.S.\$76,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of Class A-2L Notes to be secured by the Portfolio Collateral pursuant to the Indenture.

***Interest.* No interest will be payable in respect of the Class A-2L Notes on any Payment Date unless the Holders of the Class A-1L Notes have been paid the Cumulative Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date and, in the case of the Final Maturity Date, until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes has been paid in full.**

The Class A-2L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest ("**Periodic Interest**" with respect to the Class A-2L Notes) (to the extent of funds available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the rate of 0.70% *per annum* above LIBOR (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class A-2L Notes) on each Payment Date, commencing on the November 1, 2007 Payment Date. Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed.

***Principal.*** No principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-2L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-2L Notes. In connection with a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption, an Optional Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption, no principal in respect of the Class A-2L Notes will be payable until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes has been paid in full. On each Payment Date with respect to the Amortization Period after the Class A-1L Notes has been paid in full, principal of the Class A-2L Notes will be payable (to the extent of funds available therefor and in the order of priority described herein) until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2L Notes has been paid in full. All outstanding principal of the Class A-2L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date. The Class A-2L Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Class A-1L Notes to the extent described herein.

#### Class A-3L Notes

***General.*** The Co-Issuers expect to issue approximately U.S.\$48,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of Class A-3L Notes to be secured by the Portfolio Collateral pursuant to the Indenture.

***Interest.* No interest will be payable on the Class A-3L Notes on any Payment Date unless the Holders of the Class A-1L Notes and the Class A-2L Notes have been paid the Cumulative Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date and, in the case of the Final Maturity Date, until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Senior Class A Notes has been paid in full.**

The Class A-3L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest ("**Periodic Interest**" with respect to the Class A-3L Notes) (to the extent of funds available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the rate of 1.00% *per annum* above LIBOR (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class A-3L Notes) on each Payment Date commencing on the November 1, 2007 Payment Date. The failure to pay in full Periodic Interest on the Class A-3L Notes as a result of insufficient funds being available therefor will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Senior Class A Notes are Outstanding. Any shortfall in the payment of Periodic Interest to the Class A-3L Notes on any Payment Date will be payable, together with interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate, on one or more subsequent Payment Dates (to the extent funds are

available therefor and subject to the priority of distribution provisions described herein). Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed.

*Principal.* No principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-3L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-3L Notes. On each Payment Date with respect to the Amortization Period after the Class A-1L Notes and the Class A-2L Notes have been paid in full, principal of the Class A-3L Notes will be payable (to the extent of funds available therefor and in the order of priority described herein) until the Payment Date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes has been paid in full. In connection with a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption, an Optional Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption, no principal in respect of the Class A-3L Notes will be payable until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes and the Class A-2L Notes have been paid in full. All outstanding principal of the Class A-3L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date. The Class A-3L Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Senior Class A Notes to the extent described herein.

#### Class B-1L Notes

*General.* The Co-Issuers expect to issue approximately U.S.\$36,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of Class B-1L Notes to be secured by the Portfolio Collateral pursuant to the Indenture.

*Interest.* **No interest will be payable on the Class B-1L Notes on any Payment Date unless the Holders of the Class A-1L Notes and the Class A-2L Notes have been paid the Cumulative Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date and the Holders of the Class A-3L Notes have been paid the Cumulative Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date, the Overcollateralization Tests with respect to the Class A Notes and the Interest Coverage Test have been satisfied, and, in the case of the Final Maturity Date, until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes has been paid in full.**

The Class B-1L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest ("**Periodic Interest**" with respect to the Class B-1L Notes) (to the extent funds are available therefor and in the order of priority described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the rate of 2.25% *per annum* above LIBOR (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class B-1L Notes) on each Payment Date commencing on the November 1, 2007 Payment Date. The failure to pay in full Periodic Interest on the Class B-1L Notes as a result of insufficient funds being available therefor will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Class A Notes are Outstanding. Any shortfall in the payment of Periodic Interest to the Class B-1L Notes on any Payment Date will be payable, together with interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate, on one or more subsequent Payment Dates (to the extent that funds are available therefor and subject to the priority of distribution provisions described herein). Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed.

*Principal.* No principal will be payable in respect of the Class B-1L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes have been paid in full. Principal payments are not expected to begin until the commencement

of the Amortization Period (except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class B-1L Notes) and are to continue until the Payment Date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes has been paid in full. In connection with a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption, an Optional Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption, no principal in respect of the Class B-1L Notes will be payable until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes have been paid in full. All outstanding principal of the Class B-1L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date. The Class B-1L Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Class A Notes to the extent described herein.

#### Class B-2L Notes

*General.* The Co-Issuers expect to issue approximately U.S.\$26,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of Class B-2L Notes to be secured by the Portfolio Collateral pursuant to the Indenture.

*Interest.* **No interest will be payable on the Class B-2L Notes on any Payment Date unless the Holders of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes have been paid the Cumulative Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date, the Overcollateralization Tests with respect to the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes and the Interest Coverage Test have been satisfied, and, in the case of the Final Maturity Date, until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes has been paid in full.**

The Class B-2L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest ("**Periodic Interest**" with respect to the Class B-2L Notes) (to the extent funds are available therefor and in the order of priority described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the rate of 4.25% *per annum* above LIBOR (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class B-2L Notes) on each Payment Date commencing on the November 1, 2007 Payment Date. The failure to pay in full Periodic Interest on the Class B-2L Notes as a result of insufficient funds being available therefor will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Class A Notes and any Class B-1L Notes are Outstanding. Any shortfall in the payment of Periodic Interest to the Class B-2L Notes on any Payment Date will be payable, together with interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate, on one or more subsequent Payment Dates (to the extent that funds are available therefor and subject to the priority of distribution provisions described herein). Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed.

*Principal.* No principal will be payable in respect of the Class B-2L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes have been paid in full, except with respect to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement or upon the failure of the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test, as described herein. Principal payments are not expected to begin until the commencement of the Amortization Period (except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class B-2L Notes or in connection with the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement) and are to continue until the Payment Date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-2L Notes has been paid in full. In connection with a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption, an Optional Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption (other than a Mandatory Redemption due to a failure

of the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test), no principal in respect of the Class B-2L Notes will be payable until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes have been paid in full. All outstanding principal of the Class B-2L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date. The Class B-2L Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Class A Notes and any Class B-1L Notes to the extent described herein.

Application of Funds

On each Payment Date and on the Final Maturity Date, Collateral Interest Collections and Collateral Principal Collections, to the extent of Available Funds in the Collection Account, will be applied by the Trustee in the manner and order of priority set forth herein under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions."

Overcollateralization Tests

The "**Overcollateralization Tests**" are applicable until the Notes are retired and all amounts payable in respect thereof are paid, and are satisfied if the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class A Overcollateralization Percentage (the "**Class A Overcollateralization Test**"), the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Percentage (the "**Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test**") and the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Percentage (the "**Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test**").

Applicability of Overcollateralization Tests

At any time that any of the Notes are Outstanding, if on any Calculation Date related to a Payment Date any Overcollateralization Test (other than the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test) is not satisfied, amounts that are junior in right of payment to such Overcollateralization Test, as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions," will be applied to the redemption of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes (or, in the case of the Class B-1L Notes, first to pay accrued and unpaid interest from prior Payment Dates, then to pay principal) until each such Class is paid in full, in the order and according to the priorities described herein, to the extent necessary to satisfy such Overcollateralization Test, in accordance with the provisions described herein. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test is failing on any Payment Date 50% of available Interest Proceeds will be applied to pay principal on the Class B-2L Notes and 50% (or, after the Class B-2L Notes are paid in full, 100%) of available Interest Proceeds will be applied sequentially to pay principal on the Notes, and Principal Proceeds will be applied sequentially to pay principal on the Notes, to the extent such amounts have not been paid from Interest Proceeds, in each case, according to the priorities described herein. In addition, generally, satisfaction or, in certain cases, maintenance of the Overcollateralization Tests is a condition to the purchase or sale of Portfolio Collateral during certain specified periods.

Interest Coverage Test

The "**Interest Coverage Test**" is applicable on each Payment Date after the second Payment Date and on certain measurement dates after the second Payment Date, and is satisfied if the Interest Coverage Ratio (as described under "Description of the Notes—Interest Coverage Test") is at least 1.5%.

Applicability of Interest Coverage Test

At any time after the second Payment Date, if on any Calculation Date related to a Payment Date the Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, amounts that are junior in right of payment to the Interest Coverage Test as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions," will be applied to the redemption of the Class A Notes until each such Class is paid in full, in the order and according to the priorities described herein, to

the extent necessary to satisfy the Interest Coverage Test in accordance with the provisions described herein. In addition, satisfaction of the Interest Coverage Test on the prior Payment Date is a condition to certain purchases and sales of Portfolio Collateral during certain specified periods as described herein.

Additional Collateral  
Deposit Requirement

As described under "Description of the Notes—Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement," even if the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test are satisfied, on each Payment Date after the second Payment Date, Collateral Interest Collections that would otherwise be used for payments that are junior in right of payment to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions," will be applied (i) during the Revolving Period, to the payment of principal of the Class B-2L Notes and to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral, as described herein, and (ii) during the Amortization Period, to the payment of principal of the Class B-2L Notes and to the payment of principal of each Class of Notes, in each case, in the order and according to the priorities described herein, in an amount equal to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement as described herein.

Rating Confirmation Failure

The Issuer will request that each Rating Agency confirm after the Effective Date that it has not reduced or withdrawn (and not restored) the ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes (a "**Rating Confirmation**"). If the Issuer is unable to obtain a Rating Confirmation by the 35th day after the Effective Date (a "**Rating Confirmation Failure**"), on the next Payment Date and on each subsequent Payment Date during the Revolving Period, amounts that are junior in right of payment to such Rating Confirmation Failure, as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions," will be applied to the redemption of the Notes (or, in the case of the Class B-1L Notes and the Class B-2L Notes, first to pay accrued and unpaid interest due to such Notes from prior Payment Dates, then to pay principal) until each such Class is paid in full, in the order and according to the priorities described herein (a "**Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption**"), to the extent necessary to receive a Rating Confirmation, in accordance with the provisions described herein.

O/C Redemption

If on the Calculation Date related to any Payment Date any Overcollateralization Test (other than the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test) or, after the second Payment Date, the Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, amounts that are junior in right of payment to such test as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions," will be applied by the Issuer to the redemption of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes (or, in the case of the Class B-1L Notes, first to pay accrued and unpaid interest from prior Payment Dates, then to pay principal) until each such Class is paid in full, in each case on a *pro rata* basis among the Noteholders of the applicable Class and in the order and according to the priorities described herein to the extent necessary to satisfy the Overcollateralization Tests (other than the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test) and the Interest Coverage Test, as applicable. If on any Payment Date the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, 50% of available Interest Proceeds will be applied to pay principal on the Class B-2L Notes and 50% (or, after the Class B-2L Notes are paid in full, 100%) of available Interest Proceeds will be applied sequentially to pay principal on the Notes, and Principal Proceeds will be applied sequentially to pay principal on the Notes, to the extent such amounts have not been paid from Interest Proceeds, in each case, according to the priorities described

herein. See "Description of the Notes—O/C Redemption." A redemption of the Notes in connection with any Overcollateralization Test or Interest Coverage Test (an "**O/C Redemption**"), together with a redemption of the Notes through a Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption is sometimes referred to herein as a "**Mandatory Redemption**."

#### Initial Deposit Redemption

To the extent that the full amount of the Deposit is not used to purchase or commit to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral having an Aggregate Principal Amount (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to the Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date) at least equal to the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount in accordance with the guidelines described herein on or before the Effective Date, an amount (not in excess of the unused amount of the Deposit) equal to the difference between the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount and the par amount of Portfolio Collateral actually acquired (or committed to be acquired) (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to the Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date) will be applied by the Issuer on the November 1, 2007 Payment Date (the "**Initial Deposit Redemption Date**") to principal payments of the Class A-1LA Notes (an "**Initial Deposit Redemption**"), except, if the amount of the Deposit not so used to purchase or commit to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral does not exceed U.S.\$2,000,000 in the aggregate, such amount will be transferred to the Collection Account on the Effective Date and applied as Collateral Principal Collections. See "Description of the Notes—Initial Deposit Redemption."

#### Special Redemption

The Notes are redeemable in part at the option of the Issuer, as directed by and at the discretion of the Servicer, on one or more Payment Dates during the Revolving Period, to the extent the Issuer is unable to reinvest more than U.S.\$2,000,000 of principal collections in Additional Portfolio Collateral selected by the Servicer and satisfying the criteria described herein for at least ninety days after receipt, in an amount of at least U.S.\$2,000,000. See "Description of the Notes—Special Redemption."

#### Optional Redemption

The Notes are redeemable in whole at the option of the Issuer at the direction of at least 66-2/3% of the Preferred Shares eligible to vote (including any Class II Preferred Shares held by Highland Financial Partners L.P. or an affiliate or subsidiary thereof ("**HFP**") and any other Preferred Shares held by the Servicer, entities affiliated with the Servicer or clients of the Servicer (collectively, the "**Servicer Entities**") up to a maximum amount equal to the amount of Class II Preferred Shares acquired by HFP on the Closing Date ("**Original HFP Share Amount**"), but excluding any other Preferred Shares beneficially owned or controlled by the Servicer Entities which shall be deemed ineligible to vote) (an "**Optional Redemption**" or an "**Optional Redemption by Liquidation**"), on any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period (the "**Optional Redemption Date**") which date shall then be considered the Final Maturity Date at a price equal to the Optional Redemption Price. In addition, any Class of Notes may be redeemed in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period from the proceeds of a Refinancing (defined below) with the consent of the holders of at least a Majority of the Preferred Shares eligible to vote (including any Preferred Shares held by the Servicer Entities up to the Original HFP Share Amount, but excluding any other Preferred Shares beneficially owned or controlled by the Servicer Entities which shall be deemed ineligible to vote), or at the direction of the holders of at least a majority of such Preferred



Shares (an "**Optional Redemption**" or an "**Optional Redemption by Refinancing**"), if the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, gives notice thereof (with a copy to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies) at least 30 days prior to the Payment Date fixed by the Issuer for such redemption (such date, the "**Refinancing Date**") to redeem such Notes, by obtaining a loan or an issuance of a replacement class of notes, the terms of which loan or issuance will be negotiated by, and acceptable to, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, from one or more financial institutions or purchasers (which may include the Servicer or its affiliates) selected by the Servicer (a Refinancing provided pursuant to such loan or issuance, a "**Refinancing**"), to the extent and subject to the restrictions described herein. See "*Description of the Notes—Optional Redemption.*" Redemption Payments in connection therewith shall be made in the manner and order of priority set forth herein under "*Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions.*"

#### Tax Event Redemption

The Notes are redeemable, at the option of the Issuer, acting at the direction of at least a Majority of the Preferred Shares (or a Majority of the Controlling Class if the Aggregate Principal Balance of Portfolio Collateral is less than 100% of the Class A-1L Notes) (a "**Tax Event Redemption**"), in whole but not in part, at a price equal to the Tax Event Redemption Price if as a result of a change in tax law, rule or regulation or the interpretation thereof, the payments to be received on the Portfolio Collateral are reduced as a result of the imposition of withholding tax or the Issuer is otherwise subjected to tax such that the income of the Issuer is reduced in an amount determined by such Holders of the Preferred Shares to be material. See "*Description of the Notes—Tax Event Redemption.*"

#### Amendment Buy-Out

In the case of any supplemental indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of the Notes or Preferred Shares, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from all Non-Consenting Holders all Notes and Preferred Shares held by such Holders whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture, with certain exceptions as set forth in "Legal Structure—The Indenture—Amendment Buy-Out" (the "**Amendment Buy-Out Option**") for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all Notes and Preferred Shares of Non-Consenting Holders (an "**Amendment Buy-Out**"). By its acceptance of a Note or Preferred Share, each such Holder agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its Notes or Preferred Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser. See "Legal Structure—The Indenture—Amendment Buy-Out."

All purchases made pursuant to the Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Notes set forth in "Delivery of the Notes; Transfer Restrictions; Settlement" herein and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

#### Security for the Notes

The Notes, with the exception of the Class B-2L Notes, are non-recourse obligations of the Co-Issuers and the Class B-2L Notes are non-recourse obligations of the Issuer, with recourse therefor limited solely to any funds and other assets available in the Trust Estate, including the Portfolio Collateral and the proceeds therefrom, and the Hedge Agreements. All payments on the Notes are subject to the priority of distribution provisions described herein.

The Notes will be secured by the Trust Estate, consisting of substantially all property of the Issuer, including the Portfolio Collateral, any Hedge Agreements, the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Expense Account, the Reserve Account, each Default Swap Collateral Account and the Default Swap Issuer Account (collectively, the "**Trust Estate**"). The security interest granted under the Indenture in each Default Swap Collateral Account is subject to and subordinate to the security interest and rights of the relevant Default Swap Counterparty in and to such Default Swap Collateral Account and the security interest granted under the Indenture in the Default Swap Issuer Account is subject to the rights of the relevant Default Swap Counterparty to the extent described in the related Default Swap. References to the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Expense Account, the Reserve Account, the Default Swap Collateral Account and the Default Swap Issuer Account, when used with respect to the contents of the Trust Estate, shall include all proceeds of such Accounts and all Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in such Accounts.

#### The Cap Agreement

On the Closing Date, the Issuer and Bear Stearns Capital Markets Inc. (the "**Cap Provider**") will enter into the cap agreement (the "**Cap Agreement**"), pursuant to which, the Issuer will make a single fixed payment to the Cap Provider at the beginning of such transaction. The Cap Agreement will provide that for each Payment Date, commencing with the Payment Date occurring in February 2008 through the Payment Date occurring in August 2009, on which LIBOR (determined on the related LIBOR Determination Date) exceeds 6% *per annum* (the "**Cap Strike Rate**"), the Cap Provider will pay to the Issuer an amount (the "**Cap Payment**") equal to the excess of LIBOR for such Periodic Interest Accrual Period over the Cap Strike Rate on the notional amount set forth on Annex B hereto for such Payment Date (the "**Cap Notional Amount**") calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed. See "Special Considerations—Interest Rate Risk" and "The Hedge Agreements—The Cap Agreement."

#### Cashflow Swap Agreements

In addition to the Cap Agreement, after the Closing Date, the Issuer may enter into one or more timing swap agreements, including coupon timing swaps (each a "**Cashflow Swap Agreement**" and, together with the Cap Agreement collectively, the "**Hedge Agreements**"), as directed by the Servicer, with any one or more institutions entering into or guaranteeing a Cash Flow Swap Agreement with the Issuer (each a "**Cashflow Swap Counterparty**" and, together with the Cap Provider, a "**Hedge Counterparty**"); *provided* that any such Cashflow Swap Agreement has a maximum term of 10 years. The Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall obtain the approval of each new Cashflow Swap Agreement from each Cashflow Swap Counterparty to a then-existing Cashflow Swap Agreement and the approval of a Majority of the Controlling Class. The Trustee shall only pay amounts due by the Issuer to any Cashflow Swap Counterparties on Payment Dates and in accordance with the priority of payments described herein. See "The Hedge Agreements—Cashflow Swap Agreements."

#### Portfolio Collateral and Deposit

The Portfolio Collateral will consist of United States dollar denominated commercial loans and collateralized loan obligations, including synthetic securities, that are rated primarily below investment grade issued by corporations, partnerships, limited liability companies or trusts. Interests in commercial loans included in the Portfolio Collateral, which may be in the form of participations and assignments, are referred to herein as "**Portfolio**

**Loans**" and the collateralized loan obligations included in the Portfolio Collateral are referred to herein as "**CLO Securities**." See "Security for the Notes—Portfolio Collateral—General."

The Issuer will acquire all of the Initial Portfolio Collateral from various sources, including Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., in each case, at negotiated prices acceptable to the Issuer. Between the Closing Date and the Effective Date, purchases of additional Original Portfolio Collateral from the Deposit together with the Initial Portfolio Collateral will be required to meet the criteria described herein. See "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral."

During the Revolving Period, certain collections and disposition proceeds in respect of Portfolio Collateral may be applied to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral, respectively, subject to satisfaction of the collateral criteria described herein and the satisfaction or, in certain cases, maintenance of the Overcollateralization Tests and, after the second Payment Date, the Interest Coverage Test. In addition, after the Revolving Period, certain limited collections and certain disposition proceeds in respect of Portfolio Collateral may be applied to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral and Substitute Portfolio Collateral subject to satisfaction of the Overcollateralization Tests, the Interest Coverage Test and the collateral criteria contained herein. The Indenture also authorizes the Servicer to direct the Trustee to sell items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, Equity Portfolio Collateral, Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral and other items of Portfolio Collateral, subject to the limitations set forth therein and described herein under "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral," "The Servicer" and "The Servicing Agreement." During any Due Period when certain collections are to be used to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral, the Servicer generally will have the authority to commence the purchase of such Additional Portfolio Collateral if collections have been or are scheduled to be received during such Due Period in an amount at least equal to the sum of the Periodic Reserve Amount.

Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, no item of Portfolio Collateral may be disposed of, and no item of Portfolio Collateral may be acquired, for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. See "Security for the Notes—Portfolio Collateral—General."

Extension of the Revolving Period  
and the Final Maturity Date

The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date up to a maximum of four times (so that the Notes can only be extended to 2040) to extend the Revolving Period to the applicable Extended Revolving Period End Date if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously affected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date, (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied, (iii) the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Revolving Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date and (iv) no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing. For purposes of the foregoing, "**Extension Effective Date**" means if an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extension Effective Date (or, in the case of the first Extension Effective Date, the Payment Date in August 2014) and "**Extended Revolving Period End Date**" means, if an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current

Extended Revolving Period End Date (or, in the case of the first Extension, the Payment Date in August 2018). If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Final Maturity Date of the Notes shall be extended to the related Extended Final Maturity Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of the Notes or the Preferred Shares or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or any other transaction document (the "**Maturity Extension**"). For purposes of the foregoing, "**Extended Final Maturity Date**" means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Final Maturity Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Final Maturity Date, the Payment Date in August 2028) and "**Extended Weighted Average Life Date**" means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Weighted Average Life Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Weighted Average Life Date, May 1, 2024); *provided* that if the Extension Conditions are not satisfied because the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes have failed to deliver an Extension Sale Notice or have failed to provide their written consent to the related Maturity Extension, then the Servicer may extend the Extension Sale Notice Period by seven Business Days if the Servicer shall cause the Extension Conditions set forth in clause (iv) of such definition to be satisfied as of such later date. As a condition to a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes will have the right to offer to sell their Notes to one or more Extension Qualifying Purchasers for purchase on the applicable Extension Effective Date. If all Extension Conditions are satisfied and a Maturity Extension is effected, each Holder of such Notes, other than Extension Sale Securities will be entitled to receive the applicable Extension Bonus Payment, in each case to the extent of available funds and as provided in the priority of payments. Holders of Preferred Shares will not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment. The obligation to make any Extension Bonus Payment shall not be rated by the Rating Agencies. See "Special Considerations—A Maturity Extension," "Maturity and Prepayment Considerations," "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date."

#### Additional Issuance

At any time during the Revolving Period, the Issuer, as applicable, may issue and sell Additional Preferred Shares and use the proceeds therefrom to purchase additional eligible Portfolio Collateral and pay the expenses of such additional issuance (an "**Additional Issuance**"); *provided* that certain conditions precedent specified in the Indenture (as described herein) are satisfied. See "Description of the Notes—Additional Issuance." Any amendment to the Indenture, Issuer's Memorandum of Association and Articles of Association or any other related documents required to provide for or facilitate such Additional Issuance will not require the consent of the Holders of Securities.

#### Accounts

All Collections (together with any income thereon and any upfront payments received from a Hedge Counterparty under a Hedge Agreement) will be remitted to the Trustee and deposited into the Collection Account and will be available, to the extent described herein, for application in the manner and for the purposes as described herein. Funds held in the Collection Account that are not used to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral will be applied as promptly as practicable to purchase Eligible Investments. All cash pledged to the Trustee on the Closing Date which is to be subsequently used to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date will be deposited into the Initial Deposit Account. Funds held in the Initial Deposit Account pending application to purchase Original Portfolio

Collateral will be held in Eligible Investments at the direction of the Issuer. A Closing Expense Account will be established by the Trustee for the payment of fees, commissions and expenses associated with the issuance of the Notes. A Reserve Account will be established by the Trustee to fund a portion of the payments to be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments, or to otherwise fund any payments of interest or principal on the Notes at the direction of the Servicer. An Expense Reimbursement Account of U.S.\$50,000 will be established by the Trustee for the payment of Issuer administrative expenses which become due and must be paid between Payment Dates. Any amounts withdrawn from the Expense Reimbursement Account will be reimbursed on each Payment Date in accordance with the priority of distribution provisions described herein. The Trustee will establish a Loan Funding Account into which certain amounts with respect to any Delayed Drawdown Loans and Revolving Bank Loans will be deposited. The Trustee will establish the Default Swap Collateral Account to which Default Swap Collateral will be credited for the benefit of the related Default Swap Counterparties. In addition, if the terms of any Default Swap require the related Default Swap Counterparty to secure its obligations with respect to such Default Swap, the Trustee will cause to be established a Default Swap Issuer Account in respect of such Default Swap. Funds held in such Accounts will be held in Eligible Investments. See "Security for the Notes—Accounts."

The Servicer

Highland Capital Management, L.P. (the "**Servicer**" or "**Highland**"), will service the Portfolio Collateral and perform certain other reporting functions pursuant to a servicing agreement with the Issuer (the "**Servicing Agreement**"). See "The Servicer" and "The Servicing Agreement."

It is expected that Highland Financial Partners, L.P. or an affiliate or subsidiary thereof ("**HFP**") will purchase approximately 13,450,000 Class I Preferred Shares and 44,000,000 of the Class II Preferred Shares of the Issuer on the Closing Date, representing approximately 67% of the total Preferred Shares outstanding (the "**Original HFP Share Amount**"). In addition, the Servicer Entities may also acquire Notes or Preferred Shares upon the occurrence of an Amendment Buy-Out or a Maturity Extension as described herein. See "Special Considerations—Conflicts of Interest," "Special Considerations—Amendment Buy-Out Risk," "Special Considerations—Amendment Buy-Out Risk," "Legal Structure—The Indenture—Amendment Buy-Out," "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date" and "The Servicing Agreement."

The Trustee

Investors Bank & Trust Company, as Trustee under the Indenture. The Trustee maintains its principal corporate trust offices at 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code: EUC108, Boston, MA 02116, at which the Notes may be surrendered for payment or for transfer or exchange.

Independent Accountants

A firm of Independent Accountants as selected by the Servicer, or any successor accounting firm selected pursuant to the Indenture, will periodically perform certain procedures with respect to the Portfolio Collateral and the compliance with the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test as required by the Indenture.

The Administrator

Maples Finance Limited (the "**Administrator**") will act as administrator for the Issuer in the Cayman Islands and will perform certain administrative services on behalf of the Issuer. The Administrator maintains its offices at P.O. Box 1093 GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands.

Option to Acquire Credit  
Enhancement

The Indenture will provide that Holders of any Class of Notes may elect to acquire bond insurance, a surety bond or similar credit enhancement supporting the payment of principal and/or interest on such Class of Notes, on terms and conditions acceptable to such Holders. Any Class of Notes subject to such enhancement will be designated as Insured Notes of such Class. Premiums for any such enhancement will be payable from amounts otherwise payable to such Class of Insured Notes or in such other manner chosen by such Holder. Any Insured Notes of a Class for substantially all other purposes will be treated as Notes of such Class, except that the issuer of the bond insurance policy, surety bond or other such credit enhancement will generally be deemed to be the Holder of the Notes of such Class enhanced by such entity and will in such capacity be entitled to exercise the rights otherwise exercisable by Holders of such Notes.

Certain Federal Income  
Tax Consequences

*Federal Income Tax Consequences to U.S. Holders of Notes.* The Notes should be treated as debt of the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes. Under rules applicable to original issue discount, a U.S. Holder of a Class A-3L Note, a Class B-1L Note or a Class B-2L Note may need to include all stated interest as original issue discount in gross income as it accrues according to a constant yield method based on daily compounding, regardless of such Holder's method of accounting. See "Certain Tax Considerations."

*Federal Income Tax Consequences to Non-U.S. Holders.* A Non-U.S. Holder that has no connection with the United States other than holding its Note will generally not be subject to United States federal withholding tax or income tax on payments of principal and interest (including original issue discount) in respect of a Note. See "Certain Tax Considerations—Non-U.S. Holders."

*Federal Income Tax Consequences to the Issuer.* The Issuer intends to acquire the Portfolio Collateral and Eligible Investments the interest on which and any gain from the sale or disposition with respect to which is not expected to be subject to United States federal withholding tax or withholding tax imposed by other countries (unless, in the case of interest, the obligor is required to "gross up" its payments to compensate for these taxes). Moreover, the Issuer does not expect to be subject to U.S. net income tax because the Issuer does not expect that it will be engaged in a trade or business in the U.S. for U.S. federal income tax purposes. See "Certain Tax Considerations – United States Federal Income Tax Consequences to the Issuer."

Certain ERISA Considerations

Fiduciaries and other persons investing "plan assets" of employee benefit or other plans subject to Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("**ERISA**"), or Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "**Code**") (each, a "**Plan**"), should consider the fiduciary investment standards and prohibited transaction rules of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code before authorizing an investment of "plan assets" of any Plan in the Notes. Each person purchasing a Class A-1LA Note, a Class A-1LB Note, a Class A-2L Note or a Class A-3L Note will be deemed to have made certain representations regarding the prohibited transaction rules of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code. The Class B-1L Notes may not be sold or transferred to any Plan, or to any person acting on behalf of or with "plan assets" of any Plan, including an insurance company general account, unless the purchaser or transferee is eligible for the exemptive relief available under any of Section 408(b)(17) of ERISA or PTCE 96-23, 95-60, 91-38, 90-1 or 84-14. The Class B-2L Notes may not be sold or transferred to any Plan, or to any person acting on behalf of or with "plan assets" of any Plan, or to any other "benefit plan investor" (as defined in Section 3(42) of ERISA) (a

"Benefit Plan Investor"), including an insurance company general account, except in accordance with the restrictions set forth herein. See "Certain ERISA Considerations." See "Certain ERISA Considerations."

#### Legal Investment

Institutions whose investment activities are subject to legal investment laws and regulations or to review by certain regulatory authorities may be subject to conditions on investment in the Notes. See "Certain Legal Investment Considerations."

#### Rating of Notes

It is a condition to the issuance of the Notes that the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class A-1LB Notes be rated "AAA" by Standard & Poor's Ratings Services ("**S&P**") and "Aaa" by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("**Moody's**"), that the Class A-2L Notes be rated at least "AA" by S&P and at least "Aa2" by Moody's, that the Class A-3L Notes be rated at least "A" by S&P and at least "A2" by Moody's, that the Class B-1L Notes be rated at least "BBB" by S&P and at least "Baa2" by Moody's and that the Class B-2L Notes be rated at least "BB" by S&P and at least "Ba2" by Moody's. Each of S&P and Moody's is sometimes referred to herein as a "**Rating Agency**." Each of the ratings of the Notes described herein assume that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date.

**The ratings of the Notes by S&P address solely the likelihood of timely payment of the Periodic Interest Amount on and the ultimate payment of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Senior Class A Notes, the ultimate payment of the Cumulative Interest Amount and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes and the Class B-2L Notes. The ratings of the Notes by Moody's address the ultimate cash receipt of all required payments as provided by the governing documents, and are based on the expected loss to the Noteholders of each Class relative to the promise of receiving the present value of such payments. Any obligation to make an Extension Bonus Payment will not be rated by the Rating Agencies. A rating is not a recommendation to purchase, hold or sell securities, in as much as such rating does not comment as to market price or suitability for a particular investor and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning rating organization.**

Security ratings are subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning Rating Agency. In the event that any rating initially assigned to the Notes is subsequently lowered for any reason, no person or entity is obligated to provide any additional support or credit enhancement with respect to the Notes, nor will any other remedies be available to Noteholders. The Issuer has not requested a rating on the Notes by any rating agencies other than S&P and Moody's, although data with respect to the Portfolio Collateral may have been provided to other rating agencies solely for informational purposes. There can be no assurance that, if a rating is assigned to the Notes by any other rating agency, such rating will be as high as that assigned by the applicable Rating Agencies.

#### Listing

Application may be made to the Irish Stock Exchange to admit the Notes to the Official List. There can be no assurance that such admission will be granted or maintained.

## SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Prospective Holders of Notes should consider, among other things, the following factors in connection with the purchase of the Notes.

1. Non-recourse Obligations. The Notes, with the exception of the Class B-2L Notes, will be non-recourse obligations of the Co-Issuers and the Class B-2L Notes will be non-recourse obligations of the Issuer, payable solely from the Portfolio Collateral (including the Portfolio Collateral initially pledged to secure the Notes, as well as Additional Portfolio Collateral and Substitute Portfolio Collateral to be purchased from time to time as described herein), any Hedge Agreement, the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account, the Default Swap Collateral Account (subject to the rights of the related Default Swap Counterparty), the Default Swap Issuer Account (subject to the rights of the related Default Swap Counterparty) the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Closing Expense Account, including all proceeds of such Accounts and all Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in such Accounts (collectively, the "**Trust Estate**") pledged to secure the Notes. The Issuer, as a special purpose Cayman Islands company, will have no significant assets other than the Trust Estate. The Co-Issuer will have no substantial assets, and no other person or entity except for the Co-Issuers will be obligated to make any payments on the Notes. Consequently, Holders of the Notes must rely solely upon distributions on the Trust Estate for the payment of amounts payable in respect of the Notes. If distributions on the Trust Estate are insufficient to make payments on the Notes, no other assets of the Issuer or any other person or entity will be available for the payment of the deficiency, the Co-Issuers shall have no further obligation to pay such deficiency, and any sums outstanding and unpaid shall be extinguished.

2. Subordination. The Class A-1LB Notes are subordinated to the Class A-1LA Notes with respect to principal only, to the extent described herein, the Class A-2L Notes are subordinated to the Class A-1L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes are subordinated to the Senior Class A Notes, the Class B-1L Notes are subordinated to the Class A Notes and the Class B-2L Notes are subordinated to the Class B-1L Notes, and, in the case of each Class of Notes, to the payment of certain fees and expenses as described herein. Payments of principal and interest on the Notes are subject to the priority of distribution provisions described herein. The failure to pay interest on the Class A-3L Notes will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Senior Class A Notes remain Outstanding, the failure to pay interest on the Class B-1L Notes will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Class A Notes remain Outstanding and the failure to pay interest on the Class B-2L Notes will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Class A Notes or Class B-1L Notes remain Outstanding. In addition, in the case of a Default or an Event of Default, so long as any Senior Class A Notes remain Outstanding, the Holders of such Senior Class A Notes will generally be entitled to determine the remedies to be exercised under the Indenture. Remedies pursued by the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes could be adverse to the interests of the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes and the Class B-2L Notes. Once an Event of Default has occurred and the Notes have been accelerated, Holders of the Class A-2L Notes are not entitled to be paid the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect thereto and the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof unless the Class A-1L Notes have been paid such amounts in full in cash, Holders of the Class A-3L Notes are not entitled to be paid the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect thereto and the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof unless the Senior Class A Notes have been paid such amounts in full in cash, the Holders of the Class B-1L Notes are not entitled to be paid the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect thereto and the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof unless the Class A Notes have been paid such amounts in full in cash and the Holders of the Class B-2L Notes are not entitled to be paid the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect thereto and the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof unless the Class B-1L have been paid such amounts in full in cash. Notwithstanding such subordination, the Holders of the Class B-2L Notes may be entitled to payments of principal in connection with the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement and upon the failure of the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test before the Notes senior thereto receive any payments of principal.

3. Nature of Collateral Pledged to Secure the Notes; Ability to Obtain Additional Portfolio Collateral; Availability of Funds for Subordinate Payments. The Portfolio Collateral pledged to secure the Notes includes commercial loans and collateralized loan obligations of both U.S. and certain non-U.S. obligors rated below investment grade, which have greater credit and liquidity risk than more highly rated obligations, and synthetic securities.



The Portfolio Collateral will consist primarily of senior secured floating rate term commercial loans. Other loans in which the Issuer may invest include unsecured loans, second lien loans, debtor-in-possession financings and delayed drawdown loans and revolving bank loans. Loans are not generally traded on organized exchange markets but rather would typically be traded by banks and other institutional investors engaged in loan syndications. The liquidity of the Portfolio Loans will therefore depend on the liquidity of this market. Trading in loans is subject to delays as transfers may require extensive and customized documentation, the payment of significant fees and the consent of the agent bank or underlying obligor. Furthermore, Portfolio Loans typically provide that the applicable interest rate may be computed by reference to any of several base indices, at the option of the obligor. The interest rates of the Notes generally are calculated by reference to three-month LIBOR as an index. See "—Interest Rate Risk."

The Issuer intends to purchase Participations of Portfolio Loans in certain circumstances. Participations held by the Issuer in a Selling Institution's portion of a Portfolio Loan typically result in a contractual relationship only with such Selling Institution, not with the obligor. The Issuer has the right to receive payments of principal, interest and any fees to which it is entitled only from the Selling Institution selling the Participation and only upon receipt by such Selling Institution of such payments from the obligor. In connection with purchasing Participations, the Issuer generally will have no right to enforce compliance by the obligor with the terms of the related loan agreement, nor any rights of set-off against the obligor and the Issuer may not directly benefit from the collateral supporting the Portfolio Loan in which it has purchased the Participation. As a result, the Issuer will assume the credit risk of both the obligor and the Selling Institution selling the Participation. In the event of the insolvency of such Selling Institution, the Issuer may be treated as a general creditor of such Selling Institution, and may not benefit from any set-off between such Selling Institution and the obligor. When the Issuer holds a Participation in a Portfolio Loan it may not have the right to vote to waive enforcement of any restrictive covenant breached by an obligor or, if the Issuer does not vote as requested by the Selling Institution, it may be subject to repurchase of the Participation at par. Selling Institutions voting in connection with a potential waiver of a restrictive covenant may have interests different from those of the Issuer, and such Selling Institutions may not consider the interests of the Issuer in connection with their votes.

The Issuer will also purchase Assignments. The purchaser of an Assignment typically succeeds to all the rights and obligations of the assignor of the loan and becomes a lender under the loan agreement and other operative agreements relating to the Portfolio Loan. Assignments are, however, arranged through private negotiations between potential assignees and potential assignors, and the rights and obligations acquired by the purchaser of an Assignment may differ from, and be more limited than, those held by the assignor of the loan. In contrast to the rights of the Issuer as an owner of a Participation, the Issuer, as an assignee, will generally have the right to receive directly from the obligor all payments of principal, interest and any fees to which it is entitled. In some Assignments, the obligor may have the right to continue to make payments to the assignor with respect to the assigned portion of the Portfolio Loan. In such a case, the assignor would be obligated to receive such payments as agent for the Issuer and to promptly pay over to the Issuer such amounts as are received. As a purchaser of an Assignment, the Issuer typically will have the same voting rights as other lenders under the applicable loan agreement and will have the right to vote to waive enforcement of breaches of covenants. The Issuer will also have the same rights as other lenders to enforce compliance by the obligor with the terms of the loan agreement, to set-off claims against the obligor and to have recourse to collateral supporting the Portfolio Loan. As a result, the Issuer may not bear the credit risk of the assignor and the insolvency of an assignor of a loan should have little effect on the ability of the Issuer to continue to receive payments of principal, interest or fees from the obligor. The Issuer will, however, assume the credit risk of the obligor. Non-performing Portfolio Loans may require substantial workout negotiations or restructuring that may entail, among other things, a substantial reduction in the interest rate, a substantial write-down of the principal and/or a substantial extension of the amortization and/or maturity date of the Portfolio Loan. Any such reduction, write-down or extension will likely cause a significant decrease in the interest collections on the Portfolio Loans and any such write-down or extension will likely also cause a significant decrease in the principal collections on the Portfolio Loans.

The Portfolio Collateral will also consist of CLO Securities. CLO Securities generally are limited-recourse obligations of the issuer thereof payable solely from the underlying securities of such issuer or proceeds thereof. Consequently, holders of CLO Securities must rely solely on distributions on the underlying securities or proceeds thereof for payment in respect thereof. If distributions on the underlying securities are insufficient to make payments on the CLO Securities, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and following

realization of the underlying assets, the obligations of such issuer to pay such deficiency shall be extinguished. Such underlying securities are expected to consist mainly of loans and other debt instruments, generally rated below investment grade (or of equivalent credit quality). In addition, certain CLO Securities (particularly subordinated CLO Securities) provide that the non payment of interest in cash on such securities will not constitute an event of default in certain circumstances and the holders of such securities will not have available to them any associated default remedies. Interest not paid in cash will generally be capitalized and added to the outstanding principal balance of the related security. Any such deferral will reduce the yield on such CLO Securities. Loan securities may be unsecured and may be subordinated to certain other obligations of the issuer thereof. The lower rating of below investment grade loans reflects a greater possibility that adverse changes in the financial condition of an issuer or in general economic conditions or both may impair the ability of the issuer to make payments of principal or interest. Such Portfolio Collateral may be speculative.

Issuers of CLO Securities may acquire interests in loans and other debt obligations by way of sale, assignment or participation. The purchaser of an assignment typically succeeds to all the rights and obligations of the assigning institution and becomes a lender under the credit agreement with respect to the debt obligation; however, its rights can be more restricted than those of the assigning institution.

CLO Securities are also subject to interest rate risk. The underlying securities of an issuer of CLO Securities may bear interest at a floating rate while the CLO Securities issued by such issuer may bear interest at a fixed rate (or the reverse may be true). As a result, there could be a floating/fixed rate or basis mismatch between such CLO Securities and underlying securities. In addition, there may be a timing mismatch between the CLO Securities and underlying securities that bear interest at a floating rate, as the interest rate on such floating rate underlying securities may adjust more frequently or less frequently, on different dates and based on different indices, than the interest rates on the CLO Securities. As a result of such mismatches, an increase or decrease in the level of the floating rate indices could adversely impact the ability of the issuers thereof to make payments on the CLO Securities.

In order to purchase and hold CLO Securities, the Issuer must satisfy at all times the investor qualifications in the indenture for each such obligation and in applicable securities laws. Generally, such indentures and applicable securities laws require that the Issuer either be a Qualified Institutional Buyer which is also a Qualified Purchaser or that it be a non-U.S. Person (as defined in Regulation S) which is also not a U.S. resident for purposes of the Investment Company Act. There can be no assurance that the Issuer will satisfy these requirements. In the event that the Issuer does not satisfy these requirements at any time, it will not be able to purchase CLO Securities, and it may be required under the underlying indentures for such underlying securities to sell CLO Securities which it previously purchased; any such "forced sale" by the Issuer is likely to be made at a loss.

In addition, a portion of the Portfolio Collateral may consist of Synthetic Securities, the Reference Obligations of which satisfy the definition of Portfolio Collateral (except as to payment terms). Investments in such types of assets through the purchase of Synthetic Securities present risks in addition to those resulting from direct purchases of such Portfolio Collateral. With respect to Synthetic Securities, the Issuer will usually have a contractual relationship only with the counterparty of such Synthetic Security, and not the Reference Obligor of the related Reference Obligation. The Issuer generally will have no right directly to enforce compliance by the Reference Obligor with the terms of the Reference Obligation nor any rights of set-off against the Reference Obligor, nor have any voting or other consensual rights of ownership with respect to the Reference Obligation. The Issuer will not directly benefit from any collateral supporting the Reference Obligation and will not have the benefit of the remedies that would normally be available to a holder of such Reference Obligation. In addition, in the event of the insolvency of the counterparty, the Issuer will be treated as a general creditor of such counterparty, and will not have any claim with respect to the Reference Obligor or the Reference Obligation. Consequently, the Issuer will be subject to the credit risk of the counterparty as well as that of the Reference Obligor. As a result, concentrations of Synthetic Securities entered into with any one counterparty will subject the Notes to an additional degree of risk with respect to defaults by such counterparty as well as by the Reference Obligor. One or more affiliates of Bear Stearns may act as counterparty with respect to all or a portion of the Synthetic Securities. These relationships may create certain conflicts of interest. See "—Potential Conflicts of Interest."

With respect to a Synthetic Security under which the Issuer is the seller of protection and the related Default Swap Counterparty is the buyer of protection, following the occurrence of a Credit Event with respect to a Reference Obligor or Reference Obligation, as applicable, under and as defined in the related Synthetic Security and

subject to the satisfaction of applicable conditions to settlement, the Issuer will be required to pay to such Default Swap Counterparty an amount equal to the relevant physical settlement amount (as defined in the related Synthetic Security) or otherwise satisfy its settlement obligations in respect thereof. The obligation of the Issuer to make payments to a Default Swap Counterparty under the Synthetic Securities creates credit exposure to the related Reference Obligor (as well as to the default risk of the Synthetic Security Counterparties).

All or some of the Reference Obligations may currently be or may fall below investment grade (or the equivalent credit quality) in which case it will be more likely that a Credit Event will occur and that the Issuer, as the seller of protection, will be required to make payment of a physical settlement amount. Any such payments of physical settlement amounts and termination payments by the Issuer under a Synthetic Security will reduce the amount that is available to make payments on the Notes and consequently the Notes could be adversely affected thereby.

The Synthetic Securities may consist of "pay as you go" credit default swaps (a "**PAUG Synthetic Security**"). The obligation of the Issuer to make payments to the Default Swap Counterparties under the Default Swaps creates credit exposure to the related Reference Obligations (as well as to the default risk of the Default Swap Counterparties described above). Following the occurrence of a Credit Event under the related PAUG Synthetic Security, the Issuer will be required to pay to the Default Swap Counterparty an amount equal to the relevant "physical settlement amount" in return for the related Reference Obligation. The payment of any physical settlement amount will be funded by the Issuer by drawing on amounts standing to the credit of the related Default Swap Collateral Account. In addition, each PAUG Synthetic Security will require the Issuer, in its capacity as protection seller, to pay "floating amounts" to the Default Swap Counterparty equal to any principal shortfalls, writedowns and interest shortfalls under the Reference Obligation upon the occurrence thereof (any such payment, a "**Credit Protection Payment**"). Although the Default Swap Counterparty, in its capacity as protection buyer, will be obligated to reimburse all or part of such Credit Protection Payments to the Issuer if the writedowns of the related shortfalls are ultimately paid to holders of the Reference Obligations or if the related Reference Obligations are written up, the amounts available to the Issuer to make payments in respect of the Notes and Preferred Shares will be reduced after payment by the Issuer of the relevant Credit Protection Payment to the Default Swap Counterparty until the Issuer receives such reimbursement, if any, from the Default Swap Counterparty. Under the PAUG Synthetic Securities, a writedown or failure to pay principal in respect of a Reference Obligation will entitle the Default Swap Counterparty, as protection buyer, to elect whether to require the Issuer to pay a physical settlement amount or a Credit Protection Payment under the related PAUG Synthetic Security.

Each PAUG Synthetic Security referencing a CLO Security will have either a "Fixed Cap" or "Variable Cap." Under a "Fixed Cap," upon the occurrence of any interest shortfall with respect to the related Reference Obligation, the fixed rate amount payable by the Default Swap Counterparty to the Issuer will be reduced by an amount equal to such interest shortfall (a "**Fixed Rate Shortfall Amount**"), such reduction amount not to exceed the fixed rate payment. Under a "Variable Cap," upon the occurrence of any interest shortfall with respect to the related Reference Obligation, the Fixed Rate Shortfall Amount payable by the Issuer will be calculated in accordance with the Variable Cap description under the related Synthetic Security and may be greater than the fixed rate payment. To the extent the Fixed Rate Shortfall Amount exceeds the fixed rate payable by the Default Swap Counterparty, the Issuer shall be obligated to pay the difference to the Default Swap Counterparty. In certain other circumstances in which a PAUG Synthetic Security may be terminated early, a termination payment may be due to or from the Issuer. If the Issuer is required to make a termination payment to the Default Swap Counterparty, such termination payment may be substantial and may affect the ability of the Issuer to make payments to the Noteholders and to the Holders of the Preferred Shares. Termination payments payable by the Issuer in respect of any PAUG Synthetic Security will include the market value to the Default Swap Counterparty of such terminated Default Swap, which may expose the Issuer to deterioration in the credit of the Reference Obligations and result in losses to the Issuer, even where no Credit Event has occurred. Even if the Default Swap Counterparty is required to make a termination payment to the Issuer, there is no assurance that the amount of such payment would be sufficient such that payments to the Holders of the Notes and the Preferred Shares would not be affected.

It is expected that the Issuer will acquire all of the Initial Portfolio Collateral to be acquired on the Closing Date from various sources, including Bear Stearns, at prices agreed upon by the Issuer with the advice of the Servicer. The price to be paid by the Issuer for such securities may be higher or lower, based on market conditions at the time of purchase by Bear Stearns or such other sources than the prices the Issuer would have paid had such

securities all been purchased by such persons on the date such securities were sold to the Issuer. After the Closing Date, the Issuer with the advice of the Servicer may acquire from or through various sources, including Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., Portfolio Collateral at current market prices which will be negotiated by or on behalf of the Issuer at such time. The Indenture does not restrict the ability of the Issuer to invest in Portfolio Collateral on the basis of its market value.

As described herein, the Indenture provides that the Servicer and the Issuer will seek to invest the Deposit in Original Portfolio Collateral having an Aggregate Principal Amount at least equal to the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount no later than the Effective Date, and that during certain specified periods thereafter significant portions of the collections received in respect of the Portfolio Collateral will be used to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral to secure the Notes, which securities in any such case must satisfy the criteria specified in the Indenture. In addition, Collateral Disposition Proceeds may be used to purchase Substitute Portfolio Collateral, subject to satisfaction of the specified criteria. The ability of the Issuer to obtain such Original Portfolio Collateral, Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral (and the rates and other terms thereof) and the terms on which such securities can be obtained, as well as the timing and amount of draws under the Delayed Drawdown Loans and the Revolving Loans and the rates and other terms obtained in connection with the funds held in Eligible Investments (including the Loan Funding Account), may affect the timing and amount of payments received by the Noteholders.

The Issuer will purchase and sell Portfolio Collateral from or to the Servicer and its affiliates, including assets managed by the Servicer and its affiliates, only to the extent the Servicer determines that such purchases and sales are consistent with the collateral guidelines and objectives of the Issuer, the restrictions contained in the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement and applicable law. In any event, all purchases or sales of Portfolio Collateral from such entities will be on an arms'-length basis for a price at least equal to the Market Value thereof.

On each Payment Date, subject to the satisfaction of the Overcollateralization Tests and, after the second Payment Date, the Interest Coverage Test and application of the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement, and in accordance with the priority of distribution provisions described herein, certain collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be used to make certain subordinate payments free and clear of the lien of the Indenture, including payment of certain fees to the Servicer, payment of certain administrative expenses of the Issuer and payment to fund distributions to Holders of the Preferred Shares. To the extent that any such distributions are made rather than retained as additional collateral for the Notes, the amounts so distributed will not be available to support payments of principal and interest subsequently payable in respect of the Notes.

4. Default Rates of Commercial Loans and CLO Securities. There are varying sources of statistical default rate data for commercial loans and collateralized loan obligations and numerous methods for measuring default rates. The historical performance of the loan market or collateralized loan market is not necessarily indicative of its future performance. Should increases in default rates occur with respect to the type of collateral comprising the Portfolio Collateral, the actual default rates of the Portfolio Collateral may exceed the hypothetical default rates used herein. See "Maturity and Prepayment Considerations." PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS OF THE NOTES SHOULD CONSIDER AND DETERMINE FOR THEMSELVES THE LIKELY LEVEL OF DEFAULTS AND THE LEVEL OF RECOVERIES ON THE PORTFOLIO COLLATERAL DURING THE TERM OF THE NOTES.

5. Potential Illiquidity of Portfolio Collateral. There is no established, liquid secondary market for many of the CLO Securities and Portfolio Loans which the Issuer may purchase and the lack of such an established, liquid secondary market may have an adverse effect on the market value of such CLO Securities and Portfolio Loans and the Issuer's ability to dispose of them. Such illiquidity may adversely affect the price and timing of the Issuer's liquidation of CLO Securities and Portfolio Loans, including the liquidation of CLO Securities and Portfolio Loans following the occurrence of an Event of Default under the Indenture or in connection with a redemption of the Notes.

Further, the items of Portfolio Collateral will be subject to certain transfer restrictions that may further restrict liquidity. Therefore, no assurance can be given that if the Issuer were to dispose of a particular item of Portfolio Collateral held by the Issuer, it could dispose of such Portfolio Collateral at the previously prevailing

market price. A decrease in the market value of Portfolio Collateral would adversely affect the sale proceeds that could be obtained upon the sale of Portfolio Collateral and could ultimately affect the ability of the Co-Issuers to effect an Optional Redemption or Tax Event Redemption or pay the principal of the Notes, upon a liquidation of the Portfolio Collateral following the occurrence of an Event of Default.

The market value of the Portfolio Collateral will generally fluctuate with, among other things, changes in prevailing interest rates, general economic and political conditions, the condition of certain financial markets, developments or trends in any particular industry and the financial condition of the issuers of the Portfolio Collateral.

Any concentration of Portfolio Collateral in any one issuer, servicer or other characteristic may expose the Issuer to greater risk than would be the case if the Portfolio Collateral were more diversified, which would affect the Issuer's ability to make payments on the Notes.

The description of the Portfolio Collateral herein and the risks related thereto is general in nature and prospective purchasers should review the descriptions and risk factors relating to each item of Portfolio Collateral set forth in the underlying disclosure documents, transaction documents and servicing reports. PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS SHOULD ASSESS FOR THEMSELVES THE RISKS INHERENT IN THE PORTFOLIO COLLATERAL.

6. The Issuer and Investors Will Have Limited Control of the Administration and Amendment of Portfolio Loans. The Servicer will cause the Issuer to exercise or enforce, or refrain from exercising or enforcing, any or all of its rights in connection with the Portfolio Loans or any related documents or will refuse amendments or waivers of the terms of any Portfolio Loan and related documents in accordance with its customary business practices as if the Servicer were administering the Portfolio Loans for its own account. The authority of the Servicer to cause the Issuer to change the terms of the Portfolio Loans will generally not be restricted by the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement. As a result, the Issuer will be relying on the Servicer's customary business practices with respect to the servicing of the Portfolio Loans. The Holders of the Notes and the Issuer will not have any right to compel the Issuer or the Servicer to take or refrain from taking any actions other than in accordance with its customary business practices.

The terms and conditions of the loan agreements and related assignments may be amended, modified or waived only by the agreement of the lenders. Generally, any such agreement must include a majority or a super majority (measured by outstanding loans or commitments) or, in certain circumstances, a unanimous vote of the lenders. Consequently, the terms and conditions of the payment obligation arising from loan agreements could be modified, amended or waived in a manner contrary to the preferences of the Servicer or the Issuer, as the case may be, if a sufficient number of the other lenders concurred with such modification, amendment or waiver. There can be no assurance that any obligations arising from a loan agreement will maintain the terms and conditions to which the Issuer originally agreed.

The exercise of remedies may also be subject to the vote of a specified percentage of the lenders thereunder. The Servicer will have the authority to cause the Issuer to consent to certain amendments, waivers or modifications to the Portfolio Loans requested by obligors or the lead agents for loan syndication agreements. The Servicer may, in accordance with its servicing standards and subject to the transaction documents, cause the Issuer to extend or defer the maturity, adjust the outstanding balance of any Portfolio Loan, reduce or forgive interest or fees, release material collateral or guarantees, or otherwise amend, modify or waive the terms of any related loan agreement, including the payment terms thereunder. The Servicer will make such determinations in accordance with its servicing standards. Any amendment, waiver or modification of a Portfolio Loan could postpone the expected maturity of the Notes and/or reduce the likelihood of timely and complete payment of interest or principal under the Notes, as well as the timing and amount of payments to Holders of the Preferred Shares.

7. Sale of Portfolio Collateral by Servicer Under Certain Circumstances. Under the Indenture, the Servicer may only direct the disposition of Portfolio Collateral under certain limited circumstances. More specifically, the Servicer may direct the disposition of Portfolio Collateral that meets the definition of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, Equity Portfolio Collateral, and, subject to satisfaction of the conditions set forth herein, Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral or Collateral other than Credit Risk Portfolio

Collateral. Furthermore, the Servicer's ability to dispose of Portfolio Collateral may be subject to greater restrictions if any Class of Notes is downgraded. See "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral." **Notwithstanding such restrictions and satisfaction of the conditions set forth in the Indenture, sales and purchases by the Servicer of Portfolio Collateral could result in losses by the Issuer, which losses may result in the reduction or withdrawal of the rating of any or all of the Notes by any of the Rating Agencies.** On the other hand, circumstances may exist under which the Servicer may believe that it is in the best interests of the Issuer to dispose of Portfolio Collateral, but the Issuer will not be permitted to do so under the restrictions and conditions of the Indenture.

A portion of the Portfolio Collateral may have fixed interest rates that remain constant until a specified date or their maturity, and a portion of the Portfolio Collateral will bear interest based on a fixed margin over a reference rate, which margin will generally remain constant until the maturity of such Portfolio Collateral. Accordingly, the market value of the fixed rate Portfolio Collateral will generally decrease as market rates of interest increase. The market value of such Portfolio Collateral will also generally fluctuate with, among other things, general economic conditions, world political events, developments or trends in any particular industry, the conditions of financial markets and the financial condition, results of operations and prospects of the Portfolio Collateral issuers. The Issuer will be relying on Rule 3a-7 and/or Section 3(c)(7) of the U.S. Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "**Investment Company Act**") for its exemption from the Investment Company Act. The Rule 3a-7 exemption restricts the Issuer from disposing of any item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, Equity Portfolio Collateral, Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral or Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral or acquiring any item of Portfolio Collateral for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. These restrictions mean that the Issuer may be required to hold an item of Portfolio Collateral or precluded from acquiring an item of Portfolio Collateral when it would have sold such item of Portfolio Collateral or acquired such item of Portfolio Collateral, as applicable, had it based such determination on expected market value changes. As a result, greater losses on the Portfolio Collateral may be sustained and there may be insufficient proceeds on any Payment Date to pay in full any expenses of the Issuer or any amounts payable to the Trustee or the Administrator (all of which amounts are payable prior to payments in respect of the Notes) and the principal of and interest on the Notes. See "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral."

8. Sale of Collateral Upon Default of the Notes. The market value of the Portfolio Collateral will generally fluctuate with, among other things, general economic conditions, world political events, developments or trends in any particular industry, the conditions of financial markets and the financial condition of the issuers of the Portfolio Collateral. In addition, CLO Securities included in the Portfolio Collateral, which will comprise no more than 35% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate, may have interest rates that remain constant until their maturity. Accordingly, their market value will generally fluctuate with changes in market rates of interest. Therefore, if an Event of Default occurs with respect to the Notes, there can be no assurance that the proceeds of any sale by the Trustee of the Portfolio Collateral and the other collateral securing the Notes will be sufficient to pay in full the principal of and interest on the Notes and any amounts payable to the Trustee. However, certain conditions set forth in the Indenture must be satisfied before the Trustee is permitted to sell the Portfolio Collateral and other collateral pledged as security for the Notes following an Event of Default. See "Legal Structure—The Indenture—Events of Default."

9. Restrictions on Transfer. The Notes have not been registered under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "**Securities Act**"), or under any U.S. state securities or "Blue Sky" laws or the securities laws of any other jurisdiction and are being issued and sold in reliance upon exemptions from registration provided by such laws. There is no market for the Notes being offered hereby and, as a result, a purchaser must be prepared to hold the Notes for an indefinite period of time or until the maturity thereof. No Note may be sold or transferred unless such sale or transfer (i) is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act (for example, in reliance on exemptions provided by Rule 144A or Regulation S under the Securities Act) and applicable state securities laws, (ii) will not constitute or result in a non-exempt "prohibited transaction" under ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code and (iii) does not cause either of the Co-Issuers to become subject to the registration requirements of the Investment Company Act. In addition, the Class B-1L Notes may not be sold or transferred to any Plan or to any person acting on behalf of or with "plan assets" of any such Plan, including an insurance company general account, unless the purchaser or transferee is eligible for the exemptive relief available under any of Section 408(b)(17) of ERISA or PTCE 96-23, 95-60, 91-38, 90-1 or 84-14. The Class B-2L Notes may not be sold or transferred to any Plan, or to any person acting on behalf of or with "plan assets" of any such Plan, or to any other "benefit plan investor" (as

defined in Section 3(42) of ERISA) (a "Benefit Plan Investor"), including an insurance company general account, except in accordance with the restrictions set forth herein. Prospective transferees of the Notes will be required pursuant to the terms of the Indenture to deliver a certificate to the Trustee and the Co-Issuers relating to compliance with the Securities Act, applicable state securities laws, ERISA, Section 4975 of the Code and the Investment Company Act. The Co-Issuers will not provide registration rights to any purchaser of the Notes and neither of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, nor any other person may register the Notes under the Securities Act or any state securities or "Blue Sky" laws nor may the Co-Issuers or the Trustee take such action with respect to the Portfolio Collateral. See "Description of the Notes—General." The Notes will be owned by a relatively small number of investors and it is highly unlikely that an active secondary market for the Notes will develop. Purchasers of the Notes may find it difficult or uneconomic to liquidate their investment at any particular time.

The Issuer has not registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exception provided under Rule 3a-7 and/or Section 3(c)(7) thereof. While counsel will opine in connection with the sale of the Notes to the Initial Purchasers that neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer is on the Closing Date required to register as an investment company (assuming the Notes are sold to the Initial Purchasers in accordance with the terms of the Purchase Agreement (as defined herein) and that the Servicer services the Portfolio Collateral and other assets of the Issuer in accordance with the terms of the Servicing Agreement (as defined herein)), no opinion or no-action position has been requested of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). If the SEC or a court of competent jurisdiction were to find that the Issuer or the Co-Issuer is required to register as an investment company, possible consequences include, but are not limited to, the SEC applying to enjoin the violation, investors suing the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, to recover any damages caused by the violation and any contract to which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, is a party made in violation or whose performance involves a violation of the Investment Company Act being unenforceable unless enforcing such contract would produce a more equitable result. Should the Issuer or the Co-Issuer be subjected to any or all of the foregoing or to any other consequences, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, would be materially and adversely affected.

Each transferee of a Note (except with respect to a transfer pursuant to Regulation S under the Securities Act) will be deemed to make certain representations at the time of transfer relating to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act. See "Delivery of the Notes; Transfer Restrictions; Settlement."

The Indenture will provide that if, notwithstanding the restrictions on transfer contained therein, the Issuer determines any beneficial owner or Holder of a Note (excluding a Note (other than a Class B-2L Note) transferred in reliance on Regulation S of the Securities Act but including a Class B-2L Note transferred in reliance on Regulation S of the Securities Act) is not a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser, the Issuer will require that such beneficial owner or Holder sell all of its right, title and interest in such Note to a person who is so qualified, with such sale to be effected within 30 days after notice of such sale requirement is given. If such sale is not effected within such 30 days, upon written direction from the Issuer, the Trustee (or an investment banker selected by the Trustee and approved by the Issuer) will be authorized to conduct a commercially reasonable sale of such Note to a person who does so qualify and pending transfer, no further payments will be made in respect of such Note or any beneficial interest therein.

10. Final Maturity Date; Average Life and Prepayment Considerations; Redemption. The Final Maturity Date of each Class of Notes will be the Payment Date occurring in August 2024; *provided* that, the Final Maturity Dates of the Notes are extendable upon a Maturity Extension (if any) as described herein, in which case the Final Maturity Date of such Notes will be extended to the applicable Extended Final Maturity Date. See "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date." The average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years until the Final Maturity Date, and the average lives may vary due to various factors affecting the early retirement of the Portfolio Collateral and the ability of the Servicer to invest collections in Additional Portfolio Collateral or reinvest disposition proceeds in Substitute Portfolio Collateral. Retirement of an item of Portfolio Collateral prior to that item of Portfolio Collateral's respective final maturity will depend, among other things, on the financial condition of the issuer and the characteristics of the underlying item of Portfolio Collateral, including the existence and frequency of exercise of any prepayment or redemption features, the prevailing level of interest rates, the prepayment or redemption price and the actual default rate and the actual amount collected on any Defaulted Portfolio Collateral. See "Maturity and Prepayment Considerations" and "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral." The ability of the Issuer to reinvest proceeds in securities with comparable interest rates, with final maturity dates on or before the Calculation Date prior to the Final Maturity Date and otherwise satisfying the criteria specified herein may affect the

timing and amount of payments received by the Noteholders and the yield to maturity of the Notes. If the Issuer is unable to reinvest more than U.S.\$2,000,000 of collections of principal in Additional Portfolio Collateral selected by the Servicer meeting the criteria described herein for ninety days after receipt, the Servicer may direct the Trustee to apply such amounts to pay principal of the Notes in a Special Redemption. Any such application will affect the timing and amount of payments received by the Noteholders and the average life and yield to maturity of the Notes.

As described herein, the Notes are subject to a Tax Event Redemption on any Payment Date, at the option of the Issuer acting at the direction of at least a Majority of the Preferred Shares (or a Majority of the Controlling Class if the Aggregate Principal Balance of Portfolio Collateral is less than 100% of the Class A-1L Notes), if as a result of a change in tax law, rule or regulation or the interpretation thereof, the payments to be received on the Portfolio Collateral are reduced as a result thereof as described herein.

As described herein, the Notes will be subject to an Optional Redemption, at the option of the Issuer acting at the direction of the Holders of the requisite amount of the Preferred Shares eligible to vote for any such redemption (see "Description of the Notes—Optional Redemption"), on any Optional Redemption Date, at a price equal to the Optional Redemption Price. In addition, in the case of an Optional Redemption by Refinancing, a Majority of the Preferred Shares may cause an Optional Redemption by Refinancing with respect to any Class of Notes subject to the requirements set forth herein. Among other reasons, the holders of the Preferred Shares may elect to direct the Issuer to effect an Optional Redemption by Refinancing if interest rates on investments similar to one or more Classes of Notes fall below current levels or if such holders otherwise expect the Issuer to be able to achieve improved pricing. If exercised, such redemption would result in the Notes being redeemed at the Optional Redemption Price at a time when they may be trading in the market at a premium and when other investments bearing the same rate of interest relative to the level of risk assumed may be difficult or expensive to acquire. In addition, if the holders of the Preferred Shares cause one or more Classes of the Notes to be redeemed pursuant to an Optional Redemption by Refinancing in which additional notes are issued or borrowings under secured loans are made, the Preferred Shares will be subordinate to payments on such additional notes or secured loans. The additional notes issued, or secured loans obtained, as the case may be, in connection with an Optional Redemption by Refinancing would have such terms and priorities as are negotiated at the time and that are set forth in a supplemental indenture.

As described herein, at any time that the Notes are Outstanding, if any Overcollateralization Test (other than the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test) or, after the second Payment Date, the Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied on any Payment Date, amounts that are junior in right of payment to such test as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", will be applied to the redemption of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes (or, in the case of the Class B-1L Notes, first to pay accrued and unpaid interest from prior Payment Dates, then to pay principal) in an O/C Redemption on each such Payment Date, in the order described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions," to the extent necessary to satisfy both the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test. Further, if following the Effective Date, the Issuer is not able to receive a Rating Confirmation, amounts that are junior in right of payment to such redemption as described herein, will be applied to the redemption of the Notes until the earlier of the Ratings Confirmation being received or each such Class being paid in full, in the order and according to the priorities described herein.

If on any Payment Date the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, 50% of available Interest Proceeds will be applied to pay principal on the Class B-2L Notes and 50% (or, after the Class B-2L Notes are paid in full, 100%) of available Interest Proceeds will be applied sequentially to pay principal on the Notes according to the priorities described herein until the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test is satisfied. In addition, Principal Proceeds will be applied sequentially to pay principal on the Notes, to the extent such amounts have not been paid from Interest Proceeds, as described further herein under "Description of the Notes—Priority of Payments."

The Class B-2L Notes may be retired early as a result of principal payments made to the Class B-2L Notes in connection with the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement or upon the failure of the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test.

As described herein, if the Issuer or the Servicer is unable to use (or commit) the full amount of the Deposit to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral having an Aggregate Principal Amount (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or



dispositions made with respect to the Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date) at least equal to the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount and meeting the specified requirements no later than the Effective Date, an amount (not in excess of the amount of the Deposit not so used or committed for use) equal to the difference between the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount and the par amount of Portfolio Collateral actually acquired (or committed to be acquired) (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to the Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date) shall be used to make principal payments of the Class A-1LA Notes on the Initial Deposit Redemption Date except, if the amount of the Deposit not so used (or committed to be used) does not exceed U.S.\$2,000,000 in the aggregate, such amount will be transferred to the Collection Account on the Effective Date.

11. Maturity Extension Risk. Under the Indenture, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date, to extend the Revolving Period to the applicable Extended Revolving Period End Date up to a maximum of four times (so that the Notes can only be extended to 2040) if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously affected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date, (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and (iii) the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Revolving Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. Under the Indenture, if the Revolving Period is so extended, the Final Maturity Date of the Notes will be equally extended and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be extended without the requirement for any approval or consent of any Holders of Notes or Preferred Shares; *provided* that if the Extension Conditions are not satisfied because the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes have failed to deliver an Extension Sale Notice or have failed to provide their written consent to the related Maturity Extension, then the Servicer may extend the Extension Sale Notice Period by seven Business Days if the Servicer shall cause the Extension Conditions set forth in clause (iv) of such definition to be satisfied as of such later date. Holders of the Notes will not be able to prevent or prohibit the extension of the Final Maturity Date so long as the Extension Conditions are satisfied, which include the ability of Holders of such Notes to sell their Notes at the designated purchase price to a designated purchaser under the Indenture. In the case of the Preferred Shares and any Maturity Extension, Holders of Preferred Shares that have received an Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% as of the Extension Effective Date will not receive any payment in exchange for their Preferred Shares sold in connection with a Maturity Extension. See "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date." As a consequence, if the Servicer elects to extend the Revolving Period and the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Holders of the Notes and the Preferred Shares may either be required to hold their Notes and Preferred Shares for a significantly longer period of time or be forced to sell their Notes and Preferred Shares for the applicable purchase price under the Indenture, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Notes and Preferred Shares.

12. Amendment Buy-Out Risk. Any Non-Consenting Holder of Notes or Preferred Shares with respect to an amendment of the Indenture (which includes Holders that fail to respond to a consent solicitation within the applicable period) may be forced to sell their applicable Notes or Preferred Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Notes or Preferred Shares; *provided* that during the Non-Call Period, "Non-Consenting Holder" shall exclude any Holder of Class A-1LA Notes (unless such Holder has consented in writing to be designated as a Non-Consenting Holder) and the Amendment Buy-Out Option shall not be applicable to such Class A-1LA Notes. In the case of the Preferred Shares, the Indenture provides that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price will be zero for Non-Consenting Holders that have received an Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% as of the Amendment Buy-Out Date. See "Legal Structure—The Indenture—Amendment Buy-Out." A Holder's ability to vote against an amendment or affect or influence the amendment process with respect to the Indenture will be limited by the possibility of an Amendment Buy-Out. The Amendment Buy-Out will also increase the ability of the Servicer to affect or influence the amendment process.

13. Inaction by Certain Noteholders may be Deemed Consent. With respect to any action that requires consent from 100% of the Noteholders, if any Noteholder has notified the Trustee in writing that pursuant to such Noteholder's organizational documents or other documents governing such Noteholder's actions, the Noteholder is not permitted to take any affirmative action approving, rejecting or otherwise acting upon any Issuer request under the Indenture, the failure by such Noteholder to consent to or reject any such requested action will be deemed a consent by such Noteholder to the requested action. See "Legal Structure—The Indenture—Acts of Noteholders"

herein. In addition, with respect to an Amendment Buy-Out Option, any Noteholder (other than the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes) or Holders of the Preferred Shares who fails to respond to a consent solicitation with respect to a supplemental indenture, shall be deemed to have consented to any such supplemental indenture. See "Legal Structure—The Indenture—Amendment Buy-Out" herein.

14. Interest Rate Risk. The Notes generally will bear interest at a rate based on three-month LIBOR, as described herein. While most of the Portfolio Collateral will bear interest at floating rates, up to 5% of the Portfolio Collateral may bear interest at fixed rates. In order to reduce the effect of such mismatches, on the Closing Date the Issuer will enter into the Cap Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, mismatches may still occur. In addition, no payments are required to be made to the Issuer under the Cap Agreement until the Payment Date occurring in February 2008 or after the Payment Date occurring in August 2009. Further, no payments are required to be made on a Payment Date by the Cap Provider unless LIBOR exceeds the Cap Strike Rate set forth in the Cap Agreement. Further, the obligors under the Portfolio Loans which are Floating Rate Collateral may choose different interest indices than the London interbank rate for three-month U.S. dollar deposits or the interest rates on the Floating Rate Collateral may be determined or adjustments may take effect on different dates than is the case for the Notes. Additionally, interest on the Notes is payable quarterly on each Payment Date while a portion of the Portfolio Collateral may provide for semiannual payments of interest. As a result, the Cap Agreement and the Floating Rate Collateral may be insufficient to compensate for changes in LIBOR. Any such mismatches may adversely affect the Issuer's ability to pay amounts due in respect of the Notes. To the extent described herein, the Issuer may enter into Cashflow Swap Agreements to reduce the effect of timing mismatches. However, there can be no assurance that the Issuer will enter into such Cashflow Swap Agreements or that, if entered into, such Cashflow Swap Agreements will significantly reduce the effect of such timing mismatches.

15. The Issuer. The Issuer is a recently formed entity and has no significant prior operating history. The Issuer has no significant assets other than the Trust Estate. The Issuer will not engage in any business activity other than the co-issuance of the Notes (other than the Class B-2L Notes) and the issuance of the Class B-2L Notes, the Combination Notes, the Preferred Shares and the ordinary shares as described herein, entering into the Hedge Agreements, the acquisition and disposition of Portfolio Collateral as described herein, certain activities conducted in connection with the payment of amounts in respect of the Notes, the Combination Notes and the Preferred Shares and the management of the collateral and other activities incidental to the foregoing. Income derived from the collateral will be the Issuer's principal source of cash. The Issuer is a limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands. Because the Issuer is a Cayman Islands company and some of its directors reside in the Cayman Islands, it may not be possible for investors to effect service of process within the United States on such persons or to enforce against them or against the Issuer in United States courts judgments predicated upon the civil liability provisions of the United States securities laws. None of the directors, security holders, members, officers or incorporators of the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, any of their respective affiliates or any other person or entity (other than the Issuer) will be obligated to make payments on the Notes, the Combination Notes or the Preferred Shares.

16. The Co-Issuer. The Co-Issuer is a newly-formed entity and has no prior operating history. The Co-Issuer has no substantial assets. The Co-Issuer will not engage in any business activity other than the co-issuance of the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes and the Class B-2L Notes.

17. Fraudulent Conveyance Considerations. Various federal and state laws enacted for the protection of creditors may apply to the Portfolio Collateral by virtue of the Issuer's role as a creditor with respect to such Portfolio Collateral. If a court in a lawsuit brought by an unpaid creditor or representative of creditors of an obligor under an item of Portfolio Collateral, such as a trustee in bankruptcy or the obligor as debtor-in-possession, were to find that the obligor did not receive fair consideration or reasonably equivalent value for incurring indebtedness evidenced by an item of Portfolio Collateral and the grant of any security interest or other lien securing such Portfolio Collateral, and, after giving effect to the incurring of such indebtedness, the obligor (i) was insolvent, (ii) was engaged in a business for which the assets remaining in such obligor constituted unreasonably small capital, or (iii) intended to incur, or believed that it would incur, debts beyond its ability to pay such debts as they mature, such court could invalidate, in whole or in part, such indebtedness and such security interest or other lien as fraudulent conveyances, subordinate such indebtedness to existing or future creditors of the obligor or recover amounts previously paid by the obligor (including to the Issuer) in satisfaction of such indebtedness or proceeds of such security interest or other lien previously applied in satisfaction of such indebtedness. In addition, in the event of the

insolvency of an issuer or other obligor of an item of Portfolio Collateral, payments made on the Portfolio Collateral could be subject to avoidance as a "preference" if made within a certain period of time (which may be as long as one year) before insolvency depending on a number of factors, including the amount of equity of the obligor owned by the Issuer and its affiliates and any contractual arrangements between the obligor, on the one hand, and the Issuer and its affiliates, on the other hand. The measure of insolvency for purposes of the foregoing will vary depending on the law of the jurisdiction which is being applied. Generally, however, an obligor would be considered insolvent at a particular time if the sum of its debts was greater than all of its property at a fair valuation or if the present fair saleable value of its assets was then less than the amount that would be required to pay its probable liabilities on its existing debts as they became absolute and matured. There can be no assurance as to what standard a court would apply in order to determine whether an obligor was insolvent after giving effect to the incurrence of the loan or that, regardless of the method of evaluation, a court would not determine that the obligor was "insolvent" upon giving effect to such incurrence.

In general, if payments on Portfolio Collateral are avoidable, whether as fraudulent conveyances or preferences, such payments can be recaptured either from the initial recipient (such as the Issuer) or from subsequent transferees of such payments, including Holders of the Notes.

18. Lender Liability Considerations. In recent years, a number of judicial decisions in the United States have upheld the right of borrowers to sue lending institutions on the basis of various evolving legal theories, including equitable subordination (collectively termed "**lender liability**"). Generally, lender liability is founded upon the premise that the institutional lender has violated a duty (whether implied or contractual) of good faith and fair dealing owed to the borrower or has assumed a degree of control over the borrower resulting in the creation of a fiduciary duty owed to the borrower. Although the Issuer is not engaged in the business of lending, the Issuer, as a creditor, may be subject to allegations of lender liability. Furthermore, the Issuer and the Servicer may be unable to control the conduct of the lenders under a loan syndication agreement requiring less than a unanimous vote, yet the Issuer may be subject to lender liability for such conduct.

19. Environmental Risks. Real property pledged as security with respect to an item of Portfolio Collateral may be subject to potential environmental risks. Of particular concern may be those mortgaged properties which are, or have been, the site of manufacturing, industrial or disposal activity. Such environmental risks may give rise to a diminution in the value of property securing any item of Portfolio Collateral or liability for cleanup costs or other remedial actions, which liability could exceed the value of such property or the principal balance of the related item of Portfolio Collateral. In certain circumstances, a lender may choose not to foreclose on contaminated property rather than risk incurring liability for remedial actions.

20. Potential Conflicts of Interest. It is expected that Highland Financial Partners, L.P. or an affiliate or subsidiary thereof ("**HFP**") will purchase approximately 13,450,000 of the Class I Preferred Shares and 44,000,000 of the Class II Preferred Shares of the Issuer on the Closing Date, representing approximately 67% of the total Preferred Shares outstanding (the "**Original HFP Share Amount**"). In addition, the Servicer, entities affiliated with the Servicer or clients of the Servicer (collectively, the "**Servicer Entities**") may also acquire Notes or Preferred Shares upon the occurrence of an Amendment Buy-Out, a Maturity Extension or an Optional Redemption by Refinancing as described herein. The interests of the Holders of the Preferred Shares that are Servicer Entities, or any other Notes owned by the Servicer Entities, may be different from or adverse to the interests of the Holders of the other Notes and Preferred Shares. As the result of the ownership of Preferred Shares and Notes by the Servicer Entities, and the ability to vote the Preferred Shares and the Notes owned by the Servicer Entities up to a maximum amount equal to the Original HFP Share Amount, the affirmative vote or approval of the Preferred Shares owned by such Servicer Entities, may be required in order to cause an Optional Redemption or a Tax Event Redemption of the Notes. Preferred Shares owned or controlled by the Servicer Entities above the Original HFP Share Amount will be excluded from voting on certain matters including any Optional Redemption.

In addition to the Base Servicing Fee, the Servicer is entitled to receive an Additional Servicing Fee and an Supplemental Servicing Fee (if any) after all other distributions (other than certain distributions with respect to the Preferred Shares and certain administrative expenses) are made, which is dependent in large part on the performance of the securities purchased by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer. This could create an inducement for the Servicer to service the Issuer's assets in such a manner as to seek to maximize the return on such securities. This could result in increasing the volatility of the Portfolio Collateral and could contribute to a decline in the aggregate value of the

Portfolio Collateral. However, the Servicer's servicing of the Issuer's assets is restricted by the requirement that it comply with the restrictions described in "Security for the Notes" and by its internal policies with respect to the management of securities accounts.

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise from the overall activity of the Servicer, its affiliates and their respective clients. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

Certain Holders of the Notes and certain Holders of the Preferred Shares may be clients of the Servicer or one of its affiliates. Certain clients of the Servicer and its affiliates may invest in securities that would be appropriate for inclusion in the Trust Estate. Further, the Servicer currently serves and may in the future serve as servicer, collateral manager or the equivalent for other issuers of collateralized debt obligations, including collateralized debt obligation vehicles having objectives similar to those of the Issuer. The Servicer and its affiliates may make asset management decisions for its clients and affiliates that may be different from those made by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer. The Servicer and its affiliates may also have ongoing relationships with, and may own or invest assets of their clients in, equity securities issued by issuers of Portfolio Collateral. In addition, affiliates and clients of the Servicer may invest in securities that are senior to, or have interests different from or adverse to, the securities included in the Trust Estate. An affiliate of the Servicer may earn fees with respect to financial advisory services rendered to companies in connection with workouts or the subsequent restructuring of such companies. Such fees and advice may continue for a period of time after any such workout or restructure. The Issuer may own an interest in the securities of such companies.

The Amendment Buy-Out will increase the ability of the Servicer to affect or influence the amendment process under the Indenture and will limit any Holder's ability to vote against an amendment or affect or influence the amendment process with respect to the Indenture.

If the Servicer elects to extend the Revolving Period and the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Holders of the Notes and the Preferred Shares may either be required to hold their Notes and Preferred Shares for a significantly longer period of time or be forced to sell their Notes and Preferred Shares for the applicable purchase price under the Indenture, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Notes and Preferred Shares.

In addition, at any time after the Non-Call Period, the Holders of a Majority of the Preferred Shares may consent to or request an Optional Redemption by Refinancing. As a result of the foregoing, and so long as they hold a controlling block of Preferred Shares, the vote of HFP and/or its applicable subsidiaries will be required for such Optional Redemption. If the Holders of the Class I Preferred Shares seek an Optional Redemption by Refinancing, the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares could prevent their ability to achieve this.

In addition to acting as Servicer to the Issuer, Highland Capital Management L.P. will act as manager for HFP, which will, on the Closing Date, purchase all of the Class II Preferred Shares and 32% of the Class I Preferred Shares. Because Highland Capital Management will receive both a servicing fee from the Issuer for servicing the Portfolio Collateral and a management fee from HFP for managing HFP's assets, which will include the Preferred Shares (and therefore a residual interest in the Portfolio Collateral), Highland Capital Management has agreed, in connection with the capital raising of HFP, to waive a portion of its servicing fees from the Issuer until February 3, 2008 so as not to reduce the return on investment realized by HFP in respect of the Class II Preferred Shares. Thereafter Highland Capital Management may at its discretion continue to waive such portion of its servicing fees or may elect to receive such servicing fees in their entirety. Accordingly, during the period from the Closing Date until February 3, 2008, a portion (representing the percentage ownership of the Preferred Shares represented by the Class II Preferred Shares, which will initially be owned entirely by HFP) of the amounts that would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as a servicing fee will instead be payable on the Class II Preferred Shares as the Class II Preferred Share Dividends in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Thereafter, the Servicer may elect to continue to waive such same portion of the amounts that would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as a servicing fee, or any lesser portion of such amounts, and have such amounts be paid instead as the Class II Preferred Share Dividends. The Class II Preferred Shares and the Class I Preferred Shares will vote together as a single class and the existence of the Class II Preferred Share Dividends may cause HFP to have interests different from the holders of the Class I Preferred Shares.

The Trustee and its affiliates may invest in the loans or securities that would be appropriate for inclusion in the Trust Estate and the Trustee has no duty, in making those investments, to act in a way that is favorable to the Issuer or the Holders of the Notes or the Preferred Shares. The Trustee's affiliates may currently, or in the future, serve as collateral manager or the equivalent for other issuers of collateralized loan obligations.

It is expected that the Issuer will acquire all of the Initial Portfolio Collateral to be acquired on the Closing Date from Bear Stearns or other sources in each case, at prices agreed upon by the Issuer with the advice of the Servicer. Certain of such securities will be securities of issuers for which Bear Stearns has acted as underwriter, agent, placement agent or principal or of which Bear Stearns is an equity owner or which the Servicer or an affiliate of the Servicer has acted as manager, principal or counterparty. The price to be paid by the Issuer for such securities may be higher or lower, based on market conditions at the time of purchase from such sellers, than the prices the Issuer would have paid had such securities all been purchased from such sellers on the date such securities were sold to the Issuer. After the Closing Date, the Issuer with the advice of the Servicer may acquire from or through Bear Stearns or other sources Portfolio Collateral at current market prices which will be negotiated by or on behalf of the Issuer at such time. In addition, from time to time the Servicer may sell Portfolio Collateral through Bear Stearns. Bear Stearns will also receive compensation for the sale of the Notes and the Preferred Shares. See "Use of Proceeds" and "Plan of Distribution" herein. Bear Stearns has also entered into certain indemnification agreements with the Servicer relating to, among other things, the acquisition of the Initial Portfolio Collateral. An affiliate of Bear Stearns may be a Synthetic Security Counterparty and/or a Default Swap Counterparty. In addition, it is expected that an affiliate of Bear Stearns will purchase certain of the Notes from Cantor Fitzgerald & Co. on the Closing Date.

21. Servicer Affiliates Reliance on Rule 3a-7; Potential Indenture Amendments. HFP, an affiliate of the Servicer will, on the Closing Date, purchase all of the Class II Preferred Shares and 32% of the Class I Preferred Shares. The Servicer will act as the manager for HFP. HFP and Highland Financial Trust, the owner of substantially all of the limited partnership interests of HFP, are relying on an exception from the definition of investment company and the requirement to register under the Investment Company Act that in turn depends, in part, upon the Issuer not being an investment company required to register under the Investment Company Act by reason of Rule 3a-7 thereunder. It is expected that, in connection with certain capital raising activities of Highland Financial Trust, the SEC may consider the applicability of Rule 3a-7 to the Issuer. If it were determined that the Issuer cannot rely on Rule 3a-7, the Servicer may cause the Issuer to amend the Indenture without the consent of the Holders of the Notes and without the consent of the Holders of the Preferred Shares to enable the Issuer to rely on Rule 3a-7, which could require additional limitations and prohibitions on the circumstances under which the Issuer may sell assets, on the type of assets that the Issuer may acquire out of the proceeds of assets that mature, are refinanced or otherwise sold, on the period during which such transactions may occur, on the level of transactions that may occur or on other provisions of the Indenture and could adversely affect the earnings of the Issuer and its ability to make payments on the Notes and distributions to the Preferred Shares. As a condition to the effectiveness of any such amendment to the Indenture, the Issuer, the Trustee and the Initial Purchasers will (i) satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to such amendment and (ii) receive a customary, unqualified opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such amendment and assuming compliance with the Indenture as so amended, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act. Such nationally recognized law firm may also be acting as counsel to the Servicer, certain Holders of Notes and/or Preferred Shares. The interests of any such parties may not coincide with the interest of other Holders of Notes and/or Preferred Shares. See "Legal Structure—The Indenture—Modification of Indenture."

22. Dependence on Key Personnel of the Servicer. The performance of the Portfolio Collateral will be highly dependent on the financial and managerial expertise of the Servicer. See "The Servicer" and "The Servicing Agreement." The loss of one or more of the individuals servicing the Portfolio Collateral could have a significant material adverse effect on the performance of the Portfolio Collateral. Although the Servicer will commit a significant amount of its efforts to the servicing of the Portfolio Collateral, it manages and will manage in the future other products and vehicles and is not required (and will not be able) to devote all of its time to the servicing of the Portfolio Collateral.

23. Ratings of the Notes. The ratings of the Notes by S&P address solely the likelihood of timely payment of the Periodic Interest Amount on and the ultimate payment of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Senior Class A Notes, the ultimate payment of the Cumulative Interest Amount and the Aggregate Principal Amount

of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes and the Class B-2L Notes. The ratings of the Notes by Moody's address the ultimate cash receipt of all required payments as provided by the governing documents, and are based on the expected loss to the Noteholders of each Class relative to the promise of receiving the present value of such payments. A rating is not a recommendation to purchase, hold or sell securities, in as much as such rating does not comment as to market price or suitability for a particular investor and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning rating organization.

24. Certain Tax Considerations. Investors in the Notes should review carefully the tax considerations set forth in "Certain Tax Considerations" herein. By its acceptance of a Note, each Holder of a Note and beneficial owner thereof that is a Non-U.S. Holder thereof shall be deemed have represented that it is not purchasing its Notes in order to reduce its United States federal income tax liability pursuant to a tax avoidance plan within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.881-3(b), and each Holder of a Note and beneficial owner thereof shall be deemed to have agreed (a) to treat the Notes as indebtedness of the Issuer, treat the Preferred Shares as equity of the Issuer and take no action inconsistent with such treatment; (b) to timely furnish the Issuer or its agents any United States federal income tax form or certification (such as IRS Form W-8BEN, Form W-8IMY, Form W-8ECI or Form W-9 or any successors to such forms) that the Issuer or its agents may reasonably request and to update or replace such form or certification in accordance with its terms or its subsequent amendments; (c) to provide the Issuer, upon request, with such information as may reasonably be requested by the Issuer (including but not limited to information relating to the beneficial owner of the Note) in connection with the Issuer's fulfillment of its tax reporting, notification, withholding and similar obligations arising under the Code (as amended from time to time) or the Transaction Documents; and (d) not to treat the Issuer as being engaged in the active conduct of a banking, financing, insurance, or other similar business for purposes of Section 954(h)(2) of the Code.

25. Certain ERISA Considerations. Investors in the Notes should review carefully the ERISA considerations set forth in "Certain ERISA Considerations" herein.

26. Legislation and Regulations In Connection With the Prevention of Money Laundering. The Uniting and Strengthening America By Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the "**USA PATRIOT Act**"), signed into law on and effective as of October 26, 2001, imposes anti-money laundering obligations on different types of financial institutions, including banks, broker-dealers and investment companies. The USA PATRIOT Act requires the Secretary of the United States Department of the Treasury (the "**Treasury**") to prescribe regulations to define the types of investment companies subject to the USA PATRIOT Act and the related anti-money laundering obligations. It is not clear whether Treasury will require entities such as the Issuer to enact anti-money laundering policies. It is possible that Treasury will promulgate regulations requiring the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchasers or other service providers to the Co-Issuers, in connection with the establishment of anti-money laundering procedures, to share information with governmental authorities with respect to investors in the Notes and/or the Preferred Shares. Such legislation and/or regulations could require the Co-Issuers to implement additional restrictions on the transfer of the Notes and/or the Preferred Shares. As may be required, the Issuer reserves the right to request such information and take such actions as are necessary to enable it to comply with the USA PATRIOT Act.

27. Emerging Requirements of the European Union. As part of the harmonization of transparency requirements, the European Commission is scheduled to adopt a directive known as the Transparency Obligations Directive that, among other things, will regulate issuers of securities that are offered to the public or admitted to trading on a European Union regulated market. The listing of Notes on any European Union stock exchange would subject the Issuer to regulation under this directive, although the requirements applicable to the Issuer are not yet fully clarified. The Indenture will not require the Issuer to apply for, list or maintain a listing for any Class of Notes on a European Union stock exchange if compliance with this directive (or other requirements adopted by the European Commission or a relevant member state) becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer. Should the Notes be delisted from any exchange, the ability of the Holders of such Notes to sell such Notes in the secondary market may be negatively affected.

## THE ISSUER AND THE CO-ISSUER

### The Issuer

Rockwall CDO II Ltd. (the "**Issuer**") was incorporated in the Cayman Islands on April 12, 2006, for the express purpose of issuing the Notes, the Combination Notes and the Preferred Shares, acquiring, disposing of and holding the assets described herein and engaging in the related transactions contemplated hereby.

The Issuer has no significant prior operating experience. The purposes for which the Issuer has been established are set forth in clause 3 of its Memorandum of Association and are unrestricted; however, the business activities in which the Issuer may engage will be limited by the Indenture to the issuance of the Notes, the Combination Notes and the Preferred Shares, the acquisition and disposition of Portfolio Collateral as described herein, ownership of the Co-Issuer's shares, the execution and delivery of any Hedge Agreements and certain activities conducted in connection with the payment of amounts in respect of the Notes, the Combination Notes and the Preferred Shares and the management of the collateral. Cash flow derived from the Portfolio Collateral and other collateral securing the Notes will be the Issuer's only sources of cash.

The registered office of the Issuer is at the offices of Maples Finance Limited, P.O. Box 1093 GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands and the registered number of the Issuer is 166029.

The proceeds of the offering of Notes will be used, together with the proceeds of the sale of the Preferred Shares, to purchase Portfolio Collateral, to fund the Deposit and the Expense Reimbursement Account and to pay organizational, structuring, legal and offering fees and expenses.

### The Administrator

The Issuer has appointed Maples Finance Limited in the Cayman Islands, as Administrator to perform certain administrative functions on its behalf.

### Share Capital

The Issuer's authorized share capital is U.S.\$350,250 and consists of 250 ordinary shares of U.S.\$1.00 par each, 175,000,000 Class I Preferred Shares of U.S.\$0.001 par each and 175,000,000 Class II Preferred Shares of U.S.\$0.001 par each. As of the Closing Date, 250 ordinary shares, 42,200,000 Class I Preferred Shares and 44,000,000 Class II Preferred Shares will have been issued and will be fully paid-up. All of the issued and outstanding ordinary shares of the Issuer are held in trust for the benefit of certain charitable entities.

The Class I Preferred Shares and the Class II Preferred Shares will be identical in all respects except that the Class II Preferred Shares will also be entitled, subject to any restrictions under Cayman Islands law, to the Class II Preferred Share Dividends. In addition to the Class II Preferred Share Dividends payable on the Class II Preferred Shares, regular dividends will be payable on the Class II Preferred Shares and the Class I Preferred Shares on each Payment Date in the amounts and in the priority described under the Priority of Payments; *provided* that, if and to the extent sufficient funds to pay such regular dividends in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Cayman Islands law are not available on any Payment Date, such unpaid regular dividends will cease to be payable on such Payment Date or any other date. Class II Preferred Share Dividends will be paid to the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares on a *pro rata* basis according to the number of Class II Preferred Shares held by each Holder. All other dividends and distributions in respect of the Preferred Shares will be paid to the Holders of the Preferred Shares on a *pro rata* basis according to the number of Preferred Shares held by each Holder. Following the liquidation of the Collateral and the distribution of any available remaining funds following a redemption of the Notes and payment of all other obligations of the Co-Issuers (other than amounts payable by the Issuer to the Holders of the Preferred Shares) or an Event of Default under the Indenture or otherwise, the Preferred Shares will be redeemed, whether or not the Holders thereof receive any payments in respect of such redemption.

The Directors of the Issuer are responsible for the management and administration of the Issuer. Currently, the Directors are Steven O'Connor and Chris Marett. As of the Closing Date, HFP, which will hold all of the Class II Preferred Shares and 32% of the Class I Preferred Shares, will have full voting rights with respect to the appointment and removal of the Directors of the Issuer.

#### The Co-Issuer

The Co-Issuer was incorporated on February 27, 2007, under the laws of the State of Delaware and its registered office is c/o Donald J. Puglisi, 850 Library Avenue, Suite 204, City of Newark, County of New Castle, Delaware 19711. The Co-Issuer will not have any substantial assets and will not pledge any assets to secure the Notes.

The Co-Issuer will be capitalized only to the extent of its common equity of \$10, will have no assets other than its equity capital. The Issuer will own 100% of the stock of the Co-Issuer.

#### Combination Notes

In addition, on the Closing Date, the Issuer expects to issue the Combination Notes (the "**Combination Notes**") pursuant to the Indenture. The Combination Notes will consist of two components: (i) the Note Component having an aggregate initial principal amount of U.S.\$6,750,000 Class B-1L Notes and (ii) the Preferred Share Component representing 3,250,000 Class I Preferred Shares. The Combination Notes represent an ownership interest in such Class B-1L Notes and such Class I Preferred Shares and do not represent an additional obligation of the Issuer. The Combination Notes are a stapled security and comprise two components which are not transferable; however, a holder may exchange its Combination Notes for the corresponding interests in the component securities. For all purposes under the Indenture and the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the holders of the Combination Notes are holders of the Class B-1L Notes and Class I Preferred Shares. The Combination Notes are not offered hereby.

### **DESCRIPTION OF THE NOTES**

Certain definitions used herein are set forth in the Glossary of Certain Defined Terms (the "**Glossary**") set forth as Annex A hereto.

#### General

The Notes will be issued on the Closing Date pursuant to an indenture (the "**Indenture**"), to be dated as of the Closing Date, among the Co-Issuers and Investors Bank & Trust Company, as trustee (the "**Trustee**") and as securities intermediary. The following summaries generally describe certain provisions of the Notes and the Indenture. The summaries do not purport to be complete and are subject to, and are qualified in their entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Notes and the Indenture. When particular provisions or terms used in the Notes and the Indenture are referred to, the actual provisions (including definitions of terms) are incorporated by reference. Copies of the Indenture may be obtained by Holders of the Notes upon request to the Issuer or the Initial Purchasers.

The Indenture limits the amount of Notes that can be issued thereunder to the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes and the Class B-2L Notes in the aggregate principal amounts and notional principal amounts, as applicable, set forth on the cover hereof. Subject to the foregoing, the Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$ 200,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1 in excess of such minimum denomination.

**The Notes, with the exception of the Class B-2L Notes, will be non-recourse obligations of the Co-Issuers, the Class B-2L Notes will be non-recourse obligations of the Issuer, and all amounts payable in respect of the Notes will be paid solely from and to the extent of the available proceeds from the Trust Estate. To the extent the assets of the Trust Estate are insufficient to pay all amounts due on the Notes on each Payment Date, on the Final Maturity Date or otherwise, the Co-Issuers shall have no further obligations in respect of the Notes and any sums outstanding and unpaid shall be extinguished.**



The Record Date for each Payment Date (including the Final Maturity Date) is the Business Day immediately preceding such Payment Date; *provided, however*, if Definitive Notes are issued, the Record Date for such Definitive Notes shall be the fifteenth calendar day preceding such Payment Date. Payments of interest and principal or any other amount payable on or in respect of the Notes will be made on each Payment Date by wire transfer to registered Holders of the Notes on the Record Date applicable to such Payment Date to accounts maintained by such registered Holders as reflected in the Note Register. In the case of redemption, notice will be mailed to each Holder of record no later than twenty days before the Payment Date on which the final principal payment is expected to be made to such Holder.

Under the terms of the Indenture, the Trustee will act as a paying agent (together with any other paying agent appointed by the Co-Issuers from time to time, the "**Paying Agents**"). Investors Bank & Trust Company will act as the paying and transfer agent for the Preferred Shares (the "**Paying and Transfer Agent**"). The Issuer will appoint an off-shore Paying and Transfer Agent (other than in the Cayman Islands) (in addition to and not in lieu of Investors Bank & Trust Company) if requested by at least 33-2/3% of the Preferred Shares, with the cost of any such agent to be borne by the Issuer. There can be no assurance that any investor requesting payment from an off-shore paying agent will receive payments on the same day that they would have received such payments had the payments been made by Investors Bank & Trust Company. Payments of principal of and interest on and other amounts in respect of the Notes will be made by the Trustee to the Paying Agents from funds available in the Collection Account established under the Indenture as described herein.

All distributions in respect of the Portfolio Collateral will be deposited directly into the Collection Account and will be available to the extent described herein for the payment of amounts payable in respect of the Notes and, under the circumstances set forth herein and in the Indenture, for the applications described herein.

The Notes are subject to restrictions on transfer. See "—Form, Transfer and Transfer Restrictions." Subject to such restrictions, the Notes may be transferred or exchanged at the office designated by the Trustee for such purposes without the payment of any service charge, other than tax or other governmental charges payable in connection therewith.

#### Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions

General. The Class A-1L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest on the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof ("**Periodic Interest**" and, the amount of such periodic interest, the "**Periodic Interest Amount**" with respect to the Class A-1L Notes) (to the extent of funds available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the rate of 0.25% with respect to the Class A-1LA Notes and 0.55% with respect to the Class A-1LB Notes, *per annum* above the London interbank offered rate for three-month U.S. dollar deposits (or, for the period from the Closing Date to the first Payment Date, as described herein) ("**LIBOR**") (determined as described herein) (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class A-1LB Notes, as applicable) on the first day of February, May, August and November of each year, or, if any such day is not a Business Day, then on the next succeeding Business Day (each such date, a "**Payment Date**"), commencing on the November 2007 Payment Date. Payments of interest on the Class A-1L Notes will be payable *pari passu* among the Class A-1L Notes as described herein. "**Periodic Interest Accrual Period**" is the period from the Closing Date through the day preceding the subsequent Payment Date and during each period thereafter from each Payment Date through the day preceding the subsequent Payment Date. To the extent Periodic Interest accrued at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to any Periodic Interest Accrual Period is not paid on the related Payment Date, the amount of such interest shortfall will accrue interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate and will be paid (to the extent funds are available therefor as described herein) on one or more subsequent Payment Dates after payment of interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to the Periodic Interest Accrual Period relating to such subsequent Payment Date (the amount of such shortfall, together with interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate, the "**Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount**" and, with the Periodic Interest Amount for such subsequent Payment Date, the "**Cumulative Interest Amount**" with respect to such Payment Date). The failure to pay in full Periodic Interest on the Class A-3L Notes as a result of insufficient funds being available therefore will constitute an Event of Default. Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed.

No principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-1L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of an Initial Deposit Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-1L Notes as described herein. On each Payment Date with respect to the Amortization Period, the principal of the Class A-1L Notes will be payable (to the extent of funds available therefor and in the order of priority described herein) first to the Class A-1LA Notes and then to the Class A-1LB Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes has been paid in full. The Class A-1LB Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Class A-1LA Notes to the extent described herein. All outstanding principal of the Class A-1L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date.

No interest will be payable in respect of the Class A-2L Notes on any Payment Date unless the Holders of the Class A-1L Notes have been paid the Cumulative Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date and, in the case of the Final Maturity Date, until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes has been paid in full.

The Class A-2L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest on the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof ("**Periodic Interest**" and, the amount of such periodic interest, the "**Periodic Interest Amount**" with respect to the Class A-2L Notes) (to the extent of funds available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the rate of 0.70% *per annum* above LIBOR (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class A-2L Notes) on each Payment Date commencing on the November 2007 Payment Date. To the extent Periodic Interest accrued at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to any Periodic Interest Accrual Period is not paid on the related Payment Date, the amount of such interest shortfall will accrue interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate and will be paid (to the extent funds are available therefor as described herein) on one or more subsequent Payment Dates after payment of interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to the Periodic Interest Accrual Period relating to such subsequent Payment Date (the amount of such shortfall, together with interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate, the "**Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount**" and, with the Periodic Interest Amount for such subsequent Payment Date, the "**Cumulative Interest Amount**" with respect to such Payment Date). The failure to pay in full Periodic Interest on the Class A-2L Notes as a result of insufficient funds being available therefore will constitute an Event of Default. Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed.

No principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-2L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-2L Notes. In connection with a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption, an Optional Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption, no principal in respect of the Class A-2L Notes will be payable until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes has been paid in full. On each Payment Date with respect to the Amortization Period after the Class A-1L Notes have been paid in full, principal of the Class A-2L Notes will be payable (to the extent of funds available therefor and in the order of priority described herein) until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2L Notes has been paid in full. All outstanding principal of the Class A-2L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date. The Class A-2L Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Class A-1L Notes to the extent described herein.

No interest will be payable in respect of the Class A-3L Notes on any Payment Date unless the Holders of the Senior Class A Notes have been paid the Cumulative Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date and, in the case of the Final Maturity Date, until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Senior Class A Notes has been paid in full.

The Class A-3L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest on the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof ("**Periodic Interest**" and, the amount of such periodic interest, the "**Periodic Interest Amount**" with respect to the Class A-3L Notes) (to the extent of funds available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the rate of 1.00% *per annum* above LIBOR (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class A-3L Notes) on each Payment Date commencing on the November 2007 Payment Date. To the extent Periodic Interest accrued at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to any Periodic Interest Accrual Period is not paid on the related Payment Date, the amount of such interest shortfall will accrue interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate and will be paid (to the extent funds are available therefor as described herein) on one or more subsequent

Payment Dates after payment of interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to the Periodic Interest Accrual Period relating to such subsequent Payment Date (the amount of such shortfall, together with interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate, the "**Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount**" and, with the Periodic Interest Amount for such subsequent Payment Date, the "**Cumulative Interest Amount**" with respect to such Payment Date). The failure to pay in full Periodic Interest on the Class A-3L Notes as a result of insufficient funds being available therefor will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Senior Class A Notes are Outstanding. Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed.

No principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-3L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-3L Notes. On each Payment Date with respect to the Amortization Period after the Class A-1L Notes, Class A-2L Notes have been paid in full, principal of the Class A-3L Notes will be payable (to the extent of funds available therefor and in the order of priority described herein) until the Payment Date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes has been paid in full. In connection with a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption, an Optional Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption, no principal in respect of the Class A-3L Notes will be payable until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes and the Class A-2L Notes have been paid in full. All outstanding principal of the Class A-3L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date. The Class A-3L Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Senior Class A Notes to the extent described herein.

No interest will be payable in respect of the Class B-1L Notes on any Payment Date unless the Holders of the Class A-1L Notes, the Class A-2L Notes and the Class A-3L Notes have been paid the Cumulative Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date, the Overcollateralization Tests with respect to the Class A Notes and the Interest Coverage Test have been satisfied, and, on the Final Maturity Date, unless the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes has been paid in full.

The Class B-1L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest on the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof ("**Periodic Interest**" and, the amount of such periodic interest, the "**Periodic Interest Amount**" with respect to the Class B-1L Notes) (to the extent funds are available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the rate of 2.25% *per annum* above LIBOR (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class B-1L Notes) on each Payment Date commencing on the November 2007 Payment Date. To the extent Periodic Interest accrued at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to any Periodic Interest Accrual Period is not paid on the related Payment Date, the amount of such interest shortfall will accrue interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate and will be paid (to the extent funds are available therefor as described herein) on one or more subsequent Payment Dates after payment of interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to the Periodic Interest Accrual Period relating to such subsequent Payment Date (the amount of such shortfall, together with interest thereon, at the Applicable Periodic Rate, the "**Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount**" and, together with the Periodic Interest Amount for such subsequent Payment Date, the "**Cumulative Interest Amount**" with respect to such Payment Date). The failure to pay in full Periodic Interest on the Class B-1L Notes as a result of insufficient funds being available therefor will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Class A Notes are Outstanding. Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed.

No principal will be payable in respect of the Class B-1L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes have been paid in full. Principal payments are not expected to begin until the commencement of the Amortization Period (except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class B-1L Notes) and are to continue until the Payment Date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes has been paid in full. In connection with a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption, an Optional Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption, no principal in respect of the Class B-1L Notes will be payable until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes has been paid in full. All outstanding principal of the Class B-1L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date. The Class B-1L Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Class A Notes to the extent described herein.

No interest will be payable in respect of the Class B-2L Notes on any Payment Date unless the Holders of the Class A-1L Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes have been paid the Cumulative Interest Amount due to them on such Payment Date, the Overcollateralization Tests with respect to the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes and the Interest Coverage Test have been satisfied, and, on the Final Maturity Date, unless the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes has been paid in full.

The Class B-2L Notes will provide for the payment of periodic interest on the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof ("**Periodic Interest**" and, the amount of such periodic interest, the "**Periodic Interest Amount**" with respect to the Class B-2L Notes) (to the extent funds are available therefor as described herein) for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the rate of 4.25% per annum above LIBOR (the "**Applicable Periodic Rate**" with respect to the Class B-2L Notes) on each Payment Date commencing on the November 2007 Payment Date. To the extent Periodic Interest accrued at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to any Periodic Interest Accrual Period is not paid on the related Payment Date, the amount of such interest shortfall will accrue interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate and will be paid (to the extent funds are available therefor as described herein) on one or more subsequent Payment Dates after payment of interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to the Periodic Interest Accrual Period relating to such subsequent Payment Date (the amount of such shortfall, together with interest thereon, at the Applicable Periodic Rate, the "**Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount**" and, together with the Periodic Interest Amount for such subsequent Payment Date, the "**Cumulative Interest Amount**" with respect to such Payment Date). The failure to pay in full Periodic Interest on the Class B-2L Notes as a result of insufficient funds being available therefor will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Class A Notes and Class B-1L Notes are Outstanding. Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed.

No principal will be payable in respect of the Class B-2L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes and Class B-1L Notes have been paid in full, except with respect to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement or upon the failure of the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test. Principal payments are not expected to begin until the commencement of the Amortization Period (except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class B-2L Notes or in connection with the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement) and are to continue until the Payment Date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-2L Notes has been paid in full. In connection with a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption, an Optional Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption (other than a Mandatory Redemption due to a failure of the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test), no principal in respect of the Class B-2L Notes will be payable until the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes and Class B-1L Notes has been paid in full. All outstanding principal of the Class B-2L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date. The Class B-2L Notes are subordinated in right of payment to the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes to the extent described herein.

To the extent assets of the Trust Estate are insufficient to pay all amounts due on the Notes, the Co-Issuers shall have no further obligations in respect of the Notes.

The Co-Issuers will not be required to pay additional amounts to Holders of any Class of Notes if taxes or related amounts are withheld from payments on the Notes or any payments on any item of Portfolio Collateral or other assets of the Co-Issuers. However, such withholding tax on payments on items of Portfolio Collateral could result in the Notes being redeemed by the Issuer. See "—Tax Event Redemption."

#### Determination of LIBOR

For purposes of calculating the Applicable Periodic Rate, the Issuer initially will appoint Investors Bank & Trust Company, as agent with respect to the determination of LIBOR (in such capacity, the "**Calculation Agent**"). LIBOR will be determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following provisions:

On the second London Business Day prior to the commencement of a Periodic Interest Accrual Period (each such day, a "**LIBOR Determination Date**"), LIBOR shall equal the rate, as obtained by the Calculation Agent, for three-month U.S. dollar deposits which appears on Telerate Page 3750 (as defined in the 2000 ISDA Definitions and as reported by Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News) or such other page as may replace such Page 3750, as of 11:00 a.m. (London time) on such LIBOR Determination

Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, LIBOR for the initial Periodic Interest Accrual Period will be determined through the use of straight-line interpolation by reference to two rates calculated in accordance with the provisions above, one of which shall be for five-month U.S. dollar deposits and the other of which shall be for six-month U.S. dollar deposits.

If, on any LIBOR Determination Date, such rate does not appear on Telerate Page 3750 or such other page as may replace such Page 3750, the Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks to leading banks in the London interbank market for three-month (or five-month and six-month, as applicable) U.S. dollar deposits in an amount determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to requests for quotations as of approximately 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the LIBOR Determination Date made by the Calculation Agent to the Reference Banks. If, on any LIBOR Determination Date, at least two of the Reference Banks provide such quotations, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean of such quotations. If, on any LIBOR Determination Date, only one or none of the Reference Banks provide such quotations, LIBOR shall be deemed to be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that one or more leading banks in The City of New York selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) are quoting on the relevant LIBOR Determination Date for three-month (or five-month and six-month, as applicable) U.S. dollar deposits in an amount determined by the Calculation Agent that is representative of a single transaction in such market at such time by reference to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market; *provided* that, if the Calculation Agent is required but is unable to determine a rate in accordance with at least one of the procedures provided above, LIBOR shall be LIBOR as determined on the previous LIBOR Determination Date. As used herein, "**Reference Banks**" means four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer).

As soon as possible after 11:00 a.m. (New York time) on each LIBOR Determination Date, but in no event later than 11:00 a.m. (New York time) on the Business Day immediately following each LIBOR Determination Date, the Calculation Agent will notify the Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer and (for so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange) the Irish Stock Exchange, of LIBOR for the next Periodic Interest Accrual Period. The Calculation Agent will also specify to the Issuer the quotations upon which LIBOR is based, and in any event the Calculation Agent shall notify the Issuer before 5:00 p.m. (New York time) on each LIBOR Determination Date that either: (i) it has determined or is in the process of determining LIBOR or (ii) it has not determined and is not in the process of determining LIBOR together with its reasons therefor.

Upon receipt of notice of LIBOR for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period from the Calculation Agent as described in the preceding paragraph, the Trustee will determine the Applicable Periodic Rate for each Class of Notes for such Periodic Interest Accrual Period and notify the Irish Stock Exchange of the Applicable Periodic Rate for each Class of Notes (for so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange). The determination of LIBOR by the Calculation Agent and the Applicable Periodic Rate by the Trustee (in the absence of manifest error) will be final and binding upon all parties.

The Calculation Agent may be removed by the Issuer at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Issuer, or if the Calculation Agent fails to determine LIBOR for a Periodic Interest Accrual Period, the Issuer will promptly appoint as a replacement Calculation Agent a leading bank which is engaged in transactions in U.S. dollar deposits in the international U.S. dollar market and which does not control or is not controlled by or under common control with the Issuer or its affiliates. The Calculation Agent may not resign or be removed from its duties without a successor having been duly appointed.

#### Adjusted Collateral Collections

On each Payment Date, in accordance with the Note Valuation Report for the Calculation Date immediately preceding such Payment Date, Collateral Interest Collections, to the extent of Available Funds in the Collection Account (excluding from such Available Funds, with respect to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral as described in the Indenture, certain Collateral Principal Collections with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment to purchase Portfolio Collateral prior to the end of such Due Period), and a portion of the proceeds from the sale of the Notes in an amount equal to U.S.\$1,500,000 (the "**Reserve Amount**") *plus* any amounts received from any Hedge Counterparty will be, will be applied by the Trustee to pay each of the following in the order of priority set forth below:

(A) the Trustee Administrative Expenses with respect to such Payment Date and any Trustee Administrative Expenses with respect to a previous Payment Date that were not paid on a previous Payment Date,

(B) the Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses with respect to such Payment Date and any Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses that were not paid on a previous Payment Date,

(C) the Issuer Base Administrative Expenses with respect to such Payment Date and any Issuer Base Administrative Expenses with respect to a previous Payment Date that were not paid on a previous Payment Date,

(D) for the replenishment of the Expense Reimbursement Account up to an amount equal to U.S.\$50,000 to the extent any of the amounts referred to in clause (C) have already been paid from funds on deposit therein (the aggregate of the amounts set forth in clauses (A), (B), (C) and (D) shall not exceed (i) U.S.\$250,000 *per annum plus* (ii) the greater of U.S.\$75,000 *per annum* and 0.0275% *per annum* of the Aggregate Par Amount on the related Calculation Date, and

(E) the Base Servicing Fee with respect to such Payment Date, and any Base Servicing Fee that was not paid on a previous Payment Date, and to the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend with respect to such Payment Date, and any Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend that was not paid on a previous Payment Date,

(F) any amount due under any Hedge Agreement (excluding any termination payment due under any such Hedge Agreement in respect of which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole "Defaulting Party" or sole "Affected Party" as such terms are defined in the related Hedge Agreement), if applicable (the aggregate of clauses (A), (B), (C), (D), (E) and (F), the "**Aggregate Base Fees and Expenses**").

Collateral Interest Collections *plus* any payments received from any Hedge Counterparty under a Hedge Agreement, net of the Aggregate Base Fees and Expenses payable on a Payment Date, represent "**Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections**" for such Payment Date.

On each Payment Date, in accordance with the Note Valuation Report for the Calculation Date immediately preceding such Payment Date, Collateral Principal Collections, to the extent of Available Funds in the Collection Account (excluding from such Available Funds any Collateral Disposition Proceeds received during the Due Period relating to such Calculation Date to be applied by the Trustee during the related Due Period or the immediately succeeding Due Period to purchase Substitute Portfolio Collateral and, with respect to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral as described in the Indenture, certain Collateral Principal Collections with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment to purchase Portfolio Collateral prior to the end of such Due Period), will be applied by the Trustee to pay the Aggregate Base Fees and Expenses, in the order set forth above, to the extent not paid or replenished from Collateral Interest Collections with respect to such Payment Date (the remaining amount, the "**Adjusted Collateral Principal Collections**" for such Payment Date).

On the first Payment Date, any funds included in the Reserve Amount that are remaining after the Aggregate Base Fees and Expenses have been paid, shall be distributed in full as Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections or Adjusted Collateral Principal Collections in accordance with the Priority of Payments set forth below. The Servicer shall, in its sole discretion, determine the amount, if any, of the remaining Reserve Amount that shall constitute Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections, and the amount, if any, of the remaining Reserve Amount that shall constitute Adjusted Collateral Principal Collections.

#### Revolving Period.

##### I. Collateral Interest Collections.

On each Payment Date with respect to the **Revolving Period**, Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections for such Payment Date will be applied by the Trustee in the following order of priority:

- (i) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount, *pro rata*, with respect to the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class A-1LB Notes and such Payment Date;

(ii) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-2L Notes and such Payment Date;

(iii) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-3L Notes and such Payment Date;

(iv) to the payment of principal as an O/C Redemption in the amount, if any, required to be paid in order to satisfy the Class A Overcollateralization Test and, on each Payment Date after the second Payment Date, the Interest Coverage Test, such amount to be paid first, to the Class A-1LA Notes; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes; third, to the Class A-2L Notes, and fourth, to the Class A-3L Notes, in that order, until each such Class is paid in full, to the extent required to satisfy the Class A Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test;

(v) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class B-1L Notes and such Payment Date;

(vi) to the payment of principal as an O/C Redemption in the amount, if any, required to be paid in order to satisfy the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test, such amount to be paid first, to the Class A-1LA Notes; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes; third, to the Class A-2L Notes; fourth, to the Class A-3L Notes; and fifth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount for the Class B-1L Notes and then to principal of the Class B-1L Notes, in that order, until each such Class is paid in full, to the extent required to satisfy the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test;

(vii) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class B-2L Notes and such Payment Date;

(viii) upon the occurrence of a Rating Confirmation Failure, to the payment of principal as Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption an amount, if any, required to be paid in order to receive a Rating Confirmation, such amount to be paid first, to the Class A-1LA Notes; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes; third, to the Class A-2L Notes; fourth, to the Class A-3L Notes; fifth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount for the Class B-1L Notes and then to principal of the Class B-1L Notes and sixth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount for the Class B-2L Notes and then to principal of the Class B-2L Notes, in that order, until each such Class is paid in full, to the extent required to in order to receive a Rating Confirmation;

(ix) to the payment of principal as an O/C Redemption in the amount, if any, required to be paid in order to satisfy the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test, such amount to be paid as follows: (a) 50% of available funds to the payment of principal on the Class B-2L Notes, and (b) 50% (or, after the Class B-2L Notes are paid in full, 100%) of available funds to the sequential payment of principal on the Notes, in amounts necessary to satisfy the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test on such Payment Date;

(x) on each Payment Date after the second Payment Date, *pro rata*, to the extent of available funds, an amount equal to 35% of the funds available up to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement to the payment of principal of the Class B-2L Notes until such Class is paid in full and an amount equal to 65% (or, after the Class B-2L Notes are paid in full, 100%) of the funds available up to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral (other than CLO Securities) as directed by the Servicer or the Issuer meeting certain specified requirements set forth in the Indenture and described herein during the Due Period in which such Payment Date occurs or the immediately succeeding Due Period;

(xi) to the payment to the Default Swap Counterparty or Hedge Counterparty, any Default Swap Counterparty Termination Payment or any amounts due under any Hedge Agreement in respect of which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole "Defaulting Party" or sole "Affected Party" thereunder as such terms are defined under the related Hedge Agreement;

(xii) to the payment, *first* (a) to the Servicer of the Additional Servicing Fee with respect to such Payment Date and then any Additional Servicing Fee with respect to any previous Payment Date (excluding any portion thereof included in any Waived Additional Servicing Fees) that was not paid on a previous Payment

Date; *provided however*, the Servicer may at its option waive all or a portion of such Additional Servicing Fee, such amount so waived (the "Waived Additional Servicing Fee") to be applied to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral as directed by the Servicer pursuant to the Indenture during the immediately succeeding Due Period, and (b) to the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend then due and unpaid and *second*, to the Holders of the Notes any due and unpaid Extension Bonus Payment;

(xiii) to the payment to the Issuer of the Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses with respect to such Payment Date and then any Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses with respect to a previous Payment Date that were not paid on a previous Payment Date;

(xiv) if the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares as of such Payment Date is less than 12%, to the *pari passu* payment to the Holders of all of the Preferred Shares, but only up to an amount that would cause the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares to equal 12%; and

(xv) any remaining amounts, (a) 20% to (x) the payment of the Supplemental Servicing Fee (excluding any Waived Supplemental Servicing Fees) for such Payment Date, and (y) the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Supplemental Dividend then due and unpaid, and (b) 80% to the Holders of the Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, as a dividend thereon or as a redemption payment on the Redemption Date, as applicable; *provided however*, the Servicer may at its option waive all or any portion of such Supplemental Servicing Fee, such amount so waived (the "Waived Supplemental Servicing Fee") to be applied to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral as directed by the Servicer pursuant to the Indenture during the immediately succeeding Due Period.

## II. Collateral Principal Collections.

On each Payment Date with respect to the **Revolving Period**, Adjusted Collateral Principal Collections for such Payment Date will be applied by the Trustee in the following order of priority:

(i) to the payment of the amounts described in clauses (i) through (viii) with respect to Collateral Interest Collections and the Revolving Period, in the order described therein, in each case to the extent such amounts have not been paid from Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections with respect to such Payment Date; *provided however* that, with respect to clause (iii) above, the Class A-3L Notes shall be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount due to the Class A-3L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections, but only to the extent such payment will not cause the failure of the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test, with respect to (v) above, the Class B-1L Notes shall be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount due to the Class B-1L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections but only to the extent this payment will not cause the failure of the Class A Overcollateralization Test, and with respect to (vii) above, the Class B-2L Notes shall be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount due to the Class B-2L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections but only to the extent this payment will not cause the failure of the Class A Overcollateralization Test or the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test;

(ii) if on any date the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, until the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test is satisfied, to pay the Notes, as an O/C Redemption, as follows: first, to the Class A-1LA Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; third, to the Class A-2L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; fourth, to the Class A-3L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; fifth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class B-1L Notes and then to the Class B-1L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; and sixth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to Class B-2L Notes and then to the Class B-2L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full, in each case, to the extent such amounts have not been paid from Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections;



(iii) to pay principal of the Notes in a Special Redemption, such amount to be paid first, to the Class A-1LA Notes; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes; third, to the Class A-2L Notes; fourth, to the Class A-3L Notes; fifth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class B-1L Notes and then to principal of the Class B-1L Notes and sixth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the B-2L Notes and then to principal of the Class B-2L Notes, in that order, until each Class is paid in full; and

(iv) as directed by the Servicer or the Issuer, to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral meeting the specified requirements no later than the last day of the Due Period relating to the Payment Date following such Payment Date (or, if no such direction is given by the Servicer or the Issuer, deposited by the Trustee in the Collection Account, such amounts to be applied in the manner described herein).

#### Amortization Period.

##### I. Collateral Interest Collections.

On each Payment Date with respect to the **Amortization Period**, Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections for such Payment Date will be applied by the Trustee in the following order of priority:

(i) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount, *pro rata*, with respect to the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class A-1LB Notes and such Payment Date;

(ii) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-2L Notes and such Payment Date;

(iii) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-3L Notes and such Payment Date;

(iv) to the payment of principal as an O/C Redemption in the amount, if any, required to be paid in order to satisfy the Class A Overcollateralization Test and, on each Payment Date after the second Payment Date, the Interest Coverage Test, such amount to be paid first, to the Class A-1LA Notes; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes; third, to the Class A-2L Notes; and fourth, to the Class A-3L Notes, in that order, until each such Class is paid in full, to the extent required to satisfy the Class A Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test;

(v) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class B-1L Notes and such Payment Date;

(vi) to the payment of principal as an O/C Redemption in the amount, if any, required to be paid in order to satisfy the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test, such amount to be paid first, to the Class A-1LA Notes; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes; third, to the Class A-2L Notes; fourth, to the Class A-3L Notes; and fifth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount and then to principal of the Class B-1L Notes, in that order, until each such Class is paid in full, to the extent required to satisfy the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test;

(vii) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class B-2L Notes and such Payment Date;

(viii) to the payment of principal as an O/C Redemption in the amount, if any, required to be paid in order to satisfy the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test, such amount to be paid as follows: (a) 50% of available funds to the payment of principal on the Class B-2L Notes, and (b) 50% (or, after the Class B-2L Notes are paid in full, 100%) of available funds to the sequential payment of principal on the Notes, in amounts necessary to satisfy the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test on such Payment Date;

(ix) to the payment of, *pro rata*, to the extent of available funds, an amount equal to 35% of the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement to the payment of principal of the Class B-2L Notes until such Class is paid in full and an amount equal to 65% (or, after the Class B-2L Notes are paid in full, 100%) of the funds available up to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement to the payment of principal of the Notes in the order of priority described in clause (ii) under "—Collateral Principal Collections" below;

(x) to the payment to the Default Swap Counterparty or Hedge Counterparty, any Default Swap Counterparty Termination Payment or any amounts due under any Hedge Agreement in respect of which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole "Defaulting Party" or sole "Affected Party" thereunder as such terms are defined under the related Hedge Agreement;

(xi) to the payment, *first* (a) to the Servicer of the Additional Servicing Fee with respect to such Payment Date and then any Additional Servicing Fee with respect to any previous Payment Date (excluding any portion thereof included in any Waived Additional Servicing Fees) that was not paid on a previous Payment Date; *provided however*, the Servicer may at its option waive all or a portion of such Additional Servicing Fee, such amount so waived (the "Waived Additional Servicing Fee") to be applied to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral as directed by the Servicer pursuant to the Indenture during the immediately succeeding Due Period, and (b) to the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend then due and unpaid and *second*, to the Holders of the Notes any due and unpaid Extension Bonus Payment;

(xii) to the payment to the Issuer of the Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses with respect to such Payment Date and then any Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses with respect to a previous Payment Date that were not paid on a previous Payment Date;

(xiii) if the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares as of such Payment Date is less than 12%, to the pari passu payment to the Holders of all of the Preferred Shares, but only up to an amount that would cause the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares to equal 12%; and

(xiv) any remaining amounts, (a) 20% to (x) the payment of the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date, and (y) the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Supplemental Dividend then due and unpaid, and (b) 80% to the Holders of the Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, as a dividend thereon or as a redemption payment on the Redemption Date, as applicable.

## II. Collateral Principal Collections.

On each Payment Date with respect to the **Amortization Period**, Adjusted Collateral Principal Collections with respect to such Payment Date will be applied by the Trustee in the following order of priority:

(i) to the payment of the amounts described in clauses (i) through (vii) with respect to Collateral Interest Collections and the Amortization Period, in the order described therein, in each case to the extent such amounts have not been paid from Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections with respect to such Payment Date; *provided however* that, with respect to clause (iii) above, the Class A-3L Notes shall be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount due to the Class A-3L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections, but only to the extent such payment will not cause the failure of the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test, with respect to (v) above, the Class B-1L Notes shall be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount due to the Class B-1L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections but only to the extent this payment will not cause the failure of the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test, and with respect to (vii) above, the Class B-2L Notes shall be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount due to the Class B-2L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections but only to the extent this payment will not cause the failure of the Class A Overcollateralization Test or the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test;

(ii) if on any date the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, until the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test is satisfied, to pay the Notes, as an O/C Redemption as follows: first, to the Class A-1LA Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; third, to the Class A-2L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; fourth, to the Class A-3L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; fifth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class B-1L Notes and then to the Class B-1L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; and sixth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to Class B-2L Notes and then to the Class B-2L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full, in each case, to the extent such amounts have not been paid from Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections;

(iii) so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing and as directed by the Servicer or the Issuer, to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral from the proceeds of Collateral Principal Collections from any unscheduled prepayment or to the purchase of Substitute Portfolio Collateral from the sales proceeds of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, meeting the specified requirements with respect to the Amortization Period no later than ninety days after receipt of such amounts, (or, if no such direction is given by the Servicer or the Issuer, deposited by the Trustee in the Collection Account to be applied in the manner described herein); and

(iv) to pay the Notes as follows: first, to the Class A-1LA Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; third, to the Class A-2L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; fourth, to the Class A-3L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; fifth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to Class B-1L Notes and then to principal of the Class B-1L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; and sixth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to Class B-2L Notes and then to principal of the Class B-2L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full.

Final Maturity Date.

On the **Final Maturity Date** (including an Optional Redemption Date or a Tax Event Redemption or any other Payment Date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes is paid in full as described herein), in accordance with the Note Valuation Report for the Calculation Date immediately preceding the Final Maturity Date (or in the case of an Optional Redemption or a Tax Event Redemption, in accordance with the related redemption date statement delivered pursuant to the Indenture), Available Funds in the Collection Account in an amount equal to the sum of Adjusted Collateral Collections *plus* Collateral Disposition Proceeds, together with all available funds in the Loan Funding Account, will be applied by the Trustee in the following order of priority:

(i) first, to pay, *pari passu*, the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-1LA Notes and the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-1LB Notes and such Payment Date, and then, if the Final Maturity Date is also an Optional Redemption Date, to pay the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount, if any, to the Class A-1LA Notes;

(ii) first, to pay the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes and then to pay the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LB Notes;

(iii) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-2L Notes and such Payment Date;

(iv) to pay the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2L Notes;

(v) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-3L Notes and such Payment Date;

(vi) to pay the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes;

(vii) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class B-1L Notes and such Payment Date;

(viii) to pay the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes;

(ix) to pay the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class B-2L Notes and such Payment Date;

(x) to pay the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-2L Notes;

(xi) to pay any Default Swap Counterparty Termination Payments or any amounts due under any Hedge Agreement;

(xii) to pay, *first*, (a) to the Servicer the Additional Servicing Fee with respect to such Payment Date and then any Additional Servicing Fee with respect to any previous Payment Date (excluding any portion thereof included in any Waived Additional Servicing Fees) and (b) to the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend then due and unpaid and *second*, to the Holders of the Notes any due and unpaid Extension Bonus Payment;

(xiii) to pay to the Issuer the Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses with respect to such Payment Date and any Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses with respect to a previous Payment Date that were not paid on a previous Payment Date;

(xiv) if the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares as of such Payment Date is less than 12%, to the payment to the Holders of the Preferred Shares, but only up to an amount that would cause the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares to equal 12%; and

(xv) any remaining amounts, (a) 20% to (x) the payment of the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date (excluding any Waived Supplemental Servicing Fees), and (y) the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Supplemental Dividend then due and unpaid, and (b) 80% to the Holders of the Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, as a dividend thereon or a redemption payment on the Redemption Date, as applicable.

The amount and frequency of principal and interest payments will depend on, among other things, the extent to which the Portfolio Collateral pledged to secure the Notes become items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, are subject to early payment provisions or are retired prior to the Final Maturity Date through mandatory or optional redemption, sale, maturity or other liquidation or disposition and the extent to which Additional Portfolio Collateral meeting the requirements specified herein are available for purchase in circumstances in which Available Funds are to be used for the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral or in circumstances in which the Issuer may dispose of Portfolio Collateral and apply the proceeds thereof to the purchase of Substitute Portfolio Collateral as described herein as well as other factors, including the interest rates obtained in connection with the purchase of any such item of Portfolio Collateral or any Eligible Investment in which funds held in the accounts described herein may be maintained.

Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, with respect to Adjusted Collateral Collections held in the Collection Account in Eligible Investments pending application to purchase Portfolio Collateral, any such amounts not used to purchase Portfolio Collateral by the last day of the Due Period next succeeding the Due Period in which such amounts were collected may be used to purchase Portfolio Collateral in subsequent Due Periods in accordance with "Security for the Notes."

In addition, notwithstanding anything to the contrary, upon the direction of the Issuer (as directed by and in the time and manner directed by the Servicer), Payment Date Equity Securities may be distributed on any Payment Date in lieu of cash as follows:

(i) Payment Date Equity Securities will be paid as Collateral Interest Collections in accordance with the Priority of Payments with respect to the Preferred Shares, and upon such payment, the aggregate amount of Collateral Interest Collections distributable to the Holders of the Preferred Shares on such Payment Date will be reduced by the value of such Payment Date Equity Securities. Payment Date Equity Securities distributed on any Payment Date shall be distributed to the Holders of the Preferred Shares in the same manner as Collateral Interest Collections would be distributable to such Holders of Preferred Shares on such Payment Date and subject to the same restriction as to payment set out in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement; and

(ii) in calculating the amounts of Collateral Interest Collections and Collateral Principal Collections for such Payment Date, Collateral Interest Collections in an amount equal to the value of Payment Date Equity Securities distributed to the Holders of the Preferred Shares shall be recharacterized as Collateral Principal Collections and distributed in accordance with the Priority of Payments herein.

#### Overcollateralization Tests

The "**Overcollateralization Tests**" are applicable until the Notes are retired and all amounts payable in respect thereof are paid, and are satisfied if the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class A Overcollateralization Percentage (the "**Class A Overcollateralization Test**"), the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Percentage (the "**Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test**") and the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Percentage (the "**Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test**").

The "**Class A Overcollateralization Percentage**" is 107.0%, the "**Class B-1L Overcollateralization Percentage**" is 106.0% and the "**Class B-2L Overcollateralization Percentage**" is 103.63%.

The "**Class A Overcollateralization Ratio**" means, with respect to a determination made as of any date of calculation, the ratio (expressed as a percentage) obtained by *dividing* (a) the sum of (1) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate as of such date, calculated in accordance with the Overcollateralization Ratio Adjustment *plus* (2) the sum of the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Collection Account representing Collateral Principal Collections *plus* the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Initial Deposit Account *plus* unpaid Purchased Accrued Interest, each as of such date, by (b) the sum of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes (including for this purpose any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts with respect to such Classes of Notes not paid when due, until such amounts, if any, are paid in full) as of such date.

The "**Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio**" is calculated in the same manner as the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio, but includes in the denominator the Class B-1L Notes (including, in each case any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts with respect to such Classes of Notes not paid when due, until any such amounts are paid in full).

The "**Class B-2L Overcollateralization Ratio**" is calculated in the same manner as the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio, but reduces the numerator by the Overcollateralization Haircut Amount and includes in the denominator the Class B-2L Notes (including, in each case any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts with respect to such Classes of Notes not paid when due, until any such amounts are paid in full).

With respect to an item of Portfolio Collateral that it is both eligible to be included in the Overcollateralization Haircut Amount and is subject to an Overcollateralization Ratio Adjustment, for purposes of calculating the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Ratio, such item of Portfolio Collateral will not be discounted multiple times, but will be treated in the category that results in the largest discount to the par amount of such item of Portfolio Collateral.

The "**Overcollateralization Ratio Adjustment**" means, for purposes of calculating the Overcollateralization Ratios (i) items of Equity Portfolio Collateral shall not be included as Portfolio Collateral, (ii) items of Deferred Interest PIK Bonds and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral shall be included at the lesser of (a) the Market Value of such Deferred Interest PIK Bond and item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and (b) the Applicable Percentage for such Deferred Interest PIK Bond and item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral *multiplied* by its Principal Balance; *provided* that any Portfolio Loan that has been an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral for four years shall not be included as Portfolio Collateral and any CLO Security that has been an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral for three years shall not be included as Portfolio Collateral, (iii) with respect to items of Discount Portfolio Collateral, an amount equal to the original purchase price of such item of Discount Portfolio Collateral shall be included as Portfolio Collateral, (iv) to the extent the Aggregate Principal Amount of Current Pay Obligations exceeds 7.5% of the Aggregate Par Amount, such excess shall be included as Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and (v) items of Portfolio Collateral characterized as Current Pay Obligations in clause (iii)(c) of the Current Pay Obligation definition shall be included at 95% of the Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral.

If an item of Portfolio Collateral could be classified in more than one of the categories set forth in clauses (i) through (iv), such item of Portfolio Collateral will not be discounted multiple times but will be treated in the applicable category that results in the largest discount to the par amount of such item of Portfolio Collateral. Notwithstanding the foregoing, there may be included as Portfolio Collateral (with respect to items (i) through (iv) above) such greater amount as confirmed by the Rating Agencies which will not result in a reduction or withdrawal of the then-current ratings assigned by them to any Class of the Notes.

#### Applicability of Overcollateralization Tests

At any time that the Notes are Outstanding, if any Overcollateralization Test (other than the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test) is not satisfied on any Calculation Date related to a Payment Date, amounts that are junior in right of payment to such Overcollateralization Test as described under "—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions," will be applied to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes (or, in the case of the Class B-1L Notes, first to pay Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts and then to pay principal), in the order described under "—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions," in an O/C Redemption to the extent necessary to satisfy the applicable Overcollateralization Tests (recalculated on such Payment Date, but as of such Calculation Date, after taking into account such O/C Redemption) in accordance with the provisions described herein.

If on any Payment Date the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, 50% of available Interest Proceeds will be applied to pay principal on the Class B-2L Notes and 50% (or, after the Class B-2L Notes are paid in full, 100%) of available Interest Proceeds will be applied sequentially to pay principal on the Notes, in each case, until the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test is satisfied, and Principal Proceeds will be applied sequentially to pay principal on the Notes, as described further herein under "Description of the Notes—Priority of Payments."

In addition, generally, satisfaction or, in certain cases, maintenance, of both Overcollateralization Tests is a condition to the purchase or sale of Portfolio Collateral during certain specified periods. See "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral."

#### Interest Coverage Test

The "**Interest Coverage Test**" is applicable on each Payment Date after the second Payment Date and will be satisfied as of such Payment Date if the Interest Coverage Ratio is at least equal to 1.5%. The "**Interest Coverage Ratio**" means, with respect to any Payment Date after the second Payment Date, a number (expressed as a percentage) calculated by *dividing* (a) four times the amount by which (i) the Collateral Interest Collections received or scheduled to be received during the Due Period in which such calculation occurs (other than Collateral Interest Collections (including deferred interest thereon) scheduled to be received on any item of Portfolio Collateral that is not paying or expected to pay current interest), exceeds (ii) the Periodic Reserve Amount (excluding amounts payable on the Class B-1L Notes and the Class B-2L Notes) as of such Payment Date, by (b) the Aggregate Principal Amount of Class A Notes with respect to such Payment Date, as adjusted, to take into account any O/C Redemption to occur on the Payment Date related to such Due Period pursuant the Indenture.

#### Applicability of Interest Coverage Test

At any time after the second Payment Date that any of the Notes are Outstanding, if the Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied on any Calculation Date related to a Payment Date, amounts that are junior in right of payment to the Interest Coverage Test as described under "—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions," will be applied to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes in the order described under "—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions," in an O/C Redemption to the extent necessary to satisfy the Interest Coverage Test (recalculated on such Payment Date, but as of such Calculation Date, after taking into account such O/C Redemption) in accordance with the provisions described herein.

In addition, satisfaction of the Interest Coverage Test on the prior Payment Date is a condition to certain purchases and sales of Portfolio Collateral during certain specified periods as described herein. See "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral."

Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement

On each Payment Date after the second Payment Date, even if the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test are satisfied, Collateral Interest Collections that would otherwise be used for payments that are junior in right of payment to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement, as described under "—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions—Revolving Period," will be applied during the Revolving Period, to the payment of principal of the Class B-2L Notes and will be made available to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral or, during the Amortization Period, will be applied to the payment of the Class B-2L Notes and to pay principal of the Notes in the order described under "—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions—Amortization Period." The "Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement" with respect to any Payment Date is the amount necessary such that:

(a) the sum of:

(i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date, *plus*

(ii) the sum of the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Collection Account representing Collateral Principal Collections *plus* the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Initial Deposit Account *plus* unpaid Purchased Accrued Interest as of such date, *less*

(iii) the Overcollateralization Haircut Amount (if any),

equals or exceeds:

(b) 104.63% of the amount necessary, after giving effect to the amount applied to any O/C Redemption of the Notes to satisfy the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test (if applicable) on such Payment Date, to repay the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes, including any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement is a positive number that is more than the amount available therefor in the Priority of Payments, then the amount distributed with respect to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement shall be such lesser amount available.

For purposes of the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement, no item of Equity Portfolio Collateral shall be included as Portfolio Collateral. In addition for purposes of this requirement, (i) with respect to Defaulted Portfolio Collateral as to which there has occurred a payment default or an event of bankruptcy, only the portion equal to the lesser of (a) the Market Value of such item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and (b) the Applicable Percentage *multiplied* by the Principal Balance of such item of Portfolio Collateral, shall be included as Portfolio Collateral and (ii) with respect to items of Discount Portfolio Collateral, only an amount equal to the original purchase price of such item of Discount Portfolio Collateral shall be included as Portfolio Collateral. For purposes of calculating the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement, to the extent an item of Portfolio Collateral is considered Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, Discount Portfolio Collateral and/or is included in the Overcollateralization Haircut Amount, such item of Portfolio Collateral will not be discounted multiple times, but will be treated in the category that results in the largest discount to the par amount of the Portfolio Collateral.

Rating Confirmation Failure

The Issuer will request that each Rating Agency confirm after the Effective Date that it has not reduced or withdrawn (and not restored) the ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes (a "**Rating Confirmation**"). If the Issuer is unable to obtain a Rating Confirmation by the 35th day after the Effective Date (a "**Rating Confirmation Failure**"), on the next Payment Date and on each subsequent Payment Date during the Revolving Period, amounts that are junior in right of payment to such Rating Confirmation Failure, as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions," will be applied to the redemption of the Notes (or, in the case of the Class B-1L Notes and Class B-2L Notes, first to pay Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts due to such Notes, then to pay principal) until each such Class is paid in full, in the order and according to the priorities described herein (a "**Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption**"), to the extent necessary to receive a Rating Confirmation, in accordance with the provisions described herein. The Trustee will give notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange if any Class of Notes is then listed on the Irish Stock Exchange.

O/C Redemption

If on any Calculation Date any of the Overcollateralization Tests (other than the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test) or the Interest Coverage Test are required to be satisfied and are not satisfied, amounts that are junior in right of payment to such test as described under "—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions," will be applied to the redemption of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes (or, in the case of the Class B-1L Notes, first to pay Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts, then to pay principal) in the order described under "—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions" to the extent necessary in order to satisfy both the Overcollateralization Tests (other than the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test) and the Interest Coverage Test. If on any Payment Date the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, 50% of the available Interest Proceeds will be applied to pay principal on the Class B-2L Notes and 50% (or, after the Class B-2L Notes are paid in full, 100%) of available Interest Proceeds will be applied sequentially to pay principal on the Notes, and Principal Proceeds will be applied sequentially to pay principal on the Notes, in each case, as described in "—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions." A redemption of the Notes in connection with any Overcollateralization Test or Interest Coverage Test (an "**O/C Redemption**"), together with a redemption of the Notes through a Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption or an O/C Redemption is sometimes referred to herein as a "**Mandatory Redemption**." Any Mandatory Redemption will be effected at par. The Trustee will give notice of a Mandatory Redemption to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange if any Class of Notes is then listed on the Irish Stock Exchange.

Initial Deposit Redemption

On the Effective Date, to the extent that the full amount of the Deposit is not used to purchase or committed to be used to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral having an Aggregate Principal Amount (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to the Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date) at least equal to the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount in accordance with the guidelines described herein and in the Indenture, an amount (not in excess of the amount of the Deposit not so used to purchase or committed to be used to purchase) equal to the excess of the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount over the par amount of Portfolio Collateral actually acquired (or committed to be acquired) (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to the Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date) will be applied by the Issuer on the November 1, 2007 Payment Date (the "**Initial Deposit Redemption Date**") to make principal payments on the Class A-1LA Notes (an "**Initial Deposit Redemption**") except, if the amount of the Deposit not so used to purchase or committed to be used to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral does not exceed U.S.\$2,000,000 in the aggregate, such amount will be transferred to the Collection Account on the Effective Date and applied as Collateral Principal Collections. The Trustee will give notice of an Initial Deposit Redemption to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange if any Class of Notes is then listed on the Irish Stock Exchange.

Optional Redemption*Optional Redemption by Liquidation*

On any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period (the "**Optional Redemption Date**," which date shall be considered the Final Maturity Date), subject to satisfaction of certain conditions described herein, the Notes will be redeemed, in whole but not in part, by the Co-Issuers or the Issuer, as applicable, at the direction of the Holders of at least 66-2/3% of the outstanding Preferred Shares eligible to vote (excluding any Preferred Shares beneficially owned or controlled by the Servicer, entities affiliated with the Servicer or clients of the Servicer (collectively, the "**Servicer Entities**") in excess of the Original HFP Share Amount) at the Optional Redemption Price. No such Optional Redemption by Liquidation may occur unless all Outstanding Notes are redeemed, all amounts due to or advanced by any Hedge Counterparty under the related Hedge Agreement have been paid or reimbursed and unless all other payments, fees and expenses are paid in full.

In connection with any Optional Redemption, the Issuer may use all funds credited to the Collection Account to provide for payment of the Optional Redemption Price. If there are not sufficient funds in the Collection Account as of the date the notice of redemption is given to pay the Optional Redemption Price on the Optional



Redemption Date and all such payments, fees and expenses (including any termination payments with respect to any Synthetic Securities and any Default Swaps), the Servicer is required to give the Trustee written direction to sell Portfolio Collateral in an amount sufficient to provide funds to pay the Optional Redemption Price in full. The Trustee will give notice of an Optional Redemption to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange if any Class of Notes is then listed on the Irish Stock Exchange.

*Optional Redemption by Refinancing*

Any Class of Notes may be redeemed in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period from the proceeds of a Refinancing (as defined below) (the "**Refinancing Proceeds**") with consent of the holders of at least a Majority of the Preferred Shares eligible to vote (including any Preferred Shares held by the Servicer Entities up to the Original HFP Share Amount, but excluding any other Preferred Shares beneficially owned or controlled by the Servicer Entities which shall be deemed ineligible to vote), or at the direction of such Majority of the Preferred Shares (an "**Optional Redemption**" or an "**Optional Redemption by Refinancing**"), if the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, gives notice thereof to the Holders of the Preferred Shares (with a copy to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies) at least 30 days prior to the Payment Date fixed by the Issuer for such redemption (such date, the "**Refinancing Date**") to redeem such Notes, by obtaining a loan or an issuance of a replacement class of notes, the terms of which loan or issuance will be negotiated by, and acceptable to, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, from one or more financial institutions or purchasers (which may include the Servicer or its affiliates) selected by the Servicer (a Refinancing provided pursuant to such loan or issuance, a "**Refinancing**"), to the extent and subject to the restrictions described herein, and, if such Refinancing has not been directed by a Majority of the Preferred Shares eligible to vote (including any Preferred Shares held by the Servicer Entities up to the Original HFP Share Amount, but excluding any other Preferred Shares beneficially owned or controlled by the Servicer Entities which shall be deemed ineligible to vote), such proposal is consented to by such Majority of the Preferred Shares prior to the Refinancing Date. The Issuer will obtain a Refinancing only if the Servicer determines to its satisfaction that: (i) the principal amount of any obligations providing the Refinancing is no greater than the principal amount of the Notes being redeemed *plus* the fees and administrative expenses of the Issuer related to the Refinancing; (ii) the stated maturity of the obligations providing the Refinancing is no earlier than the Stated Maturity of the Notes being redeemed; (iii) the interest rate payable in respect of the obligations providing the Refinancing is less than the interest rate payable on the Notes being redeemed; (iv) the agreements relating to the Refinancing contain non-recourse and non-petition provisions, investor qualification provisions and transfer restrictions equivalent to those applicable to the Notes being redeemed, as set forth in the Indenture; (v) the proceeds from the Refinancing will be at least sufficient to redeem the applicable Notes (at the Optional Redemption Price therefor) and to pay any fees and administrative expenses of the Issuer related to the Refinancing; (vi) the Refinancing Proceeds will be used (to the extent necessary) to redeem the applicable Notes; (vii) the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency shall be satisfied (other than with respect to the Notes being redeemed); (viii) the obligations providing the Refinancing are subject to the Priority of Payments and do not rank higher in priority pursuant to the Priority of Payments than the Class of Notes being redeemed; and (ix) the expenses in connection with the Refinancing have been paid or will be adequately provided for. Any Refinancing Proceeds will not constitute Collateral Interest Collections or Collateral Principal Collections but will be applied directly on the related Refinancing Date pursuant to the Indenture to redeem the Notes being refinanced without regard to the Priority of Payments; *provided* that, to the extent that any Refinancing Proceeds are not applied to redeem the Notes being refinanced, such Refinancing Proceeds will be treated as Collateral Principal Collections or, if the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to such application, as Collateral Interest Collections. None of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee or any other Person will be liable to the Holders of the Preferred Shares for the failure to issue additional notes or to obtain secured loans.

Any notice of redemption may be withdrawn by the Issuer until (i) the earlier of the fifth Business Day prior to the scheduled redemption date and the date on which a forward purchase contract is entered into pursuant to the Indenture by written notice from the Issuer to the Trustee, the holders of the Preferred Shares requesting or consenting to such optional redemption and the Servicer or (ii) the fifth Business Day prior to the proposed Refinancing Date, if (A) in the case of an Optional Redemption by Liquidation, the Servicer shall be unable to deliver the sale agreement or agreements or certifications required under the Indenture, as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee or (B) in the case of an Optional Redemption by Refinancing, the Servicer does not make the determinations required under the Indenture or (C) in the case of any Optional Redemption, a Majority of the Preferred Shares eligible to vote in such Optional Redemption direct such notice be withdrawn. Notice of

withdrawal having been given as aforesaid, the Trustee shall provide notice of such withdrawal to each Holder as required by the Indenture and, for so long as any Class of Notes is listed on any stock exchange and the rules of such stock exchange so require, to such Stock Exchange.

#### Tax Event Redemption

The Notes are also subject to redemption on any Payment Date, at the option of the Issuer, in whole but not in part, at the direction of at least a Majority of the Preferred Shares (or a Majority of the Controlling Class if the Aggregate Principal Balance of Portfolio Collateral is less than 100% of the Class A-1L Notes) on any Payment Date at the Tax Event Redemption Price, if as a result of (i) change in tax law, rule or regulation or the interpretation thereof, the payments to be received on the Portfolio Collateral are reduced as a result of the imposition of withholding tax, (ii) the Issuer is otherwise subjected to tax such that the income of the Issuer is reduced in an amount determined by such holders of Preferred Shares to be material, (iii) (A) one or more items of Portfolio Collateral that were not subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them have become subject to withholding tax or the rate of withholding has increased on one or more items of Portfolio Collateral that were subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them and (B) in any Due Period the aggregate of the payments subject to withholding tax on new withholding tax obligations and the increase in payments subject to withholding tax on increased rate withholding tax obligations, in each case to the extent not "grossed-up" (on an after-tax basis) by the related obligor, represent 5% or more of Interest Proceeds for the Due Period, (iv) (A) the Cap Provider being required to deduct or withhold from any payment to the Issuer under the Cap Agreement for or on account of any tax for whatever reason and such obligor or Cap Provider is not required to pay to the Issuer such additional amount as is necessary to ensure that the net amount actually received by the Issuer (free and clear of taxes, whether assessed against such obligor, the Cap Provider or the Issuer) will equal the full amount that the Issuer would have received had no such deduction or withholding occurred or (B) the Issuer being required to pay to the Cap Provider an additional amount for or on account of any tax for whatever reason, the Issuer does not receive the full amount under the Cap Agreement that it would otherwise be entitled to receive or (v) taxes, fees, assessments or other similar charges are imposed on the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in an aggregate amount in any 12-month period in excess of \$2,000,000, other than liabilities for withholding taxes included in clause (iii) above. No such Tax Event Redemption may occur unless all Outstanding Notes are redeemed, all amounts due to or advanced by any Hedge Counterparty under the related Hedge Agreement have been paid or reimbursed and unless all other payments, fees and expenses are paid in full.

As the result of the ownership of Preferred Shares and Notes by the Servicer Entities, and the ability to vote the Preferred Shares and the Notes owned by the Servicer Entities up to a maximum amount equal to the Original HFP Share Amount, the affirmative vote or approval of the Preferred Shares owned by such Servicer Entities, may be required in order to cause an Optional Redemption or a Tax Event Redemption of the Notes.

#### Special Redemption

The Notes are subject to redemption in part on any Payment Date (and on one or more Payment Dates) during the Revolving Period, at the option of the Issuer acting at the direction of the Servicer, if more than U.S.\$2,000,000 of Collateral Principal Collections received are not applied to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral selected by the Servicer and satisfying the criteria described herein by the earlier of ninety days of receipt or the last day of the Revolving Period, in an amount of at least U.S.\$2,000,000 as described under "—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions—Revolving Period—Collateral Principal Collections."

The Trustee will give notice of any redemption which the Issuer and the Servicer have directed to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange if any Class of Notes is then listed on the Irish Stock Exchange.

#### Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date

##### *General*

The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Revolving Period to the applicable Extended Revolving Period End Date up to a maximum of four times (so that the Notes can only be extended to 2040) if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously affected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension

Effective Date, (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied, (iii) the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Revolving Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date and (iv) no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing. If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Final Maturity Date of the Notes shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Final Maturity Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Notes (other than the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes) or Preferred Shares (other than as may be required pursuant to the Extension Conditions) or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or any other transaction document (the "**Maturity Extension**"). In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes or Preferred Shares wishing to sell such Notes or Preferred Shares to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to "—Extension Procedure" below (such Notes or Preferred Shares as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, "**Extension Sale Securities**"). Each Holder providing an Extension Sale Notice shall be deemed to agree that no Extension Sale Securities shall be purchased unless all Extension Sale Securities are purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date and the other Extension Conditions are satisfied as of such date. The Maturity Extension shall be effective only if the following conditions (the "**Extension Conditions**") are satisfied:

(i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the applicable Extension Effective Date;

(ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions herein, in the Indenture and the Preferred Share Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement immediately after such purchase and the legends on such Notes and Preferred Shares and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency);

(iii) (a) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to S&P (so long as any Notes are then rated by S&P) and (b) either (A) the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Ratio is at least 105% and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied as of the related Extension Determination Date and the Interest Coverage Test was satisfied on the immediately preceding Payment Date, the rating of each Class of Notes by Moody's has not been downgraded, withdrawn or qualified from that in effect on the Closing Date (unless it subsequently has been reinstated to the rating assigned on the Closing Date) or (B) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to Moody's (so long as any Notes are then rated by Moody's); and

(iv) (a) the Holders of 100% of the Outstanding Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes have delivered the Extension Sale Notice in the Extension Sale Notice Period or (b) if the Holders of 100% of the Outstanding Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes fail to deliver an Extension Sale Notice pursuant to the preceding clause (a), either (A) the Issuer, acting through the Servicer, notifies the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes in writing not later than the last day of the Extension Sale Notice Period that such Class A-1LA Notes shall constitute "Extension Sale Securities" (as a result of which such Class A-1LA Notes must be purchased by an Extension Qualifying Purchaser) or (B) the Holders of 100% of the Outstanding Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes have consented in writing to the Maturity Extension not later than the last day of the Extension Sale Notice Period; *provided* that if the Extension Conditions are not satisfied because the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes have failed to deliver an Extension Sale Notice or have failed to provide their written consent to the related Maturity Extension, then the Servicer may extend the Extension Sale Notice Period by seven Business Days if the Servicer reasonably believes that it will receive such Extension Sale Notice or written consent within seven Business Days following the end of the Extension Sale Notice Period.

In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Holder of Notes other than Extension Sale Securities shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment. Holders of Preferred Shares shall not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment. The obligation to make any Extension Bonus Payment shall not be rated by the Rating Agencies. Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with the priority of distributions on a Payment Date shall not be considered "due and payable" hereunder. The failure to pay any such Extension Bonus Payment on such date shall not be an Event of Default, unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Final Maturity Date and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Notes. Unpaid Extension Bonus Payments shall not accrue interest. Such amounts shall be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

### *Extension Procedure*

No later than three Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Issuer of its election to extend the Revolving Period (the "**Extension Notice**"), the Trustee shall deliver the Extension Notice to all Holders of Notes and the Preferred Shares Paying and Transfer Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preferred Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding), in the form set out in the Indenture, and shall request the Rating Condition for the Maturity Extension from S&P, if applicable. Any Holder of Notes and Preferred Shares may give irrevocable notice (an "**Extension Sale Notice**") within 30 days after the Trustee has delivered the Extension Notice (the "**Extension Sale Notice Period**") of its intention to sell its Notes or Preferred Shares to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. If the Holders of 100% of the Outstanding Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes have not delivered the Extension Sale Notice to the Trustee by the 20th calendar day after the date of the Extension Notice, the Trustee shall notify the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes of the date on which the Extension Sale Notice Period shall end and include a statement to the effect that (i) no Extension Sale Notice delivered after the end of the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be effective and (ii) the Class A-1LA Notes for which no Extension Sale Notice has been delivered may be treated as Extension Sale Securities pursuant to clause (iv) of the Extension Conditions (as a result of which the Class A-1LA Notes must be purchased by an Extension Qualifying Purchaser). Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of Notes (other than the Class A-1LA Notes, as described in clause (iv) (b)(A) of the Extension Conditions) or Preferred Shares that has not given such an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be entitled to sell its Notes or Preferred Shares to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension. If clause (iii)(b)(A) of the Extension Conditions is not satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date as determined by the Issuer (or its agent), the Trustee shall request the Rating Condition to be satisfied with respect to Moody's. On the applicable Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or its agent) shall confirm (i) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Notes or Preferred Shares in compliance with all transfer restrictions in the Indenture and the legends on such Notes or Preferred Shares and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (ii) whether the requirements of clause (iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date and (iii) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the applicable Extension Effective Date. On each Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension shall become effective under the terms of the Indenture *provided* that all Extension Conditions set forth above are satisfied. No later than two Business Days after each Extension Effective Date, the Trustee based on a determination made by the Issuer, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall deliver a notice to all Holders of Notes and the Preferred Shares Paying and Transfer Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preferred Shares), the Servicer, Bear Stearns, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) and the Irish Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class of Notes is listed thereon) confirming whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension became effective, the Issuer shall make any required notifications thereof to the Depository for any Notes subject to the Maturity Extension. None of the Initial Purchasers, the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

### Additional Issuance

At any time during the Revolving Period, the Issuer, as applicable, may issue and sell Additional Preferred Shares and use the proceeds from such issuance and sale (net of any fees and expenses incurred in connection with the issuance thereof, including, without limitation, compensation payable to the Initial Purchasers or any placement agent for any services provided in connection therewith) to purchase additional eligible Portfolio Collateral (which may include eligible Portfolio Collateral purchased from any Servicer Entity on an arms-length transaction basis) (an "**Additional Issuance**"); *provided* that certain conditions are satisfied, including without limitation: (a) such Additional Issuance will be a percentage (the "**Additional Issuance Percentage**") specified by the Servicer, of the original issue price of the Preferred Shares issued and Outstanding on the date of the Additional Issuance; (b) such Additional Preferred Shares must be issued for a cash sales price (the net sale proceeds to be used to purchase eligible Portfolio Collateral (or, pending such applications, deposited into the Collection Account and held in Eligible Investments)); (c) the terms (other than the date of issuance, the issue price, the date from which dividends will accrue and similar matters) of such Preferred Shares must be identical to the terms of the applicable Class of

Preferred Shares; (d) the Holders of Preferred Shares must be notified in writing 30 days prior to such issuance; (e) the Servicer must consent to such Additional Issuance; and (f) each Initial Purchaser must be notified in writing at least 30 days prior to such issuance.

Any amendment to the Indenture, Issuer's Memorandum of Association and Articles of Association or any other related documents required to provide for or facilitate such Additional Issuance will not require the consent of the Holders of Securities.

#### Prescription

Payment in respect of the Notes will cease to be due if not paid to the Holder due to insufficient instructions for a period of twenty years from the Relevant Date therefor. "**Relevant Date**" means the date on which the final payment in respect of the Notes first becomes due, except that if the full amount of the monies payable has not been duly received by the Paying Agent on or prior to such due date, it means the date on which such monies have been so received.

#### Form, Transfer and Transfer Restrictions

Upon issuance, the Notes of each Class sold to non-U.S. Persons (as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act ("**Regulation S**")) (each, a "**non-U.S. Person**") in Offshore Transactions (as defined in Regulation S) in reliance on Regulation S, initially will be represented by a single, temporary global note in fully registered form without interest coupons (the "**Temporary Regulation S Global Note**"), which in the case of the Notes of each Class, will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee on behalf of The Depository Trust Company ("**DTC**") on behalf of Euroclear Bank, S.A./N.V., as operator of The Euroclear System ("**Euroclear**") and Clearstream Banking, société anonyme ("**Clearstream**").

Subject to the receipt by the Trustee of a certificate in the form provided by the Indenture from the person holding such interest, a beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note may be exchanged for (i) after the 40th day after the later of the conclusion of the offering and the Closing Date (the "**Exchange Date**"), an interest in a permanent global note in fully registered form without coupons (the "**Permanent Regulation S Global Note**" and, together with the Temporary Regulation S Global Note, the "**Regulation S Global Notes**"), in an amount equal to the aggregate principal amount of such interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note or (ii) at any time for an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note (defined below) or, in the case of a Class B-2L Note, a Definitive Note (defined below), if a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note will be transferred to a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is a U.S. Person (defined below), which note will be registered in the name of such person.

Upon deposit of the Permanent Regulation S Global Note of a Class with the Trustee, as custodian for DTC or the common depository, as applicable, Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, will credit each purchaser (or its agent or custodian) with a principal amount of Notes of such Class equal to the principal amount thereof for which it has paid. The Holder of the Regulation S Global Notes (which will be DTC or its nominee, in the case of each Class of Notes) shall be the only person entitled to receive payments in respect of the Notes represented by such Regulation S Global Notes, and the Co-Issuers will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, such Holder of such Regulation S Global Notes in respect of each amount so paid. Each of the persons shown in the records of Euroclear or of Clearstream as the Holder of a particular principal amount of Regulation S Global Notes must look solely to Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, for its share of each payment so made by the Co-Issuers to, or to the order of, the Holder of such Regulation S Global Notes. No person other than the Holder of the Regulation S Global Notes shall have any claim against the Co-Issuers in respect of any payments due on the Regulation S Global Notes.

Payments on the Regulation S Global Notes will be made pursuant to certain procedures established by DTC, *provided* that the final payment of principal and interest will be made upon presentation and endorsement of such Regulation S Global Notes at the office of a Paying Agent.

Definitive fully registered notes ("**Definitive Notes**") will be issued and exchanged for each Permanent Regulation S Global Note within 30 days of the occurrence of any of the following: (i) the Notes or any of them become immediately due and payable following an Event of Default under the Indenture; (ii) either Euroclear or Clearstream is closed for business for a continuous period of 14 days (other than by reason of holiday, statutory or

otherwise) or announces an intention permanently to cease business and no alternative clearance system satisfactory to the Trustee is available; or (iii) as a result of any amendment to, or change in, the laws or regulations of the Cayman Islands or of any authority therein or thereof having power to tax or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations which becomes effective on or after the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers or the Paying Agents are or will be required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Notes which would not be required were the Notes in definitive registered form. Notwithstanding the foregoing, interests in any Temporary Regulation S Global Note or any definitive registered Note purchased by a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction in accordance with Regulation S may not be exchanged for a Definitive Note until receipt by the Trustee from the owner of such beneficial interest of a certificate in the form provided by the Indenture.

Upon issuance, the Notes (other than the Class B-2L Notes) sold in the United States to Qualified Institutional Buyers will be issued in book-entry form ("**Rule 144A Global Notes**") only through the facilities of DTC. So long as DTC or its nominee is the registered Holder of the Rule 144A Global Notes, DTC or such nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the absolute owner or Holder of such the Notes represented by such Rule 144A Global Notes for all purposes under the Indenture and such Notes. DTC or such nominee, as the case may be, will be the only person entitled to receive payments in respect of the Notes represented by such Rule 144A Global Notes and the Co-Issuers will be discharged by payment to DTC or such nominee. Each of the persons shown in the records of DTC as the beneficial owner of a Rule 144A Global Note must look solely to DTC for its share of each payment made by the Issuer to DTC. No person other than DTC shall have any claim against the Co-Issuers in respect of any payment due under the Rule 144A Global Notes.

Payments on the Rule 144A Global Notes will be made in accordance with the established procedures of DTC and the Co-Issuers will have no liability therefor. In addition, no beneficial owner of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will be able to exchange or transfer such interest except in accordance with the applicable procedures of DTC. None of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Registrar or any Paying Agent will have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests in the Rule 144A Global Notes or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating thereto.

Definitive Notes will be issued and exchanged for each Rule 144A Global Note within 30 days of the occurrence of any of the following: (i) the Notes or any of them become immediately due and payable following an Event of Default under the Indenture; or (ii) DTC notifies the Issuer or the Trustee in writing that it is unwilling or unable to discharge properly its responsibilities as a depository with respect to the Rule 144A Global Notes or it ceases to be a "clearing agency" registered under the Exchange Act (defined below), and the Issuer and the Trustee are unable to locate a qualified successor within 90 days after such notice.

Upon issuance, the Class B-2L Notes sold in the United States to Qualified Institutional Buyers who are U.S. Persons will be issued as Definitive Notes.

Definitive Notes may be presented for registration of transfer (with the form of transfer endorsed thereon duly executed), at the office of the Registrar, without service charge but upon payment of any taxes and other governmental charges as described in the Indenture. Any registration of transfer will be effected upon the Trustee being satisfied with the documents of title and identity of the person making the request, upon their receipt of any applicable certificates and opinions relating to transfer restrictions, as described below, and subject to such reasonable regulations as the Issuer may from time to time agree with the Trustee, all as described in the Indenture.

The Issuer has initially appointed the Trustee as Registrar. Definitive Notes may be presented for payment or for transfer or exchange at the offices of the Registrar's agent, Investors Bank & Trust Company, 33 Maiden Lane, 4th Floor, New York, NY 10038, Attention: CDO Services (Rockwall CDO II Ltd.). The Issuer reserves the right to vary or terminate the appointment of the Registrar or to appoint additional or other registrars or to approve any change in the office through which any Registrar acts, *provided* that there will at all times be an office or agent located in New York, New York at which the Definitive Notes may be presented for payment or for transfer or exchange.

For so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of such exchange shall so require, the Issuer will have a listing agent and a paying agent (which shall be the **"Irish Paying Agent"**) for the Notes in Ireland and payments on such Notes may be effected through the Irish Paying Agent. In the event that the Irish Paying Agent is replaced at any time during such period, notice of the appointment of any replacement will be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

A beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note may only be transferred to (a) a non-U.S. Person, who, in the case of the Class B-2L Notes, is also a Qualified Institutional Buyer, in an offshore transaction (as defined in Regulation S) (an **"Offshore Transaction"**) in accordance with Regulation S (and in accordance with certain certification requirements in the Indenture) or (b) after the Exchange Date, a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note or, in the case of the Class B-2L Notes, a Definitive Note, and who delivers a written certification (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that such person is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is acquiring such interest for its own account (together with certain other requirements set forth in the Indenture). Upon any exchange of a portion of a Regulation S Global Note for a Definitive Note, the Trustee shall endorse such Regulation S Global Note to reflect the reduction of the principal amount evidenced thereby.

Definitive Notes (or any interest therein) may only be transferred in accordance with the applicable laws of any state of the United States and (a) in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act involving a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is a U.S. Person as transferee (in accordance with the certification requirements of the Indenture) or (b) to a person who takes delivery in the form of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note and in such case only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that such transfer is being made to a non-U.S. Person, who, in the Class of the Class B-2L Notes, is also a Qualified Institutional Buyer, in accordance with Regulation S. Upon any exchange of a Definitive Note for a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note, the Trustee shall endorse such Regulation S Global Note to reflect the increase in the principal amount evidenced thereby.

The Registrar for the Notes will not be required to accept for registration of transfer any Note except upon presentation of a certificate substantially in the form required by the Indenture representing that these restrictions on transfer have been complied with, and, if requested by the Issuer or the Trustee, an opinion of counsel in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer or the Trustee to the effect that such transfer has been made in compliance with an applicable exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States and any other jurisdiction. See "Delivery of the Notes; Transfer Restrictions; Settlement."

In addition, sales or other transfers of the Notes may only be made to a purchaser or other transferee (excluding any transferee of a Note (other than a Class B-2L Note) who is a non-U.S. Person in an offshore transaction under Regulation S but including any transferee of a Class B-2L Note who is a non-U.S. Person in an offshore transaction under Regulation S) that is a Qualified Purchaser in a sale or transfer that would not require the Co-Issuers to become subject to the requirements of the Investment Company Act and the Notes will bear a legend to this effect. See "Delivery of the Notes; Transfer Restrictions; Settlement."

Each prospective purchaser will be deemed to (i) represent that such prospective purchaser is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is purchasing or acquiring Notes solely for its own account or is a non-U.S. Person, (ii) that it and each account for which it is purchasing is purchasing a Class of Notes in at least the related minimum denomination, (iii) that it is a 'single beneficial owner' for purposes of Section 3(c)(1) of the Investment Company Act and (iv) have made the additional representations described under "Delivery of the Notes; Transfer Restrictions; Settlement." See "Certain ERISA Considerations."

DTC is a limited purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the **"Exchange Act"**). DTC was created to hold securities for its participants (the **"DTC Participants"**) and to facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between DTC Participants through electronic computerized book-entries, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates. DTC Participants include securities brokers and

dealers, banks, trust companies and clearing corporations. Indirect access to the DTC system also is available to others such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a DTC Participant, either directly or indirectly ("**Indirect Participants**").

Unless and until Definitive Notes are issued, all references to actions by Holders of the Rule 144A Global Notes holding through DTC will refer to actions taken by DTC upon instructions received from beneficial owners of the Rule 144A Global Notes through DTC Participants, and all references herein to payments, notices, reports, statements and other information to Holders of Rule 144A Global Notes will refer to payments, notices, reports and statements to DTC or its nominees, as the registered Holder of the Rule 144A Global Notes, for distribution to beneficial owners of Rule 144A Global Notes through DTC Participants in accordance with DTC procedures.

Clearstream is incorporated under the laws of Luxembourg as a professional depository. Clearstream holds securities for its participating organizations ("**Clearstream, Luxembourg Participants**") and facilitates the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between Clearstream, Luxembourg Participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of Clearstream, Luxembourg Participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates. Clearstream provides to its Clearstream, Luxembourg Participants, among other things, services for safekeeping, administration, clearance and settlement of internationally traded securities and securities lending and borrowing. Clearstream interfaces with domestic markets in several countries. As a professional depository, Clearstream is subject to regulation by the Luxembourg Monetary Institute. Clearstream, Luxembourg Participants are recognized financial institutions around the world, including underwriters, securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations and may include the Initial Purchasers. Indirect access to Clearstream is also available to others, such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Clearstream, Luxembourg Participant, either directly or indirectly.

Euroclear was created to hold securities for participants of Euroclear ("**Euroclear Participants**") and to clear and settle transactions between Euroclear Participants through simultaneous electronic book-entry delivery against payment, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates and any risk from lack of simultaneous transfers of securities and cash. Euroclear includes various other services, including securities lending and borrowing and interfaces with domestic markets in several countries generally similar to the arrangements for cross-market transfers with DTC described above. Euroclear is operated by Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. (the "**Euroclear Operator**"), under contract with Euroclear Clearance System, S.C., a Belgian cooperative corporation (the "**Cooperative**"). All operations are conducted by the Euroclear Operator, and all Euroclear securities clearance accounts and Euroclear cash accounts are accounts with the Euroclear Operator, not the Cooperative. The Cooperative establishes policy for Euroclear on behalf of Euroclear Participants. Euroclear Participants include banks (including central banks), securities brokers and dealers and other professional financial intermediaries and may include the Initial Purchasers. Indirect access to Euroclear is also available to other firms that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Euroclear Participant, either directly or indirectly.

The Euroclear Operator is the Belgian branch of a New York banking corporation which is a member bank of the Federal Reserve System. As such, it is regulated and examined by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the New York State Banking Department, as well as the Belgian Banking Commission.

Securities clearance accounts and cash accounts with the Euroclear Operator are governed by the Terms and Conditions Governing Use of Euroclear and the related Operating Procedures of Euroclear and applicable Belgian law (collectively, the "**Terms and Conditions**"). The Terms and Conditions govern transfers of securities and cash within Euroclear, withdrawal of securities and cash from Euroclear, and receipts of payments with respect to securities in Euroclear. All securities in Euroclear are held on a fungible basis without attribution of specific certificates to specific securities clearance accounts. The Euroclear Operator acts under the Terms and Conditions only on behalf of Euroclear Participants and has no record of or relationship with persons holding through Euroclear Participants.

#### Option to Acquire Bond Insurance

The Indenture will provide that Holders of any Class of Notes may elect to acquire bond insurance, a surety bond or similar credit enhancement supporting the payment of principal and/or interest on such Class of Notes, on terms and conditions acceptable to such Holders. Any Class of Notes subject to such enhancement will be



designated as "**Insured Notes**" of such Class. Premiums for any such enhancement will be payable from amounts otherwise payable to such Class of Insured Notes or in such other manner chosen by such Holder. Any Insured Notes of a Class for substantially all other purposes will be treated as Notes of such Class, except that the issuer of the bond insurance policy, surety bond or other such credit enhancement will generally be deemed to be the Holder of the Notes of such Class enhanced by such entity and will in such capacity be entitled to exercise the rights otherwise exercisable by Holders of such Notes.

## **SECURITY FOR THE NOTES**

The Notes will be secured by the Trust Estate. The Trust Estate will consist of substantially all property of the Issuer, including the Portfolio Collateral, any Hedge Agreements, the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Closing Expense Account.

### Portfolio Collateral—General

The Portfolio Collateral (including Original Portfolio Collateral, Additional Portfolio Collateral and Substitute Portfolio Collateral) when purchased (or when committed to be purchased) by the Issuer, will consist of (I) United States dollar denominated commercial loans in registered form, including participation and assignment interests therein, collateralized loan obligations, including synthetic securities, of any corporation, partnership, limited liability company or trust, of the United States government or any agency or instrumentality thereof or of other sovereign issuers, which obligations:

- (a) are "eligible assets" as defined in Rule 3a-7;
- (b) except as described below, provide for periodic payments of interest thereon in cash no less frequently than semiannually;
- (c) provide for a fixed amount of principal to be payable according to a fixed schedule or at maturity;
- (d) are not items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, items of Equity Portfolio Collateral, a margin stock, or items of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral;
- (e) except as described below, are not zero-coupon bonds, bonds that provide for a combination of no coupon and a fixed coupon, step-up bonds (except for step-up bonds providing for the payment of current interest at a rate no less than 5% *per annum* or Collateral LIBOR, if floating rate), other than with respect to the Initial Portfolio Collateral on the Closing Date, Partial Deferred Interest Bonds (except for such bonds providing for the payment of current interest at a rate no less than 5% *per annum* or Collateral LIBOR, if floating rate);
- (f) are not currently the subject of an Offer that would result in (i) the Issuer owning a security not meeting the requirements of Portfolio Collateral, not paying current interest, or, in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, not expected to pay in full at maturity, or (ii) the Issuer receiving Eligible Investments or cash in a par amount less than that of the original security or the subject of an Exchange Offer;
- (g) do not provide for conversion or exchange into equity capital at any time over their respective lives (other than the exercise of any warrant, profit participation or other equity-like interest which is a component of a Unit);
- (h) with respect to Portfolio Collateral which consists of Floating Rate Collateral, have an interest rate which adjusts periodically in accordance with changes in one or more established indices at least one of which is the London interbank offered rate for one-, two-, three- or six-month U.S. dollar deposits and which adjusts at least semiannually or, with respect to items of Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral, have an interest rate that remains constant until the maturity of such obligations or are Reset Debt Securities; *provided* that not more than 5.0% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate may include items of Portfolio Collateral the interest rate on which adjusts in accordance with one or more indices that do not include the London interbank offered rate for one-, two-, three-, or six-month U.S. dollar deposits;

(i) have coupon or other payments (other than commitment fees, facility fees or other similar fees) that are not subject to U.S. withholding tax and are not at time of purchase subject to foreign withholding tax unless the issuer of the security is required to make "gross-up" payments sufficient to cause the net amount to be received on the debt obligations to equal the amount that would have been paid had no such withholding tax applied;

(j) mature on or before August 1, 2024 or, if a Maturity Extension as occurred, the then applicable Extended Final Maturity Date, except that up to 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may mature after such date but before 5 years after such date; *provided* that, with respect to Portfolio Loans, no more than 3% of the Aggregate Par Amount may mature after August 1, 2024 or, if a Maturity Extension as occurred, the then applicable Extended Final Maturity Date, but before two years after such date and no Portfolio Loans may mature after two years after such date;

(k) the terms of which do not, unless they are Delayed Drawdown Loans or Revolving Loans, require the Holder to assume or otherwise undertake any funding obligations or liabilities (of a contingent nature or otherwise);

(l) are payable only in United States dollars;

(m) are not Current Pay Obligations;

(n) are not Debt Securities;

(o) the S&P Rating of which does not include a subscript of "r", "t", "p", "pi" or "q" unless otherwise agreed to by Standard & Poor's in writing and a Moody's Rating that addresses the full amount of principal or interest indicated would be paid;

(p) during the Revolving Period, CLO Securities having a Moody's Rating of "Ba2" or higher and an S&P Rating of "BB" or higher and, after the Revolving Period are not CLO Securities;

(q) are not obligations of Non-U.S. Obligor;

(r) are not PIK Bonds which are currently deferring interest payments or receiving payments in-kind pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instrument; and

(s) satisfy, together with the other Portfolio Collateral to be concurrently included in the Trust Estate, the other applicable criteria set forth in the Indenture, including the ratings guidelines and guidelines concerning issuer concentration and industry concentration described below; or

(II) Synthetic Securities (as described herein); *provided* that the Servicer concludes, based on advice of counsel, that the Synthetic Securities are "eligible assets" for purposes of Rule 3a-7.

Interests in commercial loans included in the Portfolio Collateral are referred to herein as "**Portfolio Loans**," and interests in collateralized loan obligations in the Portfolio Collateral are referred to herein as "**CLO Securities**." The Issuer may invest in participations ("**Participations**") in Portfolio Loans, or purchase assignments ("**Assignments**") of portions of Portfolio Loans.

In addition, up to 20% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of Synthetic Securities. The purchase of Synthetic Securities may involve certain additional risks not present in the purchase of other Portfolio Collateral. See "Special Considerations—Nature of Collateral Pledged to Secure the Notes; Ability to Obtain Additional Portfolio Collateral; Availability of Funds for Subordinate Payments" For purposes of the eligibility criteria and related tests, a Synthetic Security will generally be included as an item of Portfolio Collateral having the maturity, interest rate and other payment characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the Reference Obligation (including characterization as either an item of Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral or Floating Rate Collateral) and, with respect to all other characteristics, will be included as an item of Portfolio Collateral having the relevant characteristics of the related Reference Obligation and not of the Synthetic Security.

Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, in no event may the Issuer acquire or dispose of any item of Portfolio Collateral or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Issuer or the Servicer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase an item of Portfolio Collateral to be included in the Trust Estate and at the time of such commitment such item of Portfolio Collateral complied with the definition of Portfolio Collateral, then the Issuer or Servicer may consummate the purchase of such item of Portfolio Collateral notwithstanding that such item of Portfolio Collateral fails to comply with the definition of Portfolio Collateral on the date of settlement.

The Servicer may only direct the Trustee to sell an item of Portfolio Collateral that is the subject of an Offer or call for redemption, if together with its direction to sell such security, the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that the sales price for such Security is equal to or greater than 1% of the price available pursuant to such Offer or call and such sale will be treated as if the Offer or call were consummated for purposes of determining the Collections for the Due Period relating to the date on which such sale occurs.

The manner and timing for any purchase or sale of any item of Portfolio Collateral and the determination of when any such purchase or sale becomes effective for purposes of any calculations of the Overcollateralization Tests or other collateral criteria shall be set forth in the Indenture.

If an item of Portfolio Collateral becomes subject to an Exchange Offer after it has been purchased by the Issuer, the Servicer will be permitted to take such action with respect to the Underlying Instrument or the issuer thereof as may be required to convert such item of Portfolio Collateral into an item of Equity Portfolio Collateral.

Simultaneously with the issuance of the Notes, an Aggregate Principal Amount of Initial Portfolio Collateral securing the Notes at least equal to the Initial Portfolio Collateral Amount will be acquired or committed to be acquired by the Issuer from the net proceeds of the sale of the Notes, the Combination Notes and the Preferred Shares. The Issuer will also pledge the Deposit (consisting of cash deposited in the Initial Deposit Account in the approximate amount that, when added to the Initial Portfolio Amount, would allow the Issuer to purchase or commit to purchase an Aggregate Principal Amount of Original Portfolio Collateral on or before November 1, 2007 (the "**Effective Date**"), at least equal the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount) to the Trustee on the Closing Date, which Deposit will be used to purchase Eligible Investments at the direction of the Issuer pending application to purchase or commit to purchase Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date, subject to the requirements and restrictions set forth in the Indenture. A portion of the Initial Portfolio Collateral, and the remaining Portfolio Collateral may be, acquired from or through Bear Stearns, the Servicer or their affiliates, at negotiated prices acceptable to the Issuer and the Servicer or if purchased from the Servicer or its affiliates at prices determined in accordance with the procedures described under "Special Considerations—Potential Conflicts of Interest."

The Issuer and the Servicer will seek to use the Deposit to purchase additional Original Portfolio Collateral prior to the Effective Date in accordance with the guidelines described herein and in the Indenture. If the Issuer and the Servicer are unable to use or commit to use the full amount of the Deposit on or prior to the Effective Date to purchase additional Original Portfolio Collateral having an Aggregate Principal Amount (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to the Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date) at least equal to the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount, the Issuer will be required to effect an Initial Deposit Redemption on the Initial Deposit Redemption Date as described herein except, if the amount of the Deposit not so used or committed does not exceed U.S.\$2,000,000 in the aggregate, such amount will be transferred to the Collection Account as Collateral Principal Collections on the Effective Date.

If a Suspension Trigger Event is in effect, a Majority of the Controlling Class may deliver notice to the Issuer directing the Issuer and the Servicer to suspend any purchases of additional items for inclusion in the Trust Estate as an item of Portfolio Collateral. Such suspension shall automatically terminate once a Suspension Trigger Event is no longer in effect.

### Criteria for Purchase and Substitution of Collateral

The Issuer's entry into a commitment to purchase any additional collateralized loan obligations, synthetic securities and commercial loans after the Effective Date (each, an item of "**Additional Portfolio Collateral**") with Available Funds is subject to the limitations described under "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral" and further is subject in each case to the following restrictions: (i) each of the Overcollateralization Tests is satisfied (*provided* that unscheduled principal proceeds may be used to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral even if such tests are not satisfied, so long as the results of such tests would not be diminished) and (ii) the collateral criteria specified below are satisfied or the degree of compliance with such collateral criteria would not be diminished. In addition, during the Amortization Period, Collateral Principal Collections from any unscheduled prepayment may be used to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral as described and meeting the requirements herein. The Issuer's entry into a commitment to purchase any substitute collateralized loan obligations, synthetic securities and commercial loans (each, an item of "**Substitute Portfolio Collateral**") with Collateral Disposition Proceeds during the Revolving Period is subject in each case to the following restrictions: (i) the Overcollateralization Tests and the collateral criteria specified herein are satisfied and the Interest Coverage Test (after the second Payment Date) for the most recent Payment Date was satisfied or (ii) if the Overcollateralization Tests and the collateral criteria specified below are not satisfied, the degree of compliance with such tests or criteria would not be diminished. In connection with a sale of an item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral after the Revolving Period or the receipt of Collateral Principal Collections in connection with an unscheduled prepayment after the Revolving Period, the Issuer may enter into commitments to apply such net disposition proceeds or such unscheduled prepayments (net of accrued interest and costs) to the purchase of Portfolio Loans either as Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral. Substitute Portfolio Collateral may not be purchased with Collateral Disposition Proceeds from the sale of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral unless, after giving effect to such purchase, each of the Overcollateralization Tests is satisfied and the Interest Coverage Test for the most recent Payment Date was satisfied. Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral consisting of CLO Securities may not be purchased with Available Funds during the period from the August 2011 Payment Date through the August 2012 Payment Date unless each of the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio and the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Ratio are at least equal to their respective levels as of the Effective Date. The Issuer is not required, and may not be permitted under certain circumstances, to purchase or sell Portfolio Collateral and the rules described above are limited as set forth below under "—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral."

Notwithstanding the forgoing, if there is no appointment of a successor Servicer within 90 days after the resignation or termination of the Servicer, any sales or disposition of Portfolio Collateral shall be limited to Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral; *provided* that such restriction on the sale or disposition of Portfolio Collateral shall not apply if the Portfolio Collateral is being liquidated in whole or in part in connection with an acceleration or early termination of the Notes.

### S&P CDO Monitor Test

The "**S&P CDO Monitor Test**" will be satisfied if, after giving effect to the purchase or sale of an item of Portfolio Collateral (or both), as the case may be, (i) the S&P Loss Differential (defined below) of the Proposed Portfolio (defined below) is positive or (ii) the S&P Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is greater than the S&P Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio (defined below). The S&P CDO Monitor Test is not applicable and does not have to be satisfied or maintained when reinvesting the proceeds of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral or Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral.

The "**S&P Loss Differential**" at any time, is the rate calculated by subtracting the S&P Scenario Default Rate (defined below) from the S&P Break-Even Default Rate (defined below) at such time.

The "**S&P Scenario Default Rate**" at any time, is an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, consistent with a "AAA" rating by S&P with respect to the Class A-1L Notes, a "AA" rating by S&P with respect to the Class A-2L Notes, a "A" rating by S&P with respect to the Class A-3L Notes, a "BBB" rating by S&P with respect to the Class B-1L Notes and a "BB" rating by S&P with respect to the Class B-2L Notes, determined by application of the S&P CDO Monitor (defined below) at such time.

The "**S&P Break-Even Default Rate**" at any time, is the maximum percentage of defaults which the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, can sustain, as determined by S&P through application of the S&P CDO Monitor which, after giving effect to S&P's assumptions on recoveries and timing and to the priority of payments, will result in sufficient funds remaining for the principal repayment of the Notes in full and the timely payment, as applicable, of interest on each Class of Notes as set forth in the Indenture.

The "**Current Portfolio**" means the Pledged Securities in the Trust Estate immediately prior to the sale, maturity or other disposition of an item of Portfolio Collateral or immediately prior to the acquisition of an item of Portfolio Collateral, as the case may be.

The "**Proposed Portfolio**" means the Aggregate Par Amount resulting from the sale, maturity or other disposition of an item of Portfolio Collateral or a proposed purchase of an item of Portfolio Collateral, as the case may be.

The "**S&P CDO Monitor**" is a dynamic, analytical computer model developed by S&P and used to estimate default risk of items of Portfolio Collateral and provided to the Servicer and the Issuer on or before the Closing Date, as it may be modified by S&P from time to time in connection with its confirmation of the ratings of the Notes following the Closing Date. The S&P CDO Monitor calculates the cumulative default rate of a pool of Portfolio Collateral consistent with a specified benchmark rating level based upon S&P's proprietary corporate debt default studies. In calculating the S&P Scenario Default Rate, the S&P CDO Monitor considers each obligor's most senior unsecured debt rating, the number of obligors in the portfolio, the obligor and industry concentration in the portfolio and the remaining weighted average maturity of the Portfolio Collateral and calculates a cumulative default rate based on the statistical probability of distributions of defaults on the Portfolio Collateral.

#### Moody's Asset Correlation Test and Weighted Average Rating Test

The Moody's Asset Correlation Test and weighted average rating of the Portfolio Collateral will be calculated in accordance with the methodology prescribed by Moody's and more fully described in the Indenture. The MAC Test and "**Weighted Average Rating Test**" will be satisfied in accordance with the application of the Collateral Quality Matrix described below.

The Moody's Asset Correlation ("**MAC**") Test (the "**MAC Test**") will be satisfied on each Measurement Date if the Moody's Correlation Factor on such Measurement Date (rounded up to the nearest whole number) is equal to or less than the designated Moody's Correlation Factor determined by application of the Collateral Quality Matrix. In connection with the MAC Test, the Moody's Correlation Factor is a single number determined in accordance with the correlation methodology provided to the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator by Moody's.

#### Collateral Quality Matrix Tests

Under the Indenture, the Servicer will be permitted to select from a table (that will be included in the Indenture, the "**Collateral Quality Matrix**"), a different group of thresholds for satisfying or otherwise determining the following tests:

- the Moody's Asset Correlation Test;
- the Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test;
- the Weighted Average Rating Test; and
- the Weighted Average Margin Test.

Therefore, notwithstanding anything to the contrary described herein, after giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, the minimum/maximum amounts required to satisfy each of such tests may vary from time to time. In determining whether the criteria set forth in the Collateral Quality Matrix are satisfied, the Servicer may use the Collateral Quality Formula (as set forth in the Indenture) to interpolate between values of such criteria or may use any other method that is agreed to by the Issuer and Moody's. Depending on the

combination of thresholds in the Collateral Quality Matrix selected by the Servicer at any time, except as described below, the maximum required MAC Test can range from 3.0% to 5.5%; the maximum permitted weighted average rating factor prescribed by Moody's can range from 1500 to 2500; the minimum required average recovery rate prescribed by Moody's can range from 36.5% to 46.0% and the minimum Weighted Average Margin can range from 1.60% to 3.05%.

Each group of minimum/maximum amounts included in the Collateral Quality Matrix will include a combination of the minimum/maximum scores that are required to satisfy each of the Collateral Quality Matrix Tests. The Servicer may elect from time to time to have different combinations apply so long as (a) immediately after giving effect to the change in combinations, each of the applicable tests will be satisfied or not diminished and (b) the S&P CDO Monitor Test would have been satisfied as of the date of the most recent purchase or sale of an item of Portfolio Collateral had such test been calculated using the Current Portfolio, the Proposed Portfolio, and the S&P Scenario Default Rate that was in effect immediately prior to such purchase or sale, but using the S&P Break-Even Default Rate applicable to the Notes that would have been applicable after giving effect to the change in combinations. In no event will the Servicer be obligated to change the combinations contemplated by the Collateral Quality Matrix. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the combination of scores required to satisfy each of the Collateral Quality Matrix Tests may be changed if the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to such change and, as a result, the minimum/maximum amounts may change as well.

#### Weighted Average Margin Test

The "**Weighted Average Margin Test**" will be determined by application of the Collateral Quality Matrix described above, after giving effect to any Coupon Adjustment.

The "**Weighted Average Margin**" refers to the amount (rounded up to the nearest 0.001%) equal to (i) the sum of the products obtained by *multiplying* the margin over Collateral LIBOR on each item of Floating Rate Collateral (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) as of the date of calculation (which will be determined for items of Floating Rate Collateral that do not bear interest based on Collateral LIBOR by expressing the current interest rate on such Floating Rate Collateral as a margin above or below three-month LIBOR on the date of determination, which margin will be expressed as a negative number if such current interest rate is lower than three-month LIBOR) by the Principal Balance of such item of Floating Rate Collateral (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) as of such date, *divided* by (ii) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all such Floating Rate Collateral (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) on such date.

For purposes of calculating the Weighted Average Margin for any Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Bank Loan, the principal balance representing the funded portion will be *multiplied* by the margin above Collateral LIBOR and the principal balance representing the unfunded portion will be *multiplied* by the commitment fee related thereto.

If an item of Floating Rate Collateral does not provide for Collateral LIBOR, the margin for this purpose shall be equal to the then applicable interest rate *minus* then current LIBOR. If an item of Floating Rate Collateral has a Collateral LIBOR floor, the excess of such floor rate over Collateral LIBOR will be added to the margin above Collateral LIBOR for purposes of calculating the Weighted Average Margin of such item of Floating Rate Collateral.

#### Weighted Average Coupon Test

The "**Weighted Average Coupon Test**" will be satisfied if, after the Effective Date, the Weighted Average Coupon of the Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral is at least equal to 7.5% *per annum* as of the date of determination (or such lower *per annum* rate that the Rating Agencies have confirmed would not result in a withdrawal or downgrade of any of the then current ratings assigned by them to the Notes).

The "**Weighted Average Coupon**" refers to the amount (rounded up to the nearest 0.001%) determined by summing the products obtained by *multiplying*, for each item of Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral then included in the Trust Estate (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral), the Principal Balance of such item of Portfolio Collateral and the stated rate of interest of such item of Portfolio Collateral and then *dividing* such sum by the Aggregate Principal Amount of all of the Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) as of such date of determination.

Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test. The Minimum Average Recovery Rate will be calculated in accordance with the methodology prescribed by Moody's and S&P and more fully described in the Indenture. The "**Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test**" with respect to Moody's, will be determined by application of the Collateral Quality Matrix described above and with respect to S&P, will be determined as set forth in the Indenture.

Weighted Average Life Requirement. The "**Weighted Average Life Requirement**" will be satisfied on any date of determination if the Weighted Average Life on such date of all items of Portfolio Collateral is equal to or less than the number of years set forth in Schedule I to the Indenture opposite the period set forth in Schedule I to the Indenture in which such requirement is being measured or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Weighted Average Life may vary from the restrictions set forth in the Indenture if the Rating Agencies have confirmed such variance would not result in a withdrawal or downgrade of any of the then current ratings assigned by them to the Notes.

The "**Weighted Average Life**" refers to the amount determined by summing the products obtained by *multiplying*, for each item of Portfolio Collateral (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) then included in the Trust Estate, the Principal Balance of such item of Portfolio Collateral and the Average Life (as such term is defined below) of such item of Portfolio Collateral as of such date of determination and then *dividing* such sum by the Aggregate Principal Amount of all of the Portfolio Collateral (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and Current Pay Obligations) included in the Trust Estate as of such date of determination. For any item of Portfolio Collateral, the "Average Life" shall be equal to the number of years obtained by *dividing* (a) the Principal Balance of such item of Portfolio Collateral into (b) the sum of the products obtained by *multiplying* (i) the amount of each of the remaining, required principal payments on such item of Portfolio Collateral by (ii) the number of years (calculated to the nearest one-twelfth) that will have elapsed between such date of determination and the making of such payment.

Rating. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral: (i) at least 90% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate must be obligations of issuers having at least one class of indebtedness actually rated by Moody's (either publicly or privately) and (ii) at least 90% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate must be obligations of issuers having at least one class of indebtedness actually rated by S&P (either publicly or privately).

CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral Limitation. The proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral may not increase the Aggregate Principal Amount of CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate to more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount; *provided* that the Issuer may purchase CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral which would increase the Aggregate Principal Amount of CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate above 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount with the proceeds of CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral; and *provided further* that no CLO Securities may be included in the determination of this CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral Limitation.

Limitation on Non-U.S. Debt. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral,

(a) not more than 10% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligors;

(b) not more than 10% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligors in any single Group A Country;

(c) not more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount included may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligors in all Group B Countries;

(d) not more than 2% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligors in any single Group B Country;

(e) not more than 2.5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligors in all jurisdictions that are not Group A Countries or Group B Countries; and

(f) not more than 1% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor in any single jurisdiction that is not a Group A Country or Group B Country.

Issuer Limitation. (i) After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Loan, no more than 1.5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may represent obligations of any single obligor, *provided* that obligations of not more than five obligors of Portfolio Loans may represent no more than 2% of the Aggregate Par Amount and (ii) after giving effect to the proposed purchase of any CLO Security, no more than 2.75% of the Aggregate Par Amount may represent obligations of any single obligor.

Industry Category Concentration. (i) No more than 8% of the Aggregate Par Amount is in any one Standard & Poor's Industry Category; *provided, however*, in the case of three (3) Standard & Poor's Industry Categories, 12% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Collateral that are obligations of obligors in any one Standard & Poor's Industry Category, and (ii) no more than 32% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Collateral that are obligations of obligors in any three Standard & Poor's Industry Categories.

Limitation on Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, no more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may bear interest at a fixed rate.

Limitation on Portfolio Loans. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral,

(a) at least 65% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate must be Portfolio Loans (including Synthetic Securities, the Reference Obligations of which are loans); and

(b) not more than 10% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate may be Portfolio Loans that are not Senior Secured Loans (including Synthetic Securities, the Reference Obligations of which are loans).

Limitation on CLO Securities. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral,

(a) not more than 35% of the Aggregate Par Amount may be CLO Securities;

(b) not more than 10% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of CLO Securities that have a Moody's Rating below "Baa3" or an S&P Rating below "BBB-", *provided* that not more than 2% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of a single CLO Security with such ratings; *provided further* that not more than 2.75% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of a single CLO Security having a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" or above or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" or above;

(c) not more than 4% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of CLO Securities of a single manager which shall not be any of the Servicer Entities;

(d) not more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of CLO Securities managed by any of the Servicer Entities; *provided* that not more than 1.5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of CLO Securities of a single issuer serviced or managed by the Servicer; and

(e) no more than 3% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of PAUG Synthetic Securities;

*provided*, that no CLO Securities may be purchased after August 1, 2012, unless an Extension shall occur in which case CLO Securities may be purchased during the full period of such Extension in accordance with all the criteria and restrictions provided herein that are applicable during the Revolving Period.

Limitations on Step-Up Bonds. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, no more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may include step-up bonds.

Limitation on Semiannual Portfolio Collateral. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, no more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may include items of Portfolio Collateral that provide for the periodic payment in cash of interest less frequently than quarterly, but not less frequently than semiannually.



Limitation on Participations, Synthetic Securities and Non-U.S. Portfolio Loans. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Substitute Portfolio Collateral or Additional Portfolio Collateral, no more than 20% of the Aggregate Par Amount may be Participations, Synthetic Securities, Securities Lending Agreements or Portfolio Loans that are obligations of non-U.S. entities which are not in a Group A Country. Further, no Participation may be purchased from any Selling Institution (including for this purpose the seller of any participation and the seller of any sub-participation) rated below "A" by S&P or "A2" by Moody's. In addition, the table below generally describes limitations on (i) the percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount which consist of Synthetic Securities related to the long-term debt rating of the Synthetic Security Counterparty, (ii) the percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount which consists of Participations related to the long-term debt rating of the related Selling Institution, and (iii) the limitations on the percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount which consists of Participations and Synthetic Securities in the aggregate related to the long-term debt rating of the Selling Institution or Synthetic Security Counterparty, as the case may be.

<u>Rating (S&amp;P/Moody's)</u>	<u>Individual Synthetic Security Counterparty Limit</u>	<u>Individual Participation Selling Institution Limit</u>	<u>Aggregate Synthetic Security Counterparty and Participation Selling Institution Limit</u>	<u>Securities Lending Counterparty</u>
AAA/Aaa	20%	20%	20%	20%
AA+/Aa1	10%	10%	20%	10%
AA/Aa2	10%	10%	17.5%	10%
AA-/Aa3	10%	10%	15%	10%
A+/A1	5%	5%	10%	5%
A/A2	5%	5%	7.5%	5%

*provided*, that no more than 3% of the Aggregate Par Amount may be Synthetic Securities consisting of Default Swaps. For purposes of the foregoing, the limitations shall be calculated separately for each of Standard & Poor's and Moody's and each such limitation must be satisfied.

Original Issue Size. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, at least 80% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate will be Portfolio Loans and CLO Securities that are part of a senior credit facility whose aggregate original principal amount (whether or not funded and including all tranches thereunder) is not less than U.S.\$100,000,000. No item of Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate will be CLO Securities that are part of an issuer's aggregate issuance whose aggregate original principal amount (including all tranches thereunder) is less than U.S.\$100,000,000. No item of Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate will be Portfolio Loans that are part of a senior credit facility whose aggregate original principal amount (whether or not funded and including all tranches thereunder) is less than \$50,000,000.

Delayed Drawdown Loans and Revolving Loans. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, no more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of Delayed Drawdown Loans and no more than 7.5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of Revolving Loans; *provided* that no more than 10% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of Delayed Drawdown Loans and Revolving Loans in the aggregate.

A Delayed Drawdown Loan will not be eligible for purchase by the Issuer for inclusion in the Trust Estate unless the agreement or instrument that governs the rights and obligations of the related borrower and lender or lenders provides (i) that advances may be made for a period not to exceed one (1) year from the date of origination

of the Delayed Drawdown Loan and in any event before the end of the Revolving Period; (ii) for a maximum amount that can be borrowed from the Issuer on one or more specified borrowing dates; (iii) that funds borrowed from the Issuer and subsequently repaid may not be reborrowed and (iv) that the borrower is entitled to such additional advances only upon the achievement of financial performance or other objective criteria established at origination and set forth in such credit agreement.

In addition, simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of any Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan, the Issuer is required to deposit into the Loan Funding Account the full amount of any advances or delayed draws that may be required of the Issuer thereunder and principal repaid under any Revolving Loan is required to be deposited in the Loan Funding Account to the extent the Issuer's obligation to fund any future advances has not been irrevocably reduced.

Debtor-in-Possession Financings. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, no more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of DIP Loans. Any such items of Portfolio Collateral must be assigned a formal or estimated rating by Moody's and S&P.

Collateral Obligations Loaned under Securities Lending Agreements. No more than 20% of the Aggregate Par Amount may include Portfolio Collateral subject to any Securities Lending Agreement as set forth in the Indenture.

PIK Bonds. No more than 35% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of PIK Bonds.

No Event of Default. No Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing.

#### Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral

The Portfolio Collateral may be retired prior to their respective final maturities, as a result of, among other things, the existence and frequency of exercise of any optional or mandatory redemption features of such securities. Subject to the terms of the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture, the Servicer is also permitted to direct the Trustee to sell (i) any Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and (ii) any Equity Portfolio Collateral.

In addition, subject to the terms of the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture, including the restrictions described herein, the Servicer may, at any time during the life of the Notes, direct the Trustee to dispose of one or more items of Portfolio Collateral in cases where (i) an item of Portfolio Collateral is, in the Servicer's sole judgment (which judgment shall not be questioned as a result of subsequent events), likely to decline in credit quality and, with the passage of time, become an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral; *provided*, that in forming such judgment an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases of such judgment ("**Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral**") or (ii) an item of Portfolio Collateral has, in the Servicer's sole judgment, improved in credit quality or otherwise satisfies the Credit Improved Criteria (subject to the proviso thereof); *provided*, that in forming such judgment a reduction in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases of such judgment ("**Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral**"). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary stated herein, if any item of Portfolio Collateral is to be purchased with the Collateral Disposition Proceeds of one or more assets that are not Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, Portfolio Collateral sold pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange or Portfolio Collateral that has become subject to withholding tax, the purchase of the proposed item of Portfolio Collateral must (i) restore compliance with the collateral criteria described above, the Interest Coverage Test or the Overcollateralization Tests (or bring the total Portfolio Collateral closer to compliance with any such test or limitation) not then satisfied or (ii) on a net basis improve the quality of the Portfolio Collateral as measured by such collateral criteria, Interest Coverage Test or Overcollateralization Tests and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii) without causing any other collateral criteria, Interest Coverage Test or Overcollateralization Test to be violated or significantly increase the likelihood of such violation in the future.

In determining whether any Portfolio Collateral is likely to decline in credit quality and, with the passage of time become Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, the Servicer may, in its sole judgment, consider any relevant factor, including (without limitation) whether any of the Credit Risk Criteria exist. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the

existence or absence of any particular factor shall not require or prevent the Servicer's determination that any Portfolio Collateral is likely to decline in credit quality and, with the passage of time, become Defaulted Portfolio Collateral; *provided* that in forming such determination an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral may only be used as corroboration of other bases for such determination. Substitute Portfolio Collateral may not be purchased with Collateral Disposition Proceeds from the sale of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral unless, after giving effect to such purchase, each of the Overcollateralization Tests is satisfied and the Interest Coverage Test for the most recent Payment Date was satisfied.

In determining whether any Portfolio Collateral meets the definition of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, the Servicer may, in its sole judgment, consider any relevant factor, including (without limitation) whether any of the Credit Improved Criteria exist. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the existence or absence of any particular factor shall not require or prevent the Servicer's determination that any Portfolio Collateral has a market price that is greater than the price that is warranted by its terms and credit characteristics; *provided*, that in forming such judgment a reduction in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral may only be utilized as corroboration or other bases for such judgment.

Subject to the Sale Restriction Condition, Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral may be sold at any time. Following any sale of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral as described below, at the direction of the Servicer during the Revolving Period, the Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase additional Portfolio Collateral (to the extent the purchase is in the best interest of the Issuer) with an Aggregate Principal Amount at least equal to the sale proceeds received by the Issuer with respect to the Portfolio Collateral sold. For this purpose, the Aggregate Principal Amount or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount. In connection with a sale of an item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral during the Revolving Period, the Servicer (x) is required to identify in writing before the sale one or more specific manners in which it will be able, in accordance with the requirements of the Indenture, to cause the Issuer to apply the Collateral Disposition Proceeds of such sale (net of accrued interest and costs) to the purchase of Substitute Portfolio Collateral having an Aggregate Principal Amount equal to or greater than the Principal Balance of such item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral by the end of the immediately succeeding Due Period (it being understood that such identification shall not be considered a requirement or an assurance that any specific purchase will be consummated) and (y) is required to certify that it reasonably believes at the time of such sale that, after giving effect to such sale and subsequent purchase, either (i) the Overcollateralization Tests and all other criteria for the purchase of Portfolio Collateral are satisfied or (ii) if one or more of such tests or criteria is not satisfied, the degree of compliance with such test or criteria would not be diminished. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any Portfolio Collateral may also be sold upon the advice of an opinion of counsel that such item of Portfolio Collateral is, or may become, subject to a withholding or other similar tax. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary stated herein, the Servicer may direct the sale of an item of Portfolio Collateral that was CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral or Discount Portfolio Collateral at the time of purchase only if it constitutes Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral or Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, is sold in connection with the Optional Redemption of Notes in whole or if the Servicer reasonably expects that the sale and any related purchase of Substitute Portfolio Collateral will restore compliance with any of the Interest Coverage Test, the collateral criteria described above or the Overcollateralization Tests that would be failed or not satisfied in the absence of such sale and purchase.

During any period after the first Due Period (x) with respect to sales of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, if the rating of the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes or the Class A-2L Notes has been downgraded at least one rating sub-category by Moody's (and has not been restored) or the rating of any of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes or the Class B-2L Notes has been downgraded by at least two rating sub-categories by Moody's (and has not been restored to a rating no more than one rating sub-category below the original rating of such Class of Notes), or if the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio is less than 90% of the Class A Overcollateralization Percentage, or (y) with respect to sales of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, if the rating of the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes or the Class A-2L Notes has been downgraded at least one rating sub-category by Moody's (and has not been restored) or the rating of any of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes or the Class B-2L Notes has been downgraded by at least two rating sub-categories by Moody's (and has not been restored to a rating no more than one rating sub-category below the original rating of such Class of Notes) (each applicable condition described in clauses (x) and (y), a "**Sale Restriction Condition**"), the Issuer is required to send a notice to the Trustee and the Holders of the Notes to the effect that for so long as the applicable Sale Restriction Condition

exists, unless the Holders of at least 60% in Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes elect to retain the guidelines in effect on the Closing Date for sales of an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral or Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, as applicable, (i) no item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral may be sold unless (A) the rating of the obligor or of any debt or securities issued by the obligor under such an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral has been lowered, withdrawn or put on any "credit watch" list (or similar list) with negative implications by S&P, Moody's or Fitch, or (B) such an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral satisfies the Credit Risk Criteria and not objected to by the Holders of more than 60% in Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes within forty-five (45) days of the date of such notice; *provided* that in making such determination to sell an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral may only be used as corroboration of other bases for such determination or (ii) no item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral may be sold unless such item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral satisfies the Credit Improved Criteria and not objected to by the Holders of more than 60% in Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes within forty-five (45) days of the date of such notice; *provided*, that in making such determination to sell such item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, a reduction in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral may only be utilized as corroboration or other bases for such judgment.

During the Due Periods relating to the Revolving Period, and under certain circumstances during the Amortization Period as described below, certain Collections identified above under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions" will be used to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral as described below subject to satisfaction or, in certain cases, maintenance of the Overcollateralization Tests and the collateral criteria described herein and satisfaction of the Interest Coverage Test (after the second Payment Date) for the most recent Payment Date as more specifically set forth in the Indenture.

During any period when certain Collections are to be used to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral, the Servicer generally will have the authority to commit to a purchase of such Additional Portfolio Collateral upon the receipt (actual or scheduled) in the Collection Account of Collections of an amount at least equal to the Periodic Reserve Amount with respect to the relevant Payment Date. For purposes of this calculation, Collections will be deemed to include, as of any date of determination, the sum of 100% of all cash collections actually received in respect of the Portfolio Collateral as of such date of determination and 100% of all distributions scheduled or otherwise reasonably expected to be received in respect of the Portfolio Collateral (other than any items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral or Equity Portfolio Collateral) during the period from such date of determination until the end of the applicable Due Period. In addition, the Indenture will permit the Servicer or the Issuer to direct the Trustee to deposit or retain in the Collection Account after the relevant Payment Date amounts that are to be used to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral as long as such amounts are held in Eligible Investments pending such use to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral and are used to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral meeting the specified requirements no later than the last day of the Due Period relating to the Payment Date next following such Payment Date.

In connection with a sale of an item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral after the Revolving Period or the receipt of Collateral Principal Collections due to an unscheduled prepayment after the Revolving Period, the Servicer may enter into commitments to apply such Collateral Disposition Proceeds or such unscheduled prepayments (net of accrued interest and costs) to the purchase of Portfolio Loans as either Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral having an Aggregate Principal Amount equal to or greater than the Principal Balance of the original item of Portfolio Collateral within 90 days of receipt of such proceeds, so long as the Servicer certifies as of the date of purchase that it reasonably believes at the time of such commitment that, after giving effect to such sale and subsequent purchase, (A) each of the Overcollateralization Tests and the other collateral criteria described herein would be satisfied and the Interest Coverage Test was satisfied for the most recent Payment Date, (B) such Portfolio Loan to be purchased has a Moody's Rating equal to or higher than the Moody's Rating of the original item of Portfolio Collateral, (C) such Portfolio Loan to be purchased has an S&P Rating equal to or higher than the S&P Rating of the original item of Portfolio Collateral, (D) such Portfolio Loan to be purchased has a stated maturity on or prior to the final maturity of such original item of Portfolio Collateral, (E) the Weighted Average Life of the Portfolio Collateral would not be increased and (F) neither Rating Agency has reduced or withdrawn (and not restored) the rating assigned by it on the Closing Date to any Class of Notes.

No purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral will be permitted during the continuance of an Event of Default.

No acquisition or disposition of any item of Portfolio Collateral or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) will be permitted for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. In addition, the Issuer may not dispose of any item of Portfolio Collateral unless such disposition is made on an "arm's-length basis" for fair market value (as determined at the time the Issuer first enters into a binding commitment to dispose of such item of Portfolio Collateral). Any disposition of Portfolio Collateral will be conducted in accordance with the requirements of the Servicing Agreement and, if effected with the Servicer, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee or any of their affiliates, will be effected in a secondary market transaction on terms as favorable to the holders of the Notes as would be the case if such person were not so affiliated. In the event of an Optional Redemption, or Tax Event Redemption, the Servicer may direct the Trustee to sell certain Portfolio Collateral without regard to the foregoing limitations (except for the limitation that no Portfolio Collateral be disposed of for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes); *provided* that (i) the proceeds therefrom will be at least sufficient to pay certain expenses and other amounts and redeem in whole but not in part all Notes to be redeemed simultaneously; and (ii) such proceeds are used to make such a redemption. See "Description of the Notes-Optional Redemption," "Tax Event Redemption" and "Special Redemption."

The Servicer will select the Initial Portfolio Collateral and will be responsible for monitoring the items of Portfolio Collateral that at any time are included in the Trust Estate, selecting Additional Portfolio Collateral and Substitute Portfolio Collateral and effecting additions and substitutions. Any addition or substitution of an item of Portfolio Collateral by the Servicer shall be in accordance with the applicable requirements provided in the Servicing Agreement.

#### Securities Lending Agreements

So long as no Event of Default is continuing and if after the completion of the transaction no more than 20% of the Aggregate Par Amount may include Portfolio Collateral subject to any securities lending agreement as set forth in the Indenture, the Servicer, pursuant to the terms of the Indenture, may cause Portfolio Collateral that is not Defaulted Portfolio Collateral to be lent for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) having long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or guarantors with ratings of at least "A1" (and not "A1" but on credit watch with negative implications) and "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A+" from S&P (each, a "**Securities Lending Counterparty**") pursuant to one or more agreements (each, a "**Securities Lending Agreement**"); *provided* that Portfolio Collateral whose Market Value cannot be determined under clauses (a), (b) or (c) of that definition may not be lent pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement; *provided, further*, that the gross income from all such transactions during any fiscal year shall not exceed 15% of the gross income of the Issuer for such fiscal year. Upon the direction of the Issuer, the Trustee shall release any lent Portfolio Collateral to a Securities Lending Counterparty as directed by the Servicer. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Initial Purchasers or Affiliates of the Servicer. The duration of any Securities Lending Agreement shall not exceed the Final Maturity Date of the Notes.

#### Accounts

All Collections (and any upfront payments received from a Hedge Counterparty under a Hedge Agreement) will be remitted to the Collection Account and will be available, to the extent described herein, for application in the manner and for the purposes described herein. Funds held in the Collection Account that are not used to purchase or committed to use to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral will be held by the Trustee, as directed by the Servicer, as soon as practicable in Eligible Investments. All Eligible Investments in the Collection Account must mature on or before the Business Day prior to the next Payment Date. The Trustee may establish any number of sub-accounts to the Collection Account for its convenience in administering the accounts and the Trust Estate.

All cash pledged to the Trustee on the Closing Date which is to be used to purchase additional Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date will be deposited into the Initial Deposit Account. Funds held in the Initial Deposit Account pending use to purchase additional Original Portfolio Collateral will be held by the Trustee, as directed by the Servicer, in Eligible Investments. Eligible Investments in the Initial Deposit Account are to mature no later than the Business Day prior to the date on which such funds are to be invested in additional

Original Portfolio Collateral; *provided* that, to the extent the Deposit in the Initial Deposit Account is not so used or committed to be used on or before the Effective Date such unused amount will be applied to effect an Initial Deposit Redemption of the Class A-1LA Notes, or deposited in the Collection Account as described herein.

If, at any time on or after the Effective Date, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to the Original Portfolio Collateral on or prior to such time) exceeds the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount and there are funds remaining from the Deposit held in the Initial Deposit Account, the Servicer may direct the Trustee to transfer up to the lesser of U.S.\$1,000,000 and 25% of such funds to the Collection Account as additional Collateral Interest Collections; *provided* that the Overcollateralization Tests and the collateral criteria described herein are satisfied and the Interest Coverage Test for the most recent Payment Date was satisfied. The remainder of the Deposit shall be used to purchase Portfolio Collateral, as directed by the Servicer.

An Expense Reimbursement Account of U.S.\$50,000 will be established by the Issuer and pledged to the Trustee for the payment of Issuer administrative expenses which become due and must be paid between Payment Dates. Any amounts withdrawn from the Expense Reimbursement Account will be reimbursed on each Payment Date in accordance with the priority of the distribution provisions described herein. Funds held in the Expense Reimbursement Account will be held by the Trustee, as directed by the Servicer, in Eligible Investments. Eligible Investments in the Expense Reimbursement Account are to mature on or before the date on which such funds are expected to be used by the Issuer for the payment of expenses.

A Closing Expense Account will be established by the Trustee. From the Closing Date to the Payment Date occurring in November 2007 (or February 2008, to the extent unpaid expenses are identified to the Trustee), funds deposited in the Closing Expense Account will be used to pay the fees, commissions and expenses associated with the issuance of the Notes. Funds held in the Closing Expense Account will be held by the Trustee, as directed by the Servicer, in Eligible Investments. On the Payment Date occurring in November 2007 (or February 2008, to the extent unpaid expenses are identified to the Trustee), any remaining funds in the Closing Expense Account (not being held for a pre-approved closing expense) will be transferred to the Collection Account and applied as Collateral Interest Collections.

A Reserve Account will be established by the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders and the other secured parties under the Indenture, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal at the direction of the Servicer. On the Closing Date, the Trustee, at the direction of the Issuer, shall deposit into the Reserve Account approximately \$1,500,000 from the net proceeds of the Offering. Amounts on deposit in the Reserve Account shall be held in Eligible Investments in accordance with the Indenture.

A Loan Funding Account will be established by the Issuer with the Trustee into which an amount equal to the Issuer's commitment to make or otherwise fund advances related to the Delayed Drawdown Loans and the Revolving Loans will be deposited. Such amount will be reduced upon a sale in whole or in part of such Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan as prescribed in the Indenture. Funds held in the Loan Funding Account will be held by the Trustee, as directed by the Servicer, in Eligible Investments. Eligible Investments in the Loan Funding Account are required to mature no later than one Business Day after the date such Eligible Investment is purchased.

A Default Swap Collateral Account will be established for each Default Swap. The Trustee will deposit into each such Default Swap Collateral Account on the Closing Date or on the date any such Default Swap is entered into, as applicable, the amount required to secure the obligations of the Issuer in accordance with the terms of the related Default Swap, which amount shall be at least equal to the amount referred to in paragraph (iv) of the definition of Default Swap Collateral, such amounts to be credited to any such Default Swap Collateral Account shall be transferred by the Trustee from the Collection Account or the Initial Deposit Account, as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in a Default Swap Collateral Account will be maintained in accordance with the terms and provisions of the related Default Swap. Amounts and property credited to a Default Swap Collateral Account shall be withdrawn by the Trustee and applied to the payment of any amounts payable by, or to the delivery of securities deliverable by, the Issuer to the related Default Swap Counterparty in accordance with the terms of such

Default Swap. Income received on amounts on deposit in a Default Swap Collateral Account will be applied in accordance with the terms of the applicable Default Swap to the payment of any periodic amounts owed by the Issuer to the applicable Default Swap Counterparty on the date such amounts are due, as directed by the Servicer. After application of such amounts, any income then contained in such Default Swap Collateral Account will be withdrawn from such account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Collateral Interest Collections. After payment of all amounts owing by the Issuer to a Default Swap Counterparty in accordance with the terms of the related Default Swap (other than any Default Swap Counterparty Termination Payment) the Trustee shall be directed to withdraw all funds and other property credited to the Default Swap Collateral Account related to such Default Swap and credit such funds and other property to the Collection Account, as Collateral Principal Collections (in the case of cash and Eligible Investments) and the "collateral account" established pursuant to the Indenture (in the case of Portfolio Collateral and other financial assets) for application as Collateral Principal Collections (other than any income thereon which will be Collateral Interest Collections) in accordance with the terms of the Indenture. Any Default Swap Counterparty Termination Payments owed by the Issuer to the Default Swap Counterparty shall be paid solely from amounts available therefor under the priority of payment provisions described herein.

Except for interest on securities credited to a Default Swap Collateral Account payable to the Issuer as described pursuant to the preceding paragraph, funds and other property standing to the credit of a Default Swap Collateral Account will not be considered to be an asset of the Issuer for purposes of the Interest Coverage Test or the Overcollateralization Tests; *provided, however*, that the Default Swap that relates to such Default Swap Collateral Account will be considered an asset of the Issuer for such purposes.

If the terms of any Default Swap require the Default Swap Counterparty to secure its obligations with respect to such Default Swap, as directed by the Servicer, the Trustee will cause to be established a Default Swap Issuer Account in respect of such Default Swap. The Trustee shall credit to any such Default Swap Issuer Account all funds and other property received from the applicable Default Swap Counterparty to secure the obligations of such Default Swap Counterparty in accordance with the terms of such Default Swap.

Funds and other property standing to the credit of any Default Swap Issuer Account will not be considered to be an asset of the Issuer for purposes of the Interest Coverage Test or the Overcollateralization Tests; *provided, however*, that the Default Swap that relates to such Default Swap Issuer Account will be considered an asset of the Issuer for such purposes.

In accordance with the terms of the applicable Default Swap, funds and other property standing to the credit of the related Default Swap Issuer Account will be withdrawn by the Trustee and applied to the payment of any amount owing by the related Default Swap Counterparty to the Issuer. After payment of all amounts owing by the Default Swap Counterparty to the Issuer in accordance with the terms of the related Default Swap, all funds and other property standing to the credit of the related Default Swap Issuer Account will be withdrawn from such Default Swap Issuer Account and paid or transferred to the related Default Swap Counterparty, as directed by the Servicer, in accordance with the applicable Default Swap.

On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Securities Lending Agreement and delivers a copy of it to the Trustee, the Trustee shall create a segregated trust account designated as the "**Securities Lending Account**" with respect to any such Securities Lending Agreement. All collateral posted by any Securities Lending Counterparty and received by the Trustee in support of its respective obligation under a Securities Lending Agreement shall be immediately credited to the Securities Lending Account and posted to a sub-account related to such Securities Lending Account. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds credited to the Securities Lending Account shall be: (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty to the Issuer under a Securities Lending Agreement if the Securities Lending Agreement becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the related Securities Lending Agreement upon any "event of default" under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement, including liquidating the related collateral, or (ii) to return the posted collateral to the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Securities Lending Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Note Valuation Report; Noteholder Reports

Promptly after receipt by the Trustee thereof, but in any event not later than the Business Day prior to each Payment Date, the Trustee shall deliver (or otherwise make available) to each Noteholder and each Rating Agency a Noteholder report setting forth certain information regarding payments due to the Noteholders on such Payment Date and the Pledged Securities. In addition, not later than the first day (or, if such day is not a Business Day, on the next succeeding Business Day) of each month (for months in which no Payment Date occurs) or the related Payment Date (for months in which a Payment Date occurs), commencing in July, 2007, the Issuer shall provide, or procure the provision, to each Rating Agency and the Trustee, who shall forward a copy (or otherwise make available) to each Noteholder, a monthly report containing additional information with respect to the Pledged Securities included in the Trust Estate. Except as provided herein, the Indenture provides that the information contained in these reports is confidential and may not be disclosed, except as provided therein.

Pursuant to the Indenture, the Issuer will consent to the posting of each such report, together with this Confidential Offering Circular, the Indenture and any amendments or modifications thereto, to the internet based password protected electronic repository of transaction documents relating to privately offered and sold collateralized debt obligation securities located at "www.cdolibrary.com".

**THE HEDGE AGREEMENTS**The Cap Agreement

On the Closing Date, the Issuer and Bear Stearns Capital Markets Inc. (the "**Cap Provider**") will enter into the Cap Agreement (the "**Cap Agreement**"). The Issuer will make a single fixed payment to the Cap Provider at the beginning of such transaction. The Cap Agreement will provide that for each Payment Date, commencing with the Payment Date occurring in February 2008 through the Payment Date occurring in August 2009, on which LIBOR (determined on the related LIBOR Determination Date) exceeds 6% *per annum* (the "**Cap Strike Rate**"), the Cap Provider will pay to the Issuer an amount (the "**Cap Payment**") equal to the excess of LIBOR for such Periodic Interest Accrual Period over the Cap Strike Rate on the notional amount set forth on Annex B hereto for such Payment Date (the "**Cap Notional Amount**") calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed. If the guarantor of the Cap Provider (or in certain limited cases, the Cap Provider) fails to maintain certain rating levels described in the Indenture or the Cap Agreement, the Cap Provider may be required to post collateral or assign its rights and obligations under the Cap Agreement to a replacement Cap Provider and, if the Cap Provider does not take such action as required under the Cap Agreement, the Issuer will be permitted to terminate such Cap Agreement. See "Special Considerations—Interest Rate Risk" for a discussion of certain considerations with respect to the Cap Agreement.

Cap Events of Default and Termination Events

The Cap Agreement may be terminated, whether or not the Notes have been paid in full on or prior to such termination, upon, among other things, (i) certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency, conservatorship, receivership or reorganization of the Issuer or the Cap Provider, (ii) failure on the part of the Issuer or the Cap Provider to make any payment under the Cap Agreement within the applicable grace period, or (iii) a change in law making it illegal for either the Issuer or the Cap Provider to be a party to, or perform an obligation under, the Cap Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer will not terminate the Cap Agreement unless the Rating Condition is satisfied in connection with such termination.

Payment Amounts

If an event of default or a termination event under the Cap Agreement occurs, a lump-sum amount would be payable by the Cap Provider to the Issuer or by the Issuer to the Cap Provider. Such termination amount would generally be based on the sum of payments under the Cap Agreement that became due prior to the date on which the Cap Agreement (or portion thereof) are terminated, but remain unpaid. If the Issuer or the Cap Provider, as applicable, fails to pay such lump-sum amount on the date specified in the Cap Agreement (which would generally be the date designated as the "Early Termination Date" under the Cap Agreement), then in accordance with the Cap Agreement, interest will accrue on such lump-sum amount at a rate equal to the payee's cost of funds *plus* 1%, compounded daily, and the termination amount will be equal to the sum of the original lump-sum amount and such accrued interest.



Any termination amounts payable by the Issuer as a consequence of termination of the Cap Agreement pursuant to an event as to which the Issuer is the "Defaulting Party" (as defined in the Cap Agreement), in the case of a Cap Event of Default, or the "Affected Party" (as defined in the Cap Agreement), in the case of a Termination Event, is generally payable prior to distributions on the Notes.

#### Collateral and Substitution Requirements under the Cap Agreement

The Cap Agreement entered into by the Issuer and Bear Stearns Capital Markets Inc. is expected to provide that in the event that (a) an S&P First Level Downgrade occurs and is continuing, then within 30 days after such rating withdrawal or downgrade, the Cap Provider shall, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to S&P, at its own expense, either (i) procure a Permitted Transfer, (ii) obtain an Eligible Guaranty or (iii) post collateral in accordance with the related CSA; (b) an S&P Second Level Downgrade occurs and is continuing, then within 10 Local Business Days (as defined in the Cap Agreement) after such rating withdrawal or downgrade, the Cap Provider shall, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to S&P, at its own expense, either (i) procure a Permitted Transfer or (ii) obtain an Eligible Guaranty; and (c) a Moody's Second Level Downgrade occurs and is continuing, the Cap Provider shall as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter, at its own expense and using commercially reasonable efforts, either (i) procure a Permitted Transfer or (ii) obtain an Eligible Guaranty.

The Cap Agreement also is expected to provide that the following will constitute "Additional Termination Events" under the Cap Agreement upon the occurrence of which the Issuer will have the right to terminate the Cap Agreement: (a) if an S&P First Level Downgrade has occurred and is continuing and the Cap Provider fails to take any action described in clause (a) in the preceding paragraph within the time period specified therein; (b) an S&P Second Level Downgrade has occurred and is continuing and the Cap Provider fails to take any action described in clause (b) in the preceding paragraph within the time period specified therein; (c)(i) a Moody's Second Level Downgrade has occurred and been continuing for 30 or more Local Business Days and (ii) the Cap Provider has failed to comply with or perform any obligation to be complied with or performed by the Cap Provider in accordance with the CSA; and (d)(i) a Moody's Second Level Downgrade has occurred and been continuing for 30 or more Local Business Days and (ii) either (I) at least one Eligible Replacement has made a Firm Offer to be the transferee or (II) at least one entity that satisfies the Moody's Approved Ratings Threshold has made a Firm Offer to provide an Eligible Guaranty in respect of all of the Cap Provider's present and future obligations under the Cap Agreement.

The Cap Agreement will provide that the Cap Provider may assign its obligations under the Cap Agreement to any institution which satisfies the Rating Condition with respect to such assignment.

#### Sale of Rights under Cap Agreement

If, after the end of Revolving Period, the sum of the notional amount of the Cap Agreement and the minimum amount of the Floating Rate Collateral allowed exceeds the sum of the Aggregate Principal Amounts of the Notes at any time, upon satisfaction of the Rating Condition and with the Cap Provider's consent, the Servicer will be permitted to sell the Issuer's right to receive the payments with respect to the Cap Agreement to the extent of such excess notional amount. Proceeds from any such sale will be distributed as Collateral Interest Collections on the Payment Date relating to the Due Period in which such sale occurs. In no event shall all or any portion of such rights with respect to such Cap Agreement be sold if such sale would result in a net loss by the Issuer and no such sale may be consummated unless the Issuer is relieved of liability with respect to the portion of such Cap Agreement sold.

The Cap Provider ratings requirements, termination events and the required consents and actions described herein are subject to modification prior to the Closing Date, and may be revised thereafter upon satisfaction of the Rating Condition. The description of the provisions of the Cap Agreement herein may vary from the actual Cap Agreement to be entered into by the Issuer and Bear Stearns Capital Markets Inc. on the Closing Date.

#### The Cap Provider

The information appearing in this section headed "The Cap Provider" has been prepared by the Cap Provider and has not been independently verified by the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Trustee or the Initial Purchasers. Accordingly, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, none of the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Trustee or the Initial Purchasers assumes any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or applicability of any such information.

Bear Stearns Capital Markets Inc., or the Cap Provider, is incorporated in the State of Delaware. The Cap Provider is engaged in fixed income derivatives transactions and hedges associated therewith. The Cap Provider is a subsidiary of The Bear Stearns Companies Inc. ("**BSC**"). The Cap Provider's obligations under the Cap Agreement will be guaranteed by BSC. The Cap Provider is an affiliate of Bear Stearns.

The most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K, the Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and the Current Reports on Form 8-K of BSC are on file with and available from the Securities and Exchange Commission. Copies of these documents will be provided upon request and without charge to each person, including any Noteholder, who receives a copy of this Confidential Offering Circular. Written requests may be addressed to Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., 383 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10179, Attention: Head of Interest Rate Derivatives Marketing.

#### The Cashflow Swap Agreements

In addition to the Cap Agreement, on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer may enter into one or more timing swap agreements, including coupon timing swap agreements (each a "**Cashflow Swap Agreement**" and, together with the Cap Agreement, the "**Hedge Agreements**"), as directed by the Servicer, with any one or more institutions entering into or guaranteeing a Cashflow Swap Agreement with the Issuer (each a "**Cashflow Swap Counterparty**" and, together with the Cap Provider, a "**Hedge Counterparty**"), *provided* that any such Cashflow Swap Agreement has a maximum term of 10 years. The Cashflow Swap Agreements would allow the Issuer to manage potential mismatches between the timing of receipts of interest on the Portfolio Collateral and Eligible Investments and the timing of interest payments due on the Notes in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which the Issuer is entitled to receive payments from the related Cashflow Swap Counterparty on a certain date in exchange for the Issuer's obligation to make payments to such Cashflow Swap Counterparty on one or more Payment Dates. Each such Cashflow Swap Agreement will be documented as one or more confirmations under a master swap agreement in the form published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. ("**ISDA**"). Each Cashflow Swap Agreement will be governed by New York law (or, at the option of the Issuer, English law). The Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall obtain the approval of each new Cashflow Swap Agreement from each Cashflow Swap Counterparty to a then-existing Cashflow Swap Agreement and the approval of a Majority of the Controlling Class. The Trustee shall only pay amounts due by the Issuer to any Cashflow Swap Counterparties on Payment Dates and in accordance with the priority of payments described herein.

Subject to the terms of the Indenture, the Trustee shall take all steps necessary to enforce the Issuer's rights under any Cashflow Swap Agreements, including receiving payments from the Cashflow Swap Counterparty when due and exercising the Issuer's rights under any Cashflow Swap Agreements. If the Cashflow Swap Agreement has been terminated without a replacement, and all termination amounts owed to the Cashflow Swap Counterparty under the Cashflow Swap Agreement, if any, have been paid, all rights of the Cashflow Swap Counterparty under the Indenture (including all of its rights as a secured party) shall terminate and be of no force and effect.

The Indenture requires that if at any time any Cashflow Swap Agreement becomes subject to early termination due to the occurrence of an event of default or a termination event, the Issuer and the Trustee shall take such actions (following the expiration of any applicable grace period) to enforce the rights of the Issuer and the Trustee under such Cashflow Swap Agreement as may be permitted by the terms of such Cashflow Swap Agreement and consistent with the terms hereof, and shall apply the proceeds of any such actions (including, without limitation, the proceeds of the liquidation of any collateral pledged by the Cashflow Swap Counterparty thereunder) to enter into a replacement Cashflow Swap Agreement. Any costs attributable to entering into a replacement Cashflow Swap Agreement which exceed the sum of the proceeds of the liquidation of any such Cashflow Swap Agreement shall be borne solely by the Cashflow Swap Counterparty.

The Trustee will agree to any reduction in the notional amount of any Cashflow Swap Agreement proposed by the related Cashflow Swap Counterparty and agreed to by the Servicer, or any termination, replacement and/or other modification of any such Cashflow Swap Agreement or any additional Cashflow Swap Agreement proposed by the Servicer; *provided*, that, in the case of any such replaced Cashflow Swap Agreement, modified Cashflow Swap Agreement or additional Cashflow Swap Agreement to be entered into that is not an interest rate swap, floor and/or cap agreement, including without limitation an interest rate basis swap agreement, such Cashflow Swap Agreement does not impose any increased duties, obligations or liabilities on the Trustee.

Each Hedge Agreement may be terminated pursuant to its terms upon an Optional Redemption or Tax Event Redemption of the Notes or an acceleration of maturity of the Notes after an Event of Default. A Hedge Agreement will not be permitted to be terminated as the result of a Default, Event of Default or redemption of the Notes unless any acceleration of maturity of the Notes resulting from the Event of Default or any such redemption, as the case may be, is no longer permitted to be rescinded pursuant to the Indenture.

### **MATURITY AND PREPAYMENT CONSIDERATIONS**

The Final Maturity Date each Class of Notes is the Payment Date occurring in August 2024, or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Final Maturity Date, and subject to prior redemption under the circumstances described herein. The average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years until the Final Maturity Date, and the average lives may vary due to various factors. The average life of each Class of Notes, refers to the weighted amount of time that will elapse from the date of delivery of such Notes until each dollar of the principal of such securities will be paid to the investor. Such average lives will be determined by the amount and frequency of principal payments which in turn are dependent upon, among other things, the amount of sinking fund payments and other payments received at or in advance of the scheduled maturity of Portfolio Collateral (whether through sale, maturity, redemption, prepayment, default or other liquidation or disposition). The actual average life and final maturity of each Class of Notes will be affected by the financial condition of the issuers of the underlying Portfolio Collateral and the characteristics of such collateral, including the existence and frequency of exercise of any optional or mandatory redemption features, the prevailing level of interest rates, the redemption price, the actual default rate and the actual level and timing of recoveries on any Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, the frequency of tender or exchange offers for such item of Portfolio Collateral, and the ability of the Issuer to reinvest proceeds in Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral satisfying the criteria set forth in the Indenture and the interest rates obtained in connection with the purchase of such Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral or in connection with the application of proceeds to purchase Eligible Investments. It is expected that a substantial amount (by Principal Balance) of the Portfolio Collateral will be subject to mandatory redemption or optional redemption or prepayment by the issuer thereof or obligor thereunder. Any acquisition of Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral or disposition of an item of Portfolio Collateral will likely change the composition and characteristics of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate and the rate of payment thereon, and, accordingly, may affect the actual average life of the Notes. See "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral."

In addition, the Notes are subject to redemption at the times and under the circumstances described herein, including Initial Deposit Redemption, O/C Redemption Optional Redemption, Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption, Tax Event Redemption and Special Redemption, as described herein. Any such redemption will affect the average lives of the Notes.

Under the assumptions identified below, the Class A-1LA Notes are expected to have an average life of approximately 8.59 years and an expected final payment occurring on the Payment Date in August 2016, the Class A-1LB Notes are expected to have an average life of approximately 9.23 years and an expected final payment occurring on the Payment Date in August 2016, the Class A-2L Notes are expected to have an average life of approximately 9.23 years and an expected final payment occurring on the Payment Date in August 2016, the Class A-3L Notes are expected to have an average life of approximately 9.23 years and an expected final payment occurring on the Payment Date in August 2016, the Class B-1L Notes are expected to have an average life of approximately 9.23 years and an expected final payment occurring on the Payment Date in August 2016 and the Class B-2L Notes are expected to have an average life of approximately 8.97 years and an expected final payment occurring on the Payment Date in August 2016. There can be no assurance that the average lives and expected final payment of any Class of Notes will be as set forth above. Prospective investors should make their own determinations of the payments expected to be made in respect of the Notes.

The hypothetical scenario used to determine the average lives of the Notes is as follows: (i) approximately U.S.\$1,000,000,000 in Aggregate Principal Amount of various assumed Portfolio Collateral would be purchased on the Closing Date using all funds available on the Closing Date for the purchase of Portfolio Collateral; (ii) 100% of the Portfolio Collateral (by Aggregate Principal Amount) will consist of Floating Rate Collateral which will have a weighted average margin (in order to adjust for not being fully invested in Portfolio Collateral until after the second Payment Date) of (a) 2.5001% from the Closing Date to the first Payment Date and (b) 2.5001% thereafter; (iii) all Floating Rate Collateral bear interest based on three-month LIBOR. Three-month LIBOR is approximately 5.3702%

for the first period and 3 month forward LIBOR thereafter; (iv) the Portfolio Collateral has a scheduled maturity date of 6/1/2015, with respect to Portfolio Loans, and 9/25/2013, with respect to CLO Securities, with a weighted average maturity date of December 11, 2014; (v) no Initial Deposit Redemption, Special Redemption, Tax Event Redemption or Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption of the Notes is made; (vi) an Optional Redemption occurs on the Payment Date occurring in August 2016; (vii) the Additional Portfolio Floating Collateral purchased from Collections as described herein will bear interest quarterly at the rate of 2.60% per annum above LIBOR for the first year, 2.60% per annum above LIBOR for the second year; 2.60% per annum above LIBOR for the third year; 2.60% per annum above LIBOR for the fourth year and 2.60% per annum above LIBOR thereafter; (viii) all Additional Portfolio Collateral in the portfolio become callable or prepayable on the payment date immediately following the purchase date and are callable at their respective call price; (ix) all Eligible Investments will bear interest at a rate of LIBOR minus .25% per annum; (x) the Additional Portfolio Collateral have an initial call price of par; and (xi) the Additional Portfolio Collateral have a 6 year maturity in the case of the Floating Rate Collateral. In addition, it is assumed that no calls or defaults with respect to such Additional Portfolio Collateral will occur on the Final Maturity Date.

Further, the hypothetical scenario assumes that there are no defaults during the period from the Closing Date to May 1, 2008 and there are defaults equal to 3% per annum thereafter until the Optional Redemption occurs on the Payment Date occurring in August 2016. The principal recovery on any defaulted Portfolio Loan and any defaulted underlying loan in a CLO Security is assumed to be 75% and in each case such recovery is assumed to occur at the default date. It is also assumed that the Scheduled Distributions on Portfolio Collateral are timely received and that such distributions earn the indicated interest rates until the next payment date without compounding. It is assumed that Floating Rate Collateral has no prepayment for one period after the Closing Date; thereafter prepayments are calculated on a 20% per annum constant prepayment rate basis for Portfolio Loans. It is assumed that during any period when the Overcollateralization Tests or the Interest Coverage Test are not satisfied, principal payments (or, in the case of the Class B-1L Notes and the Class B-2L Notes, payments of accrued and unpaid interest and then principal) will be made in respect of the Notes to the extent necessary to satisfy the Overcollateralization Tests or the Interest Coverage Test, as applicable (to the extent funds are available therefor).

The Base Fee Amount and the Additional Fee Amount, are assumed to be approximately 0.55% per annum in aggregate, and the Trustee Administrative Expenses, Issuer Base Administrative Expenses and Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses will be .0275% (but no less than \$75,000 per annum) plus U.S.\$250,000 per annum, in the aggregate, each as a percentage of either the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral and Eligible Investments as of the first day of the Due Period relating to each Payment Date or the average of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral and Eligible Investments as of the first day of the Due Period relating to each Payment Date and the last day of the Due Period relating to such Payment Date, as appropriate for the related fee and subject to the availability of funds in the performance scenario. For purposes of calculating the Base Fee Amount and the Additional Fee Amount, the Quarterly Collateral Amount on the first calculation date is assumed to be U.S.\$1,000,000,000.

Cash received on or before a Calculation Date is assumed to be available on the following Payment Date. Cash collected after the Calculation Date but before the immediately following Payment Date is assumed to be used to purchase Eligible Investments until the second succeeding Payment Date. With respect to Floating Rate Collateral, the accrual date on Portfolio Collateral is assumed to be the full quarterly period before the Payment Date subsequent to the Closing Date.

The weighted average lives and expected final payment dates described above are included only for illustrative purposes. The usefulness of these scenarios is limited by, among other things, the predictive value of the underlying assumptions, the uncertain relevance of the assumptions as compared to other factors which have not been identified or taken into account, and assumptions incorporated with respect to the timing of cash flows, prepayments, defaults and recoveries on the Portfolio Collateral and available interest rates. The assumptions are inherently subject to significant economic uncertainties, all of which are impossible to predict and beyond the control of the Co-Issuers. **There can be no assurance that any particular performance scenario will be realized, and the performance of the Notes may be materially different from that shown. Such scenario is not a projection or forecast and was not prepared with a view to complying with published guidelines of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission or the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants regarding projections or forecasts. Under no circumstances should the inclusion of such information be regarded as a representation, warranty or prediction with respect to their accuracy or the accuracy or**

appropriateness of the underlying assumptions, or that the Notes will achieve or are likely to achieve any particular results. There can be no assurance that the actual performance of the Notes will not vary materially from the scenario and assumptions set forth herein or otherwise used by a prospective investor. Moreover, to the extent that the individual characteristics of the assumed Portfolio Collateral used for such purposes differ from the individual characteristics of the actual Portfolio Collateral purchased on the Closing Date and thereafter, the actual performance of the Notes may differ. Prospective investors should conduct such financial analysis as they deem prudent, which may include the preparation of their own performance scenarios under a range of economic and other assumptions chosen by such prospective investors or their advisers. Each prospective investor must make its own evaluation of the merits and risks of investment in the Notes. See "Special Considerations—Nature of Collateral Pledged to Secure the Notes; Ability to Obtain Additional Portfolio Collateral; Availability of Funds for Subordinate Payments," "Special Considerations—Sale of Portfolio Collateral by Servicer under Certain Circumstances" and "Special Considerations—Default Rates of Commercial Loans and CLO Securities."

## LEGAL STRUCTURE

### The Indenture

The following summaries generally describe certain provisions of the Indenture. The summaries do not purport to be complete and are subject to, and qualified in their entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Indenture.

Modification of Indenture. Except as set forth below, with the consent of the Requisite Noteholders and the Servicer, the Trustee and the Co-Issuers may execute a supplemental indenture to add provisions to, or change in any manner or eliminate any provisions of, the Indenture or modify in any manner the rights of the Holders of such Notes. However, without the consent of the Holders of each Outstanding Note affected thereby, and, to the extent provided in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Holders of the Preferred Shares materially adversely affected thereby and the Cap Provider (to the extent the amendment would have a material adverse effect on the Cap Provider), no supplemental indenture may (i) change the maturity of the principal of or interest on any Note or Combination Note or reduce the principal amount thereof or the rate of interest thereon or change the time or amount of any other amount payable in respect of any Note or Combination Notes, (ii) reduce the percentage of Holders of Notes whose consent is required for the authorization of any supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of the Indenture, (iii) impair or adversely affect the Trust Estate securing the Notes, (iv) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on parity with the lien of the Indenture with respect to any part of the Trust Estate or terminate the lien of the Indenture, (v) reduce the percentage of Holders of Notes whose consent is required to direct the Trustee to liquidate the Trust Estate, (vi) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture with respect to supplemental indentures or waiver of Defaults and their consequences except to increase the percentage of Outstanding Notes whose consent is required for any such action or to provide that other provisions of the Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note affected thereby, (vii) modify the provisions thereof relating to priority of distributions or subordination or the definition therein of the terms "Holder," "Noteholder," "Majority Noteholder," "Majority Preferred Shareholder," "Outstanding," or "Requisite Noteholder," (viii) modify any provisions in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount or timing of any payment of interest or principal due on any Note on any Payment Date (including the calculation of any of the individual components of such calculation) or any other amount in respect of any Note, or to affect the rights of the Holders of Notes to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of such Notes contained in the Indenture, (ix) modify any provision relating to the institution of proceedings for the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to be adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or (x) amend any provision that provides that the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer are non-recourse obligations.

In addition, upon the proposal of the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer and subject to the consent of a Majority of the Preferred Shares eligible to vote (including any Preferred Shares held by the Servicer Entities up to the Original HFP Share Amount, but excluding any other Preferred Shares beneficially owned or controlled by the Servicer Entities which shall be deemed ineligible to vote) on such proposal, or at the direction of such Majority of the Preferred Shares, the Co-Issuers and the Servicer, the Trustee and the Co-Issuers may enter into one or more supplemental indentures (i) in connection with an Optional Redemption by Refinancing involving the issuance of

additional notes, to accommodate the issuance of such additional notes and to establish the terms thereof or (ii) in connection with an Optional Redemption by Refinancing involving secured loans, to accommodate borrowings under such secured loans and to establish the terms thereof; *provided* that, if a supplemental indenture is entered into in connection with the issuance of additional notes or incurrence of secured loans related to an Optional Redemption by Refinancing, such supplemental indenture shall not be effective unless each of the Rating Agencies has (a) if additional notes are issued in substantially the same capital structure as the Notes issued on the Closing Date, (i) *provided* a Rating Confirmation and (ii) *provided* a rating to the additional notes to be issued or the secured loans to be incurred as agreed upon by the purchasers of such additional notes in such Optional Redemption by Refinancing or (b) in any other case, *provided* a rating to the additional notes to be issued or the secured loans to be incurred as agreed upon by the purchasers of such additional notes in such Optional Redemption by Refinancing.

The Co-Issuers and the Trustee may also enter into supplemental indentures with the consent of the Servicer and the Cap Provider (to the extent the amendment would have a material adverse effect on the Cap Provider) but without obtaining the consent of Noteholders, in order to (i) evidence the succession of any person to the Co-Issuers, (ii) evidence the addition of an additional issuer or of a wholly owned subsidiary of the Issuer that, in either case, will acquire securities from the Issuer and pledge its assets to secure the obligations of the Issuer secured by the Trust Estate, to the extent necessary to permit the Issuer to comply with the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder or any other statute, rule or regulation applicable to the Issuer, and the assumption by any such additional issuer or subsidiary of the covenants and obligations of the Issuer in the Indenture and, if applicable, in the Notes, (iii) add to the covenants of the Co-Issuers for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes and to the Combination Notes or to surrender any right or power conferred upon the Co-Issuers, (iv) pledge any property to or with the Trustee, (v) evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment by a successor trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of the Indenture as shall be necessary to facilitate the administration of the Trust Estate by more than one Trustee, (vi) correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of the Indenture, or to better assure, convey and confirm unto the Trustee any property subject to the lien of the Indenture, (vii) take any action necessary or helpful to prevent the Issuer or the Trustee from becoming subject to any withholding or other taxes or assessments or to reduce the risk that the Issuer will be engaged in a United States trade or business or otherwise subject to United States income tax on a net income basis, (viii) correct any manifest error in the Indenture, (ix) facilitate the delivery and maintenance of the Notes or the Combination Notes in accordance with the requirements of DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream, (x) facilitate the listing of all or any of the Notes on one or more securities exchanges, (xi) modify the restrictions on and procedures for resale and other transfer of the Notes or the Combination Notes in accordance with any change in applicable law or regulation or enable the Co-Issuers to rely upon any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities Act or the Investment Company Act, (xii) cure any ambiguity, or correct, modify or supplement any provision which is defective or inconsistent with any other provision in the Indenture, (xiii) to effectuate a Noteholder's election to acquire bond insurance, a surety bond or similar credit enhancement as described in the Indenture, or (xiv) prevent the Issuer from becoming an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act or better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 thereunder; *provided* that, with respect to clause (xiv) only, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and each Initial Purchaser shall have (A) satisfied the Rating Condition with respect to such supplemental indenture and (B) received a customary, unqualified opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such supplemental indenture, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act; *provided further* that (A) any such amendment for any matters described in clauses (i) through (xiii) shall not materially adversely affect the interests of the Holders of any Class of the Notes and (B) no amendment shall be made that would cause the Issuer to register as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act. Except for any proposed amendment that would affect the terms of the Combination Notes as such, Holders of the Combination Notes shall be entitled to vote only as Holders of the related component parts.

The Trustee will not be permitted to enter into any supplemental indenture if such amendment would materially adversely affect the interests of the Preferred Shareholders without the consent of the Holders representing at least 66-2/3% of the outstanding Preferred Shares. The Trustee shall be entitled to receive and reply upon an opinion of counsel or an officer's certificate to the effect that a proposed supplemental indenture does not materially adversely affect the interests of the Holders of any Class of Notes or the interest of the Preferred Shareholders; *provided* that any such opinion of counsel may rely on an officer's certificate covering any relevant factual matters.

Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the above provisions, the Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall deliver to the Holders of the Notes, the Servicer, the Preferred Share Paying and Transfer Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preferred Shares and the Combination Notes) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) a copy of such supplemental indenture and shall request any required consent from the applicable Holders of Notes, Combination Notes and Preferred Shares to be given within the Initial Consent Period. Any consent given to a proposed supplemental indenture by the Holder of any Notes, Combination Notes or Preferred Shares shall be irrevocable and binding on all future Holders or beneficial owners of Notes, Combination Notes or Preferred Shares, irrespective of the execution date of the supplemental indenture. If the Holders of less than the required percentage of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the relevant Notes or required percentage of the Preferred Shares consent to a proposed supplemental indenture within the Initial Consent Period, on the first Business Day after the Initial Consent Period, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Servicer which Holders of Notes and Preferred Shares have consented to the proposed supplemental indenture and, which Holders (and, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the Trustee, which beneficial owners) have not consented to the proposed supplemental indenture. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser intends to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall so notify the Trustee (which notice shall designate a date for the Amendment Buy-Out to occur no earlier than 10 Business Days after the date of such notice) no later than five (5) Business Days after so being notified by the Trustee and the Trustee shall deliver such notice to all Holders of Notes and the Preferred Share Paying and Transfer Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preferred Shares and the Combination Notes). Any Non-Consenting Holder may give consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture until the 5th Business Day prior to the date of the Amendment Buy-Out designated by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and in such case shall cease to be a Non-Consenting Holder for purposes of the Amendment Buy-Out. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser exercises its Amendment Buy-Out Option and purchases the applicable Notes or Preferred Shares, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, as Holder or beneficial owner of the applicable Notes or Preferred Shares, may consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture within five (5) Business Days of the Amendment Buy-Out.

The Indenture provides that no amendment to any provision of the Indenture or any other transaction document that materially adversely affects the obligations of any Synthetic Security Counterparty will be of any effect without the consent of such Synthetic Security Counterparty and the Issuer will not enter into any such amendment unless such Synthetic Security Counterparty has consented thereto (which consent will not be unreasonably withheld).

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein (so long as the Rating Condition has been satisfied), with the consent of the Servicer and, except as provided above, without the consent of the Holders of any Notes or the Holders of the Combination Notes or Preferred Shares, the Co-Issuers and the Trustee may enter into an indenture or indentures supplemental thereto (other than as may otherwise be permitted under the Indenture): (a) to add additional rows to the Collateral Quality Matrix (other than in accordance with clause (ii) of the second sentence of the definition of "Collateral Quality Matrix" as such term is defined in the Indenture); (b) to change the definition of Collateral Quality Formula (and any related definitions), (c) to change the definition of Weighted Average Life Requirement (and any related definitions), (d) to change the definition of Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test (and any related definitions) and (e) to change the definition of S&P CDO Monitor Test (and any related definitions); *provided* that the Trustee must receive the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class with respect to any indenture or supplemental indenture with respect to items (a) (other than in accordance with clause (ii) of the second sentence of the definition of "Collateral Quality Matrix" as such term is defined in the Indenture), (b), (c), (d) and (e) above.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Trustee will not be permitted to enter into any supplemental indenture if, as a result of such supplemental indenture, the rating of any Class of Outstanding Notes or Combination Notes (if then rated) would be reduced or withdrawn without the unanimous consent of the Holders of that Class of Notes or Combination Notes.

#### Amendment Buy-Out

In the case of any supplemental indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of the Notes or Preferred Shares, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Notes and Preferred Shares held by such Holder whose consent was solicited with

respect to such supplemental indenture (the "**Amendment Buy-Out Option**") for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; *provided, however*, that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser may not exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option during the Non-Call Period in connection with a proposed amendment to reduce the rate of interest on any Security, as applicable, or to change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preferred Shares may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer; *provided, further*, that notwithstanding the definition of Non-Consenting Holder, any Holder of Notes (other than the Class A-1LA Notes) or Preferred Shares who fails to respond to any such consent solicitation shall be deemed to have consented to any such supplemental indenture. Notwithstanding the foregoing, during the Non-Call Period, "Non-Consenting Holder" shall exclude any Holder of Class A-1LA Notes (unless such Holder has consented in writing to be designated as a Non-Consenting Holder) and the Amendment Buy-Out Option shall not be applicable to such Class A-1LA Notes. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all Notes and Preferred Shares of Non-Consenting Holders, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes or Preferred Shares the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an "**Amendment Buy-Out**"). By its acceptance of a Note or Preferred Share, each Holder of a Note and Preferred Share agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its applicable Note or Preferred Share to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser. For the avoidance of doubt, nothing described above or in the Indenture shall in any way limit or restrict the rights of Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes to consent or withhold their consent to a supplemental indenture or otherwise vote their interest both during and after the Non-Call Period.

All purchases made pursuant to the Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Notes and Preferred Shares set forth in "Delivery of the Notes; Transfer Restrictions; Settlement" herein and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

Acts of Noteholders. Under the Indenture, with respect to any action that requires consent from 100% of the Noteholders and with respect to any Noteholder which has notified the Trustee in writing that pursuant to such Noteholder's organizational documents or other documents governing such Noteholder's actions, such Noteholder is not permitted to take any affirmative action approving, rejecting or otherwise acting upon any Issuer request including, but not limited to, a request for the consent of such Noteholder to a proposed amendment or waiver pursuant to this Indenture, the failure by such Noteholder to consent to or reject any such requested action will be deemed a consent by such Noteholder to the requested action. In addition, any consent required from a Noteholder or a Holder of a Preferred Share pursuant to the Indenture may be evidenced by one or more instruments (which may be an electronic document, including, but not limited to, in the form of email, to the extent permitted by applicable law), signed by Noteholders or Holders of Preferred Shares in person or by agents duly appointed in writing (*provided* that no signature shall be required on electronic documents, including, but not limited to, in the form of email to the extent permitted by law).

Consolidation, Merger or Transfer of Assets, Incurrence of Indebtedness, Conduct of Business. The Co-Issuers may not consolidate with, merge into, or transfer or convey all or substantially all of their assets to, any other corporation, partnership, trust or other person or entity (except for sales or exchanges of Portfolio Collateral as contemplated by the Indenture). In addition, the Co-Issuers may not incur any indebtedness other than the Notes and trade debt incidental to the performance of their obligations under the Indenture or engage in any business or activity other than the issuance of the Notes, the Preferred Shares, the ordinary shares and the other transactions and activities, as applicable, contemplated herein. Pursuant to the Indenture and the Co-Issuers' organizational documentation, the Co-Issuers may also not, without the consent of the Requisite Noteholders, amend their organizational documentation if such amendment would have a material adverse effect on the right of the Noteholders.

Events of Default. An event of default ("**Event of Default**") is defined in the Indenture as being (i) a default for four Business Days or more (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, any Paying Agent or the Note Registrar, for a period of seven Business Days or more, *provided* that the Trustee has notified each Rating Agency of any such administrative error or omission) in the payment of any amount payable in respect of any Note when due when funds in such amount are available for payment in accordance with the Indenture, (ii) a failure after four Business Days (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, any Paying Agent or the Note Registrar, for a period of seven Business Days or more, *provided* that the Trustee has notified each Rating Agency of any such



administrative error or omission), to apply available amounts in accordance with the priority of distribution set forth in the Indenture, (iii) a default for four Business Days or more (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, any Paying Agent or the Note Registrar, for a period of seven Business Days or more, *provided* that the Trustee has notified each Rating Agency of any such administrative error or omission) in the payment of (A) the Periodic Interest Amount due on any Senior Class A Notes on any Payment Date, (B) after the Senior Class A Notes are paid in full, the Periodic Interest Amount due on the Class A-3L Notes on any Payment Date, (C) after the Class A Notes are paid in full, the Periodic Interest Amount due on the Class B-1L Notes on any Payment Date and (D) after the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes are paid in full, the Periodic Interest Amount due on the Class B-2L Notes on any Payment Date; (iv) a default in the payment of the Aggregate Principal Amount and the Cumulative Interest Amount due on any Class of Notes on the Final Maturity Date, (v) a default in the performance, or a breach of any covenant, representation, warranty or other agreement of the Co-Issuers (or either one of them) other than compliance with the Overcollateralization Tests, the Interest Coverage Test or the collateral quality criteria described herein, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Co-Issuers (or either one of them) in the Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant to or in connection with the Indenture to be correct in all material respects when the same shall have been made, in any such case which materially and adversely affects the rights of any Class of Noteholders and continuance of such default, breach or failure for a period of 30 days after written notice to the Co-Issuers or the Servicer by the Trustee or to the Co-Issuers or the Servicer and the Trustee by the Holders of at least a majority in principal amount of the Notes, (vi) certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or reorganization of the Co-Issuers, (vii) either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of assets constituting the Trust Estate becomes required to register as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act of 1940, (viii) the failure to maintain on any Calculation Date a Senior Class A Overcollateralization Ratio of at least 100%. The failure to pay in full Periodic Interest on the Class A-3L Notes as a result of insufficient funds being available therefor will not constitute an Event of Default so long as the Senior Class A Notes are Outstanding. The failure to pay in full Periodic Interest on the Class B-1L Notes as a result of insufficient funds being available therefor will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Class A Notes are Outstanding. The failure to pay in full Periodic Interest on the Class B-2L Notes as a result of insufficient funds being available therefor will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any Class A Notes or Class B-1L Notes are Outstanding. An event of insolvency could result if relief has been ordered against the Co-Issuers in a case under applicable bankruptcy law and the Co-Issuers, the trustee, if any, for either of the Co-Issuers or a creditor of either of the Co-Issuers were to file an involuntary petition against either of the Co-Issuers. The filing of a petition against the Co-Issuers under applicable bankruptcy law could adversely affect the rights of the Holders of Notes to receive timely payments.

If an Event of Default (other than an Event of Default specified in clause (vi) above) under the Indenture should occur and be continuing with respect to the Notes, the Trustee may with the consent of the Requisite Noteholders, and shall, at the written direction of the Requisite Noteholders, declare the principal of the Notes to be immediately due and payable. Such declaration may under certain circumstances be rescinded by the Trustee with the consent of the Requisite Noteholders or at the written direction of the Requisite Noteholders. If an Event of Default specified in clause (vi) above should occur and be continuing, the principal of the Notes shall become immediately due and payable without the necessity of notice or any other action. If the Notes are accelerated, or if the Final Maturity Date has occurred, the Holders of the Notes shall be entitled to receive the Cumulative Interest Amount and the Aggregate Principal Amount with respect thereto (as calculated and accrued through the date of payment in full of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Notes) in the order of priority set forth under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions—Final Maturity Date."

If an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing or if the Final Maturity Date has occurred, the Trustee shall refrain from liquidating and shall preserve the Trust Estate intact unless (i) the Requisite Noteholders have directed the Trustee in writing to sell or liquidate the Trust Estate or any portion thereof in the case of (A) an Event of Default resulting from failure to pay interest or principal on a Note or (B) a sale or liquidation of all or a portion of the Trust Estate at or above the aggregate par value of all Collateral so liquidated or sold (and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral may be liquidated or sold without reference to, or inclusion in the calculation of, such limitation), (ii) in the case of an acceleration resulting from an Event of Default set forth in clause (viii) above, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Outstanding Senior Class A Notes (or, if the Senior Class A Overcollateralization Ratio is less than 85%, then 60% of the Controlling Class) have so directed the Trustee in writing to sell or liquidate the Trust Estate or any portion thereof or (iii) 100% of the Noteholders have otherwise directed the Trustee to sell or liquidate the Trust Estate or any portion thereof. In addition, under certain

circumstances, if an Event of Default as described under clauses (iii) and (iv) of "Events of Default" shall have occurred and be continuing, the Servicer may be terminated as described under "The Servicing Agreement—Termination of Servicing Agreement."

Pursuant to the Indenture, as security for the payment by the Issuer of the compensation and expenses of the Trustee and the Paying and Transfer Agent and any sums to which the Trustee and the Paying and Transfer Agent may be entitled to receive as indemnification by the Issuer, the Issuer has granted the Trustee a senior lien on the Trust Estate, which is senior to the lien of the Notes on the Trust Estate. These liens are exercisable by the Trustee or the Paying and Transfer Agent only if the Notes have been declared due and payable following an Event of Default, and the acceleration of the maturity of such Notes as a result of such Event of Default has not been rescinded or annulled.

Subject to the provisions of the Indenture relating to the duties of the Trustee in case an Event of Default with respect to the Notes shall occur and be continuing, the Trustee will be under no obligation to exercise any of the rights or powers under the Indenture at the request or direction of any Holders of Notes, unless such Holders shall have offered to the Trustee security or indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it. Subject to such provisions for indemnification and certain limitations contained in the Indenture, the Requisite Noteholders will have the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding of any remedy available to the Trustee or exercising any trust or power conferred on the Trustee with respect to the Notes; and, in certain cases, waive any default with respect to such Notes, except a default in payment of any amount payable in respect of any Note or a default in respect of a covenant or provision of the Indenture that cannot be modified without the waiver or consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note affected thereby.

Rights Under the Indenture. No Holder of a Note will have the right to institute any proceeding with respect to the Indenture, unless (1) such Holder previously has given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default with respect to such Notes, (2) the Requisite Noteholders have made written request upon the Trustee to institute such proceedings in its own name as Trustee, (3) such Holder or Holders have offered the Trustee indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it as provided in the Indenture, (4) the Trustee has for 30 days failed to institute any such proceeding, and (5) no direction inconsistent with such written request has been given to the Trustee during such 30-day period by the Requisite Noteholders.

Satisfaction and Discharge of the Indenture. The Indenture will be discharged with respect to the collateral securing the Notes upon delivery to the Trustee for cancellation of all of the Notes, or, within certain limitations (including the obligation to pay principal and interest), upon deposit with the Trustee of cash or Eligible Investments sufficient for the amount thereof.

Trustee. Investors Bank & Trust Company will be the Trustee under the Indenture for the Notes. The Issuer, the Servicer and their affiliates may maintain other banking relationships in the ordinary course of business with the Trustee. The Indenture provides that the Trustee may appoint one or more co-trustees in the event that Holders of the Notes have conflicting interests and in certain other circumstances. The Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee may receive compensation in connection with the purchase of certain Eligible Investments as provided in the Indenture.

The Indenture contains provisions for the indemnification of the Trustee for any loss, liability or expense incurred without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of its duties under the Indenture.

The Trustee may resign at any time by giving notice as set forth in the Indenture. The Trustee may be removed for any reason by the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Controlling Class, or by the Issuer if at any time the Trustee fails to meet certain eligibility criteria set forth in the Indenture or if the Trustee is adjudged to be bankrupt or insolvent or a receiver or liquidator or similar official of the Trustee or its property is appointed. No resignation or removal of the Trustee shall be effective until a successor trustee has been appointed pursuant to the terms of the Indenture.

Governing Law. The Indenture and the other documents relating to the Notes will be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

Notices. Notices to the Holders of the Notes will be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the registered Holders of the Notes at their address appearing in the Note Register. In addition, for so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of such exchange so require, notice given to the Holders of any such Class of Notes will also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

Voting Rights of Preferred Shares of HFP. The aggregate amount of the Preferred Shares owned or controlled by HFP and the Servicer Entities in excess of the Original HFP Share Amount will be excluded from voting on certain matters including any Optional Redemption.

### **DELIVERY OF THE NOTES; TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS; SETTLEMENT**

The Notes have not been registered under the Securities Act or any state securities laws and, accordingly, may not be reoffered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. Persons, except in accordance with the restrictions described under "Notices to Purchasers." Terms used in this paragraph have the meanings given to them by Regulation S.

Without limiting the foregoing, by holding a Note, each Holder will acknowledge and agree, among other things, that such Holder understands that neither of the Co-Issuers is registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act, but that the Co-Issuers are exempt from registration as such by virtue of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act, which in general excludes from the definition of an investment company any issuer whose outstanding securities are beneficially owned solely by Qualified Purchasers and which has not made and does not propose to make a public offering of its securities and Rule 3a-7. Any sale or transfer which would violate these provisions shall be void from the time of such sale or transfer, and no sale or transfer may be made if such sale or transfer would require the Co-Issuers to become subject to the requirements of the Investment Company Act.

Each transferee of a Note (excluding any transferee of a Note (other than a Class B-2L Note) who is a non-U.S. Person in an offshore transaction under Regulation S but including any transferee of a Class B-2L Note who is a non-U.S. Person in an offshore transaction under Regulation S) will be deemed to represent at time of transfer that the transferee is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (i) that it is a Qualified Purchaser, (ii) that it is not formed for the purpose of investing in the Notes, unless all of its beneficial owners are Qualified Purchasers, (iii) that it is not a dealer described in paragraph (a)(1)(ii) of Rule 144A unless such transferee owns and invests on a discretionary basis at least U.S.\$25 million in securities of issuers that are not affiliated persons of such dealer, (iv) that it is not a plan referred to in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(D) or (E) of Rule 144A or a trust fund referred to in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(F) of Rule 144A that holds the assets of such plan, unless investment decisions are made solely by the fiduciary, trustee or sponsor of such plan, (v) that it and each account for which it is purchasing is purchasing Notes in at least the minimum denomination and (vi) that it will provide written notice of the foregoing and any other applicable transfer restrictions to any transferee.

The Indenture provides that if, notwithstanding the restrictions on transfer contained therein, the Issuer determines any beneficial owner or Holder of a Note (excluding any transferee of a Note (other than a Class B-2L Note) who is a non-U.S. Person in an offshore transaction under Regulation S but including any transferee of a Class B-2L Note who is a non-U.S. Person in an offshore transaction under Regulation S) is not a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser, the Issuer will require that such beneficial owner or Holder sell all of its right title and interest in such Note to a person who is so qualified, with such sale to be effected within 30 days after notice of such sale requirement is given. If such sale is not effected within such 30 days, upon written direction from the Issuer, the Trustee (or an investment banker selected by the Trustee and approved by the Issuer) will be authorized to conduct a commercially reasonable sale of such Note to a person who does so qualify and pending transfer, no further payments will be made in respect of such Note or any beneficial interest therein.

Except for interests in Notes represented by a Regulation S Global Note or a Rule 144A Global Note as described herein, the Notes will be represented by definitive registered Notes registered in the name of the purchaser thereof.

Unless determined otherwise by the Co-Issuers in accordance with applicable law, the Notes will bear the legend set forth below:

THIS NOTE HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), ANY STATE SECURITIES LAWS IN THE UNITED STATES OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY OTHER JURISDICTION AND MAY NOT BE REOFFERED, RESOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, UNITED STATES PERSONS, EXCEPT AS PERMITTED BY THIS LEGEND. THE HOLDER HEREOF, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF THIS NOTE, REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT REOFFER, RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER THIS NOTE EXCEPT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT AND OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS AND EXCEPT (A) IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, WHOM THE SELLER HAS INFORMED, IN EACH CASE, THAT THE REOFFER, RESALE, PLEDGE OR OTHER TRANSFER IS BEING MADE IN RELIANCE ON RULE 144A, PROVIDED THAT SUCH PURCHASER DELIVERS ALL DOCUMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS AS THE CO-ISSUERS OR THE TRUSTEE MAY REASONABLY REQUIRE; (B) TO A NON U.S. PERSON OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 903 OR 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND, WITH RESPECT TO THE CLASS B-2L NOTES, TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS ALSO A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER; OR (C) TO THE CO-ISSUERS OR THEIR AFFILIATES, IN EACH CASE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANY APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAW OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER JURISDICTION. THE HOLDER HEREOF, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF THIS NOTE, REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT REOFFER, RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER THIS NOTE EXCEPT TO A NON-U.S. PERSON OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATION S AND, WITH RESPECT TO THE CLASS B-2L NOTES, TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS ALSO A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A, OR TO A "QUALIFIED PURCHASER" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE "INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT"), IN A TRANSACTION THAT DOES NOT CAUSE THE CO-ISSUERS TO BE REQUIRED TO REGISTER UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT. FURTHER, THE CLASS A-1LA NOTES, THE CLASS A-1LB NOTES, THE CLASS A-2L NOTES AND THE CLASS A-3L NOTES MAY NOT BE SOLD OR TRANSFERRED UNLESS SUCH SALE OR TRANSFER WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE. THE CLASS B-1L NOTES AND THE CLASS B-2L NOTES MAY NOT BE SOLD OR TRANSFERRED TO ANY PLAN SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, OR TO ANY PERSON ACTING ON BEHALF OF OR WITH "PLAN ASSETS" OF ANY SUCH PLAN, INCLUDING AN INSURANCE COMPANY GENERAL ACCOUNT, UNLESS THE PURCHASER OR TRANSFEREE IS ELIGIBLE FOR THE EXEMPTIVE RELIEF AVAILABLE UNDER ANY OF SECTION 408(b)(17) OF ERISA OR PTCE 96-23, 95-60, 91-38, 90-1 OR 84-14. THE CLASS B-2L NOTES MAY NOT BE SOLD OR TRANSFERRED TO ANY PLAN SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, TO ANY PERSON ACTING ON BEHALF OF OR WITH "PLAN ASSETS" OF ANY SUCH PLAN, OR TO ANY OTHER "BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR" (AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(42) OF ERISA) (A "BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR"), INCLUDING AN INSURANCE COMPANY GENERAL ACCOUNT, EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE.

EACH TRANSFEREE OF A NOTE (EXCLUDING A TRANSFER OF A NOTE (OTHER THAN A CLASS B-2L NOTE) PURSUANT TO REGULATION S BUT INCLUDING A TRANSFER OF A CLASS B-2L NOTE PURSUANT TO REGULATION S) WILL BE DEEMED TO REPRESENT AT TIME OF TRANSFER THAT SUCH TRANSFEREE IS A

QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER OR A NON U.S. PERSON AND (I) THAT IT IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER, (II) THAT IT IS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE NOTES, UNLESS ALL OF ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS ARE QUALIFIED PURCHASERS, (III) THAT IT IS NOT A DEALER DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (a)(1)(ii) OF RULE 144A UNLESS SUCH TRANSFEREE OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS AT LEAST U.S.\$25 MILLION IN SECURITIES OF ISSUERS THAT ARE NOT AFFILIATED PERSONS OF SUCH DEALER, (IV) THAT IT IS NOT A PLAN REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH (a)(1)(i)(D) OR (E) OF RULE 144A OR A TRUST FUND REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH (a)(1)(i)(F) OF RULE 144A THAT HOLDS THE ASSETS OF SUCH PLAN, UNLESS INVESTMENT DECISIONS ARE MADE SOLELY BY THE FIDUCIARY, TRUSTEE OR SPONSOR OF SUCH PLAN, (V) THAT IT AND EACH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS PURCHASING IS PURCHASING NOTES IN AT LEAST THE MINIMUM DENOMINATION AND (VI) THAT IT WILL PROVIDE WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE FOREGOING AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS TO ANY TRANSFEREE.

THE INDENTURE PROVIDES THAT IF, NOTWITHSTANDING THE RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFER CONTAINED THEREIN, THE ISSUER DETERMINES ANY BENEFICIAL OWNER OR HOLDER OF A NOTE (EXCLUDING A TRANSFER OF A NOTE (OTHER THAN A CLASS B-2L NOTE) PURSUANT TO REGULATION S BUT INCLUDING A TRANSFER OF A CLASS B-2L NOTE PURSUANT TO REGULATION S) IS NOT A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER AND A QUALIFIED PURCHASER, THE ISSUER WILL REQUIRE THAT SUCH BENEFICIAL OWNER OR HOLDER SELL ALL OF ITS RIGHT TITLE AND INTEREST IN SUCH NOTE TO A PERSON WHO IS SO QUALIFIED, WITH SUCH SALE TO BE EFFECTED WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER NOTICE OF SUCH SALE REQUIREMENT IS GIVEN. IF SUCH SALE IS NOT EFFECTED WITHIN SUCH 30 DAYS, UPON WRITTEN DIRECTION FROM THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE (OR AN INVESTMENT BANKER SELECTED BY THE TRUSTEE AND APPROVED BY THE ISSUER) WILL BE AUTHORIZED TO CONDUCT A COMMERCIALY REASONABLE SALE OF SUCH NOTE TO A PERSON WHO DOES SO QUALIFY AND PENDING TRANSFER, NO FURTHER PAYMENTS WILL BE MADE IN RESPECT OF SUCH NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN.

TRANSFERS OF THE NOTES MUST GENERALLY BE ACCOMPANIED BY APPROPRIATE TAX TRANSFER DOCUMENTATION AND ARE SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS AS PROVIDED IN THE INDENTURE.

[FOR THE CLASS A-3L NOTES, THE CLASS B-1L NOTES AND THE CLASS B-2L NOTES ONLY] THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS PROVIDED PURSUANT TO UNITED STATES TREASURY REGULATION SECTION 1.1275-3(b). THIS NOTE HAS BEEN ISSUED WITH ORIGINAL ISSUE DISCOUNT FOR UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES. THE HOLDER OF THIS NOTE MAY OBTAIN THE INFORMATION DESCRIBED IN UNITED STATES TREASURY REGULATION SECTION 1.1275-3(b)(1)(i) FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR, AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS: P.O. BOX 1093 GT, GRAND CAYMAN, CAYMAN ISLANDS.

Subject to the restrictions on transfer set forth in the Indenture and the Notes and except with respect to transfer of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note or a Rule 144A Global Note (the procedure for which is set forth in the Indenture), the Holder of any Notes may transfer the same in whole or in part (in a principal amount equal to any authorized denomination) by surrendering such Notes at the corporate trust office of the Trustee or at the office of any transfer agent, together with an executed instrument of assignment and transfer substantially in the form attached to the Indenture. In exchange for any Notes properly presented for transfer with all necessary accompanying documentation, the Trustee will authenticate and deliver at the corporate trust office of the Trustee or the office of the transfer agent, as the case may be, to the transferee or send by first-class mail at the risk of the transferee to such address as the transferee may request, a Note or Notes, for a like aggregate principal amount and

in such authorized denomination or denominations as may be requested. The presentation for transfer of any Notes will not be valid unless made at the office of the Trustee designated for such purpose or at the office of a transfer agent by the registered Holder in person, or by a duly authorized attorney-in-fact. The Holder of a Note will not be required to bear the costs and expenses of effecting any transfer or registration of transfer, except that the relevant Holder will be required to bear (i) the expenses of delivery by other than regular mail (if any) and (ii) if the Co-Issuers so require, the payment of a sum sufficient to cover any duty, stamp tax or governmental charge or insurance charges that may be imposed in relation thereto.

#### Settlement

All payments in respect of the Notes shall be made in United States dollars in same-day funds.

### **CERTAIN TAX CONSIDERATIONS**

#### Introduction

The following is a summary of certain of the United States federal income tax consequences of an investment in the Notes by purchasers that acquire their Notes in the initial offering. The discussion and the opinions referenced below are based upon laws, regulations, rulings, and decisions in effect and available on the date hereof, all of which are subject to change, possibly with retroactive effect. Prospective investors should note that no rulings have been or are expected to be sought from the Internal Revenue Service (the "**IRS**") with respect to any of the United States federal income tax consequences discussed below, and no assurance can be given that the IRS will not take contrary positions. Further, the following summary does not deal with all United States federal income tax consequences applicable to any given investor, nor does it address the United States federal income tax considerations applicable to all categories of investors, some of which may be subject to special rules, such as Non-U.S. Holders (defined below), banks, grantor trusts, REITs, RICs, insurance companies, tax-exempt organizations, dealers or traders in securities or currencies, electing large partnerships natural persons, cash method taxpayers, S corporations, certain expatriates, estates and trusts, investors that hold their Notes as part of a hedge, straddle, or an integrated or conversion transaction, or investors whose "functional currency" is not the United States dollar. Furthermore, it does not address alternative minimum tax consequences, estate or gift tax consequences, or the indirect effects on investors of equity interests in either a U.S. Holder (as defined below) or a Non-U.S. Holder. In addition, this summary is generally limited to investors that acquire their Notes on the Closing Date for the issue price applicable to such Notes and who will hold their Notes as "capital assets" within the meaning of Section 1221 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "**Code**"). Also, because any Non-U.S. Holder of Notes will be deemed to have represented, by virtue of its acquisition of the Notes, that it did not purchase the Notes pursuant to a tax avoidance plan with respect to United States federal income taxes (within the meaning of Treasury Regulation § 1.881-3(b)), this summary does not address the tax consequences applicable to Non-U.S. Holders that acquire their Notes pursuant to such a plan. Investors should consult their own tax advisors to determine the United States federal, state, local, and other tax consequences of the purchase, ownership, and disposition of the Notes.

As used herein, "**U.S. Holder**" means any Holder or beneficial owner of a Note that is an individual citizen or resident of the United States for United States federal income tax purposes, a corporation or other entity taxable as a corporation created or organized in or under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (including the District of Columbia), an estate the income of which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of its source, or a trust where a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and one or more United States persons (as defined in the Code) have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust (or a trust that has made a valid election under United States Treasury Regulations to be treated as a domestic trust). "**Non-U.S. Holder**" means any Holder or beneficial owner of a Note that is not a U.S. Holder, other than a partnership. If a partnership holds Notes, the tax treatment of a partner will generally depend upon the status of the partner and upon the activities of the partnership. Partners of partnerships holding Notes should consult their own tax advisors regarding the tax consequences of an investment in the Notes (including their status as U.S. Holders or Non-U.S. Holders).

#### United States Federal Income Tax Consequences to the Issuer

Upon the issuance of the Notes, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, special United States tax counsel to the Issuer, will deliver an opinion generally to the effect that under current law, and assuming compliance with the Indenture (and certain other documents) and based on certain factual representations made by the Issuer and the

Servicer, although the matter is not free from doubt, the permitted activities of the Issuer will not cause the Issuer to be engaged in the conduct of a trade or business in the United States. Accordingly, the Issuer does not expect to be subject to net income taxation in the United States. Prospective investors should be aware that opinions of counsel are not binding on the IRS and the IRS might seek to treat the Issuer as engaged in a United States trade or business. If the IRS were successfully to characterize the Issuer as engaged in a United States trade or business, among other consequences, the Issuer would be subject to net income taxation in the United States (as well as the branch profits tax) on its income that is effectively connected to the United States trade or business. The levying of such taxes would materially affect the Issuer's financial ability to pay principal and interest on the Notes.

The opinion of special U.S. tax counsel is subject to several considerations. Thus, the Issuer and Servicer are entitled to rely upon advice of counsel with respect to deviations from the investment guidelines set forth in the Servicing Agreement; the foregoing opinion assumes (except in instances where Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP is providing the advice) that any such advice will be correct and complete. Additionally, it should be noted that the United States Treasury Department and the IRS recently announced that they are considering taxpayer requests for specific guidance on, among other things, whether a foreign person may be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States by virtue of entering into credit default swaps. No guidance has been issued to date. If any future guidance concludes that foreign persons entering into certain credit default swaps will be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States, such guidance would adversely impact the Issuer's ability to pay principal and interest on the Notes. Further, it should be noted that gain or loss on a disposition by a foreign person of a United States real property interest may be subject to United States federal income tax as if the foreign person were engaged in a United States trade or business (even if the foreign person is not actually so engaged). The determination of whether an asset constitutes a United States real property interest is made periodically and, therefore, it is possible that an asset that was not a United States real property interest at the time it was acquired by the Issuer could, thereafter, become a United States real property interest. Finally, if the Issuer accepted a new security in exchange for an existing security or if the terms of an existing security were modified, the new or modified security might cause the Issuer to become engaged in a United States trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes.

The Issuer intends to acquire the Portfolio Collateral and Eligible Investments the interest on which and any gain from the sale or disposition with respect to which is not expected to be subject to United States federal withholding tax or withholding tax imposed by other countries (unless, in the case of interest, the obligor is required to "gross up" its payments to compensate for these taxes). The Issuer will not, however, make any independent investigation of the circumstances surrounding the issuance of the individual assets comprising the Portfolio Collateral and, thus, there can be no assurance that payments of interest on and gain from the sale or disposition of the Portfolio Collateral will in all cases be received free of withholding tax. It is not expected that the Issuer will derive material amounts of any other items of income that will be subject to United States withholding taxes. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any commitment fee, facility fee or other similar fee that the Issuer earns may be subject to a 30% United States federal withholding tax and any lending fees received under a Securities Lending Agreement may also be subject to such tax. Additionally, if the Issuer is a CFC (defined below), the Issuer would incur United States withholding tax on interest received from a related United States person. If withholding or deduction of any taxes is required from payments received by the Issuer or is required from any payments made by the Issuer on the Notes, the Issuer shall be under no obligation to make any additional payments to any holder in respect of such withholding or deduction.

#### Tax Treatment of U.S. Holders of the Notes

The Issuer has agreed and, by its acceptance of a Note, each holder will be deemed to have agreed, to treat each of the Notes as debt of the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes. Upon the issuance of the Notes, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP will deliver an opinion generally to the effect that, assuming compliance with the Indenture (and certain other documents) and based on certain factual representations made by the Issuer and the Servicer, the Notes should be characterized as debt for United States federal income tax purposes. Prospective investors should be aware that opinions of counsel are not binding on the IRS, and there can be no assurance that the IRS will not seek to characterize any Class of Notes as other than indebtedness. However, except as provided under "Alternative Characterizations of the Notes," the balance of this discussion assumes that the Notes will be characterized as debt of the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes.

Each U.S. Holder will include interest on the Notes in income in accordance with its regular method of accounting for Federal income tax purposes unless the Notes are viewed as having been issued with original issue discount ("**OID**") in which case, generally, each U.S. Holder would be required to accrue interest on the Note on an accrual basis under a constant yield methodology, based on the original yield to maturity of the Note. Because interest on the Class A-3L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes and Class B-2L Notes may be deferred without giving rise to an Event of Default, all interest (including interest on accrued but unpaid interest) will be treated as OID unless the likelihood of deferral is remote. The Issuer has not determined whether the likelihood of interest being deferred is remote for this purpose, and hence will treat the interest on the Class A-3L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes and Class B-2L Notes as OID. (Additionally, the Issuer will treat a Class of Notes as having been issued with OID if (A) such Class is issued at a discount equal to or in excess of the product of 0.25% of the stated redemption price at maturity of such Class and the anticipated weighted average life of such Class or (B) in the case of certain Classes of Notes that bear interest at a floating rate, the issue price of such Class exceeds the principal amount thereof by more than the lesser of (i) 15% or (ii) 0.015 multiplied by the anticipated weighted average maturity of the Class of Notes.) Any accrued but unpaid OID included in income by a U.S. Holder would increase the U.S. Holder's basis in the Note and thereby reduce the amount of gain or increase the amount of loss recognized by the U.S. Holder on a subsequent sale or other disposition of the Note.

If any of the Notes are viewed as having been issued with OID, the OID may be accruable under the special rules set forth in Section 1272(a)(6) of the Code (which apply to debt instruments that may be accelerated by reason of the prepayment of other debt obligations securing such debt instruments). If Section 1272(a)(6) does not apply, the Notes might be treated as "contingent payment debt instruments" ("**CPDIs**") within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.1275-4. If any Class of Notes were considered CPDIs, among other consequences, gain on the sale of such Notes that might otherwise be capital gain would be ordinary income. Prospective investors should consult their own tax advisors regarding the potential application of Section 1272(a)(6) of the Code to the Notes and the rules governing CPDIs.

The United States federal income tax consequences of a Maturity Extension are unclear. If a Maturity Extension occurs with respect to the Notes, the Issuer intends to treat such Notes, solely for purposes of sections 1272 and 1273 of the Code, as having been retired and reissued for an amount equal to their adjusted issue price on the date of the new Extension Effective Date. Additionally, U.S. Holders may be deemed for United States federal income tax purpose to have exchanged their Notes in a taxable exchange for new notes with an extended final maturity date (the "**New Notes**") if, at such time, the Extension Qualifying Purchaser is related to the Issuer within the meaning of Section 267(b) or 707(b)(1) of the Code. If such relationship existed, U.S. Holders that did not exercise their right to put their Notes to the Extension Qualifying Purchaser may be treated as having acquired such New Notes with market discount or premium (and there might be other possible tax consequences). In addition, if the Notes are treated as exchanged for New Notes, the characterization of the New Notes (as debt or equity) would depend on the facts and circumstances existing at the time of such deemed exchange. In the event of a Maturity Extension, all U.S. Holders are urged to consult their own tax advisors with respect to whether the Extension Qualifying Purchaser is related to the Issuer, and, if so, the United States federal income tax consequences of any deemed exchange.

The tax treatment of the Extension Bonus Payment and CDS/TRS Termination Payment is also unclear. The Issuer intends to take the position that these payments are either incidental payments within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.1275-2(h)(3) or constitute options that the Issuer is presumed not exercise pursuant to the rules set forth in Treasury Regulation Section 1.1272-1(c)(5), such that the amount of the payments would not be treated as OID but, instead, would be includible in income as ordinary income in accordance with the U.S. Holder's normal method of tax accounting. The Issuer's determination with respect to this issue will not be binding on the IRS, but will be binding on any U.S. Holder that does not disclose an objection on its timely filed tax return for the taxable year that includes the acquisition date of such Note. U.S. Holders should consult with their own tax advisors concerning the proper taxation and characterization of such payments, and whether the right to such payments could cause the Notes to be subject to the OID rules or to be treated as CPDIs.

In general, a U.S. Holder of a Note will have a basis in such Note equal to the cost of such Note to such U.S. Holder, increased by any amount includible in income by such U.S. Holder as OID and any market discount that the U.S. Holder has elected to include in income on a current basis and reduced by any amortized premium, any principal payments and any payments of OID. Upon a sale, exchange or other disposition of a Note, a U.S. Holder



will generally recognize gain or loss equal to the difference between the amount realized on the sale, exchange or other disposition (less any accrued and unpaid interest, which would be taxable as such) and the U.S. Holder's tax basis in such Note (as reduced by any accrued and unpaid interest). Such gain or loss generally will be long-term capital gain or loss if the U.S. Holder held the Note for more than one year at the time of disposition (other than accrued market discount if the U.S. Holder did not elect to include such discount in income on a current basis). In certain circumstances, U.S. Holders that are individuals may be entitled to preferential treatment for net long-term capital gains; however, the ability of U.S. Holders to offset capital losses against ordinary income is limited.

The Indenture provides that Holders of any Class of Notes may elect to acquire credit enhancement on terms and conditions acceptable to such Holders. Prior to acquiring such enhancement, U.S. Holders should consult with their own tax advisors concerning the treatment of the credit enhancement for United States federal income tax purposes (including the viability of integrating the Notes and the credit enhancement).

#### Alternative Characterizations of the Notes

Notwithstanding special United States tax counsel's opinion, U.S. Holders should recognize that there is some uncertainty regarding the appropriate classification of instruments such as the Notes. It is possible, for example, that the IRS may contend that the Class B-2L Notes and, possibly, other Classes of Notes should be treated as equity interests (or as part debt, part equity) in the Issuer. Such a recharacterization might result in materially adverse tax consequences to U.S. Holders.

If U.S. Holders of a Class of Notes were treated as owning equity interests in the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes, subject to the rules discussed below relating to "passive foreign investment companies" ("PFICs") and "controlled foreign corporations" ("CFCs"), payments on such Notes should be treated as dividends to the extent of the current or accumulated earnings and profits of the Issuer. Payments characterized as dividends would be taxable at regular marginal income tax rates applicable to ordinary income, and would not be entitled to the benefit of the dividends received deduction or any reduction in tax rates that may be available for certain dividends. Distributions in excess of the Issuer's earnings and profits would be non-taxable to the extent of, and would be applied against and reduce, the U.S. Holder's adjusted tax basis in the Notes and, to the extent in excess of such basis, would be taxable as gain from the sale or exchange of property.

The tax consequences discussed in the preceding paragraph are likely to be significantly modified as a result of the application of the PFIC and CFC rules discussed below. Thus, U.S. Holders of a Class of Notes characterized as equity for United States federal income tax purposes will be viewed as owning stock in a PFIC and, possibly, in a CFC (depending, in the latter instance, on the percentage of voting equity that is acquired and held by certain U.S. Holders). If applicable, the rules pertaining to CFCs would generally override those pertaining to PFICs, although in certain circumstances both set of rules could apply simultaneously.

Under the PFIC rules, U.S. Holders of any Class of Notes characterized as equity for United States federal income tax purposes (other than U.S. Holders that make a timely "QEF election," as described below) will be subject to special rules relating to the taxation of "excess distributions" – with excess distributions being defined to include certain distributions made by a PFIC on its stock as well as gain recognized on a disposition of PFIC stock. (For this purpose, a U.S. Holder that uses its Notes as security for an obligation may be treated as having made a disposition of PFIC stock.) In general, Section 1291 of the Code provides that the amount of any "excess distribution" will be allocated to each day of the U.S. Holder's holding period for its PFIC stock. The amount allocated to the current year will be included in the U.S. Holder's gross income for the current year as ordinary income. With respect to amounts allocated to prior years, the tax imposed for the current year will be increased by the "deferred tax amount," which is an amount calculated with respect to each prior year by multiplying the amount allocated to such year by the highest rate of tax in effect for such year, together with an interest charge as though the amounts of tax were overdue.

In order to avoid the application of the PFIC rules, each U.S. Holder should consider making a qualified electing fund election (the "**QEF election**") provided in Section 1295 of the Code on a "protective" basis (although such protective election may not be respected by the IRS because current regulations do not authorize protective QEF elections for debt that may be recharacterized as equity). In lieu of the PFIC rules discussed above, a U.S.

Holder of Notes characterized as equity for United States federal income tax purposes that makes a valid QEF election will, in very general terms, be required to include its pro rata share of the Issuer's ordinary income and net capital gains, unreduced by any prior year losses, in income for each taxable year (as ordinary income and long-term capital gain, respectively) and to pay tax thereon, even if the amount of that income is not the same as the interest or OID, if any, paid on the Notes during the year. If the Issuer later distributes the income or gain that the U.S. Holder has already included in income under the QEF rules, the amounts so distributed will not again be included in income in the hands of the U.S. Holder. A U.S. Holder's tax basis in any Notes characterized as equity for United States federal income tax purposes as to which a QEF election has been validly made will be increased by the amount included in such U.S. Holder's income as a result of the QEF election and decreased by the amount of nontaxable distributions received by the U.S. Holder. On the disposition (including redemption or retirement) of a Note characterized as equity for United States federal income tax purposes, a U.S. Holder making the QEF election generally will recognize capital gain or loss equal to the difference, if any, between the amount realized upon such disposition and its adjusted tax basis in the Note. In general, a protective QEF election should be made on or before the due date for filing a U.S. Holder's federal income tax return for the first taxable year for which the U.S. Holder has held its Notes. In this regard, a QEF election is effective only if certain required information is made available by the Issuer. Upon request, the Issuer will provide any U.S. Holder of a Class of Notes that may reasonably be characterized as equity in the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes with the information necessary for such U.S. Holder to make the QEF election. Nonetheless, there can be no assurance that such information will always be available.

The Issuer may be treated as holding securities issued by non-U.S. corporations that are characterized as equity in one or more PFICs for United States federal income tax purposes. In that event, U.S. Holders of Notes characterized as equity for United States federal income tax purposes would be treated as holding an interest in these indirectly-owned PFICs. Because the U.S. Holder – and not the Issuer – would be required to make any QEF election with respect any such indirectly-owned PFIC, and because PFIC information statements necessary for any such election may not be made available by the PFIC, there can be no assurance that a U.S. Holder would be able to make a QEF election with respect to any particular indirectly-held PFIC. If the U.S. Holder of any Notes characterized as equity for United States federal income tax purposes has not made a QEF election with respect to an indirectly-owned PFIC, the U.S. Holder would be subject to the consequences described above with respect to the excess distributions of such PFIC (including gain indirectly realized with respect to such PFIC on the sale of the Issuer's interest in the PFIC and gain indirectly realized with respect to such PFIC on the sale by the U.S. Holder of its Notes). Alternatively, if the U.S. Holder has made a QEF election with respect to the indirectly-owned PFIC, the U.S. Holder would be required to include in income its share of the indirectly-owned PFIC's ordinary earnings and net capital gain.

United States tax law contains special provisions relating to CFCs. A foreign corporation is a CFC if "U.S. Shareholders" in the aggregate own, directly or indirectly, more than 50% of the voting power or value of the stock of such corporation. For this purpose, a United States person that owns, directly or indirectly, ten percent or more of the voting stock of a CFC is considered a "U.S. Shareholder" with respect to the CFC. If any U.S. Holder of Notes recharacterized as equity were properly viewed as a U.S. Shareholder of the Issuer under the CFC rules, the U.S. Holder would be subject each year to U.S. income tax (at ordinary income rates) on its pro rata share of the income of the Issuer (assuming that the Issuer is properly classified as a CFC for the year and that the U.S. Holder holds its Notes as of the end of the year), regardless of the amount of cash distributions received by the U.S. Holder with respect to its Notes during the year. Earnings subject to tax to a U.S. Holder under the CFC rules generally would not be taxed again when distributed to the U.S. Holder. In addition, if the Issuer is a CFC and a U.S. Holder is a U.S. Shareholder with respect to the Issuer, all or a portion of the income that otherwise would be characterized as capital gain upon a sale of U.S. Holder's Notes may be classified as ordinary income. Certain income generated by a corporation conducting a banking, financing, insurance, or other similar business is not includible in a U.S. Shareholder's income under the CFC rules. However, by its acceptance of a Note, each Holder will be deemed to have agreed that the Issuer is not engaged in any such business. Accordingly, if the CFC rules were to apply, a U.S. Holder of any Class of Notes that is characterized as equity for United States federal income tax purposes and that constitutes a U.S. Shareholder under the CFC rules would generally be subject to tax on its share of all of the Issuer's income.

Prospective investors should be aware that, in computing the Issuer's earnings for purposes of the CFC rules, losses on dispositions of securities in bearer form may not be allowed. Additionally, in computing the Issuer's ordinary earnings and net capital gains for purposes of the PFIC rules, losses on dispositions of securities in bearer

form may not be allowed, and any gain on such securities may be ordinary rather than capital. Further, investors should be aware that, in the event that any of the Notes is not fully paid upon maturity (other than Notes, if any, characterized as equity for United States federal income tax purposes), the Issuer may recognize cancellation of indebtedness income for United States federal income tax purposes, without any corresponding offsetting loss (due to tax character differences or otherwise). In such a case, U.S. Holders of any Class of Notes treated as equity for United States federal income tax purposes may need to recognize phantom income as a result of such recognition by the Issuer (pursuant to the QEF and CFC rules discussed above), as to which an offsetting loss may not be available to the U.S. Holders.

#### Information Reporting Requirements

Information reporting to the IRS may be required with respect to payments on the Notes, and proceeds of the sale of the Notes to Holders other than corporations and certain other exempt recipients. A "backup" withholding tax may also apply to those payments if a Holder fails to provide certain identifying information (such as the Holder's taxpayer identification number or an attestation to the status of the Holder as a Non-U.S. Holder). Backup withholding is not an additional tax and may be refunded (or credited against the Holder's U.S. federal income tax liability, if any) *provided* that certain required information is furnished to the IRS in a timely manner.

Prospective investors should consult with their own tax advisors regarding whether they are required to file an IRS Form 8886 in respect of this transaction (relating to certain "reportable transactions"). Thus, for example, if a U.S. Holder were to sell its Notes at a loss, it is possible that this loss could constitute a reportable transaction, and need to be reported on Form 8886. As another example, a transaction may be reportable if it is offered under conditions of confidentiality. In this regard, each Holder and beneficial owner of the Notes (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) is hereby advised that it is permitted to disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions described herein (including the ownership and disposition of the Notes). Significant penalties apply for failure to file Form 8886 when required, and Holders and beneficial owners of the Notes are therefore urged to consult their own tax advisors.

If the Class B-2L Notes or any other Class of Notes were classified as equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes, U.S. Holders of such Notes may be required to file Forms with the IRS under applicable reporting provisions of the Code. Thus, for example, under Section 6038, 6038B and/or 6046 of the Code, such U.S. Holders would be required to supply the IRS with certain information regarding the U.S. Holder, other U.S. Holders and/or the Issuer if (i) such U.S. Holder owns at least 10% of the total value or 10% of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock entitled to vote or (ii) the acquisition of Notes, when aggregated with certain other acquisitions that may be treated as related under applicable regulations, exceeds \$100,000. Upon request, the Issuer will provide U.S. Holders of any Class of Notes that may reasonably be recharacterized as equity for United States federal income tax purposes with information available to the Issuer that may be needed by the U.S. Holder to complete any Form that is so required. In the event a U.S. Holder fails to file a form when required to do so, the U.S. Holder could be subject to substantial tax penalties.

#### Tax Treatment of Non-U.S. Holders of the Notes

A Non-U.S. Holder of a Note that has no connection with the United States other than holding its Notes should generally not be subject to United States withholding tax on interest payments (including original issue discount) in respect of a Note and also should not be subject to United States federal income tax on gains recognized in connection with the sale or other disposition of the Notes, *provided* that the non U.S. Holder makes certain tax representations regarding the identity of the beneficial owner of the Notes (and, with respect to gain recognized in connection with the sale or other disposition of Notes by a non resident alien individual, *provided* that such individual is not present in the United States for 183 days or more in the taxable year of the sale or other disposition).

#### Circular 230

Under 31 C.F.R. part 10, the regulations governing practice before the IRS (Circular 230), the Co-Issuers and their tax advisors are (or may be) required to inform prospective investors that:

- Any advice contained herein, including any opinions of counsel referred to herein, is not intended or written to be used, and cannot be used by any taxpayer, for the purpose of avoiding penalties that may be imposed on the taxpayer;
- Any such advice is written to support the promotion or marketing of the Notes and the transactions described herein (or in such opinion or other advice); and

Each taxpayer should seek advice based on the taxpayer's particular circumstances from an independent tax advisor.

### **CAYMAN ISLANDS TAX CONSEQUENCES**

The following discussion of certain Cayman Islands income tax consequences of an investment in the Notes is based on the advice of Maples and Calder as to Cayman Islands law. The discussion is a general summary of present law, which is subject to prospective and retroactive change. It assumes that the Issuer will conduct its affairs in accordance with assumptions made by, and representations made to, counsel. It is not intended as tax advice, does not consider any investor's particular circumstances, and does not consider tax consequences other than those arising under Cayman Islands law.

Under existing Cayman Islands laws:

- (i) payments of principal and interest in respect of the Notes will not be subject to taxation in the Cayman Islands and no withholding will be required on such payments to any Holder of a Note and gains derived from the sale of Notes will not be subject to Cayman Islands income or corporation tax. The Cayman Islands currently have no income, corporation or capital gains tax and no estate duty, inheritance tax or gift tax; and
- (ii) the Holder of any Note (or the legal personal representative of such Holder) whose Note is brought into the Cayman Islands may in certain circumstances be liable to pay stamp duty imposed under the laws of the Cayman Islands in respect of such Note.

The Issuer has been incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands as an exempted company and, as such, has applied for and obtained an undertaking from the Governor In Cabinet of the Cayman Islands in the following form:

#### **The Tax Concessions Law**

**(1999 Revision)**

#### **Undertaking as to Tax Concessions**

In accordance with Section 6 of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision) the Governor in Cabinet undertakes with Rockwall CDO II Ltd. (the "**Company**"):

- (a) that no law which is hereafter enacted in the Islands imposing any tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations shall apply to the Company or its operations; and
- (b) in addition, that no tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations or which is in the nature of estate duty or inheritance tax shall be payable
  - (i) on or in respect of the shares, debentures or other obligations of the Company; or
  - (ii) by way of the withholding in whole or in part of any relevant payment as defined in Section 6(3) of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision).

These concessions shall be for a period of twenty years from the 2nd day of May 2006.

### CERTAIN ERISA CONSIDERATIONS

The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("**ERISA**"), imposes requirements on employee benefit plans (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) subject to Title I of ERISA ("**ERISA Plans**") and on persons who are fiduciaries (as defined in Section 3(21) of ERISA) with respect to such ERISA Plans. Investments by ERISA Plans are subject to ERISA's general fiduciary requirements, including the requirement of investment prudence and diversification, requirements respecting delegation of investment authority and the requirement that an ERISA Plan's investments be made in accordance with the documents governing the ERISA Plan. Each ERISA Plan fiduciary should give appropriate consideration to the facts and circumstances that are relevant to an investment in the Notes, including the role that an investment in the Notes plays in the Plan's investment portfolio. Before deciding to invest "plan assets" of any ERISA Plan in the Notes, the investing ERISA Plan fiduciary should be satisfied that investment in the Notes is a prudent investment for the ERISA Plan, that the investments of the ERISA Plan, including the investment in the Notes, are diversified so as to minimize the risk of large losses and that an investment in the Notes complies with the ERISA Plan and related trust documents. Any person who decides to invest "plan assets" of an ERISA Plan in the Notes should consider, among other factors, the factors discussed above under "Special Considerations."

Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code prohibit ERISA Plans, as well as individual retirement accounts and Keogh plans, subject to either or both of such statutes (each, a "**Plan**") from engaging in certain transactions with persons that are "parties in interest" under ERISA or "disqualified persons" under Section 4975 of the Code (collectively, "**Parties in Interest**") with respect to such Plans. A violation of these prohibited transaction rules may result in an excise tax or other penalties and liabilities under ERISA and/or Section 4975 of the Code for such persons.

Certain transactions involving the purchase, holding or transfer of the Notes might be deemed to constitute or result in prohibited transactions under ERISA and/or Section 4975 of the Code. For example, if the "plan assets" of an investing Plan were deemed to include assets of the Issuer and if any of the Portfolio Collateral constitutes an obligation of or is purchased from or sold to a Party in Interest with respect to such Plan, an indirect prohibited transaction in the nature of an extension of credit or a purchase or sale of assets between such Plan and such Party in Interest might be deemed to occur. In addition, if the assets of the Issuer were deemed to be "plan assets" of any Plan investors, Notes sold to a Party in Interest with respect to such Plan would constitute a prohibited extension of credit transaction, possibly subjecting such Noteholder to excise taxes under Section 4975 of the Code. Under regulations issued by the United States Department of Labor (the "**DOL**"), set forth in 29 C.F.R. § 2510.3-101, as modified by Section 3(42) of ERISA (the "**Plan Asset Regulations**"), the assets of the Issuer would be treated as "plan assets" of a Plan for purposes of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code if the Plan acquires an equity interest in the Issuer and none of the exceptions contained in the Plan Asset Regulations applies. An equity interest is defined under the Plan Asset Regulations as any interest in an entity other than an instrument which is treated as indebtedness under applicable local law and which has no substantial equity features.

Although there is no authority directly on point, it is anticipated that the Notes (other than the Class B-2L Notes) should be treated as indebtedness under local law and should not be treated as having substantial equity features for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulations. However, without regard to whether (i) the Notes are treated as an equity interest for such purposes or (ii) the assets of the Issuer are deemed to be "plan assets" of an investing Plan, the acquisition or holding of Notes by or on behalf of, or with "plan assets" of, a Plan could be considered to give rise to a prohibited transaction if the Issuer, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers, the Servicer, an issuer of an item of Portfolio Collateral, or any of their respective affiliates is or becomes a Party in Interest with respect to an investing Plan. Certain exemptions from the prohibited transaction rules could apply to the acquisition of a Note by or with "plan assets" of a Plan, depending on the type and circumstances of the Plan fiduciary making the decision to acquire a Note. Included among these exemptions are the statutory prohibited transaction exemption available to "service providers" to Plans (*provided* that the service provider is neither a fiduciary with respect to the "plan assets" being used to acquire the Notes nor an affiliate of such a fiduciary, and that the transaction is for adequate consideration), DOL Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption ("**PTCE**") 96-23, regarding transactions effected by certain "in-house asset managers"; PTCE 95-60, regarding investments by insurance company general accounts; PTCE 91-38, regarding investments by bank collective investment funds; PTCE 90-1, regarding investments by insurance company pooled separate accounts; and PTCE 84-14, regarding transactions effected by independent "qualified professional asset managers." However, even if the conditions specified in one or more of these

exemptions are met, the scope of the relief provided by these exemptions might or might not cover all acts which might be construed as prohibited transactions and in particular would not apply to prohibited transactions arising from the operations of the Issuer.

In any event, a fiduciary or other person investing "plan assets" of any Plan should not purchase Notes if the Issuer, the Initial Purchasers, the Trustee, the Servicer or any of their respective affiliates (a) has investment discretion with respect to the investment of such assets; (b) has authority or responsibility to give or regularly gives investment advice with respect to such assets, for a fee, pursuant to an agreement or understanding that such advice will serve as a primary basis for investment decisions with respect to such assets and that such advice will be based on the particular investment needs of such Plan; or (c) unless PTCE 95-60, 91-38 or 90-1 is applicable, is an employer maintaining or contributing to such Plan. A party that is described in clause (a) or (b) of the preceding sentence is a fiduciary under ERISA with respect to the Plan and any such purchase might result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code.

As a general rule, certain employee benefit plans, including governmental plans (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA) and certain church plans (as defined in Section 3(33) of ERISA), are not subject to ERISA's requirements. Accordingly, assets of many such plans may be invested in the Notes without regard to ERISA's prohibited transaction considerations described above, subject to the provisions of other applicable federal and state law. However, any such plan which is qualified and exempt from taxation under Sections 401(a) and 501(a) of the Code may nonetheless be subject to the prohibited transaction rules set forth in Section 503 of the Code and, under certain circumstances in the case of church plans, Section 4975 of the Code. Also, some governmental plans are subject to federal, state or local laws which are, to a material extent, similar to the provisions of Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (a "**Similar Law**"). Each governmental plan fiduciary should make its own determination as to the need for and the availability of any exemptive relief under a Similar Law.

***Each Holder of a Class A-1LA Note, a Class A-1LB, a Class A-2L Note or a Class A-3L Note, by its acquisition thereof, shall be deemed to represent to the Issuer, the Servicer and the Trustee that either (i) no part of the funds being used to pay the purchase price for such Note constitutes "plan assets" of any Plan, or (ii) if the funds being used to pay the purchase price for such Note includes "plan assets" of any Plan, an exemption to the prohibited transaction rules applies.***

***Each Holder of a Class B-1L Note, by its acquisition thereof, shall be deemed to represent to the Issuer, the Servicer and the Trustee that either (a) the purchaser or transferee is not a Plan and is not acquiring the Class B-1L Note with assets of a Plan or (b) it is an insurance company and such funds include only assets of its general account, and its acquisition and holding of such Note are eligible for exemptive relief available under Section I of PTCE 95-60, or the acquisition and holding of the Class B-1L Notes by the purchaser or transferee are eligible for the exemptive relief under any of Section 408(b)(17) of ERISA or PTCE 96-23, 91-38, 90-1 or 84-14.***

Although there is no authority directly on point, it is anticipated that the Class B-2L Notes will be treated as equity interests for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulations. An exception under the Plan Asset Regulations provides that an investing Plan's assets will not include any of the underlying assets of an entity if equity participation in the entity by "benefit plan investors" is not "significant." Section 3(42) of ERISA defines a "benefit plan investor" as including (i) an employee benefit plan (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA), that is subject to Title I of ERISA; (ii) a plan described in and subject to Section 4975 of the Code; and (iii) an entity whose underlying assets include "plan assets" by reason of a Plan's investment in the entity (a "**Benefit Plan Investor**"). The Plan Asset Regulations provide that equity participation in an entity by Benefit Plan Investors is "significant" if, immediately after the most recent acquisition of any equity interest in the entity, 25% or more of the value of any class of equity interests in the entity is held by Benefit Plan Investors. For purposes of determining whether this 25% threshold has been met or exceeded, the value of any equity interests held by a person (other than such Benefit Plan Investor) who has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the entity, or any person who provides investment advice for a fee (directly or indirectly) with respect to such assets, or any affiliate of such person, is disregarded.

Accordingly, except as set forth below, the Class B-2L Notes may not be acquired or held by or on behalf of, or with "plan assets" of, any Plan or other Benefit Plan Investor, including an insurance company general account. However, the Class B-2L Notes may be acquired and held by or on behalf of, or with "plan assets" of, a Plan or other Benefit Plan Investor if:

(a) (1)(A) The investor is purchasing the Class B-2L Notes with assets of an "insurance company general account" (within the meaning of PTCE 95 60) (a "**General Account**"); (B) the investor's purchase and holding of the Class B-2L Notes are eligible for the exemptive relief available under Section I of PTCE 95 60; (C) less than 25% of the assets of such General Account constitute "plan assets" of Benefit Plan Investors; and (D) if, after the initial acquisition of Class B-2L Notes, during any calendar quarter 25% or more of the assets of such General Account (as determined by such insurance company) constitute "plan assets" of any Plan or other Benefit Plan Investor and full exemptive relief from the prohibited transaction prohibitions of Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code is not available under Section 401(c) of ERISA and the regulations thereunder then such investor will dispose of all of the Class B-2L Notes then held in such General Account by the end of the next following calendar quarter; or (2) the investor's purchase and holding of the Class B-2L Notes are eligible for the exemptive relief available under any of Section 408(b)(17) of ERISA or PTCE 96-23, 91-38, 90-1 or 84-14 and the purchase and holding of such Note does not constitute a violation of similar law; and

(b) After giving effect to such purchase and all other purchases occurring simultaneously therewith, less than 25% of the Class B-2L Notes (excluding any Class B-2L Notes held by the Servicer or its affiliates) will be held by Benefit Plan Investors.

In addition, except as otherwise provided in the Indenture, if an investor (whether or not it is a Plan or a Benefit Plan Investor) purchases a Class B-2L Note and if, after giving effect to such purchase, the investor (or its affiliates) will own 50% or more of the aggregate par value of the Class B-2L Notes, the investor should consult with its counsel regarding the effect such an investment may have on its ability (and that of its affiliates and their Plans) to purchase Class A Notes or Class B-1L Notes in reliance upon any of PTCE 96-23, 95-60, 91-38, 90-1 or 84-14.

Except with respect to certain secondary market transactions through Bear Stearns, as more fully described in the Indenture, by its purchase of the Class B-2L Notes, each purchaser and transferee will be required to represent and warrant to and agree with the Issuer, the Servicer and the Trustee that (i) its purchase and holding of such Class B-2L Notes will satisfy the ERISA requirements with respect to the 25% limitation described above and (ii) it will not assign or transfer such Class B-2L Notes unless (1) the proposed assignee or transferee delivers a letter to the Issuer evidencing its agreement to the foregoing ERISA representations and covenants with respect to its purchase, holding and transfer of such Class B-2L Notes and (2) if the investor:

(x) Is not (and is not acting on behalf of) a Benefit Plan Investor, the assignee or transferee will also not be a Benefit Plan Investor; or

(y) Is (or is acting on behalf of) a General Account, the assignee or transferee will be accurately identified in such letter as either another General Account or a person who is not (and is not acting on behalf of) a Benefit Plan Investor; or

(z) Is (or is acting on behalf of or with "plan assets" of) a Benefit Plan Investor (other than a General Account), the assignee or transferee will be accurately identified in such letter as either a General Account, another Benefit Plan Investor or a person who is not (and is not acting on behalf of) any Benefit Plan Investor.

*Each Holder of a Class B-2L Note, by its acquisition thereof, shall be deemed to represent to the Issuer, the Servicer and the Trustee that either (a) no part of the funds being used to pay the purchase price for such Note constitutes "plan assets" of any Plan, or (b) if the funds being used to pay the purchase price for such Note include "plan assets" of any Plan or any other Benefit Plan Investor, (1) either (i) it is an insurance company and such funds include only assets of its general account, and its acquisition and holding of such Class B-2L Note are eligible for the exemptive relief available under Section I of PTCE 95-60 or (ii) its acquisition and holding of such Class B-2L Note are eligible for the exemptive relief available under any of Section 408(b)(17) of ERISA or PTCE 96-23, 91-38, 90-1 or 84-14 and the purchase and holding of such Note does not constitute a violation of similar law, and (2) the ERISA restrictions set forth above have been satisfied.*



**Any person proposing to invest assets of any Plan, or any governmental plan subject to Similar Law, in the Notes should consult with its counsel to confirm that such investment will not constitute or result in any prohibited transaction that is not subject to an exemption and will satisfy the other requirements of ERISA, the Code and, in the case of such a governmental plan, Similar Law.**

### **CERTAIN LEGAL INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS**

Institutions whose investment activities are subject to legal investment laws and regulations or to review by certain regulatory authorities may be subject to restrictions on investments in the Notes. Any such institution should consult its legal advisors in determining whether and to what extent there may be restrictions on its ability to invest in the Notes. Without limiting the foregoing, any financial institution that is subject to the jurisdiction of the Comptroller of Currency, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Office of Thrift Supervision, the National Credit Union Administration, any state insurance commission, or any other federal or state agencies with similar authority should review any applicable rules, guidelines and regulations prior to purchasing the Notes. Depository institutions should review and consider the applicability of the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council Supervisory Policy Statement on Securities Activities, which has been adopted by the respective federal regulators.

None of the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchasers make any representation as to the proper characterization of the Notes for legal investment or other purposes, or as to the ability of particular investors to purchase the Notes for legal investment or other purposes, or as to the ability of particular investors to purchase the Notes under applicable investment restrictions. The Co-Issuers understand that certain state insurance regulators, in response to a request for guidance, may be considering the characterization (as U.S. domestic or foreign (non-U.S.)) of certain collateralized debt obligation securities co-issued by a non-U.S. issuer and a U.S. co-issuer. There can be no assurance as to the nature of any guidance or other action that may result from such consideration. The uncertainties described above (and any unfavorable future determinations concerning legal investment or financial institution regulatory characteristics of the Notes) may affect the liquidity of the Notes. Accordingly, all institutions whose activities are subject to legal investment laws and regulations, regulatory capital requirements or review by regulatory authorities should consult their own legal advisors in determining whether and to what extent the Notes are subject to investment, capital or other restrictions.

### **RATINGS**

It is a condition to the issuance of the Notes that the Class A-1LA Notes and Class A-1LB Notes each be rated "AAA" by S&P and "Aaa" by Moody's, that the Class A-2L Notes be rated at least "AA" by S&P and at least "Aa2" by Moody's, that the Class A-3L Notes be rated at least "A" by S&P and at least "A2" by Moody's, that the Class B-1L Notes be rated at least "BBB" by S&P and at least "Baa2" by Moody's and that the Class B-2L Notes be rated at least "BB" by S&P and at least "Ba2" by Moody's. Each of the ratings of the Notes described herein assumes that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date. A security rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning rating organization.

**The ratings of the Notes by S&P address solely the likelihood of timely payment of the Periodic Interest Amount on and the ultimate payment of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Senior Class A Notes and the ultimate payment of the Cumulative Interest Amount and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes and the Class B-2L Notes. The ratings of the Notes by Moody's address the ultimate cash receipt of all required payments as provided by the governing documents, and are based on the expected loss to the Noteholders of each Class relative to the promise of receiving the present value of such payments. A rating is not a recommendation to purchase, hold or sell securities, in as much as such rating does not comment as to market price or suitability for a particular investor and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning rating organization.**

In the event that any rating initially assigned to the Notes is subsequently lowered for any reason, no person or entity is obligated to provide any additional support or credit enhancement with respect to the Notes. The Issuer has not requested a rating on the Notes by any rating agencies other than S&P and Moody's, although data with respect to the Portfolio Collateral may have been provided to other rating agencies solely for informational purposes. There can be no assurance that, if a rating is assigned to the Notes by any other rating agency, such rating will be as high as that assigned by S&P and Moody's.



### USE OF PROCEEDS

The net proceeds from the sale of the Notes as described herein, together with net proceeds from the sale of the Preferred Shares and the Combination Notes will be used by the Issuer to fund the purchase of a principal amount of the Initial Portfolio Collateral at least equal to the Initial Portfolio Collateral Amount, to fund the Deposit on the Closing Date of cash in the approximate amount such that the Aggregate Principal Amount of Original Portfolio Collateral originally purchased by the Issuer on or before the Effective Date will equal the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount and to fund the deposit in the Expense Reimbursement Account on the Closing Date of approximately U.S.\$50,000, which Expense Reimbursement Account will be available for payment from time to time of future expenses of the Issuer pending the receipt of collections in respect of the Portfolio Collateral as described herein, to pay organizational, legal and other fees and expenses, related to the transaction, and to fund the Reserve Amount. The net proceeds from the sale of the Notes, the Combination Notes and the Preferred Shares will be approximately U.S.\$1,006,890,000.

### PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

The Initial Purchasers have advised the Co-Issuers that they propose to offer the Notes to prospective purchasers from time to time in individually negotiated transactions at varying prices to be determined in each case at the time of sale. The price(s) paid by each Initial Purchaser for the Notes may be less than those paid by other purchasers of the Notes. Each Initial Purchaser may offer or sell Notes to purchasers at negotiated prices, which may vary among different purchasers of Notes of any Class. In addition to the structuring and placement fees paid to each Initial Purchaser, each Initial Purchaser may be deemed to receive compensation for the sale of the Notes to the extent that the price(s) paid by it for Notes is less than the price(s) at which they are resold.

The Notes are offered when, as and if issued by the Co-Issuers, subject to prior sale or withdrawal, cancellation or modification of the offer without notice and subject to approval of certain legal matters by counsel and certain other conditions. It is expected that delivery of the Notes will be made on or about the Closing Date, against payment in immediately available funds.

The Notes have not been registered under the Securities Act and may not be offered or sold within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, United States persons except to (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers in reliance on Rule 144A under the Securities Act and (ii) other persons or entities pursuant to other valid exemptions from the registration requirements of the Securities Act.

Without limiting the foregoing, no transfer of Notes may be made except to a non-U.S. Person in an offshore transaction in compliance with Regulation S, who, in the case of the Class B-2L Notes is also a Qualified Institutional Buyer, or to a Qualified Purchaser or if such transfer would not require the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to become subject to the registration requirements of the Investment Company Act.

Each of the Co-Issuers and each of the Initial Purchasers represents and agrees that it (i) has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated any invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of Section 21 of the Financial Services and Markets Act of 2000 ("FSMA")) received by it in connection with the issue or sale of any offered securities in circumstances in which Section 21(a) of the FSMA does not apply to the Issuer; and (ii) has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA with respect to anything done by it in relation to the offered securities, in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom.

No invitation may be made to the public in the Cayman Islands to subscribe for the Notes.

Purchasers of Notes sold outside the United States may be required to pay stamp taxes and other charges in accordance with the laws and practices of the country of purchase in addition to the price charged to investors for the Notes.

The Notes are new securities for which there currently is no market. Accordingly, no assurance can be given as to the development or liquidity of any market for the Notes.

## **THE SERVICER**

**The information appearing in this Section has been prepared by Highland Capital Management, L.P. and has not been independently verified by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Initial Purchasers. Accordingly, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Initial Purchasers do not assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or applicability of such information.**

### General

Based in Dallas, Texas, Highland Capital is a registered investment adviser specializing in below investment-grade credit and special situation investing. As of March 31, 2007, Highland Capital managed over \$37.4 billion in leveraged loans, high yield bonds, structured products and other assets for banks, insurance companies, pension plans, foundations and high net worth individuals.

Highland Capital manages or services these assets through a variety of fund structures including separate accounts, CDOs, hedge funds and mutual funds. As of March 31, 2007, Highland Capital invested in approximately 1,200 below investment grade and credit sensitive credit positions, and Highland Capital's 82-person credit team followed approximately 1,400 below investment grade and credit sensitive credit positions across over 36 industries. Highland Capital or an Affiliate or predecessor thereof has been an SEC-registered investment adviser since April 1993.

Highland Capital has invested over \$890 million of firm capital in its funds, and expects that HFP, one of its Affiliates, will on the Closing Date purchase 100% of the Class II Preferred Shares and 32% of the Class I Preferred Shares.

### Philosophy and Process

Highland Capital has expertise in the fields of syndicated loans, high yield bonds, and distressed assets. Highland Capital seeks to construct portfolios to (a) maximize relative value based on its credit views and (b) maximize diversification in order to minimize the effect of isolated credit events on the overall portfolio, utilizing Highland Capital's infrastructure to minimize defaults of underlying assets and to maximize recoveries in the case of defaults. Portfolio managers actively follow each credit and several times each year the entire staff reviews all positions during multi-day monitoring meetings. Highland Capital diversifies its portfolios with set limits on exposure to any one given industry or issuer.

Highland Capital focuses on a "team" approach that it has used since 1990. A committee of senior portfolio managers and analysts, Highland Capital's Chief Investment Officer and its Head of Structured Products meets every morning to discuss the status of the credits. Collectively, the committee utilizes a selection and monitoring process which is driven by fundamental credit research. Each portfolio manager/analyst makes specific credit recommendations based upon industry coverage. The credit recommendation is then brought to the committee for consideration. Based upon the consensus decision, the portfolio manager with the recommendation will direct Highland traders to execute the trade. Highland Capital has also provided its committee with a strong commitment to technology. The firm developed Wall Street Office® which is a proprietary software system that allows Highland Capital to model, portfolio manage, and trade syndicated loans. This software has been licensed to more than 70 financial institutions that acquire syndicated loans.

### Professionals of the Servicer

Set forth below is information regarding certain persons who are currently employed by the Servicer. Such persons may not necessarily continue to be so employed during the entire term of the Servicing Agreement.

#### **James Dondero, CFA, CPA, CMA – Managing Partner - President**

Mr. Dondero is a Founder and President of Highland Capital Management, L.P. He is also Chairman of the Board of Directors of Highland Financial Partners. Prior to Highland, Mr. Dondero served as Chief Investment Officer of Protective Life's GIC subsidiary, and helped grow the business from concept to over \$2 billion from 1989 to 1993. His portfolio management experience includes mortgage-backed securities, investment grade corporates,

leveraged bank loans, emerging markets, derivatives, preferred stocks and common stocks. From 1985 to 1989, he managed approximately \$1 billion in fixed income funds for American Express. Prior to American Express, he completed the financial training program at Morgan Guaranty Trust Company. Mr. Dondero is a Beta Gamma Sigma graduate of the University of Virginia, 1984 with degrees in Accounting and Finance. Mr. Dondero is a Certified Public Accountant and a Certified Management Accountant. He has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

**Mark Okada, CFA – Managing Partner - Chief Investment Officer**

Mr. Okada is a Founder and Chief Investment Officer of Highland. He is responsible for overseeing Highland's investment activities for its various strategies, and has over 20 years of experience in the leveraged finance market. Prior to Highland, Mr. Okada served as Manager of Fixed Income for Protective Life's GIC subsidiary from 1990 to 1993. He was primarily responsible for the bank loan portfolio and other risk assets. Protective was one of the first non-bank entrants into the syndicated loan market. From 1986 to 1990, he served as Vice President for Hibernia National Bank, managing over \$1 billion of high yield bank loans. Mr. Okada is an honors graduate of the University of California Los Angeles with degrees in Economics and Psychology. He completed his credit training at Mitsui and has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation. Mr. Okada is also Chairman of the Board of Directors of Common Grace Ministries Inc.

**Todd Travers, CFA – Head of Structured Products, Senior Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Travers is responsible for Highland's CDO business and is the primary portfolio manager for Highland's CDOs. He is a member of the Credit Committee and heads a team that is responsible for structuring new CDO transactions and implementing additional opportunities in Highland's core businesses. He is also Chief Executive Officer and Chief Investment Officer of Highland Financial Partners, an externally managed company whose primary strategy is investing in CDO equity. Formerly, Mr. Travers served as Portfolio Manager/Portfolio Analyst from 1994 to 1998 for Highland. His prior responsibilities included managing a portion of Highland's leveraged loan and high yield debt portfolios across a wide range of industry sectors. Prior to joining Highland, Mr. Travers was a Finance Manager at American Airlines. Mr. Travers is a graduate of Iowa State University with a BS in Industrial Engineering. He received his MBA from Southern Methodist University. Mr. Travers has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

**Patrick H. Daugherty – Partner, Head of Distressed and Special Situations Investments**

Mr. Daugherty is Head of Distressed and Special Situations Investing, and a Senior Portfolio Manager at Highland Capital Management, L.P. ("Highland"). His responsibilities include managing the Distressed Investments Group, and co-managing the Private Equity Investments Group. He has formerly served as General Counsel to Highland. Prior to joining Highland in April 1998, Mr. Daugherty served as Vice President in the Corporate Finance Group at Bank of America Capital Markets, Inc (formerly NationsBanc Capital Markets, Inc.) where he originated and structured leveraged transactions of mid-cap companies located in the Southwest. Prior to joining Bank of America, Mr. Daugherty was an Associate with the law firm of Baker, Brown, Sharman and Parker in Houston, Texas, where he worked with banks and financial institutions in the liquidation of various RTC portfolios. Mr. Daugherty has over 15 years of experience in distressed, high yield and corporate restructuring. He has been involved in over 100 restructurings and held steering committee positions in over 40 bankruptcies. Mr. Daugherty currently serves on the Board of Directors of Trussway Holdings, Inc. and its affiliates (as Chairman), Home Interiors & Gifts, Inc. and its affiliates (as Chairman), Nexpak Corporation and its affiliates (as Chairman), Moll Industries and its affiliates (as Chairman), Safety-Kleen Holdco., Inc. and is a former board member of Norse Merchant Group and its affiliates, Ferrimorac Holdings Limited and Mariner Health Care, Inc. He received a BBA in Finance from The University of Texas at Austin and a Juris Doctorate from The University of Houston School of Law. Mr. Daugherty's professional certifications include membership in the Texas Bar Association and admittance to the American Bar Association in 1992.

**John Morgan, CFA – Partner, Senior Portfolio Manager, Real Estate**

Mr. Morgan is a Senior Portfolio Manager, and has responsibility for overseeing the firm's Real Estate debt investments. The firm's real estate investments include a variety of asset types, including Collateralized Mortgage Backed Securities ("CMBSs"), mezzanine notes, and real estate bank loans. Since joining Highland in March 2000, Mr. Morgan has also covered a variety of other industries, including retail, restaurants, and supermarkets. Prior to

joining Highland in March 2000, Mr. Morgan served as Portfolio Analyst for Falcon Fund Management, LTD from August 1995-February 2000. At Falcon, he created comparables to assess the attractiveness of companies within industries and across the portfolio. He assisted the Portfolio Manager in the security selection process and management of the portfolio. Prior to Falcon, he was an Analyst for a Convertible Arbitrage Fund at Q Investments. His primary responsibility included analyzing financial statements and related corporate disclosures and performing analysis on potential investment opportunities. He received both a BS in Biological Sciences and an MBA from Southern Methodist University, and has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

**Kurtis S. Plumer, CFA – Partner, Senior Portfolio Manager, Multi-Strategies**

Mr. Plumer is a Senior Portfolio Manager for Multi-Strategies. Prior to joining Highland in July 1999, Mr. Plumer was a distressed High Yield Bond Trader at Lehman Brothers in New York, where he managed a \$250 million portfolio invested in global distressed securities. While at Lehman, he also traded emerging market sovereign bonds. Prior to joining Lehman Brothers, Mr. Plumer was a Corporate Finance Banker at NationsBanc Capital Markets, Inc. (now Bank of America Capital Markets, Inc.) where he focused on M&A and financing transactions for the bank's clients. Mr. Plumer has over 14 years of experience in distressed, high yield bond and leveraged loan products. Mr. Plumer earned a BBA in Economics and Finance from Baylor University, and an MBA in Strategy and Finance from the Kellogg School at Northwestern University. Mr. Plumer has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

**David Walls, CFA – Partner, Senior Portfolio Manager, Par Credits**

Mr. Walls is a Senior Portfolio Manager of Par Credit Investments at Highland. Prior to joining Highland in October 2000, Mr. Walls worked for Lend Lease Real Estate Investments as an Associate in their Asset Management unit underwriting and structuring acquisitions of bulk portfolios of distressed Korean real estate and corporate debt. Before his international responsibilities at Lend Lease, Mr. Walls performed loan workouts on a domestic portfolio of sub- and non-performing real estate secured assets. Prior to Lend Lease, Mr. Walls worked at U.S. Trust Company of California as an Assistant Vice President, Junior Portfolio Manager in their Fixed Income Portfolio Management group and for Capital Research & Management Company as a Fixed Income Trader. Mr. Walls has worked in finance for the cable, media, satellite, and communication equipment sectors for 14 years. At Highland, Mr. Walls is a Senior Portfolio Manager with oversight of the Cable and Satellite sectors. He holds a BA in Economics from Northwestern University, and an MBA in Finance and Marketing from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University. Mr. Walls is a member of AIMR and DAIA. Mr. Walls has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

**Brett Pope, CFA – Partner, Senior Portfolio Manager, Par Credits**

Mr. Pope is a Senior Portfolio Manager for Par Credit Investments. Prior to joining Highland in March 2001, Mr. Pope served as a Senior Equities Analyst in Healthcare at Street Advisor.com from 1999 to 2001. His experience also includes working as a Senior Research Analyst covering the Building Products and Financial Service sectors at Southwest Securities from 1996 to 1999. Prior to 1996, he served as a Senior Financial Analyst with Associates First Capital Corporation. At Highland, Mr. Pope is a Senior Portfolio Manager covering the Healthcare and Information Technology sectors. Mr. Pope is a graduate of the University of Texas at Austin where he graduated Magna Cum Laude. Mr. Pope has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

**Patrick Conner, CFA – Senior Portfolio Manager**

Prior to joining Highland Capital in February 2002, Mr. Conner worked from 2001-2002 as a Portfolio Manager for an equity hedge fund at Enron Corp. Prior to this position, Mr. Conner evaluated business unit strategy, mergers, acquisitions, and divestitures as a Director in Enron's Corporate Development group from 1997-2001. Prior to joining Enron, Mr. Conner worked as a Corporate Lending Officer at Boatmen's Bancshares in middle market banking. Mr. Conner has acquired 14 years of investment experience. He holds an MBA in Finance from The Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania and a BBA in Finance from Wichita State University. Mr. Conner has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation. Mr. Conner is a Senior Portfolio Manager for Par Credit Investments.

**Gibran Mahmud, CPA – Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Mahmud is a Portfolio Manager in the Structured Products group with a focus on structuring new transactions and implementing additional opportunities in Highland's core business. As part of the Structured Products group, Mr. Mahmud manages the teams responsible for CDO Investing where the team manages Highland's CDO debt and CDO equity portfolios, CDO Surveillance where the team manages existing structures from a monitoring and surveillance perspective, and CDO Deal Implementation where the team is responsible for the origination, structuring, and issuance of all new structured vehicles. Mr. Mahmud served as Senior Portfolio Analyst from 2003 to 2005 and Controller from 2001 to 2003 where he managed a team that was responsible for all of Highland's CLOs and structured products. Prior to joining Highland Capital, he served as a Senior Analyst at Fleet Capital where he was involved in originating, structuring, modeling, and credit analysis for clients primarily in the manufacturing, retail, and services industries. Formerly, Mr. Mahmud was a Senior Auditor at Arthur Andersen. Mr. Mahmud received a Bachelors in Accounting and an MBA with an emphasis in Finance from Baylor University. Mr. Mahmud is a Certified Public Accountant.

**Brad Voss, CFA – Senior Portfolio Analyst**

Mr. Voss joined Highland in August 2005 and is involved in the analysis, selection, and monitoring of structured credit investments for Highland-managed funds. Formerly he served as a Vice President for Bear Stearns, where he worked with institutional investors to incorporate Bear Stearns research into their investment processes. Prior to joining Bear Stearns he held a similar position at Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette. While a graduate student he completed an internship with State Street Research & Management in Boston and served as a portfolio manager and risk manager for a \$13 million student-managed investment company. Mr. Voss has 8 years of investment industry experience and holds an MBA from the University of Texas at Austin, a BBA from Texas Christian University, and has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

**Brad Borud – Partner, Senior Trader and Co-Director of Portfolio Management**

Mr. Borud is a Senior Trader and Co-director of Portfolio Management. Prior to joining Highland in November 1996, Mr. Borud worked as a Global Finance Analyst in the Corporate Finance Group at NationsBank from 1995 to 1996 where he was involved in the originating, structuring, modeling, and credit analysis of leveraged transactions for large corporate accounts in the Southwest portion of the United States. During 1994, Mr. Borud also served at Conseco Capital Management as an Analyst Intern in the Fixed Income Research Department, following the Transportation and Energy sectors. Prior to his current duties at Highland, Mr. Borud served as a Portfolio Analyst from 1996 to 1998. From 1998 to 2003, Mr. Borud was a Portfolio Manager covering a wide range of industries, including Wireline Telecommunications, Wireless Telecommunications, Telecommunication Equipment Manufacturers, Multi-channel Video, and Media. He has a BS in Business Finance from Indiana University.

**Paul Kauffman, CFA, CPA – Partner, Senior Trader and Co-Director of Portfolio Management**

Mr. Kauffman is a Senior Trader and Co-director of Portfolio Management. Prior to joining Highland in June 1999, Mr. Kauffman spent four years in the public accounting industry, including two and a half years at KPMG Peat Marwick. At KPMG, Mr. Kauffman gained audit experience in a wide range of industries, with particular focus on the Energy and Cable industries. He joined Highland as a Portfolio Analyst, and was a Portfolio Manager prior to moving into his current role. At Highland, Paul has followed a variety of industries, including Paper & Packaging, General Industrials, Metals, and the Automotive sector. He received a BBA in Accounting from Baylor University, and an MBA from Duke University. Mr. Kauffman has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

See "Special Considerations—Dependence on Key Personnel of the Servicer."

## THE SERVICING AGREEMENT

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Servicing Agreement. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the Servicing Agreement.

The Servicer will select the Initial Portfolio Collateral and will select all remaining Portfolio Collateral. The Servicer will also monitor the performance and credit quality of all of the Portfolio Collateral on an ongoing basis as further provided in the Servicing Agreement. Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture, the Servicer will direct the Issuer with respect to the use of collections on Portfolio Collateral to purchase Substitute Portfolio Collateral or Additional Portfolio Collateral, direct the Trustee when to deliver an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, Equity Portfolio Collateral or other item of Portfolio Collateral for sale, direct the use of proceeds therefrom to purchase Substitute or Additional Portfolio Collateral and Eligible Investments and direct the Trustee with respect to Securities Lending Agreements, if any. The Servicer will advise the Issuer with respect to the use of certain Collections as described herein to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral meeting the specifications set forth herein. If any Portfolio Collateral is an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, the Servicer will instruct the Trustee as to the appropriate action to be taken against the issuer of such item of Portfolio Collateral and whether to retain or dispose of such item of Portfolio Collateral. See "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral."

Upon any disposition of Portfolio Collateral, the Trustee, upon direction of the Servicer, will either deposit the proceeds of such disposition in the Collection Account or apply the proceeds of such disposition to the purchase of an item of Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral, all in accordance with the terms of the Indenture. Any such actions directed by the Servicer may change the composition and characteristics of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate, the rate of payment thereon, and, accordingly, may affect the actual average life of the Notes.

The Indenture places significant restrictions on the ability of the Issuer to buy and sell securities for the Trust Estate, and the Servicer is subject to compliance with such document. Accordingly, during certain periods or in certain specified circumstances, the Issuer may be unable to buy or sell securities or to take other actions which the Servicer might consider in the interests of the Issuer and its creditors and the Holders of Preferred Shares.

In its capacity as servicer or manager, the Servicer engages in other business and furnishes asset management and other services to other clients which may differ from those followed by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, as required by the Indenture. The Servicer may make recommendations or effect transactions which may differ from those effected with respect to the securities in the Trust Estate.

The Servicing Agreement provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Servicer such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Servicer, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the Investment Advisers Act of 1940. The Servicing Agreement also provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as investment adviser, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as investment adviser unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Servicer, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Investment Advisers Act of 1940.

### Compensation

As compensation for its services under the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will be entitled to receive a Base Servicing Fee, an Additional Servicing Fee and a Supplemental Servicing Fee (if any).

The Base Servicing Fee is a fee that will accrue from the Closing Date and be payable to the Servicer, if and to the extent funds are available for such purpose as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", in arrears on each Payment Date. The Base Servicing Fee will be calculated

on the basis of a 360-day year and the actual number of days elapsed. The Base Servicing Fee payable on any Payment Date will be payable from Collateral Interest Collections remaining after payment of certain fees and expenses of the Issuer but prior to payment of interest on the Notes. The Base Servicing Fee will accrue interest if unpaid. To the extent Collateral Interest Collections are insufficient to pay any accrued and unpaid Base Servicing Fee payable on any Payment Date, the Base Servicing Fee will be payable from Collateral Principal Collections available for such purpose as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions."

The Additional Servicing Fee is a fee that will accrue from the Closing Date and be payable to the Servicer, if and to the extent funds are available for such purpose as described under "Description of the Note—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions", in arrears on each Payment Date (to the extent provided in the Servicing Agreement). The Additional Servicing Fee will be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year and the actual number of days elapsed. The Additional Servicing Fee payable on any Payment Date will be payable from Collateral Interest Collections remaining after payment of certain fees and expenses of the Issuer, the Base Servicing Fee, interest (and, if any of the Overcollateralization Tests or the Interest Coverage Test are not satisfied on the related Payment Date (other than the Interest Coverage Test on the first or second Payment Date) or if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists, principal) on the Notes and certain other amounts. The Additional Servicing Fee will accrue if unpaid, with interest thereon at a rate equal to LIBOR plus 3.00% per annum.

The Servicer may in its sole discretion also elect to waive payment of all or a portion of the Additional Servicing Fee that is due and payable in accordance with the priority of distributions as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions" on any Payment Date, other than the Final Payment Date, by providing written notice to the Trustee of such election at least four Business Days prior to such Payment Date. If the Servicer waives the Additional Servicing Fee in whole or in part in such manner, the amount so waived (the "**Waived Additional Servicing Fee**") shall be used to acquire Additional Portfolio Collateral as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions." The Servicer shall have no interest in and no reimbursement rights with respect to any Waived Additional Servicing Fees.

The "**Supplemental Servicing Amount**" means an amount that will be payable to the Servicer in accordance with the Indenture on each Payment Date, if and to the extent funds are available for such purpose as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions," except to the extent that the Servicer elects, in its sole discretion, to waive such amount in the manner described below. On each Payment Date, the Collateral Manager will receive the Supplemental Servicing Fee, payable to the extent amounts are available therefor on such Payment Date.

If amounts distributable on any Payment Date as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions" are insufficient to pay the Base Servicing Fee or the Additional Servicing Fee, then the payment thereof will be deferred and will be payable with interest on subsequent Payment Dates as described herein.

The Servicer may in its sole discretion also elect to waive payment of all or a portion of the Supplemental Servicing Fee that is due and payable in accordance with the priority of distributions as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions" on any Payment Date, other than the Final Payment Date, by providing written notice to the Trustee of such election at least four Business Days prior to such Payment Date. If the Servicer waives the Supplemental Servicing Fee in whole or in part in such manner, the amount so waived (the "**Waived Supplemental Servicing Fee**", and, together with the Waived Additional Servicing Fee, the "**Waived Servicing Fees**") shall be used to acquire Additional Portfolio Collateral as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions." The Servicer shall have no interest in and no reimbursement rights with respect to any Waived Supplemental Servicing Fee.

The Servicer will have a senior lien on the Trust Estate with respect to its Base Servicing Fee and a junior lien on the Trust Estate with respect to its Additional Servicing Fee. The Servicer will receive reimbursement for certain expenses from the proceeds of the issuance of the Notes and the Preferred Shares. The Servicer will generally be responsible for its own expenses incurred in the course of performing its obligations under the Servicing Agreement, but may be reimbursed for certain expenses as provided in the Servicing Agreement.

Generally, the Servicer will not be liable to the Issuer, the Trustee, the Holders of Notes or Preferred Shares for any loss incurred as a result of the actions taken or recommended by the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement or the Indenture, except by reason of acts constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, or gross negligence in the performance of its obligations thereunder. The Servicer will be entitled to indemnification by the Issuer under certain circumstances as described in the Servicing Agreement. In addition, the Servicer has entered into certain indemnification agreements with Bear Stearns. Under certain circumstances the Servicer also may resign or be removed.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Servicer is removed or resigns, any accrued and unpaid Servicing Fees will immediately become due and be payable in accordance with the priority of distributions as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions" on the next Payment Date to the outgoing Servicer; *provided*, that with respect to the Supplemental Servicing Fee, any Supplemental Servicing Fee payable on the Payment Date occurring immediately following the date of such removal or resignation will be payable in accordance with the priority of distributions as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions" on such Payment Date to the outgoing Servicer and the successor Servicer *pro rata* based on the number of days each served as Servicer in the related Due Period.

#### Amendment to Servicing Agreement

The Servicing Agreement may not be amended (a) without satisfying the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency or (b) if a Majority of the Controlling Class or a Majority of the Preferred Shares have objected in writing to such amendment or modification within 30 days of notice thereof.

#### Resignation of Servicer

Subject to the provisions for a successor Servicer discussed below, the Servicer may resign, upon 90 days' written notice to the Issuer (or such shorter notice as is acceptable to the Issuer).

#### Termination of Servicing Agreement

The Servicing Agreement will be terminated, and the Servicer will be removed, by the Issuer, if directed by a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or by at least 66-2/3% of the Holders of the Preferred Shares (excluding any Preferred Shares held by the Servicer or its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority at the time of such vote, other than the HFP which may exercise its vote with respect to the Preferred Shares it owns, up to the Original HFP Share Amount), in each case for "cause" upon 10 days' prior written notice to the Servicer and upon written notice to the Noteholders and the Holders of the Preferred Shares as set forth below. For purposes of determining "cause" with respect to any such termination of the Servicing Agreement, such term shall mean any one of the following events:

- (i) the Servicer willfully breaches in any respect, or takes any action that it knows violates in any respect, any provision of the Servicing Agreement or any terms of the Indenture applicable to it;
- (ii) the Servicer breaches in any material respect any provision of the Servicing Agreement or any terms of the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement applicable to it, or any representation, warranty, certification or statement given in writing by the Servicer shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or given, and the Servicer fails to cure such breach or take such action so that the facts (after giving effect to such action) conform in all material respects to such representation, warranty, certification or statement, in each case within 30 days of becoming aware of, or receiving notice from, the Trustee of, such breach or materially incorrect representation, warranty certification or statement;
- (iii) the occurrence of an Event of Default under the Indenture relating to payments described under clauses (iii) and (iv) under "Legal Structure—The Indenture—Events of Default;"
- (iv) certain events of bankruptcy or insolvency occur with respect to the Servicer;



(v) the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture that results from any breach by the Servicer of its duties under the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement, which breach or default is not cured within any applicable cure period; or

(vi) (x) the occurrence of an act by the Servicer related to its activities in any securities, servicing, financial advisory or other investment business that constitutes fraud, (y) the Servicer being indicted, or any of its principals being convicted, of a felony criminal offense related to its activities in any securities, servicing, financial advisory or other investment business or (z) the Servicer being indicted for, adjudged liable in a civil suit for, or convicted of a violation of the Securities Act or any other United States Federal securities law or any rules or regulations thereunder.

#### Successor Servicer

No removal, termination or resignation of the Servicer will be effective under the Servicing Agreement unless the Issuer appoints a successor Servicer:

I. if the Class A-1LA Notes are Outstanding and (i) the sum of (A) the Aggregate Par Amount of Portfolio Collateral other than any Equity Portfolio Collateral and (B) the Market Value of all Equity Portfolio Collateral (as determined by the Servicer in a commercially reasonable manner), if any, is less than (ii) the sum of (A) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Outstanding Notes other than the Class B-2L Notes *plus* any accrued and unpaid interest thereon and (B) 50% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-2L Notes *plus* any accrued and unpaid interest thereon (a "**Preferred Share Event**"), then:

(a) (A) at the written direction of a Majority of the Notes (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP), (B) such successor has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 30 days after receipt of notice of such succession by a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes; or

(b) if a Majority of the Notes (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP) has nominated two or more successor Servicers that have been objected to pursuant to clause (a)(C) above or has otherwise failed to appoint a successor Servicer that is not objected to pursuant to clause (a)(C) above within 30 days of the date of receipt of notice of such removal, termination or resignation of the Servicer (or, if later, within 30 days of the last failure to successfully appoint a successor Servicer), then (A) at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, (B) such successor has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by a Majority in Outstanding Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes (voting as a single Class (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority, other than HFP));

II. if there is no Preferred Share Event in effect, then:

(a) (A) at the written direction of a Majority of the Preferred Shares (excluding any Preferred Shares held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP up to the Original HFP Share Amount), (B) such successor has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 30 days after receipt of notice of such succession by any of (x) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or (y) a Majority of the Outstanding Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes (voting as a single Class (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Portfolio or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority, other than HFP)); or

(b) if a Majority of the Preferred Shares (excluding any Preferred Shares held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP) has nominated two or more successor Servicers that have been objected to pursuant to clause (a)(C) above or has otherwise failed to appoint a successor Servicer that is not objected to pursuant to clause (a)(C) above within 30 days of the date of receipt of notice of such removal, termination or resignation of the Servicer (or, if later, within 30 days of the last failure to successfully appoint a successor Servicer), then a Majority of the Controlling Class may appoint a successor Servicer, which shall be the successor Servicer if, (A) such successor has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture and (B) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 45 days after notice of such succession by either (x) the Majority of the Preferred Shares (excluding any Preferred Shares held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP or any subsidiary of HFP up to the Original HFP Share Amount) or (y) a Majority of the Outstanding Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes (voting as a single Class (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority, other than HFP up to the Original HFP Share Amount)).

If the Majority of the Controlling Class fails to appoint a successor Servicer pursuant to clause I(b) or clause II(b) above, or its appointee is objected to as therein *provided*, within 90 days of the date of notice of such removal, termination or resignation of the Servicer, the Majority of the Controlling Class may petition a court of competent authority to appoint a successor Servicer.

In addition, any successor Servicer must be an established institution which (i) has demonstrated an ability to professionally and competently perform duties similar to those imposed upon the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, (ii) is legally qualified and has the capacity to act as Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, as successor to the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement in the assumption of all of the responsibilities, duties and obligations of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and under the applicable terms of the Indenture, (iii) shall not cause the Issuer or the pool of Collateral to become required to register under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, (iv) shall perform its duties as Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture without causing the Issuer or any Holder of Preferred Shares to become subject to tax in any jurisdiction where such successor Servicer is established as doing business and (v) each Rating Agency has confirmed that the appointment of such successor Servicer shall not cause its then-current rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn. No compensation payable to a successor from payments on the Collateral shall be greater than that paid to the Servicer without the prior written consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes, a Majority of the Notes (voting collectively) and a Majority of the Preferred Shares (voting collectively).

If there is no appointment of a successor Servicer within 90 days after the resignation or termination of the Servicer, any sales or disposition of Portfolio Collateral shall be limited to Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and Equity Portfolio Collateral; *provided* that such restriction on the sale or disposition of Portfolio Collateral shall not apply if the Portfolio Collateral is being liquidated in whole or in part in connection with an acceleration or early termination of the Notes.

#### Delegation

The Servicing Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, cannot be delegated by the Servicer, in whole or in part, except to any entity that is both (i) controlled by any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers and (ii) one in which any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers is involved in the day to day management and operations (and in such case pursuant to an instrument of delegation in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer), without the prior written consent of the Issuer, a Majority of the Noteholders and a Majority of the Preferred Shares (excluding Notes and Preferred Shares held by the Servicer or any of its Affiliates), and, notwithstanding any such consent, no delegation of obligations or duties by the Servicer (including, without limitation, to an entity described above) shall relieve the Servicer from any liability under the Servicing Agreement.

#### **CERTAIN LEGAL MATTERS**

The validity of the Notes and certain other legal matters, including certain matters relating to certain United States federal tax consequences of the ownership of the Notes, will be passed upon for the Issuer and Bear Stearns by Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, New York, New York. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Servicer by Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, Los Angeles, California. Certain legal matters relating to Cayman Islands law will be passed on for the Issuer by Maples and Calder. As to all matters of Cayman Islands law, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP will rely on the opinions of Maples and Calder.

ANNEX A

**GLOSSARY OF CERTAIN DEFINED TERMS**

Set forth below are definitions of certain defined terms used in this Confidential Offering Circular.

**"Account Income"**: Any interest or other earnings on funds in the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account or the Expense Reimbursement Account.

**"Accounts"**: The Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Expense Account, the Reserve Account, the Default Swap Collateral Account and the Default Swap Issuer Account, as described in "Security for the Notes—Accounts."

**"Accrued Interest on Sale"**: Interest accrued on an item of Portfolio Collateral at the time of sale or other disposition to the extent paid to the Issuer as part of the sale or other disposition price of such item of Portfolio Collateral after deducting amounts representing Purchased Accrued Interest of such item of Portfolio Collateral.

**"Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement"**: As described under "Description of the Notes—Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement."

**"Additional Fee Amount"**: With respect to each Due Period, an amount equal to 0.25% *per annum* of the Quarterly Collateral Amount, calculated on the basis of a 360-day year and the actual number of days elapsed.

**"Additional Issuance"**: As defined under "Description of the Notes—Additional Issuance."

**"Additional Portfolio Collateral"**: Any Portfolio Collateral purchased with Collections (other than Collateral Disposition Proceeds) in accordance with the terms of the Indenture.

**"Additional Preferred Shares"**: Any additional Preferred Shares issued after the Closing Date as described in, and in accordance with the applicable terms of, the Indenture.

**"Additional Servicing Fee"**: For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the sum of (a) product of (i) the Additional Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (ii) the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date *plus* (b) on any Payment Date that any part of the Base Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, interest on such unpaid amount in an amount equal to the product of (i) LIBOR for the applicable period *plus* 3.0% *per annum* and (ii) the actual number of days in such Due Period, *divided* by 360 *plus* (c) on any Payment Date that any part of the Additional Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, such unpaid Additional Servicing Fee and interest thereon in an amount equal to the product of (i) LIBOR for the applicable period *plus* 3.0% *per annum* and (ii) the actual number of days in such Due Period *divided* by 360; *provided* that in the event that the Servicer is removed or resigns, the amount of such fee accrued to the effective date of such removal or resignation will be payable to the Servicer on the next succeeding Payment Date or Payment Dates on which such amount may be paid, in accordance with the Priority of Payments (*provided* that the payment of any fee payable pursuant to this proviso will be *pari passu* with the payment of any servicing fees to the then-current servicer).

**"Adjusted Collateral Collections"**: With respect to any Payment Date, the sum of (i) the Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections collected during the applicable Due Period, (ii) the Adjusted Collateral Principal Collections collected during the applicable Due Period and (iii) the available funds in the Expense Reimbursement Account, as each is determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date.

**"Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections"**: As defined under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions—Adjusted Collateral Collections."

**"Adjusted Collateral Principal Collections"**: As defined under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions—Adjusted Collateral Collections."

"Administrator": Maples Finance Limited, or any successor appointed by the Issuer.

"Affiliate": With respect to any specified Person, any other Person controlling or controlled by or under common control with such specified Person. For the purposes of this definition, "control," when used with respect to any specified Person, means the power to direct the management and policies of such Person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise; and the terms "controlling" and "controlled" have meanings correlative to the foregoing; *provided* that (for the avoidance of doubt) the only Affiliate of the Issuer shall be the Co-Issuer and the only Affiliate of the Co-Issuer shall be the Issuer.

"Aggregate Base Fees and Expenses": As defined under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions—Adjusted Collateral Collections."

"Aggregate Par Amount": With respect to any date of determination, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate, including cash and Eligible Investments representing Collateral Principal Collections on deposit in the Collection Account and the Initial Deposit Account.

"Aggregate Principal Amount": With respect to any date of determination, when used with respect to the Portfolio Collateral, the aggregate Principal Balances of such items of Portfolio Collateral on such date of determination. With respect to any date of determination, when used with respect to any Eligible Investments, the Balance of such Eligible Investments on such date of determination. When used with respect to any Note or Class of Notes, as of any date of determination, the original principal amount of such Note or Class of Notes, as applicable, reduced by all prior payments, if any, made with respect to principal of such Notes. When used with respect to the Notes in the aggregate, the sum of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Outstanding Notes.

"Amendment Buy-Out": As described under "Legal Structure—The Indenture—Amendment Buy-Out."

"Amendment Buy-Out Option": As described under "Legal Structure—The Indenture—Amendment Buy-Out."

"Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price": Shall mean the price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Notes or Preferred Shares purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out in an amount equal to (i) in the case of Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof, *plus* accrued and unpaid interest to the date of purchase payable to the Non-Consenting Holder (giving effect to all amounts paid to such Holder on such date) and *plus* any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment, and (ii) in the case of the Preferred Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preferred Shares since the Closing Date (and any amounts payable, if any to such Holder on the next succeeding Payment Date) would cause such Preferred Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) an Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such date was a Payment Date under the Indenture); *provided* that, after the date on which any Holder of Preferred Shares has received an Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price for such Preferred Shares shall be equal to zero.

"Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser": Shall mean the Servicer (or any of its affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Notes or Preferred Shares from Holders pursuant to the Amendment Buy-Out, "Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchasers) or any of its affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; *provided, however*, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers or any of their respective affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

"Amortization Period": The period beginning on the day after the end of the Revolving Period and ending on the Payment Date upon which the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes is paid in full.

"Applicable Periodic Rate": With respect to each Class of Notes and for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions—General."

"Applicable Percentage": Shall mean the lesser of the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate and the S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to such item of Portfolio Collateral, set forth in the Indenture.

"Approved Pricing Service": Any pricing service (including any of its successors and assigns) listed as an Approved Pricing Service on a schedule to the Indenture or otherwise disclosed in writing by the Issuer to the Trustee and the Holders of the Notes and not objected to by the Requisite Noteholders within 15 days of such disclosure, *provided* that the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to any pricing service not included on the schedule to the Indenture.

"Assignment": An arrangement whereby a creditor assigns an interest in a loan to the Issuer.

"Available Funds": With respect to any Payment Date, the amount of any positive balance in the Collection Account as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date.

"Average Life": As described under "Security for the Notes—Weighted Average Life Requirement."

"Balance": On any date, with respect to cash or Eligible Investments in the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account or the Expense Reimbursement Account, the aggregate (i) face amount or current balance, as the case may be, of cash, demand deposits, time deposits, certificates of deposit, bankers' acceptances, federal funds and commercial bank money market accounts; (ii) outstanding principal amounts of interest-bearing government and corporate securities, and (iii) purchase price of non-interest-bearing government and corporate securities, commercial paper and repurchase obligations.

"Base Fee Amount": With respect to each Due Period, an amount equal to 0.30% *per annum* of the Quarterly Collateral Amount, calculated on the basis of a 360-day year and the actual number of days elapsed.

"Base Servicing Fee": For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Base Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (b) the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date; *provided* that in the event that the Servicer is removed or resigns, the amount of such fee accrued to the effective date of such removal or resignation will be payable to the Servicer on the next succeeding Payment Date or Payment Dates on which such amount may be paid, in accordance with the Priority of Payments (*provided* that the payment of any fee payable pursuant to this proviso will be *pari passu* with the payment of any servicing fees to the then-current servicer).

"B Rating Category": With respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral, such item of Portfolio Collateral having an S&P Rating of "B+", "B" or "B-" or a Moody's Rating of "B1", "B2" or "B3".

"BB Rating Category": With respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral, such item of Portfolio Collateral, having an S&P Rating of "BB+", "BB" or "BB-" or a Moody's Rating of "Ba1", "Ba2" or "Ba3".

"Bear Stearns": Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc.

"Business Day": Any day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or other day on which commercial banking institutions in the City of New York, the state of New York, or in the city in which the Trustee's corporate trust office is located or, to the extent action is required of a Paying Agent, including the Trustee, in the city of the place of payment, are authorized or obligated by law or executive order to be closed. To the extent action is required of the Irish Paying Agent, Dublin, Ireland shall be considered in determining "Business Day" for purposes of determining when such Irish Paying Agent action is required.

"Calculation Agent": Initially, Investors Bank & Trust Company.

"Calculation Date": The last day of each Due Period.

"Cantor": Cantor Fitzgerald & Co.

"Cap Agreement": The cap agreement entered into by the Issuer and the Cap Provider for the benefit of the Notes having a notional amount on each Payment Date equal to the Cap Notional Amount and providing for the payment by the Cap Provider to the Issuer on each such Payment Date of the Cap Payment, if any, with respect to such Payment Date, as amended or supplemented in accordance with the terms thereof.

"Cap Notional Amount": The notional amount of the Cap Agreement, which, with regard to each Payment Date commencing with the November 2007 Payment Date and ending with the August 2009 Payment Date, shall be as set forth on Annex B hereto for the related Payment Date, and, with regard to all other Payment Dates, shall be an amount equal to zero.

"Cap Payment": The amount, if any, payable to the Issuer by the Cap Provider under the Cap Agreement on any Payment Date, being an amount equal to interest on the Cap Notional Amount at a per annum rate equal to the excess, if any, of LIBOR with respect to the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period over the Cap Strike Rate, calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed.

"Cap Provider": The counterparty to the Issuer under the Cap Agreement, initially Bear Stearns Capital Markets Inc.

"Cap Strike Rate": 6% per annum.

"Cap Termination Amount": Any lump-sum amount payable by the Issuer to the Cap Provider in connection with an "Event of Default" or a "Termination Event" under the Cap Agreement, which lump sum amount is based upon, among other things, the notional amount of the Cap Agreement.

"CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral": Portfolio Collateral (excluding Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) that has a Moody's Rating below "B3" or an S&P Rating below "B-".

"CCC Rating Category": An item of Portfolio Collateral having a S&P Rating of "CCC+", "CCC" or "CCC-" or a Moody's Rating of "Caa1", "Caa2" or "Caa3".

"CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount": With respect to the Class A-1LA Noteholder in connection with an Optional Redemption, (i) on any Payment Date after the August 2010 Payment Date, an amount equal to the present value (calculated at LIBOR) of each of the remaining scheduled payments of interest up to (and including) the August 2011 Payment Date, calculated by multiplying for each such remaining scheduled Payment Date (a) the Applicable Periodic Rate for such Payment Date with respect to the Class A-1LA Notes net of LIBOR and (b) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Class A-1LA Notes as of the Optional Redemption Date, and (ii) on or after the August 2011 Payment Date, zero.

"Class": The Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes, the Class B-2L Notes and the Combination Notes, as the case may be.

"Class A Notes": The Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes and the Class A-3L Notes.

"Class A Overcollateralization Percentage": The overcollateralization percentage applicable to the Notes set forth under "Description of the Notes—Overcollateralization Tests."

"Class A Overcollateralization Ratio": As described under "Description of the Notes—Overcollateralization Tests."

"Class A Overcollateralization Test": As described in "Description of the Notes—Overcollateralization Tests."

"Class A-1LA Notes": The U.S.\$635,000,000 Class A-1LA Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2024.

"Class A-1LB Notes": The U.S.\$115,000,000 Class A-1LB Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2024.

"Class A-2L Notes": The U.S.\$76,000,000 Class A-2L Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2024.

"Class A-3L Notes": The U.S.\$48,000,000 Class A-3L Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2024.

"Class B Notes": The Class B-1L Notes and the Class B-2L Notes.

"Class B-1L Notes": The U.S.\$36,000,000 Class B-1L Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2024.

"Class B-1L Overcollateralization Percentage": The overcollateralization percentage applicable to the Class B-1L Notes set forth under "Description of the Notes—Overcollateralization Tests."

"Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio": As described under "Description of the Notes—Overcollateralization Tests."

"Class B-2L Notes": The U.S.\$26,000,000 Class B-2L Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2024.

"Class B-2L Overcollateralization Percentage": The overcollateralization percentage applicable to the Class B-2L Notes set forth under "Description of the Notes—Overcollateralization Tests."

"Class B-2L Overcollateralization Ratio": As described under "Description of the Notes—Overcollateralization Tests."

"Class I Preferred Shares": The Class I Preferred Shares, par value \$0.001 per share, issued by the Issuer; *provided* that any transfer of Class I Preferred Shares to HFP from any third party shall require the exchange and conversion of such Class I Preferred Shares into Class II Preferred Shares.

"Class II Preferred Shares": The Class II Preferred Shares, par value \$0.001 per share, issued by the Issuer and held by HFP; *provided* that any transfer of Class II Preferred Shares by HFP to any third party shall require that such Class II Preferred Shares be redeemed by the Issuer and a corresponding amount of Class I Preferred Shares to such investor.

"Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend": For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the sum of (a) the product of (i) the Additional Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (ii) the Class II Preferred Share Portion for such Payment Date *plus* (b) on any Payment Date that any part of the Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, interest on such unpaid amount in an amount equal to the product of (i) LIBOR for the applicable period and (ii) the actual number of days in such Due Period, *divided* by 360 *plus* (c) on any Payment Date that any part of the Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, such unpaid Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend and interest thereon in an amount equal to the product of (i) LIBOR for the applicable period and (ii) the actual number of days in such Due Period *divided* by 360.

"Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend": For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Base Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preferred Share Portion for such Payment Date.

"Class II Preferred Share Dividend": Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend, Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend and Class II Preferred Share Supplemental Dividend.

"Class II Preferred Share Percentage": For any Payment Date, a fraction, expressed as a percentage, the numerator of which is the number of Outstanding Class II Preferred Shares on the Calculation Date related to such Payment Date and the denominator of which is the total number of Outstanding Preferred Shares on such Calculation Date.

"Class II Preferred Share Portion": For any Payment Date, 100% *minus* the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date.



"Class II Preferred Share Supplemental Dividend": For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Supplemental Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preferred Share Portion for such Payment Date.

"Clearstream": Clearstream Banking, société anonyme.

"Closing Date": May 9, 2007.

"Closing Expense Account": An account maintained by the Issuer with the Trustee into which an amount necessary to pay closing expenses will be deposited on the Closing Date.

"CLO Security": A U.S. dollar-denominated collateralized loan obligation or a similar obligation that entitles the holders thereof to receive payments that depend (except for rights or other assets designed to assure the servicing or timely distribution of proceeds to holders of the CLO Securities) on the credit exposure to, or cash flow from, a portfolio of collateral of which at least 75% consists of commercial loans (including eligible synthetic securities whose reference obligations consist of commercial loans); *provided* that not more than 25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of any CLO Security may be comprised of Synthetic Securities; and *provided further* that each CLO Security must have a public or an estimated rating from each of the Rating Agencies.

"Code": The United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time.

"Co-Issuer": Rockwall CDO II (Delaware) Corp., a Delaware corporation.

"Co-Issuers": The Issuer and the Co-Issuer.

"Collateral": All money, instruments and other property and rights subject or intended to be subject to the lien of the Indenture including all proceeds thereof, including the Portfolio Collateral, the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Reserve Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Loan Funding Account, the Closing Expense Account, the Default Swap Collateral Account (subject to the rights of the related Default Swap Counterparty) and the Default Swap Issuer Account (subject to the rights of the related Default Swap Counterparty).

"Collateral Administration Agreement": The Collateral Administration Agreement, dated as of May 9, 2007, between the Issuer and the Collateral Administrator.

"Collateral Administrator": Investors Bank & Trust Company, as collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement.

"Collateral Disposition Proceeds": All proceeds (including, to the extent so determined by the Servicer, any payments received in connection with a consent or similar solicitation and including amounts received in connection with an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral up to an amount equal to, in the aggregate, the Principal Balance of such item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) received during a Due Period from the sale or other disposition of any Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate, net of any reasonable amounts expended by the Trustee in connection with such sale or other disposition (including without limitation disposition proceeds from liquidation of the Trust Estate). Accrued interest may be treated as Collateral Disposition Proceeds (y) to the extent necessary to pay for the principal amount of or accrued interest on Substitute Portfolio Collateral if the item of sold Portfolio Collateral paid interest before, and in the same Due Period as, the date of sale or (z) to the extent such amounts are Purchased Accrued Interest treated as Collateral Principal Collections hereunder. Amounts received with respect to Equity Portfolio Collateral or in connection with a consent or similar solicitation shall be treated as Collateral Interest Collections to the extent such proceeds are in excess of the Principal Balance (determined immediately prior to such Portfolio Collateral becoming Equity Portfolio Collateral) of the Portfolio Collateral disposed of.

"Collateral Interest Collections": With respect to any Payment Date, the sum of (without duplication) (i) all payments of interest with respect to any Portfolio Collateral (excluding accrued interest classified as Collateral Disposition Proceeds but including any other receipts of accrued interest (including Accrued Interest on Sale) and, to the extent so determined by the Servicer, any payments (other than principal) received pursuant to a consent or

similar solicitation, fees received in connection with an amendment (but only to the extent such amendment does not result in diminishing the principal money terms of such item of Portfolio Collateral) and including any commitment, standby or similar fees with respect to the unfunded portion of the Issuer's commitment to make or otherwise fund advances with respect to a Delayed Drawdown Loan or a Revolving Loan which are received during the applicable Due Period, *less* any Retained Accrued Interest, (ii) the Account Income, if any, in the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account and the Loan Funding Account which is received during the applicable Due Period, as each is determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date (including, without limitation, Account Income on funds on deposit in the Initial Deposit Account transferred to the Collection Account on the Effective Date pursuant to the Indenture, (iii) on or after the Effective Date, any amount transferred from the Initial Deposit Account at the discretion of the Servicer as described under "Security for the Notes—Accounts," (iv) any amounts received, other than with respect to principal, from a Securities Lending Agreement, and (v) income on Eligible Investments in and/or the securities credited to the Default Swap Collateral Account (to the extent the Issuer is entitled to receive such income pursuant to the Indenture).

"Collateral LIBOR": With respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral, the London interbank offered rate for U.S. dollar deposits as set forth in the applicable Underlying Instrument.

"Collateral Principal Collections": With respect to any Payment Date, all payments of (without duplication) any principal with respect to any Portfolio Collateral including (i) any remaining Deposit (other than Account Income thereon and amounts described in clause (iii) of the definition of "Collateral Interest Collections" herein) not applied to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral or to effect an Initial Deposit Redemption, (ii) any payment of Premium, (iii) to the extent so determined by the Servicer, including any payments received in connection with a consent or similar solicitation, fees received in connection with an amendment and including principal received in connection with or any payments received with respect to an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral in connection with a consent or similar solicitation, (iv) all proceeds received from the sale of any warrant (whether sold as part of a Unit or separately), (v) any Collateral Disposition Proceeds which are received during the applicable Due Period, as determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date, (vi) amounts representing Purchased Accrued Interest, (vii) amounts transferred from the Loan Funding Account upon the sale or disposition of Delayed Drawdown Loans or Revolving Loans or upon the expiration of a drawdown period or revolving period, (viii) funds (other than income thereon) transferred from a Default Swap Collateral Account to the Collection Account, (ix) any amounts received by the Issuer that do not qualify as Collateral Interest Collections (other than those standing to the credit of any Default Swap Collateral Account or Default Swap Issuer Account) and (x) on or after the Effective Date, any funds in the Initial Deposit Account not considered Collateral Interest Collections). Notwithstanding the foregoing, Collateral Principal Collections shall include (A) any other amounts not included in Collateral Interest Collections or Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections, (B) any payments received with respect to an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral up to, in the aggregate, the Principal Balance of such item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and (C) any amounts recharacterized as Collateral Principal Collections in connection with any distribution of Payment Date Equity Securities.

"Collateral Quality Formula": As such term is defined in the Indenture.

"Collateral Quality Matrix": As described under "Security for the Notes—Criteria for Purchase and Substitution of Collateral—Collateral Quality Matrix Tests."

"Collection Account": The account established with the Trustee for use in connection with the collection and disbursement of Collections.

"Collections": With respect to any Payment Date, the sum of (i) the Collateral Interest Collections collected during the applicable Due Period and (ii) the Collateral Principal Collections collected during the applicable Due Period, as each is determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date.

"Combination Note": The U.S.\$10,000,000 Combination Notes due August 2024.

"Controlling Class": Shall mean the Class A-1LA Notes, so long as any Class A-1LA Notes are Outstanding, then the Class A-1LB Notes, so long as any Class A-1LB Notes are Outstanding, then the Class A-2L Notes, so long as any Class A-2L Notes are Outstanding, then the Class A-3L Notes, so long as any Class A-3L Notes are Outstanding, then the Class B-1L Notes, so long as any Class B-1L Notes are Outstanding, then the Class B-2L Notes, so long as any Class B-2L Notes are Outstanding.

"Coupon Adjustment": A proportional reduction of the required Weighted Average Coupon of the Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral or the required Weighted Average Margin of the Floating Rate Collateral, as determined in accordance with the Indenture, to the extent that either the actual Weighted Average Margin of the Floating Rate Collateral or the actual Weighted Average Coupon of the Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral, respectively, exceeds the required amount specified in the Indenture, in each case without regard to any Coupon Adjustment.

"CSA": The ISDA Credit Support Annex attached to and part of the initial Cap Agreement.

"Credit Event": As defined under "Special Considerations—Nature of Collateral Pledged to Secure the Notes; Ability to Obtain Additional Portfolio Collateral; Availability of Funds for Subordinate Payments.

"Credit Improved Criteria": Shall mean with respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral, in the Servicer's reasonable judgment, such item of Portfolio Collateral has significantly improved in credit quality, and:

(a) Moody's, S&P or Fitch has placed such item of Portfolio Collateral or any other class of security issued together with such item of Portfolio Collateral (or, if such item of Portfolio Collateral is not rated, the issuer thereof) on its credit watch list (or similar list) with the potential for developing positive credit implications since the date the Issuer first acquired such item of Portfolio Collateral (and for so long as such item of Portfolio Collateral or issuer, as applicable, remains on such list) or there has been an upgrade in the rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral, issuer or other class of security issued together with such item of Portfolio Collateral, as applicable, by Moody's, S&P or Fitch by one or more subcategories from the rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral or issuer, as applicable, by Moody's, S&P or Fitch, as applicable, in effect on the date the Issuer first acquired such item of Portfolio Collateral;

(b) with respect to a Portfolio Loan, since the date on which such Portfolio Loan was first acquired by the Issuer, has increased in price to 101.0% or more of its original purchase price or the spread of which over the related reference rate has been reduced, in each case, in accordance with its Underlying Instruments since the date on which such item of Portfolio Collateral was first acquired by the Issuer by 0.25% or more (in the case of an item of Portfolio Collateral with a spread over the related reference rate less than or equal to 2.00% at the time such item of Portfolio Collateral was first acquired by the Issuer) or 0.50% or more (in the case of an item of Portfolio Collateral with a spread over the related reference rate greater than 2.00% at the time such item of Portfolio Collateral was first acquired by the Issuer) for reasons primarily due to an improvement in the related borrower's financial ratios or financial results and not as a result of general market conditions; or

(c) with respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral which is not a Portfolio Loan, an increase in the market price (expressed as a percentage of par value) since the date of purchase of such item of Portfolio Collateral which, compared to the change in the average market price of a representative sample (as determined by the Servicer) of other debt securities with similar terms and credit characteristics and that would be eligible to be pledged as Portfolio Collateral, is greater than 3.00% of the par value or more relative to such representative sample; or a decrease since the date of purchase of such item of Portfolio Collateral of more than 10.0% in the difference between the yield to worst call on such item of Portfolio Collateral compared to the yield on the relevant United States Treasury security;

*provided, however*, that the criteria in (b) and (c) above may be used only as corroboration of other bases for the Servicer's Judgment.

"Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral": Any item of Portfolio Collateral which, (a) in the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment consistent with the standard of care set forth in the Servicing Agreement (*provided*, that in forming such judgment a decrease in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases of such judgment), has improved in credit quality or otherwise satisfies the Credit Improved Criteria or (b) is sold pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange.

"Credit Protection Payment": As defined under "Special Considerations—Nature of Collateral Pledged to Secure the Notes; Ability to Obtain Additional Portfolio Collateral; Availability of Funds for Subordinate Payments.

"Credit Risk Criteria": Shall mean with respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral:

(a) Moody's, Fitch or S&P has placed such item of Portfolio Collateral or any other class of security issued together with such item of Portfolio Collateral (or, if such item of Portfolio Collateral is not rated, the issuer thereof) on its credit watch list with the potential for developing negative credit implications (or similar list) since the date the Issuer first acquired such item of Portfolio Collateral (and for so long as such item of Portfolio Collateral or issuer, as applicable, remains on such list) or there has been a reduction in the rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral, issuer or other class of security issued together with such item of Portfolio Collateral, as applicable, by Moody's, Fitch or S&P, as applicable, by one or more subcategories from the rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral or issuer, as applicable, by Moody's, Fitch or S&P, as applicable, in effect on the date the Issuer first acquired such item of Portfolio Collateral;

(b) which is a Portfolio Loan, the spread over the applicable reference rate has been increased in accordance with the related Underlying Instruments since the date on which such Portfolio Loan was first acquired by the Issuer by 0.50% or more (in the case of a Portfolio Loan with a spread over the applicable reference rate at the time such Portfolio Loan was first acquired by the Issuer less than or equal to 2.00%) or 0.75% or more (in the case of a Portfolio Loan with a spread over the applicable reference rate at the time such Portfolio Loan was first acquired by the Issuer greater than 2.00%) primarily due to a deterioration in the related borrower's financial ratios or financial results and not as a result of general market conditions; *provided, however*, that the criteria in this paragraph (b) may be used only as corroboration of other bases for the Servicer's judgment;

(c) which is a CLO Security, a decline in the par amount of underlying collateral such that the aggregate par amount of the entire class of securities to which such item of Portfolio Collateral belongs and all other securities secured by the same pool of collateral and that rank senior in priority of payment to such class of securities exceeds the aggregate par amount of all collateral (excluding defaulted collateral) securing such securities; or

(d) it is a Deferred Interest PIK Bond or a partial Deferred Interest PIK Bond.

"Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral": Any item of Portfolio Collateral (other than an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) which, in the Servicer's commercially reasonable business judgment consistent with the standard of care set forth in the Servicing Agreement (which judgment shall not be questioned as a result of subsequent events; *provided* that in forming such judgment an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases of such judgment), (i) is likely to decline in credit quality and, with the passage of time, become Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and (ii) if a Sales Restriction Condition has occurred, otherwise satisfies the Credit Risk Criteria.

"Cumulative Interest Amount": With respect to a Payment Date and a Class of Notes, the applicable Periodic Interest Amount with respect to such Payment Date and the applicable Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount, if any, with respect to such Payment Date.

"Current Pay Obligation": An item of Portfolio Collateral that would otherwise be an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral but as to which (i) no interest or principal payments (including deferred interest) are due and payable that are unpaid and the Servicer reasonably expects that the issuer or obligor of such Portfolio Collateral will continue to make scheduled payments of interest thereon and principal thereof and will pay the principal thereof by maturity, (ii) if the issuer or obligor of such item of Portfolio Collateral is subject to a bankruptcy proceeding, a bankruptcy court has authorized the payment of interest due and payable on such item of Portfolio Collateral, and (iii) either (a) the Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral is equal to or greater than 80% of par and the Moody's Rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral is at least "Caa1", (b) the Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral is equal to or greater than 85% of par and the Moody's Rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral is at least "Caa2" (or, if the Moody's Rating has been withdrawn, the Moody's Rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral was at least "Caa2" prior to withdrawal) or (c) the Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral is equal to or greater than 85% of par and the Moody's Rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral is below "Caa2" (or, if the Moody's Rating has been withdrawn, the Moody's Rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral was below "Caa2") prior to withdrawal.

"Current Portfolio": As described under "Security for the Notes—S&P CDO Monitor Test."

"Debt Security": Interests in corporate and other debt securities, including senior secured rate floating notes (other than Eligible Investments, CLO Securities and Portfolio Loans), and, for the avoidance of doubt, Portfolio Loans shall not be considered Debt Securities.

"Default": Any event or condition the occurrence or existence of which would, with the giving of notice or lapse of time or both become, an Event of Default.

"Defaulted Portfolio Collateral": Any item of Portfolio Collateral (other than an item of Portfolio Collateral which is a DIP Loan, unless such item of Portfolio Collateral itself is in default since acquisition), including with respect to a Synthetic Security, the related Reference Obligation, with respect to which:

(i) the issuer thereof has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (in respect of Portfolio Loans only, beyond five Business Days, *provided* the Servicer certifies in writing to the Trustee that it believes, in its reasonable business judgment, that such delay is not credit related), unless, in the case of a failure of such issuer to make required interest payments, such issuer has resumed current cash payments of interest and paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon;

(ii) such item of Portfolio Collateral is *pari passu* with or subordinated to other material indebtedness for borrowed money owing by the issuer thereof ("Other Indebtedness") and such issuer has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (beyond any applicable grace or notice period and without regard to any waiver of such default) on such Other Indebtedness, unless, in the case of a failure of such issuer to make required interest payments, such issuer has resumed current cash payments of interest and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon;

(iii) certain bankruptcy or insolvency events have occurred;

(iv) the Servicer has knowledge (or such rating information has been published) that the issuer thereof is rated "D" or "SD" by S&P (or S&P has withdrawn its rating which prior to such withdrawal was rated "D" or "SD");

(v) such item of Portfolio Collateral is a PIK Bond or Partial Deferred Interest Bond as to which the issuer thereof or obligor thereon (or, in the case of a Synthetic Security, the related Reference Obligor) has previously deferred or capitalized any interest due thereon for (a) the lesser of (i) 6 months and (ii) one Payment Date (except to the extent all interest so deferred or capitalized has subsequently been paid in full in cash, including interest thereon) if such item of Portfolio Collateral has a Moody's Rating below "Baa3" or (b) the lesser of (i) one year and (ii) two consecutive Payment Dates (except to the extent all interest so deferred or capitalized has subsequently been paid in full in cash, including interest thereon) if such item of Portfolio Collateral has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" or greater;

(vi) there has been proposed or effected any distressed exchange or other distressed debt restructuring where the issuer of such Portfolio Collateral has offered the debt holders a new security or package of securities that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer amounts to a diminished financial obligation;

(vii) such item of Portfolio Collateral is declared to be an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral by the Servicer, but only so long as it remains so designated by the Servicer in its sole discretion;

(viii) such item of Portfolio Collateral is a CLO Security which is rated "CC" or below by S&P (or S&P has withdrawn its rating which prior to such withdrawal was rated "CC"), or rated "C" or "Ca" or below by Moody's;

(ix) such item of Portfolio Collateral is a Participation that would, if the underlying loan were an item of Portfolio Collateral, be an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral under any of clauses (i) through (iii) above or with respect to which the Selling Institution has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Participation; or

(x) such item of Portfolio Collateral is a Synthetic Security referencing a Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were an item of Portfolio Collateral, be an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral under any of clauses (i) through (iv) above or with respect to which the Synthetic Security Counterparty has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Synthetic Security;

*provided* that any item of Portfolio Collateral that is classified as an item of "Defaulted Portfolio Collateral" will cease to be so classified if such item of Portfolio Collateral, at any date thereafter, (a) would not otherwise be classified as an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral in accordance with the definition of such term and (b) otherwise meets the collateral criteria described herein as of such date.

**"Default Swap":** Any U.S. dollar denominated "pay as you go" credit default swap or total return swap with respect to a Reference Obligation, which the Issuer (directly or indirectly) purchased from or entered into with a Default Swap Counterparty, which contains equivalent probability of default, recovery upon default (or a specific percentage thereof), expected loss, maturity, interest rate and other non-credit characteristics as those of the related Reference Obligation (without taking account of such considerations as they relate to the Default Swap Counterparty); *provided* that (i) the Reference Obligation is a CLO Security, (ii) such Default Swap will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. Federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to U.S. Federal income tax on a net income tax basis, (iii) either (a) amounts receivable by the Issuer are not expected to (based on the Servicer's determination, which may include consultation with counsel to the Issuer) be subject to U.S. or foreign withholding tax in respect of the Default Swap or (b) the Default Swap Counterparty is required to make "gross-up" payments pursuant to the related Underlying Instruments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax on an after-tax basis (including any tax on such additional payments), (iv) the Issuer has caused to be deposited in a Default Swap Collateral Account an amount in cash at least equal to the aggregate of (or the amount required under the terms of the Synthetic Security to provide for) all further payments (contingent or otherwise) that the Issuer is or may be required to make to the Default Swap Counterparty under the Default Swap; (v) the agreement relating to such Default Swap contains "non-petition" provisions with respect to the Issuer and "limited recourse" provisions limiting the Default Swap Counterparty's rights in respect of the Default Swap Collateral to the funds and other property credited to the Default Swap Collateral Account related to such Default Swap; (vi) the notional amount of such Default Swap is equal to the principal amount of the Reference Obligation; (vii) the agreement relating to such Default Swap Collateral contains provisions to the effect that upon the occurrence of an "Event of Default" or "Termination Event" (other than an "Illegality" or "Tax Event"), if any, where the Default Swap Counterparty is the sole "Defaulting Party" or the sole "Affected Party" ("Event of Default," "Termination Event," "Illegality," "Tax Event," "Defaulting Party" or "Affected Party," as applicable, as such terms are defined in the ISDA Master Agreement relating to such Default Swap), (a) the Issuer may terminate its obligations under such Default Swap and upon such termination and payment of any termination amount payable under the Default Swap, any lien in favor of the Default Swap Counterparty over its related Default Swap Collateral Account will be terminated and (b) upon payment of any termination amount payable under the Default Swap, the Issuer will no longer be obligated to make any payments to the Default Swap Counterparty with respect to such Default Swap, (viii) any Default Swap shall be positively indexed to the related Reference Obligation on no more than a one-to-one basis, (ix) if any Reference Obligation delivered pursuant to any Default Swap does not constitute Portfolio Collateral and it would cause any collateral quality test or concentration limitation not to be satisfied, such Reference Obligation shall be deemed Equity Portfolio Collateral, and (x) (a) such Default Swap shall be documented with a standard ISDA form master agreement, as modified by appropriate schedules and confirmations and (b) (1) such Default Swap is a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or (2) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the purchase of or entry into such Default Swap.

**"Default Swap Collateral":** Means cash, securities or other collateral, meeting the definition of Eligible Investments, purchased or posted by the Issuer for the benefit of the Default Swap Counterparty in connection with the purchase of a Default Swap, including without limitation a payment of cash or delivery of securities by the Issuer.

**"Default Swap Collateral Account":** The account established by the Trustee under the Indenture with respect to Default Swap Collateral, which account will be held in the name of the Trustee in trust for the benefit of the related Default Swap Counterparty.

"Default Swap Counterparty": Any entity, whose long term senior unsecured debt or derivatives counterparty rating shall be at least "A2" by Moody's and a long term rating of at least "A" or a short term rating of at least "A-1" by S&P, required to make payments on Synthetic Portfolio Collateral pursuant to the terms of such Default Swap or any guarantee thereof to the extent that a Reference Obligor makes payments on a related Reference Obligation.

"Default Swap Counterparty Termination Payment": An amount payable by the Issuer to a Default Swap Counterparty that is due following the designation of an "Early Termination Date" (as defined in the related credit default swap) (other than in respect of "Illegality" or a "Tax Event" (each as defined in the related credit default swap)), as to which the Default Swap Counterparty is the sole "Defaulting Party" or the sole "Affected Party" (as each such term is defined in the ISDA Master Agreement related to such Synthetic Security).

"Default Swap Issuer Account": The account established by the Trustee under the Indenture with respect to any Synthetic Security if the terms of such Default Swap require the Default Swap Counterparty to secure its obligations with respect to such Default Swap, which account will be held in the name of the Trustee in trust for the benefit of the Noteholders and the other secured parties under the Indenture.

"Deferred Interest PIK Bond": As of any date of determination, any PIK Bond that is not an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral that has, in accordance with its terms, deferred or paid "in-kind" any amount of interest for a period equal to:

(a) in the case of an item of Portfolio Collateral that has a Moody's Rating below "Baa3" (or, if rated "Baa3," is on credit watch for possible downgrade) or, if rated by S&P, a rating by S&P below "BBB-" (or, if rated "BBB-," is on credit watch for possible downgrade), the shorter of one accrual period or six months; and

(b) in all other cases, the shorter of two accrual periods or twelve months;

and has not, as of such date of determination, resumed timely payment of current interest in cash and repaid all outstanding deferred or capitalized interest in cash. For the avoidance of doubt, an item of Portfolio Collateral will not constitute a Deferred Interest PIK Bond if it resumes timely payment of current interest in cash and repays all outstanding deferred or capitalized interest in cash on the Payment Date immediately succeeding the end of the interest accrual period(s) set forth above.

"Definitive Notes": With respect to any Class, the definitive fully registered Notes of each Class sold in the United States to Qualified Institutional Buyers who are U.S. Persons or issued in lieu of a Regulation S Global Note under the circumstances described herein.

"Delayed Drawdown Loan": A Portfolio Loan that, pursuant to the related Underlying Instrument or Underlying Loan and Security Agreement and lender or lenders, would obligate the Issuer, if the Issuer were to become a lender thereunder by purchasing such Portfolio Loan for inclusion in the Trust Estate, to make or otherwise fund one or more future advances to the related borrower and meeting the criteria described under "Security for the Notes—Criteria for Purchase and Substitution of Collateral;" *provided* that, if a Delayed Drawdown Loan has been drawn in full and there are no future advance obligations to the related borrower, such Portfolio Loan will no longer be considered a Delayed Drawdown Loan.

"Deposit": The cash deposited in the Initial Deposit Account on the Closing Date, including any reimbursement for amounts withdrawn therefrom as described under "Security for the Notes—Accounts" (excluding any Account Income thereon), which amount shall include certain amounts related to interest received on Portfolio Collateral as specified in the Indenture.

"DIP Loan": Any interest in a loan or financing facility (a) which at the time of purchase is an obligation of a debtor-in-possession pursuant to Section 364 of United States the Bankruptcy Code, (b) the terms of which have been approved by an order of a United States Bankruptcy Court, a United States District Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, the enforceability of which order is not subject to any pending contested matter or proceeding (as such terms are defined in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure), (c) which has the priority

allowed by either Section 364(c) or 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code, (d) which pays interest in cash on a current basis and (e) as to which the obligor has paid its most recent scheduled interest and principal payments (if any) and the Servicer reasonably expects that such obligor will continue to pay interest and principal payments. For purposes hereof, a DIP Loan shall not be considered a Current Pay Obligation. Any DIP Loan added as an item of Portfolio Collateral must be assigned a formal or estimated rating by each of the Rating Agencies.

"Discount Portfolio Collateral": (a) Any Portfolio Loan (including a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of which is a Portfolio Loan) which was purchased at a price less than 85% of the Principal Balance thereof, (b) any item of Portfolio Collateral which is a CLO Security (including a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of which is a CLO Security) and which had a Moody's Rating of below "Aa3" at the time of purchase which was purchased at a price less than 80% of the Principal Balance thereof and (c) any item of Portfolio Collateral which is a CLO Security (including a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of which is a CLO Security) and which had a Moody's Rating of "Aa3" or greater at the time of purchase which was purchased at a price less than 92% of the Principal Balance thereof; *provided that* (i) (x) any Portfolio Loan (including a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of which is a Portfolio Loan) that would otherwise be considered Discount Portfolio Collateral, but that has a Market Value above 90% of its Principal Balance for 22 consecutive Business Days after being purchased by the Issuer, will no longer be considered Discount Portfolio Collateral, (y) any item of Portfolio Collateral which is a CLO Security (including a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of which is a CLO Security) and which had a Moody's Rating of below "Aa3" at the time of purchase that would otherwise be considered Discount Portfolio Collateral, but that has a Market Value above 85% of its Principal Balance for 60 consecutive Business Days after being purchased by the Issuer, will no longer be considered Discount Portfolio Collateral, and (z) any item of Portfolio Collateral which is a CLO Security (including a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of which is a CLO Security) and which had a Moody's Rating of "Aa3" or greater at the time of purchase that would otherwise be considered Discount Portfolio Collateral, but that has a Market Value above 95% of its Principal Balance for 60 consecutive days after being purchased by the Issuer will no longer be considered Discount Portfolio Collateral; and (ii) any item of Portfolio Collateral that is a Portfolio Loan (including a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of which is a Portfolio Loan) that would otherwise be considered Discount Portfolio Collateral, but that is purchased with the proceeds of sale of an item of Portfolio Collateral that was not an item of Discount Portfolio Collateral at the time of its purchase, so long as such item of Portfolio Collateral (a) was purchased or committed to be purchased within five Business Days of such sale, (b) was purchased at a price (as a percentage of par) equal to or greater than the sale price of the sold item of Portfolio Collateral, (c) was purchased at a purchase price not less than 65% of the Principal Balance thereof and (d) had a rating equal to or greater than the rating of the sold item of Portfolio Collateral, will not be considered Discount Portfolio Collateral. Notwithstanding the foregoing, at no time during the period commencing on the Closing Date through the Final Maturity Date, shall the Aggregate Principal Amount of all items of Discount Portfolio Collateral purchased pursuant to clause (ii) exceed in the aggregate 10% of the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount; *provided further that* no more than 3.5% of the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount of such 10% cumulative limitation may consist of CLO Securities; *provided further that*, if an item of Portfolio Collateral that is a Portfolio Loan purchased pursuant to clause (ii) above is repaid in full, is sold for a price equal to at least 97.5% of its unpaid Principal Balance or has a Market Value above 90% of its Principal Balance for at least 22 consecutive Business Days after being purchased, such item of Portfolio Collateral shall not be taken into account for purposes of the 10% limitation in clause (ii) above; *provided further that*, as of any date of determination, the Aggregate Principal Amount of items of Portfolio Collateral that are Portfolio Loans in the Trust Estate purchased pursuant to clause (ii) above, may not exceed (x) 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount or (y) if the weighted average purchase price of items of Portfolio Collateral that are Portfolio Loans purchased pursuant to clause (ii)(b) above is less than 75% as of such date of determination, 2.5% of the Aggregate Par Amount. In addition, when determining whether an Underlying Security purchased in combination with a Coupon Security constitutes, collectively, an item of Discount Portfolio Collateral, the sum of the total dollar purchase prices of such Underlying Security and Coupon Security divided by the face amount of the Underlying Security shall be used to determine whether such item of Portfolio Collateral is an item of Discount Portfolio Collateral.

"Distributable Equity Securities": Any and all Equity Portfolio Collateral, which cannot be sold by the Servicer as a result of the regulatory, market or other restrictions, as determined in good faith by the Servicer, and shall have the value as determined by an independent third party with relevant experience in making such valuation.

"DTC": The Depository Trust Company or any successor thereto.



**"Due Period":** With respect to any Payment Date, the period beginning on the day following the last day of the immediately preceding Due Period (or, in the case of the Due Period that is applicable to the first Payment Date beginning on the Closing Date) and ending at the close of business on the seventh Business Day preceding such Payment Date. Amounts that would otherwise have been payable in respect of an item of Portfolio Collateral on the last day of a Due Period but for such day's not being designated a business day in the Underlying Instruments and/or as a result of a grace period for payment, if any, extending beyond the last day of a Due Period may, at the Collateral Manager's discretion, be considered included in collections received during such Due Period *provided* that such amounts are received by the third Business Day immediately preceding the Payment Date.

**"Effective Date":** The earlier of (i) the first date on which the Deposit has been applied to the purchase (or committed to the purchase), of Original Portfolio Collateral such that the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any of the Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date) is at least equal to the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount or (ii) November 1, 2007.

**"Eligible Guarantor":** An entity that has credit ratings at least equal to the Moody's Required Ratings Threshold and S&P Approved Ratings Threshold.

**"Eligible Guaranty":** An unconditional and irrevocable guaranty of all present and future payment obligations and obligations to post collateral of the Hedge Counterparty or an Eligible Replacement to the Issuer under the Hedge Agreement that is provided by an Eligible Guarantor as principal debtor rather than surety and that is directly enforceable by the Issuer, the form and substance of which guaranty are subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to S&P.

**"Eligible Investments":** Any U.S. dollar denominated investment that is one or more of the following (including security entitlements with respect thereto):

(a) direct registered obligations of, and registered obligations fully guaranteed by, the United States of America or any agency or instrumentality of the United States of America the obligations of which are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America or United States Security Entitlements (as defined in the Indenture) other than obligations or security entitlements of the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation; *provided, however*, that, in the case of obligations or United States Security Entitlements that are rated, each such obligation shall, at the time of its inclusion in the Trust Estate, have a credit rating of "AA-" or better or "A-1+" or better, as applicable, by S&P (except that Eligible Investments in an amount up to 20% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes Outstanding may be rated "A-1") and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) or "P-1" or better by Moody's, and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications);

(b) demand and time deposits in, trust accounts with, and certificates of deposit of, any depository institution or trust company (including the Trustee) incorporated under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof and subject to the supervision and examination by federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or debt obligations of such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company) at the time of purchase or contractual commitment providing for such purchase have a credit rating of "AA-" or better, in the case of debt obligations, or "A-1+" or better, in the case of commercial paper, by S&P (except that Eligible Investments in an amount up to 20% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes Outstanding may be rated "A-1") and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) or "P-1" or better by Moody's, and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications);

(c) registered securities bearing interest or sold at a discount issued by any corporation incorporated under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof that have a credit rating of "AA-" or better by S&P and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) or "P-1" or better by Moody's at the time of such purchase or contractual commitment providing for such purchase, and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications);

(d) repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clause (a) above, entered into with a depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (b) above (including the Trustee) or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose short-term debt has a credit rating of "A-1+" (except that Eligible Investments in an amount up to 20% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes Outstanding may be rated "A-1") or better by S&P and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) or "P-1" or better by Moody's at the time of purchase in the case of any repurchase obligation for a security having a maturity not more than 183 days from the date of its issuance or whose long-term debt has a credit rating of "AA-" or better by S&P and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) by Moody's at the time of purchase in the case of any repurchase obligation for a security having a maturity more than 183 days from the date of its issuance and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications);

(e) commercial paper having at the time of purchase a credit rating of "A-1+" (except that an amount up to 20% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes Outstanding may be rated "A-1") or better by S&P and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) or "P-1" or better by Moody's and that has a maturity of not more than 183 days from its date of issuance; *provided, however*, that in the case of commercial paper with a maturity of longer than 91 days, the issuer of such commercial paper (or, in the case of a principal depository institution in a holding company system, the holding company of such system), if rated by S&P, must have at the time of purchase a long-term credit rating of "AA-" or better by S&P and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) by Moody's and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications);

(f) off-shore money market funds, which funds have, at all times, the highest credit rating assigned to such investment category by S&P and Moody's; and

(g) such other Eligible Investments acceptable to the Rating Agencies;

*provided, however*, that: (i) Eligible Investments purchased with funds in the Collection Account shall be held until maturity (or sold only for an amount at least equal to the par amount of such Eligible Investment) and shall include only such obligations or securities as mature no later than the Business Day prior to the next Payment Date and Eligible Investments purchased with funds in the Initial Deposit Account shall be held until maturity (or sold only for an amount at least equal to the par amount of such Eligible Investment) and shall include only such obligations or securities as mature no later than the Business Day prior to the date expected to be used and in any event prior to the Initial Deposit Redemption Date; (ii) none of the foregoing obligations or securities shall constitute Eligible Investments if all, or substantially all, of the remaining amounts payable thereunder shall consist of interest and not principal payments; (iii) none of the S&P ratings required above shall have a subscript of "r", "t", "p", "pi" or "q"; (iv) none of the foregoing obligations or securities shall constitute Eligible Investments if such obligations or securities are mortgage-backed securities; (v) no such obligation may be margin stock, securities which have a mandatory or optional conversion to equity or securities which are subject to an Offer; (vi) no such obligation may have coupons or other payments that are subject to U.S. withholding tax or are subject to foreign withholding under the terms of the underlying instruments where the issuer is not required to make "gross-up" payments sufficient to cause the net amount to be received on the debt obligations to equal the amount that would have been paid had no such withholding tax applied and the acquisition (including manner of acquisition), ownership or disposition of no such obligation shall cause the Issuer to be engaged or deemed engaged in a U.S. trade or business for U.S. federal income tax purposes; and (vii) any such Eligible Investment purchased on the basis of S&P's short-term rating of "A-1" shall mature not later than thirty (30) days after the date of purchase. Eligible Investments may include those Eligible Investments with respect to which the Trustee or any of its Affiliates provide services or is the obligor or depository institution.

"Eligible Replacement": An entity that either (i) satisfies the S&P Approved Ratings Threshold and the Moody's Required Ratings Threshold or (ii) provides an Eligible Guaranty from an Eligible Guarantor.

"Equity Portfolio Collateral": Any security (or any other right, interest or property or security entitlement) which does not entitle the holder thereof to receive periodic payments of interest no less frequently than semiannually and one or more installments of principal, in cash and sufficient to retire in full the stated principal amount thereof on the stated maturity date therefor; *provided, however*, that such definition will not include

warrants, profit participations or similar equity-based rights that are a component of a Unit to the extent that the Aggregate Principal Amount of Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate with a warrant, profit participation or similar equity-based right attached thereto as a component of a Unit does not exceed 10% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Pledged Securities in the Trust Estate.

"ERISA": The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended from time to time.

"Euroclear": Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of The Euroclear System, and any successor thereto.

"Event of Default": The meaning specified herein under "Legal Structure—The Indenture—Events of Default."

"Exchange Act": The United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

"Exchange Date": As defined under "Description of the Notes—Form, Transfer and Transfer Restrictions."

"Exchange Offer": With respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral, (i) an offer by the issuer of such item of Portfolio Collateral or by any other Person made to all holders of such item of Portfolio Collateral to exchange such item of Portfolio Collateral held by them for an item of Equity Portfolio Collateral or other debt instruments that do not otherwise satisfy the definition of Portfolio Collateral or (ii) any solicitation by such issuer or other Person to amend, modify or waive any provision of such item of Portfolio Collateral or of the related Underlying Instrument, the effect of which would be to convert such item of Portfolio Collateral into an item of Equity Portfolio Collateral or other debt instruments that do not otherwise satisfy the definition of Portfolio Collateral.

"Expense Reimbursement Account": An account maintained by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer into which U.S.\$50,000 will be deposited on the Closing Date for the purpose of paying Issuer Base Administrative Expenses which are paid between Payment Dates when they are due and payable during such time.

"Extended Final Maturity Date": Shall mean, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Final Maturity Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Final Maturity Date, the Payment Date in August 2028).

"Extended Revolving Period End Date": As defined under "Confidential Offering Circular Summary—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date."

"Extended Weighted Average Life Date": As defined under "Confidential Offering Circular Summary—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date."

"Extension": Shall mean an extension of the Revolving Period, the Final Maturity Date of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test in accordance with the Indenture.

"Extension Bonus Payment": Shall mean, with respect to each Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable Noteholder set forth in "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date" in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Class A-1LA Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class A-1LB Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (3) in the case of the Class A-2L Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Date, (4) in the case of the Class A-3L Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (5) in the case of the Class B-1L Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date and (6) in the case of the Class B-2L Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

"Extension Conditions": As defined under "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date."

"Extension Determination Date": Shall mean the 8th Business Day prior to each Extension Effective Date.

"Extension Effective Date": As defined under "Confidential Offering Circular Summary—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date."

"Extension Notice": As defined under "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date."

"Extension Purchase Price": Shall mean the purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with each Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof, *plus* accrued and unpaid interest as of the applicable Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), (ii) in the case of the Preferred Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preferred Shares since the Closing Date would cause such Preferred Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) an Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a "Payment Date" under the Indenture); *provided, however*, that if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received an Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Preferred Shares shall be zero.

"Extension Qualifying Purchasers": Shall mean the Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event the Servicer elects not to purchase Securities from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date"; "Extension Qualifying Purchasers" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchasers or any of their Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; *provided, however*, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers, or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

"Extension Sale Notice": As defined under "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date."

"Extension Sale Notice Period": As defined under "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date."

"Extension Sale Securities": As defined under "Description of the Notes—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date."

"Final Maturity Date": With respect to the Notes the Payment Date occurring in August 2024 or such earlier date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Notes, is paid in full, including in connection with an Optional Redemption; *provided* that the "Final Maturity Date" with respect to the Notes will be extended to the applicable Extended Final Maturity Date upon the occurrence of a Maturity Extension.

"Firm Offer": With respect to any Hedge Agreement, an offer which, when made, is capable of becoming legally binding upon acceptance.

"Fitch": Fitch Ratings or any successor thereto.

"Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral": An item of Portfolio Collateral that bears interest at a fixed rate.

"Floating Rate Collateral": An item of Portfolio Collateral that bears interest at a floating rate.

"Form-Approved Synthetic Security": A Synthetic Security (a)(i) the Reference Obligation of which would be eligible for purchase by the Issuer as an item of Portfolio Collateral without any required action by the Rating Agencies or for which each of the Rating Agencies has confirmed in writing that the use of which would not result in a reduction or withdrawal of the then-current rating of any Class of Notes or (ii) the Reference Obligation of which would satisfy clause (i) but for the currency in which it is payable and such Synthetic Security is payable in

U.S. dollars, does not provide for physical settlement and does not expose the Issuer to currency risk, (b) the documentation of which conforms (but for the amount and timing of periodic payments, the name of the Reference Obligation, the notional amount, the effective date, the termination date and other similarly necessary changes) to a form in respect of which each of the Rating Agencies has confirmed in writing that the use of which would not result in a reduction or withdrawal of the then-current rating of any Class of Notes was previously obtained, (c) which provides that any "credit event" thereunder shall not include restructuring (other than modified restructuring as defined in the 2003 ISDA Credit Derivative Definitions), repudiation, moratorium, obligation default or obligation acceleration unless such Synthetic Security may be settled only through a physical settlement of a deliverable obligation to the Issuer and not in cash, (d) which has been certified in writing by the Servicer to the Trustee and the Issuer as meeting the requirements of this definition and (e) for which the Issuer has provided S&P and Moody's notice of the purchase of such Synthetic Security no less than five Business Days prior to such purchase; *provided* that Moody's or S&P may revoke its consent to a Form-Approved Synthetic Security upon 30 days' written notice to the Trustee and the Issuer.

"Global Note": Rule 144A Global Notes, together with Regulation S Global Notes.

"Group A Country": Australia, Canada, the United Kingdom, the Federal Republic of Germany or The Netherlands (so long as the U.S. dollar denominated sovereign debt obligations of such jurisdiction are rated at least "Aa2" by Moody's and the foreign currency issuer credit rating assigned by S&P to such jurisdiction is at least "AA" and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications)).

"Group B Country": Austria, Belgium, Bermuda, Denmark, Finland, France, Ireland, Italy, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden or Switzerland or any other member state of the European Union (as of the Closing Date) identified from time to time by the Servicer and subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency with respect thereto (so long as the U.S. dollar denominated sovereign debt obligations of such jurisdiction are rated at least "Aa2" by Moody's and the foreign currency issuer credit rating assigned by S&P to such jurisdiction is at least "AA" and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications)).

"Hedge Agreement": As described under "The Hedge Agreements."

"Hedge Counterparty": Any institution entering into or guaranteeing a Hedge Agreement with the Issuer.

"HFP": Highland Financial Partners, L.P., or an affiliate or subsidiary thereof, in each case, an affiliate of the Servicer.

"HFP Shares": Preferred Shares beneficially owned or controlled by HFP.

"Highland": Highland Capital Management, L.P.

"Holder" and "Noteholder": The Person in whose name a Note or Combination Note is registered in the Note Register or in whose name a Preferred Share or Preferred Share Component is registered in the Preferred Share Register.

"Indenture": The Indenture to be dated as of May 9, 2007 among the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and Investors Bank & Trust Company, as trustee and as securities intermediary, pursuant to which the Notes will be issued, as it may be amended or supplemented from time to time.

"Initial Consent Period": Shall mean the period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee provided notice of a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of any Notes or Preferred Shares.

"Initial Deposit Account": An account maintained by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer into which the cash constituting the Deposit will be deposited on the Closing Date pending use to purchase additional Original Portfolio Collateral.

"Initial Deposit Redemption": A redemption of the Class A-1LA Notes as described under "Description of the Notes—Initial Deposit Redemption."

"Initial Deposit Redemption Date": The November 2007 Payment Date.

"Initial Portfolio Collateral" : The Portfolio Collateral that, in the case of CLO Securities, will be purchased on or prior to the Closing Date and, in the case of Portfolio Loans, will be purchased on or before the Closing Date or identified by the Issuer and for which commitments will be entered into on or prior to the Closing Date for purchase on or as soon as practicable after (not scheduled to exceed sixty (60) days after) the Closing Date with the net proceeds from the sale of the Notes and the net proceeds from the sale of the Preferred Shares on the Closing Date, which Initial Portfolio Collateral is set forth in the Indenture.

"Initial Portfolio Collateral Amount": U.S.\$900,000,000 (or such larger Aggregate Principal Amount of Portfolio Collateral as may be purchased on or before the Closing Date by the Issuer).

"Initial Purchasers": Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. and Cantor Fitzgerald & Co.

"Insured Notes": As described under "Description of the Notes—Option to Acquire Bond Insurance."

"Interest Coverage Ratio": As described under "Description of the Notes—Interest Coverage Test."

"Interest Coverage Test": A test which is applicable on each Payment Date after the second Payment Date and will be satisfied as of such determination date if the Interest Coverage Ratio will be at least 1.5%.

"Internal Rate of Return": With respect to any Payment Date, the annualized discount rate at which the sum of the discounted values of the following cashflows is equal to zero, assuming discounting on a quarterly basis as of each Payment Date: (1) the Notional Amount of the Preferred Shares (which amount will be deemed to be negative for purposes of this calculation), (2) each distribution of Collateral Interest Collections made to the holders of the Preferred Shares on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Internal Rate of Return, such Payment Date and (3) each distribution of Collateral Principal Collections made to the holders of the Preferred Shares on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Internal Rate of Return, such Payment Date.

"Investment Company Act": The United States Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended from time to time.

"Irish Paying Agent": RSM Robson Rhodes LLP, or any successors thereto.

"Issuer": Rockwall CDO II Ltd., an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands.

"Issuer Base Administrative Expenses": With respect to any Payment Date, the administrative expenses paid or payable by the Issuer during the applicable Due Period, including, without limitation, taxes, government fees, indemnities, registered office fees and expenses for third party loan pricing services and accountants, if any, in the following order: (i) *pro rata*, taxes of the Co-Issuers, surveillance fees, shadow rating fees and credit estimate fees with respect to the Notes and any existing or potential Portfolio Collateral, if any, of the Rating Agencies; fees due to any Listing and Paying Agent; fees due to any stock exchange on which any Class of the Notes or the Preferred Shares are listed; governmental fees, registered office fees and any other fees which are deemed necessary by the Servicer for administration of the Trust Estate, and (ii) *pro rata* reimbursement of expenses (including indemnities) of the Servicer required to be paid pursuant to the Servicing Agreement, the Cap Provider required to be paid pursuant to the Cap Agreement, and all expenses of the Administrator, the Listing and Paying Agent, the Securities Intermediary (if not the same person as the Trustee), the accountants and any fiscal agent retained in connection with the issuance of income notes, if any, in which the primary collateral for such income notes are obligations of the Issuer and all other administrative expenses of the Co-Issuers, each as determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date and as set forth in the related Note Valuation Report.

"Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses": With respect to any Payment Date, (i) the administrative expenses (including indemnities) or other amounts paid or payable by the Issuer during the applicable Due Period, as determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date and as set forth in the related Note Valuation

Report, in excess of the amount of the Issuer Base Administrative Expenses for the corresponding period, (ii) the Trustee's and the Collateral Administrator's administrative expenses and fees for the Due Period (including indemnities) relating to such Payment Date in excess of the amount provided for in the definition of Trustee Administrative Expenses and (iii) Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses for the Due Period relating to such Payment Date in excess of the amount provided for in clause (B) under "Description of the Notes—Adjusted Collateral Collections."

"LIBOR": For any Periodic Interest Accrual Period, the London interbank offered rate for three-month U.S. dollar deposits as determined by the Calculation Agent as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions" herein. LIBOR for the initial Periodic Interest Accrual Period will be determined through the use of straight-line interpolation by reference to two rates calculated in accordance with the provisions above, one of which shall be for five-month U.S. dollar deposits and the other of which shall be for six-month U.S. dollar deposits.

"LIBOR Determination Date": The second London Business Day prior to the commencement of a Periodic Interest Accrual Period.

"Loan Funding Account": An account maintained by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer into which the Issuer will be required to remit the full amount of the Issuer's commitment to make or otherwise fund draws related to any Delayed Drawdown Loans and Revolving Loans in the Portfolio Collateral.

"London Business Day": Any day on which dealings in deposits in U.S. dollars are transacted in the London interbank market.

"Majority": With respect to the Notes, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Outstanding Notes, voting as a single class; *provided* that upon the occurrence of a Default or an Event of Default under the Indenture, "Majority" shall mean the Holders of more than 50% of the Controlling Class, voting together as a single class. With respect to the Preferred Shares, the Holders of more than 50% of the Preferred Shares.

"Mandatory Redemption": An O/C Redemption or a Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption.

"Market Value": On any date of determination with respect to an item of Portfolio Collateral, any of:

(a) the average of the bid-side prices for the purchase of such item of Portfolio Collateral determined by an Approved Pricing Service that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (independent from the Servicer); or

(b) the arithmetic average of bid-side quotations for the purchase of such item of Portfolio Collateral obtained by the Servicer from three or more broker-dealers (*provided* if upon reasonable efforts of the Servicer, quotations from three broker-dealers are not available, the lower of the quotations from two broker-dealers may be used), in each case, independent from the Servicer, in the relevant market; *provided* that one such bid must be from a broker-dealer other than Bear Stearns or an Affiliate of Bear Stearns and any bid received from Bear Stearns or an Affiliate of Bear Stearns hereunder cannot be more than 10% higher than the next highest bid; and

(c) if the determinations of the broker-dealers specified in the foregoing clauses (a) or (b) are not available (as reasonably determined by the Servicer) and so long as the Servicer is subject to the Investment Advisors Act of 1940, as amended, the lesser of (A) the bid-side market value of such item of Portfolio Collateral as certified by the Servicer as consistent with reasonable and customary market practice and (B) the higher of (X) 70% of the Principal Balance of such item of Portfolio Collateral as of such date and (Y) the Principal Balance of such item of Portfolio Collateral as of such date multiplied by its S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate; *provided*, that, as of any date of determination (x) no more than 5.0% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of Portfolio Collateral may have market values determined in the manner

provided in this clause (c) and (y) if the item of Portfolio Collateral constitutes collateral for any other issuer or account managed or serviced by the Servicer or its Affiliates, the Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral determined pursuant to this clause (c) shall be consistent with the market value applied by the Servicer or its Affiliates for such item of Portfolio Collateral for such for such other issuers or accounts; and

(d) if the market value cannot be determined in the manner described in clause (a), (b) or (c) above, an amount equal to the Principal Balance of the Portfolio Collateral as of such date *multiplied* by the Applicable Percentage for such item of Portfolio Collateral; *provided*, that if the market value cannot be determined in the manner described in clauses (a), (b) or (c) above for more than thirty (30) Business Days immediately following any date such market value is determined pursuant to this clause (d), then the market value of such item of Portfolio Collateral shall be automatically deemed to be zero following such thirty (30) Business Day period until the market value can be determined in the manner described in clause (a), (b) or (c) above as of any date of determination;

*provided* that (A) for purposes of determining Market Value, but subject to clause (b) hereof, Bear Stearns will be deemed to be independent from the Servicer (*provided* that any quotes received from such entity will be on an arm's-length basis); (B) the Market Value of any item of Portfolio Collateral with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment to sell but has not settled will be deemed to be the agreed sales price therefor (determined exclusive of accrued interest); and (c) the Market Value is determined only for purposes of compliance with covenants, coverage tests, overcollateralization tests, or any other requirements or tests set forth herein, or the determination of redemption prices.

"Maturity Extension": As defined under "Confidential Offering Circular Summary—Extension of the Revolving Period and the Final Maturity Date."

"Minimum Average Recovery Rate": As described under "Security for the Notes—Criteria for Purchase and Substitution of Collateral—Collateral Quality Matrix Tests."

"Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test": As described under "Security for the Notes—Criteria for Purchase and Substitution of Collateral—Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test."

"Moody's": Moody's Investors Service, Inc. or any successor thereto.

"Moody's Approved Ratings Threshold": With respect to an entity (or its guarantor), (x) if such entity has both a long-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating or counterparty rating from Moody's and a short-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating from Moody's, a long-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating or counterparty rating from Moody's of at least "A2" and a short-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating from Moody's of at least "Prime-1", or (y) if such entity has only a long-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating or counterparty rating from Moody's, a long-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating or counterparty rating from Moody's of at least "A1."

"Moody's Asset Correlation Test" or "MAC Test": As described under "Security for the Notes—Criteria for Purchase and Substitution of Collateral—Moody's Asset Correlation Test and Weighted Average Rating Test."

"Moody's Rating": The rating determined in accordance with the methodology described in the Indenture.

"Moody's Required Ratings Threshold": With respect to an entity (or its guarantor), (x) if such entity has both a long-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating or counterparty rating from Moody's and a short-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating from Moody's, a long-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating or counterparty rating from Moody's of at least "A3" or a short-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating from Moody's of at least "Prime-2", or (y) if such entity has only a long-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating or counterparty rating from Moody's, a long-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating or counterparty rating from Moody's of at least "A3".

"Moody's Second Level Downgrade": Occurs when no Relevant Entity satisfies the Moody's Required Rating Threshold.



"Non-Call Period": The period beginning on the Closing Date and ending on August 1, 2010.

"Non-Consenting Holder": With respect to any supplemental indenture proposed pursuant to the Indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of the Notes or the Preferred Shares, any such Holder, or, in the case of Notes or Preferred Shares in global form, any beneficial owner, that either (i) has declared in writing that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) has not consented to such supplemental indenture within 15 Business Days from the date on which the Trustee provided notice of such proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture to such Holder or beneficial owner; *provided*, that in the case of the Non-Call Period, "Non-Consenting Holder" shall exclude any Holder of Class A-1LA Notes (unless such Holder has consented in writing to be designated as a Non-Consenting Holder) and the Amendment Buy-Out Option shall not be applicable to such Class A-1LA Notes.

"Non-U.S. Obligor": An issuer of or obligor on an item of Portfolio Collateral that is located outside the United States and is not a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor.

"Note Component": The Component of a Combination Note representing an interest in the Class B-1L Notes with an aggregate initial principal amount of U.S.\$6,750,000.

"Note Valuation Report": With respect to each Payment Date, the report prepared by or on behalf of the Issuer in accordance with the Indenture reflecting, among other things, the Collections made during the applicable Due Period and the distributions to be made on such Payment Date.

"Notes": The Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes and the Class B-2L Notes.

"Notional Amount": When used with respect to the Preferred Shares as of any date of determination, \$1.00 per Preferred Share.

"O/C Redemption": The redemption of a Class or Classes of the Notes (including, with respect to the Class B-1L Notes and the Class B-2L Notes, the applicable Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount, as described herein) to the extent necessary such that both the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test are satisfied.

"Offer": With respect to any security, (a) any offer by the issuer of such security or by any other Person made to all of the holders of such class of security to purchase or otherwise acquire all such securities (other than pursuant to any redemption in accordance with the terms of the related Underlying Instruments) or to exchange such securities for any other security or other property or (b) any solicitation by the issuer of such security or any other Person to amend, modify or waive any provision of such security or any related Underlying Instrument.

"Optional Redemption": The redemption of the Notes pursuant to an Optional Redemption by Liquidation or an Optional Redemption by Refinancing, as applicable.

"Optional Redemption by Liquidation": The redemption of the Notes, in whole or in part, at the direction of a specified amount of Preferred Shares, on any Optional Redemption Date and in accordance with the terms specified herein.

"Optional Redemption by Refinancing": The redemption of the Notes, in whole but not in part, at the direction of a specified amount of Preferred Shares, on any Optional Redemption Date from Refinancing Proceeds.

"Optional Redemption Price": With respect to each Class of Notes, an amount equal to the aggregate of (i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of such Class of Notes as of the Optional Redemption Date, (ii) the applicable Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Optional Redemption Date, (iii) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payments in respect of such Notes and (iv) the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount (only in connection with a redemption including the Class A-1LA Notes).

"Original HFP Share Amount": The amount of HFP Shares acquired by the Servicer Entities on the Closing Date.

"Original Portfolio Collateral": The Portfolio Collateral, including the Initial Portfolio Collateral, purchased by the Issuer with the Deposit on or before the Effective Date and, in the case of Portfolio Loans, which will be identified by the Issuer and for which commitments will be entered into on or prior to the Effective Date for purchase on or as soon as practicable thereafter (but not scheduled to exceed sixty (60) days thereafter).

"Outstanding": With respect to the Notes, as of the date of determination, "Outstanding" refers to all Notes theretofore authenticated and delivered under the Indenture except:

- (i) Notes theretofore canceled by the Registrar or delivered (or to be delivered pursuant to the Indenture) to the Registrar for cancellation;
- (ii) Notes or portions thereof for whose payment or redemption money in the necessary amount has been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for the Holders of such Notes; *provided* that, if such Notes or portions thereof are to be redeemed, notice of such redemption has been duly given pursuant to the Indenture or provision therefor satisfactory to the Trustee has been made;
- (iii) Notes in exchange for or in lieu of which other Notes have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to the Indenture, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Notes are held by a protected purchaser; and
- (iv) Notes alleged to have been mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen for which replacement Notes have been issued as provided in the Indenture;

*provided* that, in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Principal Amount have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver under the Indenture, Notes owned by or pledged to the Issuer, the Trustee or any other obligor upon the Notes or any Affiliate of the Issuer, the Trustee or of such other obligor, and solely for purposes of termination of the Servicer, the Servicer and any Affiliate thereof, shall be disregarded and deemed not to be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying upon any such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver, only Notes that a responsible officer of the Trustee has actual knowledge to be so owned or pledged shall be so disregarded.

With respect to the Preferred Shares, as of the date of determination, "Outstanding" refers to the total aggregate amount of all Class I Preferred Shares and Class II Preferred Shares issued and outstanding as indicated in the share register of the Issuer.

"Overcollateralization Haircut Amount": With respect to any date of determination, an amount equal to the sum of:

- (A) the greatest of the following:
  - (a) the product of (i) the applicable Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage *multiplied* by (ii) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all CLO Securities (other than Deferred Interest PIK Bonds and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) on such date of determination that have an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating within the CCC Rating Category;
  - (b) the product of (i) the applicable Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage *multiplied* by (ii) the excess, if any, of (x) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all CLO Securities included in the pledged Portfolio Collateral (other than Deferred Interest PIK Bonds and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) on such date of determination that have an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating within the B Rating Category or an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating within the CCC Category over (y) 5.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount as of the date of determination; *provided* that at no time during the period commencing on the Closing Date through the Final Maturity Date, shall the Aggregate Principal Amount of all CLO Securities exempt from haircut based on subclause (y) above exceed in the aggregate 5.0% of the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount; and

(c) the product of (i) the applicable Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage *multiplied* by (ii) the excess, if any, of (x) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all CLO Securities included in the pledged Portfolio Collateral (other than Deferred Interest PIK Bonds and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) on such date of determination that have an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating within the BB Rating Category, the B Rating Category or the CCC Rating Category over (y) 15.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount as of the date of determination;

*provided* that for the avoidance of doubt, for purposes of clauses (a), (b) and (c) above, the applicable Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage shall always be applied first to the lowest rated Portfolio Collateral that falls within such clause, then to the next lowest rated Portfolio Collateral, etc., so that the maximum applicable haircut shall be applied to the Portfolio Collateral;

*plus*

(B) the product of (i) the applicable Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage *multiplied* by (ii) the excess, if any, of (x) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Portfolio Loans included in the pledged Portfolio Collateral (other than Deferred Interest PIK Bonds and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) on such date of determination that have an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating within the CCC Rating Category over (y) 6.25% of the Aggregate Par Amount as of the date of determination.

"Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage": (i) With respect to CLO Securities with an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating falling within the BB Rating Category, 10%, (ii) with respect to CLO Securities with an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating falling within the B Rating Category, 20%, (iii) with respect to Portfolio Loans with an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating falling within the CCC Rating Category, the greater of (x) 30% and (y) one *minus* the weighted average Market Value of all Portfolio Loans with an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating falling within the CCC Rating Category and (iv) with respect to CLO Securities with an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating falling within the CCC Rating Category, 50%.

"Overcollateralization Ratio": The Class A Overcollateralization Ratio, the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio or the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Ratio, as the context may require.

"Overcollateralization Ratio Adjustment": As described under "Description of the Notes—Overcollateralization Tests."

"Overcollateralization Tests": With respect to any date of determination, tests met when the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class A Overcollateralization Percentage, the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Percentage and the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Percentage, each relating to such date of determination.

"Partial Deferred Interest Bonds": Any debt obligation, with respect to which a portion of the interest thereon can be partially deferred without causing a payment default of such debt obligation under its underlying documents. For purposes of calculating the Weighted Average Coupon, the portion of interest that is deferrable with respect to any Partial Deferred Interest Bond will be assumed to be zero.

"Participation": With respect to a Portfolio Loan, a participation interest in a commercial loan purchased from a Selling Institution which does not entitle the holder thereof to direct rights against the obligor.

"PAUG Synthetic Security": As defined under "Special Considerations—Nature of Collateral Pledged to Secure the Notes; Ability to Obtain Additional Portfolio Collateral; Availability of Funds for Subordinate Payments."

"Paying Agent": The Trustee, the Irish Paying Agent or any other depository institution or trust company authorized by the Co-Issuers pursuant to the Indenture to pay principal of or any interest that may become payable on any Class of Notes on behalf of the Co-Issuers.

"Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement": The Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement dated as of May 9, 2007, relating to the Preferred Shares.

"Paying and Transfer Agent": Investors Bank & Trust Company.

"Payment Date": February, May, August and November of each year, commencing November 1, 2007 (or if any such date is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day).

"Payment Date Equity Securities": With respect to any Payment Date, Distributable Equity Securities that the Issuer, in its sole discretion but on the advice of the Servicer, elects to distribute in lieu of cash on such Payment Date to the Holders of Preferred Shares in accordance with the terms hereof.

"Periodic Interest": With respect to each Class of Notes, interest on such Class payable on each Payment Date and accruing during each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the Applicable Periodic Rate.

"Periodic Interest Accrual Period": With respect to any Payment Date, the period commencing on the prior Payment Date (or the Closing Date in the case of the first Payment Date) and ending on the day preceding such Payment Date.

"Periodic Interest Amount": With respect to the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class A-1LB Notes and any Payment Date, the aggregate amount of interest accrued at the Applicable Periodic Rate during the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period on (i) with respect to the first Payment Date, the daily average Aggregate Principal Amount of such Class of Notes during such Periodic Interest Accrual Period, and (ii) thereafter, the Aggregate Principal Amount of such Class of Notes on the first day of such Periodic Interest Accrual Period (after giving effect to any payment of principal of such Class of Notes on such day). With respect to each other Class of Notes and any Payment Date, the aggregate amount of interest accrued at the Applicable Periodic Rate during the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period on the Aggregate Principal Amount of such Class on the first day of such Periodic Interest Accrual Period (after giving effect to any payment of principal of such Class of Notes on such date, including in connection with a redemption of a Class of Notes on any date during the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period).

"Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount": With respect to each Class of Notes and any Payment Date, any shortfall or shortfalls in the payment of the Periodic Interest Amount on such Class of Notes with respect to any preceding Payment Date or Payment Dates together with interest accrued thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate (net of all Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts, if any, paid with respect to such Class of Notes prior to such Payment Date).

"Periodic Reserve Amount": As of any date of determination, an amount equal to (a) the sum of (i) the Trustee Administrative Expenses and Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses payable on the next succeeding Payment Date; (ii) without duplication of amounts payable pursuant to clause (i) hereof, the Issuer Base Administrative Expenses payable on the next succeeding Payment Date; (iii) the Base Fee Amount payable on the next succeeding Payment Date and (iv) the Cumulative Interest Amount for the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes and the Class A-3L Notes and the Periodic Interest Amount for the Class B-1L Notes and the Class B-2L Notes due on the next succeeding Payment Date, *minus* (b) amounts due from any Hedge Counterparty on the next succeeding Payment Date.

"Permanent Regulation S Global Note": With respect to any Class, the permanent global note issued to non-U.S. Persons in exchange for the Temporary Regulation S Global Note of such Class after the Distribution Compliance Period.

"Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor": An issuer of or obligor on an item of Portfolio Collateral that is located in (a) a Group A Country or (b)(i) a Group B Country, (ii) any tax advantaged jurisdiction (including the Cayman Islands, Netherlands Antilles, Bermuda, Ireland, Luxembourg and the Channel Islands) or (iii) any tax advantaged jurisdiction or any tax neutral or other jurisdiction subject to Moody's and S&P confirming to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer that an immediate withdrawal, reduction or other adverse action with respect to any then current rating (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes will not occur as a result of such obligor being a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor, so long as the U.S. Dollar denominated sovereign debt obligations of such jurisdiction are rated at least "Aa2" by Moody's (unless (x) an obligor of such item of Portfolio Collateral is a corporation for which a major source of revenue is from a jurisdiction rated at least "Aa2" by Moody's or (y) such item of the Portfolio Collateral is a CLO Security); *provided that*, with respect to the obligors of an item of Portfolio Collateral qualifying as Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor under this clause (b)(iii), at least 80% of such obligor's underlying assets must be domiciled in the United States or another Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor jurisdiction to so

qualify as a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor. For purposes of this definition, the Servicer may specify the location of a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor to be the country in which at least 80% of such obligor's underlying assets are domiciled, if such assets are domiciled in the United States or another Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor jurisdiction; *provided* that the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral as to which the Servicer so specifies the location of a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor may not exceed 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount. If the location of a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor is specified by the Servicer to be in a country other than where it is domiciled in accordance with the foregoing sentence, for purposes of the concentration limitations and collateral quality tests described herein, such item of Portfolio Collateral will be considered to be domiciled in the country so specified.

"Permitted Transfer": A transfer by novation by the Hedge Counterparty to an entity (the "Transferee") of all, but not less than all, of the Hedge Counterparty's rights, liabilities, duties and obligations under the Hedge Agreement with respect to which transfer each of the following conditions is satisfied: (a) the Transferee is an Eligible Replacement that is a recognized dealer in interest rate derivatives or cashflow derivatives, as the case may be, (b) an Event of Default or Termination Event under the Hedge Agreement would not occur as a result of such transfer, (c) pursuant to a written instrument (the "Transfer Agreement"), the Transferee acquires and assumes all rights and obligations of the Hedge Counterparty under the Hedge Agreement and the related Transaction (as defined in the Hedge Agreement), (d) the Hedge Counterparty will be responsible for any costs or expenses incurred in connection with such transfer (including any replacement cost of entering into a replacement transaction); (e) either (A) Moody's has been given prior written notice of such transfer and the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to S&P or (B) each Rating Agency has been given prior written notice of such transfer and such transfer is in connection with the assignment and assumption of the Indenture without modification of its terms, other than party names, dates relevant to the effective date of such transfer, tax representations and any other representations regarding the status of the substitute counterparty, notice information and account details and other similar provisions; and (f) such transfer otherwise complies with the terms of the Indenture.

"Person": Any individual, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust (including any beneficiary thereof), unincorporated organization or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

"PIK Bond": Any item of Portfolio Collateral that, pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments, permits the payment of interest thereon to be deferred and capitalized or otherwise provides that interest will accrue on such deferred interest or that issues identical securities in place of payments of interest in cash.

"Pledged Securities": On any date of determination, the Portfolio Collateral and the Eligible Investments in the Trust Estate.

"Portfolio Collateral": As described under "Security for the Notes—Portfolio Collateral—General."

"Portfolio Improvement Exchange": The disposition, during the Revolving Period, of an item of Portfolio Collateral and corresponding acquisition of one or more items of Substitute Portfolio Collateral which in the aggregate will result in (i) the collateral quality tests, the Interest Coverage Test, the Overcollateralization Tests and the other collateral criteria herein being satisfied (or bring the total Portfolio Collateral closer to compliance with any such test or limitation) or if one or more of such collateral quality tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Tests or collateral criteria is not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith would be improved and (ii) improving, on a net basis, the quality of the Portfolio Collateral as measured by such collateral quality tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Tests and collateral criteria, and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii) not causing any other collateral quality tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Tests or collateral criteria, to be violated or significantly increase the likelihood of such violation in the future.

"Portfolio Loan": Interests in commercial loans included in the Portfolio Collateral.

"Preferred Share Component": The component of the Combination Notes representing Class I Preferred Shares.

"Preferred Shares": The 42,200,000 Class I Preferred Shares of the Issuer, par value U.S.\$0.001 per share, and the 44,000,000 Class II Preferred Shares of the Issuer, par value U.S.\$0.001 per share, that will be issued on the Closing Date pursuant to the Issuer's Memorandum of Association and Articles of Association and any other Preferred Shares issued from time to time by the Issuer.

"Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses": With respect to any Payment Date (including without limitation the Final Maturity Date), the Paying and Transfer Agent's administrative fees and expenses (including any indemnities) for the Due Period relating to such Payment Date.

"Premium": With respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral sold pursuant to the terms of the Indenture or called pursuant to the terms thereof, the excess of (a) the sale or call price of such item of Portfolio Collateral *less* any accrued interest with respect to such item of Portfolio Collateral over (b) the Aggregate Principal Amount of such item of Portfolio Collateral.

"Principal Balance": With respect to any Pledged Security, as of any date of determination, the outstanding principal amount of such Pledged Security, *provided* that (i) unless otherwise stated herein or in the Indenture, the "Principal Balance" of any Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan shall refer to the sum of the outstanding aggregate principal amount of such Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan *plus* the amount of the unfunded portion of the Issuer's commitment to make or otherwise fund advances related thereto (to the extent, and without duplication, of amounts on deposit in the Loan Funding Account available to fund such advances), (ii) the "Principal Balance" of any Synthetic Security shall be equal to (a) in the case of any Synthetic Security other than a Default Swap, the outstanding principal amount of the Reference Obligation or the notional amount of the Synthetic Security related thereto and (b) in the case of any Default Swap, the cash and the principal amount of the securities in the related Default Swap Collateral Account reduced by the amount of any payments due and payable to the Default Swap Counterparty by reason of the occurrence of one or more "credit events" or other similar circumstances to the extent such payments have not yet been made; and (iii) with respect to any item of Equity Portfolio Collateral, the "Principal Balance" shall equal zero.

"Priority of Payments": The priority of payments described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions" in this Confidential Offering Circular.

"Proposed Portfolio": As described under "Security for the Notes—S&P CDO Monitor Test."

"Purchase Agreement": The Purchase Agreement, dated the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the purchaser of the Notes identified therein.

"Purchased Accrued Interest": Interest accrued on or purchased with respect to an item of Portfolio Collateral as part of the price paid by the Issuer to acquire such item of Portfolio Collateral *less* any amount of Collateral Interest Collections applied by the Issuer to acquire such accrued interest at the time of purchase; *provided* that for the purchase of certain CLO Securities as of the Closing Date, such accrued interest purchased in connection therewith will not be considered Purchased Accrued Interest as set forth in the Indenture.

"Qualified Institutional Buyer": A "qualified institutional buyer" as defined in Rule 144A(a)(1) promulgated under the Securities Act.

"Qualified Purchaser": A "qualified purchaser" as defined in Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act.

"Quarterly Collateral Amount": Shall mean, with respect to any Due Period, the average of (i) the Aggregate Par Amount of Portfolio Collateral and Eligible Investments on the first day of such Due Period and (ii) the Aggregate Par Amount of Portfolio Collateral and Eligible Investments on the last day of such Due Period. For purposes of such amounts, Equity Portfolio Collateral and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral shall be excluded in calculating the Aggregate Par Amount of the Portfolio Collateral.

"Rating Agencies": S&P and Moody's, collectively.

"Rating Condition": With respect to any Rating Agency and any action proposed to be taken under the Indenture, a condition that is satisfied when such Rating Agency has confirmed in writing to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer that no withdrawal, reduction or suspension (and not restored) with respect to any then current rating, if any, by such Rating Agency (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes will occur as a result of such proposed action.

"Rating Confirmation": Written confirmation from each of the Rating Agencies that it has not reduced or withdrawn (and not restored) the rating assigned by it on the Closing Date to any Class of Notes.

"Rating Confirmation Failure": A failure to obtain Rating Confirmation by the 35th day after the Effective Date (or if such day is not a Business Day, the succeeding Business Day).

"Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption": The redemption of a Class or Classes of Notes, as a result of a Rating Confirmation Failure.

"Record Date": With respect to any Payment Date, the Business Day immediately preceding such Payment Date; *provided however*, that if any Definitive Notes are issued, the Record Date for such Definitive Notes shall be fifteen calendar days preceding such Payment Date.

"Reference Banks": Four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer).

"Reference Obligation": A security or other debt obligation that satisfies the definition of Portfolio Collateral other than as to payment terms; *provided that* notwithstanding the definition thereof, a Reference Obligation may be a loan (but not a participation interest in a loan, except as permitted in the Indenture).

"Reference Obligor": The obligor under a Reference Obligation.

"Refinancing Proceeds": As described under "Description of the Notes—Optional Redemptions—Optional Redemption by Refinancing."

"Registrar": The Trustee.

"Regulation S Global Notes": Temporary Regulation S Global Notes, together with the Permanent Regulation S Global Notes.

"Relevant Date": As used in the Indenture, when referring to Initial Portfolio Collateral pledged to the Trustee on the Closing Date, the Closing Date and when referring to Portfolio Collateral pledged after the Closing Date, the date of such pledge.

"Relevant Entity": The Hedge Counterparty and any Eligible Guarantor under an Eligible Guarantee.

"Required Portfolio Collateral Amount": U.S.\$1,000,000,000.

"Requisite Noteholders": The Holders of at least 60% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Outstanding Notes (voting as a single class and including the Combination Notes to the extent of the Note Component); *provided that* following the occurrence of a Default or an Event of Default under the Indenture, "Requisite Noteholders" shall mean the Holders of at least 60% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Controlling Class, voting together as a single class. If the Person that is acting as Trustee under the Indenture is a Holder of any Note for its own account, such Person shall be excluded as a Holder for purposes of this definition in connection with the consent or approval by Noteholders of any supplemental indenture affecting the provisions thereof relating to the Trustee.

"Reserve Account": An account maintained by the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders and the other secured parties under the Indenture, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal at the direction of the Servicer.

"Reserve Amount": A portion of the proceeds from the sale of the Notes in an amount equal to US\$1,500,000 to fund a portion of the payments to be made on the first Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments, and, any remaining funds, to fund any payments of interest or principal on the Notes or any distributions on the Preferred Shares as described under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions" in this Confidential Offering Circular.

"Reset Debt Security": An item of Portfolio Collateral bearing a rate of interest that varies periodically (including, without limitation, daily) which at the time of its inclusion in the Trust Estate has a minimum rate of interest of at least 5.0% *per annum* with respect to Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral or Collateral LIBOR with respect to Floating Rate Collateral, and which minimum interest rate is not subject to adjustment on or after its inclusion in the Trust Estate, pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instrument, to a rate of interest which is lower than the rate of interest borne by such item of Portfolio Collateral on the date that such item of Portfolio Collateral was included in the Trust Estate.

"Retained Accrued Interest": Any accrued and unpaid interest with respect to any Portfolio Collateral which was not included in the purchase price for such collateral at the time of purchase.

"Revolving Loan": A Portfolio Loan that, pursuant to the Underlying Instrument or Underlying Loan and Security Agreement that governs the rights and obligations of the parties thereto, would obligate the Issuer, if the Issuer were to purchase such Portfolio Loan for inclusion in the Trust Estate, to make or otherwise fund one or more future advances to the related borrower and meets the criteria described under "Security for the Notes—Criteria for Purchase and Substitution of Collateral."

"Revolving Period": The period beginning on the Closing Date and ending on the earliest of (i) August 1, 2014 for Portfolio Loans or August 1, 2012 for CLO Securities or, in the case of an Extension, the Extended Revolving Period End Date; *provided* that Portfolio Loans and CLO Securities may be purchased for the period of any such Extension, and (ii) the occurrence and continuance of an Event of Default; *provided* that in no event shall date of termination of the Revolving Period be determined on the basis of the Market Value of the Portfolio Collateral.

"Rule 144A Global Note": With respect to any Class, the permanent global note issued to U.S. Persons.

"Rule 3a-7": Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act.

"S&P": Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw Hill Companies, Inc. or any successor thereto.

"S&P Approved Ratings Threshold": In connection with the Cap Agreement, with respect to an entity (or its guarantor), a short-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating from S&P of at least "A-1", or, if such entity does not have a short-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating from S&P, a long-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating from S&P of at least "A+".

"S&P Break-Even Default Rate": As described under "Security for the Notes—S&P CDO Monitor Test."

"S&P CDO Monitor": As described under "Security for the Notes—S&P CDO Monitor Test."

"S&P CDO Monitor Test": As described under "Security for the Notes—S&P CDO Monitor Test."

"S&P First Level Downgrade": Occurs when no Relevant Entity satisfies the S&P Approved Rating Threshold.

"S&P Loss Differential": As described under "Security for the Notes—S&P CDO Monitor Test."

"S&P Rating": The rating determined in accordance with the methodology described in the Indenture.



"S&P Required Ratings Threshold": With respect to an entity (or its guarantor), a long-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating from S&P of at least "BBB-" or a short-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating from S&P of at least "A3".

"S&P Scenario Default Rate": As described under "Security for the Notes—S&P CDO Monitor Test."

"S&P Second Level Downgrade": Occurs when no Relevant Entity satisfies the S&P Required Rating Thresholds.

"Sale Restriction Condition": As defined under "Security for the Notes—Changes in Composition of Portfolio Collateral."

"Scheduled Distribution": With respect to any Pledged Security, for each Due Date after the date of determination, the scheduled payment of principal and/or interest due on such Due Date with respect to such Pledged Security, determined in accordance with the assumptions set forth in the Indenture.

"Securities": The Notes and the Preferred Shares, collectively.

"Securities Act": The United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

"Securities Lending Account": As described under "Security for the Notes—Accounts."

"Securities Lending Agreements": As described under "Security for the Notes—Securities Lending Agreements."

"Securities Lending Counterparty": As described under "Security for the Notes—Securities Lending Agreements."

"Selling Institution": The seller of a Participation or, if applicable, its guarantor, which has a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A2" by Moody's and at least "A" by S&P at the time such Participation is committed to be acquired by the Issuer.

"Senior Class A Notes": The Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB and the Class A-2L Notes.

"Senior Class A Overcollateralization Ratio": With respect to a determination made as of any date of calculation, the ratio (expressed as a percentage) obtained by *dividing* (a) the sum of (1) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate (other than items of Equity Portfolio Collateral, which shall not be included as Portfolio Collateral) as of such date, *plus* (2) the sum of the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Collection Account representing Collateral Principal Collections *plus* the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Initial Deposit Account *plus* unpaid Purchased Accrued Interest, each as of such date by (b) the sum of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Senior Class A-1L Notes (including for this purpose any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts with respect to such Class of Notes not paid when due, until such amounts, if any, are paid in full) as of such date.

"Senior Secured Loan": A loan that (i) is not (and by its terms is not permitted to become) subordinate in right of payment to any other debt for borrowed money incurred by the obligor under such loan and (ii) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under such Senior Secured Loan, which security interest or lien is not subordinate to the security interest or lien securing any other debt for borrowed money.

"Servicer": Highland Capital Management, L.P., unless and until a successor Person becomes the servicer pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement, and thereafter "Servicer" shall mean such successor Person.

"Servicer Entities": Collectively, the Servicer, entities affiliated with the Servicer or clients of the Servicer.

"Servicing Agreement": The Servicing Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Servicer, and if amended as permitted therein and in the Indenture, as so amended.

"Servicing Fee Portion": 100% *minus* (a) for any Payment Date prior to February 3, 2008, the Class II Preferred Share Percentage for such Payment Date and (b) for any other Payment Date, a percentage selected by the Servicer in its sole discretion.

"Special Redemption": As described under "Description of the Notes—Special Redemption."

"Substitute Portfolio Collateral": An item of Portfolio Collateral that is purchased by the Trustee as security for the Notes as described herein with the proceeds of the sale of other Portfolio Collateral.

"Supplemental Fee Amount": As described under "The Servicing Agreement—Compensation."

"Supplemental Servicing Fee": For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Supplemental Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (b) the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date.

"Suspension Trigger Event": As of any date of determination, (I) the ratio (expressed as a percentage) obtained by dividing (a) the sum of (1) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate as of such date, calculated in accordance with the Overcollateralization Ratio Adjustment less the Overcollateralization Haircut Amount, if any, *plus* (2) the sum of the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Collection Account, representing Collateral Principal Collections *plus* the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Initial Deposit Account *plus* unpaid Purchased Accrued Interest, each as of such date by (b) the sum of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes (including for this purpose any unpaid Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts with respect to such Classes of Notes not paid when due, until such amounts, if any, are paid in full) as of such date, is less than (II) 110%.

"Synthetic Security": Any (I) U.S. dollar denominated swap transaction, security issued by a trust or similar vehicle or other asset purchased from or entered into by the Issuer with a Synthetic Security Counterparty the returns on which (as determined by the Servicer) are linked to the credit performance of a Reference Obligation, but which may provide for a different maturity, payment dates, interest rate, interest rate basis or other non-credit related terms than such Reference Obligation; *provided* that, (A) (i) such Synthetic Security will not require the Issuer to make any payment to the Synthetic Security Counterparty after the initial purchase of or entry into such Synthetic Security by the Issuer (other than payments to the Synthetic Security Counterparty from the Default Swap Collateral Account), (ii) the ownership of such Synthetic Security, based on the Servicer's determination (which may include consultation with counsel to the Issuer), is not expected to subject the Issuer to withholding tax unless the Synthetic Securities Counterparty is required to make "gross-up" payments sufficient to cause the net amount to be received by the Issuer in respect of such Synthetic Security to equal the amount that would have been paid had no such withholding tax applied, (iii) such Synthetic Security terminates on or prior to the redemption or repayment in full of the Reference Obligation, (iv) such Synthetic Security will not constitute a commodity option, leverage transaction or futures contract that is subject to the jurisdiction of the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission, (v) the acquisition of such Synthetic Security would not cause the Issuer to be "engaged in a U.S. trade or business" for federal income tax purposes or otherwise to become subject to U.S. corporate net income tax, (vi) the Underlying Instrument with respect to such Synthetic Security is governed by the laws of the State of New York, contains a non-petition clause and a limited recourse clause, each as against the Issuer, and is documented with a standard ISDA form master agreement, as modified by appropriate schedules and confirmations and from time to time as determined by the Servicer based on industry practice, and (B) either (i) such Synthetic Security is a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or (ii) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the purchase of such Synthetic Security; *provided further*, that any Synthetic Security shall be positively indexed to the related Reference Obligation on no more than a one-to-one basis and (II) any Default Swap; *provided, however*, that, with respect to a Synthetic Security other than a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, a Majority of the Controlling Class shall have approved such Synthetic Security; *provided, further* that with respect to a Form-Approved Synthetic Security for which consent by the Rating Agencies to use the form in this transaction has been sought after the Closing Date, a Majority of the Controlling Class shall have consented to the use of such form.

"Synthetic Security Counterparty": An entity which is required to make payments to the Issuer on a Synthetic Security to the extent that the issuer of the related Reference Obligation makes payments thereon pursuant to the terms of such Synthetic Security and any Default Swap Counterparty.

"Tax Event Redemption": As defined under "Description of the Notes—Tax Event Redemption."

"Tax Event Redemption Price": With respect to each Class of Notes an amount equal to the aggregate of (i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Notes as of the Tax Event Redemption Date and (ii) the applicable Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to each Class of Notes as of the Tax Event Redemption Date.

"Temporary Regulation S Global Note": With respect to any Class, the temporary global note issued to non-U.S. Persons in Offshore Transactions (as defined in Regulation S) in reliance on Regulation S.

"Trust Estate": All money, instruments and other property and rights subject or intended to be subject to the lien of the Indenture including all proceeds thereof, including the Portfolio Collateral and the Accounts (subject to the prior lien of the related Default Swap Counterparty to each Default Swap Collateral Account and subject to the rights of the Default Swap Counterparty in the Default Swap Issuer Account).

"Trustee": Investors Bank & Trust Company, as trustee under the Indenture.

"Trustee Administrative Expenses": With respect to any Payment Date (including without limitation the Final Maturity Date), fees, expenses and other amounts (including indemnities) due or accrued and payable to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture, including fees and expenses pursuant to duties performed as Collateral Administrator and Paying and Transfer Agent, *provided* such payment shall not exceed on such Payment Date one-quarter of 0.0275% of the Aggregate Par Amount as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date (such amount subject to a minimum of \$74,000 *per annum*), *plus* \$7,500 *per annum* for payments of expenses and certain other amounts specified in the Indenture.

"Underlying Instrument": With respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral, any loan participation agreement, loan assignment agreement, indenture, pooling and servicing agreement, trust agreement, instrument, or other agreement pursuant to which such item of Portfolio Collateral has been created or issued or of which the holders of such item of Portfolio Collateral are the beneficiaries, and any instrument evidencing or constituting such item of Portfolio Collateral (in the case of Portfolio Collateral evidenced by or in the form of instruments).

"Underlying Loan and Security Agreement": Any agreement (other than an Underlying Instrument) which governs the terms of or guarantees or secures the obligations represented by any Portfolio Collateral or of which the holders of such Portfolio Collateral are the beneficiaries (which in the case of a Portfolio Loan which is a Participation shall include the loan and security documentation with respect to the underlying loan).

"Unit": An item of Portfolio Collateral with a warrant, profit participation or other equity-based feature (including but not limited to convertible bonds) included as a component thereof which otherwise meets the requirements for Portfolio Collateral; *provided* that (i) the value of such warrant, profit participation or other equity-based feature at the time of purchase, as determined by the Servicer in good faith, is less than 2% of the purchase price of such item of Portfolio Collateral and (ii) such warrant, profit participation or other equity-like feature at the time of purchase shall not, relate to or be exchangeable for, margin stock.

"USA PATRIOT Act": The Uniting and Strengthening America By Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001.

"Waived Additional Servicing Fees": As defined under "The Servicing Agreement—Compensation."

"Waived Supplemental Servicing Fees": As defined under "The Servicing Agreement—Compensation."

"Waived Servicing Fees": As defined under "The Servicing Agreement—Compensation."

"Weighted Average Coupon": As described under "Security for the Notes—Weighted Average Coupon Test."

"Weighted Average Coupon Test": As described under "Security for the Notes—Weighted Average Coupon Test."

"Weighted Average Life": As described under "Security for the Notes—Weighted Average Life Requirement."

"Weighted Average Life Requirement": As described under "Security for the Notes—Weighted Average Life Requirement."

"Weighted Average Margin": As described under "Security for the Notes—Weighted Average Margin Test."

"Weighted Average Margin Test": As described under "Security for the Notes—Weighted Average Margin Test."

"Weighted Average Rating Test": As described under "Security for the Notes—Collateral Quality Matrix Tests."

## ANNEX B

**THE CAP PAYMENTS**

<u>Payment Date</u>	<u>Notional Amount</u>	<u>Cap Strike Rate</u>
February 1, 2008	\$250,000,000	6.00%
May 1, 2008	\$250,000,000	6.00%
August 1, 2008	\$250,000,000	6.00%
November 1, 2008	\$250,000,000	6.00%
February 1, 2009	\$250,000,000	6.00%
May 1, 2009	\$250,000,000	6.00%
August 1, 2009	\$250,000,000	6.00%

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No securities dealer, salesperson or other person has been authorized to give any information or to make any representation not contained in this Confidential Offering Circular and, if given or made, such information or representation must not be relied upon as having been authorized by the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchasers. This Confidential Offering Circular does not constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy any of the securities offered hereby in any jurisdiction to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer in such jurisdiction. Neither the delivery of this Confidential Offering Circular nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that the information herein is correct as of any time subsequent to the date hereof or that there has been no change in the affairs of the Co-Issuers or the Portfolio Collateral.

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## ROCKWALL CDO II LTD.

### ROCKWALL CDO II (DELAWARE) CORP.

U.S.\$635,000,000 Class A-1LA Floating  
Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2024

U.S.\$115,000,000 Class A-1LB Floating  
Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2024

U.S.\$76,000,000 Class A-2L Floating  
Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2024

U.S.\$48,000,000 Class A-3L Floating  
Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2024

U.S.\$36,000,000 Class B-1L Floating  
Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2024

U.S.\$26,000,000 Class B-2L Floating  
Rate Extendable Notes Due August 2024

## CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR

Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc.

Cantor Fitzgerald & Co.

May 8, 2007

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## **EXHIBIT BBB**

**CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR**

**ROCKWALL CDO II LTD.**

**42,200,000 CLASS I PREFERRED SHARES, PAR VALUE U.S. \$0.001 PER SHARE**

**44,000,000 CLASS II PREFERRED SHARES, PAR VALUE U.S. \$0.001 PER SHARE**

The Class I Preferred Shares (the "**Class I Preferred Shares**") and the Class II Preferred Shares (the "**Class II Preferred Shares**") and, together with the Class I Preferred Shares, the "**Preferred Shares**") will be issued by Rockwall CDO II Ltd. (the "**Issuer**"), an exempted limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands. The Issuer was incorporated on April 12, 2006 and has no significant prior operating history.

INVESTORS INTERESTED IN PURCHASING PREFERRED SHARES SHOULD REVIEW THE CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR RELATING TO THE NOTES ATTACHED HERETO (THE "**NOTE OFFERING CIRCULAR**") IN CONJUNCTION WITH THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR. Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined herein have the respective meanings specified in the Note Offering Circular.

The activities of the Issuer will be limited as described herein. The Issuer will receive all of the net proceeds of the offering of the Notes, the Combination Notes and the Preferred Shares, which will be used by the Issuer to purchase Portfolio Collateral and to pay organizational expenses and the expenses of the issuance of the Notes, the Combination Notes and the Preferred Shares.

As described herein, the use by the Issuer of payments received in respect of the Portfolio Collateral for the payment of dividends on the Preferred Shares or redemption of the Preferred Shares will be subordinated to the use of such payments for the payment of interest on and principal of the Notes and will be payable, with respect to any Payment Date, only after all required payments are made to the holders of the Notes, the Trustee, the Paying and Transfer Agent and the Servicer and, except as described herein, after the payment of all other fees and expenses of the Issuer required to be made on such date. The ability of the holders of the Preferred Shares to vote on matters relating to the Issuer is limited.

No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Recipient: \_\_\_\_\_

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For certain factors to be considered in connection with an investment in the Preferred Shares, see "Special Considerations" and "Notices to Purchasers" herein.

There is currently no secondary market in the Preferred Shares and it is unlikely that one will develop or, if one does develop, that it will continue.

Distributions, including dividends, on the Preferred Shares will be paid solely from and to the extent of the available proceeds from the distributions on the Portfolio Collateral which is the only source of such distributions in respect of the Preferred Shares. To the extent the Portfolio Collateral is insufficient to pay dividends on or to redeem the Preferred Shares, the Issuer will have no obligation to pay any further amounts in respect of the Preferred Shares.

The Preferred Shares are being offered to "qualified institutional buyers," as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "**Securities Act**"), and to certain persons in transactions outside the United States in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act each of whom is also a qualified institutional buyer. Each investor in the Preferred Shares (other than Non-U.S. Persons purchasing Preferred Shares in reliance on Regulation S) is required to be a "qualified purchaser" or "knowledgeable employee" within the meaning of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "**Investment Company Act**"). Settlement for the Preferred Shares will be made in immediately available funds.

The Preferred Shares are offered by the Issuer through Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. ("**Bear Stearns**" or the "**Initial Purchaser**") to prospective purchasers from time to time in individually negotiated transactions at varying prices to be determined in each case at the time of sale. (See "Special Considerations—Potential Conflicts of Interest" in the Note Offering Circular.) The Preferred Shares are offered when, as and if issued by the Issuer, subject to prior sale or withdrawal, cancellation or modification of the offer without notice and subject to approval of certain legal matters by counsel and certain other conditions. See "Plan of Distribution." It is expected that delivery of the Preferred Shares will be made on or about May 9, 2007 (the "**Closing Date**"), against payment in immediately available funds. The Preferred Shares sold to Non-U.S. Persons will be represented by one or more permanent physical share certificates in fully registered definitive form (each a "**Global Preferred Share**"), which will be deposited with a common depository on behalf of Euroclear Bank, S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear System ("**Euroclear**") and Clearstream Banking société anonyme ("**Clearstream**") on the Closing Date. Global Preferred Shares will, for purposes of trading within Euroclear and Clearstream, have a notional issue price equal to U.S. \$1 for each Preferred Share. The Preferred Shares sold to U.S. Persons will be sold and delivered in definitive registered form.

**Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc.**

This Confidential Offering Circular is dated May 8, 2007.



NOTICES TO PURCHASERS

THE PREFERRED SHARES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY OTHER JURISDICTION, NOR HAS THE ISSUER BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE "INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT"). THE PREFERRED SHARES MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF, U.S. PERSONS UNLESS A REGISTRATION STATEMENT WITH RESPECT THERETO IS THEN EFFECTIVE UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OR AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND OTHER APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS IS AVAILABLE. THE ISSUER IS RELYING ON AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT PURSUANT TO THE EXEMPTIONS PROVIDED IN RULE 3a-7 AND/OR SECTION 3(c)(7) UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT, AND NO TRANSFER OF PREFERRED SHARES MAY BE MADE WHICH WOULD CAUSE THE ISSUER TO BECOME SUBJECT TO THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT. THE PREFERRED SHARES ARE ALSO SUBJECT TO CERTAIN OTHER RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFER DESCRIBED HEREIN AND IN THE PAYING AND TRANSFER AGENCY AGREEMENT.

EACH PURCHASER OF PREFERRED SHARES, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE THEREOF, REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER SUCH PREFERRED SHARES EXCEPT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT AND OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS AND EXCEPT (A) IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, WHOM THE SELLER HAS INFORMED, IN EACH CASE, THAT THE RESALE, PLEDGE OR OTHER TRANSFER IS BEING MADE IN RELIANCE ON RULE 144A, PROVIDED THAT SUCH PURCHASER DELIVERS ALL DOCUMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS AS THE ISSUER OR THE PAYING AGENT MAY REASONABLY REQUEST; (B) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 903 OR 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS ALSO A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A PROVIDED THAT SUCH PURCHASER DELIVERS ALL DOCUMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS AS THE ISSUER OR THE PAYING AGENT MAY REQUEST; (C) TO THE ISSUER OR ITS AFFILIATES; OR (D) TO ANY OTHER PERSON OR ENTITY PURSUANT TO A VALID EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT PROVIDED THAT SUCH PURCHASER DELIVERS ALL DOCUMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS AS THE ISSUER OR THE PAYING AGENT MAY REQUEST, IN EACH CASE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANY APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAW OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER JURISDICTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE PAYING AND TRANSFER AGENCY AGREEMENT. IN ADDITION, THE PURCHASER OF A PREFERRED SHARE, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE THEREOF, REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER SUCH PREFERRED SHARE EXCEPT TO A NON-U.S. PERSON THAT IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION PURSUANT TO REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OR TO A "QUALIFIED PURCHASER" OR "KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEE" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER IN A TRANSACTION THAT DOES NOT CAUSE THE ISSUER TO BE REQUIRED TO REGISTER UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT.

THE PREFERRED SHARES MAY NOT BE SOLD OR TRANSFERRED TO ANY PLAN SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF THE UNITED STATES EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA"), OR SECTION 4975 OF THE UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE"), TO ANY PERSON ACTING ON BEHALF OF OR WITH "PLAN ASSETS" OF ANY SUCH PLAN, OR TO ANY OTHER "BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR" (AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(42) OF ERISA) (A "BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR"), INCLUDING AN INSURANCE COMPANY GENERAL ACCOUNT, EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH HEREIN.

ANY SALE OR TRANSFER OF PREFERRED SHARES WHICH WOULD VIOLATE THE FOREGOING WILL BE NULL AND VOID.

THE PREFERRED SHARES ARE PART OF THE SHARE CAPITAL OF THE ISSUER AND, AS SUCH, THEIR ENTITLEMENT IS LIMITED TO THE ASSETS OF THE ISSUER AFTER PAYMENT OF ALL LIABILITIES RANKING AHEAD OF THEM ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION OF THE ISSUER AND AT LAW. ACCORDINGLY, TO THE EXTENT THE PORTFOLIO COLLATERAL IS INSUFFICIENT TO PAY DIVIDENDS ON THE PREFERRED SHARES OR TO REDEEM THE PREFERRED SHARES, THE ISSUER WILL HAVE NO OBLIGATION TO PAY ANY FURTHER AMOUNTS IN RESPECT OF THE PREFERRED SHARES.

AN INVESTMENT IN THE PREFERRED SHARES IS NOT SUITABLE FOR ALL INVESTORS AND IS APPROPRIATE ONLY FOR AN INVESTOR CAPABLE OF ANALYZING AND ASSESSING THE RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH SECURITIES SUCH AS THE PREFERRED SHARES, AND BEARING SUCH RISKS AND THE FINANCIAL CONSEQUENCES THEREOF AS THEY RELATE TO AN INVESTMENT IN THE PREFERRED SHARES.

EACH PURCHASER OF A PREFERRED SHARE BY ITS ACCEPTANCE THEREOF ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT IS USING ITS INDEPENDENT JUDGMENT IN ASSESSING THE OPPORTUNITIES AND RISKS PRESENTED BY THE PREFERRED SHARES FOR ITS INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO AND IN DETERMINING WHETHER THE ACQUISITION IS SUITABLE AND COMPLIES WITH SUCH PURCHASER'S INVESTMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES.

EXCEPT AS SET FORTH IN THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR, NO PERSON IS AUTHORIZED TO GIVE ANY INFORMATION OR TO MAKE ANY REPRESENTATION NOT CONTAINED IN THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR AND, IF GIVEN OR MADE, SUCH INFORMATION OR REPRESENTATION MUST NOT BE RELIED UPON. THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO SELL OR THE SOLICITATION OF AN OFFER TO BUY ANY OF THE PREFERRED SHARES OFFERED HEREBY IN ANY JURISDICTION TO ANY PERSON TO WHICH IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE SUCH OFFER IN SUCH JURISDICTION NOR TO ANY PERSON WHO HAS NOT RECEIVED A COPY OF EACH CURRENT AMENDMENT OR SUPPLEMENT HERETO, IF ANY.

THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR IS FURNISHED ON A CONFIDENTIAL BASIS SOLELY FOR THE PURPOSE OF EVALUATING THE INVESTMENT OFFERED HEREBY. THE INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN MAY NOT BE REPRODUCED OR USED IN WHOLE OR IN PART FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSE. THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR SHOULD BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE NOTE OFFERING CIRCULAR.

THE PREFERRED SHARES ARE BEING OFFERED ONLY TO A LIMITED NUMBER OF INVESTORS THAT ARE WILLING AND ABLE TO CONDUCT AN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION OF THE CHARACTERISTICS OF THE PREFERRED SHARES AND RISKS OF

OWNERSHIP OF THE PREFERRED SHARES. IT IS EXPECTED THAT PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN THIS OFFERING WILL CONDUCT AN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION OF THE RISKS POSED BY AN INVESTMENT IN THE PREFERRED SHARES. REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ISSUER AND THE SERVICER WILL BE AVAILABLE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE ISSUER, THE PREFERRED SHARES AND THE PORTFOLIO COLLATERAL AND WILL, UPON REQUEST, MAKE AVAILABLE SUCH OTHER INFORMATION AS INVESTORS MAY REASONABLY REQUEST. THE NOTE OFFERING CIRCULAR CONTAINS CERTAIN INFORMATION CONCERNING THE NOTES, THE ISSUER AND THE ISSUER'S ASSETS (INCLUDING THE PORTFOLIO COLLATERAL). INVESTORS INTERESTED IN PURCHASING THE PREFERRED SHARES ARE STRONGLY URGED TO REVIEW THE NOTE OFFERING CIRCULAR, WHICH IS ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT A.

THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR IS NOT INTENDED TO FURNISH LEGAL, REGULATORY, TAX, ACCOUNTING, INVESTMENT OR OTHER ADVICE TO ANY PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER OF THE PREFERRED SHARES. THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR (INCLUDING THE NOTE OFFERING CIRCULAR ATTACHED HERETO) SHOULD BE REVIEWED BY EACH PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER AND ITS LEGAL, REGULATORY, TAX, ACCOUNTING, INVESTMENT AND OTHER ADVISORS.

NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED AGREEMENT TO THE CONTRARY, THE ISSUER, THE SERVICER, THE PAYING AND TRANSFER AGENT, THE TRUSTEE, THE CAP PROVIDER AND EACH RECIPIENT HEREOF AGREE THAT EACH OF THEM AND EACH OF THEIR EMPLOYEES, REPRESENTATIVES, AND OTHER AGENTS MAY DISCLOSE, IMMEDIATELY UPON COMMENCEMENT OF DISCUSSIONS, TO ANY AND ALL PERSONS, WITHOUT LIMITATION OF ANY KIND, THE TAX TREATMENT AND TAX STRUCTURE OF THE TRANSACTION AND ALL MATERIALS OF ANY KIND (INCLUDING OPINIONS OR OTHER TAX ANALYSES) THAT ARE PROVIDED TO ANY OF THEM RELATING TO SUCH TAX TREATMENT AND TAX STRUCTURE, EXCEPT WHERE CONFIDENTIALITY IS REASONABLY NECESSARY TO COMPLY WITH U.S. FEDERAL OR STATE SECURITIES LAWS.

INVESTORS WHOSE INVESTMENT AUTHORITY IS SUBJECT TO LEGAL RESTRICTIONS SHOULD CONSULT THEIR OWN LEGAL ADVISORS TO DETERMINE WHETHER AND TO WHAT EXTENT THE PREFERRED SHARES CONSTITUTE LEGAL INVESTMENTS FOR THEM.

THE PREFERRED SHARES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD, AND THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR MAY ONLY BE ISSUED OR PASSED ON TO ANY PERSON IN THE UNITED KINGDOM IF THAT PERSON IS OF A KIND DESCRIBED IN ARTICLE 11(3) OF THE FINANCIAL SERVICES ACT OF 1986 (INVESTMENT ADVERTISEMENTS) (EXEMPTIONS) ORDER 1996 ("FSMA"), AS AMENDED, OR IS A PERSON TO WHOM THE DOCUMENT MAY OTHERWISE LAWFULLY BE ISSUED OR PASSED ON.

NO INVITATION MAY BE MADE TO THE PUBLIC IN THE CAYMAN ISLANDS TO SUBSCRIBE FOR THE PREFERRED SHARES.

NEITHER THE FACT THAT A REGISTRATION STATEMENT OR AN APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE HAS BEEN FILED UNDER CHAPTER 421-B OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE REVISED STATUTES WITH THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE NOR THE FACT THAT A SECURITY IS EFFECTIVELY REGISTERED OR A PERSON IS LICENSED IN THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CONSTITUTES A FINDING BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE THAT ANY

DOCUMENT FILED UNDER RSA 421-B IS TRUE, COMPLETE AND NOT MISLEADING. NEITHER ANY SUCH FACT NOR THE FACT THAT AN EXEMPTION OR EXCEPTION IS AVAILABLE FOR A SECURITY OR A TRANSACTION MEANS THAT THE SECRETARY OF STATE HAS PASSED IN ANY WAY UPON THE MERITS OR QUALIFICATIONS OF OR RECOMMENDED OR GIVEN APPROVAL TO, ANY PERSON, SECURITY OR TRANSACTION. IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE, OR CAUSE TO BE MADE, TO ANY PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER, CUSTOMER, OR CLIENT ANY REPRESENTATION INCONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PARAGRAPH.

THE PAYING AGENT AND ITS AFFILIATES HAVE NOT PARTICIPATED IN THE PREPARATION OF THIS CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR AND DO NOT ASSUME ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR ITS CONTENTS.

AVAILABLE INFORMATION

To permit compliance with Rule 144A under the Securities Act for transfers of the Preferred Shares, the Issuer will make available to investors and prospective investors in the Preferred Shares who request such information, the information required to be delivered under Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act, if at the time of the request the Issuer is not a reporting company under Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "**Exchange Act**"), or is not exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act. The Issuer does not expect to become such a reporting company or to be so exempt from reporting.

### SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

An investment in the Preferred Shares may be affected by the following factors, as well as the factors described under "Special Considerations" in the Note Offering Circular. In order to fully understand the structure and characteristics of the Preferred Shares, and the potential merits and risks of an investment in the Preferred Shares, potential investors must review and be familiar with the Note Offering Circular, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as an integral part hereof, as well as the Indenture to be dated as of the Closing Date between the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and Investors Bank & Trust Company, as trustee (the "**Indenture**"). In particular the Note Offering Circular contains a description of the related Portfolio Collateral, the priority of distributions on the Notes and the Preferred Shares.

1. Limited Cash Flow Available to the Issuer. The Issuer has pledged substantially all of its assets to secure the Notes. Such assets will only be available to the Issuer to make payments on the Preferred Shares as and when released from the lien of the Indenture. Although the scheduled payments of principal and interest on the Portfolio Collateral are expected to exceed the amounts required to pay principal of and interest due on the Notes, failure to satisfy any of the Overcollateralization Tests, the Interest Coverage Test (after the second Payment Date) or the application of the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement (after the second Payment Date) may result in temporary or permanent diversion of all or a portion of the amounts otherwise payable to the Issuer as Excess Cash Flow (as defined under "Description of the Preferred Shares—Distributions" herein). Furthermore, there can be no assurance that payments of principal of and interest on, and other proceeds from, the Portfolio Collateral and the other collateral making up the Trust Estate will continue to exceed required fees and expenses and payments of principal and interest on the Notes and be sufficient to provide Excess Cash Flow. The amount and frequency of distributions of Excess Cash Flow to the Issuer will depend on, among other things: (i) the purchase rate in respect of new Portfolio Collateral, (ii) the level of LIBOR, (iii) returns with respect to Eligible Investments in which funds held in the accounts of the Issuer may be temporarily held, (iv) the extent to which the Portfolio Collateral pledged to secure the Notes becomes Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, is subject to scheduled payments of principal, or is retired prior to the stated maturity of the Notes through mandatory or optional redemption, sale, maturity or other liquidation or disposition and (v) the extent to which Substitute Portfolio Collateral is available for purchase in accordance with the criteria described herein. See "Description of the Notes" in the Note Offering Circular. Such Excess Cash Flow would constitute the only assets available to the Issuer as a source for payment of amounts payable in respect of the Preferred Shares prior to the payment in full of the Notes.

2. Subordination of the Preferred Shares. Distributions on the Preferred Shares (other than the Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend) are fully subordinated to payments on the Notes and to payment of the Trustee Administrative Expenses, Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses, Issuer Base Administrative Expenses, Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses and the amounts owing to the Servicer, each as described more fully herein and in the Note Offering Circular. No distributions of Excess Cash Flow will be made to the Issuer on any Payment Date for distribution to holders of Preferred Shares until all senior obligations due on such date have been paid in full. See "Description of the Notes—Payment on the Notes; Priority of Distributions" in the Note Offering Circular. In addition, in case of an Event of Default under the Indenture, as long as any Notes are outstanding, the holders of such Notes will be entitled to determine the remedies to be exercised under the Indenture. Remedies pursued by the holders of Notes would likely adversely affect the interests of holders of Preferred Shares. On a winding up of the Issuer, holders of the Preferred Shares will rank after all creditors, secured and unsecured, of the Issuer and the holders of ordinary shares. In addition, Class II Preferred Share Dividends, which are generally senior to other payments by the Issuer, will be paid to the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares.

3. Equity Status of the Preferred Shares. The Preferred Shares are equity in the Issuer and are not secured by the Portfolio Collateral or any other Collateral securing the Notes. As such, the Holders of the Preferred Shares will rank behind all of the creditors, whether secured or unsecured and known or unknown, of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the Holders of the Notes and the Servicer. No person or entity other than the Issuer will be required to make any distributions on the Preferred Shares. Except with respect to the obligations of the Issuer to make payments pursuant to the priority of payments set forth in the Indenture and more fully described in the Note Offering Circular, the Issuer does not expect to have any creditors. Any amounts paid by the Paying and Transfer Agent as dividends or other distributions on the Preferred Shares in accordance with the priority of payments set forth in the Indenture and more fully described in the Note Offering Circular will be payable only to the extent of the Issuer's distributable profits and/or share premium determined in accordance with Cayman Islands law. In addition, such distributions will be payable only to the extent that the Issuer is solvent on the applicable Payment Date and the Issuer will not be insolvent after such distributions are paid. Under Cayman Islands law, a company is generally deemed to be solvent if it is able to pay its debts as they fall due.

To the extent the requirements under Cayman Islands law described in the preceding paragraph are not met, amounts otherwise payable to the Holders of the Preferred Shares will be retained in an account with the Paying and Transfer Agent (the "**Preferred Shares Collection Account**") until, in the case of any payment by way of dividend, the next succeeding Payment Date or (in the case of any payment which would otherwise be payable on a redemption date of the Preferred Shares) the next succeeding Business Day on which the Issuer notifies the Paying and Transfer Agent that such requirements are met and, in the case of any payment on redemption of the Preferred Shares, the next succeeding Business Day on which the Issuer notifies the Paying and Transfer Agent that such requirements are met. Amounts on deposit in the Preferred Shares Collection Account will not be available to pay amounts due to the Holders of the Notes, the Trustee or any other creditor of the Issuer whose claim is limited in recourse to the Portfolio Collateral. However, amounts on deposit in the Preferred Shares Collection Account may be subject to the claims of creditors of the Issuer that have not contractually limited their recourse to the Portfolio Collateral. The Indenture and the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement will limit the Issuer's activities to the issuance and sale of the Notes, the Preferred Shares and ordinary shares, the acquisition and disposition of the Portfolio Collateral, the acquisition and disposition of the Eligible Investments and the other activities related to the issuance and the sale of the Notes and the Preferred Shares described under "The Issuer" herein. The Issuer does not expect to have any significant full recourse liabilities that would be payable out of amounts on deposit in the Preferred Shares Collection Account.

4. Restrictions on Transfer. The Preferred Shares have not been registered under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "**Securities Act**"), or under any U.S. state securities or "Blue Sky" laws or the securities laws of any other jurisdiction and are being issued and sold in reliance upon exemptions from registration provided by such laws. The Preferred Shares are extremely illiquid. There is no market for the Preferred Shares offered hereby (and none is likely to develop) and, as a result, a holder of the Preferred Shares may find it difficult or uneconomic to liquidate its investment at any particular time. In addition, there are restrictions on transfer of the Preferred Shares. See "Description of the Preferred Shares—Restrictions on Transfer" herein.

5. The Issuer. The Issuer was formed on April 12, 2006 and has no significant prior operating history. The Issuer has no significant assets other than the Trust Estate. The Issuer will not engage in any business activity other than the co-issuance of the Notes (other than the Class B-2L Notes) and the issuance of the Combination Notes, the Preferred Shares and the ordinary shares as described herein, the acquisition and disposition of Portfolio Collateral as described herein and in the Note Offering Circular, certain activities conducted in connection with the payment of amounts in respect of the Notes, the Combination Notes and the Preferred Shares and other activities incidental to the foregoing. Income

derived from the Trust Estate will be the Issuer's principal source of cash. The Issuer is an exempted limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands. Because the Issuer is a Cayman Islands company and its directors may reside in the Cayman Islands, it may not be possible for investors to effect service of process within the United States on such persons or to enforce against them or against the Issuer in United States courts judgments predicated upon the civil liability provisions of the United States securities laws. None of the directors, security holders, members, officers or incorporators of the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Trustee, any of their respective affiliates or any other person or entity (other than the Issuer) will be obligated to make payments on the Notes, the Combination Notes or the Preferred Shares.

6. Potential Conflicts of Interest. It is expected that Highland Financial Partners, L.P. or an affiliate or subsidiary thereof ("**HFP**") will purchase approximately 13,450,000 Class I Preferred Shares and 44,000,000 Class II Preferred Shares of the Issuer on the Closing Date, representing approximately 67% of the total Preferred Shares outstanding (the "**Original HFP Share Amount**"). In addition, the Servicer, entities affiliated with the Servicer or clients of the Servicer (collectively, the "**Servicer Entities**") may also acquire Notes or Preferred Shares upon the occurrence of an Amendment Buy-Out, a Maturity Extension or an Optional Redemption by Refinancing as described herein. The interests of the Holders of the Preferred Shares that are Servicer Entities, or any other Notes owned by the Servicer Entities, may be different from or adverse to the interests of the Holders of the other Notes and Preferred Shares. As the result of the ownership of Preferred Shares and Notes by the Servicer Entities, and the ability to vote the Preferred Shares and the Notes owned by the Servicer Entities up to a maximum amount equal to the Original HFP Share Amount, the affirmative vote or approval of the Preferred Shares owned by such Servicer Entities, may be required in order to cause an Optional Redemption or a Tax Event Redemption of the Notes. Preferred Shares owned or controlled by the Servicer Entities above the Original HFP Share Amount will be excluded from voting on certain matters including any Optional Redemption.

In addition to the Base Servicing Fee, the Servicer is entitled to receive an Additional Servicing Fee and an Supplemental Servicing Fee (if any) after all other distributions (other than certain distributions with respect to the Preferred Shares and certain administrative expenses) are made, which is dependent in large part on the performance of the securities purchased by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer. This could create an inducement for the Servicer to service the Issuer's assets in such a manner as to seek to maximize the return on such securities. This could result in increasing the volatility of the Portfolio Collateral and could contribute to a decline in the aggregate value of the Portfolio Collateral. However, the Servicer's servicing of the Issuer's assets is restricted by the requirement that it comply with the restrictions described in "Security for the Notes" and by its internal policies with respect to the management of securities accounts.

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise from the overall activity of the Servicer, its affiliates and their respective clients. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

Certain Holders of the Notes and certain Holders of the Preferred Shares may be clients of the Servicer or one of its affiliates. Certain clients of the Servicer and its affiliates may invest in securities that would be appropriate for inclusion in the Trust Estate. Further, the Servicer currently serves and may in the future serve as servicer, collateral manager or the equivalent for other issuers of collateralized debt obligations, including collateralized debt obligation vehicles having objectives similar to those of the Issuer. The Servicer and its affiliates may make asset management decisions for its clients and affiliates that may be different from those made by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer. The Servicer and its affiliates may also have ongoing relationships with, and may own or invest assets of their clients in, equity securities issued by issuers of Portfolio Collateral. In addition, affiliates and clients of the Servicer

may invest in securities that are senior to, or have interests different from or adverse to, the securities included in the Trust Estate. An affiliate of the Servicer may earn fees with respect to financial advisory services rendered to companies in connection with workouts or the subsequent restructuring of such companies. Such fees and advice may continue for a period of time after any such workout or restructure. The Issuer may own an interest in the securities of such companies.

The Amendment Buy-Out will increase the ability of the Servicer to affect or influence the amendment process under the Indenture and will limit any Holder's ability to vote against an amendment or affect or influence the amendment process with respect to the Indenture.

If the Servicer elects to extend the Revolving Period and the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Holders of the Notes and the Preferred Shares may either be required to hold their Notes and Preferred Shares for a significantly longer period of time or be forced to sell their Notes and Preferred Shares for the applicable purchase price under the Indenture, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Notes and Preferred Shares.

In addition, at any time after the Non-Call Period, the Holders of a Majority of the Preferred Shares may consent to or request an Optional Redemption by Refinancing. So long as HFP and/or its subsidiaries hold a controlling block of Preferred Shares, their vote will be required for such Optional Redemption. Consequentially, the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares could prevent Holders of the Class I Preferred Shares from achieving any such Optional Redemption by Refinancing.

In addition to acting as Servicer to the Issuer, Highland Capital Management L.P. will act as manager for HFP, which will, on the Closing Date, purchase all of the Class II Preferred Shares and 32% of the Class I Preferred Shares. Because Highland Capital Management will receive both a servicing fee from the Issuer for servicing the Portfolio Collateral and a management fee from HFP for managing HFP's assets, which will include the Preferred Shares (and therefor a residual interest in the Portfolio Collateral), Highland Capital Management has agreed, in connection with the capital raising of HFP, to waive a portion of its servicing fees from the Issuer until February 3, 2008 so as not to reduce the return on investment realized by HFP in respect of the Class II Preferred Shares. Thereafter Highland Capital Management may at its discretion continue to waive such portion of its servicing fees or may elect to receive such servicing fees in their entirety. Accordingly, during the period from the Closing Date until February 3, 2008, a portion (representing the percentage ownership of the Preferred Shares represented by the Class II Preferred Shares, which will initially be owned entirely by HFP) of the amounts that would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as a servicing fee will instead be payable on the Class II Preferred Shares as the Class II Preferred Share Dividends in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Thereafter, the Servicer may elect to continue to waive such same portion of the amounts that would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as a servicing fee, or any lesser portion of such amounts, and have such amounts be paid instead as the Class II Preferred Share Dividends. The Class II Preferred Shares and the Class I Preferred Shares will vote together as a single class and the existence of the Class II Preferred Share Dividends may cause HFP to have interests different from the holders of the Class I Preferred Shares.

For a further description of certain conflicts of interest with respect to the Servicer, Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., and their respective affiliates and clients, see "Special Considerations—Potential Conflicts of Interest" in the Note Offering Circular.

7. Certain Tax Considerations. Investors in the Preferred Shares should review carefully the tax considerations set forth in "Certain Tax Considerations" and "Cayman Islands Taxation" herein.

8. Certain ERISA Considerations. Investors in the Preferred Shares should review carefully the ERISA considerations set forth in "Certain ERISA Considerations" herein.



9. Servicer Affiliates Reliance of Rule 3a-7; Potential Indenture Amendments. HFP will, on the Closing Date, purchase all of the Class II Preferred Shares and 32% of the Class I Preferred Shares. The Servicer will act as the manager for HFP. HFP and Highland Financial Trust, the owner of substantially all of the limited partnership interests of HFP, are relying on an exception from the definition of investment company and the requirement to register under the Investment Company Act that in turn depends, in part, upon the Issuer not being an investment company required to register under the Investment Company Act by reason of Rule 3a-7 thereunder. It is expected that, in connection with certain capital raising activities of Highland Financial Trust, the SEC may consider the applicability of Rule 3a-7 to the Issuer. If it were determined that the Issuer cannot rely on Rule 3a-7, the Servicer may cause the Issuer to amend the Indenture without the consent of the Holders of the Notes and without the consent of the Holders of the Preferred Shares to enable the Issuer to rely on Rule 3a-7, which could require additional limitations and prohibitions on the circumstances under which the Issuer may sell assets, on the type of assets that the Issuer may acquire out of the proceeds of assets that mature, are refinanced or otherwise sold, on the period during which such transactions may occur, on the level of transactions that may occur or on other provisions of the Indenture and could adversely affect the earnings of the Issuer and its ability to make payments on the Notes and distributions to the Preferred Shares. As a condition to the effectiveness of any such amendment to the Indenture, the Issuer, the Trustee and the Initial Purchaser will (i) satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to such amendment and (ii) receive a customary, unqualified opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such amendment and assuming compliance with the Indenture as so amended, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act. Such nationally recognized law firm may also be acting as counsel to the Servicer, certain Holders of Notes and/or Preferred Shares. The interests of any such parties may not coincide with the interest of other Holders of Notes and/or Preferred Shares. See "Legal Structure—The Indenture—Modification of Indenture" in the Note Offering Circular.

10. Legislation and Regulations In Connection With the Prevention of Money Laundering. The Uniting and Strengthening America By Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the "**USA PATRIOT Act**"), signed into law on and effective as of October 26, 2001, imposes anti-money laundering obligations on different types of financial institutions, including banks, broker-dealers and investment companies. The USA PATRIOT Act requires the Secretary of the United States Department of the Treasury (the "**Treasury**") to prescribe regulations to define the types of investment companies subject to the USA PATRIOT Act and the related anti-money laundering obligations. It is not clear whether the Treasury will require entities such as the Issuer to enact anti-money laundering policies. It is possible that the Treasury will promulgate regulations requiring the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchaser or other service providers to the Co-Issuers, in connection with the establishment of anti-money laundering procedures, to share information with governmental authorities with respect to investors in the Notes and/or the Preferred Shares. Such legislation and/or regulations could require the Co-Issuers to implement additional restrictions on the transfer of the Notes and/or the Preferred Shares. As may be required, the Issuer reserves the right to request such information and take such actions as are necessary to enable it to comply with the USA PATRIOT Act.

11. Emerging Requirements of the European Union. As part of the harmonization of transparency requirements, the European Commission is scheduled to adopt a directive known as the Transparency Obligations Directive that, among other things, will regulate issuers of securities that are offered to the public or admitted to trading on a European Union regulated market. The listing of the Preferred Shares on any European Union stock exchange would subject the Issuer to regulation under this directive, although the requirements applicable to the Issuer are not yet fully clarified. The Indenture will not require the Issuer to apply for, list or maintain a listing for any Class of Notes or the Preferred Shares on a European Union stock exchange if compliance with this directive (or other requirements adopted by

the European Commission or a relevant member state) becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer. Should the Preferred Shares be delisted from any exchange, the ability of the holders of such Preferred Shares to sell such Preferred Shares in the secondary market may be negatively affected.

12. Tax Matters. By its acceptance of a Preferred Share, each Holder and beneficial owner of a Preferred Share that is a Non-U.S. Holder shall be deemed have represented that it is not purchasing its Preferred Shares in order to reduce its United States federal income tax liability pursuant to a tax avoidance plan within the meaning of Treasury Regulation § 1.881-3(b), and each Holder and beneficial owner of a Preferred Share shall be deemed to have agreed (a) to treat the Issuer as a non-U.S. corporation, treat the Preferred Shares as equity in the Issuer, and treat the Notes as indebtedness of the Issuer and to take no action inconsistent with such treatment; (b) to timely furnish the Issuer or its agents any United States federal income tax form or certification (such as IRS Form W-8BEN, Form W-8IMY, Form W-8ECI or Form W-9 or any successors to such forms) that the Issuer or its agents may reasonably request and to update or replace such Form on or before the date that the most recently provided Form expires or becomes obsolete, or upon the occurrence of any event requiring an amendment or change to the most recently provided Form; (c) to provide the Issuer, upon request, with such information as may reasonably be requested by the Issuer (including but not limited to information relating to the beneficial owner of the Preferred Share) in connection with the Issuer's fulfillment of its tax reporting, notification, withholding and similar obligations arising under the Code (as amended from time to time) or the Transaction Documents; and (d) not to treat the Issuer as being engaged in the active conduct of a banking, financing, insurance, or other similar business for purposes of Section 954(h)(2) of the Code.

#### THE ISSUER

The issuer of the Preferred Shares is Rockwall CDO II Ltd., an exempted limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the "**Issuer**"). The Issuer has been established to acquire a diversified portfolio of commercial loans (and participations therein) and to a limited extent, high yield debt obligations and synthetic securities, as more fully described in the Note Offering Circular. See "Security for the Notes" in the Note Offering Circular. The Issuer's authorized share capital is U.S.\$350,250 and consists of 250 ordinary shares of U.S.\$1.00 par each, 175,000,000 Class I Preferred Shares of U.S.\$0.001 par each and 175,000,000 Class II Preferred Shares of U.S.\$0.001 par each. The activities of the Issuer will be limited to (i) the issuance of the Preferred Shares and its ordinary shares, (ii) the issuance of the Notes and the Combination Notes, which Notes will be secured by the Portfolio Collateral and certain other assets pledged by the Issuer under the Indenture, (iii) the acquisition of the Portfolio Collateral and other assets permitted by the Indenture among the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and Investors Bank & Trust Company, as trustee and as securities intermediary, (iv) the ownership of 100% of the capital stock of the Co-Issuer, and (v) other activities incidental to the foregoing and permitted by the Indenture. For a more complete discussion of the Issuer, see "The Issuer and the Co-Issuer" in the Note Offering Circular.

A portion of the Class I Preferred Shares will be sold on the Closing Date as part of the Combination Notes (the "Combination Notes") of the Issuer. The Combination Notes will consist of two components: (i) the Note Component having an aggregate initial principal amount of \$6,750,000 Class B-1L Notes and (ii) the Preferred Share Component representing 3,250,000 Class I Preferred Shares. The Combination Notes represent an ownership interest in such Class B-1L Notes and such Class I Preferred Shares and do not represent an additional obligation of the Issuer. The Combination Notes will represent a stapled security comprising two components which are not separately transferable; however, a holder may exchange its Combination Notes for the corresponding interests in the component securities. The holders of the Combination Notes will be treated for all purposes under the Indenture and the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement as holders of the corresponding Class B-1L Notes and Class I Preferred Shares. The Combination Notes are not offered hereby.

## DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED SHARES

### General

The Issuer will issue 42,200,000 Class I Preferred Shares, par value U.S. \$0.001 per share (the "**Class I Preferred Shares**") and 44,000,000 Class II Preferred Shares, par value U.S. \$0.001 per share (the "**Class II Preferred Shares**" and, together with the Class I Preferred Shares, the "**Preferred Shares**"). The Preferred Shares will be entitled to all distributions made from the Portfolio Collateral after payment of all prior amounts in accordance with the priority of payments set out in the Indenture and more fully described in the Note Offering Circular.

The Issuer will appoint an off-shore Paying and Transfer Agent (in addition to and not in lieu of Investors Bank & Trust Company) if requested by at least 33-2/3% of the Preferred Shares, the cost of such agent to be borne by the Issuer. There can be no assurance that any investor requesting payment from an off-shore paying agent will receive payments on the same day that they would have had the payments been made by Investors Bank & Trust Company.

The Preferred Shares will be issued pursuant to the Articles of Association of the Issuer (the "**Articles**") and certain resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Issuer passed on or prior to the issue of the Preferred Shares as memorialized in the board minutes relating thereto (the "**Resolutions**") and distributions made thereon will be made pursuant to the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, to be dated as of the Closing Date (the "**Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement**"), between the Issuer and Investors Bank & Trust Company, as the Paying and Transfer Agent thereunder (in such capacity, the "**Paying Agent**"). The Notes will be issued pursuant to the Indenture.

The assets of the Issuer are expected to be limited to the Portfolio Collateral having the characteristics described in the Note Offering Circular under "Security for the Notes" and the Trust Estate described therein, all of which, pursuant to the Indenture, will be pledged to secure the Notes. The Preferred Shares are entitled to receive distributions only to the extent monies are released therefor from the lien of the Indenture, as described herein and in the Note Offering Circular, and distributions are only payable out of profits of the Issuer and/or its share premium, being the difference between the issue price for the shares and their par value, and to the extent that the Issuer is able to pay its debts as they fall due in the ordinary course of business immediately following such payments.

### Form and Denomination

Except with respect to Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., the minimum number of Preferred Shares that may be purchased or transferred will be 200,000 and integral multiples of 1 share in excess thereof.

Upon issuance, the Preferred Shares sold to Non-U.S. Persons (as defined in Regulation S) under the Securities Act (each, a "**Non-U.S. Person**") that are also Qualified Institutional Buyers in Offshore Transactions (as defined in Regulation S) in reliance on Regulation S, initially will be represented by one or more permanent physical share certificates in fully registered definitive form (each a "**Global Preferred Share**"), which will be deposited with a common depository on behalf of Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of The Euroclear System ("**Euroclear**") and Clearstream Banking, société anonyme ("**Clearstream**").

Subject to the receipt by the Paying Agent of a certificate in the form similar to the one provided by the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement from the person holding such interest, a beneficial interest in each Global Preferred Share may be transferred prior to the expiration of a one-year period beginning on the later of the Closing Date or on the day on which the offer of the Preferred Shares is completed (the

**"Distribution Compliance Period"**), only to (i) a Non-U.S. Person who certifies that it is not a U.S. Person and is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is not acquiring an interest in the Global Preferred Share for the account or benefit of any U.S. Person or (ii) after the Distribution Compliance Period, to a U.S. Person who certifies that it is a qualified institutional buyer (a **"Qualified Institutional Buyer"**) as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act, and in each case only to a purchaser who is also a "qualified purchaser" or "knowledgeable employee" within the meaning of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act, but only if such purchaser takes in the form of a Restricted Preferred Share (as defined below) registered in the name of such person.

Subject to the receipt by the Paying Agent of a certificate in the form similar to the one provided by the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement from the person holding such interest, a holder of a Restricted Preferred Share (as such term is defined below) who is a U.S. Person may at any time transfer its interest in such Preferred Share only (a) to a Non-U.S. Person pursuant to Regulation S who is also a "qualified institutional buyer" within the meaning of Rule 144A under the Securities Act or (b) to a "qualified institutional buyer" within the meaning of Rule 144A under the Securities Act, in each case in transactions not requiring registration under the Securities Act, and in the case of clause (b), only to a transferee who is also a "qualified purchaser" or "knowledgeable employee" within the meaning of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act.

Upon deposit of the Global Preferred Share with the common depository, Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, will credit each purchaser (or its agent or custodian) with the number of Preferred Shares for which it has paid. The holder of the Global Preferred Share will be the only entity entitled to receive payments in respect of the Preferred Shares represented by such Global Preferred Share, and the obligations of the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the holder of such Global Preferred Shares in respect of each amount so paid. Each of the persons shown in the records of Euroclear as the holder of Global Preferred Shares must look solely to Euroclear, for its share of each payment so made by the Issuer to, or to the order of, the holder of such Global Preferred Shares. No person other than the holder of the Global Preferred Shares shall have any claim against the Issuer in respect of any payments due on the Global Preferred Shares.

Payments on the Global Preferred Shares will be made pursuant to certain procedures established between the Paying Agent, the common depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as the case may be. All such payments will be made by wire transfer to a United States dollar account maintained by such holder with a bank outside the United States.

Global Preferred Shares will, for purposes of trading within Euroclear and Clearstream, have a notional issue price equal to U.S. \$1 for each Preferred Share.

Definitive Preferred Share certificates, in fully registered form (**"Definitive Preferred Shares"**) will be issued and exchanged for each Global Preferred Share within 30 days of the occurrence of any of the following: (i) either Euroclear or Clearstream is closed for business for a continuous period of 14 days (other than by reason of holiday, statutory or otherwise) or announces an intention permanently to cease business and no alternative clearance system satisfactory to the Paying Agent is available, (ii) as a result of any amendment to, or change in, the laws or regulations of Cayman Islands or of any authority therein or thereof having power to tax or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations which becomes effective on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer or the Paying Agent are or will be required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Preferred Shares which would not be required were the Preferred Shares in definitive registered form, or (iii) the Issuer so elects by notice to the Preferred Shareholders in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement and Euroclear or Clearstream, as applicable, does not object.

The Preferred Shares sold in the United States to Qualified Institutional Buyers who are U.S. Persons will be represented, on issue, by definitive fully registered Preferred Share certificates bearing the appropriate legend ("**Restricted Preferred Shares**").

Payments on the Definitive Preferred Shares and Restricted Preferred Shares will be made pursuant to certain procedures established by the Paying Agent. All such payments on such Preferred Shares will be made by wire transfer to a United States dollar account maintained by such holder.

Under the terms of the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Paying Agent will be the initial paying agent with respect to the Preferred Shares. The Issuer may not appoint a paying agent with respect to the Preferred Shares within the United States. Payments of dividends on the Preferred Shares and redemption payments will be made from funds available in the Collection Account and released to the Paying Agent by the Trustee under the Indenture and will only be payable if the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium. All interest and principal payments on the Portfolio Collateral will be deposited directly into the Collection Account and, together with any income thereon, will be available for payments first to certain expenses and the Notes and then to the Preferred Shares to the extent that the Issuer is and remains solvent after such payments are made. Under Cayman Islands law, a company is generally deemed to be solvent if it is able to pay its debts as they fall due.

#### Status of Preferred Shares

The Preferred Shares are part of the share capital of the Issuer and, as such, their entitlement is limited to the assets of the Issuer after payment of all liabilities ranking ahead of them according to the Articles and at law.

The Articles, in conjunction with the Resolutions, provide for payments of dividends and capital on redemption of the Preferred Shares and any payments on liquidation of the Issuer to rank after payments due on the Notes (other than certain amounts constituting the Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend which will be senior to payments on the Notes), and, except as described in the Note Offering Circular under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions," after the payment of fees and expenses.

The Preferred Shares are entitled to receive the Excess Cash Flow, and in the case of the Class II Preferred Shares, the Class II Preferred Share Dividend. As a matter of Cayman Islands law, on a liquidation of the Issuer, the holders of the Preferred Shares will rank after all other creditors, both secured and unsecured, of the Issuer and holders of the ordinary shares.

#### Distributions

On each Payment Date and on the Final Maturity Date, the Paying Agent, on behalf of the holders of the Preferred Shares, will be entitled to receive from the Trustee (for payment to the holders of the Preferred Shares as a dividend or, on the Final Maturity Date, to redeem the Preferred Shares pursuant to the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement and in accordance with the Articles) all cash remaining after payment by the Trustee of all distributions which take priority over payments to the Holders of the Preferred Shares (such distributions including any Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend and Class II Preferred Shares Additional Dividend) described in detail in the Note Offering Circular under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions," if any, from the Collection Account (such remaining cash, if any, the "**Excess Cash Flow**").

Priority of Distributions

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will be entitled to receive any Excess Cash Flow as described in detail in the Secured Note Offering Circular under "Description of the Notes—Payments on the Notes; Priority of Distributions." Excess Cash Flow attributable to the Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections shall be distributed, in part, as follows:

(i) if the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares as of such Payment Date is less than 12%, to the pari passu payment to the Holders of all of the Preferred Shares, but only up to an amount that would cause the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares to equal 12%; and

(ii) any remaining amounts, (a) 20% to (x) the payment of the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date, and (y) the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Supplemental Dividend then due and unpaid, and (b) 80% to the Holders of the Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, as a dividend thereon or as a redemption payment on the Redemption Date, as applicable.

Any Excess Cash Flow that constitutes part of the Class II Preferred Share Dividend will not be allocable to the Class I Preferred Shares, rather, such amounts will only be available for distributions on the Class II Preferred Shares on each Payment Date. The "**Class II Preferred Share Dividend**" shall mean the Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend, Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend and Class II Preferred Share Supplemental Dividend, each as described in the Note Offering Circular.

Failure to satisfy any Overcollateralization Test, the Interest Coverage Test or the application of the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement described under "Description of the Notes" in the Note Offering Circular may result in the temporary or permanent diversion of all or a portion of amounts otherwise payable as Excess Cash Flow (and will have a corresponding effect on Preferred Shares distributions). The amount and frequency of distributions of Excess Cash Flow to the Issuer will depend on, among other things, the purchase rate in respect of new Portfolio Collateral, the level of LIBOR, the extent to which the Portfolio Collateral pledged to secure the Notes becomes Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, is subject to scheduled payments of principal, or is retired prior to the stated maturity of the Notes through mandatory or optional redemption, sale, maturity or other liquidation or disposition and the extent to which Substitute Portfolio Collateral is available for purchase in accordance with the criteria described in the Note Offering Circular.

Payments of Dividends on Preferred Shares; Preferred Shares Redemption

The Articles, in conjunction with the Resolutions, will provide for the payment of dividends on the Preferred Shares, without requiring any declaration by the board of directors, on each Payment Date through and including the Final Maturity Date, commencing on the first Payment Date. In addition to the Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend and the Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend, such payment of dividends on each Payment Date will be in an amount equal to all Excess Cash Flow, if any, for such Payment Date in accordance with the priority of distributions less, with respect to the Final Maturity Date, such part of the Excess Cash Flow paid to redeem the Preferred Shares on such date. Such dividends, if any, will be paid on each Payment Date other than the Final Maturity Date to the holders of the Preferred Shares in whose names the Preferred Shares are registered at the close of business on the Record Date for such Payment Date.

No redemption of the Preferred Shares will be made from the Portfolio Collateral until the Notes are paid in full. Upon payment of the Notes in full, all Excess Cash Flow attributable to Adjusted Collateral Principal Collections will be paid to the holders of the Preferred Shares as dividends or, with

respect to the Final Maturity Date, as the redemption price on redemption of the Preferred Shares. The Preferred Shares are not subject to redemption at the option of the holders thereof, except in connection with a liquidation of the Trust Estate upon payment in full of the Notes at the direction of the holders of a Majority or more of the Preferred Shares. See "Description of the Preferred Shares—Termination of Trust Estate."

Payments of dividends and the redemption price on redemption of the Class I Preferred Shares and the Class II Preferred Shares will be made *pro rata* to registered holders of Class I Preferred Shares and the Class II Preferred Shares, respectively, according to the number of such Class I Preferred Shares and Class II Preferred Shares held by the respective Holders. The payment of dividends and the redemption of the Preferred Shares is subject to the Issuer having sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium (being the difference between the par value of the Preferred Shares and their issue price) of the Preferred Shares out of which to pay such amounts and, in the case of a payment from share premium, the Issuer being able to pay its debts as they fall due in the ordinary course of its business.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, upon any redemption of the Preferred Shares, any Excess Cash Flow that constitutes part of the Class II Preferred Share Dividend will not be allocable to the Class I Preferred Shares, rather, such amounts will only be available for distributions on the Class II Preferred Shares.

#### Events of Default

The Note Offering Circular describes those circumstances that would constitute an Event of Default under the Indenture. See "Legal Structure—The Indenture—Events of Default" in the Note Offering Circular.

If an Event of Default under the Indenture should occur and be continuing with respect to the Notes, the Trustee may, with the consent of the Requisite Noteholders, and shall at the direction of the Requisite Noteholders, declare the principal of the Notes to be immediately due and payable. Such declaration may under certain circumstances be rescinded by the Trustee at the direction of the Requisite Noteholders. As long as any Notes are outstanding, if an Event of Default under the Indenture should occur, the holders of such Notes will be entitled to determine the remedies to be exercised under the Indenture. Remedies pursued by the holders of the Notes would likely adversely affect the interests of the holders of the Preferred Shares.

#### Exchange and Transfer

The Issuer shall maintain, or cause to be maintained, at a specified office a Share register (the "**Share Register**").

The Issuer will appoint a transfer agent (the "**Transfer Agent**"), at which office a holder of a Definitive Preferred Share may surrender such Preferred Share certificate for registration of transfer as described below. The Issuer has initially appointed the Paying Agent to act as Transfer Agent. The Issuer may at any time terminate the appointment of a Transfer Agent and appoint additional or other Transfer Agents. Notice of such termination or appointment and of any change in the specified office of a Transfer Agent will be provided in the manner described below in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement.

The costs and expenses of effecting any exchange or registration of transfer pursuant to the foregoing provisions, except for the expense of delivery by other than regular mail (if any) and except, if the Issuer shall so require, the payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge or insurance charges that may be imposed in connection with any registration of transfer or exchange of any Preferred Shares, will be borne by the Issuer.

A beneficial interest in a Global Preferred Share may only be transferred to (a) a Non-U.S. Person, who is also a Qualified Institutional Buyer, in an offshore transaction (as defined in Regulation S) (an "**Offshore Transaction**") in accordance with Regulation S (and in accordance with certain certification requirements in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement) or (b) after the Distribution Compliance Period, to a person who takes delivery in the form of a Definitive Preferred Share and delivers a written certification (in the form provided in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement) to the effect that such person is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is acquiring such interest for its own account (together with certain other requirements set forth in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement) and is a Qualified Purchaser or Knowledgeable Employee. Upon any exchange of any number of Preferred Shares represented by a Global Preferred Share for a Definitive Preferred Share, the Paying Agent shall surrender the certificate representing the Global Preferred Share to the Issuer for cancellation and the Issuer shall issue a new certificate for the reduced number of Preferred Shares represented by the Global Preferred Share and a new certificate in respect of the Definitive Preferred Share. The Issuer shall cause the Share Register to be updated accordingly.

Definitive Preferred Shares and Restricted Preferred Shares (or any interest therein) may only be transferred in accordance with the applicable laws of any State of the United States and (a) in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act involving a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is a U.S. Person as transferee and is a Qualified Purchaser or Knowledgeable Employee (in accordance with the certification requirements of the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement) or (b) to a person who takes delivery in the form of a beneficial interest in a Global Preferred Share and in such case only upon receipt by the Paying Agent of a written certification from the transferor (in the form provided in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement) to the effect that such transfer is being made to a Non-U.S. Person, who is also a Qualified Institutional Buyer, in accordance with Regulation S. Upon any exchange of a Definitive Preferred Share for a beneficial interest in a Global Preferred Share, the Paying Agent shall surrender the Definitive Preferred Share certificate and the Global Preferred Share certificate to the Issuer for cancellation and the Issuer shall issue the Paying Agent with a new certificate for the Global Preferred Shares reflecting the increased number of Preferred Shares represented thereby. The Issuer shall cause the Share Register to be updated accordingly.

Upon surrender for registration of transfer of any Definitive Preferred Share at the office of the Paying Agent, the Paying Agent, subject to and in accordance with the terms of the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, will deliver in the name of the designated transferee or transferees, or (in the case of a partial transfer) the registered holder, one or more new certificates representing the registered Definitive Preferred Shares certificates. Every registered Preferred Share presented or surrendered for registration of transfer shall be duly endorsed, or be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Issuer and the Paying Agent, duly executed by the registered holder thereof or its attorney duly authorized in writing.

Preferred Share certificates issued upon any exchange or transfer will be delivered at the office of the Paying Agent or mailed, at the request, risk and expense of the holder, to the address reflected for such holder in the register or such other address as such holder shall request. No service charge (other than any cost of delivery) shall be made for any registration of transfer or exchange of Preferred Shares, but the Issuer may require payment from the holder of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection therewith.

During the period of 15 days preceding any date fixed for payment of dividends on or redemption of the Preferred Shares, the Issuer shall not be required to register the transfer of or to exchange any Preferred Shares.



Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event any Holder of Class II Preferred Shares wishes to transfer all or a portion of its Class II Preferred Shares (the "**Class II Seller**") to any qualified third party purchaser (the "**Class II Buyer**"), including any holders of Class I Preferred Shares, such transfer shall only be effected by the Issuer redeeming such Class II Preferred Shares and correspondingly issuing new Class I Preferred Shares in accordance with the mechanics described in this paragraph and the applicable provisions in the Articles of Association of the Issuer. At least 10 days prior to any transfer by a Class II Seller to a Class II Buyer, such Class II Seller and Class II Buyer shall jointly notify the Issuer, the Transfer Agent and the Servicer of their intention to effect such transfer of Class II Preferred Shares, indicating the number of Class II Preferred Shares to be sold and the corresponding number of Class I Preferred Shares to be issued and acquired by the Class II Buyer, the price for such purchase and sale and the date on which such purchase and sale is expected to occur (such notice, the "**Sale Notice**"). The Issuer shall, on the date indicated in the Sale Notice, subject to such redemption being approved in writing by the Board of Directors of the Issuer and subject to such redemption being in respect of 200,000 Class II Preferred Shares or more, redeem the indicated number of Class II Preferred Shares to be sold by the Class II Seller and shall issue an equal number of Class I Preferred Shares to the Class II Buyer as indicated in the Sale Notice. The Class II Buyer shall pay the subscription price to the Issuer for the newly issued Class I Preferred Shares, and the Issuer shall immediately apply such amount to pay the redemption price to the Class II Seller for the redemption of such Class II Seller's Class II Preferred Shares.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in the event the Holder of any Class II Preferred Shares (the "**Class I Buyer**") wishes to acquire any Class I Preferred Shares from any holder of Class I Preferred Shares (the "**Class I Seller**"), such transfer shall only be effected by the Issuer redeeming a corresponding number of Class I Preferred Shares and issuing new Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the mechanics described in this paragraph and the applicable provisions in the Articles of Association of the Issuer. At least 10 days prior to any transfer by a Class I Seller to a Class I Buyer, such Class I Seller and Class I Buyer shall jointly notify the Issuer, the Transfer Agent and the Servicer of their intention to effect such acquisition of Class I Preferred Shares, indicating the number of Class I Preferred Shares to be sold by the Class I Seller, the corresponding number of Class I Preferred Shares to be redeemed by the Issuer and the number of Class II Preferred Shares to be issued and acquired by the Class I Buyer, respectively, the price for such purchase and sale and the date on which such purchase and sale is expected to occur (such notice, the "**Acquisition Notice**"). On the date indicated in the Sale Notice, Class I Seller shall, subject to such redemption being approved in writing by the Board of Directors of the Issuer and subject to such redemption being in respect of 200,000 Class I Preferred Shares or more, redeem the indicated number of Class I Preferred Shares to be sold by Class I Seller and the Issuer shall, subject to such redemption being approved in writing by the Board of Directors of the Issuer and subject to such redemption being in respect of 200,000 Class I Preferred Shares or more, redeem Class I Preferred Shares as indicated in the Acquisition Notice. Simultaneously with such redemption of Class I Preferred Shares, the Issuer shall issue Class II Preferred Shares to the Class I Buyer in an amount equal to the amount of Class I Preferred Shares being redeemed as indicated in the Acquisition Notice. The Class I Buyer shall pay the Issuer for its subscription to such newly issued Class II Preferred Shares in an amount indicated in the Acquisition Notice.

#### Prescription

Payments in respect of the Preferred Shares will cease to be due if not paid to the holder due to insufficient instructions for a period of ten years from the Relevant Date therefor. "**Relevant Date**" means the date on which the final payment in respect of Preferred Shares first becomes due, except that if the full amount of the monies payable has not been duly received by the Paying Agent on or prior to such due date, it means the date on which such monies have been so received.

Restrictions on Transfer

The Preferred Shares have not been registered under the Securities Act, the securities laws of any state of the United States or the securities laws of any other jurisdiction, and are being issued and sold in reliance upon exemptions from registration provided by such laws. There is no market for the Preferred Shares being offered hereby and, as a result, a purchaser must be prepared to hold the Preferred Shares for an indefinite period of time. No Preferred Shares may be sold or transferred unless such sale or transfer (i) is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act (for example, in reliance on exemptions provided by Rule 144A or Regulation S under the Securities Act) and other applicable securities laws, (ii) satisfies the transfer restrictions described in "Certain ERISA Considerations" herein, (iii) does not cause the Issuer to become subject to the registration requirements of the Investment Company Act, including by selling or otherwise transferring the Preferred Shares to a purchaser or other transferee (other than a Non-U.S. Person) which is not a "qualified purchaser" or "knowledgeable employee" within the meaning of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act, and (iv) otherwise fully complies with the Articles. The Preferred Shares may not be sold or transferred to any Plan, to any person acting on behalf of or with "plan assets" of any Plan, or to any other Benefit Plan Investor other than as described herein under "Certain ERISA Considerations."

Termination of Trust Estate

Upon payment in full of the Notes, the Issuer may elect, upon the direction the Requisite Noteholders, voting as a single class, to liquidate the Trust Estate in whole or in part. Any amounts realized from any such liquidation, after payment of any amounts due and payable under the Indenture, will be distributed in accordance with the provisions of the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement.

The Issuer is permitted to exercise the Optional Redemption in accordance with the requirements of the Indenture when directed by the holders of the Preferred Shares holding at least 66-2/3% of the Preferred Shares, voting as a single class.

Modification of Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement and the Indenture

Without the consent of any holders of Preferred Shares, the Issuer and the Paying Agent, at any time and from time to time, may enter into one or more agreements supplemental to the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement for any of the following purposes: (a) to evidence the succession of a successor entity to the Issuer and the assumption by any such successor of the covenants of the Issuer therein and in the Preferred Shares; (b) to take any action deemed reasonably necessary by the Issuer to prevent the reduction of dividends payable on the Preferred Shares as a result of imposition of any taxes; (c) to evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment thereunder by a successor Paying Agent with respect to the Preferred Shares; (d) to correct any manifest error with respect to any provision therein; (e) to cure any ambiguity, correct or supplement any provision therein which may be inconsistent with any other provision thereunder, or to make any other provisions with respect to matters or questions arising therein; (f) to take any action necessary or helpful to prevent the Issuer from being subject to any withholding or other taxes, fees or assessments or to reduce the risk that the Issuer or the Paying Agent, as applicable, will be engaged in a United States trade or business or otherwise subject to United States income tax on a net income basis; or (g) prevent the Issuer from becoming an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act or better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 thereunder; *provided* that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental indenture under this clause (g), each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Initial Purchaser shall (A) have satisfied the Rating Condition with respect to such supplemental indenture and (B) received a customary, unqualified opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such supplemental agreement, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act; *provided* that in each case that such action for any matters described in clauses (a) through (f) will not adversely affect the interests of the holders of Preferred Shares in any material respect.

With the consent of the holders of not less than a Majority of the Preferred Shares (voting as a single class) affected by a supplemental agreement or agreement referred to below, the Issuer and the Paying Agent (and with the consent of the Servicer, if any supplemental agreement would reduce its rights or increase its obligations under the Collateral Management Agreement) may enter into an agreement or agreements supplemental to the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement for the purpose of adding any provisions to, or changing in any manner or eliminating any of the provisions of, the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement or of modifying in any manner the rights of the holders of Preferred Shares under such agreement; *provided* that no such supplemental agreement will, without the consent of the holder of each outstanding Preferred Share affected thereby: (a) change the method or methods by which dividends will be determined for any Preferred Share or reduce the par value thereof or change the coin or currency in which such amounts are, or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after the stated maturity thereof; or (b) reduce the percentage amount of the outstanding Preferred Shares, the consent of whose holders is required for any such supplemental agreement, or the consent of whose holders is required for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of such agreement or certain defaults thereunder and their consequences provided for in such agreement; or (c) modify any of the provisions of the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement relating to the modification thereof, except to increase any such percentage or to provide that certain other provisions of such agreement cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the holder of each outstanding Preferred Share affected thereby.

In addition, as described in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, without the consent of at least 66-2/3% of the holders of the Preferred Shares materially and adversely affected thereby, the Issuer will not be permitted to enter into any supplemental indenture that would (i) increase the Applicable Periodic Rate for any Class of Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of any Class of Notes, the Optional Redemption Price or the mandatory redemption price, (ii) modify Article XI of the Indenture, (iii) change the maturity of the principal of or interest on any Note or reduce the principal amount thereof or the rate of interest thereon or change the time or amount of any other amount payable in respect of any Note or of any amount payable to the Issuer for distribution to the holders of the Preferred Shares, (iv) reduce the percentage of Holders of Notes or the percentage of the Preferred Shares whose consent is required for the authorization of any supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of the Indenture, (v) impair or adversely affect the Trust Estate securing the Notes, (vi) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on parity with the lien of the Indenture with respect to any part of the Trust Estate or terminate the lien of the Indenture, (vii) reduce the percentage of Holders of Notes or the holders of the Preferred Shares whose consent is required to direct the Trustee to liquidate the Trust Estate, (viii) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture with respect to whose consent is required for supplemental indentures or waiver of Defaults and their consequences except to increase the percentage of Outstanding Notes whose consent is required for any such action or to provide that other provisions of the Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note affected thereby, (ix) modify the provisions thereof relating to priority of distributions or subordination or the definition therein of the terms "Holder," "Noteholder," "Majority Noteholder," "Majority Preferred Shareholder," "Outstanding" or "Requisite Noteholder," (x) amend any provision that provides that the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer are non-recourse obligations or (xi) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of principal of or interest on or other amount in respect of any Note or of any payment to the Issuer for distribution to the holders of the Preferred Shares or to affect the right of the Holders of Notes to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of such Notes contained therein.

#### Amendment Buy-Out

In the case of any supplemental indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of the Notes or Preferred Shares, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Notes and Preferred Shares held by such Holder whose

consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture (the "**Amendment Buy-Out Option**") for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all Notes and Preferred Shares of Non-Consenting Holders, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes or Preferred Shares the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an "**Amendment Buy-Out**"). By its acceptance of a Note or Preferred Share, each Holder of a Note and Preferred Share agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its applicable Note or Preferred Share to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

All purchases made pursuant to the Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Notes and Preferred Shares set forth in "Delivery of the Notes; Transfer Restrictions; Settlement" in the Note Offering Circular and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency)

#### Governing Law

The Notes, the Indenture and the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York. The rights attached to the Preferred Shares as set forth in the Articles will be governed by Cayman Islands law. The Issuer will irrevocably submit to the federal court sitting in the City and County of New York over any suit, action or proceeding arising out of or relating to any of the Notes, the Indenture and the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement.

#### THE SERVICER AND THE SERVICING AGREEMENT

Highland Capital Management, L.P. (the "**Servicer**"), will service the Portfolio Collateral and perform certain other reporting functions pursuant to a servicing agreement with the Issuer (the "**Servicing Agreement**"). For a description of the Servicer and the Servicing Agreement, see "The Servicer" and "The Servicing Agreement" in the Note Offering Circular.

#### ASSETS OF THE ISSUER

For a description of the assets of the Issuer, including a description of the criteria for the purchase or substitution of the Portfolio Collateral, see "Security for the Notes" in the Note Offering Circular.

#### DELIVERY OF THE PREFERRED SHARES; TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS; SETTLEMENT

The Preferred Shares have not been registered under the Securities Act, any United States state securities or "Blue Sky" laws or the securities laws of any other jurisdiction and, accordingly, may not be reoffered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. Persons, except in accordance with the restrictions described under "Notices to Purchasers."

Without limiting the foregoing, by holding Preferred Shares, each holder will acknowledge and agree, among other things, that such holder understands that the Issuer is not registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act, but that the Issuer is exempt from registration as such by virtue of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act, which in general excludes from the definition of an "investment company" any issuer whose outstanding securities (other than securities sold to Non-U.S. Persons under Regulation S) are beneficially owned solely by Qualified Purchasers or Knowledgeable Employees and which has not made and does not propose to make a public offering of its securities. Any sale or transfer which would violate these provisions shall be void ab initio, and no sale or transfer may be made if such sale or transfer would require the Issuer to become subject to the requirements of the Investment Company Act.

Unless determined otherwise by the Issuer in accordance with applicable law, all certificates representing the Preferred Shares will bear the legend set forth below:

**THE PREFERRED SHARES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), ANY STATE SECURITIES LAWS IN THE UNITED STATES OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY OTHER JURISDICTION AND MAY NOT BE REOFFERED, RESOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, U.S. PERSONS, EXCEPT AS PERMITTED BY THIS LEGEND. THE HOLDER OF ANY PREFERRED SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF THIS PREFERRED SHARE CERTIFICATE, REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT REOFFER, RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER THE PREFERRED SHARES REPRESENTED BY THIS CERTIFICATE EXCEPT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT AND OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS AND EXCEPT (A) IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, WHOM THE SELLER HAS INFORMED, IN EACH CASE, THAT THE REOFFER, RESALE, PLEDGE OR OTHER TRANSFER IS BEING MADE IN RELIANCE ON RULE 144A, PROVIDED THAT SUCH PURCHASER DELIVERS ALL DOCUMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS AS THE ISSUER OR THE PAYING AGENT MAY REASONABLY REQUIRE; (B) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT TO A PERSON WHO IS ALSO A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A; (C) TO THE ISSUER OR ITS AFFILIATES; OR (D) TO ANY OTHER PERSON OR ENTITY PURSUANT TO A VALID EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT PROVIDED THAT SUCH PURCHASER DELIVERS ALL DOCUMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS AS THE ISSUER OR THE PAYING AGENT MAY REQUEST, IN EACH CASE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANY APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAW OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER JURISDICTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE PAYING AND TRANSFER AGENCY AGREEMENT. IN ADDITION, EACH PURCHASER OF PREFERRED SHARES, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE THEREOF, REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER SUCH PREFERRED SHARES EXCEPT TO A NON-U.S. PERSON THAT IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER OR TO A "QUALIFIED PURCHASER" OR "KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEE" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER IN A TRANSACTION THAT DOES NOT CAUSE THE ISSUER TO BE REQUIRED TO REGISTER UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940. FURTHER, THE PREFERRED SHARES MAY NOT BE SOLD OR TRANSFERRED TO ANY PLAN SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, TO ANY PERSON ACTING ON BEHALF OF OR WITH "PLAN ASSETS" OF ANY SUCH PLAN,**

**OR TO ANY OTHER BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR (AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(42) OF ERISA), INCLUDING AN INSURANCE COMPANY GENERAL ACCOUNT, EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR RELATING TO THE PREFERRED SHARES.**

**TRANSFERS OF THE PREFERRED SHARES MAY ONLY BE MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE PAYING AND TRANSFER AGENCY AGREEMENT.**

**TRANSFERS OF THE PREFERRED SHARES MUST GENERALLY BE ACCOMPANIED BY APPROPRIATE TAX TRANSFER DOCUMENTATION.**

Subject to the restrictions on transfer set forth in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement and on the Preferred Share certificates, the holder of any Preferred Shares may transfer the same in whole or in part (in any authorized denomination) by surrendering the certificate relating to such Preferred Shares at the specified office of the Paying Agent or at the office of any transfer agent, together with an executed instrument of assignment and transfer substantially in the form attached to the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement. In exchange for any certificate representing the Preferred Shares properly presented for transfer with all necessary accompanying documentation, the Paying Agent will, within five Business Days of such request if made at the specified office of the Paying Agent, or within ten Business Days if made at the office of a transfer agent, deliver at the specified office of the Paying Agent or the office of the transfer agent, as the case may be, to the transferee or send by first-class mail at the risk of the transferee to such address as the transferee may request a certificate in the name of the transferee representing the number of Preferred Shares transferred. The presentation for transfer of any Preferred Shares will not be valid unless made at the specified office of the Paying Agent or at the office of a transfer agent by the registered holder in person, or by a duly authorized attorney-in-fact. The holder of a Preferred Share certificate will not be required to bear the costs and expenses of effecting any transfer or registration of transfer, except that the relevant holder will be required to bear (i) the expenses of delivery by other than regular mail (if any) and (ii) if the Issuer so requires, the payment of a sum sufficient to cover any duty, stamp tax or governmental charge or insurance charges that may be imposed in relation thereto.

#### CERTAIN TAX CONSIDERATIONS

##### Introduction

The following is a summary of certain of the United States federal income tax consequences of an investment in the Preferred Shares by purchasers that acquire their Preferred Shares in the initial offering. The discussion and the opinions referenced below are based upon laws, regulations, rulings, and decisions in effect and available on the date hereof, all of which are subject to change, possibly with retroactive effect. Prospective investors should note that no rulings have been or are expected to be sought from the Internal Revenue Service (the "IRS") with respect to any of the United States federal income tax consequences discussed below, and no assurance can be given that the IRS will not take contrary positions. Further, the following summary does not deal with all United States federal income tax consequences applicable to any given investor, nor does it address the United States federal income tax considerations applicable to all categories of investors, some of which may be subject to special rules, such as Non-U.S. Holders (defined below), banks, grantor trusts, REITs, RICs, insurance companies, tax-exempt organizations, dealers or traders in securities or currencies, electing large partnerships natural persons, cash method taxpayers, S corporations, certain expatriates, estates and trusts, investors that hold their Preferred Shares as part of a hedge, straddle, or an integrated or conversion transaction, or investors whose "functional currency" is not the United States dollar. Furthermore, it does not address alternative minimum tax consequences, estate or gift tax consequences, or the indirect effects on investors of equity

interests in either a U.S. Holder (as defined below) or a Non-U.S. Holder. In addition, this summary is generally limited to investors that acquire their Preferred Shares on the Closing Date for the issue price applicable to such Preferred Shares and who will hold their Preferred Shares as "capital assets" within the meaning of Section 1221 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "**Code**"). Also, because any Non-U.S. Holder of Preferred Shares will be deemed to have represented, by virtue of its acquisition of the Preferred Shares, that it did not purchase the Preferred Shares pursuant to a tax avoidance plan with respect to United States federal income taxes (within the meaning of Treasury Regulation § 1.881-3(b)), this summary does not address the tax consequences applicable to Non-U.S. Holders that acquire their Preferred Shares pursuant to such a plan. Investors should consult their own tax advisors to determine the United States federal, state, local, and other tax consequences of the purchase, ownership, and disposition of the Preferred Shares.

As used herein, "**U.S. Holder**" means any Holder or beneficial owner of a Preferred Share that is an individual citizen or resident of the United States for United States federal income tax purposes, a corporation or other entity taxable as a corporation created or organized in or under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (including the District of Columbia), an estate the income of which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of its source, or a trust where a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and one or more United States persons (as defined in the Code) have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust (or a trust that has made a valid election under United States Treasury Regulations to be treated as a domestic trust). "**Non-U.S. Holder**" means any Holder or beneficial owner of a Preferred Share that is not a U.S. Holder, other than a partnership. If a partnership holds Preferred Shares, the tax treatment of a partner will generally depend upon the status of the partner and upon the activities of the partnership. Partners of partnerships holding Preferred Shares should consult their own tax advisors regarding the tax consequences of an investment in the Preferred Shares (including their status as U.S. Holders or Non-U.S. Holders).

#### United States Federal Income Tax Consequences to the Issuer

Upon the issuance of the Preferred Shares, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, special United States tax counsel to the Issuer, will deliver an opinion generally to the effect that under current law, and assuming compliance with the Indenture (and certain other documents) and based on certain factual representations made by the Issuer and the Servicer, although the matter is not free from doubt, the permitted activities of the Issuer will not cause the Issuer to be engaged in the conduct of a trade or business in the United States. Accordingly, the Issuer does not expect to be subject to net income taxation in the United States. Prospective investors should be aware that opinions of counsel are not binding on the IRS and the IRS might seek to treat the Issuer as engaged in a United States trade or business. If the IRS were successfully to characterize the Issuer as engaged in a United States trade or business, among other consequences, the Issuer would be subject to net income taxation in the United States (as well as the branch profits tax) on its income that is effectively connected to the United States trade or business. The levying of such taxes would materially affect the Issuer's financial ability to make payments on the Preferred Shares. In addition, distributions on the Preferred Shares paid to Non-U.S. Holders could, in such circumstances, be subject to a 30% U.S. withholding tax.

The opinion of special U.S. tax counsel is subject to several considerations. Thus, the Issuer and Collateral Manager are entitled to rely upon advice of counsel with respect to deviations from the investment guidelines set forth in the Collateral Management Agreement; the foregoing opinion assumes (except in instances where Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP is providing the advice) that any such advice will be correct and complete. Additionally, it should be noted that the United States Treasury Department and the IRS recently announced that they are considering taxpayer requests for specific guidance on, among other things, whether a foreign person may be treated as engaged in a trade or

business in the United States by virtue of entering into credit default swaps. No guidance has been issued to date. If any future guidance concludes that foreign persons entering into certain credit default swaps will be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States, such guidance would adversely impact the Issuer's ability to pay principal and interest on the Preferred Shares. Further, it should be noted that gain or loss on a disposition by a foreign person of a United States real property interest may be subject to United States federal income tax as if the foreign person were engaged in a United States trade or business (even if the foreign person is not actually so engaged). The determination of whether an asset constitutes a United States real property interest is made periodically and, therefore, it is possible that an asset that was not a United States real property interest at the time it was acquired by the Issuer could, thereafter, become a United States real property interest. Finally, if the Issuer accepted a new security in exchange for an existing security or if the terms of an existing security were modified, the new or modified security might cause the Issuer to become engaged in a United States trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes.

The Issuer intends to acquire the Portfolio Collateral and Eligible Investments the interest on which and any gain from the sale or disposition with respect to which is not expected to be subject to United States federal withholding tax or withholding tax imposed by other countries (unless, in the case of interest, the obligor is required to "gross up" its payments to compensate for these taxes). The Issuer will not, however, make any independent investigation of the circumstances surrounding the issuance of the individual assets comprising the Portfolio Collateral and, thus, there can be no assurance that payments of interest on and gain from the sale or disposition of the Portfolio Collateral will in all cases be received free of withholding tax. It is not expected that the Issuer will derive material amounts of any other items of income that will be subject to United States withholding taxes. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any commitment fee, facility fee or other similar fee that the Issuer earns may be subject to a 30% United States federal withholding tax and any lending fees received under a securities lending agreement may also be subject to such tax. Additionally, if the Issuer is a CFC (defined below), the Issuer would incur United States withholding tax on interest received from a related United States person. If withholding or deduction of any taxes is required from payments received by the Issuer or is required from any payments made by the Issuer on the Preferred Shares, the Issuer shall be under no obligation to make any additional payments to any holder in respect of such withholding or deduction.

#### Tax Treatment of U.S. Holders of the Preferred Shares

The Issuer has agreed and, by its acceptance of a Preferred Share, each holder will be deemed to have agreed, to treat the Preferred Shares as equity of the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes. Therefore, subject to the rules discussed below relating to "passive foreign investment companies" ("PFICs") and "controlled foreign corporations" ("CFCs"), payments on such Preferred Shares should be treated as dividends to the extent of the current or accumulated earnings and profits of the Issuer. Payments characterized as dividends would be taxable at regular marginal income tax rates applicable to ordinary income, and would not be entitled to the benefit of the dividends received deduction or any reduction in tax rates that may be available for certain dividends. Distributions in excess of the Issuer's earnings and profits would be non-taxable to the extent of, and would be applied against and reduce, the U.S. Holder's adjusted tax basis in the Preferred Shares and, to the extent in excess of such basis, would be taxable as gain from the sale or exchange of property.

The tax consequences discussed in the preceding paragraph are likely to be significantly modified as a result of the application of the PFIC and CFC rules discussed below. Thus, U.S. Holders of Preferred Shares will be viewed as owning stock in a PFIC and, possibly, in a CFC (depending, in the latter instance, on the percentage of voting equity that is acquired and held by certain U.S. Holders). If applicable, the rules pertaining to CFCs would generally override those pertaining to PFICs, although in certain circumstances both set of rules could apply simultaneously.



Under the PFIC rules, U.S. Holders of the Preferred Shares (other than U.S. Holders that make a timely "QEF election," as described below) will be subject to special rules relating to the taxation of "excess distributions" – with excess distributions being defined to include certain distributions made by a PFIC on its stock as well as gain recognized on a disposition of PFIC stock. (For this purpose, a U.S. Holder that uses its Preferred Shares as security for an obligation may be treated as having made a disposition of PFIC stock.) In general, Section 1291 of the Code provides that the amount of any "excess distribution" will be allocated ratably to each day of the U.S. Holder's holding period for its PFIC stock. The amount allocated to the current year will be included in the U.S. Holder's gross income for the current year as ordinary income. With respect to amounts allocated to prior years, the tax imposed for the current year will be increased by the "deferred tax amount," which is an amount calculated with respect to each prior year by multiplying the amount allocated to such year by the highest rate of tax in effect for such year, together with an interest charge as though the amounts of tax were overdue.

In order to avoid the application of the PFIC rules, each U.S. Holder should consider making a qualified electing fund election (the "**QEF election**") provided in Section 1295 of the Code. In lieu of the PFIC rules discussed above, a U.S. Holder of Preferred Shares that makes a valid QEF election will, in very general terms, be required to include its pro rata share of the Issuer's ordinary income and net capital gains, unreduced by any prior year losses, in income for each taxable year (as ordinary income and long-term capital gain, respectively) and to pay tax thereon, even if the amount of that income is not the same as the interest or OID, if any, paid on the Preferred Shares during the year. If the Issuer later distributes the income or gain that the U.S. Holder has already included in income under the QEF rules, the amounts so distributed will not again be included in income in the hands of the U.S. Holder. A U.S. Holder's tax basis in any Preferred Shares as to which a QEF election has been validly made will be increased by the amount included in such U.S. Holder's income as a result of the QEF election and decreased by the amount of nontaxable distributions received by the U.S. Holder. On the disposition (including redemption or retirement) of a Preferred Share, a U.S. Holder making the QEF election generally will recognize capital gain or loss equal to the difference, if any, between the amount realized upon such disposition and its adjusted tax basis in the Preferred Share. In general, a protective QEF election should be made on or before the due date for filing a U.S. Holder's federal income tax return for the first taxable year for which the U.S. Holder has held its Preferred Shares. In this regard, a QEF election is effective only if certain required information is made available by the Issuer. Upon request, the Issuer will provide any U.S. Holder of a Preferred Share with the information necessary for such U.S. Holder to make the QEF election. Nonetheless, there can be no assurance that such information will always be available.

The Issuer may be treated as holding securities issued by non-U.S. corporations that are characterized as equity in one or more PFICs for United States federal income tax purposes. In that event, U.S. Holders of Preferred Shares would be treated as holding an interest in these indirectly-owned PFICs. Because the U.S. Holder – and not the Issuer – would be required to make any QEF election with respect to any such indirectly-owned PFIC, and because PFIC information statements necessary for any such election may not be made available by the PFIC, there can be no assurance that a U.S. Holder would be able to make a QEF election with respect to any particular indirectly-held PFIC. If the U.S. Holder of Preferred Shares has not made a QEF election with respect to an indirectly-owned PFIC, the U.S. Holder would be subject to the consequences described above with respect to the excess distributions of such PFIC (including gain indirectly realized with respect to such PFIC on the sale of the Issuer's interest in the PFIC and gain indirectly realized with respect to such PFIC the sale by the U.S. Holder of its Preferred Shares). Alternatively, if the U.S. Holder has made a QEF election with respect to the indirectly-owned PFIC, the U.S. Holder would be required to include in income its share of the indirectly-owned PFIC's ordinary earnings and net capital gain.

United States tax law contains special provisions relating to CFCs. A foreign corporation is a CFC if "U.S. Shareholders" in the aggregate own, directly or indirectly, more than 50% of the voting power or value of the stock of such corporation. For this purpose, a United States person that owns,

directly or indirectly, ten percent or more of the voting stock of a CFC is considered a "U.S. Shareholder" with respect to the CFC. Complex attribution rules apply for determining ownership of stock in a foreign corporation such as the Issuer. If any U.S. Holder of Preferred Shares were properly viewed as a U.S. Shareholder of the Issuer under the CFC rules, the U.S. Holder would be subject each year to U.S. income tax (at ordinary income rates) on its pro rata share of the income of the Issuer (assuming that the Issuer is properly classified as a CFC for the year and that the U.S. Holder holds its Preferred Shares as of the end of the year), regardless of the amount of cash distributions received by the U.S. Holder with respect to its Preferred Shares during the year. Earnings subject to tax to a U.S. Holder under the CFC rules generally would not be taxed again when distributed to the U.S. Holder. In addition, if the Issuer is a CFC and a U.S. Holder is a U.S. Shareholder with respect to the Issuer, all or a portion of the income that otherwise would be characterized as capital gain upon a sale of U.S. Holder's Preferred Shares may be classified as ordinary income. Certain income generated by a corporation conducting a banking, financing, insurance, or other similar business is not includible in a U.S. Shareholder's income under the CFC rules. However, by its acceptance of a Preferred Share, each Holder will be deemed to have agreed that the Issuer is not engaged in any such business. Accordingly, if the CFC rules were to apply, a U.S. Holder of Preferred Shares that constitutes a U.S. Shareholder under the CFC rules would generally be subject to tax on its share of all of the Issuer's income.

Prospective investors should be aware that, in computing the Issuer's earnings for purposes of the CFC rules, losses on dispositions of securities in bearer form may not be allowed. Additionally, in computing the Issuer's ordinary earnings and net capital gains for purposes of the PFIC rules, losses on dispositions of securities in bearer form may not be allowed, and any gain on such securities may be ordinary rather than capital. Further, investors should be aware that, in the event that any debt issued by the Issuer is not fully paid upon maturity, the Issuer may recognize cancellation of indebtedness income for United States federal income tax purposes, without any corresponding offsetting loss (due to tax character differences or otherwise). In such a case, U.S. Holders of any Preferred Shares may need to recognize phantom income as a result of such recognition by the Issuer (pursuant to the QEF and CFC rules discussed above), as to which an offsetting loss may not be available to the U.S. Holders.

#### Information Reporting Requirements

Information reporting to the IRS may be required with respect to payments on the Preferred Shares, and proceeds of the sale of the Preferred Shares to Holders other than corporations and certain other exempt recipients. A "backup" withholding tax may also apply to those payments if a Holder fails to provide certain identifying information (such as the Holder's taxpayer identification number or an attestation to the status of the Holder as a Non-U.S. Holder). Backup withholding is not an additional tax and may be refunded (or credited against the Holder's U.S. federal income tax liability, if any) *provided* that certain required information is furnished to the IRS in a timely manner.

Prospective investors should consult with their own tax advisors regarding whether they are required to file an IRS Form 8886 in respect of this transaction (relating to certain "reportable transactions"). Thus, for example, if a U.S. Holder were to sell its Preferred Shares at a loss, it is possible that this loss could constitute a reportable transaction, and need to be reported on Form 8886. As another example, a transaction may be reportable if it is offered under conditions of confidentiality. In this regard, each Holder and beneficial owner of the Preferred Shares (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) is hereby advised that it is permitted to disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions described herein (including the ownership and disposition of the Preferred Shares), except where confidentiality is reasonably necessary to comply with U.S. federal or state securities laws. Significant penalties apply for failure to file Form 8886 when required, and Holders and beneficial owners of the Preferred Shares are therefore urged to consult their own tax advisors.

U.S. Holders of Preferred Shares may be required to file Forms with the IRS under applicable reporting provisions of the Code. For example, under Section 6038, 6038B and/or 6046 of the Code, U.S. Holders would be required to supply the IRS with certain information regarding the U.S. Holder, other U.S. Holders and/or the Issuer if (i) such U.S. Holder owns at least 10% of the total value or 10% of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock entitled to vote or (ii) the acquisition of Preferred Shares, when aggregated with certain other acquisitions that may be treated as related under applicable regulations, exceeds \$100,000. Upon request, the Issuer will provide U.S. Holders of Preferred Shares with information available to the Issuer that may be needed by the U.S. Holder to complete any Form that is so required. In the event a U.S. Holder fails to file a form when required to do so, the U.S. Holder could be subject to substantial tax penalties.

In addition, if the Issuer participates in a reportable transaction, a U.S. Holder of Preferred Shares that is a "reporting shareholder" of the Issuer may be treated as participating in the transaction and be subject to the rules described above. Although most of the Issuer's activities generally are not expected to give rise to reportable transactions, the Issuer nevertheless may participate in certain types of transactions that could be treated as reportable transactions. A U.S. Holder of Preferred Shares will be treated as a "reporting shareholder" of the Issuer if (a) such U.S. Holder owns 10% or more of the Preferred Shares and makes a QEF election with respect to the Issuer or (b) the Issuer is treated as a CFC and such U.S. Holder is a U.S. Shareholder (as defined above) with respect to the Issuer.

#### Tax Treatment of Non-U.S. Holders of the Preferred Shares

A Non-U.S. Holder of a Preferred Share that has no connection with the United States other than holding its Preferred Shares should generally not be subject to United States withholding tax on payments in respect of a Preferred Share and also should not be subject to United States federal income tax on gains recognized in connection with the sale or other disposition of the Preferred Shares, *provided* that the non U.S. Holder makes certain tax representations regarding the identity of the beneficial owner of the Preferred Shares (and, with respect to gain recognized in connection with the sale or other disposition of Preferred Shares by a non resident alien individual, *provided* that such individual is not present in the United States for 183 days or more in the taxable year of the sale or other disposition).

#### Circular 230

Under 31 C.F.R. part 10, the regulations governing practice before the IRS (Circular 230), the Co-Issuers and their tax advisors are (or may be) required to inform prospective investors that:

- Any advice contained herein, including any opinions of counsel referred to herein, is not intended or written to be used, and cannot be used by any taxpayer, for the purpose of avoiding penalties that may be imposed on the taxpayer;
- Any such advice is written to support the promotion or marketing of the Preferred Shares and the transactions described herein (or in such opinion or other advice); and

Each taxpayer should seek advice based on the taxpayer's particular circumstances from an independent tax advisor.

#### CAYMAN ISLANDS TAXATION

The following discussion of certain Cayman Islands income tax consequences of an investment in the Preferred Shares is based on the advice of Maples and Calder as to Cayman Islands law. The discussion is a general summary of present law, which is subject to prospective and retroactive change. It

assumes that the Issuer will conduct its affairs in accordance with assumptions made by, and representations made to, counsel. It is not intended as tax advice, does not consider any investor's particular circumstances, and does not consider tax consequences other than those arising under Cayman Islands law.

Under existing Cayman Islands laws:

(i) payments on the Preferred Shares will not be subject to taxation in the Cayman Islands and no withholding will be required on such payments to any holder of a Preferred Share and gains derived from the sale of Preferred Shares will not be subject to Cayman Islands income or corporation tax. The Cayman Islands currently have no income, corporation or capital gains tax and no estate duty, inheritance tax or gift tax; and

(ii) the Preferred Shares and transfers of Preferred Shares are not subject to Cayman Islands stamp duty but an agreement to transfer Preferred Shares if executed in or brought into the Cayman Islands will be subject to nominal Cayman Islands stamp duty.

The Issuer has been incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands as an exempted limited liability company and, as such, has applied for and obtained an undertaking from the Governor in Cabinet of the Cayman Islands in the following form:

**The Tax Concessions Law  
(1999 Revision)  
Undertaking as to Tax Concessions**

In accordance with Section 6 of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision), the Governor in Cabinet undertakes with Rockwall CDO II Ltd. (the "**Company**"):

(a) that no law which is hereafter enacted in the Islands imposing any tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations will apply to the Company or its operations; and

(b) in addition, that no tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations or which is in the nature of estate duty or inheritance tax will be payable

(i) on or in respect of the shares, debentures or other obligations of the Company; or

(ii) by way of the withholding in whole or in part of any relevant payment as defined in Section 6(3) of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision).

These concessions shall be for a period of twenty years from the 2nd day of May, 2006.

The preceding discussion of certain Cayman Islands income tax consequences of an investment in the Preferred Shares is based on the advice of Maples and Calder as to Cayman Islands law. The discussion is a general summary of present law, which is subject to prospective and retroactive change. It assumes that the Issuer will conduct its affairs in accordance with assumptions made by, and representations made to, counsel. It is not intended as tax advice, does not consider any investor's particular circumstances, and does not consider tax consequences other than those arising under Cayman Islands law.

### CERTAIN ERISA CONSIDERATIONS

The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("**ERISA**"), imposes certain requirements on employee benefit plans (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) subject to Title I of ERISA and on persons who are fiduciaries (as defined in Section 3(21)(A) of ERISA) with respect to such plans, and Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code prohibit such plans, as well as individual retirement accounts and Keogh plans, subject to either or both of such statutes (each, a "**Plan**") from engaging in certain transactions with persons that are "parties in interest" under ERISA or "disqualified persons" under Section 4975 of the Code (collectively, "**Parties in Interest**") with respect to such Plans. Any person who decides to invest "plan assets" of a Plan that is subject to Title I of ERISA in the Preferred Shares should consider, among other factors, the factors discussed above under "Special Considerations" herein.

Except as set forth below and except as otherwise provided in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement with respect to the initial sale of the Preferred Shares, the Preferred Shares may not be acquired or held by any (i) employee benefit plan (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA), that is subject to Title I of ERISA; (ii) plan described in and subject to Section 4975 of the Code; (iii) entity whose underlying assets include "plan assets" by reason of a Plan's investment in the entity; or (iv) person who is otherwise a "benefit plan investor" (as defined in Section 3(42) of ERISA) (a "**Benefit Plan Investor**"), including a life insurance company general account or a governmental or foreign plan that is generally not subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code. However, Preferred Shares may be acquired and held by or on behalf of, or with "plan assets" of, a Plan or other Benefit Plan Investor if:

(a) (1)(A) The investor is purchasing the Preferred Shares with assets of an "insurance company general account" (within the meaning of United States Department of Labor Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption ("**PTCE**") 95-60) (a "**General Account**"); (B) the investor's purchase and holding of the Preferred Shares are eligible for the exemptive relief available under Section I of PTCE 95-60; (C) less than 25% of the assets of such General Account constitute "plan assets" of Benefit Plan Investors; and (D) if, after the initial acquisition of Preferred Shares, during any calendar quarter 25% or more of the assets of such General Account (as determined by such insurance company) constitute "plan assets" of any Plan or other Benefit Plan Investor and no exemption or exception from the prohibited transaction rules applies such that the continued holding of the Preferred Shares would not result in violations of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, then such investor will dispose of all of the Preferred Shares then held in such General Account by the end of the next following calendar quarter; or (2) the investor's purchase and holding of the Preferred Shares are eligible for the exemptive relief available under any of Section 408(b)(17) of ERISA or PTCE 96-23, 91-38, 90-1 or 84-14; *and*

(b) After giving effect to such purchase and all other purchases occurring simultaneously therewith, less than 25% of the Notes and of each Class of the Combination Notes and Preferred Shares (excluding the Preferred Shares held by the Servicer and its affiliates or clients) will be held by Benefit Plan Investors.

In addition, except as otherwise provided in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, if an investor (whether or not it is a Plan or any other Benefit Plan Investor) purchases a Preferred Share and if, after giving effect to such purchase, the investor (or its affiliates) will own 50% or more of the aggregate par value of the Preferred Shares, the investor should consult with its counsel regarding the effect such an investment may have on its ability (and that of its affiliates and their Plans) to purchase any Class of Notes in reliance upon any of PTCE 96-23, 95-60, 91-38, 90-1 or 84-14.

Except with respect to certain secondary market transactions through Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., as more fully described in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, by its purchase of the Preferred Shares, each purchaser and transferee will be required to represent and warrant in writing to and agree with the Issuer, the Servicer, the Paying Agent and the Trustee that (i) its purchase and holding of such Preferred Shares will satisfy the ERISA requirements with respect to the 25% limitation described above and (ii) it will not assign or transfer such Preferred Shares unless (1) the proposed assignee or transferee delivers a letter to the Issuer evidencing its agreement to the foregoing ERISA representations and covenants with respect to its purchase, holding and transfer of such Preferred Shares and (2) if the investor:

(x) is not (and is not acting on behalf of) a Benefit Plan Investor, the assignee or transferee will also not be a Benefit Plan Investor; *or*

(y) is (or is acting on behalf of) a General Account, the assignee or transferee will be accurately identified in such letter as either another General Account or a person who is not (and is not acting on behalf of) a Benefit Plan Investor; *or*

(z) is (or is acting on behalf of or with "plan assets" of) a Benefit Plan Investor (other than a General Account), the assignee or transferee will be accurately identified in such letter as either a General Account, another Benefit Plan Investor or a person who is not (and is not acting on behalf of) any Benefit Plan Investor.

#### USE OF PROCEEDS

The net proceeds from the sale of the Preferred Shares, together with the net proceeds from the sale of the Notes, will be applied by the Issuer in the manner described in the Note Offering Circular.

#### PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

The Issuer proposes to offer the Preferred Shares to prospective purchasers from time to time in individually negotiated transactions at varying prices to be determined in each case at the time of sale. On the Closing Date, it is expected that HFP or an affiliate or subsidiary thereof will purchase 44,000,000 Class II Preferred Shares of the Issuer on the Closing Date at negotiated prices. In addition, the Servicer, clients of the Servicer, entities identified by the Servicer and other entities identified by such entities, are expected to acquire 13,450,000 of the Class I Preferred Shares on the Closing Date at negotiated prices. See "Special Considerations—Potential Conflicts of Interest" in the Note Offering Circular. The Issuer may offer or sell Preferred Shares to purchasers at negotiated prices, which may vary among different purchasers of Preferred Shares. The Preferred Shares are offered when, as and if issued by the Issuer, subject to prior sale or withdrawal, cancellation or modification of the offer without notice and subject to approval of certain legal matters by counsel and certain other conditions. It is expected that delivery of the Preferred Shares will be made on or about the Closing Date, against payment in immediately available funds.

The Preferred Shares have not been registered under the Securities Act and may not be offered or sold within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, United States persons except to (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers in reliance on Rule 144A under the Securities Act and (ii) other persons or entities pursuant to other valid exemptions from the registration requirements of the Securities Act and the Investment Company Act.

Without limiting the foregoing, no transfer of Preferred Shares may be made except to a Non-U.S. Person in compliance with Regulation S who is also a Qualified Institutional Buyer or to a Qualified Purchaser (or Knowledgeable Employee) or if such transfer would require the Issuer to become subject to the registration requirements of the Investment Company Act.

The Issuer represents and agrees that it (i) has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated any invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of section 21 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 ("FSMA")) received by them in connection with the issue or sale of any offered securities in circumstances in which section 21(1) of the FSMA does not apply to the Issuer and (ii) have complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA with respect to anything done by them in relation to the Preferred Shares in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom.

No invitation may be made to the public in the Cayman Islands to subscribe for the Preferred Shares.

Purchasers of Preferred Shares sold outside the United States may be required to pay stamp taxes and other charges in accordance with the laws and practices of the country of purchase in addition to the price charged to investors for the Preferred Shares.

The Preferred Shares are new securities for which there currently is no market. Accordingly, no assurance can be given as to the development or liquidity of any market for the Preferred Shares.

#### CERTAIN LEGAL MATTERS

Certain legal matters, including certain matters relating to certain United States federal income tax consequences of the ownership of the Preferred Shares, will be passed upon for the Issuer by Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, New York, New York. Certain legal matters relating to the Preferred Shares, including matters relating to the laws of the Cayman Islands will be passed on for the Issuer by Maples and Calder. As to all matters of Cayman Islands law, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP will rely on the opinions of Maples and Calder.

**EXHIBIT A**

NOTE OFFERING CIRCULAR

Please see Tab # 4.



## **EXHIBIT CCC**

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**ROCKWALL CDO II LTD.,**  
**Issuer**

**ROCKWALL CDO II (DELAWARE) CORP.,**  
**Co-Issuer**

**and**

**INVESTORS BANK & TRUST COMPANY,**  
**as Trustee and as Securities Intermediary**

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**INDENTURE**

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**Dated as of May 9, 2007**

INDENTURE, dated as of May 9, 2007, among ROCKWALL CDO II LTD., an exempted limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the "Company") and, together with its permitted successors and assigns, the "Issuer"), ROCKWALL CDO II (DELAWARE) CORP., a Delaware corporation (the "Co-Issuer" and, together with the Issuer, the "Co-Issuers") and INVESTORS BANK & TRUST COMPANY, as trustee (together with its permitted successors in the trusts hereunder, the "Trustee") and as Securities Intermediary.

### PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

The Co-Issuers are duly authorized to execute and deliver this Indenture to provide for the Notes (other than the Class B-2L Notes and the Combination Notes) issuable as provided in this Indenture. The Issuer is also duly authorized to execute and deliver this Indenture to provide for the Class B-2L Notes and the Combination Notes issuable as provided in this Indenture. All representations, warranties, covenants and agreements made by the Co-Issuers herein are for the benefit and security of the Noteholders and the Trustee. The Co-Issuers are entering into this Indenture, and the Trustee is accepting the trusts created hereby, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged.

It is a condition of issuance of the Notes that the Class A-1LA Notes be rated "AAA" by Standard & Poor's and "Aaa" by Moody's, the Class A-1LB Notes be rated "AAA" by Standard & Poor's and "Aaa" by Moody's, the Class A-2L Notes be rated at least "AA" by Standard & Poor's and at least "Aa2" by Moody's, the Class A-3L Notes be rated at least "A" by Standard & Poor's and at least "A2" by Moody's, the Class B-1L Notes be rated at least "BBB" by Standard & Poor's and at least "Baa2" by Moody's, the Class B-2L Notes be rated at least "BB" by Standard & Poor's and at least "Ba2" by Moody's and the Combination Notes be rated at least "Baa2" by Moody's with respect to the Rated Balance and the Rated Coupon of the Combination Notes. With respect to the Notes, such ratings by Standard & Poor's address solely the likelihood of the timely payment of the Periodic Interest Amount (which consists of interest accrued on the Aggregate Principal Amount of each applicable Class of Notes at the Applicable Periodic Rate) and the ultimate payment of the Aggregate Principal Amount in the case of the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes and the Class A-2L Notes, and the ultimate payment of the Cumulative Interest Amount and the Aggregate Principal Amount in the case of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes and the Class B-2L Notes. Such ratings by Moody's address the ultimate cash receipt of all required payments as provided by the governing documents, and are based on the expected loss to the Noteholders of each Class relative to the promise of receiving the present value of such payments. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the obligation to make any Extension Bonus Payment will not be rated by the Rating Agencies.

All things necessary to make this Indenture a valid agreement of the Co-Issuers in accordance with its terms have been done.

### GRANTING CLAUSES

The Issuer hereby Grants to the Trustee, for the benefit and security of the Holders of the Notes (including the Combination Notes), the Trustee, the Paying and Transfer

Agent, the Default Swap Counterparties, each Hedge Counterparty, the Servicer, the Collateral Administrator and the Securities Intermediary (collectively, the "Secured Parties"), all of its right, title and interest, whether now owned or hereafter acquired, in, to and under the following: (a) the Initial Portfolio Collateral listed in Schedule A to this Indenture, all payments thereon or with respect thereto, all Portfolio Collateral (including all Original Portfolio Collateral, all Additional Portfolio Collateral and all Substitute Portfolio Collateral, whether or not any of the same may become at any time or times Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, Equity Portfolio Collateral or Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral) and all payments thereon or with respect thereto, (b) any Hedge Agreement and the Issuer's rights, remedies, powers, privileges and claims with respect to such Hedge Agreement as more fully described in Article XV herein, (c) the Servicing Agreement and the Issuer's rights, remedies, powers, privileges and claims under or with respect to the Servicing Agreement as set forth in Article XIV hereof, (c) the Collection Account, the Collateral Account, the Reserve Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Expense Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account, each Default Swap Collateral Account, each Default Swap Issuer Account, each Securities Lending Account, and all investment property, money, instruments and other property credited to or on deposit in such Accounts including, without limitation, the Eligible Investments, (d) all Securities Lending Agreements, all Default Swaps, all Synthetic Securities, the Default Swap Collateral, the Securities Lending Collateral, the trust accounts described Section 4.2 and in Section 11.4 , and all money, instruments, investment property, and other property on deposit therein or credited thereto, (e) all accounts, general intangibles, chattel paper, instruments, documents, money, deposit accounts, goods, letters of credit, letter-of-credit rights, oil, gas, and other minerals, and investment property, consisting of, arising from, or relating to any of the foregoing, (f) all other assets of the Issuer, including all accounts, chattel paper, deposit accounts, documents, general intangibles, goods, instruments, investment property, letter-of-credit rights, letters of credit, money, and oil, gas, and other minerals (other than the Preferred Shares Collection Account and all funds deposited therein or credited thereto, the Issuer's share capital on account of its ordinary issued shares and any transaction fee for issuing the Notes and the Preferred Shares, each held in its account in the Cayman Islands and any interest thereon) and all other property delivered to the Trustee (g) all proceeds, profits, rents, products, earnings, interest, dividends (whether in the form of cash, securities, instruments or other property) and distributions (whether of rights, options, stock, warrants, securities or other property) of or with respect to any of the foregoing, and (h) all proceeds of the foregoing; *provided* that such Grant shall not extend to any property, cash or other amounts specifically released from the lien of this Indenture or otherwise paid to the Issuer in accordance with the terms hereof; *and provided further that* the rights of each Default Swap Counterparty as a Secured Party shall be limited to only the related Default Swap Collateral, the related Default Swap Collateral Account, and the property credited thereto. The collateral described in the preceding sentence is referred to as the "Trust Estate." Such Grant is made, however, in trust, to secure the Notes (including the Combination Notes, but only to the extent of the Note Component) equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction, except as expressly provided in this Indenture, between any Note or Combination Notes and any other Note or Combination Note by reason of difference in time of issuance or otherwise, and to secure in accordance with the priorities set forth in this Indenture (i) the payment of all amounts due on the Notes (including the Combination Notes, but only to the extent of the Note Component) in accordance with their terms, (ii) the payment of all other sums payable under this Indenture and

all amounts payable to the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and to each Hedge Counterparty under the Hedge Agreements, and (iii) compliance with the provisions of this Indenture, each Hedge Agreement and the Servicing Agreement, all as provided in this Indenture.

The Trustee acknowledges such Grant, accepts the trusts hereunder and agrees to perform the duties herein in accordance with the provisions hereof.

## ARTICLE I

### DEFINITIONS

#### Section 1.1. Definitions

Except as otherwise specified herein or as the context may otherwise require, the following terms have the respective meanings set forth below for all purposes of this Indenture, and the definitions of such terms are equally applicable both to the singular and plural forms of such terms and, where applicable, to the masculine, feminine and neuter genders of such terms. Whenever any reference is made to an amount the determination of which is governed by Section 1.3 hereof, the provisions of Section 1.3 hereof shall be applicable to such determination or calculation, whether or not reference is specifically made to Section 1.3 hereof, unless some other method of calculation or determination is expressly specified in the particular provisions.

Unless the Combination Notes are explicitly addressed in the same context, references herein to Class B-1L Notes or Class I Preferred Shares shall include a reference to the Note Component and the Preferred Share Component, respectively, of the Combination Notes and references to the rights and obligations of the Holders of the Class B-1L Notes and the Class I Preferred Shares (including with respect to any payments, distributions or redemptions, as applicable, on or of the Class B-1L Notes or the Class I Preferred Shares or votes, notices or consents to be given by such Holders) include the rights and obligations of the Holders of the Combination Notes to the extent of the Note Component and Preferred Share Component, respectively. Unless the Combination Noteholders are explicitly addressed in the same context, references herein to Noteholders or Holders of Preferred Shares shall include a reference to the Combination Noteholders to the extent of the Note Component and Preferred Share Component, as applicable. Unless the Combination Noteholders are explicitly addressed in the same context, Combination Noteholders shall be entitled to participate in any vote or consent of, or any direction or objection by, the Noteholders, the Holders of the Class B-1L Notes or the Holders of the Class I Preferred Shares to the extent of the Note Component and Preferred Share Component, as applicable.

"Account Income": Any interest or other earnings on funds in the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account or the Expense Reimbursement Account.

"Accounts": The meaning specified in Section 10.2 hereof.

"Accrued Interest on Sale": Interest accrued on an item of Portfolio Collateral at the time of sale or other disposition to the extent paid to the Issuer as part of the sale or other

disposition price of such item of Portfolio Collateral after deducting amounts representing Purchased Accrued Interest on such item of Portfolio Collateral.

"Accountants' Certificate": A certificate of a firm of Independent certified public accountants of national reputation in the United States of America appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.6(a) hereof.

"Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement": With respect to each Payment Date after the second Payment Date, the amount necessary such that (a) the sum of: (i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date, plus (ii) the sum of the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Collection Account representing Collateral Principal Collections *plus* the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Initial Deposit Account *plus* unpaid Purchased Accrued Interest as of such date, less (iii) the Overcollateralization Haircut Amount (if any), equals or exceeds: (b) 104.63% of the amount necessary, after giving effect to the amount applied to any O/C Redemption of the Notes to satisfy the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test (if applicable) on such Payment Date, to repay the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes, including any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement is a positive number that is more than the amount available therefore in the priority of distributions set forth in Section 11.1, then the amount distributed with respect to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirements shall be such lesser amount available.

For purposes of the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement, no item of Equity Portfolio Collateral shall be included as Portfolio Collateral. In addition for purposes of this requirement, (i) with respect to Defaulted Portfolio Collateral as to which there has occurred a payment default or an event of bankruptcy, only the portion equal to the lesser of (a) the Market Value of such item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and (b) the Applicable Percentage multiplied by the Principal Balance of such item of Portfolio Collateral, shall be included as Portfolio Collateral and (ii) with respect to items of Discount Portfolio Collateral, only an amount equal to the original purchase price of such item of Discount Portfolio Collateral shall be included as Portfolio Collateral. For purposes of calculating the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement, to the extent an item of Portfolio Collateral is considered Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, Discount Portfolio Collateral and/or is included in the Overcollateralization Haircut Amount, such item of Portfolio Collateral will not be discounted multiple times, but will be treated in the category that results in the largest discount to the par amount of the Portfolio Collateral.

"Additional Fee Amount": With respect to each Due Period, an amount equal to 0.25% per annum of the Quarterly Collateral Amount, calculated on the basis of a 360-day year and the actual number of days elapsed.

"Additional Issuance": The issuance and sale of Additional Preferred Shares by the Issuer at any time during the Revolving Period, the proceeds of which (net of any fees and expenses incurred in connection with the issuance thereof, including, without limitation, compensation payable to any Initial Purchasers or any placement agent for any services provided in connection therewith) are used to purchase additional eligible Portfolio Collateral (which may

include eligible Portfolio Collateral purchased from any Servicer Entity on an arms-length transaction basis); *provided* that (a) such Additional Issuance will be for an Additional Issuance Percentage; (b) such Additional Preferred Shares must be issued for a cash sales price (the net sale proceeds to be used to purchase eligible Portfolio Collateral (or, pending such application, deposited into the Collection Account and held in Eligible Investments)); (c) the terms (other than the date of issuance, the issue price, the date from which dividends will accrue and similar matters) of such Preferred Shares must be identical to the terms of the applicable Class of Preferred Shares; (d) the Holders of Preferred Shares must be notified in writing 30 days prior to such issuance; (e) the Servicer must consent to such Additional Issuance; and (f) Bear Stearns must be notified in writing at least 30 days prior to such issuance.

"Additional Issuance Percentage": With respect to any Additional Issuance, a percentage specified by the Servicer of the original issue price of the Preferred Shares issued and Outstanding on the date of such Additional Issuance.

"Additional Portfolio Collateral": Any and all items of Portfolio Collateral which are purchased pursuant to Section 11.3 hereof with Collections (other than Collateral Disposition Proceeds).

"Additional Preferred Shares": Any additional Preferred Shares issued after the Closing Date in accordance with the applicable terms hereof and the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement.

"Additional Servicing Fee": For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the sum of (a) product of (i) the Additional Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (ii) the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date plus (b) on any Payment Date that any part of the Base Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, interest on such unpaid amount in an amount equal to the product of (i) LIBOR for the applicable period plus 3.0% per annum and (ii) the actual number of days in such Due Period, divided by 360 plus (c) on any Payment Date that any part of the Additional Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, such unpaid Additional Servicing Fee and interest on such unpaid amount in an amount equal to the product of (i) LIBOR for the applicable period plus 3.0% per annum and (ii) the actual number of days in such Due Period divided by 360; *provided* that in the event that the Servicer is removed or resigns, the amount of such fee accrued to the effective date of such removal or resignation will be payable to the Servicer on the next succeeding Payment Date or Payment Dates on which such amount may be paid, in accordance with Section 11.1 (*provided* that the payment of any fee payable pursuant to this proviso will be *pari passu* with the payment of any servicing fees to the then-current servicer).

"Adjusted Collateral Collections": With respect to any Payment Date, the sum of (i) the Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections collected during the applicable Due Period, (ii) the Adjusted Collateral Principal Collections collected during the applicable Due Period and (iii) the available funds in the Expense Reimbursement Account, as each is determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date.

"Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections": With respect to any Payment Date, the Collateral Interest Collections collected during the applicable Due Period, as determined as of

the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date, *plus* any amounts received from any Hedge Counterparty pursuant to the related Hedge Agreement, *less* the sum of (i) the amount of the Collateral Interest Collections paid to the Trustee and the Paying and Transfer Agent pursuant to Section 11.1(b) hereof with respect to such Payment Date, (ii) the amount of the Collateral Interest Collections paid to the Issuer or deposited in the Expense Reimbursement Account pursuant to Section 11.1(b) hereof with respect to such Payment Date, (iii) the amount of the Collateral Interest Collections paid to the Servicer and the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares pursuant to Section 11.1(b) hereof with respect to such Payment Date and (iv) during any time prior to the Final Maturity Date, any Collateral Interest Collections attributable to the Collateral Purchase Amount held in the Collection Account pending application to purchase Portfolio Collateral.

"Adjusted Collateral Principal Collections": With respect to any Payment Date, the Collateral Principal Collections collected during the applicable Due Period, as determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date, *less* the sum of (i) the amount of the Collateral Principal Collections paid to the Trustee and the Paying and Transfer Agent pursuant to Section 11.1(b) hereof with respect to such Payment Date, (ii) the amount of Collateral Principal Collections paid to the Issuer or deposited in the Expense Reimbursement Account pursuant to Section 11.1(b) hereof with respect to such Payment Date, (iii) the amount of Collateral Principal Collections paid to the Servicer and the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares pursuant to Section 11.1(b) hereof with respect to such Payment Date, (iv) any Collateral Disposition Proceeds released from the Collection Account for the purchase of Portfolio Collateral during the applicable Due Period pursuant to Section 10.2(e) hereof, and (v) during any time prior to the Final Maturity Date, any amount attributable to the Collateral Purchase Amount held in the Collection Account pending application to purchase Portfolio Collateral.

"Administration Agreement": The Administration Agreement, dated as of May 9, 2007, between the Issuer and the Administrator.

"Administrator": Maples Finance Limited, or any successor thereto appointed by the Issuer.

"Affiliate": With respect to any specified Person, any other Person controlling or controlled by or under common control with such specified Person. For the purposes of this definition, "control," when used with respect to any specified Person, means the power to direct the management and policies of such Person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise; and the terms "controlling" and "controlled" have meanings correlative to the foregoing; *provided* that (for the avoidance of doubt) the only Affiliate of the Issuer shall be the Co-Issuer and the only Affiliate of the Co-Issuer shall be the Issuer.

"Aggregate Base Fees and Expenses": For any Payment Date, the total aggregate amount of fees and expenses payable pursuant to Section 11.1(b).

"Aggregate Par Amount": With respect to any date of determination, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate, including cash and



Eligible Investments representing Collateral Principal Collections on deposit in the Collection Account and the Initial Deposit Account.

"Aggregate Principal Amount": With respect to any date of determination, when used with respect to the Portfolio Collateral, the aggregate Principal Balances of such items of Portfolio Collateral on such date of determination. With respect to any date of determination, when used with respect to any Eligible Investments, the Balance of such Eligible Investments on such date of determination. When used with respect to any Note or Class of Notes, as of any date of determination, the original principal amount of such Note or Class of Notes, as applicable, reduced by all prior payments, if any, made with respect to principal of such Note. When used with respect to the Notes in the aggregate, the sum of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of the Outstanding Notes. When used with respect to the Combination Note, as of any date of determination, the original principal amount of the Note Component reduced by all prior payments, if any, made with respect to principal of the Note Component plus the original Notional Amount of the Preferred Share Component, reduced by any payments that reduce the Notional Amount of the Preferred Share Component.

"Ambac": Ambac Assurance Corporation.

"Amendment Buy-Out": The purchase of all Notes and Preferred Shares of Non-Consenting Holders by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser pursuant to the exercise of the Amendment Buy-Out Option.

"Amendment Buy-Out Option": As defined in Section 9.4(b).

"Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price": The price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Notes or Preferred Shares purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out in an amount equal to (i) in the case of Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the date of purchase payable to the Non-Consenting Holder (giving effect to all amounts paid to such Holder on such date) and plus any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment, and (ii) in the case of the Preferred Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preferred Shares since the Closing Date (and any amounts payable, if any to such Holder on the next succeeding Payment Date) would cause such Preferred Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) an Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such date was a Payment Date); *provided* that, after the date on which any Holder of Preferred Shares has received an Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price for such Preferred Shares shall be equal to zero.

"Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser": The Servicer (or any of its affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Notes or Preferred Shares from Holders pursuant to the Amendment Buy-Out, "Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchasers or any of their affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; *provided, however*, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers or any of their respective affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

"Amortization Period": The period beginning on the day following the end of the Revolving Period and ending on the Payment Date upon which the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes is paid in full.

"Applicable Percentage": The lesser of the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate and the S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to such item of Portfolio Collateral as specified in the tables below and in Schedule C hereto:

<u>Moody's Priority Category*</u>	<u>Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate</u>
Senior Secured Loans:	
+2 or more Rating Subcategories Difference	60%
+1 Rating Subcategories Difference	50%
0 Rating Subcategories Difference	45%
-1 Rating Subcategories Difference	40%
-2 Rating Subcategories Difference	30%
-3 or less Rating Subcategories Difference	20%
DIP Loan (senior secured)	50%
Non-Senior Secured Loans:	
+2 or more Rating Subcategories Difference	45%
+1 Rating Subcategories Difference	42.5%
0 Rating Subcategories Difference	40%
-1 Rating Subcategories Difference	30%
-2 Rating Subcategories Difference	15%
-3 or less Rating Subcategories Difference	10%
Debt Securities	
+2 or more Rating Subcategories Difference	40%
+1 Rating Subcategories Difference	35%
0 Rating Subcategories Difference	30%
-1 Rating Subcategories Difference	15%
-2 Rating Subcategories Difference	10%
-3 or less Rating Subcategories Difference	2%

<u>Moody's Priority Category*</u>	<u>Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate</u>					
Synthetic Securities	In the case of (i) any Synthetic Security under clause (A) or clause (B) of the definition thereof, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" referred to in this clause for the related Reference Obligation (or deliverable obligation to the extent such deliverable obligation is not the Reference Obligation), (ii) any Synthetic Security under clause (C) of the definition thereof, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to such Synthetic Security at the time of acquisition of such Synthetic Security, and (iii) any Synthetic Security which has the ability to vary the nature of the deliverable obligation from the time of the initial acquisition, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to such Synthetic Security at such time.					
CLO Securities:						
Percentage of Total Capitalization	<u>Moody's Default Probability Rating</u>					
	Aaa	Aa	A	Baa	Ba	B
Greater than 70%	85.0%	80.0%	65.0%	55.0%	45.0%	30.0%
Less than or equal to 70%, but greater than 10%	75.0%	70.0%	60.0%	50.0%	40.0%	25.0%
Less than or equal to 10%, but greater than 5%	65.0%	55.0%	50.0%	40.0%	30.0%	20.0%
Less than or equal to 5%, but greater than 2%	55.0%	45.0%	40.0%	35.0%	25.0%	10.0%
Less than or equal to 2%	45.0%	35.0%	30.0%	25.0%	10.0%	5.0%

\* For purposes of the Moody's Priority Category, the classification of a Portfolio Loan shall be determined as of each date of determination.

<u>S&amp;P Priority Category</u>	<u>S&amp;P Priority Category Recovery Rate</u>
S&P Senior Secured Portfolio Loans	As determined in accordance with Schedule C
Senior unsecured Portfolio Loans or S&P Second Lien Loans	As determined in accordance with Schedule C
Senior secured Debt Securities	As determined in accordance with Schedule C
Senior unsecured Debt Securities	As determined in accordance with Schedule C
Subordinated Debt Securities	As determined in accordance with Schedule C
Subordinated Portfolio Loans	As determined in accordance with Schedule C
DIP Loan*	As otherwise determined on a case-by-case basis by S&P.
Synthetic Securities	In the case of (i) any Synthetic Security under clause (A) or clause (B) of the definition thereof, the "S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate" referred to in this clause for the related Reference Obligation and (ii) any Synthetic Security under clause (C) of the definition thereof, the "S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Standard & Poor's to such Synthetic Security at the time of acquisition of such Synthetic Security.
Structured Finance Investments	As determined in accordance with Schedule C

\* DIP Loans shall be treated as S&P Senior Secured Portfolio Loans for purposes of determining the S&P Priority Category Recovery Rates therefor unless the Servicer requests an alternate determination of the S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate for a DIP Loan from S&P.

"Applicable Periodic Rate": With respect to the Class A-1LA Notes and for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period, a *per annum* rate equal to 0.25% above LIBOR for such Periodic Interest Accrual Period. With respect to the Class A-1LB Notes and for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period, a *per annum* rate equal to 0.55% above LIBOR for such Periodic Interest Accrual Period. With respect to the Class A-2L Notes and for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period, a *per annum* rate equal to 0.70% above LIBOR for such Periodic Interest Accrual Period. With respect to the Class A-3L Notes and for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period, a *per annum* rate equal to 1.00% above LIBOR for such Periodic Interest Accrual Period. With respect to the Class B-1L Notes and for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period, a *per annum* rate equal to 2.25% above LIBOR for such Periodic Interest Accrual Period. With respect to the Class B-2L Notes and for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period, a *per annum* rate equal to 4.25% above LIBOR for such Periodic Interest Accrual Period.

"Applicable Procedures": The meaning specified in Section 2.5(b) hereof.

"Approved Pricing Service": Any pricing service (including any of its successors and assigns) listed as an Approved Pricing Service in Schedule J or otherwise disclosed in writing by the Issuer to the Trustee and the Holders of the Notes and the Combination Notes, and not objected to by the Requisite Noteholders within 15 days of such disclosure, *provided* that the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to any pricing service not included on Schedule J.

"Ask-Side Market Value": As of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any lent item of Portfolio Collateral based upon the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the higher of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the ask-side prices for the purchase of such item of Portfolio Collateral determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer); *provided* that if the Ask-Side Market Value of any lent item of Portfolio Collateral cannot be so determined then such item of Portfolio Collateral shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the outstanding principal balance thereof.

"Assumed Interest Rate": A rate equal to LIBOR as of the most recent LIBOR Determination Date minus 0.25%, but not less than zero.

"Authenticating Agent": An agent of the Trustee appointed by the Trustee pursuant to Section 2.4 to authenticate the Notes and the Combination Notes.

"Authorized Officer": With respect to either of the Co-Issuers, any chairman, deputy chairman, president, vice president, managing director, secretary, director, treasurer or other officer thereof or any chairman, deputy chairman, president, vice president, secretary, director, treasurer or other officer of any duly appointed agent thereof who is authorized to act for the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, in matters relating to, and binding upon, such Issuer or the Co-Issuer. With respect to the Servicer, any member, manager, officer, employee or agent of the Servicer, as applicable, who is authorized to act for the Servicer, in matters relating to, and binding upon, the Servicer, with respect to the subject matter of the request, certificate or order in question. With respect to the Trustee or any other bank or trust company acting as trustee of any express trust or as custodian, a Responsible Officer. Each party may receive and accept a certification of the authority of any other party as conclusive evidence of the authority of any person to act, and such certification may be considered as in full force and effect until receipt by such other party of written notice to the contrary.

"Balance": On any date, with respect to cash or Eligible Investments in the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account or the Expense Reimbursement Account, the aggregate (i) face amount or current balance, as the case may be, of cash, demand deposits, time deposits, certificates of deposit, bankers' acceptances, federal funds and commercial bank money market accounts; (ii) outstanding principal amount of interest-

bearing government and corporate securities; and (iii) purchase price of non-interest-bearing government and corporate securities, commercial paper and repurchase obligations.

"Bankruptcy Code": Title 11 of the United States Code (11 U.S.C. §§ 101 et seq.), as amended, and any successor statute and/or any bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or similar law enacted under the laws of the Cayman Islands.

"Base Fee Amount": With respect to each Due Period, an amount equal to 0.30% per annum of the Quarterly Collateral Amount, calculated on the basis of a 360-day year and the actual number of days elapsed.

"Base Servicing Fee": For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Base Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (b) the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date; *provided* that in the event that the Servicer is removed or resigns, the amount of such fee accrued to the effective date of such removal or resignation will be payable to the Servicer on the next succeeding Payment Date or Payment Dates on which such amount may be paid, in accordance with the priority of payments set forth in Section 11.1 (*provided* that the payment of any fee payable pursuant to this proviso will be *pari passu* with the payment of any servicing fees to the then-current servicer).

"B Rating Category": With respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral, such item of Portfolio Collateral having an S&P Rating of "B+", "B" or "B-" or a Moody's Rating of "B1", "B2" or "B3".

"BB Rating Category": With respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral, such item of Portfolio Collateral, having an S&P Rating of "BB+", "BB" or "BB-" or a Moody's Rating of "Ba1", "Ba2" or "Ba3".

"Bear Stearns": Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., a Delaware corporation.

"Beneficial Owners": The meaning specified in the Investment Company Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

"Business Day": Any day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or other day on which commercial banking institutions in the City of New York, the State of New York, or in the city in which the Corporate Trust Office is located, or, to the extent action is required of a Paying Agent or the Paying and Transfer Agent, including the Trustee, in the city of the place of payment, are authorized or obligated by law or executive order to be closed. To the extent action is required of the Irish Paying Agent, Dublin, Ireland shall be considered in determining "Business Day" for purposes of determining when such Irish Paying Agent action is required.

"Calculation Agent": The meaning specified in Section 2.11(a) hereof.

"Calculation Date": The last day of each Due Period.

"Cantor": Cantor Fitzgerald & Co.

"Cap Agreement": The cap agreement entered into by the Issuer and the Cap Provider for the benefit of the Notes having a notional amount on each Payment Date equal to the Cap Notional Amount and providing for the payment by the Cap Provider to the Issuer on each such Payment Date of the Cap Payment, if any, with respect to such Payment Date, as amended or supplemented in accordance with the terms thereof.

"Cap Notional Amount": The notional amount of the Cap Agreement, which, with regard to each Payment Date commencing with the November 2007 Payment Date and ending with the August 2009 Payment Date, shall be as set forth in Schedule K hereto for the related Payment Date, and, with regard to all other Payment Dates, shall be an amount equal to zero.

"Cap Payment": The amount, if any, payable to the Issuer by the Cap Provider under the Cap Agreement on any Payment Date, being an amount equal to interest on the Cap Notional Amount at a per annum rate equal to the excess, if any, of LIBOR with respect to the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period over the Cap Strike Rate, calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed.

"Cap Provider": The counterparty to the Issuer under the Cap Agreement, initially Bear Stearns Capital Markets Inc.

"Cap Strike Rate": 6% per annum.

"Cap Termination Amount": Any lump sum amount payable by the Issuer to the Cap Provider in connection with an "Event of Default" or a "Termination Event" under the Cap Agreement (as such terms are defined under the Cap Agreement), which lump sum amount is based upon, among other things, the notional amount of the Cap Agreement.

"CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral": Portfolio Collateral (excluding Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) that has a Moody's Rating below "B3" or an S&P Rating below "B-".

"CCC Rating Category": An item of Portfolio Collateral having a S&P Rating of "CCC+", "CCC" or "CCC-" or a Moody's Rating of "Caa1", "Caa2" or "Caa3".

"CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount": With respect to the Class A-1LA Noteholder in connection with an Optional Redemption, (i) on any Payment Date after the August 2010 Payment Date, an amount equal to the present value (calculated at LIBOR) of each of the remaining scheduled payments of interest up to (and including) the August 2011 Payment Date, calculated by multiplying, for each such remaining scheduled Payment Date, (a) the Applicable Periodic Rate for such Payment Date with respect to the Class A-1LA Notes net of LIBOR and (b) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Class A-1LA Notes as of the Optional Redemption Date, and (ii) on or after the August 2011 Payment Date, zero.

"Class": Any of the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes, the Class B-2L Notes and the Combination Notes.

"Class A Notes": The Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes and the Class A-3L Notes.

"Class A Overcollateralization Percentage": 107.0% (for purposes of the Class A Overcollateralization Test).

"Class A Overcollateralization Ratio": As of any date of determination, the ratio (expressed as a percentage) obtained by dividing (a) the sum of (1) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate as of such date, calculated in accordance with the Overcollateralization Ratio Adjustment, plus (2) the sum of the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Collection Account, representing Collateral Principal Collections plus the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Initial Deposit Account plus unpaid Purchased Accrued Interest, each as of such date by (b) the sum of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes (including for this purpose any unpaid Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts with respect to such Classes of Notes not paid when due, until such amounts, if any, are paid in full) as of such date.

"Class A Overcollateralization Test": A test that will be satisfied on any date of determination if the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class A Overcollateralization Percentage.

"Class A-1L Notes": The Class A-1LA Notes and the Class A-1LB Notes.

"Class A-1LA Notes": The U.S. \$635,000,000 Class A-1LA Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2024 issued hereunder by the Co-Issuers and having the terms described herein.

"Class A-1LB Notes": The U.S. \$115,000,000 Class A-1LB Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2024 issued hereunder by the Co-Issuers and having the terms described herein

"Class A-2L Notes": The U.S. \$76,000,000 Class A-2L Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2024 issued hereunder by the Co-Issuers and having the terms described herein.

"Class A-3L Notes": The U.S. \$48,000,000 Class A-3L Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2024 issued hereunder by the Co-Issuers and having the terms described herein.

"Class B Notes": The Class B-1L Notes and the Class B-2L Notes.

"Class B-1L Notes": The U.S. \$36,000,000 Class B-1L Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2024 issued hereunder by the Co-Issuers and having the terms described herein.

"Class B-1L Overcollateralization Percentage": 106.0% (for purposes of the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test).

"Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio": As of any date of determination, the ratio (expressed as a percentage) obtained by dividing (a) the sum of (1) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate as of such date, calculated in accordance



with the Overcollateralization Ratio Adjustment, plus (2) the sum of the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Collection Account, representing Collateral Principal Collections plus the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Initial Deposit Account plus unpaid Purchased Accrued Interest, each as of such date by (b) the sum of the Aggregate Principal Amounts of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes (including for this purpose any unpaid Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts with respect to such Classes of Notes not paid when due, until such amounts, if any, are paid in full) as of such date.

"Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test": A test that will be satisfied as of any date of determination if the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Percentage.

"Class B-2L Notes": The U.S. \$26,000,000 Class B-2L Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2024 issued hereunder by the Co-Issuers and having the terms described herein.

"Class B-2L Overcollateralization Percentage": 103.63% (for purposes of the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test).

"Class B-2L Overcollateralization Ratio": As of any date of determination, the ratio (expressed as a percentage) obtained by dividing (a) the sum of (1) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate as of such date, calculated in accordance with the Overcollateralization Ratio Adjustment less the Overcollateralization Haircut Amount, if any, plus (2) the sum of the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Collection Account, representing Collateral Principal Collections plus the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Initial Deposit Account plus unpaid Purchased Accrued Interest, each as of such date by (b) the sum of the Aggregate Principal Amounts of the Class A Notes, the Class B-1L Notes and the Class B-2L Notes (including for this purpose any unpaid Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts with respect to such Classes of Notes not paid when due, until such amounts, if any, are paid in full) as of such date.

If an item of Portfolio Collateral is both eligible to be included in the Overcollateralization Haircut Amount and is subject to an Overcollateralization Ratio Adjustment, for purposes of calculating the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Ratio, such item of Portfolio Collateral will not be discounted multiple times, but will be treated in the category that results in the largest discount to the par amount of such item of Portfolio Collateral.

"Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test": A test that will be satisfied as of any date of determination if the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Percentage.

"Class I Preferred Shares": The Class I Preferred Shares, par value \$0.001 per share, issued by the Issuer; *provided* that any transfer of Class I Preferred Shares to HFP from any third party shall require the exchange and conversion of such Class I Preferred Shares into Class II Preferred Shares.

"Class II Preferred Share Dividend": Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend, Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend and Class II Preferred Share Supplemental Dividend.

"Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend": For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the sum of (a) the product of (i) the Additional Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (ii) the Class II Preferred Share Portion for such Payment Date plus (b) on any Payment Date that any part of the Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, interest on such unpaid amount in an amount equal to the product of (i) LIBOR for the applicable period and (ii) the actual number of days in such Due Period, divided by 360 plus (c) on any Payment Date that any part of the Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, such unpaid Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend and interest thereon in an amount equal to the product of (i) LIBOR for the applicable period and (ii) the actual number of days in such Due Period divided by 360.

"Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend": For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Base Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preferred Share Portion for such Payment Date.

"Class II Preferred Share Supplemental Dividend": For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Supplemental Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preferred Share Portion for such Payment Date.

"Class II Preferred Share Percentage": For any Payment Date, a fraction, expressed as a percentage, the numerator of which is the number of Outstanding Class II Preferred Shares on the Calculation Date related to such Payment Date and the denominator of which is the total number of Outstanding Preferred Shares on such Calculation Date.

"Class II Preferred Share Portion": For any Payment Date, 100% minus the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date.

"Class II Preferred Shares": The Class II Preferred Shares, par value \$0.001 per share, issued by the Issuer and held by HFP; *provided* that any transfer of Class II Preferred Shares by HFP to any third party shall require the exchange and conversion of such shares into Class I Preferred Shares.

"Clearance System": The Euroclear System or Clearstream or both.

"Clearstream": Clearstream Banking, *société anonyme*.

"CLO Security": A U.S. dollar-denominated collateralized loan obligation or a similar obligation that entitles the holders thereof to receive payments that depend (except for rights or other assets designed to assure the servicing or timely distribution of proceeds to holders of the CLO Securities) on the credit exposure to, or cash flow from, a portfolio of collateral of which at least 75% consists of commercial loans (including eligible synthetic securities whose reference obligations consist of commercial loans); *provided* that not more than 25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of any CLO Security may be comprised of Synthetic

Securities; and *provided further* that each CLO Security must have a public or an estimated rating from each of the Rating Agencies.

"Closing Date": May 9, 2007.

"Closing Expense Account": The meaning specified in Section 10.2 hereof.

"Closing Expense Deposit": The cash credited to the Closing Expense Account on the Closing Date pursuant to Section 3.2(f) hereof.

"Closing Expenses": The meaning specified in Section 11.1(a) hereof.

"Code": The United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

"Co-Issuer": As defined in the first sentence of this Indenture.

"Co-Issuers": The Issuer and the Co-Issuer.

"Collateral": The Trust Estate.

"Collateral Account": The meaning specified in Section 10.2 hereof.

"Collateral Administration Agreement": The meaning specified in Section 10.5(g) hereof.

"Collateral Administrator": The collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement, initially Investors Bank & Trust Company.

"Collateral Agent": The meaning specified in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement.

"Collateral Disposition Proceeds": All proceeds (including, to the extent so determined by the Servicer, any payments received in connection with a consent or similar solicitation and including any amounts received in connection with an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral up to an amount equal to, in the aggregate, the Principal Balance of such item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) received during a Due Period from the sale or other disposition of any Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate, net of any reasonable amounts expended by the Trustee in connection with such sale or other disposition (including without limitation disposition proceeds from liquidation of the Trust Estate pursuant to Section 9.11). Accrued interest may also be treated as Collateral Disposition Proceeds (y) to the extent necessary to pay for the principal amount of or accrued interest on Substitute Portfolio Collateral if the item of sold Portfolio Collateral paid interest before, and in the same Due Period as, the date of sale or (z) to the extent such amounts are Purchased Accrued Interest treated as Collateral Principal Collections hereunder. Amounts received with respect to Equity Portfolio Collateral or in connection with a consent or similar solicitation shall be treated as Collateral Interest Collections to the extent such proceeds are in excess of the Principal Balance (determined immediately prior to such Portfolio Collateral becoming Equity Portfolio Collateral) of the Portfolio Collateral disposed of.

"Collateral Interest Collections": With respect to any Payment Date, the sum of (without duplication) (i) all payments of interest with respect to any Portfolio Collateral (excluding accrued interest classified as Collateral Disposition Proceeds but including any other receipts of accrued interest (including Accrued Interest on Sale) and, to the extent so determined by the Servicer, any payments (other than principal) received in connection with a consent or similar solicitation, fees received in connection with an amendment (but only to the extent such amendment does not result in diminishing the principal money terms of such item of Portfolio Collateral) and including any commitment, standby or similar fees with respect to the unfunded portion of the Issuer's commitment to make or otherwise fund advances with respect to a Delayed Drawdown Loan or a Revolving Loan which are received during the applicable Due Period, less any Retained Accrued Interest, (ii) the Account Income, if any, in the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account and the Loan Funding Account which is received during the applicable Due Period, as each is determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date (including, without limitation, Account Income on funds on deposit in the Initial Deposit Account transferred to the Collection Account on the Effective Date pursuant to Section 3.3(a) hereof), (iii) on or after the Effective Date, any funds transferred by the Trustee from the Initial Deposit Account pursuant to Section 10.2(f) hereof, (iv) any amounts received, other than with respect to principal, from a Securities Lending Agreement, and (v) income on Eligible Investments in and/or the securities credited to the Default Swap Collateral Account (to the extent the Issuer is entitled to receive such income pursuant to the terms hereof).

"Collateral LIBOR": With respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral, the London interbank offered rate for U.S. dollar deposits as determined under the terms of the related Underlying Instrument.

"Collateral Principal Collections": With respect to any Payment Date, all payments of principal of (without duplication) any Portfolio Collateral (including (i) any remaining Deposit (but excluding any Account Income thereon and subject to Section 3.4(d) hereof) not applied to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral or to effect an Initial Deposit Redemption, (ii) any payment of Premium, (iii) to the extent so determined by the Servicer, any payments received in connection with a consent or similar solicitation, fees received in connection with an amendment and including principal received in connection with or any payments received with respect to an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral in connection with any consent or similar solicitation, (iv) all proceeds received from the sale of any warrant (whether sold as part of a Unit or separately), (v) any Collateral Disposition Proceeds which are received during the applicable Due Period, as determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date, (vi) amounts representing Purchased Accrued Interest, (vii) amounts transferred from the Loan Funding Account upon the sale or disposition of Delayed Drawdown Loans or Revolving Loans or upon the expiration of a drawdown or revolving period, (viii) funds (other than income thereon) transferred from a Default Swap Collateral Account to the Collection Account, (ix) any amounts received by the Issuer that do not qualify as Collateral Interest Collections (other than those standing to the credit of any Default Swap Collateral Account or Default Swap Issuer Account) and (x) on or after the Effective Date, any funds in the Initial Deposit Account not considered Collateral Interest Collections pursuant to Section 10.2(f) hereof). Notwithstanding the foregoing, Collateral Principal Collections shall include (A) any other amounts not included in Collateral Interest Collections or Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections, (B) any payments received with respect to an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral

up to, in the aggregate, the Principal Balance of such item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and (C) any amounts recharacterized as Collateral Principal Collections in connection with any distribution of Payment Date Equity Securities.

"Collateral Purchase Amount": With respect to any Payment Date, the aggregate amount of funds deposited into the Collection Account on such Payment Date pursuant to clause TENTH of Section 11.1(c)(i) and clause FOURTH of Section 11.1(c)(ii).

"Collateral Quality Formula": The formula set forth in Annex D to be used to interpolate between values or rows of the criteria set forth in the Collateral Quality Matrix. For purposes of such calculation, (i) the Moody's Asset Correlation Test requirement in the applicable row of the Collateral Quality Matrix must be equal to or less than 5.5% and greater than or equal to 3.0%, (ii) the Moody's Weighted Average Recovery Rate requirement in the applicable row of the Collateral Quality Matrix must be less than or equal to 46.0% and greater than or equal to 36.5%, (iii) the Moody's Weighted Average Rating Test requirement in the applicable row of the Collateral Quality Matrix must be equal to or greater than 1500 and less than or equal to 2500 and (iv) the Weighted Average Margin requirement in the applicable row of the Collateral Quality Matrix must be equal to or greater than 1.6% and less than or equal to 3.05%.

"Collateral Quality Matrix": For any date of determination, the row of the table set forth in Annex D that has been selected by the Servicer (in accordance with the procedures described in the next sentence) for use in determining the scores that are required to satisfy the Moody's Asset Correlation Test, the Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test with respect to Moody's, the Moody's Weighted Average Rating Test and the Weighted Average Margin Test. The Servicer may elect to (i) have a different row of the table set forth in Annex D apply and (ii) add additional rows to the table set forth in Annex D by interpolating using the Collateral Quality Formula (which may or may not include a combination of existing values), in each case upon providing written notice to the Issuer and the Trustee, so long as, immediately after giving effect to the change in rows, each of the Moody's Asset Correlation Test, the Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test with respect to Moody's, the Moody's Weighted Average Rating Test and the Weighted Average Margin Test will be satisfied according to the scores that are prescribed by the newly selected row and the Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor Test would have been satisfied as of the date of the most recent purchase or sale of an item of Portfolio Collateral had such test been calculated using the Current Portfolio, the Proposed Portfolio, and the S&P Scenario Loss Rate that was in effect immediately prior to such purchase or sale, but using the S&P Break-Even Loss Rate applicable to the Notes that would have been applicable after giving effect to the change in combinations; it being agreed that the Servicer shall be under no obligation to elect to change the Collateral Quality Matrix. In determining whether the criteria set forth in the Collateral Quality Matrix are satisfied, the Servicer may use the Collateral Quality Formula to interpolate between values of such criteria or may use any other method that is agreed by the Issuer and Moody's with written notice to the Trustee. If a new Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor is required in connection with selecting a new row of the matrix, the Servicer will give notice to S&P and the Trustee at least two weeks prior to the selection of such new row.

"Collateral Quality Tests": The Moody's Asset Correlation Test, the Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test, the Moody's Weighted Average Rating Test, the Moody's Weighted Average Rating Test for CLO Securities, the Weighted Average Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Margin Test, the Weighted Average Life Requirement and the Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor Test.

"Collection Account": The meaning specified in Section 10.2 hereof.

"Collections": With respect to any Payment Date, the sum of (i) the Collateral Interest Collections collected during the applicable Due Period and (ii) the Collateral Principal Collections collected during the applicable Due Period, as each is determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date.

"Combination Notes" The Combination Notes due August 2024 in the Aggregate Principal Amount of U.S.\$10,000,000 and having the terms described in Section 2.2, 2.3 and Article XVI hereof.

"Component" or "Component Security": Each of the Note Component and the Preferred Share Component, individually or collectively, as the context may require.

"Controlling Class": Shall mean the Class A-1LA Notes, so long as any Class A-1LA Notes are outstanding, then the Class A-1LB Notes, so long as any Class A-1LB Notes are Outstanding, then the Class A-2L Notes, so long as any Class A-2L Notes are Outstanding, then the Class A-3L Notes, so long as any Class A-3L Notes are Outstanding, then the Class B-1L Notes, so long as any Class B-1L Notes are Outstanding and then the Class B-2L Notes, so long as any Class B-2L Notes are Outstanding.

"Corporate Trust Office": The principal corporate trust office of the Trustee currently located at Investors Bank & Trust Company, 200 Clarendon Street, Boston MA, 02116, Attention: CDO Services Group, or at such other address as the Trustee may designate by notice to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Issuer and the Rating Agencies or the principal corporate trust office in the United States of any successor Trustee.

"Coupon Adjustment": To the extent the Weighted Average Coupon of the Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral exceeds the percentage specified in the definition of Weighted Average Coupon Test, then the Weighted Average Margin Test (as specified in the row of the Collateral Quality Matrix then in effect), will be reduced by a per annum percentage equal to the product of (x) the amount by which the Weighted Average Coupon of the Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral exceeds the percentage specified in the row of the Collateral Quality Matrix then in effect for such Weighted Average Coupon, times (y) a fraction, the numerator of which is the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral and the denominator of which is the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral, times (z) 360/365.

To the extent the Weighted Average Margin of the Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral exceeds the percentage specified in the row of the Collateral Quality Matrix then in effect for such Weighted Average Margin, then the Weighted Average Coupon Test will be reduced by a per annum percentage equal to the product of (x) the amount by which the Weighted Average Margin exceeds the percentage specified in the current row of the Collateral

Quality Matrix, times (y) a fraction, the numerator of which is the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral and the denominator of which is the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral, times (z) 365/360.

"Credit Improved Criteria": Shall mean with respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral, in the Servicer's reasonable judgment, such item of Portfolio Collateral has significantly improved in credit quality, and:

(a) Moody's, S&P or Fitch has placed such item of Portfolio Collateral or any other class of security issued together with such item of Portfolio Collateral (or, if such item of Portfolio Collateral is not rated, the issuer thereof) on its credit watch list (or similar list) with the potential for developing positive credit implications since the date the Issuer first acquired such item of Portfolio Collateral (and for so long as such item of Portfolio Collateral or issuer, as applicable, remains on such list) or there has been an upgrade in the rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral, issuer or other class of security issued together with such item of Portfolio Collateral, as applicable, by Moody's, S&P or Fitch by one or more subcategories from the rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral or issuer, as applicable, by Moody's, S&P or Fitch, as applicable, in effect on the date the Issuer first acquired such item of Portfolio Collateral;

(b) with respect to a Portfolio Loan, since the date on which such Portfolio Loan was first acquired by the Issuer, has increased in price to 101.0% or more of its original purchase price or the spread of which over the related reference rate has been reduced, in each case, in accordance with its Underlying Instruments since the date on which such item of Portfolio Collateral was first acquired by the Issuer by 0.25% or more (in the case of an item of Portfolio Collateral with a spread over the related reference rate less than or equal to 2.00% at the time such item of Portfolio Collateral was first acquired by the Issuer) or 0.50% or more (in the case of an item of Portfolio Collateral with a spread over the related reference rate greater than 2.00% at the time such item of Portfolio Collateral was first acquired by the Issuer) for reasons primarily due to an improvement in the related borrower's financial ratios or financial results and not as a result of general market conditions; or

(c) with respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral which is not a Portfolio Loan, an increase in the market price (expressed as a percentage of par value) since the date of purchase of such item of Portfolio Collateral which, compared to the change in the average market price of a representative sample (as determined by the Servicer) of other debt securities with similar terms and credit characteristics and that would be eligible to be pledged as Portfolio Collateral, is greater than 3.00% of the par value or more relative to such representative sample; or a decrease since the date of purchase of such item of Portfolio Collateral of more than 10.0% in the difference between the yield to worst call on such item of Portfolio Collateral compared to the yield on the relevant United States Treasury security;

*provided, however, that the criteria in (b) and (c) above may be used only as corroboration of other bases for the Servicer's Judgment.*

"Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral": Any item of Portfolio Collateral which, (a) in the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment consistent with the standard of care set forth in the Servicing Agreement (*provided*, that in forming such judgment a decrease in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases of such judgment), has improved in credit quality or otherwise satisfies the Credit Improved Criteria or (b) is sold pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange.

"Credit Risk Criteria": With respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral:

(a) Moody's, Fitch or S&P has placed such item of Portfolio Collateral or any other class of security issued together with such item of Portfolio Collateral (or, if such item of Portfolio Collateral is not rated, the issuer thereof) on its credit watch list with the potential for developing negative credit implications (or similar list) since the date the Issuer first acquired such item of Portfolio Collateral (and for so long as such item of Portfolio Collateral or issuer, as applicable, remains on such list) or there has been a reduction in the rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral, issuer or other class of security issued together with such item of Portfolio Collateral, as applicable, by Moody's, Fitch or S&P, as applicable, by one or more subcategories from the rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral or issuer, as applicable, by Moody's, Fitch or S&P, as applicable, in effect on the date the Issuer first acquired such item of Portfolio Collateral;

(b) which is a Portfolio Loan, the spread over the applicable reference rate has been increased in accordance with the related Underlying Instruments since the date on which such Portfolio Loan was first acquired by the Issuer by 0.50% or more (in the case of a Portfolio Loan with a spread over the applicable reference rate at the time such Portfolio Loan was first acquired by the Issuer less than or equal to 2.00%) or 0.75% or more (in the case of a Portfolio Loan with a spread over the applicable reference rate at the time such Portfolio Loan was first acquired by the Issuer greater than 2.00%) primarily due to a deterioration in the related borrower's financial ratios or financial results and not as a result of general market conditions; *provided, however*, that the criteria in this paragraph (b) may be used only as corroboration of other bases for the Servicer's judgment;

(c) which is a CLO Security, a decline in the par amount of underlying collateral such that the aggregate par amount of the entire class of securities to which such item of Portfolio Collateral belongs and all other securities secured by the same pool of collateral and that rank senior in priority of payment to such class of securities exceeds the aggregate par amount of all collateral (excluding defaulted collateral) securing such securities; or

(d) it is a Deferred Interest PIK Bond or a partial Deferred Interest PIK Bond.

"Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral": Any item of Portfolio Collateral (other than an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) which, in the Servicer's commercially reasonable business judgment consistent with the standard of care set forth in the Servicing Agreement (which judgment shall not be questioned as a result of subsequent events; *provided*, that in



forming such judgment an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases of such judgment), (i) is likely to decline in credit quality and, with the passage of time, become Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, and (ii) if a Sales Restriction Condition has occurred, otherwise satisfies the Credit Risk Criteria.

"Cumulative Interest Amount": With respect to a Payment Date and any Class of Notes the applicable Periodic Interest Amount with respect to such Payment Date and the applicable Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount, if any, with respect to such Payment Date.

"Current Pay Obligation": An item of Portfolio Collateral that would otherwise be an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral but as to which (i) no interest or principal payments (including deferred interest) are due and payable that are unpaid and the Servicer reasonably expects that the issuer or obligor of such Portfolio Collateral will continue to make scheduled payments of interest thereon and principal thereof and will pay the principal thereof by maturity, (ii) if the issuer or obligor of such item of Portfolio Collateral is subject to a bankruptcy proceeding, a bankruptcy court has authorized the payment of interest due and payable on such item of Portfolio Collateral, and (iii) either (a) the Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral is equal to or greater than 80% of par and the Moody's Rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral is at least "Caa1", (b) the Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral is equal to or greater than 85% of par and the Moody's Rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral is at least "Caa2" (or, if the Moody's Rating has been withdrawn, the Moody's Rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral was at least "Caa2" prior to withdrawal) or (c) the Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral is equal to or greater than 80% of par and the Moody's Rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral is below "Caa2" (or, if the Moody's Rating has been withdrawn, the Moody's Rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral was below "Caa2") prior to withdrawal.

"Current Portfolio": Pledged Securities in the Trust Estate immediately prior to the sale, maturity or the other disposition of an item of Portfolio Collateral or immediately prior to the purchase of an item of Portfolio Collateral, as the case may be.

"Custodian": As such term is defined in Section 2.1(b) hereof.

"Debt Security": Interests in corporate and other debt securities, including senior secured rate floating notes (other than Eligible Investments, CLO Securities and Portfolio Loans), and, for the avoidance of doubt, Portfolio Loans shall not be considered Debt Securities.

"Default": Any event or condition the occurrence or existence of which, with the giving of notice or lapse of time or both, would become an Event of Default.

"Defaulted Portfolio Collateral": Any item of Portfolio Collateral (other than an item of Portfolio Collateral which is a DIP Loan, unless such item of Portfolio Collateral itself is in default since acquisition), including with respect to a Synthetic Security, the related Reference Obligation, with respect to which:

- (i) the issuer thereof has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (in respect of Portfolio Loans only, beyond five Business Days, *provided* the Servicer certifies in writing to the Trustee that it believes, in its reasonable business judgment, that

such delay is not credit related), unless, in the case of a failure of such issuer to make required interest payments, such issuer has resumed current cash payments of interest and paid in full all accrued and unpaid interest;

(ii) such item of Portfolio Collateral is *pari passu* with or subordinated to other material indebtedness for borrowed money owing by the issuer thereof ("Other Indebtedness") and such issuer has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (beyond any applicable grace or notice period and without regard to any waiver of such default) on such Other Indebtedness, unless, in the case of a failure of such issuer to make required interest payments, such issuer has resumed current cash payments of interest and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon;

(iii) an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to the issuer thereof;

(iv) the Servicer has knowledge (or such rating information has been published) that the issuer thereof is rated "D" or "SD" by S&P (calculated in accordance with Schedule D) (or S&P has withdrawn its rating which prior to such withdrawal was "D" or "SD");

(v) such item of Portfolio Collateral is a PIK Bond or Partial Deferred Interest Bond as to which the issuer thereof or obligor thereon (or, in the case of a Synthetic Security, the related Reference Obligor) has previously deferred or capitalized any interest due thereon for (a) the lesser of (i) 6 months and (ii) one Payment Date (except to the extent all interest so deferred or capitalized has subsequently been paid in full in cash, including interest thereon) if such item of Portfolio Collateral has a Moody's Rating below "Baa3" or (b) the lesser of (i) one year and (ii) two consecutive Payment Dates (except to the extent all interest so deferred or capitalized has subsequently been paid in full in cash, including interest thereon) if such item of Portfolio Collateral has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" or greater;

(vi) there has been proposed or effected any distressed exchange or other distressed debt restructuring where the issuer of such Portfolio Collateral has offered the debt holders a new security or package of securities that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer amounts to a diminished financial obligation;

(vii) such item of Portfolio Collateral is declared to be an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral by the Servicer, but only so long as it remains so designated by the Servicer in its sole discretion;

(viii) such item of Portfolio Collateral is a CLO Security which is rated "CC" or below by S&P (or S&P has withdrawn its rating which prior to such withdrawal was rated "CC") or has a Moody's Rating of "Ca" or "C" or below;

(ix) such item of Portfolio Collateral is a Participation that would, if the underlying loan were an item of Portfolio Collateral, be an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral under any of clauses (i) through (iii) above or with respect to which the Selling Institution has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Participation; or

(x) such item of Portfolio Collateral is a Synthetic Security referencing a Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were an item of Portfolio Collateral, be an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral under any of clauses (i) through (iv) above or with respect to which the Synthetic Security Counterparty has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Synthetic Security;

*provided* that any item of Portfolio Collateral that is classified as an item of "Defaulted Portfolio Collateral" will cease to be so classified if such item of Portfolio Collateral, at any date thereafter, (a) would not otherwise be classified as an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral in accordance with the definition of such term and (b) otherwise meets the collateral criteria described herein as of such date.

"Default Swap": Any U.S. dollar denominated "pay as you go" credit default swap or total return swap with respect to a Reference Obligation, which the Issuer (directly or indirectly) purchased from or entered into with a Default Swap Counterparty, which contains equivalent probability of default, recovery upon default (or a specific percentage thereof), expected loss, maturity, interest rate and other non-credit characteristics as those of the related Reference Obligation (without taking account of such considerations as they relate to the Default Swap Counterparty); *provided* that (i) the Reference Obligation is a CLO Security, (ii) such Default Swap will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. Federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to U.S. Federal income tax on a net income tax basis, (iii) either (a) amounts receivable by the Issuer are not expected to (based on the Servicer's determination, which may include consultation with counsel to the Issuer) be subject to U.S. or foreign withholding tax in respect of the Default Swap or (b) the Default Swap Counterparty is required to make "gross-up" payments pursuant to the related Underlying Instruments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax on an after-tax basis (including any tax on such additional payments), (iv) the Issuer has caused to be deposited in a Default Swap Collateral Account an amount in cash at least equal to the aggregate of (or the amount required under the terms of the Synthetic Security to provide for) all further payments (contingent or otherwise) that the Issuer is or may be required to make to the Default Swap Counterparty under the Default Swap; (v) the agreement relating to such Default Swap contains "non-petition" provisions with respect to the Issuer and "limited recourse" provisions limiting the Default Swap Counterparty's rights in respect of the Default Swap Collateral to the funds and other property credited to the Default Swap Collateral Account related to such Default Swap; (vi) the notional amount of such Default Swap is equal to the principal amount of the Reference Obligation; (vii) the agreement relating to such Default Swap Collateral contains provisions to the effect that upon the occurrence of an "Event of Default" or "Termination Event" (other than an "Illegality" or "Tax Event"), if any, where the Default Swap Counterparty is the sole "Defaulting Party" or the sole "Affected Party" ("Event of Default," "Termination Event," "Illegality," "Tax Event," "Defaulting Party" or "Affected Party," as applicable, as such terms are defined in the ISDA Master Agreement relating to such Default Swap), (a) the Issuer may terminate its obligations under such Default Swap and upon such termination and payment of any termination amount payable under the Default Swap, any lien in favor of the Default Swap Counterparty over its related Default Swap Collateral Account will be terminated and (b) upon payment of any termination amount payable under the Default Swap, the Issuer will no longer be obligated to make any payments to the Default Swap Counterparty with respect to such Default Swap, (viii) any Default Swap shall be positively indexed to the related Reference Obligation on

no more than a one-to-one basis, (ix) if any Reference Obligation delivered pursuant to any Default Swap does not constitute Portfolio Collateral and it would cause any collateral quality test or concentration limitation not to be satisfied, such Reference Obligation shall be deemed Equity Portfolio Collateral, and (x) (a) such Default Swap shall be documented with a standard ISDA form master agreement, as modified by appropriate schedules and confirmations and (b) (1) such Default Swap is a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or (2) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the purchase of or entry into such Default Swap.

"Default Swap Collateral": Cash, securities or other collateral, meeting the definition of Eligible Investments, purchased or posted by the Issuer for the benefit of the Default Swap Counterparty in connection with the purchase of a Default Swap, including without limitation a payment of cash or delivery of securities by the Issuer.

"Default Swap Collateral Account": The account established pursuant to Section 10.2 hereof with the Securities Intermediary in the name of the Trustee.

"Default Swap Counterparty": Any entity, whose long term senior unsecured debt or derivatives counterparty rating shall be at least "A2" by Moody's and a long term rating of at least "A" or a short term rating of at least "A-1" by S&P, required to make payments on Synthetic Portfolio Collateral pursuant to the terms of such Default Swap or any guarantee thereof to the extent that a Reference Obligor makes payments on a related Reference Obligation.

"Default Swap Counterparty Termination Payment": An amount payable by the Issuer to a Default Swap Counterparty that is due following the designation of an "Early Termination Date" (as defined in the related credit default swap) (other than in respect of "Illegality" or a "Tax Event" (each as defined in the related credit default swap)), as to which the Default Swap Counterparty is the sole "Defaulting Party" or the sole "Affected Party" (as each such term is defined in the ISDA Master Agreement related to such Synthetic Security).

"Default Swap Issuer Account": The account established pursuant to Section 10.2 hereof with the Securities Intermediary in the name of the Trustee.

"Deferred Interest PIK Bond": As of any date of determination, any PIK Bond that is not an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral that has, in accordance with its terms, deferred or paid "in-kind" any amount of interest for a period equal to:

(a) in the case of an item of Portfolio Collateral that has a Moody's Rating below "Baa3" (or, if rated "Baa3," is on credit watch for possible downgrade) or, if rated by S&P, a rating by S&P below "BBB-" (or, if rated "BBB-," is on credit watch for possible downgrade), the shorter of one accrual period or six months; and

(b) in all other cases, the shorter of two accrual periods or twelve months;

and has not, as of such date of determination, resumed timely payment of current interest in cash and repaid all outstanding deferred or capitalized interest in cash. For the avoidance of doubt, an item of Portfolio Collateral will not constitute a Deferred Interest PIK Bond if it resumes timely payment of current interest in cash and repays all outstanding deferred or capitalized interest in

cash on the Payment Date immediately succeeding the end of the interest accrual period(s) set forth above.

"Definitive Notes": Registered definitive notes in substantially the form set forth in Exhibits A-1L-4, A-2L-4, A-3L-4, B-1L-4 and B-2L-4.

"Delayed Drawdown Loan": A Portfolio Loan that, pursuant to the related Underlying Instrument or Underlying Loan and Security Agreement and lender or lenders, would obligate the Issuer, if the Issuer were to become a lender thereunder by purchasing such Portfolio Loan for inclusion in the Trust Estate, to make or otherwise fund one or more future advances to the related borrower and meeting the criteria described in Section 3.4; *provided* that, if a Delayed Drawdown Loan has been drawn in full and there are no future advance obligations to the related borrower, such Portfolio Loan will no longer be considered a Delayed Drawdown Loan.

"Deliver" or "Delivery": The taking of the following steps by the Issuer:

(a) with respect to such of the Trust Estate as constitutes an instrument, causing the Trustee to take possession in the State of New York or the Commonwealth of Massachusetts of such instrument, indorsed to the Trustee or in blank by an effective indorsement;

(b) with respect to such of the Trust Estate as constitutes tangible chattel paper, goods, a negotiable document, or money, causing the Trustee to take possession in the State of New York or the Commonwealth of Massachusetts of such tangible chattel paper, goods, negotiable document, or money;

(c) with respect to such of the Trust Estate as constitutes a certificated security in bearer form, causing the Trustee to acquire possession in the State of New York or the Commonwealth of Massachusetts of the related security certificate;

(d) with respect to such of the Trust Estate as constitutes a certificated security in registered form, causing the Trustee to acquire possession in the State of New York or the Commonwealth of Massachusetts of the related security certificate, indorsed to the Trustee or in blank by an effective indorsement, or registered in the name of the Trustee, upon original issue or registration of transfer by the issuer of such certificated security;

(e) with respect to such of the Trust Estate as constitutes an uncertificated security, causing the issuer of such uncertificated security to register the Trustee as the registered owner of such uncertificated security;

(f) with respect to such of the Trust Estate as constitutes a security entitlement, causing the Securities Intermediary to indicate by book entry that the financial asset relating to such security entitlement has been credited to the appropriate Account;

(g) with respect to such of the Trust Estate as constitutes an account or a general intangible, (i) causing the account debtor for such account or general intangible to be notified of the grant to the Trustee of a security interest in such account or general intangible, (ii) causing to be taken any steps necessary to perfect a security interest in

such account or general intangible under the laws of the Cayman Islands, and (iii) causing to be filed with the District of Columbia Recorder of Deeds a properly completed UCC financing statement that names the Issuer as debtor and the Trustee as secured party and that covers such account or general intangible;

(h) with respect to such of the Trust Estate as constitutes a deposit account, causing such deposit account to be maintained in the name of the Trustee and causing the bank with which such deposit account is maintained to agree in writing with the Trustee and the Issuer that (i) such bank will comply with instructions originated by the Trustee directing disposition of the funds in such deposit account without further consent of any other person or entity, (ii) such bank will not agree with any person or entity other than the Trustee to comply with instructions originated by any person or entity other than the Trustee, (iii) such deposit account and the property deposited therein will not be subject to any lien, claim, security interest, encumbrance, or right of set-off in favor of such bank or anyone claiming through it (other than the Trustee), (iv) such agreement will be governed by the laws of the State of New York, and (v) the State of New York will be the bank's jurisdiction of such bank for purposes of Article 9 of the UCC; or

(i) in the case of each of paragraphs (a) through (h) above, such additional or alternative procedures as may hereafter become appropriate to perfect a security interest in such items of the Trust Estate in favor of the Trustee, consistent with applicable law or regulations.

In each case of Delivery contemplated herein, the Trustee shall make appropriate notations on its records indicating that such item of the Trust Estate is held by the Trustee pursuant to and as provided herein.

Effective upon Delivery of any item of the Trust Estate, the Trustee shall be deemed to have (i) represented that its purchase of such item of the Trust Estate is made in good faith, and without notice of any adverse claim thereto appearing on the face of such item (if in physical form) or otherwise known to a Responsible Officer of the Trustee; *provided* that such representation shall not impose any other affirmative duty or obligation upon the Trustee with regard to inquiry or investigation of, or constructive notice of, adverse claims; and (ii) acknowledged that it holds such item of the Trust Estate as Trustee hereunder for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes and the other Secured Parties. Any additional or alternative procedures for accomplishing "Delivery" for purposes of paragraph (i) of this definition shall be permitted only upon delivery to the Trustee of an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that such procedures are appropriate to perfect a security interest in the applicable type of collateral in favor of the Trustee.

"Deposit": The cash credited to the Initial Deposit Account on the Closing Date (or with respect to the Post-Closing Sale Collateral, within 10 days of the Closing Date) in accordance with Section 3.2(e) hereof, including any reimbursement for amounts withdrawn from the Initial Deposit Account pursuant to Section 10.2(f), and including the first interest payment received on each Portfolio Loan and on CLO Securities (other than certain CLO Securities, as indicated on Schedule A) purchased on the Closing Date.

"Deposit Account": The meaning specified in Section 10.2 hereof.

"Depository": With respect to the Regulation S Global Notes and the Rule 144A Global Notes, DTC, its nominees, and their respective successors.

"DIP Loan": Any interest in a loan or financing facility (a) which at the time of purchase is an obligation of a debtor-in-possession pursuant to Section 364 of United States the Bankruptcy Code, (b) the terms of which have been approved by an order of a United States Bankruptcy Court, a United States District Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, the enforceability of which order is not subject to any pending contested matter or proceeding (as such terms are defined in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure), (c) which has the priority allowed by either Section 364(c) or 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code, (d) which pays interest in cash on a current basis, and (e) as to which the obligor has paid its most recent scheduled interest and principal payments (if any) and the Servicer reasonably expects that such obligor will continue to pay interest and principal payments. For purposes hereof, a DIP Loan shall not be considered a Current Pay Obligation. Any DIP Loan added as an item of Portfolio Collateral must be assigned a formal or estimated rating by Moody's and S&P.

"Discount Portfolio Collateral": (a) Any Portfolio Loan (including a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of which is a Portfolio Loan) which was purchased at a price less than 85% of the Principal Balance thereof, (b) any item of Portfolio Collateral which is a CLO Security (including a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of which is a CLO Security) and which had a Moody's Rating of below "Aa3" at the time of purchase which was purchased at a price less than 80% of the Principal Balance thereof and (c) any item of Portfolio Collateral which is a CLO Security (including a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of which is a CLO Security) and which had a Moody's Rating of "Aa3" or greater at the time of purchase which was purchased at a price less than 92% of the Principal Balance thereof; *provided* that (i) (x) any Portfolio Loan (including a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of which is a Portfolio Loan) that would otherwise be considered Discount Portfolio Collateral, but that has a Market Value above 90% of its Principal Balance for 22 consecutive Business Days after being purchased by the Issuer, will no longer be considered Discount Portfolio Collateral, (y) any item of Portfolio Collateral which is a CLO Security (including a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of which is a CLO Security) and which had a Moody's Rating of below "Aa3" at the time of purchase that would otherwise be considered Discount Portfolio Collateral, but that has a Market Value above 85% of its Principal Balance for 60 consecutive Business Days after being purchased by the Issuer, will no longer be considered Discount Portfolio Collateral, and (z) any item of Portfolio Collateral which is a CLO Security (including a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of which is a CLO Security) and which had a Moody's Rating of "Aa3" or greater at the time of purchase that would otherwise be considered Discount Portfolio Collateral, but that has a Market Value above 95% of its Principal Balance for 60 consecutive days after being purchased by the Issuer will no longer be considered Discount Portfolio Collateral; and (ii) any item of Portfolio Collateral that is a Portfolio Loan (including a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of which is a Portfolio Loan) that would otherwise be considered Discount Portfolio Collateral, but that is purchased with the proceeds of sale of an item of Portfolio Collateral that was not an item of Discount Portfolio Collateral at the time of its purchase, so long as such item of Portfolio Collateral (a) was purchased or committed to be purchased within five Business Days of such sale, (b) was purchased at a price (as a percentage

of par) equal to or greater than the sale price of the sold item of Portfolio Collateral, (c) was purchased at a purchase price not less than 65% of the Principal Balance thereof and (d) had a rating equal to or greater than the rating of the sold item of Portfolio Collateral, will not be considered Discount Portfolio Collateral. Notwithstanding the foregoing, at no time during the period commencing on the Closing Date through the Final Maturity Date, shall the Aggregate Principal Amount of all items of Discount Portfolio Collateral purchased pursuant to clause (ii) exceed in the aggregate 10% of the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount; *provided further that* no more than 3.5% of the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount of such 10% cumulative limitation may consist of CLO Securities; *provided further that*, if an item of Portfolio Collateral that is a Portfolio Loan purchased pursuant to clause (ii) above is repaid in full, is sold for a price equal to at least 97.5% of its unpaid Principal Balance or has a Market Value above 90% of its Principal Balance for at least 22 consecutive Business Days after being purchased, such item of Portfolio Collateral shall not be taken into account for purposes of the 10% limitation in clause (ii) above; *provided further that*, as of any date of determination, the Aggregate Principal Amount of items of Portfolio Collateral that are Portfolio Loans in the Trust Estate purchased pursuant to clause (ii) above, may not exceed (x) 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount or (y) if the weighted average purchase price of items of Portfolio Collateral that are Portfolio Loans purchased pursuant to clause (ii)(b) above is less than 75% as of such date of determination, 2.5% of the Aggregate Par Amount. In addition, when determining whether an Underlying Security purchased in combination with a Coupon Security constitutes, collectively, an item of Discount Portfolio Collateral, the sum of the total dollar purchase prices of such Underlying Security and Coupon Security divided by the face amount of the Underlying Security shall be used to determine whether such item of Portfolio Collateral is an item of Discount Portfolio Collateral.

"Distributable Equity Securities" Any and all Equity Portfolio Collateral, which cannot be sold by the Servicer as a result of the regulatory, market or other restrictions, as determined in good faith by the Servicer, and shall have the value as determined by an independent third party with relevant experience in making such valuation.

"Distribution Compliance Period": The period ending on the 40th day after the later of the conclusion of the offering of the Notes and the Closing Date.

"DTC": The Depository Trust Company, a New York corporation, or any successor thereto.

"Due Date": Each date on which a distribution or payment is due on a Pledged Security (which includes any Eligible Investment).

"Due Period": With respect to any Payment Date, the period beginning on the day following the last day of the immediately preceding Due Period (or, in the case of the Due Period that is applicable to the first Payment Date beginning on the Closing Date) and ending at the close of business on the seventh Business Day preceding such Payment Date. Amounts that would otherwise have been payable in respect of an item of Portfolio Collateral on the last day of a Due Period but for such day's not being designated a business day in the Underlying Instruments and/or as a result of a grace period for payment, if any, extending beyond the last day of a Due Period may, at the Collateral Manager's discretion, be considered included in



collections received during such Due Period provided that such amounts are received by the third Business Day immediately preceding the Payment Date.

"Effective Date": The earlier of (i) the first date on which the Deposit has been applied to the purchase (or committed to the purchase) of Original Portfolio Collateral such that the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any of the Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date) is at least equal to the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount or (ii) November 1, 2007.

"Eligible Guarantor": An entity that has credit ratings at least equal to the Moody's Required Ratings Threshold and S&P Approved Ratings Threshold.

"Eligible Guaranty": An unconditional and irrevocable guaranty of all present and future payment obligations and obligations to post collateral of the related Hedge Counterparty or an Eligible Replacement to such Hedge Counterparty that is provided by an Eligible Guarantor as principal debtor rather than surety and that is directly enforceable by the Issuer, the form and substance of which guaranty are subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to S&P.

"Eligible Investments": Any U.S. dollar denominated investment that is one or more of the following (including security entitlements with respect thereto):

(a) direct registered obligations of, and registered obligations fully guaranteed by, the United States of America or any agency or instrumentality of the United States of America the obligations of which are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America or United States Security Entitlements (as defined in the Indenture) other than obligations or security entitlements of the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation; *provided, however*, that, in the case of obligations or United States Security Entitlements that are rated, each such obligation shall, at the time of its inclusion in the Trust Estate, have a credit rating of "AA-" or better or "A-1+" or better, as applicable, by S&P (except that Eligible Investments in an amount up to 20% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes Outstanding may be rated "A-1") and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) or "P-1" or better by Moody's, and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications);

(b) demand and time deposits in, trust accounts with, and certificates of deposit of, any depository institution or trust company (including the Trustee) incorporated under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof and subject to the supervision and examination by federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or debt obligations of such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company) at the time of purchase or contractual commitment providing for such purchase have a credit rating of "AA-" or better, in the case of debt obligations, or "A-1+" or better, in the case of commercial paper, by S&P (except that Eligible Investments in an amount up to 20% of the

Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes Outstanding may be rated "A-1") and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) or "P-1" or better by Moody's, and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications);

(c) registered securities bearing interest or sold at a discount issued by any corporation incorporated under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof that have a credit rating of "AA-" or better by S&P and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) or "P-1" or better by Moody's at the time of such purchase or contractual commitment providing for such purchase, and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications);

(d) repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clause (a) above, entered into with a depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (b) above (including the Trustee) or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose short-term debt has a credit rating of "A-1+" (except that Eligible Investments in an amount up to 20% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes Outstanding may be rated "A-1") or better by S&P and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) or "P-1" or better by Moody's at the time of purchase in the case of any repurchase obligation for a security having a maturity not more than 183 days from the date of its issuance or whose long-term debt has a credit rating of "AA-" or better by S&P and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) by Moody's at the time of purchase in the case of any repurchase obligation for a security having a maturity more than 183 days from the date of its issuance and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications);

(e) commercial paper having at the time of purchase a credit rating of "A-1+" (except that an amount up to 20% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes Outstanding may be rated "A-1") or better by S&P and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) or "P-1" or better by Moody's and that has a maturity of not more than 183 days from its date of issuance; *provided, however*, that in the case of commercial paper with a maturity of longer than 91 days, the issuer of such commercial paper (or, in the case of a principal depository institution in a holding company system, the holding company of such system), if rated by S&P, must have at the time of purchase a long-term credit rating of "AA-" or better by S&P and "Aa3" or better (if such obligation has a long-term rating) by Moody's and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications);

(f) off-shore money market funds, which funds have, at all times, the highest credit rating assigned to such investment category by S&P and Moody's; and

(g) such other Eligible Investments acceptable to the Rating Agencies;

*provided, however*, that: (i) Eligible Investments purchased with funds in the Collection Account shall be held until maturity (or sold only for an amount at least equal to the par amount of such Eligible Investment) and shall include only such obligations or securities as mature no later than the Business Day prior to the next Payment Date and Eligible Investments purchased with funds in the Initial Deposit Account shall be held until maturity (or sold only for an amount at least

equal to the par amount of such Eligible Investment) and shall include only such obligations or securities as mature no later than the Business Day prior to the date expected to be used and in any event prior to the Initial Deposit Redemption Date; (ii) none of the foregoing obligations or securities shall constitute Eligible Investments if all, or substantially all, of the remaining amounts payable thereunder shall consist of interest and not principal payments; (iii) none of the S&P ratings required above shall have a subscript of "r", "t", "p", "pi" or "q"; (iv) none of the foregoing obligations or securities shall constitute Eligible Investments if such obligations or securities are mortgage-backed securities; (v) no such obligation may be margin stock, securities which have a mandatory or optional conversion to equity or securities which are subject to an Offer; (vi) no such obligation may have coupons or other payments that are subject to U.S. withholding tax or are subject to foreign withholding under the terms of the underlying instruments where the issuer is not required to make "gross-up" payments sufficient to cause the net amount to be received on the debt obligations to equal the amount that would have been paid had no such withholding tax applied and the acquisition (including manner of acquisition), ownership or disposition of no such obligation shall cause the Issuer to be engaged or deemed engaged in a U.S. trade or business for U.S. federal income tax purposes; and (vii) any such Eligible Investment purchased on the basis of S&P's short-term rating of "A-1" shall mature not later than thirty (30) days after the date of purchase. Eligible Investments may include those Eligible Investments with respect to which the Trustee or any of its Affiliates provide services or is the obligor or depository institution.

"Eligible Preferred Shares": The Preferred Shares excluding any Preferred Shares owned or controlled by any Servicer Entities in excess of the Original HFP Share Amount.

"Eligible Replacement": An entity that either (i) satisfies the S&P Approved Ratings Threshold and the Moody's Required Ratings Threshold or (ii) provides an Eligible Guaranty from an Eligible Guarantor.

"Equity Portfolio Collateral": Any security (or any other right, interest or property or security entitlement) which does not entitle the holder thereof to receive periodic payments of interest no less frequently than semiannually and one or more installments of principal, in cash and sufficient to retire in full the stated principal amount thereof on the stated maturity date therefor; *provided, however*, that such definition will not include warrants, profit participations or similar equity-based rights that are a component of a Unit to the extent that the Aggregate Principal Amount of Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate with a warrant, profit participation or similar equity-based right attached thereto as a component of a Unit does not exceed 10% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Pledged Securities in the Trust Estate.

"ERISA": The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended from time to time.

"Euroclear Operator": Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear System, and any successor thereto.

"Event of Default": The meaning specified in Section 5.1 hereof.

"Exchange Act": The United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

"Exchange Certificate": The certification delivered in the form of Exhibit F hereto.

"Exchange Offer": With respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral, (i) an offer by the issuer of such item of Portfolio Collateral or by any other Person made to all holders of such item of Portfolio Collateral to exchange such item of Portfolio Collateral held by them for an item of Equity Portfolio Collateral or other debt instruments that do not otherwise satisfy the definition of Portfolio Collateral or (ii) any solicitation by such issuer or other Person to amend, modify or waive any provision of such item of Portfolio Collateral or of the related Underlying Instrument, the effect of which would be to convert such item of Portfolio Collateral into an item of Equity Portfolio Collateral or other debt instruments that do not otherwise satisfy the definition of Portfolio Collateral.

"Excluded Accrued Interest": With respect to any item of Initial Portfolio Collateral, any accrued and unpaid interest thereon (i) which was not included in the purchase price thereof that the Issuer paid on the Closing Date, and (ii) which will be paid by the Trustee from the Trust Estate, as instructed by Bear Stearns, in accordance with the terms of the Indenture.

"Expense Reimbursement Account": The meaning specified in Section 10.2 hereof.

"Extended Final Maturity Date" If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Final Maturity Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Final Maturity Date, the Payment Date in August 2028).

"Extended Revolving Period End Date": If an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Revolving Period End Date (or, in the case of the first Extension, the Payment Date in August 2018).

"Extended Weighted Average Life Date": If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Weighted Average Life Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Weighted Average Life Date, May 1, 2024).

"Extension": An extension of the Revolving Period, the Final Maturity Date of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test in accordance with the Indenture.

"Extension Bonus Payment": With respect to each Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable Noteholder as set forth in Sections 11.1(c) and (d) in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Class A-1LA Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class A-1LB Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (3) in the case of the Class A-2L Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Date, (4) in the case of the Class A-3L Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate

Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (5) in the case of the Class B-1L Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date and (6) in the case of the Class B-2L Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

"Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification": With respect to each Maturity Extension and each beneficial owner of Notes other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such beneficial owner acceptable to the Issuer to the effect that it held Notes other than Extension Sale Securities on the applicable Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof and wire transfer instructions for the Extension Bonus Payment and any required documentation thereunder.

"Extension Conditions": As defined under Section 2.3(d).

"Extension Determination Date": The 8th Business Day prior to each Extension Effective Date.

"Extension Effective Date": If an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extension Effective Date (or, in the case of the first Extension Effective Date, the Payment Date in August 2014).

"Extension Notice": The notice given by the Issuer of its election to extend the Revolving Period substantially in the form of Exhibit I.

"Extension Purchase Price": The purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with each Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest as of the applicable Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), (ii) in the case of the Preferred Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preferred Shares since the Closing Date would cause such Preferred Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) an Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); *provided, however, that* if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received an Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Preferred Shares shall be zero.

"Extension Qualifying Purchasers": The Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event the Servicer elects not to purchase Securities from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.3(d); "Extension Qualifying Purchasers" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchasers or any of their Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; *provided, however, none* of the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers, or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

"Extension Sale Notice": Irrevocable notice given by any Holder of Notes and Preferred Shares of its intention to sell its Notes or Preferred Shares to an Extension Qualifying

Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension substantially in the form of Enclosure B to Exhibit I.

"Extension Sale Notice Period": Within 30 days after the Issuer has delivered the Extension Notice.

"Extension Sale Securities": Notes or Preferred Shares as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given.

"Final Maturity Date": With respect to each Class of Notes the Payment Date occurring in August 2024 or such earlier date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Notes is paid in full, including in connection with an Optional Redemption; *provided* that the "Final Maturity Date" with respect to the Notes will be extended to the applicable Extended Final Maturity Date upon the occurrence of a Maturity Extension.

"Firm Offer": With respect to any Hedge Agreement, an offer which, when made, is capable of becoming legally binding upon acceptance.

"Fitch": Fitch Ratings or any successor thereto.

"Fixed Amount": As defined in the Cap Agreement.

"Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral": An item of Portfolio Collateral that bears interest at a fixed rate.

"Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral": An item of Portfolio Collateral that bears interest at a floating rate.

"Foreign Intermediaries": The meaning specified in Section 3.5 hereof.

"Form-Approved Hedge Agreement": Any Hedge Agreement the documentation of which conforms (except for the amount and timing of payments, the notional amount, the effective date, the termination date and similar terms) in all material respects to a form with respect to which Rating Agency Confirmation was obtained prior to the entry into such Hedge Agreement, including any confirmation entered into after the Closing Date if conforming (except for permitted changes expressly contemplated by such form) in all material respects to those in effect on the Closing Date and any other Hedge Agreement conforming in all material respects (except for permitted changes expressly contemplated by such form) to a form with respect to which Rating Agency Confirmation was obtained; *provided* that any material amendment or other modification (except for permitted changes expressly contemplated by such form) to the form of a Hedge Agreement shall require Rating Agency Confirmation; *provided, further* that each Rating Agency may revoke its consent to a Form-Approved Hedge Agreement upon 30 days' written notice to the Trustee and the Issuer

"Form-Approved Synthetic Security": A Synthetic Security (a)(i) the Reference Obligation of which would be eligible for purchase by the Issuer as an item of Portfolio Collateral without any required action by the Rating Agencies or for which the Rating Condition has been satisfied or (ii) the Reference Obligation of which would satisfy clause (i) but for the

currency in which it is payable and such Synthetic Security is payable in U.S. Dollars, does not provide for physical settlement and does not expose the Issuer to currency risk, (b) the documentation of which conforms (but for the amount and timing of periodic payments, the name of the Reference Obligation, the notional amount, the effective date, the termination date and other similarly necessary changes) to a form in respect of which the Rating Condition has been satisfied for use in this transaction, (c) which provides that any "credit event" thereunder shall not include restructuring (other than modified restructuring as defined in the 2003 ISDA Credit Derivatives Definitions), repudiation, moratorium, obligation default or obligation acceleration unless such Synthetic Security may be settled only through a physical settlement of a deliverable obligation to the Issuer and not in cash, (d) which has been certified in writing by the Servicer to the Trustee and the Issuer as meeting the requirements of this definition and (e) for which the Issuer has provided the Rating Agencies notice of the purchase of such Synthetic Security no less than five Business Days prior to such purchase; *provided* that each Rating Agency may revoke its consent to a Form-Approved Synthetic Security upon 30 days' written notice to the Trustee and the Issuer.

"Global Note": A Temporary Regulation S Global Note, a Permanent Regulation S Global Note or a Rule 144A Global Note.

"Grant": To grant, bargain, sell, warrant, alienate, remise, demise, release, convey, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge, grant a security interest in, create a right of set-off against, deposit, set over and confirm. A Grant of any item of the Trust Estate shall include all rights, powers and options (but none of the obligations) of the granting party thereunder, including without limitation the immediate and continuing right to claim for, collect, receive and receipt for principal and interest payments in respect of such item of the Trust Estate, and all other monies payable thereunder, to give and receive notices and other communications, to make waivers or other agreements, to exercise all rights and options, to bring Proceedings in the name of the granting party or otherwise, and generally to do and receive anything that the granting party is or may be entitled to do or receive thereunder or with respect thereto.

"Group A Country": Australia, Canada, the United Kingdom, the Federal Republic of Germany or The Netherlands (so long as the U.S. dollar denominated sovereign debt obligations of such jurisdiction are rated at least "Aa2" by Moody's and the foreign currency issuer credit rating assigned by S&P to such jurisdiction is at least "AA" and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications)).

"Group B Country": Austria, Belgium, Bermuda, Denmark, Finland, France, Ireland, Italy, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden or Switzerland or any other member state of the European Union (as of the Closing Date) identified from time to time by the Servicer and subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency with respect thereto (so long as the U.S. dollar denominated sovereign debt obligations of such jurisdiction are rated at least "Aa2" by Moody's and the foreign currency issuer credit rating assigned by S&P to such jurisdiction is at least "AA" and, in each case, is not put on credit watch (with negative implications)).

"Hedge Agreement": Collectively, the Cap Agreement and each interest rate swap agreement, interest rate cap agreement, interest rate floor agreement, cash flow swap

agreement, coupon timing swap (including in each case related schedules, confirmations and credit support documents) or similar agreements entered into to hedge interest rate exposure or timing or accrual mismatches with respect to the Portfolio Collateral pursuant to Section 2.14.

"Hedge Counterparty": Collectively, the Cap Provider and each other institution with which the Issuer enters into a Hedge Agreement and, except with respect to the Cap Provider, with respect to which Rating Agency Confirmation is obtained, or any permitted assignees or successors thereof with respect to which Rating Agency Confirmation is obtained.

"HFP Shares": Preferred Shares beneficially owned or controlled by Highland Financial Partners, L.P., an affiliate of the Servicer.

"Holder" and "Noteholder": The Person in whose name a Note or a Combination Note is registered in the Note Register or, with respect to a Preferred Share Component of the Combination Notes, the Share Register.

"Indenture": This Indenture, as supplemented or amended in accordance with the terms hereof.

"Independent": When used with respect to any specified Person means such a Person who (a) is in fact independent of the Issuer and any other obligor upon the Notes and the Servicer or any Affiliate of the Issuer or such other obligor or the Servicer, (b) does not have any direct financial interest or any material indirect financial interest in the Issuer or in any such other obligor or the Servicer or in an Affiliate of the Issuer or such other obligor or the Servicer, and (c) is not connected with the Issuer or any such other obligor or the Servicer or any Affiliate of the Issuer or such other obligor or the Servicer as an officer, employee, promoter, underwriter, trustee, partner, director or Person performing similar functions. "Independent" when used with respect to any accountant may include an accountant who audits the books of such Person if in addition to satisfying the criteria set forth above the accountant is independent with respect to such Person within the meaning of Rule 101 of the Code of Ethics of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Whenever it is provided herein that any Independent Person's opinion or certificate shall be furnished to the Trustee, such Person shall be appointed by Issuer Order and such opinion or certificate shall state that the signer has read this definition and that the signer is independent within the meaning thereof. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, Bear Stearns shall be "Independent" for all purposes hereof.

"Initial Consent Period": The period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee provided notice of a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 82 hereof to the Holders of any Notes or Preferred Shares.

"Initial Deposit Redemption": A redemption of the Class A-1LA Notes pursuant to Section 3.3 hereof.

"Initial Deposit Redemption Amount": The meaning specified in Section 3.3.

"Initial Deposit Redemption Date": The November 2007 Payment Date.



"Initial Portfolio Collateral": The Portfolio Collateral that, in the case of CLO Securities, will be purchased on or prior to the Closing Date and, in the case of Portfolio Loans, will be purchased on or before the Closing Date or identified by the Issuer and for which commitments will be entered into on or prior to the Closing Date for purchase on or as soon as practicable after (not scheduled to exceed sixty (60) days after) the Closing Date with the net proceeds from the sale of the Notes and the net proceeds from the sale of the Preferred Shares on the Closing Date, which Initial Portfolio Collateral is set forth on Schedule A hereto.

"Initial Portfolio Collateral Amount": U.S. \$900,000,000 (or such larger Aggregate Principal Amount of Portfolio Collateral as may be purchased on the Closing Date by the Issuer).

"Initial Purchaser Notes": Notes of any Class, if any, initially issued to or purchased by any Initial Purchaser or an Affiliate of any such Initial Purchaser on the Closing Date.

"Initial Purchasers": Each of Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. and Cantor Fitzgerald & Co.

"Insolvency Event": With respect to any Person, means that:

(i) an involuntary proceeding shall be commenced or an involuntary petition shall be filed seeking (a) liquidation, reorganization or other relief in respect of such Person or its debts, or of all or substantially all of its assets, under any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar law now or hereafter in effect or (b) the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, conservator or similar official for such Person or for all or substantially all of its assets, and, in any such case, such proceeding or petition shall continue undismissed for 30 days; or an order or decree approving or ordering any of the foregoing shall be entered; or

(ii) such Person shall (a) voluntarily commence any proceeding or file any petition seeking liquidation, reorganization or other relief under any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar law now or hereafter in effect, (b) consent to the institution of, or fail to contest in a timely and appropriate manner, any proceeding or petition described in clause (i) above, (c) apply for or consent to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator or conservator or for all or substantially all of its assets, (d) file an answer admitting the material allegations of a petition filed against it in any such proceeding, (e) make a general assignment for the benefit of creditors or (f) take any action for the purpose of effecting any of the foregoing.

"Institutional Accredited Investor": An Institutional Investor that is also an "accredited investor" as defined in Rule 501(a)(1), (2), (3) or (7) under Regulation D.

"Institutional Investor": Any one of the following persons: (i) any bank, trust company or national banking association, acting for its own account or in a fiduciary capacity, (ii) any charitable foundation or eleemosynary institution, (iii) any insurance company, (iv) any pension or retirement trust or fund for which any bank, trust company, national banking association or investment adviser registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as

amended from time to time, is acting as trustee or agent, or that manages its own assets, having funds of at least \$5,000,000, (v) any investment company, as defined in the Investment Company Act, (vi) any college or university, (vii) any government or public employees' pension or retirement system, or any other governmental agency supervising the investment of public funds, or (viii) any corporation, limited liability company, business trust or partnership having total assets in excess of \$5,000,000.

"Interest Coverage Ratio": with respect to any Payment Date after the second Payment Date, a number (expressed as a percentage) calculated by dividing (a) four times the amount by which (i) the Collateral Interest Collections received or scheduled to be received during the Due Period in which such calculation occurs (other than Collateral Interest Collections (including deferred interest thereon) scheduled to be received on any item of Portfolio Collateral that is not paying or expected to pay current interest), exceeds (ii) the Periodic Reserve Amount (excluding amounts payable on the Class B-1L Notes and the Class B-2L Notes) as of such Payment Date, by (b) the Aggregate Principal Amount of Class A Notes with respect to such Payment Date, as adjusted, to take into account any O/C Redemption to occur on the Payment Date related to such Due Period pursuant the Indenture pursuant to Section 11.2 hereof.

For purposes of calculating the Interest Coverage Ratio, any item of Portfolio Collateral as to which any interest or other payment thereon is subject to withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction, each such payment of interest or other payment thereon will be deemed to be payable net of such withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax unless, in the case of a withholding tax, the issuer thereof or obligor thereon is required to make additional payments to fully compensate the Issuer for such withholding taxes (including in respect of any such additional payments) and on any date of determination, the amount of any scheduled payment due on any future date will be assumed to be made net of any such uncompensated withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax based upon withholding or other applicable tax rates in effect on such date of determination.

"Interest Coverage Test": A test which is applicable on each Payment Date after the second Payment Date and will be satisfied as of such determination date if the Interest Coverage Ratio will be at least 1.5%.

"Internal Rate of Return": With respect to any Payment Date, the annualized discount rate at which the sum of the discounted values of the following cashflows is equal to zero, assuming discounting on a quarterly basis as of each Payment Date: (1) the Notional Amount of the Preferred Shares (which amount will be deemed to be negative for purposes of this calculation), (2) each distribution of Collateral Interest Collections made to the holders of the Preferred Shares on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Internal Rate of Return, such Payment Date and (3) each distribution of Collateral Principal Collections made to the holders of the Preferred Shares on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Internal Rate of Return, such Payment Date.

"Investment Company Act": The United States Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended from time to time.

"Investor Representation Letter": A certificate delivered by a prospective transferee of a Note in the form of Exhibit C hereto.

"Irish Paying Agent": RSM Robson Rhodes LLP, or any successors thereto.

"Issuer": The meaning specified in the first sentence of this Indenture.

"Issuer Base Administrative Expenses": With respect to any Payment Date, the administrative expenses paid or payable by the Issuer during the applicable Due Period, including, without limitation, taxes, government fees, indemnities, registered office fees and expenses for third party loan pricing services and accountants, if any, in the following order: (i) *pro rata*, taxes of the Co-Issuers, surveillance fees, shadow rating fees and credit estimate fees with respect to the Notes and any existing or potential Portfolio Collateral, if any, of the Rating Agencies; fees due to any Listing and Paying Agent; fees due to any stock exchange on which any Class of the Notes or the Preferred Shares are listed; governmental fees, registered office fees and any other fees which are deemed necessary by the Servicer for administration of the Trust Estate, and (ii) *pro rata* reimbursement of expenses (including indemnities) of the Servicer required to be paid pursuant to the Servicing Agreement, the Cap Provider required to be paid pursuant to the Cap Agreement, and all expenses of the Administrator, the Listing and Paying Agent, the Securities Intermediary (if not the same person as the Trustee), the accountants and any fiscal agent retained in connection with the issuance of income notes, if any, in which the primary collateral for such income notes are obligations of the Issuer and all other administrative expenses of the Co-Issuers, each as determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date and as set forth in the related Note Valuation Report.

"Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses": With respect to any Payment Date, (i) the Trustee Administrative Expenses for the Due Period relating to such Payment Date in excess of the amount paid pursuant to Clause FIRST of Section 11.1(b) for the corresponding period, (ii) the Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses for the Due Period relating to such Payment Date in excess of the amount paid pursuant to clause FIRST of Section 11.1(b) for the corresponding period and (iii) the administrative expenses or other amounts (including indemnities) paid or payable by the Issuer during the applicable Due Period, as determined as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date and as set forth in the related Note Valuation Report, in excess of the amount of the Issuer Base Administrative Expenses paid pursuant to Clause SECOND of Section 11.1(b).

"Issuer Order" and "Issuer Request": A written order or request dated and signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or a Person designated in writing by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer.

"LIBOR": For any Periodic Interest Accrual Period, the London interbank offered rate for three-month (or, for the period from the Closing Date to the November 2007 Payment Date, as described in Section 2.11 hereof) U.S. dollar deposits, as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.11 hereof.

"LIBOR Determination Date": The second London Business Day prior to the commencement of a Periodic Interest Accrual Period.

"Loan Funding Account": The account specified in Section 10.2 as that maintained by the Trustee into which the Issuer shall remit the full amount of the Issuer's commitment to make or otherwise fund draws related to any Delayed Drawdown Loans or Revolving Loans in the Portfolio Collateral.

"London Business Day": Any day on which dealings in deposits in U.S. dollars are transacted in the London interbank market.

"Majority Noteholders": The Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Outstanding Notes, voting as a single class; *provided* that upon the occurrence of a Default or an Event of Default pursuant to Section 5.1 hereof, "Majority Noteholders" shall mean the Holders of more than 50% of the Controlling Class, voting together as a single class.

"Majority Preferred Shareholders": The Holders of more than 50% of the outstanding Preferred Shares.

"Mandatory Redemption": An O/C Redemption or a Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption.

"Mandatory Redemption Date": Any Payment Date on which an O/C Redemption or a Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption is required.

"Mandatory Redemption Price": When used with respect to an O/C Redemption or a Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption, an amount equal to the principal amount of the Notes being redeemed (or, in the case of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes and the Class B-2L Notes, first to pay any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to such Notes and then to pay principal).

"Market Value": On any date of determination with respect to an item of Portfolio Collateral, any of:

(a) the average of the bid-side prices for the purchase of such item of Portfolio Collateral determined by an Approved Pricing Service that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer); or

(b) the arithmetic average of bid-side quotations for the purchase of such item of Portfolio Collateral obtained by the Servicer from three or more broker-dealers (*provided* if upon reasonable efforts of the Servicer, quotations from three broker-dealers are not available, the lower of the quotations from two broker-dealers may be used), in each case, Independent from the Servicer, in the relevant market; *provided* that one such bid must be from a broker-dealer other than Bear Stearns or an Affiliate of Bear Stearns and any bid received from Bear Stearns or an Affiliate of Bear Stearns hereunder cannot be more than 10% higher than the next highest bid; and

(c) if the determinations of the broker-dealers specified in the foregoing clauses (a) or (b) are not available (as reasonably determined by the Servicer) and so long as the Servicer is subject to the Investment Advisors Act of 1940, as amended, the lesser

of (A) the bid-side market value of such item of Portfolio Collateral as certified by the Servicer as consistent with reasonable and customary market practice and (B) the higher of (X) 70% of the Principal Balance of such item of Portfolio Collateral as of such date and (Y) the Principal Balance of such item of Portfolio Collateral as of such date multiplied by its S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate; *provided*, that, as of any date of determination (x) no more than 5.0% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of Portfolio Collateral may have market values determined in the manner provided in this clause (c) and (y) if the item of Portfolio Collateral constitutes collateral for any other issuer or account managed or serviced by the Servicer or its Affiliates, the Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral determined pursuant to this clause (c) shall be consistent with the market value applied by the Servicer or its Affiliates for such item of Portfolio Collateral for such for such other issuers or accounts; and

(d) if the market value cannot be determined in the manner described in clause (a), (b) or (c) above, an amount equal to the Principal Balance of the Portfolio Collateral as of such date multiplied by the Applicable Percentage for such item of Portfolio Collateral; *provided*, that if the market value cannot be determined in the manner described in clauses (a), (b) or (c) above for more than thirty (30) Business Days immediately following any date such market value is determined pursuant to this clause (d), then the market value of such item of Portfolio Collateral shall be automatically deemed to be zero following such 30-Business-Day period until the market value can be determined in the manner described in clause (a), (b) or (c) above as of any date of determination;

*provided* that (A) for purposes of determining Market Value, but subject to clause (b) hereof, Bear Stearns will be deemed to be Independent from the Servicer (*provided* that any quotes received from such entity will be on an arm's-length basis); (B) the Market Value of any item of Portfolio Collateral with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment to sell but has not settled will be deemed to be the agreed sales price therefor (determined exclusive of accrued interest); and (C) the Market Value is determined only for purposes of compliance with covenants, coverage tests, overcollateralization tests, or any other requirements or tests set forth herein, or the determination of redemption prices.

**"Maturity"**: With respect to any Note or Combination Note, the date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of such Note or Combination Note becomes due and payable as therein and herein provided, whether at the Final Maturity Date or by declaration of acceleration or otherwise.

**"Maturity Extension"**: As defined in Section 2.3(b) hereof.

**"Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test"**: A test that will be satisfied with respect to Moody's, by application of the Collateral Quality Matrix and with respect to S&P, if the S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate is initially greater than or equal to (i) with respect to the Class A-1LA Notes, 43.54%, (ii) with respect to the Class A-1LB Notes, 43.54%, (iii) with respect to the Class A-2L Notes 47.27%, (iv) with respect to the Class A-3L Notes, 51.00%, (v) with respect to the Class B-1L Notes, 55.46% and (vi) with respect to the Class B-2L Notes, 59.50%;

*provided* that such percentages may change from time to time to reflect the levels that correspond with the current S&P CDO Monitor.

"Monthly Report": The meaning specified in Section 10.5(a) hereof.

"Moody's": Moody's Investors Service, Inc. or any successor thereto.

"Moody's Approved Ratings Threshold": With respect to an entity (or its guarantor), (x) if such entity has both a long-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating or counterparty rating from Moody's and a short-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating from Moody's, a long-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating or counterparty rating from Moody's of at least "A2" and a short-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating from Moody's of at least "Prime-1", or (y) if such entity has only a long-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating or counterparty rating from Moody's, a long-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating or counterparty rating from Moody's of at least "A1".

"Moody's Asset Correlation Test" or "MAC Test": A test satisfied on each Measurement Date if the Moody's Correlation Factor on such Measurement Date (rounded up to the nearest whole number) is equal to or less than the designated Moody's Correlation Factor determined by application of the Collateral Quality Matrix.

"Moody's Correlation Factor": a single number determined by the Servicer in accordance with the correlation methodology provided to the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator by Moody's, and for which the number of assets represented by (N) on the calculation shall always equal 100.

"Moody's Default Probability Rating": For a Portfolio Loan which is (i) a Senior Secured Loan, the Moody's corporate family rating for the obligor of such Portfolio Loan and, if any such obligor does not have a Moody's corporate family rating, such rating will be determined in accordance with the methodology described in Schedule F or (ii) a Non-Senior Secured Loan, the Moody's senior unsecured rating for the obligor of such Portfolio Loan and, if any such obligor does not have a Moody's senior unsecured rating, such rating will be determined by reference to the Moody's long-term issuer rating of the obligor of such Portfolio loan and, if such obligor does not have a Moody's senior unsecured rating or a Moody's long-term issuer rating, such rating will be determined in accordance with the methodology described in Schedule F.

"Moody's Priority Category": Senior Secured Loans, Non-Senior Secured Loans, DIP Loans and/or Synthetic Securities.

"Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate": For any item of Portfolio Collateral, the percentage specified in the definition of the term "Applicable Percentage" opposite the Moody's Priority Category of such item of Portfolio Collateral, taking into account the Rating Subcategories Difference applicable to such item of Portfolio Collateral.

"Moody's Rating": The rating determined in accordance with the methodology described in Schedule F.

"Moody's Required Ratings Threshold": With respect to an entity (or its guarantor), (x) if such entity has both a long-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating or counterparty rating from Moody's and a short-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating from Moody's, a long-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating or counterparty rating from Moody's of at least "A3" or a short-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating from Moody's of at least "Prime-2", or (y) if such entity has only a long-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating or counterparty rating from Moody's, a long-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating or counterparty rating from Moody's of at least "A3".

"Moody's Second Level Downgrade": Occurs when no Relevant Entity satisfies the Moody's Required Rating Threshold.

"Moody's Weighted Average Rating": Shall have the meaning set forth in Schedule F.

"Moody's Weighted Average Rating Test": A test that will be satisfied by application of the Collateral Quality Matrix.

"Moody's Weighted Average Rating Test for CLO Securities": Shall have the meaning set forth in Schedule F.

"Moody's Weighted Average Recovery Rate": The number obtained by summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each item of Portfolio Collateral (excluding Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) by the Applicable Percentage (according to the Moody's Priority Category) applicable to such item of Portfolio Collateral as set forth in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" above, dividing such sum by the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Portfolio Collateral, and rounding up to the fourth decimal place.

"Non-Senior Secured Loan": A Portfolio Loan that is not a Senior Secured Loan.

"Non-Call Period": The period beginning on the Closing Date and ending on August 1, 2010.

"Non-Consenting Holder": With respect to any supplemental indenture proposed pursuant to the Indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of the Notes or the Preferred Shares, any such Holder, or, in the case of Notes or Preferred Shares in global form, any beneficial owner, that either (i) has declared in writing that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) has not consented to such supplemental indenture within 15 Business Days from the date on which the Trustee provided notice of such proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture to such Holder or beneficial owner; *provided*, that in the case of the Non-Call Period, "Non-Consenting Holder" shall exclude any Holder of Class A-1LA Notes (unless such Holder has consented in writing to be designated as a Non-Consenting Holder) and the Amendment Buy-Out Option shall not be applicable to such Class A-1LA Notes.

"Non-U.S. Obligor": An issuer of or obligor on an item of Portfolio Collateral that is located outside the United States and is not a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor.

"Non-U.S. Person": A Person who is not a U.S. Person.

"Non-U.S. Person Certificate": A certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit G hereto.

"Note Component": The Component of the Combination Note representing an interest in Class B-1L Notes having an initial Aggregate Principal Amount of U.S.\$6,750,000.

"Noteholder" and "Holder": The Person in whose name a Note or a Combination Note is registered in the Note Register or, with respect to a Preferred Share Component of the Combination Notes, the Share Register.

"Noteholder Report": The meaning specified in Section 10.5(c) hereof.

"Note Register" and "Note Registrar": The respective meanings specified in Section 2.5 hereof.

"Note Valuation Report": The meaning specified in Section 10.5(b) hereof.

"Notes": The A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes, the Combination Notes (to the extent of the Class Note Component) and the Class B-2L Notes.

"Notice": The meaning specified in Section 13.3 hereof.

"Notional Amount": When used with respect to the Preferred Shares, as of any date of determination, \$1.00 per Preferred Share.

"O/C Redemption": The redemption of a Class or Classes of Notes (including, with respect to the Class B-1L Notes and the Class B-2L Notes, the applicable Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount, as set forth herein), to the extent necessary such that the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test are satisfied, such tests to be calculated according to the method prescribed by Annex A and Annex B, respectively.

"Offer": With respect to any security, (a) any offer by the issuer of such security or by any other Person made to all of the holders of such class of security to purchase or otherwise acquire all such securities (other than pursuant to any redemption in accordance with the terms of the related Underlying Instruments) or to exchange such securities for any other security or other property or (b) any solicitation by the issuer of such security or any other Person to amend, modify or waive any provision of such security or any related Underlying Instrument.

"Officer": With respect to any corporation or company other than the corporation or company acting as Trustee, the Chief Executive Officer, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary or the Treasurer of such corporation or any other officer duly authorized by the Board of Directors; and with respect to the Trustee (and any other bank or trust company acting as trustee of an express trust or as custodian), any Responsible Officer thereof.



"Officer's Certificate": A certificate signed on behalf of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Servicer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Servicer, as the case may be.

"Opinion of Counsel": A written opinion, addressed to the Trustee (or on which the Trustee may rely) and in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee, of an attorney at law admitted to practice before the highest court of any state of the United States or the District of Columbia or, with respect to matters relating to the laws of the Cayman Islands, the Cayman Islands, which attorney or attorneys may, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, be counsel for the Issuer, the Servicer or the Trustee and who shall be reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee.

"Optional Redemption": The redemption of the Notes pursuant to an Optional Redemption by Liquidation or an Optional Redemption by Refinancing, as applicable.

"Optional Redemption by Liquidation": A redemption of the Notes in whole pursuant to Section 9.1(a) hereof.

"Optional Redemption by Refinancing": A redemption of the Notes in whole pursuant to Section 9.1(b) hereof.

"Optional Redemption Date": The Payment Date fixed by the Issuer for an Optional Redemption, which shall be no earlier than the first Payment Date occurring in August 2010.

"Optional Redemption Price": With respect to each Class of Notes, an amount equal to the aggregate of (i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of such Class of Notes as of the Optional Redemption Date, (ii) the applicable Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Optional Redemption Date, (iii) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payments in respect of such Notes and (iv) the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount (only in connection with a redemption including the Class A-1LA Notes).

"Original HFP Share Amount": The amount of HFP Shares acquired by the Servicer Entities on the Closing Date.

"Original Portfolio Collateral": The Portfolio Collateral, including the Initial Portfolio Collateral, purchased by the Issuer with the Deposit on or before the Effective Date and, in the case of Portfolio Loans, which will be identified by the Issuer and for which commitments will be entered into on or prior to the Effective Date for purchase on or as soon as practicable thereafter (but not scheduled to exceed sixty (60) days thereafter) pursuant to Section 3.4 hereof.

"Original Portfolio Collateral Criteria": The requirements for the acquisition of Original Portfolio Collateral prior to the Effective Date, as set forth in Section 3.4 hereof.

"Outstanding": With respect to the Preferred Shares or the Combination Notes (to the extent of the Preferred Share Component), as of the date of determination and subject to the proviso below, "Outstanding" refers to all Preferred Shares or Combination Notes issued and

indicated in the Share Register as outstanding. With respect to the Notes or the Combination Notes (to the extent of the Note Component), as of the date of determination, "Outstanding" refers to all Notes or Combination Notes theretofore authenticated and delivered under this Indenture except:

(i) Notes or Combination Notes theretofore canceled by the Note Registrar or delivered (or to be delivered pursuant to Sections 2.9 or 9.8 hereof) to the Note Registrar for cancellation;

(ii) Notes or Combination Notes or portions thereof for whose payment or redemption money in the necessary amount has been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for the Holders of such Notes or Combination Note; *provided* that, if such Notes or Combination Notes or portions thereof are to be redeemed, notice of such redemption has been duly given pursuant to this Indenture or provision therefor satisfactory to the Trustee has been made;

(iii) Notes or Combination Notes in exchange for or in lieu of which other Notes or Combination Notes have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to this Indenture, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Notes or Combination Notes are held by a protected purchaser; and

(iv) Notes or Combination Notes alleged to have been mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen for which replacement Notes or Combination Notes have been issued as provided in Section 2.6 hereof;

*provided* that, in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Principal Amount have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver hereunder, Notes or Combination Notes owned by or pledged to the Issuer, the Trustee or any other obligor upon the Notes or Combination Notes or any Affiliate of the Issuer, the Trustee or of such other obligor, and solely for purposes of termination of the Servicer, the Servicer and any Affiliate thereof, shall be disregarded and deemed not to be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying upon any such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver, only Notes Combination Notes that a Responsible Officer of the Trustee has actual knowledge to be so owned or pledged shall be so disregarded.

"Overcollateralization Haircut Amount": With respect to any date of determination, an amount equal to the sum of:

(A) the greatest of the following:

(a) the product of (i) the applicable Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage multiplied by (ii) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all CLO Securities (other than Deferred Interest PIK Bonds and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) on such date of determination that have an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating within the CCC Rating Category;

(b) the product of (i) the applicable Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage multiplied by (ii) the excess, if any, of (x) the Aggregate Principal

Amount of all CLO Securities included in the pledged Portfolio Collateral (other than Deferred Interest PIK Bonds and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) on such date of determination that have an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating within the B Rating Category or an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating within the CCC Category over (y) 5.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount as of the date of determination; *provided* that at no time during the period commencing on the Closing Date through the Final Maturity Date, shall the Aggregate Principal Amount of all CLO Securities exempt from haircut based on subclause (y) above exceed in the aggregate 5.0% of the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount; and

(c) the product of (i) the applicable Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage multiplied by (ii) the excess, if any, of (x) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all CLO Securities included in the pledged Portfolio Collateral (other than Deferred Interest PIK Bonds and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) on such date of determination that have an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating within the BB Rating Category, the B Rating Category or the CCC Rating Category over (y) 15.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount as of the date of determination;

*provided* that for the avoidance of doubt, for purposes of clauses (a), (b) and (c) above, the applicable Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage shall always be applied first to the lowest rated Portfolio Collateral that falls within such clause, then to the next lowest rated Portfolio Collateral, etc., so that the maximum applicable haircut shall be applied to the Portfolio Collateral;

plus

(B) the product of (i) the applicable Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage multiplied by (ii) the excess, if any, of (x) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Portfolio Loans included in the pledged Portfolio Collateral (other than Deferred Interest PIK Bonds and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) on such date of determination that have an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating within the CCC Rating Category over (y) 6.25% of the Aggregate Par Amount as of the date of determination.

"Overcollateralization Haircut Percentage": (i) With respect to CLO Securities with an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating falling within the BB Rating Category, 10%, (ii) with respect to CLO Securities with an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating falling within the B Rating Category, 20%, (iii) with respect to Portfolio Loans with an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating falling within the CCC Rating Category, the greater of (x) 30% and (y) one minus the weighted average Market Value of all Portfolio Loans with an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating falling within the CCC Rating Category and (iv) with respect to CLO Securities with an S&P Rating or a Moody's Rating falling within the CCC Rating Category, 50%.

"Overcollateralization Ratio": The Class A Overcollateralization Ratio, the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio or the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Ratio, as the context may require.

"Overcollateralization Ratio Adjustment": For purposes of calculating the Overcollateralization Ratios (i) items of Equity Portfolio Collateral shall not be included as Portfolio Collateral, (ii) items of Deferred Interest PIK Bonds and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral shall be included at the lesser of (a) the Market Value of such item of Deferred Interest PIK Bonds, Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and (b) the Applicable Percentage for such item of Deferred Interest PIK Bonds and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral multiplied by its Principal Balance; *provided* that any Portfolio Loan that has been an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral for four years shall not be included as Portfolio Collateral and any CLO Security that has been an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral for three years shall not be included as Portfolio Collateral, (iii) with respect to items of Discount Portfolio Collateral, an amount equal to the original purchase price of such item of Discount Portfolio Collateral shall be included as Portfolio Collateral, (iv) to the extent the Aggregate Principal Amount of Current Pay Obligations exceeds 7.5% of the Aggregate Par Amount, such excess shall be included as Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and (v) items of Portfolio Collateral characterized as Current Pay Obligations in (iii) (c) of the Current Pay Obligation definition shall be included at 95% of the Market Value of such item of Portfolio Collateral. If an item of Portfolio Collateral could be classified in more than one of the categories set forth in clauses (i) through (iv), such item of Portfolio Collateral will not be discounted multiple times but will be treated in the applicable category that results in the largest discount to the par amount of such item of Portfolio Collateral. Notwithstanding the foregoing, there may be included as Portfolio Collateral (with respect to items (i) through (iv) above) such greater amount as confirmed by the Rating Agencies which will not result in a reduction or withdrawal of the then-current ratings assigned by them to any Class of the Notes.

"Overcollateralization Tests": With respect to any date of determination, tests met when the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class A Overcollateralization Percentage, the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Percentage and the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Ratio is at least equal to the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Percentage, each relating to such date of determination.

"Partial Deferred Interest Bonds": Any debt obligation, with respect to which a portion of the interest thereon can be partially deferred without causing a payment default of such debt obligation under its underlying documents. For purposes of calculating the Weighted Average Coupon, the portion of interest that is deferrable with respect to any Partial Deferred Interest Bond will be assumed to be zero.

"Participation": With respect to any Portfolio Loan, a participation interest in a commercial loan purchased from a Selling Institution that does not entitle the holder thereof to direct rights against the obligor.

"Paying Agent": The Trustee, the Irish Paying Agent or any other depository institution or trust company authorized by the Co-Issuers pursuant hereto to pay principal of or any interest that may become payable on any Class of Notes on behalf of the Co-Issuers.

"Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement": The agreement dated as of the Closing Date between the Issuer and the Paying and Transfer Agent with respect to the Preferred Shares.

"Paying and Transfer Agent": Investors Bank & Trust Company.

"Payment Date": February, May, August and November of each year, commencing November 1, 2007 (or if any such date is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day).

"Payment Date Equity Securities" shall mean, with respect to any Payment Date, Distributable Equity Securities that the Issuer, in its sole discretion but on the advice of the Servicer, elects to distribute in lieu of cash on such Payment Date to the Holders of Preferred Shares in accordance with the terms hereof.

"Periodic Interest Accrual Period": With respect to any Payment Date, the period commencing on the prior Payment Date (or the Closing Date in the case of the first Payment Date) and ending on the day preceding such Payment Date.

"Periodic Interest Amount": With respect to the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class A-1LB Notes on any Payment Date, the aggregate amount of interest accrued at the Applicable Periodic Rate during the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period on (i) with respect to the first Payment Date, the average daily Aggregate Principal Amount of such Class of Notes during such Periodic Interest Accrual Period, and (ii) thereafter, the Aggregate Principal Amount of such Class of Notes on the first day of such Periodic Interest Accrual Period (after giving effect to any payment of principal of such Class of Notes on such day). With respect to each other Class of Notes and any Payment Date, the aggregate amount of interest accrued at the Applicable Periodic Rate during the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period on the Aggregate Principal Amount of such Class on the first day of such Periodic Interest Accrual Period (after giving effect to any payment of principal of such Class of Notes on such date, including in connection with a redemption of a Class of Notes on any date during the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period).

"Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount": With respect to each Class of Notes and any Payment Date, any shortfall or shortfalls in the payment of the Periodic Interest Amount on such Class of Notes with respect to any preceding Payment Date or Payment Dates, together with interest accrued thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate (net of all Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts, if any, paid with respect to such Class of Notes prior to such Payment Date).

"Periodic Reserve Amount": As of any date of determination, an amount equal to (a) the sum of (i) the Trustee Administrative Expenses and Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses payable on the next succeeding Payment Date; (ii) without duplication of amounts payable pursuant to clause (i) hereof, the Issuer Base Administrative Expenses payable on the next succeeding Payment Date; (iii) the Base Fee Amount payable on the next succeeding Payment Date; and (iv) the Cumulative Interest Amount for the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes and the Class A-3L Notes, and the Periodic Interest Amount for the Class B-1L Notes and the Class B-2L Notes due on the next succeeding Payment Date, *minus* (b) amounts due from any Hedge Counterparty Provider on the next succeeding Payment Date.

"Permanent Global Note": The Rule 144A Global Notes and the Permanent Regulation S Global Notes.

"Permanent Regulation S Global Note": With respect to any Class, the permanent global note issued to Non-U.S. Persons in exchange for the Temporary Regulation S Global Note of such Class after the Distribution Compliance Period, the permanent global note substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibits A-1L-2, A-2L-2, A-3L-2, B-1L-2 and B-2L-2.

"Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor": An issuer of or obligor on an item of Portfolio Collateral that is located in (a) a Group A Country or (b)(i) a Group B Country, (ii) any tax advantaged jurisdiction (including the Cayman Islands, Netherlands Antilles, Bermuda, Ireland, Luxembourg and the Channel Islands) or (iii) any tax advantaged jurisdiction or any tax neutral or other jurisdiction subject to Moody's and S&P confirming to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer that an immediate withdrawal, reduction or other adverse action with respect to any then current rating (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes will not occur as a result of such obligor being a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor, so long as the U.S. Dollar denominated sovereign debt obligations of such jurisdiction are rated at least "Aa2" by Moody's (unless (x) an obligor of such item of Portfolio Collateral is a corporation for which a major source of revenue is from a jurisdiction rated at least "Aa2" by Moody's or (y) such item of the Portfolio Collateral is a CLO Security); *provided* that, with respect to the obligors of an item of Portfolio Collateral qualifying as Permitted Non-U.S. Obligors under this clause (b)(iii), at least 80% of such obligor's underlying assets must be domiciled in the United States or another Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor jurisdiction to so qualify as a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor. For purposes of this definition, the Servicer may specify the location of a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor to be the country in which at least 80% of such obligor's underlying assets are domiciled, if such assets are domiciled in the United States or another Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor jurisdiction; *provided* that the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral as to which the Servicer so specifies the location of a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor may not exceed 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount. If the location of a Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor is specified by the Servicer to be in a country other than where it is domiciled in accordance with the foregoing sentence, for purposes of the concentration limitations and collateral quality tests described herein, such item of Portfolio Collateral will be considered to be domiciled in the country so specified.

"Permitted Transfer": A transfer by novation by a Hedge Counterparty to an entity (the "Transferee") of all, but not less than all, of such Hedge Counterparty's rights, liabilities, duties and obligations under related Hedge Agreement, as applicable, with respect to which transfer each of the following conditions is satisfied: (a) the Transferee is an Eligible Replacement that is a recognized dealer in interest rate derivatives or cashflow derivatives, as the case may be, (b) an "Event of Default" or "Termination Event" under such Hedge Agreement (as such terms are defined under the related Hedge Agreement) would not occur as a result of such transfer, (c) pursuant to a written instrument (the "Transfer Agreement"), the Transferee acquires and assumes all rights and obligations of such Hedge Counterparty under the related Hedge Agreement and the related "Transaction" (as defined in the related Hedge Agreement), (d) the related Hedge Counterparty will be responsible for any costs or expenses incurred in connection with such transfer (including any replacement cost of entering into a replacement transaction); (e) either (A) Moody's has been given prior written notice of such transfer and the Rating

Condition is satisfied with respect to S&P or (B) each Rating Agency has been given prior written notice of such transfer and such transfer is in connection with the assignment and assumption of this Agreement without modification of its terms, other than party names, dates relevant to the effective date of such transfer, tax representations and any other representations regarding the status of the substitute counterparty, notice information and account details and other similar provisions; and (f) such transfer otherwise complies with the terms of this Indenture.

"Person": Any individual, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust (including any beneficiary thereof), unincorporated organization, government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

"PIK Bond": Any item of Portfolio Collateral that, pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments, permits the payment of interest thereon to be deferred and capitalized or otherwise provides that interest will accrue on such deferred interest or that issues identical securities in place of payments of interest in cash.

"Pledged Securities": On any date of determination, the Portfolio Collateral and the Eligible Investments in the Trust Estate.

"Portfolio Collateral": (I) Any United States dollar denominated commercial loan, including participation or assignment interests therein, in Registered form or Registered debt obligation (other than Eligible Investments) of any corporation, limited liability company, partnership, trust or other entity or of the United States government or any agency or instrumentality thereof or of any state or political subdivision or any agency or instrumentality thereof or of any sovereign issuer (including any security entitlement with respect thereto) and any United States Security Entitlement, which obligation, security entitlement or United States Security Entitlement, when Granted to the Trustee or committed to be purchased by the Issuer (with written notice to the Trustee):

- (a) is an "eligible asset" as defined in Rule 3a-7;
- (b) except as permitted under Section 12.10(b), provides for periodic payments of interest thereon in cash no less frequently than semiannually, or, in the case of Portfolio Loans, quarterly;
- (c) provides for a fixed amount of principal to be payable according to a fixed schedule or at maturity;
- (d) is not an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, an item of Equity Portfolio Collateral, a margin stock or an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral;
- (e) is not a zero-coupon bond, a bond that provides for a combination of no coupon and a fixed coupon, a step-up bond (except for step-up bonds providing for the payment of current interest at a rate no less than 5% *per annum* or Collateral LIBOR, if floating rate), other than with respect to the Initial Portfolio Collateral on the Closing Date, a Partial Deferred Interest Bond (except

for such bonds providing for the payment of current interest at a rate no less than 5% *per annum* or Collateral LIBOR, if floating rate);

(f) is not currently the subject of an Offer that would result in (i) the Issuer owning a security not meeting the requirements of Portfolio Collateral, not paying current interest, or, in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, not expected to pay in full at maturity, or (ii) the Issuer receiving Eligible Investments or cash in a par amount less than that of the original security or the subject of an Exchange Offer;

(g) does not provide for conversion or exchange into equity capital at any time over its life (other than the exercise of any warrant, profit participation or other equity-like interest which is a component of a Unit);

(h) with respect to Portfolio Collateral which consists of Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral, has an interest rate which adjusts periodically in accordance with changes in one or more established indices at least one of which is the London interbank offered rate for one-, two-, three- or six-month U.S. dollar deposits and which adjusts at least semiannually or, with respect to items of Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral, has an interest rate that remains constant until the maturity of such obligations or is a Reset Debt Security; *provided* that not more than 5.0% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate may include items of Portfolio Collateral the interest rate on which adjusts in accordance with one or more indices that do not include the London interbank offered rate for one-, two-, three-, or six-month U.S. Dollar deposits;

(i) has coupon or other payments (other than commitment fees, facility fees or other similar fees) that are not subject to U.S. withholding tax and are not at time of purchase subject to foreign withholding tax unless the issuer of the security is required to make "gross-up" payments sufficient to cause the net amount to be received on the debt obligations to equal the amount that would have been paid had no such withholding tax applied;

(j) matures on or before August 1, 2024, or, if a Maturity Extension as occurred, the then applicable Extended Final Maturity Date, except that up to 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may mature after such date but before 5 years after such date; *provided* that, with respect to Portfolio Loans, no more than 3% of the Aggregate Par Amount may mature after August 1, 2024, or, if a Maturity Extension as occurred, the then applicable Extended Final Maturity Date, but before two years after such date and no Portfolio Loans may mature after two years after such date;

(k) the terms of which do not, unless it is a Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan, require the Holder to assume or otherwise undertake any funding obligations or liabilities (of a contingent nature or otherwise);



- (l) is payable only in United States dollars;
  - (m) is not a Current Pay Obligation;
  - (n) is not a Debt Security;
  - (o) the S&P Rating of which does not include a subscript of "r", "t", "p", "pi" or "q" unless otherwise agreed to by Standard & Poor's in writing and a Moody's Rating that addresses the full amount of principal or interest indicated would be paid;
  - (p) during the Revolving Period, CLO Security has a Moody's Rating of "Ba2" or higher and an S&P Rating of "BB" or higher and, after the Revolving Period, are not CLO Securities;
  - (q) are not obligations of Non-U.S. Obligor;
  - (r) are not a PIK Bond which is currently deferring interest payments or receiving payments in-kind pursuant to the terms of the Underlying Instrument; and
  - (s) satisfies, together with the other Portfolio Collateral to be concurrently included in the Trust Estate, the other applicable criteria set forth in this Indenture, including the ratings guidelines and guidelines concerning issuer concentration and industry concentration; or
- (II) a Synthetic Security; *provided* that the Servicer concludes, based on advice of counsel, that the Synthetic Security is an "eligible asset" for purposes of Rule 3a-7.

"Portfolio Improvement Exchange": The disposition, during the Revolving Period, of an item of Portfolio Collateral and corresponding acquisition of one or more items of Substitute Portfolio Collateral which in the aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Test, the Overcollateralization Tests and the other collateral criteria set forth in Section 12.2 being satisfied (or bring the total Portfolio Collateral closer to compliance with any such test or limitation) or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Tests or collateral criteria set forth in Section 12.2 is not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith would be improved and (ii) improving, on a net basis, the quality of the Portfolio Collateral as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Tests and collateral criteria set forth in Section 12.2, and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii) not causing any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Tests or collateral criteria set forth in Section 12.2, to be violated or significantly increase the likelihood of such violation in the future.

"Portfolio Loan": Interests in commercial loans included in the Portfolio Collateral.

"Post-Closing Sale Collateral": An asset acquired by the Issuer which as of the Closing Date has a commitment to be sold by the Issuer within 10 days of the Closing Date.

"Preferred Shares": The 42,200,000 Class I Preferred Shares of the Issuer, par value U.S.\$0.001 per share, and the 44,000,000 Class II Preferred Shares of the Issuer, par value U.S.\$0.001 per share, that will be issued on the Closing Date pursuant to the Issuer's Memorandum of Association and Articles of Association and any further Preferred Shares issued from time to time by the Issuer.

"Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses": With respect to any Payment Date (including without limitation the Final Maturity Date), the Paying and Transfer Agent's administrative fees and expenses (including any indemnities) for the Due Period relating to such Payment Date.

"Preferred Shares Collection Account": The meaning set forth in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement.

"Preferred Share Component": The component of the Combination Notes representing 3,250,000 Preferred Shares.

"Premium": With respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral sold pursuant to the terms hereof or called pursuant to the terms thereof, the excess, if any, of (a) the sale or call price of such item of Portfolio Collateral less any accrued interest with respect to such item of Portfolio Collateral over (b) the Aggregate Principal Amount of such item of Portfolio Collateral.

"Principal Balance": With respect to any Pledged Security, as of any date of determination, the outstanding principal amount of such Pledged Security, *provided* that (i) unless otherwise stated herein or in the Indenture, the "Principal Balance" of any Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan shall refer to the sum of the outstanding aggregate principal amount of such Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan *plus* the amount of the unfunded portion of the Issuer's commitment to make or otherwise fund advances related thereto (to the extent, and without duplication, of amounts on deposit in the Loan Funding Account available to fund such advances), (ii) the "Principal Balance" of any Synthetic Security shall be equal to (a) in the case of any Synthetic Security other than a Default Swap, the outstanding principal amount of the Reference Obligation or the notional amount of the Synthetic Security related thereto and (b) in the case of any Default Swap, the cash and the principal amount of the securities in the related Default Swap Collateral Account reduced by the amount of any payments due and payable to the Default Swap Counterparty by reason of the occurrence of one or more "credit events" or other similar circumstances to the extent such payments have not yet been made; and (iii) with respect to any item of Equity Portfolio Collateral, the "Principal Balance" shall equal zero.

"Proceedings": Any suit in equity, action at law or other judicial or administrative proceeding.

"Proposed Portfolio": The Aggregate Par Amount resulting from the sale, maturity or other disposition of an item of Portfolio Collateral or a proposed purchase of an item of Portfolio Collateral, as the case may be.

"Purchased Accrued Interest": Interest accrued on or purchased with respect to an item of Portfolio Collateral as part of the price paid by the Issuer to acquire such item of Portfolio Collateral less any amount of Collateral Interest Collections applied by the Issuer to acquire such accrued interest at the time of purchase; *provided* that accrued interest on certain CLO Securities as indicated on Schedule A shall not constitute Purchased Accrued Interest.

"Qualified Institutional Buyer": A "qualified institutional buyer" within the meaning of Rule 144A.

"Qualified Purchaser": A "qualified purchaser" within the meaning of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act.

"Quarterly Collateral Amount": With respect to any Due Period, the average of (i) the Aggregate Par Amount of Portfolio Collateral and Eligible Investments on the first day of such Due Period and (ii) the Aggregate Par Amount of Portfolio Collateral and Eligible Investments on the last day of such Due Period. For purposes of such amounts, Equity Portfolio Collateral and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral shall be excluded in calculating the Aggregate Par Amount of the Portfolio Collateral.

"Rating Agencies": Standard & Poor's and Moody's, collectively.

"Rated Balance": With respect to the Combination Notes, initially U.S. \$10,000,000, reduced by all payments on account of the Rated Balance of the Combination Notes, as provided in Section 16.3.

"Rated Coupon": Interest, at the rate of 1.00% per annum, on the Rated Balance of the Combination Notes.

"Rating Condition": With respect to any Rating Agency and any action proposed to be taken under this Indenture, a condition that is satisfied when such Rating Agency has confirmed in writing to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer that no withdrawal, reduction or suspension (and not restored) with respect to any then current rating, if any, by such Rating Agency (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes will occur as a result of such proposed action.

"Rating Confirmation": Written confirmation from each of the Rating Agencies that it has not reduced or withdrawn (and not restored) the rating assigned by it on the Closing Date to any Class of Notes.

"Rating Confirmation Failure": A failure to obtain Rating Confirmation by the 35th day after the Effective Date (or if such day is not a Business Day, the succeeding Business Day).

"Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption": The redemption of a Class or Classes of Notes, as a result of a Rating Confirmation Failure pursuant to Section 9.2.

"Rating Subcategories Difference": The number of ratings subcategories difference between the rating by Moody's or, if not actually rated by Moody's, the Moody's

Rating, of an item of Portfolio Collateral and the Moody's Default Probability Rating of such item of Portfolio Collateral.

"Record Date": With respect to any Payment Date, the Business Day immediately preceding such Payment Date; *provided however*, that if any Definitive Notes are issued, the Record Date for such Definitive Notes shall be fifteen calendar days preceding such Payment Date.

"Redemption Date Statement": The meaning specified in Section 10.5(e) hereof.

"Redemption Record Date": With respect to an Optional Redemption Date, a Special Redemption Date, a Tax Event Redemption Date or a Mandatory Redemption Date, the Business Day preceding such Optional Redemption Date, Special Redemption Date, Tax Event Redemption Date or Mandatory Redemption Date, and with respect to an Initial Deposit Redemption, the last day of the calendar month preceding the month in which the Initial Deposit Redemption Date occurs.

"Reference Banks": Four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer).

"Reference Obligation": A security or other debt obligation that satisfies the definition of Portfolio Collateral other than as to payment terms; *provided* that notwithstanding the definition thereof, a Reference Obligation may be a loan (but not a participation interest in a loan, except as permitted in the Indenture).

"Reference Obligor": The obligor under a Reference Obligation.

"Refinancing": The meaning specified in Section 9.1(b) hereof.

"Refinancing Date": The meaning specified in Section 9.1(b) hereof.

"Refinancing Proceeds": The meaning specified in Section 9.1(b) hereof.

"Registered": When used with respect to any Portfolio Collateral or Eligible Investment, an instrument issued after July 18, 1984, that is in registered form for purposes of the Code.

"Regulation S": Regulation S promulgated under the Securities Act.

"Regulation S Global Note": Temporary Regulation S Global Notes, together with the Permanent Regulation S Global Notes.

"Regulation S Transferor Certificate": A certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit E hereto.

"Relevant Date": The Final Maturity Date, except that if the full amount payable on the Notes has not been duly received by the Trustee or Paying Agent on or prior to the Final

Maturity Date, the "Relevant Date" shall be the date on which such monies have been so received.

"Relevant Entity": A Hedge Counterparty and any Eligible Guarantor under a related Eligible Guarantee.

"Required Portfolio Collateral Amount": U.S. \$1,000,000,000.

"Requisite Noteholders": The Holders of at least 60% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Outstanding Notes (voting as a single class including the Combination Notes, to the extent of the Note Component); *provided* that (i) upon the occurrence of a Default or an Event of Default under this Indenture, "Requisite Noteholders" shall mean the Holders of at least 60% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Controlling Class, voting together as a single Class. If the Person that is acting as Trustee hereunder is a Holder of any Note for its own account, such Person shall be excluded as a Holder for purposes of this definition in connection with the consent or approval by Noteholders of any supplemental indenture affecting the provisions hereof relating to the Trustee.

"Replacement Transaction": With respect to any Terminated Transaction (as defined in a Hedge Agreement), a transaction or group of transactions that (i) would have the effect of preserving for the related Hedge Counterparty to such Hedge Agreement the economic equivalent of any payment or delivery (whether the underlying obligation was absolute or contingent and assuming the satisfaction of each applicable condition precedent) by the parties under such Hedge Agreement in respect of such Terminated Transaction or group of Terminated Transactions that would, but for the occurrence of the relevant "Early Termination Date" (as such term is defined in the related Hedge Agreement), have been required after that date, (ii) has terms which are substantially the same as the related Hedge Agreement, including, without limitation, rating triggers, and credit support documentation, as determined by the Issuer, in its sole discretion, acting in a commercially reasonable manner, and (iii) satisfies the Rating Condition.

"Reserve Account": The meaning specified in Section 10.2 hereof.

"Reserve Amount": A portion of the proceeds from the sale of the Notes in an amount equal to US\$1,500,000 to fund a portion of the payments to be made on the first Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments, and, any remaining funds, to fund any payments of interest or principal on the Notes or any distributions on the Preferred Shares as described in Section 11.1(b).

"Reset Debt Security": An item of Portfolio Collateral bearing a rate of interest that varies periodically (including, without limitation, daily), which at the time of its inclusion in the Trust Estate has a minimum rate of interest of at least 5.0% *per annum* with respect to Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral or Collateral LIBOR with respect to Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral, and which minimum interest rate is not subject to adjustment on or after its inclusion in the Trust Estate, pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instrument to a rate of interest which is lower than the rate of interest borne by such item of Portfolio Collateral on the date that such item of Portfolio Collateral was included in the Trust Estate.

"Responsible Officer": When used with respect to the Trustee, any officer within the Corporate Trust Office (or any successor group of the Trustee) including any vice president, assistant vice president, assistant treasurer, assistant secretary, trust officer or any other officer of the Trustee customarily performing functions similar to those performed by the persons who at the time shall be such officers, respectively, or to whom any corporate trust matter is referred within the Corporate Trust Office because of his or her knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject.

"Retained Accrued Interest" Any accrued and unpaid interest with respect to any Portfolio Collateral which was not included in the purchase price for such collateral at the time of purchase.

"Revolving Loan": A Portfolio Loan that, pursuant to the agreement or instrument that governs the rights and obligations of the parties thereto, would obligate the Issuer, if the Issuer were to purchase such Portfolio Loan for inclusion in the Trust Estate, to make or otherwise fund one or more future advances to the related borrower.

"Revolving Period": The period beginning on the Closing Date and ending on the earliest of (i) August 1, 2014 for Portfolio Loans or August 1, 2012 for CLO Securities or, in the case of an Extension, the Extended Revolving Period End Date; *provided* that Portfolio Loans and CLO Securities may be purchased for the period of any such Extension, and (ii) the occurrence and continuance of an Event of Default; *provided* that in no event shall date of termination of the Revolving Period be determined on the basis of the Market Value of the Portfolio Collateral.

"Rule 144A": Rule 144A promulgated under the Securities Act.

"Rule 144A Global Note": With respect to any Class (other than the Class B-2L Notes), the permanent global note issued to U.S. Persons.

"Rule 144A Transferor Certificate": A certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit D hereto.

"Rule 3a-7": Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act.

"Sale": The meaning specified in Section 5.18 hereof.

"Sale Restriction Condition": Shall mean (x) with respect to sales of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, if the rating of the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB or the Class A-2L Notes has been downgraded at least one rating sub-category below the original rating by Moody's (and such original rating has not been restored to the original rating) or the original rating of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes or the Class B-2L Notes has been downgraded at least two rating sub-categories by Moody's (and has not been restored to a rating no more than one rating sub-category below the original rating of such Class of Notes), or if the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio is less than 90% of the Class A Overcollateralization Percentage or (y) with respect to sales of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, if the original rating of the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes or the Class A-2L Notes has been downgraded at least one rating sub-category by Moody's (and such original rating has not been

restored) or the original rating of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes or the Class B-2L Notes has been downgraded at least two rating sub-categories by Moody's (and has not been restored to a rating no more than one rating sub-category below the original rating of such Class of Notes).

"Schedule of Portfolio Collateral": The Initial Portfolio Collateral listed on Schedule A hereto, as amended from time to time to reflect Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate, including the inclusion of Portfolio Collateral purchased pursuant to Section 3.4(a) hereof, the inclusion of Additional Portfolio Collateral as provided in Section 11.3 hereof, the release of Portfolio Collateral pursuant to Article X hereof, and the inclusion of Substitute Portfolio Collateral as provided in Section 12.4 hereof.

"Scheduled Distribution": With respect to any Pledged Security, for each Due Date after the date of determination, the scheduled payment of principal and/or interest due on such Due Date with respect to such Pledged Security, determined in accordance with the assumptions specified in Section 1.3 hereof.

"Secured Parties": The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses hereof.

"Securities Act": The United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

"Securities Intermediary": The meaning specified in Section 6.15 hereof.

"Securities Lending Account": The meaning specified in Section 10.2 hereof.

"Securities Lending Agreements": The meaning specified in Section 7.19 hereof.

"Securities Lending Collateral": The meaning specified in Section 7.19 hereof.

"Securities Lending Counterparty": The meaning specified in Section 7.19 hereof.

"Selling Institution": The seller of a Participation or, if applicable, its guarantor, which has a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A2" by Moody's and at least "A" by S&P at the time such Participation is committed to be acquired by the Issuer.

"Senior Class A Notes": The Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes and the Class A-2L Notes.

"Senior Class A Overcollateralization Ratio" With respect to a determination made as of any date of calculation, the ratio (expressed as a percentage) obtained by dividing (a) the sum of (1) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate (other than items of Equity Portfolio Collateral, which shall not be included as Portfolio Collateral) as of such date, *plus* (2) the sum of the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Collection Account representing Collateral Principal Collections plus the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Initial Deposit Account plus unpaid Purchased Accrued Interest, each as of such date by (b) the sum of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Senior Class A Notes (including for this purpose any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts with respect to such Class of Notes not paid when due, until such amounts, if any, are paid in full) as of such date.

"Senior Secured Loan": A loan that (i) is not (and by its terms is not permitted to become) subordinate in right of payment to any other debt for borrowed money incurred by the obligor under such loan and (ii) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under such Senior Secured Loan, which security interest or lien is not subordinate to the security interest or lien securing any other debt for borrowed money. For the avoidance of doubt, any second lien Portfolio Loan which has a Moody's obligation rating at least equal to the Moody's corporate family implied rating of such issuer, will be treated as Senior Secured Loan for the purposes of determining Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate.

"Servicer": Highland Capital Management, L.P., unless and until a successor Person becomes the servicer pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement, and thereafter "Servicer" shall mean such successor Person.

"Servicer Entities": Collectively, the Servicer, entities affiliated with the Servicer or clients of the Servicer.

"Servicer Order" and "Servicer Request": A written order or request dated and signed in the name of the Servicer by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer.

"Servicing Agreement": The Servicing Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Servicer, and if amended as permitted therein and in Section 14.1(f), as so amended.

"Servicing Fee Portion": 100% minus (a) for any Payment Date prior to February 3, 2008, the Class II Preferred Share Percentage for such Payment Date and (b) for any other Payment Date, a percentage selected by the Servicer in its sole discretion.

"Share Register": The register maintained under the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement for the Preferred Shares and any other shares of the Issuer.

"Share Registrar": Maples Finance Limited or any successor thereto appointed by the Issuer.

"Special Redemption": A redemption of the Notes pursuant to Section 9.4 hereof.

"Special Redemption Date": The Payment Date during the Revolving Period fixed by the Issuer for a Special Redemption.

"Special Redemption Price": When used with respect to a Special Redemption, an amount equal to the principal amount of the Notes being redeemed (or, in the case of the Class B-1L Notes and the Class B-2L Notes, first to pay any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to such Notes and then to pay principal).

"Standby Directed Investment": Initially, Investors Bank & Trust overnight sweep account, "Investcash", or such other Eligible Investments as may be subsequently designated as the "Standby Eligible Investment" by written instruction of the Servicer to the Trustee.



"Standard & Poor's" or "S&P": Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc., or any successor thereto.

"Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor": The dynamic, analytical computer model developed by Standard & Poor's and used to estimate default risk of Portfolio Collateral and provided to the Servicer, the Issuer and the Trustee on or before the Effective Date, as it may be modified by Standard & Poor's in connection with its confirmation of the ratings of the Notes following the Closing Date.

"Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor Test": A test that is satisfied if, after giving effect to the sale of an item of Portfolio Collateral or the purchase of an item of Portfolio Collateral (or both), as the case may be (i) the S&P Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive or (ii) the S&P Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is greater than the S&P Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio.

"Standard & Poor's Industry Category": When used with respect to an item of Portfolio Collateral, any of the industry categories established by Standard & Poor's set forth in Schedule B hereto, and any additional categories that may be subsequently established by Standard & Poor's.

"Standard & Poor's Preferred Format": A Microsoft Excel file (or such other format agreed by Standard & Poor's) of the Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor input file and, with respect to each item of Portfolio Collateral, the name of each obligor thereon, the CUSIP number thereof (if applicable) and the Standard & Poor's Industry Category thereof.

"Standard & Poor's Rating" or "S&P Rating": The rating determined in accordance with the methodology described in Schedule D.

"S&P Approved Ratings Threshold": With respect to an entity (or its guarantor), a short-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating from S&P of at least "A-1", or, if such entity does not have a short-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating from S&P, a long-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating from S&P of at least "A+".

"S&P Break-Even Loss Rate": At any time, the maximum percentage of defaults which the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, can sustain, as determined by S&P through application of the Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor Test, which, after giving effect to S&P's assumptions on recoveries and timing and to the priority of payments, will result in sufficient funds remaining for the principal repayment of the Notes in full and the timely payment, as applicable, of interest on each Class of Notes.

"S&P First Level Downgrade": Occurs when no Relevant Entity satisfies the S&P Approved Rating Threshold.

"S&P Loss Differential": At any time, the rate calculated by subtracting the S&P Scenario Loss Rate from the S&P Break-Even Loss Rate at such time.

"S&P Priority Category": Senior secured Portfolio Loans and Debt Securities, second lien Portfolio Loans, senior unsecured Portfolio Loans and Debt Securities, subordinated Portfolio Loans and Debt Securities, DIP Loans and Synthetic Securities.

"S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate": For any item of Portfolio Collateral, the percentage specified in the definition of the term "Applicable Percentage" opposite the S&P Priority Category of item of Portfolio Collateral.

"S&P Required Ratings Threshold": With respect to an entity (or its guarantor), a long-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating from S&P of at least "BBB-" or a short-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt rating from S&P of at least "A3".

"S&P Scenario Loss Rate": At any time, an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, consistent with a "AAA" rating of the Class A-1L Notes, a "AA" rating of the Class A-2L Notes, a "A" rating of the Class A-3L Notes, a "BBB" rating of the Class B-1L Notes and a "BB" rating of the Class B-2L Notes, in each case by Standard & Poor's, determined by application of the Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor at such time.

"S&P Second Level Downgrade": Occurs when no Relevant Entity satisfies the S&P Required Rating Thresholds.

"S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate": The number obtained by summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each item of Portfolio Collateral (excluding Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) by the Applicable Percentage (according to the S&P Priority Category) applicable to such item of Portfolio Collateral as set forth in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" above, dividing such sum by the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Portfolio Collateral (excluding Defaulted Portfolio Collateral), and rounding up to the fourth decimal place.

"Subsequent Delivery Date": A date fixed by the Issuer for the delivery of an item of Portfolio Collateral to be included in the Trust Estate after the Effective Date.

"Substitute Portfolio Collateral": An item of Portfolio Collateral that is Delivered to the Trustee under this Indenture as security for the Notes in accordance with Section 12.4 hereof.

"Supplemental Fee Amount": The amount used to pay the Supplemental Servicing Fee pursuant to clause FIFTEENTH(a) of Section 11.1(c)(i) and clause FIFTEENTH(a) of Section 11.(d).

"Supplemental Servicing Fee": For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Supplemental Fee Amount for such Payment Date and (b) the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date.

"Suspension Trigger Event": As of any date of determination, (I) the ratio (expressed as a percentage) obtained by dividing (a) the sum of (1) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate as of such date, calculated in accordance

with the Overcollateralization Ratio Adjustment less the Overcollateralization Haircut Amount, if any, plus (2) the sum of the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Collection Account, representing Collateral Principal Collections plus the Balance of Eligible Investments and cash in the Initial Deposit Account plus unpaid Purchased Accrued Interest, each as of such date by (b) the sum of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes (including for this purpose any unpaid Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts with respect to such Classes of Notes not paid when due, until such amounts, if any, are paid in full) as of such date, is less than (II) 110%.

"Synthetic Security": Any (I) U.S. dollar denominated swap transaction, security issued by a trust or similar vehicle or other asset purchased from or entered into by the Issuer with a Synthetic Security Counterparty the returns on which (as determined by the Servicer) are linked to the credit performance of a Reference Obligation, but which may provide for a different maturity, payment dates, interest rate, interest rate basis or other non-credit related terms than such Reference Obligation; *provided* that, (A) (i) such Synthetic Security will not require the Issuer to make any payment to the Synthetic Security Counterparty after the initial purchase of or entry into such Synthetic Security by the Issuer (other than payments to the Synthetic Security Counterparty from the Default Swap Collateral Account), (ii) the ownership of such Synthetic Security, based on the Servicer's determination (which may include consultation with counsel to the Issuer), is not expected to subject the Issuer to withholding tax unless the Synthetic Securities Counterparty is required to make "gross-up" payments sufficient to cause the net amount to be received by the Issuer in respect of such Synthetic Security to equal the amount that would have been paid had no such withholding tax applied, (iii) such Synthetic Security terminates on or prior to the redemption or repayment in full of the Reference Obligation, (iv) such Synthetic Security will not constitute a commodity option, leverage transaction or futures contract that is subject to the jurisdiction of the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission, (v) the acquisition of such Synthetic Security would not cause the Issuer to be "engaged in a U.S. trade or business" for federal income tax purposes or otherwise to become subject to U.S. corporate net income tax, (vi) the Underlying Instrument with respect to such Synthetic Security is governed by the laws of the State of New York, contains a non-petition clause and a limited recourse clause, each as against the Issuer, and is documented with a standard ISDA form master agreement, as modified by appropriate schedules and confirmations and from time to time as determined by the Servicer based on industry practice, and (B) either (i) such Synthetic Security is a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or (ii) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the purchase of such Synthetic Security; *provided further*, that any Synthetic Security shall be positively indexed to the related Reference Obligation on no more than a one-to-one basis and (II) any Default Swap; *provided, however*, that, with respect to a Synthetic Security other than a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, a Majority of the Controlling Class shall have approved such Synthetic Security; *provided, further* that with respect to a Form-Approved Synthetic Security for which consent by the Rating Agencies to use the form in this transaction has been sought after the Closing Date, a Majority of the Controlling Class shall have consented to the use of such form.

"Synthetic Security Counterparty": An entity which is required to make payments to the Issuer on a Synthetic Security to the extent that the issuer of the related Reference Obligation makes payments thereon pursuant to the terms of such Synthetic Security and any Default Swap Counterparty.

"Tax Event Redemption": A redemption of the Notes in whole pursuant to Section 9.5 hereof.

"Tax Event Redemption Date": The Payment Date fixed by the Issuer for a Tax Event Redemption.

"Tax Event Redemption Price": An amount equal to the aggregate of (i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Notes as of the Tax Event Redemption Date and (ii) the applicable Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to each Class of Notes as of the Tax Event Redemption Date.

"Temporary Regulation S Global Notes": With respect to any Notes issued to Non-U.S. Persons that will be represented by a temporary global note, the temporary global note substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibits A-1L-1, A-2L-1, A-3L-1, B-1L-1 and B-2L-1.

"Transaction Documents": This Indenture, each Hedge Agreement, the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Servicing Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement.

"Transfer Agent": Any transfer agent appointed by the Issuer.

"Transferor Certificates": Collectively, the Regulation S Transferor Certificate and the Rule 144A Transferor Certificate.

"Trust Estate": The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses of this Indenture.

"Trust Termination Date": The date on which the obligations of the Issuer hereunder are terminated as set forth in Section 4.1 or Section 9.11 hereof.

"Trustee": As defined in the first sentence of this Indenture.

"Trustee Administrative Expenses": With respect to any Payment Date (including without limitation the Final Maturity Date), fees, expenses and other amounts (including indemnities) due or accrued and payable to the Trustee for the Due Period relating to such Payment Date, including, but not limited to, all amounts payable to the Trustee under Section 6.7 hereof and all fees and expenses pursuant to duties performed as Collateral Administrator and Paying and Transfer Agent, *provided* such payment pursuant to clause FIRST of Section 11.1(b) shall not exceed on such Payment Date one-quarter of 0.0275% of the Aggregate Par Amount as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Date (such amount subject to a minimum of U.S.\$74,000 per annum), plus U.S.\$7,500 per annum for payments of expenses and certain other amounts under Section 6.7, if any.

"Trustee Fee Letter Agreement": The Trustee fee letter agreement, dated as of April 23, 2007.

"Trustee Payment-Related Event of Default": An Event of Default caused solely by and based solely upon a failure to pay any amounts owing to the Trustee or the Paying and

Transfer Agent pursuant to Section 6.7 hereof or to the Paying and Transfer Agent pursuant to Section 11 of the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement (other than the amount payable to the Trustee as its fee (but not expenses) under the Trustee Fee Letter Agreement).

"UCC": The New York Uniform Commercial Code.

"Underlying Instrument": With respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral, any loan participation agreement, loan assignment agreement, indenture, pooling and servicing agreement, trust agreement, instrument, or other agreement pursuant to which such item of Portfolio Collateral has been created or issued or of which the holders of such item of Portfolio Collateral are the beneficiaries, and any instrument evidencing or constituting such item of Portfolio Collateral (in the case of Portfolio Collateral evidenced by or in the form of instruments).

"Underlying Loan and Security Agreement": Any agreement (other than an Underlying Instrument) which governs the terms of or guarantees or secures the obligations represented by any Portfolio Collateral or of which the holders of such Portfolio Collateral are the beneficiaries (which in the case of a Portfolio Loan which is a Participation shall include the loan and security documentation with respect to the underlying loan).

"Unit": An item of Portfolio Collateral with a warrant, profit participation or other equity-based feature (including but not limited to convertible bonds) included as a component thereof which otherwise meets the requirements for Portfolio Collateral; *provided* that (i) the value of such warrant, profit participation or other equity-based feature at the time of purchase, as determined by the Servicer in good faith, is less than 2% of the purchase price of such item of Portfolio Collateral and (ii) such warrant, profit participation or other equity-like feature at the time of purchase shall not, relate to or be exchangeable for, margin stock.

"United States Regulations": 31 C.F.R. Part 357, Subpart B; 12 C.F.R. Part 615, Subparts O, R and S; 12 C.F.R. Part 987; 12 C.F.R. Part 1511; 24 C.F.R. Part 81, Subpart H; 31 C.F.R. Part 354; 18 C.F.R. Part 1314; and 24 C.F.R. Part 350.

"United States Security Entitlement": A Security Entitlement as defined in a United States Regulation.

"Unregistered Securities": The meaning specified in Section 5.18(c) hereof.

"Unscheduled Principal Proceeds": Collateral Principal Collections received by the Issuer from an unscheduled prepayment, in whole or in part, by the obligor of an item of Portfolio Collateral prior to the stated maturity date of such item of Portfolio Collateral, including without limitation, any Collateral Disposition Proceeds received from the sale of any item of Portfolio Collateral received in an Offer, Exchange Offer or similar tender, whether such tender required action on the part of the Issuer or otherwise.

"USA PATRIOT Act": The Uniting and Strengthening America By Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001.

"U.S. Person":

- (i) (a) a citizen of the United States;
  - (b) a natural person who is a resident of the United States or a resident alien of the United States as defined by section 7701(b) of the Code;
  - (c) any partnership (unless otherwise provided in the regulations), corporation or other entity created, organized or incorporated in or under the laws of the United States, its states, territories or possessions, or the District of Columbia;
  - (d) any estate or trust as defined by section 7701(a)(30)(D) and (E) of the Code, respectively; or
- (ii) as defined in Regulation S, as the context may require.

"Waived Additional Servicing Fee": As defined in Section 11.5.

"Waived Servicing Fees": As defined in Section 11.5.

"Waived Supplemental Servicing Fee": As defined in Section 11.5.

"Weighted Average Coupon": The amount (rounded up to the nearest 0.001%) determined by summing the products obtained by multiplying, for each item of Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral then included in the Trust Estate (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral), the Principal Balance of such item of Portfolio Collateral and the stated rate of interest of such item of Portfolio Collateral and then dividing such sum by the Aggregate Principal Amount of all of the Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) as of such date of determination.

"Weighted Average Coupon Test": A test that will be satisfied if the Weighted Average Coupon of the Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral (after giving effect to any Coupon Adjustment) is at least equal to 7.5% per annum as of the date of determination (or such lower per annum rate that the Rating Agencies have confirmed would not result in a withdrawal or downgrade of any of the then current ratings assigned by them to the Notes).

"Weighted Average Life": As of any date of determination, the amount determined by summing the products obtained by multiplying, for each item of Portfolio Collateral (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) then included in the Trust Estate, the Principal Balance of such item of Portfolio Collateral and the Average Life (as such term is defined below) of such item of Portfolio Collateral as of such date of determination and then dividing such sum by the Aggregate Principal Amount of all of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate as of such date of determination. For any item of Portfolio Collateral (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral), the "Average Life" shall be equal to the number of years obtained by dividing (a) the Principal Balance of such item of Portfolio Collateral into (b) the sum of the products obtained by multiplying (i) the amount of each of the remaining, required principal payments on such item of Portfolio Collateral by (ii) the number of years

(calculated to the nearest one-twelfth) that will have elapsed between such date of determination and the making of such payment.

"Weighted Average Life Requirement": A test that will be satisfied on any date of determination if the Weighted Average Life on such date of all items of Portfolio Collateral (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) is equal to or less than the number of years set forth in Schedule I hereto opposite the period set forth in Schedule I hereto in which such test is being measured. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Weighted Average Life may vary from the restrictions set forth above, if the Rating Agencies have confirmed such variance would not result in a withdrawal or downgrade of any of the then current ratings assigned by them to the Notes.

"Weighted Average Margin": The amount (rounded up to the nearest 0.001%) equal to (i) the sum of the products obtained by multiplying the margin over Collateral LIBOR on each item of Floating Rate Collateral (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) as of the date of calculation (which will be determined for items of Floating Rate Collateral that do not bear interest based on Collateral LIBOR by expressing the current interest rate on such Floating Rate Collateral as a margin above or below three-month LIBOR on the date of determination, which margin will be expressed as a negative number if such current interest rate is lower than three-month LIBOR) by the Principal Balance of such item of Floating Rate Collateral (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) as of such date, divided by (ii) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all such Floating Rate Collateral (other than items of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral) on such date. For purposes of calculating the Weighted Average Margin for any Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan, the principal balance representing the funded portion will be multiplied by the margin above Collateral LIBOR and the principal balance representing the unfunded portion will be multiplied by the commitment fee related thereto. If an item of Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral does not provide for Collateral LIBOR, the margin for this purpose shall be equal to the then applicable interest rate minus then current LIBOR. If an item of Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral has a Collateral LIBOR floor, the excess of such floor rate over Collateral LIBOR will be added to the margin above Collateral LIBOR for purposes of calculating the Weighted Average Margin of such item of Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral.

"Weighted Average Margin Test": A test that will be satisfied by application of the Collateral Quality Matrix, after giving effect to any Coupon Adjustment.

#### Section 1.2. Other Definitional Provisions.

All references in this instrument to designated "Annexes," "Articles," "Sections," "Subsections" and other subdivisions are to the designated Annexes, Articles, Sections, Subsections and other subdivisions of this instrument as originally executed. The words "herein," "hereof," "hereunder" and other words of similar import refer to this Indenture as a whole and not to any particular Annex, Article, Section, Subsection or other subdivision. Unless the context otherwise requires, terms defined in the UCC and not otherwise defined in this Indenture shall have the meanings set forth in the UCC. Any reference herein to money or other property that is to be deposited in or is on deposit in a securities account shall also mean that such money or other property is to be credited to, or is credited to, such securities account.

Any reference herein to a "beneficial interest" in a security also shall mean, unless the context otherwise requires, a security entitlement with respect to such security, and any reference herein to a "beneficial owner" or "beneficial holder" of a security also shall mean, unless the context otherwise requires, the holder of a security entitlement with respect to such security.

Section 1.3. [Assumptions as to Portfolio Collateral and Trust Estate.](#)

Except as otherwise expressly set forth herein, in connection with all calculations required to be made pursuant to this Indenture with respect to Scheduled Distributions on any Pledged Security, or any payments on any other assets included in the Trust Estate, and with respect to the income that can be earned on Scheduled Distributions on such Pledged Securities and on any other amounts that may be received for deposit in the Collection Account, the provisions set forth in this Section 1.3 shall apply.

All calculations with respect to Scheduled Distributions on the Pledged Securities shall be made on the basis of information as to the terms of each such Pledged Security and upon accounting of payments, if any, received on such Pledged Security that are furnished by or on behalf of the issuer of such Pledged Security and such information or report may be conclusively relied upon in making such calculations.

For each Due Period, the Scheduled Distributions on any Pledged Security (excluding any item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and Equity Portfolio Collateral, as to which Scheduled Distributions shall be assumed to be zero) shall be the amount required to be paid (including coupon payments, accrued interest, scheduled principal payments, if any, by way of sinking fund payments which are assumed to be on a *pro rata* basis or other scheduled amortization of principal (excluding any optional redemption), return of principal, and redemption premium, if any) that, if paid as scheduled, will be available in the Collection Account at the end of such Due Period. For purposes of calculating interest on Pledged Securities that have a rate of interest which varies with an objective index, the interest to be received thereon shall be assumed to be equal to the interest that would be received on such Pledged Security if the rate of interest accruing on such Pledged Security on the date of determination were to remain constant for each succeeding Due Period.

Each Scheduled Distribution with respect to a Pledged Security shall be assumed to be received on the applicable Due Date, and each such Scheduled Distribution shall be assumed to be immediately deposited in the Collection Account and to earn interest at the Assumed Interest Rate. All funds assumed to earn interest as provided herein shall be assumed to continue to earn interest at the applicable rate until the date on which they are required to be available in the Collection Account for application, in accordance with the terms hereof, to payment of principal of or interest on the Notes or other amounts payable or otherwise for application in accordance with the terms of this Indenture.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Indenture if the Trustee receives an Issuer Order or Issuer Request and also receives a Servicer Order or Servicer Request with respect to the same subject matter, the Issuer Order or Issuer Request, as the case



may be, shall supersede any such Servicer Order or Servicer Request and be the controlling order or request hereunder.

## ARTICLE II

### THE NOTES

#### Section 2.1. Forms Generally.

(a) The Notes, the Combination Notes and the Trustee's certificate of authentication thereon shall be in substantially the forms required by this article with such appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions and other variations as are required or permitted by this Indenture, and may have such letters, numbers or other marks of identification and such legends or endorsements placed thereon, as may, consistently herewith, be determined by the Authorized Officer of the Issuer executing such Notes and Combination Notes as evidenced by such Authorized Officer's execution of such Notes and Combination Notes. Any portion of the text of any Note or Combination Note may be set forth on the reverse thereof, with an appropriate reference thereto on the face of the Note or Combination Note.

(b) Regulation S Notes. The Class A-1L Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes, the Class B-2L Notes and the Combination Notes initially sold to Non-U.S. Persons in "offshore transactions" (within the meaning of Regulation S) shall be represented initially by single global notes (the "Temporary Regulation S Global Notes") in fully registered form without coupons, authenticated and delivered in substantially the forms attached hereto as Exhibit A-1L-1, Exhibit A-2L-1, Exhibit A-3L-1, Exhibit B-1L-1, Exhibit B-2L-1 and Exhibit C-1 respectively. The Issuer shall deposit such Notes and the Combination Notes on behalf of the subscribers for such Notes with the Trustee as custodian (in such capacity, the "Custodian") for the Depository, registered in the name of a nominee of the Depository, for the accounts of each of the Clearance Systems, for credit by the Clearance Systems to the respective accounts designated by the subscribers of such Notes or Combination Notes (or to such other accounts as they may direct) at each of the Clearance Systems. The Temporary Regulation S Global Notes shall be exchanged for interests in the Permanent Regulation S Global Notes as set forth below. The Permanent Regulation S Global Notes shall be substantially in the form set forth as Exhibit A-1L-2, Exhibit A-2L-2, Exhibit A-3L-2, Exhibit B-1L-2, Exhibit B-2L-2 and Exhibit C-2.

During the Distribution Compliance Period, beneficial interests in Class B-2L Notes and Combination Notes issued in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Note may be transferred for an interest in a Definitive Note of such Class pursuant to and as provided in Section 2.5(b), and after the expiration of the Distribution Compliance Period beneficial interests in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note of each Class shall be exchanged for a Permanent Regulation S Global Note for such Class pursuant to and as provided below.

Without unnecessary delay but in any event prior to the termination of the Distribution Compliance Period, the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent the Permanent Regulation S Global Notes executed by the Co-Issuers. Upon the

termination of the Distribution Compliance Period any Notes or Combination Notes in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Note shall be surrendered by the Custodian to the Trustee, in each case as the Issuer's agent for such purpose (or, at the Authenticating Agent's option, the Custodian shall be instructed by the Authenticating Agent or the Trustee to endorse each such Temporary Regulation S Global Note to reduce the principal amount thereof), to be exchanged, in whole or from time to time in part, for a Permanent Regulation S Global Note without charge, and the Authenticating Agent shall authenticate and deliver to the Custodian for delivery in exchange for each such Temporary Regulation S Global Note or the portions thereof to be exchanged, an equal aggregate principal amount of a Permanent Regulation S Global Note, as shall be specified by the Custodian; *provided that*, upon such presentation by the Custodian: (i) the Trustee receives a certificate substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit F attached hereto, and signed by the respective Clearance System as to the portions of each Temporary Regulation S Global Note held for the respective accounts of such Clearance System, that it has received from each beneficial owner of the portion of each Temporary Regulation S Global Note then to be exchanged, written certification substantially to the effect set forth in Exhibit G attached hereto, with such changes therein as shall be approved by the Issuer, (ii) none of the Trustee or any Paying Agent have actual knowledge, nor have they received notification from the Issuer with respect to the original issuance and distribution of the Global Notes that such Person has actual knowledge, that such certificate is false, and (iii) the Trustee and any Paying Agent do not have a United States address as the address for payment to any Holder of the Permanent Regulation S Global Note issuable upon such exchange. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event of redemption in whole or acceleration of all or any part of the Notes prior to the termination of the Distribution Compliance Period, the Permanent Regulation S Global Notes will not be issuable in respect of the Temporary Regulation S Global Note or portion thereof, and payment thereon will be made as provided in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note. Any other Class of Note in the form of a Temporary Regulation S Global Note presented to the Trustee for a Permanent Regulation S Global Note shall be endorsed by the Trustee to reduce the principal amount thereof by the amount so exchanged, and shall then be returned to the Custodian, pending exchange of the remaining balance thereof pursuant to the terms hereof.

On each Payment Date, if any, that falls on or prior to the date on which all Temporary Regulation S Global Notes shall have been exchanged for Permanent Regulation S Global Notes (the "Exchange Date"), interest, if any, and principal on the Temporary Regulation S Global Notes shall be paid to the Custodian, acting on behalf of the Clearance System for the benefit of persons for whom the Clearance System holds the Temporary Regulation S Global Notes on each such Payment Date to the extent the Clearance System has delivered a certificate or certificates, appropriately completed and signed, in substantially the form set forth in Exhibit F attached hereto, which certificate or certificates shall be dated the relevant Payment Date and shall be delivered to the Custodian.

The Issuer will obtain from each Clearance System an agreement that it will credit principal and interest, if any, as of each Payment Date that falls on or prior to the termination of the Distribution Compliance Period, received in respect of each Temporary Regulation S Global Note to the respective accounts of the persons for whom the Clearance System holds a Temporary Regulation S Global Note on each such Payment Date, upon, and only upon, receipt of certificates from such account holders in substantially the form set forth in Exhibit G attached hereto to be dated on or before each relevant Payment Date (copies of such form being available

from the offices of Clearstream at 67, Boulevard Grande-Duchesse Charlotte, Luxembourg, the offices of Euroclear at 1 Boulevard du Roi Albert II, B-1210 Brussels, Belgium and each other Paying Agent of the Issuer).

Interest and principal payable prior to the Exchange Date in respect of any portion of any Temporary Regulation S Global Note representing Class B-2L Notes or Combination Notes as to which no certificate required by the third preceding paragraph hereof has been received from the Clearance System shall be held by the Trustee for payment together with delivery of Permanent Regulation S Global Notes upon receipt of the certification required hereby.

Upon any such exchange of a portion of any Temporary Regulation S Global Note for a Permanent Regulation S Global Note, the Custodian shall endorse (or, as provided above, the Trustee shall instruct the Custodian to endorse) such Temporary Regulation S Global Note to reflect the reduction of the principal amount evidenced thereby.

(c) Rule 144A Global Notes. The Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes initially sold to U.S. Persons (within the meaning of Rule 144A) shall be represented by single global notes (the "Rule 144A Global Notes") in fully registered form without coupons, authenticated and delivered in substantially the forms attached hereto as Exhibit A-1L-3, Exhibit A-2L-3, Exhibit A-3L-3, and Exhibit B-1L-3 respectively, which the Issuer shall deposit on behalf of the subscribers for such Notes with the Custodian for the Depository and registered in the name of Cede & Co., the nominee of DTC. The Aggregate Principal Amount of each Rule 144A Global Note may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Custodian for DTC or its nominees, as the case may be.

(d) Definitive Class B-2L Notes and Combination Notes. The Class B-2L Notes and the Combination Notes initially issued to U.S. Persons in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act shall be issued as definitive notes ("Definitive Notes") in fully registered form without coupons, authenticated and delivered in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit B-2L-4 and Exhibit C-4, respectively. On or prior to the Closing Date, the Issuer shall provide to the Trustee or Authenticating Agent (as applicable) an Issuer Order setting forth the amount of Class B-2L Notes and the Combination Notes (if any) to be issued on the Closing Date in the form of Definitive Notes and registration and delivery instructions (together with payment, taxpayer identification and other necessary information) for each of the Definitive Notes to be issued on the Closing Date. Interest and principal on the Definitive Notes will be paid to the registered holder thereof as indicated in the Note Register, and, in the case of the Preferred Share Component of the Combination Notes, the Share Register.

(e) Book-Entry Provisions. This Section 2.1(e) shall apply only to Regulation S Global Notes or Rule 144A Global Notes ("Global Notes") deposited with or on behalf of the Depository. On or prior to the Closing Date, the Issuer shall provide (i) to the Trustee or Authenticating Agent (as applicable) an Issuer Order setting forth the amount of Notes (if any) to be issued on the Closing Date in the form of Temporary Regulation S Global Notes and Rule 144A Global Notes for each Class, and (ii) to the Depository written instructions

listing the names and addresses of the initial beneficial owners of the Temporary Regulation S Global Notes and the Rule 144A Global Notes of each Class or of the Combination Notes (if any) and the amounts of their respective ownership interests (together with payment instructions, taxpayer information and such other information as DTC reasonably may require). A Temporary Regulation S Global Note may be initially issued for each Class with an outstanding principal balance of zero (and the same may be reduced to zero at any time during the Distribution Compliance Period without cancellation).

(f) Definitive Notes. If at any time (including without limitation during the Distribution Compliance Period) (i) the Temporary Regulation S Global Notes or the Permanent Regulation S Global Notes or any of them become immediately due and repayable pursuant to Article Five hereof or (ii) any of DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream (A) is closed for business for a continuous period of 14 days (other than by reason of holiday, statutory or otherwise) or (B) announces an intention permanently to cease business and no alternative clearance system satisfactory to the Issuer is available or (iii) as a result of any amendment to, or change in, the laws or regulations of the Cayman Islands or of any authority therein or thereof having power to tax or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations which becomes effective on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer or any Paying Agent is or will be required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Notes which would not be required were the Notes in definitive registered form or (iv) the Issuer so elects by notice to the Noteholders and Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, does not object (as determined by the Issuer), then the Issuer will issue Definitive Notes in exchange for and to the extent of such Global Notes within 30 days of the occurrence of the relevant event set forth in (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) above.

If at any time (i) the Notes or any of them become immediately due and payable following an Event of Default hereunder or (ii) DTC notifies the Issuer or the Trustee in writing that it is unwilling or unable to discharge properly its responsibilities as a depository with respect to the Rule 144A Global Notes or it ceases to be a "clearing agency" registered under the Exchange Act, and the Issuer is unable to locate a qualified successor within 90 days after such notice, then the Issuer will issue Definitive Notes in exchange for and to the extent of such Rule 144A Global Notes within 30 days of the occurrence of the relevant event set forth in (i) or (ii) above.

The Issuer shall notify the Trustee forthwith upon the occurrence of any of the events referred to in the two immediately preceding paragraphs and the Issuer shall, unless the Trustee agrees otherwise, promptly give notice thereof and of its obligation to issue Definitive Notes to the Noteholders. Upon giving such notice, the Issuer promptly shall cause the Custodian, as the case may be, to present forthwith for exchange and surrender such Global Note to the Trustee, for cancellation, together with appropriate exchange, registration, payment and delivery instructions (identifying according to its records the beneficial holders to whom, and in the amounts, the Definitive Notes are to be registered and delivered), upon which the Trustee shall be entitled to rely conclusively. The Issuer shall prepare, execute and deliver to the Trustee at its specified office a sufficient number of duly executed Definitive Notes not later than the 20th day following the date of such notice, and the Trustee shall then promptly authenticate and deliver the appropriate number and amount of such Definitive Notes in accordance with the instructions received from the Custodian.

(g) Form of Notes. The Notes and the Combination Notes shall be typed, printed, lithographed or engraved or produced by any combination of these methods or may be produced in any other manner, all as determined by the Authorized Officers of the Issuer or Co-Issuers, as applicable, executing such Notes or Combination Notes, as evidenced by the Authorized Officers' execution of such Notes or Combination Notes.

Section 2.2. Authorized Amount.

The aggregate principal amount of Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, Class A-2L Notes, Class A-3L Notes, Class B-1L Notes (including such Notes represented by the Note Component) and Class B-2L Notes that may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture is limited to \$635,000,000, \$115,000,000, \$76,000,000, \$48,000,000, \$36,000,000 and \$26,000,000, respectively, except for Notes authenticated and delivered upon registration of transfer of, or in exchange for, or in lieu of, other Notes pursuant to Section 2.5, 2.6 or 8.5 hereof.

The Combination Notes consisting of the Note Component representing an Aggregate Principal Amount of Class B-1L Notes of U.S. \$6,750,000 (which is included in the Class B-1L Notes referred to in the immediately preceding paragraph) and the Preferred Share Component representing 3,250,000 Preferred Shares, shall be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture and shall have an initial Aggregate Principal Amount of U.S. \$10,000,000.

Section 2.3. Denominations; Extension of Revolving Period and Final Maturity.

(a) Each Class of the Notes and the Combination Notes shall be issuable on the Closing Date in the forms set forth herein, without coupons, in minimum denominations of \$200,000 and integral multiples of \$1 in excess thereof (in each case expressed in terms of the stated or principal amounts thereof, as the case may be, at the Closing Date).

(b) The Issuer, if directed by the Board Resolution of the Issuer at the request of the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Revolving Period to the applicable Extended Revolving Period End Date up to a maximum of four times (so that the Notes can only be extended to 2040) if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date in accordance with this Section 2.3, (ii) the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.3(d) are satisfied, (iii) the Issuer has given written notice to the Trustee of its election to extend the Revolving Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date and (iv) no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing. If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Final Maturity Date of the Notes and the Combination Notes shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Final Maturity Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Notes, Combination Notes or Preferred Shares (other than as may be required pursuant to the Extension Conditions) or amendment or supplement to this Indenture or the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement (the "Maturity Extension"); *provided* that the Issuer will not be permitted to effect more than four Maturity Extensions.

(c) In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder or Beneficial Owner of Notes, Combination Notes or Preferred Shares wishing to sell such Notes, Combination Notes or Preferred Shares to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to Section 2.3(d) (such Notes and Preferred Shares as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, "Extension Sale Securities"). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, each Holder providing an Extension Sale Notice shall be deemed to agree that no Extension Sale Securities of any Holder shall be purchased unless all Extension Sale Securities of all Holders are purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date and the other Extension Conditions are satisfied as of such date.

(d) The Maturity Extension shall be effective only if the following conditions (the "Extension Conditions") are satisfied:

(i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the applicable Extension Effective Date;

(ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions herein, in the Indenture and the Preferred Share Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement immediately after such purchase and the legends on such Notes, Combination Notes and Preferred Shares and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency);

(iii) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to S&P (so long as any Notes are then rated by S&P) and (b) either (A) the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Ratio is at least 105% and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied as of the related Extension Determination Date and the Interest Coverage Test was satisfied on the immediately preceding Payment Date, the rating of each Class of Notes or Combination Notes by Moody's has not been downgraded, withdrawn or qualified from that in effect on the Closing Date (unless it subsequently has been reinstated to the rating assigned on the Closing Date) or (B) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to Moody's (so long as any Notes or Combination Notes are then rated by Moody's); and

(iv) (A) the Holders of 100% of the Outstanding Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes have delivered the Extension Sale Notice in the Extension Sale Notice Period or (B) if the Holders of 100% of the Outstanding Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes fail to deliver an Extension Sale Notice pursuant to the preceding clause (A), either (x) the Issuer, acting through the Servicer, notifies the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes in writing not later than the last day of the Extension Sale Notice Period that such Class A-1LA Notes shall constitute "Extension Sale Securities" (as a result of which such Class A-1LA Notes must be purchased by an Extension Qualifying

Purchaser) or (y) the Holders of 100% of the Outstanding Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes have consented in writing to the Maturity Extension not later than the last day of the Extension Sale Notice Period; *provided* that if the Extension Conditions are not satisfied because the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes have failed to deliver an Extension Sale Notice or have failed to provide their written consent to the related Maturity Extension, then the Servicer may extend the Extension Sale Notice Period by seven Business Days if the Servicer reasonably believes that it will receive such Extension Sale Notice or written consent within seven Business Days following the end of the Extension Sale Notice Period.

The Issuer, the Trustee and, by its acceptance of the Notes, Combination Notes or Preferred Shares, each Holder or Beneficial Owner of Notes, Combination Notes or Preferred Shares agrees that the Initial Purchasers or any placement agent shall not be responsible for causing the Extension Conditions to be satisfied and shall not be liable to any such person or Holder of Notes, Combination Notes or Preferred Shares (whether or not such Holder gave an Extension Sale Notice with respect to its Notes, Combination Notes or Preferred Shares) or to any other person if the Extension Conditions are not satisfied. Failure of the Extension Conditions to be satisfied shall not constitute a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture.

(e) The following procedure shall apply to effect any extension of the Revolving Period or the Maturity Date, pursuant to Section 2.3:

(i) No later than three Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Issuer of its election to extend the Revolving Period (the "Extension Notice"), at the cost of the Issuer the Trustee shall deliver the Extension Notice to all Holders of Notes, Combination Notes and the Preferred Shares Paying and Transfer Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preferred Shares and the Combination Notes with respect to the Preferred Share Component) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes, Combination Notes are Outstanding), and shall request the Rating Condition for the Maturity Extension from S&P, if applicable. Such Extension Notice shall include a statement to the effect that (i) no Extension Sale Notice delivered after the end of the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be effective and (ii) subject to Section 2.3(d)(iv)(B), only the Class A-1LA Notes for which an Extension Sale Notice has been delivered may be treated as Extension Sale Securities pursuant to the Extension Conditions (with the result that the Class A-1LA Notes must be purchased by an Extension Qualifying Purchaser).

(ii) Any Holder of Notes, Combination Notes or Preferred Shares may give irrevocable notice (an "Extension Sale Notice") within 30 days after the Trustee has delivered the Extension Notice (the "Extension Sale Notice Period") of its intention to sell its Notes, Combination Notes or Preferred Shares to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of Notes (other than the Class A-1LA Notes as described in clause (d)(iv) above) ,

Combination Notes or Preferred Shares that has not given such an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be entitled to sell its Notes, Combination Notes or Preferred Shares to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension.

(iii) If the Holders of 100% of the Outstanding Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes have not delivered the Extension Sale Notice to the Trustee by the 20th calendar day after the date of the Extension Notice, the Trustee shall notify the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes of the date on which the Extension Sale Notice Period shall end and include a statement to the effect that (A) no Extension Sale Notice delivered after the end of the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be effective and (B) the Class A-1LA Notes for which no Extension Sale Notice has been delivered may be treated as Extension Sale Securities pursuant to clause (iv) of the Extension Conditions (as a result of which the Class A-1LA Notes must be purchased by an Extension Qualifying Purchaser).

(iv) If clause (iii)(b)(A) of the Extension Conditions is not satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date as determined by the Issuer (or its agent), the Trustee shall request the Rating Condition to be satisfied with respect to Moody's.

(v) On the applicable Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or its agent) shall confirm (A) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Notes, Combination Notes or Preferred Shares in compliance with all transfer restrictions in the Indenture and the legends on such Notes, Combination Notes or Preferred Shares and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (B) whether the requirements of clause (iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date and (C) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

(vi) On each Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension shall become effective hereunder; *provided* that all Extension Conditions set forth above are satisfied. No later than two Business Days after each Extension Effective Date, the Trustee based on a determination made by the Issuer, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall deliver a notice to all Holders of Notes and the Preferred Shares Paying and Transfer Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preferred Shares), the Servicer, Bear Stearns, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) and the Irish Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class of Notes is listed thereon) confirming whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension became effective, the Issuer shall make any required notifications thereof to the Depository for any Notes subject to the Maturity Extension. None of Bear Stearns, the Servicer or



any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

(vii) In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Holder of Notes (other than Extension Sale Securities) shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment to the extent of available funds and as provided in Section 11.1. Holders of the Preferred Shares shall not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment. The obligation to make any Extension Bonus Payment shall not be rated by Rating Agencies.

(f) The Extension Bonus Payment shall be payable to any applicable qualifying Beneficial Owners who have provided the Trustee with an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification on or before the 5th Business Day prior to the first Payment Date from and including each Extension Effective Date on which funds are available to be used for such purposes in accordance with Priority of Payments, but in any event, no later than the earlier of the Final Maturity Date and the date of redemption of the Notes. Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments on a Payment Date shall not be considered "due and payable" hereunder but are due and payable on the next Payment Date on which funds are due and payable. The failure to pay any such Extension Bonus Payment on such date shall not be an Event of Default, unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Final Maturity Date and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Notes. Unpaid Extension Bonus Payments shall not accrue interest. Such amounts shall be paid, in the case of the Notes, to the accounts designated in the applicable Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification or, to the extent otherwise required by the rules of any applicable securities exchange or clearing agency, in a manner determined by the Issuer.

#### Section 2.4. Execution, Authentication, Delivery and Dating.

The Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes shall be executed on behalf of the Issuer, and the Class B-2L Notes and the Combination Notes (to the extent of the Note Component) shall be executed on behalf of the Issuer, by an Authorized Officer of each of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable. The signature of such Authorized Officers on the Notes or the Combination Notes may be manual or facsimile.

Notes or the Combination Notes bearing the manual or facsimile signature of an individual who was at any time the Authorized Officer of the Co-Issuers (as applicable) shall bind the applicable Co-Issuer, notwithstanding the fact that such individual has ceased to hold such office prior to the authentication and delivery of such Notes or Combination Notes or did not hold such office at the date of issuance of such Notes or Combination Notes.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Indenture, the Co-Issuers may deliver the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes, and the Issuer may deliver the Class B-2L Notes and the Combination Notes, executed by the Co-Issuer (or the Issuer with respect to the Class B-2L Notes and the Combination Notes) to the Trustee for authentication

and the Trustee (or an Authenticating Agent on its behalf), upon Issuer Order, shall authenticate and deliver such Notes and the Combination Notes as provided in this Indenture and not otherwise.

Each Note or Combination Notes authenticated and delivered by the Trustee (or the Authenticating Agent) to or upon Issuer Order on the Closing Date shall be dated as of the Closing Date. All other Notes or Combination Notes that are authenticated after the Closing Date for any other purpose hereunder shall be dated the date of their authentication.

Notes or Combination Notes issued upon transfer, exchange or replacement of other Notes or Combination Notes shall be issued in authorized denominations reflecting the original aggregate stated or principal amount of the Notes or Combination Notes so transferred, exchanged or replaced, but shall represent only the stated or principal amount of the Notes so transferred, exchanged or replaced. If any Note or Combination Notes is divided into more than one Note or Combination Notes in accordance with this Article II, the stated or original principal amount of such Note or Combination Note shall be proportionately divided among the Notes or Combination Notes delivered in exchange therefor and shall be deemed to be the aggregate stated or original principal amount of such subsequently issued Notes or Combination Notes.

No Note or Combination Note shall be entitled to any benefit under this Indenture or be valid or obligatory for any purpose, unless there appears on such Note or Combination Notes a certificate of authentication, substantially in the form provided for herein, executed by the Trustee (or Authenticating Agent, as provided below) by the manual signature of one of its Authorized Officers, and such certificate upon any Note or Combination Notes shall be conclusive evidence, and the only evidence, that such Note has been duly authenticated and delivered hereunder.

Upon the request of the Issuer, the Trustee shall and, at the election of the Trustee, the Trustee may, appoint one or more Authenticating Agents with power to act on its behalf and subject to its direction in the authentication of Notes or Combination Notes in connection with transfers and exchanges thereof hereunder as fully to all intents and purposes as though each such Authenticating Agent had been expressly authorized by this Indenture to authenticate the Notes; *provided* that any such appointment shall be upon terms and conditions reasonably acceptable to the Trustee (with respect to which the Trustee may require, among other things, appropriate indemnification for any damages, losses or reasonable costs arising from acts or omissions of such Authenticating Agent). For all purposes of this Indenture, the authentication of Notes or Combination Notes by an Authenticating Agent pursuant to this Section shall be deemed to be an authentication of such Notes "by the Trustee."

Investors Bank & Trust Company, is hereby appointed, at the request of the Issuer, as Authenticating Agent for purposes of authenticating Definitive Notes issued in exchange for beneficial interests in the Global Notes.

RSM Robson Rhodes LLP is hereby appointed, at the request of the Issuer, as the initial Irish Paying Agent with respect to the Notes.

Any corporation into which any Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any corporation resulting from any merger, consolidation or conversion to which any Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent shall be a party, or any corporation succeeding to the corporate trust business of any Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent, shall be the successor of such Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent hereunder, without the execution or filing of any further act on the part of the parties hereto or such Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent or such successor corporation.

Any Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent may at any time resign by giving written notice of resignation to the Trustee and the Issuer. The Trustee may at any time terminate the agency of any Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent by giving written notice of termination to such Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent and the Issuer.

The Trustee shall pay to any Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent reasonable compensation and shall reimburse each Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent for expenses reasonably incurred by such Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent in the performance of its duties as a Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent, in each case as and to the extent agreed upon between the Trustee and such Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent; *provided* that the Trustee shall be reimbursed for such fees and expenses pursuant to Section 6.7 and *provided further* that if the appointment of such Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent is at the election or request of the Issuer, the Trustee's obligation to make such payments shall be limited to amounts for which it is entitled to be reimbursed pursuant to Section 6.7(b) or (c). The provisions of Section 6.5 shall be applicable to any Paying Agent, Transfer Agent or Authenticating Agent.

#### Section 2.5. Registration, Registration of Transfer and Exchange.

(a) The Issuer shall cause to be kept a register (the "Note Register") in which, subject to such reasonable procedures as it may prescribe, the Issuer shall provide for the registration of the Notes and the Combination Notes and the registration of transfers of the Notes and the Combination Notes. The Trustee is hereby appointed "Note Registrar" for the purpose of registering and transferring the Notes and the Combination Notes as herein provided. The Note Registrar shall supply all relevant documents to the Share Registrar necessary for the Share Registrar to maintain the Share Register accordingly and the Share Registrar shall be able to rely upon such information provided by the Note Registrar without any liability on its part. For so long as a Combination Note is issued and outstanding, the Note Registrar shall cooperate with the Share Registrar as reasonably requested so as to ensure conformity of registrations and transfers of the Preferred Share Component of the Combination Note. The Issuer will notify the Trustee of any Notes or Combination Notes owned by or pledged to the Issuer or any of its Affiliates promptly upon the acquisition thereof or the creation of such pledge. So long as an Event of Default shall be continuing, the Note Registrar shall promptly, upon the written request of a Noteholder or holder of a Combination Note or a Preferred Share, but in no event later than five Business Days following such request, furnish such Noteholder or holder of a Combination Note or a Preferred Share with a list of all other Noteholders, holders of Combination Notes and

Preferred Shares (as applicable); *provided* that the Note Registrar shall have no liability to any person for furnishing the Note Register to any Noteholder or holder of a Combination Note or Preferred Share. The Note Registrar shall, upon request, furnish a copy of the Note Register to the Trustee and the Servicer.

Subject to the provisions of paragraphs (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) and (k) of this Section 2.5, upon surrender for registration of transfer of any Note or Combination Note, the Issuer and the Co-Issuer (as applicable) shall execute, and the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent shall authenticate and deliver, in the name of the designated transferee or transferees, one or more new Notes of the same Class or Combination Note, of any authorized denomination and of a like aggregate principal amount.

Subject to the provisions of paragraphs (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) and (k) of this Section 2.5, at the option of the Holder, Notes or Combination Notes may be exchanged for other Notes of the same Class or Combination Notes, as applicable, in any authorized denominations and of a like aggregate stated or principal amount, upon surrender of the Notes or Combination Notes to be exchanged at the office of the Trustee. Whenever any Notes are so surrendered for exchange, the Issuer and the Co-Issuer (as applicable) shall execute, and the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent shall authenticate and deliver, the Notes that the Holder making the exchange is entitled to receive.

All Notes (with the exception of the Class B-2L Notes and the Combination Notes) issued upon any registration of transfer or exchange of Notes shall be the valid obligations of the Co-Issuers, and the Class B-2L Notes and the Combination Notes shall be the valid obligations of the Issuer, evidencing the same debt, and entitled to the same benefits under this Indenture, as the Notes or the Combination Notes, as applicable, surrendered upon such registration of transfer or exchange.

Every Note or Combination Note presented or surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange shall be duly endorsed, or be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Co-Issuers (as applicable) and the Trustee duly executed by the Holder thereof or his attorney duly authorized in writing.

No service charge shall be made to a Holder for any registration of transfer or exchange of Notes or Combination Notes, but the Co-Issuers or the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with any registration of transfer or exchange of Notes or Combination Notes.

(b) No Note or Combination Notes may be sold or transferred (including, without limitation by pledge or hypothecation) unless such sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act and is exempt under applicable state securities laws. No purported transfer of any interest in any Note or Combination Note or any portion thereof that is not made in accordance with this Section 2.5 shall be given effect by or be binding upon the Trustee or the Co-Issuers (as applicable) and any such purported transfer shall be null and void *ab initio* and vest in the transferee no rights against the Trustee, the Co-Issuers (as applicable) or the Trust Estate.

By its acceptance of a Note or Combination Note or a beneficial interest in a Note or Combination Note, each owner thereof will be deemed to have represented and agreed that transfer thereof is restricted and agrees that it shall transfer such Note or Combination Note or beneficial interest in such Note or Combination Note, only in accordance with the terms of this Indenture and such Note or Combination Note and in compliance with applicable law.

The applicable rules, regulations and procedures utilized or imposed by any Clearance System or DTC (collectively, "Applicable Procedures") shall be applicable to the Global Notes insofar as and to the extent beneficial interests in such Global Notes are held by the agent members of or participants in Euroclear, Clearstream or DTC, respectively. Account holders or agent members of or participants in Euroclear, Clearstream and DTC shall have no rights under this Indenture with respect to such Global Notes and DTC (or its nominee) as registered Holder of any Global Notes may be treated by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Note Registrar, the Authenticating Agent and any other Paying Agent (and any agent of any of the foregoing) as the owner of such Global Notes for all purposes whatsoever. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein shall prevent the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Note Registrar, the Authenticating Agent or any Paying Agent from giving effect to any written certification, proxy or other authorization furnished by DTC or any Clearance System or impair, as between DTC, the Clearance System and its agent members or participants, the operation of customary practices governing the exercise of the rights of a Holder of any Notes. Requests or directions from, or votes of, DTC, or any Clearance System with respect to any matter shall not be deemed inconsistent if made with respect to (or in separate proportions corresponding to) different beneficial owners. None of the Trustee, the Transfer Agent, the Note Registrar, the Authenticating Agent nor the Paying Agent shall have any duty to monitor, maintain records concerning (or determine compliance with any of the restrictions on transfer set forth herein with respect to) owners of beneficial interests in the Global Notes. None of the Trustee, the Transfer Agent, the Note Registrar, the Authenticating Agent nor the Paying Agent shall have any liability for the accuracy of the records of DTC or any Clearance System, or any actions or omissions of DTC or any Clearance System (or of the agent members of or participants in any Clearance System).

A Noteholder may transfer a Note or its beneficial interest in a Note only in accordance with the following provisions:

- (i) Definitive Note to Temporary Regulation S Global Note. To the extent permitted by the Applicable Procedures and subject to the provisions of Section 2.5, if a Holder of a Definitive Note of any Class wishes at any time to transfer its beneficial interest in such Definitive Note to a Non-U.S. Person during the Distribution Compliance Period, such Holder shall, subject to the provisions of this Section 2.5, transfer its interest in such Definitive Note for an equivalent beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note of the same Class. Upon (A) the surrender to the Trustee for cancellation of the Definitive Notes representing the beneficial interest to be so transferred and (B) the receipt by the Trustee and the Co-Issuers of (1) an Investor Representation Letter from such Noteholder's transferee, (2) a Regulation S Transferor Certificate from such Noteholder, and (3) a written order in accordance with the Applicable Procedures containing information regarding the Euroclear or Clearstream account to be

credited with the increase in the Regulation S Global Note and the name of such account, the Trustee shall cancel such Definitive Note and, concurrently with such cancellation, instruct the Custodian to adjust the Depository's position in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note of the same Class to reflect an increase of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof by the same amount and to credit or cause to be credited to the account of the transferee a beneficial interest in such Temporary Regulation S Global Note equal to the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Definitive Note so cancelled. In the event of any partial transfer of an interest in a Definitive Note to a Temporary Regulation S Global Note, the Co-Issuers shall execute and provide to the Trustee, and the Trustee shall authenticate and return to the Holder, a Definitive Note evidencing the remaining balance thereof. After the Distribution Compliance Period, interests in any Definitive Notes may not be transferred or exchanged for interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note.

(ii) Definitive Note to Permanent Regulation S Global Note. If a Holder of a Definitive Note wishes at any time after the Distribution Compliance Period to transfer its interest in such Definitive Note to a Non-U.S. Person, such Holder shall, subject to the provisions of this Section 2.5, transfer its interest in such Definitive Note for an equivalent beneficial interest in such Permanent Regulation S Global Note of the same Class. Upon (A) the surrender to the Trustee in the case of any Class of Notes or Combination Notes, of the Definitive Note representing the interest to be so transferred, for cancellation and (B) the receipt by the Trustee and the Co-Issuers of (1) an Investor Representation Letter from such Noteholder's transferee, (2) a Regulation S Transferor Certificate from such Noteholder and (3) a written order in accordance with the Applicable Procedures containing information regarding the Euroclear or Clearstream account to be credited with the increase in the Regulation S Global Note and the name of such account, the Trustee shall cancel such Definitive Note, and, concurrently with such cancellation instruct the Custodian to endorse the Permanent Regulation S Global Note to reflect an increase of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof by the same amount and to credit or cause to be credited to the account of the transferee a beneficial interest in such Permanent Regulation S Global Note equal to the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Definitive Note so cancelled. In the event of any partial transfer of an interest in a Definitive Note to a Permanent Regulation S Global Note, the Co-Issuers or the Issuer, as applicable, shall execute and provide to the Trustee, and the Trustee shall authenticate and return to the Holder, a Definitive Note evidencing the remaining balance thereof (which Definitive Note shall be so mailed or otherwise delivered from a location outside the United States).

In respect of any transfers involving Combination Notes, the Note Registrar shall ensure that the Note Register is amended in respect of the Note Component of the Combination Notes and request the Share Registrar to amend the Share Register in respect of the Preferred Share Component of the Combination Notes.

(iii) Temporary Regulation S Global Note to Definitive Note or Rule 144A Global Note. To the extent permitted by DTC, if a Holder of a beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note of a particular Class wishes at any time during the Distribution Compliance Period to transfer its beneficial interest in such Temporary Regulation S Global Note to a U.S. Person, such holder shall, subject to the provisions of this Section 2.5, transfer its beneficial interest in such Temporary Regulation S Global Note for an equivalent interest in a Rule 144A Global Note, or, in the case of a Class B-2L Note or a Combination Note, a Definitive Note. Upon receipt by the Trustee of (A) a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit G hereto and (B) a written order given in accordance with the Applicable Procedures, the Trustee shall instruct the Custodian to adjust the Depository's position in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note to reflect a reduction of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof by the Aggregate Principal Amount of the beneficial interest thereof to be so transferred and concurrently with such reduction, in the case of a Rule 144A Global Note, instruct the Custodian to adjust the Depository's position in the Rule 144A Global Note of the same Class to reflect an increase of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof by the same amount and to credit or cause to be credited to the account of the transferee a beneficial interest in such Rule 144A Global Note equal to the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Temporary Regulation S Global Note so reduced, and, in the case of a Definitive Note, the Co-Issuers shall execute and furnish to the Trustee, and the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent shall authenticate and deliver to such Holder, a Definitive Note in a principal amount equal to the amount of the reduction in the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Temporary Regulation S Global Note of such Class.

(iv) Transfer of Interests in a Definitive Note. A Holder of a Definitive Note may at any time transfer its interest in such Definitive Note in accordance with this Section 2.5(b)(iv). Any transfer of an interest in a Definitive Note to a Non-U.S. Person during the Distribution Compliance Period shall be made only pursuant to Section 2.5(b)(iii) above. Otherwise the Trustee shall require, prior to any such transfer of a Definitive Note, receipt by the Trustee and the Co-Issuers of (A) an Investor Representation Letter from such Noteholder's transferee and (B) a Transferor Certificate from such Noteholder (which shall only be a Regulation S Transferor Certificate for transfers to Non-U.S. Persons during the Distribution Compliance Period). Upon receipt of such letter and certificate, and surrender to the Trustee the Definitive Note representing the interest to be so transferred, the Trustee shall cancel such Definitive Note and the Co-Issuers shall execute and provide to the Trustee, and the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent shall authenticate and deliver, a Definitive Note to such transferee (and, in the event of a partial transfer, the Co-Issuers shall execute and provide to the Trustee, and the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent shall authenticate and deliver, a Definitive Note evidencing the remaining balance to the transferring Holder).

(v) Transfer of Interests in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note. Transfers of beneficial interests in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note may only be made (A) in accordance with Section 2.5(b)(i) above or (B) by book-entry

transfer of beneficial interests in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note within the Clearance System (and subject to the Applicable Procedures) to Non-U.S. Persons in accordance with Regulation S in "offshore transactions" (as defined in Regulation S).

(vi) Transfer of Interests in a Permanent Regulation S Global Note. If a Holder of a beneficial interest in the Permanent Regulation S Global Note wishes at any time to transfer its beneficial interest in such Permanent Regulation S Global Note to a U.S. Person, such Holder shall, subject to the provisions of this Section 2.5 and the Applicable Procedures, transfer its beneficial interest in such Permanent Regulation S Global Note for an equivalent interest in a Rule 144A Global Note or, in the case of the Class B-2L Notes or the Combination Note, a Definitive Note. Upon receipt by the Trustee of (A) a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit G hereto and (B) a written order given in accordance with the Applicable Procedures, the Trustee shall instruct the Custodian to adjust the Depository's position in the Permanent Regulation S Global Note to reflect a reduction of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof by the Aggregate Principal Amount of the beneficial interest thereof to be so transferred and concurrently with such reduction, in the case of a Rule 144A Global Note, instruct the Custodian to adjust the Depository's position in the Rule 144A Global Note of the same Class to reflect an increase of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof by the same amount and to credit or cause to be credited to the account of the transferee a beneficial interest in such Rule 144A Global Note equal to the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Permanent Regulation S Global Note so reduced, and, in the case of a Definitive Note, the Issuer shall execute and furnish to the Trustee (or Paying Agent, as directed by the Trustee) and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver to such Holder a Definitive Note in the Aggregate Principal Amount equal to the amount of the reduction in the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Permanent Regulation S Global Note (which Definitive Note shall be mailed or otherwise delivered to such Holder from a location outside the United States). Interests in any Permanent Regulation S Global Note shall not be exchanged for or transferred to a Definitive Note (except pursuant to the preceding sentence or Section 2.1, if applicable).

(vii) Transfer of Interest in a Rule 144A Global Note. Subject to the provisions of Section 2.5(k), transfers of beneficial interests in a Rule 144A Global Note may only be made (A) in accordance with the provisions of this Section 2.5(b)(iv) or (B) by book-entry transfer of beneficial interests in a Rule 144A Global Note within DTC (and subject to the Applicable Procedures) and in accordance with the transfer restrictions contained in the legend on such Rule 144A Global Note. If a Holder of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note wishes to transfer its beneficial interest in such Rule 144A Global Note to a Non-U.S. Person, such holder shall, subject to the provisions of this Section 2.5 and the Applicable Procedures, transfer its beneficial interest in such Rule 144A Global Note for an equivalent interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or a Permanent Regulation S Global Note, *provided* such transfer occurs after the Distribution Compliance Period. Upon receipt by the Trustee of (A) a Regulation



S Transferor Certificate from such Noteholder and (B) a written order given in accordance with the DTC's Applicable Procedures, the Trustee shall instruct the Custodian to adjust the Depository's position in the Rule 144A Global Note to reflect a reduction of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof by the Aggregate Principal Amount of the beneficial interest thereof to be so transferred and concurrently with such reduction, instruct the Custodian to adjust the Depository's position in such Temporary Regulation S Global Note or the Permanent Regulation S Global Note of the same Class to reflect an increase of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof by the same amount and to credit or cause to be credited to the account of the transferee a beneficial interest in such Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Permanent Regulation S Global Note equal to the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Rule 144A Global Note so reduced.

(viii) Exchange of Combination Notes into Component Securities. Subject to the provisions of Section 2.5(l), a Holder of a Combination Note may exchange all or a proportionate amount of each Component Security for (i) a Definitive Note of the Class B-1L Notes or for proportional interests in a Rule 144A Global Note or a Regulation S Global Note of the Class B-1L Note (in the Case of the Note Component) in the amount of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the applicable Note Component being exchanged, and (ii) a Class I Preferred Share certificate (in the case of the Preferred Share Component) representing the number of Class I Preferred Shares comprised in the Preferred Share Component being exchanged, in the manner specified in this Indenture. Such exchange is subject to delivery to the Trustee, the Note Registrar, the Share Registrar and the Issuer of written certifications, substantially in the form of Exhibit B and Exhibit C or Exhibit D, as applicable, to the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement at least 10 Business Days prior to the Payment Date on which such exchange shall become effective.

No Holder of the Combination Notes may exchange or transfer any Note Component or any Preferred Share Component thereof without also exchanging or transferring the proportionate amount of the Preferred Share Component or the Note Component being exchanged or transferred.

The Trustee, upon receipt of such duly completed certificate and such Combination Note, shall (i) cancel such Combination Note (or, by following the procedures of the Depository, decrease the Aggregate Principal Amount of such Combination Note), (ii) authenticate and deliver, without charge, Notes in (or, by following the procedures of the Depository, increase the Aggregate Principal Amount of the applicable Global Note by) the same Aggregate Principal Amount as the Note Component surrendered for exchange and (iii) direct the Paying and Transfer Agent to deliver (in the case of a Preferred Share sold in reliance on Regulation S, by following the procedures of Euroclear and Clearstream for delivery to the account of the Holder of the Combination Notes) a certificate for the Class I Preferred Shares represented by the face amount of such Preferred Share Component surrendered for exchange. Thereafter, the Holder of

a Combination Note (or a beneficial interest therein) exchanged hereunder shall become the Holder of the Class B-1L Notes and Class I Preferred Shares (or beneficial interests therein) received upon such an exchange. At any time that the Combination Notes represent interests only in the Preferred Share Components, the Issuer will notify the holders of the Combination Notes and require the exchange of the Combination Notes for the Class I Preferred Shares.

Notwithstanding anything else in this Section 2.5, such Definitive Note or proportional interest in a Rule 144A Global Note or Regulation S Global Note, and such Preferred Share certificate (collectively, "Exchanged Interests") may be in a principal amount or number of shares, as the case may be, smaller than the authorized minimum otherwise applicable thereto; *provided* that the exchanging Holder of such Combination Note may not thereafter transfer any such Exchanged Interest except to a Person that, after giving effect to such transfer, would hold at least the authorized minimum principal amount or number of shares applicable to such Exchanged Interests.

No Holder of any Note or Preferred Share (including a Holder that receives such Note or Preferred Share upon exchange under this Section 2.5(b)(viii)) will have the right to exchange such Note or Preferred Share for a Combination Note.

At any time that the Combination Notes represent interests only in the Preferred Share Component, the Trustee, on behalf of the Issuer, shall send a notice to the Holders of the Combination Notes informing them that the Holders of the Combination Notes must deliver the Combination Notes to the Paying and Transfer Agent for exchange into the Class I Preferred Shares represented by the Preferred Share Component and, upon such delivery, the Paying and Transfer Agent, in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, shall deliver a certificate representing such Preferred Shares to such Holders within five (5) Business Days of delivery to it of the Combination Notes.

No service charge shall be made for any exchange of Combination Notes into Component Securities, but the Trustee or the Paying and Transfer Agent may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

(ix) Initial Sale of Notes. Notwithstanding anything in clauses (i) through (viii) of this Section 2.5(b) to the contrary, in connection with any sale of Initial Purchaser Notes by any Initial Purchaser, no delivery of an Investor Representation Letter or a Transferor Certificate shall be required so long as each purchaser of Notes executes and delivers a transferee certificate acceptable to Bear Stearns (which certificate shall, in the case of any transfer pursuant to Sections 2.5(b)(i) or 2.5(b)(ii), identify each transferee of a beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note, including name, address, payment instructions, Taxpayer information and such other information as the Trustee

reasonably may require), which transferee certificate shall be delivered to the Trustee.

(x) Securities Act. No transfer of any Note or any beneficial interest in any Note shall be made unless such transfer (a) is made pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act and registration or qualification under applicable state securities laws or (b) is exempt from such registration or qualification requirements.

The Investor Representation Letters (and any alternative certification acceptable to Bear Stearns pursuant to clause (vi) above) and the Transferor Certificates furnished pursuant to this Section may be relied on conclusively by the Trustee in determining whether the provisions of this Section have been complied with. None of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee or any other person shall be required to register the Notes under the Securities Act or any state securities laws.

(c) (i) Unless a prospective Holder of a Note (and each beneficial owner of an interest in a Global Note) otherwise provides another representation acceptable to each of the Trustee, the Servicer and the Issuer, each Holder of a Note other than a Class B-1L Note, a Class B-2L Note or a Combination Note (and each beneficial owner of an interest in a Class B-1L Note, a Class B-2L Note or a Combination Note in the form of a Global Note), by its purchase thereof, shall be deemed to have represented to the Issuer, the Servicer and the Trustee that (a) no part of the funds being used to pay the purchase price for such Notes constitutes an asset of any "employee benefit plan" (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) or "plan" (as defined in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code) that is subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (each a "Plan"), including assets held in an insurance company general account, or (b) if the funds being used to pay the purchase price for such Notes include assets of any Plan, an exemption to the prohibited transaction rules applies to the purchase and holding of such Notes.

(ii) Each Holder of a Class B-1L Note shall be required (and each beneficial owner of an interest in a Class B-1L Note shall be deemed) to represent to the Issuer, the Servicer and the Trustee that either (a) the purchaser or transferee is not a Plan and is not acquiring the Class B-1L Note with assets of a Plan, (b) it is an insurance company and such funds include only assets of its general account, and its acquisition and holding of such Note are eligible for exemptive relief available under Section I of PTCE 95-60, or (c) the acquisition and holding of the Class B-1L Notes by the purchaser or transferee are eligible for the exemptive relief available under any of Section 408(b)(17) of ERISA or PTCE 96-23, 91-38, 90-1 or 84-14.

(iii) Each Holder of a Class B-2L Note or a Combination Note shall be required (and each beneficial owner of an interest in a Class B-2L Note or a Combination Note in global form shall be deemed) to represent to the Issuer, the Servicer and the Trustee that either (a) no part of the funds being used to pay the

purchase price for such Note or Combination Note constitutes "plan assets" of any Plan or other "benefit plan investor" (as defined in Section 3(42) of ERISA) (a "Benefit Plan Investor"), or (b) if the funds being used to pay the purchase price for such Note or Combination Note include "plan assets" of any Plan or other Benefit Plan Investor, (1) it is purchasing the Class B-2L Notes or Combination Notes with assets of an "insurance company general account" within the meaning of PTCE 95-60, its purchase and holding of the Class B-2L Note or Combination Note are eligible for the exemptive relief available under Section I of PTCE 95-60, less than 25% of the assets of such insurance company general account constitute "plan assets" of Benefit Plan Investors, and if, after the initial acquisition of Class B-2L Notes or Combination Notes, during any calendar quarter 25% or more of the assets of such general account (as determined by such insurance company) constitute "plan assets" of Benefit Plan Investors and full exemptive relief from the prohibited transaction prohibitions of Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code is not available under Section 401(c) of ERISA and the regulations thereunder, then such investor will dispose of all of the Class B-2L Notes and Combination Notes then held in such general account by the end of the next following calendar quarter; or (2) its purchase and holding of the Class B-2L Note or a Combination Note are eligible for the exemptive relief available under any of Section 408(b)(17) of ERISA or PTCE 96-23, 91-38, 90-1 or 84-14. No purchase of a Class B-2L Note or a Combination Note by a Plan or a person investing on behalf of or with "plan assets" of a Benefit Plan Investor shall be allowed unless, after giving effect to such transfer and all other purchases occurring simultaneously with such transfer, less than 25% of each of the Class B-2L Notes or the Combination Notes and the Preferred Shares (excluding any such Note, Combination Notes or Preferred Shares held by the Servicer or its affiliates or clients) will be held by Benefit Plan Investors, and each potential Holder of a Class B-2L Note or a Combination Note will furnish to the Issuer and the Trustee information sufficient to ensure that this condition is met. Each potential Holder of a Class B-2L Note or a Combination Note will be required to represent and agree that it will not assign or transfer such Class B-2L Note or Combination Note unless (1) the proposed transferee or assignee delivers a letter to the Trustee evidencing its agreement to the foregoing ERISA representations and covenants with respect to its purchase, holding and transfer of such Class B-2L Note or Combination Note and (2) if the Holder (x) is not, and is not acting on behalf of a Benefit Plan Investor, the assignee or transferee will also not be a Benefit Plan Investor, or (y) is or is acting on behalf of an insurance company general account, the assignee or transferee will be accurately identified in such letter as either another insurance company general account or a person who is not and is not acting on behalf of a Benefit Plan Investor; or (z) is or is acting on behalf of or with "plan assets" of a Benefit Plan Investor (other than an insurance company general account), the assignee or transferee will be accurately identified in such letter as either an insurance company general account, another Benefit Plan Investor or a person who is not and is not acting on behalf of any Benefit Plan Investor; *provided* that for purposes of clauses (x), (y) and (z), a transfer by a Holder (the "Transferring Holder") to Bear Stearns in a secondary market

transaction and subsequent transfers by Bear Stearns to a Holder (the "Transferee Holder"), shall be deemed to be a transfer by the Transferring Holder to the Transferee Holder and Bear Stearns may therefore transfer such Notes to any potential Holder to whom the Transferring Holder would be permitted to transfer.

(d) No Note or Combination Note shall be sold or transferred (including, without limitation, by pledge or hypothecation), except to Non-U.S. Persons in "offshore transactions" in accordance with Regulation S under the Securities Act, who, in the case of the Class B-2L Notes and the Combination Notes are also Qualified Institutional Buyers (or, solely in the case of a Holder purchasing Class B-2L Notes on the Closing Date, is an Institutional Accredited Investor), unless the purchaser or transferee is a Qualified Purchaser. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Indenture, no transfer of a Note or Combination Note may be made if such transfer would require registration of the Issuer or Co-Issuer under the Investment Company Act (subject, as regards the Trustee's duties, to Section 2.5(f) below).

(e) At any time when the Issuer is not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, upon the request of any Noteholder, the Issuer shall promptly furnish to such Noteholder or to a prospective purchaser of any Note or Combination Note designated by such Noteholder, as the case may be, the information which the Issuer determines to be required to be delivered pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act ("Rule 144A Information") in order to permit compliance by such Noteholder with Rule 144A in connection with the resale of such Note or Combination Note by such Noteholder; *provided* that the Issuer shall not be required to provide audited financial statements more than once a year or to furnish Rule 144A Information in connection with any request made on or after the date that is three years from the later of (i) the date such Note or Combination Note (or any predecessor Note or Combination Note) was acquired from the Issuer or (ii) the date such Note or Combination Note (or any predecessor Note or Combination Note) was last acquired from an "affiliate" of the Issuer within the meaning of Rule 144A, in each case as determined by the Issuer. Upon request by the Issuer, the Trustee shall cooperate with the Issuer in mailing or otherwise distributing (at the Issuer's expense) to such Noteholders or prospective purchasers, at and pursuant to the Issuer's written direction, the foregoing materials prepared and provided by the Issuer; *provided* that the Trustee shall be entitled to affix thereto or enclose therewith such disclaimers as the Trustee shall deem reasonably appropriate, at its discretion (such as, for example, a disclaimer that such Rule 144A Information was assembled by the Issuer and not by the Trustee, that the Trustee has not reviewed or verified the accuracy thereof, and that it makes no representation as to the sufficiency of such information under Rule 144A or for any other purpose).

(f) The Trustee shall not be responsible for ascertaining whether any transfer complies with, or otherwise to monitor or determine compliance with, the requirements or terms of the Securities Act, applicable state securities laws, ERISA, the Code or the Investment Company Act; except that if a certificate is specifically required by the terms of this Section to be provided to the Trustee by a prospective transferee, transferor or the Issuer, the Trustee shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine

whether it conforms substantially on its face to the applicable requirements of this Section.

(g) If a Responsible Officer of the Trustee becomes aware that (i) a transfer or attempted or purported transfer of any Note or Combination Note or interest therein was consummated in compliance with the provisions of this Section 2.5 on the basis of a materially incorrect certification from the transferor or purported transferee, (ii) a transferee failed to deliver to the Trustee any certificate required to be delivered hereunder or (iii) the Holder of any Note or Combination Note or interest therein is in material breach of any representation or agreement set forth in any certificate or any deemed representation or agreement of such Holder, the Trustee will direct the Note Registrar not to register such attempted or purported transfer and if a transfer has been registered, such transfer shall be absolutely null and void *ab initio* and shall vest no rights in the purported transferee (such purported transferee, a "Disqualified Transferee") and the last preceding Holder of such Note or Combination Note that was not a Disqualified Transferee shall be restored to all rights as a Holder thereof retroactively to the date of transfer of such Note or Combination Note by such Holder.

(h) For so long as one or more Global Notes are Outstanding:

(i) the Trustee and its directors, officers, employees and agents may deal with the Depository, with respect to all Global Notes (the "Depository") for all purposes (including the making of distributions on, and the giving of notices with respect to, the Global Notes);

(ii) unless otherwise provided herein, the rights of beneficial owner in a Global Note shall be exercised only through the respective Depository and shall be limited to those established by law and agreements between such beneficial owners and the respective Depository;

(iii) for purposes of determining the identity of and Aggregate Principal Amount of Notes or Combination Notes beneficially owned by a Holder, the records of the Depository shall be conclusive evidence of such identity and Aggregate Principal Amount and the Trustee may conclusively rely on such records when acting hereunder;

(iv) the Depository will make book-entry transfers among the Depository participants of the Depository and will receive and transmit distributions of principal of and interest on the Global Notes to such Depository participants; and

(v) the Depository participants of the Depository shall have no rights under this Indenture under or with respect to any of the Global Notes held on their behalf by the Depository, and the Depository may be treated by the Trustee and its agents, employees, officers and directors as the absolute owner of the Global Notes for all purposes whatsoever.

(i) Each transferee of a Note (excluding any transferee of a Note (other than a Class B-2L Note transferred after the Closing Date or a Combination Note) who is a non-U.S. Person in an offshore transaction under Regulation S but including any transferee of a Class B-2L Note transferred after the Closing Date or a Combination Note who is a non-U.S. Person in an offshore transaction under Regulation S) or a Combination Note will be deemed to represent at time of transfer that the transferee is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and that (i) it is a Qualified Purchaser, (ii) it is not formed for the purpose of investing in the Notes or Combination Notes, unless each of its beneficial owners is a Qualified Purchaser, (iii) it is not a dealer described in paragraph (a)(1)(ii) of Rule 144A unless such transferee owns and invests on a discretionary basis at least U.S.\$25 million in securities of issuers that are not affiliated persons of such dealer, (iv) it is not a plan referred to in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(D) or (E) of Rule 144A or a trust fund referred to in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(F) of Rule 144A that holds the assets of such plan, unless investment decisions are made solely by the fiduciary, trustee or sponsor of such plan, (v) it and each account for which it is purchasing is purchasing Notes or Combination Notes in at least the minimum denomination and (vi) it will provide written notice of the foregoing and any other applicable transfer restrictions to any transferee.

(j) Any Note or Combination Note issued upon the transfer, exchange or replacement of Notes or Combination Notes shall bear such applicable legend set forth in the relevant Exhibit hereto unless there is delivered to the Trustee, Note Registrar and the Issuer such satisfactory evidence, which may include an Opinion of Counsel, as may be reasonably required by any of the Trustee, Note Registrar and the Issuer to the effect that (i) neither such applicable legend nor the restrictions on transfer set forth therein are required to ensure that transfers thereof comply with the provisions of Rule 144A and to ensure that neither of the Co-Issuers nor the Portfolio Collateral becomes an investment company required to be registered under the Investment Company Act, and (ii) the Co-Issuers and the Portfolio Collateral are exempt from registration under the Investment Company Act other than by reason of Section 3(c)(7) thereof. Upon provision of such satisfactory evidence, the Trustee, at the direction of the Issuer, shall authenticate and deliver Notes or Combination Notes that do not bear such applicable legend.

(k) If, notwithstanding the restrictions set forth in this Section 2.5, either of the Co-Issuers determines that any beneficial owner or Holder of a Rule 144A Global Note (i) is a U.S. Person and (ii) is not (A) a Qualified Purchaser or (B) a company beneficially owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, the Co-Issuers may require, by notice to such beneficial owner or Holder, as the case may be, that such beneficial owner or Holder sell all of its right, title and interest to such Note or Combination Note (or interest therein) to a Person that is both (1) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (2) a Qualified Purchaser or a company beneficially owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, with such sale to be effected within 30 days after notice of such sale requirement is given. If such beneficial owner or Holder fails to effect the transfer required within such 30-day period, (x) upon written direction from the Issuer, the Trustee shall, and is hereby irrevocably authorized by such beneficial owner or Holder, as the case may be, to cause its interest in such Note or Combination Note to be transferred in a commercially reasonable sale (conducted by the Trustee or by an investment banking firm selected by the Trustee and approved by the Issuer (whose fees are to be paid

exclusively from the proceeds of such sale)), in accordance with Section 9-504(3) of the UCC as applied to securities that are sold on a recognized market or that may decline speedily in value) to a Person that certifies to the Trustee and the Co-Issuers, in connection with such transfer, that such Person is both (1) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (2) a Qualified Purchaser or a company beneficially owned exclusively by one or more Qualified Purchasers and (y) pending such transfer, no further payments will be made in respect of such Note or Combination Note (or beneficial interest therein) held by such Holder or beneficial owner.

(l) So long as Combination Notes represented by Regulation S Global Notes remain outstanding and are held by or on behalf of the Depository, transfers and exchanges of the interests in such Regulation S Global Notes shall only be made in accordance with Section 2.1 and 2.5 and any such transfers will be subject to the provisions of this Section 2.5(l). If a transfer of a beneficial interest in Regulation S Global Notes requires the Trustee to instruct the Depository to reduce or increase the Aggregate Principal Amount of Combination Notes that include the Preferred Share Component represented by the Regulation S Global Note, the Issuer shall cancel the Regulation S Global Note and issue a new Regulation S Global Note registered in the name of such Depository representing the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Combination Note after the transfer. The new Regulation S Global Note shall be deposited with the Depository. The Trustee shall ensure that the Note Register is amended, and shall notify the Share Registrar to amend the Share Register, to reflect the transfers of the Class B-1L Notes and Class I Preferred Shares, respectively, represented by the Combination Note in the form of the Regulation S Global Note. The Issuer is not required to issue a Regulation S Global Note at any time that the Aggregate Principal Amount of Combination Notes is zero.

Section 2.6. Mutilated, Destroyed, Lost or Stolen Notes or Combination Notes.

If (i) any mutilated Note or Combination Note is surrendered to the Trustee or the Issuer or the Trustee and the Issuer receive evidence to their reasonable satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of any Note or Combination Note, and (ii) in the case of a destroyed, lost, or stolen Note or Combination Note, there is delivered to the Issuer and the Trustee such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them harmless (an unsecured indemnity agreement of an Institutional Investor organized under the laws of the United States or any State in the United States with a net worth at least equal to twice the amount of the security or indemnity being deemed sufficient to satisfy such security or indemnity requirement), then, in the absence of notice to the Co-Issuers or the Trustee that such Note or Combination Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the Co-Issuers shall execute and, upon a written request therefor by the Issuer, the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in exchange for or in lieu of any such mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Note or Combination Note, a new Note or Combination Note of the same Class, tenor and principal amount, bearing a number not contemporaneously outstanding. If, after the delivery of such new Note or Combination Note, a protected purchaser of the original Note or Combination Note in lieu of which such new Note or Combination Note was issued presents such original Note or Combination Note for payment, the Issuer and the Trustee shall be entitled to recover such new Note or Combination Note from the Person to whom it was delivered or any Person taking title therefrom, except a protected purchaser, and the



Issuer and the Trustee shall be entitled to recover upon the security or indemnity provided therefor to the extent of any loss, damage, cost or expense incurred by the Co-Issuers, or the Trustee, in connection therewith. If any such mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Note or Combination Note shall have become or shall be about to become due and payable in full, or shall have been called for redemption in full, instead of issuing a new Note, the Co-Issuers may pay such Note or Combination Note without surrender thereof, except that any mutilated Note or Combination Note shall be surrendered.

Upon the issuance of any new Note or Combination Note under this Section 2.6, the Issuer or the Trustee may require the payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed or any other reasonable expense in relation thereto.

Every new Note or Combination Note issued pursuant to this Section in lieu of any mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Note or Combination Note shall constitute an original additional contractual obligation of the Issuer, whether or not the mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Note or Combination Note shall be at any time enforceable by anyone, and shall be entitled to all the benefits of this Indenture equally and proportionately with any and all other Notes or Combination Notes of the same Class duly issued hereunder.

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

#### Section 2.7. Payments on the Notes.

(a) No principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-1L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of an Initial Deposit Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-1L Notes as described herein. On each Payment Date with respect to the Amortization Period, the principal of the Class A-1L Notes will be payable (to the extent of funds available therefor and in the order of priority described herein) first to the Class A-1LA Notes and then to the Class A-1LB Notes, until the Payment Date on which the Aggregate Principal Amount of such Class A-1L Notes have been paid in full. The unpaid principal amount of the Class A-1L Notes shall accrue interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate for such Class from the Closing Date until such unpaid principal amount is paid in full and such accrued interest shall be payable on each Payment Date. To the extent there is any shortfall in the payment of accrued interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate on any Payment Date with respect to any of the Class A-1L Notes, the Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount will be paid (to the extent of available funds therefor and as described herein) on one or more subsequent Payment Dates after payment of the Periodic Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-1L Notes, unless earlier paid upon an Initial Deposit Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-1L Notes as described herein. All outstanding principal of the Class A-1L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date.

(b) No principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-2L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-2L Notes, but only after the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes has been paid in full. The unpaid principal amount of the Class A-2L Notes shall accrue interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate for such Class from the Closing Date until such unpaid principal amount is paid in full and such accrued interest shall be payable on each Payment Date. To the extent there is any shortfall in the payment of accrued interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate on any Payment Date with respect to the Class A-2L Notes, the Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount will be paid (to the extent of available funds therefor and as described herein) on one or more subsequent Payment Dates after payment of the Periodic Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-2L Notes, unless earlier paid upon an Optional Redemption, a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-2L Notes as described herein. All outstanding principal of the Class A-2L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date.

(c) No principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-3L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-3L Notes, but only after the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1L Notes and the Class A-2L Notes have been paid in full. The unpaid principal amount of the Class A-3L Notes shall accrue interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate for such Class from the Closing Date until such unpaid principal amount is paid in full and such accrued interest shall be payable on each Payment Date. To the extent there is any shortfall in the payment of accrued interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate on any Payment Date with respect to the Class A-3L Notes, the Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount will be paid (to the extent of available funds therefor and as described herein) on one or more subsequent Payment Dates after payment of the Periodic Interest Amount with respect to the Class A-3L Notes, unless earlier paid upon an Optional Redemption, a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class A-3L Notes as described herein. All outstanding principal of the Class A-3L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date.

(d) No principal will be payable in respect of the Class B-1L Notes (and principal collections on the Portfolio Collateral will be applied as described herein) during the Revolving Period, except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class B-1L Notes, but only after the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes have been paid in full. The unpaid principal amount of the Class B-1L Notes shall accrue interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate for such Class from the Closing Date until such unpaid principal amount is paid in full and such accrued interest shall be payable on each Payment Date. To the extent there is any shortfall in the payment of accrued interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate on any Payment Date with respect to the Class B-1L Notes, the Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount will be paid (to the extent of available funds therefor and as described herein) on one or more subsequent Payment Dates after payment of the Periodic Interest Amount with respect to the Class B-1L Notes, unless earlier paid upon an Optional Redemption, a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory

Redemption of the Class B-1L Notes as described herein. All outstanding principal of the Class B-1L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date.

(e) Except in connection with the application of the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement or upon the failure of the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test, as described herein, no principal will be payable in respect of the Class B-2L Notes during the Revolving Period, except in the event of a Special Redemption, an Optional Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class B-2L Notes, but only after the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes and Class B-1L Notes have been paid in full. The principal amount of the Class B-2L Notes shall be due and payable (to the extent of funds available therefore and in the order of priority as described herein) on each Payment Date during the Amortization Period, but only after the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes have been paid in full (except in connection with the application of the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement or upon the failure of the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test). The unpaid principal amount of the Class B-2L Notes shall accrue interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate for such Class from the Closing Date until such unpaid principal amount is paid in full and such accrued interest shall be payable on each Payment Date. To the extent there is any shortfall in the payment of accrued interest at the Applicable Periodic Rate on any Payment Date with respect to the Class B-2L Notes, the Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount will be paid (to the extent of available funds therefor and as described herein) on one or more subsequent Payment Dates after payment of the Periodic Interest Amount with respect to the Class B-2L Notes, unless earlier paid upon an Optional Redemption, a Special Redemption, a Tax Event Redemption or a Mandatory Redemption of the Class B-2L Notes as described herein. All outstanding principal of the Class B-2L Notes, together with the other amounts described herein, will be due and payable on the Final Maturity Date.

(f) Payments in respect of the Combination Notes shall be made as set forth in Section 16.3 hereof.

(g) Holders of the Notes of each Class as of the Record Date in respect of a Payment Date or as of the Redemption Record Date with respect to the Initial Deposit Redemption Date, an Optional Redemption Date, a Special Redemption Date, a Tax Event Redemption Date or a Mandatory Redemption Date, shall be entitled, to the extent provided for herein, to the interest accrued and payable and principal payable (or Initial Deposit Redemption Price, an Optional Redemption Price, a Special Redemption Price, a Tax Event Redemption Price or a Mandatory Redemption Price payable, as applicable) on such Payment Date or Redemption Record Date with respect to the Initial Deposit Redemption Date, an Optional Redemption Date, a Special Redemption Date, a Tax Event Redemption Date or a Mandatory Redemption Date. Payments of principal to Holders entitled thereto shall be made in the proportion that the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes of such Class registered in the name of each such Holder on such Record Date or Redemption Record Date with respect to the Initial Deposit Redemption Date, an Optional Redemption Date, a Special Redemption Date, a Tax Event Redemption Date or a Mandatory Redemption Date.

(h) Interest accrued with respect to any Class of Notes shall be computed on the basis of a 360-day year and the actual number of days elapsed during each Periodic Interest Accrual Period.

(i) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the obligations of the Co-Issuers' under this Indenture and the payment of principal of, interest on and all other amounts payable on or in respect of the Class A-1L Notes, the Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes and the Class B-1L Notes (including, with respect to the Class B-1L Notes, the Note Component) will constitute nonrecourse obligations of the Co-Issuers, and the payment of principal of, interest on and all other amounts payable on or in respect Class B-2L Notes will constitute nonrecourse obligations of the Issuer, payable solely from the Trust Estate. Having realized the Collateral and distributed the net proceeds thereof, in each case in accordance with this Indenture, neither the Trustee nor any holders of Notes or Combination Notes may take any further steps against the Co-Issuers to recover any sum still unpaid in respect of any claims under this Indenture or the Notes or Combination Notes issued under this Indenture and all claims against the Co-Issuers in respect of any such sum due but still unpaid shall be extinguished and shall not revive. Neither of the Co-Issuers, nor any of their respective agents, partners, beneficiaries, officers, directors, employees or any Affiliate of any of them or any of their respective successors or assigns shall be personally liable for any amounts payable, or performance due, under the Notes, Combination Notes or this Indenture. It is understood that the foregoing provisions of this paragraph shall not (A) prevent recourse to the Trust Estate for the sums due or to become due under any security, instrument or agreement which is part of the Trust Estate or (B) constitute a waiver, release or discharge of any indebtedness or obligation evidenced by the Notes, Combination Notes or secured by this Indenture, but the same shall continue until paid or discharged or (C) constitute a waiver of an otherwise valid cause of action with respect to the performance of the Servicer's obligations as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or (D) constitute a waiver of any otherwise valid cause of action against the Co-Issuers wherein the loss complained of is directly attributable to the willful misconduct or fraud of the Co-Issuers in making their respective representations or warranties or the performance of their respective obligations under this Indenture or (E) limit the right of any person to name the Co-Issuers as parties defendant in any action, suit or in the exercise of any other remedy under the Notes, Combination Notes or in this Indenture, so long as no judgment in the nature of a deficiency judgment or seeking personal liability shall be asked for or (if obtained) enforced against any such person or entity.

#### Section 2.8. Persons Deemed Owners.

The Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Note Registrar and the Servicer, and any agent of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Note Registrar and the Servicer shall treat the Person in whose name any Note or Combination Note is registered as it appears on the Note Register (or Share Register in the case of the Preferred Share Component of the Combination Notes) as the owner of such Note for the purpose of receiving payments on such Note or Combination Note, and for all other purposes whatsoever (whether or not such Note or Combination Note is overdue), and none of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Note Registrar or the Servicer, nor any agent of any of them, shall be affected by notice to the contrary.

Section 2.9. [Cancellation.](#)

All Notes or Combination Notes surrendered for payment, registration of transfer, exchange or redemption, or deemed destroyed, lost or stolen, shall, if surrendered to any Person other than the Trustee, be delivered to the Trustee and shall be promptly cancelled by it. No Notes or Combination Notes shall be authenticated in lieu of or in exchange for any Notes or Combination Notes cancelled as provided in this Section 2.9, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture. All cancelled Notes or Combination Notes held by the Trustee shall be destroyed or held by the Trustee in accordance with its standard retention policy unless the Issuer shall direct by an Issuer Order that they be returned to the Issuer.

Section 2.10. [Tax Purposes.](#)

Each of the Co-Issuers shall, and each Holder by acceptance of its Note shall be deemed to have agreed to, treat the Notes as debt solely of the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes and to treat the Preferred Shares as equity of the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes.

Section 2.11. [Calculation Agent; Determination of LIBOR.](#)

(a) The Issuer hereby agrees that for so long as any of the Notes remain Outstanding, there will at all times be an agent appointed to calculate LIBOR in respect of each Periodic Interest Accrual Period in accordance with the terms of the Notes. The Issuer has initially appointed Investors Bank & Trust Company, as agent with respect to the determination of LIBOR (in such capacity, the "[Calculation Agent](#)"). The Calculation Agent may be removed by the Issuer at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Issuer, or if the Calculation Agent fails to determine LIBOR for a Periodic Interest Accrual Period, the Issuer will promptly appoint as a replacement Calculation Agent a leading bank which is engaged in transactions in U.S. dollar deposits in the international U.S. dollar market and which does not control or is not controlled by or under common control with the Co-Issuers or their Affiliates. The Calculation Agent may not resign or be removed from its respective duties without a successor having been duly appointed.

(b) The Calculation Agent shall determine LIBOR for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period in accordance with the following provisions:

On each LIBOR Determination Date, LIBOR shall equal the rate, as obtained by the Calculation Agent, for three-month U.S. dollar deposits which appears on Telerate Page 3750 (as reported by Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News) or such other page as may replace such Page 3750, as of 11:00 a.m. (London time) on such LIBOR Determination Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, LIBOR for the initial Periodic Interest Accrual Period shall be determined through the use of straight-line interpolation by reference to two rates calculated in accordance with the provisions above, one of which shall be for five-month U.S. dollar deposits and the other of which shall be for six-month U.S. dollar deposits.

If, on any LIBOR Determination Date, such rate does not appear on Telerate Page 3750 (as reported by Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News) or such other page as may replace such Page 3750, the Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the

offered quotations of the Reference Banks (as defined below) to leading banks in the London interbank market for three-month (or five-month or six-month, as applicable) U.S. dollar deposits in an amount determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to requests for quotations as of approximately 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the LIBOR Determination Date made by the Calculation Agent to the Reference Banks. If, on any LIBOR Determination Date, at least two of the Reference Banks provide such quotations, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean of such quotations. If, on any LIBOR Determination Date, only one or none of the Reference Banks provide such quotations, LIBOR shall be deemed to be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that leading banks in The City of New York selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) are quoting on the relevant LIBOR Determination Date for three-month (or five-month or six-month, as applicable) U.S. dollar deposits in an amount determined by the Calculation Agent that is representative of a single transaction in such market at such time by reference to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market; *provided* that, if the Calculation Agent is required but is unable to determine a rate in accordance with at least one of the procedures provided above, LIBOR shall be LIBOR as determined on the previous LIBOR Determination Date. As used herein, "Reference Banks" means four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer).

For purposes of any calculations referred to in this paragraph (b), all percentages resulting from such calculations will be rounded, if necessary, to the nearest one hundred-thousandth of a percentage point.

(c) As soon as possible after 11:00 a.m. (New York time) on each LIBOR Determination Date, but in no event later than 11:00 a.m. (New York time) on the Business Day immediately following each LIBOR Determination Date, the Calculation Agent will notify the Issuer, the Trustee, the Irish Paying Agent (as long as any of the Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange) and the Servicer of LIBOR for the next Periodic Interest Accrual Period. The Calculation Agent will also specify to the Issuer the quotations upon which LIBOR is based, and in any event the Calculation Agent shall notify the Issuer before 5:00 p.m. (New York time) on each LIBOR Determination Date that either: (i) it has determined or is in the process of determining LIBOR or (ii) it has not determined and is not in the process of determining LIBOR together with its reasons therefor.

(d) Upon receipt of notice of LIBOR for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period from the Calculation Agent pursuant to subsection (c) of this Section 2.11, the Trustee shall determine the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to the Notes for such Periodic Interest Accrual Period and notify the Irish Stock Exchange of the Applicable Periodic Rate for each Class of Note (as long as any of the Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange).

(e) The determination of LIBOR by the Calculation Agent and the Applicable Periodic Rate with respect to the Notes by the Trustee (in the absence of manifest error) shall be final and binding upon all parties.

Section 2.12. [Option to Acquire Credit Enhancement.](#)

Holders of any Class of Notes may elect to acquire bond insurance, a surety bond or similar credit enhancement supporting the payment of principal and/or interest on such Class of Notes, on terms and conditions acceptable to such Holders and at the sole expense of such Holders. Any Class of Notes subject to such enhancement will be designated pursuant to a supplemental indenture adopted pursuant to Section 8.1 as "Insured Notes" of such Class. Premiums for any such enhancement (together with any other amounts payable to the issuer of such bond insurance policy, surety bond or similar credit enhancement, including, without limitation, amounts payable to any such issuer to reimburse it for draws thereunder, together with interest thereon), and costs incurred by the Co-Issuers in connection with such enhancement will be payable from amounts otherwise payable to such Class of Insured Notes, or in such other manner chosen by such Holder (*provided* that any such payment does not adversely affect any other Noteholder or holder of a Preferred Share). Any Insured Notes for substantially all other purposes will be treated as Notes of such Class, except that the issuer of the bond insurance policy, surety bond or other such credit enhancement will generally be deemed to be the Holder of the Notes of such Class, enhanced by such entity and will in such capacity be entitled to exercise the rights otherwise exercisable by Holders of such Notes.

Section 2.13. [Prescription.](#)

Payment in respect of any Note will cease to be due if not paid to the Holder of such Note due to insufficient payment instructions from such Holder to the Trustee or the Paying Agent for a period of twenty years from the Relevant Date.

Section 2.14. [Hedge Agreements.](#)

(a) [The Cap Agreement:](#)

(i) On the Closing Date, the Issuer shall execute and deliver the Cap Agreement. The Issuer will make a single payment of the Fixed Amount to the Cap Provider on the Closing Date.

(ii) If, by 4:00 p.m., New York City time, on (i) any Payment Date on which the Trustee has not received from the Cap Provider any amount due from the Cap Provider on such Payment Date, (ii) the Business Day following any such Payment Date if the Trustee has not yet received such amount due from the Cap Provider, (iii) the Business Day on which such failure to pay by the Cap Provider becomes an event of default under the Cap Agreement or (iv) the Business Day on which the Trustee receives from the Cap Provider such amount due, the Trustee shall give prompt written notice thereof to the Cap Provider, S&P and Moody's. If the Cap Agreement has been terminated (such termination being subject to a Rating Confirmation) without a replacement, and any Cap Termination Amount owed to the Cap Provider under the Cap Agreement, if any, have been paid, all rights and liens of the Cap Provider under this Indenture with respect to the Cap Agreement shall terminate and be of no further force and effect. If after the Closing Date the credit rating of the Cap Provider is downgraded or withdrawn, a

Responsible Officer of the Trustee, upon having actual knowledge of such downgrade or withdrawal, shall provide written notice of such downgrade or withdrawal to the Rating Agencies.

(iii) If, at any time, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes is less than the Cap Notional Amount, the Trustee may, at the direction of the Issuer, sell the Issuer's right to receive payments with respect to the Cap Agreement, but only to the extent that the Cap Notional Amount exceeds the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Notes. Proceeds from any such sale will be distributed as Collateral Interest Collections on the Payment Date relating to the Due Period in which such sale occurs.

(iv) The Cap Agreement will provide that in the event that (a) a S&P First Level Downgrade occurs and is continuing, then within 30 days after such rating withdrawal or downgrade, the Cap Provider shall, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to S&P, at its own expense, either (i) procure a Permitted Transfer, (ii) obtain an Eligible Guaranty or (iii) post collateral in accordance with the Cap Agreement; (b) an S&P Second Level Downgrade occurs and is continuing, then within 10 Local Business Days (as defined in the Cap Agreement) after such rating withdrawal or downgrade, the Cap Provider shall, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to S&P, at its own expense, either (i) procure a Permitted Transfer or (ii) obtain an Eligible Guaranty; and (c) a Moody's Second Level Downgrade occurs and is continuing, the Cap Provider shall as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter, at its own expense and using commercially reasonable efforts, either (i) procure a Permitted Transfer or (ii) obtain an Eligible Guaranty.

(v) The Cap Agreement also will provide that the following will constitute "Additional Termination Events" under the Cap Agreement upon the occurrence of which the Issuer will have the right (subject to a Rating Confirmation) to terminate the Cap Agreement: (a) if a S&P First Level Downgrade has occurred and is continuing and the Cap Provider fails to take any action described in clause (a) in the preceding paragraph within the time period specified therein; (b) a S&P Second Level Downgrade has occurred and is continuing and the Cap Provider fails to take any action described in clause (b) in the preceding paragraph within the time period specified therein; (c)(i) a Moody's Second Level Downgrade has occurred and been continuing for 30 or more Local Business Days and (ii) the Cap Provider has failed to comply with or perform any obligation to be complied with or performed by the Cap Provider in accordance with the Cap Agreement; and (d)(i) a Moody's Second Level Downgrade has occurred and been continuing for 30 or more Local Business Days and (ii) either (I) at least one Eligible Replacement has made a Firm Offer to be the transferee or (II) at least one entity that satisfies the Moody's Approved Ratings Threshold has made a Firm Offer to provide an Eligible Guaranty in respect of all of the Cap Provider's present and future obligations under the Cap Agreement.



(vi) In the event of any transfer, assignment or replacement of the Cap Agreement following the occurrence of a "Rating Agency Downgrade" under the Cap Agreement, the Issuer shall use (and cause its agents to use) reasonable commercial efforts to incur only reasonable costs and expenses in connection with such transfer, assignment or replacement including, without limitation, costs and expenses of legal counsel.

(b) Other Hedge Agreements:

(i) On and after the Closing Date, subject to the conditions specified in this Section 2.14(b), the Issuer may enter into additional Hedge Agreements (including, without limitation, interest rate swap, cap or floor agreements, basis swap agreements or, with respect to the Revolving Period only, timing swap agreements) to hedge interest rate exposure or payment timing or accrual mismatches attributable to the Portfolio Collateral, increase or reduce the notional amount of an existing Hedge Agreement, sell all or a portion of any Hedge Agreement or terminate any Hedge Agreement if (x) Rating Agency Confirmation has been obtained or (y) such Hedge Agreement is a Form-Approved Hedge Agreement; *provided, further*, that with respect to a Form-Approved Hedge Agreement for which consent by the Rating Agencies to use the form in this transaction has been sought after the Closing Date, a Majority of the Controlling Class shall have consented to the use of such form.

(ii) Any termination or similar amount payable by a Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer upon any such reduction, increase, amendment, modification or termination pursuant to the related Hedge Agreement shall constitute Collateral Principal Collections in the Due Period in which such payment is received. Any such amount payable by the Issuer to such Hedge Counterparty shall be payable in accordance with Section 11.1 hereof. Any voluntary termination of a Hedge Agreement shall be subject to Rating Agency Confirmation.

(iii) Each Hedge Agreement shall be required to contain limited recourse and non-petition provisions equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those contained in this Indenture.

(iv) Each Hedge Agreement shall provide that if the ratings of the related Hedge Counterparty or its guarantor, as applicable, are reduced to a level below the levels required in such Hedge Agreement, the related Hedge Counterparty (or guarantor, as applicable) shall be required to (x) provide credit support in order to collateralize its obligations under such Hedge Agreement, (y) provide a guarantee of its obligations under such Hedge Agreement from a guarantor having the required ratings or (z) assign such Hedge Agreement to an eligible assignee, in each case as provided in such Hedge Agreement.

(v) Each Hedge Agreement shall provide that the Issuer may terminate such Hedge Agreement (whether or not the Notes have been paid in full prior to

such termination) if, among other things, any of the following events occurs: (w) the bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, reorganization or similar events with respect to the a Hedge Counterparty, (x) failure of the related Hedge Counterparty to make any payment when due (subject to any applicable grace period), (y) a change in law making it illegal for the Issuer or the related Hedge Counterparty to be party to or perform its obligations under such Hedge Agreement or (z) the failure of the related Hedge Counterparty to take the action or actions required of it (including but not limited to those set forth in clause (iv) hereof) upon a reduction or withdrawal of the ratings of the related Hedge Counterparty or its guarantor below the levels specified in the Hedge Agreement. Each Hedge Agreement shall also provide that it may be terminated pursuant to its terms upon any redemption of the Notes in whole and may provide for the right of the related Hedge Counterparty to terminate such Hedge Agreement upon the occurrence of specified "events of default" or "termination events"; *provided* that no Hedge Agreement may provide for termination upon the occurrence of a Default or an Event of Default under Section 5.1 hereof unless any resulting acceleration of the Notes may no longer be rescinded pursuant to the terms of this Indenture.

(c) The Trustee shall in accordance with each applicable Note Valuation Report pay on each Payment Date amounts due by the Issuer to any Hedge Counterparty under each Hedge Agreement in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

(d) All termination or similar payments required to be paid by the Issuer under any Hedge Agreement shall be payable only on a Payment Date in accordance with Section 11.1 hereof. If a Hedge Counterparty is the sole "defaulting party" or sole "affected party" (as each such term is defined in the related Hedge Agreement), any such termination or similar payment shall be payable by the Issuer only on a subordinated basis in accordance with Section 11.1 hereof. A Hedge Agreement may provide that interest shall accrue on any such subordinated termination or similar payment not paid in full on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available for such payment on such Payment Date in accordance with Section 11.1.

(e) In addition to the right of the Issuer to enter into additional Hedge Agreements after the Closing Date as set forth in clause (b) hereof, the Issuer may enter into one or more Hedge Agreements in substitution for any terminated Hedge Agreement on terms similar to those of the terminated Hedge Agreement. Any costs attributable to such substitute Hedge Agreement in excess of the termination amounts or similar proceeds received by the Issuer upon termination of the terminated Hedge Agreement shall constitute Aggregate Base Fees and Expenses payable in accordance with Section 11.1 hereof.

(f) Upon the failure of a Hedge Counterparty to pay to the Issuer when due any payment required to be made by such Hedge Counterparty under the related Hedge Agreement, the Issuer or Servicer on its behalf shall promptly make demand for such payment. If such payment is not received by the Business Day immediately following such demand, the Issuer shall provide telephonic notice (promptly confirmed in writing) of such failure to the Trustee and, if applicable, any guarantor of such Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement. Upon receipt of such notice (or earlier, if the Trustee has actual knowledge of the failure), the Trustee shall demand payment by such Hedge Counterparty (or guarantor, if

applicable) by 12:30 p.m., New York time, on such day (or, if such demand is made after 11:30 a.m. on any day, by 12:30 p.m. on the next succeeding Business Day). The Trustee shall notify Noteholders if such Hedge Counterparty fails to make any required payment within two Business Days after demand by the Trustee therefor.

(g) Any action provided for in this section to be undertaken by the Issuer with respect to a Hedge Agreement (including, without limitation, entering into, terminating or amending a Hedge Agreement or delivering any notice, demand, request, authorization, consent, waiver or other communication under a Hedge Agreement) may be taken by the Servicer pursuant to the authority granted to the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement.

### ARTICLE III

#### AUTHENTICATION AND DELIVERY OF NOTES

##### Section 3.1. General Provisions.

On the Closing Date, the Notes (with the exception of the Class B-2L Notes) shall be executed by the Co-Issuers, and the Class B-2L Notes and the Combination Notes shall be executed by the Issuer, and delivered to the Trustee for authentication and thereupon the same shall be authenticated and delivered by the Trustee upon the Issuer's written request and upon compliance with the conditions of Section 3.2 hereof, and upon receipt by the Trustee of the following:

(a) an Officers' Certificate of the Co-Issuers evidencing the authorization of the execution, authentication (as applicable) and delivery of the Transaction Documents, the Notes (with the exception of the Class B-2L Notes) and specifying the Final Maturity Dates, the applicable principal or stated amounts and the interest rates and yields of each Class of Notes to be authenticated and delivered;

(b) an Officers' Certificate of the Issuer evidencing the authorization of the execution, authentication and delivery of the Class B-2L Notes, the Combination Notes and the Preferred Shares and specifying the Final Maturity Date, the applicable principal or stated amount and the interest rate and yield of the Class B-2L Notes, the Combination Notes and the Preferred Shares;

(c) an Opinion or Opinions of Counsel, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the form or forms attached hereto as Schedule G.

(d) an Officer's Certificate or Certificates of the Co-Issuers stating that all representations and warranties of the Co-Issuers set forth in the Transaction Documents are true and correct and neither of the Co-Issuers is in Default under this Indenture, that no "Event of Default" or "Termination Event" exists under any Hedge Agreement and that the issuance of the Notes, the Combination Note and the Preferred Shares then applied for will not result in a breach of any of the terms, conditions or provisions of, or constitute a default under, any indenture or other agreement or instrument to which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, is a party or by which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, is bound, or any order of any court or administrative agency entered in any

proceeding to which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, is a party or by which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, is bound or to which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, is subject; and that all conditions precedent (other than the deposit of cash by the Trustee in the appropriate accounts as provided in Section 3.2(e), (f) and (g) hereof) provided in this Section 3.1 and all requirements under Section 3.2 hereof and all conditions precedent otherwise provided in this Indenture relating to the authentication and delivery of the Notes and the Combination Notes applied for have been complied with;

(e) an Accountants' Certificate in form and substance acceptable to the Issuer and the Co-Issuer confirming that the Notes of each Class (including the Note Component with respect to the Combination Notes) will be retired by their Final Maturity Dates in accordance with the assumptions set forth in Section 1.3 hereof and specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing;

(f) an executed counterpart of the Servicing Agreement, the Cap Agreement, the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement;

(g) the Initial Portfolio Collateral as provided in Section 3.2(a) hereof;

(h) an Issuer Request directing the Trustee to authenticate the Notes and the Combination Notes in the amounts set forth therein, registered in the name(s) set forth therein or as otherwise provided to the Trustee by the Issuer or at its direction, and to make delivery thereof to the Issuer or as it may otherwise direct therein;

(i) an Officer's Certificate from the Servicer (i) confirming that Schedule A attached to this Indenture correctly lists the Initial Portfolio Collateral to be granted to the Trustee on the Closing Date (in the case of items of Debt Securities) or scheduled to be granted to the Trustee on or not later than thirty (30) days after the Closing Date (in the case of Portfolio Loans) pursuant to the Granting Clauses hereof and (ii) confirming such information with respect to each item of Initial Portfolio Collateral as the Issuer reasonably deems necessary to confirm that such item of Initial Portfolio Collateral, individually and in the aggregate, meets the requirements specified in this Indenture; and

(j) such other documents as the Trustee may reasonably require.

### Section 3.2. Security for Notes.

On the Closing Date, the following conditions shall have been satisfied:

(a) Delivery of Initial Portfolio Collateral. The Initial Portfolio Collateral to be Granted to the Trustee on such Closing Date, in an amount at least equal to the Initial Portfolio Collateral Amount, shall have been Delivered to the Trustee (or, with respect to Portfolio Loans, trade confirmations, commitment letters, assignment documents or other documents evidencing a commitment to purchase by the Issuer of the Initial Portfolio

Collateral on or not later than thirty (30) days after the Closing Date shall have been delivered to the Trustee).

(b) Certificate of the Issuer. A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, shall have been delivered to the Trustee to the effect, in the case of each item of Portfolio Collateral and the Deposit included in the Trust Estate on the Closing Date, that as of the Closing Date:

(i) the Issuer is the owner of such item of Portfolio Collateral and the Deposit free and clear of any liens, claims (including any adverse claims) or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever, except for those granted or expressly permitted pursuant to this Indenture and due bills, if any, with respect to interest, or a portion thereof, accrued on such Portfolio Collateral prior to the first payment date and owed by the Issuer to the seller of such Portfolio Collateral;

(ii) the Issuer has acquired its ownership in such item of Portfolio Collateral and the Deposit in good faith without notice of any adverse claim, except as described in paragraph (b)(i) above;

(iii) the Issuer has Delivered such item of Portfolio Collateral to the Trustee and has not assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered any interest in such Portfolio Collateral or the Deposit other than interests granted or expressly permitted pursuant to this Indenture;

(iv) the Issuer has full right to Grant and does Grant pursuant to the Granting Clauses such item of Portfolio Collateral and the Deposit to the Trustee;

(v) the information set forth with respect to such item of Portfolio Collateral in Schedule A hereto is correct;

(vi) such item of Portfolio Collateral satisfies the requirements of the definition of Portfolio Collateral; and

(vii) no such item of Portfolio Collateral is Discount Portfolio Collateral.

(c) Rating Letters. The Trustee shall have received written evidence that the Class A-1LA Notes have been rated "AAA" by Standard & Poor's and "Aaa" by Moody's, the Class A-1LB Notes have been rated "AAA" by Standard & Poor's and "Aaa" by Moody's, the Class A-2L Notes have been rated at least "AA" by Standard & Poor's and at least "Aa2" by Moody's, the Class A-3L Notes have been rated at least "A" by Standard & Poor's and at least "A2" by Moody's, the Class B-1L Notes have been rated "BBB" by Standard & Poor's and "Baa2" by Moody's, that the Class B-2L Notes have been rated "BB" by Standard & Poor's and "Ba2" by Moody's and the Combination Notes have been rated at least "Baa2" by Moody's as to the Rated Balance and the Rated Coupon of the Combination Notes.

(d) Accounts. The Collection Account, the Collateral Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Reserve Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Expense Account, the Loan Funding Account, the Default Swap Collateral Account, the Default Swap Issuer Account and the Preferred Shares Collection Account shall have been established.

(e) Initial Deposit Account. The Issuer shall have delivered to the Trustee on the Closing Date cash in the amount of \$22,356,921 representing the Deposit for inclusion in the Trust Estate and the Trustee shall have credited such cash to the Initial Deposit Account.

(f) Expense Reimbursement Account; Closing Expense Deposit. The Issuer shall have delivered to the Trustee on the Closing Date cash in the amount of at least \$50,000 for inclusion in the Trust Estate and the Trustee shall have credited such cash to the Expense Reimbursement Account. The Issuer shall have delivered to the Trustee on the Closing Date cash in the amount of \$2,879,230 for inclusion in the Trust Estate, and the Trustee shall have credited such cash to the Closing Expense Account (the "Closing Expense Deposit") which, after payment of all closing expenses (according to the list delivered to the Trustee), shall be transferred to the Initial Deposit Account or the Collection Account and applied as set forth in Section 10.2(h).

(g) Loan Funding Account. The Issuer shall have delivered to the Trustee on the Closing Date cash in the amount of \$6,213,244 which is equal to the Issuer's commitment to make or otherwise fund draws related to any Delayed Drawdown Loans or Revolving Loans in the Initial Portfolio Collateral and the Trustee shall have credited such cash to the Loan Funding Account.

### Section 3.3. Initial Deposit Redemption.

(a) The Issuer shall use reasonable efforts to use on or prior to the Effective Date the available funds and Eligible Investments in the Initial Deposit Account (other than Account Income on funds on deposit in the Initial Deposit Account) to purchase additional Original Portfolio Collateral as permitted pursuant to Section 3.4 hereof taking into account the Initial Portfolio Collateral and Original Portfolio Collateral already purchased by the Issuer in the Trust Estate (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any of the Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date). If the remaining Deposit in the Initial Deposit Account as of the Effective Date equals or exceeds \$2,000,000 and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Original Portfolio Collateral (determined in accordance with the foregoing sentence) acquired or committed to be acquired by the Issuer is less than the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount (subject to the second paragraph of Section 3.4(a)), the Issuer shall cause an Initial Deposit Redemption to occur on the Initial Deposit Redemption Date by redeeming the Class A-1LA Notes in an aggregate amount equal to the excess of the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount over the par amount of Original Portfolio Collateral; *provided* that the amount applied to such Initial Deposit Redemption shall not exceed the remaining amount of the Deposit (the "Initial Deposit Redemption Amount"). No interest or other amount in excess of the Initial Deposit Redemption Amount, other than the Periodic Interest Amount with respect to

the Class A-1LA Notes through the Initial Deposit Redemption Date due on the next succeeding Payment Date, shall be payable on or in respect of the Class A-1LA redeemed in an Initial Deposit Redemption. If there is a Deposit in the Initial Deposit Account on the Effective Date but no Initial Deposit Redemption is required pursuant to the terms of this Section 3.3(a), the remaining Deposit in the Initial Deposit Account shall be transferred to the Collection Account on the Effective Date and shall, subject to Section 3.4(d), constitute Collateral Principal Collections. Account Income in the Initial Deposit Account shall be transferred to the Collection Account on the Effective Date and shall constitute Collateral Interest Collections.

(b) If an Initial Deposit Redemption is required, the Issuer, not later than the third Business Day immediately following the Effective Date, shall notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency in writing that an Initial Deposit Redemption is required pursuant to Section 3.3(a) hereof and the amount of the Class A-1LA Notes required to be redeemed pursuant thereto.

(c) Notice of an Initial Deposit Redemption shall be given by the Trustee by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not less than ten calendar days prior to the Initial Deposit Redemption Date, to each Holder of the Class A-1LA Notes to be redeemed at the address for such Holder in the Note Register and so long as any Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, to the Irish Paying Agent. All notices of Initial Deposit Redemption shall state the Initial Deposit Redemption Date, the Redemption Record Date with respect thereto, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes to be redeemed, and that no interest or other amount in excess of the Initial Deposit Redemption Amount shall be payable on the amount of the Class A-1LA Notes to be redeemed.

(d) If an Initial Deposit Redemption is required, all Eligible Investments in the Initial Deposit Account representing the Deposit not applied to the purchase of Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date shall be liquidated on the Business Day immediately preceding the Initial Deposit Redemption Date and the proceeds thereof shall be held in the Initial Deposit Account. On the Initial Deposit Redemption Date, the Trustee shall withdraw from the Initial Deposit Account all funds therein and apply such funds to the payment of Holders of the Notes in an amount equal to the Initial Deposit Redemption Amount or to a deposit in the Collection Account, as applicable.

#### Section 3.4. [Purchase of Portfolio Collateral between the Closing Date and the Effective Date; Effective Date Conditions.](#)

(a) The Issuer may (i) purchase Original Portfolio Collateral on any Business Day during the period from and including the Closing Date to and including the Effective Date or (ii) enter into a commitment to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral on any Business Day during the period from and including the Closing Date to and including the Effective Date for purchase on or as soon as practicable thereafter (*provided* that the agreed to settlement date shall not be more than thirty (30) days after the Effective Date), in each case, for inclusion in the Trust Estate in an aggregate amount equal to the Deposit in the Initial Deposit Account. Upon receipt of a Servicer Order requesting the purchase of Original Portfolio Collateral the Trustee shall pay out of the Initial Deposit Account, during the period commencing on the Closing Date and

ending on the Effective Date, all or a portion of the funds available therein for the purpose of purchasing Original Portfolio Collateral.

No Original Portfolio Collateral may be purchased prior to the Effective Date unless immediately following the purchase of such item of Portfolio Collateral (as certified by Servicer Order), the remaining Deposit in the Initial Deposit Account, after giving effect to such purchase, is sufficient as of the date of determination to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral in an Aggregate Principal Amount at least equal to the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount for delivery into the Trust Estate (taking into account the Initial Portfolio Collateral and Original Portfolio Collateral already in the Trust Estate (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any of the Original Portfolio Collateral on or before the Effective Date)).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, or any other provision hereof, if the Issuer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase an item of Portfolio Collateral to be included in the Trust Estate, such commitment not to exceed thirty (30) days, and at the time of such commitment such an item of Portfolio Collateral complied with the definition of Portfolio Collateral and this Section 3.4(a), then the Issuer may consummate the purchase of such an item of Portfolio Collateral notwithstanding that such an item of Portfolio Collateral fails to comply with the definition of Portfolio Collateral and such criteria on the date of settlement.

(b) The Servicer shall cause to be delivered to the Trustee on the Effective Date an amended Schedule A to this Indenture listing all Original Portfolio Collateral (including the Initial Portfolio Collateral then in the Trust Estate) and all commitments to purchase Original Portfolio Collateral, which schedule shall supersede any prior Schedule A delivered to the Trustee.

(c) The Issuer will use its commercially reasonable efforts to purchase, or to enter into binding agreements to purchase, Original Portfolio Collateral by the Effective Date, that, including the Initial Portfolio Collateral, will satisfy, as of the Effective Date, the Collateral Quality Tests, the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 and the Overcollateralization Tests. Within 5 Business Days after the Effective Date, the Issuer or the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) shall request a Rating Confirmation on behalf of the Issuer and shall provide a report to the Rating Agencies identifying the Original Portfolio Collateral and the Issuer shall obtain and deliver to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies, together with the delivery of a report (and an electronic file of the Original Portfolio Collateral to S&P) substantially in the form of a Monthly Report as of the Effective Date, an Accountants' Certificate (a) confirming the maturity date, rating, spread, coupon and recovery rate for each item of Original Portfolio Collateral as of the Effective Date and the information provided by the Issuer with respect to every other asset included or to be included in the Trust Estate, by reference to such sources as shall be specified therein, (b) confirming that as of the Effective Date (1) each Overcollateralization Test is met; (2) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Original Portfolio Collateral that the Issuer owned or committed to purchase as of the Effective Date is at least equal to the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount and (3) the Portfolio Collateral complies with all of the requirements of the Collateral Quality Tests and the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 and (c) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing



statements. If a Rating Confirmation Failure should occur, the Notes will be redeemed pursuant to Section 9.2 hereof.

(d) Notwithstanding any provision in this Indenture to the contrary, if, on the Effective Date, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to the Original Portfolio Collateral on or prior to such time) exceeds the Required Portfolio Collateral Amount and there are funds remaining from the Deposit held in the Initial Deposit Account, the Servicer may direct the Trustee to transfer up to the least of (i) 25% of such funds and (iii) \$1,000,000, to the Collection Account as additional Collateral Interest Collections; *provided* that the Overcollateralization Tests and the collateral criteria described herein are satisfied and the Interest Coverage Test for the most recent Payment Date was satisfied. The remainder of the Deposit shall be transferred by the Trustee to the Collection Account to be applied as Collateral Principal Collections on the Payment Date immediately following the date of determination.

### Section 3.5. Intermediaries.

(a) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, to the extent any items of Portfolio Collateral issued by an issuer that is not the United States of America, an agency or instrumentality thereof, or some other U.S. Person (collectively, "Non-U.S. Portfolio Securities") are Granted to the Trustee, such Non-U.S. Portfolio Securities may be delivered to and held by the Trustee through one or more Foreign Sub-custodians or Foreign Clearance Systems (as those terms are defined in the Section below; collectively, "Foreign Intermediaries") if such Non-U.S. Portfolio Securities cannot be Delivered to the Trustee.

(b) The Trustee, for the purpose of receiving and holding any Non-U.S. Portfolio Securities that cannot be Delivered to the Trustee, may appoint one or more banking or securities institutions located outside the United States (each a "Foreign Sub-custodian") and/or clearing agencies or systems located outside the United States (each, a "Foreign Clearance System"), including without limitation Euroclear and Clearstream. With respect to Non-U.S. Portfolio Securities (and related cash) held through Foreign Intermediaries, such Foreign Intermediaries may be authorized to hold Non-U.S. Portfolio Securities in central securities depositories or clearing agencies in which such Foreign Intermediaries participate.

(c) The Trustee's responsibility with respect to the selection or appointment of Foreign Intermediaries shall be limited to a duty to exercise reasonable care in the selection or retention of such Foreign Intermediaries in light of prevailing settlement and securities handling practices, procedures and controls in the relevant market and subject to Section 6.3 hereof; *provided* that the appointment of Euroclear or Clearstream to act as Foreign Intermediary shall be deemed to have been made in the exercise of due care. With respect to any costs, expenses, damages, liabilities, or claims (including, without limitation, attorneys' and accountants' fees) incurred by the Issuer as a result of the acts or the failure to act by any Foreign Intermediaries, the Trustee shall take reasonable action to recover such costs, expenses, damages, liabilities, or claims from such Foreign Intermediaries; *provided* that the Trustee's sole liability in that regard shall be limited to amounts actually received by it from such Foreign Intermediaries (exclusive of related costs and expenses incurred by the Trustee). The Trustee shall not be responsible or

liable for any failure or delay in the performance of its obligations under this Indenture arising out of or caused, directly or indirectly, by circumstances beyond its reasonable control, including without limitation, acts of God; earthquakes or fires; floods, wars, civil or military disturbances; sabotage; epidemics; riots; interruptions, loss or malfunctions of utilities, computer (hardware or software) or communication service; accidents; labor disputes; acts of civil or military authority; governmental actions; or inability to obtain labor, material, equipment or transportation.

#### ARTICLE IV

#### SATISFACTION AND DISCHARGE

##### Section 4.1. Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture.

Provided no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing hereunder, this Indenture shall cease to be of further effect with respect to the Notes and the Combination Notes except as to (i) rights of registration of transfer and exchange, (ii) substitution of mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Notes or Combination Notes, (iii) rights of Noteholders to receive payments of principal thereof and interest thereon, as applicable, and any other amounts payable in respect thereof, (iv) the rights, obligations and immunities of the Trustee hereunder, and (v) the rights of Noteholders as beneficiaries hereof with respect to the property deposited with the Trustee and payable to all or any of them and the Trustee, on demand of and at the expense of the Issuer, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture when:

(1) Either

(a) all Notes and Combination Notes theretofore authenticated and delivered (other than (i) Notes and Combination Notes which have been destroyed, lost or stolen and which have been paid or replaced as provided in Section 2.6 hereof and (ii) Notes and Combination Notes for whose payment money has theretofore been deposited in trust and thereafter repaid to the Issuer or discharged from such trust, as provided in Section 7.3 hereof) have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation; or

(b) all Notes and Combination Notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation (i) have become due and payable, or (ii) will become due and payable at their Final Maturity Dates within one year;

and the Issuer, in the case of (b)(i) or (ii) above, has (x) irrevocably deposited or caused to be deposited with the Trustee in trust for such purpose, cash or Eligible Investments (any security satisfying the definition of Eligible Investments but for the maturity of such security shall for this purpose be deemed an Eligible Investment), the amount of cash and the Scheduled Distributions on any Eligible Investments being in an amount sufficient to pay and discharge the amount that equals the sum of the Cumulative Interest Amount on each Class of Notes to the date of such deposit or to the Final Maturity Date, as the case may be, and the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Notes and Combination Notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation, in each case to the extent not previously paid and (y) delivered an Accountants'

Certificate to the Trustee confirming such calculations; *provided* that subsection (b) hereof shall not apply if an election to act in accordance with the provisions of Section 5.5 hereof shall have been made and not rescinded (except that the deposit of cash that would otherwise apply in the case of such subsection (b) shall nevertheless be required); *provided further* that any Eligible Investments deposited hereunder shall at the date of such deposit be rated no lower than the highest rating assigned to any of the Notes or the Combination Notes then outstanding;

(2) the Issuer has paid or caused to be paid all other sums payable hereunder and under each Hedge Agreement by the Issuer; and

(3) the Issuer has delivered to the Trustee an Officer's Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that all conditions precedent herein provided for relating to the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture with respect to the Notes and the Combination Notes have been complied with.

#### Section 4.2. [Application of Trust Money.](#)

All monies deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 4.1 hereof shall be held in trust by the Trustee and applied by it, in accordance with the provisions of the Notes, the Combination Notes and this Indenture, to the payment to the Person entitled thereto of the principal and interest in accordance with Section 11.1 hereof for whose payment such money has been deposited with the Trustee, and such money shall be held in a non-interest bearing segregated trust account identified as being held in trust for the benefit of the Noteholders and subject to the lien of this Indenture. Except as specifically provided herein, the Trustee shall not be responsible for payment of interest upon any monies deposited with it.

### ARTICLE V

#### [REMEDIES](#)

##### Section 5.1. [Events of Default.](#)

"Event of Default" means any one of the following events (whatever the reason for such Event of Default and whether it shall be voluntary or involuntary or be effected by operation of law or pursuant to any judgment, decree or order of any court or any order, rule or regulation of any administrative or governmental body):

(a) (i) default for a period of four Business Days or more (or, in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, any Paying Agent or the Note Registrar, for a period of seven Business Days or more, *provided* that the Trustee has notified each Rating Agency in writing of any such administrative error or omission) in the payment of any amount payable in respect of any Note when due when funds in such amount are available for payment as provided herein, or (ii) the failure to apply funds which are available for payment in accordance with the priority of distribution set forth in Article XI hereof, which failure shall continue for a period of four Business Days (or, in the case of a default in payment due solely to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, any Paying Agent or the Note Registrar, for a period of seven Business Days or more, *provided* that the Trustee has notified each

Rating Agency in writing of any such administrative error or omission), or (iii) default for a period of four Business Days or more (or, in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, any Paying Agent or the Note Registrar, for a period of seven Business Days or more, *provided* that the Trustee has notified each Rating Agency in writing of any such administrative error or omission) in the payment of the Periodic Interest Amount due on any Class of Senior Class A Notes, or, after the Senior Class A Notes are paid in full, the Periodic Interest Amount due on any Class A-3L Notes, or after the Class A Notes are paid in full, the Periodic Interest Amount due on any Class B-1L Notes, or after the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes are paid in full, the Class B-2L Notes, on any Payment Date, or (iv) default in the payment of the Aggregate Principal Amount and the Cumulative Interest Amount, due on any Class of Notes on the Final Maturity Date; or

(b) default in the performance or breach of any covenant, representation, warranty or other agreement of the Co-Issuers (or either one of them), other than compliance with the Overcollateralization Tests, the Interest Coverage Test or the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 hereof or a default in the performance or breach of a covenant, representation, warranty or other agreement which is specifically dealt with elsewhere in this Section or in Article VII hereof, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Co-Issuers (or either one of them) made in this Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant hereto or in connection herewith to be correct in all material respects when the same shall have been made, in either case which materially and adversely affects the rights of any Class of Noteholders and continuance of such default, breach or failure for a period of 30 days after written notice thereof shall have been given to the Co-Issuers or the Servicer by the Trustee or to the Co-Issuers, the Servicer and the Trustee by the Majority Noteholders, specifying such default, breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that such notice is a "Notice of Default" hereunder; or

(c) the entry of a decree or order by a court having jurisdiction in the premises adjudging either of the Co-Issuers as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition of or in respect of either of the Co-Issuers under the Bankruptcy Code or any other applicable law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of either of the Co-Issuers or of any substantial part of their respective property, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of their respective affairs, and the continuance of any such decree, order, case or proceeding not dismissed, discharged or stayed and in effect for a period of 60 consecutive days; or

(d) the institution by either of the Co-Issuers of proceedings to be adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by either of them to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency proceedings against either of them, or the filing by either of them of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Bankruptcy Code or any other similar applicable law, or the consent by either of the Co-Issuers to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee or sequestrator (or other similar official) of either of the Co-Issuers or of any substantial part of their respective property, or to the ordering of the winding up or

liquidation of their respective affairs, or the making by either of them of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by either of them in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or the taking of any action by either of the Co-Issuers in furtherance of any such action; or

(e) either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of assets constituting the Trust Estate becomes required to register as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act; or

(f) the failure to maintain on any Calculation Date a Senior Class A Overcollateralization Ratio greater than or equal to 100%.

Section 5.2. Acceleration of Maturity; Rescission and Annulment.

(a) If an Event of Default (other than an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(c) or (d)) with respect to the Notes occurs and is continuing, the Trustee may, with the consent of the Requisite Noteholders, and shall, at the written direction of the Requisite Noteholders, declare the principal of the Notes to be immediately due and payable, by a notice in writing to the Issuer and the Servicer. If an Event of Default as specified in Section 5.1(c) or (d) occurs and is continuing, the principal of the Notes shall be and become immediately due and payable without the necessity of notice or any other action of any Person. If the Notes are declared to be immediately due and payable or if an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(c) or (d) hereof occurs, the Holders of each Class of Notes shall be entitled to receive, as applicable, and in the order of priority set forth in Section 11.1(d), the Cumulative Interest Amount and the Aggregate Principal Amount with respect thereto (in each case as calculated and accrued through the date of payment in full of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Notes), and the Servicer shall be entitled to receive the amounts payable to the Servicer under and in the order of priority set forth in Sections 11.1(b) and 11.1(d).

(b) At any time after such a declaration of acceleration of maturity has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee as provided in this Article, the Requisite Noteholders, by written notice to the Trustee and the Co-Issuers, may rescind and annul such declaration and its consequences if:

(i) the Issuer has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:

(A) all overdue amounts payable on or in respect of the Notes (other than amounts due solely as a result of the acceleration);

(B) to the extent that payment of interest on such amount is lawful, interest on such overdue amounts at the Applicable Periodic Rate; and

(C) all unpaid Trustee Administrative Expenses, Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses, Issuer Base Administrative Expenses, Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses, and other sums paid or advanced by the Trustee and the Paying and Transfer Agent hereunder and under the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement and the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements

and advances of the Trustee and the Paying and Transfer Agent, their agents and counsel.

(ii) the Trustee has (A) received written evidence that the sum paid or deposited with the Trustee by the Issuer pursuant to clause (i) above is sufficient, and (B) determined that all Events of Default, other than the nonpayment of such amount that has become due solely by such acceleration, have been (1) cured, and the Requisite Noteholders by written notice to the Trustee have agreed with such determination (which agreement shall not unreasonably be withheld), or (2) waived as provided in Section 5.15 hereof.

### Section 5.3. Proceedings.

If an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing and the Notes have been declared due and payable and such declaration and its consequences have not been rescinded and annulled, or at any time on or after the Final Maturity Date, the Trustee may in its discretion proceed to protect and enforce its rights and the rights of the Noteholders by such appropriate Proceedings, in its own name and as trustee of an express trust, as the Trustee shall deem most effective or as the Trustee may be directed in writing by the Requisite Noteholders to protect and enforce any such rights, whether for the specific enforcement of any covenant or agreement in this Indenture or in aid of the exercise of any power granted herein, or for collection of sums due and unpaid, or to enforce any other proper remedy or legal or equitable right vested in the Trustee by this Indenture or by law, but subject, however, to the terms of Section 5.4 hereof. The reasonable compensation, costs, expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or paid by the Trustee, and its agents and counsel, in connection with any such Proceeding, including, without limitation, the exercise of any remedies pursuant to Section 5.4 hereof, shall be reimbursed to the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.7 hereof.

### Section 5.4. Remedies.

(a) If the Notes have been declared due and payable and such declaration and its consequences have not been rescinded or annulled, or at any time on or after the Final Maturity Date, the Trustee may, after written notice to the Noteholders, and, so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent, and shall, upon written direction by the Requisite Noteholders, to the extent permitted by applicable law, do one or more of the following:

(i) institute Proceedings for the collection of all amounts then payable on the Notes or under this Indenture, whether by declaration or otherwise, enforce any judgment obtained, and collect from the Trust Estate securing the Notes monies adjudged due;

(ii) institute Proceedings for the complete or partial foreclosure of this Indenture with respect to the Trust Estate securing the Notes;

(iii) exercise any remedies of a secured party under the UCC including the sale or liquidation of the Trust Estate in accordance with Section 5.18 hereof and take any other appropriate action to protect and enforce the rights and remedies of the Trustee or the Holders of the Notes hereunder; or

(iv) exercise any other rights and remedies that may be available at law or in equity;

*provided* that the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Trust Estate, or any portion thereof, or any rights or interest therein, unless (x) in the case of an acceleration resulting from an Event of Default set forth in Section 5.1(a) hereof, or a sale or liquidation of any portion of the Trust Estate at or greater than its par value (*provided* that Defaulted Portfolio Collateral may be liquidated without reference to, or inclusion in the calculation of, such limitation), the Requisite Noteholders have so directed the Trustee in writing to sell or liquidate the Trust Estate or any portion thereof (y) in the case of an acceleration resulting from an Event of Default set forth in Section 5.1(f) hereof, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Outstanding Senior Class A Notes (or, if the Senior Class A Overcollateralization Ratio is less than 85%, then 60% of the Controlling Class) have so directed the Trustee in writing to sell or liquidate the Trust Estate or any portion thereof or (z) in the case of any other Event of Default or resulting sale or liquidation, 100% of the Noteholders have so directed the Trustee in writing to sell or liquidate the Trust Estate or any portion thereof; *provided further* that no Default Swap, Synthetic Security or Hedge Agreement may be terminated so long as a declaration of acceleration may be rescinded or annulled pursuant to Section 5.2(b). The Trustee shall send written notice to each of the Noteholders, with a copy to the Rating Agencies and so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent, of any proposed sale or liquidation of the Trust Estate together with a brief description thereof and such written notice shall be accompanied by an Accountant's Certificate (i) confirming the information with respect to such sale or liquidation (to the extent such accountants shall be able and willing to confirm such information) and (ii) specifying the procedures, if any, undertaken by them to review the data and computations relating to such sale or liquidation. The cost of such Accountant's Certificate shall be reimbursed to the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.7 hereof. If the applicable Noteholders direct any sale or liquidation of the Trust Estate, or any portion thereof, the Trustee shall sell or liquidate the Trust Estate, or portion, thereof, in accordance with Section 5.18 hereof at one or more public or private sales conducted in any manner permitted by law.

(b) If an Event of Default as described in Section 5.1(b) hereof has occurred and is continuing, the Trustee may, after written notice to the Noteholders, with a copy to the Rating Agencies and each Hedge Counterparty, and so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent, and shall, upon written direction of the Requisite Noteholders, institute a Proceeding to compel performance of the covenant or to cure the representation or warranty, the breach of which gave rise to the Event of Default under such Section and enforce any decree or order arising from such Proceeding.

(c) If an Event of Default described in Sections 5.1(a)(iii) or 5.1(a)(iv) hereof has occurred and is continuing, the Trustee shall, upon written direction of the Requisite Noteholders, terminate the services of the Servicer in accordance with the terms of the Servicing Agreement (subject to the term thereof regarding the appointment of a successor servicer). In the event that such a direct to terminated the Servicer is given, the Trustee shall not be under any duty to appoint or cause the appointment of a successor Servicer or to perform or undertake any duties of the terminated Servicer.



Section 5.5. [Preservation of Trust Estate.](#)

(a) If an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or if the Final Maturity Date has occurred and subject to Section 5.4 hereof, the Trustee shall retain the Trust Estate securing the Notes intact, collect and cause the collection of the proceeds thereof and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Notes in accordance with the provisions of Sections 10.1, 10.2(a), 10.2(b) and 11.1 hereof (unless and until the Notes have been declared due and payable and the applicable Noteholders have directed the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.4(a) hereof to sell or liquidate the Trust Estate or any portion thereof). If the Notes have been declared due and payable pursuant to Section 5.2 hereof or if the Final Maturity Date has occurred, any such retention pursuant to this Section 5.5(a) may be rescinded at any time by written notice to the Trustee and the Co-Issuers from the applicable Noteholders directing the Trustee to sell or liquidate the Trust Estate or any portion thereof, in accordance with Section 5.4(a).

(b) Nothing contained in Section 5.5(a) hereof shall be construed to require the Trustee to preserve the Trust Estate securing the Notes if prohibited by applicable law.

Section 5.6. [Trustee May File Proofs of Claim.](#)

In case there shall be pending Proceedings relative to the Issuer or any other obligor upon the Notes under the Bankruptcy Code or any other applicable bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law, or in case a receiver, assignee, trustee in bankruptcy, liquidator, sequestrator or similar official shall have been appointed for or taken possession of the Issuer or its property or such other obligor or its property, or in case of any other comparable Proceedings relative to the Issuer or other obligor, or in case of any voluntary dissolution, liquidation or winding-up of the Issuer, regardless of whether the principal of any Notes shall then be due and payable as therein expressed or by declaration or otherwise and regardless of whether the Trustee shall have made any demand pursuant to the provisions of Section 5.3 hereof, the Trustee is hereby entitled and empowered to, and may and at the direction of the Requisite Noteholders, shall, by intervention in such Proceedings or otherwise:

(i) file one or more claims for the whole amount of principal and interest owing and unpaid in respect of the Notes, and to file such other papers or documents and take such other actions, including participating as a member, voting or otherwise, of any committee of creditors, as may be necessary or advisable in order to have the claims of the Trustee (including any claim for reasonable compensation to the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, and their respective agents, attorneys and counsel, and for reimbursement of all expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee or any Noteholder, except as a result of negligence or bad faith) and of the Noteholders allowed in such Proceedings;

(ii) unless prohibited by applicable law, upon direction of the Requisite Noteholders vote on behalf of the Holders of the Notes in any election of a trustee, a standby trustee, (or a person performing similar functions); and



(iii) collect and receive any monies or other property payable to or deliverable on any such claims, and distribute in accordance with Section 5.8 hereof all amounts received with respect to the claims of the Noteholders and the Trustee on their behalf; and any trustee, receiver, liquidator, custodian or other similar official is hereby authorized by each of the Noteholders to make payments to the Trustee, and, in the event that the Trustee shall consent to the making of payments directly to the Noteholders, to pay to the Trustee such amounts as shall be sufficient to cover reasonable compensation to the Trustee, each predecessor Trustee and their respective agents, attorneys and counsel, and all other expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee or any Noteholder except as a result of negligence or bad faith.

Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to authorize the Trustee to authorize or consent to or vote for or accept or adopt on behalf of any Noteholder any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or compromise affecting the Notes or the rights of any Holder thereof, or to authorize the Trustee to vote in respect of the claim of any Noteholder in any such Proceeding except, as provided in subparagraph (ii) above, to vote for the election of a trustee in bankruptcy (or person performing similar functions) or to participate as a member of any committee of creditors.

In any Proceedings brought by the Trustee (and also any Proceedings involving the interpretation of any provision of this Indenture to which the Trustee shall be a party) the Trustee shall be held to represent all the Holders of the Notes subject to the provisions of this Indenture, and it shall not be necessary to make any Holders of the Notes parties to any such Proceedings.

Section 5.7. [Trustee May Enforce Claims Without Possession of Notes.](#)

All rights of action and claims under this Indenture or the Notes may be prosecuted and enforced by the Trustee without the possession of any of the Notes or the production thereof in any Proceeding relating thereto, and any such Proceeding instituted by the Trustee shall be brought in its own name as trustee of an express trust, and any recovery of judgment shall be applied as set forth in Section 5.8 hereof.

Section 5.8. [Application of Money Collected.](#)

Any money collected by or on behalf of the Trustee with respect to the Notes pursuant to this Article V (including all collections from, and proceeds of the sale or liquidation of, the Trust Estate) shall be applied at the date or dates fixed by the Trustee and in the same order as specified in Sections 11.1(b) and 11.1(d) hereof.

Section 5.9. [Limitation on Suits.](#)

Except as otherwise provided in Section 5.10 hereof, no Holder of any Note shall have any right to institute any Proceedings, judicial or otherwise, with respect to this Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy hereunder, unless:

(a) such Holder has previously given written notice to the Trustee of a continuing Event of Default;

(b) the Requisite Noteholders shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute Proceedings in respect of such Event of Default in its own name as Trustee hereunder;

(c) such Holder or Holders have offered to the Trustee indemnity reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee against the costs, expenses and liabilities to be incurred by the Trustee in compliance with such request;

(d) the Trustee for 30 days after its receipt of such notice, request and offer of such indemnity has failed to institute any such Proceedings; and

(e) no direction inconsistent with such written request has been given to the Trustee during such 30-day period by the Requisite Noteholders;

it being understood and intended that no one or more Holders of Notes shall have any right in any manner whatever by virtue of, or by availing of, any provision of this Indenture to affect, disturb or prejudice the rights of any other Holders of Notes of the same Class or to obtain or to seek to obtain priority or preference over any other Holders of Notes of the same Class or to enforce any right under this Indenture, except in the manner herein provided and for the equal and ratable benefit of all the Holders of Notes of the same Class.

Section 5.10. Unconditional Rights of Noteholders to Receive Principal and Interest.

Notwithstanding any other provision in this Indenture, but subject to the provisions of Sections 2.7 and 11.1 hereof, (a) the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive an aggregate amount equal to the unpaid Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount, if any, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes and accrued and unpaid interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate, as any such amounts become due and payable, (b) the Holders of the Class A-1LB Notes shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive an aggregate amount equal to the unpaid Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount, if any, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LB Notes and accrued and unpaid interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate, as any such amounts become due and payable, (c) the Holders of the Class A-2L Notes shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive an aggregate amount equal to the unpaid Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount, if any, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2L Notes and accrued and unpaid interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate, as any such amounts become due and payable, (d) the Holders of the Class A-3L Notes shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive an aggregate amount equal to the unpaid Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount, if any, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes and accrued and unpaid interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate, as any such amounts become due and payable, (e) the Holders of the Class B-1L Notes shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive an aggregate amount equal to the unpaid Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount, if any, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes and accrued and

unpaid interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate, as any such amounts become due and payable, and (f) the Holders of the Class B-2L Notes shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive an aggregate amount equal to the unpaid Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount, if any, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-2L Notes and the accrued and unpaid interest thereon at the Applicable Periodic Rate as any such amounts become due and payable. Furthermore, the Holder of any Note shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to institute Proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment, and such right shall not be impaired without the consent of such Holder. Notwithstanding any other provision in this Section 5.10 or otherwise in this Indenture to the contrary, (i) Holders of the Class A-3L Notes shall have no right to institute Proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment until such time as no Senior Class A Notes remain Outstanding, (ii) Holders of the Class B-1L Notes shall have no right to institute Proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment until such time as no Class A Notes remain Outstanding, and (iii) Holders of the Class B-2L Notes shall have no right to institute Proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment until such time as no Class A Notes or Class B-1L Notes remain Outstanding, and, in each case, any such right to institute Proceedings shall be subject to the provisions of Section 5.9 hereof.

#### Section 5.11. [Restoration of Rights and Remedies.](#)

If the Trustee or any Noteholder has instituted any Proceeding to enforce any right or remedy under this Indenture and such Proceeding has been discontinued or abandoned for any reason, or has been determined adversely to the Trustee or to such Noteholder, then and in every such case the Issuer, the Trustee and the Noteholder shall, subject to any determination in such Proceeding, be restored severally and respectively to their former positions hereunder, and thereafter all rights and remedies of the Trustee and the Noteholders shall continue as though no such Proceeding had been instituted.

#### Section 5.12. [Rights and Remedies Cumulative.](#)

No right or remedy herein conferred upon or reserved to the Trustee or to the Holders of the Notes is intended to be exclusive of any other right or remedy, and every right and remedy shall, to the extent permitted by law, be cumulative and in addition to every other right and remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing by law or in equity or otherwise. The assertion or employment of any right or remedy hereunder, or otherwise, shall not prevent the concurrent assertion or employment of any other appropriate right or remedy.

#### Section 5.13. [Delay or Omission Not Waiver.](#)

No delay or omission of the Trustee or of any Holder of any Note to exercise any right or remedy occurring upon any Event of Default shall impair any such right or remedy or constitute a waiver of any such Event of Default or an acquiescence therein. Every right and remedy given by this Article V or by law to the Trustee or to the Noteholders may be exercised from time to time, and as often as may be deemed expedient, by the Trustee or by the Noteholders, as the case may be.

Section 5.14. [Control by Noteholders.](#)

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the Requisite Noteholders, on behalf of the Holders of all the Notes, shall have the right (a) to cause the institution of and direct the time, method and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee or (b) subject to Section 6.3(e) hereof, to direct the Trustee with respect to its exercise of any right, remedy, trust or power conferred on the Trustee; *provided* that:

(i) such direction shall not be in conflict with any rule of law or with any express provision of this Indenture (including, without limitation, any provision hereof providing express personal protection to the Trustee or a limitation on the liability of the Co-Issuers as set forth in Section 2.7(i) hereof), and

(ii) the Trustee may take any other action deemed proper by the Trustee that is not inconsistent with such direction; *provided* that, subject to Section 6.1 hereof, the Trustee need not take any action that it reasonably determines might involve it in liability.

Section 5.15. [Waiver of Past Defaults.](#)

Prior to the time a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee, the Requisite Noteholders may on behalf of the Holders of all the Notes waive any past Default and its consequences, with notice to the Rating Agencies, except a Default:

(a) in the payment of the principal of or interest on any Note, or

(b) in respect of a covenant or provision hereof that under Section 8.2 hereof cannot be modified or amended without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note affected.

In the case of any such waiver, the Issuer, the Trustee and the Holders of the Notes shall be restored to their former positions and rights hereunder, respectively; but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other Default or impair any right consequent thereto. Upon such waiver, such Default shall cease to exist, and any Event of Default arising therefrom shall be deemed to have been cured, for every purpose of this Indenture; but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other Default or impair any right consequent thereon.

Section 5.16. [Undertaking for Costs.](#)

All parties to this Indenture agree, and each Holder of any Note by his acceptance thereof shall be deemed to have agreed, that any court may in its discretion require, in any suit for the enforcement of any right or remedy under this Indenture, or in any suit against the Trustee for any action taken, or omitted by it as Trustee, the filing by any party litigant in such suit of an undertaking to pay the costs of such suit, and that such court may in its discretion assess reasonable costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, against any party litigant in such suit, having due regard to the merits and good faith of the claims or defenses made by such party

litigant; but the provisions of this Section 5.16 shall not apply to any suit instituted by the Trustee, to any suit instituted by any Noteholder, or group of Noteholders, holding in the aggregate more than 10% in Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes, or to any suit instituted by any Noteholder for the enforcement of the payment of the principal of or interest on any Note on or after the Final Maturity Date expressed in such Note.

Section 5.17. [Waiver of Stay or Execution Laws.](#)

Each of the Co-Issuers covenants (to the extent that it may lawfully do so) that it will not at any time insist upon, or plead, or in any manner whatsoever claim or take the benefit or advantage of, any stay or execution law wherever enacted, including, but not limited to, filing a voluntary petition under the Bankruptcy Code now or at any time hereafter in force, which may affect the covenants or the performance of or the exercise of any remedies under this Indenture; and each of the Co-Issuers (to the extent that they may lawfully do so) hereby expressly waives all benefit or advantage of any such law, and covenants that it will not hinder, delay or impede the execution of any power herein granted to the Trustee or any Noteholder, but will suffer and permit the execution of every such power as though no such law had been enacted.

Section 5.18. [Sale of Trust Estate.](#)

(a) The power to effect any sale (a "Sale") of any portion of the Trust Estate pursuant to Section 5.4 and Section 5.5 hereof shall not be exhausted by any one or more Sales as to any portion of such Trust Estate remaining unsold, but shall continue unimpaired until the entire Trust Estate securing the Notes shall have been sold or all amounts payable on the Notes under this Indenture with respect thereto shall have been paid. The costs of any such sale of the Trust Estate shall be reimbursable to the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.7 hereof. The Trustee may, upon notice to the Noteholders, and so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent, and shall, upon direction of the Requisite Noteholders, postpone any Sale by public announcement made at the time of and place of such Sale. The Trustee hereby expressly waives its right to any amount fixed by law as compensation for any Sale.

(b) The Trustee may bid for and acquire any portion of the Trust Estate in connection with a Sale thereof on an arm's length basis to the extent not prohibited by applicable law, and may pay all or part of the purchase price by crediting against amounts owing on the Notes or other amounts secured by this Indenture, all or part of the net proceeds of such Sale after deducting the reasonable costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Trustee in connection with such Sale notwithstanding the provisions of Section 6.7 hereof. The Notes need not be produced in order to complete any such Sale, or in order for the net proceeds of such Sale to be credited against amounts owing on the Notes. The Trustee may hold, lease, operate, manage or otherwise deal with any property so acquired in any manner permitted by law in accordance with this Indenture.

(c) If any portion of the Trust Estate consists of securities issued without registration under the Securities Act ("Unregistered Securities"), the Trustee may seek an Opinion of Counsel, or, if no such Opinion of Counsel can be obtained and with the consent of the Requisite Noteholders, seek a no-action position from the Securities and Exchange

Commission or any other relevant Federal or state regulatory authorities, regarding the legality of a public or private sale of such Unregistered Securities (the costs of which in each case, shall be reimbursable to the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.7 hereof).

(d) The Trustee shall execute and deliver an appropriate instrument of conveyance transferring its interest in any portion of the Trust Estate in connection with a Sale thereof. In addition, the Trustee is hereby irrevocably appointed the agent and attorney-in-fact of the Issuer to transfer and convey its interest in any portion of the Trust Estate in connection with a Sale thereof and to take all action necessary to effect such Sale. No purchaser or transferee at such a Sale shall be bound to ascertain the Trustee's authority, inquire into the satisfaction of any conditions precedent or see to the application of any monies.

Section 5.19. [Action on Notes.](#)

The Trustee's right to seek and recover judgment on the Notes or under this Indenture shall not be affected by the seeking or obtaining of or application for any other relief under or with respect to this Indenture. Neither the lien of this Indenture nor any rights or remedies of the Trustee or the Noteholders hereunder shall be impaired by the recovery of any judgment by the Trustee.

ARTICLE VI

THE TRUSTEE

Section 6.1. [Certain Duties and Responsibilities.](#)

(a) Except during the continuance of an Event of Default known to the Trustee (other than a Trustee Payment-Related Event of Default):

(1) the Trustee undertakes to perform such duties and only such duties as are specifically set forth in this Indenture, and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Indenture against the Trustee; and

(2) in the absence of bad faith on its part, the Trustee may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements and the correctness of the opinions expressed therein, upon certificates or opinions furnished to the Trustee and conforming to the requirements of this Indenture; *provided* that in the case of any such certificates or opinions which by any provision hereof are specifically required to be furnished to the Trustee, the Trustee shall be under a duty to examine the same to determine whether or not they conform on their face to the requirements of this Indenture and shall promptly notify the party delivering the same if such certificate or opinion does not so conform. If a corrected certificate or opinion shall not have been delivered to the Trustee within 15 days after such notice from the Trustee, the Trustee shall so notify the Noteholders.

(b) In case an Event of Default (other than a Trustee Payment-Related Event of Default) of which the Trustee has actual knowledge has occurred and is continuing, the Trustee shall, prior to the receipt of directions, if any, from the Requisite Noteholders, exercise such of the rights and powers vested in it by this Indenture, and use the same degree of care and

skill in its exercise as a prudent person would exercise or use under the circumstances in the conduct of such person's own affairs.

(c) No provision of this Indenture shall be construed to relieve the Trustee from liability for its own negligent action, its own negligent failure to act, or its own willful misconduct, except that:

(1) this subsection shall not be construed to limit the effect of subsection (a) of this Section;

(2) the Trustee shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by a Responsible Officer, unless it shall be proven that the Trustee was negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts;

(3) the Trustee shall not be liable with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in good faith in accordance with the direction of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in accordance with this Indenture and/or the Requisite Noteholders (or Holders with such larger percentage as may be required by the terms hereof) relating to the time, method and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred upon the Trustee, under this Indenture;

(4) no provision of this Indenture shall require the Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or incur any financial liability in the performance of any of its duties hereunder, or in the exercise of any of its rights or powers (unless such financial liabilities or exercise of any of its rights and powers relate to the performance of its ordinary services under this Indenture), if it shall have reasonable grounds for believing that repayment of such funds or indemnity satisfactory to it against such risk or liability is not reasonably assured to it (*provided* that the unsecured agreement of any Noteholder that is an Institutional Investor organized under the laws of the United States or any State in the United States shall constitute adequate assurance with respect to repayment and indemnity; *provided* that the aggregate net worth of the Institutional Investors providing such unsecured agreements shall be not less than \$200,000,000); and

(5) the Trustee shall not be liable to the Noteholders for any action taken or omitted by it at the direction of the Issuer, the Servicer and/or the Holders of the Notes under circumstances in which such direction is required or permitted by the terms of this Indenture.

(d) Whether or not therein expressly so provided, every provision of this Indenture relating to the conduct or affecting the liability of or affording protection to the Trustee shall be subject to the provisions of this Section 6.1 and Section 6.3 hereof.

(e) The Trustee, promptly after receipt by a Responsible Officer, shall transmit by first class mail all Holders of Notes, as their names and addresses appear on the Note Register, all written communications that are required hereunder to be delivered to the Trustee and are received from or on behalf of the Issuer or the Servicer (excluding in the case of the Holders (i) information provided by the Trustee to the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.4 hereof, (ii) so long as no Event of Default (other than a Trustee Payment-Related Event of Default) has



occurred and is continuing, Servicer Orders received by the Trustee pursuant to Sections 10.2, 11.3 and 12.4 hereof, and (iii) Monthly Reports received pursuant to Section 10.5(a) hereof, unless, in any such case, requested by any Holder) and any notification or other communication received from any of the Rating Agencies stating that the rating of any Class of Notes has been, or will be, changed or withdrawn.

Section 6.2. [Notice of Default.](#)

Promptly (and in no event later than 5 Business Days) after the occurrence of any Default or Event of Default of which a Responsible Officer of the Trustee has actual knowledge or after any declaration of acceleration has been made by or delivered to the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.2 hereof, the Trustee shall transmit by mail to the Rating Agencies, to all Holders of Notes, as their names and addresses appear on the Note Register, and to the Issuer, each Hedge Counterparty and the Servicer, notice of all Defaults or Events of Default hereunder of which a Responsible Officer of the Trustee has actual knowledge, unless such Default or Event of Default shall have been cured or waived.

Section 6.3. [Certain Rights of Trustee.](#)

Except as otherwise provided in Section 6.1 hereof:

(a) the Trustee may rely and shall be protected in acting or refraining from acting upon any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, bond, note or other paper or document (including but not limited to any reports prepared and delivered under Article X hereunder) believed by it in good faith to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties;

(b) any request or direction of the Servicer mentioned herein shall be sufficiently evidenced by a Servicer Request or Servicer Order, as the context may require;

(c) whenever in the administration of this Indenture the Trustee shall (i) deem it desirable that a matter be proved or established prior to taking, suffering or omitting any action hereunder, the Trustee (unless other evidence be herein specifically prescribed) may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely upon an Officer's Certificate or (ii) be required to determine the value of any Collateral or funds hereunder or the cash flows projected to be received therefrom, the Trustee may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely on reports of nationally recognized accounting firms or other persons qualified to provide the information required to make such determination including nationally recognized investment bankers and dealers in securities of the type being valued and securities quotation services;

(d) as a condition to the taking or omitting of any action by it hereunder, the Trustee may consult with counsel and the advice of such counsel or any Opinion of Counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection in respect of any action taken or omitted by it hereunder in good faith and in reliance thereon;

(e) the Trustee shall be under no obligation to exercise any of the rights or powers vested in it by this Indenture at the request or direction of any of the Noteholders pursuant to this Indenture unless such Noteholders shall have offered to the Trustee security



reasonably satisfactory to it or indemnity against all costs, expenses and liabilities which might reasonably be incurred by it in compliance with such request or direction (an unsecured indemnity agreement of an Institutional Investor organized under the laws of the United States or any state in the United States shall be deemed sufficient; *provided* that the aggregate net worth of the Institutional Investors providing such unsecured agreements shall not be less than \$200,000,000);

(f) the Trustee shall not be bound to make any investigation into the facts or matters stated in any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, bond, note or other paper or documents received by it, but the Trustee, in its discretion, may and, upon written direction of the Majority Noteholders shall, make such further inquiry or investigation into such facts or matters as it may see fit or as it shall be directed, and the Trustee and any Noteholder (acting solely through the Trustee and at the expense of such Noteholder) shall be entitled, on reasonable prior request (which request shall include a statement of the purpose therefor) made in advance to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer, to examine the books and records of the Issuer and the Servicer relating to the Trust Estate, personally or by agent or attorney during the Issuer's or the Servicer's normal business hours; *provided* that the Trustee or any such Noteholder shall, and shall cause its agents, to hold in confidence all such information, except (i) to the extent disclosure may be required by law, by any regulatory authority, the Transaction Documents or by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners, (ii) a Noteholder may disclose such information to any prospective transferee and to such Noteholder's and transferee's accountants, consultants, attorneys and similar agents; *provided* that all such persons agree in writing to hold such information as confidential and (iii) except to the extent that the Trustee, in its sole judgment, may determine that such disclosure is consistent with its obligations hereunder;

(g) except as otherwise provided in Section 10.3(a), the Trustee may execute any of the trusts or powers hereunder or perform any duties hereunder either directly or by or through agents or attorneys and the Trustee shall not be responsible for any misconduct or negligence on the part of any agent or attorney appointed with due care by it hereunder;

(h) to the extent permitted by applicable law, the Trustee shall not be required to give any bond or surety in respect of the execution of this Indenture or otherwise;

(i) the Trustee shall not be deemed to have notice or knowledge of any matter unless a Responsible Officer within the Corporate Trust Office has actual knowledge thereof or unless written notice thereof is received by the Trustee at the Corporate Trust Office and such notice references the Notes generally, the Issuer or this Indenture. Whenever reference is made in this Indenture to a Default or an Event of Default such reference shall, insofar as determining any liability on the part of the Trustee is concerned, be construed to refer only to a Default or an Event of Default of which the Trustee is deemed to have knowledge in accordance with this paragraph;

(j) the permissive right of the Trustee to take or refrain from taking any actions enumerated in this Indenture shall not be construed as a duty;

(k) the Trustee shall not be liable for any action it takes, or omits to take, in good faith that it reasonably believes to be authorized or within its rights or powers hereunder;

(l) the rights, privileges, protections, immunities and benefits given to the Trustee, including, without limitation its right to be indemnified, are extended to, and shall be enforceable by, the Trustee in each of its capacities hereunder, and to each Paying Agent, Paying and Transfer Agent, Authenticating Agent, Transfer Agent and Note Registrar;

(m) the Trustee shall not be responsible for the accuracy of the books or records of, or acts or omissions of, the Depository, any Transfer Agent (other than the Trustee itself acting in that capacity), Clearstream, Euroclear, any Calculation Agent (other than the Trustee itself acting in that capacity) or any Paying Agent (other than the Trustee itself acting in that capacity); *provided*, the Trustee will make reasonable efforts to correct any errors they become aware of or to notify the appropriate parties of any errors they become aware of; and

(n) the Trustee will not be liable for the actions or omissions of the Servicer, and without limiting the foregoing, the Trustee will not be under any obligation to monitor, evaluate or verify compliance by the Servicer with the terms hereof or the Servicing Agreement, or to verify or independently determine the accuracy of the information received by it from the Servicer (or from any selling institution, agent, bank, trustee or similar source) with respect to the Portfolio Collateral.

Section 6.4. [Not Responsible for Recitals or Issuance of Notes or the Combination Notes.](#)

The recitals contained herein and in the Notes or the Combination Notes, other than the certificate of authentication thereon, shall be taken as the statements of the Issuer, and the Trustee assumes no responsibility for their correctness. The Trustee makes no representation as to the validity or sufficiency of this Indenture, of the Trust Estate, or of the Notes and the Combination Notes. The Trustee shall not be accountable for the use or application by the Issuer of the Notes, the Combination Notes or the Preferred Shares or the proceeds thereof.

Section 6.5. [May Hold Notes and Combination Notes.](#)

(a) Investors Bank & Trust Company, or any other Person that becomes Trustee hereunder, in any capacity, may become the owner or pledgee of Notes and Combination Notes, and may otherwise deal with the Issuer or any Affiliate thereof with the same rights it would have if it were not Trustee.

(b) The Trustee and its Affiliates may invest in for their own account obligations or securities that would be appropriate for inclusion in the assets as Portfolio Collateral, and the Trustee in making those investments has no duty to act in a way that is favorable to the Issuer or the Holders of the Notes, the Combination Notes or the Preferred Shares. The Trustee's Affiliates currently serve, and may in the future serve as investment advisor for other issuers of collateralized debt obligations.

(c) The Trustee and its Affiliates are permitted to receive additional compensation that could be deemed to be in the Trustee's economic self interest for (i) serving as

investment advisor, administrator, shareholder, servicing agent, custodian or sub-custodian with respect to certain Eligible Investments, (ii) using Affiliates to effect transactions in certain Eligible Investments selected by the Servicer and (iii) effecting transactions in certain Eligible Investments. Such compensation shall not be an amount that is reimbursable or payable pursuant to this Indenture. All purchases of Eligible Investments shall be made in accordance with Section 10.2(b).

Section 6.6. [Money Held in Trust.](#)

Money held by the Trustee in trust hereunder need not be segregated from other funds held by the Trustee in trust hereunder except to the extent required herein or required by law. The Trustee shall be under no liability for interest on any money received by it hereunder except as otherwise agreed upon with the Issuer and except to the extent of income or other gain on Eligible Investments which are deposits in, certificates of deposit of, or obligations of the Trustee in its commercial capacity and income or other gain actually received by the Trustee on Eligible Investments. Under no circumstances shall the Trustee be responsible for any losses on investments made in accordance with an Issuer Order or Servicer Order, unless such investment is made in an obligation of the Trustee in its corporate capacity.

Section 6.7. [Compensation and Reimbursement.](#)

The Issuer agrees:

(a) to pay the Trustee on each Payment Date (in accordance with the priority of payment provisions set forth in Section 11.1 hereof) compensation for all services rendered by it hereunder (which compensation shall not be limited by any provision of law in regard to the compensation of a trustee of an express trust) in accordance with the Trustee Fee Letter Agreement;

(b) except as otherwise expressly provided herein, to reimburse the Trustee (in accordance with the priority of payment provisions set forth in Section 11.1 hereof) in a timely manner upon its request for all reasonable expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or made by the Trustee (as such or as Securities Intermediary) in accordance with any provision of this Indenture or in the enforcement of any provision hereof (including the reasonable compensation and the expenses and disbursements of its agents and counsel) and expenses related to the maintenance and administration of the Collateral; *provided* that any securities transaction charges to the extent included above shall, in the case of certain Eligible Investments specified by the Servicer, be waived in the event that any amounts are received by the Trustee during a Due Period from a financial institution in consideration of purchasing such Eligible Investments, except any such expense, disbursement or advance as may be attributable to the Trustee's negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith;

(c) to reimburse the Trustee (in accordance with the priority of payment provisions set forth in Section 11.1 hereof) for its payment of the fees and expenses of any accounting firm or investment banking firm employed by the Trustee to perform the accounting required pursuant to Section 5.4, Section 5.5, Section 6.3(c) or Section 10.6 hereof and for its

payment of the fees and expenses of the Irish Paying Agent, Paying Agents or Authenticating Agents appointed by it at the request of the Issuer pursuant to Section 2.4;

(d) to indemnify the Trustee, its directors, officers, employees and agents (in accordance with the priority of payment provisions set forth in Section 11.1 hereof) for, and to hold it harmless against, any loss, liability or expense (including without limitation reasonable attorney's fees and expenses) incurred without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of this trust and the Transaction Documents, including the costs and expenses of defense against any claim or liability in connection with the exercise or performance of any of its powers or duties hereunder (including as Securities Intermediary); and

(e) to pay the Trustee (in accordance with the priority of payment provisions set forth in Section 11.1 hereof) reasonable additional compensation together with its expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees) for any collection action taken pursuant to Section 6.12 hereof.

#### Section 6.8. Corporate Trustee Required; Eligibility.

(a) There shall at all times be a Trustee hereunder which shall be a bank organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America or of any State, authorized under such laws to exercise corporate trust powers, having a combined capital and surplus of at least \$200,000,000, having a long-term unsecured debt rating of "BBB" or better by Standard & Poor's and "Baa1" or better by Moody's, and subject to supervision or examination by Federal or state authority. If such corporation publishes reports of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or to the requirements of the aforesaid supervising or examining authority, then for the purposes of this Section 6.8, the combined capital and surplus of such corporation shall be deemed to be its combined capital and surplus as set forth in its most recent report of condition so published. In addition, the Trustee shall not be "affiliated" (as that term is defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act) with the Co-Issuers or with any person involved in the organization or operation of the Co-Issuers and shall not offer or provide credit or credit enhancement to the Co-Issuers (as provided per Rule 3a-7). The Trustee shall be deemed to be in compliance with the preceding sentence so long as it is not affiliated (within the meaning of the preceding sentence) with (i) the Issuer or the Administrator, or (ii) the Co-Issuer or Puglisi & Associates, in each case based upon the Trustee's records and actual knowledge, unless otherwise expressly notified in writing by the Issuer, Co-Issuer or Servicer, such notice to include the identity of any other Person or Persons with whom the Trustee must not be affiliated for such purpose. If at any time the Trustee has received such notice, it shall resign immediately in the manner and with the effect hereinafter specified in this Article VI.

(b) In addition to the requirements set forth in Section 6.8(a) hereof, any successor Trustee appointed pursuant to Section 6.9(c) hereof shall (i) have total assets of at least \$10,000,000,000, (ii) have a long-term unsecured debt rating of "A" or better by Standard & Poor's and "A2" or better by Moody's and (iii) be regularly engaged in providing trustee services to issuers of collateralized loan obligations. The Trustee appointed on the Closing Date shall not be required to satisfy the requirements set forth in this Section 9.8(b).

Section 6.9. [Resignation and Removal; Appointment of Successor.](#)

(a) No resignation or removal of the Trustee and no appointment of a successor Trustee pursuant to this Article VI shall become effective until the acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee under Section 6.10 hereof. The indemnifications in favor of the Trustee in Section 6.7 hereof shall survive any resignation or removal (to the extent of any indemnified liabilities, costs, expenses and other amounts arising or incurred prior to, or arising out of actions or omissions occurring prior to, such resignation or removal).

(b) The Trustee may resign at any time by giving written notice thereof to the Issuer, the Rating Agencies, the Noteholders and the Servicer, each Hedge Counterparty and, so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent. Upon receiving such notice of resignation, the Issuer shall at the direction of its board of directors (with the written consent of the Servicer, not to be unreasonably withheld) promptly appoint a successor trustee or trustees by written instrument, in duplicate, executed by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer on behalf of the Issuer, one original copy of which shall be delivered to the Trustee so resigning and one original copy to the successor trustee or trustees, together with a copy to each Noteholder. If no successor trustee shall have been appointed and an instrument of acceptance by a successor Trustee shall not have been delivered to the Trustee within 30 days after the giving of such notice of resignation, the resigning Trustee, or any Holder of a Note, may, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(c) Subject to Section 6.9(a) hereof, the Trustee may be removed at any time by the Issuer, at the direction of its board of directors, and shall be removed by the Issuer if at any time the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Controlling Class have determined that the Trustee has been delinquent in the performance of its obligations under this Indenture and have notified the Issuer in advance of such determination. In addition, subject to Section 6.9(a) hereof, if an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, the Trustee may be removed by the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Controlling Class.

(d) The Issuer, at the direction of its board of directors, by Issuer Order, may also remove the Trustee and/or petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor Trustee, if at any time:

(i) the Trustee shall cease to be eligible under Section 6.8 hereof and shall fail to resign after written request therefor by the Issuer or by the Requisite Noteholders, or

(ii) the Trustee shall become incapable of acting or shall be adjudged bankrupt or insolvent or a receiver or liquidator of the Trustee or of its property shall be appointed or any public officer shall take charge or control of the Trustee or of its property or affairs for the purpose of rehabilitation, conservation or liquidation.

(e) If the Trustee shall resign, be removed or become incapable of acting, or if a vacancy shall occur in the office of the Trustee for any cause, the Issuer, at the direction of its board of directors, by Issuer Order, shall (with the written consent of the Servicer, not to be unreasonably withheld) promptly appoint a successor Trustee. If no successor Trustee shall have been so appointed by the Issuer and shall have accepted appointment in the manner hereinabove provided, any Noteholder may, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(f) The Issuer shall give prompt notice of each resignation and each removal of the Trustee and each appointment of a successor Trustee by giving facsimile notice of such event, confirmed by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to each Rating Agency, Bear Stearns, the Servicer and to the Holders of the Notes as their names and addresses appear in the Note Register. Each notice shall include the name of the successor Trustee and the address of its Corporate Trust Office.

#### Section 6.10. [Acceptance of Appointment by Successor.](#)

Every successor Trustee appointed hereunder shall be required to meet the eligibility requirements set forth in Section 6.8 hereof and shall execute, acknowledge and deliver to the Issuer and the retiring Trustee an instrument accepting such appointment, and thereupon the resignation or removal of the retiring Trustee shall become effective and such successor Trustee, without any further act, deed or conveyance, shall become vested with all the rights, powers, trusts, duties and obligations of the retiring Trustee; but, on request of the Issuer, the successor Trustee or the Requisite Noteholders, such retiring Trustee shall, upon payment of its fees, expenses and indemnities then unpaid, execute and deliver an instrument transferring to such successor Trustee all the rights, powers and trusts of the retiring Trustee. The retiring Trustee shall promptly assign, transfer and deliver to such successor Trustee all property and money held by such retiring Trustee hereunder (subject to payment of amounts owing to it hereunder). Upon request of any such successor Trustee, the Issuer shall execute any and all instruments for more fully and certainly vesting in and confirming to such successor Trustee all such rights, powers and trusts.

No appointment of a successor Trustee shall become effective until the date ten days after notice of such appointment has been given to each Noteholder, and, so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent.

#### Section 6.11. [Merger, Conversion, Consolidation or Succession to Business of Trustee.](#)

Any corporation into which the Trustee may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any corporation resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Trustee shall be a party, or any corporation succeeding to all or substantially all of the corporate trust business of the Trustee, shall be the successor of the Trustee hereunder; *provided* such corporation shall be otherwise qualified and eligible under this Article, without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto. In case any Notes or Combination Notes have been authenticated, but not delivered, by the Trustee then in office, any successor by merger, conversion or consolidation to



such authenticating Trustee may adopt such authentication and deliver the Notes or Combination Notes so authenticated with the same effect as if such successor Trustee had itself authenticated such Notes or Combination Notes.

Section 6.12. [Certain Duties of Trustee Related to Delayed Payment of Proceeds.](#)

If in any month the Trustee shall not have received a payment with respect to any Pledged Security on its Due Date, (a) the Trustee shall promptly notify the Issuer and the Servicer in writing and, (b) unless within three Business Days after such notice such payment shall have been received by the Trustee, or the Issuer shall have made provision for such payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with Section 10.2(a) hereof, the Trustee shall request the issuer of such Pledged Security, the trustee under the related Underlying Instrument or paying agent designated by either of them, as the case may be, to make such payment as soon as practicable after such request but in no event later than three Business Days after the date of such request. If such payment is not made within such time period, the Trustee shall take such action as the Servicer shall direct in writing; *provided* that any expenses incurred or to be incurred in taking any such action shall be deemed not to relate to the performance of "ordinary services" under clause (4) of Section 6.1(c) hereof. Any such action shall be without prejudice to any right to claim a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture. In the event that the Issuer or the Servicer requests a release of a Pledged Security and/or delivers Substitute Portfolio Collateral in connection with any such action under the Servicing Agreement, such release and/or substitution shall be subject to Section 10.3 hereof and Article XII of this Indenture as the case may be. Notwithstanding any other provision hereof the Trustee shall deliver to the Issuer or its designee any payment with respect to any Pledged Security received after the Due Date thereof to the extent the Issuer previously made provisions for such payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with this Section 6.12 and such payment shall not be deemed part of the Trust Estate.

Section 6.13. [Non-Petition.](#)

None of the Trustee, the Secured Parties, the Noteholders, the beneficial owners of the Notes, or the Paying and Transfer Agent, shall cause or join in the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for any reason, including for the nonpayment to any such party of any amounts due hereunder or under the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement or under the Notes, as applicable, until the expiration of the period which is one year and one day (or such longer preference period as may be in effect) after the final payment on the Notes; *provided, however*, nothing herein shall be deemed to prohibit the Trustee from filing proofs of claim for itself and on behalf of the Noteholders.

Section 6.14. [Withholding.](#)

(a) If any withholding tax is imposed on the Co-Issuers' payment (or allocations of income) to any Noteholder, such tax shall reduce the amount otherwise distributable to such Noteholder. The Trustee is hereby authorized and directed to retain from amounts otherwise distributable to any Noteholder sufficient funds for the payment of any tax that is legally owed by the Trust Estate or the Co-Issuers (as directed to it in writing by the Co-Issuers) (but such authorization shall not prevent the Trustee from contesting any such tax in

appropriate Proceedings and withholding payment of such tax, if permitted by law, pending the outcome of such Proceedings), or that the Trustee may otherwise determine it is obligated to withhold under applicable law or regulation. The amount of any withholding tax imposed with respect to any Noteholder shall be treated as cash distributed to such Noteholder at the time it is withheld by the Trustee and remitted to the appropriate taxing authority. If there is a possibility that withholding tax is payable with respect to a distribution, the Trustee may in its sole discretion withhold such amounts in accordance with this Section 6.14 (a). If any Noteholder wishes to apply for a refund of any such withholding tax, the Trustee shall reasonably cooperate with such Noteholder in making such claim so long as such Noteholder agrees to reimburse the Trustee for any out-of-pocket expenses incurred. Nothing in this Section 6.14 shall be construed to impose upon the Trustee any obligation or duty to determine the tax liability or responsibilities of the Co-Issuers or the Trust Estate other than the duties required under applicable law, or otherwise to perform any related tax administration or return preparation or filing responsibilities, or to impose upon the Trustee any duty or obligation to commence Proceedings to contest any tax.

(b) Each Holder shall timely furnish the Issuer or its agents any U.S. federal income tax form or certification (such as Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") Form W-8BEN (Certification of Foreign Status), Form W-8IMY (Certification of Foreign Intermediary Status), Form W-9 (Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification) or Form W-8ECI (Certification of Foreign Person's Claim for Exemption from Withholding on Income Effectively Connected with Conduct of a U.S. Trade or Business) or any successors to such IRS forms) that the Issuer or its agents may reasonably request and shall update or replace such form or certification in accordance with its terms or its subsequent amendments.

#### Section 6.15. The Securities Intermediary.

(a) There shall at all times be a securities intermediary appointed for purposes of this Indenture (the "Securities Intermediary"). Investors Bank & Trust Company is hereby appointed as the initial Securities Intermediary hereunder and accepts such appointment.

(b) The Securities Intermediary represents, warrants, and covenants, and the parties hereto agree, that at all times prior to the termination of this Indenture:

(i) The Securities Intermediary shall be a corporation or national bank that in the ordinary course of its business maintains securities accounts for others and is acting in that capacity hereunder.

(ii) Each Account shall be an account to which financial assets may be credited and the Securities Intermediary shall treat the Trustee as entitled to exercise the rights that comprise such financial assets. The Securities Intermediary shall not change the name or the account number of any Account without the prior written consent of the Trustee.

(iii) Each item of property credited to each Account shall be treated as a financial asset.



(iv) The Securities Intermediary shall comply with entitlement orders originated by the Trustee without further consent by the Issuer or any other person or entity.

(v) The Securities Intermediary shall not agree with any person or entity other than the Trustee that it will comply with entitlement orders originated by any person or entity other than the Trustee.

(vi) The Securities Intermediary shall not be a party to any agreement that is inconsistent with the provisions of this Indenture. The Securities Intermediary shall not take any action inconsistent with the provisions of this Indenture applicable to it.

(vii) Each item of property credited to each Account shall not be subject to any security interest, lien, claim, encumbrance, or right of setoff in favor of the Securities Intermediary or anyone claiming through the Securities Intermediary (other than the Trustee); *provided, however*, that the Securities Intermediary may set-off the face amount of any checks or other deposit items which have been credited to an Account but are subsequently returned unpaid because of uncollected or insufficient funds.

(viii) For purposes of Article 8 of the UCC, the securities intermediary's jurisdiction of the Securities Intermediary with respect to the Collateral shall be the State of New York.

(c) It is the intent of the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Co-Issuer that each Account shall be a securities account of the Trustee and not an account of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

(d) Nothing herein shall imply or impose upon the Securities Intermediary any duties or obligations other than those expressly set forth herein and those applicable to a securities intermediary under the UCC. The Securities Intermediary shall be entitled to all of the protections available to a securities intermediary under the UCC. Without limiting the foregoing, nothing herein shall imply or impose upon the Securities Intermediary any duties of a fiduciary nature (such as, without limitation, the fiduciary duties of the Trustee hereunder).

(e) The Securities Intermediary (i) shall satisfy the requirements of Section 6.8, and (ii) shall not be an Affiliate of the Issuer.

(f) The Securities Intermediary may at any time resign by written notice to the Trustee and may at any time be removed by written notice from the Trustee. The Trustee shall appoint a successor Securities Intermediary that satisfies the provisions of Section 6.15(e). The Trustee shall cause (i) each Account to be established and maintained with such successor Securities Intermediary in accordance with the terms hereof, and (ii) the successor Securities Intermediary to execute and deliver to the parties hereto a written agreement in which it agrees to be the Securities Intermediary hereunder and to be bound by the provisions of this Indenture applicable to the Securities Intermediary. The duties and obligations of the retiring Securities

Intermediary hereunder shall remain in effect until each Account and all of the Collateral credited thereto have been transferred to the successor Securities Intermediary.

(g) Any corporation into which the Securities Intermediary may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any corporation resulting from any merger, consolidation or conversion to which the Securities Intermediary shall be a party, shall be the successor of the Securities Intermediary hereunder, without the execution or filing of any further document on the part of the parties hereto or such successor corporation.

(h) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section 6.15, each item of the Trust Estate that constitutes a general intangible (including any loan, or any participation or assignment therein, that constitutes a general intangible) shall be Delivered to the Trustee as provided in clause (g) of the Definition of "Delivery" and shall not be credited to any Account.

Section 6.16. [Eligible Investments.](#)

Eligible Investments acquired with available funds in an Account shall be credited by the Trustee to such Account.

Section 6.17. [Fiduciary For Noteholders; Agent for the Other Secured Parties.](#)

The Trustee shall not by reason of this Indenture be deemed to be acting as a fiduciary for the Secured Parties other than the Noteholders; *provided* that the foregoing shall not limit any of the express obligations of the Trustee under this Indenture.

## ARTICLE VII

### COVENANTS

Section 7.1. [Payment of Principal and Interest.](#)

The Co-Issuers (as applicable) will duly and punctually pay the principal of, interest on and all other amounts payable on or in respect of the Notes and the Combination Notes in accordance with the terms of the Notes, the Combination Notes and this Indenture.

Section 7.2. [Maintenance of Office or Agency.](#)

The Issuer will maintain an office or agency in the Borough of Manhattan, the City of New York, the State of New York, where Notes may be presented or surrendered for payment. The Issuer hereby initially appoints the office of Investors Bank & Trust Company (the "[New York Presenting Agent](#)"), currently located at 33 Maiden Lane, 4th Floor, New York, NY 10038, Attention: CDO Services (Rockwall CDO II Ltd.), as such office or agency. The Trustee shall give prompt written notice to the Co-Issuers and the Noteholders of any change in the location of the New York Presenting Agent. Each New York Presenting Agent other than Investors Bank & Trust Company shall be a bank or trust company having a capital and surplus of not less than \$100,000,000 and be registered as a transfer agent with the Securities and Exchange Commission. If the location of the New York Presenting Agent changes and such

notice is not given or the Issuer fails to maintain any such office or agency, presentations and surrenders of the Notes may be made or served at the Corporate Trust Office.

Section 7.3. [Money for Note Payments to Be Held in Trust.](#)

All payments of amounts due and payable with respect to any Notes that are to be made from amounts withdrawn from the Collection Account shall be made on behalf of the Issuer by the Trustee.

Section 7.4. [Existence of Co-Issuers; Corporate Formalities.](#)

(a) Each of the Co-Issuers will, to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law, maintain in full force and effect its existence, rights and franchises as a company or corporation incorporated or organized under the laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organization, as the case may be, and will obtain and preserve its qualification to do business as a foreign corporation in each jurisdiction in which such qualification is or shall be necessary to protect the validity and enforceability of this Indenture, the Notes, the Combination Notes or any of the Pledged Securities or other property included in the Trust Estate. Each of the Co-Issuers shall comply with its charter documents and shall not amend its charter documents without the consent of the Requisite Noteholders if such amendment would have a material adverse effect on the rights of the Noteholders and, for so long as any Notes are then rated, shall notify the Rating Agencies of any amendment and shall not amend its charter document in any material way without satisfaction of the Rating Condition.

(b) The Issuer shall ensure that all corporate or other formalities regarding its existence (including, to the extent required, holding, to the extent required, regular meetings of the board of directors and shareholders) are followed. The Issuer shall not take any action, or conduct its affairs in a manner, that is likely to result in its separate existence being ignored or its assets and liabilities being substantively consolidated with any other Person in a bankruptcy, reorganization or other insolvency proceeding. Without limiting the foregoing, (i) the Issuer shall not have any subsidiaries except the Co-Issuer and except as provided in Section 7.4(c), and (ii) the Issuer shall not (A) have any employees (other than its directors), (B) engage in any transaction with any shareholder that would constitute a conflict of interest, *provided, however*, that the entry into the Administration Agreement and the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement with Maples Finance Limited shall not be deemed a conflict of interest or (C) pay dividends other than in accordance with the terms of this Indenture, its organizational documents, and with regard to its Preferred Shares, in accordance with the terms of the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement.

(c) In addition to the Co-Issuer, the Issuer may have as a subsidiary any entity that (x) meets the then-current general criteria of the Rating Agencies for bankruptcy remote entities, (y) is formed for the sole purpose of holding (1) stock of one or more corporations or other assets that are or may be treated as United States real property interests for purposes of Section 897 of the Code acquired or expected to be acquired in connection with a workout of an Asset (an "897 Subsidiary") or (2) equity interests in "partnerships" (within the meaning Section 7701(a)(2) of the Code), "grantor trusts" (within the meaning of the Code) or entities that are disregarded as separate from their owners for United States federal income tax purposes that are

or may be engaged or deemed to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States, in each case acquired or expected to be acquired in connection with a workout of an Asset (an "ETB Subsidiary") and (z) is a corporation for United States federal income tax purposes; *provided* that any 897 Subsidiary and ETB Subsidiary (i) will be wholly-owned by the Issuer, (ii) will not sell, transfer, exchange or otherwise dispose of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecate or otherwise encumber (or permit such to occur), any part of its assets, except in compliance with the Issuer's rights and obligations under this Indenture and with such subsidiary's constituent documents, (iii) will not have any subsidiaries, (iv) will not have any employees (other than directors to the extent they are employees) and will not conduct business under any name other than its own, (v) will not incur or guarantee any indebtedness, (vi) will include in its constituent documents a limitation on its business such that it may only engage in the acquisition of assets permitted under this Indenture and the disposition of such assets and the proceeds thereof to the Issuer (and activities ancillary thereto) and (vii) will distribute 100% of the proceeds of the assets acquired by it (net of applicable taxes and expenses payable by such subsidiary) to the Issuer.

Section 7.5. [Protection of Trust Estate.](#)

(a) The Issuer shall authorize, execute, deliver and file all such supplements and amendments hereto and all such financing statements, amendments of financing statements, continuation statements, instruments of further assurance and other instruments and shall take such other action as may be necessary or advisable to:

- (i) Grant more effectively all or any portion of the Trust Estate;
- (ii) maintain or preserve the lien of this Indenture or the priority thereof, or to carry out more effectively the purposes hereof;
- (iii) perfect, publish notice of, or protect the validity of any Grant made or to be made by this Indenture;
- (iv) enforce any of the Pledged Securities or other instruments or property included in the Trust Estate;
- (v) preserve and defend title to the Trust Estate and the rights therein of the Secured Parties against the claims of all other Persons; and
- (vi) pay any and all taxes levied or assessed upon all or any part of the Trust Estate.

The Issuer hereby authorizes the filing of financing statements (and amendments of financing statements and continuation statements) that name the Issuer as debtor and the Trustee as secured party and that cover all personal property of the Issuer. The Issuer also hereby ratifies its authorization of the filing of any such financing statements (or amendments of financing statements or continuation statements) that were filed prior to the execution hereof. The Issuer hereby designates the Trustee its agent and attorney-in-fact to take any action or authorize or execute any financing statement, amendment of financing statement, continuation statement or other instrument required pursuant to this Section 7.5; *provided* that such

appointment shall not impose upon the Trustee any of the Issuer's obligations under this Section 7.5.

Provided that the Trustee (on or before, promptly after, the Closing Date) has been provided with a complete and accurate copy of each such financial statement (which copy is stamped to reflect, or is accompanied by, the applicable filing information, including filing number, original date of filing and filing office), the Trustee shall give written notice to the Issuer and the Servicer of the pending expiration of the financing statement filed in connection with the closing of the transaction contemplated herein and any continuation statement relating thereto, no earlier than six months prior to the scheduled expiration date of such financing statement or continuation statement, as applicable, and no later than two months prior to such scheduled expiration date.

(b) The Trustee shall not, except in accordance with the provisions of this Indenture, release any portion of the Trust Estate from the security interest and lien hereunder or remove any portion of the Trust Estate from the jurisdictions indicated in Section 10.3(a) hereof; *provided* that the Trustee shall be entitled to remove the Trust Estate or any portion thereof to a jurisdiction other than the applicable jurisdiction or jurisdictions indicated in Section 10.3(a) hereof if the Trustee shall have first obtained an Opinion of Counsel, at its own expense, to the effect that the lien and security interest created by this Indenture with respect to such property, including the perfection and priority thereof, will continue to be maintained after giving effect to such action, and *provided further* that the Trustee shall thereafter (for so long as such property continues to be so located in such other jurisdiction) obtain at its own expense an annual Opinion of Counsel, on or before the date specified in Section 7.6(a) hereof, confirming the matters required by such Section to the extent governed by the law of such other jurisdiction.

(c) The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid taxes, if any, levied on account of the beneficial ownership by the Issuer of any Pledged Securities.

(d) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants that its registered office is, and always has been, in the Cayman Islands; it has never had any offices in the United States of America, and the only offices of any type it has ever had have been in the Cayman Islands.

#### Section 7.6. [Opinions and Tax Matters](#)

(a) On or before June 30 in each calendar year, commencing in 2008, the Issuer shall cause to be delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel (and the Trustee shall deliver copies of such to the Servicer and the Rating Agencies (other than S&P)), stating that, in the opinion of such counsel, as of the date of such opinion, the Indenture creates in favor of the Trustee a security interest in the Trust Estate and that such security interest is perfected.

(b) If required to prevent the withholding and imposition of United States income tax, the Issuer shall deliver or cause to be delivered (as applicable) a United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-8BEN, or any successor form thereto, to each issuer of any Portfolio Collateral, each issuer of an Eligible Investment and each Synthetic Security Counterparty at the time such Portfolio Collateral or Eligible Investment is purchased by the

Issuer or the Synthetic Security is entered into by the Issuer and periodically thereafter (prior to the expiration of the Form previously provided).

(c) The Issuer will take all actions necessary in order to permit any holder of a Preferred Share or any Holder of a Note that is or may reasonably be characterized as an equity interest in the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes, upon request therefor, to make a "qualified electing fund" election for United States federal income tax purposes and to satisfy the ongoing requirements with respect to such an election. Further, the Issuer will provide, upon the reasonable request of any holder of a Preferred Share or any such Holder of a Note that is or may reasonably be characterized as an equity interest in the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes, any information the Issuer has available to it that assists such holders with regard to filing requirements such holders may have as a result of the controlled foreign corporation rules under the Code or pursuant to Section 6038, 6038B or 6046 of the Code.

(d) The Issuer will not take the position that it is engaged in a United States trade or business for federal income tax purposes.

(e) By its acceptance of a Note, each Holder and beneficial owner of a Note shall be deemed to have agreed (1) to provide the Issuer, upon request, with such information as may reasonably be requested by the Issuer (including but not limited to information relating to the beneficial owner of the Note) in connection with the Issuer's fulfillment of its tax reporting, notification, withholding and similar obligations arising under the Code (as amended from time to time) or the Transaction Documents; and (2) to treat the Issuer as not being engaged in the active conduct of a banking, financing, insurance or other similar business for purposes of 954(h)(2) of the Code

(f) By its acceptance of a Note, each Holder and beneficial owner of a Note that is not a United States person (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) will be deemed to have represented that (x) it is not a bank within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code or an affiliate of a bank or, alternatively, it is such a bank or an affiliate of a bank but it is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates U.S. federal income taxation of U.S. source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States and (y) it is not purchasing the Note in order to reduce its U.S. Federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan within the meaning of Treas. Reg. 1.881-3(b).

(g) Each of the Issuers and each Holder of a Note agrees that it does not intend for this Indenture to represent an agreement to enter into a partnership, a joint venture or any other business entity for United States federal income tax purposes, and none of such parties shall represent or otherwise hold themselves out to the IRS or other third parties as partners in a partnership or members of a joint venture or other business entity for United States federal income tax purposes. The Issuer will not elect for the Issuer to be treated as a partnership or disregarded entity for United States federal income tax purposes.

Section 7.7. [Performance of Obligations.](#)

(a) The Co-Issuers shall not take any action, and, where applicable, will not consent to any action proposed to be taken by others, that would release any Person from any of such Person's covenants or obligations under any instrument included in the Trust Estate, except in the case of enforcement action taken with respect to any Defaulted Portfolio Collateral in accordance with the provisions hereof and as otherwise required hereby.

(b) The Co-Issuers may contract with other Persons, including Investors Bank & Trust Company, and the Servicer, for the performance by such Persons of the Issuer's obligations hereunder and under the Servicing Agreement. Notwithstanding any such arrangement, the Issuer shall remain primarily liable with respect thereto. With respect to any such contract, the performance of such obligations by such Persons shall be deemed to be performance of such obligations by the Issuer.

Section 7.8. [Negative Covenants.](#)

(a) The Issuer will not:

(1) sell, transfer, exchange or otherwise dispose of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecate or otherwise encumber (or permit such to occur or suffer such to exist), any part of the Trust Estate, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and the Servicing Agreement;

(2) claim any credit on, or make any deduction from, the amount payable with respect to the Notes other than amounts withheld pursuant to Section 6.14 hereof, or assert any claim against any present or future Noteholder, by reason of the payment of any taxes levied or assessed upon any part of the Trust Estate;

(3) incur or assume any indebtedness other than pursuant to this Indenture or the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, or incur, assume or guaranty the indebtedness of any Person, issue any additional class of securities or issue any additional shares, shares of stock or membership interests;

(4) (A) permit the validity or effectiveness of this Indenture or any Grant hereunder to be impaired, or permit the lien of this Indenture to be amended, hypothecated, subordinated, terminated or discharged, or permit any Person to be released from any covenants or obligations with respect to this Indenture or the Notes, except, in each case, as may be expressly permitted hereby, thereby, or by the Servicing Agreement, (B) permit any lien, charge, adverse claim, security interest, mortgage or other encumbrance (other than the lien of this Indenture) to be created on or extend to or otherwise arise upon or burden the Trust Estate or any part thereof, any interest therein or the proceeds thereof except as may be expressly permitted hereby, or (C) take any action that would permit the lien of this Indenture not to constitute a valid first priority perfected security interest in the Trust Estate except as may be expressly permitted hereby;

(5) act as agent, negotiator or structurer with respect to any Portfolio Collateral, act as a participant in negotiating the terms of a primary loan agreement,

except to the extent provided in the Servicing Agreement, enter into a binding commitment to purchase any Portfolio Collateral prior to the issuance of such Portfolio Collateral or engage in any transaction or activity that would cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States within the meaning of section 864 of the Code;

(6) change its name, its type or jurisdiction of organization, or its organizational identification number, unless it has first (i) made all filings and taken all actions in all relevant jurisdictions under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code and other applicable law as are necessary to continue and maintain the priority and perfection of the security interest of the Trustee in the Trust Estate, and (ii) delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that all necessary filings have been made under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code in all relevant jurisdictions as are necessary to continue and maintain the perfection of the security interest of the Trustee in the Trust Estate;

(7) enter into any agreements or amendments thereto unless such agreements and any amendments thereto contain "non-petition" and "limited recourse" provisions, except with respect to any agreements involving the purchase and sale of Portfolio Collateral having customary purchase or sale terms and documented with customary trading documentation;

(8) enter into any agreements or amendments to the Transaction Documents with respect to the "non-petition" or "limited recourse" provisions without satisfying the Rating Condition; or

(9) commingle any of the Collateral with the assets of any other Person, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and the Servicing Agreement.

(b) The Co-Issuer will not enter into any agreement, contract or indenture other than this Indenture and shall not incur or assume any indebtedness other than pursuant to or as may be expressly permitted by this Indenture, or incur, assume or guaranty the indebtedness of any Person.

(c) The Trustee shall not sell, transfer, exchange or otherwise dispose of, or enter into or engage in any business with respect to, any part of the Trust Estate, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture or the Servicing Agreement.

(d) Neither of the Co-Issuers shall to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law (i) commence any case, proceeding or other action under any existing or future law of any jurisdiction, domestic or foreign, relating to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or relief of debtors, seeking to have any order for relief entered with respect to it, or seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, winding-up, liquidation, dissolution, composition or other relief with respect to it or its debts, or (ii) seek appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian or other similar official for it or for all or any substantial part of its assets, or make a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors; neither of the Co-Issuers shall take any action in furtherance of, or indicating its consent to, approval of, or acquiescence in, any of the acts set



forth above; and each of the Co-Issuers shall generally pay debts as they become due and not admit in writing its inability to pay its debts as they become due.

(e) Except as permitted by Section 8.2 hereof, the Issuer shall not waive nor permit the amendment of Section 19 or Section 20 of the Servicing Agreement or Section 20 of the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement.

Section 7.9. [Statement as to Compliance.](#)

On or before July 31 following each calendar year, beginning in 2008, or immediately if there has been a Default under this Indenture, the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee, and the Trustee in turn shall deliver a copy to the Rating Agencies (and any Noteholder upon receipt by the Trustee of a certificate in the form of Exhibit H), an Officer's Certificate of the Issuer stating that:

(1) a review of the activities of the Issuer during such year and of the Issuer's performance under this Indenture has been made under his or her supervision; and

(2) to the best of his or her knowledge, based on such review, the Issuer has fulfilled all of its obligations under this Indenture throughout such year without the occurrence of a Default, or, if there has been a Default hereunder, specifying each such Default known to him or her and the nature and status thereof, including any actions taken to remedy the same.

Section 7.10. [Issuer and Co-Issuer May Not Consolidate or Merge.](#)

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall consolidate or merge with or into any other Person.

Section 7.11. [No Other Business.](#)

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall engage in any business or activity other than (i) the issuance and redemption of the Notes, the Combination Notes and the Preferred Shares, the issuance and redemption of its ordinary shares, and acquiring, owning, managing, holding and pledging the Pledged Securities and any other instrument or property included in the Trust Estate and (ii) engaging in any other activities that are necessary, suitable or convenient to accomplish the foregoing or are incidental thereto or connected therewith.

Section 7.12. [Purchase of Notes.](#)

Notwithstanding anything contained in this Indenture to the contrary, the Issuer may acquire Notes in open market or privately negotiated transactions or otherwise (and the Issuer shall give prompt written notice thereof to the Trustee): *provided* that so long as any Class A Notes are Outstanding, the Issuer shall not acquire any Class B Notes. Any Notes acquired by the Issuer shall be delivered to the Trustee for cancellation.

Section 7.13. [Notice of Rating.](#)

(a) The Issuer shall use reasonable efforts to cause the payment of the Periodic Interest Amount and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes, the Class A-1LB Notes and the Class A-2L Notes to be rated by Standard & Poor's and Moody's (as applicable), the ultimate payment of the Cumulative Interest Amount and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes and the Class B-2L Notes to be rated by Standard & Poor's and Moody's and the payment of the Rated Balance and the Rated Coupon of the Combination Notes to be rated by Moody's. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the failure by the Issuer to maintain a rating of each Class of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Combination Notes shall not constitute a Default or an Event of Default.

(b) The Issuer shall promptly notify the Trustee in writing (and the Trustee shall promptly notify the Noteholders and the Servicer) if at any time the rating of any Class of Notes or Combination Notes has been, or the Issuer knows will be, changed or withdrawn.

Section 7.14. [Process Agent.](#)

The Issuer irrevocably designates and appoints CT Corporation, 111 Eighth Avenue, New York, New York 10011, as its agent (the "[Process Agent](#)") for service of all process served in connection with this Indenture, such service being hereby acknowledged to be effective and binding service upon the Issuer in every respect.

Section 7.15. [Additional Covenants.](#)

(a) Each of the Co-Issuers shall comply with all applicable laws, rules, regulations, orders, writs, judgments, injunctions, decrees, determinations and awards (including, without limitation, any fiscal and accounting rules and regulations and any foreign or domestic law, rule or regulation), including, without limitation, in connection with the issuance, offer and sale of the Notes.

(b) The Issuer shall give prompt notice in writing to the Trustee, the Servicer and the Rating Agencies, upon becoming aware of the occurrence of any Event of Default hereunder.

(c) Each of the Co-Issuers shall take all reasonable actions necessary so as to be exempt from registration under the Investment Company Act.

(d) The Co-Issuers shall take all reasonable actions necessary so as to exempt from registration the sale of Notes under the Securities Act or under any applicable United States state securities or "blue sky" laws.

(e) Each of the Co-Issuers shall maintain all licenses, permits, charters and registrations which are material to the conduct of its business.

(f) The Issuer shall maintain its corporate records and books of account outside of the United States separate from any other Person, including, without limitation, any Person which owns more than 50% of its equity securities.

(g) Each of the Co-Issuers shall use its best efforts to minimize taxes and any other costs arising in connection with its activities.

(h) Each of the Co-Issuers shall treat the purchase of Portfolio Collateral as a purchase for tax, accounting and reporting purposes.

(i) Each of the Co-Issuers shall maintain at least one director who is Independent of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer and Bear Stearns.

(j) Each of the Co-Issuers shall only conduct business in its own name as set forth in its organizational documents.

(k) The Issuer shall cause each item of Collateral to be Delivered to the Trustee.

(l) The Issuer shall cause the Schedule of Portfolio Collateral to at all times correctly list all Portfolio Collateral that is included in the Trust Estate, including all Initial Portfolio Collateral, all Original Portfolio Collateral, all Additional Portfolio Collateral, all Substitute Portfolio Collateral, all Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, all Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, all Equity Portfolio Collateral and all Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral. The Issuer shall cause Schedule A to be amended to reflect the inclusion of Portfolio Collateral purchased pursuant to Section 3.4(a) hereof, the inclusion of Additional Portfolio Collateral as provided in Section 11.3 hereof, the release of Portfolio Collateral pursuant to Article X hereof, and the inclusion of Substitute Portfolio Collateral as provided in Section 12.4 hereof.

Section 7.16. [Representations and Warranties of the Co-Issuers.](#)

Each of the Co-Issuers represents and warrants to the Trustee with respect to itself, as of the Closing Date that:

(a) Such Co-Issuer is a corporation duly incorporated or organized, as the case may be, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation and in each jurisdiction where the conduct of its business requires such license, qualification or good standing, except where the failure to be so licensed or qualified or in good standing would not adversely affect the validity or enforceability of this Indenture or the other Transaction Documents to which it is a party, or the ability of such Co-Issuer to perform its obligations hereunder or thereunder.

(b) Such Co-Issuer has the power and authority to execute and deliver the Transaction Documents and all other documents and agreements contemplated hereby and thereby to which it is a party, as well as to carry out the terms hereof and thereof.

(c) Such Co-Issuer has taken all necessary action, including but not limited to all requisite corporate action, to authorize the execution, delivery and

performance of the Transaction Documents and all other documents and agreements contemplated hereby and thereby to which it is a party. When executed and delivered by such Co-Issuer and the other parties thereto, each of the Transaction Documents will constitute the legal, valid and binding obligation of such Co-Issuer enforceable in accordance with its terms subject, as to enforcement, to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws now or hereafter in effect affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights in general, and except as such enforceability may be limited by general principles of equity (whether considered in a suit at law or in equity) and to the payment of stamp duty.

(d) All authorizations, licenses, permits, certificates, franchises, consents, approvals and undertakings which are required to be obtained by such Co-Issuer under any applicable law which are material to (i) the conduct of its business, (ii) the ownership, use, operation or maintenance of its properties and (iii) the performance by such Co-Issuer of its obligations under or in connection with the Transaction Documents, the Notes and the Preferred Shares have been received and all such authorizations, licenses, permits, certificates, franchises, consents, approvals and undertakings are in full force and effect.

(e) The execution, issuance and delivery of, and performance by such Co-Issuer of its respective obligations under the Transaction Documents and any and all instruments or documents required to be executed or delivered pursuant to or in connection herewith or therewith were and are within the powers of such Co-Issuer and will not violate any provision of any law, regulation, decree or governmental authorization applicable to such Co-Issuer, or its charter or by-laws or other organizational documents and will not violate or cause a default under any provision of any contract, agreement, mortgage, indenture or other undertaking to which such Co-Issuer is a party or which is binding upon such Co-Issuer or any of its property or assets, and will not result in the imposition or creation of any lien, charge, or encumbrance upon any of its properties or assets of such Co-Issuer pursuant to the provisions of any such contract, agreement, mortgage, indenture or undertaking, other than as specifically set forth herein.

(f) There are no legal, governmental or regulatory Proceedings pending to which such Co-Issuer is a party or of which any of its property is the subject, which if determined adversely to such Co-Issuer would individually or in the aggregate have a material adverse effect on the performance by such Co-Issuer of the Transaction Documents or the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereunder or thereunder; and to the best of its knowledge, no such Proceedings are threatened or contemplated.

(g) None of the Notes, Combination Notes nor the Preferred Shares are required to be registered pursuant to the Securities Act, such Co-Issuer is not required to be registered as an investment company pursuant to the Investment Company Act, and the Indenture is not required to be qualified under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended.

(h) Except with respect to amounts owed under the Notes and the Preferred Shares and liabilities incurred in connection with the issuance of the Notes, the Preferred Shares and the Transaction Documents, such Co-Issuer has not incurred any indebtedness for borrowed money or any other material liabilities.

(i) The Issuer has no subsidiaries other than the Co-Issuer or as permitted by Section 7.4(c) hereof.

(j) The Issuer is not a securities intermediary, broker, or commodity intermediary as defined in the UCC, or a Participant as defined in the United States Regulations.

Section 7.17. [Representations Relating to the Security Interests in the Collateral.](#)

(a) The Issuer hereby represents that, as of the Closing Date (which representations and warranties shall survive the execution of this Indenture and, with respect to Collateral Delivered after the Closing Date, be deemed to be repeated on the date on which such Collateral is Delivered as if made at and as of that time), with respect to the then existing Collateral:

(i) The Issuer owns and has good and marketable title to such Collateral free and clear of any lien, claim or encumbrance of any person, other than such as are created under, or expressly permitted by, this Indenture.

(ii) Other than the security interest granted to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture and conveyances permitted by this Indenture, the Issuer has not pledged, assigned, sold, granted a security interest in, or otherwise conveyed such Collateral. The Issuer has not authorized the filing of and is not aware of any financing statements against the Issuer that include a description of collateral covering such Collateral other than any financing statement relating to the security interest granted to the Trustee hereunder or that has been terminated. The Issuer is not aware of any judgment, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation or tax lien filings against the Issuer.

(iii) Such Collateral is comprised of "instruments", "security entitlements", "general intangibles", "tangible chattel paper", "deposit accounts", "accounts", "certificated securities", "uncertificated securities" or "securities accounts" (each as defined in the applicable Uniform Commercial Code).

(iv) All Accounts constitute "securities accounts" as defined in the applicable Uniform Commercial Code.

(v) This Indenture creates a valid and continuing security interest (as defined in the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) in such Collateral in favor of the Trustee, which security interest is prior to all other liens and is enforceable as such against creditors of and purchasers from the Issuer except as expressly permitted under this Indenture.

(vi) The Issuer has received all consents and approvals required by the terms of such Collateral to the transfer to the Trustee of its interest and rights in such Collateral hereunder.

(b) The Issuer hereby represents that, as of the Closing Date (which representations and warranties shall survive the execution of this Indenture and, with respect to Collateral Delivered after the Closing Date, be deemed to be repeated on the date on which such Collateral is Delivered as if made at and as of that time), with respect to the then existing Collateral that constitutes "securities accounts", the Indenture creates a valid and continuing security interest (as defined in the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) in the Accounts in favor of the Trustee, which security interest is perfected by control (as defined in the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) because the Trustee has control of each security entitlement carried in each Account.

(c) The Issuer hereby represents that, as of the Closing Date (which representations and warranties shall survive the execution of this Indenture and, with respect to Collateral Delivered after the Closing Date, be deemed to be repeated on the date on which such Collateral is Delivered as if made at and as of that time), with respect to the then existing Collateral that constitute "instruments":

(i) All original executed copies of each promissory note or mortgage note that constitutes or evidences such instruments have been delivered to the Trustee and (ii) none of the promissory notes or the mortgage notes that constitute or evidence such instruments has any marks or notations indicating that it has been pledged, assigned or otherwise conveyed to any person other than the Trustee.

(d) The Issuer hereby represents that, as of the Closing Date (which representations and warranties shall survive the execution of this Indenture and, with respect to Collateral Delivered after the Closing Date, be deemed to be repeated on the date on which such Collateral is Delivered as if made at and as of that time), with respect to the then existing Collateral that constitute "security entitlements":

(i) All of such security entitlements have been credited to one of the Accounts. The securities intermediary for each Account has agreed to treat all assets credited to such Account as "financial assets" within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code.

(ii) The Issuer has taken all steps necessary to cause the securities intermediary to identify in its records the Trustee as the person having a security entitlement against the securities intermediary in each of the Accounts.

(iii) The Accounts are not in the name of any person other than the Trustee. The Issuer has not consented to the securities intermediary of any Account to comply with the entitlement order of any person other than the Trustee.

(e) The Issuer hereby represents that, as of the Closing Date (which representations and warranties shall survive the execution of this Indenture and, with respect to Collateral Delivered after the Closing Date, be deemed to be repeated on the date on which such

Collateral is Delivered as if made at and as of that time), with respect to the then existing Collateral that constitutes "general intangibles" or "accounts":

(i) The Issuer has caused or will have caused, within ten days after the Closing Date, the filing of all appropriate financing statements in the proper filing office in the appropriate jurisdictions under applicable law in order to perfect the security interest in such general intangibles or accounts granted to the Trustee hereunder.

(f) The Issuer hereby represents that, as of the Closing Date (which representations and warranties shall survive the execution of this Indenture and, with respect to Collateral Delivered after the Closing Date, be deemed to be repeated on the date on which such Collateral is Delivered as if made at and as of that time), with respect to the then existing Collateral that constitutes "tangible chattel paper":

(i) (A) All original executed copies of each agreement that constitutes or evidences such tangible chattel paper have been delivered to the Trustee and (B) none of the agreements that constitute or evidence such tangible chattel paper has any marks or notations indicating that it has been pledged, assigned or otherwise conveyed to any person other than the Trustee.

(ii) The Issuer has taken all steps necessary to perfect the security interest against the account debtor in the property securing the agreements that constitute such tangible chattel paper.

(g) The Issuer hereby represents that, as of the Closing Date (which representations and warranties shall survive the execution of this Indenture and, with respect to Collateral Delivered after the Closing Date, be deemed to be repeated on the date on which such Collateral is Delivered as if made at and as of that time), with respect to the then existing Collateral that constitutes "deposit accounts":

(i) The Issuer has taken all steps necessary to cause the Trustee to become the account holder of such deposit accounts.

(ii) Such deposit accounts are not in the name of any person other than the Trustee. The Issuer has not consented to the bank maintaining any such deposit account to comply with the instructions of any person other than the Trustee.

(h) The Issuer hereby represents that, as of the Closing Date (which representations and warranties shall survive the execution of this Indenture and, with respect to Collateral Delivered after the Closing Date, be deemed to be repeated on the date on which such Collateral is Delivered as if made at and as of that time), with respect to the then existing Collateral that constitutes a certificated security, such certificated security has been delivered to the Trustee and, if in registered form, has been indorsed to the Trustee or in blank by an effective indorsement or has been registered in the name of the Trustee upon original issue or registration of transfer by the issuer of such certificated security.

(i) The Issuer hereby represents that, as of the Closing Date (which representations and warranties shall survive the execution of this Indenture and, with respect to

Collateral Delivered after the Closing Date, be deemed to be repeated on the date on which such Collateral is Delivered as if made at and as of that time), with respect to the then existing Collateral that constitutes an uncertificated security, the issuer of such uncertificated security has registered the Trustee as the registered owner of such uncertificated security.

(j) None of the provisions of this Section 7.17 shall be waived without the prior written confirmation from S&P that such waiver shall not result in a reduction or withdrawal of the then-current rating of any Class of Notes.

Section 7.18. No "Gross-up" Amounts.

The Co-Issuers shall not be required to pay any "gross-up" or other additional amounts to the Holders of any Class of Notes because taxes or related amounts are required to be withheld from payments on the Notes or any payments to either of the Co-Issuers on any item of Portfolio Collateral or other assets of the Co-Issuers.

Section 7.19. Securities Lending.

(a) So long as no Event of Default is continuing and if after the completion of the transaction the limit in subsection 12.2(u) would be satisfied, the Servicer may cause Portfolio Collateral that are not Defaulted Portfolio Collateral to be lent for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) having long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or guarantors with ratings of at least "A1" (and not "A1" but on credit watch with negative implications) and "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A+" from S&P (each, a "Securities Lending Counterparty") pursuant to one or more agreements (each, a "Securities Lending Agreement"); *provided* that Portfolio Collateral whose Market Value cannot be determined under clauses (a), (b) or (c) of that definition may not be lent pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement; *provided, further*, that the gross income from all such transactions during any fiscal year shall not exceed 15% of the gross income of the Issuer for such fiscal year. Upon receipt of an Issuer Order, the Trustee shall release any lent Portfolio Collateral to a Securities Lending Counterparty as directed by the Servicer. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Initial Purchasers or Affiliates of the Servicer. The duration of any Securities Lending Agreement shall not exceed the Final Maturity Date of the Notes.

(b) Each Securities Lending Agreement shall be on market terms as determined by the Servicer (except as may be required below) and shall:

(i) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty return to the Trustee debt obligations that are identical (in terms of issue and class) to the lent items of Portfolio Collateral;

(ii) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty pay to the Trustee amounts equivalent to all interest and other payments that the owner of the lent items of Portfolio Collateral is entitled to for the period during which the Portfolio Collateral is lent and require that any such payments not be subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the Securities Lending Counterparty is required under the Securities



Lending Agreement to make "gross-up" payments to the Issuer that cover the full amount of the withholding tax on an after-tax basis;

(iii) require that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency shall be satisfied with respect to the execution of the Securities Lending Agreement;

(iv) satisfy any other requirements of Section 1058 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated under it;

(v) be governed by the laws of New York;

(vi) permit the Issuer to assign its rights under the Securities Lending Agreement to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture;

(vii) provide for early termination and return of any lent item of Portfolio Collateral to the Issuer with no penalty if the Portfolio Collateral becomes Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral or is subject to redemption in accordance with its terms;

(viii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent item of Portfolio Collateral with no penalty upon any redemption of the Notes in whole;

(ix) require the Securities Lending Counterparty to post with the Trustee collateral consisting of Cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the Securities Lending Agreement (the "Securities Lending Collateral") to secure its obligation to return the Portfolio Collateral;

(x) provide that the value of Securities Lending Collateral shall be maintained at all times in an amount equal to at least 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value (determined daily and monitored by the Servicer) of the lent Portfolio Collateral;

(xi) the lent Portfolio Collateral shall be marked-to-market on a daily basis by the Servicer on the basis of their Market Value;

(xii) the Collateral will include the Issuer's rights under the related Securities Lending Agreement as well as the lent Portfolio Collateral;

(xiii) provide for early termination within 10 days, at the option of the Issuer and with respect to the return of any lent Portfolio Collateral to the Issuer, with no penalty, if the Securities Lending Counterparty is no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty and the noncompliance is not cured as provided in this Indenture;

(xiv) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions that survive the termination of the agreement (to the extent the Issuer has contractual

payment obligations to the Securities Lending Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those in this Indenture; and

(xv) provide for the payment of a fee to the Issuer in consideration for the loan of Portfolio Collateral, at a rate as shall be negotiated with the Securities Lending Counterparty by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer.

(c) If either Moody's or S&P downgrades a Securities Lending Counterparty such that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party are no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty, then the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, within 10 days of the downgrade, shall

(i) terminate its Securities Lending Agreements with the Securities Lending Counterparty unless a guarantor for the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements has been obtained; or

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Portfolio Collateral lent to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty so that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party, together with all other Securities Lending Agreements, are in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of Securities Lending Counterparties; or

(iii) take any other steps Moody's or S&P may require to cause the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party to be treated by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, as if the obligations were owed by a counterparty having a rating at least equivalent to the rating that was assigned by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty before its being downgraded.

(d) In connection with any such direction by the Servicer to enter into a Securities Lending Agreement, the Trustee may receive and rely on an Issuer Order to the effect that the Securities Lending Agreement, and its Securities Lending Counterparty, is each in compliance with the requirements of this Indenture (including the definition of "Securities Lending Counterparty"). The Issuer and the Trustee may enter into any Securities Lending Agreement at the instruction of the Servicer, and deliver and accept delivery and return of any Portfolio Collateral pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement, or pursuant to instructions from the Servicer in connection with the Securities Lending Agreement. The Trustee may take any actions and exercise any rights and remedies under any Securities Lending Agreement that the Servicer instructs. The Trustee need not enter into any Securities Lending Agreement that would in its judgment, subject it to any liability, whether financial or otherwise, or cause it to incur or subject it to risk of any cost or disbursement for which it is not, in its judgment, adequately indemnified, or that would impose on it any obligations or administrative burdens that are unacceptable to it. The Servicer shall instruct the Trustee in writing with respect to the administration of any Securities Lending Agreement (including with respect to any default and the exercise of rights under it). The Trustee shall not have any responsibility for evaluating the

sufficiency, validity, or acceptability of any Securities Lending Agreement or for the qualifications or eligibility of any Securities Lending Counterparty. Nothing in this Indenture shall be construed to cause the Trustee to have any fiduciary duties to any Securities Lending Counterparty.

So long as any Portfolio Collateral is on loan pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement, (a) the Trustee shall have no liability for any failure or inability on its part to receive any information or take any action with respect to the Portfolio Collateral because of its being on loan (including any failure to take action with respect to a notice of redemption, consent solicitation, exchange or tender offer, or similar corporate action), and (b) the lent Portfolio Collateral shall not be disqualified for return to the Trustee as an item of Portfolio Collateral by any change in circumstance or status during the time while on loan (including any change that would cause the Portfolio Collateral to be ineligible for purchase by the Issuer under this Indenture if applied to a proposed purchase of it in the open market at the time of its return from loan).

## ARTICLE VIII

### SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURES

#### Section 8.1. Supplemental Indentures Without Consent of Noteholders.

Without the consent of the Holders of any Notes, but with the consent of the Servicer, each Hedge Counterparty (to the extent the amendment would have a material adverse effect on such Hedge Counterparty), the Co-Issuers and the Trustee, at any time, may enter into one or more indentures supplemental hereto, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, for any of the following purposes:

- (1) to correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of this Indenture, or better to assure, convey and confirm unto the Trustee any property subject or required to be subjected to the lien of this Indenture, or to subject to the lien of this Indenture additional property;
- (2) to evidence the succession of another Person to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, and the assumption by any such successor of the covenants of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer contained herein and in the Notes or the Combination Notes;
- (3) to add to the covenants of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes and the Combination Notes, or to surrender any right or power herein conferred upon the Issuer or the Co-Issuer;
- (4) to Grant any property to the Trustee;
- (5) to evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment hereunder by a successor Trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of this Indenture as shall be necessary to facilitate the administration of the Trust Estate by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of Section 6.9 or 6.10 hereof;

(6) to cure any ambiguity, or to correct, modify or supplement any provision which is defective or inconsistent with any other provision herein;

(7) to take any action necessary or helpful to prevent the Issuer or the Trustee from becoming subject to any withholding or other taxes or assessments or to reduce the risk that the Issuer will be engaged in a United States trade or business or that the Issuer (or the beneficial owners thereof) will be subject to United States income tax on a net income basis;

(8) to correct any manifest error in any provision hereof upon receipt by the Trustee of written direction from the Issuer or Co-Issuer (as to which the Trustee may rely) describing in reasonable detail such error and the modification necessary to correct such error; or

(9) to effectuate the provisions of Section 2.12 hereof *provided* that such amendment shall not, as evidenced by an Officer's Certificate of the Issuer, adversely affect in any material respect the interests of any Noteholder; or

(10) to facilitate the delivery and maintenance of the Notes in accordance with the requirements of DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream;

(11) to authorize the appointment of any listing agent, Transfer Agent, Paying Agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes required or advisable in connection with the listing of the Notes on the Irish Stock Exchange or any other stock exchange and otherwise to amend this Indenture to incorporate any changes required or requested by any governmental authority, stock exchange authority, listing agent, Transfer Agent, Paying Agent or additional registrar for such Notes in connection therewith;

(12) to modify the restrictions on and procedures for resale and other transfer of the Notes or the Combination Notes in accordance with any change in any applicable law or regulation (or the interpretation thereof) or to enable the Co-Issuers to rely upon any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities Act or the Investment Company Act or to remove restrictions on resale and transfer to the extent not required thereunder;

(13) notwithstanding anything contained in clause (12), to modify the restrictions on, and procedures for, resale and transfer of the Notes in accordance with any change in ERISA;

(14) evidence the addition of an additional issuer or of a wholly owned subsidiary of the Issuer that, in either case, will acquire securities from the Issuer and pledge its assets to secure the obligations of the Issuer secured by the Trust Estate, to the extent necessary to permit the Issuer to comply with the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder or any other statute, rule or regulation applicable to the Issuer, and the assumption by any such additional issuer or subsidiary of the covenants and obligations of the Issuer in this Indenture; or

(15) prevent the Issuer from becoming an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act or better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 thereunder; *provided* that, with respect to this clause (15) only, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and Bear Stearns shall have (A) satisfied the Rating Condition with respect to such supplemental indenture and (B) received a customary, unqualified opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) providing that, after giving effect to such supplemental indenture, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act;

*provided further* that (A) such amendment for any matters described in clauses (1) through (14) shall not, as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion), adversely affect in any material respect the interests of any Noteholder and (B) no amendment shall be made that would cause the Issuer to register as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act. The Trustee shall be entitled to receive and rely upon an opinion of counsel to the effect that a proposed supplemental indenture does not materially adversely affect the interests of the Noteholders of any Class of Notes or the interest of the Preferred Shareholders; *provided* that any such opinion of counsel may rely on an officer's certificate covering any relevant factual matters.

The Trustee is hereby authorized to join in the execution of any such supplemental indenture and to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations that may be therein contained. At the cost of the Issuer, the Trustee shall provide to the Servicer, the Cap Provider and for so long as any Notes or Combination Notes are then rated, each Rating Agency then rating any Notes or Combination Notes a copy of any proposed supplemental indenture at least 10 days prior to the execution thereof by the Trustee and request written confirmation that the entering into of such supplemental indenture satisfies the Rating Condition. The Trustee shall not enter into any such supplemental indenture if such supplemental indenture does not satisfy the Rating Condition, and, as soon as practicable after the execution by the Trustee and the Issuer of any such supplemental indenture, the Issuer or the Trustee at the request of the Issuer shall provide to the Servicer, each Hedge Counterparty and each Rating Agency then rating any Notes or Combination Notes a copy of the executed supplemental indenture.

In addition, upon the proposal of the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, and subject to the consent of at least a Majority of the Eligible Preferred Shares of such proposal or at the direction of such Preferred Shares, the Co-Issuers and the Servicer, the Trustee and the Co-Issuers may enter into one or more supplemental indentures (i) in connection with an Optional Redemption by Refinancing involving the issuance of additional notes, to accommodate the issuance of such additional notes and to establish the terms thereof or (ii) in connection with an Optional Redemption by Refinancing involving secured loans, to accommodate borrowings under such secured loans and to establish the terms thereof; *provided* that, if a supplemental indenture is entered into in connection with the issuance of additional notes or incurrence of secured loans related to an Optional Redemption by Refinancing, such supplemental indenture

shall not be effective unless each of the Rating Agencies has (a) if additional notes are issued in substantially the same capital structure as the Notes issued on the Closing Date, (i) provided a Rating Confirmation and (ii) provided a rating to the additional notes to be issued or the secured loans to be incurred as agreed upon by the purchasers of such additional notes in such Optional Redemption by Refinancing or (b) in any other case, provided a rating to the additional notes to be issued or the secured loans to be incurred as agreed upon by the purchasers of such additional notes in such Optional Redemption by Refinancing.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein (so long as the Rating Condition has been satisfied), with the consent of the Servicer and, except as provided in this Section 8.1, without the consent of the Holders of any Notes or the Holders of the Combination Notes or Preferred Shares, the Co-Issuers and the Trustee may enter into an indenture or indentures supplemental thereto (other than as may otherwise be permitted under this Indenture): (a) to add additional rows to the Collateral Quality Matrix (other than in accordance with clause (ii) of the second sentence of the definition of "Collateral Quality Matrix"); (b) to change the definition of Collateral Quality Formula (and any related definitions), (c) to change the definition of Weighted Average Life Requirement (and any related definitions), (d) to change the definition of Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test (and any related definitions) and (e) to change the definition of S&P CDO Monitor Test (and any related definitions); *provided* that the Trustee must receive the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class with respect to any indenture or supplemental indenture with respect to items (a) (other than in accordance with clause (ii) of the second sentence of the definition of "Collateral Quality Matrix"), (b), (c), (d) and (e) above.

#### Section 8.2. [Supplemental Indentures with Consent of Noteholders.](#)

With the consent of the Requisite Noteholders, the Servicer and the Holders of the Preferred Shares, to the extent described in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, each Hedge Counterparty (to the extent the amendment would have a material adverse effect on each such Hedge Counterparty), the Co-Issuers and the Trustee may enter into an indenture or indentures supplemental hereto for the purpose of adding any provisions to, or changing in any manner or eliminating any of the provisions of, this Indenture or of modifying in any manner the rights of the Holders of the Notes under this Indenture; *provided* that, notwithstanding any Amendment Buy-Out Option described in Section 9.4(b), no such supplemental indenture shall, without the consent of each Noteholder of each Class adversely affected thereby:

- (1) change the Final Maturity Date or Payment Date of any Note, or reduce the principal amount, notional principal amount or stated amount thereof, as the case may be, or the means of determining the Applicable Periodic Rate, the Optional Redemption Price, the Special Redemption Price, the Tax Event Redemption Price or the Mandatory Redemption Price, as applicable, with respect thereto, change the provisions of this Indenture relating to the application of proceeds of the Trust Estate to the payment of the Notes or the Combination Notes or change the jurisdiction where any Note or Combination Note is payable, or the coin or currency in which, any Note, Combination Note or any amount thereunder is payable, or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after the maturity thereof;

(2) reduce the percentage in Aggregate Principal Amount, the consent of the Holders of which is required for the execution of any such supplemental indenture, or the consent of the Holders of which is required for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of this Indenture or certain Events of Default hereunder and their consequences provided for in this Indenture;

(3) impair or adversely affect the Trust Estate except as otherwise permitted herein;

(4) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on a parity with the lien of this Indenture with respect to any part of the Trust Estate or terminate the lien of this Indenture on any property at any time subject hereto (other than pursuant to the terms of this Indenture) or deprive the Holder of any Note or any other party expressly secured hereby of the security afforded by the lien of this Indenture;

(5) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes whose Holders must direct the Trustee to preserve the Trust Estate or must consent before any request is made to rescind the Trustee's election to preserve the Trust Estate pursuant to Section 5.5 hereof, or to sell or liquidate the Trust Estate pursuant to Section 5.4, 5.5 or 9.7 hereof or modify the requirement for consent of any other party to which the right to consent is expressly granted hereby;

(6) modify any of the provisions of this Section or Section 5.15 hereof, except to increase any such percentage or to provide that certain other provisions of this Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note affected thereby;

(7) modify the provisions of Article XI hereof or the definition of the term "Holder," "Noteholder," "Majority Noteholders," "Majority Preferred Shareholders," "Requisite Noteholders" or of the term "Outstanding";

(8) amend any provision of this Indenture relating to the institution of proceedings for the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to be adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency proceedings against it, or the filing with respect to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Bankruptcy Code or any other similar applicable law, or the consent by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the filing of any such petition as to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, respectively;

(9) amend any provision of this Indenture or other such document that provides that the obligations of the Co-Issuer or the Issuer, as the case may be, are non-recourse obligations of the Co-Issuer or the Issuer, respectively, payable solely from the Collateral in accordance with the terms hereof; or

(10) modify any of the provisions of this Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount or timing of any payment of interest or principal

due on any Note or Combination Note on any Payment Date (including the calculation of any of the individual components of such calculation) or to affect the rights of the Holders of Notes or Combination Notes to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of such Notes or Combination Notes contained herein.

With respect to any action that requires consent from 100% of the Noteholders, if any Noteholder has notified the Trustee in writing that pursuant to such Noteholder's organizational documents or other documents governing such Noteholder's actions, the Noteholder is not permitted to take any affirmative action approving, rejecting or otherwise acting upon any Issuer request under the Indenture, the failure by such Noteholder to consent to or reject any such requested action will be deemed a consent by such Noteholder to the requested action. In addition, any consent required from a Noteholder or a Holder of a Preferred Share may be evidenced by one or more instruments (which may be an electronic document, including, but not limited to, in the form of email, to the extent permitted by applicable law), signed by Noteholders or Holders of Preferred Shares in person or by agents duly appointed in writing (*provided* that no signature shall be required on electronic documents, including, but not limited to, in the form of email to the extent permitted by law).

Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section, the Trustee shall mail to the Servicer and, so long as any Notes or Combination Notes are then rated by any Rating Agency, to each such Rating Agency, a copy of such supplemental indenture and, if any Notes or Combination Notes are then rated, prior to the execution of the proposed supplemental indenture, the Rating Condition must be satisfied with respect to such supplemental indenture.

Except for any proposed amendment that would affect the terms of the Combination Notes as such, Holders of the Combination Notes shall be entitled to vote under this Section 8.2 only as Holders of the related Component Securities.

It shall not be necessary in connection with any consent of Noteholders under this Section for the Noteholders to approve the specific form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if such consent shall approve the substance thereof.

In the event that any supplemental indenture is consented to by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes and the Rating Condition is satisfied or is specifically waived by all consenting parties, all conditions precedent to the execution of such supplemental indenture shall be deemed satisfied, the execution of such supplemental indenture shall be authorized or permitted by this Indenture, and the Trustee shall execute and accept the additional trusts created by such supplemental indenture pursuant to this Article VIII or modification thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture without obtaining an Opinion of Counsel; *provided* that the Trustee may, but shall not be obligated to, enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise. The Servicer shall not be bound by any amendment or supplement to this Indenture that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer unless the Servicer consents to it in writing, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed. The Servicer shall follow any amendment or supplement to this Indenture by which it is bound of which it has



received written notice from the time it receives a copy of the amendment from the Issuer or the Trustee.

Promptly after the execution by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.2, the Issuer or the Trustee at the request of the Issuer shall deliver to the Holders of the Notes, the Servicer, each Rating Agency then rating any Notes a copy thereof.

Section 8.3. [Execution of Supplemental Indentures.](#)

In executing or accepting the additional trusts created by any supplemental indenture permitted by this Article VIII or the modifications thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture, the Trustee shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to Section 6.3(d) hereof) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an Opinion of Counsel stating that the execution of such supplemental indenture is authorized or permitted by this Indenture, and that all conditions precedent applicable thereto under this Indenture have been satisfied. The Trustee may, but shall not be obligated to, enter into any such supplemental indenture which affects the Trustee's own rights, duties or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise.

Section 8.4. [Effect of Supplemental Indentures.](#)

Upon the execution of any supplemental indenture under this Article VIII, this Indenture shall be modified in accordance therewith, and such supplemental indenture shall form a part of this Indenture for all purposes; and every Holder of Notes and Combination Notes theretofore and thereafter authenticated and delivered hereunder shall be bound thereby.

Section 8.5. [Reference in Notes and Combination Notes to Supplemental Indentures.](#)

Notes and Combination Notes authenticated and delivered after the execution of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Article VIII may, and if required by the Trustee shall, bear a notation in form approved by the Trustee as to any matter provided for in such supplemental indenture. If the Issuer shall so determine, new Notes and Combination Notes, so modified as to conform in the opinion of the Trustee and the Issuer to any such supplemental indenture, may be prepared and executed by the Issuer and authenticated and delivered by the Trustee in exchange for Outstanding Notes and Combination Notes.

## ARTICLE IX

### REDEMPTION; TERMINATION OF TRUST

Section 9.1. [Optional Redemption.](#)

(a) The Notes shall be redeemable, in whole but not in part, by the Co-Issuer or the Issuers, as applicable, at the direction of the Holders of at least 66-2/3% of the outstanding Eligible Preferred Shares on any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period at the Optional Redemption Price (such redemption of all the Notes, an "Optional Redemption by Liquidation"). No redemption pursuant to this Section 9.1(a) shall occur unless all Outstanding Notes are

redeemed, all payments, fees and expenses are paid in full on the date of such redemption, all amounts due to or advanced by any Hedge Counterparty under any Hedge Agreement have been paid or reimbursed and the applicable notice requirements provided in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement have been satisfied.

(b) Any Class of Notes may be redeemed in whole but not in part, on any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period from the proceeds of a Refinancing (the "Refinancing Proceeds") with the consent of the Holders of at least a Majority of the Eligible Preferred Shares or at the direction of such Holders of Preferred Shares if the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, gives written notice thereof to the Holders of all the Preferred Shares (with a copy to the Trustee, the Paying and Transfer Agent and Rating Agencies) at least 30 days prior to the Payment Date fixed by the Issuer for such redemption (such date, the "Refinancing Date"), by obtaining a loan or an issuance of a replacement class of notes, the terms of which loan or issuance will be negotiated by, and acceptable to, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, from one or more financial institutions or purchasers (which may include the Servicer or its Affiliates) selected by the Servicer (a refinancing provided to such loan or issuance, a "Refinancing" and a redemption of the Notes in connection with such Refinancing, an "Optional Redemption by Refinancing") and, if such Refinancing has not been directed by a Majority of the Eligible Preferred Shares, such proposal is approved such Majority of the Preferred Shares prior to the Refinancing Date. The Issuer shall obtain a Refinancing only if the Servicer determines to its satisfaction (and so notifies the Trustee in writing) that: (i) the principal amount of any obligations providing the Refinancing is no greater than the principal amount of the Notes being redeemed plus the fees and administrative expenses of the Issuer related to the Refinancing; (ii) the stated maturity of the obligations providing the Refinancing is no earlier than the Stated Maturity of the Notes being redeemed; (iii) the interest rate payable in respect of the obligations providing the Refinancing is less than the interest rate payable on the Notes being redeemed; (iv) the agreements relating to the Refinancing contain non-recourse and non-petition provisions, investor qualification provisions and transfer restrictions equivalent to those applicable to the Notes being redeemed, as set forth in the Indenture; (v) the proceeds from the Refinancing will be at least sufficient to redeem the applicable Notes (at the Optional Redemption Price therefor) and to pay any fees and administrative expenses of the Issuer related to the Refinancing; (vi) the Refinancing Proceeds will be used (to the extent necessary) to redeem the applicable Notes; (vii) the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency shall be satisfied (other than with respect to the Notes being redeemed); (viii) the obligations providing the Refinancing are subject to the Priority of Payments and do not rank higher in priority pursuant to the Priority of Payments than the Class of Notes being redeemed; and (ix) the expenses in connection with the Refinancing have been paid or will be adequately provided for. Any Refinancing Proceeds shall not constitute Collateral Interest Collections or Collateral Principal Collections but shall be applied directly on the related Refinancing Date pursuant to the Indenture to redeem the Notes being refinanced without regard to the Priority of Payments; *provided* that, to the extent that any Refinancing Proceeds are not applied to redeem the Notes being refinanced, such Refinancing Proceeds shall be treated as Collateral Principal Collections or, if the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to such application, as Collateral Interest Collections. None of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee or any other Person shall be liable to the Holders of the Preferred Shares for the failure to issue additional notes or to obtain secured loans.

(c) The election of the Issuer to redeem any Notes pursuant to this Section 9.1 shall be set forth in an Issuer Order, given to the Trustee in accordance with Section 9.6 hereof, directing the Trustee to make the payment of the Optional Redemption Price for all (in the case of an Optional Redemption by Liquidation) or the selected Class (in the case of an Optional Redemption by Refinancing) of the Notes, as applicable, from funds in the Collection Account and/or from monies deposited with the Trustee by the Issuer pursuant to Section 9.8 hereof.

(d) The Issuer shall, simultaneously with electing to redeem Notes under this Section 9.1, set the Optional Redemption Date and the Redemption Record Date for any redemption pursuant to this Section and give notice thereof to the Trustee pursuant to Section 9.6 hereof.

(e) The Issuer shall have the option to withdraw the notice of redemption until (i) the earlier of the fifth Business Day prior to the proposed Optional Redemption Date and the date on which a forward purchase contract is entered into pursuant to Section 9.8 or (ii) the fifth Business Day prior to the proposed Refinancing Date, if (A) in the case of an Optional Redemption by Liquidation, the Servicer shall be unable to deliver the forward purchase contract which satisfies the terms of Section 9.8 to the Trustee, in form satisfactory to the Trustee or (B) in the case of an Optional Redemption by Refinancing, the Servicer does not make the determinations required pursuant to Section 9.1(b) or (C) in the case of any Optional Redemption, at least a Majority of the Eligible Preferred Shares direct such notice to be withdrawn, in each case by written notice to the Trustee, the Servicer, each Class of Notes and, for so long as any Class of Notes and the Rating Agencies is listed on any stock exchange and the rules of such stock exchange so require, to such stock exchange, on or prior to such earlier day.

(f) On the Optional Redemption Date, the Optional Redemption Price shall be distributed pursuant to Section 11.1(d) after payment of all amounts required to be paid pursuant to Section 11.1(b).

#### Section 9.2. Mandatory Redemption.

If either the Interest Coverage Test or the Overcollateralization Tests (other than with respect to a failure of the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test) are not satisfied as of any applicable Calculation Date or a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, all or a portion of the Notes shall be redeemed (or, in the case of the Class B-1L Notes and the Class B-2L Notes, any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts shall be paid and then the Notes shall be redeemed) by the Issuer, in the order set forth in Section 11.1 hereof, on the Payment Date immediately following such Calculation Date at the Mandatory Redemption Price (pursuant to the applicable provisions of Sections 11.1 and 11.2 hereof) in an amount sufficient such that the Interest Coverage Test and Overcollateralization Tests are satisfied or a Rating Confirmation is received, as applicable. The amount of any Mandatory Redemption hereunder shall be determined in accordance with the provisions of Section 11.2 hereof. If on any Payment Date the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, 50% of available Interest Proceeds will be applied to pay principal on the Class B-2L Notes and 50% (or, after the Class B-2L Notes are paid in full, 100%) of available Interest Proceeds will be applied sequentially to pay principal on the Notes according to the priorities described herein until the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test is satisfied. In

addition, Principal Proceeds will be applied sequentially to pay principal on the Notes, as set forth in clause SECOND of Section 11.1(c)(ii) and 11.1(c)(iii) herein.

Section 9.3. [Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement.](#)

On each Payment Date after the second Payment Date, the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement shall be applied by the Issuer in the order set forth in Section 11.1 hereof.

Section 9.4. [Special Redemption; Amendment Buy-Out](#)

(a) The Notes shall be redeemable in part on any Payment Date during the Revolving Period at the option of the Issuer, as directed by and at the discretion of the Servicer, to the extent more than U.S. \$2,000,000 of Collateral Principal Collections held in the Collection Account are not applied to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral satisfying the criteria contained in Section 11.3 hereof by the earlier of the last day of the next succeeding Due Period or the last day of the Revolving Period, in the order and priority set forth in Section 11.1 hereof.

(b) In the case of any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Notes or Preferred Shares, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders (which shall not include any Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes unless such Holders consent to being designated as "Non-Consenting Holders," as described below) all Notes or Preferred Shares held by such Holders of the Class of Notes or Preferred Shares whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture (the "Amendment Buy-Out Option") for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; *provided, however*, that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser may not exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option during the Non-Call Period in connection with a proposed amendment to reduce the rate of interest on any Security, as applicable, or to change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preferred Shares may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer; *provided further*, that notwithstanding the definition of Non-Consenting Holder, any Holder of Notes (other than the Class A-1LA Notes) or Preferred Shares who fails to respond to any such consent solicitation shall be deemed to have consented to any such supplemental indenture. Notwithstanding the foregoing, during the Non-Call Period, "Non-Consenting Holder" shall exclude any Holder of Class A-1LA Notes (unless such Holder has consented in writing to be designated as a Non-Consenting Holder) and the Amendment Buy-Out Option shall not be applicable to such Class A-1LA Notes. If the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all such Notes or Preferred Shares of Non-Consenting Holders, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes or Preferred Shares the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an "Amendment Buy-Out"). By its acceptance of its Securities or Preferred Shares hereunder, each Holder of Notes or Preferred Shares agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its applicable Notes or Preferred Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser. Neither the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser nor any other Person shall have any liability to any Holder or Beneficial Owner of Securities or Preferred Shares as a result of an election by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser not to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option. For the avoidance of doubt, (i) nothing described above or in the Indenture shall in any way limit or restrict the rights of the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes to consent or withhold their consent to a supplemental

indenture or to otherwise vote their interest both during and after the Non-Call Period and (ii) the Trustee shall have no responsibility for overseeing the Servicer's compliance with the Amendment Buy-Out provisions herein.

(c) All purchases made pursuant to an Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Securities or Preferred Shares set forth herein and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

#### Section 9.5. Tax Event Redemption.

(a) The Notes shall be redeemable, in whole but not in part, by the Issuer at the direction of a Majority of the Preferred Shares or a Majority of the Controlling Class (but only if the Aggregate Principal Balance of Portfolio Collateral is less than 100% of the Class A-1L Notes) on any Payment Date at the Tax Event Redemption Price, if as a result of (i) change in tax law, rule or regulation or the interpretation thereof, the payments to be received on the Portfolio Collateral are reduced as a result of the imposition of withholding tax, (ii) the Issuer is otherwise subjected to tax such that the income of the Issuer is reduced in an amount determined by such holders of Preferred Shares to be material, (iii) (A) one or more items of Portfolio Collateral that were not subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them have become subject to withholding tax or the rate of withholding has increased on one or more items of Portfolio Collateral that were subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them and (B) in any Due Period the aggregate of the payments subject to withholding tax on new withholding tax obligations and the increase in payments subject to withholding tax on increased rate withholding tax obligations, in each case to the extent not "grossed-up" (on an after-tax basis) by the related obligor, represent 5% or more of Interest Proceeds for the Due Period, or (iv) (A) a Hedge Counterparty being required to deduct or withhold from any payment to the Issuer under the related Hedge Agreement for or on account of any tax for whatever reason and such obligor or Hedge Counterparty is not required to pay to the Issuer such additional amount as is necessary to ensure that the net amount actually received by the Issuer (free and clear of taxes, whether assessed against such obligor, such Hedge Counterparty or the Issuer) will equal the full amount that the Issuer would have received had no such deduction or withholding occurred or (B) the Issuer being required to pay to the Hedge Counterparty an additional amount for or on account of any tax for whatever reason, the Issuer does not receive the full amount under a Hedge Agreement that it would otherwise be entitled to receive, or (v) taxes, fees, assessments or other similar charges are imposed on the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in an aggregate amount in any 12-month period in excess of \$2,000,000, other than liabilities for withholding taxes included in clause (iii) above. No redemption pursuant to this Section 9.5 shall occur unless all Outstanding Notes are redeemed, unless all payments, fees and expenses are paid in full on the date of such redemption, all amounts due to or advanced by any Hedge Counterparty under any Hedge Agreement have been paid or reimbursed and unless all other payments, fees and expenses are paid in full.

(b) The election of the Issuer to redeem any Notes pursuant to this Section 9.5 shall be set forth in an Issuer Order, given to the Trustee in accordance with Section 9.6 hereof, directing the Trustee to make the payment of the Tax Event Redemption Price from funds in the

Collection Account and/or from monies deposited with the Trustee by the Issuer pursuant to Section 9.8 hereof.

(c) The Issuer shall, simultaneously with electing to redeem Notes under this Section 9.5, set the Tax Event Redemption Date and the Redemption Record Date for any redemption pursuant to this Section 9.5 and give notice thereof to the Trustee pursuant to Section 9.6 hereof.

(d) The Issuer shall have the option to withdraw the notice of redemption until the earlier of the fifth Business Day prior to the proposed Tax Event Redemption Date and the date on which a forward purchase contract is entered into pursuant to Section 9.8(b) hereof by written notice to the Trustee and the Servicer on or prior to such earlier day.

(e) On the Tax Redemption Date, the Tax Event Redemption Price shall be distributed pursuant to Section 11.1(d) hereof after payment of all amounts required to be paid pursuant to Section 11.1(b) hereof.

Section 9.6. [Notice to Trustee, Rating Agencies, the Hedge Counterparty and the Servicer.](#)

(a) The Issuer shall by Issuer Order, in connection with an Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.1 or a Tax Event Redemption pursuant to Section 9.5, not later than the twentieth Business Day immediately preceding the proposed Optional Redemption Date or Tax Event Redemption Date, as applicable, notify in writing the Trustee, each Hedge Counterparty, each Rating Agency then rating any Class of Notes and the Servicer of such proposed Optional Redemption Date or Tax Event Redemption Date, as applicable, and the proposed Redemption Record Date and Optional Redemption Price for each Class of Notes.

(b) If any Mandatory Redemption is required pursuant to Section 9.2 hereof, the Issuer shall, not later than the third Business Day after the related Calculation Date, notify in writing the Trustee, each Rating Agency then rating any Class of Notes, the Hedge Counterparty, the Servicer and, so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent that such redemption is required and the amount of the Notes of each Class required to be redeemed pursuant to the provisions of Section 11.2 hereof.

(c) If any Special Redemption is required pursuant to Section 9.4 hereof, the Issuer shall, not later than twentieth Business Day preceding the proposed Special Redemption Date, notify in writing the Trustee, each Rating Agency then rating any Class of Notes, the Hedge Counterparty, the Servicer and, so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent that such proposed redemption is required and the amount of the Notes of each Class to be redeemed.

Section 9.7. [Notice of Optional Redemption and Tax Event Redemption by the Issuer.](#)

(a) If notice thereof has been received by the Trustee from the Issuer pursuant to Section 9.6 hereof, notice of an Optional Redemption shall be given by the Trustee by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not less than twenty calendar days prior to the proposed



Redemption Record Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed at the address in the Note Register (with a copy to the Rating Agencies at the addresses specified in Section 10.7 hereof), and, so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent.

All notices of Optional Redemption shall state: the proposed Optional Redemption Date; the proposed Redemption Record Date; and that on such proposed Optional Redemption Date, all Outstanding Notes are to be redeemed and paid in full and that applicable interest thereon shall cease to accrue on the date specified in the notice and the place where such Notes may be surrendered for payment of the Optional Redemption Price, which shall be the agency of the Trustee to be maintained as provided in Section 7.2 hereof; and that the Issuer may withdraw such election at any time on or prior to the earlier of the Business Day prior to such proposed Optional Redemption Date and the date before which a forward purchase contract is entered into pursuant to Section 9.8(a) hereof.

At the cost of the Issuer, the Trustee shall give notice of any withdrawal of the notice of redemption pursuant to Section 9.1(d) hereof (to the extent feasible) by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery, sent not later than the third Business Day prior to the previously proposed Optional Redemption Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed at the address in the Note Register, and, so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent.

Notice of Optional Redemption of the Notes shall be given by the Issuer or, at the Issuer's request, by the Trustee in the name of the Issuer and at the expense of the Issuer. Failure to give notice of redemption or notice of withdrawal, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Note shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of the Notes or give rise to any claim based upon such failure or defect.

(b) If notice thereof has been received by the Trustee from the Issuer pursuant to Section 9.6 hereof, notice of a Tax Event Redemption shall be given by the Trustee by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not less than twenty calendar days prior to the proposed Redemption Record Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed at the address in the Note Register (with a copy to the Rating Agencies at the addresses specified in Section 10.7 hereof), and, so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent.

All notices of a Tax Event Redemption shall state: the proposed Tax Event Redemption Date; the proposed Redemption Record Date; and that on such proposed Tax Event Redemption Date, all of the Notes (to the extent of the Aggregate Principal Amount) are to be redeemed and paid in full and that interest thereon shall cease to accrue on the date specified in the notice and the place where such Notes may be surrendered for payment of the Tax Event Redemption Price, which shall be the agency of the Trustee to be maintained as provided in Section 7.2 hereof; and that the Issuer may withdraw such election at any time on or prior to the earlier of the fifth Business Day prior to such proposed Tax Event Redemption Date and the date before which a forward purchase contract is entered into pursuant to Section 9.8(b) hereof.

At the cost of the Issuer, the Trustee shall give notice of any withdrawal of the notice of redemption pursuant to Section 9.5 hereof (to the extent feasible) by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery, sent not later than the third Business Day prior to the previously

proposed Tax Event Redemption Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed at the address in the Note Register (with a copy to the Rating Agencies at the addresses specified in Section 10.7 hereof), and, so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent.

Notice of Tax Event Redemption of the Notes shall be given by the Issuer or, at the Issuer's request, by the Trustee in the name of the Issuer and at the expense of the Issuer. Failure to give notice of redemption or notice of withdrawal, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Note shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of the Notes or the withdrawal thereof or give rise to any claim based upon such failure or defect.

Section 9.8. [Deposit of Optional Redemption Price and Tax Event Redemption Price.](#)

(a) In the case of an Optional Redemption, on or before the fifth Business Day preceding the proposed Optional Redemption Date contained in the notice of redemption as provided in Section 9.6 hereof, the Issuer shall deposit with the Trustee cash or Eligible Investments maturing no later than the Business Day prior to the Optional Redemption Date (unless such Eligible Investments are issued by the Person acting as Trustee, in which event they may mature on the Optional Redemption Date), or any combination thereof, in an amount sufficient to provide for payment of the Optional Redemption Price with respect to the Outstanding Notes and all amounts due under Sections 11.1(b) and 11.1(d) hereof. The Issuer may use all available funds in the Collection Account to provide for payment of the Optional Redemption Price in accordance with Section 11.1 hereof. In the event that there are not sufficient available funds in the Collection Account as of the date the notice of redemption is sent out pursuant to Section 9.6 hereof to pay the Optional Redemption Price on the Optional Redemption Date in accordance with Sections 11.1(b) and 11.1(d) hereof, the Servicer shall give the Trustee written direction to sell Portfolio Collateral in an amount sufficient to provide available funds to pay the Optional Redemption Price in full pursuant to Sections 11.1(b) and 11.1(d) hereof, and shall give the Issuer written direction to enter into, as of a date which is not later than five (5) Business Days prior to the Optional Redemption Date, forward contracts (each of which shall provide for "payment versus delivery" and shall direct that payment be made to the Trustee) with a financial institution rated "A-1+" by Standard & Poor's and "P-1" by Moody's to sell such Portfolio Collateral for settlement at least three Business Days prior to the Optional Redemption Date, and shall provide a copy of such contract to the Trustee prior to such Business Day preceding such redemption date; and pursuant to such instruction, the Trustee shall release and sell such Portfolio Collateral for purposes of such redemption. In determining whether the proceeds of any Optional Redemption will be sufficient to pay the Optional Redemption Price on the Optional Redemption Date, the Issuer and the Trustee may rely on the Market Value of the Portfolio Collateral when entering into any forward purchase agreements.

(b) In the case of a Tax Event Redemption, on or before the fifth Business Day preceding the proposed Tax Event Redemption Date contained in the notice of redemption as provided in Section 9.6 hereof, the Issuer shall deposit with the Trustee cash or Eligible Investments maturing no later than the Business Day prior to the Tax Event Redemption Date (unless such Eligible Investments are issued by the Person acting as Trustee, in which event they may mature on the Tax Event Redemption Date), or any combination thereof, in an amount



sufficient to provide for payment of the Tax Event Redemption Price with respect to the Outstanding Notes and all amounts due under Sections 11.1(b) and 11.1(d) hereof. The Issuer may use all available funds in the Collection Account to provide for payment of the Tax Event Redemption Price in accordance with Section 11.1 hereof. In the event that there are not sufficient available funds in the Collection Account as of the date the notice of redemption is sent out pursuant to Section 9.6 hereof to pay the Tax Event Redemption Price on the Tax Event Redemption Date in accordance with Sections 11.1(b) and 11.1(d) hereof, the Servicer shall give the Trustee written direction to sell Portfolio Collateral in an amount sufficient to provide available funds to pay the Tax Event Redemption Price in full pursuant to Sections 11.1(b) and 11.1(d) hereof, and shall give the Issuer written direction to enter into, as of a date which is not later than five Business Days prior to the Tax Event Redemption Date, forward contracts (each of which shall provide for "payment versus delivery" and shall direct that payment be made to the Trustee) with a financial institution rated "A-1+" by Standard & Poor's and "P-1" by Moody's to sell such Portfolio Collateral for settlement at least three Business Days prior to the Tax Event Redemption Date, and shall provide a copy of such contract to the Trustee prior to such third Business Day preceding such redemption date; and pursuant to such instruction, the Trustee shall release and sell such Portfolio Collateral for purposes of such redemption.

#### Section 9.9. [Notes Payable on Optional Redemption Date.](#)

In the event that notice of Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.1 hereof has been given as provided in Section 9.6 hereof and not withdrawn, all Outstanding Notes shall on the Optional Redemption Date become due and payable at the Optional Redemption Price, and (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Optional Redemption Price) all Outstanding Notes shall cease to bear interest on the Optional Redemption Date. Each Holder shall present and surrender its Note at the place specified in the notice of Optional Redemption on or prior to such Optional Redemption Date; *provided* that if there is delivered to the Issuer and the Trustee such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them harmless (an unsecured indemnity agreement of an Institutional Investor organized under the laws of the United States or any state in the United States with a net worth at least twice the amount of the security or indemnity being deemed sufficient to satisfy such security or indemnity requirement) and an undertaking thereafter to surrender such Note, then, in the absence of notice to the Issuer or the Trustee that the applicable Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, such payment shall be made without presentation or surrender.

If any Note called for redemption shall not be so paid upon surrender thereof for Optional Redemption (or the delivery of the indemnity pursuant to the preceding paragraph), the principal shall, until paid, bear interest from the Optional Redemption Date at the Applicable Periodic Rate.

#### Section 9.10. [Notes Payable on Mandatory Redemption Date.](#)

In the event of a Mandatory Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2 hereof, principal of the Notes (or, in the case of Class B-1L Notes and the Class B-2L Notes, any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount and then any principal) in an amount determined pursuant to Section 11.2 hereof shall on the Mandatory Redemption Date become due and payable, and (unless the Issuer

shall default in the payment of the Mandatory Redemption Price) such amounts shall cease to bear interest on the Mandatory Redemption Date.

Section 9.11. [Notes Payable on Tax Event Redemption.](#)

In the event that notice of a Tax Event Redemption pursuant to Section 9.5 hereof has been given as provided in Section 9.6 hereof and not withdrawn, all Outstanding Notes shall on the Tax Event Redemption Date become due and payable at the Tax Event Redemption Price, and (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Tax Event Redemption Price) all Outstanding Notes shall cease to bear interest on the Tax Event Redemption Date. Each Holder shall present and surrender its Note at the place specified in the notice of redemption on or prior to such Tax Event Redemption Date; *provided* that if there is delivered to the Issuer and the Trustee such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them harmless (an unsecured indemnity agreement of an Institutional Investor organized under the laws of the United States or any state in the United States with a net worth at least twice the amount of the security or indemnity being deemed sufficient to satisfy such security or indemnity requirement) and an undertaking thereafter to surrender such Note, then, in the absence of notice to the Issuer or the Trustee that the applicable Note has been acquired by a bona fide purchaser, such payment shall be made without presentation or surrender.

If any Note called for a Tax Event Redemption shall not be so paid upon surrender thereof for a Tax Event Redemption (or the delivery of the indemnity pursuant to the preceding paragraph), the principal shall, until paid, bear interest from the Tax Event Redemption Date at the Applicable Periodic Rate.

Section 9.12. [Initial Deposit Redemption.](#)

The Class A-1LA Notes shall be subject to Initial Deposit Redemption pursuant to the terms of Section 3.3 hereof.

Section 9.13. [Reserved.](#)

Section 9.14. [Notes Payable on Special Redemption Date.](#)

In the event of a Special Redemption pursuant to Section 9.4 hereof, principal of the Notes (or, in the case of the Class B-1L Notes and the Class B-2L Notes, any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount and then any principal) in an amount determined pursuant to Section 11.1 hereof shall on the Special Redemption Date become due and payable and (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Special Redemption Price) such amounts shall cease to bear interest on the Special Redemption Date.

## ARTICLE X

## ACCOUNTS, ACCOUNTINGS AND RELEASES

Section 10.1. Collection of Money.

Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, the Trustee may demand payment or delivery of, and shall receive and collect, directly and without intervention or assistance of any fiscal agent or other intermediary, all money and other property payable to or receivable by the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture, including all payments due on the Pledged Securities included in the Trust Estate, in accordance with the terms and conditions of such Pledged Securities. The Trustee shall segregate and hold all such money and property received by it in trust for the Holders of the Notes and shall apply it as provided in this Indenture.

Section 10.2. Accounts.

(a) The Trustee shall, on or prior to the Closing Date, establish with the Securities Intermediary ten non-interest bearing segregated securities accounts (collectively, the "Accounts") which shall be designated as the "Collection Account," the "Collateral Account," the "Reserve Account," the "Initial Deposit Account," the "Expense Reimbursement Account," the "Loan Funding Account," the "Closing Expense Account," the "Securities Lending Account," the "Default Swap Collateral Account," and the "Default Swap Issuer Account," respectively, identified as held in trust for the benefit of the Noteholders and the applicable Secured Parties or, in the case of the Default Swap Collateral Account, as held in trust for the benefit of the related Default Swap Counterparty and, to the extent provided in this Indenture, the other Secured Parties. The Trustee may establish any number of sub-accounts to the Collection Account for its convenience in administering the Accounts and Trust Estate.

Each Account (including any sub-account) shall be a securities account established with the Securities Intermediary in the name of the Trustee in accordance with Section 6.15.

Pursuant to a Servicer Order, a Default Swap Collateral Account shall be established for each Default Swap. The Trustee shall credit to each such Default Swap Collateral Account on the Closing Date or on the date any such Default Swap is entered into, as applicable, the amount required to secure the obligations of the Issuer in accordance with the terms of the related Default Swap, as directed by the Servicer, which amount shall be at least equal to the amount referred to in paragraph (iv) of the definition of Default Swap, such amounts to be credited to any such Default Swap Collateral Account shall be transferred by the Trustee from the Collection Account or the Initial Deposit Account, as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts credited to a Default Swap Collateral Account shall be maintained in accordance with the terms and provisions of the related Default Swap. Amounts and property credited to a Default Swap Collateral Account shall be withdrawn by the Trustee and applied to the payment of any amounts payable by, or to the delivery of investment property deliverable by, the Issuer to the related Default Swap Counterparty, as directed by the Servicer, in accordance with the terms of such Default Swap. Income received on amounts credited to a Default Swap

Collateral Account will be applied in accordance with the terms of the applicable Default Swap to the payment of any periodic amounts owed by the Issuer to the applicable Default Swap Counterparty on the date such amounts are due, as directed by the Servicer. After application of such amounts, any income then contained in such Default Swap Collateral Account will be withdrawn from such Account, upon direction of the Servicer, and credited to the Collection Account for distribution as Collateral Interest Collections. After payment of all amounts owing by the Issuer to a Default Swap Counterparty in accordance with the terms of the related Default Swap (other than any Default Swap Counterparty Termination Payment) the Trustee shall be directed by the Servicer to withdraw all funds and other property credited to the Default Swap Collateral Account related to such Default Swap and credit such funds and other property to the Collection Account, as Collateral Principal Collections (in the case of cash and Eligible Investments) and the Collateral Account (in the case of Portfolio Collateral and other financial assets) for application as Collateral Principal Collections (other than any income thereon which will be Collateral Interest Collections) in accordance with the terms of this Indenture. Any Default Swap Counterparty Termination Payments owed by the Issuer to the Default Swap Counterparty shall be paid solely from amounts available therefor under the priority of payment provisions described herein.

Except for interest on securities credited to a Default Swap Collateral Account payable to the Issuer as described pursuant to the preceding paragraph, funds and other property standing to the credit of a Default Swap Collateral Account will not be considered to be an asset of the Issuer for purposes of the Interest Coverage Test or the Overcollateralization Tests; *provided, however* that the Default Swap that relates to such Default Swap Collateral Account will be considered an asset of the Issuer for such purposes.

If the terms of any Default Swap require the Default Swap Counterparty to secure its obligations with respect to such Default Swap, upon Servicer Order the Trustee will cause to be established a Default Swap Issuer Account in respect of such Default Swap. The Trustee shall credit to any such Default Swap Issuer Account all funds and other property received from the applicable Default Swap Counterparty to secure the obligations of such Default Swap Counterparty in accordance with the terms of such Default Swap.

Funds and other property standing to the credit of any Default Swap Issuer Account will not be considered to be an asset of the Issuer for purposes of the Interest Coverage Test or the Overcollateralization Tests; *provided, however* that the Default Swap that relates to such Default Swap Issuer Account will be considered an asset of the Issuer for such purposes.

In accordance with the terms of the applicable Default Swap, funds and other property standing to the credit of the related Default Swap Issuer Account will be withdrawn by the Trustee, as directed by the Servicer, and applied to the payment of any amount owing by the related Default Swap Counterparty to the Issuer. After payment of all amounts owing by the Default Swap Counterparty to the Issuer in accordance with the terms of the related Default Swap, all funds and other property standing to the credit of the related Default Swap Issuer Account will be withdrawn from such Default Swap Issuer Account and paid or transferred to the related Default Swap Counterparty, as directed by the Servicer, in accordance with the applicable Default Swap.

The Collection Account shall be a segregated securities account (or, at the Trustee's option, may be comprised of two separate, segregated trust accounts, designated for the collection of Collateral Interest Collections and Collateral Principal Collections, respectively), to which money required to be credited to the Collection Account (and Eligible Investments in which such money may be held from time to time, which Eligible Investments shall be acquired and held pursuant to the terms of Section 6.16 hereof) shall be credited.

All Portfolio Collateral Delivered to the Trustee that consists of security entitlements shall be credited to the Collateral Account.

Pursuant to Servicer Order, on or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Securities Lending Agreement and delivers a copy of it to the Trustee, the Trustee shall create a segregated securities account designated as the Securities Lending Account with respect to any such Securities Lending Agreement. All Securities Lending Collateral posted by any Securities Lending Counterparty and received by the Trustee in support of its respective obligation under a Securities Lending Agreement shall be immediately credited to the Securities Lending Account. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds credited to the Securities Lending Account shall be: (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty to the Issuer under a Securities Lending Agreement if the Securities Lending Agreement becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the related Securities Lending Agreement upon any "event of default" under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement, including liquidating the related Securities Lending Collateral, or (ii) to return the Securities Lending Collateral to the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Securities Lending Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts credited to the Securities Lending Account shall be applied as provided in the preceding paragraph. To the extent provided in a Securities Lending Agreement, earnings on amounts credited to the Securities Lending Account shall be payable by the Issuer to the related Securities Lending Counterparty, as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts credited to the Securities Lending Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Interest Coverage Test or the Overcollateralization Tests, but the loaned security or asset that relates to the Securities Lending Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer.

The Trustee shall credit to the Collection Account (i) all Collections received and (ii) all amounts otherwise received by it which are required to be credited thereto pursuant to this Indenture, including but not limited to, Section 10.3(e)(i) hereof.

The Trustee shall credit to the Initial Deposit Account (i) the Deposit received on the Closing Date for credit to the Initial Deposit Account pursuant to Section 3.2(e) hereof, (ii) all other amounts received by the Trustee which are required to be credited thereto pursuant to this Indenture, including but not limited to, Sections 3.2(e), 10.3(e)(ii) and 11.3 hereof and (iii) all proceeds received with respect to the sale of the Post-Closing Sale Collateral.

Upon the purchase of any item of Portfolio Collateral that is a Delayed Drawdown Loan or a Revolving Loan, the Trustee (as instructed by the Servicer) shall credit Collateral Principal Collections to the Loan Funding Account in an amount equal to the Issuer's maximum future funding obligations under the terms of such Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan (as identified by the Servicer) and the Collateral Principal Collections so credited shall be considered part of the purchase price of such Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan for purposes of Article XII hereof. When Collateral Principal Collections are received by the Trustee with respect to a Delayed Drawdown Loan or a Revolving Loan, the amount of such Collateral Principal Collections that may thereafter be re-borrowed under the terms of the Delayed Drawdown Loan or the Revolving Loan shall be credited to the Loan Funding Account.

The Trustee shall credit to the Expense Reimbursement Account (i) on the Closing Date the \$50,000 received on the Closing Date for credit to the Expense Reimbursement Account pursuant to Section 3.2(f) hereof, (ii) all other amounts received by the Trustee which are required to be credited thereto from available amounts in the Collection Account pursuant to Section 11.1 hereof and (iii) all amounts received by it which are required to be credited thereto pursuant to Section 10.3(e)(iii) hereof.

Upon receipt, the Trustee shall credit to the Closing Expense Account on the Closing Date the amount specified pursuant to Section 3.2(f) hereof.

In addition, the Issuer may, but under no circumstances shall be required to, credit such monies to the Collection Account as it deems, in its sole discretion, to be advisable in the event that, but for such action, an Event of Default would occur.

All monies, instruments, investment property and other property credited to the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Loan Funding Account, the Closing Expense Account and the Reserve Account pursuant to this Indenture, and all Portfolio Collateral and other property credited to the Collateral Account, shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Trust Estate and shall be applied in the manner set forth herein.

The Trustee shall pay free and clear of the lien of the Indenture, upon receipt (or withdrawal from the Collection Account if previously credited thereto), all Retained Accrued Interest, as directed by Bear Stearns.

(b) Upon Servicer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions) or, after the occurrence of an Event of Default upon written direction of the Requisite Noteholders, any portion of the monies in the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, Reserve Account and the Closing Expense Account in excess of \$10,000 (in the aggregate) shall be applied by the Trustee as directed in such Servicer Order (or written direction of Requisite Noteholders, as the case may be) to purchase one or more Eligible Investments, *provided* that Eligible Investments in the Loan Funding Account are to mature no later than one Business Day after the date of such purchase. If the amount in such Accounts is equal to or less than \$10,000, such amount shall remain therein and shall not be held in Eligible Investments. The Servicer and Issuer acknowledge that the

selection of Eligible Investments by the Servicer pursuant to the preceding sentence shall be subject to the availability of such Eligible Investment at the institution at which such Account is held. If, prior to the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Servicer shall not have given directions pursuant to this Section 10.2(b) with respect to any amounts in excess of \$10,000 for one Business Day, the Trustee, unless otherwise directed in writing by the Issuer within one Business Day, shall invest such monies in Standby Directed Investments (which, in the case of Eligible Investments in the Loan Funding Account, are to mature no later than one Business Day after the date of such purchase). If, after the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Requisite Noteholders shall not have given directions pursuant to this Section 10.2(b) with respect to any amounts in excess of \$10,000 for one Business Day, the Trustee shall apply such moneys as fully as practicable to purchase Standby Directed Investments and maturing not later than the earlier of (i) 30 days after the date of such purchase or (ii) the Business Day prior to the next Payment Date (or, in the case of Eligible Investments in the Initial Deposit Account, the Business Day prior to the Effective Date and in the case of Eligible Investments in the Loan Funding Account, one Business Day after the date of such purchase). All income or other gain from such Eligible Investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Reserve Account or the Closing Expense Account, as the case may be (for which the related purchase was made) and any loss resulting from such Eligible Investments shall be charged to the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Loan Funding Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Reserve Account or the Closing Expense Account, as the case may be (for which the related purchase was made). The Trustee shall not in any way be held liable by reason of any insufficiency in the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Loan Funding Account or the Closing Expense Account resulting from any loss on any Eligible Investment. Except as expressly provided herein, the Trustee shall be under no obligation to invest funds held hereunder.

(c) Upon Servicer Order and subject to the provisions of Section 11.3 hereof, on any Business Day, the applicable portion of Collateral Interest Collections shall be released from the Collection Account as specified in such Servicer Order and applied by the Trustee in accordance with such Servicer Order in payment of one or more specified items of Additional Portfolio Collateral purchased in accordance with the provisions of Section 11.3 hereof.

(d) Upon Servicer Order and subject to the provisions of Section 11.3 hereof on any Business Day all or a portion of the Collateral Principal Collections (other than Collateral Disposition Proceeds) shall be released from the Collection Account as specified in such Servicer Order and applied by the Trustee in accordance with such Servicer Order in payment of one or more specified items of Additional Portfolio Collateral purchased in accordance with the provisions of Section 11.3 hereof.

(e) Upon Servicer Order and subject to the provisions of Section 12.4 hereof, on any Business Day all or a portion of the Collateral Disposition Proceeds shall be released from the Collection Account and applied by the Trustee in accordance with such Servicer Order in payment of one or more specified items of Substitute Portfolio Collateral purchased in accordance with the provisions of Section 12.4 hereof.

(f) Upon Servicer Order and subject to the requirements of Section 3.4 hereof, between the Closing Date and the close of business on the Effective Date only, all or a portion of the Deposit available in the Initial Deposit Account shall be released from the Initial Deposit Account and applied by the Trustee in accordance with such Servicer Order in payment for Original Portfolio Collateral purchased in accordance with Section 3.4 hereof. Upon Servicer Order, on the Effective Date and pursuant to Section 3.4(d), all Account Income credited to the Initial Deposit Account shall be released from the Initial Deposit Account and credited to the Collection Account to be applied as Collateral Interest Collections on the next Payment Date and the remainder of such funds shall be considered Collateral Principal Collections.

(g) Upon Servicer Order on behalf of the Issuer, all or a portion of the funds available in the Expense Reimbursement Account shall be released from the Expense Reimbursement Account and applied by the Trustee to the payment to the Issuer for the purpose of paying on or prior to the next Payment Date following the date of delivery of such Servicer Order the Issuer Base Administrative Expenses, as specified therein, which are payable during the Due Period relating to such Payment Date.

(h) On or before the first Payment Date, any remaining portion of the Closing Expense Deposit after the closing expenses have been paid in full, as confirmed by the Issuer, or Servicer on its behalf, (including any Account Income thereon) shall be transferred (i) upon receipt by the Trustee of a Servicer Order to the Initial Deposit Account (and be deemed to be part of the Deposit) or, after the Effective Date, to the Collection Account to be applied as Collateral Interest Collections or (ii) if no such Servicer Order has been received on the Business Day prior to the second Payment Date, to the Collection Account to be applied as Collateral Interest Collections.

(i) Upon Servicer Order on behalf of the Issuer, all or a portion of the funds available in the Loan Funding Account shall be released from the Loan Funding Account and applied by the Trustee to fund amounts drawn under any Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan and only funds in the Loan Funding Account shall be used for such purpose. In addition, upon Servicer Order on behalf of the Issuer, all or a portion of the funds available in the Loan Funding Account at any time in excess of the aggregate principal amount of commitments which may be drawn upon all Delayed Drawdown Loans and Revolving Loans in the Portfolio Collateral will be released from the Loan Funding Account and applied by the Trustee to the Collection Account to be applied as Collateral Principal Collections.

(j) On or before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish with the Securities Intermediary a single, segregated securities account that shall be designated as the Reserve Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the applicable Secured Parties, and over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On the Closing Date, the Trustee, at the direction of the Issuer, shall credit to the Reserve Account the Reserve Amount from the net proceeds of the Offering. Amounts credited to the Reserve Account shall be applied pursuant to subclause (b) of this Section 10.2.



Section 10.3. Custody and Release of Portfolio Collateral.

(a) The Issuer shall cause each item of the Trust Estate to be Delivered, and the Trustee shall hold each item of the Trust Estate as Delivered, separate and apart from all other property held by the Trustee. To the extent that such of the Trust Estate as constitutes a deposit account is maintained with Investors Bank & Trust Company, the parties hereto hereby make the agreements required pursuant to clause (h) of the definition of Delivery. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the Trustee shall not hold any part of the Trust Estate through an agent or nominee except as expressly permitted by this Section 10.3(a). Each of the preceding requirements of this Section 10.3(a) is subject to the right of the Trustee to relocate the Trust Estate to another jurisdiction pursuant to and upon compliance with Section 7.5(b) hereof.

(b) If no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Servicer, by a Servicer Order delivered to the Trustee on or before the settlement date for any sale of an item of Portfolio Collateral, certifying that (i) it has determined that such Portfolio Collateral has become an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, an item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, an item of Equity Portfolio Collateral or an item of Portfolio Collateral to be sold pursuant to Section 12.1(d) hereof and, in each case, the sale of such Portfolio Collateral is in compliance with Section 12.1 hereof or (ii) based upon receipt of an Issuer Order, on or after the Payment Date occurring in November 2011, the Collections from the sale of such Portfolio Collateral shall be used to effect an Optional Redemption in accordance with Section 9.1 hereof or (iii) based on receipt of an Issuer Order, the Collections from the sale of such Portfolio Collateral shall be used to effect a Tax Event Redemption in accordance with Section 9.5 hereof or (iv) it has determined that such Portfolio Collateral has become subject to withholding or similar tax and its sale is in compliance with Section 12.1 hereof, may direct the Trustee to release from the lien of this Indenture and deliver the Portfolio Collateral specified in such Servicer Order and, upon receipt of such Servicer Order, the Trustee shall release such Portfolio Collateral from such lien and deliver such Portfolio Collateral in accordance with the Servicer Order, in each case against receipt of sale proceeds therefor.

(c) The Trustee on behalf of the Issuer shall notify the Servicer of any Portfolio Collateral for which the Trustee has received notice that such Portfolio Collateral is being redeemed or paid in full. The Trustee, upon Servicer Order, shall release from the lien of this Indenture such Portfolio Collateral and shall deliver such Portfolio Collateral in accordance with the terms of the redemption or payment in full, in each case against receipt of the proceeds of the redemption price therefor or payment in full thereof.

(d) The Trustee on behalf of the Issuer shall notify the Servicer of any Portfolio Collateral for which the Trustee has received notice that such Portfolio Collateral is subject to an Offer. If no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing and subject to the provisions of Article XII hereof, the Servicer shall, by Servicer Order delivered to the Trustee on or before the date set for an exchange, tender or sale of such Portfolio Collateral, set forth in reasonable detail the procedure for response to such Offer and direct the Trustee to release from the lien of this Indenture such Portfolio Collateral in accordance with the terms of the Offer in each case against receipt of payment therefor. Subject to the Trustee's timely receipt of such

direction from the Servicer, the Trustee shall be under no obligation to take any action in respect of such Offer.

(e) (i) The Trustee shall credit all proceeds received by it from the disposition of Portfolio Collateral to the Collection Account unless simultaneously applied to purchase in Substitute Portfolio Collateral (as directed by the Servicer). The Trustee shall also credit to the Collection Account (A) all Account Income with respect to the Collection Account, (B) all proceeds received by it from the disposition of an Eligible Investment in the Collection Account, (C) any portion of the Deposit remaining in the Initial Deposit Account on the Effective Date if an Initial Deposit Redemption is not required on such date, which shall be deemed Collateral Principal Collections; *provided* that, at the direction of the Servicer, up to 25% of such remaining Deposit may be deemed to be Collateral Interest Collections, pursuant to Section 3.4(d) hereof, and (D) upon Servicer Order pursuant to Section 10.2(f) hereof, all Account Income in the Initial Deposit Account on the Effective Date.

(ii) The Trustee shall credit to the Initial Deposit Account all proceeds received by it from the disposition of an Eligible Investment in the Initial Deposit Account (subject, however, to the terms of Section 10.2(f) regarding the transfer of such Account Income to the Collection Account on the Effective Date).

(iii) The Trustee shall credit to the Expense Reimbursement Account all Account Income with respect to the Expense Reimbursement Account and all proceeds received by it from the disposition of an Eligible Investment in the Expense Reimbursement Account.

(f) The Trustee shall, at such time as there are no Notes Outstanding and all obligations of the Issuer under or pursuant to this Indenture have been satisfied, upon receipt of written notice from the Servicer that all amounts owing to the Servicer have been paid, release the Trust Estate from the lien of this Indenture.

#### Section 10.4. [Reports of Trustee.](#)

Upon written request, the Trustee shall supply to the Issuer, Ambac and the Servicer at least three (3) Business Days prior to the date required hereunder for delivery of each Note Valuation Report and each Monthly Report, all information that it has received hereunder with respect to the Pledged Securities which is reasonably required for the preparation of the Note Valuation Report and Monthly Report; such information being in a Microsoft Excel format. The Trustee shall supply in a timely fashion to the Issuer, Bear Stearns, Ambac, each Hedge Counterparty and the Servicer any other information that the Issuer or the Servicer may reasonably request from time to time that is in the possession of the Trustee and required to be provided by Section 10.5 hereof. The Trustee shall promptly forward to the Issuer, Bear Stearns, Ambac and the Servicer copies of notices and other writings received by it from the issuer of any Pledged Security or from any clearing agency with respect to any Pledged Security advising the holders of such security of any rights that the holders might have with respect thereto (including, without limitation, notices of calls and redemptions) as well as all periodic financial reports received from such issuers and clearing agencies with respect to such issuers. Nothing in this

Section 10.4 hereof shall be construed to impose upon the Trustee, in such capacity, any duty to prepare any report or statement which the Issuer is required to prepare or provide under Section 10.5 hereof or to calculate, recalculate or verify any information required to be set forth in any such report or statement (other than information regularly maintained by the Trustee by reason of its acting as Trustee hereunder) prepared or required to be prepared by the Issuer or the Servicer. Nothing herein shall be construed to obligate the Trustee to disclose any information concerning its business or its operations which it reasonably considers confidential in nature.

On the date each Monthly Report is delivered or two Business Days prior to the Payment Date if with respect to a Note Valuation Report delivered in a month in which such Payment Date occurs, the Issuer shall cause to be promptly delivered to Standard & Poor's the Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor input file in the Standard & Poor's Preferred Format (*provided* that the specific parameters identified by Standard & Poor's have been delivered to the Issuer and the Trustee prior to the Closing Date and are limited to the scope herein stated) containing the Current Portfolio as of the date of determination and used to determine the S&P Scenario Loss Rate and the Schedule of Portfolio Collateral to Moody's in electronic format. In addition, the Issuer may provide any such reports in electronic form on a password-protected internet site or such other electronic format as the Issuer deems desirable.

#### Section 10.5. Accountings.

(a) Monthly. Not later than the (i) the first day of each month (or if such day is not a Business Day on the next succeeding Business Day) for months where no Payment Date occurs or (ii) the related Payment Date, for months in which a Payment Date occurs, commencing in July 2007, the Issuer shall compile and provide, or procure the provision, to the Trustee, the Paying and Transfer Agent, each Noteholder or Beneficial Owner (upon receipt by the Trustee of a certificate in the form of Exhibit H and to any Servicer of such Noteholder or Beneficial Owner to whom such Noteholder or Beneficial Owner has in writing directed the Trustee to send a copy of such report), Bear Stearns, the Servicer, each Hedge Counterparty and each Rating Agency (but only so long as any Class of Notes is rated) a monthly report in a Microsoft Excel format (the "Monthly Report"), which shall contain the following information and instructions with respect to the Pledged Securities included in the Trust Estate, determined as of the seventh Business Day preceding either (i) the first day of such month (or if such day is not a Business Day on the next succeeding Business Day) or (ii) the Payment Date in months in which a Payment Date occurs (based in part on information provided by the Servicer):

(1) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral, the Principal Balance of each item of Portfolio Collateral, and the annual interest rate, maturity date, the designated seniority, and the LIN, or, with respect to Loan X Inc., the applicable ID (if either is used by the Servicer) or CUSIP Number of each item of Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate, as well as the rating by Standard & Poor's and the rating by Moody's (*provided* that any private confidential credit assessments, including estimated or shadow ratings, shall not be disclosed in any report issued and/or published to any party other than the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer) of such item of Portfolio Collateral determined according to the methods prescribed by Schedules D and E, respectively, and the Moody's corporate family rating, senior unsecured rating or long-

term issuer rating, as applicable, the Moody's Default Probability Rating and the notch difference, if any, of each item of Portfolio Collateral;

(2) the Balance of the Eligible Investments in the Collection Account, the annual interest rate, maturity date, Principal Balance and issuer of each Eligible Investment in the Trust Estate, as well as the rating by Standard & Poor's and the rating by Moody's of such Eligible Investment;

(3) the nature, source and amount of any Collections in the Collection Account, including the Collateral Interest Collections and Collateral Principal Collections received since the date of determination of the last Monthly Report (or since the Closing Date, in the case of the first such report);

(4) the amount and identity of each item of Portfolio Collateral that was released for sale indicating the reason for such sale; and the amount and identity of each item of Portfolio Collateral that was Granted, since the date of determination of the last Monthly Report (or since the Closing Date, in the case of the first such report);

(5) the identity, principal amount of and Market Value (segregating the Market Value determinations made by the Serving Entities) of each item of Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate which is an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and Deferred Interest PIK Bond and the identity and principal amount of each item of Portfolio Collateral that became an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, Deferred Interest PIK Bond or Equity Portfolio Collateral since the date of determination of the last Monthly Report (or since the Closing Date, in the case of the first such report);

(6) the purchase price of each Pledged Security Granted and the sale price of each Pledged Security subject to a sale since the date of determination of the last Monthly Report (or since the Closing Date, in the case of the first such report); whether such Pledged Security is Portfolio Collateral or an Eligible Investment in the Collection Account;

(7) (i) the identity, principal amount, Market Value, purchase price and percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount of each item of Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate which is an item of Discount Portfolio Collateral, since the date of determination of the last Monthly Report (or since the Closing Date, in the case of the first such report) and (ii) the number of consecutive Business Days such item of Discount Portfolio Collateral has traded above (i) 90% of its Principal Balance with respect to Portfolio Loans and (ii) 85% of its Principal Balance with respect to Debt Securities;

(8) after the Effective Date, the calculation of the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio, the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio, the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Ratio and the Interest Coverage Ratio and the amount of any Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement and prior to the Effective Date and with respect to the Interest Coverage Ratio and the amount of any Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement, prior to the second Payment Date, listing such information as "not

applicable" and with respect to the Interest Coverage Ratio, in months other than months in which a Payment Date occurs, calculated in accordance with the second paragraph of the definition of the Interest Coverage Ratio and listing such results but marking them as "not applicable";

(9) information with respect to the Portfolio Collateral Granted to the Trustee since the date of determination of the last Monthly Report (or since the Closing Date, in the case of the first such report) reasonably necessary to determine whether the eligibility criteria set forth in Section 12.2 were satisfied (at the time of such grant);

(10) the percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount comprised of non-U.S. Portfolio Collateral and the rating of the sovereign country in which the issuer of such non-U.S. Portfolio Collateral is domiciled;

(11) the identity of and the Market Value of each item of Portfolio Collateral which is a Current Pay Obligation and the percentage of the Aggregate par Amount comprised of Current Pay Obligations;

(12) the percentage of Portfolio Loans for which a Facility Rating has been withdrawn by Moody's due to a restructuring of such Portfolio Loan;

(13) the Weighted Average Life, the Moody's Weighted Average Rating (determined in accordance with the procedures set forth in Schedule F), the Weighted Average Coupon of the Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral and the Weighted Average Margin of the Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral, the S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate and the Moody's Weighted Average Recovery Rate of the Portfolio Collateral, the Moody's Correlation Factor of the Portfolio Collateral, the Aggregate Principal Amount and percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount of Portfolio Collateral which consists of DIP Loans, Delayed Drawdown Loans, Revolving Loans and which has a Moody's Rating or Standard & Poor's Rating of "Caa1" or below or "CCC+" or below, respectively, other than Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, and the Applicable Percentage of each item of Portfolio Collateral;

(14) (a) the percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount consisting of obligations of issuers domiciled in a Group A Country, (b) the percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount consisting of obligations of issuers domiciled in a Group B Country and (c) the percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount consisting of obligations of issuers domiciled in any country other than the United States of America, a Group A Country or a Group B Country;

(15) the percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount consisting of Synthetic Securities including the identity of the Synthetic Security Obligors and the Reference Obligation and their rating, and the percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount consisting of Strip Securities;

(16) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral and the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral consisting of obligations maturing after August 1, 2024;

(17) the par amount of all Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate as of the Effective Date;

(18) the results of the Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor determined in accordance with Schedule D hereto, whether the Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor Test is passed or failed and the S&P Break-Even Loss Rate and the S&P Scenario Loss Rate for each Class;

(19) the Aggregate Principal Amount consisting of CLO Securities, including the Aggregate Principal Amount of each CLO Security with a Moody's Rating below "Baa3" or a Standard & Poor's Rating below "BBB-" and (b) the percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount of CLO Securities managed by any Servicer Entities; and

(20) such other information as the Trustee or the Servicer may reasonably request.

Upon receipt of each Monthly Report, the Servicer shall compare the information contained therein and described in clauses (1) through (19) above to the information contained in its records with respect to the Collateral and shall, within three Business Days after receipt of each such Monthly Report, notify the Issuer, the Collateral Administrator (if different from the Trustee) and the Trustee in writing of any discrepancies between the information contained in the Monthly Report and the information maintained by the Servicer with respect to the Collateral. If any discrepancy exists, the Issuer and the Servicer shall attempt to resolve the discrepancy. If such discrepancy cannot be promptly resolved, the Trustee shall cause the Independent Accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.6 hereof to review such Monthly Report and the Trustee's records to determine the cause of such discrepancy. If such review reveals an error in the Monthly Report or the Issuer's records, the Monthly Report or the Issuer's records shall be revised accordingly and, as so revised, shall be utilized in making all calculations pursuant to this Indenture. Each Rating Agency (in each case only so long as any Class of Notes is rated by it), Bear Stearns and the Servicer shall be notified in writing of any such revisions by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer.

After the end of the Revolving Period, the Monthly Report shall also contain a statement to the effect that it is not unusual for the eligibility criteria set forth in Section 12.2 hereof not to be satisfied following the Revolving Period as the Portfolio Collateral matures or is otherwise disposed of and principal on the Notes is paid down.

(b) Payment Date Accounting. With respect to each Calculation Date, the Issuer shall render or cause to be rendered an accounting (the "Note Valuation Report"), determined as of such Calculation Date, and delivered to the Trustee, the Paying and Transfer Agent, Bear Stearns, the Servicer, each Hedge Counterparty, the Collateral Administrator and each Rating Agency (but only so long as any Class of Notes is rated by it), not later than the Business Day prior to the Payment Date related to such Calculation Date. Upon receipt by the Trustee of a certificate in the form of Exhibit H, the Trustee shall make available the Note Valuation Report to the requesting Noteholder or Beneficial Owner. The Note Valuation Report shall contain the following information (based in part on information provided by the Servicer):

(1) The Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral as of the close of business on such Calculation Date, after giving effect to Collateral Principal Collections received during the related Due Period and applied to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral in accordance with the provisions of this Indenture, the sale or other disposition of each item of Portfolio Collateral during such Due Period and the Grant in favor of the Trustee of each item of Substitute Portfolio Collateral and Additional Portfolio Collateral during such Due Period.

(2) The Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes as of the Calculation Date and such Aggregate Principal Amount expressed as a percentage of the original Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes, and the amount of principal payments to be made on the Class A-1LA Notes on the Payment Date relating to such Calculation Date and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes after giving effect to such principal payments and expressed as a percentage of the original Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LA Notes.

(3) The Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LB Notes as of the Calculation Date and such Aggregate Principal Amount expressed as a percentage of the original Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LB Notes, and the amount of principal payments to be made on the Class A-1LB Notes on the Payment Date relating to such Calculation Date and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LB Notes after giving effect to such principal payments and expressed as a percentage of the original Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LB Notes

(4) The Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2L Notes as of the Calculation Date and such Aggregate Principal Amount expressed as a percentage of the original Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2L Notes, and the amount of principal payments to be made on the Class A-2L Notes on the Payment Date relating to such Calculation Date and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2L Notes after giving effect to such principal payments and expressed as a percentage of the original Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2L Notes.

(5) The Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes as of the Calculation Date and such Aggregate Principal Amount expressed as a percentage of the original Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes, and the amount of principal payments to be made on the Class A-3L Notes on the Payment Date relating to such Calculation Date and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes after giving effect to such principal payments and expressed as a percentage of the original Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes.

(6) The Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes as of the Calculation Date and such Aggregate Principal Amount expressed as a percentage of the original Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes, and the amount of principal payments to be made on the Class B-1L Notes on the Payment Date relating to such Calculation Date and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes after giving effect to such principal payments and expressed as a percentage of the original Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes.

(7) The Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-2L Notes as of the Calculation Date and such Aggregate Principal Amount expressed as a percentage of the original Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-2L Notes, and the amount of principal payments to be made on the Class B-2L Notes on the Payment Date relating to such Calculation Date and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-2L Notes after giving effect to such principal payments and expressed as a percentage of the original Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-2L Notes.

(8) The Periodic Interest Amount and the Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount, if any, for each Class of Notes (including the Note Component) for the Payment Date relating to such Calculation Date for the Payment Date relating to such Calculation Date and the Rated Balance and Rated Coupon (and any accrued and unpaid interest thereon) for the Combination Notes for the Payment Date relating to such Calculation Date.

(9) The Aggregate Principal Amount of the Combination Notes as of the Calculation Date and such Aggregate Principal Amount expressed as a percentage of the original Aggregate Principal Amount of the Combination Notes and the amount of principal payments to be made on the Combination Notes on the Payment Date relating to such Calculation Date and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Combination Notes after giving effect to such principal payments and expressed as a percentage of the original Aggregate Principal Amount of the Combination Notes.

(10) The Rated Balance of the Combination Notes as of such Calculation Date and payments made on account of such Rated Balance on the Payment Date relating to such Calculation Date.

(11) The Base Servicing Fee, the Additional Servicing Fee, the Supplemental Servicing Fee (if any), the Waived Servicing Fees (if any), the Trustee Administrative Expenses, the Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses, the Issuer Base Administrative Expenses, any replenishment of the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses, in each case including any amount with respect to any previous Payment Date that was not paid on a previous Payment Date relating to such Calculation Date on an itemized basis.

(12) The amount of any payment to be received from any Hedge Counterparty on the Payment Date relating to such Calculation Date and any proceeds from the sale of the rights to such payment received during the Due Period relating to such Calculation Date.

(11) For the Collection Account:

(a) the Balance in the Collection Account as of such Calculation Date;

(b) the amounts payable from the Collection Account pursuant to Article XI hereof on the Payment Date relating to such Calculation Date (in the aggregate and under each Section and subsection of Article XI hereof); and



(c) the Balance remaining in the Collection Account immediately after giving effect to all payments to be made on the Payment Date relating to such Calculation Date.

(12) For the Loan Funding Account, the Balance in the Loan Funding Account as of such Calculation Date, the amounts, if any, payable from the Loan Funding Account to fund amounts drawn under any Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan with respect to such Calculation Date and the amount, if any, transferred from the Loan Funding Account to the Collection Account as Collateral Principal Collections with respect to such Calculation Date.

(13) (A) The Overcollateralization Ratios and the Interest Coverage Ratio (including a break-down of the components of such ratios) and the results of the Overcollateralization Tests, the Interest Coverage Test and the amount of any Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement (which shall not be reported on a pass/fail basis) as of the close of business on such Calculation Date (after giving effect to any payments to be made on the Payment Date relating to such Calculation Date, other than payments of the Mandatory Redemption Price with respect to an O/C Redemption, if any, made pursuant to Section 9.2 hereof and Section 11.2 hereof), (B) if the Interest Coverage Test or any Overcollateralization Test is not met, the amount of O/C Redemption of each Class of Notes on the related Payment Date pursuant to Section 9.2 hereof that would be necessary on the related Payment Date in order to cause the Interest Coverage Test or such Overcollateralization Test to be met (after giving effect to all payments to be made on such Payment Date), (C) the results of the Interest Coverage Test and the Overcollateralization Tests after giving effect to such O/C Redemptions pursuant to Section 9.2 hereof and the other payments, if any, to be made on such Payment Date, (D) if a Rating Confirmation Failure has occurred, the amount of Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption of each Class of Notes on the related Payment Date pursuant to Section 9.2 hereof that would be necessary on the related Payment Date in order to receive a Rating Confirmation (after giving effect to all payments to be made on such Payment Date), and (E) if the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement is not met, the amount of cash that would be necessary on the related Payment Date to be applied in accordance with Section 11.1 in order to cause the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement to be met (after giving effect to all payments to be made on such Payment Date); *provided* that the Note Valuation Report need not contain information relating to the Interest Coverage Test or the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement with respect to the first Calculation Date.

(c) Noteholder Report. With respect to each Calculation Date, the Issuer shall render or cause to be rendered an accounting (the "Noteholder Report"), determined as of such Calculation Date, and completed not later than the Business Day preceding the Payment Date relating to such Calculation Date. The Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee, each Noteholder or Beneficial Owner (upon receipt by the Trustee of a certificate in the form of Exhibit H), each Rating Agency (but only so long as any Class of Notes is rated by such Rating Agency), the Paying and Transfer Agent, each Hedge Counterparty and the Servicer, a copy of the Noteholder Report promptly after such completion no later than the tenth day after such Calculation Date. The Noteholder Report shall contain the information contained in Section 10.5(b)(1) through (12) and Section 10.5(a)(1) through (19).

Each Noteholder Report shall contain the following statement: "Each holder of a Note (excluding any holder of a Note (other than a Class B-2L Note transferred after the Closing Date or a Combination Note) issued pursuant to Regulation S but including any holder of a Class B-2L Note transferred after the Closing Date or a Combination Note issued pursuant to Regulation S) or a Combination Note or any interest therein is required at all times to be "Qualified Institutional Buyer" within the meaning of Rule 144A ("Rule 144A") under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") who is also a "Qualified Purchaser" within the meaning of Section 3(c)(7) of the U.S. Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Investment Company Act") and each such holder (i) is not formed for the purpose of investing in the Notes (unless all of its beneficial owners are Qualified Purchasers), (ii) is not a dealer described in paragraph (a)(1)(ii) of Rule 144A (unless such holder owns and invests on a discretionary basis at least U.S. \$25 million in securities of issuers that are not affiliated persons of such dealer), (iii) is not a plan referred to in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(D) or (E) of Rule 144A or a trust fund referred to in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(F) of Rule 144A that holds the assets of such plan (unless investment decisions are made solely by the fiduciary, trustee or sponsor of such plan), (iv) each account for which it is holds Notes is holding Notes in at least the minimum denomination set forth in the Indenture and (v) will provide written notice of the foregoing and any other applicable transfer restrictions to any transferee of a Note or any interest therein. The Notes (excluding Notes (other than Class B-2L Notes transferred after the Closing Date and Combination Notes) issued pursuant to Regulation S but including Class B-2L Notes transferred after the Closing Date and Combination Notes issued pursuant to Regulation S) and the Combination Notes and any interest therein may only be transferred to a transferee that can make the foregoing representations and the Co-Issuers have the right, at any time, to force any holder of a Note who is not a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser to sell or redeem its Notes."

After the end of the Revolving Period, the Noteholder Report shall also contain a statement to the effect that it is not unusual for the eligibility criteria set forth in Section 12.2 hereof not to be satisfied following the Revolving Period as the Portfolio Collateral matures or is otherwise disposed of and principal on the Notes is paid down.

(d) Payment Date Instructions. The Note Valuation Report referred to in subsection (b) of this Section 10.5 shall constitute instructions to the Trustee to withdraw on the Payment Date relating to such Note Valuation Report the available funds from the Collection Account and make the payments set forth in the Note Valuation Report in the manner specified, and in accordance with the priorities established, in Article XI hereof.

(e) Optional Redemption Instructions. Not less than three Business Days after an Issuer Order electing an Optional Redemption of the Notes pursuant to Section 9.1 has been delivered to the Trustee, the Issuer shall compute the following information and provide such information in a statement (the "Redemption Date Statement") delivered to the Trustee, each Hedge Counterparty, the Servicer and the Rating Agencies:

(1) the amounts payable to the Trustee, the Paying and Transfer Agent, the Issuer and the Servicer pursuant to Sections 11.1(b) and (d);

(2) the amount in the Collection Account available for payment of the Optional Redemption Price; and

(3) the Optional Redemption Price.

(f) Tax Event Redemption Instructions. Not later than three Business Days after an Issuer Order electing a Tax Event Redemption of the Notes Pursuant to Section 9.5 has been delivered to the Trustee, the Issuer shall compute the following information and provide such information in a statement (also, a "Redemption Date Statement") delivered to the Trustee, the Servicer and the Rating Agencies.

(1) the amounts payable to the Trustee, the Issuer, the Paying and Transfer Agent and the Servicer pursuant to Sections 11.1(b) and (d);

(2) the amount in the Collection Account available for payment of the Tax Event Redemption Price; and

(3) the Tax Event Redemption Price.

(g) Appointment of Agent. The Issuer may appoint an administrator or other agent to perform its obligations to provide reports pursuant to this Article X and certain calculations pursuant to Article XII. Pursuant and subject to the terms of a collateral administration agreement (the "Collateral Administration Agreement") entered into or to be entered into among the Issuer, the Servicer and Investors Bank & Trust Company, the Issuer has appointed or shall appoint Investors Bank & Trust Company, as its initial agent for such purposes and Investors Bank & Trust Company, has accepted or shall accept such appointment and has agreed or shall agree to perform such obligations, as provided therein.

#### Section 10.6. Reports by Independent Accountants.

(a) The Issuer will appoint prior to the Effective Date, a nationally recognized firm of accountants as the firm or firms of Independent certified public accountants to prepare and deliver the reports or certificates of such accountants required by this Indenture. Upon any resignation by, or removal of, such firm, the Issuer shall promptly appoint a successor thereto that shall also be a firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized national reputation in the United States and for so long as any Notes are then rated, provide notice of such successor to each Rating Agency then rating any Notes. If the Issuer shall not have appointed a successor within 30 days of any firm resigning from the position of Independent certified public accountants to the Issuer, the Trustee shall promptly appoint a successor firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized national reputation in the United States and for so long as any Notes are then rated, provide notice of such successor to each Rating Agency then rating any Notes. The fees of such Independent certified public accountants and its successor shall be payable by the Issuer.

(b) On or before May 31 in 2008 and on or before May 31 in each year thereafter through 2012, the Issuer shall cause to be delivered to the Trustee, the Servicer and each Rating Agency, if any, then rating any Class of Notes a certificate (the "Accountants' Certificate") from the firm of Independent certified public accountants appointed by the Issuer

indicating (i) that such firm has reviewed the Note Valuation Reports and Redemption Date Statements relating to the Payment Dates in such period, (ii) that the calculations within such Note Valuation Reports and Redemption Date Statements have been performed in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture (except as otherwise noted in a statement), (iii) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral securing the Notes as of the Calculation Date relating to such Payment Dates and (iv) the procedures undertaken by such accountants to perform such calculations. In the event such firm requires the Trustee to agree to the procedures performed by such firm, the Servicer shall direct the Trustee in writing to so agree; it being understood and agreed that the Trustee will deliver such letter agreement in conclusive reliance upon the direction of the Servicer, and the Trustee makes no independent inquiry or investigation as to, and shall have no obligation or liability in respect of the sufficiency, validity or correctness of such procedures. Upon receipt by the Trustee of a certificate in the form of Exhibit H, the Trustee shall make available a copy of the Accountant's Certificate to the requesting Noteholder.

(c) Beginning with the year 2008, on or before (i) January 31 of each year or, (ii) if later, on or before any date in each year on which any of the information described below is required to be delivered to the Noteholders under the Code or any other applicable law, but, in any case, not later than March 1 of each year, the Issuer shall cause each Paying Agent in the United States to prepare and deliver a Form 1099 to each Noteholder and the Issuer shall provide or cause to be provided such other information as is requested by a Noteholder, which is necessary to permit such Holder to prepare and file any applicable U.S. income tax returns related to the most recently ended calendar year.

#### Section 10.7. Reports to Rating Agencies.

For so long as any Class of Notes is rated by a Rating Agency, the Issuer shall provide or cause to be provided to each Rating Agency then rating such Notes with a copy of each Monthly Report, each Note Valuation Report, each Noteholder Report, each Accountants' Certificate and any other notification delivered to any Noteholder pursuant to the provisions of this Indenture and with such additional information as such Rating Agency may from time to time reasonably request and the Issuer determines in its sole discretion may be obtained and provided without unreasonable burden or expense. In addition, upon receipt of actual knowledge thereof, the Trustee shall send to each Rating Agency notice of any Default set forth in Section 5.1 hereof. The Trustee will also give notice to the Rating Agencies, of any removal of the Servicer pursuant to Section 5.4(c). In addition, the Servicer shall provide to the Rating Agencies those notices related to the Issuer's purchase of Synthetic Securities that are contemplated by Section 12.10 (which notices, in the case of notices provided by the Servicer to Moody's, shall be sent to the attention of a "Managing Director" of Moody's CBO/CLO Group); and, if Standard & Poor's or Moody's so requests and if such requesting party did not rate the related Synthetic Securities or Securities Lending Agreements, the Servicer shall also provide to such requesting party a copy of the transaction documents in its possession, relating to all Synthetic Securities or Securities Lending Agreements. The Servicer shall also notify Standard & Poor's if more than 10% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of Portfolio Collateral are obligations of issuers domiciled outside the United States. The address of Standard & Poor's for purposes of notices and reports hereunder shall be as follows: 55 Water Street, New York, New York 10041-0003, (email: [cdo\\_surveillance@sandp.com](mailto:cdo_surveillance@sandp.com)), Attention: Structured Finance Ratings,

or such other address of which the Issuer is notified in writing by Standard & Poor's. The address of Moody's for purposes of notices and reports hereunder shall be as follows: 99 Church Street, New York, New York 10007, email: [cdomonitoring@moodys.com](mailto:cdomonitoring@moodys.com), Attention: CBO Monitoring Group or such other address of which the Issuer is notified in writing by Moody's.

## ARTICLE XI

### APPLICATION OF MONIES

#### Section 11.1. Disbursements of Monies from Collection Account.

Except as otherwise set forth in Section 10.2 hereof, disbursements of monies from the Closing Expense Account and the Collection Account shall be made at the following times and in the following order of priority:

(a) On the Closing Date, the Trustee shall pay, from the funds in the Closing Expense Account, the fees, commissions and expenses associated with the Closing (collectively, "Closing Expenses") as set forth in an Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee on the Closing Date; *provided* that any such Closing Expenses may in the alternative be paid on any date after the Closing Date and prior to the Payment Date in November 2007 from the Closing Expense Deposit in the Closing Expense Account pursuant to an Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee (which shall state that the amounts called for to be paid therein are Closing Expenses). All payments pursuant to Section 11.1 hereof may be made from the United States. The Issuer may appoint an agent or agents for purposes of making payment of expenses, fees and commissions to be paid on its behalf from outside the United States pursuant hereto and (each such person shall be considered, a "Paying Agent" hereunder).

(b) On each Payment Date (including the Final Maturity Date and if funds become available after the Final Maturity Date, on any date after the Final Maturity Date) and in accordance with the Note Valuation Report for the Calculation Date immediately preceding such Payment Date, the Trustee shall withdraw from the Collection Account (to the extent of the available funds therein excluding therefrom (I) during the Revolving Period, any Collateral Disposition Proceeds received during the Due Period relating to such Calculation Date to be applied by the Trustee during the related Due Period or the immediately succeeding Due Period as set forth in Section 12.4 hereof and (II) during the Revolving Period or Amortization Period, Collateral Principal Collections in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed purchase prices for Additional Portfolio Collateral with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment (as set forth in the notice from the Servicer to the Trustee) prior to the end of such Due Period for the purchase thereof, but has not settled such purchase by the end of such Due Period, as set forth in Section 11.3 hereof) an amount up to the Collateral Interest Collections and, to the extent the amount of the Collateral Interest Collections is not sufficient, an amount up to the Collateral Principal Collections, and payments received from any Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements, and shall make a disbursement in the following order of priority:

FIRST: To the Trustee for the payment in full of the Trustee Administrative Expenses for the related Due Period and any Trustee Administrative Expenses with respect to any previous Payment Date that were not paid on any previous Payment Date, and then to the Paying and Transfer Agent for the payment in full of the Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses for the related Due Period and any Preferred Shares Administrative Expenses with respect to any previous Payment Date that were not paid on any previous Payment Date;

SECOND: To the Issuer for the payment of Issuer Base Administrative Expenses with respect to the related Due Period and any Issuer Base Administrative Expenses with respect to a previous Payment Date that were not paid on a previous Payment Date;

THIRD: For the replenishment of the Expense Reimbursement Account up to an amount equal to U.S. \$50,000 to the extent any amount therein has paid the Issuer Base Administrative Expenses for the related Due Period and to the extent any amount so paid for any prior Due Period has not been so replenished; *provided however*, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the amounts set forth in clauses FIRST through this clause THIRD shall not exceed (i) \$250,000 per annum plus (ii) the greater of \$75,000 per annum and 0.0275% per annum of the Aggregate Par Amount on the related Calculation Date.

FOURTH: To the Servicer for the payment of the Base Servicing Fee with respect to such Payment Date and any Base Servicing Fee with respect to any previous Payment Date that was not paid on a previous Payment Date, and to the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend then due and any Class II Preferred Share Base Dividend with respect to any previous Payment Date that was not paid on a previous Payment Date.

FIFTH: To each Hedge Counterparty for the payment of amounts due under any Hedge Agreement (excluding any termination payment due under any such Hedge Agreement in respect of which respective Hedge Counterparty is the sole "Defaulting Party" or sole "Affected Party" as such terms are defined under the related Hedge Agreement), if applicable.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, any amounts to be paid to the Paying and Transfer Agent in its capacity as paying and transfer agent for the Preferred Shares pursuant to the Indenture will be delivered by the Trustee to the Paying and Transfer Agent for deposit in the Preferred Shares Collection Account in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement.

On the first Payment Date, any funds included in the Reserve Amount that are remaining after the Aggregate Base Fees and Expenses set forth above have been paid, shall be distributed in full as Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections or Adjusted Collateral Principal

Collections in accordance with the Priority of Payments set forth below. The Servicer shall, in its sole discretion, determine the amount, if any, of the remaining Reserve Amount that shall constitute Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections, and the amount, if any, of the remaining Reserve Amount that shall constitute Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections.

(c) On each Payment Date with respect to the **Revolving Period** and the **Amortization Period** in accordance with the Note Valuation Report for the Calculation Date immediately preceding such Payment Date, the Trustee shall withdraw from the Collection Account (to the extent of the available funds therein, excluding therefrom (I) during the Revolving Period or the Amortization Period, any Collateral Disposition Proceeds received during the Due Period relating to such Calculation Date to be applied by the Trustee during the related Due Period or the immediately succeeding Due Period as set forth in Section 12.4 hereof and (II) during the Revolving Period, Collateral Principal Collections in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed purchase prices for Additional Portfolio Collateral with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment (as set forth in the notice from the Servicer to the Trustee) prior to the end of such Due Period for the purchase thereof, but has not settled such purchase by the end of such Due Period, as set forth in Section 11.3 hereof) an amount equal to the Adjusted Collateral Collections and shall make the following disbursements:

(i) The Trustee shall apply such amounts constituting Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections (to the extent of available funds therefor) in the following order of priority:

FIRST: To the payment, *pro rata*, to the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class A-1LB Notes of an amount equal to the applicable Cumulative Interest Amount;

SECOND: To the payment to the Holders of the Class A-2L Notes of an amount equal to the applicable Cumulative Interest Amount;

THIRD: To the payment to the Holders of the Class A-3L Notes of an amount equal to the applicable Cumulative Interest Amount;

FOURTH: To the payment of principal as an O/C Redemption in the amount, if any, required to be paid in order to satisfy the Class A Overcollateralization Test and, on each Payment Date after the second Payment Date, the Interest Coverage Test, such amount to be paid first, to the Class A-1LA Notes; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes; third, to the Class A-2L Notes and fourth, to the Class A-3L Notes, in that order, until each such Class is paid in full, to the extent required to satisfy the Class A Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test;

FIFTH: To the payment of the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class B-1L Notes and such Payment Date;

SIXTH: To the payment of principal as an O/C Redemption in the amount, if any, required to be paid in order to satisfy the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test, such amount to be paid first, to the Class A-1LA Notes; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes; third, to the Class A-2L Notes; fourth, to the Class A-3L Notes; and fifth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class B-1L Notes and then to principal of the Class B-1L Notes, in that order, until each such Class is paid in full, to the extent required to satisfy the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test;

SEVENTH: To the payment of the Cumulative Interest Amount with respect to the Class B-2L Notes and such Payment Date;

EIGHTH: During the Revolving Period, to the payment of principal as Rating Confirmation Failure Redemption, the amount, if any, required to be paid in order to receive a Rating Confirmation, such amount to be paid first, to the Class A-1LA Notes; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes; third, to the Class A-2L Notes; fourth, to the Class A-3L Notes; fifth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class B-1L Notes and then to principal of the Class B-1L Notes; and sixth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class B-2L Notes and then to principal of the Class B-2L Notes, in that order, until each such Class is paid in full, to the extent required to receive a Rating Confirmation;

NINTH: To the payment of principal as an O/C Redemption in the amount, if any, required to be paid in order to satisfy the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test, such amount to be paid as follows: (a) 50% of available funds to the payment of principal on the Class B-2L Notes, and (b) 50% (or, after the Class B-2L Notes are paid in full, 100%) of available funds to the sequential payment of principal on the Notes, in amounts necessary to satisfy the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test on such Payment Date;

TENTH: (I) During the Revolving Period, on each Payment Date after the second Payment Date to the extent of available funds, *pro rata*, an amount equal to 35% of the funds available up to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement to be deposited into the Collection Account and applied to pay principal of the Class B-2L Notes until such Class is paid in full and an amount equal to 65% (or, after the Class B-2L Notes are paid in full, 100%) of the funds available up to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement for the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral (other than CLO Securities), as directed by the Servicer or the Issuer, pursuant to Section 11.3 hereof during the immediately succeeding Due Period and (II) during the Amortization Period to the extent of available funds, *pro rata*, an amount equal to 35% of the funds available up to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement



to be deposited into the Collection Account and applied to pay principal of the Class B-1L Notes until such Class is paid in full and an amount equal to 65% (or, after the Class B-1L Notes are paid in full, 100%) of the funds available up to the Additional Collateral Deposit Requirement to the payment of principal of the Notes in the order of priority described in clause SECOND of Section 11.1(c)(ii) below;

ELEVENTH: To the payment to the Default Swap Counterparty or any Hedge Counterparty, any Default Swap Counterparty Termination Payment or any termination payment due under any Hedge Agreement in respect of which the related Hedge Counterparty is the sole "Defaulting Party" or sole "Affected Party" thereunder as such terms are defined under the related Hedge Agreement;

TWELFTH: To the payment, *first* (a) to the Servicer the Additional Servicing Fee with respect to such Payment Date and then any Additional Servicing Fee with respect to any previous Payment Date (excluding any portion thereof included in any Cumulative Deferred Additional Servicing Fees or in any Waived Additional Servicing Fees) that was not paid on a previous Payment Date; *provided however*, the Servicer may at its option waive all or any portion of such Additional Servicing Fee, such amount so waived (the "Waived Additional Servicing Fee") to be applied to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral as directed by the Servicer pursuant to Section 11.3 hereof during the immediately succeeding Due Period, and (b) to the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend then due and unpaid and *second*, to the Holders of the Notes any due and unpaid Extension Bonus Payment;

THIRTEENTH: To the payment to the Issuer of Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses with respect to such Payment Date and any Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses with respect to any previous Payment Date that were not paid on a previous Payment Date;

FOURTEENTH: If the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares as of such Payment Date is less than 12%, to the pari passu payment to the Holders of all of the Preferred Shares, but only up to an amount that would cause the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares to equal 12%; and

FIFTEENTH: Any remaining amounts, (a) 20% to (x) the payment of the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date (excluding any Current Deferred Supplemental Servicing Fees or any Waived Supplemental Servicing Fees), and (y) the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Supplemental Dividend then due

and unpaid, and (b) 80% to the Holders of the Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, as a dividend thereon or as a redemption payment on the Redemption Date, as applicable; *provided however*, the Servicer may at its option waive all or any portion of such Supplemental Servicing Fee, such amount so waived (the "Waived Supplemental Servicing Fee") to be applied to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral as directed by the Servicer pursuant to Section 11.3 hereof during the immediately succeeding Due Period.

(ii) During the **Revolving Period**, the Trustee shall apply the Adjusted Collateral Principal Collections (to the extent of available funds therefor) in the following order of priority:

FIRST: To the payment of the amounts described in clauses FIRST through EIGHTH of Section 11.1(c)(i) hereof with respect to Collateral Interest Collections and the Revolving Period, in the order described therein, in each case to the extent such amounts have not been paid from Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections with respect to such Payment Date; *provided however* that, with respect to clause THIRD of Section 11.1(c)(i) above, the Class A-3L Notes shall be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount due to the Class A-3L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections but only to the extent this payment will not cause the failure of the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test, with respect to clause FIFTH of Section 11.1(c)(i) above, the Class B-1L Notes shall be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount due to the Class B-1L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections but only to the extent this payment will not cause the failure of the Class A Overcollateralization Test, and with respect to the payment described in clause SEVENTH of Section 11.1(c)(i) hereof, the Class B-2L Notes shall be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount due to the Class B-2L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections, but only to the extent this payment will not cause the failure of the Class A Overcollateralization Test or the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test;

SECOND: To the payment of principal as an O/C Redemption in the amount, if any, required to be paid in order to satisfy the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test, such amount to be paid as follows: first, to the Class A-1LA Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; third, to the Class A-2L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; fourth, to the Class A-3L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; fifth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class B-1L Notes and then to the Class B-1L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been

paid in full; and sixth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to Class B-2L Notes and then to the Class B-2L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full, in each case, to the extent such amounts have not been paid from Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections;

THIRD: To pay principal of the Notes in a Special Redemption, such amount to be paid first, (A) to the Class A-1LA Notes; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes; third, to the Class A-2L Notes; fourth, to the Class A-3L Notes; fifth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class B-1L Notes and then to principal of the Class B-1L Notes; and sixth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class B-2L Notes and then to principal of the Class B-2L Notes; and

FOURTH: As directed by the Servicer or the Issuer, to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral meeting the specified requirements no later than the last day of the Due Period relating to the Payment Date following such Payment Date (or, if no such direction is given by the Servicer or the Issuer, deposited by the Trustee in the Collection Account, such amounts to be applied in the manner described herein).

(iii) During the **Amortization Period**, the Trustee shall apply the Adjusted Collateral Principal Collections (to the extent of available funds therefor and including for purposes of this Section 11.1(c)(iii) any Collateral Disposition Proceeds (other than Collateral Disposition Proceeds received in connection with the sale of an item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral to be reinvested pursuant to Section 12.4(a)) received during the Due Period relating to such Calculation Date to be applied by the Trustee as set forth in this Section 11.1(c)(iii) in the following order of priority:

FIRST: To the payment of the amounts described in clauses FIRST through EIGHTH of Section 11.1(c)(i) hereof with respect to Collateral Interest Collections and the Revolving Period, in the order described therein, in each case to the extent such amounts have not been paid from Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections with respect to such Payment Date; *provided however* that, with respect to clause THIRD of Section 11.1(c)(i) above, the Class A-3L Notes shall be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount due to the Class A-3L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections but only to the extent this payment will not cause the failure of the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test, with respect to clause FIFTH of Section 11.1(c)(i) above, the Class B-1L Notes shall be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount due to the Class B-1L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections but only to the extent this payment will not cause the failure of the Class A Overcollateralization Test, and with respect to the payment

described in clause SEVENTH of Section 11.1(c)(i) hereof, the Class B-2L Notes shall be entitled to receive an amount sufficient to pay the Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount due to the Class B-2L Notes for such Payment Date from Collateral Principal Collections, but only to the extent this payment will not cause the failure of the Class A Overcollateralization Test or the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Test;

SECOND: To the payment of principal as an O/C Redemption in the amount, if any, required to be paid in order to satisfy the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test, such amount to be paid as follows: first, to the Class A-1LA Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; third, to the Class A-2L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; fourth, to the Class A-3L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; fifth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class B-1L Notes and then to the Class B-1L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; and sixth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to Class B-2L Notes and then to the Class B-2L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full, in each case, to the extent such amounts have not been paid from Adjusted Collateral Interest Collections;

THIRD: So long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing and as directed by the Servicer or the Issuer, to the purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral from the proceeds of Collateral Principal Collections from any unscheduled prepayment or to the purchase of Substitute Portfolio Collateral from the sales proceeds of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, meeting the specified requirements with respect to the Amortization Period no later than ninety days after receipt of such amounts (or, if no such direction is given by the Servicer or the Issuer, deposited by the Trustee in the Collection Account, to be applied in the manner described herein); and

FOURTH: To pay the Notes as follows: first, to the Class A-1LA Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; second, to the Class A-1LB Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; third, to the Class A-2L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; fourth, to the Class A-3L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; fifth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to the Class B-1L Notes and then to principal of the Class B-1L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full; and sixth, to any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amount with respect to Class B-2L Notes and then to principal of the Class B-2L Notes until the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof has been paid in full.

(d) On the **Final Maturity Date** (including the Optional Redemption Date, the Tax Event Redemption Date or any other Payment Date on which the Aggregate Principal Amounts of the Notes is paid in full) and, if funds become available after the Final Maturity Date, on any other date after the Final Maturity Date, and in accordance with the Note Valuation Report for the Calculation Date immediately preceding such Payment Date (or in the case of an Optional Redemption or a Tax Event Redemption, in accordance with the related Redemption Date Statement), the Trustee shall withdraw from the Collection Account an amount equal to the Adjusted Collateral Collections (including Collateral Disposition Proceeds) and from the Loan Funding Account any amount on deposit therein and shall make the following disbursements in the following order of priority:

FIRST: To the payment, first, *pro rata*, to the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes and the Class A-1LB Notes of an amount equal to the applicable Cumulative Interest Amount, and second, if the Final Maturity Date is also an Optional Redemption Date, to pay the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount, if any, to the Class A-1LA Notes;

SECOND: To the payment of principal of the Class A-1LA Notes in amounts not to exceed the Aggregate Principal Amounts of the Class A-1LA Notes, and then to the payment of principal of the Class A-1LB Notes in an amount not to exceed the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1LB Notes;

THIRD: To the payment to the Holders of the Class A-2L Notes of an amount equal to the applicable Cumulative Interest Amount;

FOURTH: To the payment of principal of the Class A-2L Notes in an amount not to exceed the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2L Notes;

FIFTH: To the payment to the Holders of the Class A-3L Notes of an amount equal to the applicable Cumulative Interest Amount;

SIXTH: To the payment of principal of the Class A-3L Notes in an amount not to exceed the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-3L Notes;

SEVENTH: To the payment of the Holders of the Class B-1L Notes of an amount equal to the applicable Cumulative Interest Amount;

EIGHTH: To the payment of principal of the Class B-1L Notes in an amount not to exceed the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes;

NINTH: To the payment of the Holders of the Class B-2L Notes of an amount equal to the applicable Cumulative Interest Amount;

TENTH: To the payment of principal of the Class B-2L Notes in an amount not to exceed the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-2L Notes;

ELEVENTH: To the payment of any Default Swap Counterparty Termination Payments to the Default Swap Counterparty or any termination payment due under any Hedge Agreement to a Hedge Counterparty in respect of which such Hedge Counterparty is the sole "Defaulting Party" or sole "Affected Party" thereunder, as such terms are defined under the related Hedge Agreement;

TWELFTH: *First*, (a) to the Servicer the Additional Servicing Fee with respect to such Payment Date and then any Additional Servicing Fee with respect to any previous Payment Date (excluding any portion thereof included in any Waived Additional Servicing Fee) and (b) to the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Additional Dividend then due and unpaid and *second*, to the Holders of the Notes any due and unpaid Extension Bonus Payment;

THIRTEENTH: To the payment to the Issuer of amounts due the Issuer for Issuer Excess Administrative Expenses and any such amounts that were due on any prior Payment Date but remain unpaid;

FOURTEENTH: If the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares as of such Payment Date is less than 12%, to the pari passu payment to the Holders of all of the Preferred Shares, but only up to an amount that would cause the Internal Rate of Return of the Preferred Shares to equal 12%; and

FIFTEENTH: Any remaining amounts, (a) 20% to (x) the payment of the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date (excluding any Waived Supplemental Servicing Fees), and (y) the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, the Class II Preferred Share Supplemental Dividend then due and unpaid, and (b) 80% to the Holders of the Preferred Shares in accordance with the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, as a dividend thereon or as a redemption payment on the Redemption Date, as applicable.

The obligation to pay the foregoing amounts on the Final Maturity Date is absolute and unconditional, but recourse therefor will be limited to the Trust Estate.

(e) Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, with respect to Adjusted Collateral Collections held in the Collection Account in Eligible Investments pending application to purchase Portfolio Collateral, any such amounts not used to purchase Portfolio Collateral by the last day of the Due Period next succeeding

the Due Period in which such amounts were collected may be used to purchase Portfolio Collateral in subsequent Due Periods in accordance with Section 11.3 hereof (until otherwise applied pursuant to this Section 11.1).

(f) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Section 11.1, upon the direction of the Servicer (and in the time and manner directed by the Servicer), Payment Date Equity Securities may be distributed on any Payment Date, in lieu of cash on any Payment Date as follows:

(i) Payment Date Equity Securities will be paid as Collateral Interest Collections in accordance with Section 11.1 with respect to the Preferred Shares, and upon such payment, the aggregate amount of Collateral Interest Collections distributable to the Holders of the Preferred Shares on such Payment Date will be reduced by the value of such Payment Date Equity Securities. Payment Date Equity Securities distributed on any Payment Date shall be distributed to the Holders of the Preferred Shares in the same manner as Collateral Interest Collections would be distributable to such Holders of Preferred Shares on such Payment Date and subject to the same restriction as to payment set out in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement.

(ii) In calculating the amounts of Collateral Interest Collections and Collateral Principal Collections for such Payment Date, Collateral Interest Collections in an amount equal to the value of Payment Date Equity Securities distributed to the Holders of the Preferred Shares shall be recharacterized as Collateral Principal Collections and disbursed in accordance with Sections 11.1(b) and 11.1(c) of the Indenture.

Section 11.2. Mandatory Redemption With Respect to Overcollateralization Tests, Interest Coverage Test and Rating Confirmation Failure

On any applicable Payment Date with respect to which an Overcollateralization Test (other than with respect to the failure of the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test) or the Interest Coverage Test (as calculated in the Note Valuation Report for the Calculation Date immediately preceding such Payment Date), would not be met (but for this Section 11.2) or, during the Revolving Period, a Rating Confirmation Failure has occurred and is continuing, the Issuer shall redeem the Notes (or, in the case of the Class B-1L Notes and the Class B-2L Notes, pay any Periodic Rate Shortfall Amounts and then redeem the Notes pursuant to Section 9.2 hereof), and the Trustee shall pay to the Holders thereof (to be applied against the principal amount thereof) pursuant to the applicable provisions of Section 11.1 hereof, an aggregate amount necessary to cause each of the Overcollateralization Tests to be met as of such Calculation Date, in the case of the Interest Coverage Test, to cause such test to have been met as of such Calculation Date had such redemption been made on the immediately preceding Payment Date or to cause a Rating Confirmation to be received by the Issuer, as applicable. On any applicable Payment Date the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, 50% of available Interest Proceeds will be applied to pay principal on the Class B-2L Notes and 50% (or, after the Class B-2L Notes are paid in full, 100%) of available Interest Proceeds will be applied sequentially to pay principal on the Notes according to the priorities described herein until the

Class B-2L Overcollateralization Test is satisfied. In addition, Principal Proceeds will be applied sequentially to pay principal on the Notes, as set forth in clause SECOND of Section 11.1(c)(i) and 11.1(c)(ii) herein.

Section 11.3. [Purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral](#)

(a) The Issuer may purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral on any Business Day during the Revolving Period for inclusion in the Trust Estate in an amount permitted pursuant to the applicable subsection of Section 11.1 hereof subject to the conditions set forth in this Section 11.3. Upon receipt by the Trustee of a Servicer Order with respect thereto, Collateral Principal Collections (or Collateral Interest Collections deposited to the Collection Account pursuant to clause TENTH of Section 11.1(c)(i) or deposited to the Collection Account on account of any Waived Servicing Fees), collected during a Due Period (other than Collateral Disposition Proceeds) may be paid out of the Collection Account by the Trustee on any Business Day during such Due Period or the immediately succeeding Due Period for the purpose of purchasing such Additional Portfolio Collateral specified in such Servicer Order; *provided* that as of such date the following conditions shall have been satisfied:

(i) the Balance of the Collection Account remaining after giving effect to any such purchase of Additional Portfolio Collateral shall equal or exceed the Periodic Reserve Amount with respect to the Payment Date relating to such Due Period as shown on the Note Valuation Report for the prior Payment Date;

(ii) (1) each Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test are satisfied and (2) the Collateral Quality Tests and the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 hereof are satisfied or if any of the Collateral Quality Tests or the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 is not satisfied, the degree of compliance with such criteria would not be diminished; *provided however*, with respect to Additional Portfolio Collateral purchased with Unscheduled Principal Proceeds, if any, if the Overcollateralization Tests or the Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied as set forth in clause (1), the degree of compliance with such tests would not be diminished; *provided, however*, that Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral consisting of CLO Securities may not be purchased with available funds during the period from the August 2011 Payment Date through the August 2012 Payment Date unless each of the Class B-1L Overcollateralization Ratio and the Class B-2L Overcollateralization Ratio are at least equal to levels as of the Effective Date; and

(iii) the Trustee shall have received (a) a certificate of the Servicer dated as of the date of the purchase and the Grant of such Additional Portfolio Collateral to the effect that such purchase is in compliance with the requirements of this Section 11.3 and Section 12.5(a) hereof, and (b) the certificate required pursuant to Section 12.2 hereof.

(b) For purposes of calculating the Collections for this Section 11.3 (and the Balance in the Collection Account for purposes of subsection (a) hereof), Collections shall be deemed to include, as of any date of determination, the sum of 100% of all cash collections actually received in respect of the Portfolio Collateral during such Due Period as of such date of



determination and 100% of all Scheduled Distributions to be received (including those which are reasonably expected to be received) in respect of the Portfolio Collateral during such Due Period (excluding, however, any Scheduled Distributions to be received with respect to an item of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral or an item of Equity Portfolio Collateral during such Due Period).

#### Section 11.4. Trust Account

All monies held by the Trustee in the Collection Account, the Initial Deposit Account, the Closing Expense Account, the Loan Funding Account or the Expense Reimbursement Account pursuant to the provisions of this Indenture, and not used to purchase Portfolio Collateral or Eligible Investments as herein provided, shall be deposited in one or more trust accounts, established in the name of the Trustee, as trustee of the trust created pursuant hereto for the benefit of the Holders of Notes and other Secured Parties hereunder; *provided* that to the extent funds deposited in such accounts exceed the amounts insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, such excess shall be used to purchase Eligible Investments (pursuant to and as provided in Section 10.2 hereof). All monies held in the trust accounts described in the first sentence of this Section 11.4 shall be held as part of the Trust Estate subject to the provisions of this Indenture.

#### Section 11.5. Waived Servicing Fees.

If the Trustee receives written notification from the Servicer at least four Business Days prior to any Payment Date (other than the Final Payment Date) that it has elected to waive any portion of its Additional Servicing Fee and/or Supplemental Servicing Fee, the Trustee shall waive the payment of all or a portion of any such fees payable to the Servicer on such Payment Date as set forth in such notice from the Servicer (any such waived amount on such Payment Date being the "Waived Additional Servicing Fee" or the "Waived Supplemental Servicing Fee", as applicable, and together, the "Waived Servicing Fees"). Any such Waived Servicing Fees shall be used to purchase Additional Portfolio Collateral as described in Section 11.3. The Servicer shall have no interest in and no reimbursement rights with respect to any Waived Servicing Fees.

## ARTICLE XII

### SALE OF PORTFOLIO COLLATERAL; SUBSTITUTION

#### Section 12.1. Sale of Portfolio Collateral

(a) Provided that no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing and subject to the satisfaction of the conditions specified in Section 10.3 hereof and the restrictions in this Article, the Servicer may direct the Trustee, by Servicer Order, to sell, and the Trustee shall release (or cause to be released) from the lien of this Indenture and sell in the manner directed by the Servicer, any Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, Equity Portfolio Collateral, Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral or Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral (as described in such direction) so long as, with respect to an item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral or Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, the Servicer certifies to the Trustee, as applicable, that:

(i) in the case of an item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral (including in connection with a Portfolio Improvement Exchange), in writing before the sale, that the Servicer has identified one or more specific manners in which it will be able, in compliance with the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 and the other requirements of Article XII (and in connection with a Portfolio Improvement Exchange, the requirements set forth in the definition of such term), to cause the Issuer to purchase with the applicable Collateral Disposition Proceeds net of accrued interest and costs, no later than the end of the immediately succeeding Due Period (it being understood that such identification shall not be considered either a requirement or an assurance that any specified purchase will be consummated), one or more items of Substitute Portfolio Collateral having an Aggregate Principal Balance equal to or greater than the Principal Balance of such Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral; and

(ii) in the case of an item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, after giving effect to such sale and the subsequent purchase described in (a) above, the Servicer is required to certify that it reasonably believes that (x) either the Collateral Quality Tests and the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 hereof are satisfied or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests or criteria is not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith would not be diminished and (y) either the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test are satisfied or if any Overcollateralization Test or the Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, the degree of compliance with such tests would not be diminished.

(b) An item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral may be sold at any time, subject to the Sale Restriction Condition as set forth below. Following any sale of a Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral pursuant to this Section 12.1(a), at the direction of the Servicer during the Revolving Period, the Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase additional Portfolio Collateral (to the extent the purchase is in the best interest of the Issuer) with an Aggregate Principal Amount at least equal to the sale proceeds received by the Issuer with respect to the Portfolio Collateral sold. For this purpose, the Aggregate Principal Amount of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount.

(c) Notwithstanding any term hereof to the contrary and *provided* that no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing and subject to compliance with the conditions specified in Section 10.3 hereof, any Portfolio Collateral may be sold upon delivery to the Trustee of a certificate of the Servicer to the effect that it has reasonably determined, which may be based upon the advice of an opinion of counsel (a copy of which opinion shall be included with such certificate), that such Portfolio Collateral is, or may become, subject to a withholding or other similar tax (or to an increased rate of withholding or other similar tax). Further, notwithstanding anything to the contrary stated herein, the Servicer may direct the sale of an item of Portfolio Collateral that was CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral or Discount Portfolio Collateral at the time of purchase only if it constitutes Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral or Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, is sold in connection with the Optional Redemption of Notes in whole or if the Servicer reasonably expects that the sale and any related purchase of Substitute Portfolio Collateral will restore compliance with any of the Interest Coverage Test, the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 or the Overcollateralization Tests that would be failed or not satisfied in the absence of such sale and purchase.

(d) During any period after the first Due Period if a Sale Restriction Condition occurs, the Issuer shall send a notice to the Trustee and the Holders of the Notes to the effect that, for so long as the applicable Sale Restriction Condition exists, unless the Holders of at least 60% in Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes elect to retain the guidelines in effect on the Closing Date for sales of an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral or Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, as applicable, (i) no item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral may be sold unless (A) the rating of the obligor or of any debt or securities issued by the obligor under such an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral has been lowered, withdrawn or put on any "credit watch" list for possible downgrade (or similar list) with negative implications by S&P, Moody's or Fitch or (B) such an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral satisfies the Credit Risk Criteria and is not objected to by the Holders of more than 60% in Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes within forty-five (45) days of the date of such notice, or such later date as extended by the Trustee at the direction of the Servicer *provided* that in making such determination to sell an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral may only be used as corroboration of other bases for such determination or (ii) no item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral may be sold unless such item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral satisfies the Credit Improved Criteria and is not objected to by the Holders of more than 60% in Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes within forty-five (45) days of the date of such notice, or such later date as extended by the Trustee at the direction of the Servicer *provided*, that in making such determination to sell such item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, a reduction in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral may only be utilized as corroboration or other bases for such judgment.

(e) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth above, the Servicer may at any time direct the Trustee to sell any item of Portfolio Collateral that (i) was obtained as a result of any reorganization or restructuring of any Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral or other Portfolio Collateral of an issuer under financial distress, or (ii) does not comply with the criteria set forth in Section 12.2.

Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, no acquisition or disposition of Portfolio Collateral or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) shall be effected by or on behalf of the Issuer for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes.

Notwithstanding the forgoing, if there is no appointment of a successor Servicer with 90 days after the resignation or termination of the Servicer, any sales or disposition of Portfolio Collateral shall be limited to Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral and Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and Equity Portfolio Collateral; *provided* that such restriction on the sale or disposition of Portfolio Collateral shall not apply if the Portfolio Collateral is being liquidated in whole or in part in connection with an acceleration or early termination of the Notes.

## Section 12.2. [Eligibility Criteria and Replacement Restrictions](#)

Subject to Section 3.4 (with respect to Original Portfolio Collateral) in connection with dates occurring prior to the Effective Date, a security to be Granted to the Trustee after the Closing Date for inclusion in the Trust Estate as an item of Portfolio Collateral will be eligible

for purchase by the Issuer and inclusion in the Trust Estate only if, as of the date of such Grant of such security the following conditions are met, as certified to the Trustee by Servicer Order, the Overcollateralization Tests, the Interest Coverage Test and the criteria set forth below in this Section 12.2 hereof are satisfied or if one of such tests or criteria is not satisfied, the degree of compliance with such tests or criteria would not be diminished except as otherwise required by Sections 11.3 and 12.4. In addition, if a Suspension Trigger Event is in effect, a majority of the Controlling Class may deliver notice to the Issuer directing the Issuer to suspend any purchases of additional items for inclusion in the Trust Estate as an item of Portfolio Collateral. Such suspension shall automatically terminate once a Suspension Trigger Event is no longer in effect.

(a) Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor. The Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor Test is satisfied. For purposes of the Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor Test, the "Standard & Poor's Rating" of any item of Portfolio Collateral or Eligible Investment shall be as set forth in Schedule D hereto. The Standard & Poor's CDO Monitor Test is not applicable and does not have to be satisfied or maintained when reinvesting the proceeds of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral or Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral.

(b) Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test. The Minimum Average Recovery Rate Test is satisfied.

(c) Moody's Asset Correlation Test and Moody's Weighted Average Rating Test. The Moody's Asset Correlation Test, the Moody's Weighted Average Rating Test and the Moody's Weighted Average Rating Test for CLO Securities are satisfied.

(d) Weighted Average Coupon Test; Weighted Average Margin Test; Weighted Average Life Requirement.

- (i) The Weighted Average Coupon Test is satisfied.
- (ii) The Weighted Average Margin Test is satisfied.
- (iii) The Weighted Average Life Requirement is satisfied.

(e) Limitation on Non-U.S. Debt. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of such Portfolio Collateral:

- (i) not more than 10% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligors;
- (ii) not more than 10% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligors in any single Group A Country;
- (iii) not more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligors in all Group B Countries;

(iv) not more than 2% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor in any single Group B Country;

(v) not more than 2.5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor in all jurisdictions that are not Group A Countries or Group B Countries; and

(vi) not more than 1% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Loans that are obligations of Permitted Non-U.S. Obligor in any single jurisdiction that is not a Group A Country or Group B Country.

(f) Rating. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral: (i) at least 20% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate must be obligations of issuers having at least one class of indebtedness actually rated by Moody's (either publicly or privately) and (ii) at least 90% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate must be obligations of issuers having at least one class of indebtedness actually rated by S&P (either publicly or privately).

(g) CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral Limitation. The proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral may not increase the Aggregate Principal Amount of CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate to more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount; *provided* that the Issuer may purchase CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral which would increase the Aggregate Principal Amount of CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral in the Trust Estate above 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount with the proceeds of CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral; and *provided further* that no CLO Securities may be included in the determination of this CCC/Caa Portfolio Collateral Limitation.

(h) Limitation on CLO Securities. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, (i) not more than 35% of the Aggregate Par Amount may be CLO Securities; (ii) not more than 10% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of CLO Securities that have a Moody's Rating below "Baa3" or an S&P Rating below "BBB-"; *provided* that not more than 2% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of a single CLO Security with such ratings; *provided further* that not more than 2.75% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of a single CLO Security having a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" or above or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" or above; (iii) not more than 4.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of CLO Securities of a single manager which shall not be any of the Servicer Entities, (iv) not more than 5.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of CLO Securities managed by any of the Servicer Entities; *provided* that not more than 1.5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of CLO Securities of a single issuer serviced or managed by the Servicer, and (v) no more than 3% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of "pay as you go" Synthetic Securities; *provided further*, that no CLO Securities may be purchased after August 1, 2012 and after the expiration of the Revolving Period, unless an Extension shall occur in

which case CLO Securities may be purchased during the full period of such Extension in accordance with all the criteria and restrictions provided herein that are applicable during the Revolving Period.

(i) Limitation on Semiannual Portfolio Collateral. After the Effective Date, after giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, no more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may include items of Portfolio Collateral that provide for the periodic payment in cash of interest less frequently than quarterly, but not less frequently than semiannually.

(j) Limitation on Participations, Synthetic Securities and Non-U.S. Portfolio Loans. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Substitute Portfolio Collateral or Additional Portfolio Collateral, no more than 20% of the Aggregate Par Amount may be Participations, Synthetic Securities, Securities Lending Agreements or Portfolio Loans that are obligations of non-U.S. entities which are not in a Group A Country. Further, no Participation may be purchased from any Selling Institution (including for this purpose the seller of any participation and the seller of any sub-participation) rated below "A" by S&P or "A2" by Moody's. In addition, the table below generally describes limitations on (i) the percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount which consist of Synthetic Securities related to the long-term debt rating of the Synthetic Security Counterparty, (ii) the percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount which consists of Participations related to the long-term debt rating of the related Selling Institution, and (iii) the limitations on the percentage of the Aggregate Par Amount which consists of Participations and Synthetic Securities in the aggregate related to the long-term debt rating of the Selling Institution or Synthetic Security Counterparty, as the case may be:

Rating (S&P/Moody's)	Individual Synthetic Security Counterparty	Aggregate Synthetic Security Counterparty		Securities Lending Counterparty
	Limit	Individual Participation Selling Institution Limit	and Participation Selling Institution Limit	
AAA/Aaa	20%	20%	20%	20%
AA+/Aa1	10%	10%	20%	10%
AA/Aa2	10%	10%	17.5%	10%
AA-/Aa3	10%	10%	15%	10%
A+/A1	5%	5%	10%	5%
A/A2	5%	5%	7.5%	5%

*provided*, that no more than 3% of the Aggregate Par Amount may be Synthetic Securities consisting of Default Swaps. For purposes of the foregoing, the limitations shall be calculated separately for each of Standard & Poor's and Moody's and each such limitation must be satisfied.

(k) Limitation on Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral. No more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may be Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral.

(l) Portfolio Loans. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, (i) at least 65% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate must be Portfolio Loans (including

Synthetic Securities, the Reference Obligations of which are loans); and (ii) not more than 10% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate may be Portfolio Loans that are not Senior Secured Loans (including Synthetic Securities, the Reference Obligations of which are loans).

(m) No Event of Default. No Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing.

(n) Industry Category Concentration. (i) No more than 8% of the Aggregate Par Amount is in any one Standard & Poor's Industry Category; *provided however*, in the case of three (3) Standard & Poor's Industry Categories, up to 12% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Collateral that are obligations of obligors in any one Standard & Poor's Industry Category, and (ii) no more than 32% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of items of Portfolio Collateral that are obligations of obligors in any three Standard & Poor's Industry Categories.

(o) Original Issue Size. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, at least 80% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate will be Portfolio Loans and CLO Securities that are part of a senior credit facility whose aggregate original principal amount (whether or not funded and including all tranches thereunder) is not less than U.S.\$100,000,000. No item of Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate will be CLO Securities that are part of an issuer's aggregate issuance whose aggregate original principal amount (including all tranches thereunder) is less than U.S.\$100,000,000. No item of Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate will be Portfolio Loans that are part of a senior credit facility whose aggregate original principal amount (whether or not funded and including all tranches thereunder) is less than \$50,000,000.

(p) Issuer Concentration. (i) After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Loan, no more than 1.5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may represent obligations of any single obligor, *provided* that obligations of not more than five obligors of Portfolio Loans may represent no more than 2.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount and (ii) after giving effect to the proposed purchase of any CLO Security, no more than 2.75% of the Aggregate Par Amount may represent obligations of any single obligor.

(q) Limitations on Step-Up Bonds. No more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may include step-up bonds.

(r) Delayed Drawdown Loans and Revolving Loans. After giving effect to the proposed purchase of any Portfolio Collateral, no more than 5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of Delayed Drawdown Loans and no more than 7.5% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of Revolving Loans; *provided* that no more than 10% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of Delayed Drawdown Loans and Revolving Loans in the aggregate.

(s) DIP Loans. No more than 5.0% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of DIP Loans. Each DIP Loan must be assigned a formal or estimated rating by Moody's and S&P.

(t) Collateral Obligations Loaned under Securities Lending Agreements. No more than 20% of the Aggregate Par Amount may include Portfolio Collateral subject to any Securities Lending Agreement pursuant to Section 7.19.

(u) PIK Bonds. No more than 35% of the Aggregate Par Amount may consist of PIK Bonds.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Section 12.2, if the Portfolio Collateral to be purchased is to be purchased with the Collateral Disposition Proceeds of the disposition of one or more assets that is not an item of Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, Portfolio Collateral sold pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange or Portfolio Collateral that has become subject to withholding tax, the purchase of the proposed item of Portfolio Collateral must (i) restore compliance with a Collateral Quality Test, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test or a concentration limitation set forth in this Section 12.2 (or bring the Portfolio Collateral closer to compliance with any such test or limitation) not then satisfied or (ii) on a net basis improve the quality of the Portfolio Collateral as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests and concentration limitations and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and clause (ii) without causing any other Collateral Quality Test, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test or concentration limitation to be violated or significantly increasing the likelihood of such a violation in the future.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 12.2 and Section 11.3, if the Issuer or the Servicer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase an item of Portfolio Collateral to be included in the Trust Estate and at the time of such commitment such item of Portfolio Collateral complied with the definition of Portfolio Collateral and each of the foregoing criteria in this Section 12.2, then the Issuer may consummate the purchase of such item of Portfolio Collateral notwithstanding that such item of Portfolio Collateral fails to comply with the definition of Portfolio Collateral and such criteria on the date of settlement, *provided* that the agreed to settlement date shall not be more than thirty (30) days after the commitment to acquire such item of Portfolio Collateral or, if settlement occurs more than 30 days following the commitment, such item of Portfolio Collateral satisfies the criteria of this Section 12.2 as of the date of settlement.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 12.2 and Section 11.3, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed, except for purposes of the Granting Clauses, to have purchased or sold (as the case may be) any Portfolio Collateral as of the date on which the Issuer delivers to the Trustee a commitment to purchase or sell (as the case may be) such items of Portfolio Collateral, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to receive or sell (as the case may be), and requiring the purchaser to purchase (in the case of a sale), such Portfolio Collateral and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have purchased or sold (as the case may be) such Portfolio Collateral on such date. Under the circumstances described in the immediately preceding sentence, if the transaction contemplated



by the commitment referred to therein does not settle on or before the thirtieth (30th) day following the scheduled settlement date, the deemed purchase or sale shall be deemed not to have occurred.

Further, notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 12.2 and Section 11.3, any certifications or other documents required to be delivered by the Servicer or the Issuer in connection with the purchase or sale of any item of Portfolio Collateral during the Revolving Period may be delivered by the Issuer or the Servicer on the settlement date for such item of Portfolio Collateral even if such date occurs after the Revolving Period.

### Section 12.3. [Sale of Portfolio Collateral Subject to Offer or Call](#)

(a) The Servicer may only direct the Trustee to sell an item of Portfolio Collateral that is the subject of an Offer or call for redemption, if together with its direction to sell such security, the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that the sales price for such Security is equal to or greater than 1% of the price available pursuant to such Offer or call and such sale will be treated as if the Offer or call were consummated for purposes of determining the Collections for the Due Period relating to the date on which such sale occurs.

(b) If an item of Portfolio Collateral becomes subject to an Exchange Offer after it has been purchased by the Issuer, the Servicer will be permitted to take such action with respect to the Underlying Instrument or the issuer thereof as may be required to convert such item of Portfolio Collateral into an item of Equity Portfolio Collateral.

### Section 12.4. [Purchase of Substitute Portfolio Collateral](#)

(a) Upon receipt by the Trustee of a Servicer Order with respect thereto, the Collateral Disposition Proceeds received during any Due Period during the Revolving Period may be paid out of the Collection Account, on any Business Day during such Due Period or the immediately succeeding Due Period, for the purpose of purchasing one or more items of Substitute Portfolio Collateral for inclusion in the Trust Estate in an amount not to exceed the amount of such proceeds and specified in such Servicer Order; *provided* that the Trustee shall have received (i) a certificate of the Servicer dated as of the date of the purchase and the Grant of such Substitute Portfolio Collateral to the effect that such purchase is in compliance with the requirements of this Section 12.4 and Section 12.5(a) hereof and (ii) the certificate required pursuant to Section 12.2 hereof.

(b) In addition to the requirements set forth in 12.4(a), in connection with Substitute Portfolio Collateral purchased with Collateral Disposition Proceeds from the sale of Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, each of the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Test are satisfied, in each case both before and after giving effect to such purchase.

(c) In connection with a sale of an item of Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral after the Revolving Period or the receipt of Collateral Principal Collections due to an unscheduled prepayment after the Revolving Period, the Servicer may enter into commitments to apply such Collateral Disposition Proceeds or such unscheduled prepayments (net of accrued interest and costs) to the purchase of Portfolio Loans as either Additional Portfolio Collateral or Substitute Portfolio Collateral having an Aggregate Principal Amount equal to or greater than the

Principal Balance of the original item of Portfolio Collateral within 90 days of receipt of such proceeds, so long as the Servicer certifies as of the date of purchase that it reasonably believes at the time of such commitment that, after giving effect to such sale and subsequent purchase, (A) each of the Overcollateralization Tests and the collateral criteria described in Section 12.2 would be satisfied and the Interest Coverage Test was satisfied for the most recent Payment Date, (B) such Portfolio Loan to be purchased has a Moody's Rating equal to or higher than the Moody's Rating of the original item of Portfolio Collateral, (C) such Portfolio Loan to be purchased has an S&P Rating equal to or higher than the S&P Rating of the original item of Portfolio Collateral, (D) such Portfolio Loan to be purchased has a stated maturity on or prior to the final maturity of such original item of Portfolio Collateral and (E) neither Rating Agency has reduced or withdrawn (and not restored) the rating assigned by it on the Closing Date to any Class of Notes.

Section 12.5. Conditions Applicable to all Transactions Involving Purchases of Portfolio Collateral

(a) Any transaction effected under this Article or under Sections 3.4, 10.2, 10.3, 11.3 or 12.4 hereof involving the Servicer and one or more Affiliates of the Servicer shall be conducted on an arm's-length basis. Any such transaction effected with an Affiliate of the Servicer, the Issuer or the Trustee, shall be effected on terms as favorable to the Noteholders as would be the case if such Person were not so affiliated; *provided* that the Trustee shall have no responsibility to oversee compliance with this clause by the Issuer or Servicer.

(b) Upon any purchase or substitution pursuant to this Article or Sections 11.3, 12.3(b) or 12.4 hereof, each such Pledged Security shall be Delivered to the Trustee.

(c) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants and will certify to the Trustee in an Officer's Certificate as of the date of each purchase and Grant to the Trustee of each Portfolio Collateral pursuant to Section 11.3, Section 12.3(b) and Section 12.4 hereof:

(i) the Issuer is the owner of such item of Portfolio Collateral and the Deposit free and clear of any liens, claims (including any adverse claims) or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever, except for those granted or expressly permitted pursuant to this Indenture and due bills, if any, with respect to interest, or a portion thereof, accrued on such Portfolio Collateral prior to the first payment date and owed by the Issuer to the seller of such Portfolio Collateral;

(ii) the Issuer has acquired its ownership in such item of Portfolio Collateral and the Deposit in good faith without notice of any adverse claim, except as described in paragraph (i) above;

(iii) the Issuer has Delivered such item of Portfolio Collateral to the Trustee and has not assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered any interest in such Portfolio Collateral or the Deposit other than interests granted or expressly permitted pursuant to this Indenture;

(iv) the Issuer has full right to Grant and does Grant pursuant to the Granting Clauses such item of Portfolio Collateral and the Deposit to the Trustee;

(v) the information set forth with respect to such item of Portfolio Collateral in Schedule A hereto is correct; and

(vi) such item of Portfolio Collateral satisfies the requirements of the definition of Portfolio Collateral.

Section 12.6. Sale of Warrants

The Servicer may direct the Trustee in writing to sell, and the Trustee shall release from the lien of this Indenture and sell in the manner directed by the Servicer, any warrant that is part of a Unit at any time after such warrant becomes separately tradable.

Section 12.7. Underlying Instruments

(a) With respect to each Portfolio Loan acquired by a Participation, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to hold at its office in the State of New York or the Commonwealth of Massachusetts an original executed Underlying Instrument entered into between the Issuer and the Selling Institution which, except in the case of a Portfolio Loan evidenced by an instrument (the original of which shall be delivered to the Trustee), may be a copy thereof, which may be sent by telecopier, certified by the Servicer or the Issuer as a true and accurate copy (which in the case of a Participation shall include the loan and security documentation with respect to the underlying loan) as provided to it by the Servicer, and, *provided* that the Trustee has sufficient advance notice of such transaction, the Trustee shall send a notice of the assignment of such Participation to the Selling Institution and the underlying obligor of such Portfolio Loan on or prior to the Business Day on which such Portfolio Loan is to be included in the Trust Estate.

(b) The Issuer (upon Servicer Order) may enter into any amendment of or supplement to any Underlying Instrument with respect to any item of Portfolio Collateral, without notice to or consent of any Noteholder, but with prior written notice to the Trustee, if the amendment or supplement is required (a) by the provisions of the Underlying Instrument or this Indenture, (b) to cure any ambiguity, inconsistency or formal defect or omission, (c) in connection with any authorized amendment of or supplement to this Indenture, or (d) to make any other change deemed necessary or beneficial by the Issuer (upon Servicer Order); *provided* that, unless such Portfolio Loan is in default, or default is reasonably foreseeable, after giving effect to such amendment or supplement, such item of Portfolio Collateral satisfies the definition of Portfolio Collateral hereunder. The Issuer shall be under no obligation to enter into any such amendment or supplement, and the Servicer and the Issuer shall be under no obligation to provide any Person with any information related thereto (other than to confirm to the Trustee compliance with this Section), to the extent that the Servicer or the Issuer, as the case may be, believes in good faith that any action so taken is necessary in order not to violate any law, regulation or contractual arrangement. The Servicer shall retain any appropriate records of such amendments.

(c) If an amendment of or supplement to any Underlying Instrument without any consent of Noteholders is not permitted by subsection (b), the Issuer may enter into, and the Trustee shall, as directed by the Issuer, accept, or if necessary consent to, such amendment or supplement, with at least 10 days' prior written notice to the Trustee and the Holders of the

Notes, unless the Trustee and the Issuer have received notification by the more than 33-1/3% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes objecting to such amendment or supplement within 10 days of such notice.

(d) If the Servicer determines that any amendment to the Underlying Instrument of a DIP Loan materially affects the credit quality of such DIP Loan, the Servicer shall promptly notify the Rating Agencies of such amendment, prior to execution of such amendment.

#### Section 12.8. [Synthetic Securities](#)

For purposes of the eligibility criteria and related tests herein, a Synthetic Security will generally be included as an item of Portfolio Collateral having the maturity, interest rate and other payment characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the Reference Obligation (including characterization as either an item of Fixed Rate Portfolio Collateral or Floating Rate Portfolio Collateral) and, with respect to all other characteristics, will be included as an item of Portfolio Collateral having the relevant characteristics of the related Reference Obligation and not of the Synthetic Security. The Servicer will notify Moody's and Standard & Poor's in writing or electronically with respect to each purchase of a Synthetic Security not later than the trade date for such Synthetic Security; except that, if, at any time, the rating by Moody's on any Class of Notes then rated by Moody's has been downgraded at least one rating sub-category (and has not been restored) or is put on credit watch (with negative implications), no Synthetic Security will be purchased by the Issuer for inclusion in the Trust Estate unless Moody's has received notice of such purchase and any information necessary to evaluate such purchase, receipt of which shall be acknowledged by a Vice President or more senior member of Moody's CDO Group, in writing or electronically, and after such receipt is acknowledged, either Moody's shall inform the Servicer that such purchase will not cause Moody's to withdraw or further downgrade any of the then-current ratings assigned by Moody's to any of the Notes within 10 Business Days, or after 10 Business Days the Servicer may assume that such purchase will not cause Moody's to withdraw or further downgrade any of the then-current ratings assigned by Moody's to any of the Notes. If after the trade date for any Synthetic Security, there is any modification to the terms of such Synthetic Security, the Servicer will provide notice of such modification to Moody's and Standard & Poor's. Further, unless otherwise agreed by Moody's or as otherwise contemplated in the definition of Synthetic Security in Section 1.1 hereof, upon maturity, acceleration or early termination of a Synthetic Security or the related Reference Obligation, the Issuer will accept only the Reference Obligation or the par amount thereof unless the Reference Obligation would be characterized as Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, Defaulted Portfolio Collateral or Credit Improved Portfolio Collateral, in which case the Issuer may accept the current fair market value thereof, except in the event of the exercise of any put or call provision of the Synthetic Security or Reference Obligation, in which case the Issuer shall only accept the Reference Obligation or an amount greater than or equal to the par amount thereof, and the Issuer will take all commercially reasonable actions under the Synthetic Security to accomplish the foregoing. Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, in connection with the acquisition of a Synthetic Security and in lieu of all or a portion of the purchase price for such Synthetic Security, the Issuer may grant the related Synthetic Security a first priority security interest in cash and Eligible Investments designated by the Issuer and the proceeds thereof, which may be released from the lien of the Indenture and deposited with such

Synthetic Security Obligor (or an intermediary or agent therefor) and invested as provided by the terms of such Synthetic Security, and the proceeds of which may be applied to make periodic payments under such Synthetic Security. For purposes of this Indenture, the grant of such security interest shall be treated as the payment of a purchase price equal to the value of the cash and Eligible Investments granted, and the Issuer's obligation to make periodic payments under such Synthetic Security shall be disregarded.

#### Section 12.9. [Delayed Drawdown Loans and Revolving Loans](#)

A Delayed Drawdown Loan will not be eligible for purchase by the Issuer for inclusion in the Trust Estate unless the related Underlying Instrument provides (i) that advances may be made for a period not to exceed one (1) year from the date of origination of the Delayed Drawdown Loan and in any event before the end of the Revolving Period; (ii) for a maximum amount that can be borrowed from the Issuer on one or more specified borrowing dates; (iii) that funds borrowed from the Issuer and subsequently repaid may not be reborrowed; and (iv) that the borrower is entitled to such additional advances only upon the achievement of financial performance or other objective criteria established at origination and set forth in such credit agreement.

In addition, simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of any Delayed Drawdown Loan or Revolving Loan, the Issuer is required to deposit into the Loan Funding Account the full amount of any advances or delayed draws that may be required of the Issuer thereunder and principal repaid under any Revolving Loan is required to be deposited in the Loan Funding Account to the extent the Issuer's obligation to fund any future advances has not been irrevocably reduced.

### ARTICLE XIII

#### MISCELLANEOUS

#### Section 13.1. [Form of Documents Delivered to Trustee](#)

In any case where several matters are required to be certified by, or covered by an opinion of, any specified Person, it is not necessary that all such matters be certified by, or covered by the opinion of, only one such Person, or that they be so certified or covered by only one document, but one such Person may certify or give an opinion with respect to some matters and one or more other such Persons as to other matters, and any such Person may certify or give an opinion as to such matters in one or several documents.

Any certificate or opinion of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or the Servicer may be based, insofar as it relates to legal matters, upon an Opinion of Counsel or a certificate of or representations by such legal counsel, unless such Authorized Officer knows, or in the exercise of reasonable care should know, that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to the matters upon which his certificate or opinion is based are erroneous. Any such certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or the Servicer, or Opinion of Counsel or certificate of or representations by such legal counsel may be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate of opinion of, or representations by the Issuer, the Servicer or

any other Person, stating that the information with respect to such factual matters is in the possession of the Issuer, the Servicer or such other Person, unless such Authorized Officer of the Issuer or the Servicer or counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to such matters are erroneous. Any Opinion of Counsel may also be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or the Servicer, stating that the information with respect to such matters is in the possession of the Issuer or the Servicer, unless such counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to such matters are erroneous.

Where any Person is required to make, give or execute two or more applications, requests, consents, certificates, statements, opinions or other instruments under this Indenture, they may, but need not, be consolidated and form one instrument.

### Section 13.2. [Acts of Noteholders](#)

(a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or taken by Noteholders may be embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments (which may be an electronic document, including but not limited to in the form of e-mail, to the extent permitted by applicable law) of substantially similar tenor signed by such Noteholders in person or by an agent or proxy duly appointed in writing (*provided* that no signature shall be required on electronic documents, including but not limited to in the form of e-mail); and, except as herein otherwise expressly provided, such action shall become effective when such instrument or instruments are delivered to the Trustee, and, where it is hereby expressly required, to the Issuer. Proof of execution of any such instrument or of a writing appointing any such agent shall be sufficient for any purpose of this Indenture and conclusive in favor of the Trustee and the Issuer, if made in the manner provided in this Section.

(b) The fact and date of the execution by any Person of any such instrument or writing may be proved in any manner which the Trustee deems sufficient.

(c) The ownership of Notes and Combination Notes shall be proved by the Note Register.

(d) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action by the Holder of any Notes or Combination Note shall bind the Holder (and any transferee thereof) of every Note or Combination Note issued upon the registration thereof or in exchange therefor or in lieu thereof, in respect of anything done, omitted or suffered to be done by the Trustee or the Issuer in reliance thereon, whether or not notation of such action is made upon such Note or Combination Note.

### Section 13.3. [Notices, etc., to the Trustee, Issuer, Servicer, the Irish Paying Agent and Bear Stearns](#)

Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other documents provided or permitted by this Indenture to be made upon, given or furnished to, or filed with the Trustee, the Issuer, the Servicer, Bear Stearns, the Irish Paying Agent or the Paying and Transfer Agent shall be sufficient for every purpose hereunder if in writing and mailed by first class mail, sent by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery or sent by facsimile



transmission in legible form to the Trustee, the Issuer, the Servicer or Bear Stearns, as applicable, at the following addresses:

(1) to the Trustee at its Corporate Trust Office or at any other address furnished in writing to the Issuer or the Noteholders by the Trustee (any request, direction, notice or other communication from the Servicer to the Trustee under Article XII hereof (other than required certification) may be by electronic mail, which shall be deemed to be in writing);

(2) to the Issuer at the offices of Maples Finance Limited, P.O. Box 1093 GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, Attention: Directors, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Trustee by the Issuer;

(3) to the Co-Issuer at c/o Donald J. Puglisi, 850 Library Avenue, Suite 204, City of Newark, County of New Castle, Delaware 19711, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Noteholders, the Trustee or the Issuer by the Co-Issuer;

(4) to the Servicer at the offices of Highland Capital Management, LP, Two Galleria Tower, 13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300, Dallas, Texas 75240, Attention: James Dondero, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Noteholders, the Trustee or the Issuer by the Servicer;

(5) to Bear Stearns at the offices of Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., 383 Madison Avenue, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10179, Attention: CDO Group, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Trustee by Bear Stearns;

(6) to the Irish Paying Agent at the offices of 3 George's Dock, International Financial Services Centre, Dublin, Ireland or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Trustee by the Irish Paying Agent;

(7) to the Paying and Transfer Agent at the offices of Investors Bank & Trust Company, at the Trustee's Corporate Trust Office;

(8) to the Rating Agencies as described in Section 10.7 hereof; or

(9) to the Cap Provider as provided for in the Cap Agreement at Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., 383 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10179, Attention: Head of Interest Rate Derivatives Marketing, or at any such other address previously furnished in writing to the Trustee by the Cap Provider and to the address furnished by any subsequent Hedge Counterparty.

The Issuer hereby directs the Trustee and the Trustee agrees that, until it receives written notification from Ambac Assurance Corporation ("Ambac") to the contrary, it shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, to Ambac, at its addresses set forth below, a copy of each Monthly Report, Note Valuation Report, other report, accounting, request, demand, authorization, direction, order, notice, consent waiver or other action (each, a "Notice") delivered

or required to be delivered to any Holder or any Rating Agency pursuant to this Indenture. Any Notice shall be delivered to Ambac at One State Street Plaza, New York, New York 10004; Attention: Portfolio Risk Management, facsimile (212) 208-3509, e-mail [sfcdsurv@ambac.com](mailto:sfcdsurv@ambac.com), or at any other address previously furnished to the Trustee by Ambac, not later than the first day on which such Notice is delivered to any Holder or Rating Agency. Any document required to be delivered or made available to Ambac may be made available by providing Ambac with access to a website containing such report in a format that permits the user to download the document as a pdf file.

#### Section 13.4. [Notices to Noteholders; Waiver](#)

Where this Indenture provides for giving a copy of any report or notice to Noteholders (such report or notice a "notice") of any event, such notice shall be sufficiently given (unless otherwise herein expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, to each Noteholder affected by such event, at its address as it appears on the Note Register, not later than the latest date, and not earlier than the earliest date, prescribed for the giving of such notice and so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent. In any case where notice to Noteholders is given by mail, neither the failure to mail such notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Noteholder shall affect the sufficiency of such notice with respect to other Noteholders, and any notice which is mailed in the manner herein provided shall conclusively be presumed to have been duly given whether or not received. The Trustee shall provide notices directly to any beneficial holder of a Note that so identifies itself and requests receipt of such notices in writing to the Trustee.

Where this Indenture provides for notice in any manner, any such notice may be waived in writing by any Person entitled to receive such notice, either before or after the event, and such waiver shall be the equivalent of such notice. Waivers of notice by Noteholders shall be filed with the Trustee but such filing shall not be a condition precedent to the validity of any action taken in reliance upon such waiver.

In the event that, by reason of the suspension of the regular mail service as a result of a strike, work stoppage or similar activity it shall be impractical to mail notice of any event to Noteholders when such notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this Indenture, then any manner of giving such notice as shall be satisfactory to the Trustee shall be deemed to be a sufficient giving of such notice.

#### Section 13.5. [Effect of Headings and Table of Contents](#)

The Article and Section headings herein and the Table of Contents are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction hereof.

#### Section 13.6. [Successors and Assigns](#)

All covenants and agreements in this Indenture by the Co-Issuers shall bind its respective successors and assigns, whether so expressed or not.



Section 13.7. [Severability](#)

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

Section 13.8. [Benefits of Indenture](#)

Nothing in this Indenture or in the Notes, expressed or implied, shall give to any Person, other than the parties hereto and their successors hereunder, each Hedge Counterparty, the Servicer and the Noteholders, any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under this Indenture.

The Servicer, the Hedge Counterparty and their respective successors and assigns, shall each be third-party beneficiaries of the provisions of this Indenture, and shall be entitled to rely upon this Indenture and directly to enforce such provisions of this Indenture.

Section 13.9. [Reserved](#)

Section 13.10. [Governing Law; Submission to Jurisdiction; Waiver of Trial by Jury](#)

(a) This Indenture, each indenture supplemental hereto and each Note (including the Note Component of the Combination Note) shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of New York applicable to agreements made and to be performed therein. The State of New York shall be the securities intermediary's jurisdiction of the Securities Intermediary for purposes of the UCC and the United States Regulations.

(b) Each of the Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably and unconditionally submits, for itself and its property, to the nonexclusive jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of the State of New York sitting in New York County and of the United States District Court of the Southern District of New York, and any appellate court from any thereof, in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Notes, the Combination Notes or this Indenture, or for recognition or enforcement of any judgment, and each of the Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably and unconditionally agrees that all claims in respect of any such action or proceeding may be heard and determined in such New York State or, to the extent permitted by law, in such Federal court. Each of the Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of such action or proceeding in any such court. Each of the Co-Issuers and the Trustee irrevocably consents to the service of any and all process in any action or proceeding by the mailing or delivery of copies of such process to it at the office of its agent set forth in Section 13.3. Each of the Co-Issuers and the Trustee agrees that a final judgment in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

(c) EACH OF THE PARTIES HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES ALL RIGHT TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY ACTION, PROCEEDING OR COUNTERCLAIM ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS INDENTURE, ANY OTHER TRANSACTION

DOCUMENTS OR ANY INSTRUMENT OR DOCUMENT DELIVERED HEREUNDER OR THEREUNDER.

Section 13.11. [Counterparts](#)

This instrument may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which so executed shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

Section 13.12. [No Issuer Office Within the United States](#)

The Issuer (or the Servicer acting in the name or on behalf of the Issuer) shall not maintain an office located within the United States; *provided* that neither the performance by Investors Bank & Trust Company, as Trustee or use any of in any of its other capacities hereunder, or as appointed agent for the Issuer of the Issuer's obligation to prepare reports under or pursuant to Article X hereof (and other services rendered by Investors Bank & Trust Company, pursuant to the Collateral Administration Agreement as described in Section 10.5(f) hereof) at and through the offices of Investors Bank & Trust Company in the United States nor the services rendered by the Servicer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement at its offices in the United States shall be a violation of this Section 13.12.

Section 13.13. [Subordination](#)

(a) Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, the Issuer and the Holders of the Notes agree:

(i) for the benefit of the Holders of the Class A-1LA Notes and the Trustee, that the Class A-1LB Notes, Class A-2L Notes, the Class A-3L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes, the Class B-2L Notes and the Issuer's rights in and to the Trust Estate (with respect to the Class A-1LA Notes, the "[Senior Class A Subordinate Interests](#)") shall be subordinate and junior to the Class A-1LA Notes and the Trustee to the extent and in the manner set forth herein, including but not limited to payment of principal of, and interest on, the Senior Class A Subordinate Interests, and that the lien of the Trustee with respect to the Senior Class A Subordinate Interests is subordinate to any lien of the Trustee in favor of the holders of Class A-1LA Notes; and

(ii) for the benefit of the Holders of the Class A-1LB Notes and the Trustee that the Class A-3L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes, the Class B-2L Notes and the Issuer's rights in and to the Trust Estate (with respect to the Class A-1LB Notes, the "[Class A-1LB Subordinate Interests](#)") shall be subordinate and junior to the Class A-1LB Notes and the Trustee to the extent and in the manner set forth herein, including but not limited to payment of principal of, and interest on, the Class A-1LB Subordinate Interests, and that the lien of the Trustee with respect to the Class A-1LB Subordinate Interests is subordinate to any lien of the Trustee in favor of the holders of Class A-1LB Notes; and

(iii) for the benefit of the Holders of the Class A-2L Notes and the Trustee that the Class A-3L Notes, the Class B-1L Notes, the Class B-2L Notes and the

Issuer's rights in and to the Trust Estate (with respect to the Class A-2L Notes, the "Class A-2L Subordinate Interests") shall be subordinate and junior to the Class A-2L Notes and the Trustee to the extent and in the manner set forth herein, including but not limited to payment of principal of, and interest on, the Class A-2L Subordinate Interests, and that the lien of the Trustee with respect to the Class A-2L Subordinate Interests is subordinate to any lien of the Trustee in favor of the holders of Class A-2L Notes; and

(iv) for the benefit of the Holders of the Class A-3L Notes and the Trustee that the Class B-1L Notes and the Class B-2L Notes and the Issuer's rights in and to the Trust Estate (with respect to the Class A-3L Notes, the "Class A-3L Subordinate Interests") shall be subordinate and junior to the Class A-3L Notes and the Trustee to the extent and in the manner set forth herein, including but not limited to payment of principal of the Class A-3L Subordinate Interests, and that the lien of the Trustee with respect to the Class A-3L Subordinate Interests is subordinate to any lien of the Trustee in favor of the holders of Class A-3L Notes.

(v) for the benefit of the Holders of the Class B-1L Notes and the Trustee that the Class B-2L Notes and the Issuer's rights in and to the Trust Estate (with respect to the Class B-1L Notes, the "Class B-1L Subordinate Interests") shall be subordinate and junior to the Class B-1L Notes and the Trustee to the extent and in the manner set forth herein, including but not limited to payment of principal of the Class B-1L Subordinate Interests, and that the lien of the Trustee with respect to the Class A-4L Subordinate Interests is subordinate to any lien of the Trustee in favor of the holders of Class B-1L Notes.

If any Event of Default has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs in accordance with Article V, the Notes shall be paid in the priority set forth in Section 11.1(d) hereof.

In addition to the foregoing:

(i) the Holders of the Class A-2L Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Class A-1L Notes, not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer for failure to pay amounts due under the Class A-2L Notes or hereunder until the payment in full of the Class A-1L Notes;

(ii) the Holders of the Class A-3L Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Senior Class A Notes, not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer for failure to pay amounts due under the Class A-3L Notes or hereunder until the payment in full of the Senior Class A Notes;

(iii) the Holders of the Class B-1L Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Class A Notes, not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer for failure to pay amounts due under the Class B-1L Notes or hereunder until the payment in full of the Class A Notes; and

(iv) the Holders of the Class B-2L Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes, not to cause the filing of a

petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer for failure to pay amounts due under the Class B-2L Notes or hereunder until the payment in full of the Class A Notes and the Class B-1L Notes;

in each case, not before one year and one day, or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, have elapsed since such payment.

If notwithstanding the provisions of this Indenture, any Holder of any Class B-1L Notes shall have received any payment or distribution in respect of such Class B-1L Notes contrary to the provisions of this Indenture, then unless and until the Class A Notes shall have been paid in full in accordance with this Indenture, such payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall immediately be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, which shall pay and deliver the same to the Holders of the Class A Notes, in accordance with this Indenture.

(b) Each Holder of Class B-1L Notes or Class B-2L Notes agrees that such Holder shall not demand, accept, or receive any payment or distribution in respect of such Notes in violation of the provisions of this Indenture. Nothing in this Section shall affect the obligation of the Issuer to pay Holders of such Notes amounts owing in respect thereof.

(c) So long as any Class A Notes remain Outstanding to the extent it may lawfully do so, each Class B-1L Noteholder and Class B-2L Noteholder by its acceptance of a Class B-1L Note or a Class B-2L Note, respectively:

(i) agrees that it will not step up, plead, claim or in any manner whatsoever take advantage of, any appraisal, valuation, stay, extension or redemption laws, now or hereafter in force in any jurisdiction, which may delay, prevent or otherwise hinder (A) the performance, enforcement or foreclosure of this Indenture, (B) the sale of any of the Trust Estate, or (C) the putting of the purchaser or purchasers thereof into possession of such property immediately after the sale thereof;

(ii) waives all benefit or advantage of any such laws;

(iii) waives and releases all rights to have the Trust Estate marshaled upon any foreclosure, sale or other enforcement of this Indenture; and

consents and agrees that, subject to the terms of this Indenture, all the Collateral may at any such sale be sold by the Trustee as an entirety.

#### Section 13.14. [Survival of Provisions](#)

Notwithstanding the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture, the rights and obligations of either Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Noteholders and other secured parties hereunder under Sections 2.7(h), 2.10, 4.2, 5.19, 6.7, 6.13, 7.3, 7.6, 7.16, 11.1 and 13.15 hereof shall otherwise survive termination of the rights of the parties hereunder.

Section 13.15. Liability of Co-Issuers.

Notwithstanding any other terms of this Indenture, the Notes or any other agreement entered into between, inter alia, the Co-Issuers or otherwise, neither of the Co-Issuers shall have any liability whatsoever to the other Co-Issuer under this Indenture, the Notes, any such agreement or otherwise and, without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, neither of the Co-Issuers shall be entitled to take any steps to enforce, or bring any action or proceeding, in respect of this Indenture, the Notes, any such agreement or otherwise against the other Co-Issuer. In particular, neither of the Co-Issuers shall be entitled to petition or take any other steps for the winding up or bankruptcy of the other Co-Issuer or shall have any claim in respect of any assets of the other Co-Issuer.

Section 13.16. Escheat.

In the absence of a written request from the Co-Issuers to return unclaimed funds to the Co-Issuers, the Trustee shall from time to time deliver all unclaimed funds to or as directed by applicable escheat authorities, as determined by the Trustee in its sole discretion, in accordance with the customary practices and procedures of the Trustee. Any unclaimed funds held by the Trustee pursuant to this section shall be held uninvested and without any liability for interest.

## ARTICLE XIV

ASSIGNMENT OF THE SERVICING AGREEMENTSection 14.1. Assignment of the Servicing Agreement

(a) The Issuer, in furtherance of the covenants of this Indenture and as security for the Notes and the performance and observance of the provisions hereof, has, pursuant to the Granting Clauses, assigned, transferred, conveyed and set over to the Trustee, for the benefit of the Noteholders and the other secured parties hereunder, all of the Issuer's right, title and interest in, to and under the Servicing Agreement, including, without limitation, (i) the right to give all notices, consents and releases thereunder, (ii) the right to give all notices of termination and to take any legal action upon the breach of an obligation of the Servicer thereunder, including the commencement, conduct and consummation of proceedings at law or in equity, (iii) the right to receive all notices, accountings, consents, releases and statements thereunder and (iv) the right to do any and all other things whatsoever that the Issuer is or may be entitled to do thereunder; *provided* so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing hereunder, the Trustee hereby grants the Issuer a license to exercise all of the Issuer's rights pursuant to the Servicing Agreement without notice to or the consent of the Trustee (except as otherwise expressly required by this Indenture, including, without limitation, as set forth in paragraph (f) of this Section 14.1 hereof), which license shall be and is hereby deemed to be automatically revoked upon the occurrence of any Event of Default hereunder until such time, if any, as the Event of Default is cured or waived. The Trustee shall have no liability with respect to any act or failure to act by the Issuer under the Servicing Agreement (*provided* that this sentence shall not limit or relieve the Trustee from any responsibility it may have under this Indenture upon the occurrence of and during the continuance of any Event of Default).

(b) The assignment made pursuant to the Granting Clauses is made as collateral security, and shall not in any way impair or diminish the obligations of the Issuer under the provisions of the Servicing Agreement, nor shall any of the obligations contained in the Servicing Agreement be imposed on the Trustee.

(c) Upon the retirement of the Notes and the release of the Trust Estate from the lien of this Indenture, the assignment pursuant to the Granting Clauses and all rights herein assigned to the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders shall cease and terminate and all the right, title and interest of the Trustee in, to and under the Servicing Agreement shall revert to the Issuer and no further instrument or act shall be necessary to evidence such termination and reversion.

(d) The Issuer represents that it has not executed any other assignment of the Servicing Agreement.

(e) The Issuer agrees that the assignment is irrevocable, and that it will not take any action which is inconsistent with such assignment or make any other assignment inconsistent therewith. The Issuer will, upon the request of the Trustee, execute all instruments of further assurance and all such supplemental instruments with respect to this assignment as the Trustee may specify.

(f) The Issuer hereby agrees, and hereby undertakes to obtain the agreement of the Servicer in the Servicing Agreement, to the following:

(1) The Servicer consents to, and agrees to perform, the provisions hereof applicable to the Servicer.

(2) The Servicer acknowledges that the Issuer is assigning all of its right, title and interest in, to and under the Servicing Agreement to the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders and the other Secured Parties hereunder.

(3) The Servicer shall deliver to the Trustee (at substantially the same time as delivered pursuant to the Servicing Agreement) duplicate original copies of all notices, statements, communications and instruments delivered or required to be delivered to the Issuer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement.

(4) Except as set forth in the Servicing Agreement, neither the Issuer nor the Servicer will enter into any agreement amending, modifying or terminating the Servicing Agreement or selecting or consenting to a successor manager (other than an amendment or modification of the type that may be made to this Indenture without Holder consent), (a) without satisfying the Rating Condition and (b) so long as the Requisite Holders have not objected in writing to such amendment or modification within 30 days of notice thereof; and any such amendment, modification, termination, selection or consent (in each case, other than pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement) without confirmation by the Rating Agencies or if the Requisite Holders have objected shall be void; *provided* that the consent of Requisite Noteholders or confirmation by Moody's and S&P shall not be required for an amendment or modification to cure any ambiguity, to correct or supplement any provisions therein, to

comply with any changes in law, or to make any other provisions with respect to matters or questions arising under the Servicing Agreement which shall not be inconsistent with the provisions thereof or of this Indenture, so long as such amendment or modification does not affect in any material respects the interests of any Noteholder (as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel acceptable to the Trustee) and each of Moody's and S&P is notified in writing of such amendment or modification. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing in this subsection shall limit, in any way, any of the rights or remedies available to the Servicer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement.

(5) Except as set forth herein and in the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer shall continue to serve as Servicer under the Servicing Agreement notwithstanding that the Servicer shall not have received amounts due it under the Servicing Agreement because sufficient funds were not then available hereunder to pay such amounts in accordance with Article XI hereof, and agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer for any reason whatsoever, including without limitation the non-payment to the Servicer, until the payment in full of all Notes issued under this Indenture and the expiration of a period equal to one year and one day following all such payments; *provided* that nothing in this clause shall preclude, or be deemed to estop, the Servicer (A) from taking any action prior to the expiration of the aforementioned one year and one day period in (x) any case or proceeding voluntarily filed or commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, or (y) any involuntary insolvency proceeding filed or commenced against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, by a Person other than the Servicer or its Affiliates, or (B) from commencing against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any properties of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any legal action which is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation proceeding.

(6) The Servicer will perform its obligations with respect to any conflict of interest in accordance with the applicable requirements of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940.

## ARTICLE XV

### ASSIGNMENT OF THE HEDGE AGREEMENT

#### Section 15.1. Assignment of the Hedge Agreements

(a) Pursuant to the Granting Clauses, the Issuer has assigned, transferred, conveyed and set over to the Trustee, for the benefit of the Noteholders and the other Secured Parties hereunder, all of the Issuer's right, title and interest in, to and under each Hedge Agreement, including, without limitation, (i) all of the Issuer's interest in all securities, monies and proceeds held by the related Hedge Counterparty thereunder, (ii) the right to give all notices, consents and releases thereunder, (iii) the right to give all notices of termination and to take any legal action upon the breach of an obligation of the related Hedge Counterparty thereunder, including the commencement, conduct and consummation of proceedings at law or in equity, (iv) the right to receive all notices, accountings, consents, releases and statements thereunder and (v) the right to do any and all other things whatsoever that the Issuer is or may be entitled to do

thereunder; *provided* so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing hereunder, the Trustee hereby grants the Issuer a license to exercise all of the Issuer's rights pursuant to the Hedge Agreement without notice to or the consent of the Trustee (except as otherwise expressly required by this Indenture), which license shall be and is hereby deemed to be automatically revoked upon the occurrence of any Event of Default hereunder until such time, if any, as the Event of Default is cured or waived. The Trustee shall have no liability with respect to any act or failure to act by the Issuer under any Hedge Agreement (*provided* that this sentence shall not limit or relieve the Trustee from any responsibility it may have under this Indenture upon the occurrence of and during the continuance of any Event of Default hereunder).

(b) The assignment made pursuant to the Granting Clauses is made as collateral security, and shall not in any way impair or diminish the obligations of the Issuer under the provisions of any Hedge Agreement, nor shall any of the obligations contained in any Hedge Agreement be imposed on the Trustee.

(c) Upon the retirement of the Notes and the release of the Trust Estate from the lien of this Indenture, all rights herein assigned to the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders and the other Secured Parties shall cease and terminate and all the right, title and interest of the Trustee in, to and under each Hedge Agreement shall revert to the Issuer and no further instrument or act shall be necessary to evidence such termination and reversion.

(d) The Issuer represents that the Issuer has not executed any other assignment of the Hedge Agreement.

(e) The Issuer agrees that the assignment set forth in the Granting Clauses is irrevocable, and that it will not take any action which is inconsistent with such assignment or make any other assignment inconsistent herewith. The Issuer will, upon the request of the Trustee, execute all instruments of further assurance and all such supplemental instruments with respect to such assignment as the Trustee may specify.

(f) The Issuer further agrees, with respect to the Hedge Agreement, as follows:

(1) The Issuer will obtain on or before the Closing Date the acknowledgement by each Hedge Counterparty that the Issuer is assigning all of its right, title and interest in, to and under the related Hedge Agreement to the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders and the other Secured Parties.

(2) Prior to the occurrence of an Event of Default the Issuer will deliver to the Trustee copies of all notices and communications delivered or required to be delivered to the Issuer pursuant to the related Hedge Agreement, but only if such notice or communication relates to any (i) default under, (ii) early termination of or (iii) amendment of, such Hedge Agreement.

(3) Subject to Section 2.14(d), the Issuer will not enter into any agreement amending, modifying or terminating a Hedge Agreement, without prior written consent of the Requisite Noteholders and written confirmation by the Rating Agencies that such amendment, modification or termination would not cause the ratings



of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn; *provided* (A) that the consent of Requisite Noteholders and confirmation by the Rating Agencies shall not be required for an amendment or modification to cure any ambiguity or to correct or supplement any provision with respect to matters or questions arising under such Hedge Agreement which shall not be inconsistent with the provisions thereof or of this Indenture, in each case so long as such amendment or modification does not adversely affect in any material respects the interests of any Noteholder (as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel acceptable to the Trustee) and (B) neither the consent of the Requisite Noteholders, confirmation by the Rating Agencies nor an Opinion of Counsel shall be required with respect to any amendment or modification that either only corrects a manifest error or is principally and manifestly for the benefit of the Noteholders.

## ARTICLE XVI

### COMBINATION NOTES

#### Section 16.1. Payments on Combination Notes.

Upon receipt by (i) the Trustee of any payment in respect of the Note Component, or by (ii) the Paying and Transfer Agent of any payment in respect of the Preferred Share Component, the Trustee or the Paying and Transfer Agent, as applicable, shall distribute such payment to the Holders of the Combination Notes by wire transfer to such accounts as the Holders may specify (in writing) to the Trustee and the Paying and Transfer Agent prior to the related Record Date. Payments on the Preferred Share Component of the Combination Notes shall be deposited in the Preferred Shares Collection Account and distributed by the Paying and Transfer Agent to the Holders of the Combination Notes on each Payment Date subject to the provisions of the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement.

#### Section 16.2. Rights of Holders of the Combination Notes.

(a) All rights ordinarily allocable to a Holder of a Component Security shall be exercised by the Holder of the Combination Notes, all payments to be made hereunder to a Holder of a Component Security shall be made by the Trustee or the Paying and Transfer Agent, as applicable, directly to such Holder of the Combination Notes, and the Holder of the Combination Notes shall have all the rights, as the Holder of the Component Securities, for all purposes hereunder. All distributions to the Holder of the Combination Notes in respect of the Preferred Share Component shall be made in accordance with the provisions of the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement.

(b) Except as expressly provided herein, the Holders of the Combination Notes shall not be entitled to vote with respect to matters arising under this Indenture, the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement or the Servicing Agreement except as Holders of the Component Securities.

(c) All of the obligations of the Issuer under the Combination Notes (to the extent of the Note Component) are limited recourse obligations of the Issuer, payable solely from amounts paid in respect of the related Component Securities. No Holder of a Combination Note

shall have any claim against the Co-Issuers or the Trustee for any amounts payable but not actually received by the Trustee in respect of any Component Security that is not a Note, and the claims and rights of a Holder of a Combination Note in respect of any amounts payable in respect of any Component Security that is a Note shall be identical to the claims and rights of a Holder of the same amount of such Component Security.

(d) The Combination Notes represent interests in the related Component Securities. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Combination Notes do not represent an obligation of the Issuer separate from or in addition to the obligation of the Issuer with respect to the related Component Securities.

#### Section 16.3. [Application of Payments on the Combination Notes.](#)

(a) The Aggregate Principal Amount of the Combination Notes shall at all times equal the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Note Component plus the Notional Amount of the Preferred Share Component. After issuance, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Combination Note shall be reduced by the amount and to the extent the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Note Component or the Notional Amount of the Preferred Share Component is reduced. When a payment causing the reduction of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes is made, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Note Component shall be reduced based on the proportion that the Note Component bears to the Class B-1L Notes. When a payment causing the reduction of the Notional Amount of the Class I Preferred Shares is made, the Notional Amount of the Preferred Share Component shall be reduced based on the proportion that the Preferred Share Component bears to the Class I Preferred Shares.

(b) Solely for purposes of determining the Rated Balance and the Rated Coupon of the Combination Notes (as applicable), all monies distributed to the Component Securities will be applied, first to interest accrued at the Rated Coupon (with interest thereon) for the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period (calculated on the basis of a 360-day year and the actual number of days elapsed during each Periodic Interest Accrual Period) and then to the Rated Balance, until the Rated Balance has been paid in full and thereafter any payment received will be deemed additional interest on the Combination Notes. The Rated Coupon will accrue on the Rated Balance of the Combination Notes.

#### Section 16.4. [Mandatory Exchange of the Combination Notes](#)

On any date the Issuer elects or the Trustee is instructed by the Issuer or Noteholders or the Holders of the Preferred Shares, as applicable, either to liquidate the Trust Estate, to redeem the Notes in whole pursuant to Article IX or to redeem the Class B-1L Notes pursuant to an Optional Redemption by Refinancing pursuant to Section 9.1(b), each Holder of a Combination Note shall surrender such Combination Note to the Trustee for exchange of such Combination Note for the corresponding Component Securities as provided in Section 2.5(b)(viii) hereof. In connection with such exchange, the respective obligations and responsibilities of the Issuer and the Trustee created hereby with respect to the Combination Notes shall terminate and this Indenture shall cease to be of further effect with respect to the Combination Notes as provided in Section 4.1 hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have set our hands as of the 9th day of May, 2007.

EXECUTED AS A DEED BY  
ROCKWALL CDO II LTD., as Issuer

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

in the presence of:

\_\_\_\_\_  
witness

ROCKWALL CDO II (DELAWARE) CORP., as  
Co-Issuer

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

INVESTORS BANK & TRUST COMPANY, as  
Trustee

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

INVESTORS BANK & TRUST COMPANY, as  
Securities Intermediary

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

Name:

Title:

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ROCKWALL CDO II LTD.,  
as Issuer

and

INVESTORS BANK & TRUST COMPANY,  
as Paying Agent and as Transfer Agent

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PAYING AND TRANSFER AGENCY AGREEMENT

(Relating to the Issuer's Preferred Shares)

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Dated as of May 9, 2007

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## PAYING AND TRANSFER AGENCY AGREEMENT

(Relating to the Issuer's Preferred Shares)

PAYING AND TRANSFER AGENCY AGREEMENT, dated as of May 9, 2007 (this "**Agreement**"), between ROCKWALL CDO II LTD., an exempted company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands (together with its permitted successors and assigns, the "**Issuer**"), and INVESTORS BANK & TRUST COMPANY, as the Paying Agent hereunder (in such capacity, together with its permitted successors and assigns, the "**Paying Agent**") and as the Transfer Agent hereunder (in such capacity, together with its permitted successors and assigns, the "**Transfer Agent**").

### PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

The Issuer may, pursuant to an Indenture dated as of the date hereof as amended from time to time (the "**Indenture**"), among the Issuer, ROCKWALL CDO II (DELAWARE) CORP., a Delaware corporation (the "**Co-Issuer**" and, together with the Issuer, the "**Co-Issuers**") and INVESTORS BANK & TRUST COMPANY, as the Trustee thereunder (the "**Trustee**") and as Securities Intermediary thereunder, issue multiple classes of secured notes (the "**Notes**") and the Combination Notes (the "**Combination Notes**").

As authorized by the Issuer and permitted under the terms of the Issuer's Memorandum of Association and Articles of Association, the Issuer may issue up to 175,000,000 Class I Preferred Shares having a par value of U.S. \$0.001 per share (the "**Class I Preferred Shares**") and 175,000,000 Class II Preferred Shares having a par value of U.S. \$0.001 per share (the "**Class II Preferred Shares**" and, together with the Class I Preferred Shares, the "**Preferred Shares**") and the dividends and other distributions on which are payable in accordance with the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Issuer, the Resolutions (as defined herein), the Indenture and this Agreement. On the Closing Date, the Issuer expects to issue 42,200,000 Class I Preferred Shares and 44,000,000 Class II Preferred Shares. The Issuer has entered into this Agreement to provide for the payment of such dividends and other distributions.

#### Section 1. Definitions.

Except as otherwise specified herein or as the context may otherwise require, the following terms shall have the respective meanings set forth below for all purposes of this Agreement, and the definitions of such terms are equally applicable both to the singular and plural forms of such terms, and to the masculine, feminine and neuter genders of such terms. All other defined terms used herein and not defined herein shall have the meanings specified in the Indenture.

**"Articles"**: The Articles of Association of the Issuer, as they may from time to time be further amended and restated.

**"Authorized Representative"**: Any officer, director, employee, or agent of the Issuer authorized to give instructions and notices on behalf of the Issuer pursuant to Section 3 hereof.

**"Business Day"**: Any day that is a "Business Day" as defined in the Indenture, and that is not a day on which commercial banking institutions in the city in which the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent is located are authorized or obligated by law or executive order to be closed.



**“Class”**: Any of the Class I Preferred Shares or the Class II Preferred Shares.

**“Class II Preferred Share Dividend”**: As such term is defined in the Indenture.

**“Clearance System”**: The Euroclear System or Clearstream or both.

**“Common Depositary”**: DTC or its nominees, and any successor thereto, as Common Depositary for Euroclear and Clearstream.

**“Definitive Preferred Share”**: Any registered Preferred Share represented by a certificate in or substantially in the form set out in Exhibit A-3 hereto (or, if issued as a Preferred Share Component of the Combination Notes, represented by a Combination Note certificate in the form set out in Exhibit C-4 to the Indenture) which may be issued by the Issuer on the Closing Date or exchanged pursuant to Section 8 or which may be issued in exchange for a beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Preferred Share pursuant to Section 8.

**“Disqualified Transferee”**: The meaning set forth in Section 8(h).

**“Distribution Compliance Period”**: The meaning set forth in Section 8(b)(i).

**“ERISA”**: The Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended.

**“Excess Cash Flow”**: With respect to any Payment Date other than the Redemption Date, the funds or any Payment Date Equity Securities disbursed on such Payment Date by the Trustee to the Paying Agent (for the benefit of the Preferred Shareholders) pursuant to clause FOURTH of Section 11.1(b) of the Indenture; pursuant to clauses TWELFTH, FOURTEENTH and FIFTEENTH of Section 11.1(c)(i) of the Indenture; and, with respect to the Redemption Date, the funds disbursed on the Redemption Date by the Trustee to the Paying Agent (for the benefit of the Preferred Shareholders) pursuant to clauses TWELFTH, FOURTEENTH and FIFTEENTH of Section 11.1(d) of the Indenture.

**“Holder” or “Preferred Shareholder”**: The registered holder of any Preferred Share, or any Preferred Share Component of the Combination Notes, as set forth in the Share Register maintained by the Share Registrar. Notwithstanding any notice to the contrary, the Paying Agent shall have no obligation to recognize or deal with any Person claiming an interest in the Preferred Shares other than such registered holders. With regard to the Notes, the meaning specified in the Indenture.

**“Indenture”**: The meaning set forth in the Preliminary Statement hereof.

**“Investment Company Act”**: The United States Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

**“Investor Certificate”**: A letter substantially in the form of Exhibit B attached hereto, duly completed as appropriate.

**“Majority Preferred Shareholders”**: The Holders of more than 50% of the aggregate outstanding Preferred Shares (voting together as a single class).

**“Opinion of Counsel”**: A written opinion, addressed to the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent, as the case may be (or on which the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent may rely) and in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent, as the case may be, of an attorney at law admitted to practice before the highest court of any state of the United States or the District of Columbia or, with respect to matters relating to the laws of the Cayman Islands, the Cayman

Islands, which attorney or attorneys may, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, be counsel for the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, or any Preferred Shareholder, and who shall be reasonably satisfactory to the Paying Agent, the Transfer Agent and the Servicer, as applicable.

**“Paying Agent”:** Investors Bank & Trust Company, as the Paying Agent hereunder or such other paying agent as may be appointed pursuant to Section 2(a) hereof.

**“Preferred Share Certificate”:** With respect to any of the Preferred Shares, the physical certificate evidencing such Preferred Shares, which shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit A attached hereto.

**“Preferred Shares Collection Account”:** The account established pursuant to Section 2(c).

**“Preferred Share Component”:** The component of the Combination Notes representing 3,250,000 Class I Preferred Shares.

**“Redemption Date”:** The “Final Maturity Date,” as such term is defined in the Indenture (or such other date on which the Preferred Shares may be redeemed in accordance with the terms of this Agreement).

**“Redemption Price”:** The amount of Excess Cash Flow on the Redemption Date that is attributable to Adjusted Collateral Collections and any amounts remaining in the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Loan Funding Account.

**“Regulation S Global Preferred Shares”:** The meaning set forth in Section 8(a).

**“Regulation S Transferor Certificate”:** A certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit D attached hereto, duly completed as appropriate.

**“Relevant Date”:** The meaning specified in Section 21 hereof.

**“Resolutions”:** The resolutions passed by the Board of Directors of the Issuer on or before the date hereof approving the issue of the Preferred Shares as memorialized in the board minutes relating thereto.

**“Responsible Officer”:** With respect to the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent, as applicable, any officer within the corporate trust department of the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent (or any successor group of the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent, as applicable) including any vice president, assistant vice president, assistant secretary, or any other officer or assistant officer of the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent, as applicable, customarily performing functions similar to those performed by the persons who at the time shall be such officers, respectively, or to whom any corporate trust matter is referred within the corporate trust department of the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent because of his or her knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject.

**“Restricted Preferred Share”:** The meaning set forth in Section 8(b)(ii).

**“Rule 144A Information”:** The meaning set forth in Section 8(f) hereof.

**“Rule 144A/Regulation D Transferor Certificate”:** A certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit C attached hereto, duly completed as appropriate.

**“Securities Act”:** The United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

**“Share Registrar” and “Share Register”:** The respective meanings set forth in Section 8(a) hereof.

**“Transfer Agent”:** Investors Bank & Trust Company as the Transfer Agent hereunder or such other transfer agent as may be appointed pursuant to Section 2(b) herein.

Section 2. Appointment of Paying Agent and Transfer Agent; Transfer and Deposit of Funds.

(a) The Issuer hereby appoints the Paying Agent to act as the Paying Agent for the Preferred Shares upon the terms, and subject to the conditions, set forth herein and in the Articles. The Issuer shall appoint an off-shore paying agent (in addition to and not in lieu of Investors Bank & Trust Company as Paying Agent) if requested by at least 33-2/3% of the Holders of the Preferred Shares, the cost of such agent to be borne by the Issuer. The Issuer may at any time and from time to time vary or terminate the appointment of the Paying Agent or appoint one or more additional Paying Agents. The Issuer will give prompt written notice to the Trustee of the appointment or termination of the Paying Agent and of the location and any change in the location of the Paying Agent’s office or agency. The Paying Agent shall provide notice to the Holders of any such change or variation of which it receives notice.

(b) The Issuer hereby further appoints the Paying Agent to act as the Transfer Agent for the Preferred Shares upon the terms, and subject to the conditions, set forth herein. The Issuer shall appoint an off-shore transfer agent (in addition to and not in lieu of Investors Bank & Trust Company as Transfer Agent) if requested by at least 33-2/3% of the Holders of the Preferred Shares, the cost of such agent to be borne by the Issuer. The Issuer may at any time and from time to time vary or terminate the appointment of the Transfer Agent or appoint one or more additional Transfer Agents. The Issuer will give prompt written notice to the Trustee of the appointment or termination of the Transfer Agent and of the location and any change in the location of the Transfer Agent’s office or agency. The Transfer Agent shall provide notice to the Holders of any such change or variation of which it receives notice.

(c) On or prior to the Closing Date, the Paying Agent shall establish a segregated non-interest bearing account designated as the **“Preferred Shares Collection Account,”** the deposits into which shall be held for the exclusive benefit of the Holders of the Preferred Shares. Any amounts deposited to the Preferred Shares Collection Account that constitute Class II Preferred Share Dividends shall for the benefit of and distributable only to the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares.

(d) The Paying Agent shall deposit any funds received from the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture representing payments on the Preferred Shares (including, without limitation, all distributions made to the Paying Agent by the Trustee pursuant to Article XI of the Indenture) into the Preferred Shares Collection Account, all of which shall be distributed to the Preferred Shareholders in accordance with Sections 4, 5, 6 and 25 of this Agreement.

Section 3. Authorized Representatives.

From time to time the Issuer will furnish the Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent (with a copy to the Trustee) with a signature list certifying the incumbency and specimen signatures of the Authorized Representatives. Each of the Paying Agent, the Transfer Agent and the Trustee shall be entitled to rely on the last such certificate delivered to it for the purposes of determining the identity of Authorized Representatives.

Section 4. Payment of Dividends.

(a) Subject to clause (c) below, on each Payment Date and the Redemption Date, the Holders of each Class of the Preferred Shares shall be entitled to receive dividends on each respective Class of the Preferred Shares in an amount equal to the amount of Excess Cash Flow allocable to such Class for such Payment Date less, with respect to the Redemption Date, such part of the Excess Cash Flow paid to redeem each respective Class of the Preferred Shares pursuant to Section 6 (in each case, subject to the Issuer having sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium of the Preferred Shares out of which to pay such amounts and, in the case of a payment from share premium, the Issuer being able to pay its debts as they fall due in the ordinary course of its business following such payment, in each case as determined by the Issuer).

Any Excess Cash Flow that constitutes part of the Class II Preferred Share Dividend will not be allocable to the Class I Preferred Shares, rather, such amounts will only be available for distributions on the Class II Preferred Shares.

The Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, shall promptly give notice of the amount of all Excess Cash Flow distributed hereunder (specifically identifying any Class II Preferred Shares Dividend Amount) for the relevant Payment Date to the Holders of the each Class of Preferred Shares in accordance with Section 12 hereof and to the Issuer, the Servicer and to Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. The Paying Agent shall also make such information available to each Class of Preferred Shareholders at the offices of the Paying Agent.

(b) Dividends, if any, will be paid on each Payment Date to the Holders of the Preferred Shares who are registered at the close of business on the Record Date for such Payment Date. Dividends payable to the Preferred Shares from Excess Cash Flow (other than those amounts constituting the Class II Preferred Share Dividend) shall be paid by the Paying Agent *pro rata* in the proportion that the number of Preferred Shares held by a Holder bears to the total number of Preferred Shares outstanding. Excess Cash Flow constituting Class II Preferred Share Dividends shall be paid by the Paying Agent *pro rata* in the proportion that the number of Class II Preferred Shares held by the related Holder bears to the total number of Class II Preferred Shares outstanding.

(c) On each Payment Date, Excess Cash Flow shall be paid to the Issuer, free and clear of the lien of the Indenture, to be applied to fund distributions to the holders of each respective Class of the Preferred Shares.

(d) To the extent the requirements under Cayman Islands law described in this Section 4 are not met, the Issuer shall notify the Paying Agent in writing, and upon receipt of such notice all amounts otherwise payable to the Holders of the Preferred Shares will be retained in the Preferred Shares Collection Account until, in the case of any payment by way of dividend, the next succeeding Payment Date on which the Issuer notifies the Paying Agent in writing that such requirements are met. Amounts on deposit in the Preferred Shares Collection Account will not be available to pay amounts due to the Holders of the Notes, the Trustee or any other creditor of the Issuer whose claim is limited in recourse to the Portfolio Collateral. However, amounts on deposit in the Preferred Shares Collection Account may be subject to the claims of creditors of the Issuer that have not contractually limited their recourse to the Portfolio Collateral.

Section 5. Procedures for Payment of Dividends and Redemption Price; Persons Deemed Owners; Withholding.

(a) All payments of dividends on the Preferred Shares and the payment of the Redemption Price for the Preferred Shares will be made in U.S. dollars and/or Payment Date Equity Securities. All of such payments in U.S. dollars shall be made by wire transfer from an account maintained by the Paying Agent (subject to usual and necessary banking procedures regarding U.S. Dollar denominated accounts), and payments of dividends shall be subject in all cases to any tax, fiscal or other laws or regulations applicable in the place of payment. Holders shall deliver a request to the Paying Agent setting forth the numbers of the Preferred Shares held by it and the Class designation of such Preferred Shares for which it shall receive payment by wire transfer and specifying the banking institution and account number (with any other appropriate information necessary to enable the Paying Agent to transmit such payment and to assure proper credit to such Holder's account) to which such payments are to be transferred. A record of each payment made will be maintained by or on behalf of the Paying Agent in accordance with its customary procedures, and such record shall be *prima facie* evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Issuer and the Paying Agent shall be fully protected in relying upon any such request in making payments on the Preferred Shares, and any payment transmitted in accordance with such request shall be deemed to have been made upon transmission thereof to the banking institution identified in such request.

(b) Unless the Holders request an off-shore Paying Agent pursuant to Section 2(a), all payments with respect to the Preferred Shares shall be made by the Paying Agent located in the United States of America.

(c) In the case where the Trust Termination Date or Redemption Date shall not be a Business Day, then payment need not be made on such date, but may be made on the next succeeding Business Day with the same force and effect as if made on the nominal date of any such Trust Termination Date or Redemption Date, as the case may be.

The Issuer shall not be obligated to pay any additional amounts to the Holders of the Preferred Shares in the event that amounts are withheld from (i) payments to the Issuer on any of the Portfolio Collateral included in the Trust Estate or (ii) payments on the Notes or the Preferred Shares. As a condition to the payment of capital and dividends on any Preferred Share, the Issuer may require that certification acceptable to it be furnished to the Issuer and the Paying Agent in order to enable the Issuer and the Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments in respect of such Preferred Share under any present or future law or regulation of the United States or any present or future law or regulation of any political subdivision thereof or taxing authority therein or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under any such law or regulation.

(d) The Issuer, the Paying Agent, the Transfer Agent and the Share Registrar shall deem and treat the registered Holder of any Preferred Share as the absolute owner of such Preferred Share, notwithstanding any notation of ownership or other writing on any certificate representing such Preferred Share, for the purpose of receiving dividends and the Redemption Price thereof and for all other purposes, and none of the Issuer, the Paying Agent, the Transfer Agent nor the Share Registrar shall be affected by any notice to the contrary. All such payments so made to such Holder or upon such Holder's order shall be valid and, to the extent of the sum or sums so paid, effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability for the monies payable upon any such Preferred Share.

Section 6. Redemption.

(a) On the Redemption Date, subject to the Issuer having sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium of the Preferred Shares out of which to pay such amounts and, in the case of a payment from share premium, the Issuer being able to pay its debts as they fall due in the ordinary course of business following such payment, in each case as determined by the Issuer, the Preferred Shares shall be redeemed in whole at the Redemption Price.

(b) All redemption payments (other than those amounts constituting the Class II Preferred Share Dividend) to a Holder shall be made *pro rata* in the proportion that the number of Preferred Shares held by such Holder bears to the total number of Preferred Shares. Any redemption payments constituting Class II Preferred Share Dividends paid to a Holder of a Class II Preferred Share shall be made *pro rata* in the proportion that the number of Class II Preferred Shares held by such Holder bears to the total number of Class II Preferred Shares.

(c) To the extent the requirements under Cayman Islands law described in this Section 6 are not met, the Issuer shall notify the Paying Agent in writing, and upon receipt of such notice, amounts otherwise payable to the Holders of the Preferred Shares will be retained in the Preferred Shares Collection Account until, in the case of any payment which would otherwise be payable on a redemption date of the Preferred Shares, the next succeeding Business Day on which the Issuer notifies the Paying Agent that such requirements are met. Amounts on deposit in the Preferred Shares Collection Account will not be available to pay amounts due to the Holders of the Notes, the Trustee or any other creditor of the Issuer whose claim is limited in recourse to the Portfolio Collateral. However, amounts on deposit in the Preferred Shares Collection Account may be subject to the claims of creditors of the Issuer that have not contractually limited their recourse to the Portfolio Collateral.

Section 7. Accountings; Reports by Paying Agent; Information to Holders.

(a) With respect to each Calculation Date, the Paying Agent shall render an accounting, determined as of such Calculation Date, and delivered to the Holders, the Issuer, the Servicer and the Initial Purchaser not later than the Business Day prior to the Payment Date related to such Calculation Date. The Paying Agent shall render such accounting by reference to the accounting delivered by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.5(b) of the Indenture. Such accounting shall contain the following information (stated in aggregate):

(i) the amount of Excess Cash Flow to be received by the Paying Agent from the Trustee on the related Payment Date;

(ii) the amounts payable as dividends on each Class of Preferred Shares on such Payment Date, specifically identifying any Class II Preferred Share Dividend payments; and

(iii) if such accounting relates to the Redemption Date, the Redemption Price payable with respect to the Preferred Shares on such Redemption Date and the amount, if any, payable as a dividend on such Redemption Date specifically identifying any Class II Preferred Share Dividend payments.

(b) On or prior to each Payment Date, the Paying Agent shall provide the Holders of each Class of Preferred Shares with a copy of the Note Valuation Report and Noteholder Report prepared for delivery pursuant to Section 10.5 of the Indenture (including the most recent Monthly Report delivered therewith), with the report prepared by the Paying Agent pursuant to Section 7(a) hereof.

(c) The Paying Agent shall provide the Holders of each Class of Preferred Shares with all notices received (and any ballots required in connection therewith) by the Paying Agent pursuant to the terms of the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement.

Section 8. Share Register; Registration, Transfer, Exchange; Persons Deemed Owners.

(a) The Issuer shall cause to be kept a register (the “**Share Register**”) in which, subject to such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe and to the Companies Law (2004 Revision) of the Cayman Islands (as amended from time to time), the Issuer shall provide for the registration of the Preferred Shares (and any other share capital of the Issuer) and the registration of transfers of the Preferred Shares (and any other share capital of the Issuer). The Administrator is hereby irrevocably appointed by the Issuer to act as the “**Share Registrar**” for the purpose of registering the Preferred Shares (and any other share capital of the Issuer) and all transfers of the Preferred Shares (and any other share capital of the Issuer) as herein provided (it being hereby acknowledged that nothing contained herein shall limit, bar or restrict the ability or the right of the Transfer Agent to appoint agents or to delegate duties from time to time); provided, however, that a duplicate Share Register shall be maintained at the offices of the Transfer Agent, who shall promptly provide a copy to the Administrator and the Trustee following the Closing Date and thereafter promptly upon any transfer or exchange information the Transfer Agent receives and shall notify the Administrator and the Trustee of any transfer or exchange of a Preferred Share. The Administrator will maintain the original Share Register. The Share Registrar and the Issuer may rely conclusively on any information or documentation provided by the Transfer Agent without any liability on their part, and the Transfer Agent may rely conclusively on any information or documentation provided by the Share Registrar or the Issuer with respect to the Share Registrar on the Preferred Shares without liability on its part. For purposes of distributions, notices or otherwise, the Paying Agent, the Transfer Agent and the Trustee may conclusively rely on the duplicate copy of the Share Register maintained by the Transfer Agent.

Preferred Shares sold outside the United States to non-U.S. Persons in reliance on Regulation S shall be represented by one or more permanent physical share certificates, in fully registered definitive form and substantially in the form of Exhibit A-2 attached hereto (the “**Regulation S Global Preferred Shares**” and, each, a “**Regulation S Global Preferred Share**”), which will be deposited with the Common Depositary on behalf of Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of Euroclear and/or Clearstream. Euroclear and/or Clearstream, as applicable, will credit the Regulation S Global Preferred Shares to the respective accounts designated by the subscribers of such Preferred Shares at Euroclear or Clearstream, as applicable. The registered owner of the relevant Regulation S Global Preferred Share (as indicated in the Share Register) shall be the only person entitled to receive payments in respect of the Preferred Shares represented by a Regulation S Global Preferred Share, and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the registered owner of such Regulation S Global Preferred Share in respect of each amount so paid. No person other than the registered owner of the relevant Regulation S Global Preferred Share shall have any claim against the Issuer in respect of any payment due on that Regulation S Global Preferred Share.

Preferred Shares sold in the United States to “qualified institutional buyers” within the meaning of Rule 144A under the Securities Act (“**Qualified Institutional Buyers**” and, each, a “**Qualified Institutional Buyer**”) who are U.S. Persons will be represented, on issue, by share certificates in definitive, fully registered form and substantially in the form of Exhibit A-3 attached hereto (“**Definitive Preferred Shares**” and, each, a “**Definitive Preferred Share**”).

Every certificate representing a Preferred Share presented or surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange shall (if so required by the Issuer or the Transfer Agent) be accompanied by a written

instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Issuer and the Transfer Agent duly executed by the Holder thereof or its attorney-in-fact duly authorized in writing.

No service charge shall be made to a Holder for any registration of transfer or exchange of Preferred Shares, but the Issuer and/or the Transfer Agent may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with any registration of transfer or exchange of Preferred Shares.

During the period of 15 days preceding any Payment Date, the Issuer shall not register the transfer of or to exchange any Preferred Shares.

Subject to the receipt by the Transfer Agent of a written certification substantially in the form of Exhibit D attached hereto (a “**Regulation S Transferor Certificate**”), a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Preferred Share may be exchanged at any time for a Definitive Preferred Share if such beneficial interest will be transferred to a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is a U.S. Person. Such Definitive Preferred Share will be registered in the name of the transferee.

Definitive Preferred Shares will be issued and exchanged for each Regulation S Global Preferred Share within thirty days of the occurrence of any of the following: (i) either Euroclear or Clearstream is closed for business for a continuous period of 14 days (other than by reason of holiday, statutory or otherwise) or announces an intention permanently to cease business and no alternative clearance system satisfactory to the Paying Agent is available, (ii) as a result of any amendment to, or change in, the laws or regulations of Cayman Islands or of any authority therein or thereof having power to tax or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations which becomes effective on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer or the Paying Agent are or will be required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Preferred Shares which would not be required were the Preferred Shares held as Definitive Preferred Shares, or (iii) the Issuer so elects by notice to the Holders of the Preferred Shares in accordance with this Agreement and Euroclear and/or Clearstream, as applicable, does not object. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Preferred Share may be exchanged for a Definitive Preferred Share only upon the receipt by the Transfer Agent from the owner of such beneficial interest of a Regulation S Transferor Certificate.

(b) No Preferred Shares may be sold or transferred (including, without limitation by pledge or hypothecation) unless such sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act and is exempt from registration under applicable state securities laws. No purported transfer of any interest in any Preferred Share or any portion thereof that is not made in accordance with this Section 8 shall be given effect by or be binding upon the Transfer Agent or the Issuer, and any such purported transfer shall be null and void *ab initio* and vest in the transferee no rights against the Paying Agent, the Transfer Agent or the Issuer.

A Holder of a Preferred Share may transfer a Preferred Share or its beneficial interest in a Preferred Share only in accordance with the following provisions:

(i) The Holder of a Preferred Share who is a Non-U.S. Person pursuant to Regulation S under the Securities Act may transfer such Preferred Share prior to the expiration of a one-year period beginning on the later of the Closing Date or on the day on which the offer of the Preferred Shares is completed (as notified in writing to the Paying Agent) (the “**Distribution Compliance Period**”), only (1) to a Non-U.S. Person who certifies that it is not a U.S. Person and is not acquiring the Preferred Share for the account or benefit of any U.S. Person and is a “qualified institutional buyer” within the meaning of Rule 144A under the Securities Act or (2) to a U.S. Person who agrees to receive a Restricted Preferred Share (as such term is defined in



paragraph (ii) below) and who certifies that it is a "qualified institutional buyer" within the meaning of Rule 144A under the Securities Act, and, in each case, agrees to resell such Preferred Share only in accordance with the provisions of Regulation S and Rule 144A, pursuant to registration under the Securities Act, or pursuant to an available exemption from registration under the Securities Act and agrees not to engage in hedging transactions with regard to such securities unless in compliance with the Securities Act. Each Holder of a Preferred Share (other than Non-U.S. Persons purchasing Preferred Shares in reliance on Regulation S and Rule 144A) is required to be a "qualified purchaser" within the meaning of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act or a "knowledgeable employee" within the meaning of Rule 3c-5 of the Investment Company Act and may only transfer such Preferred Share to a U.S. Person if that U.S. Person is also a "qualified purchaser" within the meaning of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act or a "knowledgeable employee" within the meaning of Rule 3c-5 of the Investment Company Act.

(ii) A Holder of a Preferred Share (a "**Restricted Preferred Share**") who is a U.S. Person may at any time transfer its interest in such Preferred Share only (a) to a Non-U.S. Person pursuant to Regulation S who is a "qualified institutional buyer" within the meaning of Rule 144A under the Securities Act, in each case, in transactions and (b) to a "qualified institutional buyer" within the meaning of Rule 144A under the Securities Act not requiring registration under the Securities Act, and, in each case (b), only to a transferee who is also a "qualified purchaser" within the meaning of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act or a "knowledgeable employee" within the meaning of Rule 3c-5 of the Investment Company Act.

(iii) The Transfer Agent shall require, prior to any such transfer of a Preferred Share, receipt by the Transfer Agent and the Issuer of (A) an Investor Certificate from such Preferred Shareholder's transferee and (B) as applicable, a Regulation S Transferor Certificate or a Rule 144A/Regulation D Transferor Certificate from such Holder, in each case certifying to the foregoing and the other matters covered by the forms of such certificates prescribed by this Agreement. Upon receipt of the Investor Certificate and the relevant Transferor Certificate, and the surrender to the Transfer Agent of the Preferred Share Certificate representing the Preferred Shares to be so transferred, the Transfer Agent shall cancel such Preferred Share Certificate, and the Issuer shall execute and provide to the Transfer Agent, and the Transfer Agent shall deliver, a Preferred Share Certificate representing the Preferred Shares intended to be transferred to such transferee (and, in the event of a partial transfer, the Issuer shall execute and provide to the Transfer Agent, and the Transfer Agent shall deliver, a Preferred Share Certificate representing the remaining balance of Preferred Shares to the transferring Holder). The Issuer shall cause the Share Register to be updated accordingly.

(iv) Transfers of beneficial interests in the Regulation S Global Preferred Shares may only be made by book-entry transfer of beneficial interests in the Regulation S Global Shares within Euroclear and/or Clearstream (and subject to the Common Depositary's applicable procedures) to non-U.S. Persons in accordance with Regulation S who are also "qualified institutional buyers" within the meaning of Rule 144A under the Securities Act. Each subsequent transferee shall be deemed to have made the applicable representation set forth in this Section 8(b)

(v) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in the event any Holder of Class II Preferred Shares wishes to transfer all or a portion of its Class II Preferred Shares (the "**Class II Seller**") to any qualified third party purchaser (the "**Class II Buyer**"), the Issuer shall redeem such Class II Preferred Shares and shall issue corresponding new Class I Preferred Shares. At least 10 days prior to any transfer by a Class II Seller to a Class II Buyer, such Class II Seller and

Class II Buyer shall jointly notify the Issuer, the Transfer Agent and the Servicer of their intention to effect such transfer of Class II Preferred Shares, in the form of Exhibit F (attached hereto) indicating the number of Class II Preferred Shares to be sold and the corresponding number of Class I Preferred Shares to be issued and acquired by the Class II Buyer, the price for such purchase and sale and the date on which such purchase and sale is expected to occur (such notice, the "**Sale Notice**"). The Issuer shall, on the date indicated in the Sale Notice subject to such redemption being approved in writing by the Board of Directors of the Issuer and subject to such redemption being in respect of 200,000 Class II Preferred Shares or more, redeem the indicated number of Class II Preferred Shares to be sold by the Class II Seller and issue an equal number of Class I Preferred Shares registered in the name of the Class II Buyer. The Class II Buyer shall pay the subscription price to the Issuer for the newly issued Class I Preferred Shares, and the Issuer shall immediately apply such amount to pay the redemption price to the Class II Seller for the redemption of such Class II Seller's Class II Preferred Shares.

(vi) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in the event the Holder of any Class II Preferred Shares (the "**Class I Buyer**") wishes to acquire any Class I Preferred Shares from any holder of Class I Preferred Shares (the "**Class I Seller**"), the Issuer shall redeem such Class I Preferred Shares and shall issue corresponding new Class II Preferred Shares. At least 10 days prior to any transfer by a Class I Seller to a Class I Buyer, such Class I Seller and Class I Buyer shall jointly notify the Issuer, the Transfer Agent and the Servicer of their intention to effect such acquisition of Class I Preferred Shares, indicating the number of Class I Preferred Shares to be sold by the Class I Seller, the corresponding number of Class II Preferred Shares to be issued and acquired by the Class I Buyer, respectively, the price for such purchase and sale and the date on which such purchase and sale is expected to occur (such notice, the "**Acquisition Notice**"). The Issuer shall, on the date indicated in the Sale Notice subject to such redemption being approved in writing by the Board of Directors of the Issuer and subject to such redemption being in respect of 200,000 Class I Preferred Shares or more, redeem the indicated number of Class I Preferred Shares to be sold by the Class I Seller and issue an equal number of Class II Preferred Shares registered in the name of the Class I Buyer. The Class I Buyer shall pay the subscription price to the Issuer for the newly issued Class II Preferred Shares, and the Issuer shall immediately apply such amount to pay the redemption price to the Class I Seller for the redemption of such Class I Seller's Class I Preferred Shares.

The Investor Certificate and any Rule 144A/Regulation D Transferor Certificate or Regulation S Transferor Certificate furnished pursuant to this Section 8(b) may be relied on conclusively by the Transfer Agent in determining whether the provisions of this Section 8(b) have been complied with. None of the Issuer, the Transfer Agent, or any other Person shall be required to register the Preferred Shares under the Securities Act or any state securities laws.

No delivery of an Investor Certificate, a 144A/Transferor Certificate or a Regulation S Transferor Certificate (as applicable) shall be required so long as each purchaser of Notes executes and delivers a transferee certificate acceptable to Bear Stearns (which certificate shall contain a representation that the transferee is a "qualified institutional buyer" within the meaning of Rule 144A under the Securities Act and shall, in the case of any transfer pursuant to Section 8(b)(iii), identify each transferee of a beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Preferred Share, including name, address, payment instructions and such other information as the Transfer Agent or Common Depositary reasonably may require), which transferee certificate shall be delivered to the Transfer Agent.

(c) The applicable procedures utilized or imposed from time to time by any Clearance System (collectively, "**Applicable Procedures**") shall be applicable to the Regulation S Global Preferred Shares insofar as and to the extent beneficial interests in such Regulation S Global Preferred Shares are held by

the agent members of or participants in Euroclear or Clearstream. Account holders or agent members of or participants in Euroclear or Clearstream shall have no rights under this Agreement with respect to such Regulation S Global Preferred Shares, and the Common Depositary as registered Holder of the Regulation S Global Preferred Shares may be treated by the Issuer and the Paying Agent as the owner of such Regulation S Global Preferred Shares for all purposes whatsoever. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein shall prevent the Issuer or the Paying Agent from giving effect to any written certification, proxy or other authorization furnished by any Clearance System or impair, as between the Clearance System and its agent members or participants, the operation of customary practices governing the exercise of the rights of a Holder of any Regulation S Global Preferred Shares. Requests or directions from, or votes of the Common Depositary or any Clearance System with respect to any matter shall not be deemed inconsistent if made with respect to (or in separate proportions corresponding to) different beneficial owners. The Paying Agent shall have no duty to monitor, maintain records concerning (or determine compliance with any of the restrictions on transfer set forth herein with respect to) owners of beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Preferred Shares. The Paying Agent shall have no liability for the accuracy of the records of the Common Depositary or any Clearance System, or any actions or omissions of the Common Depositary or any Clearance System (or of the agent members of or participants in any Clearance System).

(d) Except with respect to Preferred Shares sold to the Initial Purchaser, the minimum number of Preferred Shares (including the Preferred Share Components of the Combination Notes) that may be sold by the Issuer on the Closing Date or transferred by any Holder of Preferred Shares shall be 200,000 and integral multiples of \$1 share in excess thereof.

(e) Regulation S Global Preferred Shares will trade notionally in an amount equal to U.S.\$1 for each Preferred Share.

(f) The Preferred Shares may not be acquired or held by any employee benefit plan (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) subject to Title I of ERISA ("**ERISA Plan**" and, together with individual retirement accounts and Keogh plans subject to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, "**Plans**") or Plan or other "benefit plan investor" (as defined in Section 3(42) of ERISA) ("**Benefit Plan Investor**"), including a life insurance company general account. However, Preferred Shares may be acquired and held by or on behalf of, or with "plan assets" of, a Plan or other Benefit Plan Investor if (a)(1)(A) the investor is purchasing the Preferred Shares with assets of an "insurance company general account" (within the meaning of PTCE 95-60) (a "**General Account**"); (B) the investor's purchase and holding of the Preferred Shares are eligible for the exemptive relief available under Section I of PTCE 95-60; (C) less than 25% of the assets of such General Account constitute "plan assets" of Benefit Plan Investors; and (D) if, after the initial acquisition of the Preferred Shares, during any calendar quarter, 25% or more of the assets of such General Account (as determined by such insurance company) constitute "plan assets" of any Plan or other Benefit Plan Investor and full exemptive relief from the prohibited transaction prohibitions of Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code is not available under Section 401(c) of ERISA and the regulations thereunder then such investor will dispose of all of the Preferred Shares then held in such General Account by the end of the next following calendar quarter; (2) the investor's purchase and holding of the Preferred Shares are eligible for the exemptive relief available under any of Sections 408(b)(17) of ERISA or PTCE 96-23, 91-38, 90-1 or 84-14; and (b) after giving effect to such purchase and all other purchases occurring simultaneously therewith, less than 25% of each Class of the Preferred Shares (excluding the Preferred Shares held by the Servicer and its affiliates or clients) will constitute "plan assets" of Benefit Plan Investors.

By its purchase of the Preferred Shares, each purchaser and transferee will be required to represent, warrant and agree in writing that (i) its purchase and holding of such Preferred Shares will satisfy the ERISA requirements described in the preceding paragraph and (ii) it will not assign or transfer

such Preferred Shares unless (1) the proposed assignee or transferee delivers a letter to the Issuer evidencing its agreement to the foregoing ERISA representations and covenants with respect to its purchase, holding and transfer of such Preferred Shares; and (2) if the investor (x) is not (and is not acting on behalf of) a Benefit Plan Investor, the assignee or transferee will also not be a Benefit Plan Investor; or (y) is (or is acting on behalf of) a General Account, the assignee or transferee will be accurately identified in such letter as either another General Account or a person who is not (and is not acting on behalf of) a Benefit Plan Investor; or (z) is (or is acting on behalf of or with “plan assets” of) a Benefit Plan Investor (other than a General Account), the assignee or transferee will be accurately identified in such letter as either a General Account, another Benefit Plan Investor or a person who is not (and is not acting on behalf of) any Benefit Plan Investor; provided that for purposes of clauses (x), (y) and (z), a transfer by a Holder (the “**Transferring Holder**”) to Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. in a secondary market transaction and subsequent transfers by Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. to a Holder (the “**Transferee Holder**”), shall be deemed to be a transfer by the Transferring Holder to the Transferee Holder and Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. may therefore transfer such Preferred Shares to any potential Holder to whom the Transferring Holder would be permitted to transfer.

(g) No Preferred Share shall be sold or transferred (including, without limitation, by pledge or hypothecation) to a U.S. Person unless such purchaser or transferee is a “qualified purchaser” within the meaning of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act or a “knowledgeable employee” within the meaning of Rule 3c-5 of the Investment Company Act. The Transfer Agent may conclusively rely on the statement in any Investor Certificate, and shall be entitled to rely conclusively on the continuing accuracy thereof from time to time (unless and until a Responsible Officer is otherwise notified in writing by the signatory thereto or by the Issuer) in determining whether the provisions of this Section 8(f) have been complied with. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, no transfer of a Preferred Share may be made if such transfer would require registration of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Investment Company Act (subject, with respect to the Transfer Agent’s duties, to Section 8(g) below).

(h) At any time when the Issuer is not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, upon the request of any Preferred Shareholder, the Issuer shall promptly furnish to such Preferred Shareholder or to a prospective purchaser of any Preferred Share designated by such Preferred Shareholder, as the case may be, the information which the Issuer determines to be required to be delivered pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act (“**Rule 144A Information**”) in order to permit compliance by such Preferred Shareholder with Rule 144A in connection with the resale of such Preferred Share by such Preferred Shareholder; *provided that* the Issuer shall not be required to provide audited financial statements more than once a year or to furnish Rule 144A Information in connection with any request made on or after the date that is three years from the later of (i) the date such Preferred Share (or any predecessor Preferred Share) was acquired from the Issuer or (ii) the date such Preferred Share (or any predecessor Preferred Share) was last acquired from an “affiliate” of the Issuer within the meaning of Rule 144A, in each case as determined by the Issuer. Upon request by the Issuer, the Transfer Agent shall cooperate with the Issuer in mailing or otherwise distributing (at the Issuer’s expense) to such Preferred Shareholders or prospective purchasers, at and pursuant to the Issuer’s written direction, the foregoing materials prepared and provided by the Issuer, *provided that* the Transfer Agent shall be entitled to affix thereto or enclose therewith such disclaimers as the Transfer Agent shall deem reasonably appropriate, at its discretion (such as, for example, a disclaimer that such Rule 144A Information was assembled by the Issuer, and not by the Transfer Agent, that the Transfer Agent has not reviewed or verified the accuracy thereof, and that it makes no representation as to the sufficiency of such information under Rule 144A or for any other purpose).

(i) Neither the Transfer Agent nor the Paying Agent shall be responsible for ascertaining whether any transfer of the Preferred Shares complies with, or otherwise for monitoring or determining compliance with, the requirements or terms of the Securities Act, applicable state securities laws, ERISA,

the Code or the Investment Company Act; except that if a certificate is specifically required by the terms of this Section 8 to be provided to the Transfer Agent or the Paying Agent by a transferee of the Preferred Shares, a transferor of the Preferred Shares, or the Issuer, the Transfer Agent or the Paying Agent, as applicable, shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine whether it conforms substantially on its face to the applicable requirements of this Section 8.

(j) If a Responsible Officer of the Transfer Agent becomes aware that (i) a transfer or attempted or purported transfer of any of the Preferred Shares or any interest therein was consummated in compliance with the provisions of this Section 8 on the basis of a materially incorrect certification from the transferor or purported transferee, (ii) a transferee failed to deliver to the Transfer Agent any certificate required to be delivered hereunder, or (iii) the Holder of any Preferred Share or interest therein is in material breach of any representation or agreement set forth in any certificate or any deemed representation or agreement of such Holder, then the Transfer Agent will not register such attempted or purported transfer, and, if a transfer has been registered, such transfer shall be absolutely null and void *ab initio* and shall vest no rights in the purported transferee (such purported transferee, a “**Disqualified Transferee**”), and the last preceding Holder of such Preferred Share that was not a Disqualified Transferee shall be restored to all rights as a Holder thereof retroactively to the date of transfer of such Preferred Share by such Holder.

(k) 3,250,000 of the Class I Preferred Shares will be issued as part of the Combination Notes issued pursuant to the Indenture and will comprise the Preferred Share Component thereof. In accordance with provisions of Article XVI of the Indenture, payments on the Preferred Share Component of the Combination Notes will be deposited in the Preferred Shares Collection Account and distributed by the Paying Agent to the Holders of the Combination Notes on each Payment Date in accordance with the provisions hereof. Subject to Section 2.5(b)(vii) of the Indenture, no separate Preferred Share Certificates will be issued to represent the Preferred Share Components until the Note Components of the Combination Notes are paid in full. The certificates for the Combination Notes will represent the Preferred Shares comprising the Preferred Share Components. Transfers of Preferred Shares that constitute Preferred Share Components of the Combination Notes will be made according to the provisions set forth in Section 2.5 of the Indenture.

#### Section 9. Liability.

Neither the Paying Agent nor the Transfer Agent nor the directors, officers, employees or agents of either of them shall be liable for any act or omission hereunder except that the Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent shall be liable in the case of gross negligence, bad faith, or willful misconduct of the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent or any of their respective directors, officers, employees, affiliates or agents, as the case may be, in violation of the duties of the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent under this Agreement. The duties and obligations of the Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent and their respective employees or agents shall be determined solely by the express provisions of this Agreement, and they shall not be liable except for the performance of such duties and obligations as are specifically set forth herein, and no implied covenants shall be read into this Agreement against them. The Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent may consult with counsel selected by them with reasonable care and shall be protected in any action reasonably taken in good faith in accordance with the advice of such counsel.

The Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent each may rely conclusively on any notice, certificate instruction, consent, waiver, or other document (including any photocopy or facsimile) furnished to it hereunder and reasonably believed by it in good faith to be genuine. Neither the Paying Agent nor the Transfer Agent shall be liable for any action taken by it in good faith and reasonably believed by it to be within the discretion or powers conferred upon it, or taken by it pursuant to any direction or instruction by which it is governed hereunder, or omitted to be taken by it by reason of the lack of direction or

instruction required hereby for such action. The Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent shall in no event be liable for the application or misapplication of funds by any other Person, or for the acts or omissions of any other Person. The Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent shall not be bound to make any investigation into the facts or matters stated in any certificate, report or other document; *provided that*, if the form thereof is prescribed by this Agreement, the Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent, as the case may be, shall examine the same to determine whether it conforms on its face to the requirements hereof. The Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent each may exercise or carry out any of its duties under this Agreement either directly or indirectly through agents or attorneys, and shall not be responsible for any acts or omissions on the part of any such agent or attorney appointed with due care, provided that the Paying Agent or, as the case may be, the Transfer Agent ensure that such agent or attorney are directly liable to the Issuer. To the extent permitted by applicable law, neither the Paying Agent nor the Transfer Agent shall be required to give any bond or surety in the execution of its duties. Neither the Paying Agent nor the Transfer Agent shall be deemed to have knowledge or notice of any matter unless actually known by a Responsible Officer of the Paying Agent or Transfer Agent, as applicable, or unless the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent, as applicable, has received written notice thereof from the Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee, or the Holder of a Preferred Share. The Paying Agent shall not be obligated to make payments hereunder unless it has received (or is reasonably certain it will receive) the applicable amounts from the Trustee for which such payment is to be made. Neither the Paying Agent nor the Transfer Agent shall be charged with knowledge or notice of any matter unless actually known to a Responsible Officer of the Paying Agent or Transfer Agent responsible for the administration of this Agreement or unless written notice of such matter has been delivered to the Paying Agent or Transfer Agent as provided in Section 12 making reference to this Agreement, the Indenture, the Issuer, the Preferred Shares or the Notes. Any permissive grant of power to the paying Agent or Transfer Agent hereunder shall not be construed to imposed as duty to act. Nothing herein shall obligate the Paying Agent or Transfer Agent to advance its own funds, or to expend or risk its own funds or incur any expense or financial liability for which it is not, in its reasonable judgment, adequately indemnified. Neither the Paying Agent nor the Transfer Agent shall be liable for any indirect, special or consequential damages (included but not limited to lost profits) whatsoever, even if it has been informed of the likelihood thereof and regardless of the form of action.

#### Section 10. Indemnification.

Subject to the terms of the Indenture, the Issuer agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent, and their respective directors, officers, employees, affiliates and agents from and against any and all liabilities, costs and expenses (including reasonable legal fees and expenses) relating to or arising out of or in connection with its or their performance under this Agreement, except to the extent that they are caused by the gross negligence, bad faith, or willful misconduct of the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent, as the case may be. The foregoing indemnity includes, but is not limited to, any action taken or omitted in good faith within the scope of this Agreement upon telephone, telecopier or other electronically transmitted instructions, if authorized herein, received from or reasonably believed by the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent, as the case may be, acting in good faith, to have been given by, an Authorized Representative. This indemnity shall survive the resignation or removal of the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent, as the case may be, and the satisfaction or termination of this Agreement.

#### Section 11. Compensation of the Paying Agent and Transfer Agent.

Pursuant to, and at the times and to the extent contemplated by the Indenture, the Issuer shall pay to the Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent compensation at such amounts and/or rates as shall be agreed between the Issuer and, as applicable, the Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent and from time to time shall reimburse the Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent for their respective reasonable out-of-pocket expenses (including reasonable legal fees and expenses), disbursements, and advances incurred or made

in accordance with any provisions of this Agreement, except any such expense, disbursement, or advance that may be attributable to its gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct. The obligations of the Issuer to the Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent pursuant to the Indenture and this Section shall survive the resignation or removal of the Trustee and the satisfaction or termination of this Agreement. Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary (other than with respect to Section 28), to the extent any amounts owing to the Paying Agent and/or the Transfer Agent from time to time pursuant to this Section 11 shall remain unpaid, the Paying Agent and/or the Transfer Agent shall be entitled, after having provided reasonable notice in writing to the Issuer, the Trustee, to pay to itself, for application to such unpaid amounts, any funds held or received by it at any time or times under or pursuant to this Agreement prior to making payment of amounts otherwise required under this Agreement to be made to the Preferred Shareholders (or any other Persons).

## Section 12. Notices.

(a) All communications by or on behalf of the Issuer relating to the transfer, exchange, or payment in respect of a Preferred Share or any interest therein shall be directed to the Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent at its address set forth in subsection (c)(ii) hereof.

(b) The Paying Agent shall notify the Preferred Shareholders of the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture of which it receives notice from the Trustee.

Where this Agreement provides for notice to Preferred Shareholders of any event, such notice shall be sufficiently given (unless otherwise herein expressly provided) if such notice is in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, to each Preferred Shareholder affected by such event, at such Preferred Shareholder's address as it appears on the Share Register, in the case of (a) or (b) not later than the latest date, and not earlier than the earliest date, prescribed for the giving of such notice.

Neither the failure to mail such notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Preferred Shareholder shall affect the sufficiency of such notice with respect to other Preferred Shareholders. Any notice that is given in the manner herein provided shall conclusively be presumed to have been duly given whether or not actually received by such Preferred Shareholder. Any notice to Preferred Shareholders provided for in this Agreement will be deemed to have been given on the date of mailing.

Where this Agreement provides for notice in any manner, such notice may be waived in writing by any Person entitled to receive such notice, either before or after the event, and such waiver shall be the equivalent of such notice. Waivers of notice by Preferred Shareholders shall be filed with the Paying Agent but such filing shall not be a condition precedent to the validity of any action taken in reliance upon such waiver.

In the event that, by reason of the suspension of the regular mail service as a result of a strike, work stoppage or similar activity, it shall be impractical to mail notice of any event to Preferred Shareholders when such notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this Agreement, then any manner of giving such notice as shall be satisfactory to the Paying Agent shall be deemed to be a sufficient giving of such notice.

(c) Notices and other communications hereunder shall (except to the extent otherwise expressly provided) be in writing and shall be addressed as follows, or to such other addresses as the parties hereto shall specify from time to time:

- (i) if to the Issuer:

ROCKWALL CDO II LTD.  
c/o Maples Finance Limited  
P.O. Box 1093GT  
Queensgate House  
South Church Street  
George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands  
Attention: The Directors  
Telephone: (345) 945-7099  
Telefax: (345) 945-7100

- (ii) if to the Trustee, the Paying Agent or to the Transfer Agent:

Investors Bank & Trust Company  
200 Clarendon Street  
Mail Code EUC108  
Boston, MA 02116  
Attention: CDO Services Unit (Rockwall CDO II)  
Facsimile: (617) 351-4358

- (iii) if to the Servicer:

Highland Capital Management, LP  
Two Galleria Tower  
13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300  
Dallas, Texas 75240  
Attention: James Dondero  
Facsimile: (972) 628-4147

- (iv) if to the Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc.:

Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc.  
383 Madison Avenue  
New York, New York 10179  
Telephone: (212) 272-4955  
Attention: Strategic Financial Products, Senior Managing Director

Section 13. Resignation or Removal of Paying Agent and Appointment of Successor Paying Agent; Merger, Conversion and Consolidation.

(a) The Issuer agrees, for the benefit of the Holders from time to time of the Preferred Shares, that there shall at all times be a Paying Agent and a Transfer Agent hereunder, each of which shall be a company authorized to engage in the activities set forth in this Agreement, subject to supervision or examination by governmental authorities, until all the Preferred Shares shall have been redeemed.

(b) The Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent may at any time resign as such agent by giving written notice to the Issuer and S&P of such intention on its part, specifying the date on which its desired resignation shall become effective; *provided* that such date shall be not less than 90 days after the giving



of such notice by the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent to the Issuer. The Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent may be removed at any time by the filing with it of an instrument in writing signed by an Authorized Representative of the Issuer and specifying such removal and the date, which shall be at least thirty days after the date of such written notice, upon which it is intended to become effective. The Issuer shall give written notice of any removal of the Paying Agent or Transfer Agent to S&P. Any such resignation or removal shall take effect on the date of the appointment by the Issuer of a successor Paying Agent or Transfer Agent and the acceptance of such appointment by such successor Paying Agent or Transfer Agent that qualifies as such under Section 13(a) hereof. The Issuer shall give written notice of the appointment of any successor Paying Agent or Transfer Agent to S&P. In the event of resignation by the Paying Agent or Transfer Agent, if a successor agent has not been appointed by the Issuer within 90 days after the giving of notice by the Paying Agent or Transfer Agent of its intention to resign, the Paying Agent or Transfer Agent, as applicable, may, at the expense of the Issuer, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for appointment of a successor Paying Agent or Transfer Agent provided that it shall be qualified under Section 13(a) hereof. Upon any such resignation or removal, the Paying Agent shall transfer to the successor Paying Agent or Transfer Agent (or, if none shall have been appointed, to the Issuer) all monies held by the Paying Agent or Transfer Agent on behalf of the Issuer in respect of any Preferred Shares and all books and records related to Preferred Shares maintained by the Paying Agent or Transfer Agent, including a copy of the Share Register.

(c) Any corporation or bank into which the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent hereunder may be merged or converted, or any corporation or bank with which the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent may be consolidated, or any corporation or bank resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent shall be a party, or any corporation or bank to which the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent shall sell or otherwise transfer all or substantially all of the corporate trust business of the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent, provided that it shall be qualified under Section 13(a) hereof, shall be the successor Paying Agent or successor Transfer Agent, as applicable, under this Agreement, without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto.

(d) The successor Paying Agent or the successor Transfer Agent, as applicable, shall give prompt notice of the resignation and removal of the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent, as applicable, and the appointment of a successor Paying Agent or successor Transfer Agent, as applicable, by notifying the Holders of the Preferred Shares in accordance with Section 12 hereof. Each notice shall include the name of the successor Paying Agent or successor Transfer Agent, as applicable, and the address of the office from which this Agreement shall be administered.

#### Section 14. Benefit of Agreement.

This Agreement is solely for the benefit of the parties hereto, the Holders of the Preferred Shares from time to time, and their respective successors and assigns, and nothing herein, express or implied, shall give to any other persons any benefits or any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under or by virtue of this Agreement. No party hereto may assign any of its rights or obligations hereunder except with the prior written consent of all the parties hereto.

#### Section 15. Preferred Shares Held by the Paying Agent; Other Business Relations.

Each of the Paying Agent or the Transfer Agent, in its individual or other capacity, may become the owner or pledgee of Preferred Shares with the same rights it would have if it were not acting as Paying Agent or Transfer Agent hereunder. The Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent may each conduct other business with the Issuer from time to time (including but not limited to its appointment and service as a paying agent under the Indenture).

Section 16. Amendment.

(a) Without the consent of any Holders of Preferred Shares, the Issuer, the Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent, at any time, may enter into one or more agreements supplemental hereto for any of the following purposes:

(1) to evidence the succession of a successor entity to the Issuer and the assumption by any such successor of the covenants of the Issuer herein and in the Preferred Shares;

(2) to take any action deemed reasonably necessary by the Issuer to prevent the reduction of dividends payable on the Preferred Shares as a result of the imposition of any taxes;

(3) to evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment hereunder by a successor Paying Agent or Transfer Agent with respect to the Preferred Shares;

(4) to correct any manifest error with respect to any provision herein;

(5) to cure any ambiguity, correct or supplement any provision herein which may be inconsistent with any other provision hereunder, or to make any other provisions with respect to matters or questions arising herein;

(6) to take any action necessary or helpful to prevent the Issuer from being subject to any withholding or other taxes, fees or assessments or to reduce the risk that the Issuer or the Paying Agent, as applicable, will be engaged in a United States trade or business or otherwise subject to United States income tax on a net income basis; or

(7) to prevent the Issuer from becoming an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act or better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 thereunder; *provided* that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental agreement, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Initial Purchaser shall have (A) satisfied the Rating Condition with respect to such supplemental agreement and (B) received a customary, unqualified opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such supplemental agreement, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act;

*provided* that in each case that such action for any matters described in clauses (1) through (6) will not adversely affect the interests of the Holders of Preferred Shares in any material respect.

(b) With the consent of the Majority Preferred Shareholders affected by a supplemental agreement or agreement referred to below, the Issuer and the Paying Agent and/or Transfer Agent, as applicable, may enter into an agreement or agreements supplemental hereto for the purpose of adding any provisions to, or changing in any manner or eliminating any of the provisions of, this Agreement or of modifying in any manner the rights of the Holders of Preferred Shares under this Agreement; *provided* that no such supplemental agreement will, without the consent of the Holder of each outstanding Preferred Share affected thereby:

(1) change the method or methods by which dividends will be determined for any Preferred Share or reduce the par value thereof or change the coin or currency in which such amounts are payable, or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after the stated maturity thereof;

(2) reduce the percentage amount of the outstanding Preferred Shares, the consent of whose Holders is required for any such supplemental agreement, or the consent of whose Holders is required for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of this Agreement or certain defaults hereunder and their consequences provided for in this Agreement; or

(3) modify any of the provisions of this Agreement relating to the modification thereof, except to increase any such percentage or to provide that certain other provisions of this Agreement cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each outstanding Preferred Share affected thereby.

The Issuer shall provide to each Initial Rating Agency then rating any Notes or Combination Notes, written notice of any such supplemental agreement or agreement supplemental to this Agreement at least 5 days prior to the execution thereof.

Prior to executing any amendment, the Issuer shall provide to the Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent an Opinion of Counsel stating that such amendment is authorized and permitted hereunder.

In the event that any amendment is consented to by the Issuer and 100% of the aggregate outstanding Preferred Shares and the Rating Condition is satisfied or is specifically waived by all consenting parties, all conditions precedent to the execution of such amendment shall be deemed satisfied, the execution of such amendment shall be authorized or permitted by this Agreement, and the Paying and Transfer Agent shall execute and accept the such amendment pursuant to this Section 16 without obtaining an Opinion of Counsel.

In the case of any supplemental Indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of the Notes or Preferred Shares, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Notes and Preferred Shares held by such Holder whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental Indenture (the "**Amendment Buy-Out Option**") for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all Notes and Preferred Shares of Non-Consenting Holders, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes or Preferred Shares the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an "**Amendment Buy-Out**"). By its acceptance of a Note or Preferred Share, each Holder of a Note and Preferred Share agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder shall be required to sell its applicable Note or Preferred Share to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

All purchases made pursuant to the Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Preferred Shares set forth herein and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

Section 17. Governing Law.

This Agreement is to be delivered and performed in, and shall be construed and enforced in accordance with, and the rights of the parties shall be governed by, the laws of the State of New York.

Section 18. Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed by the parties hereto in any number of counterparts, and by each of the parties hereto in separate counterparts, and each such counterpart, when so executed and

delivered, shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

Section 19. Exhibits.

The exhibits to this Agreement are hereby incorporated and made a part hereof and are an integral part of this Agreement.

Section 20. No Petition.

The Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent, by entering into this Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, each hereby covenant and agree that they will not at any time institute against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, or voluntarily join in any institution against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of, any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency or liquidation proceedings, or other proceedings under any Cayman Islands, United States federal or state bankruptcy or similar law of any jurisdiction within or without the United States in connection with any obligations relating to the Preferred Shares or this Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement for a period of one-year and one-day (or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect) following the Trust Termination Date or, if later, the date upon which the Preferred Shares are redeemed.

Section 21. Prescription.

Dividends and the Redemption Price payable with respect to the Preferred Shares will cease to be payable by the Issuer if the share certificates with respect to the Preferred Shares are not presented for payment within ten years from the related Relevant Date therefor. "**Relevant Date**" means the date on which the final payment in respect of the Preferred Shares first becomes due, except that if the full amount of the monies payable has not been duly received by the Paying Agent on or prior to such due date, it means the date on which such monies have been so received.

Section 22. Identification of Preferred Shareholders.

On demand of the Issuer, a Holder of a Preferred Share will notify the Issuer whether or not the Preferred Share is held by a U.S. Person and the name and status of the Holder as an individual, partnership, limited liability company, corporation, trust or other entity and such other information the Issuer shall reasonably request for purposes of tax reporting of the Issuer or other Preferred Shareholders (including, in the case of a Holder that is a pass-through entity for federal income tax purposes, information relating to the beneficial owners of the Holder).

Section 23. Tax Matters.

(a) If required to prevent the withholding and imposition of United States income tax, the Issuer shall deliver or cause to be delivered a United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-8BEN to each issuer, counterparty or paying agent with respect to each item of Portfolio Collateral, each Eligible Investment, each Hedge Agreement and each Synthetic Security included in the Trust Estate at the time such item of Portfolio Collateral, Eligible Investment, Hedge Agreement or Synthetic Security is acquired or entered into by the Issuer and periodically thereafter prior to the last day of the third succeeding calendar year (or otherwise upon the expiration or obsolescence of such form).

(b) It is the intention of the parties hereto and, by its acceptance of a Preferred Share, each holder of a Preferred Share shall be deemed to have agreed not to treat the Issuer as being engaged in the active

conduct of a banking, financing, insurance, or other similar business for purposes of section 954(e)(2) of the Code.

(c) It is the intention of the parties hereof that, for purposes of U.S. federal income, state and local income and franchise tax and any other similar taxes, the Issuer will be treated as a non-U.S. corporation, each Preferred Share will be treated as equity in the Issuer and the Notes will be treated as debt of the Issuer. The Issuer and each holder of a Preferred Share, by acceptance of a Preferred Share, agrees to such treatment and agrees to take no action inconsistent with such treatment and agrees that the terms of the Transaction Documents will be interpreted to further this intention of the parties.

(d) Each of the Issuer, the Trustee, and holder of Preferred Shares agrees that it does not intend for this Agreement to represent an agreement to enter into a partnership, a joint venture or any other business entity for United States federal income tax purposes, and none of such parties shall represent or otherwise hold themselves out to the IRS or other third parties as partners in a partnership or members of a joint venture or other business entity for United States federal income tax purposes. The Issuer, the Trustee, and each holder of Preferred Shares agrees that it will not elect for the Issuer to be treated as a partnership or disregarded entity for United States federal income tax purposes.

(e) The Issuer will take all actions necessary in order to permit Holders of Preferred Shares and holders of any Class of Notes that is or may reasonably be characterized as an equity interest in the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes, to make a "qualified electing fund" election with respect to the Issuer for United States income tax purposes.

(f) The Issuer will provide, upon the reasonable request of any Holder of Preferred Shares and any holder of a Class of Notes that is or may reasonably be characterized as an equity interest in the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes, any information the Issuer has reasonably available to it that may (1) assist such holder with regard to filing requirements that such holder may have as a result of the controlled foreign corporation rules under the Code or (2) assist such holder in fulfilling any filing requirements they may have under section 6038, 6038B or 6046 of the Code.

(g) Each Holder of a Preferred Share agrees to provide the Issuer, upon request, with such information as may reasonably be requested by the Issuer (including but not limited to information relating to the beneficial owner of the Preferred Share) in connection with the Issuer's fulfillment of its tax reporting, notification, withholding and similar obligations arising under the Code (as amended from time to time) or the Transaction Documents.

(h) By its acceptance of a Preferred Share, each holder and beneficial owner of a Preferred Share that is not a United States person (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) will be deemed to have represented that (x) it is not a bank within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code or an affiliate of a bank or, alternatively, it is such a bank or an affiliate of a bank but it is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates U.S. federal income taxation of U.S. source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States and (y) it is not purchasing the Preferred Share in order to reduce its U.S. Federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan within the meaning of Treas. Reg. 1.881-3(b).

Section 24. Acceptance of Section 13.12 of the Indenture.

Any appointed off-shore Paying Agent shall be bound by Section 13.12 of the Indenture entitled "No Issuer Office Within the United States."

Section 25. Termination of the Trust Estate by the Trustee.

Within one Business Day of, the Trust Termination Date, the Trustee shall remit to the Paying Agent all Excess Cash Flow, and the Paying Agent shall distribute all of such Excess Cash Flow to the Preferred Shareholders in redemption of the Preferred Shares and, if applicable, in payment of dividends with respect to the Preferred Shares.

Section 26. Covenants of the Issuer.

(a) The Issuer, for the benefit of the Holders of the Preferred Shares hereby incorporates *mutatis mutandis* the covenants of the Issuer set forth in the Indenture.

(b) The Issuer shall not take the following actions without consent of the Majority Preferred Shareholders:

- (i) the exercise of the Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.1 of the Indenture;
- (ii) the exercise of the Tax Event Redemption pursuant to Section 9.5 of the Indenture; or
- (iii) any amendment to the Indenture increasing the Applicable Periodic Rate for any Class of Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of any Class of Notes or Combination Notes, the Optional Redemption Price or the Mandatory Redemption Price or modifying Article XI of the Indenture in a manner that affects or limits in any respect the amount of distributions that will be made with respect to the Preferred Shares.

It shall be the responsibility of the Issuer to satisfy the Paying Agent as to the compliance with the foregoing conditions (on which the Paying Agent may rely in good faith).

(c) Without the consent of Preferred Shareholders representing at least 66-2/3% of the Preferred Shares materially and adversely affected thereby, the Issuer shall not enter into any amendment or supplement to the Indenture that shall:

- (i) change the maturity of the principal of or interest on any Note or Combination Note or reduce the principal amount thereof or the rate of interest thereon or change the time or amount of any other amount payable in respect of any Note or Combination Notes;
- (ii) reduce the percentage of Holders of Notes whose consent is required for the authorization of any supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of the Indenture;
- (iii) impair or adversely affect the Trust Estate securing the Notes;
- (iv) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on parity with the lien of the Indenture with respect to any part of the Trust Estate or terminate the lien of the Indenture;
- (v) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes or the number or amount of the Preferred Shares whose Holders must direct the Trustee to preserve the Trust Estate or must consent before any request is made to rescind the Trustee's election to preserve the Trust Estate pursuant to Section 5.5 of the Indenture, or to sell or liquidate the Trust Estate pursuant to Section

5.4, 5.5 or 9.7 thereof or modify the requirement for consent of any other party to which the right to consent is expressly granted thereby;

(vi) modify any of the provisions of Section 8.2 or Section 5.15 of the Indenture except to increase any such percentage or to provide that certain other provisions of the Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note affected thereby;

(vii) modify the provisions of Article XI of the Indenture or the definition of the terms "Holder," "Noteholder," "Majority Noteholder," "Majority Preferred Shareholder," "Outstanding," or "Requisite Noteholder;"

(viii) modify any provision of the Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount or timing of any payment of interest or principal due on any Note on any Payment Date (including the calculation of any of the individual components of such calculation) or any other amount in respect of any Note, or to affect the rights of the Holders of Notes to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of such Notes contained in the Indenture;

(ix) modify any provision relating to the institution of proceedings for the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to be adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent; or

(x) amend any provision that provides that the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer are non-recourse obligations.

(d) (i) On or before sixty (60) Business Days prior to the August 2010 Payment Date, the Paying Agent shall send to each Preferred Shareholder notification of the right of the Holders of at least 66-2/3% of the outstanding Eligible Preferred Shares eligible to vote in accordance with the Indenture to direct the Issuer to exercise the Optional Redemption by Liquidation pursuant to Section 9.1(a) of the Indenture with instructions to notify the Paying Agent of its exercise of such right on or before the thirtieth Business Day preceding the proposed Optional Redemption Date (which shall be a Payment Date on or after the August 2010 Payment Date and shall be set forth in the direction by electing Preferred Shareholders to the Paying Agent), and such notification to Preferred Shareholders will be deemed sufficient if substantially in the form of Exhibit E attached hereto. Upon receipt of such direction by such Preferred Shareholders to so exercise such right, the Paying Agent shall notify the Issuer and the Trustee of the Paying Agent's receipt of such direction of Preferred Shareholders and shall direct the Issuer to, and the Issuer shall, send the applicable notice in accordance with Section 9.6 of the Indenture.

(ii) On or before sixty (60) Business Days prior to the August 2010 Payment Date, the Paying Agent shall send to each Preferred Shareholder notification of the right of the Holders of at least a Majority of the outstanding Eligible Preferred Shares eligible to vote in accordance with the Indenture to direct the Issuer to exercise the Optional Redemption by Refinancing pursuant to Section 9.1(b) of the Indenture with instructions to notify the Paying Agent of its exercise of such right on or before the thirtieth Business Day preceding the proposed Optional Redemption Date (which shall be a Payment Date on or after the August 2010 Payment Date and shall be set forth in the direction by electing Preferred Shareholders to the Paying Agent), and such notification to Preferred Shareholders will be deemed sufficient if substantially in the form of Exhibit E attached hereto. Upon receipt of such direction by such Preferred Shareholders to so exercise such right, the Paying Agent shall notify the Issuer and the Trustee of the Paying Agent's receipt of such direction of Preferred Shareholders and shall direct the Issuer to, and the Issuer shall, send the applicable notice in accordance with Section 9.6 of the Indenture.

(iii) If the Paying Agent receives written notice from the Issuer of the occurrence of one of the events described in Section 9.5 of the Indenture which may give rise to a Tax Event

Redemption, the Paying Agent shall send to each Preferred Shareholder notification of the right of the Holders of at least a Majority of the Preferred Shares eligible to vote in accordance with the Indenture to direct the Issuer to exercise the Tax Event Redemption pursuant to Section 9.5 of the Indenture with instructions to notify the Paying Agent of its exercise of such right and such notification to Preferred Shareholders will be deemed sufficient if substantially in the form of Exhibit E attached hereto. Upon receipt of such direction by such Preferred Shareholders to so exercise such right, the Paying Agent shall notify the Issuer and the Trustee of the Paying Agent's receipt of such direction of Preferred Shareholders and shall direct the Issuer to, and the Issuer shall, send the applicable notice in accordance with Section 9.6 of the Indenture

Upon receipt of notice from the Issuer or the Trustee, of the final payment of principal on the Notes, the Issuer shall within 90 days (or such later date as determined necessary by the Senior, liquidate the remaining Trust Estate in whole, in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture. The Trustee shall transfer the liquidation proceeds to the Paying Agent for the deposit in the Preferred Share Collection Account for distribution in accordance with this Agreement.

Section 27. Survival of Provisions.

Notwithstanding the satisfaction and discharge of this Agreement, the rights and obligations of the Issuer, the Paying Agent, the Transfer Agent and the Preferred Shareholders under Section 13, 20, 22, 23 and 28 shall otherwise survive termination of the rights of the parties hereunder.

Section 28. Limited Recourse.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Paying Agent and the Transfer Agent acknowledge that the obligations of the Issuer under this Agreement will be limited recourse obligations of the Issuer payable solely from the Trust Estate. Neither the Issuer nor its Affiliates, nor any of its respective agents, partners, beneficiaries, officers, directors, employees or successors or assigns shall be personally liable for any amounts payable, or performance due, under this Agreement. Following realization of the Trust Estate and its application in accordance with the Indenture or Section 25 of this Agreement, any outstanding obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive.

Section 29. Process Agent.

The Issuer irrevocably designates and appoints CT Corporation System, 111 Eighth Avenue, New York, New York 10011, as its agent (the "Process Agent") for service of all process, such service being hereby acknowledged to be effective and binding service in every respect.

Section 30. Submission to Jurisdiction; Waiver of Jury Trial.

(a) The Issuer hereby irrevocably and unconditionally submits, for itself and its property, to the nonexclusive jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of the State of New York sitting in New York County and of the United States District Court of the Southern District of New York, and any appellate court from any thereof, in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Notes, the Combination Notes or this Agreement, or for recognition or enforcement of any judgment, and the Issuer hereby irrevocably and unconditionally agrees that all claims in respect of any such action or proceeding may be heard and determined in such New York State or, to the extent permitted by law, in such Federal court. The Issuer hereby irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of such action or proceeding in any such court. The Issuer agrees that a final judgment in



any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

(b) EACH PARTY HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, ANY AND ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

ROCKWALL CDO II LTD.

By:   
Name: **Chris Marett**  
Title: **Director**

INVESTORS BANK & TRUST COMPANY, as Paying  
and Transfer Agent

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

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

ROCKWALL CDO II LTD.

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

INVESTORS BANK & TRUST COMPANY, as Paying  
and Transfer Agent

By:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: **Brian Peterson**  
Title: **Director**



Exhibit A

Rockwall CDO II Ltd.

Number  
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Shares  
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Incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands  
U.S.\$86,450 divided into 250 Ordinary Shares of U.S. \$1.00,  
42,200,000 Class I Preferred Shares of U.S. \$0.001 and  
44,000,000 Class II Preferred Shares of U.S. \$0.001

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT

-[ ]-

is the registered holder of

-[ ] Class [ ] Preferred Shares-

in the above-named Company subject to the Memorandum and Articles of Association thereof.

ISSUED BY the said Company on this 9th of May, 2007.

EXECUTED AS A DEED on behalf of the said Company by:

DIRECTOR

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THE PREFERRED SHARES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), ANY STATE SECURITIES LAWS IN THE UNITED STATES OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY OTHER JURISDICTION AND MAY NOT BE REOFFERED, RESOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, U.S. PERSONS, EXCEPT AS PERMITTED BY THIS LEGEND. THE HOLDER OF ANY PREFERRED SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF THIS PREFERRED SHARE CERTIFICATE, REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT REOFFER, RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER THE PREFERRED SHARES REPRESENTED BY THIS CERTIFICATE EXCEPT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT AND OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS AND EXCEPT (A) IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, WHOM THE SELLER HAS INFORMED, IN EACH CASE, THAT THE REOFFER, RESALE, PLEDGE OR OTHER TRANSFER IS BEING MADE IN RELIANCE ON RULE 144A, PROVIDED THAT SUCH PURCHASER DELIVERS ALL DOCUMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS AS THE ISSUER OR THE PAYING AGENT MAY REASONABLY REQUIRE; (B) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 904 OF REGULATIONS UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT TO A PERSON WHO IS ALSO A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A; (C) TO THE ISSUER OR ITS AFFILIATES; OR (D) TO ANY OTHER PERSON OR ENTITY PURSUANT TO A VALID EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT PROVIDED THAT SUCH PURCHASER DELIVERS ALL DOCUMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS AS THE ISSUER OR THE PAYING AGENT MAY REQUEST, IN EACH CASE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANY APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAW OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER JURISDICTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE PAYING AND TRANSFER AGENCY AGREEMENT. IN ADDITION, EACH PURCHASER OF PREFERRED SHARES, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE THEREOF, REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER SUCH PREFERRED SHARES EXCEPT TO A NON-U.S. PERSON THAT IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER OR TO A "QUALIFIED PURCHASER" OR "KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEE" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER IN A TRANSACTION THAT DOES NOT CAUSE THE ISSUER TO BE REQUIRED TO REGISTER UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940. FURTHER, THE PREFERRED SHARES MAY NOT BE SOLD OR TRANSFERRED TO ANY PLAN SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, TO ANY PERSON ACTING ON BEHALF OF OR WITH "PLAN ASSETS" OF ANY SUCH PLAN, OR TO ANY OTHER BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR (AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(42) OF ERISA), INCLUDING AN INSURANCE COMPANY GENERAL ACCOUNT, EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE CONFIDENTIAL OFFERING CIRCULAR RELATING TO THE PREFERRED SHARES.

TRANSFERS OF THE PREFERRED SHARES MAY ONLY BE MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE PAYING AND TRANSFER AGENCY AGREEMENT.

TRANSFERS OF THE PREFERRED SHARES MUST GENERALLY BE ACCOMPANIED BY APPROPRIATE TAX TRANSFER DOCUMENTATION.





**Exhibit B**

FORM OF INVESTOR LETTER FOR PURCHASERS  
([CLASS I][CLASS II] PREFERRED SHARES)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

Investors Bank & Trust Company  
Attn: T.A. Compliance, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Mail Stop: OPS22  
200 Clarendon Street  
Boston, MA 02116

Re: Rockwall CDO II Ltd./[Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The undersigned proposes to purchase the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares identified below issued by Rockwall CDO II Ltd. (the "Issuer") pursuant to the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, to be dated as of May 9, 2007 (the "Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement"), between the Issuer and Investors Bank & Trust Company, as Paying and Transfer Agent (the "Paying and Transfer Agent"). In connection with our proposed purchase of such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares we acknowledge, represent, agree and confirm that:

1. The [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares have not been and will not be registered under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), or registered or qualified under the securities or "Blue Sky" laws of any jurisdiction, and may not be resold or otherwise transferred except pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws and that the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares are subject to restriction on transfer as set forth in Section 8 of the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement.

2. We are (i)(A) a "qualified institutional buyer" (within the meaning of Rule 144A under the Securities Act) and (B) a financial institution or other permitted offeree or purchaser for purposes of any applicable state securities or "Blue Sky" laws and have such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of our investment in the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares for an indefinite period of time or (ii) not a "U.S. person" within the meaning of Regulation S under the Securities Act (a "Non-U.S. Person") and a qualified institutional buyer. In the normal course of our business, we invest in or purchase securities similar to the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares.

3. We understand that the Issuer is not registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Investment Company Act") but that the Issuer is exempt from registration as such by virtue of Rule 3a-7 and/or Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act. We are a (i) "Qualified Purchaser" as defined in Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act, (ii) "Knowledgeable Employee" within the meaning of Rule 3c-5 of the Investment Company Act or (iii) a Non-U.S. Person and we agree that we will



transfer the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares owned by us only to a "Qualified Purchaser", a "Knowledgeable Employee" or to a Non-U.S. Person in accordance with Regulation S under the Securities Act. Any purported transfer or other disposition in violation of the foregoing restrictions will be void and of no effect.

4. Our Taxpayer Identification Number is \_\_\_\_\_.

5. If we are not a United States person (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code), we (x) are not a bank within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code or an affiliate of a bank or, alternatively, we are such a bank or an affiliate of a bank but we are eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates U.S. federal income taxation of U.S. source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States and (y) we are not purchasing the Preferred Shares in order to reduce our U.S. Federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan within the meaning of Treas. Reg. 1.881-3(b)

6. For purposes of determining whether our acquisition and holding of the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares to be purchased by us pursuant hereto will constitute or result in a non-exempt "prohibited transaction" (within the meaning of Section 406 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("ERISA"), and/or Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code")), (i) the Issuer or the Paying and Transfer Agent may take such actions as may be necessary or appropriate in order to assure that, after giving effect to such purchase and all other purchases occurring simultaneously therewith, less than 25% of the each of the Class B-2L Notes and each of the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares (excluding the Class B-2L Notes and the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares held by the Servicer or its affiliates) will be held by employee benefit plans subject to Title I of ERISA, plans described in and subject to Section 4975 of the Code or other "benefit plan investors" (as defined in Section 3(42) of ERISA) (each, a "Benefit Plan Investor"); (ii) we will not assign or transfer such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares unless the proposed assignee or transferee delivers a letter to the Issuer and the Paying and Transfer Agent substantially in the form hereof; and (iii) either [check and initial *one* box as appropriate]:

\_\_\_\_\_ ☐ No part of the funds being used to pay the purchase price for such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares constitutes "plan assets" of any Benefit Plan Investor and we will not assign or transfer such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares to any person who is (or is acting on behalf of or with "plan assets" of) a Benefit Plan Investor;  
*or*

\_\_\_\_\_ ☐ The funds being used to pay the purchase price for such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares constitute assets of an "insurance company general account" (within the meaning of U.S. Department of Labor ("DOL") Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption ("PTCE") 95-60) (a "General Account"); our purchase and holding of such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares are eligible for the exemptive relief available under PTCE 95-60; less than 25% of the assets of such General Account constitute "plan assets" of Benefit Plan Investors; if, after the initial acquisition of the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares, during any calendar quarter 25% or more of the assets of such General Account (as determined by such insurance company) constitute "plan assets" of any Plan or

other Benefit Plan Investor, then such insurance company will dispose of all of the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares then held in its General Account by the end of the next following calendar quarter; and we will not assign or transfer such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares to any person who is (or is acting on behalf of or with "plan assets" of) a Benefit Plan Investor (other than another General Account); *or*

- \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ The funds being used to pay the purchase price for such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares constitute assets of a Benefit Plan Investor (other than a General Account); our purchase of such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares is eligible for the exemptive relief available under any of Section 408(b)(17) of ERISA or PTCE 96-23, 91-38, 90-1 or 84-14; and any person to whom we assign or transfer such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares will be accurately identified in such letter as either a General Account, another Benefit Plan Investor who is eligible for such exemptive relief or a person who is not (and is not acting on behalf of) any Benefit Plan Investor.

7. The undersigned confirms that (i) it has received and reviewed a copy of the Confidential Offering Circular, dated May 8, 2007 relating to the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares and on which it has based its investment decision, (ii) it has had the opportunity to ask questions of, and receive answers from the Issuer concerning the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares and all matters relating thereto, and obtain any additional information (including documents) relevant to its decision to purchase the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares that the Issuer possesses or can possess without unreasonable effort or expense, (iii) it has undertaken its own independent analysis of the investment in the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares and (iv) it agrees to be bound by the representations and restrictions on transfer set forth therein. The undersigned will not use or disclose any information it receives in connection with its purchase of the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares other than in connection with a subsequent sale of the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares, except to the extent otherwise required under applicable law or regulation.

8. After giving effect to this purchase, we will not own more than 49% (directly or indirectly) of the aggregate par value of the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares, unless we are the Servicer (including our respective Affiliates and clients).

9. We hereby certify that we [check one] \_\_\_\_\_ are \_\_\_\_\_ are not an Affiliate (as defined in the Indenture) or nominee of Investors Bank & Trust Company, the Issuer or the Servicer or a nominee of an Affiliate of any of them.

10. We agree to provide the Paying and Transfer Agent in writing with any additional registration, payment and delivery information as the Trustee may reasonably request.

11. We are not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

Very truly yours,

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Investor)

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

Name:

Title:

SHARES TO BE PURCHASED

\_\_\_\_\_ [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares



**Exhibit C**

FORM OF RULE 144A TRANSFER CERTIFICATE

[Date]

Investors Bank & Trust Company  
Attn: T.A. Compliance, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Mail Stop: OPS22  
200 Clarendon Street  
Boston, MA 02116

Re: Rockwall CDO II Ltd./ [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Reference is hereby made to the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, dated as of May [ ], 2007, as amended and supplemented from time to time (the "Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement") between Rockwall CDO II Ltd. (the "Issuer") and Investors Bank & Trust Company, as paying agent and transfer agent (the "Paying and Transfer Agent"). Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement.

This letter relates to \_\_\_\_\_ [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares (the "[Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares") of the Issuer which are registered in the name of [insert name of transferor] (the "Transferor"). The Transferor has requested a transfer of such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares for [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares registered in the name of [insert name of transferee].

In connection with such request, and in respect of such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares, the Transferor does hereby certify that such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares are being transferred in accordance with (i) the transfer restrictions set forth in Section 8 of the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement and the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares and (ii) Rule 144A under the Securities Act to a transferee that the Transferor reasonably believes is purchasing the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares for its own account or an account with respect to which the transferee exercises sole investment discretion and the transferee and any such account is a "qualified institutional buyer" within the meaning of Rule 144A, and such transferee is aware that the sale to it is being made in reliance upon Rule 144A, and (iii) any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction.

[Insert Name of Transferor]

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

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_





**Exhibit D**

FORM OF REGULATION S TRANSFER CERTIFICATE

[Date]

Investors Bank & Trust Company  
Attn: T.A. Compliance, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Mail Stop: OPS22  
200 Clarendon Street  
Boston, MA 02116

Re: Rockwall CDO II Ltd. [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Reference is hereby made to the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement, dated as of May [ ], 2007 (the "Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement"), between Rockwall CDO II Ltd. (the "Issuer") and Investors Bank & Trust Company, as paying agent and transfer agent (the "Paying and Transfer Agent"). Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement. Other terms shall have the meanings assigned to them in Regulation S under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act").

This letter relates to \_\_\_\_\_ [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares (the "[Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares") of the Issuer which are held in the registered name of [insert name of transferor] (the "Transferor"). The Transferor has requested a transfer of such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares for [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares registered in the name of [insert name of transferee].

In connection with such request and in respect of such [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares, the Transferor does hereby certify that such transfer has been effected in accordance with the transfer restrictions set forth in Section 8 of the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement and the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares and pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S under the Securities Act, and accordingly the Transferor does hereby certify that:

- (1) the offer of the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares was not made to a person in the United States;
- [(2) at the time the buy order was originated, the transferee was outside the United States or the Transferor and any person acting on its behalf reasonably believed that the transferee was outside the United States;]\*
- [(2) the transaction was executed in, on or through the facilities of a designated offshore securities market and neither the Transferor nor any person acting on its behalf knows that the transaction was prearranged with a buyer in the United States;]\*

\*Insert one of these provisions.

- (3) no directed selling efforts have been made in contravention of the requirements of Rule 903(b) or 904(b) of Regulation S, as applicable; and
- (4) the transaction is not part of a plan or scheme to evade the registration requirements of the Securities Act.

[Insert Name of Transferor]

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

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_





**Exhibit E**

To: Holders of [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares

From: Investors Bank & Trust Company as Paying and Transfer Agent under the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement

Re: [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares; Notice of Holders of [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares' Right To Require [Optional Redemption] [Liquidation of the Trust Estate]

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Pursuant to Section 26(d)(i)[(iii)] of the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement dated as of May [ ], 2007 (the "Paying Agency Agreement") by and between Rockwall CDO II Ltd. (the "Issuer") and Investors Bank & Trust Company, as paying agent and transfer agent (the "Paying and Transfer Agent"), this is to notify the Preferred Shareholders of the right of the Preferred Shareholders representing at least 50% of the [Class I][Class II] Preferred Shares (referred to herein as the "Required Percentage") to direct the Issuer [to exercise the Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.1 of the Indenture] [to liquidate the remaining Trust Estate].

To exercise such right, such Required Percentage of the Preferred Shareholders must notify the Paying and Transfer Agent in writing on or before the 30th Business Day preceding the proposed [Optional Redemption Date] [liquidation date] of their exercise of such right, therein directing the Paying and Transfer Agent to notify the Issuer of such election. Such proposed [Optional Redemption Date] [liquidation date] shall be set forth in such notice from the Required Percentage of the Preferred Shareholders to the Paying and Transfer Agent, and must be a [Payment Date on or after the Payment Date in [ ] [2024]] [date which is not sooner than the date which is 30 Business Days after the Paying and Transfer Agent's receipt of such notice]. Such notice of liquidation from the Required Percentage of the Preferred Shareholders to the Paying and Transfer Agent must also specify whether the direction is to liquidate the Trust Estate in whole or in part (and if in part, must specify the portion to be liquidated).

[Include further instructions setting forth the address to which the Preferred Shareholders' election notice should be sent, and any instructions or requirements as to the form, content or execution thereof, or proof of ownership, as the Paying and Transfer Agent reasonably may deem necessary, if any.]

Capitalized terms appearing but not otherwise expressly defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to such terms in the Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement.

INVESTORS BANK & TRUST  
COMPANY,  
as Paying and Transfer Agent

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**Exhibit F**

**FORM OF SALE NOTICE**

**FROM:**

[Party requesting redemption of Class [I][II] Preferred Shares – Name and Address Fax number – [        ] (the " <b>Redeeming Party</b> ")	[Subscriber for Class [I][II] Preferred Shares – Name and Address Fax number – [        ] (the " <b>Subscriber</b> ")
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**TO:**

Rockwall CDO II Ltd. PO Box 1093GT Queensgate House South Church Street George Town Grand Cayman Cayman Islands Attention: The Directors Fax: 1 345 945 7100	Highland Capital Management LP Two Galleria Tower 13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300 Dallas, Texas 75240 Attention: [        ] Fax: 1 972 628 4147
Investors Bank & Trust Company Attn: T.A. Compliance, 16 <sup>th</sup> Floor Mail Stop: OPS22 200 Clarendon Street Boston, MA 02116 Fax: 1 617 3514358	

**[INSERT DATE OF NOTICE]**

RE: SALE NOTICE RELATING TO THE REDEMPTION OF ROCKWALL CDO II LTD. CLASS [I][II] PREFERRED SHARES AND SUBSCRIPTION FOR ROCKWALL CDO II LTD. CLASS [I][II] PREFERRED SHARES

Ladies and Gentlemen:

As required by the Articles of Association of Rockwall CDO II Ltd. and the applicable Paying and Transfer Agency Agreement relating to the Class I Preferred Shares and Class II Preferred Shares of Rockwall CDO II Ltd., we hereby give you notice of the following:



**1. REQUEST FOR REDEMPTION OF ROCKWALL CDO II LTD. CLASS [I][II] PREFERRED SHARES**

- (a) Redemption Date: [Insert date – to be 10 or more days from the date of this notice]
- (b) Number of Class [I][II] Preferred Shares to be redeemed (if approved): [Insert number - must be 200,000 or more]
- (c) Redemption Price: [Insert total redemption price requested]

The Redeeming Party hereby requests that Rockwall CDO II Ltd. approves the proposed redemption as set forth in 1 above.

**2. REQUEST FOR SUBSCRIPTION FOR ROCKWALL CDO II LTD. CLASS [I][II] PREFERRED SHARES**

- (a) Subscription Date: [Insert date – must be same as in 1(a) above]
- (b) Number of Class [I][II] Preferred Shares to be subscribed for (if approved): [Insert number - must be same as in 1(b) above ]
- (c) Subscription Price: [Insert subscription price requested – must be same as in 1(c) above]

The Subscriber hereby requests that Rockwall CDO II Ltd. approves the proposed redemption as set forth in 1 above.

\_\_\_\_\_  
[Approved][Not approved]

**For and on behalf of  
Rockwall CDO II Ltd.**

**FORM TO BE FAXED BACK BY ROCKWALL CDO II LTD. TO ALL  
PARTIES ON THE NOTICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**

**IF APPROVED, THIS SIGNED NOTICE WILL CONSTITUTE DEEMED  
NOTICE TO ROCKWALL CDO II LTD. (WITHIN THE REQUIRED TIME  
LIMIT) OF A REQUEST FOR REDEMPTION OF AN EQUIVALENT NUMBER  
OF CLASS [I][II] PREFERRED SHARES OF ROCKWALL CDO II LTD. ON  
THE SAME TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS THE REDEMPTION OF THE  
CLASS [I][II] PREFERRED SHARES OF ROCKWALL CDO II LTD.**

## **EXHIBIT EEE**

## SERVICING AGREEMENT

This Servicing Agreement, dated as of May 9, 2007 is entered into by and among ROCKWALL CDO II LTD., an exempted company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands, with its registered office located at the offices of Maples Finance Limited, P.O. Box 1093GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, KY1-1108, Cayman Islands (together with successors and assigns permitted hereunder, the "Issuer"), and HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, with its principal offices located at Two Galleria Tower, 13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300, Dallas, Texas 75240, as servicer ("Highland" or, in such capacity, the "Servicer").

### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Issuer and ROCKWALL CDO II (DELAWARE) CORP. (the "Co-Issuer") and together with the Issuer, the "Co-Issuers") intend to issue U.S.\$635,000,000 of their Class A-1LA Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2024 (the "Class A-1LA Notes"), U.S.\$115,000,000 of their Class A-1LB Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2024 (the "Class A-1LB Notes"), U.S.\$76,000,000 of their Class A-2L Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2024 (the "Class A-2L Notes"), U.S.\$48,000,000 of their Class A-3L Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2024 (the "Class A-3L Notes"), U.S.\$36,000,000 of their Class B-1L Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2024 (the "Class B-1L Notes"), U.S.\$26,000,000 of their Class B-2L Floating Rate Extendable Notes due August 2024 (the "Class B-2L Notes" and together with the Class A-1LA Notes, Class A-1LB Notes, Class A-2L Notes, Class A-3L Notes and Class B-1L Notes, the "Notes") pursuant to the Indenture dated as of May 9, 2007 (the "Indenture"), among the Co-Issuers and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as trustee (the "Trustee") and 42,200,000 Class I Preferred Shares, \$0.001 par value (the "Class I Preferred Shares") and 44,000,000 Class II Preferred Shares, \$0.001 par value (the "Class II Preferred Shares" and, together with the Class I Preferred Shares, the "Preferred Shares" and, together with the Notes, the "Securities");

WHEREAS, the Issuer intends to pledge certain Portfolio Collateral, Eligible Investments and Cash (all as defined in the Indenture) and certain other assets (all as set forth in the Indenture) (collectively, the "Collateral") to the Trustee as security for the Notes;

WHEREAS, the Issuer wishes to enter into this Servicing Agreement, pursuant to which the Servicer agrees to perform, on behalf of the Issuer, certain duties with respect to the Collateral in the manner and on the terms set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the Servicer has the capacity to provide the services required hereby and in the applicable provisions of the other Transaction Documents and is prepared to perform such services upon the terms and conditions set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements herein set forth, the parties hereto agree as follows:

#### 1. Definitions.

Terms used herein and not defined below shall have the meanings set forth in the Indenture.

"Agreement" shall mean this Servicing Agreement, as amended from time to time.



“Governing Instruments” shall mean the memorandum, articles or certificate of incorporation or association and by-laws, if applicable, in the case of a corporation; the certificate of formation, if applicable, or the partnership agreement, in the case of a partnership; or the certificate of formation, if applicable, or the limited liability company agreement, in the case of a limited liability company.

“HFP” shall mean Highland Financial Partners, L.P. (which includes, for the avoidance of doubt, any subsidiary thereof).

“Offering Circular” shall mean the Offering Circular of the Issuer dated May 8, 2007 prepared in connection with the offering of the Securities.

“Redemption Date” shall mean any Optional Redemption Date, Special Redemption Date, Tax Event Redemption Date or Mandatory Redemption Date, as applicable.

“Servicer Breaches” shall have the meaning specified in Section 10(a).

“Servicing Fee” shall mean, collectively, the Base Servicing Fee, the Additional Servicing Fee and the Supplemental Servicing Fee.

2. General Duties of the Servicer.

(a) The Servicer shall provide services to the Issuer as follows:

(i) Subject to and in accordance with the terms this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents, the Servicer shall supervise and direct the administration, acquisition and disposition of the Collateral, and shall perform on behalf of the Issuer those duties and obligations of the Servicer required by the Indenture and the other Transaction Documents, and including the furnishing of Orders, Requests and officer’s certificates, and such certifications as are required of the Servicer under the Indenture with respect to permitted purchases and sales of the Portfolio Collateral, Eligible Investments and other assets, and other matters, and, to the extent necessary or appropriate to perform such duties, the Servicer shall have the power to execute and deliver all necessary and appropriate documents and instruments on behalf of the Issuer with respect thereto. The Servicer shall, subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents, perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder with reasonable care, using a degree of skill and attention no less than that which the Servicer exercises with respect to comparable assets that it services or manages for others having similar objectives and restrictions, and in a manner consistent with practices and procedures followed by institutional servicers or managers of national standing relating to assets of the nature and character of the Collateral for clients having similar objectives and restrictions, except as expressly provided otherwise in this Agreement and/or the other Transaction Documents. To the extent not inconsistent with the foregoing, the Servicer shall follow its customary standards, policies and procedures in performing its duties under the Indenture and hereunder. The Servicer shall comply with all terms and conditions of the other Transaction Documents affecting the duties and functions to be performed hereunder. The Servicer shall not be bound to follow any amendment to any Transaction Document until it has received written notice thereof and until it has received a copy of the amendment from the Issuer or the Trustee; provided, however, that the Servicer shall not be bound by any amendment to any Transaction Document that affects the rights, powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer unless the

Servicer shall have consented thereto in writing. The Issuer agrees that it shall not permit any amendment to the Indenture that (x) affects the rights, powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer or (y) affects the amount or priority of any fees payable to the Servicer to become effective unless the Servicer has been given prior written notice of such amendment and consented thereto in writing;

(ii) the Servicer shall select any Collateral which shall be acquired by the Issuer pursuant to the Indenture in accordance with the Collateral criteria set forth herein and in the Indenture;

(iii) the Servicer shall monitor the Collateral on an ongoing basis and provide to the Issuer all reports, certificates, schedules and other data with respect to the Collateral which the Issuer is required to prepare and deliver under the Indenture, in the form and containing all information required thereby and in reasonable time for the Issuer to review such required reports, certificates, schedules and data and to deliver them to the parties entitled thereto under the Indenture; the Servicer shall undertake to determine to the extent reasonably practicable whether a Portfolio Collateral has become a Defaulted Portfolio Collateral;

(iv) the Servicer, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture may, at any time permitted under the Indenture, and shall, when required by the Indenture, direct the Trustee (x) to dispose of a Portfolio Collateral, Equity Security or Eligible Investment or other securities received in respect thereof in the open market or otherwise, (y) to acquire, as security for the Notes in substitution for or in addition to any one or more Portfolio Collateral or Eligible Investments included in the Collateral, one or more substitute Portfolio Collateral or Eligible Investments, or (z) direct the Trustee to take the following actions with respect to a Portfolio Collateral or Eligible Investment:

(1) retain such Portfolio Collateral or Eligible Investment;  
or

(2) dispose of such Portfolio Collateral or Eligible Investment in the open market or otherwise; or

(3) if applicable, tender such Portfolio Collateral or Eligible Investment pursuant to an Offer; or

(4) if applicable, consent to any proposed amendment, modification or waiver pursuant to an Offer; or

(5) retain or dispose of any securities or other property (if other than cash) received pursuant to an Offer; or

(6) waive any default with respect to any Defaulted Portfolio Collateral; or

(7) vote to accelerate the maturity of any Defaulted Portfolio Collateral; or

(8) exercise any other rights or remedies with respect to such Portfolio Collateral or Eligible Investment as provided in the related

Underlying Instruments, including in connection with any workout situations, or take any other action consistent with the terms of the Indenture which is in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities; and

(v) the Servicer shall (a) on or prior to any day which is a Redemption Date, direct the Trustee to enter into contracts to dispose of the Portfolio Collateral and any other Collateral pursuant to the Indenture and otherwise comply with all redemption procedures and certification requirements in the Indenture in order to allow the Trustee to effect such redemption and (b) conduct Auctions in accordance with the terms of the Indenture.

(b) In performing its duties hereunder, the Servicer shall seek to preserve the value of the Collateral for the benefit of the Holders of the Securities taking into account the Collateral criteria and limitations set forth herein and in the Indenture and the Servicer shall use reasonable efforts to select and service the Collateral in such a way that will permit a timely performance of all payment obligations by the Issuer under the Indenture; provided, that the Servicer shall not be responsible if such objectives are not achieved so long as the Servicer performs its duties under this Agreement in the manner provided for herein, and provided, further, that there shall be no recourse to the Servicer with respect to the Notes or the Preferred Shares. The Servicer and the Issuer shall take such other action, and furnish such certificates, opinions and other documents, as may be reasonably requested by the other party hereto in order to effectuate the purposes of this Agreement and to facilitate compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the terms of this Agreement.

(c) The Servicer hereby agrees to the following:

(i) The Servicer agrees not to institute against, or join any other Person in instituting against, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation proceedings or other proceedings under federal or state bankruptcy or similar laws of any jurisdiction until at least one year and one day (or if longer, any applicable preference period plus one day) after the payment in full of all Notes issued under the Indenture; provided, however, that nothing in this clause (i) shall preclude, or be deemed to estop, the Servicer (A) from taking any action prior to the expiration of such period in (x) any case or proceeding voluntarily filed or commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, or (y) any involuntary insolvency proceeding filed or commenced against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, by a Person other than the Servicer, or (B) from commencing against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any properties of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any legal action which is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium, liquidation or similar proceeding. The provisions of this Section 2(c)(i) shall survive termination of this Agreement.

(ii) The Servicer shall cause each sale or purchase of any Portfolio Collateral or Eligible Investment to be conducted on an arm's-length basis.

(d) The Servicer shall not act for the Issuer in any capacity except as provided in this Section 2. In providing services hereunder, the Servicer may employ third parties, including its Affiliates, to render advice (including advice with respect to the servicing of the Collateral) and assistance; provided, however, that the Servicer shall not be relieved of any of its duties or liabilities hereunder regardless of the performance of any services by third parties. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Servicer shall not be required to take any action required of it pursuant to this Agreement or the Indenture if such action would constitute a violation of any law.

(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement or the Indenture, (i) any granted signatory powers or authority granted to the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer with respect to the Special Procedures Obligations shall be conditioned upon the prior written approval of the Independent Advisor and (ii) neither the Servicer nor any Affiliate of the Servicer shall have any authority to enter into agreements, or take any action, on behalf of the Issuer with respect to the Special Procedures Obligations without the prior written approval of the Independent Advisor.

### 3. Brokerage.

The Servicer shall seek to obtain the best prices and execution for all orders placed with respect to the Collateral, considering all reasonable circumstances. Subject to the objective of obtaining best prices and execution, the Servicer may take into consideration research and other brokerage services furnished to the Servicer or its Affiliates by brokers and dealers which are not Affiliates of the Servicer. Such services may be used by the Servicer or its Affiliates in connection with its other servicing or advisory activities or operations. The Servicer may aggregate sales and purchase orders of securities placed with respect to the Collateral with similar orders being made simultaneously for other accounts serviced or managed by Servicer or with accounts of the Affiliates of the Servicer, if in the Servicer's reasonable judgment such aggregation shall result in an overall economic benefit to the Issuer, taking into consideration the advantageous selling or purchase price, brokerage commission and other expenses. In the event that a sale or purchase of a Portfolio Collateral or Eligible Investment (in accordance with the terms of the Indenture) occurs as part of any aggregate sales or purchase orders, the objective of the Servicer (and any of its Affiliates involved in such transactions) shall be to allocate the executions among the accounts in an equitable manner and consistent with its obligations hereunder and under applicable law.

In addition to the foregoing and subject to the provisions of Section 2 and the limitations of Section 5, the objective of obtaining best prices and execution and to the extent permitted by applicable law, the Servicer may, on behalf of the Issuer, direct the Trustee to acquire any and all of the Eligible Investments or other Collateral from, or sell Portfolio Collateral or other Collateral to, the Initial Purchaser, the Trustee or any of their respective Affiliates, or any other firm.

### 4. Additional Activities of the Servicer.

Nothing herein shall prevent the Servicer or any of its Affiliates from engaging in other businesses, or from rendering services of any kind to the Trustee, the Holders of the Securities, or any other Person or entity to the extent permitted by applicable law. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, the Servicer and partners, directors, officers, employees and agents of the Servicer or its Affiliates may, among other things, and subject to any limits specified in the Indenture:

(a) serve as directors (whether supervisory or managing), officers, partners, employees, agents, nominees or signatories for any issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates, to the extent permitted by their Governing Instruments, as from time to time amended, or by any resolutions duly adopted by the Issuer, its Affiliates or any issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates, pursuant to their respective Governing Instruments; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on the enforceability of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Overcollateralization Ratio and the Interest Coverage Test; provided, further, that nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to limit the duties of the Servicer set forth in Section 2 hereof;

(b) receive fees for services of any nature rendered to the issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates; provided, that in the reasonable

judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on the enforceability of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Overcollateralization Ratio and the Interest Coverage Test; and provided, further that if any portion of such services are related to the purchase by the Issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral, the portion of such fees relating to such obligations shall be applied to the purchase price of such obligations; and

(c) be a secured or unsecured creditor of, or hold an equity interest in, the Issuer, its Affiliates or any issuer of any obligation included in the Collateral; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on the enforceability of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Overcollateralization Ratio and the Interest Coverage Test; provided, further, that nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to limit the duties of the Servicer set forth in Section 2 hereof.

It is understood that the Servicer and any of its Affiliates may engage in any other business and furnish servicing, investment management and advisory services to others, including Persons which may have policies similar to those followed by the Servicer with respect to the Collateral and which may own securities of the same class, or which are the same type, as the Portfolio Collateral or other securities of the issuers of Portfolio Collateral. The Servicer shall be free, in its sole discretion, to make recommendations to others, or effect transactions on behalf of itself or for others, which may be the same as or different from those effected with respect to the Collateral.

Unless the Servicer determines in its reasonable judgment that such purchase or sale is appropriate, the Servicer may refrain from directing the purchase or sale hereunder of securities issued by (i) Persons of which the Servicer, its Affiliates or any of its or their officers, directors or employees are directors or officers, (ii) Persons for which the Servicer or its Affiliate act as financial adviser or underwriter or (iii) Persons about which the Servicer or any of its Affiliates have information which the Servicer deems confidential or non-public or otherwise might prohibit it from trading such securities in accordance with applicable law. The Servicer shall not be obligated to have or pursue any particular strategy or opportunity with respect to the Collateral.

## 5. Conflicts of Interest.

(a) The Servicer shall not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Servicer such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Servicer, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the Investment Advisers Act.

(b) The Servicer shall not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Servicer, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Investment Advisers Act.

(c) In addition, the Servicer shall not undertake any transaction described in this Section 5 unless such transaction is exempt from the prohibited transaction rules of ERISA and the Code.

6. Records; Confidentiality.

The Servicer shall maintain appropriate books of account and records relating to services performed hereunder, and such books of account and records shall be accessible for inspection by a representative of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Holders of the Securities and the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to the Indenture at a mutually agreed time during normal business hours and upon not less than three Business Days' prior notice. At no time shall the Servicer make a public announcement concerning the issuance of the Notes or the Preferred Shares, the Servicer's role hereunder or any other aspect of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents. The Servicer shall keep confidential any and all information obtained in connection with the services rendered hereunder and shall not disclose any such information to non-affiliated third parties except (i) with the prior written consent of the Issuer, (ii) such information as either Rating Agency shall reasonably request in connection with the rating of any class of Securities, (iii) as required by law, regulation, court order or the rules or regulations of any self regulating organization, body or official having jurisdiction over the Servicer, (iv) to its professional advisers, (v) such information as shall have been publicly disclosed other than in violation of this Agreement, or (vi) such information that was or is obtained by the Servicer on a non-confidential basis, provided, that the Servicer does not know or have reason to know of any breach by such source of any confidentiality obligations with respect thereto. For purposes of this Section 6, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator and the Holders of the Securities shall in no event be considered "non-affiliated third parties."

Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement or the Indenture to the contrary, the Servicer, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Holders of the Securities (and the beneficial owners thereof) (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) may disclose to any and all Persons, without limitation of any kind, the U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to them relating to such U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure, as such terms are defined under U.S. federal, state or local tax law.

7. Obligations of Servicer.

Unless otherwise specifically required by any provision of the Indenture or this Agreement or by applicable law, the Servicer shall use its best reasonable efforts to ensure that no action is taken by it, and shall not intentionally or with reckless disregard take any action, which would (a) materially adversely affect the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for purposes of Cayman Islands law, United States federal or state law or any other law known to the Servicer to be applicable to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, (b) not be permitted under the Issuer's Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association or the Co-Issuer's Certificate of Incorporation or By-Laws, (c) violate any law, rule or regulation of any governmental body or agency having jurisdiction over the Issuer or the Co-Issuer including, without limitation, any Cayman Islands or United States federal, state or other applicable securities law the violation of which has or could reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any of the Collateral, (d) require registration of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the pool of Collateral as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act, (e) cause the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to violate the terms of the Indenture, including, without limitation, any representations made by the Issuer or Co-Issuer therein, or any other agreement contemplated by the Indenture or (f) not be permitted by Annex 1 hereto and would subject the Issuer to U.S. federal or state income or franchise taxation or cause the Issuer to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States

for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The Servicer covenants that it shall comply in all material respects with all laws and regulations applicable to it in connection with the performance of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, the Servicer shall not be required to take any action under this Agreement or the Indenture if such action would violate any applicable law, rule, regulation or court order.

8. Compensation.

(a) The Issuer shall pay to the Servicer, for services rendered and performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Servicing Fee, which shall be payable in such amounts and at such times as set forth in the Indenture. The provisions of the Indenture which relate to the amount and payment of the Servicing Fee shall not be amended without the written consent of the Servicer. If on any Payment Date there are insufficient funds to pay the Servicing Fee (and/or any other amounts due and payable to the Servicer) in full, the amount not so paid shall be deferred and shall be payable on such later Payment Date on which funds are available therefor as provided in the Indenture.

The Servicer hereby agrees to waive the Class II Preference Share Portion of the Servicing Fees which would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as Servicing Fees, on each Payment Date until February 3, 2008. After February 3, 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive the Class II Preference Share Portion of its Servicing Fees then due and payable. All waived amounts will be paid to the Class II Preferred Shares as Class II Preferred Share Dividends pursuant to the Indenture. For purposes of any calculation under this Agreement and the Indenture, the Servicer shall be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preferred Shares as Class II Preference Share Dividends.

In addition, notwithstanding anything set out above, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion waive all or any portion of the Additional Servicing Fee or Supplemental Servicing Fee, any funds representing the waived Additional Servicing Fees and Supplemental Servicing Fees to be retained in the Collection Account for distribution as either Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds (as determined by the Servicer) pursuant to the Priority of Payments.

(b) The Servicer shall be responsible for the ordinary expenses incurred in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Indenture and the other Transaction Documents; provided, however, that any extraordinary expenses incurred by the Servicer in the performance of such obligations (including, but not limited to, any fees, expenses or other amounts payable to the Rating Agencies, the Collateral Administrator, the Trustee and the accountants appointed by the Issuer, the reasonable expenses incurred by the Servicer to employ outside lawyers or consultants reasonably necessary in connection with the evaluation, transfer or restructuring of any Portfolio Collateral or other unusual matters arising in the performance of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture, any reasonable expenses incurred by the Servicer in obtaining advice from outside counsel with respect to its obligations under this Agreement, brokerage commissions, transfer fees, registration costs, taxes and other similar costs and transaction related expenses and fees arising out of transactions effected for the Issuer's account and the portion allocated to the Issuer of any other fees and expenses that the Servicer customarily allocates among all of the funds or portfolios that it services or manages, including reasonable expenses incurred with respect to any compliance requirements, including, but not limited to, compliance with the requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, related solely to the ownership or holding of any Securities by HFP or its Affiliates) shall be reimbursed by the Issuer to the extent funds are available therefor in accordance with and subject to the limitations contained in the Indenture.

(c) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 12, Section 14 or otherwise, the fees payable to the Servicer shall be prorated for any partial periods between Payment Dates during which this Agreement was in effect and shall be due and payable on the first Payment Date following the date of such termination and on any subsequent Payment Dates to the extent remaining unpaid and in accordance with, and to the extent provided in, the Indenture.

9. Benefit of the Agreement.

The Servicer agrees that its obligations hereunder shall be enforceable at the instance of the Issuer, the Trustee, on behalf of the Noteholders, or the requisite percentage of Noteholders or the Holders of the Preferred Shares, as applicable, as provided in the Indenture.

10. Limits of Servicer Responsibility; Indemnification.

(a) The Servicer assumes no responsibility under this Agreement other than to render the services called for hereunder and under the terms of the other Transaction Documents made applicable to it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement in good faith and, subject to the standard of liability described in the next sentence, shall not be responsible for any action of the Issuer or the Trustee in following or declining to follow any advice, recommendation or direction of the Servicer. The Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, and its Affiliates and their directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, shall not be liable to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Holders of the Securities or any other person, for any losses, claims, damages, judgments, assessments, costs or other liabilities (collectively, “Liabilities”) incurred by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Holders of the Securities or any other person, that arise out of or in connection with the performance by the Servicer of its duties under this Agreement and under the terms of the other Transaction Documents made applicable to it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, except by reason of (i) acts or omissions constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, gross negligence or breach of fiduciary duty in the performance, or reckless disregard, of the obligations of the Servicer hereunder and under the terms of the other Transaction Documents made applicable to it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement or (ii) with respect to any information included in the Offering Circular in the section entitled “The Servicer” that contains any untrue statement of material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) collectively being the “Servicer Breaches”). For the avoidance of doubt, the Servicer shall have no duty to independently investigate any laws not otherwise known to it in connection with its obligations under this Agreement, the Indenture and the other Transaction Documents. The Servicer shall be deemed to have satisfied the requirements of the Indenture and this Agreement relating to not causing the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes (including as those requirements relate to the acquisition (including manner of acquisition), ownership, enforcement, and disposition of Collateral) to the extent the Servicer complies with the requirements set forth in Annex 1 hereto (unless the Servicer knows that as a result of a change in law the investment restrictions set forth in Annex 1 may no longer be relied upon).

(b) The Issuer shall indemnify and hold harmless (the Issuer in such case, the “Indemnifying Party”) the Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees (such parties collectively in such case, the “Indemnified Parties”) from and against any and all Liabilities, and shall reimburse each such Indemnified Party for all reasonable fees and expenses (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) (collectively, the “Expenses”) as such Expenses are incurred in investigating, preparing, pursuing or defending any claim, action, proceeding or investigation with respect to any pending or threatened litigation (collectively, the “Actions”), caused by, or arising out of or in connection with, the issuance of the Securities, the transactions contemplated by the Offering



Circular, the Indenture or this Agreement, and/or any action taken by, or any failure to act by, such Indemnified Party; provided, however, that no Indemnified Party shall be indemnified for any Liabilities or Expenses it incurs as a result of any acts or omissions by any Indemnified Party constituting Servicer Breaches. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the obligations of the Issuer under this Section 10 shall be payable solely out of the Collateral in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Indenture and shall survive termination of this Agreement.

(c) With respect to any claim made or threatened against an Indemnified Party, or compulsory process or request or other notice of any loss, claim, damage or liability served upon an Indemnified Party, for which such Indemnified Party is or may be entitled to indemnification under this Section 10, such Indemnified Party shall (or with respect to Indemnified Parties that are directors, officers, stockholders, agents or employees of the Servicer, the Servicer shall cause such Indemnified Party to):

(i) give written notice to the Indemnifying Party of such claim within ten (10) days after such Indemnified Party's receipt of actual notice that such claim is made or threatened, which notice to the Indemnifying Party shall specify in reasonable detail the nature of the claim and the amount (or an estimate of the amount) of the claim; provided, however, that the failure of any Indemnified Party to provide such notice to the Indemnifying Party shall not relieve the Indemnifying Party of its obligations under this Section 10 unless the Indemnifying Party is materially prejudiced or otherwise forfeits rights or defenses by reason of such failure;

(ii) at the Indemnifying Party's expense, provide the Indemnifying Party such information and cooperation with respect to such claim as the Indemnifying Party may reasonably require, including, but not limited to, making appropriate personnel available to the Indemnifying Party at such reasonable times as the Indemnifying Party may request;

(iii) at the Indemnifying Party's expense, cooperate and take all such steps as the Indemnifying Party may reasonably request to preserve and protect any defense to such claim;

(iv) in the event suit is brought with respect to such claim, upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Indemnifying Party the right, which the Indemnifying Party may exercise in its sole discretion and at its expense, to participate in the investigation, defense and settlement of such claim;

(v) neither incur any material expense to defend against nor release or settle any such claim or make any admission with respect thereto (other than routine or incontestable admissions or factual admissions the failure to make which would expose such Indemnified Party to unindemnified liability) nor permit a default or consent to the entry of any judgment in respect thereof, in each case without the prior written consent of the Indemnifying Party; and

(vi) upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Indemnifying Party the right, in its sole discretion and at its sole expense, to assume the defense of such claim, including, but not limited to, the right to designate counsel reasonably acceptable to the Indemnified Party and to control all negotiations, litigation, arbitration, settlements, compromises and appeals of such claim; provided, that if the Indemnifying Party assumes the defense of such claim, it shall not be liable for any fees and expenses of counsel for

any Indemnified Party incurred thereafter in connection with such claim except that if such Indemnified Party reasonably determines that counsel designated by the Indemnifying Party has a conflict of interest in connection with its representation of such Indemnified Party, such Indemnifying Party shall pay the reasonable fees and disbursements of one counsel (in addition to any local counsel) separate from its own counsel for all Indemnified Parties in connection with any one action or separate but similar or related actions in the same jurisdiction arising out of the same general allegations or circumstances; provided, further, that prior to entering into any final settlement or compromise, such Indemnifying Party shall seek the consent of the Indemnified Party and use its commercially reasonable efforts in the light of the then prevailing circumstances (including, without limitation, any express or implied time constraint on any pending settlement offer) to obtain the consent of such Indemnified Party as to the terms of settlement or compromise. If an Indemnified Party does not consent to the settlement or compromise within a reasonable time under the circumstances, the Indemnifying Party shall not thereafter be obligated to indemnify the Indemnified Party for any amount in excess of such proposed settlement or compromise.

(d) In the event that any Indemnified Party waives its right to indemnification hereunder, the Indemnifying Party shall not be entitled to appoint counsel to represent such Indemnified Party nor shall the Indemnifying Party reimburse such Indemnified Party for any costs of counsel to such Indemnified Party.

(e) The U.S. federal securities laws impose liabilities under certain circumstances on persons who act in good faith; accordingly, notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, nothing herein shall in any way constitute a waiver or limitation of any rights which the Issuer or the Holders of the Securities may have under any U.S. federal securities laws.

#### 11. No Partnership or Joint Venture.

The Issuer and the Servicer are not partners or joint venturers with each other and nothing herein shall be construed to make them such partners or joint venturers or impose any liability as such on either of them. The Servicer's relation to the Issuer shall be deemed to be that of an independent contractor.

#### 12. Term; Termination.

(a) This Agreement shall commence as of the date first set forth above and shall continue in force and effect until the first of the following occurs: (i) the payment in full of the Notes, the termination of the Indenture in accordance with its terms and the redemption in full of the Preferred Shares; (ii) the liquidation of the Collateral and the final distribution of the proceeds of such liquidation to the Securityholders; or (iii) the termination of this Agreement in accordance with subsection (b), (c), (d) or (e) of this Section 12 or Section 14 of this Agreement.

(b) Subject to Section 12(e) below, the Servicer may resign, upon 90 days' written notice to the Issuer (or such shorter notice as is acceptable to the Issuer). If the Servicer resigns, the Issuer agrees to appoint a successor Servicer to assume such duties and obligations in accordance with Section 12(e).

(c) This Agreement shall be automatically terminated in the event that the Issuer determines in good faith that the Issuer or the pool of Collateral has become required to be

registered under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, and the Issuer notifies the Servicer thereof.

(d) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to this Section 12, neither party shall have any further liability or obligation to the other, except as provided in Sections 2(c)(i), 8, 10 and 15 of this Agreement.

(e) No removal or resignation of the Servicer shall be effective unless:

I. if the Class A-1LA Notes are Outstanding and (i) the sum of (A) the Aggregate Par Amount of Portfolio Collateral other than any Equity Portfolio Collateral and (B) the Market Value of all Equity Portfolio Collateral (as determined by the Servicer in a commercially reasonable manner), if any, is less than (ii) the sum of (A) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Outstanding Notes other than the Class B-1L Notes plus any accrued and unpaid interest thereon and (B) 50% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B-1L Notes plus any accrued and unpaid interest thereon (a “Preferred Share Event”), then:

(i) (A) the Issuer appoints a successor Servicer at the written direction of a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single class and excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP), (B) such successor Servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer’s duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes); or

(ii) if a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single class and excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP) has nominated two or more possible successor Servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) or has otherwise failed to appoint a successor Servicer that has not been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) within 30 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer (or, if later, within 30 days of the last failure to successfully appoint a successor Servicer), then (A) the Issuer appoints a successor Servicer at the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes, (B) such successor Servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer’s duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single class and excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP); or

(iii) if the Issuer fails to appoint a successor Servicer pursuant to the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) within 90 days of any notice of resignation or removal of the Servicer, (A) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes may petition a court of competent authority to appoint a successor Servicer, (B) such court appoints a successor Servicer and (C) such successor Servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer’s duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture.

II. if there is no Preferred Share Event in effect, then:

(i) (A) the Issuer appoints a successor Servicer at the written direction of a Majority of the Preferred Shares (excluding any Preferred Shares held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority, other than HFP which may exercise its vote with respect to Preferred Shares it owns, up to the Original HFP Share Amount), (B) such successor Servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single class and excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP); or

(ii) if a Majority of the Preferred Shares (excluding any Preferred Shares held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP) has nominated two or more possible successor Servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) or has otherwise failed to appoint a successor Servicer that has not been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) within 30 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer (or, if later, within 30 days of the last failure to successfully appoint a successor Servicer), then (A) the Issuer appoints a successor Servicer at the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes, (B) such successor Servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 45 days after notice of such succession by either of (x) a Majority of the Preferred Shares (excluding any Preferred Shares held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP which may exercise its vote with respect to Preferred Shares it owns, up to the Original HFP Share Amount) or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single class and excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP); or

(iii) if the Issuer fails to appoint a successor Servicer pursuant to the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) within 90 days of any notice of resignation or removal of the Servicer, (A) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes may petition a court of competent authority to appoint a successor Servicer, (B) such court appoints a successor Servicer and (C) such successor Servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture.

In addition, any successor Servicer must be an established institution which (i) has demonstrated an ability to professionally and competently perform duties similar to those imposed upon the Servicer hereunder, (ii) is legally qualified and has the capacity to act as Servicer hereunder, as successor to the Servicer under this Agreement in the assumption of all of the responsibilities, duties and obligations of the Servicer hereunder and under the applicable terms of the Indenture, (iii) shall not cause the Issuer or the pool of Collateral to become required to register under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, (iv) shall perform its duties as Servicer under this Agreement and the Indenture without

causing the Issuer, the Co Issuer or any Holder of Preferred Shares to become subject to tax in any jurisdiction where such successor Servicer is established as doing business and (v) each Rating Agency has confirmed that the appointment of such successor Servicer shall not cause its then current rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn. No compensation payable to a successor Servicer from payments on the Collateral shall be greater than that paid to the Servicer without the prior written consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, Majority of the Noteholders and a Majority of the Preferred Shares. The Issuer, the Trustee and the successor Servicer shall take such action (or cause the retiring Servicer to take such action) consistent with this Agreement and the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer, as shall be necessary to effectuate any such succession.

If there has been no appointment of a successor Servicer within 90 days following the resignation or termination of the Servicer, until a successor Servicer has been appointed and has assumed its duties hereunder, any sales or disposition of Portfolio Collateral shall be limited to Credit Risk Portfolio Collateral, Defaulted Portfolio Collateral and Equity Portfolio Collateral; provided, that, such restriction on the sale or disposition of Portfolio Collateral shall not apply if the Portfolio Collateral is being liquidated in whole or in part in connection with an acceleration or early termination of the Notes.

(f) In the event of removal of the Servicer pursuant to this Agreement, the Issuer shall have all of the rights and remedies available with respect thereto at law or equity, and, without limiting the foregoing, the Issuer or, to the extent so provided in the Indenture, the Trustee may by notice in writing to the Servicer as provided under this Agreement terminate all the rights and obligations of the Servicer under this Agreement (except those that survive termination pursuant to Section 12(d) above). Upon expiration of the applicable notice period with respect to termination specified in this Section 12 or Section 14 of this Agreement, as applicable, all authority and power of the Servicer under this Agreement, whether with respect to the Collateral or otherwise, shall automatically and without further action by any person or entity pass to and be vested in the successor Servicer upon the appointment thereof.

### 13. Delegation; Assignments.

This Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Servicer hereunder, shall not be delegated by the Servicer, in whole or in part, except to any entity that (i) is controlled by any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers and (ii) is one in which any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers is involved in the day to day management and operations (and in any such case pursuant to an instrument of delegation in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer), without the prior written consent of the Issuer, a Majority of the Noteholders and a Majority of the Preferred Shares (excluding Notes and Preferred Shares held by the Servicer or any of its Affiliates) and, notwithstanding any such consent, no delegation of obligations or duties by the Servicer (including, without limitation, to an entity described above) shall relieve the Servicer from any liability hereunder.

Subject to Section 12, any assignment of this Agreement to any Person, in whole or in part, by the Servicer shall be deemed null and void unless (i) such assignment is consented to in writing by the Issuer, the Requisite Noteholders and the Holders of a Majority of the Preferred Shares (excluding Notes and Preferred Shares held by the Servicer or any of its Affiliates other than HFP) and (ii) the Rating Agency Confirmation is satisfied with respect to any such assignment. Any assignment consented to by the Issuer, the Requisite Noteholders and the Holders of Preferred Shares shall bind the assignee hereunder in the same manner as the Servicer is bound. In addition, the assignee shall execute and deliver to the Issuer and the Trustee a counterpart of this Agreement naming such assignee as Servicer. Upon the execution and delivery of such a counterpart by the assignee and consent thereto by the Issuer, the Requisite Noteholders and the Holders of the Preferred Shares, the Servicer shall be released from further obligations pursuant to this Agreement, except with respect to its obligations arising under Section 10 of this Agreement prior to such assignment and except with respect to its obligations under Sections 2(c)(i)

and 15 hereof. This Agreement shall not be assigned by the Issuer without the prior written consent of the Servicer and the Trustee, except in the case of assignment by the Issuer to (i) an entity which is a successor to the Issuer permitted under the Indenture, in which case such successor organization shall be bound hereunder and by the terms of said assignment in the same manner as the Issuer is bound thereunder or (ii) the Trustee as contemplated by the Indenture. In the event of any assignment by the Issuer, the Issuer shall cause its successor to execute and deliver to the Servicer such documents as the Servicer shall consider reasonably necessary to effect fully such assignment. The Servicer hereby consents to the matters set forth in Article 15 of the Indenture.

14. Termination by the Issuer for Cause.

Subject to Section 12(e) above, this Agreement shall be terminated and the Servicer shall be removed by the Issuer for cause upon 10 days' prior written notice to the Servicer and upon written notice to the Holders of the Securities as set forth below, but only if directed to do so by (1) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or (2) the Holders of at least 66-2/3% of the Preferred Shares (excluding any Preferred Shares held by the Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority, other than HFP which may exercise its vote with respect to Preferred Shares it owns, up to the Original HFP Share Amount). For purposes of determining "cause" with respect to any such termination of this Agreement, such term shall mean any one of the following events:

(a) the Servicer willfully breaches in any respect, or takes any action that it knows violates in any respect, any provision of this Agreement or any terms of the Indenture applicable to it;

(b) the Servicer breaches in any material respect any provision of this Agreement or any terms of the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement applicable to it, or any representation, warranty, certification or statement given in writing by the Servicer shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or given, and the Servicer fails to cure such breach or take such action so that the facts (after giving effect to such action) conform in all material respects to such representation, warranty, certificate or statement, in each case within 30 days of becoming aware of, or receiving notice from, the Trustee of, such breach or materially incorrect representation, warranty, certificate or statement;

(c) the Servicer is wound up or dissolved (other than a dissolution in which the remaining members elect to continue the business of the Servicer in accordance with its Governing Instruments) or there is appointed over it or a substantial portion of its assets a receiver, administrator, administrative receiver, trustee or similar officer, or the Servicer (i) ceases to be able to, or admits in writing its inability to, pay its debts as they become due and payable, or makes a general assignment for the benefit of or enters into any composition or arrangement with, its creditors generally; (ii) applies for or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, assignee, custodian, liquidator or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Servicer or of any substantial part of its properties or assets, or authorizes such an application or consent, or proceedings seeking such appointment are commenced without such authorization, consent or application against the Servicer and continue undismissed for 60 days; (iii) authorizes or files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, or applies for or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the application of any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, readjustment of debt, insolvency or dissolution, or authorizes such application or consent, or proceedings to such end are instituted against the Servicer without such authorization, application or consent and are approved as properly instituted and remain undismissed for 60 days or result in adjudication of bankruptcy or insolvency; or (iv) permits or

suffers all or any substantial part of its properties or assets to be sequestered or attached by court order and the order remains undismissed for 60 days;

(d) the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture that results from any breach by the Servicer of its duties under the Indenture or this Agreement, which breach or default is not cured within any applicable cure period; or

(e) (x) the occurrence of an act by the Servicer related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business that constitutes fraud, (y) the Servicer being indicted, or any of its principals being convicted, of a felony criminal offense related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business or (z) the Servicer being indicted for, adjudged liable in a civil suit for, or convicted of a violation of the Securities Act or any other United States Federal securities law or any rules or regulations thereunder.

If any of the events specified in this Section 14 shall occur, the Servicer shall give prompt written notice thereof to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Holders of all outstanding Notes and Preferred Shares upon the Servicer's becoming aware of the occurrence of such event.

15. Action Upon Termination.

(a) From and after the effective date of termination of this Agreement, the Servicer shall not be entitled to compensation for further services hereunder, but shall be paid all compensation accrued to the date of termination, as provided in Section 8 hereof, and shall be entitled to receive any amounts owing under Section 10 hereof. Upon the effective date of termination of this Agreement, the Servicer shall as soon as practicable:

(i) deliver to the Issuer all property and documents of the Trustee or the Issuer or otherwise relating to the Collateral then in the custody of the Servicer; and

(ii) deliver to the Trustee and the Fiscal Agent an accounting with respect to the books and records delivered to the Trustee and the Fiscal Agent or the successor Servicer appointed pursuant to Section 12(e) hereof.

Notwithstanding such termination, the Servicer shall remain liable to the extent set forth herein (but subject to Section 10 hereof) for its acts or omissions hereunder arising prior to termination and for any expenses, losses, damages, liabilities, demands, charges and claims (including reasonable attorneys' fees) in respect of or arising out of a breach of the representations and warranties made by the Servicer in Section 16(b) hereof or from any failure of the Servicer to comply with the provisions of this Section 15.

(b) The Servicer agrees that, notwithstanding any termination of this Agreement, it shall reasonably cooperate in any Proceeding arising in connection with this Agreement, the Indenture or any of the Collateral (excluding any such Proceeding in which claims are asserted against the Servicer or any Affiliate of the Servicer) upon receipt of appropriate indemnification and expense reimbursement.

16. Representations and Warranties.

(a) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants to the Servicer as follows:

(i) The Issuer has been duly registered and is validly existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands, has full power and authority to own its assets and the securities proposed to be owned by it and included in the Collateral and to transact the business in which it is presently engaged and is duly qualified under the laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Indenture or the Securities would require, such qualification, except for failures to be so qualified, authorized or licensed that would not in the aggregate have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Issuer.

(ii) The Issuer has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities and all obligations required hereunder and thereunder and has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities on the terms and conditions hereof and thereof and the execution by the Issuer, delivery and performance of this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities and the performance of all obligations imposed upon it hereunder and thereunder. No consent of any other person including, without limitation, shareholders and creditors of the Issuer, and no license, permit, approval or authorization of, exemption by, notice or report to, or registration, filing or declaration with, any governmental authority, other than those that may be required under state securities or "blue sky" laws and those that have been or shall be obtained in connection with the other Transaction Documents and the Securities is required by the Issuer in connection with this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities or the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities or the obligations imposed upon it hereunder or thereunder. This Agreement constitutes, and each instrument or document required hereunder, when executed and delivered hereunder, shall constitute, the legally valid and binding obligation of the Issuer enforceable against the Issuer in accordance with its terms, subject to (a) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights and (b) general equitable principles.

(iii) The execution by the Issuer, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the documents and instruments required hereunder shall not violate any provision of any existing law or regulation binding on the Issuer, or any order, judgment, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or governmental authority binding on the Issuer, or the Governing Instruments of, or any securities issued by, the Issuer or of any mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking to which the Issuer is a party or by which the Issuer or any of its assets may be bound, the violation of which would have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Issuer, and shall not result in or require the creation or imposition of any lien on any of its property, assets or revenues pursuant to the provisions of any such mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking (other than the lien of the Indenture).

(iv) The Issuer is not in violation of its Governing Instruments or in breach or violation of or in default under the Indenture or any contract or agreement to



which it is a party or by which it or any of its assets may be bound, or any applicable statute or any rule, regulation or order of any court, government agency or body having jurisdiction over the Issuer or its properties, the breach or violation of which or default under which would have a material adverse effect on the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the performance by the Issuer of its duties hereunder.

(v) True and complete copies of the Indenture and the Issuer's Governing Instruments have been delivered to the Servicer.

The Issuer agrees to deliver a true and complete copy of each amendment to the documents referred to in Section 16(a)(v) above to the Servicer as promptly as practicable after its adoption or execution.

(b) The Servicer hereby represents and warrants to the Issuer as follows:

(i) The Servicer is a limited partnership duly organized and validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware, has full power and authority to own its assets and to transact the business in which it is currently engaged and is duly qualified and in good standing under the laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of this Agreement would require such qualification, except for those jurisdictions in which the failure to be so qualified, authorized or licensed would not have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Servicer or on the ability of the Servicer to perform its obligations under, or on the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement and the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer.

(ii) The Servicer has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement and all obligations required hereunder and under the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer, and has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement on the terms and conditions hereof and the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and all obligations required hereunder and under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer. No consent of any other person, including, without limitation, creditors of the Servicer, and no license, permit, approval or authorization of, exemption by, notice or report to, or registration, filing or declaration with, any governmental authority is required by the Servicer in connection with this Agreement or the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the obligations required hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer. This Agreement has been, and each instrument and document required hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer shall be, executed and delivered by a duly authorized partner of the Servicer, and this Agreement constitutes, and each instrument and document required hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer when executed and delivered by the Servicer hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer shall constitute, the valid and legally binding obligations of the Servicer enforceable against the Servicer in accordance with their terms, subject to (a) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights and (b) general equitable principles.

(iii) The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer and the documents and instruments required hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer shall not violate or conflict with any provision of any existing law or regulation binding on or applicable to the Servicer, or any order, judgment, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or governmental authority binding on the Servicer, or the Governing Instruments of, or any securities issued by the Servicer or of any mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking to which the Servicer is a party or by which the Servicer or any of its assets may be bound, the violation of which would have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Servicer or its ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement and the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer, and shall not result in or require the creation or imposition of any lien on any of its material property, assets or revenues pursuant to the provisions of any such mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking.

(iv) There is no charge, investigation, action, suit or proceeding before or by any court pending or, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, threatened that, if determined adversely to the Servicer, would have a material adverse effect upon the performance by the Servicer of its duties under, or on the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement and the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer.

(v) The Servicer is a registered investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act.

(vi) The Servicer is not in violation of its Governing Instruments or in breach or violation of or in default under any contract or agreement to which it is a party or by which it or any of its property may be bound, or any applicable statute or any rule, regulation or order of any court, government agency or body having jurisdiction over the Servicer or its properties, the breach or violation of which or default under which would have a material adverse effect on the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer, or the performance by the Servicer of its duties hereunder.

17. Notices.

Unless expressly provided otherwise herein, all notices, requests, demands and other communications required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing (including by telecopy) and shall be deemed to have been duly given, made and received when delivered against receipt or upon actual receipt of registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, or, in the case of telecopy notice, when received in legible form, addressed as set forth below:

(a) If to the Issuer:

Rockwall CDO II Ltd.  
c/o Maples Finance Limited  
P.O. Box 1093GT  
Queensgate House  
South Church Street  
George Town, Grand Cayman, KY1-1108, Cayman Islands  
Telephone: (345) 945-7099  
Telecopy: (345) 945-7100  
Attention: The Directors

(b) If to the Servicer:

Highland Capital Management, L.P.  
Two Galleria Tower  
13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300  
Dallas, Texas 75240  
Telephone: (972) 628-4100  
Telecopy: (972) 628-4147  
Attention: James Dondero

(c) If to the Trustee:

Investors Bank & Trust Company  
200 Claredon Street  
Mailcode: EUC-108  
Boston, Massachusetts 02116  
Telecopy: (617) 351-4358  
Attention: CDO Services Group

(d) If to the Noteholders:

In accordance with Section 14.3 of the Indenture, at their respective addresses set forth on the Note Register.

(e) If to the Holders of the Preferred Shares:

In accordance with Section 14.3 of the Indenture, to the Paying and Transfer Agent at the address identified therein.

(f) if to the Rating Agencies:

In accordance with Section 14.3 of the Indenture, to the rating Agencies at the address identified therein.

Any party may alter the address or telecopy number to which communications or copies are to be sent by giving notice of such change of address in conformity with the provisions of this Section 17 for the giving of notice.

18. Binding Nature of Agreement; Successors and Assigns.

This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns as provided herein. The Servicer hereby consents to the collateral assignment of this Agreement as provided in the Indenture and further agrees that the Trustee may enforce the Servicer's obligations hereunder.

19. Entire Agreement.

This Agreement contains the entire agreement and understanding among the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements, understandings, inducements and conditions, express or implied, oral or written, of any nature whatsoever with respect to the subject matter hereof. The express terms hereof control and supersede any course of performance and/or usage of the trade inconsistent with any of the terms hereof. This Agreement may not be modified or amended other than by an agreement in writing executed by the parties hereto and in accordance with the terms of Section 14.1(f)(4) of the Indenture.

20. Conflict with the Indenture.

Subject to the last two sentences of Section 2(a)(i), in the event that this Agreement requires any action to be taken with respect to any matter and the Indenture requires that a different action be taken with respect to such matter, and such actions are mutually exclusive, the provisions of the Indenture in respect thereof shall control.

21. Priority of Payments.

The Servicer agrees that the payment of all amounts to which it is entitled pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture shall be due and payable only in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Indenture and only to the extent funds are available for such payments in accordance with such priorities.

22. Governing Law.

**THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS PROVISIONS THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION.**

23. Indulgences Not Waivers.

Neither the failure nor any delay on the part of any party hereto to exercise any right, remedy, power or privilege under this Agreement shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power or privilege preclude any other or further exercise of the same or of any other right, remedy, power or privilege, nor shall any waiver of any right, remedy, power or privilege with respect to any occurrence be construed as a waiver of such right, remedy, power or privilege with respect to any other occurrence. No waiver shall be effective unless it is in writing and is signed by the party asserted to have granted such waiver.

24. Costs and Expenses.

Except as may otherwise be agreed in writing, the costs and expenses (including the fees and disbursements of counsel and accountants) incurred by each party in connection with the negotiation and preparation of and the execution of this Agreement, and all matters incident thereto, shall be borne by such party.

25. Titles Not to Affect Interpretation.

The titles of paragraphs and subparagraphs contained in this Agreement are for convenience only, and they neither form a part of this Agreement nor are they to be used in the construction or interpretation hereof.

26. Execution in Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts by facsimile or other written form of communication, each of which shall be deemed to be an original as against any party whose signature appears thereon, and all of which shall together constitute one and the same instrument. This Agreement shall become binding when one or more counterparts hereof, individually or taken together, shall bear the signatures of all of the parties reflected hereon as the signatories.

27. Provisions Separable.

In case any provision in this Agreement shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable as written, such provision shall be construed in the manner most closely resembling the apparent intent of the parties with respect to such provision so as to be valid, legal and enforceable; provided, however, that if there is no basis for such a construction, such provision shall be ineffective only to the extent of such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability and, unless the ineffectiveness of such provision destroys the basis of the bargain for one of the parties to this Agreement, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions hereof or thereof shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

28. Number and Gender.

Words used herein, regardless of the number and gender specifically used, shall be deemed and construed to include any other number, singular or plural, and any other gender, masculine, feminine or neuter, as the context requires.

29. Written Disclosure Statement.

The Issuer and the Trustee acknowledge receipt of Part II of the Servicer's Form ADV filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, as required by Rule 204-3 under the Investment Advisers Act, more than 48 hours prior to the date of execution of this Agreement.

30. Miscellaneous.

(a) In the event that any vote is solicited with respect to any Portfolio Collateral, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall vote or refrain from voting any such security in any manner permitted by the Indenture that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities. In addition, with respect to any Defaulted Portfolio Collateral, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, may instruct the trustee for such Defaulted Portfolio Collateral to enforce the Issuer's rights under the Underlying Instruments governing such Defaulted

Portfolio Collateral and any applicable law, rule or regulation in any manner permitted under the Indenture that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities. In the event any Offer is made with respect to any Portfolio Collateral, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, may take such action as is permitted by the Indenture and that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities.

(b) In connection with taking or omitting any action under the Indenture or this Agreement, the Servicer may consult with counsel and may rely in good faith on the advice of such counsel or any opinion of counsel.

Any corporation, partnership or limited liability company into which the Servicer may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any corporation, partnership or limited liability company resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Servicer shall be a party, or any corporation, partnership or limited liability company succeeding to all or substantially all of the asset servicing and collateral management business of the Servicer, shall be the successor to the Servicer without any further action by the Servicer, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Noteholders or any other person or entity.

31. Limitation of Liabilities.

The Issuer's obligations hereunder are solely the corporate obligations of the Issuer and the Servicer shall not have any recourse to any of the directors, officers, shareholders, members or incorporators of the Issuer with respect to any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations in connection with any transactions contemplated hereby. The obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be limited to the net proceeds of the Collateral, if any, and following realization of the Collateral and its application in accordance with the Indenture, any outstanding obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. The provisions of this section shall survive termination of this Agreement.

32. Consent to Posting of Documents on Repository.

The Servicer hereby consents to (i) the posting of the final Offering Circular and the Indenture (collectively, the "Documents") and the periodic reports to be delivered pursuant to the Documents and any amendments or other modifications thereto on the Repository (as such term is defined in the Indenture) for use in the manner provided in the Repository; and (ii) the display of its name on the Repository in connection therewith.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,  
as Servicer

BY: STRAND ADVISORS, INC.,  
as General Partner

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

Name:

Title:

**James D. Dondero, President**  
**Strand Advisors, Inc., General Partner of**  
**Highland Capital Management, L.P.**  
ROCKWALL CDO II LTD.,  
as Issuer

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

Name:

Title:

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Name:  
Title:

ROCKWALL CDO II LTD.,  
as Issuer

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name:  
Title: **Chris Marett**  
Director



## ANNEX 1

### Certain Tax Provisions

Unless otherwise noted, references to the Issuer in this Annex 1 include the Servicer and any other person acting on the Issuer's behalf. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein will have the meanings ascribed to them in the Indenture.

For purposes of this Annex 1,

“Affiliate” means, with respect to a specified Person, (a) any other Person that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls or is controlled by, or is under common control with, the specified Person and (b) any Person that is a member, director, officer or employee of (i) the specified Person or (ii) a Person described in clause (a) of this definition; and

“Person” means an individual, a corporation, a limited liability company, a partnership, an association, a trust or any other entity or organization, including a government or political subdivision or an agency or instrumentality thereof.

### Section I. General Restrictions.

As provided in this Annex 1, the Issuer shall only purchase debt securities, interests in loans and other assets (each a “Portfolio Collateral”) only in secondary-market transactions and shall not engage in any lending or underwriting activities or otherwise participate in the structuring or origination of any Portfolio Collateral.

#### A. Communications and Negotiations.

1. The Issuer will not have any communications or negotiations with the obligor of a Portfolio Collateral or a Reference Obligation (directly or indirectly through an intermediary such as the seller of such Portfolio Collateral or the Synthetic Security) in connection with the issuance or funding of such Portfolio Collateral or Reference Obligation or commitments with respect thereto, except for communications of an immaterial nature or customary due diligence communications; provided, that the Servicer may provide comments as to mistakes or inconsistencies in loan documents (including with respect to any provisions that are inconsistent with the terms and conditions of purchase of the loan by the Issuer).

2. By way of example, permitted due diligence activities may include, but are not limited to, (a) attendance at an obligor's general “roadshow” or other presentations to investment professionals, (b) direct private discussions with personnel of the obligor, arranged by a sponsor, lead bank or other arranger, and (c) other due diligence activities of the kind customarily performed by offerees of the type of Portfolio Collateral being offered, but may not include any negotiations with the obligor, employees or agents of the obligor of any terms or conditions of the Portfolio Collateral being offered.

3. Negotiations between the Servicer and the underwriter, placement agent or broker of Portfolio Collateral are permitted solely to the extent that they are limited to responses to customary pre-offering period and offering period inquiries by the underwriter or placement agent (e.g., “If we offered you 10-year senior subordinated bonds of XYZ company, what spread

would it require to interest you?” or “If you will not buy the bonds as offered, would you buy if we convinced the obligor to add a fixed charge coverage test?”). For purposes of this Section I.A., “negotiations” shall not include (i) commenting on offering documents to an unrelated underwriter or placement agent when the ability to comment was generally available to other investors, or (ii) communicating certain objective criteria (such as the minimum yield or maturity) the Issuer generally uses in purchasing the relevant type of Portfolio Collateral.

4. The Issuer may consent or otherwise act with respect to amendments, supplements or other modifications of the terms of any Portfolio Collateral (other than a Subsidiary Obligation (as defined in Section III)) requiring consent or action after the date on which any such Portfolio Collateral is acquired by the Issuer if (a) such amendment, supplement or modification would not constitute a Significant Modification (as defined below), (b) (i) in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the obligor is in financial distress and such change in terms is desirable to protect the Issuer’s interest in such Portfolio Collateral and (ii) the Portfolio Collateral is described in clause 5(b) of this Section I.A., (c) the amendment or modification would not be treated as the acquisition of a new Portfolio Collateral under paragraph 5 of this Section I.A., or (d) otherwise, if it has received advice of counsel that its involvement in such amendment, supplement or modification will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business within the United States.

A “Significant Modification” means any amendment, supplement or other modification that involves (a) a change in the stated maturity or a change in the timing of any material payment of any Portfolio Collateral (including deferral of an interest payment), that would materially alter the weighted average life of the Portfolio Collateral, (b) any change (whether positive or negative) in the yield on the Portfolio Collateral immediately prior to the modification in excess of the greater of (i) 25 basis points or (ii) 5 percent of such unmodified yield, (c) any change involving a material new extension of credit, (d) a change in the obligor of any Portfolio Collateral (as determined for purposes of section 1001 of the Code), or (e) a material change in the collateral or security for any Portfolio Collateral, including the addition or deletion of a co-obligor or guarantor that results in a material change in payment expectations.

5. In the event the Issuer owns an interest in a Portfolio Collateral the terms of which are subsequently amended or modified, or in the case of a workout situation not described in Section III hereof, which Portfolio Collateral is subsequently exchanged for new obligations or other securities of the obligor of the Portfolio Collateral, such amendments or modifications or exchange will not be treated as the acquisition of an interest in a new Portfolio Collateral for purposes of this Annex 1, provided, that (a) the Issuer does not, directly or indirectly (through the Servicer or otherwise), seek the amendments or modifications or the exchange, or participate in negotiating the amendments or modifications or the exchange, and (b) at the time of original acquisition of the interest in the Portfolio Collateral, it was not reasonably anticipated that the terms of the Portfolio Collateral would, pursuant to a workout or other negotiation, subsequently be amended or modified.

B. Fees. The Issuer will not earn or receive from any Person any fee or other compensation for services, however denominated, in connection with its purchase or sale of a Portfolio Collateral or entering into a Synthetic Security; the foregoing prohibition shall not be construed to preclude the Issuer from receiving (i) commitment fees or facility maintenance fees that are received by the Issuer in connection with revolving or delayed drawdown Loans; (ii) yield maintenance and prepayment penalty fees; (iii) fees on account of the Issuer’s consenting to amendments, waivers or other modifications of the terms of any Portfolio Collateral; (iv) fees from permitted securities lending; or (v) upfront payments in lieu of periodic payments under a Synthetic Security. The Issuer will not provide services to any Person;

the foregoing prohibition shall not be construed to preclude the Issuer from activities relating to the receipt of income described in (i) through (v) of the preceding sentence.

Section II. Loans and Forward Purchase Commitments.

A. Any understanding or commitment to purchase a loan, a participation, a loan subparticipation or a collateralized loan obligation (collectively, “Loans”) from a seller before completion of the closing and full funding of the Loan by such seller shall only be made pursuant to a forward sale agreement at an agreed price (stated as a dollar amount or as a percentage) (a “Forward Purchase Commitment”), unless such an understanding or commitment is not legally binding and neither the Issuer nor the Servicer is economically compelled (e.g., would otherwise be subject to a significant monetary penalty) to purchase the Loan following the completion of the closing and full funding of the Loan (i.e., the Servicer will make an independent decision whether to purchase such Loan on behalf of the Issuer after completion of the closing of the Loan) (a “Non-Binding Agreement”).

B. No Forward Purchase Commitment or Non-Binding Agreement shall be made until after the seller (or a transferor to such seller of such Loan) has made a legally binding commitment to fully fund such Loan to the obligor thereof (subject to customary conditions), which commitment cannot be conditioned on the Issuer’s ultimate purchase of such Loan from such seller.

C. In the event of any reduced or eliminated funding, the Issuer shall not receive any premium, fee, or other compensation in connection with having entered into the Forward Purchase Commitment or Non-Binding Agreement.

D. The Issuer shall not close any purchase of a Loan subject to a Forward Purchase Commitment or a Non-Binding Agreement earlier than 48 hours after the time of the closing of the Loan (i.e., execution of definitive documentation), and, in the case of a Forward Purchase Commitment, the Issuer’s obligation to purchase such Loan is subject to the condition that no material adverse change has occurred in the financial condition of the Loan’s obligor or the relevant market on or before the relevant purchase date.

E. The Issuer cannot have a contractual relationship with the borrower with respect to a Loan until the Issuer actually purchases the Loan.

F. The Issuer cannot be a signatory on the original lending agreement, and cannot be obligated to fund an assignment of or a participation in a Loan, prior to the time specified in subsection D above.

G. The Issuer will not purchase any Portfolio Collateral or enter into any Forward Purchase Commitment or Non-Binding Agreement as to which it knows that the seller or counterparty has acted or described itself as acting as the Issuer’s agent in purchasing the Portfolio Collateral or in making or committing to make the loan to which the Forward Purchase Commitment or Non-Binding Agreement relates, and for the avoidance of doubt no such sale or agreement shall be entered into with the understanding that the seller or counterparty will disclose to the borrower the Issuer’s intention to purchase the underlying Loan prior to execution of final legal documentation of the Loan.

H. The Issuer shall not purchase an item of Portfolio Collateral unless the purchase occurs after 48 hours from the closing and execution of final documentation with respect to such item.

Section III. Distressed Debt Obligations.

A. The Issuer may only purchase a Debt Instrument that is a Potential Workout Obligation to the extent permitted by this Section III.

B. The Issuer shall not purchase a Subsidiary Obligation from any Issuer Subsidiary.

C. Special Procedures for Subsidiary Obligations.

1. Potential Workout Obligations. On or prior to the date of acquisition, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall identify each Portfolio Collateral that is a Potential Workout Obligation.

2. Transfer of Subsidiary Obligations. From and after the occurrence of a Workout Determination Date with respect to a Subsidiary Obligation, the Issuer shall not knowingly take any action in respect of such Subsidiary Obligation that may result in the Issuer being engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes. As soon as practicable, but in any event within 30 calendar days following a Workout Determination Date, the Servicer shall cause the Issuer either (i) to sell or dispose of any Subsidiary Obligation identified on such Workout Determination Date to a Person that is not an Affiliate of the Issuer or Servicer or (ii) to assign any Subsidiary Obligation identified on such Workout Determination Date to an Issuer Subsidiary.

For purposes of this Annex 1, an “Issuer Subsidiary” means any wholly-owned corporate subsidiary of the Issuer to which a Special Workout Obligation may be transferred in accordance with this Annex 1.

3. Consideration for Assignment of Subsidiary Obligations. Consideration given by an Issuer Subsidiary for the assignment to it of Subsidiary Obligations may be in the form of cash or in the form of indebtedness of, or equity interests in, such Issuer Subsidiary.

4. Classification of Issuer Subsidiaries. Each Issuer Subsidiary shall be an entity treated as a corporation for United States federal income tax purposes.

As used herein:

“Potential Workout Obligation” means any debt instrument (any such instrument, including an interest in a Loan, a “Debt Instrument”) which, as of the date of acquisition by the Issuer or an Issuer Subsidiary, based on information specific to such Debt Instrument or the circumstances of the obligor thereof, is a Workout Obligation or, in the reasonable determination of the Servicer, has a materially higher likelihood of becoming a Workout Obligation as compared to debt obligations that par or other non-distressed debt purchasers or funds customarily purchase and expect to hold to maturity.

“Subsidiary Obligation” means any Potential Workout Obligation (a) as to which the Issuer on any Workout Determination Date either (i) owns more than 40% of the aggregate principal amount of such class of Potential Workout Obligation outstanding or (ii) is one of the two largest holders of any class of debt of the issuer of such Potential Workout Obligation (based on the outstanding principal amount of such class of debt owned by the Issuer as a percentage of the aggregate outstanding principal amount of such class of debt) unless not fewer than three other holders and the Issuer collectively own at least 65% of such class of debt and, if the Issuer

is the largest holder of such class, the Issuer's percentage of such class does not exceed the percentage held by the next largest holder of the debt by more than 5% of such class or (b) that would, upon foreclosure or exercise of similar legal remedies, result in the Issuer directly owning assets (other than securities treated as debt, equity in a partnership not engaged in a trade or business within the United States, or corporate equity for United States federal income tax purposes, provided in the case of corporate equity that the corporation is not a "United States real property holding corporation" within the meaning of section 897 of the Code) which are "United States real property interests" within the meaning of section 897 of the Code or which the Servicer reasonably expects it would, on behalf of the Issuer, be required to actively manage to preserve the value of the Issuer's interest therein; provided that a Potential Workout Obligation shall not be treated as a Subsidiary Obligation if the Issuer obtains a Tax Opinion that, based on all the surrounding circumstances, the activities in which the Issuer intends to engage with respect to such Potential Workout Obligation will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes.

"Workout Determination Date" means any date on which, in connection with the occurrence of any event described in clauses (a) through (c), inclusive, of the definition of Workout Obligation, either (a) any material action by the Issuer is required to be taken, (b) the Servicer receives written notice that such material action shall be required or (c) the Servicer reasonably determines that the taking of such material action is likely to be required.

"Workout Obligation" means any Debt Instrument as to which the Issuer (a) consents to a Significant Modification in connection with the workout of a defaulted Portfolio Collateral, (b) participates in an official or unofficial committee or similar official or unofficial body in connection with a bankruptcy, reorganization, restructuring or similar proceeding, or (c) exercises, or has exercised, rights of foreclosure or similar judicial remedies.

#### Section IV. Purchases from the Servicer or its Affiliates.

A. If the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer acted as an underwriter, placement or other agent, arranger, negotiator or structuror, or received any fee for services (it being understood that receipts described in clauses (i) through (v) of Section I.B. are not construed as so treated), in connection with the issuance or origination of a Portfolio Collateral or was a member of the original lending syndicate with respect to the Portfolio Collateral (any such Portfolio Collateral, a "Special Procedures Obligation"), the Issuer will not acquire any interest in such Special Procedures Obligation (including entering into a commitment or agreement, whether or not legally binding or enforceable, to acquire such obligation directly or synthetically), from (x) the Servicer or (y) an Affiliate of the Servicer, or a fund managed by the Servicer, unless, in the case of (y) only, (i) the Special Procedures Obligation has been outstanding for at least 90 days, (ii) the holder of the Special Procedures Obligation did not identify the obligation or security as intended for sale to the Issuer within 90 days of its issuance, (iii) the price paid for such Special Procedures Obligation by the Issuer is its fair market value at the time of acquisition by the Issuer, and (iv) the transaction is proposed to, and the ultimate purchase is approved on behalf of the Issuer by, one or more Independent Advisors to the Issuer in accordance with the provisions of Section IV.B. below. The Issuer will not acquire any Special Procedures Obligation if, immediately following such acquisition, the fair market value of all Special Procedures Obligations owned by the Issuer would constitute more than 49% of the fair market value of all of the Issuer's assets at such time.

B. An "Independent Advisor" is a Person who is not an Affiliate of the Issuer, the Servicer or any fund serviced or managed by the Servicer.

1. The Issuer may not purchase or commit to enter into any such Special Procedures Obligation without prior approval by an Independent Advisor. If the Independent Advisor declines to approve a proposed Special Procedures Obligation, at least three months must elapse before any proposal with respect to a purchase of debt or other obligations of the same obligor is proposed or considered.

2. The Issuer shall engage the Independent Advisor in an agreement the terms of which shall in substantial form set forth:

(a) the representation of the Independent Advisor, which the Servicer shall not know to be incorrect, that it has significant financial and commercial expertise, including substantial expertise and knowledge in and of the loan market and related investment arenas;

(b) the agreement between the Independent Advisor, the Issuer and the Servicer generally to the effect that (i) the Independent Advisor will operate pursuant to procedures consistent with maintaining his or her independence from the Servicer and its Affiliates, (ii) the Independent Advisor will have the sole authority and discretion to approve or reject acquisition proposals made by the Servicer with respect to any Special Procedures Obligation, (iii) all proposals for the Issuer to acquire any Special Procedures Obligation will be first submitted to the Independent Advisor, (iii) the Servicer will prepare the materials it deems necessary to describe the Special Procedures Obligation to the Independent Advisor, (iv) the Investment Advisor will not be required to make any decision to accept or decline a Special Procedures Obligation at the price offered prior to its review of the materials prepared, plus any additional information requested by the Independent Advisor, and (v) no Independent Advisor may be proposed to be removed or replaced by the Servicer, unless for cause or in the event of a resignation of such Independent Advisor; and

(c) such other commercially reasonable terms and conditions, including terms and conditions to the effect that (i) the Independent Advisor will be paid a reasonable fee for its services plus reimbursement of any reasonable expenses incurred in performance of his or her responsibilities, (ii) the Independent Advisor may be removed or replaced only by a majority (whether by positive act or failure to object) of the probable equity owners (as determined for United States federal income tax purposes) of the Issuer, (iii) if at any time there is more than one Independent Advisor to the Issuer, a majority of such Independent Advisors must approve any Special Procedures Obligation subject to Independent Advisor approval, (iv) an Independent Advisor may not engage, directly or indirectly, in the negotiation of the terms of any Special Procedures Obligation to be acquired by the Issuer (provided however, that an Independent Advisor may negotiate with the Servicer or the seller with respect to the price and terms of the Issuer's purchase of the Special Procedures Obligation, provided further that the Independent Advisor will not make suggestions to the Servicer or any other person about alternative or modified terms of the underlying Special Procedures Obligation on which they might be willing to approve such a Special Procedures Obligation).

3. Any servicing agreement or other document under which the Servicer is granted signatory powers or other authority on behalf of the Issuer will provide that such powers or authority with respect to Special Procedures Obligations are conditioned upon the prior written approval of the Independent Advisor

4. No Special Procedures Obligation will be presented to an Independent Advisor until at least 90 days have elapsed since the later of (a) the execution of final documentation and (b) the funding in whole or part of the Special Procedures Obligation and there will have been no commitment or arrangement prior to that time that the Issuer will acquire any such Special Procedures Obligation; provided, further, that if the person from whom the Issuer will acquire the Special Procedures Obligation is an Affiliate of the Servicer, the 90 day period specified in this clause (4) will be extended by such number of days as the Affiliate does not enjoy substantially all of the benefits and burdens of ownership (for example, because it has hedged its credit exposure to the Special Procedures Obligation).

5. The Issuer will have no obligation to, or understanding that it will refund, reimburse or indemnify any person (including an Affiliate of the Servicer), directly or indirectly, for “breakage” costs or other costs or expenses incurred by such person if the Independent Advisor determines that the Issuer should decline to purchase any Special Procedures Obligation.

6. Neither the Servicer nor any Affiliate of the Servicer will have any authority to enter into agreements, or take any action, on behalf of the Issuer with respect to Special Procedures Obligations without the prior written approval of an Independent Advisor. Except as may be conditioned upon such prior written approval, neither the Servicer nor any Affiliate of the Servicer may hold itself out as having signatory powers on behalf of the Issuer or authority to enter into agreements with respect to Special Procedures Obligations on behalf of the Issuer.

#### Section V. Synthetic Securities.

A. The Issuer shall not (i) acquire or enter into any Synthetic Security with respect to any Reference Obligation the direct acquisition of which would violate any provision of this Annex 1 or (ii) use Synthetic Securities as a means of making advances to the Synthetic Security Counterparty following the date on which the Synthetic Security is acquired or entered into (for the avoidance of doubt, the establishment of Synthetic Security collateral accounts and the payment of Synthetic Security Counterparties from the amounts on deposit therein, shall not constitute the making of advances).

B. With respect to each Synthetic Security, the Issuer will not acquire or enter into any Synthetic Security which does not satisfy all of the following additional criteria unless the Servicer has first received advice of counsel that the ownership and disposition of such Synthetic Security would not cause the Issuer to be engaged in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes:

1. the criteria used to determine whether to enter into any particular Synthetic Security was similar to the criteria used by the Servicer in making decisions to acquire debt securities;

2. the Synthetic Security is acquired by or entered into by the Issuer for its own account and for investment purposes with the expectation of realizing a profit from income earned on the securities (and any potential rise in their value during the interval of time between their purchase and sale) or hedging purposes and not with an intention to trade or to sell for a short-term profit;

3. the Issuer enters into the Synthetic Security with a counterparty that is not a special purpose vehicle and is a broker-dealer or that holds itself out as in the business of entering into such contracts;

4. neither the Issuer nor any Person acting on behalf of the Issuer advertises or publishes the Issuer's ability to enter into Synthetic Securities;

5. except with respect to (x) credit-linked notes or similar Synthetic Securities and (y) any other Synthetic Securities where standard form ISDA documentation is not applicable, the Synthetic Security is written on standard form ISDA documentation;

6. the net payment from the Issuer to the Synthetic Security Counterparty is not determined based on an actual loss incurred by the Synthetic Security Counterparty or any other designated person;

7. there exists no agreement, arrangement or understanding that (i) the Synthetic Security Counterparty is required to own or hold the related Reference Obligation while the Synthetic Security remains in effect or (ii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty is economically or practically compelled to own or hold the related physical Reference Obligation while the Synthetic Security remains in effect;

8. the Synthetic Security provides for (i) all cash settlement, (ii) all physical settlement or (iii) the option to either cash settle or physically settle; provided that, in the latter two cases, physical settlement provides the settling party the right to settle the Synthetic Security by delivering deliverable obligations which *may* include the Reference Obligation and the settling party must not be required to deliver the related Reference Obligation upon the settlement of such Synthetic Security.

Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, a Synthetic Security providing for physical settlement may require a party to deliver the related Reference Obligation if either:

(i) at the time the Issuer enters into such Synthetic Security, such Reference Obligation is readily available to purchasers generally in a liquid market; or

(ii) the advice of both United States federal income tax and insurance counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters is that, under the relevant facts and circumstances with respect to such Synthetic Security, the acquisition of such Synthetic Security will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis and should not cause the Issuer to be treated as writing insurance in the United States under the law of the state in which the Synthetic Security Counterparty is organized.

9. the Synthetic Security is not treated by the Issuer as insurance or a financial guarantee sold by the Issuer for United States or Cayman Islands regulatory purposes.

As used herein:

"Reference Obligation" means a debt security or other obligation upon which a Synthetic Security is based.

"Synthetic Security" means any swap transaction or security, other than a participation interest in a Loan, that has payments associated with either payments of interest and/or principal on a Reference Obligation or the credit performance of a Reference Obligation.



“Synthetic Security Counterparty” means an entity (other than the Issuer) required to make payments on a Synthetic Security (including any guarantor).

Section VI. Other Types of Assets.

A. Equity Restrictions. The Issuer will not purchase any asset (directly or synthetically) that is:

1. not treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as debt if the issuing entity is a “partnership” (within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(2) of the Code) unless such entity is not engaged in a trade or business within the United States, or

2. a “United States real property interest” as defined in section 897 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.

The Issuer may cause an Issuer Subsidiary to acquire assets set forth in clause (i) or (ii) above (each, an “ETB/897 Asset”) in connection with the workout of defaulted Portfolio Collateral, so long as the acquisition of ETB/897 Assets by such Issuer Subsidiary will not cause the stock of such Issuer Subsidiary to be deemed to be an ETB/897 Asset.

B. Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans. All of the terms of any advance required to be made by the Issuer under any revolving or delayed drawdown Loan will be fixed as of the date of the Issuer’s purchase thereof (or will be determinable under a formula that is fixed as of such date), and the Issuer and the Servicer will not have any discretion (except for consenting or withholding consent to amendments, waivers or other modifications or granting customary waivers upon default) as to whether to make advances under such revolving or delayed drawdown Loan. Further, the Issuer shall not purchase any item of Portfolio Collateral that requires the Issuer in any manner whatsoever to acquire new Portfolio Collateral from the borrower or otherwise lend, advance or provide new funds to the borrower unless the addition of such Portfolio Collateral would not cause 10% or more of the aggregate principal amount of the Portfolio Collateral owned by the Issuer to be considered revolving or delayed drawdown loans.

C. Securities Lending Agreements. The Issuer will not purchase any Portfolio Collateral primarily for the purpose of entering into a securities lending agreement with respect thereto.

Section VII. General Restrictions on the Issuer. The Issuer itself shall not:

A. hold itself out, through advertising or otherwise, as originating Loans, lending funds, or making a market in or dealing in Loans or other assets;

B. register as, hold itself out as, or become subject to regulatory supervision or other legal requirements under the laws of any country or political subdivision thereof as, a broker-dealer, a bank, an insurance company, financial guarantor, a surety bond issuer, or a company engaged in Loan origination;

C. knowingly take any action causing it to be treated as a bank, insurance company, or company engaged in Loan origination for purposes of any tax, securities law or other filing or submission made to any governmental authority;

D. hold itself out, through advertising or otherwise, as originating, funding, guaranteeing or insuring debt obligations or as being willing and able to enter into transactions (either purchases or sales

of debt obligations or entries into, assignments or terminations of hedging or derivative instruments, including Synthetic Securities) at the request of others;

E. treat Synthetic Securities as insurance, reinsurance, indemnity bonds, guaranties, guaranty bonds or suretyship contracts for any purpose;

F. allow any non-U.S. bank or lending institution who is a holder of a Security to control or direct the Servicer's or Issuer's decision to acquire a particular asset except as otherwise allowed to such a holder, acting in that capacity, under the related indenture or acquire a Portfolio Collateral conditioned upon a particular person or entity holding Securities;

G. acquire any asset the holding or acquisition of which the Servicer knows would cause the Issuer to be subject to income tax on a net income basis;

H. hold any security as nominee for another person; or

I. buy securities with the intent to subdivide them and sell the components or to buy securities and sell them with different securities as a package or unit.

Section VIII. Tax Opinion; Amendments.

A. In furtherance and not in limitation of this Annex 1, the Servicer shall comply with all of the provisions set forth in this Annex 1, unless, with respect to a particular transaction, the Servicer acting on behalf of the Issuer and the Trustee shall have received written advice of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP or an opinion of other counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters (a "Tax Opinion"), that, under the relevant facts and circumstances with respect to such transaction, the Servicer's failure to comply with one or more of such provisions will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis.

B. The provisions set forth in the Annex 1 may be amended, eliminated or supplemented by the Servicer if the Issuer, the Servicer and the Trustee shall have received a Tax Opinion that the Servicer's compliance with such amended provisions or supplemental provisions or the failure to comply with such provisions proposed to be eliminated, as the case may be, will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis.

## **EXHIBIT FFF**

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**Offering Circular****Southfork CLO Ltd.  
Southfork CLO Corp.**

U.S.\$52,000,000 Class A-1a Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2017  
 U.S.\$7,000,000 Class A-1b Fixed Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2017  
 U.S.\$400,000,000 Class A-1g Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2017  
 U.S.\$42,500,000 Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2017  
 U.S.\$23,500,000 Class A-3a Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2017  
 U.S.\$2,500,000 Class A-3b Fixed Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2017  
 U.S.\$39,000,000 Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2017  
 U.S.\$36,300,000 Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2017  
 82,200 Preference Shares  
 U.S.\$6,000,000 Class 1 Extendable Composite Securities Due 2017

Southfork CLO Ltd. (the "**Issuer**") and Southfork CLO Corp. (the "**Co-Issuer**" and, together with the Issuer, the "**Co-Issuers**") will issue the Class A-1a Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the "**Class A-1a Notes**"), the Class A-1b Fixed Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the "**Class A-1b Notes**"), the Class A-1g Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the "**Class A-1g Notes**" or the "**Insured Notes**" and, together with the Class A-1a Notes and the Class A-1b Notes, the "**Senior Class A Notes**"), the Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the "**Class A-2 Notes**"), the Class A-3a Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the "**Class A-3a Notes**"), the Class A-3b Fixed Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes (the "**Class A-3b Notes**" and, together with the Class A-3a Notes, the "**Class A-3 Notes**" and, the Class A-3 Notes together with the Senior Class A Notes and the Class A-2 Notes, the "**Class A Notes**"), the Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes (the "**Class B Notes**") and the Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes (the "**Class C Notes**" and, together with the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes, the "**Notes**") and the Issuer will individually issue the Class 1 Extendable Composite Securities (the "**Class 1 Composite Securities**") consisting of (i) a component entitling its holders to rights in respect of 2,000 Preference Shares (the "**Preference Share Component**") and (ii) a component entitling its holders to rights to receive proceeds from a trust account initially holding a United States Treasury strip security maturing on November 15, 2016 with a principal amount at maturity of U.S.\$6,000,000 (the "**Class 1 Component**" and, together with the Preference Share Component, the "**Components**"), and the Preference Shares, U.S.\$0.01 par value per share (the "**Preference Shares**" and, together with the Notes and the Class 1 Composite Securities, the "**Securities**"), in each case in the aggregate principal amounts or number of Preference Shares as described above. The Notes and the Class 1 Composite Securities will be issued on or about March 15, 2005 (the "**Closing Date**") pursuant to an Indenture, dated as of March 15, 2005 (the "**Indenture**"), among the Co-Issuers, Assured Guaranty Corp., as Insurer (the "**Insurer**") and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as Trustee (the "**Trustee**"). The Preference Shares will be issued on or about the Closing Date pursuant to and subject to the terms of the Preference Share Documents. The Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Class 1 Composite Securities and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares are subject to multiple extensions to the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (in the case of the Notes and the Class 1 Composite Securities) and the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (in the case of the Preference Shares), if the Issuer provides timely notice and the Extension Conditions are satisfied as described herein.



The Insured Notes will be guaranteed as to the full and timely payment of the Insured Amounts that shall become Due for Payment but shall be unpaid by reason of Nonpayment by the Issuer, pursuant to the terms of a financial insurance guaranty policy to be issued by the Insurer (the "**Policy**"). No other Class of Securities are entitled to the benefits of the Policy. See "The Insurer and the Policy."

The net proceeds of the offering of the Securities will be applied by the Issuer to repurchase participation interests in certain Collateral Obligations sold to finance the purchase of such Collateral Obligations prior to the Closing Date and to purchase additional Collateral Obligations on and after the Closing Date, all of which will be pledged under the Indenture by the Issuer to the Trustee. See "Use of Proceeds." Highland Capital Management, L.P. will serve as portfolio manager for the Issuer's portfolio.

**For a discussion of certain factors regarding the Issuer and the Securities that, among other things, should be considered by prospective purchasers of the Securities, see "Risk Factors."**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN, AND WILL NOT BE, REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "**SECURITIES ACT**") AND NEITHER THE ISSUER NOR THE CO-ISSUER WILL BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE "**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**"). THE SECURITIES WILL BE OFFERED AND SOLD TO NON-U.S. PERSONS (AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT ("**REGULATION S**")) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN RELIANCE ON REGULATION S. THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, U.S. PERSONS EXCEPT TO PERSONS THAT ARE (I)(A) QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYERS ("**QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYERS**") (AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT ("**RULE 144A**")) IN RELIANCE ON THE EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS PROVIDED BY RULE 144A OR (B) SOLELY IN THE CASE OF THE COMPOSITE SECURITIES AND THE PREFERENCE SHARES, "ACCREDITED INVESTORS" ("**ACCREDITED INVESTORS**") (WITHIN THE MEANING SPECIFIED IN RULE 501(a) OF REGULATION D UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT) IN TRANSACTIONS EXEMPT FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND (II)(A) QUALIFIED PURCHASERS ("**QUALIFIED PURCHASERS**") (FOR PURPOSES OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT), (B) SOLELY IN THE CASE OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES, KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEES ("**KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEES**") (AS DEFINED IN RULE 3c-5 OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT) OR (C) AN ENTITY OWNED EXCLUSIVELY BY QUALIFIED PURCHASERS AND/OR, SOLELY IN THE CASE OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES, KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEES, AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANY OTHER APPLICABLE LAW. THE SECURITIES ARE NOT TRANSFERABLE EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS DESCRIBED UNDER "TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS."

The Notes, the Composite Securities and a portion of the Preference Shares (the "**Purchased Securities**") are being offered by J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. ("**JPMorgan**") as initial purchaser (in such capacity, the "**Initial Purchaser**"), when, as and if such Purchased Securities are received and accepted by the Initial Purchaser and subject to prior sale, withdrawal, cancellation or modification of the offer without notice, to the right of the Initial Purchaser to reject orders in whole or in part and to certain other conditions. The remaining Preference Shares will be offered and sold by the Issuer directly to the Portfolio Manager and/or its Affiliates and JPMorgan is not acting as a placement agent or initial purchaser with respect to the offering of such portion of Preference Shares.

**JPMorgan**

March 9, 2005

Payment of interest on, and principal of, the Notes will be made by the Issuer in U.S. Dollars on the first day of each February, May, August and November of each year (or if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day) (each such date a "**Payment Date**"), commencing August 1, 2005, to the extent of available cash flow in respect of the Collateral in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Each Class of Notes will bear interest at the per annum rates set forth under "Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities." The Preference Shares will receive as dividends certain amounts available for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments. See "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments."

The Notes will be subject to Optional Redemption in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period, in each case at the direction of the Holders of at least 63% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares. The Notes will be subject to mandatory redemption on any Payment Date, to the extent that any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied, as described herein. The Notes will be subject to Special Redemption, at the discretion of the Portfolio Manager, to the extent that at any time during the Reinvestment Period, the Portfolio Manager cannot identify satisfactory Collateral Obligations for investment of Collection Account funds. After redemption in full of the Notes, the Preference Shares will be subject to Optional Redemption in whole or in part on any Payment Date by the Issuer at the direction of the requisite percentage of the Preference Shares at the applicable Redemption Price pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted; *provided, however*, that the Preference Shares must be redeemed on or prior to the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. Upon the occurrence of a redemption of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Indenture, in whole or in part, the Class 1 Components shall be redeemed by the Issuer, in whole but not in part, on the related Composite Securities Payment Date from the Class 1 Collateral available for that purpose in the Class 1 Component Account at the applicable Redemption Price. See "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption," "—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes," "—Special Redemption of Notes If the Portfolio Manager Does Not Identify Investments as Contemplated by the Indenture" and "—Priority of Payments." The principal amount of the Notes and the Composite Securities will be payable at the Stated Maturity, unless redeemed or paid in full prior thereto. The Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed at their Redemption Price on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, unless redeemed prior thereto.

Certain pledged assets of the Issuer are the sole source of payments on the Securities. The Securities do not represent an interest in or obligations of, and are not insured or guaranteed by, the Holders of the Preference Shares, the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, any paying agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, JPMorgan, the Insurer (other than in respect of the Insured Notes), any Hedge Counterparty or any of their respective Affiliates.

**Application will be made to list the Securities (other than the Preference Shares) on the Irish Stock Exchange. However, there can be no assurance that the Irish Stock Exchange will in fact accept the listing of the such Securities.**

Except as otherwise specified herein or as the context may otherwise require or dictate or unless the Composite Securities are explicitly addressed in the same context, (A) all references in this Offering Circular to the "Preference Shares" include the "Preference Share Component" of the Class 1 Composite Securities and (B) all references in this Offering Circular to the rights of the Holders of the Preference Shares (including with respect to any payments, distributions, redemptions, votes or consents to be given by such Holders) include the rights of the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities to the extent of the Preference Share Component of the Class 1 Composite Securities.

It is a condition of the issuance of the Securities that (i) the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes and the Class A-2 Notes be rated at least "Aaa" by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("**Moody's**") and at least "AAA" by Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. ("**S&P**" and, together with Moody's, the "**Rating Agencies**"), (ii) the Class A-1g Notes be rated (after giving effect to the Policy) at least "Aaa" by Moody's and at least "AAA" by S&P, (iii) the Class A-3

Notes be rated at least "Aa2" by Moody's and at least "AA" by S&P, (iv) the Class B Notes be rated at least "A2" by Moody's and at least "A" by S&P, (v) the Class C Notes be rated at least "Baa2" by Moody's and at least "BBB" by S&P and (vi) the Class 1 Composite Securities be rated at least "Aaa" by Moody's. The Class 1 Composite Securities are rated only as to the ultimate payment of their Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance. Each of the above ratings assume that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date. A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning Rating Agency. The Preference Shares will not be rated by any credit rating agency.

No person has been authorized to make or provide any representation or information regarding the Co-Issuers or the Securities other than as contained in this Offering Circular. Any such representation or information should not be relied upon as having been authorized by the Co-Issuers or JPMorgan. The delivery of this Offering Circular at any time does not imply that the information contained in it is correct as of any time subsequent to the date of this Offering Circular. Unless otherwise indicated, all information in this Offering Circular is given as of the date of this Offering Circular.

This Offering Circular has been prepared by the Co-Issuers solely for use in connection with the listing of the Securities (other than the Preference Shares) and the offering of the Securities. Unless as otherwise provided herein, the Co-Issuers have taken reasonable care to ensure that facts stated in this Offering Circular are true and accurate in all material respects and that there have not been omitted material facts the omission of which would make misleading in any material respect any statements of fact or opinion herein. The Co-Issuers accept responsibility accordingly.

The information appearing in the section entitled "The Portfolio Manager" has been prepared by the Portfolio Manager and has not been independently verified by JPMorgan or the Co-Issuers. JPMorgan and the Co-Issuers do not assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness, or applicability of such information, except that the Co-Issuers assume responsibility for accurately reproducing such information in this Offering Circular.

The information appearing in the section entitled "The Insurer and the Policy—The Insurer" (including all information incorporated by reference therein) and in Exhibit A to this Offering Circular has been prepared by the Insurer and has not been independently verified by JPMorgan or the Co-Issuers. JPMorgan and the Co-Issuers do not assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness, or applicability of such information, except that the Co-Issuers assume responsibility for accurately reproducing such information in this Offering Circular.

None of JPMorgan, (except with respect to the section entitled "The Portfolio Manager") the Portfolio Manager, or (except with respect to the section entitled "The Insurer and the Policy—The Insurer" and Exhibit A to this Offering Circular) the Insurer, makes any representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the accuracy or completeness of the information in this Offering Circular. Each person receiving this Offering Circular acknowledges that such person has not relied on JPMorgan, (except with respect to the section entitled "The Portfolio Manager") the Portfolio Manager or (except with respect to the section entitled "The Insurer and the Policy—The Insurer" and Exhibit A to this Offering Circular) the Insurer or any person affiliated therewith, in connection with its investigation of the accuracy of such information or its investment decision. Each person contemplating making an investment in the Securities must make its own investigation and analysis of the creditworthiness of the Co-Issuers and its own determination of the suitability of any such investment, with particular reference to its own investment objectives and experience, and any other factors that may be relevant to it in connection with such investment.

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION OR OTHER REGULATORY AUTHORITY, AND NONE OF THE FOREGOING AUTHORITIES HAS CONFIRMED THE ACCURACY OR DETERMINED THE ADEQUACY OF THIS OFFERING CIRCULAR. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

This Offering Circular contains summaries of certain documents. The summaries do not purport to be complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to such documents. Each person receiving this Offering Circular acknowledges that such person has been afforded an opportunity to request from the Issuer and to review, and has received, all additional information considered by such person to be necessary to verify the accuracy and completeness of the information herein. Requests and inquiries regarding this Offering Circular or such documents should be directed to the Issuer, in care of J.P. Morgan Securities Inc., 270 Park Avenue, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York, 10017, Attention: Structured Credit Products. Such requests may also be made to the Listing Agent at the address set forth on the final page of this Offering Circular.

The Securities are a new issue of securities. There can be no assurance that a secondary market for any of the Securities will develop, or if a secondary market does develop, that it will provide the holders of such Securities with liquidity of investment or that it will continue. Accordingly, investors should be prepared to bear the risks of holding the Securities until final payment is made thereon.

THE CONTENTS OF THIS OFFERING CIRCULAR ARE NOT TO BE CONSTRUED AS LEGAL, BUSINESS OR TAX ADVICE. EACH PROSPECTIVE INVESTOR SHOULD CONSULT ITS OWN ATTORNEY, BUSINESS ADVISOR AND TAX ADVISOR AS TO LEGAL, BUSINESS AND TAX ADVICE.

This Offering Circular does not constitute an offer of, or an invitation by or on behalf of, the Co-Issuers (in respect of the Notes) or the Issuer (in respect of the Composite Securities and the Preference Shares) or JPMorgan to subscribe to or purchase any of the Securities in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful to make such an offer or invitation. The distribution of this Offering Circular and the offering of the Securities in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law. Persons into whose possession this Offering Circular comes are required by the Co-Issuers and JPMorgan to inform themselves about and to observe any such restrictions. For a description of certain further restrictions on offers and sales of Securities and distribution of this Offering Circular, see "Description of the Securities," "Plan of Distribution" and "Transfer Restrictions."

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has been registered under the Investment Company Act. Each purchaser of Notes represented by an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will be deemed to represent and agree that the purchaser is acquiring such Notes in a principal amount of not less than U.S.\$250,000, and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof for such purchaser and each account for which such purchaser is purchasing such Notes and that the purchaser and each such account is a Qualified Purchaser. Each purchaser of Preference Shares or Composite Securities that is a U.S. Person will be required to represent and agree that (i) the purchaser is (a) acquiring such Preference Shares in a number of not less than 100 Preference Shares and in integral multiples of one Preference Share in excess thereof for such purchaser or (b) acquiring such Composite Securities in a principal amount of not less than U.S.\$100,000, and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof for such purchaser and (ii) each account for which such purchaser is purchasing such Preference Shares or Composite Securities and that the purchaser and each such account is (a) a Qualified Purchaser, (b) solely in the case of the Preference Shares, a Knowledgeable Employee or (c) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or, solely in the case of the Preference Shares, Knowledgeable Employees. See "Transfer Restrictions."

No invitation to subscribe for the Securities may be made to the public in the Cayman Islands.

Prospective purchasers are hereby notified that a seller of the Securities may be relying on an exemption from the registration requirements of Section 5 of the Securities Act provided by Section 4(2) of, or Rule 144A under, the Securities Act.

In this Offering Circular references to "Dollars," "\$" and "U.S.\$" are dollars or other equivalent units in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for all debts, public and private.



**NO ACTION WAS TAKEN OR IS BEING CONTEMPLATED BY THE CO-ISSUERS THAT WOULD PERMIT A PUBLIC OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES OR POSSESSION OR DISTRIBUTION OF THIS OFFERING CIRCULAR OR ANY AMENDMENT THEREOF, OR SUPPLEMENT THERETO OR ANY OTHER OFFERING MATERIAL RELATING TO THE SECURITIES IN ANY JURISDICTION (OTHER THAN IRELAND) WHERE, OR IN ANY OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH, ACTION FOR THOSE PURPOSES IS REQUIRED. NOTHING CONTAINED HEREIN SHALL CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO SELL OR A SOLICITATION OF AN OFFER TO PURCHASE ANY SECURITIES IN ANY JURISDICTION WHERE IT IS UNLAWFUL TO DO SO ABSENT THE TAKING OF SUCH ACTION OR THE AVAILABILITY OF AN EXEMPTION THEREFROM.**

**NOTICE TO NEW HAMPSHIRE RESIDENTS**

NEITHER THE FACT THAT A REGISTRATION STATEMENT OR AN APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE HAS BEEN FILED UNDER CHAPTER 421-B OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE REVISED STATUTES WITH THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE NOR THE FACT THAT A SECURITY IS EFFECTIVELY REGISTERED OR A PERSON IS LICENSED IN THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CONSTITUTES A FINDING BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE THAT ANY DOCUMENT FILED UNDER RSA 421-B IS TRUE, COMPLETE AND NOT MISLEADING. NEITHER ANY SUCH FACT NOR THE FACT THAT AN EXEMPTION OR EXCEPTION IS AVAILABLE FOR A SECURITY OR A TRANSACTION MEANS THAT THE SECRETARY OF STATE HAS PASSED IN ANY WAY UPON THE MERITS OR QUALIFICATIONS OF, OR RECOMMENDED OR GIVEN APPROVAL TO, ANY PERSON, SECURITY, OR TRANSACTION. IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE, OR CAUSE TO BE MADE, TO ANY PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER, CUSTOMER, OR CLIENT ANY REPRESENTATION INCONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PARAGRAPH.

**NOTICE TO FLORIDA RESIDENTS**

THE SECURITIES ARE OFFERED PURSUANT TO A CLAIM OF EXEMPTION UNDER SECTION 517.061 OF THE FLORIDA SECURITIES ACT AND HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER SAID ACT IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA. ALL FLORIDA RESIDENTS WHO ARE NOT INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 517.061(7) OF THE FLORIDA SECURITIES ACT HAVE THE RIGHT TO VOID THEIR PURCHASE OF THE SECURITIES, WITHOUT PENALTY, WITHIN THREE (3) DAYS AFTER THE FIRST TENDER OF CONSIDERATION.

**NOTICE TO GEORGIA RESIDENTS**

THE SECURITIES WILL BE ISSUED OR SOLD IN RELIANCE ON PARAGRAPH (13) OF CODE SECTION 10-5-9 OF THE GEORGIA SECURITIES ACT OF 1973, AND MAY NOT BE SOLD OR TRANSFERRED EXCEPT IN A TRANSACTION WHICH IS EXEMPT UNDER SUCH ACT OR PURSUANT TO AN EFFECTIVE REGISTRATION UNDER SUCH ACT.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF AUSTRALIA**

NO PROSPECTUS OR OTHER DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT IN RELATION TO THE SECURITIES HAS BEEN LODGED WITH THE AUSTRALIAN SECURITIES AND INVESTMENTS COMMISSION OR THE AUSTRALIAN STOCK EXCHANGE LIMITED. THE INITIAL PURCHASER WILL REPRESENT AND AGREE THAT IT:

- (A) HAS NOT OFFERED OR INVITED APPLICATIONS, AND WILL NOT OFFER OR INVITE APPLICATIONS, FOR THE ISSUE, SALE OR PURCHASE OF THE

SECURITIES IN AUSTRALIA (INCLUDING AN OFFER OR INVITATION WHICH IS RECEIVED BY A PERSON IN AUSTRALIA); AND

(B) HAS NOT DISTRIBUTED OR PUBLISHED, AND WILL NOT DISTRIBUTE OR PUBLISH, THIS OFFERING CIRCULAR OR ANY OTHER OFFERING MATERIAL OR ADVERTISEMENT RELATING TO THE SECURITIES IN AUSTRALIA,

UNLESS (I) THE MINIMUM AGGREGATE CONSIDERATION PAYABLE BY EACH OFFEREE IS AT LEAST AU\$500,000 (DISREGARDING MONEYS LENT BY THE OFFEROR OR ITS ASSOCIATES) OR THE OFFER OR INVITATION OTHERWISE DOES NOT REQUIRE DISCLOSURE TO INVESTORS IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 6D.2 OF THE CORPORATIONS LAW, AND (II) SUCH ACTION COMPLIES WITH ALL APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF AUSTRIA**

THE SECURITIES MAY ONLY BE OFFERED IN THE REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE AUSTRIAN CAPITAL MARKET ACT AND OTHER LAWS APPLICABLE IN THE REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA GOVERNING THE OFFER AND SALE OF THE NOTES IN THE REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA. THE SECURITIES ARE NOT REGISTERED OR OTHERWISE AUTHORISED FOR PUBLIC OFFER EITHER UNDER THE CAPITAL MARKET ACT OR THE INVESTMENT FUND ACT. THE RECIPIENTS OF THIS OFFERING CIRCULAR AND OTHER SELLING MATERIAL IN RESPECT TO THE SECURITIES HAVE BEEN INDIVIDUALLY SELECTED AND ARE TARGETED EXCLUSIVELY ON THE BASIS OF A PRIVATE PLACEMENT. ACCORDINGLY, THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE, AND ARE NOT BEING, OFFERED OR ADVERTISED PUBLICLY OR OFFERED SIMILARLY UNDER EITHER THE CAPITAL MARKET ACT OR THE INVESTMENT FUND ACT. THIS OFFER MAY NOT BE MADE TO ANY OTHER PERSONS THAN THE RECIPIENTS TO WHOM THIS DOCUMENT IS PERSONALLY ADDRESSED.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF BAHRAIN**

PURCHASE OF THE SECURITIES IS BY INVITATION ONLY AND NO OFFER WILL BE MADE IN BAHRAIN TO THE PUBLIC TO PURCHASE THE SAME. THIS OFFERING CIRCULAR IS INTENDED TO BE READ ONLY BY THE ADDRESSEE.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF BELGIUM**

THE ISSUER REPRESENTS AND AGREES THAT IT HAS NOT OFFERED OR SOLD AND WILL NOT OFFER OR SELL, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, AT THE TIME OF THE PLACING, ANY OF THE SECURITIES BY WAY OF A PUBLIC OFFERING IN BELGIUM AND/OR THAT THE SECURITIES WILL BE OFFERED ONLY TO PERSONS FALLING UNDER THE DEFINITION OF A PROFESSIONAL INVESTOR IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ROYAL DECREE OF 7 JULY 1999.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS IN THE PROVINCES OF QUEBEC, ONTARIO AND BRITISH COLUMBIA IN CANADA**

THIS OFFERING CIRCULAR IS NOT, AND UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES IS TO BE CONSTRUED AS, AN ADVERTISEMENT OR PUBLIC OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES DESCRIBED HEREIN. NO SECURITIES COMMISSION OR SIMILAR AUTHORITY IN CANADA HAS IN ANY WAY PASSED JUDGEMENT ON THE MERITS OF THE SECURITIES DESCRIBED HEREIN AND ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS AN OFFENCE. NO INVITATION MAY BE MADE TO THE PUBLIC IN THE PROVINCES OF QUEBEC, ONTARIO AND BRITISH COLUMBIA IN CANADA TO SUBSCRIBE FOR THE SECURITIES. NO

PRELIMINARY OR FINAL OFFERING CIRCULAR IS BEING FILED WITH THE SECURITIES COMMISSIONS OF THE SAID PROVINCES IN CANADA WITH RESPECT TO THE OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES, WHICH IS BEING MADE SOLELY PURSUANT TO EXEMPTIONS FROM PROSPECTUS REQUIREMENTS UNDER SECURITIES LEGISLATION OF SAID PROVINCES IN CANADA. THE ISSUER DOES NOT INTEND TO FILE A PROSPECTUS OR OTHERWISE BECOME A 'REPORTING ISSUER' PURSUANT TO APPLICABLE CANADIAN SECURITIES LEGISLATION AND ACCORDINGLY IT IS NOT INTENDED THAT THE SECURITIES WILL EVER BECOME FREELY TRADABLE IN THE PROVINCES OF QUEBEC, ONTARIO AND BRITISH COLUMBIA. PURCHASERS OF SECURITIES WILL BE PERMITTED TO RESELL SUCH SECURITIES ONLY PURSUANT TO AVAILABLE EXEMPTIONS FROM THE PROSPECTUS REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES LAW OF THE SAID PROVINCES IN CANADA.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS IN THE PROVINCE OF QUEBEC IN CANADA**

THE OFFERING AND SALE OF THE SECURITIES MUST BE TO EITHER "SOPHISTICATED PURCHASERS" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTIONS 43, 44 AND 45 OF THE SECURITIES ACT (QUEBEC) OR PURCHASERS PURCHASING AS PRINCIPAL FOR THEIR OWN ACCOUNT THE SECURITIES OF THE ISSUER HAVING A TOTAL COST OF SUBSCRIPTION OR PURCHASE IN EACH CASE OF AT LEAST CAD 150,000.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO, CANADA**

THIS OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES IS BEING MADE PURSUANT TO EXEMPTIONS FROM THE PROSPECTUS REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO. PURCHASERS RESIDENT IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO MUST BE PERSONS WHO ARE EXEMPT PURCHASERS UNDER SECTION 72(1) OF THE SECURITIES ACT (ONTARIO) OR WHO ACQUIRE THE SECURITIES OFFERED HEREBY AS PRINCIPAL AT AN AGGREGATE ACQUISITION COST TO THE PURCHASER OF NOT LESS THAN CAD 150,000. IF THIS OFFERING CIRCULAR, TOGETHER WITH ANY AMENDMENT THERETO, CONTAINS AN UNTRUE STATEMENT OF A MATERIAL FACT OR OMITS TO STATE A MATERIAL FACT THAT IS REQUIRED TO BE STATED OR IS NECESSARY IN ORDER TO MAKE ANY STATEMENT HEREIN NOT FALSE OR MISLEADING IN THE LIGHT OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH IT WAS MADE (A "MISREPRESENTATION") AND IT WAS A MISREPRESENTATION, ON THE DATE OF INVESTMENT, AN INVESTOR TO WHOM THIS OFFERING CIRCULAR WAS DELIVERED AND WHO PURCHASES THE SECURITIES OFFERED HEREUNDER SHALL HAVE, SUBJECT AS HEREINAFTER IN THIS PARAGRAPH PROVIDED, WHILE STILL THE OWNER OF ANY OF THE SECURITIES OFFERED HEREUNDER, A RIGHT OF ACTION, EXERCISABLE ON WRITTEN NOTICE GIVEN NOT MORE THAN 180 DAYS SUBSEQUENT TO THE DATE OF INITIAL INVESTMENT, EITHER FOR DAMAGES OR ALTERNATIVELY FOR RESCISSION AGAINST THE ISSUER PROVIDED THAT:

(A) THE ISSUER WILL NOT BE HELD LIABLE UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH IF THE INVESTOR PURCHASED THE SECURITIES WITH KNOWLEDGE OF THE MISREPRESENTATION;

(B) IN AN ACTION FOR DAMAGES, THE ISSUER WILL NOT BE LIABLE FOR ALL OR ANY PORTION OF SUCH DAMAGES THAT IT PROVES DO NOT REPRESENT THE DEPRECIATION IN VALUE OF THE SECURITIES OFFERED HEREBY AS A RESULT OF THE MISREPRESENTATION RELIED UPON;

(C) IN NO CASE WILL THE AMOUNT RECOVERABLE UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH EXCEED THE PRICE AT WHICH THE SECURITIES WERE SOLD TO AN INVESTOR; AND

(D) THE RIGHTS DESCRIBED ABOVE ARE IN ADDITION TO AND WITHOUT DEROGATION FROM ANY OTHER RIGHT OR REMEDY AVAILABLE AT LAW TO THE INVESTOR.

THE FOREGOING SUMMARY IS SUBJECT TO THE EXPRESS PROVISIONS OF THE SECURITIES ACT (ONTARIO) AND THE REGULATIONS THEREUNDER AND REFERENCE IS MADE THERETO FOR THE COMPLETE TEXT OF SUCH PROVISIONS. THE ISSUER IS LOCATED OUTSIDE CANADA AND, ACCORDINGLY, IT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE FOR PURCHASERS TO EFFECT SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN CANADA UPON THE ISSUER. IN ADDITION, ALL OR SUBSTANTIALLY ALL OF THE ASSETS OF THE ISSUER WILL BE LOCATED OUTSIDE CANADA AND, AS A RESULT, IT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE TO SATISFY A JUDGEMENT OBTAINED AGAINST THE ISSUER IN ONTARIO. MOREOVER, IT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE FOR PURCHASERS TO ENFORCE A JUDGEMENT OBTAINED IN CANADIAN COURTS AGAINST THE ISSUER IN THE JURISDICTION OF THE ISSUER.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF CAYMAN ISLANDS**

NO INVITATION MAY BE MADE TO THE PUBLIC IN THE CAYMAN ISLANDS TO SUBSCRIBE FOR THE SECURITIES UNLESS AT THE TIME OF INVITATION THE CO-ISSUERS ARE LISTED ON THE CAYMAN ISLANDS STOCK EXCHANGE. THE CO-ISSUERS ARE NOT OBLIGATED AND DO NOT INTEND TO BE LISTED.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF CZECH REPUBLIC**

NO PERMIT FOR THE ISSUE OF THE SECURITIES HAS BEEN OBTAINED FROM THE SECURITIES COMMISSION OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC (THE "**SECURITIES COMMISSION**") UNDER THE BONDS ACT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC (NO. 530/1990 COLL., AS AMENDED). NO ACTION HAS BEEN TAKEN (INCLUDING THE OBTAINING OF THE PROSPECTUS APPROVAL FROM THE SECURITIES COMMISSION AND THE ADMISSION TO TRADING ON A PUBLIC MARKET LICENSED BY THE SECURITIES COMMISSION) FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE SECURITIES TO QUALIFY AS LISTED SECURITIES WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 71 ET SEQ. OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC (NO. 591/1992 COLL., AS AMENDED).

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC THROUGH A PUBLIC OFFERING. THE TERM "**PUBLIC OFFERING**" IS DEFINED IN SECTION 78C(2) OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC AS ANY CONDUCT BY WHICH AN OFFEROR COMMUNICATES TO A CONSIDERABLE GROUP OF PERSONS THE TERMS UNDER WHICH THEY MAY ACQUIRE SECURITIES AND (I) IF A CONTRACT LEADING TO THE ACQUISITION OF SUCH SECURITIES IS CONCLUDED BY SUCH PERSONS BY THE ACCEPTANCE OF SUCH TERMS, OR (II) IF ON THE BASIS OF SUCH TERMS, THE OFFEROR INVITES SUBMISSIONS OF OFFERS TO CONCLUDE A CONTRACT LEADING TO THE ACQUISITION OF SUCH SECURITIES.

ALL THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC AND THE BONDS ACT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC HAVE BEEN COMPLIED WITH AND WILL BE COMPLIED WITH AND NO ACTION HAS BEEN TAKEN OR WILL BE TAKEN WHICH WOULD RESULT IN THE NOTES BEING DEEMED TO BE ISSUED IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC OR A PERMIT, REGISTRATION, FILING OR NOTIFICATION OF THE SECURITIES COMMISSION OR OTHER AUTHORITIES IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC BEING REQUIRED IN RESPECT OF THE NOTES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC, THE BONDS ACT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC OR THE PRACTICE OF THE SECURITIES COMMISSION. NO INVESTMENT SERVICES ARE OR WILL BE PROVIDED IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC (WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC)

AND NO OTHER SIMILAR BUSINESS IS OR WILL BE CONDUCTED IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC IN RESPECT OF THE SECURITIES. ALL THE LAWS OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC APPLICABLE TO THE CONDUCT OF BUSINESS IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC IN RESPECT OF THE NOTES HAVE BEEN, AND WILL BE, COMPLIED WITH.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF DENMARK**

THIS OFFERING CIRCULAR HAS NOT BEEN FILED WITH OR APPROVED BY THE DANISH SECURITIES COUNCIL OR ANY OTHER REGULATORY AUTHORITY IN THE KINGDOM OF DENMARK.

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED OR SOLD AND MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD OR DELIVERED DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY IN DENMARK, UNLESS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE DANISH EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 229 OF 20 APRIL 1998 ON THE FIRST PUBLIC OFFER OF CERTAIN SECURITIES ISSUED PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 12 OF THE DANISH ACT ON TRADING IN SECURITIES.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF FRANCE**

THE SECURITIES ARE ISSUED BY A RESIDENT OF A NON-OECD STATE. ACCORDINGLY, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF DECREE NO. 89-938 OF 29 DECEMBER 1989, THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED, INTRODUCED OR SOLD, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN FRANCE, WITHOUT THE PRIOR APPROVAL OF THE FRENCH MINISTRY OF FINANCE.

EACH OF THE ISSUER AND JPMORGAN REPRESENTS AND AGREES THAT IT HAS NOT OFFERED, INTRODUCED OR SOLD AND WILL NOT OFFER, INTRODUCE OR SELL, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, ANY OF THE SECURITIES IN FRANCE.

THIS OFFERING CIRCULAR IS FURNISHED TO YOU SOLELY FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND MAY NOT BE REPRODUCED OR REDISTRIBUTED TO ANY OTHER PERSON. IT IS STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL AND IS SOLELY DESTINED FOR PERSONS OR INSTITUTIONS TO WHICH IT WAS INITIALLY SUPPLIED. THIS OFFERING CIRCULAR DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER OR AN INVITATION TO SUBSCRIBE FOR OR TO PURCHASE ANY SECURITIES AND NEITHER THIS DOCUMENT NOR ANYTHING CONTAINED HEREIN SHALL FORM THE BASIS OF ANY CONTRACT OR COMMITMENT WHATSOEVER.

THIS OFFERING CIRCULAR MAY NOT BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE PUBLIC IN FRANCE OR USED IN CONNECTION WITH ANY OFFER FOR SUBSCRIPTION OR SALE OF SECURITIES IN FRANCE OTHER THAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE L-411-2 OF THE CODE MONÉTAIRE ET FINANCIER ET DÉCRET NO. 98-880 DATED 1ST OCTOBER 1998. THIS DOCUMENT HAS NOT BEEN SUBMITTED TO THE "COMMISSION DES OPÉRATIONS DE BOURSE" FOR APPROVAL AND DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER FOR SALE OR SUBSCRIPTION OF SECURITIES.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF GERMANY**

THE SECURITIES DESCRIBED IN THIS DOCUMENT MAY ONLY BE ACQUIRED IN GERMANY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GERMAN WERTPAPIERVERKAUF-SPROSPEKTGESETZ (SECURITIES SALES PROSPECTUS ACT). NO PROSPECTUS HAS BEEN FILED WITH THE GERMAN FEDERAL SECURITIES TRADING SUPERVISORY AUTHORITY OR PUBLISHED IN GERMANY. CONSEQUENTLY, THE SECURITIES ARE ONLY OFFERED ON A PRIVATE PLACEMENT BASIS TO INVESTORS WHO BUY AND SELL SECURITIES AS THEIR PROFESSION OR COMMERCE FOR THEIR OWN ACCOUNT.

### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF GREECE**

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### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF ITALY**

THE OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED WITH THE COMMISSIONE NAZIONALE PER LA SOCIETÀ E LA BORSA ("**CONSOB**") PURSUANT TO ITALIAN SECURITIES LEGISLATION AND JPMORGAN HAS REPRESENTED AND AGREED THAT SALES OF THE SECURITIES IN THE REPUBLIC OF ITALY SHALL BE EFFECTED IN

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(A) MADE BY THE INVESTMENT FIRMS, BANK OR FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARY PERMITTED TO CONDUCT SUCH ACTIVITIES IN THE REPUBLIC OF ITALY IN ACCORDANCE WITH LEGISLATIVE DECREE NO. 385 OF 1 SEPTEMBER 1993 ("**DECREE NO. 385**"), LEGISLATIVE DECREE NO. 58 OF 24 FEBRUARY 1998, CONSOB REGULATION NO. 11971 OF 14 MAY 1999 AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATION;

(B) IN COMPLIANCE WITH ARTICLE 129 OF DECREE NO. 385 AND THE IMPLEMENTING INSTRUCTIONS OF THE BANK OF ITALY, PURSUANT TO WHICH THE ISSUE, TRADING OR PLACEMENT OF SECURITIES IN ITALY IS SUBJECT TO PRIOR NOTIFICATION TO THE BANK OF ITALY, UNLESS AN EXEMPTION APPLIES; AND

(C) IN COMPLIANCE WITH ANY OTHER APPLICABLE NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT OR LIMITATION WHICH MAY BE IMPOSED BY CONSOB OR THE BANK OF ITALY OR ANY OTHER ITALIAN REGULATORY AUTHORITY.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF JAPAN**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE LAW OF JAPAN (THE "**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE LAW**"). ANY PERSON RESIDENT IN JAPAN, INCLUDING ANY CORPORATION OR OTHER ENTITY ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF JAPAN, AND, WITH RESPECT TO ANY ENTITY ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF A JURISDICTION OTHER THAN JAPAN, ITS BRANCHES OR OFFICES LOCATED IN JAPAN, MAY ONLY PURCHASE SECURITIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION PROVISIONS OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE LAW AVAILABLE THEREUNDER AND IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE OTHER RELEVANT LAWS AND REGULATIONS OF JAPAN.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF JERSEY**

NO PERSON MAY CIRCULATE IN THE ISLAND OF JERSEY THIS OFFERING CIRCULAR OR ANY OTHER OFFER FOR SALE OF ANY OF THE SECURITIES UNLESS SUCH OFFER DOES NOT, FOR THE PURPOSES OF ARTICLE 6 OF THE CONTROL OF BORROWING (JERSEY) ORDER 1958, AS AMENDED, CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO THE PUBLIC.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF LATVIA**

THE SECURITIES MAY BE OFFERED AND SOLD IN LATVIA IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW ON SECURITIES OF 23 AUGUST 1995, PROVIDED THAT THE OFFER OR SALE OF THE SECURITIES CANNOT BE CONSTRUED AS CONDUCTING INTERMEDIARY ACTIVITIES IN LATVIA, AND PROVIDED THAT THE SECURITIES ARE NOT PUT IN PUBLIC CIRCULATION.

### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF LUXEMBOURG**

THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED TO THE PUBLIC IN LUXEMBOURG, UNLESS THE APPLICABLE LEGAL AND REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS, IN PARTICULAR THE RULES SET FORTH IN THE DECEMBER 28, 1990 GRAND DUCAL REGULATION (ON THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE DRAWING-UP, SCRUTINY AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE PROSPECTUS TO BE PUBLISHED WHERE TRANSFERABLE SECURITIES ARE OFFERED TO THE PUBLIC OR OF LISTING PARTICULARS TO BE PUBLISHED FOR THE ADMISSION OF TRANSFERABLE SECURITIES TO OFFICIAL STOCK EXCHANGE LISTING), AS AMENDED, HAVE BEEN COMPLIED WITH.

### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE NETHERLANDS**

THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED, AS PART OF THEIR INITIAL DISTRIBUTION OR AS PART OF ANY RE-OFFERING, IN THE NETHERLANDS, EXCEPT FOR NOTES HAVING A DENOMINATION OF AT LEAST EURO 45,379 (OR ITS EQUIVALENT), PROVIDED THAT IF ANY SUCH NOTES ARE ISSUED:

(A) AT A DISCOUNT, THEY MAY ONLY BE OFFERED IN THE NETHERLANDS IF THEIR ISSUE PRICE IS NO LESS THAN EURO 45,379 (OR ITS EQUIVALENT);

(B) ON A PARTLY-PAID BASIS, THEY MAY ONLY BE OFFERED IN THE NETHERLANDS IF PAID-UP AT LEAST TO AN AMOUNT OF EURO 45,379 (OR ITS EQUIVALENT);

(C) WITH A DENOMINATION OF PRECISELY EURO 45,379 (OR EQUIVALENT); THEY MAY ONLY BE OFFERED IN THE NETHERLANDS ON A FULLY-PAID BASIS AND AT PAR OR AT A PREMIUM.

### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF NORWAY**

THE OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES WILL NOT BE A PUBLIC OFFER IN NORWAY AND THIS OFFERING CIRCULAR IS INTENDED TO BE READ BY THE ADDRESSEE ONLY.

### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF PANAMA**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED WITH THE NATIONAL SECURITIES COMMISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF PANAMA UNDER DECREE LAW N°1 OF JULY 8, 1999 (THE "PANAMANIAN SECURITIES ACT") AND MAY NOT BE PUBLICLY OFFERED OR SOLD WITHIN PANAMA, EXCEPT IN CERTAIN LIMITED TRANSACTIONS EXEMPT FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE PANAMANIAN SECURITIES ACT. THESE SECURITIES DO NOT BENEFIT FROM THE TAX INCENTIVES PROVIDED BY THE PANAMANIAN SECURITIES ACT AND ARE NOT SUBJECT TO REGULATION OR SUPERVISION BY THE NATIONAL SECURITIES COMMISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF PANAMA.

### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF POLAND**

NO PERMIT HAS BEEN OBTAINED FROM THE POLISH SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION IN RELATION TO THE ISSUE OF THE SECURITIES. ACCORDINGLY, THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED IN THE REPUBLIC OF POLAND ("**POLAND**") IN THE COURSE OF PUBLIC TRADING, DEFINED IN THE POLISH ACT ON PUBLIC TRADING IN SECURITIES DATED 21ST AUGUST 1997 AS OFFERING TO SELL OR PURCHASE OR SALES



AND PURCHASES OF SECURITIES ISSUED IN A SERIES THROUGH USE OF MASS MEDIA OR OTHER MEANS IF THE OFFER IS DIRECTED AT MORE THAN 300 PEOPLE OR TO AN UNNAMED ADDRESSEE ("**PUBLIC TRADING**"). NO SUCH PERMIT HAS BEEN OBTAINED AND SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD OR DELIVERED AND WILL NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD OR DELIVERED IN POLAND IN THE COURSE OF PUBLIC TRADING AS PART OF THEIR INITIAL DISTRIBUTION OR OTHERWISE TO RESIDENTS OF POLAND. THE ACQUISITION AND HOLDING OF THE SECURITIES BY RESIDENTS OF POLAND MAY BE SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS IMPOSED BY POLISH LAW (INCLUDING FOREIGN EXCHANGE REGULATIONS) AND THAT THE OFFER AND SALE OF THE SECURITIES TO POLISH RESIDENTS OR WITHIN POLAND IN SECONDARY TRADING MAY ALSO BE SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF PORTUGAL**

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#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF SINGAPORE**

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#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF SLOVENIA**

THIS OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED WITH OR NOTIFIED TO THE SECURITIES MARKET AGENCY OF THE REPUBLIC OF SLOVENIA AND NO APPROVAL BY THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE OF THE REPUBLIC OF SLOVENIA HAS BEEN SOUGHT OR WILL BE SOUGHT FOR THIS OFFERING. THE SECURITIES WILL NOT AND MAY NOT BE ISSUED, OFFERED OR SOLD IN THE REPUBLIC OF SLOVENIA EXCEPT IN A MANNER CONSISTENT WITH ANY REGISTRATION, NOTIFICATION OR APPROVAL UNDER THE LAW ON SECURITIES MARKET (OFF. JOURNAL OF THE RS, NO. 56/1999) AND THE LAW ON FOREIGN EXCHANGE TRANSACTIONS (OFF. JOURNAL OF THE RS, NO. 23/1999). ACCORDINGLY, THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE ISSUED, OFFERED, SOLD, TRANSFERRED

OR DELIVERED TO THE PUBLIC NOR OFFERED NON-PUBLICLY WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE ARTICLE 50 OF THE LAW ON SECURITIES MARKET IN THE REPUBLIC OF SLOVENIA. SLOVENE RESIDENTS MAY ACQUIRE THE SECURITIES ABROAD ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE LAW ON FOREIGN EXCHANGE TRANSACTIONS.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF SOUTH AFRICA**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT AND WILL NOT BE OFFERED FOR SALE OR SUBSCRIPTION, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, WITHIN THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA OR TO ANY PERSON OR CORPORATE OR OTHER ENTITY RESIDENT IN THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA EXCEPT (I) IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE EXCHANGE CONTROL REGULATIONS OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA AND (II) TO ANY ENTITY RESIDENT OR WITHIN THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE COMPANIES ACT, 1973 AND THE REGULATIONS TO THE BANKS ACT, 1990.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF SPAIN**

THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD IN SPAIN EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE SPANISH SECURITIES MARKET LAW (LEY 24/1988, DE 28 DE JULIO, DEL MERCADO DE VALORES), AS AMENDED AND RESTATED, AND ROYAL DECREE 291/1992, OF 27 MARCH, ON ISSUES AND PUBLIC OFFERINGS OF SECURITIES (REAL DECRETO 291/1992, DE 27 DE MARZO, SOBRE EMISIONES Y OFERTAS PÚBLICAS DE VENTA DE VALORES), AS AMENDED AND RESTATED, AND THE DECREES AND REGULATIONS MADE THEREUNDER. THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT AND WILL NOT BE SOLD, OFFERED OR DISTRIBUTED IN SPAIN EXCEPT IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH DO NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER OF SECURITIES IN SPAIN WITHIN THE MEANING OF SPANISH SECURITIES LAWS AND REGULATIONS. THE OFFERING CIRCULAR HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED WITH THE SPANISH SECURITIES MARKET COMMISSION (COMISIÓN NACIONAL DEL MERCADO DE VALORES) AND THEREFORE IT IS NOT INTENDED FOR THE OFFERING OR SALE OF THE SECURITIES IN SPAIN.

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(II) IT HAS NOT OFFERED OR SOLD AND, PRIOR TO THE EXPIRY OF A PERIOD OF SIX MONTHS FROM THE ISSUE DATE OF THE SECURITIES, WILL NOT OFFER OR SELL ANY SECURITIES TO PERSONS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM EXCEPT

TO PERSONS WHOSE ORDINARY ACTIVITIES INVOLVE THEM IN ACQUIRING, HOLDING, MANAGING OR DISPOSING OF INVESTMENTS (AS PRINCIPAL OR AGENT) FOR THE PURPOSES OF THEIR BUSINESSES OR OTHERWISE IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH HAVE NOT RESULTED AND WILL NOT RESULT IN AN OFFER TO THE PUBLIC IN THE UNITED KINGDOM WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE PUBLIC OFFERS OF SECURITIES REGULATIONS 1995;

(III) IT HAS ONLY COMMUNICATED OR CAUSED TO BE COMMUNICATED AND WILL ONLY COMMUNICATE OR CAUSE TO BE COMMUNICATED ANY INVITATION OR INDUCEMENT TO ENGAGE IN INVESTMENT ACTIVITY (WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 21 OF THE FSMA) RECEIVED BY IT IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUE OR SALE OF ANY SECURITIES IN CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH SECTION 21(1) OF THE FSMA DOES NOT APPLY TO THE ISSUER; AND

(IV) IT HAS COMPLIED AND WILL COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE FSMA WITH RESPECT TO ANYTHING DONE BY IT IN RELATION TO THE SECURITIES IN, FROM OR OTHERWISE INVOLVING THE UNITED KINGDOM.

#### **AVAILABLE INFORMATION**

To permit compliance with Rule 144A in connection with the sale of the Securities, the Issuer (and, solely in the case of the Notes, the Co-Issuers) under the Indenture referred to under "Description of the Securities" and the Preference Share Documents will be required to furnish upon request of a holder of a Security to such holder and a prospective purchaser designated by such holder the information required to be delivered under Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act if at the time of the request the Co-Issuers are not reporting companies under Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "**Exchange Act**"), or exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act. Such information may be obtained directly from the Issuer or through the paying agent in Ireland at the address set forth on the final page of this Offering Circular.

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NOTWITHSTANDING THE CONFIDENTIAL NATURE OF THIS OFFERING CIRCULAR, EACH PROSPECTIVE INVESTOR (AND EACH EMPLOYEE, REPRESENTATIVE, OR OTHER AGENT OF SUCH PROSPECTIVE INVESTOR) MAY DISCLOSE TO ANY AND ALL PERSONS, WITHOUT LIMITATIONS OF ANY KIND, THE TAX TREATMENT AND TAX STRUCTURE OF THE TRANSACTION AND ALL MATERIALS OF ANY KIND (INCLUDING OPINIONS OR OTHER TAX ANALYSES) THAT ARE PROVIDED TO THE PROSPECTIVE INVESTOR RELATING TO SUCH TAX TREATMENT AND TAX STRUCTURE. ANY SUCH DISCLOSURE

OF THE TAX TREATMENT, TAX STRUCTURE AND OTHER TAX-RELATED MATERIALS SHALL NOT BE MADE FOR THE PURPOSE OF OFFERING TO SELL THE SECURITIES OFFERED HEREBY OR SOLICITING AN OFFER TO PURCHASE ANY SUCH SECURITIES. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE TERMS "TAX TREATMENT" AND "TAX STRUCTURE" HAVE THE MEANING GIVEN TO SUCH TERMS UNDER UNITED STATES TREASURY REGULATION SECTION 1.6011-4(C) AND ANY ANALOGOUS PROVISIONS UNDER UNITED STATES STATE AND LOCAL LAW. IN GENERAL, THE TAX TREATMENT OF A TRANSACTION IS THE PURPORTED OR CLAIMED U.S. TAX TREATMENT OF THE TRANSACTION, AND THE TAX STRUCTURE OF A TRANSACTION IS ANY FACT THAT MAY BE RELEVANT TO UNDERSTANDING THE PURPORTED OR CLAIMED U.S. TAX TREATMENT OF THE TRANSACTION.

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## SUMMARY OF TERMS

*The following summary of terms does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by, and should be read in conjunction with, the more detailed information appearing elsewhere in this Offering Circular and the documents referred to in this Offering Circular. A Glossary and an Index of Defined Terms appear at the back of this Offering Circular. Except as otherwise specified herein or as the context may otherwise require or dictate or unless the Composite Securities are explicitly addressed in the same context, (A) all references in this Offering Circular to the "Preference Shares" include the "Preference Share Component" of the Class 1 Composite Securities and (B) all references in this Offering Circular to the rights of the Holders of the Preference Shares (including with respect to any payments, distributions, redemptions, votes or consents to be given by such Holders) include the rights of the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities to the extent of the Preference Share Component of the Class 1 Composite Securities.*

## Principal Terms of the Securities

	Class A-1a Notes	Class A-1b Notes	Class A-1g Notes	Class A-2 Notes	Class A-3a Notes	Class A-3b Notes	Class B Notes	Class C Notes	Class 1 Composite Securities <sup>1</sup>	Preference Shares
Type	Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable	Fixed Rate Senior Secured Extendable	Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable	Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable	Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable	Fixed Rate Senior Secured Extendable	Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Extendable	Extendable
Issuer(s)	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Issuer	Issuer
Principal Amount / Face Amount (U.S.\$)	\$52,000,000	\$7,000,000	\$400,000,000	\$42,500,000	\$23,500,000	\$2,500,000	\$39,000,000	\$36,300,000	\$6,000,000 <sup>2</sup>	\$82,200,000 <sup>3</sup>
Expected Moody's Initial Rating <sup>3</sup>	"Aaa"	"Aaa"	"Aaa"	"Aaa"	"Aa2"	"Aa2"	"A2"	"Baa2"	"Aaa" <sup>5</sup>	N/A
Expected S&P Initial Rating <sup>4</sup>	"AAA"	"AAA"	"AAA"	"AAA"	"AA"	"AA"	"A"	"BBB"	N/A	N/A
Note Interest Rate	LIBOR + 0.31%	4.685%	LIBOR + 0.25% <sup>6</sup>	LIBOR + 0.50%	LIBOR + 0.60%	5.068%	LIBOR + 1.05%	LIBOR + 2.10%	N/A	N/A
Stated Maturity / Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date <sup>7</sup>	February, 2017 Payment Date	February, 2017 Payment Date	February, 2017 Payment Date	February, 2017 Payment Date	February, 2017 Payment Date	February, 2017 Payment Date	February, 2017 Payment Date	February, 2017 Payment Date	February, 2017 Payment Date	February, 2017 Payment Date
Minimum Denominations (U.S.\$) / Number (Integral Multiples)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$100,000 (\$1,000)	100 (1)
Ranking of the Securities:										
Priority Class	None	None	None	Senior Class A	Senior Class A, A-2	Senior Class A, A-2	Senior Class A, A-2, A-3	Senior Class A, A-2, A-3, B	N/A	Senior Class A, A-2, A-3, B, C
Junior Class	A-2, A-3, B, C, Preference Shares	A-2, A-3, B, C, Preference Shares	A-2, A-3, B, C, Preference Shares	A-3, B, C, Preference Shares	B, C, Preference Shares	B, C, Preference Shares	C, Preference Shares	Preference Shares	N/A	None
Deferred Interest Notes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A

<sup>1</sup> The Class 1 Composite Securities shall consist of the Preference Share Component and the Class 1 Component. The portions of the interest in the Treasury Strip and the Preference Shares that comprise the Class 1 Composite Securities are not separately transferable. On the Composite Security Payment Date, the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities will be entitled to receive the proceeds from the sale of the portion of the Treasury Strip with respect to such Composite Securities Payment Date and a *pro rata* share of the distribution on the Preference Shares on such date. No other payments will be made on the Class 1 Composite Securities.

<sup>2</sup> The amount of the Class 1 Composite Securities shown also includes the Preference Share Component comprised of 2,000 Preference Shares.

<sup>3</sup> The Preference Shares will be issued with a Face Amount of U.S.\$1,000 per share.

<sup>4</sup> The initial ratings assume no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date. The "Expected Moody's Initial Rating" and the "Expected S&P Initial Rating" assigned to the Class A-1g Notes give effect to the Policy.

<sup>5</sup> The Class 1 Composite Securities are rated only as to the ultimate payment of their Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance.

<sup>6</sup> Upon the termination of the Policy, the Note Interest Rate for the Class A-1g Notes shall be LIBOR + 0.25% + the Premium Rate (the "Step-Up Note Interest Rate"). See "Description of the Securities—Termination of the Policy."

<sup>7</sup> The Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Composite Securities and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares are subject to multiple extensions to the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (in the case of the Notes and the Composite Securities) and the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (in the case of the Preference Shares), if the Issuer provides timely notice and the Extension Conditions are satisfied. See "Risk Factors—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary," "A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected," "Maturity and Prepayment Considerations" and "Description of the Securities—Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date."

The Notes will be limited recourse obligations of the Co-Issuers and the Composite Securities will be limited recourse obligations of the Issuer. The Notes and the Composite Securities will be issued pursuant to the Indenture.

The Preference Shares will be part of the issued share capital of the Issuer and, accordingly, will not be secured obligations of the Issuer. JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association will act as the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the Preference Shares and will perform various administrative services pursuant to a Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date (the "**Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement**") by and between the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

Payments to each Holder of the Notes of each Class shall be made ratably among the Holders of the Notes of that Class in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes of such Class held by each Holder (treating the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-1g Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3a Notes and the Class A-3b Notes as separate Classes for this purpose). Payments to each Holder of the Preference Shares shall be made ratably among the Holders of the Preference Shares in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Preference Shares held by each Holder.

Except as provided under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments," the Senior Class A Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class A-2 Notes; the Class A-2 Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class A-3 Notes; the Class A-3 Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class B Notes; the Class B Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class C Notes; and the Class C Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Preference Shares.

The Class 1 Composite Securities consist of (i) a Preference Share Component entitling its holders to rights in respect of 2,000 Preference Shares and (ii) a Class 1 Component entitling its holders to rights to receive proceeds from a trust account initially holding a United States Treasury strip security maturing on November 15, 2016 with a principal amount at maturity of U.S.\$6,000,000.

The Securities and certain other obligations of the Co-Issuers will have the priorities of payment described under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments."



**Co-Issuers** ..... The Issuer has been incorporated and exists under the laws of the Cayman Islands. Pursuant to the Indenture, the Issuer's activities are limited to acquiring Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, entering into any Hedge Agreements, issuing the Securities and entering into certain related transactions.

The Co-Issuer is organized under the laws of the State of Delaware for the sole purpose of co-issuing the Notes.

The Issuer will not have any significant assets other than Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, any Hedge Agreement and certain other eligible assets. The Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, the rights of the Issuer under any Hedge Agreements and other collateral will be pledged to the Trustee as security for, among other things, the Issuer's obligations under the Notes and the Class 1 Collateral will be pledged to the Trustee as security solely for the benefit of the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities.

The Co-Issuer is not expected to have any significant assets and will not pledge any assets to secure the Notes. The Co-Issuer will have no claim against the Issuer in respect of the Collateral Obligations or otherwise.

**Portfolio Manager** ..... Certain advisory and management functions with respect to the Collateral will be performed by Highland Capital Management, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("**Highland Capital**" or, in such capacity, the "**Portfolio Manager**"). On the Closing Date, the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates are expected to purchase Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$13,200,000. Under the Portfolio Management Agreement, the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates will maintain, in the aggregate, ownership of Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount of at least \$10,000,000 until the earlier of such time as:

- (i) none of the Notes are Outstanding; or
- (ii) Highland Capital is removed or resigns as Portfolio Manager and such removal or resignation has become effective in accordance with the Portfolio Management Agreement.

The Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates may also acquire Preference Shares upon the occurrence of (i) the Amendment Buy-Out Option and (ii) a proposed removal of the Portfolio Manager by the Directing Preference Shares. In addition, the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates may acquire the Class A-1g Notes upon the occurrence of the Removal Buy-Out Option. In addition, the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates may acquire all or any portion of any Extension Sale Securities in connection with a Maturity Extension. See "The Portfolio Manager," "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities," "—Relating to the Portfolio

Manager" and "—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Portfolio Manager," "Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out," "—Removal Buy-Out," "Description of the Securities—Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date" and "The Management Agreement."

**Insurer** ..... As Insurer, Assured Guaranty Corp., a Maryland-domiciled insurance corporation ("**Assured Guaranty**"), will issue the Policy for the benefit of the Holders of the Insured Notes, pursuant to which it will irrevocably and unconditionally guarantee the Insured Amounts on the Insured Notes. No other Class of Securities will be entitled to the benefits of the Policy. See "The Insurer and the Policy."

The Indenture provides that, as the "Controlling Class," the Insurer, and not the Holders of the Insured Notes, will have certain voting rights under the Indenture at all times prior to the payment in full of the Class A-1g Notes and all amounts owing to the Insurer in accordance with the Insurance Agreement so long as no Insurer Default has occurred and is continuing. In addition, the Insurer will have certain other rights under the Insurance Agreement, including rights to declare events of default thereunder in certain circumstances, which events of default will constitute Events of Default under the Indenture. See "Risk Factors—Insurer as Controlling Class," "Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default" and "The Insurer and the Policy—The Policy."

**Use of Proceeds** ..... The gross proceeds of the offering of the Securities received on the Closing Date are expected to equal approximately \$689,000,000 and will be used by the Issuer to:

- purchase a portfolio of Collateral Obligations;
- fund a trust account for Revolving Loans (the "**Revolving Reserve Account**") and a trust account for Delayed Drawdown Loans (the "**Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account**") to cover any future draws on Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans;
- enter into any Hedge Agreements, as applicable;
- enter into any Securities Lending Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the Securities Lending Account);
- enter into any Synthetic Security Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the related accounts);

- repurchase and terminate Participations outstanding under the Warehouse Agreement (at a price reflecting the price originally paid by the Issuer to acquire the Warehoused Loans, *plus* the amount of extensions of credit in respect of certain Warehoused Loans, *minus* the aggregate amount of payments of principal received by the Warehouse Provider in respect of such Warehoused Loans (excluding the amount of any such payment that was required to be repaid or returned by the Warehouse Provider by claw-back or otherwise), *plus* all accrued and unpaid interest and fees on the Warehoused Loans;
- fund the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account;
- purchase the Treasury Strip for deposit into the Class 1 Component Account;
- pay an arrangement and advisory fee to Sumitomo Trust & Banking Co., Ltd.; and
- undertake certain related activities.

See "Use of Proceeds."

**Payment Dates.....** Payment of interest on, and principal of, the Notes will be made by the Issuer in U.S. Dollars on the first day of each February, May, August and November of each year (or if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day), commencing August 1, 2005, to the extent of available cash flow in respect of the Collateral in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

**Interest Payments and Payments of Dividends from Interest**

**Proceeds.....** The Notes will accrue interest from the Closing Date. Interest on the Notes will be payable, to the extent of funds available therefor, on each Payment Date.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of interest due on such Class of Deferred Interest Notes that is not available to be paid ("**Deferred Interest**") in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered "payable" for the purposes of the Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for the Class (and to the extent not paid as

current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest), until paid. See "Description of the Securities—Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Preference Shares from Interest Proceeds," "—Priority of Payments" and "—The Indenture—Events of Default."

On each Payment Date (or, with respect to the Preference Share Components, the Composite Securities Payment Date), the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Interest Proceeds as described under clauses (18), (21) and (23) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds."

On each Payment Date on which distributions are made in respect of the Preference Shares, a portion of such payment will be allocated to the Class 1 Composite Securities in the proportion that the aggregate Face Amount of the Preference Share Component bears to the aggregate Face Amount of the Preference Shares. The payment of distributions, redemption amounts and any other payments on the Class 1 Composite Securities will be distributed in the same manner as the Preference Shares to which the Preference Share Component relates, except that such payment will be made on the Composite Securities Payment Date. See "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments."

On each Composite Securities Payment Date, the Trustee will disburse (solely from amounts in the Class 1 Component Account attributable to the proceeds from the sale of the Treasury Strip as described in "Description of the Securities—Class 1 Component Distributions") to the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities, *pro rata* based on their share of the Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance, the proceeds from the sale of the Treasury Strip relating to such Composite Securities Payment Date. See "Description of the Securities—Class 1 Component Distribution."

**Principal Payments and  
Distributions from Principal  
Proceeds.....**

The Notes and the Composite Securities will mature at par on the Payment Date in February, 2017 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (the "**Stated Maturity**") and the Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed at the Redemption Price thereof by the Issuer on the Payment Date in February, 2017 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (the "**Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**"), in each case unless redeemed or (in the case of the Notes) repaid in full prior thereto. The average life of

each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years from issuance until Stated Maturity for such Notes. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary," "—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected" and "Maturity and Prepayment Considerations."

In general, principal payments will not be made on the Notes before the end of the Reinvestment Period, except in the following circumstances:

- in connection with an Optional Redemption;
- at the option of the Portfolio Manager, to effect a Special Redemption of the Notes;
- pursuant to a redemption made in connection with a Tax Event; or
- following a mandatory redemption of the Notes caused by a failure to meet any of the Coverage Tests or a Rating Confirmation Failure.

See "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments," "—Optional Redemption," "—Special Redemption of the Notes If the Portfolio Manager Does Not Identify Investments as Contemplated by the Indenture," "—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes" and "Security for the Notes and the Composite Securities—Ramp-Up."

No payments of principal will be made on the Class A-2 Notes until the principal of the Senior Class A Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class A-3 Notes until the principal of the Senior Class A Notes and the Class A-2 Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class B Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class C Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes has been paid in full. However, Principal Proceeds may be used to pay Deferred Interest and other amounts before the payment of principal of the Notes. See "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments."

No principal of any Class of Notes will be payable on any Payment Date other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and to the extent funds are available therefor on that Payment Date for that purpose, except that the principal of each Class of Notes will be payable in full at the Stated Maturity, unless repaid before that.

On each Payment Date (or, with respect to the Preference Share Components, the Composite Securities Payment Date), the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent

for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Principal Proceeds as described under clauses (6)(A), (9) and (10) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds."

On each Payment Date on which distributions are made in respect of the Preference Shares, a portion of such payment will be allocated to the Class 1 Composite Securities in the proportion that the aggregate Face Amount of the Preference Share Component bears to the aggregate Face Amount of the Preference Shares. The payment of distributions, redemption amounts and any other payments on the Class 1 Composite Securities will be distributed in the same manner as the Preference Shares to which the Preference Share Component relates, except that such payment will be made on the Composite Securities Payment Date. See "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments."

For a description of the relative priority of payments and level of subordination of the Securities and certain fees, expenses and other liabilities of the Co-Issuers, see "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments."

**Extension of the Reinvestment  
Period, the Stated Maturity and  
the Scheduled Preference Shares  
Redemption Date .....**

The Issuer, if directed by the Portfolio Manager, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Reinvestment Period to the applicable Extended Reinvestment Period End Date if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously affected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Reinvestment Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. For purposes of the foregoing, "**Extension Effective Date**" means if an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extension Effective Date (or, in the case of the first Extension Effective Date, the Payment Date in May, 2010) and "**Extended Reinvestment Period End Date**" means, if an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Reinvestment Period End Date (or, in the case of the first Extension, the Payment Date in May, 2016).

If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Composite Securities shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Securities

or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents (the "**Maturity Extension**"). For purposes of the foregoing, "**Extended Stated Maturity Date**" means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Stated Maturity Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Payment Date in February, 2021) and "**Extended Weighted Average Life Date**" means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Weighted Average Life Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Weighted Average Life Date, March 15, 2018).

As a condition to a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares will have the right to offer to sell their Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares to one or more Extension Qualifying Purchasers for purchase on the applicable Extension Effective Date.

If all Extension Conditions are satisfied and a Maturity Extension is effected, each Holder of a Note, other than Extension Sale Securities, and the Insurer (so long as the Policy has not been terminated) will be entitled to receive the applicable Extension Bonus Payment, in each case to the extent of available funds and as provided in the Priority of Payments. Holders of Composite Securities and Preference Shares will not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

If all Extension Conditions are satisfied, other than obtaining the consent of the Insurer to such Extension, and the Insurer has and continues to object to such Extension, so long as there are no Accrued Insurance Liabilities outstanding on the related Payment Date, the Policy may be terminated by the Holders of 100% of the Class A-1g Notes (after giving effect to the sale of any Insured Notes which are Extension Sale Securities in connection with the proposed Maturity Extension). Upon such termination of the Policy, the Note Interest Rate in respect of the Class A-1g Notes will be the Step-Up Note Interest Rate.

See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary," "—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected," "Maturity and Prepayment Considerations," "Description of the Securities—Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date" and "Description of the Securities—Termination of the Policy."

#### **Security for the Notes and the**

#### **Composite Securities .....**

The Notes will be secured by a portfolio having an Aggregate Principal Balance following the Ramp-Up Period of approximately U.S.\$663,000,000 (in principal amount) and consisting primarily of Collateral Obligations and certain other debt securities, in each case having the characteristics set forth

herein. The Notes will also be secured by funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, the Issuer's rights under any Hedge Agreements, any Securities Lending Agreements, the Management Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement and, solely for the benefit of the Holders of the Class A-1g Notes only, the Insurance Documents. For the avoidance of any doubt, the Collateral shall not include the Class 1 Collateral or any Excluded Property. See "Security for the Notes and the Composite Securities."

The Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities (solely to the extent of their Class 1 Component), will be secured by the Treasury Strip deposited in the Class 1 Component Account. See "Security for the Notes and the Composite Securities."

The Preference Shares are unsecured equity interests in the Issuer.

**Collateral Ramp-Up Period .....** The Issuer expects that, as of the Closing Date, it will have purchased (or entered into commitments to purchase) Collateral Obligations to be included in the anticipated portfolio such that the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator will be at least \$663,000,000 as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date. The "**Ramp-Up Completion Date**" is the earlier of (i) the Business Day after the 179<sup>th</sup> day after the Closing Date, and (ii) the first day on which the following conditions are satisfied (x) either (A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least \$663,000,000 or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer with proceeds from the sale of the Securities (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be) equals at least \$663,000,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date) and (y) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$663,000,000.

In anticipation of the issuance of the Securities, the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and JPMorgan Chase Bank (as Warehouse Provider) entered into the Warehouse Agreement pursuant to which the Portfolio Manager has agreed to manage, on behalf of the Issuer, the Warehoused Loans to be acquired by the Issuer before the Closing Date and the Warehouse Provider has agreed to acquire a 100% participation in each Warehoused Loan concurrently with its acquisition by the Issuer, for a purchase price equal to the purchase price paid by the Issuer for the related Warehoused Loan. On the Closing Date, eligible Warehoused Loans will be repurchased by the Issuer with proceeds of the



offering. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Collateral Obligations—A Substantial Amount of Collateral Obligations

Was Acquired Before the Closing Date, and the Terms of the Acquisition May Adversely Affect the Issuer."

See "Security for the Notes and the Composite Securities—Ramp-Up."

**Reinvestment Period;  
Reinvestment in Collateral  
Obligations .....**

During the Reinvestment Period, the Issuer may generally (and subject to certain requirements) reinvest Principal Proceeds received with respect to the Collateral in additional or substitute Collateral Obligations in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria (which Eligibility Criteria includes a requirement that an item of Collateral purchased by the Issuer meet the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and that the portfolio of Collateral Obligations be in compliance with the Concentration Limitations to the extent provided in the Eligibility Criteria). See "—Collateral Obligations," "—Concentration Limitations" and "Security for the Notes and the Composite Securities—Eligibility Criteria."

The "**Reinvestment Period**" will be the period from the Closing Date through and including the first to occur of:

- (i) the Payment Date after the date that the Portfolio Manager notifies the Trustee, each Rating Agency and the Administrator, in the sole discretion of the Portfolio Manager, that, in light of the composition of the Collateral, general market conditions, and other factors, investments in additional Collateral Obligations within the foreseeable future would either be impractical or not beneficial;
- (ii) the Payment Date in May, 2012 or, in the case of an Extension, the Extended Reinvestment Period End Date;
- (iii) the Payment Date on which all Notes are to be optionally redeemed or an earlier date after notice of an Optional Redemption chosen by the Portfolio Manager to facilitate the liquidation of the Collateral for the Optional Redemption; and
- (iv) the date on which the Reinvestment Period terminates or is terminated as a result of an Event of Default (subject to the terms of the Indenture).

No investment will be made in Collateral Obligations after the termination of the Reinvestment Period, except that (x) Unscheduled Principal Payments and (y) Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations may be invested in Collateral

Obligations after the Reinvestment Period subject to the limitations described under "Security for the Notes and the Composite Securities—Eligibility Criteria" and "—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Reinvestment of Principal Proceeds and Reinvestment Criteria." After the termination of the Reinvestment Period, all Principal Proceeds (other than Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations) must be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

**Collateral Obligations .....** Any obligation or security (a "**Collateral Obligation**") that, when the Issuer commits to purchase (or otherwise acquire) the obligation or security, is a Loan, High-Yield Bond, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that is a Loan, a Structured Finance Obligation or High-Yield Bond that is:

- (i) denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars and is not convertible by its obligor into any other currency;
- (ii) an obligation of an obligor Domiciled in an Eligible Country;
- (iii) an obligation that is eligible by its terms to be assigned to the Issuer and pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral;
- (iv) not an exchangeable or convertible security that is exchangeable or convertible at the option of its issuer;
- (v) not an equity security or a component of an equity security or a security that has a component that is an equity security (other than for avoidance of doubt, a pass-through trust certificate in a trust holding Collateral Obligations);
- (vi) not an obligation or security that has been called for redemption and is not an obligation or security that is the subject of an Offer other than a Permitted Offer or an exchange offer in which a security that is not registered under the Securities Act is exchanged for (a) a security that has substantially identical terms (except for transfer restrictions) but is registered under the Securities Act or (b) a security that would otherwise qualify for purchase under the Eligibility Criteria;
- (vii) an obligation that (a) has a Moody's Rating (including any estimated or confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored) and (b) has an S&P Rating (including any confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored), which S&P Rating does not have a "p", "pi", "q", "r" or "t" subscript unless S&P otherwise authorizes in writing;

- (viii) an obligation that is a Finance Lease (if it is a lease) and the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;
- (ix) an obligation that is not a Current-Pay Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation and in the case of a Collateral Obligation that has a Moody's Rating of "Caa1" or lower or an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower, an obligation for which the Portfolio Manager has certified in writing that such Collateral Obligation is not a Credit Risk Obligation;
- (x) an obligation that (unless it is a High-Yield Bond) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness for borrowed money of the applicable issuer; provided that for the avoidance of doubt, this clause shall not prohibit the inclusion as Collateral Obligations of Subordinated Lien Loans;
- (xi) an obligation that (a) (unless it is a PIK Security) bears simple interest payable in cash no less frequently than annually at a fixed or floating rate that is paid on a periodic basis on an unleveraged basis and, in the case of a floating rate, computed on a benchmark interest rate plus or minus a spread, if any (which may vary under the terms of the obligation) and (b) provides for a fixed amount of principal payable in cash according to a fixed schedule (which may include optional call dates) or at maturity (or a fixed notional amount in the case of Synthetic Securities);
- (xii) an obligation the payment or repayment of the principal, if any, of which is not an amount determined by reference to any formula or index or subject to any contingency under the terms thereof;
- (xiii) in the case of a Loan, an obligation that is part of, or a Participation in, a syndicated loan facility that provides for a commitment by the lenders, in the aggregate, of at least U.S.\$100 million;
- (xiv) an obligation the portion of which to be acquired (including through a Synthetic Security with respect to the Reference Obligation) does not represent, directly or indirectly, more than a 25% interest in the obligation;
- (xv) not an obligation with a maturity later than one year after the Stated Maturity of the Notes;
- (xvi) an obligation upon which no payments are subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the obligor thereof or counterparty with respect thereto is required to make "gross-up" payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax on an after-tax basis

(other than withholding taxes with respect to commitment fees associated with Collateral Obligations constituting Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans);

(xvii) not a Loan or Synthetic Security that would require the Issuer after its purchase of the Loan or Synthetic Security to advance any funds to the related borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty or permit the borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty to require that any future advances be made except for:

(A) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the Issuer deposits into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, respectively, the maximum amount of any advances that may be required of the Issuer under the related Underlying Instrument (as provided in the Indenture); and

(B) any Synthetic Security if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Synthetic Security, the Issuer posts cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) the Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of any future advances;

(xviii) if such obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation, such obligation:

(A) has been assigned a rating by both Moody's and S&P;

(B) has a Moody's Rating of "Ba3" or higher and an S&P Rating of "BB-" or higher; and

(C) has not been placed on the watch list for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P;

(xix) not a Loan that is an obligation of a debtor in possession or a trustee for a debtor in an insolvency proceeding other than a DIP Loan;

(xx) with respect to an obligation that provides for the payment of interest at a floating rate, an obligation for which such floating rate is determined by reference to the U.S. Dollar prime rate or other base rate, London interbank offered rate or similar interbank offered rate, commercial deposit rate or any other index that the Rating

Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto;

- (xxi) in the case of a Synthetic Security, a Synthetic Security for which the counterparty or issuer, as the case may be, has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3", and if rated "A3" by Moody's, such rating is not on watch for downgrade, and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A-";
- (xxii) not an obligation that constitutes Margin Stock;
- (xxiii) not a Zero-Coupon Security;
- (xxiv) not an obligation that is currently deferring interest or paying interest "in kind" or otherwise has an interest "in kind" balance outstanding at the time of purchase, which interest is otherwise payable in cash, unless the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;
- (xxv) not a security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined by the Portfolio Manager;
- (xxvi) not an obligation the interest payments of which are scheduled to decrease (although interest payments may decrease due to unscheduled events such as a decrease if the index relating to a Floating Rate Obligation, the change from a default rate of interest to a non-default rate of interest or an improvement in the obligor's financial condition); and
- (xxvii) not an obligation that will cause the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the pool of assets to be required to be registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act.

The Treasury Strip shall not be a Collateral Obligation and it shall not be taken into account in any calculation involving Collateral Obligations.

Pursuant to the definition of "Synthetic Security", unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event".

See "Security for the Notes and the Composite Securities—Collateral Obligations" and "—Eligibility Criteria."

**Concentration Limitations.....** Upon a purchase of a Collateral Obligation, the Eligibility Criteria require that each of the limits set forth below with respect to a particular type of Investment Obligation (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) as a percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount (the "**Concentration Limitations**") is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced:

	Percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount
(1) Senior Secured Loans and Eligible Investments	≥ 92.5%
(2) unsecured Loans	≤ 3.0%
(3) Subordinated Lien Loans	≤ 5.0%
(4) Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans	≤ 15.0%
(5) DIP Loans	≤ 5.0%
(a) except that with a Rating Confirmation, DIP Loans may constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	≤ 7.5%
(6) S&P Unrated DIP Loans	≤ 2.5%
(7) PIK Securities	≤ 3.0%
(8) High-Yield Bonds	≤ 7.5%
(9) Structured Finance Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(10) Structured Finance Obligations that are collateralized loan obligations	≤ 2.5%
(11) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States and Canada	≤ 15.0%
(12) obligors Domiciled in Canada or any single Moody's Group I Country	≤ 10.0%
(13) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group II Country	≤ 5.0%
(14) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group III Country	≤ 2.5%
(15) obligors organized in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction	≤ 5.0%
(16) same S&P Industry Classification	≤ 8.0%
(a) except that Investment Obligations belonging to two S&P Industry Classifications (not including Telecommunications) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	≤ 10.0%
(17) single issuer or any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties)	≤ 1.5%
(a) except that up to each of five individual issuers (including any of their respective Affiliates but excluding issuers that the Portfolio Manager reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	≤ 2.0%
(18) Fixed Rate Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(19) Pay interest less frequently than quarterly but no less frequently than annually	≤ 7.5%
(20) Synthetic Securities	≤ 20.0%

(a)	except that Synthetic Securities that provide for settlement other than by physical delivery may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$
(b)	except that Synthetic Securities that reference a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$
(21)	Participations ( <i>provided</i> , that no Investment Obligations may be a Participation in a Participation)	$\leq 10.0\%$
(22)	Investment Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, in the aggregate may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 20.0\%$
(23)	Investment Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, a single Secondary Risk Counterparty	$\leq$ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Individual Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating*
(24)	Investment Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, all Secondary Risk Counterparties	$\leq$ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Aggregate Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating**
(25)	Deep Discount Obligations	$\leq 5.0\%$
(26)	CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(27)	Long-Dated Collateral Obligations	$\leq 2.0\%$
(28)	Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements	$\leq 15.0\%$
(29)	Collateral Obligations providing for interest at a non-London interbank offered rate	$\leq 5.0\%$

\* Applicable long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P of such Secondary Risk Counterparty (using the limit for the lower of such ratings if different).

\*\* Long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P at or below a level specified in the Secondary Risk Table (using the lower of such ratings for a Secondary Risk Counterparty, if different).

Subject to the rights in circumstances of the Portfolio Manager to determine otherwise as set out in the Indenture, solely for the purpose of determining whether the Concentration Limitations are met, Eligible Investments and Cash will be treated as Senior Secured Loans and Floating Rate Obligations.

See "Security For the Notes and the Composite Securities—Eligibility Criteria."

**Coverage Tests and the Reinvestment**

**Overcollateralization Test**..... The "**Coverage Tests**" will consist of the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Tests. In addition, the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test, which is not a Coverage Test, will apply as described herein. See "Security For the Notes and the Composite Securities—The Coverage Tests—The Overcollateralization Tests" and "—The Interest Coverage Tests" for the formulations of these tests, which are highly detailed. The ratios on which they are based are also described under such headings. The tests will be used to determine, among other things, whether (i) Notes will be redeemed in certain circumstances as described under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments" and (ii) in the case of the Coverage Tests, Collateral Obligations may be acquired as described under "Security for the Notes and the Composite Securities—Eligibility Criteria."

There will not be any Coverage Test applicable to the Composite Securities or the Preference Shares.

*The Overcollateralization Tests*..... The Overcollateralization Tests will consist of the "**Class A Overcollateralization Test**," the "**Class B Overcollateralization Test**" and the "**Class C Overcollateralization Test**." Each Overcollateralization Test will be satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes (treating the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes as one Class for this purpose) if, as of any Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the specified required level for the specified Class indicated in the table below:

<b>Test</b>	<b>Required Level</b>
Class A Overcollateralization Test	113.40%
Class B Overcollateralization Test	108.00%
Class C Overcollateralization Test	106.30%

*The Interest Coverage Tests* ..... The Interest Coverage Tests will consist of the "**Class A Interest Coverage Test**," the "**Class B Interest Coverage Test**" and the "**Class C Interest Coverage Test**." Each Interest Coverage Test will be satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes (treating the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes as one Class for this purpose) if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level specified in the table below for the specified Class:



	<b>Test</b>	<b>Required Level</b>
	Class A Interest Coverage Test	120.00%
	Class B Interest Coverage Test	115.00%
	Class C Interest Coverage Test	110.00%
<i>Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test</i> .....	A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date during the Reinvestment Period on which Class C Notes remain Outstanding, if the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 107.30%.	
<b>Collateral Quality Tests</b> .....	The Collateral Quality Tests will be used primarily as criteria for purchasing Collateral Obligations. See "Security for the Notes and the Composite Securities—Eligibility Criteria." The " <b>Collateral Quality Tests</b> " will consist of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Life Test, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the S&P CDO Monitor Test, as described below.	
<i>Diversity Test</i> .....	The Diversity Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date, if the Diversity Score equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score.	
<i>S&amp;P CDO Monitor Test</i> .....	The S&P CDO Monitor Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive.	
<i>Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test</i> .....	The Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 8.0%.	
<i>Weighted Average Life Test</i> .....	The Weighted Average Life Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and March 15, 2014 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date.	
<i>Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test</i> .....	The Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 44.5%.	

*Weighted Average Rating Factor*

*Test*..... The Weighted Average Rating Factor Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date, if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of such Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor.

*Weighted Average S&P Recovery*

*Rate Test* ..... The Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 49.3%.

*Weighted Average Spread Test*..... The Weighted Average Spread Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread.

See "Security for the Notes and the Composite Securities—The Collateral Quality Tests."

**Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

**for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests**..... If any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the last day of any Due Period (each, a "**Determination Date**"), funds will be used pursuant to the Priority of Payments to redeem the related Notes to the extent necessary for such failing Coverage Tests to be satisfied that would otherwise be used:

- (i) to purchase additional Collateral Obligations during the Reinvestment Period; or
- (ii) to make interest and principal payments on the Notes and to make dividend or redemption payments in respect of the Preference Shares.

See "Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests."

**Certain Consequences of Failure to Satisfy the Reinvestment**

**Overcollateralization Test**..... If during the Reinvestment Period, the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on any Determination Date, certain funds, as described under clause (16) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds," representing Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be used to make payments on the Preference Shares and certain subordinated expenses of the Issuer, will be deposited instead into the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds to the extent necessary to cause the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as of that Determination Date after application of

Principal Proceeds as described under clause (1) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds."

**Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

**Upon Rating Confirmation Failure.....** The Issuer will request S&P to confirm and Moody's to confirm in writing, by the Business Day after the 29<sup>th</sup> day after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that it has not reduced, suspended or withdrawn the Initial Rating of each Class of Notes and Composite Securities and that it has not placed any Class of Notes or Composite Securities on credit watch with negative implications. If the Trustee does not receive evidence of confirmation before the Payment Date following the 29-day period (such an event, a "**Rating Confirmation Failure**"), all Interest Proceeds remaining after payment of amounts referred to in clauses (1) and (3) through (12) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" will be used to pay principal of the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes sequentially in order of their priority on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date thereafter until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. If necessary, after the foregoing payments are made out of Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds in accordance with clause (3) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds" will be used to pay principal of each Class of the Notes sequentially in order of their priority on each Payment Date until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. See "Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure."

**Non-Call Period .....** The period from the Closing Date to but not including the Payment Date in May, 2010 (the "**Non-Call Period**").

**Optional Redemption .....** Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the Holders of at least 63% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares may require the Issuer or Co-Issuers, as applicable, to redeem the Notes, in whole but not in part, from Principal Proceeds and all other funds available for that purpose in the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account in accordance with the redemption procedures described under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption."

Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at their Redemption Price. From and after the Redemption Date the redeemed Notes will cease to bear interest.

The redemption price payable in connection with the Optional Redemption of any Class of Notes will be the sum of:

- (i) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of the Note being redeemed; *plus*
- (ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest); *plus*
- (iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note; *plus*
- (iv) in the case of the Fixed Rate Notes, the applicable Make-Whole Amount; *plus*
- (v) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

The redemption price payable in connection with the Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares will be (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the entire remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case, as described under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption."

With respect to any Class 1 Component and any Optional Redemption, "Redemption Price" means the distribution in kind of the Treasury Strip provided for in "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares."

**Special Redemption** ..... The Notes will be subject to redemption in whole or in part by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, on Payment Dates during the Reinvestment Period if the Portfolio Manager elects (subject to the Management Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the investment or reinvestment of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be invested in additional Collateral Obligations (a "**Special Redemption**"). On the first Payment Date following the Due Period for which such notice is effective (a "**Special Redemption Date**"), the funds in the Collection Account or the Payment Account representing Principal Proceeds which cannot be reinvested in additional Collateral Obligations (the "**Special Redemption Amount**") will be available to be applied in accordance with the Priority of

Payments. See "Description of the Securities—Special Redemption of the Notes If the Portfolio Manager Does Not Identify Investments as Contemplated by the Indenture."

**The Policy** ..... The Insured Notes will be entitled to the benefit of the Policy to be issued on the Closing Date by the Insurer pursuant to an insurance and indemnity agreement among the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Insurer (the "**Insurance Agreement**"). Pursuant to the Policy, the Insurer will irrevocably and unconditionally guarantee to the Holders of the Insured Notes payment of the Insured Amounts that shall become Due for Payment but shall be unpaid by reason of Nonpayment by the Issuer.

Payments on the Class A-1g Notes that become due on an accelerated basis as described under "Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default", in connection with a redemption prior to the Stated Maturity or otherwise will not constitute "Insured Amounts" unless the Insurer, in its sole discretion, elects to make such payments.

Any amounts paid by the Insurer under the Policy shall constitute Accrued Insurance Liabilities and shall be due and payable immediately by the Issuer. "**Accrued Insurance Liabilities**" consist of all amounts paid by the Insurer under the Policy for the benefit of the Class A-1g Notes, plus interest in respect of such amounts from the date incurred to the date of payment to or reimbursement of the Insurer at the Accrued Insurance Liabilities Interest Rate. See "The Insurer and the Policy."

The Policy may be terminated in certain circumstances as described in "Description of the Securities—Termination of the Policy." Upon such termination of the Policy, the Note Interest Rate in respect of the Class A-1g Notes will be the Step-Up Note Interest Rate.

See "Description of the Securities—Termination of the Policy."

**The Offering**..... The Securities are being offered (i) in reliance on Regulation S, to non-U.S. Persons in offshore transactions ("**Offshore Transactions**") as such term is defined in Regulation S and (ii) to purchasers that are U.S. persons ("**U.S. Persons**") as such term is defined in Regulation S, that are (x) Qualified Institutional Buyers or, with respect to the Composite Securities and the Preference Shares only, Accredited Investors and (y) (A) a Qualified Purchaser, (B) with respect to the Preference Shares only, a Knowledgeable Employee or (C) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or, with respect to

the Preference Shares only, Knowledgeable Employees. Subsequent transferees of the Securities must be (1) non-U.S. Persons that purchase the Securities in Offshore Transactions or (2)(a) Qualified Institutional Buyers or, with respect to the Composite Securities and the Preference Shares only, Accredited Investors, and (b) (A) a Qualified Purchaser, (B) with respect to the Preference Shares only, a Knowledgeable Employee or (C) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or with respect to the Preference Shares only, Knowledgeable Employees. See "Plan of Distribution" and "Transfer Restrictions."

**Form, Registration and Transfer of the Notes .....**

Except as provided herein, the Notes sold in reliance on Rule 144A to Qualified Institutional Buyers and Qualified Purchasers will be represented by one or more permanent global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons (each, a "**Rule 144A Global Note**") deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository. The Depository will credit the account of each of its participants with the principal amount of the Notes being purchased by or through the participant. Beneficial interests in a Rule 144A Global Note will be shown on, and transfers thereof will be effected only through, records maintained by the Depository and its direct and indirect participants. See "Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Notes."

Except as provided herein, the Notes sold in Offshore Transactions to non-U.S. Persons in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by one or more permanent global securities in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons (each, a "**Regulation S Global Note**") which will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear or Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream at any time.

Except in the limited circumstances described herein, certificated Notes will not be issued in exchange for beneficial interests in Global Securities. See "Settlement and Clearing."

Transfers of interests in the Notes are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Indenture. See "Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Notes" and "Transfer Restrictions." Each purchaser of Notes in making its purchase will be required to make, or will be deemed to

have made, as the case may be, certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements. See "Transfer Restrictions."

**Form, Registration and Transfers of  
the Composite Securities.....**

The Composite Securities sold in Offshore Transactions to non-U.S. Persons pursuant to Regulation S will be represented by one or more permanent global securities in definitive, fully registered form (each, a "**Regulation S Global Composite Security**") which will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear or Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Composite Security may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream at any time.

The Composite Securities sold in non-Offshore Transactions or to U.S. Persons who purchase such Composite Securities for their own account or for the account of a Qualified Institutional Buyer or Accredited Investor who, in either case, is also (1) a Qualified Purchaser or (2) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Composite Securities in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the "**Certificated Composite Securities**").

Transfers of the Composite Securities are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Indenture. The Components of the Composite Securities are not separately transferable. See "Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Composite Securities" and "Transfer Restrictions." Each purchaser of Composite Securities in making its purchase will be required to make, or will be deemed to have made, as the case may be, certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements. See "Transfer Restrictions."

**Form, Registration and Transfers of  
the Preference Shares.....**

In addition to Certificated Preference Shares, the Preference Shares sold in Offshore Transactions to non-U.S. Persons pursuant to Regulation S may be represented by one or more permanent global securities in definitive, fully registered form (each, a "**Regulation S Global Preference Share**" and, together with the Rule 144A Global Notes, the Regulation S Global Notes and the Regulation S Global Composite Securities, the "**Global Securities**") which will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at

Euroclear or Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Preference Share may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream at any time.

The Preference Shares sold in (i) non-Offshore Transactions or to U.S. Persons who purchase such Preference Shares for their own account or for the account of a Qualified Institutional Buyer or Accredited Investor who, in either case, is also (1) a Qualified Purchaser, (2) a Knowledgeable Employee or (3) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees will be, or (ii) Offshore Transactions to non-U.S. Persons pursuant to Regulation S may be, issued in the form of one or more certificated Preference Shares in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the "**Certificated Preference Shares**").

Transfers of the Preference Shares are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Preference Share Documents. See "Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Preference Shares" and "Transfer Restrictions." Each purchaser of Preference Shares in making its purchase will be required to make, or will be deemed to have made, as the case may be, certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements. See "Transfer Restrictions."

#### **No Exchange of the Composite**

**Securities .....** A Holder of a Class 1 Composite Security may not exchange its Class 1 Composite Security for proportional interests in the underlying securities represented by the Components thereof. See "Description of the Securities—No Exchange of the Composite Securities."

**Ratings.....** It is a condition of the issuance of the Securities that each Class of Notes and the Composite Securities are rated (in the case of the Insured Notes, after giving effect to the Policy) at least as indicated in the table under "—Principal Terms of the Securities " on the Closing Date.

The Class 1 Composite Securities are rated only as to the ultimate payment of their Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance.

No rating of the Preference Shares has been sought or obtained in connection with the issuance thereof.

Each of the above ratings assume that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date.

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



any time by the assigning Rating Agency. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—Future Ratings of the Notes Are Not Assured and Limited in Scope; the Preference Shares are Not Rated."

**Listing.....** Application will be made to list each Class of the Securities (other than the Preference Shares) on the Irish Stock Exchange. There can be no assurance that such admission will be granted or maintained. See "Listing and General Information." In addition, there is currently no market for the Securities and there can be no assurance that a market will develop.

**Governing Law .....** The terms and conditions of the Preference Shares (as set forth in the Issuer Charter and the Resolutions) will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the Cayman Islands. The Notes, the Composite Securities, the Indenture, any supplemental indenture, the Management Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Policy, the Insurance Agreement and any Hedge Agreements will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the State of New York.

**Tax Status.....**

**The opinions expressed in this document were not written and are not intended by McKee Nelson LLP, special U.S. tax counsel to the Issuer, to be used and cannot be used by the Issuer or any holder of Notes for purposes of avoiding United States federal income tax penalties that may be imposed, the advice is written to support the promotion or marketing of the transactions, and each taxpayer should seek advice based on the taxpayer's particular circumstances from an independent tax advisor.**

As more fully described in "Income Tax Considerations":

The Issuer and each Holder and beneficial owner of a Note, by acquiring such Note or an interest in such Note, will agree to treat such Note as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

The Issuer expects the Issuer's permitted activities will not cause it to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States under the Code and, consequently, the Issuer will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis (or the branch profits tax described below).

Payments of interest on the Securities and the Collateral Obligations are not expected to be subject to the imposition of withholding tax.

See "Income Tax Considerations."

**ERISA Considerations** ..... See "ERISA Considerations."

## **RISK FACTORS**

*An investment in the Securities involves certain risks. Prospective investors should carefully consider the following factors, in addition to the matters set forth elsewhere in this Offering Circular, prior to investing in any Class of Securities.*

### **General; Priorities of Securities**

The Issuer intends to invest in securities and other financial assets with certain risk characteristics as provided in the Indenture and the Management Agreement. See "Security for the Notes and the Composite Securities." There can be no assurance that the Issuer's investments will be successful, that its investment objectives will be achieved, that investors will receive their initial investments under the Securities or that they will receive any return (or avoid any loss, including total loss) on their investment in the Securities. Prospective investors are therefore advised to review this entire Offering Circular carefully and should consider, among other things, the following risk factors (along with, among other things, the inherent risks of investment activities) before deciding whether to invest in the Securities.

Except as is otherwise stated below, the risk factors are generally applicable to all the Securities, although the degree of risk associated with each Class of Securities may vary. In particular, the priorities of payment of the Notes are generally in the order of their alphabetic designation (and, in the case of the Class A Notes, their numeric designation) from Senior Class A Notes (the highest priority) to the Class C Notes (the lowest priority), the priorities of payment of the Notes are generally higher than priorities of payment of the Preference Shares.

### **Relating to the Securities**

#### *The Securities Will Have Limited Liquidity*

There is currently no market for the Securities. There can be no assurance that a secondary market for any Class of Securities will develop, or if a secondary market does develop, that it will provide the Holders of the applicable Class of Securities with liquidity of investment or that it will continue for the life of such Class of Securities. In addition, each Class of Securities is subject to certain transfer restrictions and can only be transferred to certain transferees as described under "Transfer Restrictions." The restrictions on the transfer of the Securities may further limit their liquidity. Consequently, an investor in the Securities must be prepared to hold such Securities until their Stated Maturity or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. In addition, the Securities will not be registered under the Securities Act or any state securities laws, and the Co-Issuers have no plans, and are under no obligation, to register the Securities under the Securities Act. Application will be made to admit each Class of the Securities (other than the Preference Shares) to the Daily Official List of the Irish Stock Exchange. There can be no assurance that any such admission will be granted or maintained.

#### *The Subordination of the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Preference Shares Will Affect Their Right to Payment in Relation to the More Senior Securities*

The Class A-2 Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Senior Class A Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Circular. Payments of interest on the Class A-2 Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Senior Class A Notes and certain other amounts (including certain management fees payable to the Portfolio Manager, certain amounts payable to the Insurer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class A-2 Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Senior Class A Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

The Class A-3 Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Senior Class A Notes and the Class A-2 Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering

Circular. Payments of interest on the Class A-3 Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and certain other amounts (including certain management fees payable to the Portfolio Manager, certain amounts payable to the Insurer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class A-3 Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

The Class B Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Circular. Payments of interest on the Class B Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and certain other amounts (including certain management fees payable to the Portfolio Manager, certain amounts payable to the Insurer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class B Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class B Deferred Interest.

The Class C Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Circular. Payments of interest on the Class C Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and certain other amounts (including certain management fees payable to the Portfolio Manager, certain amounts payable to the Insurer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class C Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class C Deferred Interest.

No payments will be made out of Interest Proceeds on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date (or, with respect to the Preference Share Components, the Composite Securities Payment Date), until due and unpaid interest on the Notes (including any Deferred Interest) and certain amounts (including certain amounts due under the Hedge Agreements, certain management fees payable to the Portfolio Manager, certain amounts payable to the Insurer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees) have been paid on the Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments. No payments will be made out of Principal Proceeds on the Preference Shares until principal of each Class of Notes and certain other amounts payable out of Principal Proceeds on each Payment Date have been paid in full. In addition, the Preference Shares will not be redeemed until each Class of Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

In addition, the Co-Issuers will have only nominal equity capitalization. Consequently, to the extent that any losses are suffered by any of the Holders of any Securities, the losses will be borne first by the Holders of the Preference Shares, and then by the Holders of each Class of Notes, serially in inverse order of their alphabetic (and, in the case of the Class A Notes, numeric) designations.

For purposes of subordination, the Composite Securities will not be treated as a separate Class, but the Preference Share Component of the Composite Securities will be treated as Preference Shares.

See "Description of the Securities."

*Interest Will Be Deferred on Deferred Interest Notes if There Are Insufficient Funds under the Priority of Payments for Payment of Interest*

So long as any Class A Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class B Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes as Class B Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class B Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent

Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds and to the payment in full of the principal of the Class A Notes in the application of Principal Proceeds.

So long as any Class A Notes or Class B Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class C Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes as Class C Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class C Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds and to the payment in full of the principal of the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the application of Principal Proceeds.

*Payments of Interest Proceeds on the Class A-1g Notes May Be Subordinated to Payments of Premium*

If on any Payment Date the amount of available Interest Proceeds is not sufficient for the payment in full of accrued and unpaid interest on the Senior Class A Notes, accrued and unpaid Premium and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-1g Notes shall be subordinated to the payment of accrued and unpaid Premium to the extent provided in clause (5)(A) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds."

*Interest Proceeds May Be Used to Reinvest in Priority to any Payments to Holders of Preference Shares*

During the Reinvestment Period, if the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test is not met on any Determination Date, a portion of the Interest Proceeds that might otherwise have been paid to the Holders of the Preference Shares on the related Payment Date (or, with respect to the Preference Share Components, the Composite Securities Payment Date) will instead be deposited into the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds, as described under clause (16) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds."

*The Insured Notes May Be Subject to the Insurer's Ability to Make Payments of the Insured Amounts*

Pursuant to the Policy, the Insurer will guarantee the payment of Insured Amounts with respect to the Insured Notes. However, if the Insurer were to become bankrupt or insolvent or otherwise default on its obligations under the Policy, no other persons would be obligated to make any payments or make up any deficiencies in payment of the Insured Notes after the liquidation in full of the Collateral by the Trustee, on behalf of the Holders of the Notes.

*The Controlling Class Will Control Many Rights under the Indenture; However, Some Rights of the Controlling Class to Sell the Collateral in Connection with an Event of Default Are Limited*

Under the Indenture, many rights of the Holders of the Notes will be controlled by a Majority of the Controlling Class. As discussed below under "—The Insurer as Controlling Class Will Control Many Rights Under the Indenture," the Insurer will be the "Controlling Class" for so long as (i) the Class A-1g Notes are Outstanding, (ii) the Policy has not been terminated and (iii) there has not been an Insurer Default under the Policy. Remedies pursued by the Holders of the Controlling Class upon an Event of Default could be adverse to the interests of the Holders of Securities subordinated to the Controlling Class. After any realization on the Collateral, proceeds will be allocated in accordance with the Priority of Payments pursuant to which the Notes and certain other amounts owing by the Co-Issuers will be paid in full before any allocation to the Preference Shares, and each Class of Notes (along with certain other

amounts owing by the Co-Issuers) will be paid serially in alphabetic order (or, with respect to the Class A Notes, in numeric order) until it is paid in full before any allocation is made to the next Class of Notes.

However, the ability of the Controlling Class to direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral is subject to certain limitations. As described under "Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default," if an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee must retain the Collateral intact and collect all payments in respect of the Collateral and continue making payments in accordance with the Priority of Payments and in accordance with the Indenture unless either (A) the Trustee determines that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty, all amounts owing by the Issuer to the Insurer under the Insurance Agreement, and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds," and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination or (B) the Holders of a Super Majority of each of the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes direct, subject to the provisions of the Indenture, the sale and liquidation of the Collateral; *provided, however*, if an Event of Default described in clause (d) under "Description of the Securities—Events of Default" occurs and if the Insurer is the Controlling Class, the Insurer shall have the sole right to direct, subject to the provisions of the Indenture, the sale and liquidation of the Collateral.

*The Insurer as Controlling Class Will Control Many Rights Under the Indenture*

So long as (i) the Class A-1g Notes are Outstanding, (ii) the Policy has not been terminated and (iii) there has not been an Insurer Default under the Policy, most rights of the Holders of the Class A-1g Notes will be exercised by the Insurer. As a result, the Holders of the Class A-1g Notes, for example, generally will not have the right to accelerate the maturity of the Notes upon the occurrence of an Event of Default but instead will be entitled to continue to receive regularly scheduled payments of interest and payments of principal, if any, unless and until such maturity is accelerated by the Insurer. The exercise of the rights of the Controlling Class by the Insurer is not conditioned on, among other things, the Insurer's maintaining any specified credit ratings.

In addition, the Insurer has the right to declare an event of default under the Insurance Agreement in connection with breaches of covenants and misrepresentations by the Co-Issuers thereunder. See "The Insurer and the Policy—Insurance Agreement Events of Default." Any such event of default would also constitute an Event of Default under the Indenture, with respect to which the Insurer would have the rights described above. In certain circumstances, as described under "Description of the Securities—Termination of the Policy," the Policy may be terminated with the consent of 100% of the Holders of the Class A-1g Notes.

*The Issuer is Highly Leveraged, which Increases Risks to Investors*

The Issuer will be substantially leveraged. Use of leverage is a speculative investment technique and involves certain risks to investors in the Securities. The leverage provided to the Issuer by the issuance of the Securities will result in interest expense and other costs incurred in connection with the borrowings that may not be covered by the net interest income, dividends and appreciation of the Collateral Obligations. The use of leverage generally magnifies the Issuer's risk of loss, particularly for the more subordinate Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares. In certain circumstances, such as in connection with the exercise of remedies following an Event of Default, the Controlling Class (which, for so long as (i) the Class A-1g Notes are Outstanding, (ii) the Policy has not been terminated and (iii) there has not been an Insurer Default under the Policy, will be the Insurer) may require the Issuer to dispose of some or all of the Collateral Obligations under unfavorable market conditions, thus causing the Issuer to recognize a loss that might not otherwise have occurred. In certain circumstances, the Controlling

Class (which, for so long as (i) the Class A-1g Notes are Outstanding, (ii) the Policy has not been terminated and (iii) there has not been an Insurer Default under the Policy, will be the Insurer) are entitled to direct the sales of Collateral Obligations and may be expected to do so in their own interest, rather than in the interests of the more subordinate Classes of Securities.

*The Issuer Is Newly Formed, Has No Significant Operating History, Has No Material Assets Other than the Collateral and Is Limited in its Permitted Activities*

The Issuer is a newly formed entity and has no significant operating history, other than in connection with the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations during the period up to the Ramp-Up Completion Date. The Issuer will have no material assets other than the Collateral and the Class 1 Collateral. The Indenture provides that the Issuer is not permitted to engage in any business activity other than the issuance of the Notes, the Composite Securities, the Preference Shares and the Issuer Ordinary Shares, the acquisition and disposition of and investment and reinvestment in Collateral Obligations, certain activities conducted in connection with the payment of amounts in respect of the Securities and the management of the Collateral and the Class 1 Collateral, and other activities incidental or related to the foregoing. Income derived from the Collateral and the Class 1 Collateral will be the Issuer's principal source of cash.

*The Co-Issuer Is Newly Formed, Has No Significant Operating History, Has No Material Assets, and Is Limited in its Permitted Activities*

The Co-Issuer is a newly formed Delaware corporation and has no prior operating history. The Co-Issuer will have no material assets. The Indenture provides that the Co-Issuer is not permitted to engage in any business activity other than the co-issuance and sale of the Notes, the issuance of its share capital, and other activities incidental or related to the foregoing.

*The Notes Are Non-Recourse Obligations; Investors Must Rely on Available Collections from the Collateral and Will Have No Other Source for Payment*

The Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes are non-recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuers. The Securities are payable solely from the Collateral pledged by the Issuer to secure the Notes. None of the security holders, members, officers, directors, partners, or incorporators of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Insurer (other than in respect of the Class A-1g Notes), the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Administrator, the Share Registrar, the Share Trustee, any of their respective affiliates, or any other person will be obligated to make payments on the Notes. The Issuer's ability to make interest payments and principal repayments on the Notes will be constrained by the terms of the Indenture. Holders of the Notes must rely solely on collections received on the Collateral pledged to secure the Notes and, solely in respect of the Class A-1g Notes, the Policy, as applicable, for the payment of interest and principal on the Notes, and there can be no assurance that those collections will be sufficient to pay all amounts due on the Notes. If the Insurer fails to make payments due pursuant to the Policy, Holders of the Insured Notes must rely solely on collections received on the Collateral pledged to secure the Notes for the payment of interest and principal on the Insured Notes, and there can be no assurance that those collections will be sufficient to pay all amounts due on the Insured Notes. If distributions on the Collateral are insufficient to make payments on the Notes, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and, following liquidation of all of the Collateral, the Co-Issuers will not have any obligation to pay any deficiency, which shall be extinguished and shall not revive.

*The Composite Securities Are Non-Recourse Obligations; Investors Must Rely on Available Collections from the Collateral and the Class 1 Collateral and Will Have No Other Source for Payment.*

The Composite Securities are non-recourse obligations of the Issuer. The Composite Securities are payable solely from the Collateral pledged by the Issuer to secure the Notes and from the Class 1 Collateral pledged by the Issuer to secure the Composite Securities. None of the security holders, members, officers, directors, partners, or incorporators of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Insurer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Administrator, the Share Registrar, the Share Trustee, any of their respective affiliates, or any other person will be obligated to make payments on the Composite Securities. The Issuer's ability to make payments on the Composite Securities will be constrained by the terms of the Indenture. Holders of the Composite Securities must rely solely on collections received on the Collateral pledged to secure the Notes and on the Class 1 Collateral pledged to secure the Composite Securities, and there can be no assurance that those collections will be sufficient to pay all amounts due on the Composite Securities. If distributions on the Collateral and the Class 1 Collateral are insufficient to make payments on the Composite Securities, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and, following liquidation of all of the Collateral and the Class 1 Collateral, the Issuer will not have any obligation to pay any deficiency, which shall be extinguished and shall not revive.

*The Preference Shares are not Secured Obligations; Investors Must Rely on Available Collections from the Collateral and Will Have No Other Source for Payment*

The Preference Shares will be part of the issued share capital of the Issuer. The Preference Shares are equity in the Issuer and are not secured by the Collateral Obligations or other Collateral securing the Notes. As such, the Holders of Preference Shares will rank behind all creditors, whether secured or unsecured and known or unknown, of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the holders of the Notes and any Hedge Counterparties. Except with respect to the obligations of the Issuer to pay the amounts described under the "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" and "—Principal Proceeds", the Issuer does not, however, expect to have any creditors though there can be no assurance that this will be the case. In addition, the Issuer is also subject to limitations with respect to the business that it may undertake. See "The Co-Issuers—Business." Payments in respect of the Preference Shares are subject to certain requirements imposed by Cayman Islands law. Any amounts paid by the Preference Shares Paying Agent as dividends on the Preference Shares will be payable only if the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or balance in the Issuer's share premium account. In addition, dividends and the final payment upon redemption of the Preference Shares, will be payable only to the extent that the Issuer is and will remain solvent after such dividends or redemption payment is paid. Under Cayman Islands law, a company is generally deemed to be solvent if it is able to pay its debts as they come due.

The Issuer's obligation to pay dividends or to make other distributions to the Holders of the Preference Shares will therefore not be a secured obligation of the Issuer and will not be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture, nor will the Trustee have any obligation to act on behalf of the Holders of Preference Shares. Holders of the Preference Shares will only be entitled to receive amounts available for payment of dividends or other distributions after payment of all amounts payable on each Class of Notes and certain other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments and only to the extent of distributable profits of the Issuer and/or any balance in the Issuer's share premium account and (in each case) only to the extent that the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distributions.

To the extent the requirements under Cayman Islands law described in the preceding paragraphs are not met, amounts otherwise payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares will be retained in the Preference Shares Distribution Account until, in the case of dividends, the next succeeding Payment Date on which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent such requirements are met and, in the case of any payment on redemption of the Preference Shares, the next succeeding Business Day on which



the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent such requirements are met. Amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account will not be available to pay amounts due to the Holders of the Notes, the Trustee, the Insurer, the Collateral Administrator, the Portfolio Manager, any Hedge Counterparty or any other creditor of the Issuer whose claim is limited in recourse to the Collateral. However, amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account may be subject to the claims of creditors of the Issuer that have not contractually limited their recourse to the Collateral. The Indenture and the Preference Share Documents will limit the Issuer's activities to the issuance and sale of the Securities, the acquisition and disposition of, and investment and reinvestment in, the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments and the other activities related to the issuance and sale of the Securities described under the "The Co-Issuers." The Issuer therefore does not expect to have any significant full recourse liabilities that would be payable out of amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

*The Issuer May Not Be Able to Invest and Reinvest Available Funds in Appropriate Collateral*

The amount of Collateral Obligations purchased on the Closing Date, the amount and timing of the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations before the Ramp-Up Completion Date, and the subsequent reinvestment of Principal Proceeds, will affect the cash flows available to make payments on, and the return to the Holders of, the Securities. Reduced liquidity and relatively lower volumes of trading in certain Collateral Obligations, in addition to restrictions on investment represented by the Eligibility Criteria, could result in periods during which the Issuer is not able to fully invest its available cash in Collateral Obligations, and it is unlikely that the Issuer's available cash will be fully invested in Collateral Obligations at any time. The longer the period before reinvestment of cash or cash-equivalents in Collateral Obligations and the larger the amount of uninvested cash or cash equivalents, the greater the adverse impact may be on aggregate interest collected and distributed by the Issuer, thereby resulting in lower yield than could have been obtained if the net proceeds associated with the offering of the Securities and all Principal Proceeds were immediately and fully reinvested. The associated reinvestment risk on the Collateral Obligations will be borne first by the Holders of the Preference Shares and second by the Holders of the Notes (beginning with the most subordinated Class of Notes). Although the Portfolio Manager may mitigate this risk to some degree during the Reinvestment Period by declaring a Special Redemption, the Portfolio Manager is not required to do so, and any Special Redemption may result in a lower yield on the Issuer's assets than could have been obtained if the net proceeds from the offering of the Securities and all Principal Proceeds were immediately and fully reinvested and no Special Redemption had taken place.

Generally, Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations, and Sale Proceeds received on the Collateral Obligations) will be reinvested during the Reinvestment Period (and, Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations, may be invested on any date after the Reinvestment Period, at the discretion of the Portfolio Manager) in substitute Collateral Obligations or temporarily reinvested in the Eligible Investments pending reinvestment in substitute Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The earnings with respect to substitute Collateral Obligations will depend, among other factors, on reinvestment rates available in the marketplace at the time and on the availability of investments acceptable to the Portfolio Manager that satisfy the criteria under "Security for the Notes and the Composite Securities—Eligibility Criteria." The need to satisfy the criteria and identify acceptable investments may require the purchase of substitute Collateral Obligations having lower yields than those initially acquired or require that Principal Proceeds be held temporarily in cash or Eligible Investments, which will reduce the yield earned by the Issuer. Further, issuers of Collateral Obligations may be more likely to exercise any rights they may have to redeem them when interest rates or spreads are declining. Any decrease in the yield on the Collateral Obligations will reduce the amounts available to make payments of principal and interest on the Notes and payments on the Preference Shares.

The Issuer expects that, as of the Closing Date, it will have purchased (or entered into commitments to purchase) at least \$497,250,000 in Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations to be included in the anticipated portfolio as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

*Changes in Tax Law Could Result in the Imposition of Withholding Taxes with Respect to Payments on the Securities, and the Issuer Will Not Gross-Up Payments to Holders*

Although no withholding tax is currently imposed by the United States or the Cayman Islands on payments on the Securities, there can be no assurance that, as a result of any change in any applicable law, treaty, rule, regulation, or interpretation thereof, the payments with respect to the Securities would not in the future become subject to withholding taxes. If any withholding tax is imposed on payments on any Securities, the Issuer will not "gross up" payments to their Holders.

*The Securities Are Subject to Substantial Transfer Restrictions*

The Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act, under any U.S. state securities or "Blue Sky" laws, or under the securities laws of any other jurisdiction and are being issued and sold in reliance upon exemptions from registration provided by those laws. No Securities may be sold or transferred unless: the sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act (for example, in reliance on exemptions provided by Rule 144A or Regulation S) and applicable state securities laws; and the sale or transfer does not cause either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral to become subject to the registration requirements of the Investment Company Act. See "Transfer Restrictions" and "ERISA Considerations."

*Non-Compliance with Restrictions on Ownership of the Securities under the United States Investment Company Act of 1940 Could Adversely Affect the Issuer*

Neither of the Co-Issuers has registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") as an investment company pursuant to the Investment Company Act. The Issuer has not so registered in reliance on an exclusion from the definition of "investment company" for companies organized under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States or any of its states: (i) whose investors residing in the United States are solely "qualified purchasers" (within the meaning given to such term in the Investment Company Act and related SEC regulations); and (ii) that do not make a public offering of their securities in the United States. No opinion or no-action position with respect to the registration of either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral under the Investment Company Act has been requested of, or received from, the SEC.

If the SEC or a court of competent jurisdiction were to find that the Issuer or the Co-Issuer is required, but in violation of the Investment Company Act had failed, to register as an investment company, possible consequences include the following: (i) the SEC could apply to a district court to enjoin the violation; (ii) investors in the Issuer or the Co-Issuer could sue the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, and recover any damages caused by the violation; and (iii) any contract to which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, is party whose performance involves a violation of the Investment Company Act would be unenforceable by any party to the contract unless a court were to find that under the circumstances enforcement would produce a more equitable result than non-enforcement and would not be inconsistent with the purposes of the Investment Company Act.

In addition, the Issuer's being required to register as an investment company would result in an Event of Default. See "Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default." Should the Issuer or the Co-Issuer be subjected to any or all of the foregoing, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, would be materially and adversely affected.

*The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary*

The Stated Maturity of the Notes is the Payment Date in February, 2017 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date. The weighted average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years until their Stated Maturity. See "Description of the Securities." The weighted average life of a Class of Notes will be affected by the amount and timing of payments of principal of the Notes and the amount and timing of payments received on the Collateral Obligations. The amount and timing of payments of principal on the Notes will be affected by, among other things, any Optional Redemption of the Notes, a failure of any Coverage Test, a Rating Confirmation Failure, any failure by the Portfolio Manager to invest or reinvest uninvested proceeds of the offering of the Securities in Collateral Obligations, a redemption of the Securities made in connection with a Tax Event, any Special Redemption of one or more Classes of Notes, and an Event of Default by the Issuer in the payment of the Notes and an acceleration of the principal of the Notes in connection with an Event of Default. The occurrence of any of the foregoing unscheduled principal repayments of the Notes is, in turn, determined by the amount and timing of payments on the Collateral, which will be dependent on, among other things, the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral and the characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, including the existence and frequency of exercise of any prepayment, optional redemption, or sinking fund features, the prevailing level of interest rates, the redemption price, the actual default rate and the actual level of recoveries on any Defaulted Collateral Obligations, the frequency of tender or exchange offers for the Collateral Obligations and any sales of Collateral Obligations, dividends or other distributions received on any obligations that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange do not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, as well as the risks unique to investments in obligations of foreign issuers. See "Security for the Notes and the Composite Securities."

*A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected.*

Under the Indenture, the Issuer, if directed by the Portfolio Manager, shall be entitled to, on each Extension Effective Date, to extend the Reinvestment Period to the applicable Extended Reinvestment Period End Date if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously affected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Reinvestment Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. Under the Indenture, if the Reinvestment Period is so extended, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Composite Securities (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) will be equally extended and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended without the requirement for any approval or consent of any Holders of Securities. Holders of Securities will not be able to prevent or prohibit the extension of the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Composite Securities (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) so long as the Extension Conditions are satisfied, which include the ability of Holders of Securities to sell their Securities at the designated purchase price to a designated purchaser under the Indenture. However, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Indenture provides that Holders of Preference Shares that have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% as of the Extension Effective Date will not receive any payment in exchange for their Preference Shares sold in connection with a Maturity Extension.

As a consequence, if the Portfolio Manager elects to extend the Reinvestment Period and the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Holders of the Securities may either be required to hold their Securities for a significantly longer period of time or be forced to sell their Securities for the applicable purchase price under the Indenture, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Securities.

*An Amendment Buy-Out May Result in a Shorter Holding Period Than Expected.*

Any Non-Consenting Holder of Securities with respect to an amendment of the Indenture (which includes Holders that fail to respond to a consent solicitation within the applicable period) may be forced to sell its applicable Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Securities. However, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Indenture provides that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price will be zero for Non-Consenting Holders that have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% as of the Amendment Buy-Out Date. See "Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out." A Holder's ability to vote against an amendment or affect or influence the amendment process with respect to the Indenture may thus be limited. The Amendment Buy-Out Option may also increase the ability of the Portfolio Manager to affect or influence the amendment process.

*A Removal Buy-Out May Result in a Shorter Holding Period Than Expected.*

Under the Management Agreement, upon the occurrence of an Event of Default described in clause (d) under "Description of the Securities—Events of Default" and so long as the Policy has not been terminated and delivered for cancellation as described in "Description of the Securities—Termination of the Policy," a Majority of the Controlling Class may terminate the Management Agreement and cause the Issuer to remove the Portfolio Manager; *provided, however*, that the Portfolio Manager shall have the right to avoid such removal if, in accordance with the terms described in "The Management Agreement," the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser purchases not less than all of the Class A-1g Notes at the Removal Buy-Out Purchase Price prior to the proposed removal date and terminates the Policy upon the effectiveness of such purchase. Upon the occurrence of such Removal Buy-Out Option, any Holder of Class A-1g Notes will be forced to sell its applicable Class A-1g Notes to the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser at the Removal Buy-Out Purchase Price, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Class A-1g Notes. See "Description of the Securities—Removal Buy-Out." A Holder's ability to vote to terminate the Management Agreement and remove the Portfolio Manager upon the occurrence of an Event of Default described in clause (d) under "Description of the Securities—Events of Default" may thus be limited.

*The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests*

If any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied on any Determination Date on which the Notes of the relevant Class are Outstanding, Interest Proceeds available on the related Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments (and, to the extent Interest Proceeds are insufficient, Principal Proceeds available on the Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments) are required to be applied to pay principal of the relevant Class of Notes (and any Classes senior to it) to the extent necessary for the relevant Coverage Test to be satisfied. The application of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to pay principal of the Notes to the extent necessary to restore the Coverage Tests to certain minimum required levels could result in an elimination, deferral or reduction in the amounts available to make distributions on the Preference Shares and interest and principal payments on one or more classes of Notes, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of the Securities.

*The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure*

If any rating of any Class of Notes is reduced or withdrawn or placed on credit watch with negative implications by the Business Day after the 29th day after the Ramp-Up Completion Date by either Rating Agency, Interest Proceeds and, if Interest Proceeds are insufficient, Principal Proceeds, are required to be diverted in accordance with the Priority of Payments and used to pay the principal of the Notes sequentially in order of their relative priority on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date after that until each rating is reinstated. The application of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to pay principal of the Notes to the extent necessary for one or more ratings to be reinstated could result in

an elimination, deferral, or reduction in one or more payments or distributions on one or more Classes of Securities, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of those Classes of Securities.

*The Indenture Permits Special Redemption of Notes Based on the Portfolio Manager's Inability to Identify Investments*

The Portfolio Manager is permitted under the Indenture to elect to have all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be invested in additional Collateral Obligations applied to a Special Redemption of the Notes, in whole or in part, on one or more Payment Dates during the Reinvestment Period because it has been unable, for a period of at least 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the investment or reinvestment of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be invested in additional Collateral Obligations. On the Special Redemption Date, in accordance with the Indenture, the Special Redemption Amount will be applied in accordance with "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds," to the extent available (which includes for this purpose uninvested proceeds specified by the Portfolio Manager), to pay the principal of the Notes. The application of funds in that manner could result in an elimination, deferral, or reduction of amounts available to make payments on Securities subordinate in priority to the Securities being amortized. See "Description of the Securities—Special Redemption of Notes If the Portfolio Manager Does Not Identify Investments as Contemplated by the Indenture."

*The Notes Are Subject to Optional Redemption*

Subject to satisfaction of certain conditions, on any Payment Date upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the Holders of at least 63% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares may require that the Notes be redeemed as described under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption." In the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Portfolio Manager may be required to aggregate Collateral Obligations to be sold together in one block transaction, thereby possibly resulting in a lower realized value for the Collateral Obligations sold. There can be no assurance that the market value of the Collateral will be sufficient for the Holders of the Preference Shares to direct an Optional Redemption of the Notes. A decrease in the market value of the Collateral would adversely affect the Sale Proceeds from their sale. Consequently, the conditions precedent to the exercise of an Optional Redemption may not be met. Moreover, the Holders of the Notes may not be able to invest the proceeds of the redemption of the Notes in investments providing a return equal to or greater than the Holders of the Notes expected to obtain from their investment in the Notes.

*Future Ratings of the Notes and the Composite Securities Are Not Assured and Limited in Scope; the Preference Shares Are Not Rated*

It is a condition to the issuance of the Notes and the Composite Securities that they be rated as provided under "Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities." A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and is subject to revision or withdrawal at any time. There is no assurance that a rating will remain for any given period or that a rating will not be lowered or withdrawn entirely by each Rating Agency if in its judgment circumstances in the future so warrant. Any such action could have an adverse effect on the Holders of the relevant Class of Securities. If a rating initially assigned to a Class of Notes or Composite Securities is subsequently lowered for any reason, no person is obligated to provide any additional credit support or credit enhancement.

No rating of the Preference Shares will be sought or obtained in connection with their issuance.

*Events Outside the Control of the Co-Issuers and the Portfolio Manager Can Affect the Securities*

Various acts of God, force majeure, and certain other events beyond the control of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Insurer, the Collateral Administrator, the Indenture Registrar, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Administrator could affect the ability of financial institutions to process payments and transfer funds and could impair the financial records and record-keeping practices of financial institutions and others (including the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Insurer, the Collateral Administrator, the Indenture Registrar, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Administrator). In addition, the existence of those circumstances could cause lenders and other creditors more readily to agree to restructure debt obligations (including payment terms) than they would in the absence of those circumstances. The existence of those circumstances could adversely affect the ability of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, to make timely payments on the Securities.

*Anti-Money Laundering Provisions*

The Uniting and Strengthening America By Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the "**USA PATRIOT Act**"), signed into law on and effective as of October 26, 2001, imposes anti-money laundering obligations on different types of financial institutions, including banks, broker-dealers and investment companies. The USA PATRIOT Act requires the Secretary of the United States Department of the Treasury (the "**Treasury**") to prescribe regulations to define the types of investment companies subject to the USA PATRIOT Act and the related anti-money laundering obligations. It is not clear whether Treasury will require entities such as the Issuer to enact anti-money laundering policies. It is possible that Treasury will promulgate regulations requiring the Co-Issuers or the Portfolio Manager or other service providers to the Co-Issuers, in connection with the establishment of anti-money laundering procedures, to share information with governmental authorities with respect to investors in the Securities. Such legislation and/or regulations could require the Co-Issuers to implement additional restrictions on the transfer of the Securities. As may be required, the Issuer reserves the right to request such information and take such actions as are necessary to enable it to comply with the USA PATRIOT Act.

The Issuer and the Administrator are also subject to anti-money laundering laws and regulations in the Cayman Islands which impose specific requirements with respect to the obligation "to know your client". Except in relation to certain categories of institutional investors, the Issuer will require a detailed verification of each initial investor's identity and the source of the payment used by such initial investor for purchasing the Securities in a manner similar to the obligations imposed under the laws of other major financial centers. If the Cayman Islands government determined the Issuer was in violation of the anti-money laundering provisions, the Issuer could be subject to substantial criminal penalties. Payment of any such penalties could materially adversely affect the timing and amount of payments to Holders of Securities.

**Relating to the Portfolio Manager***The Issuer Will Depend on the Managerial Expertise Available to the Portfolio Manager and its Key Personnel*

The performance of the Issuer's investment portfolio depends heavily on the skills of the Portfolio Manager in analyzing, selecting and managing the Collateral Obligations. As a result, the Issuer will be highly dependent on the financial and managerial experience of certain investment professionals associated with the Portfolio Manager, none of whom is under a contractual obligation to the Issuer to continue to be associated with the Portfolio Manager for the term of this transaction. The loss of one or more of these individuals could have a material adverse effect on the performance of the Co-Issuers. Furthermore, the Portfolio Manager has informed the Issuer that these investment professionals are also actively involved in other investment activities and will not be able to devote all of their time to the Issuer's business and affairs. In addition, individuals not currently associated with the Portfolio Manager

may become associated with the Portfolio Manager and the performance of the Collateral Obligations may also depend on the financial and managerial experience of such individuals. See "The Management Agreement" and "The Portfolio Manager."

*The Portfolio Manager Will Have Limited Control of the Administration and Amendment of Collateral Obligations*

The Portfolio Manager will cause the Issuer to exercise or enforce, or refrain from exercising or enforcing, its rights in connection with the Collateral Obligations or any related documents or will refuse amendments or waivers of the terms of any Collateral Obligation and related documents in accordance with its ordinary business practices as if the Portfolio Manager were administering the Collateral Obligations for its own account. The authority of the Portfolio Manager to cause the Issuer to change the terms of the Collateral Obligations will generally not be restricted by the Indenture or the Management Agreement. As a result, the Issuer will be relying on the Portfolio Manager's ordinary business practices with respect to the servicing of the Collateral Obligations. The Holders of the Securities and the Issuer will not have any right to compel the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager to take or refrain from taking any actions other than in accordance with its ordinary business practices.

In addition, when the Issuer holds a Participation, the Issuer generally will have no right to enforce compliance by the borrower with the loan or credit agreement or other instrument evidencing the related loan obligation, no rights of set-off against the borrower, no direct interest in the collateral supporting the loan obligation, and no right to vote with respect to amendments of, or waivers of defaults under, the loan obligation. However, most participation agreements relating to Participations in loans provide that the Participating Institution may not vote in favor of any amendment, modification, or waiver that forgives principal, interest, or fees; reduces principal, interest, or fees that are payable; postpones any payment of principal (whether a scheduled payment or a mandatory prepayment), interest or fees; or releases any material guarantee or security without the consent of the participant (at least to the extent the participant would be affected by the amendment, modification, or waiver). A Participating Institution voting in connection with a potential waiver of a default by an obligor may have interests different from those of the Issuer, and the Participating Institution might not consider the interests of the Issuer in connection with its vote. In addition, many participation agreements relating to Participations in loans that do provide voting rights to the participant further provide that if the participant does not vote in favor of amendments, modifications, or waivers, the Participating Institution may repurchase the Participation at par. In the event of the insolvency of the Participating Institution, the Issuer may be treated as a general creditor of the Participating Institution with respect to a Participation and may not benefit from any set-off between the Participating Institution and the borrower and may not be able to proceed against the collateral supporting the loan obligation. As a result, the Issuer is subject to the credit risk of both the borrower and the Participating Institution. An investment by the Issuer in a Synthetic Security related to a Loan involves many of the same considerations relevant to Participations. See "—Relating to the Collateral Obligations—Investing in Loans Involves Particular Risks" and "—Investing in Synthetic Securities Involves Particular Risks" below.

A modification that would increase the commitment of a lender, reduce the interest rate, or postpone the final maturity of an obligation under a participation agreement, or release all of the collateral for an obligation, generally requires the affirmative vote of the participating lender for a loan in which the Issuer owns a Participation, or of the Issuer for a Loan purchased by assignment, for the increase, reduction, or postponement to be binding. The exercise of remedies may also be subject to the vote of a specified percentage of the lenders under the loan obligation. The Portfolio Manager will have the authority to cause the Issuer to consent to certain amendments, waivers, or modifications to the Collateral Obligations requested by obligors or the lead agents for participation agreements relating to Participations (subject to operating procedures intended to reduce the risk that the Issuer would be deemed to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States for United States federal income tax purposes). The Portfolio Manager may, subject to the transaction documents, cause the Issuer to extend or defer the maturity, adjust the outstanding balance of any Collateral Obligation, reduce or forgive interest or fees,

release material collateral or guarantees, or otherwise amend, modify, or waive the terms of any related loan agreement, including its payment terms. The Portfolio Manager will make determinations in accordance with its servicing standards under the Management Agreement. Any amendment, waiver, or modification of a Collateral Obligation could postpone the expected maturity of the Notes or the expected redemption date of the Preference Shares, or reduce the likelihood of timely and complete payment of interest or principal under the Notes or a full return of an investment in the Preference Shares.

*Performance History of the Portfolio Manager May Not Be Indicative of Future Results*

Any prior investment results of the Portfolio Manager, and the persons associated with it or any other entity may not be indicative of the Issuer's future investment results. The nature of, and risks associated with, the Issuer's future investments may differ substantially from those investments and strategies undertaken historically by the Portfolio Manager, and the persons associated with it or any other entity. There can be no assurance that the Issuer's investments will perform as well as the past investments of the Portfolio Manager, and the persons associated with it or any other entity. Moreover, since the investment criteria that govern investments in the Collateral Obligations do not govern the Portfolio Manager's investments and investment strategies generally, investments in the Collateral Obligations conducted in accordance with the investment criteria that govern investments in the Collateral Obligations, and the results they yield, may differ substantially from other investments undertaken by the Portfolio Manager.

Notwithstanding the inapplicability of the results obtained and expected to be obtained from the past investments of the Portfolio Manager, a period of increased volatility in market conditions, including interest rate environments, can have an adverse effect on the realized and unrealized returns to investors in the past investments of the Portfolio Manager. There can be no assurance that current economic conditions and the effects of increased interest rate and corresponding price volatility will not adversely impact the investment returns ultimately realized by investors or continued compliance with, among other things, applicable coverage requirements described in this Offering Circular.

*Right of Portfolio Manager to Avoid Removal Without Cause May Result in a Shorter Holding Period of the Preference Shares Than Expected.*

The Portfolio Manager may be removed without cause upon 90 days' prior written notice by the Issuer, at the direction of the Holders of at least 63% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares (excluding Preference Shares held by the Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates or any account for which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority at the time of such vote); *provided, however*, that the Portfolio Manager shall have the right to avoid such removal if, in accordance with the terms described in "The Management Agreement," the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser purchases not less than all of the Directing Preference Shares and all of the Composite Securities relating to the Preference Share Component which constitute a part of the Directing Preference Shares. Upon the occurrence of such purchase by the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser of all of the Directing Preference Shares and all of the Composite Securities relating to the Preference Share Component which constitute a part of the Directing Preference Shares, the Holders of such Directing Preference Shares or Composite Securities, as the case may be, will be forced to sell its Preference Shares or Composite Securities, as the case may be, to the Portfolio Manager at the Buy-Out Amount, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Preference Shares or the Composite Securities, as the case may be,. However, the Management Agreement provides that the Buy-Out Amount will be zero for Directing Preference Shares that have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% as of the purchase date. See "The Management Agreement." The ability of a Holder of Preference Shares to remove the Portfolio Manager or affect or influence the removal of the Portfolio Manager may thus be limited.



## **Relating to the Collateral Obligations**

### *In General, the Collateral Obligations Are Subject to Various Risks*

The Collateral Obligations are subject to credit, liquidity, and interest rate risks, among others. The Eligibility Criteria and the Collateral Quality Tests have been established to address certain assumed deficiencies in payment occasioned by defaults with respect to the Collateral Obligations. If any deficiencies exceed certain modeled scenarios, however, payments or distributions on the Securities could be adversely affected. To the extent that a default occurs with respect to any Collateral Obligation securing the Notes and the Issuer (on the advice of the Portfolio Manager) sells or otherwise disposes of the Collateral Obligation, it is not likely that the proceeds of the sale or other disposition will be equal to the amount of principal and interest owing to the Issuer on of the Collateral Obligation.

The value of the Collateral Obligations generally will fluctuate with, among other things, the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral Obligations and, with respect to Synthetic Securities, both the financial condition of the related Synthetic Security counterparties and the obligors on or issuers of the Reference Obligations, general economic conditions, the condition of certain financial markets, political events, developments or trends in any particular industry, and changes in prevailing interest rates.

The ability of the Issuer to sell Collateral Obligations before their maturity is subject to certain restrictions under the Indenture including those described under "Security for the Notes and the Composite Securities—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Reinvestment of Principal Proceeds and Reinvestment Criteria."

### *Investing in Loans Involves Particular Risks*

The Collateral Obligations will consist primarily of Dollar-denominated senior secured and senior unsecured loans, which are required by the Indenture to be obligations of corporations, partnerships, or other entities organized under the laws of the United States (or any of its states) or of foreign obligors meeting specified criteria, or Synthetic Securities the Reference Obligations of which are such loans. See "Security for the Notes and the Composite Securities—Collateral Obligations."

Loans may become non-performing for a variety of reasons. Non-performing loans may require substantial workout negotiations or restructuring that may entail, among other things, a substantial reduction in the interest rate or a substantial write-down of the principal of a loan. In addition, because of the unique and customized nature of a loan agreement and the private syndication of a loan, loans typically may not be purchased or sold as easily as publicly traded securities, and historically the trading volume in the bank term loan market has been small relative to the corporate bond market. Loans may encounter trading delays due to their unique and customized nature, and transfers may require the consent of an agent bank or borrower.

Investments in loans are also subject to interest rate risk and reinvestment risk. Prepayments of loans in the Issuer's portfolio are likely to be made during any period of declining interest rates. Prepayments would force the Issuer to replace the loans with lower-yielding investments.

The Issuer may acquire interests in loans either directly (by assignment) or indirectly (by Participation or through Synthetic Securities). The Issuer may not originate any loans. The purchaser of an assignment of a loan obligation typically succeeds to all the rights and obligations of the selling institution and becomes a lender under the loan or credit agreement with respect to the debt obligation. In contrast, a Participation acquired by the Issuer in a portion of a loan obligation held by a Participating Institution or a security or other debt obligation typically results in a contractual relationship only with the Participating Institution, not with the borrower. The Issuer would have the right to receive payments of principal, interest, and any fees to which it is entitled under a Participation only from the Participating

Institution and only upon receipt by the Participating Institution of those payments from the borrower. The Issuer will be subject to restrictions on the amount of Participations that may be acquired for inclusion in the Collateral. See "Security for the Notes and the Composite Securities—Eligibility Criteria."

Certain of the loans in the Issuer's portfolio may be unsecured or secured by collateral worth less than the outstanding balance of the loan. In addition to the general risks associated with loans described above, unsecured loans will not be secured by substantial collateral or any collateral and secured loans may be substantially under-secured. Without collateral and with materially inadequate collateral, the ability of the holder of the loan to recover amounts due from the borrower may be substantially limited.

*Investing in Below Investment-Grade Obligations Involves Particular Risks, as Does Investing in Investment-Grade Obligations*

A substantial amount of the Collateral Obligations will consist of loans, bonds and other obligations that are below investment grade, including high-yield loans and securities. Those Collateral Obligations will have greater credit and liquidity risk than investment grade obligations. They are also often unsecured and may be subordinated to certain other obligations of their issuer. The lower rating of those Collateral Obligations reflects a greater possibility that adverse changes in the financial condition of an issuer or in general economic conditions or both may impair the ability of their issuer to make payments of principal or interest. These Collateral Obligations may be speculative.

Risks of below investment-grade Collateral Obligations may include (among others):

- (i) limited liquidity and secondary market support;
- (ii) in the case of fixed-rate high-yield debt securities, substantial market place volatility resulting from changes in prevailing interest rates;
- (iii) subordination to the prior claims of senior lenders and creditors;
- (iv) the operation of mandatory sinking fund or call and redemption provisions during periods of declining interest rates that could cause the Issuer to reinvest premature redemption proceeds in lower-yielding debt obligations;
- (v) the possibility that earnings of the below investment-grade issuer may be insufficient to meet its debt service; and
- (vi) the declining creditworthiness and potential for insolvency of a below investment-grade issuer during periods of rising interest rates and economic downturn.

An economic downturn or an increase in interest rates could severely disrupt the market for below investment-grade obligations and could adversely affect the value of outstanding below investment-grade obligations and the ability of their issuers to repay principal and interest.

Issuers that are below investment grade may be highly leveraged and may not have available to them more traditional methods of financing. The risk associated with obligations of below investment-grade issuers is generally greater than is the case with investment grade issuers. For example, during an economic downturn or a sustained period of rising interest rates, below investment-grade issuers may be more likely to experience financial stress, especially if they are highly leveraged. During those periods, timely service of debt obligations may also be adversely affected by specific issuer developments, or the issuer's inability to meet specific projected business forecasts or the unavailability of additional financing. The risk of loss from default by the issuer is significantly greater for the holders of below investment-grade obligations because those obligations may be unsecured and may be subordinated to obligations

owed to other creditors of the issuer. In addition, the Issuer may incur additional expenses to the extent it is required to seek recovery upon a default on such an obligation or participate in its restructuring.

As a result of the limited liquidity of below investment-grade obligations, their prices have at times experienced significant and rapid decline when a substantial number of holders decided to sell. In addition, the Issuer may have difficulty disposing of certain below investment-grade obligations because there may be a thin trading market for them. To the extent that a secondary trading market for below investment-grade obligations does exist, it is generally not as liquid as the secondary market for highly rated obligations. Reduced secondary market liquidity may have an adverse impact on the Issuer's ability to dispose of particular Collateral Obligations in response to a specific economic event, such as a deterioration in the creditworthiness of the issuer of the Collateral Obligation.

In addition, a portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of Dollar-denominated investment-grade debt obligations. Those Collateral Obligations have higher ratings than high-yield debt securities, but they are subject to many risks similar to the foregoing, in varying degrees depending on the circumstances.

#### *Investing in Structured Finance Obligations Involves Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of Structured Finance Obligations and Synthetic Securities the Reference Obligations of which are Loans, Structured Finance Obligations or High-Yield Bonds. Structured Finance Obligations may present risks similar to those of the other types of Collateral Obligations in which the Issuer may invest and, in fact, the risks may be of greater significance in the case of Structured Finance Obligations. Moreover, investing in Structured Finance Obligations may entail a variety of unique risks. Among other risks, Structured Finance Obligations may be subject to prepayment risk, credit risk, liquidity risk, market risk, structural risk, legal risk and interest rate risk (which may be exacerbated if the interest rate payable on a Structured Finance Obligation changes based on multiples of changes in interest rates or inversely to changes in interest rates). In addition, certain Structured Finance Obligations (particularly subordinated collateralized bond obligations) may provide that non-payment of interest is not an event of default in certain circumstances and the holders of the securities will therefore not have available to them any associated default remedies. During the period of non-payment, unpaid interest will generally be capitalized and added to the outstanding principal balance of the related security. Furthermore, the performance of a Structured Finance Obligation will be affected by a variety of factors, including its priority in the capital structure of its issuer the availability of any credit enhancement, the level and timing of payments and recoveries on and the characteristics of the underlying receivables, loans, or other assets that are being securitized, bankruptcy remoteness of those assets from the originator or transferor, the adequacy of and ability to realize on any related collateral, and the skill of the manager of the Structured Finance Obligation in managing securitized assets. The price of a Structured Finance Obligation, if required to be sold, may be subject to certain market and liquidity risks for securities of its type at the time of sale. In addition, Structured Finance Obligations may involve initial and ongoing expenses above the costs associated with the related direct investments.

#### *Investing in Synthetic Securities Involves Particular Risks*

As described above, a portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of Synthetic Securities the Reference Obligations of which are Loans, Structured Finance Obligations, or High-Yield Bonds. Investments in these types of assets through the purchase of Synthetic Securities present risks in addition to those inherently associated with direct purchases of such assets. With respect to Synthetic Securities, the Issuer will usually have a contractual relationship only with the counterparty of the Synthetic Security, and not the reference obligor on the Reference Obligation. The Issuer will have no right to enforce compliance by the reference obligor with the Reference Obligation nor any rights of set-off against the reference obligor, nor have any voting or other consensual rights of ownership with respect to the Reference Obligation. The Issuer will not directly benefit from any collateral supporting the Reference

Obligation and will not have the benefit of the remedies that would normally be available to a holder of the Reference Obligation.

In addition, in the event of the insolvency of the Synthetic Security Counterparty, the Issuer will be treated as a general creditor of the counterparty and will not have any claim of title with respect to the Reference Obligation. Consequently, the Issuer will be subject to the credit risk of the counterparty as well as that of the reference obligor and concentrations of Synthetic Securities entered into with any one counterparty will subject the Securities to an additional degree of risk with respect to defaults by that counterparty. One or more affiliates of the Initial Purchaser may act as counterparty with respect to all or a portion of the Synthetic Securities, which relationship may create certain conflicts of interest. See "—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Initial Purchaser" below. In addition, Synthetic Securities may involve initial and ongoing expenses above the costs associated with the related direct investments. The Issuer will be subject to restrictions on the amount of Synthetic Securities it may own at any one time.

*Many of the Collateral Obligations Will Be Illiquid*

Many of the Collateral Obligations purchased by the Issuer will have no, or only a limited, trading market. The Issuer's investment in illiquid Collateral Obligations may restrict its ability to dispose of investments in a timely fashion and for a fair price, as well as its ability to take advantage of market opportunities, although the Issuer is generally prohibited by the Indenture from selling Collateral Obligations except under certain limited circumstances described under "Security for the Notes and the Composite Securities—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Reinvestment of Principal Proceeds and Reinvestment Criteria." Illiquid Collateral Obligations may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid investments. In addition, the Issuer may invest in privately placed Collateral Obligations that may or may not be freely transferable under the laws of the applicable jurisdiction or due to contractual restrictions on resale, and even if those privately placed Collateral Obligations are transferable, the prices realized from their sale could be less than those originally paid by the Issuer or less than what may be considered their fair value.

*Insolvency Considerations With Respect to Issuers of Collateral Obligations May Affect the Issuer's Rights*

Various laws enacted for the protection of creditors may apply to the Collateral Obligations. If, in a lawsuit brought by a creditor or representative of creditors of an obligor under a Collateral Obligation (such as a trustee in bankruptcy), a court were to find that the obligor did not receive fair consideration or reasonably equivalent value for incurring the indebtedness evidenced by the Collateral Obligation and, after giving effect to the indebtedness and the use of the proceeds thereof, the obligor (i) was insolvent, (ii) was engaged in a business for which the remaining assets of the obligor constituted unreasonably small capital or (iii) intended to incur, or believed that it would incur, debts beyond its ability to pay them as they mature, the court could determine to invalidate, in whole or in part, the indebtedness as a fraudulent conveyance, to subordinate the indebtedness to existing or future creditors of the obligor, or to recover amounts previously paid by the obligor in satisfaction of the indebtedness. There can be no assurance as to what standard a court would apply to determine whether the obligor was "insolvent" or that, regardless of the method of valuation, a court would not determine that the obligor was "insolvent," in each case, after giving effect to the incurrence of the Collateral Obligation and the use of its proceeds. In addition, in the event of the insolvency of an obligor under a Collateral Obligation, payments made on the Collateral Obligation may be subject to avoidance as a "preference" if made within a certain period before insolvency (which may be as long as approximately one year).

In general, if payments on a Collateral Obligation are avoidable, whether as fraudulent conveyances or preferences, the payments can be recaptured either from the initial recipient (such as the Issuer) or from subsequent transferees of the payments (such as the Holders of the Securities). To the extent that any payments are recaptured from the Issuer, the resulting reduction in payments on the

Securities will be borne by the Holders of the applicable Class of Securities (except in the case of the Insured Notes, to the extent not paid from the Policy). A court in a bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding would be able to direct the recapture of any payment from a Holder of the Securities to the extent that the court has jurisdiction over the Holder or its assets. Since there is no judicial precedent relating to structured securities such as the Securities, there can be no assurance that a Holder of Securities will be able to avoid recapture on this basis.

The preceding discussion is based on principles of United States federal and state laws. Insofar as Collateral Obligations that are obligations of non-United States obligors are concerned, the laws of certain foreign jurisdictions may provide for avoidance remedies under factual circumstances similar to, or broader or narrower than, those described above, with consequences that may or may not be analogous to those described above under United States federal and state laws.

*International Investing Involves Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of obligations of obligors Domiciled outside the United States. Investing outside the United States may involve greater risks than investing in the United States. These risks may include: less publicly available information; varying levels of governmental regulation and supervision; and the difficulty of enforcing legal rights in a foreign jurisdiction and uncertainties as to the status, interpretation and application of laws. Moreover, foreign companies may be subject to accounting, auditing, and financial reporting standards, practices, and requirements different from those applicable to U.S. companies.

There generally is less governmental supervision and regulation of exchanges, brokers and issuers in foreign countries than there is in the United States. For example, there may be no comparable provisions under certain foreign laws with respect to insider trading and similar investor protection securities laws that apply with respect to securities transactions consummated in the United States.

Foreign markets also have different clearance and settlement procedures, and in certain markets there have been times when settlements have failed to keep pace with the volume of securities transactions, making it difficult to conduct transactions. Delays in settlement could result in periods when assets of the Issuer are uninvested and no return is earned on them. The inability of the Issuer to make intended purchases of Collateral Obligations due to settlement problems or the risk of intermediary counterparty failures could cause the Issuer to miss investment opportunities. The inability to dispose of a Collateral Obligation due to settlement problems could result either in losses to the Issuer due to subsequent declines in the value of the Collateral Obligation or, if the Issuer has entered into a contract to sell the security, could result in possible liability to the purchaser. Transaction costs of buying and selling foreign securities, including brokerage, tax, and custody costs, also are generally higher than those involved in domestic transactions. Furthermore, foreign financial markets, while generally growing in volume, have, for the most part, substantially less volume than U.S. markets, and securities of many foreign companies are less liquid and their prices more volatile than securities of comparable domestic companies.

In certain foreign countries there is the possibility of expropriation, nationalization, or confiscatory taxation; limitations on the convertibility of currency or the removal of securities, property, or other assets of the Issuer; political, economic, or social instability; or adverse diplomatic developments, each of which could have an adverse effect on the Issuer's investments in the foreign countries (which may make it more difficult to pay Dollar-denominated obligations such as the Collateral Obligations). The economies of individual non-U.S. countries may also differ favorably or unfavorably from the U.S. economy in such respects as growth of gross domestic product, rate of inflation, volatility of currency exchange rates, depreciation, capital reinvestment, resource self-sufficiency and balance of payments position.

*Lender Liability Considerations and Equitable Subordination Can Affect the Issuer's Rights with Respect to Collateral Obligations*

In recent years, a number of judicial decisions in the United States have upheld the right of borrowers to sue lenders and bondholders on the basis of various evolving legal theories (collectively termed "**lender liability**"). Generally, lender liability is founded on the premise that a lender has violated a duty (whether implied or contractual) of good faith and fair dealing owed to the debtor or has assumed a degree of control over the debtor resulting in the creation of a fiduciary duty owed to the debtor or its other creditors or shareholders. Because of the nature of the Collateral Obligations, the Issuer may be subject to allegations of lender liability. In addition, under common law principles that in some cases form the basis for lender liability claims, a court may elect to subordinate the claim of the offending lender to the claims of the disadvantaged creditors, a remedy called "equitable subordination," if a lender: (i) intentionally takes an action that results in the undercapitalization of a borrower to the detriment of other creditors of the borrower; (ii) engages in other inequitable conduct to the detriment of the other creditors; (iii) engages in fraud with respect to, or makes misrepresentations to, the other creditors; or (iv) uses its influence as a lender to dominate or control a borrower to the detriment of other creditors of the borrower.

Because the Collateral Obligations are primarily Loans, the Issuer may be subject to claims from creditors of an obligor that Collateral Obligations issued by the obligor that are held by the Issuer should be equitably subordinated. However, the Portfolio Manager does not intend to engage in conduct that would form the basis for a successful cause of action based on lender liability or the equitable subordination doctrine. Nonetheless, no assurances can be given that actions taken in good faith by the Portfolio Manager will not result in losses to issuers of Collateral Obligations, and that the Issuer will not be liable for any such losses. Furthermore, the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager may be unable to control the conduct of lenders under a loan syndication agreement requiring less than a unanimous vote, yet the Issuer may be subject to lender liability or equitable subordination for such conduct.

The preceding discussion is based on principles of United States federal and state laws. Insofar as Collateral Obligations that are obligations of non-United States obligors are concerned, the laws of certain foreign jurisdictions may impose liability on lenders or bondholders under factual circumstances similar to, or broader or narrower than, those described above, with consequences that may or may not be analogous to those described above under United States federal and state laws.

*Securities May Be Affected by Interest Rate Risks, Including Mismatches Between the Notes and the Collateral Obligations*

The Notes (other than the Fixed Rate Notes) bear interest at a rate based on LIBOR as determined on the second Business Day prior to the first day of the relevant Interest Period and the Fixed Rate Notes bear interest at a fixed rate. The Collateral Obligations will consist primarily of obligations that bear interest at floating rates, which floating rates may be different than the floating rates on the Floating Rate Notes. Accordingly, the Notes are subject to interest rate risk to the extent that there is a fixed/floating interest rate mismatch between the rates at which interest accrues on the Notes and the rates at which interest accrues on the Collateral. In addition, there may be a timing mismatch between the Floating Rate Notes and the Floating Rate Obligations as the interest on the Floating Rate Obligations may adjust more or less frequently, on different dates and based on different indices than the interest rates on the Floating Rate Notes. Furthermore, any payments of principal of or interest on Collateral received during a Due Period will (except to a limited extent specified in the Indenture) be reinvested in Eligible Investments maturing not later than the Business Day immediately preceding the next Payment Date. There is no requirement that Eligible Investments bear interest at LIBOR or a similar rate, and the interest rates available for Eligible Investments are inherently uncertain. As a result of these mismatches, an increase or decrease in LIBOR for the relevant maturity could adversely affect the ability of the Issuer to make interest payments on the Notes (including due to a rise or a decline in the value of previously issued Collateral Obligations or other Collateral that bear interest at a fixed rate as LIBOR decreases or

increases, as applicable) and to make distributions or final distributions on the Preference Shares. To mitigate a portion of the interest rate mismatch, the Issuer may enter into Hedge Agreements that are (in the case of Hedge Agreements entered into after the Closing Date) subject to a Rating Confirmation. However, there can be no assurance that the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, together with the Hedge Agreements, will in all circumstances generate sufficient Interest Proceeds to make timely payments of interest on the Notes. Moreover, the benefits of any Hedge Agreements may not be achieved in the event of the early termination of the Hedge Agreements, including termination upon the failure of the related Hedge Counterparty to perform its obligations under the Hedge Agreement. See "Security for the Notes and the Composite Securities—Hedge Agreements."

The Portfolio Manager may direct the Issuer to reduce the notional amount of, or otherwise adjust the terms of, any Hedge Agreement outstanding at any time, subject, in the case of any reduction or adjustment made on or after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, to obtaining a Rating Confirmation.

*Changes in Tax Law Could Result in the Imposition of Withholding Taxes with Respect to Payments on the Collateral Obligations, and the Obligors on the Collateral Obligations Will Not Gross-Up Payments to the Issuers*

A Collateral Obligation will be eligible for purchase by the Issuer if, at the time it is purchased, either no payments of principal, premium, if any, or interest thereon are subject to withholding taxes imposed by any jurisdiction or the obligor is required to make "gross-up" payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding taxes on an after-tax basis. In the case of Collateral Obligations issued by U.S. obligors after July 18, 1984, payments thereon generally are exempt under current United States federal income tax law from the imposition of United States federal withholding tax. See "Income Tax Considerations—Tax Treatment of the Issuer—United States Withholding Taxes." However, there can be no assurance that, as a result of any change in any applicable law, treaty, rule or regulation or interpretation thereof, the payments on the Collateral Obligations would not in the future become subject to withholding taxes imposed by the United States or another jurisdiction. In that event, if the obligors of such Collateral Obligations were not then required to make "gross-up" payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding taxes, the amounts available to make payments on the Securities would accordingly be reduced. There can be no assurance that remaining payments on the Collateral would be sufficient to make timely payments of interest on and payment of principal at the Stated Maturity of each Class of the Notes and payment of dividends or other distributions to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, the Notes shall be redeemable at the applicable Redemption Price, in whole, but not in part, by the Issuer at the written direction of the Holders of at least 63% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares, as described under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption."

*The Issuer Has the Right to Engage in Securities Lending, which Involves Counterparty Risks and Other Risks*

The Collateral Obligations may be loaned for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) that have, or are guaranteed by entities that have, long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or a guarantor with those ratings at the time of the loan, of at least "A1" (and not "A1" but on credit watch with negative implications) and "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A" from S&P. See "Security for the Notes and the Composite Securities—Securities Lending." The loans must be secured by cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America, in an amount at least equal to 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value of the loaned Collateral Obligations, determined on a daily basis. However, if the borrower of a loaned Collateral Obligation defaults on its obligation to return the loaned Collateral Obligation because of insolvency or otherwise, the Issuer could experience delays and costs in gaining access to the collateral posted by the

borrower (and in extreme circumstances could be restricted from selling the collateral). If the borrower defaults, the Issuer could suffer a loss to the extent that the realized value of the cash or securities securing the obligation of the borrower to return a loaned Collateral Obligation (less expenses) is less than the amount required to purchase the Collateral Obligation in the open market. This shortfall could be due to, among other factors, discrepancies between the mark-to-market and actual transaction prices for the

loaned Collateral Obligations arising from limited liquidity or availability of the loaned Collateral Obligations and, in extreme circumstances, the loaned Collateral Obligations being unavailable at any price.

The Rating Agencies may downgrade any of the Notes or Composite Securities if a borrower of a Collateral Obligation or, if applicable, the entity guaranteeing the performance of the borrower has been downgraded by one of the Rating Agencies such that the Issuer is not in compliance with the Securities Lending Counterparty rating requirements. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser or Affiliates of the Portfolio Manager, which may create certain conflicts of interest. See "—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Portfolio Manager" and—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Initial Purchaser" below.

*There Is Limited Disclosure About the Collateral Obligations in this Offering Circular*

A substantial portion of the initial portfolio of Collateral Obligations to be acquired before the Ramp-Up Completion Date has been identified by the Portfolio Manager but, for reasons of confidentiality, is not identified in this Offering Circular. Investors that regard the identity of the portfolio in whole or in part necessary or desirable for their investment decision need to consider the availability of that information other than through this Offering Circular.

The Issuer and the Portfolio Manager will not be required to provide the Holders of the Securities or the Trustee with financial or other information (which may include material non-public information) it receives pursuant to the Collateral Obligations and related documents. The Portfolio Manager also will not disclose to any of these parties the contents of any notice it receives pursuant to the Collateral Obligations or related documents. In particular, the Portfolio Manager will not have any obligation to keep any of these parties informed as to matters arising in relation to any Collateral Obligations, except with respect to: (i) the receipt or non-receipt, on an aggregate basis, of principal, interest, or other amounts of collections or recoveries; (ii) the cancellation of any Collateral Obligations; (iii) default amounts in respect of the Collateral Obligations; and (iv) certain other information required to be reported under the Management Agreement and the Indenture.

The Holders of the Securities and the Trustee will not have any right to inspect any records relating to the Collateral Obligations, and the Portfolio Manager will not be obligated to disclose any further information or evidence regarding the existence or terms of, or the identity of any obligor on, any Collateral Obligations, unless specifically required by the Management Agreement. Furthermore, the Portfolio Manager and the Trustee may demand that any persons requesting that information execute confidentiality agreements before being provided with the information.

*A Substantial Amount of Collateral Obligations Was Acquired Before the Closing Date, and the Terms of the Acquisition May Adversely Affect the Issuer*

In anticipation of the issuance of the Securities, the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association (in that capacity, the "**Warehouse Provider**") entered into an agreement (the "**Warehouse Agreement**") pursuant to which:



- (i) the Portfolio Manager has agreed to manage, on behalf of the Issuer, the selection of certain Loans and other obligations to be acquired by the Issuer before the Closing Date (the "**Warehoused Loans**");
- (ii) the Warehouse Provider has agreed to acquire a 100% participation in each Warehoused Loan concurrently with its acquisition by the Issuer, for a purchase price equal to the purchase price paid by the Issuer for the related Warehoused Loan; and
- (iii) the Portfolio Manager and the Warehouse Provider have agreed to share the economic return on, and assume certain risks (including risks associated with defaults affecting the Warehoused Loans) in respect of, the Warehoused Loans for the period prior to the Closing Date in the specified percentages set forth in the Warehouse Agreement.

On the Closing Date, the Issuer and the Warehouse Provider will terminate the participations in the Warehoused Loans (with any Warehoused Loans that would not satisfy the "Warehousing Eligibility Criteria" applicable at the Closing Date being sold by the Issuer). Generally, the price to be paid by the Issuer to the Warehouse Provider in connection with the termination of the participation in a Warehoused Loan will reflect the price originally paid by the Issuer to acquire the Warehoused Loan (although that price may not reflect the market value of the Warehoused Loan on the Closing Date), *plus* the amount of extensions of credit in respect of certain Warehoused Loans, *minus* the aggregate amount of payments of principal received by the Warehouse Provider in respect of such Warehoused Loans (excluding the amount of any such payment that was required to be repaid or returned by the Warehouse Provider by claw-back or otherwise), *plus* all accrued and unpaid interest and fees on the Warehoused Loan.

### **Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest**

#### *In General, the Transaction Will Involve Various Potential and Actual Conflicts of Interest*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise from the overall advisory, investment, and other activities of the Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates and from the conduct by the Initial Purchaser and its respective Affiliates of other transactions with the Issuer, including acting as counterparty with respect to Hedge Agreements, Securities Lending Agreements, and Synthetic Securities. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

#### *The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Portfolio Manager*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise for the Portfolio Manager with respect to its obligations to the Issuer from the overall investment activities of the Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates, for the accounts of its other clients. For example, the Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates and their respective clients may invest in loans, securities, and other obligations that would be appropriate for inclusion in the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations, as well as in loans, securities, and other obligations that are senior to, or have interests different from or adverse to, the loans and or other investments that are pledged to secure the Notes. Furthermore, Affiliates of the Portfolio Manager may serve as general partners or managers of special-purpose entities organized to issue other collateralized loan obligations ("**CLOs**") secured primarily by corporate loans and collateralized debt obligations ("**CDOs**") secured by corporate debt obligations. The Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates may also have ongoing relationships with, render services to, or engage in transactions with, companies whose loan obligations or securities are pledged to secure the Notes and may now or in the future own (as portfolio investments or otherwise) loan obligations or equity or debt securities issued by issuers of or obligors on, Collateral Obligations or other Collateral.

The Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates may possess information relating to issuers of Collateral Obligations or other Collateral that (i) may constrain the Issuer's investments as a consequence of the

Portfolio Manager's inability to use such information for advisory purposes or otherwise to take actions that would be in the best of interests of the Issuer or (ii) is not known to the employees of the Portfolio Manager responsible for monitoring the Collateral and performing the other obligations of the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement. The Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates and their respective clients may at certain times be simultaneously seeking to purchase or dispose of investments for the respective accounts of the Issuer, any similar entity for which it serves as manager or advisor, and for its clients or Affiliates.

Neither the Portfolio Manager nor any of its Affiliates has any affirmative obligation to offer any investments to the Issuer or to inform the Issuer of any investments before offering any investments to other funds or accounts that the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates manage or advise. Furthermore, the Portfolio Manager may be bound by affirmative obligations in the future, whereby the Portfolio Manager is obligated to offer certain investments to funds or accounts that it manages or advises before or without the Portfolio Manager offering those investments to the Issuer.

The Portfolio Manager will endeavor to resolve conflicts with respect to investment opportunities in a manner that it deems equitable to the extent possible under the prevailing facts and circumstances. Further, the Portfolio Manager will be prohibited under the Management Agreement from directing the acquisition of Collateral Obligations from, or the disposition of Collateral Obligations to, its Affiliates or any other account managed by the Portfolio Manager except in a transaction conducted on an arm's-length basis for fair market value and if the Portfolio Manager has complied with its policies and procedures with respect to the acquisition or disposition and the acquisition or disposition otherwise complies with the requirements of the United States Investment Advisers Act of 1940.

The Portfolio Manager currently serves as the portfolio manager for a number of special purpose vehicles that have issued securities secured by or referencing collateral consisting of assets similar to the Collateral Obligations, which may create conflicts in allocating its time and services among the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager's other accounts.

Upon the removal or resignation of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer, at the written direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, may appoint a replacement Portfolio Manager if a Majority of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single Class (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates)) each Class of the Notes do not object to the replacement Portfolio Manager. See "The Management Agreement." Securities held by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates will have no voting rights with respect to any vote in connection with removal of the Portfolio Manager for "cause" and will be deemed not to be outstanding in connection with any vote to remove the Portfolio Manager for "cause." Securities held by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates will have voting rights with respect to all other matters as to which the Holders of the Securities are entitled to vote, including any vote to direct an Optional Redemption and any vote to appoint a replacement Portfolio Manager in accordance with the Management Agreement. See "The Management Agreement" and "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption." The Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates may own equity or other securities of issuers of or obligors on Collateral Obligations or other Collateral and may have provided and may provide in the future, advisory and other services to issuers of Collateral.

The Issuer expects to acquire substantially all of the Collateral Obligations to be acquired by the Closing Date during an accumulation period before the Closing Date (the "**Accumulation Period**") and will finance those purchases with financing provided by the Warehouse Provider, which is an affiliate of the Initial Purchaser. The Issuer will be required to repurchase the participations providing that financing by the Closing Date with the proceeds of the issuance of the Securities. The Collateral Obligations purchased before the Closing Date will be chosen by the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer, subject to certain rights of the Warehouse Provider. Any interest accrued on Collateral Obligations purchased by the Issuer before the Closing Date will be paid to the Warehouse Provider and the Portfolio Manager in the specified percentages provided in the Warehouse Agreement. As a result, investors in the

Securities will be assuming the risk of market value and credit quality changes in the Collateral Obligations from the date the Collateral Obligations are acquired during the Accumulation Period but will not receive the benefit of interest earned on the Collateral Obligations during that period.

On the Closing Date, the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates are expected to purchase Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$13,200,000. The Portfolio Manager will be entitled to receive the Senior Management Fee, the Subordinated Management Fee and the Incentive Management Fee, as further described herein. The structure of such fees may cause the Portfolio Manager to direct the Issuer to make more speculative investments in Collateral Obligations than it would otherwise make in the absence of such performance based compensation. The Portfolio Manager expects to borrow funds from a JPMorgan Company for a portion of the purchase price of the Preference Shares acquired by it and will pledge all such Preference Shares (including rights to the distributions thereon) as well as the Portfolio Manager's right to the Senior Management Fee and Subordinated Management Fee as collateral for such loan. The reliance by the Portfolio Manager on distributions on the Preference Shares for repayment of such loan from such JPMorgan Company could create a conflict of interest with respect to the performance of the Portfolio Manager's obligations. In addition, as agreed in the Portfolio Management Agreement, Highland Capital and its Affiliates will, so long as Highland Capital or any of its Affiliates is acting as Portfolio Manager, maintain, in the aggregate, ownership of the aggregate Face Amount of Preference Shares described in "Summary of Terms—The Portfolio Manager." See "The Portfolio Management Agreement."

In addition, the Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates may act as the Securities Lending Counterparty under any Securities Lending Agreement entered into by the Issuer.

*The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Initial Purchaser*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise as a result of the investment banking, commercial banking, asset management, financing and financial advisory services and products provided by J.P. Morgan Chase & Co. and its Affiliates (including JPMorgan, JPMCB and their Affiliates, (each, a "**JPMorgan Company**" and together the "**JPMorgan Companies**")), to the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the issuers of the Collateral Obligations and others, as well as in connection with the investment, trading and brokerage activities of the JPMorgan Companies. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

JPMorgan will serve as Initial Purchaser for the Notes, the Composite Securities and a portion of the Preference Shares and will be paid fees and commissions for such service by the Issuer from the proceeds of the issuance of the Securities. One or more of the JPMorgan Companies may from time to time hold Securities for investment, trading or other purposes. JPMCB will serve as Trustee, Collateral Administrator, securities intermediary and Preference Shares Paying Agent and a JPMorgan Company will serve as the Irish listing and paying agent and both will be entitled to fees and expenses senior in payment on each Payment Date to payments on the Notes. The Issuer's purchase of Collateral Obligations that are loans prior to the Closing Date was financed through the sale of participation interests therein to JPMCB pursuant to the Warehousing Agreement. A portion of the proceeds of the offering of the Securities will be paid to JPMCB to repurchase such participation interests. The Issuer may have purchased and sold prior to the Closing Date, and may purchase or sell after the Closing Date, Collateral Obligations from, to or through, and purchase Synthetic Securities and enter into Hedge Agreements with, one or more of the JPMorgan Companies. Certain Eligible Investments may be issued, managed or underwritten by one or more of the JPMorgan Companies. One or more of the JPMorgan Companies may provide investment banking, commercial banking, asset management, financing and financial advisory services and products to the Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates, and funds managed by the Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates, and purchase, hold and sell, both for their respective accounts or for the account of their respective clients, on a principal or agency basis, loans, securities, and other obligations and financial instruments of the Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates, and funds managed by the Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates. As a result of such transactions or arrangements, one or more of the

JPMorgan Companies may have interests adverse to those of the Issuer and Holders of the Notes, Composite Securities and Preference Shares.

One or more of the JPMorgan Companies may:

- have placed or underwritten, or acted as a financial arranger, structuring agent or advisor in connection with the original issuance of, or may act as a broker or dealer with respect to, certain of the Collateral Obligations;
- act as trustee, paying agent and in other capacities in connection with certain of the Collateral Obligations or other classes of securities issued by an issuer of a Collateral Obligation or an Affiliate thereof;
- be a counterparty to issuers of certain of the Collateral Obligations under swap or other derivative agreements;
- lend to certain of the issuers of Collateral Obligations or their respective Affiliates or receive guarantees from the issuers of those Collateral Obligations or their respective Affiliates;
- provide other investment banking, asset management, commercial banking, financing or financial advisory services to the issuers of Collateral Obligations or their respective Affiliates; or
- have an equity interest, which may be a substantial equity interest, in certain issuers of the Collateral Obligations or their respective Affiliates.

When acting as a trustee, paying agent or in other service capacities with respect to a Collateral Obligation, the JPMorgan Companies will be entitled to fees and expenses senior in priority to payments to such Collateral Obligation. When acting as a trustee for other classes of securities issued by the issuer of a Collateral Obligation or an Affiliate thereof, the JPMorgan Companies will owe fiduciary duties to the holders of such other classes of securities, which classes of securities may have differing interests from the holders of the class of securities of which the Collateral Obligation is a part, and may take actions that are adverse to the holders (including the Issuer) of the class of securities of which the Collateral Obligation is a part. As a counterparty under swaps and other derivative agreements, the JPMorgan Companies might take actions adverse to the interests of the Issuer, including, but not limited to, demanding collateralization of its exposure under such agreements (if provided for thereunder) or terminating such swaps or agreements in accordance with the terms thereof. In making and administering loans and other obligations, the JPMorgan Companies might take actions including, but not limited to, restructuring a loan, foreclosing on or exercising other remedies with respect to a loan, requiring additional collateral or other credit enhancement, charging significant fees and interest, placing the obligor in bankruptcy or demanding payment on a loan guarantee or under other credit enhancement. The Issuer's purchase, holding and sale of Collateral Obligations may enhance the profitability or value of investments made by the JPMorgan Companies in the issuers thereof. As a result of all such transactions or arrangements between the JPMorgan Companies and issuers of Collateral Obligations or their respective Affiliates, J.P. Morgan Chase & Co. may have interests that are contrary to the interests of the Issuer and the Holders of the Notes and Preference Shares.

As part of their regular business, the JPMorgan Companies may also provide investment banking, commercial banking, asset management, financing and financial advisory services and products to, and purchase, hold and sell, both for their respective accounts or for the account of their respective clients, on a principal or agency basis, loans, securities, and other obligations and financial instruments and engage in private equity investment activities. The JPMorgan Companies will not be restricted in their performance of any such services or in the types of debt or equity investments, which they may make. In

conducting the foregoing activities, the JPMorgan Companies will be acting for their own account or the account of their customers and will have no obligation to act in the interest of the Issuer.

The JPMorgan Companies may, by virtue of the relationships described above or otherwise, at the date hereof or at any time hereafter, be in possession of information regarding certain of the issuers of Collateral Obligations and their respective Affiliates, that is or may be material in the context of the Securities and that is or may not be known to the general public. None of the JPMorgan Companies has any obligation, and the offering of the Securities will not create any obligation on their part, to disclose to any purchaser of the Securities any such relationship or information, whether or not confidential.

## DESCRIPTION OF THE SECURITIES

The Notes and the Composite Securities will be issued pursuant to the Indenture. The terms of the Preference Shares are contained in the Issuer Charter and in certain resolutions adopted by the Issuer's Board of Directors on or before the Closing Date authorizing and approving the issuance of the Securities, as reflected in the minutes thereof (the "**Resolutions**" and, together with the Issuer Charter and the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the "**Preference Share Documents**"). The following summary describes certain provisions of the Notes, the Composite Securities, the Preference Shares, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. Copies of the Indenture may be obtained by prospective purchasers upon request in writing to the Trustee at the Corporate Trust Office, 600 Travis Street, 50<sup>th</sup> Floor, Houston, Texas 77002, Attention: Institutional Trust Services—Southfork CLO Ltd., and will be available at the office of JP Morgan Bank (Ireland) PLC (in such capacity, the "**Irish Paying and Listing Agent**") in the City of Dublin. Copies of the Preference Share Documents may be obtained upon request in writing to the Administrator at P.O. Box 1093 GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, Attention: Southfork CLO Ltd.

### Status and Security

The Notes are non-recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuers. The Composite Securities are limited recourse obligations of the Issuer, secured as described in this Offering Circular. Each Note within a Class will rank *pari passu* with all other Notes of that Class (with the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes being treated as separate Classes). Under the Indenture, the Issuer will grant to the Trustee a first-priority security interest in the Collateral to secure the Issuer's obligations under the Indenture, the Notes, the Composite Securities, the Insurance Documents, the Hedge Agreements and the Management Agreement (collectively, the "**Secured Obligations**"). The Notes are payable solely from amounts received in respect of the Collateral pledged by the Issuer to secure the Notes which includes, solely for the benefit of the Class A-1g Notes, amounts available under the Policy with respect to Insured Amounts. The Composite Securities are payable solely from amounts received in respect of the Collateral and the Class 1 Collateral, pledged by the Issuer to secure the Notes and the Composite Securities. If the amounts received in respect of the Collateral and the Class 1 Collateral (net of certain expenses) are insufficient to make payments on the Secured Obligations and, solely in the case of the Class 1 Collateral, the Composite Securities, in accordance with the Priority of Payments, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and, following liquidation of all the Collateral and the Class 1 Collateral, the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, to pay the deficiency will be extinguished.

The Preference Shares are entitled only to proceeds of the Collateral to the extent that any Sales Proceeds are remaining on any Payment Date after payment of all interest and principal payable on each Class of Notes on that Payment Date and the satisfaction of certain other amounts payable in accordance with the Priority of Payments (*provided* that payments in respect of the Preference Share Components will be made on the Composite Securities Payment Date).

In furtherance of the priorities of payments among the Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares, the Indenture contains express subordination provisions pursuant to which the Holders of each Class of Notes that is a Junior Class as described below agree for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class and (in the case of the Class A-1g Notes) the Insurer with respect to the Junior Class that the Junior Class shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes of each Priority Class to the extent and in the manner provided in the Indenture.

If any Event of Default has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs under and in accordance with the Indenture, each Priority Class of Notes and all amounts owed by the Issuer to the Insurer under the Indenture or the Insurance Agreement shall be paid in full in cash (without giving effect to payments on the Policy) or, to the extent a Majority of the Class consents, other than in cash, before any further payment or distribution is made on account of any Junior Class of Notes with respect to the Priority Class. The Holders of each Junior Class of Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class and (in the case of the Class A-1g Notes) the Insurer in respect of the Junior Class, not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for failure to pay to them amounts due to the Junior Class, of the Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or under the Indenture until the payment in full of the Priority Classes or all the Classes, as the case may be, and all amounts owed by the Issuer to the Insurer under the Indenture or the Insurance Agreement, and not before one year and a day, or if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, has elapsed since the payment.

For purposes of this provision, with respect to each Class of Notes, the Classes of Notes that are Priority Classes and Junior Classes are as follows:

<b>Class</b>	<b>Junior Classes</b>	<b>Priority Classes</b>
Senior Class A	A-2, A-3, B, C, Preference Shares	None
A-2	A-3, B, C, Preference Shares	Senior Class A
A-3	B, C, Preference Shares	Senior Class A, A-2
B	C, Preference Shares	Senior Class A, A-2, A-3
C	Preference Shares	Senior Class A, A-2, A-3, B
Preference Shares	None*	Senior Class A, A-2, A-3, B, C

\*The Preference Shares will be entitled to certain residual cashflow after payment of senior obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

If, notwithstanding the provisions of the Indenture, any Holder of Notes of any Junior Class has received any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes contrary to the provisions of the Indenture, then, until each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class of Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, and the Insurer has been paid in full in cash or, to the extent a Majority of the Priority Class or the Class, as the case may be, consents, other than in cash in accordance with the Indenture, the payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, which shall pay and deliver the same to the Holders of the applicable Priority Classes of Notes or the Holders of all Classes of Notes, as the case may be, and the Insurer in accordance with the Indenture. If any such payment or distribution is made other than in cash, it shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and subject in all respects to the Indenture.

Each Holder of Notes of any Junior Class agrees with all Holders of the applicable Priority Classes and the Insurer that the Holder of Junior Class Notes shall not demand, accept, or receive any

payment or distribution in respect of the Notes in violation of the Indenture. After a Priority Class and the Insurer has been paid in full, the Holders of the related Junior Class or Classes shall be fully subrogated to the rights of the Holders of the Priority Class and the Insurer. Nothing in these provisions shall affect the obligation of the Issuer to pay Holders of any Junior Class of Notes.

Distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares are subordinate to distributions on the Notes and Preference Shares as described in the Priority of Payments.

The Management Fees shall have priority only to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

For purposes of subordination, the Composite Securities shall not be treated as a separate Class, but the Preference Share Component shall be treated as forming a part of the Preference Shares.

### **Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Preference Shares from Interest Proceeds**

The Notes of each Class will accrue interest during each Interest Period on their Aggregate Outstanding Amount (determined as of the first day of the Interest Period and after giving effect to any redemption or other payment of principal occurring on that day) at the applicable per annum interest rates for each such Class (the "**Note Interest Rate**") equal to (i) in the case of the Notes (other than the Fixed Rate Notes), LIBOR for Eurodollar deposits for the applicable Interest Period *plus* the spread, as specified above under "Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities" and (ii) in the case of the Fixed Rate Notes, as specified above under "Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities." Interest shall be payable in arrears on each Payment Date. Interest accrued shall be calculated (i) in the case of the Notes (other than the Fixed Rate Notes) on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in the applicable Interest Period *divided by* 360 and (ii) in the case of the Fixed Rate Notes on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months. Payment of interest on each Class of Notes shall be subordinated to the payments of interest on the related Priority Classes and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments. If on any Payment Date the amount of available Interest Proceeds is not sufficient for the payment in full of accrued and unpaid interest on the Senior Class A Notes, accrued and unpaid Premium and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-1g Notes shall be subordinated to the payments of Premium to the extent provided in clause (5)(A) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds."

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of Deferred Interest in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered "payable" for the purposes of the Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for the Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest), until paid.

Interest shall cease to accrue on each Note, or in the case of a partial repayment, on the part repaid, from the date of repayment or the respective Stated Maturity unless payment of principal is improperly withheld or unless there is some other default with respect to the payments of principal.

On each Payment Date (or, with respect to the Preference Share Components, the Composite Securities Payment Date), the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Interest Proceeds

as described under clauses (18), (21) and (23) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds."

For purposes of calculating interest on each Class of Notes, the Issuer will initially appoint the Trustee as calculation agent (the Trustee in that capacity, and each successor calculation agent, the "**Calculation Agent**").

As soon as possible after 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period, but in no event later than 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the next Business Day, the Calculation Agent will calculate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes for the related Interest Period and the amount of interest for the Interest Period payable in respect of each \$100,000 in principal amount of each Class of Floating Rate Notes (in each case rounded to the nearest cent, with half a cent being rounded upward) on the related Payment Date and will communicate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes and the date of the next Payment Date to the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, each paying agent, Euroclear, Clearstream, the Depository, and (as long as the Securities (other than the Preference Shares) are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange) the Irish Stock Exchange.

The Calculation Agent may be removed by the Co-Issuers at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Co-Issuers or if the Calculation Agent fails to determine the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes or the amount of interest payable in respect of each Class of Floating Rate Notes for any Interest Period, the Issuer will promptly appoint as a replacement Calculation Agent a leading bank which is engaged in transactions in U.S. Dollar deposits in the international U.S. Dollar market and which does not control and is not controlled by or under common control with the Co-Issuers or any of their respective affiliates. The Calculation Agent may not resign its duties without a successor having been duly appointed. The determination of the Note Interest Rate with respect to each Class of Floating Rate Notes for each Interest Period by the Calculation Agent shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding upon all parties.

"**LIBOR**," determined by the Calculation Agent for any Interest Period, means the offered rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent, for three month Dollar deposits that appears on Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News (or a page that replaces Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), as of 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period.

If, on the second Business Day before the first day of any relevant Interest Period, that rate does not appear on Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Market Commodities News (or a page that replaces Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), the Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks to prime banks in the London interbank market for three month Dollar deposits in Europe, by reference to requests by the Calculation Agent to four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Portfolio Manager) (the "**Reference Banks**") for quotations as of approximately 11:00 A.M. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the Interest Period. If at least two of the Reference Banks provide quotations as requested, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean. If fewer than two Reference Banks provide quotations, LIBOR shall be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that leading banks in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Portfolio Manager) are quoting to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period for three month Dollar deposits.

If the Calculation Agent is unable to determine a rate in accordance with any of the above procedures, LIBOR for the Interest Period shall be calculated on the last day of the Interest Period and shall be the arithmetic mean of the rate of interest for each day during the Interest Period determined by the Calculation Agent as being the rate of interest most recently announced by the Bank at its New York



office as its base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans (or if the Bank ceases to exist or is not quoting a base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans, another major money center commercial bank in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Portfolio Manager)).

For the first Interest Period, LIBOR shall be determined based on the actual number of days in the Interest Period using straight-line interpolation of two rates calculated in accordance with the above procedure, except that instead of using three month deposits, one rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next shorter than the Interest Period and the other rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next longer than the Interest Period. All calculations shall be calculated to at least four decimal places and rounded to four decimal places.

### **Principal Payments on the Notes and Distributions on the Preference Shares from Principal Proceeds**

The principal of each Note of each Class matures at par and is payable on the Payment Date that is the Stated Maturity for the Class of Notes, unless the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable at an earlier date by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise. The Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, unless redeemed or repaid in full prior thereto. The average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years from issuance until Stated Maturity for such Notes. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes Interests May Vary" and "Maturity and Prepayment Considerations." Notwithstanding the foregoing, the payment of principal of each Class of Notes: (i) may only occur after principal on each Class of Notes that is a Priority Class with respect to the Class has been paid in full and (ii) is subordinated to the payment on each Payment Date of the principal and interest payable on the Priority Classes, and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments. However, Principal Proceeds may be used to pay Deferred Interest and other amounts before the payment of principal of the Notes. See "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments."

In general, principal payments will not be made on the Notes before the end of the Reinvestment Period, except in the following circumstances: (i) in connection with an Optional Redemption, (ii) at the option of the Portfolio Manager, to effect a Special Redemption of the Notes, (iii) pursuant to a redemption made in connection with a Tax Event or (iv) following a mandatory redemption of the Notes caused by a failure to meet any of the Coverage Tests or a Rating Confirmation Failure. After the Reinvestment Period, Principal Proceeds will be applied on each Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments to pay principal of each Class of Notes (except for Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations which may be reinvested as described herein). No principal of any Class of Notes will be payable on any Payment Date other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and to the extent funds are available therefor on that Payment Date for that purpose, except that the principal of each Class of Notes will be payable in full at the Stated Maturity, unless repaid before that.

On each Payment Date (or, with respect to the Preference Share Components, the Composite Securities Payment Date), the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Principal Proceeds as described under clauses (6)(A), (9) and (10) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds."

### **Legal Provisions Applicable to the Payments of Dividends from Interest Proceeds and Dividends or Other Distributions from Principal Proceeds**

Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment of dividends on, or the payment of the Redemption Price in respect of, the Preference Shares, will be distributable to the Holders of the Preference Shares only if the Issuer is and will remain solvent

following such distribution and Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment of dividends in respect of the Preference Shares will be distributable to the Holders of the Preference Shares only if the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium and if the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distribution. Payments will be paid by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for payment of dividends and other distributions to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, on a *pro rata* basis according to the number of Preference Shares held by each Holder on the Record Date for such Payment Date.

### **Distributions on the Composite Securities**

On each Payment Date on which distributions are made in respect of the Preference Shares, a portion of such payment will be allocated to the Class 1 Composite Securities in the proportion that the aggregate Face Amount of the Preference Share Component bears to the aggregate Face Amount of the Preference Shares. The payment of distributions, redemption amounts and any other payments on the Class 1 Composite Securities will be distributed in the same manner as the Preference Shares to which the Preference Share Component relates, except that such payment will be made on the Composite Securities Payment Date. See "—Priority of Payments."

On each Composite Securities Payment Date, the Trustee will disburse (solely from amounts in the Class 1 Component Account attributable to the proceeds from the sale of the Treasury Strip as described in "Description of the Securities—Class 1 Component Distributions") to the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities, *pro rata* based on their share of the Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance, the proceeds from the sale of the Treasury Strip relating to such Composite Securities Payment Date. See "—Priority of Payments—Class 1 Component Distributions."

### **Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**

#### *General*

The Issuer, if directed by the Portfolio Manager, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Reinvestment Period to the applicable Extended Reinvestment Period End Date if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously affected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Reinvestment Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Securities or Preference Shares or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents.

In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares wishing to sell such Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to "—Extension Procedure" below (such Securities as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, "**Extension Sale Securities**"). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, each Holder providing an Extension Sale Notice shall be deemed to agree that no Extension Sale Securities of any Holder shall be purchased unless all Extension Sale Securities of all Holders are purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date and the other Extension Conditions are satisfied as of such date.

The Maturity Extension shall be effective only if the following conditions (the "**Extension Conditions**") are satisfied:

- (i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the applicable Extension Effective Date;
- (ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions herein, in the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents immediately after such purchase and the legends on such Securities and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency);
- (iii) (a) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to S&P (so long as any Notes are then rated by S&P) and (b) either (A) all Coverage Tests and the Selected Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied as of the related Extension Determination Date, the rating of each Class of Notes or Composite Securities by Moody's has not been downgraded, withdrawn or qualified from that in effect on the Closing Date (unless it subsequently has been reinstated to the rating assigned on the Closing Date) and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$663,000,000 or (B) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to Moody's (so long as any Notes or Composite Securities are then rated by Moody's); and
- (iv) so long as the Insurer is the Controlling Class, the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer has obtained the Insurer's consent; *provided, however*, in the event that the Insurer does not consent to a Maturity Extension, the Holders of 100% of the Insured Notes (after giving effect to the sale of any Insured Notes which are Extension Sale Securities in connection with the proposed Maturity Extension) the Insured Notes may, pursuant to the Indenture and as described below under "—Termination of the Policy," terminate the Policy, upon which, so long as clauses (i) through (iii) above have been satisfied, the Maturity Extension shall be effective.

In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Holder of Notes other than Extension Sale Securities and the Insurer (so long as the Policy has not been terminated as described below under "—Termination of the Policy") shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment. Holders of Composite Securities and Preference Shares shall not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

The Extension Bonus Payment shall be payable to (i) any applicable qualifying beneficial owners who have provided the Trustee with an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification and (ii) to the Insurer, on the first Payment Date from and including the Extension Effective Date on which funds are available to be used for such purposes in accordance with the Priority of Payments, but in any event, no later than the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption of the Notes. Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments on a Payment Date shall not be considered "due and payable" hereunder. The failure to pay any such Extension Bonus Payment on such date shall not be an Event of Default, unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Securities. Unpaid Extension Bonus Payments shall not accrue interest. Such amounts shall be paid: (i) in the case of the Notes, to the accounts designated in the applicable Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification or, to the extent otherwise required by the rules of any applicable securities exchange or

clearing agency, in a manner determined by the Issuer and (ii) in the case of the Insurer, to the account specified in the Premium Letter or as otherwise directed by the Insurer in writing.

If all Extension Conditions are satisfied, other than obtaining the consent of the Insurer to such Extension, and the Insurer has and continues to object to such Extension, so long as there are no Accrued Insurance Liabilities outstanding on the related Payment Date, the Policy may be terminated by the Holders of 100% of the Class A-1g Notes (after giving effect to the sale of any Insured Notes which are Extension Sale Securities in connection with the proposed Maturity Extension). Upon such termination of the Policy, the Note Interest Rate in respect of the Class A-1g Notes will be the Step-Up Note Interest Rate. See "—Termination of the Policy."

#### *Extension Procedure*

No later than three Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Issuer's election to extend the Reinvestment Period (the "**Extension Notice**"), the Trustee shall mail the Extension Notice to all Holders of Securities and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes or Composite Securities are Outstanding), in the form set out in the Indenture, and shall request the Rating Condition for the Maturity Extension from S&P, if applicable.

Any Holder of Securities may give irrevocable notice (an "**Extension Sale Notice**") within 30 days after the Trustee has mailed the Extension Notice (the "**Extension Sale Notice Period**") of its intention to sell its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of Securities that has not given such an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be entitled to sell its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension.

If clause (iii)(b)(A) of the Extension Conditions is not satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date as determined by the Issuer (or its agent), the Trustee shall request the Rating Condition to be satisfied with respect to Moody's.

On the applicable Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or its agent) shall confirm (i) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Securities in compliance with all transfer restrictions in the Indenture and the legends on such Securities and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (ii) whether the requirements of clause (iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date and (iii) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

On each Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension shall automatically become effective under the terms of the Indenture; *provided* that all Extension Conditions set forth above are satisfied. No later than two Business Days after each Extension Effective Date, the Trustee based on a determination made by the Issuer, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail a notice to all Holders of Notes and Composite Securities, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) and the Irish Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class of Notes or Composite Securities is listed thereon) confirming whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension became effective, the Issuer shall make any required notifications thereof to the Depository for any Securities subject to the Maturity Extension.

None of the Initial Purchaser, the Portfolio Manager or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

## Optional Redemption

*Notes.* The Holders of at least 63% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares may give written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer, the Insurer and the Portfolio Manager directing an optional redemption of the Notes (with respect to the Notes, an "**Optional Redemption**") upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period. Such notice must be given not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made. Upon receipt of the written notice directing an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Issuers are required by the Indenture to redeem the Notes (in whole but not in part) from amounts available therefor in accordance with "—Redemption Procedures" described below. Any Optional Redemption of the Notes shall be made at the applicable Redemption Price. Upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Reinvestment Period will terminate in accordance with the definition of that term. The Issuer shall, at least 30 days before the Redemption Date (unless the Trustee shall agree to a shorter notice period), notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Insurer and each Rating Agency of the Redemption Date, the applicable Record Date, the principal amount of Notes to be redeemed on the Redemption Date and the applicable Redemption Prices.

*Preference Shares.* On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, all administrative and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture and the Insurance Documents to the Insurer, and all amounts owing under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged:

(i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares pro rata in accordance with their respective holdings; or

(ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, voting as a single Class or group the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such direction,

(with respect to the Preference Shares and each of clauses (i) and (ii) above, an "Optional Redemption").

Upon a distribution pursuant to clause (i) above, the Portfolio Manager will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Management Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer (and subject to clause (ii) above), direct the sale of all remaining Collateral Obligations. Upon a distribution pursuant to clause (ii) above, the Portfolio Manager will effect the sale of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares.

Upon receipt of the written notice directing an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares, the Issuer is required by the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement to redeem the Preference Shares in accordance with "—Redemption Procedures" described below. Any Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares shall be made at the applicable Redemption Price.

In connection with a redemption of the Preference Shares, a portion of the payments paid in respect of the Preference Shares will be allocated to the Composite Securities in the proportion that the aggregate Face Amount of the Preference Share Components bears to the aggregate Face Amount of the Preference Shares as a whole (including the related Preference Share Component and any other applicable Preference Share Component) (and such payment will be made on the Composite Securities Payment

Date). Other than as set forth below, no other payments will be made on the Composite Securities in connection with a redemption of the Preference Shares.

Upon the occurrence of a redemption of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Indenture, in whole or in part, the Class 1 Components shall be redeemed by the Issuer, in whole but not in part, on the Composite Securities Payment Date from Class 1 Collateral available for that purpose in the Class 1 Component Account at the applicable Redemption Price. All Class 1 Components must be simultaneously redeemed. Upon any redemption of the Class 1 Components, the Holders of Class 1 Composite Securities shall receive the Redemption Price as a distribution in kind of a *pro rata* share (based on the Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance) of each item of the Class 1 Collateral.

*Redemption Procedures.* Notice of a redemption shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days and not earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date, to (i) the Insurer, each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as applicable, to the Holders of the Composite Securities and to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and (ii) in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, to each Rating Agency. In addition, for so long as any Securities (other than the Preference Shares) are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of an Optional Redemption of Notes shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

Notice of redemption having been given as provided above, the Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at the Redemption Price therein specified and from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Redemption Price and accrued interest) the Notes shall cease to bear interest on the Redemption Date.

Upon final payment on a Note to be so redeemed, the Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the place specified in the notice of redemption to receive the applicable Redemption Price unless the Holder provides an undertaking to surrender the Note thereafter. If a Component is to be redeemed, the related Composite Security does not need to be surrendered at the office of any paying agent under the Indenture to receive the applicable Redemption Price.

The Notes may not be optionally redeemed unless either of the following conditions are satisfied:

(i) at least ten Business Days before the Redemption Date, the Portfolio Manager shall have furnished to the Trustee evidence (in form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee) that the Issuer has entered into a binding agreements (with a financial or other institution or entity whose short-term unsecured debt obligations (other than obligations whose rating is based on the credit of a person other than the institution) have a credit rating of at least "A-1" from S&P and of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's (or to any other institution or entity if the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's is satisfied with respect to the other entity)) to sell to the financial or other institutions, not later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date in immediately available funds, all or part of the Collateral (directly or by participation or other arrangement) at a Purchase Price at least equal to an amount sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations (including the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture and the Insurance Agreement to the Insurer, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices; or

(ii) before entering into any binding agreement to sell all or a portion of the Collateral and selling or terminating any Hedge Agreement, the Portfolio Manager shall have certified that, in its commercially reasonable judgment, the settlement dates of the sales will be scheduled to occur on or before the Business Day before the Redemption Date and that the expected proceeds from the sales are to be delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date, in immediately available funds, in an amount (calculated as applicable in the manner provided below) sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture and the Insurance Documents to the Insurer, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices. For purposes of this paragraph, the amount shall be calculated with respect to the classes of Collateral listed in the table below by multiplying the expected proceeds of sale of the Collateral by the indicated percentage in the table below.

		<u>Number of Business Days Between Certification to the Trustee and Sale</u>			
		<u>Same Day</u>	<u>1 to 2</u>	<u>3 to 5</u>	<u>6 to 15</u>
1.	Cash or other Eligible Investments	100%	100%	100%	100%
2.	Loans (other than 5 below)	100%	93%	92%	88%
3.	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations (in each case, other than 4 below)	100%	89%	85%	75%
4.	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations, in each case with a Moody's Rating of "B3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "B3"	100%	75%	65%	55%
5.	Synthetic Securities	100%	65%	55%	35%

Any certification delivered by the Portfolio Manager shall include (A) the prices of, and expected proceeds from, the sale of any Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments or Hedge Agreements and (B) all calculations required by the Indenture.

Any notice of redemption may be withdrawn by the Issuer up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Trustee, the Insurer and the Portfolio Manager only if:

(i) in the case of an Optional Redemption of Notes, the Portfolio Manager does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications required under the Indenture, as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee;

(ii) in the case of an Optional Redemption in whole of either the Notes or the Preference Shares as described above in "—Optional Redemption—Notes" and clause (i) of the first paragraph under "—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares," the Issuer receives the written direction of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption delivered by the percentage of the Preference Shares requesting redemption under "—Optional Redemption—Notes" or clause (i) of the first paragraph under "—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares," as applicable; and

(iii) in the case of an Optional Redemption of Preference Shares as described in clause (ii) of the first paragraph under "Optional Redemption—Preference Shares," the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer hereby agrees for the benefit of the directing person to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (ii) or this clause (iii)).

Notice of any withdrawal shall be sent, not later than the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date (assuming that the Trustee has received timely written notice from the Issuer as provided above), by the Trustee, to each Holder of Notes scheduled to be redeemed at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery (or, to the extent the address contained in the Indenture Register is not sufficient for that purpose, by first-class mail), the Holders of Composite Securities and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares). If the Issuer so withdraws any notice of redemption or is otherwise unable to complete any redemption of the Notes, the Sale Proceeds received from the sale of any Collateral Obligations sold in accordance with the Indenture may, during the Reinvestment Period (and, in respect of Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations, after the Reinvestment Period) at the Portfolio Manager's discretion, be reinvested in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria.

Notice of redemption shall be given by the Co-Issuers or, upon an Issuer Order, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Co-Issuers. Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Note selected for redemption, to each Holder of Composite Securities or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Securities.

**Special Redemption of Notes If the Portfolio Manager Does Not Identify Investments as Contemplated by the Indenture**

Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in whole or in part, at par, in accordance with the Priority of Payments if, at any time during the Reinvestment Period, the Portfolio Manager elects (subject to the Management Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the investment or reinvestment of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be invested in additional Collateral Obligations.

On the Special Redemption Date, the Special Redemption Amount will be available to be applied in accordance with "—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds" to the extent of available Principal Proceeds. Notice of payment of the Special Redemption Amount shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than three Business Days before the applicable Special Redemption Date, to the Insurer and each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository. In addition, for so long as any Securities (other than the Preference Shares) are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of a Special Redemption of the Notes shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

In connection with a Special Redemption, the principal of the Notes will be paid from Principal Proceeds in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount (first to any Senior Class A Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class A-2 Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class A-3 Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class B Notes to be redeemed and then to any Class C Notes to be redeemed, in each case until paid in full) in accordance with the Priority of Payments. See "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds."



## **Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

### *General*

In the event of a Rating Confirmation Failure or a failure to meet any Coverage Test on any Determination Date, a mandatory redemption of one or more Classes of Notes in whole or in part will be required. Any mandatory redemption could result in an elimination, deferral or reduction in interest or principal payments to one or more Classes of Securities, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of the Class or Classes of Securities. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Interests for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests" and "—The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure."

### *Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests*

Except with respect to payments made pursuant to an Optional Redemption or a redemption made in connection with a Tax Event as described under "—Optional Redemption," on any Payment Date with respect to which any Coverage Test (as described under "Security for the Notes and the Composite Securities—The Coverage Tests") is not met on any Determination Date, principal payments on the Notes will be made as described under "—Priority of Payments."

### *Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure*

Upon the event of a Rating Confirmation Failure, all Interest Proceeds remaining after payment of amounts referred to in clauses (1) and (3) through (12) of "—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" will be used to pay principal of the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes sequentially in order of their priority on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date thereafter until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. If necessary, after the foregoing payments are made out of Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds in accordance with clause (3) "—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds" will be used to pay principal of each Class of the Notes sequentially in order of their priority on each Payment Date until the Initial Ratings are confirmed.

Upon receipt of notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes, at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes, then at the direction and in accordance with the instructions of the Portfolio Manager the Trustee shall sell Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for the purpose in the Collection Account will be used to redeem the Notes (but only to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes) and to pay all administrative and other fees, expenses and obligations payable under the Priority of Payments. Any sale under these provisions shall be conducted in such a manner that:

- (i) after giving effect to the sale each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied or, if any Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Overcollateralization Test is not reduced;
- (ii) if the sale occurs on or after the second Payment Date, after giving effect to the sale each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied or, if any Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Interest Coverage Test is not reduced; and
- (iii) after giving effect to the sale each Collateral Quality Test is satisfied or, if any Collateral Quality Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Collateral Quality Test is not reduced.

## **Redemption of the Preference Shares in Connection with Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

The Preference Shares will be redeemed in whole in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents on any Payment Date (or, with respect to the Preference Share Components, the Composite Securities Payment Date) on which a mandatory redemption of the Notes described under "—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes" results in the payment in full of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes.

### **Priority of Payments**

Collections received on the Collateral during the related Due Period will be segregated into Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds and applied on each Payment Date in the priority below under "—Interest Proceeds" and "—Principal Proceeds," respectively (collectively, the "**Priority of Payments**").

#### *Interest Proceeds*

On each Payment Date, Interest Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period (other than Interest Proceeds previously used during such Due Period to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations or otherwise used as permitted under the Indenture) will be distributed in the following order of priority:

- (1) to the payment of any taxes and registration and filing fees owed by the Co-Issuers (without limit) and then to the payment of Administrative Expenses up to the Administrative Expense Cap as follows:

FIRST, in the following order of priority:

- (i) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Trustee; and then
- (ii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Collateral Administrator; and then
- (iii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Preference Shares Paying Agent; and

SECOND, in the following order of priority;

- (x) fees and expenses of the Administrator; and then;
- (y) fees and expenses of the Co-Issuers (including fees and expenses of counsel and surveillance, credit estimate, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies) and any other person (except the Portfolio Manager) if specifically provided for in the Indenture, and to the expenses (but not fees) of the Portfolio Manager if payable under the Management Agreement and to the fees, expenses and indemnities of the Insurer;
- (2) the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts paid pursuant to clause (1) above to deposit into the Expense Reimbursement Account;
- (3) to the payment to the Portfolio Manager of any accrued and unpaid Senior Management Fee then payable;

- (4) to the payment of all amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements other than any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;
- (5)
  - (A) first, *pro rata* to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Senior Class A Notes, accrued and unpaid Premium and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Senior Class A Notes; *provided, however*, if the amounts available pursuant to this clause (A) are insufficient to pay the foregoing amounts in full, the amount available for distribution under this clause (A) shall be distributed *pro rata* based on the amounts owing to the Class A-1a Notes and the Class A-1b Notes, on the one hand, and to the amounts owing to the Class A-1g Notes and in respect of the Premium, on the other hand, with the amounts distributed to the Insurer and the Holders of the Class A-1g Notes being paid first to the Insurer in respect of the Premium until paid in full and then in respect of amounts owing to the Class A-1g Notes; *provided, further*, that distributions in respect of the Class A-1a Notes and the Class A-1b Notes pursuant to this clause (5)(A) shall be made to the Holders thereof *pro rata* based upon the amount of accrued and unpaid interest and accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest owing in respect of the Class A-1a Notes and the Class A-1b Notes;
  - (B) second, to the payment of Accrued Insurance Liabilities then payable under the Insurance Agreement;
- (6) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-2 Notes and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-2 Notes;
- (7) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-3 Notes and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-3 Notes (with distributions in respect of the Class A-3 Notes made to the Holders thereof *pro rata* based upon the amount of accrued and unpaid interest and accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest owing in respect of the Class A-3a Notes and the Class A-3b Notes);
- (8) if the Class A Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes in the Note Payment Sequence in the amount necessary so that all of the Class A Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (8) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under "—Principal Proceeds" below on the current Payment Date);
- (9) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B Notes (excluding Class B Deferred Interest, but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class B Deferred Interest);
- (10) if the Class B Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class B Notes in the Note Payment Sequence and then to the payment of any Class B Deferred Interest, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class B Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause

- (10) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under "—Principal Proceeds" below on the current Payment Date) (with each of the Senior Class A Notes and the Class A-3 Notes being redeemed *pro rata* based upon the outstanding principal amount of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes and the Class A-1g Notes (in the case of a redemption of the Senior Class A Notes) and the outstanding principal amount of the Class A-3a Notes and the Class A-3b Notes (in the case of a redemption of the Class A-3 Notes));
- (11) to the payment of Class B Deferred Interest;
- (12) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class C Notes (excluding Class C Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class C Deferred Interest);
- (13) if the Class C Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date or if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, to the payment of principal of the Notes in the Note Payment Sequence and then to the payment of the Class C Deferred Interest in the amount necessary so that all of the Class C Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (13) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under "—Principal Proceeds" below on the current Payment Date, unless a Rating Confirmation is obtained) (with each of the Senior Class A Notes and the Class A-3 Notes being redeemed *pro rata* based upon the outstanding principal amount of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes and the Class A-1g Notes (in the case of a redemption of the Senior Class A Notes) and the outstanding principal amount of the Class A-3a Notes and the Class A-3b Notes (in the case of a redemption of the Class A-3 Notes));
- (14) to the payment of Class C Deferred Interest;
- (15) to deposit in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds amounts representing Principal Proceeds previously used to pay amounts referred to in clauses (1), (3) through (7), (9), (11), (12) and (14) above and not previously restored to the Collection Account or, if not restored to the Collection Account, used to purchase Collateral Obligations;
- (16) during the Reinvestment Period, if the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, for deposit to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds the lesser of (i) 50% of the remaining Interest Proceeds available after the payments pursuant to clause (15) above and (ii) the amount necessary to cause the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as of such Determination Date, after application of Principal Proceeds as described under "—Principal Proceeds" below on the current Payment Date;
- (17) first, to the payment to the Insurer of any remaining Administrative Expenses payable thereto and not paid under clause (1) above, and second, to the payment of any remaining Administrative Expenses not paid under clause (1) above in the respective priorities specified in clause (1);
- (18) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, an amount not to exceed the Preference Shares Distribution Amount;

- (19) to the payment (i) first to the Portfolio Manager of accrued and unpaid Subordinated Management Fee then due and payable and (ii) to the Insurer (if entitled thereto) and to each Holder of Securities entitled thereto, the applicable Extension Bonus Payment as described under "—Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date";
- (20) to the payment of any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;
- (21) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 10.75%;
- (22) to the payment to the Portfolio Manager of the Incentive Management Fee, if applicable; and
- (23) any remaining Interest Proceeds, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

*Principal Proceeds*

On each Payment Date, Principal Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period other than:

- (A) Principal Proceeds previously reinvested in Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or otherwise used as permitted under the Indenture;
- (B) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account or the Securities Lending Account; and
- (C) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed Purchase Prices for Collateral Obligations with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment before the end of the Due Period for their purchase, but has not settled the purchase by the end of the Due Period;

shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

- (1) (x) first, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (1) and (3) through (7) under "—Interest Proceeds" above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (y) second, to the payment of amounts referred to in clause (8) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class A Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a pro forma basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (1);
- (2) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (10) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class B Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a pro forma basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (2);

- (3) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (13) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class C Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a pro forma basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (3);
- (4) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (9) and (11) under "—Interest Proceeds" above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder, only to the extent that all of the Coverage Tests would be met on a pro forma basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (4);
- (5) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (12) and (14) under "—Interest Proceeds" above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder, only to the extent that all of the Coverage Tests would be met on a pro forma basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (5);
- (6)
  - (A) if the Payment Date is a Redemption Date in the following order of priority: (i) to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of the Redemption Prices of all of the Notes to be redeemed (with each of the Senior Class A Notes and the Class A-3 Notes being redeemed pro rata based upon the outstanding principal amount of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes and the Class A-1g Notes (in the case of a redemption of the Senior Class A Notes) and the outstanding principal amount of the Class A-3a Notes and the Class A-3b Notes (in the case of a redemption of the Class A-3 Notes)), (ii) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (17) through (22) under "—Interest Proceeds" above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (iii) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares of the Redemption Price of any Preference Shares to be redeemed; and
  - (B) if the Payment Date is a Special Redemption Date, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of the Notes in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount, in each case until paid in full (with each of the Senior Class A Notes and the Class A-3 Notes being redeemed pro rata based upon the outstanding principal amount of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes and the Class A-1g Notes (in the case of a redemption of the Senior Class A Notes) and the outstanding principal amount of the Class A-3a Notes and the Class A-3b Notes (in the case of a redemption of the Class A-3 Notes));
- (7) during the Reinvestment Period, all remaining Principal Proceeds to the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture (and, until so applied (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), to be deposited in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds);
- (8) after the Reinvestment Period, (i) first, at the discretion of the Portfolio Manager (with respect to Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit

Improved Obligations) to the purchase or funding of substitute Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the applicable provisions of the Indenture when appropriate Collateral Obligations are available, and until such time, to the Collection Account for the purchase of Eligible Investments; and (ii) second, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of Notes until paid in full;

- (9) to the extent not previously paid in full under clause (6) above, after the Reinvestment Period, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (17) through (22) under "—Interest Proceeds" above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; and
- (10) after the Reinvestment Period to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

Amounts referred to in clauses (9) and (12) under "—Interest Proceeds" above, to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder, will be added to deferred interest for purposes of calculating the Coverage Tests in clauses (1), (2) and (3) of this Principal Proceeds order of priority.

If on any Payment Date the amount available in the Payment Account is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by the Valuation Report, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for in the order and according to the priority under "—Interest Proceeds" and "—Principal Proceeds," to the extent funds are available therefor.

The Trustee shall remit funds to pay Administrative Expenses of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in accordance with the Priority of Payments under "—Interest Proceeds" and "—Principal Proceeds" above, to the extent available, to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer as directed and designated in an Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions) delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before each Payment Date.

#### *Class 1 Component Distributions*

On the first Business Day after each Payment Date, the Trustee shall make commercially reasonable efforts to sell a portion or all of the Treasury Strip held in the Class 1 Component Account on the customary open markets in accordance with customary industry standards. The face amount of the Treasury Strip to be sold, if any, on the first Business Day after the relevant Payment Date shall be a calculated amount (rounded down to the nearest \$1,000) equal to:

- (1) the sum of the distributions allocated to the Preference Share Component of the Class 1 Composite Securities under clauses (18), (21) and (23) under "—Interest Proceeds" above and clauses (6)(A), (9) and (10) under "—Principal Proceeds" above on such Payment Date; *divided by*
- (2) one *minus* the bid-side market price of the Treasury Strip on the first Business Day after such Payment Date, expressed as a percentage.

No portion of the Treasury Strip may be sold, if after its sale, the Class 1 Collateral Principal Balance would not be greater than or equal to the Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance.

On each Composite Securities Payment Date, the Trustee shall disburse (solely from amounts in the Class 1 Component Account attributable to the proceeds from the sale of the Treasury Strip pursuant to the preceding paragraph) to the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities, *pro rata* based on their share of the Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance, the proceeds from the sale of the Treasury Strip relating to such Composite Securities Payment Date pursuant to the preceding paragraph.

On each Composite Securities Payment Date following a redemption pursuant to "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption," the Trustee shall disburse (solely from Class 1 Collateral held in the Class 1 Component Account) to the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities, pro rata based on their share of the Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance, the Redemption Price of the Class 1 Component as a distribution in kind of each item of the Class 1 Collateral.

### **Termination of the Policy**

The Policy may be terminated on any Payment Date if: (x) after giving effect to all payments to be made on such Payment Date, all Accrued Insurance Liabilities and all Administrative Expenses payable to the Insurer accrued through the date of termination have been paid and all Premium accrued through such Payment Date has been paid and (y) any of the following events has occurred and is continuing on such date:

(i) the Co-Issuers have elected to extend the Reinvestment Period as described under "—Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date" and have satisfied all of the requirements related thereto (including each of the Extension Conditions), other than obtaining the consent of the Insurer to such Extension, and the Insurer has and continues to object to such Extension, and the Holders of 100% of the Insured Notes (after giving effect to the sale of any Insured Notes which are Extension Sale Securities in connection with the proposed Maturity Extension) consent to such termination in accordance with the Indenture;

(ii) the Co-Issuers have proposed to enter into a supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture and have satisfied all of the requirements for the effectiveness thereof and the Insurer has and continues to object to such amendment and 100% of the Holders of the Insured Notes consent to such termination in accordance with the Indenture; or

(iii) the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser shall have purchased the Insured Notes for the applicable Removal Buy-Out Purchase Price as described in "—Removal Buy-Out."

If none of the conditions set forth in clause (i) through (iii) above are satisfied, the Policy may be terminated on any Business Day if 100% of the Holders of the Insured Notes consent to such termination in accordance with the Indenture.

Upon such termination of the Policy, the Note Interest Rate in respect of the Class A-1g Notes will be the Step-Up Note Interest Rate.

If the Issuer or the Holders of at least 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Insured Notes wish to solicit the vote of the Holders of the Insured Notes in connection with a proposed termination of the Policy pursuant to the Indenture, the Issuer or such Holders shall notify the Trustee at least 45 days prior to the proposed termination date (which in the case of a termination pursuant to the first paragraph above must be a Payment Date). If the conditions for termination specified above are satisfied as of the date of such notice (or are expected to be satisfied as of the proposed date of termination), as certified to the Trustee by an Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, promptly upon receipt thereof, notify the Issuer (in the case of notice to the Trustee by the requisite Holders of the Insured Notes), the Portfolio Manager, and the Insurer and shall send to all Holders of the Insured Notes (with a copy to the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and the Insurer) a notice of proposed termination that shall state:

1. the notice is being sent at the request of the Issuer or certain Holders of the Insured Notes (as applicable) who wish to solicit the vote of the Holders of the Insured Notes in connection with a termination of the Policy pursuant to the Indenture;



2. a copy of the Issuer Order stating that the proposed termination is pursuant to the Indenture, and any conditions to such proposed termination have been satisfied;
3. the proposed date of termination (which in the case of a termination pursuant to the Indenture must be a Payment Date);
4. that from and after termination of the Policy, the Insured Notes will bear interest at a rate of LIBOR + 0.25% + the Premium Rate; and
5. that if the Policy is terminated, the Insurer shall have no further liability for losses, claims, demands, damages, controversies, losses, costs and expenses of any nature whatsoever, known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, fixed or contingent, under the Policy as of the date of such termination, whether such losses, claims, demands, damages, controversies, losses, costs and expenses occurred prior to or subsequent to the date of such termination, and whether in connection with an Avoided Payment or other amount that has been paid by the Issuer or the Insurer prior to or after the termination of the Policy and subsequently is required to be returned as a preference or otherwise.

Each Holder of the Insured Notes that wishes to terminate the Policy must notify the Issuer and Trustee in writing of such determination within 10 Business Days after delivery of the notice of proposed termination. If the Trustee and the Issuer have not received written notification from all of the Holders of the Insured Notes within 10 Business Days of delivery of notice of proposed termination, the solicitation of the vote of the Holders of the Notes will be deemed not to have succeeded. The Trustee shall promptly forward to the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and the Insurer the solicitation of votes received from the Holders of the Insured Notes. If all Holders of the Insured Notes notify the Issuer and the Trustee that they wish to terminate the Policy, the Issuer shall issue an Issuer Order instructing the Trustee to:

1. surrender the Policy to the Insurer for cancellation on the date of termination;
2. promptly notify each Rating Agency of such termination; and
3. execute, acknowledge and deliver (at the expense of Issuer) such other documents or instruments as the Insurer may reasonably request evidencing the termination of the Policy.

### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Notes**

The Notes sold in Offshore Transactions may only be sold to non-U.S. Persons in reliance on Regulation S. Except as provided below, the Notes sold in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Notes. The Regulation S Global Notes will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear and Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream. Investors may hold their interests in a Regulation S Global Note directly through Euroclear or Clearstream, if they are participants in such systems, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in such systems. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may not be held by a U.S. Person at any time. By acquisition of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note, the purchaser thereof will be deemed to represent that it is not a U.S. Person and that, if in the future it determines to transfer such beneficial interest, it will transfer such interest only to a person whom the seller reasonably believes to be a non-U.S. Person or to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note.

The Notes sold in non-Offshore Transactions or to U.S. Persons may only be sold to (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers and (ii) (A) a Qualified Purchaser or (B) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified

Purchasers. Except as provided below, the Notes sold in reliance on Rule 144A to Qualified Institutional Buyers and Qualified Purchasers will be represented by one or more permanent Rule 144A Global Notes. Investors may hold their interests in the Rule 144A Global Notes directly through the Depository if they are the Depository participants, or indirectly through organizations that are the Depository participants. The Rule 144A Global Notes will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for the Depository, and registered in the name of a nominee of the Depository.

Beneficial interests in Notes represented by Global Notes will be subject to certain restrictions on transfer set forth therein and in the Indenture and such Global Notes will bear the applicable legends regarding the restrictions set forth under "Transfer Restrictions." A beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from (A) the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that the transfer is being made to a person whom the transferor reasonably believes is a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is also (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction and (B) the transferee (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser. Beneficial interests in the Rule 144A Global Notes may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from (A) the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that the transfer is being made to a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction in accordance with Regulation S and (B) the transferee (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is a non-U.S. Person.

Any beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note that is transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will, upon transfer, cease to be an interest in such Regulation S Global Note and become an interest in the Rule 144A Global Note and, accordingly, will thereafter be subject to all transfer restrictions and other procedures applicable to beneficial interests in a Rule 144A Global Note for as long as it remains such an interest. Any beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note that is transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note will, upon transfer, cease to be an interest in the Rule 144A Global Note and become an interest in the Regulation S Global Note and, accordingly, will thereafter be subject to all transfer restrictions and other procedures applicable to beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note for as long as it remains such an interest. No service charge will be made for any registration of transfer or exchange of Notes, but the Issuer or Co-Issuers, as the case may be, or the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

Except in the limited circumstances described in this paragraph, owners of beneficial interests in Notes held in the form of Global Notes will not be entitled to receive delivery of certificated Notes. The Notes are not issuable in bearer form. A Global Note deposited with the Depository pursuant to the Indenture shall be transferred to the beneficial owners thereof only if such transfer complies with the Indenture and either (i) the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for a Global Note or ceases to be a "Clearing Agency" registered under the Exchange Act and a successor depository is not appointed by the Issuer within 90 days of such notice or (ii) as a result of any amendment to or change in, the laws or regulations of the Cayman Islands or of any authority therein or thereof having power to tax or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations which become effective on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer or the Paying Agent becomes aware that it is or will be required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Notes which would not be required if the Notes were in definitive form. In addition, the owner of a beneficial interest in a Global Note will be entitled to receive a certificated Note in exchange for such interest if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing. In the event that certificated Notes are not so issued by the Issuer to such beneficial owners of interests in Global Notes, the Issuer expressly acknowledges that such beneficial owners shall be entitled to pursue any remedy that the holders of a Global Note would be

entitled to pursue in accordance with the Indenture (but only to the extent of such beneficial owner's interest in the Global Note) as if certificated Notes had been issued. Payments on such certificated Notes will be made by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a Dollar-denominated account maintained by the owner or, if a wire transfer cannot be effected, by a Dollar check delivered to the owner. See "Settlement and Clearing."

The Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof for each Class of Notes.

### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Composite Securities**

Except as provided below, the Composite Securities sold in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Composite Securities. The Regulation S Global Composite Securities will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear and Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Composite Security may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream. Investors may hold their interests in a Regulation S Global Composite Security directly through Euroclear or Clearstream, if they are participants in such systems, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in such systems. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Composite Security may not be held by a U.S. Person at any time. By acquisition of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Composite Security, the purchaser thereof will be deemed to represent that it is not a U.S. Person and that, if in the future it determines to transfer such beneficial interest, it will transfer such interest only to a person whom the seller reasonably believes to be a non-U.S. Person or to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Composite Security.

Composite Securities sold in non-Offshore Transactions or to U.S. Persons may only be sold to (i) a Qualified Institutional Buyer or an Accredited Investor who, in either case, is also (ii) (A) a Qualified Purchaser or (B) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, and will be issued in the form of one or more Certificated Composite Securities.

Beneficial interests in the Composite Securities will be subject to certain restrictions on transfer set forth therein and in the Indenture and the Composite Securities will bear the applicable legends regarding the restrictions set forth under "Transfer Restrictions." A beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Composite Security may be transferred only upon (*inter alia*) receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from (A) the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that the transfer is being made to a person whom the transferor reasonably believes is a Qualified Institutional Buyer or an Accredited Investor who is also either (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction and (B) the transferee (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer or an Accredited Investor who is also, in either case, (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers. Beneficial interests in the Certificated Composite Securities may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Composite Security only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from (A) the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that the transfer is being made to a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction in accordance with Regulation S and (B) the transferee (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is a non-U.S. Person.

Except in the limited circumstances described in this paragraph, owners of beneficial interests in Composite Securities held in the form of Regulation S Global Composite Securities will not be entitled to receive delivery of certificated Composite Securities. A Regulation S Global Composite Security deposited with the Depository pursuant to the Indenture shall be transferred to the beneficial owners thereof only if such transfer complies with the Indenture and either (i) the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for a Regulation S Global Composite

Securities or ceases to be a "Clearing Agency" registered under the Exchange Act and a successor depository is not appointed by the Issuer within 90 days of such notice or (ii) as a result of any amendment to or change in, the laws or regulations of the Cayman Islands or of any authority therein or thereof having power to tax or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations which become effective on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer or the Paying Agent becomes aware that it is or will be required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Composite Securities which would not be required if the Composite Securities were in definitive form. Payments on such certificated Composite Securities will be made by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a Dollar-denominated account maintained by the owner or, if a wire transfer cannot be effected, by a Dollar check delivered to the owner. See "Settlement and Clearing."

The Composite Securities will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$100,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof.

### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Preference Shares**

In addition to Certificated Preference Shares and except as provided below, the Preference Shares sold in reliance on Regulation S may be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Preference Shares. The Regulation S Global Preference Shares be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear and Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Preference Share may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream. Investors may hold their interests in a Regulation S Global Preference Share directly through Euroclear or Clearstream, if they are participants in such systems, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in such systems. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Preference Share may not be held by a U.S. Person at any time. By acquisition of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Preference Share, the purchaser thereof will be deemed to represent that it is not a U.S. Person and that, if in the future it determines to transfer such beneficial interest, it will transfer such interest only to a person whom the seller reasonably believes to be a non-U.S. Person or to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Preference Share.

Preference Shares sold in non-Offshore Transactions or to U.S. Persons may only be sold to (i) a Qualified Institutional Buyer or an Accredited Investor who, in either case, is also (ii) (A) a Qualified Purchaser, (B) a Knowledgeable Employee or (C) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledge Employees, and will be issued in the form of one or more Certificated Preference Shares. In addition, Preference Shares sold to non-U.S. Persons in Offshore Transactions in reliance on Regulation S may also be issued in the form of one or more Certificated Preference Shares.

Beneficial interests in the Preference Shares will be subject to certain restrictions on transfer set forth therein and in the Preference Share Documents and the Preference Shares will bear the applicable legends regarding the restrictions set forth under "Transfer Restrictions." Certificated Preference Shares may be transferred only upon (*inter alia*) receipt by the Preference Shares Paying Agent of a written certification (in the form provided in the Preference Share Documents) from the transferee to the effect that the transferee is (A) a Qualified Institutional Buyer or an Accredited Investor who is also, in either case, (i) a Qualified Purchaser, (ii) a Knowledgeable Employee or (iii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledge Employees, and such transfer is being made in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction or (B) a non-U.S. Person and such transfer is being made in an Offshore Transaction in accordance with Regulation S. See "Transfer Restrictions."

Except in the limited circumstances described in this paragraph, owners of beneficial interests in Preference Shares held in the form of Regulation S Global Preference Shares will not be entitled to receive delivery of certificated Preference Shares. A Regulation S Global Preference Share deposited with the Depository pursuant to the Preference Share Documents shall be transferred to the beneficial

owners thereof only if such transfer complies with the Preference Share Documents and either (i) the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for a Regulation S Global Preference Share or ceases to be a "Clearing Agency" registered under the Exchange Act and a successor depository is not appointed by the Issuer within 90 days of such notice or (ii) as a result of any amendment to or change in, the laws or regulations of the Cayman Islands or of any authority therein or thereof having power to tax or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations which become effective on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer or the Paying Agent becomes aware that it is or will be required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Preference Shares which would not be required if the Preference Shares were in definitive form. Payments on such certificated Preference Shares will be made by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a Dollar-denominated account maintained by the owner or, if a wire transfer cannot be effected, by a Dollar check delivered to the owner. See "Settlement and Clearing."

Maples Finance Limited, has been appointed and will serve as the registrar with respect to the Preference Shares (the "**Share Registrar**") and will provide for (*inter alia*) the registration of the Preference Shares and the registration of transfers of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Preference Share Documents and the Administration Agreement in the register maintained by it. The Preference Shares will be issued in minimum numbers of 100 Preference Shares per investor and integral multiples of one Preference Share in excess thereof.

### **No Exchange of the Composite Securities**

The Components of the Composite Securities are not separately transferable. For the avoidance of doubt, a Holder of a Class 1 Composite Security may not exchange its Class 1 Composite Security for proportional interests in the underlying securities represented by the Components thereof.

### **The Indenture**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Indenture. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Indenture.

#### *Events of Default*

"**Event of Default**" is defined in the Indenture as:

- (a) a default for four Business Days in the payment of any interest on any Class of Notes (determined without giving effect to any payments made under the Policy) that is currently part of the Controlling Class when it becomes payable (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, the Irish Listing and Paying Agent or the Indenture Registrar, after seven Business Days);
- (b) a default in the payment of principal of any Note (and any Make-Whole Premium, if applicable) (determined without giving effect to any payments made under the Policy) or any distribution with respect to the Class 1 Component under "—Priority of Payments—Class 1 Component Distributions," when the same becomes payable, at its Stated Maturity or on the Redemption Date;
- (c) the failure on any Payment Date to disburse amounts available in the Payment Account in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the failure continues for 3 Business Days;

(d) on any Measurement Date for so long as any Senior Class A Notes or Class A-2 Notes are Outstanding, the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is less than 102% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Senior Class A Notes and the Class A-2 Notes;

(e) either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral becomes an investment company under the 1940 Act;

(f) breach of any other covenant or other agreement of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Indenture (other than any failure to satisfy any of the Collateral Quality Tests, any of the Concentration Limitations, any of the Coverage Tests, the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test, or other covenants or agreements for which a specific remedy has been provided under the Indenture) in any material respect, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer made in the Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant thereto, or in connection therewith, to be correct in any material respect when made, and the breach or failure continues for 30 days after either of the Co-Issuers has actual knowledge of it or after notice to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Portfolio Manager by the Trustee or to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class by registered or certified mail or overnight courier specifying the breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that the notice is a "Notice of Default" under the Indenture;

(g) the entry of a decree or order by a court having competent jurisdiction adjudging the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, or composition of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, and if the decree or order remains unstayed and in effect for 45 consecutive days;

(h) the institution by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of Proceedings to have the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as the case may be, adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings against the Issuer or Co-Issuer, or the filing by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Bankruptcy Law or any other similar applicable law, or the consent by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or the taking of any action by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in furtherance of any such action;

(i) one or more final judgments is rendered against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer that exceed in the aggregate U.S.\$2,000,000 (or any lesser amount specified by any Rating Agency) and that remain unstayed, undischarged, and unsatisfied for 30 days after the judgments become nonappealable, unless adequate funds have been reserved or set aside for their payment, and unless (except as otherwise specified in writing by each Rating Agency) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereon; or

(j) the occurrence of an "Event of Default" under (and defined in) the Insurance Agreement.

If an Event of Default is continuing (other than (i) an Event of Default described in clauses (e), (g) or (h) under "—Events of Default" above or (ii) an Event of Default with respect to the Class 1

Component under clause (b) above "—Events of Default"), the Trustee may, and upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall, declare the principal of all the Notes and the Class 1 Component to be immediately payable (and the Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance shall become immediately payable) by notice to the Applicable Issuers, and upon that declaration the unpaid principal of all the Notes, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), and other amounts payable under the Indenture, shall become immediately payable. The Reinvestment Period shall terminate upon a declaration of acceleration (subject to re-commencement as described below). If an Event of Default described in clauses (e), (g) or (h) above under "—Events of Default" occurs, all unpaid principal, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), of all the Notes and the Class 1 Component, and other amounts payable under the Indenture, shall automatically become payable (and the Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance shall become immediately payable) without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any Noteholder and the Reinvestment Period shall terminate automatically (subject to re-commencement as described below). If an Event of Default occurs with respect to the Class 1 Component under clause (b) above under "—Events of Default," a Majority of the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities may declare the Class 1 Component immediately payable by notice to the Issuer and the Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance shall become immediately payable. Payment of the Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance when made shall be made to the Holders of the Class 1 Components as a distribution in kind of a *pro rata* share (based on the Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance) of each item of the Class 1 Collateral.

At any time after the declaration of acceleration of maturity has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class (or a Majority of the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities solely in respect of the acceleration of the Class 1 Component by the Majority of the Class 1 Component) by written notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, may rescind the declaration and its consequences if:

(i) the Issuer or the Co-Issuer has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:

(A) all unpaid installments of interest and principal on the Notes then due or, in the case of acceleration of the Class 1 Component by the Majority of the Class 1 Component, all distributions with respect to the Class 1 Component under "—Priority of Payments—Class 1 Component Distributions" (other than as a result of the acceleration);

(B) to the extent that payment of the interest is lawful, interest on any Deferred Interest and Defaulted Interest at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable;

(C) all unpaid Accrued Insurance Liabilities and unpaid Premium;

(D) all Administrative Expenses of the Co-Issuers and other sums paid or advanced by the Trustee under the Indenture;

(E) all unpaid Senior Management Fees; and

(F) all amounts then payable to any Hedge Counterparty; and

- (ii) the Trustee has determined that all Events of Default, other than the nonpayment of the interest on or principal of the Notes or nonpayment of distributions with respect to the Class 1 Component under "—Priority of Payments—Class 1 Component Distributions" that have become due solely by the acceleration, have been (A) cured, and a Majority of the Controlling Class (or a Majority of the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities solely in respect of the acceleration of the Class 1 Component) by written notice to the Trustee has agreed with that determination, or (B) waived as provided in the Indenture.

No rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right resulting from the Default.

If an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall retain the Class 1 Collateral intact, collect, and cause the collection of the proceeds of the Class 1 Collateral and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Class 1 Collateral and the Class 1 Components in accordance with "—Priority of Payments—Class 1 Component Distributions" and the Indenture and shall not sell the Class 1 Collateral in any circumstances unless so directed by all of the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities, in which case the Trustee shall sell the Class 1 Collateral to the Buyer identified by such Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities. If an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee will retain the Collateral intact, collect, and cause the collection of the proceeds of the Collateral and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Collateral and the Notes and any Hedge Agreements (other than amounts received under a Hedge Agreement that are used in putting a replacement hedge in place) in the manner described under "—Priority of Payments" and the Indenture unless either:

- (i) the Trustee determines (bid prices having been obtained with respect to each security contained in the Collateral from two nationally recognized dealers (or if there is only one dealer, that dealer and if there is no dealer, from a pricing service), selected and specified by the Portfolio Manager to the Trustee in writing, at the time making a market in those securities, and having computed the anticipated proceeds of sale or liquidation on the basis of the lower of the bid prices for each security) that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would (after deduction of the reasonable expenses of the sale or liquidation) be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and the Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty, all amounts owing by the Issuer to the Insurer under the Insurance Agreement, and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) under "—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds," and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination; or

- (ii) the Holders of a Super Majority of each of the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral; *provided, however*, if an Event of Default described in clause (d) under "Description of the Securities—Events of Default" occurs and if the Insurer is the Controlling Class, the Insurer shall have the sole right to direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral under this clause (ii).

During the continuance of an Event of Default, a Majority of the Controlling Class or a Majority of the Class 1 Composite Securities, as applicable, may institute and direct the Trustee in the conduct of any proceedings for any remedy available to the Trustee or for the exercise of any right of the Trustee under the Indenture if the direction does not conflict with any rule of law or with any express provision of the Indenture and the Trustee has been indemnified to its reasonable satisfaction. Any direction to the Trustee to undertake a sale of the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral shall be by the Holders of Notes or the Class 1 Composite Securities representing the requisite percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes or Class 1 Composite Securities, as applicable, specified in the Indenture. The



Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability unless it has received an indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it against the liability.

A Majority of the Controlling Class may on behalf of the Holders of all the Notes or all of the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities, as the case may be, before the time a judgment or decree for the payment of money due has been obtained by the Trustee, waive any past Event of Default or event that, with notice or the lapse of time or both, would become an Event of Default and its consequences, except such a default:

- (i) in the payment of principal or Redemption Price of any Note or the Class 1 Component, as the case may be, or in the payment of interest (including Defaulted Interest, Deferred Interest, and any interest on Defaulted Interest or Deferred Interest) on the Notes;
- (ii) with respect to a provision of the Indenture that cannot be modified or amended without the waiver or consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note or Class 1 Composite Security adversely affected by the modification or amendment;
- (iii) in the payment of amounts due to the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Insurer or the Hedge Counterparty, which may only be waived with the consent of the affected party; or
- (iv) arising as a result of an Event of Default described in clause (e), (g) or (h) under "—Events of Default."

No Holder of any Security may institute any proceeding with respect to the Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy under the Indenture, unless:

- (i) the Holder has previously given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default;
- (ii) the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class or, in the case of acceleration of the Class 1 Component by the Majority of the Class 1 Component, the Class 1 Components, of the Class 1 Composite Securities shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute Proceedings with respect to the Event of Default in its own name as Trustee under the Indenture and the Holders have offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with the request;
- (iii) the Trustee for 30 days after its receipt of the notice, request, and offer of indemnity has failed to institute a Proceeding; and
- (iv) no direction inconsistent with the written request has been given to the Trustee during the 30 day period by a Majority of the Controlling Class or, in the case of acceleration of the Class 1 Component by the Majority of the Class 1 Component, the Class 1 Components, of the Class 1 Composite Securities.

If the Trustee receives conflicting or inconsistent requests and indemnity from two or more groups of Holders of the Controlling Class, each representing less than a Majority of the Controlling Class, the Trustee shall take the action requested by the Holders of the largest percentage in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, notwithstanding any other provisions of the Indenture.

## Supplemental Indentures

### *Without Consent of Holders*

Without the consent of the Holders of any Securities, but with the consent of the parties the consent of which is required as described in the following paragraph, the Co-Issuers, in each instance when authorized by resolutions of the respective Boards of Directors, and the Trustee, at any time and from time to time subject to the requirement provided below with respect to receipt of a Rating Confirmation, may, and the Insurer shall, if it is not materially and adversely affected thereby (and will be bound by a standard of good faith and fair dealing in making such determination) enter into one or more indentures supplemental to the Indenture, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, for any of the following purposes:

- (1) to evidence the succession of another person to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and the assumption by the successor person of the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Indenture and in the Securities;
- (2) to add to the covenants of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes and the Composite Securities or to surrender any right in the Indenture conferred on the Co-Issuers;
- (3) to convey, transfer, assign, mortgage, or pledge any property to the Trustee, or add to the conditions, limitations or restrictions on the authorized amount, terms and purposes of the issue, authentication and delivery of the Notes and the Composite Securities;
- (4) evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment under the Indenture by a successor Trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of the Indenture necessary to facilitate the administration of the trusts under the Indenture by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of the Indenture;
- (5) correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of the Indenture, or to better assure, convey, and confirm to the Trustee any property subject or required to be subject to the lien of the Indenture (including all actions appropriate as a result of changes in law) or to subject to the lien of the Indenture any additional property;
- (6) modify the restrictions on and procedures for resales and other transfers of the Notes and the Composite Securities to reflect any changes in applicable law (or its interpretation) or to enable the Co-Issuers to rely on any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities Act or the 1940 Act or to remove restrictions on resale and transfer to the extent not required under the Indenture;
- (7) with the consent of the Portfolio Manager, to modify the restrictions on the sales of Collateral Obligations described in "Security for the Notes and the Composite Securities—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Reinvestment of Principal Proceeds and Reinvestment Criteria" or the Eligibility Criteria described in "Security for the Notes and the Composite Securities—Eligibility Criteria" (and the related definitions) in a manner not materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Portfolio Manager to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities;

- (8) make appropriate changes for any Class of Securities (other than the Preference Shares) to be listed on an exchange other than the Irish Stock Exchange;
- (9) otherwise to correct any inconsistency or cure any ambiguity or errors in the Indenture;
- (10) accommodate the issuance of the Notes or Composite Securities in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC or otherwise;
- (11) to take any appropriate action to prevent the Issuer, the Insurer, the Holders of Securities or the Trustee from becoming subject to withholding or other taxes, fees, or assessments or to prevent the Issuer from being treated as being engaged in a U.S. trade or business or otherwise being subject to U.S. federal, state, or local income tax on a net income basis, so long as the action will not cause the Insurer or the Holders of any Securities to be adversely affected to any material extent by any change to the timing, character, or source of the income from the Securities, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion);
- (12) to authorize the appointment of any listing agent, transfer agent, paying agent, or additional registrar for any Class of Notes or Composite Securities appropriate in connection with the listing of any Class of Securities (other than the Preference Shares) on the Irish Stock Exchange or any other stock exchange, and otherwise to amend the Indenture to incorporate any changes required or requested by any governmental authority, stock exchange authority, listing agent, transfer agent, paying agent, or additional registrar for any Class of Notes or Composite Securities in connection with its appointment, so long as the supplemental indenture would not materially and adversely affect any Holder of Notes or Composite Securities, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Notes or Composite Securities;
- (13) to amend, modify, enter into, or accommodate the execution of any contract relating to a Synthetic Security (including posting collateral under a Synthetic Security Agreement);
- (14) to modify certain representations as to Collateral in the Indenture in order that it may be consistent with applicable laws or Rating Agency requirements;
- (15) to evidence any waiver by any Rating Agency as to any requirement or condition, as applicable, of the Rating Agency in the Indenture;
- (16) to facilitate the issuance of participation notes, combination notes, composite securities and other similar securities;
- (17) to facilitate hedging transactions;
- (18) to facilitate the ability of the Issuer to lend collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement;
- (19) to modify any provision to facilitate an exchange of one security for another security of the same issuers that has substantially identical terms except transfer restrictions, including to effect any serial designation relating to the exchange; or

- (20) with the consent of the Portfolio Manager, to enter into any additional agreements not expressly prohibited by the Indenture as well as any amendment, modification, or waiver if the Issuer determines that the amendment, modification, or waiver would not, upon or after becoming effective, materially and adversely affect the rights or interest of the Holders of any Class of Securities, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Portfolio Manager, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities.

Without the consent of the Portfolio Manager, no supplemental indenture may be entered into that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to the Portfolio Manager under the Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Portfolio Manager. The Trustee is authorized to join in the execution of any such supplemental indenture and to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations that may be in the agreements, but the Trustee shall not be obligated to enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties, liabilities, or immunities under the Indenture or otherwise, except to the extent required by law. Unless notified by a Majority of any Class of Securities that the Class of Securities would be materially and adversely affected, the Trustee may rely on a certificate of the Portfolio Manager and an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) as to whether the interests of any Holder of Securities would be materially and adversely affected by any such supplemental indenture. The Trustee shall give at least 15 Business Days' notice of the proposed change to the Holders of the Notes and to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares).

If any Outstanding Notes or Composite Securities are rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee shall enter into a supplemental indenture without the consent of Holders only if either (1) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the supplemental indenture or (2) the Portfolio Manager and the Holders of 100% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes and Composite Securities the ratings on which would be reduced or withdrawn consent to the supplemental indenture. Prior to the entry into any supplemental Indenture with respect to which a Rating Confirmation for one or more Classes of Notes is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Note and each Holder of each Outstanding Composite Security informing them of such fact.

For so long as any Notes or Composite Securities are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee shall provide to the Rating Agency, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Hedge Counterparty a copy of any proposed supplemental indenture at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee.

*With Consent of Holders*

If the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency, with the consent of (a) the Portfolio Manager if the supplemental indenture would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under the Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Portfolio Manager, (b) a Majority of each Class of Notes adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of each such Class of Notes, (c) a Majority of the Composite Securities adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of the Composite Securities and (d) a Majority of the Preference Shares adversely affected thereby, the Trustee, the Insurer and the Co-Issuers may enter into a supplemental indenture to add any provisions to, or change in any manner or eliminate any of the provisions of, the Indenture or modify in any manner the rights of the Holders of the Notes and the Composite Securities under the Indenture.

Any proposed supplemental indenture that would also necessitate a change to the Issuer Charter may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Issuer Charter) has been passed to permit the Issuer's constitutional documents to be altered to conform them to the proposed change to the Indenture as certified to the Trustee by the Issuer.

Notwithstanding anything in the Indenture to the contrary, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected thereby, the Holder of each Outstanding Composite Security adversely affected thereby and the Holder of each Outstanding Preference Share adversely affected thereby, no supplemental indenture shall:

(i) change the Stated Maturity of the principal of or the due date of any installment of interest on any Note or the Class 1 Component or of any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares Interests, reduce its principal amount or the rate of interest on it, or the Default Interest Rate or the Redemption Price with respect to any Note, the Class 1 Component or Preference Share, or change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Share may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer, change the provisions of the Indenture relating to the application of proceeds of any Collateral to the payment of principal of or interest on Notes and the application of proceeds of any Class 1 Collateral or Preference Share Components corresponding to their related Components, or to payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, or change any place where, or the coin or currency in which, Notes or their principal or interest are paid or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after their Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the applicable Redemption Date);

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class or Composite Securities or Holders of Preference Shares whose consent is required for the authorization of any such supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of the Indenture or certain defaults under the Indenture or their consequences provided for in the Indenture;

(iii) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on a parity with the lien of the Indenture with respect to any part of the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral or terminate the lien on any property at any time subject hereto or deprive the Holder of any Note or Composite Security of the security afforded by the lien of the Indenture;

(iv) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class whose consent is required to request the Trustee to preserve the Collateral or the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Class 1 Composite Securities whose consent is required to request the Trustee to preserve the Class 1 Collateral or rescind the Trustee's election to preserve the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral, as the case may be, pursuant to the Indenture or to sell or liquidate the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral, as the case may be, pursuant to the Indenture;

(v) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture with respect to supplemental indentures or to provide that certain other provisions of the Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note, Preference Share and Composite Security affected thereby;

(vi) modify the definition of "Outstanding," "Controlling Class," or "Majority," or the Priority of Payments in the Indenture; or

(vii) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of Redemption Price or of interest or principal on any

Note or the Class 1 Component or any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the payment of dividends or other payments on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date (or, with respect to the Preference Share Components, the Composite Securities Payment Date) or to affect the rights of the Holders of Notes or Preference Shares or the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of the Notes, the Class 1 Component or the Preference Shares contained in the Indenture.

Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the above provision, the Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail to the Holders of the Notes and the Composite Securities, the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes or Composite Securities are Outstanding) a copy of such supplemental indenture and shall request any required consent from the applicable Holders of Securities to be given within the Initial Consent Period. Any consent given to a proposed supplemental indenture by the Holder of any Securities shall be irrevocable and binding on all future Holders or beneficial owners of that Security, irrespective of the execution date of the supplemental indenture. If the Holders of less than the required percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the relevant Securities consent to a proposed supplemental indenture within the Initial Consent Period, on the first Business Day after the Initial Consent Period, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager which Holders of Securities have consented to the proposed supplemental indenture and, which Holders (and, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the Trustee, which beneficial owners) have not consented to the proposed supplemental indenture. If it intends to exercise its Amendment Buy-Out Option, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall so notify the Trustee (which notice shall designate a date for the Amendment Buy-Out to occur no earlier than 10 Business Days after the date of such notice) no later than five (5) Business Days after so being notified by the Trustee and the Trustee shall mail such notice to all Holders of Notes and Composite Securities and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares). Any Non-Consenting Holder may give consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture until the 5<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the date of the Amendment Buy-Out designated by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and in such case shall cease to be a Non-Consenting Holder for purposes of the Amendment Buy-Out. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser exercises its Amendment Buy-Out Option and purchases the applicable Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, as Holder or beneficial owner of the applicable Securities, may consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture within five (5) Business Days of the Amendment Buy-Out. In the event that the Insurer does not consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture but all of the Holders of the Notes whose consent is required have consented to such proposed supplemental indenture, the Holders of the Insured Notes may, pursuant to the Indenture and as described in "—Termination of the Policy," terminate the Policy, upon which, the consent of the Insurer pursuant to this clause (c) shall no longer be required; *provided, however*, that no such amendment shall (i) affect the rights of the Insurer to be reimbursed for Accrued Insurance Liabilities, (ii) decrease the rights of the Insurer or (iii) increase the duties or obligations of the Insurer that survive the termination of the Policy.

It shall not be necessary for any Act of Holders of Notes or Composite Securities under the above provision to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if the Act or consent approves its substance.

At the cost of the Co-Issuers, for so long as any Notes or Composite Securities are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee will provide to the Rating Agency a copy of any proposed supplemental indenture at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee and a copy of the executed supplemental indenture will be mailed to the Holders of the Notes and the Composite Securities, the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency after its execution.

### **Amendment Buy-Out**

In the case of any supplemental indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Securities held by such Holders of the Class of Securities whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture (the "**Amendment Buy-Out Option**") for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all such Securities of Non-Consenting Holders, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an "**Amendment Buy-Out**"). By its acceptance of its Securities under the Indenture, each Holder of Securities agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its applicable Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser; *provided* that, if the solicited consent to a supplemental indenture only applies to one Component of a Composite Security, the Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell, at the Non-Consenting Holder's option, its Composite Security as a whole. Neither the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser nor any other Person shall have any liability to any Holder or beneficial owner of Securities as a result of an election by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser not to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option.

All purchases made pursuant to an Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Securities set forth in "Transfer Restrictions" and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

### **Removal Buy-Out**

In the case of any proposed removal of the Portfolio Manager relating to the occurrence of an Event of Default described in clause (d) under "—Events of Default," pursuant to the Management Agreement and as described in "The Management Agreement," the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from the Holders of the Class A-1g Notes, all Class A-1g Notes (the "**Removal Buy-Out Option**") for the applicable Removal Buy-Out Purchase Price. If such option is exercised, the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all such Class A-1g Notes, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class required to remove the Portfolio Manager pursuant to the Management Agreement and as described in "The Management Agreement" (a "**Removal Buy-Out**"). By its acceptance of the Class A-1g Notes under the Indenture, each Holder of Class A-1g Notes agrees that if the Removal Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Holder of Class A-1g Notes will be required to sell its applicable Class A-1g Notes to the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser. Neither the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser nor any other Person shall have any liability to any Holder or beneficial owner of Class A-1g Notes as a result of an election by the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser not to exercise the Removal Buy-Out Option.

All purchases made pursuant to a Removal Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the Class A-1g Notes set forth in "Transfer Restrictions" herein and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

Upon the effectiveness of the Removal Buy-Out, the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser shall be deemed to have exercised its right, without any further action or notice to any Person, to terminate the Policy pursuant to the Indenture and as described in "—Termination of the Policy."

### **Voting Rights of the Preference Shares**

Holders of the Preference Shares will have no voting rights, either general or special, of the Issuer, except as set forth in the Preference Share Documents, as required by Cayman Islands law or as otherwise described herein.

### **Notices**

Notices to the Holders of the Securities will be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the registered Holders of the Securities at their respective addresses appearing in the Indenture Register and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares). If and for so long as any Class of Securities (other than the Preference Shares) is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, notice will also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

### **Certain Covenants**

The Indenture contains certain covenants restricting the conduct of the Co-Issuers, including (i) restrictions on consolidations, mergers and transfers or conveyances of assets involving either Co-Issuer, (ii) restrictions on incurrence of debt other than the Notes and certain obligations incidental to the performance by each Co-Issuer of its obligations under the Indenture, (iii) restrictions on the ability of either Co-Issuer to conduct activities inconsistent with its special-purpose nature and (iv) certain restrictions on amendments of the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Management Agreement.

### **Certain Additional Issues Relating to Listing of Securities**

Application will be made to admit each Class of Securities (other than the Preference Shares) to the Daily Official List of the Irish Stock Exchange. There can be no assurance that any such admission will be granted or maintained.

The Indenture provides that, so long as any Notes or the Composite Securities remain Outstanding, the Co-Issuers shall use all reasonable efforts to obtain and maintain the listing of the Securities (other than the Preference Shares) on the Irish Stock Exchange.

### **Cancellation**

All Securities that are paid in full or redeemed and surrendered for cancellation will forthwith be canceled and may not be reissued or resold.

### **No Gross-Up**

All payments made by the Issuer under the Securities will be made without any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax unless the deduction or withholding is required by any applicable law, as modified by the practice of any relevant governmental revenue authority, then in effect. If the Issuer is so required to deduct or withhold, then the Issuer will not be obligated to pay any additional amounts in respect of the withholding or deduction.

### **Petitions for Bankruptcy**

The Indenture provides that the Trustee, the Insurer, each Hedge Counterparty, the Portfolio Manager and the Holders of the Notes and the Composite Securities may not cause the Issuer or Co-Issuer to petition for bankruptcy before one year and one day have elapsed since the final payments to the Holders of all Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, including any period established pursuant to the laws of the Cayman Islands.



## **Standard of Conduct**

The Indenture provides that, in exercising any of its or their voting rights, rights to direct and consent or any other rights as a Noteholder or Composite Securityholder under the Indenture, subject to the terms and conditions of the Indenture, a Noteholder or Composite Securityholder or the Insurer shall not have any obligation or duty to any Person or to consider or take into account the interests of any Person and shall not be liable to any Person for any action taken by it or them or at its or their direction or any failure by it or them to act or to direct that an action be taken, without regard to whether the action or inaction benefits or adversely affects any Noteholder or Composite Securityholder, the Issuer, or any other Person, except for any liability to which the Noteholder or Composite Securityholder or the Insurer may be subject to the extent the same results from the Noteholder's or Composite Securityholder's taking or directing an action, or failing to take or direct an action, in bad faith or in violation of the express terms of the Indenture.

## **Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture**

The Indenture will be discharged with respect to the Collateral and the Class 1 Collateral upon delivery to the Trustee for cancellation of all of the Notes and Composite Securities, or, within certain limitations (including the obligation to pay interest on or principal of the Notes and the obligation to make payments with respect to the Class 1 Component) upon deposit with the Trustee of funds sufficient for the payment or redemption thereof and the payment by the Co-Issuers or the Issuer, as applicable, of all other amounts due under the Indenture.

## **Trustee**

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, will be the Trustee under the Indenture. The Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager and their respective Affiliates may maintain other banking relationships in the ordinary course of business with the Trustee and its affiliates. The payment of the fees and expenses of the Trustee relating to the Notes and the Composite Securities is solely the obligation of the Issuer. The payment of the fees and expenses, which will be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments, is secured by a lien on the Collateral which is senior to the lien of the Holders of the Notes and is secured by a lien on the Class 1 Collateral which is senior to the lien of the Holders of the Composite Securities (solely to the extent of their Class 1 Component). The Trustee and its affiliates may receive compensation in connection with the investment of trust assets in certain Eligible Investments as provided in the Indenture. Eligible Investments may include investments for which the Trustee or its affiliates provide services. The Indenture contains provisions for the indemnification of the Trustee for any loss, liability or expense incurred without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of the Indenture.

Pursuant to the Indenture, as security for the payment by the Issuer of the compensation and expenses of the Trustee and any sums the Trustee may be entitled to receive as indemnification by the Issuer, the Issuer will grant the Trustee a senior lien on the Collateral, which is senior to the lien of the holders of the Secured Obligations on the Collateral.

Pursuant to the Indenture, the Trustee may resign at any time by providing 30 days' written notice and the Trustee may be removed at any time by an Act of a Majority of each Class of Notes, at any time when an Event of Default is continuing by a Majority of the Controlling Class, or by order of a court of competent jurisdiction. However, no resignation or removal of the Trustee will become effective until the acceptance of appointment by a successor Trustee pursuant to the terms of the Indenture.

## **Governing Law**

The Notes, the Composite Securities, the Indenture, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Management Agreement, the Policy, the Insurance Agreement, the Collateral

Administration Agreement, the Purchase Agreement, the Subscription Agreements, the Securities Lending Agreements, and the Hedge Agreements will be governed by the laws of the State of New York. The Administration Agreement and the Issuer Charter will be governed by the laws of the Cayman Islands.

### **Method of Payments**

Payments of principal and interest on any Note or payments on or in respect of the Preference Shares (including any Redemption Price paid on the applicable Redemption Date) and of any payments on any Notes or Preference Shares will be made to the person in whose name the related Note or Preference Share is registered fifteen days before the applicable Payment Date (the "**Record Date**"). Payments will be made (i) in the case of a Global Security, to the Depository or its designee and to the Holder or its nominee with respect to a Certificated Composite Security or a Definitive Security, by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a United States dollar account maintained by the Depository or its nominee with respect to a Global Security and to the Holder or its designee with respect to a Certificated Composite Security or a Definitive Security if the Holder has provided written wiring instructions to the Trustee (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Preference Share Paying Agent) and, if the payment is to be made by the Irish Listing and Paying Agent, the Irish Listing and Paying Agent on or before the related Record Date or, (ii) if appropriate wiring instructions are not received by the related Record Date, by check drawn on a U.S. bank mailed to the address of the Holder in the Indenture Register (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Preference Share register). Final payments of principal of the Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares will be made against surrender of the related Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares at the office designated by the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent. None of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, any paying agent, or any of their respective affiliates will have any responsibility or liability for any aspects of the records maintained by the Depository or its nominee or any of its direct or indirect participants (including Euroclear or Clearstream or any of their respective direct or indirect participants) relating to payments made on account of beneficial interests in a Global Security.

The Co-Issuers expect that the Depository or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment of principal or interest in respect of a Global Security held by the Depository or its nominee, will immediately credit participants' accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the Global Security as shown on the records of the Depository or its nominee. The Co-Issuers also expect that payments by participants (i.e., direct participants) to owners of beneficial interests in a Global Security held through the participants (i.e., indirect participants) will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers registered in the names of nominees for the customers. The payments will be the responsibility of the participants.

For so long as any Securities (other than the Preference Shares) are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange shall so require, the Issuer and the Co-Issuers, as applicable, will have the Irish Listing and Paying Agent for the Notes in Ireland and payments on the Notes may be effected through the Irish Listing and Paying Agent. If the Irish Listing and Paying Agent is replaced at any time during the period, notice of the appointment of any replacement will be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

The full, complete and timely payment of (i) the Insured Amounts in respect of the Insured Notes on each Payment Date and (ii) any Insured Amount which subsequently is avoided in whole or in part as a preference payment under applicable law, will be irrevocably and unconditionally guaranteed pursuant to the Policy issued by the Insurer. See "The Insurer and the Policy."

## **Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement**

Pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agent will perform various fiscal services with respect to the Preference Shares on behalf of the Issuer, including the maintenance of the Preference Shares Distribution Account and the making of distributions on the Preference Shares. The Preference Shares Paying Agent will deliver or request the Trustee to deliver all Monthly Reports and Valuation Reports prepared pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deliver, or shall cause the Trustee or the Administrator to deliver, a copy of any other notice or information it receives from the Trustee under the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to each holder of a Preference Share at the address appearing in the Preference Share register. The payment of the fees and expenses of the Preference Shares Paying Agent is solely the obligation of the Issuer. The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement contains provisions for the indemnification of the Preference Shares Paying Agent for any loss, liability or expense incurred without gross negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith on its part, arising out of or in connection with the performance of its function under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Issuer is scheduled to redeem the Preference Shares for a redemption price equal to all amounts distributable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares as provided under "—Priority of Payments," unless the Preference Shares have been redeemed earlier through an optional redemption as described herein or otherwise.

The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York. The rights of the Holders of the Preference Shares will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the Cayman Islands.

## **The Issuer Charter**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Issuer Charter relating to the Preference Shares that are not referred to elsewhere in this Offering Circular.

### *Voting Rights*

Other than as provided below, only the holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares shall have the right to receive notice of, attend at and vote as a shareholder of the Issuer at any general meeting of the Issuer. Every holder of an Issuer Ordinary Share present at any meeting shall, on a show of hands, be entitled to one vote and, on a poll, shall be entitled to one vote per Issuer Ordinary Share held by such holder.

The Holders of the Preference Shares shall have the right to receive notice of, attend at and vote as a shareholder of the Issuer at any general meeting of the Issuer only in respect of a resolution which relates to any circumstance or matter which under the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents or the Management Agreement can take place or occur only at the direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares (a "**Preference Share Vote**"). Every Holder of Preference Shares present shall, on a show of hands, be entitled to one vote and, on a poll, shall be entitled to one vote per Preference Share held by such Holder except that, in relation to a Preference Share Vote relating to certain matters (as set out in the Indenture) Preference Shares held by certain Holders (as set out in the Indenture), shall be ignored.

### *Liquidation*

In the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Issuer:

(i) the Holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares at the time outstanding will be entitled to receive out of the assets of the Issuer available for distribution to shareholders, before any distribution of

assets is made to Holders of the Preference Shares, an amount equal to U.S.\$2.00 in respect of each Issuer Ordinary Share held by each such holder; and

(ii) the Holders of the Preference Shares at the time Outstanding will be entitled to the balance of the assets of the Issuer available for distribution to shareholders, after distribution of amounts due to holders of Issuer Ordinary Shares under the above subparagraph, *pro rata* according to the number of Preference Shares held by each such holder.

If the assets available for distribution to holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares are not sufficient to pay to such holders U.S.\$2.00 in respect of each Issuer Ordinary Share, the available assets shall be distributed to holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares *pro rata* according to the number of Issuer Ordinary Shares held by each such holder.

#### *Transfer*

The rights of a Holder of a Preference Share to transfer such Preference Share are subject to restrictions set out in the Preference Share Documents and as described in "Transfer Restrictions."

#### *Petitions for Bankruptcy*

Each Holder of a Preference Share will be required to agree (or be deemed to have agreed) not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect.

### **USE OF PROCEEDS**

The Securities will be issued and sold for Cash on the Closing Date. The gross proceeds from the issuance of such Securities on the Closing Date are expected to equal approximately U.S.\$689,000,000 and will be used by the Issuer to:

- purchase a portfolio of Collateral Obligations;
- fund the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to cover any future draws on Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans;
- enter into any Hedge Agreements, as applicable;
- enter into any Securities Lending Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the Securities Lending Account);
- enter into Synthetic Security Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the related accounts);
- repurchase and terminate Participations outstanding under the Warehouse Agreement (at a price reflecting the price originally paid by the Issuer to acquire the Warehoused Loan, *plus* the amount of extensions of credit in respect of certain Warehoused Loans, *minus* the aggregate amount of payments of principal received by the Warehouse Provider in respect of such Warehoused Loans (excluding the amount of any such payment that was required to be repaid or returned by the Warehouse Provider by claw-back or otherwise), *plus* all accrued and unpaid interest and fees on the Warehoused Loans;
- fund the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account;
- purchase the Treasury Strip for deposit into the Class 1 Component Account;

- pay an arrangement and advisory fee to Sumitomo Trust & Banking Co., Ltd.; and
- undertake certain related activities.

## SECURITY FOR THE NOTES AND THE COMPOSITE SECURITIES

The Notes, the Composite Securities and the Issuer's obligations under the Hedge Agreements, the Insurance Documents and the Management Agreement will be secured by the following:

- (i) the Collateral Obligations and all Workout Assets;
- (ii) the Custodial Account, the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Securities Lending Account (such accounts, collectively, the "Issuer Accounts"), Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, and all income from the investment of funds in the Issuer Accounts;
- (iii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account (and together with the Issuer Accounts, the "**Accounts**") and assets included therein, subject to the terms of the related Synthetic Security (*provided, however*, that any such rights in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee (or securities intermediary) first to secure the Issuer's payment obligations to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty and second for the benefit of the Secured Parties);
- (iv) the Management Agreement, the Securities Lending Agreements, the Hedge Agreements as set forth in the Indenture, the Collateral Administration Agreement and, solely for the benefit of the Holders of the Class A-1g Notes only, the Insurance Documents to the extent of any rights of the Issuer therein;
- (v) all Cash or money delivered to the Trustee (or its bailee); and
- (vi) all proceeds with respect to the foregoing (collectively, the "**Collateral**").

For the avoidance of any doubt, Collateral will exclude (i) amounts released from the Trustee's lien in connection with certain Synthetic Securities, Hedge Agreements and Securities Lending Agreements in accordance with the Indenture, (ii) the Class 1 Collateral, and (iii) the Excluded Property.

The Class 1 Composite Securities (to the extent of the Class 1 Component) will be secured by the Class 1 Component Account and the Treasury Strip deposited into the Class 1 Component Account and all proceeds with respect to the foregoing (collectively, the "**Class 1 Collateral**").

### Purchase of Collateral Obligations

The Indenture will provide that the Portfolio Manager will use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the Issuer to purchase or enter into binding commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations that meet certain minimum amounts and characteristics. The composition of the portfolio of Collateral Obligations will be eligible for purchase by the Issuer if it meets the Eligibility Criteria and will be determined by the selections of the Portfolio Manager designed to meet the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests and the Reinvestment Criteria. See "—Eligibility Criteria," "—The Collateral Quality Tests" and "—The Coverage Tests."

The Portfolio Manager expects that, by the end of the Ramp-Up Period, the Issuer will have purchased or committed to purchase Collateral Obligations having an Aggregate Principal Balance of

approximately \$663,000,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date).

### **Eligibility Criteria**

On any date during the Reinvestment Period (and, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations, on any date after the Reinvestment Period), so long as no Event of Default is continuing, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to invest or reinvest Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations) in Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) if the conditions specified in the Indenture are satisfied. No obligations may be purchased unless each of the conditions in the following clauses (1) through (12) (the "**Eligibility Criteria**") is satisfied as evidenced by a certificate of the Portfolio Manager as of the date the Issuer commits to make the purchase, in each case after giving effect to the purchase and all other purchases and sales previously or simultaneously committed to:

- (1) the obligation is a Collateral Obligation;
- (2) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period:
  - (A) each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied and, if the commitment is made on or after the second Payment Date, each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied; or
  - (B) if any such Coverage Test is not satisfied, both:
    - (i) the extent of satisfaction of the Coverage Test is not reduced; and
    - (ii) the Collateral Obligation is being purchased with Principal Proceeds other than:
      - (x) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or
      - (y) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Workout Asset that has been received in exchange for a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
- (3) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Diversity Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (4) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (5) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, each of the limits in the definition of "Concentration Limitations" is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (6) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

- (7) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (8) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (9) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (10) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (11) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced; provided, however, that this Eligibility Criterion (11) shall not apply either to reinvestment of the proceeds from the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset or to the reinvestment of Principal Proceeds in respect of Defaulted Collateral Obligations; and
- (12) for any date occurring after the Reinvestment Period:
  - (A) each Coverage Test is satisfied and the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
  - (B) each Collateral Quality Test is maintained or improved;
  - (C) each Concentration Limitation is maintained or improved;
  - (D) the maturity date of such Collateral Obligation will occur prior to the Stated Maturity of the Notes; and
  - (E) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation is at least equal to the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments or of the Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable.

The Issuer may, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, exchange a Collateral Obligation for another Collateral Obligation in an exchange of one security for another security of the same issuers that has substantially identical terms except transfer restrictions.

Cash on deposit in the Collection Account may be invested at any time in Eligible Investments in accordance with this "Eligibility Criteria" section pending investment in Collateral Obligations.

The Indenture provides that any sale or purchase by the Issuer of a Collateral Obligation shall be conducted on an arm's length basis and, if effected with the Portfolio Manager or a person Affiliated with the Portfolio Manager or any fund or account for which the Portfolio Manager or an Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager acts as investment adviser, shall be effected in accordance with the requirements the Management Agreement on terms no less favorable to the Issuer than would be the case if the person were not so Affiliated.

## **The Collateral Quality Tests**

The Collateral Quality Tests will be used primarily as criteria for purchasing Collateral Obligations. See "—Eligibility Criteria" above and "—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Reinvestment of Principal Proceeds and Reinvestment Criteria" below. The Collateral Quality Tests are described below.

Measurement of the degree of compliance with the Collateral Quality Tests will be required on each Measurement Date on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

### *The Diversity Test*

The "**Diversity Test**" is a test that will be satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Diversity Score as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score.

### *Weighted Average Life Test*

The "**Weighted Average Life Test**" is a that will be satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and March 15, 2014 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date.

### *Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test*

The "**Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test**" is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 44.5%.

### *Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test*

The "**Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test**" is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 49.3%.

"**S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate**" is a rate, as of any Measurement Date, equal to the number obtained by:

- (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate;
- (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations; and
- (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

### *Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test*

The "**Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test**" is a test that is satisfied if, as of any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 8.0 %.



*Weighted Average Spread Test*

The "**Weighted Average Spread Test**" is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread.

*Weighted Average Rating Factor Test*

The "**Weighted Average Rating Factor Test**" is a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of the Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor.

*S&P CDO Monitor Test*

The "**S&P CDO Monitor Test**" is a test that will be satisfied on any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive. The S&P CDO Monitor Test shall be considered to be improved if each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is at least equal to the corresponding Note Class Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio. The S&P CDO Monitor Test is not required to be satisfied or improved upon the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation and the reinvestment of the related Sale Proceeds in additional Collateral Obligations. For purposes of the S&P CDO Monitor Test:

- (i) the S&P Rating of any S&P Unrated DIP Loan shall be "CCC-"; and
- (ii) the S&P Industry Classification for a Synthetic Security shall be that of the related Reference Obligation and not the Synthetic Security.

The "**Note Class Loss Differential**" with respect to any Measurement Date and any Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the rate calculated by subtracting the Class Scenario Loss Rate for the Class from the then-applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate for the Class of Notes.

The "**Note Break-Even Loss Rate**" with respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the maximum percentage of defaults that the Current Portfolio or Proposed Portfolio can sustain and nevertheless sufficient funds will remain for the payment of principal of the Class of Notes in full by its Stated Maturity and the timely payment of interest on the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes and the ultimate payment of interest on the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes using S&P's assumptions on recoveries, defaults, and timing, and taking into account the Priority of Payments and the adjusted Weighted Average Spread level specified in the applicable row of the table below. The adjusted Weighted Average Spread as of any Measurement Date is the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date *minus* the amount of any Spread Excess added to the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon as of the Measurement Date.

<b>Row</b>	<b>Adjusted Weighted Average Spread</b>
1	Greater than or equal to 3.05 %
2	Greater than or equal to 2.95% but less than 3.05%
3	Greater than or equal to 2.85% but less than 2.95%
4	Greater than or equal to 2.75% but less than 2.85%
5	Greater than or equal to 2.65% but less than 2.75%
6	Greater than or equal to 2.55% but less than 2.65%
7	Greater than or equal to 2.45% but less than 2.55%

## **The Coverage Tests**

### *General*

The Coverage Tests will be used to determine, among other things, whether Notes will be redeemed in certain circumstances as described under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments" and whether additional Collateral Obligations may be acquired as described under "—Eligibility Criteria." There will not be any Coverage Test applicable to the Composite Securities or the Preference Shares.

### *The Overcollateralization Tests*

The "**Overcollateralization Tests**" will consist of the Class A Overcollateralization Test, the Class B Overcollateralization Test and the Class C Overcollateralization Test.

Each Overcollateralization Test will be satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes (treating the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes as one Class for this purpose) on any Measurement Date if, as of such Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the specified required level for the Class indicated in the table in "Summary of Terms—The Overcollateralization Tests."

The Overcollateralization Ratio, with respect to each Class of Notes (treating the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes as one Class for this purpose) on any Measurement Date, is referred to as an "**Overcollateralization Ratio**," and is the ratio calculated by *dividing*:

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator; by
- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it together with any Deferred Interest on the Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it.

The "**Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator**" is, on any date, the sum of:

- (1) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (other than any Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, any Deep Discount Obligations, and any Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an "event of default" (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing); *plus*
- (2) unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal (excluding any unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal in respect of Non-Performing Collateral Obligations); *plus*

- (3) the Aggregate Principal Balance of any Eligible Investments that were purchased with Principal Proceeds and the amount of Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
- (4) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Eligible Investments on deposit in a Securities Lending Account that relate to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an "event of default" (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing; *plus*
- (5) with respect Collateral Obligation that are Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, Deep Discount Obligations or Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, the amount determined by using one of the following methods applicable to such type of Collateral Obligation; *provided* that if a Collateral Obligation falls within more than one of such types, the Issuer will be required to use the method that results in the smallest amount:
  - (A) with respect to any Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, an amount equal to the product of (i) the lower of (1) 70% and (2) the weighted average Market Value of all CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances *multiplied* by (ii) the Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations
  - (B) with respect to any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, the aggregate of the Applicable Collateral Obligation Amounts for all included Non-Performing Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations that have been held by the Issuer for more than three years, which shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this clause (B)); and
  - (C) with respect to any Deep Discount Obligations, the Aggregate Purchase Price Amount for all Deep Discount Obligations.

As used in this definition, "**Applicable Collateral Obligation Amount**" for any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation means:

- (1) the lesser of (x) the Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation and (y) the Applicable Percentage for the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation *multiplied* by:
- (2) if the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation is:
  - (A) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (B) through (D) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
  - (B) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
  - (C) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and
  - (D) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

As used in the calculation of Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation, the Principal Balance of any Defaulted Obligation shall be, if the Defaulted Obligation is:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (ii) through (iv) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and
- (iv) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

*The Interest Coverage Tests*

The Interest Coverage Test in respect of each Class of Notes (each an "**Interest Coverage Test**") is a test the first Measurement Date for which will be on the second Payment Date and that is satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes (treating the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes as one Class for this purpose) if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level specified in the table in "Summary of Terms— The Interest Coverage Tests."

The "**Interest Coverage Ratio**" with respect to any specified Class of Notes (treating the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes as one Class for this purpose) on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by dividing:

- (i) the sum of:
  - (A) the Interest Proceeds received or scheduled to be received with respect to the Due Period in which the Measurement Date occurs; *minus*
  - (B) amounts payable under clauses (1), (2), (3) and (4) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" on the related Payment Date; *by*
- (ii) the sum of:
  - (A) all accrued and unpaid interest on the specified Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to the Class (excluding any Deferred Interest) on the related Payment Date; *plus*
  - (B) any accrued and unpaid Premium on the related Payment Date.

For purposes of the Interest Coverage Ratio, only the amount of any interest payment (including any "gross up" payment) on any Collateral Obligation in excess of any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction on any date of determination shall be included in Interest Proceeds.

*Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test*

The "**Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test**" is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date during the Reinvestment Period on which Class C Notes remain Outstanding, if the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 107.30%.

## Ramp-Up

In connection with the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer shall use its best efforts to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period or enter into commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period for purchase on or as soon as practicable thereafter (not to exceed 60 days thereafter), in each case, for inclusion in the Collateral so that each of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$663,000,000.

No Collateral Obligations may be purchased prior to the Ramp-Up Completion Date unless immediately following the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (as certified by the Portfolio Manager in writing), the remaining funds in the Collection Account, after giving effect to such purchase, are sufficient as of the date of determination to purchase Collateral Obligations for inclusion in the Collateral so that each of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$663,000,000 (taking into account the Collateral Obligations already part of the Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date)).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, or any other provision of the Indenture, if the Issuer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase a Collateral Obligation to be included in the Collateral, such commitment initially not to exceed 60 days, and at the time of the commitment the Collateral Obligation complied with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set forth under "—Ramp-Up," the Issuer may consummate the purchase of the Collateral Obligation notwithstanding that the Collateral Obligation fails to comply with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set out above on the date of settlement.

The Issuer will use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase, or to enter into binding agreements to purchase, Collateral Obligations by the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that, together with the Collateral Obligations purchased on or before the Closing Date and then held by the Issuer, will satisfy, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date), the Collateral Quality Tests, the Concentration Limitations, the criteria set forth in the Indenture and the Overcollateralization Tests.

On or prior to July 1, 2005, so long as the Ramp-Up Completion Date has not already occurred, the Portfolio Manager shall certify by an order of the Portfolio Manager delivered to the Issuer, the Trustee and Moody's that, as of such date: (i)(A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least \$575,000,000, or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer with proceeds from the sale of the Securities (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be) equals at least \$575,000,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date), (ii) the Diversity Score is equal to at least 45, (iii) the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied and (iv) each of the Coverage Tests are satisfied. If the Portfolio Manager is not able to certify each of the foregoing items, an Interim Ramp-Up Completion Date Failure shall occur.

Within 5 Business Days after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Issuer) shall request a Rating Confirmation on behalf of the Issuer and shall provide a report to the Rating Agencies identifying the Collateral Obligations then included in the Collateral and the Issuer shall obtain and deliver to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies, together with the delivery of a

report (and an electronic file of the Collateral Obligations to S&P) substantially in the form of a Monthly Report as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, an accountants' certificate:

(i) confirming the maturity date, rating, spread and recovery rate for each item of original Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date and the information provided by the Issuer with respect to every other asset included in the Collateral, by reference to such sources as shall be specified therein;

(ii) confirming that as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date:

(1) each of the Coverage Tests are satisfied;

(2) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owned or committed to purchase as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date is at least equal to the Maximum Investment Amount; and

(3) the Collateral Obligations comply with all of the requirements of the Collateral Quality Tests and the Concentration Limitations and the criteria set forth in "—Eligibility Criteria"; and

(iii) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing statements.

If a Rating Confirmation Failure should occur, the Notes will be redeemed pursuant to the Indenture and as described in "Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes upon Rating Confirmation Failure."

#### **Sale of Collateral Obligations; Reinvestment of Principal Proceeds and Reinvestment Criteria**

Pursuant to the Indenture and so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, direct the Trustee to sell (and the Trustee will sell) any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset if the sale meets the requirements in paragraphs (i) through (ix) below:

(i) *Credit Risk Securities.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Risk Obligation at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Risk Obligation in accordance with such direction. Following any sale of a Credit Risk Obligation pursuant to the Indenture, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager during the Reinvestment Period, the Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (to the extent the purchase is in the best interest of the Issuer) with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Sale Proceeds received by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral Obligation sold. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount.

(ii) *Credit Improved Obligations.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Improved Obligation if either:

(1) during the Reinvestment Period, the Portfolio Manager believes before the sale that it will be able to cause the Issuer to reinvest its Sale Proceeds, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria, in one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Credit Improved Obligation by the end of the immediately

succeeding Due Period (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest); or

- (2) after the Reinvestment Period, the Sale Proceeds received in respect of the Credit Improved Obligation are at least equal to its Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest);

and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Improved Obligation in accordance with such direction.

- (iii) *Non-Performing Collateral Obligations and Current-Pay Obligations.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Current-Pay Obligation at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Current-Pay Obligation in accordance with such direction. Non-Performing Collateral Obligations may be sold regardless of price.
- (iv) *Non-qualifying Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell that obligation in accordance with such direction.
- (v) *Withholding Tax Sales.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation subject to withholding tax at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction.
- (vi) *Optional Redemption.* After the Issuer has notified the Trustee of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all or a portion of the Collateral Obligations as contemplated therein if (A) the requirements in respect of an Optional Redemption under the Indenture have been satisfied and (B) the independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to the Indenture have confirmed the calculations contained in any required certificate furnished by the Portfolio Manager pursuant to the Indenture's Note redemption procedure provisions. After a Majority of the Preference Shares have directed an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Indenture, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all of the remaining Collateral Obligations (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to clause (i) under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares") or a portion of the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous directions of Holders of the Preference Shares (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to clause (ii) under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares") and the Trustee shall sell the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.
- (vii) *Rating Confirmation Failure.* After the Portfolio Manager has received notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes at par on any subsequent Payment Date

in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Securities, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, direct the Trustee to sell Collateral Obligations as contemplated in the Indenture and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

(viii) *Discretionary Sales.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation:

(1) at any time on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without regard to any restriction specified in clause (2) below); and

(2) at any time after the Ramp-Up Completion Date if:

(A) after giving effect to the sale and the sale of any other Collateral Obligations whose sale is pending, the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations sold under "—Discretionary Sales" (in each case determined as of the date the direction to sell is given) is not greater than 20% of the Maximum Investment Amount as of January 1 of such calendar year (or, for the first calendar year, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date) (for the purpose of determining the percentage of Collateral Obligations sold during any such period, the amount of any Collateral Obligation sold shall be reduced (a) to the extent of any purchases of Collateral Obligations of the same obligor (which are *pari passu* with such sold Collateral Obligation) occurring within 30 Business Days of the sale (determined based on the date of any relevant trade confirmation or commitment letter) (but only for so long as (x) the Collateral Obligations purchased have not been downgraded by any of the Rating Agencies during the 30 Business Day period, (y) the Collateral Obligations have not been purchased from the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates acting, in each case, as principal or from any funds or accounts advised or managed by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates, and (z) the purchase price of each such Collateral Obligation must not exceed the sale price of the sold Collateral Obligation) and (b) to the extent of any purchases of Collateral Obligations permitted pursuant to the second paragraph set forth under "—Eligibility Criteria"; and

(B) during the Reinvestment Period the Portfolio Manager believes before the sale that it will be able to cause the Issuer within 30 days thereafter to reinvest or commit to reinvest its Sale Proceeds, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria, in one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Collateral Obligation (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest);

and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction. However, if the rating by Moody's of any of the Senior Class A Notes (without giving effect to the Policy), the Class A-2 Notes or the Class A-3 Notes is one or more rating sub-categories below the Initial Rating of the Senior Class A Notes (without giving effect to the Policy), the Class A-2 Notes or the Class A-3 Notes or has been withdrawn or the



rating by Moody's of the Class B Notes or the Class C Notes is two or more rating subcategories below the Initial Rating of the Class B Notes or the Class C Notes or has been withdrawn, the Issuer shall not instruct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligations pursuant to "—Discretionary Sales." This restriction may be waived by written consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class. For the purposes of this clause (viii), any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not restrict the sale of any Collateral Obligations pursuant to "—Discretionary Sales" if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody's has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Senior Class A Notes (without giving effect to the Policy), the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes, or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes.

- (ix) *Workout Assets.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Workout Asset at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and regardless of price and the Trustee shall sell the Workout Assets in accordance with such direction.

### **Certain Determinations Relating to Collateral Obligations**

The Indenture provides that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained therein, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have purchased any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer delivers to the Trustee a contract to purchase, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to receive such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have acquired, granted or delivered, as the case may be, such Collateral Obligations on such date.

The Indenture provides that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained therein, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer delivers to the Trustee a contract to sell, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to sell, and requiring the purchaser to purchase, such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold such Collateral Obligations on such date.

Under the circumstances described in the two preceding paragraphs, if the transaction contemplated by the contract, commitment letter, confirmation or due bill referred to therein does not settle on or before the 60<sup>th</sup> day following the scheduled settlement date (the "**Deadline**"), the deemed purchase or sale shall be deemed not to have occurred; *provided, however*, that the Portfolio Manager shall have the right to extend the Deadline for an additional period (not to exceed an additional 60 days) by notice to the Trustee, which notice shall include the Portfolio Manager's certification to the effect that the Portfolio Manager believes that the settlement shall occur on or before the extended Deadline.

Scheduled distributions with respect to any Pledged Collateral Obligation shall be determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Indenture.

### **The Accounts**

The Indenture provides that the Trustee will establish separate segregated non-interest bearing trust accounts, which will be designated as the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Custodial Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Policy Payment

Account and the Securities Lending Account. In addition, Synthetic Security Counterparty Accounts may also be established. Any account may contain any number of subaccounts.

*Collection Account.* The Trustee shall deposit into the "**Collection Account**":

- (i) any funds transferred from (1) the Closing Date Expense Account pursuant to the Indenture or (2) the Interest Reserve Account pursuant to the Indenture;
- (ii) all Principal Proceeds (unless (1) simultaneously reinvested in Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture, (2) deposited into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or (3) posted by the Issuer as cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security or in Eligible Investments) received by the Trustee;
- (iii) all Interest Proceeds received by the Trustee (unless simultaneously reinvested in accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture or in Eligible Investments); and
- (iv) all other funds received by the Trustee and not excluded above.

The Issuer and the Portfolio Manager may, but will not be required to, jointly deposit from time to time any monies in the Collection Account it deems, in its sole discretion, to be advisable (and may designate any amounts so deposited as Principal Proceeds or Interest Proceeds in its discretion).

Any Principal Proceeds received during the Reinvestment Period, and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments received after the Reinvestment Period, which have not been reinvested in additional Collateral Obligations on the Business Day of receipt shall be deposited in the Collection Account and shall at the direction of the Portfolio Manager be applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the other requirements set forth in the Indenture or the purchase of Eligible Investments pending such investment or used to enter into additional Hedge Agreements or used in connection with a Special Redemption. Principal Proceeds (other than Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments) received after the Reinvestment Period shall be deposited into the Collection Account and applied to the purchase of Eligible Investments.

The Collection Account shall be maintained for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Composite Securityholders, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager and each Hedge Counterparty and amounts on deposit in the Collection Account will be available for application in the order of priority under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments" and for the acquisition of Collateral Obligations under the circumstances and pursuant to the requirements in the Indenture. Amounts received in the Collection Account during a Due Period and amounts received in prior Due Periods and retained in the Collection Account under the circumstances stated above in "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments" will be invested in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions). All proceeds deposited in the Collection Account will be retained therein unless used to purchase Collateral Obligations during the Reinvestment Period (or, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations, after the Reinvestment Period) in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria, to honor commitments with respect thereto entered into during or after the Reinvestment Period, or used as otherwise permitted under the Indenture. See "—Eligibility Criteria."

The Trustee shall transfer to the Payment Account from the Collection Account for application pursuant to the Priority of Payments, no later than the Business Day preceding each Payment Date, the amount set forth to be so transferred in the Valuation Report for the Payment Date.

At any time during or after the Reinvestment Period, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to pay from amounts on deposit in the Collection Account on any Business Day during any Interest Period from Interest Proceeds only, any Administrative Expenses that require payment before the next Payment Date to the extent that the amount of the payments does not exceed the aggregate amount that may be paid on the next payment Date under, and at the level of priority specified by, "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds."

*Custodial Account.* The Trustee will from time to time deposit collateral into the "**Custodial Account**", over which the Trustee will have exclusive control and sole right of withdrawal, in accordance with the Indenture. All assets or securities at any time on deposit in or otherwise to the credit of the Custodial Account will be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Composite Securityholders, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager and each Hedge Counterparty.

*Revolving Reserve Account and Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account.* Upon the purchase of any Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee shall deposit Principal Proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account," in the case of a Revolving Loan, and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account," in the case of a Delayed Drawdown Loan, each equal to the unfunded commitment amount of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, respectively, and the Principal Proceeds so deposited shall be considered part of the Purchase Price of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan for purposes of the Indenture. At the direction of the Portfolio Manager at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period, the Trustee shall withdraw funds from the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to fund extensions of credit pursuant to Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans, respectively. In addition, to the extent that the Issuer receives proceeds of a repayment in respect of a Revolving Loan (except to the extent of any concurrent commitment reduction) at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period, the Trustee shall deposit the proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account.

Upon the sale of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan in whole or in part or the reduction in part or termination of the Issuer's commitment thereunder, an amount on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, as the case may be, specified by the Portfolio Manager as being equal to (i) the unfunded amount of the commitment (in the case of a sale in whole or a termination of the commitment), (ii) the proportionate amount of the amount on deposit (in the case of a sale in part) or (iii) the amount by which the commitment is reduced (in the case of a reduction thereof in part), shall be transferred by the Trustee to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds.

Amounts on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account will be invested in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions) not later than the Business Day after the date of their purchase. All interest and other income from amounts in the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account under the Indenture shall be considered Interest Proceeds in the Due Period in which they are so deposited.

*Synthetic Security Collateral Account.* On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Synthetic Security the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the non-interest bearing trust account established for Synthetic Security Collateral (the "**Synthetic Security Collateral Account**") with respect to the Synthetic Security. All Synthetic Security Collateral posted by any Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Synthetic Security shall be immediately deposited into the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Synthetic Security. On each day on which amounts are payable to the Issuer out of Synthetic Security

Collateral, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to withdraw amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in an amount sufficient to make the payment (including any total or partial release of Synthetic Security Collateral). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be:

- (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty to the Issuer under a Securities Lending Agreement if the Securities Lending Agreement becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the related Securities Lending Agreement upon any "event of default" under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement, including liquidating the related Securities Lending Collateral; or
- (ii) to return the Securities Lending Collateral to the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Securities Lending Agreement, in each case as directed by the Portfolio Manager.

Amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account will be invested in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities not later than one Business Day after their purchase, as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions), and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.* The Trustee will deposit all collateral received from a Hedge Counterparty under any Hedge Agreement into the "**Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account**". The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account will be (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer under a Hedge Agreement if the Hedge Agreement becomes subject to early termination or (ii) to return collateral to the relevant Hedge Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Hedge Agreement, in each case as directed by the Portfolio Manager. Amounts on deposit in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account will be invested in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Closing Date Expense Account.* Amounts deposited in the "**Closing Date Expense Account**" on the Closing Date will be withdrawn to pay certain administrative expenses of the Co-Issuers. On the Payment Date in November 2005, the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds and close the Closing Date Expense Account. Amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account shall be invested in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the second Payment Date as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Expense Reimbursement Account.* On any Payment Date and on any date between Payment Dates, the Trustee will apply amounts, if any, in the "**Expense Reimbursement Account**" to the payment of expenses and fees that must be paid between Payment Dates or that are due on that Payment Date under clause (1) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" and the Trustee shall on any Payment Date transfer to the Expense Reimbursement Account an amount equal to the excess, if any of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts due under clause (1) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" to the Expense Reimbursement Account in accordance with clause (2) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds." Amounts on deposit in the Expense Reimbursement Account shall be invested in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions), no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date.

*Securities Lending Account.* The Trustee will deposit all Securities Lending Collateral posted by any Securities Lending Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Securities Lending Agreement in a non-interest bearing trust account (the "**Securities Lending Account**"). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Securities Lending Account will be (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty to the Issuer under a Securities Lending Agreement if the Securities Lending Agreement becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the Securities Lending Agreement upon any "event of default" under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement, including liquidating the related Securities Lending Collateral or (ii) to return collateral to the Hedge Counterparty when and as required by a Hedge Agreement. Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be invested in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions) no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the loaned security or asset that relates to the Securities Lending Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer.

*Payment Account.* The Trustee will deposit collateral into the "**Payment Account**", over which the Trustee will have exclusive control and sole right of withdrawal, in accordance with the Indenture. All assets or securities at any time on deposit in or otherwise to the credit of the Payment Account will be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Composite Securityholders, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, and each Hedge Counterparty. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Payment Account shall be to pay amounts due and payable on the Notes and to pay Administrative Expenses, Premium, Accrued Insurance Liabilities and other amounts specified in the Indenture, each in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

*Interest Reserve Account.* Amounts deposited in the "**Interest Reserve Account**", on the Closing Date will be withdrawn to pay amounts necessary such that the amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (14) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" will be paid in full on each Payment Date occurring on or before the Payment Date in November 2005. On the Payment Date in November 2005, the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds and close the Interest Reserve Account. Amounts on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account shall be invested in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Portfolio Manager (which may be in the form of standing instructions), no later than the Business Day before the second Payment Date.

*Synthetic Security Counterparty Account.* To the extent that any Synthetic Security requires the Issuer to secure its obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee and the Trustee shall establish a segregated non-interest bearing trust account (the "**Synthetic Security Counterparty Account**") for the Synthetic Security which shall be held in trust for the benefit of the related Synthetic Security Counterparty and over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and the Indenture. In the alternative, a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account may be established with a trustee designated by the Synthetic Security Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that trustee would qualify to be a successor trustee under the Indenture and the account satisfies the other requirements of a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account under the Indenture.

As directed in writing by the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee shall deposit (or deliver for deposit) into each Synthetic Security Counterparty Account all amounts or securities that are required to secure the obligations of the Issuer in accordance with the related Synthetic Security, including the entire notional amount of any Synthetic Security in the form of a credit default swap or other similar transaction. The Portfolio Manager shall direct any such deposit only during the Reinvestment Period and only to the extent that monies are available for the purchase of Collateral Obligations pursuant to the Indenture. Any income received on amounts in the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall, after application in

accordance with the relevant Synthetic Security, be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Interest Proceeds.

As directed by the Portfolio Manager in writing and in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and the Indenture, amounts on deposit in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be invested in Synthetic Security Collateral.

In connection with the occurrence of a credit event or an event of default or a termination event (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security) under the related Synthetic Security, amounts in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be withdrawn by the Trustee (or the Trustee shall request their withdrawal) and applied toward the payment of any amounts payable by the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the Synthetic Security, as directed by the Portfolio Manager in writing. Any excess amounts held in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, or held directly by a Synthetic Security Counterparty, after payment of all amounts owing from the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the related Synthetic Security shall be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Principal Proceeds.

Amounts on deposit in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the Synthetic Security that relates to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer (with the notional amount as the Principal Balance unless a default exists under the applicable Synthetic Security).

*Class 1 Component Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account (the "**Class 1 Component Account**") that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, and into which the Trustee shall deposit the United States Treasury strip security maturing on November 15, 2016 paying a principal amount at maturity equal to the original principal amount of the Class 1 Composite Securities specified in "Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities" (the "**Treasury Strip**"), which Treasury Strip shall be delivered to the Trustee by the Issuer on the Closing Date. All assets or securities at any time on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Class 1 Component Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities. The only permitted withdrawals from the Class 1 Component Account shall be in accordance with the Indenture. None of the Co-Issuers, the Noteholders, the Holders of Preference Shares (other than the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities, to the extent of their Preference Share Components) or any other Secured Party shall have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Class 1 Component Account.

*Policy Payment Account.* The Trustee shall deposit all amounts received from the Insurer under the Policy in the "**Policy Payment Account**", over which the Trustee will have exclusive control and sole right of withdrawal, in accordance with the Indenture. Amounts held in the Policy Payment Account shall not be invested, unless otherwise instructed in writing by the Insurer. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Policy Payment Account shall be to make payments in respect of the amounts due on the Insured Notes on the related Payment Date in respect of which such funds are paid, to the extent such amounts are not paid pursuant to the Priority of Payments. Any monies held in the Policy Payment Account after the distributions made pursuant to the

Indenture on any Payment Date shall promptly be remitted (but in no event later than two Business Days after such Payment Date) to the Insurer.

## **Hedge Agreements**

At any time and from time to time after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, shall enter into the Hedge Agreements and shall assign its rights (but none of its

obligations) under the Hedge Agreements to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture and the collateral assignment of Hedge Agreements. The Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, shall obtain the approval of each new Hedge Agreement from each Hedge Counterparty to a then-existing Hedge Agreement. The Trustee shall, on behalf of the Issuer and in accordance with the Valuation Report, pay amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements on any Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Each Hedge Counterparty will be required to have (i) a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "Aa3" (which rating of "Aa3" is not on credit watch for a possible downgrade) or higher if the Hedge Counterparty has only a long-term rating; or a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "A1" (which rating of "A1" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) or higher and a debt rating by Moody's for short-term debt of "P-1" (which rating of "P-1" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) if the Hedge Counterparty has both long-term and short-term ratings and (ii) a short-term debt rating by S&P of not less than "A-1" or a long-term debt rating of not less than "A+" (the "**Required Rating**").

If at any time a Hedge Counterparty has:

- (A) no short-term Moody's rating and a long-term Moody's rating and that rating is below "Aa3" or is "Aa3" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's; or
- (B) both a short-term and long-term Moody's rating; and either:
  - (i) the long-term Moody's rating is below "A1" or that rating is "A1" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's, or
  - (ii) the short-term Moody's rating is below "P-1" or that rating is "P-1" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's;

then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within 30 days, either:

- (i) post collateral with the Trustee to secure the Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement, in an amount and of the type sufficient to cause the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's to be satisfied;
- (ii) obtain a guarantor whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the above criteria;
- (iii) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the above criteria; or
- (iv) take other actions to satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's.

If at any time the Hedge Counterparty has:

- (A) no short-term Moody's rating and a long-term Moody's rating that is "A2" or below or has been suspended or withdrawn;
- (B) both a short-term and long-term Moody's rating; and either:

- (i) the long-term Moody's rating is "A3" or below or is suspended or withdrawn; or
  - (ii) the short-term Moody's rating is "P-2" or below; or
- (C) a short-term debt rating by S&P below "A-1" or, if the Hedge Counterparty has no short-term rating by S&P, a long-term rating by S&P below "A+" or that has been suspended or withdrawn;

then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within 30 days, either:

- (i) post collateral as required by the Hedge Agreement to secure the Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement in an amount and of the type sufficient to cause the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's and S&P to be satisfied; or
- (ii) (x) obtain a guarantor that has a Required Rating and that will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P with respect to its appointment; (y) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has a Required Rating and the appointment of which will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P; or (z) take such other actions to satisfy the Ratings Condition.

Any payments required to be made under the Hedge Agreements shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Hedge termination payments shall be subordinate to interest and principal payments on the Notes and any other payments required to be made by the Issuer under the Hedge Agreements, but senior distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Indenture.

Unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is otherwise satisfied, following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) the Issuer, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, shall promptly (but no later than 60 days after the early termination), at the expense of the Issuer and to the extent possible through Hedge Termination Receipts, enter into a replacement hedge, unless, in the exercise of the Portfolio Manager's commercially reasonable judgment, to do so would not be in the best interest of the Issuer and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to not entering into a replacement hedge. In addition, a replacement hedge may not be entered into unless the Issuer provides the Rating Agencies with at least seven Business Days' prior written notice of its intention to enter into a replacement hedge, together with its form and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the replacement hedge. The Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than a termination resulting from the bankruptcy, insolvency, or similar event with respect to the Hedge Counterparty) to become effective simultaneously with its entering into a replacement hedge. To the extent that (i) the Portfolio Manager determines not to replace the Hedge Agreement and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the determination; or (ii) termination is occurring on a Redemption Date, the Hedge Termination Receipts shall become part of Principal Proceeds and be distributed in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the next following Payment Date (or on the Redemption Date, if the Notes are redeemed on the Redemption Date).

The notional amounts of the Hedge Agreements outstanding at any time may be reduced or increased from time to time, by the Issuer, and the Hedge Agreements may be amended, modified, or terminated in accordance with the Hedge Agreements if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the reduction, increase, amendment, modification, or termination, as the case may be.



Each Hedge Agreement may be terminated pursuant to its terms upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes or an acceleration of maturity of the Notes after an Event of Default. The Hedge Agreement will not be permitted to be terminated as the result of a Default or Event of Default unless any acceleration of maturity of the Notes resulting from the Event of Default is no longer permitted to be rescinded pursuant to the Indenture.

Except for Hedge Agreements entered into on or before the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied.

### **Securities Lending**

The Indenture permits the Issuer to engage in a limited number of securities lending transactions as described below.

The Portfolio Manager may instruct the Trustee to cause Collateral Obligations that are not Defaulted Collateral Obligations to be lent for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) having long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or guarantors with ratings of at least "A1" (and not "A1" but on credit watch with negative implications) and "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A" from S&P (each, a "**Securities Lending Counterparty**") pursuant to one or more agreements (each, a "**Securities Lending Agreement**"); *provided that* Collateral Obligations the Market Value of which cannot be determined under clause (i), (ii) or (iii) of that definition may not be lent pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement. Upon receipt of an Issuer Order, the Trustee shall release any lent Collateral Obligations to a Securities Lending Counterparty as directed by the Portfolio Manager. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser or Affiliates of the Portfolio Manager. The duration of any Securities Lending Agreement shall not exceed the Stated Maturity of the Notes. Collateral Obligations representing no more than 15% (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of the Maximum Investment Amount may be loaned pursuant to Securities Lending Agreements at any time.

Each Securities Lending Agreement shall be on market terms as determined by the Portfolio Manager (except to the extent specified in the Indenture) and shall:

- (i) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty return to the Issuer debt obligations that are identical (in terms of issue and class) to the lent Collateral Obligations;
- (ii) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty pay to the Issuer amounts equivalent to all interest and other payments that the owner of the lent Collateral Obligation is entitled to for the period during which the Collateral Obligation is lent and require that any such payments not be subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the Securities Lending Counterparty is required under the Securities Lending Agreement to make "gross-up" payments to the Issuer that cover the full amount of the withholding tax on an after-tax basis;
- (iii) require that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency shall be satisfied with respect to the execution of the Securities Lending Agreement;
- (iv) satisfy any other requirements of Section 1058 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated under it;
- (v) be governed by the laws of New York;

- (vi) permit the Issuer to assign its rights under the Securities Lending Agreement to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture;
- (vii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Collateral Obligation becomes a Credit Risk Obligation or is subject to redemption in accordance with its terms;
- (viii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty upon any redemption of the Notes or Composite Securities in whole;
- (ix) require the Securities Lending Counterparty to post with the Trustee collateral consisting of cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the Securities Lending Agreement to secure its obligation to return the Collateral Obligations or in the alternative post that collateral with a custodian for the benefit of the Issuer designated by the Securities Lending Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that custodian would qualify to be a successor trustee under the Indenture;
- (x) provide that the Securities Lending Collateral shall be maintained at all times in an amount equal to at least 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value (determined daily and monitored by the Portfolio Manager) of the lent Collateral Obligations and if securities are delivered to the Trustee as security for the obligations of the Securities Lending Counterparty under the related Securities Lending Agreement, the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer will negotiate with the Securities Lending Counterparty a rate for the loan fee to be paid to the Issuer for lending the lent Collateral Obligations;
- (xi) the lent Collateral Obligations shall be marked-to-market on a daily basis by the Portfolio Manager on the basis of their Market Value;
- (xii) the Collateral will include the Issuer's rights under the related Securities Lending Agreement rather than the loaned Collateral Obligation;
- (xiii) provide for early termination within 10 days at the option of the Issuer and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Securities Lending Counterparty is no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty and the noncompliance is not cured as provided in the Indenture; and
- (xiv) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Securities Lending Counterparty) equivalent (mutatis mutandis) to those in the Indenture.

In addition, each Securities Lending Agreement must provide that if either Moody's or S&P downgrades a Securities Lending Counterparty such that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party are no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty, then the Issuer, within 10 days of the downgrade, shall (i) terminate its Securities Lending Agreements with the Securities Lending Counterparty unless a guarantor for the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements has been obtained; or (ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations lent to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty so that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party, together with all other Securities Lending Agreements, are in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of Securities Lending Counterparties; or (iii) take any other steps Moody's or S&P may require to cause the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party to be treated by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, as if the obligations were owed by a counterparty having a rating at least equivalent to the rating that was assigned by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty before its being downgraded.

The Portfolio Manager shall instruct the Trustee in writing with respect to the administration of any Securities Lending Agreement (including with respect to any default and the exercise of rights under it). The Trustee shall not have any responsibility for evaluating the sufficiency, validity, or acceptability of any Securities Lending Agreement or for the qualifications or eligibility of any Securities Lending Counterparty. Nothing in the Indenture shall be construed to cause the Trustee to have any fiduciary duties to any Securities Lending Counterparty.

So long as any Collateral Obligation is on loan pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement, (a) the Trustee shall have no liability for any failure or inability on its part to receive any information or take any action with respect to the Collateral Obligation because of its being on loan (including any failure to take action with respect to a notice of redemption, consent solicitation, exchange or tender offer, or similar corporate action) and (b) the loaned Collateral Obligations shall not be disqualified for return to the Trustee as a Collateral Obligation by any change in circumstance or status during the time while on loan (including any change that would cause the Collateral Obligation to be ineligible for purchase by the Issuer under the Indenture if applied to a proposed purchase of it in the open market at the time of its return from loan).

## **MATURITY AND PREPAYMENT CONSIDERATIONS**

The Stated Maturity of each Class of Notes and Composite Securities will be the Payment Date in February, 2017 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date; *however*, the principal of each Class of the Notes and Composite Securities is expected to be paid in full prior to its Stated Maturity (or Extended Stated Maturity Date, as applicable). Average life refers to the average amount of time that will elapse from the date of delivery of a security until each dollar of the principal of such security will be paid to the investor. The average lives of the Notes will be determined by the amount and frequency of principal payments, which are dependent upon, among other things, the amount of sinking fund payments and any other payments received at or in advance of the scheduled maturity of Collateral Obligations (whether through sale, maturity, redemption, default or other liquidation or disposition). The average lives of the Composite Securities will be dependent on the proceeds received on its Components.

The actual performance of the Securities will also be affected by the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral Obligations and the characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, including the interest rate or other rate of distribution, the actual default rate and actual losses sustained, the existence and frequency of exercise of any prepayment, optional redemption, or sinking fund features and any related premium, the prevailing level of interest rates, any sales of Collateral Obligations, and any unique risks of the Collateral Obligations. Any disposition of a Collateral Obligation may change the composition and characteristics of the portfolio of Collateral Obligations and their rate of payment, and,

accordingly, may affect the actual performance of each respective Class of Securities. The ability of the Issuer to reinvest any Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds in the manner described under "Security for the Notes and the Composite Securities " will also affect the performance of the Securities. Redemptions will also affect the performance of the Securities.

### **THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER**

*The information appearing in this section has been prepared by the Portfolio Manager and has not been independently verified by the Co-Issuers or JPMorgan. Accordingly, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Co-Issuers and JPMorgan do not assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or applicability of such information.*

#### **General**

Based in Dallas, Texas, Highland Capital is a registered investment adviser specializing in below investment grade credit and special situation investing. As of November 30, 2004, Highland Capital managed over \$11 billion in leveraged loans, high yield bonds, structured products and other assets for banks, insurance companies, pension plans, foundations, and high net worth individuals.

As of November 30, 2004, Highland Capital employed 35 investment professionals with over 800 credits owned and 900 credits followed. Portfolios as of November 30, 2004 include 14 structured investment vehicles (including 8 CLOs), 2 separate accounts and 5 hedge funds. Additionally, Highland Capital manages 4 closed-end registered investment companies listed on the NYSE.

#### *Investment Philosophy and Process*

Highland Capital's investment philosophy is based on a belief that fundamental research and disciplined asset acquisition/disposition produces superior long-term results. Highland Capital's investment approach seeks to generate superior performance with muted volatility. Highland Capital anticipates long-term secular trends and identifies those sectors and issues that it believes have the highest relative value characteristics. Highland Capital's process and philosophy have been consistent over time.

Highland Capital has a large range and depth of experience. It has expertise in syndicated loans, high yield bonds, and distressed investments. Highland Capital believes it is in a position to arbitrage disparities in the historical spread relationship between various below investment grade asset classes. Highland Capital believes that, historically, the most inefficient asset classes have demonstrated the best risk/return characteristics.

Highland Capital has invested over \$200 million of firm capital in its funds, and expects that one of its Affiliates or funds will invest \$13.2 million aggregate Face Amount in the Preference Shares of the Issuer. Additionally, Highland Capital believes that it strives to minimize operating expenses and hires the brightest and most talented professionals, insisting on a high degree of dedication and integrity.

Highland Capital believes that its disciplined investment process minimizes a portfolio's risk and that its strategy seeks to maximize current yield over capital appreciation while limiting downside risk. Portfolio managers actively follow each credit and several times each year the entire investment staff reviews all positions during multi-day monitoring meetings. Highland Capital diversifies its portfolios with set limits on exposure to any one given industry or issuer. Highland Capital believes that this philosophy and process has resulted in positive returns in 46 of the last 48 quarters on its underlying loan portfolio and consistent outperformance relative to its indices.

Highland Capital focuses on a "team" approach that it has used since the investment committee started in 1990. It is Highland Capital management's belief that this style creates the optimum environment for the exchange of information and the development of all investment professionals. All aspects of the investment process are coordinated through the committee's direct interaction. The

investment committee meets every morning to discuss the market, investment strategy, and credits. In addition, the firm maintains an "informal" open door policy with regards to investment or personal issues. The committee is composed of senior management and portfolio managers/analysts. Collectively, the committee utilizes an investment process which is driven by fundamental credit research. Each portfolio manager/analyst makes specific credit recommendations based upon industry coverage. The investment proposal is then brought to the investment committee for consideration. Based upon the consensus decision, the portfolio manager with the recommendation will direct Highland traders to execute the trade. Highland Capital has also provided its investment committee with a strong commitment to technology. The firm developed Wall Street Office® which is a proprietary software system that allows Highland Capital to model, portfolio manage, and trade syndicated loans. This software has been licensed to more than 70 financial institutions that invest in syndicated loans.

### **Professionals of the Portfolio Manager**

Set forth below is information regarding certain persons who are currently employed by the Portfolio Manager. Such persons may not necessarily continue to be so employed during the entire term of the Management Agreement.

#### **Senior Management**

##### **James Dondero, CFA, CPA, CMA – President**

Mr. Dondero is a Founder and President of Highland Capital. Formerly, Mr. Dondero served as Chief Investment Officer of Protective Life's GIC subsidiary and helped grow the business from concept to over \$2 billion between 1989 and 1993. His portfolio management experience includes mortgage-backed securities, investment grade corporates, leveraged bank loans, emerging markets, derivatives, preferred stocks and common stocks. From 1985 to 1989, he managed approximately \$1 billion in fixed income funds for American Express. Mr. Dondero is a Beta Gamma Sigma graduate of the University of Virginia with degrees in Accounting and Finance. He completed financial training at Morgan Guaranty Trust Company. Mr. Dondero is a Certified Public Accountant, Chartered Financial Analyst and a Certified Management Accountant.

##### **Mark Okada, CFA – Chief Investment Officer**

Mr. Okada is a Founder and Chief Investment Officer of Highland Capital. He is responsible for overseeing Highland's investment activities for its various funds and has over 19 years of experience in the leveraged finance market. Formerly, Mr. Okada served as Manager of Fixed Income for Protective Life's GIC subsidiary from 1990 to 1993. He was primarily responsible for the bank loan portfolio and other risk assets. Protective was one of the first non-bank entrants into the syndicated loan market. From 1986 to 1990, he served as Vice President for Hibernia National Bank, managing over \$1 billion of high yield bank loans. Mr. Okada is an honors graduate of the University of California Los Angeles with degrees in Economics and Psychology. He completed his credit training at Mitsui and is a Chartered Financial Analyst. Mr. Okada is also Chairman of the Board of Directors of Common Grace Ministries Inc.

##### **Todd Travers, CFA – Partner – Head of CDOs**

Mr. Travers is the primary portfolio manager for Highland Capital's par debt funds, a member of the Credit Committee, and heads a team that is responsible for structuring new transactions and implementing additional opportunities in Highland Capital's core businesses. Formerly, Mr. Travers served as Portfolio Manager/Portfolio Analyst from 1994 to 1998 for Highland Capital. In 1999, he was promoted to Senior Portfolio Manager and his duties were expanded beyond sector portfolio management to include the origination, structuring and issuance of new structured vehicles, including Highland Loan Funding V Ltd. and Restoration Funding Ltd. His prior responsibilities included managing a portion of

Highland Capital's leveraged loan and high yield debt portfolios with an emphasis on technology and aviation transactions. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Travers was a Finance Manager at American Airlines. Mr. Travers is a graduate of Iowa State University with a BS in Industrial Engineering. He received his MBA with an emphasis in Finance from Southern Methodist University. Mr. Travers is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

**Jack Yang – Head of Business Development**

Mr. Yang is responsible for new product development, fundraising, and investor relations, and heads the firm's New York Office. Prior to joining Highland Capital, he was Managing Director and Global Head of Leveraged Finance Products at Merrill Lynch. He joined Merrill Lynch in 1994 to establish the firm's syndicated loan activities and co-headed the firm's Global Leveraged Finance Division from 1999 to 2001. In addition to heading the syndicated loan activities of the firm, while at Merrill Lynch he had significant responsibility for establishing and managing the \$1.5 billion ML Bridge Loan Fund, the \$1.1 billion ML Mezzanine Fund, and the European Leveraged Finance Group. He was a senior member of the firm's Debt Markets Commitment Committee and Mezzanine Investment Committee. Prior to joining Merrill, he spent 11 years at Chemical Securities, Inc. and was a founding member of the Global Syndicated Finance Division. Mr. Yang is a member of the Board of Directors of The Loan Syndications and Trading Association, and is a member of the Governance and Public Relations Sub-Committees. He earned a BA from Cornell University and an MBA from Columbia University. He is a Registered Representative with Series 7, 63, and 24 licenses.

**Traders**

**Brad Borud – Senior Trader**

Mr. Borud is a Senior Trader of leveraged loans and high yield bonds. Prior to his current duties, Mr. Borud served as a Portfolio Analyst for Highland Capital from 1996 to 1998. From 1998 to 2003, Mr. Borud was a Portfolio Manager covering a wide range of industries, including Wireline Telecommunications, Wireless Telecommunications, Telecommunication Equipment Manufacturers, Multi-channel Video, and Media. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Borud worked as a Global Finance Analyst in the Corporate Finance Group at NationsBank from 1995 to 1996 where he was involved in the originating, structuring, modeling, and credit analysis of leveraged transactions for large corporate accounts in the Southwest portion of the United States. During 1994, Mr. Borud also served at Conseco Capital Management as an Analyst Intern in the Fixed Income Research Department following the Transportation and Energy sectors. He has a BS in Business Finance from Indiana University.

**Paul Kauffman, CFA, CPA – Senior Trader**

Mr. Kauffman is a Senior Trader for loan and high yield credit products. Prior to his current duties, Mr. Kauffman served as a Portfolio Analyst from 1998 to 1999 and afterward as a Portfolio Manager covering a wide range of industries, including Paper and Packaging as well as General Industrials. Formerly, Mr. Kauffman was a Supervising Senior Accountant at KPMG Peat Marwick LLP from 1994 to 1996. Prior to this, he was a Staff Accountant at Pattillo, Brown & Hill CPAs from 1992 to 1994. He received a BBA in Accounting from Baylor University and an MBA from Duke University. Mr. Kauffman is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

**Senior Portfolio Managers**

**Patrick H. Daugherty – Senior Portfolio Manager & General Counsel**

Mr. Daugherty is co-head of the Distressed Group at Highland Capital and is responsible for managing the sourcing and monitoring process. Prior to joining Highland Capital in early 1998, Mr. Daugherty served as Vice President in the Corporate Finance Group at NationsBanc Capital Markets, Inc.

(now Bank of America Capital Markets, Inc.) where he originated and structured leveraged transactions for a \$2.5 billion portfolio of mid-cap companies located in the Southwest. Mr. Daugherty has over 15 years of experience in distressed, high yield and corporate restructuring. He has been involved in over 100 bankruptcy situations and held steering committee positions in over 35 cases. Prior to joining Bank of America, Mr. Daugherty was an Associate with the law firm of Baker, Brown, Sharman and Parker in Houston, Texas where he represented banks and financial institutions in the liquidation of various RTC portfolios. He received a BBA in Finance from The University of Texas at Austin and a Juris Doctorate from The University of Houston School of Law. Mr. Daugherty's professional certifications include membership in the Texas Bar Association and admittance to the American Bar Association in 1992.

**John Morgan, CFA – Senior Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Morgan is a Senior Portfolio Manager covering the Retail, Food & Drug, and Steel sectors. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Morgan served as Portfolio Analyst for Falcon Fund Management, LTD from August 1995-February 2000. There he created comparables to assess the attractiveness of companies within industries and across the portfolio. He assisted the portfolio manager in the security selection process and management of the portfolio. Prior to Falcon, he was an Analyst for a Convertible Arbitrage Fund at Q Investments. His primary responsibility included analyzing financial statements and related corporate disclosures and performing analysis on potential investment opportunities. He received both a BS in Biological Sciences and an MBA from Southern Methodist University.

**Kurtis Plumer, CFA – Senior Portfolio Manager: Energy & Food Processors**

Mr. Plumer is co-head of the Distressed Group at Highland Capital and is responsible for managing the sourcing and monitoring process. He has over 14 years of experience in distressed, high yield bond and leveraged loan products. Prior to joining Highland Capital in 1999, Mr. Plumer was a distressed high yield bond trader at Lehman Brothers in New York, where he managed a \$250 million portfolio invested in global distressed securities. While at Lehman, he also traded emerging market sovereign bonds. Prior to joining Lehman Brothers, Mr. Plumer was a corporate finance banker at NationsBanc Capital Markets, Inc. (now Bank of America Capital Markets, Inc.) where he focused on M&A and financing transactions for the bank's clients. Mr. Plumer earned a BBA in Economics and Finance from Baylor University and an MBA in Strategy and Finance from the Kellogg School at Northwestern University. Mr. Plumer is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

**Dansby White, CFA – Managing Director and Senior Portfolio Manager**

Mr. White is responsible for growing Highland Capital's structured finance and structured vehicles business. Prior to joining Highland Capital he was Managing Director and Head of Structured Finance in the Americas from June 2000 to September 2002 at Merrill Lynch. In this capacity, Mr. White was responsible for managing the Asset Backed Commercial Paper, Asset Backed Securities, Collateralized Debt Obligation and CMBS businesses. From March 1999 until June 2000 Mr. White was the Head of Merrill's Global CDO Group. Prior to joining Merrill Lynch Mr. White was a Principal in the Structured Finance Group at BT Alex Brown focusing on the CDO business. In the early 1980s, Mr. White worked in various capacities at GATX Leasing Corporation. Prior to joining BT Alex Brown, Mr. White spent eight years practicing general corporate law at Cahill Gordon and Reindel and White & Case. Mr. White holds a BA in Economics from Northwestern University, an MBA from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University and a JD from Rutgers University School of Law in Newark where Mr. White was selected for the Law Review. After graduating from Law School, Mr. White served as Law Clerk to the Hon. Robert N. Wilentz, Chief Justice of the New Jersey Supreme Court for one year.

**David Walls, CFA – Portfolio Manager: Distressed**

Mr. Walls is a Portfolio Manager covering the Cable, Building Materials and Equipment Rental sectors. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Walls worked at Lend Lease Real Estate Investments

(LLREI) in their Asset Management unit where, as an Associate, he participated in the underwriting and acquisition of bulk portfolios of distressed Korean real estate and corporate debt. Before his international responsibilities at LLREI, Mr. Walls performed loan workouts on a domestic portfolio of sub- and non-performing real estate secured assets. Prior to joining Lend Lease, Mr. Walls worked at U.S. Trust Company of California as an Assistant Vice President, Junior Portfolio Manager in their Fixed Income Portfolio Management group. He holds a BA in Economics from Northwestern University and an MBA in Finance and Marketing from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University. Mr. Walls is a member of AIMR and DAIA. Mr. Walls is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

### **Joe Dougherty, CFA, CPA**

Mr. Dougherty is a Senior Portfolio Manager. Additionally, Mr. Dougherty heads Highland Capital's retail funds business unit ("Highland Funds") and serves as Senior Vice President and Director of the Firm's two NYSE-listed bond funds, which invest in both investment grade and high yield debt. Additionally, Mr. Dougherty serves as Senior Vice President and Director of the Firm's two 1940 Act Registered floating rate funds, which primarily invest in senior secured floating rate loans. In this capacity, Mr. Dougherty oversees investment decisions for the retail funds, alongside several other Portfolio Managers, and manages the team dedicated to their day-to-day administration. Prior to his current duties, Mr. Dougherty served as Portfolio Analyst for Highland Capital from 1998 to 1999. As a Portfolio Analyst, Mr. Dougherty also helped follow companies within the Chemical, Retail, Supermarket and Restaurant sectors. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Dougherty served as an Investment Analyst with Sandera Capital Management from 1997 to 1998. Formerly, he was a Business Development Manager at Akzo Nobel from 1994 to 1996 and a Senior Accountant at Deloitte & Touche, LLP from 1992 to 1994. He received a BS in Accounting from Villanova University and an MBA from Southern Methodist University. Mr. Dougherty is a Chartered Financial Analyst and a Certified Public Accountant.

See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Portfolio Manager—The Issuer Will Depend on the Managerial Expertise Available to the Portfolio Manager and Its Key Personnel."

## **THE MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Management Agreement. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the Management Agreement.

Pursuant to the terms of the Management Agreement, and in accordance with the requirements set forth in the Indenture, the Portfolio Manager will select the portfolio of Collateral Obligations and will instruct the Trustee with respect to any acquisition, disposition or sale of a Collateral Obligation and an Eligible Investment. Neither the Initial Purchaser or any Affiliate thereof will select any of the Collateral Obligations.

Pursuant to the terms of the Management Agreement, the Portfolio Manager will monitor the Collateral Obligations and provide the Issuer with certain information received from the Collateral Administrator with respect to the composition and characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, any disposition or tender of a Collateral Obligation, the reinvestment of the proceeds of any such disposition in Eligible Investments and with respect to the retention of the proceeds of any such disposition or the application thereof toward the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations. The Portfolio Manager will, and will be authorized to, negotiate, on behalf of the Issuer, with respect to all actions to be taken by the Issuer under any Hedge Agreements.



As compensation for the performance of its obligations as Portfolio Manager, the Portfolio Manager will be entitled to receive:

- (i) a fee (the "**Senior Management Fee**") that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Portfolio Manager in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.30% per annum of the Maximum Investment Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments (with the Senior Management Fee being calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months);
- (ii) an amount (the "**Subordinated Management Fee**") payable on each Payment Date equal to the sum of (a) a fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Portfolio Manager in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.25% per annum of the Maximum Investment Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments, (b) on any Payment Date that any part of the Senior Management Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period *plus* 3.00% per annum and (c) on any Payment Date that any part of the Subordinated Management Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period *plus* 3.00% per annum (with the portion of the Subordinated Management Fee or Senior Management Fee, as applicable, in clauses (a) through (c) above, as applicable, being calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months); and
- (iii) a fee (the "**Incentive Management Fee**" and together with the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee, the "**Management Fee**"), if any, payable on each Payment Date to the Portfolio Manager in an amount equal to: (i) 20% of the remaining Interest Proceeds, if any, available after making the distributions on such Payment Date pursuant to clause (21) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" and (ii) 20% of the remaining Principal Proceeds, if any, available for payment in respect of the Incentive Management Fee pursuant to clause (6)(A) and, if applicable, clause (9), in each case pursuant to "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds."

The Portfolio Manager may, in its sole discretion: (i) waive all or any portion of the Management Fee, any funds representing the waived Management Fees to be retained in the Collection Account for distribution as either Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds (as determined by the Portfolio Manager) pursuant to the Priority of Payments; or (ii) defer all or any portion of the Management Fee, any funds representing the deferred Management Fees to be retained in the Collection Account, when they will become payable in the same manner and priority as their original characterization would have required unless deferred again.

The Portfolio Manager, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, and its Affiliates and their directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, shall not be liable to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Noteholders, the Preference Share Paying Agent, the Holders of the Preference Shares or any other person for any losses, claims, damages, judgments, assessments, costs or other liabilities (collectively "**Liabilities**") incurred by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Noteholders, the Preference Share Paying Agent, the Holders of the Preference Shares or any other person that arise out of or in connection with the performance by the Portfolio Manager of its duties under the Management Agreement and the Indenture, except by reason of (i) acts or omissions constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, gross negligence or breach of fiduciary duty in the performance, or reckless disregard, of the obligations of the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement and under the terms of the Indenture applicable to it or (ii) with respect to any information included in this Offering Circular in the sections entitled "The Portfolio Manager" and "Certain Conflicts of Interest—Conflicts of Interest Involving the Portfolio Manager" that contains any untrue statement of material fact or omits to

state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) collectively being the "**Portfolio Manager Breaches**"). The Portfolio Manager will be liable for any non-waivable breaches of applicable securities laws.

The Issuer will indemnify and hold harmless the Portfolio Manager, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees (such parties collectively in such case, the "**Indemnified Parties**") from and against any and all Liabilities, and shall reimburse each such Indemnified Party for all reasonable fees and expenses (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) (collectively, the "**Expenses**") as such Expenses are incurred in investigating, preparing, pursuing or defending any claim, action, proceeding or investigation with respect to any pending or threatened litigation (collectively, the "**Actions**"), caused by, or arising out of or in connection with, the issuance of the Securities, the transactions contemplated by the Offering Circular, the Indenture or the Management Agreement, and/or any action taken by, or any failure to act by, such Indemnified Party; *provided, however*, that no Indemnified Party shall be indemnified for any Liabilities or Expenses it incurs as a result of any acts or omissions by any Indemnified Party constituting Portfolio Manager Breaches. Any such indemnification by the Issuer will be paid in accordance with, and subject to, the Priority of Payments.

Pursuant to the terms of the Portfolio Management Agreement, the Portfolio Manager will agree that on the Closing Date the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates will purchase Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to \$13,200,000 and maintain, in the aggregate, ownership of Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount of at least \$10,000,000 until such time as described in "Summary of Terms—The Portfolio Manager."

The Management Agreement may not be amended (i) without the consent of the Holders of Notes or Preference Shares that would be sufficient to meet the consent requirements for such an amendment if it were made to the Indenture and (ii) without the satisfying the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency.

The Management Agreement provides that the Portfolio Manager will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Portfolio Manager such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Portfolio Manager, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the Investment Adviser's Act of 1940. The Management Agreement also provides that the Portfolio Manager will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Portfolio Manager serves as investment advisor, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Portfolio Manager serves as investment advisor unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Portfolio Manager, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Investment Adviser's Act of 1940.

Subject to the provisions for a successor portfolio manager discussed below, the Portfolio Manager may resign, upon 90 days' written notice to the Issuer (or such shorter notice as is acceptable to the Issuer).

The Management Agreement provides that the Portfolio Manager may be removed without cause upon 90 days' prior written notice by the Issuer, at the direction of the Holders of at least 63% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Preference Shares (excluding Preference Shares held by the Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates or any account for which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority at the time of such vote); *provided, however*, that the Portfolio Manager shall have the

right to avoid any such removal if, on or prior to the proposed removal date the following conditions are satisfied: (i) the Portfolio Manager provides written notice, not less than 20 Business Days prior to the proposed removal date, to the Holders of the Composite Securities, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Preference Shares), the Issuer and the Trustee that the Portfolio Manager intends to purchase not less than all of the Preference Shares voting for such removal from the Holders thereof (the "**Directing Preference Shares**"), (ii) in the notice provided to the Holders of Composite Securities and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Preference Shares) in the preceding clause (i), the Portfolio Manager includes a statement to the effect that each Holder of Preference Shares (including each Holder of a Composite Security in respect of the Preference Share Component) who did not vote for removal may provide written notice to the Portfolio Manager not later than 5 Business Days prior to the proposed removal date that the Preference Shares or Preference Share Components, as applicable, held by such Holder shall be deemed to be included in the Directing Preference Shares as provided in the preceding clause (i), and (iii) the Portfolio Manager effects the purchase of not less than all of the Directing Preference Shares and all of the Composite Securities relating to the Preference Share Components which form a part of the Directing Preference Shares at the Buy-out Amount. If all of the conditions set forth in the preceding sentence are satisfied on or prior to the proposed removal date, the Portfolio Manager shall continue as the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement.

The Management Agreement provides that if (i) an Event of Default described in clause (d) under "Description of the Securities—Events of Default" occurs, and (ii) the Policy has not been terminated and delivered for cancellation in accordance with the terms of the Indenture as described in "Description of the Securities—Termination of the Policy," the Management Agreement shall be terminated, and the Portfolio Manager shall be removed, by the Issuer, if directed by a Majority of the Controlling Class upon 10 days' prior written notice to the Portfolio Manager and upon written notice to the Noteholders and the Holders of the Preference Shares as set forth below; *provided, however*, that the Portfolio Manager shall have the right to avoid any such removal if, on or prior to the proposed removal date the Portfolio Manager provides written notice, not less than 2 Business Days prior to the proposed removal date, to the Controlling Class, the Issuer and the Trustee that the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser intends to (i) purchase not less than all of the Class A-1g Notes at the Removal Buy-Out Purchase Price pursuant to the Indenture and as described in "Description of the Securities—Removal Buy-Out" and (ii) terminate the Policy pursuant to the Indenture upon the effectiveness of such purchase, and the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser purchases not less than all of the Class A-1g Notes prior to the proposed removal date. If the conditions set forth in the preceding sentence are satisfied on or prior to the proposed removal date, the Portfolio Manager shall continue as the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement.

In addition, the Management Agreement will be terminated, and the Portfolio Manager will be removed, by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee or the Controlling Class of Notes or by a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates), in each case for "cause" upon 10 days' prior written notice to the Portfolio Manager and upon written notice to the Noteholders and the Holders of the Preference Shares as set forth below. For purposes of determining "cause" with respect to any such termination of the Management Agreement, such term shall mean any one of the following events:

(i) the Portfolio Manager willfully breaches in any respect, or takes any action that it knows violates in any respect, any provision of the Management Agreement or any terms of the Indenture applicable to it;

(ii) the Portfolio Manager breaches in any material respect any provision of the Management Agreement or any terms of the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement applicable to it, or any representation, warranty, certification or statement given in writing by the Portfolio Manager shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or given, and the Portfolio Manager fails to cure such breach or take such action so that the facts (after giving effect to such action) conform in all material respects to such representation,

warranty, certificate or statement, in each case within 30 days of becoming aware of, or receiving notice from, the Trustee of, such breach or materially incorrect representation, warranty, certificate or statement;

(iii) certain events of bankruptcy or insolvency occur with respect to the Portfolio;

(iv) the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture that results from any breach by the Portfolio Manager of its duties under the Indenture or the Management Agreement, which breach or default is not cured within any applicable cure period;

(v) (x) the occurrence of an act by the Portfolio Manager related to its activities in any securities, financial advisory or other investment business that constitutes fraud, (y) the Portfolio Manager being indicted, or any of its principals being convicted, of a felony criminal offense related to its activities in any securities, financial advisory or other investment business or (z) the Portfolio Manager being indicted for, adjudged liable in a civil suit for, or convicted of a violation of the Securities Act or any other United States Federal securities law or any rules or regulations thereunder; or

(vi) a Change of Control shall occur with respect to the Portfolio Manager.

For purposes of clause (vi) above: (i) "**Change of Control**" means that two or more of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers (or any Approved Replacement therefor) shall fail to be a partner, director, officer or management-level employee of Highland Capital and (ii) "**Approved Replacement**" means an individual who shall (x) be proposed by Highland Capital to replace James Dondero, Mark Okada or Todd Travers (or a prior Approved Replacement therefor) within 30 days after James Dondero, Mark Okada or Todd Travers (or a prior Approved Replacement therefor) fails to be a partner, director, officer or management-level employee of Highland Capital or, following any objection pursuant to the following clause (y) to the first proposed replacement, within 30 days after such objection and (y) not have been objected to by either (A) the Controlling Class of Notes or (B) a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by Highland Capital or any of its affiliates), within 30 days after written notice of such Approved Replacement has been given by the Portfolio Manager to the Controlling Class of Notes and the Holders of Preference Shares).

No removal, termination or resignation of the Portfolio Manager will be effective under the Management Agreement unless (i) at the written direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer appoints a successor Portfolio Manager has agreed in writing to assume all of the Portfolio Manager's duties and obligations pursuant to the Management Agreement and the Indenture and (ii) the successor Portfolio Manager is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) the Controlling Class of Notes or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single Class (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates)); provided, that if a Majority of the Preference Shares has nominated two or more successor Portfolio Managers that have been objected to pursuant to clause (ii) of the preceding sentence or has otherwise failed to appoint a successor Portfolio Manager that is not objected to pursuant to clause (ii) of the preceding sentence within 60 days of the date of notice of such removal, termination or resignation of the Portfolio Manager, then the Controlling Class of Notes may petition a court of competent authority to appoint a successor Portfolio Manager. In addition, any successor Portfolio Manager must be an established institution which (i) has demonstrated an ability to professionally and competently perform duties similar to those imposed upon the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement, (ii) is legally qualified and has the capacity to act as Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement, as successor to the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement in the assumption of all of the responsibilities, duties and obligations of the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement and under the applicable terms of the Indenture, (iii) shall not cause the Issuer or the pool of Collateral to become required to register under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, (iv) shall perform its duties as Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement and the Indenture without causing the

Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Holder of Preference Shares to become subject to tax in any jurisdiction where such successor Portfolio Manager is established as doing business and (v) each Rating Agency has confirmed that the appointment of such successor Portfolio Manager shall not cause its then-current rating of any Class of Notes or Composite Securities to be reduced or withdrawn. No compensation payable to a successor from payments on the Collateral shall be greater than that paid to the Portfolio Manager without the prior written consent of the Controlling Class of Notes, a Majority of the Notes, a Majority of the Composite Securities and a Majority of the Preference Shares (voting collectively).

The Management Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement, cannot be delegated by the Portfolio Manager, in whole or in part, except to any entity that is both (i) controlled by all or any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers and (ii) one in which all of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers (or any Approved Replacement thereof) is involved in the day to day management and operations (and in any such case pursuant to an instrument of delegation in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer), without the prior written consent of the Issuer, the Controlling Class of Notes, a Majority of the Composite Securities and a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding Preference Shares held by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates), and, notwithstanding any such consent, no delegation of obligations or duties by the Portfolio Manager (including, without limitation, to an entity described above) shall relieve the Portfolio Manager from any liability under the Management Agreement.

### **THE INSURER AND THE POLICY**

*The information appearing in this section under the heading "The Insurer and the Policy—The Insurer" has been prepared by the Insurer and has not been independently verified by the Co-Issuers or JPMorgan. Accordingly, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Co-Issuers and JPMorgan do not assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or applicability of such information.*

#### **The Insurer**

Assured Guaranty is a Maryland-domiciled insurance company licensed as a financial guaranty insurance company in forty-seven states and the District of Columbia. Assured Guaranty was formed in 1985 and commenced operations in 1988. Assured Guaranty has license applications pending, or intends to file an application, in each of those states in which it is not currently licensed. Assured Guaranty is located at 1325 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10019. Assured Guaranty is a wholly owned indirect subsidiary of Assured Guaranty Ltd., a Bermuda company whose shares are publicly held and are listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "AGO" ("AGL"). AGL files annual, quarterly and current reports, with the SEC. Copies of AGL's SEC filings are available over the SEC's website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov) or over AGL's website at [www.assuredguaranty.com](http://www.assuredguaranty.com). These websites do not form part of this document for the purpose of listing the Notes and the Composite Securities on the Irish Stock Exchange.

Assured Guaranty is subject to insurance laws and regulations in Maryland and in New York (among other limited states jurisdictions) that, among other things, (i) limit Assured Guaranty's business to financial guaranty insurance and related lines, (ii) prescribe minimum solvency requirements, including capital and surplus requirements, (iii) limit classes and concentrations of investments, (iv) regulate the amount of both the aggregate and individual risks that may be insured, (v) limit the payment of dividends by Assured Guaranty, (vi) require the maintenance of contingency reserves and (vii) govern changes in control and transactions among affiliates. Certain state laws to which Assured Guaranty is subject also require the approval of policy rates and forms.

Assured Guaranty's financial strength is rated "AAA" by S&P, and "Aa1" by Moody's. Assured Guaranty's ratings outlook from S&P is "negative." Each rating of Assured Guaranty should be evaluated independently. The ratings reflect the respective Rating Agency's current assessment of the creditworthiness of Assured Guaranty and its ability to pay claims on its policies of insurance. Any

further explanation of the significance of the above ratings may be obtained from the applicable Rating Agency. The above ratings are not recommendations to buy, sell or hold any security, and such ratings may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the Rating Agencies. Any downward revision or withdrawal of any of the above ratings may have an adverse effect on the market price of any security guaranteed by Assured Guaranty. Assured Guaranty does not guaranty the market price of the securities it guarantees, nor does it guaranty that the ratings on such securities will not be revised or withdrawn.

Assured Guaranty makes no representation regarding the Securities or the advisability of investing in the Securities. In addition, Assured Guaranty makes no representation regarding, nor does it accept any responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of this Offering Circular or any information or disclosure contained herein, or omitted herefrom, other than with respect to the accuracy of the information regarding Assured Guaranty supplied by Assured Guaranty and presented under the heading "The Insurer."

### *Capitalization of Assured Guaranty*

As of December 31, 2003, Assured Guaranty has total admitted assets of \$1,207,785,868, total liabilities of \$952,203,218, total surplus of \$255,582,650 and total statutory capital (surplus plus contingency reserves) of \$655,582,596, determined in accordance with statutory accounting practices prescribed or permitted by insurance regulatory authorities ("SAP"). Copies of the statutory quarterly and annual statements filed with Maryland Insurance Administration are available upon request by contacting Assured Guaranty at (212) 974-0100.

Attached to this Offering Circular as Exhibit A are the audited financial statements of Assured Guaranty for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001 and its unaudited financial statements for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003.

The following table sets forth the capitalization of Assured Guaranty as of the period ended December 2002 and 2003 and as of September 30, 2004 (unaudited), on the basis of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America:

	<b>December 31, 2002</b>	<b>December 31, 2003</b>	<b>September 30, 2004</b>
	<b><u>(\$ in millions)</u></b>	<b><u>(\$ in millions)</u></b>	<b><u>(\$ in millions)</u></b>
Unearned Premiums	353	389	386
Other Liabilities	233	236	261
Stockholder's Equity:			
Common Stock	15	15	15
Additional Paid-in Capital	345	351	386
Unrealized Gain on Bonds, Net of Tax	42	45	42
Retained Earnings	<u>371</u>	<u>465</u>	<u>535</u>
Total Stockholder's Equity	<u>773</u>	<u>876</u>	<u>978</u>
Total Liabilities and Stockholder's Equity	1,359	1,501	1,625

The New York State Insurance Department recognizes only statutory accounting practices for determining and reporting the financial condition and results of operations of an insurance company, for determining its solvency under the New York Insurance Law, and for determining whether its financial condition warrants the payment of a dividend to its stockholders. No consideration is given by the New York State Insurance Department to financial statements prepared in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principles in making such determinations.

## The Policy

The following summary of the terms and conditions of the Policy does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Policy and the Insurance Agreement.

Simultaneously with the issuance of the Insured Notes, the Insurer will deliver the Policy to the Beneficiary for the benefit of each Insured Noteholder. In consideration of the payment of the Premium and subject to the terms and conditions of the Policy, the Insurer will unconditionally and irrevocably agree to pay each and every Insured Amount which shall become Due for Payment, but shall be unpaid by reason of Nonpayment by the Issuer (as such terms are defined below).

**"Avoided Payment"** means any amount that is paid, credited, transferred or delivered to the Beneficiary under the terms of the Indenture in respect of any Insured Amount, which amount has been rescinded or recovered from or otherwise required to be returned or repaid by the Beneficiary as a result of Insolvency Proceedings by or against the Issuer.

**"Beneficiary"** means JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as Trustee under the Indenture and any successor in such capacity, for the benefit of each Insured Noteholder.

**"Due for Payment"** with respect to an Insured Amount, means (i) scheduled interest on the Insured Notes when due and payable (after the expiration of any applicable or deemed grace period (after the satisfaction of any conditions precedent to the commencement of such grace period)) in accordance with the terms of the Indenture and (ii) final payment of principal of the Insured Notes on the Stated Maturity (in each of sub-clauses (i) and (ii), in accordance with the original terms of the Insured Notes when issued and without regard to any subsequent amendment or modification of the Insured Notes that has not been consented to in writing by the Insurer).

**"Insured Amount"** means the following amounts now owing or which may in the future be owing by the Issuer under the terms of the Indenture and the Insured Notes to the Beneficiary: (a) scheduled interest on the Insured Notes when due and payable (after the expiration of any applicable or deemed grace period (after the satisfaction of any conditions precedent to the commencement of such grace period)) in accordance with the terms of the Indenture and (b) final payment of principal of the Insured Notes on the Stated Maturity in a principal amount not to exceed \$400,000,000. "Insured Amounts" will not include, nor will coverage be provided under the Policy in respect of:

(i) payments that become due on an accelerated basis as a result of the occurrence of (1) an Event of Default under the Indenture, (2) an Optional Redemption by the Issuers, (3) a failure to meet any Coverage Test as of any Determination Date, (4) the occurrence and continuance of a Rating Confirmation Failure or (5) any other cause;

(ii) any amounts due in respect of the Insured Notes attributable to any increase in interest rate, penalty or other sum payable by the Issuer by reason of any default under the Indenture or Event of Default in respect of the Insured Notes, or by reason of any deterioration of the creditworthiness of the Issuer;

(iii) any present or future taxes, withholding, deduction, assessment or other charge imposed by the United States, any other sovereign state, or any political subdivision or governmental or taxing authority thereof (including interest and penalties in respect of such taxes, withholding, deduction, assessment or other charge) with respect to any payment due under the Insured Notes;

(iv) any default, redemption or other make whole premium with respect to the Insured Notes;

(v) in the case of the election by 100% of the Holders of the Insured Notes to receive less than 100% of the portion of the Redemption Price that would otherwise be payable to such Holders in connection with any Optional Redemption, the amount by which the Redemption Price exceeds such lesser amount to be received by such Holders; or

(vi) any Extension Bonus Payment with respect to the Insured Notes.

**"Nonpayment by the Issuer"** with respect to an Insured Amount at a time when such Insured Amount is Due for Payment, means that the funds, if any, remitted to the Beneficiary under the terms of the Indenture are insufficient for payment in full of such Insured Amount. In addition to and without limiting the foregoing, "Nonpayment by the Issuer" applies to any portion of any Insured Amount that has become an Avoided Payment.

In the event that the payment of any amount in respect of any Insured Amount is accelerated or must otherwise be paid by the Issuer in advance of the scheduled payment date therefore, nothing in the Policy shall be deemed to require the Insurer to make any payment thereunder in respect of any such Insured Amount prior to the date such Insured Amount otherwise would have been Due for Payment without giving effect to such acceleration, unless the Insurer in its sole discretion elects to make any prior payment, in whole or in part, with respect to any such Insured Amount.

The Policy will be non-cancelable for any reason, including without limitation the non-payment of Premium. The Policy and the obligations of the Insurer thereunder shall terminate upon the earlier of: (i) the date on which all Insured Amounts have been paid or shall be deemed to have been paid under the Insured Notes or (ii) the date on which the Policy has been terminated by the Beneficiary and delivered for cancellation as described under "Description of the Securities—Termination of the Policy"; provided, however, that in the event that any amount with respect to any Insured Amount paid to the Beneficiary under the terms of the Indenture during the term of the Policy becomes an Avoided Payment, the Insurer's obligations with respect thereto shall, unless the term of the Policy has expired pursuant to clause (ii) above, remain in effect or shall be reinstated, as applicable, until payment in full by the Insurer pursuant to the terms of the Policy. For the avoidance of doubt, if the term of the Policy has expired pursuant to clause (ii), the Insurer shall have no further liability under the Policy, including, without limitation, for any subsequent Avoided Payment.

Following receipt by the Insurer of a notice of claim in the form attached to, and delivered in the manner specified in, the Policy, the Insurer will pay any amounts payable under the Policy (other than an amount that constitutes an Avoided Payment, which is discussed below) to the Beneficiary on behalf of the Insured Noteholder on the later to occur of (i) the date on which such payment becomes Due for Payment or (ii) the third Business Day following receipt by the Insurer of such notice of claim.

In the event the Insurer is required under law to deduct or withhold any tax or similar charge from or in respect of any amount payable under or in respect of the Policy, the Insurer will make all such deductions and withholdings and pay the full amount deducted or withheld to the relevant taxation authority in accordance with law, but the Insurer will not "gross-up" or otherwise pay additional amounts in respect of such taxes, and the Insurer's payments to the Beneficiary, the bankruptcy trustee or the Insured Noteholders, as the case may be, will be amounts that are net of such deductions or withholdings.

Unless this Policy has been terminated by the Beneficiary and delivered by the Beneficiary for cancellation as described under "Description of the Securities—Termination of the Policy", if any amount or property paid to the Beneficiary under the terms of the Indenture becomes an Avoided Payment, the Insurer will pay the amount of such Avoided Payment when due to be paid pursuant to an applicable Order (referred to below), but in any event no earlier than the fourth Business Day following receipt (as specified in the Policy) by the Insurer from the Beneficiary of (i) a certified copy of such final, non-appealable order of the court or other body exercising jurisdiction in an insolvency proceeding by or against the Issuer to the effect that the Beneficiary is required to return or repay all or any portion of an



Avoided Payment (the "**Order**"), (ii) a certificate by or on behalf of the Beneficiary that such Order has been entered and is not subject to any stay, (iii) an assignment in form and substance satisfactory to the Insurer, duly executed and delivered by the Beneficiary on behalf of the affected holders, irrevocably assigning to the Insurer all rights and claims of the Beneficiary on behalf of the affected holders against the estate of the Issuer or otherwise, which rights and claims relate to or arise under or with respect to the subject Avoided Payment, and (iv) a notice of claim, which notice is in the form specified in the Policy and appropriately completed and executed by the Beneficiary. Such payment shall be disbursed to the receiver, conservator, administrator, debtor-in-possession or trustee in bankruptcy named in the Order, and not to the Beneficiary directly, unless the Beneficiary has previously paid the Avoided Payment over to such court or receiver, conservator, administrator, debtor-in-possession or trustee in bankruptcy, in which case the Insurer will pay the Beneficiary subject to the delivery of (a) the items referred to in clauses (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) above to the Insurer, and (b) evidence satisfactory to the Insurer that payment has been made to such court or receiver, conservator, administrator, debtor-in-possession or trustee in bankruptcy named in such Order.

The Policy may not be assigned by the Beneficiary without the prior written consent of the Insurer.

The Insurer's obligation under the Policy in respect of Insured Amounts shall be discharged to the extent that funds are transferred to the Beneficiary as provided in the notice of claim, whether or not such funds are properly applied by the Beneficiary.

In addition to the rights provided to the Insurer in the Indenture and unless the Policy has been terminated by the Beneficiary and delivered by the Beneficiary for cancellation as described under "Description of the Securities—Termination of the Policy", the Insurer shall be subrogated to the rights of the Insured Noteholders to receive payments in respect of Insured Amounts to the extent of any payment by the Insurer under the Policy (subject to the Priority of Payments). Any payment made by or on behalf of the Issuer to or for the benefit of the Insured Noteholders in respect of any Insured Amount forming the basis of a claim under the Policy (which claim shall have been paid by the Insurer) shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of the Insurer and shall be paid over to the Insurer. The Beneficiary on behalf of the Insured Noteholders shall cooperate in all reasonable respects, and at the expense of the Insurer, with any request by the Insurer for action to preserve or enforce the Insurer's rights and remedies in respect of the Issuer under the Insured Notes, any related security arrangements or otherwise, including without limitation any request to (i) institute or participate in any suit, action or other proceeding, (ii) enforce any judgment obtained and collect from the Issuer any amounts adjudged due or (iii) transfer to the Insurer, via absolute legal assignment, the Beneficiary's rights on behalf of the Insured Noteholders in respect of any Insured Amount which may form the basis of a claim thereunder.

For a discussion of the rights and powers of the Insurer as the Controlling Class upon an Event of Default, see "Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default."

To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, the Insurer will waive, for the benefit of the Beneficiary and each Insured Noteholder, all its rights (whether by counterclaim, setoff or otherwise) and all defenses of any kind (including the defense of fraud), whether acquired by subrogation, assignment or otherwise, to the extent that such rights and defenses may be available to the Insurer to avoid payment of its obligations under the Policy. Any rights of subrogation acquired by the Insurer as a result of any payment under the Policy will be subject to the Priority of Payments in accordance with the express provisions of the Policy. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Insurer will reserve all rights to assert, subsequent to making payment to the Beneficiary of the Insured Amounts and payment in full of the Insured Notes in accordance with the Indenture, any claim it may have against the Beneficiary or any other Person (other than any Insured Noteholder) and none of the foregoing waivers shall prejudice any such claim the Insurer may have, whether directly or as a subrogee, subsequent to making such payment to the Beneficiary; *provided* that any such claim does not seek to impair payment by the Beneficiary to the Holders of Insured Notes of the proceeds of the Policy. The Insurer will acknowledge in the Policy

that, with regard to the Insured Noteholders, the waivers contained in this paragraph are complete waivers and that there shall be no reserved rights to proceed against such parties subsequent to such payment.

**THE POLICY IS NOT COVERED BY THE NEW YORK PROPERTY/CASUALTY INSURANCE SECURITY FUND SPECIFIED IN ARTICLE 76 OF THE NEW YORK INSURANCE LAW.**

*Insurance Agreement*

The Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Insurer will enter into an Insurance Agreement. Pursuant to the Insurance Agreement and the Indenture, the Issuer will agree to pay or reimburse the Insurer for:

- (i) all amounts paid by the Insurer under the Policy for the benefit of the Holders of the Insured Notes (unless such amounts have previously been repaid to the Insurer); and
- (ii) all reasonable out-of-pocket costs and expenses incurred by the Insurer in connection with the transactions contemplated by the related documents, as described in the Insurance Agreement;

and, in the case of clause (i) above, interest accrued on the foregoing amounts at the Accrued Insurance Liabilities Interest Rate for the period from the date the Insurer paid or advanced such amounts until the date such amounts are paid in full. In addition, the Issuer will agree to pay and to protect, indemnify and save harmless, the Insurer and its officers, directors, shareholders, employees, agents and each Person, if any, who controls the Insurer within the meaning of either Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act from and against all losses incurred by reason of:

- (i) any actual or alleged statement, omission or action (other than of or by the Insurer) in connection with the offering, issuance, sale or delivery of the Securities;
- (ii) the actual or alleged negligence, willful misconduct, misfeasance, malfeasance or theft committed by any director, officer, employee, agent or advisor of the Issuer in connection with the transactions or relating to any related document to which it is a party;
- (iii) the actual or alleged violation by the Issuer of any domestic or foreign law, rule or regulation, including, but not limited to, any securities or banking law, rule or regulation in connection with any issuance, offer and sale of the Securities, or any judgment, order or decree applicable to it;
- (iv) (A) the actual or alleged breach by the Issuer of any representation, warranty or covenant under any of the related documents, or (B) any event of default under any related document or any event which, with the giving of notice or the lapse of time or both, would constitute an event of default thereunder; or
- (v) any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained herein or any omission or alleged omission to state herein a material fact required to be stated herein or necessary to make the statements herein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, except insofar as such claims arise out of or are based upon any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission in information included herein furnished by the Insurer expressly for use herein (all such information so furnished being referred to herein as "**Insurer Information**"), it being understood that the Insurer Information is limited solely to the information included under the caption "The Insurer and the Policy—The Insurer" (including all information incorporated by reference therein) and in Exhibit A to this Offering Circular and the documents filed by the Insurer with the Maryland Insurance Administration and by AGL with the SEC incorporated by reference herein.

Pursuant to the Premium Letter, the Issuer will agree to pay to the Insurer on each Payment Date a premium (the "**Premium**") in accordance with the terms of the Insurance Agreement and the Indenture. All amounts owing by the Issuer under the Insurance Agreement will be payable in accordance with the Priority of Payments. See "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments." The Premium payable to the Insurer will cease to accrue on any date on which the Policy is terminated or otherwise ceases to be outstanding and in full force and effect.

The occurrence of an Insurance Agreement Event of Default will constitute an Event of Default under the Indenture so long as the Insurer is the Controlling Party and will allow the Insurer, among other things, to direct the Trustee to declare the principal of and interest on the Notes immediately due and payable. See "Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default".

Pursuant to the Indenture, so long as it is the Controlling Class, the Insurer will have the right to exercise all the rights of the Holders of the Insured Notes under the Indenture and, except in certain limited circumstances, the Holders of the Insured Notes will not be permitted to exercise any such rights without the consent of the Insurer.

For information concerning the business, ratings and regulation of the Insurer, see "The Insurer and the Policy—The Insurer."

#### *Insurance Agreement Events of Default*

The occurrence of any of the following events shall constitute an "Event of Default" under the Insurance Agreement (each, an "**Insurance Agreement Event of Default**"):

(i) any representation or warranty made by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Insurance Agreement shall prove to have been untrue, inaccurate or incorrect in any material respect when made, and it shall fail to cure such breach of representation or warranty within 15 calendar days for any representation or warranty regarding the Collateral or within 30 calendar days, for any other representation or warranty, in each case after the date which is the earlier of (x) the date on which it has actual knowledge of such breach or (y) the date on which notice thereof was given to it, and in each case, which breach or breaches (individually or collectively) has or can be reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Insurer; and

(ii) the Issuer or the Co-Issuer shall fail to perform or observe in any material respect any covenant or agreement to be performed or observed by it under the Insurance Agreement and such failure shall continue for a period of 30 calendar days after the date which is the earlier of (x) the date on which it has actual knowledge of such failure or (y) the date on which written notice thereof was given to it; *provided, however*, that if such failure shall be of a nature that it cannot be cured within 30 calendar days, such failure shall not constitute an Insurance Agreement Event of Default if within such 30 calendar-day period it shall have given written notice to the Insurer of corrective action it proposes to take, which corrective action shall have been agreed in writing by the Insurer to be satisfactory and it shall thereafter pursue such corrective action diligently until such default is cured.

## THE CO-ISSUERS

### General

The Issuer was incorporated as an exempted limited liability company on October 21, 2004 in the Cayman Islands under registration number 140999 and the Issuer Charter was adopted by the holder of all the Issuer Ordinary Shares on February 4, 2005. The registered office of the Issuer is at the offices of Maples Finance Limited, P.O. Box 1093 GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands. The Issuer has no prior operating experience (other than in connection with the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations during the Accumulation Period) and will not have any material assets other than (i) the Collateral pledged to secure the Secured Obligations, and (ii) \$500 (of which \$250 represents the Issuer's ordinary share capital and \$250 represents a fee for issuing the Securities).

The Co-Issuer was incorporated on January 19, 2005 in the State of Delaware under registration number 3914226 as a corporation and has a perpetual existence. The registered office of the Co-Issuer is at 850 Library Avenue, Suite 204, Newark, Delaware 19711. The Co-Issuer has no prior operating history and will not have any material assets. The Issuer will be the sole member of the Co-Issuer.

The Notes are limited recourse obligations of the Co-Issuers, the Composite Securities will be limited recourse obligations of the Issuer and the Preference Shares are equity interests only in the Issuer. The Securities are not obligations of the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Portfolio Manager, JPMorgan, the Administrator, the Holders of the Preference Shares, Maples Finance Limited, as the share trustee (in such capacity, the "**Share Trustee**"), or any directors or officers of the Co-Issuers or any of their respective Affiliates.

At the Closing Date, the authorized and issued share capital of the Issuer consists of 250 ordinary shares, U.S.\$1.00 par value per share (the "**Issuer Ordinary Shares**") and 82,200 Preference Shares, U.S.\$0.01 par value per share, 100% of which will be issued on or about the Closing Date. The authorized common stock of the Co-Issuer consists of 1,000 shares of common stock, U.S.\$0.01 par value (the "**Co-Issuer Common Stock**"), all of which shares will be issued on or about the Closing Date. All of the outstanding Issuer Ordinary Shares and all of the Co-Issuer Common Stock will be held by the Share Trustee. For so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding, no transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares or Co-Issuer Common Stock to a U.S. Person shall be registered.

## Capitalization

The initial proposed capitalization of the Issuer as of the Closing Date after giving effect to the initial issuance of the Securities and the Issuer Ordinary Shares (before deducting expenses of the offering) is as set forth below.

	<u>Amount (U.S.\$)</u>
Class A-1a Notes .....	52,000,000
Class A-1b Notes .....	7,000,000
Class A-1g Notes .....	400,000,000
Class A-2 Notes .....	42,500,000
Class A-3a Notes .....	23,500,000
Class A-3b Notes .....	2,500,000
Class B Notes.....	39,000,000
Class C Notes.....	36,300,000
Total Notes .....	602,800,000
 Class 1 Composite Securities.....	 6,000,000 <sup>1</sup>
 Preference Shares.....	 82,200,000 <sup>2</sup>
Issuer Ordinary Shares.....	250
Total Equity .....	<u>82,200,250</u>
 Total Capitalization.....	 <u>689,000,250<sup>3</sup></u>

- <sup>1.</sup> The capitalization relating to the Class 1 Composite Securities consisting of the Preference Share Component is also included in the initial aggregate Face Amount of the Preference Shares, but such amount is not included in the calculation of Total Capitalization of the Issuer.
- <sup>2.</sup> Including the portion of the Preference Shares represented by the Class 1 Composite Securities.
- <sup>3.</sup> Does not total because the Total Capitalization has excluded the capitalization relating to the \$2,000,000 aggregate Face Amount of the Preference Shares underlying the Preference Share Component.

The Co-Issuer will be capitalized only to the extent of its common equity of U.S.\$10, will have no assets other than its equity capital and will have no debt other than as Co-Issuer of the Notes.

## Business

### *General*

Object 3 of the Issuer Charter provides that the objects for which the Issuer is established are unrestricted and the Issuer shall have full power and authority to carry out any object not prohibited by the Companies Law (2004 Revision) or as the same may be revised from time to time, or any other law of the Cayman Islands. Article III of the Co-Issuer's Certificate of Incorporation provides that the principal purpose of the Co-Issuer is the issuance of the Notes and to engage in any lawful act or activity and to exercise any powers permitted to corporations organized under Delaware Law and to engage in any and all activities necessary or incidental thereto.

*The Issuer*

The Indenture provides that the activities of the Issuer are limited to the following:

- (i) acquisition and disposition of, and investment and reinvestment in, Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments;
- (ii) entering into, and performing its obligations under, the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents, the Insurance Documents, any Hedge Agreements, the Securities Lending Agreements, the Management Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Administration Agreement and the Purchase Agreement;
- (iii) the issuance and sale of the Securities and the Issuer Ordinary Shares;
- (iv) the pledge of the Collateral as security for its obligations in respect of the Notes and any Hedge Agreements;
- (v) the pledge of the Class 1 Collateral as security for its obligations in respect of the Class 1 Composite Securities (solely to the extent of the Class 1 Component);
- (vi) entering into certain pre-closing warehousing arrangements and the agreements relating thereto; and
- (vii) undertaking certain other activities incidental to the foregoing.

*The Co-Issuer*

The activities of the Co-Issuer are to be limited to the following:

- (i) the issuance of its common stock;
- (ii) the co-issuance and sale of the Notes; and
- (iii) undertaking certain other activities incidental to the foregoing and permitted by the Indenture.

**Administration**

Maples Finance Limited (in such capacity, the "**Administrator**"), a Cayman Islands company, will act as the administrator of the Issuer, the Share Registrar and the Share Trustee. The office of the Administrator will serve as the principal office of the Issuer. Through this office and pursuant to the terms of an agreement by and between the Administrator and the Issuer (as amended, supplemented and modified from time to time) (the "**Administration Agreement**"), the Administrator will perform various management functions on behalf of the Issuer, including the provision of certain clerical, administrative and other services including acting as Share Registrar until termination of the Administration Agreement. In consideration of the foregoing, the Administrator will receive various fees and reimbursement of its expenses.

The activities of the Administrator under the Administration Agreement will be subject to the overview of the Issuer's Board of Directors. The Administration Agreement may be terminated by the Issuer upon 14 days' written notice following the happening of certain events or upon 90 days' written notice in all other cases. Upon the earlier of the termination of the Administration Agreement or the dissolution of the Issuer, the Administrator shall cease to serve in such capacity.

The Administrator's principal office is at P.O. Box 1093 GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands.

## **Directors**

The Issuer will have three directors, each of whom is an employee or officer of the Administrator. Below is information regarding the background and experience of certain persons who will be the Directors of the Board of the Issuer.

The Directors of the Issuer are Carrie Bunton, Chris Leslie and Phillip Hinds.

The directors of the Issuer serve as directors of, and provide services to, other special purpose entities that issue collateralized obligations and perform other duties for the Administrator. They may be contacted at the address of the Administrator.

The director of the Co-Issuer is Donald Puglisi. Mr. Puglisi is also the President, Secretary and Treasurer of the Co-Issuer. Mr. Puglisi is a Professor of Finance at the University of Delaware. Mr. Puglisi serves as a director of, and provides services to, a number of special purpose entities. He may be contacted at the address of the Co-Issuer.

## **THE LOAN MARKET**

A substantial portion, by principal amount, of the Collateral Obligations is expected to consist of corporate loans rated below investment grade extended to U.S. and other non-U.S. borrowers. Such loans are typically negotiated by one or more commercial banks or other financial institutions and syndicated among a group of commercial banks and financial institutions.

Corporate loans are typically at the most senior level of the capital structure, and are often secured by specific collateral, including but not limited to, trademarks, patents, accounts receivable, inventory, equipment, buildings, real estate, franchises and common and preferred stock of the obligor and its subsidiaries. Some loans may be unsecured, subordinated to other obligations of the obligor and may have greater credit and liquidity risk than is typically associated with senior secured corporate loans. The corporate loans expected to secure the Notes are of a type generally incurred by the borrowers thereunder in connection with a highly leveraged transaction, often to finance internal growth, acquisitions, mergers, stock purchases, or for other reasons. As a result of the additional debt incurred by the borrower in the course of the transactions, the borrower's creditworthiness is often judged by the rating agencies to be below investment grade. In order to induce the banks and institutional investors to invest in a borrower's loan facility, and to offer a favorable interest rate, the borrower often provides the banks and institutional investors with extensive information about its business, which is not generally available to the public. Because of the provision of confidential information, the unique and customized nature of a loan agreement, and the private syndication of the loan, loans are not as easily purchased or sold as a publicly traded security, and historically the trading volume in the loan market has been small relative to the high yield bond market.

Corporate loans often provide for restrictive covenants designed to limit the activities of the borrower in an effort to protect the right of lenders to receive timely payments of interest on and repayment of principal of the loans. Such covenants may include restrictions on dividend payments, specific mandatory minimum financial ratios, limits on total debt and other financial tests. A breach of covenant (after giving effect to any cure period) in a loan that is not waived by the lending syndicate normally is an event of acceleration that allows the syndicate to demand immediate repayment in full of the outstanding loan. Loans usually have shorter terms than more junior obligations and may require mandatory prepayments from excess cash flow, asset dispositions and offerings of debt and/or equity securities.

The majority of loans bear interest based on a floating rate index, e.g., LIBOR, the certificate of deposit rate, a prime or base rate (each as defined in the applicable loan agreement) or other index, which may reset daily (as most prime or base rate indices do) or offer the borrower a choice of one, two, three,

six, nine or twelve month interest rate and rate reset periods. The purchaser of a loan may receive certain syndication or participation fees in connection with its purchase. Other fees payable in respect of a loan, which are separate from interest payments on such loan, may include facility, commitment, amendment and prepayment fees.

Purchases of loans are predominantly investment and commercial banks, which have applied their experience in high yield securities to the commercial and industrial loan market, acting as both principal and broker. The range of investors for loans has broadened to include money managers, insurance companies, arbitrageurs, bankruptcy investors and mutual funds seeking increased potential total returns and portfolio managers of trusts or special purpose companies issuing collateralized bond and loan obligations. As secondary market trading volumes increase, new loans are frequently adopting more standardized documentation to facilitate loan trading that should improve market liquidity. There can be no assurance, however, that future levels of supply and demand in loan trading will provide the degree of liquidity that currently exists in the market.

### **THE HIGH YIELD DEBT SECURITIES MARKET**

A portion of the Collateral Obligations securing the Notes will consist of high yield debt securities rated below investment grade and Synthetic Securities, the Reference Obligations of which are high yield debt securities rated below investment grade. High yield debt securities are generally unsecured, may be subordinated to other obligations of the obligor and generally have greater credit and liquidity risk than is typically associated with investment grade corporate obligations. The lower rating of high yield debt securities reflects a greater possibility that adverse changes in the financial condition of the obligor or in general economic conditions (including a sustained period of rising interest rates or an economic downturn) may adversely affect the obligor's ability to pay principal and interest on its debt. Many issuers of high yield debt obligations are highly leveraged, and specific developments affecting such issuers, including reduced cash flow from operations or inability to refinance at maturity, may also adversely affect such issuers' ability to meet their debt service obligations.

High yield debt securities are often issued in connection with leveraged acquisitions or recapitalizations in which the issuers incur a substantially higher amount of indebtedness than the level at which they had previously operated. High yield debt securities have historically experienced greater default rates than has been the case for investment grade securities. Although several studies have been made of historical default rates in the high yield market, such studies do not necessarily provide a basis for drawing definitive conclusions with respect to default rates and, in any event, do not necessarily provide a basis for predicting future default rates.

### **INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS**

#### **General**

The following summary describes the principal U.S. federal income tax and Cayman Islands tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of the Notes and the Preference Shares to investors that acquire the Notes and the Preference Shares at original issuance and, in the case of the Notes, for an amount equal to the Issue Price of the relevant Class of Notes (for purposes of this section, with respect to each such Class of Notes, the first price at which a substantial amount of Notes of such Class are sold to investors (excluding bond houses, brokers, underwriters, placement agents and wholesalers) is referred to herein as the "**Issue Price**"). This summary does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all the tax considerations that may be relevant to a particular investor's decision to purchase the Notes and the Preference Shares. In addition, this summary does not describe any tax consequences arising under the laws of any state, locality or taxing jurisdiction other than the United States federal income tax laws and Cayman Islands tax laws. In general, the summary assumes that a Holder holds a Security as a capital asset and not as part of a hedge, straddle or conversion transaction, within the meaning of Section 1258 of the Code.



**The opinions expressed below were not written and are not intended by McKee Nelson LLP, special U.S. tax counsel to the Issuer, to be used and cannot be used by the Issuer or any Noteholder for purposes of avoiding United States federal income tax penalties that may be imposed, the advice is written to support the promotion or marketing of the transactions, and each taxpayer should seek advice based on the taxpayer's particular circumstances from an independent tax advisor.**

This summary is based on the U.S. and Cayman Islands tax laws, regulations (final, temporary and proposed), administrative rulings and practice and judicial decisions in effect or available on the date of this Offering Circular. All of the foregoing are subject to change or differing interpretation at any time, which change or interpretation may apply retroactively and could affect the continued validity of this summary.

This summary is included herein for general information only, and there can be no assurance that the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (the "**IRS**") will take a similar view of the U.S. federal income tax consequences of an investment in the Securities as described herein. ACCORDINGLY, PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS OF THE SECURITIES SHOULD CONSULT THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS AS TO U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX AND CAYMAN ISLANDS TAX CONSEQUENCES OF THE PURCHASE, OWNERSHIP AND DISPOSITION OF THE SECURITIES, AND THE POSSIBLE APPLICATION OF STATE, LOCAL, FOREIGN OR OTHER TAX LAWS.

As used in this section, the term "**U.S. Holder**" includes a beneficial owner of a Security that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a citizen or individual resident of the United States of America, an entity treated for United States federal income tax purposes as a corporation or a partnership created or organized in or under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof or the District of Columbia, an estate the income of which is includable in gross income for U.S. federal income tax purposes regardless of its source, or a trust if, in general, a court within the United States of America is able to exercise primary supervision over its administration and one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of such trust, and certain eligible trusts that have elected to be treated as United States persons. This summary also does not address the rules applicable to certain types of investors that are subject to special U.S. federal income tax rules, including but not limited to, dealers in securities or currencies, traders in securities, financial institutions, U.S. expatriates, tax-exempt entities (except with respect to specific issues discussed herein), charitable remainder trusts and their beneficiaries, insurance companies, persons or their qualified business units whose functional currency is not the U.S. Dollar, persons that own (directly or indirectly) equity interests in Holders of Securities and subsequent purchasers of the Securities.

In this summary, the treatment of each of the Class 1 Composite Securities either as a single unit or as its respective Components is uncertain because the Class 1 Composite Securities cannot be exchanged for its respective Components. If treated as a single unit, each of the Class 1 Composite Securities will be treated as equity (and the analysis applicable to equity interests in the Issuer shall apply). If treated as two separate Components, then a holder of a Class 1 Composite Security will be treated as directly holding the Preference Share constituting the Preference Share Component and the United States Treasury strip security constituting the Class 1 Component. Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities should refer to the discussion of the Preference Shares with respect to the Preference Share Component and should refer to their own tax advisers with respect to the Class 1 Component.

## United States Federal Income Taxation

### Tax Treatment of the Issuer

The Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder provide a specific exemption from U.S. federal income tax to non-U.S. corporations which restrict their activities in the United States to trading in stocks and securities (and any other activity closely related thereto) for their own account, whether such trading (or such other activity) is conducted by the corporation or its employees or through a resident broker, commission agent, custodian or other agent. This particular exemption does not apply to non-U.S. corporations that are engaged in activities in the United States other than trading in stocks and securities (and any other activity closely related thereto) for their own account or that are dealers in stocks and securities.

The Issuer intends to rely on the above exemption and does not intend to operate so as to be subject to U.S. federal income taxes on its net income. In this regard, on the Closing Date, the Issuer will receive an opinion from McKee Nelson LLP, special U.S. tax counsel to the Issuer ("**Special U.S. Tax Counsel**") to the effect that, although no activity closely comparable to that contemplated by the Issuer has been the subject of any Treasury Regulation, revenue ruling or judicial decision, under current law and assuming compliance with the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents, the Management Agreement, and other related documents (the "**Documents**") by all parties thereto, the Issuer's contemplated activities will not cause it to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States under the Code and, consequently, the Issuer's profits will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis (or the branch profits tax described below). The opinion of Special U.S. Tax Counsel will be based on the Code, the Treasury Regulations (final, temporary and proposed) thereunder, the existing authorities, and Special U.S. Tax Counsel's interpretation thereof, and on certain factual assumptions and representations as to the Issuer's contemplated activities. The Issuer intends to conduct its affairs in accordance with such assumptions and representations, and the remainder of this summary assumes such result. In addition, in interpreting and complying with the Documents and such assumptions and representations, the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager are entitled to rely upon the advice and/or opinions of their selected counsel, and the opinion of Special U.S. Tax Counsel will assume that any such advice and/or opinions are correct and complete. However, the opinion of Special U.S. Tax Counsel and any such other advice or opinions are not binding on the IRS or the courts, and no ruling will be sought from the IRS regarding this, or any other, aspect of the U.S. federal income tax treatment of the Issuer. Accordingly, in the absence of authority on point, the U.S. federal income tax treatment of the Issuer is not entirely free from doubt, and there can be no assurance that positions contrary to those stated in the opinion of Special U.S. Tax Counsel or any such other advice or opinions may not be asserted successfully by the IRS.

If, notwithstanding the aforementioned opinion of Special U.S. Tax Counsel, it were determined that the Issuer were engaged in a trade or business in the United States (as defined in the Code), and the Issuer had taxable income that was effectively connected with such U.S. trade or business, the Issuer would be subject under the Code to the regular U.S. corporate income tax on such effectively connected taxable income (and possibly to the 30% branch profits tax as well). The imposition of such taxes would materially affect the Issuer's financial ability to make payments with respect to the Securities and could materially affect the yield of the Notes and the return on the Preference Shares.

*United States Withholding Taxes.* Although, based on the foregoing, the Issuer is not expected to be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis, income derived by the Issuer may be subject to withholding taxes imposed by the United States or other countries. Generally, U.S. source interest income received by a foreign corporation not engaged in a trade or business within the United States is subject to U.S. withholding tax at the rate of 30% of the amount thereof. The Code provides an exemption (the "**portfolio interest exemption**") from such withholding tax for interest paid with respect to certain debt obligations issued after July 18, 1984, unless the interest constitutes a certain type of contingent interest or is paid to a 10% shareholder of the payor, to a controlled foreign corporation related

to the payor, or to a bank with respect to a loan entered into in the ordinary course of its business. In this regard, the Issuer is permitted to acquire a particular Collateral Obligation only if the payments thereon are exempt from U.S. withholding taxes at the time of purchase or the obligor is required to make "gross-up" payments that offset fully any such tax on any such payments. Accordingly, assuming compliance with the foregoing restrictions and subject to the foregoing qualifications, income derived by the Issuer will be free of or fully "grossed up" for any material amount of U.S. withholding tax. However, there can be no assurance that income derived by the Issuer will not generally become subject to U.S. withholding tax as a result of a change in U.S. tax law or administrative practice, procedure, or interpretations thereof. It is also anticipated that the Issuer will acquire Collateral Obligations that consist of obligations of non-U.S. issuers. In this regard, the Issuer may only acquire a particular Collateral Obligation if either the payments thereon are not subject to foreign withholding tax or the obligor of the Collateral Obligation is required to make "gross-up" payments.

Prospective investors should be aware that, under certain Treasury Regulations, the IRS may disregard the participation of an intermediary in a "conduit" financing arrangement and the conclusions reached in the immediately preceding paragraph assume that such Treasury Regulations do not apply. Those Treasury Regulations could require withholding of U.S. federal income tax from payments to the Issuer of interest on the Collateral. In order to prevent "conduit" classification, each holder and beneficial owner of a Preference Share (including a Preference Share Component of a Class 1 Composite Security) (other than a subsequent transferee of an interest in the Regulation S Global Preference Shares) that is not a "United States person" (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Trustee written certification in a form of certification acceptable to the Issuer and the Trustee as to whether it is an Affected Bank. Each subsequent transferee (other than an initial transferee from the Initial Purchaser) of an interest in the Regulation S Global Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components of the Class 1 Composite Securities) will be deemed to represent to the Issuer and to the Trustee that it is not an Affected Bank. No transfer of any Preference Share (including a Preference Share Component of a Class 1 Composite Security) to an Affected Bank will be effective, and the Trustee will not recognize any such transfer, unless such transfer is specifically authorized by the Issuer in writing; *provided, however*, that the Issuer shall authorize any such transfer if (x) such transfer would not cause more than 33 1/3% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components of the Class 1 Composite Securities) to be owned by Affected Banks or (y) the transferor is an Affected Bank previously approved by the Issuer. In addition, each Holder and beneficial owner of a Preference Share (including a Preference Share Component of a Class 1 Composite Security) will be required to make the representations set forth under "Transfer Restrictions."

### **Tax Treatment of U.S. Holders of the Notes**

*Treatment of the Notes.* In the opinion of Special U.S. Tax Counsel, the Notes will be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes when issued and this summary assumes such treatment. Further, the Issuer will treat, and each Holder and beneficial owner of a Note (by acquiring such Note or an interest in such Note) will agree to treat, such Note as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes, except as otherwise required by law. With regard to the characterization for U.S. federal income tax purposes of the Notes issued after the Closing Date, prospective investors should note that the characterization of an instrument as debt or equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes is highly factual and must be based on the applicable law and the facts and circumstances existing at the time such instrument is issued and material changes from those existing on the Closing Date (e.g. a material decline in the value of the Issuer's assets, a material adverse change in the Issuer's ability to repay the Notes previously issued, and/or a material decline in the proportion of the Preference Shares) could affect the characterization of the Notes issued after (but not before) such changes. However, the opinion of Special U.S. Tax Counsel is based on current law and certain representations and assumptions and is not binding on the IRS or the courts, and no ruling will be sought from the IRS regarding this, or any other, aspect of the U.S. federal income tax treatment of the Notes. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the IRS will not contend, and that a court will not ultimately hold, that for U.S. federal income tax purposes one

or more Classes of the Notes (e.g., the Class C Notes as a result of the terms of these Notes and place in the Issuer's capital structure) are properly treated as equity in the Issuer. In that case, the U.S. federal income tax consequences to U.S. Holders of the Notes would be substantially the same as those set forth under "Tax Treatment of U.S. Holders of Preference Shares" and there might be adverse U.S. federal income tax consequences to a U.S. Holder of Notes upon the sale, redemption, retirement or other disposition of, or the receipt of certain types of distributions on, the Notes. The following discussion assumes that the Notes will be treated as debt of the Issuer for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

*Interest or Discount on the Notes.* U.S. Holders of the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes generally will include in gross income payments of stated interest as received in accordance with their usual method of tax accounting, as ordinary interest income from sources outside the United States.

If the Issue Price of a Class of Notes is less than the "stated redemption price at maturity" of such Class of Notes by more than a *de minimis* amount, U.S. Holders of Notes of such Class will be considered to have purchased such Notes with original issue discount ("**OID**"). The stated redemption price at maturity of a Class of Notes will be the sum of all payments to be received on Notes of such Class, other than payments of "**qualified stated interest**" (i.e., generally, stated interest which is unconditionally payable in money at least annually during the entire term of a debt instrument). Interest is unconditionally payable if reasonable remedies exist to compel payment as the or the terms of the instrument make late payment or non-payment remote. Prospective U.S. Holders of the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes should note that, because interest on these Notes may not qualify as unconditionally payable on each Payment Date (and, therefore, may not be "qualified stated interest"), all of the stated interest payments on one or both of these Notes classes may be included in the stated redemption prices at maturity, and required to be accrued by U.S. Holders pursuant to the OID rules described below. Such OID inclusion on such Notes generally will be treated as income from sources outside the United States.

A U.S. Holder of such Class of Notes issued with OID will be required to accrue and include in gross income the sum of the "daily portions" of total OID on such Notes for each day during the taxable year on which the U.S. Holder held such Notes, generally under a constant yield method, regardless of such U.S. Holder's usual method of accounting for U.S. federal income tax purposes. If a Note is issued at a discount from its stated principal balance and that discount is considered to represent only a *de minimis* amount of OID, such discount is not subject to accrual under the OID rules and should be included in gross income proportionately as stated principal payments are received. Such *de minimis* OID should be treated as gain from the sale or exchange of property and may be eligible as capital gain if the Note is a capital asset in the hands of the U.S. Holder.

In the case of such Class of Notes that provides for a floating rate of interest, the amount of OID to be accrued over the term of such Notes will be based initially on the assumption that the floating rate in effect for the first accrual period of such Notes will remain constant throughout their term. To the extent such rate varies with respect to any accrual period, such variation will be reflected in an increase or decrease of the amount of OID accrued for such period. Under the foregoing method, U.S. Holders of the Notes may be required to include in gross income increasingly greater amounts of OID and may be required to include OID in advance of the receipt of cash attributable to such income.

The Issuer intends to treat Classes of Notes issued with more than *de minimis* OID as being subject to rules prescribed by Section 1272(a)(6) of the Code using an assumption as to the prepayments on such Class of Notes, as discussed below under "—OID on the Notes." A prepayment assumption applies to debt instruments if payments under such debt instruments may be accelerated by reason of prepayments of other obligations securing such debt instruments.

*OID on the Notes.* The following discussion will apply to a Class of Notes if it is issued with more than *de minimis* OID. Because principal repayments on the Notes are subject to acceleration, the

method by which OID on the Notes is required to be accrued is uncertain. For purposes of accruing OID on these Notes under such circumstances, the Issuer intends to treat these Notes as being subject to the "prepayment assumption method". These rules require that the amount and rate of accrual of OID be calculated based on a prepayment assumption and the anticipated reinvestment rate, if any, relating to the Notes and prescribe a method for adjusting the amount and rate of accrual of the discount where the actual prepayment rate differs from the prepayment assumption. Under the Code, the prepayment assumption must be determined in the manner prescribed by the Treasury Regulations, which have not yet been issued. The legislative history provides, however, that Congress intended the Treasury Regulations to require that the prepayment assumption be the prepayment assumption that is used in determining the initial offering price of the Notes. Solely for purposes of determining OID, market discount and bond premium, the Issuer intends to assume that the Collateral Obligations will either not prepay or any prepayments will be reinvested. No representation is made that the Notes will prepay at the prepayment assumption or at any other rate.

It is possible the IRS could contend that another method of accruing OID with respect to these Notes is appropriate that may result in adverse or more favorable U.S. federal income tax consequences to a U.S. Holder of such Notes. One such alternative method of accruing OID may be the noncontingent bond method that governs contingent payment debt obligations. Such method could affect the amount and character of the gain or loss recognized upon a disposition of a Note.

A purchaser of a Note issued with OID who purchases such Note at a cost greater than the adjusted issue price but less than the stated redemption price at maturity will also be required to include in gross income the sum of the daily portions of OID on such Note. In computing the daily portions of OID, however, the daily portion is equal to the amount that would be the daily portion for the day (computed in accordance with the rules set forth above) *multiplied by* a fraction, the numerator of which is the amount, if any, by which the price paid by the U.S. Holder for such Note exceeds the following amount:

- The sum of the Issue Price plus the aggregate amount of OID that would have been includible in the gross income of an original U.S. Holder (who purchased the Note at the Issue Price); *less*
- Any prior payments included in the stated redemption price at maturity,

and the denominator of which is the sum of the daily portions for such Note for all days beginning on the date after the purchase date and ending on the maturity date computed under the prepayment assumption.

A U.S. Holder who purchases a Note at a cost greater than its stated redemption price at maturity may elect to amortize such premium under a constant yield method over the life of such Note. The amortizable amount for any accrual period would offset the amount of interest that must be included in the gross income of a U.S. Holder in such accrual period. The U.S. Holder's basis in such Note would be reduced by the amount of amortization. It is not clear whether the prepayment assumption would be taken into account in determining the life of such Note for this purpose.

If the Holder acquires a Note at a discount to the adjusted issue price of such Note that is greater than a specified *de minimis* amount, such discount is treated as market discount. Absent an election to accrue into income currently, the amount of accrued market discount on a Note is included in income as ordinary income when principal payments are received or the Holder disposes of the Note. Market discount is included ratably unless a Holder elects to use a constant yield method for accrual. For this purpose, ratable may be the term of the Note, or a Holder may be permitted to accrue market discount in proportion to interest on Notes issued without OID or in proportion to OID on Notes issued with OID.

As a result of the complexity of the OID rules, each U.S. Holder of a Note should consult its own tax advisor regarding the impact of the OID rules on its investment in such Note.

*Election to Treat All Interest as OID.* The OID rules permit a U.S. Holder of a Note to elect to accrue all interest, discount (including *de minimis* market or original issue discount) and premium in income, based on a constant yield method. If an election to treat all interest as OID were to be made with respect to a Note with market discount, the U.S. Holder of such Note would be deemed to have made an election to include in income currently market discount with respect to all other debt instruments having market discount that such U.S. Holder acquires during the taxable year of the election or thereafter. A U.S. Holder that makes this election for a Note that is acquired at a premium will be deemed to have made an election to amortize bond premium with respect to all debt instruments having amortizable bond premium that such U.S. Holder owns or acquires. The election to accrue interest, discount and premium on a constant yield method with respect to a Note cannot be revoked without the consent of the IRS.

*Disposition of the Notes.* In general, a U.S. Holder of a Note initially will have a basis in such Note equal to the cost of such Note to such U.S. Holder, (i) increased by any amount includable in income by such U.S. Holder as OID and by any accrued market discount the Holder previously included in income with respect to such Note, and (ii) reduced by any amortized premium and by payments on such Note, other than payments of qualified stated interest. Upon a sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other taxable disposition of a Note, a U.S. Holder will generally recognize gain or loss equal to the difference between the amount realized on the disposition (other than amounts attributable to accrued qualified stated interest, which will be taxable as described above) and the U.S. Holder's tax basis in such Note. Except to the extent of any accrued interest or accrued market discount not previously included in income, gain or loss from the disposition of a Note generally will be long term capital gain or loss if the U.S. Holder held the Note for more than one year at the time of disposition, *provided* that such Note is held as a "capital asset" (generally, property held for investment) within the meaning of Section 1221 of the Code.

In certain circumstances, U.S. Holders that are individuals may be entitled to preferential treatment for net long-term capital gains; however, the ability of U.S. Holders to offset capital losses against ordinary income is limited.

Gain recognized by a U.S. Holder on the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other taxable disposition of a Note generally will be treated as from sources within the United States and loss so recognized generally will offset income from sources within the United States.

## **Tax Treatment of U.S. Holders of Preference Shares**

*Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company.* The Issuer will constitute a "passive foreign investment company" ("PFIC") and the Preference Shares will be treated as equity in the Issuer. Accordingly, U.S. Holders of Preference Shares (other than certain U.S. Holders that are subject to the rules pertaining to a "controlled foreign corporation" with respect to the Issuer, described below) will be considered U.S. shareholders in a PFIC. In general, a U.S. Holder of a PFIC may desire to make an election to treat the Issuer as a "qualified electing fund" ("QEF") with respect to such U.S. Holder. Generally, a QEF election should be made with the filing of a U.S. Holder's federal income tax return for the first taxable year for which it held the Preference Shares. If a timely QEF election is made for the Issuer, an electing U.S. Holder will be required in each taxable year to include in gross income (i) as ordinary income, such holder's *pro rata* share of the Issuer's ordinary earnings and (ii) as long-term capital gain, such holder's *pro rata* share of the Issuer's net capital gain, whether or not distributed. A U.S. Holder will not be eligible for the dividends received deduction in respect of such income or gain. In addition, any losses of the Issuer in a taxable year will not be available to such U.S. Holder and may not be carried back or forward in computing the Issuer's ordinary earnings and net capital gain in other taxable years. An amount included in an electing U.S. Holder's gross income should be treated as income from sources outside the United States for U.S. foreign tax credit limitation purposes. However, if U.S. Holders collectively own (directly or constructively) 50% or more (measured by vote or value) of the Preference Shares, such amount will be treated as income from sources within the United States for such purposes to the extent that such amount is attributable to income of the Issuer from sources within the

United States. If applicable to a U.S. Holder of Preference Shares, the rules pertaining to a "controlled foreign corporation", discussed below, generally override those pertaining to a PFIC with respect to which a QEF election is in effect.

In certain cases in which a QEF does not distribute all of its earnings in a taxable year, U.S. shareholders may also be permitted to elect to defer payment of some or all of the taxes on the QEF's undistributed income subject to an interest charge on the deferred amount. In this respect, prospective purchasers of Preference Shares should be aware that it is expected that the Collateral Obligations may be purchased by the Issuer with substantial OID the cash payment of which may be deferred, perhaps for a substantial period of time, and the Issuer may use interest and other income from the Collateral Obligations to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or to retire the Notes. As a result, the Issuer may have in any given year substantial amounts of earnings for U.S. federal income tax purposes that are not distributed on the Preference Shares. Thus, absent an election to defer payment of taxes, U.S. Holders that make a QEF election with respect to the Issuer may owe tax on significant "phantom" income.

In addition, it should be noted that if the Issuer invests in obligations that are not in registered form, a U.S. Holder making a QEF election (i) may not be permitted to take a deduction for any loss attributable to such obligations when calculating its share of the Issuer's earnings and (ii) may be required to treat income attributable to such obligations as ordinary income even though the income would otherwise constitute capital gains. It is possible that some portion of the investments of the Issuer will constitute obligations that are not in registered form.

The Issuer will provide, upon request, all information and documentation that a U.S. Holder making a QEF election is required to obtain for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

A U.S. Holder of Preference Shares (other than certain U.S. Holders that are subject to the rules pertaining to a "controlled foreign corporation," described below) that does not make a timely QEF election will be required to report any gain on disposition of any Preference Shares as if it were an excess distribution, rather than capital gain, and to compute the tax liability on such gain and other "excess distributions" received in respect of the Preference Shares as if such items had been earned ratably over each day in the U.S. Holder's holding period (or a certain portion thereof) for the Preference Shares. The U.S. Holder will be subject to tax on such items at the highest ordinary income tax rate for each taxable year, other than the current year of the U.S. Holder, in which the items were treated as having been earned, regardless of the rate otherwise applicable to the U.S. Holder. Further, such U.S. Holder will also be liable for an additional tax equal to interest on the tax liability attributable to income allocated to prior years as if such liability had been due with respect to each such prior year. For purposes of these rules, gifts, exchanges pursuant to corporate reorganizations and use of the Preference Shares as security for a loan may be treated as a taxable disposition of the Preference Shares. Very generally, an "excess distribution" is the amount by which distributions during a taxable year in respect of a Preference Share exceed 125 percent of the average amount of distributions in respect thereof during the three preceding taxable years (or, if shorter, the U.S. Holder's holding period for the Preference Share). In addition, a stepped-up basis in the Preference Share upon the death of an individual U.S. Holder may not be available.

In many cases, application of the tax on gain on disposition and receipt of excess distributions will be substantially more onerous than the treatment applicable if a timely QEF election is made. ACCORDINGLY, U.S. HOLDERS OF PREFERENCE SHARES SHOULD CONSIDER CAREFULLY WHETHER TO MAKE A QEF ELECTION WITH RESPECT TO THE PREFERENCE SHARES AND THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT MAKING SUCH AN ELECTION.

*Investment in a Controlled Foreign Corporation.* The Issuer may be classified as a controlled foreign corporation ("CFC"). In general, a foreign corporation will be classified as a CFC if more than 50% of the shares of the corporation, measured by reference to combined voting power or value, is owned (actually or constructively) by "U.S. Shareholders." A U.S. Shareholder, for this purpose, is in general

any U.S. Holder that possesses (actually or constructively) 10% or more of the combined voting power (generally the right to vote for directors of the corporation) of all classes of shares of a corporation. Although the Preference Shares do not vote for directors of the Issuer, it is possible that the IRS would assert that the Preference Shares are de facto voting securities and that U.S. Holders possessing (actually or constructively) 10% or more of the total stated amount of Outstanding Preference Shares are U.S. Shareholders. If this argument were successful and more than 50% of the Preference Shares (determined with respect to aggregate value or vote) are owned (actually or constructively) by such U.S. Shareholders, the Issuer would be treated as a CFC.

If the Issuer were treated as a CFC, a U.S. Shareholder of the Issuer (at the end of the taxable year of the Issuer) would be treated, subject to certain exceptions, as receiving a deemed dividend in an amount equal to that person's *pro rata* share of the "subpart F income" of the Issuer. Such deemed dividend normally would be treated as income from sources within the United States for U.S. foreign tax credit limitation purposes to the extent that it is attributable to income of the Issuer from sources within the United States. Among other items, and subject to certain exceptions, "subpart F income" includes dividends, interest, annuities, gains from the sale of shares and securities, certain gains from commodities transactions, income from certain notional principal contracts, certain types of insurance income and income from certain transactions with related parties. It is likely that, if the Issuer were to constitute a CFC, all or most of its income would be subpart F income. In general, if the subpart F income exceeds 70% of the Issuer's gross income, the entire amount of the Issuer's income will be subpart F income. U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisors regarding these special rules.

If the Issuer were treated as a CFC, a U.S. Shareholder of the Issuer which made a QEF election with respect to the Issuer would be taxable on the subpart F income of the Issuer under rules described in the preceding paragraph and not under the QEF rules previously described. As a result, to the extent subpart F income of the Issuer includes net capital gains, such gains would be treated as ordinary income of the U.S. Shareholder under the CFC rules, notwithstanding the fact that the character of such gains generally would otherwise be preserved under the QEF rules.

Furthermore, if the Issuer were treated as a CFC and a U.S. Holder were treated as a U.S. Shareholder therein, the Issuer would not be treated as a PFIC or a QEF with respect to such U.S. Holder for the period during which the Issuer remained a CFC and such U.S. Holder remained a U.S. Shareholder therein (the "qualified portion" of the U.S. Holder's holding period for the Preference Shares). If the qualified portion of such U.S. Holder's holding period for the Preference Shares subsequently ceased (either because the Issuer ceased to be a CFC or the U.S. Holder ceased to be a U.S. Shareholder), then solely for purposes of the PFIC rules, such U.S. Holder's holding period for the Preference Shares would be treated as beginning on the first day following the end of such qualified portion, unless the U.S. Holder had owned any Preference Shares for any period of time prior to such qualified portion and had not made a QEF election with respect to the Issuer. In that case, the Issuer would again be treated as a PFIC which is not a QEF with respect to such U.S. Holder and the beginning of such U.S. Holder's holding period for the Preference Shares would continue to be the date upon which such U.S. Holder acquired the Preference Shares, unless the U.S. Holder made an election to recognize gain with respect to the Preference Shares and a QEF election with respect to the Issuer.

*Indirect Interests in PFICs and CFCs.* If the Issuer owns a Collateral Obligation or a Qualified Equity Security issued by a non-U.S. corporation that is treated as equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes, U.S. Holders of Preference Shares could be treated as owning an indirect equity interest in a PFIC or a CFC and could be subject to certain adverse tax consequences.

In particular, if the Issuer owns equity interests in PFICs ("**Lower-Tier PFICs**"), a U.S. Holder of Preference Shares would be treated as owning directly the U.S. Holder's proportionate amount (by value) of the Issuer's equity interests in the Lower-Tier PFICs. A U.S. Holder's QEF election with respect to the Issuer would not be effective with respect to such Lower-Tier PFICs. However, a U.S. Holder would be able to make QEF elections with respect to such Lower-Tier PFICs if the Lower-Tier PFICs



provide certain information and documentation to the Issuer in accordance with applicable Treasury Regulations. However, there can be no assurance that the Issuer would be able to obtain such information and documentation from any Lower-Tier PFIC, and thus there can be no assurance that a U.S. Holder would be able to make or maintain a QEF election with respect to any Lower-Tier PFIC. If a U.S. Holder does not have a QEF election in effect with respect to a Lower-Tier PFIC, as a general matter, the U.S. Holder would be subject to the adverse consequences described above under "—Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company" with respect to any excess distributions made by such Lower-Tier PFIC to the Issuer, any gain on the disposition by the Issuer of its equity interest in such Lower-Tier PFIC treated as indirectly realized by such U.S. Holder, and any gain treated as indirectly realized by such U.S. Holder on the disposition of its equity in the Issuer (which may arise even if the U.S. Holder realizes a loss on such disposition). Such amount would not be reduced by expenses or losses of the Issuer, but any income recognized may increase a U.S. Holder's tax basis in its Preference Shares. Moreover, if the U.S. Holder has a QEF election in effect with respect to a Lower-Tier PFIC, the U.S. Holder would be required to include in income the U.S. Holder's *pro rata* share of the Lower-Tier PFIC's ordinary earnings and net capital gain as if the U.S. Holder's indirect equity interest in the Lower-Tier PFIC were directly owned, and it appears that the U.S. Holder would not be permitted to use any losses or other expenses of the Issuer to offset such ordinary earnings and/or net capital gains but recognition of such income may increase a U.S. Holder's tax basis in its Preference Shares.

Accordingly, if any of the Collateral Obligations or Qualified Equity Securities are treated as equity interests in a PFIC, such U.S. Holders could experience significant amounts of phantom income with respect to such interests. Other adverse tax consequences may arise for such U.S. Holders that are treated as owning indirect interests in CFCs. U.S. Holders should consult their own tax advisors regarding the tax issues associated with such investments in light of their own individual circumstances.

*Distributions on the Preference Shares.* The treatment of actual distributions of cash on the Preference Shares, in very general terms, will vary depending on whether a U.S. Holder has made a timely QEF election as described above. See "—Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company." If a timely QEF election has been made, distributions should be allocated first to amounts previously taxed pursuant to the QEF election (or pursuant to the CFC rules, if applicable) and to this extent will not be taxable to U.S. Holders. Distributions in excess of such previously taxed amounts pursuant to a QEF election (or pursuant to the CFC rules, if applicable) will be taxable to U.S. Holders as ordinary income upon receipt to the extent of any remaining amounts of untaxed current and accumulated earnings and profits of the Issuer. Distributions in excess of any current and accumulated earnings and profits will be treated first as a nontaxable reduction to the U.S. Holder's tax basis for the Preference Shares to the extent thereof and then as capital gain.

In the event that a U.S. Holder does not make a timely QEF election, then except to the extent that distributions may be attributable to amounts previously taxed pursuant to the CFC rules, some or all of any distributions with respect to the Preference Shares may constitute "excess distributions," taxable as previously described. See "—Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company." In that event, except to the extent that distributions may be attributable to amounts previously taxed to the U.S. Holder pursuant to the CFC rules or are treated as "excess distributions," distributions on the Preference Shares generally would be treated as dividends to the extent paid out of the Issuer's current or accumulated earnings and profits not allocated to any "excess distributions," then as a nontaxable reduction to the U.S. Holder's tax basis for the Preference Shares to the extent thereof and then as capital gain. Dividends received from a foreign corporation generally will be treated as income from sources outside the United States for U.S. foreign tax credit limitation purposes. However, if U.S. Holders collectively own (directly or constructively) 50% or more (measured by vote or value) of the Preference Shares, a percentage of the dividend income equal to the proportion of the Issuer's earnings and profits from sources within the United States generally will be treated as income from sources within the United States for such purposes.

*Purchase or Disposition of the Preference Shares.* In general, a U.S. Holder of a Preference Share will recognize a gain or loss upon the sale, exchange, redemption or other taxable disposition of a Preference Share equal to the difference between the amount realized and such U.S. Holder's adjusted tax basis in the Preference Share. Except as discussed below, such gain or loss will be a capital gain or loss and will be a long-term capital gain or loss if the U.S. Holder held the Preference Shares for more than one year at the time of the disposition. In certain circumstances, U.S. Holders who are individuals may be entitled to preferential treatment for net long-term capital gains; however, the ability of U.S. Holders to offset capital losses against ordinary income is limited. Any gain recognized by a U.S. Holder on the sale, exchange, redemption or other taxable disposition of a Preference Share (other than, in the case of a U.S. Holder treated as a "U.S. Shareholder," any such gain characterized as a dividend, as discussed below) generally will be treated as from sources within the United States and loss so recognized generally will offset income from sources within the United States.

Initially, a U.S. Holder's tax basis for a Preference Share will equal the cost of such Preference Share to such U.S. Holder. Such basis will be increased by amounts taxable to such U.S. Holder by virtue of a QEF election, or by virtue of the CFC rules, as applicable, and decreased by actual distributions from the Issuer that are deemed to consist of such previously taxed amounts or are treated as a nontaxable reduction to the U.S. Holder's tax basis for the Preference Share (as described above).

If a U.S. Holder does not make a timely QEF election as described above, any gain realized on the sale, exchange, redemption or other taxable disposition of a Preference Share (or any gain deemed to accrue prior to the time a non-timely QEF election is made) will be taxed as ordinary income and subject to an additional tax reflecting a deemed interest charge under the special tax rules described above. See "—Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company."

If the Issuer were treated as a CFC and a U.S. Holder were treated as a "U.S. Shareholder" therein, then any gain realized by such U.S. Holder upon the disposition of Preference Shares, other than gain constituting an excess distribution under the PFIC rules, if applicable, would be treated as ordinary income to the extent of the U.S. Holder's share of the current or accumulated earnings and profits of the Issuer. In this regard, earnings and profits would not include any amounts previously taxed pursuant to a timely QEF election or pursuant to the CFC rules.

### **Tax Treatment of Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders**

U.S. Holders which are tax-exempt entities ("**Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders**") will not be subject to the tax on unrelated business taxable income ("**UBTI**") with respect to interest and capital gains income derived from an investment in the Notes. However, a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder that also acquires the Preference Shares (or, any Note recharacterized as equity in the Issuer) should consider whether interest it receives in respect of the Notes may be treated as UBTI under rules governing certain payments received from controlled entities.

A Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder generally will not be subject to the tax on UBTI with respect to regular distributions or "excess distributions" (defined above under "Tax Treatment of U.S. Holders of Preference Shares - Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company") on the Preference Shares (or, any Note recharacterized as equity in the Issuer). A Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder which is not subject to tax on UBTI with respect to "excess distributions" may not make a QEF election. In addition, a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder which is subject to the rules relating to "controlled foreign corporations" with respect to the Preference Shares (or, any Note recharacterized as equity in the Issuer) generally should not be subject to the tax on UBTI with respect to income from such Preference Shares (or, any Note recharacterized as equity in the Issuer).

Notwithstanding the discussion in the preceding two paragraphs, a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder which incurs "acquisition indebtedness" (as defined in Section 514(c) of the Code) with respect to the Securities may be subject to the tax on UBTI with respect to income from the Securities to the extent that

the Securities constitute "debt-financed property" (as defined in Section 514(b) of the Code) of the Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder. A Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder subject to the tax on UBTI with respect to income from the Preference Shares (or, and Note recharacterized as equity in the Issuer) will be taxed on "excess distributions" in the manner discussed above under "Tax Treatment of U.S. Holders of Preference Shares—Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company". Such a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder will be permitted, and should consider whether, to make a QEF election with respect to the Issuer as discussed above.

Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders should consult their own tax advisors regarding an investment in the Securities.

### **Transfer Reporting Requirements**

A U.S. Holder of Preference Shares (and, any Note recharacterized as equity in the Issuer) that owns (actually or constructively) at least 10% by vote or value of the Issuer (and each officer or director of the Issuer that is a U.S. citizen or resident) may be required to file an information return on IRS Form 5471. A U.S. Holder of Preference Shares (and, any Note recharacterized as equity in the Issuer) generally is required to provide additional information regarding the Issuer annually on IRS Form 5471 if it owns (actually or constructively) more than 50% by vote or value of the Issuer. U.S. Holders should consult their own tax advisors regarding whether they are required to file IRS Form 5471.

A U.S. person (including a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder) that purchases the Preference Shares for cash will be required to file a Form 926 or similar form with the IRS if (i) such person owned, directly or by attribution, immediately after the transfer at least 10% by vote or value of the Issuer or (ii) if the transfer, when aggregated with all transfers made by such person (or any related person) within the preceding 12 month period, exceeds \$100,000. In the event a U.S. Holder fails to file any such required form, the U.S. Holder could be required to pay a penalty equal to 10% of the gross amount paid for such Preference Shares (subject to a maximum penalty of \$100,000, except in cases involving intentional disregard). U.S. persons should consult their tax advisors with respect to this or any other reporting requirement which may apply with respect to their acquisition of the Preference Shares.

### **Tax Return Disclosure and Investor List Requirements**

Any person that files a U.S. federal income tax return or U.S. federal information return and participates in a "reportable transaction" in a taxable year is required to disclose certain information on IRS Form 8886 (or its successor form) attached to such person's U.S. tax return for such taxable year (and also file a copy of such form with the IRS's Office of Tax Shelter Analysis) and to retain certain documents related to the transaction. In addition, under certain circumstances, certain organizers and sellers and advisors of a "reportable transaction" are required to file reports with the IRS and also will be required to maintain lists of participants in the transaction containing identifying information, retain certain documents related to the transaction, and furnish those lists and documents to the IRS upon request. Recently enacted legislation imposes significant penalties for failure to comply with these disclosure and list keeping requirements. The definition of "reportable transaction" is highly technical. However, in very general terms, a transaction may be a "reportable transaction" if, among other things, it is offered under conditions of confidentiality, it results in the claiming of a loss or losses for U.S. federal income tax purposes in excess of certain threshold amounts, or an item from the transaction is treated differently for U.S. federal income tax purposes and for book purposes (generally under U.S. generally accepted accounting principles).

In this regard, in order to prevent the investors' purchase of the Securities in this offering from being treated as offered under conditions of confidentiality, the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer and the Holders and beneficial owners of the Securities (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) may disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions described herein (including the ownership and disposition of the

Securities) and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to them relating to such tax treatment and tax structure. For this purpose, the tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction, and the tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. federal income tax treatment of the transaction.

In addition, under these Treasury Regulations, if the Issuer participates in a "reportable transaction", a U.S. Holder of Preference Shares that is a "reporting shareholder" of the Issuer will be treated as participating in the transaction and will be subject to the rules described above. Although most of the Issuer's activities generally are not expected to give rise to "reportable transactions", the Issuer nevertheless may participate in certain types of transactions that could be treated as "reportable transactions." A U.S. Holder of Preference Shares will be treated as a "reporting shareholder" of the Issuer if (i) such U.S. Holder owns 10% or more of the Preference Shares and makes a QEF election with respect to the Issuer or (ii) the Issuer is treated as a CFC and such U.S. Holder is a "U.S. Shareholder" (as defined above) of the Issuer. The Issuer will make reasonable efforts to make such information available.

Prospective investors in the Securities should consult their own tax advisors concerning any possible disclosure obligations under these Treasury Regulations with respect to their ownership or disposition of the Securities in light of their particular circumstances.

### **Tax Treatment of Non-U.S. Holders of Securities**

In general, payments on the Securities to a Holder that is not, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a U.S. Holder (a "**non-U.S. Holder**") and gain realized on the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other disposition of the Securities by a non-U.S. Holder, will not be subject to U.S. federal income or withholding tax, unless (i) such income is effectively connected with a trade or business conducted by such non-U.S. Holder in the United States, or (ii) in the case of gain, such non-U.S. Holder is a nonresident alien individual who holds the Securities as a capital asset and is present in the United States for more than 182 days in the taxable year of the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other disposition and certain other conditions are satisfied.

### **Information Reporting and Backup Withholding**

Under certain circumstances, the Code requires "information reporting," and may require "backup withholding" with respect to certain payments made on the Securities and the payment of the proceeds from the disposition of the Securities. Backup withholding generally will not apply to corporations, tax-exempt organizations, qualified pension and profit sharing trusts, and individual retirement accounts. Backup withholding will apply to a U.S. Holder if the U.S. Holder fails to provide certain identifying information (such as the U.S. Holder's taxpayer identification number) or otherwise comply with the applicable requirements of the backup withholding rules. The application for exemption from backup withholding for a U.S. Holder is available by providing a properly completed IRS Form W-9.

A non-U.S. Holder of the Securities generally will not be subject to these information reporting requirements or backup withholding with respect to payments of interest or distributions on the Securities if (1) it certifies to the Trustee its status as a non-U.S. Holder under penalties of perjury on the appropriate IRS Form W-8, and (2) in the case of a non-U.S. Holder that is a "nonwithholding foreign partnership," "foreign simple trust" or "foreign grantor trust" as defined in the applicable Treasury Regulations, the beneficial owners of such non-U.S. Holder also certify to the Trustee their status as non-U.S. persons under penalties of perjury on the appropriate IRS Form W-8 or as U.S. persons under penalties of perjury on IRS Form W-9.

The payments of the proceeds from the disposition of a Security by a non-U.S. Holder to or through the U.S. office of a broker generally will not be subject to information reporting and backup withholding if the non-U.S. Holder certifies its status as a non-U.S. Holder (and, if applicable, its

beneficial owners also certify their status as non-U.S. Holders) under penalties of perjury on the appropriate IRS Form W-8, satisfies certain documentary evidence requirements for establishing that it is a non-U.S. Holder or otherwise establishes an exemption. The payment of the proceeds from the disposition of a Security by a non-U.S. Holder to or through a non-U.S. office of a non-U.S. broker will not be subject to backup withholding or information reporting unless the non-U.S. broker has certain specific types of relationships to the United States, in which case the treatment of such payment for such purposes will be as described in the following sentence. The payment of proceeds from the disposition of a Security by a non-U.S. Holder to or through a non-U.S. office of a U.S. broker or to or through a non-U.S. broker with certain specific types of relationships to the United States generally will not be subject to backup withholding but will be subject to information reporting unless the non-U.S. Holder certifies its status as a non-U.S. Holder (and, if applicable, its beneficial owners also certify their status as non-U.S. Holders) under penalties of perjury or the broker has certain documentary evidence in its files as to the non-U.S. Holder's foreign status and the broker has no actual knowledge to the contrary.

Backup withholding is not an additional tax and may be refunded (or credited against the U.S. Holder's or non-U.S. Holder's U.S. federal income tax liability, if any); *provided* that certain required information is furnished to the U.S. Internal Revenue Service. The information reporting requirements may apply regardless of whether withholding is required.

### **Cayman Islands Tax Considerations**

The following discussion of certain Cayman Islands income tax consequences of an investment in the Securities is based on the advice of Maples and Calder as to Cayman Islands law. The discussion is a general summary of present law, which is subject to prospective and retroactive change. It assumes that the Issuer will conduct its affairs in accordance with assumptions made by, and representations made to, counsel. It is not intended as tax advice, does not consider any investor's particular circumstances, and does not consider tax consequences other than those arising under Cayman Islands law.

Under existing Cayman Islands laws:

(i) payments of principal and interest on the Notes and dividends and capital in respect of the Preference Shares will not be subject to taxation in the Cayman Islands and no withholding will be required on such payments to any Holder of a Security and gains derived from the sale of Securities will not be subject to Cayman Islands income or corporation tax. The Cayman Islands currently have no income, corporation or capital gains tax and no estate duty, inheritance tax or gift tax;

(ii) no stamp duty is payable in respect of the issue or transfer of Securities although duty may be payable if Notes are executed in or brought into the Cayman Islands; and

(iii) certificates evidencing Securities, in registered form, to which title is not transferable by delivery, should not attract Cayman Islands stamp duty. However, an instrument transferring title to a Note, if brought to or executed in the Cayman Islands, would be subject to Cayman Islands stamp duty.

The Issuer has been incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands as an exempted company and, as such, has applied for and obtained an undertaking from the Governor in Cabinet of the Cayman Islands in substantially the following form:

"THE TAX CONCESSIONS LAW  
(1999 REVISION)  
UNDERTAKING AS TO TAX CONCESSIONS

In accordance with Section 6 of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision) the Governor in Cabinet undertakes with:

Southfork CLO Ltd. "the Company"

- (a) that no Law which is hereafter enacted in the Islands imposing any tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations shall apply to the Company or its operations; and
- (b) in addition, that no tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations or which is in the nature of estate duty or inheritance tax shall be payable
  - (i) on or in respect of the shares debentures or other obligations of the Company; or
  - (ii) by way of the withholding in whole or in part of any relevant payment as defined in Section 6(3) of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision).

These concessions shall be for a period of TWENTY years from the 16th day of November, 2004.

GOVERNOR IN CABINET"

The Cayman Islands does not have an income tax treaty arrangement with the U.S. or any other country.

THE PRECEDING DISCUSSION IS ONLY A SUMMARY OF CERTAIN OF THE TAX IMPLICATIONS OF AN INVESTMENT IN THE SECURITIES. PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS ARE URGED TO CONSULT WITH THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS PRIOR TO INVESTING TO DETERMINE THE TAX IMPLICATIONS OF SUCH INVESTMENT IN LIGHT OF SUCH INVESTORS' CIRCUMSTANCES.

**ERISA CONSIDERATIONS**

The U.S. Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("**ERISA**"), imposes fiduciary standards and certain other requirements on employee benefit plans and other retirement arrangements subject thereto, including collective investment funds, insurance company general and separate accounts whose underlying assets are treated as if they were assets of such plans pursuant to the U.S. Department of Labor's "plan assets" regulation, set forth at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 (the "**Plan Assets Regulation**"), and on those persons who are fiduciaries with respect to such plans or arrangements. ERISA's general fiduciary requirements include the requirements of investment prudence and diversification and that investments be made in accordance with the governing plan documents. The prudence of a particular investment will be determined by the responsible fiduciary by taking into account the particular circumstances of the plan and all of the facts and circumstances of the investment including, but not limited to, the matters discussed above under "Risk Factors" and the fact that in the future there may be no market in which such fiduciary will be able to sell or otherwise dispose of an investment.

In addition, Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code prohibit certain transactions involving the assets of plans and arrangements subject to ERISA (as well as those that are not subject to ERISA but which are subject to Section 4975 of the Code (together "**Plans**")) and certain persons (referred to as "parties in interest" or "disqualified persons" (collectively, "**Parties in Interest**")) having certain relationships to such Plans, unless a statutory or administrative exemption applies to the transaction. In particular, a sale or exchange of property or an extension of credit between a Plan and a Party in Interest may constitute a prohibited transaction. In the case of indebtedness, the prohibited

transaction provisions apply throughout the term of such indebtedness (and not only on the date of the initial borrowing). A Party in Interest who engages in a prohibited transaction may be subject to excise taxes or other liabilities under ERISA and the Code.

Governmental, church and non-U.S. plans, while not subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA or the provisions of Section 4975 of the Code, may nevertheless be subject to U.S. federal, state or local laws or non-U.S. laws that are substantially similar to the foregoing provisions of ERISA and the Code. Fiduciaries of any such plans should consult with their counsel before purchasing any Notes.

Under a "look-through rule" set forth in the Plan Assets Regulation, if a Plan invests in an "equity interest" of an entity such as the Issuer and no other exception applies, the Plan's assets include both the equity interest and an undivided interest in each of the entity's underlying assets. An equity interest does not include debt (as determined by applicable local law) which does not have any substantial equity features. Under the Plan Assets Regulation, if a Plan invests in an "equity interest" of an entity that is neither a "publicly-offered security" nor a security issued by an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act, the Plan's assets include both the equity interest and an undivided interest in each of the entity's underlying assets, unless it is established that the entity is an "operating company" or that equity participation in the entity by Benefit Plan Investors is not "significant." Equity participation in an entity by Benefit Plan Investors is "significant" if 25% or more of the value of any class of equity interest in the entity is held by Benefit Plan Investors, as calculated under the Plan Assets Regulation. The term "**Benefit Plan Investor**" includes (a) an employee benefit plan (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA whether or not subject to ERISA), (b) a plan (as defined in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code whether or not subject to Section 4975) or (c) any entity whose underlying assets include "plan assets" by reason of any such plan's investment in the entity and thus would include most governmental, church and non-U.S. plans.

The Preference Shares and the Composite Securities would likely be considered to have substantial equity features under the Plan Assets Regulation, and the Issuer does not intend to limit the value of the interests held by Benefit Plan Investors in each class of Notes to below 25%. However, as (i) no employee benefit plan (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA which is subject to ERISA), (ii) no plan (as defined in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code which is subject to Section 4975 of the Code) and (iii) no entity whose underlying assets include "plan assets" by reason of such plan's investment in the entity (collectively, "**ERISA Plans**") shall be permitted to acquire either Preference Shares or Composite Securities in the initial offering or thereafter, the fiduciary responsibility and prohibited transaction provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code will not be applicable to the Issuer or to any other Benefit Plan Investors who invest in the Preference Shares or the Composite Securities. Therefore, provided no ERISA Plans acquire either Preference Shares or Composite Securities, even if other types of Benefit Plan Investors hold 25% or more of the value of one or more classes of Preference Shares or Composite Securities, the assets of the Issuer should not be deemed "plan assets" under the Plan Asset Regulations for purposes of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code.

In determining whether or not a Benefit Plan Investor is an ERISA Plan, life insurance company general accounts (both U.S. and non-U.S.) should consider the effect of the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in *John Hancock Life Insurance Co. v. Harris Trust and Savings Bank*, 510 U.S. 86 (1993), which held that those funds allocated to the general account of an insurance company pursuant to contracts which vary with the investment experience of the insurance company's general account and are attributable to ERISA Plans are considered to be "plan assets." Despite the presence of such contracts attributable to ERISA Plans invested in the general account, if the insurance company complies with certain regulations issued by the U.S. Department of Labor under Section 401(c) of ERISA, it will not be deemed to hold the plan assets of any ERISA Plans. However, any separate account funds held on behalf of an ERISA Plan by a life insurance company (whether held in or outside of the U.S.) would generally be considered to be "plan assets." Any Benefit Plan Investor, including a life insurance company general

account, should consult with its counsel in determining whether or not it is an ERISA Plan prior to investing in the Preference Shares or the Composite Securities.

BY ITS PURCHASE OR HOLDING OF A PREFERENCE SHARE OR COMPOSITE SECURITY, OR ANY INTEREST THEREIN, THE PURCHASER AND/OR HOLDER THEREOF AND EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE REQUIRED OR WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE REPRESENTED AND WARRANTED THAT, AT THE TIME OF ITS ACQUISITION, AND THROUGHOUT THE PERIOD THAT IT HOLDS SUCH PREFERENCE SHARE, COMPOSITE SECURITY OR INTEREST THEREIN, THAT (1) IT IS NOT AN ERISA PLAN; AND IF AFTER ITS INITIAL ACQUISITION OF A PREFERENCE SHARE, A COMPOSITE SECURITY OR ANY INTEREST THEREIN, THE INVESTOR DETERMINES, IT IS DETERMINED BY ANOTHER PARTY, OR THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT BECOMES AWARE, THAT SUCH INVESTOR IS AN ERISA PLAN, THE INVESTOR WILL DISPOSE OF ALL OF ITS PREFERENCE SHARES AND COMPOSITE SECURITIES IN A MANNER CONSISTENT WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS OR INDENTURE, AS APPLICABLE, AND (2) IF IT IS A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OTHER THAN AN ERISA PLAN, ITS PURCHASE, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES OR COMPOSITE SECURITIES WILL NOT CAUSE A NON-EXEMPT VIOLATION OF ANY U.S. FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL LAW OR ANY NON-U.S. LAW WHICH IS SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE AS A RESULT OF THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREIN AND (3) IT WILL NOT SELL OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER ANY SUCH PREFERENCE SHARE, COMPOSITE SECURITY OR INTEREST THEREIN, TO ANY PERSON WHO IS UNABLE TO SATISFY THE SAME FOREGOING REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES.

Based on the credit quality and the absence of rights to payment in excess of principal and stated interest, the Issuer believes that the Notes should not be considered "equity interests" for purposes of the Plan Assets Regulation. Nevertheless, prohibited transactions within the meaning of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code may arise if the Notes are acquired by a Plan with respect to which the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager, or any of their respective affiliates, is a Party in Interest. Similarly, "prohibited transactions" within the meaning of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code may arise if a person or entity which is a Party in Interest with respect to a Plan acquires or holds 50% or more of the aggregate equity interest in the Issuer. Certain exemptions from the prohibited transaction provisions of Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code may apply depending in part on the type of Plan fiduciary making the decision to acquire a Note and the circumstances under which such decision is made. Included among these exemptions are Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption ("PTCE") 84-14 (relating to transactions effected by a "qualified professional asset manager"), PTCE 90-1 (relating to investments by insurance company pooled separate accounts), PTCE 91-38 (relating to investments by bank collective investment funds), PTCE 95-60 (relating to investments by insurance company general accounts) and PTCE 96-23 (relating to transactions determined by an in-house asset manager). There can be no assurance that any of these class exemptions or any other exemption will be available with respect to any particular transaction involving the Notes. The purchase and holding of the Notes could also result in a violation of U.S. federal, state, local or non-U.S. law which is substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code.

BY ITS PURCHASE OR HOLDING OF ANY NOTES, OR ANY INTEREST THEREIN, THE PURCHASER AND/OR HOLDER THEREOF AND EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE REPRESENTED AND WARRANTED EITHER THAT (A) IT IS NOT AN EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN (AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(3) OF ERISA AND SUBJECT TO ERISA), OR A PLAN (AS DEFINED IN SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE CODE AND SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE), OR A GOVERNMENTAL, CHURCH, NON-U.S. OR OTHER PLAN WHICH IS SUBJECT TO ANY U.S. FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL OR NON-U.S. LAW THAT IS SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, OR AN ENTITY WHOSE ASSETS ARE TREATED AS ASSETS OF



ANY SUCH PLAN OR (B) ITS PURCHASE, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF A NOTE, OR ANY INTEREST THEREIN, WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE AND WILL NOT CAUSE A NON-EXEMPT VIOLATION OF ANY U.S. FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL OR NON-U.S. LAW WHICH IS SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE.

### **Other Fiduciary Considerations**

Despite the prohibition upon, and the procedures employed to prevent, the acquisition of Preference Shares or Composite Securities by ERISA Plans, there can be no assurances that an ERISA Plan will not in fact acquire Preference Shares in violation of such restriction. In such an event, if the total value of the Preference Shares or Composite Securities in one or more classes held by Benefit Plan Investors (both ERISA Plans and non-ERISA plans) were to equal or exceed 25%, the assets of the Issuer could be deemed "plan assets."

If for any reason the assets of the Issuer are deemed to be "plan assets" of an ERISA Plan, certain transactions the Portfolio Manager might enter into, or may have entered into, on behalf of the Issuer in the ordinary course of its business might constitute non-exempt "prohibited transactions" under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code and might have to be rescinded at significant cost to the Issuer. The Portfolio Manager may be deemed an ERISA fiduciary, and may therefore be prevented from engaging in certain investments (as not being deemed consistent with the ERISA prudent investment standards) or engaging in certain transactions or fee arrangements because they might be deemed to cause non-exempt prohibited transactions. It also is not clear that Section 403(a) of ERISA, which generally requires that all of the assets of an ERISA Plan be held in trust and limits delegation of investment management responsibilities by fiduciaries of ERISA Plans, would be satisfied. In addition, it is unclear whether Section 404(b) of ERISA, which generally provides that no fiduciary may maintain the indicia of ownership of any assets of a plan outside the jurisdiction of the district courts of the U.S., would be satisfied or any of the exceptions to the requirement set forth in 29 C.F.R. Section 2550.404b-1 would be available.

Any fiduciary that proposes to cause a Benefit Plan Investor to purchase any Securities should consult with its counsel to confirm that such investment will not constitute or result in a prohibited transaction or any other violation of an applicable requirement of ERISA or the Code or any substantially similar law.

The sale of any Securities to a Benefit Plan Investor is in no respect a representation by the Co-Issuers, the Initial Purchaser, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Portfolio Manager that such an investment meets all relevant legal requirements with respect to investments by Benefit Plan Investors generally or any particular Benefit Plan Investor, or that such an investment is appropriate for Benefit Plan Investors generally or any particular Benefit Plan Investor.

Investors whose investment activities are subject to regulation by federal, state or local law or governmental authorities should review the applicable laws and/or rules, policies and guidelines adopted from time to time by such authorities before purchasing any Securities. No representation is made as to the proper characterization of the Securities for legal investment or other purposes or as to the ability of particular investors to purchase any Securities under applicable law or other legal investment restrictions. Accordingly, all investors whose investment activities are subject to such laws and/or regulations, regulatory capital requirements or review by regulatory authorities should consult their own legal advisors in determining whether and to what extent the Securities constitute a legal investment or are subject to investment, capital or other restrictions.

## PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

Subject to the terms and conditions contained in a purchase agreement (the "**Purchase Agreement**") to be entered into among the Co-Issuers and JPMorgan, the Co-Issuers will agree to sell, and JPMorgan will agree to purchase, the Purchased Securities. The Issuer will agree to sell, and the Portfolio Manager and/or its Affiliates will agree to purchase, the Preference Shares not forming a part of the Purchased Securities in a privately negotiated transaction. JPMorgan is not acting as a placement agent or initial purchaser with respect to those Preference Shares sold directly by the Issuer to the Portfolio Manager and/or its Affiliates.

The Purchased Securities will be offered by the Initial Purchaser from time to time for sale to investors in negotiated transactions at varying prices to be determined in each case at the time of sale.

The Purchase Agreement provides that the obligations of the Initial Purchaser to pay for and accept delivery of the Purchased Securities thereunder are subject to certain conditions.

In the Purchase Agreement, each of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer will agree to indemnify the Initial Purchaser against certain liabilities under the Securities Act or to contribute to payments the Initial Purchaser may be required to make in respect thereof. In addition, the Issuer will agree to reimburse the Initial Purchaser for certain of its expenses incurred in connection with the closing of the transactions contemplated hereby.

The offering of the Securities has not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act and may not be offered or sold in non-Offshore Transactions except pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act.

No action has been taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Securities or possession or distribution of this Offering Circular or any amendment thereof, or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Securities in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any other circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. No offers, sales or deliveries of any Securities, or distribution of this Offering Circular or any other offering material relating to the Securities, may be made in or from any jurisdiction except in circumstances that will result in compliance with any applicable laws and regulations and will not impose any obligations on the Issuer or the Initial Purchaser. Because of the restrictions contained in the front of this Offering Circular, purchasers are advised to consult legal counsel prior to making any offer, resale, pledge or transfer of the Securities.

In the Purchase Agreement, the Initial Purchaser will agree that it or one or more of its Affiliates will sell the Notes, the Composite Securities and the Preference Shares only to or with, (a) purchasers it reasonably believes to be (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers, or with respect to the Composite Securities and the Preference Shares only, Accredited Investors and (ii)(1) Qualified Purchasers or, with respect to the Preference Shares only, Knowledgeable Employees or (2) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers or, with respect to the Preference Shares only, Knowledgeable Employees and (b) non-U.S. Persons in Offshore Transactions pursuant to Regulation S. In the Purchase Agreement, the Initial Purchaser will agree that it will send to each other dealer to which it sells Securities pursuant to Regulation S during the distribution compliance period a confirmation or other notice setting forth the restrictions on offers and sales of Securities in non-Offshore Transactions or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. Persons. Until 40 days (in the case of the Notes) or one year (in the case of the Composite Securities and the Preference Shares) after completion of the distribution by the Issuer, an offer or sale of Securities, in a non-Offshore Transaction by a dealer (whether or not participating in the Offering) may violate the registration requirements of the Securities Act if the offer or sale is made otherwise than pursuant to Rule 144A or, in the case of the Composite Securities and the Preference Shares, a transaction exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act. Resales of the Securities offered in reliance on Rule 144A or in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements

under the Securities Act, as the case may be, are restricted as described under the "Transfer Restrictions." Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note, Regulation S Global Composite Security or a Regulation S Global Preference Share may not be held by a U.S. Person at any time, and resales of the Securities offered in non-Offshore Transactions to non-U.S. Persons in reliance on Regulation S may be effected only in accordance with the transfer restrictions described herein. As used in this paragraph, the terms "United States" and "U.S." have the meanings given to them by Regulation S.

The Securities are a new issue of securities for which there is currently no market. The Initial Purchaser is not under any obligation to make a market in any class of Securities and any market making activity, if commenced, may be discontinued at any time. There can be no assurance that a secondary market for any class of Securities will develop, or if one does develop, that it will continue. Accordingly, no assurance can be given as to the liquidity of or trading market for the Securities.

In connection with the offering of the Securities, the Initial Purchaser may, as permitted by applicable law, overallocate or effect transactions that stabilize or maintain the market price of the Securities at a level which might not otherwise prevail in the open market. The stabilizing, if commenced, may be discontinued at any time.

## **SETTLEMENT AND CLEARING**

### **Book Entry Registration of the Global Securities**

So long as the Depository, or its nominee, is the registered owner or Holder of a Global Security, the Depository or the nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the sole owner or Holder of the Note or Preference Share represented by a Global Security for all purposes under the Indenture, the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement and the Global Securities, and members of, or participants in, the Depository as well as any other persons on whose behalf the participants may act (including Clearstream and Euroclear and account holders and participants therein) will have no rights under the Indenture, the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement or a Global Security. Owners of beneficial interests in a Global Security will not be considered to be owners or Holders of the related Note or Preference Share under the Indenture or the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement. Unless the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers (or, with respect to the Composite Securities or the Preference Shares, the Issuer) that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for a Global Security or ceases to be a "clearing agency" registered under the Exchange Act, owners of a beneficial interest in a Global Security will not be entitled to have any portion of a Global Security registered in their names, will not receive or be entitled to receive physical delivery of Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares in certificated form and will not be considered to be the owners or Holders of any Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares under the Indenture or the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement. In addition, no beneficial owner of an interest in a Global Security will be able to transfer that interest except in accordance with the Depository's applicable procedures (in addition to those under the Indenture, the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement and, if applicable, those of Euroclear and Clearstream).

Investors may hold their interests in a Regulation S Global Note, Regulation S Global Composite Security or Regulation S Global Preference Share directly through Clearstream or Euroclear, if they are participants in Clearstream or Euroclear, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in Clearstream or Euroclear. Clearstream and Euroclear will hold interests in the Regulation S Global Notes, Regulation S Global Composite Securities and Regulation S Global Preference Shares on behalf of their participants through their respective depositories, which in turn will hold the interests in Regulation S Global Notes, Regulation S Global Composite Securities and Regulation S Global Notes in customers' securities accounts in the depositories' names on the books of the Depository. Investors may hold their interests in a Rule 144A Global Note directly through the Depository if they are participants in the Depository, or in directly through organizations that are participants in the Depository.

Payments of principal of, or interest or other distributions on a Global Security will be made to the Depository or its nominee, as the registered owner thereof. The Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the paying agents, the Initial Purchaser, the Portfolio Manager and their respective affiliates will not have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests in a Global Security or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to the beneficial ownership interests.

The Co-Issuers expect that the Depository or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment of principal, interest, or other distributions in respect of a Global Security representing any Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be, held by it or its nominee, will immediately credit participants' accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the stated aggregate principal amount or number of a Global Security for the Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares, as the case may be, as shown on the records of the Depository or its nominee. The Co-Issuers also expect that payments by participants to owners of beneficial interests in a Global Security held through the participants will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers registered in the names of nominees for those customers. The payments will be the responsibility of the participants.

### **Global Security Settlement Procedures**

Transfers between the participants in the Depository will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with the Depository rules and will be settled in immediately available funds. The laws of some states require that certain persons take physical delivery of securities in definitive form. Consequently, the ability to transfer beneficial interests in a Global Security to these persons may be limited. Because the Depository can only act on behalf of participants, who in turn act on behalf of indirect participants and certain banks, the ability of a person holding a beneficial interest in a Global Security to pledge its interest to persons or entities that do not participate in the Depository system, or otherwise take actions in respect of its interest, may be affected by the lack of a physical certificate of the interest. Transfers between participants in Euroclear and Clearstream will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with their respective rules and operating procedures.

Subject to compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Securities described above and under "Transfer Restrictions," cross-market transfers between the Depository, on the one hand, and directly or indirectly through Euroclear or Clearstream participants, on the other, will be effected in the Depository in accordance with the Depository rules on behalf of Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, by its respective depository; *however*, the cross-market transactions will require delivery of instructions to Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, by the counterparty in the system in accordance with its rules and procedures and within its established deadlines (Brussels time). Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, will if the transaction meets its settlement requirements, deliver instructions to its respective depository to take action to effect final settlement on its behalf by delivering or receiving interests in a Note, Composite Security or Preference Share, as the case may be, represented by a Regulation S Global Note, Regulation S Global Composite Security or Regulation S Global Preference Share in the Depository and making or receiving payment in accordance with normal procedures for same-day funds settlement applicable to the Depository. Clearstream participants and Euroclear participants may not deliver instructions directly to the depositories of Clearstream or Euroclear.

Because of time zone differences, cash received in Euroclear or Clearstream as a result of sales of interests in a Regulation S Global Note, Regulation S Global Composite Security or Regulation S Global Preference Share by or through a Euroclear or Clearstream participant to the Depository participant will be received with value on the Depository settlement date but will be available in the relevant Euroclear or Clearstream cash account only as of the business day following settlement in the Depository.

The Depository has advised the Issuer that it will take any action permitted to be taken by a Holder of Securities (including the presentation of Securities for exchange as described above) only at the direction of one or more participants in the Depository to whose account with the Depository interests in the Securities are credited and only in respect of the portion of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities as to which the participant or participants has or have given the direction. However, upon the occurrence of certain events, the Depository will exchange the Securities for Certificated Composite Securities, legended as appropriate, which it will distribute to its participants as set out in the Indenture.

The Depository has advised the Issuer as follows: The Depository is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the UCC and a "Clearing Agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. The Depository was created to hold securities for its participants and facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of its participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates. Participants in the Depository include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations and may include certain other organizations. Indirect access to the Depository system is available to others such as banks, brokers, dealers, and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a participant, either directly or indirectly.

Although the Depository, Clearstream and Euroclear have agreed to the foregoing procedures to facilitate transfers of interests in Regulation S Global Notes, Regulation S Global Composite Securities and Regulation S Global Preference Shares among participants of the Depository, Clearstream and Euroclear, they are under no obligation to perform or continue to perform the procedures, and the procedures may be discontinued at any time. Neither the Co-Issuers nor the Trustee will have any responsibility for the performance by the Depository, Clearstream, or Euroclear or their respective participants or indirect participants of their respective obligations under the rules and procedures governing their operations.

### **TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS**

Because of the following restrictions, purchasers are advised to consult legal counsel prior to making any offer, resale, pledge or transfer of the Securities. Purchasers of Securities represented by an interest in a Regulation S Global Note, Regulation S Global Composite Security or a Regulation S Global Preference Share are advised that such interests are not transferable to U.S. Persons at any time except in accordance with the following restrictions.

Each prospective purchaser of Securities that is a U.S. Person or is purchasing the Securities in a non-Offshore Transaction (a "**U.S. Offeree**"), by accepting delivery of this Offering Circular, will be deemed to have represented and agreed as follows:

(1) The U.S. Offeree acknowledges that this Offering Circular is personal to the U.S. Offeree and does not constitute an offer to any other person or to the public generally to subscribe for or otherwise acquire the Securities other than pursuant to transactions exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act or Rule 144A or in Offshore Transactions in accordance with Regulation S. Distribution of this Offering Circular to any person other than the U.S. Offeree and those persons, if any, retained to advise the U.S. Offeree with respect thereto, and other persons that are Accredited Investors, Qualified Institutional Buyers or non-U.S. Persons, is unauthorized and any disclosure of any of its contents, without the prior written consent of the Co-Issuers, is prohibited except as authorized under "Income Tax Considerations—Tax Return Disclosure and Investor List Requirements."

(2) The U.S. Offeree agrees to make no photocopies of this Offering Circular or any documents referred to herein and, if the U.S. Offeree does not purchase the Securities or the

Offering is terminated, to return this Offering Circular and all documents referred to herein to J.P. Morgan Securities Inc., 270 Park Avenue, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10017, Attention: Structured Credit Products.

Under the Indenture (with respect to the Co-Issuers) and the Preference Share Documents (with respect to the Issuer), the Co-Issuers or the Issuer will agree to comply with the requirements of Rule 144A relative to the dissemination of information to prospective purchasers in the secondary market. See "Available Information."

The Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act and may not be offered or sold in non-Offshore Transactions or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. Persons, except to (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers in reliance on the exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act provided by Rule 144A or (ii) solely in the case of the Composite Securities and the Preference Shares, to Accredited Investors in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, who are in each case, also (x) Qualified Purchasers, (y) in the case of the Preference Shares only, Knowledgeable Employees or (z) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or, in the case of the Preference Shares only, Knowledgeable Employees.

Any purported transfer of a Security not in accordance with this section shall be null and void and shall not be given effect for any purpose hereunder.

#### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes**

Each purchaser of a beneficial interest in Notes represented by a Rule 144A Global Note will be deemed to have acknowledged, represented and agreed as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A or Regulation S are used herein as defined therein):

(1) (A) The purchaser is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser, (B) the purchaser is purchasing the Notes for its own account or the account of another Qualified Purchaser that is also a Qualified Institutional Buyer as to which the purchaser exercises sole investment discretion, (C) the purchaser and any such account is acquiring the Notes as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (D) the purchaser and any such account was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Notes (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (E) to the extent the purchaser (or any account for which it is purchasing the Notes) is a private investment company formed on or before April 30, 1996, the purchaser and each such account has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (F) the purchaser is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (G) the purchaser is not a pension, profit-sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants or affiliates may designate the particular investment to be made, (H) the purchaser agrees that it and each such account shall not hold such Notes for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Notes or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the distributions on the Notes (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (I) the Notes purchased directly or indirectly by the purchaser or any account for which it is purchasing the Notes constitute an investment of no more than 40% of the purchaser's and each such account's assets (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (J) the purchaser and each such account is purchasing the Notes in a principal amount of not less than the minimum denomination requirement for the purchaser and each such account, (K) the purchaser will provide notice of the transfer restrictions set forth in the Indenture (including the exhibits thereto) to any transferee of its Notes, and (L) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Notes to

a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph (1) shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(2) The purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Notes, and the purchaser, and any accounts for which it is acting, are each able to bear the economic risk of its investment.

(3) The purchaser understands that the Notes are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Notes or any beneficial interest therein, such Notes or any beneficial interest therein may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the applicable legend in respect of such Notes set forth in (6) below and the restrictions set forth in the Indenture. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchaser as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any other jurisdiction for resale of the Notes.

(4) The purchaser is not purchasing the Notes or any beneficial interest therein with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Notes involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of its entire investment in the Notes under certain circumstances. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Co-Issuers and the Notes as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Notes or any beneficial interest therein, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchaser.

(5) In connection with the purchase of Notes or any beneficial interest therein (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Portfolio Manager by any Affiliate of or account managed by the Portfolio Manager): (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Trustee, the Preference Share Paying Agent or the Portfolio Manager is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment advisor for the purchaser, (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Trustee, the Preference Share Paying Agent or the Portfolio Manager other than in a current offering circular for such Notes and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Trustee, the Preference Share Paying Agent or the Portfolio Manager has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other person) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of an investment in the Notes; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the Indenture) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Trustee, the Preference Share Paying Agent or the Portfolio Manager; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Notes or any beneficial interest therein reflect those in relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) the purchaser is purchasing the Notes or any beneficial interest therein with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and

it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (vii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

(6) The purchaser understands that the Notes offered to Qualified Institutional Buyers in reliance on the exemption from the registration requirements under the Securities Act provided by Rule 144A (a) will bear the legend set forth below unless the Co-Issuers determine otherwise in accordance with applicable law, (b) will be represented by one or more Rule 144A Global Notes, and (c) may not at any time be held by or on behalf of U.S. Persons that are not Qualified Institutional Buyers and either (i) Qualified Purchasers or (ii) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers. Before any interest in a Rule 144A Global Note may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a Person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note, the transferor will be required to provide the Trustee with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "**SECURITIES ACT**"), AND THE CO-ISSUERS HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE "**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**"). THE PURCHASER HEREOF, BY PURCHASING THIS NOTE, AGREES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CO-ISSUERS THAT THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN MAY BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, ONLY (A)(1) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT SO LONG AS THIS NOTE IS ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A, OR (2) TO A NON-U.S. PERSON IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION COMPLYING WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND, IN CASE OF CLAUSE (1), TO A PURCHASER THAT (W) IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WITH EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER), (X) TO THE EXTENT THE PURCHASER (OR ANY ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS PURCHASING THE NOTES) IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS, (Y) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS, AND (Z) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE, (B) IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN U.S.\$250,000 FOR THE PURCHASER AND FOR EACH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS ACTING AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE STATES OF THE UNITED STATES. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS TRANSFEREE. EACH PURCHASER OF THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE CO-ISSUERS, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE CO-ISSUERS MAINTAIN THE RIGHT TO RESELL NOTES OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED U.S. HOLDERS (AS DEFINED



IN THE INDENTURE) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE INDENTURE.

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

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE AND ANY PAYING AGENT WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR SUCCESSOR APPLICABLE FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE") OR AN APPLICABLE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR SUCCESSOR APPLICABLE FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN U.S. FEDERAL BACK-UP WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THIS NOTE.

THE ACQUISITION OF THIS NOTE BY, OR ON BEHALF OF, OR WITH THE ASSETS OF ANY "EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN" SUBJECT TO THE FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITY PROVISIONS OF THE UNITED STATES EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA"), OR ANY "PLAN" SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE"), OR ANY ENTITY PART OR ALL OF THE ASSETS OF WHICH CONSTITUTE ASSETS OF ANY SUCH EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN OR PLAN BY REASON OF UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR REGULATION SECTION 2510.3-101 OR OTHERWISE, OR ANY GOVERNMENTAL, CHURCH OR OTHER PLAN SUBJECT TO FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL OR NON-U.S. LAW SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITY PROVISIONS OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE IS PROHIBITED UNLESS SUCH PURCHASE, HOLDING AND SUBSEQUENT DISPOSITION WOULD NOT RESULT IN ANY NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR UNDER SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE AND WILL NOT CAUSE A NON-EXEMPT VIOLATION OF ANY U.S. FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL OR NON-U.S. LAW WHICH IS SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE.

(7) The purchaser will provide notice to each person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Notes of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Indenture, including the exhibits referenced therein.

(8) The purchaser understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Notes or any beneficial interest therein who is a U.S. Person and who is determined not to have been both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) either (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers at the time of acquisition of the Notes or any beneficial interest therein to sell such interest, or to sell such interest on behalf of such purchaser, to a person that is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) either (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A or to a person that is a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S.

(9) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Notes, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase the beneficial interest in the Notes from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its beneficial interest in this Note to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(10) The purchaser of the Class A-1g Notes understands that in the case of any Removal Buy-Out Option, the Indenture permits the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase the beneficial interest in the Class A-1g Notes from any Holder of such Class A-1g Notes at the applicable Removal Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Holder of Class A-1g Notes will be required to sell its beneficial interest in such Note to the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(11) The purchaser understands that the Stated Maturity of the Notes is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Portfolio Manager, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

(12) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Co-Issuers that would permit a public offering of the Notes or possession or distribution of the offering circular with respect thereto or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Notes in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the offering circular relating to the Notes shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Notes in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

(13) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Notes or any beneficial interest therein by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

(14) On each day the purchaser holds the Notes or any beneficial interest therein, either (1) the purchaser is not and will not be a Benefit Plan Investor or (2) the purchaser's purchase, holding and disposition of a Note or any beneficial interest therein (x) will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code and (y) in the case of a governmental, church or other plan, will not result in a non-exempt violation of any substantially similar U.S. federal, state, local or non-U.S. law.

(15) The purchaser understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to compel any purchaser of the Notes or any beneficial interest therein who has made an ERISA-related representation required by the Indenture that was at the time made, or has subsequently become, false or misleading to sell such interest, or to sell such interest on behalf of such purchaser, to a person able to make such ERISA-related representation.

(16) The purchaser understands that the Co-Issuers may receive a list of participants holding positions in its securities from one or more book-entry depositories.

(17) The purchaser acknowledges that the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Notes or any beneficial interest therein are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the

Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager and the Initial Purchaser. If the purchaser is acquiring any Notes or any beneficial interest therein as a fiduciary or agent for one or more institutional accounts, it represents that it has sole investment discretion with respect to each such account and it has full power to make the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements on behalf of such account.

### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Regulation S Global Notes**

Each purchaser of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note will be deemed to have made the representations set forth in paragraphs (4), (5) and (7) through (17) above in "—Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes" and to have further represented and agreed as follows:

The purchaser is aware that the Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or any other applicable state securities law and the sale of such Notes or any beneficial interest therein to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Regulation S and understands that the Notes offered in reliance on Regulation S will bear the appropriate legend set forth in paragraph (6) above in "—Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes" and will be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Notes. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchaser as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any other jurisdiction for resale of the Notes. The purchaser and each beneficial owner of the Notes or any beneficial interest therein that it holds is not, and will not be, a U.S. Person as defined in Regulation S and its purchase of the Notes or any beneficial interest therein will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located and will be in a principal amount of not less than U.S.\$250,000. The purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Notes or any beneficial interest therein, and it, and any accounts for which it is acting are each able to bear the economic risk of its investment. Before any interest in a Regulation S Global Note may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note, the transferor and the transferee will be required to provide the Trustee with written certifications as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Composite Securities**

Each purchaser of Certificated Composite Securities and each purchaser of Regulation S Global Composite Securities acquiring such Composite Securities from the Issuer in the initial offering will be required to acknowledge, represent and agree, and each subsequent purchaser of Regulation S Global Composite Securities will be deemed to have acknowledged, represented and agreed, in each case as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A or Regulation S are used herein as defined therein):

(1) If the purchaser is:

(A) a U.S. Offeree, such purchaser is either (i) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is aware that the sale of the Composite Securities to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements under the Securities Act and is acquiring the Composite Securities for its own account or for one or more accounts, each of which is a Qualified Institutional Buyer, and as to each of which the purchaser exercises sole investment discretion, and in an amount not less than the authorized denomination permitted by the Indenture, in each case for the purchaser and for each such account, or (ii) is an Accredited Investor and is aware that the sale of Composite Securities to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements under the Securities Act and is acquiring the Composite Securities for its own account in an amount not less than the authorized denomination permitted by the Indenture, or

(B) a non-U.S. Person, such purchaser is purchasing the Composite Securities in an Offshore Transaction, is aware that the sale of Composite Securities to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from the registration requirements under the Securities Act provided by Regulation S and is acquiring the Composite Securities for its own account in an amount not less than the authorized denomination permitted by the Indenture.

In addition, the purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Composite Securities, and the purchaser, and any accounts for which it is acting, are each able to bear the economic risk of the purchaser's or its investment.

(2) The purchaser understands that the Composite Securities are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Composite Securities have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Composite Securities, such Composite Securities may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the legend in respect of such Composite Securities set forth in (5) below and the restrictions set forth in the Indenture. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Issuer or the Initial Purchaser as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any other jurisdiction for resale of the Composite Securities.

(3) In connection with the purchase of Composite Securities (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Portfolio Manager by any Affiliate of or account managed by the Portfolio Manager): (i) none of the Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, or the Portfolio Manager is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment advisor for the purchaser, (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Portfolio Manager other than in a current offering circular for such Composite Securities and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Portfolio Manager has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other Person) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of an investment in the Composite Securities; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the documentation for the Composite Securities) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Portfolio Manager; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Composite Securities reflect those in relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) the purchaser is purchasing the Composite Securities with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (vii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

(4) If the purchaser is acquiring the Composite Securities pursuant to paragraph (1)(A) above, (A) the purchaser and each account for which the purchaser is acquiring Composite Securities is (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers,

(B) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Composite Securities for any account, each such account) is acquiring the Composite Securities as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (C) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Composite Securities for any account, each such account) was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Composite Securities (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (D) to the extent the purchaser or any account for which the purchaser is acquiring Composite Securities is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, the purchaser or such account has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (E) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Composite Securities for any account, each such account) agrees that it shall not hold such Composite Securities for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Composite Securities or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or other distributions on the Composite Securities (except when each such person is a Qualified Purchaser) and (F) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Composite Securities to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(5) The purchaser understands that the Composite Securities (A) will be represented by either one or more Certificated Composite Securities or Regulation S Global Composite Securities which will bear the legend set forth below unless the Issuer determines otherwise in accordance with applicable law, and (B) (i) in the case of Composite Securities represented by an interest in Certificated Composite Securities, may not at any time be held by or on behalf of U.S. Persons that are not either Qualified Institutional Buyers or Accredited Investors and either (A) Qualified Purchasers or (B) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and (ii) in the case of Composite Securities represented by an interest in a Regulation S Global Composite Security, may not at any time be held by or on behalf of any person that is a U.S. Person. Before the Composite Securities represented by an interest in Certificated Composite Securities may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred, the transferor and the transferee will be required to provide the Trustee and the Issuer with written certifications as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THE COMPOSITE SECURITIES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "**SECURITIES ACT**"), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE "**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**"). THE COMPOSITE SECURITIES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A)(1) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE COMPOSITE SECURITIES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A, (2) TO AN ACCREDITED INVESTOR (AS DEFINED IN RULE 501(a) UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT) IN A TRANSACTION EXEMPT FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, OR (3) TO A NON-U.S. PERSON IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND, IN THE CASE OF CLAUSES (1) AND (2), TO A PURCHASER THAT (X) IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WITH EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER), AND TO THE EXTENT THE PURCHASER (OR ANY ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS PURCHASING THE COMPOSITE SECURITIES) IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY

CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS OR (Y) IS AN ENTITY OWNED EXCLUSIVELY BY QUALIFIED PURCHASERS, (B) IN EACH CASE, IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN U.S.\$100,000 FOR THE PURCHASER AND FOR EACH SUCH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS ACTING, AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE COMPOSITE SECURITIES REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE COMPOSITE SECURITIES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE (OR WILL BE DEEMED TO MAKE) THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID *AB INITIO*, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE PURCHASER, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL ANY COMPOSITE SECURITIES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED U.S. HOLDERS (AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE INDENTURE.

BY ITS PURCHASE OR HOLDING OF THIS COMPOSITE SECURITY, OR ANY INTEREST THEREIN, EACH PURCHASER ACQUIRING SUCH COMPOSITE SECURITY FROM THE ISSUER IN THE INITIAL OFFERING AND EACH SUBSEQUENT PURCHASER THEREOF WILL BE REQUIRED TO REPRESENT AND WARRANT (OR, IN THE CASE OF A SUBSEQUENT PURCHASER OF A REGULATION S GLOBAL COMPOSITE SECURITY, WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE REPRESENTED AND WARRANTED), AT THE TIME OF ITS ACQUISITION, AND THROUGHOUT THE PERIOD THAT IT HOLDS SUCH COMPOSITE SECURITY OR INTEREST THEREIN, THAT (1) IT IS NOT AN EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN (AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(3) OF THE UNITED STATES EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA")), WHICH IS SUBJECT TO ERISA, (II) A PLAN (AS DEFINED IN SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE")), WHICH IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, OR (III) AN ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE "PLAN ASSETS" BY REASON OF SUCH PLAN'S INVESTMENT IN THE ENTITY (AN "ERISA PLAN"), AND IF AFTER ITS INITIAL ACQUISITION OF A COMPOSITE SECURITY OR ANY INTEREST THEREIN, THE PURCHASER DETERMINES, IT IS DETERMINED BY ANOTHER PARTY, OR THE TRUSTEE BECOMES AWARE, THAT SUCH PURCHASER IS AN ERISA PLAN, SUCH PURCHASER WILL DISPOSE OF ALL OF ITS COMPOSITE SECURITIES IN A MANNER CONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE, AND (2) IF IT IS A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OTHER THAN AN ERISA PLAN, ITS PURCHASE, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF THIS COMPOSITE SECURITY WILL NOT CAUSE A NON-EXEMPT VIOLATION OF ANY U.S. FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL LAW OR ANY NON-U.S. LAW WHICH IS SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE AS A RESULT OF THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREIN AND (3) IT WILL NOT SELL OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER ANY SUCH COMPOSITE SECURITY OR INTEREST THEREIN TO ANY PERSON WHO IS UNABLE TO SATISFY THE SAME FOREGOING REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER AND ANY PAYING AGENT, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE

CODE) SHALL RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF U.S. FEDERAL BACK-UP WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THE COMPOSITE SECURITIES REPRESENTED HEREBY.

Each Regulation S Global Composite Security will bear the additional legend set forth below.

UNLESS THIS COMPOSITE SECURITY IS PRESENTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY ("DTC") TO THE INDENTURE REGISTRAR FOR REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER OR PAYMENT, AND ANY CERTIFICATE ISSUED IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF CEDE & CO. OR IN SUCH OTHER NAME AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC (AND ANY PAYMENT MADE TO CEDE & CO. OR TO SUCH OTHER ENTITY AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC), ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL INASMUCH AS THE REGISTERED OWNER HEREOF, CEDE & CO., HAS AN INTEREST HEREIN.

(6) The purchaser will provide notice to each Person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Composite Securities of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Indenture, including the exhibits referenced in the Indenture.

(7) The purchaser understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to compel any holder of the Composite Securities who is a U.S. Person and who is determined not to have been both (x) either a Qualified Institutional Buyer or Accredited Investor and (y) either (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, at the time of acquisition of the Composite Securities to sell such Composite Securities, or to sell such Composite Securities on behalf of such purchaser, to a person that is both (x) either a Qualified Institutional Buyer or Accredited Investor and (y) either (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act or to a person that is a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S.

(8) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Composite Securities or possession or distribution of the offering circular with respect thereto or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Composite Securities in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the offering circular relating to the Composite Securities shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Composite Securities in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

(9) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Composite Securities, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase the beneficial interest in the Composite Securities from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its beneficial interest in this Composite Security to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(10) The purchaser understands that the Stated Maturity of the Composite Securities is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Portfolio Manager, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

(11) The purchaser understands that in the case of any vote to remove the Portfolio Manager, the Management Agreement permits the Portfolio Manager to purchase the beneficial interest in the Composite Securities relating to those Preference Share Components which form a part of the Directing Preference Shares from any Holder of Composite Securities that voted to remove the Portfolio Manager at the applicable Buy-Out Amount; and such Holder of Composite Securities will be required to sell its beneficial interest in this Composite Security to the Portfolio Manager at such price.

(12) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Composite Securities by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

(13) The purchaser agrees to treat the Composite Securities as equity of the Issuer for U.S. federal, state and local income tax purposes, if applicable.

(14) On each day the purchaser holds the Composite Securities or any beneficial interest therein, (i) the purchaser, and any account on behalf of which the purchaser is purchasing the Composite Securities, is not and will not be an ERISA Plan, and if, after its initial acquisition of a Composite Securities, the purchaser determines, it is determined by another person, or the Trustee becomes aware that it or any such account is an ERISA Plan, such purchaser will dispose of its interest in the Composite Securities in a manner consistent with the requirements of the Indenture and (ii) if the purchaser is a Benefit Plan Investor that is not an ERISA Plan, the purchaser's purchase, holding and disposition of a Composite Security or any beneficial interest therein will not result in a non-exempt violation of any U.S. federal, state, local or non-U.S. law which is substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code. The purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of Composite Securities to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of clause (i) of this paragraph (14) shall not be recognized or effective and such purported purchaser or transferee shall acquire no rights thereby and that the Indenture permits the Issuer to require any purchaser of the Composite Securities or any beneficial interest therein who has made, or is deemed to have made, such ERISA-related representation that is subsequently shown to be false or misleading to sell such interest to a person able to make such ERISA-related representation. The purchaser and any fiduciary causing the purchaser to purchase the Composite Securities agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Initial Purchaser and the Trustee and their respective affiliates from any cost, damage, or loss incurred by them as a result of the purchaser being or being deemed to be an ERISA Plan.

(15) The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Composite Securities are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and the Initial Purchaser. If it is acquiring any Composite Securities as a fiduciary or agent for one or more institutional accounts, it represents that it has sole investment discretion with respect to each such account and it has full power to make the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements on behalf of such account.

(16) Each purchaser or subsequent transferee (other than a subsequent transferee of Regulation S Global Composite Securities) of Composite Securities will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Trustee written certification in a form acceptable to the Issuer and the Trustee as to whether it is an Affected Bank and each subsequent transferee of Regulation S Global Composite Securities will be deemed to represent to the Issuer and to the Trustee that it is not an



Affected Bank. No transfer of any Composite Security to an Affected Bank will be effective, and the Trustee will not recognize any such transfer, unless such transfer is specifically authorized by the Issuer in writing; *provided, however*, that the Issuer shall authorize any such transfer if (x) such transfer would not cause more than 33 1/3% of the aggregate outstanding amount of the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components of the Class 1 Composite Securities) to be owned by Affected Banks or (y) the transferor is an Affected Bank previously approved by the Issuer.

(17) To the extent required by the Issuer, as determined by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Trustee and the Indenture Registrar, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Composite Securities to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the U.S. Patriot Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Composite Security to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

(18) The purchaser agrees to not cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

(19) The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

#### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Preference Shares**

Each purchaser of Certificated Preference Shares and each purchaser of Regulation S Global Preference Shares acquiring such Preference Shares from the Issuer in the initial offering will be required to acknowledge, represent and agree, and each subsequent purchaser of Regulation S Global Preference Shares will be deemed to have acknowledged, represented and agreed, in each case as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A or Regulation S are used herein as defined therein):

(1) If the purchaser is:

(A) a U.S. Offeree, such purchaser is either (i) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is aware that the sale of the Preference Shares to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements under the Securities Act and is acquiring the Preference Shares for its own account or for one or more accounts, each of which is a Qualified Institutional Buyer, and as to each of which the purchaser exercises sole investment discretion, and in a number not less than the minimum lot, in each case for the purchaser and for each such account, or (ii) is an Accredited Investor and is aware that the sale of Preference Shares to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements under the Securities Act and is acquiring the Preference Shares for its own account in a number not less than the minimum lot, or

(B) a non-U.S. Person, such purchaser is purchasing the Preference Shares in an Offshore Transaction, is aware that the sale of Preference Shares to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from the registration requirements under the Securities Act provided by Regulation S and is acquiring the Preference Shares for its own account in a number not less than the minimum lot.

In addition, the purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Preference Shares, and the purchaser, and any accounts for which it is acting, are each able to bear the economic risk of the purchaser's or its investment.

(2) The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Preference Shares have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Preference Shares, such Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the legend in respect of such Preference Shares set forth in (6) below and the restrictions set forth in the Preference Share Documents. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Issuer or the Initial Purchaser as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any other jurisdiction for resale of the Preference Shares.

(3) The purchaser is not purchasing the Preference Shares with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares will be highly illiquid and are not suitable for short-term trading. The Preference Shares are a leveraged investment in the Collateral Obligations that may expose the Preference Shares to disproportionately large changes in value. Payments in respect of the Preference Shares are not guaranteed as they are dependent on the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations. The purchaser understands that it is possible that, due to the structure of the transaction and the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations, dividends or other distributions in respect of the Preference Shares may be reduced or eliminated entirely. Furthermore, the Preference Shares constitute equity in the Issuer, are not secured by the Collateral and will rank behind all creditors (secured and unsecured and whether known or unknown) of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the holders of the Notes, and any Hedge Counterparties. The Issuer has assets limited to the Collateral for payment of all Classes of the Notes and dividends and other distributions on the Preference Shares, and the Preference Shares bear, pro rata, the first risk of loss. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Issuer and the Preference Shares as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Preference Shares including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Issuer and the Initial Purchaser.

(4) In connection with the purchase of Preference Shares (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Portfolio Manager by any Affiliate of or account managed by the Portfolio Manager): (i) none of the Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, or the Portfolio Manager is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment advisor for the purchaser, (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Portfolio Manager other than in a current offering circular for such Preference Shares and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Portfolio Manager has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other Person) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of an investment in the Preference Shares; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the documentation for the Preference Shares) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Portfolio Manager; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Preference Shares reflect those in relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) the

purchaser is purchasing the Preference Shares with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (vii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

(5) If the purchaser is acquiring the Preference Shares pursuant to paragraph (1)(A) above, (A) the purchaser and each account for which the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares is (i) a Qualified Purchaser, (ii) a Knowledgeable Employee or (iii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees, (B) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares for any account, each such account) is acquiring the Preference Shares as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (C) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares for any account, each such account) was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Preference Shares (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) a Knowledgeable Employee), (D) to the extent the purchaser or any account for which the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, the purchaser or such account has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (E) the purchaser (or if the purchaser is acquiring Preference Shares for any account, each such account) agrees that it shall not hold such Preference Shares for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Preference Shares or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or other distributions on the Preference Shares (except when each person is (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) a Knowledgeable Employee) and (F) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Preference Shares to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(6) The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares (A) will be represented by either one or more Certificated Preference Shares or Regulation S Global Preference Shares which will bear the legend set forth below unless the Issuer determines otherwise in accordance with applicable law, and (B) (i) in the case of Preference Shares represented by an interest in a Certificated Preference Share, may only be held by or on behalf of either (x) non-U.S. Persons or (y) U.S. Persons that are either Qualified Institutional Buyers or Accredited Investors and either (a) Qualified Purchasers, (b) Knowledgeable Employees or (c) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees and (ii) in the case of Preference Shares represented by an interest in a Regulation S Global Preference Share, may not at any time be held by or on behalf of any person that is a U.S. Person. Before the Preference Shares represented by an interest in Certificated Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred, the transferee will be required to provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Issuer with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "**SECURITIES ACT**"), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE "**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**"). THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A)(1) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE PREFERENCE SHARES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A, (2) TO AN ACCREDITED INVESTOR (AS DEFINED IN RULE 501(a) UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT) IN A TRANSACTION EXEMPT FROM REGISTRATION

UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, OR (3) TO A NON-U.S. PERSON IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND, IN THE CASE OF CLAUSES (1) AND (2), TO A PURCHASER THAT (X) IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(C)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER OR KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEE) THAT HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (Y) IS A KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEE (AS DEFINED IN RULE 3C-5 UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT) WITH RESPECT TO THE ISSUER OR (Z) IS AN ENTITY OWNED EXCLUSIVELY BY QUALIFIED PURCHASERS AND/OR KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEES, (B) IN EACH CASE, IN A NUMBER OF NOT LESS THAN 100 PREFERENCE SHARES FOR THE PURCHASER AND FOR EACH SUCH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS ACTING, AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE (OR WILL BE DEEMED TO MAKE) THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID *AB INITIO*, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE PURCHASER, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL ANY PREFERENCE SHARES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED U.S. HOLDERS (AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

BY ITS PURCHASE OR HOLDING OF THIS PREFERENCE SHARE, OR ANY INTEREST THEREIN, EACH PURCHASER ACQUIRING SUCH PREFERENCE SHARE FROM THE ISSUER IN THE INITIAL OFFERING AND EACH SUBSEQUENT PURCHASER THEREOF WILL BE REQUIRED TO REPRESENT AND WARRANT (OR, IN THE CASE OF A SUBSEQUENT PURCHASER OF A REGULATION S GLOBAL PREFERENCE SHARE, WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE REPRESENTED AND WARRANTED), AT THE TIME OF ITS ACQUISITION, AND THROUGHOUT THE PERIOD THAT IT HOLDS SUCH PREFERENCE SHARE OR INTEREST THEREIN, THAT (1) IT IS NOT AN EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN (AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(3) OF THE UNITED STATES EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA")), WHICH IS SUBJECT TO ERISA, (II) A PLAN (AS DEFINED IN SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE")), WHICH IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, OR (III) AN ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE "PLAN ASSETS" BY REASON OF SUCH PLAN'S INVESTMENT IN THE ENTITY (AN "ERISA PLAN"); AND IF AFTER ITS INITIAL ACQUISITION OF A PREFERENCE SHARE OR ANY INTEREST THEREIN, THE INVESTOR DETERMINES, IT IS DETERMINED BY ANOTHER PARTY, OR THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT BECOMES AWARE, THAT THE INVESTOR IS AN ERISA PLAN, THE INVESTOR WILL DISPOSE OF ALL OF ITS PREFERENCE SHARES IN A MANNER CONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS, AND (2) IF IT IS A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OTHER THAN AN ERISA PLAN, ITS PURCHASE, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF THIS PREFERENCE SHARE WILL NOT CAUSE A NON-EXEMPT VIOLATION OF ANY U.S. FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL LAW OR ANY NON-U.S. LAW WHICH IS SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE AS A RESULT OF THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREIN AND (3) IT WILL NOT SELL

OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER ANY SUCH PREFERENCE SHARE OR INTEREST THEREIN TO ANY PERSON WHO IS UNABLE TO SATISFY THE SAME FOREGOING REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER AND ANY PAYING AGENT, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) SHALL RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF U.S. FEDERAL BACK-UP WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY.

Each Regulation S Global Preference Share will bear the additional legend set forth below.

UNLESS THIS PREFERENCE SHARE IS PRESENTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY ("**DTC**") TO THE SHARE REGISTRAR FOR REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER OR PAYMENT, AND ANY CERTIFICATE ISSUED IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF CEDE & CO. OR IN SUCH OTHER NAME AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC (AND ANY PAYMENT MADE TO CEDE & CO. OR TO SUCH OTHER ENTITY AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC), ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL INASMUCH AS THE REGISTERED OWNER HEREOF, CEDE & CO., HAS AN INTEREST HEREIN.

(7) The purchaser will provide notice to each Person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Preference Shares of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Preference Share Documents, including the exhibits referenced in the Preference Share Documents.

(8) The purchaser understands that the Preference Share Documents permit the Issuer to compel any holder of the Preference Shares who is a U.S. Person and who is determined not to have been both (x) either a Qualified Institutional Buyer or Accredited Investor and (y) either (i) a Qualified Purchaser, (ii) a Knowledgeable Employee or (iii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees, at the time of acquisition of the Preference Shares to sell such Preference Shares, or to sell such Preference Shares on behalf of such purchaser, to a person that is both (x) either a Qualified Institutional Buyer or Accredited Investor and (y) either (i) a Qualified Purchaser, (ii) a Knowledgeable Employee or (iii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees, in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act or to a person that is a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S.

(9) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Preference Shares or possession or distribution of the offering circular with respect thereto or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Preference Shares in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the offering circular relating to the Preference Shares shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Preference Shares in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

(10) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Preference Shares, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase the beneficial interest in the Preference Shares from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its beneficial interest in this Preference Share to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(11) The purchaser understands that the Scheduled Redemption Date of the Preference Shares is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Portfolio Manager, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

(12) The purchaser understands that in the case of any vote to remove the Portfolio Manager, the Management Agreement permits the Portfolio Manager to purchase the beneficial interest in the Preference Shares from any Holder of Preference Shares that voted to remove the Portfolio Manager at the applicable Buy-Out Amount; and such Holder of Preference Shares will be required to sell its beneficial interest in this Preference Share to the Portfolio Manager at such price.

(13) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Preference Shares by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

(14) The purchaser agrees to treat the Preference Shares as equity of the Issuer for U.S. federal, state and local income tax purposes, if applicable.

(15) On each day the purchaser holds the Preference Shares or any beneficial interest therein, (i) the purchaser, and any account on behalf of which the purchaser is purchasing the Preference Shares, is not and will not be an ERISA Plan, and if, after its initial acquisition of a Preference Shares, the purchaser determines, it is determined by another person, or the Preference Shares Paying Agent becomes aware that it or any such account is an ERISA Plan, such purchaser will dispose of its interest in the Preference Shares in a manner consistent with the requirements of the Preference Share Documents and (ii) if the purchaser is a Benefit Plan Investor that is not an ERISA Plan, the purchaser's purchase, holding and disposition of a Preference Share or any beneficial interest therein will not result in a non-exempt violation of any U.S. federal, state, local or non-U.S. law which is substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code. The purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of Preference Shares to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of clause (i) of this paragraph (15) shall not be recognized or effective and such purported purchaser or transferee shall acquire no rights thereby and that the Preference Share Documents permit the Issuer to require any purchaser of the Preference Shares or any beneficial interest therein who has made, or is deemed to have made, such ERISA-related representation that is subsequently shown to be false or misleading to sell such interest to a person able to make such ERISA-related representation. The purchaser and any fiduciary causing the purchaser to purchase the Preference Shares agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Initial Purchaser and the Trustee and their respective affiliates from any cost, damage, or loss incurred by them as a result of the purchaser being or being deemed to be an ERISA Plan.

(16) The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or

agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Preference Shares are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and the Initial Purchaser. If it is acquiring any Preference Shares as a fiduciary or agent for one or more institutional accounts, it represents that it has sole investment discretion with respect to each such account and it has full power to make the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements on behalf of such account.

(17) Each purchaser or subsequent transferee (other than a subsequent transferee of Regulation S Global Preference Shares) of Preference Shares will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Trustee written certification in a form acceptable to the Issuer and the Trustee as to whether it is an Affected Bank and each subsequent transferee of Regulation S Global Preference Shares will be deemed to represent to the Issuer and to the Trustee that it is not an Affected Bank. No transfer of any Preference Share to an Affected Bank will be effective, and the Trustee will not recognize any such transfer, unless such transfer is specifically authorized by the Issuer in writing; provided, however, that the Issuer shall authorize any such transfer if (x) such transfer would not cause more than 33 1/3% of the aggregate outstanding amount of the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components of the Class 1 Composite Securities) to be owned by Affected Banks or (y) the transferor is an Affected Bank previously approved by the Issuer.

(18) To the extent required by the Issuer, as determined by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Preference Shares to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the U.S. Patriot Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Preference Share to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

(19) The purchaser agrees to not cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

(20) The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

## **LISTING AND GENERAL INFORMATION**

1. The Issuer and the Co-Issuer accept responsibility for the information contained in this document. To the best knowledge and belief of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, the information contained in this document is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

2. Application will be made to list the Securities (other than the Preference Shares) on the Irish Stock Exchange. However, there can be no assurance that any admission will be granted or maintained. In connection with the listing of the Securities (other than the Preference Shares) on the Irish Stock Exchange, the listing particulars will be filed with the Registrar of Companies of Ireland, pursuant to Regulation 13 of the European Community (Stock Exchange) regulations, 1984 of Ireland. Prior to the listing, a legal notice relating to the issue of the Notes and the Composite Securities and copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer will be deposited with JP Morgan Bank (Ireland) PLC and at the principal office of the Issuer, where copies thereof may be obtained, free of charge, upon request.

3. As long as any of the Notes or the Composite Securities are Outstanding and listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer, the Administration Agreement, the Resolutions, the resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer authorizing the issuance of the Notes, the Indenture, the Management Agreement, the Collateral

Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Insurance Documents, any Hedge Agreement and the Monthly Report will be available for inspection at the offices of the Irish Paying and Listing Agent in the City of Dublin, where copies thereof may be obtained upon request.

4. For fourteen days following the date of listing of the Notes and the Composite Securities on the Irish Stock Exchange, copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer, the Administration Agreement, the Resolutions, the resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer authorizing the issuance of the Notes, the Indenture, the Insurance Documents, the Management Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and any Hedge Agreement will be available for inspection at the principal office of the Issuer and copies thereof may be obtained upon request.

5. Copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer, the Administration Agreement, the Resolutions, the resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer authorizing the issuance of the Notes, the Indenture, the Insurance Documents, the Management Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, any Hedge Agreement and the Monthly Report prepared by the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer containing information relating to the Collateral will be available for inspection so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding in the City of Houston, Texas at the office of the Trustee.

6. Each of the Co-Issuers represents that as of the date of this Offering Circular, there has been no material adverse change in its financial position since its date of incorporation. Since their date of incorporation, neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has commenced operations, other than the Issuer purchasing certain Collateral Obligations and selling participation interests therein pursuant the Warehousing Agreement preparatory to the offering of the Securities, and no annual reports or accounts have been prepared as of the date of this Offering Circular.

7. The Co-Issuers are not involved in any litigation or arbitration proceedings relating to claims on amounts that are material in the context of the issue of the Notes, as applicable, nor, so far either of the Co-Issuers are aware, is any such litigation or arbitration involving it pending or threatened.

8. The Insurer is not involved in any litigation or arbitration proceeding (including any such proceedings which are pending or threatened of which the Insurer is aware) which may have or have had within the last twelve (12) months a significant effect on the Insurer's financial position.

9. The issuance of the Securities was authorized and approved by the Board of Directors of the Issuer by the Resolutions. The issuance of the Notes was authorized and approved by the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer by resolutions passed on or before the Closing Date.

10. Since the date of their incorporation, no financial statements of the Co-Issuers have been prepared. The Issuer is not required by Cayman Islands law to publish financial statements, and does not intend to publish any financial statements. The Issuer is required to provide written confirmation to the Trustee, on an annual basis, that no Event of Default or other matter that is required to be brought to the Trustee's attention has occurred.

11. Other than the Securities, as of the Closing Date, the Issuer and the Co-Issuer will not have any loan capital (including term loans) outstanding or created but unissued, or any outstanding mortgages, charges or other borrowings or indebtedness in the nature of borrowing, including bank overdrafts and liabilities under acceptance credits, hire purchase agreement, guarantees or other contingent liabilities.



**IDENTIFYING NUMBERS**

The Notes sold in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S and represented by Regulation S Global Notes have been accepted for clearance under the Common Codes in the table below. The table also lists the CUSIP (CINS) Numbers, the International Securities Identification Numbers (ISIN) and the WKN numbers for each Class of Securities.

<b>Security</b>	<b>CUSIP</b>	<b>Common Code</b>	<b>ISIN</b>	<b>WKN</b>
<b>Class A-1a Notes</b>				
Rule 144A Global Notes	844272AA2	021282227	US844272AA26	A0DYUB
Regulation S Global Notes	G82911AA9	021282120	USG82911AA97	A0DYUA
<b>Class A-1b Notes</b>				
Rule 144A Global Notes	844272AS3	021282405	US844272AS34	A0DYUE
Regulation S Global Notes	G82911AJ0	021282260	USG82911AJ07	A0DYUD
<b>Class A-1g Notes</b>				
Rule 144A Global Notes	844272AL8	021282529	US844272AL80	A0DYUH
Regulation S Global Notes	G82911AF8	021282464	USG82911AF84	A0DYUG
<b>Class A-2 Notes</b>				
Rule 144A Global Notes	844272AB0	021282634	US844272AB09	A0DYUL
Regulation S Global Notes	G82911AB7	021282588	USG82911AB70	A0DYUK
<b>Class A-3a Notes</b>				
Rule 144A Global Notes	844272AM6	021282812	US844272AM63	A0DYUP
Regulation S Global Notes	G82911AG6	021282766	USG82911AG67	A0DYUN
<b>Class A-3b Notes</b>				
Rule 144A Global Notes	844272AN4	021282880	US844272AN47	A0DYUS
Regulation S Global Notes	G82911AH4	021282839	USG82911AH41	A0DYUR
<b>Class B Notes</b>				
Rule 144A Global Notes	844272AC8	021283002	US844272AC81	A0DYUV
Regulation S Global Notes	G82911AC5	021282952	USG82911AC53	A0DYUU
<b>Class C Notes</b>				
Rule 144A Global Notes	844272AD6	021261220	US844272AD64	A0DYUY
Regulation S Global Notes	G82911AD3	021283045	USG82911AD37	A0DYUX
<b>Class 1 Composite Securities</b>				
Certificated Composite Security (Rule 144A)	844272AJ3	021445860	US844272AJ35	A0DYU1
Certificated Composite Security (Regulation D)	844272AK0	N/A	US844272AK08	A0DYU2
Regulation S Global Composite Security	G82911AE1	021445932	USG82911AE10	A0DYU0
<b>Preference Shares</b>				
Certificated Preference Shares (Rule 144A)	84427P202	021449318	KY84427P2029	N/A
Certificated Preference Shares (Regulation D)	84427P301	N/A	KY84427P3019	N/A
Regulation S Global Preference Shares	G82910103	021287644	KYG829101032	N/A

## **LEGAL MATTERS**

Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchaser by McKee Nelson LLP, New York, New York. Certain matters with respect to Cayman Islands corporate law and tax law will be passed upon for the Issuer by Maples and Calder, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Portfolio Manager by Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, Los Angeles, California.

## GLOSSARY OF DEFINED TERMS

**"Accrued Insurance Liabilities Interest Rate"** means, as of any date of calculation, LIBOR (as in effect with respect to the Notes on such date of calculation) *plus* 0.75%. The Accrued Insurance Liabilities Interest Rate shall be computed on the basis of a 360-day year and the actual number of days elapsed. In no event shall the Accrued Insurance Liabilities Interest Rate exceed the maximum rate permissible under any applicable law limiting interest rates.

**"Accrued Interest On Sale"** means interest accrued on a Collateral Obligation at the time of sale or other disposition to the extent paid to the Issuer as part of the sale or other disposition price of the Collateral Obligation after deduction of any amount representing Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal"** means (i) interest accrued on or purchased with a Collateral Obligation as part of the price paid by the Issuer to acquire the Collateral Obligation less any amount of Interest Proceeds (applied as Interest Proceeds) applied by the Issuer to acquire the accrued interest at the time of purchase and (ii) interest accrued on a Warehoused Loan as part of the price paid by the Issuer to repurchase and terminate the related participation under the Warehouse Agreement.

**"Act"** means any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action to be given or taken by Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares under the Indenture embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments of substantially similar tenor signed by Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares in person or by agents duly appointed in writing. The instruments (and the action embodied in them) are referred to as the **"Act"** of the Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares signing the instruments.

**"Administrative Expense Cap"** means, an amount on any Payment Date equal to the excess of:

(i) the sum of 0.05% of the Maximum Investment Amount on the related Determination Date plus \$150,000; *over*

(ii) the sum of the amounts paid for Administrative Expenses in the twelve months preceding the current Payment Date.

**"Administrative Expenses"** means amounts due or accrued representing:

(i) tax preparation, filing, and registration fees or expenses and any other filing and registration fees owed by the Co-Issuers (including all filing, registration, and annual return fees payable to the Cayman Islands government and registered office fees);

(ii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Trustee (including all amounts under Section 6.7 of the Indenture), the Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Collateral Administrator;

(iii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Co-Issuers and of accountants, agents and counsel for either of the Co-Issuers;

(iv) fees and expenses of the Rating Agencies in connection with any rating of the Notes owed by either Co-Issuer (including fees and expenses for surveillance, credit estimates and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies);

(v) expenses and indemnities (but not Management Fees) of the Portfolio Manager if payable under the Management Agreement;

(vi) expenses and indemnities of the Insurer if payable under Section 4.2(a)(ii) and Section 4.3 of the Insurance Agreement;

(vii) fees and expenses for third-party loan pricing services and accountants; and

(viii) amounts due (other than indemnities) to any other person (except the Portfolio Manager) if specifically provided for in the Indenture, including fees or expenses in connection with any Securities Lending Agreement.

**"Affected Bank"** means a "bank" for purposes of Section 881 of the Code or an entity affiliated with such a bank that is neither (x) a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code (generally an entity created or organized in or under the laws of the United States or any state thereof or the District of Columbia) nor (y) entitled to the benefits of an income tax treaty with the United States under which withholding taxes on interest payments made by obligors resident in the United States to such bank are reduced to 0%.

**"Affiliate"** or **"Affiliated"** means with respect to a Person,

(i) any other Person who, directly or indirectly, is in control of, or controlled by, or is under common control with, the Person; or

(ii) any other Person who is a director, officer or employee (A) of the Person, (B) of any subsidiary or parent company of the Person or (C) of any Person described in clause (i) above.

For the purposes of this definition, control of a Person shall mean the power, direct or indirect:

(A) to vote more than 50% of the securities having ordinary voting power for the election of directors of the Person; or

(B) to direct the corporate management and corporate policies of the Person whether by contract or otherwise (this does not include the Management Agreement unless it is amended expressly to provide those services).

For the purpose of this definition, the Administrator and its Affiliates are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Co-Issuers and the Co-Issuers are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Administrator, or any of their Affiliates.

**"Aggregate Outstanding Amount"** means, when used with respect to any of the Notes as of any date, the aggregate principal amount of the Notes on that date. When used with respect to the Preference Shares or the Preference Share Components as of any date, the number of such Preference Shares Outstanding on such date in respect of such Preference Shares or Preference Share Components. When used with respect to any of the Class 1 Composite Securities, as of any date, the aggregate face amount of the Class 1 Composite Securities.

Except as otherwise provided herein:

(i) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1a Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1b Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(iii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1g Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(iv) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-2 Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(v) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-3a Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(vi) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-3b Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(iii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes at any time shall include all Class B Deferred Interest attributed thereto; and

(iv) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes at any time shall include all Class C Deferred Interest attributed thereto.

**"Aggregate Principal Balance"** means, when used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Principal Balances of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Principal Balance means the sum of the Principal Balances of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**"Aggregate Purchase Price Amount"** means, when used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Purchase Price Amount means the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**"Allocable Principal Balance"** means, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, the portion of the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security that is allocable to each Reference Obligation comprising such index or indices based upon allocating the Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security among such Reference Obligations in the same proportion as each Reference Obligation bears to the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security.

**"Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price"** means the purchase price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Securities purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, *plus* accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) to the date of purchase payable to the Non-Consenting Holder (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), *plus* any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment *plus*, in the case of the Fixed Rate Notes, the applicable Make-Whole Premium, (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since the Closing Date (and any amounts payable, if any, to the Non-Consenting Holder on the next succeeding Payment Date) would cause such Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a "Payment Date" under the Indenture); *provided, however*, that in any Amendment Buy-Out from and after the date on which the Non-Consenting Holders of Preference Shares have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the Amendment

Buy-Out Purchase Price for such Preference Shares shall be zero and (iii) in the case of the Class 1 Composite Securities, the sum of (x) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (ii) in respect of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 1 Composite Security Preference Share Component, (y) the Treasury Strip Market Value and (z) the Composite Security Make-Up Amount.

**"Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser"** means the Portfolio Manager (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event that the Portfolio Manager elects not to purchase Securities or Preference Shares from Holders pursuant to "Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out", "Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser) or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Portfolio Manager; *provided, however*, none of the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

**"Applicable Note Interest Rate"** means, with respect to the Notes of any Class, the Note Interest Rate with respect to such Class.

**"Applicable Percentage"** means the lesser of the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate and the S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation as specified in the tables below. High-Yield Bonds do not include Structured Finance Obligations for this purpose.

**Moody's Priority  
Category**

**Moody's Priority Category  
Recovery Rate**

Synthetic Securities..... In the case of:

- (i) a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to the Form-Approved Synthetic Security at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security by Moody's; and
- (ii) any other Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to the Synthetic Security at the time of acquisition of the Synthetic Security.

Structured Finance

Obligations..... The Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the Moody's Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in Schedule 5 to the Indenture by reference to the type of asset and its then Moody's Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that schedule does not apply, on a case-by-case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).

unsecured DIP Loans and  
any Collateral Obligations

not covered above or below .. As determined by Moody's on a case-by-case basis.

For High-Yield Bonds, Moody's Senior Secured Loans and Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is the rate determined pursuant to the table below based on the number of rating subcategories difference between the High-Yield Bond's or Loan's Moody's Obligation Rating and its Moody's Default Probability Rating (for purposes of clarification, if the Moody's Obligation Rating is higher than the Moody's Default Probability Rating, the rating subcategories difference will be positive and if it is lower, negative):

<b>Number of Moody's Rating Subcategories Difference Between the Moody's Obligation Rating and the Moody's Default Probability Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>High-Yield Bonds</b>
+2 or more	60.0%	45.0%	40.0%
+1	50.0%	42.5%	35.0%
0	45.0%	40.0%	30.0%
-1	40.0%	30.0%	15.0%
-2	30.0%	15.0%	10.0%
-3 or less	20.0%	10.0%	2.0%

If no Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate has been specifically assigned with respect to a Loan pursuant to the above table, and the Loan is a secured DIP Loan, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is 50.0%.

<b>S&amp;P Priority Category</b>	<b>S&amp;P Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Secured Loans other than Subordinated Lien Loans or DIP Loans.....	52.0%
Senior Unsecured Loans	31.0%
Subordinated Lien Loans other than a DIP Loan.....	18.0%
senior secured High-Yield Bonds (other than Structured Finance Obligations) .....	44.0%
senior unsecured High-Yield Bonds (other than Structured Finance Obligations) .....	30.0%
subordinated High-Yield Bonds (other than Structured Finance Obligations) .....	18.0%
Structured Finance Obligations.....	The S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the S&P Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 6</u> by reference to the type of asset and its then S&P Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that table does not apply, on a case by case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
Synthetic Securities.....	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation.
DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligation not covered above .....	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis.

**"Approved Pricing Service"** means Loan Pricing Corporation, Mark-It-Partners, Inc. or any other nationally recognized loan pricing service approved in writing by S&P.

**"Ask-Side Market Value"** means, as of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Portfolio Manager and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any lent Collateral Obligation based upon the Portfolio Manager's commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations which are also Independent from the Portfolio Manager or (ii) if the

foregoing set of prices could not be obtained, the higher of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations which are also Independent from the Portfolio Manager or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices could not be obtained, the average of the ask-side prices for the purchase of such Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Portfolio Manager) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Portfolio Manager); *provided* that if the Ask-Side Market Value of any lent Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the outstanding principal balance thereof.

**"Assigned Moody's Rating"** means the monitored publicly available rating or the monitored estimated rating expressly assigned to a debt obligation (or facility) by Moody's that addresses the full amount of the principal and interest promised.

**"Authorized Officer"** means, with respect to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, any Officer or agent who is authorized to act for the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, in matters relating to, and binding on, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. With respect to the Portfolio Manager, any managing member, Officer, manager, employee, partner or agent of the Portfolio Manager who is authorized to act for the Portfolio Manager in matters relating to, and binding on, the Portfolio Manager with respect to the subject matter of the request, certificate or order in question. With respect to the Trustee or any other bank or trust company acting as trustee of an express trust or as custodian, a Trust Officer. Each party may receive and accept a certification of the authority of any other party as conclusive evidence of the authority of any Person to act, and the certification may be considered as in full force and effect until receipt by the other party of written notice to the contrary.

**"Average Life"** means, as of any Measurement Date with respect to any Collateral Obligation (other than any Defaulted Collateral Obligation), the quotient obtained by dividing:

- (i) the sum of the products of:
  - (A) the number of years (rounded to the nearest hundredth) from the Measurement Date to the respective dates of each successive scheduled payment of principal of the Collateral Obligation; and
  - (B) the respective amounts of the successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation; by
- (ii) the sum of all successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Bank"** means JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, in its individual capacity and not as Trustee.

**"Bankruptcy Code"** means the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, Title 11 of the United States Code.

**"Bankruptcy Law"** means the Bankruptcy Code, Part V of the Companies Law (2004 Revision) of the Cayman Islands and the Bankruptcy Law (1997 Revision) of the Cayman Islands.

**"Board of Directors"** means with respect to the Issuer, the directors of the Issuer duly appointed by a resolution of the holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares or by resolution of the Board of Directors and, with respect to the Co-Issuer, the directors of the Co-Issuer duly appointed by the stockholders of the Co-Issuer.

**"Business Day"** means a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in New York City, and any other city in which the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee is



located and, in the case of the final payment of principal of any Note or the final payment in respect of any Composite Security, the place of presentation of the Note or Composite Security designated by the Trustee. To the extent action is required of the Irish Listing and Paying Agent, Dublin, Ireland shall be considered in determining "Business Day" for purposes of determining when action by the Irish Listing and Paying Agent is required.

**"Buy-out Amount"** means, with respect to (i) the Directing Preference Shares, an amount, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Directing Preference Shares since the Closing Date, would cause the Directing Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of the Portfolio Manager's purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a "Payment Date" under the Indenture) and (ii) the Class 1 Composite Securities, the sum of (x) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (i) in respect of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 1 Composite Security Preference Share Component, (y) the Treasury Strip Market Value and (z) the Composite Security Make-Up Amount.

**"Cash"** means such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for payment of all public and private debts.

**"CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations"** means the Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have (i) a Moody's Rating below "B3" and/or (ii) an S&P Rating below "B-".

**"Class"** means with all of the Notes and Composite Securities having the same priority and the same Stated Maturity and all of the Preference Shares. Unless otherwise expressly provided for herein: (i) the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes and the Class A-1g Notes shall be considered as being of the same Class and (ii) each of the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the A-3 Notes shall be separate Classes.

**"Class 1 Collateral Principal Balance"** means the face value of the Treasury Strip at its maturity date.

**"Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance"** means with respect to the rating of the Class 1 Composite Securities by Moody's, on the Closing Date \$6,000,000 and on any date of determination thereafter, the initial Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance *minus* the aggregate amount of all distributions paid to the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities in respect of its related Components on all prior Payment Dates pursuant to "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments" and "—Class 1 Component Distributions."

**"Class A Coverage Tests"** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class A Notes.

**"Class B Coverage Tests"** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class B Notes.

**"Class B Deferred Interest"** means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes.

**"Class C Coverage Tests"** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class C Notes.

**"Class C Deferred Interest"** means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C Notes.

**"Class Scenario Loss Rate"** means, with respect to any Class of Notes rated by S&P, an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, consistent

with S&P's rating of the Class of Notes on the Closing Date, determined by application of the S&P CDO Monitor.

**"Clearstream"** means Clearstream Banking, société anonyme, a corporation organized under the laws of the Duchy of Luxembourg.

**"Collateral Administration Agreement"** means the agreement dated as of the Closing Date among the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and the Collateral Administrator, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Collateral Administrator"** means the Bank in its capacity as collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement.

**"Composite Securities"** means the Class 1 Composite Securities.

**"Composite Securityholder"** means a Holder of Class 1 Composite Securities.

**"Composite Security Make-Up Amount"** means, in connection with determining the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, the Extension Purchase Price or the Buy-Out Amount in respect of all or a portion of the Composite Securities, the greater of: (i) zero and (ii) the sum of (w) the initial principal amount of such Composite Securities as of the Closing Date *minus* (x) the aggregate of all payments and distributions made in respect of the Composite Securities since the Closing Date *minus* (y) any amount payable pursuant to clause (ii) of the definition of Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price (for purposes of determining the Composite Security Make-Up Amount pursuant to clause (iii) of such definition), clause (ii) of the definition of Extension Purchase Price (for purposes of determining the Composite Security Make-Up Amount pursuant to clause (iii) of such definition) or clause (i) of the definition of Buy-Out Amount (for purposes of determining the Composite Security Make-Up Amount pursuant to clause (ii) of such definition) *less* (z) the Treasury Strip Market Value.

**"Composite Securities Payment Date"** means, the second Business Day after each Payment Date or, if such Payment Date coincides with the Stated Maturity, the Composite Securities Payment Date shall be such Payment Date.

**"Controlling Class"** means the Senior Class A Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Senior Class A Notes are Outstanding; then the Class A-2 Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class A-2 Notes are Outstanding; then the Class A-3 Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class A-3 Notes are Outstanding; then the Class B Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class B Notes are Outstanding; and then the Class C Notes (voting together as a Class or group); *provided, however*, that notwithstanding the foregoing, so long as the Class A-1g Notes are Outstanding and the Policy has not been terminated in accordance with the terms of the Indenture or any Accrued Insurance Liabilities or Premium are due and owing to the Insurer, and no Insurer Default exists, then the "Controlling Class", the "Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class", the "Majority of the Controlling Class" or the "Super Majority of the Controlling Class" shall, for all purposes, be the Insurer, and the Insurer shall be entitled to exercise all of the rights of the Controlling Class, the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, the Majority of the Controlling Class or the Super Majority of the Controlling Class, as applicable, that are provided for herein. In addition to the foregoing, the Insurer's right to exercise all of the rights of the Controlling Class, the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, the Majority of the Controlling Class or the Super Majority of the Controlling Class, as applicable, shall be reinstated if a Preference Claim is made for as long as any such Preference Claim is pending during the applicable statutory preference period or, if the Insurer is required to pay the amount of any Avoided Payment, for so long as any Accrued Insurance Liabilities owing to the Insurer have not been paid in full.

**"Corporate Trust Office"** means the corporate trust office of the Trustee at which the Trustee performs its duties under the Indenture, currently having an address of 600 Travis Street, 50<sup>th</sup> Floor, Houston, Texas 77002, telecopy no. (713) 216-2101, Attention: Institutional Trust Services—Southfork CLO Ltd. or any other address the Trustee designates from time to time by notice to the Noteholders, the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Insurer, the Issuer and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Trustee

**"Credit Improved Obligation"** is any Collateral Obligation that in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, has improved in credit quality; *provided*, if a Credit Rating Event is in effect, such Collateral Obligation will be considered a Credit Improved Obligation only if:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been upgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing positive credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under the Indenture;

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced a reduction in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Portfolio Manager (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's);

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has increased by at least 1.00% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Portfolio Manager (*provided* that this subclause (iii)(x) will be deemed satisfied if Market Value increases to 101%), or (y) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more positive than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, plus 3.00%, over the same period; or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Improved Obligation if:

(i) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Improved Obligation; or

(ii) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Improved Obligation.

**"Credit Rating Event"** means an event that is in effect if the rating by Moody's:

(i) of the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes or the Class A-3 Notes (without giving effect to the Policy) has been withdrawn or is one or more rating sub-categories below its Initial Rating; or

(ii) of the Class B Notes or the Class C Notes has been withdrawn or is two or more rating sub-categories below its respective Initial Rating.

For the purposes of this definition, any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not be effective if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody's has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes (or the Initial Shadow Rating in the Class of the Class A-1g Notes), or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes.

**"Credit Risk Obligation"** means any Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, has a significant risk of declining in credit quality and, with a lapse of time, becoming a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

So long as a Credit Rating Event is in effect, no Collateral Obligation shall be eligible to be a Credit Risk Obligation unless, as of the date of determination:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been downgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing negative credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under the Indenture;

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced an increase in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Portfolio Manager (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's);

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has decreased by at least 2.50% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Portfolio Manager, and (y) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more negative, or less positive, as the case may be, than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, less 3.00%, over the same period; or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Risk Obligation if:

(a) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Risk Obligation; or

(b) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Risk Obligation.

**"Current-Pay Obligation"** means a Collateral Obligation as to which:

- (i) an insolvency event has occurred with respect to its obligor or as to which its obligor is rated "D" or "SD" by S&P or its obligor has previously been rated "CCC-" by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;
- (ii) no default as to the payment of principal or interest with respect to the Collateral Obligation is then continuing and the Portfolio Manager has delivered to the Trustee an officer's certificate to the effect that the Portfolio Manager expects that the obligor will make payments on the Collateral Obligation as they become due;
- (iii) (A) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is at least "Caa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 80% of its Principal Balance or (B) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is less than "Caa1" or is "Caa1" and on credit watch with negative implications, the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 85% of its Principal Balance;
- (iv) if an insolvency event has occurred with respect to the obligor of the Collateral Obligation, a bankruptcy court has authorized the payment of interest payable on the Collateral Obligation; and
- (v) the Portfolio Manager has designated in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligation as a Current-Pay Obligation.

If the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations exceeds 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, all or a portion of one or more Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance equal to the amount of the excess shall not be Current-Pay Obligations (and will therefore be Defaulted Collateral Obligations). The Portfolio Manager shall designate in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligations that shall not be Current-Pay Obligations pursuant to the preceding sentence as the Collateral Obligations (or portions thereof) that have the lowest Market Value on any applicable date of determination.

The Portfolio Manager may, by notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator, change the definition of "Current-Pay Obligation" or how Current-Pay Obligations are treated in the Indenture, subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency.

**"Current Portfolio"** means, at any time, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations, Principal Proceeds held as cash on deposit in the Collection Account, and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account that exists before the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or before the acquisition of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**"Deep Discount Obligation"** means, until the average Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation, as determined daily for any period of 30 consecutive days, equals or exceeds 90%, any Collateral Obligation acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 85% of its Principal Balance. For such purpose, the Market Value Percentage of a Collateral Obligation on a day that is not a Business Day shall be deemed to be the Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation on the immediately preceding Business Day.

**"Defaulted Collateral Obligation"** means any Collateral Obligation or other obligation included in the Collateral:

(i) as to which a default in the payment of principal or interest is continuing beyond the lesser of three Business Days and any applicable grace or notice period, unless in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;

(ii) with respect to which there has been effected any distressed exchange or other debt restructuring where the obligor has offered the holders thereof a new security or instrument or package of securities or instruments that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, either (x) amounts to a diminished financial obligation or (y) has the sole purpose of enabling the obligor to avoid a default;

(iii) (1) that is *pari passu* with or subordinated to other indebtedness for borrowed money owing by its obligor ("**Other Indebtedness**"), (2) the obligor has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (without regard to any applicable grace or notice period and without regard to any waiver of the default) on the Other Indebtedness, unless, in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid on the Other Indebtedness and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation and (3) the Portfolio Manager, *provided* that the related Collateral Obligation has not been downgraded after the default on such Other Indebtedness has occurred, determines (in its commercially reasonable judgment) that such Other Indebtedness is material;

(iv) (other than a Current-Pay Obligation or a DIP Loan) as to which:

(A) an insolvency event has occurred with respect to its obligor; or

(B) the obligation is rated "D", "SD", "C" or "CC" by S&P or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn, or has previously been rated "CCC-" or lower by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;

(v) if the Collateral Obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation, it is rated "CC" or below by S&P, or it was rated "C" or below by S&P but the rating has since been withdrawn, or it is rated "Ca" or below by Moody's, or it was rated "C" or below by Moody's but the rating has since been withdrawn;

(vi) that is a Participation that would, if the underlying Loan were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (iv) above or with respect to which the Participating Institution has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Participation;

(vii) that is a Synthetic Security referencing a Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (v) above or with respect to which the Synthetic Security Counterparty has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Synthetic Security; *provided, however*, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over

time: (x) a determination whether the Reference Obligations upon which such Synthetic Security is based would, if such Reference Obligations were Collateral Obligations, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct investment by the Issuer in each of the Reference Obligations on which such Synthetic Security is based in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation and (y) the "Defaulted Collateral Obligation" for purposes of this clause (vii) shall be limited to the Allocable Principal Balance of each Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (v) above;

(viii) that is a Written-Down Obligation;

(ix) that is a DIP Loan as to which an order has been entered converting the debtor's chapter 11 case to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code; or

(x) that is declared to be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation by the Portfolio Manager.

Any Collateral Obligation that is classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall cease to be so classified if the Collateral Obligation, at any date thereafter,

(1) would not otherwise be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this definition; and

(2) otherwise meets the Eligibility Criteria as of that date.

If any portion of a Collateral Obligation has a maturity later than one year after the Stated Maturity of the Notes due to a change in the payment schedule of the Collateral Obligation occurring after its acquisition by the Issuer, that portion of the Collateral Obligation shall be considered a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**"Defaulted Hedge Termination Payment"** means any termination payment required to be made by the Issuer to a Hedge Counterparty pursuant to a Hedge Agreement upon a termination of the Hedge Agreement in respect of which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**"Defaulted Interest"** means any interest payable in respect of any Class of Notes that is not punctually paid or duly provided for on the applicable Payment Date or at Stated Maturity; *provided* that, any interest paid with the proceeds of the Policy shall not be treated for the purpose of this definition as paid or provided for.

**"Defaulted Interest Charge"** means to the extent lawful, interest on any Defaulted Interest at the Default Interest Rate.

**"Default Interest Rate"** means, with respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate equal to the Note Interest Rate payable on the Notes of the Class.

**"Deferred Interest Notes"** means the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes.

**"Delayed Drawdown Loan"** means a Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that:

(i) requires the Issuer to make one or more future advances to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments;

(ii) specifies a maximum amount that can be borrowed on one or more fixed borrowing dates; and

(iii) does not permit the re-borrowing of any amount previously repaid.

A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Delayed Drawdown Loan for so long as its unused commitment amount is greater than zero.

**"Depository" or "DTC"** means The Depository Trust Company and its nominees.

**"DIP Loan"** means any Loan:

(i) that has a rating assigned by Moody's (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by Moody's, the Portfolio Manager has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by Moody's within five Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer) and a rating assigned by S&P (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by S&P, the Portfolio Manager has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P within two Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer);

(ii) that is an obligation of a debtor in possession as described in Section 1107 of the Bankruptcy Code or a trustee (if appointment of a trustee has been ordered pursuant to Section 1104 of the Bankruptcy Code) (a **"Debtor"**) organized under the laws of the United States or any state of the United States; and

(iii) the terms of which have been approved by a final order of the United States Bankruptcy Court, United States District Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, the enforceability of which order is not subject to any pending contested matter or proceeding (as those terms are defined in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure) and which order provides that:

(A) the Loan is secured by liens on the Debtor's otherwise unencumbered assets pursuant to Section 364(c)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code;

(B) the Loan is secured by liens of equal or senior priority on property of the Debtor's estate that is otherwise subject to a lien pursuant to Section 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code;

(C) the Loan is fully secured (based on a current valuation or appraisal report) by junior liens on the Debtor's encumbered assets; or

(D) if any portion of the Loan is unsecured, the repayment of the Loan retains priority over all other administrative expenses pursuant to Section 364(c)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code (and in the case of this clause (D), before the acquisition of the Loan, the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency).

**"Diversity Score"** is a single number that indicates collateral concentration in terms of both issuer and industry concentration, calculated as set forth in Schedule 4 to the Indenture.

**"Domicile" or "Domiciled"** means, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, (i) the jurisdiction of incorporation, organization or creation of the related obligor or (ii) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that would otherwise be considered to be domiciled pursuant to clause (i) in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction, the jurisdiction in which, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, the related obligor conducts substantially all of its business operations and in which the assets primarily responsible for generating its revenues are located.



**"Due Period"** means, with respect to any Payment Date, for all purposes other than payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements, the period from the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date, from the Closing Date) up to but excluding the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the Payment Date (or in the case of the final Payment Date or any Payment Date that is a Redemption Date, through the Business Day before the Payment Date and for payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements the period from the day after the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date from the Closing Date) through the Payment Date).

**"Eligible Country"** means the United States, Canada and any country classified by Moody's as a Moody's Group I Country, Moody's Group II Country or Moody's Group III Country; *provided* that such country has not imposed currency exchange controls.

**"Eligible Investments"** means any Dollar-denominated investment that, when it is pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee under the Indenture, is one or more of the following:

- (i) Cash;
- (ii) direct Registered obligations of, and Registered obligations the timely payment of principal and interest on which is fully and expressly guaranteed by, the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States the obligations of which are expressly backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, which in each case are not zero coupon securities;
- (iii) demand and time deposits in, trust accounts, certificates of deposit payable within 91 days of issuance of, bankers' acceptances payable within 91 days of issuance issued by, or Federal funds sold by any depository institution or trust company incorporated under the laws of the United States or any state thereof and subject to supervision and examination by Federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or the debt obligations of such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company), at the time of such investment or contractual commitment providing for such investment and throughout the term of the investment, have a credit rating of not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade, or "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P in the case of commercial paper and short-term debt obligations; *provided* that in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such investment a long-term credit rating of not less than "AA-" by S&P and "Aa3" by Moody's and a short-term rating of "A-1+" by S&P and "P-1" by Moody's, and if so rated, is not on watch for downgrade;
- (iv) commercial paper or other short-term obligations with a maturity of not more than 183 days from the date of issuance and having at the time of such investment a credit rating of at least "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P, *provided*, that, in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such investment a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;
- (v) unleveraged repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clause (b) above entered into with a U.S. federal or state depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (iii) above or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose long-term credit rating is not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade or whose short-term credit rating is "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P at the time of such investment and throughout the term of the investment; *provided*, that, if such repurchase obligation has a maturity of longer than 91 days, the counterparty thereto must also have at the time of such investment and throughout the term of the investment a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(vi) any money market fund or similar investment vehicle having at the time of investment therein and throughout the term of the investment a credit rating of "MR1+" by Moody's and "AAAm" by S&P; including any fund for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee serves as an investment advisor, administrator, shareholder servicing agent, custodian or subcustodian, notwithstanding that (A) the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses from such funds for services rendered (*provided* that such charges, fees and expenses are on terms consistent with terms negotiated at arm's length) and (B) the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses for services rendered, pursuant to the Indenture;

(vii) a guaranteed reinvestment agreement from a bank (if treated as a deposit by such bank), insurance company or other corporation or entity organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (if treated as debt by such insurance company or other corporation or entity), providing for periodic payments thereunder during each Due Period; provided that each such agreement provides that it is terminable by the purchaser, without premium or penalty, in the event that the rating assigned to such agreement by either Moody's or S&P is at any time lower than the then current ratings assigned to the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes or the Class C Notes; provided, further, that, at the time of investment therein and throughout the term of the investment, the issuer of such agreement has a senior unsecured long-term debt rating, issuer rating or counterparty rating of at least "Aaa" by Moody's, a short-term debt rating of "P-1" by Moody's (and not on watch for downgrade), a short-term debt rating of at least "A-1+" by S&P and a long-term debt rating of at least "AAA" by S&P (and not on watch for downgrade); and

(viii) such other investments for which Rating Confirmation has been received;

and, in each case, with a stated maturity (giving effect to any applicable grace period) no later than the Business Day before the Payment Date next succeeding the date of the investment.

Eligible Investments on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account must have a stated maturity no later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase.

Eligible Investments may not include:

(1) any interest-only security, any security purchased at a price in excess of 100% of its par value, or any security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager;

(2) any security whose rating assigned by S&P includes the subscript "r," "t," "p," "pi," or "q";

(3) any floating rate security whose interest rate is inversely or otherwise not proportionately related to an interest rate index or is calculated as other than the sum of an interest rate index plus a spread (which spread may be zero);

(4) any security that is subject to an exchange or tender offer; or

(5) any security that has payments subject to foreign or United States withholding tax.

Eligible Investments may include Eligible Investments for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee provides services. Eligible Investments may not include obligations principally secured by real property.

**"Emerging Market Security"** means a security or obligation issued by a sovereign or non-sovereign issuer located in a country (excluding the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Netherlands Antilles, and the Channel Islands):

- (i) that is in Latin America, Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, or the Caribbean; or
- (ii) the long-term foreign currency debt obligations of which are rated below "Aa2" or "Aa2" and on credit watch with negative implications by Moody's or the foreign currency issuer credit rating of which is below "AA" by S&P.

**"Euroclear"** means Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear system.

**"Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations"** means the Principal Balance of all CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations in excess of 7.5% of the Maximum Investment Amount on the relevant Determination Date.

**"Excluded Property"** means U.S.\$250 (attributable to the issue and allotment of the Issuer Ordinary Shares) and a U.S.\$250 transaction fee paid to the Issuer, the bank account in which those amounts are credited in the Cayman Islands and any interest earned on those amounts

**"Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date"** means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Payment Date in February, 2021).

**"Extension"** means an extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test in accordance with the Indenture.

**"Extension Bonus Payment"** means, with respect to each Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable beneficial owner and the Insurer set forth in "Description of the Securities— Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date" in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Senior Class A Notes (other than the Class A-1g Notes), 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class A-1g Notes, 0.125% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Date (*provided, however*, if the Policy has been terminated prior to or in connection with such Maturity Extension, each applicable beneficial owner of the Class A-1g Notes will instead receive an amount equal to 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Date), (3) to the Insurer, 0.125% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1g Notes as of the applicable Extension Date (*provided, however*, if the Policy has been terminated prior to or in connection with such Maturity Extension, the Insurer shall not be entitled to an Extension Bonus Payment pursuant to this clause (3)), (4) in the case of the Class A-2 Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (5) in the case of the Class A-3 Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (6) in the case of the Class B Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date and (7) in the case of the Class C Notes, 0.50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

**"Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification"** means, with respect to each Maturity Extension and each beneficial owner of Notes other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such beneficial owner acceptable to the Issuer to the effect that it held Notes other than Extension Sale Securities on the applicable Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate Outstanding Amount

thereof and wire transfer instructions for the Extension Bonus Payment and any required documentation thereunder.

**"Extension Determination Date"** means the 8<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to each Extension Effective Date.

**"Extension Purchase Price"** means the purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with each Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the applicable Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date) *plus*, in the case of the Fixed Rate Notes, the applicable Make-Whole Premium, (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since the Closing Date would cause such Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a "Payment Date" under the Indenture); *provided, however*, that if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Preference Shares shall be zero and (iii) in the case of the Class 1 Composite Securities, the sum of (x) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (ii) in respect of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 1 Composite Security Preference Share Component, (y) the Treasury Strip Market Value and (z) the Composite Security Make-Up Amount.

**"Extension Qualifying Purchasers"** means Portfolio Manager (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event the Portfolio Manager elects not to purchase Securities from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in "Description of the Securities—Extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date"; "Extension Qualifying Purchasers" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Portfolio Manager; *provided, however*, none of the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

**"Face Amount"** means, with respect to any Preference Share, the amount set forth therein as the "face amount", which "face amount" thereof shall be \$1,000 per Preference Share.

**"Finance Lease"** means a lease agreement or other agreement entered into in connection with and evidencing a Leasing Finance Transaction.

**"Fixed Rate Excess"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose numerator is the product of:

- (i) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date over the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test; and
- (ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date;

and whose denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Fixed Rate Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Spread Excess were equal to zero.

**"Fixed Rate Notes"** means the Class A-1b Notes and the Class A-3b Notes.

**"Fixed Rate Obligation"** means any Collateral Obligation that bears interest at a fixed rate, including a Collateral Obligation that does not bear interest on a floating rate index and whose interest rate is scheduled to increase one or more times over the life of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Floating Rate Notes"** means the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1g Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3a Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes.

**"Floating Rate Obligation"** means any Collateral Obligation that bears interest based on a floating rate index.

**"Form-Approved Synthetic Security"** means a Synthetic Security:

(i) (A) each of the Reference Obligations of which satisfy the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and could be purchased by the Issuer without any required action by the Rating Agencies, without satisfaction of the Rating Condition or which the Rating Agencies have otherwise approved; or

(B) each of the Reference Obligations of which would satisfy clause (A) above but for the currency in which the Reference Obligation is payable and the Synthetic Security is payable in Dollars, does not provide for physical settlement, and does not expose the Issuer to Dollar currency risk;

(ii) the Synthetic Security Agreement of which conforms (but for the amount and timing of periodic payments, the name of the Reference Obligation, the notional amount, the effective date, the termination date, and other similar necessary changes) to a form that has been expressly identified and approved in writing in connection with a request under the Indenture by Moody's and S&P; and

(iii) that is with a counterparty with respect to which the Rating Condition has been satisfied by each of Moody's and S&P prior to the acquisition of any such Form-Approved Synthetic Security, and such approval has not been withdrawn.

Moody's or S&P may at any time, by notice to the Portfolio Manager, withdraw its approval of any such form. A withdrawal of approval shall have no effect on any Synthetic Security acquired, entered into, or committed to before the date on which the Portfolio Manager receives the notice of withdrawal.

**"Hedge Agreements"** means, collectively, all interest rate cap or interest rate swap agreements between the Issuer and any Hedge Counterparty, and any replacement agreement entered into pursuant to the Indenture.

**"Hedge Counterparty"** means JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association currently having an address of 270 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10017, or any other counterparty, to the extent that when the Issuer enters into any Hedge Agreement with JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association or the other counterparty, JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association or the other counterparty satisfies the requirements of the Indenture, including, in the case of any other counterparty, to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency.

**"Hedge Termination Receipt"** means any termination payment paid by the Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer upon any early termination of a Hedge Agreement with respect to which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**"High-Yield Bond"** means any debt security other than a Loan, including any Structured Finance Obligation, that is either Registered or, if not Registered, (i) it is issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States, (ii) the payments on it are not subject to United States withholding tax and (iii) it is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**"Holder"** means, of any Note or Composite Security, the person whose name appears on the Indenture Register as the registered holder of the Note or Composite Security; and of any Preference Share (including any Preference Share underlying the Preference Share Component), the person whose name appears in the Preference Share register related thereto as the registered holder of such Preference Share.

**"Indemnification Agreement"** means Indemnification Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, among the Issuer, the Insurer and J.P. Morgan Securities Inc., as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Indenture Registrar"** means the Bank in its capacity as Indenture registrar as provided in the Indenture.

**"Indenture Register"** means the register caused to be kept by the Issuer for the purpose of registering Notes and transfers of the Notes as provided in the Indenture.

**"Initial Consent Period"** means the period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee provided notice of a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of Securities.

**"Initial Rating"** means, the ratings by Moody's and S&P with respect to each Class of Notes and Composite Securities provided in the table in "Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities."

**"Initial Shadow Rating"** means, with respect to the Class A-1g Notes, that rating or ratings which reflects the ratings assigned to the Class A-1g Notes by Moody's and S&P on the Closing Date without giving effect to the Policy.

**"Insurance Documents"** means the Policy, the Insurance Agreement, the Indemnification Agreement and the Premium Letter.

**"Insured Noteholder"** means a Holder of the Insured Notes.

**"Insurer Default"** means the occurrence and continuation of any one of the following events:

(i) the Insurer fails to make a payment required under the Policy in accordance with its terms;

(ii) the Insurer (A) files any petition or commences any case or Proceeding under any provision or chapter of the Bankruptcy Code or any other similar federal or state law relating to the insolvency, bankruptcy, rehabilitation, liquidation or reorganization, (B) makes a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors, or (C) has an order for relief entered against it under the Bankruptcy Code or any other similar federal or state law relating to insolvency, bankruptcy, rehabilitation, liquidation or reorganization which is final and nonappealable; or

(iii) a court of competent jurisdiction, the New York Department of Insurance or other competent regulatory authority enters a final and nonappealable order, judgment or decree (A) appointing a custodian, trustee, agent or receiver for the Insurer or for all or any material portion of its property or (B) authorizing the taking of possession by a custodian, trustee, agent or

receiver of the Insurer (or the taking of possession of all or any material portion of the property of the Insurer).

**"Interest Period"** means, initially, the period from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the first Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date; *provided, however*, that the "Payment Date" solely for purposes of determining the Interest Period for the Fixed Rate Notes will be the 1<sup>st</sup> day of each February, May, August and November, regardless of whether such day is a Business Day.

**"Interest Proceeds"** means, with respect to any Due Period, the sum (without duplication) of all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period (or as otherwise specified below) by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are:

(i) payments of interest, fees, and commissions (excluding (A) Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal, (B) interest and dividends on Workout Assets, (C) fees and commissions from Defaulted Collateral Obligations, and (D) syndication and other up-front fees and any up-front fixed payments received in connection with entering into a Synthetic Security);

(ii) any portion of the Sale Proceeds of a Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) representing Accrued Interest On Sale;

(iii) all payments of principal on, or disposition proceeds from the sale of, Eligible Investments to the extent purchased with Interest Proceeds;

(iv) payments with respect to the Hedge Agreements received on or before the related Payment Date (other than any amount payable thereunder because of any early termination or notional amount reduction), but not any Sale Proceeds from any of these instruments (except to the extent that they were purchased with Interest Proceeds);

(v) all fees received pursuant to any Securities Lending Agreements;

(vi) during the continuance of an "event of default" (under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement), all interest received from the related Securities Lending Collateral;

(vii) amounts in the Collection Account designated for distribution as Interest Proceeds pursuant to the Priority of Payments (including any amount transferred from the Interest Reserve Account);

(viii) all earnings on amounts in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account and the Revolving Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.3(b) of the Indenture;

(ix) amounts in the Expense Reimbursement Account on the Payment Date for the relevant Due Period;

(x) any recoveries (including interest) received on a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in excess of the principal balance of such Defaulted Collateral Obligation (as of the date the related Collateral Obligation became a Defaulted Collateral Obligation).

Interest Proceeds shall not include the Excluded Property and Interest Proceeds shall not include earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

If an Interim Ramp-Up Completion Date Failure has occurred and is continuing on the first Payment Date, all Interest Proceeds remaining after application of Interest Proceeds pursuant to clauses (1) through (20) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" shall be deemed to be Interest Proceeds received in the Due Period relating to the second Payment Date and not available for distribution on such first Payment Date.

Each reference in the definition of "Interest Proceeds" to a Collateral Obligation shall include a Collateral Obligation that has been loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and Interest Proceeds shall include any amounts referred to in clauses (i) through (iii) above received by the Issuer in respect of the Collateral Obligation indirectly from the related Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement.

**"Interim Ramp-Up Completion Date Failure"** means, the failure of the Issuer to satisfy the criteria set forth in "Security for the Notes and the Composite Securities—Ramp-Up" on or before July 1, 2005; notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Issuer receives a Rating Confirmation after an Interim Ramp-Up Completion Date Failure but before the first Payment Date, such Interim Ramp-Up Completion Date Failure shall not be deemed to have occurred.

**"Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance"** means, for any Collateral Obligation other than Deep Discount Obligations, its Principal Balance; and for any Deep Discount Obligation its Purchase Price; *provided, however*, that if any Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations exist, the Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance for the Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations shall be the lower of (i) the weighted average Market Value of all CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances and (ii) the product of (a) 70% and (b) their respective Principal Balance.

**"Investment Obligation"** means, for a Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security, and otherwise the Collateral Obligation.

**"Issuer Charter"** means the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Issuer, as amended and restated before the Closing Date or in accordance with the Indenture.

**"Issuer Order"** and **"Issuer Request"** means a written order or request dated and signed in the name of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, or by the Portfolio Manager by an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

**"Junior Class"** means, with respect to a particular Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that is subordinated to that Class.

**"Leasing Finance Transaction"** means and transaction pursuant to which the obligations of the lessee to pay rent or other amounts on a triple net basis under any lease of (or other arrangement conveying the right to use) real or personal property, or a combination thereof, are required to be classified and accounted for as a capital lease on a balance sheet of such lessee under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America; but only if (a) such lease or other transaction provides for the unconditional obligation of the lessee to pay a stated amount of principal no later than a stated maturity date, together with interest thereon, and the payment of such obligation is not subject to any material non-credit related risk as determined by the Portfolio Manager, (b) the obligations of the lessee in respect of such lease or other transaction are fully secured, directly or indirectly, by the property that is the subject of such lease and (c) the interest held by the Issuer in respect of such lease or other transaction is treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.



**"Loan"** means any interest in a fully committed, senior secured, unsecured, or revolving loan (including loans involving credit linked deposits) that is acquired by assignment or by Participation (including any DIP Loan) that is either:

- (i) Registered; or
- (ii) issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States;
  - (A) whose payments are not subject to United States withholding tax; and
  - (B) that is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**"Long-Dated Collateral Obligation"** means any Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturity of the Notes other than a Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturities of the Notes that includes a "put" option to its obligor at a price of at least par payable on or before the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

**"Majority"** means, with respect to any Class or group of Notes or Composite Securities or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Composite Securities or Preference Shares, as the case may be (treating the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes as separate Classes). When used with respect to the Class A-1g Notes, the Insurer if the Insurer is the Controlling Class. When used with respect to the Controlling Class, the Insurer if the Insurer is the Controlling Class, and if the Insurer is not the Controlling Class, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class.

**"Make-Whole Premium"** means, with respect to the Fixed Rate Notes, the premium payable to the Holders of the Fixed Rate Notes in connection with (i) an Optional Redemption of such Notes (other than in connection with a Tax Event), (ii) the purchase of such Notes that are Extension Sale Securities in connection with the Maturity Extension, if any, or (iii) the purchase of such Notes in connection with an Amendment Buy-Out, as applicable, in each case in an amount equal to the excess, if any, of (x) the present value (discounted to the Redemption Date, Extension Effective Date or date of Amendment Buy-Out, as applicable, using the Reinvestment Yield as the discount rate on a semi-annual basis using a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months) of the remaining payments of interest and principal due on the Fixed Rate Notes, assuming that the entire outstanding principal amount of the applicable Fixed Rate Notes will be paid at the end of the Remaining Life Date and that each intervening payment of interest on the Fixed Rate Notes will be made on the related Payment Date in its entirety (and therefore there is no Deferred Interest on the Fixed Rate Notes) over (y) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the applicable Fixed Rate Notes on the Redemption Date, Extension Effective Date or date of Amendment Buy-Out, as applicable; *provided* that, in no event shall any Make-Whole Premium be less than zero.

**"Margin Stock"** means "Margin Stock" as defined under Regulation U issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, including any debt security that is by its terms convertible into Margin Stock, but does not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation received pursuant to an offer by an issuer of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**"Management Agreement"** means the Portfolio Management Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Market Value"** means, as of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Portfolio Manager and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par

(expressed in Dollars) of any Collateral Obligation based upon the Portfolio Manager's commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the lower of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the bid-side prices for the purchase of the Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Portfolio Manager) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Portfolio Manager); *provided* that if a Market Value of any Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined for a period of 30 consecutive days then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero; *provided, further*, that during such 30 day period, such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the lower of (i) (if any) the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as most recently determined by the Portfolio Manager in accordance with the foregoing and (ii) the current market value of such Collateral Obligation as determined by the Portfolio Manager in its commercially reasonable judgment; *provided, further*, that the maximum amount of Collateral Obligations having a Market Value assigned pursuant to the immediately preceding proviso shall be limited to 5.0% of the Maximum Investment Amount (and any amount in excess of 5.0% of the Maximum Investment Amount shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero).

**"Market Value Percentage"** means, for any Collateral Obligation, the ratio obtained by dividing:

- (i) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation; by
- (ii) the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Maximum Investment Amount"** means an amount equal to:

- (i) on any Measurement Date during the Ramp-Up Period, U.S.\$663,000,000; and
- (ii) on any Measurement Date after the Ramp-Up Completion Date:
  - (A) the aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations plus the aggregate outstanding principal amount of any Defaulted Collateral Obligations; *plus*
  - (B) cash representing Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
  - (C) Eligible Investments (other than cash) purchased by the Issuer with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account.

**"Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the sum of (i) the number set forth in the column entitled "Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Portfolio Manager (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable) *plus* (ii) the Recovery Rate Modifier.

**"Measurement Date"** means any date:

- (i) on which the Issuer commits to acquire or dispose of any Collateral Obligation;
- (ii) on which a Collateral Obligation becomes a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
- (iii) that is a Determination Date;

(iv) that is the Ramp-Up Completion Date; and

(v) that is the date as of which the information in a Monthly Report is calculated pursuant to the Indenture.

**"Minimum Diversity Score"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a score equal to the number set forth in the column entitled "Minimum Diversity Score" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Portfolio Manager (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**"Minimum Weighted Average Spread"** means, as of any Measurement Date, the spread equal to the percentage set forth in the row entitled "Minimum Weighted Average Spread" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Portfolio Manager (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**"Monthly Report"** means a monthly report compiled and provided by the Issuer.

**"Moody's Default Probability Rating"** means with respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

(i) with respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:

(A) if the Loan's obligor has a senior implied rating from Moody's, such senior implied rating; and

(B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Obligation Rating of such Loan;

(C) if the preceding clauses do not apply, the rating that is one subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating;

(ii) with respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating of such Collateral Obligation;

(iii) with respect to a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the rating that is one rating subcategory below the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof;

(iv) with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof (or, if the obligation does not have an Assigned Moody's Rating but has a rating by S&P, the rating that is the number of rating subcategories specified by Moody's below such S&P rating); and

(v) with respect to a Synthetic Security, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

**"Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating"** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation that is a Loan or bond and the obligor thereof, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

(i) if the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating;

(ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's "Issuer Rating" for the obligor;

(iii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating; then

(A) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "B3" (and, if rated "B3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one rating subcategory higher than such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(B) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "B3" (or rated "B3" and on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be such Assigned Moody's Rating;

(iv) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating; then:

(A) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "Caa3" (and, if rated "Caa3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one subcategory below such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(B) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "Caa3" (or rated "Caa3" and on watch for downgrade), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be "C";

(v) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but such obligor has a senior implied rating from Moody's, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be one rating subcategory below such senior implied rating;

(vi) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(D) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; or

(E) "B3" until the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager obtains an estimated rating from Moody's of (a) the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating no lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (vi)(C), or clauses (vii)(C) or (viii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(vii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any

postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(B) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (iii) above; or

(C) "B3" until the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (a) the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (vii)(C), or clauses (vi)(C) or (viii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(viii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(B) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (iv) above; or

(C) "B3" until the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (a) the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within two Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (viii)(C), or clauses (vi)(C) or (vii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(ix) if the preceding clauses do not apply and each of the following clauses (A) through (H) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa1":

(A) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings;

(B) no debt securities or obligations of the obligor are in default;

(C) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates has defaulted on any debt during the preceding two years;

- (D) the obligor has been in existence for the preceding five years;
- (E) the obligor is current on any cumulative dividends;
- (F) the fixed-charge ratio for the obligor exceeds 125% for each of the preceding two fiscal years and for the most recent quarter;
- (G) the obligor had a net profit before tax in the past fiscal year and the most recent quarter; and
- (H) the annual financial statements of such obligor are unqualified and certified by a firm of Independent accountants of international reputation, and quarterly statements are unaudited but signed by a corporate officer;
- (x) if the preceding clauses do not apply but each of the following clauses (A) and (B) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa3":
  - (A) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings; and
  - (B) no debt security or obligation of such obligor has been in default during the past two years; and
- (xi) if the preceding clauses do not apply and a debt security or obligation of the obligor has been in default during the past two years, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Ca."

Notwithstanding the foregoing, not more than 10% of the Maximum Investment Amount may consist of Investment Obligations given a Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating based on a rating given by S&P as provided in clauses (vi), (vii) and (viii) above.

**"Moody's Group I Country"** means any of the following countries: Australia, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group I Country.

**"Moody's Group II Country"** means any of the following countries: Germany, Ireland, Sweden, Switzerland and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group II Country.

**"Moody's Group III Country"** means any of the following countries: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, Spain and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group III Country.

**"Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the number obtained by (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate, (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations and (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

**"Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan"** means any Loan that is not a Moody's Senior Secured Loan.

**"Moody's Obligation Rating"** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (i) With respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:
  - (A) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or
  - (B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the rating that is one rating subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and
- (ii) With respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond:
  - (A) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or
  - (B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and
- (iii) With respect to a Synthetic Security or a DIP Loan, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

**"Moody's Priority Category"** means each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" as a "Moody's Priority Category."

**"Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate"** means for any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" opposite the Moody's Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Rating"** means the Moody's Default Probability Rating; *provided* that, with respect to the Collateral Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or any successor to it ceases to provide rating services, references to rating categories of Moody's in the Indenture shall be deemed instead to be references to the equivalent categories of any other nationally recognized investment rating agency selected by the Portfolio Manager, as of the most recent date on which such other rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which such alternative rating agency is used.

**"Moody's Rating Factor"** means the number in the table below opposite the rating of the Collateral Obligation (excluding Synthetic Securities where an Assigned Moody's Rating is not available).

<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>	<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>
Aaa	1	Ba1	940
Aa1	10	Ba2	1350
Aa2	20	Ba3	1766
Aa3	40	B1	2220
A1	70	B2	2720
A2	120	B3	3490
A3	180	Caa1	4770
Baa1	260	Caa2	6500
Baa2	360	Caa3	8070
Baa3	610	Ca or lower	10000

The Moody's Rating Factor for Collateral Obligations that are Synthetic Securities shall be determined by Moody's and obtained by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on a case-by-case basis, unless there is an Assigned Moody's Rating available for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, in which case such Assigned Moody's Rating shall be used to compute the Moody's Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security.

**"Moody's Senior Secured Loan"** means:

- (i) A Loan that:
  - (A) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan;
  - (B) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan; and
  - (C) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal seniority secured by a first lien or security interest in the same collateral; or



(ii) a Loan that:

(A) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan, other than, with respect to a Loan described in clause (i) above, with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such loan;

(B) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan; and

(C) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by a first or second lien or security interest in the same collateral;

(iii) the Loan is not: (A) a DIP Loan, (B) a Loan for which the security interest or lien (or the validity or effectiveness thereof) in substantially all of its collateral attaches, becomes effective, or otherwise "springs" into existence after the origination thereof, or (C) a type of loan that Moody's has identified as having unusual terms and with respect to which its Moody's Recovery Rate has been or is to be determined on a case-by-case basis; and

(iv) if the Loan has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating is not lower than the senior implied Moody's rating of the related obligor.

**"Non-Consenting Holder"** means respect to any supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, any Holder or, in the case of Securities represented by Global Securities, any beneficial owner, that either (i) has declared in writing that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) had not consented to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

**"Non-Performing Collateral Obligation"** means any Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any PIK Security as to which its issuer or obligor has previously deferred or capitalized any interest due on it and all the interest so deferred or capitalized has not subsequently been paid in full in cash by:

(i) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above, the earlier of its second payment date or one year following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it; or

(ii) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "Baa3," or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "BBB-," the earlier of its first payment date or six months following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it.

**"Noteholder"** means a Holder of the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes or the Class C Notes.

**"Note Payment Sequence"** means the application of funds in the following order:

(1) to the Senior Class A Notes until the Senior Class A Notes have been fully redeemed (with each of the Senior Class A Notes being redeemed *pro rata* based upon the

outstanding principal amount of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-1b Notes and the Class A-1g Notes);

(2) to the Class A-2 Notes until the Class A-2 Notes have been fully redeemed;

(3) to the Class A-3 Notes until the Class A-3 Notes have been fully redeemed (with each of the Class A-3 Notes being redeemed *pro rata* based upon the outstanding principal amount of the Class A-3a Notes and the Class A-3b Notes);

(4) to the Class B Notes until the Class B Notes have been fully redeemed; and

(5) to the Class C Notes until the Class C Notes have been fully redeemed.

**"Offer"** means any Collateral Obligation that is subject to a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion or other similar action.

**"Officer"** means, with respect to the Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to the Co-Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to any partnership, any of its general partners; and with respect to the Trustee, any Trust Officer.

**"Outstanding"** means, with respect to:

(i) the Notes and the Composite Securities or any specified Class, as of any date of determination, all of the Notes, all of the Composite Securities or all of the Notes of the specified Class, as the case may be, theretofore authenticated and delivered under the Indenture, except with respect to Notes and Composite Securities:

(A) Securities canceled by the Indenture Registrar or delivered to the Indenture Registrar for cancellation;

(B) Notes for whose payment or redemption funds in the necessary amount have been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for their Holders pursuant to Section 4.1(a)(ii) of the Indenture and if the Notes are to be redeemed, notice of redemption has been duly given pursuant to the Indenture;

(C) Notes in exchange for or in lieu of which other Notes have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to the Indenture and Composite Securities in exchange for or in lieu of which other Composite Securities have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to the Indenture; and

(D) Securities alleged to have been destroyed, lost, or stolen for which replacement Securities have been issued as provided in Section 2.7 of the Indenture, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Securities are held by a protected purchaser;

(ii) the Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Preference Share Documents and listed in the Preference Share register of the Issuer as outstanding;

*provided* that, in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes, the Preference Shares or the Composite Securities have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, or waiver under the Indenture:

(1) to the extent the Class A-1g Notes have been paid with proceeds of the Policy and subject to the Indenture, such Class A-1g Notes shall continue to remain Outstanding for purposes of the Indenture until the Insurer has been paid as subrogee hereunder and reimbursed pursuant to the Insurance Agreement, as evidenced by a written notice from the Insurer delivered to the Trustee, and the Insurer shall be deemed the Holder thereof, to the extent of any payments thereon made by the Insurer;

(2) Holders of Composite Securities, except to the extent otherwise expressly provided, will be entitled to vote with the Preference Shares to which the Preference Share Component of such Composite Securities relates, with a face amount equal to the aggregate Face Amount of the Preference Shares relating to such Preference Share Component; and

(3) Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares owned or beneficially owned by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, any Affiliate of either of them and (only (x) with respect to any matter affecting its status as Portfolio Manager, or (y) in any matter respecting an acceleration of any Class of Notes or Composite Securities if the effect of the Portfolio Manager's action or inaction as a Holder of Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares would effectively prevent acceleration) the Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates shall be disregarded and not be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, or waiver, only Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares that a Trust Officer of the Trustee has actual knowledge to be so owned or beneficially owned shall be so disregarded. Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares so owned or beneficially owned that have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee the pledgee's right so to act with respect to the Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares and that the pledgee is not the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any Affiliate of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

With respect to Components, as of any date of determination, all of the Components represented by Composite Securities that are Outstanding under the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents.

**"Participating Institution"** means an institution that creates a participation interest and that has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" (and if so rated by Moody's such rating is not on watch for possible downgrade) and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A".

**"Participation"** means a Loan acquired as a participation interest created by a Participating Institution.

**"Permitted Offer"** means a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion, or other similar action pursuant to which the offeror offers to acquire a debt obligation (including a Collateral Obligation) in exchange solely for cash in an amount equal to or greater than the full face amount of the debt obligation plus any accrued and unpaid interest and as to which the Portfolio Manager has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the offeror has sufficient access to financing to consummate the tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion, or other similar action.

**"PIK Security"** means any Collateral Obligation with respect to which its issuer or obligor may defer or capitalize interest due on the Collateral Obligation under the related underlying instruments.

**"Pledged Obligations"** means, as of any date of determination, the Collateral Obligations, the Workout Assets, the Eligible Investments, and any other securities or obligations that have been granted to the Trustee that form part of the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral.

**"Person"** is an individual, corporation (including a business trust), partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust (including any beneficiary thereof), unincorporated association or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

**"Preference Share Internal Rate of Return"** means, with respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the "XIRR" function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for the following cash flows, assuming all Preference Shares were purchased on the Closing Date at par:

(i) each distribution of Interest Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date; and

(ii) each distribution of Principal Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date.

For purposes of this definition, distributions in respect of the Preference Share Components shall be deemed to have been received by the Holders of the Composite Securities on the Payment Date preceding the related Composite Securities Payment Date.

**"Preference Shares Distribution Account"** means a separate segregated non-interest bearing trust account established by the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deposit all amounts received from the Issuer and payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares under the Priority of Payments.

**"Preference Shares Distribution Amount"** means, with respect to each Payment Date, an amount equal to 7.0% per annum of the Preference Shares Notional Amount (such Preference Shares Notional Amount reduced by any distribution prior to such Payment Date pursuant to "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds" made in respect of the Preference Shares). The Preference Shares Distribution Amount shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

**"Preference Shares Notional Amount"** means, \$82,200,000.

**"Preference Shares Paying Agent"** means JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, in its capacity as Preference Shares Paying Agent under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter "Preference Shares Paying Agent" shall mean such successor person.

**"Premium Letter"** means the letter agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Insurer in respect of the Premium payable by the Issuer in consideration of the issuance of the Policy.

**"Premium Rate"** means a per annum rate equal to the per annum rate at which the Premium accrues pursuant to the Premium Letter.

**"Principal Balance"** means, with respect to:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those specifically covered in this definition, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Pledged Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest, zero, except as otherwise expressly specified in the Indenture;
- (iv) any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, except as otherwise provided, zero;
- (v) any Collateral Obligation that has been loaned, its Principal Balance shall be reduced by the excess of the amount of collateral required over the actual Market Value of the collateral;
- (vi) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance shall include any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount), except as otherwise expressly specified in the Indenture;
- (vii) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance shall not include any principal amount of the PIK Security representing previously deferred or capitalized interest; and
- (viii) any obligation or security that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, zero.

**"Principal Proceeds"** means with respect to any Due Period, all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are not Interest Proceeds.

Principal Proceeds shall include any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account into the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.2 of the Indenture.

Principal Proceeds do not include the Excluded Property or earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

At any time when an "event of default" under a Securities Lending Agreement has occurred and is continuing, any payments received by the Issuer from the related Securities Lending Collateral shall be Principal Proceeds.

**"Priority Class"** means, with respect to any specified Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that ranks senior to that Class.

**"Proceeding"** means any suit in equity, action at law, or other judicial or administrative proceeding.

**"Proposed Portfolio"** means, as of any Measurement Date, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations and Principal Proceeds held as cash on deposit in the Collection Account and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account resulting from the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or a proposed reinvestment in a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**"Purchase Price"** means, with respect to the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (other than any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of

a Collateral Obligation), the net purchase price paid by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation. The net purchase price is determined by subtracting from the purchase price the amount of any Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal and any syndication and other upfront fees paid to the Issuer and by adding the amount of any related transaction costs (including assignment fees) paid by the Issuer to the seller of the Collateral Obligation or its agent.

**"Purchase Price Amount"** means, respect to any Collateral Obligation on any date of determination, the product of (i) the Purchase Price (stated as a percentage) thereof and (ii) the Principal Balance thereof on such date.

**"Qualified Equity Security"** means any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that is stock or evidence of an interest in or a right to buy stock, or any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation but whose acquisition otherwise is a transaction in stocks or securities within the meaning of Section 864(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Code and the regulations under the Code. Qualified Equity Securities do not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation and that will cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in or having income from a United States trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes by virtue of its ownership or disposition of the obligation (without regard to the Issuer's other activities).

**"Ramp-Up Period"** means the period from and including the Closing Date to and including the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

**"Rating Agency"** means, each of Moody's and S&P or, with respect to Pledged Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or S&P ceases to provide rating services with respect to high yield debt securities, any other nationally recognized statistical rating organization selected by the Issuer and reasonably satisfactory to a Majority of each Class of Notes. If at any time Moody's ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of Moody's in the Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used. If at any time S&P ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of S&P in the Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and S&P published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used.

**"Rating Condition"** means, with respect to any Rating Agency and any action taken or to be taken under the Indenture, a condition that is satisfied when the Rating Agency has confirmed to the Portfolio Manager (as agent for the Issuer) in writing that no withdrawal, reduction, suspension, or other adverse action with respect to any then current rating by it (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes (in the case of the Class A-1g Notes, without giving effect to the Policy) or Composite Securities will occur as a result of the action. The Rating Condition with respect to any Rating Agency shall be satisfied for all purposes of the Indenture at any time when no Outstanding Securities are rated by it.

**"Rating Confirmation"** means confirmation from each Rating Agency (and with respect to the Composite Securities, from Moody's only) that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes or Composite Securities.

**"Ratings Matrix"** means the "row/column combination" of the table below selected by the Portfolio Manager on the Closing Date to apply initially for purposes of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test. Thereafter, on notice to the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager may select a different row of the Ratings Matrix to apply, or may interpolate

between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable, on a straight-line basis and round the results to two decimal points.

Minimum Weighted Average Spread	Minimum Diversity Score						
	50	55	60	65	70	75	80
2.45%	2185	2220	2255	2290	2325	2360	2395
2.55%	2245	2280	2315	2350	2385	2420	2455
2.65%	2305	2340	2375	2410	2445	2480	2515
2.75%	2365	2400	2435	2470	2505	2540	2575
2.85%	2425	2460	2495	2530	2565	2600	2635
2.95%	2485	2520	2555	2590	2625	2660	2695
3.05%	2545	2580	2615	2650	2685	2720	2755
Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor							

"**Recovery Rate Modifier**" means, as of any Measurement Date, the lesser of 60 and the product of:

(i) (a) the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate *minus* the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test (but not less than zero) *multiplied* by (b) 100; and

(ii) 40.

"**Redemption Date**" means any Payment Date specified for an Optional Redemption under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption."

"**Redemption Price**" means, with respect to any Note and any Optional Redemption, an amount equal to:

- (i) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of the Note being redeemed; *plus*
- (ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest); *plus*
- (iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note; *plus*
- (iv) in the case of the Fixed Rate Notes, the applicable Make-Whole Amount; *plus*
- (v) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

With respect to any Preference Share and any Optional Redemption, "Redemption Price" means (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares of the remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications pursuant to the Priority of Payments or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case as specified in "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares."

With respect to any Class 1 Component and any Optional Redemption, "Redemption Price" means the distribution in kind of the Treasury Strip provided for in "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares."

**"Reference Obligation"** means an obligation that would otherwise satisfy the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and on which a Synthetic Security is based.

**"Registered"** means, with respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment, means that it is issued after July 18, 1984 and is in registered form within the meaning of Section 881(c)(2)(B)(i) of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.

**"Regulation D"** means Regulation D under the Securities Act.

**"Reinvestment Overcollateralization Ratio"** means, as of any Measurement Date, the ratio obtained by dividing: (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator by (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes together with any Deferred Interest on any Class of Notes.

**"Reinvestment Yield"** means, with respect to the Class A-1b Notes and the Class A-3b Notes, the rate equal to the sum of (a) (i) for the Class A-1b Notes, 0.155% and (ii) for the Class A-3b Notes, 0.30% and (b) the applicable yield to maturity implied by (i) the yields reported, as of 10:00 a.m. (New York City time) on the tenth Business Day preceding the Redemption Date, Extension Effective Date or date of Amendment Buy-Out, as applicable, on "Notes/Bonds" section on the first page on the display designated as "Govt PX1" on Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News (or such other display as may replace such display) for actively traded U.S. Treasury securities (for the avoidance of doubt, excluding U.S. Treasury securities with option features, U.S. Treasury inflation securities and other markets) having a maturity as nearly as practicable equal to the Remaining Life Date or (ii) if such yields are not reported as of such time or the yields reported as of such time are not ascertainable, the Treasury Constant Maturity Series Yields reported, for the latest day for which such yields have been so reported as of the tenth Business Day preceding the Redemption Date, Extension Effective Date or date of Amendment Buy-Out, as applicable, in Federal Reserve Statistical Release H.15 (519) (or any comparable successor publication) for actively traded U.S. Treasury securities having a constant maturity as nearly as practicable equal to the Remaining Life Date; *provided, however*, if the maturity of the obligations used in the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) differ by more than one month from the Remaining Life Date, then the yield determined pursuant to the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) shall be determined by using linear interpolation between two maturities, one being the nearest maturity preceding the end of the Remaining Life Date and the other being the nearest maturity next succeeding the end of the Remaining Life Date.

**"Remaining Life Date"** means, with respect to the Class A-1b Notes, June 1, 2013 and with respect to the Class A-3b Notes September 1, 2015.

**"Removal Buy-Out Purchase Price"** means the purchase price payable by the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser for the Class A-1g Notes purchased in an Removal Buy-Out, if any, in an amount equal to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Class A-1g Notes, *plus* accrued and unpaid interest to the date of purchase payable to the Holder of such Class A-1g Notes (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date).

**"Removal Buy-Out Purchaser"** means the Portfolio Manager (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event that the Portfolio Manager elects not to purchase Class A-1g Notes from Holders pursuant the Indenture and as described in "Description of the Securities—Removal Buy-Out," "Removal Buy-Out Purchaser" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser) or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Portfolio Manager; *provided, however*, none of the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Removal Buy-Out Purchaser.

**"Repository"** means the internet-based password protected electronic repository of transaction documents relating to privately offered and sold collateralized debt obligation securities located at



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**"Revolving Loan"** means a Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation (in each case excluding any Delayed Drawdown Loan) that requires the Issuer to make future advances to (or for the account of) the borrower under its underlying instruments (including any letter of credit for which the Issuer is required to reimburse the issuing bank for under it). A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Revolving Loan for so long as its commitment amount is greater than zero.

**"S&P CDO Monitor"** means a dynamic, analytical computer model developed by S&P and provided to the Portfolio Manager and the Collateral Administrator to be used to calculate the default frequency in terms of the amount of debt assumed to default as a percentage of the original principal amount of the Collateral Obligations consistent with a specified benchmark rating level based on certain assumptions and S&P's proprietary corporate default studies. For the purpose (and only for the purpose) of applying the S&P CDO Monitor to a portfolio of obligations, for each obligation in the portfolio, the rating of the obligation shall be its S&P Rating.

**"S&P Industry Classification"** means the S&P Industry Classifications in Schedule 3 of the Indenture as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by S&P.

**"S&P Priority Category"** means each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" as an "S&P Priority Category."

**"S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate"** means, for any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" opposite the S&P Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**"S&P Rating"** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following methodology:

(i) If there is an issuer credit rating of the borrower of the Collateral Obligation (the "Borrower"), or the guarantor who unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the Collateral Obligation (the "Guarantor") by S&P, the most current issuer credit rating for such Borrower or Guarantor;

(ii) (a) if there is not an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation will be one subcategory below such rating; (b) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior unsecured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be such rating; and (c) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a subordinated obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be two subcategories above such rating if such rating is "BBB-" or higher and will be one subcategory above such rating if such rating is "BB+" or lower; or

(iii) if there is neither an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P nor a rating by S&P on an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating may be determined using any one of the methods below:

(A) if an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is publicly rated by Moody's, then the S&P Rating will be determined in accordance with the methodologies for establishing the Moody's Default Probability Rating, except that the S&P Rating of such obligation will be (1) one subcategory below the S&P equivalent of the rating

assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Baa3" or higher by Moody's and (2) two subcategories below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Bal" or lower by Moody's; *provided* that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 10% of the Maximum Investment Amount may be given a S&P Rating based on a rating given by Moody's as provided in this subclause (A) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

(B) if no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's, then the Portfolio Manager may apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating estimate, which will be its S&P Rating; or

(C) if such Collateral Obligation is not rated by Moody's or S&P, no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's and if the Portfolio Manager determines in its sole discretion based on information available to it after reasonable inquiry that such Borrower (x) is not subject to any bankruptcy or reorganization proceedings nor in default on any of its obligations (unless the subject of a good faith business dispute), (y) is a legally constituted corporate entity having the minimum legal, financial and operational infrastructure to carry on a definable business, deliver and sell a product or service and report its results in generally accepted accounting terms as verified by a reputable audit firm and (z) is not so vulnerable to adverse business, financial and economic conditions that default in its financial or other obligations is foreseeable in the near term if current operating trends continue, then the S&P Rating will be "CCC-"; *provided* that the Portfolio Manager must apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating on such Borrower within 30 days after the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation; *provided, further*, that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount may be given an S&P Rating based on this subclause (c) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

*provided* that, if (i) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any positive "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be increased by one rating subcategory or (ii) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any negative "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be decreased by one rating subcategory.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the S&P Rating shall be (A) the rating assigned thereto by S&P if the rating is public, (B) the rating assigned by S&P if the rating is confidential, but only if all appropriate parties have provided written consent to its disclosure and use, (C) the rating assigned by S&P thereto through an estimated rating or (D) the rating assigned thereto by S&P in connection with the acquisition thereof upon the request of the Portfolio Manager. In the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a PIK Security or Structured Finance Obligation, the S&P Rating may not be determined pursuant to clause (iii)(A) above.

S&P Ratings for entities or obligations relevant hereunder other than Borrowers and Collateral Obligations shall be determined in a corresponding manner.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if and for so long as the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations consisting in the aggregate of (x) Participations and (y) Synthetic Securities exceeds 20% of the Maximum Investment Amount, then the S&P Rating for the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations representing that excess (determined assuming the excess is comprised of the Collateral Obligations having the lowest S&P Ratings that would otherwise be applicable as determined above) shall be the S&P Rating one sub-category below the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be applicable as determined above.

**"S&P Unrated DIP Loan"** means a DIP Loan acquired by the Issuer that does not have a rating assigned by S&P and for which the Portfolio Manager has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P (as specified in the definition of "DIP Loan").

**"Sale Proceeds"** means all proceeds received (including any proceeds received with respect to any associated interest rate swap or security providing fixed annuity payments ) with respect to Collateral Obligations or other Pledged Obligations as a result of their sales or other dispositions less any reasonable expenses expended by the Portfolio Manager or the Trustee in connection with the sales or other dispositions, which shall be paid from such proceeds notwithstanding their characterization otherwise as Administrative Expenses.

**"Secondary Risk Counterparty"** means any obligor Domiciled other than in the United States, any Participating Institution, any Synthetic Security Counterparty and any Securities Lending Counterparty.

**"Secondary Risk Table"** means the table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty		Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
Moody's	S&P		
Aaa	AAA	20.0%	20.0%
Aa1	AA+	10.0%	10.0%
Aa2	AA	10.0%	10.0%
Aa3	AA-	10.0%	10.0%
A1	A+	5.0%	10.0%
A2 or below	A or below	0.0%	0.0%

If any Secondary Risk Counterparty's long-term senior unsecured debt rating or short-term rating is on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P, then for the purposes of the table above, its rating by the Rating Agency putting its rating on credit watch shall be one rating notch lower for that Rating Agency.

**"Secured Parties"** means the Noteholders, the Insurer, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager and each Hedge Counterparty.

**"Securities Lending Collateral"** means Cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the relevant Securities Lending Agreement and that are pledged by a Securities Lending Counterparty as collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement.

**"Selected Collateral Quality Tests"** means Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Life Test (after taking into consideration any applicable Maturity Extension), the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the Diversity Test.

**"Senior Secured Loan"** means a Secured Loan that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a first priority security interest in collateral.

**"Senior Unsecured Loan"** means a Loan that is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**"Spread Excess"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose (i) numerator is the product of (A) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date over the Minimum Weighted Average Spread specified in the applicable row of the Ratings Matrix and (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date and (ii) denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date. In computing the Spread Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Fixed Rate Excess were equal to zero.

**"Structured Finance Obligation"** means any obligation:

(i) secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool of receivables or other assets of U.S. obligors, or obligors organized or incorporated in Moody's Group I Countries, Moody's Group II Countries or Moody's Group III Countries, including portfolio credit default swaps, synthetic collateralized debt obligations, and collateralized debt obligations, but excludes:

- (A) residential mortgage-backed securities;
- (B) collateralized debt obligations backed by Emerging Market Securities;
- (C) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by asset-backed securities;
- (D) market value collateralized debt obligations;
- (E) securities backed by "future flow" receivables;
- (F) net interest margin securitizations;
- (G) collateralized debt obligations backed by other collateralized debt obligations; and
- (H) collateralized debt obligations a significant portion of which are backed by bonds;

(ii) that has an S&P Rating and an S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate;

(iii) that has a rating and a Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate assigned by Moody's; and

(iv) whose ownership or disposition (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) by the Issuer will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

In connection with the purchase of a Structured Finance Obligation, the Portfolio Manager shall obtain from Moody's the applicable Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate.

For purposes of the Diversity Test, multiple Structured Finance Obligations from CDOs managed by the same Portfolio Manager or multiple Structured Finance Obligations issued by the same master trust will be considered to be obligations of one issuer.

**"Subordinated Lien Loan"** means a Secured Loan secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**"Super Majority"** means, with respect to any Class or group of Notes or Composite Securities, the Holders of more than 66-2/3% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Composite Securities, as the case may be.

**"Synthetic Security"** means any swap transaction, structured bond investment, credit linked note, or other derivative financial instrument relating to a debt instrument (but excluding any such instrument relating directly to a basket or portfolio of debt instruments) or an index or indices (such as the "SAMI" index published by Credit Suisse First Boston) in connection with a basket or portfolio of debt instruments or other similar instruments entered into by the Issuer with a Synthetic Security Counterparty that has in the Portfolio Manager's commercially reasonable judgment, equivalent expected loss characteristics (those characteristics, "**credit risk**") to those of the related Reference Obligations (taking account of those considerations as they relate to the Synthetic Security Counterparty), if (i) it is either a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied, and (ii) the Reference Obligations thereof have a weighted average Market Value of at least 80% at the time the Synthetic Security is entered into.

The maturity, interest rate, and other non-credit characteristics of a Synthetic Security may be different from the Reference Obligations to which the credit risk of the Synthetic Security relates.

No Synthetic Security shall require the Issuer to make any payment to the Synthetic Security Counterparty after its initial purchase other than any payments represented by the release of any cash collateral posted by the Issuer from the Collection Account to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of the posted cash collateral. Collateral may be posted only to a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account. No Synthetic Security shall result in the Issuer being a "buyer" of credit protection.

The term Synthetic Security shall not include any Structured Finance Obligation or any Participation, but the Reference Obligation of a Synthetic Security may be a Structured Finance Obligation.

Each Synthetic Security Agreement shall contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those contained in the Indenture.

The ownership or disposition of any Synthetic Security (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) must not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

Unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" under any proposed Synthetic Security must not provide that its transfer to the Issuer is subject to obtaining any consents and must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation and satisfy the Concentration Limitations under the Indenture, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event and if the Reference Obligation of

the Synthetic Security is a Senior Secured Loan then the "deliverable obligation" under the Synthetic Security must also be a Senior Secured Loan.

Synthetic Securities that are credit default swaps, credit linked notes, or other similar instruments may not provide for "restructuring" as a "credit event".

For purposes of the Coverage Tests and the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test, unless the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied in respect of any proposed alternative treatment, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in the Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in the Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligation.

With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, for purposes of: (i) calculating compliance with the Diversity Test, the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test, and the Concentration Limitations (other than limits relating to payment characteristics and except for clauses 17 and 17(a) of the definition of "Concentration Limitations"), and all related definitions, and (ii) any other provision or definition of the Indenture involving a determination with respect to a Reference Obligation, the characteristics of such Reference Obligations shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct investment by the Issuer in each such Reference Obligation in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation. In addition, each Reference Obligation under such Synthetic Security shall be assigned a Moody's Rating Factor equal to the sum of the Moody's Rating Factor of (i) the related Reference Obligor, (ii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty of such Synthetic Security and (iii) the Synthetic Security Collateral of such Synthetic Security. In addition, the Moody's Priority Category Rate in respect of a Synthetic Security referencing multiple Reference Obligations pursuant to this paragraph shall be the Moody's Priority Category Rate as assigned by Moody's to each Reference Obligation underlying such Synthetic Security. For the avoidance of doubt, Reference Obligations upon which a Synthetic Security is based as described in this paragraph must meet the definition of "Collateral Obligation" to the extent provided in this definition.

If the Rating Condition must be satisfied to execute the purchase of any Synthetic Security, the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, shall give each applicable Rating Agency not less than 5 days' prior notice of the purchase of or entry into any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Agreement"** means the documentation governing any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Collateral"** means, respect to any Synthetic Security, amounts posted to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account by the Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its obligations under the Synthetic Security, including (i) all Eligible Investments or (ii) investments that satisfy the

Rating Condition with respect to Moody's, in each case that mature no later than the Stated Maturity, in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account that are purchased with Synthetic Security Collateral.

**"Synthetic Security Counterparty"** means any entity required to make payments on a Synthetic Security to the extent that a reference obligor makes payments on a related Reference Obligation.

**"Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction"** means one of the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the Netherlands Antilles or the tax advantaged jurisdiction of the Channel Islands, or such other jurisdiction that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto.

**"Tax Event"** means an event that occurs if either:

(i) (A) one or more Collateral Obligations that were not subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them have become subject to withholding tax or the rate of withholding has increased on one or more Collateral Obligations that were subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them and (B) in any Due Period, the aggregate of the payments subject to withholding tax on new withholding tax obligations and the increase in payments subject to withholding tax on increased rate withholding tax obligations, in each case to the extent not "grossed-up" (on an after-tax basis) by the related obligor, represent 5% or more of Interest Proceeds for the Due Period; or

(ii) taxes, fees, assessments, or other similar charges are imposed on the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in an aggregate amount in any twelve-month period in excess of U.S.\$2,000,000, other than any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax with respect to any payment owing in respect of any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation or Collateral Obligation.

**"Treasury Regulations"** means regulations, including proposed or temporary regulations, promulgated under the Code. References herein to specific provisions of proposed or temporary regulations shall include analogous provisions of final Treasury Regulations or other successor Treasury Regulations.

**"Treasury Strip Market Value"** means on any date of determination, the market value of the Treasury Strip underlying the applicable portion of the Class 1 Component of the Class 1 Composite Securities on such date, as determined in a commercially reasonable manner by the Portfolio Manager.

**"UCC"** means the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the State of New York, and as amended from time to time.

**"Underlying Instrument"** means the loan agreement, indenture, credit agreement, or other agreement pursuant to which a Pledged Obligation has been issued or created and each other agreement that governs the terms of or secures the obligations represented by the Pledged Obligation or of which the holders of the Pledged Obligation are the beneficiaries.

**"Unscheduled Principal Payments"** means any principal payments received with respect to a Collateral Obligation as a result of optional redemptions, exchange offers, tender offers, other payments or prepayments made at the option of the issuer thereof or that are otherwise not scheduled to be made thereunder.

**"Valuation Report"** means the accounting report, determined as of the close of business on each Determination Date, rendered in accordance with the terms of the Indenture.

**"Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon"** means, as of any Measurement Date, the rate obtained by:

- (i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Fixed Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum rate at which it pays interest, using only the effective after-tax interest rate determined by the Portfolio Manager on any Fixed Rate Obligation after taking into account any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction and any gross-up paid by the obligor;
- (ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);
- (iii) dividing the sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations that are Fixed Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and
- (iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, adding to the sum the amount of any Spread Excess as of the Measurement Date, but only to the extent required to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test.

**"Weighted Average Life"** means, as of any Measurement Date the number obtained by (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying (A) the Average Life at that time of each Collateral Obligation by (B) the Principal Balance at that time of the Collateral Obligation and (ii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance at that time of all Collateral Obligations.

**"Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor"** means the summation of the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation (excluding Eligible Investments) by its respective Moody's Rating Factor, dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) and rounding the result up to the nearest whole number.

**"Weighted Average Spread"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate obtained by:

- (i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Floating Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum overall rate at which it pays interest, determined with respect to any Floating Rate Obligation that does not bear interest based on a three month London interbank offered rate, by expressing the current interest rate on the Floating Rate Obligation as a spread above a three month London interbank offered rate calculated in a manner consistent with the calculation of LIBOR;
- (ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);
- (iii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and
- (iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to pass the Weighted Average Spread Test, adding to that sum the amount of Fixed Rate Excess as of the Measurement Date.

For purposes of calculating the Weighted Average Spread, the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall not include any of its unfunded amount.



**"Workout Assets"** means a Loan, High-Yield Bond, or Qualified Equity Security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation that the Issuer does not advance any funds to purchase that does not qualify as a Collateral Obligation.

**"Zero-Coupon Security"** means a security that, at the time of determination, does not make periodic payments of interest. A Zero-Coupon Security shall not include a security that is a PIK Security.

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The New York State Insurance Department recognizes only statutory accounting practices for determining and reporting the financial condition and results of operations of an insurance company, for determining its solvency under the New York Insurance Law, and for determining whether its financial condition warrants the payment of a dividend to its stockholders. No consideration is given by the New York State Insurance Department to financial statements prepared in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principles in making such determinations.

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### **Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm**

To the Board of Directors and Stockholder of  
ACE Guaranty Corp.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated balance sheets and the related consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income, of stockholder's equity and of cash flows, present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of ACE Guaranty Corp., (the "Company"), an indirect, wholly owned subsidiary of ACE Limited, at December 31, 2003 and 2002, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2003 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These financial statement are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note 2 and Note 4 to the financial statements, the Company changed its method of accounting for goodwill and derivatives in 2002 and 2001, respectively.

/s/ PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

New York, New York  
June 25, 2004

**ACE Guaranty Corp.**  
**Consolidated Balance Sheets**  
**December 31, 2003 and 2002**

*(dollars in the thousands, except share and per share data)*

	2003	2002
<b>Assets</b>		
Fixed maturity securities available for sale, at fair value (amortized cost: \$1,057,044 in 2003 and \$896,375 in 2002)	\$ 1,126,723	\$ 961,057
Short-term investments, at cost, which approximates fair value	55,078	52,384
Total investments	<u>1,181,801</u>	<u>1,013,441</u>
Cash	18,009	3,081
Accrued investment income	14,031	12,138
Deferred acquisition costs	146,926	135,884
Prepaid reinsurance premiums	7,254	51,926
Reinsurance recoverable on ceded losses	-	11,420
Premiums receivable	31,524	32,081
Goodwill	87,062	87,062
Other assets	14,946	12,341
Total assets	<u>\$ 1,501,553</u>	<u>\$ 1,359,374</u>
<b>Liabilities and stockholder's equity</b>		
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Unearned premium reserve	\$ 389,027	\$ 352,551
Reserve for losses and loss adjustment expenses	110,259	75,961
Deferred federal income taxes payable	77,934	53,567
Current federal income taxes payable	6,389	8,517
Unrealized losses on derivative financial instruments	18,482	67,023
Other liabilities	22,732	28,318
Total liabilities	<u>624,823</u>	<u>585,937</u>
Commitments and contingencies (Note 13)		
<b>Stockholder's equity</b>		
Common stock – \$720 par value per share in 2003 and 2002: 200,000 authorized, 20,834 issued and outstanding in 2003 and 2002	15,000	15,000
Additional paid-in capital	351,231	345,561
Unearned stock grant compensation	(2,849)	(2,056)
Retained earnings	468,064	372,889
Accumulated other comprehensive income	45,284	42,043
Total stockholder's equity	<u>876,730</u>	<u>773,437</u>
Total liabilities and stockholder's equity	<u>\$ 1,501,553</u>	<u>\$ 1,359,374</u>

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

**ACE Guaranty Corp.**  
**Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income**  
**Years Ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001**

*(dollars in thousands)*

	2003	2002	2001
<b>Revenues</b>			
Gross written premiums	\$ 219,923	\$ 155,079	\$ 120,796
Ceded premiums	(36,623)	31,367	31,798
Net written premiums	256,546	123,712	88,998
Increase in unearned premium reserve	(81,148)	(12,199)	(11,336)
Net premiums earned	175,398	111,513	77,662
Net investment income	47,156	46,730	46,487
Net realized gains	2,092	6,888	10,203
Net realized gain (loss) on derivative financial instruments	48,541	(36,998)	5,051
Other income	1,340	1,307	633
Total revenues	274,527	129,440	140,036
<b>Expenses</b>			
Losses and loss adjustment expenses	56,706	24,513	5,875
Acquisition costs	57,609	41,624	31,520
Increase in deferred acquisition costs	(11,042)	(8,212)	(7,011)
Other operating expenses	24,341	15,229	13,703
Goodwill amortization	-	-	3,785
Foreign exchange (gains) losses	(865)	216	3
Total expenses	126,749	73,370	47,875
Income before provision for federal income taxes	147,778	56,070	92,161
<b>Provision (benefit) for federal income taxes</b>			
Current	19,985	20,847	14,749
Deferred	22,618	(10,420)	11,036
Total provision for federal income taxes	42,603	10,427	25,785
Net income before cumulative effect of new accounting standard	105,175	45,643	66,376
Cumulative effect of new accounting standard, net of tax	-	-	(22,800)
Net income	105,175	45,643	43,576
<b>Other comprehensive income, net of tax</b>			
Unrealized holding gains (losses) arising during the year	1,881	23,087	(16,788)
Reclassification adjustment for realized gains included in net income	1,360	4,477	6,632
Change in net unrealized gain (loss) on fixed maturity securities available for sale	3,241	27,564	(10,156)
Comprehensive income	\$ 108,416	\$ 73,207	\$ 33,420

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

**ACE Guaranty Corp.**  
**Consolidated Statements of Stockholder's Equity**  
**Years Ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001**

*(dollars in thousands)*

	<b>Common Stock</b>	<b>Additional Paid-in Capital</b>	<b>Unearned Stock Grant Compensation</b>	<b>Retained Earnings</b>	<b>Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income</b>	<b>Total Stockholder's Equity</b>
<b>Balance January 1, 2001</b>	\$ 2,500	\$ 352,900	\$ -	\$ 297,170	\$ 24,635	\$ 677,205
Net income				43,576		43,576
Dividends				(5,500)		(5,500)
Change in Par Value	12,500	(12,500)				-
Tax benefit for options exercised		1,629				1,629
Unrealized loss on fixed maturity securities, net of tax (\$5,469)					(10,156)	(10,156)
Unearned stock grant compensation, net			(984)			(984)
<b>Balance, December 31, 2001</b>	\$ 15,000	\$ 342,029	\$ (984)	\$ 335,246	\$ 14,479	\$ 705,770
Net income				45,643		45,643
Dividends				(8,000)		(8,000)
Tax benefit for options exercised		3,532				3,532
Unrealized gain on fixed maturity securities, net of tax (\$14,842)					27,564	27,564
Unearned stock grant compensation, net			(1,072)			(1,072)
<b>Balance, December 31, 2002</b>	\$ 15,000	\$ 345,561	\$ (2,056)	\$ 372,889	\$ 42,043	\$ 773,437
Net income				105,175		105,175
Dividends				(10,000)		(10,000)
Tax benefit for options exercised		5,670				5,670
Unrealized gain on fixed maturity securities, net of tax (\$1,745)					3,241	3,241
Unearned stock grant compensation, net			(793)			(793)
<b>Balance, December 31, 2003</b>	\$ 15,000	\$ 351,231	\$ (2,849)	\$ 468,064	\$ 45,284	\$ 876,730

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

**ACE Guaranty Corp.**  
**Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**  
**Years Ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001**

*(dollars in thousands)*

	<b>2003</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2001</b>
<b>Operating activities</b>			
Net income	\$ 105,175	\$ 45,643	\$ 43,576
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities			
Net amortization of security premiums	6,682	3,605	1,289
Amortization of goodwill	-	-	3,785
(Benefit) provision for deferred federal income taxes	22,618	(10,420)	11,036
Net realized gains on investments	(2,092)	(6,888)	(10,203)
Cumulative effect of adopting a new accounting standard, net	-	-	22,800
Change in fair value of derivative financial instrument	(48,541)	36,998	(5,051)
Change in deferred acquisition costs	(11,042)	(8,212)	(7,011)
Change in accrued investment income	(1,893)	(548)	916
Change in premiums receivable, net	557	(8,584)	(18,334)
Change in prepaid reinsurance premiums	44,672	(16,401)	(18,997)
Change in unearned premium reserves	36,476	28,600	30,333
Change in reserve for losses and loss adjustment expenses	45,718	(1,513)	9,848
Other	(7,601)	9,472	1,646
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>190,729</u>	<u>71,752</u>	<u>65,633</u>
<b>Investing activities</b>			
Fixed maturity securities available-for-sale:			
Purchases	(408,660)	(667,060)	(876,701)
Sales	240,401	577,428	839,921
(Purchases) sales of short-term investments, net	(2,694)	19,709	(8,571)
Other, net	<u>3,000</u>	<u>8,712</u>	<u>(15,903)</u>
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(167,953)</u>	<u>(61,211)</u>	<u>(61,254)</u>
<b>Financing activities</b>			
Dividends paid	<u>(10,000)</u>	<u>(8,000)</u>	<u>(5,500)</u>
Net cash used in financing activities	<u>(10,000)</u>	<u>(8,000)</u>	<u>(5,500)</u>
Increase (decrease) in cash	12,776	2,541	(1,121)
Effect of exchange rate changes	2,152	260	(12)
Cash beginning of year	<u>3,081</u>	<u>280</u>	<u>1,413</u>
Cash end of year	<u>\$ 18,009</u>	<u>\$ 3,081</u>	<u>\$ 280</u>
<b>Supplementary cash flow information</b>			
Income taxes paid	\$ 16,443	\$ 10,796	\$ 7,250

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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**1. Organization and Business**

ACE Guaranty Corp. (formerly known as ACE Guaranty Re Inc.), (the "Company") is a Maryland domiciled company, which commenced operations in January 1988 and provides insurance and reinsurance of investment grade financial guaranty exposures, including municipal and nonmunicipal reinsurance, credit default swap ("CDS") transactions as well as trade credit and related reinsurance. The Company has financial strength ratings of AAA and Aa2 as of December 31, 2003 from Standard & Poor's Rating Service ("S&P") and Moody's Investor Services, Inc. ("Moody's"), respectively, and is licensed in 30 jurisdictions. The Company owns 100% of ACE Risk Assurance Company, a Maryland domiciled company.

As of December 31, 2003, the Company was an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of ACE Limited ("ACE"), a holding company incorporated with limited liability under Cayman Islands Companies Law. However, on April 28, 2004, subsidiaries of ACE completed an initial public offering ("IPO") of 49,000,000 common shares of their wholly owned subsidiary and parent of the Company, Assured Guaranty Ltd. ("Assured Guaranty"). Assured Guaranty's common shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol AGO. This offering raised approximately \$840.1 million in net proceeds, all of which went to the selling shareholders. As a result of the IPO, we implemented a new underwriting strategy. As part of this strategy, we have exited certain lines of business, including trade credit. The Company was renamed Assured Guaranty Corp. upon completion of the IPO.

**2. Significant Accounting Policies**

**Basis of Presentation**

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly-owned subsidiary, ACE Risk Assurance Company, after elimination of inter-company accounts and transactions. Certain items in the prior years' financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the current year presentation.

The financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"), which requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Premium Revenue Recognition**

Premiums are received either upfront or in installments. Upfront premiums are earned in proportion to the expiration of the amount at risk. Each installment premium is earned ratably over its installment period, generally one year or less. For insured bonds for which the par value outstanding is declining during the insurance period, upfront premium earnings are greater in the earlier periods thus matching revenue recognition with the underlying risk. The premiums are allocated in accordance with the principal amortization schedule of the related bond issue and are earned ratably over the amortization period. When an insured issue is retired early, is called by the issuer, or is in substance paid in advance through a refunding accomplished by placing U.S. Government securities in escrow, the remaining unearned premium reserve is earned at that time. Unearned premium reserve represents the portion of premiums written that is applicable to the unexpired amount at risk of insured bonds.

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Due to the customary lag (ranging from 30 to 90 days) in reporting premium data by some of the ceding companies, the Company must estimate the ultimate written and earned premiums to be received from a ceding company as of each balance sheet date for the reinsurance business. Actual written premiums reported in the statements of operations are based upon reports received by ceding companies supplemented by the Company's own estimates of premium for which ceding company reports have not yet been received. Differences between such estimates and actual amounts are recorded in the period in which the actual amounts are determined. Based on historical write-off percentages, the Company has not established an allowance for doubtful accounts for its premiums receivable as of December 31, 2003 or 2002.

**Investments**

The Company accounts for its investments in fixed maturity securities in accordance with the Financial Accounting Standard Board's ("FASB") Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("FAS") No. 115, "Accounting for Certain Investments in Debt and Equity Securities" ("FAS 115"). Management determines the appropriate classification of securities at the time of purchase. As of December 31, 2003 and 2002, all investments in fixed maturity securities were designated as available-for-sale and are carried at fair value. The fair values of all investments are calculated from independent market quotations.

The amortized cost of fixed maturity securities is adjusted for amortization of premiums and accretion of discount computed using the effective interest method. That amortization or accretion is included in net investment income. For mortgage-backed securities, and any other holdings for which there is prepayment risk, prepayment assumptions are evaluated and revised as necessary. Any necessary adjustments required due to the resulting change in effective yields and maturities are recognized prospectively in current income.

Realized gains and losses on sales of investments are determined using the specific identification method. Unrealized gains and losses on investments, net of applicable deferred income taxes, are included in accumulated other comprehensive income in stockholder's equity. The Company has a formal review process for all securities in its investment portfolio, including a review for impairment losses. Factors considered when assessing impairment include:

- a decline in the market value of a security by 20% or more below amortized cost for a continuous period of at least six months;
- a decline in the market value of a security for a continuous period of 12 months;
- recent credit downgrades of the applicable security or the issuer by rating agencies;
- the financial condition of the applicable issuer;
- whether scheduled interest payments are past due; and
- whether the Company has the ability and intent to hold the security for a sufficient period of time to allow for anticipated recoveries in fair value.

If the Company believes a decline in the value of a particular investment is temporary, the decline is recorded as an unrealized loss on the balance sheet in "accumulated other comprehensive income" in stockholders equity. If the Company believes the decline is "other

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than temporary," the Company will write down the carrying value of the investment and record a realized loss in the statement of operations. The assessment of a decline in value includes management's current assessment of the factors noted above. If that assessment changes in the future, the Company may ultimately record a loss after having originally concluded that the decline in value was temporary. The Company had no writedown of securities for other than temporary declines during 2003, 2002 or 2001.

Short-term investments are recorded at cost, which approximates fair value. Short-term investments are those with original maturities of greater than three months but less than one year from date of purchase.

**Cash and Cash Equivalents**

The Company classifies demand deposits as cash. Cash equivalents are short-term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

**Deferred Acquisition Costs**

Acquisition costs incurred, that vary with and are directly related to the production of new business, are deferred. These costs include direct and indirect expenses such as commissions, brokerage expenses and costs of underwriting and marketing personnel. The Company's management uses judgment in determining what types of costs should be deferred, as well as what percentage of these costs should be deferred. The Company periodically conducts a study to determine which operating costs vary with, and are directly related to, the acquisition of new business and qualify for deferral. Acquisition costs other than those associated with the credit derivative products are deferred and amortized in relation to earned premiums. Ceding commissions received on premiums ceded to other reinsurers reduce acquisition costs. Anticipated losses, loss adjustment expenses and the remaining costs of servicing the insured or reinsured business are considered in determining the recoverability of acquisition costs. The Company regularly conducts reviews for potential premium deficiencies. There were no premium deficiencies for any of the reported years as the sum of anticipated losses, loss adjustment expenses and the remaining costs of servicing the insured or reinsured did not exceed the related unearned premium. Acquisition costs associated with credit derivative products are expensed as incurred.

**Reserve for Losses and Loss Adjustment Expenses**

Reserve for loss and loss adjustment expenses ("LAE") includes case reserves, incurred but not reported reserves ("IBNR") and portfolio reserves.

Case reserves are established when specific insured obligations are in or near default. Case reserves represent the present value of expected future loss payments and LAE, net of estimated recoveries but before considering ceded reinsurance. Financial guaranty insurance and reinsurance case reserves are discounted at 6.0%, which is the approximate taxable equivalent yield on the investment portfolio in all periods presented.

IBNR is an estimate of the amount of losses when the insured event has occurred but the claim has not yet been reported to the Company. In establishing IBNR, the Company uses traditional actuarial methods to estimate the reporting lag of such claims based on historical experience, claim reviews and information reported by ceding companies.

In addition to IBNR, the Company records portfolio reserves for financial guaranty insurance and reinsurance, and credit derivative business. Portfolio reserves are established with respect to the portion of the Company's business for which case reserves have not been



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established. Portfolio reserves are established in an amount equal to the portion of actuarially estimated ultimate losses related to premiums earned to date as a percentage of total expected premiums for that in-force business. Actuarially estimated ultimate losses on financial guaranty exposures are developed considering the net par outstanding of each insured obligation, taking account of the probability of future default, the expected timing of the default and expected recovery following default. These factors vary by type of issue (for example, municipal, structured finance or corporate), current credit rating and remaining term of the underlying obligation and are principally based on historical data obtained from rating agencies. During an accounting period, portfolio reserves principally increase or decrease based on changes in the aggregate net amount at risk and the probability of default resulting from changes in credit quality of insured obligations, if any.

The Company updates its estimates of loss and LAE reserves quarterly. Loss assumptions used in computing losses and LAE reserves are periodically updated for emerging experience, and any resulting changes in reserves are recorded as a charge or credit to earnings in the period such estimates are changed. Due to the inherent uncertainties of estimating loss and LAE reserves, specifically for the high severity, low frequency financial guaranty business that the Company writes, actual experience may differ from the estimates reflected in our consolidated financial statements, and the differences may be material.

**Reinsurance**

In the ordinary course of business, the Company assumes and retrocedes business with other insurance and reinsurance companies. These agreements provide greater diversification of business and may minimize the net potential loss from large risks. Reinsurance contracts do not relieve the Company of its obligation to the reinsured. Reinsurance recoverable on ceded losses includes balances due from reinsurance companies for paid and unpaid losses and LAE that will be recovered from reinsurers, based on contracts in force, and is presented net of any provision for estimated uncollectible reinsurance. Any change in the provision for uncollectible reinsurance is included in loss and loss adjustment expenses. Prepaid reinsurance premiums represent the portion of premiums ceded to reinsurers relating to the unexpired terms of the reinsurance contracts in force.

Certain of the Company's assumed and ceded reinsurance contracts are funds held arrangements. In a funds held arrangement, the ceding company retains the premiums instead of paying them to the reinsurer and losses are offset against these funds in an experience account. Because the reinsurer is not in receipt of the funds, the reinsurer earns interest on the experience account balance at a predetermined credited rate of interest. The Company generally earns interest at fixed rates of between 4% and 6% on its assumed funds held arrangements and generally pays interest at fixed rates of between 4% and 6% on its ceded funds held arrangements. The interest earned or credited on funds held arrangements is included in net investment income. In addition, interest on funds held arrangements will continue to be earned or credited until the experience account is fully depleted, which can extend many years beyond the expiration of the coverage period.

**Goodwill**

Goodwill of \$94.6 million arose from ACE's acquisition of the Company as of December 31, 1999 and was being amortized over a period of twenty-five years. Beginning January 1, 2002, goodwill is no longer amortized, but rather is evaluated for impairment at least annually. Management has determined that goodwill is not impaired at December 31, 2003.

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The following table reconciles reported net income to adjusted net income excluding goodwill amortization.

<i>(in thousands)</i>	<b>For the Years Ended December 31,</b>		
	<b>2003</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2001</b>
Reported net income	\$ 105,175	\$ 45,643	\$ 43,576
Add back: goodwill amortization	-	-	3,785
Adjusted net income	<u>\$ 105,175</u>	<u>\$ 45,643</u>	<u>\$ 47,361</u>

The following table details goodwill by segment as of December 31, 2003 and 2002:

<i>(in thousands)</i>	
Financial guaranty direct	\$ 14,748
Financial guaranty reinsurance	70,669
Mortgage guaranty	-
Other	1,645
	<u>\$ 87,062</u>

**Income Taxes**

In accordance with FAS No. 109, "Accounting for Income Taxes", deferred income taxes are provided for with respect to the temporary differences between the financial statement carrying amounts and tax bases of assets and liabilities, using enacted rates in effect for the year in which the differences are expected to reverse. Such temporary differences relate principally to deferred acquisition costs, reserve for losses and LAE, unearned premium reserve, unrealized gains and losses on investments, unrealized gains and losses on derivative financial instruments and statutory contingency reserve.

**Stock Based Compensation**

Stock based compensation is based on ACE stock. The Company accounts for stock-based compensation plans in accordance with APB No. 25. No compensation expense for options is reflected in net income, as all options granted under the plan had an exercise price equal to the market value of the underlying common stock on the date of the grant. Pro forma information regarding net income is required by FAS No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation." In December 2002, FASB issued FAS No. 148, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation—Transition and Disclosure." FAS 148 amends the disclosure requirements of FAS 123 to require prominent disclosure in financial statements regarding the method of accounting for stock-based compensation and the effect of the method used on reported results.

For restricted stock awards, the Company records the market value of the shares awarded at the time of the grant as unearned stock grant compensation and includes it as a separate component of stockholder's equity. The unearned stock grant compensation is amortized into income ratably over the vesting period.

The following table outlines the Company's net income for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, had the compensation cost been determined in accordance with the fair value method recommended in FAS 123.

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<i>(in thousands)</i>	<b>For the Years Ended December 31,</b>		
	<b>2003</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2001</b>
Net income as reported	\$ 105,175	\$ 45,643	\$ 43,576
Add: Stock-based compensation expense included in reported net income, net of income tax	811	517	213
Deduct: Compensation expense, net of income tax	2,260	1,629	621
Pro Forma	<u>\$ 103,726</u>	<u>\$ 44,531</u>	<u>\$ 43,168</u>

The fair value of ACE options issued is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model, with the following weighted-average assumptions used for grants in 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively: dividend yield of 2.4%, 1.43%, and 1.65%; expected volatility of 32.4%, 35.2%, and 42.8%; risk free interest rate of 2.4%, 4.01%, and 4.84% and an expected life of four years for each year.

### **3. Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

In May 2003, Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued FAS No. 150, "Accounting for Certain Financial Instruments with Characteristics of both Liabilities and Equity" ("FAS 150"), which establishes standards for classifying and measuring certain financial instruments with characteristics of both liabilities and equity. FAS 150 requires the classification of a financial instrument that is within its scope as a liability (or an asset in some circumstances). FAS 150 is effective for financial instruments entered into or modified after May 31, 2003, and otherwise is effective at the beginning of the first interim period beginning after June 15, 2003. The adoption of FAS 150 had no impact on the consolidated financial statements.

In April 2003, the FASB issued FAS No. 149, "Amendment of FASB Statement No. 133 on Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities." This statement amends and clarifies financial accounting and reporting for derivative instruments, including certain derivative instruments embedded in other contracts (collectively referred to as derivatives) and for hedging activities under FAS No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities." This statement improves financial reporting by requiring that contracts with comparable characteristics be accounted for similarly. For example, this statement requires that financial guaranty insurance, for which the underlying risk is linked to a derivative, be accounted for as a derivative. This statement is effective for contracts entered into or modified after June 30, 2003, except for the provisions of this Statement that relate to FAS No. 133 implementation issues that have been effective for fiscal quarters that began prior to June 15, 2003, and for hedging relationships designated after June 30, 2003. All provisions are to be applied prospectively, except for the provisions of this Statement that relate to FAS No. 133 implementation issues that have been effective for fiscal quarters that began prior to June 15, 2003. These provisions are to be applied in accordance with their respective effective dates. The adoption of FAS 149 did not have a material impact on the consolidated financial statements.

In January 2003, the FASB issued FAS Interpretation No. 46, "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities" ("FIN 46"), as an interpretation of Accounting Research Bullet No. 51, "Consolidated Financial Statements." FIN 46 addresses consolidation of variable interest

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entities (VIEs) by business enterprises. An entity is considered a VIE subject to consolidation if the equity investment at risk is not sufficient to permit the entity to finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support or if the equity investors lack one of three characteristics of a controlling financial interest. First, the equity investors lack the ability to make decisions about the entity's activities through voting rights or similar rights. Second, they do not bear the obligation to absorb the expected losses of the entity if they occur. Lastly, they do not claim the right to receive expected returns of the entity if they occur, which are the compensation for the risk of absorbing the expected losses. FIN 46 requires that VIEs be consolidated by the entity that maintains the majority of the risks and rewards of ownership. This Interpretation applies immediately to VIEs created after January 31, 2003 and to VIEs in which an enterprise obtains an interest after that date. FASB deferred the effective date of FIN 46 until the end of the first interim or annual period ending after December 15, 2003 for VIEs created before February 1, 2003. The adoption of FIN 46 had no impact on the consolidated financial statements.

#### **4. Derivatives**

The Company adopted FAS No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities" ("FAS 133"), which established accounting and reporting standards for derivative instruments, including certain derivative instruments embedded in other contracts (collectively referred to as derivatives), and for hedging activities as of January 1, 2001. FAS 133 requires that an entity recognize all derivatives as either assets or liabilities in the consolidated balance sheets and measure those instruments at fair value. If certain conditions are met, a derivative may be specifically designated as a fair value, cash flow or foreign currency hedge. The accounting for changes in the fair value of a derivative depends on the intended use of the derivative and the resulting designation. The Company had no derivatives that were designated as hedges during 2003, 2002 and 2001.

Certain products (principally credit protection oriented) issued by the Company have been deemed to meet the definition of a derivative under FAS 133. These products consist primarily of credit derivatives. In addition, the Company issued a few index-based derivative financial instruments. The Company uses derivative instruments primarily to offer credit protection to others. Effective January 1, 2001, the Company records these transactions at fair value. Where available; we use quoted market prices to fair value these insured credit derivatives. If quoted prices are not available, particularly for senior layer collateralized debt obligations ("CDO") and equity layer credit protection, the fair value is estimated using valuation models for each type of credit protection. These models may be developed by third parties, such as rating agency models, or may be developed internally, depending on the circumstances. These models and the related assumptions are continually reevaluated by management and enhanced, as appropriate, based upon improvements in modeling techniques and availability of more timely market information. The fair value of derivative financial instruments reflects the estimated cost to the Company to purchase protection on its outstanding exposures and is not an estimate of expected losses incurred. Due to the inherent uncertainties of the assumptions used in the valuation models to determine the fair value of these derivative products, actual experience may differ from the estimates reflected in our consolidated financial statements, and the differences may be material.

The Company records premiums received from the issuance of derivative instruments in gross written premiums and establishes unearned premium reserves and loss reserves. These loss reserves represent the Company's best estimate of the probable losses expected under these contracts. Unrealized gains and losses on derivative financial instruments are computed

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as the difference between fair value and the total of the unearned premium reserves, losses and LAE reserve, premiums receivable, prepaid reinsurance premiums and reinsurance recoverable on ceded losses. Changes in unrealized gains and losses on derivative financial instruments are reflected in the statement of operations. Cumulative unrealized gains and losses are reflected as assets and liabilities, respectively, in the Company's balance sheets. Unrealized gains and losses resulting from changes in the fair value of derivatives occur because of changes in interest rates, credit spreads, recovery rates, the credit ratings of the referenced entities and other market factors. In the event that we terminate a derivative contract prior to maturity as a result of a decision to exit a line of business or for risk management purposes, the unrealized gain or loss will be realized through premiums earned and losses incurred.

As of January 1, 2001, the Company recorded an expense related to the cumulative effect of adopting FAS 133 of \$22.8 million, net of applicable deferred income tax benefit of \$12.3 million.

The Company recorded a pretax net unrealized gain on derivative financial instruments of \$48.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2003, a pretax net unrealized loss on derivative financial instruments of \$37.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2002 and a pretax net unrealized gain on derivative financial instruments of \$5.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2001.

The following table summarizes activities related to derivative financial instruments (dollars in thousands of U.S. dollars):

<b>Balance sheets as of December 31,</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2002</b>	
<b>Assets</b>			
Prepaid reinsurance premiums	\$ 271	\$ 387	
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Unearned premium reserve	7,078	6,559	
Reserve for losses and LAE	15,500	2,452	
Unrealized losses on derivative financial instruments	18,482	67,023	
Net liability - fair value of derivative financial instruments	<u>\$ 40,789</u>	<u>\$ 75,647</u>	
<b>Statements of operations for the years ended December 31,</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2001</b>
Net written premiums	\$ 39,573	\$ 13,714	\$ 3,981
Net premiums earned	38,936	10,820	1,959
Loss and loss adjustment expenses	(11,714)	(131,162)	(2,355)
Unrealized gains (losses) on derivative financial instruments	48,541	(36,998)	5,051
Total impact of derivative financial instruments	<u>\$ 75,763</u>	<u>\$ (157,340)</u>	<u>\$ 4,655</u>

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**5. Statutory Accounting Practices**

These financial statements are prepared on a GAAP basis, which differs in certain respects from accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the insurance regulatory authorities, including the Maryland Insurance Department.

Statutory capital and surplus as of December 31, 2003 and 2002 was \$255.6 million and \$287.0 million, respectively. Statutory net income for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001 was \$66.7 million, \$46.3 million and \$45.0 million, respectively.

There are no permitted accounting practices on a statutory basis.

**6. Insurance in Force – Financial Guaranty**

At December 31, 2003 and 2002, net financial guaranty par in force including insured credit default swaps ("CDS") was approximately \$78.4 billion and \$72.3 billion, respectively. The portfolio was broadly diversified by payment source, geographic location and maturity schedule, with no single risk representing more than 1.2% of the total net par in force. The composition by sector was as follows:

<b>Sectors</b>	<b>Net Par in Force</b>	
	<b>December 31,</b>	
	<b>2003</b>	<b>2002</b>
<i>(dollars in billions)</i>		
<b>Municipal Exposure</b>		
Tax-backed	\$19.4	\$18.2
Municipal utilities	9.9	9.1
Healthcare	5.6	5.6
Special revenue	8.1	7.7
Structured municipal	2.5	2.6
Other municipals	2.2	2.1
Total Municipal	<u>\$47.7</u>	<u>\$45.3</u>
<b>Non-Municipal Exposure</b>		
Collateralized debt obligations	\$13.7	\$10.2
Consumer receivables	8.3	7.8
Single name corporate CDS	2.3	4.2
Commercial receivables	5.1	3.4
Other structured finance	1.3	1.4
Total Non-Municipal	<u>\$ 30.7</u>	<u>\$ 27.0</u>
Total Exposure	<u>\$ 78.4</u>	<u>\$ 72.3</u>

Maturities for municipal obligations range from 1 to 30 years, with the typical life in the 12 to 15 year range. Non-municipal transactions have legal maturities that range from 1 to 30 years with a typical life of 5 to 7 years. Maturities on single name corporate CDSs range from 1 to 5 years with an average remaining maturity of 1.7 years as of December 31, 2003.

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The portfolio contained exposures in each of the 50 states and abroad. The distribution of net financial guaranty par outstanding by geographic location is set forth in the following table:

	<b>As of December 31, 2003</b>		<b>As of December 31, 2002</b>	
	<b>Net Par Outstanding</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Net Par Outstanding</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Domestic</b>				
California	\$6.4	8.2%	\$6.1	8.5%
New York	4.8	6.1%	4.6	6.3%
Texas	3.1	4.0%	3.0	4.2%
Illinois	2.6	3.3%	2.6	3.6%
Florida	2.6	3.3%	2.8	3.9%
New Jersey	2.1	2.6%	2.0	2.8%
Pennsylvania	2.0	2.6%	2.1	3.0%
Massachusetts	1.8	2.3%	1.8	2.5%
Puerto Rico	1.7	2.2%	1.4	1.9%
Washington	1.4	1.8%	1.3	1.8%
Ohio	1.1	1.4%	1.2	1.6%
Other - Muni	16.1	20.6%	14.4	20.0%
Other Non Muni	27.1	34.5%	25.1	34.7%
Total domestic exposures	72.8	92.9%	68.4	94.8%
<b>International</b>				
United Kingdom	2.4	3.1%	1.5	2.1%
Italy	0.4	0.5%	0.2	0.2%
Australia	0.4	0.5%	0.1	0.1%
France	0.3	0.4%	0.3	0.4%
Brazil	0.3	0.4%	0.2	0.2%
Japan	0.2	0.3%	0.5	0.7%
Other	1.6	1.9%	1.1	1.5%
Total international exposures	5.6	7.1%	3.9	5.2%
Total exposures	\$78.4	100.0%	\$72.3	100.0%

The following table sets forth the financial guaranty in-force portfolio by underwriting rating:

	<b>As of December 31, 2003</b>		<b>As of December 31, 2002</b>	
	<b>Net Par Outstanding</b>	<b>% Total Net Par Outstanding</b>	<b>Net Par Outstanding</b>	<b>% Total Net Par Outstanding</b>
<b>Ratings</b>				
AAA	\$22.2	28.4%	\$16.1	22.3%
AA	16.1	20.6%	14.1	19.5%
A	27.1	34.6%	30.4	42.0%
BBB	11.5	14.6%	11.1	15.3%
Below investment grade	1.5	1.8%	0.6	0.9%
Total exposures	\$78.4	100.0%	\$72.3	100.0%

As part of its financial guaranty business, the Company insures CDS transactions written by its affiliate AGR Financial Products, whereby one party pays a periodic fee in fixed basis points on a notional amount in return for a contingent payment by the other party in the event

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one or more defined credit events occurs with respect to one or more third party reference securities or loans. A credit event may be a nonpayment event such as a failure to pay, bankruptcy, or restructuring, as negotiated by the parties to the CDS transaction. The total notional amount of insured investment grade CDS exposure outstanding at December 31, 2003 and 2002 and included in the Company's financial guaranty exposure was \$19.5 billion and \$17.0 billion, respectively.

**7. Investments in Securities**

The following summarizes the Company's aggregate investment portfolio at December 31, 2003:

	<b>Amortized Cost</b>	<b>Gross Unrealized Gains</b>	<b>Gross Unrealized Losses</b>	<b>Estimated Fair Value</b>
<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>				
Fixed maturity securities available for sale				
U.S. Treasury securities and obligations of U.S. government agencies	\$ 47,975	\$ 1,986	\$ -	\$ 49,961
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	701,988	59,204	693	760,499
Corporate Securities	98,660	5,615	507	103,768
Mortgage-backed securities	192,258	4,191	649	195,800
Asset-backed securities	16,163	558	26	16,695
Total available-for-sale	1,057,044	71,554	1,875	1,126,723
Short-term investments	55,078	-	-	55,078
Total investments	<u>\$1,112,122</u>	<u>\$ 71,554</u>	<u>\$ 1,875</u>	<u>\$ 1,181,801</u>

The following summarizes the Company's aggregate investment portfolio at December 31, 2002:

	<b>Amortized Cost</b>	<b>Gross Unrealized Gains</b>	<b>Gross Unrealized Losses</b>	<b>Estimated Fair Value</b>
<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>				
Fixed maturity securities available for sale				
U.S. Treasury securities and obligations of U.S. government agencies	\$ 73,000	\$ 4,936	\$ -	\$ 77,936
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	543,122	47,573	53	590,642
Corporate securities	69,426	6,247	1	75,672
Mortgage-backed securities	181,675	5,110	38	186,747
Asset-backed securities	29,152	919	11	30,060
Total available-for-sale	896,375	64,785	103	961,057
Short-term investments	52,384	-	-	52,384
Total investments	<u>\$ 948,759</u>	<u>\$ 64,785</u>	<u>\$ 103</u>	<u>\$ 1,013,441</u>

The amortized cost and estimated fair value of fixed maturity securities available-for-sale at December 31, 2003, by contractual maturity, are shown below. Expected maturities will differ from contractual maturities because borrowers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties.



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	<b>Amortized Cost</b>	<b>Estimated Fair Value</b>
<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>		
<b>Maturity</b>		
Due within one year	\$ 14,098	\$ 14,190
Due in 2005-2008	100,587	103,394
Due in 2009-2013	168,524	181,600
Due after 2013	581,577	631,739
Mortgage-backed securities	192,258	195,800
	<u>\$ 1,057,044</u>	<u>\$ 1,126,723</u>

Realized gains and (losses) were as follows:

	<b>Years Ended December 31,</b>		
<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2001</b>
<b>Fixed maturities</b>			
Gains	\$ 2,791	\$ 7,915	\$20,335
Losses	(699)	(1,027)	(10,132)
	<u>2,092</u>	<u>6,888</u>	<u>10,203</u>
Fair value adjustment on derivative financial instruments	48,541	(36,998)	5,051
Net realized (losses) gains	<u>\$50,633</u>	<u>\$(30,110)</u>	<u>\$15,254</u>

None of the realized losses in 2003, 2002 or 2001 were from other than temporary declines in a securities fair value.

Approximately 16.6% of the Company's total investment portfolio at December 31, 2003 was composed of mortgage-backed securities ("MBS"), including collateralized mortgage obligations and commercial mortgage-backed securities. Of the securities in the MBS portfolio, approximately 84.1% were backed by agencies or entities sponsored by the U.S. government. As of December 31, 2003, the weighted average credit quality of the Company's entire investment portfolio was AA+.

The following table summarizes, for all securities in an unrealized loss position at December 31, 2003, the aggregate fair value and gross unrealized loss by length of time the amounts have continuously been in an unrealized loss position.

	<b>Less than 12 Months</b>	
<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	<b>Fair Value</b>	<b>Unrealized Loss</b>
U.S. Treasury securities and obligations of U.S. government agencies	\$ -	\$ -
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	50,337	(699)
Corporate securities	31,348	(501)
Mortgage-backed securities	55,832	(649)
Asset-backed securities	3,208	(26)
Total	<u>\$ 140,725</u>	<u>\$ (1,875)</u>

Included above are 44 fixed maturity securities. The Company has considered factors such as sector credit ratings and industry analyst reports in evaluating the above securities for

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impairment and has concluded that these securities are not other than temporarily impaired as of December 31, 2003. As of December 31, 2003, no investments were in a continuous unrealized loss position for greater than 12 months.

Net investment income is derived from the following sources:

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	<b>Years Ended December 31,</b>		
	<b>2003</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2001</b>
Income from fixed maturity securities	\$47,422	\$46,648	\$43,738
Income from short-term investments	906	865	3,515
Total investment income	48,328	47,513	47,253
Less investment expenses	(1,172)	(783)	(766)
Net investment income	<u>\$47,156</u>	<u>\$46,730</u>	<u>\$46,487</u>

Under agreements with its cedents and in accordance with statutory requirements, the Company maintains fixed maturity securities in trust accounts for the benefit of reinsured companies and for the protection of policyholders, generally in states in which the Company or its subsidiaries, as applicable, are not licensed or accredited. The carrying amount of such restricted balances amounted to approximately \$63.9 million and \$62.4 million at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

As part of its insured CDS business, the Company is party to certain contractual agreements that require collateral to be posted for the benefit of either party depending on ratings of the parties to the agreement and mark-to-market movements relative to applicable specified thresholds of the insured swap transactions. As of December 31, 2003, the Company was not required to post collateral for the benefit of CDS customers.

The Company is not exposed to significant concentrations of credit risk within its investment portfolio.

No material investments of the Company were non-income producing for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002.

**8. Reserves for Unpaid Losses and Loss Adjustment Expenses**

The following table provides a reconciliation of the beginning and ending reserve balances for unpaid losses and LAE:

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<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	<b>Years Ended December 31,</b>		
	<b>2003</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2001</b>
Reserves for unpaid losses and LAE, net of related reinsurance recoverables, at beginning of year	\$ 63,736	\$ 70,076	\$ 64,833
<b>Add</b>			
Provision for unpaid losses and LAE for claims occurring in the current year, net of reinsurance	23,369	35,506	12,991
Increase (decrease) in estimated losses and LAE for claims occurring in prior years, net of reinsurance	33,337	(10,993)	(7,116)
Incurring losses during the current year, net of reinsurance	56,706	24,513	5,875
<b>Deduct</b>			
Losses and LAE payments (net of recoverables) for claims occurring in the current year	3,284	27,799	5,884
Income (losses) and LAE payments (net of recoverables) for claims occurring in the prior year	10,079	3,054	(5,252)
	<u>13,363</u>	<u>30,853</u>	<u>632</u>
Reserve for unpaid losses and LAE, net of related reinsurance recoverables, at end of year	107,079	63,736	70,076
Unrealized foreign exchange (gain) loss on reserve revaluation	3,180	805	(143)
Reinsurance recoverable on unpaid losses and LAE, at end of year	<u>—</u>	<u>11,420</u>	<u>588</u>
Reserve for unpaid losses and LAE, gross of reinsurance recoverables on unpaid losses at end of year	<u>\$ 110,259</u>	<u>\$ 75,961</u>	<u>\$ 70,521</u>

The prior year adverse development in 2003 of \$33.3 million in the provision for losses and LAE is due primarily to an increase in case activity on the structured finance line of business due to credit deterioration in collateralized debt obligations assumed through reinsurance treaties.

In 2002, the favorable prior year development of \$11.0 million in the provision for losses and LAE relates primarily to higher than previously estimated salvage on a non-municipal transaction and favorable development in the trade credit reinsurance line of business.

The favorable prior year development in 2001 of \$7.1 million in the provision for losses and LAE relates primarily to the favorable development of \$9.6 million in the credit derivative line of business.

## **9. Income Taxes**

ACE Financial Services Inc. ("AFS"), the Company's direct parent and its direct and indirect U.S. subsidiaries, ACE Guaranty Corp, ACE Risk Assurance Company, ACE Asset Management, AGR Financial Products and AFP Transferor Inc. prepare a consolidated federal income tax return with ACE Prime Holding Inc., an immediate owner of the Corporation. Each company pays its proportionate share of the consolidated federal tax burden, the proportion determined by reference to the amount a company would have been liable to pay, had such company filed on a separate return basis with current credit for net losses to the extent such losses are utilizable on a separate company basis. The Company's effective federal tax rate for 2003 is 29%.

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Reconciliation from the tax provision calculated at the federal statutory rate of 35% in 2003, 2002 and 2001 to the total tax is as follows:

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	<b>Years Ended December 31,</b>		
	<b>2003</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2001</b>
Tax provision at statutory rate	\$51,722	\$19,625	\$32,256
Tax-exempt interest	(8,990)	(8,297)	(7,053)
Other	(129)	(901)	582
Total federal income tax provision	<u>\$42,603</u>	<u>\$10,427</u>	<u>\$25,785</u>

The deferred federal income tax liability reflects the tax effect of the following temporary differences:

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	<b>Years Ended December 31,</b>	
	<b>2003</b>	<b>2002</b>
<b>Deferred tax assets</b>		
Portfolio reserves	\$ 16,835	\$ 15,243
Tax and loss bonds	16,071	16,071
Fair value of derivative financial instruments	6,469	23,458
Other	689	582
Total deferred tax assets	<u>40,064</u>	<u>55,354</u>
<b>Deferred tax liabilities</b>		
Deferred acquisition costs	51,424	47,559
Contingency reserve	28,124	28,124
Unearned premium revenue	14,063	10,600
Unrealized gain on fixed maturity securities available for sale	24,388	22,638
Total deferred tax liabilities	<u>117,999</u>	<u>108,921</u>
Net deferred liability for federal income taxes	<u>\$ 77,935</u>	<u>\$ 53,567</u>

Under the terms of the tax sharing agreement the Company's current income tax payable to AFS was \$6.4 million and \$8.5 million at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively. Income taxes paid in 2003, 2002 and 2001, were \$16.4 million, \$10.8 million and \$7.3 million, respectively.

## **10. Reinsurance**

To limit its exposure on assumed risks, the Company enters into certain proportional and non-proportional retrocessional agreements with other insurance companies, primarily ACE subsidiaries, that cede a portion of the risk underwritten to other insurance companies. In the event that any or all of the reinsurers are unable to meet their obligations, the Company would be liable for such defaulted amounts. Direct, assumed, and ceded reinsurance amounts were as follows:

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	<b>For the years ended December 31,</b>		
	<b>2003</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2001</b>
<b>Premiums written</b>			
Direct	\$ 40,992	\$ 16,419	\$ 1,829
Assumed	178,931	138,660	118,967
Ceded	36,623	(31,367)	(31,798)
Net	<u>\$ 256,546</u>	<u>\$ 123,712</u>	<u>\$ 88,998</u>
<b>Premiums earned</b>			
Direct	\$38,921	\$11,922	\$554
Assumed	144,526	114,557	89,909
Ceded	(8,049)	(14,966)	(12,801)
Net	<u>\$ 175,398</u>	<u>\$ 111,513</u>	<u>\$ 77,662</u>
<b>Loss and loss adjustment expenses</b>			
Direct	\$14,464	\$18,398	\$2,355
Assumed	45,081	17,454	4,121
Ceded	(2,839)	(11,339)	(601)
Net	<u>\$ 56,706</u>	<u>\$ 24,513</u>	<u>\$ 5,875</u>

Reinsurance recoverable on ceded unpaid losses and LAE as of December 31, 2002 was \$11.4 million. As of December 31, 2003 the Company had no reinsurance recoverable on ceded unpaid losses. See Note 12 for further information on ceded premiums.

## **11. Insurance Regulations**

Under Maryland's 1993 revised insurance law, the amount of surplus available for distribution as dividends is subject to certain statutory provisions, which generally prohibit the payment of dividends in any twelve-month period in an aggregate amount exceeding the lesser of 10% of surplus or net investment income (at the preceding December 31) without prior approval of the Maryland Commissioner of Insurance. The amount available for distribution from the Company during 2004 with notice to, but without prior approval of, the Maryland Commissioner of Insurance under the Maryland insurance law is approximately \$25.6 million. During the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, the Company paid \$10.0 million, \$8.0 million and \$5.5 million, respectively, in dividends to ACE Financial.

Going forward the Company has committed to S&P and Moody's that it will not pay more than \$10.0 million per year in dividends.

Under Maryland insurance regulations, the Company is required at all times to maintain a minimum surplus of \$750,000.

## **12. Intercompany Transactions**

### **Expense Sharing Agreements**

Effective October 2000, and amended January 1, 2003, the Company entered into an agreement with ACE Capital Re Overseas Ltd. ("ACRO"), an affiliate of the Company under common ownership of ACE pursuant to which certain expenses for employee salaries and shared resources such as office space, office supplies and management information system services are allocated to each company according to annual predetermined percentages. The percentages are determined based on each company's weighted average salary expense. For the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, the Company was paid \$9.6 million,

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\$9.2 million and \$6.2 million, respectively, under its expense sharing agreements. On January 1, 2003, the Company entered into a service agreement with ACE Asset Management Inc. ("AAM"). Under the agreement, AAM reimburses the Company for its direct expenses and a portion of office overhead expenses. In 2003, the Company was paid approximately \$1.0 million under its expense sharing agreement with AAM.

The Company is also party to various inter-company service agreements whereby it provides support services (credit analysis, surveillance, accounting, MIS, legal and administrative services) to certain affiliates. Under these agreements, the Company received \$1.3 million, \$1.1 million and \$0.3 million in service fee income for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively.

In addition to expense sharing agreements, the Company entered into an employee leasing agreement with ACE American Insurance Company ("ACE INA"), an affiliate. ACE INA is a Pennsylvania stock insurance company. Under the agreement, the Company provides staffing services to ACE INA. In return, the Company is reimbursed for compensation costs. For the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, the Company was paid approximately \$11.2 million, \$8.3 million and \$6.8 million, respectively, under leasing agreements.

Included in other assets in the balance sheets are \$4.5 million and \$5.0 million as of December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively, for intercompany receivables.

As of the IPO date, all of the above agreements have been terminated. New agreements are being finalized between the Company and other subsidiaries of Assured Guaranty that will become effective during 2004.

**Reinsurance Agreements**

In September 2001, the Company entered into an excess of loss reinsurance agreement with ACE Bermuda which was effective January 1, 2001. Under the terms of the agreement, the Company paid \$52.5 million in premium in two installments of \$27.5 million and \$25.0 million in September 2001 and March 2002, respectively, for a 10-year cover with a \$150.0 million limit. In June 2003, this agreement was canceled and the unearned premium of \$39.8 million, loss reserves of \$12.5 million and profit commission of \$1.5 million were returned to the Company. This agreement was not replaced with a third party reinsurance contract. The Company ceded losses of \$2.5 million and \$10.0 million in 2003 and 2002, respectively, under this cover.

The Company cedes business to affiliated entities under certain reinsurance agreements. Amounts deducted from the premiums, losses and commissions in 2003, 2002 and 2001 for reinsurance ceded to affiliates are reflected in the table below.

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2001</b>
<b>Ceded Activity</b>			
Written premium	\$(38,409)	\$28,327	\$29,982
Earned premium	4,715	9,111	8,227
Losses and LAE incurred	2,839	11,339	420
Commissions incurred	57	71	111
Unearned premium reserve	2,113	45,238	26,022
Unpaid losses and LAE	—	11,419	406

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The Company also writes business with affiliated entities under insurance and reinsurance agreements. The approximate amounts included in premiums, losses and commissions in 2003, 2002 and 2001 for business assumed from affiliates are reflected in the table below.

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2001</b>
<b>Gross Activity</b>			
Written premium	\$51,637	\$44,096	\$28,410
Earned premium	53,512	37,852	23,905
Losses and LAE incurred	701	22,449	4,139
Commissions incurred	1,340	626	35
Unearned premium reserve	9,920	11,796	4,376
Unpaid losses and LAE	—	10,849	5,651

**13. Commitments and Contingencies**

At December 31, 2003, future minimum rental payments under the terms of the Company's non-cancelable operating leases for office space are \$3.3 million for years 2004-2005, \$3.4 for the year 2006, \$3.3 million for years 2007-2008 and \$3.1 million in the aggregate thereafter. These payments are subject to escalations in building operating costs and real estate taxes. Rent expense amounted to approximately \$3.2 million in 2003 and \$2.5 million in 2002. Rent expense is shared with ACRO pursuant to the agreement discussed in Note 12.

Various lawsuits have arisen in the ordinary course of the Company's business. Contingent liabilities arising from litigation, income tax and other matters are not considered material in relation to the Company's financial position, results of operations or liquidity.

**14. Concentrations**

Of the Company's total gross premiums written for the year ended December 31, 2003, 27.7% and 16.0% came from Municipal Bond Investors Assurance Company and Financial Security Assurance, respectively, two of four monoline primary financial guaranty companies. The Company's client base includes all six monolines, many banks and several European insurance and reinsurance companies.

**15. Credit Facilities**

As of December 31, 2003, the Company had entered into the following credit facilities, which were available for general corporate purposes:

- (i) A liquidity facility established for the benefit of ACE and certain of its subsidiaries. The overall facility was a 364-day credit agreement in the amount of \$500.0 million with a syndicate of banks. The Company had a \$50.0 million participation in the facility. Due to the IPO, as of April 2, 2004, this facility was replaced.
- (ii) A 364-day credit agreement in the amount of \$140.0 million with a syndicate of the banks. Under the terms of this liquidity facility the Company would have been required to pledge collateral to one of the syndicate banks, if the amount of collateral posted for the benefit of the Company's credit default swap counterparties exceeded 11% of the Company shareholders' equity. In such case an amount equal to that excess was to have been pledged for the benefit of the syndicate banks. As of

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December 31, 2003, the Company had not posted any collateral under this covenant. Due to the IPO, as of April 28, 2004 this facility was replaced.

- (iii) A \$75.0 million line of credit facility and a \$50.0 million line of credit facility from subsidiaries of ACE. Due to the IPO, as of April 28, 2004 this facility was replaced.

As of December 31, 2003, the Company has not drawn any amounts under these credit facilities.

To replace the general corporate purpose credit facilities, Assured Guaranty entered into a \$250.0 million unsecured credit facility ("250.0 million credit facility") on April 29, 2004, with a syndicate of banks, for which ABN AMRO Incorporated and Bank of America (an affiliate of Banc of America Securities LLC) acted as co-arrangers to which each of Assured Guaranty, the Company and Assured Guaranty (UK) Ltd., a subsidiary of Assured Guaranty organized under the laws of the United Kingdom, is a party, as borrower. The 250.0 million credit facility is a 364-day day facility and any amounts outstanding under the facility at its expiration will be due and payable one year following the facility's expiration. Under the 250.0 million credit facility, the Company can borrow up to \$250.0 million, Assured Guaranty has a borrowing limit not to exceed \$50.0 million, and Assured Guaranty (UK) Ltd. has a borrowing limit not to exceed \$12.5 million.

As of December 31, 2003, the Company was party to a non-recourse credit facility with a syndicate of banks, which provided up to \$175.0 million. This facility was specifically designed to provide rating agency qualified capital to further support the Company's claim paying resources. This agreement is due to expire November 2010. As of December 31, 2003, the Company had not drawn any amounts under this credit facility.

## **16. Fair Value of Financial Instruments**

The following methods and assumptions were used by the Company in estimating its fair value disclosure for financial instruments. These determinations were made based on available market information and appropriate valuation methodologies. Considerable judgment is required to interpret market data to develop the estimates and therefore, they may not necessarily be indicative of the amount the Company could realize in a current market exchange.

### **Fixed Maturity Securities**

The fair value for fixed maturity securities shown in Note 7 is based on quoted market prices.

### **Cash and Short-Term Investments**

The carrying amount reported in the balance sheet for these instruments is cost, which approximates fair value due to the short-term maturity of these instruments.

### **Unearned Premium Reserve**

The fair value of the Company's unearned premium reserve is based on the estimated cost of entering into a cession of the entire portfolio with third party reinsurers under current market conditions. This figure was determined by using the statutory basis unearned premium reserve, net of deferred acquisition costs.



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**Financial Guaranty Installment Premiums**

The fair value is derived by calculating the present value of the estimated future cash flow stream discounted at 6.0%.

	<u>As of December 31, 2003</u>		<u>As of December 31, 2002</u>	
	<u>Carrying Amount</u>	<u>Estimated Fair Value</u>	<u>Carrying Amount</u>	<u>Estimated Fair Value</u>
<i>(In thousands of U.S. dollars)</i>				
<b>Assets</b>				
Fixed maturity securities	\$1,126,723	\$1,126,723	\$961,057	\$961,057
Cash and short-term investments	73,087	73,087	55,465	55,465
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Unearned premium reserve	389,027	347,178	352,551	259,237
Off-Balance Sheet Instruments				
Financial guaranty installment premiums	—	293,339	—	220,417

**17. Employee Benefit Plans**

**Defined Contribution Plan**

The Company maintains a savings incentive plan, which is qualified under Section 401K of the Internal Revenue Code. The savings incentive plan is available to all full-time employees with a minimum of six months of service. Eligible participants may contribute a percentage of their salary subject to a maximum of six months of service. Eligible participants may contribute at a rate of 100% up to 7% of the participant's compensation subject to certain limitations and vest at a rate of 33.3% per year starting with the second year of service. The Company contributed approximately \$0.5 million in 2003, \$0.4 million in 2002 and \$0.3 million in 2001.

**Profit Sharing Plan**

The Company maintains a profit sharing plan, which is available to all full-time employees with a minimum of six months of service. Annual contributions to the plan are at the discretion of the Board of Directors. The plan contains a qualified portion and a non-qualified portion. Total expense incurred under the plan amounted to approximately \$0.7 million in 2003, \$0.5 million in 2002, and \$0.3 million in 2001.

**18. Premiums Earned from Refunded and Called Bonds**

Premiums earned include \$18.6 million, \$12.6 million and \$4.3 million for 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively, related to refunded and called bonds.

**19. Segment Reporting**

The Company has three principal business segments: (1) financial guaranty direct, which includes transactions whereby the Company provides an unconditional and irrevocable guaranty that indemnifies the holder of a financial obligation against non-payment of principal and interest when due, and includes credit support for credit default swaps; (2) financial guaranty reinsurance, which includes agreements whereby the Company is a reinsurer and agrees to indemnify a primary insurance company against part or all of the loss which the latter may sustain under a policy it has issued; and (3) other, which includes trade

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credit reinsurance which the Company is no longer active and the impact of affiliate reinsurance transactions that were purchased by management for the benefit of all the Company's reporting segments.

The Company's reportable business segments are strategic business units that offer different products and services. They are managed separately since each business requires different marketing strategies and underwriting skill sets.

The Company does not segregate certain assets and liabilities at a segment level since management reviews and controls these assets and liabilities on a consolidated basis. The Company allocates certain operating expenses to each segment by identifying expenses related to staff that either directly acquire or service the business. The remaining expenses are generally allocated based on the expense ratios produced by the directly allocated expenses of these segments. Management uses underwriting gains and losses as the primary measure of each segment's financial performance.

The following table summarizes the components of underwriting gain (loss) for each reporting segment:

*(dollars in millions)*

	<b>Year ended December 31, 2003</b>			
	<b>Financial Guaranty Direct</b>	<b>Financial Guaranty Reinsurance</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Total</b>
Gross written premiums	\$ 52.4	\$ 122.8	\$ 44.7	\$ 219.9
Net written premiums	47.9	124.8	83.8	256.5
Net earned premiums	48.6	88.2	38.6	175.4
Loss and loss adjustment expenses	14.5	22.8	19.4	56.7
Acquisition costs	3.2	29.8	13.6	46.6
Operating expenses	14.3	8.6	1.4	24.3
Underwriting gain	<u>\$ 16.6</u>	<u>\$ 27.0</u>	<u>\$ 4.2</u>	<u>\$ 47.8</u>

*(dollars in millions)*

	<b>Year ended December 31, 2002</b>			
	<b>Financial Guaranty Direct</b>	<b>Financial Guaranty Reinsurance</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Total</b>
Gross written premiums	\$ 38.0	\$ 84.2	\$ 32.9	\$ 155.1
Net written premiums	36.7	81.5	5.5	123.7
Net premiums earned	34.5	70.0	7.0	111.5
Loss and loss adjustment expenses	18.4	8.5	(2.4)	24.5
Acquisition costs	1.3	23.2	8.9	33.4
Operating expenses	10.8	9.0	(4.6)	15.2
Underwriting gain	<u>\$ 4.0</u>	<u>\$ 29.3</u>	<u>\$ 5.1</u>	<u>\$ 38.4</u>

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	Year ended December 31, 2001			
	Financial Guaranty Direct	Financial Guaranty Reinsurance	Other	Total
Gross written premiums	\$ 30.7	\$ 86.7	\$ 3.4	\$ 120.8
Net written premiums	30.1	83.3	(24.4)	89.0
Net premiums earned	24.8	55.0	2.1	77.7
Loss and loss adjustment expenses	2.4	2.8	0.7	5.9
Acquisition costs	0.3	17.6	6.6	24.5
Operating expenses	8.6	10.7	(5.6)	13.7
Underwriting gain (loss)	<u>\$ 13.5</u>	<u>\$ 23.9</u>	<u>\$ (3.8)</u>	<u>\$ 33.6</u>

The following is a reconciliation of total underwriting gain to income before provision for income taxes for the years ended:

(dollars in millions)

	December 31, 2003		
	2003	2002	2001
Total underwriting gain	\$ 47.8	\$ 38.4	\$ 33.6
Net investment income	47.2	46.7	46.5
Net realized investment gains	2.1	6.9	10.2
Unrealized gains (loss) on derivative financial instruments	48.5	(37.0)	5.1
Other income	1.3	1.3	0.6
Goodwill amortization	—	—	(3.8)
Foreign exchange gains (losses)	0.9	(0.2)	—
Income before provision for income taxes	<u>\$ 147.8</u>	<u>\$ 56.1</u>	<u>\$ 92.2</u>

The following table provides the lines of businesses from which each of the Company's three reporting segments derive their net earned premiums:

(dollars in millions)

	Years ended December 31, 2003		
	2003	2002	2001
<b>Financial guaranty direct</b>			
Financial guaranty direct	\$ 48.6	\$ 34.5	\$ 24.8
<b>Financial guaranty reinsurance</b>			
Municipal finance	51.3	37.8	26.1
Structured finance	36.9	32.2	28.9
Total	<u>88.2</u>	<u>70.0</u>	<u>55.0</u>
<b>Other segment</b>			
Trade credit reinsurance	41.6	14.6	2.9
Affiliate reinsurance	(3.0)	(7.6)	(5.0)
Total	<u>\$ 38.6</u>	<u>\$ 7.0</u>	<u>\$ (2.1)</u>

The following table summarizes the Company's gross written premium by geographic region. Allocations have been made on the basis of location of risk.

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<i>(dollars in millions)</i>	<b>Years ended December 31, 2003</b>					
	<b>2003</b>		<b>2002</b>		<b>2001</b>	
North America	\$183.9	83.6%	\$132.9	85.7%	\$116.5	96.4%
United Kingdom	9.2	4.2%	7.2	4.6%	1.1	0.9%
Europe	26.2	11.9%	13.8	8.9%	2.9	2.4%
Australia	0.6	0.3%	1.2	0.8%	0.3	0.3%
Total	<u>\$219.9</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>\$155.1</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>\$120.8</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

**20. Subsequent Event**

Upon completion of the IPO, any unvested options to purchase ACE ordinary shares held by our officers or employees immediately vested and any unvested restricted ACE ordinary shares were forfeited. Our officers and employees have 90 days from the date of the IPO to exercise any vested options to acquire ACE ordinary shares. The acceleration of vesting of options to purchase ordinary shares resulted in a pre-tax charge to us of approximately \$1.4 million. Based upon a price of \$42.79 per ACE ordinary share, the Company incurred a pre-tax charge of \$3.1 million and contributed cash in the same amount to fund a trust, with an independent trustee, for the value of the restricted ACE ordinary shares forfeited by all of our officers and employees. These pre-tax charges took place during the second quarter of 2004. The trust purchased common shares of Assured Guaranty and allocated to each such individual common shares having the approximate value of the ACE ordinary shares forfeited by such individual. Based on Assured Guaranty's initial public offering price of \$18.00 per common share, the trust purchased approximately \$173,000 Assured Guaranty common shares on behalf of the Company. The common shares will be deliverable to each individual on the 18-month anniversary of the IPO so long as during that 18-month period the individual was not employed, directly or indirectly, by any designated financial guaranty company. Any forfeited common shares will be delivered to Assured Guaranty. The independent trustee will not have any beneficial interest in the trust. Since completion of the IPO, our officers and employees are no longer eligible to participate in the ACE long-term incentive plans. In connection with these events, the Company received \$2.5 million from ACE, for the book value of unrestricted compensation, which is recorded in unearned stock grant compensation, which is included in stockholder's equity.

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Consolidated GAAP Balance Sheets

September 30, 2004 (unaudited)

*(dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)*

	<b>As of</b>	
	<b>September 30,</b>	<b>December 31,</b>
	<b>2004</b>	<b>2003</b>
	<b>(Unaudited)</b>	
<b>Assets</b>		
Fixed maturity securities available for sale, at fair value	\$ 1,162,226	\$ 1,126,723
Short-term investments, at cost, which approximates market	47,100	55,078
<b>Total investments</b>	<b>1,209,326</b>	<b>1,181,801</b>
Cash	3,069	18,009
Accrued investment income	15,246	14,031
Deferred acquisition costs	146,752	146,926
Premium receivable	63,844	31,524
Prepaid reinsurance premiums	45,064	7,254
Reinsurance recoverable on ceded losses	30,939	-
Unrealized gains on derivative financial instruments	15,417	-
Goodwill	85,417	87,062
Other assets	10,430	14,946
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 1,625,504</b>	<b>\$ 1,501,553</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Unearned premium reserve	\$ 386,090	\$ 389,027
Reserve for losses and loss adjustment expenses	121,648	110,259
Reinsurance balances payable	61,392	10,237
Deferred federal income taxes payable	31,700	77,934
Current federal income taxes payable	12,600	6,389
Unrealized losses on derivative financial instruments	-	18,482
Other liabilities	33,189	12,495
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>646,619</b>	<b>624,823</b>
<b>Shareholder's equity</b>		
Common stock - \$720 par value per share in 2004 and 2003: 200,000 authorized, 20,834 issued and outstanding in 2004 and 2003	15,000	15,000
Additional paid-in capital	386,403	351,231
Accumulated other comprehensive income	42,313	45,284
Unearned stock grant compensation	(6,024)	(2,849)
Retained earnings	541,193	468,064
<b>Total shareholder's equity</b>	<b>978,885</b>	<b>876,730</b>
<b>Total liabilities and shareholder's equity</b>	<b>\$ 1,625,504</b>	<b>\$ 1,501,553</b>

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## Consolidated Statements of Operations

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004 (unaudited) and September 30, 2003 (unaudited)

*(dollars in thousands)*

	<b>September 30,</b>	
	<b>2004</b>	<b>2003</b>
<b><u>Revenues</u></b>		
Gross written premiums	\$ 131,847	\$ 170,865
Ceded premiums	(88,819)	36,806
Net written premiums	43,028	207,671
Decrease (increase) in unearned premium reserve	40,747	(77,224)
Net premiums earned	83,775	130,447
Net investment income	38,919	34,785
Net realized gains	419	2,213
Net unrealized gain on derivative financial instruments	33,899	17,831
Other income	-	1,024
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>157,012</b>	<b>186,300</b>
<b><u>Expenses</u></b>		
Loss and loss adjustment expenses	(1,217)	38,269
Acquisition costs	24,392	47,827
Decrease (increase) in deferred acquisition costs	897	(9,762)
Other operating expense	30,072	14,760
Goodwill impairment	1,645	-
Foreign exchange (gains) losses	(241)	(177)
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>55,548</b>	<b>90,917</b>
<b>Income before provision for federal income taxes</b>	<b>101,464</b>	<b>95,383</b>
<b>Provision for federal income taxes</b>		
Current income taxes	20,419	14,830
Deferred income taxes	7,914	11,895
<b>Total provision for federal income taxes</b>	<b>28,333</b>	<b>26,725</b>
<b>Net income</b>	<b>\$ 73,131</b>	<b>\$ 68,658</b>

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U.S.\$52,000,000 Class A-1a Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2017  
U.S.\$7,000,000 Class A-1b Fixed Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2017  
U.S.\$400,000,000 Class A-1g Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2017  
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INDENTURE, dated as of March 15, 2005, among SOUTHFORK CLO LTD. (the "**Issuer**"), SOUTHFORK CLO CORP. (the "**Co-Issuer**"), ASSURED GUARANTY CORP. (the "**Insurer**") and JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as trustee (together with its permitted successors, the "**Trustee**").

#### PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

The Co-Issuers are duly authorized to execute and deliver this Indenture to provide for the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes, the Class A-1g Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3a Notes, the Class A-3b Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes issuable as provided in this Indenture and the Issuer is duly authorized to execute and deliver this Indenture to provide for the Composite Securities issuable as provided in this Indenture. All covenants and agreements made by the Co-Issuers in this Indenture are for the benefit and security of the Secured Parties. Concurrently with the execution of this Indenture and the issuance of the Securities and subject to the terms and conditions contained in the Insurance Agreement, the Insurer will issue and deliver to and in favor of the Trustee for the benefit of each Holder of the Insured Notes, the Policy, which, subject to certain terms and conditions contained therein (including that the Policy is not terminated in accordance with the terms hereof), unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the Insured Amount to the Trustee for the benefit of the Holders of the Insured Notes to the extent such Insured Amounts become Due for Payment and are not paid as a result of Nonpayment by the Issuer. The Co-Issuers are entering into this Indenture, and the Trustee is accepting the trusts created by this Indenture, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged.

All things necessary to make this Indenture a valid agreement of the Co-Issuers in accordance with the agreement's terms have been done.

#### GRANTING CLAUSES

The Issuer Grants to the Trustee, for the benefit and security of the Noteholders, the Composite Securityholders, the Insurer, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager and each Hedge Counterparty (collectively, the "**Secured Parties**"), all of its right, title, and interest in, to, and under, in each case, whether now owned or existing, or hereafter acquired or arising:

(a) the Collateral Obligations (listed, as of the Closing Date, in Schedule 1 to this Indenture and as such Schedule 1 may be modified, amended and revised subsequent to the Closing Date by the Issuer) and all Workout Assets, including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles (as defined in the UCC) relating thereto, all payments made or to be made thereon or with respect thereto, and all Collateral Obligations and Workout Assets including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles (as defined in the UCC) relating thereto, which are delivered or credited to the Trustee, or for which a Security Entitlement is delivered or credited to the Trustee or which are credited to one or more of the Issuer Accounts on or after the Closing Date and all payments made or to be made thereon or with respect thereto;

(b) the Custodial Account, the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, and the Securities Lending Account (collectively, the "**Issuer Accounts**"),



Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, and all income from the investment of funds in the Issuer Accounts;

(c) the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account (and together with the Issuer Accounts, the "**Accounts**") and assets included therein, subject to the terms of the related Synthetic Security (provided, however, that any such rights in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee (or Securities Intermediary) first to secure the Issuer's payment obligations to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty and second for the benefit of the Secured Parties);

(d) the Management Agreement, the Securities Lending Agreements, the Hedge Agreements as set forth in Article 15, the Collateral Administration Agreement and, solely for the benefit of the Holders of the Class A-1g Notes only, the Insurance Documents to the extent of any rights of the Issuer therein;

(e) all Cash or money delivered to the Trustee (or its bailee);

(f) all securities, investments and agreements of any nature in which the Issuer has an interest (except for securities and investments in the Issuer's bank account in the Cayman Islands), including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles (as defined in the UCC) relating thereto; and

(g) all proceeds with respect to the foregoing;

(all of the property and assets described in foregoing clauses (a) through (g), but excluding the Class 1 Collateral (as defined below) and the Excluded Property, the "**Collateral**").

The Issuer as a second and separate grant Grants to the Trustee, for the benefit and security solely of the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities (solely to the extent of their Class 1 Component), all of its right, title and interest in, to and under, in each case, whether now owned or existing, or hereafter acquired or arising, the Class 1 Component Account and any property of any type deposited into the Class 1 Component Account and all proceeds with respect to the foregoing (all of the foregoing, the "**Class 1 Collateral**").

These Grants are not intended to and do not transfer any liability under the Collateral, which liabilities shall remain the sole obligation of the Issuer. These Grants are made, however, in trust as separate trusts, to secure the Notes and the Class 1 Components in the case of the first grant, and only the Class 1 Components in the case of the second grant. Except as provided in Article 13 and the priorities set forth in the Priority of Payments and Section 11.2, the Notes and the Class 1 Components are secured by the first grant equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction between any Note or Class 1 Component and any other Note or the Class 1 Component because of difference in time of issuance or otherwise. The Class 1 Components are secured by the second grant equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction because of difference in time of issuance or otherwise. The Grants are made to secure, in accordance with the priorities in the Priority of Payments, Article 13 and Article 11.2, as applicable:

(i) the payment of all amounts due on the Notes and the Class 1 Components equally and ratably without prejudice, priority, or distinction between any Note or Class 1 Component and any other Note or Class 1 Component because of difference in time of issuance or otherwise, in accordance with their terms;

(ii) the payment of all other sums payable under this Indenture (other than amounts payable in respect of the Preference Shares);

(iii) the payment of all obligations owing by the Issuer under the Insurance Documents; and

(iv) compliance with this Indenture;

(collectively, the "***Secured Obligations***"), all as provided in this Indenture.

The Trustee acknowledges the Grants, accepts the trusts under this Indenture in accordance with this Indenture, and agrees to perform its duties in this Indenture in accordance with the provisions hereof.

## ARTICLE 1

### DEFINITIONS

#### Section 1.1. ***Definitions.***

Except as otherwise specified in this Indenture or as the context may otherwise require, the following terms have the respective meanings provided below for all purposes of this Indenture. Payments or distributions made or to be made on the Composite Securities in respect of their Components are referred to as payments made or to be made on the Class 1 Components and the Preference Share Components, as the case may be.

Except as otherwise specified herein or as the context may otherwise require or dictate or unless the Composite Securities are explicitly addressed in the same context, (A) all references in this Indenture to the "Preference Shares" include the "Preference Share Component" of the Class 1 Composite Securities and (B) all references in this Indenture to the rights of the Holders of the Preference Shares (including with respect to any payments, distributions, redemptions, votes or consents to be given by such Holders) include the rights of the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities to the extent of the Preference Share Component of the Class 1 Composite Securities.

**"1940 Act"**: The United States Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

**"A/B Exchange"**: An exchange of one security (the "***A Security***") for another security (the "***B Security***") of the same issuer or issuers, which security shall have substantially identical terms to the A Security except that one or more transfer restrictions applicable to the A Security are inapplicable to the B Security.

**"Accounts"**: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Accountants' Certificate"**: An agreed upon procedures report of a firm of Independent certified public accountants of international reputation appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8(a), which may be the firm of Independent accountants that performs certain accounting services for the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager.

**"Accredited Investor"**: The meaning specified in Rule 501(a) of the Securities Act.

**"Accrued Insurance Liabilities"**: The meaning assigned to the term "Accrued Insurance Liabilities" in the Insurance Agreement.

**"Accrued Interest On Sale"**: Interest accrued on a Collateral Obligation at the time of sale or other disposition to the extent paid to the Issuer as part of the sale or other disposition price of the Collateral Obligation after deduction of any amount representing Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal"**: (i) Interest accrued on or purchased with a Collateral Obligation as part of the price paid by the Issuer to acquire the Collateral Obligation less any amount of Interest Proceeds (applied as Interest Proceeds) applied by the Issuer to acquire the accrued interest at the time of purchase and (ii) interest accrued on a Warehoused Loan as part of the price paid by the Issuer to repurchase and terminate the related participation under the Warehouse Agreement.

**"Act"**: The meaning specified in Section 14.2.

**"Administration Agreement"**: The Administration Agreement, between the Issuer and the Administrator, providing for the administrative functions of the Issuer, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Administrative Expense Cap"**: An amount on any Payment Date equal to the excess of:

(a) the sum of 0.05% of the Maximum Investment Amount on the related Determination Date plus \$150,000, *over*

(b) the sum of the amounts paid for Administrative Expenses in the twelve months preceding the current Payment Date.

**"Administrative Expenses"**: Amounts due or accrued representing

(i) tax preparation, filing, and registration fees or expenses and any other filing and registration fees owed by the Co-Issuers (including all filing, registration, and annual return fees payable to the Cayman Islands government and registered office fees);

(ii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Trustee (including all amounts under Section 6.7), the Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Collateral Administrator;

(iii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Co-Issuers and of accountants, agents, and counsel for either of the Co-Issuers;

(iv) fees and expenses of the Rating Agencies in connection with any rating of the Securities owed by either Co-Issuer (including fees and expenses for surveillance, credit estimates, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies);

(v) expenses and indemnities (but not Management Fees) of the Portfolio Manager if payable under the Management Agreement;

(vi) expenses and indemnities of the Insurer if payable under Section 4.2(a)(ii) and Section 4.3 of the Insurance Agreement;

(vii) fees and expenses for third-party loan pricing services and accountants;  
and

(viii) amounts due (other than indemnities) to any other person (except the Portfolio Manager) if specifically provided for in this Indenture, including fees or expenses in connection with any Securities Lending Agreement.

**"Administrator"**: Maples Finance Limited.

**"Affected Bank"**: A "bank" for purposes of Section 881 of the Code or an entity affiliated with such a bank that is neither (x) a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code (generally an entity created or organized in or under the laws of the United States or any state thereof or the District of Columbia) nor (y) entitled to the benefits of an income tax treaty with the United States under which withholding taxes on interest payments made by obligors resident in the United States to such bank are reduced to 0%.

**"Affiliate" or "Affiliated"**: With respect to a person,

(i) any other person who, directly or indirectly, is in control of, or controlled by, or is under common control with, the person, or

(ii) any other person who is a director, officer, or employee (A) of the person, (B) of any subsidiary or parent company of the person, or (C) of any person described in clause (i) above.

For the purposes of this definition, control of a person shall mean the power, direct or indirect,

(A) to vote more than 50% of the securities having ordinary voting power for the election of directors of the person, or

(B) to direct the corporate management and corporate policies of the person whether by contract or otherwise (this does not include the Management Agreement unless it is amended expressly to provide those services).

For the purpose of this definition, the Administrator and its Affiliates are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Co-Issuers and the Co-Issuers are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Administrator, or any of their Affiliates.

**"Agent Members"**: Members of, or participants in, a Depository.

**"Aggregate Outstanding Amount"**: When used with respect to any of the Notes as of any date, the aggregate principal amount of the Notes on that date. When used with respect to the Preference Shares or the Preference Share Components as of any date, the number of such Preference Shares Outstanding on such date in respect of such Preference Shares or Preference Share Components. When used with respect to any of the Class 1 Composite Securities, as of any date, the aggregate face amount of the Class 1 Composite Securities.

Except as otherwise provided herein:

(a) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1a Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(b) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1b Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(c) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1g Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(d) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-2 Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(e) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-3a Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(f) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-3b Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(g) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes at any time shall include all Class B Deferred Interest attributed thereto; and

(h) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes at any time shall include all Class C Deferred Interest attributed thereto.

**"Aggregate Principal Balance"**: When used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Principal Balances of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Principal Balance means the sum of the Principal Balances of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**"Aggregate Purchase Price Amount"**: When used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Purchase Price Amount means the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**"Allocable Principal Balance"**: With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, the portion of the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security that is allocable to each Reference Obligation comprising such index or indices based upon allocating the Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security among such Reference Obligations in the same proportion as each Reference Obligation bears to the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security.

**"Amendment Buy-Out"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.6(a).

**"Amendment Buy-Out Option"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.6(a).

**"Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price"**: The purchase price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Securities or Preference Shares purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) to the date of purchase payable to the Non-Consenting Holder (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), plus any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment plus, in the case of the Fixed Rate Notes, the applicable Make-Whole Premium, (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since the Closing Date (and any amounts payable, if any, to the Non-Consenting Holder on the next succeeding Payment Date) would cause such Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); provided, however, that in any Amendment Buy-Out from and after the date on which the Non-Consenting Holders of Preference Shares have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price for such Preference Shares shall be zero and (iii) in the case of the Class 1 Composite Securities, the sum of (x) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (ii) in respect of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 1 Composite Security Preference Share Component, (y) the Treasury Strip Market Value and (z) the Composite Security Make-Up Amount.

**"Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser"**: The Portfolio Manager (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); provided that in the event that the Portfolio Manager elects not to purchase Securities or Preference Shares from Holders pursuant to Section 9.6, "Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser) or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Portfolio Manager; provided, however, none of the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

**"Applicable Issuers" or "Applicable Issuer"**: With respect to the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes, each of the Co-Issuers. With respect to the Preference Shares and the Composite Securities, the Issuer only.

**"Applicable Note Interest Rate"**: With respect to the Notes of any Class, the Note Interest Rate with respect to such Class.

**"Applicable Percentage"**: The lesser of the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate and the S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation as specified in the tables below. High-Yield Bonds do not include Structured Finance Obligations for this purpose.

<b>Moody's Priority Category</b>	<b>Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Synthetic Securities.....	In the case of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to the Form-Approved Synthetic Security at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security by Moody's, and</li> <li>(ii) any other Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to the Synthetic Security at the time of acquisition of the Synthetic Security.</li> </ul>
Structured Finance Obligations.....	The Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the Moody's Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 5</u> by reference to the type of asset and its then Moody's Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that schedule does not apply, on a case-by-case basis in connection with the Grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
unsecured DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligations not covered above or below .....	As determined by Moody's on a case-by-case basis

For High-Yield Bonds, Moody's Senior Secured Loans and Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is the rate determined pursuant to the table below based on the number of rating subcategories difference between the High-Yield Bond's or Loan's Moody's Obligation Rating and its Moody's Default Probability Rating (for purposes of clarification, if the Moody's Obligation Rating is higher than the Moody's Default Probability Rating, the rating subcategories difference will be positive and if it is lower, negative):

<b>Number of Moody's Rating Subcategories Difference Between the Moody's Obligation Rating and the Moody's Default Probability Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>High-Yield Bonds</b>
+2 or more	60.0%	45.0%	40.0%
+1	50.0%	42.5%	35.0%
0	45.0%	40.0%	30.0%
-1	40.0%	30.0%	15.0%
-2	30.0%	15.0%	10.0%
-3 or less	20.0%	10.0%	2.0%

If no Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate has been specifically assigned with respect to a Loan pursuant to the above table, and the Loan is a secured DIP Loan, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is 50.0%.

<b>S&amp;P Priority Category</b>	<b>S&amp;P Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Secured Loans other than Subordinated Lien Loans or DIP Loans.....	52.0%
Senior Unsecured Loans .....	31.0%
Subordinated Lien Loans other than a DIP Loan.....	18.0%
senior secured High-Yield Bonds (other than Structured Finance Obligations).....	44.0%
senior unsecured High-Yield Bonds (other than Structured Finance Obligations).....	30.0%
subordinated High-Yield Bonds (other than Structured Finance Obligations).....	18.0%
Structured Finance Obligations.....	The S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the S&P Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 6</u> by reference to the type of asset and its then S&P Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that table does not apply, on a case by case basis in connection with the Grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
Synthetic Securities.....	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis in connection with the Grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation.
DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligation not covered above .....	As assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis

**"Approved Credit Support Document":** A security agreement in the form of the 1994 ISDA Credit Support Annex (ISDA Agreements Subject to New York Law Only), as modified by the Paragraph 13 thereto.

**"Approved Pricing Service":** Loan Pricing Corporation, Mark-It-Partners, Inc. or any other nationally recognized loan pricing service approved in writing by S&P.

**"Ask-Side Market Value":** As of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Portfolio Manager and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any lent Collateral Obligation based upon the Portfolio Manager's commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the higher of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the ask-side prices for the purchase of such Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Portfolio Manager) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Portfolio Manager); provided that if the Ask-Side Market Value of any



lent Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the outstanding principal balance thereof.

**"Assigned Moody's Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 8.

**"Authenticating Agent"**: With respect to the Securities, the Trustee or the person designated by the Trustee to authenticate the Securities on behalf of the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.14.

**"Authorized Officer"**: With respect to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, any Officer or agent who is authorized to act for the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, in matters relating to, and binding on, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. With respect to the Portfolio Manager, any managing member, Officer, manager, employee, partner or agent of the Portfolio Manager who is authorized to act for the Portfolio Manager in matters relating to, and binding on, the Portfolio Manager with respect to the subject matter of the request, certificate, or order in question. With respect to the Trustee or any other bank or trust company acting as trustee of an express trust or as custodian, a Trust Officer. Each party may receive and accept a certification of the authority of any other party as conclusive evidence of the authority of any person to act, and the certification may be considered as in full force and effect until receipt by the other party of written notice to the contrary.

**"Average Life"**: As of any Measurement Date with respect to any Collateral Obligation (other than any Defaulted Collateral Obligation), the quotient obtained by dividing:

- (i) the sum of the products of:
  - (A) the number of years (rounded to the nearest hundredth) from the Measurement Date to the respective dates of each successive scheduled payment of principal of the Collateral Obligation, and
  - (B) the respective amounts of the successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation, by
- (ii) the sum of all successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Avoided Payment"**: The meaning assigned to the term "Avoided Payment" in the Policy.

**"Bank"**: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, in its individual capacity and not as Trustee.

**"Bankruptcy Code"**: The U.S. Bankruptcy Code, Title 11 of the United States Code.

**"Bankruptcy Law"**: The Bankruptcy Code, Part V of the Companies Law (2004 Revision) of the Cayman Islands and the Bankruptcy Law (1997 Revision) of the Cayman Islands.

**"Beneficial Owner"**: Any person owning an interest in a Global Security or Regulation S Global Preference Shares as reflected on the books of the Depository or on the books of an

Agent Member or on the books of an indirect participant for which an Agent Member acts as agent.

**"Benefit Plan Investor"**: The meaning specified in the Plan Asset Regulations of the U.S. Department of Labor, 29 CFR 2510.3-101(f).

**"Board Resolution"**: With respect to the Issuer, a resolution of the board of directors of the Issuer and, with respect to the Co-Issuer, a resolution of the board of directors of the Co-Issuer.

**"Business Day"**: A day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in New York City and any other city in which the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee is located and, in the case of the final payment of principal of any Note or the final payment in respect of any Composite Security, the place of presentation of the Security designated by the Trustee. To the extent action is required of the Irish Listing and Paying Agent, Dublin, Ireland shall be considered in determining "Business Day" for purposes of determining when action by the Irish Listing and Paying Agent is required.

**"Buy-Out Amount"**: The meaning set forth in the Management Agreement.

**"Calculation Agent"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.16.

**"Cash"**: Such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for payment of all public and private debts.

**"CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations"**: The Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have (i) a Moody's Rating below "B3" and/or (ii) an S&P Rating below "B-".

**"Certificate of Authentication"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.1.

**"Certificated Composite Security"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(d).

**"Certificated Preference Shares"**: The meaning set forth in the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

**"Certificated Security (UCC)"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(4) of the UCC.

**"Class"**: All of the Securities having the same priority and the same Stated Maturity and all of the Preference Shares. Unless otherwise expressly provided for herein: (i) the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes and the Class A-1g Notes shall be considered as being of the same Class and (ii) each of the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the A-3 Notes shall be separate Classes.

**"Class 1 Collateral"**: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Class 1 Collateral Principal Balance"**: The face value of the Treasury Strip at its maturity date.

**"Class 1 Component"**: A Component representing the rights of the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities to receive the payments from the Class 1 Component Account upon any redemption of the Class 1 Component.

**"Class 1 Component Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(j).

**"Class 1 Composite Security"**: The Class 1 Extendable Composite Securities issued by the Issuer pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class 1 Composite Security Preference Share Component"**: A Component of the Class 1 Composite Securities representing an initial aggregate Face Amount of Preference Shares equal to \$2,000,000. The number of Preference Shares to which the Class 1 Composite Security Preference Share Component relates is included in (and are not in addition to) the number of Preference Shares being issued by the Issuer on the Closing Date pursuant to its Memorandum and Articles of Association.

**"Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance"**: With respect to the rating of the Class 1 Composite Securities by Moody's, on the Closing Date \$6,000,000 and on any date of determination thereafter, the initial Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance *minus* the aggregate amount of all distributions paid to the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities in respect of its related Components on all prior Payment Dates pursuant to Section 11.1(a) and Section 11.2.

**"Class A Coverage Tests"**: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class A Notes.

**"Class A Notes"**: The Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes.

**"Class A-1a Notes"**: The Class A-1a Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class A-1b Notes"**: The Class A-1b Fixed Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class A-1g Notes"**: The Class A-1g Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class A-2 Notes"**: The Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class A-3 Notes"**: The Class A-3a Notes and the Class A-3b Notes.

**"Class A-3a Notes"**: The Class A-3a Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class A-3b Notes"**: The Class A-3b Fixed Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class B Coverage Tests"**: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class B Notes.

**"Class B Deferred Interest"**: Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes.

**"Class B Notes"**: The Class B Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class C Coverage Tests"**: The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class C Notes.

**"Class C Deferred Interest"**: Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C Notes.

**"Class C Notes"**: The Class C Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class Scenario Loss Rate"**: With respect to any Class of Notes rated by S&P, an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, consistent with S&P's rating of the Class of Notes on the Closing Date, determined by application of the S&P CDO Monitor.

**"Clearing Agency"**: An organization registered as a "clearing agency" pursuant to Section 17A of the Exchange Act.

**"Clearing Corporation"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(5) of the UCC.

**"Clearing Corporation Security"**: A "security" (as defined in Section 8-102(a)(15) of the UCC) that (i) is a debt or equity security and (ii) is in the custody of or maintained on the books of a Clearing Corporation or its nominee.

**"Clearstream"**: Clearstream Banking, société anonyme, a corporation organized under the laws of the Duchy of Luxembourg.

**"Closing Date"**: March 15, 2005.

**"Closing Date Expense Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(g).

**"Co-Issuer"**: The person named as such on the first page of this Indenture.

**"Co-Issuers"**: The Issuer and the Co-Issuer.

**"Code"**: The United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

**"Collateral"**: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Collateral Administration Agreement"**: The agreement dated as of the Closing Date among the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, and the Collateral Administrator, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Collateral Administrator"**: The Bank in its capacity as collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement.

**"Collateral Assignment of Hedge Agreements"**: With respect to each Hedge Agreement, the assignment of all of the Issuer's interest in the Hedge Agreement to the Trustee and acknowledged by the Hedge Counterparty to create a security interest therein in favor of the Trustee.

**"Collateral Obligation"**: Any obligation or security that, when the Issuer commits to purchase (or otherwise acquire) the obligation or security, is a Loan, High-Yield Bond, Structured Finance Obligation, or Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that is a Loan, a Structured Finance Obligation, or High-Yield Bond that is:

- (1) denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars and is not convertible by its obligor into any other currency;
- (2) an obligation of an obligor Domiciled in an Eligible Country;
- (3) an obligation that is eligible by its terms to be assigned to the Issuer and pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral;
- (4) not an exchangeable or convertible security that is exchangeable or convertible at the option of its issuer;
- (5) not an equity security or a component of an equity security or a security that has a component that is an equity security (other than for avoidance of doubt, a pass-through trust certificate in a trust holding Collateral Obligations);
- (6) not an obligation or security that has been called for redemption and is not an obligation or security that is the subject of an Offer other than a Permitted Offer or an exchange offer in which a security that is not registered under the Securities Act is exchanged for (i) a security that has substantially identical terms (except for transfer restrictions) but is registered under the Securities Act or (ii) a security that would otherwise qualify for purchase under Article 12;
- (7) an obligation that (a) has a Moody's Rating (including any estimated or confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored) and (b) has an S&P Rating (including any confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored), which S&P Rating does not have a "p", "pi", "q", "r" or "t" subscript unless S&P otherwise authorizes in writing;
- (8) an obligation that is a Finance Lease (if it is a lease) and the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;
- (9) an obligation that is not a Current-Pay Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation and in the case of a Collateral

Obligation that has a Moody's Rating of "Caa1" or lower or an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower, an obligation for which the Portfolio Manager has certified in writing that such Collateral Obligation is not a Credit Risk Obligation;

(10) an obligation that (unless it is a High-Yield Bond) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness for borrowed money of the applicable issuer; provided that for the avoidance of doubt, this clause shall not prohibit the inclusion as Collateral Obligations of Subordinated Lien Loans;

(11) an obligation that (i) (unless it is a PIK Security) bears simple interest payable in cash no less frequently than annually at a fixed or floating rate that is paid on a periodic basis on an unleveraged basis and, in the case of a floating rate, computed on a benchmark interest rate plus or minus a spread, if any (which may vary under the terms of the obligation) and (ii) provides for a fixed amount of principal payable in cash according to a fixed schedule (which may include optional call dates) or at maturity (or a fixed notional amount in the case of Synthetic Securities);

(12) an obligation the payment or repayment of the principal, if any, of which is not an amount determined by reference to any formula or index or subject to any contingency under the terms thereof;

(13) in the case of a Loan, an obligation that is part of, or a Participation in, a syndicated loan facility that provides for a commitment by the lenders, in the aggregate, of at least U.S.\$100 million;

(14) an obligation the portion of which to be acquired (including through a Synthetic Security with respect to the Reference Obligation) does not represent, directly or indirectly, more than a 25% interest in the obligation;

(15) not an obligation with a maturity later than one year after the Stated Maturity of the Notes;

(16) an obligation upon which no payments are subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the obligor thereof or counterparty with respect thereto is required to make "gross-up" payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax on an after-tax basis (other than withholding taxes with respect to commitment fees associated with Collateral Obligations constituting Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans);

(17) not a Loan or Synthetic Security that would require the Issuer after its purchase of the Loan or Synthetic Security to advance any funds to the related borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty or permit the borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty to require that any future advances be made except for:

(A) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the Issuer deposits into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, respectively, the maximum amount of any advances that may be required of the Issuer under the related Underlying Instrument (as provided in Section 10.3(b)), and

(B) any Synthetic Security if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Synthetic Security, the Issuer posts cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) the Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of any future advances;

(18) if such obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation, such obligation:

(A) has been assigned a rating by both Moody's and S&P;

(B) has a Moody's Rating of "Ba3" or higher and an S&P Rating of "BB-" or higher; and

(C) has not been placed on the watch list for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P;

(19) not a Loan that is an obligation of a debtor in possession or a trustee for a debtor in an insolvency proceeding other than a DIP Loan;

(20) with respect to an obligation that provides for the payment of interest at a floating rate, an obligation for which such floating rate is determined by reference to the U.S. Dollar prime rate or other base rate, London interbank offered rate or similar interbank offered rate, commercial deposit rate or any other index that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto;

(21) in the case of a Synthetic Security, a Synthetic Security for which the counterparty or issuer, as the case may be, has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3", and if rated "A3" by Moody's, such rating is not on watch for downgrade, and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A-";

(22) not an obligation that constitutes Margin Stock;

(23) not a Zero-Coupon Security;

(24) not an obligation that is currently deferring interest or paying interest "in kind" or otherwise has an interest "in kind" balance outstanding at the time of purchase, which interest is otherwise payable in cash, unless the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;

(25) not a security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined by the Portfolio Manager;

(26) not an obligation the interest payments of which are scheduled to decrease (although interest payments may decrease due to unscheduled events such as a decrease if the index relating to a Floating Rate Obligation, the change from a default rate of interest to a non-default rate of interest or an improvement in the obligor's financial condition); and

(27) not an obligation that will cause the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the pool of assets to be required to be registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act.

The Treasury Strip shall not be a Collateral Obligation and it shall not be taken into account in any calculation involving Collateral Obligations.

Pursuant to the definition of "Synthetic Security", unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event".

**"Collateral Quality Tests"**: The Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Life Test, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test, and the S&P CDO Monitor Test.

**"Collection Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.2(a).

**"Commitment Amount"**: With respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the maximum aggregate outstanding principal amount (whether then funded or unfunded) of advances or other extensions of credit that the Issuer could be required to make to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments.

**"Commitment Reduction"**: With respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, a permanent reduction (whether scheduled, mandatory, optional, or otherwise) in the related Commitment Amount.

**"Components"**: The Preference Share Component and the Class 1 Component, as the context requires.

**"Composite Securities"**: The Class 1 Composite Securities issued by the Issuer pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Composite Securityholder"**: A Holder of Class 1 Composite Securities.



**"Composite Security Make-Up Amount":** In connection with determining the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, the Extension Purchase Price or the Buy-Out Amount in respect of all or a portion of the Composite Securities, the greater of: (i) zero and (ii) the sum of (w) the initial principal amount of such Composite Securities as of the Closing Date minus (x) the aggregate of all payments and distributions made in respect of the Composite Securities since the Closing Date minus (y) any amount payable pursuant to clause (ii) of the definition of Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price (for purposes of determining the Composite Security Make-Up Amount pursuant to clause (iii) of such definition), clause (ii) of the definition of Extension Purchase Price (for purposes of determining the Composite Security Make-Up Amount pursuant to clause (iii) of such definition) or clause (i) of the definition of Buy-Out Amount (for purposes of determining the Composite Security Make-Up Amount pursuant to clause (ii) of such definition) less (z) the Treasury Strip Market Value.

**"Composite Securities Payment Date":** The second Business Day after each Payment Date or, if such Payment Date coincides with the Stated Maturity, the Composite Securities Payment Date shall be such Payment Date.

**"Concentration Limitations":** The limit set forth below with respect to a particular type of Investment Obligation (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) as a percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount:

	Percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount
(1) Senior Secured Loans and Eligible Investments	$\geq 92.5\%$
(2) unsecured Loans	$\leq 3.0\%$
(3) Subordinated Lien Loans	$\leq 5.0\%$
(4) Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans	$\leq 15.0\%$
(5) DIP Loans	$\leq 5.0\%$
(a) except that with a Rating Confirmation, DIP Loans may constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 7.5\%$
(6) S&P Unrated DIP Loans	$\leq 2.5\%$
(7) PIK Securities	$\leq 3.0\%$
(8) High-Yield Bonds	$\leq 7.5\%$
(9) Structured Finance Obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(10) Structured Finance Obligations that are collateralized loan obligations	$\leq 2.5\%$
(11) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States and Canada	$\leq 15.0\%$
(12) obligors Domiciled in Canada or any single Moody's Group I Country	$\leq 10.0\%$
(13) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group II Country	$\leq 5.0\%$

(14) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group III Country	$\leq 2.5\%$
(15) obligors organized in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction	$\leq 5.0\%$
(16) same S&P Industry Classification	$\leq 8.0\%$
(a) except that Investment Obligations belonging to two S&P Industry Classifications (not including Telecommunications) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 10.0\%$
(17) single issuer or any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties)	$\leq 1.5\%$
(a) except that up to each of five individual issuers (including any of their respective Affiliates but excluding issuers that the Portfolio Manager reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 2.0\%$
(18) Fixed Rate Obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(19) Pay interest less frequently than quarterly but no less frequently than annually	$\leq 7.5\%$
(20) Synthetic Securities	$\leq 20.0\%$
(a) except that Synthetic Securities that provide for settlement other than by physical delivery may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$
(b) except that Synthetic Securities that reference a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$
(21) Participations ( <u>provided</u> , that no Investment Obligations may be a Participation in a Participation)	$\leq 10.0\%$
(22) Investment Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, in the aggregate may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 20.0\%$
(23) Investment Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, a single Secondary Risk Counterparty	$\leq$ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Individual Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating*

(24) Investment Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, all Secondary Risk Counterparties	≤ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Aggregate Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating**
(25) Deep Discount Obligations	≤ 5.0%
(26) CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(27) Long-Dated Collateral Obligations	≤ 2.0%
(28) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements	≤ 15.0%
(29) Collateral Obligations providing for interest at a non-London interbank offered rate	≤ 5.0%

\* Applicable long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P of such Secondary Risk Counterparty (using the limit for the lower of such ratings if different).

\*\* Long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P at or below a level specified in the Secondary Risk Table (using the lower of such ratings for a Secondary Risk Counterparty, if different).

Subject to the rights in circumstances of the Portfolio Manager to determine otherwise as set out in Section 1.2(h), solely for the purpose of determining whether the Concentration Limitations are met, Eligible Investments and Cash will be treated as Senior Secured Loans and Floating Rate Obligations.

**"Controlling Class":** The Senior Class A Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Senior Class A Notes are Outstanding; then the Class A-2 Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class A-2 Notes are Outstanding; then the Class A-3 Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class A-3 Notes are Outstanding; then the Class B Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class B Notes are Outstanding; and then the Class C Notes (voting together as a Class or group); provided, however, that notwithstanding the foregoing, so long as the Class A-1g Notes are Outstanding and the Policy has not been terminated in accordance with Section 16.8 or any Accrued Insurance Liabilities or Premium are due and owing to the Insurer, and no Insurer Default exists, then the "Controlling Class", the "Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class", the "Majority of the Controlling Class" or the "Super Majority of the Controlling Class" shall, for all purposes, be the Insurer, and the Insurer shall be entitled to exercise all of the rights of the Controlling Class, the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, the Majority of the Controlling Class or the Super Majority of the Controlling Class, as applicable, that are provided for herein. In addition to the foregoing, the Insurer's right to exercise all of the rights of the Controlling Class, the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, the Majority of the Controlling Class or the Super Majority of the Controlling Class, as applicable, shall be reinstated if a Preference Claim is made for as long as any such Preference Claim is pending during the applicable statutory preference period or, if the Insurer is required to pay the amount of any Avoided Payment, for so long as any Accrued Insurance Liabilities owing to the Insurer have not been paid in full.

**"Corporate Trust Office":** The corporate trust office of the Trustee at which the Trustee performs its duties under this Indenture, currently having an address of 600 Travis Street, 50<sup>th</sup>

Floor, Houston, Texas 77002, telecopy no. (713) 216-2101, Attention: Institutional Trust Services—Southfork CLO Ltd. or any other address the Trustee designates from time to time by notice to the Noteholders, the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Insurer, the Issuer, and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Trustee.

**"Coverage Tests"**: Collectively, the Class A Coverage Tests, the Class B Coverage Tests and the Class C Coverage Tests applicable as of any Measurement Date.

**"Credit Improved Obligation"**: Any Collateral Obligation that in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, has improved in credit quality; provided, if a Credit Rating Event is in effect, such Collateral Obligation will be considered a Credit Improved Obligation only if:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been upgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing positive credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under this Indenture,

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced a reduction in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Portfolio Manager (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's),

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has increased by at least 1.00% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Portfolio Manager (provided that this subclause (iii)(x) will be deemed satisfied if Market Value increases to 101%), or (y) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more positive than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, plus 3.00%, over the same period, or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Improved Obligation if:

(i) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Improved Obligation or

(ii) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Improved Obligation.

**"Credit Rating Event"**: An event that is in effect if the rating by Moody's:

(i) of the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes or the Class A-3 Notes (without giving effect to the Policy) has been withdrawn or is one or more rating sub-categories below its Initial Rating; or

(ii) of the Class B Notes or the Class C Notes has been withdrawn or is two or more rating sub-categories below its respective Initial Rating.

For the purposes of this definition, any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not be effective if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody's has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes (or the Initial Shadow Rating in the Class of the Class A-1g Notes), or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes.

**"Credit Risk Obligation"**: Any Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, has a significant risk of declining in credit quality and, with a lapse of time, becoming a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

So long as a Credit Rating Event is in effect, no Collateral Obligation shall be eligible to be a Credit Risk Obligation unless, as of the date of determination:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been downgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing negative credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under this Indenture,

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced an increase in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Portfolio Manager (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's),

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has decreased by at least 2.50% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Portfolio Manager, and (y) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more negative, or less positive, as the case may be, than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, less 3.00%, over the same period, or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Risk Obligation if:

- (a) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Risk Obligation, or
- (b) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Risk Obligation.

**"Current-Pay Obligation":** A Collateral Obligation as to which:

- (i) an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to its obligor or as to which its obligor is rated "D" or "SD" by S&P or its obligor has previously been rated "CCC-" by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn,
- (ii) no default as to the payment of principal or interest with respect to the Collateral Obligation is then continuing and the Portfolio Manager has delivered to the Trustee an officer's certificate to the effect that the Portfolio Manager expects that the obligor will make payments on the Collateral Obligation as they become due,
- (iii) (A) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is at least "Caa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 80% of its Principal Balance or (B) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is less than "Caa1" or is "Caa1" and on credit watch with negative implications, the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 85% of its Principal Balance,
- (iv) if an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to the obligor of the Collateral Obligation, a bankruptcy court has authorized the payment of interest payable on the Collateral Obligation, and
- (v) the Portfolio Manager has designated in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligation as a Current-Pay Obligation.

If the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations exceeds 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, all or a portion of one or more Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance equal to the amount of the excess shall not be Current-Pay Obligations (and will therefore be Defaulted Collateral Obligations). The Portfolio Manager shall designate in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligations that shall not be Current-Pay Obligations pursuant to the preceding sentence as the Collateral Obligations (or portions thereof) that have the lowest Market Value on any applicable date of determination.

The Portfolio Manager may, by notice to the Issuer, the Trustee, and the Collateral Administrator, change the definition of "Current-Pay Obligation" or how Current-Pay

Obligations are treated in this Indenture, subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency.

**"Current Portfolio"**: At any time, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations, Principal Proceeds held as Cash on deposit in the Collection Account, and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account that exists before the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or before the acquisition of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**"Custodial Account"**: The custodial account established in the name of the Trustee pursuant to Section 10.3(a).

**"Custodian"**: The meaning specified in the first sentence of Section 3.2(a) with respect to items of collateral referred to therein, and each entity with which an Account is maintained, as the context may require, each of which shall be a Securities Intermediary.

**"Deep Discount Obligation"**: Until the average Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation, as determined daily for any period of 30 consecutive days, equals or exceeds 90%, any Collateral Obligation acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 85% of its Principal Balance. For such purpose, the Market Value Percentage of a Collateral Obligation on a day that is not a Business Day shall be deemed to be the Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation on the immediately preceding Business Day.

**"Default"**: Any Event of Default or any occurrence that, with notice or the lapse of time or both, would become an Event of Default.

**"Defaulted Collateral Obligation"**: Any Collateral Obligation or other obligation included in the Collateral:

(i) as to which there has occurred and is continuing a default with respect to the payment of interest or principal with respect to such Collateral Obligation, without giving effect to any applicable grace period or waiver (provided, that if the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee in writing that such default is for non-credit related reasons, the related Collateral Obligation shall not be treated as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under this clause (i) unless and until such default has continued for a period of three (3) consecutive business days), but, in any case, only until such default has been cured;

(ii) with respect to which there has been effected any distressed exchange or other debt restructuring where the obligor has offered the holders thereof a new security or instrument or package of securities or instruments that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, either (x) amounts to a diminished financial obligation or (y) has the sole purpose of enabling the obligor to avoid a default;

(iii) (1) that is *pari passu* with or subordinated to other indebtedness for borrowed money owing by its obligor ("**Other Indebtedness**"), (2) the obligor has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (without regard to any applicable grace or notice period and without regard to any waiver of the default) on the Other Indebtedness, unless, in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously

scheduled and unpaid on the Other Indebtedness and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation and (3) the Portfolio Manager, provided that the related Collateral Obligation has not been downgraded after the default on such Other Indebtedness has occurred, determines (in its commercially reasonable judgment) that such Other Indebtedness is material;

(iv) (other than a Current-Pay Obligation or a DIP Loan) as to which:

(A) an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to its obligor, or

(B) the obligation is rated "D", "SD", "C" or "CC" by S&P or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn, or has previously been rated "CCC-" or lower by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;

(v) if the Collateral Obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation, it is rated "CC" or below by S&P, or it was rated "C" or below by S&P but the rating has since been withdrawn, or it is rated "Ca" or below by Moody's, or it was rated "C" or below by Moody's but the rating has since been withdrawn;

(vi) that is a Participation that would, if the underlying Loan were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (iv) above or with respect to which the Participating Institution has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Participation;

(vii) that is a Synthetic Security referencing a Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (v) above or with respect to which the Synthetic Security Counterparty has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Synthetic Security; provided, however, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time: (x) a determination whether the Reference Obligations upon which such Synthetic Security is based would, if such Reference Obligations were Collateral Obligations, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct investment by the Issuer in each of the Reference Obligations on which such Synthetic Security is based in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation and (y) the "Defaulted Collateral Obligation" for purposes of this clause (vii) shall be limited to the Allocable Principal Balance of each Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (v) above;

(viii) that is a Written-Down Obligation;

(ix) that is a DIP Loan as to which an order has been entered converting the debtor's chapter 11 case to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code; or



(x) that is declared to be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation by the Portfolio Manager.

Any Collateral Obligation that is classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall cease to be so classified if the Collateral Obligation, at any date thereafter,

(1) would not otherwise be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this definition; and

(2) otherwise meets the Eligibility Criteria as of that date.

If any portion of a Collateral Obligation has a maturity later than one year after the Stated Maturity of the Notes due to a change in the payment schedule of the Collateral Obligation occurring after its acquisition by the Issuer, that portion of the Collateral Obligation shall be considered a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**"Defaulted Hedge Termination Payment"**: Any termination payment required to be made by the Issuer to a Hedge Counterparty pursuant to a Hedge Agreement upon a termination of the Hedge Agreement in respect of which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**"Defaulted Interest"**: Any interest payable in respect of any Class of Notes that is not punctually paid or duly provided for on the applicable Payment Date or at Stated Maturity; provided that, any interest paid with the proceeds of the Policy shall not be treated for the purpose of this definition as paid or provided for.

**"Defaulted Interest Charge"**: To the extent lawful, interest on any Defaulted Interest at the Default Interest Rate.

**"Default Interest Rate"**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate equal to the Note Interest Rate payable on the Notes of the Class.

**"Deferred Interest"**: With respect to any specified Class of Deferred Interest Notes, the meaning specified in Section 2.8(a).

**"Deferred Interest Notes"**: The Class B Notes and the Class C Notes.

**"Deficiency Amount"**: The meaning specified in Section 16.3(a).

**"Deficiency Notice Date"**: The meaning specified in Section 16.3(a).

**"Definitive Securities"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.11(b).

**"Delayed Drawdown Loan"**: A Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that

(i) requires the Issuer to make one or more future advances to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments,

(ii) specifies a maximum amount that can be borrowed on one or more fixed borrowing dates, and

- (iii) does not permit the re-borrowing of any amount previously repaid.

A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Delayed Drawdown Loan for so long as its unused commitment amount is greater than zero.

**"Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(b).

**"Deliver"** or **"Delivered"** or **"Delivery"**: The taking of the following steps:

- (i) in the case of each Certificated Security (UCC) (other than a Clearing Corporation Security), Instrument or Participation in which the underlying Loan is represented by an Instrument,

- (A) causing the delivery of such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument to the Custodian registered in the name of the Custodian or its affiliated nominee or endorsed to the Custodian or in blank,

- (B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument is credited to the applicable Account, and

- (C) causing the Custodian to maintain continuous possession of such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument;

- (ii) in the case of each Uncertificated Security (other than a Clearing Corporation Security),

- (A) causing such Uncertificated Security to be continuously registered on the books of the issuer thereof to the Custodian, and

- (B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Uncertificated Security is credited to the applicable Account;

- (iii) in the case of each Clearing Corporation Security,

- (A) causing the relevant Clearing Corporation to credit such Clearing Corporation Security to the securities account of the Custodian, and

- (B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate by on its books and records that such Clearing Corporation Security is credited to the applicable Account;

- (iv) in the case of each security issued or guaranteed by the United States of America or agency or instrumentality thereof and that is maintained in book-entry records of a Federal Reserve Bank ("**FRB**") (each such security, a "**Government Security**"),

- (A) causing the creation of a Security Entitlement to such Government Security by the credit of such Government Security to the securities account of the Custodian at such FRB, and

(B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Government Security is credited to the applicable Account;

(v) in the case of each Security Entitlement not governed by clauses (i) through (iv) above,

(A) causing a Securities Intermediary (x) to indicate on its books and records that the underlying Financial Asset has been credited to be the Custodian's securities account, (y) to receive a Financial Asset from a Securities Intermediary or acquiring the underlying Financial Asset for a Securities Intermediary, and in either case, accepting it for credit to the Custodian's securities account or (z) to become obligated under other law, regulation or rule to credit the underlying Financial Asset to a Security Intermediary's securities account,

(B) causing such Securities Intermediary to make entries on its books and records continuously identifying such Security Entitlement as belonging to the Custodian and continuously indicating on its books and records that such Security Entitlement is credited to the Custodian's securities account, and

(C) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Security Entitlement (or all rights and property of the Custodian representing such Security Entitlement) is credited to the applicable Account;

(vi) in the case of cash or money,

(A) causing the delivery of such cash or money to the Custodian,

(B) causing the Custodian to treat such cash or money as a Financial Asset maintained by such Custodian for credit to the applicable Account in accordance with the provisions of Article 8 of the UCC, and

(C) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such cash or money is credited to the applicable Account; and

(v) in the case of each general intangible (including any Participation in which neither the Participation nor the underlying Loan is represented by an Instrument),

(A) causing the filing of a Financing Statement in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of the District of Columbia, Washington, DC, and

(B) causing the registration of this Indenture in the Register of Mortgages of the Issuer at the Issuer's registered office in the Cayman Islands;

in addition, the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer will obtain any and all consents required by the underlying instruments relating to any such general intangibles for the transfer of ownership and/or pledge hereunder (except to the extent that the requirement for such consent is rendered ineffective under Section 9-406 of the UCC).

**"Depository" or "DTC":** The Depository Trust Company and its nominees.

**"Determination Date":** The last day of any Due Period.

**"DIP Loan":** Any Loan

(i) that has a rating assigned by Moody's (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by Moody's, the Portfolio Manager has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by Moody's within five Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer) and a rating assigned by S&P (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by S&P, the Portfolio Manager has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P within two Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer),

(ii) that is an obligation of a debtor in possession as described in Section 1107 of the Bankruptcy Code or a trustee (if appointment of a trustee has been ordered pursuant to Section 1104 of the Bankruptcy Code) (a **"Debtor"**) organized under the laws of the United States or any state of the United States, and

(iii) the terms of which have been approved by a final order of the United States Bankruptcy Court, United States District Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, the enforceability of which order is not subject to any pending contested matter or proceeding (as those terms are defined in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure) and which order provides that

(A) the Loan is secured by liens on the Debtor's otherwise unencumbered assets pursuant to Section 364(c)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code,

(B) the Loan is secured by liens of equal or senior priority on property of the Debtor's estate that is otherwise subject to a lien pursuant to Section 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code,

(C) the Loan is fully secured (based on a current valuation or appraisal report) by junior liens on the Debtor's encumbered assets, or

(D) if any portion of the Loan is unsecured, the repayment of the Loan retains priority over all other administrative expenses pursuant to Section 364(c)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code (and in the case of this clause (D), before the acquisition of the Loan, the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency).

**"Discount Note":** Any Note that is treated as being issued with "original issue discount" within the meaning of Section 1271 through 1275 of the Code and Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.

**"Diversity Score":** A single number that indicates collateral concentration in terms of both issuer and industry concentration, calculated as set forth in Schedule 4 to this Indenture.

**"Diversity Test":** A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Diversity Score equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score.

**"Dollar"** or **"U.S. Dollar"** or **"U.S.\$"**: A dollar or other equivalent unit in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for all debts, public and private.

**"Domicile"** or **"Domiciled"**: With respect to each Collateral Obligation, (i) the jurisdiction of incorporation, organization or creation of the related obligor or (ii) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that would otherwise be considered to be domiciled pursuant to clause (i) in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction, the jurisdiction in which, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, the related obligor conducts substantially all of its business operations and in which the assets primarily responsible for generating its revenues are located.

**"Due Date"**: Each date on which any payment is due on a Pledged Obligation in accordance with its terms.

**"Due for Payment"**: The meaning set forth in the Policy.

**"Due Period"**: With respect to any Payment Date, for all purposes other than payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements, the period from the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date, from the Closing Date) up to but excluding the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the Payment Date (or in the case of the final Payment Date or any Payment Date that is a Redemption Date, through the Business Day before the Payment Date and for payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements the period from the day after the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date from the Closing Date) through the Payment Date).

**"Eligibility Criteria"**: The meaning specified in Section 12.2(b).

**"Eligible Collateral"**: Means: (i) Cash, (ii) U.S. Treasury obligations, (iii) U.S. agency obligations or (iv) commercial paper obligations rated at least "P-1" by Moody's (and not on watch for downgrade) and "A-1+" by S&P, in each case to collateralize fully on a mark-to-market basis the obligations of a Hedge Counterparty under the related Hedge Agreement.

**"Eligible Country"**: The United States, Canada and any country classified by Moody's as a Moody's Group I Country, Moody's Group II Country or Moody's Group III Country; provided that such country has not imposed currency exchange controls.

**"Eligible Investments"**: Any Dollar-denominated investment that, when it is pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee under this Indenture, is one or more of the following:

- (a) Cash;
- (b) direct Registered obligations of, and Registered obligations the timely payment of principal and interest on which is fully and expressly guaranteed by, the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States the obligations of which are expressly backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, which in each case are not zero coupon securities;
- (c) demand and time deposits in, trust accounts, certificates of deposit payable within 91 days of issuance of, bankers' acceptances payable within 91 days of issuance issued by, or Federal funds sold by any depository institution or trust company incorporated under the laws of the United States or any state thereof and subject to

supervision and examination by Federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or the debt obligations of such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company), at the time of such investment or contractual commitment providing for such investment and throughout the term of the investment, have a credit rating of not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade, or "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P in the case of commercial paper and short-term debt obligations; provided that in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such investment a long-term credit rating of not less than "AA-" by S&P and "Aa3" by Moody's and a short-term rating of "A-1+" by S&P and "P-1" by Moody's, and if so rated, is not on watch for downgrade;

(d) commercial paper or other short-term obligations with a maturity of not more than 183 days from the date of issuance and having at the time of such investment a credit rating of at least "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P, provided, that, in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such investment a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade.

(e) unleveraged repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clause (b) above entered into with a U.S. federal or state depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (c) above or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose long-term credit rating is not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade or whose short-term credit rating is "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P at the time of such investment and throughout the term of the investment; provided, that, if such repurchase obligation has a maturity of longer than 91 days, the counterparty thereto must also have at the time of such investment and throughout the term of the investment a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(f) any money market fund or similar investment vehicle having at the time of investment therein and throughout the term of the investment a credit rating of "MR1+" by Moody's and "AAAm" by S&P; including any fund for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee serves as an investment advisor, administrator, shareholder servicing agent, custodian or subcustodian, notwithstanding that (A) the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses from such funds for services rendered (provided that such charges, fees and expenses are on terms consistent with terms negotiated at arm's length) and (B) the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses for services rendered, pursuant to this Indenture;

(g) a guaranteed reinvestment agreement from a bank (if treated as a deposit by such bank), insurance company or other corporation or entity organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (if treated as debt by such insurance company or other corporation or entity), providing for periodic payments thereunder during each Due Period; provided that each such agreement provides that it is terminable by the purchaser, without premium or penalty, in the event that the rating assigned to such agreement by either Moody's or S&P is at any time lower than the then current ratings assigned to the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes or the Class C Notes; provided, further, that, at the time of

investment therein and throughout the term of the investment, the issuer of such agreement has a senior unsecured long-term debt rating, issuer rating or counterparty rating of at least "Aaa" by Moody's, a short-term debt rating of "P-1" by Moody's (and not on watch for downgrade), a short-term debt rating of at least "A-1+" by S&P and a long-term debt rating of at least "AAA" by S&P (and not on watch for downgrade); and

(h) such other investments for which Rating Confirmation has been received;

and, in each case, with a stated maturity (giving effect to any applicable grace period) no later than the Business Day before the Payment Date next succeeding the date of the investment.

Eligible Investments on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account must have a stated maturity no later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase.

Eligible Investments may not include:

(1) any interest-only security, any security purchased at a price in excess of 100% of its par value, or any security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager;

(2) any security whose rating assigned by S&P includes the subscript "r," "t," "p," "pi," or "q";

(3) any floating rate security whose interest rate is inversely or otherwise not proportionately related to an interest rate index or is calculated as other than the sum of an interest rate index plus a spread (which spread may be zero);

(4) any security that is subject to an exchange or tender offer; or

(5) any security that has payments subject to foreign or United States withholding tax.

Eligible Investments may include Eligible Investments for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee provides services. Eligible Investments may not include obligations principally secured by real property.

**"Emerging Market Security":** A security or obligation issued by a sovereign or non-sovereign issuer located in a country (excluding the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Netherlands Antilles, and the Channel Islands):

(i) that is in Latin America, Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, or the Caribbean, or

(ii) the long-term foreign currency debt obligations of which are rated below "Aa2" or "Aa2" and on credit watch with negative implications by Moody's or the foreign currency issuer credit rating of which is below "AA" by S&P.

**"ERISA":** The U.S. Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended.

**"ERISA Plan"**: Any (i) "employee benefit plan" (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) which is subject to Title I of ERISA, (ii) "plan" (as defined in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code) which is subject to Section 4975 of the Code and (iii) entity whose underlying assets include "plan assets" by reason of 29 CFR 2510.3-101 or otherwise.

**"Euroclear"**: Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear system.

**"Event of Default"**: The meaning specified in Section 5.1.

**"Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations"**: The Principal Balance of all CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations in excess of 7.5% of the Maximum Investment Amount on the relevant Determination Date.

**"Exchange Act"**: The United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

**"Excluded Property"**: U.S.\$250 (attributable to the issue and allotment of the Issuer Ordinary Shares) and a U.S.\$250 transaction fee paid to the Issuer, the bank account in which those amounts are credited in the Cayman Islands and any interest earned on those amounts.

**"Expense Reimbursement Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(c).

**"Extended Reinvestment Period End Date"**: If an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Reinvestment Period End Date (or, in the case of the first Extension pursuant to Section 2.4, the Payment Date in May, 2016).

**"Extended Stated Maturity Date"**: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Stated Maturity Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Payment Date in February, 2021).

**"Extended Weighted Average Life Date"**: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Weighted Average Life Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Weighted Average Life Date, March 15, 2018).

**"Extension"**: An extension of the Reinvestment Period, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test pursuant to Section 2.4.

**"Extension Bonus Payment"**: With respect to each Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable beneficial owner and the Insurer set forth in Section 2.4(g), in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Senior Class A Notes (other than the Class A-1g Notes), 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class A-1g Notes, 0.125% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Date (provided, however, if the Policy has been terminated prior to or in connection with such Maturity Extension, each applicable beneficial owner of the Class A-1g Notes will instead receive an amount equal to 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Date), (3) to the Insurer, 0.125% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1g Notes as of the applicable Extension Date (provided, however, if the Policy has been terminated prior to or in connection with such Maturity Extension, the Insurer shall not be entitled to an Extension Bonus Payment pursuant to this clause (3)), (4) in the case of the Class A-2 Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding



Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (5) in the case of the Class A-3 Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (6) in the case of the Class B Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date and (7) in the case of the Class C Notes, 0.50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

**"Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification"**: With respect to each Maturity Extension and each beneficial owner of Notes other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such beneficial owner acceptable to the Issuer to the effect that it held Notes other than Extension Sale Securities on the applicable Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof and wire transfer instructions for the Extension Bonus Payment and any required documentation thereunder.

**"Extension Conditions"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Determination Date"**: The 8<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to each Extension Effective Date.

**"Extension Effective Date"**: If an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extension Effective Date (or, in the case of the first Extension Effective Date, the Payment Date in May, 2010).

**"Extension Notice"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Purchase Price"**: The purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with each Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the applicable Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date) plus, in the case of the Fixed Rate Notes, the applicable Make-Whole Premium, (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since the Closing Date would cause such Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); provided, however, that if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Preference Shares shall be zero and (iii) in the case of the Class 1 Composite Securities, the sum of (x) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (ii) in respect of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 1 Composite Security Preference Share Component, (y) the Treasury Strip Market Value and (z) the Composite Security Make-Up Amount.

**"Extension Qualifying Purchasers"**: The Portfolio Manager (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); provided that in the event the Portfolio Manager elects not to purchase Securities or Preference Shares from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.4(c), "Extension Qualifying Purchasers" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Portfolio Manager; provided, however, none of the Portfolio Manager,

the Initial Purchaser, or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

**"Extension Sale Notice"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Sale Notice Period"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Sale Securities"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Face Amount"**: With respect to any Preference Share, the amount set forth therein as the "face amount", which "face amount" thereof shall be \$1,000 per Preference Share.

**"Finance Lease"**: A lease agreement or other agreement entered into in connection with and evidencing a Leasing Finance Transaction.

**"Financial Asset"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(9) of the UCC.

**"Financing Statements"**: Financing statements relating to the Collateral naming the Issuer as debtor and the Trustee on behalf of the Secured Parties as secured party and relating to the Class 1 Collateral naming the Issuer as debtor and the Trustee on behalf of the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities as secured party.

**"Fixed Rate Excess"**: As of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose numerator is the product of:

- (i) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date over the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, and
- (ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date,

and whose denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Fixed Rate Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Spread Excess were equal to zero.

**"Fixed Rate Notes"**: The Class A-1b Notes and the Class A-3b Notes.

**"Fixed Rate Obligation"**: Any Collateral Obligation that bears interest at a fixed rate, including a Collateral Obligation that does not bear interest on a floating rate index and whose interest rate is scheduled to increase one or more times over the life of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Floating Rate Obligation"**: Any Collateral Obligation that bears interest based on a floating rate index.

**"Form-Approved Synthetic Security":** A Synthetic Security

(i) (A) each of the Reference Obligations of which satisfy the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and could be purchased by the Issuer without any required action by the Rating Agencies, without satisfaction of the Rating Condition or which the Rating Agencies have otherwise approved; or

(B) each of the Reference Obligations of which would satisfy clause (A) above but for the currency in which the Reference Obligation is payable and the Synthetic Security is payable in Dollars, does not provide for physical settlement, and does not expose the Issuer to Dollar currency risk;

(ii) the Synthetic Security Agreement of which conforms (but for the amount and timing of periodic payments, the name of the Reference Obligation, the notional amount, the effective date, the termination date, and other similar necessary changes) to a form that has been expressly identified and approved in writing in connection with a request under this Indenture by Moody's and S&P; and

(iii) that is with a counterparty with respect to which the Rating Condition has been satisfied by each of Moody's and S&P prior to the acquisition of any such Form-Approved Synthetic Security, and such approval has not been withdrawn.

Moody's or S&P may at any time, by notice to the Portfolio Manager, withdraw its approval of any such form. A withdrawal of approval shall have no effect on any Synthetic Security acquired, entered into, or committed to before the date on which the Portfolio Manager receives the notice of withdrawal.

**"GAAP":** The meaning specified in Section 6.3(j).

**"Global Securities":** Any Regulation S Global Securities or Rule 144A Global Notes.

**"Grant":** To grant, bargain, sell, warrant, alienate, remise, demise, release, convey, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge, create, and grant a security interest in and right of setoff against, deposit, set over, and confirm. A Grant of the Pledged Obligations, or of any other instrument, shall include all rights, powers, and options of the granting party thereunder, including the immediate continuing right to claim for, collect, receive, and receipt for principal and interest payments in respect of the Pledged Obligations, and all other monies payable thereunder, to give and receive notices and other communications, to make waivers or other agreements, to exercise all rights and options, to bring Proceedings in the name of the granting party or otherwise, and generally to do and receive anything that the granting party is or may be entitled to do or receive thereunder or with respect thereto.

**"Hedge Agreements":** Collectively, all interest rate cap or interest rate swap agreements between the Issuer and any Hedge Counterparty, and any replacement agreement entered into pursuant to Section 15.2.

**"Hedge Counterparty":** JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association or any other counterparty, to the extent that when the Issuer enters into any Hedge Agreement with JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association or the other counterparty, JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association or the other counterparty satisfies the requirements of Section 15.2(b)

(subject, in the case of any other counterparty, to satisfaction of the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency).

**"Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(d).

**"Hedge Termination Receipt"**: Any termination payment paid by the Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer upon any early termination of a Hedge Agreement with respect to which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**"High-Yield Bond"**: Any debt security other than a Loan, including any Structured Finance Obligation, that is either Registered or, if not Registered, (i) it is issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States, (ii) the payments on it are not subject to United States withholding tax and (iii) it is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**"Holder"**: Of any Note or Composite Security, the person whose name appears on the Indenture Register as the registered holder of the Note or Composite Security; and of any Preference Share (including any Preference Share underlying the Preference Share Component), the person whose name appears in the Preference Share register related thereto as the registered holder of such Preference Share.

**"Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice"**: A notice substantially in the form of Exhibit H-2.

**"Incentive Management Fee"**: On each Payment Date, the fee payable to the Portfolio Manager in an amount equal to: (i) 20% of the remaining Interest Proceeds, if any, available after making the distributions on such Payment pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(i)(21) of the Priority of Payments and (ii) 20% of the remaining Principal Proceeds, if any, available for payment in respect of the Incentive Management Fee pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(6)(A) of the Priority of Payments and, if applicable, Section 11.1(a)(ii)(9) of the Priority of Payments.

**"Indemnification Agreement"**: The Indemnification Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, among the Issuer, the Insurer and J.P. Morgan Securities Inc., as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Indenture"**: This instrument as originally executed and, if from time to time supplemented or amended by one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture entered into pursuant to this Indenture, as so supplemented or amended.

**"Indenture Register"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.6(a).

**"Indenture Registrar"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.6(a).

**"Independent"**: As to any person, any other person (including, in the case of an accountant or lawyer, a firm of accountants or lawyers, and any member of the firm, or an investment bank and any member of the bank) who

(i) does not have and is not committed to acquire any material direct or any material indirect financial interest in the person or in any Affiliate of the person, and

(ii) is not connected with the person as an Officer, employee, promoter, underwriter, voting trustee, partner, director, or person performing similar functions.

"Independent" when used with respect to any accountant may include an accountant who audits the books of the person if in addition to satisfying the criteria above the accountant is independent with respect to the person within the meaning of Rule 101 of the Code of Ethics of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

Whenever any Independent person's opinion or certificate is to be furnished to the Trustee or the Insurer, the opinion or certificate shall state that the signer has read this definition and that the signer is Independent within the meaning of this Indenture.

**"Initial Consent Period"**: The period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee provided notice of a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2(c) to the Holders of Securities and Preference Shares.

**"Initial Purchaser"**: J.P. Morgan Securities Inc.

**"Initial Rating"**: The ratings by Moody's and S&P with respect to each Class of Notes and the Composite Securities provided in the table in Section 2.3(a).

**"Initial Shadow Rating"**: With respect to the Class A-1g Notes, that rating or ratings which reflects the ratings assigned to the Class A-1g Notes by Moody's and S&P on the Closing Date without giving effect to the Policy.

**"Insolvency Event"**: With respect to any person, means that:

(i) an involuntary proceeding shall be commenced or an involuntary petition shall be filed seeking:

(A) liquidation, reorganization, or other relief in respect of the person or its debts, or of all or substantially all of its assets, under any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar law now or hereafter in effect, or

(B) the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, conservator, or similar official for the person or for all or substantially all of its assets,

and, in any such case, the proceeding or petition shall continue undismissed for 30 days; or an order or decree approving or ordering any of the foregoing shall be entered, or

(ii) the person shall:

(A) voluntarily commence any proceeding or file any petition seeking liquidation, reorganization, or other relief under any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar law now or hereafter in effect,

(B) consent to the institution of, or fail to contest in a timely and appropriate manner, any proceeding or petition described in clause (i) above,

(C) apply for or consent to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, or conservator or for all or substantially all of its assets,

(D) file an answer admitting the material allegations of a petition filed against it in any such proceeding, or

(E) make a general assignment for the benefit of creditors.

**"Insolvency Proceeding"**: The meaning specified in Section 16.4(b).

**"Instrument"**: The meaning specified in Section 9-102(a)(47) of the UCC.

**"Insurance Agreement"**: The Insurance and Indemnity Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, among the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Insurer, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Insurance Documents"**: The Policy, the Insurance Agreement, the Indemnification Agreement and the Premium Letter.

**"Insured Amount"**: The meaning assigned to the term "Insured Amount" in the Policy.

**"Insured Notes"**: The Class A-1g Notes.

**"Insurer"**: As defined in the first sentence of this Indenture.

**"Insurer Default"**: The occurrence and continuation of any one of the following events:

(i) the Insurer fails to make a payment required under the Policy in accordance with its terms;

(ii) the Insurer (A) files any petition or commences any case or Proceeding under any provision or chapter of the Bankruptcy Code or any other similar federal or state law relating to the insolvency, bankruptcy, rehabilitation, liquidation or reorganization, (B) makes a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors, or (C) has an order for relief entered against it under the Bankruptcy Code or any other similar federal or state law relating to insolvency, bankruptcy, rehabilitation, liquidation or reorganization which is final and nonappealable; or

(iii) a court of competent jurisdiction, the New York Department of Insurance or other competent regulatory authority enters a final and nonappealable order, judgment or decree (A) appointing a custodian, trustee, agent or receiver for the Insurer or for all or any material portion of its property or (B) authorizing the taking of possession by a custodian, trustee, agent or receiver of the Insurer (or the taking of possession of all or any material portion of the property of the Insurer).

**"Interest Coverage Ratio"**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes (treating the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes as one Class for this purpose) on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by dividing:

- (i) the sum of:
  - (A) the Interest Proceeds received or scheduled to be received with respect to the Due Period in which the Measurement Date occurs, *minus*
  - (B) amounts payable under clauses (1), (2), (3) and (4) of Section 11.1(a)(i) on the related Payment Date, by:
- (ii) the sum of:
  - (A) all accrued and unpaid interest on the specified Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to the Class (excluding any Deferred Interest) on the related Payment Date, *plus*
  - (B) any accrued and unpaid Premium on the related Payment Date.

For purposes of the Interest Coverage Ratio, only the amount of any interest payment (including any "gross up" payment) on any Collateral Obligation in excess of any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction on any date of determination shall be included in Interest Proceeds.

**"Interest Coverage Test":** A test the first Measurement Date for which will be on the second Payment Date and that is satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes (treating the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes as one Class for this purpose) if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level in the table below for the specified Class:

<u>Test</u>	<u>Required Level</u>
Class A Interest Coverage Test	120.00%
Class B Interest Coverage Test	115.00%
Class C Interest Coverage Test	110.00%

**"Interest Period":** Initially, the period from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the first Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date; provided, however, that the "Payment Date" solely for purposes of determining the Interest Period for the Fixed Rate Notes will be the 1<sup>st</sup> day of each February, May, August and November, regardless of whether such day is a Business Day.

**"Interest Proceeds":** With respect to any Due Period, the sum (without duplication) of all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period (or as otherwise specified below) by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are:

- (i) payments of interest, fees, and commissions (excluding (A) Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal, (B) interest and dividends on Workout Assets, (C) fees and commissions from Defaulted Collateral Obligations, and (D) syndication and

other up-front fees and any up-front fixed payments received in connection with entering into a Synthetic Security);

(ii) any portion of the Sale Proceeds of a Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) representing Accrued Interest On Sale;

(iii) all payments of principal on, or disposition proceeds from the sale of, Eligible Investments to the extent purchased with Interest Proceeds;

(iv) payments with respect to the Hedge Agreements received on or before the related Payment Date (other than any amount payable thereunder because of any early termination or notional amount reduction), but not any Sale Proceeds from any of these instruments (except to the extent that they were purchased with Interest Proceeds);

(v) all fees received pursuant to any Securities Lending Agreements;

(vi) during the continuance of an "event of default" (under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement), all interest received from the related Securities Lending Collateral;

(vii) amounts in the Collection Account designated for distribution as Interest Proceeds pursuant to the Priority of Payments (including any amount transferred from the Interest Reserve Account);

(viii) all earnings on amounts in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account and the Revolving Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.3(b);

(ix) amounts in the Expense Reimbursement Account on the Payment Date for the relevant Due Period; and

(x) any recoveries (including interest) received on a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in excess of the principal balance of such Defaulted Collateral Obligation (as of the date the related Collateral Obligation became a Defaulted Collateral Obligation).

Interest Proceeds shall not include the Excluded Property and Interest Proceeds shall not include earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

If an Interim Ramp-Up Completion Date Failure has occurred and is continuing on the first Payment Date, all Interest Proceeds remaining after application of Interest Proceeds pursuant to clauses (1) through (20) of Section 11.1(a) shall be deemed to be Interest Proceeds received in the Due Period relating to the second Payment Date and not available for distribution on such first Payment Date.

Each reference in the definition of "Interest Proceeds" to a Collateral Obligation shall include a Collateral Obligation that has been loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and Interest Proceeds shall include any amounts referred to in clauses (i) through (iii) above received by the Issuer in respect of the Collateral Obligation indirectly from the related Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement.



**"Interest Reserve Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(i).

**"Interim Ramp-Up Completion Date Failure"**: The failure of the Issuer to satisfy the criteria set forth in Section 7.19(e) on or before July 1, 2005; notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Issuer receives a Rating Confirmation after an Interim Ramp-Up Completion Date Failure but before the first Payment Date, such Interim Ramp-Up Completion Date Failure shall not be deemed to have occurred.

**"Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance"**: For any Collateral Obligation other than Deep Discount Obligations, its Principal Balance; and for any Deep Discount Obligation its Purchase Price; provided, however, that if any Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations exist, the Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance for the Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations shall be the lower of (i) the weighted average Market Value of all CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances and (ii) the product of (a) 70% and (b) their respective Principal Balance.

**"Investment Obligation"**: For a Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security, and otherwise the Collateral Obligation.

**"Irish Listing and Paying Agent"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.2.

**"Issuer"**: The person named as such on the first page of this Indenture.

**"Issuer Accounts"**: The meaning assigned in the Granting Clauses.

**"Issuer Order"** and **"Issuer Request"**: A written order or request dated and signed in the name of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, or by the Portfolio Manager by an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

**"Issuer Ordinary Shares"**: The ordinary shares, par value \$1.00 per share, of the Issuer which have been issued by the Issuer and are outstanding from time to time.

**"Junior Class"**: With respect to a particular Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that is subordinated to that Class, as indicated in Section 13.1.

**"Knowledgeable Employee"**: The meaning specified in Rule 3c-5 under the Investment Company Act.

**"Leasing Finance Transaction"**: Any transaction pursuant to which the obligations of the lessee to pay rent or other amounts on a triple net basis under any lease of (or other arrangement conveying the right to use) real or personal property, or a combination thereof, are required to be classified and accounted for as a capital lease on a balance sheet of such lessee under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America; but only if (a) such lease or other transaction provides for the unconditional obligation of the lessee to pay a stated amount of principal no later than a stated maturity date, together with interest thereon, and the payment of such obligation is not subject to any material non-credit related risk as determined by the Portfolio Manager, (b) the obligations of the lessee in respect of such lease or other transaction are fully secured, directly or indirectly, by the property that is the subject of such lease and (c) the interest held by the Issuer in respect of such lease or other transaction is treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

**"LIBOR"**: Determined by the Calculation Agent for any Interest Period, the offered rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent, for three month Dollar deposits that appears on Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News (or a page that replaces Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), as of 11:00 A.M. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period.

If, on the second Business Day before the first day of any relevant Interest Period, that rate does not appear on Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Market Commodities News (or a page that replaces Moneyline Telerate Page 3750 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), the Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks to prime banks in the London interbank market for three month Dollar deposits in Europe, by reference to requests by the Calculation Agent to four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Portfolio Manager) (the **"Reference Banks"**) for quotations as of approximately 11:00 A.M. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the Interest Period. If at least two of the Reference Banks provide quotations as requested, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean. If fewer than two Reference Banks provide quotations, LIBOR shall be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that leading banks in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Portfolio Manager) are quoting to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period for three month Dollar deposits.

If the Calculation Agent is unable to determine a rate in accordance with any of the above procedures, LIBOR for the Interest Period shall be calculated on the last day of the Interest Period and shall be the arithmetic mean of the rate of interest for each day during the Interest Period determined by the Calculation Agent as being the rate of interest most recently announced by the Bank at its New York office as its base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans (or if the Bank ceases to exist or is not quoting a base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans, another major money center commercial bank in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Portfolio Manager)).

For the first Interest Period, LIBOR shall be determined based on the actual number of days in the Interest Period using straight-line interpolation of two rates calculated in accordance with the above procedure, except that instead of using three month deposits, one rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next shorter than the Interest Period and the other rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next longer than the Interest Period. All calculations shall be calculated to at least four decimal places and rounded to four decimal places.

**"Loan"**: Any interest in a fully committed, senior secured, unsecured, or revolving loan (including loans involving credit linked deposits) that is acquired by assignment or by Participation (including any DIP Loan) that is either:

- (i) Registered, or
- (ii) issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States:

(A) whose payments are not subject to United States withholding tax; and

(B) that is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**"Long-Dated Collateral Obligation"**: Any Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturity of the Notes other than a Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturities of the Notes that includes a "put" option to its obligor at a price of at least par payable on or before the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

**"Majority"**: With respect to any Class or group of Notes or Composite Securities or the Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Composite Securities or Preference Shares, as the case may be (treating the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes as separate Classes). When used with respect to the Class A-1g Notes, the Insurer if the Insurer is the Controlling Class. When used with respect to the Controlling Class, the Insurer if the Insurer is the Controlling Class, and if the Insurer is not the Controlling Class, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class.

**"Make-Whole Premium"**: With respect to the Fixed Rate Notes, the premium payable to the Holders of the Fixed Rate Notes in connection with (i) an Optional Redemption of such Notes (other than in connection with a Tax Event), (ii) the purchase of such Notes that are Extension Sale Securities in connection with the Maturity Extension, if any, or (iii) the purchase of such Notes in connection with an Amendment Buy-Out, as applicable, in each case in an amount equal to the excess, if any, of (x) the present value (discounted to the Redemption Date, Extension Effective Date or date of Amendment Buy-Out, as applicable, using the Reinvestment Yield as the discount rate on a semi-annual basis using a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months) of the remaining payments of interest and principal due on the Fixed Rate Notes, assuming that the entire outstanding principal amount of the applicable Fixed Rate Notes will be paid at the end of the Remaining Life Date and that each intervening payment of interest on the Fixed Rate Notes will be made on the related Payment Date in its entirety (and therefore there is no Deferred Interest on the Fixed Rate Notes) over (y) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the applicable Fixed Rate Notes on the Redemption Date, Extension Effective Date or date of Amendment Buy-Out, as applicable; provided that, in no event shall any Make-Whole Premium be less than zero.

**"Management Agreement"**: The Portfolio Management Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Management Fee"**: The Senior Management Fee, the Subordinated Management Fee, and the Incentive Management Fee. The Portfolio Manager may, in its sole discretion:

(i) waive all or any portion of the Management Fee, any funds representing the waived Management Fees to be retained in the Collection Account for distribution as either Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds (as determined by the Portfolio Manager) pursuant to the Priority of Payments; or

(ii) defer all or any portion of the Management Fee, any funds representing the deferred Management Fees to be retained in the Collection Account, when they will

become payable in the same manner and priority as their original characterization would have required unless deferred again.

**"Margin Stock":** "Margin Stock" as defined under Regulation U issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, including any debt security that is by its terms convertible into Margin Stock, but does not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation received pursuant to an offer by an issuer of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**"Market Value":** As of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Portfolio Manager and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any Collateral Obligation based upon the Portfolio Manager's commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the lower of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Portfolio Manager from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the bid-side prices for the purchase of the Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Portfolio Manager) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Portfolio Manager); provided that if a Market Value of any Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined for a period of 30 consecutive days then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero; provided, further, that during such 30 day period, such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the lower of (i) (if any) the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as most recently determined by the Portfolio Manager in accordance with the foregoing and (ii) the current market value of such Collateral Obligation as determined by the Portfolio Manager in its commercially reasonable judgment; provided, further, that the maximum amount of Collateral Obligations having a Market Value assigned pursuant to the immediately preceding proviso shall be limited to 5.0% of the Maximum Investment Amount (and any amount in excess of 5.0% of the Maximum Investment Amount shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero).

**"Market Value Percentage":** For any Collateral Obligation, the ratio obtained by dividing:

- (i) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation, *by*
- (ii) the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Maturity":** With respect to any Note, the date on which the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable as provided in the Note or this Indenture, whether at the Stated Maturity or by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise.

**"Maturity Extension":** The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Maximum Investment Amount":** An amount equal to:

- (i) on any Measurement Date during the Ramp-Up Period, U.S.\$663,000,000; and
- (ii) on any Measurement Date after the Ramp-Up Completion Date:

(A) the aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations plus the aggregate outstanding principal amount of any Defaulted Collateral Obligations, *plus*

(B) Cash representing Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account, *plus*

(C) Eligible Investments (other than Cash) purchased by the Issuer with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account.

**"Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor"**: As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the sum of (i) the number set forth in the column entitled "Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Portfolio Manager (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable) plus (ii) the Recovery Rate Modifier.

**"Measurement Date"**: Any date:

(i) on which the Issuer commits to acquire or dispose of any Collateral Obligation,

(ii) on which a Collateral Obligation becomes a Defaulted Collateral Obligation,

(iii) that is a Determination Date,

(iv) that is the Ramp-Up Completion Date, and

(v) that is the date as of which the information in a Monthly Report is calculated pursuant to Section 10.6.

**"Memorandum and Articles of Association"**: The memorandum and articles of association of the Issuer, as amended and restated before the Closing Date or in accordance with this Indenture.

**"Merging Entity"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.10.

**"Minimum Diversity Score"**: As of any Measurement Date, a score equal to the number set forth in the column entitled "Minimum Diversity Score" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Portfolio Manager (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**"Minimum Weighted Average Spread"**: As of any Measurement Date, the spread equal to the percentage set forth in the row entitled "Minimum Weighted Average Spread" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Portfolio Manager (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**"Monthly Determination Date"**: The meaning specified in Section 10.6(a).

**"Monthly Report"**: The meaning specified in Section 10.6(a).

**"Moody's":** Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

**"Moody's Default Probability Rating":** The meaning set forth in Schedule 8.

**"Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating":** The meaning set forth in Schedule 8.

**"Moody's Group I Country":** Any of the following countries: Australia, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group I Country.

**"Moody's Group II Country":** Any of the following countries: Germany, Ireland, Sweden, Switzerland and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group II Country.

**"Moody's Group III Country":** Any of the following countries: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, Spain and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group III Country.

**"Moody's Industry Classification":** The industry classifications in Schedule 2 as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by Moody's.

**"Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate":** As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the number obtained by

- (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate,
- (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations, and
- (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

**"Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan":** Any Loan that is not a Moody's Senior Secured Loan.

**"Moody's Obligation Rating":** The meaning set forth in Schedule 8.

**"Moody's Priority Category":** Each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" as a "Moody's Priority Category."

**"Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate":** For any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" opposite the Moody's Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Rating":** The meaning set forth in Schedule 8.

**"Moody's Rating Factor":** The number in the table below opposite the rating of the Collateral Obligation (excluding Synthetic Securities where an Assigned Moody's Rating is not available).

<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>	<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>
Aaa	1	Ba1	940
Aa1	10	Ba2	1350
Aa2	20	Ba3	1766
Aa3	40	B1	2220
A1	70	B2	2720
A2	120	B3	3490
A3	180	Caa1	4770
Baa1	260	Caa2	6500
Baa2	360	Caa3	8070
Baa3	610	Ca or lower	10000

The Moody's Rating Factor for Collateral Obligations that are Synthetic Securities shall be determined by Moody's and obtained by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on a case-by-case basis, unless there is an Assigned Moody's Rating available for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, in which case such Assigned Moody's Rating shall be used to compute the Moody's Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security.

**"Moody's Senior Secured Loan":**

(a) A Loan that:

(i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan,

(ii) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan, and

(iii) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal seniority secured by a first lien or security interest in the same collateral, or

(b) a Loan that:

(i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan, other than, with respect to a Loan

described in clause (a) above, with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such loan,

(ii) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan, and

(iii) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by a first or second lien or security interest in the same collateral,

(c) the Loan is not: (i) a DIP Loan, (ii) a Loan for which the security interest or lien (or the validity or effectiveness thereof) in substantially all of its collateral attaches, becomes effective, or otherwise "springs" into existence after the origination thereof, or (iii) a type of loan that Moody's has identified as having unusual terms and with respect to which its Moody's Recovery Rate has been or is to be determined on a case-by-case basis, and

(d) if the Loan has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating is not lower than the senior implied Moody's rating of the related obligor.

**"Non-Call Period"**: The period from the Closing Date to but not including the Payment Date in May, 2010.

**"Non-Consenting Holder"**: With respect to any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities or Preference Shares, any Holder or, in the case of Securities or Preference Shares represented by Global Securities, any beneficial owner, that either (i) has declared in writing that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) had not consented to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

**"Nonpayment by the Issuer"**: The meaning set forth in the Policy.

**"Non-Performing Collateral Obligation"**: Any Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any PIK Security as to which its issuer or obligor has previously deferred or capitalized any interest due on it and all the interest so deferred or capitalized has not subsequently been paid in full in cash by:

(i) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above, the earlier of its second payment date or one year following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it, or

(ii) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "Baa3," or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "BBB-," the earlier of its first payment date or six months following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it.



**"Non-Permitted Holder"**: A Holder or beneficial owner of an interest in a Certificated Composite Security or Global Security that is a U.S. person and (i) is not a QIB/QP and that becomes the beneficial owner of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note, (ii) with respect to the Composite Securities evidenced by a Certificated Composite Security, is not (x) a QIB/QP or (y) an Accredited Investor and a Qualified Purchaser or (iii) does not have an exemption available under the Securities Act.

**"Note Break-Even Loss Rate"**: With respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the maximum percentage of defaults that the Current Portfolio or Proposed Portfolio can sustain and nevertheless sufficient funds will remain for the payment of principal of the Class of Notes in full by its Stated Maturity and the timely payment of interest on the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes and the ultimate payment of interest on the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes using S&P's assumptions on recoveries, defaults, and timing, and taking into account the Priority of Payments and the adjusted Weighted Average Spread level specified in the applicable row of the table below. The adjusted Weighted Average Spread as of any Measurement Date is the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date minus the amount of any Spread Excess added to the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon as of the Measurement Date.

Row	Adjusted Weighted Average Spread
1	Greater than or equal to 3.05%
2	Greater than or equal to 2.95% but less than 3.05%
3	Greater than or equal to 2.85% but less than 2.95%
4	Greater than or equal to 2.75% but less than 2.85%
5	Greater than or equal to 2.65% but less than 2.75%
6	Greater than or equal to 2.55% but less than 2.65%
7	Greater than or equal to 2.45% but less than 2.55%

**"Note Class Loss Differential"**: With respect to any Measurement Date and any Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the rate calculated by subtracting the Class Scenario Loss Rate for the Class from the then-applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate for the Class of Notes.

**"Noteholder"**: A Holder of the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes or the Class C Notes.

**"Note Interest Rate"**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate payable on the Notes of the Class with respect to each Interest Period equal to (i) in the case of the Notes (other than the Fixed Rate Notes), LIBOR for Eurodollar deposits for the applicable Interest Period plus the spread specified in the "Interest Rate" rows of the tables in Section 2.3 with respect to such Notes except in the first Interest Period and (ii) in the case of the Fixed Rate Notes, the rate specified for them in Section 2.3.

**"Note Payment Sequence"**: The application of funds in the following order:

- (1) to the Senior Class A Notes until the Senior Class A Notes have been fully redeemed (with each of the Senior Class A Notes being redeemed *pro rata* based

upon the outstanding principal amount of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-1b Notes and the Class A-1g Notes);

(2) to the Class A-2 Notes until the Class A-2 Notes have been fully redeemed;

(3) to the Class A-3 Notes until the Class A-3 Notes have been fully redeemed (with each of the Class A-3 Notes being redeemed *pro rata* based upon the outstanding principal amount of the Class A-3a Notes and the Class A-3b Notes);

(4) to the Class B Notes until the Class B Notes have been fully redeemed; and

(5) to the Class C Notes until the Class C Notes have been fully redeemed.

**"Notes"**: The Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes authorized by, and authenticated and delivered under, this Indenture or any supplemental indenture.

**"Offer"**: The meaning specified in Section 10.7(c).

**"Offering"**: The offering of the Notes and the Composite Securities.

**"Offering Circular"**: The final Offering Circular, dated March 9, 2005, prepared and delivered in connection with the offer and sale of the Notes, the Composite Securities and the Preference Shares.

**"Officer"**: With respect to the Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to the Co-Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to any partnership, any of its general partners; and with respect to the Trustee, any Trust Officer.

**"Opinion of Counsel"**: A written opinion addressed to the Trustee, the Insurer and each Rating Agency, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and each Rating Agency, of an attorney at law (or law firm with one or more partners) reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and admitted to practice before the highest court of any state of the United States or the District of Columbia (or the Cayman Islands, in the case of an opinion relating to the laws of the Cayman Islands), which attorney (or law firm) may, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, be counsel for the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. Whenever an Opinion of Counsel is required under this Indenture, the Opinion of Counsel may rely on opinions of other counsel who are so admitted and so satisfactory, which opinions of other counsel shall accompany the Opinion of Counsel and shall either be addressed to the Trustee and each Rating Agency or shall state that the Trustee and each Rating Agency may rely on it. An Opinion of Counsel may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion.

**"Optional Redemption"**: A redemption of the Notes in accordance with Section 9.2.

**"Other Indebtedness"**: The meaning specified in the definition of "Defaulted Collateral Obligation."

**"Outstanding"**: With respect to:

(a) the Notes and the Composite Securities or any specified Class, as of any date of determination, all of the Notes, all of the Composite Securities, or all of the Notes or Composite Securities of the specified Class, as the case may be, theretofore authenticated and delivered under this Indenture, except with respect to Notes and Composite Securities:

(i) Securities canceled by the Indenture Registrar or delivered to the Indenture Registrar for cancellation;

(ii) Notes for whose payment or redemption funds in the necessary amount have been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for their Holders pursuant to Section 4.1(a)(ii) and if the Notes are to be redeemed, notice of redemption has been duly given pursuant to this Indenture;

(iii) Notes in exchange for or in lieu of which other Notes have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to this Indenture and Composite Securities in exchange for or in lieu of which other Composite Securities have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to this Indenture; and

(iv) Securities alleged to have been destroyed, lost, or stolen for which replacement Securities have been issued as provided in Section 2.7, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Securities are held by a protected purchaser;

(b) the Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Preference Share Documents and listed in the Preference Share register of the Issuer as outstanding;

provided that, in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes, the Preference Shares or the Composite Securities have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, or waiver under this Indenture,

(1) to the extent the Class A-1g Notes have been paid with proceeds of the Policy and subject to Section 16.5, such Class A-1g Notes shall continue to remain Outstanding for purposes of this Indenture until the Insurer has been paid as subrogee hereunder and reimbursed pursuant to the Insurance Agreement, as evidenced by a written notice from the Insurer delivered to the Trustee, and the Insurer shall be deemed the Holder thereof, to the extent of any payments thereon made by the Insurer;

(2) Holders of Composite Securities, except to the extent otherwise expressly provided, will be entitled to vote with the Preference Shares to which the Preference Share Component of such Composite Securities relates, with a face amount equal to the aggregate Face Amount of the Preference Shares relating to such Preference Share Component; and

(3) Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares owned or beneficially owned by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, any Affiliate of either of them and

(only (x) with respect to any matter affecting its status as Portfolio Manager, or (y) in any matter respecting an acceleration of any Class of Notes or Composite Securities if the effect of the Portfolio Manager's action or inaction as a Holder of Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares would effectively prevent acceleration) the Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates shall be disregarded and not be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, or waiver, only Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares that a Trust Officer of the Trustee has actual knowledge to be so owned or beneficially owned shall be so disregarded. Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares so owned or beneficially owned that have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee the pledgee's right so to act with respect to the Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares and that the pledgee is not the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any Affiliate of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

With respect to Components, as of any date of determination, all of the Components represented by Composite Securities that are Outstanding under this Indenture or the Preference Share Documents.

**"Overcollateralization Ratio"**: With respect to any Class of Notes (treating the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes as one Class for this purpose) on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by *dividing*:

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator; by
- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it together with any Deferred Interest on the Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it.

**"Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator"**: On any date, the sum of:

- (1) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (other than any Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, any Deep Discount Obligations, and any Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an "event of default" (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing); *plus*
- (2) unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal (excluding any unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal in respect of Non-Performing Collateral Obligations); *plus*
- (3) the Aggregate Principal Balance of any Eligible Investments that were purchased with Principal Proceeds and the amount of Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
- (4) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Eligible Investments on deposit in a Securities Lending Account that relate to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an "event of default" (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing; *plus*

(5) with respect Collateral Obligation that are Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, Deep Discount Obligations or Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, the amount determined by using one of the following methods applicable to such type of Collateral Obligation; provided that if a Collateral Obligation falls within more than one of such types, the Issuer will be required to use the method that results in the smallest amount:

(A) with respect to any Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, an amount equal to the product of (i) the lower of (1) 70% and (2) the weighted average Market Value of all CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances *multiplied* by (ii) the Excess CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations;

(B) with respect to any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, the aggregate of the Applicable Collateral Obligation Amounts for all included Non-Performing Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations that have been held by the Issuer for more than three years, which shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this clause (B)); and

(C) with respect to any Deep Discount Obligations, the Aggregate Purchase Price Amount for all Deep Discount Obligations.

As used in this definition, "***Applicable Collateral Obligation Amount***" for any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation means:

(a) the lesser of:

(x) the Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation; and

(y) the Applicable Percentage for the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation;

*multiplied* by:

(b) if the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation is:

(1) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (2) through (4) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;

(2) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;

(3) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and

(4) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

As used in the calculation of Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation, the Principal Balance of any Defaulted Obligation shall be, if the Defaulted Obligation is:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (ii) through (iv) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and
- (iv) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

**"Overcollateralization Test":** A test that is satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes (treating the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes as one Class for this purpose) if, as of any Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the required level for the specified Class indicated in the table below:

<u>Test</u>	<u>Required Level</u>
Class A Overcollateralization Test	113.40%
Class B Overcollateralization Test	108.00%
Class C Overcollateralization Test	106.30%

**"Participating Institution":** An institution that creates a participation interest and that has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" (and if so rated by Moody's such rating is not on watch for possible downgrade) and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A".

**"Participation":** A Loan acquired as a participation interest created by a Participating Institution.

**"Paying Agent":** Any person authorized by the Issuer to pay the principal of or interest on any Notes or to pay any amounts on any Composite Securities on behalf of the Issuer as specified in Section 7.2.

**"Payment Account":** The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(h).

**"Payment Date":** The first day of February, May, August and November in each year, commencing in August 2005 or, if any such day is not a Business Day, the next following Business Day, any other date on which the Notes are redeemed or paid before their Stated Maturity, and at the Stated Maturity for the Notes.

**"Permitted Offer":** An Offer pursuant to which the offeror offers to acquire a debt obligation (including a Collateral Obligation) in exchange solely for cash in an amount equal to or greater than the full face amount of the debt obligation plus any accrued and unpaid interest

and as to which the Portfolio Manager has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the offeror has sufficient access to financing to consummate the Offer.

**"PIK Security"**: Any Collateral Obligation with respect to which its issuer or obligor may defer or capitalize interest due on the Collateral Obligation under the related Underlying Instruments.

**"Plan Asset Regulation"**: The regulation issued by the U.S. Department of Labor set forth at 29 CFR 2510.3-101 that, under specified circumstances, requires plan fiduciaries, and entities with certain specified relationships to an ERISA Plan, to "look through" investment vehicles (such as the Issuer) and treat as an "asset" of the plan each underlying investment made by such investment vehicle.

**"Pledged Obligations"**: As of any date of determination, the Collateral Obligations, the Workout Assets, the Eligible Investments, and any other securities or obligations that have been Granted to the Trustee that form part of the Collateral.

**"Policy"**: The Financial Guaranty Insurance Policy of the Insurer with respect to the Insured Notes, including any endorsements thereto.

**"Policy Payment Account"**: The meaning specified in Section 16.6.

**"Portfolio Manager"**: Highland Capital Management, L.P., and any successor Portfolio Manager pursuant to the Management Agreement.

**"Preference Claim"**: The meaning specified in Section 16.4(b).

**"Preference Share Component"**: The Class 1 Composite Security Preference Share Component.

**"Preference Share Distribution Account"**: A segregated bank account established by the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deposit all amounts received from the Issuer and payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares under the Priority of Payments.

**"Preference Share Documents"**: The Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the resolutions of the Issuer's Board of Directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

**"Preference Share Internal Rate of Return"**: With respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the "XIRR" function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for the following cash flows, assuming all Preference Shares were purchased on the Closing Date at par:

- (i) each distribution of Interest Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date and

(ii) each distribution of Principal Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date.

For purposes of this definition, distributions in respect of the Preference Share Components shall be deemed to have been received by the Holders of the Composite Securities on the Payment Date preceding the related Composite Securities Payment Date.

**"Preference Shares"**: The Preference Shares issued by the Issuer pursuant to the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association and the resolutions of the Issuer's Board of Directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

**"Preference Shares Distribution Amount"**: With respect to each Payment Date, an amount equal to 7.0% per annum of the Preference Shares Notional Amount (such Preference Shares Notional Amount reduced by any distribution prior to such Payment Date pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii) made in respect of the Preference Shares). The Preference Shares Distribution Amount shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

**"Preference Shares Notional Amount"**: Means, \$82,200,000.

**"Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement"**: The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, by and between the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

**"Preference Shares Paying Agent"**: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, in its capacity as Preference Shares Paying Agent under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter "Preference Shares Paying Agent" shall mean such successor person.

**"Premium"**: The meaning assigned to the term "Premium" in the Premium Letter.

**"Premium Letter"**: The letter agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Insurer in respect of the Premium payable by the Issuer in consideration of the issuance of the Policy.

**"Premium Rate"**: A per annum rate equal to the per annum rate at which the Premium accrues pursuant to the Premium Letter.

**"Principal Balance"**: With respect to:

(i) any Pledged Obligation other than those specifically covered in this definition, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;

(ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;



(iii) any Pledged Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest, zero, except as otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture;

(iv) any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, except as otherwise provided, zero;

(v) any Collateral Obligation that has been loaned, its Principal Balance shall be reduced by the excess of the amount of collateral required over the actual Market Value of the collateral;

(vi) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance shall include any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount), except as otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture;

(vii) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance shall not include any principal amount of the PIK Security representing previously deferred or capitalized interest; and

(viii) any obligation or security that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, zero.

**"Principal Proceeds"**: With respect to any Due Period, all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are not Interest Proceeds.

Principal Proceeds shall include any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account into the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.2.

Principal Proceeds do not include the Excluded Property or earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

At any time when an "event of default" under a Securities Lending Agreement has occurred and is continuing, any payments received by the Issuer from the related Securities Lending Collateral shall be Principal Proceeds.

**"Priority Class"**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that ranks senior to that Class, as indicated in Section 13.1.

**"Priority of Payments"**: The meaning specified in Section 11.1(a).

**"Proceeding"**: Any suit in equity, action at law, or other judicial or administrative proceeding.

**"Proposed Portfolio"**: As of any Measurement Date, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations and Principal Proceeds held as Cash on deposit in the Collection Account and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account resulting from the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or a proposed reinvestment in a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**"Purchase Agreement"**: A purchase agreement dated March 14, 2005 among the Co-Issuers and J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. relating to the initial purchase of the Purchased Securities, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Purchased Securities"**: The Notes, the Composite Securities and the portion of the Preference Shares, in each case purchased by the Initial Purchaser pursuant to the Purchase Agreement.

**"Purchase Price"**: With respect to the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (other than any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation), the net purchase price paid by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation. The net purchase price is determined by subtracting from the purchase price the amount of any Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal and any syndication and other upfront fees paid to the Issuer and by adding the amount of any related transaction costs (including assignment fees) paid by the Issuer to the seller of the Collateral Obligation or its agent.

**"Purchase Price Amount"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation on any date of determination, the product of (i) the Purchase Price (stated as a percentage) thereof and (ii) the Principal Balance thereof on such date.

**"QIB/QP"**: Any person that, at the time of its acquisition of Notes or Composite Securities is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser.

**"Qualified Equity Security"**: Any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that is stock or evidence of an interest in or a right to buy stock, or any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation but whose acquisition otherwise is a transaction in stocks or securities within the meaning of Section 864(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Code and the regulations under the Code. Qualified Equity Securities do not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation and that will cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in or having income from a United States trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes by virtue of its ownership or disposition of the obligation (without regard to the Issuer's other activities).

**"Qualified Institutional Buyer"**: The meaning specified in Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

**"Qualified Purchaser"**: The meaning specified in Section 2(a)(51) of the 1940 Act and Rule 2a51-2 under the 1940 Act.

**"Ramp-Up Completion Date"**: The earlier of:

- (i) the Business Day after the 179<sup>th</sup> day after the Closing Date, and
- (ii) the first date on which the following conditions are satisfied:
  - (x) (A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least \$663,000,000 or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased

(or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer with proceeds from the sale of the Securities (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be) equals at least \$663,000,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date); and

(y) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$663,000,000.

**"Ramp-Up Period"**: The period from and including the Closing Date to and including the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

**"Rating Agency"**: Each of Moody's and S&P or, with respect to Pledged Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or S&P ceases to provide rating services with respect to high yield debt securities, any other nationally recognized statistical rating organization selected by the Issuer and reasonably satisfactory to a Majority of each Class of Notes. If at any time Moody's ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of Moody's in this Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used. If at any time S&P ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of S&P in this Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and S&P published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used.

**"Rating Condition"**: With respect to any Rating Agency and any action taken or to be taken under this Indenture, a condition that is satisfied when the Rating Agency has confirmed to the Portfolio Manager (as agent for the Issuer) in writing that no withdrawal, reduction, suspension, or other adverse action with respect to any then current rating by it (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes (in the case of the Class A-1g Notes, without giving effect to the Policy) or Composite Securities will occur as a result of the action. The Rating Condition with respect to any Rating Agency shall be satisfied for all purposes of this Indenture at any time when no Outstanding Securities are rated by it.

**"Rating Confirmation"**: Confirmation from each Rating Agency (and with respect to the Composite Securities, from Moody's only) that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes or Composite Securities.

**"Rating Confirmation Failure"**: A failure by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Issuer) to obtain confirmation from S&P and written confirmation from Moody's that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn its Initial Rating of each Class of Notes and Composite Securities and that it has not placed any Class of Notes or Composite Securities on credit watch with negative implications by the Business Day after the 29th day after the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

**"Ratings Matrix"**: The "row/column combination" of the table below selected by the Portfolio Manager on the Closing Date to apply initially for purposes of the Diversity Test, the

Weighted Average Spread Test and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test. Thereafter, on notice to the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager may select a different row of the Ratings Matrix to apply, or may interpolate between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable, on a straight-line basis and round the results to two decimal points.

Minimum Weighted Average Spread	Minimum Diversity Score						
	50	55	60	65	70	75	80
2.45%	2185	2220	2255	2290	2325	2360	2395
2.55%	2245	2280	2315	2350	2385	2420	2455
2.65%	2305	2340	2375	2410	2445	2480	2515
2.75%	2365	2400	2435	2470	2505	2540	2575
2.85%	2425	2460	2495	2530	2565	2600	2635
2.95%	2485	2520	2555	2590	2625	2660	2695
3.05%	2545	2580	2615	2650	2685	2720	2755
Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor							

**"Recovery Rate Modifier"**: As of any Measurement Date, the lesser of 60 and the product of:

(i) (a) the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate minus the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test (but not less than zero) multiplied by (b) 100; and

(ii) 40.

**"Record Date"**: As to any Payment Date, the 15<sup>th</sup> day (whether or not a Business Day) before the Payment Date.

**"Redemption Date"**: Any Payment Date specified for an Optional Redemption of Securities pursuant to Section 9.2.

**"Redemption Price"**: With respect to any Note and any Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), an amount equal to:

(i) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of the Note being redeemed, plus

(ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest), plus

(iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note, plus

(iv) in the case of the Fixed Rate Notes, the applicable Make-Whole Amount; plus

(v) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

With respect to any Preference Share and any Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b), "Redemption Price" means (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the *pro rata* portion for such Preference Share of the entire remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications pursuant to the Priority of Payments or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case, as specified in Section 9.2(b).

With respect to any Class 1 Component and any Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2, "Redemption Price" means the distribution in kind of the Treasury Strip provided for in Section 9.2(b).

**"Reference Obligation":** An obligation that would otherwise satisfy the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and on which a Synthetic Security is based.

**"Reference Obligor":** The obligor of a Reference Obligation.

**"Registered":** With respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment, means that it is issued after July 18, 1984 and is in registered form within the meaning of Section 881(c)(2)(B)(i) of the Code and the United States Department of the Treasury ("Treasury") regulations promulgated thereunder.

**"Registered Office":** The registered office of the Issuer, which shall be located outside of the United States.

**"Regulation D":** Regulation D under the Securities Act.

**"Regulation S":** Regulation S under the Securities Act.

**"Regulation S Global Composite Security":** Any Composite Security issued in the form of a Regulation S Global Security.

**"Regulation S Global Note":** Any Note issued in the form of a Regulation S Global Security.

**"Regulation S Global Preference Share":** The meaning set forth in the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

**"Regulation S Global Security":** The meaning specified in Section 2.2(b).

**"Reinvestment Overcollateralization Ratio":** As of any Measurement Date, the ratio obtained by dividing:

(i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator *by*

(ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes together with any Deferred Interest on any Class of Notes.

**"Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date during the Reinvestment Period on which Class C Notes remain Outstanding, if the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 107.30%.

**"Reinvestment Period":** The period from the Closing Date through and including the first to occur of:

- (i) the Payment Date after the date that the Portfolio Manager notifies the Trustee, each Rating Agency, and the Administrator, in the sole discretion of the Portfolio Manager, that, in light of the composition of the Collateral, general market conditions, and other factors, investments in additional Collateral Obligations within the foreseeable future would either be impractical or not beneficial,
- (ii) the Payment Date in May, 2012 or, in the case of an Extension, the Extended Reinvestment Period End Date,
- (iii) the Payment Date on which all Notes are to be optionally redeemed or an earlier date after notice of an Optional Redemption chosen by the Portfolio Manager to facilitate the liquidation of the Collateral for the Optional Redemption, and
- (iv) the date on which the Reinvestment Period terminates or is terminated as a result of an Event of Default (subject to Section 5.2(b)).

**"Reinvestment Yield":** With respect to the Fixed Rate Notes, the rate equal to the sum of (a)(i) for the Class A-1b Notes, 0.155% and (ii) for the Class A-3b Notes, 0.30% and (b) the applicable yield to maturity implied by (i) the yields reported, as of 10:00 a.m. (New York City time) on the tenth Business Day preceding the Redemption Date, Extension Effective Date or date of Amendment Buy-Out, as applicable, on "Notes/Bonds" section on the first page on the display designated as "Govt PX1" on Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News (or such other display as may replace such display) for actively traded U.S. Treasury securities (for the avoidance of doubt, excluding U.S. Treasury securities with option features, U.S. Treasury inflation securities and other markets) having a maturity as nearly as practicable equal to the Remaining Life Date or (ii) if such yields are not reported as of such time or the yields reported as of such time are not ascertainable, the Treasury Constant Maturity Series Yields reported, for the latest day for which such yields have been so reported as of the tenth Business Day preceding the Redemption Date, Extension Effective Date or date of Amendment Buy-Out, as applicable, in Federal Reserve Statistical Release H.15 (519) (or any comparable successor publication) for actively traded U.S. Treasury securities having a constant maturity as nearly as practicable equal to the Remaining Life Date; provided, however, if the maturity of the obligations used in the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) differ by more than one month from the Remaining Life Date, then the yield determined pursuant to the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) shall be determined by using linear interpolation between two maturities, one being the nearest maturity preceding the end of the Remaining Life Date and the other being the nearest maturity next succeeding the end of the Remaining Life Date.

**"Remaining Life Date":** With respect of the Class A-1b Notes, June 1, 2013 and with respect of the Class A-3b Notes, September 1, 2015.

**"Removal Buy-Out":** The meaning specified in Section 9.7(a).

**"Removal Buy-Out Option"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.7(a).

**"Removal Buy-Out Purchase Price"**: The purchase price payable by the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser for the Class A-1g Notes purchased in an Removal Buy-Out, if any, in an amount equal to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Class A-1g Notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the date of purchase payable to the Holder of such Class A-1g Notes (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date).

**"Removal Buy-Out Purchaser"**: The Portfolio Manager (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); provided that in the event that the Portfolio Manager elects not to purchase Class A-1g Notes from Holders pursuant to Section 9.7, "Removal Buy-Out Purchaser" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchaser) or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Portfolio Manager; provided, however, none of the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Removal Buy-Out Purchaser.

**"Replacement Hedge"**: A replacement hedge agreement that qualifies to be a Hedge Agreement under this Indenture.

**"Repository"**: The internet-based password protected electronic repository of transaction documents relating to privately offered and sold collateralized debt obligation securities located at "www.cdolibrary.com" operated by The Bond Market Association.

**"Required Rating"**: The meaning specified in Section 15.2(b).

**"Revolving Loan"**: A Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation (in each case excluding any Delayed Drawdown Loan) that requires the Issuer to make future advances to (or for the account of) the borrower under its Underlying Instruments (including any letter of credit for which the Issuer is required to reimburse the issuing bank for under it). A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Revolving Loan for so long as its Commitment Amount is greater than zero.

**"Revolving Reserve Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(b).

**"Rule 144A"**: Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

**"Rule 144A Global Note"**: A Note issued in the form of a Rule 144A Global Security.

**"Rule 144A Global Securities"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(c).

**"Rule 144A Information"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.15.

**"S&P"**: Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc.

**"S&P CDO Monitor"**: A dynamic, analytical computer model developed by S&P and provided to the Portfolio Manager and the Collateral Administrator to be used to calculate the default frequency in terms of the amount of debt assumed to default as a percentage of the original principal amount of the Collateral Obligations consistent with a specified benchmark rating level based on certain assumptions and S&P's proprietary corporate default studies. For

the purpose (and only for the purpose) of applying the S&P CDO Monitor to a portfolio of obligations, for each obligation in the portfolio, the rating of the obligation shall be its S&P Rating.

**"S&P CDO Monitor Test"**: A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive. The S&P CDO Monitor Test shall be considered to be improved if each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is at least equal to the corresponding Note Class Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio. The S&P CDO Monitor Test is not required to be satisfied or improved upon the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation and the reinvestment of the related Sale Proceeds in additional Collateral Obligations as provided in Section 12.1(a). For purposes of the S&P CDO Monitor Test,

- (i) the S&P Rating of any S&P Unrated DIP Loan shall be "CCC-" and
- (ii) the S&P Industry Classification for a Synthetic Security shall be that of the related Reference Obligation and not the Synthetic Security.

**"S&P Industry Classification"**: The S&P Industry Classifications in Schedule 3 as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by S&P.

**"S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate"**: As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the number obtained by

- (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate,
- (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations, and
- (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

**"S&P Priority Category"**: Each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" as an "S&P Priority Category."

**"S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate"**: For any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of "Applicable Percentage" opposite the S&P Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**"S&P Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 8.

**"S&P Unrated DIP Loan"**: A DIP Loan acquired by the Issuer that does not have a rating assigned by S&P and for which the Portfolio Manager has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P (as specified in the definition of "DIP Loan").

**"Sale"**: The meaning specified in Section 5.17.

**"Sale Proceeds"**: All proceeds received (including any proceeds received with respect to any associated interest rate swap or security providing fixed annuity payments ) with respect to Collateral Obligations or other Pledged Obligations as a result of their sales or other



dispositions less any reasonable expenses expended by the Portfolio Manager or the Trustee in connection with the sales or other dispositions, which shall be paid from such proceeds notwithstanding their characterization otherwise as Administrative Expenses.

**"Schedule of Collateral Obligations"**: The Collateral Obligations listed on Schedule 1, which schedule shall include with respect to each listed Collateral Obligation:

- (A) the name of the obligor and a unique Loan or other instrument identifier;
- (B) the purchase price;
- (C) the Principal Balance;
- (D) the classification (including whether the Collateral Obligation is a Loan, a High-Yield Bond, a Synthetic Security, a Participation, a Structured Finance Obligation, a Revolving Loan, or a Delayed Drawdown Loan);
- (E) the funded amount (stated as a percentage) in respect of a Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or a Delayed Drawdown Loan;
- (F) the coupon or spread (as applicable);
- (G) the Stated Maturity;
- (H) the Moody's Rating;
- (I) the S&P Rating; and
- (J) the CUSIP and any ISIN, if applicable,

as the schedule may be amended from time to time to reflect the release of Collateral Obligations pursuant to Article 10 and the inclusion of Collateral Obligations as provided in Section 12.2.

**"Secondary Risk Counterparty"**: Any obligor Domiciled other than in the United States, any Participating Institution, any Synthetic Security Counterparty, and any Securities Lending Counterparty.

**"Secondary Risk Table":** The table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty		Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
Moody's	S&P		
Aaa	AAA	20.0%	20.0%
Aa1	AA+	10.0%	10.0%
Aa2	AA	10.0%	10.0%
Aa3	AA-	10.0%	10.0%
A1	A+	5.0%	10.0%
A2 or below	A or below	0.0%	0.0%

If any Secondary Risk Counterparty's long-term senior unsecured debt rating or short-term rating is on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P, then for the purposes of the table above, its rating by the Rating Agency putting its rating on credit watch shall be one rating notch lower for that Rating Agency.

**"Section 3(c)(7)":** Section 3(c)(7) of the 1940 Act.

**"Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice":** A notice from the Issuer to the Noteholders (to be delivered in accordance with Sections 10.6(a) and (b)) substantially in the form of Exhibit H-1.

**"Secured Loan":** A Loan that (i) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**"Secured Obligations":** The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Secured Parties":** The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Securities":** The Notes and the Composite Securities.

**"Securities Act":** The United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

**"Securities Intermediary":** Any clearing corporation or any person, including a bank or broker, that in the ordinary course of its business maintains securities accounts for others and is acting in that capacity.

**"Securities Lending Account":** The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(f).

**"Securities Lending Agreements":** The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**"Securities Lending Collateral":** The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**"Securities Lending Counterparty":** The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**"Security Entitlement"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(17) of the UCC.

**"Selected Collateral Quality Tests"**: The Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Life Test (after taking into consideration any applicable Maturity Extension), the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the Diversity Test.

**"Senior Class A Notes"**: The Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes and the Class A-1g Notes.

**"Senior Management Fee"**: A fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Portfolio Manager in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.30% per annum of the Maximum Investment Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Senior Management Fee shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

**"Senior Secured Loan"**: A Secured Loan that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a first priority security interest in collateral.

**"Senior Unsecured Loan"**: A Loan that is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**"Share Trustee"**: Maples Finance Limited.

**"Special Redemption"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**"Special Redemption Amount"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**"Special Redemption Date"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**"Spread Excess"**: As of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose:

(i) numerator is the product of:

(A) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date over the Minimum Weighted Average Spread specified in the applicable row of the Ratings Matrix, and

(B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date, and

(ii) denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Spread Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Fixed Rate Excess were equal to zero.

**"Stated Maturity"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation, the maturity date specified in it or the applicable Underlying Instrument (or, if earlier, the first date on which any person may be required by the Issuer to repurchase the entire principal amount of the Collateral Obligation at or above par) and with respect to the Notes of any Class and the Composite Securities, the Payment Date in February, 2017 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date. Unless otherwise specified, "Stated Maturity" means the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Composite Securities.

**"Structured Finance Obligation"**: Any obligation:

(i) secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool of receivables or other assets of U.S. obligors, or obligors organized or incorporated in Moody's Group I Countries, Moody's Group II Countries or Moody's Group III Countries, including portfolio credit default swaps, synthetic collateralized debt obligations, and collateralized debt obligations, but excludes:

- (A) residential mortgage-backed securities,
- (B) collateralized debt obligations backed by Emerging Market Securities,
- (C) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by asset-backed securities,
- (D) market value collateralized debt obligations,
- (E) securities backed by "future flow" receivables,
- (F) net interest margin securitizations,
- (G) collateralized debt obligations backed by other collateralized debt obligations, and
- (H) collateralized debt obligations a significant portion of which are backed by Bonds;

(ii) that has an S&P Rating and an S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate;

(iii) that has a rating and a Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate assigned by Moody's; and

(iv) whose ownership or disposition (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) by the Issuer will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

In connection with the purchase of a Structured Finance Obligation, the Portfolio Manager shall obtain from Moody's the applicable Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate.

For purposes of the Diversity Test, multiple Structured Finance Obligations from CDOs managed by the same Portfolio Manager or multiple Structured Finance Obligations issued by the same master trust will be considered to be obligations of one issuer.

**"Subordinated Lien Loan":** A Secured Loan secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**"Subordinated Management Fee":** An amount equal to the sum of (i) a fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Portfolio Manager in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.25% per annum of the Maximum Investment Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments, (ii) on any Payment Date that any part of the Senior Management Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period plus 3.00% per annum and (iii) on any Payment Date that any part of the Subordinated Management Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period plus 3.00% per annum. The portion of the Subordinated Management Fee or Senior Management Fee, as applicable, in clauses (i) through (iii) above, as applicable, shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

**"Successor Entity":** The meaning specified in Section 7.10.

**"Super Majority":** With respect to any Class or group of Notes or Composite Securities, the Holders of more than 66 $\frac{2}{3}$ % of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Composite Securities, as the case may be.

**"Synthetic Security":** Any swap transaction, structured bond investment, credit linked note, or other derivative financial instrument relating to a debt instrument (but excluding any such instrument relating directly to a basket or portfolio of debt instruments) or an index or indices (such as the "SAMI" index published by Credit Suisse First Boston) in connection with a basket or portfolio of debt instruments or other similar instruments entered into by the Issuer with a Synthetic Security Counterparty that has in the Portfolio Manager's commercially reasonable judgment, equivalent expected loss characteristics (those characteristics, "**credit risk**") to those of the related Reference Obligations (taking account of those considerations as they relate to the Synthetic Security Counterparty), if (i) it is either a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied, and (ii) the Reference Obligations thereof have a weighted average Market Value of at least 80% at the time the Synthetic Security is entered into.

The maturity, interest rate, and other non-credit characteristics of a Synthetic Security may be different from the Reference Obligations to which the credit risk of the Synthetic Security relates.

No Synthetic Security shall require the Issuer to make any payment to the Synthetic Security Counterparty after its initial purchase other than any payments represented by the release of any cash collateral posted by the Issuer from the Collection Account to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of the posted cash collateral. Collateral may be posted only to a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account. No Synthetic Security shall result in the Issuer being a "buyer" of credit protection.

The term Synthetic Security shall not include any Structured Finance Obligation or any Participation, but the Reference Obligation of a Synthetic Security may be a Structured Finance Obligation.

Each Synthetic Security Agreement shall contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those contained in this Indenture.

The ownership or disposition of any Synthetic Security (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) must not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

Unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" under any proposed Synthetic Security must not provide that its transfer to the Issuer is subject to obtaining any consents and must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation and satisfy the Concentration Limitations under this Indenture, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event and if the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security is a Senior Secured Loan then the "deliverable obligation" under the Synthetic Security must also be a Senior Secured Loan.

Synthetic Securities that are credit default swaps, credit linked notes, or other similar instruments may not provide for "restructuring" as a "credit event".

For purposes of the Coverage Tests and the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test, unless the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied in respect of any proposed alternative treatment, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligation.

With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, for purposes of: (i) calculating compliance with the Diversity Test, the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test, and the Concentration Limitations

(other than limits relating to payment characteristics and except for clauses 17 and 17(a) of the definition of "Concentration Limitations"), and all related definitions, and (ii) any other provision or definition of this Indenture involving a determination with respect to a Reference Obligation, the characteristics of such Reference Obligations shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct investment by the Issuer in each such Reference Obligation in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation. In addition, each Reference Obligation under such Synthetic Security shall be assigned a Moody's Rating Factor equal to the sum of the Moody's Rating Factor of (i) the related Reference Obligor, (ii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty of such Synthetic Security and (iii) the Synthetic Security Collateral of such Synthetic Security. In addition, the Moody's Priority Category Rate in respect of a Synthetic Security referencing multiple Reference Obligations pursuant to this paragraph shall be the Moody's Priority Category Rate as assigned by Moody's to each Reference Obligation underlying such Synthetic Security. For the avoidance of doubt, Reference Obligations upon which a Synthetic Security is based as described in this paragraph must meet the definition of "Collateral Obligation" to the extent provided in this definition.

If the Rating Condition must be satisfied to execute the purchase of any Synthetic Security, the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, shall give each applicable Rating Agency not less than 5 days' prior notice of the purchase of or entry into any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Agreement"**: The documentation governing any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Collateral"**: With respect to any Synthetic Security, amounts posted to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account by the Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its obligations under the Synthetic Security, including (i) all Eligible Investments or (ii) investments that satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's, in each case that mature no later than the Stated Maturity, in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account that are purchased with Synthetic Security Collateral.

**"Synthetic Security Collateral Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(e).

**"Synthetic Security Counterparty"**: An entity required to make payments on a Synthetic Security to the extent that a Reference Obligor makes payments on a related Reference Obligation.

**"Synthetic Security Counterparty Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.5.

**"Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction"**: One of the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the Netherlands Antilles or the tax advantaged jurisdiction of the Channel Islands, or such other jurisdiction that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto.

**"Tax Event"**: An event that occurs if either:

- (i) (A) one or more Collateral Obligations that were not subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them have become subject to withholding tax ("**New Withholding Tax Obligations**") or the rate of withholding has increased on one or more Collateral Obligations that were subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them ("**Increased Rate Withholding Tax Obligations**") and (B) in any Due Period, the aggregate of the payments subject to

withholding tax on New Withholding Tax Obligations and the increase in payments subject to withholding tax on Increased Rate Withholding Tax Obligations, in each case to the extent not "grossed-up" (on an after-tax basis) by the related obligor, represent 5% or more of Interest Proceeds for the Due Period; or

(ii) taxes, fees, assessments, or other similar charges are imposed on the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in an aggregate amount in any twelve-month period in excess of U.S.\$2,000,000, other than any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax with respect to any payment owing in respect of any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation or Collateral Obligation.

**"Transaction Reports"**: The meaning specified in Section 14.4.

**"Transfer Agent"**: The person or persons, which may be the Issuer, authorized by the Issuer to exchange or register the transfer of Securities.

**"Transferee Certificate"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.6(b).

**"Treasury Regulations"**: The regulations, including proposed or temporary regulations, promulgated under the Code. References herein to specific provisions of proposed or temporary regulations shall include analogous provisions of final Treasury Regulations or other successor Treasury Regulations.

**"Treasury Strip"**: The meaning specified in Section 10.3(j).

**"Treasury Strip Market Value"**: On any date of determination, the market value of the Treasury Strip underlying the applicable portion of the Class 1 Component of the Class 1 Composite Securities on such date, as determined in a commercially reasonable manner by the Portfolio Manager.

**"Trust Officer"**: When used with respect to the Trustee, any officer in the Corporate Trust Office (or any successor group of the Trustee) including any director, vice president, assistant vice president, associate, or any other officer of the Trustee customarily performing functions similar to those performed by such officers in the Corporate Trust Office, or to whom any corporate trust matter is referred at the Corporate Trust Office because of his knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject and having direct responsibility for the administration of this Indenture.

**"Trustee"**: As defined in the first sentence of this Indenture.

**"UCC"**: The Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the State of New York, and as amended from time to time.

**"Uncertificated Security"**: The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(18) of the UCC.

**"Underlying Instrument"**: The loan agreement, indenture, credit agreement, or other agreement pursuant to which a Pledged Obligation has been issued or created and each other agreement that governs the terms of or secures the obligations represented by the Pledged Obligation or of which the holders of the Pledged Obligation are the beneficiaries.



**"Unregistered Securities"**: The meaning specified in Section 5.17(c).

**"Unscheduled Principal Payments"**: Any principal payments received with respect to a Collateral Obligation as a result of optional redemptions, exchange offers, tender offers, other payments or prepayments made at the option of the issuer thereof or that are otherwise not scheduled to be made thereunder.

**"U.S. Person"**: A beneficial owner of a Security that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a citizen or individual resident of the United States of America, an entity treated for United States federal income tax purposes as a corporation or a partnership created or organized in or under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof or the District of Columbia, an estate the income of which is includable in gross income for U.S. federal income tax purposes regardless of its source, or a trust if, in general, a court within the United States of America is able to exercise primary supervision over its administration and one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of such trust, and certain eligible trusts that have elected to be treated as United States persons.

**"Valuation Report"**: The meaning specified in Section 10.6(b).

**"Warehouse Agreement"**: The Warehouse Agreement, dated as of October 28, 2004, among JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association (formerly known as JPMorgan Chase Bank), the Issuer, and the Portfolio Manager, as amended.

**"Warehoused Loans"**: Loans acquired by the Issuer before the Closing Date pursuant to the Warehouse Agreement.

**"Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon"**: As of any Measurement Date, the rate obtained by

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Fixed Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum rate at which it pays interest, using only the effective after-tax interest rate determined by the Portfolio Manager on any Fixed Rate Obligation after taking into account any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction and any gross-up paid by the obligor),

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i),

(iii) dividing the sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations that are Fixed Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date, and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, adding to the sum the amount of any Spread Excess as of the Measurement Date, but only to the extent required to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test.

**"Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test"**: A test that is satisfied if, as of any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 8.0%.

**"Weighted Average Life":** As of any Measurement Date, the number obtained by

- (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying
  - (A) the Average Life at that time of each Collateral Obligation by
  - (B) the Principal Balance at that time of the Collateral Obligation
 and
- (ii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance at that time of all Collateral Obligations.

**"Weighted Average Life Test":** A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and March 15, 2014 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date.

**"Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor":** The summation of the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation (excluding Eligible Investments) by its respective Moody's Rating Factor, dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) and rounding the result up to the nearest whole number.

**"Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 44.5%.

**"Weighted Average Rating Factor Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of such Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor.

**"Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 49.3%.

**"Weighted Average Spread":** As of any Measurement Date, a rate obtained by:

- (i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Floating Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum overall rate at which it pays interest, determined with respect to any Floating Rate Obligation that does not bear interest based on a three month London interbank offered rate, by expressing the current interest rate on the Floating Rate Obligation as a spread above a three month London interbank offered rate calculated in a manner consistent with the calculation of LIBOR,
- (ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i),
- (iii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date, and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to pass the Weighted Average Spread Test, adding to that sum the amount of Fixed Rate Excess as of the Measurement Date.

For purposes of calculating the Weighted Average Spread, the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall not include any of its unfunded amount.

**"Weighted Average Spread Test"**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread.

**"Workout Assets"**: A Loan, High-Yield Bond, or Qualified Equity Security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation that the Issuer does not advance any funds to purchase that does not qualify as a Collateral Obligation.

**"Written-Down Obligation"**: As of any date of determination, any Structured Finance Obligation as to which the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, has been notified by the issuer of the Structured Finance Obligation that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Structured Finance Obligation and all other Structured Finance Obligations secured by the same pool of collateral that rank *pari passu* with or senior in priority of payment to the Structured Finance Obligation exceeds the aggregate principal balance (including reserved interest or other amounts available for overcollateralization) of all collateral securing the Structured Finance Obligation and such other *pari passu* and senior Structured Finance Obligations (excluding defaulted collateral).

**"Zero-Coupon Security"**: A security that, at the time of determination, does not make periodic payments of interest. A Zero-Coupon Security shall not include a security that is a PIK Security.

#### Section 1.2. ***Assumptions as to Pledged Obligations; Construction Conventions.***

This Section 1.2 shall be applied in connection with all calculations required to be made pursuant to this Indenture:

- with respect to the scheduled payment of principal or interest on any Pledged Obligation, or any payments on any other assets included in the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral,
- with respect to the sale of and reinvestment in Collateral Obligations,
- with respect to the income that can be earned on the scheduled payment of principal or interest on the Pledged Obligations and on any other amounts that may be received for deposit in the Collection Account, and
- with respect to the treatment of Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement.

The provisions of this Section 1.2 shall be applicable to any determination or calculation that is covered by this Section 1.2, whether or not reference is specifically made to

Section 1.2, unless some other method of calculation or determination is expressly specified in the particular provision.

(a) All calculations with respect to the scheduled payment of principal or interest on the Pledged Obligations shall be made on the basis of information as to the terms of each Pledged Obligation and on reports of payments received on the Pledged Obligation that are furnished by or on behalf of the issuer of the Pledged Obligation and, to the extent they are not manifestly in error, the information or report may be conclusively relied on in making the calculations.

(b) For each Due Period and as of any Measurement Date, the scheduled payment of principal or interest on any Pledged Obligation shall be the sum of

(i) the total amount of payments and collections reasonably expected to be received during the Due Period in respect of the Pledged Obligation that, if paid as scheduled, will be available for payment on the Notes and of certain expenses of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer in the Collection Account at the end of the Due Period; and

(ii) any such amounts received in prior Due Periods that were not disbursed on a previous Payment Date.

Except as provided in paragraph (h) below, a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation shall be assumed to have a scheduled payment of principal and interest of zero.

The total amount of payments and collections reasonably expected to be received includes the proceeds of the sale of the Pledged Obligation received and, in the case of sales which have not yet settled, to be received during the Due Period and not reinvested in additional Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty, Securities Lending Counterparty, or Hedge Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security, Securities Lending Agreement, or Hedge Agreement) or Eligible Investments or retained in the Collection Account for subsequent reinvestment pursuant to Section 12.2.

(c) For purposes of the applicable determinations required by Article 12 and the definition of "Interest Coverage Ratio," the expected interest on Collateral Obligations shall be calculated using their then current interest rates.

(d) With respect to any Collateral Obligation, the date on which it "matures" (or its "maturity" date) shall be the earlier of

(i) the stated maturity of the obligation or

(ii) if the Issuer has the right to require the issuer or obligor of the Collateral Obligation to purchase, redeem, or retire the Collateral Obligation at a price of at least par on any one or more dates before its Stated Maturity (a "put right") and the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that it will cause the Issuer to direct the Trustee to exercise the put right on a date, the maturity date shall be the date specified in the certification.

(e) For purposes of calculating compliance with the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), the Coverage Tests, and the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the Reference Obligation. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limits other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligations.

(f) Any Collateral Obligation loaned to a Securities Lending Counterparty shall be included in the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests, and the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test and the Principal Balance of any Collateral Obligation loaned to a Securities Lending Counterparty shall be included in the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations, in each case unless an "event of default" (under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing.

(g) If a Class of Notes ceases to be Outstanding, then any Coverage Test computed by reference to the Class of Notes (but not to any subordinate Class of Notes then Outstanding) shall cease to be of any force.

(h) For purposes of calculating compliance with the Eligibility Criteria (other than the Weighted Average Life Test), at the direction of the Portfolio Manager by notice to the Trustee, during the Reinvestment Period any Eligible Investment representing Principal Proceeds received upon the maturity, redemption, sale, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation (or, after the Reinvestment Period, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations) shall be deemed to have the characteristics of the disposed Collateral Obligation until reinvested in an additional Collateral Obligation. The calculations shall be based on the Principal Balance of the disposed Collateral Obligations except in the case of Defaulted Collateral Obligations and Credit Risk Securities, in which case the calculations will be based on the Principal Proceeds received on the disposition or sale of the Defaulted Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation.

### Section 1.3. ***Rules of Interpretation.***

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture or unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

(a) Defined terms include, as appropriate, all genders and the plural as well as the singular.

(b) References to designated articles, sections, subsections, exhibits, and other subdivisions of this Indenture, such as "Section 6.12 (a)," refer to the designated article, section, subsection, exhibit, or other subdivision of this Indenture as a whole and to all subdivisions of the designated article, section, subsection, exhibit, or other subdivision. The words "herein,"

"hereof," "hereto," "hereunder," and other words of similar import refer to this Indenture as a whole and not to any particular article, section, exhibit, or other subdivision of this Indenture.

(c) Any term that relates to a document or a statute, rule, or regulation includes any amendments, modifications, supplements, or any other changes that may have occurred since the document, statute, rule, or regulation came into being, including changes that occur after the date of this Indenture. References to law are not limited to statutes. Any reference to any person includes references to its successors and assigns.

(d) Any party may execute any of the requirements under this Indenture either directly or through others, and the right to cause something to be done rather than doing it directly shall be implicit in every requirement under this Indenture. Unless a provision is restricted as to time or limited as to frequency, all provisions under this Indenture are implicitly available and things may happen from time to time.

(e) The term "including" and all its variations mean "including but not limited to." Except when used in conjunction with the word "either," the word "or" is always used inclusively (for example, the phrase "A or B" means "A or B or both," not "either A or B but not both").

(f) A reference to "a thing" or "any of a thing" does not imply the existence or occurrence of the thing referred to even though not followed by "if any," and "any of a thing" is any and all of it. A reference to the plural of anything as to which there could be either one or more than one does not imply the existence of more than one (for instance, the phrase "the obligors on a note" means "the obligor or obligors on a note"). "Until something occurs" does not imply that it must occur, and will not be modified by the word "unless." The word "due" and the word "payable" are each used in the sense that the stated time for payment has passed. The word "accrued" is used in its accounting sense, i.e., an amount paid is no longer accrued. In the calculation of amounts of things, differences and sums may generally result in negative numbers, but when the calculation of the excess of one thing over another results in zero or a negative number, the calculation is disregarded and an "excess" does not exist. Portions of things may be expressed as fractions or percentages interchangeably. The word "shall" is used in its imperative sense, as for instance meaning a party agrees to something or something must occur or exist.

(g) All accounting terms used in an accounting context and not otherwise defined, and accounting terms partly defined in this Indenture, to the extent not completely defined, shall be construed in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. To the extent that the definitions of accounting terms in this Indenture are inconsistent with their meanings under generally accepted accounting principles, the definitions contained in this Indenture shall control.

(h) In the computation of a period of time from a specified date to a later specified date or an open-ended period, the words "from" and "beginning" mean "from and including," the word "after" means "from but excluding," the words "to" and "until" mean "to but excluding," and the word "through" means "to and including." Likewise, in setting deadlines or other periods, "by" means "on or before." The words "preceding," "following," "before," "after," "next," and words of similar import, mean immediately preceding or following. References to a month or a year refer to calendar months and calendar years.

(i) Any reference to the enforceability of any agreement against a party means that it is enforceable against the party in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, and other similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles.

(j) Except when only the registered holder is recognized, such as in Section 2.9., references to Noteholders, holders, and the like refer equally to beneficial owners who have an interest in a Note but are not reflected in the Indenture Register as the owner.

## ARTICLE 2

### THE NOTES AND THE COMPOSITE SECURITIES

#### Section 2.1. ***Forms Generally.***

The Notes, the Composite Securities, and the Trustee's or Authenticating Agent's certificate of authentication on them (the "***Certificate of Authentication***") shall be in substantially the forms required by this Article, with appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions, and other variations required or permitted by this Indenture, and may have any letters, numbers, or other marks of identification and any legends or endorsements on them that are consistent with this Indenture, as determined by the Authorized Officers of the Issuer executing the Securities as evidenced by their execution of the Securities.

#### Section 2.2. ***Forms of Securities and Certificate of Authentication.***

(a) The Securities, including the Certificated Composite Securities, Regulation S Global Securities, Rule 144A Global Notes and Certificate of Authentication, shall be in the forms of the applicable portion of Exhibit A.

(b) ***Regulation S Global Securities.*** The Notes of each Class and the Composite Securities sold to non-U.S. persons in off-shore transactions in reliance on Regulation S shall each be represented by one or more global securities in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit A, including legends (the "***Regulation S Global Securities***"). The global securities shall be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for the Securities represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, the Depository for the respective accounts of Euroclear and Clearstream, duly executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided. The aggregate principal amount of the Regulation S Global Securities may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee or the Depository or its nominee, as the case may be, as hereinafter provided. As used above and in subsection (d) below, "U.S. person" and "off-shore transaction" have the meanings assigned to them in Regulation S.

(c) ***Rule 144A Global Securities.*** The Notes of each Class sold to U.S. persons that are QIB/QPs shall each be issued initially in the form of one permanent global note per Class in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit A, including legends (each, a "***Rule 144A Global Security***"), which shall be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for the Notes represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, the Depository, duly executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided. The aggregate principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Notes may from time to time be

increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee or the Depository or its nominee, as the case may be, as hereinafter provided.

(d) *Certificated Composite Securities.* The Composite Securities sold to U.S. persons that are either (x) QIB/QPs or (y) both Accredited Investors and Qualified Purchasers, shall be issued in the form of certificated securities in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit A (each, a "***Certificated Composite Security***"), which shall be registered in the name of their beneficial owner or a nominee of their beneficial owner, duly executed by the Issuer and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided.

(e) *Book-Entry Provisions.* This Section 2.2(e) shall apply only to Global Securities deposited with or on behalf of the Depository. The "Operating Procedures of the Euroclear System" of Euroclear and the "Terms and Conditions Governing Use of Participants" of Clearstream, respectively, shall be applicable to the Regulation S Global Securities insofar as interests in the Global Securities are held by the Agent Members of Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be.

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

### Section 2.3. *Authorized Amount; Denominations.*

(a) The aggregate principal amount of Notes that may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture is limited to U.S.\$602,800,000, except for Notes authenticated and delivered upon registration of, transfer of, or in exchange for, or in lieu of, other Notes pursuant to Section 2.6, 2.7, or 8.5.

The aggregate principal amount of Composite Securities that may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture is limited to U.S.\$6,000,000, except for Composite Securities authenticated and delivered upon registration of transfer of, or in exchange for, or in lieu of, other Composite Securities pursuant to Section 2.6, 2.7, or 8.5.

The Securities shall be divided into the following Classes, having the designations, original principal amounts and other characteristics as follows:

Class	A-1a	A-1b	A-1g	A-2	A-3a
Original Principal Amount	U.S.\$52,000,000	U.S.\$7,000,000	U.S.\$400,000,000	U.S.\$42,500,000	U.S.\$23,500,000
Interest Rate	LIBOR + 0.31%	4.685%	LIBOR + 0.25% <sup>1</sup>	LIBOR + 0.50%	LIBOR + 0.60%
Initial Rating (Moody's/S&P)	Aaa/AAA	Aaa/AAA	Aaa/AAA	Aaa/AAA	Aa2/AA



Class	A-3b	B	C	Class 1 Composite Securities <sup>2</sup>
Original Principal/Face Amount	U.S.\$2,500,000	U.S.\$39,000,000	U.S.\$36,300,000	U.S.\$6,000,000 <sup>3</sup>
Interest Rate	5.068%	LIBOR + 1.05%	LIBOR + 2.10%	N/A
Initial Rating (Moody's/S&P)	Aa2/AA	A2/A	Baa2/BBB	Aaa/N/A <sup>4</sup>

- 1 Upon the termination of the Policy pursuant to Section 16.8, the Interest Rate for the Class A-1g Notes shall be LIBOR + 0.25% + the Premium Rate.
- 2 The Class 1 Composite Securities shall consist of the Preference Share Component and the Class 1 Component. The portions of the interest in the Treasury Strip and the Preference Shares that comprise the Class 1 Composite Securities are not separately transferable. On each Composite Securities Payment Date, the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities will be entitled to receive the proceeds from the sale of the portion of the Treasury Strip with respect to such Composite Securities Payment Date and a pro rata share of the distribution on the Preference Shares on such date. No other payments will be made on the Class 1 Composite Securities.
- 3 The amount of the Composite Securities shown includes the Preference Share Component comprised of 2,000 Preference Shares.
- 4 The Class 1 Composite Securities are rated only as to the ultimate payment of their Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance.

(b) The Class 1 Composite Securities have 2 Components, the Class 1 Component and the Preference Share Component. At issuance U.S.\$6,000,000 original principal amount of Class 1 Composite Securities represents a Preference Share Component equal to 2,000 Preference Shares combined with the Class 1 Component.

(c) The Notes will be issuable in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000, and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess of that amount and the Composite Securities will be issuable in minimum denominations of U.S.\$100,000, and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess of that amount.

(d) The Issuer will also issue 82,200 Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, simultaneously with the issuance of the Notes and Composite Securities under this Indenture. The Preference Shares are not secured by the lien of this Indenture. Any payments made by the Trustee hereunder with respect to the Preference Shares will be released by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in accordance with the Priority of Payments for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment (subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands) to Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends or redemption price, as applicable.

#### Section 2.4. ***Extension of Reinvestment Period and Stated Maturity.***

(a) The Issuer, if directed by the Portfolio Manager, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Reinvestment Period to the applicable Extended Reinvestment Period End Date if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously affected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date in accordance with this Section 2.4 and (ii) the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.4(c) are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Reinvestment Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Securities shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent

of any Holders of Securities or Preference Shares or amendment or supplement to this Indenture or the Preference Share Documents (the "**Maturity Extension**").

(b) In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes, Composite Securities or Preference Shares wishing to sell such Securities or Preference Shares to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to Section 2.4(d) (such Securities as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, "**Extension Sale Securities**"). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, each Holder providing an Extension Sale Notice shall be deemed to agree that no Extension Sale Securities of any Holder shall be purchased unless all Extension Sale Securities of all Holders are purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date and the other Extension Conditions are satisfied as of such date.

(c) The Maturity Extension shall be effective only if the following conditions (the "**Extension Conditions**") are satisfied:

(i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the applicable Extension Effective Date;

(ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions in this Indenture and the Preference Share Documents immediately after such purchase and the legends on such Securities or Preference Shares and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency);

(iii) (a) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to S&P (so long as any Notes are then rated by S&P) and (b) either (i) all Coverage Tests and the Selected Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied as of the related Extension Determination Date, the rating of each Class of Securities by Moody's has not been downgraded, withdrawn or qualified from that in effect on the Closing Date (unless it subsequently has been reinstated to the rating assigned on the Closing Date) and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$663,000,000 or (ii) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to Moody's (so long as any Securities are then rated by Moody's); and

(iv) so long as the Insurer is the Controlling Class, the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer has obtained the Insurer's consent; provided, however, in the event that the Insurer does not consent to a Maturity Extension, the Holders of 100% of the Insured Notes (after giving effect to the sale of any Insured Notes which are Extension Sale Securities in connection with the proposed Maturity Extension) may, pursuant to Section 16.8, terminate the Policy, upon which, so long as clauses (i) through (iii) above have been satisfied, the Maturity Extension shall be effective.

The Issuer, the Trustee, the Insurer and, by its acceptance of the Securities or Preference Shares, each Holder of Securities or Preference Shares agrees that the Initial Purchaser shall not be responsible for causing the Extension Conditions to be satisfied and shall not be liable to any such person or Holder of Securities or Preference Shares (whether or not such Holder gave an Extension Sale Notice with respect to its Securities or Preference Shares)

or to any other person if the Extension Conditions are not satisfied. Failure of the Extension Conditions to be satisfied shall not constitute a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture.

(d) Extension Procedure.

(i) No later than three Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Issuer's election to extend the Reinvestment Period (the "**Extension Notice**"), the Trustee shall mail the Extension Notice to all Holders of Securities and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Securities are Outstanding), in the form of Exhibit J, and shall request the Rating Condition for the Maturity Extension from S&P, if applicable;

(ii) Any Holder of Securities or Preference Shares may give irrevocable notice (an "**Extension Sale Notice**") within 30 days after the Trustee has mailed the Extension Notice (the "**Extension Sale Notice Period**") of its intention to sell its Securities or Preference Shares to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of Securities or Preference Shares that has not given such an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be entitled to sell its Securities or Preference Shares to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension; and

(iii) If clause (iii)(b)(i) of the Extension Conditions is not satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date as determined by the Issuer (or its agent), the Trustee shall request the Rating Condition to be satisfied with respect to Moody's.

(e) On the applicable Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or its agent) shall confirm (i) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Securities or Preference Shares in compliance with all transfer restrictions in this Indenture and the legends on such Securities or Preference Shares and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (ii) whether the requirements of clause (c)(iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date and (iii) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

(f) On each Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension shall automatically become effective under the terms of this Indenture; provided that all Extension Conditions set forth in clauses (a) and (c) above are satisfied. No later than two Business Days after each Extension Effective Date, the Trustee based on a determination made by the Issuer in consultation with the Portfolio Manager, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail a notice to all Holders of Securities, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Securities are Outstanding) and the Irish Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class of Notes is listed thereon) confirming whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension became effective, the Issuer shall make any required notifications thereof to the Depositary for any Securities or Preference Shares subject to the Maturity Extension.

(g) In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Holder of Notes (other than Extension Sale Securities) and the Insurer (so long as the Policy has not been terminated) shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment. Holders of Composite Securities and Preference Shares shall not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

The Extension Bonus Payment shall be payable to (i) any applicable qualifying beneficial owners who have provided the Trustee with an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification and (ii) to the Insurer, on the first Payment Date from and including each Extension Effective Date on which funds are available to be used for such purposes in accordance with Priority of Payments, but in any event, no later than the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption of the Notes. Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments on a Payment Date shall not be considered "due and payable" hereunder. The failure to pay any such Extension Bonus Payment on such date shall not be an Event of Default, unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Securities. Unpaid Extension Bonus Payments shall not accrue interest. Such amounts shall be paid: (i) in the case of the Notes, to the accounts designated in the applicable Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification or, to the extent otherwise required by the rules of any applicable securities exchange or clearing agency, in a manner determined by the Issuer and (ii) in the case of the Insurer, to the account specified in the Premium Letter or as otherwise directed by the Insurer in writing.

Section 2.5. ***Execution, Authentication, Delivery, and Dating.***

The Securities shall be executed on behalf of each of the Applicable Issuers by one of their respective Authorized Officers. The signature of the Authorized Officer on the Securities may be manual or facsimile.

Securities bearing the manual or facsimile signatures of individuals who were at any time the Authorized Officers of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, shall bind the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, notwithstanding that any of them have ceased to hold their offices before the authentication and delivery of the Securities or did not hold their offices at the date of issuance of the Securities.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Indenture, the Issuer and the Co-Issuer may deliver Securities executed by the Applicable Issuers to the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent for authentication and the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent, upon Issuer Order, shall authenticate and deliver the Securities as provided in this Indenture and not otherwise.

Each Security authenticated and delivered by the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent upon Issuer Order on the Closing Date shall be dated as of the Closing Date. All other Securities that are authenticated after the Closing Date for any other purpose under this Indenture shall be dated the date of their authentication.

Securities issued upon transfer, exchange, or replacement of other Securities shall be issued in authorized denominations reflecting the original Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities so transferred, exchanged, or replaced, but shall represent only the current outstanding principal amount of the Securities so transferred, exchanged, or replaced. If any Security is divided into more than one Security in accordance with this Article 2, the original principal amount of the Security shall be proportionately divided among the Securities delivered

in exchange for it and shall be the original aggregate principal amount of the subsequently issued Securities.

No Security shall be entitled to any benefit under this Indenture or be valid or obligatory for any purpose, unless there appears on the Security a Certificate of Authentication executed by the Trustee or by the Authenticating Agent by the manual signature of one of their Authorized Officers, and that certificate on any Security shall be conclusive evidence, and the only evidence, that the Security has been duly authenticated and delivered under this Indenture.

Section 2.6. ***Registration, Registration of Transfer and Exchange.***

(a) The Issuer shall cause a register (the "***Indenture Register***") to be kept in which the Issuer shall provide for the registration of Securities and the registration of transfers of Securities. The Trustee is hereby initially appointed "***Indenture Registrar***" for the purpose of registering Securities and transfers of the Securities as provided in this Indenture. The Issuer may rely conclusively on any such information provided to it by the Trustee. Upon any resignation or removal of the Indenture Registrar, the Issuer shall promptly appoint a successor and notify the Portfolio Manager of the appointment or, in the absence of such appointment, assume the duties of Indenture Registrar. The Issuer shall cause the Composite Securities to be registered and recorded in the Indenture Register and, with respect to the Preference Share Component, in the Preference Share register.

If the Issuer appoints a person other than the Trustee to be Indenture Registrar, the Issuer will give the Trustee prompt written notice of the appointment of the Indenture Registrar and of the location, and any change in the location, of the Indenture Register. The Trustee may inspect the Indenture Register at all reasonable times and obtain copies of it. The Trustee may rely on a certificate executed on behalf of the Indenture Registrar by an Officer of the Indenture Registrar as to the names and addresses of the Holders of the Securities and the principal amounts and number of the Securities.

Upon surrender for registration of transfer of any Securities at the office or agency of the Co-Issuers to be maintained pursuant to Section 7.2, if the requirements of this Indenture are met the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in the name of the designated transferees, new Securities of any authorized denomination and of a like original Aggregate Outstanding Amount.

At the option of its holder, Securities may be exchanged for Securities of like terms, in any authorized denominations and of like aggregate principal amount, upon surrender of the Securities to be exchanged at the office or agency of the Co-Issuers to be maintained pursuant to Section 7.2. Whenever any Security is surrendered for exchange, the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, the Securities that the Noteholder or Composite Securityholder making the exchange is entitled to receive.

All Securities issued on any registration of transfer or exchange of Securities shall be the valid obligations of the Applicable Issuers evidencing the same obligations, and entitled to the same benefits under this Indenture, as the Securities surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

Every Security presented or surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange shall be duly endorsed, or be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Indenture Registrar duly executed by its holder or his attorney duly authorized in writing.

No Holder shall incur a service charge for any registration of transfer or exchange of Securities, but the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

(b) No Security may be sold or transferred (including by pledge or hypothecation) unless the sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, is exempt from the registration requirements under applicable state securities laws, and will not cause either of the Co-Issuers to become subject to the requirement that it register as an investment company under the 1940 Act. None of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, or any other person shall have any obligation to register the Securities under the Securities Act or any state securities laws.

The Trustee shall require, before any registration of transfer of a Composite Security in which delivery is to be made in the form of a Certificated Composite Security, that the Holder's prospective transferee deliver to the Trustee and the Co-Issuers a certificate relating to the transfer in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit B (each, a "**Transferee Certificate**").

(c) (i) No Note may be transferred, directly or indirectly, to a Benefit Plan Investor unless the purchaser's purchase, holding and disposition of a Note or any beneficial interest therein (x) will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code and (y) in the case of a governmental, church or other plan, will not result in a non-exempt violation of any substantially similar U.S. federal, state, local or non-U.S. law.

(ii) No Composite Security may be transferred, directly or indirectly, to (i) an ERISA Plan or (ii) a Benefit Plan Investor that is not an ERISA Plan but whose purchase, holding or disposition of a Composite Security or any beneficial interest therein will result in a non-exempt violation of any federal, state, local or non-U.S. law substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code.

(d) Neither the Trustee nor the Indenture Registrar shall be responsible for ascertaining whether any transfer complies with, or for otherwise monitoring or determining compliance with, the requirements or terms of the Securities Act, applicable state securities laws, ERISA, the Code or the 1940 Act; except that if a certificate or any other document is specifically required by this Section 2.6 to be provided to the Trustee by a prospective transferee, the Trustee shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine whether it conforms substantially on its face to the applicable requirements of this Section 2.6.

Each Holder of a Class 1 Composite Security (other than a Regulation S Global Security) will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Trustee written certification in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit B as to whether it is an Affected Bank and each subsequent transferee of a Regulation S Global Security will be deemed to represent to the Issuer and to the Trustee that it is not an Affected Bank. No transfer of any Class 1 Composite Security to a transferee that has represented it is an Affected Bank will be effective, and the Trustee will not recognize any such transfer, unless such transfer is specifically authorized by the Issuer in writing; provided, however, that the Issuer shall authorize any such transfer if (x) such transfer would not cause more than 33 1/3% of the aggregate outstanding amount of the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components of the Class 1 Composite Securities) to be owned by Affected Banks or (y) the transferor is an Affected Bank previously approved by the Issuer.

(e) For so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding, the Issuer shall not issue or register the transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares to U.S. persons and the Co-Issuer shall not issue or register the transfer of any of its shares of the Co-Issuer to U.S. persons. As used in this subsection (e), "U.S. person" has the meaning assigned to it in Regulation S.

(f) So long as a Global Security remains Outstanding and is held by or on behalf of the Depository, transfers of the Global Security, in whole or in part, shall only be made in accordance with Section 2.2(c) and this Section 2.6(f).

(i) Subject to clauses (ii), (iii), and (iv) of this Section 2.6(f), transfers of a Global Security shall be limited to transfers of the Global Security in whole, but not in part, to nominees of the Depository.

(ii) *Rule 144A Global Security to Regulation S Global Security.* If a Holder of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Security deposited with the Depository wishes at any time to exchange its interest in the Rule 144A Global Security for an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Security, or to transfer its interest in the Rule 144A Global Security to a person who wishes to take delivery of it in the form of an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Security, the Holder may exchange or transfer the interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Security (subject to the rules and procedures of the Depository) if the Holder after the exchange or transfer is not a U.S. person.

The Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository to reduce the principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Security and to increase the principal amount of the Regulation S Global Security by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Security to be exchanged, and to credit to the securities account of the person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Security equal to the reduction in the principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Security upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of

(A) instructions given in accordance with the Depository's procedures from an Agent Member directing the Indenture Registrar to credit a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Security, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to the Holder's Securities, equal to the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Security to be exchanged or transferred,

(B) a written order given in accordance with the Depository's procedures containing information regarding the participant account of the Depository and the Euroclear or Clearstream account to be credited with the increase,

(C) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-2 given by the Holder of the beneficial interest stating that the exchange or transfer of the interest has been made in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Global Securities, including that the Holder or the transferee, as applicable, is not a U.S. person, and that the transfer has been made pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S, and

(D) in the case of a transfer, a certificate in the applicable form of Exhibit B given by the proposed transferee stating that it is not a U.S. person.

(iii) *Regulation S Global Security to Rule 144A Global Security.* If a Holder of a Note held as a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Security deposited with the Depository wishes at any time to exchange its interest in the Regulation S Global Security for an interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Security or to transfer its interest in the Regulation S Global Security to a person who wishes to take delivery of it in the form of an interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Security, the Holder may, subject to the rules and procedures of Euroclear, Clearstream, or the Depository, as the case may be, exchange or transfer, or cause the exchange or transfer of, the interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Security. Upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of:

(A) instructions from Euroclear, Clearstream, or the Depository, as the case may be, directing the Indenture Registrar to cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Security equal to the beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Security, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to the Holder's Securities, to be exchanged or transferred, the instructions to contain information regarding the participant account with the Depository to be credited with the increase,

(B) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-3 given by the Holder of the beneficial interest and stating that, in the case of an exchange, the Holder is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is also a Qualified Purchaser or, in the case of a transfer, the person transferring the interest in the Regulation S Global Security reasonably believes that the person acquiring the interest in a Rule 144A Global Security is a Qualified Institutional Buyer, is obtaining the beneficial interest in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction, and is also a Qualified Purchaser, and

(C) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-1 given by the proposed transferee stating that it is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser,

then the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository to reduce the Regulation S Global Security by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Security to be transferred or exchanged and the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository, concurrently with the reduction, to credit to the securities account of the person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Security equal to the reduction in the principal amount of the Regulation S Global Security.

(iv) *Regulation S Global Composite Security to Certificated Composite Security.* If a Holder of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Composite Security wishes at any time to transfer its interest in such Global Security to a person who wishes to take delivery of it in the form of a Certificated Composite Security of the same Class, the Holder may, subject to the rules and procedures of Euroclear, Clearstream, or the Depository, as the case may be, transfer the interest for an



equivalent beneficial interest in one or more Certificated Composite Securities of the same Class as described below. Upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of:

(A) instructions given in accordance with the Depository's procedures from an Agent Member, or instructions from Euroclear, Clearstream, or the Depository, as the case may be, directing the Trustee to deliver one or more Certificated Composite Securities of the same Class, designating the registered name or names, address, payment instructions, the Class, and the number and principal amounts of the Certificated Composite Securities to be executed and delivered (the Class and the aggregate principal amounts of the Certificated Composite Securities being equal to the aggregate principal amount of such Global Security to be transferred), in authorized denominations,

(B) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-6 given by the Holder of the beneficial interest and stating that the person transferring the interest in the Global Security reasonably believes that the person acquiring the interest in a Certificated Composite Security is either a Qualified Institutional Buyer or an Accredited Investor, is obtaining the beneficial interest in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A or in a transaction not requiring registration under the Securities Act and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction, and is also either (i) a Qualified Purchaser, (ii) a Knowledgeable Employee or (iii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees, and

(C) a certificate in the applicable form of Exhibit B given by the transferee of the beneficial interest stating that it is both (x) either a Qualified Institutional Buyer or an Accredited Investor and (y) either (i) a Qualified Purchaser, (ii) Knowledgeable Employee or (iii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees, and

then the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository to reduce the applicable Global Security by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Global Security to be transferred and the Indenture Registrar shall record the transfer in the Indenture Register in accordance with Section 2.6(a) and authenticate and deliver one or more Certificated Composite Securities of the appropriate Class registered in the names specified in the certificate described in clause (B) above in principal amounts designated by the transferee (the aggregate of the amounts being equal to the beneficial interest in the Global Securities to be transferred) and in the minimum denominations and integral multiples in excess thereof as specified in Section 2.3.

If a Holder of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Composite Security wishes at any time to exchange the interest in such Global Security for one or more Certificated Composite Securities of the same Class, the Holder may exchange the interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in one or more Certificated Composite Securities of the same Class as provided below. Upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of

(A) instructions given in accordance with the Depository's procedures from an Agent Member, or instructions from Euroclear,

Clearstream, or the Depository, as the case may be, directing the Trustee to deliver one or more Certificated Composite Securities and

(B) written instructions from the Holder designating the registered name, address, and payment instructions of the Holder and the Class and the face amounts of the Certificated Composite Securities to be executed and delivered to the Holder (the Class and the aggregate face amounts of the Certificated Composite Securities being the same as the beneficial interest in the Global Security to be exchanged),

then the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository to reduce the Global Security by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Global Security to be exchanged, shall record the exchange in the Indenture Register in accordance with Section 2.6(a), and authenticate and deliver one or more Certificated Composite Securities of the appropriate Class registered as specified in the instructions described in clause (A) above, in authorized denominations.

(v) *Other Exchanges.* If a Global Security is exchanged for Securities in definitive registered form without interest coupons pursuant to Section 2.11, the Securities may be exchanged for one another only in accordance with procedures substantially consistent with the provisions above (including certification requirements intended to insure that the transfers are made only to Holders who are QIB/QPs or are to non-U.S. persons, or otherwise comply with Regulation S, as the case may be), and as may be from time to time adopted by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee.

(g) So long as a Certificated Composite Security remains Outstanding, transfers of a Certificated Composite Security, in whole or in part, shall only be made in accordance with this Section 2.6(g).

(i) *Certificated Composite Security to Regulation S Global Composite Security.* If a Holder of a Composite Security represented by a Certificated Composite Security wishes at any time to exchange the Certificated Composite Security for an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Composite Security, or to transfer the Certificated Composite Security to a person who wishes to take delivery of it in the form of an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Composite Security, the Holder may exchange or transfer the Security for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Composite Security, if the proposed transferee or the person requesting the exchange, as applicable, is not a U.S. person. Upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of:

(A) the Certificated Composite Security properly endorsed for the transfer, and written instructions from the Holder directing the Indenture Registrar to cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Composite Security of the same Class equal to the principal amount of the Certificated Composite Security,

(B) a written order containing information regarding the Euroclear or Clearstream account to be credited with the increase,

(C) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-5, given by the Holder of the Certificated Composite Security stating that the exchange or transfer of the

interest has been made in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Regulation S Global Composite Security, including that the proposed transferee or the person requesting the exchange, as the case may be, is not a U.S. person and that the proposed transfer is being made pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S, and

(D) in the case of a transfer, a certificate in the appropriate form of Exhibit B given by the proposed transferee stating that it is not a U.S. person,

the Indenture Registrar shall cancel the Certificated Composite Security in accordance with Section 2.10, record the transfer in the Indenture Register in accordance with Section 2.6(a), and instruct the Depository to increase the principal amount of Regulation S Global Composite Security by the aggregate principal amount of the Certificated Composite Security to be exchanged or transferred, and to credit to the account of the person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Composite Security of the same Class equal to the amount specified in the instructions received pursuant to clause (A) above.

(ii) *Certificated Composite Security to Certificated Composite Security.* If a Holder of a Certificated Composite Security wishes at any time to transfer the Certificated Composite Security to a person who wishes to take delivery of it in the form of one or more Certificated Composite Securities of the same Class, the Holder may transfer the Security as provided below. Upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of

(A) the Holder's Certificated Composite Security properly endorsed for the transfer, and

(B) a certificate in the applicable form of Exhibit B given by the transferee of the Certificated Composite Security,

then the Indenture Registrar shall cancel the Certificated Composite Security in accordance with Section 2.10, record the transfer in the Indenture Register in accordance with Section 2.6(a), and upon execution by the Applicable Issuers authenticate and deliver one or more Certificated Composite Securities bearing the same designation as the Certificated Composite Securities endorsed for transfer, registered in the names specified in the assignment described in clause (A) above, in principal amounts designated by the transferee (the aggregate of the principal amounts being equal to the aggregate principal amount of the Certificated Composite Securities surrendered by the transferor), and in authorized denominations.

(iii) *Exchange of Certificated Composite Securities.* If a Holder of one or more Certificated Composite Securities wishes at any time to exchange the Certificated Composite Securities for one or more Certificated Composite Securities of the same Class of different face amounts, the Holder may exchange the Certificated Composite Security for Certificated Composite Securities bearing the same designation as the Certificated Composite Securities endorsed for exchange as provided below. Upon receipt by the Applicable Issuers and the Indenture Registrar of (A) the Holder's Certificated Composite Securities properly endorsed for the exchange and (B) written instructions from the Holder designating the face amounts of the Certificated Composite Securities to be issued (the aggregate of the face amounts being equal to the

aggregate face amount of the Certificated Composite Securities surrendered for exchange), then the Indenture Registrar shall cancel the Certificated Composite Securities in accordance with Section 2.10, record the exchange in the Indenture Register in accordance with Section 2.6(a), and upon execution by the Applicable Issuers authenticate and deliver one or more Certificated Composite Securities bearing the same designation as the Certificated Composite Securities endorsed for exchange, registered in the same names as the Certificated Composite Securities surrendered by the Holder, in different face amounts designated by the Holder, and in authorized denominations.

(h) The Components of the Composite Securities, whether in the form of Certificated Preference Shares, Regulation S Global Preference Shares or the Treasury Strip, are not separately transferable. For the avoidance of doubt, a Holder of a Class 1 Composite Security may not exchange its Class 1 Composite Security for proportional interests in the underlying securities represented by the Components thereof.

(i) If Securities are issued upon the transfer, exchange, or replacement of Securities bearing the applicable legends in the applicable Exhibit A, and if a request is made to remove the legend on the Securities, the legend shall not be removed unless the Trustee and the Applicable Issuers received satisfactory evidence, which may include an Opinion of Counsel acceptable to them, reasonably required by the Applicable Issuers (and which shall by its terms permit reliance by the Trustee), to the effect that neither the legend nor the restrictions on transfer in it are required to ensure that transfers of the Securities comply with the Securities Act, the 1940 Act, ERISA, and the Code. Upon provision of satisfactory evidence, the Trustee or its Authenticating Agent, at the written direction of the Applicable Issuers shall, after due execution by the Applicable Issuers authenticate and deliver Securities that do not bear the applicable legend.

(j) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Section 2.6 to the contrary:

(i) Restrictions on U.S. Transfers. Transfers of an interest in a Regulation S Global Security that are not made in an offshore transaction pursuant to Regulation S or are made to U.S. Persons, if such transferees take delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note or a Certificated Composite Security, shall be limited to transfers made pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.6(f)(iii) and Section 2.6(f)(iv).

(ii) Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Security may only be held through Euroclear or Clearstream.

(k) Each person who becomes a beneficial owner of a Note or Composite Security evidenced by: (i) an interest in a Certificated Composite Security or Definitive Security, shall make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in the applicable Transferee Certificate set forth in Exhibit B upon such person's purchase or other acquisition of the relevant Certificated Composite Security or Definitive Security and (ii) an interest in a Global Security, shall be deemed to make (or, in the case of a Class 1 Composite Security, represented by a Global Security purchased in the Offering of the Securities, will be required to make) the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in the applicable legends of the Securities set forth in Exhibit A hereto and in the applicable Transferee Certificate set forth in Exhibit B hereto upon such person's purchase or other acquisition of the relevant Global Security.

(l) The aggregate principal amount of any Global Security may be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee, as custodian for DTC for the Global Security, which adjustments shall be conclusive as to the aggregate principal amount of any Global Security.

(m) Any purported transfer of a Security not in accordance with this Section 2.6 shall be null and void.

**Section 2.7. *Mutilated, Destroyed, Lost, or Stolen Securities.***

If the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, and the relevant Transfer Agent receive evidence to their satisfaction of the destruction, loss, or theft of any Security, and they receive the security or indemnity they require to hold each of them harmless, or if any mutilated Security is surrendered to a Transfer Agent, then, in the absence of notice to the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, or the Transfer Agent that the Security has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the Applicable Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in exchange for the mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Security, a replacement Security, of like tenor and equal principal amount.

If, after delivery of the replacement Security or payment on it, a protected purchaser of the predecessor Security presents it for payment, transfer, or exchange, the Applicable Issuers, the Transfer Agent, and the Trustee may recover the replacement Security (or the payment on it) from the person to whom it was delivered or any person taking the replacement Note from the person to whom the replacement Note was delivered or any assignee of that person, except a protected purchaser, and may recover on the security or indemnity provided therefor to the extent of any loss, damage, cost, or expense incurred by the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, and the Transfer Agent in connection with it.

If any mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Security has become payable, the Applicable Issuers in their discretion may, instead of issuing a new Security pay the Security without requiring its surrender except that any mutilated Security shall be surrendered.

Upon the issuance of any new Security under this Section, the Applicable Issuers or the Trustee may require the payment by its holder of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with the issuance and any other expenses (including the fees and expenses of the Trustee) connected with it.

Every new Security issued pursuant to this Section in replacement for any mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Security shall be an original additional contractual obligation of the Applicable Issuers and the new Security shall be entitled to all the benefits of this Indenture equally and proportionately with all other Securities of the same Class duly issued under this Indenture.

The provisions of this Section are exclusive and shall preclude (to the extent lawful) all other rights with respect to the replacement or payment of mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Securities.

Section 2.8. ***Payment of Principal and Interest and Other Amounts; Principal and Interest Rights Preserved; Withholding.***

(a) The Notes of each Class shall accrue interest during each Interest Period on their Aggregate Outstanding Amount (determined as of the first day of the Interest Period and after giving effect to any redemption or other payment of principal occurring on that day) at the Applicable Note Interest Rate. Interest shall be payable in arrears on each Payment Date. Payment of interest on each Class of Notes shall be subordinated to the payments of interest on the related Priority Classes and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of interest due on the Class of Deferred Interest Notes that is not available to be paid ("***Deferred Interest***") in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered "payable" for the purposes of this Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Interest shall cease to accrue on each Note, or in the case of a partial repayment, on the part repaid, from the date of repayment or the respective Stated Maturity unless payment of principal is improperly withheld or unless there is some other default with respect to the payments of principal.

To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for the Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest, until paid as provided in this Indenture.

(b) The principal of each Note of each Class matures at par and is payable on the Payment Date that is the Stated Maturity for the Class of Notes, unless the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable at an earlier date by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the payment of principal of each Class of Notes:

(i) may only occur after principal on each Class of Notes that is a Priority Class with respect to the Class has been paid in full and

(ii) is subordinated to the payment on each Payment Date of the principal and interest payable on the Priority Classes, and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

(c) Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Section 9.1.

(d) As a condition to the payment of principal of and interest on any Security without the imposition of U.S. withholding tax, the Paying Agent shall require the previous delivery of appropriate properly completed and signed United States federal income tax certifications (generally, an Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a person that is a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code or an appropriate Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a person that is not a "United States person" within the meaning

of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) or any other certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, and any Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments on the Security under any present or future law of the United States or any present or future law of any political subdivision of the United States or taxing authority in the United States or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under any such law.

(e) Payments in respect of interest on and principal of any Note shall be made by the Trustee, or by the Irish Listing and Paying Agent, if applicable, in U.S. Dollars to the Depository or its designee with respect to a Global Security and to the Holder or its nominee with respect to a Certificated Composite Security or a Definitive Security, by wire transfer, as directed by the Holder, in immediately available funds to a U.S. Dollar account maintained by the Depository or its nominee with respect to a Global Security, and to the Holder or its designee with respect to a Certificated Composite Security or a Definitive Security, in the case of a Certificated Composite Security or a Definitive Security, its holder has provided written wiring instructions to the Trustee and, if the payment is to be made by the Irish Listing and Paying Agent, the Irish Listing and Paying Agent, on or before the related Record Date. Payments in respect of interest on and principal of any Preference Share payable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in accordance with the Priority of Payments for payments on the Preference Shares in accordance with the Preference Share Documents shall be payable by wire transfer in immediately available funds (or by internal transfer if the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent are the same Person) to the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

If appropriate instructions for the wire transfer are not received by the related Record Date, then the payment will be made by check drawn on a U.S. bank mailed to the address of the Holder in the Indenture Register. Upon final payment due on the Maturity of a Note, its holder shall present and surrender the Note at the office designated by the Trustee on or before the Maturity. If the Trustee and the Applicable Issuers have been furnished the security or indemnity they require to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the certificate, then, in the absence of notice to the Applicable Issuers or the Trustee that the applicable Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender. In the case of Components to be redeemed, the related Composite Securities do not need to be surrendered at the office of any paying agent under this Indenture to receive the applicable Redemption Price. Neither the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, nor any Paying Agent shall have any responsibility or liability for any aspects of the records maintained by Euroclear, Clearstream, or any of the Agent Members relating to or for payments made thereby on account of beneficial interests in a Global Security.

In the case where any final payment of principal and interest is to be made on any Note (other than on its Stated Maturity and except as otherwise provided in this Indenture), the Trustee, in the name and at the expense of the Applicable Issuers shall, not more than 30 nor less than 10 days before the date on which the payment is to be made, mail (by first-class mail, postage prepaid) to the persons entitled thereto at their addresses appearing on the Indenture Register, a notice specifying the date on which the payment will be made, the amount of the payment per U.S.\$100,000 original principal amount of Notes and the place where the Notes may be presented and surrendered for payment.

The final payment on any Composite Security shall be made only upon surrender of the certificate for the Composite Security to the Trustee at the office designated by the Trustee. If the Trustee and the Issuer have been furnished any security or indemnity they require to save

each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the certificate, then, in the absence of notice to the Issuer or the Trustee that the applicable certificate has been acquired by a protected purchaser, final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender of the applicable certificate.

(f) Payments of principal to Holders of the Notes of each Class shall be made in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes of the Class registered in the name of each Holder on the applicable Record Date bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Notes of the Class on the Record Date.

(g) Interest accrued shall be calculated (i) in the case of the Notes (other than the Fixed Rate Notes) on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in the applicable Interest Period divided by 360 and (ii) in the case of the Fixed Rate Notes on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

(h) All reductions in the principal amount of a Security (or one or more predecessor Securities) effected by payments of installments of principal made on any Payment Date or Redemption Date shall be binding on all future Holders of the Security and of any Security issued upon the registration of its transfer, exchange, or replacement, whether or not the payment is noted on the Security.

(i) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the obligations of the Applicable Issuers under the Notes and the Class 1 Components and under this Indenture are limited recourse obligations of the Applicable Issuers payable solely from the Collateral and the Class 1 Collateral (as applicable) and following realization of the assets, application of their proceeds in accordance with this Indenture and the reduction of the proceeds of the Collateral to zero, all obligations of, and any claims against, the Co-Issuers under this Indenture or under the Securities or arising in connection therewith shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. No recourse shall be had against any Officer, director, employee, shareholder, or incorporator of either of the Co-Issuers or their respective successors or assigns for any amounts payable under the Securities or this Indenture. The foregoing provisions of this paragraph (i) shall not (1) prevent recourse to the Collateral and the Class 1 Collateral (as applicable) for the sums due or to become due under any security, instrument, or agreement that is part of the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral (as applicable) or (2) be a waiver, release, or discharge of any indebtedness or obligation evidenced by the Securities or secured by this Indenture until the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral (as applicable) have been realized. The foregoing provisions of this paragraph (i) shall not limit the right of any person to name the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as a party defendant in any Proceeding or in the exercise of any other remedy under the Notes or this Indenture, so long as no judgment in the nature of a deficiency judgment or seeking personal liability is sought or (if obtained) enforced against the person.

(j) If any withholding tax is imposed on the Issuer's payment (or allocations of income) under the Securities to any Noteholder or Composite Securityholder, as applicable, the tax shall reduce the amount otherwise distributable to the Noteholder or Composite Securityholder, as applicable. The Trustee is hereby authorized and directed to retain from amounts otherwise distributable to any Noteholder or Composite Securityholder sufficient funds for the payment of any tax that is legally owed, or required by law to be collected, by or on behalf of the Issuer (but the authorization shall not prevent the Trustee or the Issuer from contesting any such tax in appropriate proceedings and withholding payment of the tax, if permitted by law, pending the outcome of the proceedings). The amount of any withholding tax imposed with respect to any Noteholder or Composite Securityholder shall be treated as Cash



distributed to the Noteholder or Composite Securityholder when it is withheld by the Trustee and remitted to the appropriate taxing authority. If there is a possibility that withholding tax is payable with respect to a distribution, the Trustee may in its sole discretion withhold the amounts in accordance with this Section 2.8(j). If any Noteholder or Composite Securityholder wishes to apply for a refund of any such withholding tax, the Trustee shall reasonably cooperate with the Noteholder or Composite Securityholder in making the claim by providing information readily available to the Trustee so long as the Noteholder or Composite Securityholder agrees to reimburse the Trustee for any out-of-pocket expenses incurred and provides the Trustee with security reasonably acceptable to the Trustee assuring the reimbursement. The Trustee hereby provides notice to each Noteholder or Composite Securityholder that the failure by the Noteholder or Composite Securityholder to provide the Trustee with appropriate tax certifications may result in amounts being withheld from payments to the Noteholder or Composite Securityholder. Nothing in this Indenture shall impose an obligation on the part of the Trustee to determine the amount of any tax or withholding obligation on the part of the Issuer or in respect of the Securities.

Section 2.9. ***Persons Considered Owners.***

The Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, and any agent of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee may treat as the owner of the Security the person in whose name any Security is registered on the Indenture Register on the applicable Record Date for the purpose of receiving payments of principal of and interest on the Security and on any other date for all other purposes whatsoever (whether or not the Security is overdue), and neither the Issuer, the Co-Issuers, nor the Trustee nor any agent of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the Trustee shall be affected by notice to the contrary. The Portfolio Manager shall notify the Trustee of any Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager that owns the Securities or Preference Shares.

Section 2.10. ***Cancellation.***

All Securities surrendered for payment, registration of transfer, exchange, or redemption, or lost or stolen, shall be promptly canceled by the Trustee and may not be reissued or resold. No Securities shall be authenticated in lieu of or in exchange for any Securities canceled as provided in this Section 2.10, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture. All canceled Securities held by the Trustee shall be destroyed by the Trustee in accordance with its standard policy unless the Co-Issuers direct by an Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee prior to cancellation and destruction that they be returned to the Issuer.

Section 2.11. ***Definitive Securities.***

(a) A Global Security deposited with the Depository pursuant to Section 2.2 shall be transferred in the form of a Definitive Security to their beneficial owners only if the transfer complies with Section 2.6 and either

(i) the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as Depository for the Global Security or

(ii) if at any time the Depository ceases to be a Clearing Agency registered under the Exchange Act and, in each case, a successor depository is not appointed by the Co-Issuers within 90 days after the notice.

(b) Any Global Security that is transferable in the form of a Definitive Security to its beneficial owners pursuant to this Section 2.11 shall be surrendered by the Depository to the office of the Trustee's agent located in the City of New York, New York as specified in Section 7.2 (or any other office designated by the Trustee) to be so transferred, in whole or from time to time in part, without charge, and the Applicable Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, upon the transfer of each portion of the Global Security, an equal aggregate principal amount of definitive physical certificates (pursuant to the instructions of the Depository) (each, a "**Definitive Security**") in authorized denominations. Any Definitive Security delivered in exchange for an interest in a Global Security, as applicable, shall, except as otherwise provided by Section 2.6(i), bear the legends in the applicable portion of Exhibit A and shall be subject to the transfer restrictions referred to in the legends.

(c) The Holder of a Global Security may grant proxies and otherwise authorize any person, including Agent Members and persons that may hold interests through Agent Members, to take any action which a Holder is entitled to take under this Indenture or the Securities, as applicable.

(d) Upon the occurrence of either of the events specified in Section 2.11(a)(i) and (ii), the Co-Issuers shall promptly make available to the Trustee a reasonable supply of Definitive Securities in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons.

The Definitive Securities shall be in substantially the same form as the Global Securities, with any changes the Issuer and Trustee agree to and the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in exchange therefor, the same aggregate principal amount of Definitive Securities of authorized denominations.

**Section 2.12. *Securities Beneficially Owned by Persons Not QIB/QPs or Qualified Purchasers.***

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary elsewhere in this Indenture, any transfer of a beneficial interest in any (i) Global Security to a U.S. person (for purposes of this Section 2.12 as defined in Regulation S) that is not a QIB/QP or (ii) Certificated Composite Security to a U.S. person that is not an Accredited Investor and a Qualified Purchaser, and that is not in each case made pursuant to an applicable exemption under the Securities Act, shall be void and any such purported transfer of which the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the Trustee has notice may be disregarded by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, and the Trustee for all purposes.

(b) After discovery by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the Trustee (and notice by the Trustee or the Co-Issuer to the Issuer, if either of them makes the discovery), that a person is a Non-Permitted Holder, the Issuer shall promptly send notice to the Non-Permitted Holder demanding that the Non-Permitted Holder transfer its interest to a person that is not a Non-Permitted Holder within 30 days of the date of the notice. If the Non-Permitted Holder fails to so transfer its Notes, Composite Securities, or interest in the Securities, without further notice to the Non-Permitted Holder, the Issuer may sell the Notes, Composite Securities, or interest in the Securities to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is not a Non-Permitted Holder on any terms the Issuer chooses. The Issuer, or the Trustee acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting bids (or by appointing an investment bank at the expense of the Issuer to solicit bids) from brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Securities, and selling the Securities, or interest in the Securities to the highest bidder. However, the Issuer or the Trustee may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Security, the beneficial owner of

each interest in a Security, the Non-Permitted Holder, and each other person in the chain of title from the Holder or beneficial owner to the Non-Permitted Holder, by its acceptance of an interest in the Securities agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Trustee to effect the transfers. The proceeds of the sale, net of any commissions, expenses of the Trustee or otherwise, and taxes due in connection with the sale shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted Holder. The terms of any sale under this subsection shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer (or the Trustee acting on its behalf), and the Issuer and the Trustee shall not be liable to any person having an interest in the Securities sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of its discretion.

### ARTICLE 3

#### CONDITIONS PRECEDENT

##### Section 3.1. *Conditions to Issuance of Securities on Closing Date.*

The Securities to be issued on the Closing Date shall be executed by the Applicable Issuers and delivered to the Trustee for authentication and thereupon the same shall be authenticated and delivered by the Trustee upon Issuer Order and upon receipt by the Trustee of the following:

(i) *Officers' Certificates of the Co-Issuers Regarding Corporate Matters.*  
An Officer's certificate of each of the Co-Issuers:

(A) (1) evidencing (x) the authorization by Board Resolution of the execution and delivery of this Indenture and the Purchase Agreement and, in the case of the Issuer, the Management Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Insurance Documents and the Hedge Agreements being entered into on or before the Closing Date (if any), and related transaction documents and (y) the execution, authentication, and delivery of the Notes and Composite Securities applied for by it and specifying the Stated Maturity, principal amount, and, with respect to the Notes, the Note Interest Rate of each Class of Notes to be authenticated and delivered and (2) evidencing the authorization by Board Resolution of the issuance, terms and number of Preference Shares issued on the Closing Date, and that each of the foregoing is in accordance with the terms of the Board Resolution, and

(B) certifying that (1) the attached copy of the Board Resolution is an accurate copy, (2) the resolutions have not been rescinded and are in full force on and as of the Closing Date, and (3) the Officers authorized to execute and deliver the documents hold the offices and have the signatures indicated on the documents.

(ii) *Governmental Approvals.* From each of the Co-Issuers either:

(A) a certificate of the Applicable Issuer or other official document evidencing the due authorization, approval, or consent of any governmental bodies, at the time having jurisdiction in the premises, together with an Opinion of Counsel of the Applicable Issuer that no other authorization, approval, or

consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of the Securities applied for by it, or

(B) an Opinion of Counsel of the Applicable Issuer that no authorization, approval, or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of the Securities except as have been given.

(iii) *Co-Issuers' and Portfolio Manager's U.S. Counsel Opinion.* An opinion of McKee Nelson LLP, special U.S. counsel to the Co-Issuers, and Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, counsel to the Portfolio Manager, including 10b-5 letter, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the forms of Exhibit C and Exhibit F.

(iv) *Issuer's Cayman Counsel Opinion.* An opinion of Maples and Calder, Cayman Islands counsel to the Issuer, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit D.

(v) *Trustee's Counsel Opinion.* An opinion of Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP, counsel to the Trustee, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit E.

(vi) *Officers' Certificates of Co-Issuers Regarding Indenture.* An Officer's certificate of each of the Co-Issuers stating that, to the best of the Officer's knowledge,

(A) the Applicable Issuer is not in default under this Indenture and that the issuance of the Securities applied for by it will not result in a default or a breach of, or be a default under, its organizational documents, any indenture or other agreement or instrument to which it is a party or by which it is bound, or any order of any court or administrative agency entered in any Proceeding to which it is a party or by which it may be bound or to which it may be subject;

(B) all conditions precedent in this Indenture relating to the authentication and delivery of the Securities have been complied with; and

(C) all expenses due or accrued with respect to the Offering or relating to actions taken on or in connection with the Closing Date have been paid or reserves therefor have been made.

The Officer's certificate of the Issuer shall also state that, to the best of the Officer's knowledge, all of its representations and warranties contained in this Indenture are accurate as of the Closing Date.

(vii) *Hedge Agreements.* Executed copies of the Hedge Agreements being entered into on or entered into before the Closing Date, if any.

(viii) *Management Agreement.* Executed copy of the Management Agreement.

(ix) *Preference Shares.* Copies of executed Preference Share certificates to be issued on the Closing Date.

(x) *Preference Share Documents.* An executed counterpart of each of the Preference Share Documents.

(xi) *Collateral Administration Agreement.* Executed copy of the Collateral Administration Agreement.

(xii) *Insurance Documents.* An executed counterpart of each of the Insurance Documents

(xiii) *Grant of Collateral Obligations.* Evidence of the Grant pursuant to the Granting Clauses of this Indenture of all of the Issuer's interest in the Collateral Obligations and the Treasury Strip pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral and the Class 1 Collateral, as applicable, on the Closing Date and Delivery of the Collateral Obligations (including any promissory notes and all other Underlying Instruments related to them to the extent received by the Issuer) and the Treasury Strip to the Trustee or the Custodian as contemplated by Section 3.2.

(xiv) *Certificate of the Portfolio Manager.* A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, to the best knowledge of the Portfolio Manager, in the case of each Collateral Obligation pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, as the case may be, on the Closing Date and immediately before the delivery of the Collateral Obligation on the Closing Date:

(A) the "row/column combination" of the table appearing in the definition of "Ratings Matrix" selected by the Portfolio Manager on the Closing Date;

(B) the information with respect to the Collateral Obligation in the Schedule of Collateral Obligations is correct; and

(C) the Collateral Obligation satisfies the requirements of the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and of Section 3.1(xxi)(B);

(xv) *Rating Letters.* An Officer's certificate of the Issuer to the effect that attached is an accurate copy of a letter signed by each Rating Agency and confirming that each Class of Securities rated by the Rating Agency has been assigned the applicable Initial Rating and that the ratings are in full force on the Closing Date.

(xvi) *Accounts.* Evidence that each of the Accounts has been established.

(xvii) *Issuer Order for Deposit of Funds into Accounts.* An Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, authorizing the deposit of approximately U.S.\$276,000,000 into the Collection Account for use pursuant to Section 7.19, the deposit of approximately U.S.\$18,300,000 into the Closing Date Expense Account for use pursuant to Section 10.3(g) and the deposit of approximately U.S.\$2,000,000 into the Interest Reserve Account for use pursuant to Section 10.3(i).

(xviii) *Irish Listing.* An Officer's certificate of the Issuer to the effect that application has been made to the Irish Stock Exchange to admit the Securities to the Daily Official List.

(xix) *Issuer Order for Authentication of Securities.* An Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, directing the Trustee to authenticate the Securities in the amounts, in the registered names, and with the CUSIP numbers in the Issuer Order.

(xx) *Accountants' Certificate.* An Accountants' Certificate (A) confirming the information with respect to each Collateral Obligation on the Schedule of Collateral Obligations attached as Schedule 1, (B) confirming that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that the Issuer has committed to purchase in accordance with customary settlement procedures in the relevant markets, is at least U.S.\$497,250,000, that each Concentration Limitation is satisfied taking into account all of the Collateral Obligations acquired as of the Closing Date (including binding agreements to purchase Collateral Obligations in effect on the Closing Date), that the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date and that the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date and a calculation of the Diversity Score, (C) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to this Section 3.1(xx) and (D) confirming the weighted average purchase price of the Collateral Obligations.

(xxi) *Certificate of the Issuer Regarding Collateral.* A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, to the knowledge of the Issuer, in the case of each Collateral Obligation pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, as the case may be, on the Closing Date and immediately before the delivery of the Collateral Obligation on the Closing Date:

(A) the Issuer is the owner of the Collateral Obligation free of any liens, claims, or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever except for those that are being released on the Closing Date and except for those Granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture;

(B) the Issuer has acquired its ownership in the Collateral Obligation in good faith without notice of any adverse claim, except as described in paragraph (A) above;

(C) the Issuer has not assigned, pledged, or otherwise encumbered any interest in the Collateral Obligation (or, if any interest in the Collateral Obligation has been assigned, pledged, or otherwise encumbered, it has been released before the Closing Date or is being released on the Closing Date) other than interests Granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture;

(D) the Issuer has full right to Grant a security interest in and assign and pledge the Collateral Obligation to the Trustee;

(E) upon Grant by the Issuer, the Trustee has a first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral Obligations and the other Collateral; and

(F) based solely on the Accountant's Certificate set forth in clause (xx) above, the weighted average purchase price of the Collateral Obligations in the Portfolio as of the Closing Date is at least 90% of the aggregate par amount thereof.

(xxii) *Certificate of the Issuer Regarding Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice.* A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, on or prior to the Closing Date the Issuer provided to the Depository the Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice, substantially in the form of Exhibit H-2.

(xxiii) *Other Documents.* Any other documents the Trustee reasonably requires. Nothing in this clause (xxiii) shall imply or impose a duty on the part of the Trustee to require any other documents.

Section 3.2. ***Custodianship; Delivery of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments.***

(a) The Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, shall deliver or cause to be delivered to a custodian appointed by the Issuer, which shall be a Securities Intermediary (the "***Custodian***"), all Collateral in accordance with the definition of "Deliver." Initially, the Custodian shall be JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association. Any successor custodian shall be a state or national bank or trust company that is not an Affiliate of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and has capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000 and is a Securities Intermediary. Subject to the limited right to relocate Pledged Obligations as provided in Section 7.5(b), the Trustee shall hold all Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, other investments purchased in accordance with this Indenture (other than Loans, Participations and general intangibles) and Cash in the relevant Account established and maintained pursuant to Article 10, as to which in each case the Trustee shall have entered into an agreement with the Custodian substantially in the form of Exhibit G providing, inter alia, that the establishment and maintenance of the Account shall be governed by the law of the State of New York. Initially, the Custodian for each Account shall be JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association.

(b) Each time that the Issuer, or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer, directs or causes the acquisition of any Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment, or other investments, the Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Issuer) shall, if the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment, or other investment is required to be, but has not already been, transferred to the relevant Account, cause the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment, or other investment to be Delivered to the Custodian to be held in the Custodial Account (or in the case of any such investment that is not a Collateral Obligation, in the Account in which the funds used to purchase the investment are held in accordance with Article 10) for the benefit of the Trustee in accordance with this Indenture. The security interest of the Trustee in the funds or other property used in connection with the acquisition shall, immediately and without further action on the part of the Trustee, be released. The security interest of the Trustee shall nevertheless come into existence and continue in the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment, or other investment so acquired, including all interests of the Issuer in to any contracts related to and proceeds of the Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, or other investments.

Section 3.3. ***Representations as to Collateral.***

(a) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants to the Secured Parties as to the Collateral and to the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities as to the Class 1 Collateral as follows (which representations are repeated on each day on which the Issuer acquires new Collateral or new Class 1 Collateral):

(i) This Indenture creates a valid and continuing security interest (as defined in the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) in the Collateral and the Class 1 Collateral in favor of the Trustee, which security interest is prior to all other liens, charges, claims, security interests, mortgages, and other encumbrances, and is enforceable as such as against creditors of and purchasers from the Issuer.

(ii) The Issuer has good and marketable title to and is the owner of each item of Collateral and Class 1 Collateral free of any liens, claims, or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever except for liens (A) that are being released on the Closing Date and (B) granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture.

(iii) The Issuer has not assigned, pledged, or otherwise encumbered any interest in the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral (or, if any interest in the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral has been assigned, pledged, or otherwise encumbered, it has been released before the Closing Date or is being released on the Closing Date) other than interests granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture.

(iv) The Issuer has full right, and has received all consents and approvals required by the related Underlying Instruments, to grant a security interest in its rights in the Collateral and the Class 1 Collateral to the Trustee.

(v) Each Collateral Obligation included in the Collateral satisfied the requirements of the definition of "Collateral Obligation" as of the date the Issuer committed to purchase the same or, in the case of the Warehoused Loans, as of the Closing Date.

(vi) All Collateral Obligations, any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange did not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, and Eligible Investments (other than, in each case, "general intangibles" within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) have been and will have been credited to one of the Accounts. The securities intermediary for each Account has agreed to treat all assets credited to the Accounts as "financial assets" within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code.

(vii) The Issuer has pledged to the Trustee all of the Issuer's interest in the Class 1 Collateral and each Collateral Obligation included in the Collateral pursuant to the Granting Clauses of this Indenture and has delivered the Class 1 Collateral and each Collateral Obligation (including any promissory note and all its other Underlying Instruments to the extent received by the Issuer) to the Trustee or the Custodian as contemplated by Section 3.2.

(viii) Each of the Class 1 Collateral and the Collateral constitutes "general intangibles," "certificated securities," "instruments," "securities entitlements," "uncertificated securities," each within the meaning of the applicable Uniform



Commercial Code, or any other category of collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code as to which the Issuer has complied with its obligations under Section 3.3(b).

(ix) The Issuer has caused (or will have caused within 10 days following the Closing Date) the filing of appropriate financing statements in the proper filing offices in the appropriate jurisdictions under applicable law to perfect the security interest in the portion of the Collateral and the Class 1 Collateral pledged to the Trustee under this Indenture that may be perfected by the filing of financing statements.

(x) The Issuer has not authorized the filing of and is not aware of any financing statements against the Issuer that include a description of collateral covering the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral other than any financing statement (A) relating to the security interest granted to the Trustee under this Indenture, (B) that has been terminated, or (C) that names the Trustee as the secured party. On the date of this Indenture, the Issuer is not aware of any judgment or Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation or tax lien filings against the Issuer.

(xi) The Issuer has delivered to the Trustee a fully executed agreement pursuant to which the securities intermediary for each Account has agreed to comply with all instructions originated by the Trustee relating to the Account without further consent by the Issuer.

(xii) All original executed copies of each "instrument" (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral have been delivered to the Custodian, to the extent received by the Issuer. The Issuer has received a written acknowledgment from the Custodian that the Custodian is holding all the instruments delivered to it that are or evidence the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral solely on behalf and for the benefit of the Trustee. None of the instruments that are or evidence the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral has any marks or notations indicating that they are then pledged or otherwise assigned to any person other than the Trustee.

(xiii) The Accounts are not in the name of any person other than the Issuer or the Trustee. The Issuer has not consented to the securities intermediary of any Account to comply with instructions of any person other than the Trustee.

(xiv) All "certificated securities" (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral have been delivered to the Custodian, to the extent received by the Issuer, registered in the name of the Custodian or indorsed to the Custodian. The Issuer has received a written acknowledgment from the Custodian that the Custodian is holding all the certificated securities delivered to it that are or evidence the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral solely on behalf and for the benefit of the Trustee.

(xv) The Issuer has caused all "uncertificated securities" (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral to be registered in the name of the Custodian.

(xvi) Upon grant by the Issuer, the Trustee has a first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral and the Class 1 Collateral.

(b) If the Issuer acquires Collateral or Class 1 Collateral that is not "general intangibles," "certificated securities," "instruments," "securities entitlements," "uncertificated securities," each within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code, or another category of collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code as to which the Issuer has complied with its obligations under this Section 3.3(b), then on or before the date on which the Issuer acquires the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral, the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer) shall notify S&P and the Trustee (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) of its acquisition or intended acquisition of the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral and the Issuer shall represent to S&P and to the Trustee (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) as to the category of the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code and shall make any further representations as to the perfection and priority of the security interest in the Collateral Granted under this Indenture acceptable to S&P.

## ARTICLE 4

### SATISFACTION AND DISCHARGE

#### Section 4.1. *Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture.*

This Indenture shall be discharged and shall cease to be of further effect with respect to the Notes, the Composite Securities, the Class 1 Collateral and the Collateral except as to:

- (i) rights of registration of transfer and exchange,
- (ii) substitution of mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Securities,
- (iii) rights of Holders of the Notes to receive payments of principal and interest on, or other amounts (including without limitation Extension Bonus Payments) owing in respect of, the Notes as provided in this Indenture, rights of Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities to receive distributions with respect to the Class 1 Component as provided herein and rights of the Insurer to receive any such payments of principal and interest pursuant to Section 16.5,
- (iv) the rights, indemnities, and immunities of the Trustee under this Indenture and the obligations of the Trustee under Section 7.3 of this Indenture with respect to the holding and paying of unclaimed funds,
- (v) for so long as any Preference Shares remain Outstanding, any provisions hereof conferring any rights or remedies upon the Holders of the Preference Shares or the Preference Shares Paying Agent on behalf of the Holders of the Preference Shares, including but not limited to, the provisions of Articles 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15,
- (vi) for so long as any Preference Shares remain Outstanding, the provisions of Articles 10, 11 and 12 relating to the acquisition, retention, disbursement and reinvestment of Collateral,
- (vi) the rights, obligations, and immunities of the Portfolio Manager under this Indenture and under the Management Agreement,

(vii) the rights, obligations, and immunities of the Insurer under this Indenture and under the Insurance Agreement, and

(viii) the rights of Holders of the Notes as beneficiaries of this Indenture with respect to the property deposited with the Trustee and payable to any of them and the rights of the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities as beneficiaries of this Indenture with respect to the Class 1 Collateral (and the Trustee, on demand of and at the expense of the Issuer, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture),

when:

(a) either:

(i) all Securities theretofore authenticated and delivered to Noteholders and Composite Securityholders (other than (A) Securities that have been destroyed, lost, or stolen and which have been replaced or paid as provided in Section 2.7 and (B) Notes for whose payment money has theretofore irrevocably been deposited in trust and thereafter repaid to the Issuer or discharged from the trust, as provided in Section 7.3), have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation; or

(ii) all Securities not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation

(A) have become payable, or

(B) will become payable at their Stated Maturity within one year,  
or

(C) are to be called for redemption pursuant to Article 9 under an arrangement satisfactory to the Trustee for the giving of notice of redemption by the Applicable Issuers pursuant to Section 9.3,

and the Issuer has irrevocably deposited with the Trustee, in trust for payment of the principal and interest on the Securities, Cash or non-callable obligations of the United States of America. The Treasury Strip is the obligation that must be deposited and held in a segregated trust account with respect to the Class 1 Component, and when distribution is required, will be distributed in kind in complete satisfaction of all obligations to the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities for payment on their interest in the Class 1 Component (and the Class 1 Component shall not be entitled to any of the proceeds of any of the other obligations). The obligations deposited under Section 4.1(a)(ii) with respect to the other Securities must be entitled to the full faith and credit of the United States of America or be debt obligations that are rated "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, in an amount sufficient, as verified by a firm of Independent certified public accountants that are nationally recognized, to pay and discharge the entire indebtedness on the Securities not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation, for principal and interest to the date of the deposit (in the case of Securities that have become payable), or to the respective Stated Maturity or the respective Redemption Date, as the case may be, and the Issuer shall have Granted to the Trustee a valid perfected security interest in the Eligible Investment that is of first priority, free of any adverse claim, and shall have furnished an Opinion of Counsel with respect thereto. Section 4.1(a)(ii) shall not apply if an election to act in accordance with

Section 5.5(a) has been made and not rescinded. In addition, the Issuer shall cause delivery to the Trustee of an Opinion of Counsel of Independent U.S. tax counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters to the effect that the Holders of Notes would recognize no income, gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of the deposit and satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture;

(b) the Issuer has paid all other sums then payable under this Indenture and the Insurance Agreement by the Issuer and no other amounts are scheduled to be payable by the Issuer; and

(c) the Co-Issuers have delivered to the Trustee Officer's certificates and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent in this Indenture provided for relating to the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture have been complied with.

Notwithstanding the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture, the rights and obligations of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Insurer, and, if applicable, the Noteholders and the Composite Securityholders, as the case may be, under Sections 2.8, 4.2, 5.4(d), 5.9, 5.18, 6.6, 6.7, 7.1, 7.3, 13.1, and 14.14 shall survive.

Section 4.2. ***Application of Trust Money.***

All monies deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 4.1 shall be held in trust for the person entitled to it and applied by the Trustee in accordance with the Securities and this Indenture, including the Priority of Payments, to the payment of principal and interest, either directly or through any Paying Agent, as the Trustee may determine. The money shall be held in a segregated non-interest bearing trust account identified as being held in trust for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

Section 4.3. ***Repayment of Monies Held by Paying Agent.***

In connection with the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture with respect to the Securities, all monies then held by any Paying Agent other than the Trustee under this Indenture shall, upon demand of the Co-Issuers, be paid to the Trustee to be held and applied pursuant to Section 7.3 and in accordance with the Priority of Payments and thereupon the Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to the monies.

## ARTICLE 5

### REMEDIES

Section 5.1. ***Events of Default.***

"***Event of Default,***" wherever used in this Indenture, means any one of the following events whatever the reason:

(a) a default for four Business Days in the payment of any interest on any Class of Notes (determined without giving effect to any payments made under the Policy) that is currently part of the Controlling Class when it becomes payable (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, the Irish Listing and Paying Agent or the Indenture Registrar, after seven Business Days);

(b) a default in the payment of principal of any Note (and any Make-Whole Premium, if applicable) (determined without giving effect to any payments made under the Policy) or any distribution with respect to the Class 1 Component under Section 11.2, when the same becomes payable, at its Stated Maturity or on the Redemption Date;

(c) the failure on any Payment Date to disburse amounts available in the Payment Account in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the failure continues for 3 Business Days;

(d) on any Measurement Date for so long as any Senior Class A Notes or Class A-2 Notes are Outstanding, the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is less than 102% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Senior Class A Notes and the Class A-2 Notes;

(e) either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral becomes an investment company under the 1940 Act;

(f) breach of any other covenant or other agreement of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture (other than any failure to satisfy any of the Collateral Quality Tests, any of the Concentration Limitations, any of the Coverage Tests, the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test, or other covenants or agreements for which a specific remedy has been provided in this Section 5.1) in any material respect, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant thereto, or in connection therewith, to be correct in any material respect when made, and the breach or failure continues for 30 days after either of the Co-Issuers has actual knowledge of it or after notice to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, and the Portfolio Manager by the Trustee or to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class by registered or certified mail or overnight courier specifying the breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that the notice is a "Notice of Default" under this Indenture;

(g) the entry of a decree or order by a court having competent jurisdiction adjudging the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, or composition of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, and if the decree or order remains unstayed and in effect for 45 consecutive days;

(h) the institution by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of Proceedings to have the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as the case may be, adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings against the Issuer or Co-Issuer, or the filing by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Bankruptcy Law or any other similar applicable law, or the consent by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or the taking of any action by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in furtherance of any such action;

(i) one or more final judgments is rendered against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer that exceed in the aggregate U.S.\$2,000,000 (or any lesser amount specified by any Rating Agency) and that remain unstayed, undischarged, and unsatisfied for 30 days after the judgments become nonappealable, unless adequate funds have been reserved or set aside for their payment, and unless (except as otherwise specified in writing by each Rating Agency) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereon; or

(j) the occurrence of an "Event of Default" under (and defined in) the Insurance Agreement.

**Section 5.2. *Acceleration of Maturity; Rescission and Annulment.***

(a) If an Event of Default is continuing (other than (i) an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h) or (ii) an Event of Default with respect to the Class 1 Component under Section 5.1(b)), the Trustee may, and upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall, declare the principal of all the Notes and the Class 1 Component to be immediately payable (and the Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance shall become immediately payable) by notice to the Applicable Issuers, and upon that declaration the unpaid principal of all the Notes, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), and other amounts payable under this Indenture, shall become immediately payable. The Reinvestment Period shall terminate upon a declaration of acceleration (subject to re-commencement pursuant to Section 5.2(b)). If an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h) occurs, all unpaid principal, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), of all the Notes and the Class 1 Component, and other amounts payable under this Indenture, shall automatically become payable (and the Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance shall become immediately payable) without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any Noteholder and the Reinvestment Period shall terminate automatically (subject to re-commencement pursuant to Section 5.2(b)). If an Event of Default occurs with respect to the Class 1 Component under Section 5.1(b), a Majority of the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities may declare the Class 1 Component immediately payable by notice to the Issuer and the Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance shall become immediately payable. Payment of the Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance when made shall be made to the Holders of the Class 1 Components as a distribution in kind of a *pro rata* share (based on the Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance) of each item of the Class 1 Collateral.

(b) At any time after the declaration of acceleration of maturity has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class (or a Majority of the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities solely in respect of the acceleration of the Class 1 Component by the Majority of the Class 1 Component) by written notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, may rescind the declaration and its consequences if:

(i) The Issuer or the Co-Issuer has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:

(A) all unpaid installments of interest and principal on the Notes then due or, in the case of acceleration of the Class 1 Component by the Majority of the Class 1 Component, all distributions with respect to the Class 1 Component under Section 11.2 (other than as a result of the acceleration);

(B) to the extent that payment of the interest is lawful, interest on any Deferred Interest and Defaulted Interest at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable;

(C) all unpaid Accrued Insurance Liabilities and unpaid Premium;

(D) all Administrative Expenses of the Co-Issuers and other sums paid or advanced by the Trustee under this Indenture;

(E) all unpaid Senior Management Fees; and

(F) all amounts then payable to any Hedge Counterparty; and

(ii) The Trustee has determined that all Events of Default, other than the nonpayment of the interest on or principal of the Notes or, in the case of acceleration of the Class 1 Component by the Majority of the Class 1 Component, nonpayment of distributions with respect to the Class 1 Component under Section 11.2 that have become due solely by the acceleration, have been (A) cured, and a Majority of the Controlling Class (or a Majority of the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities solely in respect of the acceleration of the Class 1 Component) by written notice to the Trustee has agreed with that determination, or (B) waived as provided in Section 5.14.

If a declaration of acceleration is rescinded as described above:

(x) the Reinvestment Period, if terminated by the declaration, shall recommence on the date of the rescission (unless the Reinvestment Period would have otherwise terminated before that date pursuant to clauses (i), (ii), or (iii) of its definition); and

(y) the Trustee shall preserve the Collateral and the Class 1 Collateral in accordance with this Indenture. If the preservation of the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral is rescinded pursuant to Section 5.5, the Notes and the Class 1 Component may again be accelerated pursuant to Section 5.2(a), notwithstanding any previous rescission of a declaration of acceleration pursuant to this Section 5.2(b)).

No rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right resulting from the Default.

(c) Notwithstanding anything in this Section 5.2 to the contrary, the Notes will not be subject to acceleration by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class, or any other Holders solely as a result of the failure to pay any amount due on Notes that are not of the Controlling Class.

**Section 5.3. *Collection of Indebtedness and Suits for Enforcement by Trustee.***

The Applicable Issuers covenant that if a default occurs in the payment of any principal of or interest when payable on any Note (determined without giving effect to any payments made under the Policy) or the Class 1 Component, upon demand of the Trustee or the Holder of any affected Note or Class 1 Composite Securities, the Applicable Issuers shall pay to the Trustee, for the benefit of the Holder of the Note or the Class 1 Composite Securities, the whole amount then payable on the Note or the Class 1 Component for principal and interest with

interest on the overdue principal and, to the extent that payments of the interest shall be legally enforceable, on overdue installments of interest and all other amounts owing to the Holders of the Securities and the Insurer under this Indenture and the Insurance Agreement, at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable, and, in addition, an amount sufficient to cover the costs and expenses of collection, including the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements, and advances of the Trustee and the Holders and their agents and counsel.

If the Issuer or the Co-Issuer fails to pay those amounts immediately on demand, the Trustee, in its own name and as Trustee of an express trust, may, and shall at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, institute a Proceeding for the collection of the sums due, may prosecute the Proceeding to judgment or final decree, and may enforce the same against the Applicable Issuers or any other obligor on the Notes or the Class 1 Component and collect the monies determined to be payable in the manner provided by law out of the Collateral.

If an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee may, and shall upon written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, proceed to protect and enforce its rights and the rights of the Holders of the Securities by any appropriate Proceedings as is deemed most effective (if no direction is received by the Trustee) or as the Trustee may be directed by a Majority of the Controlling Class, to protect and enforce the rights of the Trustee and the Holders of the Securities, whether for the specific enforcement of any agreement in this Indenture or in aid of the exercise of any power granted in this Indenture, or to enforce any other proper remedy or legal or equitable right vested in the Trustee by this Indenture or by law. The reasonable compensation, costs, expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or paid by the Trustee and its agents and counsel, in connection with such Proceeding, including, without limitation, the exercise of any remedies pursuant to Section 5.4, shall be reimbursed to the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.7.

If any Proceedings are pending relating to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any other obligor on the Notes or the Class 1 Component under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, or other similar law, or if a receiver, assignee, or trustee in bankruptcy or reorganization, liquidator, sequestrator, or similar official has been appointed for or taken possession of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or their respective property or any other obligor on the Notes or its property, or if any other comparable Proceedings are pending relating to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or other obligor on the Notes or the Class 1 Component, or the creditors or property of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or other obligor on the Notes, the Trustee, regardless of whether the principal of any Notes is then payable by declaration or otherwise and regardless of whether the Trustee has made any demand pursuant to this Section 5.3, may, by intervention in the Proceedings or otherwise:

(a) file and prove claims for the whole amount of principal and interest owing and unpaid in respect of the Notes and the Class 1 Component, and file any other papers or documents appropriate and take any other appropriate action (including sitting on a committee of creditors) to have the claims of the Trustee (including any claim for reasonable compensation to the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, and their respective agents, attorneys, and counsel, and for reimbursement of all expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, except as a result of negligence or bad faith) and of the Holders of the Securities allowed in any Proceedings relating to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or other obligor on the Notes or to the creditors or property of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or other obligor on the Notes;



(b) unless prohibited by applicable law, vote on behalf of the Holders of the Securities in any election of a trustee or a standby trustee in arrangement, reorganization, liquidation, or other bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings or person performing similar functions in comparable Proceedings; and

(c) collect and receive any monies or other property payable to or deliverable on any such claims, and distribute all amounts received with respect to the claims of the Holders of the Securities and of the Trustee on their behalf; and any trustee, receiver or liquidator, custodian, or other similar official is authorized by each of the Holders of the Securities to make payments to the Trustee, and, if the Trustee consents to making payments directly to the Holders of the Securities, to pay to the Trustee amounts sufficient to cover reasonable compensation to the Trustee, each predecessor Trustee, and their respective agents, attorneys, and counsel, and all other reasonable expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee except as a result of negligence or bad faith.

Nothing in this Indenture shall authorize the Trustee to authorize or consent to or vote for or accept or adopt on behalf of the Holder of any Security, any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, or composition affecting the Securities or any Holder of Securities, or to authorize the Trustee to vote on the claim of the Holder of any Security in any Proceeding except, as aforesaid, to vote for the election of a trustee in bankruptcy or similar person.

Notwithstanding anything in this Section 5.3 to the contrary, the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral or institute Proceedings in furtherance of the sale or liquidation of the Collateral pursuant to this Section 5.3 except according to Section 5.5(a).

#### Section 5.4. ***Remedies.***

(a) If an Event of Default is continuing, and the Notes have been declared payable and the declaration and its consequences have not been rescinded, or at any time after the Stated Maturity, the Co-Issuers agree that the Trustee may, and shall, upon written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, to the extent permitted by applicable law, exercise one or more of the following rights:

(i) institute Proceedings for the collection of all amounts then payable on the Notes or otherwise payable under this Indenture, whether by declaration or otherwise, enforce any judgment obtained, and collect from the Collateral any monies adjudged due;

(ii) sell or liquidate all or a portion of the Collateral or interests in it, at one or more public or private sales called and conducted in any manner permitted by law and in accordance with Section 5.17;

(iii) institute Proceedings from time to time for the complete or partial foreclosure of this Indenture with respect to the Collateral;

(iv) exercise any remedies of a secured party under the UCC and take any other appropriate action to protect and enforce the rights of the Trustee and the Holders of the Securities under this Indenture; and

(v) exercise any other rights that may be available at law or in equity;

*except* that the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Collateral or institute Proceedings in furtherance of the sale or liquidation of the Collateral pursuant to this Section 5.4 except according to Section 5.5(a).

If an Event of Default is continuing, and the Class 1 Component has been declared payable and the declaration and its consequences have not been rescinded, or at any time after the Stated Maturity, the Co-Issuers agree that the Trustee may, and shall, upon written direction of a Majority of the Class 1 Composite Securities, to the extent permitted by applicable law, exercise one or more of the following rights:

- (i) institute Proceedings for the collection of all amounts then payable on the Class 1 Component or otherwise payable under this Indenture, whether by declaration or otherwise, enforce any judgment obtained, and collect from the Class 1 Collateral any monies adjudged due;
- (ii) sell or liquidate all or a portion of the Class 1 Collateral or interests in it, at one or more public or private sales called and conducted in any manner permitted by law and in accordance with Section 5.17;
- (iii) institute Proceedings from time to time for the complete or partial foreclosure of this Indenture with respect to the Class 1 Collateral;
- (iv) exercise any remedies of a secured party under the UCC and take any other appropriate action to protect and enforce the rights of the Trustee and the Holders of the Securities under this Indenture; and
- (v) exercise any other rights that may be available at law or in equity;

*except* that the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Class 1 Collateral or institute Proceedings in furtherance of the sale or liquidation of the Class 1 Collateral pursuant to this Section 5.4 except according to Section 5.5(a).

The Trustee may, but need not, obtain at the Issuer's expense, and rely on an opinion of an Independent investment banking firm of national reputation with demonstrated capabilities in structuring and distributing securities similar to the Securities, which may be the Initial Purchaser, as to the feasibility of any action proposed to be taken in accordance with this Section 5.4 and as to the sufficiency of the proceeds and other amounts receivable with respect to the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral to make the required payments of principal of and interest on the Securities, which opinion shall be conclusive evidence as to the feasibility or sufficiency.

(b) If an Event of Default as described in Section 5.1(f) is continuing the Trustee may, with the consent of, and shall, at the direction of, the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, institute a Proceeding solely to compel performance of the covenant or agreement or to cure the representation or warranty, the breach of which gave rise to the Event of Default under Section 5.1(f), and enforce any equitable decree or order arising from the Proceeding.

(c) Upon any sale, whether made under the power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, any Holders or the Portfolio Manager (subject to the Management Agreement) may bid for and purchase any part of the Collateral and, upon

compliance with the terms of sale, may hold, retain, possess, or dispose of the Collateral in its or their own absolute right without accountability.

Upon any sale, whether made under the power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, the receipt of the Trustee, or of the Officer making a sale under judicial Proceedings, shall be a sufficient discharge to the purchasers at any sale for their purchase money, and the purchasers shall not be obliged to see to its application.

Any sale, whether under any power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, shall bind the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, and the Holders of the Securities, shall operate to divest all interest whatsoever, either at law or in equity, of each of them in the property sold, and shall be a perpetual bar, both at law and in equity, against each of them and their successors and assigns, and against all persons claiming through or under them.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, none of the Trustee, the Secured Parties, or the Holders of the Securities may, before the date that is one year and one day (or if longer, any applicable preference period plus one day) after the payment in full of all Notes, institute against, or join any other person in instituting against, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium, or liquidation Proceedings, or other Proceedings under the Bankruptcy Law or any similar laws in any jurisdiction. Nothing in this Section 5.4 shall preclude the Trustee or any Secured Party (i) from taking any action before the expiration of that period in (A) any case or Proceeding voluntarily filed or commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or (B) any involuntary insolvency Proceeding filed or commenced by a person other than a Secured Party, or (ii) from commencing against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any of its properties any legal action that is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium, or liquidation Proceeding.

#### Section 5.5. ***Optional Preservation of Collateral.***

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Indenture, if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Trustee shall retain the Class 1 Collateral intact, collect, and cause the collection of the proceeds of the Class 1 Collateral and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Class 1 Collateral and the Class 1 Components in accordance with Section 11.2 and Article 10 and shall not sell the Class 1 Collateral in any circumstances unless so directed by all of the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities, in which case the Trustee shall sell the Class 1 Collateral to the buyer identified by such Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Indenture, if an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall retain the Collateral intact, collect, and cause the collection of the proceeds of the Collateral and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Collateral and the Notes, and any Hedge Agreements (other than amounts received under a Hedge Agreement that are used in putting a Replacement Hedge in place), in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Article 10 and Article 12 unless:

(i) the Trustee determines that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty, all amounts owing by

the Issuer to the Insurer under the Insurance Agreement, and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) of Section 11.1(a)(i) and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination; or

(ii) the Holders of a Super Majority of each of the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral; provided, however, if an Event of Default specified in 5.1(d) occurs and if the Insurer is the Controlling Class, the Insurer shall have the sole right to direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral under this clause (ii).

The Trustee shall give written notice of the retention of the Collateral to the Issuer with a copy to the Co-Issuer and the Portfolio Manager. So long as the Event of Default is continuing, any retention pursuant to this Section 5.5(a) may be rescinded at any time when the conditions specified in clause (i) or (ii) exist.

(b) Nothing contained in Section 5.5(a) shall be construed to require the Trustee to sell the Collateral if the conditions in clause (i) or (ii) of Section 5.5(a) are not satisfied. Nothing contained in Section 5.5(a) shall be construed to require the Trustee to preserve the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral if prohibited by applicable law.

(c) In determining whether the condition specified in Section 5.5(a)(i) exists, the Trustee shall obtain bid prices with respect to each security contained in the Collateral from two nationally recognized dealers (or if there is only one market maker, that market maker and if there is no market maker, from a pricing service), at the time making a market in those securities, and shall compute the anticipated proceeds of sale or liquidation on the basis of the lower of the bid prices for each security. In addition, for the purposes of determining issues relating to the valuation of the Collateral, the satisfaction of the conditions specified in this Indenture, the execution of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral, and the execution of a sale or other liquidation of the Collateral in connection with a determination whether the condition specified in Section 5.5(a)(i) exists, the Trustee may retain, at the Issuer's expense, and rely on an opinion of an Independent investment banking firm of national reputation, which may be the Initial Purchaser.

The Trustee shall deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Holders of the Securities, the Co-Issuers, the Insurer, the Portfolio Manager and the Hedge Counterparties a report stating the results of any determination required pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i). The Trustee shall make the determinations required by Section 5.5(a)(i) after an Event of Default at the request of a Majority of the Controlling Class at any time during which the Trustee retains the Collateral pursuant to Section 5.5(a). The Trustee shall obtain (at the Issuer's expense) a letter of a firm of Independent certified public accountants confirming the accuracy of each calculation made by the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) and certifying their conformity to the requirements of this Indenture.

(d) Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, the Trustee may not, and the Holders of the Notes representing the requisite percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes specified in Section 5.4 or 5.5, may not instruct the Trustee to sell or liquidate or (except in connection with the concurrent execution of a Replacement Hedge) terminate any Hedge Agreement during the continuance of an Event of Default until all

Collateral other than the Hedge Agreements has been sold or liquidated and its proceeds applied in accordance with this Indenture.

(e) Collateral may not be sold or liquidated pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) after the last date on which the sale or liquidation is permitted under Section 5.5(a)(i) with respect to a determination made pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) (the last permitted date being determined by the Trustee under Section 5.5(a)(i)), unless a new determination is made in accordance with Section 5.5(a)(i) and the Collateral is sold or liquidated before the last sale date permitted in accordance with the new determination.

**Section 5.6. *Trustee May Enforce Claims Without Possession of Securities.***

All rights of action and claims under this Indenture or under any of the Securities may be prosecuted and enforced by the Trustee without the possession of any of the Securities or their production in any trial or other Proceeding relating to them, and any Proceeding instituted by the Trustee shall be brought in its own name as trustee of an express trust, and any recovery of judgment shall be applied as provided in Section 5.7.

In any Proceedings brought by the Trustee (and any Proceedings involving the interpretation of any provision of this Indenture to which the Trustee shall be a party) the Trustee shall be held to represent all the Holders of the Securities.

**Section 5.7. *Application of Money Collected.***

Any money collected by the Trustee with respect to the Notes pursuant to this Article 5 and any money that may then be held or subsequently received by the Trustee with respect to the Notes under this Indenture shall be applied, subject to Section 13.1 and in accordance with Section 11.1, at the dates fixed by the Trustee.

Any money collected by the Trustee with respect to the Class 1 Component pursuant to this Article 5 and any money that may then be held or subsequently received by the Trustee with respect to the Class 1 Component under this Indenture shall be applied in accordance with Section 11.2 at the dates fixed by the Trustee.

**Section 5.8. *Limitation on Suits.***

No Holder of any Security shall have any right to institute any Proceedings, judicial or otherwise, with respect to this Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy under this Indenture, unless:

(a) the Holder has previously given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default;

(b) the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class or, in the case of acceleration of the Class 1 Component by the Majority of the Class 1 Component, the Class 1 Components, of the Class 1 Composite Securities shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute Proceedings with respect to the Event of Default in its own name as Trustee under this Indenture and the Holders have offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with the request;

(c) the Trustee for 30 days after its receipt of the notice, request, and offer of indemnity has failed to institute a Proceeding; and

(d) no direction inconsistent with the written request has been given to the Trustee during the 30 day period by a Majority of the Controlling Class or, in the case of acceleration of the Class 1 Component by the Majority of the Class 1 Component, the Class 1 Components, of the Class 1 Composite Securities.

No one or more Holders of Securities have any right in any manner whatever by virtue of, or by availing of, any provision of this Indenture to affect the rights of any other Holders of Securities of the same Class or to obtain or to seek to obtain priority or preference over any other Holders of the Securities of the same Class or to enforce any right under this Indenture, except in the manner provided in this Indenture and for the equal and ratable benefit of all the Holders of Securities of the same Class subject to and in accordance with Section 13.1 and the Priority of Payments or Section 11.2, as the case may be.

If the Trustee receives conflicting or inconsistent requests and indemnity from two or more groups of Holders of the Controlling Class, each representing less than a Majority of the Controlling Class, the Trustee shall take the action requested by the Holders of the largest percentage in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, notwithstanding any other provisions of this Indenture.

For the avoidance of doubt, this Section 5.8 shall not limit the right of the Insurer to exercise any rights or remedies that the Insurer may have pursuant to Section 16.2.

Section 5.9. ***Unconditional Rights of Holders of Securities.***

Notwithstanding any provision of this Indenture other than this Section 5.9 and Sections 2.8(i), 5.4(d), and 13.1, (i) the Holder of any Note and a Holder of the Class 1 Composite Securities shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive payment of the principal of and interest on the Note or the Class 1 Component, as the case may be, as it comes due in accordance with the Priority of Payments or Section 11.2, as the case may be, and Section 13.1, and, subject to Section 5.8, to institute proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment, and that right shall not be impaired without the consent of the Holder; and (ii) the Insurer shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive payment of all outstanding Accrued Insurance Liabilities in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Section 13.1, and subject to Section 5.8, to institute proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment, and that right shall not be impaired without the consent of the Insurer. Holders of Notes ranking junior to Notes still Outstanding may not institute proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment until no Note ranking senior to their Note remains Outstanding, subject to Section 5.8, and shall not be impaired without the consent of any such Holder. For so long as any Notes are Outstanding, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be entitled to any payment of any amount for payments to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Shares Documents, to the extent legally permitted, on a claim against the Issuer unless there are sufficient funds to pay such amounts to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Section 5.10. ***Restoration of Rights and Remedies.***

If the Trustee, the Insurer or the Holder of any Security has instituted any Proceeding to enforce any right under this Indenture and the Proceeding has been discontinued or abandoned

for any reason, or has been determined adversely to the Trustee, the Insurer or to the Holder, then, subject to any determination in the Proceeding, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Insurer and the Holder shall be restored to their former positions under this Indenture, and thereafter all rights of the Trustee, the Insurer and the Holder shall continue as though no Proceeding had been instituted.

**Section 5.11. *Rights and Remedies Cumulative.***

No right in this Indenture conferred on or reserved to the Trustee, the Insurer or to the Holders of Securities is intended to be exclusive of any other right, and every right shall, to the extent permitted by law, be cumulative and in addition to every other right given under this Indenture or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or otherwise. The assertion or employment of any right under this Indenture, or otherwise, shall not prevent the concurrent assertion or employment of any other appropriate right.

**Section 5.12. *Delay or Omission Not Waiver.***

No delay or omission of the Trustee, the Insurer or the Holder of any Security to exercise any right accruing upon any Event of Default shall impair the right or be a waiver of the Event of Default or an acquiescence in it or of a subsequent Event of Default. Every right given by this Article 5 or by law to the Trustee, the Insurer or to the Holders of Securities may be exercised from time to time, and as often as deemed expedient, by the Trustee, the Insurer or by the applicable Holders.

**Section 5.13. *Control by Majority of the Controlling Class.***

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, during the continuance of an Event of Default, a Majority of the Controlling Class, with respect to the Notes, or all of the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities, with respect to acceleration of the Class 1 Component by the Majority of the Class 1 Component, the Class 1 Components, may institute and direct the time, method, and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any right of the Trustee with respect to the Notes or the Class 1 Components, as the case may be, if:

- (i) the direction does not conflict with any rule of law or with any express provision of this Indenture; and
- (ii) the Trustee has been indemnified to its reasonable satisfaction (and the Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability unless it has received an indemnity against the liability).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, only a Majority of the Controlling Class may direct proceedings with respect to remedies specified in Section 5.4(a) or otherwise with respect to the Collateral, and only a Majority of the Class 1 Component may direct proceedings with respect to the remedies specified in Section 5.4(b) or otherwise with respect to the Class 1 Component.

(b) The Trustee may take any other action deemed proper by the Trustee that is not inconsistent with a direction under Section 5.13(a). Subject to Section 6.1, the Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability (unless the Trustee has received an indemnity against the liabilities reasonably satisfactory to it) and during the continuance of an Event of Default that has not been cured, or waived, the Trustee shall, before receiving

directions from a Majority of the Controlling Class or all of the Holders of the Class 1 Components, as the case may be, exercise the rights expressly vested in it by this Indenture and use the same degree of care and skill in their exercise with respect to the Event of Default as is required by Section 6.1(b).

(c) Any direction to the Trustee to undertake a Sale of the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral shall be in accordance with Section 5.4 or 5.5.

Section 5.14. ***Waiver of Past Defaults.***

Before a judgment or decree for payment of any money due has been obtained by the Trustee, as provided in this Article 5, a Majority of the Controlling Class may on behalf of the Holders of all the Notes, with respect to the Notes, or all of the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities, with respect to the Class 1 Components, waive any past Default and its consequences, except a Default:

(a) in the payment of the principal or Redemption Price of any Note or the Class 1 Component, as the case may be, or in the payment of interest (including Defaulted Interest, Deferred Interest, and any interest on Defaulted Interest or Deferred Interest) on the Notes;

(b) with respect to a provision of this Indenture that under Section 8.2 cannot be modified or amended without the waiver or consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note or Class 1 Composite Security adversely affected by the modification or amendment;

(c) in the payment of amounts due to the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Insurer or the Hedge Counterparty, which may only be waived with the consent of the affected party; or

(d) arising as a result of an Event of Default described in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h).

Upon any such waiver, the Default shall cease to exist, and any Event of Default arising from it shall be cured, for every purpose of this Indenture, but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other Default or impair any right consequent thereto. The Trustee shall promptly give written notice of any such waiver to the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Holder of Securities.

Section 5.15. ***Undertaking for Costs.***

All parties to this Indenture agree, and each Holder of any Note by its acceptance of its Note agrees, that in any suit for the enforcement of any right under this Indenture, or in any suit against the Trustee or the Portfolio Manager for any action taken or omitted by it as Trustee or for any action taken or omitted by the Portfolio Manager, as applicable, any court may in its discretion require the filing by any party litigant in the suit of an undertaking to pay the costs of the suit, and that the court may in its discretion assess reasonable costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, against any party litigant in the suit, having due regard to the merits and good faith of the claims or defenses made by the party litigant. This Section 5.15 shall not apply to any suit instituted by the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager or the Insurer, to any suit instituted by any Holder, or group of Holders, of Notes holding in the aggregate more than 10% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, or to any suit instituted by any Holder of Notes for the enforcement of the payment of the principal of or interest on any Note or any other



amount payable under this Indenture after the applicable Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, after the applicable Redemption Date).

Section 5.16. ***Waiver of Stay or Extension Laws.***

To the extent that they may lawfully do so, the Co-Issuers covenant that they will not at any time insist on, or plead, or in any manner whatsoever claim or take the benefit or advantage of, any stay or extension law or any valuation, appraisal, redemption, or marshalling law or rights, in each case wherever enacted, now or at any time hereafter in force, that may affect the covenants, the performance of, or any remedies under this Indenture. To the extent that they may lawfully do so, the Co-Issuers expressly waive all benefit or advantage of any such law or rights, and covenant that they shall not delay or impede the execution of any power in this Indenture granted to the Trustee or the Holders of the Securities but will permit the execution of every power as though the law had not been enacted or rights created.

Section 5.17. ***Sale of Collateral.***

(a) The power to effect any sale (a "***Sale***") of any portion of the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral pursuant to Sections 5.4 and 5.5 shall not be exhausted by any one or more Sales as to any portion of the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral remaining unsold, but shall continue unimpaired until the entire Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral is sold or all amounts secured by the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral have been paid. The Trustee may upon notice to the Holders of the Securities and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), and shall, at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class with respect to Collateral and all of the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities with respect to the Class 1 Component, from time to time postpone any Sale by public announcement made at the time and place of the Sale. The Trustee waives its rights to any amount fixed by law as compensation for any Sale. The Trustee may deduct the reasonable expenses incurred by it in connection with a Sale from its proceeds notwithstanding Section 6.7.

(b) The Trustee or the Insurer may bid for and acquire any portion of the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral in connection with a public Sale of the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral, and may pay all or part of the purchase price by crediting against amounts owing on the Notes in the case of the Collateral or the Class 1 Components in the case of the Class 1 Collateral or other amounts secured by the Collateral in the case of the Notes or the Class 1 Collateral in the case of the Class 1 Components all or part of the net proceeds of the Sale after deducting the reasonable expenses incurred by the Trustee in connection with the Sale notwithstanding Section 6.7. The Securities need not be produced to complete any Sale, or for the net proceeds of the Sale to be credited against amounts owing on the Notes in the case of the Collateral or the Class 1 Components in the case of the Class 1 Collateral. The Trustee or the Insurer may hold, lease, operate, manage, or otherwise deal with any property so acquired in any manner permitted by law in accordance with this Indenture.

(c) If any portion of the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral consists of securities issued without registration under the Securities Act ("***Unregistered Securities***"), the Trustee may seek an Opinion of Counsel, or, if no Opinion of Counsel can be obtained, seek a no action position from the Securities and Exchange Commission or any other relevant federal or state regulatory authorities, regarding the legality of a public or private Sale of the Unregistered Securities.

(d) The Trustee shall execute and deliver an appropriate instrument of transfer transferring its interest in any portion of the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral in connection with its Sale. In addition, the Trustee is irrevocably appointed the agent and attorney-in-fact of the Issuer to transfer its interest in any portion of the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral in connection with its Sale, and to take all action necessary to effect the Sale. No purchaser or transferee at a Sale shall be bound to ascertain the Trustee's authority, to inquire into the satisfaction of any conditions precedent, or see to the application of any monies.

Section 5.18. ***Action on the Securities.***

The Trustee's right to seek and recover judgment on the Notes, the Class 1 Component or under this Indenture shall not be affected by the seeking or obtaining of or application for any other relief under or with respect to this Indenture. Neither the lien of this Indenture nor any rights or remedies of the Trustee, the Insurer or the Holders of the Securities shall be impaired by the recovery of any judgment by the Trustee against the Issuer or by the levy of any execution under the judgment on any portion of the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral or on any of the assets of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

Section 5.19. ***Direction by the Insurer.***

Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, so long as the Insurer is the Controlling Class, the Insurer shall have the right (to the exclusion of the Holders of the Insured Notes) to direct the Trustee as to any and all remedies to be sought or taken on behalf of the Holders of the Insured Notes under this Indenture and the Trustee shall not exercise any such remedies unless directed by the Insurer to the extent the Holders of the Insured Notes could control the actions of the Trustee. Each Holder of the Insured Notes shall be deemed to have consented to the Insurer's rights hereunder with respect to an Event of Default. At such time as there exists and is continuing a Insurer Default, the Trustee shall not be bound to continue to comply with any term or condition of this Indenture that requires the consent of or approval or direction from the Insurer.

## ARTICLE 6

### THE TRUSTEE

Section 6.1. ***Certain Duties and Responsibilities.***

(a) Except during the continuance of an Event of Default:

(i) the Trustee undertakes to perform the duties and only the duties specifically provided in this Indenture, and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Indenture against the Trustee; and

(ii) in the absence of bad faith on its part, the Trustee may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements and the correctness of the opinions expressed therein, on certificates or opinions furnished to the Trustee and conforming to the requirements of this Indenture; the Trustee shall examine any certificates or opinions that by any provision of this Indenture are specifically required to be furnished to the Trustee to determine whether or not they substantially conform on their face to the requirements of this Indenture and shall promptly notify the party delivering the same if the certificate or opinion does not conform. If a corrected form has not been delivered

to the Trustee within 15 days after the notice from the Trustee, the Trustee shall so notify the Holders of the Securities and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares).

(b) If the Trustee has actual knowledge that an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall, before the receipt of directions from a Majority of the Controlling Class, exercise the rights and powers vested in it by this Indenture, and use the same degree of care and skill in its exercise, as a prudent person would use under the circumstances in the conduct of the person's own affairs.

(c) No provision of this Indenture shall be construed to relieve the Trustee from liability for its own negligent action, its own negligent failure to act, or its own willful misconduct, except that:

(i) this subsection shall not be construed to limit the effect of subsection (a) of this Section 6.1;

(ii) the Trustee shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by a Trust Officer, unless it is proven that the Trustee was negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts;

(iii) the Trustee shall not be liable with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in good faith in accordance with the direction of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or the Portfolio Manager in accordance with this Indenture or a Majority (or the other percentage required by this Indenture) of the Controlling Class (or other Class if required or permitted by this Indenture) or, with respect to the Class 1 Component, the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities relating to the time, method, and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred on the Trustee, under this Indenture; and

(iv) no provision of this Indenture shall require the Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any extraordinary financial liability in the performance of any of its duties under this Indenture, or in the exercise of any of its rights contemplated under this Indenture, if it has reasonable grounds for believing that repayment of the funds or indemnity satisfactory to it against the risk or liability is not reasonably assured to it; provided that the reasonable costs of performing its ordinary services under this Indenture shall not be deemed an "extraordinary financial liability" for purposes hereof.

(d) For all purposes under this Indenture, the Trustee shall not have notice or knowledge of any Insurer Default or Event of Default described in Section 5.1(d) through 5.1(i) or any Default described in Section 5.1(e) through 5.1(j) unless a Trust Officer assigned to and working in the Corporate Trust Office has actual knowledge of it or unless written notice of any event that is in fact the an Event of Default or Default is received by the Trustee at the Corporate Trust Office, and the notice references the Notes or the Class 1 Component generally, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Collateral, the Class 1 Collateral or this Indenture. For purposes of determining the Trustee's responsibility and liability under this Indenture, whenever reference is made in this Indenture to an Event of Default or a Default, the reference shall be construed to refer only to an Event of Default or Default of which the Trustee has notice as described in this Section 6.1.

(e) Whether or not therein expressly so provided, every provision of this Indenture relating to the conduct or affecting the liability of or affording protection to the Trustee shall be subject to this Section 6.1 and Section 6.3.

Upon written request by the Insurer (so long as it is the Controlling Class), the Trustee shall, upon reasonable (but no less than three Business Day's) prior written notice to the Trustee, permit any representative of the Insurer, during the Trustee's normal business hours, to examine all books of account, records, reports and other papers of the Trustee relating to the Securities, to make copies and extracts therefrom (the reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in making any such copies or extracts to be reimbursed to the Trustee by the Insurer) and to discuss the Trustee's actions, as such actions relate to the Trustee's duties with respect to the Securities, with the Trustee's officers and employees responsible for carrying out the Trustee's duties with respect to the Securities.

#### Section 6.2. ***Notice of Default.***

Promptly (and in no event later than five Business Days) after the occurrence of any Default known to the Trustee or after any declaration of acceleration has been made or delivered to the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.2, the Trustee shall transmit notice of all Defaults under this Indenture known to the Trustee, unless the Default has been cured or waived, and of the declaration by mail to the Portfolio Manager and the Co-Issuers, each Rating Agency, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and to all Holders of Securities, as their names and addresses appear on the Indenture Register, the Irish Stock Exchange, for so long as any Class of Securities is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee).

#### Section 6.3. ***Certain Rights of Trustee.***

Except as otherwise provided in Section 6.1:

(a) the Trustee may rely and shall be protected in acting or refraining from acting on any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, note, or other paper or document (including but not limited to any reports prepared and delivered under Article 10) believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties;

(b) any request or direction of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer mentioned in this Indenture shall be sufficiently evidenced by an Issuer Request or Issuer Order;

(c) whenever in the administration of this Indenture the Trustee

(i) deems it desirable that a matter be proved or established before taking, suffering, or omitting any action under this Indenture, the Trustee may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely on an Officer's certificate (unless other evidence is specifically prescribed in this Indenture) or

(ii) is required to determine the value of, or any other matter with respect to, any Collateral or Class 1 Collateral or funds under this Indenture or the cash flows projected to be received therefrom, the Trustee may, in the absence of bad faith on its

part, rely on reports of nationally recognized accountants, investment bankers, or other persons qualified to provide the information required to make the determination, including nationally recognized dealers in securities of the type being valued and securities quotation services;

(d) as a condition to taking or omitting to take any action under this Indenture, the Trustee may consult with counsel and the advice of the counsel or any Opinion of Counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection with respect to any action taken or omitted by it under this Indenture in good faith and in reliance thereon;

(e) the Trustee need not exercise any of the rights or powers vested in it by this Indenture at the request or direction of the Insurer or any of the Holders of the Securities pursuant to this Indenture, unless the Insurer or the Holders have offered to the Trustee security or indemnity satisfactory to it against the costs and liabilities that might reasonably be incurred by it in compliance with the request or direction;

(f) the Trustee need not make any investigation into the facts or matters stated in any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, note, or other paper or document, but the Trustee, in its discretion, may, and upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class or of a Rating Agency shall, make any the further inquiry or investigation into the facts or matters that it deems appropriate or as it is directed, and the Trustee shall be entitled, on reasonable prior notice to the Co-Issuers and the Portfolio Manager, to examine the books and records relating to the Notes, the Collateral and the Class 1 Collateral, personally or by agent or attorney, during the Co-Issuers' or the Portfolio Manager's normal business hours. The Trustee shall, and shall cause its agents to, hold in confidence all such information, except to the extent (i) disclosure may be required by law by any regulatory or administrative authority and (ii) that the Trustee, in its sole judgment, determines that disclosure is consistent with its obligations under this Indenture; provided, however, that the Trustee may disclose on a confidential basis any such information to its agents, attorneys and auditors and the Insurer in connection with the performance of its responsibilities hereunder;

(g) the Trustee may execute any of the trusts or powers under this Indenture or perform any duties under this Indenture either directly or by or through agents or attorneys, and the Trustee shall not be responsible for any misconduct or negligence on the part of any non-Affiliated agent, or non-Affiliated attorney, appointed with due care by it under this Indenture; provided that, except with respect to any authentication agent, subcustodian or any agent or attorney appointed by the Trustee to comply with applicable law, the Trustee shall not delegate its obligations hereunder unless the Trustee shall have received the written consent (or deemed consent, as applicable) of the Insurer (so long as it is the Controlling Class) which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld; provided that, if the Trustee shall have provided written notice of any such proposed delegation to the Insurer and, within five Business Days thereof, the Insurer shall not have objected in writing to such delegation the Insurer shall be deemed to have consented to such delegation; provided, further, that so long as the Trustee shall have received, or shall be deemed to have received, the consent of the Insurer (so long as it is the Controlling Class), the Trustee shall not be responsible to the Insurer for any misconduct or negligence on the part of any agent or attorney appointed by it hereunder; provided, further, that, for the avoidance of doubt, the Trustee shall not be required to obtain the consent of the Insurer for the appointment of legal counsel, accountants or any other service provider which this Indenture permits the Trustee to appoint or rely upon, or that the Trustee deems advisable to perform its obligations hereunder.

(h) the Trustee shall not be liable for any action it takes or omits to take in good faith that it reasonably believes to be authorized or within its rights or powers under this Indenture;

(i) nothing in this Indenture shall be construed to impose an obligation on the Trustee to recalculate, evaluate, or verify any report, certificate, or information received from the Issuer or Portfolio Manager;

(j) the Trustee may request and receive (and rely on) instruction from the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, or the accountants identified in the Accountants' Certificate (and in the absence of its receipt of timely instruction from them, may obtain from an Independent accountant at the expense of the Issuer) as to the application of GAAP to the extent any defined term in this Indenture, or any calculation required to be made or determined by the Trustee under this Indenture, is dependent on or defined by reference to United States generally accepted accounting principles ("**GAAP**"), in any instance;

(k) the permissive rights of the Trustee to take or refrain from taking any actions enumerated in this Indenture are not duties;

(l) the Trustee is not responsible for the accuracy of the books and records of, or for any acts or omissions of, the Depository, any Transfer Agent, Custodian, Securities Intermediary, Collateral Administrator, Clearstream, Euroclear, Calculation Agent, or any Paying Agent (in each case, other than the Bank acting in that capacity);

(m) in making or disposing of any investment permitted by this Indenture, the Trustee is authorized to deal with itself (in its individual capacity) or with any one or more of its Affiliates, whether it or the Affiliate is acting as a subagent of the Trustee or for any third person or dealing as principal for its own account. If otherwise qualified, obligations of the Bank or any of its Affiliates shall qualify as Eligible Investments under this Indenture; and

(n) if the Bank is also acting in the capacity of Paying Agent, Transfer Agent, Custodian, Calculation Agent, or Securities Intermediary under this Indenture, the rights protections, immunities, and indemnities afforded to the Trustee pursuant to this Article 6 shall also be afforded to the Bank acting in those capacities.

#### Section 6.4. ***Not Responsible for Recitals or Issuance of Securities.***

The recitals contained in this Indenture and in the Securities, other than the Certificate of Authentication, shall be taken as the statements of the Applicable Issuers. The Trustee assumes no responsibility for their correctness. The Trustee makes no representation as to the validity or sufficiency of this Indenture (except as may be made with respect to the validity of the Trustee's obligations under this Indenture), the Collateral, the Class 1 Collateral or the Securities. The Trustee shall not be accountable for the use or application by the Co-Issuers of the Securities or their proceeds or any money paid to the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture.

#### Section 6.5. ***May Hold Securities.***

The Trustee, any Paying Agent, Indenture Registrar, or any other agent of the Co-Issuers, in its individual or any other capacity, may become the owner or pledgee of Securities and may otherwise deal with the Co-Issuers or any of their Affiliates with the same rights it would have if it were not Trustee, Paying Agent, Indenture Registrar, or other agent.

Section 6.6. ***Money Held in Trust.***

Money held by the Trustee under this Indenture shall be held in trust to the extent required in this Indenture. The Trustee shall be under no liability for interest on any money received by it under this Indenture except as otherwise agreed on with the Issuer and except to the extent of income or other gain on investments that are deposits in or certificates of deposit of the Bank in its commercial capacity and income or other gain actually received by the Trustee on Eligible Investments. Under no circumstances shall the Trustee be responsible for any losses on investments made in accordance with an Issuer Order or a written order or request by the Portfolio Manager, unless such investment is made in an obligation of the Trustee in its corporate capacity.

Section 6.7. ***Compensation and Reimbursement.***

(a) The Issuer agrees:

(i) to pay the Trustee on each Payment Date reasonable compensation for all services rendered by it under this Indenture in accordance with its letter agreement with the Trustee (which compensation shall not be limited by any provision of law in regard to the compensation of a trustee of an express trust);

(ii) except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture or in its letter agreement with the Trustee, to reimburse the Trustee in a timely manner upon its request for all reasonable expenses, disbursements, and advances incurred or made by the Trustee in accordance with this Indenture (including securities transaction charges and the reasonable compensation and expenses and disbursements of its agents and legal counsel and of any accounting firm or investment banking firm employed by the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.4, 5.5, 10.5, or 10.7, except any such expense, disbursement, or advance attributable to its negligence, willful misconduct, or bad faith) but with respect to securities transaction charges, only to the extent they have not been waived during a Due Period due to the Trustee's receipt of a payment from a financial institution with respect to certain Eligible Investments, as specified by the Portfolio Manager;

(iii) to indemnify the Trustee and its officers, directors, employees, and agents for any loss, liability, or expense incurred without negligence, willful misconduct, or bad faith on their part, arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of this trust, including the costs and expenses of defending themselves (including reasonable attorney's fees and costs) against any claim or liability in connection with the exercise or performance of any of their powers or duties under this Indenture; and

(iv) to pay the Trustee reasonable additional compensation together with its expenses (including reasonable counsel fees and costs) for any collection action taken pursuant to Section 6.13.

(b) The Trustee shall receive amounts pursuant to this Section 6.7 as provided in Sections 11.1(a)(i) and (ii) but only to the extent that funds are available for their payment. Subject to Section 6.9, the Trustee shall continue to serve as Trustee under this Indenture notwithstanding the fact that the Trustee has not received amounts due to it under this Indenture. No direction by the Holders of the Securities shall affect the right of the Trustee to collect

amounts owed to it under this Indenture. If on any date when a fee is payable to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture insufficient funds are available for its payment any portion of a fee not so paid shall be deferred and payable on the next date on which a fee is payable and sufficient funds are available for it.

(c) The Trustee agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy for the non-payment to the Trustee of any amounts provided by this Section 6.7 until at least one year and one day, or if longer the applicable preference period then in effect plus one day, after the payment in full of all Securities issued under this Indenture and the payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent of all amounts payable with respect to the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Nothing in this Section 6.7(c) shall prohibit or otherwise prevent the Trustee from filing proofs of claim in any bankruptcy, insolvency or similar proceeding.

**Section 6.8. *Corporate Trustee Required; Eligibility.***

There shall at all times be a Trustee under this Indenture that is an Independent entity organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America or of any state of the United States, authorized under those laws to exercise corporate trust powers, having a combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000, subject to supervision or examination by federal or state authority, having a rating of at least "Baa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) by Moody's and at least "BBB+" by S&P, and having an office within the United States. If the Trustee publishes reports of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or to the requirements of its supervising or examining authority, then for the purposes of this Section 6.8, the combined capital and surplus of the Trustee shall be its combined capital and surplus in its most recent published report of condition. For so long as the Insurer is the Controlling Class, upon written request by the Insurer, the Trustee shall provide copies of any such reports to the Insurer. If at any time the Trustee ceases to be eligible in accordance with this Section 6.8, it shall resign immediately in the manner and with the effect specified in Section 6.9.

**Section 6.9. *Resignation and Removal; Appointment of Successor.***

(a) No resignation or removal of the Trustee and no appointment of a successor Trustee pursuant to this Article 6 shall become effective until the acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee under Section 6.10. The indemnification in favor of the Trustee shall survive any resignation or removal of the Trustee.

(b) The Trustee may resign at any time by giving not less than 30 days written notice to the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager, the Holders of the Securities, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency. Upon receiving the notice of resignation, the Co-Issuers shall at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class promptly appoint a successor trustee satisfying the requirements of Section 6.8, by written instrument, in duplicate, executed by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer and an Authorized Officer of the Co-Issuer, one copy of which shall be delivered to the resigning Trustee and one copy to the successor Trustee, together with a copy to the Insurer, each Holder of Securities, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and the Portfolio Manager. If no successor Trustee has been appointed and an instrument of acceptance by a successor Trustee has not been delivered to the Trustee within 60 days after the giving of the notice of resignation, the resigning Trustee, the Insurer or any Holder of a Security, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, may



petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee satisfying the requirements of Section 6.8.

(c) The Trustee may be removed (i) at any time by an Act of a Majority of each Class of Securities, (ii) at any time when an Event of Default is continuing by a Majority of the Controlling Class, or (iii) by order of a court of competent jurisdiction, delivered to the Trustee and to the Co-Issuers.

(d) If at any time:

(i) the Trustee ceases to be eligible under Section 6.8 and fails to resign after written request by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class; or

(ii) the Trustee becomes incapable of acting or is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent or a receiver or liquidator of the Trustee or of its property appointed or any public officer takes charge or control of the Trustee or of its property or affairs for the purpose of rehabilitation, conservation, or liquidation,

then, in any such case (subject to Section 6.9(a)), (A) the Co-Issuers, by Issuer Order, may, and at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall, remove the Trustee, or (B) subject to Section 5.15, the Insurer or any Holder may, on behalf of itself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(e) If the Trustee is removed or becomes incapable of acting, or if a vacancy occurs in the office of the Trustee for any reason (other than resignation), the Co-Issuers, by Issuer Order or at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, shall promptly appoint a successor Trustee. If the Co-Issuers fail to appoint a successor Trustee within 60 days after the removal or incapability or the occurrence of the vacancy, a successor Trustee may be appointed by a Majority of the Controlling Class by written instrument delivered to the Issuer and the retiring Trustee. The successor Trustee so appointed shall, upon its acceptance of its appointment, become the successor Trustee and supersede any successor Trustee proposed by the Co-Issuers. If no successor Trustee has been so appointed by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class and accepted appointment pursuant to Section 6.10, subject to Section 5.15, then the Trustee to be replaced, or any Holder, may, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(f) The Co-Issuers shall give prompt notice of each resignation and each removal of the Trustee and each appointment of a successor Trustee by mailing written notice of the event by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the Portfolio Manager, the Insurer, to each Rating Agency, to the Holders of Securities as their names and addresses appear in the Indenture Register and to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares). Each notice shall include the name of the successor Trustee and the address of its Corporate Trust Office. If the Co-Issuers fail to mail the notice within ten days after acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee, the successor Trustee shall cause the notice to be given at the expense of the Co-Issuers.

Section 6.10. ***Acceptance of Appointment by Successor.***

Every successor Trustee appointed under this Indenture shall execute, acknowledge, and deliver to the Co-Issuers, the Insurer and the retiring Trustee an instrument accepting its appointment. Upon delivery of the required instruments, the resignation or removal of the retiring Trustee shall become effective and the successor Trustee, without any further act, shall become vested with all the rights and obligations of the retiring Trustee; but, on request of the Co-Issuers, the Insurer or a Majority of any Class of Notes or the successor Trustee, the retiring Trustee shall, upon payment of any amounts then due to it, execute and deliver an instrument transferring to the successor Trustee all the rights and obligations of the retiring Trustee, and shall duly assign, transfer, and deliver to the successor Trustee all property and money held by the retiring Trustee under this Indenture. Upon request of any successor Trustee, the Co-Issuers shall execute any instruments to more fully and certainly vest in and confirm to the successor Trustee all the rights and obligations of the Trustee under this Indenture.

No successor Trustee shall accept its appointment unless at the time of its acceptance the successor is qualified and eligible under Section 6.8 and either (a) each Rating Agency has been notified and the successor has long-term debt rated within the four highest rating categories by each Rating Agency, or (b) if not rated within the four highest categories by each Rating Agency, the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto.

Section 6.11. ***Merger, Conversion, Consolidation, or Succession to Business of Trustee.***

Any entity into which the Trustee may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any entity resulting from any merger, conversion, or consolidation to which the Trustee is a party, or any entity succeeding to all or substantially all of the corporate trust business of the Trustee, shall be the successor of the Trustee under this Indenture (and of the Bank under all of its other capacities under this Indenture, including as Custodian, Securities Intermediary, Indenture Registrar, and Paying Agent) without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto. If any of the Securities have been authenticated, but not delivered, by the Trustee then in office, any successor by merger, conversion, or consolidation to the authenticating Trustee may adopt the authentication and deliver the Securities so authenticated with the same effect as if the successor Trustee had itself authenticated the Securities.

Section 6.12. ***Co-Trustees.***

At any time, to meet the legal requirements of any jurisdiction in which any part of the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral may at the time be located, the Co-Issuers and the Trustee may appoint a co-trustee (subject to the approval of the Rating Agencies) to act jointly with the Trustee, with respect to all or any part of the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral, with the power to file proofs of claim and take any other actions pursuant to Section 5.6 in this Indenture and to make claims and enforce rights of action on behalf of the Holders of the Securities and the, as the Holders themselves have the right to do, subject to the other provisions of this Section 6.12.

The Co-Issuers shall join with the Trustee in the execution, delivery, and performance of all instruments and agreements necessary or proper to appoint a co-trustee. If the Co-Issuers do not join in the appointment within 15 days after they receive a request to do so, the Trustee may make the appointment.

Any instruments to more fully confirm a co-trustee's appointment shall, on request, be executed, acknowledged, and delivered by the Co-Issuers. The Co-Issuers agree to pay (but only from and to the extent of the Collateral), to the extent funds are available therefor under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1), any reasonable fees and expenses in connection with the appointment.

Every co-trustee shall, to the extent permitted by law, but to that extent only, be appointed subject to the following terms:

(a) the Securities shall be authenticated and delivered and all rights and obligations under this Indenture in respect of the custody of securities, cash, and other personal property held by, or required to be deposited or pledged with, the Trustee under this Indenture, shall be exercised solely by the Trustee;

(b) the rights and obligations conferred or imposed on the Trustee in respect of any property covered by the appointment of a co-trustee shall be conferred or imposed on and exercised or performed by the Trustee or by the Trustee and the co-trustee jointly as provided in the instrument appointing the co-trustee;

(c) the Trustee at any time, by an instrument in writing executed by it, with the concurrence of the Co-Issuers evidenced by an Issuer Order, may accept the resignation of or remove any co-trustee appointed under this Section 6.12, and if an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall have the power to accept the resignation of, or remove, any co-trustee without the concurrence of the Co-Issuers. A successor to any co-trustee so resigned or removed may be appointed in the manner provided in this Section 6.12;

(d) no co-trustee under this Indenture shall be personally liable because of any act or omission of the Trustee under this Indenture;

(e) the Trustee shall not be liable because of any act or omission of a co-trustee; and

(f) any Act of Holders of Securities delivered to the Trustee shall be deemed to have been delivered to each co-trustee.

**Section 6.13. *Certain Duties of Trustee Related to Delayed Payment of Proceeds.***

If in any month the Trustee has not received a payment with respect to any Pledged Obligation on its Due Date:

(a) the Trustee shall promptly notify the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager in writing, and

(b) unless the payment is received by the Trustee within three Business Days (or the end of the applicable grace period for the payment, if longer) after the notice, or unless the Issuer, in its absolute discretion (but only to the extent permitted by Section 10.2(a)), makes provision for the payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with Section 10.2(a),

the Trustee shall request the issuer of the Pledged Obligation, the trustee under the related Underlying Instrument, or paying agent designated by either of them to make the payment as soon as practicable after the request but in no event later than three Business Days after the date

of the request. If the payment is not made within that time period, the Trustee, subject to clause (iv) of Section 6.1(c), shall take the action directed by the Portfolio Manager in writing. Any such action shall be without prejudice to any right to claim a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture. If the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager requests a release of a Pledged Obligation or delivers a Collateral Obligation in connection with any such action under the Management Agreement, the release or substitution shall be subject to Section 10.6 and Article 12. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the Trustee shall deliver to the Issuer or its designee any payment with respect to any Pledged Obligation or any Collateral Obligation received after its Due Date to the extent the Issuer previously made provisions for the payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with this Section 6.13 and the payment shall not be part of the Collateral.

**Section 6.14. *Authenticating Agents.***

Upon the request of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee shall, and if the Trustee so chooses the Trustee may, appoint one or more Authenticating Agents with power to act on its behalf and subject to its direction in the authentication of Securities in connection with issuance, transfers, and exchanges under Sections 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, and 8.5, as fully to all intents and purposes as though each Authenticating Agent had been expressly authorized by those Sections to authenticate the Securities. For all purposes of this Indenture, the authentication of Securities by an Authenticating Agent pursuant to this Section 6.14 shall be the authentication of Securities "by the Trustee."

Any Authenticating Agent may at any time resign by giving written notice of resignation to the Trustee and the Issuer. The Trustee may at any time terminate the agency of any Authenticating Agent by giving written notice of termination to the Authenticating Agent and the Co-Issuers.

The Co-Issuers agree to pay to each Authenticating Agent from time to time reasonable compensation for its services, and reimbursement for its reasonable expenses relating to its services as an Administrative Expense; provided, however, that if the Trustee elects to appoint an Authenticating Agent without the approval or request of the Co-Issuers, then the Trustee shall pay such compensation and reimbursement. Sections 2.9, 6.4, and 6.5 shall be applicable to any Authenticating Agent.

**Section 6.15. *Fiduciary for Holders of Notes Only; Agent for Secured Parties.***

With respect to the security interest created under this Indenture, the delivery of any Pledged Obligation to the Trustee is to the Trustee as representative of the Holders of Notes or the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities, as the case may be, and agent for the other Secured Parties. In furtherance of the foregoing, the possession by the Trustee of any Pledged Obligation and the endorsement to or registration in the name of the Trustee of any Pledged Obligation (including as entitlement holder of the Custodial Account) are all undertaken by the Trustee in its capacity as representative of the Holders of Notes or the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities, as the case may be, and agent for the other Secured Parties. The Trustee shall owe no fiduciary duties to the Insurer other than as subrogee of the Noteholders; provided that, the foregoing shall not limit any of the express obligations of the Trustee under this Indenture.

Section 6.16. ***Representations and Warranties of the Bank.***

The Bank represents and warrants as follows for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Composite Securityholders and the Insurer:

(a) *Organization.* The Bank has been duly organized and is validly existing as a national banking association and has the power to conduct its business and affairs as a trustee.

(b) *Authorization; Binding Obligations.* The Bank has the corporate power and authority to perform the duties and obligations of trustee under this Indenture. The Bank has taken all necessary corporate action to authorize the execution, delivery, and performance of this Indenture, and all of the documents required to be executed by the Bank pursuant to this Indenture. Upon execution and delivery by the Bank, this Indenture will be the valid and legally binding obligation of the Bank enforceable in accordance with its terms.

(c) *Eligibility.* The Bank is eligible under Section 6.8 to serve as Trustee under this Indenture.

Section 6.17. ***Additional Reporting Requirements.***

If the Initial Purchaser elects to enter into a posting dealer agreement pursuant to Section 7.20, upon the effectiveness of the posting dealer agreement, the Issuer shall provide to The Bond Market Association certain documents for posting in the Repository as mutually agreed between the Portfolio Manager and the Initial Purchaser.

If the Initial Purchaser has entered into a posting dealer agreement, as promptly as possible following the execution of any supplemental indenture under Article 8, the Trustee at the expense of the Issuer shall deliver a copy of such supplemental indenture to the Repository in the manner described in Section 14.3(a)(viii).

## ARTICLE 7

### COVENANTS

Section 7.1. ***Payment of Principal and Interest.***

The Applicable Issuers shall pay the principal of and interest on the Securities in accordance with the Securities and this Indenture.

The Issuer shall, subject to the Priority of Payments, reimburse the Co-Issuer for any amounts paid by the Co-Issuer pursuant to the Securities or this Indenture. The Co-Issuer shall not reimburse the Issuer for any amounts paid by the Issuer pursuant to the Securities or this Indenture.

Amounts properly withheld under the Code or other applicable law by any person from a payment to any Holder shall be considered as having been paid by the applicable Issuers to the Holder for all purposes of this Indenture.

Section 7.2. ***Maintenance of Office or Agency.***

The Co-Issuers appoint the Trustee as a Paying Agent for the payment of principal of and interest on the Notes and of the Class 1 Component. The Co-Issuers appoint JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, 4 New York Plaza, Ground Floor, New York, NY 10004, Attn: ITS (Houston) Southfork CLO Ltd., as the Co-Issuers' agent where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Securities or this Indenture may be served and where Securities may be surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

The Co-Issuers may at any time and from time to time vary or terminate the appointment of any Paying Agent or appoint any additional agents for all of these purposes.

The Co-Issuers shall maintain in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, an office or agency where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Securities and this Indenture may be served and an office or agency outside of the United States where Securities may be presented and surrendered for payment.

No paying agent shall be appointed in a jurisdiction that subjects payments on the Securities to withholding tax.

So long as any Class of Securities is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, the Co-Issuers shall maintain in Ireland a Paying Agent and an office or agency where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Securities and this Indenture may be served and where the Securities may be surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

The Co-Issuers appoint, for so long as any Class of Securities is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, JP Morgan Bank (Ireland) PLC (the "***Irish Listing and Paying Agent***") as Listing Agent and as Paying Agent in Ireland with respect to the Securities, for the payment of principal and interest on the Securities and as the Co-Issuers' agent where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Securities or this Indenture may be served. If the Irish Listing and Paying Agent is replaced at any time when any Class of Securities is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, notice of the appointment of any replacement shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange as promptly as practicable after the appointment. The Co-Issuers shall give prompt written notice to the Trustee, each Rating Agency, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and the Holders of the Securities of the appointment or termination of any such agent and of the location and any change in the location of any such office or agency.

If at any time the Co-Issuers fail to maintain any required office or agency in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, or outside the United States, or fail to furnish the Trustee with their addresses, notices and demands may be served on the Co-Issuers.

Section 7.3. ***Money for Note Payments to be Held in Trust.***

All payments of amounts payable with respect to any Securities that are to be made from amounts withdrawn from the Payment Account shall be made on behalf of the Applicable Issuers by the Trustee or a Paying Agent with respect to payments on the Securities.

When the Applicable Issuers have a Paying Agent that is not also the Indenture Registrar, they shall furnish no later than the fifth calendar day after each Record Date a list in

the form the Paying Agent reasonably requests, of the names and addresses of the Holders and of the certificate numbers of individual Securities held by each Holder.

Whenever the Applicable Issuers have a Paying Agent other than the Trustee, they shall, on or before the Business Day before each Payment Date or Redemption Date direct the Trustee to deposit on the Payment Date with the Paying Agent an aggregate sum sufficient to pay the amounts then becoming due (to the extent funds are then available for that purpose in the Payment Account), that sum to be held in trust for the benefit of the persons entitled to it and (unless the Paying Agent is the Trustee) the Co-Issuers shall promptly notify the Trustee of its action or failure so to act. Any monies deposited with a Paying Agent (other than the Trustee) in excess of an amount sufficient to pay the amounts then becoming due on the Securities with respect to which the deposit was made shall be paid over by the Paying Agent to the Trustee for application in accordance with Article 10.

Additional or successor Paying Agents shall be appointed by Issuer Order with written notice of the appointment to the Trustee. So long as Notes of any Class are rated by a Rating Agency any Paying Agent must either have a long-term debt rating of "Aa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or higher by Moody's and "AA-" or higher by S&P or a short-term debt rating of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P or the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency must be satisfied with respect to its appointment. If a successor Paying Agent ceases to have a long-term debt rating of "Aa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or higher by Moody's and "AA-" or higher by S&P or a short-term debt rating of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) by Moody's and a short-term debt rating of "A-1+" by S&P, the Co-Issuers shall promptly remove the Paying Agent and appoint a successor Paying Agent. The Co-Issuers shall not appoint any Paying Agent that is not, at the time of the appointment, a depository institution or trust company subject to supervision and examination by federal or state or national banking authorities. The Co-Issuers shall cause each Paying Agent other than the Trustee to execute and deliver to the Trustee an instrument in which the Paying Agent agrees with the Trustee, subject to this Section 7.3, that the Paying Agent will:

- (i) allocate all sums received for payment to the Holders of Securities for which it acts as Paying Agent on each Payment Date and any Redemption Date among the Holders in the proportion specified in the applicable report to the extent permitted by applicable law;
- (ii) hold all sums held by it for the payment of amounts due with respect to the Securities in trust for the benefit of the persons entitled to them until they are paid or otherwise disposed of as provided in this Indenture;
- (iii) immediately resign as a Paying Agent and forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums held by it in trust for the payment of Securities if at any time it ceases to meet the standards required to be met by a Paying Agent at the time of its appointment;
- (iv) immediately give the Trustee notice of any default by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer (or any other obligor on the Notes) in the making of any payment required to be made; and
- (v) during the continuance of any such default, upon the written request of the Trustee, forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums so held in trust by the Paying Agent.

To obtain the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture or for any other purpose, the Co-Issuers may at any time pay, or by Issuer Order direct any Paying Agent to pay, to the Trustee all sums held in trust by the Co-Issuers or the Paying Agent, and, upon the payment by any Paying Agent to the Trustee, the Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to the money paid.

Any money deposited with a Paying Agent and not previously returned that remains unclaimed for 20 Business Days shall be returned to the Trustee. Except as otherwise required by applicable law, any money deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for the payment of the principal of or interest on any Security or with respect to the Class 1 Component and remaining unclaimed for two years after the principal or interest has become payable shall be paid to the Applicable Issuers. The Holder of the Security shall thereafter look only to the Applicable Issuers for payment of the amounts due to it as an unsecured general creditor and all liability of the Trustee or the Paying Agent with respect to that money (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Applicable Issuers) shall thereupon cease. The Trustee or the Paying Agent, before being required to release any payment, may, but shall not be required to, adopt and employ, at the expense of the Applicable Issuers any reasonable means of notification of the release of the payment, including mailing notice of the release to Holders whose Securities have been called but have not been surrendered for redemption or whose right to or interest in monies payable but not claimed is determinable from the records of any Paying Agent, at the last address of record of each Holder.

Section 7.4. ***Existence of Co-Issuers.***

(a) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall maintain in full force their existence and rights as companies incorporated or organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands and the State of Delaware, respectively, and shall obtain and preserve their qualification to do business as foreign corporations in each jurisdiction in which the qualifications are necessary to protect the validity and enforceability of this Indenture, the Securities, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Preference Shares, any of the Collateral or any of the Class 1 Collateral.

However, the Issuer may change its jurisdiction of incorporation from the Cayman Islands to any other jurisdiction reasonably selected by the Issuer so long as:

- (A) the Issuer has received a legal opinion (on which the Trustee may rely) to the effect that the change is not disadvantageous in any material respect to the Holders, the Portfolio Manager, the Insurer or any Hedge Counterparty,
- (B) written notice of the change has been given by the Issuer to the Trustee, the Holders of the Securities, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Portfolio Manager, any Hedge Counterparty, the Insurer and each Rating Agency, and
- (C) on or before the 15th Business Day following its receipt of the notice the Trustee has not received written notice from a Majority of the Controlling Class objecting to the change.

The Issuer may take any action required by this Indenture within the United States notwithstanding any provision of this Indenture requiring the Issuer to take the action outside of the United States so long as before taking the action the Issuer receives a legal opinion from nationally recognized legal counsel to the effect that it is not necessary to take the action outside



of the United States or any political subdivision of the United States to prevent the Issuer from becoming subject to any United States federal, state, or local withholding or other taxes.

(b) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall ensure that all corporate or other formalities regarding their respective existences (including holding regular board of directors' and shareholders', or other similar, meetings to the extent required by applicable law) are followed. Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall take any action, or conduct its affairs in a manner, that is likely to result in its separate existence being ignored or in its assets and liabilities being substantively consolidated with any other person in a bankruptcy, reorganization, or other insolvency proceeding. Without limiting the foregoing,

- (i) the Issuer shall not have any subsidiaries other than the Co-Issuer,
- (ii) the Co-Issuer shall not have any subsidiaries,
- (iii) the Issuer shall maintain at all times at least one director who is Independent of the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, and any of their respective Affiliates,
- (iv) the Issuer shall not commingle its funds with the funds of any other person, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture, and
- (v) except to the extent contemplated in the Management Agreement, the Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the declaration of trust by the Share Trustee, the Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall not:
  - (A) have any employees (other than their respective directors),
  - (B) engage in any transaction with any shareholder that would be a conflict of interest (the entry into the Administration Agreement with the Administrator shall not be deemed a conflict of interest), or
  - (C) pay dividends in violation of this Indenture, the resolutions of its board of directors and the Preference Share Documents.

#### Section 7.5. ***Protection of Collateral.***

(a) The Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer will procure any action within the Portfolio Manager's control that is reasonably necessary to maintain the perfection and priority of the security interest of the Trustee in the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral. The Issuer from time to time (and promptly upon the request of the Insurer for so long as the Insurer is the Controlling Class) shall execute and deliver any supplements and amendments to this Indenture and shall execute and deliver any Financing Statements, continuation statements, instruments of further assurance, and other instruments and shall take any other action appropriate to secure the rights and remedies of the Secured Parties under this Indenture and to:

- (i) Grant more effectively all or any portion of the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral;
- (ii) maintain or preserve the lien (and its priority) of this Indenture or to carry out more effectively the purposes of this Indenture;

(iii) perfect, publish notice of, or protect the validity of any Grant made by this Indenture (including any actions appropriate as a result of changes in law);

(iv) enforce any of the Pledged Obligations or other instruments or property included in the Collateral and the Class 1 Collateral;

(v) preserve and defend title to the Collateral and the Class 1 Collateral and the rights of the Secured Parties in the Collateral and of the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities in the Class 1 Collateral against the claims of anyone; and

(vi) pay when due all taxes levied or assessed on any part of the Collateral and the Class 1 Collateral.

The Issuer designates the Portfolio Manager as its agent and attorney in fact to execute any Financing Statement, continuation statement, and all other instruments, and take all other actions, required pursuant to this Section 7.5.

The Issuer authorizes the filing without the Issuer's signature a financing statement that names the Issuer as "debtor" and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association as "secured party" (with or without indicating its capacity as Trustee hereunder) and that describes the Collateral and the Class 1 Collateral as "all assets of the debtor, whether now owned or hereafter acquired and wherever located."

(b) The Trustee shall not:

(i) except in accordance with Section 10.6(a), (b), or (c), remove any portion of the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral that consists of Cash or is evidenced by an instrument, certificate, or other writing:

(A) from the jurisdiction in which it was held at the date the most recent Opinion of Counsel was delivered pursuant to Section 7.6 (or from the jurisdiction in which it was held as described in the Opinions of Counsel delivered at the Closing Date pursuant to Section 3.1(iii) if no Opinion of Counsel has yet been delivered pursuant to Section 7.6), or

(B) from the possession of the person who held it (other than the Bank), or

(ii) cause or permit ownership or the pledge of any portion of the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral that consists of book-entry securities to be recorded on the books of a person (other than the Bank):

(A) located in a different jurisdiction from the jurisdiction in which the ownership or pledge was recorded, or

(B) other than the person on whose books the ownership or pledge was originally recorded, unless the Trustee shall have first received an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the lien and security interest created by this Indenture with respect to the property and its priority will continue to be maintained after giving effect to the change.

(c) Without at least 30 days' prior written notice to the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall not change its "location" (as defined in Section 9-307 of the UCC) or change its name from the name shown on the signature pages of this Indenture.

(d) The Issuer shall, subject to the Priority of Payments, enforce all of its material rights and remedies under the Management Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, each Hedge Agreement and each Securities Lending Agreement.

(e) The Issuer shall pay any taxes levied because any Pledged Obligations are owned by the Issuer.

(f) The Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer will either exercise the "put" option that prevents a Collateral Obligation from being a Long-Dated Collateral Obligation on the last available date before the Stated Maturity of the Securities or sell the Collateral Obligation for Sale Proceeds at least equal to the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation, in either case by the Stated Maturity of the Securities.

**Section 7.6. *Opinions as to Collateral.***

On or before May, 31 in each calendar year, commencing in 2006, the Issuer shall furnish to the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Insurer and each Rating Agency an Opinion of Counsel from each relevant jurisdiction stating that, in the counsel's opinion, as of the date of the opinion, all actions necessary to maintain the lien and security interest created by this Indenture with respect to the Collateral and the Class 1 Collateral have been taken and that no further action (other than as specified in the opinion) needs to be taken for the continued effectiveness and perfection of the lien over the next year. The opinion may be subject to customary assumptions and qualifications.

**Section 7.7. *Performance of Obligations.***

(a) The Co-Issuers, each as to itself, shall not take any action, and shall use their reasonable commercial efforts not to permit any action to be taken by others, that would release any person from any of the person's covenants or obligations under any instrument included in the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral, except in the case of enforcement action taken with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this Indenture and actions by the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement and in conformity with this Indenture or as otherwise required by this Indenture.

(b) The Applicable Issuers may, with the prior written consent of the Insurer, a Majority of each Class of Notes, a Majority of the Preference Shares and a Majority of the Class 1 Component (except in the case of the Management Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement as initially executed), contract with other persons (including the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, and the Collateral Administrator) for the performance of actions and obligations to be performed by the Applicable Issuers under this Indenture. Notwithstanding any such arrangement, the Applicable Issuers shall remain primarily liable for performance under this Indenture. The Applicable Issuers shall punctually perform, and use their reasonable commercial efforts to cause the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and any other person to perform, all of their obligations in the Management Agreement, this Indenture, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement or any other agreement.

Section 7.8. *Negative Covenants.*

(a) The Issuer shall not and, with respect to clauses (ii), (iii), (iv), and (vi), the Co-Issuer shall not, in each case from and after the Closing Date:

(i) sell, transfer, assign, exchange, or otherwise dispose of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecate, or otherwise encumber (or permit or suffer the sale, transfer, assignment, exchange, or other disposition of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecation, or other encumbering of), any part of the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and the Management Agreement;

(ii) claim any credit on, make any deduction from, or, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable laws, dispute the enforceability of payment of the principal or interest (or any other amount) payable in respect of the Notes or the Class 1 Component (other than amounts withheld in accordance with the Code or any applicable laws of the Cayman Islands) or assert any claim against any present or future Holder of Notes because of the payment of any taxes levied or assessed on any part of the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral;

(iii) (A) incur or assume or guarantee any indebtedness, other than the Securities and this Indenture and the transactions contemplated by this Indenture (including, as contemplated hereby, entering into the Hedge Agreements and Securities Lending Agreements), or (B) issue any additional class of securities other than the Preference Shares issued on or before the Closing Date, except as otherwise permitted by the Preference Share Documents;

(iv) (A) permit the validity or effectiveness of this Indenture or any Grant under this Indenture to be impaired, or permit the lien of this Indenture to be amended, hypothecated, subordinated, terminated, or discharged, or permit any person to be released from any covenants or obligations with respect to this Indenture or the Securities, except as may be expressly permitted by this Indenture or by the Management Agreement, (B) permit any lien, charge, adverse claim, security interest, mortgage, or other encumbrance (other than the lien of this Indenture) to be created on or extend to or otherwise arise on or burden any part of the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral, any interest in it, or its proceeds of, or (C) take any action that would permit the lien of this Indenture not to be a valid first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral and the Class 1 Collateral;

(v) amend the Management Agreement except pursuant to its terms and Section 15.1(f)(iv) or amend the Collateral Administration Agreement except pursuant to its terms unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the amendment or enter into any waiver in respect of any of the foregoing agreements without providing written notice to each Rating Agency and the Trustee (and, with respect to the Collateral Administration Agreement, without the consent of the Trustee);

(vi) to the extent permitted by applicable law, dissolve or liquidate in whole or in part, except as permitted under this Indenture;

(vii) pay any dividends or other distributions other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents;

(viii) conduct business under any name other than its own;

(ix) have any employees (other than directors and officers to the extent they are employees); or

(x) except for any Underlying Instrument and agreements involving the purchase or sale of Collateral Obligations having customary purchase or sale terms and documented with customary trading documentation (but not excepting any Synthetic Security or Hedge Agreement), enter into any agreement unless the agreement contains "non-petition" and "limited recourse" provisions.

(b) Neither the Issuer nor the Trustee shall sell, transfer, exchange, or otherwise dispose of Collateral or Class 1 Collateral, or enter into an agreement or commitment to do so, or enter into or engage in any business with respect to any part of the Collateral or Class 1 Collateral, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer, the Management Agreement.

(c) The Co-Issuer shall not invest any of its assets in "securities" as the term is defined in the 1940 Act, and shall keep all of its assets in Cash.

(d) Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall use the proceeds of the Securities to buy or carry Margin Stock.

Section 7.9. ***Notice of Default; Statement as to Compliance.***

(a) The Co-Issuers shall notify the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Insurer, the Rating Agencies, and each Hedge Counterparty within 10 days of acquiring actual knowledge of Default.

(b) On or before May, 31 in each calendar year commencing in 2006, the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee (to be forwarded by the Trustee to the Portfolio Manager and each Holder of Securities making a written request therefor and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee), the Insurer and each Rating Agency) a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer that, to the best knowledge of the Issuer, no Default exists, and has not existed since the date of the last certificate or, if a Default does then exist or had existed, specifying the same and its nature and status, including actions undertaken to remedy it, and that the Issuer has complied with all of its obligations under this Indenture or, if that is not the case, specifying those obligations with which it has not complied.

Section 7.10. ***Co-Issuers May Consolidate, etc., Only on Certain Terms.***

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer (the "***Merging Entity***") shall consolidate or merge with or into any other person or transfer or convey all or substantially all of its assets to any person, unless permitted by Cayman Islands law (in the case of the Issuer) or United States and Delaware law (in the case of the Co-Issuer) and unless:

(a) the Merging Entity shall be the surviving corporation, or the person (if other than the Merging Entity) formed by the consolidation or into which the Merging Entity is merged or to which all or substantially all of the assets of the Merging Entity are transferred (the "***Successor Entity***"),

(i) if the Merging Entity is the Issuer, is a company organized and existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands or another jurisdiction approved by a Majority of the Controlling Class (except that no approval shall be required in connection with any such transaction undertaken solely to effect a change in the jurisdiction of incorporation pursuant to Section 7.4), and

(ii) in any case shall expressly assume, by an indenture supplemental to this Indenture, executed and delivered to the Trustee, the Insurer and each Noteholder and each Composite Securityholder, the due and punctual payment of all amounts on all Securities issued by the Merging Entity and the performance and observance of every covenant of this Indenture on its part to be performed or observed, all as provided in this Indenture;

(b) each Rating Agency shall have been notified of the consolidation, merger, transfer, or conveyance and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the transaction;

(c) if the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall have agreed with the Trustee,

(i) to observe the same legal requirements for the recognition of the formed or surviving corporation as a legal entity separate and apart from any of its Affiliates as are applicable to the Merging Entity with respect to its Affiliates,

(ii) not to consolidate or merge with or into any other person or transfer or convey the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral or all or substantially all of its assets to any other person except in accordance with this Section 7.10; and

(iii) in any case shall expressly assume by an indenture supplemental to this Indenture, executed and delivered to the Trustee, the Insurer, each Noteholder, each Composite Securityholder and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the due and punctual payment of all amounts on all Securities issued by the Merging Entity and the performance and observance of every covenant of this Indenture on its part to be performed or observed, all as provided in this Indenture;

(d) if the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall have delivered to the Trustee, the Insurer and each Rating Agency an Officer's certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that it is duly organized, validly existing, and in good standing in the jurisdiction in which it is organized; that it has sufficient power and authority to assume the obligations in subsection (a) above and to execute and deliver an indenture supplemental to this Indenture for the purpose of assuming the obligations in subsection (a) above; that it has duly authorized the execution, delivery, and performance of an indenture supplemental to this Indenture for the purpose of assuming the obligations in subsection (a) above and that the supplemental indenture is its valid and legally binding obligation, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject only to bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium, and other laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally and to general principles of equity; if the Merging Entity is the Issuer, that, following the event that causes the Successor Entity to become the successor to the Issuer, (i) the Successor Entity has title, free of any lien, security interest, or charge, other than the lien and security interest of this Indenture, to the Collateral and the Class 1 Collateral, and (ii) the lien of this Indenture

continues to be effective in the Collateral and the Class 1 Collateral; and in each case as to any other matters the Trustee or any Noteholder or Composite Securityholder reasonably requires;

(e) after giving effect to the transaction, no Default or Event of Default shall be continuing;

(f) the Merging Entity shall have notified each Rating Agency of the consolidation, merger, transfer, or conveyance and shall have delivered to the Trustee, the Insurer, each Noteholder, each Composite Securityholder and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) an Officer's certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that the consolidation, merger, transfer, or conveyance and the supplemental indenture comply with this Article 7 and that all conditions precedent in this Article 7 relating to the transaction have been complied with and that no adverse tax consequences will result therefrom to the Holders of the Securities or Preference Shares or the Insurer;

(g) the Merging Entity shall have delivered to the Trustee and the Insurer an Opinion of Counsel stating that after giving effect to the transaction, neither of the Co-Issuers (or, if applicable, the Successor Entity) will be as an investment company under the 1940 Act; and

(h) after giving effect to the transaction, the outstanding stock of the Merging Entity (or, if applicable, the Successor Entity) will not be beneficially owned within the meaning of the 1940 Act by any U.S. Person.

Section 7.11. ***Successor Substituted.***

Upon any consolidation or merger, or transfer or conveyance of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, in accordance with Section 7.10 in which the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall succeed to, and be substituted for, and may exercise every right of, the Merging Entity under this Indenture with the same effect as if the person had been named as the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, in this Indenture. Upon any such consolidation, merger, transfer, or conveyance, the person named as the "Issuer" or the "Co-Issuer" in the first paragraph of this Indenture or any successor may be dissolved, wound up, and liquidated at any time thereafter, and the person thereafter shall be released from its liabilities as obligor and maker on all the Securities and from its obligations under this Indenture.

Section 7.12. ***No Other Business.***

(a) From and after the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not engage in any business or activity other than issuing and selling the Securities pursuant to this Indenture and the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents and acquiring, owning, holding, and pledging and selling Collateral Obligations and the other Collateral and the Class 1 Collateral in connection therewith, and shall not act as agent, negotiator or structurer with respect to any Collateral, act as a participant in negotiating terms of a primary loan agreement, enter into a binding commitment to purchase any Collateral prior to the issuance thereof or engage in any transaction or activity not permitted by Schedule 7 or which the Issuer knows would cause it to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States within the meaning of Section 864 of the Code, and the Co-Issuer shall not engage in any business or activity other than issuing and selling the Notes to be issued by it pursuant to this Indenture and,

with respect to the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, other activities appropriate to accomplish the foregoing or incidental thereto or connected therewith.

(b) In furtherance and not in limitation of clause (a) of this Section 7.12, the Issuer shall comply with all of the provisions set forth in Schedule 7 hereto, unless, with respect to a particular transaction, the Issuer and the Trustee shall have received an opinion or advice of tax counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters that, under the relevant facts and circumstances with respect to such transaction, the Issuer's failure to comply with one or more of such provisions will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States within the meaning of Section 864 of the Code or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis. The provisions set forth in Schedule 7 hereto may be amended, eliminated or supplemented (without execution of a supplemental indenture) if the Issuer and the Trustee shall have received an opinion of tax counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters that the Issuer's compliance with such amended provisions or supplemental provisions or the Issuer's failure to comply with such provisions proposed to be eliminated, as the case may be, will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States within the meaning of Section 864 of the Code or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis provided, however, that written notice of any such amendment, elimination or supplementation of or to the provisions of Schedule 7 pursuant to this Section 7.12(b) shall be provided to the Insurer and each Rating Agency then rating any Outstanding Class of Securities within 90 days of any such amendment, elimination or supplementation. For the avoidance of doubt, in the event an opinion of tax counsel as described above has been obtained in accordance with the terms hereof, no consent of any Holder of the Securities or satisfaction of the Rating Condition shall be required in order to comply with this Section 7.12(b) in connection with the amendment, elimination or supplementation of any provision of Schedule 7 contemplated by such opinion of tax counsel.

(c) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer may amend, or permit the amendment of, their Memorandum and Articles or the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the amendment (but not otherwise).

**Section 7.13. *Listing on Irish Stock Exchange.***

So long as any Securities remain Outstanding, the Co-Issuers shall use all reasonable efforts to obtain and maintain the listing of the Securities on the Irish Stock Exchange.

**Section 7.14. *Annual Rating Review.***

So long as any Securities of any Class remain Outstanding, on or before May, 31 in each year commencing in 2006, the Co-Issuers shall obtain and pay for an annual review or ongoing surveillance of the rating of each Outstanding Class of Securities (including, in the case of the Insured Notes, the rating thereof without giving effect to the Policy) from each Rating Agency, as applicable. The Co-Issuers shall promptly notify the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager in writing (and the Trustee shall promptly provide a copy of the notice to the Holders of the Securities) and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) if at any time the rating of any Class of Securities has been, or is known will be, changed or withdrawn.



Section 7.15. ***Reporting.***

At any time when the Co-Issuers are not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act and are not exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act, upon the request of a Holder or Beneficial Owner of any Note or a Holder of a Composite Security, the Co-Issuers shall promptly furnish "Rule 144A Information" to the Holder or Beneficial Owner, to a prospective purchaser of a Security designated by the Holder or Beneficial Owner or to the Trustee for delivery to the Holder or Beneficial Owner or a prospective purchaser designated by the Holder or Beneficial Owner, as the case may be, to permit compliance by the Holder or Beneficial Owner with Rule 144A under the Securities Act in connection with the resale of the Security by the Holder or Beneficial Owner. "**Rule 144A Information**" is the information specified pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act.

Section 7.16. ***Calculation Agent.***

(a) The Issuer agrees that for so long as any floating rate Notes remain Outstanding an agent will always have been appointed (that does not control and is not controlled by or under common control with the Issuer or its Affiliates) to calculate LIBOR in respect of each Interest Period (the "**Calculation Agent**"). The Issuer has initially appointed the Trustee as Calculation Agent. The Issuer may remove the Calculation Agent at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Issuer or if the Calculation Agent fails to determine any of the information required to be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange, as described in subsection (b), in respect of any Interest Period, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager (on its behalf) shall promptly appoint a replacement Calculation Agent. For so long as any Securities are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, notice of the appointment of any replacement Calculation Agent shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange or the Irish Listing and Paying Agent as promptly as practicable after the appointment. The Calculation Agent may not resign its duties without a successor having been duly appointed.

(b) As soon as possible after 11:00 A.M., London time, on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period, but in no event later than 11:00 A.M., London time, on the next Business Day, the Calculation Agent shall calculate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of floating rate Notes for the next Interest Period. The Calculation Agent shall communicate those rates and amounts to the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Insurer, each Paying Agent, the Portfolio Manager, Euroclear, Clearstream, the Depository, and, so long as any of the floating rate Notes are listed thereon and the rules of the exchange so require, the Irish Stock Exchange or the Listing Agent. In the latter case, the information shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange or the Listing Agent as soon as possible after its determination. The Calculation Agent shall separately notify the Irish Stock Exchange or the Irish Listing and Paying Agent of the information. The Calculation Agent shall also specify to the Co-Issuers the quotations on which the foregoing rates are based, and in any event the Calculation Agent shall notify the Co-Issuers before 7:00 P.M., London time, on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period that either:

(i) it has determined or is in the process of determining the Note Interest Rate for each Class of floating rate Notes, or

(ii) it has not determined and is not in the process of determining any such Note Interest Rate together with its reasons therefor.

The Calculation Agent's determination of the foregoing rates for any Interest Period shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding on all parties and the Holders and Beneficial Owners of the Preference Shares.

Section 7.17. ***Certain Tax Matters.***

(a) For United States federal income tax purposes, the Issuer shall treat the Preference Shares as equity and the Notes as debt. The Issuer shall treat the Composite Securities as consisting of Preference Shares corresponding to the Preference Share Component and representing an ownership interest in the Class 1 Collateral. Each Holder of a Note, by its acquisition of that Note, agrees to treat those Notes as debt for United States federal income tax purposes. Each Holder of a Composite Security, by its acquisition of the Composite Security, agrees to treat the Composite Securities as consisting of Preference Shares corresponding to corresponding to the Preference Share Component, and representing an ownership interest in the Class 1 Collateral and to treat the Preference Shares as equity in the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes.

(b) The Issuer will not elect to be treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

(c) The Issuer shall file, or cause to be filed, any tax returns, including information tax returns, required by any governmental authority; provided, however, that the Issuer shall not file, or cause to be filed, any income or franchise tax return in any state of the United States unless it shall have obtained an opinion of tax counsel of nationally recognized standing experienced in such matters prior to such filing that, under the laws of such jurisdiction, the Issuer is required to file such income or franchise tax return.

(d) Upon the Trustee's receipt of a request of a Holder holding a Note that is issued with original issue discount for U.S. Federal income tax purposes for the information described in United States Treasury Regulations section 1.1275-3(b)(1) that is applicable to such Note that is issued with original issue discount for U.S. Federal income tax purposes, the Issuer will cause its independent accountants to provide promptly to the Trustee and such requesting Holder all of such information.

(e) Notwithstanding any contrary agreement or understanding, the Portfolio Manager, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Insurer and the Holders and beneficial owners of the Notes and Composite Securities (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) may disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions contemplated by this Indenture and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to them relating to such tax treatment and tax structure. The foregoing provision shall apply from the beginning of discussions between the parties. For this purpose, the tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. tax treatment of the transaction under applicable U.S. federal, state or local law, and the tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. tax treatment of the transaction under applicable U.S. federal, state or local law.

(f) The Issuer and each Holder and each beneficial owner of a Senior Class A Note, Class A-2 Note, Class A-3 Notes, Class B Note or Class C Note (as the case may be), by acceptance of its Senior Class A Note, Class A-2 Note, Class A-3 Notes, Class B Note or Class C Note (as the case may be), or its interest in a Senior Class A Note, Class A-2 Note, Class A-3

Notes, Class B Note or Class C Note (as the case may be), as the case may be, shall be deemed to have agreed to treat, and shall treat, such Senior Class A Note, Class A-2 Note, Class A-3 Notes, Class B Note or Class C Note as debt of the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes.

(g) Each Holder and beneficial owner of a Note or Composite Security, by acceptance of its Note or Composite Security or its interest in a Note or Composite Security, shall be deemed to understand and acknowledge that failure to provide the Issuer, the Trustee or any Paying Agent with the applicable U.S. federal income tax certifications (generally, a United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 (or successor applicable form) in the case of a person that is a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code or an appropriate United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 (or successor applicable form) in the case of a person that is not a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) may result in U.S. federal back-up withholding from payments in respect of such Note or Composite Security.

(h) The Issuer shall cause its independent accountants, within 90 days after the end of each calendar year, to provide to each Holder of Securities and, upon written request therefor certifying that it is a holder of a beneficial interest in a Note or Composite Security, to such holder (or its designee), all information that a U.S. shareholder making a "qualified electing fund" election (as defined in the Code) with respect to the Notes is required to obtain from the Issuer for U.S. federal income tax purposes and a "PFIC Annual Information Statement" as described in United States Treasury Regulation section 1.1295-1(g)(1) (or any successor Treasury Regulation) (including all representations and statements required by such statement), and the Issuer will take or cause to be taken any other reasonable steps to facilitate such election by a Noteholder or Composite Securityholder or beneficial owner of Notes or Composite Securities.

(i) If the Issuer is aware that it has purchased an interest in a "reportable transaction" within the meaning of Section 6011 of the Code, and a Holder of a Note or Composite Security requests information about any such transactions in which the Issuer is an investor, the Issuer shall provide such information it has reasonably available as soon as practicable after such request.

(j) The Issuer shall provide, or cause to be provided, upon the request of a Noteholder or Composite Securityholder and, upon written request certifying that it is a holder of a beneficial interest in a Note or Composite Security, to such holder (or its designee), any information that a Holder or beneficial owner of Notes or Composite Securities reasonably requests to assist such Noteholder, Composite Securityholder or beneficial owner with regard to filing requirements the Noteholder, Composite Securityholder or beneficial owner of Notes or Composite Securities is required to satisfy as a result of the controlled foreign corporation rules under the Code.

(k) The Issuer shall not conduct any business other than the business that the Issuer is permitted to conduct under this Agreement.

#### Section 7.18. ***Securities Lending.***

(a) So long as no Event of Default is continuing and if after the completion of the transaction the limit in clause (28) of the definition of "Concentration Limitations" would be satisfied, the Portfolio Manager may cause Collateral Obligations that are not Defaulted

Collateral Obligations to be lent for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) having long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or guarantors with ratings of at least "A1" (and not "A1" but on credit watch with negative implications) and "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A" from S&P (each, a "**Securities Lending Counterparty**") pursuant to one or more agreements (each, a "**Securities Lending Agreement**"); provided that Collateral Obligations the Market Value of which cannot be determined under clause (i), (ii) or (iii) of that definition may not be lent pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement. Upon receipt of an Issuer Order, the Trustee shall release any lent Collateral Obligations to a Securities Lending Counterparty as directed by the Portfolio Manager. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Initial Purchaser or Affiliates of the Portfolio Manager. The duration of any Securities Lending Agreement shall not exceed the Stated Maturity of the Securities.

(b) Each Securities Lending Agreement shall be on market terms as determined by the Portfolio Manager (except as may be required below) and shall:

(i) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty return to the Issuer debt obligations that are identical (in terms of issue and class) to the lent Collateral Obligations;

(ii) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty pay to the Issuer amounts equivalent to all interest and other payments that the owner of the lent Collateral Obligation is entitled to for the period during which the Collateral Obligation is lent and require that any such payments not be subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the Securities Lending Counterparty is required under the Securities Lending Agreement to make "gross-up" payments to the Issuer that cover the full amount of the withholding tax on an after-tax basis;

(iii) require that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency shall be satisfied with respect to the execution of the Securities Lending Agreement;

(iv) satisfy any other requirements of Section 1058 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated under it;

(v) be governed by the laws of New York;

(vi) permit the Issuer to assign its rights under the Securities Lending Agreement to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture;

(vii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Collateral Obligation becomes a Credit Risk Obligation or is subject to redemption in accordance with its terms;

(viii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty upon any redemption of the Securities in whole;

(ix) require the Securities Lending Counterparty to post with the Trustee collateral consisting of cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the Securities Lending Agreement (the "**Securities Lending**");

**Collateral**") to secure its obligation to return the Collateral Obligations or in the alternative post the Securities Lending Collateral with a custodian for the benefit of the Issuer designated by the Securities Lending Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that custodian would qualify to be a successor trustee under Section 6.8;

(x) provide that the Securities Lending Collateral shall be maintained at all times in an amount equal to at least 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value (determined daily and monitored by the Portfolio Manager) of the lent Collateral Obligations and if securities are delivered to the Trustee as security for the obligations of the Securities Lending Counterparty under the related Securities Lending Agreement, the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer will negotiate with the Securities Lending Counterparty a rate for the loan fee to be paid to the Issuer for lending the lent Collateral Obligations;

(xi) the lent Collateral Obligations shall be marked-to-market on a daily basis by the Portfolio Manager on the basis of their Market Value;

(xii) the Collateral will include the Issuer's rights under the related Securities Lending Agreement rather than the loaned Collateral Obligation;

(xiii) provide for early termination within 10 days at the option of the Issuer and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Securities Lending Counterparty is no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty and the noncompliance is not cured as provided in this Indenture; and

(xiv) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Securities Lending Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those in this Indenture.

(c) If either Moody's or S&P downgrades a Securities Lending Counterparty such that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party are no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty, then the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer, within 10 days of the downgrade, shall

(i) terminate its Securities Lending Agreements with the Securities Lending Counterparty unless a guarantor for the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements has been obtained; or

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations lent to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty so that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party, together with all other Securities Lending Agreements, are in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of Securities Lending Counterparties; or

(iii) take any other steps Moody's or S&P may require to cause the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party to be treated by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, as if the obligations were owed by a counterparty having a

rating at least equivalent to the rating that was assigned by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty before its being downgraded.

(d) In connection with any such direction by the Portfolio Manager to enter into a Securities Lending Agreement, the Trustee may receive and rely on an Issuer Order to the effect that the Securities Lending Agreement, and its Securities Lending Counterparty, is each in compliance with the requirements of this Indenture (including the definition of "Securities Lending Counterparty"). The Issuer and the Trustee may enter into any Securities Lending Agreement (and any related account control agreement) at the instruction of the Portfolio Manager, and deliver and accept delivery and return of any Collateral Obligations pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement, or pursuant to instructions from the Portfolio Manager in connection with the Securities Lending Agreement. The Trustee may take any actions and exercise any rights and remedies under any Securities Lending Agreement that the Portfolio Manager instructs. The Trustee need not enter into any Securities Lending Agreement (or any related account control agreement) that would in its judgment, subject it to any liability, whether financial or otherwise, or cause it to incur or subject it to risk of any cost or disbursement for which it is not, in its judgment, adequately indemnified, or that would impose on it any obligations or administrative burdens that are unacceptable to it. The Portfolio Manager shall instruct the Trustee in writing with respect to the administration of any Securities Lending Agreement (including with respect to any default and the exercise of rights under it). The Trustee shall not have any responsibility for evaluating the sufficiency, validity, or acceptability of any Securities Lending Agreement or for the qualifications or eligibility of any Securities Lending Counterparty. Nothing in this Indenture shall be construed to cause the Trustee to have any fiduciary duties to any Securities Lending Counterparty.

So long as any Collateral Obligation is on loan pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement,

(a) the Trustee shall have no liability for any failure or inability on its part to receive any information or take any action with respect to the Collateral Obligation because of its being on loan (including any failure to take action with respect to a notice of redemption, consent solicitation, exchange or tender offer, or similar corporate action), and

(b) the loaned Collateral Obligations shall not be disqualified for return to the Trustee as a Collateral Obligation by any change in circumstance or status during the time while on loan (including any change that would cause the Collateral Obligation to be ineligible for purchase by the Issuer under this Indenture if applied to a proposed purchase of it in the open market at the time of its return from loan).

Section 7.19. ***Purchase of Collateral Obligations; Ramp-Up Completion Date.***

(a) The Issuer shall use its best efforts to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period or enter into commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period for purchase on or as soon as practicable thereafter (not to exceed 60 days thereafter), in each case, for inclusion in the Collateral so that each of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$663,000,000.

(b) No Collateral Obligations may be purchased prior to the Ramp-Up Completion Date unless immediately following the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (as certified by the Portfolio Manager in writing), the remaining funds in the Collection Account, after giving effect to such purchase, are sufficient as of the date of determination to purchase Collateral Obligations for inclusion in the Collateral so that each of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least \$663,000,000 (taking into account the Collateral Obligations already part of the Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date)).

(c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, or any other provision of this Indenture, if the Issuer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase a Collateral Obligation to be included in the Collateral, such commitment initially not to exceed 60 days, and at the time of the commitment the Collateral Obligation complied with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set forth in this Section 7.19, the Issuer may consummate the purchase of the Collateral Obligation notwithstanding that the Collateral Obligation fails to comply with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set out above on the date of settlement.

(d) The Issuer will use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase, or to enter into binding agreements to purchase, Collateral Obligations by the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that, together with the Collateral Obligations purchased on or before the Closing Date and then held by the Issuer, will satisfy, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date), the Collateral Quality Tests, the Concentration Limitations, the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 of this Indenture and the Overcollateralization Tests.

(e) On or prior to July 1, 2005, so long as the Ramp-Up Completion Date has not already occurred, the Portfolio Manager shall certify by an order of the Portfolio Manager delivered to the Issuer, the Trustee and Moody's that, as of such date: (i)(A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least \$575,000,000, or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer with proceeds from the sale of the Securities (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be) equals at least \$575,000,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date, (ii) the Diversity Score is equal to at least 45, (iii) the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied and (iv) each of the Coverage Tests is satisfied. If the Portfolio Manager is not able to certify each of the foregoing items, an Interim Ramp-Up Completion Date Failure shall occur.

(f) Within 5 Business Days after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Issuer) shall request a Rating Confirmation on behalf of the Issuer and shall provide a report to the Rating Agencies identifying the Collateral Obligations then included in the Collateral and the Issuer shall obtain and deliver to the Trustee, the Insurer and the Rating Agencies, together with the delivery of a report (and an electronic file of the Collateral Obligations to S&P) substantially in the form of a Monthly Report as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, an Accountants' Certificate:

(i) confirming the maturity date, rating, spread and recovery rate for each item of Original Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date and the information provided by the Issuer with respect to every other asset included in the Collateral, by reference to such sources as shall be specified therein;

(ii) confirming that as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date:

(1) each of the Coverage Tests are satisfied;

(2) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owned or committed to purchase as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date is at least equal to the Maximum Investment Amount; and

(3) the Collateral Obligations comply with all of the requirements of the Collateral Quality Tests and the Concentration Limitations and the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 of this Indenture; and

(iii) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing statements.

(g) If a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, the Notes will be redeemed pursuant to, and to the extent provided in, Section 9.1(a).

**Section 7.20. *Posting of Reports on Repository.***

If the Initial Purchaser has entered into a posting dealer agreement with The Bond Market Association relating to the transactions contemplated by this Indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager acknowledges and agrees that each Monthly Report and Valuation Report shall be posted to the Repository for use in the manner provided in the Repository. In connection therewith, the Trustee at the expense of the Issuer agrees to make available in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(viii) each Monthly Report or Valuation Report to the operator of the Repository for posting on the Repository.

**Section 7.21. *Secondary Risk Procedures.***

The Portfolio Manager shall notify S&P and request that S&P modify the S&P CDO Monitor accordingly if on any date (as disclosed in the most recent Monthly Report):

(a) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Collateral Obligations participated from or entered into with the same Secondary Risk Counterparty exceeds the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount in the Secondary Risk Table opposite the long-term S&P credit rating of the Secondary Risk Counterparty under the caption "Individual Counterparty Limit," or

(b) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Collateral Obligations participated from or entered into with Secondary Risk counterparties with the same long-term credit rating exceeds the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount in the Secondary Risk Table opposite that rating under the caption "Aggregate Counterparty Limit" (excluding up to 5% by Aggregate Principal Amount of Synthetic Securities with respect to Collateral Obligations the Aggregate Counterparty Limit of which is 20% to the extent that (x) such exposure is fully



collateralized with respect to principal and (y) the related Synthetic Security Counterparties are rated at least "A-1+" by S&P).

## ARTICLE 8

### SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURES

#### Section 8.1. ***Supplemental Indentures Without Consent of Holders.***

(a) Without the consent of the Holders of any Securities or the Holders of any Preference Shares, when authorized by Board Resolutions, and subject to the requirement provided below in this Section 8.1 with respect to the ratings of any Class of Securities, the Co-Issuers and the Trustee may, and the Insurer shall, if it is not materially and adversely affected thereby (and will be bound by a standard of good faith and fair dealing in making such determination) execute one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, to:

(1) evidence the succession of another person to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and the assumption by the successor person of the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture and in the Securities;

(2) add to the covenants of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee for the benefit of the Holders of the Securities or to surrender any right in this Indenture conferred on the Co-Issuers;

(3) convey, transfer, assign, mortgage, or pledge any property to the Trustee, or add to the conditions, limitations, or restrictions on the authorized amount, terms, and purposes of the issue, authentication, and delivery of the Securities;

(4) evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment under this Indenture by a successor Trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of this Indenture necessary to facilitate the administration of the trusts under this Indenture by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of Sections 6.9, 6.10, and 6.12;

(5) correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of this Indenture, or to better assure, convey, and confirm to the Trustee any property subject or required to be subject to the lien of this Indenture (including all actions appropriate as a result of changes in law) or to subject to the lien of this Indenture any additional property;

(6) modify the restrictions on and procedures for resales and other transfers of the Securities to reflect any changes in applicable law (or its interpretation) or to enable the Co-Issuers to rely on any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities Act or the 1940 Act or to remove restrictions on resale and transfer to the extent not required under this Indenture;

(7) with the consent of the Portfolio Manager, to modify the restrictions on the sales of Collateral Obligations in Section 12.1 or the Eligibility Criteria in Section 12.2 (and the definitions related thereto) in a manner not materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of the Notes, the Composite Securities or the Preference Shares as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including

financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Portfolio Manager to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of the Notes, the Composite Securities or the Preference Shares;

(8) make appropriate changes for any Class of Securities to be listed on an exchange other than the Irish Stock Exchange;

(9) otherwise to correct any inconsistency or cure any ambiguity or errors in this Indenture;

(10) accommodate the issuance of the Securities in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC or otherwise;

(11) to take any appropriate action to prevent the Issuer, the Insurer, the Holders of Securities or Preference Shares, or the Trustee from becoming subject to withholding or other taxes, fees, or assessments or to prevent the Issuer from being treated as being engaged in a U.S. trade or business or otherwise being subject to U.S. federal, state, or local income tax on a net income basis, so long as the action will not cause the Insurer or the Holders of any Securities or Preference Shares to be adversely affected to any material extent by any change to the timing, character, or source of the income from the Securities or Preference Shares, as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion);

(12) to authorize the appointment of any listing agent, Transfer Agent, Paying Agent, or additional registrar for any Class of Securities appropriate in connection with the listing of any Class of Securities on the Irish Stock Exchange or any other stock exchange, and otherwise to amend this Indenture to incorporate any changes required or requested by any governmental authority, stock exchange authority, listing agent, Transfer Agent, Paying Agent, or additional registrar for any Class of Securities in connection with its appointment, so long as the supplemental indenture would not materially and adversely affect any Holder of Securities, as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities;

(13) to amend, modify, enter into, or accommodate the execution of any contract relating to a Synthetic Security (including posting collateral under a Synthetic Security Agreement);

(14) to modify Section 3.3 to be consistent with applicable laws or Rating Agency requirements;

(15) to evidence any waiver by any Rating Agency as to any requirement or condition, as applicable, of the Rating Agency set forth in this Indenture;

(16) to facilitate the issuance of participation notes, combination notes, composite securities, and other similar securities;

(17) to facilitate hedging transactions;

(18) to facilitate the ability of the Issuer to lend collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement;

(19) to modify any provision to facilitate an A/B Exchange, including to effect any serial designation relating to the exchange; or

(20) with the consent of the Portfolio Manager, to enter into any additional agreements not expressly prohibited by this Indenture as well as any amendment, modification, or waiver if the Issuer determines that the amendment, modification, or waiver would not, upon or after becoming effective, materially and adversely affect the rights or interest of the Holders of any Class of Securities or the Holders of Preference Shares as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Portfolio Manager to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities or the Holders of Preference Shares.

(b) Without the consent of the Portfolio Manager, no supplemental indenture may be entered into that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to the Portfolio Manager under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Portfolio Manager.

(c) The Trustee is authorized to join in the execution of any such supplemental indenture and to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations that may be in the agreements, but the Trustee shall not be obligated to enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties, liabilities, or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise, except to the extent required by law. Unless notified by a Majority of any Class of the Securities or a Majority of the Holders of Preference Shares that the Class of Securities or Holders of Preference Shares would be materially and adversely affected, the Trustee may rely on a certificate of the Portfolio Manager and an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) as to whether the interests of any Holder of Securities or Holder of Preference Shares would be materially and adversely affected by any such supplemental indenture. The Trustee shall give notice of the proposed change to the Holders of Securities and to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) at least 15 Business Days before execution of any supplemental indenture by the Trustee (or 60 calendar days before execution, in the case of a supplemental indenture for the purpose described in paragraph (7) of Section 8.1(a), which shall be identified as such in a certificate of the Portfolio Manager delivered to the Trustee before the date on which such notice is required to be given).

(d) If any Outstanding Securities are rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee shall enter into a supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.1 only if either (1) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the supplemental indenture or (2) the Portfolio Manager and the Holders of 100% in Aggregate Outstanding

Amount of each Class of Securities the ratings on which would be reduced or withdrawn consent to the supplemental indenture. Prior to the entry into any supplemental Indenture with respect to which a Rating Confirmation for one or more Classes of Notes or Composite Securities is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Note and each Holder of each Outstanding Composite Security informing them of such fact.

(e) At the cost of the Co-Issuers, for so long as any Securities are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee shall provide to the Rating Agency, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Hedge Counterparty a copy of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee.

**Section 8.2. *Supplemental Indentures With Consent of Holders.***

(a) If the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency, the Trustee, the Insurer and the Co-Issuers may execute one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture to add any provisions to, or change in any manner, or eliminate any of the provisions of, this Indenture or modify in any manner the rights of the Holders of the Securities under this Indenture with the consent of:

- (1) the Portfolio Manager if the supplemental indenture would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Portfolio Manager;
- (2) a Majority of each Class of Notes adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of each such Class of Notes;
- (3) a Majority of the Composite Securities adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of the Composite Securities; and
- (4) a Majority of the Preference Shares adversely affected thereby.

Any proposed supplemental indenture that would also necessitate a change to the Memorandum and Articles of Association may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Memorandum and Articles of Association) has been passed to permit the Issuer's constitutional documents to be altered to conform them to the proposed change to this Indenture as certified to the Trustee by the Issuer.

Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected thereby, the Holder of each Outstanding Composite Security adversely affected thereby and the Holder of each Preference Share adversely affected thereby, no supplemental indenture shall:

- (i) change the Stated Maturity of the principal of or the due date of any installment of interest on any Note or the Class 1 Component or of any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares Interests, reduce its principal amount or the rate of interest on it, or the Default Interest Rate or the Redemption Price with respect to any Note, the Class 1 Component or Preference Share, or change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Share may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer, change the provisions of this

Indenture relating to the application of proceeds of any Collateral to the payment of principal of or interest on Notes and the application of proceeds of any Class 1 Collateral or Preference Share Component corresponding to their related Components, or to payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, or change any place where, or the coin or currency in which, Notes or their principal or interest are paid or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after their Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the applicable Redemption Date);

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class or Composite Securities or Holders of Preference Shares whose consent is required for the authorization of any such supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of this Indenture or certain defaults under this Indenture or their consequences provided for in this Indenture;

(iii) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on a parity with the lien of this Indenture with respect to any part of the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral or terminate the lien on any property at any time subject hereto or deprive the Holder of any Security of the security afforded by the lien of this Indenture;

(iv) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class whose consent is required to request the Trustee to preserve the Collateral or the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Class 1 Composite Securities whose consent is required to request the Trustee to preserve the Class 1 Collateral or rescind the Trustee's election to preserve the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral, as the case may be, pursuant to Section 5.5 or to sell or liquidate the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral, as the case may be, pursuant to Section 5.4 or 5.5;

(v) modify any of the provisions of this Section, or to provide that certain other provisions of this Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note, Preference Share and Composite Security affected thereby;

(vi) modify the definition of "Outstanding," "Controlling Class," or "Majority," or the Priority of Payments in Section 11.1(a) or Section 13.1; or

(vii) modify any of the provisions of this Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of Redemption Price or of interest or principal on any Note or the Class 1 Component or any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the payment of dividends or other payments on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date (or, with respect to the Preference Share Components, the Composite Securities Payment Date) or to affect the rights of the Holders of Notes or Preference Shares or the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of the Notes, the Class 1 Component or the Preference Shares contained in this Indenture.

Prior to the entry into any supplemental indenture with respect to which a Rating Confirmation for one or more Classes of Notes or Composite Securities is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Note,

each Holder of each Outstanding Composite Security and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) informing them of such fact.

(b) At the cost of the Co-Issuers, for so long as any Securities are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee shall provide to the Rating Agency a copy of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee.

(c) Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.2, the Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail to the Holders of the Securities, the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Securities are Outstanding) a copy of such supplemental indenture and shall request any required consent from the applicable Holders of Securities or Preference Shares to be given within the Initial Consent Period. Any consent given to a proposed supplemental indenture by the Holder of any Securities or Preference Shares, as applicable, shall be irrevocable and binding on all future Holders or beneficial owners of that Security or Preference Share, irrespective of the execution date of the supplemental indenture. If the Holders of less than the required percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the relevant Securities or Preference Shares consent to a proposed supplemental indenture within the Initial Consent Period, on the first Business Day after the Initial Consent Period, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager which Holders of Securities or Preference Shares have consented to the proposed supplemental indenture and, which Holders (and, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the Trustee, which beneficial owners) have not consented to the proposed supplemental indenture. If it intends to exercise its Amendment Buy-Out Option pursuant to Section 9.6, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall so notify the Trustee (which notice shall designate a date for the Amendment Buy-Out to occur no earlier than 10 Business Days after the date of such notice) no later than five (5) Business Days after so being notified by the Trustee and the Trustee shall mail such notice to all Holders of Securities and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares). Any Non-Consenting Holder may give consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture until the 5<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the date of the Amendment Buy-Out designated by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and in such case shall cease to be a Non-Consenting Holder for purposes of the Amendment Buy-Out. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser exercises its Amendment Buy-Out Option and purchases the applicable Securities pursuant to Section 9.6 below, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, as Holder or beneficial owner of the applicable Securities or Preference Shares, may consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture within five (5) Business Days of the Amendment Buy-Out. In the event that the Insurer does not consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture but all of the Holders of the Notes whose consent is required have consented to such proposed supplemental indenture, the Holders of the Insured Notes may, pursuant to Section 16.8, terminate the Policy, upon which, the consent of the Insurer pursuant to this clause (c) shall no longer be required; provided, however, that no such amendment shall decrease the rights of the Insurer (including, but not limited to the right of the Insurer to be reimbursed for Accrued Insurance Liabilities) or increase the duties or obligations of the Insurer, in any case, that survive the termination of the Policy.

(d) It shall not be necessary for any Act of Holders of Securities under this Section 8.2 to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if the Act or consent approves its substance.

(e) The Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail to the Holders of the Securities, the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency a copy of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.2 promptly after its execution by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee. Any failure of the Trustee to mail a copy of any supplemental indenture as provided in this Indenture, or any defect in the mailing, shall not in any way affect the validity of the supplemental indenture.

**Section 8.3. *Execution of Supplemental Indentures.***

In executing or accepting the additional trusts created by any supplemental indenture permitted by this Article 8 or the modifications thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture, the Trustee may receive, and (subject to Sections 6.1 and 6.3) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an Opinion of Counsel stating that the execution of the supplemental indenture is authorized or permitted by this Indenture and that all conditions precedent to the execution of such supplemental indenture have been satisfied. The Trustee may, but shall not be obligated to, enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties, or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise. The Portfolio Manager shall not be bound by any amendment or supplement to this Indenture that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Portfolio Manager unless the Portfolio Manager consents to it in writing, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed. The Portfolio Manager shall follow any amendment or supplement to this Indenture by which it is bound of which it has received written notice from the time it receives a copy of the amendment from the Issuer or the Trustee.

**Section 8.4. *Effect of Supplemental Indentures; Certain Required Consents.***

Upon the execution of any supplemental indenture under this Article 8, this Indenture shall be modified in accordance therewith, and the supplemental indenture shall form a part of this Indenture for all purposes; and the Insurer and every Holder of Securities and Preference Shares theretofore and thereafter authenticated and delivered under this Indenture shall be bound thereby.

Without the approval of each Hedge Counterparty to a then existing Hedge Agreement (so long as the Hedge Counterparty is not in default under any Hedge Agreement to which it is party), no supplemental indenture will be effective, and the Co-Issuers will not consent to any supplemental indenture, that would have a material adverse effect on the Hedge Counterparty. For purposes of this paragraph, any supplemental indenture will be deemed not to have a material adverse effect on the Hedge Counterparty if it does not object within 10 days of delivery of such supplemental indenture by the Trustee.

**Section 8.5. *Reference in Securities to Supplemental Indentures.***

Securities authenticated and delivered after the execution of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Article 8 may, and if required by the Trustee shall, bear a notice in form approved by the Trustee as to any matter provided for in the supplemental indenture. If the Applicable Issuers shall so determine, new Notes and new Composite Securities, so modified as to conform in the opinion of the Trustee and the Co-Issuers to any such supplemental indenture, may be prepared and executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated and delivered by the Trustee in exchange for Outstanding Securities.

Section 8.6. ***Composite Securities.***

For purposes of this Article 8, the Composite Securities shall only be adversely affected or materially and adversely affected, as the context requires, by any proposed supplemental indenture if the Composite Securities would suffer an adverse effect or material adverse effect, as the context requires, that does not arise directly from an adverse effect or material adverse effect suffered by the Preference Shares.

## ARTICLE 9

### REDEMPTION OF NOTES

Section 9.1. ***Mandatory Redemption.***

(a) If either (a) a Coverage Test is not met on any Determination Date or (b) a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, principal payments on the Notes shall be made on the related Payment Date (without payment of any Redemption Price) in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Upon receipt of notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes, at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Securities, then at the direction and in accordance with the instructions of the Portfolio Manager the Trustee shall sell Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for the purpose in the Collection Account will be used to redeem the Notes and the Preference Shares (but only to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Securities) and to pay all administrative and other fees, expenses, and obligations payable under the Priority of Payments. Any sale under this Section shall be conducted in such a manner that:

(i) after giving effect to the sale each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied or, if any Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Overcollateralization Test is not reduced,

(ii) if the sale occurs on or after the second Payment Date, after giving effect to the sale each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied or, if any Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Interest Coverage Test is not reduced, and

(iii) after giving effect to the sale each Collateral Quality Test is satisfied or, if any Collateral Quality Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Collateral Quality Test is not reduced.

(b) The Preference Shares will be redeemed in whole in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents on any Payment Date (or, with respect to the Preference Share Components, the Composite Securities Payment Date) on which a mandatory redemption of the Notes pursuant to Section 9.1(a) results in the payment in full of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes.



Section 9.2. ***Optional Redemption.***

(a) Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the Notes shall be redeemed by the Applicable Issuers, in whole but not in part, on any Payment Date from Principal Proceeds and all other funds available for that purpose in the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account at the direction of the Holders of at least 63% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Preference Shares, which direction must be given to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer, the Insurer and the Portfolio Manager not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made, at the applicable Redemption Price (exclusive of installments of interest and principal maturing on or before that date, payment of which shall have been made or duly provided for, to the Holders of the Notes on relevant Record Dates or as otherwise provided in this Indenture). All Notes must be simultaneously redeemed, and any termination payments pursuant to Hedge Agreements must be paid.

Upon receipt of a notice of redemption pursuant to this Section 9.2(a), the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Management Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer, direct the sale of the Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for such purpose in the Collection Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account will be at least sufficient to redeem all of the Notes and to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations. If, in the Portfolio Manager's reasonable discretion, the sale would not be sufficient to redeem the Notes, and to pay the fees, expenses, and obligations, the Notes shall not be redeemed.

Upon any redemption pursuant to this Section 9.2(a), the Issuer shall, at least 30 days before the Redemption Date (unless the Trustee shall agree to a shorter notice period), notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Insurer and each Rating Agency of the Redemption Date, the applicable Record Date, the principal amount of Notes to be redeemed on the Redemption Date, and the applicable Redemption Prices.

(b) On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, all administrative and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture and the Insurance Documents to the Insurer, and all amounts owing under this Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged,

(i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings or

(ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, voting as a single Class or group, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in

redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such direction.

Upon the occurrence of a redemption of the Preference Shares pursuant to this Section 9.2, in whole or in part, the Class 1 Components shall be redeemed by the Issuer, in whole but not in part, on the related Composite Securities Payment Date from the Class 1 Collateral available for that purpose in the Class 1 Component Account at the applicable Redemption Price. All Class 1 Components must be simultaneously redeemed. Upon any redemption of the Class 1 Components, the Holders of Class 1 Composite Securities shall receive the Redemption Price as a distribution in kind of a *pro rata* share (based on the Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance) of each item of the Class 1 Collateral.

Upon a distribution pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(i), the Portfolio Manager will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Management Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer (and subject to Section 9.2(b)(ii)), direct the sale of all remaining Collateral Obligations. Upon a distribution pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii), the Portfolio Manager will effect the sale of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares.

Section 9.3. ***Redemption Procedures.***

(a) Upon any redemption pursuant to Section 9.2, a notice of redemption shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days and not earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date, to the Insurer, each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of DTC, Euroclear, and Clearstream, as applicable, to the Holders of the Composite Securities and to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), and (in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a)) to each Rating Agency. In addition, for so long as any Securities are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of redemption of Securities pursuant to Section 9.2 shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

(b) All notices of redemption delivered pursuant to Section 9.3(a) shall state:

- (i) the applicable Redemption Date;
- (ii) the Redemption Price of the Notes or the Class 1 Component to be redeemed (in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a));
- (iii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), that all of the Notes, are to be redeemed in full and that interest on the Notes to be redeemed shall cease to accrue on the Payment Date specified in the notice; and
- (iv) the places where Securities to be redeemed in whole are to be surrendered for payment of the Redemption Price, which shall be the office or agency of the Co-Issuers to be maintained as provided in Section 7.2 and, so long as any Securities to be redeemed are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Listing and Paying Agent.

Any such notice of redemption may be withdrawn by the Issuer up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Trustee, the Insurer and the Portfolio Manager only if:

(A) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), the Portfolio Manager does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications (described in Section 9.3(c) and 12.1(f)), as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee,

(B) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i), the Issuer receives the written direction of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption delivered by a percentage of the Preference Shares requesting redemption under Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i), as applicable, and

(C) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii), the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer hereby agrees for the benefit of the directing person to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (B) or this clause (C)).

Notice of any withdrawal shall be sent, not later than the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date (assuming that the Trustee has received timely written notice from the Issuer as provided above), by the Trustee, to each Holder of Securities scheduled to be redeemed at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery (or, to the extent the address contained in the Indenture Register is not sufficient for that purpose, by first class mail) and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares). If the Issuer so withdraws any notice of redemption or is otherwise unable to complete any redemption of the Notes, the Sale Proceeds received from the sale of any Collateral Obligations sold pursuant to Sections 9.2 and 12.1(f) may, during the Reinvestment Period (and, in respect of Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations, after the Reinvestment Period) at the Portfolio Manager's discretion, be reinvested in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria.

Notice of redemption shall be given by the Co-Issuers or, upon an Issuer Order, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Co-Issuers. Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Security selected for redemption or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Securities or Preference Shares.

(c) The Notes may not be redeemed pursuant to Section 9.2(a) unless either of the following conditions are satisfied:

(i) At least ten Business Days before the Redemption Date, the Portfolio Manager shall have furnished to the Trustee evidence (in form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee) that the Issuer has entered into a binding agreements (with a financial or other institution or entity whose short-term unsecured debt obligations (other than obligations whose rating is based on the credit of a person other than the institution) have a credit rating of at least "A-1" from S&P and of "P-1" (and not on credit watch

for possible downgrade) from Moody's (or to any other institution or entity if the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's is satisfied with respect to the other entity)) to sell to the financial or other institutions, not later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date in immediately available funds, all or part of the Collateral (directly or by participation or other arrangement) at a Purchase Price at least equal to an amount sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations (including the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture and the Insurance Agreement to the Insurer, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties, and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices; or

(ii) Before entering into any binding agreement to sell all or a portion of the Collateral and selling or terminating any Hedge Agreement, the Portfolio Manager shall have certified that, in its commercially reasonable judgment, the settlement dates of the sales will be scheduled to occur on or before the Business Day before the Redemption Date and that the expected proceeds from the sales are to be delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date, in immediately available funds, in an amount (calculated as applicable in the manner provided below) sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture and the Insurance Documents to the Insurer, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties, and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices. For purposes of this paragraph, the amount shall be calculated with respect to the classes of Collateral listed in the table below by multiplying the expected proceeds of sale of the Collateral by the indicated percentage in the table below.

		<u>Number of Business Days Between Certification to the Trustee and Sale</u>			
		<u>Same Day</u>	<u>1 to 2</u>	<u>3 to 5</u>	<u>6 to 15</u>
1	Cash or other Eligible Investments	100%	100%	100%	100%
2	Loans (other than 5 below)	100%	93%	92%	88%
3	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations (in each case, other than 4 below)	100%	89%	85%	75%
4	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations, in each case with a Moody's Rating of "B3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "B3"	100%	75%	65%	55%
5	Synthetic Securities	100%	65%	55%	35%

Number of Business Days Between  
Certification to the Trustee and Sale

Same Day    1 to 2    3 to 5    6 to 15

Any certification delivered pursuant to this Section 9.3(c) shall include (A) the prices of, and expected proceeds from, the sale of any Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, or Hedge Agreements and (B) all calculations required by this Section 9.3(c).

Section 9.4.    ***Notes Payable on Redemption Date.***

(a) Notice of redemption pursuant to Section 9.3 having been given as aforesaid, the Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at the Redemption Price therein specified and from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Redemption Price and accrued interest) the Notes shall cease to bear interest on the Redemption Date. Upon final payment on a Note to be so redeemed, the Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the place specified in the notice of redemption on or before the Redemption Date unless the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and (in the case of the Class A-1g Notes) the Insurer, receive the security or indemnity required by them to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the Note, and in the absence of notice to the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and (in the case of the Class A-1g Notes) the Insurer, that the applicable Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender. If a Component is to be redeemed, the related Composite Security does not need to be surrendered at the office of any paying agent under this Indenture to receive the applicable Redemption Price. Payments of interest on Notes so to be redeemed whose Stated Maturity is on or before the Redemption Date shall be payable to the Holders of the Notes, or one or more predecessor Notes, registered as such at the close of business on the relevant Record Date if the Record Date is a Business Day (or, if the Record Date is not a Business Day, the close of business on the Business Day before the Record Date) according to Section 2.8(e).

(b) If any Note called for redemption is not paid on its surrender for redemption, its principal shall bear interest from the Redemption Date at the Applicable Note Interest Rate for each successive Interest Period the Note remains Outstanding if the reason for the non-payment is not the fault of the Holder of the Note.

Section 9.5.    ***Special Redemption.***

Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in whole or in part, at par, in accordance with the Priority of Payments if, at any time during the Reinvestment Period, the Portfolio Manager elects (subject to the Management Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the investment or reinvestment of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be invested in additional Collateral Obligations (a "***Special Redemption***").

On the first Payment Date following the Due Period for which the notice is effective (a "***Special Redemption Date***"), the funds in the Collection Account or the Payment Account representing Principal Proceeds that, by operation of the preceding paragraph, are not reinvested in additional Collateral Obligations (the "***Special Redemption Amount***") will be available to be

applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments under Section 11.1(a)(ii). Notice of payments pursuant to this Section 9.5 shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than three Business Days before the applicable Special Redemption Date, to the Insurer and each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of DTC. In addition, for so long as any Securities are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of redemption of Securities pursuant to Section 9.2 shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

Section 9.6. ***Amendment Buy-Out.***

(a) In the case of any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities or Preference Shares, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Securities or Preference Shares held by such Holders of the Class of Securities or Preference Shares whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture (the "***Amendment Buy-Out Option***") for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all such Securities or Preference Shares of Non-Consenting Holders, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities or Preference Shares the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an "***Amendment Buy-Out***"). By its acceptance of its Securities or Preference Shares hereunder, each Holder of Securities or Preference Shares agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its applicable Securities or Preference Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser; provided that, if the solicited consent to a supplemental indenture only applies to one Component of a Composite Security, the Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell, at the Non-Consenting Holder's option, its Composite Security as a whole. Neither the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser nor any other Person shall have any liability to any Holder or beneficial owner of Securities or Preference Shares as a result of an election by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser not to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option.

(b) All purchases made pursuant to an Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Securities or Preference Shares set forth herein and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

Section 9.7. ***Removal Buy-Out.***

(a) In the case of any proposed removal of the Portfolio Manager relating to the occurrence of an Event of Default described in Section 5.1(d), pursuant to the first paragraph of Section 14 of the Management Agreement, the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from the Holders of the Class A-1g Notes, all Class A-1g Notes (the "***Removal Buy-Out Option***") for the applicable Removal Buy-Out Purchase Price. If such option is exercised, the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all such Class A-1g Notes, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class required to remove the Portfolio Manager under the first paragraph of Section 14 of the Management Agreement (a "***Removal Buy-Out***"). By its acceptance of the Class A-1g Notes hereunder, each Holder of Class A-1g Notes agrees that if the Removal Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Holder of Class A-1g Notes will be required to sell its applicable

Class A-1g Notes to the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser. Neither the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser nor any other Person shall have any liability to any Holder or beneficial owner of Class A-1g Notes as a result of an election by the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser not to exercise the Removal Buy-Out Option.

(b) All purchases made pursuant to a Removal Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the Class A-1g Notes set forth herein and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

(c) Upon the effectiveness of the Removal Buy-Out, the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser shall be deemed to have exercised its right, without any further action or notice to any Person, to terminate the Policy pursuant to Section 16.8 hereof.

## ARTICLE 10

### ACCOUNTS, ACCOUNTINGS, AND RELEASES

#### Section 10.1. *Collection of Money.*

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, the Trustee may demand payment or delivery of, and shall receive and collect, directly and without intervention or assistance of any fiscal agent or other intermediary, all money and other property payable to or receivable by the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture, including all payments due on the Pledged Obligations, in accordance with the terms of the Pledged Obligations. The Trustee shall segregate and hold all money and property received by it in trust for the Secured Parties and shall apply it as provided in this Indenture. Any Account may contain any number of sub-accounts for the convenience of the Trustee or as required by the Portfolio Manager for convenience in administering the Accounts, the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral.

#### Section 10.2. *Collection Account.*

(a) Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Collection Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, and into which the Trustee shall from time to time deposit, in addition to the deposits required pursuant to Section 10.7(e), immediately upon the Trustee's receipt thereof:

(i) any funds transferred from (1) the Closing Date Expense Account pursuant to Section 10.3(g) or (2) the Interest Reserve Account pursuant to Section 10.3(i),

(ii) all Principal Proceeds (unless (1) simultaneously reinvested in Collateral Obligations in accordance with Article 12, (2) deposited into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or (3) posted by the Issuer as cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security or in Eligible Investments) received by the Trustee,

(iii) all Interest Proceeds received by the Trustee (unless simultaneously reinvested in accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations in accordance with Article 12 or in Eligible Investments), and

(iv) all other funds received by the Trustee and not excluded above.

In addition to the items described above, the Issuer may, but under no circumstances shall be required to, deposit from time to time any monies, securities and other instruments in the Collection Account it deems, in its sole discretion, to be advisable (and may designate any amounts deposited pursuant to this sentence as Principal Proceeds or Interest Proceeds in its discretion). Any Principal Proceeds received during the Reinvestment Period, and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments received after the Reinvestment Period, which have not been reinvested in additional Collateral Obligations on the Business Day of receipt shall be deposited in the Collection Account and shall at the direction of the Portfolio Manager be applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the other requirements set forth herein or the purchase of Eligible Investments pending such investment or used to enter into additional Hedge Agreements or used in connection with a Special Redemption. Principal Proceeds (other than Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments) received after the Reinvestment Period shall be deposited into the Collection Account and applied to the purchase of Eligible Investments. All monies deposited from time to time in the Collection Account pursuant to this Indenture shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and shall be applied to the purposes provided in this Indenture. Amounts in the Collection Account shall be reinvested pursuant to Section 10.4(a).

(b) Within one Business Day after receipt of any distribution or other proceeds of the Collateral that are not Cash, the Trustee shall so notify the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager. Within five Business Days of receipt of the notice from the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, shall sell the distribution or other proceeds for Cash in an arm's length transaction to a person that is not the Portfolio Manager or an Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager and deposit its proceeds in the Collection Account. The Issuer need not sell the distributions or other proceeds if it delivers an Issuer Order or an Officer's certificate to the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager certifying that the distributions or other proceeds are Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, or Workout Assets.

(c) During the Reinvestment Period (or, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations, after the Reinvestment Period), at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall withdraw funds on deposit in the Collection Account representing Principal Proceeds (and, to the extent expressly provided in this Indenture, Interest Proceeds) and reinvest (or invest, in the case of funds referred to in Section 7.19) the funds in Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), in each case in accordance with the requirements of Article 12 and the Issuer Order.

(d) At any time during or after the Reinvestment Period, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall, pay from amounts on deposit in the Collection Account on any Business Day during any Interest Period from Interest Proceeds only, any Administrative



Expenses that require payment before the next Payment Date to the extent that the amount of the payments does not exceed the aggregate amount that may be paid on the next Payment Date under, and at the level of priority specified by, Section 11.1(a)(i)(1).

(e) The Trustee shall transfer to the Payment Account from the Collection Account for application pursuant to Section 11.1(a) or 11.2, as applicable, on or not later than the Business Day preceding each Payment Date, the amount set forth to be so transferred in the Valuation Report for the Payment Date.

### Section 10.3. *Other Accounts.*

(a) *Custodial Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated trust account that shall be designated as the Custodial Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, and into which the Trustee shall deposit the Collateral Obligations and other Collateral not deposited elsewhere in accordance with this Indenture (other than Loans, Participations and general intangibles, which in the case of Loans and Participations, shall be held by the Trustee as provided in Section 3.2). All assets or securities at any time on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Custodial Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties. The only permitted withdrawals from the Custodial Account shall be in accordance with this Indenture. The Co-Issuers shall not have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Custodial Account other than in accordance with Section 3.2 and the Priority of Payments.

(b) *Revolving Reserve Account and Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish (i) a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account which shall be designated as the Revolving Reserve Account and (ii) a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, each of which shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. Upon the purchase of any Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee shall deposit Principal Proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account, in the case of a Revolving Loan, and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, in the case of a Delayed Drawdown Loan, each equal to the unfunded Commitment Amount of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, respectively, and the Principal Proceeds so deposited shall be considered part of the Purchase Price of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan for purposes of Article 12. At the direction of the Portfolio Manager at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period, the Trustee shall withdraw funds from the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to fund extensions of credit pursuant to Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans, respectively. In addition, to the extent that the Issuer receives proceeds of a repayment in respect of a Revolving Loan (except to the extent of any concurrent Commitment Reduction) at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period, the Trustee shall deposit the proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account. Upon the sale of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan in whole or in part or the reduction in part or termination of the Issuer's commitment thereunder, an amount on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, as the case may be, specified by the Portfolio Manager as being equal to:

- (i) the unfunded amount of the commitment (in the case of a sale in whole or a termination of the commitment),

(ii) the proportionate amount of the amount on deposit (in the case of a sale in part), or

(iii) the amount by which the commitment is reduced (in the case of a reduction thereof in part),

shall be transferred by the Trustee to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds. Amounts on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account shall be reinvested pursuant to Section 10.4(b). All interest and other income from amounts in the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.4(b) shall be considered Interest Proceeds in the Due Period in which they are so deposited.

(c) *Expense Reimbursement Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Expense Reimbursement Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On any Payment Date and on any date between Payment Dates, the Trustee will apply amounts, if any, in the Expense Reimbursement Account to the payment of expenses and fees that must be paid between Payment Dates or that are due on that Payment Date under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) and the Trustee shall on any Payment Date transfer to the Expense Reimbursement Account an amount equal to the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts due under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) to the Expense Reimbursement Account in accordance with Section 11.1(a)(i)(2). Funds in the Expense Reimbursement Account shall be invested in accordance with Section 10.4(a).

(d) *Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties (other than the Hedge Counterparty pledging the Collateral), over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. The Trustee shall deposit all collateral received from a Hedge Counterparty under any Hedge Agreement into the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account shall be:

(i) for application to obligations of the relevant Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer under a Hedge Agreement if the Hedge Agreement becomes subject to early termination, or

(ii) to return collateral to the relevant Hedge Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Hedge Agreement, in each case as directed by the Portfolio Manager.

Amounts on deposit in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account shall be reinvested pursuant to Section 10.4(a) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(e) *Synthetic Security Collateral Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee

for the benefit of the Secured Parties over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal, and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Synthetic Security and delivers a copy of it to the Trustee, the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the Synthetic Security Collateral Account with respect to the Synthetic Security.

All Synthetic Security Collateral posted by any Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Synthetic Security shall be immediately deposited into the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Synthetic Security. On each day on which amounts are payable to the Issuer out of Synthetic Security Collateral, the Issuer by Issuer Order shall direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, withdraw amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in an amount sufficient to make the payment as provided in the Issuer Order (including any total or partial release of Synthetic Security Collateral). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be (i) for application to the obligations of the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty under a Synthetic Security Agreement or (ii) to return Synthetic Security Collateral to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty at the termination of the relevant Synthetic Security Agreement or as otherwise required by the Synthetic Security Agreement, in each case as directed by the Portfolio Manager.

Amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be reinvested pursuant to Section 10.4(b) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(f) *Securities Lending Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Securities Lending Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal, and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Securities Lending Agreement and delivers a copy of it to the Trustee, the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the Securities Lending Account with respect to the Securities Lending Agreement. All Securities Lending Collateral posted by any Securities Lending Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Securities Lending Agreement shall be immediately deposited into the Securities Lending Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Securities Lending Agreement. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Securities Lending Account shall be:

(i) for application to obligations of the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty to the Issuer under a Securities Lending Agreement if the Securities Lending Agreement becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the related Securities Lending Agreement upon any "event of default" under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement, including liquidating the related Securities Lending Collateral, or

(ii) to return the Securities Lending Collateral to the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Securities Lending Agreement, in each case as directed by the Portfolio Manager.

Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be reinvested pursuant to Section 10.4(c). To the extent provided in a Securities Lending Agreement, earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be payable by the Issuer to the related Securities Lending Counterparty.

Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the loaned security or asset that relates to the Securities Lending Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer.

(g) *Closing Date Expense Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Closing Date Expense Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On the Closing Date, the Trustee, at the direction of the Issuer, shall deposit into the Closing Date Expense Account approximately U.S.\$18,300,000 from the gross proceeds of the Offering. At any time before the earlier of (i) the Ramp-Up Completion Date and (ii) the Payment Date in November 2005, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall, pay from amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account any applicable fees and expenses of the Offering. On the Payment Date in November 2005, the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds and close the Closing Date Expense Account.

Amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account shall be reinvested pursuant to Section 10.4(a) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(h) *Payment Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Payment Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Payment Account shall be to pay amounts due and payable on the Notes and Composite Securities in accordance with their terms and the provisions of this Indenture and to pay Administrative Expenses, Premium, Accrued Insurance Liabilities and other amounts specified in this Indenture, each in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Co-Issuers shall not have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Payment Account other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

(i) *Interest Reserve Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Interest Reserve Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On the Closing Date, the Trustee, at the direction of the Issuer, shall deposit into the Interest Reserve Account approximately U.S.\$2,000,000 from the gross proceeds of the Offering. At any time on or before the earlier of (i) the Ramp-Up Completion Date and (ii) the Payment Date in November 2005, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall, pay from amounts on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account an amount necessary such that the amounts referred to in Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) through (14) will be paid in full on each Payment Date occurring on or before the Payment Date in November 2005. On the Payment Date in

November 2005, the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account (after application of any monies therefrom on such date) to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds and close the Interest Reserve Account. Amounts on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account shall be reinvested pursuant to Section 10.4(a).

(j) *Class 1 Component Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Class 1 Component Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, and into which the Trustee shall deposit the United States Treasury strip security maturing on November 15, 2016 paying a principal amount at maturity equal to the original principal amount of the Class 1 Composite Securities specified in Section 2.3 (the "**Treasury Strip**"), which Treasury Strip shall be delivered to the Trustee by the Issuer on the Closing Date. All assets or securities at any time on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Class 1 Component Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities. The only permitted withdrawals from the Class 1 Component Account shall be in accordance with this Indenture. None of the Co-Issuers, the Noteholders, the Holders of Preference Shares (other than the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities, to the extent of their Preference Share Components) or any other Secured Party shall have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Class 1 Component Account.

(k) In addition to any deposit, withdrawal, transfer or other application of funds with respect to any Account set forth in this Section 10.3 or in Section 10.2, any deposit, withdrawal, transfer or other application of funds with respect to any Account authorized elsewhere in this Indenture is hereby authorized pursuant to this Section 10.3.

(l) In order to comply with its obligations under the USA Patriot Act of 2001, if any, the Trustee shall be entitled to request and verify, and the Noteholders, beneficial owners, the Co-Issuers and other parties related to this Indenture shall be obligated to provide to the Trustee all the necessary information required by the USA Patriot Act of 2001.

#### Section 10.4. ***Reinvestment of Funds in Accounts; Reports by Trustee.***

(a) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall at all times before an Event of Default occurs, direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, invest all funds on deposit in the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account as so directed in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. All investments on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any investments. Before an Event of Default occurs, if the Issuer has not given investment directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Portfolio Manager within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Date Expense Account or the Interest Reserve Account. If the Trustee does not receive written instructions from the Portfolio Manager within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall invest and reinvest the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (c) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. After an Event of Default occurs, if the Issuer does not give investment directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall

invest and reinvest the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (c) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing not later than the earlier of (i) 30 days after the date of the investment or (ii) the Business Day before the next Payment Date. All interest and other income from the investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from the investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from the investments shall be charged to the Collection Account. Subject to Section 6.6, the Trustee shall not in any way be held liable for the selection of investments or because of any insufficiency of the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Date Expense Account or the Interest Reserve Account or any other account that results from any loss relating to any such investment.

(b) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall at all times direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, invest all funds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, and the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities not later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase. All investments on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any investments. If before an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give investment directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Portfolio Manager within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account. If the Trustee does not thereupon receive written instructions from the Portfolio Manager within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall invest and reinvest the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that are overnight funds. If after an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give investment directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall invest and reinvest the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that are overnight funds. All interest and other income from the investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from the investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from the investments shall be charged to the Collection Account.

(c) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall at all times direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, invest all funds on deposit in the Securities Lending Account in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. All investments on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any investments. The interest on the Eligible Investments shall be allocated between the Issuer and the Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the related Securities Lending Agreement. If before an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give investment directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Portfolio Manager within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Securities Lending Account. If the Trustee does not thereupon receive written instructions from the Portfolio Manager within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall invest and reinvest the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that mature no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. If after an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give investment directions to the Trustee for three

consecutive days, the Trustee shall invest and reinvest the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. All interest and other income from the investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from the investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from the investments shall be charged to the Collection Account.

(d) The Trustee agrees to give the Issuer notice as soon as reasonably practicable if a Trust Officer obtains actual knowledge that any Account or any funds on deposit in any Account, or otherwise to the credit of an Account, shall become subject to any writ, order, judgment, warrant of attachment, execution, or similar process. All Accounts shall remain at all times with the Custodian or a financial institution having a long-term debt rating of at least "Baa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) by Moody's and at least "BBB+" by S&P and having combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000 that has entered into a securities account control agreement substantially in the form of Exhibit G.

(e) The Trustee shall supply, in a timely fashion, to the Co-Issuers and the Portfolio Manager any information regularly maintained by the Trustee that the Co-Issuers or the Portfolio Manager may from time to time request with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the Accounts, the Class 1 Collateral and the Collateral and provide any other requested information reasonably available to the Trustee because of its acting as Trustee under this Indenture and required to be provided by Section 10.6, to permit the Portfolio Manager to perform its obligations under the Management Agreement or is required pursuant to the Insurance Agreement. The Trustee shall promptly forward to the Portfolio Manager copies of notices and other writings received by it from the issuer of any Collateral Obligation or from any Clearing Agency with respect to any Collateral Obligation which notices or writings advise the holders of the security of any rights that the holders might have with respect to the Collateral Obligation (including requests to vote with respect to amendments or waivers and notices of prepayments and redemptions) as well as all periodic financial reports received from the issuer and Clearing Agencies with respect to the issuer.

(f) To the extent monies deposited in any Account exceed amounts insured by the Bank Insurance Fund or Savings Association Insurance Fund administered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, or any agencies succeeding to its insurance functions, and are not fully collateralized by direct obligations of the United States of America, the excess shall be invested in Eligible Investments as described above.

#### Section 10.5. ***Synthetic Security Counterparty Account.***

(a) To the extent that any Synthetic Security requires the Issuer to secure its obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee and the Trustee shall establish a segregated non-interest bearing trust account for the Synthetic Security which shall be held in trust for the benefit of the related Synthetic Security Counterparty and over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and this Indenture (a "***Synthetic Security Counterparty Account***"). In the alternative, a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account may be established with a trustee designated by the Synthetic Security Counterparty if that trustee would qualify to be a successor trustee under Section 6.8 and the account satisfies the other requirements of this Section.

As directed in writing by the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee shall deposit (or deliver for deposit) into each Synthetic Security Counterparty Account all amounts or securities that are required to secure the obligations of the Issuer in accordance with the related Synthetic Security, including the entire notional amount of any Synthetic Security in the form of a credit default swap or other similar transaction. The Portfolio Manager shall direct any such deposit only during the Reinvestment Period and only to the extent that monies are available for the purchase of Collateral Obligations pursuant to this Indenture. Any income received on amounts in the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall, after application in accordance with the relevant Synthetic Security, be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Interest Proceeds.

(b) As directed by the Portfolio Manager in writing and in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and this Indenture, amounts on deposit in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be invested in Synthetic Security Collateral.

(c) In connection with the occurrence of a credit event or an event of default or a termination event (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security) under the related Synthetic Security, amounts in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be withdrawn by the Trustee (or the Trustee shall request their withdrawal) and applied toward the payment of any amounts payable by the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the Synthetic Security, as directed by the Portfolio Manager in writing. Any excess amounts held in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, or held directly by a Synthetic Security Counterparty, after payment of all amounts owing from the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the related Synthetic Security shall be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Principal Proceeds.

(d) Amounts on deposit in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the Synthetic Security that relates to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer (with the notional amount as the Principal Balance unless a default exists under the applicable Synthetic Security).

#### Section 10.6. *Accountings.*

(a) *Monthly.* Commencing the earlier of (a) the first full month after the Ramp-Up Completion Date and (b) the month ending June, 2005, (i) in the case of a month in which there is no Payment Date, not later than the eighth Business Day after the last calendar day of such month and (ii) in the case of a month in which there is a Payment Date, on such Payment Date, the Issuer shall cause to be compiled and provided to the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Insurer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares), the Initial Purchaser, each Hedge Counterparty, the Rating Agencies, (if so requested by the Initial Purchaser) the Repository in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(viii) or each Holder of a Security who makes a written request therefor, and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, the Beneficial Owner (or its designee), a monthly report (the "**Monthly Report**"). Each Monthly Report shall be accompanied by a Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice. The Monthly Report shall contain the following information, determined as of (1) in the case of a month in which there is no Payment Date, the last day of the applicable month and (2) in the case of a month in which there is a Payment Date, the Determination Date for such Payment Date, based in part on information provided by the Portfolio Manager (the "**Monthly Determination Date**"):



(i) *Portfolio:*

(A) The Aggregate Principal Balance (and, in the case of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its funded and unfunded amount), interest rate, Stated Maturity, and obligor of each Collateral Obligation;

(B) The stated principal balance of Defaulted Collateral Obligations;

(C) The identity of all Collateral Obligations and all obligations that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange do not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that were released for sale or other disposition (and, for each obligation sold, indicating whether sold as a Credit Risk Obligation, a Credit Improved Obligation, a Current-Pay Obligation, a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, a Workout Asset, or an obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation or whether sold in connection with any withholding tax pursuant to Section 12.1(e) or sold as a discretionary sale pursuant to Section 12.1(h)); and the identity of all Collateral Obligations that were acquired, in each case since the date of the previous Monthly Report;

(D) The obligor of each Workout Asset;

(E) The Purchase Price of each Collateral Obligation acquired, the sale price of each Collateral Obligation sold (or the adjusted purchase or sale price with respect to any exchange of securities requiring an allocation by the Portfolio Manager) since the date of the previous Monthly Report, and the gain or loss (measured against its Purchase Price) on each sale;

(F) The identity of each Collateral Obligation (1) that is a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, a Workout Asset or a PIK Security, and in the case of a PIK Security (i) the principal amount of previously deferred or capitalized interest and (ii) the change in the principal amount of previously deferred or capitalized interest since the most recent Monthly Report or (2) in respect of which an obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation has been received, in each case indicating the date of such default, as applicable, and reporting any Other Indebtedness, as defined in clause (ii) in the definition of "Defaulted Collateral Obligation," that the Portfolio Manager has determined not to be material;

(G) The S&P Industry Classification and the Moody's Industry Classification for each Collateral Obligation and the five highest concentrations of Collateral Obligations in the Moody's Industry Classification groups and the five highest concentrations of Collateral Obligations in the S&P Industry Classification groups;

(H) For each Collateral Obligation, the country of the obligor (and the related foreign currency debt rating) and, in the case of a country other than the United States of America, whether the obligor is Domiciled in a Moody's

Group I Country, Moody's Group II Country, or Moody's Group III Country and the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations issued by issuers in the applicable country;

(I) For each Collateral Obligation, the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate and S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate;

(J) For each Collateral Obligation, the S&P Rating, and if any S&P Rating for any Collateral Obligation in any Monthly Report is a credit estimate, "non-public" rating or "shadow" rating, the rating shall not be disclosed, but shall be replaced with an asterisk in the place of the applicable credit estimate, "non-public" rating or "shadow" rating;

(K) For each Collateral Obligation, the Moody's Rating and the Moody's Rating Factor, determined, for this purpose, and set forth both with and without regard to whether the Collateral Obligation has been put on watch for possible upgrade or downgrade, and if any Moody's Rating for any Collateral Obligation in any Monthly Report is an "estimated" or "shadow" rating, the rating shall not be disclosed, but shall be replaced with an asterisk in the place of the applicable "estimated" or "shadow" rating;

(L) The Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that have a Moody's Rating of "Caa1" or lower;

(M) The Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that have an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower;

(N) For each Collateral Obligation that is a Participation or a Synthetic Security or is loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement, the related Secondary Risk Counterparty and each Rating Agency's long-term unsecured debt rating of the Secondary Risk Counterparty;

(O) Certain S&P benchmarks relating to the portfolio as provided by S&P in the S&P CDO Monitor, including (1) S&P Default Measure (Annualized Portfolio Default Rate), (2) S&P Variability Measure (Annualized Standard Deviation of Portfolio Default Rate), (3) S&P Correlation Measure (Ratio of Standard Deviation of Portfolio with Correlation to Standard Deviation of Portfolio without Correlation), and (4) Weighted Average Default Correlation;

(P) The identity and Market Value of each Collateral Obligation whose Market Value (in the determination of the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator) was determined pursuant to last proviso in the definition of "Market Value";

(Q) The identity of each Collateral Obligation participated from or entered into with a Secondary Risk Counterparty; and

(R) The identity of each Collateral Obligation owned by the Issuer that has not been disposed of within the time limits required by this Indenture.

(ii) *Accounts:*

(A) The amount of any proceeds in the Collection Account, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds (excluding Uninvested Proceeds), and Uninvested Proceeds;

(B) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Revolving Reserve Account;

(C) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account;

(D) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account;

(E) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Securities Lending Account; and

(F) The amount of any proceeds in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account;

(iii) *Hedge Agreements:*

(A) The outstanding notional amount of each Hedge Agreement; and

(B) The amount scheduled to be received and paid by the Issuer pursuant to each Hedge Agreement on the next Payment Date (as specified by the calculation agent under each Hedge Agreement);

(iv) *Coverage Tests, Collateral Quality Tests and Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test:*

(A) The Overcollateralization Ratios and the Overcollateralization Ratios as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date; a statement as to whether each of the Overcollateralization Tests is satisfied and a statement as to whether the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test is satisfied;

(B) The Interest Coverage Ratios and, on and after the second Payment Date, a statement as to whether each of the Interest Coverage Tests is satisfied;

(C) The Diversity Score and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Diversity Test is satisfied;

(D) The Weighted Average Life of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied;

(E) The Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate, the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion

Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test with respect to the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate and Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test with respect to the S&P Minimum Average Recovery Rate is satisfied;

(F) The Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied and a statement as to the amount of Spread Excess was used to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test;

(G) The Weighted Average Spread of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied and a statement as to the amount of Fixed Rate Excess was used to satisfy the Weighted Average Spread Test;

(H) The Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied; and

(I) The S&P CDO Monitor Test and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied and the Class Scenario Loss Rate and the then applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate with respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P and the adjusted Weighted Average Spread level determined as set forth in the definition of "Note Break-Even Loss Rate";

(v) *Concentration Limitations and Withholding Taxes:*

(A) The percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount itemized against each element of the Concentration Limitations and a statement as to whether each Concentration Limitation is satisfied; and

(B) Any withholding tax on payments under any Collateral Obligation;

(vi) *Securities Lending Agreements:*

(A) Each Collateral Obligation loaned or borrowed pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and the percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount that represents Collateral Obligations that are loaned or borrowed pursuant to Securities Lending Agreements; and

(B) With respect to each Securities Lending Agreement in effect as of the Monthly Determination Date, a list setting forth:

(1) for each Collateral Obligation loaned or borrowed under it as of the first day of the loan, (x) its Principal Balance, (y) its Market Value, and (z) its Principal Balance expressed as a percentage of the Maximum Investment Amount,

- (2) the term of the loan of the Collateral Obligation,
- (3) the expiration date of the Securities Lending Agreement,
- (4) the Moody's Rating and S&P Rating for each loaned or borrowed Collateral Obligation,
- (5) the principal amount of the related Securities Lending Collateral held in the Securities Lending Account, and
- (6) the Eligible Investments held as Securities Lending Collateral pursuant to the related Securities Lending Agreement; and
- (vii) Any other information the Trustee reasonably requests.

Upon receipt of each Monthly Report, the Trustee shall compare the information contained in the Monthly Report to the information contained in its records with respect to the Collateral and shall, within three Business Days after receipt of such Monthly Report, notify the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Portfolio Manager if the information contained in the Monthly Report does not conform to the information maintained by the Trustee with respect to the Collateral, and shall detail any discrepancies. In the event that any discrepancy exists, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Portfolio Manager shall attempt to resolve the discrepancy. If such discrepancy cannot be promptly resolved, the Trustee shall within five Business Days after notification of such discrepancy cause the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8 to review such Monthly Report and the Trustee's records to determine the cause of such discrepancy. If such review reveals an error in the Monthly Report or the Trustee's records, the Monthly Report or the Trustee's records shall be revised accordingly and, as so revised, shall be used in making all calculations pursuant to this Indenture and notice of any error in the Monthly Report shall be sent as soon as practicable by the Issuer to all recipients of the report. If the review by the Independent accountants does not resolve the discrepancy, the Trustee, upon receipt of an Officer's certificate of the Portfolio Manager certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Portfolio Manager, the information contained in the related Monthly Report is correct, shall conform the information it maintains to the Monthly Report received.

(b) *Payment Date Accounting.* The Issuer shall cause to be rendered an accounting report (the "**Valuation Report**"), determined as of the close of business on each Determination Date, and provided to the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Insurer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares), the Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, each Hedge Counterparty, the Rating Agencies, each Noteholder, each Composite Securityholder, (if so requested by the Initial Purchaser) the Repository in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(viii), and upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner and the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) not later than the second Business Day preceding the related Payment Date. Each Valuation Report shall be accompanied by a Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice. The Valuation Report shall contain the following information as of the related Payment Date (unless otherwise stated), based in part on information provided by the Portfolio Manager:

- (i) *Securities:*

(A) The amount of principal payments to be made on each Class of Notes and Composite Securities on the related Payment Date;

(B) The Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes and Composite Securities after giving effect to any principal payments on the related Payment Date and, for each Class of Securities, the percentage of its initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount that amount represents;

(C) For each Class of Securities, the percentage of the initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all of the Securities that its initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount represented and, after giving effect to any principal payments on the related Payment Date, the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all of the Securities that its Aggregate Outstanding Amount represents;

(D) The interest payable in respect of each Class of Notes and Composite Securities on the related Payment Date (in the aggregate and by Class) and its calculation in reasonable detail;

(E) For the Composite Securities its Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance; and

(F) The amounts to be paid, if any, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payments on the Preference Shares on the related Payment Date, showing separately the payments from Interest Proceeds and the payments from Principal Proceeds;

(ii) *Payment Date Payments:*

(A) The amounts to be distributed under each clause of Sections 11.1(a)(i), 11.1(a)(ii) and 11.2 itemized by clause, and to the extent applicable, by type of distribution under the clause; and

(B) Any amounts payable under the Hedge Agreements by any Hedge Counterparty on or before the related Payment Date and its calculation in reasonable detail (as specified by the calculation agent under the Hedge Agreement);

(iii) *Accounts:*

(A) The amount of any proceeds in the Collection Account, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds (excluding Uninvested Proceeds) and Uninvested Proceeds;

(B) The amount in the Collection Account after all payments and deposits to be made on the related Payment Date, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds and as Principal Proceeds;

(C) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Revolving Reserve Account;

- (D) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account;
- (E) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account;
- (F) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Securities Lending Account;
- (G) The amount in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account; and
- (H) The amount in the Expense Reimbursement Account;
- (iv) A notice setting forth LIBOR, as calculated by the Calculation Agent, for the next Interest Period and each Note Interest Rate for the next Payment Date; and
- (v) Any other information the Trustee or the Insurer reasonably requests.

Upon receipt of each Valuation Report, the Trustee shall compare the information contained in the Valuation Report to the information contained in its records with respect to the Collateral and shall, within three Business Days after receipt of such Valuation Report, notify the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Portfolio Manager if the information contained in the Valuation Report does not conform to the information maintained by the Trustee with respect to the Collateral, and shall detail any discrepancies. In the event that any discrepancy exists, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Portfolio Manager shall attempt to resolve the discrepancy. If such discrepancy cannot be promptly resolved, the Trustee shall within five Business Days after notification of such discrepancy cause the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8 to review such Valuation Report and the Trustee's records to determine the cause of such discrepancy. If such review reveals an error in the Valuation Report or the Trustee's records, the Valuation Report or the Trustee's records shall be revised accordingly and, as so revised, shall be used in making all calculations pursuant to this Indenture and notice of any error in the Valuation Report shall be sent as soon as practicable by the Issuer to all recipients of such report. If the review by the Independent accountants does not resolve the discrepancy, the Trustee, upon receipt of an Officer's certificate of the Portfolio Manager certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Portfolio Manager, the information contained in the related Valuation Report is correct, shall conform the information it maintains to the Valuation Report received.

(c) *Failure to Provide Accounting.* If the Trustee shall not have received any accounting provided for in Section 10.6(b) on the first Business Day after the date on which the accounting is due to the Trustee, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager, and the Portfolio Manager shall use all reasonable efforts to cause the accounting to be made by the applicable Payment Date. To the extent the Trustee is required to provide any information or reports pursuant to this Section 10.6 as a result of the failure of the Issuer (or anyone acting on the Issuer's behalf) to provide the information or reports, the Trustee may retain an Independent certified public accountant in connection therewith and the reasonable costs incurred by the Trustee for the Independent certified public accountant shall be reimbursed pursuant to Section 6.7.

(d) *Irish Stock Exchange.* So long as any Class of Securities is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange: (i) the Trustee shall communicate to the Irish Stock Exchange the Aggregate

Outstanding Amount of each listed Class of Securities following each Payment Date and inform the Irish Stock Exchange if any such Class of Securities did not receive scheduled payments of principal or interest on the Payment Date; (ii) the Trustee shall inform the Irish Stock Exchange if the ratings assigned to the Securities are reduced or withdrawn and the information shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange; and (iii) the Trustee shall inform the Irish Stock Exchange, in advance, of the Note Interest Rate for each such Class, as well as the exact date of the following Payment Date.

(e) *Quarterly Letter.* The Portfolio Manager shall provide a quarterly letter to the recipients of the Valuation Report highlighting events occurring during the related quarterly period within 30 days of the date of the delivery of the Valuation Report.

(f) *S&P CDO Monitor.* Before the Ramp-Up Completion Date and together with each Monthly Report, the Issuer shall provide to S&P an electronic copy of the S&P CDO Monitor input file.

(g) *Payments or Transfers from the Payment Account.* Each Valuation Report shall constitute instructions to the Trustee to withdraw on the related Payment Date from the Payment Account and pay or transfer amounts set forth in such Valuation Report in the manner specified and in accordance with the priority established in Section 11.1 hereof.

(h) *NAV Calculation.* The Trustee shall forward to the Portfolio Manager, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares), the Initial Purchaser, each Hedge Counterparty, the Rating Agencies, (if so requested by the Initial Purchaser) the Repository in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(viii) or each Holder of a Security who makes a written request therefor, and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, the Beneficial Owner (or its designee), any net asset value report with respect to the Issuer which the Trustee receives from the asset value calculation agent appointed pursuant to Section 10.8(a) hereof.

#### Section 10.7. *Release of Collateral.*

(a) The Trustee shall present Collateral for redemption or payment in full in accordance with the terms of the Collateral upon receipt of an Issuer Order. If no Event of Default is continuing, the Issuer may, by Issuer Order executed by an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager, delivered to the Trustee at least two Business Days before the settlement date for any sale of an obligation certifying that the sale of the Collateral is being made in accordance with Sections 12.1 and 12.3 and the sale complies with all applicable requirements of Section 12.1, direct the Trustee to release the Collateral and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall deliver any such Collateral, if in physical form, duly endorsed to the broker or purchaser designated in the Issuer Order or otherwise cause an appropriate transfer of it to be made, in each case against receipt of the sales price therefor as specified by the Portfolio Manager in the Issuer Order. The Trustee may deliver any such Collateral in physical form for examination pursuant to a bailee letter.

(b) If no Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall upon an Issuer Order executed by an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager deliver any Pledged Obligation that is set for any mandatory call or redemption or payment in full to the appropriate paying agent on or before the date set for the call, redemption, or payment, in each case against receipt of its call or redemption price or payment in full and provide notice of it to the Portfolio Manager.



(c) Upon receiving actual notice of any Offer, the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer shall notify the Portfolio Manager of any Collateral Obligation that is subject to a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion, or other similar action (an "**Offer**"). If no Event of Default is continuing, the Portfolio Manager may direct the Trustee to accept or participate in or decline or refuse to participate in the Offer and, in the case of acceptance or participation, to dispose of the Collateral Obligation in accordance with the Offer against receipt of payment for it. If the consideration to be received by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation is other than Cash, the consideration must be a Collateral Obligation that would be eligible for purchase by the Issuer pursuant to Section 12.2 assuming for this purpose that the Issuer committed to purchase the same on the date on which the Issuer accepts the Offer.

(d) Upon disposition by the Trustee of Collateral to any person against receipt of payment therefore as provided in any of the foregoing clauses (a), (b), or (c), the Collateral shall be free of the lien of this Indenture. The lien shall continue in the proceeds received from the disposition.

(e) As provided in Section 10.2(b), the Trustee shall deposit any proceeds received by it from the disposition of a Pledged Obligation in the Collection Account, unless simultaneously applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or Eligible Investments as permitted under and in accordance with the requirements of this Article 10 and Article 12.

(f) The Trustee shall, upon receipt of an Issuer Order when no Securities are Outstanding and all obligations of the Co-Issuers under this Indenture have been satisfied, as evidenced by an Officer's Certificate or an Opinion of Counsel, release any remaining Collateral from the lien of this Indenture.

(g) The Trustee shall release from the lien of this Indenture any Collateral that is provided directly to a Synthetic Securities Counterparty or deposited in a segregated account in accordance with Section 10.5. Any Collateral or proceeds received by or redeposited by the Issuer into the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.5 shall again be subject to the lien of this Indenture.

Any collateral deposited in a segregated account in accordance with Section 10.3(d), (e), and (f) shall be subject to the lien of this Indenture for the benefit of the Secured Parties. Any collateral withdrawn by the Issuer in accordance with Section 10.3(d), (e), and (f) shall be released from the lien of this Indenture by the Trustee to the extent returned to the appropriate counterparty pursuant to Sections 10.3(d), (e), and (f).

#### Section 10.8. ***Reports by Independent Accountants.***

(a) At the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, shall appoint a firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation for purposes of preparing and delivering the reports or certificates of the accountants required by this Indenture. Within 30 days of any resignation by the firm, the Issuer, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, shall promptly appoint by Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee and each Rating Agency a successor firm that is a firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation. If the Issuer, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, fails

to appoint a successor to a firm of Independent certified public accountants which has resigned within 30 days after the resignation, the Trustee, in consultation with the Portfolio Manager, shall promptly appoint a successor firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation. In addition, the Issuer shall appoint an net asset value calculation agent to prepare and deliver to the Trustee a net asset value report with respect to the Issuer. The fees of such Independent certified public accountants, the NAV calculation agent and their respective successors shall be payable by the Issuer as an Administrative Expense.

(b) On or before May, 31 of each year commencing in 2006, the Issuer shall cause to be delivered to the Trustee, the Insurer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Portfolio Manager or each Noteholder or Holder of Preference Shares upon written request therefor, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit I certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) and each Rating Agency a statement from a firm of Independent certified public accountants indicating (i) that the firm has reviewed each Valuation Report received since the last review and applicable information from the Trustee, (ii) that the calculations within those Valuation Reports have been performed in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture (except as otherwise noted in the statement), and (iii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the preceding Determination Date. If a conflict exists between the firm of Independent certified public accountants and the Issuer with respect to any matter in this Section 10.7, the determination by that firm of Independent public accountants shall be conclusive. The statement shall be in the form of an Accountant's Certificate issued to the Issuer, the form of which shall be agreed on by the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer.

(c) Upon the written request of the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any Holder of Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the firm of Independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to Section 10.7(a) to provide any Holder of Preference Shares with all information requested pursuant to Section 7.17(g) or provide the Issuer with any assistance required in its preparation.

#### Section 10.9. ***Reports to Rating Agencies.***

In addition to the information and reports specifically required to be provided to each Rating Agency pursuant to this Indenture, the Issuer shall provide each Rating Agency with the Accountants' Certificates delivered to the Trustee under this Indenture, and such additional information as either Rating Agency may from time to time reasonably request. In addition, any notices of restructurings and amendments received by the Issuer or the Trustee in connection with the Issuer's ownership of a DIP Loan shall be delivered by the Issuer or the Trustee, as the case may be, promptly to the Rating Agencies.

## ARTICLE 11

### APPLICATION OF MONIES

#### Section 11.1. ***Disbursements of Monies from Payment Account.***

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision in this Indenture, but subject to the other subsections of this Section 11.1 and to Section 13.1, on each Payment Date, the Trustee shall disburse available amounts from the Payment Account as follows and for application by the Trustee in accordance with the following priorities (the "***Priority of Payments***"):

(i) On each Payment Date, Interest Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period (other than Interest Proceeds previously used during such Due Period to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations or otherwise used as permitted by Section 10.2) shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

(1) to the payment of any taxes and registration and filing fees owed by the Co-Issuers (without limit) and then to the payment of Administrative Expenses up to the Administrative Expense Cap as follows:

FIRST, in the following order of priority,

- (i) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Trustee; and then
- (ii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Collateral Administrator; and then
- (iii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Preference Shares Paying Agent; and

SECOND, in the following order of priority,

- (x) fees and expenses of the Administrator; and then
- (y) fees and expenses of the Co-Issuers (including fees and expenses of counsel and surveillance, credit estimate, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies) and any other person (except the Portfolio Manager) if specifically provided for in this Indenture, and to the expenses (but not fees) of the Portfolio Manager if payable under the Management Agreement and to the fees, expenses and indemnities of the Insurer;
- (2) the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts paid pursuant to clause (1) above to deposit into the Expense Reimbursement Account;
- (3) to the payment to the Portfolio Manager of any accrued and unpaid Senior Management Fee then payable;
- (4) to the payment of all amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements other than any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;
- (5)

(A) first, *pro rata* to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Senior Class A Notes, accrued and unpaid Premium and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Senior Class A Notes; provided, however, if the amounts available pursuant to this clause (A) are insufficient to pay the foregoing amounts in full, the amount available for distribution under this clause (A) shall be distributed *pro rata* based on the amounts owing to the Class A-1a Notes and the Class A-1b Notes, on the one hand, and to the amounts owing to the Class A-1g Notes and in respect of the Premium, on the other hand, with the amounts distributed to the Insurer and the Holders of the Class A-1g Notes being paid first to the

Insurer in respect of the Premium until paid in full and then in respect of amounts owing to the Class A-1g Notes; provided, further, that distributions in respect of the Class A-1a Notes and the Class A-1b Notes pursuant to this clause (5)(A) shall be made to the Holders thereof *pro rata* based upon the amount of accrued and unpaid interest and accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest owing in respect of the Class A-1a Notes and the Class A-1b Notes;

(B) second, to the payment of Accrued Insurance Liabilities then payable under the Insurance Agreement;

(6) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-2 Notes and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-2 Notes;

(7) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-3 Notes and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-3 Notes (with distributions in respect of the Class A-3 Notes made to the Holders thereof *pro rata* based upon the amount of accrued and unpaid interest and accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest owing in respect of the Class A-3a Notes and the Class A-3b Notes);

(8) if the Class A Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes in the Note Payment Sequence in the amount necessary so that all of the Class A Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (8) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(1) on the current Payment Date);

(9) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B Notes (excluding Class B Deferred Interest, but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class B Deferred Interest);

(10) if the Class B Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Senior Class A Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-3 Notes and the Class B Notes in the Note Payment Sequence and then to the payment of any Class B Deferred Interest, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class B Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (10) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(2) on the current Payment Date) (with each of the Senior Class A Notes and the Class A-3 Notes being redeemed *pro rata* based upon the outstanding principal amount of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes and the Class A-1g Notes (in the case of a redemption of the Senior Class A Notes) and the outstanding principal amount of the Class A-3a Notes and the Class A-3b Notes (in the case of a redemption of the Class A-3 Notes));

(11) to the payment of Class B Deferred Interest;

(12) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class C Notes (excluding Class C Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class C Deferred Interest);

(13) if the Class C Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date or if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, to the payment of principal of the Notes in the Note Payment Sequence and then to the payment of the Class C Deferred Interest in the amount necessary so that all of the Class C Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (13) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(3) on the current Payment Date, unless a Rating Confirmation is obtained) (with each of the Senior Class A Notes and the Class A-3 Notes being redeemed *pro rata* based upon the outstanding principal amount of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes and the Class A-1g Notes (in the case of a redemption of the Senior Class A Notes) and the outstanding principal amount of the Class A-3a Notes and the Class A-3b Notes (in the case of a redemption of the Class A-3 Notes));

(14) to the payment of Class C Deferred Interest;

(15) to deposit in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds amounts representing Principal Proceeds previously used to pay amounts referred to in clauses (1), (3) through (7), (9), (11), (12) and (14) above and not previously restored to the Collection Account or, if not restored to the Collection Account, used to purchase Collateral Obligations;

(16) during the Reinvestment Period, if the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, for deposit to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds the lesser of (i) 50% of the remaining Interest Proceeds available after the payments pursuant to clause (15) above and (ii) the amount necessary to cause the Reinvestment Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as of such Determination Date, after application of funds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(1) on the current Payment Date;

(17) first, to the payment to the Insurer of any remaining Administrative Expenses payable thereto and not paid under clause (1) above, and second, to the payment of any remaining Administrative Expenses not paid under clause (1) above in the respective priorities specified in clause (1);

(18) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, an amount not to exceed the Preference Shares Distribution Amount;

(19) to the payment (i) first to the Portfolio Manager of accrued and unpaid Subordinated Management Fee then due and payable and (ii) to the Insurer (if entitled thereto) and to each Holder of Securities entitled thereto, the applicable Extension Bonus Payment pursuant to, and in accordance with, Section 2.4(g);

(20) to the payment of any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;

(21) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 10.75%;

(22) to the payment to the Portfolio Manager of the Incentive Management Fee, if applicable; and

(23) any remaining Interest Proceeds, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

(ii) On each Payment Date, Principal Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period other than:

(A) Principal Proceeds previously reinvested in Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or otherwise used as permitted by Section 10.2,

(B) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, or the Securities Lending Account, and

(C) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed Purchase Prices for Collateral Obligations with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment before the end of the Due Period for their purchase, but has not settled the purchase by the end of the Due Period,

shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

(1) (x) first, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (1) and (3) through (7) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (y) second, to the payment of amounts referred to in clause (8) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class A Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (1);

(2) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (10) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class B Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (2);

(3) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (13) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class C Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination

Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (3);

(4) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (9) and (11) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder, only to the extent that all of the Coverage Tests would be met on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (4);

(5) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (12) and (14) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder, only to the extent that all of the Coverage Tests would be met on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (5);

(6)

(A) if the Payment Date is a Redemption Date in the following order of priority: (i) to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of the Redemption Prices of all of the Notes to be redeemed (with each of the Senior Class A Notes and the Class A-3 Notes being redeemed *pro rata* based upon the outstanding principal amount of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes and the Class A-1g Notes (in the case of a redemption of the Senior Class A Notes) and the outstanding principal amount of the Class A-3a Notes and the Class A-3b Notes (in the case of a redemption of the Class A-3 Notes)), (ii) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (17) through (22) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder, and (iii) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares of the Redemption Price of any Preference Shares to be redeemed; and

(B) if the Payment Date is a Special Redemption Date, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of the Notes in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount, in each case until paid in full (with each of the Senior Class A Notes and the Class A-3 Notes being redeemed *pro rata* based upon the outstanding principal amount of the Class A-1a Notes, the Class A-1b Notes and the Class A-1g Notes (in the case of a redemption of the Senior Class A Notes) and the outstanding principal amount of the Class A-3a Notes and the Class A-3b Notes (in the case of a redemption of the Class A-3 Notes));

(7) during the Reinvestment Period, all remaining Principal Proceeds to the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.19 and Article 12 (and, until so applied (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), to be deposited in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds);

(8) after the Reinvestment Period, (i) first, at the discretion of the Portfolio Manager (with respect to Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations) to the purchase or funding of substitute Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the applicable provisions of this Indenture when appropriate Collateral Obligations are available, and until such time, to the Collection Account for the purchase of Eligible Investments; and (ii) second, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of Notes until paid in full;

(9) to the extent not previously paid in full under clause (6) above, after the Reinvestment Period, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (17) through (22) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; and

(10) after the Reinvestment Period to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

Amounts referred to in clauses (9) and (12) of Section 11.1(a)(i), to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder, will be added to deferred interest for purposes of calculating the Coverage Tests in clauses (1), (2) and (3) of this Section 11.1(a)(ii).

(b) If on any Payment Date the amount available in the Payment Account is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by the Valuation Report, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for in the order and according to the priority under Section 11.1(a), subject to Section 13.1, to the extent funds are available therefor.

(c) The Trustee shall remit funds to pay Administrative Expenses of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in accordance with Section 11.1(a), to the extent available, to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer as directed and designated in an Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions) delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before each Payment Date.

(d) If the Hedge Counterparty defaults in the payment of its obligations to the Issuer under the respective Hedge Agreements on the date on which any payment is due thereunder, the Trustee shall make a demand on the Hedge Counterparty, or any guarantor, if applicable, demanding payment by 12:30 p.m., New York time, on that date. The Trustee shall give notice to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Portfolio Manager and each Rating Agency upon the continuing failure by the Hedge Counterparty to perform its obligations during the two Business Days following a demand made by the Trustee on, the Hedge Counterparty, and shall take the action with respect to the continuing failure as directed by the Portfolio Manager unless an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing in which case direction is to be taken pursuant to Section 5.13.

(e) Except as otherwise expressly provided in Section 11.1(a) above, if on any Payment Date, the amount available in the Payment Account from amounts received in the related Due Period is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by any numbered or lettered paragraph or clause of Section 11.1(a) to different persons, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for by the paragraph or clause ratably in accordance with the respective amounts of the disbursements then payable, subject to Section 13.1, to the extent funds are available therefor.



(f) On each Payment Date on which distributions are made in respect of the Preference Shares, a portion of such payment will be allocated to the Class 1 Composite Securities in the proportion that the aggregate Face Amount of the Preference Share Component bears to the aggregate Face Amount of the Preference Shares. The payment of distributions, redemption amounts and any other payments on the Class 1 Composite Securities will be distributed in the same manner as the Preference Shares to which the Preference Share Component relates, except that such payment will be made on the Composite Securities Payment Date.

Section 11.2. ***Class 1 Component Distributions.***

(a) On the first Business Day after each Payment Date, the Trustee shall make commercially reasonable efforts to sell a portion or all of the Treasury Strip held in the Class 1 Component Account on the customary open markets in accordance with customary industry standards. The face amount of the Treasury Strip to be sold, if any, on the first Business Day after the relevant Payment Date shall be a calculated amount (rounded down to the nearest \$1,000) equal to:

(i) the sum of the distributions allocated to the Preference Share Component of the Class 1 Composite Securities under Sections 11.1(a)(i)(18), (21) and (23) and Sections 11.1(a)(ii)(6)(A), (9) and (10) on such Payment Date; divided by

(ii) one minus the bid-side market price of the Treasury Strip on the first Business Day after such Payment Date expressed as a percentage.

No portion of the Treasury Strip may be sold, if after its sale, the Class 1 Collateral Principal Balance would not be greater than or equal to the Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance.

(b) On each Composite Securities Payment Date, the Trustee shall disburse (solely from amounts in the Class 1 Component Account attributable to the proceeds from the sale of the Treasury Strip pursuant to Section 11.2(a)) to the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities, *pro rata* based on their share of the Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance, the proceeds from the sale of the Treasury Strip relating to such Composite Securities Payment Date pursuant to Section 11.2(a).

(c) On each Composite Securities Payment Date following a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), the Trustee shall disburse (solely from Class 1 Collateral held in the Class 1 Component Account) to the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities, *pro rata* based on their share of the Class 1 Composite Security Rated Balance, the Redemption Price of the Class 1 Component as a distribution in kind of each item of the Class 1 Collateral.

## ARTICLE 12

### SALE OF COLLATERAL OBLIGATIONS; PURCHASE OF COLLATERAL OBLIGATIONS

Section 12.1. ***Sales of Collateral Obligations.***

Subject to the satisfaction of the conditions specified in Section 10.6, Section 12.1 and Section 12.3 and if no Event of Default is continuing as evidenced by an Officer's Certificate of the Portfolio Manager provided to the Trustee, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Portfolio

Manager, direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset if the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that the sale meets the requirements of any one of paragraphs (a) through (i) of this Section 12.1. If the Issuer sells any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset during the Reinvestment Period, the proceeds shall be reinvested in accordance with Section 12.2.

(a) *Credit Risk Securities.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Risk Obligation at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Risk Obligation in accordance with such direction. Following any sale of a Credit Risk Obligation pursuant to this Section 12.1(a), at the direction of the Portfolio Manager during the Reinvestment Period, the Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (to the extent the purchase is in the best interest of the Issuer) with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Sale Proceeds received by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral Obligation sold. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount.

(b) *Credit Improved Obligations.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Improved Obligation if either:

(i) during the Reinvestment Period, the Portfolio Manager believes before the sale that it will be able to cause the Issuer to reinvest its Sale Proceeds, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria, in one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Credit Improved Obligation by the end of the immediately succeeding Due Period (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest); or

(ii) after the Reinvestment Period, the Sale Proceeds received in respect of the Credit Improved Obligation are at least equal to its Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest;

and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Improved Obligation in accordance with such direction.

(c) *Non-Performing Collateral Obligations and Current-Pay Obligations.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Current-Pay Obligation at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Current-Pay Obligation in accordance with such direction. Non-Performing Collateral Obligations may be sold regardless of price.

(d) *Non-qualifying Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell that obligation in accordance with such direction.

(e) *Withholding Tax Sales.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation subject to withholding tax at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction.

(f) *Optional Redemption.* After the Issuer has notified the Trustee of an Optional Redemption of the Notes in accordance with Article 9, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all or a portion of the Collateral Obligations as contemplated therein if (i) the requirements of Article 9 are satisfied and (ii) the Independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to Section 10.7 have confirmed the calculations contained in any required certificate furnished by the Portfolio Manager pursuant to Section 9.3(c). After a Majority of the Preference Shares have directed an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares in accordance with Section 9.2(b), at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all of the remaining Collateral Obligations (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(i)) or a portion of the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous directions of Holders of the Preference Shares (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii)) and the Trustee shall sell the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

(g) *Rating Confirmation Failure.* After the Portfolio Manager has received notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Securities, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, direct the Trustee to sell Collateral Obligations as contemplated in Section 9.1 and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

(h) *Discretionary Sales.* At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation:

(i) at any time on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without regard to any restriction specified in clause (ii) below); and

(ii) at any time after the Ramp-Up Completion Date if:

(A) after giving effect to the sale and the sale of any other Collateral Obligations whose sale is pending, the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations sold pursuant to this Section 12.1(h)(ii) (in each case determined as of the date the direction to sell is given) is not greater than 20% of the Maximum Investment Amount as of January 1 of such calendar year (or, for the first calendar year, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date); and

(B) during the Reinvestment Period the Portfolio Manager believes before the sale that it will be able to cause the Issuer within 30 days thereafter to reinvest or commit to reinvest its Sale Proceeds, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria, in one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Collateral Obligation (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral

Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest);

and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction. However, if the rating by Moody's of any of the Senior Class A Notes (without giving effect to the Policy), the Class A-2 Notes or the Class A-3 Notes is one or more rating sub-categories below the Initial Rating of the Senior Class A Notes (without giving effect to the Policy), the Class A-2 Notes or the Class A-3 Notes or has been withdrawn or the rating by Moody's of the Class B Notes or the Class C Notes is two or more rating sub-categories below the Initial Rating of the Class B Notes or the Class C Notes or has been withdrawn, the Issuer shall not instruct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligations pursuant to this Section 12.1(h). This restriction may be waived by written consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class. For the purposes of this subsection (h), any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not restrict the sale of any Collateral Obligations pursuant to this subsection (h) if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody's has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Senior Class A Notes (without giving effect to the Policy), the Class A-2 Notes and the Class A-3 Notes, or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes.

For the purposes of determining the percentage of Collateral Obligations sold during any period in Section 12.1(h)(ii):

(i) the amount of any Collateral Obligation sold shall be reduced:

(A) to the extent of any purchases of Collateral Obligations of the same obligor (that are *pari passu* with the sold Collateral Obligation) occurring within 30 Business Days of the sale (determined based on the date of any relevant trade confirmation or commitment letter) (but only for so long as (x) the Collateral Obligations purchased have not been downgraded by any of the Rating Agencies during the 30 Business Day period, (y) the Collateral Obligations have not been purchased from the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates acting, in each case, as principal or from any funds or accounts advised or managed by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates, and (z) the purchase price of each Notes purchased Collateral Obligation must not exceed the sale price of the sold Collateral Obligation), and

(B) to the extent of any purchases of Collateral Obligations permitted pursuant to Section 12.2(c); and

(ii) any Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index investment providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time that is invested into a substantially similar Synthetic Security but with a later maturity shall be treated as having been sold.

(i) *Workout Assets*. At the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Workout Asset at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction and regardless of price and the Trustee shall sell the Workout Assets in accordance with such direction.

Section 12.2. ***Purchase of Collateral Obligations.***

(a) On any date during the Reinvestment Period (and, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Improved Obligations, on any date after the Reinvestment Period), so long as no Event of Default is continuing, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to invest or reinvest Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations) in Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) if the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that, to the best knowledge of the Portfolio Manager, the conditions specified in this Section 12.2 and Section 12.3 are met.

(b) ***Eligibility Criteria.*** No obligations may be purchased unless each of the conditions in the following clauses (i) through (xii) (the "***Eligibility Criteria***") is satisfied as evidenced by a certificate of the Portfolio Manager as of the date the Issuer commits to make the purchase, in each case after giving effect to the purchase and all other purchases and sales previously or simultaneously committed to:

(i) the obligation is a Collateral Obligation;

(ii) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period:

(A) each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied and, if the commitment is made on or after the second Payment Date, each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied, or

(B) if any such Coverage Test is not satisfied, both:

(1) the extent of satisfaction of the Coverage Test is not reduced, and

(2) the Collateral Obligation is being purchased with Principal Proceeds other than:

(x) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, or

(y) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Workout Asset that has been received in exchange for a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;

(iii) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Diversity Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(iv) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(v) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, each of the limits in the definition of "Concentration Limitations" is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(vi) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(vii) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(viii) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(ix) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(x) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(xi) for any date occurring during the Reinvestment Period, the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced; provided, however, that this Eligibility Criterion (xi) shall not apply either to reinvestment of the proceeds from the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset or to the reinvestment of Principal Proceeds in respect of Defaulted Collateral Obligations; and

(xii) for any date occurring after the Reinvestment Period:

(A) each Coverage Test is satisfied and the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(B) each Collateral Quality Test is maintained or improved;

(C) each Concentration Limitation is maintained or improved;

(D) the maturity date of such Collateral Obligation will occur prior to the Stated Maturity of the Notes; and

(E) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation is at least equal to the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments or of the Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable.

(c) *Certain Permitted Exchanges.*

The Issuer may, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, exchange a Collateral Obligation for another Collateral Obligation in an A/B Exchange.

(d) *Certification by Portfolio Manager.* Not later than the Business Day preceding the settlement date for any Collateral Obligation purchased after the Closing Date (but in any event no later than the release of Cash for the Purchase Price of the purchase), the Portfolio Manager shall deliver to the Trustee an Officer's certificate of the Portfolio Manager certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Portfolio Manager, the purchase complies with this Section 12.2 and with Section 12.3 (determined as of the date that the Issuer commits to make the purchase).

(e) *Investment in Eligible Investments.* Cash on deposit in the Collection Account may be invested at any time in Eligible Investments in accordance with Section 10.4(a) pending investment in Collateral Obligations.

**Section 12.3. *Conditions Applicable to All Sale and Purchase Transactions.***

(a) Any sale or purchase by the Issuer of a Collateral Obligation shall be conducted on an arm's length basis and, if effected with the Portfolio Manager or a person Affiliated with the Portfolio Manager or any fund or account for which the Portfolio Manager or an Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager acts as investment adviser, shall be effected in accordance with the requirements of Section 5 of the Management Agreement on terms no less favorable to the Issuer than would be the case if the person were not so Affiliated. The Trustee shall have no responsibility to oversee compliance with this clause (a) by the other parties.

(b) Upon any acquisition of any Collateral Obligation, all of the Issuer's interest in the Collateral Obligation shall be Granted to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture.

**Section 12.4. *Certain Determinations Relating to Collateral Obligations.***

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Indenture, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have purchased any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer delivers to the Trustee a contract to purchase, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to receive such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have acquired, granted or delivered, as the case may be, such Collateral Obligations on such date.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Indenture, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer delivers to the Trustee a contract to sell, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to sell, and requiring the purchaser to purchase, such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold such Collateral Obligations on such date.

(c) Under the circumstances described in subsections (a) and (b) above, if the transaction contemplated by the contract, commitment letter, confirmation or due bill referred to therein does not settle on or before the 60th day following the scheduled settlement date (the

"**Deadline**"), the deemed purchase or sale shall be deemed not to have occurred; provided, however, that the Portfolio Manager shall have the right to extend the Deadline for an additional period (not to exceed an additional 60 days) by notice to the Trustee, which notice shall include the Portfolio Manager's certification to the effect that the Portfolio Manager believes that the settlement shall occur on or before the extended Deadline.

(d) Scheduled distributions with respect to any Pledged Collateral Obligation shall be determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture.

## ARTICLE 13

### NOTEHOLDERS' RELATIONS

#### Section 13.1. ***Subordination.***

(a) With respect to each Class of Notes and the Preference Shares, the Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares that are Priority Classes and Junior Classes are as follows:

Class	Junior Classes	Priority Classes
Senior Class A	A-2, A-3, B, C, Preference Shares	None
A-2	A-3, B, C, Preference Shares	Senior Class A
A-3	B, C, Preference Shares	Senior Class A, A-2
B	C, Preference Shares	Senior Class A, A-2, A-3
C	Preference Shares	Senior Class A, A-2, A-3, B
Preference Shares	None*	Senior Class A, A-2, A-3, B, C

\* The Preference Shares will be entitled to certain residual cashflow after payment of senior obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

(b) Anything in this Indenture or the Securities to the contrary notwithstanding, the Holders of each Class of Notes that is a Junior Class agree for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class and (in the case of the Class A-1g Notes) the Insurer with respect to the Junior Class that the Junior Class shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes of each Priority Class to the extent and in the manner provided in this Indenture. If any Event of Default has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs and is continuing in accordance with Article 5, each Priority Class of Notes and all amounts owed by the Issuer to the Insurer hereunder or under the Insurance Agreement shall be paid in full in Cash (without giving effect to payments on the Policy) or, to the extent a Majority of the Class consents, other than in Cash, before any further payment or distribution is made on account of any Junior Class of Notes with respect to the Priority Class and each Class of Notes shall be paid in full in Cash or, to the extent a Majority of the Class consents, other than in Cash, before any further payment or distribution is made on account of the Preference Share Components. The Holders of each



Junior Class of Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class and (in the case of the Class A-1g Notes) the Insurer in respect of the Junior Class, not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for failure to pay to them amounts due to the Junior Class, of the Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or under this Indenture until the payment in full of the Priority Classes or all the Classes, as the case may be, and all amounts owed by the Issuer to the Insurer hereunder or under the Insurance Agreement, and not before one year and a day, or if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, has elapsed since the payment.

(c) If, notwithstanding the provisions of this Indenture, any Holder of Notes of any Junior Class has received any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes contrary to the provisions of this Indenture, then, until each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class of Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, and the Insurer has been paid in full in Cash or, to the extent a Majority of the Priority Class or the Class, as the case may be, consents, other than in Cash in accordance with this Indenture, the payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, which shall pay and deliver the same to the Holders of the applicable Priority Classes of Notes or the Holders of all Classes of Notes, as the case may be, and the Insurer in accordance with this Indenture. If any such payment or distribution is made other than in Cash, it shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and subject in all respects to this Indenture, including this Section 13.1.

(d) Each Holder of Notes of any Junior Class agrees with all Holders of the applicable Priority Classes and the Insurer that the Holder of Junior Class Notes shall not demand, accept, or receive any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes in violation of this Indenture including this Section 13.1. After a Priority Class and the Insurer has been paid in full, the Holders of the related Junior Class or Classes shall be fully subrogated to the rights of the Holders of the Priority Class and the Insurer. Nothing in this Section 13.1 shall affect the obligation of the Issuer to pay Holders of any Junior Class of Notes.

(e) Distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares are subordinate to distributions on the Notes and Preference Shares as described in the Priority of Payments.

(f) The Management Fees shall have priority only to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

(g) For purposes of subordination, the Composite Securities shall not be treated as a separate Class, but the Preference Share Component shall be treated as being *pari passu* with the Preference Shares.

#### Section 13.2. ***Standard of Conduct.***

In exercising any of its or their voting rights, rights to direct and consent, or any other rights as a Noteholder or a Composite Securityholder under this Indenture, a Noteholder or a Composite Securityholder or the Insurer shall not have any obligation or duty to any person or to consider or take into account the interests of any person and shall not be liable to any person for any action taken by it or them or at its or their direction or any failure by it or them to act or to direct that an action be taken, without regard to whether the action or inaction benefits or adversely affects any Noteholder, Composite Securityholder, the Issuer, or any other person, except for any liability to which the Noteholder or Composite Securityholder or the Insurer may be subject to the extent the same results from the Noteholder's or Composite Securityholder's

taking or directing an action, or failing to take or direct an action, in bad faith or in violation of the express terms of this Indenture.

## ARTICLE 14

### MISCELLANEOUS

#### Section 14.1. *Form of Documents Delivered to Trustee.*

In any case where several matters are required to be certified by, or covered by an opinion of, any specified person, it is not necessary that all the matters be certified by, or covered by the opinion of, only one person, or that they be so certified or covered by only one document, but one such person may certify or give an opinion with respect to some matters and one or more other such persons as to other matters, and any such person may certify or give an opinion as to the matters in one or several documents.

Any certificate or opinion of an Officer of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the Portfolio Manager may be based, insofar as it relates to legal matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, counsel, unless the Officer knows, or should know that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to the matters upon which his certificate or opinion is based are erroneous. Any such certificate of an Officer of the Issuer, Co-Issuer, or the Portfolio Manager or Opinion of Counsel may be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, or any other person, stating that the information with respect to the factual matters is in the possession of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, or the other person, unless the Officer of the Issuer, Co-Issuer, or the Portfolio Manager or the counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to factual matters are erroneous. Any Opinion of Counsel may also be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, an Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, stating that the information with respect to factual matters is in the possession of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, unless the counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to factual matters are erroneous.

Where any person is required to make, give, or execute two or more applications, requests, consents, certificates, statements, opinions, or other instruments under this Indenture, they may, but need not, be consolidated and form one instrument.

Whenever this Indenture provides that the absence of the continuation of a Default or Event of Default is a condition precedent to the taking of any action by the Trustee at the request or direction of either Co-Issuer, then notwithstanding that the satisfaction of the condition is a condition precedent to the Co-Issuer's right to make the request or direction, the Trustee shall be protected in acting in accordance with the request or direction if it does not have knowledge of the continuation of the Default or Event of Default as provided in Section 6.1(d).

#### Section 14.2. *Acts of Noteholders, Composite Securityholders or Holders of Preference Shares.*

(a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver, or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or taken by Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares may be embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments of substantially similar

tenor signed by Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares in person or by agents duly appointed in writing. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture the action shall become effective when the instruments are delivered to the Trustee (which instrument or instruments may be delivered through the Preference Shares Paying Agent, in the case of the Holders of the Preference Shares) and, if expressly required, to the Issuer. The instruments (and the action embodied in them) are referred to as the "**Act**" of the Noteholders or the Holders of Preference Shares signing the instruments. Proof of execution of any instrument or of a writing appointing an agent for a Noteholder or Holder of a Preference Share shall be sufficient for any purpose of this Indenture and conclusive in favor of the Trustee and the Issuer, if made in the manner provided in this Section.

(b) The fact and date of the execution by any person of any instrument may be proved by an affidavit of a witness to the execution or the certificate of any notary public or other person authorized by law to acknowledge the execution of deeds. Any certificate on behalf of a jural entity executed by a person purporting to have authority to act on behalf of the jural entity shall itself be sufficient proof of the authority of the person executing it to act. The fact and date of the execution by any person of any instrument may also be proved in any other manner that the Trustee deems sufficient.

(c) The Indenture Register shall prove the ownership of Securities and the principal amount and registered numbers of Securities and the number of Preference Shares held by and the number(s) of the Preference Share certificate(s) issued to, any Person shall be proved by the Preference Share register.

(d) Any Act by the Holder of a Security shall bind every Holder of the same Security and every Security issued on its transfer or in exchange for it or in lieu of it, in respect of anything done, omitted, or suffered to be done by the Trustee or the Issuer in reliance on the Act, whether or not notation of the action is made on the Security or Preference Shares.

#### Section 14.3. *Notices, etc., to Certain Persons or Parties.*

(a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, order, notice, consent, waiver, or Act of Noteholders or other documents provided or permitted by this Indenture to be made, given, or furnished to, or filed with:

(i) the Trustee or Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and made, given, furnished, or filed to and mailed, by certified mail, return receipt requested, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service guaranteeing next day delivery, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Trustee or Preference Shares Paying Agent addressed to it at its Corporate Trust Office, telecopy no. (713) 216-2101, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto by the Trustee (any request, direction, order, notice or other communication from the Portfolio Manager to the Trustee under Article 12 (other than required certifications) may be by electronic mail, which shall be deemed to be in writing);

(ii) the Co-Issuers shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Issuer addressed to it at c/o Maples Finance Limited, P.O. Box 1093 GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman,

Cayman Islands, telecopy no. (345) 945-7100, Attention: The Directors, or to the Co-Issuer addressed to it at 1209 Orange Street, Wilmington, Delaware, 19801, Attention: Donald J. Puglisi, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, with a copy to the Portfolio Manager at its address below;

(iii) the Insurer shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Insurer addressed to it at Assured Guaranty Corp., 1325 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10019, telephone no. (212) 974-0199, telecopy no. (212) 581-3268, Attention: General Counsel and Attention: Chief Risk Officer, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto;

(iv) the Portfolio Manager shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Portfolio Manager addressed to it at Two Galleria Tower, 13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300, Dallas, Texas 75240, telecopy no. (972) 628-4147, Attention: James Dondero, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto;

(v) J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. as the Initial Purchaser shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, addressed c/o J.P. Morgan Securities Inc., at 270 Park Avenue, New York, NY 10017, Attention: Structured Credit Products, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager, and the Trustee by an Officer of the Initial Purchaser;

(vi) any Hedge Counterparty shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered or sent by overnight courier service or by telecopy in legible form to the Hedge Counterparty addressed to it at the address specified in the relevant Hedge Agreement or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Issuer or the Trustee by the Hedge Counterparty;

(vii) the Rating Agencies shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to each Rating Agency addressed to it at Moody's Investors Service, Inc., 99 Church Street, New York, New York, 10007, Telecopy No. (212) 553-4170, cdomonitoring@moodys.com, Attention: CBO/CLO Monitoring and Standard & Poor's, 55 Water Street, 41st Floor, New York, New York 10041-0003, telecopy no. (212) 438-2664, Attention: Asset Backed-CBO/CLO Surveillance and each Monthly Report shall also be sent to S&P electronically to CDO\_Surveillance@standardandpoors.com;

(viii) the Administrator shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by facsimile in legible form, addressed to Maples Finance Limited, P.O. Box 1093 GT

Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, telecopy no. (345) 945-7100, Attention: The Directors; or

(ix) the Repository shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if delivered to the Repository at CDO Library, c/o The Bond Market Association, 360 Madison Avenue, 18th Floor, New York, New York 10017, electronic mail address: admin@cdolibrary.com. Any document required to be delivered or made available to the Repository by the Trustee may be made available by providing the operator of the Repository with access to a website containing such document in a format that permits the user to download the document as a pdf file.

(b) If any provision in this Indenture calls for any notice or document to be delivered simultaneously to the Trustee and any other person, the Trustee's receipt of the notice or document shall entitle the Trustee to assume that the notice or document was delivered to the other person unless otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture.

**Section 14.4. *Notices to Holders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent; Waiver.***

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, where this Indenture provides for notice to the Insurer, the Noteholders, the Composite Securityholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) of any event,

(a) the notice shall be sufficiently given to the Insurer, the Noteholders, the Composite Securityholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, to the Insurer, each Noteholder and Composite Securityholder affected by the event or the Preference Shares Paying Agent, at the address of the Insurer set forth in Section 14.3(a)(iii), at the address of the Holder as it appears in the Indenture Register or at the address of the Preference Shares Paying Agent supplied by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Trustee, as applicable, not earlier than the earliest date and not later than the latest date, prescribed for the giving of the notice; and

(b) the notice shall be in the English language.

Notices shall be deemed to have been given on the date of their mailing.

Notwithstanding clause (a), a Noteholder, Composite Securityholder or the Preference Shares Paying Agent may give the Trustee a written notice that it is requesting that notices to it be given by facsimile transmissions and stating the telecopy number for the transmission. Thereafter, the Trustee shall give notices to the Holder or the Preference Shares Paying Agent by facsimile transmission. If the notice also requests that notices be given by mail, then the notice shall also be given by mail in accordance with clause (a) above, as the case may be.

The Trustee shall deliver to the Holders of Notes any information or notice relating to this Indenture requested to be so delivered by at least 10% (by Aggregate Outstanding Amount) of the Holders of any Class of Notes at the expense of the Issuer. The Trustee shall deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent any information or notice that the Preference Shares Paying Agent certifies was requested to be so delivered by at least 10% (by Aggregate Outstanding Amount) of the Holders of the Preference Shares at the expenses of the Issuer.

Neither the failure to mail any notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Noteholder, Composite Securityholder or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall affect the sufficiency of the notice with respect to other Noteholders, Composite Securityholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent. If it is impracticable to give the notice by mail of any event to Noteholders, Composite Securityholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent when the notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this Indenture because of the suspension of regular mail service as a result of a strike, work stoppage, or similar activity or because of any other cause, then the notification to Noteholders, Composite Securityholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent as shall be made with the approval of the Trustee shall be a sufficient notification to the Holders for every purpose under this Indenture.

Where this Indenture provides for notice in any manner, the notice may be waived in writing by any person entitled to receive the notice, either before or after the event, and the waiver shall be the equivalent of the notice. Waivers of notice by Noteholders, Composite Securityholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be filed with the Trustee but the filing shall not be a condition precedent to the validity of any action taken in reliance on the waiver.

So long as any Securities are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, all notices to Holders of the Securities or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Preference Shares) shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange or the Irish Listing and Paying Agent.

The Issuer shall (and authorizes the Trustee to) deliver to J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. all periodic reports, notices, demands, and other written information delivered or received by the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, trustees, paying agents, accountants, or other persons pursuant to this Indenture and other operative documentation relating to the Securities requested by J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. (collectively, the "**Transaction Reports**") and the Issuer consents to J.P. Morgan Securities Inc.'s providing Transaction Reports received by it to current and prospective investors in the Securities (including by means of electronic transmissions or posting the Transaction Reports on internet sites maintained by J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. or any of its affiliates).

Section 14.5. ***Effect of Headings and Table of Contents.***

The Article and Section headings in this Indenture and the Table of Contents are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction of this Indenture.

Section 14.6. ***Successors and Assigns.***

All covenants and agreements in this Indenture by the Co-Issuers shall bind their respective successors and assigns, whether so expressed or not.

Section 14.7. ***Separability.***

Except to the extent prohibited by applicable law, in case any provision in this Indenture, in the Securities shall be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the validity, legality, and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

Section 14.8. ***Benefits of Indenture.***

Nothing in this Indenture or in the Securities, expressed or implied, shall give to any person, other than the parties hereto and their successors under this Indenture, the Portfolio Manager, the Insurer, the Noteholders, the Composite Securityholders, the Holders of Preference Shares or the Preference Shares Paying Agent any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy, or claim under this Indenture.

Section 14.9. ***Legal Holidays.***

If any Payment Date, Redemption Date, or Stated Maturity is not a Business Day, then notwithstanding any other provision of the Notes or this Indenture, payment need not be made on that date, but shall be made on the next Business Day with the same effect as if made on the nominal date of the Payment Date, Redemption Date, or Stated Maturity date, as the case may be, and except as provided in the definition of "Due Period," no interest shall accrue on the payment for the period beginning on the nominal date.

Section 14.10. ***Governing Law.***

(a) THIS INDENTURE, EACH NOTE, AND EACH COMPOSITE SECURITY SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS PROVISIONS THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION.

Section 14.11. ***Submission to Jurisdiction.***

The Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or federal court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Securities, the Preference Shares or this Indenture, and the Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably agree that all claims in respect of the action or proceeding may be heard and determined in the New York State or federal court. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably waive, to the fullest extent that they may legally do so, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of the action or proceeding. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee irrevocably consent to the service of all process in any action or proceeding by the mailing or delivery of copies of the process to the Co-Issuers at the office of the Co-Issuers' agent in Section 7.2 and to the Trustee at the Corporate Trust Office. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee agree that a final judgment in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

Section 14.12. ***Counterparts.***

This Indenture may be executed in any number of copies, and by the different parties on the same or separate counterparts, each of which shall be considered to be an original instrument.

Section 14.13. ***Acts of Issuer.***

Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver, or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or performed by the Issuer shall be effective if given or performed by the Issuer or by the Portfolio Manager on the Issuer's behalf.

Section 14.14. ***Consent of Posting of Documents on Repository.***

The Issuer hereby consents to (a) the posting of the final Offering Circular, this Indenture and the periodic reports to be delivered pursuant to the transaction documents and any amendments or other modifications thereto on the Repository for use in the manner provided in the Repository; and (b) the display of its name on the Repository in connection therewith. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Trustee makes any representation or warranty to The Bond Market Association (or any successor thereto) or any affiliate thereof or any Person having or obtaining access to the information maintained in the Repository or to any of such Person's affiliates regarding the accuracy or completeness of any information, document, report or other communication transmitted to the Repository, and no Person having or obtaining access to the information maintained in the Repository shall have any rights under this Indenture or otherwise by reason of the transmission of any such information, document, report or other communication to the Repository.

Section 14.15. ***Liability of Co-Issuers.***

Notwithstanding any other terms of this Indenture, the Notes, the Composite Securities, or any other agreement entered into by either of the Co-Issuers or otherwise, neither of the Co-Issuers shall have any liability whatsoever to the other of the Co-Issuers under this Indenture, the Notes, the Composite Securities, any other agreement, or otherwise. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, neither of the Co-Issuers may take any action to enforce, or bring any action or proceeding, in respect of this Indenture, the Notes, the Composite Securities, any other agreement, or otherwise against the other of the Co-Issuers. In particular, neither of the Co-Issuers may petition or take any other steps for the winding up or bankruptcy of the other of the Co-Issuers and neither of the Co-Issuers shall have any claim with respect to any assets of the other of the Co-Issuers.

Section 14.16. ***Indemnity of Co-Issuer.***

The Issuer agrees to indemnify the Co-Issuer for any payments that may become due from the Co-Issuer under Article 11 with respect to any Securities issued under this Indenture and any administrative, legal, or other costs incurred by the Co-Issuer in connection with those payments.

## ARTICLE 15

### ASSIGNMENT OF MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT; HEDGE AGREEMENTS

Section 15.1. ***Assignment of Management Agreement.***

(a) The Issuer, in furtherance of the covenants of this Indenture and as security for the Notes and amounts payable to the Secured Parties under this Indenture and the performance and observance of the provisions of this Indenture, acknowledges that its Grant pursuant to the



first Granting Clause includes all of the Issuer's interest in the Management Agreement, including:

- (i) the right to give all notices, consents, and releases under it,
- (ii) the right to give all notices of termination pursuant to the Management Agreement and to take any legal action upon the breach of an obligation of the Portfolio Manager under it, including the commencement, conduct, and consummation of proceedings at law or in equity,
- (iii) the right to receive all notices, accountings, consents, releases, and statements under it, and
- (iv) the right to do all other things whatsoever that the Issuer is or may be entitled to do under it.

Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, the Trustee may not exercise any of the rights in (i) through (iv) above or that may otherwise arise as a result of the Grant until the occurrence of an Event of Default under this Indenture and the authority shall terminate when the Event of Default is cured or waived.

(b) The assignment made hereby is executed as security, and the execution and delivery hereby shall not in any way impair or diminish the obligations of the Issuer under the Management Agreement, nor shall any of the obligations contained in the Management Agreement be imposed on the Trustee.

(c) Upon the retirement of the Notes and the Class 1 Component and the release of the Collateral and the Class 1 Collateral from the lien of this Indenture, this assignment, and all rights in this Indenture assigned to the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders shall cease and terminate and all the interest of the Trustee in the Management Agreement shall revert to the Issuer and no further instrument or act shall be necessary to evidence the termination and reversion.

(d) The Issuer represents that the Issuer has not executed any other assignment of the Management Agreement.

(e) The Issuer agrees that this assignment is irrevocable, and that it shall not take any action that is inconsistent with this assignment or make any other assignment inconsistent herewith. The Issuer shall, from time to time upon the request of the Trustee, execute all instruments of further assurance and all such supplemental instruments with respect to this assignment as the Trustee may reasonably request.

(f) The Issuer agrees to obtain the agreement and consent of the Portfolio Manager in the Management Agreement to the following:

- (i) The Portfolio Manager consents to this collateral assignment and agrees to perform any provisions of this Indenture made expressly applicable to the Portfolio Manager pursuant to the Management Agreement.
- (ii) The Portfolio Manager acknowledges that the Issuer is collaterally assigning all of its interest in the Management Agreement to the Trustee for the benefit

of the Secured Parties and the Portfolio Manager agrees that all of the representations, covenants and agreements made by the Portfolio Manager in the Management Agreement are also for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

(iii) The Portfolio Manager shall deliver to the Trustee duplicate original copies of all notices, statements, communications, and instruments delivered or required to be delivered to the Issuer pursuant to the Management Agreement (other than any of them delivered to the Issuer by the Trustee or the Collateral Administrator).

(iv) Neither the Issuer nor the Portfolio Manager shall select or consent to a successor manager or enter into any agreement amending, modifying, or terminating the Management Agreement (other than an amendment or modification of the type that may be made to this Indenture without Holder consent) without obtaining the consents of the Insurer and Holders that would be required if an amendment or modification of the same type were being made to this Indenture and without the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency with respect thereto.

(v) Except as otherwise provided in this Indenture and the Management Agreement, subject to the resignation rights of the Portfolio Manager pursuant to Section 12 of the Management Agreement, the Portfolio Manager shall continue to serve as Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement notwithstanding that the Portfolio Manager shall not have received amounts due it under the Management Agreement because sufficient funds were not then available under this Indenture to pay the amounts pursuant to the Priority of Payments. The Portfolio Manager agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer for the nonpayment of the fees or other amounts payable by the Administrative Agent to the Portfolio Manager under the Management Agreement until the payment in full of all Notes issued under this Indenture and the payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent of all amounts payable with respect to the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the expiration of a period equal to the greater of (A) the applicable preference period plus one day or (B) one year and one day following the payment. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Portfolio Manager may commence any legal action that is not a bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation, or similar proceeding against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any of their properties and may take any action it deems appropriate at any time in any bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation, or similar proceeding and any other Proceeding voluntarily commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or involuntarily commenced against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by anyone other than the Portfolio Manager or any Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager.

(vi) The Portfolio Manager irrevocably submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or federal court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Notes, the Preference Shares or this Indenture, and the Portfolio Manager irrevocably agrees that all claims in respect of the action or proceeding may be heard and determined in the New York State or federal court. The Portfolio Manager irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent it may legally do so, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of the action or proceeding. The Portfolio Manager irrevocably consents to the service of all process in any action or Proceeding by the mailing or delivery of copies of the process to it the address provided for in Section 14.3. The Portfolio Manager agrees that a final and non-appealable judgment by a court of competent jurisdiction in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be

enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

(g) Following the resignation or removal of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer shall use its best efforts to appoint a successor Portfolio Manager, and the Issuer, the Trustee, and the resigning or removed Portfolio Manager shall take any action consistent with the Management Agreement and this Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager, necessary to effectuate any such succession.

## Section 15.2. *Hedge Agreements.*

(a) At any time and from time to time after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, shall enter into the Hedge Agreements and shall assign its rights (but none of its obligations) under the Hedge Agreements to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture and the Collateral Assignment of Hedge Agreements. The Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, shall obtain the approval of each new Hedge Agreement from each Hedge Counterparty to a then-existing Hedge Agreement. The Trustee shall, on behalf of the Issuer and in accordance with the Valuation Report, pay amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements on any Payment Date in accordance with Section 11.1.

(b) The Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless at the time of entering the Hedge Agreement the Hedge Counterparty has:

(i) a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "Aa3" (which rating of "Aa3" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) or higher if the Hedge Counterparty has only a long-term rating; or a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "A1" (which rating of "A1" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) or higher and a debt rating by Moody's for short-term debt of "P-1" (which rating of "P-1" is not on credit watch for possible downgrade) if the Hedge Counterparty has both long-term and short-term ratings; and

(ii) a short-term debt rating by S&P of not less than "A-1" or a long-term debt rating of not less than "A+" (the "**Required Rating**").

(c) If at any time a Hedge Counterparty has:

(A) no short-term Moody's rating and a long-term Moody's rating and that rating is below "Aa3" or is "Aa3" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's; or

(B) both a short-term and long-term Moody's rating; and either:

(i) the long-term Moody's rating is below "A1" or that rating is "A1" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's, or

(ii) the short-term Moody's rating is below "P-1" or that rating is "P-1" and has been placed on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's

then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within 30 days, either:

- (i) post collateral with the Trustee to secure the Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement, in an amount and of the type sufficient to cause the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's to be satisfied;
  - (ii) obtain a guarantor whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the above criteria;
  - (iii) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty whose short-term and long-term debt ratings equal or exceed the above criteria; or
  - (iv) take other actions to satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's;
- (d) If at any time the Hedge Counterparty has:
- (A) no short-term Moody's rating and a long-term Moody's rating that is "A2" or below or has been suspended or withdrawn;
  - (B) both a short-term and long-term Moody's rating; and either:
    - (i) the long-term Moody's rating is "A3" or below or is suspended or withdrawn, or
    - (ii) the short-term Moody's rating is "P-2" or below, or
  - (C) a short-term debt rating by S&P below "A-1" or, if the Hedge Counterparty has no short-term rating by S&P, a long-term rating by S&P below "A+" or that has been suspended or withdrawn;

then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within 30 days, either:

- (i) post collateral as required by the Hedge Agreement to secure the Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement in an amount and of the type sufficient to cause the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's and S&P to be satisfied; or
- (ii) (x) obtain a guarantor that has a Required Rating and that will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P with respect to its appointment;

(y) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has a Required Rating and the appointment of which will satisfy the Rating Condition with respect to S&P; or

(z) take such other actions to satisfy the Ratings Condition.

(e) If the Issuer has the right under a Hedge Agreement at any time to demand that the related Hedge Counterparty deliver Eligible Collateral in accordance with an Approved Credit Support Document, the Issuer shall make the demand.

(f) Any payments required to be made under the Hedge Agreements shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Subordinated Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments shall be subordinate to interest and principal payments on the Notes and any other payments required to be made by the Issuer under the Hedge Agreements, but senior to distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares.

(g) Except as provided in paragraph (h) of this Section 15.2, the Issuer, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager, shall, promptly following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) (but no later than 60 days after the early termination), at the expense of the Issuer and to the extent possible through application of Hedge Termination Receipts, enter into a Replacement Hedge, unless, in the exercise of the Portfolio Manager's commercially reasonable judgment, to do so would not be in the best interest of the Issuer and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the non-entry into the a Replacement Hedge. In addition, a Replacement Hedge may not be entered into unless the Issuer provides the Rating Agencies with at least seven Business Days' prior written notice of its intention to enter into the agreement, together with its form and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the Replacement Hedge. The Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than a termination resulting from the bankruptcy, insolvency, or similar event with respect to the Hedge Counterparty) to become effective simultaneously with its entering into a Replacement Hedge. To the extent that (i) the Portfolio Manager determines not to replace the Hedge Agreement and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the determination; or (ii) termination is occurring on a Redemption Date, the Hedge Termination Receipts shall become part of Principal Proceeds and be distributed in accordance with Section 11.1 on the next following Payment Date (or on the Redemption Date, if the Notes are redeemed on the Redemption Date).

(h) Notwithstanding Section 15.2(g), the applicable requirements of Section 15.2(g) shall not have to be met if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is otherwise satisfied with respect thereto.

(i) The notional amounts of the Hedge Agreements outstanding at any time may be reduced or increased from time to time, by the Issuer, and the Hedge Agreements may be amended, modified, or terminated in accordance with the Hedge Agreements if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the reduction, increase, amendment, modification, or termination, as the case may be.

(j) Each Hedge Agreement may be terminated pursuant to its terms upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes or an acceleration of maturity of the Notes after an Event of Default. The Hedge Agreement will not be permitted to be terminated as the result of a Default or Event of Default unless any acceleration of maturity of the Notes resulting from the Event of Default is no longer permitted to be rescinded pursuant to this Indenture.

(k) Except for Hedge Agreements entered into on or before the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied.

## ARTICLE 16

### THE POLICY

#### Section 16.1. *Miscellaneous.*

(a) So long as no Insurer Default shall have occurred and be continuing, (i) the Trustee shall provide the Insurer copies of each report, notice, Opinion of Counsel, officer's certificate, request for consent or request for amendment to any document related hereto that the Trustee is required to send to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, any Holder of Securities, the Rating Agencies or the Portfolio Manager promptly upon the Trustee's production or receipt thereof (in each case, to the extent the Insurer is not expressly required to be provided such document directly or to the extent that another party is not responsible for delivery of such document directly to the Insurer), (ii) the Co-Issuers shall provide the Insurer copies of each report, notice, Issuer Order, Opinion of Counsel, officer's certificate, request for consent or request for amendment to any document related hereto that the Issuer is required to send to the Trustee, any Holder of Securities, the Rating Agencies or the Portfolio Manager promptly upon the Co-Issuers' production or receipt thereof (in each case, to the extent the Co-Issuers are not expressly required to be provided such document directly or to the extent that another party is not responsible for delivery of such document directly to the Insurer) and (iii) the Trustee shall forward to the Insurer upon receipt (x) a copy of any notice or order received from the Portfolio Manager pursuant to (A) clause (i) of the definition of "Reinvestment Period", (B) Section 7.19(e) and (C) Section 9.5 or (y) a copy of any instrument received from any Paying Agent pursuant to Section 7.3. All references to the rights of the Insurer to act as the Controlling Class, the Majority of the Controlling Class and the Super Majority of the Controlling Class herein (including, with respect to any action proposed to be taken by the Trustee, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or any Person, any requirements that the consent or approval of the Insurer be obtained in connection with the taking of such action) shall exist only so long as (i) the Insured Notes are Outstanding or any Accrued Insurance Liabilities are due and owing to the Insurer (it being understood that such right shall be reinstated if an Avoided Payment is made for so long as any such Avoided Payment is pending during the applicable statutory preference period or, if the Insurer is required to pay the amount of any such Avoided Payment, for so long as any Accrued Insurance Liabilities owing to the Insurer have not been paid in full), (ii) no Insurer Default has occurred and is continuing and (iii) the Policy has not been delivered for cancellation in accordance with Sections 16.8 and 16.9. The satisfaction of clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) of the foregoing sentence shall entitle the Insurer to exercise the rights of the Controlling Class, the Majority of the Controlling Class and the Super Majority of the Controlling Class and to take all such other action to grant or withhold consent to actions proposed to be taken by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer to the extent expressly granted to the Controlling Class, the Majority of the Controlling Class and the Super Majority of the Controlling Class in this Indenture. From and after the date on which the Policy expires in

accordance with its terms and all Accrued Insurance Liabilities and any other amounts owing to the Insurer under this Indenture and the Insurance Documents have been paid in full, the Insurer shall have no rights or benefits as the Controlling Class, the Majority of the Controlling Class and the Super Majority of the Controlling Class hereunder.

(b) So long as the conditions set forth in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) of the second sentence of Section 16.1(a) are satisfied, the Insurer shall have the right to exercise all rights of the Holders of the Insured Notes hereunder or under the Management Agreement (other than the right to grant or withhold any consent under Section 8.2) without any consent of such Holders, and such Holders may exercise such rights (other than the right to grant or withhold any consent under Section 8.2) only with the prior written consent of the Insurer.

Section 16.2. ***Representative of the Noteholder of the Insured Notes.***

Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, so long as the Insurer is the Controlling Class, the Insurer shall have the right (to the exclusion of the Holders of the Insured Notes) to direct the Trustee as to any and all remedies to be sought or taken on behalf of the Holders of the Insured Notes under this Indenture and the Trustee shall not exercise any such remedies unless directed by the Insurer to the extent the Holders of the Insured Notes could control the actions of the Trustee. Each Holder of an Insured Note shall be deemed to have consented to the Insurer's rights hereunder. At such time as there exists and is continuing an Insurer Default the Trustee shall not be bound to continue to comply with any term or condition of this Indenture that requires the consent of or approval or direction from the Insurer.

In addition, the Insurer may exercise any rights and remedies that are available to such Holders of Insured Notes at law or in equity on its own behalf as the representative of the Holders of the Insured Notes, including, without limitation, under the Securities Act and/or the Exchange Act at any time and without preconditions or the further consent of any such Holders of Insured Notes or the Trustee. All proceeds received by Holders of the Insured Notes arising out of any proceeding at law or equity conducted by the Insurer as representative of the Holders of the Insured Notes (including any settlement proceeds in respect of any such proceeding) shall be paid over by such Noteholders to the Trustee and shall be applied by the Trustee to (A) first, make a payment to the Insurer of any amount then due and payable under the Insurance Agreement and (B) second, redeem the Insured Notes at par plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon.

Section 16.3. ***Drawings under Policy.***

(a) If by 11:00 a.m., on the date (a "**Deficiency Notice Date**") that is the third Business Day prior to any Payment Date, the amount then on deposit and available for distribution (or scheduled to be on deposit and available for distribution on such a Payment Date) in the Collection Account is insufficient (based on the information set forth in the Valuation Report prepared as of the Determination Date related to such Payment Date) to pay the Insured Amount (as defined in the Policy) in respect of the Insured Notes on such Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments (the amounts of such deficiency, the "**Deficiency Amount**"), the Trustee shall:

(i) no later than 12:00 noon, New York City time, on the Deficiency Notice Date, give notice (which notice is in the appropriate form and delivered in the manner specified in the Policy) to the Insurer, specifying therein the Deficiency

Amount, and thereupon submit a notice of drawing under the Policy in such amount, all in accordance with the terms of this Indenture and in compliance with the terms of the Policy; and

(ii) on the date on which the Trustee receives payment under the Policy from the Insurer (but not earlier than the applicable Payment Date) in respect of the Deficiency Amount (so long as such payment is received by the Trustee by 10:00 a.m., New York City time, on the applicable Payment Date), pay over to each Holder of an Insured Note, for application by such Holder to amounts due in respect of such Holder's Insured Notes due on the related Payment Date, such Holder's ratable share of the amounts so received by the Trustee.

Any payment by the Insurer under the Policy in respect of amounts due on the Insured Notes shall be applied solely to the payment of amounts due on the Insured Notes.

(b) The Trustee agrees to furnish to the Insurer upon its reasonable request copies of the Trustee's records evidencing the payment of amounts due on the Insured Notes that have been made by the Trustee and subsequently recovered from Holders of the Insured Notes, and the dates on which such payments were made.

(c) The Trustee shall be entitled to enforce on behalf of the Holders of the Insured Notes the obligations of the Insurer under the Policy. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the Holders of the Insured Notes are not entitled to make any claims under the Policy or institute proceedings directly against the Insurer.

(d) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, any payment of interest or principal with respect to the Insured Notes made by or on behalf of the Insurer shall not be deemed to be a payment made by the Issuer and shall remain due for payment until payments in respect of such amounts are made by the Issuer in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Subject to and conditional upon payment of any interest or principal with respect to the Insured Notes by or on behalf of the Insurer, the Trustee shall assign to the Insurer all rights to the payment of interest or principal on or with respect to the Insured Notes, which are then due for payment to the extent of all payments made by the Insurer, and the Insurer may exercise any option, vote, right or power to the extent it has made a principal payment pursuant to the Policy in addition to its other rights hereunder. The Trustee and each Holder of an Insured Note by its purchase thereof agrees that the Insurer shall be subrogated to all of the rights to payment of such Holders or in relation thereto to the extent that any payment of principal or interest on or in respect of the Insured Notes was made to such Holders with payments made under the Policy by the Insurer.

#### Section 16.4. ***Preference Claims and Insolvency Proceedings.***

(a) In the event the Trustee receives a certified copy of an order of the appropriate court that an amount due on an Insured Note constitutes an Avoided Payment, unless the Policy has been terminated in accordance with Section 16.8, the Trustee shall so notify the Insurer, shall comply with the provisions of the Policy to obtain payment from the Insurer of such Avoided Payment, and shall, at the time it provides notice to the Insurer, notify the Holders of the Insured Notes that, in the event that any such Holder's payment is so recoverable, such Holder shall be entitled to payment pursuant to the terms of the Policy. The Trustee shall furnish to the Insurer copies of its records evidencing the payments of amounts due on the Insured Notes, if any, that have been made by the Trustee and subsequently recovered from



Holders of such Notes, and the dates on which such payments were made. The Insurer, however, shall not be obligated to make any payment in respect of any Insured Amount representing a payment of principal avoided as preference prior to the time the Insurer would have been required to make payment in respect of such principal pursuant to the Policy. Pursuant to the terms of the Policy, the Insurer shall make such payment on behalf of such Holders to the receiver, conservator, debtor-in-possession or trustee in bankruptcy named in the Order (as defined in the Policy) and not to the Trustee or any such Holder directly (unless the Trustee or any such Holder, as the case may be, has previously paid such preference amount to the receiver, conservator, debtor-in-possession or trustee in bankruptcy named in such Order, in which case the Insurer shall make such payment to the Trustee or such Holder, as in the case may be, in accordance with the Policy for distribution to such Holder upon proof of such payment reasonably satisfactory to the Insurer). In the event the Policy is terminated in accordance with Section 16.8, the Insurer will have no further liability under the Policy or otherwise with respect to the Avoided Payment.

(b) The Trustee shall promptly notify the Insurer of any proceeding or the institution of any action (of which the Trustee has actual knowledge) (i) seeking the avoidance as a preferential transfer under the Bankruptcy Code or other applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, rehabilitation or similar law (a "**Preference Claim**") of any distribution made with respect to any amount due on an Insured Note or (ii) the commencement of any proceeding by or against the Issuer commenced under the Bankruptcy Code or other applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, rehabilitation or similar law (an "**Insolvency Proceeding**"). Each Holder of an Insured Note, by its purchase thereof, and the Trustee hereby agree that, so long as a Insurer Default shall not have occurred and be continuing, the Insurer may at any time during the continuation of any proceeding relating to a Preference Claim in respect of the Insured Notes or Insolvency Proceeding direct all matters relating to such Preference Claim or Insolvency Proceeding, as applicable, including, without limitation, (i) the direction of any appeal of any order relating to any such Preference Claim or Insolvency Proceeding, as applicable, and (ii) the posting of any surety or supersedeas performance bond pending any such appeal. In addition, and without limitation of the foregoing, as set forth in Section 16.5, the Insurer shall be subrogated to, and each Holder of the Insured Notes and the Trustee hereby delegates and assigns, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the rights of the Trustee and such Holder in the conduct of any proceeding with respect to such a Preference Claim or Insolvency Proceeding, as applicable, including, without limitation, all rights of any party to an adversary proceeding action with respect to any court order issued in connection with any such Preference Claim or Insolvency Proceeding, as applicable.

#### Section 16.5. ***Subrogation.***

Anything in this Indenture to the contrary notwithstanding, any payment with respect to the principal of or interest on or with respect to the Insured Notes that is made with monies received pursuant to the terms of the Policy shall not be considered payment by the Issuer of the Insured Notes and shall not discharge the Issuer in respect of its obligation to make such payment. The Issuer and the Trustee acknowledge that, without the need for any further action on the part of the Insurer, the Issuer, the Trustee or any other Person, to the extent that the Insurer makes payment directly or indirectly on account of principal of or interest on or with respect to the Insured Notes to the Holders thereof, (i) the Insurer shall be fully subrogated to the rights of such Holders to receive such principal and interest from the Issuer and (ii) the Insurer shall be paid such principal and interest in its capacity as Holder of the Insured Notes but only from the sources and in the manner provided in this Indenture for the payment of such principal and interest in accordance with the Priority of Payments; provided, however, that such

subrogation rights shall terminate upon the termination of the Policy pursuant to Section 16.8(b).

Section 16.6. ***Policy Payment Account.***

The Trustee shall, on or prior to the Closing Date, establish in the name of the Trustee a single, segregated trust account which shall be designated as the Policy Payment Account (the "**Policy Payment Account**"), that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Holders of the Insured Notes, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and sole right of withdrawal. The Trustee shall deposit all amounts received from the Insurer under the Policy in the Policy Payment Account. Amounts held in the Policy Payment Account shall not be invested, unless otherwise instructed in writing by the Insurer. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Policy Payment Account shall be to make payments in respect of the amounts due on the Insured Notes on the related Payment Date in respect of which such funds are paid, to the extent such amounts are not paid pursuant to the Priority of Payments. Any monies held in the Policy Payment Account after the distributions made pursuant to this Section 16.6 on any Payment Date shall promptly be remitted (but in no event later than two Business Days after such Payment Date) to the Insurer.

Section 16.7. ***Limited Recourse; Non-Petition.***

The Insurer hereby acknowledges and agrees that the Issuer's obligations under the Insurance Agreement and the Premium Letter shall be solely the obligations of the Issuer, and the Insurer shall not have any recourse to any director, officer, agent, member, limited partner, general partner or Affiliate of the Issuer with respect to any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations in connection with any transactions contemplated thereby. Recourse in respect of any obligations of the Issuer under the Insurance Agreement and the Premium Letter shall be limited to the Collateral applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments and on the exhaustion thereof all claims against the Issuer thereunder or any transactions contemplated thereby shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. In addition, the Insurer agrees that it shall not institute against the Issuer any bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, receivership or similar proceeding so long as any Securities (including the Insured Notes) shall be Outstanding and there shall have elapsed one year plus one day or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect since the last day on which any Securities (including the Insured Notes) shall have been Outstanding; provided that, the Insurer may become a party to and participate in any such proceeding applicable to the Issuer that is initiated by any Person that is not an Affiliate of the Insurer. The agreements contained in this paragraph shall survive the termination of the Insurance Agreement and the Premium Letter and the payment of all obligations under this Indenture.

Section 16.8. ***Termination of the Policy.***

(a) The Policy may be terminated on any Payment Date if: (x) after giving effect to all payments to be made on such Payment Date, all Accrued Insurance Liabilities and all Administrative Expenses payable to the Insurer accrued through the date of termination have been paid and all Premium accrued through such Payment Date has been paid and (y) any of the following events has occurred and is continuing on such date:

- (i) the Co-Issuers have elected to extend the Reinvestment Period pursuant to Section 2.4 and have satisfied all of the requirements related thereto (including each

of the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.4(c)), other than obtaining the consent of the Insurer to such Extension, and the Insurer has and continues to object to such Extension, and the Holders of 100% of the Insured Notes (after giving effect to the sale of any Insured Notes which are Extension Sale Securities in connection with the proposed Maturity Extension) consent to such termination in accordance with Section 16.9;

(ii) the Co-Issuers have proposed to enter into a supplemental indenture pursuant to Article 8 and have satisfied all of the requirements for the effectiveness thereof, and the Insurer has and continues to object to such amendment and 100% of the Holders of the Insured Notes consent to such termination in accordance with Section 16.9; or

(iii) the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser shall have purchased the Insured Notes for the applicable Removal Buy-Out Purchase Price pursuant to Section 9.7.

(b) If none of the conditions set forth in clause (a)(i) through (iii) above are satisfied, the Policy may be terminated on any Business Day if 100% of the Holders of the Insured Notes consent to such termination in accordance with Section 16.9.

(c) In connection with a termination of the Policy pursuant to Section 16.8(a), any Administrative Expenses payable to the Insurer arising after termination of the Policy shall remain payable from Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds in accordance with the Priority of Payments. In connection with a termination of the Policy pursuant to Section 16.8(b), Premium through the date of termination of the Policy and all Administrative Expenses payable to the Insurer shall remain payable from Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds in accordance with the Priority of Payments. In connection with a termination of the Policy pursuant to Section 16.8(b), the rights of the Insurer pursuant to Section 16.3(d) and Section 16.5 to be subrogated to the rights of the Holders of the Insured Notes to the extent of any payment of principal or interest on or with respect of the Insured Notes shall terminate, and the Holders of the Insured Notes shall be entitled to the payment of such interest or principal. In connection with any termination of the Policy pursuant to this Section 16.8, the Insurer will continue to be entitled to any Extension Bonus Payment so long as such Extension Bonus Payment was due and payable prior to the termination of the Policy.

(d) Upon termination of the Policy in accordance with the terms of this Section 16.8, (i) all rights of the Insurer to receive notices hereunder shall survive such termination and (ii) no provision hereof (including, without limitation, the Priority of Payments and this Section 16.8) may be amended or otherwise modified in any manner adverse to the Insurer without the prior written consent of the Insurer.

(e) Upon termination of the Policy in accordance with the terms of this Section 16.8, the Insurer shall have no further liability for losses, claims, demands, damages, controversies, losses, costs and expenses of any nature whatsoever, known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, fixed or contingent, under the Policy as of the date of such termination, whether such losses, claims, demands, damages, controversies, losses, costs and expenses occurred prior to or subsequent to the date of such termination, and whether in connection with an Avoided Payment or other amount that has been paid by the Issuer or the Insurer prior to or after termination of the Policy and subsequently is required to be returned as a preference or otherwise.

Section 16.9. ***Termination Procedures.***

(a) If the Issuer or the Holders of at least 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Insured Notes wish to solicit the vote of the Holders of the Insured Notes in connection with a proposed termination of the Policy pursuant to Section 16.8, the Issuer or such Holders shall notify the Trustee at least 45 days prior to the proposed termination date (which in the case of a termination pursuant to Section 16.8(a) must be a Payment Date). If the conditions for termination specified in Section 16.8 are satisfied as of the date of such notice (or are expected to be satisfied as of the proposed date of termination), as certified to the Trustee by an Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, promptly upon receipt thereof, notify the Issuer (in the case of notice to the Trustee by the requisite Holders of the Insured Notes), the Portfolio Manager, and the Insurer and shall send to all Holders of the Insured Notes (with a copy to the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and the Insurer) a notice of proposed termination that shall state:

1. the notice is being sent at the request of the Issuer or certain Holders of the Insured Notes (as applicable) who wish to solicit the vote of the Holders of the Insured Notes in connection with a termination of the Policy pursuant to Section 16.8;
2. a copy of the Issuer Order stating that the proposed termination is pursuant to Section 16.8(a)(i), Section 16.8(a)(ii), Section 16.8(a)(iii) or Section 16.8(b), and any conditions to such proposed termination have been satisfied;
3. the proposed date of termination (which in the case of a termination pursuant to Section 16.8(a) must be a Payment Date);
4. that from and after termination of the Policy, the Insured Notes will bear interest at a rate of LIBOR + 0.25% + the Premium Rate; and
5. that if the Policy is terminated, the Insurer shall have no further liability for losses, claims, demands, damages, controversies, losses, costs and expenses of any nature whatsoever, known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, fixed or contingent, under the Policy as of the date of such termination, whether such losses, claims, demands, damages, controversies, losses, costs and expenses occurred prior to or subsequent to the date of such termination, and whether in connection with an Avoided Payment or other amount that has been paid by the Issuer or the Insurer prior to or after the termination of the Policy and subsequently is required to be returned as a preference or otherwise.

(b) Each Holder of the Insured Notes that wishes to terminate the Policy must notify the Issuer and Trustee in writing of such determination within 10 Business Days after delivery of the notice of proposed termination. If the Trustee and the Issuer have not received written notification from all of the Holders of the Insured Notes within 10 Business Days of delivery of notice of proposed termination, the solicitation of the vote of the Holders of the Notes will be deemed not to have succeeded. The Trustee shall promptly forward to the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and the Insurer the solicitation of votes received from the Holders of the Insured Notes. If all Holders of the Insured Notes notify the Issuer and the Trustee that they wish to terminate the Policy, the Issuer shall issue an Issuer Order instructing the Trustee to:

1. surrender the Policy to the Insurer for cancellation on the date of termination;

2. promptly notify each Rating Agency of such termination; and
3. execute, acknowledge and deliver (at the expense of Issuer) such other documents or instruments as the Insurer may reasonably request evidencing the termination of the Policy.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have set our hands as of the day and year first written above.

EXECUTED AS A DEED BY

**SOUTHFORK CLO LTD.,**  
AS ISSUER

By: 

Name: **Phillip Hinds**  
Title: **Director**

**SOUTHFORK CLO CORP.,**  
AS CO-ISSUER

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

Name: **Donald J. Puglisi**  
Title: **President**

**ASSURED GUARANTY CORP.,**  
AS INSURER

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

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

**JPMORGAN CHASE BANK,**  
**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,**  
AS TRUSTEE AND AS CUSTODIAN

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

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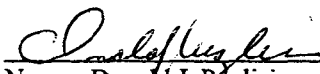
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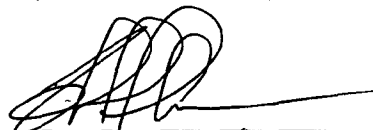
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By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name:  
Title:

**JPMORGAN CHASE BANK,**  
**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,**  
AS TRUSTEE AND AS CUSTODIAN

By:   
Name: Richard W. Johnson  
Title: Vice President

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Title: Vice President

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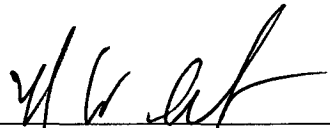
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By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Donald J. Puglisi  
Title: President

**ASSURED GUARANTY CORP.,**  
AS INSURER

By:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Howard W. Albert  
Title: Chief Underwriting & Risk  
Officer

**JPMORGAN CHASE BANK,**  
**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,**  
AS TRUSTEE AND AS CUSTODIAN

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Schedule 1

**List of Collateral Obligations**

Schedule 2

**Moody's Industry Classification Group List**

**Aerospace and Defense:** Major Contractor, Subsystems, Research, Aircraft Manufacturing, Arms, Ammunition

**Automobile:** Automotive Equipment, Auto-Manufacturing, Auto Parts Manufacturing, Personal Use Trailers, Motor Homes, Dealers

**Banking:** Bank Holding, Savings and Loans, Consumer Credit, Small Loan, Agency, Factoring, Receivables

**Beverage, Food and Tobacco:** Beer and Ale, Distillers, Wines and Liquors, Distributors, Soft Drink Syrup, Bottling, Bakery, Mill Sugar, Canned Foods, Corn Refiners, Dairy Products, Meat Products, Poultry Products, Snacks, Packaged Foods, Distributors, Candy, Gum, Seafood, Frozen Food, Cigarettes, Cigars, Leaf/Snuff, Vegetable Oil

**Buildings and Real Estate:** Brick, Cement, Climate Controls, Contracting, Engineering, Construction, Hardware, Forest Products (building-related only), Plumbing, Roofing, Wallboard, Real Estate, Real Estate Development, REITs, Land Development

**Chemicals, Plastics and Rubber:** Chemicals (non-agriculture), Industrial Gases, Sulfur, Plastics, Plastic Products, Abrasives, Coatings, Paints, Varnish, Fabricating

**Containers, Packaging and Glass:** Glass, Fiberglass, Containers made of: Glass, Metal, Paper, Plastic, Wood or Fiberglass

**Personal and Non Durable Consumer Products (Manufacturing Only):** Soaps, Perfumes, Cosmetics, Toiletries, Cleaning Supplies, School Supplies

**Diversified/Conglomerate Manufacturing**

**Diversified/Conglomerate Service**

**Diversified Natural Resources, Precious Metals and Minerals:** Fabricating, Distribution, Mining and Sales

**Ecological:** Pollution Control, Waste Removal, Waste Treatment, Waste Disposal **Electronics:** Computer Hardware, Electric Equipment, Components, Controllers, Motors, Household Appliances, Information Service, Communication Systems, Radios, TVs, Tape Machines, Speakers, Printers, Drivers, Technology

**Finance:** Investment Brokerage, Leasing, Syndication, Securities

**Farming and Agriculture:** Livestock, Grains, Produce, Agricultural Chemicals, Agricultural Equipment, Fertilizers

**Grocery:** Grocery Stores, Convenience Food Stores

**Healthcare, Education and Childcare:** Ethical Drugs, Proprietary Drugs, Research, Health Care Centers, Nursing Homes, HMOs, Hospitals, Hospital Supplies, Medical Equipment

**Home and Office Furnishings, Housedress, and Durable Consumer Products:** Carpets, Floor Coverings, Furniture, Cooking, Ranges

**Hotels, Motels, Inns and Gaming**

**Insurance:** Life, Property and Casualty, Broker, Agent, Surety

**Leisure, Amusement, Entertainment:** Boating, Bowling, Billiards, Musical Instruments, Fishing, Photo Equipment, Records, Tapes, Sports, Outdoor Equipment (camping), Tourism, Resorts, Games, Toy Manufacturing, Motion Picture Production, Theatres, Motion Picture Distribution

**Machinery (Non-Agriculture, Non-Construction, Non-Electronic):** Industrial, Machine Tools, Steam Generators

**Mining, Steel, Iron and Non-Precious Metals:** Coal, Copper, Lead, Uranium, Zinc, Aluminum, Stainless Steel, Integrated Steel, Ore Production, Refractories, Steel Mill Machinery, Mini-Mills, Fabricating, Distribution and Sales

**Oil and Gas:** Crude Producer, Retailer, Well Supply, Service and Drilling

**Personal, Food and Miscellaneous**

**Printing and Publishing:** Graphic Arts, Paper, Paper Products, Business Forms, Magazines, Books, Periodicals, Newspapers, Textbooks

**Cargo Transport:** Rail, Shipping, Railroads, Rail-car Builders, Ship Builders, Containers, Container Builders, Parts, Overnight Mail, Trucking, Truck Manufacturing, Trailer Manufacturing, Air Cargo, Transport

**Retail Stores:** Apparel, Toy, Variety, Drugs, Department, Mail Order Catalogue, Showroom

**Structured Finance**

**Telecommunications:** Local, Long Distance, Independent, Telephone, Telegraph, Satellite, Equipment, Research, Cellular

**Textiles and Leather:** Producer, Synthetic Fiber, Apparel Manufacturer, Leather Shoes

**Personal Transportation:** Air, Bus, Rail, Car, Rental

**Utilities:** Electric, Water, Hydro Power, Gas, Diversified

**Broadcasting and Entertainment:** Recording Industry, Motion Exhibition Theatres, Motion Picture Production and Distribution, Radio, TV, Cable Broadcasting, Broadcasting Equipment

Schedule 3

**S&P Industry Classifications**

Corporate Obligations

0. Zero Default Risk
1. Aerospace & Defense
2. Air transport
3. Automotive
4. Beverage & Tobacco
5. Radio & Television
6. Brokerages, Dealers & Investment houses
7. Building & Development
8. Business equipment & services
9. Cable & satellite television
10. Chemical & plastics
11. Clothing/textiles
12. Conglomerates
13. Containers & glass products
14. Cosmetics/toiletries
15. Drugs
16. Ecological services & equipment
17. Electronics/electrical
18. Equipment leasing
19. Farming/agriculture
20. Financial Intermediaries
21. Food/drug retailers
22. Food products
23. Food service
24. Forest products
25. Health care
26. Home furnishings
27. Lodging & casinos
28. Industrial equipment
29. Insurance
30. Leisure goods/activities/movies
31. Nonferrous metals/minerals
32. Oil & gas
33. Publishing
34. Rail Industries
35. Retailers (except food & drug)
36. Steel
37. Surface transport
38. Telecommunications
39. Utilities

Corporate Structured Obligations

50. CDOs

Structured Obligations

- 51. ABS Consumer
- 52. ABS Commercial
- 53. CMBS Diversified (Conduit and CTL)
- 54. CMBS (Large Loan, Single Borrower, and Single Property)
- 55. REITs and REOCs
- 56. RMBS A
- 57. RMBS B&C, HELs, HELOCs, and Tax Lien
- 58. Manufactured Housing
- 59. U.S. Agency (Explicitly Guaranteed)
- 60. Monoline/FER Guaranteed
- 61. Non-FER Company Guaranteed
- 62. FFELP Student Loans (Over 70% FFELP)
- 63. CLO of SME's

Schedule 4**Diversity Score Calculation**

The Diversity Score for the Collateral Obligations is calculated by summing each of the Industry Diversity Scores, which are calculated as follows:

(i) An "***Obligor Par Amount***" is calculated for each obligor represented in the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) by summing the par amounts of all Collateral Obligations in the Collateral (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) issued by that obligor or any Affiliate of that obligor (other than obligors that the Portfolio Manager reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(ii) An "***Average Par Amount***" is calculated by summing the Obligor Par Amounts and dividing by the number of obligors represented. For purposes of calculating the number of issuers of the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations), any issuers Affiliated with one another shall be considered one issuer (other than obligors that the Portfolio Manager reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(iii) An "***Equivalent Unit Score***" is calculated for each obligor represented in the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) by taking the lesser of (A) one and (B) the Obligor Par Amount for the obligor *divided* by the Average Par Amount. For purposes of calculating the Equivalent Unit Score, any issuers Affiliated with one another shall be considered one issuer (other than obligors that the Portfolio Manager reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).

(iv) An "***Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score***" is then calculated for each of the Moody's industrial classification groups by summing the Equivalent Unit Scores for each obligor in the industry.

(v) An "***Industry Diversity Score***" is then established by reference to the Diversity Score Table shown below for the related Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score. If any Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score falls between any two the scores then the applicable Industry Diversity Score shall be the lower of the two Industry Diversity Scores in the Diversity Score Table.

**DIVERSITY SCORE TABLE**

<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>
0.0000	0.0000	5.0500	2.7000	10.1500	4.0200	15.2500	4.5300
0.0500	0.1000	5.1500	2.7333	10.2500	4.0300	15.3500	4.5400
0.1500	0.2000	5.2500	2.7667	10.3500	4.0400	15.4500	4.5500
0.2500	0.3000	5.3500	2.8000	10.4500	4.0500	15.5500	4.5600
0.3500	0.4000	5.4500	2.8333	10.5500	4.0600	15.6500	4.5700
0.4500	0.5000	5.5500	2.8667	10.6500	4.0700	15.7500	4.5800
0.5500	0.6000	5.6500	2.9000	10.7500	4.0800	15.8500	4.5900
0.6500	0.7000	5.7500	2.9333	10.8500	4.0900	15.9500	4.6000
0.7500	0.8000	5.8500	2.9667	10.9500	4.1000	16.0500	4.6100
0.8500	0.9000	5.9500	3.0000	11.0500	4.1100	16.1500	4.6200
0.9500	1.0000	6.0500	3.0250	11.1500	4.1200	16.2500	4.6300
1.0500	1.0500	6.1500	3.0500	11.2500	4.1300	16.3500	4.6400
1.1500	1.1000	6.2500	3.0750	11.3500	4.1400	16.4500	4.6500
1.2500	1.1500	6.3500	3.1000	11.4500	4.1500	16.5500	4.6600
1.3500	1.2000	6.4500	3.1250	11.5500	4.1600	16.6500	4.6700
1.4500	1.2500	6.5500	3.1500	11.6500	4.1700	16.7500	4.6800
1.5500	1.3000	6.6500	3.1750	11.7500	4.1800	16.8500	4.6900
1.6500	1.3500	6.7500	3.2000	11.8500	4.1900	16.9500	4.7000
1.7500	1.4000	6.8500	3.2250	11.9500	4.2000	17.0500	4.7100
1.8500	1.4500	6.9500	3.2500	12.0500	4.2100	17.1500	4.7200
1.9500	1.5000	7.0500	3.2750	12.1500	4.2200	17.2500	4.7300
2.0500	1.5500	7.1500	3.3000	12.2500	4.2300	17.3500	4.7400
2.1500	1.6000	7.2500	3.3250	12.3500	4.2400	17.4500	4.7500
2.2500	1.6500	7.3500	3.3500	12.4500	4.2500	17.5500	4.7600
2.3500	1.7000	7.4500	3.3750	12.5500	4.2600	17.6500	4.7700
2.4500	1.7500	7.5500	3.4000	12.6500	4.2700	17.7500	4.7800
2.5500	1.8000	7.6500	3.4250	12.7500	4.2800	17.8500	4.7900
2.6500	1.8500	7.7500	3.4500	12.8500	4.2900	17.9500	4.8000
2.7500	1.9000	7.8500	3.4750	12.9500	4.3000	18.0500	4.8100
2.8500	1.9500	7.9500	3.5000	13.0500	4.3100	18.1500	4.8200
2.9500	2.0000	8.0500	3.5250	13.1500	4.3200	18.2500	4.8300
3.0500	2.0333	8.1500	3.5500	13.2500	4.3300	18.3500	4.8400
3.1500	2.0667	8.2500	3.5750	13.3500	4.3400	18.4500	4.8500
3.2500	2.1000	8.3500	3.6000	13.4500	4.3500	18.5500	4.8600
3.3500	2.1333	8.4500	3.6250	13.5500	4.3600	18.6500	4.8700

<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>	<b><u>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</u></b>	<b><u>Diversity Score</u></b>
3.4500	2.1667	8.5500	3.6500	13.6500	4.3700	18.7500	4.8800
3.5500	2.2000	8.6500	3.6750	13.7500	4.3800	18.8500	4.8900
3.6500	2.2333	8.7500	3.7000	13.8500	4.3900	18.9500	4.9000
3.7500	2.2667	8.8500	3.7250	13.9500	4.4000	19.0500	4.9100
3.8500	2.3000	8.9500	3.7500	14.0500	4.4100	19.1500	4.9200
3.9500	2.3333	9.0500	3.7750	14.1500	4.4200	19.2500	4.9300
4.0500	2.3667	9.1500	3.8000	14.2500	4.4300	19.3500	4.9400
4.1500	2.4000	9.2500	3.8250	14.3500	4.4400	19.4500	4.9500
4.2500	2.4333	9.3500	3.8500	14.4500	4.4500	19.5500	4.9600
4.3500	2.4667	9.4500	3.8750	14.5500	4.4600	19.6500	4.9700
4.4500	2.5000	9.5500	3.9000	14.6500	4.4700	19.7500	4.9800
4.5500	2.5333	9.6500	3.9250	14.7500	4.4800	19.8500	4.9900
4.6500	2.5667	9.7500	3.9500	14.8500	4.4900	19.9500	5.0000
4.7500	2.6000	9.8500	3.9750	14.9500	4.5000		
4.8500	2.6333	9.9500	4.0000	15.0500	4.5100		
4.9500	2.6667	10.0500	4.0100	15.1500	4.5200		



Schedule 5**Moody's Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates**

The Moody's Recovery Rate for a Structured Finance Obligation will be the applicable rate set forth below based on the appropriate sector as categorized by Moody's:

**Diversified Securities** primarily include (1) Automobile Securities; (2) Car Rental Receivable Securities; (3) Credit Card Securities; (4) Student Loan Securities

**Residential Securities** primarily include (1) Home Equity Loan Securities; (2) Manufactured Housing Securities; (3) Residential A Mortgage Securities; (4) Residential B/C Mortgage Securities

**Undiversified Securities** primarily include (1) CMBS Conduit; (2) CMBS Credit Tenant Lease; (3) CMBS Large Loan; (4) those ABS Sectors not included in Diversified Securities

**Collateralized Debt Obligations** include (1) High-diversity CDOs (Diversity Score in excess of 20); (2) Low-Diversity CDOs (Diversity Score of 20 or less)

**Diversified Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	Ba	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	70%	60%	50%	40%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	60%	50%	40%	30%
<=10%	70%	65%	55%	45%	35%	25%

**Residential Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	Ba	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10%	65%	55%	45%	40%	30%	20%

>5%						
<=5%	55%	45%	40%	35%	25%	15%
>2%						
<=2%	45%	35%	30%	25%	15%	10%

### **Undiversified Securities**

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	Ba	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70%	75%	70%	55%	45%	35%	25%
>10%						
<=10%	65%	55%	45%	35%	25%	15%
>5%						
<=5%	55%	45%	35%	30%	20%	10%
>2%						
<=2%	45%	35%	25%	20%	10%	5%

### **High Diversity Collateralized Debt Obligations**

	<u>Initial Rating of Underlying Asset</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	Ba	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70%	75%	70%	60%	50%	40%	25%
>10%						
<=10%	65%	55%	50%	40%	30%	20%
>5%						
<=5%	55%	45%	40%	35%	25%	10%
>2%						
<=2%	45%	35%	30%	25%	10%	5%

### **Low Diversity Collateralized Debt Obligations**

	<u>Initial Rating of Underlying Asset</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	80%	75%	60%	50%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	70%	60%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10% >5%	60%	50%	45%	35%	25%	15%
<=5% >2%	50%	40%	35%	30%	20%	10%
<=2%	30%	25%	20%	15%	7%	4%

(1) Initial par amount of tranche to which Structured Finance Obligation relates **divided by** initial par amount of total securities issued by Structured Finance Obligation issuer.

Schedule 6**S&P Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates\***

The S&P Priority Category Recovery Rate for a Structured Finance Obligation will be the applicable rate set forth below based on the appropriate asset class and liability rating as categorized by S&P:

Senior Asset Class

	<u>Liability rating</u>						
	<u>AAA</u>	<u>AA</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>BBB</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>CCC</u>
AAA	80.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
AA	70.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
A	60.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
BBB	50.0%	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%

Junior Asset Class

	<u>Liability rating</u>						
	<u>AAA</u>	<u>AA</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>BBB</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>CCC</u>
AAA	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
AA	40.0%	45.0%	55.0%	65.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
A	30.0%	35.0%	40.0%	45.0%	50.0%	60.0%	70.0%
BBB	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	25.0%	35.0%	40.0%	50.0%
B	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%	10.0%	10.0%	20.0%	25.0%
CCC	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%

- \* This table shall not apply to project finance, future flows, synthetics, CDO repacks of ABS or CDOs, guaranteed ABS, distressed debt CDOs, synthetic CDOs, or emerging market CDOs. Recovery rates for such Structured Finance Obligations will be assigned by S&P on a case-by-case basis.

Schedule 7

**Certain Tax Provisions**

Schedule 8**Certain Defined Terms Relating to S&P Rating and Moody's Rating**

**"Assigned Moody's Rating"**: The monitored publicly available rating or the monitored estimated rating expressly assigned to a debt obligation (or facility) by Moody's that addresses the full amount of the principal and interest promised.

**"Moody's Default Probability Rating"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (a) with respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:
  - (i) if the Loan's obligor has a senior implied rating from Moody's, such senior implied rating; and
  - (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Obligation Rating of such Loan;
  - (iii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, the rating that is one subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating;
- (b) with respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating of such Collateral Obligation;
- (c) with respect to a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the rating that is one rating subcategory below the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof;
- (d) with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof (or, if the obligation does not have an Assigned Moody's Rating but has a rating by S&P, the rating that is the number of rating subcategories specified by Moody's below such S&P rating); and
- (e) with respect to a Synthetic Security, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

**"Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation that is a Loan or bond and the obligor thereof, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (a) if the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating;
- (b) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's "Issuer Rating" for the obligor;

(c) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, then

(i) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "B3" (and, if rated "B3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one rating subcategory higher than such Assigned Moody's Rating, or

(ii) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "B3" (or rated "B3" and on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be such Assigned Moody's Rating;

(d) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, then:

(i) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "Caa3" (and, if rated "Caa3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one subcategory below such Assigned Moody's Rating, or

(ii) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "Caa3" (or rated "Caa3" and on watch for downgrade), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be "C";

(e) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but such obligor has a senior implied rating from Moody's, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be one rating subcategory below such senior implied rating;

(f) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be:

(i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher,

(ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; or

(iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating no lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (f)(iii), or clauses (g)(iii) or (h)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(g) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any

postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (c) above; or

(iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (g)(iii), or clauses (f)(iii) or (h)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(h) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (d) above; or

(iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (h)(iii), or clauses (f)(iii) or (g)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(i) if the preceding clauses do not apply and each of the following clauses (i) through (viii) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa1":

(i) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings,

(ii) no debt securities or obligations of the obligor are in default,



- (iii) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates has defaulted on any debt during the preceding two years,
- (iv) the obligor has been in existence for the preceding five years,
- (v) the obligor is current on any cumulative dividends,
- (vi) the fixed-charge ratio for the obligor exceeds 125% for each of the preceding two fiscal years and for the most recent quarter,
- (vii) the obligor had a net profit before tax in the past fiscal year and the most recent quarter, and
- (viii) the annual financial statements of such obligor are unqualified and certified by a firm of Independent accountants of international reputation, and quarterly statements are unaudited but signed by a corporate officer;
- (j) if the preceding clauses do not apply but each of the following clauses (i) and (ii) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa3":
  - (i) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings; and
  - (ii) no debt security or obligation of such obligor has been in default during the past two years; and
- (k) if the preceding clauses do not apply and a debt security or obligation of the obligor has been in default during the past two years, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Ca."

Notwithstanding the foregoing, not more than 10% of the Maximum Investment Amount may consist of Investment Obligations given a Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating based on a rating given by S&P as provided in clauses (f), (g) and (h) above.

**"Moody's Obligation Rating":** With respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (a) With respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:
  - (i) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating;
  - or
  - (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the rating that is one rating subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and
- (b) With respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond:
  - (i) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating;
  - or

(ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and

(c) With respect to a Synthetic Security or a DIP Loan, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

**"Moody's Rating"**: The Moody's Default Probability Rating; provided that, with respect to the Collateral Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or any successor to it ceases to provide rating services, references to rating categories of Moody's in this Indenture shall be deemed instead to be references to the equivalent categories of any other nationally recognized investment rating agency selected by the Portfolio Manager, as of the most recent date on which such other rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which such alternative rating agency is used.

**"S&P Rating"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following methodology:

(i) If there is an issuer credit rating of the borrower of the Collateral Obligation (the "**Borrower**"), or the guarantor who unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the Collateral Obligation (the "**Guarantor**") by S&P, the most current issuer credit rating for such Borrower or Guarantor;

(ii) (a) if there is not an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation will be one subcategory below such rating; (b) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior unsecured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be such rating; and (c) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a subordinated obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be two subcategories above such rating if such rating is "BBB-" or higher and will be one subcategory above such rating if such rating is "BB+" or lower; or

(iii) if there is neither an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P nor a rating by S&P on an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating may be determined using any one of the methods below:

(A) if an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is publicly rated by Moody's, then the S&P Rating will be determined in accordance with the methodologies for establishing the Moody's Default Probability Rating, except that the S&P Rating of such obligation will be (1) one subcategory below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Baa3" or higher by Moody's and (2) two subcategories below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Ba1" or

lower by Moody's; provided that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 10% of the Maximum Investment Amount may be given a S&P Rating based on a rating given by Moody's as provided in this subclause (a) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

(B) if no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's, then the Portfolio Manager may apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating estimate, which will be its S&P Rating; or

(C) if such Collateral Obligation is not rated by Moody's or S&P, no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's and if the Portfolio Manager determines in its sole discretion based on information available to it after reasonable inquiry that such Borrower (x) is not subject to any bankruptcy or reorganization proceedings nor in default on any of its obligations (unless the subject of a good faith business dispute), (y) is a legally constituted corporate entity having the minimum legal, financial and operational infrastructure to carry on a definable business, deliver and sell a product or service and report its results in generally accepted accounting terms as verified by a reputable audit firm and (z) is not so vulnerable to adverse business, financial and economic conditions that default in its financial or other obligations is foreseeable in the near term if current operating trends continue, then the S&P Rating will be "CCC-"; provided that the Portfolio Manager must apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating on such Borrower within 30 days after the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation; provided, further, that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 5% of the Maximum Investment Amount may be given an S&P Rating based on this subclause (c) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

provided that if (i) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any positive "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be increased by one rating subcategory or (ii) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any negative "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be decreased by one rating subcategory.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the S&P Rating shall be (A) the rating assigned thereto by S&P if the rating is public, (B) the rating assigned by S&P if the rating is confidential, but only if all appropriate parties have provided written consent to its disclosure and use, (C) the rating assigned by S&P thereto through an estimated rating or (D) the rating assigned thereto by S&P in connection with the acquisition thereof upon the request of the Portfolio Manager. In the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a PIK Security or Structured Finance Obligation, the S&P Rating may not be determined pursuant to clause (iii)(a) above.

S&P Ratings for entities or obligations relevant hereunder other than Borrowers and Collateral Obligations shall be determined in a corresponding manner.

Exhibit A

**Forms of Securities**

Exhibit A-1

**Form of Note**

Exhibit A-2

**Form of Composite Security**

Exhibit A-3

**Form of Note and Composite Security Legends**

Exhibit B

**Forms of Note and Composite Security Transfer and Exchange Certificates**



Exhibit B-1

**Form of Note Transferee Certificate**

Exhibit B-2

**Form of Regulation S Note Transferor Certificate**

Exhibit B-3

**Form of Non-Regulation S Note Transferor Certificate**

Exhibit B-4

**Form of Composite Security Transferee Certificate**

Exhibit B-5

**Form of Regulation S Composite Security Transferor Certificate**

Exhibit B-6

**Form of Non-Regulation S Composite Security Transferor Certificate**

Exhibit C

**Form of McKee Nelson LLP Opinion**

Exhibit D

**Form of Maples and Calder Opinion**



Exhibit E

**Form of Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP Opinion**

Exhibit F

**Form of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP Opinion**

Exhibit G

**Form of Securities Account Control Agreement**

Exhibit H

**Forms of Section 3(c)(7) Notices**

Exhibit H-1

**Form of Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice**

Exhibit H-2

**Form of Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice**

Exhibit I

**Form of Beneficial Owner Certificate**

Exhibit J

**Form of Extension Notice**



## **EXHIBIT HHH**

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## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

This Portfolio Management Agreement, dated as of March 15, 2005 is entered into by and among SOUTHFORK CLO LTD., an exempted company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands, with its registered office located at the offices of P.O. Box 1093 GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands (together with successors and assigns permitted hereunder, the "Issuer"), and HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, with its principal offices located at Two Galleria Tower, 13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300, Dallas, Texas 75240, as portfolio manager ("Highland" or, in such capacity, the "Portfolio Manager").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Issuer and Southfork CLO Corp. (the "Co-Issuer") intend to issue their Class A-1a Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2017 (the "Class A-1a Notes"), Class A-1b Fixed Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2017 (the "Class A-1b Notes"), Class A-1g Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2017 (the "Class A-1g Notes"), Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2017 (the "Class A-2 Notes"), Class A-3a Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2017 (the "Class A-3a Notes"), Class A-3b Fixed Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2017 (the "Class A-3b Notes" and, together with the Class A-1a Notes, Class A-1b Notes, Class A-1g Notes, Class A-2 Notes and Class A-3a Notes, the "Class A Notes"), Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2017 (the "Class B Notes") and Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2017 (the "Class C Notes" and, together with the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes, the "Notes"), the Issuer intends to issue its Class 1 Extendable Composite Securities due 2017 (the "Composite Securities") consisting of (i) a component entitling its holders to rights in respect of 2,000 Preference Shares, as defined below, (the "Preference Share Component") and (ii) a component entitling its holders to rights to receive proceeds from a trust account initially holding a United States Treasury strip security maturing on November 15, 2016 with a principal amount at maturity of U.S.\$6,000,000 (the "Class 1 Components" and, together with the Preference Share Component, the "Components"), pursuant to an indenture (the "Indenture"), dated as of the date hereof, among the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, as co-issuer of the Notes, Assured Guaranty Corp., as insurer, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as trustee (together with any successor trustee permitted under the Indenture, the "Trustee") and the Issuer intends to issue 82,200 preference shares, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Preference Shares" and together with the Notes and the Composite Securities, the "Securities"), pursuant to the Issuer's Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association;

WHEREAS, the Issuer intends to pledge certain Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments and Cash (all as defined in the Indenture) and certain other assets (all as set forth in the Indenture) (collectively, the "Collateral") to the Trustee as security for the Notes and the Class 1 Components;

WHEREAS, the Issuer intends to pledge all of its right title and interest in the Class 1 Component Account, as defined in the Indenture, (the "Class 1 Collateral") to the Trustee as security for the Class 1 Components;

WHEREAS, the Issuer wishes to enter into this Portfolio Management Agreement, pursuant to which the Portfolio Manager agrees to perform, on behalf of the Issuer, certain duties with respect to the Collateral securing the Notes, the Class 1 Components and the Class 1 Collateral securing the Class 1 Components in the manner and on the terms set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the Portfolio Manager has the capacity to provide the services required hereby and is prepared to perform such services upon the terms and conditions set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements herein set forth, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Definitions.

Terms used herein and not defined below shall have the meanings set forth in the Indenture.

"Agreement" shall mean this Portfolio Management Agreement, as amended from time to time.

"Approved Replacement" shall mean an individual who shall (x) be proposed by Highland to replace James Dondero, Mark Okada or Todd Travers (or a prior Approved Replacement therefor) within 30 days after James Dondero, Mark Okada or Todd Travers (or a prior Approved Replacement therefor) fails to be a partner, director, officer or management-level employee of Highland or, following any objection pursuant to the following clause (y) to the first proposed replacement, within 30 days after such objection and (y) not have been objected to by either (A) the Controlling Class of Notes or (B) a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by Highland or any of its affiliates), within 30 days after written notice of such Approved Replacement has been given by the Portfolio Manager to the Controlling Class of Notes and the Holders of Preference Shares).

"Change of Control" shall mean that two or more of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers (or any Approved Replacement therefor) shall fail to be a partner, director, officer or management-level employee of Highland.

"Governing Instruments" shall mean the memorandum, articles or certificate of incorporation or association and by-laws, if applicable, in the case of a corporation; the certificate of formation, if applicable, or the partnership agreement, in the case of a partnership; or the certificate of formation, if applicable, or the limited liability company agreement, in the case of a limited liability company.

"Offering Circular" shall mean the Offering Circular of the Issuer dated March 9, 2005 prepared in connection with the offering of the Securities.

"Portfolio Manager Breaches" shall have the meaning specified in Section 10(a).

2. General Duties of the Portfolio Manager.

(a) The Portfolio Manager shall provide services to the Issuer as follows:

(i) Subject to and in accordance with the terms of the Indenture and this Agreement, the Portfolio Manager shall supervise and direct the investment and reinvestment of the Collateral, and shall perform on behalf of the Issuer those investment-related duties and functions that have been specifically delegated or assigned to the Portfolio Manager in the Indenture (and the Portfolio Manager shall have no obligation to perform any other duties other than as specified herein or under the Indenture) and, to the extent necessary or appropriate to perform such duties, the Portfolio Manager shall have the power to execute and deliver all necessary and

appropriate documents and instruments on behalf of the Issuer with respect thereto, including without limitation, providing such certifications and Officer's certificates as are required of the Portfolio Manager or the Issuer under the Indenture with respect to the permitted purchases and sales of Collateral Obligations and other securities required or permitted to be purchased or sold under the Indenture. The Portfolio Manager shall, subject to the terms and conditions hereof and of the Indenture, perform its obligations hereunder and under the Indenture (including, without limitation, its obligations in Sections 2.4 and 9.6 thereof) with reasonable care and in good faith, using a degree of skill and attention no less than that which the Portfolio Manager exercises with respect to comparable assets that it manages for others having similar investment objectives and restrictions, and in a manner consistent with practices and procedures followed by institutional managers of national standing relating to assets of the nature and character of the Collateral for clients having similar investment objectives and restrictions, except as expressly provided otherwise in this Agreement and/or the Indenture. To the extent not inconsistent with the foregoing, the Portfolio Manager shall follow its customary standards, policies and procedures in performing its duties under the Indenture and hereunder. The Portfolio Manager shall comply with all terms and conditions of the Indenture affecting the duties and functions to be performed hereunder. The Portfolio Manager shall not be bound to follow any amendment to the Indenture until it has received written notice thereof and until it has received a copy of the amendment from the Issuer or the Trustee; provided, however, that the Portfolio Manager shall not be bound by any amendment to the Indenture that affects the rights, duties or liabilities of the Portfolio Manager unless the Portfolio Manager shall have consented thereto in writing. The Issuer agrees that it shall not permit any amendment to the Indenture that (x) affects the rights, duties or liabilities of the Portfolio Manager or (y) affects the amount or priority of any fees payable to the Portfolio Manager to become effective unless the Portfolio Manager has been given prior written notice of such amendment and consented thereto in writing;

(ii) the Portfolio Manager shall select any Collateral which shall be acquired by the Issuer pursuant to the Indenture in accordance with the investment criteria set forth therein;

(iii) the Portfolio Manager shall monitor the Collateral on an ongoing basis and provide to the Issuer all reports, certificates, schedules and other data with respect to the Collateral which the Issuer is required to prepare and deliver under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement, in the form and containing all information required thereby and in reasonable time for the Issuer to review such required reports, certificates, schedules and data and to deliver them to the parties entitled thereto under the Indenture; the Portfolio Manager shall undertake to determine to the extent reasonably practicable whether a Collateral Obligation has become a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; and the Portfolio Manager shall monitor any Hedge Agreements and direct the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer in respect of all actions to be taken thereunder by the Issuer;

(iv) the Portfolio Manager, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture may, at any time permitted under the Indenture, and shall, when required by the Indenture, direct the Trustee (i) to dispose of a Collateral Obligation, Equity Security or Eligible Investment or other securities received in respect thereof in the open market or otherwise, or (ii) to acquire, as security for the Notes in substitution for or in addition to any one or more Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments included in the Collateral, one or more substitute Collateral Obligations or

Eligible Investments, and may, in each case subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture, direct the Trustee to take the following actions with respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment:

(1) retain such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment;  
or

(2) dispose of such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment in the open market or otherwise; or

(3) if applicable, tender such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment pursuant to an Offer; or

(4) if applicable, consent to any proposed amendment, modification or waiver pursuant to an Offer; or

(5) retain or dispose of any securities or other property (if other than cash) received pursuant to an Offer; or

(6) waive any default with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or

(7) vote to accelerate the maturity of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or

(8) exercise any other rights or remedies with respect to such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment as provided in the related Underlying Instruments or take any other action consistent with the terms of the Indenture which is in the best interests of the Noteholders and the Holders of the Preference Shares; and

(v) subject to and in accordance with the terms of the Indenture and this Agreement, the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer shall determine whether to enter into any additional hedging arrangements, increase or reduce the notional amounts of existing Hedge Agreements or terminate existing Hedge Agreements, and the Portfolio Manager shall use its reasonable efforts to cause the Issuer, promptly following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) and to the extent possible through application of funds received as a result of the early termination (including the proceeds of the liquidation of any collateral pledged by the Hedge Counterparty), to enter into a replacement Hedge Agreement.

(b) In performing its duties hereunder, the Portfolio Manager shall seek to maximize the value of the Collateral for the benefit of the Noteholders and the Holders of the Preference Shares taking into account the investment criteria and limitations set forth herein and in the Indenture and the Portfolio Manager shall use reasonable efforts to manage the Collateral in such a way that will (i) permit a timely performance of all payment obligations by the Issuer under the Indenture and (ii) subject to such objective, maximize the return to the Holders of the Preference Shares; provided, that the Portfolio Manager shall not be responsible if such objectives are not achieved so long as the Portfolio Manager performs its duties under this Agreement in the manner provided for herein, and provided, further, that there shall be no recourse to the Portfolio Manager with respect to the Notes or the Preference Shares. The Portfolio Manager and the Issuer shall take such other action, and furnish such

certificates, opinions and other documents, as may be reasonably requested by the other party hereto in order to effectuate the purposes of this Agreement and to facilitate compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the terms of this Agreement. The Portfolio Manager shall notify the Trustee and the Issuer in writing of an Event of Default under the Indenture of which the Portfolio Manager has actual knowledge.

(c) The Portfolio Manager hereby agrees to the following:

(i) The Portfolio Manager agrees not to institute against, or join any other Person in instituting against, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation proceedings or other proceedings under federal or state bankruptcy or similar laws of any jurisdiction until at least one year and one day after the payment in full of all Notes issued under the Indenture and all amounts due under the Insurance Agreement or, if longer, the applicable period then provided by law; provided, however, that nothing in this clause (i) shall preclude, or be deemed to estop, the Portfolio Manager (A) from taking any action prior to the expiration of such period in (x) any case or proceeding voluntarily filed or commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, or (y) any involuntary insolvency proceeding filed or commenced against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, by a Person other than the Portfolio Manager, or (B) from commencing against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any properties of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any legal action which is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium, liquidation or similar proceeding.

(ii) The Portfolio Manager shall cause each sale or purchase of any Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment to be conducted on an arm's-length basis.

(d) The Portfolio Manager shall not act for the Issuer in any capacity except as provided in this Section 2. In providing services hereunder, the Portfolio Manager may employ third parties, including its Affiliates, to render advice (including investment advice) and assistance; provided, however, that the Portfolio Manager shall not be relieved of any of its duties or liabilities hereunder regardless of the performance of any services by third parties. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Portfolio Manager shall not be required to take any action required of it pursuant to this Agreement or the Indenture if such action would constitute a violation of any law.

(e) The Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates will maintain, in the aggregate, ownership of Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount of at least \$10,000,000 until the earlier of such time as (i) none of the Notes are Outstanding or (ii) Highland is removed or resigns as Portfolio Manager and such removal or resignation has become effective in accordance with this Agreement.

3. Brokerage.

The Portfolio Manager shall seek to obtain the best prices and execution for all orders placed with respect to the Collateral, considering all reasonable circumstances. Subject to the objective of obtaining best prices and execution, the Portfolio Manager may take into consideration research and other brokerage services furnished to the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates by brokers and dealers which are not Affiliates of the Portfolio Manager. Such services may be used by the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates in connection with its other advisory activities or investment operations. The Portfolio Manager may aggregate sales and purchase orders of securities placed with respect to the Collateral with similar orders being made simultaneously for other accounts managed by Portfolio Manager or with accounts of the Affiliates of the Portfolio Manager, if in the Portfolio Manager's reasonable judgment such aggregation shall result in an overall economic benefit to the Issuer, taking into consideration the advantageous selling or purchase price, brokerage commission and other expenses. In the event that a sale or purchase of a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment (in accordance with the terms of the Indenture) occurs as part of any aggregate sales or purchase orders, the objective of the Portfolio Manager (and any of its Affiliates involved in such transactions) shall be to allocate the executions among the accounts in an equitable manner.

In addition to the foregoing and subject to the provisions of Section 2 and the limitations of Section 5, the objective of obtaining best prices and execution and to the extent permitted by applicable law, the Portfolio Manager may, on behalf of the Issuer, direct the Trustee to acquire any and all of the Eligible Investments or other Collateral from, or sell Collateral Obligations or other Collateral to, the Initial Purchaser, the Trustee or any of their respective Affiliates, or any other firm.

4. Additional Activities of the Portfolio Manager.

Nothing herein shall prevent the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates from engaging in other businesses, or from rendering services of any kind to the Trustee, the Noteholders, the Holders of the Preference Shares or any other Person or entity to the extent permitted by applicable law. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, the Portfolio Manager and partners, directors, officers, employees and agents of the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates may, among other things, and subject to any limits specified in the Indenture:

(a) serve as directors (whether supervisory or managing), officers, partners, employees, agents, nominees or signatories for any issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates; to the extent permitted by their Governing Instruments, as from time to time amended, or by any resolutions duly adopted by the Issuer, its Affiliates or any issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates, pursuant to their respective Governing Instruments; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on any item of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Collateral Quality Test; provided, further, that nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to limit the duties of the Portfolio Manager set forth in Section 2 hereof;

(b) receive fees for services of any nature rendered to the issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on any item of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Collateral Quality Test; and provided, further that if any portion of such services are related to purchase by the Issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral, the portion of such fees relating to such obligations shall be deposited into the Collection Account; and

(c) be a secured or unsecured creditor of, or hold an equity interest in, the Issuer, its Affiliates or any issuer of any obligation included in the Collateral; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on any item of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Collateral Quality Test; provided, further, that nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to limit the duties of the Portfolio Manager set forth in Section 2 hereof.

It is understood that the Portfolio Manager and any of its Affiliates may engage in any other business and furnish investment management and advisory services to others, including Persons which may have investment policies similar to those followed by the Portfolio Manager with respect to the Collateral and which may own securities of the same class, or which are the same type, as the Collateral Obligations or other securities of the issuers of Collateral Obligations. The Portfolio Manager shall be free, in its sole discretion, to make recommendations to others, or effect transactions on behalf of itself or for others, which may be the same as or different from those effected with respect to the Collateral.

Unless the Portfolio Manager determines in its reasonable judgment that such purchase or sale is appropriate, the Portfolio Manager may refrain from directing the purchase or sale hereunder of securities issued by (i) Persons of which the Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates or any of its or their officers, directors or employees are directors or officers, (ii) Persons for which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliate act as financial adviser or underwriter or (iii) Persons about which the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates have information which the Portfolio Manager deems confidential or non-public or otherwise might prohibit it from trading such securities in accordance with applicable law. The Portfolio Manager shall not be obligated to pursue any particular investment strategy or opportunity with respect to the Collateral.

##### 5. Conflicts of Interest.

(a) The Portfolio Manager shall not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Portfolio Manager such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Portfolio Manager, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the Adviser's Act.

(b) The Portfolio Manager shall not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Portfolio Manager serves as investment advisor, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Portfolio Manager serves as investment advisor unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Portfolio Manager, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Adviser's Act.

(c) In addition, the Portfolio Manager shall not undertake any transaction described in this Section 5 unless such transaction is exempt from the prohibited transaction rules of ERISA and the Code.



6. Records; Confidentiality.

The Portfolio Manager shall maintain appropriate books of account and records relating to services performed hereunder, and such books of account and records shall be accessible for inspection by a representative of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Share Paying Agent, the Controlling Class of Notes, the Noteholders, the Holders of the Preference Shares and the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to the Indenture at a mutually agreed time during normal business hours and upon not less than three Business Days' prior notice. At no time shall the Portfolio Manager make a public announcement concerning the issuance of the Notes or the Preference Shares, the Portfolio Manager's role hereunder or any other aspect of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the Indenture. The Portfolio Manager shall keep confidential any and all information obtained in connection with the services rendered hereunder and shall not disclose any such information to non-affiliated third parties except (i) with the prior written consent of the Issuer, (ii) such information as either Rating Agency shall reasonably request in connection with the rating of the Notes, (iii) as required by law, regulation, court order or the rules or regulations of any self regulating organization, body or official having jurisdiction over the Portfolio Manager, (iv) to its professional advisers, (v) such information as shall have been publicly disclosed other than in violation of this Agreement, or (vi) such information that was or is obtained by the Portfolio Manager on a non-confidential basis, provided, that the Portfolio Manager does not know or have reason to know of any breach by such source of any confidentiality obligations with respect thereto. For purposes of this Section 6, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Share Paying Agent, the Controlling Class of Notes, the Noteholders and the Holders of the Preference Shares shall in no event be considered "non-affiliated third parties."

Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement or the Indenture to the contrary, the Portfolio Manager, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Holders of the Notes and the Preference Shares (and the beneficial owners thereof) (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) may disclose to any and all Persons, without limitation of any kind, the U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to them relating to such U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure, as such terms are defined under U.S. federal, state or local tax law.

7. Obligations of Portfolio Manager.

Unless otherwise specifically required by any provision of the Indenture or this Agreement or by applicable law, the Portfolio Manager shall use its best reasonable efforts to ensure that no action is taken by it, and shall not intentionally or with reckless disregard take any action, which would (a) materially adversely affect the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for purposes of Cayman Islands law, United States federal or state law or any other law known to the Portfolio Manager to be applicable to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, (b) not be permitted under the Issuer's Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association or the Co-Issuer's Articles of Incorporation or By-Laws, (c) violate any law, rule or regulation of any governmental body or agency having jurisdiction over the Issuer or the Co-Issuer including, without limitation, any Cayman Islands or United States federal, state or other applicable securities law the violation of which has or could reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any of the Collateral, (d) require registration of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the pool of Collateral as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act, (e) cause the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to violate the terms of the Indenture, including, without limitation, any representations made by the Issuer or Co-Issuer therein, or any other agreement contemplated by the Indenture or (f) engage in activities not permitted by Schedule 7 of the Indenture that would subject the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to U.S. federal or state income or franchise taxation or cause the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

The Portfolio Manager covenants that it shall comply in all material respects with all laws and regulations applicable to it in connection with the performance of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, the Portfolio Manager shall not be required to take any action under this Agreement or the Indenture if such action would violate any applicable law, rule, regulation or court order.

8. Compensation.

(a) The Issuer shall pay to the Portfolio Manager, for services rendered and performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Management Fee, which shall be payable in such amounts and at such times as set forth in the Indenture. The provisions of the Indenture which relate to the amount and payment of the Management Fee shall not be amended without the consent of the Portfolio Manager. If on any Payment Date there are insufficient funds to pay such fee (and/or any other amounts due and payable to the Portfolio Manager) in full, the amount not so paid shall be deferred and shall be payable with accrued interest on such later Payment Date on which funds are available therefor as provided in the definition of "Subordinated Management Fee" in the Indenture.

(b) The Portfolio Manager shall pay all costs and expenses incurred by it in the course of performing its obligations under this Agreement, including the expenses and fees of any third party employed by the Portfolio Manager pursuant to this Agreement or the Indenture; provided, however, that the Issuer, and not the Portfolio Manager, shall be responsible for: (i) any fees, expenses or other amounts payable to the Rating Agencies, the Collateral Administrator, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the accountants appointed by the Issuer, (ii) the reasonable expenses incurred by the Portfolio Manager to employ outside lawyers or consultants reasonably necessary in connection with the evaluation, transfer or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation, (iii) any reasonable expenses incurred by the Portfolio Manager in obtaining advice from outside counsel with respect to its obligations under this Agreement (but excluding any such counsel fees and expenses not otherwise ordered by any court incurred in connection with any dispute between the Portfolio Manager and any of the Trustee, or a Holder of Notes or Preference Shares), (vi) brokerage commissions, transfer fees, registration costs, taxes and other similar costs and transaction related expenses and fees arising out of transactions effected for the Issuer's account and (v) the portion allocated to the Issuer of any other fees and expenses that the Portfolio Manager customarily allocates among all of the funds or portfolios that it manages.

(c) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 12, Section 14 or otherwise, the fees payable to the Portfolio Manager shall be prorated for any partial periods between Payment Dates during which this Agreement was in effect and shall be due and payable on the first Payment Date following the date of such termination and on any subsequent Payment Dates to the extent remaining unpaid and in accordance with, and to the extent provided in, the Indenture.

9. Benefit of the Agreement.

The Portfolio Manager agrees that its obligations hereunder shall be enforceable at the instance of the Issuer, the Trustee, on behalf of the Noteholders, or the requisite percentage of Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares, as applicable, as provided in the Indenture or the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement, as applicable.

10. Limits of Portfolio Manager Responsibility; Indemnification.

(a) The Portfolio Manager assumes no responsibility under this Agreement other than to render the services called for hereunder and under the terms of the Indenture made applicable to it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement in good faith and, subject to the standard of

conduct described in the next sentence, shall not be responsible for any action of the Issuer or the Trustee in following or declining to follow any advice, recommendation or direction of the Portfolio Manager. The Portfolio Manager, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, and its Affiliates and their directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, shall not be liable to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Noteholders, the Preference Share Paying Agent, the Holders of the Preference Shares or any other person for any losses, claims, damages, judgments, assessments, costs or other liabilities (collectively, "Liabilities") incurred by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Noteholders, the Preference Share Paying Agent, the Holders of the Preference Shares or any other person that arise out of or in connection with the performance by the Portfolio Manager of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture, except by reason of (i) acts or omissions constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, gross negligence or breach of fiduciary duty in the performance, or reckless disregard, of the obligations of the Portfolio Manager hereunder and under the terms of the Indenture applicable to it or (ii) with respect to any information included in the Offering Circular in the sections entitled "The Portfolio Manager" and "Certain Conflicts of Interest—Conflicts of Interest Involving the Portfolio Manager" that contains any untrue statement of material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) collectively being the "Portfolio Manager Breaches").

(b) The Issuer shall indemnify and hold harmless (the Issuer in such case, the "Indemnifying Party") the Portfolio Manager, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees (such parties collectively in such case, the "Indemnified Parties") from and against any and all Liabilities, and shall reimburse each such Indemnified Party for all reasonable fees and expenses (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) (collectively, the "Expenses") as such Expenses are incurred in investigating, preparing, pursuing or defending any claim, action, proceeding or investigation with respect to any pending or threatened litigation (collectively, the "Actions"), caused by, or arising out of or in connection with, the issuance of the Securities, the transactions contemplated by the Offering Circular, the Indenture or this Agreement, and/or any action taken by, or any failure to act by, such Indemnified Party; provided, however, that no Indemnified Party shall be indemnified for any Liabilities or Expenses it incurs as a result of any acts or omissions by any Indemnified Party constituting Portfolio Manager Breaches. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the obligations of the Issuer under this Section 10 shall be payable solely out of the Collateral in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Indenture and shall survive termination of this Agreement.

(c) With respect to any claim made or threatened against an Indemnified Party, or compulsory process or request or other notice of any loss, claim, damage or liability served upon an Indemnified Party, for which such Indemnified Party is or may be entitled to indemnification under this Section 10, such Indemnified Party shall (or with respect to Indemnified Parties that are directors, officers, stockholders, agents or employees of the Portfolio Manager, the Portfolio Manager shall cause such Indemnified Party to):

(i) give written notice to the Indemnifying Party of such claim within ten (10) days after such Indemnified Party's receipt of actual notice that such claim is made or threatened, which notice to the Indemnifying Party shall specify in reasonable detail the nature of the claim and the amount (or an estimate of the amount) of the claim; provided, however, that the failure of any Indemnified Party to provide such notice to the Indemnifying Party shall not relieve the Indemnifying Party of its obligations under this Section 10 unless the Indemnifying Party is materially prejudiced or otherwise forfeits rights or defenses by reason of such failure;

(ii) at the Indemnifying Party's expense, provide the Indemnifying Party such information and cooperation with respect to such claim as the Indemnifying

Party may reasonably require, including, but not limited to, making appropriate personnel available to the Indemnifying Party at such reasonable times as the Indemnifying Party may request;

(iii) at the Indemnifying Party's expense, cooperate and take all such steps as the Indemnifying Party may reasonably request to preserve and protect any defense to such claim;

(iv) in the event suit is brought with respect to such claim, upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Indemnifying Party the right, which the Indemnifying Party may exercise in its sole discretion and at its expense, to participate in the investigation, defense and settlement of such claim;

(v) neither incur any material expense to defend against nor release or settle any such claim or make any admission with respect thereto (other than routine or incontestable admissions or factual admissions the failure to make which would expose such Indemnified Party to unindemnified liability) nor permit a default or consent to the entry of any judgment in respect thereof, in each case without the prior written consent of the Indemnifying Party; and

(vi) upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Indemnifying Party the right, in its sole discretion and at its sole expense, to assume the defense of such claim, including, but not limited to, the right to designate counsel reasonably acceptable to the Indemnified Party and to control all negotiations, litigation, arbitration, settlements, compromises and appeals of such claim; provided, that if the Indemnifying Party assumes the defense of such claim, it shall not be liable for any fees and expenses of counsel for any Indemnified Party incurred thereafter in connection with such claim except that if such Indemnified Party reasonably determines that counsel designated by the Indemnifying Party has a conflict of interest in connection with its representation of such Indemnified Party, such Indemnifying Party shall pay the reasonable fees and disbursements of one counsel (in addition to any local counsel) separate from its own counsel for all Indemnified Parties in connection with any one action or separate but similar or related actions in the same jurisdiction arising out of the same general allegations or circumstances; provided, further, that prior to entering into any final settlement or compromise, such Indemnifying Party shall seek the consent of the Indemnified Party and use its commercially reasonable efforts in the light of the then prevailing circumstances (including, without limitation, any express or implied time constraint on any pending settlement offer) to obtain the consent of such Indemnified Party as to the terms of settlement or compromise. If an Indemnified Party does not consent to the settlement or compromise within a reasonable time under the circumstances, the Indemnifying Party shall not thereafter be obligated to indemnify the Indemnified Party for any amount in excess of such proposed settlement or compromise.

(d) In the event that any Indemnified Party waives its right to indemnification hereunder, the Indemnifying Party shall not be entitled to appoint counsel to represent such Indemnified Party nor shall the Indemnifying Party reimburse such Indemnified Party for any costs of counsel to such Indemnified Party.

(e) The U.S. federal securities laws impose liabilities under certain circumstances on persons who act in good faith; accordingly, notwithstanding any other provision of this

Agreement, nothing herein shall in any way constitute a waiver or limitation of any rights which the Issuer, the Holders of Notes or Preference Shares may have under any U.S. federal securities laws.

11. No Partnership or Joint Venture.

The Issuer and the Portfolio Manager are not partners or joint venturers with each other and nothing herein shall be construed to make them such partners or joint venturers or impose any liability as such on either of them. The Portfolio Manager's relation to the Issuer shall be deemed to be that of an independent contractor.

12. Term; Termination.

(a) This Agreement shall commence as of the date first set forth above and shall continue in force and effect until the first of the following occurs: (i) the payment in full of the Notes, the termination of the Indenture in accordance with its terms and the redemption in full of the Preference Shares; (ii) the liquidation of the Collateral and the final distribution of the proceeds of such liquidation to the Noteholders and the Preference Share Paying Agent; or (iii) the termination of this Agreement in accordance with subsection (b), (c), (d), (e) or (f) of this Section 12 or Section 14 of this Agreement.

(b) Subject to Section 12(g) below, the Portfolio Manager may resign, upon 90 days' written notice to the Issuer (or such shorter notice as is acceptable to the Issuer). If the Portfolio Manager resigns, the Issuer agrees to appoint a successor Portfolio Manager to assume such duties and obligations.

(c) Subject to Section 12(g) below, the Portfolio Manager may be removed without cause upon 90 days' prior written notice by the Issuer, at the direction of the Holders of at least 63% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Preference Shares (excluding Preference Shares held by the Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates or any account for which the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority at the time of such vote); provided, however, that the Portfolio Manager shall have the right to avoid any such removal if, on or prior to the proposed removal date the following conditions are satisfied: (i) the Portfolio Manager provides written notice, not less than 20 Business Days prior to the proposed removal date, to the Holders of the Composite Securities, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Preference Shares), the Issuer and the Trustee that the Portfolio Manager intends to purchase not less than all of the Preference Shares voting for such removal from the Holders thereof (the "Directing Preference Shares"), (ii) in the notice provided to the Holders of the Composite Securities and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Preference Shares) in the preceding clause (i), the Portfolio Manager includes a statement to the effect that each Holder of Preference Share (including each Holder of a Composite Security in respect of the Preference Share Component) who did not vote for removal may provide written notice to the Portfolio Manager not later than 5 Business Days prior to the proposed removal date that the Preference Shares or Preference Share Component, as applicable, held by such Holder shall be deemed to be included in the Directing Preference Shares as provided in the preceding clause (i), and (iii) the Portfolio Manager effects the purchase of not less than all of the Directing Preference Shares and all of the Composite Securities relating to the Preference Share Component which constitute a part of the Directing Preference Shares at the Buy-out Amount. If all of the conditions set forth in the preceding sentence are satisfied on or prior to the proposed removal date, the Portfolio Manager shall continue as the Portfolio Manager under this Agreement. For purposes of this Section 12(c), "Buy-out Amount" means, with respect to (i) the Directing Preference Shares, an amount, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Directing Preference Shares since the Closing Date, would cause the Directing Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of the Portfolio Manager's purchase thereof) a Preference Share

Internal Rate of Return of 12% (assuming such purchase date was a "Payment Date" under the Indenture) and (ii) the Class 1 Composite Securities, the sum of (x) the amount that would be payable pursuant to the preceding clause (i) in respect of the Preference Shares underlying the Class 1 Composite Security Preference Share Component, (y) the Treasury Strip Market Value and (z) the Composite Security Make-Up Amount.

(d) Subject to Section 12(g) below, if (i) an Event of Default described in Section 5.1(d) of the Indenture occurs, and (ii) the Policy has not been terminated and delivered for cancellation in accordance with the terms of the Indenture, this Agreement shall be terminated, and the Portfolio Manager shall be removed, by the Issuer, if directed by a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes upon 10 days' prior written notice to the Portfolio Manager and upon written notice to the Securityholders as set forth below; provided, however, that the Portfolio Manager shall have the right to avoid any such removal if, on or prior to the proposed removal date, the Portfolio Manager provides written notice, not less than 2 Business Days prior to the proposed removal date, to the Controlling Class, the Issuer and the Trustee that the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser intends to (i) purchase not less than all of the Class A-1g Notes at the Removal Buy-Out Purchase Price pursuant to the Indenture and as described in Section 9.7(a) therein and (ii) terminate the Policy pursuant to the Indenture upon the effectiveness of such purchase, and the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser purchases not less than all of the Class A-1g Notes prior to the proposed removal date. If the conditions set forth in the preceding sentence are satisfied on or prior to the proposed removal date, the Portfolio Manager shall continue as the Portfolio Manager under this Agreement. "Removal Buy-Out Purchase Price" means, the purchase price payable by the Removal Buy-Out Purchaser for the Class A-1g Notes purchased in an Removal Buy-Out, if any, in an amount equal to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Class A-1g Notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the date of purchase payable to the Holder of such Class A-1g Notes (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date).

(e) This Agreement shall be automatically terminated in the event that the Issuer determines in good faith that the Issuer or the pool of Collateral has become required to be registered under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, and the Issuer notifies the Portfolio Manager thereof.

(f) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to this Section 12, neither party shall have any further liability or obligation to the other, except as provided in Sections 2(c)(i), 8, 10 and 15 of this Agreement.

(g) No removal, termination or resignation of the Portfolio Manager shall be effective unless (i) at the written direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer appoints a successor Portfolio Manager that has agreed in writing to assume all of the Portfolio Manager's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture and (ii) the successor Portfolio Manager is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) the Controlling Class of Notes or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single Class (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates)); provided, that if a Majority of the Preference Shares has nominated two or more successor Portfolio Managers that have been objected to pursuant to clause (ii) of the preceding sentence or has otherwise failed to appoint a successor Portfolio Manager that is not objected to pursuant to clause (ii) of the preceding sentence within 60 days of the date of notice of such removal, termination or resignation of the Portfolio Manager, then the Controlling Class of Notes may petition a court of competent authority to appoint a successor Portfolio Manager. In addition, any successor Portfolio Manager must be an established institution which (i) has demonstrated an ability to professionally and competently perform duties similar to those imposed upon the Portfolio Manager hereunder, (ii) is legally qualified and has the capacity to act as Portfolio Manager hereunder, as successor to the Portfolio Manager under this Agreement in the assumption of all of the responsibilities,

duties and obligations of the Portfolio Manager hereunder and under the applicable terms of the Indenture, (iii) shall not cause the Issuer or the pool of Collateral to become required to register under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, (iv) shall perform its duties as Portfolio Manager under this Agreement and the Indenture without causing the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Holder of Preference Shares to become subject to tax in any jurisdiction where such successor Portfolio Manager is established as doing business and (v) each Rating Agency has confirmed that the appointment of such successor Portfolio Manager shall not cause its then-current rating of any Class of Notes or Composite Securities to be reduced or withdrawn (without consideration of the Policy). No compensation payable to a successor from payments on the Collateral shall be greater than that paid to the Portfolio Manager without the prior written consent of the Controlling Class of Notes, a Majority of the Notes, a Majority of the Composite Securities and a Majority of the Preference Shares (voting collectively). The Issuer, the Trustee and the successor Portfolio Manager shall take such action (or cause the retiring Portfolio Manager to take such action) consistent with this Agreement and the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager, as shall be necessary to effectuate any such succession.

(h) In the event of removal of the Portfolio Manager pursuant to this Agreement, the Issuer shall have all of the rights and remedies available with respect thereto at law or equity, and, without limiting the foregoing, the Issuer or, to the extent so provided in the Indenture, the Trustee may by notice in writing to the Portfolio Manager as provided under this Agreement terminate all the rights and obligations of the Portfolio Manager under this Agreement (except those that survive termination pursuant to Section 12(f) above). Upon expiration of the applicable notice period with respect to termination specified in this Section 12 or Section 14 of this Agreement, as applicable, all authority and power of the Portfolio Manager under this Agreement, whether with respect to the Collateral or otherwise, shall automatically and without further action by any person or entity pass to and be vested in the successor Portfolio Manager upon the appointment thereof.

### 13. Delegation; Assignments.

This Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Portfolio Manager hereunder, shall not be delegated by the Portfolio Manager, in whole or in part, except to any entity that is both (i) controlled by two or more of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers and (ii) one in which two or more of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers (or any Approved Replacement thereof) is involved in the day to day management and operations (and in any such case pursuant to an instrument of delegation in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer), without the prior written consent of the Issuer, the Controlling Class of Notes, a Majority of the Composite Securities and a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding Preference Shares held by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates), and, notwithstanding any such consent, no delegation of obligations or duties by the Portfolio Manager (including, without limitation, to an entity described above) shall relieve the Portfolio Manager from any liability hereunder.

Subject to Section 12, any assignment of this Agreement to any Person, in whole or in part, by the Portfolio Manager shall be deemed null and void unless (i) such assignment is consented to in writing by the Issuer, the Controlling Class of Notes and the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding Preference Shares held by the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates) and (ii) the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to any such assignment. Any assignment consented to by the Issuer and such Noteholders and Holders of Preference Shares shall bind the assignee hereunder in the same manner as the Portfolio Manager is bound. In addition, the assignee shall execute and deliver to the Issuer and the Trustee a counterpart of this Agreement naming such assignee as Portfolio Manager. Upon the execution and delivery of such a counterpart by the assignee and consent thereto by the Issuer, such Noteholders and such Holders of the Preference Shares, the Portfolio Manager shall be released from further obligations pursuant to this Agreement, except with respect to its obligations arising under

Section 10 of this Agreement prior to such assignment and except with respect to its obligations under Sections 2(c)(i) and 15 hereof. This Agreement shall not be assigned by the Issuer without the prior written consent of the Portfolio Manager and the Trustee, except in the case of assignment by the Issuer to (i) an entity which is a successor to the Issuer permitted under the Indenture, in which case such successor organization shall be bound hereunder and by the terms of said assignment in the same manner as the Issuer is bound thereunder or (ii) the Trustee as contemplated by the Indenture. In the event of any assignment by the Issuer, the Issuer shall cause its successor to execute and deliver to the Portfolio Manager such documents as the Portfolio Manager shall consider reasonably necessary to effect fully such assignment. The Portfolio Manager hereby consents to the matters set forth in Article 15 of the Indenture.

14. Termination by the Issuer for Cause.

Subject to Section 12(g) above, this Agreement shall be terminated, and the Portfolio Manager shall be removed, by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee or the Controlling Class of Notes or by a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates), in each case for cause upon 10 days' prior written notice to the Portfolio Manager and upon written notice to the Noteholders and the Holders of the Preference Shares as set forth below. For purposes of determining "cause" with respect to any such termination of this Agreement, such term shall mean any one of the following events:

(a) the Portfolio Manager willfully breaches in any respect, or takes any action that it knows violates in any respect, any provision of this Agreement or any terms of the Indenture applicable to it;

(b) the Portfolio Manager breaches in any material respect any provision of this Agreement or any terms of the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement applicable to it, or any representation, warranty, certification or statement given in writing by the Portfolio Manager shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or given, and the Portfolio Manager fails to cure such breach or take such action so that the facts (after giving effect to such action) conform in all material respects to such representation, warranty, certificate or statement, in each case within 30 days of becoming aware of, or receiving notice from, the Trustee of, such breach or materially incorrect representation, warranty, certificate or statement;

(c) the Portfolio Manager is wound up or dissolved (other than a dissolution in which the remaining members elect to continue the business of the Portfolio Manager in accordance with its Governing Instruments) or there is appointed over it or a substantial portion of its assets a receiver, administrator, administrative receiver, trustee or similar officer, or the Portfolio Manager (i) ceases to be able to, or admits in writing its inability to, pay its debts as they become due and payable, or makes a general assignment for the benefit of or enters into any composition or arrangement with, its creditors generally; (ii) applies for or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, assignee, custodian, liquidator or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Portfolio Manager or of any substantial part of its properties or assets, or authorizes such an application or consent, or proceedings seeking such appointment are commenced without such authorization, consent or application against the Portfolio Manager and continue undismissed for 60 days; (iii) authorizes or files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, or applies for or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the application of any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, readjustment of debt, insolvency or dissolution, or authorizes such application or consent, or proceedings to such end are instituted against the Portfolio Manager without such authorization, application or consent and are approved as properly instituted and remain undismissed for 60 days or result in adjudication of bankruptcy or insolvency; or (iv) permits or suffers



all or any substantial part of its properties or assets to be sequestered or attached by court order and the order remains undismissed for 60 days;

(d) the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture that results from any breach by the Portfolio Manager of its duties under the Indenture or this Agreement, which breach or default is not cured within any applicable cure period;

(e) (x) the occurrence of an act by the Portfolio Manager related to its activities in any securities, financial advisory or other investment business that constitutes fraud, (y) the Portfolio Manager being indicted, or any of its principals being convicted, of a felony criminal offense related to its activities in any securities, financial advisory or other investment business or (z) the Portfolio Manager being indicted for, adjudged liable in a civil suit for, or convicted of a violation of the Securities Act or any other United States Federal securities law or any rules or regulations thereunder; or

(f) a Change of Control shall occur with respect to the Portfolio Manager.

If any of the events specified in this Section 14 shall occur, the Portfolio Manager shall give prompt written notice thereof to the Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Share Paying Agent and the Holders of all outstanding Notes and Preference Shares upon the Portfolio Manager's becoming aware of the occurrence of such event. The Controlling Class of Notes and a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates) may, acting together, waive any event described above as a basis for termination of this Agreement and removal of the Portfolio Manager under this Section 14.

15. Action Upon Termination.

(a) From and after the effective date of termination of this Agreement, the Portfolio Manager shall not be entitled to compensation for further services hereunder, but shall be paid all compensation accrued to the date of termination, as provided in Section 8 hereof, and shall be entitled to receive any amounts owing under Section 10 hereof. Upon the effective date of termination of this Agreement, the Portfolio Manager shall as soon as practicable:

(i) deliver to the Issuer all property and documents of the Trustee or the Issuer or otherwise relating to the Collateral then in the custody of the Portfolio Manager; and

(ii) deliver to the Trustee an accounting with respect to the books and records delivered to the Trustee or the successor Portfolio Manager appointed pursuant to Section 12(e) hereof.

Notwithstanding such termination, the Portfolio Manager shall remain liable to the extent set forth herein (but subject to Section 10 hereof) for its acts or omissions hereunder arising prior to termination and for any expenses, losses, damages, liabilities, demands, charges and claims (including reasonable attorneys' fees) in respect of or arising out of a breach of the representations and warranties made by the Portfolio Manager in Section 16(b) hereof or from any failure of the Portfolio Manager to comply with the provisions of this Section 15.

(b) The Portfolio Manager agrees that, notwithstanding any termination, it shall reasonably cooperate in any Proceeding arising in connection with this Agreement, the Indenture or any of the Collateral (excluding any such Proceeding in which claims are asserted against the Portfolio

Manager or any Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager) upon receipt of appropriate indemnification and expense reimbursement.

16. Representations and Warranties.

(a) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants to the Portfolio Manager as follows:

(i) The Issuer has been duly registered and is validly existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands, has full power and authority to own its assets and the securities proposed to be owned by it and included in the Collateral and to transact the business in which it is presently engaged and is duly qualified under the laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Indenture, the Notes or the Preference Shares would require, such qualification, except for failures to be so qualified, authorized or licensed that would not in the aggregate have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Issuer.

(ii) The Issuer has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement, the Indenture, the Notes and the Preference Shares and all obligations required hereunder, under the Indenture, the Notes and the Preference Shares and has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement, the Indenture, the Notes and the Preference Shares on the terms and conditions hereof and thereof and the execution by the Issuer, delivery and performance of this Agreement, the Indenture, the Notes and the Preference Shares and the performance of all obligations imposed upon it hereunder and thereunder. No consent of any other person including, without limitation, stockholders and creditors of the Issuer, and no license, permit, approval or authorization of, exemption by, notice or report to, or registration, filing or declaration with, any governmental authority, other than those that may be required under state securities or "blue sky" laws and those that have been or shall be obtained in connection with the Indenture and the issuance of the Notes and the Preference Shares, is required by the Issuer in connection with this Agreement, the Indenture, the Notes or the Preference Shares or the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Agreement, the Indenture, the Notes or the Preference Shares or the obligations imposed upon it hereunder or thereunder. This Agreement constitutes, and each instrument or document required hereunder, when executed and delivered hereunder, shall constitute, the legally valid and binding obligation of the Issuer enforceable against the Issuer in accordance with its terms, subject to (a) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights and (b) general equitable principles.

(iii) The execution by the Issuer, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the documents and instruments required hereunder shall not violate any provision of any existing law or regulation binding on the Issuer, or any order, judgment, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or governmental authority binding on the Issuer, or the Governing Instruments of, or any securities issued by, the Issuer or of any mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking to which the Issuer is a party or by which the Issuer or any of its assets may be bound, the violation of which would have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Issuer, and shall not result in or require the creation or imposition of any lien on any of its property, assets or revenues pursuant to the provisions

of any such mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking (other than the lien of the Indenture).

(iv) The Issuer is not in violation of its Governing Instruments or in breach or violation of or in default under the Indenture or any contract or agreement to which it is a party or by which it or any of its assets may be bound, or any applicable statute or any rule, regulation or order of any court, government agency or body having jurisdiction over the Issuer or its properties, the breach or violation of which or default under which would have a material adverse effect on the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the performance by the Issuer of its duties hereunder.

(v) True and complete copies of the Indenture and the Issuer's Governing Instruments have been delivered to the Portfolio Manager.

The Issuer agrees to deliver a true and complete copy of each amendment to the documents referred to in Section 16(a)(v) above to the Portfolio Manager as promptly as practicable after its adoption or execution.

(b) The Portfolio Manager hereby represents and warrants to the Issuer as follows:

(i) The Portfolio Manager is a limited partnership duly organized and validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware, has full power and authority to own its assets and to transact the business in which it is currently engaged and is duly qualified and in good standing under the laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of this Agreement would require such qualification, except for those jurisdictions in which the failure to be so qualified, authorized or licensed would not have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Portfolio Manager or on the ability of the Portfolio Manager to perform its obligations under, or on the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement and the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager.

(ii) The Portfolio Manager has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement and all obligations required hereunder and under the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager, and has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement on the terms and conditions hereof and the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and all obligations required hereunder and under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager. No consent of any other person, including, without limitation, creditors of the Portfolio Manager, and no license, permit, approval or authorization of, exemption by, notice or report to, or registration, filing or declaration with, any governmental authority is required by the Portfolio Manager in connection with this Agreement or the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the obligations required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager. This Agreement has been, and each instrument and document required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture shall be, executed and delivered by a duly authorized partner of the Portfolio Manager, and this Agreement constitutes, and each instrument and document required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture when executed and delivered by the Portfolio Manager hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture shall constitute, the valid and legally binding obligations of the Portfolio

Manager enforceable against the Portfolio Manager in accordance with their terms, subject to (a) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights and (b) general equitable principles.

(iii) The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager and the documents and instruments required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture shall not violate or conflict with any provision of any existing law or regulation binding on or applicable to the Portfolio Manager, or any order, judgment, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or governmental authority binding on the Portfolio Manager, or the Governing Instruments of, or any securities issued by the Portfolio Manager or of any mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking to which the Portfolio Manager is a party or by which the Portfolio Manager or any of its assets may be bound, the violation of which would have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Portfolio Manager or its ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement and the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager, and shall not result in or require the creation or imposition of any lien on any of its material property, assets or revenues pursuant to the provisions of any such mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking.

(iv) There is no charge, investigation, action, suit or proceeding before or by any court pending or, to the best knowledge of the Portfolio Manager, threatened that, if determined adversely to the Portfolio Manager, would have a material adverse effect upon the performance by the Portfolio Manager of its duties under, or on the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement and the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager hereunder.

(v) The Portfolio Manager is a registered investment advisor under the United States Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended.

(vi) The Portfolio Manager is not in violation of its Governing Instruments or in breach or violation of or in default under any contract or agreement to which it is a party or by which it or any of its property may be bound, or any applicable statute or any rule, regulation or order of any court, government agency or body having jurisdiction over the Portfolio Manager or its properties, the breach or violation of which or default under which would have a material adverse effect on the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager, or the performance by the Portfolio Manager of its duties hereunder.

17. Notices.

Unless expressly provided otherwise herein, all notices, requests, demands and other communications required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing (including by telecopy) and shall be deemed to have been duly given, made and received when delivered against receipt or upon actual receipt of registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, or, in the case of telecopy notice, when received in legible form, addressed as set forth below:

(a) If to the Issuer:

Southfork CLO, Ltd.  
P.O. Box 1093 GT  
Queensgate House, South Church Street,  
George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands  
Telecopy: (345) 945-7100  
Attention: The Directors

(b) If to the Portfolio Manager:

Highland Capital Management, L.P.  
Two Galleria Tower  
13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300  
Dallas, Texas 75240  
Telephone: (972) 628-4100  
Telecopy: (972) 628-4147  
Attention: James Dondero

(c) If to the Trustee:

JPMorgan Chase Bank  
600 Travis Street, 50<sup>th</sup> Floor,  
Houston, Texas 77002  
Telecopy: (713) 216-2101  
Attention: Institutional Trust Services—Southfork CLO Ltd.

(d) If to the Noteholders:

In accordance with Section 14.4 of the Indenture, at their respective addresses set forth on the Note Register.

(e) If to the Holders of the Preference Shares:

In accordance with Section 14.4 of the Indenture, to the Preference Share Paying Agent at the address identified therein.

Any party may alter the address or telecopy number to which communications or copies are to be sent by giving notice of such change of address in conformity with the provisions of this Section 17 for the giving of notice.

18. Binding Nature of Agreement; Successors and Assigns.

This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns as provided herein. The Portfolio Manager hereby consents to the collateral assignment of this Agreement as provided in the Indenture and further agrees that the Trustee may enforce the Portfolio Manager's obligations hereunder.

19. Entire Agreement.

This Agreement contains the entire agreement and understanding among the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements, understandings, inducements and conditions, express or implied, oral or written, of any nature whatsoever with respect to the subject matter hereof. The express terms hereof control and supersede any course of performance and/or usage of the trade inconsistent with any of the terms hereof. This Agreement may not be modified or amended other than by an agreement in writing executed by the parties hereto and in accordance with the terms of Section 15.1(f)(iv) of the Indenture.

20. Conflict with the Indenture.

Subject to the last two sentences of Section 2(a)(ii), in the event that this Agreement requires any action to be taken with respect to any matter and the Indenture requires that a different action be taken with respect to such matter, and such actions are mutually exclusive, the provisions of the Indenture in respect thereof shall control.

21. Priority of Payments.

The Portfolio Manager agrees that the payment of all amounts to which it is entitled pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture shall be due and payable only in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Indenture and only to the extent funds are available for such payments in accordance with such priorities.

22. Governing Law.

**THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS PROVISIONS THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION.**

23. Indulgences Not Waivers.

Neither the failure nor any delay on the part of any party hereto to exercise any right, remedy, power or privilege under this Agreement shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power or privilege preclude any other or further exercise of the same or of any other right, remedy, power or privilege, nor shall any waiver of any right, remedy, power or privilege with respect to any occurrence be construed as a waiver of such right, remedy, power or privilege with respect to any other occurrence. No waiver shall be effective unless it is in writing and is signed by the party asserted to have granted such waiver.

24. Costs and Expenses.

Except as may otherwise be agreed in writing, the costs and expenses (including the fees and disbursements of counsel and accountants) incurred by each party in connection with the negotiation and preparation of and the execution of this Agreement, and all matters incident thereto, shall be borne by such party.

25. Titles Not to Affect Interpretation.

The titles of paragraphs and subparagraphs contained in this Agreement are for convenience only, and they neither form a part of this Agreement nor are they to be used in the construction or interpretation hereof.

26. Execution in Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts by facsimile or other written form of communication, each of which shall be deemed to be an original as against any party whose signature appears thereon, and all of which shall together constitute one and the same instrument. This Agreement shall become binding when one or more counterparts hereof, individually or taken together, shall bear the signatures of all of the parties reflected hereon as the signatories.

27. Provisions Separable.

In case any provision in this Agreement shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable as written, such provision shall be construed in the manner most closely resembling the apparent intent of the parties with respect to such provision so as to be valid, legal and enforceable; provided, however, that if there is no basis for such a construction, such provision shall be ineffective only to the extent of such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability and, unless the ineffectiveness of such provision destroys the basis of the bargain for one of the parties to this Agreement, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions hereof or thereof shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

28. Number and Gender.

Words used herein, regardless of the number and gender specifically used, shall be deemed and construed to include any other number, singular or plural, and any other gender, masculine, feminine or neuter, as the context requires.

29. Written Disclosure Statement.

The Issuer and the Trustee acknowledge receipt of Part II of the Portfolio Manager's Form ADV filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, as required by Rule 204-3 under the Advisers Act, more than 48 hours prior to the date of execution of this Agreement.

30. Miscellaneous.

(a) In the event that any vote is solicited with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, shall vote or refrain from voting any such security in any manner permitted by the Indenture that the Portfolio Manager has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Noteholders and the Holders of the Preference Shares. In addition, with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, may instruct the trustee for such Defaulted Collateral Obligation to enforce the Issuer's

rights under the Underlying Instruments governing such Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any applicable law, rule or regulation in any manner permitted under the Indenture that the Portfolio Manager has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Noteholders and the Holders of the Preference Shares. In the event any Offer is made with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, may take such action as is permitted by the Indenture and that the Portfolio Manager has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Noteholders and the Holders of the Preference Shares.

(b) In connection with taking or omitting any action under the Indenture or this Agreement, the Portfolio Manager may consult with counsel and may rely in good faith on the advice of such counsel or any opinion of counsel.

Without prejudice to Section 14(f) hereof, any corporation, partnership or limited liability company into which the Portfolio Manager may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any corporation, partnership or limited liability company resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Portfolio Manager shall be a party, or any corporation, partnership or limited liability company succeeding to all or substantially all of the collateral management business of the Portfolio Manager, shall be the successor to the Portfolio Manager without any further action by the Portfolio Manager, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Noteholders or any other person or entity.

### 31. Limitation of Liabilities.

The Issuer's obligations hereunder are solely the corporate obligations of the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager shall not have any recourse to any of the directors, officers, shareholders, members or incorporators of the Issuer with respect to any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations in connection with any transactions contemplated hereby, except for any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations caused by the gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct of such directors, officers, shareholders, members or incorporators of the Issuer. The obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be limited to the net proceeds of the Collateral, if any, and following realization of the Collateral and its application in accordance with the Indenture, any outstanding obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. The provisions of this section shall survive termination of this Agreement.

### 32. Consent to Posting of Documents on Repository.

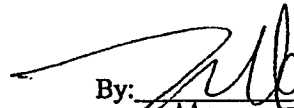
The Portfolio Manager hereby consents to (i) the posting of the final Offering Circular, the Indenture and any Hedge Agreements (collectively, the "Documents") and the periodic reports to be delivered pursuant to the Documents and any amendments or other modifications thereto on the Repository (as such term is defined in the Indenture) for use in the manner provided in the Repository; and (ii) the display of its name on the Repository in connection therewith.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., as  
Portfolio Manager

BY: STRAND ADVISORS, INC., as General  
Partner

By:   
Name: MARK OKADA  
Title: CIO

SOUTHFORK CLO LTD., as Issuer

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

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Name:  
Title:

SOUTHFORK CLO LTD., as Issuer

By:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: **Phillip Hinds**  
Title: **Director**

## **EXHIBIT III**

**Execution Copy**

**Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement  
As of March 15, 2005**

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as  
Preference Shares Paying Agent  
Institutional Trust Services  
Southfork CLO Ltd.  
600 Travis Street, 50th Floor  
Houston, Texas 77002

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Southfork CLO Ltd., a company existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the "**Issuer**"), has resolved to appoint JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association ("**JPMCB**"), as Preference Shares Paying Agent (the "**Preference Shares Paying Agent**") for the Issuer's Preference Shares (the "**Preference Shares**"). We hereby appoint JPMCB as such under the terms set forth below and confirm JPMCB's agreement to hold any funds to be paid to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Priority of Payments set forth in the Indenture (as defined herein) in a segregated account described below. Reference is also made to the indenture, dated as of March 15, 2005, among the Issuer, Southfork CLO Corp., as Co-Issuer (the "**Co-Issuer**"), Assured Guaranty Corp., as insurer, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as trustee (the "**Indenture**"). Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings assigned thereto in the Indenture or, if not defined therein, certain resolutions passed at a meeting of the Issuer's Board of Directors that was held on March 14, 2005, as reflected in the minutes thereof, including Annex A ("**Annex A**") therein (the "**Resolutions**"). The Preference Shares will be issued, and may be exchanged or transferred, subject to the procedures set forth in Annex A to the Resolutions.

Except as otherwise specified herein or as the context may otherwise require or dictate or unless the Composite Securities are explicitly addressed in the same context, (A) all references in this Agreement to the "Preference Shares" include the "Preference Share Component" of the Class 1 Composite Securities and (B) all references in this Agreement to the rights of the Holders of the Preference Shares (including with respect to any payments, distributions, redemptions, votes or consents to be given by such Holders) include the rights of the Holders of the Class 1 Composite Securities to the extent of the Preference Share Component of the Class 1 Composite Securities.

Section 1. Notice of Distribution to Directors. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, promptly after receipt of the Valuation Report, shall forward to the Directors the Valuation Report which identifies the Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds, payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares on the applicable Payment Date (or, with respect to the Preference Share Components, the Composite Securities Payment Date).

Section 2. Payments of Dividends and Other Distributions, Amounts Not Distributable. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, subject to paragraphs (b) and (c)

below, pay or cause to be paid, on behalf of the Issuer on such Payment Date (or, with respect to the Preference Share Components, the Composite Securities Payment Date), the Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds received from the Trustee to the Holders of the Preference Shares as a distribution on such Payment Date (or, with respect to the Preference Share Components, such Composite Securities Payment Date). Distributions of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to the Holders of Preference Shares shall be paid *pro rata* in the proportion that the number of Preference Shares held by each such Holder bears to the total number of Preference Shares. The Issuer, or the Share Registrar on its behalf, shall provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with a copy of the Preference Share register on the Closing Date and thereafter, the Share Registrar shall promptly notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent of any changes to the Preference Share register. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall notify the Issuer and the Share Registrar of any transfers.

(b) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, distributions of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds by way of dividend to the Holders of Preference Shares on any Payment Date (or, with respect to the Preference Share Components, the Composite Securities Payment Date) out of amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account shall (i) be subject to the Issuer being solvent under Cayman Islands law (defined as the Issuer being able to pay its debts as they become due in the ordinary course of business) immediately prior to, and after giving effect to, such payment as determined by the Issuer and (ii) be made only to the extent that the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium out of which to make such payment as determined by the Issuer. If the Issuer determines that the conditions set forth in either clause (i) or (ii) above are not satisfied with respect to any portion of Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds payable on such Payment Date (or, with respect to the Preference Share Components, such Composite Securities Payment Date), the Issuer shall instruct the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing no later than one Business Day prior to such Payment Date (or, with respect to the Preference Share Components, such Composite Securities Payment Date) that such portion of Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds, as applicable, should not be paid, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not pay the same, to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the first succeeding Payment Date (or, with respect to the Preference Share Components, such Composite Securities Payment Date), or (in the case of any payments which would otherwise be payable on the Redemption Date or any Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) until the first succeeding Business Day, upon which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing that each such condition is satisfied, at which time the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall distribute such amounts. To the extent available, distributions shall be made first out of distributable profits for the current Due Period, then out of distributable profits in excess of dividends for prior Due Periods and then out of share premium.

(c) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, distributions of the Redemption Price by way of redemption of the Preference Shares shall be subject to the Issuer being solvent under Cayman Islands law (defined as the Issuer being able to pay its debts as they become due in the ordinary course of business) immediately prior to, and after giving effect to, such distribution as determined by the Issuer. For purposes of this subsection (c), a determination as to whether the Issuer is solvent on the Redemption Date shall be made by the

Issuer (A) after giving effect to any payments to be made on such Redemption Date and (B) in light of the fact that the obligations of the Issuer to the Holders of the Securities, the other Secured Parties and the other Persons subject to the Priority of Payments are limited in recourse to the Collateral (and, in respect of the Composite Securities, the Class 1 Collateral), and not to amounts (i) in the Preference Shares Distribution Account, (ii) any other amounts released from the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral in accordance with the Indenture and held by or on behalf of the Issuer for the benefit of the Holders of the Preference Shares or (iii) amounts on deposit in the Issuer's bank account in the Cayman Islands, and that after the assets in the Collateral or the Class 1 Collateral are exhausted, such parties will have no further claim against the Issuer. If the Issuer determines that such condition is not satisfied on a Redemption Date with respect to any portion of the Redemption Price, the Issuer shall instruct the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing no later than one Business Day prior to such Redemption Date that such portion should not be distributed, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not distribute the same, to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the first succeeding Business Day upon which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing that such condition is satisfied, and the amounts so retained in the Preference Shares Distribution Account will be held therein until such amounts are paid.

Section 3. Payments and Redemption. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall make payments or distributions to each registered Holder on the relevant Record Date (as set out in Annex A to the Resolutions) by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a U.S. Dollar account maintained by the Holder as notified to the Preference Shares Paying Agent or, in the absence of such notification, by U.S. Dollar check mailed to the Holder at its address of record. The Issuer will, or will procure that the Share Registrar will, provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with all relevant information regarding the registered Holders of the Preference Shares as the Preference Shares Paying Agent may reasonably require to the extent such information is in possession or control of the Issuer or Share Registrar.

(b) The Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be obligated to pay any additional amounts to Holders or beneficial owners of the Preference Shares as a result of any withholding or deduction for, or on account of, any present or future taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges. As a condition to payment of any amount, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, may require certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments or distributions in respect of Preference Shares under any present or future law or regulation of the United States or any present or future law or regulation of any political subdivision thereof or taxing authority therein or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under such law or regulation. Amounts properly withheld under the Code by any Person from a payment or distribution to a Holder of Preference Shares shall be considered as having been paid by the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent to such Holder for all purposes herein. The Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereby provide notice to each Holder or beneficial owner of the Preference Shares that the failure to provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with appropriate tax certifications will result in amounts being withheld from payments to such Holders or beneficial owners of the Preference Shares under this

Agreement (provided that amounts withheld pursuant to applicable tax laws shall be considered as having been paid by the Issuer as provided herein).

(c) The Issuer, the Share Registrar and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem and treat the Holder of any Preference Shares as the absolute owner of such Preference Shares, notwithstanding any notation of ownership or other writing on any certificate representing such Preference Shares, for the purpose of paying dividends and other distributions thereon, and for all other purposes, and neither the Issuer nor the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be affected by any notice to the contrary. All such payments so made to such Holder or upon such Holder's order shall be valid and, to the extent of the sum or sums so paid, effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability for the monies payable upon any such Preference Share.

(d) All payments by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder shall be made without charging any commission or fee to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

(e) On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Issuer shall redeem the Preference Shares for a redemption price equal to all amounts distributable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Priority of Payments set forth in the Indenture, unless the Preference Shares have been redeemed earlier through an optional redemption or otherwise. Upon final payment due on the Preference Shares (whether on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date or any earlier Redemption Date), the Holder thereof shall present and surrender the certificates, if any, representing the Preference Shares at the office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent on or prior to such final payment date. On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, all payments on redemption of Preference Shares to the Holders of the Preference Shares shall be made *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings.

Notice of final payment of the Preference Shares pursuant to an optional redemption in conjunction with an optional redemption of the Notes shall be given as set forth in Section 9.3 of the Indenture. Notice of any other final payment shall be given by the Preference Shares Paying Agent by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days nor earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date to each Holder of Preference Shares at such Holder's address as set forth in the Preference Share register.

All notices of redemption shall state:

- (i) the Redemption Date on which the Preference Shares are to be redeemed;
- (ii) the applicable Redemption Price for the Preference Shares being redeemed;
- (iii) the place or places where such Preference Shares to be redeemed are to be surrendered for payment of the applicable Redemption Price, which shall be the office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent; and
- (iv) in the case of an optional redemption, the latest possible date upon which such notice of redemption may be withdrawn.

The Issuer shall have the option to withdraw any such notice of redemption up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) in each case only if either (i) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) of the Indenture, the Portfolio Manager does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications required under the Indenture (as described in Section 9.3(c) and 12.1(f) of the Indenture), as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, (ii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i) of the Indenture, the Issuer receives the written direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption and (iii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii) of the Indenture, the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer thereby agrees for the benefit of the directing person to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (ii) or this clause (iii)). Notice of any such withdrawal shall be delivered pursuant to Section 9.3 of the Indenture.

Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Preference Shares.

(f) On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, so long as all administrative and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Management Fee and the Subordinated Management Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture and the Insurance Documents to the Insurer and all amounts owing under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged:

(i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings; or

(ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, voting as a single Class or group, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such direction.

(g) If any Holder of Preference Shares desires to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Notes in accordance with Article 9 of the Indenture, such Holder shall notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Portfolio Manager not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made. If the Holders of at least 63% of the Preference Shares direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Notes, the Issuer



shall effect an Optional Redemption of the Notes pursuant to the procedures described in the Indenture.

(h) If any Holder of Preference Shares desires to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares after the redemption or repayment of the Notes and in accordance with Section (f)(i) and (ii) above, such Holder shall notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent not later than 30 (or with the Portfolio Manager's consent, not later than 10) Business Days prior to the proposed Redemption Date (which must be a Payment Date). Each Holder of Preference Shares that also wishes to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares must so notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent (who shall promptly notify the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager of such direction) within 10 Business Days after receipt of such notice. If the aggregate number of Preference Shares that have directed the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares equals or exceeds the minimum threshold set forth in Section (f)(i) and (ii) above, the Issuer shall effect an optional redemption of the Preference Shares pursuant to the procedures described in the Preference Share Documents and this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Preference Shares must be redeemed on or prior to the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. The Preference Shares shall be redeemed from the proceeds of any Collateral remaining after giving effect to the redemption or repayment of the Notes and payment in full of all expenses of the Co-Issuers.

Section 4. Preference Shares Distribution Account. (a) On or prior to the Closing Date, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the "Preference Shares Distribution Account" (the "**Preference Shares Distribution Account**") that shall be held in trust in the name of the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the benefit of the Issuer, over which the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall cause the Trustee to make any payment pursuant to the Priority of Payments by wire transfer (or by internal transfer if the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent are the same Person) to the Preference Shares Distribution Account in immediately available funds. All sums received by the Preference Shares Paying Agent from the Trustee or the Issuer for payment of dividends or other distributions or the Redemption Price in respect of the Preference Shares shall be deposited promptly in the Preference Shares Distribution Account until the first Payment Date (or, with respect to the Preference Share Components, such Composite Securities Payment Date) or, in the case of the payment of the Redemption Price in respect of the Preference Shares, the first Business Day, on which, in either case, the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent that such distribution can be made to the Holders of the Preference Shares in accordance with Section 2. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall then apply such funds as provided for in Section 3. All sums payable by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder shall be paid out of the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

(b) Notwithstanding anything herein, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not incur any personal liability to pay amounts due to Holders of the Preference Shares and shall only be required to make payments or other distributions (including the Redemption Price thereof) if there are sufficient monies in the Preference Shares Distribution Account to make such payments or other distributions.

(c) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no right of set off with respect to amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

(d) Amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account that are not paid out may be invested in an interest-bearing account as directed in writing by the Issuer.

Section 5. Unclaimed Payments. Except as otherwise required by applicable law, any money deposited with the Preference Shares Paying Agent and held in the Preference Shares Distribution Account or otherwise held for payment on any Preference Share and remaining unclaimed for two years after such payment has become due and payable shall be paid to the Issuer on Issuer Request; and the Holder of such Preference Share shall thereafter look only to the Issuer for payment of such amounts and all liability of the Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such money (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Issuer) shall thereupon cease. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, before being required to make any such release of payment, may, but shall not be required to, adopt and employ, at the expense of the Issuer any reasonable means of notification of such release of payment, including, but not limited to, arranging with the Share Registrar for the Share Registrar to mail notice of such release to Holders of Preference Shares whose right to or interest in monies due and payable but not claimed is determinable from the records of the Issuer or Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, at the last address of record of each such Holder.

Section 6. Purchase of Preference Shares. (a) Each Holder or beneficial owner of a Preference Share, by its ownership of such Preference Share, acknowledges and agrees that such Holder or beneficial owner of a Preference Share will be required to sell its beneficial interest in such Preference Share in the following circumstances:

(i) any Non-Consenting Holder of Preference Shares with respect to an amendment of the Indenture (which includes Holders that fail to respond to a consent solicitation with the applicable period) will be forced to sell its applicable Preference Shares pursuant to Section 9.6 of the Indenture, whereby the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser is permitted to purchase the beneficial interest in the Preference Shares held by any such Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; or

(ii) any Holder of a Directing Preference Share with respect to the removal of the Portfolio Manager without cause will be forced to sell its applicable Preference Shares pursuant to Section 12(c) of the Management Agreement, whereby the Portfolio Manager is permitted to purchase the beneficial interest in all Directing Preference Shares held by any such Holder thereof at the applicable Buy-Out Amount; and

(b) Each Holder or beneficial owner of a Preference Share will have the right to sell its beneficial interest in such Preference Share to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser upon a Maturity Extension pursuant to Section 2.4 of the Indenture at the applicable Extension Purchase Price.

Section 7. Execution, Delivery and Dating. The certificates (if required by the Resolutions) relating to the Preference Shares shall be executed on behalf of the Issuer as provided for in the Articles.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Agreement, the Issuer may deliver Preference Share certificates (the "**Preference Share Certificates**") executed by the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, upon Issuer Order, shall deliver such Preference Share Certificates as provided in this Agreement and not otherwise.

Each Preference Share Certificate delivered by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to or upon Issuer Order on the Closing Date shall be dated the Closing Date. All other Preference Share Certificates that are delivered after the Closing Date for any other purpose under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement shall be dated the date of their delivery.

Section 8. Registration, Registration of Transfer and Exchange. (a) When the Preference Shares Paying Agent receives a request for transfer or exchange of Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall comply with its obligations as set forth in Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions.

(b) No exchange or transfer of the Preference Shares shall be honored unless the transferee represents or is deemed to represent that (i) the transferee, and any account on behalf of which the transferee is purchasing the Preference Shares, is not and will not be an ERISA Plan, and if, after its initial acquisition of Preference Shares, the transferee determines, it is determined by another person, or the Preference Shares Paying Agent becomes aware that it or any such account is an ERISA Plan, such transferee will dispose of its interest in the Preference Shares in a manner consistent with the requirements set forth in Annex A to the Resolutions and (ii) if the transferee is a Benefit Plan Investor that is not an ERISA Plan, the transferee's purchase, holding and disposition of a Preference Share or any beneficial interest therein will not result in a non-exempt violation of any U.S. federal, state, local or non-U.S. law which is substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code.

(c) Notwithstanding anything else contained herein to the contrary, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be responsible for ascertaining whether any purchase or transfer complies with, including but not limited to, the registration provisions of or exemptions from the Securities Act, applicable state laws, the Code, ERISA, the Plan Asset Regulations or the Investment Company Act; provided that if a certificate or other written representation is specifically required by the express terms of this Agreement or Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions to be delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by the purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine whether the same substantially conforms on its face with the terms of this Agreement or Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions, as applicable, and shall promptly notify the party delivering the same if such certificate does not comply with such terms.

(d) The Issuer shall (and shall cause the Share Registrar to) consult the Preference Shares Paying Agent in connection with all transfers of Preference Shares and shall

(and shall cause the Share Registrar to) direct all transferors and transferees to correspond through the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Share Registrar shall not be required to determine whether any proposed exchange, transfer, redemption or other transaction in relation to the Preference Shares complies with any restrictions imposed by law or under the terms of the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents but shall be entitled to rely completely in that respect on the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

(e) In the event that the Preference Shares Paying Agent is notified by the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer) that any Holder of Preference Shares has failed to provide the Issuer with the applicable United States federal income tax certifications, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall notify the Share Registrar and request it to record such transfer. Except as expressly provided herein or as required by this Agreement in connection with the Preference Shares Paying Agent's obligations to the Holders of Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no obligation to oversee or participate in any such transfer of Preference Shares.

Each purchaser or subsequent transferee (other than a subsequent transferee of Regulation S Global Preference Shares) of Preference Shares will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Trustee written certification in a form acceptable to the Issuer and the Trustee as to whether it is an Affected Bank and each subsequent transferee of Regulation S Global Preference Shares will be deemed to represent to the Issuer and to the Trustee that it is not an Affected Bank. No transfer of any Preference Share to an Affected Bank will be effective, and the Trustee will not recognize any such transfer, unless such transfer is specifically authorized by the Issuer in writing; provided, however, that the Issuer shall authorize any such transfer if (x) such transfer would not cause more than 33 1/3% of the aggregate outstanding amount of the Preference Shares (including the Preference Share Components of the Class 1 Composite Securities) to be owned by Affected Banks or (y) the transferor is an Affected Bank previously approved by the Issuer.

Section 9. Fees and Indemnification. The fee to be paid in connection with the Preference Shares Paying Agent's appointment and duties as Preference Shares Paying Agent is U.S.\$5,000 for each year any Preference Shares are outstanding. The fees payable hereunder shall be paid by the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent's account as directed by the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Issuer will indemnify the Preference Shares Paying Agent and its officers, directors, employees and agents, against any loss, liability or expense (including reasonable legal fees and out-of-pocket expenses of counsel) incurred in connection with their appointment and duties hereunder, except such as result from their own gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Preference Shares Paying Agent agrees that such fees and indemnification shall be treated as an Administrative Expense of the Issuer as defined in the Indenture and paid pursuant to the Priority of Payments. Anything in this Agreement notwithstanding, in no event shall the Preference Shares Paying Agent be liable for special, indirect or consequential losses or damages of any kind whatsoever (including but not limited to loss of profits), even if the Preference Shares Paying Agent has been advised of such loss or damage and regardless of the form of action. The obligation of the Issuer to indemnify the Preference Shares Paying Agent under this Section 9 shall survive retirement of the

Preference Shares and any resignation or removal of the Preference Shares Paying Agent but shall remain subject to the provisions of Section 21.

Section 10. Liabilities. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be responsible or accountable to anyone for any reason whatsoever with respect to the validity of this Agreement or of the Preference Shares, or for any act done or omitted by it in good faith, or for anything whatsoever in connection with this Agreement, except for its own gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct in the performance of any duty to be performed by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder.

(b) The Preference Shares Paying Agent may consult as to legal matters with lawyers selected with due care by it, who may be employees of or regular independent counsel to the Issuer, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be protected from and shall incur no liability for action taken, or suffered to be taken, with respect to such matters in good faith and in accordance with the opinion or advice of such lawyers.

(c) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be protected from and shall incur no liability for or in respect of any action taken or thing suffered by it in reliance upon any Preference Shares, notice, direction, consent, certificate, affidavit, statement or other paper or document reasonably believed by it to be genuine and to have been delivered or signed by the proper parties, except as may result from its own gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct or that of its directors, officers, employees or agents.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be under any liability for interest on any money at any time received by it pursuant to any of the provisions of this Agreement, except as otherwise agreed in writing with the Issuer.

(e) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not incur any liability with respect to the validity or value of any of the Preference Shares unless otherwise specified herein.

Section 11. Conflicts. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent and its officers, directors and employees may become the holder of, or acquire any interest in, any Preference Shares, with the same rights that it or they would have if it were not the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder, or they were not such officers, directors, or employees, and may engage or be interested in any fiscal or other transaction with the Issuer and may act on, or as depository, trustee or agent for, any committee or body of holders of Preference Shares or other indebtedness of the Issuer as freely as if it were not the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder or they were not such officers, directors, or employees.

(b) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be obliged to perform such duties and only such duties as are specifically set forth herein, and no implied duties or obligations shall be read into this Agreement or the Indenture against the Preference Shares Paying Agent. Except for Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions (to the extent they do not contradict this Agreement), the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no duties under Annex A to the Resolutions. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be under any obligation to take any action hereunder that may tend to involve it in any expenses or liability,

the payment of which within a reasonable time is not, in its reasonable opinion, assured to it. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be accountable or under any duty or responsibility in case of any default of which the Preference Shares Paying Agent has knowledge by the Issuer in the performance of its obligations contained in the Articles and Annex A to the Resolutions (including, without limitation, any duty or responsibility to initiate or attempt to initiate any proceedings at law or otherwise or to make any demand for payment upon the Issuer).

(c) In acting under this Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agent is acting solely as agent of the Issuer and does not assume any obligations to, or relationship of agency or trust for or with any of the owners or Holders of the Preference Shares. All funds held by the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment on the Preference Shares shall be held in trust for the Issuer, until paid.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, as between itself and the Holders of the Preference Shares, with respect to all the obligations, powers, authorities and discretions, vested in it hereunder and under the Articles and the Resolutions, have absolute and uncontrolled discretion as to the exercise thereof whether in relation to the manner or as to the mode of and time for the exercise thereof and, in the absence of gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct on its part or that of its officers, directors or employees shall be in no way responsible for any loss, costs, damages or inconvenience that may result from the exercise or non-exercise thereof.

Section 12. Amendment. (a) This Agreement may be amended by the parties hereto, without the consent of the Holders of any Preference Shares, for the purpose of curing any ambiguity, or of curing, correcting or supplementing any defective provision contained herein, or in regard to matters or questions arising under this Agreement as the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem necessary or desirable and which shall not materially adversely affect the interests of Holders of the Preference Shares.

(b) Unless otherwise as set forth in subsection (a) above, this Agreement may be amended with the consent of Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares materially and adversely affected thereby, as evidenced by Opinion of Counsel.

(c) Any amendment to this Agreement must be in writing executed by each party hereto.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to its duties and obligations herein) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an opinion of counsel, consent or certificate of the Issuer in determining whether or not any proposed amendment is permitted hereunder.

Section 13. Resignation or Removal of the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Preference Shares Paying Agent may at any time resign as the Preference Shares Paying Agent, by giving written notice to the Issuer of its resignation, specifying the date on which its resignation shall become effective (which date shall not be less than 60 days after the date on which such notice is given unless the Issuer shall agree to a shorter period). The Issuer may

remove the Preference Shares Paying Agent at any time by giving written notice of not less than 60 days to the Preference Shares Paying Agent specifying the date on which such removal shall become effective. Such resignation or removal shall only take effect upon the appointment by the Issuer of a successor Preference Shares Paying Agent and upon the acceptance of such appointment by such successor Preference Shares Paying Agent; provided, however, that in any event, such resignation or removal shall take effect not later than 90 days from the date of such notice of resignation or removal; provided, further, that after the retirement of the Notes, if the Issuer determines that no material distributions will be paid on the Preference Shares, the Issuer may remove the Preference Shares Paying Agent at any time, by giving written notice of not less than 10 days, and assume the duties of the Preference Shares Paying Agent itself.

Section 14. Assignment. No party hereto may assign or novate any of its rights or obligations hereunder except with the prior written consent of all the parties hereto.

Section 15. Reports and Notices. The Issuer hereby authorizes the Preference Shares Paying Agent to deliver or request the Trustee to deliver all Monthly Reports and Valuation Reports (each a "**Report**" and, collectively, "**Reports**") prepared pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares and the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deliver, or shall cause the Administrator or the Trustee to deliver a copy of any such Report to such Holders within two Business Days of receipt of any such Report. In addition, the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deliver, or shall cause the Administrator or the Trustee to deliver, a copy of any other notice or information that it has received from the Trustee under the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares within two Business Days of receipt of such notice and information.

Section 16. Notices. (a) All communications by or on behalf of the Issuer relating to the transfer, exchange, or payment of a Preference Share or any interest therein shall be directed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent at its address set forth in clause (b)(ii) below.

Where this Agreement provides for notice to Holders of the Preference Shares of any event, such notice shall be sufficiently given (unless otherwise herein expressly provided) if such notice is in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, to each Holder of the Preference Shares affected by such event, at such Holder's address as it appears on the Preference Share register, not later than the latest date, and not earlier than the earliest date, prescribed for the giving of such notice.

Neither the failure to mail such notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Holder of Preference Shares shall affect the sufficiency of such notice with respect to other Holders. Any notice that is given in the manner herein provided shall conclusively be presumed to have been duly given whether or not actually received by such Holder. Any notice to Holders of the Preference Shares provided for in this Agreement will be deemed to have been given on the date of mailing.

Where this Agreement provides for notice in any manner, such notice may be waived in writing by any Person entitled to receive such notice, either before or after the event, and such waiver shall be the equivalent of such notice.

In the event that, by reason of the suspension of the regular mail service as a result of a strike, work stoppage or similar activity, it shall be impractical to mail notice of any event to Holders of the Preference Shares when such notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this Agreement, then any manner of giving such notice as shall be satisfactory to the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be deemed to be a sufficient giving of such notice.

(b) Notices and other communications hereunder shall (except to the extent otherwise expressly provided) be in writing and shall be addressed as follows, or to such other addresses as the parties hereto shall specify from time to time:

(i) if to the Issuer:

Southfork CLO Ltd.  
P.O. Box 1093 GT  
Queensgate House, South Church Street  
George Town, Grand Cayman  
Cayman Islands  
Fax: (345) 945-7100  
Attention: The Directors

(ii) if to the Preference Shares Paying Agent:

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association  
Institutional Trust Services  
600 Travis Street, 50th Floor  
Houston, Texas 77002  
Fax: (713) 216-2101  
Attention: Southfork CLO Ltd.

Section 17. Covenants of the Issuer. The Issuer shall not take any action under this Agreement or the Indenture that requires the authorization, direction or consent from the Holders of the Preference Shares without obtaining such authorization, direction or consent from the Holders of the Preference Shares. It shall be the responsibility of the Issuer to satisfy the Preference Shares Paying Agent as to the compliance with the foregoing condition (on which the Preference Shares Paying Agent may rely on in good faith).

Section 18. Transfer of Issuer Ordinary Shares. For so long as any of the Preference Shares are outstanding, the Issuer shall not agree to the transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares to U.S. Persons (as defined in the Code), and shall not transfer any such Issuer Ordinary Shares to any Person other than a Person which is a resident of the Cayman Islands.

Section 19. Identification of Holders. On demand of the Issuer, a Holder or beneficial owner of a Preference Share will notify the Issuer whether or not the Holder or beneficial owner of such Preference Share is a United States person within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code and the name and status of such Holder or beneficial owner as an individual, partnership, corporation, or other entity and such other information as the Issuer



shall reasonably request for purposes of tax reporting of the Issuer or other Holders of the Preference Shares.

Section 20. Minimum Lots. Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Share Component) must be held in minimum lots of 100 Preference Shares per investor and integral multiples of 1 Preference Share in excess thereof.

Section 21. Limited Recourse; No Petition. The Preference Shares Paying Agent hereby acknowledges and agrees that the Issuer's obligations hereunder will be solely the corporate obligations of the Issuer, and that the Preference Shares Paying Agent will not have any recourse to any of the directors, officers, employees, shareholders or affiliates of the Issuer with respect to any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations in connection with any transactions contemplated hereby. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, recourse in respect of any obligations of the Issuer hereunder will be limited to the proceeds of the Collateral, paid pursuant to the Priority of Payments and on the exhaustion thereof all obligations of and all claims against the Issuer arising from this Agreement or any transactions contemplated hereby shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, by entering into this Agreement, hereby covenants and agrees that it will not, prior to the date which is one year and one day (or, if longer, the applicable preference period) after the payment in full of all amounts owing under the Indenture and this Agreement, institute against the Issuer, or voluntarily join in any institution against the Issuer of, any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency or liquidation proceedings, or other proceedings under any United States federal or state bankruptcy or similar law of any jurisdiction within or without the United States in connection with any obligations relating to the Preference Shares or this Agreement. The provisions of this Section 21 shall survive termination of this Agreement for any reason whatsoever.

Section 22. (a) GOVERNING LAW. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

(b) WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL. EACH OF THE ISSUER AND THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY AND ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, THE PREFERENCE SHARES OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY.

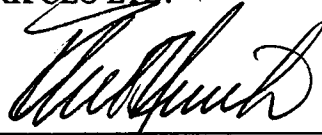
Section 23. Signatures. This Agreement may be signed in two or more counterparts with the same effect as if the signatures thereto and hereto were upon the same instrument. A facsimile signature shall be considered due execution and shall be binding upon the signatory thereto with the same force and effect as if the signature were an original.

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Please indicate your acceptance of this appointment and the terms of this Agreement by signing and returning the enclosed copy of this Agreement. The Issuer by signing this Agreement confirms its agreement to the terms stated herein.


Very truly yours,

SOUTHFORK CLO LTD.

By:   
Name: **Philip Hinds**  
Title: **Director**

Accepted and agreed to on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2005.

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

By:   
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: **RICHARD W. JOHNSON**  
**VICE PRESIDENT**

## **EXHIBIT JJJ**

OFFERING MEMORANDUM

CONFIDENTIAL

# Stratford CLO Ltd.

## Stratford CLO LLC

U.S.\$417,200,000 Class A-1 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2021

U.S.\$104,300,000 Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2021

U.S.\$41,300,000 Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2021

U.S.\$37,100,000 Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2021

U.S.\$16,100,000 Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2021

U.S.\$21,000,000 Class E Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2021

17,500 Class I Preference Shares

45,500 Class II Preference Shares

The Securities will be issued on or about October 25, 2007 (the "**Closing Date**"). The Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares are subject to multiple extensions if the Issuer provides timely notice and the Extension Conditions are satisfied as described herein.

The net proceeds of the offering of the Securities will be applied by the Issuer to repay loans used by the Issuer to finance the purchase of certain Collateral Obligations prior to the Closing Date and to purchase additional Collateral Obligations on and after the Closing Date, all of which will be pledged under the Indenture by the Issuer to the Trustee for the benefit of the secured parties named therein. See "Use of Proceeds." Highland Capital Management, L.P. ("**Highland Capital**" or, in such capacity, the "**Servicer**") will service the Issuer's portfolio.

The final Offering Memorandum will constitute a prospectus (the "**Prospectus**") for the purposes of Directive 2003/71/EC (the "**Prospectus Directive**"). Application has been made to the Irish Financial Services Regulatory Authority, as competent authority under the Prospectus Directive for this Prospectus to be approved. Application has been made to the Irish Stock Exchange for the Notes to be admitted to the Official List and trading on its regulated market.

### **Investing in the Securities involves risks. See "Risk Factors" beginning on Page 31.**

Certain pledged assets of the Issuer are the sole source of payments on the Securities. The Securities do not represent an interest in or obligations of, and are not insured or guaranteed by, the Holders of the Preference Shares, the Servicer, the Trustee, any paying agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Initial Purchasers, any Synthetic Security Counterparty, any Hedge Counterparty or any of their respective Affiliates.

The Securities have not been, and will not be, registered under the Securities Act and neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer will be registered under the Investment Company Act. The Notes will be offered and sold to non-U.S. Persons outside of the United States in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act. The Notes may not be offered or sold within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. Persons except to persons that are (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers and (ii) Qualified Purchasers for purposes of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act. The Preference Shares will be offered and sold only to persons that are (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers and (ii) Qualified Purchasers. The Securities are not transferable except in accordance with the restrictions described under "Transfer Restrictions."

The Notes and the Class I Preference Shares are being offered, subject to prior sale, when, as and if delivered to and accepted by CALYON and Calyon Securities (USA) Inc. (together, the "**Initial Purchasers**") and may be offered in negotiated transactions at varying prices determined at the time of each sale. On or about the Closing Date, all of the Class II Preference Shares will be offered and sold by the Issuer directly to Highland Financial Partners, L.P. ("**HFP**") (an Affiliate of the Servicer) and/or one or more of its subsidiaries.

**CALYON**

October 22, 2007

**Application has been made to list the Notes on the regulated market of the Irish Stock Exchange (the "ISE"). However, there can be no assurance that the ISE will in fact accept the listing of the Notes or, if accepted, that such listing will be maintained. The Co-Issuers will not be required to maintain a listing of the Notes on a stock exchange in the European Union if compliance with requirements of the European Commission on a member state becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer.**

No person has been authorized to make or provide any representation or information regarding the Co-Issuers or the Securities other than as contained in this Offering Memorandum. Any such representation or information should not be relied upon as having been authorized by the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchasers. The delivery of this Offering Memorandum at any time does not imply that the information contained in it is correct as of any time subsequent to the date of this Offering Memorandum. The Co-Issuers disclaim any obligation to update such information and do not intend to do so. Unless otherwise indicated, all information in this Offering Memorandum is given as of the date of this Offering Memorandum.

This Offering Memorandum has been prepared by the Co-Issuers solely for use in connection with the offering of the Securities as described herein. Unless otherwise provided herein, the Co-Issuers accept responsibility for the information contained in this Offering Memorandum. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the Co-Issuers (which have taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case) the information contained in this Offering Memorandum is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

The information appearing in the sections entitled "Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer" and "The Servicer" has been prepared by the Servicer and has not been independently verified by the Initial Purchasers or the Co-Issuers. The Initial Purchasers and the Co-Issuers do not assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness, or applicability of such information, except that the Co-Issuers assume responsibility for accurately reproducing such information in this Offering Memorandum.

None of the Initial Purchasers, the Servicer (except with respect to the sections entitled, "Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer" and "The Servicer") or the Trustee makes any representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the accuracy or completeness of the information in this Offering Memorandum. Each person receiving this Offering Memorandum acknowledges that such person has not relied on the Initial Purchasers, the Servicer (except with respect to the section entitled "Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer" and "The Servicer") or the Trustee or any person affiliated therewith, in connection with its investigation of the accuracy of such information or its investment decision. Each person contemplating making an investment in the Securities must make its own investigation and analysis of the creditworthiness of the Co-Issuers and its own determination of the suitability of any such investment, with particular reference to its own investment objectives and experience, and any other factors that may be relevant to it in connection with such investment.

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION OR OTHER REGULATORY AUTHORITY, AND NONE OF THE FOREGOING AUTHORITIES HAS CONFIRMED THE ACCURACY OR DETERMINED THE ADEQUACY OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

This Offering Memorandum contains summaries of certain documents. The summaries do not purport to be complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to such documents. Each person receiving this Offering Memorandum acknowledges that such person has been afforded an opportunity to request from the Issuer and to review, and has received, all additional information considered by such person to be necessary to verify the accuracy and completeness of the information herein. Requests and inquiries regarding this Offering Memorandum or such documents should be directed to the Issuer, in care of the Initial Purchasers at, 1301 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY, 10019, Attention: Credit Markets & CDOs. Such requests may also be made to the Listing Agent at the address set forth on the final page of this Offering Memorandum.

The Securities are a new issue of securities. There can be no assurance that a secondary market for any of the Securities will develop, or if a secondary market does develop, that it will provide the Holders of such Securities with liquidity of investment or that it will continue. Accordingly, investors should be prepared to bear the risks of holding the Securities until final payment is made thereon.

THE CONTENTS OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM ARE NOT TO BE CONSTRUED AS ACCOUNTING, LEGAL, BUSINESS OR TAX ADVICE. EACH PROSPECTIVE INVESTOR SHOULD CONSULT ITS OWN ACCOUNTANT, ATTORNEY, BUSINESS ADVISOR AND TAX ADVISOR AS TO LEGAL, BUSINESS AND TAX ADVICE. NONE OF THE CO-ISSUERS, THE INITIAL PURCHASERS, THE SERVICER, ANY SYNTHETIC SECURITY COUNTERPARTY, ANY HEDGE COUNTERPARTY OR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES MAKES ANY REPRESENTATION TO ANY OFFEREE OF THE SECURITIES REGARDING THE LEGALITY OF AN INVESTMENT THEREIN BY SUCH OFFEREE UNDER APPLICABLE LEGAL INVESTMENT OR SIMILAR LAWS OR REGULATIONS OR THE PROPER CLASSIFICATION OF SUCH AN INVESTMENT THEREUNDER.

This Offering Memorandum does not constitute an offer of, or an invitation by or on behalf of, the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchasers to subscribe to or purchase any of the Securities in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful to make such an offer or invitation. The distribution of this Offering Memorandum and the offering of the Securities in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law. Persons into whose possession this Offering Memorandum comes are required by the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchasers to inform themselves about and to observe any such restrictions. For a description of certain further restrictions on offers and sales of Securities and distribution of this Offering Memorandum, see "Description of the Securities," "Plan of Distribution" and "Transfer Restrictions."

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has been registered under the United States Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "**Investment Company Act**"), in reliance on an exclusion from the definition of "investment company" under Section 3(c)(7) under the Investment Company Act ("**Section 3(c)(7)**"). Each purchaser of Notes represented by an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will be deemed to represent and agree that (i) the purchaser is acquiring such Notes in a principal amount of not less than U.S.\$250,000, and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof for such purchaser (and each account for which such purchaser is purchasing such Notes) and (ii) the purchaser (and each such account), is a Qualified Purchaser for purposes of Section 3(c)(7) ("**Qualified Purchaser**") or an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers. Each purchaser of Preference Shares will be deemed to represent and agree and be required to represent and agree that (i) the purchaser is acquiring such Preference Shares in a number of not less than 250 Preference Shares and in integral multiples of one Preference Share in excess thereof for such purchaser and (ii) the purchaser is a Qualified Purchaser. See "Transfer Restrictions."

The Issuer and the Co-Issuer may, at any time following the Closing Date, rely on exclusion from the definition of "investment company" under Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act ("**Rule 3a-7**") in

lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7) upon (a) receipt of an opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm providing that neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer is required to register as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act in reliance on such exclusion under Rule 3a-7 and (b) notice to the Holders of the Securities in accordance with the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. In connection with the Issuer's reliance on Rule 3a-7 in lieu of Section 3(c)(7), the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents may be amended without the consent of any Holders and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to prevent the Issuer from becoming an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7). See "Risk Factors—The Servicer May Cause the Issuer to Amend the Indenture to Assure Compliance with Rule 3a-7 Without the Consent of the Holders of the Securities in a Manner That May Adversely Affect the Holders of Securities."

No invitation to subscribe for the Securities may be made to the public in the Cayman Islands.

Prospective purchasers are hereby notified that a seller of the Securities may be relying on an exemption from the registration requirements of Section 5 of the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "**Securities Act**") provided by Section 4(2) of the Securities Act ("**Section 4(2)**").

In this Offering Memorandum references to "Dollars," "\$" and "U.S.\$" are dollars or other equivalent units in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for all debts, public and private.

**NO ACTION WAS TAKEN OR IS BEING CONTEMPLATED BY THE CO-ISSUERS THAT WOULD PERMIT A PUBLIC OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES OR POSSESSION OR DISTRIBUTION OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY AMENDMENT THEREOF, OR SUPPLEMENT THERETO OR ANY OTHER OFFERING MATERIAL RELATING TO THE SECURITIES IN ANY JURISDICTION (OTHER THAN IRELAND) WHERE, OR IN ANY OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH, ACTION FOR THOSE PURPOSES IS REQUIRED. NOTHING CONTAINED HEREIN SHALL CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO SELL OR A SOLICITATION OF AN OFFER TO PURCHASE ANY SECURITIES IN ANY JURISDICTION WHERE IT IS UNLAWFUL TO DO SO ABSENT THE TAKING OF SUCH ACTION OR THE AVAILABILITY OF AN EXEMPTION THEREFROM.**

**THIS DOCUMENT IS CONSIDERED AN ADVERTISEMENT FOR PURPOSES OF APPLICABLE MEASURES IMPLEMENTING E.U. DIRECTIVE 2003/71/EC. A PROSPECTUS PREPARED PURSUANT TO THE PROSPECTUS DIRECTIVE WILL BE PUBLISHED, WHICH CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE ISSUER. SEE "LISTING AND GENERAL INFORMATION."**

#### **NOTICE TO NEW HAMPSHIRE RESIDENTS**

**NEITHER THE FACT THAT A REGISTRATION STATEMENT OR AN APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE HAS BEEN FILED UNDER CHAPTER 421-B OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE REVISED STATUTES (THE "RSA") WITH THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE NOR THE FACT THAT A SECURITY IS EFFECTIVELY REGISTERED OR A PERSON IS LICENSED IN THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CONSTITUTES A FINDING BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE THAT ANY DOCUMENT FILED UNDER RSA 421-B IS TRUE, COMPLETE AND NOT MISLEADING. NEITHER ANY SUCH FACT NOR THE FACT THAT AN EXEMPTION OR EXCEPTION IS AVAILABLE FOR A SECURITY OR A**

**TRANSACTION MEANS THAT THE SECRETARY OF STATE HAS PASSED IN ANY WAY UPON THE MERITS OR QUALIFICATIONS OF, OR RECOMMENDED OR GIVEN APPROVAL TO, ANY PERSON, SECURITY, OR TRANSACTION. IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE, OR CAUSE TO BE MADE, TO ANY PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER, CUSTOMER, OR CLIENT ANY REPRESENTATION INCONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PARAGRAPH.**

**NOTICE TO CONNECTICUT RESIDENTS**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE CONNECTICUT SECURITIES LAW. THE SECURITIES ARE SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFERABILITY AND SALE.

**NOTICE TO FLORIDA RESIDENTS**

THE SECURITIES OFFERED HEREBY WILL BE SOLD TO, AND ACQUIRED BY, THE HOLDER IN A TRANSACTION EXEMPT UNDER SECTION 517.061 OF THE FLORIDA SECURITIES ACT ("FSA"). THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER SAID ACT IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA. IN ADDITION, IF SALES ARE MADE TO FIVE OR MORE PERSONS IN FLORIDA, ALL FLORIDA PURCHASERS OTHER THAN EXEMPT INSTITUTIONS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 517.061(7) OF THE FSA SHALL HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF VOIDING THE PURCHASE WITHIN THREE (3) DAYS AFTER THE FIRST TENDER OF CONSIDERATION IS MADE BY SUCH PURCHASER TO THE CO-ISSUERS, AN AGENT OF THE CO-ISSUERS, OR AN ESCROW AGENT.

**NOTICE TO GEORGIA RESIDENTS**

THE SECURITIES HAVE BEEN ISSUED OR SOLD IN RELIANCE ON PARAGRAPH (13) OF CODE SECTION 10-5-9 OF THE GEORGIA SECURITIES ACT OF 1973, AND MAY NOT BE SOLD OR TRANSFERRED EXCEPT IN A TRANSACTION WHICH IS EXEMPT UNDER SUCH ACT OR PURSUANT TO AN EFFECTIVE REGISTRATION UNDER SUCH ACT.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF AUSTRALIA**

NO PROSPECTUS, DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT, OFFERING MATERIAL OR ADVERTISEMENT IN RELATION TO THE SECURITIES HAS BEEN LODGED WITH THE AUSTRALIAN SECURITIES AND INVESTMENTS COMMISSION OR THE AUSTRALIAN STOCK EXCHANGE LIMITED. ACCORDINGLY, A PERSON MAY NOT (A) MAKE, OFFER OR INVITE APPLICATIONS FOR THE ISSUE, SALE OR PURCHASE OF THE SECURITIES WITHIN, TO OR FROM AUSTRALIA (INCLUDING AN OFFER OR INVITATION WHICH IS RECEIVED BY A PERSON IN AUSTRALIA) OR (B) DISTRIBUTE OR PUBLISH THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY OTHER PROSPECTUS, DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT, OFFERING MATERIAL OR ADVERTISEMENT RELATING TO THE SECURITIES IN AUSTRALIA, UNLESS (I) THE MINIMUM AGGREGATE CONSIDERATION PAYABLE BY EACH OFFEREE IS THE U.S. DOLLAR EQUIVALENT OF AT LEAST A\$500,000 (DISREGARDING MONEYS LENT BY THE OFFEROR OR ITS ASSOCIATES) OR THE OFFER OTHERWISE DOES NOT REQUIRE DISCLOSURE TO INVESTORS IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 6D.2 OF THE CORPORATIONS ACT 2001 (CWLTH) OF AUSTRALIA; AND (II) SUCH ACTION COMPLIES WITH ALL APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF AUSTRIA**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS NOT A PROSPECTUS UNDER THE AUSTRIAN CAPITAL MARKETS ACT OR THE AUSTRIAN INVESTMENT FUNDS ACT. THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAS NOT BEEN EXAMINED BY A PROSPECTUS AUDITOR AND NO PROSPECTUS ON THE PRIVATE PLACEMENT OF THE SECURITIES HAS BEEN PUBLISHED OR WILL BE PUBLISHED IN AUSTRIA. THE SECURITIES ARE OFFERED IN AUSTRIA ONLY TO A RESTRICTED AND SELECTED NUMBER OF PROFESSIONAL AND SOPHISTICATED INDIVIDUAL INVESTORS, AND NO PUBLIC OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES IN AUSTRIA IS BEING MADE OR IS INTENDED TO BE MADE. THE SECURITIES CAN ONLY BE ACQUIRED FOR A COMMITMENT EXCEEDING €50,000 OR ITS EQUIVALENT VALUE IN ANY FOREIGN CURRENCY.



**NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC OF CAYMAN ISLANDS**

NO INVITATION MAY BE MADE TO THE PUBLIC IN THE CAYMAN ISLANDS TO SUBSCRIBE FOR SECURITIES OF THE ISSUER, AND THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM MAY NOT BE ISSUED OR PASSED TO ANY SUCH PERSON.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AREA**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAS BEEN PREPARED ON THE BASIS THAT ALL OFFERS OF THE SECURITIES WILL BE MADE PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION UNDER THE PROSPECTUS DIRECTIVE, AS IMPLEMENTED IN MEMBER STATES OF THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AREA (THE "EEA"), FROM THE REQUIREMENT TO PRODUCE A PROSPECTUS FOR OFFERS OF THE SECURITIES. ACCORDINGLY ANY PERSON MAKING OR INTENDING TO MAKE ANY OFFER WITHIN THE EEA OF THE SECURITIES SHOULD ONLY DO SO IN CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH NO OBLIGATION ARISES FOR THE CO-ISSUERS OR THE INITIAL PURCHASERS TO PRODUCE A PROSPECTUS FOR SUCH OFFER. NONE OF THE CO-ISSUERS OR THE INITIAL PURCHASERS HAS AUTHORISED, NOR DO THEY AUTHORISE, THE MAKING OF ANY OFFER OF THE SECURITIES THROUGH ANY FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARY, OTHER THAN OFFERS MADE BY THE INITIAL PURCHASERS WHICH CONSTITUTE THE FINAL PLACEMENT OF THE SECURITIES CONTEMPLATED IN THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF FINLAND**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAS BEEN PREPARED FOR PRIVATE INFORMATION PURPOSES OF INTERESTED INVESTORS ONLY. IT MAY NOT BE USED FOR AND SHALL NOT BE DEEMED A PUBLIC OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES. THE FINNISH FINANCIAL SUPERVISION AUTHORITY (RAHOITUSTARKASTUS) HAS NOT APPROVED THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM AND HAS NOT AUTHORIZED ANY OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES; ACCORDINGLY, THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD IN FINLAND OR TO RESIDENTS THEREOF EXCEPT AS PERMITTED BY FINNISH LAW. THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS STRICTLY FOR PRIVATE USE BY ITS HOLDER AND MAY NOT BE PASSED ON TO THIRD PARTIES.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF FRANCE**

*CETTE NOTE D'INFORMATION N'A PAS ÉTÉ SOUMISE AU VISA DE LA COMMISSION DES OPÉRATIONS DE BOURSE. PAR CONSÉQUENT NI CETTE NOTE D'INFORMATION, NI TOUT AUTRE DOCUMENT PROMOTIONNEL SE RAPPORTANT AUX INTÉRÊTS NE POURRONT ÊTRE COMMUNIQUÉS AU PUBLIC OU UTILISÉS DANS LE CADRE OFFRE DE SOUSCRIPTION OU DE VENTE DES INTÉRÊTS EN FRANCE ET LES INTÉRÊTS NE PEUVENT ÊTRE ÉMIS, OFFERTS OU CÉDÉS DE TOUTE FAÇON EN FRANCE.*

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAS NOT BEEN SUBMITTED TO *LA COMMISSION DES OPÉRATIONS DE BOURSE* IN FRANCE. ACCORDINGLY, NEITHER THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM NOR ANY OTHER OFFERING MATERIAL RELATING TO THE SECURITIES MAY BE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC OR USED IN CONNECTION WITH ANY OTHER OFFER FOR SUBSCRIPTION OR SALE OF THE SECURITIES IN FRANCE, AND THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE ISSUED, OFFERED OR OTHERWISE SOLD IN FRANCE.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF GERMANY**

THE SECURITIES MAY ONLY BE ACQUIRED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GERMAN WERTPAPIERPROSPEKTGESETZ (SECURITIES PROSPECTUS ACT) AND THE INVESTMENTGESETZ (INVESTMENT ACT). THE SECURITIES ARE NOT REGISTERED OR AUTHORIZED FOR DISTRIBUTION UNDER THE INVESTMENT ACT AND MAY NOT BE, AND ARE NOT BEING OFFERED OR ADVERTISED PUBLICLY OR OFFERED SIMILARLY UNDER THE INVESTMENT ACT OR THE SECURITIES PROSPECTUS ACT. THEREFORE, THIS OFFER IS ONLY BEING MADE TO RECIPIENTS TO WHOM THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS PERSONALLY ADDRESSED AND DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER OR ADVERTISEMENT TO THE PUBLIC. THE SECURITIES CAN ONLY BE ACQUIRED FOR A MINIMUM PURCHASE PRICE OF AT LEAST €50,000 (EXCLUDING COMMISSIONS AND OTHER FEES) PER PERSON. ALL PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS ARE URGED TO SEEK INDEPENDENT TAX ADVICE. NONE OF THE CO-ISSUERS, THE TRUSTEE, THE SERVICER, THE INITIAL PURCHASERS OR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES GIVES ANY TAX ADVICE.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE HONG KONG SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE REGION**

THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD IN HONG KONG, BY MEANS OF ANY DOCUMENT OTHER THAN TO PERSONS WHOSE ORDINARY BUSINESS IT IS TO BUY OR SELL SHARES OR DEBENTURES (WHETHER AS PRINCIPAL OR AGENT) OR IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH DO NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO THE PUBLIC WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE (CAP 32). UNLESS PERMITTED TO DO SO UNDER THE SECURITIES LAWS OF HONG KONG, YOU MAY NOT ISSUE OR HAVE IN YOUR POSSESSION FOR THE PURPOSES OF ISSUE, AND WILL NOT ISSUE, OR HAVE IN YOUR POSSESSION FOR THE PURPOSES OF ISSUE, ANY ADVERTISEMENT, INVITATION OR DOCUMENT RELATING TO THE SECURITIES OTHER THAN WITH RESPECT TO SECURITIES INTENDED TO BE DISPOSED OF TO PERSONS OUTSIDE OF HONG KONG OR TO BE DISPOSED OF IN HONG KONG ONLY TO PERSONS WHOSE BUSINESS INVOLVES THE ACQUISITION, DISPOSAL OR HOLDING OF SECURITIES, WHETHER AS PRINCIPAL OR AGENT OR IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH DO NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO THE PUBLIC.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF ISRAEL**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO ISRAELI RESIDENTS ONLY IN A MANNER THAT WILL NOT CONSTITUTE AN "OFFER TO THE PUBLIC" IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTIONS 15 AND 15A OF THE SECURITIES LAW 1968. SPECIFICALLY, THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM MAY ONLY BE DISTRIBUTED TO INVESTORS OF THE TYPES LISTED IN THE FIRST ADDENDUM OF THE SECURITIES LAW 1968 AND IN ADDITION TO NOT MORE THAN 35 OTHER INVESTORS RESIDENT IN ISRAEL DURING ANY GIVEN 12 MONTH PERIOD.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF ITALY**

THE OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES HAS NOT BEEN CLEARED BY THE COMMISSIONE NAZIONALE PER LA SOCIETÀ E LA BORSA ("CONSOB") (THE ITALIAN SECURITIES EXCHANGE COMMISSION), PURSUANT TO ITALIAN SECURITIES LEGISLATION AND, ACCORDINGLY, IN THE REPUBLIC OF ITALY THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD OR DELIVERED, NOR MAY COPIES OF THE OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR OF ANY OTHER DOCUMENT RELATING TO THE SECURITIES BE DISTRIBUTED IN THE REPUBLIC OF ITALY, EXCEPT:

(A) TO PROFESSIONAL INVESTORS ("OPERATORI QUALIFICATI"), AS DEFINED IN ARTICLE 31, SECOND PARAGRAPH, OF CONSOB REGULATION NO. 11522 OF 1ST JULY, 1998 ("REGULATION 11522"), AS AMENDED; OR

(B) IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH ARE EXEMPTED FROM THE RULES ON SOLICITATION OF INVESTMENTS PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 100 OF LEGISLATIVE DECREE NO. 58 OF 24TH FEBRUARY, 1998 (THE "FINANCIAL SERVICES ACT") AND ARTICLE 33, FIRST PARAGRAPH, OF CONSOB REGULATION NO. 11971 OF 14TH MAY, 1999, AS AMENDED.

EACH OF THE CO-ISSUERS AND EACH INITIAL PURCHASER HAS REPRESENTED AND AGREED THAT IT WILL NOT OFFER, SELL OR DELIVER THE NOTES OR DISTRIBUTE COPIES OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY OTHER DOCUMENT RELATING TO THE SECURITIES IN THE REPUBLIC OF ITALY UNLESS SUCH OFFER, SALE OR DELIVERY OF SECURITIES OR DISTRIBUTION OF COPIES OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY OTHER DOCUMENT RELATING TO THE SECURITIES IN THE REPUBLIC OF ITALY IS:

(I) MADE BY AN INVESTMENT FIRM, BANK OR FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARY PERMITTED TO CONDUCT SUCH ACTIVITIES IN THE REPUBLIC OF ITALY IN ACCORDANCE WITH LEGISLATIVE DECREE NO. 385 OF 1 SEPTEMBER, 1993 (THE "BANKING ACT"), THE FINANCIAL SERVICES ACT, REGULATION 11522 AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS; AND

(II) IN COMPLIANCE WITH ANY AND ALL OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF JAPAN**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE LAW OF JAPAN (THE "SEL"), AND THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD,

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THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAS BEEN PREPARED FOR PRIVATE INFORMATION PURPOSES OF INTERESTED INVESTORS ONLY. IT MAY NOT BE USED FOR AND SHALL NOT BE DEEMED A PUBLIC OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES. NO APPLICATION HAS BEEN MADE UNDER SWISS LAW TO PUBLICLY MARKET THE SECURITIES IN OR OUT OF SWITZERLAND. THEREFORE, NO PUBLIC OFFER OF THE SECURITIES OR PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM MAY BE MADE IN OR OUT OF SWITZERLAND. THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS STRICTLY FOR PRIVATE USE BY ITS HOLDER AND MAY NOT BE PASSED ON TO THIRD PARTIES.

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THE OFFERED SHARES HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED BY THE UAE CENTRAL BANK OR ANY OTHER RELEVANT LICENSING AUTHORITIES IN THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, AND DO NOT CONSTITUTE A PUBLIC OFFER OF SECURITIES IN THE UAE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE COMMERCIAL COMPANIES LAW, FEDERAL LAW NO. 8 OF 1984 (AS AMENDED) OR OTHERWISE. THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS STRICTLY PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL AND IS BEING DISTRIBUTED TO A LIMITED NUMBER OF INVESTORS AND MUST NOT BE PROVIDED TO ANY PERSON OTHER THAN THE ORIGINAL RECIPIENT, AND MAY NOT BE REPRODUCED OR USED FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSE. THE OFFERED SHARES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY TO THE PUBLIC IN THE UAE.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM**

THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD AND, PRIOR TO THE EXPIRY OF THE PERIOD OF SIX MONTHS FROM THE CLOSING DATE, WILL NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD TO PERSONS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM EXCEPT TO PERSONS WHOSE ORDINARY ACTIVITIES INVOLVE THEM IN ACQUIRING, HOLDING, MANAGING OR DISPOSING OF INVESTMENTS (AS PRINCIPAL OR AGENT) FOR THE PURPOSE OF THEIR BUSINESS OR OTHERWISE IN CIRCUMSTANCES THAT HAVE NOT RESULTED AND WILL NOT RESULT IN AN OFFER TO THE PUBLIC IN THE UNITED KINGDOM WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE PROSPECTUS REGULATIONS 2005. THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM AND ANY OTHER DOCUMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFERING AND ISSUANCE OF THE SECURITIES MAY ONLY BE ISSUED OR PASSED ON TO A PERSON OF A KIND DESCRIBED IN ARTICLE 49(2) OF THE FINANCIAL SERVICES AND MARKETS ACT 2000 (FINANCIAL PROMOTION) ORDER 2005 OR IS A PERSON TO WHOM THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY OTHER SUCH DOCUMENT MAY OTHERWISE LAWFULLY BE ISSUED OR PASSED ON (ALL SUCH PERSONS TOGETHER BEING REFERRED TO AS "**RELEVANT PERSONS**"). ANY INVESTMENT OR INVESTMENT ACTIVITY TO WHICH THIS DOCUMENT RELATES IS AVAILABLE ONLY TO RELEVANT PERSONS AND WILL BE ENGAGED IN ONLY WITH RELEVANT PERSONS.

### **AVAILABLE INFORMATION**

To permit compliance with Rule 144A under the Securities Act ("**Rule 144A**") in connection with the sale of the Securities, the Issuer (and, solely in the case of the Notes, the Co-Issuers) under the Indenture referred to under "Description of the Securities" and the Preference Share Documents will be required to furnish upon request of a Holder of a Security to such Holder and a prospective purchaser designated by such Holder the information required to be delivered under Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act if at the time of the request the Co-Issuers are not reporting companies under Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "**Exchange Act**"), or exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act. Such information may be obtained directly from the Issuer at the address set forth on the final page of this Offering Memorandum.

### **INFORMATION AS TO SALE WITHIN THE UNITED STATES**

This Offering Memorandum is highly confidential and has been prepared by the Co-Issuers solely for use in connection with this offering. This Offering Memorandum is personal to each offeree to whom it has been delivered by the Co-Issuers, the Initial Purchasers or Affiliates thereof and does not constitute an offer to any other person or to the public generally to subscribe for or otherwise acquire the Securities. Distribution of this Offering Memorandum to any persons other than the offeree and those persons, if any, retained to advise such offeree with respect thereto is unauthorized and any disclosure of any of its contents, without the prior written consent of the Issuer, is prohibited. Each prospective purchaser in the United States, by accepting delivery of this Offering Memorandum, agrees to the foregoing and to make no copies of this Offering Memorandum or any documents related hereto and, if the offeree does not purchase Securities or the offering is terminated, to return this Offering Memorandum and all documents attached hereto to the Initial Purchasers at 1301 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY, 10019, Attention: Credit Markets & CDOs.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, each prospective purchaser of the Securities (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) are hereby permitted to disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions described herein. For this purpose, the tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction, and the tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction.

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**SUMMARY OF TERMS**

*The following summary of terms does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by, and should be read in conjunction with, the more detailed information appearing elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum and the documents referred to in this Offering Memorandum. A Glossary and an Index of Defined Terms appear at the back of this Offering Memorandum.*

**Principal Terms of the Securities**

	<b>Class A-1 Notes</b>	<b>Class A-2 Notes</b>	<b>Class B Notes</b>	<b>Class C Notes</b>	<b>Class D Notes</b>	<b>Class E Notes</b>	<b>Class I Preference Shares</b>	<b>Class II Preference Shares</b>
<b>Type</b>	Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Extendable	Extendable
<b>Issuer(s)</b>	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Issuer	Issuer
<b>Principal Amount / Face Amount (U.S.\$)</b>	\$417,200,000	\$104,300,000	\$41,300,000	\$37,100,000	\$16,100,000	\$21,000,000	\$17,500,000 <sup>1</sup>	\$45,500,000 <sup>1</sup>
<b>Expected Moody's Initial Rating</b>	"Aaa"	"Aaa"	"Aa2"	"A2"	"Baa2"	"Baa3"	N/A	N/A
<b>Expected S&amp;P Initial Rating</b>	"AAA"	"AAA"	"AA"	"A"	"BBB"	"BBB-"	N/A	N/A
<b>Note Interest Rate</b>	LIBOR + 0.32%	LIBOR + 0.60%	LIBOR + 1.00%	LIBOR + 2.00%	LIBOR + 3.50%	LIBOR + 4.00%	N/A	N/A
<b>Stated Maturity / Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date<sup>2</sup></b>	November 1, 2021	November 1, 2021	November 1, 2021	November 1, 2021	November 1, 2021	November 1, 2021	November 1, 2021	November 1, 2021
<b>Minimum Denominations (U.S.\$) / Number (Integral Multiples)</b>	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	250 <sup>1</sup>	250 <sup>1</sup>
<b>Priority Class</b>	None	A-1	A-1, A-2	A-1, A-2, B	A-1, A-2, B, C	A-1, A-2, B, C, D	A-1, A-2, B, C, D, E	A-1, A-2, B, C, D, E
<b>Junior Class</b>	A-2, B, C, D, E, Preference Shares	B, C, D, E, Preference Shares	C, D, E, Preference Shares	D, E, Preference Shares	E, Preference Shares	Preference Shares	None	None
<b>Deferred Interest Notes</b>	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A

<sup>1</sup> The Preference Shares will be issued with a Face Amount of U.S.\$1,000 per share.

<sup>2</sup> The Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares are subject to multiple extensions to the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (in the case of the Notes) and the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (in the case of the Preference Shares), if the Issuer provides timely notice and the Extension Conditions are satisfied. See "Risk Factors—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary," "—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected," "Maturity and Prepayment Considerations" and "Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date."



Stratford CLO Ltd. (the "**Issuer**") and Stratford CLO LLC (the "**Co-Issuer**" and, together with the Issuer, the "**Co-Issuers**") will issue the Class A-1 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2021 (the "**Class A-1 Notes**"), the Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2021 (the "**Class A-2 Notes**" and the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes are collectively referred to as the "**Class A Notes**"), the Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2021 (the "**Class B Notes**"), the Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due 2021 (the "**Class C Notes**"), the Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due 2021 (the "**Class D Notes**") and the Class E Floating Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due 2021 (the "**Class E Notes**" and, together with the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes, the "**Notes**"), and the Issuer will issue the Class I Preference Shares (the "**Class I Preference Shares**") and the Class II Preference Shares (the "**Class II Preference Shares**" and, together with the Class I Preference Shares, the "**Preference Shares**" and, together with the Notes, the "**Securities**"), U.S.\$0.01 par value per share.

The Notes will be limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer and non-recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuer. The Notes will be issued pursuant to an indenture, to be dated as of the Closing Date (the "**Indenture**"), among the Co-Issuers and State Street Bank and Trust Company, as Trustee (the "**Trustee**").

The Preference Shares will be part of the issued share capital of the Issuer and, accordingly, will not be secured obligations of the Issuer. State Street Bank and Trust Company will act as the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the Preference Shares and will perform various administrative services pursuant to a Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, to be dated as of the Closing Date (the "**Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement**") by and between the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and Maples Finance Limited, as share registrar (in such capacity, the "**Share Registrar**") as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

The Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares will be identical in respect of rights to distributions except that (i) with respect to any Payment Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, which waived portion will not be payable at a later date, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be distributed by the Issuer to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments, *provided* that with respect to the Payment Date in May 2008 such Class II Preference Share Special Payments will, at a minimum, include amounts that would otherwise constitute a

portion of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Closing Date through February 3, 2008 and (ii) the Class II Preference Shares have total control with respect to the appointment and removal of the directors of the Issuer as long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is higher than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date. See "Description of the Securities—The Issuer Charter—Voting Rights." On the Closing Date, HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries will purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares.

Payments to each Holder of the Notes of each Class will be made ratably among the Holders of the Notes of that Class in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes of such Class held by each Holder. Payments to each Holder of the Preference Shares will be made ratably among the Holders of the Preference Shares in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Preference Shares held by each Holder (*provided* that the Class II Preference Share Special Payments will be paid solely to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class II Preference Shares held by each Holder).

Except as provided under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments," the Class A-1 Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes, the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares; the Class A-2 Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes, the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares; the Class B Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes, the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares; the Class C Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class D Notes, the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares; the Class E Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Preference Shares; and the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares will rank *pari passu* in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date except that any payments to the Holders of Class II Preference Shares of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments will have priority to the extent provided under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments."

The Securities and certain other obligations of the Co-Issuers will have the priorities of payment described under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments."

**Co-Issuers .....** The Issuer has been incorporated and exists as an exempted limited liability company under the laws of the Cayman Islands. The Issuer's activities are limited to acquiring Collateral Obligations (including by entering into LCDS Securities and other Synthetic Securities) and Eligible Investments, entering into any Hedge Agreements, issuing the Securities and entering into certain related transactions. The Issuer has been established as a special purpose vehicle for the purpose of issuing asset-backed securities.

The Co-Issuer is organized as a limited liability company under the laws of the State of Delaware for the sole purpose of co-issuing the Notes. The Co-Issuer has been established as a special purpose vehicle for the purpose of issuing asset-backed securities.

The Issuer will not have any significant assets other than Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, any Hedge Agreements and certain other eligible assets. The Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, the rights of the Issuer under any Hedge Agreements and other collateral will be pledged to the Trustee as security for, among other things, the Issuer's obligations under the Notes.

The Co-Issuer is not expected to have any significant assets and will not pledge any assets to secure the Notes.

**Trustee .....** State Street Bank and Trust Company will act as the Trustee under the Indenture on behalf of the Holders of the Notes.

**Servicer .....** Certain servicing and administrative functions with respect to the Collateral will be performed by Highland Capital Management, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("**Highland Capital**" or, in such capacity, the "**Servicer**"), pursuant to the Servicing Agreement, which may be amended from time to time without the consent of the Holders of the Securities. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Servicing Agreement" and "The Servicing Agreement."

On the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares and all or a portion of the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes and (ii) Highland Capital or one or more of its Affiliates (other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries) are expected to purchase certain of the Class I Preference Shares and all or a portion of the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes. No assurance can be given whether HFP or Highland Capital will retain such Securities for any amount of time. See "Plan of Distribution."

The Share Registrar will record in the register maintained by it which Preference Shares are held by HFP or any of its subsidiaries. Such Preference Shares will be designated by the Share Registrar as Class II Preference Shares. Any transfer of Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to any Person other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries will require redesignation by the Share Registrar of such Class II Preference Shares as Class I Preference Shares. Any transfer of Class I Preference Shares to HFP or any of its subsidiaries will require redesignation by the Share Registrar of such Class I Preference Shares as Class II Preference Shares.

The Servicer or its Affiliates may also acquire Securities upon the occurrence of the Amendment Buy-Out Option or in connection with a Refinancing. In addition, the Servicer or its Affiliates may acquire all or any portion of any Extension Sale Securities in connection with a Maturity Extension. See "The Servicer," "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities," "—Relating to the Servicer" and "—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer," "Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out," "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Redemption by Refinancing," "Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date" and "The Servicing Agreement."

**Closing Date** ..... October 25, 2007.

**Use of Proceeds** ..... The gross proceeds of the offering of the Securities received on the Closing Date are expected to equal approximately \$700,000,000. The gross proceeds will be used by the Issuer to:

- purchase a portfolio of Collateral Obligations;
- fund a securities account for Revolving Loans (the "**Revolving Reserve Account**") and a securities account for Delayed Drawdown Loans (the "**Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account**") to cover any future draws on Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans;
- enter into any Hedge Agreements, as applicable;
- enter into any Synthetic Security Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the related accounts);
- repurchase participations made by the Pre-Closing Participant to finance the Issuer's pre-closing acquisition of Collateral Obligations;
- fund the Closing Date Expense Account;

- pay certain organizational and structuring fees expenses related to the transaction; and
- undertake certain related activities.

See "Use of Proceeds."

**Payment Dates.....** Payment of interest on, and principal of, the Notes and distributions on the Preference Shares will be made by the Issuer in U.S. Dollars on the first day of each February, May, August and November of each year (or if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day), commencing in May, 2008, to the extent of available cash flow in respect of the Collateral in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

**Hedge Agreements.....** At any time and from time to time on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, will enter into the Hedge Agreements and will assign its rights (but none of its obligations) under the Hedge Agreements to the Trustee. See "Hedge Agreements."

**Interest Payments and  
Distributions from Interest  
Proceeds.....**

The Notes will accrue interest from the Closing Date. Interest on the Notes will be payable, to the extent of funds available therefor, on each Payment Date.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of interest due on such Class of Deferred Interest Notes that is not available to be paid ("**Deferred Interest**") in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date will not be considered "payable" for the purposes of the Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest will not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes will be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes will accrue at the Note Interest Rate for such Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, will thereafter be additional Deferred Interest), until paid. See "Description of the Securities—Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Preference Shares from Interest Proceeds," "—Priority of Payments" and "—The Indenture—Events of Default."

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Interest Proceeds as described under clauses (23) and (25) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds;" *provided* that, in lieu of payment of such Interest Proceeds, in whole or in part, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, will have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute on any Payment Date Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be distributed on the relevant Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be increased accordingly. See "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" and "—Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement—Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities."

In addition, with respect to any Payment Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be distributed by the Issuer to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments, *provided* that with respect to the Payment Date in May 2008 such Class II Preference Share Special Payments will, at a minimum, include amounts that would otherwise constitute a portion of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Closing Date through February 3, 2008. Any Class II Preference Share Special Payment will be paid by the Issuer in accordance with the Priority of Payments described under clauses (3), (21) and (24) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds."

**Principal Payments and  
Distributions from Principal  
Proceeds.....**

The Notes will mature at par on the Payment Date in November 2021 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (the "**Stated Maturity**") and the

Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed at the Redemption Price thereof by the Issuer on the Payment Date in November 2021 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (the "**Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**"), in each case unless redeemed or (in the case of the Notes) repaid in full prior thereto. The average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years from issuance until Stated Maturity for such Notes. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary," "—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected" and "Maturity and Prepayment Considerations."

In general, principal payments will not be made on the Notes before the end of the Replacement Period, except in the following circumstances:

- in connection with the payment of Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes;
- in connection with an Optional Redemption;
- at the option of the Servicer, to effect a Special Redemption of the Notes;
- in connection with a Refinancing;
- pursuant to a redemption made in connection with a Tax Event; or
- following a mandatory redemption of the Notes caused by a failure to meet any of the Coverage Tests or a Rating Confirmation Failure.

See "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments," "—Optional Redemption," "—Special Redemption of the Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture," "Optional Redemption—Redemption by Refinancing," "—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes" and "Security for the Notes—Ramp-Up."

No payments of principal will be made on the Class A-2 Notes until the principal of the Class A-1 Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class B Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class C Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class D Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes, the Class



B Notes and the Class C Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class E Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes has been paid in full (other than with respect to the use of Interest Proceeds to pay principal of the Class E Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class E Coverage Test). However, Principal Proceeds may be used to pay Deferred Interest and other amounts before the payment of principal of the Notes.

No principal of any Class of Notes will be payable on any Payment Date other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and to the extent funds are available therefor on that Payment Date for that purpose, except that the principal of each Class of Notes will be payable in full at the Stated Maturity, unless repaid before that.

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares (including, with respect to the Class II Preference Shares, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Principal Proceeds as described under clauses (11)(A), (14) and (15) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds."

For a description of the relative priority of payments and level of subordination of the Securities and certain fees, expenses and other liabilities of the Co-Issuers, see "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments."

**Extension of the Replacement  
Period, the Stated Maturity and  
the Scheduled Preference Shares  
Redemption Date .....**

The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, will be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Replacement Period to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date up to a maximum of four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. For purposes of the foregoing, "**Extension Effective Date**" means if an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extension Effective Date (or, in the case of the first Extension Effective Date, the Payment Date in November 2012) and "**Extended Replacement Period End Date**" means, if an Extension has



occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Replacement Period End Date (or, in the case of the first Extension, the Payment Date in November 2018); *provided* that the "Extended Replacement Period End Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November 2030.

If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes will be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date will automatically be extended to the Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date and the Weighted Average Life Test will be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Securities or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents (the "**Maturity Extension**"); *provided* that the Issuer will not be permitted to effect more than four Maturity Extensions. For purposes of the foregoing, "**Extended Stated Maturity Date**" means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Stated Maturity Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Payment Date in November 2025), "**Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**" means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Payment Date in November 2025) and "**Extended Weighted Average Life Date**" means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Weighted Average Life Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Weighted Average Life Date, the Payment Date in November 2021); *provided* that the "Extended Stated Maturity Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November 2037, the "Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November 2037 and the "Extended Weighted Average Life Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November 2033.

As a condition to a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes or Preference Shares will have the right to offer to sell their Notes or Preference Shares to one or more Extension Qualifying Purchasers for purchase on the applicable Extension Effective Date.

If all Extension Conditions are satisfied and a Maturity Extension is effected, each Noteholder, other than Holders of Extension Sale Securities, will be entitled to receive the applicable Extension Bonus Payment, to the extent of available funds and as provided in the Priority of Payments. Holders of Preference Shares will not be entitled to receive any Extension

Bonus Payment.

See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary," "—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected," "Maturity and Prepayment Considerations," and "Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date."

**Security for the Notes .....** The Notes will be secured by a portfolio having an Aggregate Principal Balance following the Ramp-Up Period of approximately U.S.\$687,400,000 (in principal amount) and consisting primarily of Collateral Obligations and certain Eligible Investments, in each case having the characteristics set forth herein. The Notes will also be secured by any cash on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, the Issuer's rights under any Hedge Agreements, any Securities Lending Agreements, the Servicing Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement. See "Security for the Notes."

The Preference Shares are unsecured equity interests in the Issuer.

**Collateral Ramp-Up Period .....** The Issuer expects that, as of the Closing Date, it will have purchased (or entered into commitments to purchase) Collateral Obligations to be included in the anticipated portfolio such that the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator will be at least U.S.\$687,400,000 as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date. The "**Ramp-Up Completion Date**" is the earlier of (i) the Business Day after the 90th day after the Closing Date, and (ii) the first day on which the following conditions are satisfied: (x) either (A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least U.S.\$687,400,000 or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer with proceeds from the sale of the Securities (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be) equals at least U.S.\$687,400,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date) and (y) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least U.S.\$687,400,000.

In anticipation of the issuance of the Securities, one of the Initial Purchasers (the "**Pre-Closing Participant**") is financing the acquisition of Collateral Obligations by the Issuer during the Accumulation Period. On the Closing Date, the participations

acquired by the Pre-Closing Participant will be repurchased by the Issuer with proceeds of the offering to the extent not terminated prior thereto. In exchange for bearing the risk of loss on the Collateral Obligations acquired prior to the Closing Date, the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates will be entitled to a share of the interest and any fees and commissions (net of any other amounts payable to the Pre-Closing Participant in connection with its financing of the acquisition of Collateral Obligations) paid by the obligors of such Collateral Obligations or accrued from the time of purchase to the Closing Date, *plus* a share of the amount by which any realized net gains exceed any realized net losses on Collateral Obligations sold or fully repaid during the Accumulation Period, in each case, in proportion to the percentage of Preference Shares each such party purchases on the Closing Date. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Collateral Obligations—A Substantial Amount of Collateral Obligations Was Acquired Before the Closing Date, and the Terms of the Acquisition May Adversely Affect the Issuer."

See "Security for the Notes—Ramp-Up."

**Replacement Period; Acquisition  
of Replacement Collateral**

**Obligations .....** During the Replacement Period, the Issuer may generally (and subject to certain requirements) use Principal Proceeds received with respect to the Collateral to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria (which Eligibility Criteria include requirements that an item of Collateral purchased by the Issuer meet the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and that the portfolio of Collateral Obligations be in compliance with the Concentration Limitations to the extent provided in the Eligibility Criteria). See "—Collateral Obligations," "—Concentration Limitations" and "Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria."

The "**Replacement Period**" will be the period from the Closing Date through and including the first to occur of:

- (i) the Payment Date after the date that the Servicer notifies the Trustee, each Rating Agency and the Administrator, in the sole discretion of the Servicer, that, in light of the composition of the Collateral, general market conditions, and other factors, the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations within the foreseeable future would be impractical;
- (ii) the Payment Date in November 2014 or, in the case of an Extension, the Extended Replacement Period End Date;

- (iii) the Payment Date on which all Notes are to be optionally redeemed or an earlier date after notice of an Optional Redemption chosen by the Servicer to facilitate the liquidation of the Collateral for the Optional Redemption; and
- (iv) the date on which the Replacement Period terminates or is terminated as a result of an Event of Default (subject to the terms of the Indenture).

No acquisition of Collateral Obligations will be made after the termination of the Replacement Period, except that (x) Unscheduled Principal Payments and (y) Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations may be used to purchase Collateral Obligations after the Replacement Period subject to the limitations described under "Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria" and "—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations." After the termination of the Replacement Period, all Principal Proceeds (other than Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations) must be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, no acquisition or disposition of a Collateral Obligation or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) will be effected by or on behalf of the Issuer for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes.

**Collateral Obligations** ..... Any obligation or security (a "**Collateral Obligation**") that, when the Issuer commits to purchase (or otherwise acquire) the obligation or security, is a Loan, High-Yield Bond, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that is, in either case, a Loan, a Structured Finance Obligation or High-Yield Bond that is (or in the case of a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation is):

- (i) denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars and is not convertible by its obligor into any other currency;
- (ii) an obligation of an obligor Domiciled in an Eligible Country;
- (iii) an obligation that is eligible by its terms to be assigned to the Issuer and pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral;
- (iv) not an exchangeable or convertible security;
- (v) not an equity security or a warrant or a component of

an equity security or a security that has a component that is an equity security (other than for avoidance of doubt, a pass-through trust certificate in a trust holding Collateral Obligations that is rated by a nationally recognized credit rating agency);

- (vi) not an obligation or security that has been called for redemption and is not an obligation or security that is the subject of an Offer other than a Permitted Offer or an exchange offer in which a security that is not registered under the Securities Act is exchanged for (a) a security that has substantially identical terms (except for transfer restrictions) but is registered under the Securities Act or (b) a security that would otherwise qualify for purchase under the Eligibility Criteria;
- (vii) an obligation that (a) has a Moody's Rating (including any estimated or confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored) and (b) has an S&P Rating (including any confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored), which S&P Rating does not have a "p", "pi", "q", "r" or "t" subscript unless S&P otherwise authorizes in writing;
- (viii) an obligation that is not a lease, unless it is a Finance Lease and the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;
- (ix) (a) an obligation that is not a Current-Pay Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation and (b) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that has a Moody's Rating of "Caa1" or lower or an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower, an obligation for which the Servicer has certified in writing that such Collateral Obligation is not a Credit Risk Obligation;
- (x) an obligation that (unless it is a High-Yield Bond) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness for borrowed money of the applicable issuer; provided that for the avoidance of doubt, this clause will not prohibit the inclusion as Collateral Obligations of Subordinated Lien Loans or Second Lien Loans;

- (xi) an obligation that (a) (unless it is a PIK Security) bears simple interest payable in cash no less frequently than annually at a fixed or floating rate that is paid on a periodic basis on an unleveraged basis and, in the case of a floating rate, computed on a benchmark interest rate plus or minus a spread, if any (which may vary under the terms of the obligation) and (b) provides for a fixed amount of principal payable in cash according to a fixed schedule (which may include optional call dates) or at maturity (or a fixed notional amount in the case of Synthetic Securities);
- (xii) an obligation the payment or repayment of the principal, if any, of which is not an amount determined by reference to any formula or index or subject to any contingency under the terms thereof;
- (xiii) an obligation the portion of which to be acquired (or, in the case of a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation) does not represent, directly or indirectly, more than a 25% interest in the obligation;
- (xiv) not an obligation with a maturity later than two years after the Stated Maturity of the Notes;
- (xv) an obligation or security all payments on and proceeds of will be received by the Issuer free and clear of withholding tax, other than (A) withholding tax as to which the obligor or issuer must make additional payments so that the net amount received by the Issuer after satisfaction of such tax is the amount due to the Issuer before the imposition of any withholding tax, (B) withholding taxes on commitment or facility fees associated with Collateral Obligations constituting Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans or (C) withholding taxes on fees received on Synthetic Letters of Credit;
- (xvi) not an Unfunded Synthetic Security or a Loan that would require the Issuer after its purchase of the Loan to advance any funds to the related borrower or permit the borrower to require that any future advances be made unless:
  - (A) it is a Revolving Loan, Delayed Drawdown Loan or Synthetic Security; and
  - (B) after giving effect to the acquisition thereof, (1) the sum of all amounts standing to the credit of the Synthetic Security Reserve Account, the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed

Drawdown Reserve Account and any cash collateral posted with (or for the benefit of) any Synthetic Security Counterparty equals or exceeds (2) the maximum amount of any advances that may be required of the Issuer under the Underlying Instruments in respect of all Collateral Obligations that are Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans and any amounts that could become payable by the Issuer in respect of all Collateral Obligations that are Unfunded Synthetic Securities;

- (xvii) if such obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation, such obligation:
  - (A) has been assigned a rating by both Moody's and S&P;
  - (B) has a Moody's Rating of "Ba3" or higher and an S&P Rating of "BB-" or higher; and
  - (C) has not been placed on the watch list for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P;
- (xviii) not a Loan that is an obligation of a debtor in possession or a trustee for a debtor in an insolvency proceeding other than a DIP Loan;
- (xix) with respect to an obligation that provides for the payment of interest at a floating rate, an obligation for which such floating rate is determined by reference to the U.S. Dollar prime rate or other base rate, London interbank offered rate or similar interbank offered rate, commercial deposit rate or any other index that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto;
- (xx) in the case of a Synthetic Security, the Synthetic Security is one for which the counterparty or issuer, as the case may be, has a short-term debt rating by Moody's of at least "P-1" or long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" and, if rated "A3" by Moody's, such rating is not on watch for downgrade, and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "AA-" or a short-term debt rating by S&P of at least "A-1+";
- (xxi) not an obligation that constitutes Margin Stock;
- (xxii) not a Zero-Coupon Security;



- (xxiii) not an obligation that is currently deferring interest or paying interest "in kind" or otherwise has an interest "in kind" balance outstanding at the time of purchase, which interest is otherwise payable in cash;
- (xxiv) not a security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer;
- (xxv) not an obligation the interest payments of which are scheduled to decrease (although interest payments may decrease due to unscheduled events such as a decrease of the index relating to a Floating Rate Obligation, the change from a default rate of interest to a non-default rate of interest or an improvement in the obligor's financial condition);
- (xxvi) not an obligation that will cause the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the pool of assets to be required to be registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act;
- (xxvii) in the case of a Loan that involves Synthetic Letters of Credit, (a) the Issuer prefunds its obligations with respect to such Synthetic Letter of Credit by delivering cash to the relevant issuing bank, agent bank or deposit bank and has no further obligation to make payments with respect to such Synthetic Letter of Credit, (b) the Issuer is not subject to market value risk with respect to any prefunded amounts and (c) the issuing bank, agent bank or deposit bank in respect of such Synthetic Letters of Credit has a short-term rating of at least "A-1" by S&P (or, if such issuing bank has no short-term rating from S&P, a long-term rating of at least "A+" by S&P);
- (xxviii) an obligation that is Registered;
- (xxix) an obligation the acquisition (including the manner of acquisition), ownership, enforcement and disposition of which will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for U.S. federal income tax purposes or otherwise to be subject to tax on a net income basis in any jurisdiction outside the Issuer's jurisdiction of incorporation;
- (xxx) in the case of an obligation that is a synthetic or pre-funded letter of credit or includes or supports a letter of credit (a "**Synthetic Letter of Credit**"), the acquisition of such Synthetic Letter of Credit does not cause the Issuer to have entered into more than ten currently



outstanding Synthetic Letters of Credit; and

- (xxxi) in the case of an obligation that is a Synthetic Letter of Credit, (a) such obligation is acquired in connection with the acquisition of another obligation issued under the same credit facility that is not a Synthetic Letter of Credit (a "**Related Obligation**"), (b) the amount of the Synthetic Letter of Credit acquired by the Issuer is not more than one-half of the amount of the Related Obligation acquired by the Issuer and (c) the proportionate amount of the Synthetic Letter of Credit acquired by the Issuer is not greater than the proportionate amount of such Related Obligation acquired under the relevant credit facility.

In the case of a Synthetic Security, in addition to the related Reference Obligation meeting the requirements above, the Synthetic Security itself must also meet the requirements of paragraphs (xv), (xxviii) and (xxix); *provided* that a Synthetic Security shall be deemed to meet the requirements of paragraph (xxviii) if the terms of such Synthetic Security require prior written consent of the Issuer or counterparty, as relevant, prior to a transfer.

Pursuant to the definition of "Synthetic Security," unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event."

See "Security for the Notes—Collateral Obligations" and "—Eligibility Criteria."

**Concentration Limitations.....** Upon a purchase of a Collateral Obligation, the Eligibility Criteria require that each of the limits set forth below with respect to a particular type of Relevant Obligation (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) as a percentage of the Maximum Amount (the "**Concentration Limitations**") is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced:

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(1) Senior Secured Loans and Eligible Investments	$\geq 87.5\%$
(2) unsecured Loans	$\leq 3.0\%$
(3) Subordinated Lien Loans and Second Lien Loans	$\leq 10.0\%$
(4) Revolving Loans and the unfunded portion of Delayed Drawdown Loan	$\leq 12.0\%$
(5) DIP Loans	$\leq 5.0\%$
(a) except that with a Rating Confirmation, DIP Loans may constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 7.5\%$
(b) S&P Unrated DIP Loans	$\leq 2.5\%$
(6) PIK Securities	$\leq 3.0\%$
(7) High-Yield Bonds	$\leq 7.5\%$
(8) Structured Finance Obligations	$\leq 10.0\%$
(a) except that Structured Finance Obligations serviced by the Servicer may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 2.5\%$
(b) except that a single issuer together with any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) of a Structured Finance Obligation may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 3.0\%$
(c) except that Structured Finance Obligations that are (i) collateralized loan obligations primarily backed by other collateralized loan obligations and (ii) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by one or more credit default swaps (i.e. "Synthetics CDOs") may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column.	$\leq 3.0\%$
(9) Structured Finance Obligations that are collateralized loan obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(10) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States and Canada	$\leq 20.0\%$
(a) <i>provided</i> that obligors Domiciled other than in the United States may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 25.0\%$
(11) obligors Domiciled in Canada or any single Moody's Group I Country	$\leq 10.0\%$
(12) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group II Country	$\leq 5.0\%$
(13) obligors Domiciled in all Moody's Group II Countries in the aggregate	$\leq 10.0\%$
(14) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group III Country	$\leq 2.5\%$
(15) obligors Domiciled in all Moody's Group III Countries in the aggregate	$\leq 5.0\%$
(16) obligors organized in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction	$\leq 10.0\%$

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(a) except that obligors deriving a substantial portion of revenue from countries other than the United States or Canada may constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$
(17) same S&P Industry Classification	$\leq 8.0\%$
(a) except that Relevant Obligations belonging to two S&P Industry Classifications may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 12.0\%$
(18) single obligor and any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties)	$\leq 1.5\%$
(a) except that up to each of five individual obligors and any of their Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties and any obligor under a DIP Loan) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 2.5\%$
(19) Fixed Rate Obligations	$\leq 5.0\%$
(a) except that with a Rating Confirmation from Moody's, Fixed Rate Obligations may constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column.	$\leq 7.5\%$
(20) Pay interest less frequently than quarterly but no less frequently than semi-annually	$\leq 7.0\%$
(21) Pay interest less frequently than semi-annually but no less frequently than annually	$\leq 3.0\%$
(22) LCDS Securities or other Synthetic Securities	$\leq 15.0\%$
(a) except that Synthetic Securities that provide for settlement other than by physical delivery may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$
(b) except that Synthetic Securities that reference a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$
(23) Participations ( <i>provided</i> that no Relevant Obligations may be a Participation in a Participation)	$\leq 20.0\%$
(24) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements and (ii) Participations, in the aggregate may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 20.0\%$

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(25) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements and (ii) Participations, entered into with, or issued by, a single Secondary Risk Counterparty	≤ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Individual Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating*
(26) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements and (ii) Participations, entered into with, or issued by, all Secondary Risk Counterparties	≤ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Aggregate Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating**
(27) Deep Discount Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(28) CCC+/Caa1 and below Collateral Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(29) Long-Dated Collateral Obligations	≤ 2.0%
(30) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements	≤ 15.0%
(31) Collateral Obligations providing for interest at a non-London interbank offered rate (excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, the Unfunded Amount of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan)	≤ 5.0%
(32) Collateral Obligations that are Loans that are part of a credit facility with a total global aggregate commitment amount of less than \$100,000,000	≤ 10.0%
(33) if such Relevant Obligations are Bridge Loans, (A) such obligations are rated by Moody's and S&P and (B) such Relevant Obligations may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 5.0%
(34) Relevant Obligations of which are Synthetic Letters of Credit	≤ 5.0%
<p>* Applicable long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&amp;P of such Secondary Risk Counterparty (using the limit for the lower of such ratings if different).</p> <p>** Long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&amp;P at or below a level specified in the Secondary Risk Table (using the lower of such ratings for a Secondary Risk Counterparty, if different).</p> <p>Subject to the rights in certain circumstances of the Servicer to determine otherwise as set out in the Indenture, solely for the purpose of determining whether the Concentration</p>	

Limitations are met, Eligible Investments and Cash will be treated as Senior Secured Loans and Floating Rate Obligations.

See "Security For the Notes—Eligibility Criteria."

### Coverage Tests and the Retention

#### Overcollateralization Test.....

The "**Coverage Tests**" will consist of the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Tests. In addition, the Retention Overcollateralization Test, which is not a Coverage Test, will apply as described herein. See "Security For the Notes—The Coverage Tests—The Overcollateralization Tests" and "—The Interest Coverage Tests" for the formulations of these tests, which are highly detailed. The ratios on which they are based are also described under such headings. The tests will be used to determine, among other things, whether (i) Notes will be redeemed in certain circumstances as described under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments" and (ii) in the case of the Coverage Tests, Collateral Obligations may be acquired as described under "Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria."

There will not be any Coverage Test applicable to the Preference Shares.

#### *The Overcollateralization Tests.....*

The Overcollateralization Tests will consist of the "**Class A/B Overcollateralization Test**," the "**Class C Overcollateralization Test**," the "**Class D Overcollateralization Test**" and the "**Class E Overcollateralization Test**." Each Overcollateralization Test will be satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes if, as of any Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the specified required level for the specified Class indicated in the table below:

Test	Required Level
Class A/B Overcollateralization Test	112.14%
Class C Overcollateralization Test	107.59%
Class D Overcollateralization Test	105.79%
Class E Overcollateralization Test	103.91%

*The Interest Coverage Tests .....*

The Interest Coverage Tests will consist of the "**Class A/B Interest Coverage Test**," the "**Class C Interest Coverage Test**" and the "**Class D Interest Coverage Test**". Each Interest Coverage Test will be satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level specified in the table below for the specified Class:

Test	Required Level
Class A/B Interest Coverage Test	120.0%
Class C Interest Coverage Test	110.0%
Class D Interest Coverage Test	106.0%

*Retention Overcollateralization Test.*

A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date during the Replacement Period on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Retention Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 104.91%

**Collateral Quality Tests .....**

The Collateral Quality Tests will be used primarily as criteria for purchasing Collateral Obligations. See "Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria." The "**Collateral Quality Tests**" will consist of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Life Test, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the S&P CDO Monitor Test, as described below.

*Diversity Test.....*

The Diversity Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date, if the Diversity Score equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score.

*S&P CDO Monitor Test.....*

The S&P CDO Monitor Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive.

*Weighted Average Fixed Rate  
Coupon Test.....*

The Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 7.5%

*Weighted Average Life Test.....*

The Weighted Average Life Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that

date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the greater of (a) the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and November 1, 2017 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date and (b) 3.0 years.

*Weighted Average Moody's*

*Recovery Rate Test*..... The Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody's Weighted Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 43.6%.

*Weighted Average Rating Factor*

*Test*..... The Weighted Average Rating Factor Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date, if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of such Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor.

*S&P Minimum Weighted Average*

*Recovery Rate Test*..... The S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Class A S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test, Class B S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test, Class C S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test, Class D S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test and the Class E S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test is satisfied.

*Weighted Average Spread Test*..... The Weighted Average Spread Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread.

See "Security for the Notes—The Collateral Quality Tests."

**Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

**for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests**..... If any of the Coverage Tests is not satisfied as of the last day of any Due Period (each, a "**Determination Date**"), funds will be used pursuant to the Priority of Payments on the related Payment Date to redeem the Notes to the extent necessary for such failing Coverage Tests to be satisfied. Such funds would otherwise be used:

- (i) to purchase additional Collateral Obligations during the Replacement Period; or
- (ii) to make interest and principal payments on the Notes and to make dividend or redemption payments in respect of the Preference Shares.



See "Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests."

**Certain Consequences of Failure to Satisfy the Retention**

**Overcollateralization Test.....** If during the Replacement Period, the Retention Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on any Determination Date, certain funds, as described under clause (19) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds," representing Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be used to make payments on the Preference Shares and pay certain subordinated expenses of the Issuer, will be deposited instead into the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds to the extent necessary to cause the Retention Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as of that Determination Date after application of Principal Proceeds as described under clause (1) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds."

**Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

**Upon Rating Confirmation Failure.....** No later than five Business Days after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer shall (a) provide certain information to S&P and Moody's as required by the Indenture and described herein and (b) notify each of the Rating Agencies in writing of the occurrence of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (each, a "**Ramp-Up Notice**") and request in writing that each of S&P and Moody's confirm in writing prior to the Determination Date related to the first Payment Date that it has not reduced or withdrawn the ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes; *provided*, however, that the Issuer will not be required to request a Rating Confirmation from Moody's if, prior to the Determination Date related to the first Payment Date Moody's has received an accountants' certificate confirming (i) the Issuer is in compliance with each of the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests and the Concentration Limitations and (ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owns or has committed to purchase is at least equal to U.S.\$687,400,000. If the Issuer is unable to obtain a requested Rating Confirmation from S&P or, if required, Moody's with respect to any Class of Notes prior to the Determination Date related to the first Payment Date, a "**Rating Confirmation Failure**" will be deemed to have occurred and will thereafter be deemed to be continuing until the first date thereafter on which the Trustee shall have received evidence of confirmation of the Initial Ratings, on which date it shall be deemed to have been cured. If a Rating Confirmation Failure is continuing, then,



notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, all Interest Proceeds remaining after payment of amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (17) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" will be used to pay principal of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes in accordance with the Note Payment Sequence on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date thereafter until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. If necessary, after the foregoing payments are made out of Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds in accordance with clause (10) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds" will be used to pay principal of each Class of the Notes sequentially in order of their priority on each Payment Date until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. See "Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure."

**Non-Call Period** ..... The period from the Closing Date to but not including the Payment Date in November 2010 (the "**Non-Call Period**").

**Optional Redemption** ..... Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the applicable Required Redemption Percentage may require the Issuer or Co-Issuers, as applicable, to redeem the Notes, in whole but not in part, from Principal Proceeds and all other funds available for that purpose in the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Synthetic Security Reserve Account, the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account in accordance with the optional redemption procedures described under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption."

Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at their Redemption Price. From and after the Redemption Date the redeemed Notes will cease to bear interest.

The Redemption Price payable in connection with the Optional Redemption of any Class of Notes will be the sum of:

- (i) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of the Note being redeemed; *plus*
- (ii) accrued and unpaid interest on such Class of Notes (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest); *plus*

(iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, any Deferred Interest on such Class of Notes; *plus*

(iv) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of such Class of Notes.

The Redemption Price payable in connection with the Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares will be (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the entire remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case, as described under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption."

In addition, any Class of Notes may be redeemed in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period from Refinancing Proceeds obtained from a loan or the issuance of a replacement class of notes, subject to the written consent of a Majority of the Preference Shares (voting as a single class) and to the extent and subject to the restrictions and conditions described herein and set forth in the Indenture.

**Special Redemption .....** The Notes will be subject to redemption in whole or in part by the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, on Payment Dates during the Replacement Period if the Servicer elects (subject to the Servicing Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the use of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (a "**Special Redemption**"). On the first Payment Date following the Due Period for which such notice is effective (a "**Special Redemption Date**"), the funds in the Collection Account or the Payment Account representing Principal Proceeds which cannot be used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (the "**Special Redemption Amount**") will be available to be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments. See "Description of the Securities—Special Redemption of the Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture."

**Additional Issuance of Preference Shares.....**

At any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the net proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations if the conditions for such additional issuance described under "Description of the Securities—Additional Issuance of

Preference Shares" are met. Any amendment to the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents or any other related documents required to provide for or facilitate such additional issuance of Preference Shares will not require the consent of the Holders of Securities.

**The Offering**..... The Notes are initially being offered (i) in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act ("**Regulation S**") to non-U.S. Persons in offshore transactions ("**Offshore Transactions**") as such term is defined in Regulation S and (ii) to purchasers that are U.S. persons ("**U.S. Persons**") as such term is defined in Regulation S, that are (I) Qualified Institutional Buyers (as defined in Rule 144A) (each, a "**Qualified Institutional Buyer**") and (II) Qualified Purchasers. Subsequent transferees of the Notes must be (i) non-U.S. Persons that purchase the Notes in Offshore Transactions or (ii) both (a) Qualified Institutional Buyers and (b) Qualified Purchasers. The Preference Shares are initially offered and may be subsequently transferred only to purchasers that are (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers and (ii) Qualified Purchasers. See "Plan of Distribution" and "Transfer Restrictions."

**Form, Registration and Transfer of the Notes** ..... Except as provided herein, the Notes sold in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Rule 144A to persons that are both Qualified Institutional Buyers and Qualified Purchasers will be represented by one or more permanent global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons (each, a "**Rule 144A Global Note**") deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository. The Depository will credit the account of each of its participants with the principal amount of the beneficial interests in Notes being purchased by or through the participant. Beneficial interests in a Rule 144A Global Note will be shown on, and transfers thereof will be effected only through, records maintained by the Depository and its direct and indirect participants. See "Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Notes."

Except as provided herein, the Notes sold in Offshore Transactions to non-U.S. Persons in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by one or more permanent global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons (each, a "**Regulation S Global Note**," and, together with the Rule 144A Global Notes, the "**Global Notes**") which will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear or Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream at any time.

Except in the limited circumstances described herein, certificated Notes will not be issued in exchange for beneficial interests in Global Notes. See "Settlement and Clearing."

Transfers of the Notes are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Indenture. See "Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Notes" and "Transfer Restrictions." Each purchaser of Notes in making its purchase will be required to make certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements. See "Transfer Restrictions" for more details.

**Form, Registration and Transfers of the Preference Shares.....**

The Preference Shares will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Preference Shares in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the "**Certificated Preference Shares**").

Transfers of the Preference Shares are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Preference Share Documents. See "Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Preference Shares" and "Transfer Restrictions." Each purchaser of Preference Shares in making its purchase will be required to make certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements. See "Transfer Restrictions" for more details.

**Ratings .....**

It is a condition of the issuance of the Securities that each Class of Notes are rated at least as indicated in the table under "—Principal Terms of the Securities" on the Closing Date.

No rating of the Preference Shares has been sought or obtained in connection with the issuance thereof.

Each of the above ratings assumes that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date.

A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning Rating Agency. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—Future Ratings of the Notes Are Not Assured and Limited in Scope; the Preference Shares are Not Rated."

<b>Listing.....</b>	Application is expected to be made to list each Class of the Notes on the regulated market of the ISE. There can be no assurance that such admission will be granted or maintained. See "Listing and General Information." The issuance and settlement of the Notes on the Closing Date will not be conditioned on the listing of the Notes on the ISE. Furthermore, the Co-Issuers will not be required to maintain a listing on a stock exchange in the European Union if compliance with requirements of the European Commission on a member state becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer. In addition, there is currently no market for such Notes and there can be no assurance that a market will develop.
<b>Governing Law .....</b>	The terms and conditions of the Preference Shares (as set forth in the Issuer Charter and the Resolutions) will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the Cayman Islands. The Notes, Indenture, any supplemental indenture, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and any Hedge Agreements will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the State of New York.
<b>Tax Status.....</b>	See "Income Tax Considerations."
<b>Certain ERISA Considerations.....</b>	See "Certain ERISA Considerations" and "Transfer Restrictions."

## **RISK FACTORS**

*An investment in the Securities involves certain risks. Prospective investors should carefully consider the following factors, in addition to the matters set forth elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum, prior to investing in any Class of Securities.*

### **Investor Suitability**

An investment in the Securities will not be appropriate or suitable for all investors. Investors in the Securities could lose their entire investment. Structured investment products, like the Securities, are complex instruments, and typically involve a high degree of risk and are intended for sale only to sophisticated investors who are capable of understanding and assuming the risks involved. Any investor purchasing Securities should conduct its own investigation and analysis of an investment in the Securities and consult with its own professional advisors as to the risks involved in making such investment.

### **General; Priorities of Securities**

The Issuer intends to acquire securities and other financial assets with certain risk characteristics as provided in the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement. See "Security for the Notes." There can be no assurance that the Issuer will be successful in achieving its objectives to ensure that investors receive their initial investments under the Securities and that they receive a return (and avoid any losses, including total losses) on their investment in the Securities. Prospective investors are therefore advised to review this entire Offering Memorandum carefully and should consider, among other things, the following risk factors (along with, among other things, the inherent risks of investment activities) before deciding whether to invest in the Securities.

Except as is otherwise stated below, the risk factors are generally applicable to all the Securities, although the degree of risk associated with each Class of Securities may vary. In particular, the priorities of payment of the Notes are generally in the order of their alphabetic designation from the Class A Notes (the highest priority) to the Class E Notes (the lowest priority), the priorities of payment of the Notes are higher than priorities of payment of the Preference Shares except with respect to the amount, if any, required for payment of Class II Preference Share Special Payments. See "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments."

### **Relating to the Securities**

#### *The Securities Will Have Limited Liquidity*

There is currently no market for the Securities. There can be no assurance that a secondary market for any Class of Securities will develop, or if a secondary market does develop, that it will provide the Holders of the applicable Class of Securities with liquidity of investment or that it will continue for the life of such Class of Securities. In addition, each Class of Securities is subject to certain transfer restrictions and can only be transferred to certain transferees as described under "Transfer Restrictions." The restrictions on the transfer of the Securities may further limit their liquidity. The Securities are designed for long-term investors and should not be considered a vehicle for short-term trading purposes. Consequently, an investor in the Securities must be prepared to bear the risk of holding such Securities until their Stated Maturity or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. To the extent that any secondary market exists for the Securities in the future, the price (if any) at which Securities may be sold could be at a discount, which in some cases may be substantial, from the principal amount of the Securities. To the extent any market exists for the Securities in the future, significant delays could occur in the actual sale of Securities. In addition, the Securities will not be registered under the Securities Act or any state securities laws, and the Co-Issuers have no plans, and

are under no obligation, to register the Securities under the Securities Act. Application is expected to be made to admit each Class of the Notes to the Official List of the ISE. There can be no assurance that any such admission will be granted or maintained.

*The Initial Purchasers Will Not Monitor Performance of the Collateral*

The Initial Purchasers will have no obligation to monitor the performance of the Collateral Obligations or other Collateral or the actions of the Servicer or the Issuer and will have no authority to direct the action of the Issuer or the Servicer. If an Initial Purchaser or an Affiliate of an Initial Purchaser acts as a Hedge Counterparty or Synthetic Security Counterparty or owns any Securities, it will have no responsibility to consider the interests of any Holder of Securities in actions it takes in such capacity.

*The Subordination of the Class A-2 Notes, Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes, the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares Will Affect Their Right to Payment in Relation to the More Senior Securities*

The Class A-2 Notes will be subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A-1 Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class A-2 Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A-1 Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees and expenses) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class A-2 Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A-1 Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

The Class B Notes will be subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class B Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees and expenses) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class B Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

The Class C Notes will be subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class C Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees and expenses) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class C Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class C Deferred Interest.

The Class D Notes will be subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class D Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees and expenses) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class D Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class D Deferred Interest.

The Class E Notes will be subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class E Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees and expenses) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class E Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class E Deferred Interest and the use of Interest Proceeds to pay principal of the Class E Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class E Coverage Test.

No payments will be made out of Interest Proceeds on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments), until due and unpaid interest on the Notes (including any Deferred Interest) and certain amounts (including certain amounts due under the Hedge Agreements, certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees and expenses) have been paid on the Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments. No payments will be made out of Principal Proceeds on the Preference Shares (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) until principal of each Class of Notes and certain other amounts payable out of Principal Proceeds on each Payment Date have been paid in full. In addition, the Preference Shares will not be redeemed until each Class of Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

In addition, the Co-Issuers will have only nominal equity capitalization. Consequently, to the extent that any losses are suffered by any of the Holders of any Securities, the losses will be borne first by the Holders of the Preference Shares, and then by the Holders of each Class of Notes, sequentially in inverse order of their alphabetic designations.

See "Description of the Securities."

*Interest Will Be Deferred on Deferred Interest Notes if There Are Insufficient Funds under the Priority of Payments for Payment of Interest*

So long as any Class A Notes or Class B Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class C Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes as Class C Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class C Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds.

So long as any Class A Notes, Class B Notes or Class C Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class D Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes as Class D Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class D Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds.



So long as any Class A Notes, Class B Notes, Class C Notes or Class D Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class E Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class E Notes as Class E Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class E Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds.

*Interest Proceeds May Be Retained in Priority to any Payments to Holders of Preference Shares*

During the Replacement Period, if the Retention Overcollateralization Test is not met on any Determination Date, a portion of the Interest Proceeds that might otherwise have been paid to the Holders of the Preference Shares on the related Payment Date will instead be deposited into the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds, as described under clause (19) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds."

*The Controlling Class Will Control Many Rights under the Indenture; However, Some Rights of the Controlling Class to Sell the Collateral in Connection with an Event of Default Are Limited*

Under the Indenture, many rights of the Holders of the Notes will be controlled by a Majority of the Controlling Class. Remedies pursued by the Holders of the Controlling Class upon an Event of Default could be adverse to the interests of the Holders of Securities subordinated to the Controlling Class. After any realization on the Collateral, proceeds will be allocated in accordance with the Priority of Payments pursuant to which the Notes and certain other amounts owing by the Co-Issuers will be paid in full before any allocation to the Preference Shares (except, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments), and each Class of Notes (along with certain other amounts owing by the Co-Issuers) will be paid sequentially in alphabetic order until it is paid in full before any allocation is made to the next Class of Notes.

The ability of the Controlling Class to direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral is subject to certain limitations. As described under "Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default," if an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee must retain the Collateral intact and collect all payments in respect of the Collateral and continue making payments in accordance with the Priority of Payments and in accordance with the Indenture unless either (A) the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, determines that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds," and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination, (B) the Holders of a Super Majority of each of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes direct, subject to the provisions of the Indenture, the sale and liquidation of the Collateral or (C) the Class A/B Overcollateralization Ratio is less than 90% and the Holders of a Majority of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes voting together as a single Class direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral; *provided* that upon such direction, the Trustee will (x) first sell or liquidate any Collateral for which either (a) two or more bid-side prices have been determined by an Approved Pricing Service or (b) bid-side prices have been obtained from at least two nationally recognized broker-dealers selected by a Majority of the Controlling Class and (y) thereafter will sell or liquidate such

remaining Collateral to the extent such Collateral can be liquidated or sold in accordance with the Indenture and applicable law; provided that any Collateral consisting of equity securities or Defaulted Collateral Obligations will not be subject to sale or liquidation pursuant to this clause (C). If any Collateral is sold in accordance with clause (C)(x) above and Highland is the Servicer, the Servicer will have the exclusive right to purchase such Collateral for the first two Business Days from the date the last of such bid-prices was determined by an Approved Pricing Service or obtained from a nationally recognized broker-deal selected by a Majority of the Controlling Class with respect to such Collateral at a price equal to the highest bid-price for such Collateral that was determined by an Approved Pricing Service or obtained from a nationally recognized broker-dealer selected by a Majority of the Controlling Class and, thereafter, the Trustee may sell such Collateral to other parties in accordance with the terms of the Indenture; provided that, in any such case, such sale to the Servicer or to any other party is effected in accordance with applicable law, including all notice and other requirements under the UCC.

*Net Proceeds Will be Less Than Aggregate Amount of the Securities*

It is anticipated that the proceeds received by the Issuer on the Closing Date from the issuance of the Securities, net of certain fees and expenses, will be less than the aggregate principal amount of the Securities. Consequently, it is anticipated that on the Closing Date the Collateral will be insufficient to repay the full principal amount of the Notes and the Face Amount of the Preference Shares in the event an Event of Default were to occur under the Indenture on or shortly after the Closing Date.

In addition, during the lifetime of the transaction, except as described herein, excess interest will be distributed to the Holders of the Preference Shares, rather than being invested in additional Collateral Obligations. Therefore, it is highly likely that after payments of the Notes and the other amounts payable prior to the Preference Shares under the Priority of Payments, Principal Proceeds will be insufficient to return the initial investment made in the Preference Shares. Therefore, Holders of Preference Shares must rely on distributions of excess interest proceeds to achieve their expected return.

*The Issuer is Highly Leveraged, which Increases Risks to Investors*

The Issuer will be substantially leveraged. The use of leverage in acquiring assets is a speculative technique which increases the risk to Holders of the Securities, particularly Holders of the subordinated Securities. In certain scenarios, the Notes may not be paid in full and the Preference Shares may be subject to up to 100% loss of invested capital. The leverage provided to the Issuer by the issuance of the Securities will result in interest expense and other costs incurred in connection with the borrowings that may not be covered by the net interest income, dividends and other cash flow in respect of the Collateral Obligations. The use of leverage generally magnifies the Issuer's risk of loss, particularly for the more subordinate Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares. The Preference Shares represent the most junior Securities in a highly leveraged capital structure. As a result, any deterioration in performance of the Collateral, including defaults and losses, a reduction of realized yield or other factors, will be borne first by Holders of the Preference Shares. In addition, the use of leverage can magnify the effects on the Preference Shares of a deterioration in the performance of the Collateral. In certain circumstances, such as in connection with the exercise of remedies following an Event of Default, the Controlling Class may require the Issuer to dispose of some or all of the Collateral Obligations under unfavorable market conditions, thus causing the Issuer to recognize a loss that might not otherwise have occurred. In certain circumstances, the Controlling Class are entitled to direct the sales of Collateral Obligations and may be expected to do so in their own interest, rather than in the interests of the more subordinate Classes of Securities.

*Each of the Co-Issuers Is Recently Formed, Has No Significant Operating History, Has No Material Assets Other than the Collateral and Is Limited in Its Permitted Activities*

Each of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer is a recently formed entity and has no significant operating history, other than, with respect to the Issuer, in connection with the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations during the period up to the Ramp-Up Completion Date. Accordingly, neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has a performance history for prospective investors to consider. The performance of other CDO vehicles serviced or advised by the Servicer should not be relied upon as an indication or prediction of the performance of the Issuer. Such other CDO vehicles may have significantly different characteristics, including structures, composition of the collateral pool, objectives, management personnel and terms when compared to the Issuer and the Co-Issuer. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Servicer—Performance History of the Servicer May Not Be Indicative of Future Results."

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer will have any material assets other than, with respect to the Issuer, the Collateral. The Indenture provides that the Issuer is not permitted to engage in any business activity other than the issuance of the Notes, the Preference Shares and the Issuer Ordinary Shares, the acquisition and disposition of Collateral Obligations, certain activities conducted in connection with the payment of amounts in respect of the Securities and the servicing of the Collateral, and other activities incidental or related to the foregoing and that the Co-Issuer is not permitted to engage in any business activity other than the co-issuance and sale of the Notes, the issuance of its membership interests, and other activities incidental or related to the foregoing. Income derived from the Collateral will be the Issuer's principal source of cash.

*The Securities Are Not Registered Under the Securities Act and the Issuer Is Not Registered under the Investment Company Act*

The Issuer has not registered and will not register the Securities under the Securities Act and the Issuer is not registered under the Investment Company Act, in each case in reliance upon applicable exemptions to registration under the Securities Act and the Investment Company Act. The Issuer does not expect to register the Securities under the Securities Act nor become registered under the Investment Company Act at any time in the foreseeable future. As such, investors should be aware that the Issuer and the Securities are not subject to many of the regulatory protections and oversight applicable to securities that are registered under the Securities Act or applicable to registered investment companies.

*The Notes Are Limited-Recourse Debt Obligations of the Issuer; Investors Must Rely on Available Collections from the Collateral and Will Have No Other Source for Payment*

The Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer and non-recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuer. The Securities are payable solely from the Collateral pledged by the Issuer to secure the Notes. None of the security holders, members, officers, directors, partners, or incorporators of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers, any Synthetic Security Counterparty, any Hedge Counterparty, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator, the Administrator, the Share Registrar, the Share Trustee, any of their respective affiliates, or any other person will be obligated to make payments on the Notes. The Issuer's ability to make interest payments and principal repayments on the Notes will be constrained by the terms of the Indenture. Holders of the Notes must rely solely on collections received on the Collateral pledged to secure the Notes and for the payment of interest and principal on the Notes, and there can be no assurance that those collections will be sufficient to pay all amounts due on the Notes. If distributions on the Collateral are insufficient to make payments on the Notes, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and, following liquidation of all of the Collateral, the Co-Issuers will not have any obligation to pay any deficiency, which will be extinguished and will not revive.

*The Securities will not be Guaranteed by the Initial Purchaser, the Servicer, any Synthetic Security Counterparty, any Hedge Counterparty, the Trustee or any Other Person*

None of the Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, the Servicer, any Synthetic Security Counterparty, any Hedge Counterparty, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Trustee or any Affiliate thereof makes any assurance, guarantee or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting or otherwise) to investors of ownership of the Securities and no investor may rely on any such person for a determination of expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting or otherwise) to such investor of ownership of the Securities.

*The Preference Shares are not Secured Obligations; Investors Must Rely on Available Collections from the Collateral and Will Have No Other Source for Payment*

The Preference Shares will be part of the issued share capital of the Issuer. The Preference Shares are equity in the Issuer and are not secured by the Collateral Obligations or other Collateral securing the Notes. As such, the Holders of Preference Shares will rank behind all creditors, whether secured or unsecured and known or unknown, of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the Holders of the Notes, any Synthetic Security Counterparties and any Hedge Counterparties (other than, to the extent described under the "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments," the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares with respect to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments). Except with respect to the obligations of the Issuer to pay the amounts described under the "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" and "—Principal Proceeds," the Issuer does not, however, expect to have any creditors though there can be no assurance that this will be the case. In addition, the Issuer is also subject to limitations with respect to the business that it may undertake. See "The Co-Issuers—Business." Payments in respect of the Preference Shares are subject to certain requirements imposed by Cayman Islands law. Any amounts paid by the Preference Shares Paying Agent as dividends on the Preference Shares will be payable only if the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or balance in the Issuer's share premium account. In addition, dividends and the final payment upon redemption of the Preference Shares will be payable only to the extent that the Issuer is and will remain solvent after such dividends or redemption payment is paid. Under Cayman Islands law, a company is generally deemed to be solvent if it is able to pay its debts as they come due.

The Issuer's obligation to pay dividends or to make other distributions to the Holders of the Preference Shares will therefore not be a secured obligation of the Issuer and such Holders will not be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture, nor will the Trustee have any obligation to act on behalf of the Holders of Preference Shares. With the exception of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, Holders of the Preference Shares will only be entitled to receive amounts available for payment of dividends or other distributions after payment of all amounts payable on each Class of Notes and certain other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments and only to the extent of distributable profits of the Issuer and/or any balance in the Issuer's share premium account and (in each case) only to the extent that the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distributions.

To the extent the requirements under Cayman Islands law described in the preceding paragraphs are not met, amounts otherwise payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares (with the exception of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) will be retained in the Preference Shares Distribution Account until, in the case of dividends, the next succeeding Payment Date on which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent such requirements are met and, in the case of any payment on redemption of the Preference Shares, the next succeeding Business Day on which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent such requirements are met. Amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares

Distribution Account will not be available to pay amounts due to the Holders of the Notes, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Servicer, any Synthetic Security Counterparty, any Hedge Counterparty or any other creditor of the Issuer whose claim is limited in recourse to the Collateral. However, amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account may be subject to the claims of creditors of the Issuer that have not contractually limited their recourse to the Collateral. The Indenture and the Preference Share Documents will limit the Issuer's activities to the issuance and sale of the Securities, the acquisition and disposition of the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments and the other activities related to the issuance and sale of the Securities described under the "The Co-Issuers." The Issuer therefore does not expect to have any significant full recourse liabilities that would be payable out of amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

*The Issuer May Distribute Eligible Equity Securities to the Holders of the Preference Shares in Lieu of Cash*

The Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, may direct the Trustee to distribute Eligible Equity Securities, in lieu of a distribution of Interest Proceeds, in whole or in part, to the Holders of the Preference Shares who consent to such distribution with respect to any applicable Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities, determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date, is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be distributed to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares on the relevant Payment Date. The Market Value of any Eligible Equity Securities is subject to fluctuations and may increase or decrease following any distribution of such Eligible Equity Securities to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares, which, in certain circumstances, may result in the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares receiving overall a higher or lower internal rate of return compared with the internal rate of return received by the Holders of the Preference Shares who have not accepted any distribution of the Eligible Equity Securities.

*The Issuer May Not Be Able to Apply Available Funds to Acquire Appropriate Collateral*

The amount of Collateral Obligations purchased on the Closing Date, the amount and timing of the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations before the Ramp-Up Completion Date, and the subsequent application of Principal Proceeds, will affect the cash flows available to make payments on, and the return to the Holders of, the Securities. Additionally, the market price of Collateral Obligations on the Closing Date may be less than the price paid by the Issuer during the Accumulation Period and any net losses experienced in respect of any such Collateral Obligation during the period in which they were warehoused will be for the Issuer's account. See "—A Substantial Amount of Collateral Obligations Was Acquired Before the Closing Date, and the Terms of the Acquisition May Adversely Affect the Issuer" below. Reduced liquidity and relatively lower volumes of trading in certain Collateral Obligations, in addition to restrictions on acquisition represented by the Eligibility Criteria, could result in periods during which the Issuer is not able to fully utilize its available cash to acquire Collateral Obligations, and it is unlikely that the Issuer's available cash will be fully applied in Collateral Obligations at any time. The longer the period before application of cash or cash-equivalents to acquire Collateral Obligations and the larger the amount of such cash or cash equivalents, the greater the adverse impact may be on aggregate interest collected and distributed by the Issuer, thereby resulting in lower yield than could have been obtained if the net proceeds associated with the offering of the Securities and all Principal Proceeds were immediately and fully applied. The associated risk will be borne first by the Holders of the Preference Shares and second by the Holders of the Notes (beginning with the most subordinated Class of Notes). Although the Servicer may mitigate this risk to some degree during the Replacement Period by declaring a Special Redemption, the Servicer is not required to do so, and any Special Redemption may result in a lower yield on the Issuer's assets than could have been obtained if the net proceeds from the offering of

the Securities and all Principal Proceeds were immediately and fully applied and no Special Redemption had taken place.

Generally, Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations, and Sale Proceeds received on the Collateral Obligations) will be applied during the Replacement Period (and, Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, may be applied on any date after the Replacement Period, at the discretion of the Servicer) to purchase replacement Collateral Obligations or temporarily held in Eligible Investments pending purchase of replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The earnings with respect to replacement Collateral Obligations will depend, among other factors, on interest rates available in the marketplace at the time and on the availability of Collateral Obligations acceptable to the Servicer that satisfy the criteria under "Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria." The need to satisfy the criteria and identify acceptable Collateral Obligations may require the purchase of replacement Collateral Obligations having lower yields than those initially acquired or require that Principal Proceeds be held temporarily in cash or Eligible Investments, which will reduce the yield earned by the Issuer. Further, issuers of Collateral Obligations may be more likely to exercise any rights they may have to redeem them when interest rates or spreads are declining. Any decrease in the yield on the Collateral Obligations will reduce the amounts available to make payments of principal and interest on the Notes and payments on the Preference Shares.

The Issuer expects that, as of the Closing Date, it will have purchased (or entered into commitments to purchase) an Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations to be included in the anticipated portfolio equal to at least 90% of the Maximum Amount as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date. As such, on the Closing Date, the Issuer is expected to have unapplied proceeds. This will likely reduce the amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be available to distribute to the Holders of the Preference Shares, particularly on the first Payment Date. If the Issuer issues additional Preference Shares after the Closing Date, the Issuer would likely have unapplied proceeds of the offering, pending the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations. The extent to which cash balances remain unapplied will be subject to a variety of factors, including future market conditions and is difficult to predict.

*The Issuer and the Initial Purchasers Will Not be Required to Provide Valuation Information*

Neither the Issuer, the Initial Purchasers nor any other party will be required to provide periodic pricing or valuation information to investors regarding the Securities or the Collateral. Therefore, investors must be prepared to make their own determination on the value of the Securities they hold or on the Collateral.

*The Securities Will be Subject to Substantial Transfer Restrictions*

The Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act, under any U.S. state securities or "Blue Sky" laws, or under the securities laws of any other jurisdiction and are being issued and sold in reliance upon exemptions from registration provided by those laws. No Securities may be sold or transferred unless: the sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act (for example, in reliance on exemptions provided by Rule 144A or Regulation S) and applicable state securities laws; and the sale or transfer does not cause either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral to become subject to the registration requirements of the Investment Company Act. See "Transfer Restrictions" and "Certain ERISA Considerations."

*Non-Compliance with Restrictions on Ownership of the Securities and Acquisition or Disposition of Collateral Obligations under the Investment Company Act Could Adversely Affect the Issuer*

Neither of the Co-Issuers has registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") as an investment company pursuant to the Investment Company Act in reliance on an exclusion from the definition of "investment company" under Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act for companies organized under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States or any of its states whose investors residing in the United States are solely "qualified purchasers" (within the meaning given to such term in the Investment Company Act and related SEC regulations).

The Issuer may, at any time following the Closing Date, rely on exclusion from the definition of "investment company" under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7) upon (a) receipt of an opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm providing that neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer is required to register as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act in reliance on such exclusion under Rule 3a-7 and (b) notice to the Holders of the Securities in accordance with the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. In connection with this alternate reliance, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents may be amended without the consent of any Holders to prevent the Issuer from becoming an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7). There can be no assurance that the Issuer will satisfy the requirements of Rule 3a-7 or that any investor will be able to treat the Issuer as excluded from the definition of "investment company" in reliance on Rule 3a-7. See "—Restrictions on Acquisition or Disposition of Collateral Obligations May Reduce the Earnings of the Holders of the Securities" and "—The Servicer May Cause the Issuer to Amend the Indenture to Assure Compliance with Rule 3a-7 Without the Consent of the Holders of the Securities in a Manner that May Adversely Affect the Holders of Securities" below.

No opinion or no-action position with respect to the registration of either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral under the Investment Company Act has been requested of, or received from, the SEC. If the SEC or a court of competent jurisdiction were to find that the Issuer or the Co-Issuer is required, but in violation of the Investment Company Act had failed, to register as an investment company, possible consequences include the following: (i) the SEC could apply to a district court to enjoin the violation; (ii) investors in the Issuer or the Co-Issuer could sue the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, and recover any damages caused by the violation; and (iii) any contract to which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, is party whose performance involves a violation of the Investment Company Act would be unenforceable by any party to the contract unless a court were to find that under the circumstances enforcement would produce a more equitable result than non-enforcement and would not be inconsistent with the purposes of the Investment Company Act.

In addition, the Issuer's being required to register as an investment company would result in an Event of Default. See "Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default." Should the Issuer or the Co-Issuer be subjected to any or all of the foregoing, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, would be materially and adversely affected.

*Restrictions on Acquisition or Disposition of Collateral Obligations May Reduce the Earnings of the Holders of the Securities*

Rule 3a-7 imposes limitations on the ability of the Issuer to purchase or sell assets, including prohibiting the Issuer from purchasing or selling assets for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. Regardless of whether the Issuer relies on the exclusion from the definition of "investment company" under Rule 3a-7, the Indenture will restrict the

Issuer from purchasing and selling assets in accordance with criteria intended to be consistent with requirements of Rule 3a-7. Compliance with Rule 3a-7 may limit the Issuer's ability to enter into Synthetic Securities to the extent otherwise permitted by the Eligibility Criteria. In addition, under these restrictions the Issuer may be required to hold a Collateral Obligation or precluded from acquiring a Collateral Obligation when it would have sold such Collateral Obligation or acquired such Collateral Obligation, as applicable, had it based such determination on the market value changes in the value of such Collateral Obligations. As a result, greater losses on the Collateral may be sustained and there may be insufficient proceeds on any Payment Date to pay in full any expenses of the Issuer or any amounts payable to the Trustee or the Administrator (all of which amounts are payable prior to payments in respect of the Notes) and the payments due on the Securities. See "Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations."

*The Servicer May Cause the Issuer to Amend the Indenture to Assure Compliance with Rule 3a-7 Without the Consent of the Holders of the Securities in a Manner That May Adversely Affect the Holders of Securities*

On the Closing Date, HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries will purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares. The Servicer will act as the manager for HFP. HFP, for purposes unrelated to the transactions contemplated herein, may need to rely on an exception from the definition of "investment company" and the requirement to register under the Investment Company Act that in turn depends upon the Issuer not being an investment company required to register under the Investment Company Act by reason of Rule 3a-7 thereunder in lieu of the Issuer's reliance on Section 3(c)(7). It is expected that, in connection with certain capital raising activities of HFP, the SEC may consider the applicability of Rule 3a-7 to the Issuer. If it were determined that the Issuer cannot rely on Rule 3a-7, the Servicer may cause the Issuer to amend the Indenture without the consent of the Holders of the Notes and without the consent of the Holders of the Preference Shares to enable the Issuer to rely on Rule 3a-7 or to better assure compliance therewith, which could require additional limitations and prohibitions on the circumstances under which the Issuer may sell assets, on the type of assets that the Issuer may acquire out of the proceeds of assets that mature, are refinanced or otherwise sold, on the period during which such transactions may occur, on the level of transactions that may occur or on other provisions of the Indenture and could adversely affect the earnings of the Issuer and its ability to make payments on the Notes and distributions to the Preference Shares. As a condition to the effectiveness of any such amendment to the Indenture, the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer will receive (i) a Rating Confirmation with respect to such amendment and (ii) a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such amendment and assuming compliance with the Indenture as so amended, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act in reliance on such exemption under Rule 3a-7. Such nationally recognized law firm may also be acting as counsel to the Servicer, certain Holders of Notes and/or Preference Shares. The interests of any such parties may not align with the interest of other Holders of Notes and/or Preference Shares. See "Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Supplemental Indenture."

*The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary*

The Stated Maturity of the Notes is November 1, 2021 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date. The weighted average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years until their Stated Maturity. See "Description of the Securities." The weighted average life of a Class of Notes will be affected by the amount and timing of payments of principal of the Notes and the amount and timing of payments received on the Collateral Obligations. The amount and timing of payments of principal on the Notes will be affected by, among other things,



any Optional Redemption of the Notes, any Refinancing of the Notes, a failure of any Coverage Test, a Rating Confirmation Failure, any failure by the Servicer to apply the proceeds of the offering of the Securities in Collateral Obligations, a redemption of the Securities made in connection with a Tax Event, any Special Redemption of one or more Classes of Notes, and an Event of Default by the Issuer in the payment of the Notes and an acceleration of the principal of the Notes in connection with an Event of Default. The occurrence of any of the foregoing unscheduled principal repayments of the Notes is, in turn, determined by the amount and timing of payments on the Collateral, which will be dependent on, among other things, the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral and the characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, including the existence and frequency of exercise of any prepayment, optional redemption, or sinking fund features, the prevailing level of interest rates, the redemption price, the actual default rate and the actual level of recoveries on any Defaulted Collateral Obligations, the frequency of tender or exchange offers for the Collateral Obligations and any sales of Collateral Obligations, dividends or other distributions received on any obligations that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange do not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, as well as the risks unique to Collateral Obligations of foreign issuers. A shortening of the average life of the Notes may adversely affect returns on the Preference Shares. See "Security for the Notes."

The Collateral Obligations actually acquired by the Issuer may be different from those expected to be purchased by the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, due to market conditions, availability of such Collateral Obligations and other factors. The actual portfolio of Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer will change from time to time as a result of sales and purchases of Collateral Obligations.

*A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected*

Under the Indenture, the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, will be entitled, on each Extension Effective Date, to extend the Replacement Period (a maximum of four times) to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. Under the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents, if the Replacement Period is so extended, the Stated Maturity of the Notes (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) will be equally extended and the Weighted Average Life Test will be automatically extended without the requirement for any approval or consent of any Holders of Securities. Holders of Securities will not be able to prevent or prohibit the extension of the Stated Maturity of the Notes (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) so long as the Extension Conditions are satisfied, which include the ability of Holders of Securities to sell their Securities at the designated purchase price to a designated purchaser under the Indenture. However, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Indenture provides that Holders of Preference Shares that have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% as of the Extension Effective Date will not receive any payment in exchange for their Preference Shares sold in connection with a Maturity Extension.

As a consequence, if the Servicer elects to extend the Replacement Period and the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Holders of the Securities must either hold their Securities for a significantly longer period of time than initially expected or sell their Securities at the applicable purchase price under the Indenture.

*An Amendment Buy-Out May Result in a Shorter Holding Period Than Expected*

Any Non-Consenting Holder of Securities with respect to an amendment of the Indenture (which includes Holders that fail to respond to a consent solicitation within the applicable period) may be forced to sell its applicable Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Securities. However, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Indenture provides that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price will be zero for Non-Consenting Holders that have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% as of the Amendment Buy-Out Date. See "Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out." Given these features, a Holder's ability to affect or influence the amendment process through voting against such amendment may be limited, while the Servicer's ability to affect or influence the amendment process may be enhanced.

*The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests*

If any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied on any Determination Date on which the Notes of the relevant Class are Outstanding, Interest Proceeds available on the related Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments (and, to the extent Interest Proceeds are insufficient, Principal Proceeds available on the Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments) are required to be applied to pay principal of the relevant Class of Notes (and any Classes senior to it) to the extent necessary for the relevant Coverage Test to be satisfied. The application of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to pay principal of the Notes to the extent necessary to restore the Coverage Tests to certain minimum required levels could result in an elimination, deferral or reduction in the amounts available to make distributions on the Preference Shares and interest and principal payments on one or more classes of Notes, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of the Securities.

*The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure*

If a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, Interest Proceeds and, if Interest Proceeds are insufficient, Principal Proceeds, are required to be diverted in accordance with the Priority of Payments and used to pay the principal of the Notes sequentially in order of their relative priority on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date after that until each rating is reinstated. The application of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to pay principal of the Notes to the extent necessary for one or more ratings to be reinstated could result in an elimination, deferral, or reduction in one or more payments or distributions on one or more Classes of Securities, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of those Classes of Securities.

*The Indenture Permits Special Redemption of Notes Based on the Servicer's Inability to Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations*

The Servicer is permitted under the Indenture to elect to have all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations applied to a Special Redemption of the Notes, in whole or in part, on one or more Payment Dates during the Replacement Period because it has been unable, for a period of at least 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional or replacement Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the application of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations. On the Special Redemption Date, in accordance with the Indenture, the Special Redemption Amount will be applied in accordance with "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds," to the extent available (which includes for this purpose unapplied proceeds specified by the Servicer), to pay the principal of the Notes. The application of funds

in that manner could result in an elimination, deferral, or reduction of amounts available to make payments on Securities subordinate in priority to the Securities being amortized. See "Description of the Securities—Special Redemption of Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture."

*The Notes Are Subject to Optional Redemption*

Subject to satisfaction of certain conditions, on any Payment Date upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the applicable Required Redemption Percentage may require that the Notes be redeemed as described under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption." In the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Servicer may be required to aggregate Collateral Obligations to be sold together in one block transaction, thereby possibly resulting in a lower realized value for the Collateral Obligations sold. There can be no assurance that the market value of the Collateral will be sufficient for the applicable Required Redemption Percentage to direct an Optional Redemption of the Notes. A decrease in the market value of the Collateral would adversely affect the Sale Proceeds from their sale. Consequently, the conditions precedent to the exercise of an Optional Redemption may not be met. Moreover, the Holders of the Notes may not be able to invest the proceeds of the redemption of the Notes in investments providing a return equal to or greater than the return the Holders of the Notes expected to obtain from their investment in the Notes.

*The Notes are Subject to Redemption by Refinancing*

The Indenture provides that any Class of the Notes may be redeemed in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period from Refinancing Proceeds subject to the satisfaction of certain requirements. See "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Redemption by Refinancing." Accordingly, a more junior Class of Notes may be redeemed from Refinancing Proceeds in whole even if a more senior Class of Notes remains outstanding. Holders of Notes that are refinanced (or otherwise optionally redeemed) may not be able to reinvest the proceeds of such Notes in assets with comparable interest rates or maturity. An optional redemption from Refinancing Proceeds may also result in a shorter investment than a Holder of Notes may have anticipated.

*Future Ratings of the Notes Are Not Assured and Limited in Scope; the Preference Shares Are Not Rated*

It is a condition to the issuance of the Notes that they be rated as provided under "Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities." A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and is subject to revision or withdrawal at any time. There is no assurance that a rating will remain for any given period or that a rating will not be lowered or withdrawn entirely by each Rating Agency if in its judgment circumstances in the future so warrant. Any such action could have an adverse effect on the Holders of the relevant Class of Securities. If a rating initially assigned to a Class of Notes is subsequently lowered for any reason, no person is obligated to provide any additional credit support or credit enhancement. The ratings of the Notes are based on the assumption that no Maturity Extension occurs at any time.

No rating of the Preference Shares will be sought or obtained in connection with their issuance.

*Holders of Beneficial Interests in Global Notes will not be Considered "holders" Under the Indenture*

Holders of beneficial interests in any Securities held in global form will not be considered holders of such Securities under the Indenture. DTC will be the sole holder for any such Securities, and therefore

each beneficial owner of a Security held in global form must rely on the procedures of DTC (and, in the case of beneficial interests in (Regulation S Global Notes) Euroclear or Clearstream) to exercise any rights of a holder of a Security under the Indenture.

*The Issuer Could Be Subject to Tax on a Net Income Basis*

The Issuer expects to conduct its affairs so that its income generally will not be subject to tax on a net income basis in the United States or any other jurisdiction. There are no restrictions on the location from which the Servicer may perform its duties under the Servicing Agreement and performance of such duties from certain locations could subject the Issuer to state, local or foreign net income or franchise tax. The Issuer also expects that payments received on the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments generally will not be subject to withholding taxes imposed by the United States or other countries from which such payments are sourced. The Issuer's income might become subject to net income or withholding taxes in the United States or other jurisdictions due to unanticipated circumstances, a change in law, contrary positions of relevant taxing authorities or other causes. Payments with respect to any equity securities held by the Issuer likely will be subject to withholding taxes imposed by the United States or other countries from which such payments are sourced. In addition, the Issuer may hold up to ten Synthetic Letters of Credit acquired in connection with the acquisition of a Loan issued under the same credit facility. Whether payments received with respect to such Synthetic Letters of Credit are subject to United States withholding tax is unclear. The imposition of unanticipated withholding taxes or tax on the Issuer's net income could materially impair the Issuer's ability to make payments on the Securities. See "Income Tax Considerations".

*Issuer Not Obligated to Gross-Up*

The Issuer expects that payments on the Securities ordinarily will not be subject to any withholding tax in the Cayman Islands, the United States or any other jurisdiction. If withholding or deduction of taxes is required in any jurisdiction, neither Co-Issuer shall be under any obligation to make any additional payments to the holders of Securities in respect of such withholding or deduction.

*Holders of Preference Shares Should Consider Tax Treatment*

Because the Issuer will be a passive foreign investment company, a U.S. person holding Preference Shares may be subject to additional taxes unless it elects to treat the Issuer as a qualified electing fund and to recognize currently its proportionate share of the Issuer's income. The Issuer also may be a controlled foreign corporation, in which case U.S. persons holding Preference Shares could be subject to different tax treatments.

Purchasers of the Class I Preference Shares should note that, because of the priority given to the Class II Preference Shares in respect of certain distributions, U.S. persons holding Class I Preference Shares that make a QEF election could pay taxes on their pro rata share of earnings even though the related cash is distributed to holders of the Class II Preference Shares. See "Income Tax Considerations".

*Restrictions Will Be Placed On Benefit Plan Investors*

Certain transactions involving the Co-Issuers in the ordinary course might be deemed to constitute "prohibited transactions" under the United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("**ERISA**"), and Section 4975 of the Code with respect to Benefit Plan Investors (as defined in "Certain ERISA Considerations") that purchase the Securities, if assets of the Issuer and/or the Co-Issuer were deemed to be "plan assets" subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or Similar Law (as defined in "Certain ERISA Considerations"). The Issuer intends to restrict ownership of

the Preference Shares by Benefit Plan Investors so that no assets of the Issuer will be deemed to be "plan assets" of a plan subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code. Specifically, the Issuer, in reliance on purchaser and transferee representations and deemed representations, intends to restrict the acquisition of the Preference Shares so that less than 25% of the aggregate outstanding amount of each of the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares will be held by Benefit Plan Investors (determined without regard to those Preference Shares held by Controlling Persons (as defined in "Certain ERISA Considerations")), such as the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares held by the Servicer or its affiliates and employees thereof). In this regard, although Section 3(42) of ERISA provides that an entity is considered to hold plan assets only to the extent of the percentage of the equity interest held by Benefit Plan Investors, 100% of Preference Shares, as applicable, held by an entity that is a Benefit Plan Investor (including an insurance company whose general account assets are treated as "plan assets") will be treated as Preference Shares, as applicable, held by a Benefit Plan Investor. However, there can be no assurance that the ownership of any of the the Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares by Benefit Plan Investors will always remain below the 25% threshold established under the Plan Asset Regulation (as defined in "Certain ERISA Considerations").

Although the Co-Issuers believe that the Notes should be classified as indebtedness (rather than as equity) for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulation (as defined in "Certain ERISA Considerations") (and thus will allow more than 25% of each class of Notes to be purchased by Benefit Plan Investors), there can be no assurance that the Notes will be so characterized, and the characterization of one or more classes of the Notes could change if the financial condition of the Co-Issuers changes or other terms and conditions of the Notes change.

If the Benefit Plan Investor ownership of any of the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares were to meet or exceed the 25% threshold described above, or any class of the Notes were characterized as equity and such threshold were exceeded with respect to such class, resulting in the assets of the Co-Issuers being deemed to be "plan assets," certain transactions that the Co-Issuers might enter into, or may have entered into, in the ordinary course of business, might constitute non-exempt prohibited transactions under ERISA and/or Section 4975 of the Code and might have to be rescinded. Additionally, the Co-Issuers or other "parties in interest" (as defined in Section 3(14) of ERISA) or "disqualified persons" (as defined in Section 4975(e)(2) of the Code) may be subject to other penalties and liabilities with respect to the transaction.

In addition, the acquisition or holding of the Securities by or on behalf of a plan subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code could give rise to a prohibited transaction if any of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers, other persons providing services in connection with the Co-Issuers, or any of their respective affiliates, is a "party in interest" or "disqualified person" with respect to that plan. The acquisition or holding of Securities by a governmental, foreign or church plan subject to laws substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code could constitute a violation of such similar laws. If such transaction is not exempt from ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code or, if applicable, substantially similar laws pertaining to governmental, foreign or church plans, the transaction may have to be rescinded and the Co-Issuers or other "parties in interest" or "disqualified persons" may be subject to other penalties with respect to the transaction. Therefore, each investor in the Securities will be required or deemed to represent and warrant that either (i) it is not, and is not using the assets of, and throughout the holding and disposition of such Securities will not become or transfer its interest to, a plan subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, or an entity that is deemed to hold assets of any of the foregoing or a governmental, foreign or church plan which is subject to any federal, state, foreign or local law that is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or (ii) its purchase, holding and disposition of such Securities will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar federal,

state, foreign or local law) because such purchase, holding and disposition either (x) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (y) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all of the conditions of which are and will be satisfied upon the acquisition of, and throughout its holding and disposition of such Securities.

Any transfer in violation of the foregoing representations will be treated as having no force and effect and will be null and void *ab initio*, potentially causing loss to the investor purchasing in violation of these representations.

See "Certain ERISA Considerations" herein for a more detailed discussion of certain ERISA and related considerations with respect to an investment in the Securities by an employee benefit plan or similar plan or arrangement.

### **Relating to the Servicing Agreement**

#### *The Servicing Agreement May Be Amended Without the Consent of Holders of Securities Whether or Not Such Amendment Adversely Affects Holders of Securities*

The Issuer may, at the request of the Servicer, enter into an amendment or modification of the Servicing Agreement from time to time, without the consent of the Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not the interests of the Holders of the Securities are adversely affected thereby; *provided that*, with respect to any such amendment or modification, (a) the Rating Condition is satisfied and (b) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares have not objected in writing to such amendment or modification by delivering a notice to the Trustee prior to the relevant Objection Cut-Off Date. Holders of the Securities other than Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and Holders of the Preference Shares will have no ability to vote against any such amendment or modification. The ability of the Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and Holders of the Preference Shares to influence the amendment process is limited to the right of a Majority of either such Class to object as described above. To the extent that less than a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares object to the proposed amendment or modification, the Servicer may request that the Issuer enter into such amendment or modification and the Trustee consent thereto, without regard to the fact that certain Holders of the Securities may have objected to such proposed amendment or modification.

#### *The Servicing Agreement Cannot be Delegated Except to Entities Controlled by Certain Key Persons*

The Servicing Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, cannot be delegated by the Servicer, in whole or in part, except to any entity that (i) is controlled by any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers and (ii) is one in which any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers is involved in the day to day management and operations (and in any such case pursuant to an instrument of delegation in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer), without the prior written consent of the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and, notwithstanding any such consent, no delegation of obligations or duties by the Servicer (including, without limitation, to an entity described above) shall relieve the Servicer from any liability under the Servicing Agreement.

## **Relating to the Servicer**

### *The Issuer Will Depend on the Expertise Available to the Servicer and its Key Personnel*

The performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations depends heavily on the skills of the Servicer in analyzing, selecting and monitoring the Collateral Obligations. As a result, the Issuer will be highly dependent on the financial and servicing experience of certain professionals associated with the Servicer, none of whom is under a contractual obligation to the Issuer to continue to be associated with the Servicer for the term of this transaction. The loss of one or more of these individuals could have a material adverse effect on the performance of the Co-Issuers. Furthermore, the Servicer has informed the Issuer that these professionals are also actively involved in other activities and will not be able to devote all of their time to the Issuer's business and affairs. In addition, individuals not currently associated with the Servicer may become associated with the Servicer and the cash-flow performance of the Collateral Obligations may also depend on the financial and servicing experience of such individuals. See "The Servicing Agreement" and "The Servicer."

### *The Issuer Will Have Limited Control of the Administration and Amendment of Collateral Obligations*

The Servicer will cause the Issuer to exercise or enforce, or refrain from exercising or enforcing, its rights in connection with the Collateral Obligations or any related documents or will refuse amendments or waivers of the terms of any Collateral Obligation and related documents in accordance with its ordinary business practices as if the Servicer were administering the Collateral Obligations for its own account. The authority of the Servicer to cause the Issuer to change the terms of the Collateral Obligations will generally not be restricted by the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement. As a result, the Issuer will be relying on the Servicer's customary standards, policies and procedures with respect to the servicing of the Collateral Obligations. The Holders of the Securities and the Issuer will not have any right to compel the Issuer or the Servicer to take or refrain from taking any actions other than in accordance with its ordinary business practices.

In addition, when the Issuer holds a Participation, the Issuer generally will have no right to enforce compliance by the borrower with the loan or credit agreement or other instrument evidencing the related loan obligation, no rights of set-off against the borrower, no direct interest in the collateral supporting the loan obligation, and no right to vote with respect to amendments of, or waivers of defaults under, the loan obligation. An acquisition by the Issuer of a Synthetic Security related to a Loan involves many of the same considerations relevant to Participations. See "—Relating to the Collateral Obligations—Loans Involve Particular Risks" and "—Synthetic Securities Involve Particular Risks" below.

A modification that would increase the commitment of a lender, reduce the interest rate, or postpone the final maturity of an obligation under a participation agreement, or release all of the collateral for an obligation, generally requires the affirmative vote of the Participating Institution for a loan in which the Issuer owns a Participation, or of the Issuer for a Loan purchased by assignment, for the increase, reduction, or postponement to be binding. The exercise of remedies may also be subject to the vote of a specified percentage of the lenders under the loan obligation. The Servicer will have the authority to cause the Issuer to consent to certain amendments, waivers, or modifications to the Collateral Obligations requested by obligors or the lead agents for participation agreements relating to Participations (subject to operating procedures intended to reduce the risk that the Issuer would be deemed to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States for United States federal income tax purposes). The Servicer may, subject to the transaction documents, cause the Issuer to extend or defer the maturity, adjust the outstanding balance of any Collateral Obligation, reduce or forgive interest or fees, release material

collateral or guarantees, or otherwise amend, modify, or waive the terms of any related loan agreement, including its payment terms. The Servicer will make determinations in accordance with its servicing standards under the Servicing Agreement. Any amendment, waiver, or modification of a Collateral Obligation could postpone the expected maturity of the Notes or the expected redemption date of the Preference Shares, or reduce the likelihood of timely and complete payment of interest or principal under the Notes or a full return of an investment in the Preference Shares.

*Performance History of the Servicer May Not Be Indicative of Future Results*

Any prior results of the Servicer, and the persons associated with it or any other entity may not be indicative of the Issuer's future results. The nature of, and risks associated with, the Issuer's future assets may differ substantially from those assets historically associated with the Servicer, and the persons associated with it or any other entity. There can be no assurance that the Issuer's assets will perform as well as the past assets serviced or managed by the Servicer, and the persons associated with it or any other entity. Moreover, since the criteria that govern the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations do not govern the Servicer's activities generally, the acquisition and disposition of Collateral Obligations conducted in accordance with the criteria contained in the Indenture, and the results they yield, may differ substantially from other assets serviced or managed by the Servicer.

Other accounts, collateralized debt obligations or other funds managed or serviced by the Servicer that are similar to the Issuer ("**Other Debt Funds**") have been structured to comply with the exemption from registration under the Investment Company Act provided by Section 3(c)(7) thereunder, whereas the Issuer is also structured to comply with the exemption from registration provided by Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act and may in the future, subject to the conditions described herein, rely exclusively on such exemption from registration provided by Rule 3a-7. Rule 3a-7 requires certain additional limitations and restrictions on the buying and selling of assets of the Issuer that are not applicable to the assets of the Other Debt Funds relying on the Section 3(c)(7) exemption from registration. As a result, the Issuer's ability to react to changes in market value of the assets is more limited and the returns on the Issuer's assets and the Securities, including the returns on the Preference Shares, may not be comparable to, and may differ materially from, the performance of the Other Debt Funds.

Notwithstanding the inapplicability of the results obtained and expected to be obtained from the past activities of the Servicer, a period of increased volatility in market conditions, including interest rate environments, can have an adverse effect on the realized and unrealized returns to investors in the past products of the Servicer. There can be no assurance that current economic conditions and the effects of increased interest rate and corresponding price volatility will not adversely impact the investment returns ultimately realized by investors or continued compliance with, among other things, applicable coverage requirements described in this Offering Memorandum.

**Relating to the Collateral Obligations**

*In General, the Collateral Obligations Are Subject to Various Risks*

The Collateral Obligations are subject to credit, liquidity, and interest rate risks, among others. The Eligibility Criteria and the Collateral Quality Tests have been established to address certain assumed deficiencies in payment occasioned by defaults with respect to the Collateral Obligations. If any deficiencies exceed certain modeled scenarios, however, payments or distributions on the Securities could be adversely affected. To the extent that a default occurs with respect to any Collateral Obligation securing the Notes and the Issuer (on the advice of the Servicer) sells or otherwise disposes of the



Collateral Obligation, it is not likely that the proceeds of the sale or other disposition will be equal to the amount of principal and interest owing to the Issuer on the Collateral Obligation.

The value of the Collateral Obligations generally will fluctuate with, among other things, the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral Obligations and, with respect to Synthetic Securities, both the financial condition of the related Synthetic Security counterparties and the obligors on or issuers of the Reference Obligations, general economic conditions, the condition of certain financial markets, political events, developments or trends in any particular industry, and changes in prevailing interest rates.

The ability of the Issuer to sell Collateral Obligations before their maturity is subject to certain restrictions under the Indenture including those described under "Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations."

*Below Investment-Grade Obligations Involve Particular Risks*

A substantial amount of the Collateral Obligations will consist of loans, bonds and other obligations that are below investment grade, including high-yield loans and securities. Those Collateral Obligations will have greater credit and liquidity risk than investment-grade obligations. They are also often unsecured and may be subordinated to certain other obligations of their issuer. The lower rating of those Collateral Obligations reflects a greater possibility that adverse changes in the financial condition of an issuer or in general economic conditions or both may impair the ability of their issuer to make payments of principal or interest. These Collateral Obligations may be speculative.

Risks of below investment-grade Collateral Obligations may include (among others):

- (i) limited liquidity and secondary market support;
- (ii) in the case of fixed-rate high-yield debt securities, substantial market place volatility resulting from changes in prevailing interest rates;
- (iii) subordination to the prior claims of senior lenders and creditors;
- (iv) the operation of mandatory sinking fund or call and redemption provisions during periods of declining interest rates that could cause the Issuer to apply premature redemption proceeds in lower-yielding debt obligations;
- (v) the possibility that earnings of the below investment-grade issuer may be insufficient to meet its debt service; and
- (vi) the declining creditworthiness and potential for insolvency of a below investment-grade issuer during periods of rising interest rates and economic downturn.

An economic downturn or an increase in interest rates could severely disrupt the market for below investment-grade obligations and could adversely affect the value of outstanding below investment-grade obligations and the ability of their issuers to repay principal and interest.

Issuers that are below investment grade may be highly leveraged and may not have available to them more traditional methods of financing. The risk associated with obligations of below investment-grade issuers is generally greater than is the case with investment-grade issuers. For example, during an economic downturn or a sustained period of rising interest rates, below investment-grade issuers may be

more likely to experience financial stress, especially if they are highly leveraged. During those periods, timely service of debt obligations may also be adversely affected by specific issuer developments, or the issuer's inability to meet specific projected business forecasts or the unavailability of additional financing. The risk of loss from default by the issuer is significantly greater for the holders of below investment-grade obligations because those obligations may be unsecured and may be subordinated to obligations owed to other creditors of the issuer. Further, bankruptcy and similar laws applicable to issuers of the Collateral Obligations may limit the amount of any recovery in respect of a Collateral Obligation if its issuer is insolvent and may also adversely affect the timing of receipt of any recovery to which the Issuer may be entitled. In addition, the Issuer may incur additional expenses to the extent it is required to seek recovery upon a default on such an obligation or participate in its restructuring.

As a result of the limited liquidity of below investment-grade obligations, their prices have at times experienced significant and rapid decline when a substantial number of holders decided to sell. In addition, it may be difficult or impossible for the Issuer to dispose of certain below investment-grade obligations in a timely manner because there may be a thin trading market for them. Even if it is possible to dispose of such Collateral Obligations, it is unlikely that the proceeds of such disposition would equal the unpaid principal and interest thereof. To the extent that a secondary trading market for below investment-grade obligations does exist, it is generally not as liquid as the secondary market for highly rated obligations. Reduced secondary market liquidity may have an adverse impact on the Issuer's ability to dispose of particular Collateral Obligations in response to a specific economic event, such as a deterioration in the creditworthiness of the issuer of the Collateral Obligation.

All risks associated with the Issuer's purchase of such Collateral Obligations will be borne by the Holders of the Securities in reverse order of seniority, beginning with the Preference Shares as the most junior Class.

#### *Effect of Portfolio Diversification Limited for Junior Classes*

The Indenture will require that certain levels of diversification are maintained or improved in connection with purchases of Collateral Obligations. The Collateral Obligations are expected to consist primarily of below investment grade debt obligations. To the extent that below investment grade debt obligations as an asset class generally underperform or experience increased levels of credit losses or market volatility, the Collateral Obligations will likely experience credit losses and losses in connection with sales even with significant issuer and industry diversification. In addition, given the leveraged capital structure of the Issuer, any losses resulting from defaults and/or trading losses will be borne first by the Preference Shares, as the most junior Class. Because the value of the obligations of any single issuer or industry sector will represent a higher percentage of the issuance price, as the case may be, of the Preference Shares (or any other junior Class) than it represents in relation to the aggregate principal amount of the total portfolio, there can be no assurance that the diversification guidelines of the Indenture will be effective in minimizing losses on the junior Classes of Securities, particularly the Preference Shares.

#### *Loans Involve Particular Risks*

The Collateral Obligations will consist primarily of Dollar-denominated senior secured and senior unsecured loans, which are required by the Indenture to be obligations of corporations, partnerships, or other entities organized under the laws of the United States (or any of its states) or of foreign obligors meeting specified criteria, or Synthetic Securities the Reference Obligations of which are such loans. See "Security for the Notes—Collateral Obligations."

Loans may become non-performing for a variety of reasons. Non-performing loans may require substantial workout negotiations or restructuring that may entail, among other things, a substantial reduction in the interest rate or a substantial write-down of the principal of a loan. In addition, because of the unique and customized nature of a loan agreement and the private syndication of a loan, loans typically may not be purchased or sold as easily as publicly traded securities, and historically the trading volume in the bank term loan market has been small relative to the corporate bond market. Loans may encounter trading delays due to their unique and customized nature, and transfers may require the consent of an agent bank or borrower. Consequently, there can be no assurance that there will be any market for any Loan if the Issuer is required to sell or otherwise dispose of such Loan. Depending on the terms of the underlying loan documentation, consent of the borrower may be required for an assignment, and a purported assignee may not have any direct right to enforce compliance by the obligor with the terms of the loan agreement in the absence of this consent.

The Issuer may acquire interests in loans either directly (by assignment) or indirectly (by Participation or through Synthetic Securities). The Issuer may not originate any loans. The purchaser of an assignment of a loan obligation typically succeeds to all the rights and obligations of the Participating Institution and becomes a lender under the loan or credit agreement with respect to the debt obligation. In contrast, a Participation acquired by the Issuer in a portion of a loan obligation held by a Participating Institution or a security or other debt obligation typically results in a contractual relationship only with the Participating Institution, not with the borrower. The Issuer would have the right to receive payments of principal, interest, and any fees to which it is entitled under a Participation only from the Participating Institution and only upon receipt by the Participating Institution of those payments from the borrower. Participating Institutions commonly reserve the right to administer the Participations sold by them as they see fit (unless their actions constitute gross negligence or willful misconduct) and to amend the documentation evidencing the obligations in all respects. However, most participation agreements provide that the Participating Institutions may not vote in favor of any amendment, modification or waiver that forgives principal, interest or fees, reduces principal, interest or fees that are payable, postpones any payment of principal (whether a scheduled payment or a mandatory prepayment), interest or fees or releases any material guarantee or security without the consent of the participant (at least to the extent the participant would be affected by any such amendment, modification or waiver). Participating Institutions voting in connection with a potential waiver of a restrictive covenant may have interests different from those of the Issuer, and such Participating Institutions might not consider the interests of the Issuer in connection with their votes. In addition, many participation agreements that provide voting rights to the holder of the Participation further provide that if the holder does not vote in favor of amendments, modifications or waivers, the selling lender may repurchase such Participation at par. The Issuer will be subject to restrictions on the amount of Participations that may be acquired for inclusion in the Collateral. See "Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria."

Holders of Participations are subject to additional risks not applicable to a holder of a direct interest in a loan. In the event of the insolvency of the Participating Institution, under the laws of the United States and the various States thereof, a holder of a Participation may be treated as a general creditor of the Participating Institution and may not have any exclusive or senior claim with respect to the Participating Institution's interest in, or the collateral with respect to, the loan. Consequently, the holder of a Participation will be subject to the credit risk of the Participating Institution as well as of the borrower. Participants also often do not benefit from the collateral (if any) supporting the loans in which they have a participation interest because Participations often do not provide a purchaser with direct rights to enforce compliance by the borrower with the terms of the loan agreement or any rights of set-off against the borrower. The Servicer is not required, and does not expect, to perform independent credit analyses of the Participating Institutions.

Certain of the loans in the Issuer's portfolio may be unsecured or secured by collateral worth less than the outstanding balance of the loan. In addition to the general risks associated with loans described above, unsecured loans will not be secured by substantial collateral or any collateral and secured loans may be substantially under-secured. Without collateral and with materially inadequate collateral, the ability of the holder of the loan to recover amounts due from the borrower may be substantially limited.

*Recent Developments in the Loan Market.*

Recent developments in the loan market, in particular, in connection with the financing of leveraged buy-outs, have resulted in lenders making loans that do not require the borrower to maintain debt service or other financial ratios or that do not contain common restrictions on the ability of the borrower to change significantly its operations or to enter into other significant transactions that could affect its ability to repay such loans. A portion of the loans acquired by the Issuer (directly or through Participations) may consist of such loans and the Issuer may enter into Synthetic Securities referencing such borrower or such loans. Such loans may expose the lenders to greater credit risk than loans that contain more extensive covenants and may affect the lenders' ability to restructure loans or to mitigate potential losses and acquiring such loans or entering into Synthetic Securities referencing such borrower or such loan may subject the Issuer to greater credit risk.

*Risks Associated with Applying Proceeds of Dispositions*

The Issuer's income will decline if and when the Issuer applies the proceeds from matured, prepaid, sold or called Collateral Obligations into lower yielding instruments. A decline in income will affect the amount available for distributions on the Securities. Subject to criteria described herein, the Servicer will have discretion to use Principal Proceeds to purchase Collateral Obligations in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria and other requirements for the acquisition of Collateral Obligations described herein. The yield with respect to such Collateral Obligations will depend on, among other factors, interest rates available at the time, the availability of assets satisfying the Eligibility Criteria and acceptable to the Servicer, and market conditions related to leveraged Loans and high yield bonds in general. The need to satisfy the Eligibility Criteria and other requirements for the acquisition of Collateral Obligations described herein and identify acceptable assets may require the purchase of Collateral Obligations with a lower yield than those replaced, with different characteristics than those replaced (including, but not limited to, coupon, spread, maturity, call features and/or credit quality) or require that such funds be maintained in Eligible Investments pending such replacement of Collateral Obligations, which will further reduce the yield on the Collateral Obligations. Any decrease in the yield on the Collateral Obligations will have the effect of reducing the amounts available to make distributions on the Securities, especially the most junior Class of Securities. There can be no assurance that in the event Collateral Obligations are sold, prepaid, called, or mature, yields on Collateral Obligations that are available and eligible for purchase will be at the same levels as those replaced, that the characteristics of any Collateral Obligations purchased will be the same as those replaced or as to the timing of the purchase of any such Collateral Obligations.

Leveraged Loans and privately placed high yield bonds are not as easily (or as quickly) purchased or sold as publicly traded securities for a variety of reasons, including confidentiality requirements with respect to obligor information, the customized non-uniform nature of loan agreements and private syndication. The reduced liquidity and lower volume of trading in such debt obligations, in addition to restrictions on purchase represented by the Eligibility Criteria, could result in periods of time during which the Issuer is not able to fully apply its cash to purchase Collateral Obligations. The longer the period before the application of cash to purchase Collateral Obligations, the greater the adverse impact will be on aggregate Interest Proceeds collected and distributed by the Issuer, including on the Securities, especially the most junior Class of Securities, thereby resulting in lower yields than could have been

obtained if proceeds were immediately applied. In addition, leveraged Loans are often prepayable by the borrowers with no, or limited, penalty or premium. As a result, leveraged Loans generally prepay more frequently than other corporate obligations of the same borrower. Senior leveraged Loans usually have shorter terms than more junior obligations and often require mandatory repayments from excess cash flow, asset dispositions and offerings of debt and/or equity securities. The increased levels of prepayments and amortization of leveraged Loans increase the associated replacement risk on the Collateral Obligations which risk will first be borne by Holders of the Securities, beginning with the Preference Shares as the most junior Class.

#### *Defaults and Market Volatility*

To the extent that a default occurs with respect to any Collateral Obligation and the Issuer sells or otherwise disposes of that Collateral Obligation, it is likely that the proceeds will be less than its unpaid principal, interest or its purchase price. This could have a material adverse effect on the payments on the Securities. The Issuer also may incur additional expenses to the extent it is required to seek recovery after a default or participate in the restructuring of an obligation. Even in the absence of a default with respect to any of the Collateral Obligations, the market value of the Collateral Obligation at any time will vary, and may vary substantially, from the price at which that Collateral Obligation was initially purchased and from the principal amount of such Collateral Obligation, due to market volatility, changes in relative credit quality, general economic conditions, the level of interest rates, changes in exchange rates, the supply of below investment grade debt obligations and other factors that are difficult to predict. In addition, the Indenture places significant restrictions on the Servicer's ability to buy and sell Collateral Obligations which restrictions may be greater if amendments are made to assure compliance with Rule 3a-7. See "—The Servicer May Cause the Issuer to Amend the Indenture to Assure Compliance with Rule 3a-7 Without the Consent of the Holders of the Securities in a Manner that May Adversely Affect the Holders of Securities".

The market price of below investment grade debt obligations may from time to time experience significant volatility. During certain periods, this market has experienced significant volatility with respect to market prices, a significant increase in issues trading at distressed levels, a significant increase in default rates, and a significant decrease in recovery rates. No assurance can be given that volatility in the below investment grade debt market will not continue in the future. Such volatility can adversely impact the liquidity, market prices and other performance characteristics of leveraged Loans and high yield bonds.

#### *Structured Finance Obligations Involve Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of Structured Finance Obligations. Structured Finance Obligations may present risks similar to those of the other types of Collateral Obligations which the Issuer may purchase and, in fact, the risks may be of greater significance in the case of Structured Finance Obligations. Moreover, purchasing Structured Finance Obligations may entail a variety of unique risks. Among other risks, Structured Finance Obligations may be subject to prepayment risk, credit risk, liquidity risk, market risk, structural risk, legal risk and interest rate risk (which may be exacerbated if the interest rate payable on a Structured Finance Obligation changes based on multiples of changes in interest rates or inversely to changes in interest rates). In addition, certain Structured Finance Obligations (particularly subordinated collateralized bond obligations) may provide that non-payment of interest is not an event of default in certain circumstances and the holders of the securities will therefore not have available to them any associated default remedies. During the period of non-payment, unpaid interest will generally be capitalized and added to the outstanding principal balance of the related security. Furthermore, the performance of a Structured Finance Obligation will be affected by a variety of factors, including its priority in the capital structure of its issuer, the availability of any credit enhancement, the

level and timing of payments and recoveries on and the characteristics of the underlying receivables, loans, or other assets that are being securitized, bankruptcy remoteness of those assets from the originator or transferor, the adequacy of and ability to realize on any related collateral, and the skill of the manager or the servicer of the Structured Finance Obligation in managing or servicing securitized assets. The price of a Structured Finance Obligation, if required to be sold, may be subject to certain market and liquidity risks for securities of its type at the time of sale. In addition, Structured Finance Obligations may involve initial and ongoing expenses above the costs associated with the related direct purchases.

*Synthetic Securities Involve Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of Synthetic Securities the Reference Obligations of which are Loans, Structured Finance Obligations or High-Yield Bonds. Although it is not expected that any of the Collateral Obligations will consist of Synthetic Securities as of the Closing Date, after the Closing Date the Issuer may enter into Synthetic Securities with a notional amount of up to 15.0% of the Maximum Amount. However, the ability of the Issuer to enter into Synthetic Securities up to such extent may be limited to the extent the Issuer purchases and sells assets in accordance with criteria intended to be consistent with Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act.

Acquiring these types of assets through the purchase of Synthetic Securities present risks in addition to those inherently associated with direct purchases of such assets. With respect to Synthetic Securities, the Issuer will usually have a contractual relationship only with the counterparty of the relevant Synthetic Security, and not the reference obligor on the Reference Obligation. The Issuer will have no right to enforce compliance by the reference obligor with the Reference Obligation nor any rights of set-off against the reference obligor, nor have any voting or other consensual rights of ownership with respect to the Reference Obligation. The Issuer will not directly benefit from any collateral supporting the Reference Obligation and will not have the benefit of the remedies that would normally be available to a holder of the Reference Obligation.

In addition, in the event of the insolvency of any Synthetic Security Counterparty, the Issuer will be treated as a general creditor of such counterparty and will not have any claim of title with respect to the Reference Obligation. Consequently, the Issuer will be subject to the credit risk of the counterparty as well as that of the reference obligor and concentrations of Synthetic Securities entered into with any one counterparty will subject the Securities to an additional degree of risk with respect to defaults by that counterparty. One or more Affiliates of the Initial Purchasers may act as counterparty with respect to all or a portion of the Synthetic Securities, which relationship may create certain conflicts of interest. See "—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Initial Purchasers" below. In addition, Synthetic Securities may involve initial and ongoing expenses above the costs associated with the related direct acquisitions. The Issuer will be subject to restrictions on the amount of Synthetic Securities it may own at any one time.

*Some of the Collateral Obligations Will Be Illiquid*

Some of the Collateral Obligations purchased by the Issuer will have no, or only a limited, trading market. The Issuer's acquisition of illiquid Collateral Obligations may restrict its ability to dispose of Collateral Obligations in a timely fashion and for a fair price, as well as its ability to take advantage of market opportunities, although the Issuer is generally prohibited by the Indenture from selling Collateral Obligations except under certain limited circumstances described under "Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations." Illiquid Collateral Obligations may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid assets. The market for below investment grade debt obligations may become illiquid from time to time as a result of adverse market conditions, regulatory developments or other circumstances. In addition, the Issuer may purchase privately placed Collateral

Obligations that may or may not be freely transferable under the laws of the applicable jurisdiction or due to contractual restrictions on resale, and even if those privately placed Collateral Obligations are transferable, the prices realized from their sale could be less than those originally paid by the Issuer or less than what may be considered their fair value.

*Insolvency Considerations With Respect to Issuers of Collateral Obligations May Affect the Issuer's Rights*

Various laws enacted for the protection of creditors may apply to the Collateral Obligations. If, in a lawsuit brought by a creditor or representative of creditors of an obligor under a Collateral Obligation (such as a trustee in bankruptcy), a court were to find that the obligor did not receive fair consideration or reasonably equivalent value for incurring the indebtedness evidenced by the Collateral Obligation and, after giving effect to the indebtedness and the use of the proceeds thereof, the obligor (i) was insolvent, (ii) was engaged in a business for which the remaining assets of the obligor constituted unreasonably small capital or (iii) intended to incur, or believed that it would incur, debts beyond its ability to pay them as they mature, the court could determine to invalidate, in whole or in part, the indebtedness as a fraudulent conveyance, to subordinate the indebtedness to existing or future creditors of the obligor, or to recover amounts previously paid by the obligor in satisfaction of the indebtedness. There can be no assurance as to what standard a court would apply to determine whether the obligor was "insolvent" or that, regardless of the method of valuation, a court would not determine that the obligor was "insolvent," in each case, after giving effect to the incurrence of the Collateral Obligation and the use of its proceeds. In addition, in the event of the insolvency of an obligor under a Collateral Obligation, payments made on the Collateral Obligation may be subject to avoidance as a "preference" if made within a certain period before insolvency (which may be as long as approximately one year).

In general, if payments on a Collateral Obligation are avoidable, whether as fraudulent conveyances or preferences, the payments can be recaptured either from the initial recipient (such as the Issuer) or from subsequent transferees of the payments (such as the Holders of the Securities). To the extent that any payments are recaptured from the Issuer, the resulting reduction in payments on the Securities will be borne by the Holders of the Securities beginning with the Preference Shares as the most junior Class of Securities. A court in a bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding would be able to direct the recapture of any payment from a Holder of the Securities to the extent that the court has jurisdiction over the Holder or its assets. Since there is no judicial precedent relating to structured securities such as the Securities, there can be no assurance that a Holder of Securities will be able to avoid recapture on this basis.

The preceding discussion is based on principles of United States federal and state laws. Insofar as Collateral Obligations that are obligations of non-United States obligors are concerned, the laws of certain foreign jurisdictions may provide for avoidance remedies under factual circumstances similar to, or broader or narrower than, those described above, with consequences that may or may not be analogous to those described above under United States federal and state laws.

Collateral Obligations consisting of obligations of non-U.S. issuers may be subject to various laws enacted in their home countries for the protection of debtors or creditors, which could adversely affect the Issuer's ability to recover amounts owed. These insolvency considerations will differ depending on the country in which each issuer is located and may differ depending on whether the issuer is a non-sovereign or a sovereign entity.

*International Collateral Obligations Involve Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of obligations of obligors Domiciled outside the United States. Acquiring assets outside the United States may involve greater risks than acquiring assets in the United States. These risks may include: less publicly available information; varying levels of governmental regulation and supervision; and the difficulty of enforcing legal rights in a foreign jurisdiction and uncertainties as to the status, interpretation and application of laws. Moreover, foreign companies may be subject to accounting, auditing, and financial reporting standards, practices, and requirements different from those applicable to U.S. companies.

There generally is less governmental supervision and regulation of exchanges, brokers and issuers in foreign countries than there is in the United States. For example, there may be no comparable provisions under certain foreign laws with respect to insider trading and similar investor protection securities laws that apply with respect to securities transactions consummated in the United States.

Foreign markets also have different clearance and settlement procedures, and in certain markets there have been times when settlements have failed to keep pace with the volume of securities transactions, making it difficult to conduct transactions. Delays in settlement could result in periods when assets of the Issuer are unapplied and no return is earned on them. The inability of the Issuer to make intended purchases of Collateral Obligations due to settlement problems or the risk of intermediary counterparty failures could cause the Issuer to miss opportunities to acquire Collateral Obligations. The inability to dispose of a Collateral Obligation due to settlement problems could result either in losses to the Issuer due to subsequent declines in the value of the Collateral Obligation or, if the Issuer has entered into a contract to sell the security, could result in possible liability to the purchaser. Transaction costs of buying and selling foreign securities, including brokerage, tax, and custody costs, also are generally higher than those involved in domestic transactions. Furthermore, foreign financial markets, while generally growing in volume, have, for the most part, substantially less volume than U.S. markets, and securities of many foreign companies are less liquid and their prices more volatile than securities of comparable domestic companies.

In certain foreign countries there is the possibility of expropriation, nationalization, or confiscatory taxation; limitations on the convertibility of currency or the removal of securities, property, or other assets of the Issuer; political, economic, or social instability; or adverse diplomatic developments, each of which could have an adverse effect on the Issuer's purchase of Collateral Obligations in the foreign countries (which may make it more difficult to pay Dollar-denominated obligations such as the Collateral Obligations). The economies of individual non-U.S. countries may also differ favorably or unfavorably from the U.S. economy in such respects as growth of gross domestic product, rate of inflation, volatility of currency exchange rates, depreciation, capital reinvestment, resource self-sufficiency and balance of payments position.

*Lender Liability Considerations and Equitable Subordination Can Affect the Issuer's Rights with Respect to Collateral Obligations*

In recent years, a number of judicial decisions in the United States have upheld the right of borrowers to sue lenders and bondholders on the basis of various evolving legal theories (collectively termed "**lender liability**"). Generally, lender liability is founded on the premise that a lender has violated a duty (whether implied or contractual) of good faith and fair dealing owed to the debtor or has assumed a degree of control over the debtor resulting in the creation of a fiduciary duty owed to the debtor or its other creditors or shareholders. Because of the nature of the Collateral Obligations, the Issuer may be subject to allegations of lender liability. In addition, under common law principles that in some cases form the basis for lender liability claims, a court may elect to subordinate the claim of the offending



lender to the claims of the disadvantaged creditors, a remedy called "equitable subordination," if a lender: (i) intentionally takes an action that results in the undercapitalization of a borrower to the detriment of other creditors of the borrower; (ii) engages in other inequitable conduct to the detriment of the other creditors; (iii) engages in fraud with respect to, or makes misrepresentations to, the other creditors; or (iv) uses its influence as a lender to dominate or control a borrower to the detriment of other creditors of the borrower.

Because the Collateral Obligations are primarily Loans, the Issuer may be subject to claims from creditors of an obligor that Collateral Obligations issued by the obligor that are held by the Issuer should be equitably subordinated. However, the Servicer does not intend to engage in conduct that would form the basis for a successful cause of action based on lender liability or the equitable subordination doctrine. Nonetheless, no assurances can be given that actions taken in good faith by the Servicer will not result in losses to issuers of Collateral Obligations, and that the Issuer will not be liable for any such losses. Furthermore, the Issuer and the Servicer may be unable to control the conduct of lenders under a loan syndication agreement requiring less than a unanimous vote, yet the Issuer may be subject to lender liability or equitable subordination for such conduct.

The preceding discussion is based on principles of United States federal and state laws. Insofar as Collateral Obligations that are obligations of non-United States obligors are concerned, the laws of certain foreign jurisdictions may impose liability on lenders or bondholders under factual circumstances similar to, or broader or narrower than, those described above, with consequences that may or may not be analogous to those described above under United States federal and state laws.

*Notes May Be Affected by Interest Rate Risks, Including Mismatches Between the Notes and the Collateral Obligations*

The Notes bear interest at a rate based on LIBOR as determined on the second Business Day prior to the first day of the relevant Interest Period. The Collateral Obligations will consist primarily of obligations that bear interest at floating rates, which floating rates may be different than the floating rates on the Floating Rate Notes. Accordingly, the Notes are subject to interest rate risk to the extent that there is an interest rate mismatch between the rates at which interest accrues on the Notes and the rates at which interest accrues on the Collateral. In addition, there may be a timing mismatch between the Floating Rate Notes and the Floating Rate Obligations as the interest on the Floating Rate Obligations may adjust more or less frequently, on different dates and based on different indices than the interest rates on the Floating Rate Notes. Furthermore, any payments of principal of or interest on Collateral received during a Due Period will (except to a limited extent specified in the Indenture) be held in Eligible Investments maturing not later than the Business Day immediately preceding the next Payment Date. There is no requirement that Eligible Investments bear interest at LIBOR or a similar rate, and the interest rates available for Eligible Investments are inherently uncertain. As a result of these mismatches, an increase or decrease in LIBOR for the relevant maturity could adversely affect the ability of the Issuer to make interest payments on the Notes (including due to a rise or a decline in the value of previously issued Collateral Obligations or other Collateral that bear interest at a fixed rate as LIBOR decreases or increases, as applicable) and to make distributions or final distributions on the Preference Shares. To mitigate a portion of the interest rate mismatch, the Issuer may enter into Hedge Agreements that are (in the case of Hedge Agreements entered into on or after the Closing Date) subject to a Rating Confirmation. However, there can be no assurance that the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, together with the Hedge Agreements, will in all circumstances generate sufficient Interest Proceeds to make timely payments of interest on the Notes. Moreover, the benefits of any Hedge Agreements may not be achieved in the event of the early termination of the Hedge Agreements, including termination upon the failure of the related Hedge Counterparty to perform its obligations under the Hedge Agreement. Although any Hedge Counterparty will be a highly rated institution at the time of entering into the applicable Hedge Agreement, there can be

no assurance that it will meet its obligations under the applicable Hedge Agreement. In addition, the actual principal balance of any rate mismatch between the Collateral Obligations and the Notes may not exactly match the notional balance under any Hedge Agreement. All risks associated with any rate or notional balance mismatch will be borne by the Holders of the Securities, beginning with the Preference Shares as the most junior Class. See "Security for the Notes—Hedge Agreements."

The Servicer may direct the Issuer to reduce the notional amount of, or otherwise adjust the terms of, any Hedge Agreement outstanding at any time, subject, in the case of any reduction or adjustment made on or after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, to obtaining a Rating Confirmation.

*The Issuer Has the Right to Engage in Securities Lending, which Involves Counterparty Risks and Other Risks*

The Collateral Obligations may be loaned for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) that have, or are guaranteed by entities that have, long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or a guarantor with those ratings at the time of the loan, of at least "A1" (and not "A1" but on credit watch with negative implications) and "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A" from S&P. See "Security for the Notes—Securities Lending." The loans must be secured by cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America and maintained as provided in the related Securities Lending Agreement. However, if the borrower of a loaned Collateral Obligation defaults on its obligation to return the loaned Collateral Obligation because of insolvency or otherwise, the Issuer could experience delays and costs in gaining access to the collateral posted by the borrower (and in extreme circumstances could be restricted from selling the collateral). If the borrower defaults, the Issuer could suffer a loss to the extent that the realized value of the cash or securities securing the obligation of the borrower to return a loaned Collateral Obligation (less expenses) is less than the amount required to purchase the Collateral Obligation in the open market. This shortfall could be due to, among other factors, discrepancies between the mark-to-market and actual transaction prices for the loaned Collateral Obligations arising from limited liquidity or availability of the loaned Collateral Obligations and, in extreme circumstances, the loaned Collateral Obligations being unavailable at any price.

The Rating Agencies may downgrade any of the Notes if a borrower of a Collateral Obligation or, if applicable, the entity guaranteeing the performance of the borrower has been downgraded by one of the Rating Agencies such that the Issuer is not in compliance with the Securities Lending Counterparty rating requirements. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Initial Purchasers or Affiliates of the Servicer, which may create certain conflicts of interest. See "—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer" and "—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Initial Purchaser" below.

*A Substantial Amount of Collateral Obligations Was Acquired Before the Closing Date, and the Terms of the Acquisition May Adversely Affect the Issuer*

In anticipation of the issuance of the Securities, one of the Initial Purchasers (the "**Pre-Closing Participant**") is financing the acquisition of Collateral Obligations by the Issuer during an accumulation period before the Closing Date (the "**Accumulation Period**") pursuant to a warehousing and participation agreement. The participations acquired by the Pre-Closing Participant will be repurchased by the Issuer on the Closing Date to the extent not yet acquired by prior thereto. Furthermore, in return for bearing the risk of loss on the Collateral Obligations acquired prior to the Closing Date, the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates will each be entitled to a share of the interest and any fees and commissions (net of any other amounts payable to the Pre-Closing Participant in connection with its financing of the acquisition of

Collateral Obligations) paid by the obligors under such obligations or accrued on such obligations, from the time of purchase through the Closing Date, *plus* a share of the amount by which any realized net gains exceed any realized net losses on Collateral Obligations sold or fully repaid during the Accumulation Period, in each case, in proportion to the percentage of Preference Shares each such party purchases on the Closing Date. There can be no assurance that the market value of any such Collateral Obligation on the Closing Date will be equal to or greater than the price paid by the Issuer during the Accumulation Period, and any net losses, and, except to the extent described above, net gains, experienced in respect of any such Collateral Obligation during the period in which they were warehoused will be for the Issuer's account. The market value of a Collateral Obligation at any time will vary, and may vary substantially, from the price at which that Collateral Obligation was initially purchased and from the principal amount of such Collateral Obligation, due to market volatility, changes in relative credit quality, general economic conditions, the level of interest rates, changes in exchange rates, the supply of below investment grade debt obligations and other factors that are difficult to predict. See "*—Defaults and Market Volatility*"

### **Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest**

#### *In General, the Transaction Will Involve Various Potential and Actual Conflicts of Interest*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise from the overall servicing, advisory and other activities of the Servicer and its Affiliates and from the conduct by the Initial Purchasers and their respective Affiliates of other transactions with the Issuer, including acting as counterparty with respect to Hedge Agreements, Securities Lending Agreements, and Synthetic Securities. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

#### *The Holders of the Class II Preference Shares Control Appointment and Removal of Directors of the Issuer*

HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase all of Class II Preference Shares on the Closing Date. Class II Preference Shares will control the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer as long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is higher than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date. The Class I Preference Shares will have no voting rights with respect to the appointment or removal of directors. If the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date does not exceed the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date, the Issuer Ordinary Shares will be entitled to vote with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer. As of the Closing Date, the Class II Preference Shares Outstanding will constitute a Majority of the Preference Shares Outstanding. Any transfer of Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to any Person other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries will require redesignation by the Share Registrar of such Class II Preference Shares as Class I Preference Shares. If at any time, due to such redesignation upon sale of any Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding is reduced so that it is equal to or lower than the number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding, Class II Preference Shares will automatically become non-voting shares and will no longer be entitled to vote with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer (and, in such case, the directors will be appointed in accordance with the definition of "Board of Directors").

As long as Class II Preference Shares retain the voting rights with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer, HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries that have purchased such Class II Preference Shares will be able to appoint and remove any of the directors. The directors

appointed by HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries may be Affiliates of HFP or the Servicer. No Holders of the Securities will have any right to vote with respect to such appointments and removals of directors of the Issuer other than the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares for as long as Class II Preference Shares retain the voting rights with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer.

*The Holders of the Class II Preference Shares May Control or Prevent Removal of the Servicer, Appointment of a Replacement Servicer and Optional Redemption or Refinancing of the Notes*

The Class II Preference Shares to be purchased by HFP or any of its subsidiaries at closing are expected to constitute a Majority of the Preference Shares. As long as HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries hold a Majority of the Preference Shares, HFP and such subsidiaries will hold the controlling vote on any decision to be made under the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement that requires a Majority of the Preference Shares (and does not exclude from voting Preference Shares held by the Servicer or its Affiliates) and will hold a blocking position with respect to any decision that requires a higher percentage of Preference Shares.

Pursuant to the Servicing Agreement, such agreement may be terminated and the Servicer may be removed by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee (acting at the direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes) or by a Super Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding Preference Shares held by the Servicer, any of its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority other than, with respect to the Class II Preference Shares, HFP or any of its subsidiaries; *provided that*, with respect to the voting authority of the Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote will not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) (each such non-excluded Preference Share, a "**Voting Preference Share**"), in each case for "cause" upon 10 days' prior written notice. Further, the Issuer's ability to appoint a successor servicer is subject to, among other things, the written direction of a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares. As such, if the Class II Preference Shares continue to constitute a Majority of Preference Shares, HFP and any of its subsidiaries that hold Class II Preference Shares will collectively control the ability of the Holders of the Preference Shares to both remove the Servicer for "cause" and appoint the Servicer's replacement. Since HFP is managed by the Servicer, HFP may have a conflict of interest and may be less likely to exercise these rights than the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares. In such case, should the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares believe that "cause" exists to remove the Servicer, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may prevent their ability to do so.

The Holders of a Majority of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares may give written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Servicer directing an optional redemption of the Notes upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period. After such Notes are retired, the Holders of a Majority or of all of the Preference Shares (depending on the form of redemption) may effect an optional redemption of the Preference Shares. As a result of the foregoing, and so long as they hold a controlling block of Preference Shares, the vote of HFP and/or its applicable subsidiaries will be required to redeem the Securities. As an entity managed by the Servicer, HFP may once again have interests that differ from those of the Class I Preference Shares. Should the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares seek to redeem the Securities, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may prevent their ability to do so.

In addition, at any time after the Non-Call Period, upon a proposal by the Servicer, the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares may consent to a redemption of any Class of Notes pursuant to a

Refinancing. As a result of the foregoing, and so long as they hold a controlling block of Preference Shares, the vote of HFP and/or its applicable subsidiaries will be required for such Refinancing. If the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares seek a redemption of Notes pursuant to Refinancing, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares could prevent their ability to achieve this.

*The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise from the overall activities of the Servicer, its Affiliates and the subsidiaries of HFP. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

On the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares directly from the Issuer and all or a portion of the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes and (ii) the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates is expected to purchase certain of the Class I Preference Shares and all or a portion of the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes. The Initial Purchasers will not be acting as Initial Purchasers with respect to such Class II Preference Shares purchased by HFP or any of HFP's subsidiaries. On the Closing Date, the Servicer will be reimbursed by the Issuer for certain of its expenses incurred in connection with the organization of the Issuer (including legal fees and expenses). In addition, a broker-dealer Affiliate of the Servicer may receive a fee for placing certain of the Securities.

Conflicts of interest may arise for the Servicer with respect to its obligations to the Issuer from the overall activities of the Servicer, its Affiliates and the subsidiaries of HFP, for the accounts of its other clients. For example, the Servicer, its Affiliates and their respective clients and the subsidiaries of HFP may acquire loans, securities, and other obligations that would be appropriate for inclusion in the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations, as well as in loans, securities, and other obligations that are senior to, or have interests different from or adverse to, assets that are pledged to secure the Notes. Furthermore, Affiliates of the Servicer may serve as general partners or managers of special-purpose entities organized to issue other collateralized loan obligations ("CLOs") secured primarily by corporate loans and collateralized debt obligations ("CDOs") secured by corporate debt obligations or asset backed securities. The Servicer and its Affiliates may also have ongoing relationships with, render services to, or engage in transactions with, companies whose loan obligations or securities are pledged to secure the Notes and may now or in the future own (as portfolio assets or otherwise) loan obligations or equity or debt securities issued by issuers of or obligors on, Relevant Obligations or other Collateral. An Affiliate of the Servicer may earn fees with respect to financial advisory services rendered to companies in connection with workouts or the subsequent restructuring of such companies. Such fees and advice may continue for a period of time after any such workout or restructure. The Issuer may own an interest in the securities of such companies. The Servicer will endeavor to resolve conflicts with respect to opportunities in a manner that it deems equitable to the extent possible under the prevailing facts and circumstances.

The Servicer and its Affiliates may possess information relating to issuers of Relevant Obligations or other Collateral that (i) may constrain the Issuer's asset acquisition as a consequence of the Servicer's inability to use such information for asset acquisition purposes or otherwise to take actions that would be in the best of interests of the Issuer or (ii) is not known to the employees of the Servicer responsible for monitoring the Collateral and performing the other obligations of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement. The Servicer, its Affiliates and their respective clients and the subsidiaries of HFP may at certain times be simultaneously seeking to purchase or dispose of assets for the respective accounts of the Issuer, any similar entity for which it serves as manager or advisor, and for its clients or Affiliates.

Neither the Servicer nor any of its Affiliates has any affirmative obligation to offer any assets to the Issuer or to inform the Issuer of any assets before offering any assets to other funds or accounts that the Servicer or any of its Affiliates manage or service. Furthermore, the Servicer may be bound by affirmative obligations in the future, whereby the Servicer is obligated to offer certain assets to funds or accounts that it manages or services before or without the Servicer offering those assets to the Issuer.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer will have received from the Servicer such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval will not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Servicer, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the United States Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended (the "**Advisers Act**"). The Servicing Agreement also provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Servicer, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Advisers Act.

The Servicer currently serves as the servicer or portfolio manager for a number of special purpose vehicles that have issued securities secured by or referencing collateral consisting of assets similar to the Relevant Obligations, which may create conflicts in allocating its time and services among the Issuer and the Servicer's other accounts. The Servicer and its Affiliates and the subsidiaries of HFP may own equity or other securities of issuers of or obligors on Collateral Obligations or other Collateral and may have provided and may provide in the future, advisory and other services to issuers of Collateral. In addition, the Servicer and its Affiliates may act as the Securities Lending Counterparty under any Securities Lending Agreement entered into by the Issuer.

The Servicer may resign at any time and may be removed for cause by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee (acting at the direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes) or by a Super Majority of the Voting Preference Shares. Upon the resignation or removal of the Servicer, the Issuer, at the written direction of a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares, may appoint a replacement servicer if (x) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes held by the Servicer, its Affiliates or any account over which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries; *provided* that, with respect to the voting authority of Notes owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote will not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Trustee by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) (each such non-excluded Note, a "**Voting Note**") or (y) a Majority of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single Class) do not object to the replacement servicer. See "The Servicing Agreement." Securities held by the Servicer, its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries) will have no voting rights with respect to any vote in connection with removal of the Servicer for "cause" and appointment of a replacement servicer and will be deemed not to be outstanding in connection with any vote to remove the Servicer for "cause" and to appoint a replacement servicer; *provided* that, with respect to the voting authority of Class II Preference Shares or Notes owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote will be determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such

subsidiary) of HFP or such subsidiary. Except to the extent specified otherwise, Securities held by the Servicer, its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority at the time of such vote will have voting rights with respect to all other matters as to which the Holders of the Securities are entitled to vote, including any vote to direct an Optional Redemption or a Refinancing. See "The Servicing Agreement", "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption" and "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Redemption by Refinancing."

On the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares and all or a portion of the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes and (ii) Highland Capital or one or more of its Affiliates (other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries) are expected to purchase certain of the Class I Preference Shares and all or a portion of the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes. In addition, the Servicer or its Affiliates may also acquire Securities upon the occurrence of an Amendment Buy-Out or a Maturity Extension or Notes upon the occurrence of a Refinancing as described herein. To the extent that the interests of the Holders of the Notes differ from the interests of the Holders of the Preference Shares, the holding of Preference Shares by the Servicer or its Affiliates may create additional conflicts of interest.

The Servicer will be entitled to receive the Senior Servicing Fee, the Subordinated Servicing Fee and the Supplemental Servicing Fee, as further described herein. The structure of such fees may cause the Servicer to direct the Issuer to purchase more speculative Collateral Obligations than it would otherwise acquire in the absence of such performance based compensation. See "The Servicing Agreement."

In addition to acting as Servicer to the Issuer, Highland Capital will act as manager for HFP, which will, on the Closing Date, purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares. Because Highland Capital will receive both a Servicing Fee from the Issuer for servicing the Collateral and a management fee from HFP for managing HFP's assets, which will include the Class II Preference Shares (and therefore a residual interest in the Collateral), Highland Capital may, at its discretion, waive a portion of its Servicing Fees from the Issuer or may elect to receive such Servicing Fees in their entirety. Accordingly, the Servicer may elect to waive a portion (or all) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event such amount will be distributed by the Issuer to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments; *provided* that with respect to the Payment Date in May 2008 such Class II Preference Share Special Payments will, at a minimum, include amounts that would otherwise constitute a portion of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Closing Date through February 3, 2008. The Class II Preference Shares and the Class I Preference Shares will vote together as a single class. Receipt of Servicing Fees in the form of dividends on Class II Preference Shares may cause HFP to have different incentives from the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares.

*The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Initial Purchasers*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise from the overall activities of the Initial Purchasers and their Affiliates. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

The Initial Purchasers will receive certain fees for arranging and structuring the transaction and placing the Securities pursuant to an engagement letter entered into by the Initial Purchasers with the Servicer.

The Initial Purchasers and their Affiliates are involved in a wide range of commercial banking, investment banking and other activities (including investment management, corporate finance and securities issuing, trading and research) from which conflicting interests or duties may arise. Thus, the

Initial Purchasers and their Affiliates may have had in the past and may in the future have business relationships and dealings with one or more issuers of the Relevant Obligations and their Affiliates and may own equity or debt securities issued by such issuers or their Affiliates. It is expected that the Initial Purchasers and/or their Affiliates may have acted as agent on a syndicated loan facility relating to Relevant Obligations, placed or underwritten and may in the future place or underwrite certain of the Relevant Obligations at original issuance, may own or may in the future own equity or other securities of issuers of or obligors on Relevant Obligations or will have provided and may in the future provide investment banking services, advisory, banking and other services to issuers of Relevant Obligations and may have received or may in the future receive compensation for such services. In addition, the Initial Purchasers and their Affiliates may buy securities from and sell securities to an issuer of Relevant Obligations or its Affiliates for its own account or for the accounts of its customers. The Initial Purchasers and their Affiliates may also have provided and in the future may provide commercial or investment banking or other services to the Servicer and its Affiliates.

The Initial Purchasers and their Affiliates may be actively engaged in purchases and sales of the same securities or loans as owned by the Issuer. Such purchases and sales may be on terms different from those made on behalf of the Issuer. Subject to applicable law, either of the Initial Purchasers or any of their respective Affiliates, as a principal or through one of the investment funds that it manages, may purchase or sell the securities of, or otherwise invest in or finance or provide investment banking, advisory and other services to, companies in which the Issuer has an interest or to the Servicer, including one or more of the issuers of Relevant Obligations and one or more of such issuers may be or may become controlled by such Initial Purchaser or its Affiliates. The Initial Purchasers and their Affiliates may, or may in the future, also have a proprietary interest in, and may manage, or advise or provide services to other accounts or investment funds that have investment objectives similar or dissimilar to those of the Issuer and/or which engage in transactions in, the same types of securities as the Issuer. As a result, the Initial Purchasers and their Affiliates may, or may in the future, possess information relating to obligors on or issuers of Relevant Obligations which is not known to the Servicer or the Issuer. Neither of the Initial Purchasers and none of their Affiliates are under any obligation to share any investment opportunity, idea or strategy with the Servicer or the Issuer or to utilize for the Issuer's benefit any non-public information acquired by it or any of its Affiliates in the course of providing services to any other person, engaging in any transaction (on its own account or otherwise) or otherwise carrying on its business. As a result, the Initial Purchasers and their Affiliates may, or may in the future, compete with the Issuer for appropriate securities or loans to purchase and will be under no duty or obligation to share such opportunities with the Issuer. The Initial Purchasers or their Affiliates may act as a placement agent and/or initial purchaser in other transactions involving issues of collateralized debt obligations and other similar portfolios managed by other investment managers, and may provide financing for the accumulation of leveraged loans and high yield bonds as collateral for such transactions. The Initial Purchasers are not obligated to make any particular securities or loans available to the Issuer or the Servicer, and may allocate such securities or loans among its various customer relationships, including the Issuer and the Servicer. Such activities may have an adverse effect on the availability of Collateral for the Issuer.

The Issuer also may invest in the securities of companies affiliated with the Initial Purchasers or in which the Initial Purchasers have an equity or participation interest. The purchase, holding and sale of such securities by the Issuer may enhance the profitability of the Initial Purchasers' investments in such companies.

The Initial Purchasers and their Affiliate may act as Hedge Counterparties and will likely buy Securities for their own account or for re-packaging purposes or enter into transactions related or linked to the Securities. If either Initial Purchaser or any such Affiliate acts in such capacities or holds any Securities, it will have no obligation to exercise its rights under the related Hedge Agreements or



Synthetic Security Agreements and any Voting Rights associated with such Securities in any manner without regard to the interests of the Issuer or any Holder of Securities and, at any applicable time, may exercise such rights in a manner adverse to some or all of the other Holders of the Securities. The Initial Purchasers or their Affiliates may also provide financing to the Servicer or its Affiliates in connection with their purchase of certain Class D Notes, Class E Notes and Class II Preference Shares which will be secured by a lien on such financed Class D Notes, Class E Notes and Class II Preference Shares.

The Initial Purchasers or one of their Affiliates may act as Synthetic Security Counterparty with respect to LCDS Securities or other Synthetic Securities. The Synthetic Security Counterparty with respect to LCDS Securities or other Synthetic Securities is likely to have the right to make determinations and to take actions or to decline to take actions which may have an adverse effect on the Issuer and the Holders of the Securities. Whether and when to declare a "credit event" and to deliver any notice that a "credit event" or a "floating amount event" has occurred will be in the sole discretion of the Synthetic Security Counterparty, and none of the Synthetic Security Counterparty, the Calculation Agent and any of their Affiliates will have any liability to any Holder or any other Person as a result of giving (or not giving) any such notice. In addition, the Synthetic Security Counterparty may have the right to determine, in its sole discretion, the termination payment to be made by the Issuer to it or by it to the Issuer in connection with the termination at the request of the Issuer of an LCDS Security, and such Synthetic Security Counterparty will have no liability to any Holder or any other Person (other than any liability that it may have to the Issuer under the LCDS Security or other Synthetic Security) as a result of making such determination.

The Issuer's purchase of Collateral Obligations prior to the Closing Date was financed through the acquisition of participations by the Pre-Closing Participant, which is an Initial Purchaser. A portion of the proceeds from the offering of the Securities will be paid to the Pre-Closing Participant to repurchase such participations.

The Initial Purchasers and their Affiliates may, by virtue of the relationships described above or otherwise, at the date hereof or at any time hereafter, be in possession of information regarding certain of the issuers of Collateral Obligations and their respective Affiliates, that is or may be material in the context of the Securities and that is or may not be known to the general public. Neither of the Initial Purchasers and none of their Affiliates have any obligation, and the offering of the Securities will not create any obligation on their part, to disclose to any purchaser of the Securities any such relationship or information, whether or not confidential.

By purchasing a Security, each investor will be deemed to have acknowledged the existence of the conflicts of interest inherent to this transaction, including as described above, and to have consented thereto.

## DESCRIPTION OF THE SECURITIES

The Notes will be issued pursuant to the Indenture. The terms of the Preference Shares are contained in the Issuer Charter and in certain resolutions adopted by the Issuer's Board of Directors on or before the Closing Date authorizing and approving the issuance of the Securities, as reflected in the minutes thereof (the "**Resolutions**" and, together with the Issuer Charter and the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the "**Preference Share Documents**"). The following summary describes certain provisions of the Notes, the Preference Shares, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. Copies of the Indenture may be obtained by prospective purchasers upon request in writing to the Trustee at 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code: EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116 Attention: CDO Services Group, and will also be available at the office of Maples Finance Dublin at 75 St. Stephens Green, Dublin 2, Ireland. Copies of the Preference Share Documents may be obtained upon request in writing to the Administrator at P.O. Box 1093GT, Boundary Hall, Cricket Square, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, Attention: the Directors — Stratford CLO Ltd.

### Status and Security

The Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer and non-recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuer. Each Note within a Class will rank *pari passu* with all other Notes of that Class. Under the Indenture, the Issuer will grant to the Trustee a first-priority security interest in the Collateral to secure the Issuer's obligations under the Indenture, the Notes, Hedge Agreements and the Servicing Agreement (collectively, the "**Secured Obligations**"). The Notes are payable solely from amounts received in respect of the Collateral pledged by the Issuer to secure the Notes. If the amounts received in respect of the Collateral (net of certain expenses) are insufficient to make payments on the Secured Obligations, in accordance with the Priority of Payments, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and, following liquidation of all the Collateral, the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, to pay the deficiency will be extinguished.

The Preference Shares are entitled to proceeds of the Collateral only to the extent that any such proceeds are remaining on any Payment Date after payment of all interest and principal payable on each Class of Notes on that Payment Date and the satisfaction of certain other amounts payable in accordance with the Priority of Payments. In addition, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares will be entitled, as and to the extent set forth herein, to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments pursuant to the priority provided in the Priority of Payments.

In furtherance of the priorities of payments among the Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares, the Indenture contains express subordination provisions pursuant to which the Holders of each Class of Notes that is a Junior Class as described below agree for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class that the Junior Class will be subordinate and junior to the Notes of each Priority Class to the extent and in the manner provided in the Indenture.

If any Event of Default has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs under and in accordance with the Indenture, each Priority Class of Notes will be paid in full in cash or, to the extent a Majority of each Class consents, other than in cash, before any further payment or distribution is made on account of any Junior Class of Notes with respect to the Priority Class. The Holders of each Junior Class of Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for failure to pay to them amounts due to the Junior Class, of the Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or under the Indenture until the

payment in full of the Priority Classes or all the Classes, as the case may be and not before one year and a day, or if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, has elapsed since the payment.

For purposes of this provision, with respect to each Class of Notes, the Classes of Notes that are Priority Classes and Junior Classes are as follows:

<b>Class</b>	<b>Junior Classes</b>	<b>Priority Classes</b>
A-1	A-2, B, C, D, E, Preference Shares*	None
A-2	B, C, D, E, Preference Shares*	A-1
B	C, D, E, Preference Shares*	A-1, A-2
C	D, E, Preference Shares*	A-1, A-2, B
D	E, Preference Shares*	A-1, A-2, B, C
E	Preference Shares*	A-1, A-2, B, C, D
Preference Shares	None**	A-1, A-2, B, C, D, E

\* Other than with respect to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, which may be payable to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as set forth herein and will have priority to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

\*\* The Preference Shares will be entitled to certain residual cash flow after payment of senior obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

If, notwithstanding the provisions of the Indenture, any Holder of Notes of any Junior Class has received any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes contrary to the provisions of the Indenture, then, until each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class of Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or, to the extent a Majority of the Priority Class or the Class, as the case may be, consents, other than in cash in accordance with the Indenture, the payment or distribution will be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and will forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, which will pay and deliver the same to the Holders of the applicable Priority Classes of Notes or the Holders of all Classes of Notes, as the case may be. If any such payment or distribution is made other than in cash, it will be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and subject in all respects to the Indenture.

Each Holder of Notes of any Junior Class agrees with all Holders of the applicable Priority Classes that the Holder of Junior Class Notes will not demand, accept, or receive any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes in violation of the Indenture. After a Priority Class has been paid in full, the Holders of Notes of the related Junior Class or Classes will be fully subrogated to the rights of the Holders of the Priority Class. Nothing in these provisions will affect the obligation of the Issuer to pay Holders of any Junior Class of Notes.

Distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares are subordinate to distributions on the Notes as described in the Priority of Payments (other than, as and to the extent set forth herein, with respect to distribution of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments).

The Servicing Fees will have priority only to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

### **Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Preference Shares from Interest Proceeds**

The Notes of each Class will accrue interest during each Interest Period on their Aggregate Outstanding Amount (determined as of the first day of the Interest Period and after giving effect to any redemption or other payment of principal occurring on that day) at the applicable per annum interest rates for each such Class (the "**Note Interest Rate**") equal to LIBOR for Eurodollar deposits for the applicable Interest Period *plus* the spread, as specified above under "Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities." Interest accrued on the Notes will be calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in the applicable Interest Period *divided by* 360. Payment of interest on each Class of Notes will be subordinated to the payments of interest on the related Priority Classes and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of Deferred Interest in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date will not be considered "payable" for the purposes of the Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest will not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes will be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes will accrue at the Note Interest Rate for the Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, will thereafter be additional Deferred Interest), until paid.

Interest will cease to accrue on each Note, or in the case of a partial repayment, on the part repaid, from the date of repayment or its Stated Maturity unless payment of principal is improperly withheld or unless there is some other default with respect to the payments of principal.

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares, pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Interest Proceeds as described under clauses (23) and (25) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds."

In addition, with respect to any Payment Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, *provided* that with respect to the Payment Date in May 2008 such Class II Preference Share Special Payments will, at a minimum, include amounts that would otherwise constitute a portion of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Closing Date through February 3, 2008. Any payments to the Holders of Class II Preference Shares of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments will have priority to the extent provided under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments."

For purposes of calculating the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, the following definitions will apply:

**"Class II Preference Share Percentage"** means, for any Payment Date, a fraction, expressed as a percentage, the numerator of which is the number of Outstanding Class II Preference Shares on such

Payment Date and the denominator of which is the total number of Outstanding Preference Shares on such Payment Date.

**"Class II Preference Share Portion"** means, for any Payment Date, 100% *minus* the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date.

**"Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment"** means, for any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Senior Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**"Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment"** means, for any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Subordinated Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**"Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment"** means, for any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**"Servicing Fee Portion"** 100% *minus* a percentage (between 0% and 100%) selected by the Servicer in its sole discretion and reported to the Trustee in writing on or before the related Determination Date, *provided that*, with respect to the Payment Date in May 2008, such percentage shall, at a minimum, include amounts that would otherwise constitute a portion (representing the Class II Preference Share Percentage) of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Closing Date to February 3, 2008.

For purposes of calculating interest on each Class of Notes, the Issuer will initially appoint the Trustee as calculation agent (the Trustee in that capacity, and each successor calculation agent, the **"Calculation Agent"**).

As soon as possible after 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period, but in no event later than 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the next Business Day, the Calculation Agent will calculate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes for the related Interest Period and the amount of interest for the Interest Period payable in respect of each \$100,000 in principal amount of each Class of Floating Rate Notes (in each case rounded to the nearest cent, with half a cent being rounded upward) on the related Payment Date and will communicate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes and the date of the next Payment Date to the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers, each paying agent, Euroclear, Clearstream, the Depository, and (as long as the Notes are listed on the ISE) the ISE.

The Calculation Agent may be removed by the Co-Issuers at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Co-Issuers or if the Calculation Agent fails to determine the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes or the amount of interest payable in respect of each Class of Floating Rate Notes for any Interest Period, the Issuer will promptly appoint as a replacement Calculation Agent a leading bank which is engaged in transactions in U.S. Dollar deposits in the international U.S. Dollar market and which does not control and is not controlled by or under common control with the Co-Issuers or any of their respective affiliates. The Calculation Agent may not resign its duties without a successor having been duly appointed. The determination of the Note Interest Rate with respect to each Class of Floating Rate Notes for each Interest Period by the Calculation Agent will (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding upon all parties.

**"LIBOR"** means the offered rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent for any Interest Period, for three month Dollar deposits that appears on Reuters Screen LIBOR01 as reported on Bloomberg

Financial Markets Commodities News (or a page that replaces Reuters Screen LIBOR01 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), as of 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period.

If, on the second Business Day before the first day of any relevant Interest Period, that rate does not appear on Reuters Screen LIBOR01 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Market Commodities News (or a page that replaces Reuters Screen LIBOR01 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), the Calculation Agent will determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks to prime banks in the London interbank market for three month Dollar deposits in Europe, by reference to requests by the Calculation Agent to four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) (the "**Reference Banks**") for quotations as of approximately 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the Interest Period. If at least two of the Reference Banks provide quotations as requested, LIBOR will equal such arithmetic mean. If fewer than two Reference Banks provide quotations, LIBOR will be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that one or more leading banks in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) are quoting to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period for three month Dollar deposits.

If the Calculation Agent is unable to determine a rate in accordance with any of the above procedures, LIBOR for the Interest Period will be calculated on the last day of the Interest Period and will be the arithmetic mean of the rate of interest for each day during the Interest Period determined by the Calculation Agent as being the rate of interest most recently announced by the Bank at its New York office as its base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans (or if the Bank ceases to exist or is not quoting a base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans, another major money center commercial bank in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer)).

For the first Interest Period and, unless the Maturity Extension occurs, the last Interest Period, LIBOR will be determined based on the actual number of days in the Interest Period using straight-line interpolation of two rates calculated in accordance with the above procedure, except that instead of using three month deposits, one rate will be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next shorter than the Interest Period and the other rate will be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next longer than the Interest Period. All calculations will be calculated to at least four decimal places and rounded to four decimal places.

### **Principal Payments on the Notes and Distributions on the Preference Shares from Principal Proceeds**

The principal of each Note of each Class matures at par and is payable on the Payment Date that is the Stated Maturity for the Class of Notes, unless the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable at an earlier date by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise. The Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, unless redeemed prior thereto. The average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years from issuance until Stated Maturity for such Notes. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes Interests May Vary" and "Maturity and Prepayment Considerations." Notwithstanding the foregoing, and except as set forth below, the payment of principal of each Class of Notes: (i) may only occur after principal on each Class of Notes that is a Priority Class with respect to the Class has been paid in full and (ii) is subordinated to the payment on each Payment Date of the principal and interest payable on the Priority Classes, and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments. However, (i) Interest Proceeds may be used to pay principal of the Class E

Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class E Coverage Test and (ii) Principal Proceeds may be used to pay Deferred Interest and other amounts before the payment of principal of the Notes. See "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments."

In general, principal payments will not be made on the Notes before the end of the Replacement Period, except in the following circumstances: (i) in connection with the payment of Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, (ii) in connection with an Optional Redemption, (iii) in connection with a Refinancing, (iv) at the option of the Servicer, to effect a Special Redemption of the Notes, (v) pursuant to a redemption made in connection with a Tax Event or (vi) following a mandatory redemption of the Notes caused by a failure to meet any of the Coverage Tests or a Rating Confirmation Failure. After the Replacement Period, Principal Proceeds will be applied on each Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments to pay principal of each Class of Notes (except for Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations which may be applied to purchase Collateral Obligations to the extent described herein). No principal of any Class of Notes will be payable on any Payment Date other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and to the extent funds are available therefor on that Payment Date for that purpose, except that the principal of each Class of Notes will be payable in full at the Stated Maturity, unless repaid before that.

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares, pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Principal Proceeds as described under clauses (11)(A), (14) and (15) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds."

#### **Legal Provisions Applicable to the Payments of Dividends from Interest Proceeds and Dividends or Other Distributions from Principal Proceeds**

Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment of dividends on, or the payment of the Redemption Price in respect of, the Preference Shares, will be distributable to the Holders of the Preference Shares only if the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distribution and Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment of dividends in respect of the Preference Shares will be distributable to the Holders of the Preference Shares only if the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium and if the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distribution. Payments will be paid by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for payment of dividends and other distributions to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, on a *pro rata* basis according to the number of Preference Shares held by each Holder on the Record Date for such Payment Date.

#### **Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**

##### *General*

The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, will be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Replacement Period to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date up to four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given the Trustee written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension

Effective Date. If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes will be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date will be automatically extended to the related Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date and the Weighted Average Life Test will be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Securities or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents.

In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes or Preference Shares wishing to sell all or a portion of its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to "—Extension Procedure" below (such Securities as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, "**Extension Sale Securities**"). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in connection with an Extension Sale, all, but not part, of the Extension Sale Securities must be purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date.

The Maturity Extension will be effective only if the following conditions (the "**Extension Conditions**") are satisfied:

- (i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the applicable Extension Effective Date;
- (ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions in the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents and described herein immediately after such purchase and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency);
- (iii) (a) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to S&P (so long as any Notes are then rated by S&P) and (b) Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to Moody's (so long as any Notes are then rated by Moody's);
- (iv) the Issuer has not effected more than three prior Extensions; and
- (v) such extension is not effected for the primary purpose of decreasing losses or recognizing gains resulting from market value changes.

In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Noteholder, other than Holders of Extension Sale Securities, will be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment. Holders of Preference Shares will not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

The Extension Bonus Payment will be payable to any applicable qualifying beneficial owners who have provided the Trustee with an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification on the first Payment Date from and including the Extension Effective Date on which funds are available for such purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments, but in any event, no later than the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption of the Notes. Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments will not be considered "due and payable" hereunder. The failure to pay any such Extension Bonus Payment on such date will not be an Event of Default, unless the Issuer will fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Securities. Unpaid Extension Bonus



Payments will not accrue interest. Such amounts will be paid, in the case of the Notes, to the accounts designated in the applicable Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification or, to the extent otherwise required by the rules of any applicable securities exchange or clearing agency, in a manner determined by the Issuer.

*Extension Procedure*

Not later than three Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Issuer of its election to extend the Replacement Period (the "**Extension Notice**"), the Trustee will mail the Extension Notice to all Holders of Notes and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding), in the form set out in the Indenture, and will request the Rating Confirmation for the Maturity Extension from each Rating Agency, if applicable.

Any Holder of Securities may deliver an irrevocable notice (an "**Extension Sale Notice**") to the Issuer and the Trustee within 30 days after the Trustee has mailed the Extension Notice (the "**Extension Sale Notice Period**") of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period will be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of Securities that has not delivered such an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period will be entitled to sell its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension.

If any Holder of Class II Preference Shares delivers an Extension Sale Notice notifying the Issuer and the Trustee of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Class II Preference Shares such Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to the Extension Qualifying Purchaser and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares.

On the applicable Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or its agent) will confirm (i) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Extension Sale Securities in compliance with all transfer restrictions in the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (ii) whether the requirements of clause (iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date and (iii) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

On each Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension will automatically become effective under the terms of the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents; *provided* that all Extension Conditions set forth above are satisfied (as certified to the Trustee by a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer). No later than two Business Days after each Extension Effective Date, the Trustee based on a determination made by the Issuer, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, will mail a notice to all Holders of Notes, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) and the ISE (if and for so long as any Class of Notes is listed thereon) confirming whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension became effective, the Issuer will make any required notifications thereof to the Depositary for any Securities subject to the Maturity Extension.

None of the Initial Purchasers, the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates will have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

### **Optional Redemption**

*Notes.* The applicable Required Redemption Percentage may give written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Servicer directing an optional redemption of the Notes (with respect to the Notes, an "**Optional Redemption**") upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period. Such notice must be given not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made. In the event that the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee and the Issuer receive notice directing an optional redemption from any one or more Holders of Preference Shares holding less than a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, within five Business Days of receipt of such notice, notify the Holders of the Preference Shares (i) of the receipt of such notice and (ii) that any Holder of Preference Shares may join in directing an Optional Redemption by notifying the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing within five Business Days after such Holder's receipt of the Preference Shares Paying Agent's notice.

Upon receipt of the written notice directing an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Co-Issuers with respect to the Notes are required by the Indenture to redeem the Notes (in whole but not in part) from amounts available therefor in accordance with "—Optional Redemption Procedures" described below. Any Optional Redemption of the Notes will be made at the applicable Redemption Price. Upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Replacement Period will terminate in accordance with the definition of that term. The Issuer shall, at least 30 days before the Redemption Date (unless the Trustee shall agree to a shorter notice period), notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency of the Redemption Date, the applicable Record Date, the principal amount of Notes to be redeemed on the Redemption Date and the applicable Redemption Prices.

*Preference Shares.* On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, all administrative and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), and all amounts owing under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged:

(i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings; or

(ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such direction,

(with respect to the Preference Shares and each of clauses (i) and (ii) above, an "**Optional Redemption**").

Upon a distribution pursuant to clause (i) above, the Servicer will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Servicing Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer (and subject to clause (ii) above), direct the

sale of all remaining Collateral Obligations. Upon a distribution pursuant to clause (ii) above, the Servicer will effect the sale of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares.

Upon receipt of the written notice directing an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares, the Issuer is required by the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement to redeem the Preference Shares in the applicable manner described above. Any Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares shall be made at the applicable Redemption Price.

*Optional Redemption Procedures.* The Trustee will give notice of a redemption by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days and not earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date, to (i) each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as applicable, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and (ii) in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, to each Rating Agency. In addition, for so long as any Notes are listed on the ISE and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of an Optional Redemption of Notes will also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

Notice of redemption having been given as provided above, the Notes to be redeemed will, on the Redemption Date, become payable at the Redemption Price therein specified and from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Issuer will default in the payment of the Redemption Price and accrued interest) the Notes will cease to bear interest on the Redemption Date.

Upon final payment on a Note to be so redeemed, the Holder will present and surrender the Note at the place specified in the notice of redemption to receive the applicable Redemption Price unless the Holder provides an undertaking to surrender the Note thereafter.

The Notes may not be optionally redeemed unless either of the following conditions is satisfied:

(i) at least 10 Business Days before the Redemption Date, the Servicer will have furnished to the Trustee evidence (in form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee) that the Issuer has entered into a binding agreement (with (x) a financial or other institution or entity whose short-term unsecured debt obligations (other than obligations whose rating is based on the credit of a Person other than the institution) have a credit rating of at least "A-1" from S&P and of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's, (y) any other entity that has the benefit of a credit facility, a warehouse agreement, a liquidity facility or a similar arrangement with a financial or other institution or entity that satisfies the criteria in sub-clause (x) above and such financial or other institution or entity irrevocably agrees to fund the purchase of all or part of the Collateral as set forth herein or (z) any other institution or entity if the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's is satisfied with respect to the other entity) to sell to the financial or other institutions, not later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date in immediately available funds, all or part of the Collateral (directly or by participation or other arrangement) at a Purchase Price at least equal to an amount sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices; or

(ii) before entering into any binding agreement to sell all or a portion of the Collateral and selling or terminating any Hedge Agreement, the Servicer will have certified that, in its commercially reasonable judgment, the settlement dates of the sales will be scheduled to occur on or before the Business Day before the Redemption Date and that the expected proceeds from the sales are to be delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date, in immediately available funds, in an amount (calculated as applicable in the manner provided below) sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices. For purposes of this paragraph, the amount will be calculated with respect to the classes of Collateral listed in the table below by multiplying the expected proceeds of sale of the Collateral by the indicated percentage in the table below. For the avoidance of doubt, no Hedge Agreement will be sold or terminated unless the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date has passed and no notice of withdrawal has been issued.

		<u>Number of Business Days Between Certification to the Trustee and Sale</u>			
		<u>Same Day</u>	<u>1 to 2</u>	<u>3 to 5</u>	<u>6 to 15</u>
1.	Cash or other Eligible Investments	100%	100%	100%	100%
2.	Loans (other than 5 below)	100%	93%	92%	88%
3.	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations (in each case, other than 4 below)	100%	89%	85%	75%
4.	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations, in each case with a Moody's Rating of "B3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "B3"	100%	75%	65%	55%
5.	Synthetic Securities	100%	65%	55%	35%

Any certification delivered by the Servicer will include (A) the prices of, and expected proceeds from, the sale of any Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments or Hedge Agreements and (B) all calculations required by the Indenture.

Any notice of redemption may be withdrawn by the Issuer up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Trustee and the Servicer only if:

(i) in the case of an Optional Redemption of Notes, the Servicer does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications required under the Indenture, as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee;

(ii) in the case of an Optional Redemption in whole of either the Notes or the Preference Shares as described above in "—Optional Redemption—Notes" and clause (i) of the first paragraph under "—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares," the Issuer receives the written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares (or, in the case of an Optional

Redemption of the Notes resulting from a Tax Event, the Affected Class) to withdraw the notice of redemption delivered by the percentage of the Holders of the Preference Shares (or, in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes resulting from a Tax Event, the Affected Class) requesting redemption under "—Optional Redemption—Notes" or clause (i) of the first paragraph under "—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares," as applicable; or

(iii) in the case of an Optional Redemption of Preference Shares as described in clause (ii) of the first paragraph under "Optional Redemption—Preference Shares," the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer hereby agrees for the benefit of the directing Holders to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (ii) or this clause (iii)).

Notice of any withdrawal will be sent, not later than the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date (assuming that the Trustee has received timely written notice from the Issuer as provided above), by the Trustee, to each Holder of Notes scheduled to be redeemed at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery (or, to the extent the address contained in the Indenture Register is not sufficient for that purpose, by first-class mail) and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares). If the Issuer so withdraws any notice of redemption or is otherwise unable to complete any redemption of the Notes, the Sale Proceeds received from the sale of any Collateral Obligations sold in accordance with the Indenture may, during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period) at the Servicer's discretion, be used to purchase replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria.

Notice of redemption will be given by the Co-Issuers or, upon an Issuer Order, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Co-Issuers. Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Note selected for redemption or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) will not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Securities.

*Redemption by Refinancing.* In addition, any Class of the Notes may be redeemed in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period from Refinancing Proceeds if the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, proposes to the Holders of the Preference Shares in writing (by notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares)) with a copy to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies) at least 30 days prior to the Payment Date for such redemption (such date, the "**Refinancing Date**") to redeem such Notes in accordance with the Indenture, which notice will, among other things, specify the Refinancing Date and the Class of Notes to be Refinanced. Such redemption will be effected by the Issuer obtaining a loan or an issuance of a replacement class of notes ("**Refinancing Notes**"), the terms of which loan or issuance will be negotiated by the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, from one or more financial institutions or purchasers (which may include the Servicer or its Affiliates) selected by the Servicer (a refinancing provided pursuant to such loan or issuance, a "**Refinancing**"), and *provided* that (i) such proposal is approved by a Majority of the Preference Shares (voting as a single class) at least 15 days prior to the Refinancing Date and (ii) the Servicer completes such Refinancing and causes the Refinancing Proceeds to be deposited with the Trustee (in immediately available funds) no later than the close of the Business Day immediately preceding the Refinancing Date.

The Issuer will obtain a Refinancing only if the Servicer determines and certifies to the Trustee that:

- (i) a Rating Confirmation has been obtained from each Rating Agency for each Class of Refinancing Notes and each Class of Notes not subject to Refinancing;
- (ii) the proceeds from the Refinancing will be at least sufficient to pay the Refinancing Price *plus* any Administrative Expenses of the Issuer related to the Refinancing;
- (iii) the interest rate payable in respect of the obligations providing the Refinancing is less than the interest rate payable on the Notes being refinanced;
- (iv) the principal amount of any obligations providing the Refinancing is no greater than the principal amount of the Notes being redeemed with the proceeds of such obligations;
- (v) the stated maturity of the obligations providing the Refinancing is no earlier than the Stated Maturity of the Notes being refinanced;
- (vi) the Refinancing Proceeds will be used (to the extent necessary) to redeem the applicable Notes;
- (vii) the agreements relating to the Refinancing contain limited recourse, non-recourse and non-petition provisions, investor qualification provisions and transfer restrictions equivalent to those applicable to the Notes being redeemed, as set forth in the Indenture;
- (viii) the obligations providing the Refinancing are subject to the Priority of Payments and do not rank higher in priority pursuant to the Priority of Payments than the Class of Notes being redeemed; and
- (ix) the expenses in connection with the Refinancing have been paid or will be adequately provided for.

Any Refinancing Proceeds will not constitute Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds but will be applied directly on the related Refinancing Date pursuant to the Indenture to redeem the Notes being refinanced and pay Administrative Expenses in connection with the Refinancing without regard to the Priority of Payments; *provided* that, to the extent that any Refinancing Proceeds exceed the amount necessary to redeem the Notes being refinanced (and any associated Administrative Expenses), such excess Refinancing Proceeds will be treated as Principal Proceeds.

Refinancing Notes may be issued from time to time pursuant to a Refinancing as described above and subject to and in compliance with the terms of the Indenture. Any such Refinancing Note will be issued by the Co-Issuers and will be authenticated by the Trustee upon delivery to the Trustee of an order of the Issuer and the applicable opinion of counsel as set forth in the Indenture.

**Special Redemption of Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture**

Principal payments on the Notes will be made in whole or in part, at par, in accordance with the Priority of Payments if, at any time during the Replacement Period, the Servicer elects (subject to the Servicing Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional or replacement Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to

permit the application of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations.

On the Special Redemption Date, the Special Redemption Amount will be available to be applied in accordance with "—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds" to the extent of available Principal Proceeds. Notice of payment of the Special Redemption Amount will be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than three Business Days before the applicable Special Redemption Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository. In addition, for so long as any Notes are listed on the ISE and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of a Special Redemption of the Notes will also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

In connection with a Special Redemption, the principal of the Notes will be paid from Principal Proceeds in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount (first to any Class A-1 Notes to be redeemed, and Class A-2 Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class B Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class C Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class D Notes to be redeemed and then to any Class E Notes to be redeemed, in each case until paid in full) in accordance with the Priority of Payments. See "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds."

## **Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

### *General*

In the event of a Rating Confirmation Failure or a failure to meet any Coverage Test on any Determination Date, a mandatory redemption of one or more Classes of Notes in whole or in part will be required. Any mandatory redemption could result in an elimination, deferral or reduction in interest or principal payments to one or more Classes of Securities, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of the Class or Classes of Securities. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Interests for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests" and "—The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure."

### *Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests*

Except with respect to payments made pursuant to an Optional Redemption or a redemption made in connection with a Tax Event as described under "—Optional Redemption," on any Payment Date with respect to which any Coverage Test (as described under "Security for the Notes—The Coverage Tests") is not met on any Determination Date, principal payments on the Notes will be made as described under "—Priority of Payments."

### *Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure*

Upon the event of a Rating Confirmation Failure, all Interest Proceeds remaining after payment of amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (17) of "—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" will be used to pay principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes in the Note Payment Sequence on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date thereafter until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. If necessary, after the foregoing payments are made out of Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds in accordance with clause (10) "—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds" will be used to pay principal of each Class of the Notes sequentially in order of their priority on each Payment Date until the Initial Ratings are confirmed.

Upon receipt of notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes, at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes, then at the direction and in accordance with the instructions of the Servicer the Trustee will sell Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for the purpose in the Collection Account will be used to redeem the Notes (but only to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes) and to pay all administrative and other fees, expenses and obligations payable under the Priority of Payments. Any sale under these provisions will be conducted in such a manner that:

- (i) after giving effect to the sale each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied or, if any Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Overcollateralization Test is not reduced;
- (ii) if the sale occurs on or after the second Payment Date, after giving effect to the sale each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied or, if any Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Interest Coverage Test is not reduced; and
- (iii) after giving effect to the sale each Collateral Quality Test is satisfied or, if any Collateral Quality Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Collateral Quality Test is not reduced.

#### **Redemption of the Preference Shares in Connection with Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

The Preference Shares will be redeemed in whole in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents on any Payment Date on which a mandatory redemption of the Notes described under "—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes" results in the payment in full of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes.

#### **Tax Certification**

As a condition to the payment on any Security in accordance with the Priority of Payments without the imposition of withholding tax, the Issuer will require certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer, the Trustee, and any paying agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments in respect of such Security under any present or future law or regulation of the United States or other jurisdiction or any present or future law or regulation of any political subdivision thereof or taxing authority therein or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under any such law or regulation. Without limiting the foregoing, as a condition to payments on any Security without U.S. federal back-up withholding, the Issuer will require the delivery of properly completed and signed applicable U.S. federal income tax certifications (generally, an IRS Form W-9 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a person that is a "United States person" as defined in the Code or an IRS Form W-8 (or applicable successor form), together with any required attachments, in the case of a person that is not a "United States person" as defined in the Code).



## Priority of Payments

Collections received on the Collateral during the related Due Period will be segregated into Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds and applied on each Payment Date in the priority below under "—Interest Proceeds" and "—Principal Proceeds," respectively (collectively, the "**Priority of Payments**").

### *Interest Proceeds*

On each Payment Date, Interest Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period (other than Interest Proceeds previously used during such Due Period to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations or otherwise used as permitted under the Indenture) will be distributed in the following order of priority:

- (1) to the payment of any taxes and registration and filing fees owed by the Co-Issuers (without limit) and then to the payment of Administrative Expenses up to the Administrative Expense Cap as follows:

FIRST, in the following order of priority:

- (i) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Trustee; and then
- (ii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Collateral Administrator; and then
- (iii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Preference Shares Paying Agent;

SECOND, in the following order of priority;

- (i) fees and expenses of the Administrator; and then;
- (ii) fees and expenses of the Co-Issuers (including fees and expenses of counsel and ongoing surveillance, credit estimate, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies) and any other person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for in the Indenture, and to the expenses (but not fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;

- (2) the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts paid pursuant to clause (1) above to deposit into the Expense Reimbursement Account;
- (3) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with "Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account" an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee then due and payable and SECOND, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause;
- (4) to the payment of all amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements (if any) other than any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;

- (5) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-1 Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-1 Notes;
- (6) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-2 Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-2 Notes;
- (7) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class B Notes;
- (8) if the Class A/B Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in accordance with the Note Payment Sequence, in each case, in the amount necessary so that all of the Class A/B Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (8) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under "—Principal Proceeds" below on the current Payment Date);
- (9) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class C Notes (excluding Class C Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class C Deferred Interest);
- (10) if the Class C Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in accordance with the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class C Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (10) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under "—Principal Proceeds" below on the current Payment Date);
- (11) to the payment of Class C Deferred Interest;
- (12) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class D Notes (excluding Class D Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class D Deferred Interest);
- (13) if the Class D Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in accordance with the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class D Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (13) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under "—Principal Proceeds" below on the current Payment Date);
- (14) to the payment of Class D Deferred Interest;

- (15) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class E Notes (excluding Class E Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class E Deferred Interest);
- (16) if the Class E Coverage Test is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class E Notes in the amount necessary so that the Class E Coverage Test would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full;
- (17) to the payment of Class E Deferred Interest;
- (18) if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes in accordance with the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that a Rating Confirmation is obtained, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (18) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under "—Principal Proceeds" below on the current Payment Date);
- (19) during the Replacement Period, if the Retention Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, for deposit to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds 50% of the remaining Interest Proceeds available after the payments pursuant to clause (18) above (or, if the amount necessary to cause the Retention Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as of such Determination Date is less than 50% of such remaining Interest Proceeds, such necessary amount);
- (20) to the payment of any remaining Administrative Expenses not paid under clause (1) above in the respective priorities specified in clause (1);
- (21) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with "Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account" an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee then due and payable and SECOND, to the payment (*pro rata* according to the amounts payable under clauses (x) and (y) below) to: (x) the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and (y) *pro rata* to each Holder of Securities entitled thereto, the applicable Extension Bonus Payment as described under "—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date;"
- (22) to the payment *pari passu* of any (x) Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments and (y) Defaulted Synthetic Termination Payments;
- (23) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0%;

- (24) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with "Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account" of an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) the Supplemental Servicing Fee, if applicable and SECOND, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Supplemental Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and
- (25) any remaining Interest Proceeds, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares;

*provided* that, in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds referred to under clauses (23) and (25) above, in whole or in part on any Payment Date, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, will have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be due and payable on such Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to any such Payment Date will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be increased accordingly.

*Principal Proceeds*

On each Payment Date, Principal Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period other than:

- (A) Principal Proceeds previously used to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Synthetic Security Reserve Account, the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or otherwise used as permitted under the Indenture;
- (B) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Synthetic Security Reserve Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account or the Securities Lending Account; and
- (C) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed Purchase Prices for Collateral Obligations with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment before the end of the Due Period for their purchase, but has not settled the purchase by the end of the Due Period,

will be distributed in the following order of priority:

- (1) (x) FIRST, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (7) under "—Interest Proceeds" above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (y) SECOND, to the payment of amounts referred to in clause (8) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder to the extent necessary to cause the Class A/B Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (1), or until such amounts are paid in full;
- (2) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (9) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; *provided* that after giving effect to such payment, each Coverage Test will be satisfied on a *pro forma* basis;
- (3) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (10) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class C Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (3) or until such amounts are paid in full;
- (4) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (11) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; *provided* that after giving effect to such payment, each Coverage Test will be satisfied on a *pro forma* basis;
- (5) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (12) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; *provided* that after giving effect to such payment, each Coverage Test will be satisfied on a *pro forma* basis;
- (6) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (13) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder to the extent necessary to cause the Class D Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (6) or until such amounts are paid in full;
- (7) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (14) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; *provided* that after giving effect to such payment, each Coverage Test will be satisfied on a *pro forma* basis;
- (8) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (15) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; *provided* that after giving effect to such payment, each Coverage Test will be satisfied on a *pro forma* basis;
- (9) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (17) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; *provided* that after giving effect to such payment, each Coverage Test will be satisfied on a *pro forma* basis;
- (10) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (18) under "—Interest Proceeds" above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(11)

- (A) if the Payment Date is a Redemption Date in the following order of priority: (i) to the payment of the Redemption Prices of all of the Notes to be redeemed (sequentially, in direct order of seniority), (ii) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (20) through (24) under "—Interest Proceeds" above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (iii) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares of the Redemption Price of any Preference Shares to be redeemed; and
  - (B) if the Payment Date is a Special Redemption Date, to the payment of principal of the Notes (sequentially, in direct order of seniority) in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount, in each case until paid in full;
- (12) during the Replacement Period, all remaining Principal Proceeds to the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture (and, until so applied (including any related deposit into the Synthetic Security Reserve Account, the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or (if so required by the terms of the related Synthetic Security) a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account) or until so applied, to the Collection Account to be held as Principal Proceeds);
- (13) after the Replacement Period, (i) FIRST, at the discretion of the Servicer (with respect to Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations) to the purchase or funding of additional or replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the applicable provisions of the Indenture when appropriate Collateral Obligations are available, and until such time, to the Collection Account for the purchase of Eligible Investments; and (ii) SECOND, to the payment of principal of in accordance with the Note Payment Sequence;
- (14) to the extent not previously paid in full under clause (12) above, after the Replacement Period, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (20) through (24) under "—Interest Proceeds" above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; and
- (15) after the Replacement Period to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

The calculation on any Coverage Test on any Determination Date will be made by giving effect to all payments to be made pursuant to all subclauses of the Priority of Payments as applicable, payable on the Payment Date following such Determination Date. In addition, no Principal Proceeds will be used to pay a subordinated Class on a Payment Date if, after giving effect to such payment, any Coverage Test of a more senior Class of Notes is failing on such Payment Date or would fail as a result of such application of the Principal Proceeds on such Payment Date.

If on any Payment Date the amount available in the Payment Account is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by the Valuation Report, the Trustee will make the

disbursements called for in the order and according to the priority under "—Interest Proceeds" and "—Principal Proceeds," to the extent funds are available therefor.

The Trustee will remit funds to pay Administrative Expenses of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in accordance with the Priority of Payments under "—Interest Proceeds" and "—Principal Proceeds" above, to the extent available, to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer as directed and designated in an Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions) delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before each Payment Date.

### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Notes**

The Notes sold in Offshore Transactions may only be sold to non-U.S. Persons in reliance on Regulation S. Except as provided below, the Notes sold in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Notes (the "**Regulation S Global Notes**"). The Regulation S Global Notes will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear and Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream. Investors may hold their interests in a Regulation S Global Note directly through Euroclear or Clearstream, if they are participants in such systems, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in such systems. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may not be held by a U.S. Person at any time. By acquisition of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note, the purchaser thereof will be deemed to represent that it is not a U.S. Person and that, if in the future it determines to transfer such beneficial interest, it will transfer such interest only to a person whom the seller reasonably believes to be a non-U.S. Person or to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note.

The Notes initially sold in non-Offshore Transactions or to U.S. Persons in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Rule 144A may only be sold to (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers that are also (ii) Qualified Purchasers and, except as provided below, will be represented by one or more permanent Rule 144A Global Notes. Investors may hold their interests in the Rule 144A Global Notes directly through the Depository if they are the Depository participants, or indirectly through organizations that are the Depository participants. The Rule 144A Global Notes will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for the Depository, and registered in the name of a nominee of the Depository.

Beneficial interests in Notes represented by Global Notes will be subject to certain restrictions on transfer set forth therein and in the Indenture and such Global Notes will bear the applicable legends regarding the restrictions set forth under "Transfer Restrictions." A beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from (A) the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that the transfer is being made to a person whom the transferor reasonably believes is a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is also a Qualified Purchaser and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction and (B) the transferee (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser. Beneficial interests in the Rule 144A Global Notes may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from (A) the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that the transfer is being made to a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction in accordance with Regulation S and (B) the transferee (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is a non-U.S. Person.

Any beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note that is transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will, upon transfer, cease to be an interest

in such Regulation S Global Note and become an interest in the Rule 144A Global Note and, accordingly, will thereafter be subject to all transfer restrictions and other procedures applicable to beneficial interests in a Rule 144A Global Note for as long as it remains such an interest. Any beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note that is transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note will, upon transfer, cease to be an interest in the Rule 144A Global Note and become an interest in the Regulation S Global Note and, accordingly, will thereafter be subject to all transfer restrictions and other procedures applicable to beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note for as long as it remains such an interest. No service charge will be made for any registration of transfer or exchange of Notes, but the Issuer or the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

Except in the limited circumstances described in this paragraph, owners of beneficial interests in Notes held in the form of Global Notes will not be entitled to receive delivery of certificated Notes. The Notes are not issuable in bearer form. A Global Note deposited with the Depository pursuant to the Indenture will be transferred to the beneficial owners thereof only if such transfer complies with the Indenture and either (i) the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for a Global Note or ceases to be a "Clearing Agency" registered under the Exchange Act and a successor depository is not appointed by the Issuer within 90 days of such notice or (ii) as a result of any amendment to or change in, the laws or regulations of the Cayman Islands or of any authority therein or thereof having power to tax or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations which become effective on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer or the Paying Agent becomes aware that it is or will be required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Notes which would not be required if the Notes were in definitive form. In addition, the owner of a beneficial interest in a Global Note will be entitled to receive a certificated Note in exchange for such interest if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing. In the event that certificated Notes are not so issued by the Issuer to such beneficial owners of interests in Global Notes, the Issuer expressly acknowledges that such beneficial owners will be entitled to pursue any remedy that the Holders of a Global Note would be entitled to pursue in accordance with the Indenture (but only to the extent of such beneficial owner's interest in the Global Note) as if certificated Notes had been issued. Payments on such certificated Notes will be made by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a Dollar-denominated account maintained by the owner or, if a wire transfer cannot be effected, by a Dollar check delivered to the owner. See "Settlement and Clearing."

The Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof.

### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Preference Shares**

The Preference Shares will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Preference Shares in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the "**Certificated Preference Shares**").

Preference Shares may only be sold to persons who are Qualified Institutional Buyers who are also Qualified Purchasers.

Preference Shares may be transferred only upon (*inter alia*) receipt by the Preference Shares Paying Agent of a written certification (in the form provided in the Preference Share Documents) from the transferee to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is also a Qualified Purchaser, and such transfer is being made in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction. Each initial Holder as well as each



transferee of the Preference Shares is also required to provide certain tax forms and other tax-related certifications. See "Transfer Restrictions."

Maples Finance Limited has been appointed and will serve as the registrar with respect to the Preference Shares (the "**Share Registrar**") and will provide for (*inter alia*) the registration of the Preference Shares and the registration of transfers of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Preference Share Documents and the Administration Agreement in the register maintained by it. The Preference Shares will be issued in minimum numbers of 250 Preference Shares per investor and integral multiples of one Preference Share in excess thereof.

## **The Indenture**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Indenture. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Indenture.

### *Events of Default*

"**Event of Default**" is defined in the Indenture as:

- (a) a default for four Business Days in the payment of any interest on the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes or the Class B Notes, or, if no Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes or Class B Notes are Outstanding, a default in the payment of any interest on the Controlling Class, in each case, when it becomes payable (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, the Irish Paying Agent or the Indenture Registrar, after seven Business Days);
- (b) a default in the payment of principal (including Deferred Interest) of any Note when the same becomes payable, at its Stated Maturity or on the Redemption Date;
- (c) the failure on any Payment Date to disburse amounts available in the Payment Account in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the failure continues for three Business Days;
- (d) on any Measurement Date for so long as any Class A-1 Notes or Class A-2 Notes are Outstanding, the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio is less than 100%;
- (e) either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral becomes an investment company under the Investment Company Act;
- (f) breach of any other covenant or other agreement of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Indenture (other than any failure to satisfy any of the Collateral Quality Tests, any of the Concentration Limitations, any of the Coverage Tests, the Retention Overcollateralization Test, or other covenants or agreements for which a specific remedy has been provided under the Indenture) in any material respect, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer made in the Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant thereto, or in connection therewith, to be correct in any material respect when made, and the breach or failure continues for 30 days after either of the Co-Issuers has actual knowledge of it or after notice to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Servicer by the Trustee or to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class by registered or certified mail or overnight courier specifying

the breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that the notice is a "Notice of Default" under the Indenture;

(g) the entry of a decree or order by a court having competent jurisdiction adjudging the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, or composition of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, and if the decree or order remains unstayed and in effect for 45 consecutive days;

(h) the institution by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of Proceedings to have the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as the case may be, adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings against the Issuer or Co-Issuer, or the filing by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Bankruptcy Law or any other similar applicable law, or the consent by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or the taking of any action by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in furtherance of any such action; or

(i) one or more final judgments is rendered against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer that exceed in the aggregate U.S.\$2,000,000 and that remain unstayed, undischarged, and unsatisfied for 30 days after the judgments become nonappealable, unless adequate funds have been reserved or set aside for their payment.

Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Trustee must give prompt (and in no event later than five Business Days after becoming aware of such event) notice thereof to the Noteholders.

If an Event of Default is continuing (other than an Event of Default described in clauses (e), (g) or (h) under "—Events of Default" above), the Trustee may, with consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class, and must, upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, declare the principal of all the Notes to be immediately payable by notice to the Co-Issuers and the Noteholders, and upon that declaration the unpaid principal of all the Notes, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), and other amounts payable under the Indenture, will become immediately payable. The Replacement Period will terminate upon a declaration of acceleration (subject to re-commencement as described below). If an Event of Default described in clauses (e), (g) or (h) above under "—Events of Default" occurs, all unpaid principal, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), of all the Notes, and other amounts payable under the Indenture, will automatically become payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any Noteholder and the Replacement Period will terminate automatically (subject to re-commencement as described below).

At any time after the declaration of acceleration of maturity has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, may rescind the declaration and its consequences if:

- (i) the Issuer or the Co-Issuer has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:
  - (A) all unpaid installments of interest and principal on the Notes then due (other than as a result of the acceleration);
  - (B) to the extent that payment of the interest is lawful, interest on any Deferred Interest and Defaulted Interest at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable;
  - (C) all Administrative Expenses of the Co-Issuers and other sums paid or advanced by the Trustee under the Indenture;
  - (D) all unpaid Senior Servicing Fees; and
  - (E) all amounts then payable to any Hedge Counterparty and any Synthetic Security Counterparty; and
- (ii) the Trustee has determined that all Events of Default, other than the nonpayment of the interest on or principal of the Notes, that have become due solely by the acceleration, have been (A) cured, and a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Trustee has agreed with that determination, or (B) waived as provided in the Indenture.

No rescission will affect any subsequent Default or impair any right resulting from the Default. The Issuer shall not terminate any Hedge Agreement at any time after a declaration of acceleration of Maturity of the Notes has been made, unless such declaration and its consequences may no longer be rescinded and annulled in accordance with the Indenture and liquidation of the Collateral has begun.

If an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee will retain the Collateral, collect, and cause the collection of the proceeds of the Collateral and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Collateral and the Notes and any Hedge Agreements (other than amounts received under a Hedge Agreement that are used in putting a replacement hedge in place) in the manner described under "—Priority of Payments" and the Indenture unless either:

- (i) the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, determines (bid prices having been obtained with respect to each security contained in the Collateral from two nationally recognized dealers (or if there is only one dealer, that dealer and if there is no dealer, from a pricing service), selected and specified by the Servicer to the Trustee in writing, at the time making a market in those securities, and having computed the anticipated proceeds of sale or liquidation on the basis of the lower of the bid prices for each security) that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would (after deduction of the reasonable expenses of the sale or liquidation) be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and the Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) under "—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds," and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination;
- (ii) the Holders of a Super Majority of each of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral; or

(iii) the Class A/B Overcollateralization Ratio is less than 90% and the Holders of a Majority of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes voting together as a single Class direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral; *provided* that upon such direction, the Trustee shall (x) first sell or liquidate any Collateral for which either (a) two or more bid-side prices have been determined by an Approved Pricing Service or (b) bid-side prices have been obtained from at least two nationally recognized broker-dealers selected by a Majority of the Controlling Class and (y) thereafter shall sell or liquidate such remaining Collateral to the extent such Collateral can be liquidated or sold in accordance with the Indenture and applicable law; *provided* that any Collateral consisting of equity securities or Defaulted Collateral Obligations shall not be subject to sale or liquidation pursuant to this clause (iii).

If any Collateral is sold in accordance with clause (iii)(x) above and Highland is the Servicer, the Servicer shall have the exclusive right to purchase such Collateral for the first two Business Days from the date the last of such bid-prices was determined by an Approved Pricing Service or obtained from a nationally recognized broker-dealer selected by a Majority of the Controlling Class with respect to such Collateral at a price equal to the highest bid-price for such Collateral that was determined by an Approved Pricing Service and, thereafter, the Trustee may sell such Collateral to other parties in accordance with the terms of the Indenture; *provided* that any such sale to the Servicer or to any other party is effected in compliance with applicable law, including all notice and other requirements under the UCC.

During the continuance of an Event of Default, a Majority of the Controlling Class may institute and direct the Trustee in the conduct of any proceedings for any remedy available to the Trustee or for the exercise of any right of the Trustee under the Indenture if the direction does not conflict with any rule of law or with any express provision of the Indenture and the Trustee has been indemnified to its reasonable satisfaction. Any direction to the Trustee to undertake a sale of the Collateral shall be by the Holders of Notes representing the requisite percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes specified in the Indenture. The Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability or expense unless it has received an indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it against the liability or expense.

A Majority of the Controlling Class may on behalf of the Holders of all the Notes, before the time a judgment or decree for the payment of money due has been obtained by the Trustee, waive any past Event of Default or event that, with notice or the lapse of time or both, would become an Event of Default and its consequences, except such a default:

- (i) in the payment of principal or Redemption Price of any Note or in the payment of interest (including Defaulted Interest, Deferred Interest, and any interest on Defaulted Interest or Deferred Interest) on the Notes;
- (ii) with respect to a provision of the Indenture that cannot be modified or amended without the waiver or consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected by the modification or amendment;
- (iii) in the payment of amounts due to the Servicer, the Trustee, or the Hedge Counterparty, which may only be waived with the consent of the affected party; or
- (iv) arising as a result of an Event of Default described in clause (e), (g) or (h) under "—Events of Default."

No Holder of any Note may institute any proceeding with respect to the Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy under the Indenture, unless:

- (i) the Holder has previously given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default;
- (ii) the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute Proceedings with respect to the Event of Default in its own name as Trustee under the Indenture and the Holders have offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with the request;
- (iii) the Trustee for 30 days after its receipt of the notice, request, and offer of indemnity has failed to institute a Proceeding; and
- (iv) no direction inconsistent with the written request has been given to the Trustee during the 30 day period by a Majority of the Controlling Class.

If the Trustee receives conflicting or inconsistent requests and indemnity from two or more groups of Holders of the Controlling Class pursuant to the paragraph above, each representing less than a Majority of the Controlling Class, the Trustee shall take the action requested by the Holders of the largest percentage in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, notwithstanding any other provisions of the Indenture but subject to such Holders having offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the costs and liabilities that might reasonably be incurred by it in compliance with the request as provided in the Indenture.

### **Supplemental Indentures**

#### *Without Consent of Holders*

Without the consent of the Holders of any Securities (other than with respect to the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class specified in clause (15) below), any Hedge Counterparty (except to the extent such consent is required under the applicable Hedge Agreement) or any Synthetic Security Counterparty (except to the extent such consent is required under the applicable Synthetic Security Agreement), but with the consent of the parties the consent of which is required as described in the following paragraph, the Co-Issuers, in each instance when authorized by resolutions of the respective Boards of Directors, and the Trustee, at any time and from time to time subject to the requirement provided below with respect to receipt of a Rating Confirmation, may, if, with respect to any matters described in clauses (1) through (23) below, the interests of the Holders of the Securities (except, in the case of clause (12) below, any Holders of Notes subject to the applicable Refinancing) are not materially and adversely affected thereby (the Co-Issuers and the Trustee will be bound by a standard of good faith and fair dealing in making such determination, subject to the terms of the Indenture) enter into one or more indentures supplemental to the Indenture, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, for any of the following purposes:

- (1) to evidence the succession of another person to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and the assumption by the successor person of the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Indenture and in the Securities;
- (2) to add to the covenants of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders or to surrender any right in the Indenture conferred on the Co-Issuers;
- (3) to convey, transfer, assign, mortgage, or pledge any property to the Trustee, or add to the conditions, limitations or restrictions on the authorized amount, terms and purposes of the issue, authentication and delivery of the Notes;

- (4) to evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment under the Indenture by a successor Trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of the Indenture necessary to facilitate the administration of the trusts under the Indenture by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of the Indenture;
- (5) to correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of the Indenture, or to better assure, convey, and confirm to the Trustee any property subject or required to be subject to the lien of the Indenture (including all actions appropriate as a result of changes in law) or to subject to the lien of the Indenture any additional property;
- (6) to cause any provision of the Indenture to conform to, or be consistent with, the statements made with respect to such provision in this Offering Memorandum;
- (7) to modify the restrictions on and procedures for resales and other transfers of the Notes to reflect any changes in applicable law (or its interpretation) or to enable the Co-Issuers to rely on any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities Act (including, without limitation, to add provisions for resales and transfers of the Class E Notes and/or Preference Shares under Regulation S) or the Investment Company Act or to remove restrictions on resale and transfer to the extent not required under the Indenture;
- (8) with the consent of the Servicer, to modify (A) the restrictions on the sales of Collateral Obligations described in "Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations" or (B) with the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld), the Eligibility Criteria described in "Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria" (and the related definitions); *provided* that, for the avoidance of doubt, the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall not be required if such amendment also satisfies the requirements of clause (24) below;
- (9) to make appropriate changes for any Class of Notes to be listed on an exchange other than the ISE;
- (10) otherwise to correct any inconsistency or cure any ambiguity or errors in the Indenture;
- (11) to accommodate the issuance of the Notes in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC or otherwise;
- (12) to accommodate a Refinancing effected pursuant to and in compliance with the terms of the Indenture; *provided* that no Holders of Notes or Preference Shares are materially adversely affected thereby, other than Holders of Notes subject to such Refinancing;
- (13) to avoid the imposition of tax on the net income of the Issuer or Co-Issuer or of withholding tax on any payment to the Issuer or Co-Issuer;
- (14) to authorize the appointment of any listing agent, transfer agent, paying agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes appropriate in connection with the listing of any Class of Notes on the ISE or any other stock exchange, and otherwise to amend the Indenture to incorporate any changes required or requested by any governmental authority, stock exchange authority, listing agent, transfer agent, paying agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes in connection with its appointment, so long as

the supplemental indenture would not materially and adversely affect any Noteholders, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Notes;

- (15) with the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class, to amend, modify, enter into or accommodate the execution of any contract relating to a Synthetic Security (including posting collateral under a Synthetic Security Agreement) if such particular action is not otherwise permitted under the Indenture;
- (16) to modify certain representations as to Collateral in the Indenture in order that it may be consistent with applicable laws or Rating Agency requirements;
- (17) to evidence any waiver by any Rating Agency as to any requirement or condition, as applicable, of the Rating Agency in the Indenture;
- (18) to facilitate the issuance of participation notes, combination notes, composite securities and other similar securities;
- (19) to facilitate hedging transactions;
- (20) to facilitate the ability of the Issuer to lend collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement;
- (21) to modify any provision to facilitate an exchange of one security for another security of the same issuers that has substantially identical terms except transfer restrictions, including to effect any serial designation relating to the exchange;
- (22) with the consent of the Servicer to enter into any additional agreements not expressly prohibited by the Indenture as well as any amendment, modification, or waiver if the Issuer determines that the amendment, modification, or waiver would not, upon or after becoming effective, materially and adversely affect the rights or interest of the Holders of any Class of Securities, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Servicer, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities; *provided* that, for the avoidance of doubt, this clause (22) shall not permit the Co-Issuers and the Trustee to effect any amendment that expressly requires the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class without such consent;
- (23) to provide for the issuance of additional Preference Shares to the extent permitted by the Preference Share Documents and to extend to such additional Preference Shares the benefits applicable to the Preference Shares under the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents; or
- (24) to prevent the Issuer from becoming an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section

3(c)(7); *provided* that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer shall have received (A) a Rating Confirmation with respect to such supplemental indenture and (B) a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such supplemental indenture, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

Without the consent of the Servicer, no supplemental indenture may be entered into that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to the Servicer under the Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer. The Trustee is authorized to join in the execution of any such supplemental indenture and to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations that may be in the agreements, but the Trustee should not be obligated to enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties, liabilities or immunities under the Indenture or otherwise, except to the extent required by law. Unless notified by a Majority of any Class of Securities that the Class of Securities would be materially and adversely affected, the Trustee may rely on a certificate of the Servicer and an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) as to whether the interests of any Holder of Securities would be materially and adversely affected by any such supplemental indenture.

If any Outstanding Notes are rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee will enter into a supplemental indenture without the consent of Holders only if either (1) the Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the supplemental indenture or (2) the Servicer and the Holders of 100% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes the ratings on which would be reduced or withdrawn consent to the supplemental indenture. Prior to the entry into any supplemental Indenture with respect to which a Rating Confirmation for one or more Classes of Notes is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Note informing them of such fact.

At the cost of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee will mail to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), each Rating Agency (for so long as any Notes are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency) and each Hedge Counterparty a copy of any such proposed supplemental indenture at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee (or 60 calendar days before execution in the case of a supplemental indenture for the purpose described in clause (8) above, which shall be identified as such in a certificate of the Servicer delivered to the Trustee before the date on which such notice is required to be given).

#### *With Consent of Holders*

If the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency, with the consent of (a) the Servicer if the supplemental indenture would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under the Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer, (b) a Majority of each Class of Notes adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of each such Class of Notes, (c) a Majority of the Preference Shares adversely affected thereby, (d) each Hedge Counterparty (if such consent is required pursuant to the applicable Hedge Agreement) and (e) each Synthetic Security Counterparty (if such consent is required pursuant to the applicable Synthetic Security Agreement), the Trustee and the Co-Issuers may enter into a supplemental indenture to add any provisions to, or change in



any manner or eliminate any of the provisions of, the Indenture or modify in any manner the rights of the Holders of the Notes under the Indenture.

Any proposed supplemental indenture that would also necessitate a change to the Issuer Charter may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined therein) has been passed to permit the Issuer's constitutional documents to be altered to conform with such proposed change to the Indenture as certified to the Trustee by the Issuer.

Notwithstanding anything in the Indenture to the contrary, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected thereby and the Holder of each Outstanding Preference Share adversely affected thereby, no supplemental indenture shall:

(i) change the Stated Maturity of the principal of or the due date of any installment of interest on any Note or of any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares (other than in the case of any Maturity Extension in connection with an extension of the Replacement Period as described in "—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date"), reduce the principal amount or the rate of interest on any Note, or the Default Interest Rate or the Redemption Price with respect to any Note or Preference Share, or change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Share may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer, change the provisions of the Indenture relating to the application of proceeds of any Collateral to the payment of principal of or interest on Notes or to payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, or change any place where, or the coin or currency in which, Notes or their principal or interest are paid or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after their Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the applicable Redemption Date);

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class or Holders of Preference Shares whose consent is required for the authorization of any such supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of the Indenture or certain defaults under the Indenture or their consequences provided for in the Indenture;

(iii) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on a parity with the lien of the Indenture with respect to any part of the Collateral or terminate the lien on any property at any time subject hereto or deprive the Holder of any Note of the security afforded by the lien of the Indenture;

(iv) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class whose consent is required to request the Trustee to retain the Collateral pursuant to the Indenture or to sell or liquidate the Collateral pursuant to the Indenture;

(v) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture with respect to supplemental indentures or to provide that certain other provisions of the Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note and Preference Share affected thereby;

(vi) modify the definition of "Outstanding," "Controlling Class," or "Majority," or the Priority of Payments in the Indenture; or

(vii) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of Redemption Price or of interest or principal on any Note or any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the payment of dividends or other payments on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date or to affect the rights of the Holders of Notes or Preference Shares to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of the Notes or the Preference Shares contained in the Indenture.

Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the above provision, the Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, will mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), each Hedge Counterparty, each Synthetic Security Counterparty (to the extent required by the terms of the related Synthetic Security) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) a copy of such proposed supplemental indenture and will request any required consent from the applicable Holders of Securities to be given within the Initial Consent Period. Any consent given to a proposed supplemental indenture by the Holder of any Securities will be irrevocable and binding on all future Holders or beneficial owners of that Security, irrespective of the execution date of the supplemental indenture. If the Holders of less than the required percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the relevant Securities consent to a proposed supplemental indenture within the Initial Consent Period, on the first Business Day after the Initial Consent Period, the Trustee will notify the Issuer and the Servicer which Holders of Securities have consented to the proposed supplemental indenture and, which Holders (and, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the Trustee, which beneficial owners) have not consented to the proposed supplemental indenture. If it intends to exercise its Amendment Buy-Out Option, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must so notify the Trustee (which notice will designate a date for the Amendment Buy-Out to occur no earlier than 10 Business Days after the date of such notice) and S&P no later than five Business Days after the Servicer is so notified by the Trustee and the Trustee will promptly mail such notice to all Noteholders and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares). Any Non-Consenting Holder may give consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture until the 5th Business Day prior to the date of the Amendment Buy-Out designated by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and in such case will cease to be a Non-Consenting Holder for purposes of the Amendment Buy-Out. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser exercises its Amendment Buy-Out Option and purchases the applicable Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, as Holder or beneficial owner of the applicable Securities, may consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture within five Business Days of the Amendment Buy-Out.

It is not necessary for any Act of Noteholders under the above provision to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if the Act or consent approves its substance.

The Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, will mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), each Hedge Counterparty, each Synthetic Security Counterparty and each Rating Agency a copy of any supplemental indenture promptly after its execution by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee.

#### **Additional Issuance of Preference Shares**

The Preference Share Documents will provide that, at any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the proceeds from such issuance and sale to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or as otherwise permitted under the Preference Share Documents and the Indenture; *provided* that the following conditions are met: (a) the terms of the Preference Shares issued must be identical to the terms of previously issued Preference Shares and (b) the

net proceeds of any additional Preference Shares are used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations. Such additional Preference Shares may be offered and sold at prices that differ from the initial offering prices of the outstanding Preference Shares; *provided* that the initial offering prices of additional Preference Shares shall not be below 100% of the Face Amount thereof. The Issuer must cause purchases of additional Preference Shares made pursuant to an additional issuance of Preference Shares to comply individually and in the aggregate with the applicable purchase and transfer restrictions for the Preference Shares set forth herein in "Transfer Restrictions" and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

Any additional Preference Shares issued will, to the extent reasonably practicable, be offered by the Issuer first to the existing Holders of the Preference Shares, in such amounts as are necessary to preserve their *pro rata* holdings of the Preference Shares. By its acceptance of the Preference Shares, each Holder of a Preference Share agrees that additional Preference Shares can be issued in accordance with the Preference Share Documents and the Indenture without consent of any Holder of the Securities.

Except as contemplated in connection with a Refinancing, the Indenture does not permit the issuance of additional Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes, Class B Notes, Class C Notes, Class D Notes or Class E Notes or other obligations with terms similar to those of such Classes of Notes. See "—Redemption by Refinancing."

### **Amendment Buy-Out**

In the case of any supplemental indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Securities held by such Holders of the Class of Securities whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture (the "**Amendment Buy-Out Option**"), in each case, for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; *provided, however*, that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser may not exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option during the Non-Call Period in connection with a proposed amendment to reduce the rate of interest on any Securities or to change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Shares may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all such Securities of Non-Consenting Holders for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an "**Amendment Buy-Out**"); *provided* that if any Non-Consenting Holder holds Class II Preference Shares, such Non-Consenting Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares. By its acceptance of its Securities under the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents, as applicable, each Holder of Securities agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its applicable Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser. Neither the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser nor any other Person shall have any liability to any Holder or beneficial owner of Securities as a result of an election by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser not to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option.

All purchases made pursuant to an Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Securities set forth herein in "Transfer Restrictions" and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

## Notices

Notices to the Holders of the Securities will be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the registered Holders of the Notes at their respective addresses appearing in the Indenture Register and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares). If and for so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the ISE and the rules of the exchange so require, notice will also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

Any Holder or beneficial owner of any Class A-1 Notes or Class A-2 Notes may elect to acquire bond insurance, a surety bond, a credit default swap or similar credit enhancement supporting the payment of principal and/or interest on such Class A-1 Notes or Class A-2 Notes on terms and conditions acceptable to such Holder or beneficial owner and at the sole expense of such Holder or beneficial owner. On or after any such acquisition, such Holder or beneficial owner may deliver notice (and if from a beneficial owner, any such notice shall include certification that such owner is a beneficial owner of the Class A-1 Notes or Class A-2 Notes, as applicable) to the Trustee in substantially the form set out in the Indenture, specifying the name and contact information of the insurer, surety, credit protection seller or enhancer of such Class A-1 Notes or Class A-2 Notes, as applicable (each, an "**Insurer**"). After receipt of any such notice by the Trustee, the Trustee shall copy the related Insurer on all notices, reports or other documents delivered to the Noteholders.

## Certain Covenants

The Indenture contains certain covenants restricting the conduct of the Co-Issuers, including (i) restrictions on consolidations, mergers and transfers or conveyances of assets involving either Co-Issuer, (ii) restrictions on incurrence of debt other than the Notes and certain obligations incidental to the performance by each Co-Issuer of its obligations under the Indenture, (iii) restrictions on the ability of either Co-Issuer to conduct activities inconsistent with its special-purpose nature and (iv) certain restrictions on amendments of the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Servicing Agreement.

## Certain Additional Issues Relating to Listing of Notes

Application has been made to admit each Class of Notes to the Official List of the ISE. There can be no assurance that any such admission will be granted or maintained.

The Indenture provides that, so long as any Notes remain Outstanding, the Co-Issuers shall use all reasonable efforts to obtain and maintain the listing of the Notes on the regulated market of the ISE; *provided* that the Co-Issuers will not be required to maintain a listing on a stock exchange in the European Union if compliance with requirements of the European Commission on a member state becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer.

## Cancellation

All Securities that are paid in full or redeemed and surrendered for cancellation will forthwith be canceled and may not be reissued or resold.

## No Gross-Up

All payments made by the Issuer under the Securities will be made without any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax unless the deduction or withholding is required by any applicable law, as modified by the practice of any relevant governmental revenue authority, then in effect.

If the Issuer is so required to deduct or withhold, then the Issuer will not be obligated to pay any additional amounts in respect of the withholding or deduction.

### **Tax Characterization**

The Issuer intends to treat the Notes as debt instruments of the Issuer only for accounting, financial reporting and U.S. federal and, to the extent permitted by law, state and local income and franchise tax purposes. The Indenture will provide that each registered holder and beneficial owner, by accepting a Note, agrees to such treatment, to report all income (or loss) in accordance with such treatment and not to take any action inconsistent with such treatment unless otherwise required by any relevant taxing authority.

### **Petitions for Bankruptcy**

The Indenture provides that none of the Trustee, each Synthetic Security Counterparty, each Hedge Counterparty, the Servicer and the Holders of the Notes may cause the Issuer or Co-Issuer to petition for bankruptcy before one year and one day have elapsed since the final payments to the Holders of all Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, including any period established pursuant to the laws of the Cayman Islands.

### **Standard of Conduct**

The Indenture provides that, in exercising any of its or their voting rights, rights to direct and consent or any other rights as a Noteholder under the Indenture, subject to the terms and conditions of the Indenture, a Noteholder shall not have any obligation or duty to any Person or to consider or take into account the interests of any Person and shall not be liable to any Person for any action taken by it or them or at its or their direction or any failure by it or them to act or to direct that an action be taken, without regard to whether the action or inaction benefits or adversely affects any Noteholder, the Issuer, or any other Person, except for any liability to which the Noteholder may be subject to the extent the same results from the Noteholder's taking or directing an action, or failing to take or direct an action, in bad faith or in violation of the express terms of the Indenture.

### **Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture**

The Indenture will be discharged with respect to the Collateral upon delivery to the Trustee for cancellation of all of the Notes, or, within certain limitations (including the obligation to pay interest on or principal of the Notes) upon deposit with the Trustee of funds sufficient for the payment or redemption thereof and the payment by the Co-Issuers or the Issuer, as applicable, of all other amounts due under the Indenture.

### **Trustee**

State Street Bank and Trust Company will be the Trustee under the Indenture. The Co-Issuers, the Servicer and their respective Affiliates may maintain other banking relationships in the ordinary course of business with the Trustee and its Affiliates. The payment of the fees and expenses of the Trustee relating to the Notes is solely the obligation of the Issuer. The payment of the fees and expenses, which will be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments, is secured by a lien on the Collateral which is senior to the lien of the Holders of the Notes. The Trustee and its Affiliates may receive compensation in connection with the purchase of trust assets in certain Eligible Investments as provided in the Indenture. Eligible Investments may include assets for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee is the obligor or depository institution or provide services. The Indenture contains provisions for

the indemnification of the Trustee for any loss, liability or expense (including reasonable attorney's fees and costs) incurred without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of the Indenture.

Pursuant to the Indenture, as security for the payment by the Issuer of the compensation and expenses of the Trustee and any sums the Trustee may be entitled to receive as indemnification by the Issuer, the Issuer will grant the Trustee a senior lien on the Collateral, which is senior to the lien of the holders of the Secured Obligations on the Collateral.

Pursuant to the Indenture, the Trustee may resign at any time by providing 30 days' written notice to the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Holders of each Class of Notes, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency, upon receipt of which the Co-Issuers shall by board resolution (or, if an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class) promptly appoint a successor trustee that meets the requirements set forth in the Indenture. If no successor trustee is appointed within 60 days after such notice, the resigning Trustee or any Holder of a Class of Notes may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of such successor. The Trustee may be removed (i) at any time by the Co-Issuers as directed by board resolution (or, if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, by a Majority of the Controlling Class) or (ii) by order of a court of competent jurisdiction. If at any time the Trustee ceases to be an eligible trustee under the Indenture and fails to resign after written request by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class, or the Trustee becomes incapable of acting or is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent, then (A) the Co-Issuers may, and at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall, remove the Trustee, or (B) any Holder of a Security may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor trustee. If the Trustee is removed or becomes incapable of acting, or if a vacancy occurs in the office of the Trustee for any reason (other than resignation), the Co-Issuers shall promptly appoint a successor trustee. If the Co-Issuers fail to appoint a successor trustee within 60 days after the removal or incapability or the occurrence of the vacancy, a successor trustee may be appointed by a Majority of the Controlling Class by written instrument. If no successor trustee has been so appointed by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class, then the Trustee to be replaced or any Holder of a Security, may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor trustee. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, no resignation or removal of the Trustee will become effective until the acceptance of appointment by a successor trustee pursuant to the terms of the Indenture.

### **Governing Law**

The Notes, the Indenture, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Subscription Agreements, the Securities Lending Agreements and the Hedge Agreements will be governed by the laws of the State of New York. The Administration Agreement and the Issuer Charter will be governed by the laws of the Cayman Islands.

### **Method of Payments**

Payments of principal and interest on any Note or payments on or in respect of the Preference Shares (including any Redemption Price paid on the applicable Redemption Date) and of any payments on any Notes or Preference Shares will be made to the person in whose name the related Note or Preference Share is registered 15 days before the applicable Payment Date (the "**Record Date**"). Payments will be made (i) in the case of a Global Note, to the Depository or its designee and to the Holder or its nominee with respect to a Definitive Security, by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a United States dollar account maintained by the Depository or its nominee with respect to a

Global Note and to the Holder or its designee with respect to a Definitive Security if the Holder has provided written wiring instructions to the Trustee on or before the related Record Date or, (ii) if appropriate wiring instructions are not received by the related Record Date, by check drawn on a U.S. bank mailed to the address of the Holder in the Indenture Register (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Preference Share register). Final payments of principal of the Notes or Preference Shares will be made against surrender of the related Notes or Preference Shares at the office designated by the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent. None of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers, any paying agent, or any of their respective affiliates will have any responsibility or liability for any aspects of the records maintained by the Depository or its nominee or any of its direct or indirect participants (including Euroclear or Clearstream or any of their respective direct or indirect participants) relating to payments made on account of beneficial interests in a Global Note.

The Co-Issuers expect that the Depository or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment of principal or interest in respect of a Global Note held by the Depository or its nominee, will immediately credit participants' accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the Global Note as shown on the records of the Depository or its nominee. The Co-Issuers also expect that payments by participants (i.e., direct participants) to owners of beneficial interests in a Global Note held through the participants (i.e., indirect participants) will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers registered in the names of nominees for the customers. The payments will be the responsibility of the participants.

For so long as any Notes are listed on the ISE and the rules of the exchange shall so require, the Issuer and the Co-Issuers, as applicable, will have the Irish Paying Agent for the Notes in Ireland. If the Irish Paying Agent is replaced at any time during the period, notice of the appointment of any replacement will be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

## **Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement**

### *General*

Pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agent will perform various fiscal services with respect to the Preference Shares on behalf of the Issuer, including the maintenance of the Preference Shares Distribution Account and the making of distributions on the Preference Shares. The Preference Shares Paying Agent will deliver or request the Trustee to deliver all Monthly Reports and Valuation Reports prepared pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deliver, or shall cause the Trustee to deliver, a copy of any other notice or information it receives from the Trustee under the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case (i) by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to each Holder of a Preference Share at the address appearing in the Preference Share register or (ii) with respect to delivery of Monthly Reports and Valuation Reports, by making such reports available via its internet website, initially located at <http://www.cdocalc.com/ibt/cdo/>. All information made available on the Preference Shares Paying Agent's website will be restricted and the Preference Shares Paying Agent will only provide access to such reports to those parties entitled thereto pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. In connection with providing access to its website, the Preference Shares Paying Agent may require registration and the acceptance of a disclaimer. Questions regarding the Preference Shares Paying Agent's website can be directed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent's customer service desk at (617) 937-5585. The payment of the fees and expenses of the Preference Shares Paying Agent is solely the obligation of the Issuer. The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement contains provisions for the indemnification of the Preference Shares Paying Agent for any loss, liability or expense incurred

without gross negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith on its part, arising out of or in connection with the performance of its function under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

#### *Redemption*

On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Issuer is scheduled to redeem the Preference Shares for a redemption price equal to all amounts distributable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares as provided under "—Priority of Payments," unless the Preference Shares have been redeemed earlier through an optional redemption as described herein or otherwise.

#### *Governing Law*

The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York. The rights of the Holders of the Preference Shares will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the Cayman Islands.

#### *Redesignation of Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares*

The Share Registrar will record in the register maintained by it which Preference Shares are held by HFP or any of its subsidiaries. Such Preference Shares will be designated by the Share Registrar as Class II Preference Shares. Any transfer of Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to any Person other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries will require redesignation by the Share Registrar of such Class II Preference Shares into Class I Preference Shares and any transfer of Class I Preference Shares to HFP or any of its subsidiaries will require redesignation by the Share Registrar of such Class I Preference Shares into Class II Preference Shares.

#### *Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities*

If the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, desires to make distributions of Eligible Equity Securities on any Payment Date in lieu of Interest Proceeds that are otherwise available for distribution to the Holders of Preference Shares on such Payment Date pursuant to the Priority of Payments, the Servicer will notify the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent not later than 20 calendar days prior to such Payment Date and provide the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding on the Record Date or promptly thereafter, but in any event no later than two Business Days after the Record Date, to each Holder of the Preference Shares registered as such on the Record Date for such Payment Date) with (i) details of the Eligible Equity Securities to be distributed, (ii) the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities determined as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date, (iii) any other information considered necessary by the Servicer in connection with such proposed distribution and (iv) any information as otherwise required by the Trustee and/or the Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such proposed distribution. The Preference Shares Paying Agent will then mail such materials, within two Business Days of its receipt thereof from the Servicer, to each registered Holder of Preference Shares on the Record Date for such Payment Date along with a form of notice and consent (in a form attached to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement) seeking the written consent of each such Holder of Preference Shares to distribute such Eligible Equity Securities to such Holder in lieu of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date. Each Holder of the Preference Shares wishing to receive such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of a distribution of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such applicable Payment Date (each such Holder with respect to such Payment Date, a "**Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares**") must deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent a written consent (which consent will be irrevocable) not later than five Business Days prior to such Payment Date. If any Holder



of Preference Shares does not timely deliver its written consent to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in the manner set forth in such notice indicating its consent to the receipt of such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of a distribution of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date, such Holder will be deemed to have not given its consent and shall not be a Consenting Holder of Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. On each applicable Payment Date (or as soon thereafter as reasonably practicable), Eligible Equity Securities will be distributed *pro rata* to each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. Each Holder of Preference Shares that is not a Consenting Holder of Preference Shares (and, for the avoidance of doubt, each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares to the extent the Market Value as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date of the *pro rata* portion of Eligible Equity Securities distributed to it on such Payment Date is less than the *pro rata* portion of the Interest Proceeds that it would have received on such Payment Date had the Eligible Equity Securities not been distributed on such Payment Date) on any applicable Payment Date will receive a distribution of Interest Proceeds to the extent available in accordance with the Priority of Payments on such Payment Date. See "Description of the Securities-Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds."

#### *Amendment*

*Without the Consent of Holders.* The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement may be amended by the parties thereto, without the consent of the Holders of any Preference Shares, for the purpose of curing any ambiguity, or of curing, correcting or supplementing any defective provision contained therein, or in regard to matters or questions arising under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement as the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem necessary or desirable and which shall not materially adversely affect the interests of Holders of the Preference Shares. In addition, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement may be amended without the consent of any Holders of the Preference Shares and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Preference Shares in order to prevent the Issuer from becoming an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); *provided that*, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such amendment, each of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer shall have received a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such amendment, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

*With the consent of Holders.* Unless otherwise set forth in the preceding paragraph, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement may be amended with the consent of Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares materially and adversely affected thereby.

Any amendment to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement must be in writing, executed by each party thereto. The Preference Shares Paying Agent is entitled to receive, and (subject to the terms of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an opinion of counsel, consent or certificate of the Issuer in determining whether or not any proposed amendment is permitted under Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

Any amendment to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement that would also necessitate a change to the Issuer Charter may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Issuer Charter) has been passed to permit the Issuer Charter to be altered to conform with such proposed amendment.

### *Tax Characterization of the Preference Shares*

The Issuer intends to treat the Preference Shares as equity interests in the Issuer only for accounting, financial reporting and U.S. federal income tax purposes and, to the extent permitted by law, state and local income and franchise tax purposes. The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement will provide that each Preference Shareholder, by accepting a Preference Share, agrees to such treatment and agrees to report all income (or loss) from each Preference Share in accordance with such characterization, except as otherwise required by any relevant taxing authority.

### **The Issuer Charter**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Issuer Charter relating to the Preference Shares that are not referred to elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum.

#### *Voting Rights*

Other than as provided below, only the holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares shall have the right to receive notice of, attend at and vote as a shareholder of the Issuer at any general meeting of the Issuer. Every holder of an Issuer Ordinary Share present at any meeting shall, on a show of hands, be entitled to one vote and, on a poll, shall be entitled to one vote per Issuer Ordinary Share held by such holder.

Other than as provided below, the Holders of the Preference Shares shall have the right to receive notice of, attend at and vote as a shareholder of the Issuer at any general meeting of the Issuer only in respect of a resolution which relates to any circumstance or matter which under the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents or the Servicing Agreement can take place or occur only at the direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares (a "**Preference Share Vote**"). Every Holder of Preference Shares present shall, on a show of hands, be entitled to one vote and, on a poll, shall be entitled to one vote per Preference Share held by such Holder except that, in relation to a Preference Share Vote relating to certain matters (as set out in the Indenture) Preference Shares held by certain Holders (as set out in the Indenture), shall be ignored.

The Class II Preference Shares will have total control with respect to the appointment and removal of the directors of the Issuer as long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is higher than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date. If the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is lower than or equal to the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date, only the Issuer Ordinary Shares will be entitled to vote with respect to the appointment and removal of the directors of the Issuer.

#### *Liquidation*

In the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Issuer:

(i) the Holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares at the time outstanding will be entitled to receive out of the assets of the Issuer available for distribution to shareholders, before any distribution of assets is made to Holders of the Preference Shares, an amount equal to U.S.\$2.00 in respect of each Issuer Ordinary Share held by each such holder; and

(ii) the Holders of the Preference Shares at the time Outstanding will be entitled to the balance of the assets of the Issuer available for distribution to shareholders, after distribution of amounts

due to holders of Issuer Ordinary Shares under the above subparagraph, *pro rata* according to the number of Preference Shares held by each such holder.

If the assets available for distribution to holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares are not sufficient to pay to such holders U.S.\$2.00 in respect of each Issuer Ordinary Share, the available assets shall be distributed to holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares *pro rata* according to the number of Issuer Ordinary Shares held by each such holder.

*Transfer*

The rights of a Holder of a Preference Share to transfer such Preference Share are subject to restrictions set out in the Preference Share Documents and as described in "Transfer Restrictions."

*Petitions for Bankruptcy*

Each Holder of a Preference Share will be required to agree (or be deemed to have agreed) not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect.

### **USE OF PROCEEDS**

The Securities will be issued and sold for Cash on the Closing Date. The gross proceeds of the offering of the Securities received on the Closing Date are expected to equal approximately \$700,000,000. The gross proceeds will be used by the Issuer to:

- purchase a portfolio of Collateral Obligations;
- fund the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to cover any future draws on Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans;
- enter into any Hedge Agreements, as applicable;
- enter into Synthetic Security Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the related accounts);
- repurchase participations made by the Pre-Closing Participant to finance the Issuer's pre-closing acquisition of Collateral Obligations;
- fund the Closing Date Expense Account;
- pay certain organizational and structuring fees expenses related to the transaction; and
- undertake certain related activities.

## SECURITY FOR THE NOTES

The Notes and the Issuer's obligations under the Hedge Agreements and the Servicing Agreement will be secured by the following:

- (i) the Collateral Obligations and all Workout Assets;
- (ii) the Custodial Account, the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Securities Lending Account (such accounts, collectively, the "**Issuer Accounts**"), Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, and all income from funds in the Issuer Accounts;
- (iii) the Issuer's rights with respect to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and any Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account (and together with the Issuer Accounts, the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account and the Preference Shares Distribution Account, the "**Accounts**");
- (iv) the Issuer's rights under the Servicing Agreement, the Securities Lending Agreements, the Hedge Agreements and the Collateral Administration Agreement to the extent of any rights of the Issuer therein;
- (v) all Cash or money delivered to the Trustee (or its bailee); and
- (vi) all proceeds with respect to the foregoing (collectively, the "**Collateral**").

For the avoidance of any doubt, Collateral will exclude (i) amounts released from the Trustee's lien in connection with certain Synthetic Securities, Hedge Agreements and Securities Lending Agreements in accordance with the Indenture and (ii) the Excluded Property.

### Purchase of Collateral Obligations

The Indenture will provide that the Servicer will use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the Issuer to purchase or enter into binding commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations that meet certain minimum amounts and characteristics. The composition of the portfolio of Collateral Obligations will be determined by the selections of the Servicer designed to meet the Eligibility Criteria, the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests and the requirements provided in paragraphs (i) through (ix) in "—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations." See "—Eligibility Criteria," "—The Collateral Quality Tests," "—The Coverage Tests" and "—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations."

The Servicer expects that, by the end of the Ramp-Up Period, the Issuer will have purchased or committed to purchase Collateral Obligations having an Aggregate Principal Balance of approximately U.S.\$687,400,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date).

The Servicing Agreement provides that in purchasing, entering into, managing, selling or terminating Collateral Obligations on behalf of the Issuer, the Servicer shall be deemed to have satisfied

the requirements in paragraph (xxix) of the definition of Collateral Obligation that the Issuer not become subject to United States net income tax if it follows certain guidelines.

### **Eligibility Criteria**

On any date during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, on any date after the Replacement Period), so long as no Event of Default is continuing, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to apply Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations) to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Synthetic Security Reserve Account, the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) if the conditions specified in the Indenture are satisfied. No obligations may be purchased unless each of the conditions in the following clauses (1) through (12) (the "**Eligibility Criteria**") is satisfied as evidenced by a certificate of the Servicer as of the date the Issuer commits to make the purchase, in each case after giving effect to the purchase and all other purchases and sales previously or simultaneously committed to:

- (1) the obligation is a Collateral Obligation;
- (2) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period:
  - (A) each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied and, if the commitment is made on or after the second Payment Date, each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied; or
  - (B) if any such Coverage Test is not satisfied, both:
    - (i) the extent of satisfaction of the Coverage Test is not reduced; and
    - (ii) the Collateral Obligation is being purchased with Principal Proceeds other than:
      - (x) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or
      - (y) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Workout Asset that has been received in exchange for a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
- (3) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Diversity Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (4) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced; provided that the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor does not exceed 2750 or, if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor exceeds 2750 prior to giving effect to such purchase or sale, the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor is not increased;

- (5) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, each of the limits in the definition of "Concentration Limitations" is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (6) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (7) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (8) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (9) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (10) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (11) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced; *provided, however*, that this Eligibility Criterion (11) shall not apply either to the application of the proceeds from the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset or to the application of Principal Proceeds in respect of Defaulted Collateral Obligations; and
- (12) for any date occurring after the Replacement Period:
  - (A) each Coverage Test is satisfied and the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
  - (B) each Collateral Quality Test is satisfied or, in the case of the Diversity Test and the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, maintained or improved; *provided* that if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor exceeds 2750 prior to giving effect to such purchase or sale, the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor is not increased and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied;
  - (C) each Concentration Limitation is maintained or improved and the Aggregate Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations do not exceed 7.5% of the Maximum Amount;
  - (D) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation is at least equal to the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments or of the Credit Risk Obligations or Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable;
  - (E) the current Moody's Rating on the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes is "Aaa" and the current Moody's Ratings on the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes are no lower than one subcategory below their initial rating; and

(F) the stated maturity of such Collateral Obligation is equal to or earlier than the stated maturity of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments or of the Credit Risk Obligations or Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to purchase any Collateral Obligation following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal or resignation pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement until a successor servicer is appointed pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement. See "The Servicing Agreement."

The Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, exchange a Collateral Obligation for another Collateral Obligation in an exchange of one security for another security of the same issuers that has substantially identical terms except transfer restrictions.

Cash on deposit in the Collection Account may be held in Eligible Investments in accordance with this "Eligibility Criteria" section pending the application thereof to purchase Collateral Obligations.

The Indenture provides that any sale or purchase by the Issuer of a Collateral Obligation shall be conducted on an arm's length basis and, if effected with the Servicer or a person Affiliated with the Servicer or any fund or account for which the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer acts as investment adviser, shall be effected in accordance with the requirements the Servicing Agreement on terms no less favorable to the Issuer than would be the case if the person were not so Affiliated.

### **The Collateral Quality Tests**

The Collateral Quality Tests will be used primarily as criteria for purchasing Collateral Obligations. See "—Eligibility Criteria" above and "—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations" below. The Collateral Quality Tests are described below.

Measurement of the degree of compliance with the Collateral Quality Tests will be required on each Measurement Date on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

#### *The Diversity Test*

The "**Diversity Test**" is a test that will be satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Diversity Score as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score. For the purposes of calculating the Diversity Test, any Structured Finance Obligation that is (i) a collateralized loan obligation, (ii) any Synthetic Security with respect to which the Reference Obligation is a collateralized loan obligation or (iii) any Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time will be disregarded.

#### *Weighted Average Life Test*

The "**Weighted Average Life Test**" is a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the greater of (a) the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and November 1, 2017 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date and (b) 3.0 years.



*Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test*

The "**Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test**" is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody's Weighted Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 43.6%.

*S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test*

The "**S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test**" is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Class A S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test, Class B S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test, Class C S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test, Class D S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test and the Class E S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test is satisfied

*Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test*

The "**Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test**" is a test that is satisfied if, as of any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 7.5%.

*Weighted Average Spread Test*

The "**Weighted Average Spread Test**" is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread *minus* (y) the Moody's Weighted Average Spread Recovery Modifier.

*Weighted Average Rating Factor Test*

The "**Weighted Average Rating Factor Test**" is a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of the Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor *plus* (y) the Moody's Weighted Average Rating Factor Recovery Rate Modifier.

*S&P CDO Monitor Test*

The "**S&P CDO Monitor Test**" is a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive. The S&P CDO Monitor Test shall be considered to be improved if each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is at least equal to the corresponding Note Class Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio. The S&P CDO Monitor Test is not required to be satisfied or improved upon the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation and the application of the related Sale Proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations. For purposes of the S&P CDO Monitor Test,

- (i) the S&P Rating of any S&P Unrated DIP Loan shall be "CCC;" and
- (ii) the S&P Industry Classification for a Synthetic Security shall be that of the related Reference Obligation and not the Synthetic Security.

The "**Note Class Loss Differential**" with respect to any Measurement Date and any Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the rate calculated by subtracting the Class Scenario Loss Rate for the Class from the then-applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate for the Class of Notes.

The "**Note Break-Even Loss Rate**" with respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the maximum percentage of defaults that the Current Portfolio or Proposed Portfolio can sustain and nevertheless sufficient funds will remain for the payment of principal of the Class of Notes in full by its Stated Maturity and the timely payment of interest on the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes and the ultimate payment of interest on the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes using S&P's assumptions on recoveries, defaults, and timing, and taking into account the Priority of Payments and the adjusted Weighted Average Spread level specified in the applicable row of the table below. The adjusted Weighted Average Spread as of any Measurement Date is the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date *minus* the amount of any Spread Excess added to the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon as of the Measurement Date.

<b>Row</b>	<b>Adjusted Weighted Average Spread</b>
1	Greater than or equal to 3.20%
2	Greater than or equal to 3.10% but less than 3.20%
3	Greater than or equal to 3.00% but less than 3.10%
4	Greater than or equal to 2.90% but less than 3.00%
5	Greater than or equal to 2.80% but less than 2.90%
6	Greater than or equal to 2.70% but less than 2.80%
7	Greater than or equal to 2.60% but less than 2.70%
8	Greater than or equal to 2.50% but less than 2.60%
9	Greater than or equal to 2.40% but less than 2.50%
10	Greater than or equal to 2.30% but less than 2.40%
11	Greater than or equal to 2.20% but less than 2.30%
12	Greater than or equal to 2.10% but less than 2.20%
13	Greater than or equal to 2.00% but less than 2.10%

## **The Coverage Tests**

### *General*

The Coverage Tests will be used to determine, among other things, whether Notes will be redeemed in certain circumstances as described under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments" and whether additional Collateral Obligations may be acquired as described under "—Eligibility Criteria." There will not be any Coverage Test applicable to the Preference Shares.

### *The Overcollateralization Tests*

The "**Overcollateralization Tests**" will consist of the Class A/B Overcollateralization Test, the Class C Overcollateralization Test, the Class D Overcollateralization Test and the Class E Overcollateralization Test.

Each Overcollateralization Test will be satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes on any Measurement Date if, as of such Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the specified required level for the Class indicated in the table in "Summary of Terms—The Overcollateralization Tests."

The Overcollateralization Ratio, with respect to each Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, is referred to as an "**Overcollateralization Ratio**," and is the ratio calculated by *dividing*:

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator; by
- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it (excluding any Deferred Interest on such Notes and all Notes ranking senior to such Notes).

The "**Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator**" is, on any date, the sum of:

- (1) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (other than any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, any Deep Discount Obligations and any Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an "event of default" (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing); *plus*
- (2) unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal (excluding any unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal in respect of Non-Performing Collateral Obligations); *plus*
- (3) the Aggregate Principal Balance of any Eligible Investments that were purchased with Principal Proceeds and the amount of Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
- (4) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Eligible Investments on deposit in a Securities Lending Account that relate to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an "event of default" (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing; *plus*
- (5) with respect to Collateral Obligations that are Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, Deep Discount Obligations or Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, the amount determined by using one of the following methods applicable to such type of Collateral Obligation; *provided* that if a Collateral Obligation falls within more than one of such types, the Issuer will be required to use the method that results in the smallest amount:
  - (A) with respect to any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, an amount equal to the product of (i) the CCC+/Caa1 Excess Market Value Percentage, *multiplied* by (ii) the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations;
  - (B) with respect to any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, the aggregate of the Applicable Collateral Obligation Amounts for all included Non-Performing Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations that have been held by the Issuer for more than three years, which shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this clause (B)); and
  - (C) with respect to any Deep Discount Obligations, the Aggregate Purchase Price Amount for all Deep Discount Obligations.

**"Applicable Collateral Obligation Amount"** for any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation means:

- (1) the lesser of (x) the Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation and (y) the Applicable Percentage for the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation *multiplied* by:
- (2) if the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation is:
  - (A) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (B) through (D) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
  - (B) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
  - (C) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any Unfunded Amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the Unfunded Amount); and
  - (D) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

As used in the calculation of Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation, the Principal Balance of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall be, if the Defaulted Collateral Obligation is:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (ii) through (iv) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any Unfunded Amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the Unfunded Amount); and
- (iv) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

#### *The Interest Coverage Tests*

The Interest Coverage Test in respect of each Class of Notes (each an **"Interest Coverage Test"**) is a test the first Measurement Date for which will be on the second Payment Date and that is satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level specified in the table in "Summary of Terms— The Interest Coverage Tests."

The **"Interest Coverage Ratio"** with respect to any specified Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by dividing:

- (i) the sum of:
  - (A) the Interest Proceeds received or scheduled to be received with respect to the Due Period in which the Measurement Date occurs; *minus*

- (B) amounts payable under clauses (1), (2), (3) and (4) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" on the related Payment Date; by
- (ii) all accrued and unpaid interest on the specified Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to the Class, including any Deferred Interest on the related Payment Date.

For purposes of the Interest Coverage Ratio, only the amount of any interest payment (including any "gross up" payment) on any Collateral Obligation in excess of any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction on any date of determination shall be included in Interest Proceeds.

#### *Retention Overcollateralization Test*

The "**Retention Overcollateralization Test**" is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date during the Replacement Period on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Retention Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 104.91%.

#### **Interim Ramp-Up Tests**

On the date occurring 45 days after the Closing Date (the "**Interim Ramp-Up Test Date**"), the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall submit to Moody's a statement showing compliance with the Interim Ramp-Up Test specified in the Interim Ramp-Up Test table below. Should the results of any such Interim Ramp-Up Test fail to comply with the levels established for such Interim Ramp-Up Test Date by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, and that are acceptable to Moody's, the Issuer shall discuss a plan with Moody's for achieving compliance with such tests by the Ramp-Up Completion Date at the levels required on the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

#### **Interim Ramp-Up Test**

<b>Minimum Moody's Weighted Average Recovery Rate</b>	<b>Minimum Diversity Score</b>	<b>Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor</b>	<b>Minimum Weighted Average Spread</b>	<b>Minimum Aggregate Principal Balance</b>
46%	60	2550	250	U.S.\$666,800,000

#### **Ramp-Up**

In connection with the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer shall use its best efforts to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period or enter into commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period for purchase on or as soon as practicable thereafter (not to exceed 60 days thereafter), in each case, for inclusion in the Collateral so that the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes is at least U.S.\$687,400,000.

No Collateral Obligations may be purchased prior to the Ramp-Up Completion Date unless immediately following the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (as certified by the Servicer in writing), the remaining funds in the Collection Account, after giving effect to such purchase, are sufficient as of the

date of determination to purchase Collateral Obligations for inclusion in the Collateral so that the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes is at least U.S.\$687,400,000 (taking into account the Collateral Obligations already part of the Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date)).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, or any other provision of the Indenture, if the Issuer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase a Collateral Obligation to be included in the Collateral, such commitment initially not to exceed 60 days, and at the time of the commitment the Collateral Obligation complied with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set forth under "—Ramp-Up," the Issuer may consummate the purchase of the Collateral Obligation notwithstanding that the Collateral Obligation fails to comply with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set out above on the date of settlement.

The Issuer will use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase, or to enter into binding agreements to purchase, Collateral Obligations by the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that, together with the Collateral Obligations purchased on or before the Closing Date and then held by the Issuer, will satisfy, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date), the Collateral Quality Tests, the Concentration Limitations, the criteria set forth in the Indenture and the Overcollateralization Tests.

No later than five Business Days after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer or the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) shall deliver a Ramp-Up Notice to each of the Rating Agencies and request in writing that each of S&P and Moody's confirm in writing within 25 days of delivery of such Ramp-Up Notice that it has not reduced or withdrawn the Initial Ratings; *provided*, however, that the Issuer shall not be required to request a Rating Confirmation from Moody's if, prior to the Ramp-Up Completion Date Moody's has received, as described below, an accountant's certificate confirming (i) the Issuer is in compliance with each of the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests and the Concentration Limits and (ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owns or has committed to purchase is at least equal to \$687,400,000. In connection with such request or, in the case of Moody's, in lieu of such request, the Issuer shall provide a report to the Rating Agencies identifying the Collateral Obligations then included in the Collateral and the Issuer shall obtain and deliver to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies, together with the delivery of a report (and, with respect to S&P, the Excel Default Model Input File and, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, the name of the obligor thereon and the CUSIP number thereof (if applicable)) substantially in the form of a Monthly Report as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, an accountants' certificate:

(i) confirming the maturity date, rating, spread and recovery rate for each item of original Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date and the information provided by the Issuer with respect to every other asset included in the Collateral, by reference to such sources as shall be specified therein;

(ii) confirming that as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date:

(1) each of the Coverage Tests are satisfied;

(2) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owned or committed to purchase as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date is at least equal to the Maximum Amount; and

(3) the Collateral Obligations comply with all of the requirements of the Collateral Quality Tests and the Concentration Limitations and the criteria set forth in "—Eligibility Criteria;" and

(iii) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing statements.

If the Issuer is unable to obtain a requested Rating Confirmation from either S&P or, if required, Moody's with respect to any Class of Notes prior to the date 25 days after the delivery of the Ramp-Up Notice, as described above, a Rating Confirmation Failure will be deemed to have occurred (a "**Rating Confirmation Failure**"). If a Rating Confirmation Failure should occur, the Notes will be redeemed pursuant to the Indenture and as described in "Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes upon Rating Confirmation Failure."

### **Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations**

Pursuant to the Indenture and so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell (and the Trustee will sell) any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset if the sale meets the requirements in paragraphs (i) through (ix) below:

- (i) *Credit Risk Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Risk Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Risk Obligation in accordance with such direction. Following any sale of a Credit Risk Obligation pursuant to the Indenture, at the direction of the Servicer during the Replacement Period, the Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (to the extent the purchase is in the best interest of the Issuer) meeting the Eligibility Criteria with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Sale Proceeds received by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral Obligation sold. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its Funded Amount.
- (ii) *Credit Improved Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Improved Obligation if either:
  - (1) during the Replacement Period, the Servicer has identified in writing before the sale one or more specific manners in which it will be able, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria and the requirements set forth in paragraph (ix) below, to cause the Issuer to use the Sale Proceeds (it being understood that such identification shall not be considered either a requirement or an assurance that any specified purchase will be consummated) to purchase one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Credit Improved Obligation by the end of the immediately succeeding Due Period (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its Funded Amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest) which in aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Tests, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied or if one or more of such

Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith being improved, (ii) the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests and Concentration Limitations being improved on a net basis in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased; and

- (2) after the Replacement Period, the Sale Proceeds received in respect of the Credit Improved Obligation are at least equal to its Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its Funded Amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest);

and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Improved Obligation in accordance with such direction.

- (iii) *Non-Performing Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction. Non-Performing Collateral Obligations may be sold regardless of price.
- (iv) *Non-qualifying Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation (the "**Non-Qualifying Collateral Obligation**") at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell that obligation in accordance with such direction.
- (v) *Withholding Tax Sales.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation subject to withholding tax at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction.
- (vi) *Optional Redemption.* After the Issuer has notified the Trustee of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all or a portion of the Collateral Obligations as contemplated therein if (A) the requirements in respect of an Optional Redemption under the Indenture have been satisfied and (B) the independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to the Indenture have confirmed the calculations contained in any required certificate furnished by the Servicer pursuant to the Indenture's Note redemption procedure provisions. After the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares have directed an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Indenture, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all of the remaining Collateral Obligations (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to clause (i) under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares") or a portion of the remaining



Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous directions of Holders of the Preference Shares (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to clause (ii) under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares") and the Trustee shall sell the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

- (vii) *Rating Confirmation Failure.* After the Servicer has received notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Securities, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell Collateral Obligations as contemplated in the Indenture and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.
- (viii) *Workout Assets.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Workout Asset at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and regardless of price and the Trustee shall sell the Workout Assets in accordance with such direction.
- (ix) *Tax Sales.* The Issuer must sell (not merely hedge) any Eligible Equity Security or security or other consideration that is received in an exchange and any Defaulted Collateral Obligation or any other obligation or security that in each case does not comply with paragraphs (xv), (xxviii) or (xxix) of the definition of Collateral Obligation not later than five Business Days after the Issuer's receipt thereof (or within five Business Days of such later date as such security may first be sold of in accordance with its terms and applicable law).
- (x) *Supervening Requirement.* Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Issuer (at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise) will not acquire or dispose of a Collateral Obligation or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. For the avoidance of doubt, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise, may direct the Trustee to sell any CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation or Deep Discount Obligation only (a) if it constitutes a Credit Risk Obligation or Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or (b) in connection with the Optional Redemption as set out in paragraph (vi) above. The Trustee will have no obligation to monitor compliance by the Issuer or the Servicer with respect to the requirement set out in this paragraph.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation (other than the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation or a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation pursuant to a sale that meets the requirements in paragraph (i) or (iii) above, as applicable) following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement until a successor servicer is appointed pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement. See "The Servicing Agreement."

#### **Certain Determinations Relating to Collateral Obligations**

The Indenture provides that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained therein, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have purchased any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to purchase, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such

Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to receive such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have acquired, granted or delivered, as the case may be, such Collateral Obligations on such date.

The Indenture provides that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained therein, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to sell, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to sell, and requiring the purchaser to purchase, such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold such Collateral Obligations on such date.

Under the circumstances described in the two preceding paragraphs, if the transaction contemplated by the contract, commitment letter, confirmation or due bill referred to therein does not settle on or before the 60th day following the scheduled settlement date (the "**Deadline**"), the deemed purchase or sale shall be deemed not to have occurred; *provided, however*, that the Servicer shall have the right to extend the Deadline for an additional period (not to exceed an additional 60 days) by notice to the Trustee, which notice shall include the Servicer's certification to the effect that the Servicer believes that the settlement shall occur on or before the extended Deadline.

Scheduled distributions with respect to any Pledged Collateral Obligation shall be determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Indenture.

### **The Accounts**

The Indenture provides that the Trustee will establish separate segregated securities accounts in the name of the Trustee as entitlement holder for the benefit of the Secured Parties over which the Trustee will have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, which will be designated as the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Custodial Account, the Synthetic Security Reserve Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Securities Lending Account and the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account. In addition, Synthetic Security Counterparty Accounts and Hedge Counterparty Collateral Accounts may also be established. The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement provides that the Preference Shares Paying Agent will establish a segregated securities account that shall be designated as the Preference Shares Distribution Account for the sole benefit of the Preference Shareholders. Any account may contain any number of subaccounts.

*Collection Account.* The Trustee shall deposit into the "**Collection Account**":

- (i) any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account pursuant to the Indenture pursuant to the Indenture;
- (ii) all Principal Proceeds (unless (1) simultaneously used to purchase Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture, (2) deposited into the Synthetic Security Reserve Account, the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or (3) posted by the Issuer as cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security or in Eligible Investments) received by the Trustee;

- (iii) all Interest Proceeds received by the Trustee (unless simultaneously used to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture or in Eligible Investments); and
- (iv) all other funds received by the Trustee from the Collateral and not excluded above.

The Issuer and the Servicer may, but will not be required to, jointly deposit from time to time any monies in the Collection Account it deems, in its sole discretion, to be advisable (and may designate any amounts so deposited as Principal Proceeds or Interest Proceeds in its discretion).

Any Principal Proceeds received during the Replacement Period, and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments received after the Replacement Period, which have not been used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations on the Business Day of receipt shall be deposited in the Collection Account and shall at the direction of the Servicer be applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the other requirements set forth in the Indenture or the purchase of Eligible Investments pending such application or used to enter into additional Hedge Agreements or used in connection with a Special Redemption. Principal Proceeds (other than Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations, Credit Risk Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments) received after the Replacement Period shall be deposited into the Collection Account and applied to the purchase of Eligible Investments.

The Collection Account shall be maintained for the benefit of the Secured Parties and amounts on deposit in the Collection Account will be available for application in the order of priority under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments" and for the acquisition of Collateral Obligations under the circumstances and pursuant to the requirements in the Indenture. Amounts received in the Collection Account during a Due Period and amounts received in prior Due Periods and retained in the Collection Account under the circumstances stated above in "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments" will be applied in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions). All proceeds deposited in the Collection Account will be retained therein unless used to purchase Collateral Obligations during the Replacement Period (or, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period) in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria, to honor commitments with respect thereto entered into during or after the Replacement Period, or used as otherwise permitted under the Indenture. See "—Eligibility Criteria."

The Trustee shall transfer to the Payment Account from the Collection Account for application pursuant to the Priority of Payments, no later than the Business Day preceding each Payment Date, the amount set forth to be so transferred in the Valuation Report for the Payment Date.

At any time during or after the Replacement Period, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to pay from amounts on deposit in the Collection Account on any Business Day during any Interest Period from Interest Proceeds only, any Administrative Expenses that require payment before the next Payment Date to the extent that the amount of the payments does not exceed the aggregate amount that may be paid on the next payment Date under, and at the level of priority specified by, "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds"; *provided* that the Trustee shall be entitled (but not required), without liability on its part, to refrain from making such a requested payment of an Administrative Expense on a day other than a Payment Date if in the reasonable determination of the Trustee the payment of such amount would leave insufficient funds available to pay in full each of the items described in "—Interest Proceeds" in amounts reasonably anticipated by the

Trustee to be payable thereunder on the next Payment Date (taking into account the Administrative Expense Cap) or that would result in payments being made that are not in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

On the Determination Date related to the first Payment Date, and at the option of the Servicer, Principal Proceeds in the Collection Account in an amount not to exceed U.S.\$2,000,000 may be designated as Interest Proceeds for distribution on the first Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments to the extent such funds are not required to be applied to cure a Rating Confirmation Failure or applied to a Special Redemption.

*Custodial Account.* The Trustee will hold Collateral Obligations in the "**Custodial Account**." All assets or securities at any time on deposit in or otherwise to the credit of the Custodial Account will be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

*Revolving Reserve Account and Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account.* Upon the purchase of any Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, at the direction of the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit Principal Proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account, in the case of a Revolving Loan, and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, in the case of a Delayed Drawdown Loan, each equal to the unfunded commitment amount of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, respectively, and the Principal Proceeds so deposited shall be considered part of the Purchase Price of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan for purposes of the Indenture. At the direction of the Servicer at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall withdraw funds from the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to fund extensions of credit pursuant to Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans, respectively. In addition, to the extent that the Issuer receives proceeds of a repayment in respect of a Revolving Loan (except to the extent of any concurrent commitment reduction) at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall deposit the proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account.

Upon the sale of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan in whole or in part or the reduction in part or termination of the Issuer's commitment thereunder, an amount on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, as the case may be, specified by the Servicer as being equal to (i) the Unfunded Amount of the commitment (in the case of a sale in whole or a termination of the commitment), (ii) the proportionate amount of the amount on deposit (in the case of a sale in part) or (iii) the amount by which the commitment is reduced (in the case of a reduction thereof in part), shall be transferred by the Trustee to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds.

Amounts on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account will be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) not later than the Business Day after the date of their purchase. All interest and other income from amounts in the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account under the Indenture shall be considered Interest Proceeds in the Due Period in which they are so deposited.

*Synthetic Security Reserve Account.* Upon the purchase of any Unfunded Synthetic Security, at the direction of the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit Principal Proceeds into the "**Synthetic Security Reserve Account**" equal to the commitment amount of such Unfunded Synthetic Security. At the direction of the Servicer at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall withdraw funds from the Synthetic Security Reserve Account to fund the Issuer's payment obligations under the Unfunded Synthetic Securities.

Upon the sale of an Unfunded Synthetic Security in whole or in part or the reduction in part or termination of the Issuer's commitment thereunder, an amount on deposit in the Synthetic Security Reserve Account specified by the Servicer as being equal to (i) the proportionate amount of the amount on deposit (in the case of a sale in part) or (ii) the amount by which the commitment is reduced (in the case of a reduction thereof in part), shall be transferred by the Trustee to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds.

Amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Reserve Account will be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) not later than the Business Day after the date of their purchase. All interest and other income from amounts in the Synthetic Security Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account under the Indenture shall be considered Interest Proceeds in the Due Period in which they are so deposited.

*Synthetic Security Collateral Account.* On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Synthetic Security the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the securities account established for Synthetic Security Collateral (the "**Synthetic Security Collateral Account**") with respect to the Synthetic Security. All Synthetic Security Collateral posted by any Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Synthetic Security shall be immediately deposited into the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Synthetic Security. On each day on which amounts are payable to the Issuer out of Synthetic Security Collateral, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to withdraw amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in an amount sufficient to make the payment (including any total or partial release of Synthetic Security Collateral). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be:

- (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty to the Issuer under a Synthetic Security if the Synthetic Security becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the Synthetic Security upon any "event of default" under and as defined in the terms of the Synthetic Security, including liquidating the related Synthetic Security Collateral Account; or
- (ii) to return the Synthetic Security Collateral to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty when and as required by the terms of the Synthetic Security, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account will be held in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities not later than one Business Day after their purchase, as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions), and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.* The Trustee will deposit all collateral received from a Hedge Counterparty under any Hedge Agreement into the "**Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.**" The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account will be (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer under a Hedge Agreement if the Hedge Agreement becomes subject to early termination or (ii) to return collateral to the relevant Hedge Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Hedge Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer. Amounts on deposit in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account will be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of

standing instructions) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Closing Date Expense Account.* Amounts deposited in the "**Closing Date Expense Account**" on the Closing Date will be withdrawn to pay certain administrative expenses of the Co-Issuers. On the Payment Date in August 2008 (or, at the discretion of the Servicer, on the Payment Date in May 2008), the Trustee, at the direction of the Servicer in its sole discretion, shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account to the Collection Account as Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds and close the Closing Date Expense Account. Amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account shall be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the second Payment Date as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Expense Reimbursement Account.* On any Payment Date and on any date between Payment Dates, the Trustee will apply amounts, if any, in the "**Expense Reimbursement Account**" to the payment of expenses and fees that must be paid between Payment Dates or that are due on that Payment Date under clause (1) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" and the Trustee shall on any Payment Date transfer to the Expense Reimbursement Account an amount equal to the excess, if any of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts due under clause (1) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" to the Expense Reimbursement Account in accordance with clause (2) of "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds." Amounts on deposit in the Expense Reimbursement Account shall be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions), no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date.

*Securities Lending Account.* The Trustee will deposit all Securities Lending Collateral posted by any Securities Lending Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Securities Lending Agreement in a securities account (the "**Securities Lending Account**"). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Securities Lending Account will be (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty to the Issuer under a Securities Lending Agreement if the Securities Lending Agreement becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the Securities Lending Agreement upon any "event of default" under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement, including liquidating the related Securities Lending Collateral or (ii) to return collateral to the Securities Lending Counterparty when and as required by a Securities Lending Agreement. Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the loaned security or asset that relates to the Securities Lending Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer.

*Payment Account.* The Trustee will from time to time transfer funds into the "**Payment Account**," in accordance with the Indenture. All assets or securities at any time on deposit in or otherwise to the credit of the Payment Account will be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Payment Account shall be to pay amounts due and payable on the Notes and to pay Administrative Expenses and other amounts specified in the Indenture, each in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

*Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account.* On each Payment Date, to the extent of available funds in accordance with the Priority of Payments, the Trustee will deposit into the "**Class II**

**Preference Share Special Payment Account**" amounts equal to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments. With respect to any Payment Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion (or all) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments, *provided* that with respect to the Payment Date in May 2008 such Class II Preference Share Special Payments will, at a minimum, include amounts that would otherwise constitute a portion (representing the Class II Preference Share Percentage) of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Closing Date to February 3, 2008. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

*Synthetic Security Counterparty Account.* To the extent that any Synthetic Security requires the Issuer to secure its obligations to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee and the Trustee shall establish a segregated securities account (the "**Synthetic Security Counterparty Account**") in the name of the Trustee as entitlement holder in trust for the benefit of such Synthetic Security Counterparty and over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, acting at the direction of the Synthetic Security Counterparty, in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and the Indenture. In the alternative, a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account may be established with a trustee designated by the Synthetic Security Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that trustee would qualify to be a successor trustee under the Indenture and the account satisfies the other requirements of a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account under the Indenture.

As directed in writing by the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit (or deliver for deposit) into each Synthetic Security Counterparty Account all amounts or securities that are required to secure the obligations of the Issuer in accordance with the related Synthetic Security, such deposit to be made from funds held in the Collection Account and available for the purchase of Collateral Obligations under the Indenture (as instructed by the Servicer). The Servicer shall direct any such deposit only during the Replacement Period and only to the extent that monies are available for the purchase of Collateral Obligations pursuant to the Indenture. Any income received on amounts in the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall, after application in accordance with the relevant Synthetic Security, be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Interest Proceeds.

As directed by the Servicer in writing and in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and the Indenture, amounts on deposit in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in Synthetic Security Collateral.

In connection with the occurrence of a credit event or an event of default or a termination event (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security) under the related Synthetic Security, amounts in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be withdrawn by the Trustee (or the Trustee shall request their withdrawal) and applied toward the payment of any amounts payable by the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty (other than any Defaulted Synthetic Termination Payments) in accordance with the Synthetic Security, as directed by the Servicer in writing. Any excess amounts held in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, or held directly by a Synthetic Security Counterparty, after payment of all amounts owing from the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the related Synthetic Security shall be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Principal Proceeds.

Amounts on deposit in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the Synthetic Security that relates to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer (with the notional amount as the Principal Balance unless a default exists under the applicable Synthetic Security).

### **Hedge Agreements**

At any time and from time to time on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer and with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, shall enter into the Hedge Agreements and will assign its rights (but none of its obligations) under the Hedge Agreements to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture. The Trustee will, on behalf of the Issuer and in accordance with the Valuation Report, pay amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements on any Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

The Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement the payments from which are subject to withholding tax unless the Issuer is not required to make additional payments to the Hedge Counterparty on account of amounts withheld and the Hedge Counterparty is required to make additional payments so that the net amount received by the Issuer after satisfaction of such tax is the amount due to the Issuer before the imposition of withholding tax. The Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement the entry into, performance or termination of which would subject the Issuer to net income tax in any jurisdiction outside of the Issuer's jurisdiction of incorporation.

Whenever the Issuer enters into a Hedge Agreement, the Hedge Counterparty thereto shall comply with the then currently applicable rating criteria of each Rating Agency from time to time (the "**Required Rating**").

If at any time a Hedge Counterparty does not have the Required Rating, then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within the applicable period specified in the related Hedge Agreement post collateral, obtain a guarantor, replace itself with a substitute Hedge Counterparty or take such other measures as specified in the applicable Hedge Agreement.

Any payments required to be made under the Hedge Agreements shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments shall be subordinate to interest and principal payments on the Notes and any other payments required to be made by the Issuer under the Hedge Agreements, but senior to distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Indenture.

Unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is otherwise satisfied, following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall promptly (but no later than 60 days after the early termination), and to the extent possible through Hedge Termination Receipts, enter into a replacement hedge, unless, in the exercise of the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment, to do so would not be in the best interest of the Issuer and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to not entering into a replacement hedge. In addition, a replacement hedge may not be entered into unless the Issuer provides the Rating Agencies with at least seven Business Days' prior written notice of its intention to enter into a replacement hedge, together with its form and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the replacement hedge. The Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than a termination resulting from the bankruptcy, insolvency, or similar event with respect to the Hedge Counterparty) to become effective simultaneously with its entering into a replacement hedge. To the extent that (i) the Servicer determines not to replace the Hedge Agreement and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the determination; or (ii) termination is occurring on a Redemption Date, the Hedge



Termination Receipts shall become part of Principal Proceeds and be distributed in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the next following Payment Date (or on the Redemption Date, if the Notes are redeemed on the Redemption Date).

The notional amounts of the Hedge Agreements outstanding at any time may be reduced or increased from time to time, by the Issuer, and the Hedge Agreements may be amended, modified, or terminated in accordance with the Hedge Agreements if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the reduction, increase, amendment, modification, or termination, as the case may be.

Each Hedge Agreement may be terminated pursuant to its terms by the Hedge Counterparty upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes, an acceleration of maturity of the Notes followed by the liquidation of any or all of the Collateral after an Event of Default or the entry into certain amendments to the Indenture without the consent of the Hedge Counterparty. The Hedge Agreement will not be permitted to be terminated by the Issuer as the result of a Default or Event of Default unless any acceleration of maturity of the Notes resulting from the Event of Default is no longer permitted to be rescinded pursuant to the Indenture.

Except for Hedge Agreements entered into on or before the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied.

### **Securities Lending**

The Indenture permits the Issuer to engage in a limited number of securities lending transactions as described below.

The Servicer may instruct the Trustee to cause Collateral Obligations that are not Defaulted Collateral Obligations to be lent for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) having long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or guarantors with ratings of at least "A1" (and not "A1" but on credit watch with negative implications) and "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A" or a short-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A-1" from S&P (each, a "**Securities Lending Counterparty**") pursuant to one or more agreements (each, a "**Securities Lending Agreement**"); *provided* that Collateral Obligations the Market Value of which cannot be determined under clause (i), (ii) or (iii) of that definition may not be lent pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement. Upon receipt of an Issuer Order, the Trustee shall release any lent Collateral Obligations to a Securities Lending Counterparty as directed by the Servicer. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Initial Purchasers or Affiliates of the Servicer. The duration of any Securities Lending Agreement shall not exceed the Stated Maturity of the Notes. Collateral Obligations representing no more than 15% (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of the Maximum Amount may be loaned pursuant to Securities Lending Agreements at any time.

Each Securities Lending Agreement shall be on market terms as determined by the Servicer (except to the extent specified in the Indenture) and shall:

- (i) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty return to the Issuer debt obligations that are identical (in terms of issue and class) to the lent Collateral Obligations;
- (ii) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty pay to the Issuer amounts equivalent to all interest and other payments that the owner of the lent Collateral Obligation is entitled

to for the period during which the Collateral Obligation is lent and require that any such payments not be subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the Securities Lending Counterparty is required under the Securities Lending Agreement to make "gross-up" payments to the Issuer that cover the full amount of the withholding tax on an after-tax basis;

- (iii) require that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency shall be satisfied with respect to the execution of the Securities Lending Agreement;
- (iv) satisfy any other requirements of Section 1058 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated under it;
- (v) be governed by the laws of New York;
- (vi) permit the Issuer to assign its rights under the Securities Lending Agreement to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture;
- (vii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Collateral Obligation becomes a Credit Risk Obligation or is subject to redemption in accordance with its terms;
- (viii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty upon any redemption of the Notes in whole;
- (ix) require the Securities Lending Counterparty to post with the Trustee collateral consisting of cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the Securities Lending Agreement to secure its obligation to return the Collateral Obligations or in the alternative post that collateral with a custodian for the benefit of the Issuer designated by the Securities Lending Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that custodian would qualify to be a successor trustee under the Indenture;
- (x) provide that the Securities Lending Collateral shall be maintained as provided in the related Securities Lending Agreement and if securities are delivered to the Trustee as security for the obligations of the Securities Lending Counterparty under the related Securities Lending Agreement, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will negotiate with the Securities Lending Counterparty a rate for the loan fee to be paid to the Issuer for lending the lent Collateral Obligations;
- (xi) the lent Collateral Obligations shall be marked-to-market on a daily basis by the Servicer on the basis of their Market Value;
- (xii) the Collateral will include the Issuer's rights under the related Securities Lending Agreement rather than the loaned Collateral Obligation;
- (xiii) provide for early termination within ten days at the option of the Issuer and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Securities Lending Counterparty is no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty and the noncompliance is not cured as provided in the Indenture; and

- (xiv) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Securities Lending Counterparty) equivalent (mutatis mutandis) to those in the Indenture.

In addition, if either Moody's or S&P downgrades a Securities Lending Counterparty such that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party are no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty, then the Issuer shall take such steps as provided in the related Securities Lending Agreements.

The Servicer shall instruct the Trustee in writing with respect to the administration of any Securities Lending Agreement (including with respect to any default and the exercise of rights under it). The Trustee shall not have any responsibility for evaluating the sufficiency, validity, or acceptability of any Securities Lending Agreement or for the qualifications or eligibility of any Securities Lending Counterparty. Nothing in the Indenture shall be construed to cause the Trustee to have any fiduciary duties to any Securities Lending Counterparty.

So long as any Collateral Obligation is on loan pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement, (a) the Trustee shall have no liability for any failure or inability on its part to receive any information or take any action with respect to the Collateral Obligation because of its being on loan (including any failure to take action with respect to a notice of redemption, consent solicitation, exchange or tender offer, or similar corporate action) and (b) the loaned Collateral Obligations shall not be disqualified for return to the Trustee as a Collateral Obligation by any change in circumstance or status during the time while on loan (including any change that would cause the Collateral Obligation to be ineligible for purchase by the Issuer under the Indenture if applied to a proposed purchase of it in the open market at the time of its return from loan).

## MATURITY AND PREPAYMENT CONSIDERATIONS

The Stated Maturity of each Class of Notes will be November 1, 2021 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date; *however*, the principal of each Class of the Notes is expected to be paid in full prior to its Stated Maturity (or Extended Stated Maturity Date, as applicable). Average life refers to the average amount of time that will elapse from the date of delivery of a security until each dollar of the principal of such security will be paid to the investor. The average lives of the Notes will be determined by the amount and frequency of principal payments, which are dependent upon, among other things, the amount of sinking fund payments and any other payments received at or in advance of the scheduled maturity of Collateral Obligations (whether through sale, maturity, redemption, default or other liquidation or disposition).

The actual performance of the Securities will also be affected by the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral Obligations and the characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, including the interest rate or other rate of distribution, the actual default rate and actual losses sustained, the existence and frequency of exercise of any prepayment, optional redemption, or sinking fund features and any related premium, the prevailing level of interest rates, any sales of Collateral Obligations, and any unique risks of the Collateral Obligations. Any disposition of a Collateral Obligation may change the composition and characteristics of the portfolio of Collateral Obligations and their rate of payment, and, accordingly, may affect the actual performance of each respective Class of Securities. The ability of the Issuer to apply any Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds in the manner described under "Security for the Notes" will also affect the performance of the Securities. Redemptions will also affect the performance of the Securities.

## **THE SERVICER**

*The information appearing in this section has been prepared by the Servicer and has not been independently verified by the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchasers. Accordingly, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, neither the Co-Issuers nor the Initial Purchasers assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or applicability of such information.*

### **General**

Based in Dallas, Texas, Highland Capital is a registered investment adviser specializing in below investment-grade credit and special situation investing. As of June 30, 2007, Highland Capital managed over \$40.02 billion in leveraged loans, high yield bonds, structured products and other assets for banks, insurance companies, pension plans, foundations and high net worth individuals.

Highland Capital manages or services these assets through a variety of fund structures including separate accounts, CDOs, hedge funds and mutual funds. As of June 30, 2007, Highland Capital invested in approximately 1,700 issuers across its portfolios and Highland Capital's 100-person credit team followed below investment grade and credit sensitive credit positions across over 36 industries. Highland Capital or an Affiliate or predecessor thereof has been an SEC-registered investment adviser since April 1993.

### **Philosophy and Process**

Highland Capital has a large range and depth of experience. It has expertise in the fields of syndicated loans, high yield bonds, and distressed assets. Highland Capital believes it is in a position to maximize the spread differential between the yields on underlying collateral and the cost of financing. In addition, Highland Capital seeks to construct portfolios to (a) maximize relative value based on its credit views and (b) maximize diversification in order to minimize the effect of isolated credit events on the overall portfolio, utilizing Highland Capital's infrastructure to minimize defaults of underlying assets and to maximize recoveries in the case of defaults. Highland Capital has over \$1.0 billion of firm capital exposure to the firm's funds and expects that HFP, an Affiliate of the Servicer, and/or one or more of HFP's subsidiaries will on the Closing Date purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares.

Highland Capital believes that its disciplined selection process minimizes a portfolio's risk and that its analysis seeks to maximize yield spread while limiting downside risk. Portfolio managers actively follow each credit and several times each year the entire staff reviews all positions during multi-day monitoring meetings. Highland Capital diversifies its portfolios with set limits on exposure to any one given industry or issuer. Highland Capital believes that this philosophy and selection process has resulted in positive returns on its underlying loan portfolio and consistent outperformance relative to its indices.

Highland Capital focuses on a "team" approach that it has used since 1990. It is Highland Capital management's belief that this style creates the optimum environment for the exchange of information and the development of all asset management professionals. All aspects of the selection, monitoring and servicing process are coordinated through the senior asset portfolio managers' direct interaction. A committee of senior portfolio managers and analysts, Highland Capital's Chief Investment Officer and its Head of Structured Products meets every morning to discuss the status of the credits. Collectively, the committee utilizes a selection and monitoring process which is driven by fundamental credit research. Each portfolio manager/analyst makes specific credit recommendations based upon industry coverage. The credit recommendation is then brought to the committee for consideration. Based upon the consensus decision, the portfolio manager with the recommendation will direct Highland Capital traders to execute the trade. Highland Capital has also provided its committee with a strong commitment to technology.

The firm developed Wall Street Office® which is a proprietary software system that allows Highland Capital to model, portfolio manage, and trade syndicated loans. This software has been licensed to more than 70 financial institutions that acquire syndicated loans.

### **Professionals of the Servicer**

Set forth below is information regarding certain persons who are currently employed by the Servicer. Such persons may not necessarily continue to be so employed during the entire term of the Servicing Agreement.

#### ***James Dondero, CFA, CPA, CMA – Managing Partner, President***

Mr. Dondero is a Founder and President of Highland Capital. He is also Chairman of the Board of Directors of Highland Financial Trust. Prior to Highland Capital, Mr. Dondero served as Chief Investment Officer of Protective Life's GIC subsidiary, and helped grow the business from concept to over \$2 billion from 1989 to 1993. His portfolio management experience includes mortgage-backed securities, investment grade corporates, leveraged bank loans, emerging markets, derivatives, preferred stocks and common stocks. From 1985 to 1989, he managed approximately \$1 billion in fixed income funds for American Express. Prior to American Express, he completed the financial training program at Morgan Guaranty Trust Company. Mr. Dondero is a Beta Gamma Sigma graduate of the University of Virginia, 1984 with degrees in Accounting and Finance. Mr. Dondero is a Certified Public Accountant and a Certified Management Accountant. He has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

#### ***Mark Okada, CFA – Managing Partner, Chief Investment Officer***

Mr. Okada is a Founder and Chief Investment Officer of Highland Capital. He is responsible for overseeing Highland Capital's investment activities for its various strategies, and has over 20 years of experience in the leveraged finance market. Prior to Highland Capital, Mr. Okada served as Manager of Fixed Income for Protective Life's GIC subsidiary from 1990 to 1993. He was primarily responsible for the bank loan portfolio and other risk assets. Protective was one of the first non-bank entrants into the syndicated loan market. From 1986 to 1990, he served as Vice President for Hibernia National Bank, managing over \$1 billion of high yield bank loans. Mr. Okada is an honors graduate of the University of California Los Angeles with degrees in Economics and Psychology. He completed his credit training at Mitsui and has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation. Mr. Okada is also Chairman of the Board of Directors of Common Grace Ministries Inc.

#### ***Todd Travers, CFA – Partner, Head of Structured Products, Senior Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Travers is responsible for Highland Capital's CDO business and is the primary Senior Portfolio Manager for Highland Capital's CDOs. He is a member of the Credit Committee and heads a team that is responsible for structuring new CDO transactions and implementing additional opportunities in Highland Capital's core businesses. He is also Chief Executive Officer and Chief Investment Officer of Highland Financial Partners, an externally managed company whose primary strategy is investing in CDO equity. Formerly, Mr. Travers served as Industry Portfolio Manager/Portfolio Analyst from 1994 to 1998 for Highland Capital. His prior responsibilities included managing a portion of Highland Capital's leveraged loan and high yield debt portfolios across a wide range of industry sectors. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Travers was a Finance Manager at American Airlines. Mr. Travers is a graduate of Iowa State University with a BS in Industrial Engineering. He received his MBA from Southern Methodist University. Mr. Travers has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***Patrick H. Daugherty*** – Partner, Head of Distressed and Special Situations Investments, Co-Head of Private Equity

Mr. Daugherty is Head of Distressed and Special Situations Investing, and a Senior Portfolio Manager at Highland Capital. His responsibilities include managing the Distressed Investments Group and co-managing the Private Equity Investments Group. He has formerly served as General Counsel to Highland Capital. Prior to joining Highland Capital in April 1998, Mr. Daugherty served as Vice President in the Corporate Finance Group at Bank of America Capital Markets, Inc (formerly NationsBanc Capital Markets, Inc.) where he originated and structured leveraged transactions of mid-cap companies located in the Southwest. Prior to joining Bank of America, Mr. Daugherty was an Associate with the law firm of Baker, Brown, Sharman and Parker in Houston, Texas, where he worked with banks and financial institutions in the liquidation of various RTC portfolios. Mr. Daugherty has over 15 years of experience in distressed, high yield and corporate restructuring. He has been involved in over 100 restructurings and held steering committee positions in over 40 bankruptcies. Mr. Daugherty currently serves on the Board of Directors of Trussway Holdings, Inc. and its affiliates (as Chairman), Home Interiors & Gifts, Inc. and its affiliates (as Chairman), Nexpak Corporation and its affiliates (as Chairman), Moll Industries and its affiliates (as Chairman), Safety-Kleen Holdco., Inc. and is a former board member of Norse Merchant Group and its affiliates, Ferrimorac Holdings Limited and Mariner Health Care, Inc. He received a BBA in Finance from The University of Texas at Austin and a Juris Doctorate from The University of Houston School of Law. Mr. Daugherty's professional certifications include membership in the Texas Bar Association and admittance to the American Bar Association in 1992.

***John Morgan, CFA*** – Partner, Senior Industry Portfolio Manager, Real Estate

Mr. Morgan is a Senior Industry Portfolio Manager, and has responsibility for overseeing the firm's Real Estate debt investments. The firm's real estate investments include a variety of asset types, including Commercial Mortgage Backed Securities ("CMBSs"), mezzanine notes, and real estate bank loans. Since joining Highland Capital in March 2000, Mr. Morgan has also covered a variety of other industries, including retail, restaurants, and supermarkets. Prior to joining Highland Capital in March 2000, Mr. Morgan served as Portfolio Analyst for Falcon Fund Management, LTD from August 1995-February 2000. At Falcon, he created comparables to assess the attractiveness of companies within industries and across the portfolio. He assisted the Portfolio Manager in the security selection process and management of the portfolio. Prior to Falcon, he was an Analyst for a Convertible Arbitrage Fund at Q Investments. His primary responsibility included analyzing financial statements and related corporate disclosures and performing analysis on potential investment opportunities. He received both a BS in Biological Sciences and an MBA from Southern Methodist University, and has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***Kurtis S. Plumer, CFA*** – Partner, Senior Portfolio Manager, Multi-Strategies

Mr. Plumer is a Senior Portfolio Manager at Highland Capital. Prior to joining Highland Capital in July 1999, Mr. Plumer was a distressed High Yield Bond Trader at Lehman Brothers in New York, where he managed a \$250 million portfolio invested in global distressed securities. While at Lehman, he also traded emerging market sovereign bonds. Prior to joining Lehman Brothers, Mr. Plumer was a Corporate Finance Banker at NationsBanc Capital Markets, Inc. (now Bank of America Capital Markets, Inc.) where he focused on M&A and financing transactions for the bank's clients. Mr. Plumer has over 14 years of experience in distressed, high yield bond and leveraged loan products. Mr. Plumer earned a BBA in Economics and Finance from Baylor University, and an MBA in Strategy and Finance from the Kellogg School at Northwestern University. Mr. Plumer has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***David Walls, CFA – Partner, Senior Industry Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Walls is a Senior Industry Portfolio Manager at Highland Capital. Prior to joining Highland Capital in October 2000, Mr. Walls worked for Lend Lease Real Estate Investments as an Associate in their Asset Management unit underwriting and structuring acquisitions of bulk portfolios of distressed Korean real estate and corporate debt. Before his international responsibilities at Lend Lease, Mr. Walls performed loan workouts on a domestic portfolio of sub- and non-performing real estate secured assets. Prior to Lend Lease, Mr. Walls worked at U.S. Trust Company of California as an Assistant Vice President, Junior Industry Portfolio Manager in their Fixed Income Portfolio Management group and for Capital Research & Management Company as a Fixed Income Trader. Mr. Walls has worked in finance for the cable, media, satellite, and communication equipment sectors for 14 years. At Highland Capital, Mr. Walls is a Senior Industry Portfolio Manager with oversight of the Cable and Satellite sectors. He holds a BA in Economics from Northwestern University, and an MBA in Finance and Marketing from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University. Mr. Walls is a member of AIMR and DAIA. Mr. Walls has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***Brett Pope, CFA – Partner, Senior Industry Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Pope is a Senior Industry Portfolio Manager at Highland Capital. Prior to joining Highland Capital in March 2001, Mr. Pope served as a Senior Equities Analyst in Healthcare at Street Advisor.com from 1999 to 2001. His experience also includes working as a Senior Research Analyst covering the Building Products and Financial Service sectors at Southwest Securities from 1996 to 1999. Prior to 1996, he served as a Senior Financial Analyst with Associates First Capital Corporation. At Highland Capital, Mr. Pope is a Senior Industry Portfolio Manager covering the Healthcare and Information Technology sectors. Mr. Pope is a graduate of the University of Texas at Austin where he graduated Magna Cum Laude. Mr. Pope has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***Patrick Conner, CFA – Partner, Senior Industry Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Conner is a Senior Industry Portfolio Manager at Highland Capital. Prior to joining Highland Capital in February 2002, Mr. Conner worked from 2001-2002 as an Industry Portfolio Manager for an equity hedge fund at Enron Corp. Prior to this position, Mr. Conner evaluated business unit strategy, mergers, acquisitions, and divestitures as a Director in Enron's Corporate Development group from 1997-2001. Prior to joining Enron, Mr. Conner worked as a Corporate Lending Officer at Boatmen's Bancshares in middle market banking. Mr. Conner has acquired 14 years of investment experience. He holds an MBA in Finance from The Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania and a BBA in Finance from Wichita State University. Mr. Conner has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***Amit Walia, CFA – Partner, Senior Industry Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Walia is a Partner and Senior Industry Portfolio Manager at Highland Capital Management, L.P., covering the Utilities sector. He has a total of 16 years experience in investments, mergers & acquisitions and banking. Prior to joining Highland in July 2003, Mr. Walia worked from 1999 to 2002 as a Vice President in the corporate development group at Enron Corp where he worked on M&A transactions, including the sale of assets post bankruptcy. Prior to this he was a Director of Structured and Project Finance within the energy group at ANZ Banking Group Ltd in New York. He received his MBA (Finance) from the Simon School of Business, University of Rochester and a degree in Mechanical Engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi. Mr. Walia has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.



***Brad Borud – Partner, Senior Trader and Co-Director of Portfolio Management***

Mr. Borud is a Senior Trader and Co-Director of Portfolio Management at Highland Capital. Prior to joining Highland Capital in November 1996, Mr. Borud worked as a Global Finance Analyst in the Corporate Finance Group at NationsBank from 1995 to 1996 where he was involved in the originating, structuring, modeling, and credit analysis of leveraged transactions for large corporate accounts in the Southwest portion of the United States. During 1994, Mr. Borud also served at Conseco Capital Management as an Analyst Intern in the Fixed Income Research Department, following the Transportation and Energy sectors. Prior to his current duties at Highland Capital, Mr. Borud served as a Portfolio Analyst from 1996 to 1998. From 1998 to 2003, Mr. Borud was a Industry Portfolio Manager covering a wide range of industries, including Wireline Telecommunications, Wireless Telecommunications, Telecommunication Equipment Manufacturers, Multi-channel Video, and Media. He has a BS in Business Finance from Indiana University.

***Paul Kauffman, CFA, CPA – Partner, Senior Trader and Co-Director of Portfolio Management***

Mr. Kauffman is a Senior Trader and Co-Director of Portfolio Management at Highland Capital. Prior to joining Highland Capital in June 1999, Mr. Kauffman spent four years in the public accounting industry, including two and a half years at KPMG Peat Marwick. At KPMG, Mr. Kauffman gained audit experience in a wide range of industries, with particular focus on the Energy and Cable industries. He joined Highland Capital as a Portfolio Analyst, and was a Industry Portfolio Manager prior to moving into his current role. At Highland Capital, Mr. Kauffman has followed a variety of industries, including Paper & Packaging, General Industrials, Metals, and the Automotive sector. He received a BBA in Accounting from Baylor University, and an MBA from Duke University. Mr. Kauffman has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Servicer—The Issuer Will Depend on the Expertise Available to the Servicer and Its Key Personnel."

## THE SERVICING AGREEMENT

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Servicing Agreement. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the Servicing Agreement.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, and in accordance with the requirements set forth in the Indenture, the Servicer will select the portfolio of Collateral Obligations and will instruct the Trustee with respect to any acquisition, disposition or sale of a Collateral Obligation or an Eligible Investment. Neither of the Initial Purchasers and none of their Affiliates will select any of the Collateral Obligations.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will monitor the Collateral Obligations and provide the Issuer with certain information received from the Collateral Administrator with respect to the composition and characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, any disposition or tender of a Collateral Obligation, the application of the proceeds of any such disposition to the purchase of Eligible Investments and with respect to the retention of the proceeds of any such disposition or the application thereof toward the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations. The Servicer will, and will be authorized to, negotiate, on behalf of the Issuer, with respect to all actions to be taken by the Issuer under any Hedge Agreements.

As compensation for the performance of its obligations as Servicer, the Servicer will be entitled to receive:

- (i) a fee (the "**Senior Servicing Fee**") that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.30% per annum of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments (with the Senior Servicing Fee being calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months);
- (ii) an amount (the "**Subordinated Servicing Fee**") payable on each Payment Date equal to the sum of (a) a fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.25% per annum of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments and (b) on any Payment Date that any part of the Subordinated Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period *plus* 3.00% per annum (with the portion of the Subordinated Servicing Fee, in clauses (a) and (b) above, as applicable, being calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months); and
- (iii) a fee (the "**Supplemental Servicing Fee**" and together with the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee, the "**Servicing Fee**"), if any, payable on each Payment Date to the Servicer in an amount equal to: (i) 20% of the remaining Interest Proceeds, if any, available after making the distributions on such Payment Date pursuant to clause (23) under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" and (ii) 20% of the remaining Principal Proceeds, if any, available for payment in respect of the Supplemental Servicing Fee pursuant to clause (11)(A) and, if applicable, clause (14), in each case pursuant to "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds."

On each Payment Date, as and to the extent described under "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments," the Trustee will deposit the Class II Preference Share Portion of the Servicing Fees into the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account. With respect to any Payment Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments, *provided* that with respect to the Payment Date in May 2008 such Class II Preference Share Special Payments will, at a minimum, include amounts that would otherwise constitute a portion of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Closing Date through February 3, 2008. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments as described above. See "Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account."

In addition, notwithstanding anything set out above, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion waive all or any portion of the Subordinated Servicing Fee or Supplemental Servicing Fee, any funds representing the waived Subordinated Servicing Fees or Supplemental Servicing Fees to be retained in the Collection Account for distribution as either Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds (as determined by the Servicer) pursuant to the Priority of Payments.

In addition, the Servicer will be reimbursed for its reasonable expenses incurred with respect to any compliance requirements, including, but not limited to, compliance with the requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act solely related to the ownership or holding of any Securities by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to the extent funds are available therefor in accordance with and subject to the Priority of Payments and other limitations contained in the Indenture.

The Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, and its Affiliates and their directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, shall not be liable to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person for any losses, claims, damages, judgments, assessments, costs or other liabilities (collectively "**Liabilities**") incurred by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person that arise out of or in connection with the performance by the Servicer of its duties under the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture, except by reason of (i) acts or omissions constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, gross negligence or breach of fiduciary duty in the performance, or reckless disregard, of the obligations of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and under the terms of the Indenture applicable to it or (ii) with respect to any information included in this Offering Memorandum in the section entitled "The Servicer" and paragraphs 1,2,3,4,5,7 and 11 in the section entitled "Risk Factors—Certain Conflicts of Interest— The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer" that contains any untrue statement of material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) collectively being the "**Servicer Breaches**"). The Servicer will be liable for any non-waivable breaches of applicable securities laws.

The Issuer will indemnify and hold harmless the Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees (such parties collectively in such case, the "**Indemnified Parties**") from and against any and all Liabilities, and shall reimburse each such Indemnified Party for all reasonable fees and expenses (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) (collectively, the "**Expenses**") as such Expenses are incurred in investigating, preparing, pursuing or defending any claim, action, proceeding or

investigation with respect to any pending or threatened litigation (collectively, the "**Actions**"), caused by, or arising out of or in connection with, the issuance of the Securities, the transactions contemplated by this Offering Memorandum, the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement, and/or any action taken by, or any failure to act by, such Indemnified Party; *provided, however*, that no Indemnified Party shall be indemnified for any Liabilities or Expenses it incurs as a result of any acts or omissions by any Indemnified Party constituting Servicer Breaches. Any such indemnification by the Issuer will be paid in accordance with, and subject to, the Priority of Payments.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will agree that on the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries will purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares and all or a portion of the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes and (ii) the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates is expected to purchase certain of the Class I Preference Shares and all or a portion of the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes.

The Issuer may, at the request of the Servicer, enter into an amendment or modification of the Servicing Agreement from time to time, without the consent of the Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not the interests of the Holders of the Securities are adversely affected thereby; *provided that*, with respect to any such amendment or modification, (a) the Rating Condition is satisfied and (b) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares have not objected in writing to such amendment or modification prior to the relevant Objection Cut-Off Date (as defined below).

If at any time the Servicer desires to amend or modify the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will notify the Issuer and the Trustee, providing details of such proposed amendment or modification. Not later than five Business Days after receipt of such notice, the Trustee will mail such notice to (i) each Noteholder at such Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as applicable, (ii) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and (iii) to each Rating Agency. If any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes or any Holder of the Preference Shares notifies, by delivering a written notice to the Trustee within 35 days after the Trustee has mailed such notice, that it objects to such proposed amendment or modification, the Trustee will, within two Business Days after receiving such notice of objection, mail a notice of the receipt of such objection to the Issuer, the Servicer and other Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and other Holders of the Preference Shares. Each Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes and each Holder of the Preference Shares that also wishes to object to such amendment or modification must, by delivering a written notice, so notify the Trustee within seven Business Days after the Trustee has mailed such notice of the receipt of such objection (the last day of such seven Business Day period, the "**Objection Cut-Off Date**"). If a Majority of either the Controlling Class of Notes or the Preference Shares notifies the Trustee in writing on or before the Objection Cut-Off Date that they object to the proposed amendment or modification to the Servicing Agreement, such amendment or modification will not be made.

The Servicing Agreement provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Servicer such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Servicer, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the Advisers Act. The Servicing Agreement also provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser, or direct the

Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Servicer, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Advisers Act.

Subject to the provisions for a successor servicer discussed below, the Servicer may resign, upon 90 days' written notice to the Issuer (or such shorter notice as is acceptable to the Issuer).

The Servicing Agreement will be terminated, and the Servicer will be removed, by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee (acting at the direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes)) or by a Super Majority of the Voting Preference Shares, in each case for "cause" upon 10 days' prior written notice to the Servicer and upon written notice to the Holders of the Securities as set forth below. For purposes of determining "cause" with respect to any such termination of the Servicing Agreement, such term shall mean any one of the following events:

(i) the Servicer willfully breaches in any respect, or takes any action that it knows violates in any respect, any provision of the Servicing Agreement or any terms of the Indenture applicable to it;

(ii) the Servicer breaches in any material respect any provision of the Servicing Agreement or any terms of the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement applicable to it, or any representation, warranty, certification or statement given in writing by the Servicer shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or given, and the Servicer fails to cure such breach or take such action so that the facts (after giving effect to such action) conform in all material respects to such representation, warranty, certificate or statement, in each case within 30 days of becoming aware of, or receiving notice from, the Trustee of, such breach or materially incorrect representation, warranty, certificate or statement;

(iii) certain events of bankruptcy or insolvency occur with respect to the Servicer;

(iv) the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture that results from any breach by the Servicer of its duties under the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement, which breach or default is not cured within any applicable cure period; or

(v) (x) the occurrence of an act by the Servicer related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business that constitutes fraud, (y) the Servicer being indicted, or any of its principals being convicted, of a felony criminal offense related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business or (z) the Servicer being indicted for, adjudged liable in a civil suit for, or convicted of a violation of the Securities Act or any other United States Federal securities law or any rules or regulations thereunder.

No removal or resignation of the Servicer will be effective under the Servicing Agreement unless (A)(i) at the written direction of a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares, the Issuer appoints a successor servicer and such successor servicer has assumed in writing all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture and (ii) the successor servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single Class) or (B) if a Majority of the Voting Preferences Shares has nominated two or more successor servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (A)(ii) or has failed to appoint a successor servicer that has not been

objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (A)(ii) within 30 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer, (i) at the written direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes), the Issuer appoints a successor servicer and such successor servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture and (ii) the successor servicer is not objected to within 45 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares (voting as a single class) or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single Class); *provided* that if the Issuer fails to appoint a successor servicer pursuant to the preceding clauses (A)(ii) and (B)(ii) within 90 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer, any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) or any Holder of Voting Preference Shares petitions a court of competent authority to appoint a successor servicer, such court appoints a successor servicer and such successor servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to the Servicing Agreement. In addition, any successor servicer must be an established institution which (i) has demonstrated an ability to professionally and competently perform duties similar to those imposed upon the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, (ii) is legally qualified and has the capacity to act as Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, as successor to the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement in the assumption of all of the responsibilities, duties and obligations of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and under the applicable terms of the Indenture, (iii) shall not cause the Issuer or the pool of Collateral to become required to register under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, (iv) shall perform its duties as successor servicer under the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture without causing the Issuer to become subject to net income tax in any jurisdiction outside the Issuer's jurisdiction of incorporation or otherwise incur adverse tax consequences to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Holder of any Securities and (v) each Rating Agency has confirmed that the appointment of such successor servicer shall not cause its then-current rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn. No compensation payable to a successor from payments on the Collateral shall be greater than that paid to the Servicer without the prior written consent of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes, a Majority of the Notes and a Majority of the Preference Shares.

The Servicing Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, cannot be delegated by the Servicer, in whole or in part, except to any entity that (i) is controlled by any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers and (ii) is one in which any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers is involved in the day to day management and operations (and in any such case pursuant to an instrument of delegation in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer), without the prior written consent of the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and, notwithstanding any such consent, no delegation of obligations or duties by the Servicer (including, without limitation, to an entity described above) shall relieve the Servicer from any liability under the Servicing Agreement.

## THE CO-ISSUERS

### General

The Issuer was incorporated as an exempted limited liability company on October 17, 2006 in the Cayman Islands under registration number MC 175768. The registered office of the Issuer is at the offices of Maples Finance Limited, P.O. Box 1093GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands. The Issuer's telephone number is (345) 945-7099. The Issuer has no prior operating experience (other than in connection with the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations during the Accumulation Period) and will not have any material assets other than (i) the Collateral pledged to secure the Secured Obligations, and (ii) \$2,000 (of which \$1,000 represents the Issuer's ordinary share capital and \$1,000 represents a fee for issuing the Securities).

The Co-Issuer was formed on June 5, 2007 in the State of Delaware under registration number 4364205 as a limited liability company and has a perpetual existence. The registered office of the Co-Issuer is c/o Corporation Service Company, 2711 Centerville Road, Suite 400, Wilmington, Delaware 19808. The independent manager of the Co-Issuer is Donald J. Puglisi and he may be contacted at c/o Puglisi & Associates, 850 Library Avenue, Suite 204, Newark, Delaware 19711, telephone number (302) 738-6680. The Co-Issuer has no prior operating history and will not have any material assets (other than its U.S.\$10 of membership interests owned by the Share Trustee).

The Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer and non-recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuer and the Preference Shares are equity interests only in the Issuer. The Securities are not obligations of the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers, the Administrator, the Holders of the Preference Shares, Maples Finance Limited, as the share trustee (in such capacity, the "**Share Trustee**"), or any directors or officers of the Co-Issuers or any of their respective Affiliates.

At the Closing Date, the authorized share capital of the Issuer consists of 1,000 ordinary shares, U.S.\$1.00 par value per share (the "**Issuer Ordinary Shares**"), all of which will have been issued prior to the Closing Date, and 63,000 Preference Shares, U.S.\$0.01 par value per share, all of which will be issued on or about the Closing Date. All of the outstanding Issuer Ordinary Shares will be held by the Share Trustee. The membership interests in the Co-Issuer will be held by the Issuer for so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding, no transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares to a U.S. Person shall be registered.

The Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares will be identical in all respects except that the Class II Preference Shares will also be entitled, subject to any restrictions under Cayman Islands law, to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments and will have voting rights with respect to the directors of the Issuer as described herein. In addition to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments payable on the Class II Preference Shares, regular dividends will be payable on the Class II Preference Shares and the Class I Preference Shares on each Payment Date in the amounts and in the priority described under the Priority of Payments; provided that, if and to the extent sufficient funds to pay such regular dividends in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Cayman Islands law are not available on any Payment Date, such unpaid regular dividends will cease to be payable on such Payment Date or any other date. Class II Preference Share Special Payments will be paid to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares on a *pro rata* basis according to the number of Class II Preference Shares held by each Holder. All other dividends and distributions in respect of the Preference Shares will be paid to the Holders of the Preference Shares on a *pro rata* basis according to the number of Preference Shares held by each Holder.

## Capitalization

The initial proposed capitalization of the Issuer as of the Closing Date after giving effect to the initial issuance of the Securities and the Issuer Ordinary Shares (before deducting expenses of the offering) is as set forth below.

	<u>Amount (U.S.\$)</u>
Class A-1 Notes .....	\$417,200,000
Class A-2 Notes .....	\$104,300,000
Class B Notes.....	\$41,300,000
Class C Notes.....	\$37,100,000
Class D Notes.....	\$16,100,000
Class E Notes.....	\$21,000,000
Total Notes .....	\$637,000,000
Class I Preference Shares.....	\$17,500,000
Class II Preference Shares .....	\$45,500,000
Issuer Ordinary Shares.....	1,000
Total Equity.....	\$63,001,000
Total Capitalization.....	\$700,001,000

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The Co-Issuer will be capitalized only to the extent of its U.S.\$10 limited liability company interest, will have no assets other than its equity capital and will have no debt other than as Co-Issuer of the Notes.

## Business

The Issuer Charter limits the activities of the Issuer to (i) acquisition and disposition of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments solely for its own account, (ii) entering into, and performing its obligations under, the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents, any Hedge Agreements, the Securities Lending Agreements, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Administration Agreement, (iii) the issuance and sale of the Securities and the Issuer Ordinary Shares, (iv) the pledge of the Collateral as security for its obligations in respect of the Notes and any Hedge Agreements, (v) entering into certain pre-closing warehousing arrangements and the agreements relating thereto, (vi) owning all of the membership interests in the Co-Issuer and (vii) undertaking certain other activities incidental to the foregoing. Paragraph 2 of the Co-Issuer's Limited Liability Company Agreement states that the Co-Issuer will not undertake any business other than the issuance of the Notes. The Co-Issuer will not pledge any assets to secure the Notes, and will not have any interest in the Collateral held by the Issuer.

## Administration

Maples Finance Limited, a Cayman Islands company, will act as the administrator of the Issuer (in such capacity, the "**Administrator**"), the Share Registrar and the Share Trustee. The office of the Administrator will serve as the principal office of the Issuer. Through this office and pursuant to the terms of an agreement by and between the Administrator and the Issuer (as amended, supplemented and modified from time to time) (the "**Administration Agreement**"), the Administrator will perform various administrative functions on behalf of the Issuer, including the provision of certain clerical and other services including acting as Share Registrar until termination of the Administration Agreement. In



consideration of the foregoing, the Administrator will receive various fees and reimbursement of its expenses.

The activities of the Administrator under the Administration Agreement will be subject to the overview of the Issuer's Board of Directors. The Administration Agreement may be terminated by the Issuer upon 14 days' written notice following the happening of certain events or upon 90 days' written notice in all other cases. There is no requirement in the Administration Agreement that a replacement administrator be appointed prior to the effectiveness of any withdrawal or termination of the Administrator. Upon the earlier of the termination of the Administration Agreement or the dissolution of the Issuer, the Administrator shall cease to serve in such capacity.

The Administrator's principal office is at P.O. Box 1093GT, Boundary Hall, Cricket Square, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands.

### **Directors**

The Issuer will have two directors, each of whom will initially be an employee or officer of the Administrator or an Affiliate of the Administrator.

The directors of the Issuer are Chris Marett and Hugh Thompson. Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may, for so long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding is greater than the number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding, vote at any time to remove any or all (but, so long as such directors are all associated with Maples Finance Limited, not less than all) of the directors and appoint other directors who may be employees, officers or designees of the Servicer.

Directors of the Issuer may serve as directors of, and provide services to, other special purpose entities that issue collateralized obligations and perform other duties for the Administrator and the Servicer, as the case may be. They may be contacted at the address of the Administrator.

The Independent Manager of the Co-Issuer is Donald Puglisi. Mr. Puglisi is a Professor of Finance Emeritus at the University of Delaware. Mr. Puglisi serves as an independent manager of, and provides services to, a number of special purpose entities. He may be contacted at the address of the Co-Issuer.

## **PREVENTION OF MONEY LAUNDERING**

To ensure compliance with applicable statutory requirements relating to anti-money laundering and anti-terrorism initiatives, the Share Registrar, on behalf of the Issuer, will require verification of identity and source of funds from all prospective purchasers of the Preference Shares. Depending on the circumstances of each purchase, it may not always be necessary to obtain full documentary evidence of identity and/or source of funds where:

1. The purchaser is a licensed entity or financial institution regulated in a country recognized as having an adequate anti-money laundering regime<sup>1</sup>;
2. The purchaser is an entity or financial institution listed on the Cayman Islands or other approved stock exchange<sup>2</sup>; or
3. The funds have been paid from an account held in the name of the purchaser at a financial institution based in a country recognized as having an adequate anti-money laundering regime.

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<sup>1</sup> The list of acceptable countries is: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bahamas, Bahrain, Barbados, Belgium, Bermuda, Brazil, British Virgin Islands, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Gibraltar, Greece, Guernsey, Hong Kong, Iceland, Ireland, Isle of Man, Israel, Italy, Japan, Jersey, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Malta, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Panama, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom and United States of America.

<sup>2</sup> A list of approved Stock Exchanges can be found under Appendix H of the Cayman Islands Money Laundering Regulations (as amended) which may be accessed on the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority website at [www.cimoney.com.ky](http://www.cimoney.com.ky).

## INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

The following is a summary based on present law of certain Cayman Islands and U.S. federal income tax considerations for prospective purchasers of the Securities. It addresses only purchasers that buy in the original offering at the original offering price, hold the Securities as capital assets and use the U.S. dollar as their functional currency. The discussion is a general summary. It is not a substitute for tax advice. The discussion does not consider the circumstances of particular purchasers, some of which (such as banks, insurance companies, securities traders and dealers or persons holding the Notes or Preference Shares as part of a hedge, straddle, conversion, integrated or constructive sale transaction) are subject to special tax regimes.

**THE STATEMENTS ABOUT U.S. FEDERAL TAX ISSUES ARE MADE TO SUPPORT MARKETING OF THE SECURITIES. NO TAXPAYER CAN RELY ON THEM TO AVOID TAX PENALTIES. EACH PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER SHOULD SEEK ADVICE FROM AN INDEPENDENT TAX ADVISOR ABOUT THE TAX CONSEQUENCES UNDER ITS OWN PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCES OF INVESTING IN SECURITIES UNDER THE LAWS OF THE CAYMAN ISLANDS, THE UNITED STATES AND ITS CONSTITUENT JURISDICTIONS AND ANY OTHER JURISDICTION WHERE THE PURCHASER MAY BE SUBJECT TO TAXATION.**

For purposes of this discussion, a "**Holder**" is a beneficial owner of a Security. A "**U.S. Holder**" is a Holder that is for U.S. federal income tax purposes (i) an individual citizen or resident of the United States, (ii) a corporation, partnership or other business entity organized in or under the laws of the United States or its political subdivisions, (iii) a trust subject to the control of a U.S. person and the primary supervision of a U.S. court or (iv) an estate the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income taxation regardless of its source. A "**Non-U.S. Holder**" is any Holder other than a U.S. Holder.

### **Taxation of the Issuer**

#### *Cayman Islands Taxation*

The Issuer will not be subject to income, capital, transfer, sales or franchise tax in the Cayman Islands. The Issuer has been incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands as an exempted company. The Issuer has obtained or expects to obtain an undertaking from the Governor-in-Cabinet of the Cayman Islands in substantially the following form:

The Tax Concessions Law  
(1999) Revision  
Undertaking as to Tax Concessions

In accordance with Section 6 of the Tax Concession Law (1999 Revision) the Governor in Cabinet undertakes with Stratford CLO, Ltd. (the "**Issuer**"):

(a) That no law which is hereinafter enacted in the Cayman Islands imposing any tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations shall apply to the Issuer or its operations; and

(b) In addition, that no tax be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations or which is in the nature of estate duty or inheritance tax shall be payable:

(i) on or in respect of the shares, debentures or other obligations of the Issuer; or

(ii) by way of the withholding in whole or in part of any relevant payments as defined in Section 6(3) of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision).

These concessions shall be for a period of twenty years from October 24, 2006.

### **U.S. Taxation**

Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP, special U.S. federal income tax counsel to the Issuer, will provide the Issuer with an opinion of counsel to the effect that although there is no authority directly addressing the U.S. federal income tax treatment of a non-U.S. corporation engaging in similar activities, assuming that the Servicer and the Issuer comply with the provisions of the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement and the other transaction documents, the Issuer will not be engaged in a trade or business within the United States. Prospective investors should be aware that an opinion of counsel is not binding on the IRS or the courts, and that no ruling will be sought from the IRS regarding the U.S. federal income tax treatment of the Issuer. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the IRS will not take a position that is contrary to the opinions of special U.S. federal income tax counsel to the Issuer, or that a court will not agree with the contrary position of the IRS if the matter were litigated. As long as the Issuer conducts its affairs so that it is not engaged in a trade or business within the United States, its net income will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax. Should the Issuer acquire certain Eligible Equity Securities, Defaulted Collateral Obligations or securities received in an exchange issued by a non-corporate entity engaged in a U.S. trade or business, those securities or obligations should not cause the Issuer's income from other securities or obligations to become subject to net income tax in the United States. There are no restrictions on the location from which the Servicer may perform its duties under the Servicing Agreement and performance of such duties from certain locations could subject the Issuer to state, local or foreign net income or franchise tax. The Issuer also expects that payments received on the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments generally will not be subject to withholding taxes imposed by the United States or other countries from which such payments are sourced. There can be no assurance, however, that the Issuer's income will not become subject to net income or withholding taxes in the United States or other countries as the result of unanticipated activities by the Issuer, changes in law, contrary conclusions by relevant tax authorities or other causes. Income from Eligible Equity Securities, Defaulted Collateral Obligations or securities received in an exchange of U.S. issuers is likely to be subject to U.S. tax. The extent to which United States or other source country taxes may apply to the Issuer's income will depend on the actual composition of its assets. In addition, the Issuer will hold obligations or securities that include or support letters of credit. Whether payments received with respect to such obligations or securities are subject to United States withholding tax is unclear. The imposition of unanticipated net income or withholding taxes could materially impair the Issuer's ability to pay principal, interest and other amounts on the Notes and to make distributions on the Preference Shares.

### **Taxation of the Holders**

#### **U.S. Taxation**

##### **Notes**

Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP, special U.S. federal income tax counsel to the Issuer, believes that the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes will be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The Issuer intends, and the Indenture provides that each holder will agree, to treat all of the Notes as debt for such purposes, and the following discussion assumes that the Notes will be debt.

*U.S. Holders.* A U.S. Holder of a Note generally must include qualified stated interest in gross income in accordance with its regular method of tax accounting. Qualified stated interest generally is

interest that is unconditionally payable. Because stated interest on the Notes is determined at a floating rate, it is treated as accruing at a hypothetical fixed rate equal to the value of the floating rate on the issue date. The amount of qualified stated interest actually recognized for any accrual period will increase (or decrease) if the interest actually paid during the period is more (or less) than the amount accrued at the hypothetical fixed rate.

A U.S. Holder of a Note issued with more than de minimis original issue discount ("**OID**") also must include the OID in income on a constant yield to maturity basis whether or not it receives cash payments. Generally, a debt instrument has OID if its stated redemption price at maturity exceeds its issue price by as much as 0.25% of its stated redemption price multiplied its weighted average maturity ("**de minimis OID**"). The issue price of a debt instrument is the initial offering price at which a substantial amount is sold (excluding sales to brokers or similar persons). The stated redemption price at maturity of a debt instrument is the total of all payments due on the debt instrument other than payments of qualified stated interest. Because stated interest on the Class A Notes and Class B Notes may not be deferred, stated interest on these Notes is treated as qualified stated interest. The amount of OID, if any, allocable to each accrual period will be an amount equal to the product of the Note's adjusted issue price at the beginning of the accrual period and the yield to maturity, less the amount of any qualified stated interest payments for such accrual period. A Note's adjusted issue price at the beginning of any accrual period generally equals its initial issue price increased by the aggregate amounts of OID accrued on the Note in all prior accrual periods and reduced by all prior payments other than payments of qualified stated interest.

Because interest on the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes may be deferred, stated interest on those Notes will not be treated as qualified stated interest and therefore will be treated as OID unless the likelihood of deferral is remote. The Issuer has not been able to determine that the likelihood of deferral is remote and, therefore, will treat the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes as issued with OID that includes all stated interest as well as any excess of their par amount over issue price (since any such excess will, together with stated interest, exceed the de minimis amount). Because the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes bear interest at a floating rate, a holder must make adjustments to the OID recognized in an accrual period to the extent the interest actually payable for the period differs from the interest payable at the hypothetical fixed rate. Even if the likelihood of deferral were remote, a U.S. Holder must accrue OID on the unpaid amount (including accrued but undistributed OID of any Class of Notes on which interest actually was deferred).

Because the Stated Maturity of the Notes may be extended if certain conditions are met, it is unclear whether the Notes should be treated as maturing on 2021 or 2037. The Treasury regulations do not provide clear guidance on debt instruments with terms similar to the Notes. The Issuer intends to take the position that the Notes should, prior to exercise of the Issuer's extension right, be treated as maturing on 2021. The Issuer also intends to take the position that the Extension Bonus Payment is not treated as contingent interest (causing the Notes to be subject to special rules for contingent payment debt instruments) but rather as consideration for exercise of that right. The following discussion assumes those treatments are correct. Prospective investors in the Notes should consult their tax advisors regarding whether the Notes should be treated as maturing on a different date and the tax consequences if the Notes have a maturity date other than 2021 or if the Extension Bonus Payment is treated as contingent interest.

If the Issuer's exercises its extension right, the federal income tax consequences to a Holder will depend on whether that extension is treated as resulting in a deemed retirement of the Notes in exchange for an issuance of new Notes ("**New Notes**") in a deemed exchange for U.S. federal income tax purposes (a "**Deemed Exchange**"). The first extension of the Stated Maturity of the Notes (the "**Extension**") will result in a Deemed Exchange if the Issuer's right to extend that maturity is not treated as a unilateral

option and the yield to maturity of the Notes is, after taking into account the Extension Bonus Payment, changed by more than 25 basis points from the yield to maturity of the Notes immediately before the Extension. For any subsequent Extension, the Extension will result in a Deemed Exchange unless the right to extend is treated as a unilateral option. If the Extension is treated as a Deemed Exchange, a U.S. Holder will recognize gain, if any, and any recognition of loss will be deferred until the Holder disposes of the Note, if any. In computing that gain or loss, a U.S. Holder will be treated as realizing an amount equal to the sum of (x) the Extension Bonus Payment and (y) (i) if the New Notes are treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the issue price of the New Notes or (ii) if the New Notes are not treated as debt for such purposes, their fair market value. Whether the New Notes are treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes would depend on the facts and circumstances at the time of such a Deemed Exchange. If the New Notes are treated as debt, their issue price will depend on whether the Notes or New Notes are treated as "publicly traded" for U.S. federal income tax purposes taking into account facts at that time. If the Notes are treated as publicly traded, the issue price of the New Notes will be their fair market value. If they are debt but are not publicly traded, assuming the stated interest rate on the Notes exceeds the "applicable federal rate" at that time (as the Issuer expects to be the case), their issue price will be equal to stated par amount. U.S. Holders are strongly urged to consult their tax advisors regarding the tax consequences of such a Deemed Exchange.

The Issuer's right to extend maturity should, assuming the Extension Bonus Payment is considered determined based on a formula that uses objective financial information (as Issuer expects), be treated as a unilateral option (so that exercise of that right does not, by itself, cause a Deemed Exchange) unless at the time of the Extension, the Extension Qualifying Purchaser is related to the Issuer. Whether the Extension Qualifying Purchaser will be treated as related to the Issuer must be determined by the ownership of the Preference Shares at each Extension Effective Date.

Even if the Issuer's right to extend maturity is not a unilateral option, the Extension may not be treated as a Deemed Exchange unless the Extension Bonus Payment changes yield by more than 25 basis points. In making this determination, (a) the Extension Bonus Payment should be treated as reducing the adjusted issue price of the Notes, (b) remaining yield to maturity determined based on discounting all remaining payments (with the assumed amount of stated interest payments determined using the current value of the floating rate) back to that adjusted issue price over the remaining maturity of the Notes and (c) that remaining yield compared to the yield on the Notes as of the date of the Extension (determined without regard to the Extension Bonus Payment, and also using the current value of the floating rate on the Notes).

If the Issuer's right to extend maturity is a unilateral option and the change in yield resulting from payment of the Extension Bonus Payment does not exceed 25 basis points, the Extension should not be treated as a Deemed Exchange. In that case, the Issuer will treat the Extension Bonus Payment as reducing a U.S. Holder's basis in the Notes and will treat the Notes as reissued solely for purposes of determining OID at a price equal to their adjusted issue price at that time (reduced by the Extension Bonus Payment), generally with the effect that the Extension Bonus Payment is taken into account over the remaining maturity of the Notes rather than upon a Deemed Exchange in computing gain or loss.

Interest and OID on the Notes will be ordinary income, and assuming the Issuer is not engaged in a U.S. trade or business, the interest and OID will be generally from sources outside the United States.

A U.S. Holder generally will recognize gain or loss on the disposition of a Note in an amount equal to the difference between the amount realized (excluding accrued but unpaid, qualified stated interest) and the U.S. Holder's adjusted tax basis in the Note. The gain or loss generally will be capital gain or loss from sources within the United States.

*Alternative Treatment.* The U.S. Internal Revenue Service may challenge the treatment of the Notes, particularly the Class D Notes and Class E Notes, as debt of the Issuer. If the challenge were to succeed, a U.S. Holder of the affected Notes would be treated like a Holder of Preference Shares that had not elected to treat the Issuer as a qualified electing fund, as described below.

*Non-U.S. Holders.* Interest paid to a Non-U.S. Holder will not be subject to U.S. withholding tax as long as the Issuer is not engaged in a U.S. trade or business. Even if the Issuer were engaged in a U.S. trade or business, interest paid to many Non-U.S. Holders would qualify for an exemption from withholding tax if the holders certify their foreign status. Interest paid to a Non-U.S. Holder also will not be subject to U.S. federal net income tax unless such amounts are effectively connected with the Non-U.S. Holder's conduct of a trade or business within the United States. Gain realized by a Non-U.S. Holder on the redemption or disposition of a Note will not be subject to U.S. tax unless (i) the gain is effectively connected with the Holder's conduct of a U.S. trade or business or (ii) the Holder is an individual present in the United States for at least 183 days during the taxable year of disposition and certain other conditions are met.

### **Preference Shares**

*U.S. Holders.* Subject to the passive foreign investment company rules and the controlled foreign corporation rules discussed below, a U.S. Holder generally must treat distributions received with respect to the Preference Shares as dividend income. Dividends will not be eligible for the dividends-received deduction allowable to corporations or for the preferential tax rate applicable to qualified dividend income of individuals and certain other non-corporate taxpayers. For purposes of determining a U.S. Holder's foreign tax credit limitation, dividends received from a foreign corporation generally are treated as income from sources outside the United States. If U.S. Holders together hold at least half (by vote or value) of the Preference Shares and other interests treated as equity in the Issuer, however, a percentage of the dividend income equal to the proportion of the Issuer's income that comes from U.S. sources will be treated as income from sources within the United States. Except as otherwise required by the rules discussed below, gain or loss on the sale or other disposition of the Preference Shares will be capital gain or loss. Gain and loss realized by a U.S. Holder generally will be U.S. source income.

*Passive Foreign Investment Company.* The Issuer will be a passive foreign investment company (a "PFIC"). A U.S. Holder therefore will be subject to additional tax on excess distributions received on the Preference Shares or gains realized on the disposition of the Preference Shares. A U.S. Holder will have an excess distribution if distributions received on the Preference Shares during any tax year exceed 125% of the average amount received during the three preceding tax years (or, if shorter, the U.S. Holder's holding period). A U.S. Holder may realize gain for this purpose not only through a sale or other disposition, but also by pledging the Preference Shares as security for a loan or entering into certain constructive disposition transactions. To compute the tax on an excess distribution or any gain, (i) the excess distribution or gain is allocated ratably over the U.S. Holder's holding period, (ii) the amount allocated to the current tax year is taxed as ordinary income and (iii) the amount allocated to each previous tax year is taxed at the highest applicable marginal rate for that year and an interest charge is imposed to recover the deemed benefit from the deferred payment of the tax. These rules effectively prevent a U.S. Holder from treating gain on the Preference Shares as capital gain.

A U.S. Holder of Preference Shares may wish to avoid the tax consequences just described by electing to treat the Issuer as a qualified electing fund ("QEF"). If the U.S. Holder makes a QEF election, the U.S. Holder will be required to include in gross income each year, whether or not the Issuer makes distributions, its *pro rata* share of the Issuer's net earnings. That income will be long-term capital gain to the extent of the U.S. Holder's *pro rata* share of the Issuer's net capital gains. The remainder will be ordinary income. Amounts recognized by a U.S. Holder making a QEF election generally are treated as

income from sources outside the United States. If U.S. Holders together hold at least half (by vote or value) of the Preference Shares and other interests treated as equity in the Issuer, however, a percentage of those amounts equal to the proportion of the Issuer's income that comes from U.S. sources will be U.S. source income for the U.S. Holders. Because the U.S. Holder has already paid tax on them, the amounts previously included in income will not be subject to tax when they are distributed to the U.S. Holder. An electing U.S. Holder's basis in the Preference Shares will increase by any amounts the holder includes in income currently and decrease by any amounts not subject to tax when distributed. The Issuer will provide holders of the Preference Shares with the information needed to make a QEF election.

A U.S. Holder that makes a QEF election may recognize income in amounts significantly greater than the distributions received from the Issuer. Income may exceed distributions when, for example, the Issuer uses earnings to repay principal on the Notes or accrues original issue discount or market discount on Collateral Obligations. A U.S. Holder that makes a QEF election will be required to include in income currently its *pro rata* share of the earnings or discount whether or not the Issuer actually makes distributions. Purchasers of the Class I Preference Shares should note that, because of the priority given to the Class II Preference Shares in respect of certain distributions, U.S. holders of Class I Preference Shares that make a QEF election could pay taxes on their *pro rata* share of earnings even though the related cash is distributed to holders of the Class II Preference Shares. The holder may be able to elect to defer payment, subject to an interest charge for the deferral period, of the tax on income recognized on account of the QEF election. Prospective purchasers should consult their tax advisors about the advisability of making the QEF and deferred payment elections.

*Controlled Foreign Corporation.* The Issuer also may be a controlled foreign corporation (a "CFC") if U.S. Holders that each own (directly, indirectly or by attribution) at least 10% of the Preference Shares and any other interests treated as voting equity in the Issuer (each such U.S. Holder, a "10% U.S. Shareholder") together own more than 50% (by vote or value) of the Preference Shares and any other interests treated as equity in the Issuer. If the Issuer is a CFC, a 10% U.S. Shareholder will be subject to the CFC rules rather than the PFIC rules. A 10% U.S. Shareholder on the last day of the Issuer's taxable year must recognize ordinary income equal to its *pro rata* share of the Issuer's net earnings (including both ordinary earnings and capital gains) for the tax year whether or not the Issuer makes a distribution. The income will be treated as income from sources within the United States to the extent it is derived by the Issuer from U.S. sources. Earnings on which the U.S. Holder pays tax currently will not be taxed again when they are distributed to the U.S. Holder. A U.S. Holder's basis in its interest in the Issuer will increase by any amounts the holder includes in income currently and decrease by any amounts not subject to tax when distributed. If the Issuer is a CFC, (i) the Issuer will incur U.S. withholding tax on interest received from a related U.S. person, (ii) special reporting rules will apply to directors of the Issuer and certain other persons and (iii) certain other restrictions may apply. Subject to a special limitation for individual U.S. Holders that have held the Preference Shares for more than one year, gain from disposition of Preference Shares recognized by a U.S. Holder that is (or recently has been) a 10% U.S. Shareholder will be treated as dividend income to the extent earnings attributed to the Preference Shares accumulated while the U.S. Holder held the Preference Shares and the Issuer was a CFC. If the Issuer is a CFC, a 10% U.S. Shareholder will be subject to the CFC rules rather than the PFIC rules.

U.S. Holders generally must report, with their tax return for the tax year that includes the Closing Date, certain information relating to their purchase of the Preference Shares on IRS Form 926. In the event that a U.S. Holder fails to file any such required form, the U.S. Holder could be subject to a penalty equal to 10% of the gross amount paid for the Preference Shares subject to a maximum penalty equal to \$100,000 (except in cases of intentional disregard). A U.S. Holder may be required specifically to disclose any loss on the Preference Shares on its tax return under regulations on tax shelter transactions. When the U.S. Holder holds 10% of the shares in a CFC or QEF, the holder also must disclose any Issuer transactions reportable under those regulations. The Issuer will provide holders of the Preference Shares



with information about Issuer transactions reportable under those regulations. A significant penalty may be imposed on taxpayers who fail to make a required disclosure. U.S. Holders are urged to consult their tax advisors about these and all other specific reporting requirements.

*Non-U.S. Holders.* Distributions to a Non-U.S. Holder of Preference Shares will not be subject to U.S. tax unless the distributions are effectively connected with the Non-U.S. Holder's conduct of a trade or business within the United States. Gain realized by a Non-U.S. Holder on the sale or other disposition of the Preference Shares will not be subject to U.S. tax unless (i) the gain is effectively connected with the holder's conduct of a U.S. trade or business or (ii) the holder is an individual present in the United States for at least 183 days during the taxable year of disposition and certain other conditions are met.

### **Tax-Exempt Investors**

Special considerations apply to pension plans and other investors that are subject to tax only on their unrelated business taxable income ("UBTI"). A tax-exempt investor's interest income and gain from the Notes and Preference Shares generally would not be treated as UBTI if the investor's investment in the Notes or Preference Shares is not debt-financed. However, a tax-exempt investor in Notes that also owns (directly, indirectly or by attribution) more than 50% (by vote or value) of the Preference Shares should consider the possible application of the special UBTI rules for interest received from controlled entities. Each prospective tax-exempt investor should consult its own tax advisor regarding the tax consequences to it of an investment in the Notes or the Preference Shares.

### **U.S. Information Reporting and Backup Withholding**

Payments of principal and interest on the Notes, distributions on the Preference Shares and proceeds from the disposition of the Notes or Preference Shares paid to a non-corporate Holder generally will be subject to U.S. information reporting. Payments to Non-U.S. Holders that provide certification of foreign status generally are exempt from information reporting. Backup withholding tax may apply to reportable payments unless the Holder provides a correct taxpayer identification number or otherwise establishes an exemption. Any amount withheld may be credited against a Holder's U.S. federal income tax liability or refunded to the extent it exceeds the Holder's liability.

**THE DISCUSSION ABOVE IS A GENERAL SUMMARY. IT DOES NOT COVER ALL TAX MATTERS THAT MAY BE IMPORTANT TO A PARTICULAR INVESTOR. EACH PROSPECTIVE INVESTOR SHOULD CONSULT ITS OWN TAX ADVISOR ABOUT THE TAX CONSEQUENCES OF AN INVESTMENT IN THE RATED NOTES OR THE INCOME NOTES UNDER THE INVESTOR'S OWN CIRCUMSTANCES.**

## **CERTAIN ERISA CONSIDERATIONS**

**THE STATEMENTS ABOUT U.S. FEDERAL TAX ISSUES ARE MADE TO SUPPORT MARKETING OF THE OFFERED SECURITIES. NO TAXPAYER CAN RELY ON THEM TO AVOID U.S. FEDERAL TAX PENALTIES. EACH PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER SHOULD SEEK ADVICE FROM AN INDEPENDENT TAX ADVISOR ABOUT THE TAX CONSEQUENCES UNDER ITS OWN PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCES OF INVESTING IN THE OFFERED SECURITIES UNDER THE LAWS OF THE CAYMAN ISLANDS, THE UNITED STATES AND ITS CONSTITUENT JURISDICTIONS AND ANY OTHER JURISDICTION WHERE THE PURCHASER MAY BE SUBJECT TO TAXATION.**

Except as described below, the Preference Shares may not be purchased by any Benefit Plan Investor. Subject to the following discussion, the Notes may generally be acquired by Benefit Plan Investors. Any fiduciary or other person contemplating an investment in the Securities by, on behalf of or using the assets of, an employee benefit or similar plan or arrangement, whether or not subject to Title I of ERISA (as defined below) or Section 4975 of the Code, should consider, among other things, the matters described below before deciding whether to invest in any of the Securities.

The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("**ERISA**"), establishes fiduciary standards for persons having authority or control of the assets of employee benefit plans subject to Title I thereof, including collective investment funds and other entities whose underlying assets are treated as if they were the assets of such plans (collectively, "**ERISA Plans**") pursuant to Section 3(42) of ERISA, and the regulation issued by the United States Department of Labor ("**DOL**") and found at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 (the "**Plan Asset Regulation**") or otherwise pursuant to ERISA. Under Title I of ERISA, any person who exercises any authority or control with respect to the management or disposition of the assets of an ERISA Plan is considered to be a fiduciary of such ERISA Plan.

Investments by ERISA Plans are subject to ERISA's general fiduciary requirements, including the requirement of investment prudence and diversification and the requirement that an ERISA Plan's investments be made in accordance with the documents governing the relevant plan. The prudence of a particular investment must be determined by the responsible fiduciary of an ERISA Plan by taking into account the ERISA Plan's particular circumstances and all of the facts and circumstances of the investment. A fiduciary of an ERISA Plan should consider, for example, that in the future there may be no market in which to sell or otherwise dispose of the Securities, whether an investment in the Securities may be too illiquid or too speculative, and whether the assets of the ERISA Plan would be sufficiently diversified.

Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code effectively prohibit certain transactions involving the assets of an ERISA Plan (as well as those plans that are not subject to Title I of ERISA but are subject to Section 4975 of the Code (each such plan or ERISA Plan, a "**Plan**")) and certain persons having certain relationships to such Plans (referred to as "parties in interest" or "disqualified persons"), unless a statutory or administrative exemption applies to the transaction. A violation of these "prohibited transaction" rules may generate excise tax or other penalties and liabilities under ERISA and the Code for such person.

Additionally, the acquisition or holding of Securities by or on behalf of benefit plans that are not subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, such as foreign plans, governmental plans (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA) and certain church plans (as defined in Section 3(33) of ERISA) could give rise to similar liabilities under federal, state, foreign or local law which may be substantially

similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (a "**Similar Law**"), and/or might be prohibited or otherwise restricted as described herein.

Section 3(42) of ERISA and the Plan Asset Regulation define "plan assets" of a Plan with respect to the Plan's investment in an entity for purposes of certain provisions of ERISA, including the fiduciary responsibility and prohibited transaction provisions of Title I of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code. Under Section 3(42) of ERISA and the Plan Asset Regulation, if a Plan invests in an "equity interest" of an entity that is neither a "publicly-offered security" nor a security issued by an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act, the Plan's assets include both the equity interest and an undivided interest in each of the entity's underlying assets, unless it is established that the entity is an "operating company" or that Benefit Plan Investors hold less than 25% of the value of any class of equity interest of the entity, determined as of the most recent acquisition of an equity interest. The term "Benefit Plan Investor" includes (a) an employee benefit plan as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA, that is subject to Title I of ERISA, (b) a plan described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code and (c) any entity whose underlying assets include "plan assets" of any of the foregoing by reason of an investment in the entity by such a plan or arrangement (a "**Benefit Plan Investor**"). For purposes of making the 25% determination, the value of any equity interests held by a person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) who has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the entity or who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to such assets, or any "affiliate" of such a person (as defined under the Plan Asset Regulation), will be disregarded. Under the Plan Asset Regulation, an "affiliate" of a person includes any person, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controlling, controlled by or under common control with the person, and "control" with respect to a Person other than an individual, means the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of such person.

An "equity interest" is defined under the Plan Asset Regulation as an interest other than an instrument which is treated as indebtedness under applicable local law and which has no substantial equity features.

## Notes

The Co-Issuers believe that, at the time of their issuance, the Notes should be treated as indebtedness without substantial equity features for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulation. This determination is based in part upon the traditional debt features of such Notes, including the reasonable expectation of purchasers of such Notes that they will be repaid when due, as well as the absence of conversion rights, warrants and other typical equity features. The Co-Issuers will therefore not monitor the investment by Benefit Plan Investors in the Notes. It should be noted that the debt treatment of the Notes for ERISA purposes could change subsequent to their issuance (i.e., they could be treated as equity) if the Issuers incur losses or the rating or other terms and conditions of the Notes changes. The risk of recharacterization is enhanced for subordinate classes of the Notes. The Co-Issuers have not obtained an opinion of counsel regarding the debt treatment of Notes under local law or the Plan Asset Regulation.

Regardless of the characterization of the Notes as debt or equity under the Plan Asset Regulation and regardless of the level of Benefit Plan Investor investment in any class of Securities, the acquisition or holding of Notes by or on behalf of a Plan could give rise to a prohibited transaction if any of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, other persons providing services in connection with the Issuers, or any of their respective affiliates is a "party in interest" or "disqualified person" with respect to that Plan. Persons acting on behalf of Plans that acquire the Securities should also consider that an indirect prohibited transaction could result in connection with the Issuer's acquisition of Collateral from the Initial Purchasers (or one of their affiliates) if either of the Initial Purchasers is a "party in interest" or "disqualified person" with respect to such Regulated Plans.

Certain exemptions from the prohibited transaction rules could be applicable, however, depending in part upon the type of fiduciary making the decision to acquire Notes and the circumstances under which such decision is made. Included among these exemptions are the statutory prohibited transactions exemption under Section 408(b)(17) of ERISA and Section 4975(d)(20) of the Code available to "service providers" to the Plan (other than a fiduciary with respect to the Plan assets used to acquire the Notes or any of its affiliates) provided that the transaction is for "adequate consideration", DOL Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption ("**PTCE**") 84-14, regarding transactions effected by independent "qualified professional asset managers;" PTCE 90-1, regarding investments by insurance company pooled separate accounts; PTCE 91-38, regarding investments by bank collective investment funds; PTCE 95-60, regarding investments by insurance company general accounts; and PTCE 96-23, regarding transactions effected by certain "in-house asset managers." However, even if the conditions specified in one or more of these exemptions are met, the scope of the relief provided by these exemptions might or might not cover all acts which might be construed as prohibited transactions. There can be no assurance that any of these, or any other exemption, will be available with respect to any particular transaction involving the Notes.

Similarly, the acquisition or holding of Notes by or on behalf of foreign plans, governmental plans (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA) and certain church plans (as defined in Section 3(33) of ERISA), which are not subject to Title I of ERISA and/or Section 4975 of the Code, could give rise to a prohibited transaction or other liabilities under Similar Law.

By acquiring a Note, each purchaser and transferee will be deemed to represent, warrant and covenant that either (i) it is not, and is not acquiring such Note with the assets of, a Plan or a foreign, governmental or church plan subject to Similar Law, and throughout the holding and disposition of such Note, it will not become or transfer its interest to any Plan or foreign, governmental or church plan or to an entity using the assets thereof, or (ii) the acquisition, holding and disposition of such Note by the purchaser or transferee, throughout its holding and disposition of such Note, will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a foreign, governmental or church plan, any violation of Similar Law), because such purchase, holding and disposition either (x) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (y) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all of the conditions of which are and will be satisfied upon its acquisition of, and throughout its holding and disposition of, such Note. Each investor in a Note will be deemed to represent, warrant and covenant that it will not sell, pledge or otherwise transfer such Note in violation of the foregoing, and that it and any person causing it to acquire such Note agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of such purchaser not satisfying the foregoing or as a result of its transferring its interest to a Person not meeting the foregoing requirements. Any purported transfer of the Note to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of the foregoing shall be null and void *ab initio*, and will vest in the transferee no rights against the Trustee or the Co-Issuers.

### **Preference Shares**

The Preference Shares are equity of the Issuer and will be treated as equity interests for purposes of Section 3(42) of ERISA and the Plan Asset Regulation. Accordingly, the Co-Issuers intend to limit the purchase and holding of each of the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares by Benefit Plan Investors to less than 25% of the aggregate outstanding amount of each of the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares (excluding for purposes of such determination any Preference Shares held by "Controlling Persons" as defined below), by requiring each purchaser or transferee thereof to make certain representations and agreements with respect to its status as a Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person, and to agree to additional transfer restrictions described under "Transfer Restrictions." In making the 25% determination, Preference Shares held by any person (other

than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer or any "affiliate" (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) of any such person (any such person, a "**Controlling Person**") (such as the Preference Shares held by the Servicer or its affiliates and employees thereof) will be disregarded and not treated as outstanding. No purchase of a Preference Share by, or proposed transfer to, a person that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person will be permitted to the extent that such purchase or transfer would result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares, as applicable, (excluding for purposes of such determination any Preference Shares, as applicable, held by any Controlling Person) immediately after such purchase or proposed transfer. In this regard, although Section 3(42) of ERISA provides that an entity is considered to hold plan assets only to the extent of the percentage of the equity interest held by Benefit Plan Investors, 100% Preference Shares held by an entity that is a Benefit Plan Investor (including an insurance company whose general account assets are treated as "plan assets") will be treated as Preference Shares held by a Benefit Plan Investor.

In addition, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Trustee will agree that, after the initial distribution of the Preference Shares, neither they nor any of their respective affiliates will acquire any Preference Shares (including pursuant to the Extension Procedure or the Amendment Buy-Out Option) unless such acquisition would not, as determined by the Trustee in reliance on representations made in the applicable transfer certificates with respect thereto, result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of any of the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such acquisition (determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents). The Preference Shares held as principal by the Servicer, the Trustee, any of their respective affiliates (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) and persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% limitation to the extent that such Controlling Person is not a Benefit Plan Investor.

Each purchaser and transferee will be further required to represent, warrant and covenant that no transfer of a Preference Share will be made to a Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person except as provided herein, and that it and any fiduciaries or other Person causing it to acquire such Securities agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of any transfer of Preference Shares in violation of the foregoing.

### **Insurance Companies**

It should be noted that an insurance company's general account may be deemed to include assets of ERISA Plans under certain circumstances, *e.g.*, where an ERISA Plan purchases an annuity contract issued by such an insurance company, based on the reasoning of the United States Supreme Court in *John Hancock Mutual Life Ins. Co. v. Harris Trust and Savings Bank*, 510 U.S. 86 (1993). An insurance company considering the purchase of Offered Securities with assets of its general account should consider such purchase and the insurance company's ability to make the representations described above in light of *John Hancock Mutual Life Ins. Co. v. Harris Trust and Savings Bank*, Section 401(c) of ERISA and 29 C.F.R. §2550.40c-1.

### **Independent Review and Consultation with Counsel**

Any person proposing to purchase Securities with assets of an employee benefit plan or similar plan or arrangement, including a collective investment fund, insurance company general account or a foreign, governmental or church plan, should consult with its counsel with respect to, among other things, the limitations applicable to Benefit Plan Investors specified herein, and the potential applicability of ERISA, the Code and Similar Law to such investment and whether any exemption from the prohibited transaction provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code or such Similar Law would be applicable. Each investor must determine on its own whether all conditions of any applicable exemption have been satisfied. Moreover, each ERISA Plan fiduciary should determine whether, under the general fiduciary standards of investment prudence and diversification, an investment in the Securities is appropriate for the ERISA Plan, taking into account the overall investment policy of the ERISA Plan, the composition of the ERISA Plan's investment portfolio, and the risk/return characteristics of the Securities.

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The discussion of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code contained in this Offering Memorandum, is, of necessity, general, and does not purport to be complete. Moreover, the provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code are subject to extensive and continuing administrative and judicial interpretation and review. Therefore, the matters discussed above may be affected by future regulations, rulings and court decisions, some of which may have retroactive application and effect.

## PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

The Initial Purchasers will, pursuant to and subject to the terms and conditions of the Purchase Agreement, agree to purchase all of the Notes and the Class I Preference Shares. The offering price and other terms of the offering of the Securities (the "**Offering**") may be changed at any time without notice. Pursuant to the engagement letter entered into by the Initial Purchasers with the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers will receive certain fees and expenses on the Closing Date.

On the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares and all or a portion of the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes and (ii) the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates is expected to purchase certain of the Class I Preference Shares and all or a portion of the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes. No assurance can be given whether HFP or Highland Capital will retain such Securities for any amount of time. The Initial Purchasers or an Affiliate of the Initial Purchasers may provide financing for these purchases. The Initial Purchasers are not acting as placement agents or initial purchasers with respect to the Preference Shares sold by the Issuer to HFP or any of its subsidiaries.

In connection with the offering of the Offered Securities, the Initial Purchasers may, as permitted by applicable law, overallocate or effect transactions that stabilize or maintain the market price of the Securities at a level which might not otherwise prevail in the open market. The stabilizing, if commenced, may be discontinued at any time.

The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act and may not be offered, sold or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, a U.S. person, on behalf of the Co-Issuers (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Issuer), except to Qualified Institutional Buyers in transactions not subject to the registration requirements of the Securities Act in reliance on Rule 144A under the Securities Act, that are also Qualified Purchasers.

Accordingly, in connection with sales outside the United States, the Initial Purchasers will agree that, except as permitted by the Purchase Agreement, they will not offer or sell the Notes within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. Persons as part of its distribution at any time. In addition, an offer or sale of the Securities within the United States by a dealer that is not participating in the offering may violate the registration requirements of the Securities Act if that offer or sale is made otherwise than in accordance with Rule 144A (or, in case of the Preference Shares only, in accordance with another exemption from registration of securities under the Securities Act).

The Co-Issuers have been advised by each Initial Purchaser that it proposes to resell the Notes and the Class I Preference Shares purchased pursuant to the Purchase Agreement (a) only to Qualified Institutional Buyers that are also Qualified Purchasers in reliance on an exemption under the Securities Act and (b), in the case of the Notes, to non U.S. persons in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S. Any offer or sale of Notes or Class I Preference Shares in the United States will be made by the Initial Purchasers or other broker-dealers, including Affiliates of the Initial Purchasers, who are registered as broker-dealers under the Exchange Act. Until the expiration of 40 days after the later of the Closing Date and the commencement of the Offering of the Notes, a re-offer or resale of any Notes originally sold pursuant to Regulation S to, or for the account or benefit of, a U.S. person by a dealer or person receiving a concession, fee or remuneration in respect of the Notes (whether or not they participated in the offering) may violate the registration requirements of the Securities Act unless such offer or sale is made in accordance with an exemption from registration under the Securities Act.

Each purchaser of the Class I Preference Shares on the Closing Date will be required to execute and deliver, a subscription agreement, in form and substance satisfactory to the Co-Issuers and (in the

case of the Class I Preference Shares, the Issuer), which will include, among other things, representations and warranties substantially similar to those described under "Transfer Restrictions."

The Securities are offered when, as and if issued, subject to prior sale or withdrawal, cancellation or modification of the offer. The Securities will constitute new classes of securities with no established trading market. Such a market may or may not develop, but the Initial Purchasers are under no obligation to make such a market, and if they do make such a market they may discontinue any market-making activities with respect to the Securities at any time without notice. Any market-making activities will be subject to restrictions under applicable law. No assurances can be made as to the liquidity of or any trading market for the Securities.

The Pre-Closing Participant is financing the acquisition of Collateral Obligations by the Issuer prior to the Closing Date. The Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates will each be entitled to a share of the interest and any fees and commissions (net of any other amounts payable to the Pre-Closing Participant on loans made by them to finance the acquisition of Collateral Obligations) paid by the obligors of such Collateral Obligations or accrued from the time of purchase to the Closing Date, plus a share of the amount by which any realized net gains exceed any realized net losses on Collateral Obligations sold or fully repaid during the Accumulation Period, in each case, in proportion to the percentage of Preference Shares each such party purchases on the Closing Date. In addition, a broker-dealer Affiliate of the Servicer may receive a fee for placing certain of the Securities. The Initial Purchasers or their Affiliates may also provide financing to the Servicer or its Affiliates in connection with their purchase of certain Class D Notes, Class E Notes and Class II Preference Shares which will be secured by a lien on such financed Class D Notes, Class E Notes and Class II Preference Shares.

This Offering Memorandum is being furnished on a confidential basis solely for the purpose of considering the purchase of the Securities. Each recipient of this Offering Memorandum should make such investigations as it deems necessary to arrive at an independent evaluation of an investment in the Securities and should consult its own legal counsel and financial, accounting, regulatory and tax advisors to determine the consequences of such an investment. Delivery of this Offering Memorandum should not be construed as a recommendation by the Initial Purchasers to purchase the Securities. This Offering Memorandum is intended for the exclusive use of persons who are both Qualified Institutional Buyers and Qualified Purchasers and, if applicable, non-U.S. persons, and may not be reproduced or used for any other purpose or furnished to any other party. No action has been or will be taken in any jurisdiction that would permit a public offering of the Securities, or the possession, circulation or distribution of this Offering Memorandum or any other material relating to the Initial Purchasers or the Securities, in any jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required. Accordingly, the Securities may not be offered or sold, directly or indirectly, and neither this Offering Memorandum nor any other offering material or advertisements in connection with the Securities may be distributed or published, in or from any country or jurisdiction except under circumstances that will result in compliance with any applicable rules and regulations of any such country or jurisdiction.

Each Initial Purchaser will represent and agree that (1) it has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the Financial Services and Markets Act (2000) (the "FSMA") with respect to anything done by it in relation to the Securities in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom; and (2) it has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated any invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of section 21 of FSMA) received by it in connection with the issue or sale of any Notes in circumstances in which section 21(1) of FSMA does not apply to the Issuer.

Each Initial Purchaser has agreed that it has not made and will not make any invitation to the public in the Cayman Islands to subscribe for the Securities.



No action is being taken or is contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Securities or possession or distribution of any Offering Memorandum (in preliminary or final form) or any amendment thereof, any supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Securities in any jurisdiction where, or in any other circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Each Initial Purchaser understands and agrees that it is solely responsible for its own compliance with all laws applicable in each jurisdiction in which it offers and sells the Securities or distributes any Offering Memorandum (in preliminary or final form) or any amendments thereof or supplements thereto or any other material and it agrees to comply with all of these laws.

The Issuer has agreed to indemnify each Initial Purchaser, the Servicer, the Administrator, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Trustee against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, or to contribute to payments it may be required to make in respect thereof.

The Co-Issuers extend to each prospective investor the opportunity, prior to the consummation of the sale of the Securities, to ask questions of, and receive answers from the Co-Issuers or a person or persons acting on behalf of the Co-Issuers, including the Initial Purchasers concerning the Securities and the terms and conditions of this Offering and to obtain any additional information it may consider necessary in making an informed investment decision and any information in order to verify the accuracy of the information set forth herein, to the extent the Co-Issuers possess the same or can acquire the same without unreasonable effort or expense. Requests for such additional information can be directed to the Initial Purchasers at 1301 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY, 10019, Attention: Credit Markets & CDOs.

## **SETTLEMENT AND CLEARING**

### **Book Entry Registration of the Global Notes**

So long as the Depository, or its nominee, is the registered owner or Holder of a Global Note, the Depository or the nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the sole owner or Holder of the Notes represented by a Global Note for all purposes under the Indenture, the Issuer Charter and the Global Notes, and members of, or participants in, the Depository as well as any other persons on whose behalf the participants may act (including Clearstream and Euroclear and account holders and participants therein) will have no rights under the Indenture, the Issuer Charter or a Global Note. Owners of beneficial interests in a Global Note will not be considered to be owners or Holders of the related Note under the Indenture or the Issuer Charter. Unless the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for a Global Note or ceases to be a "clearing agency" registered under the Exchange Act, owners of a beneficial interest in a Global Note will not be entitled to have any portion of a Global Note registered in their names, will not receive or be entitled to receive physical delivery of Notes in certificated form and will not be considered to be the owners or Holders of any Notes under the Indenture. In addition, no beneficial owner of an interest in a Global Note will be able to transfer that interest except in accordance with the Depository's applicable procedures (in addition to those under the Indenture and, if applicable, those of Euroclear and Clearstream).

Investors may hold their interests in a Regulation S Global Note directly through Clearstream or Euroclear, if they are participants in Clearstream or Euroclear, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in Clearstream or Euroclear. Clearstream and Euroclear will hold interests in the Regulation S Global Notes on behalf of their participants through their respective depositories, which in turn will hold the interests in Regulation S Global Notes in customers' securities accounts in the depositories' names on the books of the Depository. Investors may hold their interests in a Rule 144A Global Note directly through the Depository if they are participants in the Depository, or in directly through organizations that are participants in the Depository.

Payments of principal of, or interest or other distributions on a Global Note will be made to the Depository or its nominee, as the registered owner thereof. The Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the paying agents, the Initial Purchasers, the Servicer and their respective Affiliates will not have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests in a Global Note or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to the beneficial ownership interests.

The Co-Issuers expect that the Depository or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment of principal, interest, or other distributions in respect of a Global Note representing any Notes, as the case may be, held by it or its nominee, will immediately credit participants' accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the stated aggregate principal amount or number of a Global Note for the Notes, as shown on the records of the Depository or its nominee. The Co-Issuers also expect that payments by participants to owners of beneficial interests in a Global Note held through the participants will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers registered in the names of nominees for those customers. The payments will be the responsibility of the participants.

### **Global Note Settlement Procedures**

Transfers between the participants in the Depository will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with the Depository rules and will be settled in immediately available funds. The laws of some states require that certain persons take physical delivery of securities in definitive form.

Consequently, the ability to transfer beneficial interests in a Global Note to these persons may be limited. Because the Depository can only act on behalf of participants, who in turn act on behalf of indirect participants and certain banks, the ability of a person holding a beneficial interest in a Global Note to pledge its interest to persons or entities that do not participate in the Depository system, or otherwise take actions in respect of its interest, may be affected by the lack of a physical certificate of the interest. Transfers between participants in Euroclear and Clearstream will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with their respective rules and operating procedures.

Subject to compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Securities described above and under "Transfer Restrictions," cross-market transfers between the Depository, on the one hand, and directly or indirectly through Euroclear or Clearstream participants, on the other, will be effected in the Depository in accordance with the Depository rules on behalf of Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, by its respective depository; *however*, the cross-market transactions will require delivery of instructions to Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, by the counterparty in the system in accordance with its rules and procedures and within its established deadlines (Brussels time). Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, will if the transaction meets its settlement requirements, deliver instructions to its respective depository to take action to effect final settlement on its behalf by delivering or receiving interests in a Note represented by a Regulation S Global Note in the Depository and making or receiving payment in accordance with normal procedures for same-day funds settlement applicable to the Depository. Clearstream participants and Euroclear participants may not deliver instructions directly to the depositories of Clearstream or Euroclear.

Because of time zone differences, cash received in Euroclear or Clearstream as a result of sales of interests in a Regulation S Global Note by or through a Euroclear or Clearstream participant to the Depository participant will be received with value on the Depository settlement date but will be available in the relevant Euroclear or Clearstream cash account only as of the business day following settlement in the Depository.

The Depository has advised the Issuer that it will take any action permitted to be taken by a Holder of Securities (including the presentation of Securities for exchange as described above) only at the direction of one or more participants in the Depository to whose account with the Depository interests in the Securities are credited and only in respect of the portion of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities as to which the participant or participants has or have given the direction.

The Depository has advised the Issuer as follows: The Depository is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the UCC and a "Clearing Agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. The Depository was created to hold securities for its participants and facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of its participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates. Participants in the Depository include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations and may include certain other organizations. Indirect access to the Depository system is available to others such as banks, brokers, dealers, and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a participant, either directly or indirectly.

Although the Depository, Clearstream and Euroclear have agreed to the foregoing procedures to facilitate transfers of interests in Regulation S Global Notes among participants of the Depository, Clearstream and Euroclear, they are under no obligation to perform or continue to perform the procedures, and the procedures may be discontinued at any time. Neither the Co-Issuers nor the Trustee will have any responsibility for the performance by the Depository, Clearstream, or Euroclear or their

respective participants or indirect participants of their respective obligations under the rules and procedures governing their operations.

### **TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS**

Because of the following restrictions, purchasers are advised to consult legal counsel prior to making any offer, resale, pledge or transfer of the Securities. Purchasers of Notes represented by an interest in a Regulation S Global Note are advised that such interests are not transferable to U.S. Persons at any time except in accordance with the following restrictions.

Each prospective purchaser of Securities that is a U.S. Person or is purchasing the Securities in a non-Offshore Transaction (a "**U.S. Offeree**"), by accepting delivery of this Offering Memorandum, will be deemed to have represented and agreed as follows:

(1) The U.S. Offeree acknowledges that this Offering Memorandum is personal to the U.S. Offeree and does not constitute an offer to any other person or to the public generally to subscribe for or otherwise acquire the Securities other than pursuant to transactions exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act or in Offshore Transactions in accordance with Regulation S. Distribution of this Offering Memorandum to any Person other than the U.S. Offeree and those persons, if any, retained to advise the U.S. Offeree with respect thereto, and other persons that are, (a) in the case of the Notes, Qualified Institutional Buyers or non-U.S. Persons or, (b) in the case of the Preference Shares, Qualified Institutional Buyers, is unauthorized and any disclosure of any of its contents, without the prior written consent of the Co-Issuers, is prohibited.

(2) The U.S. Offeree agrees to make no photocopies of this Offering Memorandum or any documents referred to herein and, if the U.S. Offeree does not purchase the Securities or the offering is terminated, to return this Offering Memorandum and all documents referred to herein to the Initial Purchasers at 1301 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY, 10019, Attention: Credit Markets & CDOs.

Under the Indenture (with respect to the Co-Issuers) and the Preference Share Documents (with respect to the Issuer), the Co-Issuers or the Issuer will agree to comply with the requirements of Rule 144A relative to the dissemination of information to prospective purchasers in the secondary market. See "Available Information."

The Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act and, (a) in the case of the Notes, may not be offered or sold in non-Offshore Transactions or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. Persons, except to Qualified Institutional Buyers in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act who are also Qualified Purchasers and, (b) in the case of the Preference Shares, may only be offered or sold to Qualified Institutional Buyers in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act who are also Qualified Purchasers.

Any purported transfer of a Security not in accordance with this section shall be null and void and shall not be given effect for any purpose hereunder.

### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes**

Each purchaser of a beneficial interest in Notes represented by a Rule 144A Global Note will be deemed to represent and agree (on its own behalf, or if the purchaser is acquiring the Notes for any account, on behalf of each such account) (and each transferee of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A

Global Note will be required or deemed to represent and agree) as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A or Regulation S are used herein as defined therein):

(1) (A) The purchaser is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser, (B) the purchaser is purchasing the Notes for its own account or the account of another Qualified Purchaser that is also a Qualified Institutional Buyer as to which the purchaser exercises sole investment discretion, (C) the purchaser and any such account is acquiring the Notes as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (D) the purchaser and any such account was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Notes (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (E) if the purchaser is an entity that would be an investment company but for the exception provided for in Section 3(c)(1) or Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act (any such entity, an "excepted investment company") (a) all of the beneficial owners of outstanding securities (other than short-term paper) of such entity (such beneficial owners determined in accordance with Section 3(c)(1)(A) of the Investment Company Act) that acquired such securities on or before April 30, 1996 ("pre-amendment beneficial owners") and (b) all pre-amendment beneficial owners of the outstanding securities (other than short-term paper) of any excepted investment company that, directly or indirectly, owns any outstanding securities of such entity, have consented to such entity's treatment as a Qualified Purchaser in accordance with the Investment Company Act, (F) the purchaser is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (G) the purchaser is not a pension, profit-sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants or affiliates may designate the particular investment to be made, (H) the purchaser agrees that it and each such account shall not hold such Notes for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Notes or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the distributions on the Notes (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (I) the Notes purchased directly or indirectly by the purchaser or any account for which it is purchasing the Notes constitute an investment of no more than 40% of the purchaser's and each such account's assets (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (J) the purchaser and each such account is purchasing the Notes in a principal amount of not less than the minimum denomination requirement for the purchaser and each such account, (K) the purchaser will provide notice of the transfer restrictions set forth in the Indenture (including the exhibits thereto) to any transferee of its Notes and (L) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Notes to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph (1) shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(2) The purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Notes, and the purchaser, and any account for which it is acting, are each able to bear the economic risk of the purchaser's or its investment.

(3) The purchaser understands that the Notes are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Notes or any beneficial interest therein, such Notes or any beneficial interest therein may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the applicable legend in respect of such Notes set forth in (6) below and the restrictions set forth in the Indenture. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Co-Issuers, the Servicer or the Initial Purchasers as to the

availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Notes.

(4) The purchaser is not purchasing the Notes or any beneficial interest therein with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Notes involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of its entire investment in the Notes under certain circumstances. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Co-Issuers, the Notes and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Notes or any beneficial interest therein, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchasers.

(5) In connection with the purchase of Notes or any beneficial interest therein (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Servicer by any Affiliate of or account serviced by the Servicer): (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers, any Synthetic Security Counterparty, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for the purchaser, (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates other than in this Offering Memorandum and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers, any Synthetic Security Counterparty, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other person) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of the Notes or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the Indenture) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator the Initial Purchasers, any Synthetic Security Counterparty, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Notes or any beneficial interest therein reflect those in relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) if the purchaser is acting for the account of another investor, the purchaser represents that the investment on behalf of such account is based on a determination that the investment is suitable based on the risks referred to in this Offering Memorandum (including, without limitation, the "Risk Factors" and the "Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes"), given the investment objectives of the account for which the purchase is being made, and that the investment is consistent with any applicable legal requirements; (vii) the purchaser is purchasing the Notes or any beneficial interest therein with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (viii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

(6) (i) The purchaser understands that the Notes offered to Qualified Institutional Buyers in reliance on the exemption from the registration requirements under the

Securities Act provided by Rule 144A (a) will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Co-Issuers determine otherwise in accordance with applicable law, (b) will be represented by one or more Rule 144A Global Notes, and (c) may not at any time be resold, pledged or transferred to U.S. Persons that are not Qualified Institutional Buyers and Qualified Purchasers. Before any interest in a Rule 144A Global Note may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a Person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note, the transferor will be required to provide the Trustee with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "**SECURITIES ACT**"), AND THE CO-ISSUERS HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE "**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**"). THE PURCHASER HEREOF, BY PURCHASING THIS NOTE, AGREES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CO-ISSUERS THAT THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN MAY BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, ONLY (A)(1) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT SO LONG AS THIS NOTE IS ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A OR (2) TO A NON-U.S. PERSON IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION COMPLYING WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND, IN CASE OF CLAUSE (1), TO A PURCHASER THAT (W) IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WITH EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER), (X) TO THE EXTENT THE PURCHASER IS AN ENTITY THAT WOULD BE AN INVESTMENT COMPANY BUT FOR THE EXCEPTION PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 3(C)(1) OR SECTION 3(C)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT (ANY SUCH ENTITY, AN "EXCEPTED INVESTMENT COMPANY") (A) ALL OF THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS OF OUTSTANDING SECURITIES (OTHER THAN SHORT-TERM PAPER) OF SUCH ENTITY (SUCH BENEFICIAL OWNERS DETERMINED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3(C)(1)(A) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT) THAT ACQUIRED SUCH SECURITIES ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996 ("PRE-AMENDMENT BENEFICIAL OWNERS") AND (B) ALL PRE-AMENDMENT BENEFICIAL OWNERS OF THE OUTSTANDING SECURITIES (OTHER THAN SHORT-TERM PAPER) OF ANY EXCEPTED INVESTMENT COMPANY THAT, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, OWNS ANY OUTSTANDING SECURITIES OF SUCH ENTITY, HAVE CONSENTED TO SUCH ENTITY'S TREATMENT AS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT, (Y) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS, AND (Z) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE, (B) IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN U.S.\$250,000 FOR THE PURCHASER AND FOR EACH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS ACTING AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE STATES OF THE UNITED STATES. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS TRANSFEREE. EACH PURCHASER OF THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND

AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE CO-ISSUERS, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE CO-ISSUERS MAINTAIN THE RIGHT TO RESELL NOTES OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED U.S. HOLDERS (AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE INDENTURE.

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

THE PURCHASER HEREOF, BY PURCHASING THIS NOTE, AGREES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CO-ISSUERS THAT THIS NOTE AND ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT TO A PERSON THAT REPRESENTS, WARRANTS AND COVENANTS THAT EITHER (I) IT IS NOT, AND IS NOT USING THE ASSETS OF, AND THROUGHOUT THE HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF SUCH NOTES WILL NOT BECOME OR TRANSFER ITS INTEREST TO, AN "EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(3) OF THE UNITED STATES EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("**ERISA**"), THAT IS SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA, A "PLAN" DESCRIBED IN SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "**CODE**"), THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, OR AN ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE THE ASSETS OF ANY SUCH PLAN, OR A GOVERNMENTAL, FOREIGN OR CHURCH PLAN SUBJECT TO ANY FEDERAL, STATE, FOREIGN OR LOCAL LAW THAT IS SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE OR (II) ITS PURCHASE, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF THIS NOTE WILL NOT RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE (OR IN THE CASE OF ANY GOVERNMENTAL, FOREIGN OR CHURCH PLAN, ANY VIOLATION OF FEDERAL, STATE, FOREIGN OR LOCAL LAW SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE) BECAUSE SUCH PURCHASE, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF SUCH NOTE EITHER (A) IS NOT, AND WILL NOT BECOME, SUBJECT TO SUCH LAWS, OR (B) IS COVERED BY AN EXEMPTION FROM ALL APPLICABLE PROHIBITED TRANSACTIONS, ALL OF THE CONDITIONS OF WHICH ARE AND WILL BE SATISFIED UPON THE ACQUISITION OF, AND THROUGHOUT ITS HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF, THIS NOTE. ANY PURPORTED TRANSFER OF THIS NOTE THAT DOES NOT COMPLY WITH THESE REQUIREMENTS SHALL BE NULL AND VOID *AB INITIO*.

(ii) In addition, each Regulation S Global Note representing any Note will contain the following additional legend:

EACH TRANSFEREE OF THE NOTE REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL, IF REQUIRED BY THE INDENTURE, BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM



PRESCRIBED IN THE INDENTURE OR WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE.

(iii) In addition, the legend set forth on any Class C Note, Class D Note or Class E Note and on each Note in any other Class sold to the public by either of the Initial Purchasers at a discount that is more than de minimis, if any, will also contain the following additional legend:

THIS NOTE HAS BEEN ISSUED WITH ORIGINAL ISSUE DISCOUNT (**OID**) FOR UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES. THE ISSUE PRICE, AMOUNT OF OID, ISSUE DATE AND YIELD TO MATURITY OF THIS NOTE MAY BE OBTAINED BY WRITING TO CALYON, ATTN: CREDIT MARKETS & CDOS, 1301 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS, NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10019.

(7) The purchaser will provide notice to each person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Notes of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Indenture, including the exhibits referenced therein.

(8) The purchaser understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Notes or any beneficial interest therein who is a U.S. Person and who is determined not to have been both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser at the time of acquisition of the Notes or any beneficial interest therein to sell such interest, or to sell such interest on behalf of such purchaser, to a person that is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A or to a person that is a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S.

(9) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Notes, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase Notes from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell such Note to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(10) The purchaser understands that the Stated Maturity of the Notes is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

(11) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Co-Issuers that would permit a public offering of the Notes in any jurisdiction. The purchaser further acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Co-Issuers that would permit possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Notes in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the Offering Memorandum relating to the Notes shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Notes in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

(12) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Notes or any beneficial interest therein by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

(13) (a) Either (i) the purchaser is not, and is not using the assets of, and throughout the holding and disposition of the Notes will not become or transfer its interest to, an employee benefit plan or other fund or arrangement subject to Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("**ERISA**"), a plan subject to Section 4975(e) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "**Code**"), or a governmental, foreign or church plan which is subject to any federal, state, foreign or local law that is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or (ii) the purchaser's purchase, holding and disposition of such Notes will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any federal, state, foreign or local law that is substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code) because such purchase, holding and disposition of such Notes either (x) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws, or (y) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all of the conditions of which are and will be satisfied upon the acquisition of, and throughout its holding and disposition of, such Notes; (b) the purchaser shall not transfer an interest in such Notes to any transferee unless such transferee meets the foregoing requirements; and (c) the purchaser and any fiduciaries or other Person causing it to acquire such Notes agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of such purchaser not meeting the foregoing requirements or as a result of its transferring its interest to a transferee not meeting the foregoing requirements. Any purported purchase or transfer of the Notes to a purchaser or transferee that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph (13) shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(14) The purchaser understands that the Co-Issuers may receive a list of participants holding positions in its securities from one or more book-entry depositories.

(15) The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Notes or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Indenture, to which provisions the purchaser hereby agrees it is subject.

(16) The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

(17) Each purchaser and beneficial owner acknowledges that it is its intent and that it understands it is the intent of the Issuer that for accounting, financial reporting and U.S. federal and, to the extent permitted by law, state and local income and franchise tax purposes, the Issuer will be treated as a corporation, the Notes will be treated as debt of the Issuer only and not of the Co-Issuer, and the Preference Shares will be treated as equity in the Issuer; it agrees to such treatment, to report all income (or loss) in accordance with such treatment and to take no action inconsistent with such treatment unless otherwise required by any relevant taxing authority under applicable law.

(18) The beneficial owner, if it is not a "U.S. person" as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code, is not acquiring any Note or any Preference Share as part of a plan to reduce, avoid or evade U.S. federal income taxes owed, owing or potentially owed or owing.

(19) To the extent required, as determined by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Trustee, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Notes to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools

Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the U.S. Patriot Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Note to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

(20) The purchaser understands that, to the extent required, as determined by the Co-Issuers, the Co-Issuers may amend the Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer only, the Preference Share Documents, without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders of the Securities that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7 if, at any time following the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers elect to rely on exclusion from the definition of "investment company" under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7).

(21) The purchaser understands that the Issuer may enter into amendments or modifications to the Servicing Agreement without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities.

(22) The purchaser agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

(23) The purchaser acknowledges that the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Notes or any beneficial interest therein are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Trustee and the Initial Purchasers. If the purchaser is acquiring any Notes or any beneficial interest therein as a fiduciary or agent for one or more institutional accounts, it represents that it has sole investment discretion with respect to each such account and it has full power to make the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements on behalf of such account.

#### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Regulation S Global Notes**

Each purchaser of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note will be further deemed (and each transferee of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note will be required or deemed), in addition to making the representations set forth in paragraphs (3), (4), (5) and (7) through (22) above in "—Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes," to represent and agree as follows:

The purchaser is aware that the Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or any other applicable state securities law and the sale of such Notes or any beneficial interest therein to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Regulation S and understands that the Notes offered in reliance on Regulation S will bear the appropriate legend set forth in paragraph (6) above in "—Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes" and will be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Notes. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchasers as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any other jurisdiction for resale of the Notes. The purchaser and each beneficial owner of the Notes or any beneficial interest therein that it holds is not, and will not be, a U.S. Person as defined in Regulation S and its purchase of the Notes or any beneficial interest therein will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located

and will be in a principal amount of not less than U.S.\$250,000. The purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Notes or any beneficial interest therein, and it, and any accounts for which it is acting are each able to bear the economic risk of its investment. Before any interest in a Regulation S Global Note may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note, the transferor and the transferee will be required to provide the Trustee with written certifications as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Preference Shares**

Each initial purchaser of Preference Shares acquiring such Preference Shares from the Issuer in the initial offering will be deemed to represent and agree and will be required to enter into a Subscription Agreement with the Issuer pursuant to which each such initial purchaser will be required to represent and agree (and each subsequent transferee will be required to represent and agree), on its own behalf as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A are used herein as defined therein):

(1) The purchaser is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is aware that the sale of Preference Shares to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements provided by Section 4(2) and is acquiring the Preference Shares for its own account (and not for the account of any family or other trust, any family member or any other person). In addition, the purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Preference Shares, and the purchaser is able to bear the economic risk of its investment.

(2) The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Preference Shares have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Preference Shares, such Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the legend in respect of such Preference Shares set forth in (7) below and the restrictions set forth in the Preference Share Documents. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Issuer, the Servicer or the Initial Purchasers or any of their respective Affiliates as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Preference Shares.

(3) The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Preference Shares or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Preference Share Documents, to which provisions the purchaser agrees it is subject.

(4) The purchaser is not purchasing the Preference Shares with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares will be highly illiquid and are not suitable for short-term trading. The Preference Shares are a leveraged investment in the Collateral Obligations that may expose the Preference Shares to disproportionately large changes in value. Payments in respect of the Preference Shares are not guaranteed as they are dependent on the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations. The purchaser understands that it is possible that, due to the structure of the transaction and the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations, dividends or other distributions in respect of the Preference Shares may be reduced

or eliminated entirely. Furthermore, the Preference Shares constitute equity in the Issuer, are not secured by the Collateral and will rank behind all creditors (secured and unsecured and whether known or unknown) of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the Holders of the Notes, any Synthetic Security Counterparty and any Hedge Counterparties. The Issuer has assets limited to the Collateral for payment of all Classes of the Notes and dividends and other distributions on the Preference Shares, and the Preference Shares bear, *pro rata*, the first risk of loss. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Preference Shares involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of all or a substantial part of its investment. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Issuer, the Preference Shares and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Preference Shares, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Issuer and the Initial Purchasers.

(5) In connection with the purchase of Preference Shares (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Servicer by any Affiliate of or account serviced by the Servicer): (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers, any Synthetic Security Counterparty, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for the purchaser; (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers, any Synthetic Security Counterparty, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates other than in the Offering Memorandum for such Preference Shares and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers, any Synthetic Security Counterparty, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other Person or documentation for the Preference Shares) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of the Preference Shares or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the documentation for the Preference Shares) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers, any Synthetic Security Counterparty, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Preference Shares reflect those in relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) the purchaser is purchasing the Preference Shares with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (vii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

(6) (A) The purchaser is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (b) a Qualified Purchaser, (B) the purchaser is acquiring the Preference Shares as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (C) the purchaser was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Preference Shares (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser is a Qualified Purchaser), (D) if the purchaser is an entity that would be an investment company but for the exception provided for in Section 3(c)(1) or

Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act (any such entity, an "excepted investment company") (a) all of the beneficial owners of outstanding securities (other than short-term paper) of such entity (such beneficial owners determined in accordance with Section 3(c)(1)(A) of the Investment Company Act) that acquired such securities on or before April 30, 1996 ("pre-amendment beneficial owners") and (b) all pre-amendment beneficial owners of the outstanding securities (other than short-term paper) of any excepted investment company that, directly or indirectly, owns any outstanding securities of such entity, have consented to such entity's treatment as a Qualified Purchaser in accordance with the Investment Company Act, (E) the purchaser is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (F) the purchaser is not a pension, profit-sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants or affiliates may designate the particular investment to be made, (G) the purchaser agrees that it shall not hold such Preference Shares for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Preference Shares or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or other distributions on the Preference Shares (except when each such other Person is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (b) a Qualified Purchaser) and (H) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Preference Shares to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(7) The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares (A) will be represented by either one or more Preference Share certificates which will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Issuer determines otherwise in accordance with applicable law, and (B) may only be resold, pledged or transferred to Qualified Institutional Buyers who are also Qualified Purchasers. The purchaser understands that before the Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred, the transferee will be required to provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Issuer with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "**SECURITIES ACT**"), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE "**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**"). THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER ("**QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER**") WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT (IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE PREFERENCE SHARES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A) WHO IS ALSO A QUALIFIED PURCHASER ("**QUALIFIED PURCHASER**") WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER) AND THAT (1) IF SUCH PERSON IS AN ENTITY THAT WOULD BE AN INVESTMENT COMPANY BUT FOR THE EXCEPTION PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 3(C)(1) OR SECTION 3(C)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT (ANY SUCH ENTITY, AN "EXCEPTED INVESTMENT COMPANY") HAS RECEIVED CONSENT TO SUCH ENTITY'S TREATMENT AS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT FROM (A) ALL OF THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS OF OUTSTANDING SECURITIES (OTHER THAN SHORT-TERM PAPER)

OF SUCH ENTITY (SUCH BENEFICIAL OWNERS DETERMINED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3(C)(1)(A) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT) THAT ACQUIRED SUCH SECURITIES ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996 ("PRE-AMENDMENT BENEFICIAL OWNERS") AND (B) ALL PRE-AMENDMENT BENEFICIAL OWNERS OF THE OUTSTANDING SECURITIES (OTHER THAN SHORT-TERM PAPER) OF ANY EXCEPTED INVESTMENT COMPANY THAT, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, OWNS ANY OUTSTANDING SECURITIES OF SUCH ENTITY, (2) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS AND (3) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE, (B) IN EACH CASE, IN A NUMBER OF NOT LESS THAN 250 PREFERENCE SHARES FOR THE PURCHASER AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY BE PURCHASED BY OR TRANSFERRED TO A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR CONTROLLING PERSON (EACH AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) ONLY UPON THE SATISFACTION OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID *AB INITIO*, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL ANY PREFERENCE SHARES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS OR NON-PERMITTED BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS (AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY NOT BE ACQUIRED OR HELD BY (I) ANY "EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(3) OF THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("**ERISA**"), THAT IS SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA, (II) ANY "PLAN" DESCRIBED BY SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE"), THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, OR (III) ANY ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE "PLAN ASSETS" OF ANY PLAN DESCRIBED IN (I) OR (II) BY REASON OF A PLAN'S INVESTMENT IN SUCH ENTITY (EACH OF (I), (II) AND (III), A "BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR"), EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

(8) The purchaser will provide notice to each Person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Preference Shares of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Preference Share Documents, including the exhibits referenced in the Preference Share Documents.

(9) The purchaser understands that the Preference Share Documents permit the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Preference Shares who is determined not to have been (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, at the time of acquisition of the Preference Shares to sell such Preference Shares, or to sell such Preference Shares on behalf of such purchaser, to a Person that is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act.

(10) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Preference Shares. The purchaser further acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Securities in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the Offering Memorandum relating to the Preference Shares shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Preference Shares in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

(11) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Preference Shares, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase Preference Shares from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell such Preference Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(12) The purchaser understands that the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

(13) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Preference Shares by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

(14) Each purchaser and beneficial owner acknowledges that it is its intent and that it understands it is the intent of the Issuer that for accounting, financial reporting and U.S. federal and, to the extent permitted by law, state and local income and franchise tax purposes, the Issuer will be treated as a corporation, the Notes will be treated as debt of the Issuer only and not of the Co-Issuer, and the Preference Shares will be treated as equity in the Issuer; it agrees to such treatment, to report all income (or loss) in accordance with such treatment and to take no action inconsistent with such treatment unless otherwise required by any relevant taxing authority under applicable law.

(15) The beneficial owner, if it is not a "U.S. person" as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code, is not acquiring any Note or any Preference Share as part of a plan to reduce, avoid or evade U.S. federal income taxes owed, owing or potentially owed or owing.

(16) To the extent required, as determined by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share



Registrar, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Preference Shares to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the U.S. Patriot Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Preference Share to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

(17) The purchaser agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

(18) The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

(19) The purchaser understands that, prior to any sale or other transfer of any interest in Preference Shares, it (or the transferee, as applicable) will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent a duly executed transfer certificate substantially in the form provided in the Preference Share Documents and such other certificates and other information as they may reasonably require to confirm that the proposed transfer complies with the restrictions in the legend placed on each certificate representing the Preference Shares and in the Preference Share Documents.

(20) The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer has the right pursuant to Section 6 of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement to issue additional Preference Shares.

(21) The purchaser understands that, to the extent required, as determined by the Co-Issuers, the Co-Issuers may amend the Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer only, the Preference Share Documents without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders of the Securities that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7 if, at any time following the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers elect to rely on exclusion from the definition of "investment company" under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7).

(22) The purchaser understands that the Issuer may enter into amendments or modifications to the Servicing Agreement without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities.

(23) The purchaser understands and agrees that no purchase or transfer of the Preference Shares to (i) a purchaser or transferee that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor (as defined in Section 3(42) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("**ERISA**")), or a Controlling Person (as defined under the Indenture) will be effective, and the Issuer or the Share Registrar will not recognize or register such purchase or transfer, if such purchase or transfer would result in Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares (determined pursuant to Section 3(42) of ERISA, 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents) or (ii) will be permitted if such purchase or transfer will result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "**Code**") (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law). In this regard, 100% of Preference Shares held by an entity that is a Benefit Plan Investor (including an

insurance company whose general account assets are treated as "plan assets") will be treated as Preference Shares held by a Benefit Plan Investor. The purchaser or transferee further understands and agrees that any transfer in violation of the applicable provisions of the Preference Share Documents will be null and void *ab initio*. For purposes of the determination described in the first sentence of this paragraph (23), the Preference Shares held by the Trustee, the Servicer, any of their respective affiliates (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) and any other persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding unless such person is also a Benefit Plan Investor. The purchaser's acquisition, holding and disposition of the Preference Shares will not result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any violation of substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law), because such purchase, holding and disposition either (a) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (b) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all conditions of which are and will be been satisfied throughout its holding and disposition of such Preference Shares. The purchaser and any fiduciary or Person causing it to acquire the Preference Shares agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage, or loss incurred by them as a result of a breach of the representations set forth in this paragraph (23) and paragraph (24).

(24) (a) The funds that the purchaser is using or will use to purchase the Preference Shares are \_\_\_ / are not \_\_\_ (check one) assets of a person who is or at any time while the Preference Shares are held by the purchaser will be (A) an "employee benefit plan" as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA, that is subject to Title I of ERISA, (B) a "plan" described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code or (C) an entity whose underlying assets include "plan assets" of either of the foregoing by reason of the investment by an employee benefit plan or other plan in the entity within the meaning of the Plan Asset Regulation, as modified by Section 3(42) of ERISA.

(b) The purchaser is \_\_\_ / is not \_\_\_ (check one) the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or any other person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer, or any "affiliate" (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) of any such person.

(25) The purchaser is \_\_\_ / is not \_\_\_ (check one) Highland Financial Partners, L.P. or any of its subsidiaries.

(26) The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Preference Shares are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee and the Initial Purchasers.

## **LISTING AND GENERAL INFORMATION**

1. The Issuer and the Co-Issuer accept responsibility for the information contained in this document. To the best knowledge and belief of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, the information contained in this document is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

2. Application has been made to list the Notes on the Irish Stock Exchange by the Issuer, through the Listing Agent, Arthur Cox Listing Services Limited ("**ACLSL**"). ACLSL is not seeking admission to listing on the ISE for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive. However, there can be no assurance that any admission will be granted or maintained. Prior to the listing, a legal notice relating to the issue of the Notes and copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Formation and the Limited Liability Company Agreement of the Co-Issuer will be deposited with Maples Finance Dublin and at the principal office of the Issuer, where copies thereof may be obtained, free of charge, upon request.

3. As long as any of the Notes are Outstanding and listed on the ISE, copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Formation, the Articles of Association and the Memorandum of Understanding of the Co-Issuer, the Administration Agreement, the Resolutions, the resolutions of the Independent Manager of the Co-Issuer authorizing the issuance of the Notes, the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, any Hedge Agreement and the Monthly Report will be available for inspection at the offices of the Co-Issuers, where copies thereof may be obtained upon request in printed form. The Issuer is not required by Cayman Islands law and the Issuer does not intend, to publish annual reports and accounts. The Co-Issuer is not required by Delaware state law, and the Co-Issuer does not intend, to publish annual reports and accounts.

4. Copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Formation, the Articles of Association and the Limited Liability Company Agreement of the Co-Issuer, the Administration Agreement, the Resolutions, the resolutions of the Independent Manager of the Co-Issuer authorizing the issuance of the Notes, the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, any Hedge Agreement and the Monthly Report prepared by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer containing information relating to the Collateral will be available for inspection so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding at the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee.

6. Each of the Co-Issuers represents that as of the date of this Offering Memorandum, there has been no material adverse change in its financial position since its date of incorporation. Since its date of incorporation, neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has commenced operations, other than the Issuer purchasing certain Collateral Obligations and selling participation interests therein pursuant to a master participation agreement preparatory to the offering of the Securities, and no annual reports or accounts have been prepared as of the date of this Offering Memorandum.

7. The Co-Issuers are not involved in any legal and governmental or arbitration proceedings (including any such proceedings which are pending or threatened of which the Co-Issuers are aware) which may have or have had within the last twelve (12) months a significant effect on the financial position of the Co-Issuers.

8. The issuance of the Securities was authorized and approved by the Board of Directors of the Issuer by the Resolutions. The issuance of the Notes was authorized and approved by the Independent Manager of the Co-Issuer by resolutions passed on or before the Closing Date.

It is expected that the total expenses relating to the application for admission of the Notes to the Official List of the Irish Stock Exchange and to trade on its regulated market will be approximately €19,690.

9. Since the date of their incorporation, no financial statements of the Co-Issuers have been prepared. The Issuer is not required by Cayman Islands law to publish financial statements, and does not intend to publish any financial statements. The Issuer is required to provide written confirmation to the Trustee, on an annual basis, that no Event of Default or other matter that is required to be brought to the Trustee's attention has occurred.

10. The language of this Offering Memorandum is English. Certain legislative references and technical terms have been cited in their original language in order that the correct technical meaning may be ascribed to them under applicable law.

### IDENTIFYING NUMBERS

The Notes sold in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S and represented by Regulation S Global Notes have been accepted for clearance under the Common Codes in the table below. The table also lists the CUSIP Numbers and the International Securities Identification Numbers (ISIN).

Security	CUSIP	Common Code	ISIN
<b>Class A-1 Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	86280A AA5		US86280AAA51
Regulation S Global Notes	G8533F AA6	31920396	USG8533FAA69
<b>Class A-2 Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	86280A AC1		US86280AAC18
Regulation S Global Notes	G8533F AC2	31920558	USG8533FAC26
<b>Class B Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	86280A AD9		US86280AAD90
Regulation S Global Notes	G8533F AD0	31920639	USG8533FAD09
<b>Class C Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	86280A AE7		US86280AAE73
Regulation S Global Notes	G8533F AE8	31920655	USG8533FAE81
<b>Class D Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	86280A AF4		US86280AAF49
Regulation S Global Notes	G8533F AF5	31920663	USG8533FAF56
<b>Class E Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Class E Notes	86280A AG2		US86280AAG22
Regulation S Global Notes	G8533F AG3	31920680	USG8533FAG30
<b>Class I Preference Shares</b>			
Certificated Preference Shares	86280C 202		US86280C2026
<b>Class II Preference Shares</b>			
Certificated Preference Shares	86280C 301		US86280C3016

### LEGAL MATTERS

Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchasers by Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP, New York, New York. Certain matters with respect to Cayman Islands corporate law and tax law will be passed upon for the Issuer by Maples and Calder, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Servicer by Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, Los Angeles, California.

## GLOSSARY OF DEFINED TERMS

**"Accrued Interest On Sale"** means interest accrued on a Collateral Obligation at the time of sale or other disposition to the extent paid to the Issuer as part of the sale or other disposition price of the Collateral Obligation after deduction of any amount representing Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal"** means (i) interest accrued on or purchased with a Collateral Obligation as part of the price paid by the Issuer to acquire the Collateral Obligation less any amount of Interest Proceeds (applied as Interest Proceeds) applied by the Issuer to acquire the accrued interest at the time of purchase and (ii) interest accrued on a Loan that constitutes part of the price paid by the Issuer to repay loans made by the Pre-Closing Participant to finance the Issuer's pre-closing acquisition of such Loan.

**"Act"** means any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action to be given or taken by Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares under the Indenture embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments (which may be an electronic document, including, but not limited to, in the form of e-mail, to the extent permitted by applicable law) of substantially similar tenor signed by Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares in person or by agents duly appointed in writing (*provided* that no signature shall be required on electronic documents, including, but not limited to, in the form of e-mail to the extent permitted by law). Except as otherwise expressly provided in the Indenture the action shall become effective when the instruments are delivered to the Trustee (which instrument or instruments may be delivered through the Preference Shares Paying Agent, in the case of the Holders of the Preference Shares) and, if expressly required, to the Issuer. The instruments (and the action embodied in them) are referred to as the **"Act"** of the Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares signing the instruments.

**"Administrative Expense Cap"** means, an amount on any Payment Date equal to the excess of:

(i) the sum of 0.04% of the Maximum Amount on the related Determination Date *plus* \$150,000; *over*

(ii) the sum of the amounts paid for Administrative Expenses in the twelve months preceding the current Payment Date.

**"Administrative Expenses"** means amounts due or accrued representing:

(i) tax preparation, filing, and registration fees or expenses and any other filing and registration fees owed by the Co-Issuers (including all filing, registration and annual return fees payable to the Cayman Islands government and registered office fees);

(ii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Trustee (including all amounts under Section 6.8 of the Indenture), the Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Collateral Administrator;

(iii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Co-Issuers and of accountants, agents and counsel for either of the Co-Issuers;

(iv) fees and expenses of the Rating Agencies in connection with any rating of the Collateral (requested by the Issuer or the Servicer) or the Notes owed by either Co-Issuer (including fees and expenses for ongoing surveillance, credit estimates and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies);

(v) expenses and indemnities (but not Servicing Fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;

(vi) fees, indemnities and expenses for third-party loan pricing services and accountants; and

(vii) amounts due (including indemnities) to any other Person (except the Servicing Fees) if specifically provided for in the Indenture, including fees or expenses in connection with any Securities Lending Agreement.

**"Affected Class":** Any Class of Notes that, as a result of the occurrence of a Tax Event, has received or will receive less than the aggregate amount of principal and interest that would otherwise have been payable to such Class on the Payment Date related to the Due Period with respect to which such Tax Event occurs.

**"Affiliate" or "Affiliated"** means with respect to a Person,

(i) any other Person who, directly or indirectly, is in control of, or controlled by, or is under common control with, the Person; or

(ii) any other Person who is a director, officer or employee (A) of the Person, (B) of any subsidiary or parent company of the Person or (C) of any Person described in clause (i) above.

For the purposes of this definition, control of a Person shall mean the power, direct or indirect:

(A) to vote more than 50% of the securities having ordinary voting power for the election of directors of the Person; or

(B) to direct the corporate management and corporate policies of the Person whether by contract or otherwise (this does not include the Servicing Agreement unless it is amended expressly to provide those services).

For the purpose of this definition, the Administrator and its Affiliates are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Co-Issuers and the Co-Issuers are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Administrator, or any of their Affiliates.

**"Aggregate Outstanding Amount"** means, when used with respect to any of the Notes as of any date, the aggregate outstanding principal amount of such Notes on that date. When used with respect to the Preference Shares as of any date, means the number of such Preference Shares Outstanding on such date.

Except as otherwise provided herein:

(i) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1 Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-2 Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(iii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(iv) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes at any time shall include all Class C Deferred Interest attributed thereto;

(v) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes at any time shall include all Class D Deferred Interest attributed thereto; and

(vi) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class E Notes at any time shall include all Class E Deferred Interest attributed thereto.

**"Aggregate Principal Balance"** means, when used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Principal Balances of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Principal Balance means the sum of the Principal Balances of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**"Aggregate Purchase Price Amount"** means, when used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Purchase Price Amount means the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**"Allocable Principal Balance"** means, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, the portion of the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security that is allocable to each Reference Obligation comprising such index or indices based upon allocating the Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security among such Reference Obligations in the same proportion as each Reference Obligation bears to the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security.

**"Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price"** means, the purchase price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Securities purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, *plus* accrued and unpaid interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest, if any) as of the date of purchase payable to the Non-Consenting Holder (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), *plus* any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment, and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since the Closing Date (and any amounts payable, if any, to the Non-Consenting Holder on the next succeeding Payment Date) would cause such Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); *provided, however*, that in any Amendment Buy-Out from and after the date on which the Non-Consenting Holders of Preference Shares have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price for such Preference Shares shall be zero.

**"Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser"** means the Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Securities from Holders pursuant to "Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out," "Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchasers or any



of their Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; *provided, however*, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

**"Applicable Note Interest Rate"** means, with respect to the Notes of any Class, the Note Interest Rate with respect to such Class.

**"Applicable Percentage"** means the lesser of the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation and the S&P Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation and the current S&P Rating of the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes.

**"Approved Pricing Service"** means Loan Pricing Corporation, Mark-It-Partners, Inc. or any other nationally recognized loan pricing service approved in writing by S&P.

**"Assigned Moody's Rating"** means the monitored publicly available rating or the monitored estimated rating expressly assigned to a debt obligation (or facility) by Moody's that addresses the full amount of the principal and interest promised.

**"Authorized Officer"** means, with respect to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any Officer or agent who is authorized to act for the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in matters relating to, and binding on, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. With respect to the Servicer, any managing member, Officer, manager, employee, partner or agent of the Servicer who is authorized to act for the Servicer in matters relating to, and binding on, the Servicer with respect to the subject matter of the request, certificate or order in question. With respect to the Trustee or any other bank or trust company acting as trustee of an express trust or as custodian, a Trust Officer. Each party may receive and accept a certification of the authority of any other party as conclusive evidence of the authority of any Person to act, and the certification may be considered as in full force and effect until receipt by the other party of written notice to the contrary.

**"Average Life"** means, as of any Measurement Date with respect to any Collateral Obligation (other than any Defaulted Collateral Obligation), the quotient obtained by dividing:

(i) the sum of the products of:

(A) the number of years (rounded to the nearest hundredth) from the Measurement Date to the respective dates of each successive scheduled payment of principal of the Collateral Obligation; and

(B) the respective amounts of the successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation; by

(ii) the sum of all successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Bank"** means State Street Bank and Trust Company in its individual capacity and not as Trustee.

**"Bankruptcy Code"** means the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, Title 11 of the United States Code.

**"Bankruptcy Law"** means the Bankruptcy Code, Part V of the Companies Law (2007 Revision) of the Cayman Islands and the Bankruptcy Law (1997 Revision) of the Cayman Islands.

**"Board of Directors"** means with respect to the Issuer, the directors of the Issuer duly appointed by a resolution of the holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares or by resolution of the Board of Directors and,

with respect to the Co-Issuer, the directors of the Co-Issuer duly appointed by the stockholders of the Co-Issuer; *provided, however*, that notwithstanding the foregoing, if the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding is greater than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may remove any or all (but so long as such directors are all associated with Maples Finance Limited, not less than all) of the directors of the Issuer and appoint other directors (who may be employees, officers or designees of the Servicer) and thereafter (so long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding is greater than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding) the power to appoint directors of the Issuer shall be exercised by a vote of the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares instead of by resolution of the holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares.

**"Bridge Loan"** means any Loan that is incurred in connection with a merger, acquisition, consolidation, sale of all or substantially all of the assets of an entity, restructuring or similar transaction, which debt obligation by its terms is required to be repaid within one year of the incurrence thereof with proceeds from additional borrowings or other refinancings (other than any additional borrowing or refinancing if one or more financial institutions will have provided the issuer of or obligor on such debt obligation with a binding written commitment to provide the same).

**"Business Day"** means a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in New York City, and any other city in which the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee is located and, in the case of the final payment of principal of any Note, the place of presentation of the Note designated by the Trustee; *provided, however* that, for purposes of determining LIBOR, "Business Day" must also be a day on which dealings in deposits in Dollars are transacted in the London interbank market. To the extent action is required of the Irish Listing Agent and Irish Paying Agent, Dublin, Ireland shall be considered in determining "Business Day" for purposes of determining when actions by the Irish Paying Agent are required.

**"Caa1 Collateral Obligations"** means the Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have a Moody's Rating below "B3."

**"Cash"** means such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for payment of all public and private debts.

**"CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations"** means the Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have (i) a Moody's Rating below "B3" and/or (ii) an S&P Rating below "B-."

**"CCC+/Caa1 Excess Market Value Percentage"** means the percentage equivalent of a fraction, the numerator of which is the aggregate Market Value of CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations (in order of ascending Market Value Percentage, starting with the CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation with the lowest Market Value Percentage) with an aggregate Principal Balance equal to Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations and the denominator of which is an amount equal to the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations.

**"Class"** means each of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes, the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares.

**"Class A Overcollateralization Ratio"** is the ratio calculated by *dividing*:

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator; *by*
- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes.

**"Class A S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test"**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate with respect to the Class A Notes is greater than or equal to S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate with respect to the Class A Notes.

**"Class A/B Coverage Tests"** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes and Class B Notes.

**"Class B S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test"**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate with respect to the Class B Notes is greater than or equal to S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate with respect to the Class B Notes.

**"Class C Coverage Tests"** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class C Notes.

**"Class C Deferred Interest"** means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C Notes.

**"Class C S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test"**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate with respect to the Class C Notes is greater than or equal to S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate with respect to the Class C Notes.

**"Class D Coverage Tests"** means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class D Notes.

**"Class D Deferred Interest"** means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class D Notes.

**"Class D S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test"**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate with respect to the Class D Notes is greater than or equal to S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate with respect to the Class D Notes.

**"Class E Coverage Test"** means the Overcollateralization Test as applied with respect to the Class E Notes.

**"Class E Deferred Interest"** means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class E Notes.

**"Class Scenario Loss Rate"** means, with respect to any Class of Notes rated by S&P, an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, consistent with S&P's rating of the Class of Notes on the Closing Date, determined by application of the S&P CDO Monitor.

**"Class E S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test"**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate with respect to the Class E Notes is

greater than or equal to S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate with respect to the Class E Notes.

**"Clearstream"** means Clearstream Banking, société anonyme, a corporation organized under the laws of the Duchy of Luxembourg.

**"Collateral Administration Agreement"** means the agreement to be dated as of the Closing Date among the Issuer, the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Collateral Administrator"** means the Bank in its capacity as collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement.

**"Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares"** means, with respect to any Payment Date, a Holder of Preference Shares that has consented by delivering an irrevocable written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent to a distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds on such Payment Date, as described in "Description of the Securities—Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement."

**"Controlling Class"** means the Class A-1 Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class A-1 Notes are Outstanding; then the Class A-2 Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class A-2 Notes are Outstanding; then the Class B Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class B Notes are Outstanding; then the Class C Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class C Notes are Outstanding; then the Class D Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class D Notes are Outstanding; and then the Class E Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class E Notes are Outstanding.

**"Corporate Trust Office"** means the corporate trust office of the Trustee at which the Trustee performs its duties under the Indenture, currently having an address of 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code: EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116, telecopy no. (617) 351-4358, Attention: CDO Services Group, or any other address the Trustee designates from time to time by notice to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Issuer and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Trustee.

**"Cov-lite loan"** means a Loan that (i) does not contain any financial covenants or (ii) requires the borrower to comply with an Incurrence Covenant, but not with a Maintenance Covenant

**"Credit Improved Obligation"** is any Collateral Obligation that (a) is sold pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange or (b) in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has improved in credit quality; *provided* that, in forming such judgment, a reduction in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment; and *provided, further*, that, if a Credit Rating Event is in effect, such Collateral Obligation will be considered a Credit Improved Obligation only if in addition to the above:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been upgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing positive credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under the Indenture;

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced a reduction in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral

Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Servicer (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's);

(iii) (x) in the case of a Floating Rate Obligation, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has increased by at least 1.00% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Servicer (*provided* that this subclause (iii)(x) will be deemed satisfied if Market Value increases to 1.01%), or (y) in the case of a Fixed Rate Obligation, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more positive than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, *plus* 3.00%, over the same period; or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Improved Obligation if:

- (i) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Improved Obligation; or
- (ii) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Improved Obligation.

**"Credit Rating Event"** means an event that is in effect if the rating by Moody's:

- (i) of the Class A-1 Notes or the Class A-2 Notes has been withdrawn or is one or more rating sub-categories below its Initial Rating; or
- (ii) of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes has been withdrawn or is two or more rating sub-categories below its respective Initial Rating.

For the purposes of this definition, any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not be effective if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody's has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes, or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**"Credit Risk Obligation"** means any Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has significantly declined in credit quality and has a significant risk, with a lapse of time, of becoming a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; *provided* that in forming such judgment an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment.

So long as a Credit Rating Event is in effect, no Collateral Obligation shall be eligible to be a Credit Risk Obligation unless in addition to the above, as of the date of determination:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been downgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing negative credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under the Indenture;

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced an increase in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) less than or equal to 2.00% (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Servicer (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's);

(iii) (x) in the case of a Floating Rate Obligation, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has decreased by at least 2.50% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Servicer, and (y) in the case of a Fixed Rate Obligation, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more negative, or less positive, as the case may be, than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, less 3.00%, over the same period; or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation set forth in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) above, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Risk Obligation if:

(a) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Risk Obligation; or

(b) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Risk Obligation.

**"Current-Pay Obligation"** means a Collateral Obligation as to which:

(i) an insolvency event has occurred with respect to its obligor or as to which its obligor is rated "D" or "SD" by S&P or its obligor has previously been rated "CCC-" by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;

(ii) no default as to the payment of principal or interest with respect to the Collateral Obligation is then continuing and the Servicer has delivered to the Trustee an officer's certificate to the effect that the Servicer expects that the obligor will make payments on the Collateral Obligation as they become due;

(iii) (A) the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is at least "Caa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation has been withdrawn but was at least "Caa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) immediately prior to the withdrawal and the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 80% of its Principal Balance, (B) the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is "Caa1" (and on credit watch with negative implications) or "Caa2" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) and the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 85% of its Principal Balance or (C) the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is less than "Caa2" but at least "Caa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) and the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 90% of its Principal Balance;

(iv) if an insolvency event has occurred with respect to the obligor of the Collateral Obligation, a bankruptcy court has authorized all payments of principal and interest payable on the Collateral Obligation; and

(v) the Servicer has designated in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligation as a Current-Pay Obligation.

If the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations exceeds 5% of the Maximum Amount, all or a portion of one or more Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance equal to the amount of the excess shall not be Current-Pay Obligations (and will therefore be Defaulted Collateral Obligations). The Servicer shall designate in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligations that shall not be Current-Pay Obligations pursuant to the preceding sentence as the Collateral Obligations (or portions thereof) that have the lowest Market Value on any applicable date of determination.

The Servicer may, with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, by notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator, change the definition of "Current-Pay Obligation" or how Current-Pay Obligations are treated in the Indenture, subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency.

**"Current Portfolio"** means, at any time, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations, Principal Proceeds held as cash on deposit in the Collection Account, and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account that exists before the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or before the acquisition of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**"Deep Discount Obligation"** means, until the average Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation, as determined daily for any period of 30 consecutive days, equals or exceeds 90%, any Collateral Obligation acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 85% of its Principal Balance. For such purpose, the Market Value Percentage of a Collateral Obligation on a day that is not a Business Day shall be deemed to be the Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation on the immediately preceding Business Day.

**"Defaulted Collateral Obligation"** means any Collateral Obligation or other obligation included in the Collateral:

(i) as to which a default in the payment of principal or interest is continuing beyond the lesser of three Business Days and any applicable grace or notice period, unless in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid and has paid in full any accrued interest

due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;

(ii) the maturity of all or a portion of the principal amount of such Collateral Obligation has been accelerated as a consequence of a default (other than any payment default) under the instruments evidencing or relating to such Collateral Obligation; unless such default or event of default has been fully cured or waived and is no longer continuing and such acceleration has been rescinded;

(iii) with respect to which there has been effected any distressed exchange or other debt restructuring where the obligor has offered the holders thereof a new security or instrument or package of securities or instruments that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, either (x) amounts to a diminished financial obligation or (y) has the sole purpose of enabling the obligor to avoid a default;

(iv) (1) that is *pari passu* with or subordinated to other indebtedness for borrowed money owing by its obligor ("**Other Indebtedness**") and (2) the obligor has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (without regard to any applicable grace or notice period and without regard to any waiver of the default) on the Other Indebtedness, unless, in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid on the Other Indebtedness and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral;

(v) (other than a Current-Pay Obligation or a DIP Loan) as to which:

- (A) an insolvency event has occurred with respect to its obligor;
- (B) the obligation is rated "D", "SD", "C" or "CC" by S&P or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn, or has previously been rated "CCC-" or lower by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn; or
- (C) the obligation is rated "D" or "LD" by Moody's or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn.

(vi) if the Collateral Obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation, it is rated "CC" or below by S&P, or it was rated "CC" or below by S&P but the rating has since been withdrawn, or it is rated "Ca" or below by Moody's, or it was rated "C" or below by Moody's but the rating has since been withdrawn;

(vii) that is a Participation that would, if the underlying Loan were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (v) above or with respect to which the Participating Institution has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Participation;

(viii) that is a Synthetic Security referencing a Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above or with respect to which the Synthetic Security Counterparty has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Synthetic Security; *provided, however*, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a



diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time: (x) a determination whether the Reference Obligations upon which such Synthetic Security is based would, if such Reference Obligations were Collateral Obligations, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each of the Reference Obligations on which such Synthetic Security is based in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation and (y) the "Defaulted Collateral Obligation" for purposes of this clause (viii) shall be limited to the Allocable Principal Balance of each Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above;

(ix) that is a Written-Down Obligation;

(x) that is a DIP Loan as to which an order has been entered converting the debtor's chapter 11 case to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code; or

(xi) that is declared to be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation by the Servicer.

Any Collateral Obligation that is classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall cease to be so classified if the Collateral Obligation, at any date thereafter,

(1) would not otherwise be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this definition; and

(2) otherwise meets the Eligibility Criteria as of that date.

If any portion of a Collateral Obligation has a maturity later than one year after the Stated Maturity of the Notes due to a change in the payment schedule of the Collateral Obligation occurring after its acquisition by the Issuer, that portion of the Collateral Obligation shall be considered a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**"Defaulted Hedge Termination Payment"** means any termination payment required to be made by the Issuer to a Hedge Counterparty pursuant to a Hedge Agreement upon a termination of the Hedge Agreement in respect of which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**"Defaulted Interest"** means any interest payable in respect of any Class of Notes that is not punctually paid or duly provided for on the applicable Payment Date or at Stated Maturity.

**"Defaulted Interest Charge"** means to the extent lawful, interest on any Defaulted Interest at the Default Interest Rate.

**"Defaulted Synthetic Termination Payment"** means, with respect to any Synthetic Security, any termination payment (and any accrued interest thereon) payable by the Issuer pursuant to the Underlying Instruments relating thereto as a result of an "Event of Default" or "Termination Event" (other than an "Illegality" or "Tax Event") as to which the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty is the "Defaulting Party" or the sole "Affected Party" (each as defined in such Underlying Instruments). For the avoidance of doubt, any unpaid amounts owed to such Synthetic Security Counterparty independent of any such termination payment shall be deemed not to be part of the Defaulted Synthetic Termination Payment

**"Default Interest Rate"** means, with respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate equal to the Note Interest Rate payable on the Notes of the Class.

**"Deferred Interest Notes"** means the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**"Deferred Interest PIK Security"** means a PIK Security (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) (or any Synthetic Security the Reference Obligation of which is a PIK Security) with respect to which payment of interest either in whole or in part has been deferred or capitalized in an amount equal to the amount of interest payable in respect of the lesser of (a) two payment periods and (b) a period of one years, but only until such time as payment of interest on such PIK Security (or any Synthetic Security the Reference Obligation of which is a PIK Security) has resumed and all capitalized and deferred interest has been paid in accordance with the terms of the Underlying Instruments.

**"Definitive Security"** means any Note or Certificated Preference Share that is registered in the name of the beneficial owner.

**"Delayed Drawdown Loan"** means a Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that:

- (i) requires the Issuer to make one or more future advances to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments;
- (ii) specifies a maximum amount that can be borrowed on one or more fixed borrowing dates; and
- (iii) does not permit the re-borrowing of any amount previously repaid.

A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Delayed Drawdown Loan for so long as its unused commitment amount is greater than zero and for purposes of the Concentration Limitations only unfunded portions will count as Delayed Drawdown Loans.

**"Depository" or "DTC"** means The Depository Trust Company and its nominees.

**"DIP Loan"** means any Loan:

- (i) that has a rating assigned by Moody's (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by Moody's, the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by Moody's within five Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer) and a rating assigned by S&P;
- (ii) that is an obligation of a debtor in possession as described in Section 1107 of the Bankruptcy Code or a trustee (if appointment of a trustee has been ordered pursuant to Section 1104 of the Bankruptcy Code) (a **"Debtor"**) organized under the laws of the United States or any state of the United States; and
- (iii) the terms of which have been approved by a final order of the United States Bankruptcy Court, United States District Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, the enforceability of which order is not subject to any pending contested matter or proceeding (as those terms are defined in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure) and which order provides that:

(A) the Loan is secured by liens on the Debtor's otherwise unencumbered assets pursuant to Section 364(c)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code;

(B) the Loan is secured by liens of equal or senior priority on property of the Debtor's estate that is otherwise subject to a lien pursuant to Section 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code;

(C) the Loan is fully secured (based on a current valuation or appraisal report) by junior liens on the Debtor's encumbered assets; or

(D) if any portion of the Loan is unsecured, the repayment of the Loan retains priority over all other administrative expenses pursuant to Section 364(c)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code (and in the case of this clause (D), before the acquisition of the Loan, the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency).

**"Diversity Score"** is a single number that indicates collateral concentration in terms of both issuer and industry concentration, calculated as set forth in Schedule 4 to the Indenture.

**"Diversity Test"** is a test that will be satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Diversity Score as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score. For the purposes of calculating the Diversity Test, any Structured Finance Obligation that is (i) a collateralized loan obligation, (ii) any Synthetic Security with respect to which the Reference Obligation is a collateralized loan obligation or (iii) any Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time will be disregarded.

**"Domicile"** or **"Domiciled"** means, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, the jurisdiction of incorporation, organization or creation of the related obligor.

**"Due Period"** means, with respect to any Payment Date, for all purposes other than payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements, the period from the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date, from the Closing Date) up to but excluding the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the Payment Date (or in the case of the final Payment Date or any Payment Date that is a Redemption Date, through the Business Day before the Payment Date and for payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements the period from the day after the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date from the Closing Date) through the Payment Date).

**"Eligible Country"** means (a) the United States, Canada and any country classified by Moody's as a Moody's Group I Country, Moody's Group II Country or Moody's Group III Country and, in each case, has an S&P foreign currency rating of at least "AA" and a Moody's foreign currency rating of at least "Aa2" and (b) any country that is in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction.

**"Eligible Equity Security"** mean an equity security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation by, or on behalf of, the Issuer that (i) is publicly traded on an Established Securities Market or (ii) the Market Value of which is higher than the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation with respect to which such equity security has been acquired by the Issuer.

**"Eligible Investments"** means any Dollar-denominated obligation or asset that, when it is pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee under the Indenture, is one or more of the following:

(i) Cash;

(ii) direct Registered obligations of, and Registered obligations the timely payment of principal and interest on which is fully and expressly guaranteed by, the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States the obligations of which are expressly backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, which in each case are not zero coupon securities;

(iii) demand and time deposits in, trust accounts, certificates of deposit payable within 91 days of issuance of, bankers' acceptances payable within 91 days of issuance issued by, or Federal funds sold by any depository institution or trust company incorporated under the laws of the United States or any state thereof and subject to supervision and examination by Federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or the debt obligations of such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company), at the time of such acquisition or contractual commitment providing for such acquisition and throughout the term thereof, have a credit rating of not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade, or "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P in the case of commercial paper and short-term debt obligations; *provided* that in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than "AA-" by S&P and "Aa3" by Moody's and a short-term rating of "A-1+" by S&P and "P-1" by Moody's, and if so rated, is not on watch for downgrade;

(iv) commercial paper or other short-term obligations with a maturity of not more than 183 days from the date of issuance and having at the time of such acquisition a credit rating of at least "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P; *provided* that, in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's and "AA-" by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(v) unleveraged repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clause (b) above entered into with a U.S. federal or state depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (iii) above or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose long-term credit rating is not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade or whose short-term credit rating is "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof; *provided* that, if such repurchase obligation has a maturity of longer than 91 days, the counterparty thereto must also have at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(vi) any money market fund or similar vehicle having at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof a credit rating of "MR1+" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P; including any fund for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee serves as an investment adviser, administrator, shareholder servicing agent, custodian or subcustodian, notwithstanding that (A) the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses from such funds for services rendered (*provided* that such charges, fees and expenses are on terms consistent with terms negotiated at arm's length) and (B) the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses for services rendered, pursuant to the Indenture;

(vii) a guaranteed reinvestment agreement from a bank (if treated as a deposit by such bank), insurance company or other corporation or entity organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (if treated as debt by such insurance company or other corporation or

entity), providing for periodic payments thereunder during each Due Period; *provided* that each such agreement provides that it is terminable by the purchaser, without premium or penalty, in the event that the rating assigned to such agreement by either Moody's or S&P is at any time lower than the then current ratings assigned to the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes; *provided, further*, that, at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof, the issuer of such agreement has a senior unsecured long-term debt rating, issuer rating or counterparty rating of at least "Aaa" by Moody's, a short-term debt rating of "P-1" by Moody's (and not on watch for downgrade), a short-term debt rating of at least "A-1+" by S&P and a long-term debt rating of at least "AAA" by S&P (and not on watch for downgrade); and

(viii) such other obligations or assets for which Rating Confirmation has been received;

and, in each case, with a stated maturity (giving effect to any applicable grace period) no later than the Business Day before the Payment Date next succeeding the date of acquisition.

Eligible Investments on deposit in the Synthetic Security Reserve Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account must have a stated maturity no later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase.

Eligible Investments may not include:

- (1) any interest-only security, any security purchased at a price in excess of 100% of its par value, any mortgage-backed security or any security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer;
- (2) any security whose rating assigned by S&P includes the subscript "r," "t," "p," "pi," or "q";
- (3) any floating rate security whose interest rate is inversely or otherwise not proportionately related to an interest rate index or is calculated as other than the sum of an interest rate index plus a spread (which spread may be zero);
- (4) any security that is subject to an exchange or tender offer; or
- (5) any security that has payments subject to foreign or United States withholding tax or the acquisition (including the manner of acquisition), ownership, enforcement or Disposition of which will subject the Issuer to net income tax in any jurisdiction outside the Issuer's jurisdiction of incorporation.

Eligible Investments may include Eligible Investments for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee is the issuer or depository institution or provides services. Eligible Investments may not include obligations principally secured by real property.

**"Emerging Market Security"** means a security or obligation issued by a sovereign or non-sovereign issuer located in a country (excluding the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Netherlands Antilles, and the Channel Islands):

- (i) that is in Latin America, Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, or the Caribbean; or

(ii) the long-term foreign currency debt obligations of which are rated below "Aa2" or "Aa2" and on credit watch with negative implications by Moody's or the foreign currency issuer credit rating of which is below "AA" by S&P.

**"Euroclear"** means Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear system.

**"Excel Default Model Input File"** means an electronic spreadsheet file in Microsoft excel format to be provided to S&P, which file shall include the balance of Cash and Eligible Investments in each account and the following information (to the extent such information is not confidential) with respect to each Collateral Obligation and, in the case of a Synthetic Security, the related Reference Obligation:

(a) the name and country of domicile of the issuer thereof and the particular obligation or security held by the Issuer,

(b) the CUSIP or other applicable identification number associated with such Collateral Obligation and, in the case of a Synthetic Security, the related Reference Obligation,

(c) the par value of such Collateral Obligation and, in the case of a Synthetic Security, the related Reference Obligation,

(d) the type of obligation or security (including, by way of example, whether such Collateral Obligation and, in the case of a Synthetic Security, the related Reference Obligation is a bond, loan or asset-backed security), using such abbreviations as may be selected by the Trustee,

(e) a description of the index or other applicable benchmark upon which the interest payable on such Collateral Obligation and, in the case of a Synthetic Security, the related Reference Obligation is based (including, by way of example, fixed rate, step-up rate, zero coupon and LIBOR),

(f) the coupon (in the case of a Collateral Obligation and, in the case of a Synthetic Security, the related Reference Obligation which bears interest at a fixed rate) or the spread over the applicable index (in the case of a Collateral Obligation and, in the case of a Synthetic Security, the related Reference Obligation which bears interest at a floating rate),

(g) the S&P Industry Classification for such Collateral Obligation and, in the case of a Synthetic Security, the related Reference Obligation,

(h) the stated maturity date of such Collateral Obligation and, in the case of a Synthetic Security, the related Reference Obligation,

(i) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation and, in the case of a Synthetic Security, the related Reference Obligation or the issuer thereof, as applicable,

(j) the applicable S&P Recovery Rate,

(k) identification as a Cov-lite Loan or not, and

(l) such other information as the Trustee may determine to include in such file.

**"Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations"** means the Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations in excess of 7.5% of the Maximum Amount on the relevant Determination Date.

**"Excluded Property"** means (i) U.S.\$1,000 (attributable to the issue and allotment of the Issuer Ordinary Shares) and a U.S.\$1,000 transaction fee paid to the Issuer, the bank account in which those amounts are credited in the Cayman Islands and any interest earned on those amounts; (ii) any amounts credited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account and the Preference Shares Distribution Account from time to time and (iii) any Margin Stock.

**"Extension"** means an extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test in accordance with the Indenture.

**"Extension Bonus Payment"** means, with respect to each Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable beneficial owner set forth in "Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date" in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Class A-1 Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class A-2 Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (3) in the case of the Class B Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (4) in the case of the Class C Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (5) in the case of the Class D Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date and (6) in the case of the Class E Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

**"Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification"** means, with respect to each Maturity Extension and each beneficial owner of Notes other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such beneficial owner acceptable to the Issuer to the effect that it held Notes other than Extension Sale Securities on the applicable Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof in the case of the Notes and wire transfer instructions for the Extension Bonus Payment and any required documentation thereunder.

**"Extension Determination Date"** means the eighth Business Day prior to each Extension Effective Date.

**"Extension Purchase Price"** means the purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with each Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, *plus* accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the applicable Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since the Closing Date would cause such Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a "Payment Date" under the Indenture); *provided, however*, that if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Preference Shares shall be zero.

**"Extension Qualifying Purchasers"** means the Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Extension Sale

Securities from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in "Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date;" "Extension Qualifying Purchasers" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchasers or any of their Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; *provided however*, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

**"Face Amount"** means, with respect to any Preference Share, the amount set forth therein as the "face amount" thereof, which "face amount" shall be \$1,000 per Preference Share.

**"Finance Lease"** means a lease agreement or other agreement entered into in connection with and evidencing a Leasing Finance Transaction.

**"Fixed Rate Excess"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose numerator is the product of:

- (i) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date over the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test; and
- (ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date;

and whose denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Fixed Rate Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Spread Excess were equal to zero.

**"Fixed Rate Obligations"** means any Collateral Obligation that bears interest at a fixed rate.

**"Floating Rate Notes"** means the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**"Floating Rate Obligation"** means any Collateral Obligation that bears interest based on a floating rate index.

**"Form-Approved Synthetic Security"** means a Synthetic Security:

- (i) (A) each of the Reference Obligations of which satisfy the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and could be purchased by the Issuer without any required action by the Rating Agencies, without satisfaction of the Rating Condition or which the Rating Agencies have otherwise approved; or
- (B) each of the Reference Obligations of which would satisfy clause (A) above but for the currency in which the Reference Obligation is payable and the Synthetic Security is payable in Dollars, does not provide for physical settlement, and does not expose the Issuer to Dollar currency risk;
- (ii) the Synthetic Security Agreement of which conforms (but for the amount and timing of periodic payments, the name of the Reference Obligation, the notional amount, the



effective date, the termination date, and other similar necessary changes) to a form that has been expressly identified and approved in writing in connection with a request under the Indenture by Moody's and S&P;

(iii) a copy of the Synthetic Security Agreement of which has been delivered to the Holders of the Class A Notes by the Trustee at the expense of the Co-Issuers and upon being furnished with a copy of the same by the Servicer; and

(iv) that is with a counterparty with respect to which the Rating Condition has been satisfied by each of Moody's and S&P prior to the acquisition of any such Form-Approved Synthetic Security, and such approval has not been withdrawn.

Moody's or S&P may at any time, by notice to the Servicer, withdraw its approval of any such form. A withdrawal of approval shall have no effect on any Synthetic Security acquired, entered into, or committed to before the date on which the Servicer receives the notice of withdrawal.

**"Funded Amount"** means, with respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan at any time, the aggregate principal amount of advances or other extensions of credit made thereunder by the Issuer that are outstanding and have not been repaid at such time.

**"Hedge Agreements"** means, collectively, all interest rate cap or interest rate swap agreements between the Issuer and any Hedge Counterparty, and any replacement agreement entered into pursuant to the Indenture.

**"Hedge Counterparty"** means any counterparty, to the extent that when the Issuer enters into any Hedge Agreement with such counterparty, such counterparty satisfies the requirements of the Indenture, including the satisfaction of the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency.

**"Hedge Termination Receipt"** means any termination payment paid by the Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer upon any early termination of a Hedge Agreement with respect to which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**"High-Yield Bond"** means any debt security, other than a Loan or a Structured Finance Obligation, that is either Registered or, if not Registered, (i) it is issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States, (ii) the payments on it are not subject to United States withholding tax and (iii) it is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**"Holder"** means, of any Note, the person whose name appears on the Indenture Register as the registered holder of the Note; and of any Preference Share, the person whose name appears in the Preference Share register related thereto as the registered holder of such Preference Share.

**"Incurrence Covenant"** means a covenant by the borrower to comply with one or more financial covenants only upon the occurrence of certain actions of the borrower including, but not limited to, a debt issuance, dividend payment, share purchase, merger, acquisition or divestiture.

**"Indenture Registrar"** means the Bank in its capacity as Indenture registrar as provided in the Indenture.

**"Indenture Register"** means the register caused to be kept by the Issuer for the purpose of registering Notes and transfers of the Notes as provided in the Indenture.

**"Initial Consent Period"** means the period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee mailed notice of a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of Securities.

**"Initial Rating"** means, the ratings by Moody's and S&P with respect to each Class of Notes provided in the table in "Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities."

**"Interest Period"** means, initially, the period from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the first Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date.

**"Interest Proceeds"** means, with respect to any Due Period, the sum (without duplication) of all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period (or as otherwise specified below) by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are:

(i) payments of interest, fees, and commissions (excluding (A) Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal, (B) interest and dividends on Workout Assets, (C) interest, fees and commissions from Defaulted Collateral Obligations and Deferred Interest PIK Securities and (D) syndication and other up-front fees and any up-front fixed payments received in connection with entering into a Synthetic Security);

(ii) any portion of the Sale Proceeds of a Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) representing Accrued Interest On Sale;

(iii) all payments of principal on, or disposition proceeds from the sale of, Eligible Investments to the extent purchased with Interest Proceeds;

(iv) payments with respect to the Hedge Agreements received on or before the related Payment Date (other than any amount payable thereunder because of any early termination or notional amount reduction), but not any Sale Proceeds from any of these instruments (except to the extent that they were purchased with Interest Proceeds);

(v) all fees received pursuant to any Securities Lending Agreements;

(vi) amounts in the Collection Account designated for distribution as Interest Proceeds pursuant to the Priority of Payments;

(vii) all earnings on amounts in the Synthetic Security Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account and the Revolving Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account in accordance with the Indenture;

(viii) amounts in the Expense Reimbursement Account on the Payment Date for the relevant Due Period;

(ix) any recoveries (including interest) received on a Defaulted Collateral Obligation or Deferred Interest PIK Securities in excess of the principal balance of such Defaulted Collateral Obligation or Deferred Interest PIK Securities (as of the date the related Collateral Obligation became a Defaulted Collateral Obligation); and

(x) Principal Proceeds designated by the Servicer as Interest Proceeds prior to the Determination Date related to the first Payment Date in an aggregate amount not to exceed

\$2,000,000 in accordance with the last paragraph under "Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Collection Account".

Interest Proceeds shall not include the Excluded Property and Interest Proceeds shall not include earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

Each reference in the definition of "Interest Proceeds" to a Collateral Obligation shall include a Collateral Obligation that has been loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and Interest Proceeds shall include any amounts referred to in clauses (i) through (iii) above received by the Issuer in respect of the Collateral Obligation indirectly from the related Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement.

With respect to any Payment Date, Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Interest Proceeds due and payable on such Payment Date to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date that are distributed to such Holders by way of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of Cash pursuant to "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds.

**"Issuer Charter"** means the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Issuer, as amended and restated on or about the Closing Date or in accordance with the Indenture.

**"Issuer Order"** and **"Issuer Request"** means a written order or request dated and signed in the name of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, or by the Servicer by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

**"Junior Class"** means, with respect to a particular Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that is subordinated to that Class.

**"LCDS Security"** means a credit default swap the Reference Obligations of which are denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars.

**"Leasing Finance Transaction"** means any transaction pursuant to which the obligations of the lessee to pay rent or other amounts on a triple net basis under any lease of (or other arrangement conveying the right to use) real or personal property, or a combination thereof, are required to be classified and accounted for as a capital lease on a balance sheet of such lessee under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America; but only if (a) such lease or other transaction provides for the unconditional obligation of the lessee to pay a stated amount of principal no later than a stated maturity date, together with interest thereon, and the payment of such obligation is not subject to any material non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer, (b) the obligations of the lessee in respect of such lease or other transaction are fully secured, directly or indirectly, by the property that is the subject of such lease and (c) the interest held by the Issuer in respect of such lease or other transaction is treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

**"Loan"** means any interest in a fully committed, senior secured, unsecured, or revolving loan (including loans involving credit linked deposits and synthetic or prefunded letters of credit) that is acquired by assignment or by Participation (including any DIP Loan) that is either:

- (i) Registered; or
- (ii) issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States:
  - (A) whose payments are not subject to United States withholding tax; and
  - (B) that is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**"Long-Dated Collateral Obligation"** means any Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturity of the Notes other than a Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturities of the Notes that includes a "put" option to its obligor at a price of at least par payable on or before the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

**"Maintenance Covenant"** means a covenant by the borrower to comply with one or more financial covenants during each reporting period, whether or not it has taken any specified action.

**"Majority"** means, with respect to any Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**"Margin Stock"** means "Margin Stock" as defined under Regulation U issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, including any debt security that is by its terms convertible into Margin Stock, but does not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation received pursuant to an offer by an issuer of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**"Market Value"** means, as of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three broker-dealers Independent from the Servicer and each other active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the lower of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two broker-dealers Independent from the Servicer and each other active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the bid-side prices for the purchase of the Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer).

If a Market Value of any Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined in accordance with the procedures set out in the previous paragraph for a period of 30 consecutive days then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero; *provided*, that during such 30 day period, such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to (a) the higher of (i) the S&P Recovery Rate for such Collateral Obligation with reference to the then current S&P Rating of the Class A-1 Notes (or the most senior Class of Notes Outstanding and rated by S&P) and (ii) 70% of the Principal Balance of such Collateral Obligation or (b) if the Servicer has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation is lower than the amount determined

pursuant to clause (a), such amount to be determined by the Servicer in its commercially reasonable judgment; *provided, further*, that the maximum amount of Collateral Obligations having a Market Value assigned pursuant to the immediately preceding proviso shall be limited to 5.0% of the Maximum Amount (and any amount in excess of 5.0% of the Maximum Amount shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero). For the avoidance of doubt, the procedures set out in this paragraph shall not apply to determinations of Market Value of any Eligible Equity Securities or Current Pay Obligations.

The Servicer is under no obligation to determine the Market Value of the Collateral Obligations other than as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or the Indenture or to comply with any of its duties as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or in the Indenture.

**"Market Value Determination Date"** means, with respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities, one Business Day prior to the date of the notice distributed by the Issuer to the Holders of the Preference Shares in connection with such distribution.

**"Market Value Percentage"** means, for any Collateral Obligation, the ratio obtained by dividing:

- (i) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation; by
- (ii) the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Maximum Amount"** means an amount equal to:

- (i) on any Measurement Date during the Ramp-Up Period, U.S.\$687,400,000; and
- (ii) on any Measurement Date after the Ramp-Up Completion Date:
  - (A) the aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations *plus* the aggregate outstanding principal amount of any Defaulted Collateral Obligations; *plus*
  - (B) cash representing Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
  - (C) Eligible Investments (other than cash) purchased by the Issuer with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account.

**"Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to (i) the number set forth in the column entitled "Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolation between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**"Measurement Date"** means any date:

- (i) on which the Issuer commits to acquire or dispose of any Collateral Obligation;
- (ii) on which a Collateral Obligation becomes a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
- (iii) that is a Determination Date;
- (iv) that is the Ramp-Up Completion Date;

(v) that is the date as of which the information in a Monthly Report is calculated pursuant to the Indenture;

(vi) as reasonably requested by S&P; and,

(vii) with respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities only, that is the Market Value Determination Date.

**"Minimum Diversity Score"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a score equal to the number set forth in the column entitled "Minimum Diversity Score" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolation between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**"Minimum Weighted Average Spread"** means, as of any Measurement Date, the spread equal to the percentage set forth in the row entitled "Minimum Weighted Average Spread" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolation between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**"Monthly Report"** means a monthly report compiled and provided by the Issuer.

**"Moody's Default Probability Rating"** means with respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

(i) with respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:

(A) if the Loan's obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, such corporate family rating; and

(B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Obligation Rating of such Loan;

(C) if the preceding clauses do not apply, the rating that is one subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating;

(ii) with respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating of such Collateral Obligation;

(iii) with respect to a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the rating that is one rating subcategory below the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof;

(iv) with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof (or, if the obligation does not have an Assigned Moody's Rating but has a rating by S&P, then the Moody's Default Probability Rating shall be:

(x) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher, or

(y) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; and

(v) with respect to a Synthetic Security, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down (if on watch for downgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories or adjusted up (if on watch for upgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture, if a Moody's Default Probability Rating is withdrawn by Moody's with respect to a Collateral Obligation, the Issuer will continue using the latest Moody's Default Probability Rating available immediately prior to such withdrawal until a bankruptcy event occurs with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating"** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation that is a Loan or bond and the obligor thereof, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

(i) if the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating;

(ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's "Issuer Rating" for the obligor;

(iii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating; then

(A) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "B3" (and, if rated "B3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one rating subcategory higher than such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(B) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "B3" (or rated "B3" and on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be such Assigned Moody's Rating;

(iv) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating; then:

(A) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "Caa3" (and, if rated "Caa3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one subcategory below such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(B) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "Caa3" (or rated "Caa3" and on watch for downgrade), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be "C";

(v) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but such obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be one rating subcategory below such corporate family rating;

(vi) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(D) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; or

(E) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's of (a) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating no lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (vi)(C), or clauses (vii)(C) or (viii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(vii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(B) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (iii) above; or

(C) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (a) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (vii)(C), or clauses (vi)(C) or (viii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(viii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(B) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (iv) above; or



(C) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (a) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within two Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (viii)(C), or clause (vi)(C) or (vii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(ix) if the preceding clauses do not apply and each of the following clauses (A) through (H) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa1:"

(A) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings;

(B) no debt securities or obligations of the obligor are in default;

(C) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates has defaulted on any debt during the preceding two years;

(D) the obligor has been in existence for the preceding five years;

(E) the obligor is current on any cumulative dividends;

(F) the fixed-charge ratio for the obligor exceeds 125% for each of the preceding two fiscal years and for the most recent quarter;

(G) the obligor had a net profit before tax in the past fiscal year and the most recent quarter; and

(H) the annual financial statements of such obligor are unqualified and certified by a firm of Independent accountants of international reputation, and quarterly statements are unaudited but signed by a corporate officer;

(x) if the preceding clauses do not apply but each of the following clauses (A) and (B) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa3":

(A) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings; and

(B) no debt security or obligation of such obligor has been in default during the past two years; and

(xi) if the preceding clauses do not apply and a debt security or obligation of the obligor has been in default during the past two years, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Ca."

Notwithstanding the foregoing, not more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may consist of Relevant Obligations given a Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating based on a rating given by S&P as provided in clauses (vi), (vii) and (viii) above.

**"Moody's Excess Weighted Average Recovery Rate"** the greater of (i) zero and (ii) the difference (if positive) between the Moody's Weighted Average Recovery Rate and 43.6%.

**"Moody's Group I Country"** means any of the following countries: Australia, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group I Country.

**"Moody's Group II Country"** means any of the following countries: Germany, Ireland, Sweden, Switzerland and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group II Country.

**"Moody's Group III Country"** means any of the following countries: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, Spain and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group III Country.

**"Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan"** means any Loan that is not a Moody's Senior Secured Loan.

**"Moody's Obligation Rating"** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (i) With respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:
  - (A) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or
  - (B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the rating that is one rating subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and
- (ii) With respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond:
  - (A) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or
  - (B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and
- (iii) With respect to a Synthetic Security or a DIP Loan, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

**"Moody's Priority Category"** means each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix" as a "Moody's Priority Category."

**"Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate"** means for any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix" opposite the Moody's Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

"**Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix**" means the table below:

<b>Moody's Priority Category</b>	<b>Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Synthetic Securities.....	In the case of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to the Form-Approved Synthetic Security at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security by Moody's; and</li> <li>(ii) any other Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to the Synthetic Security at the time of acquisition of the Synthetic Security.</li> </ul>
Structured Finance Obligations.....	The Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the Moody's Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 5</u> to the Indenture by reference to the type of asset and its then Moody's Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that schedule does not apply, on a case-by-case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
unsecured DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligations not covered above or below ..	As determined by Moody's on a case-by-case basis.

For High-Yield Bonds, Moody's Senior Secured Loans and Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is the rate determined pursuant to the table below based on the number of rating subcategories difference between the High-Yield Bond's or Loan's Moody's Obligation Rating and its Moody's Default Probability Rating (for purposes of clarification, if the Moody's Obligation Rating is higher than the Moody's Default Probability Rating, the rating subcategories difference will be positive and if it is lower, negative):

<b>Number of Moody's Rating Subcategories Difference Between the Moody's Obligation Rating and the Moody's Default Probability Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>High-Yield Bonds</b>
+2 or more	60.0%	45.0%	40.0%
+1	50.0%	42.5%	35.0%
0	45.0%	40.0%	30.0%
-1	40.0%	30.0%	15.0%
-2	30.0%	15.0%	10.0%
-3 or less	20.0%	10.0%	2.0%

If no Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate has been specifically assigned with respect to a Loan pursuant to the above table, and the Loan is a secured DIP Loan, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is 50.0%.

**"Moody's Rating"** means the Moody's Default Probability Rating; *provided* that, with respect to the Collateral Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or any successor to it ceases to provide rating services, references to rating categories of Moody's in the Indenture shall be deemed instead to be references to the equivalent categories of any other nationally recognized investment rating agency selected by the Servicer, as of the most recent date on which such other rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which such alternative rating agency is used. If no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's, then the Servicer may apply to Moody's for a Moody's credit rating estimate, which will be its Moody's Rating; *provided* that, on or prior to each one-year anniversary of the acquisition of any such Collateral Obligation, the Issuer shall submit to Moody's a request for a Moody's credit rating estimate for such Collateral Obligation, which shall be its Moody's Rating, together with all information reasonably required by Moody's to perform such estimate

**"Moody's Rating Factor"** means the number in the table below opposite the rating of the Collateral Obligation (excluding Synthetic Securities where an Assigned Moody's Rating is not available).

<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>	<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>
Aaa	1	Ba1	940
Aa1	10	Ba2	1350
Aa2	20	Ba3	1766
Aa3	40	B1	2220
A1	70	B2	2720
A2	120	B3	3490
A3	180	Caa1	4770
Baa1	260	Caa2	6500
Baa2	360	Caa3	8070
Baa3	610	Ca or lower	10000

The Moody's Rating Factor for Collateral Obligations that are Synthetic Securities shall be determined by Moody's and obtained by the Issuer or the Servicer on a case-by-case basis, unless there is an Assigned Moody's Rating available for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, in which case such Assigned Moody's Rating shall be used to compute the Moody's Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security or (2) such Collateral Obligation is a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, in which case the Moody's Rating Factor given to such Collateral Obligation at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security shall be used to compute the Moody's Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security.

The Moody's Rating Factor for any Collateral Obligation that is a Structured Finance Obligation shall be equal to:  $\frac{A \times 55\%}{1 - B}$ ,

where: "A" means the number determined with respect to such Collateral Obligation pursuant to the table above; and

"B" means the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Senior Secured Loan"** means:

(i) a Loan that:

(A) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan;

(B) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan; and

(C) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal seniority secured by a first lien or security interest in the same collateral; or

(ii) a Loan that:

(A) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan, other than, with respect to a Loan described in clause (i) above, with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such loan;

(B) is secured by a valid second or lower priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan;

(C) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by a first or second lien or security interest in the same collateral; and

(D) has been assigned a Moody's rating equal to or higher than Moody's corporate family rating for such obligor's; and

(iii) the Loan is not: (A) a DIP Loan, (B) a Loan for which the security interest or lien (or the validity or effectiveness thereof) in substantially all of its collateral attaches, becomes effective, or otherwise "springs" into existence after the origination thereof, or (C) a type of loan

that Moody's has identified as having unusual terms and with respect to which its Moody's Recovery Rate has been or is to be determined on a case-by-case basis.

**"Moody's Weighted Average Rating Factor Recovery Rate Modifier"**: the product of (i) the portion of the Moody's Excess Weighted Average Recovery Rate specified by the Servicer in a notice to the Trustee and (ii) 5250, *provided* that the sum of the amount specified in clause (i) of this definition and clause (i) of the definition of the "Moody's Weighted Average Spread Recovery Rate Modifier" cannot exceed the Moody's Excess Weighted Average Recovery Rate.

**"Moody's Weighted Average Recovery Rate"**: As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the number obtained by:

- (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate;
- (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations; and
- (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

**"Moody's Weighted Average Spread Recovery Rate Modifier"**: the product of (i) the portion of the Moody's Excess Weighted Average Recovery Rate specified by the Servicer in a notice to the Trustee and (ii) 6.0%, *provided* that the sum of the amount specified in clause (i) of this definition and clause (i) of the definition of the "Moody's Weighted Average Rating Factor Recovery Rate Modifier" cannot exceed the Moody's Excess Weighted Average Recovery Rate.

**"Non-Consenting Holder"** means with respect to any supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, any Holder or, in the case of Securities represented by Global Notes, any beneficial owner, that either (i) has delivered to the Trustee a written notice that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) had not consented to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

**"Non-Performing Collateral Obligation"** means any Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any PIK Security as to which its issuer or obligor has previously deferred or capitalized any interest due on it and all the interest so deferred or capitalized has not subsequently been paid in full in cash by:

- (i) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above, the earlier of its second payment date or one year following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it; or
- (ii) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "Baa3," or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "BBB-," the earlier of its first payment date or six months following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it.

**"Note Break-Even Loss Rate"** with respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the maximum percentage of defaults that the Current Portfolio or Proposed Portfolio can sustain and nevertheless sufficient funds will remain for the payment of principal of the Class of Notes in full by its Stated Maturity and the timely payment of interest on the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes and the ultimate payment of interest on the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class

E Notes using S&P's assumptions on recoveries, defaults, and timing, and taking into account the Priority of Payments and the adjusted Weighted Average Spread level specified in the applicable row of the table below. The adjusted Weighted Average Spread as of any Measurement Date is the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date *minus* the amount of any Spread Excess added to the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon as of the Measurement Date.

<b>Row</b>	<b>Adjusted Weighted Average Spread</b>
1	Greater than or equal to 3.20%
2	Greater than or equal to 3.10% but less than 3.20%
3	Greater than or equal to 3.00% but less than 3.10%
4	Greater than or equal to 2.90% but less than 3.00%
5	Greater than or equal to 2.80% but less than 2.90%
6	Greater than or equal to 2.70% but less than 2.80%
7	Greater than or equal to 2.60% but less than 2.70%
8	Greater than or equal to 2.50% but less than 2.60%
9	Greater than or equal to 2.40% but less than 2.50%
10	Greater than or equal to 2.30% but less than 2.40%
11	Greater than or equal to 2.20% but less than 2.30%
12	Greater than or equal to 2.10% but less than 2.20%
13	Greater than or equal to 2.00% but less than 2.10%

**"Note Class Loss Differential"** with respect to any Measurement Date and any Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the rate calculated by subtracting the Class Scenario Loss Rate for the Class from the then-applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate for the Class of Notes.

**"Notes"** means the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**"Noteholder"** means a Holder of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes.

**"Note Payment Sequence"** means the application of funds in the following order:

- (1) to the payment of principal of the Class A-1 Notes until the Class A-1 Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (2) to the Class A-2 Notes until the Class A-2 Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (3) to the Class B Notes until the Class B Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (4) to the Class C Notes until the Class C Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (5) to the Class D Notes until the Class D Notes have been fully redeemed; and

(6) to the Class E Notes until the Class E Notes have been fully redeemed.

**"Offer"** means any Collateral Obligation that is subject to a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion or other similar action.

**"Officer"** means, with respect to the Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to the Co-Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to any partnership, any of its general partners; and with respect to the Trustee, any Trust Officer.

**"Outstanding"** means, with respect to:

(i) the Notes or any specified Class, as of any date of determination, all of the Notes or all of the Notes of the specified Class, as the case may be, theretofore authenticated and delivered under the Indenture, except with respect to Notes:

(A) Notes canceled by the Indenture Registrar or delivered to the Indenture Registrar for cancellation;

(B) Notes for whose payment or redemption funds in the necessary amount have been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for their Holders pursuant to the Indenture and if the Notes are to be redeemed, notice of redemption has been duly given pursuant to the Indenture;

(C) Notes in exchange for or in lieu of which other Notes have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to the Indenture; and

(D) Notes alleged to have been destroyed, lost, or stolen for which replacement Notes have been issued as provided in the Indenture, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Notes are held by a protected purchaser; and

(ii) the Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Preference Share Documents and listed in the Preference Share register of the Issuer as outstanding;

*provided* that, in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver under the Indenture, Securities owned or beneficially owned by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, any Affiliate of either of them and, with respect to any matter affecting its status as Servicer or appointment of a replacement Servicer or relating to an acceleration of any Class of Notes if the effect of the Servicer's action or inaction as a Holder of Securities would effectively prevent acceleration, the Servicer, its Affiliates and any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (other than, with respect to Notes or Class II Preference Shares, HFP or any of its subsidiaries; *provided* that, with respect to the voting authority of Notes or Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Trustee or the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) shall be disregarded and not



be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver, only Securities that a Trust Officer of the Trustee (or with respect to the Preference Shares, only Preference Shares that an authorized officer of the Preference Shares Paying Agent) has actual knowledge to be so owned or beneficially owned shall be so disregarded. Securities so owned or beneficially owned that have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee or the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, the pledgee's right so to act with respect to the Securities and that the pledgee is independent from the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

**"Participating Institution"** means an institution that creates a participation interest and that has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" (and if so rated by Moody's such rating is not on watch for possible downgrade) and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A".

**"Participation"** means a Loan (including a Loan involving Synthetic Letters of Credit if structured like a Participation) acquired as a participation interest created by a Participating Institution.

**"Permitted Offer"** means a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion, or other similar action pursuant to which the offeror offers to acquire a debt obligation (including a Collateral Obligation) in exchange solely for cash in an amount equal to or greater than the full face amount of the debt obligation plus any accrued and unpaid interest and as to which the Servicer has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the offeror has sufficient access to financing to consummate the tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion, or other similar action.

**"PIK Cash-Pay Interest"** means, as to any PIK Security, the portion of interest required to be paid in cash (and not permitted to be added to the balance of such PIK Security or otherwise deferred and accrued) thereon pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments.

**"PIK Security"** means any loan or debt obligation on which any portion of the interest accrued for a specified period of time or until the maturity thereof is, or at the option of the obligor may be, added to the principal balance of such loan or debt obligation or otherwise deferred rather than being paid in cash; *provided* that such loan or debt obligation shall not be a PIK Security if the portion, if any, of such interest required pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments to be paid in Cash would result in the outstanding principal amount of such loan or debt obligation having an effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest at least equal to (i) if such loan or debt obligation is a fixed rate loan or debt obligation, 4% per annum, or (ii) if such loan or debt obligation is a floating rate loan or debt obligation, LIBOR.

**"Pledged Obligations"** means, as of any date of determination, the Collateral Obligations, the Workout Assets, the Eligible Investments, and any other securities or obligations that have been granted to the Trustee that form part of the Collateral.

**"Person"** is an individual, corporation (including a business trust), partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust (including any beneficiary thereof), unincorporated association or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

**"Portfolio Improvement Exchange"** means, the disposition, during the Replacement Period, of a Collateral Obligation and corresponding acquisition of one or more Collateral Obligations which in the aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Test, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied (or bring the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations closer to compliance with any such test or limitation) or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test or Concentration

Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith would be improved and (ii) improving, on a net basis, the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test and Concentration Limitations and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased.

**"Preference Share Internal Rate of Return"** means, with respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the "XIRR" function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for the following cash flows, assuming all Preference Shares are purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount:

(i) each distribution of Interest Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date; and

(ii) each distribution of Principal Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date.

**"Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement"** means a Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, to be dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer, State Street Bank and Trust Company, as Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

**"Preference Shares Distribution Account"** means a separate segregated securities account established by the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deposit all amounts received from the Issuer and payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares under the Priority of Payments.

**"Preference Shares Notional Amount"** means, as of the Closing Date, \$63,000,000, and thereafter as increased each time additional Preference Shares are issued in accordance with the Preference Share Documents.

**"Preference Shares Paying Agent"** means State Street Bank and Trust Company in its capacity as Preference Shares Paying Agent under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter "Preference Shares Paying Agent" shall mean such successor person.

**"Principal Balance"** means, with respect to:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those specifically covered in this definition, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Pledged Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest, zero, except as otherwise expressly specified in the Indenture;
- (iv) any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, except as otherwise provided, zero;
- (v) any Collateral Obligation that has been loaned, its Principal Balance shall be reduced by the excess of the amount of collateral required over the actual Market Value of the collateral;
- (vi) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance shall include the Unfunded Amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the Unfunded Amount), except as otherwise expressly specified in the Indenture;
- (vii) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance shall not include any principal amount of the PIK Security representing previously deferred or capitalized interest; and
- (viii) any Qualified Equity Security and any obligation or security that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, zero.

**"Principal Proceeds"** means with respect to any Due Period, all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are not Interest Proceeds.

Principal Proceeds shall include any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account into the Collection Account pursuant to the Indenture.

Principal Proceeds do not include the Excluded Property or earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

At any time when an "event of default" under a Securities Lending Agreement has occurred and is continuing, any payments received by the Issuer from the related Securities Lending Collateral shall be Principal Proceeds.

**"Priority Class"** means, with respect to any specified Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that ranks senior to that Class.

**"Proceeding"** means any suit in equity, action at law, or other judicial or administrative proceeding.

**"Proposed Portfolio"** means, as of any Measurement Date, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations and Principal Proceeds held as cash on deposit in the Collection Account and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account resulting from the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or a proposed purchase of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**"Purchase Agreement"** means a purchase agreement dated as of the Closing Date among the Issuer and the Initial Purchasers relating to the purchase of the Notes and the Class I Preference Shares, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance"** means, for any Collateral Obligation other than Deep Discount Obligations, its Principal Balance; and for any Deep Discount Obligation its Purchase Price; *provided, however*, that if any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations exist, the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance for the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations shall be the lower of (i) the weighted average Market Value of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances and (ii) the product of (a) 70% and (b) their respective Principal Balance.

**"Purchase Price"** means, with respect to the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (other than any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation), the net purchase price paid by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation. The net purchase price is determined by subtracting from the purchase price the amount of any Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal and any syndication and other upfront fees paid to the Issuer and by adding the amount of any related transaction costs (including assignment fees) paid by the Issuer to the seller of the Collateral Obligation or its agent.

**"Purchase Price Amount"** means, respect to any Collateral Obligation on any date of determination, the product of (i) the Purchase Price (stated as a percentage) thereof and (ii) the Principal Balance thereof on such date.

**"Qualified Equity Security"** means any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that is stock or evidence of an interest in or a right to buy stock, or any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation but whose acquisition otherwise is a transaction in stocks or securities within the meaning of Section 864(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Code and the regulations under the Code. Qualified Equity Securities do not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation and that will cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in or having income from a United States trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes by virtue of its ownership or disposition of the obligation (without regard to the Issuer's other activities).

**"Ramp-Up Period"** means the period from and including the Closing Date to and including the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

**"Rating Agency"** means, each of Moody's and S&P or, with respect to Pledged Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or S&P ceases to provide rating services with respect to high yield debt securities, any other nationally recognized statistical rating organization selected by the Issuer and reasonably satisfactory to a Majority of each Class of Notes. If at any time Moody's ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of Moody's in the Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used. If at any time S&P ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of S&P in the Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and S&P published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used.

**"Rating Condition"** means, with respect to any Rating Agency and any action taken or to be taken under the Indenture, a condition that is satisfied when the Rating Agency has confirmed to the Servicer (as agent for the Issuer) in writing that no withdrawal, reduction, suspension, or other adverse action with respect to any then current rating (determined in accordance with then current methodology) by it (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes will occur as a result of the action. The Rating Condition with respect to any Rating Agency shall be satisfied for all purposes of the Indenture at any time when no Outstanding Notes are rated by it.

**"Rating Confirmation"** means confirmation in writing from each Rating Agency that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes; *provided* that in the case of Refinancing Notes, a Moody's rating will be obtained for such Refinancing Notes and a Rating Confirmation with respect to such Refinancing Notes shall mean (i) with respect to S&P, confirmation in writing from S&P that the rating of each Class of Refinancing Notes will be no lower than the rating on each corresponding Class of Notes subject to such Refinancing and (ii) with respect to Moody's, that the Moody's rating of each Class of Refinancing Notes will be no lower than the rating on each corresponding Class of Notes subject to such Refinancing; provided further that if the terms of such Refinancing Notes are the same as the terms of the corresponding Class of Notes subject to Refinancing (other than with respect to the coupon thereof), it is expected that the cost of obtaining such rating from Moody's shall be no more than the cost of obtaining a Rating Confirmation..

**"Ratings Matrix"** means the table below.

The "row/column combination" of the table below selected by the Servicer on the Closing Date to apply initially for purposes of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test. Thereafter, on notice to the Trustee, the Servicer may select a different row of the Ratings Matrix to apply, or may interpolate between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable, on a straight-line basis and round the results to two decimal points.

		Minimum Diversity Score					
		55	60	65	70	75	80
Minimum Weighted Average Spread (bps)	220	1975	1995	2020	2040	2055	2070
	225	2010	2035	2060	2080	2095	2105
	230	2045	2075	2095	2115	2130	2145
	235	2065	2110	2135	2155	2170	2185
	240	2090	2150	2175	2195	2210	2225
	245	2110	2170	2205	2230	2250	2260
	250	2125	2190	2235	2270	2285	2300
	255	2145	2205	2255	2300	2325	2340
	260	2165	2225	2280	2320	2360	2380
	265	2190	2245	2295	2345	2380	2410
	270	2210	2270	2320	2360	2405	2435
	275	2230	2290	2335	2385	2420	2455
	280	2250	2305	2360	2405	2440	2480
	285	2270	2325	2375	2420	2460	2500
	290	2285	2345	2395	2440	2480	2520
	295	2305	2365	2415	2460	2500	2535
	300	2325	2380	2435	2480	2520	2555
	305	2345	2400	2455	2500	2540	2570
	310	2365	2420	2470	2515	2555	2590
	315	2385	2435	2490	2535	2570	2610
	320	2400	2455	2505	2550	2590	2630
		Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor					

**"Redemption Date"** means any Payment Date specified for an Optional Redemption or the redemption of a Class of Notes in connection with a Refinancing under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption."

**"Redemption Price"** means, with respect to any Note and any Optional Redemption or Refinancing, an amount equal to:

- (i) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of the Note being redeemed; *plus*
- (ii) accrued interest on such Class of Notes (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest); *plus*
- (iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on such Class of Notes; *plus*
- (iv) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of such Class of Notes.

With respect to any Preference Share and any Optional Redemption, "Redemption Price" means (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares of the remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications pursuant to the Priority of Payments or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case as specified in "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares."

**"Reference Obligation"** means an obligation that would otherwise satisfy the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and on which a Synthetic Security is based; *provided* that no Reference Obligation shall be a Synthetic Security.

**"Refinancing Price"** means, with respect to any Class of Notes that is subject to a Refinancing, an amount equal to the Redemption Price therefor.

**"Refinancing Proceeds"** means, the proceeds from any refinancing permitted under the Indenture.

**"Registered"** means, in registered form for U.S. federal income tax purposes and issued after July 18, 1984, provided, that a certificate of interest in a grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes shall not be treated as Registered unless each of the obligations or securities held by the trust was issued after that date.

**"Regulation D"** means Regulation D under the Securities Act.

**"Relevant Obligation"** means, for a Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security, and otherwise the Collateral Obligation.

**"Removal Buy-Out Purchaser"** means the Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent).

**"Required Redemption Percentage"** means, with respect to (a) any Optional Redemption resulting from a Tax Event, the Holders of at least 51% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of any Affected Class or at least 66 $\frac{2}{3}$ % of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares and (b) any other Optional Redemption, a Majority of the Preference Shares.

**"Retention Overcollateralization Ratio"** means, as of any Measurement Date, the ratio obtained by *dividing*: (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator by (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes, excluding any Deferred Interest on any Class of Notes.

**"Revolving Loan"** means a Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation (in each case excluding any Delayed Drawdown Loan) that requires the Issuer to make future advances to (or for the account of) the borrower under its underlying instruments. A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Revolving Loan for so long as its commitment amount is greater than zero.

**"S&P CDO Monitor"** means a dynamic, analytical computer model developed by S&P (and as may be modified by S&P from time to time) and provided to the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator to be used to calculate the default frequency in terms of the amount of debt assumed to default as a percentage of the original principal amount of the Collateral Obligations consistent with a specified benchmark rating level based on certain assumptions and S&P's proprietary corporate default studies. For the purpose (and only for the purpose) of applying the S&P CDO Monitor to a portfolio of obligations, for each obligation in the portfolio, the rating of the obligation shall be its S&P Rating.

**"S&P CDO Monitor Test"** is a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive. The S&P CDO Monitor Test shall be considered to be improved if each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is at least equal to the corresponding Note Class Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio. The S&P CDO Monitor Test is not required to be satisfied or improved upon the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation and the application of the related Sale Proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations. For purposes of the S&P CDO Monitor Test,

- (i) the S&P Rating of any S&P Unrated DIP Loan shall be "CCC;" and
- (ii) the S&P Industry Classification for a Synthetic Security shall be that of the related Reference Obligation and not the Synthetic Security.

**"S&P CRR"** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation, a corporate recovery rate assigned by S&P to such Collateral Obligation.

**"S&P CRR Recovery Rate"** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation to which S&P has assigned a S&P CRR, the recovery rate determined in accordance with the definition of S&P Recovery Rate.

**"S&P Industry Classification"**: With respect to each Class of Note shall be the rate specified in the table below applicable to such Class of Notes in the row elected by the Servicer from time to time with five Business Days' prior notification to the Trustee and Standard & Poor's; provided that such election shall not be effective unless after giving effect to such election, the S&P CDO Monitor test is satisfied.



**"S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate"** means the S&P Industry Classifications in Schedule 3 of the Indenture as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by S&P.

Rating of Class of Notes	Class A S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate	Class B S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate	Class C S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate	Class D S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate	Class E S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate
<b>Row</b>			(%)		
1	50	52	54.5	57	60
2	51	53	55.5	58	61
3	52	54	56.5	59	62
4	53	55	57.5	60	63
5	54	56	58.5	61	64
6	55	57	59.5	62	65
7	56	58	60.5	63	66
8	57	59	61.5	64	67
9	58	60	62.5	65	68
10	59	61	63.5	66	69
11	60	62	64.5	67	70
12	61	63	65.5	68	71
13	62	64	66.5	69	72
14	63	65	67.5	70	73
15	64	66	68.5	71	74
16	65	67	69.5	72	75
17	66	68	70.5	73	76
18	67	69	71.5	74	77
19	68	70	72.5	75	78
20	69	71	73.5	76	79
21	70	72	74.5	77	80
22	71	73	75.5	78	81
23	72	74	76.5	79	82

**"S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test"** means a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Class A S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test, Class B S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test, Class C S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test, Class D S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test and the Class E S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test is satisfied

**"S&P Rating"** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following methodology:

(i) If there is an issuer credit rating of the borrower of the Collateral Obligation (the **"Borrower"**), or the guarantor who unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the Collateral Obligation (the **"Guarantor"**) by S&P, the most current issuer credit rating for such Borrower or Guarantor (*provided* that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating);

(ii) (a) if there is not an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation will be one subcategory below such rating; (b) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior unsecured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be such rating; and (c) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a subordinated obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be two subcategories above such rating if such rating is "BBB-" or higher and will be one subcategory above such rating if such rating is "BB+" or lower (*provided* that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating); or

(iii) if there is neither an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P nor a rating by S&P on an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating may be determined using any one of the methods below:

(A) if an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is publicly rated by Moody's, then the S&P Rating will be determined in accordance with the methodologies for establishing the Moody's Default Probability Rating, except that the S&P Rating of such obligation will be (1) one subcategory below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Baa3" or higher by Moody's and (2) two subcategories below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Bal" or lower by Moody's; *provided* that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may be given a S&P Rating based on a rating given by Moody's as provided in this subclause (A) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

(B) if no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's, then the Servicer may apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating estimate, which will be its S&P Rating; *provided* that, prior to or upon acquisition of any such Collateral Obligation and on or prior to each one year anniversary of the acquisition of such Collateral Obligation, the Issuer shall submit to S&P a request for a S&P credit rating estimate for such Collateral Obligation, which shall be its S&P Rating, together with all information reasonably required by S&P to perform such estimate; or

(C) if such Collateral Obligation is not rated by Moody's or S&P, no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's and if the Servicer determines in its sole discretion based on information available to it after reasonable inquiry that such Borrower (1) is not subject to any bankruptcy or reorganization proceedings nor in default on any of its obligations (unless the subject of a

good faith business dispute), (2) is a legally constituted corporate entity having the minimum legal, financial and operational infrastructure to carry on a definable business, deliver and sell a product or service and report its results in generally accepted accounting terms as verified by a reputable audit firm and (3) is not so vulnerable to adverse business, financial and economic conditions that default in its financial or other obligations is foreseeable in the near term if current operating trends continue, then the S&P Rating will be the rating determined by the Servicer, using its commercially reasonable judgment, to be applicable for such Collateral Obligation during such time as the credit estimate is pending; *provided* that (x) if the Issuer submit all information reasonably required by S&P to perform such estimate within 30 days upon acquisition of any such Collateral Obligation, the aforementioned rating determined by the Servicer will apply until S&P assigns a different rating, (y) if the Issuer does not submit all information reasonably required by S&P to perform such estimate within 30 days upon acquisition of any such Collateral Obligation and if, upon the 90th day following the acquisition of such Collateral Obligation (which 90-day period will be extended by S&P upon request by the Servicer so long as the Servicer has applied to S&P for a S&P credit rating and has provided all the information necessary for S&P to provide a credit rating to such Collateral Obligation prior to or upon acquisition of the such Collateral Obligation), S&P has not assigned a credit rating to such Collateral Obligation, then such Collateral Obligation shall be treated by the Issuer as having a rating of "CCC-" and (z) Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 5% of the Maximum Amount may be given an S&P Rating based on this subclause (c) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

*provided* that, if (i) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any positive "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be increased by one rating subcategory or (ii) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any negative "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be decreased by one rating subcategory.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the S&P Rating shall be (A) the rating assigned thereto by S&P if the rating is public, (B) the rating assigned by S&P if the rating is confidential, but only if all appropriate parties have provided written consent to its disclosure and use, (C) the rating assigned by S&P thereto through an estimated rating or (D) the rating assigned thereto by S&P in connection with the acquisition thereof upon the request of the Servicer. In the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a PIK Security, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Securities, the S&P Rating may not be determined pursuant to clause (iii)(A) above.

S&P Ratings for entities or obligations relevant hereunder other than Borrowers and Collateral Obligations shall be determined in a corresponding manner.

**"S&P Rating Confirmation"** means confirmation in writing from S&P that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes.

**"S&P Recovery Rate"** means, as of any date of determination, with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the percentage for such Collateral Obligation set forth in (x) the applicable table below, (y) the row in such table opposite the S&P CRR (or, if the relevant assets have no S&P CRR, the senior secured recovery rating, the U.S. loan recovery rating or the CDO liability rating, as applicable) of such Collateral Obligation (or, in the case of a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation unless otherwise specified by S&P) and (z) the column in such table below the initial S&P Rating of the respective Class of Notes; provided, however that (i) with respect to a DIP Loan or a Synthetic Security (other than a Form-Approved Synthetic Security), the S&P Recovery Rate shall be the recovery rate

assigned by S&P and with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation the S&P Recovery Rate shall be the recovery rate determined by reference to Table V or Table VI below, as applicable and (ii) the Issuer or the Servicer may request the assignment of a recovery rate from S&P with respect to any Collateral Obligation, any such assignment by S&P to be in writing (electronic or otherwise).

**Table I (if the Collateral Obligation has a S&P CRR): Recovery Rates For Assets With Corporate Recovery Ratings**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B & CCC
<b>S&amp;P CRR</b>				(%)		
1+	100	100	100	100	100	100
1	92	94	96	98	100	100
2	78	81	84	87	90	90
3	58	61	64	67	70	70
4	38	41	44	47	50	50
5	16	20	24	27	30	30
6	6	7	8	9	10	10

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\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table II (if the Collateral Obligation is a Senior Unsecured Loan and has no S&P CRR, but other senior secured corporate debt of the same obligor has a S&P CRR): U.S. and Canada Recovery Rates of Corporate Senior Unsecured Debt If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B & CCC
<b>Senior secured recovery ratings</b>				(%)		
1+	53	55	57	59	61	61
1	48	50	52	54	56	56
2	43	45	47	49	51	51
3	39	41	43	45	47	47
4	22	24	26	28	30	30
5	8	10	12	14	15	15
6	4	4	4	4	4	4

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\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table III (if the Collateral Obligation is a subordinated obligation and has no S&P CRR, but other senior secured corporate debt of the same obligor has a S&P CRR): U.S. and Canada Recovery Rates of Corporate Subordinated Debt If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B &amp; CCC</b>
<b>Senior secured recovery ratings</b>						
			(%)			
1+	25	25	25	25	25	25
1	22	22	22	22	22	22
2	20	20	20	20	20	20
3	20	20	20	20	20	20
4	10	10	10	10	10	10
5	5	5	5	5	5	5
6	2	2	2	2	2	2

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\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table IV (if none of Table I, Table II or Table III is applicable): S&P's U.S. and Canada Tiered Corporate Recovery Rates (for Collateral Obligations that do not have a S&P CRR)**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B &amp; CCC</b>
<b>U.S. loan recovery rates</b>						
			(%)			
Senior Secured Loans	56	60	64	67	70	70
Senior Secured Loan that is a Cov-Lite Loan	51	54	57	60	63	63
Senior Unsecured Loans and Second Lien Loans	40	42	44	46	48	48
Subordinated Lien Loans	22	22	22	22	22	22
Senior Secured Bonds	48	49	50	51	52	52
Unsecured Bonds	38	41	42	44	45	45
Subordinated Bonds	19	19	19	19	19	19

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\* As of the Closing Date.

\*\* The Aggregate Principal Balance of all Second Lien Loans without a S&P CRR (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that, in the aggregate, represent up to 15% of the Maximum Amount will have the S&P Recovery Rate specified for Second Lien Loans in the table above. The Aggregate Principal Balance of all Second Lien Loans without a S&P CRR (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) in excess of 15% of the Maximum Amount will have the S&P Recovery Rate specified for Subordinated Lien Loans in the table above.

**Table V (if the Structured Finance Obligation is the senior-most tranche of securities issued by the issuer of, or obligor on, such Structured Finance Obligation): S&P's Ratings of Collateral Obligations at the Date of Issuance**

Recovery Rate by S&P's Rating of Class of Notes on the Applicable Measurement Date							
	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC
AAA	80.00%	85.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%
AA	70.00%	75.00%	85.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%
A	60.00%	65.00%	75.00%	85.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%
BBB	50.00%	55.00%	65.00%	75.00%	85.00%	85.00%	85.00%
BB	45.00%	50.00%	55.00%	65.00%	75.00%	75.00%	75.00%
B	25.00%	30.00%	50.00%	55.00%	65.00%	65.00%	50.00%
CCC	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	5.00%	10.00%	10.00%

**Table VI (if the Structured Finance Obligation is not the senior-most tranche of securities issued by the issuer of, or obligor on, such Structured Finance Obligation): S&P's Ratings of Collateral Obligations at the Date of Issuance**

Recovery Rate by S&P's Rating of Class of Notes on the Applicable Measurement Date							
	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC
AAA	65.00%	70.00%	80.00%	85.00%	85.00%	85.00%	85.00%
AA	55.00%	65.00%	75.00%	80.00%	80.00%	80.00%	80.00%
A	40.00%	45.00%	55.00%	65.00%	80.00%	80.00%	80.00%
BBB	30.00%	35.00%	40.00%	45.00%	50.00%	60.00%	70.00%
BB	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%	25.00%	35.00%	40.00%	50.00%
B	2.50%	5.00%	5.00%	10.00%	10.00%	20.00%	25.00%
CCC	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	2.50%	5.00%	5.00%

**Table VII: European Tiered Corporate Recovery Rates (By Asset Class and CDO Liability Rating)**

<b>CDO liability rating</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B and CCC</b>
<b>Senior secured loans (%)</b>						
Group A	68	73	78	81	85	85
Group B	56	60	64	67	70	70
Group C	48	51	55	57	60	60
<b>Senior Secured Loan that is a Cov-Lite Loan (%)</b>						
Group A	61	66	70	73	77	77
Group B	50	54	58	60	63	63
Group C	43	46	49	52	54	54
<b>Mezz./second-lien/senior unsecured loans (%)</b>						
Group A	45	47	50	52	54	54
Group B	40	42	44	46	48	48
Group C	35	37	39	40	42	42
<b>Subordinated loans (%)</b>						
Group A	20	20	20	20	20	20
Group B	20	20	20	20	20	20
Group C	17	17	17	17	17	17
<b>Senior secured bonds (%)</b>						
Group A	60	61	62	63	64	64
Group B	48	49	50	51	52	52
Group C	43	44	45	46	47	47
<b>Senior unsecured bonds (%)</b>						
Group A	40	42	44	46	48	48
Group B	38	41	42	44	45	45
Group C	32	35	36	38	39	40
<b>Subordinated bonds (%)</b>						
Group A	18	18	18	18	18	18
Group B	18	18	18	18	18	18
Group C	15	15	15	15	15	15

Group A: U.K., Ireland, Finland, Denmark, South Africa, Australia, New Zealand and The Netherlands.

Group B: Belgium, Germany, Austria, Spain, Portugal, Luxembourg, Switzerland, Sweden, Norway, Hong Kong and Singapore. Group C: France, Italy, Greece, Japan, Korea and Taiwan.

**Table VIII: Group A Europe and Asia Recovery If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

<b>CDO liability rating</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B and CCC</b>
<b>Senior unsecured debt</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	65	68	71	73	76	76
1	57	60	63	65	68	68
2	50	53	55	57	59	59
3	42	45	47	49	51	51
4	18	18	18	18	18	18
5	8	8	8	8	8	8
6	4	4	4	4	4	4
<b>Subordinated debt</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	22	22	22	22	22	22
1	20	20	20	20	20	20
2	18	18	18	18	18	18
3	18	18	18	18	18	18
4	9	9	9	9	9	9
5	4	4	4	4	4	4
6	2	2	2	2	2	2

**Table IX: Group B Europe and Asia Recovery If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

<b>CDO liability rating</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B and CCC</b>
<b>Senior unsecured debt</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	53	55	57	59	61	61
1	48	50	52	54	56	56
2	43	45	47	49	51	51
3	39	41	43	45	47	47
4	18	18	18	18	18	18
5	8	8	8	8	8	8
6	4	4	4	4	4	4
<b>Subordinated debt</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	22	22	22	22	22	22
1	20	20	20	20	20	20
2	18	18	18	18	18	18
3	18	18	18	18	18	18
4	9	9	9	9	9	9
5	4	4	4	4	4	4
6	2	2	2	2	2	2



**Table X: Group C Europe and Asia Recovery If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

<b>CDO liability rating</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B and CCC</b>
<b>Senior unsecured debt</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	45	46	48	49	51	51
1	41	43	44	46	47	48
2	37	39	41	42	44	44
3	33	36	37	39	40	41
4	16	16	16	16	16	16
5	6	6	6	6	6	6
6	3	3	3	3	3	3
<b>Subordinated debt</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	20	20	20	20	20	20
1	17	17	17	17	17	17
2	15	15	15	15	15	15
3	15	15	15	15	15	15
4	8	8	8	8	8	8
5	3	3	3	3	3	3
6	1	1	1	1	1	1

In all recovery rate tables above, Note rating categories below "AAA" include rating subcategories (for example, the "AA" column also applies to Notes rated "AA+" and "AA-").

**"S&P Unrated DIP Loan"** means a DIP Loan acquired by the Issuer that does not have a rating assigned by S&P and for which the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P (as specified in the definition of "DIP Loan").

**"S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate"**: means, as of any Measurement Date, the number, expressed as a percentage, obtained for each Class of Notes according to the rating assigned to such Class of Notes by Standard & Poor's by:

- (a) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective S&P Recovery Rate;
- (b) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations; and
- (c) rounding up to the first decimal place.

**"Sale Proceeds"** means all proceeds received (including any proceeds received with respect to any associated interest rate swap or security providing fixed annuity payments ) with respect to Collateral Obligations or other Pledged Obligations as a result of their sales or other dispositions less any reasonable expenses expended by the Servicer or the Trustee in connection with the sales or other dispositions, which shall be paid from such proceeds notwithstanding their characterization otherwise as Administrative Expenses.

**"Second Lien Loan"** means a Loan that (i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinated in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan other than a Senior Secured Loan with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such Loan, (ii) is secured by a valid

second priority perfected security interest in or lien on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan, which specified collateral does not consist solely of common stock or shares issued by the obligor or any of its Affiliates or intangible assets and (iii) if such Loan does not have an S&P Recovery Rate assigned as part of a credit estimate, so long as such credit estimate is in effect, then, solely for purposes of determining the S&P Recovery Rate for such Loan, in the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment (with such judgment being made in good faith by the Servicer at the time of such Loan's purchase), the specified collateral for such Loan has a value not less than the outstanding Principal Amount of all debt senior to such Loan *plus* the S&P Recovery Rate applicable to such Loan, which value may be derived from, among other things, the enterprise value of the issuer of such Loans (*provided* that the provisions of the clause (iii) may be amended at any time, subject to Rating Confirmation from S&P, or in order to conform to S&P's then-current criteria for such Loans).

**"Secondary Risk Counterparty"** means any Participating Institution and any Securities Lending Counterparty.

**"Secondary Risk Table"** means, with respect to Moody's the table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty	Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
Aaa or below	20.0%	20.0%
Aa1 or below	10.0%	10.0%
Aa2 or below	10.0%	10.0%
Aa3 or below	10.0%	10.0%
A1 or below	5.0%	10.0%
A2 or below	0.0%	0.0%

With respect to S&P, the table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty	Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
AAA	20.0%	20.0%
AA+/AA/AA-	10.0%	20.0%
A+	5.0%	20.0%
A or below	0.0%	0.0%

If any Secondary Risk Counterparty's long-term senior unsecured debt rating or short-term rating is on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P, then for the purposes of the table above, its rating by the Rating Agency putting its rating on credit watch shall be one rating notch lower for that Rating Agency.

**"Secured High-Yield Bond"** means a High-Yield Bond that is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**"Secured Loan"** means a Loan that is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**"Secured Parties"** means the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer, each Synthetic Security Counterparty and each Hedge Counterparty (and the Collateral Administrator and Preference Shares Paying Agent to the extent of Administrative Expenses payable to such parties as provided in the Indenture).

**"Securities Lending Collateral"** means Cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the relevant Securities Lending Agreement and that are pledged by a Securities Lending Counterparty as collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement.

**"Selected Collateral Quality Tests"** means Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Life Test (after taking into consideration any applicable Maturity Extension), the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the Diversity Test.

**"Senior Secured High-Yield Bond"** means a Secured High-Yield Bond that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a first priority security interest in collateral that in the opinion of the Servicer has value at least equal to the amount of the High-Yield Bond.

**"Senior Secured Loan"** means a Secured Loan that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a valid and perfected first priority security interest in collateral that in the opinion of the Servicer has value at least equal to the amount of the Loan *plus* the aggregate outstanding balances of all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by the same collateral and that is not a DIP Loan.

**"Senior Unsecured High-Yield Bond"** means a High-Yield Bond that is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**"Senior Unsecured Loan"** means a Loan that is not a Senior Secured Loan and is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**"Servicing Agreement"** means the Servicing Agreement, to be dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Servicer, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Spread Excess"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose (i) numerator is the product of (A) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date over the Minimum Weighted Average Spread specified in the applicable row of the Ratings Matrix and (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date and (ii) denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date. In computing the Spread Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Fixed Rate Excess were equal to zero.

**"Structured Finance Obligation"** means any obligation (other than the Notes or any other security or obligation issued by the Issuer):

(i) secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool of receivables or other assets of U.S. obligors, or obligors organized or incorporated in Moody's Group I Countries, Moody's Group II Countries, Moody's Group III Countries or Tax Advantaged Jurisdictions, including portfolio credit default swaps and collateralized debt obligations, but excludes:

- (A) asset-backed securities;
- (B) collateralized debt obligations backed by Emerging Market Securities;
- (C) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by asset-backed securities;
- (D) market value collateralized debt obligations;
- (E) securities backed by "future flow" receivables;
- (F) securities backed by "trust preferred securities;"
- (G) net interest margin securitizations;
- (H) collateralized debt obligations a significant portion of which are backed by bonds; and
- (I) obligations secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool of receivables or other assets where the obligors with respect to such receivables or other assets are non-corporate credit risks; *provided* that, for the avoidance of doubt, collateralized loan obligations shall not be excluded by this clause (I);

(ii) that has an S&P Rating;

(iii) that has a rating and a Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate assigned by Moody's; and

(iv) whose ownership or disposition (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) by the Issuer will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

In connection with the purchase of a Structured Finance Obligation, the Servicer shall obtain from Moody's the applicable Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate.

For purposes of the Diversity Test, multiple Structured Finance Obligations from CDOs serviced by the same Servicer or multiple Structured Finance Obligations issued by the same master trust will be considered to be obligations of one issuer.

**"Subordinated High-Yield Bond"** means a Secured High-Yield Bond secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**"Subordinated Lien Loan"** means a Secured Loan (other than a Second Lien Loan) secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**"Subscription Agreement"** means a subscription agreement dated between a purchaser and the Issuer entered into on or before the Closing Date for the subscription of a specified number of Preference Shares.

**"Super Majority"** means, with respect to any Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**"Synthetic Security"** means any swap transaction (including any LCDS Security), structured bond, credit linked note, or other derivative financial instrument providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a debt instrument (but excluding any such instrument relating directly to a basket or portfolio of debt instruments) or an index or indices (such as the "SAMI" index published by Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC) in connection with a basket or portfolio of debt instruments or other similar instruments entered into by the Issuer with a Synthetic Security Counterparty that has in the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment, equivalent expected loss characteristics (those characteristics, "**credit risk**") to those of the related Reference Obligations (taking account of those considerations as they relate to the Synthetic Security Counterparty), if (i) it is either a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied, and (ii) the Reference Obligations thereof have a Market Value equal to at least 85% of the Principal Balance of the Reference Obligation at the time the Synthetic Security is entered into.

Each Synthetic Security that is a credit default swap the Reference Obligation of which are Loans shall require each such Reference Obligation to be denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars.

The maturity, interest rate, and other non-credit characteristics of a Synthetic Security may be different from the Reference Obligations to which the credit risk of the Synthetic Security relates.

No Synthetic Security shall result in the Issuer being a "buyer" of credit protection.

The term Synthetic Security shall not include any Structured Finance Obligation or any Participation, but the Reference Obligation of a Synthetic Security may be a Structured Finance Obligation.

Each Synthetic Security Agreement shall contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those contained in the Indenture.

The ownership or disposition of any Synthetic Security (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) must not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

Unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" under any proposed Synthetic Security must not provide that its transfer to the Issuer is subject to obtaining any consents and must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation and satisfy the Concentration Limitations under the Indenture, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event" and if the Reference

Obligation of the Synthetic Security is a Senior Secured Loan then the "deliverable obligation" under the Synthetic Security must also be a Senior Secured Loan.

No Synthetic Security may provide for any event other than bankruptcy or a failure to pay as a "credit event."

No Synthetic Security may provide for termination by the Synthetic Security Counterparty at any time (i) after a declaration of acceleration of Maturity of the Notes has been made upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, unless such declaration and its consequences may no longer be rescinded and annulled in accordance with the Indenture and liquidation of the Collateral has begun or (ii) upon an Optional Redemption, unless the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date has passed and no notice of withdrawal has been issued.

For purposes of the Coverage Tests and the Retention Overcollateralization Test, unless the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied in respect of any proposed alternative treatment, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in the Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in the Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligation.

With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, for purposes of: (i) calculating compliance with the Diversity Test, the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test, and the Concentration Limitations (other than limits relating to payment characteristics and except for clauses (17) and (17)(a) of the definition of "Concentration Limitations"), and all related definitions, and (ii) any other provision or definition of the Indenture involving a determination with respect to a Reference Obligation, the characteristics of such Reference Obligations shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each such Reference Obligation in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation. In addition, each Reference Obligation under such Synthetic Security shall be assigned a Moody's Rating Factor equal to the sum of the Moody's Rating Factor of (i) the related Reference Obligor, (ii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty of such Synthetic Security and (iii) the Synthetic Security Collateral of such Synthetic Security. In addition, the Moody's Priority Category Rate in respect of a Synthetic Security referencing multiple Reference Obligations pursuant to this paragraph shall be the Moody's Priority Category Rate as assigned by Moody's to each Reference Obligation underlying such Synthetic Security. For the avoidance of doubt, Reference Obligations upon which a Synthetic Security is based as described in this paragraph must meet the definition of "Collateral Obligation" to the extent provided in this definition.

If the Rating Condition must be satisfied to execute the purchase of any Synthetic Security, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall give each applicable Rating Agency not less than five days' prior notice of the purchase of or entry into any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Agreement"** means the documentation governing any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Collateral"** means, respect to any Synthetic Security, amounts posted to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account by the Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its obligations under the Synthetic Security, including (i) all Eligible Investments that mature no later than the Stated Maturity or (ii) floating rate credit card securitizations that are rated "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P (that mature no later than the Stated Maturity), in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account that are purchased with Synthetic Security Collateral; *provided* that any amounts described in clause (ii) above shall be hedged by a guaranteed investment contract or a total return swap which shall be subject to Rating Confirmation by S&P.

**"Synthetic Security Counterparty"** means any entity required to make payments on a Synthetic Security to the extent that a reference obligor makes payments on a related Reference Obligation.

**"Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction"** means one of the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the Netherlands Antilles or the tax advantaged jurisdiction of the Channel Islands, or such other jurisdiction that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto; *provided* that any Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction that is the jurisdiction of organization of an obligor of a Collateral Obligation other than obligors that are special purpose vehicles or issuers of Structured Finance Obligations shall have a Moody's foreign currency rating of at least "Aa2" and a S&P foreign currency rating of at least "AA-".

**"Tax Event"** means an event that occurs if:

(i) (A) one or more Collateral Obligations that were not subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them have become subject to withholding tax (other than a withholding tax on fees received with respect to a letter of credit) or the rate of withholding has increased on one or more Collateral Obligations that were subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them and (B) in any Due Period, the aggregate of the payments subject to withholding tax on new withholding tax obligations and the increase in payments subject to withholding tax on increased rate withholding tax obligations, in each case to the extent not "grossed-up" (on an after-tax basis) by the related obligor, represent 5% or more of Interest Proceeds for the Due Period;

(ii) taxes, fees, assessments, or other similar charges are imposed on the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in an aggregate amount in any twelve-month period in excess of U.S.\$2,000,000, other than any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax with respect to any payment owing in respect of any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation; or

(iii) if the Issuer is at the time treated as a pass-through entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes, investors in the Preference Shares who are non-U.S. Persons not otherwise subject to U.S. net income tax are or have become subject to U.S. net income taxation in respect of income of the Issuer in an amount in excess of 10% of the net income of the Issuer in any twelve-month period.

**"Treasury Regulations"** means regulations, including proposed or temporary regulations, promulgated under the Code. References herein to specific provisions of proposed or temporary

regulations shall include analogous provisions of final Treasury Regulations or other successor Treasury Regulations.

"UCC" means the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the State of New York, and as amended from time to time.

"**Underlying Instrument**" means the loan agreement, indenture, credit agreement, or other agreement pursuant to which a Pledged Obligation has been issued or created and each other agreement that governs the terms of or secures the obligations represented by the Pledged Obligation or of which the holders of the Pledged Obligation are the beneficiaries.

"**Unfunded Amount**" means, with respect to any Revolving Loan or any Delayed Drawdown Loan at any time, the excess, if any, of (a) the commitment amount thereof over (b) the Funded Amount thereof.

"**Unfunded Synthetic Security**" means a Synthetic Security with respect to which the Issuer has an obligation to make payments after it acquires such Synthetic Security.

"**Unscheduled Principal Payments**" means any principal payments received with respect to a Collateral Obligation as a result of optional redemptions, exchange offers, tender offers, other payments or prepayments made at the option of the issuer thereof or that are otherwise not scheduled to be made thereunder.

"**Valuation Report**" means the accounting report, determined as of the close of business on each Determination Date, rendered in accordance with the terms of the Indenture.

"**Voting Record Date**" means, with respect to any vote by the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares in relation to the appointment or removal of the directors of the Issuer, (a) 15 days prior to the relevant shareholders meeting or (b) in the case of any vote by the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares exercised by written consent resolution, the date of such resolution.

"**Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon**" means, as of any Measurement Date, the rate obtained by:

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Fixed Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum rate at which it pays interest (other than, with respect to Collateral Obligations that are not PIK Securities, any interest that is not required to be paid in Cash and may be deferred), using only the effective after-tax interest rate determined by the Servicer on any Fixed Rate Obligation after taking into account any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction and any gross-up paid by the obligor);

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);

(iii) dividing the sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations that are Fixed Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, adding to the sum the amount of any Spread Excess as of the Measurement Date, but only to the extent required to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test.



**"Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test"** is a test that is satisfied if, as of any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 7.5%.

**"Weighted Average Life"** means, as of any Measurement Date the number obtained by (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying (A) the Average Life at that time of each Collateral Obligation by (B) the Principal Balance at that time of the Collateral Obligation and (ii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance at that time of all Collateral Obligations.

**"Weighted Average Life Test"** is a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the greater of (a) the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and November 1, 2017 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date and (b) 3.0 years.

**"Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor"** means the summation of the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation (excluding Eligible Investments) by its respective Moody's Rating Factor, dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) and rounding the result up to the nearest whole number.

**"Weighted Average Rating Factor Test"** means a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of the Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor *plus* (y) the Moody's Weighted Average Rating Factor Recovery Rate Modifier.

**"Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test"** is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody's Weighted Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 43.6%.

**"Weighted Average Spread"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate obtained by:

(i) *multiplying* the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Floating Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum contract spread at which it pays interest (which (w) for PIK Securities for which interest has been deferred or capitalized, will be deemed to be zero, (x) for Collateral Obligations that would be PIK Securities but for the proviso in the definition thereof, will be deemed to be equal to the effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest applicable thereto and (y) for any Revolving Loan or Delayed Draw Loan, will be the per annum contract spread for the Funded Amount thereof and the rate of the commitment fee and such other fees payable to the Issuer for any Unfunded Amount thereof, and (z) for any Synthetic Letter of Credit, will be the all-in rate (including any fees (net of any taxes required to be paid by the Issuer under the Indenture) payable to the Issuer by the underlying obligor) *minus* the applicable LIBOR, calculated net of any taxes that could be, or have been, withheld in respect thereof (unless the payer is obligated to indemnify the Issuer for any taxes so withheld), determined with respect to any Floating Rate Obligation that does not bear interest based on a London interbank offered rate, by expressing the current interest rate on the Floating Rate Obligation as a spread above a three month London interbank offered rate calculated in a manner consistent with the calculation of LIBOR;

(ii) *summing* the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);

(iii) *dividing* that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to pass the Weighted Average Spread Test, adding to that sum the amount of Fixed Rate Excess as of the Measurement Date.

**"Weighted Average Spread Test"** is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread *minus* (y) the Moody's Weighted Average Spread Recovery Modifier.

**"Workout Assets"** means a Loan, High-Yield Bond, or Qualified Equity Security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation that the Issuer does not advance any funds to purchase that does not qualify as a Collateral Obligation.

**"Written-Down Obligation"** means as of any date of determination, any Structured Finance Obligation as to which the Issuer or the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, has been notified by the issuer of the Structured Finance Obligation that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Structured Finance Obligation and all other Structured Finance Obligations secured by the same pool of collateral that rank *pari passu* with or senior in priority of payment to the Structured Finance Obligation exceeds the aggregate principal balance (including reserved interest or other amounts available for overcollateralization) of all collateral securing the Structured Finance Obligation and such other *pari passu* and senior Structured Finance Obligations (excluding defaulted collateral).

**"Zero-Coupon Security"** means a security that, at the time of determination, does not make periodic payments of interest. A Zero-Coupon Security shall not include a security that is a PIK Security.

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Issuer,

**STRATFORD CLO LLC**

Co-Issuer,

**STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY**

Trustee

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**INDENTURE**

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**THIS INDENTURE**, dated as of October 25, 2007, among

- (a) **STRATFORD CLO LTD.** (the *Issuer*),
- (b) **STRATFORD CLO LLC** (the *Co-Issuer*) and
- (c) **STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY**, as trustee (together with its permitted successors, the *Trustee*).

#### **PRELIMINARY STATEMENT**

The Co-Issuers are duly authorized to execute and deliver this Indenture to provide for the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes, in each case issuable as provided in this Indenture. All covenants and agreements made by the Co-Issuers in this Indenture are for the benefit and security of the Secured Parties. The Co-Issuers are entering into this Indenture, and the Trustee is accepting the trusts created by this Indenture, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged.

All things necessary to make this Indenture a valid agreement of the Co-Issuers in accordance with the agreement's terms have been done.

#### **GRANTING CLAUSES**

The Issuer Grants to the Trustee, for the benefit and security of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer, each Synthetic Security Counterparty and each Hedge Counterparty (and the Collateral Administrator and Preference Shares Paying Agent to the extent of Administrative Expenses payable to such parties as provided hereunder) (collectively, the *Secured Parties*), all of its right, title, and interest in, to, and under, in each case, whether now owned or existing, or hereafter acquired or arising:

- (a) the Collateral Obligations (listed, as of the Closing Date, in Schedule 1 to this Indenture and listed from time to time on such Schedule 1 as such Schedule 1 may be modified, amended and revised subsequent to the Closing Date by the Issuer) and all Workout Assets, including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles or supporting obligations (each as defined in the UCC) relating thereto, all payments made or to be made thereon or with respect thereto, and all Collateral Obligations and Workout Assets including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles (as defined in the UCC) relating thereto, which are delivered or credited to the Trustee, or for which a Security Entitlement is delivered or credited to the Trustee or which are credited to one or more of the Issuer Accounts on or after the Closing Date and all payments made or to be made thereon or with respect thereto;
- (b) the Custodial Account, the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Synthetic Security Reserve Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed

Drawdown Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Securities Lending Account (collectively, the **Issuer Accounts**), Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, and all income from funds in the Issuer Accounts;

- (c) the Issuer's rights with respect to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and any Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account (and, together with the Issuer Accounts, the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account and the Preference Shares Distribution Account, the **Accounts**);
- (d) the Issuer's rights under the Servicing Agreement, the Securities Lending Agreements, the Hedge Agreements and the Collateral Administration Agreement to the extent of any rights of the Issuer therein;
- (e) all Cash or money delivered to the Trustee (or its bailee);
- (f) all securities, investments, investment property, instruments, money, general intangibles, chattel paper and agreements of any nature in which the Issuer has an interest (except for money, securities and investments in the Issuer's bank account in the Cayman Islands), including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles or supporting obligations (each as defined in the UCC) relating thereto; and
- (g) all proceeds with respect to the foregoing;

(all of the property and assets described in foregoing clauses (a) through (g), but excluding the Excluded Property, the **Collateral**). Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Collateral shall not include any Excluded Property.

Except to the extent otherwise provided in this Indenture, the Issuer does hereby constitute and irrevocably appoint the Trustee the true and lawful attorney of the Issuer, with full power (in the name of the Issuer or otherwise), to exercise all rights of the Issuer with respect to the Collateral held for the benefit and security of the Secured Parties and to ask, require, demand, receive, settle, compromise, compound and give acquittance for any and all moneys and claims for moneys due and to become due under or arising out of any of the Collateral held for the benefit and security of the Secured Parties, to endorse any checks or other instruments or orders in connection therewith and to file any claims or take any action or institute any proceedings which the Trustee may deem to be necessary or advisable in the premises. The power of attorney granted pursuant to this Indenture and all authority hereby conferred are granted and conferred solely to protect the Trustee's interest in the Collateral held for the benefit and security of the Secured Parties and shall not impose any duty upon the Trustee to exercise any power. This power of attorney shall be irrevocable as one coupled with an interest prior to the payment in full of all the obligations secured hereby.

Except to the extent otherwise provided in this Indenture, this Indenture shall constitute a security agreement under the laws of the State of New York applicable to agreements made and to be performed therein. Upon the occurrence of any Event of Default with respect to the Notes, and in addition to any other rights available under this Indenture or any other instruments included in the Collateral held for the benefit and security of the Secured Parties or otherwise available at law or in equity, the Trustee shall have all rights and remedies of a secured party on default under the laws of the State of New York and other applicable law to enforce the assignments and security interests contained herein and, in addition, shall have the right, subject to compliance with any mandatory requirements of applicable law, to sell or apply any rights and other interests assigned or pledged hereby in accordance with the terms hereof at public or private sale.

These Grants are not intended to and do not transfer any liability under the Collateral, which liabilities shall remain the sole obligation of the Issuer. These Grants are made, however, in trust as separate trusts, to secure the Notes. Except as provided in Section 13 and the priorities set forth in the Priority of Payments, the Notes are secured by the first grant equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction between any Note and any other Note because of difference in time of issuance or otherwise. The Grants are made to secure, in accordance with the priorities in the Priority of Payments and Section 13:

- (i) the payment of all amounts due on the Notes equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction between any Note and any other Note because of difference in time of issuance or otherwise, in accordance with their terms;
- (ii) the payment of all other sums payable under this Indenture (including Administrative Expenses payable to the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, but other than amounts payable in respect of the Preference Shares);
- (iii) the payment of sums payable to any Hedge Counterparty under a Hedge Agreement;
- (iv) the payment of sums payable to the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement; and
- (v) compliance with this Indenture;

(collectively, the *Secured Obligations*), all as provided in this Indenture.

The Trustee acknowledges the Grants, accepts the trusts under this Indenture in accordance with this Indenture, and agrees to perform its duties in this Indenture in accordance with the provisions hereof.

## **1. DEFINITIONS**

### **1.1 Definitions**

Except as otherwise specified in this Indenture or as the context may otherwise require, the following terms have the respective meanings provided below for all purposes of this Indenture.

***A/B Exchange:*** An exchange of one security (the ***A Security***) for another security (the ***B Security***) of the same issuer or issuers, which security shall have substantially identical terms to the A Security except that one or more transfer restrictions applicable to the A Security are inapplicable to the B Security.

***Accounts:*** The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

***Accountants' Certificate:*** An agreed upon procedures report of a firm of Independent certified public accountants of international reputation appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8(a), which may be the firm of Independent accountants that performs certain accounting services for the Issuer or the Servicer.

***Accrued Interest On Sale:*** Interest accrued on a Collateral Obligation at the time of sale or other disposition to the extent paid to the Issuer as part of the sale or other disposition price of the Collateral Obligation after deduction of any amount representing Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal of the Collateral Obligation.

***Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal:*** (i) interest accrued on or purchased with a Collateral Obligation as part of the price paid by the Issuer to acquire the Collateral Obligation less any amount of Interest Proceeds (applied as Interest Proceeds) applied by the Issuer to acquire the accrued interest at the time of purchase and (ii) interest accrued on a Loan that constitutes part of the price paid by the Issuer to repay loans made by the Pre-Closing Participant to finance the Issuer's pre-closing acquisition of such Loan.

***Act:*** The meaning specified in Section 14.2.

***Administration Agreement:*** The Administration Agreement, between the Issuer and the Administrator, providing for the administrative functions of the Issuer, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

***Administrative Expense Cap:*** An amount on any Payment Date equal to the excess of:

- (a) the sum of 0.04% of the Maximum Amount on the related Determination Date plus U.S.\$150,000, **over**
- (b) the sum of the amounts paid for Administrative Expenses in the twelve months preceding the current Payment Date.

***Administrative Expenses:*** Amounts due or accrued representing

- (i) tax preparation, filing, and registration fees or expenses and any other filing and registration fees owed by the Co-Issuers (including all filing, registration, and annual return fees payable to the Cayman Islands government and registered office fees);
- (ii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Trustee (including all amounts under Section 6.8), the Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Collateral Administrator;
- (iii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Co-Issuers and of accountants, agents, and counsel for either of the Co-Issuers;
- (iv) fees and expenses of the Rating Agencies in connection with any rating of the Collateral (requested by the Issuer or the Servicer) or the Notes owed by either Co-Issuer (including fees and expenses for ongoing surveillance, credit estimates and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies);
- (v) expenses and indemnities (but not Servicing Fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;
- (vi) fees, indemnities and expenses for third-party loan pricing services and accountants; and
- (vii) amounts due (including indemnities) to any other Person (except the Servicing Fees) if specifically provided for in this Indenture, including fees or expenses in connection with any Securities Lending Agreement.

**Administrator:** Maples Finance Limited.

**Affected Class:** Any Class of Notes that, as a result of the occurrence of a Tax Event, has received, or will receive less than the aggregate amount of principal and interest that would otherwise have been payable to such Class on the Payment Date related to the Due Period with respect to which such Tax Event occurs.

**Affiliate or Affiliated:** With respect to a Person,

- (i) any other Person who, directly or indirectly, is in control of, or controlled by, or is under common control with, the Person; or
- (ii) any other Person who is a director, officer, or employee (A) of the Person, (B) of any subsidiary or parent company of the Person or (C) of any Person described in clause (i) above.

For the purposes of this definition, control of a Person shall mean the power, direct or indirect,

- (A) to vote more than 50% of the securities having ordinary voting power for the election of directors of the Person; or
- (B) to direct the corporate management and corporate policies of the Person whether by contract or otherwise (this does not include the Servicing Agreement unless it is amended expressly to provide those services).

For the purpose of this definition, the Administrator and its Affiliates are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Co-Issuers and the Co-Issuers are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Administrator, or any of their Affiliates.

**Agent Members:** Members of, or participants in, a Depository.

**Aggregate Outstanding Amount:** When used with respect to any of the Notes as of any date, the aggregate outstanding principal amount of such Notes on that date. When used with respect to the Preference Shares as of any date, means the number of such Preference Shares Outstanding on such date.

Except as otherwise provided herein:

- (a) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1 Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;
- (b) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-2 Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;
- (c) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;
- (d) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes at any time shall include all Class C Deferred Interest attributed thereto;
- (e) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes at any time shall include all Class D Deferred Interest attributed thereto; and
- (f) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class E Notes at any time shall include all Class E Deferred Interest attributed thereto.

**Aggregate Principal Balance:** When used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Principal Balances of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Principal Balance means the sum of the Principal Balances of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

***Aggregate Purchase Price Amount:*** When used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Purchase Price Amount means the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

***Allocable Principal Balance:*** With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, the portion of the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security that is allocable to each Reference Obligation comprising such index or indices based upon allocating the Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security among such Reference Obligations in the same proportion as each Reference Obligation bears to the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security.

***Amendment Buy-Out:*** The meaning specified in Section 9.6(a).

***Amendment Buy-Out Option:*** The meaning specified in Section 9.6(a).

***Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price:*** The purchase price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Securities purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, **plus** accrued and unpaid interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest, if any) as of the date of purchase payable to the Non-Consenting Holder (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), **plus** any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment, and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since the Closing Date (and any amounts payable, if any, to the Non-Consenting Holder on the next succeeding Payment Date) would cause such Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); **provided, however**, that in any Amendment Buy-Out from and after the date on which the Non-Consenting Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price for such Preference Shares shall be zero.

***Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser:*** The Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); **provided** that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Securities from Holders pursuant to Section 9.6, "Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchasers or any of their Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; **provided, however**, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.



***Applicable Issuers or Applicable Issuer:*** With respect to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes, each of the Co-Issuers. With respect to Preference Shares, the Issuer only.

***Applicable Note Interest Rate:*** With respect to the Notes of any Class, the Note Interest Rate with respect to such Class.

***Applicable Percentage:*** The lesser of the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation and the S&P Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation and the current S&P Rating of the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes.

***Approved Pricing Service:*** Loan Pricing Corporation, Mark-It-Partners, Inc. or any other nationally recognized loan pricing service approved in writing by S&P.

***Assigned Moody's Rating:*** The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

***Authenticating Agent:*** With respect to the Notes, the Trustee or the person designated by the Trustee to authenticate the Notes on behalf of the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.15.

***Authorized Officer:*** With respect to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, any Officer or agent who is authorized to act for the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as applicable, in matters relating to, and binding on, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. With respect to the Servicer, any managing member, Officer, manager, employee, partner or agent of the Servicer who is authorized to act for the Servicer in matters relating to, and binding on, the Servicer with respect to the subject matter of the request, certificate, or order in question. With respect to the Trustee or any other bank or trust company acting as trustee of an express trust or as custodian, a Trust Officer. Each party may receive and accept a certification of the authority of any other party as conclusive evidence of the authority of any Person to act, and the certification may be considered as in full force and effect until receipt by the other party of written notice to the contrary.

***Average Life:*** As of any Measurement Date with respect to any Collateral Obligation (other than any Defaulted Collateral Obligation), the quotient obtained by dividing:

- (i) the sum of the products of:
  - (A) the number of years (rounded to the nearest hundredth) from the Measurement Date to the respective dates of each successive scheduled payment of principal of the Collateral Obligation, and
  - (B) the respective amounts of the successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation, by
- (ii) the sum of all successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation.



**Bank:** State Street Bank and Trust Company, in its individual capacity and not as Trustee.

**Bankruptcy Code:** The U.S. Bankruptcy Code, Title 11 of the United States Code.

**Bankruptcy Law:** The Bankruptcy Code, Part V of the Companies Law (2007 Revision) of the Cayman Islands and the Bankruptcy Law (1997 Revision) of the Cayman Islands.

**Beneficial Owner:** Any person owning an interest in a Global Note as reflected on the books of the Depository or on the books of an Agent Member or on the books of an indirect participant for which an Agent Member acts as agent.

**Benefit Plan Investor:** Any (i) "employee benefit plan" within the meaning of Section 3(3) of ERISA, that is subject to Title I of ERISA, (ii) any "plan" described by Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code, or an entity whose underlying assets include the assets of any plan described in (i) or (ii) by reason of such plan's investment in such entity.

**Board Resolution:** With respect to the Issuer, a resolution of the board of directors of the Issuer and, with respect to the Co-Issuer, a resolution of the board of directors of the Co-Issuer.

**Bridge Loan:** Any Loan that is incurred in connection with a merger, acquisition, consolidation, sale of all or substantially all of the assets of an entity, restructuring or similar transaction, which debt obligation by its terms is required to be repaid within one year of the incurrence thereof with proceeds from additional borrowings or other refinancings (other than any additional borrowing or refinancing if one or more financial institutions will have provided the issuer of or obligor on such debt obligation with a binding written commitment to provide the same).

**Business Day:** A day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in New York City and any other city in which the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee is located and, in the case of the final payment of principal of any Note, the place of presentation of the Note designated by the Trustee; **provided, however,** that, for purposes of determining LIBOR, "Business Day" must also be a day on which dealings in deposits in Dollars are transacted in the London interbank market. To the extent action is required of the Irish Paying Agent, Dublin, Ireland shall be considered in determining "Business Day" for purposes of determining when actions by the Irish Paying Agent are required.

**Calculation Agent:** The meaning specified in Section 7.16.

**Caa1 Collateral Obligations:** The Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have a Moody's Rating below "B3".

**Cash:** Such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for payment of all public and private debts.

**CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations:** The Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have (i) a Moody's Rating below "B3" and/or (ii) an S&P Rating below "B-".

**CCC+/Caa1 Excess Market Value Percentage:** The percentage equivalent of a fraction, the numerator of which is the aggregate Market Value of CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations (in order of ascending Market Value Percentage, starting with the CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation with the lowest Market Value Percentage) with an aggregate Principal Balance equal to Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations and the denominator of which is an amount equal to the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations.

**Certificate of Authentication:** The meaning specified in Section 2.1.

**Certificated Preference Share:** The meaning set forth in the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

**Certificated Security (UCC):** The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(4) of the UCC.

**Class:** Each of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes, the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares.

**Class A S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test:** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate with respect to the Class A Notes is greater than or equal to S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate with respect to the Class A Notes.

**Class A Notes:** The Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes.

**Class A Overcollateralization Ratio** is the ratio calculated by **dividing:**

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator; **by**
- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes.

**Class A-1 Notes:** The Class A-1 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**Class A-2 Notes:** The Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

***Class A/B Coverage Tests:*** The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes.

***Class B Notes:*** The Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

***Class B S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test:*** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate with respect to the Class B Notes is greater than or equal to S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate with respect to the Class B Notes.

***Class C Coverage Tests:*** The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class C Notes.

***Class C Deferred Interest:*** Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C Notes.

***Class C Notes:*** The Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

***Class C S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test:*** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate with respect to the Class C Notes is greater than or equal to S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate with respect to the Class C Notes.

***Class D Coverage Tests:*** The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class D Notes.

***Class D Deferred Interest:*** Deferred Interest with respect to the Class D Notes.

***Class D Notes:*** The Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

***Class D S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test:*** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate with respect to the Class D Notes is greater than or equal to S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate with respect to the Class D Notes.

***Class E Coverage Test:*** The Overcollateralization Test as applied with respect to the Class E Notes.

***Class E Deferred Interest:*** Deferred Interest with respect to the Class E Notes.

***Class E Notes:*** The Class E Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

***Class E S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test:*** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate with respect to the Class E Notes is greater than or equal to S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate with respect to the Class E Notes.

***Class I Preference Shares:*** The Class I Preference Shares issued by the Issuer pursuant to the Issuer Charter and the resolutions of the Issuer's board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

***Class II Preference Share Percentage:*** For any Payment Date, a fraction, expressed as a percentage, the numerator of which is the number of Outstanding Class II Preference Shares on such Payment Date and the denominator of which is the total number of Outstanding Preference Shares on such Payment Date.

***Class II Preference Share Portion:*** For any Payment Date, 100% **minus** the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date.

***Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment:*** For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Senior Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

***Class II Preference Share Special Payment:*** Collectively, the Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment, the Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment and the Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment.

***Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account:*** The Securities Account established pursuant to Section 10.3(i).

***Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment:*** For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Subordinated Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

***Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment:*** For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

***Class II Preference Shares:*** The Class II Preference Shares issued by the Issuer pursuant to the Issuer Charter and the resolutions of the Issuer's board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

***Class Scenario Loss Rate:*** With respect to any Class of Notes rated by S&P, an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as

applicable, consistent with S&P's rating of the Class of Notes on the Closing Date, determined by application of the S&P CDO Monitor.

**Clearing Agency:** An organization registered as a "clearing agency" pursuant to Section 17A of the Exchange Act.

**Clearing Corporation:** The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(5) of the UCC.

**Clearing Corporation Security:** A "security" (as defined in Section 8-102(a)(15) of the UCC) that (i) is a debt or equity security and (ii) is in the custody of or maintained on the books of a Clearing Corporation or its nominee.

**Clearstream:** Clearstream Banking, société anonyme, a corporation organized under the laws of the Duchy of Luxembourg.

**Closing Date:** October 25, 2007.

**Closing Date Expense Account:** The Securities Account established pursuant to Section 10.3(g).

**Co-Issuer:** The person named as such on the first page of this Indenture.

**Co-Issuers:** The Issuer and the Co-Issuer.

**Code:** The United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

**Collateral:** The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**Collateral Administration Agreement:** The agreement dated as of the Closing Date among the Issuer, the Servicer, and the Collateral Administrator, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**Collateral Administrator:** State Street Bank and Trust Company, in its capacity as collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement.

**Collateral Assignment of Hedge Agreements:** With respect to each Hedge Agreement, the assignment of all of the Issuer's interest in the Hedge Agreement to the Trustee and acknowledged by the Hedge Counterparty to create a security interest therein in favor of the Trustee.

**Collateral Obligation:** Any obligation or security that, when the Issuer commits to purchase (or otherwise acquire) the obligation or security, is a Loan, High-Yield Bond, Structured Finance Obligation, or Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that is a Loan, a Structured Finance Obligation or High-Yield Bond that, in either case, is (or in the case of a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation is):

- (1) denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars and is not convertible by its obligor into any other currency;
- (2) an obligation of an obligor Domiciled in an Eligible Country;
- (3) an obligation that is eligible by its terms to be assigned to the Issuer and pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral;
- (4) not an exchangeable or convertible security;
- (5) not an equity security or a warrant or a component of an equity security or a security that has a component that is an equity security (other than for avoidance of doubt, a pass-through trust certificate in a trust holding Collateral Obligations that is rated by a nationally recognized credit rating agency);
- (6) not an obligation or security that has been called for redemption and is not an obligation or security that is the subject of an Offer other than a Permitted Offer or an exchange offer in which a security that is not registered under the Securities Act is exchanged for (i) a security that has substantially identical terms (except for transfer restrictions) but is registered under the Securities Act or (ii) a security that would otherwise qualify for purchase under Section 12;
- (7) an obligation that (a) has a Moody's Rating (including any estimated or confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored) and (b) has an S&P Rating (including any confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored), which S&P Rating does not have a "p", "pi", "q", "r" or "t" subscript unless S&P otherwise authorizes in writing;
- (8) an obligation that is not a lease, unless it is a Finance Lease and the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;
- (9) (a) an obligation that is not a Current-Pay Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation and (b) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that has a Moody's Rating of "Caal" or lower or an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower, an obligation for which the Servicer has certified in writing that such Collateral Obligation is not a Credit Risk Obligation;
- (10) an obligation that (unless it is a High-Yield Bond) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness for borrowed money of the applicable issuer; **provided** that for the avoidance of doubt, this clause shall not prohibit the inclusion as Collateral Obligations of Subordinated Lien Loans or Second Lien Loans;
- (11) an obligation that (i) (unless it is a PIK Security) bears simple interest payable in cash no less frequently than annually at a fixed or floating rate that is paid on a periodic basis on an unleveraged basis and, in the case of a floating rate,

- computed on a benchmark interest rate plus or minus a spread, if any (which may vary under the terms of the obligation) and (ii) provides for a fixed amount of principal payable in cash according to a fixed schedule (which may include optional call dates) or at maturity (or a fixed notional amount in the case of Synthetic Securities);
- (12) an obligation the payment or repayment of the principal, if any, of which is not an amount determined by reference to any formula or index or subject to any contingency under the terms thereof;
  - (13) an obligation the portion of which to be acquired (or, in the case of a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation) does not represent, directly or indirectly, more than a 25% interest in the obligation;
  - (14) not an obligation with a maturity later than two years after the Stated Maturity of the Notes;
  - (15) an obligation or security all payments on and proceeds of will be received by the Issuer free and clear of withholding tax, other than (A) withholding tax as to which the obligor or issuer must make additional payments so that the net amount received by the Issuer after satisfaction of such tax is the amount due to the Issuer before the imposition of any withholding tax, (B) withholding taxes on commitment or facility fees associated with Collateral Obligations constituting Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans or (C) withholding taxes on fees received on Synthetic Letters of Credit;
  - (16) not an Unfunded Synthetic Security or a Loan that would require the Issuer after its purchase of the Loan to advance any funds to the related borrower or permit the borrower to require that any future advances be made unless
    - (A) it is a Revolving Loan, Delayed Drawdown Loan or Synthetic Security, and
    - (B) after giving effect to the acquisition thereof, (1) the sum of all amounts standing to the credit of the Synthetic Security Reserve Account, the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account and any cash collateral posted with (or for the benefit of) any Synthetic Security Counterparty equals or exceeds (2) the maximum amount of any advances that may be required of the Issuer under the Underlying Instruments in respect of all Collateral Obligations that are Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans and any amounts that could become payable by the Issuer in respect of all Collateral Obligations that are Unfunded Synthetic Securities;
  - (17) if such obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation, such obligation:



- (A) has been assigned a rating by both Moody's and S&P;
  - (B) has a Moody's Rating of "Ba3" or higher and an S&P Rating of "BB-" or higher; and
  - (C) has not been placed on the watch list for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P;
- (18) not a Loan that is an obligation of a debtor in possession or a trustee for a debtor in an insolvency proceeding other than a DIP Loan;
  - (19) with respect to an obligation that provides for the payment of interest at a floating rate, an obligation for which such floating rate is determined by reference to the U.S. Dollar prime rate or other base rate, London interbank offered rate or similar interbank offered rate, commercial deposit rate or any other index that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto;
  - (20) in the case of a Synthetic Security, the Synthetic Security is one for which the counterparty or issuer, as the case may be, has a short-term debt rating by Moody's of at least "P-1" or long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" and, if rated "A3" by Moody's, such rating is not on watch for downgrade, and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "AA-" or a short-term debt rating by S&P of at least "A-1+";
  - (21) not an obligation that constitutes Margin Stock;
  - (22) not a Zero-Coupon Security;
  - (23) not an obligation that is currently deferring interest or paying interest "in kind" or otherwise has an interest "in kind" balance outstanding at the time of purchase, which interest is otherwise payable in cash;
  - (24) not a security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer;
  - (25) not an obligation the interest payments of which are scheduled to decrease (although interest payments may decrease due to unscheduled events such as a decrease of the index relating to a Floating Rate Obligation, the change from a default rate of interest to a non-default rate of interest or an improvement in the obligor's financial condition);
  - (26) not an obligation that will cause the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the pool of assets to be required to be registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act;
  - (27) in the case of a Loan that involves Synthetic Letters of Credit, (a) the Issuer prefunds its obligations with respect to such Synthetic Letter of Credit by



- delivering cash to the relevant issuing bank, agent bank or deposit bank and has no further obligation to make payments with respect to such Synthetic Letter of Credit, (b) the Issuer is not subject to market value risk with respect to any prefunded amounts and (c) the issuing bank, agent bank or deposit bank in respect of such Synthetic Letters of Credit has a short-term rating of at least "A-1" by S&P (or, if such issuing bank has no short-term rating from S&P, a long-term rating of at least "A+" by S&P);
- (28) an obligation that is Registered;
  - (29) an obligation the acquisition (including the manner of acquisition), ownership, enforcement and disposition of which will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for U.S. federal income tax purposes or otherwise to be subject to tax on a net income basis in any jurisdiction outside the Issuer's jurisdiction of incorporation;
  - (30) in the case of an obligation that is a Synthetic Letter of Credit, the acquisition of such Synthetic Letter of Credit does not cause the Issuer to have entered into more than ten currently outstanding Synthetic Letters of Credit; and
  - (31) in the case of an obligation that is a Synthetic Letter of Credit, (a) such obligation is acquired in connection with the acquisition of another obligation issued under the same credit facility that is not a Synthetic Letter of Credit (a ***Related Obligation***), (b) the amount of the Synthetic Letter of Credit acquired by the Issuer is not more than one-half of the amount of the Related Obligation acquired by the Issuer and (c) the proportionate amount of the Synthetic Letter of Credit acquired by the Issuer is not greater than the proportionate amount of such Related Obligation acquired under the relevant credit facility.

In the case of a Synthetic Security, in addition to the related Reference Obligation meeting the requirements above, the Synthetic Security itself must also meet the requirements of paragraphs (15), (28) and (29); **provided** that a Synthetic Security shall be deemed to meet the requirements of paragraph (28) if the terms of such Synthetic Security require prior written consent of the Issuer or counterparty, as relevant, prior to a transfer.

Pursuant to the definition of "Synthetic Security," unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event."

***Collateral Quality Tests:*** The Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Life Test, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the S&P Minimum Weighted Average

Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the S&P CDO Monitor Test.

**Collection Account:** The Securities Account established pursuant to Section 10.2(a).

**Concentration Limitations:** The limit set forth below with respect to a particular type of Relevant Obligation (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) as a percentage of the Maximum Amount:

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(1) Senior Secured Loans and Eligible Investments	$\geq 87.5\%$
(2) unsecured Loans	$\leq 3.0\%$
(3) Subordinated Lien Loans and Second Lien Loans	$\leq 10.0\%$
(4) Revolving Loans and the unfunded portion of Delayed Drawdown Loan	$\leq 12.0\%$
(5) DIP Loans	$\leq 5.0\%$
(a) except that with a Rating Confirmation, DIP Loans may constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 7.5\%$
(b) S&P Unrated DIP Loans	$\leq 2.5\%$
(6) PIK Securities	$\leq 3.0\%$
(7) High-Yield Bonds	$\leq 7.5\%$
(8) Structured Finance Obligations	$\leq 10.0\%$
(a) except that Structured Finance Obligations serviced by the Servicer may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 2.5\%$

(b)	except that a single issuer together with any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) of a Structured Finance Obligation may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 3.0\%$
(c)	except that Structured Finance Obligations that are (i) collateralized loan obligations primarily backed by other collateralized loan obligations and (ii) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by one or more credit default swaps (i.e. "Synthetics CDOs") may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column.	$\leq 3.0\%$
(9)	Structured Finance Obligations that are collateralized loan obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(10)	obligors Domiciled other than in the United States and Canada	$\leq 20.0\%$
(a)	<b>provided</b> that obligors Domiciled other than in the United States may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 25.0\%$
(11)	obligors Domiciled in Canada or any single Moody's Group I Country	$\leq 10.0\%$
(12)	obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group II Country	$\leq 5.0\%$
(13)	obligors Domiciled in all Moody's Group II Countries in the aggregate	$\leq 10.0\%$
(14)	obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group III Country	$\leq 2.5\%$
(15)	obligors Domiciled in all Moody's Group III Countries in the aggregate	$\leq 5.0\%$
(16)	obligors organized in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction	$\leq 10.0\%$

(a)	except that obligors deriving a substantial portion of revenue from countries other than the United States or Canada may constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$
(17)	same S&P Industry Classification	$\leq 8.0\%$
(a)	except that Relevant Obligations belonging to two S&P Industry Classifications may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 12.0\%$
(18)	single obligor and any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties)	$\leq 1.5\%$
(a)	except that up to each of five individual obligors and any of their Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties and any obligor under a DIP Loan) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 2.5\%$
(19)	Fixed Rate Obligations	$\leq 5.0\%$
(a)	except that with a Rating Confirmation from Moody's, Fixed Rate Obligations may constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 7.5\%$
(20)	Pay interest less frequently than quarterly but no less frequently than semi-annually	$\leq 7.0\%$
(21)	Pay interest less frequently than semi-annually but no less frequently than annually	$\leq 3.0\%$
(22)	LCDS Securities or other Synthetic Securities	$\leq 15.0\%$
(a)	except that Synthetic Securities that provide for settlement other than by physical delivery may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$

(b)	except that Synthetic Securities that reference a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$
(23)	Participations ( <b>provided</b> that no Relevant Obligations may be a Participation in a Participation)	$\leq 20.0\%$
(24)	Relevant Obligations of which are (i) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements and (ii) Participations, in the aggregate may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 20.0\%$
(25)	Relevant Obligations of which are (i) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements and (ii) Participations, entered into with, or issued by, a single Secondary Risk Counterparty	$\leq$ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Individual Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating*
(26)	Relevant Obligations of which are (i) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements and (ii) Participations, entered into with, or issued by, all Secondary Risk Counterparties	$\leq$ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Aggregate Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating**
(27)	Deep Discount Obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(28)	CCC+/Caa1 and below Collateral Obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(29)	Long-Dated Collateral Obligations	$\leq 2.0\%$

(30)	Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements	$\leq 15.0\%$
(31)	Collateral Obligations providing for interest at a non-London interbank offered rate (excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, the Unfunded Amount of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan)	$\leq 5.0\%$
(32)	Collateral Obligations that are Loans that are part of a credit facility with a total global aggregate commitment amount of less than U.S.\$100,000,000	$\leq 10.0\%$
(33)	if such Relevant Obligations are Bridge Loans, (A) such obligations are rated by Moody's and S&P and (B) such Relevant Obligations may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 5.0\%$
(34)	Relevant Obligations of which are Synthetic Letters of Credit	$\leq 5.0\%$

\* Applicable long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P of such Secondary Risk Counterparty (using the limit for the lower of such ratings if different).

\*\* Long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P at or below a level specified in the Secondary Risk Table (using the lower of such ratings for a Secondary Risk Counterparty, if different).

Subject to the rights in certain circumstances of the Servicer to determine otherwise as set out in Section 1.2(h), solely for the purpose of determining whether the Concentration Limitations are met, Eligible Investments and Cash will be treated as Senior Secured Loans and Floating Rate Obligations.

**Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares:** With respect to any Payment Date, a Holder of Preference Shares that has consented by delivering an irrevocable written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent to a distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds on such Payment Date.

**Controlling Class:** The Class A-1 Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class A-1 Notes are Outstanding; then the Class A-2 Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class A-2 Notes are Outstanding; then the Class B Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class B Notes are Outstanding; then the Class C Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class C Notes are Outstanding; then the Class D Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class D Notes are Outstanding; and then the Class E Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class E Notes are Outstanding.

**Corporate Trust Office:** The corporate trust office of the Trustee at which the Trustee performs its duties under this Indenture, currently having an address of 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code: EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116, telecopy no. (617) 351-4358, Attention: CDO Services Group, or any other address the Trustee designates from time to time by notice to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Issuer, and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Trustee.

**Cov-lite loan:** A Loan that (i) does not contain any financial covenants or (ii) requires the borrower to comply with an Incurrence Covenant, but not with a Maintenance Covenant.

**Coverage Tests:** Collectively, the Class A/B Coverage Tests, the Class C Coverage Tests, the Class D Coverage Tests and the Class E Coverage Test applicable as of any Measurement Date.

**Credit Improved Obligation:** Any Collateral Obligation that (a) is sold pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange or (b) in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has improved in credit quality; **provided** that, in forming such judgment, a reduction in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment; and **provided, further**, that, if a Credit Rating Event is in effect, such Collateral Obligation will be considered a Credit Improved Obligation only if in addition to the above:

- (i) the Collateral Obligation has been upgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing positive credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under this Indenture;
- (ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced a reduction in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Servicer (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's);
- (iii) (x) in the case of a Floating Rate Obligation, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has increased by at least 1.00% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Servicer (**provided** that this subclause (iii)(x) will be deemed satisfied if Market Value increases to 1.01%), or (y) in the case of a Fixed Rate Obligation, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a



percentage more positive than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, plus 3.00%, over the same period; or

- (iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Improved Obligation if:

- (i) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Improved Obligation; or
- (ii) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Improved Obligation.

***Credit Rating Event:*** An event that is in effect if the rating by Moody's:

- (i) of the Class A-1 Notes or the Class A-2 Notes has been withdrawn or is one or more rating sub-categories below its Initial Rating; or
- (ii) of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes has been withdrawn or is two or more rating sub-categories below its respective Initial Rating.

For the purposes of this definition, any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not be effective if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody's has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes, or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

***Credit Risk Obligation:*** Any Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has significantly declined in credit quality and has a significant risk, with a lapse of time, of becoming a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; **provided** that in forming such judgment, an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment.

So long as a Credit Rating Event is in effect, no Collateral Obligation shall be eligible to be a Credit Risk Obligation unless in addition to the above, as of the date of determination:

- (i) the Collateral Obligation has been downgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing negative credit implications by either of the



Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under this Indenture;

- (ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced an increase in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) less than or equal to 2.00% , (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 2.00%, but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Servicer (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's);
- (iii) (x) in the case of a Floating Rate Obligation, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has decreased by at least 2.50% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Servicer, and (y) in the case of a Fixed Rate Obligation, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more negative, or less positive, as the case may be, than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, less 3.00%, over the same period; or
- (iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation set forth in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) above, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Risk Obligation if:

- (a) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Risk Obligation; or
- (b) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Risk Obligation.

***Current-Pay Obligation:*** A Collateral Obligation as to which:

- (i) an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to its obligor or as to which its obligor is rated "D" or "SD" by S&P or its obligor has previously been rated "CCC-" by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;

- (ii) no default as to the payment of principal or interest with respect to the Collateral Obligation is then continuing and the Servicer has delivered to the Trustee an Officer's certificate to the effect that the Servicer expects that the obligor will make payments on the Collateral Obligation as they become due;
- (iii) (A) the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is at least "Caa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation has been withdrawn but was at least "Caa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) immediately prior to the withdrawal and the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 80% of its Principal Balance, (B) the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is "Caa1" (and on credit watch with negative implications) or "Caa2" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) and the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 85% of its Principal Balance or (C) the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is less than "Caa2" but at least "Caa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) and the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 90% of its Principal Balance;
- (iv) if an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to the obligor of the Collateral Obligation, a bankruptcy court has authorized all payments of principal and interest payable on the Collateral Obligation; and
- (v) the Servicer has designated in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligation as a Current-Pay Obligation.

If the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations exceeds 5% of the Maximum Amount, all or a portion of one or more Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance equal to the amount of the excess shall not be Current-Pay Obligations (and will therefore be Defaulted Collateral Obligations). The Servicer shall designate in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligations that shall not be Current-Pay Obligations pursuant to the preceding sentence as the Collateral Obligations (or portions thereof) that have the lowest Market Value on any applicable date of determination.

The Servicer may, with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, by notice to the Issuer, the Trustee, and the Collateral Administrator, change the definition of "Current-Pay Obligation" or how Current-Pay Obligations are treated in this Indenture, subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency.

**Current Portfolio:** At any time, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations, Principal Proceeds held as Cash on deposit in the Collection Account, and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account that exists before the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or before the acquisition of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

***Custodial Account:*** The custodial account established in the name of the Trustee pursuant to Section 10.3(a).

***Custodian:*** The meaning specified in the first sentence of Section 3.2(a) with respect to items of collateral referred to therein, and each entity with which an Account is maintained, as the context may require, each of which shall be a Securities Intermediary.

***Deep Discount Obligation:*** Until the average Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation, as determined daily for any period of 30 consecutive days, equals or exceeds 90%, any Collateral Obligation acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 85% of its Principal Balance. For such purpose, the Market Value Percentage of a Collateral Obligation on a day that is not a Business Day shall be deemed to be the Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation on the immediately preceding Business Day.

***Default:*** Any Event of Default or any occurrence that, with notice or the lapse of time or both, would become an Event of Default.

***Defaulted Collateral Obligation:*** Any Collateral Obligation or other obligation included in the Collateral:

- (i) as to which there has occurred and is continuing a default with respect to the payment of interest or principal with respect to such Collateral Obligation, without giving effect to any applicable grace period or waiver (**provided** that if the Servicer certifies to the Trustee in writing that such default is for non-credit related reasons, the related Collateral Obligation shall not be treated as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under this clause (i) unless and until such default has continued for a period of three (3) consecutive business days), but, in any case, only until such default has been cured;
- (ii) the maturity of all or a portion of the principal amount of such Collateral Obligation has been accelerated as a consequence of a default (other than any payment default) under the instruments evidencing or relating to such Collateral Obligation; unless such default or event of default has been fully cured or waived and is no longer continuing and such acceleration has been rescinded;
- (iii) with respect to which there has been effected any distressed exchange or other debt restructuring where the obligor has offered the Holders thereof a new security or instrument or package of securities or instruments that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, either (x) amounts to a diminished financial obligation or (y) has the sole purpose of enabling the obligor to avoid a default;
- (iv) (1) that is *pari passu* with or subordinated to other indebtedness for borrowed money owing by its obligor (***Other Indebtedness***) and (2) the obligor has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (without regard to any applicable grace or notice period and without regard to any waiver of the default) on the

- Other Indebtedness, unless, in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid on the Other Indebtedness and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
- (v) (other than a Current-Pay Obligation or a DIP Loan) as to which:
    - (A) an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to its obligor,
    - (B) the obligation is rated "D", "SD", "C" or "CC" by S&P or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn, or has previously been rated "CCC-" or lower by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn; or,
    - (C) as to which the obligation is rated "D" or "LD" by Moody's or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn;
  - (vi) if the Collateral Obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation, it is rated "CC" or below by S&P, or it was rated "CC" or below by S&P but the rating has since been withdrawn, or it is rated "Ca" or below by Moody's, or it was rated "C" or below by Moody's but the rating has since been withdrawn;
  - (vii) that is a Participation that would, if the underlying Loan were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (v) above or with respect to which the Participating Institution has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Participation;
  - (viii) that is a Synthetic Security referencing a Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above or with respect to which the Synthetic Security Counterparty has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Synthetic Security; **provided, however**, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time: (x) a determination whether the Reference Obligations upon which such Synthetic Security is based would, if such Reference Obligations were Collateral Obligations, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each of the Reference Obligations on which such Synthetic Security is based in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation and (y) the "Defaulted Collateral Obligation" for purposes of this clause (viii) shall be limited to the Allocable Principal Balance of each Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above;

- (ix) that is a Written-Down Obligation;
- (x) that is a DIP Loan as to which an order has been entered converting the debtor's chapter 11 case to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code; or
- (xi) that is declared to be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation by the Servicer.

Any Collateral Obligation that is classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall cease to be so classified if the Collateral Obligation, at any date thereafter,

- (1) would not otherwise be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this definition; and
- (2) otherwise meets the Eligibility Criteria as of that date.

If any portion of a Collateral Obligation has a maturity later than one year after the Stated Maturity of the Notes due to a change in the payment schedule of the Collateral Obligation occurring after its acquisition by the Issuer, that portion of the Collateral Obligation shall be considered a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

***Defaulted Hedge Termination Payment:*** Any termination payment required to be made by the Issuer to a Hedge Counterparty pursuant to a Hedge Agreement upon a termination of the Hedge Agreement in respect of which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

***Defaulted Interest:*** Any interest payable in respect of any Class of Notes that is not punctually paid or duly provided for on the applicable Payment Date or at Stated Maturity.

***Defaulted Synthetic Termination Payment:*** With respect to any Synthetic Security, any termination payment (and any accrued interest thereon) payable by the Issuer pursuant to the Underlying Instruments relating thereto as a result of an "Event of Default" or "Termination Event" (other than an "Illegality" or "Tax Event") as to which the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty is the "Defaulting Party" or the sole "Affected Party" (each as defined in such Underlying Instruments). For the avoidance of doubt, any unpaid amounts owed to such Synthetic Security Counterparty independent of any such termination payment shall be deemed not to be part of the Defaulted Synthetic Termination Payment

***Defaulted Interest Charge:*** To the extent lawful, interest on any Defaulted Interest at the Default Interest Rate.

***Default Interest Rate:*** With respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate equal to the Note Interest Rate payable on the Notes of the Class.

***Deferred Interest:*** With respect to any specified Class of Deferred Interest Notes, the meaning specified in Section 2.8(a).

**Deferred Interest Notes:** The Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**Deferred Interest PIK Security** means a PIK Security (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) (or any Synthetic Security the Reference Obligation of which is a PIK Security) with respect to which payment of interest either in whole or in part has been deferred or capitalized in an amount equal to the amount of interest payable in respect of the lesser of (a) two payment periods and (b) a period of one years, but only until such time as payment of interest on such PIK Security (or any Synthetic Security the Reference Obligation of which is a PIK Security) has resumed and all capitalized and deferred interest has been paid in accordance with the terms of the Underlying Instruments.

**Deficiency Amount:** The meaning specified in Section 16.3(a).

**Deficiency Notice Date:** The meaning specified in Section 16.3(a).

**Definitive Notes:** The meaning specified in Section 2.11(b).

**Delayed Drawdown Loan:** A Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that

- (i) requires the Issuer to make one or more future advances to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments,
- (ii) specifies a maximum amount that can be borrowed on one or more fixed borrowing dates, and
- (iii) does not permit the re-borrowing of any amount previously repaid.

A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Delayed Drawdown Loan for so long as its unused commitment amount is greater than zero and for purposes of the Concentration Limitations only unfunded portions will count as Delayed Drawdown Loans.

**Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account:** The Securities Account established pursuant to Section 10.3(b).

**Deliver or Delivered or Delivery:** The taking of the following steps:

- (i) in the case of each Certificated Security (UCC) (other than a Clearing Corporation Security) or Instrument,
  - (A) causing the delivery of such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument to the Custodian registered in the name of the Custodian or endorsed, by an effective endorsement, to the Custodian or in blank,



- (B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument is credited to the applicable Account, and
  - (C) causing the Custodian to maintain continuous possession of such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument;
- (ii) in the case of each Uncertificated Security (other than a Clearing Corporation Security),
  - (A) causing such Uncertificated Security to be continuously registered on the books of the issuer thereof to the Custodian, and
  - (B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Uncertificated Security is credited to the applicable Account;
- (iii) in the case of each Clearing Corporation Security,
  - (A) causing the relevant Clearing Corporation to credit such Clearing Corporation Security to the Securities Account of the Custodian, and
  - (B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate by on its books and records that such Clearing Corporation Security is credited to the applicable Account;
- (iv) in the case of each security issued or guaranteed by the United States of America or agency or instrumentality thereof and that is maintained in book-entry records of a Federal Reserve Bank (**FRB**) (each such security, a **Government Security**),
  - (A) causing the creation of a Security Entitlement to such Government Security by the credit of such Government Security to the Securities Account of the Custodian at such FRB, and
  - (B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Government Security is credited to the applicable Account;
- (v) in the case of each Security Entitlement not governed by clauses (i) through (iv) above,
  - (A) causing a Securities Intermediary (x) to indicate on its books and records that the underlying Financial Asset has been credited to be the Custodian's Securities Account, (y) to receive a Financial Asset from a Securities Intermediary or acquiring the underlying Financial Asset for a Securities Intermediary, and in either case, accepting it for credit to the Custodian's Securities Account or (z) to become obligated under other law, regulation or rule to credit the underlying Financial Asset to a Security Intermediary's Securities Account,

- (B) causing such Securities Intermediary to make entries on its books and records continuously identifying such Security Entitlement as belonging to the Custodian and continuously indicating on its books and records that such Security Entitlement is credited to the Custodian's Securities Account, and
  - (C) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Security Entitlement (or all rights and property of the Custodian representing such Security Entitlement) is credited to the applicable Account;
- (vi) in the case of cash or money,
  - (A) causing the delivery of such cash or money to the Custodian,
  - (B) causing the Custodian to treat such cash or money as a Financial Asset maintained by such Custodian for credit to the applicable Account in accordance with the provisions of Article 8 of the UCC, and
  - (C) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such cash or money is credited to the applicable Account; and
- (vii) in the case of each general intangible (including any Participation in which the Participation is not represented by an Instrument),
  - (A) causing the filing of a Financing Statement in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of the District of Columbia, Washington, DC, and
  - (B) causing the registration of this Indenture in the Register of Mortgages of the Issuer at the Issuer's registered office in the Cayman Islands;

in addition, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will obtain any and all consents required by the underlying agreements relating to any such general intangibles for the transfer of ownership to the Issuer and the pledge hereunder (except to the extent that the requirement for such consent is rendered ineffective under Section 9-406 of the UCC).

In addition to the methods specified above, any Collateral may be delivered in accordance with any other method specified in an Opinion of Counsel delivered to the Trustee as sufficient to establish a first priority perfected security (subject to customary exceptions and qualifications) interest therein.

***Depository*** or ***DTC***: The Depository Trust Company and its nominees.

***Determination Date***: The last day of any Due Period.

***DIP Loan***: Any Loan:



- (i) that has a rating assigned by Moody's (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by Moody's, the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by Moody's within five Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer) and a rating assigned by S&P;
- (ii) that is an obligation of a debtor in possession as described in Section 1107 of the Bankruptcy Code or a trustee (if appointment of a trustee has been ordered pursuant to Section 1104 of the Bankruptcy Code) (a ***Debtor***) organized under the laws of the United States or any state of the United States; and
- (iii) the terms of which have been approved by a final order of the United States Bankruptcy Court, United States District Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, the enforceability of which order is not subject to any pending contested matter or proceeding (as those terms are defined in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure) and which order provides that:
  - (A) the Loan is secured by liens on the Debtor's otherwise unencumbered assets pursuant to Section 364(c)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code;
  - (B) the Loan is secured by liens of equal or senior priority on property of the Debtor's estate that is otherwise subject to a lien pursuant to Section 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code;
  - (C) the Loan is fully secured (based on a current valuation or appraisal report) by junior liens on the Debtor's encumbered assets; or
  - (D) if any portion of the Loan is unsecured, the repayment of the Loan retains priority over all other administrative expenses pursuant to Section 364(c)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code (and in the case of this clause (D), before the acquisition of the Loan, the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency).

***Discount Note:*** Any Note that is treated as being issued with "original issue discount" within the meaning of Section 1271 through 1275 of the Code and Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.

***Diversity Score:*** A single number that indicates collateral concentration in terms of both issuer and industry concentration, calculated as set forth in Schedule 4 to this Indenture.

***Diversity Test:*** A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Diversity Score equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score. For the purposes of calculating the Diversity Test, any Structured Finance Obligation that is (i) a collateralized loan obligation, (ii) any Synthetic Security with respect to which the Reference Obligation is a collateralized loan obligation or (iii) any Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the

principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time will be disregarded.

***Dollar or U.S. Dollar or U.S.\$:*** A dollar or other equivalent unit in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for all debts, public and private.

***Domicile or Domiciled:*** With respect to each Collateral Obligation, the jurisdiction of incorporation, organization or creation of the related obligor.

***Due Date:*** Each date on which any payment is due on a Pledged Obligation in accordance with its terms.

***Due Period:*** With respect to any Payment Date, for all purposes other than payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements, the period from the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date, from the Closing Date) up to but excluding the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the Payment Date (or in the case of the final Payment Date or any Payment Date that is a Redemption Date, through the Business Day before the Payment Date and for payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements the period from the day after the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date from the Closing Date) through the Payment Date).

***Eligibility Criteria:*** The meaning specified in Section 12.2(b).

***Eligible Collateral:*** (i) Cash, (ii) U.S. Treasury obligations, (iii) U.S. agency obligations or (iv) commercial paper obligations rated at least "P-1" by Moody's (and not on watch for downgrade) and "A-1+" by S&P, in each case to collateralize fully on a mark-to-market basis the obligations of a Hedge Counterparty under the related Hedge Agreement.

***Eligible Country:*** (a) The United States, Canada and any country classified by Moody's as a Moody's Group I Country, Moody's Group II Country or Moody's Group III Country and, in each case, has an S&P foreign currency rating of at least "AA" and a Moody's foreign currency rating of at least "Aa2" and (b) any country that is in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction.

***Eligible Equity Security:*** An equity security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation by, or on behalf of, the Issuer that (i) is publicly traded on an Established Securities Market or (ii) the Market Value of which is higher than the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation with respect to which such equity security has been acquired by the Issuer.

***Eligible Investments:*** Any Dollar-denominated obligation or asset that, when it is pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee under this Indenture, is one or more of the following:

- (a) Cash;
- (b) direct Registered obligations of, and Registered obligations the timely payment of principal and interest on which is fully and expressly guaranteed by, the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States the obligations of which are expressly backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, which in each case are not zero coupon securities;
- (c) demand and time deposits in, trust accounts, certificates of deposit payable within 91 days of issuance of, bankers' acceptances payable within 91 days of issuance issued by, or Federal funds sold by any depository institution or trust company incorporated under the laws of the United States or any state thereof and subject to supervision and examination by Federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or the debt obligations of such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company), at the time of such acquisition or contractual commitment providing for such acquisition and throughout the term thereof, have a credit rating of not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade, or "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P in the case of commercial paper and short-term debt obligations; **provided** that in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than "AA-" by S&P and "Aa3" by Moody's and a short-term rating of "A-1+" by S&P and "P-1" by Moody's, and if so rated, is not on watch for downgrade;
- (d) commercial paper or other short-term obligations with a maturity of not more than 183 days from the date of issuance and having at the time of such acquisition a credit rating of at least "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P; **provided** that, in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's and "AA-" by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;
- (e) unleveraged repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clause (b) above entered into with a U.S. federal or state depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (c) above or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose long-term credit rating is not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade or whose short-term credit rating is "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof; **provided** that, if such repurchase obligation has a maturity of longer than 91 days, the counterparty thereto must also have at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

- (f) any money market fund or similar vehicle having at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof a credit rating of "MR1+" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P; including any fund for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee serves as an investment adviser, administrator, shareholder servicing agent, custodian or subcustodian, notwithstanding that (A) the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses from such funds for services rendered (**provided** that such charges, fees and expenses are on terms consistent with terms negotiated at arm's length) and (B) the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses for services rendered, pursuant to this Indenture;
- (g) a guaranteed reinvestment agreement from a bank (if treated as a deposit by such bank), insurance company or other corporation or entity organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (if treated as debt by such insurance company or other corporation or entity), providing for periodic payments thereunder during each Due Period; **provided** that each such agreement provides that it is terminable by the purchaser, without premium or penalty, in the event that the rating assigned to such agreement by either Moody's or S&P is at any time lower than the then current ratings assigned to the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes; **provided, further**, that, at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof, the issuer of such agreement has a senior unsecured long-term debt rating, issuer rating or counterparty rating of at least "Aaa" by Moody's, a short-term debt rating of "P-1" by Moody's (and not on watch for downgrade), a short-term debt rating of at least "A-1+" by S&P and a long-term debt rating of at least "AAA" by S&P (and not on watch for downgrade); and
- (h) such other obligations or assets for which Rating Confirmation has been received;

and, in each case, with a stated maturity (giving effect to any applicable grace period) no later than the Business Day before the Payment Date next succeeding the date of acquisition.

Eligible Investments on deposit in the Synthetic Security Reserve Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account must have a stated maturity no later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase.

Eligible Investments may not include:

- (1) any interest-only security, any security purchased at a price in excess of 100% of its par value, any mortgage-backed security or any security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer;
- (2) any security whose rating assigned by S&P includes the subscript "r", "t", "p", "pi" or "q";

- (3) any floating rate security whose interest rate is inversely or otherwise not proportionately related to an interest rate index or is calculated as other than the sum of an interest rate index plus a spread (which spread may be zero);
- (4) any security that is subject to an exchange or tender offer; or
- (5) any security that has payments subject to foreign or United States withholding tax or the acquisition (including the manner of acquisition), ownership, enforcement or disposition of which will subject the Issuer to net income tax in any jurisdiction outside the Issuer's jurisdiction of incorporation.

Eligible Investments may include Eligible Investments for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee is the issuer or depository institution or provides services. Eligible Investments may not include obligations principally secured by real property.

***Emerging Market Security:*** A security or obligation issued by a sovereign or non-sovereign issuer located in a country (excluding the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Netherlands Antilles, and the Channel Islands):

- (i) that is in Latin America, Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, or the Caribbean, or
- (ii) the long-term foreign currency debt obligations of which are rated below "Aa2" or "Aa2" and on credit watch with negative implications by Moody's or the foreign currency issuer credit rating of which is below "AA" by S&P.

***Entitlement Holder:*** the meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(7) of the UCC.

***ERISA:*** The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended.

***Established Securities Market:*** Any national securities exchange registered under Section 6 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or exempted from registration because of the limited volume of transaction; any foreign securities exchange that, under the laws of the jurisdiction where it is organized, satisfies regulatory requirements that are analogous to the regulatory requirements imposed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; any regional or local exchange; and any interdealer quotation system that regularly disseminates firm buy or sell quotations by identified brokers or dealers, by electronic means or otherwise.

***Euroclear:*** Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear system.

***Event of Default:*** The meaning specified in Section 5.1.

***Excel Default Model Input File:*** An electronic spreadsheet file in Microsoft excel format to be provided to S&P, which file shall include the balance of Cash and Eligible Investments in each account and the following information (to the extent such

information is not confidential) with respect to each Collateral Obligation and, in the case of a Synthetic Security, the related Reference Obligation:

- (a) the name and country of domicile of the issuer thereof and the particular obligation or security held by the Issuer,
- (b) the CUSIP or other applicable identification number associated with such Collateral Obligation and, in the case of a Synthetic Security, the related Reference Obligation,
- (c) the par value of such Collateral Obligation and, in the case of a Synthetic Security, the related Reference Obligation,
- (d) the type of obligation or security (including, by way of example, whether such Collateral Obligation and, in the case of a Synthetic Security, the related Reference Obligation is a bond, loan or asset-backed security), using such abbreviations as may be selected by the Trustee,
- (e) a description of the index or other applicable benchmark upon which the interest payable on such Collateral Obligation and, in the case of a Synthetic Security, the related Reference Obligation is based (including, by way of example, fixed rate, step-up rate, zero coupon and LIBOR),
- (f) the coupon (in the case of a Collateral Obligation and, in the case of a Synthetic Security, the related Reference Obligation which bears interest at a fixed rate) or the spread over the applicable index (in the case of a Collateral Obligation and, in the case of a Synthetic Security, the related Reference Obligation which bears interest at a floating rate),
- (g) the S&P Industry Classification for such Collateral Obligation and, in the case of a Synthetic Security, the related Reference Obligation,
- (h) the stated maturity date of such Collateral Obligation and, in the case of a Synthetic Security, the related Reference Obligation,
- (i) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation and, in the case of a Synthetic Security, the related Reference Obligation or the issuer thereof, as applicable,
- (j) the applicable S&P Recovery Rate,
- (k) identification as a Cov-lite Loan or not, and
- (l) such other information as the Trustee may determine to include in such file.

***Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations:*** The Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations in excess of 7.5% of the Maximum Amount on the relevant Determination Date.



**Exchange Act:** The United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

**Excluded Property:** (i) U.S.\$1,000 (attributable to the issue and allotment of the Issuer Ordinary Shares) and a U.S.\$1,000 transaction fee paid to the Issuer, the bank account in which those amounts are credited in the Cayman Islands and any interest earned on those amounts, (ii) any amounts credited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account and the Preference Shares Distribution Account from time to time and (iii) any Margin Stock.

**Expense Reimbursement Account:** The Securities Account established pursuant to Section 10.3(c).

**Extended Replacement Period End Date:** If an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Replacement Period End Date (or, in the case of the first Extension pursuant to Section 2.4, the Payment Date in November 2018); **provided** that the "Extended Replacement Period End Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November 2030.

**Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date:** If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, November 1, 2025); **provided** that the "Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November 2037.

**Extended Stated Maturity Date:** If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Stated Maturity Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Payment Date in November 2025); **provided** that the "Extended Stated Maturity Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November 2037.

**Extended Weighted Average Life Date:** If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Weighted Average Life Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Weighted Average Life Date, November 1, 2021); **provided** that the "Extended Weighted Average Life Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November 2033.

**Extension:** An extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test pursuant to Section 2.4.

**Extension Bonus Payment:** With respect to each Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable beneficial owner set forth in Section 2.4(g), in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Class A-1 Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class A-2 Notes 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (3) in the case of the

Class B Notes 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (4) in the case of the Class C Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (5) in the case of the Class D Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date and (6) in the case of the Class E Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

***Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification:*** With respect to each Maturity Extension and each beneficial owner of Notes other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such beneficial owner acceptable to the Issuer to the effect that it held Notes other than Extension Sale Securities on the applicable Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof in the case of the Notes and wire transfer instructions for the Extension Bonus Payment and any required documentation thereunder.

***Extension Conditions:*** The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

***Extension Determination Date:*** The eighth Business Day prior to each Extension Effective Date.

***Extension Effective Date:*** If an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extension Effective Date (or, in the case of the first Extension Effective Date, the Payment Date in November 2012).

***Extension Notice:*** The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

***Extension Purchase Price:*** The purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with each Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, **plus** accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the applicable Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since the Closing Date would cause such Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); **provided, however**, that if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Preference Shares shall be zero.

***Extension Qualifying Purchasers:*** The Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); **provided** that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Extension Sale Securities from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.4(c), "Extension Qualifying Purchasers" shall mean one or more qualifying



purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchasers or any of their Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; **provided, however**, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

**Extension Sale Notice:** The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**Extension Sale Notice Period:** The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**Extension Sale Securities:** The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**Face Amount:** With respect to any Preference Share, the amount set forth therein as the "face amount" thereof, which "face amount" shall be U.S.\$1,000 per Preference Share.

**Finance Lease:** A lease agreement or other agreement entered into in connection with and evidencing a Leasing Finance Transaction.

**Financial Asset:** The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(9) of the UCC.

**Financing Statements:** Financing statements relating to the Collateral naming the Issuer as debtor and the Trustee on behalf of the Secured Parties as secured party.

**Fixed Rate Excess:** As of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose numerator is the product of:

- (i) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date over the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test; and
- (ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date,

and whose denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Fixed Rate Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Spread Excess were equal to zero.

**Fixed Rate Obligation:** Any Collateral Obligation that bears interest at a fixed rate.

**Floating Rate Notes:** The Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**Floating Rate Obligation:** Any Collateral Obligation that bears interest based on a floating rate index.

**Form-Approved Synthetic Security:** A Synthetic Security:

- (i) (A) each of the Reference Obligations of which satisfy the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and could be purchased by the Issuer without any required action by the Rating Agencies, without satisfaction of the Rating Condition or which the Rating Agencies have otherwise approved; or
- (B) each of the Reference Obligations of which would satisfy clause (A) above but for the currency in which the Reference Obligation is payable and the Synthetic Security is payable in Dollars, does not provide for physical settlement, and does not expose the Issuer to Dollar currency risk;
- (ii) the Synthetic Security Agreement of which conforms (but for the amount and timing of periodic payments, the name of the Reference Obligation, the notional amount, the effective date, the termination date, and other similar necessary changes) to a form that has been expressly identified and approved in writing in connection with a request under this Indenture by Moody's and S&P;
- (iii) a copy of the Synthetic Security Agreement of which has been delivered to the Holders of the Class A Notes by the Trustee at the expense of the Co-Issuers and upon being furnished with a copy of the same by the Servicer; and
- (iv) that is with a counterparty with respect to which the Rating Condition has been satisfied by each of Moody's and S&P prior to the acquisition of any such Form-Approved Synthetic Security, and such approval has not been withdrawn.

Moody's or S&P may at any time, by notice to the Servicer, withdraw its approval of any such form. A withdrawal of approval shall have no effect on any Synthetic Security acquired, entered into, or committed to before the date on which the Servicer receives the notice of withdrawal.

**Funded Amount:** With respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan at any time, the aggregate principal amount of advances or other extensions of credit made thereunder by the Issuer that are outstanding and have not been repaid at such time.

**GAAP:** The meaning specified in Section 6.3(j).

**Global Notes:** Any Regulation S Global Notes or Rule 144A Global Notes.

**Grant:** To grant, bargain, sell, warrant, alienate, remise, demise, release, convey, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge, create, and grant a security interest in and right of setoff against, deposit, set over, and confirm. A Grant of the Pledged Obligations, or of any other instrument, shall include all rights, powers, and options of the granting party thereunder, including the immediate continuing right to claim for, collect, receive, and

receipt for principal and interest payments in respect of the Pledged Obligations, and all other monies payable thereunder, to give and receive notices and other communications, to make waivers or other agreements, to exercise all rights and options, to bring Proceedings in the name of the granting party or otherwise, and generally to do and receive anything that the granting party is or may be entitled to do or receive thereunder or with respect thereto.

***Hedge Agreements:*** Collectively, all interest rate cap or interest rate swap agreements between the Issuer and any Hedge Counterparty, and any replacement agreement entered into pursuant to Section 15.2.

***Hedge Counterparty:*** Any counterparty, to the extent that when the Issuer enters into any Hedge Agreement with such counterparty, such counterparty satisfies the requirements of Section 15.2(c) (subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency).

***Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account:*** The Securities Account established pursuant to Section 10.3(d).

***Hedge Termination Receipt:*** Any termination payment paid by the Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer upon any early termination of a Hedge Agreement with respect to which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

***HFP:*** Highland Financial Partners, L.P., an Affiliate of the Servicer.

***High-Yield Bond:*** Any debt security, other than a Loan or a Structured Finance Obligation, that is either Registered or, if not Registered, (i) it is issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States, (ii) the payments on it are not subject to United States withholding tax and (iii) it is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

***Holder:*** Of any Note, the person whose name appears on the Indenture Register as the registered holder of the Note; and of any Preference Share, the person whose name appears in the Preference Share register related thereto as the registered holder of such Preference Share.

***Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice:*** A notice substantially in the form of Exhibit G-2.

***Incurrence Covenant:*** A covenant by the borrower to comply with one or more financial covenants only upon the occurrence of certain actions of the borrower including, but not limited to, a debt issuance, dividend payment, share purchase, merger, acquisition or divestiture.

**Indenture:** This instrument as originally executed and, if from time to time supplemented or amended by one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture entered into pursuant to this Indenture, as so supplemented or amended.

**Indenture Register:** The meaning specified in Section 2.6(a).

**Indenture Registrar:** The meaning specified in Section 2.6(a).

**Independent:** As to any person, any other person (including, in the case of an accountant or lawyer, a firm of accountants or lawyers, and any member of the firm, or an investment bank and any member of the bank) who

- (i) does not have and is not committed to acquire any material direct or any material indirect financial interest in the person or in any Affiliate of the person, and
- (ii) is not connected with the person as an Officer, employee, promoter, underwriter, voting trustee, partner, director, or person performing similar functions.

"Independent" when used with respect to any accountant may include an accountant who audits the books of the person if in addition to satisfying the criteria above the accountant is independent with respect to the person within the meaning of Rule 101 of the Code of Ethics of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

Whenever any Independent person's opinion or certificate is to be furnished to the Trustee, the opinion or certificate shall state that the signer has read this definition and that the signer is Independent within the meaning of this Indenture.

**Initial Consent Period:** The period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee mailed notice of a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2(b) to the Holders of Securities.

**Initial Purchasers:** CALYON and Calyon Securities (USA) Inc.

**Initial Rating:** The ratings by Moody's and S&P with respect to each Class of Notes provided in the table in Section 2.3(a).

**Insolvency Event:** With respect to any person, means that:

- (i) an involuntary proceeding shall be commenced or an involuntary petition shall be filed seeking:
  - (A) liquidation, reorganization, or other relief in respect of the person or its debts, or of all or substantially all of its assets, under any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar law now or hereafter in effect, or
  - (B) the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, conservator, or similar official for the person or for all or substantially all of its assets,

and, in any such case, the proceeding or petition shall continue undismissed for 30 days; or an order or decree approving or ordering any of the foregoing shall be entered, or

- (ii) the person shall:
  - (A) voluntarily commence any proceeding or file any petition seeking liquidation, reorganization, or other relief under any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar law now or hereafter in effect,
  - (B) consent to the institution of, or fail to contest in a timely and appropriate manner, any proceeding or petition described in clause (i) above,
  - (C) apply for or consent to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, or conservator or for all or substantially all of its assets,
  - (D) file an answer admitting the material allegations of a petition filed against it in any such proceeding, or
  - (E) make a general assignment for the benefit of creditors.

***Insolvency Proceeding:*** The meaning specified in Section 16.4(b).

***Instrument:*** The meaning specified in Section 9-102(a)(47) of the UCC.

***Interest Coverage Ratio:*** With respect to any specified Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by dividing:

- (i) the sum of:
  - (A) the Interest Proceeds received or scheduled to be received with respect to the Due Period in which the Measurement Date occurs, **minus**
  - (B) amounts payable under clauses (1), (2), (3) and (4) of Section 11.1(a)(i) on the related Payment Date, by:
- (ii) all accrued and unpaid interest on the specified Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to the Class, including any Deferred Interest on the related Payment Date.

For purposes of the Interest Coverage Ratio, only the amount of any interest payment (including any "gross up" payment) on any Collateral Obligation in excess of any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction on any date of determination shall be included in Interest Proceeds.

***Interest Coverage Test:*** A test the first Measurement Date for which will be on the second Payment Date and that is satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes

remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level in the table below for the specified Class:

Test	Required Level
Class A/B Interest Coverage Test	120.0%
Class C Interest Coverage Test	110.0%
Class D Interest Coverage Test	106.0%

**Interest Period:** Initially, the period from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the first Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date.

**Interest Proceeds:** With respect to any Due Period, the sum (without duplication) of all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period (or as otherwise specified below) by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are:

- (i) payments of interest, fees, and commissions (excluding (A) Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal, (B) interest and dividends on Workout Assets, (C) interest, fees and commissions from Defaulted Collateral Obligations and Deferred Interest PIK Securities and (D) syndication and other up-front fees and any up-front fixed payments received in connection with entering into a Synthetic Security);
- (ii) any portion of the Sale Proceeds of a Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) representing Accrued Interest On Sale;
- (iii) all payments of principal on, or disposition proceeds from the sale of, Eligible Investments to the extent purchased with Interest Proceeds;
- (iv) payments with respect to the Hedge Agreements received on or before the related Payment Date (other than any amount payable thereunder because of any early termination or notional amount reduction), but not any Sale Proceeds from any of these instruments (except to the extent that they were purchased with Interest Proceeds);
- (v) all fees received pursuant to any Securities Lending Agreements;
- (vi) amounts in the Collection Account designated for distribution as Interest Proceeds pursuant to the Priority of Payments;

- (vii) all earnings on amounts in the Synthetic Security Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account and the Revolving Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.3(b);
- (viii) amounts in the Expense Reimbursement Account on the Payment Date for the relevant Due Period;
- (ix) any recoveries (including interest) received on a Defaulted Collateral Obligation or Deferred Interest PIK Securities in excess of the principal balance of such Defaulted Collateral Obligation or Deferred Interest PIK Securities (as of the date the related Collateral Obligation became a Defaulted Collateral Obligation); and
- (x) Principal Proceeds designated by the Servicer as Interest Proceeds prior to the Determination Date related to the first Payment Date in an aggregate amount not to exceed U.S.\$2,000,000 in accordance with Section 10.2(f).

Interest Proceeds shall not include the Excluded Property and Interest Proceeds shall not include earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

Each reference in the definition of "Interest Proceeds" to a Collateral Obligation shall include a Collateral Obligation that has been loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and Interest Proceeds shall include any amounts referred to in clauses (i) through (iii) above received by the Issuer in respect of the Collateral Obligation indirectly from the related Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement.

With respect to any Payment Date, Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Interest Proceeds due and payable on such Payment Date to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date that are distributed to such Holders by way of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of Cash pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(i) will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds.

***Interim Ramp-Up Test:*** The test that is met as of the Interim Ramp-Up Test Date if the Issuer has acquired (or entered into commitments to acquire) Collateral Obligations satisfying the levels specified in the Interim Ramp-Up Test Date table in Section 7.19(g) with respect to the Moody's Weighted Average Recovery Rate, Diversity Score, Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor, Weighted Average Spread and minimum Aggregate Principal Balance.

***Interim Ramp-Up Test Date:*** The meaning specified in Section 7.19(g).

***Investment Company Act:*** The United States Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

***Irish Paying Agent:*** The meaning specified in Section 7.2.



**Issuer:** The Person named as such on the first page of this Indenture.

**Issuer Accounts:** The meaning assigned in the Granting Clauses.

**Issuer Charter** means the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Issuer, filed under the Companies Law (2007 Revision) of the Cayman Islands, as modified and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**Issuer Order** and **Issuer Request:** A written order or request dated and signed in the name of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, or by the Servicer by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

**Issuer Ordinary Shares:** The ordinary shares, par value U.S.\$1.00 per share, of the Issuer which have been issued by the Issuer and are outstanding from time to time.

**Junior Class:** With respect to a particular Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that is subordinated to that Class, as indicated in Section 13.1.

**LCDS Security:** means a credit default swap the Reference Obligations of which are denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars.

**Leasing Finance Transaction:** Any transaction pursuant to which the obligations of the lessee to pay rent or other amounts on a triple net basis under any lease of (or other arrangement conveying the right to use) real or personal property, or a combination thereof, are required to be classified and accounted for as a capital lease on a balance sheet of such lessee under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America; but only if (a) such lease or other transaction provides for the unconditional obligation of the lessee to pay a stated amount of principal no later than a stated maturity date, together with interest thereon, and the payment of such obligation is not subject to any material non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer, (b) the obligations of the lessee in respect of such lease or other transaction are fully secured, directly or indirectly, by the property that is the subject of such lease and (c) the interest held by the Issuer in respect of such lease or other transaction is treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

**LIBOR:** The offered rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent for any Interest Period, for three month Dollar deposits that appears on Reuters Screen LIBOR01 as reported on Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News (or a page that replaces Reuters Screen LIBOR01 for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), as of 11:00 A.M. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period.

If, on the second Business Day before the first day of any relevant Interest Period, that rate does not appear on Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page as reported on Bloomberg Financial Market Commodities News (or a page that replaces Reuters Screen LIBOR01



Page for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), the Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks to prime banks in the London interbank market for three month Dollar deposits in Europe, by reference to requests by the Calculation Agent to four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) (the **Reference Banks**) for quotations as of approximately 11:00 A.M. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the Interest Period. If at least two of the Reference Banks provide quotations as requested, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean. If fewer than two Reference Banks provide quotations, LIBOR shall be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that one or more leading banks in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) are quoting to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period for three month Dollar deposits.

If the Calculation Agent is unable to determine a rate in accordance with any of the above procedures, LIBOR for the Interest Period shall be calculated on the last day of the Interest Period and shall be the arithmetic mean of the rate of interest for each day during the Interest Period determined by the Calculation Agent as being the rate of interest most recently announced by the Bank at its New York office as its base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans (or if the Bank ceases to exist or is not quoting a base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans, another major money center commercial bank in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer)).

For the first Interest Period and, unless the Maturity Extension occurs, the last Interest Period, LIBOR shall be determined based on the actual number of days in the Interest Period using straight-line interpolation of two rates calculated in accordance with the above procedure, except that instead of using three month deposits, one rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next shorter than the Interest Period and the other rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next longer than the Interest Period. All calculations shall be calculated to at least four decimal places and rounded to four decimal places.

**Loan:** Any interest in a fully committed, senior secured, unsecured, or revolving loan (including loans involving credit linked deposits and synthetic or prefunded letters of credit) that is acquired by assignment or by Participation (including any DIP Loan) that is either:

- (i) Registered; or
- (ii) issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States:
  - (A) whose payments are not subject to United States withholding tax; and

- (B) that is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

***Long-Dated Collateral Obligation:*** Any Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturity of the Notes other than a Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturities of the Notes that includes a "put" option to its obligor at a price of at least par payable on or before the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

***Maintenance Covenant:*** A covenant by the borrower to comply with one or more financial covenants during each reporting period, whether or not it has taken any specified action.

***Majority:*** With respect to any Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

***Margin Stock:*** "Margin Stock" as defined under Regulation U issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, including any debt security that is by its terms convertible into Margin Stock, but does not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation received pursuant to an offer by an issuer of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

***Market Value:*** As of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three broker-dealers Independent from the Servicer and each other active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the lower of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two broker-dealers Independent from the Servicer and each other active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the bid-side prices for the purchase of the Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer).

If a Market Value of any Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined in accordance with the procedures set out in the preceding paragraph for a period of 30 consecutive days then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero; **provided**, that during such 30-day period, such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to (a) the higher of (i) the S&P Recovery Rate for such Collateral Obligation with reference to the then current S&P Rating of the Class A-1 Notes (or the most senior Class of Notes Outstanding and rated by S&P) and (ii) 70% of the Principal Balance of such Collateral Obligation or (b) if the Servicer has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation is lower than the amount determined pursuant to clause (a), such amount to be

determined by the Servicer in its commercially reasonable judgment; **provided, further**, that the maximum amount of Collateral Obligations having a Market Value assigned pursuant to the immediately preceding proviso shall be limited to 5.0% of the Maximum Amount (and any amount in excess of 5.0% of the Maximum Amount shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero). For the avoidance of doubt, the procedures set out in this paragraph shall not apply to determinations of Market Value of any Eligible Equity Securities or Current-Pay Obligations.

The Servicer is under no obligation to determine the Market Value of the Collateral Obligations other than as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or this Indenture or to comply with any of its duties as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or in this Indenture.

**Market Value Determination Date:** With respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities, one Business Day prior to the date of the notice distributed by the Issuer to the Holders of the Preference Shares in connection with such distribution.

**Market Value Percentage:** For any Collateral Obligation, the ratio obtained by dividing:

- (i) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation; *by*
- (ii) the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation.

**Maturity:** With respect to any Note, the date on which the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable as provided in the Note or this Indenture, whether at the Stated Maturity or by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise.

**Maturity Extension:** The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**Maximum Amount:** An amount equal to:

- (i) on any Measurement Date during the Ramp-Up Period, U.S.\$687,400,000; and
- (ii) on any Measurement Date after the Ramp-Up Completion Date:
  - (A) the aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations plus the aggregate outstanding principal amount of any Defaulted Collateral Obligations; **plus**
  - (B) Cash representing Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; **plus**
  - (C) Eligible Investments (other than Cash) purchased by the Issuer with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account.

**Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor:** As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the number set forth in the column entitled "Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column

combination" chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolation between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**Measurement Date:** Any date:

- (i) on which the Issuer commits to acquire or dispose of any Collateral Obligation;
- (ii) on which a Collateral Obligation becomes a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
- (iii) that is a Determination Date;
- (iv) that is the Ramp-Up Completion Date;
- (v) that is the date as of which the information in a Monthly Report is calculated pursuant to Section 10.6;
- (vi) as reasonably requested by S&P; and,
- (vii) with respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities only, that is the Market Value Determination Date with respect to such distribution of Eligible Equity Securities.

**Merging Entity:** The meaning specified in Section 7.10.

**Minimum Diversity Score:** As of any Measurement Date, a score equal to the number set forth in the column entitled "Minimum Diversity Score" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolation between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**Minimum Weighted Average Spread:** As of any Measurement Date, the spread equal to the percentage set forth in the row entitled "Minimum Weighted Average Spread" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolation between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**Monthly Determination Date:** The meaning specified in Section 10.6(a).

**Monthly Report:** The meaning specified in Section 10.6(a).

**Moody's:** Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

**Moody's Default Probability Rating:** The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating:** The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**Moody's Excess Weighted Average Recovery Rate:** the greater of (i) zero and (ii) the difference (if positive) between the Moody's Weighted Average Recovery Rate and 43.6%.

**Moody's Group I Country:** Any of the following countries: Australia, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group I Country.

**Moody's Group II Country:** Any of the following countries: Germany, Ireland, Sweden, Switzerland and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group II Country.

**Moody's Group III Country:** Any of the following countries: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, Spain and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group III Country.

**Moody's Industry Classification:** The industry classifications in Schedule 2 as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by Moody's.

**Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan:** Any Loan that is not a Moody's Senior Secured Loan.

**Moody's Obligation Rating:** The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**Moody's Priority Category:** Each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix" as a "Moody's Priority Category."

**Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate:** For any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix" opposite the Moody's Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix:**

<b>Moody's Priority Category</b>	<b>Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Synthetic Securities.....	<p>In the case of:</p> <p>(i) a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to the Form-Approved Synthetic Security at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security by Moody's, and</p> <p>(ii) any other Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by</p>

<b>Moody's Priority Category</b>	<b>Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
	Moody's to the Synthetic Security at the time of acquisition of the Synthetic Security.
Structured Finance Obligations.....	The Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the Moody's Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in Schedule 5 by reference to the type of asset and its then Moody's Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that schedule does not apply, on a case-by-case basis in connection with the Grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
unsecured DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligations not covered above or below .....	As determined by Moody's on a case-by-case basis.

For High-Yield Bonds, Moody's Senior Secured Loans and Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is the rate determined pursuant to the table below based on the number of rating subcategories difference between the High-Yield Bond's or Loan's Moody's Obligation Rating and its Moody's Default Probability Rating (for purposes of clarification, if the Moody's Obligation Rating is higher than the Moody's Default Probability Rating, the rating subcategories difference will be positive and if it is lower, negative):

<b>Number of Moody's Rating Subcategories Difference Between the Moody's Obligation Rating and the Moody's Default Probability Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>High-Yield Bonds</b>
+2 or more	60.0%	45.0%	40.0%
+1	50.0%	42.5%	35.0%
0	45.0%	40.0%	30.0%
-1	40.0%	30.0%	15.0%
-2	30.0%	15.0%	10.0%
-3 or less	20.0%	10.0%	2.0%

If no Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate has been specifically assigned with respect to a Loan pursuant to the above table, and the Loan is a secured DIP Loan, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is 50.0%.

**Moody's Rating:** The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**Moody's Rating Factor:** The number in the table below opposite the rating of the Collateral Obligation (excluding Synthetic Securities where an Assigned Moody's Rating is not available).

<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>	<b>Moody's Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Rating Factor</b>
Aaa	1	Ba1	940
Aa1	10	Ba2	1350
Aa2	20	Ba3	1766
Aa3	40	B1	2220
A1	70	B2	2720
A2	120	B3	3490
A3	180	Caa1	4770
Baa1	260	Caa2	6500
Baa2	360	Caa3	8070
Baa3	610	Ca or lower	10000

The Moody's Rating Factor for Collateral Obligations that are Synthetic Securities shall be determined by Moody's and obtained by the Issuer or the Servicer on a case-by-case basis, unless (1) there is an Assigned Moody's Rating available for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, in which case such Assigned Moody's Rating shall be used to compute the Moody's Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, or (2) such Collateral Obligation is a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, in which case the Moody's Rating Factor given to such Collateral Obligation at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security shall be used to compute the Moody's Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security.



The Moody's Rating Factor for any Collateral Obligation that is a Structured Finance Obligation shall be equal to:  $\frac{A \times 55\%}{1 - B}$ ,

where: "A" means the number determined with respect to such Collateral Obligation pursuant to the table above; and

"B" means the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

***Moody's Senior Secured Loan:***

- (a) a Loan that:
  - (i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan;
  - (ii) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan; and
  - (iii) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal seniority secured by a first lien or security interest in the same collateral; or
- (b) a Loan that:
  - (i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan, other than, with respect to a Loan described in clause (a) above, with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such loan;
  - (ii) is secured by a valid second or lower priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan;
  - (iii) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by a first or second lien or security interest in the same collateral; and



- (iv) has been assigned a Moody's rating equal to or higher than Moody's corporate family rating for such obligor; and
- (c) the Loan is not: (i) a DIP Loan, (ii) a Loan for which the security interest or lien (or the validity or effectiveness thereof) in substantially all of its collateral attaches, becomes effective, or otherwise "springs" into existence after the origination thereof, or (iii) a type of loan that Moody's has identified as having unusual terms and with respect to which its Moody's Recovery Rate has been or is to be determined on a case-by-case basis.

**Moody's Weighted Average Rating Factor Recovery Rate Modifier:** the product of (i) the portion of the Moody's Excess Weighted Average Recovery Rate specified by the Servicer in a notice to the Trustee and (ii) 5250, **provided** that the sum of the amount specified in clause (i) of this definition and clause (i) of the definition of the "Moody's Weighted Average Spread Recovery Rate Modifier" cannot exceed the Moody's Excess Weighted Average Recovery Rate.

**Moody's Weighted Average Recovery Rate:** As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the number obtained by:

- (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate;
- (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations; and
- (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

**Moody's Weighted Average Spread Recovery Rate Modifier:** the product of (i) the portion of the Moody's Excess Weighted Average Recovery Rate specified by the Servicer in a notice to the Trustee and (ii) 6.0%, **provided** that the sum of the amount specified in clause (i) of this definition and clause (i) of the definition of the "Moody's Weighted Average Rating Factor Recovery Rate Modifier" cannot exceed the Moody's Excess Weighted Average Recovery Rate.

**Non-Call Period:** The period from the Closing Date to but not including the Payment Date in November 2010.

**Non-Consenting Holder:** With respect to any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, any Holder or, in the case of Securities represented by Global Notes, any beneficial owner, that either (i) has delivered to the Trustee a written notice that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) had not consented to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

***Non-Performing Collateral Obligation:*** Any Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any PIK Security as to which its issuer or obligor has previously deferred or capitalized any interest due on it and all the interest so deferred or capitalized has not subsequently been paid in full in cash by:

- (i) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above, the earlier of its second payment date or one year following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it, or
- (ii) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "Baa3", or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "BBB-", the earlier of its first payment date or six months following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it.

***Non-Permitted Holder:*** (a) With respect to the Global Notes, a Holder or beneficial owner of an interest in a Global Note that is a U.S. person and (i) not a QIB/QP and that becomes the beneficial owner of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note or (ii) does not have an exemption available under the Securities Act and (b) with respect to the Class E Notes, a Holder or beneficial owner of an interest in a Class E Note that is not a QIB/QP.

***Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor:*** The meaning specified in the second paragraph of Section 2.6(c).

***Non-qualifying Collateral Obligation:*** The meaning specified in Section 12.1(d).

***Note Break-Even Loss Rate:*** With respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the maximum percentage of defaults that the Current Portfolio or Proposed Portfolio can sustain and nevertheless sufficient funds will remain for the payment of principal of the Class of Notes in full by its Stated Maturity and the timely payment of interest on the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes and the ultimate payment of interest on the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes using S&P's assumptions on recoveries, defaults, and timing, and taking into account the Priority of Payments and the adjusted Weighted Average Spread level specified in the applicable row of the table below. The adjusted Weighted Average Spread as of any Measurement Date is the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date **minus** the amount of any Spread Excess added to the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon as of the Measurement Date.

<b>Row</b>	<b>Adjusted Weighted Average Spread</b>
1	Greater than or equal to 3.20%
2	Greater than or equal to 3.10% but less than 3.20%

- 3 Greater than or equal to 3.00% but less than 3.10%
- 4 Greater than or equal to 2.90% but less than 3.00%
- 5 Greater than or equal to 2.80% but less than 2.90%
- 6 Greater than or equal to 2.70% but less than 2.80%
- 7 Greater than or equal to 2.60% but less than 2.70%
- 8 Greater than or equal to 2.50% but less than 2.60%
- 9 Greater than or equal to 2.40% but less than 2.50%
- 10 Greater than or equal to 2.30% but less than 2.40%
- 11 Greater than or equal to 2.20% but less than 2.30%
- 12 Greater than or equal to 2.10% but less than 2.20%
- 13 Greater than or equal to 2.00% but less than 2.10%

**Note Class Loss Differential:** With respect to any Measurement Date and any Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the rate calculated by subtracting the Class Scenario Loss Rate for the Class from the then-applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate for the Class of Notes.

**Noteholder:** A Holder of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes.

**Note Interest Rate:** With respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate payable on the Notes of the Class with respect to each Interest Period equal to LIBOR for Eurodollar deposits for the applicable Interest Period **plus** the spread specified in the "Interest Rate" rows of the tables in Section 2.3 with respect to such Notes except in the first Interest Period.

**Note Payment Sequence:** The application of funds in the following order:

- (1) to the payment of principal of the Class A-1 Notes until the Class A-1 Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (2) to the Class A-2 Notes until the Class A-2 Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (3) to the Class B Notes until the Class B Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (4) to the Class C Notes until the Class C Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (5) to the Class D Notes until the Class D Notes have been fully redeemed; and
- (6) to the Class E Notes until the Class E Notes have been fully redeemed.

**Notes:** The Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes authorized by, and authenticated and delivered under, this Indenture or any supplemental indenture.

**Notice of Refinancing:** The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

**Objection Cut-Off Date:** The meaning specified in Section 15.1(h)(ii).

**Offer:** The meaning specified in Section 10.7(c).

**Offering:** The offering of the Notes.

**Offering Memorandum:** The final offering memorandum, dated October 22, 2007, prepared and delivered in connection with the offer and sale of the Securities.

**Officer:** With respect to the Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to the Co-Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to any partnership, any of its general partners; and with respect to the Trustee, any Trust Officer.

**Opinion of Counsel:** A written opinion addressed to the Trustee and each Rating Agency, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and each Rating Agency, of an attorney at law (or law firm with one or more partners) reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and admitted to practice before the highest court of any state of the United States or the District of Columbia (or the Cayman Islands, in the case of an opinion relating to the laws of the Cayman Islands), which attorney (or law firm) may, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, be counsel for the Servicer, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. Whenever an Opinion of Counsel is required under this Indenture, the Opinion of Counsel may rely on opinions of other counsel who are so admitted and so satisfactory, which opinions of other counsel shall accompany the Opinion of Counsel and shall either be addressed to the Trustee and each Rating Agency or shall state that the Trustee and each Rating Agency may rely on it. An Opinion of Counsel may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion.

**Optional Redemption:** A redemption of the Notes in accordance with Section 9.2.

**Other Indebtedness:** The meaning specified in the definition of "Defaulted Collateral Obligation."

**Outstanding:** With respect to:

- (a) the Notes or any specified Class, as of any date of determination, all of the Notes or all of the Notes of the specified Class, as the case may be, theretofore authenticated and delivered under this Indenture, except with respect to Notes:
  - (i) Notes canceled by the Indenture Registrar or delivered to the Indenture Registrar for cancellation;
  - (ii) Notes for whose payment or redemption funds in the necessary amount have been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for their Holders pursuant to Section 4.1(a)(ii) and if the Notes are to be redeemed, notice of redemption has been duly given pursuant to this Indenture;
  - (iii) Notes in exchange for or in lieu of which other Notes have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to this Indenture; and
  - (iv) Notes alleged to have been destroyed, lost, or stolen for which replacement Notes have been issued as provided in Section 2.7, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Notes are held by a protected purchaser; and
- (b) the Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Preference Share Documents and listed in the Preference Share register of the Issuer as outstanding;

**provided** that, in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver under this Indenture, the Securities owned or beneficially owned by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, any Affiliate of either of them and, with respect to any matter affecting its status as Servicer or appointment of a replacement Servicer or relating to an acceleration of any Class of Notes if the effect of the Servicer's action or inaction as a Holder of Securities would effectively prevent acceleration, the Servicer, its Affiliates and any account over which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (other than, with respect to Notes or Class II Preference Shares, HFP or any of its subsidiaries; **provided** that, with respect to the voting authority of Notes or Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Trustee or the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) shall be disregarded and not be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver, only Securities that a Trust Officer of the Trustee (or with respect to the Preference Shares, only Preference Shares that an authorized officer of the Preference Shares Paying Agent) has actual knowledge to be so owned or beneficially owned shall be so disregarded. Securities so owned or beneficially

owned that have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee or the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, the pledgee's right so to act with respect to the Securities and that the pledgee is independent from the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

**Overcollateralization Ratio:** With respect to any Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by **dividing**:

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator; **by**
- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it (excluding any Deferred Interest on such Notes and all Notes ranking senior to such Notes).

**Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator:** On any date, the sum of:

- (1) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (other than any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, any Deep Discount Obligations, and any Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an "event of default" (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing); **plus**
- (2) unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal (excluding any unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal in respect of Non-Performing Collateral Obligations); **plus**
- (3) the Aggregate Principal Balance of any Eligible Investments that were purchased with Principal Proceeds and the amount of Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; **plus**
- (4) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Eligible Investments on deposit in a Securities Lending Account that relate to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an "event of default" (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing; **plus**
- (5) with respect to Collateral Obligations that are Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, Deep Discount Obligations or Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, the amount determined by using one of the following methods applicable to such type of Collateral Obligation; **provided** that if a Collateral Obligation falls within more than one of such types, the Issuer will be required to use the method that results in the smallest amount:
  - (A) with respect to any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, an amount equal to the product of (i) the CCC+/Caa1 Excess Market Value

Percentage, **multiplied by** (ii) the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations;

- (B) with respect to any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, the aggregate of the Applicable Collateral Obligation Amounts for all included Non-Performing Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations that have been held by the Issuer for more than three years, which shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this clause (B)); and
- (C) with respect to any Deep Discount Obligations, the Aggregate Purchase Price Amount for all Deep Discount Obligations.

As used in this definition, ***Applicable Collateral Obligation Amount*** for any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation means:

- (a) the lesser of:
  - (x) the Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation; and
  - (y) the Applicable Percentage for the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation;

**multiplied by:**

- (b) if the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation is:
  - (1) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (2) through (4) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
  - (2) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
  - (3) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any Unfunded Amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the Unfunded Amount); and
  - (4) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

As used in the calculation of Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation, the Principal Balance of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall be, if the Defaulted Collateral Obligation is:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (ii) through (iv) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;



- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any Unfunded Amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the Unfunded Amount); and
- (iv) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

**Overcollateralization Test:** A test that is satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes if, as of any Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the required level for the specified Class indicated in the table below:

Test	Required Level
Class A/B Overcollateralization Test	112.14%
Class C Overcollateralization Test	107.59%
Class D Overcollateralization Test	105.79%
Class E Overcollateralization Test	103.91%

**Participating Institution:** An institution that creates a participation interest and that has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" (and if so rated by Moody's such rating is not on watch for possible downgrade) and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A".

**Participation:** A Loan (including a Loan involving Synthetic Letters of Credit if structured like a Participation) acquired as a participation interest created by a Participating Institution.

**Paying Agent:** Any Person authorized by the Issuer to pay the principal of or interest on any Notes on behalf of the Issuer as specified in Section 7.2. (For the avoidance of doubt, this does not include the Irish Paying Agent).

**Payment Account:** The Securities Account established pursuant to Section 10.3(h).

**Payment Date:** The first day of February, May, August and November in each year, commencing May 2008 or, if any such day is not a Business Day, the next following Business Day, any other date on which the Notes are redeemed or paid before their Stated Maturity, and at the Stated Maturity for the Notes.

**Permitted Offer:** An Offer pursuant to which the offeror offers to acquire a debt obligation (including a Collateral Obligation) in exchange solely for cash in an amount equal to or greater than the full face amount of the debt obligation plus any accrued and



unpaid interest and as to which the Servicer has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the offeror has sufficient access to financing to consummate the Offer.

**Person:** An individual, corporation (including a business trust), partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust (including any beneficiary thereof), unincorporated association or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

**PIK Cash-Pay Interest:** As to any PIK Security, the portion of interest required to be paid in cash (and not permitted to be added to the balance of such PIK Security or otherwise deferred and accrued) thereon pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments.

**PIK Security:** Any loan or debt obligation on which any portion of the interest accrued for a specified period of time or until the maturity thereof is, or at the option of the obligor may be, added to the principal balance of such loan or debt obligation or otherwise deferred rather than being paid in cash, **provided** that such loan or debt obligation shall not be a PIK Security if the portion, if any, of such interest required pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments to be paid in Cash would result in the outstanding principal amount of such loan or debt obligation having an effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest at least equal to (i) if such loan or debt obligation is a fixed rate loan or debt obligation, 4% per annum, or (ii) if such loan or debt obligation is a floating rate loan or debt obligation, LIBOR.

**Plan Asset Regulation:** The regulation issued by the United States Department of Labor and found at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101.

**Pledged Obligations:** As of any date of determination, the Collateral Obligations, the Workout Assets, the Eligible Investments, and any other securities or obligations that have been Granted to the Trustee that form part of the Collateral.

**Portfolio Improvement Exchange:** The disposition, during the Replacement Period, of a Collateral Obligation and corresponding acquisition of one or more Collateral Obligations which in the aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Test, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied (or bring the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations closer to compliance with any such test or limitation) or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith would be improved and (ii) improving, on a net basis, the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test and Concentration Limitations and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased.

***Pre-Closing Participant:*** An Affiliate of the Initial Purchasers that is financing the Issuer's pre-closing acquisition of Collateral Obligations.

***Preference Shares Distribution Account:*** A segregated bank account established by the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deposit all amounts received from the Issuer and payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares under the Priority of Payments.

***Preference Share Documents:*** The Issuer Charter, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the resolutions of the Issuer's board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

***Preference Share Internal Rate of Return:*** With respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the "XIRR" function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for the following cash flows, assuming all Preference Shares are purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount:

- (i) each distribution of Interest Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date and
- (ii) each distribution of Principal Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date.

***Preference Shares:*** The Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares.

***Preference Shares Notional Amount:*** As of the Closing Date, U.S.\$63,000,000, and thereafter as increased each time additional Preference Shares are issued in accordance with the Preference Share Documents.

***Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement:*** The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, by and between the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

***Preference Shares Paying Agent:*** State Street Bank and Trust Company, in its capacity as Preference Shares Paying Agent under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency

Agreement, and thereafter "Preference Shares Paying Agent" shall mean such successor Person.

***Principal Balance:*** With respect to:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those specifically covered in this definition, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Pledged Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest, zero, except as otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture;
- (iv) any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, except as otherwise provided, zero;
- (v) any Collateral Obligation that has been loaned, its Principal Balance shall be reduced by the excess of the amount of collateral required over the actual Market Value of the collateral;
- (vi) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance shall include the Unfunded Amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the Unfunded Amount), except as otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture;
- (vii) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance shall not include any principal amount of the PIK Security representing previously deferred or capitalized interest; and
- (viii) any Qualified Equity Security and obligation or security that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, zero.

***Principal Proceeds:*** With respect to any Due Period, all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are not Interest Proceeds.

Principal Proceeds shall include any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account into the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.2.

Principal Proceeds do not include the Excluded Property or earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

At any time when an "event of default" under a Securities Lending Agreement has occurred and is continuing, any payments received by the Issuer from the related Securities Lending Collateral shall be Principal Proceeds.

**Priority Class:** With respect to any specified Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that ranks senior to that Class, as indicated in Section 13.1.

**Priority of Payments:** The meaning specified in Section 11.1(a).

**Proceeding:** Any suit in equity, action at law, or other judicial or administrative proceeding.

**Proposed Portfolio:** As of any Measurement Date, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations and Principal Proceeds held as Cash on deposit in the Collection Account and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account resulting from the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or a proposed purchase of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**Purchase Agreement:** A purchase agreement dated as of the Closing Date among the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchasers, relating to the purchase of the Notes and the Class I Preference Shares, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance:** For any Collateral Obligation other than Deep Discount Obligations, its Principal Balance; and for any Deep Discount Obligation its Purchase Price; **provided, however**, that if any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations exist, the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance for the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations shall be the lower of (i) the weighted average Market Value of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances and (ii) the product of (a) 70% and (b) their respective Principal Balance.

**Purchase Price:** With respect to the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (other than any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation), the net purchase price paid by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation. The net purchase price is determined by subtracting from the purchase price the amount of any Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal and any syndication and other upfront fees paid to the Issuer and by adding the amount of any related transaction costs (including assignment fees) paid by the Issuer to the seller of the Collateral Obligation or its agent.

**Purchase Price Amount:** With respect to any Collateral Obligation on any date of determination, the product of (i) the Purchase Price (stated as a percentage) thereof and (ii) the Principal Balance thereof on such date.

**QIB/QP:** Any Person that, at the time of its acquisition of Notes is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser.

**Qualified Equity Security:** Any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that is stock or evidence of an interest in or a right to buy stock, or any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation but whose acquisition otherwise is a transaction in stocks or securities within the meaning of Section 864(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Code and the regulations under the Code. Qualified Equity Securities do not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation and that will cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in or having income from a United States trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes by virtue of its ownership or disposition of the obligation (without regard to the Issuer's other activities).

**Qualified Institutional Buyer:** The meaning specified in Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

**Qualified Purchaser:** The meaning specified in Section 2(a)(51) of the Investment Company Act and Rule 2a51-2 under the Investment Company Act (including entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers).

**Ramp-Up Completion Date:** The earlier of:

- (i) the Business Day after the 90th day after the Closing Date, and
- (ii) the first date on which the following conditions are satisfied:
  - (x) (A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least U.S.\$687,400,000 or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer with proceeds from the sale of the Notes (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be) equals at least U.S.\$687,400,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date); and
  - (y) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least U.S.\$687,400,000.

**Ramp-Up Notice:** The meaning specified in Section 7.19(e).

**Ramp-Up Period:** The period from and including the Closing Date to and including the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

**Rating Agency:** Each of Moody's and S&P or, with respect to Pledged Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or S&P ceases to provide rating services with respect to high yield debt securities, any other nationally recognized statistical rating organization

selected by the Issuer and reasonably satisfactory to a Majority of each Class of Notes. If at any time Moody's ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of Moody's in this Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used. If at any time S&P ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of S&P in this Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and S&P published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used.

***Rating Condition:*** With respect to any Rating Agency and any action taken or to be taken under this Indenture, a condition that is satisfied when the Rating Agency has confirmed to the Servicer (as agent for the Issuer) in writing that no withdrawal, reduction, suspension, or other adverse action with respect to any then current rating (determined in accordance with then current methodology) by it (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes will occur as a result of the action. The Rating Condition with respect to any Rating Agency shall be satisfied for all purposes of this Indenture at any time when no Outstanding Notes are rated by it.

***Rating Confirmation:*** Confirmation in writing from each Rating Agency that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes; **provided** that in the case of Refinancing Notes, a Moody's rating will be obtained for such Refinancing Notes and a Rating Confirmation with respect to such Refinancing Notes shall mean (i) with respect to S&P, confirmation in writing from S&P that the rating of each Class of Refinancing Notes will be no lower than the rating on each corresponding Class of Notes subject to such Refinancing and (ii) with respect to Moody's, that the Moody's rating of each Class of Refinancing Notes will be no lower than the rating on each corresponding Class of Notes subject to such Refinancing; provided further that if the terms of such Refinancing Notes are the same as the terms of the corresponding Class of Notes subject to Refinancing (other than with respect to the coupon thereof), it is expected that the cost of obtaining such rating from Moody's shall be no more than the cost of obtaining a Rating Confirmation.

***Rating Confirmation Failure:*** The meaning specified in Section 7.19(f).

***Ratings Matrix:*** means the table below.

The "row/column combination" of the table below selected by the Servicer on the Closing Date to apply initially for purposes of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test. Thereafter, on notice to the Trustee, the Servicer may select a different row of the Ratings Matrix to apply, or may interpolate between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable, on a straight-line basis and round the results to two decimal points.



		Minimum Diversity Score					
		55	60	65	70	75	80
Minimum Weighted Average Spread (bps)	220	1975	1995	2020	2040	2055	2070
	225	2010	2035	2060	2080	2095	2105
	230	2045	2075	2095	2115	2130	2145
	235	2065	2110	2135	2155	2170	2185
	240	2090	2150	2175	2195	2210	2225
	245	2110	2170	2205	2230	2250	2260
	250	2125	2190	2235	2270	2285	2300
	255	2145	2205	2255	2300	2325	2340
	260	2165	2225	2280	2320	2360	2380
	265	2190	2245	2295	2345	2380	2410
	270	2210	2270	2320	2360	2405	2435
	275	2230	2290	2335	2385	2420	2455
	280	2250	2305	2360	2405	2440	2480
	285	2270	2325	2375	2420	2460	2500
	290	2285	2345	2395	2440	2480	2520
	295	2305	2365	2415	2460	2500	2535
	300	2325	2380	2435	2480	2520	2555
	305	2345	2400	2455	2500	2540	2570
	310	2365	2420	2470	2515	2555	2590
	315	2385	2435	2490	2535	2570	2610
	320	2400	2455	2505	2550	2590	2630

**Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor**

**Record Date:** As to any Payment Date, the 15th day (whether or not a Business Day) before the Payment Date.

**Redemption Date:** Any Payment Date specified for an Optional Redemption of Notes pursuant to Section 9.2 or the redemption of a Class of Notes in connection with a Refinancing pursuant to Section 9.7.

**Redemption Price:** With respect to any Note and any Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) or any redemption by Refinancing pursuant to Section 9.7(a), an amount equal to:

- (i) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of the Note being redeemed; **plus**
- (ii) accrued interest on such Class of Notes (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest); **plus**
- (iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on such Class of Notes; **plus**
- (iv) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of such Class of Notes.

With respect to any Preference Share and any Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b), "Redemption Price" means (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the *pro rata* portion for such Preference Share of the entire remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications pursuant to the Priority of Payments or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case, as specified in Section 9.2(b).

**Reference Obligation:** An obligation that would otherwise satisfy the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and on which a Synthetic Security is based; **provided** that no Reference Obligation shall be a Synthetic Security.

**Refinancing:** The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

**Refinancing Date:** The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

**Refinancing Notes:** The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

**Refinancing Price:** With respect to any Class of Notes that is subject to a Refinancing, an amount equal to the Redemption Price thereof.

**Refinancing Proceeds:** The proceeds from any refinancing permitted under this Indenture.

**Reference Obligor:** The obligor of a Reference Obligation.

**Registered:** Means in registered form for U.S. federal income tax purposes and issued after July 18, 1984, **provided**, that a certificate of interest in a grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes shall not be treated as Registered unless each of the obligations or securities held by the trust was issued after that date.

**Registered Office:** The registered office of the Issuer, which shall be located outside of the United States.

**Regulation D:** Regulation D under the Securities Act.

**Regulation S:** Regulation S under the Securities Act.

**Regulation S Global Note:** The meaning specified in Section 2.2(b).

**Regulation S Note:** The meaning specified in Section 2.2(b).

**Relevant Obligation:** For a Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security and otherwise the Collateral Obligation.

**Replacement Hedge:** A replacement hedge agreement that qualifies to be a Hedge Agreement under this Indenture.



**Replacement Period:** The period from the Closing Date through and including the first to occur of:

- (i) the Payment Date after the date that the Servicer notifies the Trustee, each Rating Agency, and the Administrator, in the sole discretion of the Servicer, that, in light of the composition of the Collateral, general market conditions, and other factors, the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations within the foreseeable future would either be impractical or not beneficial,
- (ii) the Payment Date in November 2014 or, in the case of an Extension, the Extended Replacement Period End Date,
- (iii) the Payment Date on which all Notes are to be optionally redeemed or an earlier date after notice of an Optional Redemption chosen by the Servicer to facilitate the liquidation of the Collateral for the Optional Redemption, and
- (iv) the date on which the Replacement Period terminates or is terminated as a result of an Event of Default (subject to Section 5.2(c)).

**Required Redemption Percentage:** With respect to (a) any Optional Redemption resulting from a Tax Event, the Holders of at least 51% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of any Affected Class or at least 66 $\frac{2}{3}$ % of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares and (b) any other Optional Redemption, a Majority of the Preference Shares.

**Required Rating:** The meaning specified in Section 15.2(c).

**Retention Overcollateralization Ratio:** As of any Measurement Date, the ratio obtained by dividing:

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator **by**
- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes, excluding any Deferred Interest on any Class of Notes.

**Retention Overcollateralization Test:** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date during the Replacement Period on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Retention Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 104.91%.

**Revolving Loan:** A Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation (in each case excluding any Delayed Drawdown Loan) that requires the Issuer to make future advances to (or for the account of) the borrower under its Underlying Instruments. A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Revolving Loan for so long as its commitment amount is greater than zero.

**Revolving Reserve Account:** The Securities Account established pursuant to Section 10.3(b).

**Rule 3a-7:** Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act.

**Rule 144A:** Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

**Rule 144A Global Note:** The meaning specified in Section 2.2(c).

**Rule 144A Information:** The meaning specified in Section 7.15.

**S&P:** Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc.

**S&P CDO Monitor:** A dynamic, analytical computer model developed by S&P (and as may be modified by S&P from time to time) and provided to the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator to be used to calculate the default frequency in terms of the amount of debt assumed to default as a percentage of the original principal amount of the Collateral Obligations consistent with a specified benchmark rating level based on certain assumptions and S&P's proprietary corporate default studies. For the purpose (and only for the purpose) of applying the S&P CDO Monitor to a portfolio of obligations, for each obligation in the portfolio, the rating of the obligation shall be its S&P Rating.

**S&P CDO Monitor Test:** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive. The S&P CDO Monitor Test shall be considered to be improved if each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is at least equal to the corresponding Note Class Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio. The S&P CDO Monitor Test is not required to be satisfied or improved upon the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation and the application of the related Sale Proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations as provided in Section 12.1(a). For purposes of the S&P CDO Monitor Test,

- (i) the S&P Rating of any S&P Unrated DIP Loan shall be "CCC-" and
- (ii) the S&P Industry Classification for a Synthetic Security shall be that of the related Reference Obligation and not the Synthetic Security.

**S&P CRR:** With respect to any Collateral Obligation, a corporate recovery rate assigned by S&P to such Collateral Obligation.

**S&P CRR Recovery Rate:** With respect to any Collateral Obligation to which S&P has assigned a S&P CRR, the recovery rate determined in accordance with the definition of S&P Recovery Rate.

**S&P Industry Classification:** The S&P Industry Classifications in Schedule 3 as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by S&P.

***S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate:*** With respect to each Class of Note shall be the rate specified in the table below applicable to such Class of Notes in the row elected by the Servicer from time to time with five Business Days' prior notification to the Trustee and Standard & Poor's; **provided** that such election shall not be effective unless after giving effect to such election, the S&P CDO Monitor test is satisfied.

<b>Rating of Class of Notes</b>	<b>Class A S&amp;P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate</b>	<b>Class B S&amp;P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate</b>	<b>Class C S&amp;P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate (%)</b>	<b>Class D S&amp;P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate</b>	<b>Class E S&amp;P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate</b>
<b><u>Row</u></b>					
1	50	52	54.5	57	60
2	51	53	55.5	58	61
3	52	54	56.5	59	62
4	53	55	57.5	60	63
5	54	56	58.5	61	64
6	55	57	59.5	62	65
7	56	58	60.5	63	66
8	57	59	61.5	64	67
9	58	60	62.5	65	68
10	59	61	63.5	66	69
11	60	62	64.5	67	70
12	61	63	65.5	68	71
13	62	64	66.5	69	72
14	63	65	67.5	70	73
15	64	66	68.5	71	74
16	65	67	69.5	72	75
17	66	68	70.5	73	76

18	67	69	71.5	74	77
19	68	70	72.5	75	78
20	69	71	73.5	76	79
21	70	72	74.5	77	80
22	71	73	75.5	78	81
23	72	74	76.5	79	82

***S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test:*** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Class A S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test, Class B S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test, Class C S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test, Class D S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test and the Class E S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test is satisfied.

***S&P Rating:*** The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

***S&P Rating Confirmation:*** Confirmation in writing from S&P that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes.

***S&P Recovery Rate:*** As of any date of determination, with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the percentage for such Collateral Obligation set forth in (x) the applicable table below, (y) the row in such table opposite the S&P CRR (or, if the relevant assets have no S&P CRR, the senior secured recovery rating, the U.S. loan recovery rating or the CDO liability rating, as applicable) of such Collateral Obligation (or, in the case of a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation unless otherwise specified by S&P) and (z) the column in such table below the initial S&P Rating of the respective Class of Notes; **provided**, however that (i) with respect to a DIP Loan or a Synthetic Security (other than a Form-Approved Synthetic Security), the S&P Recovery Rate shall be the recovery rate assigned by S&P and with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation the S&P Recovery Rate shall be the recovery rate determined by reference to Table V or Table VI below, as applicable and (ii) the Issuer or the Servicer may request the assignment of a recovery rate from S&P with respect to any Collateral Obligation, any such assignment by S&P to be in writing (electronic or otherwise).

**Table I (if the Collateral Obligation has a S&P CRR): Recovery Rates For Assets With Corporate Recovery Ratings**

Rating of Class of	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B & CCC
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<b>S&amp;P CRR</b>	<b>(%)</b>					
1+	100	100	100	100	100	100
1	92	94	96	98	100	100
2	78	81	84	87	90	90
3	58	61	64	67	70	70
4	38	41	44	47	50	50
5	16	20	24	27	30	30
6	6	7	8	9	10	10

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\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table II (if the Collateral Obligation is a Senior Unsecured Loan and has no S&P CRR, but other senior secured corporate debt of the same obligor has a S&P CRR): U.S. and Canada Recovery Rates of Corporate Senior Unsecured Debt If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B &amp; CCC</b>
<b>Senior secured recovery ratings</b>	<b>(%)</b>					
1+	53	55	57	59	61	61
1	48	50	52	54	56	56
2	43	45	47	49	51	51
3	39	41	43	45	47	47
4	22	24	26	28	30	30
5	8	10	12	14	15	15
6	4	4	4	4	4	4

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\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table III (if the Collateral Obligation is a subordinated obligation and has no S&P CRR, but other senior secured corporate debt of the same obligor has a S&P CRR): U.S. and Canada Recovery Rates of Corporate Subordinated Debt If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B &amp; CCC</b>
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**Senior secured  
recovery  
ratings****(%)**

1+	25	25	25	25	25	25
1	22	22	22	22	22	22
2	20	20	20	20	20	20
3	20	20	20	20	20	20
4	10	10	10	10	10	10
5	5	5	5	5	5	5
6	2	2	2	2	2	2

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\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table IV (if none of Table I, Table II or Table III is applicable): S&P's U.S. and Canada Tiered Corporate Recovery Rates (for Collateral Obligations that do not have a S&P CRR)**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B &amp; CCC</b>
<b>U.S. loan recovery rates</b>				<b>(%)</b>		
Senior Secured Loans	56	60	64	67	70	70
Senior Secured Loan that is a Cov-Lite Loan	51	54	57	60	63	63
Senior Unsecured Loans and Second Lien Loans	40	42	44	46	48	48
Subordinated Lien Loans	22	22	22	22	22	22
Senior Secured Bonds	48	49	50	51	52	52
Unsecured Bonds	38	41	42	44	45	45
Subordinated Bonds	19	19	19	19	19	19

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\* As of the Closing Date.

\*\* The Aggregate Principal Balance of all Second Lien Loans without a S&P CRR (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that, in the aggregate, represent up to 15% of the Maximum Amount will have the S&P Recovery Rate specified for Second Lien Loans in the table above. The Aggregate Principal Balance of all Second Lien Loans without a S&P CRR (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) in excess of 15% of the Maximum Amount will have the S&P Recovery Rate specified for Subordinated Lien Loans in the table above.

**Table V (if the Structured Finance Obligation is the senior-most tranche of securities issued by the issuer of, or obligor on, such Structured Finance Obligation): S&P's Ratings of Collateral Obligations at the Date of Issuance**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>CCC</b>
<b>Recovery Rate by S&amp;P's Rating of Class of Notes on the Applicable Measurement Date</b>							
AAA	80.00%	85.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%
AA	70.00%	75.00%	85.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%
A	60.00%	65.00%	75.00%	85.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%
BBB	50.00%	55.00%	65.00%	75.00%	85.00%	85.00%	85.00%
BB	45.00%	50.00%	55.00%	65.00%	75.00%	75.00%	75.00%
B	25.00%	30.00%	50.00%	55.00%	65.00%	65.00%	50.00%
CCC	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	5.00%	10.00%	10.00%

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\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table VI (if the Structured Finance Obligation is not the senior-most tranche of securities issued by the issuer of, or obligor on, such Structured Finance Obligation): S&P's Ratings of Collateral Obligations at the Date of Issuance**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>CCC</b>
<b>Recovery Rate by S&amp;P's Rating of Class of Notes on the Applicable Measurement Date</b>							
AAA	65.00%	70.00%	80.00%	85.00%	85.00%	85.00%	85.00%
AA	55.00%	65.00%	75.00%	80.00%	80.00%	80.00%	80.00%
A	40.00%	45.00%	55.00%	65.00%	80.00%	80.00%	80.00%
BBB	30.00%	35.00%	40.00%	45.00%	50.00%	60.00%	70.00%
BB	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%	25.00%	35.00%	40.00%	50.00%
B	2.50%	5.00%	5.00%	10.00%	10.00%	20.00%	25.00%
CCC	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	2.50%	5.00%	5.00%

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\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table VII: European Tiered Corporate Recovery Rates (By Asset Class And CDO Liability Rating)**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b> <b>CDO liability rating</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B &amp; CCC</b>
<b>Senior secured loans (%)</b>						
Group A	68	73	78	81	85	85
Group B	56	60	64	67	70	70
Group C	48	51	55	57	60	60
<b>Senior Secured Loan that is a Cov-Lite Loan (%)</b>						
Group A	61	66	70	73	77	77
Group B	50	54	58	60	63	63
Group C	43	46	49	52	54	54
<b>Mezz./second-lien/senior unsecured loans (%)</b>						
Group A	45	47	50	52	54	54
Group B	40	42	44	46	48	48
Group C	35	37	39	40	42	42
<b>Subordinated loans (%)</b>						
Group A	20	20	20	20	20	20
Group B	20	20	20	20	20	20
Group C	17	17	17	17	17	17
<b>Senior secured bonds (%)</b>						
Group A	60	61	62	63	64	64
Group B	48	49	50	51	52	52
Group C	43	44	45	46	47	47
<b>Senior unsecured bonds (%)</b>						
Group A	40	42	44	46	48	48
Group B	38	41	42	44	45	45
Group C	32	35	36	38	39	40
<b>Subordinated bonds (%)</b>						
Group A	18	18	18	18	18	18
Group B	18	18	18	18	18	18
Group C	15	15	15	15	15	15



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\* As of the Closing Date.

\*\* Group A: U.K., Ireland, Finland, Denmark, South Africa, Australia, New Zealand and The Netherlands. Group B: Belgium, Germany, Austria, Spain, Portugal, Luxembourg, Switzerland, Sweden, Norway, Hong Kong and Singapore. Group C: France, Italy, Greece, Japan, Korea and Taiwan.

**Table VIII: Group A Europe and Asia Recovery If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B & CCC
<b>CDO liability rating</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
<b>Senior unsecured debt</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	65	68	71	73	76	76
1	57	60	63	65	68	68
2	50	53	55	57	59	59
3	42	45	47	49	51	51
4	18	18	18	18	18	18
5	8	8	8	8	8	8
6	4	4	4	4	4	4
<b>Subordinated debt</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	22	22	22	22	22	22
1	20	20	20	20	20	20
2	18	18	18	18	18	18
3	18	18	18	18	18	18
4	9	9	9	9	9	9
5	4	4	4	4	4	4
6	2	2	2	2	2	2

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\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table IX: Group B Europe and Asia Recovery If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B & CCC
<b>CDO liability rating</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
<b>Senior unsecured debt</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	53	55	57	59	61	61

1	48	50	52	54	56	56
2	43	45	47	49	51	51
3	39	41	43	45	47	47
4	18	18	18	18	18	18
5	8	8	8	8	8	8
6	4	4	4	4	4	4
<b>Subordinated debt</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	22	22	22	22	22	22
1	20	20	20	20	20	20
2	18	18	18	18	18	18
3	18	18	18	18	18	18
4	9	9	9	9	9	9
5	4	4	4	4	4	4
6	2	2	2	2	2	2

\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table X: Group C Europe and Asia Recovery If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B &amp; CCC</b>
<b>CDO liability rating</b>						
<b>Senior unsecured debt</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	45	46	48	49	51	51
1	41	43	44	46	47	48
2	37	39	41	42	44	44
3	33	36	37	39	40	41
4	16	16	16	16	16	16
5	6	6	6	6	6	6
6	3	3	3	3	3	3
<b>Subordinated debt</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	20	20	20	20	20	20
1	17	17	17	17	17	17
2	15	15	15	15	15	15
3	15	15	15	15	15	15
4	8	8	8	8	8	8
5	3	3	3	3	3	3
6	1	1	1	1	1	1

\* As of the Closing Date.

In all recovery rate tables above, Note rating categories below "AAA" include rating subcategories (for example, the "AA" column also applies to Notes rated "AA+" and "AA-").

***S&P Unrated DIP Loan:*** A DIP Loan acquired by the Issuer that does not have a rating assigned by S&P and for which the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P (as specified in the definition of "DIP Loan").

***S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate:*** means, as of any Measurement Date, the number, expressed as a percentage, obtained for each Class of Notes according to the rating assigned to such Class of Notes by Standard & Poor's by:

- (a) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective S&P Recovery Rate;
- (b) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations; and
- (c) rounding up to the first decimal place.

***Sale:*** The meaning specified in Section 5.17.

***Sale Proceeds:*** All proceeds received (including any proceeds received with respect to any associated interest rate swap or security providing fixed annuity payments ) with respect to Collateral Obligations or other Pledged Obligations as a result of their sales or other dispositions less any reasonable expenses expended by the Servicer or the Trustee in connection with the sales or other dispositions, which shall be paid from such proceeds notwithstanding their characterization otherwise as Administrative Expenses.

***Schedule of Collateral Obligations:*** The Collateral Obligations listed on Schedule 1, which schedule shall include with respect to each listed Collateral Obligation:

- (A) the name of the obligor and a unique Loan or other instrument identifier;
- (B) the purchase price;
- (C) the Principal Balance;
- (D) the classification (including whether the Collateral Obligation is a Loan, a High-Yield Bond, a Synthetic Security, a Participation, a Structured Finance Obligation, a Revolving Loan or a Delayed Drawdown Loan);
- (E) the funded amount (stated as a percentage) in respect of a Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or a Delayed Drawdown Loan;
- (F) the coupon or spread (as applicable);

- (G) the Stated Maturity;
- (H) the Moody's Rating;
- (I) the S&P Rating; and
- (J) the CUSIP and any ISIN, if applicable,

as the schedule may be amended from time to time to reflect the release of Collateral Obligations pursuant to Section 10 and the inclusion of Collateral Obligations as provided in Section 12.2.

***Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date:*** November 1, 2021.

***Second Lien Loan:*** A Loan that (i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinated in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan other than a Senior Secured Loan with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such Loan, (ii) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest in or lien on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan, which specified collateral does not consist solely of common stock or shares issued by the obligor or any of its Affiliates or intangible assets and (iii) if such Loan does not have an S&P Recovery Rate assigned as part of a credit estimate, so long as such credit estimate is in effect, then, solely for purposes of determining the S&P Recovery Rate for such Loan, in the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment (with such judgment being made in good faith by the Servicer at the time of such Loan's purchase), the specified collateral for such Loan has a value not less than the outstanding Principal Amount of all debt senior to such Loan plus the S&P Recovery Rate applicable to such Loan, which value may be derived from, among other things, the enterprise value of the issuer of such Loans (**provided** that the provisions of the clause (iii) may be amended at any time, subject to Rating Confirmation from S&P, or in order to conform to S&P's then-current criteria for such Loans).

***Secondary Risk Counterparty:*** Any Participating Institution and any Securities Lending Counterparty.

***Secondary Risk Table:*** With respect to Moody's, the table below:

<b>Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty</b>	<b>Individual Counterparty Limit</b>	<b>Aggregate Counterparty Limit</b>
Aaa or below	20.0%	20.0%
Aa1 or below	10.0%	10.0%
Aa2 or below	10.0%	10.0%

Aa3 or below	10.0%	10.0%
A1 or below	5.0%	10.0%
A2 or below	0.0%	0.0%

With respect to S&P, the table below:

<b>Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty</b>	<b>Individual Counterparty Limit</b>	<b>Aggregate Counterparty Limit</b>
AAA	20.0%	20.0%
AA+/AA/AA-	10.0%	20.0%
A+	5.0%	20.0%
A or below	0.0%	0.0%

If any Secondary Risk Counterparty's long-term senior unsecured debt rating or short-term rating is on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P, then for the purposes of the table above, its rating by the Rating Agency putting its rating on credit watch shall be one rating notch lower for that Rating Agency.

**Section 3(c)(7):** Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act.

**Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice:** A notice from the Issuer to the Noteholders (to be delivered in accordance with Sections 10.6(a) and (b)) substantially in the form of Exhibit G-1.

**Secured High-Yield Bond:** A High-Yield Bond that is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**Secured Loan:** A Loan that is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**Secured Obligations:** The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**Secured Parties:** The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**Securities:** The Notes and the Preference Shares.

**Securities Account:** The meaning specified in Section 8-501(a) of the UCC.

**Securities Act:** The United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

**Securities Intermediary:** Any clearing corporation or any Person, including a bank or broker, that in the ordinary course of its business maintains Securities Accounts for others and is acting in that capacity.

***Securities Lending Account:*** The Securities Account established pursuant to Section 10.3(f).

***Securities Lending Agreements:*** The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

***Securities Lending Collateral:*** The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

***Securities Lending Counterparty:*** The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

***Security Entitlement:*** The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(17) of the UCC.

***Selected Collateral Quality Tests:*** The Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Life Test (after taking into consideration any applicable Maturity Extension), the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the Diversity Test.

***Senior Secured High-Yield Bond:*** A Secured High-Yield Bond that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a first priority security interest in collateral that in the opinion of the Servicer has value at least equal to the amount of the High-Yield Bond.

***Senior Secured Loan:*** A Secured Loan that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a valid and perfected first priority security interest in collateral that in the opinion of the Servicer has value at least equal to the amount of the Loan **plus** the aggregate outstanding balances of all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by the same collateral and that is not a DIP Loan.

***Senior Servicing Fee:*** A fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.30% *per annum* of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Senior Servicing Fee shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

***Senior Unsecured High-Yield Bond:*** A High-Yield Bond that is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

***Senior Unsecured Loan:*** A Loan that is not a Senior Secured Loan and is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

***Servicer:*** Highland Capital Management, L.P., and any successor Servicer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement.

**Servicing Agreement:** The Servicing Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Servicer, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**Servicing Fee Portion:** 100% **minus** a percentage (between 0% and 100%) selected by the Servicer in its sole discretion and reported to the Trustee in writing on or before the related Determination Date, **provided** that, with respect to the Payment Date in May 2008, such percentage shall, at a minimum, include amounts that would otherwise constitute a portion (representing the Class II Preference Share Percentage) of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Closing Date to February 3, 2008.

**Servicing Fees:** Collectively, the Senior Servicing Fee, the Subordinated Servicing Fee and the Supplemental Servicing Fee.

**Share Trustee:** Maples Finance Limited.

**Share Registrar:** Maples Finance Limited or any successor thereto.

**Special Redemption:** The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**Special Redemption Amount:** The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**Special Redemption Date:** The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**Spread Excess:** As of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose:

- (i) numerator is the product of:
  - (A) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date over the Minimum Weighted Average Spread specified in the applicable row of the Ratings Matrix, and
  - (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date, and
- (ii) denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Spread Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Fixed Rate Excess were equal to zero.

**Stated Maturity:** With respect to any Collateral Obligation, the maturity date specified in it or the applicable Underlying Instrument (or, if earlier, the first date on which any Person may be required by the Issuer to repurchase the entire principal amount of the

Collateral Obligation at or above par) and with respect to the Notes of any Class, November 1, 2021 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date. Unless otherwise specified, "Stated Maturity" means the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

***Structured Finance Obligation:*** Any obligation (other than the Notes or any other security or obligation issued by the Issuer):

- (i) secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool of receivables or other assets of U.S. obligors, or obligors organized or incorporated in Moody's Group I Countries, Moody's Group II Countries, Moody's Group III Countries or Tax Advantaged Jurisdictions, including portfolio credit default swaps and collateralized debt obligations, but excludes:
  - (A) asset-backed securities;
  - (B) collateralized debt obligations backed by Emerging Market Securities;
  - (C) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by asset-backed securities;
  - (D) market value collateralized debt obligations;
  - (E) securities backed by "future flow" receivables;
  - (F) securities backed by "trust preferred securities;"
  - (G) net interest margin securitizations;
  - (H) collateralized debt obligations a significant portion of which are backed by bonds; and
  - (I) obligations secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool of receivables or other assets where the obligors with respect to such receivables or other assets are non-corporate credit risks; provided that, for the avoidance of doubt, collateralized loan obligations shall not be excluded by this clause (I);
- (ii) that has an S&P Rating;
- (iii) that has a rating and a Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate assigned by Moody's; and
- (iv) whose ownership or disposition (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) by the Issuer will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.



In connection with the purchase of a Structured Finance Obligation, the Servicer shall obtain from Moody's the applicable Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate.

For purposes of the Diversity Test, multiple Structured Finance Obligations from CDOs serviced by the same Servicer or multiple Structured Finance Obligations issued by the same master trust will be considered to be obligations of one issuer.

***Subordinated High-Yield Bond:*** A Secured High-Yield Bond secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

***Subordinated Lien Loan:*** A Secured Loan (other than a Second Lien Loan) secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

***Subordinated Servicing Fee:*** An amount equal to the sum of (i) a fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.25% per annum of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments and (ii) on any Payment Date that any part of the Subordinated Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period **plus** 3.00% per annum. The portion of the Subordinated Servicing Fee in clauses (i) and (ii) above, as applicable, shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

***Successor Entity:*** The meaning specified in Section 7.10.

***Super Majority:*** With respect to any Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

***Supplemental Servicing Fee:*** On each Payment Date, the fee payable to the Servicer in an amount equal to: (i) 20% of the remaining Interest Proceeds, if any, available after making the distributions on such Payment Date pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(i)(23) of the Priority of Payments and (ii) 20% of the remaining Principal Proceeds, if any, available for payment in respect of the Supplemental Servicing Fee pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(C)(11)(A) of the Priority of Payments and, if applicable, Section 11.1(a)(ii)(C)(14) of the Priority of Payments.

***Synthetic Letter of Credit:*** An obligation that is a synthetic or pre-funded letter of credit or includes or supports a letter of credit.

***Synthetic Security:*** Any swap transaction (including any LCDS Security), structured bond, credit linked note or other derivative financial instrument providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a debt instrument (but excluding any such instrument relating directly to a basket or portfolio of debt instruments) or an index or indices (such as the "SAMI" index published by Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC) in connection with a basket or portfolio of debt instruments or other similar instruments entered into by the Issuer with a

Synthetic Security Counterparty that has in the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment, equivalent expected loss characteristics (those characteristics, *credit risk*) to those of the related Reference Obligations (taking account of those considerations as they relate to the Synthetic Security Counterparty), if (i) it is either a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied, and (ii) the Reference Obligations thereof have a Market Value equal to at least 85% of the Principal Balance of the Reference Obligation at the time the Synthetic Security is entered into.

Each Synthetic Security that is a credit default swap the Reference Obligation of which are Loans shall require each such Reference Obligation to be denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars.

The maturity, interest rate, and other non-credit characteristics of a Synthetic Security may be different from the Reference Obligations to which the credit risk of the Synthetic Security relates.

No Synthetic Security shall result in the Issuer being a "buyer" of credit protection.

The term Synthetic Security shall not include any Structured Finance Obligation or any Participation, but the Reference Obligation of a Synthetic Security may be a Structured Finance Obligation.

Each Synthetic Security Agreement shall contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those contained in this Indenture.

The ownership or disposition of any Synthetic Security (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) must not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

Unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" under any proposed Synthetic Security must not provide that its transfer to the Issuer is subject to obtaining any consents and must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation and satisfy the Concentration Limitations under this Indenture, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event" and if the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security is a Senior Secured Loan then the "deliverable obligation" under the Synthetic Security must also be a Senior Secured Loan.

No Synthetic Security may provide for any event other than bankruptcy or a failure to pay as a "credit event."

No Synthetic Security shall provide for termination by the Synthetic Security Counterparty at any time (i) after a declaration of acceleration of Maturity of the Notes has been made upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, unless such declaration and its consequences may no longer be rescinded and annulled in accordance with Section 5.2(c) and liquidation of the Collateral has begun or (ii) upon an Optional Redemption, unless the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date has passed and no notice of withdrawal has been issued.

For purposes of the Coverage Tests and the Retention Overcollateralization Test, unless the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied in respect of any proposed alternative treatment, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligation.

With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, for purposes of: (i) calculating compliance with the Diversity Test, the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test, and the Concentration Limitations (other than limits relating to payment characteristics and except for clauses (17) and (17)(a) of the definition of "Concentration Limitations"), and all related definitions, and (ii) any other provision or definition of this Indenture involving a determination with respect to a Reference Obligation, the characteristics of such Reference Obligations shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each such Reference Obligation in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation. In addition, each Reference Obligation under such Synthetic Security shall be assigned a Moody's Rating Factor

equal to the sum of the Moody's Rating Factor of (i) the related Reference Obligor, (ii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty of such Synthetic Security and (iii) the Synthetic Security Collateral of such Synthetic Security. In addition, the Moody's Priority Category Rate in respect of a Synthetic Security referencing multiple Reference Obligations pursuant to this paragraph shall be the Moody's Priority Category Rate as assigned by Moody's to each Reference Obligation underlying such Synthetic Security. For the avoidance of doubt, Reference Obligations upon which a Synthetic Security is based as described in this paragraph must meet the definition of "Collateral Obligation" to the extent provided in this definition.

If the Rating Condition must be satisfied to execute the purchase of any Synthetic Security, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall give each applicable Rating Agency not less than five days' prior notice of the purchase of or entry into any Synthetic Security.

***Synthetic Security Agreement:*** The documentation governing any Synthetic Security.

***Synthetic Security Collateral:*** With respect to any Synthetic Security, amounts posted to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account by the Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its obligations under the Synthetic Security, including (i) all Eligible Investments that mature no later than the Stated Maturity or (ii) floating rate credit card securitizations that are rated "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, (that mature no later than the Stated Maturity) in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account that are purchased with Synthetic Security Collateral; provided that any amounts described in clause (ii) above shall be hedged by a guaranteed investment contract or a total return swap which shall be subject to Rating Confirmation by S&P.

***Synthetic Security Collateral Account:*** The Securities Account established pursuant to Section 10.3(e).

***Synthetic Security Counterparty:*** An entity required to make payments on a Synthetic Security to the extent that a Reference Obligor makes payments on a related Reference Obligation.

***Synthetic Security Counterparty Account:*** The Securities Account established pursuant to Section 10.5.

***Synthetic Security Reserve Account:*** The Securities Account established pursuant to Section 10.3(k).

***Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction:*** One of the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the Netherlands Antilles or the tax advantaged jurisdiction of the Channel Islands, or such other jurisdiction that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto; **provided** that any Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction that is the jurisdiction of organization of an obligor of a Collateral Obligation other than obligors that are special purpose vehicles or issuers of Structured Finance Obligations shall have a Moody's

foreign currency rating of at least "Aa2" and a S&P foreign currency rating of at least "AA-".

**Tax Event:** An event that occurs if:

- (i) (A) one or more Collateral Obligations that were not subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them have become subject to withholding tax (***New Withholding Tax Obligations***) (other than a withholding tax on fees received with respect to a letter of credit) or the rate of withholding has increased on one or more Collateral Obligations that were subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them (***Increased Rate Withholding Tax Obligations***) and (B) in any Due Period, the aggregate of the payments subject to withholding tax on New Withholding Tax Obligations and the increase in payments subject to withholding tax on Increased Rate Withholding Tax Obligations, in each case to the extent not "grossed-up" (on an after-tax basis) by the related obligor, represent 5% or more of Interest Proceeds for the Due Period;
- (ii) taxes, fees, assessments, or other similar charges are imposed on the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in an aggregate amount in any twelve-month period in excess of U.S.\$2,000,000, other than any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax with respect to any payment owing in respect of any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation; or
- (iii) if the Issuer is at the time treated as a pass-through entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes, investors in the Preference Shares who are non-U.S. Persons not otherwise subject to U.S. net income tax are or have become subject to U.S. net income taxation in respect of income of the Issuer in an amount in excess of 10% of the net income of the Issuer in any twelve-month period.

**Tax Opinion of Counsel:** A written opinion addressed to the Issuer (a copy of which will be provided to the Trustee) and, if requested, each Rating Agency that has made such request, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and each Rating Agency, issued by a nationally recognized law firm reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee, which law firm is experienced in the relevant areas of tax law, and which law firm may be counsel for the Servicer or the Issuer.

**Transaction Reports:** The meaning specified in Section 14.4.

**Transfer Agent:** The Person or Persons, which may be the Issuer, authorized by the Issuer to exchange or register the transfer of Notes.

**Transferee Certificate:** A certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B-1, duly completed as appropriate.

***Treasury Regulations:*** The regulations, including proposed or temporary regulations, promulgated under the Code. References herein to specific provisions of proposed or temporary regulations shall include analogous provisions of final Treasury Regulations or other successor Treasury Regulations.

***Trust Officer:*** When used with respect to the Trustee, any officer in the Corporate Trust Office (or any successor group of the Trustee) including any director, vice president, assistant vice president, associate, or any other officer of the Trustee customarily performing functions similar to those performed by such officers in the Corporate Trust Office, or to whom any corporate trust matter is referred at the Corporate Trust Office because of his knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject and having direct responsibility for the administration of this Indenture.

***Trustee:*** As defined in the first sentence of this Indenture.

***UCC:*** The Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the State of New York, and as amended from time to time.

***Uncertificated Security:*** The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(18) of the UCC.

***Underlying Instrument:*** The loan agreement, indenture, credit agreement, or other agreement pursuant to which a Pledged Obligation has been issued or created and each other agreement that governs the terms of or secures the obligations represented by the Pledged Obligation or of which the holders of the Pledged Obligation are the beneficiaries.

***Unfunded Amount:*** With respect to any Revolving Loan or any Delayed Drawdown Loan at any time, the excess, if any, of (a) the commitment amount thereof over (b) the Funded Amount thereof.

***Unfunded Synthetic Security:*** A Synthetic Security with respect to which the Issuer has an obligation to make payments after it acquires such Synthetic Security.

***Unregistered Securities:*** The meaning specified in Section 5.17(c).

***Unscheduled Principal Payments:*** Any principal payments received with respect to a Collateral Obligation as a result of optional redemptions, exchange offers, tender offers, other payments or prepayments made at the option of the issuer thereof or that are otherwise not scheduled to be made thereunder.

***Valuation Report:*** The meaning specified in Section 10.6(b).

***Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon:*** As of any Measurement Date, the rate obtained by:

- (i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Fixed Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per



- annum rate at which it pays interest (other than, with respect to Collateral Obligations that are not PIK Securities, any interest that is not required to be paid in Cash and may be deferred), using only the effective after-tax interest rate determined by the Servicer on any Fixed Rate Obligation after taking into account any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction and any gross-up paid by the obligor);
- (ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);
  - (iii) dividing the sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations that are Fixed Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and
  - (iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, adding to the sum the amount of any Spread Excess as of the Measurement Date, but only to the extent required to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test.

**Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test:** A test that is satisfied if, as of any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 7.5%.

**Weighted Average Life:** As of any Measurement Date, the number obtained by

- (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying
  - (A) the Average Life at that time of each Collateral Obligation by
  - (B) the Principal Balance at that time of the Collateral Obligation and
- (ii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance at that time of all Collateral Obligations.

**Weighted Average Life Test:** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the greater of (a) the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and November 1, 2017 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date and (b) 3.0 years.

**Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor:** The summation of the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation (excluding Eligible Investments) by its respective Moody's Rating Factor, dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) and rounding the result up to the nearest whole number.

**Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test:** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody's Weighted Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 43.6 %.

**Weighted Average Rating Factor Test:** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of such Measurement Date is less than or equal to (x) the Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor **plus** (y) the Moody's Weighted Average Rating Factor Recovery Rate Modifier.

**Weighted Average Spread:** As of any Measurement Date, a rate obtained by:

- (i) **multiplying** the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Floating Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum contract spread at which it pays interest (which (w) for PIK Securities for which interest has been deferred or capitalized, will be deemed to be zero, (x) for Collateral Obligations that would be PIK Securities but for the proviso in the definition thereof, will be deemed to be equal to the effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest applicable thereto, (y) for any Revolving Loan or Delayed Draw Loan, will be the per annum contract spread for the Funded Amount thereof and the rate of the commitment fee and such other fees payable to the Issuer for any Unfunded Amount thereof, and (z) for any Synthetic Letter of Credit, will be the all-in rate (including any fees (net of any taxes required to be paid by the Issuer under this Indenture) payable to the Issuer by the underlying obligor **minus** the applicable LIBOR, calculated net of any taxes that could be, or have been, withheld in respect thereof (unless the payer is obligated to indemnify the Issuer for any taxes so withheld) determined with respect to any Floating Rate Obligation that does not bear interest based on a London interbank offered rate, by expressing the current interest rate on the Floating Rate Obligation as a spread above a three month London interbank offered rate calculated in a manner consistent with the calculation of LIBOR;
- (ii) **summing** the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);
- (iii) **dividing** that sum **by** the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and
- (iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to pass the Weighted Average Spread Test, **adding** to that sum the amount of Fixed Rate Excess as of the Measurement Date.

**Weighted Average Spread Test:** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds (x) the Minimum Weighted Average Spread **minus** (y) the Moody's Weighted Average Spread Recovery Modifier.

**Workout Assets:** A Loan, High-Yield Bond, or Qualified Equity Security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation that the Issuer does not advance any funds to purchase that does not qualify as a Collateral Obligation.



**Written-Down Obligation:** As of any date of determination, any Structured Finance Obligation as to which the Issuer or the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, has been notified by the issuer of the Structured Finance Obligation that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Structured Finance Obligation and all other Structured Finance Obligations secured by the same pool of collateral that rank *pari passu* with or senior in priority of payment to the Structured Finance Obligation exceeds the aggregate principal balance (including reserved interest or other amounts available for overcollateralization) of all collateral securing the Structured Finance Obligation and such other *pari passu* and senior Structured Finance Obligations (excluding defaulted collateral).

**Zero-Coupon Security:** A security that, at the time of determination, does not make periodic payments of interest. A Zero-Coupon Security shall not include a security that is a PIK Security.

## **1.2 Assumptions as to Pledged Obligations; Construction Conventions**

This Section 1.2 shall be applied in connection with all calculations required to be made pursuant to this Indenture:

- with respect to the scheduled payment of principal or interest on any Pledged Obligation, or any payments on any other assets included in the Collateral,
- with respect to the sale of and acquisition of Collateral Obligations,
- with respect to the income that can be earned on the scheduled payment of principal or interest on the Pledged Obligations and on any other amounts that may be received for deposit in the Collection Account, and
- with respect to the treatment of Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement.

The provisions of this Section 1.2 shall be applicable to any determination or calculation that is covered by this Section 1.2, whether or not reference is specifically made to Section 1.2, unless some other method of calculation or determination is expressly specified in the particular provision.

- (a) All calculations with respect to the scheduled payment of principal or interest on the Pledged Obligations shall be made on the basis of information as to the terms of each Pledged Obligation and on reports of payments received on the Pledged Obligation that are furnished by or on behalf of the issuer of the Pledged Obligation and, to the extent they are not manifestly in error, the information or report may be conclusively relied on in making the calculations.
- (b) For each Due Period and as of any Measurement Date, the scheduled payment of principal or interest on any Pledged Obligation shall be the sum of

- (i) the total amount of payments and collections reasonably expected to be received during the Due Period in respect of the Pledged Obligation that, if paid as scheduled, will be available for payment on the Notes and of certain expenses of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer in the Collection Account at the end of the Due Period; and
- (ii) any such amounts received in prior Due Periods that were not disbursed on a previous Payment Date.

Except as provided in paragraph (h) below, a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation shall be assumed to have a scheduled payment of principal and interest of zero.

The total amount of payments and collections reasonably expected to be received includes the proceeds of the sale of the Pledged Obligation received and, in the case of sales which have not yet settled, to be received during the Due Period and not used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Synthetic Security Reserve Account, the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty, Securities Lending Counterparty, or Hedge Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security, Securities Lending Agreement, or Hedge Agreement) or Eligible Investments or retained in the Collection Account for subsequent application thereof to purchase additional Collateral Obligations pursuant to Section 12.2.

- (c) For purposes of the applicable determinations required by Section 12 and the definition of "Interest Coverage Ratio," the expected interest on Collateral Obligations shall be calculated using their then current interest rates.
- (d) With respect to any Collateral Obligation, the date on which it "matures" (or its "maturity" date) shall be the earlier of
  - (i) the stated maturity of the obligation or
  - (ii) if the Issuer has the right to require the issuer or obligor of the Collateral Obligation to purchase, redeem, or retire the Collateral Obligation at a price of at least par on any one or more dates before its Stated Maturity (a "put right") and the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that it will cause the Issuer to direct the Trustee to exercise the put right on a date, the maturity date shall be the date specified in the certification.
- (e) For purposes of calculating compliance with the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), the Coverage Tests, and the Retention Overcollateralization Test and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the Reference

Obligation. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligations.

- (f) Any Collateral Obligation loaned to a Securities Lending Counterparty shall be included in the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests, and the Retention Overcollateralization Test and the Principal Balance of any Collateral Obligation loaned to a Securities Lending Counterparty shall be included in the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations, in each case unless an "event of default" (under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing.
- (g) If a Class of Notes ceases to be Outstanding, then any Coverage Test computed by reference to the Class of Notes (but not to any subordinate Class of Notes then Outstanding) shall cease to be of any force.
- (h) For purposes of calculating compliance with the Eligibility Criteria (other than the Weighted Average Life Test), at the direction of the Servicer by notice to the Trustee, during the Replacement Period any Eligible Investment representing Principal Proceeds received upon the maturity, redemption, sale, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation (or, after the Replacement Period, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations) shall be deemed to have the characteristics of the disposed Collateral Obligation until used to purchase an additional Collateral Obligation. The calculations shall be based on the Principal Balance of the disposed Collateral Obligations except in the case of Defaulted Collateral Obligations and Credit Risk Securities, in which case the calculations will be based on the Principal Proceeds received on the disposition or sale of the Defaulted Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation.
- (i) The calculation on any Coverage Test on any Determination Date shall be made by giving effect to all payments to be made pursuant to all subclauses of the Priority of Payments as applicable, payable on the Payment Date following such Determination Date. In addition no Principal Proceeds will be used to pay a subordinated Class on a Payment Date if, after giving effect to such payment, any Coverage Test of a more senior Class of Notes is failing on such Payment Date or would fail as a result of such application of the Principal Proceeds on such Payment Date.

### 1.3 Rules of Interpretation

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture or unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

- (a) Defined terms include, as appropriate, all genders and the plural as well as the singular.
- (b) References to designated articles, sections, subsections, exhibits, and other subdivisions of this Indenture, such as "Section 6.13 (a)", refer to the designated article, section, subsection, exhibit, or other subdivision of this Indenture as a whole and to all subdivisions of the designated article, section, subsection, exhibit, or other subdivision. The words "herein", "hereof", "hereto", "hereunder" and other words of similar import refer to this Indenture as a whole and not to any particular article, section, exhibit, or other subdivision of this Indenture.
- (c) Any term that relates to a document or a statute, rule, or regulation includes any amendments, modifications, supplements, or any other changes that may have occurred since the document, statute, rule, or regulation came into being, including changes that occur after the date of this Indenture. References to law are not limited to statutes. Any reference to any Person includes references to its successors and assigns.
- (d) Any party may execute any of the requirements under this Indenture either directly or through others, and the right to cause something to be done rather than doing it directly shall be implicit in every requirement under this Indenture. Unless a provision is restricted as to time or limited as to frequency, all provisions under this Indenture are implicitly available and things may happen from time to time.
- (e) The term "including" and all its variations mean "including but not limited to." Except when used in conjunction with the word "either", the word "or" is always used inclusively (for example, the phrase "A or B" means "A or B or both", not "either A or B but not both").
- (f) A reference to "a thing" or "any of a thing" does not imply the existence or occurrence of the thing referred to even though not followed by "if any", and "any of a thing" is any and all of it. A reference to the plural of anything as to which there could be either one or more than one does not imply the existence of more than one (for instance, the phrase "the obligors on a note" means "the obligor or obligors on a note"). "Until something occurs" does not imply that it must occur, and will not be modified by the word "unless." The word "due" and the word "payable" are each used in the sense that the stated time for payment has passed. The word "accrued" is used in its accounting sense, i.e., an amount paid is no longer accrued. In the calculation of amounts of things, differences and sums may generally result in negative numbers, but when the calculation of the excess of

one thing over another results in zero or a negative number, the calculation is disregarded and an "excess" does not exist. Portions of things may be expressed as fractions or percentages interchangeably. The word "shall" is used in its imperative sense, as for instance meaning a party agrees to something or something must occur or exist.

- (g) All accounting terms used in an accounting context and not otherwise defined, and accounting terms partly defined in this Indenture, to the extent not completely defined, shall be construed in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. To the extent that the definitions of accounting terms in this Indenture are inconsistent with their meanings under generally accepted accounting principles, the definitions contained in this Indenture shall control.
- (h) In the computation of a period of time from a specified date to a later specified date or an open-ended period, the words "from" and "beginning" mean "from and including", the word "after" means "from but excluding," the words "to" and "until" mean "to but excluding", and the word "through" means "to and including." Likewise, in setting deadlines or other periods, "by" means "on or before." The words "preceding", "following", "before", "after", "next" and words of similar import, mean immediately preceding or following. References to a month or a year refer to calendar months and calendar years.
- (i) Any reference to the enforceability of any agreement against a party means that it is enforceable against the party in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, and other similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles.
- (j) Except when only the registered Holder is recognized, such as in Section 2.9., references to Noteholders, Holders, and the like refer equally to beneficial owners who have an interest in a Note but are not reflected in the Indenture Register as the owner.

## 2. THE NOTES

### 2.1 Forms Generally

The Notes and the Trustee's or Authenticating Agent's certificate of authentication on them (the ***Certificate of Authentication***) shall be in substantially the forms required by this Section, with appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions, and other variations required or permitted by this Indenture, and may have any letters, numbers, or other marks of identification and any legends or endorsements on them that are consistent with this Indenture, as determined by the Authorized Officers of the Issuer executing the Notes as evidenced by their execution of the Notes.

## 2.2 Forms of Notes and Certificate of Authentication

- (a) The Notes, including the Regulation S Global Notes, Rule 144A Global Notes and Certificate of Authentication, shall be in the forms of the applicable portion of Exhibit A.
- (b) **Regulation S Global Notes.** The Notes of each Class sold to non-U.S. persons in off-shore transactions in reliance on Regulation S shall each be represented by one or more global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit A, including legends (the **Regulation S Global Notes**). The global notes shall be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for the Notes represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, the Depository for the respective accounts of Euroclear and Clearstream, duly executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided. The aggregate principal amount of the Regulation S Global Notes may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee or the Depository or its nominee, as the case may be, as hereinafter provided. As used above and in subsection (d) below, "U.S. person" and "off-shore transaction" have the meanings assigned to them in Regulation S.
- (c) **Rule 144A Global Notes.** The Notes of each Class initially sold to U.S. persons that are Qualified Institutional Buyers and Qualified Purchasers shall each be issued initially in the form of one permanent global note per Class in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit A, including legends (each, a **Rule 144A Global Note**), which shall be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for the Notes represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, the Depository, duly executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided. The aggregate principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Notes may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee or the Depository or its nominee, as the case may be, as hereinafter provided.
- (d) **Book-Entry Provisions.** This Section 2.2(d) shall apply only to Global Notes deposited with or on behalf of the Depository. The "Operating Procedures of the Euroclear System" of Euroclear and the "Terms and Conditions Governing Use of Participants" of Clearstream, respectively, shall be applicable to the Regulation S Global Notes insofar as interests in the Global Notes are held by the Agent Members of Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be.

Agent Members shall have no rights under this Indenture with respect to any Global Note held on their behalf by the Trustee, as custodian for the Depository and the Depository may be treated by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, and any agent of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee as the absolute owner of the Note for all purposes whatsoever. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing in this Indenture shall



prevent the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, or any agent of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee, from giving effect to any written certification, proxy, or other authorization furnished by the Depository or impair, as between the Depository and its Agent Members, the operation of customary practices governing the exercise of the rights of a Holder of any Note.

### 2.3 Authorized Amount; Denominations

- (a) The aggregate principal amount of Notes that may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture is limited to U.S.\$637,000,000, except for Notes authenticated and delivered upon registration of, transfer of, or in exchange for, or in lieu of, other Notes pursuant to Section 2.6, 2.7, or 8.5.
- (b) The Notes shall be divided into the following Classes, having the designations, original principal amounts and other characteristics as follows:

Class	A-1	A-2	B	C	D	E
Original Principal Amount	U.S.\$417,200,000	U.S.\$104,300,000	U.S.\$41,300,000	U.S.\$37,100,000	U.S.\$16,100,000	U.S.\$21,000,000
Interest Rate	LIBOR + 0.32%	LIBOR + 0.60%	LIBOR + 1.00%	LIBOR + 2.00%	LIBOR + 3.50%	LIBOR + 4.00%
Initial Rating (Moody's/S&P)	Aaa/AAA	Aaa/AAA	Aa2/AA	A2/A	Baa2/BBB	Baa3/BBB-

- (c) The Notes will be issuable in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000, and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess of that amount.
- (d) The Issuer will also issue 17,500 Class I Preference Shares and 45,500 Class II Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, simultaneously with the issuance of the Notes under this Indenture. At any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the proceeds from such issuance and sale to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or as otherwise permitted under the Preference Share Documents and this Indenture pursuant to Section 6 of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. The Preference Shares are not secured by the lien of this Indenture. Any payments made by the Trustee hereunder with respect to the Preference Shares (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) will be released by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent on each Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment, subject to Cayman Islands law, to Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends or Redemption Price, as applicable.

## 2.4 Extension of Replacement Period and Stated Maturity

- (a) The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Replacement Period to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date up to a maximum of four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date in accordance with this Section 2.4 and (ii) the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.4(c) are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period to the Trustee no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Notes or Preference Shares or amendment or supplement to this Indenture or the Preference Share Documents (the ***Maturity Extension***); **provided** that the Issuer will not be permitted to effect more than four Maturity Extensions.
- (b) In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Securities wishing to sell such Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to Section 2.4(d) (such Securities as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, ***Extension Sale Securities***). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in connection with an Extension Sale, all, but not part, of the Extension Sale Securities shall be purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date.
- (c) The Maturity Extension shall be effective only if the following conditions (the ***Extension Conditions***) are satisfied:
  - (i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the applicable Extension Effective Date;
  - (ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions in this Indenture and the Preference Share Documents immediately after such purchase and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency);



- (iii) (a) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to S&P (so long as any Notes are then rated by S&P) and (b) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to Moody's (so long as any Notes are then rated by Moody's);
- (iv) the Issuer has not effected more than three prior Extensions; and
- (v) such extension is not effected for the primary purpose of decreasing losses or recognizing gains resulting from market value changes.

The Issuer, the Trustee and, by its acceptance of the Notes, each Noteholder agrees that neither of the Initial Purchasers shall be responsible for causing the Extension Conditions to be satisfied and neither of the Initial Purchasers shall be liable to any such Person or Noteholders (whether or not such Holder gave an Extension Sale Notice with respect to its Notes) or to any other Person if the Extension Conditions are not satisfied. Failure of the Extension Conditions to be satisfied shall not constitute a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture.

(d) Extension Procedure.

- (i) Not later than three Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Issuer of its election to extend the Replacement Period (the ***Extension Notice***), the Trustee shall mail the Extension Notice to all Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding), in the form of Exhibit I, and shall request the Rating Confirmation for the Maturity Extension from each Rating Agency, if applicable;
- (ii) Any Holder of the Securities may deliver an irrevocable notice (an ***Extension Sale Notice***) to the Issuer and the Trustee within 30 days after the Trustee has mailed the Extension Notice (the ***Extension Sale Notice Period***) of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of the Securities that has not delivered such an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be entitled to sell its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension; and
- (iii) If clause (iii)(b) of the Extension Conditions is not satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date as determined by the Issuer (or its agent), the Trustee shall request the Rating Condition to be satisfied with respect to Moody's.

- (e) On the applicable Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or its agent) shall confirm (i) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Extension Sale Securities in compliance with all transfer restrictions in this Indenture and the Preference Share Documents and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (ii) whether the requirements of clause (c)(iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date and (iii) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.
- (f) On each Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension shall automatically become effective under the terms of this Indenture; **provided** that all Extension Conditions set forth in clauses (a) and (c) above are satisfied (as certified to the Trustee by a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer). No later than two Business Days after each Extension Effective Date, the Trustee based on a determination made by the Issuer in consultation with the Servicer, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail a notice to all Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) and the Irish Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class of Notes is listed thereon) confirming whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension became effective, the Issuer shall make any required notifications thereof to the Depository for any Notes subject to the Maturity Extension.
- (g) In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Noteholder, other than a Holder of Extension Sale Securities, shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment. Holders of Preference Shares shall not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

The Extension Bonus Payment shall be payable to any applicable qualifying beneficial owners who have provided the Trustee with an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification on the first Payment Date from and including each Extension Effective Date on which funds are available to be used for such purposes in accordance with Priority of Payments, but in any event, no later than the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption of the Notes. Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments shall not be considered "due and payable" hereunder. The failure to pay any such Extension Bonus Payment on such date shall not be an Event of Default, unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Securities. Unpaid Extension Bonus Payments shall not accrue interest. Such amounts shall be paid, in the case of the Notes, to the accounts designated in the applicable Extension Bonus Eligibility

Certification or, to the extent otherwise required by the rules of any applicable securities exchange or clearing agency, in a manner determined by the Issuer.

- (h) If any Holder of Class II Preference Shares delivers an Extension Sale Notice notifying the Issuer and the Trustee of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Class II Preference Shares, such Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to the Extension Qualifying Purchaser and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares.

## **2.5 Execution, Authentication, Delivery, and Dating**

The Notes shall be executed on behalf of each of the Applicable Issuers by one of their respective Authorized Officers. The signature of the Authorized Officer on the Notes may be manual or facsimile.

Notes bearing the manual or facsimile signatures of individuals who were at any time the Authorized Officers of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, shall bind the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, notwithstanding that any of them have ceased to hold their offices before the authentication and delivery of the Notes or did not hold their offices at the date of issuance of the Notes.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Indenture, the Co-Issuers may deliver the Notes, in each case executed by the Applicable Issuers to the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent for authentication and the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent, upon Issuer Order, shall authenticate and deliver the Notes as provided in this Indenture and not otherwise.

Each Note authenticated and delivered by the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent upon Issuer Order on the Closing Date shall be dated as of the Closing Date. All other Notes that are authenticated after the Closing Date for any other purpose under this Indenture shall be dated the date of their authentication.

Notes issued upon transfer, exchange, or replacement of other Notes shall be issued in authorized denominations reflecting the original Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes so transferred, exchanged, or replaced, but shall represent only the current outstanding principal amount of the Notes so transferred, exchanged, or replaced. If any Note is divided into more than one Note in accordance with this Section 2, the original principal amount of the Note shall be proportionately divided among the Notes delivered in exchange for it and shall be the original aggregate principal amount of the subsequently issued Notes.

No Note shall be entitled to any benefit under this Indenture or be valid or obligatory for any purpose, unless there appears on the Note a Certificate of Authentication executed by the Trustee or by the Authenticating Agent by the manual signature of one of their Authorized Officers, and that certificate on any Note shall be conclusive evidence, and

the only evidence, that the Note has been duly authenticated and delivered under this Indenture.

## **2.6 Registration, Registration of Transfer and Exchange**

- (a) The Issuer shall cause a register (the *Indenture Register*) to be kept in which the Issuer shall provide for the registration of Notes and the registration of transfers of Notes. The Trustee is hereby initially appointed "Indenture Registrar" for the purpose of registering Notes and transfers of the Notes as provided in this Indenture. The Issuer may rely conclusively on any such information provided to it by the Trustee. Upon any resignation or removal of the Indenture Registrar, the Issuer shall promptly appoint a successor and notify the Servicer of the appointment or, in the absence of such appointment, assume the duties of Indenture Registrar.

If the Issuer appoints a Person other than the Trustee to be Indenture Registrar, the Issuer will give the Trustee prompt written notice of the appointment of the Indenture Registrar and of the location, and any change in the location, of the Indenture Register. The Trustee may inspect the Indenture Register at all reasonable times and obtain copies of it. The Trustee may rely on a certificate executed on behalf of the Indenture Registrar by an Officer of the Indenture Registrar as to the names and addresses of the Noteholders and the principal amounts and number of the Notes.

Upon surrender for registration of transfer of any Notes at the office or agency of the Applicable Issuers to be maintained pursuant to Section 7.2, if the requirements of this Indenture are met the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in the name of the designated transferees, new Notes of any authorized denomination and of a like original Aggregate Outstanding Amount.

At the option of their Holder, Notes may be exchanged for Notes of like terms, in any authorized denominations and of like aggregate principal amount, upon surrender of the Notes to be exchanged at the office or agency of the Applicable Issuers to be maintained pursuant to Section 7.2. Whenever any Note is surrendered for exchange, the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, the Notes that the Noteholder making the exchange is entitled to receive.

All Notes issued on any registration of transfer or exchange of Notes shall be the valid obligations of the Applicable Issuers evidencing the same obligations and entitled to the same benefits under this Indenture as the Notes surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

Every Note presented or surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange shall be duly endorsed, or be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form

satisfactory to the Indenture Registrar duly executed by its Holder or his attorney duly authorized in writing.

No Holder shall incur a service charge for any registration of transfer or exchange of the Notes, but the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

- (b) No Note may be sold or transferred (including by pledge or hypothecation) unless the sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, is exempt from the registration requirements under applicable state securities laws, and will not cause either of the Co-Issuers to become subject to the requirement that it register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act. None of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee or any other Person shall have any obligation to register the Notes under the Securities Act or any state securities laws.
- (c)
  - (i) No Note or interest therein may be transferred to any purchaser or transferee if such purchase, holding and disposition of such Note would result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any federal, state, foreign or local law that is substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code).
  - (ii) Any person described in paragraph (i) above is referred to herein as a "Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor." Any transfer of a beneficial interest to a Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor shall be void and any such purported transfer of which the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee has notice may be disregarded by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Trustee for all purposes.
- (d) None of the Trustee, the Share Registrar or the Indenture Registrar shall be responsible for ascertaining whether any transfer complies with, or for otherwise monitoring or determining compliance with, the requirements or terms of the Securities Act, applicable state securities laws, ERISA, the Code or the Investment Company Act; except that if a certificate or any other document is specifically required by this Section 2.6 to be provided to the Trustee or such Registrar by a prospective transferee, the Trustee and such Registrar, as applicable, shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine whether it conforms substantially on its face to the applicable requirements of this Section 2.6.
- (e) For so long as any of the Notes are Outstanding, the Issuer shall not issue or register the transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares to U.S. persons and the Co-Issuer shall not issue or register the transfer of any of its shares of the Co-Issuer to U.S. persons. As used in this subsection (e), "U.S. person" has the meaning assigned to it in Regulation S.

- (f) So long as a Global Note remains Outstanding and is held by or on behalf of the Depository, transfers of the Global Note, in whole or in part, shall only be made in accordance with Section 2.2(c), Section 2.6(c) and this Section 2.6(f).
- (i) Subject to clauses (ii), (iii) and (iv) of this Section 2.6(f), transfers of a Global Note shall be limited to transfers of the Global Note in whole, but not in part, to nominees of the Depository.
  - (ii) **Rule 144A Global Note to Regulation S Global Note.** If a Holder of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note deposited with the Depository wishes at any time to exchange its interest in the Rule 144A Global Note for an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note, or to transfer its interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to a Person who wishes to take delivery of it in the form of an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note, the Holder may exchange or transfer the interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note (subject to the rules and procedures of the Depository) if the Holder after the exchange or transfer is not a U.S. person.

The Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository to reduce the principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Note and to increase the principal amount of the Regulation S Global Note by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to be exchanged, and to credit to the Securities Account of the Person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note equal to the reduction in the principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Note upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of

- (A) instructions given in accordance with the Depository's procedures from an Agent Member directing the Indenture Registrar to credit a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to the Holder's Notes, equal to the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to be exchanged or transferred,
- (B) a written order given in accordance with the Depository's procedures containing information regarding the participant account of the Depository and the Euroclear or Clearstream account to be credited with the increase,
- (C) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-3 given by the Holder of the beneficial interest stating that the exchange or transfer of the interest has been made in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Global Notes, including that the Holder or the transferee, as applicable, is not a U.S. person, and that the transfer



has been made pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S, and

- (D) in the case of a transfer, a certificate in the applicable form of Exhibit B-1 given by the proposed transferee stating that it is not a U.S. person.
- (iii) **Regulation S Global Note to Rule 144A Global Note.** If a Holder of a Note held as a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note deposited with the Depository wishes at any time to exchange its interest in the Regulation S Global Note for an interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note or to transfer its interest in the Regulation S Global Note to a Person who wishes to take delivery of it in the form of an interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note, the Holder may, subject to the rules and procedures of Euroclear, Clearstream or the Depository, as the case may be, exchange or transfer, or cause the exchange or transfer of, the interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note. Upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of:
  - (A) instructions from Euroclear, Clearstream or the Depository, as the case may be, directing the Indenture Registrar to cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note equal to the beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Note, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to the Holder's Notes, to be exchanged or transferred, the instructions to contain information regarding the participant account with the Depository to be credited with the increase,
  - (B) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-2 given by the Holder of the beneficial interest and stating that, in the case of an exchange, the Holder is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser or, in the case of a transfer, the Person transferring the interest in the Regulation S Global Note reasonably believes that the Person acquiring the interest in a Rule 144A Global Note is a Qualified Institutional Buyer, is obtaining the beneficial interest in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction, and a Qualified Purchaser, and
  - (C) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-1 given by the proposed transferee stating that it is a QIB/QP,

the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository to reduce the Regulation S Global Note by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Note to be transferred or

exchanged and the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository, concurrently with the reduction, to credit to the Securities Account of the Person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note equal to the reduction in the principal amount of the Regulation S Global Note.

- (iv) **Other Exchanges.** If a Global Note is exchanged for Notes in definitive registered form without interest coupons pursuant to Section 2.11, the Notes may be exchanged for one another only in accordance with procedures substantially consistent with the provisions above (including certification requirements intended to insure that the transfers are made only to Holders who are QIB/QPs or non-U.S. persons, or otherwise comply with Regulation S, as the case may be), and as may be from time to time adopted by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee.
- (g) [Reserved]
- (h) If the Notes are issued upon the transfer, exchange, or replacement of Notes bearing the applicable legends in the applicable forms in Exhibit A, as applicable, and if a request is made to remove the legend on the Notes, the legend shall not be removed unless the Trustee and the Applicable Issuers received satisfactory evidence, which may include an Opinion of Counsel acceptable to them, reasonably required by the Applicable Issuers (and which shall by its terms permit reliance by the Trustee), to the effect that neither the legend nor the restrictions on transfer in it are required to ensure that transfers of the Notes comply with the Securities Act, the Investment Company Act, ERISA and the Code. Upon provision of satisfactory evidence, the Trustee or its Authenticating Agent, at the written direction of the Applicable Issuers shall, after due execution by the Applicable Issuers authenticate and deliver Notes that do not bear the applicable legend.
- (i) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Section 2.6 to the contrary:
  - (i) **Restrictions on U.S. Transfers.** Transfers of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note that are not made in an offshore transaction pursuant to Regulation S or are made to U.S. persons, if such transferees take delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note, shall be limited to transfers made pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.6(f)(iii) and Section 2.6(f)(iv).
  - (ii) Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may only be held through Euroclear or Clearstream.
- (j) Each Person who becomes a beneficial owner of a Note evidenced by: (A) an interest in a Definitive Note, shall make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in the applicable Transferee Certificate set forth in Exhibit B-



- 1 upon such Person's purchase or other acquisition of the relevant Definitive Note and (B) an interest in a Global Note, shall be deemed to make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in the applicable legends of the Notes set forth in Exhibit A hereto and in the applicable Transferee Certificate set forth in Exhibit B-1 hereto upon such Person's purchase or other acquisition of the relevant Global Note.
- (k) The aggregate principal amount of any Global Note may be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee, as custodian for DTC for the Global Note, which adjustments shall be conclusive as to the aggregate principal amount of any Global Note.
  - (l) Any purported transfer of a Note not in accordance with this Section 2.6 shall be null and void.

## **2.7 Mutilated, Destroyed, Lost or Stolen Notes**

If the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, and the relevant Transfer Agent receive evidence to their satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of any Note, and they receive the security or indemnity they require to hold each of them harmless, or if any mutilated Note is surrendered to a Transfer Agent, then, in the absence of notice to the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, or the Transfer Agent that the Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the Applicable Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver to the Holder, in exchange for the mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Note, a replacement Note, of like tenor and equal principal or face amount.

If, after delivery of the replacement Note or payment on it, a protected purchaser of the predecessor Note presents it for payment, transfer, or exchange, the Applicable Issuers, the Transfer Agent, and the Trustee may recover the replacement Note (or the payment on it) from the Person to whom it was delivered or any Person taking the replacement Note from the Person to whom the replacement Note was delivered or any assignee of that Person, except a protected purchaser, and may recover on the security or indemnity provided therefor to the extent of any loss, damage, cost, or expense incurred by the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, and the Transfer Agent in connection with it.

If the final payment in respect of any mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Note has become payable, the Applicable Issuers in their discretion may, instead of issuing a new Note pay the Note without requiring its surrender except that any mutilated Note shall be surrendered.

Upon the issuance of any new Note under this Section, the Applicable Issuers or the Trustee may require the payment by its holder of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with the issuance and any other expenses (including the fees and expenses of the Trustee) connected with it.

Every new Note issued pursuant to this Section in replacement for any mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Note shall be an original additional contractual obligation of the Applicable Issuers and the new Note shall be entitled to all the benefits of this Indenture equally and proportionately with all other Notes of the same Class duly issued under this Indenture, as applicable.

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

## **2.8 Payment of Principal, Interest and Other Amounts; Rights Preserved; Withholding**

- (a) The Notes of each Class shall accrue interest during each Interest Period on their Aggregate Outstanding Amount (determined as of the first day of the Interest Period and after giving effect to any redemption or other payment of principal occurring on that day) at the Applicable Note Interest Rate. Interest shall be payable in arrears on each Payment Date. Payment of interest on each Class of Notes shall be subordinated to the payments of interest on the related Priority Classes and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding, with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of interest due on the Class of Deferred Interest Notes that is not available to be paid (*Deferred Interest*) in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered "payable" for the purposes of this Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Interest shall cease to accrue on each Note, or in the case of a partial repayment, on the part repaid, from the date of repayment or its Stated Maturity unless payment of principal is improperly withheld or unless there is some other default with respect to the payments of principal.

To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for the Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest, until paid as provided in this Indenture).

- (b) The principal of each Note of each Class matures at par and is payable on the Payment Date that is the Stated Maturity for the Class of Notes, unless the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable at an earlier date by declaration of

acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the payment of principal of each Class of Notes:

- (i) may only occur after principal on each Class of Notes that is a Priority Class with respect to the Class has been paid in full; and
- (ii) is subordinated to the payment on each Payment Date of the principal and interest payable on the Priority Classes, and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments;

**provided** that, notwithstanding the foregoing, Interest Proceeds may be used to pay principal of the Class E Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class E Coverage Test.

- (c) Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Section 9.1.
- (d) As a condition to the payment of principal of and interest on any Note without the imposition of U.S. withholding tax, the Paying Agent shall require the previous delivery of appropriate properly completed and signed original forms United States federal income tax certifications (generally, an Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a Person that is a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code or an appropriate Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a Person that is not a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) or any other certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, and any Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments on the Note under any present or future law of the United States or any present or future law of any political subdivision of the United States or taxing authority in the United States or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under any such law.
- (e) Payments in respect of interest on and principal of any Note shall be made by the Trustee in U.S. Dollars to the Depository or its designee with respect to a Global Note and to the Holder or its nominee with respect to a Definitive Note, by wire transfer, as directed by the Holder, in immediately available funds to a U.S. Dollar account maintained by the Depository or its nominee with respect to a Global Note, and to the Holder or its designee with respect to a Definitive Note. In the case of a Definitive Note, its Holder has provided written wiring instructions to the Trustee and, if the payment with respect to a Definitive Note is to be made by the Irish Paying Agent, the Irish Paying Agent, on or before the related Record Date.

If appropriate instructions for the wire transfer are not received by the related Record Date, then the payment will be made by check drawn on a U.S. bank

mailed to the address of the Holder in the Indenture Register. Upon final payment due on the Maturity of a Note, its Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the office designated by the Trustee on or before the Maturity. If the Trustee and the Applicable Issuers have been furnished the security or indemnity they require to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the certificate, then, in the absence of notice to the Applicable Issuers or the Trustee that the applicable Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender. Neither the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Share Registrar nor any Paying Agent shall have any responsibility or liability for any aspects of the records maintained by Euroclear, Clearstream, or any of the Agent Members relating to or for payments made thereby on account of beneficial interests in a Global Note.

In the case where any final payment of principal and interest is to be made on any Note (other than on its Stated Maturity and except as otherwise provided in this Indenture), the Trustee, in the name and at the expense of the Applicable Issuers shall, not more than 30 nor less than ten days before the date on which the payment is to be made, mail (by first-class mail, postage prepaid) to the Persons entitled thereto at their addresses appearing on the Indenture Register, a notice specifying the date on which the payment will be made, the amount of the payment per U.S.\$100,000 original principal amount of Notes and the place where the Notes may be presented and surrendered for payment. If the Trustee and the Issuer have been furnished any security or indemnity they require to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the certificate, then, in the absence of notice to the Issuer or the Trustee that the applicable certificate has been acquired by a protected purchaser, final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender of the applicable certificate.

- (f) Payments of principal to Holders of the Notes of each Class shall be made in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes of the Class registered in the name of each Holder on the applicable Record Date bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Notes of the Class on the Record Date.
- (g) Interest accrued shall be calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in the applicable Interest Period **divided by 360**.
- (h) All reductions in the principal amount of a Note (or one or more predecessor Notes) effected by payments of installments of principal made on any Payment Date or Redemption Date shall be binding on all future Holders of the Note and of any Note issued upon the registration of its transfer, exchange, or replacement, whether or not the payment is noted on the Note.
- (i) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the obligations of the Co-Issuer under the Notes and under this Indenture are non-recourse obligations, and the obligations of the Issuer under the Notes and under this Indenture are limited recourse obligations payable solely from the Collateral and following realization

of the assets, application of their proceeds in accordance with this Indenture and the reduction of the proceeds of the Collateral to zero, all obligations of, and any claims against, the Co-Issuers under this Indenture or under the Notes or arising in connection therewith shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. No recourse shall be had against any Officer, director, employee, shareholder, or incorporator of either of the Co-Issuers or their respective successors or assigns for any amounts payable under the Notes or this Indenture. The foregoing provisions of this paragraph (i) shall not (1) prevent recourse to the Collateral for the sums due or to become due under any security, instrument, or agreement that is part of the Collateral or (2) be a waiver, release, or discharge of any indebtedness or obligation evidenced by the Notes or secured by this Indenture until the Collateral have been realized. The foregoing provisions of this paragraph (i) shall not limit the right of any Person to name the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as a party defendant in any Proceeding or in the exercise of any other remedy under the Notes or this Indenture, so long as no judgment in the nature of a deficiency judgment or seeking personal liability is sought or (if obtained) enforced against the person.

- (j) If any withholding tax is imposed on the Issuer's payment (or allocations of income) under the Notes to any Noteholder, the tax shall reduce the amount otherwise distributable to the Noteholder. The Trustee is hereby authorized and directed to retain from amounts otherwise distributable to any Noteholder sufficient funds for the payment of any tax that is legally owed, or required by law to be collected, by or on behalf of the Issuer (but the authorization shall not prevent the Trustee or the Issuer from contesting any such tax in appropriate proceedings and withholding payment of the tax, if permitted by law, pending the outcome of the proceedings). The amount of any withholding tax imposed with respect to any Noteholder shall be treated as Cash distributed to the Noteholder when it is withheld by the Trustee and remitted to the appropriate taxing authority. If there is a possibility that withholding tax is payable with respect to a distribution, the Trustee may in its sole discretion withhold the amounts in accordance with this Section 2.8(j). If any Noteholder wishes to apply for a refund of any such withholding tax, the Trustee shall reasonably cooperate with the Noteholder in making the claim by providing information readily available to the Trustee so long as the Noteholder agrees to reimburse the Trustee for any out-of-pocket expenses incurred and provides the Trustee with security reasonably acceptable to the Trustee assuring the reimbursement. The Trustee hereby provides notice to each Noteholder that the failure by the Noteholder to provide the Trustee with appropriate tax certifications may result in amounts being withheld from payments to the Noteholder. Nothing in this Indenture shall impose an obligation on the part of the Trustee to determine the amount of any tax or withholding obligation on the part of the Issuer or in respect of the Notes.

## 2.9 Persons Considered Owners

The Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, and any agent of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee shall treat as the owner of the Note the Person in whose name any Note is registered on the Indenture Register on the applicable Record Date for the purpose of receiving payments on the Note and on any other date for all other purposes whatsoever (whether or not the Note is overdue), and neither the Issuer, the Co-Issuer nor the Trustee nor any agent of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee shall be affected by notice to the contrary. Pursuant to the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will notify the Trustee and the Share Registrar of any Affiliate of the Servicer that owns any of the Securities.

## 2.10 Cancellation

All Notes surrendered for payment, registration of transfer, exchange, or redemption, or lost or stolen, shall be promptly canceled by the Trustee and may not be reissued or resold. No Notes shall be authenticated in lieu of or in exchange for any Notes canceled as provided in this Section 2.10, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture. All canceled Notes held by the Trustee shall be destroyed by the Trustee in accordance with its standard policy unless the Applicable Issuers direct by an Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee prior to cancellation and destruction that they be returned to the Issuer.

## 2.11 Definitive Notes

- (a) A Global Note deposited with the Depository pursuant to Section 2.2 shall be transferred in the form of a Definitive Note to its beneficial owners only if the transfer complies with Section 2.6 and either
  - (i) the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as Depository for the Global Note or
  - (ii) if at any time the Depository ceases to be a Clearing Agency registered under the Exchange Act and, in each case, a successor depository is not appointed by the Co-Issuers within 90 days after the notice.
- (b) Any Global Note that is transferable in the form of a Definitive Note to its beneficial owners pursuant to this Section 2.11 shall be surrendered by the Depository to the office of the Trustee's agent located in the City of New York, New York as specified in Section 7.2 (or any other office designated by the Trustee) to be so transferred, in whole or from time to time in part, without charge, and the Applicable Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, upon the transfer of each portion of the Global Note, an equal aggregate principal amount of definitive physical certificates (pursuant to the instructions of the Depository) (each, a *Definitive Note*) in authorized denominations. Any Definitive Note delivered in exchange for an interest in a Global Note, as applicable, shall, except as otherwise provided by Section 2.6(j),



bear the legends in the applicable portion of Exhibit A and shall be subject to the transfer restrictions referred to in the legends.

- (c) The Holder of a Global Note may grant proxies and otherwise authorize any Person, including Agent Members and Persons that may hold interests through Agent Members, to take any action which a Holder is entitled to take under this Indenture or the Notes, as applicable.
- (d) Upon the occurrence of either of the events specified in Section 2.11(a)(i) and (ii), the Co-Issuers shall promptly make available to the Trustee a reasonable supply of Definitive Notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons.

The Definitive Notes shall be in substantially the same form as the Global Notes, with any changes the Issuer and Trustee agree to and the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in exchange therefor, the same aggregate principal amount of Definitive Notes of authorized denominations.

## **2.12 Notes Beneficially Owned by Non-Permitted Holders**

- (a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary elsewhere in this Indenture, any transfer of a beneficial interest in any Global Note to a U.S. person (for purposes of this Section 2.12 as defined in Regulation S) that is not a QIB/QP and that is not made pursuant to an applicable exemption under the Securities Act shall be void and any such purported transfer of which the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee has notice may be disregarded by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Trustee for all purposes.
- (b) After discovery by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee (and notice by the Trustee or the Co-Issuer to the Issuer, if either of them makes the discovery) that a Person is a Non-Permitted Holder, the Issuer shall promptly send notice to the Non-Permitted Holder demanding that the Non-Permitted Holder transfer its interest to a Person that is not a Non-Permitted Holder within 30 days of the date of the notice. If the Non-Permitted Holder fails to so transfer its Notes or interest in the Notes without further notice to the Non-Permitted Holder, the Issuer may sell the Notes or interest in the Notes to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is not a Non-Permitted Holder on any terms the Issuer chooses. The Issuer, or the Trustee acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting bids (or by appointing an investment bank at the expense of the Issuer to solicit bids) from brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Notes, and selling the Notes, or interest in the Notes to the highest bidder. However, the Issuer or the Trustee may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Note, the beneficial owner of each interest in a Note, the Non-Permitted Holder, and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder or beneficial owner to the Non-Permitted Holder, by its acceptance of an interest in the Notes agrees to cooperate with the

Issuer and the Trustee to effect the transfers. The proceeds of the sale, net of any commissions, expenses of the Trustee or otherwise, and taxes due in connection with the sale shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted Holder. The terms of any sale under this subsection shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer (or the Trustee acting on its behalf), and the Issuer and the Trustee shall not be liable to any Person having an interest in the Notes sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of its discretion.

### **2.13 Tax Characterization**

The Issuer agrees and each registered holder and beneficial owner, by accepting a Note, agrees to treat the Notes as debt instruments of the Issuer only for accounting, financial reporting and U.S. federal and, to the extent permitted by law, state and local income and franchise tax purposes, to report all income (or loss) in accordance with such treatment and not to take any action inconsistent with such treatment unless otherwise required by any relevant taxing authority.

## **3. CONDITIONS PRECEDENT**

### **3.1 Conditions to Issuance of Notes on Closing Date**

- (a) The Notes to be issued on the Closing Date shall be executed by the Applicable Issuers and delivered to the Trustee for authentication and thereupon the same shall be authenticated and delivered by the Trustee upon Issuer Order and upon receipt by the Trustee of the following:
  - (i) Officers' Certificates of the Co-Issuers Regarding Corporate Matters. An Officer's certificate of each of the Co-Issuers:
    - (A) (1) evidencing (x) the authorization by Board Resolution of the execution and delivery of this Indenture and the Purchase Agreement and, in the case of the Issuer, the Servicing Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Hedge Agreements being entered into on or before the Closing Date (if any), and related transaction documents and (y) the execution, authentication and delivery of the Notes applied for by it and specifying the Stated Maturity, principal amount and the Note Interest Rate of each applicable Class of Notes to be authenticated and delivered and (2) with respect to the Issuer only, evidencing the authorization by Board Resolution of the issuance, terms and number of Preference Shares issued on the Closing Date, and that each of the foregoing is in accordance with the terms of the Board Resolution, and
    - (B) certifying that (1) the attached copy of the Board Resolution is an accurate copy, (2) the resolutions have not been rescinded and are



in full force on and as of the Closing Date and (3) the Officers authorized to execute and deliver the documents hold the offices and have the signatures indicated on the documents.

- (ii) **Governmental Approvals.** From each of the Co-Issuers either:
  - (A) a certificate of the Applicable Issuer or other official document evidencing the due authorization, approval or consent of any governmental bodies, at the time having jurisdiction in the premises, together with an Opinion of Counsel of the Applicable Issuer that no other authorization, approval or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of the Notes applied for by it, or
  - (B) an Opinion of Counsel of the Applicable Issuer that no authorization, approval, or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of the Notes except as have been given; **provided** that the opinions of Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP and Maples and Calder, substantially in the forms of Exhibit C and Exhibit D, respectively, shall satisfy this clause (B).
- (iii) **Co-Issuers' and Servicer's U.S. Counsel Opinion.** Opinions of Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP, special U.S. counsel to the Co-Issuers, and an opinion of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, counsel to the Servicer, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the forms of Exhibit C and Exhibit F.
- (iv) **Issuer's Cayman Counsel Opinion.** An opinion of Maples and Calder, Cayman Islands counsel to the Issuer, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit D.
- (v) **Trustee's Counsel Opinion.** An opinion of Nixon Peabody LLP, counsel to the Trustee, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit E.
- (vi) **Officers' Certificates of Co-Issuers Regarding Indenture.** An Officer's certificate of each of the Co-Issuers stating that, to the best of the Officer's knowledge,
  - (A) the Applicable Issuer is not in default under this Indenture and that the issuance of the Notes applied for by it will not result in a default or a breach of, or be a default under, its organizational documents, any indenture or other agreement or instrument to which it is a party or by which it is bound, or any order of any court or administrative agency entered in any Proceeding to which

it is a party or by which it may be bound or to which it may be subject;

- (B) all conditions precedent in this Indenture relating to the authentication and delivery of the applicable Notes have been complied with; and
- (C) all expenses due or accrued with respect to the Offering or relating to actions taken on or in connection with the Closing Date have been paid or reserves therefor have been made.

The Officer's certificate of the Issuer shall also state that, to the best of the Officer's knowledge, all of its representations and warranties contained in this Indenture are accurate as of the Closing Date.

- (vii) **Hedge Agreements.** Executed copies of the Hedge Agreements being entered into on or entered into before the Closing Date, if any.
- (viii) **Servicing Agreement.** Executed copy of the Servicing Agreement.
- (ix) **Preference Shares.** Copies of executed Preference Share certificates to be issued on the Closing Date.
- (x) **Preference Share Documents.** An executed counterpart of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.
- (xi) **Collateral Administration Agreement.** Executed copy of the Collateral Administration Agreement.
- (xii) **Grant of Collateral Obligations.** Evidence of the Grant pursuant to the Granting Clauses of this Indenture of all of the Issuer's interest in the Collateral Obligations pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, on the Closing Date and Delivery of the Collateral Obligations (including any promissory notes and all other Underlying Instruments related to them to the extent received by the Issuer) to the Trustee or the Custodian as contemplated by Section 3.2.
- (xiii) **Certificate of the Servicer.** A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, in the case of each Collateral Obligation pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, as the case may be, on the Closing Date and immediately before the delivery of the Collateral Obligation on the Closing Date:
  - (A) the "row/column combination" of the table appearing in the definition of "Ratings Matrix" selected by the Servicer on the Closing Date;

- (B) the information with respect to the Collateral Obligation in the Schedule of Collateral Obligations is correct; and
- (C) the Collateral Obligation satisfies the requirements of the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and of Section 3.1(a)(xix)(B);
- (xiv) **Rating Letters.** An Officer's certificate of the Issuer to the effect that attached is an accurate copy of a letter signed by each Rating Agency and confirming that each Class of Notes rated by the Rating Agency has been assigned the applicable Initial Rating and that the ratings are in full force on the Closing Date.
- (xv) **Accounts.** Evidence that each of the Accounts has been established.
- (xvi) **Issuer Order for Deposit of Funds into Accounts.** An Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, authorizing the deposit of at least U.S.\$103,000,000 into the Collection Account for use pursuant to Section 7.19 and the deposit of at least U.S.\$2,136,313 into the Closing Date Expense Account for use pursuant to Section 10.3(g).
- (xvii) **Irish Listing.** An Officer's certificate of the Issuer to the effect that application has been made to the Irish Stock Exchange to admit the Notes to the Official List.
- (xviii) **Issuer Order for Authentication of Notes.** An Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, directing the Trustee to authenticate the Notes in the amounts, in the registered names and with the CUSIP numbers in the Issuer Order.
- (xix) **Accountants' Certificate.** An Accountants' Certificate satisfactory to the Issuer (A) confirming the information with respect to each Collateral Obligation on the Schedule of Collateral Obligations attached as Schedule 1, (B) confirming that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that the Issuer has purchased or committed to purchase in accordance with customary settlement procedures in the relevant markets, is approximately U.S.\$659,000,000, (C) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to this Section 3.1(a)(xix) and (D) confirming the weighted average purchase price of the Collateral Obligations.
- (xx) **Certificate of the Issuer Regarding Collateral.** A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, to the knowledge of the Issuer, in the case of each Collateral Obligation pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, as the

case may be, on the Closing Date and immediately before the delivery of the Collateral Obligation on the Closing Date:

- (A) the Issuer is the owner of the Collateral Obligation free of any liens, claims, or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever except for those that are being released on the Closing Date and except for those Granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture;
- (B) the Issuer has acquired its ownership in the Collateral Obligation in good faith without notice of any adverse claim, except as described in paragraph (A) above;
- (C) the Issuer has not assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered any interest in the Collateral Obligation (or, if any interest in the Collateral Obligation has been assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered, it has been released before the Closing Date or is being released on the Closing Date) other than interests Granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture;
- (D) the Issuer has full right to Grant a security interest in and assign and pledge the Collateral Obligation to the Trustee;
- (E) upon Grant by the Issuer, the Trustee has a first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral Obligations and the other Collateral; and
- (F) based solely on the Accountant's Certificate set forth in clause (xix) above, the weighted average purchase price of the Collateral Obligations in the Collateral as of the Closing Date is at least 90% of the aggregate par amount thereof.

(xxi) **Certificate of the Issuer Regarding Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice.** A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, on or prior to the Closing Date the Issuer provided to the Depository the Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice, substantially in the form of Exhibit G-2.

(xxii) **Other Documents.** Any other documents the Trustee reasonably requires. Nothing in this clause (xxii) shall imply or impose a duty on the part of the Trustee to require any other documents.

(b) Any Refinancing Note may be issued from time to time pursuant to Section 9.7 hereof. Any such Refinancing Notes shall be executed by the Applicable Issuer and delivered to the Trustee for authentication, and thereupon shall be authenticated and delivered by the Trustee upon and pursuant to Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee, together with delivery to the Trustee by the Issuer of an

Opinion of Counsel to the effect that (A) such Refinancing Notes are duly authorized and validly issued by the Applicable Issuer pursuant to the Indenture, constituting the legal, valid and binding obligation of such Applicable Issuer, enforceable against such Issuer in accordance with its terms and (B) all conditions precedent under this Indenture, if any, applicable to the issuance, authentication and delivery of such Notes, have been satisfied.

### **3.2 Custodianship; Delivery of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments**

- (a) The Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall deliver or cause to be delivered to a custodian appointed by the Issuer, which shall be a Securities Intermediary (the ***Custodian***), all Collateral in accordance with the definition of "Deliver." Initially, the Custodian shall be State Street Bank and Trust Company. Any successor custodian shall be a state or national bank or trust company that is not an Affiliate of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, has a short-term rating of at least "A-1" by S&P (or a long-term rating of at least "A+" by S&P if such institution has no short-term rating) and has combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000 and is a Securities Intermediary. Subject to the limited right to relocate Pledged Obligations as provided in Section 7.5(b), the Trustee shall hold all Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, other assets purchased in accordance with this Indenture (other than Loans, Participations and general intangibles) and Cash in the relevant Account established and maintained pursuant to Section 10, as to which in each case the Trustee shall have entered into a Securities Account control agreement with the Custodian in accordance with Section 8 of the UCC providing, *inter alia*, that the establishment and maintenance of the Account shall be governed by the law of the State of New York.
- (b) Each time that the Issuer, or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, directs or causes the acquisition of any Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other assets, the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) shall, if the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other asset is required to be, but has not already been, transferred to the relevant Account, cause the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other asset to be Delivered to the Custodian to be held in the Custodial Account (or in the case of any such asset that is not a Collateral Obligation, in the Account in which the funds used to purchase the asset are held in accordance with Section 10) for the benefit of the Trustee in accordance with this Indenture. The security interest of the Trustee in the funds or other property used in connection with the acquisition shall, immediately and without further action on the part of the Trustee, be released. The security interest of the Trustee shall nevertheless come into existence and continue in the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other asset so acquired, including all interests of the Issuer in to any contracts related to and proceeds of the Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments or other assets.

### 3.3 Representations as to Collateral

- (a) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants to the Secured Parties as to the Collateral as follows (which representations are repeated on each day on which the Issuer acquires new Collateral):
- (i) This Indenture creates a valid and continuing security interest (as defined in the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) in the Collateral in favor of the Trustee, which security interest is prior to all other liens, charges, claims, security interests, mortgages and other encumbrances, and is enforceable as such as against creditors of and purchasers from the Issuer.
  - (ii) Except for any Securities Lending Collateral and Synthetic Securities Collateral, the Issuer has good and marketable title to and is the owner of each item of Collateral free of any liens, claims, or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever except for liens (A) that are being released on the Closing Date and (B) granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture. The Issuer has a first priority security interest in all Securities Lending Collateral to secure all obligations of Securities Lending Counterparty under the Securities Lending Agreement and a first priority interest in all Synthetic Securities Collateral to secure all obligations of Synthetic Security Counterparty under the Synthetic Securities Agreement.
  - (iii) The Issuer has not assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered any interest in the Collateral (or, if any interest in the Collateral has been assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered, it has been released before the Closing Date or is being released on the Closing Date) other than interests granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture.
  - (iv) The Issuer has full right, and has received all consents and approvals required by the related Underlying Instruments, to grant a security interest in its rights in the Collateral to the Trustee.
  - (v) Each Collateral Obligation included in the Collateral satisfied the requirements of the definition of "Collateral Obligation" as of the date the Issuer committed to purchase the same or, in the case of the Loans with respect to which loans were made by Pre-Closing Participant and repaid by the Issuer on the Closing Date, as of the Closing Date.
  - (vi) All Collateral Obligations, any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange did not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, and Eligible Investments (other than, in each case, "general intangibles" within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) have been and will have been credited to one of the Accounts. The securities intermediary for each Account has agreed to treat all assets

credited to the Accounts as "financial assets" within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code.

- (vii) The Issuer has pledged to the Trustee all of the Issuer's interest in each Collateral Obligation included in the Collateral pursuant to the Granting Clauses of this Indenture and has delivered each Collateral Obligation (including any promissory note and all its other Underlying Instruments to the extent received by the Issuer) to the Trustee or the Custodian as contemplated by Section 3.2.
- (viii) Each of the Collateral constitutes "general intangibles," "certificated securities," "instruments," "securities entitlements," "uncertificated securities," "chattel paper" or Securities Accounts, each within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code, or any other category of collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code as to which the Issuer has complied with its obligations under Section 3.2(b).
- (ix) The Issuer has caused (or will have caused within 30 days following the Closing Date) the filing of appropriate financing statements in the proper filing offices in the appropriate jurisdictions under applicable law to perfect the security interest in the portion of the Collateral pledged to the Trustee under this Indenture that may be perfected by the filing of financing statements.
- (x) The Issuer has not authorized the filing of and is not aware of any financing statements against the Issuer that include a description of collateral covering the Collateral other than any financing statement (A) relating to the security interest granted to the Trustee under this Indenture, (B) that has been terminated or (C) that names the Trustee as the secured party. On the date of this Indenture, the Issuer is not aware of any judgment or Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation or tax lien filings against the Issuer.
- (xi) The Issuer has delivered to the Trustee a fully executed agreement pursuant to which the securities intermediary for each Account has agreed to comply with all instructions originated by the Trustee relating to the Account without further consent by the Issuer.
- (xii) All original executed copies of each "instrument" (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral have been delivered to the Custodian, to the extent received by the Issuer. The Issuer has received confirmation from the Custodian that the Custodian has credited the instruments to one of the Accounts. None of the instruments that are or evidence the Collateral has any marks or notations indicating that they are then pledged or otherwise assigned to any Person other than the Trustee.



- (xiii) The Accounts are not in the name of any Person other than the Issuer or the Trustee. The Issuer has not consented to the securities intermediary of any Account to comply with instructions of any Person other than the Trustee.
- (xiv) All "certificated securities" (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral have been delivered to the Custodian, to the extent received by the Issuer, registered in the name of the Custodian or indorsed to the Custodian. The Issuer has received confirmation from the Custodian that the Custodian has credited such certificated securities to one of the Accounts.
- (xv) The Issuer has caused all "uncertificated securities" (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral to be registered in the name of the Custodian.
- (xvi) Upon grant by the Issuer, the Trustee has a first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral.

The parties to this Indenture shall not waive any of the representations in this Section 3.3, unless the Rating Condition is satisfied in connection with such waiver. The Issuer shall provide each of the Rating Agencies with prompt written notice of any breach of the representations contained in this Section 3.3 upon becoming aware thereof, and shall not waive a breach of any of the representations in this Section 3.3, unless the Rating Condition is satisfied (as determined after any adjustment or withdrawal of the ratings following notice of such breach) in connection with such waiver.

If the Issuer acquires Collateral that is not "general intangibles," "certificated securities," "instruments," Securities Accounts, "chattel paper," "securities entitlements" or "uncertificated securities," each within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code, or another category of collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code as to which the Issuer has complied with its obligations under this Section 3.3(b), then on or before the date on which the Issuer acquires the Collateral, the Issuer (or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer) shall notify S&P and the Trustee (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) of its acquisition or intended acquisition of the Collateral and the Issuer shall represent to S&P and to the Trustee (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) as to the category of the Collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code and shall make any further representations as to the perfection and priority of the security interest in the Collateral Granted under this Indenture acceptable to S&P.



#### **4. SATISFACTION AND DISCHARGE**

##### **4.1 Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture**

This Indenture shall be discharged and shall cease to be of further effect with respect to the Notes and the Collateral except as to:

- (i) rights of registration of transfer and exchange,
- (ii) substitution of mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Notes,
- (iii) rights of Noteholders to receive payments of principal or interest on, or other amounts (including without limitation Extension Bonus Payments) owing in respect of, the Notes as provided in this Indenture,
- (iv) the rights, indemnities, and immunities of the Trustee under this Indenture and the obligations of the Trustee under Section 7.3 of this Indenture with respect to the holding and paying of unclaimed funds,
- (v) for so long as any Preference Shares remain Outstanding, any provisions hereof conferring any rights or remedies upon the Holders of the Preference Shares or the Preference Shares Paying Agent on behalf of the Holders of the Preference Shares, including but not limited to, the provisions of Sections 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15,
- (vi) for so long as any Preference Shares remain Outstanding, the provisions of Sections 10, 11 and 12 relating to the acquisition, retention and disbursement of Collateral,
- (vii) the rights, obligations, and immunities of the Servicer under this Indenture and under the Servicing Agreement, and
- (viii) the rights of Noteholders as beneficiaries of this Indenture with respect to the property deposited with the Trustee and payable to any of them (and the Trustee, on demand of and at the expense of the Issuer, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture),

when:

(a) either:

- (i) all Notes theretofore authenticated and delivered to Holders of Notes (other than (A) Notes that have been destroyed, lost or stolen and which have been replaced or paid as provided in Section 2.7 and (B) Notes for whose payment money has theretofore irrevocably been deposited in trust

and thereafter repaid to the Issuer or discharged from the trust, as provided in Section 7.3), have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation; or

- (ii) all Notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation
  - (A) have become payable, or
  - (B) will become payable at their Stated Maturity within one year, or
  - (C) are to be called for redemption pursuant to Section 9 under an arrangement satisfactory to the Trustee for the giving of notice of redemption by the Applicable Issuers pursuant to Section 9.3,

and the Issuer has irrevocably deposited with the Trustee, in trust for payment of the principal and interest on the Notes, Cash or non-callable obligations of the United States of America. The obligations deposited under Section 4.1(a)(ii) with respect to the other Notes must be entitled to the full faith and credit of the United States of America or be debt obligations that are rated "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, in an amount sufficient, as verified by a firm of Independent certified public accountants that are nationally recognized, to pay and discharge the entire indebtedness on the Notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation, for principal and interest to the date of the deposit (in the case of Notes that have become payable), or to the respective Stated Maturity or the respective Redemption Date, as the case may be, and the Issuer shall have Granted to the Trustee a valid perfected security interest in the Eligible Investment that is of first priority, free of any adverse claim, and shall have furnished an Opinion of Counsel with respect thereto. Section 4.1(a)(ii) shall not apply if an election to act in accordance with Section 5.5(a) has been made and not rescinded. In addition, the Issuer shall cause delivery to the Trustee of a Tax Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the Noteholders would recognize no income, gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of the deposit and satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture;

- (b) the Issuer has paid all other sums then payable under this Indenture by the Issuer and no other amounts are scheduled to be payable by the Issuer; and
- (c) the Co-Issuers have delivered to the Trustee Officer's certificates and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent in this Indenture provided for relating to the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture have been complied with.

Notwithstanding the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture, the rights and obligations of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Servicer and, if applicable, the

Noteholders, as the case may be, under Sections 2.8, 4.2, 5.4(d), 5.9, 5.18, 6.7, 6.8, 7.1, 7.3, 13.1 and 14.13 shall survive.

## **4.2 Application of Trust Money**

All monies deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 4.1 shall be held in trust for the Person entitled to it and applied by the Trustee in accordance with the Notes and this Indenture, including the Priority of Payments, to the payment of principal and interest, either directly or through any Paying Agent, as the Trustee may determine. The money shall be held in a segregated Securities Account identified as being held in trust for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

## **4.3 Repayment of Monies Held by Paying Agent**

In connection with the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture with respect to the Notes, all monies then held by any Paying Agent other than the Trustee under this Indenture shall, upon demand of the Co-Issuers, be paid to the Trustee to be held and applied pursuant to Section 7.3 and in accordance with the Priority of Payments and thereupon the Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to the monies.

# **5. REMEDIES**

## **5.1 Events of Default**

*Event of Default*, wherever used in this Indenture, means any one of the following events whatever the reason:

- (a) a default for four Business Days in the payment of any interest on the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes or the Class B Notes, or, if no Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes or Class B Notes are Outstanding, a default in the payment of any interest on the Controlling Class, in each case, when it becomes payable (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, the Irish Paying Agent or the Indenture Registrar, after seven Business Days);
- (b) a default in the payment of principal (including Deferred Interest) of any Note, when the same becomes payable, at its Stated Maturity or on the Redemption Date;
- (c) the failure on any Payment Date to disburse amounts available in the Payment Account in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the failure continues for three Business Days;
- (d) on any Measurement Date for so long as any Class A-1 Notes or Class A-2 Notes are Outstanding, the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio is less than 100%;

- (e) either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral becomes an investment company under the Investment Company Act;
- (f) breach of any other covenant or other agreement of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture (other than any failure to satisfy any of the Collateral Quality Tests, any of the Concentration Limitations, any of the Coverage Tests, the Retention Overcollateralization Test, or other covenants or agreements for which a specific remedy has been provided in this Section 5.1) in any material respect, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant thereto, or in connection therewith, to be correct in any material respect when made, and the breach or failure continues for 30 days after either of the Co-Issuers has actual knowledge of it or after notice to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, and the Servicer by the Trustee or to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class by registered or certified mail or overnight courier specifying the breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that the notice is a "Notice of Default" under this Indenture;
- (g) the entry of a decree or order by a court having competent jurisdiction adjudging the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, or composition of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, and if the decree or order remains unstayed and in effect for 45 consecutive days;
- (h) the institution by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of Proceedings to have the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as the case may be, adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings against the Issuer or Co-Issuer, or the filing by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Bankruptcy Law or any other similar applicable law, or the consent by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or the taking of any action by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in furtherance of any such action; or
- (i) one or more final judgments is rendered against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer that exceed in the aggregate U.S.\$2,000,000 and that remain unstayed, undischarged,

and unsatisfied for 30 days after the judgments become nonappealable, unless adequate funds have been reserved or set aside for their payment.

## **5.2 Notice of Event of Default; Acceleration of Maturity; Rescission and Annulment**

- (a) Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Trustee shall give prompt (and in no event later than five Business Days after becoming aware of such event) notice thereof to the Noteholders.
- (b) If an Event of Default is continuing (other than an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h)), the Trustee may, with consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class, and shall, upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, declare the principal of all the Notes to be immediately payable by notice to the Applicable Issuers and the Noteholders, and upon that declaration the unpaid principal of all the Notes, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), and other amounts payable under this Indenture, shall become immediately payable. The Replacement Period shall terminate upon a declaration of acceleration (subject to re-commencement pursuant to Section 5.2(c)). If an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h) occurs, all unpaid principal, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), of all the Notes, and other amounts payable under this Indenture, shall automatically become payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any Noteholder and the Replacement Period shall terminate automatically (subject to re-commencement pursuant to Section 5.2(c)).
- (c) At any time after the declaration of acceleration of maturity has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may rescind the declaration and its consequences:
  - (i) The Issuer or the Co-Issuer has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:
    - (A) all unpaid installments of interest and principal on the Notes then due;
    - (B) to the extent that payment of the interest is lawful, interest on any Deferred Interest and Defaulted Interest at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable;
    - (C) all Administrative Expenses of the Co-Issuers and other sums paid or advanced by the Trustee under this Indenture;

- (D) all unpaid Senior Servicing Fees;
- (E) all amounts then payable to any Hedge Counterparty; and
- (ii) The Trustee has determined that all Events of Default, other than the non-payment of the interest on or principal of the Notes, have been (A) cured, and a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Trustee has agreed with that determination, or (B) waived as provided in Section 5.14.

No such rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right consequent thereon. The Issuer shall not terminate any Hedge Agreement at any time after a declaration of acceleration of Maturity of the Notes has been made, unless such declaration and its consequences may no longer be rescinded and annulled in accordance with this Section 5.2(c) and liquidation of the Collateral has begun.

If a declaration of acceleration is rescinded as described above:

- (x) the Replacement Period, if terminated by the declaration, shall recommence on the date of the rescission (unless the Replacement Period would have otherwise terminated before that date pursuant to clauses (i), (ii), or (iii) of its definition); and
- (y) the Trustee shall retain the Collateral in accordance with this Indenture. If the retention of the Collateral is rescinded pursuant to Section 5.5, the Notes may again be accelerated pursuant to Section 5.2(b), notwithstanding any previous rescission of a declaration of acceleration pursuant to this Section 5.2(c).

No rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right resulting from the Default.

- (d) Notwithstanding anything in this Section 5.2 to the contrary, the Notes will not be subject to acceleration by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class or any other Holders solely as a result of the failure to pay any amount due on Notes that are not of the Controlling Class.

### **5.3 Collection of Indebtedness and Suits for Enforcement by Trustee**

The Applicable Issuers covenant that if a default occurs in the payment of any principal of or interest when payable on any Note, upon demand of the Trustee or the Holder of any affected Note, the Applicable Issuers shall pay to the Trustee, for the benefit of the Holder of the Note, the whole amount then payable on the Note for principal and interest with interest on the overdue principal and, to the extent that payments of the interest shall be legally enforceable, on overdue installments of interest and all other amounts owing to

the Noteholders under this Indenture, at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable, and, in addition, an amount sufficient to cover the costs and expenses of collection, including the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee and the Holders and their agents and counsel.

If the Issuer or the Co-Issuer fails to pay those amounts immediately on demand, the Trustee, in its own name and as Trustee of an express trust, may, with the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class, and shall at the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class (subject to Section 6.3(e)), institute a Proceeding for the collection of the sums due, may prosecute the Proceeding to judgment or final decree, and may enforce the same against the Applicable Issuers or any other obligor on the Notes and collect the monies determined to be payable in the manner provided by law out of the Collateral.

If an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee may, with the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class, and shall upon written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class (subject to Section 6.3(e)), proceed to protect and enforce its rights and the rights of the Noteholders by any appropriate Proceedings as is deemed most effective (if no direction is received by the Trustee) or as the Trustee may be directed by a Majority of the Controlling Class, to protect and enforce the rights of the Trustee and the Noteholders, whether for the specific enforcement of any agreement in this Indenture or in aid of the exercise of any power granted in this Indenture, or to enforce any other proper remedy or legal or equitable right vested in the Trustee by this Indenture or by law. The reasonable compensation, costs, expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or paid by the Trustee and its agents and counsel, in connection with such Proceeding, including, without limitation, the exercise of any remedies pursuant to Section 5.4, shall be reimbursed to the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.8.

If any Proceedings are pending relating to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any other obligor on the Notes under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law, or if a receiver, assignee, or trustee in bankruptcy or reorganization, liquidator, sequestrator or similar official has been appointed for or taken possession of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or their respective property or any other obligor on the Notes or its property, or if any other comparable Proceedings are pending relating to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or other obligor on the Notes, or the creditors or property of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or other obligor on the Notes, the Trustee, regardless of whether the principal of any Notes is then payable by declaration or otherwise and regardless of whether the Trustee has made any demand pursuant to this Section 5.3, may, by intervention in the Proceedings or otherwise:

- (a) file and prove claims for the whole amount of principal and interest owing and unpaid in respect of the Notes, and file any other papers or documents appropriate and take any other appropriate action (including sitting on a committee of creditors) to have the claims of the Trustee (including any claim for reasonable compensation to the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, and their respective agents, attorneys, and counsel, and for reimbursement of all expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor



Trustee, except as a result of negligence or bad faith) and of the Noteholders allowed in any Proceedings relating to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or other obligor on the Notes or to the creditors or property of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or other obligor on the Notes;

- (b) unless prohibited by applicable law, vote on behalf of the Noteholders in any election of a trustee or a standby trustee in arrangement, reorganization, liquidation or other bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings or Person performing similar functions in comparable Proceedings; and
- (c) collect and receive any monies or other property payable to or deliverable on any such claims, and distribute all amounts received with respect to the claims of the Noteholders and of the Trustee on their behalf; and any trustee, receiver or liquidator, custodian or other similar official is authorized by each of the Noteholders to make payments to the Trustee, and, if the Trustee consents to making payments directly to the Noteholders, to pay to the Trustee amounts sufficient to cover reasonable compensation to the Trustee, each predecessor Trustee, and their respective agents, attorneys, and counsel, and all other reasonable expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee except as a result of negligence or bad faith.

Nothing in this Indenture shall authorize the Trustee to authorize or consent to or vote for or accept or adopt on behalf of the Holder of any Note, any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition affecting the Notes or any Noteholder, or to authorize the Trustee to vote on the claim of the Holder of any Note in any Proceeding except, as aforesaid, to vote for the election of a trustee in bankruptcy or similar Person.

Notwithstanding anything in this Section 5.3 to the contrary, the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Collateral or institute Proceedings in furtherance of the sale or liquidation of the Collateral pursuant to this Section 5.3 except according to Section 5.5(a).

#### **5.4 Remedies**

- (a) If an Event of Default is continuing, and the Notes have been declared payable and the declaration and its consequences have not been rescinded, or at any time after the Stated Maturity, the Co-Issuers agree that the Trustee may, with the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class, and shall, upon written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class (subject to Section 6.3(e)), to the extent permitted by applicable law, exercise one or more of the following rights:
  - (i) institute Proceedings for the collection of all amounts then payable on the Notes or otherwise payable under this Indenture, whether by declaration or otherwise, enforce any judgment obtained, and collect from the Collateral any monies adjudged due;



- (ii) sell or liquidate all or a portion of the Collateral or interests in it, at one or more public or private sales called and conducted in any manner permitted by law and in accordance with Section 5.17;
- (iii) institute Proceedings from time to time for the complete or partial foreclosure of this Indenture with respect to the Collateral;
- (iv) exercise any remedies of a secured party under the UCC and take any other appropriate action to protect and enforce the rights of the Trustee and the Noteholders under this Indenture; and
- (v) exercise any other rights that may be available at law or in equity;

*except* that the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Collateral or institute Proceedings in furtherance of the sale or liquidation of the Collateral pursuant to this Section 5.4 except according to Section 5.5(a).

- (b) If an Event of Default as described in Section 5.1(f) is continuing the Trustee may, with the consent of, and shall, at the written direction of, the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, subject to Section 5.8 (and subject to Section 6.3(e)), institute a Proceeding solely to compel performance of the covenant or agreement or to cure the representation or warranty, the breach of which gave rise to the Event of Default under Section 5.1(f), and enforce any equitable decree or order arising from the Proceeding.
- (c) Upon any sale, whether made under the power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, any Holders or the Servicer (subject to the Servicing Agreement) may bid for and purchase any part of the Collateral and, upon compliance with the terms of sale, may hold, retain, possess, or dispose of the Collateral in its or their own absolute right without accountability.

Upon any sale, whether made under the power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, the receipt of the Trustee, or of the Officer making a sale under judicial Proceedings, shall be a sufficient discharge to the purchasers at any sale for their purchase money, and the purchasers shall not be obliged to see to its application.

Any sale, whether under any power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, shall bind the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Noteholders, shall operate to divest all interest whatsoever, either at law or in equity, of each of them in the property sold, and shall be a perpetual bar, both at law and in equity, against each of them and their successors and assigns, and against all Persons claiming through or under them.

- (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, none of the Trustee, the Secured Parties or the Noteholders may, before the date that is one year and one

day (or if longer, any applicable preference period plus one day) after the payment in full of all Notes, institute against, or join any other Person in instituting against, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium, or liquidation Proceedings, or other Proceedings under the Bankruptcy Law or any similar laws in any jurisdiction. Nothing in this Section 5.4 shall preclude the Trustee or any Secured Party (i) from taking any action before the expiration of that period in (A) any case or Proceeding voluntarily filed or commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or (B) any involuntary insolvency Proceeding filed or commenced by a Person other than a Secured Party or (ii) from commencing against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any of its properties any legal action that is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation Proceeding.

## 5.5 Optional Retention of Collateral

- (a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Indenture, if an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall retain the Collateral, collect, and cause the collection of the proceeds of the Collateral and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Collateral and the Notes, and any Hedge Agreements (other than amounts received under a Hedge Agreement that are used in putting a Replacement Hedge in place), in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Section 10 and Section 12 unless:
- (i) the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, determines that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) of Section 11.1(a)(i) and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination;
  - (ii) the Holders of a Super Majority of each of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral; or
  - (iii) the Class A/B Overcollateralization Ratio is less than 90% and the Holders of a Majority of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes voting together as a single Class direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral; **provided** that upon such direction, the Trustee shall (x) first sell or liquidate any Collateral for which either (A) two or more bid-side prices have been determined by an Approved Pricing Service or (B) bid-side prices have been obtained from at least two nationally recognized

broker-dealers selected by a Majority of the Controlling Class and (y) thereafter shall sell or liquidate such remaining Collateral to the extent such Collateral can be liquidated or sold in accordance with the Indenture and applicable law; provided that any Collateral consisting of equity securities or Defaulted Collateral Obligations shall not be subject to sale or liquidation pursuant to this clause (iii).

If any Collateral is sold in accordance with clause (a)(iii)(x) above and Highland Capital Management, L.P. is the Servicer, the Servicer shall have the exclusive right to purchase such Collateral for the first two Business Days from the date the last of such bid-prices was determined by an Approved Pricing Service or obtained from a nationally recognized broker-dealer selected by a Majority of the Controlling Class with respect to such Collateral at a price equal to the highest bid-price for such Collateral that was determined by an Approved Pricing Service or obtained from a nationally recognized broker-dealer selected by a Majority of the Controlling Class and, thereafter, the Trustee may sell such Collateral to other parties in accordance with the terms hereof; **provided** that, in any such case, such sale to the Servicer or to any other party is effected in compliance with applicable law, including all notice and other provisions under the UCC.

The Trustee shall give written notice of the retention of the Collateral to the Issuer with a copy to the Co-Issuer and the Servicer. So long as the Event of Default is continuing, any retention pursuant to this Section 5.5(a) may be rescinded at any time when the conditions specified in clause (i) or (ii) exist.

- (b) Nothing contained in Section 5.5(a) shall be construed to require the Trustee to sell the Collateral if the conditions in clause (i) or (ii) of Section 5.5(a) are not satisfied. Nothing contained in Section 5.5(a) shall be construed to require the Trustee to retain the Collateral if prohibited by applicable law.
- (c) In determining whether the condition specified in Section 5.5(a)(i) exists, the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, shall obtain bid prices with respect to each security contained in the Collateral from two nationally recognized dealers (or if there is only one market maker, that market maker and if there is no market maker, from a pricing service) selected and specified by the Servicer to the Trustee in writing, at the time making a market in those securities, and shall compute the anticipated proceeds of sale or liquidation on the basis of the lower of the bid prices for each security. In addition, for the purposes of determining issues relating to the valuation of the Collateral, the satisfaction of the conditions specified in this Indenture, the execution of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral, and the execution of a sale or other liquidation of the Collateral in connection with a determination whether the condition specified in Section 5.5(a)(i) exists, the Trustee may retain, at the Issuer's expense, and rely on an opinion of an Independent investment banking firm of national reputation, which may be either of the Initial Purchasers.

The Trustee shall deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Noteholders, the Co-Issuers, the Servicer and the Hedge Counterparties a report stating the results of any determination required pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i). The Trustee shall make the determinations required by Section 5.5(a)(i) after an Event of Default at the written request of a Majority of the Controlling Class at any time during which the Trustee retains the Collateral pursuant to Section 5.5(a) (**provided** that to the extent any such request is made more than once per fiscal quarter, the Trustee may require that such determination be at the expense of such requesting Holders). The Trustee shall obtain (at the Issuer's expense) a letter of a firm of Independent certified public accountants confirming the accuracy of each calculation made by the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) and certifying their conformity to the requirements of this Indenture.

- (d) Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, the Trustee may not, and the Noteholders representing the requisite percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes specified in Section 5.4 or 5.5, may not instruct the Trustee to sell or liquidate or (except in connection with the concurrent execution of a Replacement Hedge) terminate any Hedge Agreement during the continuance of an Event of Default until all Collateral other than the Hedge Agreements has been sold or liquidated and its proceeds applied in accordance with this Indenture.
- (e) Collateral may not be sold or liquidated pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) after the last date on which the sale or liquidation is permitted under Section 5.5(a)(i) with respect to a determination made pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) (the last permitted date being determined by the Trustee under Section 5.5(a)(i)), unless a new determination is made in accordance with Section 5.5(a)(i) and the Collateral is sold or liquidated before the last sale date permitted in accordance with the new determination.

## **5.6 Trustee May Enforce Claims Without Possession of Notes**

All rights of action and claims under this Indenture or under any of the Notes may be prosecuted and enforced by the Trustee without the possession of any of the Notes or their production in any trial or other Proceeding relating to them, and any Proceeding instituted by the Trustee shall be brought in its own name as trustee of an express trust, and any recovery of judgment shall be applied as provided in Section 5.7.

In any Proceedings brought by the Trustee (and any Proceedings involving the interpretation of any provision of this Indenture to which the Trustee shall be a party) the Trustee shall be held to represent all the Noteholders.

## **5.7 Application of Money Collected**

Any money collected by the Trustee with respect to the Notes pursuant to this Section 5 and any money that may then be held or subsequently received by the Trustee with respect to the Notes under this Indenture shall be applied, subject to Section 13.1 and in accordance with Section 11.1, at the dates fixed by the Trustee.

## **5.8 Limitation on Suits**

No Holder of any Note shall have any right to institute any Proceedings, judicial or otherwise, with respect to this Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy under this Indenture, unless:

- (a) the Holder has previously given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default;
- (b) the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute Proceedings with respect to the Event of Default in its own name as Trustee under this Indenture and the Holders have offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with the request;
- (c) the Trustee for 30 days after its receipt of the notice, request and offer of indemnity has failed to institute a Proceeding; and
- (d) no direction inconsistent with the written request has been given to the Trustee during the 30 day period by a Majority of the Controlling Class.

No Noteholder shall have any right in any manner whatsoever by virtue of, or by availing of, any provision of this Indenture to affect the rights of any other Noteholders of the same Class or to obtain or to seek to obtain priority or preference over any other Holders of Notes of the same Class or to enforce any right under this Indenture, except in the manner provided in this Indenture and for the equal and ratable benefit of all the Holders of Notes of the same Class subject to and in accordance with Section 13.1 and the Priority of Payments or Section 11.2, as the case may be.

If the Trustee receives conflicting or inconsistent requests and indemnity from two or more groups of Holders of the Controlling Class, each representing less than a Majority of the Controlling Class pursuant to this Section 5.8, the Trustee shall take the action requested by the Holders of the largest percentage in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, notwithstanding any other provisions of this Indenture but subject to Section 6.3(e).

## **5.9 Unconditional Rights of Noteholders**

Notwithstanding any provision of this Indenture other than this Section 5.9 and Sections 2.8(i), 5.4(d), and 13.1, the Holder of any Note shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive payment of the principal of and interest on the Note as it comes due in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Section 13.1, and, subject to Section 5.8, to institute proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment, and that right shall not be impaired without the consent of the Holder. Noteholders ranking junior to Notes still Outstanding may not institute proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment until no Note ranking senior to their Note remains Outstanding, subject to Section 5.8. For so long as any Notes are Outstanding, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be entitled to any payment of any amount for payments to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, on a claim against the Issuer unless there are sufficient funds to pay such amounts to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

## **5.10 Restoration of Rights and Remedies**

If the Trustee or the Holder of any Note has instituted any Proceeding to enforce any right under this Indenture and the Proceeding has been discontinued or abandoned for any reason, or has been determined adversely to the Trustee or to the Holder, then, subject to any determination in the Proceeding, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Holder shall be restored to their former positions under this Indenture, and thereafter all rights of the Trustee and the Holder shall continue as though no Proceeding had been instituted.

## **5.11 Rights and Remedies Cumulative**

No right in this Indenture conferred on or reserved to the Trustee or to the Noteholders is intended to be exclusive of any other right, and every right shall, to the extent permitted by law, be cumulative and in addition to every other right given under this Indenture or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or otherwise. The assertion or employment of any right under this Indenture, or otherwise, shall not prevent the concurrent assertion or employment of any other appropriate right.

## **5.12 Delay or Omission Not Waiver**

No delay or omission of the Trustee or the Holder of any Note to exercise any right accruing upon any Event of Default shall impair the right or be a waiver of the Event of Default or an acquiescence in it or of a subsequent Event of Default. Every right given by this Section 5 or by law to the Trustee or to the Noteholders may be exercised from time to time, and as often as deemed expedient, by the Trustee or by the applicable Noteholders.

### **5.13 Control by Majority of the Controlling Class**

- (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, during the continuance of an Event of Default, a Majority of the Controlling Class may institute and direct the time, method and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any right of the Trustee with respect to the Notes if:
  - (i) the direction does not conflict with any rule of law or with any express provision of this Indenture; and
  - (ii) the Trustee has been indemnified to its reasonable satisfaction (and the Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability unless it has received an indemnity against the liability).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, only a Majority of the Controlling Class may direct proceedings with respect to remedies specified in Section 5.4(a) or otherwise with respect to the Collateral.

- (b) The Trustee may take any other action deemed proper by the Trustee that is not inconsistent with a direction under Section 5.13(a). Subject to Section 6.1, the Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability or expense (unless the Trustee has received an indemnity against the liabilities and expenses reasonably satisfactory to it) and during the continuance of an Event of Default that has not been cured, or waived, the Trustee shall, before receiving directions from a Majority of the Controlling Class, exercise the rights expressly vested in it by this Indenture and use the same degree of care and skill in their exercise with respect to the Event of Default as is required by Section 6.1(b).
- (c) Any direction to the Trustee to undertake a Sale of the Collateral shall be in accordance with Section 5.4 or 5.5.

### **5.14 Waiver of Past Defaults**

Before a judgment or decree for payment of any money due has been obtained by the Trustee, as provided in this Section 5, a Majority of the Controlling Class may on behalf of the Holders of all the Notes, with respect to the Notes waive any past Default and its consequences, except a Default:

- (a) in the payment of the principal or Redemption Price of any Note or in the payment of interest (including Defaulted Interest, Deferred Interest, and any interest on Defaulted Interest or Deferred Interest) on the Notes;
- (b) with respect to a provision of this Indenture that under Section 8.2 cannot be modified or amended without the waiver or consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected by the modification or amendment;



- (c) in the payment of amounts due to the Servicer, the Trustee or the Hedge Counterparty, which may only be waived with the consent of the affected party; or
- (d) arising as a result of an Event of Default described in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h).

Upon any such waiver, the Default shall cease to exist, and any Event of Default arising from it shall be cured, for every purpose of this Indenture, but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other Default or impair any right consequent thereto. The Trustee shall promptly give written notice of any such waiver to the Servicer, S&P, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Noteholder.

### **5.15 Undertaking for Costs**

All parties to this Indenture agree, and each Holder of any Note by its acceptance of its Note agrees, that in any suit for the enforcement of any right under this Indenture, or in any suit against the Trustee or the Servicer for any action taken or omitted by it as Trustee or for any action taken or omitted by the Servicer, as applicable, any court may in its discretion require the filing by any party litigant in the suit of an undertaking to pay the costs of the suit, and that the court may in its discretion assess reasonable costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, against any party litigant in the suit, having due regard to the merits and good faith of the claims or defenses made by the party litigant. This Section 5.15 shall not apply to any suit instituted by the Trustee or the Servicer, to any suit instituted by any Holder, or group of Holders, of Notes holding in the aggregate more than 10% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, or to any suit instituted by any Noteholder for the enforcement of the payment of the principal of or interest on any Note or any other amount payable under this Indenture after the applicable Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, after the applicable Redemption Date).

### **5.16 Waiver of Stay or Extension Laws**

To the extent that they may lawfully do so, the Co-Issuers covenant that they will not at any time insist on, or plead, or in any manner whatsoever claim or take the benefit or advantage of, any stay or extension law or any valuation, appraisal, redemption, or marshalling law or rights, in each case wherever enacted, now or at any time hereafter in force, that may affect the covenants, the performance of, or any remedies under this Indenture. To the extent that they may lawfully do so, the Co-Issuers expressly waive all benefit or advantage of any such law or rights, and covenant that they shall not delay or impede the execution of any power in this Indenture granted to the Trustee or the Noteholders but will permit the execution of every power as though the law had not been enacted or rights created.



### 5.17 Sale of Collateral

- (a) The power to effect any sale (a ***Sale***) of any portion of the Collateral pursuant to Sections 5.4 and 5.5 shall not be exhausted by any one or more Sales as to any portion of the Collateral remaining unsold, but shall continue unimpaired until the entire Collateral is sold or all amounts secured by the Collateral have been paid. The Trustee may upon notice to the Noteholders and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), and shall, at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class with respect to Collateral, from time to time postpone any Sale by public announcement made at the time and place of the Sale. The Trustee waives its rights to any amount fixed by law as compensation for any Sale. The Trustee may deduct the reasonable expenses (including the reasonable fees and expenses of its agents and attorneys) incurred by it in connection with a Sale from its proceeds notwithstanding Section 6.8.
- (b) The Trustee may bid for and acquire any portion of the Collateral in connection with a public Sale of the Collateral, and may pay all or part of the purchase price by crediting against amounts owing on the Notes or other amounts secured by the Collateral all or part of the net proceeds of the Sale after deducting the reasonable expenses incurred by the Trustee in connection with the Sale notwithstanding Section 6.8. The Notes need not be produced to complete any Sale, or for the net proceeds of the Sale to be credited against amounts owing on the Notes. The Trustee may hold, lease, operate, manage or otherwise deal with any property so acquired in any manner permitted by law in accordance with this Indenture.
- (c) If any portion of the Collateral consists of securities issued without registration under the Securities Act (***Unregistered Securities***), the Trustee may seek an Opinion of Counsel, or, if no Opinion of Counsel can be obtained, seek a no action position from the Securities and Exchange Commission or any other relevant federal or state regulatory authorities, regarding the legality of a public or private Sale of the Unregistered Securities.
- (d) The Trustee shall execute and deliver an appropriate instrument of transfer transferring its interest in any portion of the Collateral in connection with its Sale. In addition, the Trustee is irrevocably appointed the agent and attorney-in-fact of the Issuer to transfer its interest in any portion of the Collateral in connection with its Sale, and to take all action necessary to effect the Sale. No purchaser or transferee at a Sale shall be bound to ascertain the Trustee's authority, to inquire into the satisfaction of any conditions precedent, or see to the application of any monies.

### 5.18 Action on the Notes

The Trustee's right to seek and recover judgment on the Notes or under this Indenture shall not be affected by the seeking or obtaining of or application for any other relief under or with respect to this Indenture. Neither the lien of this Indenture nor any rights or

remedies of the Trustee or the Noteholders shall be impaired by the recovery of any judgment by the Trustee against the Issuer or by the levy of any execution under the judgment on any portion of the Collateral or on any of the assets of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

## **6. THE TRUSTEE**

### **6.1 Certain Duties and Responsibilities**

- (a) Except during the continuance of an Event of Default known to the Trustee:
  - (i) the Trustee undertakes to perform the duties and only the duties specifically provided in this Indenture, and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Indenture against the Trustee; and
  - (ii) in the absence of bad faith on its part, the Trustee may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements and the correctness of the opinions expressed therein, on certificates or opinions furnished to the Trustee and conforming to the requirements of this Indenture; the Trustee shall examine any certificates or opinions that by any provision of this Indenture are specifically required to be furnished to the Trustee to determine whether or not they substantially conform on their face to the requirements of this Indenture and shall promptly notify the party delivering the same if the certificate or opinion does not conform. If a corrected form has not been delivered to the Trustee within 15 days after the notice from the Trustee, the Trustee shall so notify the Noteholders and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares).
- (b) If the Trustee has actual knowledge that an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall, before the receipt of directions from a Majority of the Controlling Class, exercise the rights and powers vested in it by this Indenture, and use the same degree of care and skill in its exercise, as a prudent Person would use under the circumstances in the conduct of the Person's own affairs.
- (c) No provision of this Indenture shall be construed to relieve the Trustee from liability for its own negligent action, its own negligent failure to act or its own willful misconduct, except that:
  - (i) this subsection shall not be construed to limit the effect of subsection (a) of this Section 6.1;
  - (ii) the Trustee shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by a Trust Officer, unless it is proven that the Trustee was negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts;

- (iii) the Trustee shall not be liable with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in good faith in accordance with the direction of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or the Servicer in accordance with this Indenture or a Majority (or the other percentage required or permitted by this Indenture) of the Controlling Class (or other Class if required or permitted by this Indenture) relating to the time, method, and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred on the Trustee, under this Indenture; and
  - (iv) no provision of this Indenture shall require the Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any financial liability in the performance of any of its duties under this Indenture, or in the exercise of any of its rights contemplated under this Indenture, if it has reasonable grounds for believing that repayment of the funds or indemnity satisfactory to it against the risk or liability is not reasonably assured to it; **provided** that the reasonable costs of performing its ordinary services under this Indenture shall not be deemed a "financial liability" for purposes hereof.
- (d) For all purposes under this Indenture, the Trustee shall not have notice or knowledge of any Event of Default described in Section 5.1(d) through 5.1(i) or any Default described in Section 5.1(e) through 5.1(i) unless a Trust Officer assigned to and working in the Corporate Trust Office has actual knowledge of it or unless written notice of any event that is in fact the an Event of Default or Default is received by the Trustee at the Corporate Trust Office, and the notice references the Notes generally, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Collateral or this Indenture. For purposes of determining the Trustee's responsibility and liability under this Indenture, whenever reference is made in this Indenture to an Event of Default or a Default, the reference shall be construed to refer only to an Event of Default or Default of which the Trustee has notice as described in this Section 6.1.
- (e) Whether or not therein expressly so provided, every provision of this Indenture relating to the conduct or affecting the liability of or affording protection to the Trustee shall be subject to this Section 6.1 and Section 6.3.

## 6.2 Notice of Default

Promptly (and in no event later than five Business Days) after the occurrence of any Default known to the Trustee or after any declaration of acceleration has been made or delivered to the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.2, the Trustee shall transmit notice of all Defaults under this Indenture known to the Trustee, unless the Default has been cured or waived, and of the declaration by mail to the Servicer and the Co-Issuers, each Rating Agency, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and to all Noteholders, as their names and addresses appear on the Indenture Register, the Irish Stock Exchange, for so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, and, upon written

request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit H certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee).

### **6.3 Certain Rights of Trustee**

Except as otherwise provided in Section 6.1:

- (a) the Trustee may rely and shall be protected in acting or refraining from acting on any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, note, or other paper or document (including but not limited to any reports prepared and delivered under Section 10) believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties;
- (b) any request or direction of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer mentioned in this Indenture shall be sufficiently evidenced by an Issuer Request or Issuer Order;
- (c) whenever in the administration of this Indenture the Trustee
  - (i) deems it desirable that a matter be proved or established before taking, suffering, or omitting any action under this Indenture, the Trustee may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely on an Officer's certificate (unless other evidence is specifically prescribed in this Indenture) or
  - (ii) is required to determine the value of, or any other matter with respect to, any Collateral or funds under this Indenture or the cash flows projected to be received therefrom, the Trustee may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely on reports of nationally recognized accountants, investment bankers or other persons qualified to provide the information required to make the determination, including nationally recognized dealers in securities of the type being valued and securities quotation services;
- (d) as a condition to taking or omitting to take any action under this Indenture, the Trustee may consult with counsel and the advice of the counsel or any Opinion of Counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection with respect to any action taken or omitted by it under this Indenture in good faith and in reliance thereon;
- (e) the Trustee need not exercise any of the rights or powers vested in it by this Indenture at the request or direction of any of the Noteholders (or other Person authorized or permitted hereby to give such direction) pursuant to this Indenture, unless the Holders (or such Person, as the case may be) have offered to the Trustee security or indemnity satisfactory to it against the costs and liabilities that might reasonably be incurred by it in compliance with the request or direction;
- (f) the Trustee need not make any investigation into the facts or matters stated in any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request,

- direction, consent, order, note or other paper or document, but the Trustee, in its discretion, may, and upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, subject to Section 6.3(e), shall, make any the further inquiry or investigation into the facts or matters that it deems appropriate or as it is directed, and the Trustee shall be entitled, on reasonable prior notice to the Co-Issuers and the Servicer, to examine the books and records relating to the Notes, the Collateral, personally or by agent or attorney, during the Co-Issuers' or the Servicer's normal business hours. The Trustee shall, and shall cause its agents to, hold in confidence all such information, except to the extent (i) disclosure may be required by law by any regulatory or administrative authority and (ii) that the Trustee, in its sole judgment, determines that disclosure is consistent with its obligations under this Indenture; **provided, however**, that the Trustee may disclose on a confidential basis any such information to its agents, attorneys and auditors in connection with the performance of its responsibilities hereunder;
- (g) the Trustee may execute any of the trusts or powers under this Indenture or perform any duties under this Indenture either directly or by or through agents or attorneys, and the Trustee shall not be responsible for any misconduct or negligence on the part of any non-Affiliated agent, or non-Affiliated attorney, appointed with due care by it under this Indenture;
  - (h) the Trustee shall not be liable for any action it takes or omits to take in good faith that it reasonably believes to be authorized or within its rights or powers under this Indenture;
  - (i) nothing in this Indenture shall be construed to impose an obligation on the Trustee to recalculate, evaluate, or verify any report, certificate or information received from the Issuer or Servicer;
  - (j) the Trustee may request and receive (and rely on) instruction from the Issuer, the Servicer, or the accountants identified in the Accountants' Certificate (and in the absence of its receipt of timely instruction from them, may obtain from an Independent accountant at the expense of the Issuer) as to the application of GAAP to the extent any defined term in this Indenture, or any calculation required to be made or determined by the Trustee under this Indenture, is dependent on or defined by reference to United States generally accepted accounting principles (**GAAP**), in any instance;
  - (k) the permissive rights of the Trustee to take or refrain from taking any actions enumerated in this Indenture are not duties;
  - (l) the Trustee is not responsible for the accuracy of the books and records of, or for any acts or omissions of, the Depository, any Transfer Agent, Custodian, Securities Intermediary, Collateral Administrator, Clearstream, Euroclear, Calculation Agent or any Paying Agent (in each case, other than the Bank acting in that capacity);

- (m) in purchasing or disposing of any asset permitted by this Indenture, the Trustee is authorized to deal with itself (in its individual capacity) or with any one or more of its Affiliates, whether it or the Affiliate is acting as a subagent of the Trustee or for any third Person or dealing as principal for its own account. If otherwise qualified, obligations of the Bank or any of its Affiliates shall qualify as Eligible Investments under this Indenture; and
- (n) if the Bank is also acting in the capacity of Paying Agent, Transfer Agent, Custodian, Calculation Agent or Securities Intermediary under this Indenture, the rights protections, immunities, and indemnities afforded to the Trustee pursuant to this Section 6 shall also be afforded to the Bank acting in those capacities.

#### **6.4 Not Responsible for Recitals or Issuance of the Notes**

The recitals contained in this Indenture and in the Notes, other than the Certificate of Authentication, shall be taken as the statements of the Applicable Issuers. The Trustee assumes no responsibility for their correctness. The Trustee makes no representation as to the validity or sufficiency of this Indenture (except as may be made with respect to the validity of the Trustee's obligations under this Indenture), the Collateral or the Notes. The Trustee shall not be accountable for the use or application by the Co-Issuers of the Notes or their proceeds or any money paid to the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture.

#### **6.5 May Hold Notes**

- (a) The Trustee, any Paying Agent, Indenture Registrar or any other agent of the Co-Issuers, in its individual or any other capacity, may become the owner or pledgee of Notes and may otherwise deal with the Co-Issuers or any of their Affiliates with the same rights it would have if it were not Trustee, Paying Agent, Indenture Registrar or other agent.

#### **6.6 Acquisition of Preference Shares**

The Trustee, in its individual or any other capacity, agrees that after the initial distribution of the Preference Shares, neither the Trustee nor any of its affiliates (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) will acquire any Preference Shares (including pursuant to a Maturity Extension, a Refinancing and the Amendment Buy-Out Option) unless such acquisition would not, as determined by the Trustee in reliance on representations made in the applicable transfer certificates with respect thereto, result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of any of the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such acquisition (determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA, this Indenture and the Preference Share Documents). Any Preference Shares held as principal by the Trustee or any of its affiliates shall be disregarded and shall not be treated as outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% limitation to the extent that such person has represented that it is not a Benefit Plan Investor.

## **6.7 Money Held in Trust**

Money held by the Trustee under this Indenture shall be held in trust to the extent required in this Indenture. The Trustee shall be under no liability for interest on any money received by it under this Indenture except as otherwise agreed on with the Issuer and except to the extent of income or other gain on assets that are deposits in or certificates of deposit of the Bank in its commercial capacity and income or other gain actually received by the Trustee on Eligible Investments. Under no circumstances shall the Trustee be responsible for any losses on assets purchased in accordance with an Issuer Order or a written order or request by the Servicer, unless such asset is purchased in an obligation of the Trustee in its corporate capacity.

## **6.8 Compensation and Reimbursement**

(a) The Issuer agrees:

- (i) to pay the Trustee on each Payment Date reasonable compensation for all services rendered by it under this Indenture in accordance with its letter agreement with the Trustee (which compensation shall not be limited by any provision of law in regard to the compensation of a trustee of an express trust);
- (ii) except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture or in its letter agreement with the Trustee, to reimburse the Trustee in a timely manner upon its request for all reasonable expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or made by the Trustee in accordance with this Indenture (including securities transaction charges and the reasonable compensation and expenses and disbursements of its agents and legal counsel and of any accounting firm or investment banking firm employed by the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.4, 5.5, 10.5 or 10.7, except any such expense, disbursement or advance attributable to its negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith) but with respect to securities transaction charges, only to the extent they have not been waived during a Due Period due to the Trustee's receipt of a payment from a financial institution with respect to certain Eligible Investments, as specified by the Servicer;
- (iii) to indemnify the Trustee and its officers, directors, employees and agents for any loss, liability or expense (including reasonable attorney's fees and costs) incurred without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith on their part, arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of this Indenture or the performance of its duties hereunder, including the costs and expenses of defending themselves against any claim or liability in connection with the exercise or performance of any of their powers or duties under this Indenture; and



- (iv) to pay the Trustee reasonable additional compensation together with its expenses (including reasonable counsel fees and costs) for any collection action taken pursuant to Section 6.14.
- (b) The Trustee shall receive amounts pursuant to this Section 6.8 as provided in Sections 11.1(a)(i) and (ii) but only to the extent that funds are available for their payment. Subject to Section 6.10, the Trustee shall continue to serve as Trustee under this Indenture notwithstanding the fact that the Trustee has not received amounts due to it under this Indenture. No direction by the Noteholders shall affect the right of the Trustee to collect amounts owed to it under this Indenture. If on any date when a fee is payable to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture insufficient funds are available for its payment any portion of a fee not so paid shall be deferred and payable on the next date on which a fee is payable and sufficient funds are available for it.
- (c) The Trustee agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy for the non-payment to the Trustee of any amounts provided by this Section 6.8 until at least one year and one day, or if longer the applicable preference period then in effect plus one day, after the payment in full of all Notes issued under this Indenture and the payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent of all amounts payable with respect to the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Nothing in this Section 6.8(c) shall prohibit or otherwise prevent the Trustee from filing proofs of claim in any bankruptcy, insolvency or similar proceeding.
- (d) The indemnification set forth in this Section 6.8 shall survive the termination of this Indenture.

## **6.9 Corporate Trustee Required; Eligibility**

There shall at all times be a Trustee under this Indenture that is an Independent "bank" (within the meaning of the Investment Company Act) organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America or of any state of the United States, authorized under those laws to exercise corporate trust powers, having a combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000, subject to supervision or examination by federal or state banking authority, having a rating of at least "Baa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) by Moody's and at least "BBB+" by S&P, and having an office within the United States. In addition, the Trustee shall not be "affiliated" (within the meaning of Rule 405 under the Securities Act) with either of the Co-Issuers or any person involved in the organization or operation of either of the Co-Issuers and shall not provide credit or credit enhancement to either of the Co-Issuers; provided that the requirements of the preceding sentence shall be met if (a) the Trustee is not "affiliated" (as defined in the preceding sentence) with the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Administrator or the Share Registrar, (b) neither the Trustee nor the Issuer has actual knowledge, or has received written notice, that the Trustee is "affiliated" (as defined in the preceding sentence) with any person involved with the organization or operation of either of the Co-Issuers, and (c) the Trustee has not provided and does not provide credit or credit enhancement to either



of the Co-Issuers. For purposes of the preceding clause (b), (i) the "actual knowledge" of the Trustee shall mean (x) its knowledge of those persons who have been expressly identified in writing to it by either or both of the Co-Issuers, or the Servicer on their behalf or (y) any persons otherwise actually known to a Responsible Officer of the Trustee, in either case, to be a person involved with the organization or operation either of the Co-Issuers, without any duty of independent inquiry or investigation on the part of the Trustee, and (ii) unless and except to the extent it has been otherwise expressly notified in writing by the Issuer, or the Servicer on its behalf, the Trustee shall be entitled to presume that the Issuer has no knowledge of such an affiliation. If the Trustee publishes reports of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or to the requirements of its supervising or examining authority, then for the purposes of this Section 6.9, the combined capital and surplus of the Trustee shall be its combined capital and surplus in its most recent published report of condition. If at any time the Trustee ceases to be eligible in accordance with this Section 6.9, it shall resign immediately in the manner and with the effect specified in Section 6.10.

#### **6.10 Resignation and Removal; Appointment of Successor**

- (a) No resignation or removal of the Trustee and no appointment of a successor Trustee pursuant to this Section 6 shall become effective until the acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee under Section 6.11. The indemnification in favor of the Trustee shall survive any resignation or removal of the Trustee.
- (b) The Trustee may resign at any time by giving not less than 30 days' written notice to the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency. Upon receiving the notice of resignation, the Co-Issuers shall by Board Resolution (or, if an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class) promptly appoint a successor trustee satisfying the requirements of Section 6.9, by written instrument, in duplicate, executed by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer and an Authorized Officer of the Co-Issuer, one copy of which shall be delivered to the resigning Trustee and one copy to the successor Trustee, together with a copy to each Noteholder, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and the Servicer. If no successor Trustee has been appointed and an instrument of acceptance by a successor Trustee has not been delivered to the Trustee within 60 days after the giving of the notice of resignation, the resigning Trustee or any Noteholder, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee satisfying the requirements of Section 6.9.
- (c) The Trustee may be removed (i) at any time by the Co-Issuers as directed by Board Resolution (or, if an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, by an Act of a Majority of the Controlling Class) or (ii) by order of a court of competent jurisdiction, delivered to the Trustee and to the Co-Issuers.

- (d) If at any time:
- (i) the Trustee ceases to be eligible under Section 6.9 and fails to resign after written request by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class; or
  - (ii) the Trustee becomes incapable of acting or is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent or a receiver or liquidator of the Trustee or of its property appointed or any public officer takes charge or control of the Trustee or of its property or affairs for the purpose of rehabilitation, conservation or liquidation,

then, in any such case (subject to Section 6.10(a)), (A) the Co-Issuers, by Issuer Order (as directed by Board Resolution), may, and at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall, remove the Trustee or (B) subject to Section 5.15, or any Holder may, on behalf of itself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor Trustee.

- (e) If the Trustee is removed or becomes incapable of acting, or if a vacancy occurs in the office of the Trustee for any reason (other than resignation), the Co-Issuers, by Issuer Order (as directed by Board Resolution) or at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, shall promptly appoint a successor Trustee. If the Co-Issuers fail to appoint a successor Trustee within 60 days after the removal or incapability or the occurrence of the vacancy, a successor Trustee may be appointed by a Majority of the Controlling Class by written instrument delivered to the Issuer and the retiring Trustee. The successor Trustee so appointed shall, upon its acceptance of its appointment, become the successor Trustee and supersede any successor Trustee proposed by the Co-Issuers. If no successor Trustee has been so appointed by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class and accepted appointment pursuant to Section 6.11, subject to Section 5.15, then the Trustee to be replaced, or any Holder, may, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee.
- (f) The Co-Issuers shall give prompt notice of each resignation and each removal of the Trustee and each appointment of a successor Trustee by mailing written notice of the event by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the Servicer, to each Rating Agency, to the Noteholders as their names and addresses appear in the Indenture Register and to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares). Each notice shall include the name of the successor Trustee and the address of its Corporate Trust Office. If the Co-Issuers fail to mail the notice within 10 days after acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee, the successor Trustee shall cause the notice to be given at the expense of the Co-Issuers.

- (g) If the Trustee resigns or is removed hereunder, unless and except to the extent otherwise expressly agreed by it in writing (which shall include agreement over terms of compensation), the Bank likewise shall automatically and immediately be declared to have resigned or been removed, as the case may be, in all other capacities in which it serves hereunder, and as Collateral Administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement and Preference Shares Paying Agent under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and the acceptance of appointment by the Person serving as successor Trustee shall constitute an acceptance of appointment by it in each such other capacity.

#### **6.11 Acceptance of Appointment by Successor**

Every successor Trustee appointed under this Indenture shall execute, acknowledge, and deliver to the Co-Issuers and the retiring Trustee an instrument accepting its appointment. Upon delivery of the required instruments, the resignation or removal of the retiring Trustee shall become effective and the successor Trustee, without any further act, shall become vested with all the rights and obligations of the retiring Trustee; but, on request of the Co-Issuers or a Majority of any Class of Notes or the successor Trustee, the retiring Trustee shall, upon payment of any amounts then due to it, execute and deliver an instrument transferring to the successor Trustee all the rights and obligations of the retiring Trustee, and shall duly assign, transfer and deliver to the successor Trustee all property and money held by the retiring Trustee under this Indenture. Upon request of any successor Trustee, the Co-Issuers shall execute any instruments to more fully and certainly vest in and confirm to the successor Trustee all the rights and obligations of the Trustee under this Indenture.

No successor Trustee shall accept its appointment unless at the time of its acceptance the successor is qualified and eligible under Section 6.9 and either (a) each Rating Agency has been notified and the successor has long-term debt rated within the four highest rating categories by each Rating Agency, or (b) if not rated within the four highest categories by each Rating Agency, the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto.

#### **6.12 Merger, Conversion, Consolidation, or Succession to Business of Trustee**

Any entity into which the Trustee may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any entity resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Trustee is a party, or any entity succeeding to all or substantially all of the corporate trust business of the Trustee, shall be the successor of the Trustee under this Indenture (and of the Bank under all of its other capacities under this Indenture, including as Custodian, Securities Intermediary, Indenture Registrar and Paying Agent) without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto. If any of the Notes have been authenticated, but not delivered, by the Trustee then in office, any successor by merger, conversion or consolidation to the authenticating Trustee may adopt the authentication and deliver the Notes so authenticated with the same effect as if the successor Trustee had itself authenticated the Notes.

### 6.13 Co-Trustees

At any time, to meet the legal requirements of any jurisdiction in which any part of the Collateral may at the time be located, the Co-Issuers and the Trustee may appoint a co-trustee (subject to the approval of the Rating Agencies) to act jointly with the Trustee, with respect to all or any part of the Collateral, with the power to file proofs of claim and take any other actions pursuant to Section 5.6 in this Indenture and to make claims and enforce rights of action on behalf of the Noteholders, as the Holders themselves have the right to do, subject to the other provisions of this Section 6.13.

The Co-Issuers shall join with the Trustee in the execution, delivery and performance of all instruments and agreements necessary or proper to appoint a co-trustee. If the Co-Issuers do not join in the appointment within 15 days after they receive a request to do so, the Trustee may make the appointment.

Any instruments to more fully confirm a co-trustee's appointment shall, on request, be executed, acknowledged and delivered by the Co-Issuers. The Co-Issuers agree to pay (but only from and to the extent of the Collateral), to the extent funds are available therefor under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1), any reasonable fees and expenses in connection with the appointment.

Every co-trustee shall, to the extent permitted by law, but to that extent only, be appointed subject to the following terms:

- (a) the Notes shall be authenticated and delivered and all rights and obligations under this Indenture in respect of the custody of securities, cash and other personal property held by, or required to be deposited or pledged with, the Trustee under this Indenture, shall be exercised solely by the Trustee;
- (b) the rights and obligations conferred or imposed on the Trustee in respect of any property covered by the appointment of a co-trustee shall be conferred or imposed on and exercised or performed by the Trustee or by the Trustee and the co-trustee jointly as provided in the instrument appointing the co-trustee;
- (c) the Trustee at any time, by an instrument in writing executed by it, with the concurrence of the Co-Issuers evidenced by an Issuer Order, may accept the resignation of or remove any co-trustee appointed under this Section 6.13, and if an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall have the power to accept the resignation of, or remove, any co-trustee without the concurrence of the Co-Issuers. A successor to any co-trustee so resigned or removed may be appointed in the manner provided in this Section 6.13;
- (d) no co-trustee under this Indenture shall be personally liable because of any act or omission of the Trustee under this Indenture;
- (e) the Trustee shall not be liable because of any act or omission of a co-trustee; and

- (f) any Act of Noteholders delivered to the Trustee shall be deemed to have been delivered to each co-trustee.

#### **6.14 Certain Duties of Trustee Related to Delayed Payment of Proceeds**

If in any month the Trustee has not received a payment with respect to any Pledged Obligation on its Due Date:

- (a) the Trustee shall promptly notify the Issuer and the Servicer in writing, and
- (b) unless the payment is received by the Trustee within three Business Days (or the end of the applicable grace period for the payment, if longer) after the notice, or unless the Issuer, in its absolute discretion (but only to the extent permitted by Section 10.2(a)), makes provision for the payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with Section 10.2(a), the Trustee shall request the issuer of the Pledged Obligation, the trustee under the related Underlying Instrument, or paying agent (save for the Irish Paying Agent) designated by either of them to make the payment as soon as practicable after the request but in no event later than three Business Days after the date of the request. If the payment is not made within that time period, the Trustee, subject to clause (iv) of Section 6.1(c), shall take the action directed by the Servicer in writing. Any such action shall be without prejudice to any right to claim a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture. If the Issuer or the Servicer requests a release of a Pledged Obligation or delivers a Collateral Obligation in connection with any such action under the Servicing Agreement, the release or substitution shall be subject to Section 10.6 and Section 12. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the Trustee shall deliver to the Issuer or its designee any payment with respect to any Pledged Obligation or any Collateral Obligation received after its Due Date to the extent the Issuer previously made provisions for the payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with this Section 6.14 and the payment shall not be part of the Collateral.

#### **6.15 Authenticating Agents**

Upon the request of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee shall, and if the Trustee so chooses the Trustee may, appoint one or more Authenticating Agents with power to act on its behalf and subject to its direction in the authentication of the Notes in connection with issuance, transfers, and exchanges under Sections 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, and 8.5, as fully to all intents and purposes as though each Authenticating Agent had been expressly authorized by those Sections to authenticate the Notes. For all purposes of this Indenture, the authentication of Notes by an Authenticating Agent pursuant to this Section 6.15 shall be the authentication of the Notes "by the Trustee."

Any Authenticating Agent may at any time resign by giving written notice of resignation to the Trustee and the Issuer. The Trustee may at any time terminate the agency of any

Authenticating Agent by giving written notice of termination to the Authenticating Agent and the Co-Issuers.

The Co-Issuers agree to pay to each Authenticating Agent from time to time reasonable compensation for its services, and reimbursement for its reasonable expenses relating to its services as an Administrative Expense; **provided, however**, that if the Trustee elects to appoint an Authenticating Agent without the approval or request of the Co-Issuers, then the Trustee shall pay such compensation and reimbursement. Sections 2.9, 6.4, and 6.5 shall be applicable to any Authenticating Agent.

#### **6.16 Fiduciary for Noteholders Only; Agent for Secured Parties**

With respect to the security interest created under this Indenture, the delivery of any Pledged Obligation to the Trustee is to the Trustee as representative of the Noteholders and agent for the other Secured Parties. In furtherance of the foregoing, the possession by the Trustee of any Pledged Obligation and the endorsement to or registration in the name of the Trustee of any Pledged Obligation (including as Entitlement Holder of the Custodial Account) are all undertaken by the Trustee in its capacity as representative of the Noteholders and agent for the other Secured Parties.

#### **6.17 Representations and Warranties of the Bank**

The Bank represents and warrants as follows for the benefit of the Noteholders:

- (a) **Organization.** The Bank has been duly organized and is validly existing as a Massachusetts trust company and has the power to conduct its business and affairs as a trustee.
- (b) **Authorization; Binding Obligations.** The Bank has the corporate power and authority to perform the duties and obligations of trustee under this Indenture. The Bank has taken all necessary corporate action to authorize the execution, delivery and performance of this Indenture, and all of the documents required to be executed by the Bank pursuant to this Indenture. Upon execution and delivery by the Bank, this Indenture will be the valid and legally binding obligation of the Bank enforceable in accordance with its terms.
- (c) **Eligibility.** The Bank is eligible under Section 6.9 to serve as Trustee under this Indenture.

#### **6.18 Withholding Tax Forms**

The Issuer hereby agrees to deliver or cause to be delivered, a United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-8BEN (or successor form thereto) or any other appropriate tax certificates to the relevant issuer of its Collateral Obligations and issuer of its Eligible Investments at the time such Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments are purchased by the Issuer and thereafter as required under the relevant law. In addition, the Issuer



hereby agrees to deliver, and the Issuer shall be required to deliver, United States Internal Revenue Service Forms W-8BEN (or successor form thereto) and other appropriate United States tax forms as may be required by the Hedge Counterparty, to the Hedge Counterparty at the time the Hedge Agreement is entered into and thereafter prior to the expiration or obsolescence of such form, and shall take any other action appropriate to prevent withholding or backup withholding tax on the Hedge Agreements. The Issuer shall represent, to the Hedge Counterparty in the master agreement, confirmation or schedule to the Hedge Agreement, that the Issuer is a "non-U.S. branch" of a foreign person as that term is used in section 1.1441-4(a)(3)(ii) of the United States Treasury Regulations and a "foreign person" as that term is used in Section 1.6041-4(a)(4) of the United States Treasury Regulations. The Issuer will request that the Hedge Counterparty provide the Issuer a United States Internal Revenue Service Forms W-9 or W-8, as applicable, together with any required attachments, at the time the Hedge Agreement is entered into and thereafter prior to the expiration or obsolescence of such form.

#### **6.19 Withholding Tax**

If any withholding tax is imposed on the Issuer's payment under the Notes or otherwise to any Noteholder, such tax shall reduce the amount of such payment otherwise distributable to such Noteholder or Beneficial Owner. The Trustee or the applicable paying agent is hereby authorized and directed to retain from amounts otherwise distributable to any Noteholder sufficient funds for the payment of any tax that is legally owed by the Issuer (but such authorization shall not prevent the Trustee from contesting any such tax in appropriate proceedings and withholding payment of such tax, if permitted by law, pending the outcome of such proceedings) and to remit such amounts to the appropriate taxing authorities. The amount of any withholding tax imposed with respect to any Noteholder or Beneficial Owner shall be treated as Cash distributed to such Noteholder or Beneficial Owner at the time it is withheld by the Trustee. If there is a possibility that withholding tax is payable with respect to a distribution, the Trustee may in its sole discretion withhold such amounts in accordance with this Section 6.18. If any Noteholder or Beneficial Owner wishes to apply for a refund of any such withholding tax, the Trustee shall reasonably cooperate with such Noteholder or Beneficial Owner in making such claim so long as such Noteholder or Beneficial Owner agrees to reimburse the Trustee for any out-of-pocket expenses incurred. Failure of a Holder of a Note to provide the Trustee or any Paying Agent and the Issuer with appropriate tax certificates may result in amounts being withheld from the payment to such Holders. Nothing herein shall impose an obligation on the part of the Trustee to determine the amount of any tax or withholding obligation on the part of the Issuer or in respect of the Notes. Amounts withheld pursuant to applicable tax laws shall be considered as having been paid by the Issuer as provided in Section 7.1.

## **7. COVENANTS**

### **7.1 Payment of Principal and Interest**

The Applicable Issuers shall pay the principal of and interest on the Notes in accordance with the Notes and this Indenture.

The Issuer shall, subject to the Priority of Payments, reimburse the Co-Issuer for any amounts paid by the Co-Issuer pursuant to the Notes or this Indenture. The Co-Issuer shall not reimburse the Issuer for any amounts paid by the Issuer pursuant to the Notes or this Indenture.

Amounts properly withheld under the Code or other applicable law by any Person from a payment to any Holder shall be considered as having been paid by the Applicable Issuers to the Holder for all purposes of this Indenture.

### **7.2 Maintenance of Office or Agency**

The Co-Issuers appoint the Trustee as a Paying Agent for the payment of principal of and interest on the Notes. The Co-Issuers appoint State Street Bank and Trust Company, 200 Clarendon Street, Mailcode EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116, Attn: CDO Services Group, as the Co-Issuers' agent where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Notes or this Indenture may be served and where the Notes may be surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

The Co-Issuers may at any time and from time to time vary or terminate the appointment of any Paying Agent or appoint any additional agents for all of these purposes.

The Co-Issuers hereby appoint Corporation Service Company with an address at 1133 Avenue of the Americas, Suite 3100, New York, New York 10036, as the Co-Issuers' agent where service of any and all process in any action or Proceeding may be delivered.

No paying agent shall be appointed in a jurisdiction that subjects payments on the Notes to withholding tax.

So long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, the Co-Issuers shall maintain in Ireland a Paying Agent.

The Co-Issuers appoint, for so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, Maples Finance Dublin (the "***Irish Paying Agent***") as Paying Agent in Ireland with respect to the Notes. If the Irish Paying Agent is replaced at any time when any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, notice of the appointment of any replacement shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange as promptly as practicable after the appointment. The Co-Issuers shall give prompt written notice to the Trustee, each Rating Agency, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and the Holders of the Notes



of the appointment or termination of any such agent and of the location and any change in the location of any such office or agency.

If at any time the Co-Issuers fail to maintain any required office or agency in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, or outside the United States, or fail to furnish the Trustee with their addresses, notices and demands may be served on the Co-Issuers.

### **7.3 Money for Note Payments to be Held in Trust**

All payments of amounts payable with respect to any Notes that are to be made from amounts withdrawn from the Payment Account shall be made on behalf of the Applicable Issuers by the Trustee or a Paying Agent with respect to payments on the Notes.

When the Applicable Issuers have a Paying Agent that is not also the Indenture Registrar, they shall furnish not later than the fifth calendar day after each Record Date a list in the form the Paying Agent reasonably requests, of the names and addresses of the Holders and of the certificate numbers of individual Notes held by each Holder.

Whenever the Applicable Issuers have a Paying Agent other than the Trustee, they shall, on or before the Business Day before each Payment Date or Redemption Date direct the Trustee to deposit on the Payment Date with the Paying Agent an aggregate sum sufficient to pay the amounts then becoming due (to the extent funds are then available for that purpose in the Payment Account), that sum to be held in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled to it and (unless the Paying Agent is the Trustee) the Co-Issuers shall promptly notify the Trustee of its action or failure so to act. Any monies deposited with a Paying Agent (other than the Trustee) in excess of an amount sufficient to pay the amounts then becoming due on the Notes with respect to which the deposit was made shall be paid over by the Paying Agent to the Trustee for application in accordance with Section 10.

Additional or successor Paying Agents shall be appointed by Issuer Order with written notice of the appointment to the Trustee. So long as Notes of any Class are rated by a Rating Agency any Paying Agent must either have a long-term debt rating of "Aa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or higher by Moody's and "AA-" or higher by S&P or a short-term debt rating of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P or the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency must be satisfied with respect to its appointment. If a successor Paying Agent ceases to have a long-term debt rating of "Aa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or higher by Moody's and "AA-" or higher by S&P or a short-term debt rating of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) by Moody's and a short-term debt rating of "A-1+" by S&P, the Co-Issuers shall promptly remove the Paying Agent and appoint a successor Paying Agent. The Co-Issuers shall not appoint any Paying Agent that is not, at the time of the appointment, a depository institution or trust company subject to supervision and examination by federal or state or national banking authorities. The Co-Issuers shall cause each Paying Agent other than the Trustee

to execute and deliver to the Trustee an instrument in which the Paying Agent agrees with the Trustee, subject to this Section 7.3, that the Paying Agent will:

- (i) allocate all sums received for payment to the Noteholders for which it acts as Paying Agent on each Payment Date and any Redemption Date among the Holders in the proportion specified in the applicable report to the extent permitted by applicable law;
- (ii) hold all sums held by it for the payment of amounts due with respect to the Notes in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled to them until they are paid or otherwise disposed of as provided in this Indenture;
- (iii) immediately resign as a Paying Agent and forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums held by it in trust for the payment of the Notes if at any time it ceases to meet the standards required to be met by a Paying Agent at the time of its appointment;
- (iv) immediately give the Trustee notice of any default by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer (or any other obligor on the Notes) in the making of any payment required to be made; and
- (v) during the continuance of any such default, upon the written request of the Trustee, forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums so held in trust by the Paying Agent.

To obtain the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture or for any other purpose, the Co-Issuers may at any time pay, or by Issuer Order direct any Paying Agent to pay, to the Trustee all sums held in trust by the Co-Issuers or the Paying Agent, and, upon the payment by any Paying Agent to the Trustee, the Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to the money paid.

Any money deposited with a Paying Agent and not previously returned that remains unclaimed for 15 Business Days shall be returned to the Trustee. Except as otherwise required by applicable law, any money deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for the payment of the principal of or interest on any Note and remaining unclaimed for two years after the principal or interest has become payable shall be paid to the Applicable Issuers. The Noteholder shall thereafter look only to the Applicable Issuers for payment of the amounts due to it as an unsecured general creditor and all liability of the Trustee or the Paying Agent with respect to that money (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Applicable Issuers) shall thereupon cease. The Trustee or the Paying Agent, before being required to release any payment, may, but shall not be required to, adopt and employ, at the expense of the Applicable Issuers any reasonable means of notification of the release of the payment, including mailing notice of the release to Holders whose Notes have been called but have not been surrendered for redemption or whose right to or interest in monies payable but not claimed is

determinable from the records of any Paying Agent, at the last address of record of each Holder.

#### **7.4 Existence of Co-Issuers**

- (a) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall maintain in full force their existence and rights as companies incorporated or organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands and the State of Delaware, respectively, and shall obtain and preserve their qualification to do business as foreign corporations (or, in the case of the Co-Issuer, as a limited liability company) in each jurisdiction in which the qualifications are necessary to protect the validity and enforceability of this Indenture, the Notes, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and any of the Collateral.

However, the Issuer may change its jurisdiction of incorporation from the Cayman Islands to any other jurisdiction reasonably selected by the Issuer so long as:

- (A) the Issuer has received a legal opinion (on which the Trustee may rely) to the effect that the change is not disadvantageous in any material respect to the Holders, the Servicer or any Hedge Counterparty,
  - (B) written notice of the change has been given by the Issuer to the Trustee, the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer, any Hedge Counterparty and each Rating Agency,
  - (C) on or before the 15th Business Day following its receipt of the notice the Trustee has not received written notice from a Majority of the Controlling Class objecting to the change,
  - (D) the Rating Condition with respect to S&P is satisfied, and
  - (E) the Issuer shall cause to be delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel stating that, in such counsel's opinion, all necessary filings, if any, and other necessary actions, if any, have been taken to maintain the effectiveness of the perfection of the security interest granted in the Collateral hereunder immediately after such change in the Issuer's jurisdiction of incorporation.
- (b) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall ensure that all corporate or other formalities regarding their respective existences (including holding regular board of directors', shareholders', independent managers' or other similar, meetings to the extent required by applicable law) are followed. Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall take any action or conduct its affairs in a manner that is likely to result

in its separate existence being ignored or in its assets and liabilities being substantively consolidated with any other Person in a bankruptcy, reorganization or other insolvency proceeding. Without limiting the foregoing,

- (i) Except as may be provided in Annex 1 to the Servicing Agreement, the Issuer shall not have any subsidiaries (other than the Co-Issuer),
- (ii) the Co-Issuer shall not have any subsidiaries,
- (iii) the Issuer shall maintain at all times at least one director who is Independent of the Servicer, the Trustee and any of their respective Affiliates,
- (iv) the Issuer shall not commingle its funds with the funds of any other Person, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture, and
- (v) except to the extent contemplated in the Servicing Agreement, the Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the declaration of trust by the Share Trustee, the Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall not:
  - (A) engage in any transaction with any shareholder that would be a conflict of interest (the entry into the Administration Agreement with the Administrator shall not be deemed a conflict of interest), or
  - (B) pay dividends in violation of this Indenture, the resolutions of its board of directors and the Preference Share Documents.

## **7.5 Protection of Collateral**

- (a) The Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will procure any action within the Servicer's control that is reasonably necessary to maintain the perfection and priority of the security interest of the Trustee in the Collateral. The Issuer from time to time shall execute and deliver any supplements and amendments to this Indenture and shall execute and deliver any Financing Statements, continuation statements, instruments of further assurance, and other instruments and shall take any other action appropriate to secure the rights and remedies of the Secured Parties under this Indenture and to:
  - (i) Grant more effectively all or any portion of the Collateral;
  - (ii) maintain or preserve the lien (and its priority) of this Indenture or to carry out more effectively the purposes of this Indenture;

- (iii) perfect, publish notice of, or protect the validity of, any Grant made by this Indenture (including any actions appropriate as a result of changes in law);
- (iv) enforce any of the Pledged Obligations or other instruments or property included in the Collateral;
- (v) preserve and defend title to the Collateral and the rights of the Secured Parties in the Collateral against the claims of anyone; and
- (vi) pay when due all taxes levied or assessed on any part of the Collateral.

The Issuer designates the Servicer as its agent and attorney in fact to execute any Financing Statement, continuation statement, and all other instruments, and take all other actions, required pursuant to this Section 7.5.

The Issuer authorizes the filing without the Issuer's signature a financing statement that names the Issuer as "debtor" and State Street Bank and Trust Company as "secured party" (with or without indicating its capacity as Trustee hereunder) and that describes the Collateral as "all assets of the debtor, whether now owned or hereafter acquired and wherever located."

(b) The Trustee shall not:

- (i) except in accordance with Section 10.6(a), (b) or (c), remove any portion of the Collateral that consists of Cash or is evidenced by an instrument, certificate or other writing:
  - (A) from the jurisdiction in which it was held at the date the most recent Opinion of Counsel was delivered pursuant to Section 7.6 (or from the jurisdiction in which it was held as described in the Opinions of Counsel delivered at the Closing Date pursuant to Section 3.1(a)(iii) if no Opinion of Counsel has yet been delivered pursuant to Section 7.6), or
  - (B) from the possession of the Person who held it (other than the Bank), or
- (ii) cause or permit ownership or the pledge of any portion of the Collateral that consists of book-entry securities to be recorded on the books of a Person (other than the Bank):
  - (A) located in a different jurisdiction from the jurisdiction in which the ownership or pledge was recorded, or
  - (B) other than the Person on whose books the ownership or pledge was originally recorded, unless (in the case of any of the actions

described in clauses (i) or (ii) of this Section 7.5(b)) the Trustee shall have first received an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the lien and security interest created by this Indenture with respect to the property and its priority will continue to be maintained after giving effect to the change.

- (c) Without at least 30 days' prior written notice to the Trustee and the Servicer, the Issuer shall not change its "location" (as defined in Section 9-307 of the UCC) or change its name from the name shown on the signature pages of this Indenture.
- (d) The Issuer shall, subject to the Priority of Payments, enforce all of its material rights and remedies under the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, each Hedge Agreement and each Securities Lending Agreement.
- (e) The Issuer shall pay any taxes levied because any Pledged Obligations are owned by the Issuer.
- (f) The Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will either exercise the "put" option that prevents a Collateral Obligation from being a Long-Dated Collateral Obligation on the last available date before the Stated Maturity of the Notes or sell the Collateral Obligation for Sale Proceeds at least equal to the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation, in either case by the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

## **7.6 Opinions as to Collateral**

On or before November 1 in each calendar year, commencing in 2008, the Issuer shall furnish to the Trustee and each of the Rating Agencies, an Opinion of Counsel stating that in the opinion of such counsel as of the date of such opinion under the District of Columbia Uniform Commercial Code, the UCC financing statement(s) filed in connection with the lien and security interests created by this Indenture shall remain effective and no additional financing statements, continuation statements or amendments with respect to such financing statement(s) shall be required to be filed in the District of Columbia from the date thereof through the next twelve months to maintain the perfection of the security interest of this Indenture under the District of Columbia Uniform Commercial Code.

## **7.7 Performance of Obligations**

- (a) The Co-Issuers, each as to itself, shall not take any action, and shall use their reasonable commercial efforts not to permit any action to be taken by others, that would release any Person from any of the Person's covenants or obligations under any instrument included in the Collateral, except in the case of enforcement action taken with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this Indenture and actions by the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and in conformity with this Indenture or as otherwise required by this Indenture.

- (b) The Applicable Issuers may, with the prior written consent of a Majority of each Class of Notes and a Majority of the Preference Shares (except in the case of the Servicing Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement as initially executed), contract with other Persons (including the Servicer, the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator) for the performance of actions and obligations to be performed by the Applicable Issuers under this Indenture. Notwithstanding any such arrangement, the Applicable Issuers shall remain primarily liable for performance under this Indenture. The Applicable Issuers shall punctually perform, and use their reasonable commercial efforts to cause the Servicer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and any other Person to perform, all of their obligations in the Servicing Agreement, this Indenture, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement or any other agreement.

## **7.8 Negative Covenants**

- (a) The Issuer shall not and, with respect to clauses (ii), (iii), (iv), (vi) and (ix), the Co-Issuer shall not, in each case from and after the Closing Date:
- (i) sell, transfer, assign, exchange, or otherwise dispose of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecate, or otherwise encumber (or permit or suffer the sale, transfer, assignment, exchange, or other disposition of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecation, or other encumbering of), any part of the Collateral, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and the Servicing Agreement;
  - (ii) claim any credit on, make any deduction from, or, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable laws, dispute the enforceability of payment of the principal or interest (or any other amount) payable in respect of the Notes (other than amounts withheld in accordance with the Code or any applicable laws of the Cayman Islands) or assert any claim against any present or future Noteholder because of the payment of any taxes levied or assessed on any part of the Collateral;
  - (iii) (A) incur or assume or guarantee any indebtedness, other than the Notes and this Indenture and the transactions contemplated by this Indenture (including a Refinancing in accordance with Section 9.7 and including, as contemplated hereby, entering into the Hedge Agreements and Securities Lending Agreements) or (B) issue any additional class of securities other than the Preference Shares issued on or before the Closing Date, except as otherwise permitted by the Preference Share Documents;
  - (iv) (A) permit the validity or effectiveness of this Indenture or any Grant under this Indenture to be impaired, or permit the lien of this Indenture to be amended, hypothecated, subordinated, terminated, or discharged or permit any Person to be released from any covenants or obligations with



respect to this Indenture or the Notes, except as may be expressly permitted by this Indenture or by the Servicing Agreement, (B) permit any lien, charge, adverse claim, security interest, mortgage or other encumbrance (other than the lien of this Indenture) to be created on or extend to or otherwise arise on or burden any part of the Collateral, any interest in it, or its proceeds of or (C) take any action that would permit the lien of this Indenture not to be a valid first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral;

- (v) amend the Servicing Agreement except pursuant to its terms and Section 15.1(h) or amend the Collateral Administration Agreement except pursuant to its terms unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the amendment or enter into any waiver in respect of any of the foregoing agreements without providing written notice to each Rating Agency and the Trustee (and, with respect to the Collateral Administration Agreement, without the consent of the Trustee);
  - (vi) to the extent permitted by applicable law, dissolve or liquidate in whole or in part, except as permitted under this Indenture;
  - (vii) pay any dividends or other distributions other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents;
  - (viii) conduct business under any name other than its own;
  - (ix) have any employees (other than directors and officers to the extent they are employees);
  - (x) except for any Underlying Instrument and agreements involving the purchase or sale of Collateral Obligations having customary purchase or sale terms and documented with customary trading documentation (but not excepting any Synthetic Security or Hedge Agreement), enter into any agreement unless the agreement contains "non-petition" and "limited recourse" provisions and shall not amend such "non-petition" and "limited recourse" provisions without prior Rating Confirmation; or
  - (xi) operate so as to be subject to U.S. federal income taxes on its net income except as a result of ownership of Eligible Equity Securities, securities or other consideration received in an exchange or Defaulted Collateral Obligations pending their sale in accordance with Section 12.1.
- (b) Neither the Issuer nor the Trustee shall sell, transfer, exchange or otherwise dispose of Collateral, or enter into an agreement or commitment to do so, or enter into or engage in any business with respect to any part of the Collateral, except as



expressly permitted by this Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer, the Servicing Agreement.

- (c) The Co-Issuer shall not invest any of its assets in "securities" as the term is defined in the Investment Company Act, and shall keep all of its assets in Cash.
- (d) Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall use the proceeds of the Notes to buy or carry Margin Stock.

#### **7.9 Notice of Default; Statement as to Compliance**

- (a) The Co-Issuers shall notify the Trustee, the Servicer, the Rating Agencies and each Hedge Counterparty in writing within 10 days of acquiring actual knowledge of Default.
- (b) On or before September 15 in each calendar year, commencing in 2008, the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee (to be forwarded by the Trustee to the Servicer and each Noteholder making a written request therefor and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit H certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) and each Rating Agency) a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer that, to the best knowledge of the Issuer, no Default exists, and has not existed since the date of the last certificate or, if a Default does then exist or had existed, specifying the same and its nature and status, including actions undertaken to remedy it, and that the Issuer has complied with all of its obligations under this Indenture or, if that is not the case, specifying those obligations with which it has not complied.

#### **7.10 Co-Issuers May Consolidate, etc. Only on Certain Terms**

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer (the *Merging Entity*) shall consolidate or merge with or into any other Person or transfer or convey all or substantially all of its assets to any Person, unless permitted by Cayman Islands law (in the case of the Issuer) or United States and Delaware law (in the case of the Co-Issuer) and unless:

- (a) the Merging Entity shall be the surviving corporation, or the Person (if other than the Merging Entity) formed by the consolidation or into which the Merging Entity is merged or to which all or substantially all of the assets of the Merging Entity are transferred (the *Successor Entity*),
  - (i) if the Merging Entity is the Issuer, is a company organized and existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands or another jurisdiction approved by a Majority of the Controlling Class (except that no approval shall be required in connection with any such transaction undertaken solely to effect a change in the jurisdiction of incorporation pursuant to Section 7.4), and

- (ii) in any case shall expressly assume, by an indenture supplemental to this Indenture, executed and delivered to the Trustee and each Noteholder, the due and punctual payment of all amounts on all Notes issued by the Merging Entity and the performance and observance of every covenant of this Indenture on its part to be performed or observed, all as provided in this Indenture;
- (b) each Rating Agency shall have been notified of the consolidation, merger, transfer, or conveyance and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the transaction;
- (c) if the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall have agreed with the Trustee,
  - (i) to observe the same legal requirements for the recognition of the formed or surviving corporation as a legal entity separate and apart from any of its Affiliates as are applicable to the Merging Entity with respect to its Affiliates,
  - (ii) not to consolidate or merge with or into any other Person or transfer or convey the Collateral or all or substantially all of its assets to any other Person except in accordance with this Section 7.10; and
  - (iii) in any case shall expressly assume by an indenture supplemental to this Indenture, executed and delivered to the Trustee, each Noteholder and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the due and punctual payment of all amounts on all the Notes issued by the Merging Entity and the performance and observance of every covenant of this Indenture on its part to be performed or observed, all as provided in this Indenture;
- (d) if the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall have delivered to the Trustee and each Rating Agency an Officer's certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that it is duly organized, validly existing, and in good standing in the jurisdiction in which it is organized; that it has sufficient power and authority to assume the obligations in subsection (a) above and to execute and deliver an indenture supplemental to this Indenture for the purpose of assuming the obligations in subsection (a) above; that it has duly authorized the execution, delivery, and performance of an indenture supplemental to this Indenture for the purpose of assuming the obligations in subsection (a) above and that the supplemental indenture is its valid and legally binding obligation, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject only to bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium, and other laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally and to general principles of equity; if the Merging Entity is the Issuer, that, following the event that causes the Successor Entity to become the successor to the Issuer, (i) the Successor Entity has title, free of any

- lien, security interest, or charge, other than the lien and security interest of this Indenture, to the Collateral, and (ii) the lien of this Indenture continues to be effective in the Collateral; and in each case as to any other matters the Trustee or any Noteholder reasonably requires;
- (e) after giving effect to the transaction, no Default or Event of Default shall be continuing;
  - (f) the Merging Entity shall have notified each Rating Agency of the consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance and shall have delivered to the Trustee, each Noteholder and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) an Officer's certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that the consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance and the supplemental indenture comply with this Section 7 and that all conditions precedent in this Section 7 relating to the transaction have been complied with and shall have obtained a Tax Opinion of Counsel that no adverse tax consequences will result therefrom to the Holders of the Securities;
  - (g) the Merging Entity shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel stating that after giving effect to the transaction, neither of the Co-Issuers (or, if applicable, the Successor Entity) will be required to register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act; and
  - (h) after giving effect to the transaction, the outstanding stock of the Merging Entity (or, if applicable, the Successor Entity) will not be beneficially owned within the meaning of the Investment Company Act by any U.S. person.

#### **7.11 Successor Substituted**

Upon any consolidation or merger, or transfer or conveyance of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, in accordance with Section 7.10 in which the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall succeed to, and be substituted for, and may exercise every right of, the Merging Entity under this Indenture with the same effect as if the Person had been named as the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, in this Indenture. Upon any such consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance, the Person named as the "Issuer" or the "Co-Issuer" in the first paragraph of this Indenture or any successor may be dissolved, wound up and liquidated at any time thereafter, and the Person thereafter shall be released from its liabilities as obligor and maker on all the Notes and from its obligations under this Indenture.

#### **7.12 No Other Business**

- (a) From and after the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not engage in any business or activity other than (i) acquisition and disposition of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments solely for its own account, (ii) entering into, and performing its obligations under, the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents, any Hedge

Agreements, the Securities Lending Agreements, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Administration Agreement, (iii) the issuance and sale of the Securities and the Issuer Ordinary Shares, (iv) the pledge of the Collateral as security for its obligations in respect of the Notes and any Hedge Agreements, (v) entering into certain pre-closing warehousing arrangements and the agreements relating thereto, (vi) owning all of the membership interests in the Co-Issuer and (vii) undertaking certain other activities incidental to the foregoing. The Co-Issuer shall not engage in any business or activity other than issuing and selling the Notes to be issued by it pursuant to this Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, other activities appropriate to accomplish the foregoing or incidental thereto or connected therewith.

- (b) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer may amend, or permit the amendment of, their Memorandum and Articles or the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws (or, in the case of the Co-Issuer, the certificate of formation and limited liability company agreement) if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the amendment (but not otherwise).

### **7.13 Listing on Irish Stock Exchange**

So long as any Notes remain Outstanding, the Co-Issuers shall use all reasonable efforts to obtain and maintain the listing of the Notes on the regulated market of the ISE; **provided** that the Co-Issuers will not be required to maintain a listing on a stock exchange in the European Union if compliance with requirements of the European Commission on a member state becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer.

### **7.14 Annual Rating Review**

So long as any Notes of any Class remain Outstanding, on or before May in each year commencing in 2008, the Co-Issuers shall obtain and pay for an annual review or ongoing surveillance of the rating of each Outstanding Class of Notes from each Rating Agency, as applicable. The Co-Issuers shall promptly notify the Trustee and the Servicer in writing (and the Trustee shall promptly provide a copy of the notice to the Noteholders) and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) if at any time the rating of any Class of Notes has been, or is known will be, changed or withdrawn.

### **7.15 Reporting**

At any time when the Co-Issuers are not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act and are not exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act, upon the request of a Holder or Beneficial Owner of any Note, the Co-Issuers shall promptly furnish "Rule 144A Information" to the Holder or Beneficial Owner, to a prospective purchaser of a Note designated by the Holder or Beneficial Owner or to the

Trustee for delivery to the Holder or Beneficial Owner or a prospective purchaser designated by the Holder or Beneficial Owner, as the case may be, to permit compliance by the Holder or Beneficial Owner with Rule 144A under the Securities Act in connection with the resale of the Note by the Holder or Beneficial Owner. **Rule 144A Information** is the information specified pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act.

#### **7.16 Calculation Agent**

- (a) The Issuer agrees that for so long as any Floating Rate Notes remain Outstanding an agent will always have been appointed (that does not control and is not controlled by or under common control with the Issuer or its Affiliates) to calculate LIBOR in respect of each Interest Period (the **Calculation Agent**). The Issuer has initially appointed the Trustee as Calculation Agent. The Issuer may remove the Calculation Agent at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Issuer or if the Calculation Agent fails to determine any of the information required to be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange, as described in subsection (b), in respect of any Interest Period, the Issuer or the Servicer (on its behalf) shall promptly appoint a replacement Calculation Agent. For so long as any Floating Rate Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, notice of the appointment of any replacement Calculation Agent shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange as promptly as practicable after the appointment. The Calculation Agent may not resign its duties without a successor having been duly appointed.
- (b) As soon as possible after 11:00 A.M., London time, on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period, but in no event later than 11:00 A.M., London time, on the next Business Day, the Calculation Agent shall calculate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes for the next Interest Period. The Calculation Agent shall communicate those rates and amounts to the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, each Paying Agent, the Servicer, Euroclear, Clearstream, the Depository, and, so long as any of the Floating Rate Notes are listed thereon and the rules of the exchange so require, the Irish Stock Exchange. In the latter case, the information shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange as soon as possible after its determination. The Calculation Agent shall separately notify the Irish Stock Exchange of the information. The Calculation Agent shall also specify to the Co-Issuers the quotations on which the foregoing rates are based, and in any event the Calculation Agent shall notify the Co-Issuers before 7:00 P.M., London time, on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period that either:
  - (i) it has determined or is in the process of determining the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes, or

- (ii) it has not determined and is not in the process of determining any such Note Interest Rate together with its reasons therefor.

The Calculation Agent's determination of the foregoing rates for any Interest Period shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding on all parties and the Holders and Beneficial Owners of the Preference Shares.

## **7.17 Certain Tax Matters**

- (a) The Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee agree, and each registered Holder and Beneficial Owner of Notes, by accepting a Note, agrees to treat such Notes as indebtedness solely of the Issuer and not of the Co-Issuer for accounting, financial reporting and U.S. federal, and, to the extent permitted by law, state and local income tax purposes, to report all income (or loss) in accordance with such treatment and not to take any action inconsistent with such treatment unless otherwise required by any relevant taxing authority.
- (b) The Issuer agrees not to take any action to be treated as other than a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes.
- (c) The Issuer and Co-Issuer shall file, or cause to be filed, any tax returns, including information tax returns, required by any governmental authority.
- (d) The Issuer shall not file, or cause to be filed, any income or franchise tax return in any state of the United States unless the Issuer shall have obtained a Tax Opinion of Counsel prior to such filing that, under the laws of such jurisdiction, the Issuer is required to file such income or franchise tax return.
- (e) The Issuer shall not become the owner of any asset if the acquisition (including the manner thereof), ownership or disposition of such asset (without regard to the other activities of the Issuer) would cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes, except as a result of ownership of Eligible Equity Securities, securities or other consideration received in an exchange or Defaulted Collateral Obligations pending their sale in accordance with Section 12.1.
- (f) The Issuer will treat each purchase of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments as a "purchase" for tax accounting and reporting purposes.
- (g) Each of the Issuers and the Trustee agrees that it does not intend for this Indenture to represent an agreement to enter into a partnership, a joint venture or any other business entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The Issuers and the Trustee shall not represent or otherwise hold themselves out to the United States Internal Revenue Service or other third parties as partners in a partnership or members of a joint venture or other business entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes.



- (h) If the Issuer or Servicer becomes aware that withholding of United States income tax is required with respect to fees associated with the Synthetic Letters of Credit included in the Collateral and such taxes are not being withheld by an agent for the relevant syndicate of lenders, the Issuer shall cause such taxes to be paid.

## 7.18 Securities Lending.

- (a) So long as no Event of Default is continuing and if after the completion of the transaction the limit in clause (30) of the definition of "Concentration Limitations" would be satisfied, the Servicer may cause Collateral Obligations that are not Defaulted Collateral Obligations to be lent for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) having long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or guarantors with ratings of at least "A1" (and not "A1" but on credit watch with negative implications) and "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A" or a short-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A-1" from S&P (each, a ***Securities Lending Counterparty***) pursuant to one or more agreements (each, a ***Securities Lending Agreement***); **provided** that Collateral Obligations the Market Value of which cannot be determined under clause (i), (ii) or (iii) of that definition may not be lent pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement. Upon receipt of an Issuer Order, the Trustee shall release any lent Collateral Obligations to a Securities Lending Counterparty as directed by the Servicer. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Initial Purchasers or Affiliates of the Servicer. The duration of any Securities Lending Agreement shall not exceed the Stated Maturity of the Notes.
- (b) Each Securities Lending Agreement shall be on market terms as determined by the Servicer (except as may be required below) and shall:
  - (i) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty return to the Issuer debt obligations that are identical (in terms of issue and class) to the lent Collateral Obligations;
  - (ii) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty pay to the Issuer amounts equivalent to all interest and other payments that the owner of the lent Collateral Obligation is entitled to for the period during which the Collateral Obligation is lent and require that any such payments not be subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the Securities Lending Counterparty is required under the Securities Lending Agreement to make "gross-up" payments to the Issuer that cover the full amount of the withholding tax on an after-tax basis;
  - (iii) require that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency shall be satisfied with respect to the execution of the Securities Lending Agreement;

- (iv) satisfy any other requirements of Section 1058 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated under it;
- (v) be governed by the laws of New York;
- (vi) permit the Issuer to assign its rights under the Securities Lending Agreement to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture;
- (vii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Collateral Obligation becomes a Credit Risk Obligation or is subject to redemption in accordance with its terms;
- (viii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty upon any redemption of the Notes in whole;
- (ix) require the Securities Lending Counterparty to post with the Trustee collateral consisting of cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the Securities Lending Agreement (the "*Securities Lending Collateral*") to secure its obligation to return the Collateral Obligations or in the alternative post the Securities Lending Collateral with a custodian for the benefit of the Issuer designated by the Securities Lending Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that custodian would qualify to be a successor trustee under Section 6.9;
- (x) provide that the Securities Lending Collateral shall be maintained as provided in the related Securities Lending Agreement and if securities are delivered to the Trustee as security for the obligations of the Securities Lending Counterparty under the related Securities Lending Agreement, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will negotiate with the Securities Lending Counterparty a rate for the loan fee to be paid to the Issuer for lending the lent Collateral Obligations;
- (xi) the lent Collateral Obligations shall be marked-to-market on a daily basis by the Servicer on the basis of their Market Value;
- (xii) the Collateral will include the Issuer's rights under the related Securities Lending Agreement rather than the loaned Collateral Obligation;
- (xiii) provide for early termination within ten days at the option of the Issuer and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Securities Lending Counterparty is no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending



Counterparty and the noncompliance is not cured as provided in this Indenture; and

- (xiv) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Securities Lending Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those in this Indenture.
- (c) If either Moody's or S&P downgrades a Securities Lending Counterparty such that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party are no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty, then the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall take such steps as provided in the related Securities Lending Agreements.
- (d) In connection with any such direction by the Servicer to enter into a Securities Lending Agreement, the Trustee may receive and rely on an Issuer Order to the effect that the Securities Lending Agreement, and its Securities Lending Counterparty, is each in compliance with the requirements of this Indenture (including the definition of "Securities Lending Counterparty"). The Issuer and the Trustee may enter into any Securities Lending Agreement (and any related account control agreement) at the instruction of the Servicer, and deliver and accept delivery and return of any Collateral Obligations pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement, or pursuant to instructions from the Servicer in connection with the Securities Lending Agreement. The Trustee may take any actions and exercise any rights and remedies under any Securities Lending Agreement that the Servicer instructs. The Trustee need not enter into any Securities Lending Agreement (or any related account control agreement) that would in its judgment, subject it to any liability, whether financial or otherwise, or cause it to incur or subject it to risk of any cost or disbursement for which it is not, in its judgment, adequately indemnified, or that would impose on it any obligations or administrative burdens that are unacceptable to it. The Servicer shall instruct the Trustee in writing with respect to the administration of any Securities Lending Agreement (including with respect to any default and the exercise of rights under it). The Trustee shall not have any responsibility for evaluating the sufficiency, validity or acceptability of any Securities Lending Agreement or for the qualifications or eligibility of any Securities Lending Counterparty. Nothing in this Indenture shall be construed to cause the Trustee to have any fiduciary duties to any Securities Lending Counterparty.

So long as any Collateral Obligation is on loan pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement,

- (e) the Trustee shall have no liability for any failure or inability on its part to receive any information or take any action with respect to the Collateral Obligation because of its being on loan (including any failure to take action with respect to a

notice of redemption, consent solicitation, exchange or tender offer, or similar corporate action), and

- (f) the loaned Collateral Obligations shall not be disqualified for return to the Trustee as a Collateral Obligation by any change in circumstance or status during the time while on loan (including any change that would cause the Collateral Obligation to be ineligible for purchase by the Issuer under this Indenture if applied to a proposed purchase of it in the open market at the time of its return from loan).

#### **7.19 Purchase of Collateral Obligations; Ramp-Up Completion Date**

- (a) The Issuer shall use its best efforts to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period or enter into commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period for purchase on or as soon as practicable thereafter (not to exceed 60 days thereafter), in each case, for inclusion in the Collateral so that each of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes is at least U.S.\$687,400,000.
- (b) No Collateral Obligations may be purchased prior to the Ramp-Up Completion Date unless immediately following the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (as certified by the Servicer in writing), the remaining funds in the Collection Account, after giving effect to such purchase, are sufficient as of the date of determination to purchase Collateral Obligations for inclusion in the Collateral so that each of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes is at least U.S.\$687,400,000 (taking into account the Collateral Obligations already part of the Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date)).
- (c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, or any other provision of this Indenture, if the Issuer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase a Collateral Obligation to be included in the Collateral, such commitment initially not to exceed 60 days, and at the time of the commitment the Collateral Obligation complied with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set forth in this Section 7.19, the Issuer may consummate the purchase of the Collateral Obligation notwithstanding that the Collateral Obligation fails to comply with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set out above on the date of settlement.
- (d) The Issuer will use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase, or to enter into binding agreements to purchase, Collateral Obligations by the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that, together with the Collateral Obligations purchased on or

before the Closing Date and then held by the Issuer, will satisfy, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date), the Collateral Quality Tests, the Concentration Limitations, the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 of this Indenture and the Overcollateralization Tests.

- (e) No later than five Business Days after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer shall notify each of the Rating Agencies in writing of the occurrence of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (each, a "**Ramp-Up Notice**") and request in writing that each of S&P and Moody's confirm in writing prior to the Determination Date related to the first Payment Date that it has not reduced or withdrawn the Initial Ratings; **provided**, that the Issuer shall not be required to request a Rating Confirmation from Moody's if, by the Determination Date related to the first Payment Date Moody's has received an Accountants' Certificate confirming (i) the Issuer is in compliance with each of the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests and the Concentration Limitations and (ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owns or has committed to purchase is at least equal to U.S.\$687,400,000. In connection with such request or, in the case of Moody's, in lieu of such request, the Issuer shall provide a report to the Rating Agencies identifying the Collateral Obligations then included in the Collateral and the Issuer shall obtain and deliver to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies, together with the delivery of a report (and, with respect to S&P, an Excel Default Model Input File and, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, the name of the obligor thereon and the CUSIP number thereof (if applicable)) substantially in the form of a Monthly Report as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, an Accountants' Certificate confirming:
  - (i) confirming the maturity date, rating, spread and recovery rate for each item of Original Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date and the information provided by the Issuer with respect to every other asset included in the Collateral, by reference to such sources as shall be specified therein;
  - (ii) confirming that as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date:
    - (1) each of the Coverage Tests are satisfied;
    - (2) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owned or committed to purchase as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date is at least equal to the Maximum Amount; and

- (3) the Collateral Obligations comply with all of the requirements of the Collateral Quality Tests and the Concentration Limitations; and
- (iii) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing statements.
- (f) Any failure by the Issuer to obtain a Rating Confirmation pursuant to Section 7.19(e) above shall be a Rating Confirmation Failure (a "***Rating Confirmation Failure***") and will thereafter be deemed to be continuing until the first date thereafter on which the Trustee shall have received evidence of confirmation of the Initial Ratings, on which date it shall be deemed to have been cured. If a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, the Notes will be redeemed pursuant to, and to the extent provided in, Section 9.1(a).
- (g) On the date occurring 45 days after the Closing Date (the ***Interim Ramp-Up Test Date***), the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall submit to Moody's a statement showing compliance with the Interim Ramp-Up Test specified in the Interim Ramp-Up Test table below. Should the results of any such Interim Ramp-Up Test fail to comply with the levels established for such Interim Ramp-Up Test Date by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, and that are acceptable to Moody's, the Issuer shall discuss a plan with Moody's for achieving compliance with such tests by the Ramp-Up Completion Date at the levels required on the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

#### **Interim Ramp-Up Test**

<b>Minimum Moody's Weighted Average Recovery Rate</b>	<b>Minimum Diversity Score</b>	<b>Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor</b>	<b>Minimum Weighted Average Spread</b>	<b>Minimum Aggregate Principal Balance</b>
46%	60	2550	250	U.S.\$666,800,000

#### **7.20 Secondary Risk Procedures**

The Servicer shall notify S&P and request that S&P modify the S&P CDO Monitor accordingly if on any date (as disclosed in the most recent Monthly Report):

- (a) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Collateral Obligations participated from or entered into with the same Secondary Risk Counterparty exceeds the percentage of the Maximum Amount in the Secondary Risk Table opposite the long-term

S&P credit rating of the Secondary Risk Counterparty under the caption "Individual Counterparty Limit," or

- (b) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Collateral Obligations participated from or entered into with Secondary Risk Counterparties with the same long-term credit rating exceeds the percentage of the Maximum Amount in the Secondary Risk Table opposite that rating under the caption "Aggregate Counterparty Limit" (excluding up to 5.0% by Aggregate Principal Amount of Synthetic Securities with respect to Collateral Obligations the Aggregate Counterparty Limit of which is 20.0% to the extent that (x) such exposure is fully collateralized with respect to principal and (y) the related Synthetic Security Counterparties are rated at least "A-1+" by S&P).

## 7.21 Section 3(c)(7) Procedures

In addition to the notices required to be given under Section 10.6 hereof, the Issuer shall take the following actions to ensure compliance with the requirements of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act (**provided** that such procedures and disclosures may be revised by the Issuer to be consistent with generally accepted practice for compliance with the requirements of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act):

- (a) **Section 3(c)(7) Notice to Investors.** The Issuer shall (i) request the Depository to cause, and cooperate with the Depository in causing, the Depository's security description and delivery order to include a "3(c)(7) marker" and the Depository's user manual to contain an accurate description of the restrictions on the holding and transfer of the Notes due to the Issuer's reliance on the exclusion to registration provided by Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act, (ii) request that the Depository send, and cooperate with the Depository in causing the Depository to send, to its Agent Members (x) the Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice substantially in the form of Exhibit G-2 in connection with the initial offering of the Notes and (y) the Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice substantially in the form of Exhibit G-1 as set forth in Section 10.6(b) and (iii) request that the Depository cause, and cooperate with the Depository in causing, the Depository's Reference Directory to include each Class of Notes (and the applicable CUSIP numbers for the Notes) in the listing of 3(c)(7) issues together with an attached description of the limitations as to the distribution, purchase, sale and holding of the Notes.
- (b) **CUSIP Numbers.** The Issuer shall (a) request of S&P, and shall cooperate with S&P to ensure that all CUSIP numbers identifying the Notes shall have a "fixed field" attached thereto that contains "3c7" and "144A" indicators and (b) take steps to cause the Initial Purchasers and any market makers to require that all "confirms" of trades of the Notes contain CUSIP numbers with such "fixed field" identifiers.

- (c) **Bloomberg and other Third-Party Vendor Screens.** The Issuer shall use all reasonable efforts to cause the Bloomberg screen or screens containing information about the Notes to include the following language: (a) the "Note Box" on the bottom of the "Security Display" page describing the Notes shall state: "Iss'd Under 144A/3(c)(7)," (b) the "Security Display" page shall have the flashing red indicator "See Other Available Information" and (c) the indicator shall link to the "Additional Security Information" page, which shall state that the securities are "being offered in reliance on the exemption from registration under Rule 144A of the Securities Act, to persons who are both (x) qualified institutional buyers (as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act) and (y) qualified purchasers (as defined under Section 3(c)(7) under the Investment Company Act)." The Issuer shall use all reasonable efforts to require that any other third-party vendor screens containing information about the Notes include substantially similar language to clauses (a) through (c) above.

## **8. SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURES**

### **8.1 Supplemental Indentures Without Consent of Holders**

- (a) Without the consent of the Holders of any Securities (other than with respect to the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class specified in clause (15) below), any Hedge Counterparty (except to the extent such consent is required under the applicable Hedge Agreement) or any Synthetic Security Counterparty (except to the extent such consent is required under the applicable Synthetic Security Agreement), when authorized by Board Resolutions, and subject to the requirement provided below in this Section 8.1 with respect to the ratings of any Class of Notes, the Co-Issuers and the Trustee may, if, with respect to any matters described in clauses (1) through (23) below, the interests of the Holders of the Securities (except, in the case of clause (12) below, any Holders of Notes subject to the applicable Refinancing) are not materially and adversely affected thereby (the Co-Issuers and the Trustee will be bound by a standard of good faith and fair dealing in making such determination, subject to the terms of this Indenture) execute one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, to:
- (1) evidence the succession of another Person to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and the assumption by the successor Person of the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture and in the Securities;
  - (2) add to the covenants of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders or to surrender any right in this Indenture conferred on the Co-Issuers;
  - (3) convey, transfer, assign, mortgage or pledge any property to the Trustee, or add to the conditions, limitations, or restrictions on the authorized



amount, terms, and purposes of the issue, authentication and delivery of the Notes;

- (4) evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment under this Indenture by a successor Trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of this Indenture necessary to facilitate the administration of the trusts under this Indenture by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of Sections 6.10, 6.11, and 6.13;
- (5) correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of this Indenture, or to better assure, convey, and confirm to the Trustee any property subject or required to be subject to the lien of this Indenture (including all actions appropriate as a result of changes in law) or to subject to the lien of this Indenture any additional property;
- (6) cause any provision of this Indenture to conform to, or be consistent with, the statements made with respect to such provision in the Offering Memorandum;
- (7) modify the restrictions on and procedures for resales and other transfers of the Notes to reflect any changes in applicable law (or its interpretation) or to enable the Co-Issuers to rely on any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities Act (including, without limitation, to add provisions for resales and transfers of the Preference Shares under Regulation S) or the Investment Company Act or to remove restrictions on resale and transfer to the extent not required under this Indenture;
- (8) with the consent of the Servicer, modify (A) the restrictions on the sales of Collateral Obligations in Section 12.1 or (B) with the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld), the Eligibility Criteria in Section 12.2 (and the definitions related thereto); **provided** that, for the avoidance of doubt, the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall not be required if such amendment also satisfies the requirements of clause (24) below;
- (9) make appropriate changes for any Class of Notes to be listed on an exchange other than the Irish Stock Exchange;
- (10) otherwise to correct any inconsistency or cure any ambiguity or errors in this Indenture;
- (11) accommodate the issuance of the Notes in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC or otherwise;
- (12) to accommodate a Refinancing effected pursuant to and in compliance with Section 9.7; provided that no Holders of Notes or Preference Shares

are materially adversely affected thereby, other than Holders of Notes subject to such Refinancing;

- (13) to avoid the imposition of tax on the net income of the Issuer or of withholding tax on any payment to the Issuer;
- (14) authorize the appointment of any listing agent, Transfer Agent, Paying Agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes appropriate in connection with the listing of any Class of Notes on the Irish Stock Exchange or any other stock exchange, and otherwise to amend this Indenture to incorporate any changes required or requested by any governmental authority, stock exchange authority, listing agent, Transfer Agent, Paying Agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes in connection with its appointment, so long as the supplemental indenture would not materially and adversely affect any Noteholder, as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Notes;
- (15) with the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class, amend, modify, enter into or accommodate the execution of any contract relating to a Synthetic Security (including posting collateral under a Synthetic Security Agreement) if such particular action is not otherwise permitted under the Indenture;
- (16) modify Section 3.3 to be consistent with applicable laws or Rating Agency requirements;
- (17) evidence any waiver by any Rating Agency as to any requirement or condition, as applicable, of the Rating Agency set forth in this Indenture;
- (18) facilitate the issuance of participation notes, combination notes, composite securities and other similar securities;
- (19) facilitate hedging transactions;
- (20) facilitate the ability of the Issuer to lend collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement;
- (21) modify any provision to facilitate an A/B Exchange, including to effect any serial designation relating to the exchange;



- (22) with the consent of the Servicer, enter into any additional agreements not expressly prohibited by this Indenture as well as any amendment, modification, or waiver if the Issuer determines that the amendment, modification, or waiver would not, upon or after becoming effective, materially and adversely affect the rights or interest of the Holders of any Class of Securities as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Servicer to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities; provided that, for the avoidance of doubt, this clause (22) shall not permit the Co-Issuers and the Trustee to effect any amendment that expressly requires the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class without such consent;
- (23) provide for the issuance of additional Preference Shares to the extent permitted by the Preference Share Documents and to extend to such additional Preference Shares the benefits applicable to the Preference Shares under the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents; or
- (24) prevent the Issuer from becoming an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7);

**provided** that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer shall have received (A) a Rating Confirmation with respect to such supplemental indenture and (B) a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such supplemental indenture, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

- (b) Without the consent of the Servicer, no supplemental indenture may be entered into that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to the Servicer under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer.
- (c) The Trustee is authorized to join in the execution of any such supplemental indenture and to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations that may be in the agreements, but the Trustee shall not be obligated to enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties, liabilities or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise, except to the extent required by law. Unless notified by a Majority of any Class of Notes or a Majority of the

Preference Shares that Holders of the Class of the Notes or Holders of the Preference Shares would be materially and adversely affected, the Trustee may rely on a certificate of the Servicer and an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) as to whether the interests of any Holder of Securities would be materially and adversely affected by any such supplemental indenture.

- (d) If any Outstanding Notes are rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee shall enter into a supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.1 only if either (1) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the supplemental indenture or (2) the Servicer and the Holders of 100% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes the ratings on which would be reduced or withdrawn consent to the supplemental indenture. Prior to the entry into any supplemental Indenture with respect to which a Rating Confirmation for one or more Classes of Notes is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Note informing them of such fact.
- (e) At the cost of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee shall mail to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), each Rating Agency (for so long as any Notes are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency) and each Hedge Counterparty a copy of any such proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee (or 60 calendar days before execution in the case of a supplemental indenture for the purpose described in paragraph (8) of Section 8.1(a), which shall be identified as such in a certificate of the Servicer delivered to the Trustee before the date on which such notice is required to be given).

## **8.2 Supplemental Indentures With Consent of Holders**

- (a) If the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency, the Trustee and the Co-Issuers may execute one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture to add any provisions to, or change in any manner, or eliminate any of the provisions of, this Indenture or modify in any manner the rights of the Noteholders under this Indenture with the consent of:
  - (1) the Servicer if the supplemental indenture would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer;
  - (2) a Majority of each Class of Notes adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of each such Class of Notes;
  - (3) a Majority of the Preference Shares adversely affected thereby;

- (4) each Hedge Counterparty (if such consent is required pursuant to the applicable Hedge Agreement); and
- (5) each Synthetic Security Counterparty (if such consent is required pursuant to the applicable Synthetic Security Agreement).

Any proposed supplemental indenture that would also necessitate a change to the Issuer Charter may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Issuer Charter) has been passed to permit the Issuer's constitutional documents to be altered to conform them to the proposed change to this Indenture as certified to the Trustee by the Issuer.

Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected thereby and the Holder of each Preference Share adversely affected thereby, no supplemental indenture shall:

- (i) change the Stated Maturity of the principal of or the due date of any installment of interest on any Note or of any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares (other than in the case of any Maturity Extension in connection with an extension of the Replacement Period as described in Section 2.4), reduce the principal amount or the rate of interest on any Note, or the Default Interest Rate or the Redemption Price with respect to any Note or Preference Share, or change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Share may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer, change the provisions of this Indenture relating to the application of proceeds of any Collateral to the payment of principal of or interest on Notes, or to payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, or change any place where, or the coin or currency in which, Notes or their principal or interest are paid or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after their Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the applicable Redemption Date);
- (ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class or Holders of Preference Shares whose consent is required for the authorization of any such supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of this Indenture or certain defaults under this Indenture or their consequences provided for in this Indenture;
- (iii) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on a parity with the lien of this Indenture with respect to any part of the Collateral or terminate the lien on any property at any time subject hereto or deprive the Holder of any Note of the security afforded by the lien of this Indenture;

- (iv) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class whose consent is required to request the Trustee to retain the Collateral or rescind the Trustee's election to retain the Collateral, pursuant to Section 5.5 or to sell or liquidate the Collateral, pursuant to Section 5.4 or 5.5;
  - (v) modify any of the provisions of this Section, or to provide that certain other provisions of this Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note and Preference Share affected thereby;
  - (vi) modify the definition of "Outstanding," "Controlling Class," or "Majority," or the Priority of Payments in Section 11.1(a) or Section 13.1; or
  - (vii) modify any of the provisions of this Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of Redemption Price or of interest or principal on any Note or any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the payment of dividends or other payments on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date or to affect the rights of the Holders of the Securities to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of the Notes or the Preference Shares contained in this Indenture.
- (b) Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.2, the Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), each Hedge Counterparty, each Synthetic Security Counterparty (to the extent required by the terms of the related Synthetic Security) and each Rating Agency (for so long as any Notes are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency) a copy of such proposed supplemental indenture and shall request any required consent from the applicable Holders of Securities to be given within the Initial Consent Period. Any consent given to a proposed supplemental indenture by the Holder of any Securities, as applicable, shall be irrevocable and binding on all future Holders or beneficial owners of that Security, irrespective of the execution date of the supplemental indenture. If the Holders of less than the required percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the relevant Securities consent to a proposed supplemental indenture within the Initial Consent Period, on the first Business Day after the Initial Consent Period, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Servicer which Holders of Securities have consented to the proposed supplemental indenture and, which Holders (and, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the Trustee, which beneficial owners) have not consented to the proposed supplemental indenture. If it intends to exercise its Amendment Buy-Out Option pursuant to Section 9.6, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall so notify the Trustee and S&P (which notice shall designate a date for the

- Amendment Buy-Out to occur no earlier than 10 Business Days after the date of such notice) no later than five Business Days after the Servicer is so notified by the Trustee and the Trustee shall promptly mail such notice to all Noteholders and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares). Any Non-Consenting Holder may give consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture until the 5th Business Day prior to the date of the Amendment Buy-Out designated by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and in such case shall cease to be a Non-Consenting Holder for purposes of the Amendment Buy-Out. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser exercises its Amendment Buy-Out Option and purchases the applicable Securities pursuant to Section 9.6 below, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, as Holder or beneficial owner of the applicable Securities, may consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture within five Business Days of the Amendment Buy-Out.
- (c) It shall not be necessary for any Act of Noteholders under this Section 8.2 to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if the Act or consent approves its substance.
  - (d) The Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), each Hedge Counterparty, each Synthetic Security Counterparty and each Rating Agency a copy of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.2 promptly after its execution by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee. Any failure of the Trustee to mail a copy of any supplemental indenture as provided in this Indenture, or any defect in the mailing, shall not in any way affect the validity of the supplemental indenture.

### **8.3 Execution of Supplemental Indentures**

In executing or accepting the additional trusts created by any supplemental indenture permitted by this Section 8 or the modifications thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture, the Trustee may receive, and (subject to Sections 6.1 and 6.3) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an Opinion of Counsel stating that the execution of the supplemental indenture is authorized or permitted by this Indenture and that all conditions precedent to the execution of such supplemental indenture have been satisfied. In the event that any supplemental indenture is consented to by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes and the Rating Condition is satisfied or is specifically waived by all consenting parties, all conditions precedent to the execution of such supplemental indenture shall be deemed satisfied, the execution of such supplemental indenture shall be authorized or permitted by this Indenture, and the Trustee shall execute and accept the additional trusts created by such supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8 or modification thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture without obtaining an Opinion of Counsel; **provided** that the Trustee may, but shall not be obligated to, enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise. The Servicer shall not be bound by any amendment or supplement to this

Indenture that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer unless the Servicer consents to it in writing, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed. The Servicer shall follow any amendment or supplement to this Indenture by which it is bound of which it has received written notice from the time it receives a copy of the amendment from the Issuer or the Trustee.

#### **8.4 Effect of Supplemental Indentures; Certain Required Consents**

Upon the execution of any supplemental indenture under this Section 8, this Indenture shall be modified in accordance therewith, and the supplemental indenture shall form a part of this Indenture for all purposes; and every Holder of Notes theretofore and thereafter authenticated and delivered under this Indenture shall be bound thereby.

Any supplemental indenture that would necessitate a change to the Issuer Charter may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Issuer Charter) has been passed to permit the Issuer Charter to be altered to conform with such proposed amendment.

#### **8.5 Reference in Notes to Supplemental Indentures**

Notes authenticated and delivered after the execution of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8 may, and if required by the Trustee shall, bear a notice in form approved by the Trustee as to any matter provided for in the supplemental indenture. If the Applicable Issuers shall so determine, new Notes, so modified as to conform in the opinion of the Trustee and the Co-Issuers to any such supplemental indenture, may be prepared and executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated and delivered by the Trustee in exchange for Outstanding Notes.

### **9. REDEMPTION OF NOTES**

#### **9.1 Mandatory Redemption**

- (a) If either (a) a Coverage Test is not met on any Determination Date or (b) a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, principal payments on the Notes shall be made on the related Payment Date (without payment of any Redemption Price) in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Upon receipt of notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes, at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes, then at the direction and in accordance with the instructions of the Servicer the Trustee shall sell Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for the purpose in the Collection Account will be used to redeem the Notes and the Preference Shares (but only to the extent necessary for each of



Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes) and to pay all administrative and other fees, expenses and obligations payable under the Priority of Payments. Any sale under this Section shall be conducted in such a manner that:

- (i) after giving effect to the sale each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied or, if any Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Overcollateralization Test is not reduced,
  - (ii) if the sale occurs on or after the second Payment Date, after giving effect to the sale each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied or, if any Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Interest Coverage Test is not reduced, and
  - (iii) after giving effect to the sale each Collateral Quality Test is satisfied or, if any Collateral Quality Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Collateral Quality Test is not reduced.
- (b) The Preference Shares will be redeemed in whole in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents on any Payment Date on which a mandatory redemption of the Notes pursuant to Section 9.1(a) results in the payment in full of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes.

## **9.2 Optional Redemption**

- (a) Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the Notes shall be redeemed by the Applicable Issuers, in whole but not in part, on any Payment Date from Principal Proceeds and all other funds available for that purpose in the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Synthetic Security Reserve Account, the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account at the direction of the applicable Required Redemption Percentage, which direction must be given to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Servicer not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made, at the applicable Redemption Price (exclusive of installments of interest and principal maturing on or before that date, payment of which shall have been made or duly provided for, to the Noteholders on relevant Record Dates or as otherwise provided in this Indenture). All Notes must be simultaneously redeemed, and any termination payments pursuant to Hedge Agreements must be paid.

In the event that the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee and the Issuer receive notice directing an optional redemption from any one or more Holders of Preference Shares holding less than a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, within five Business Days of receipt of such notice, notify the Holders of the Preference Shares (i) of the receipt of such

notice and (ii) that any Holder of Preference Shares may join in directing an optional redemption by notifying the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing within five Business Days after such Holder's receipt of the Preference Shares Paying Agent's Notice.

Upon receipt of a notice of redemption pursuant to the first paragraph of this Section 9.2(a), the Servicer in its sole discretion will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Servicing Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer, direct the sale of the Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for such purpose in the Collection Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Synthetic Security Reserve Account, the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account will be at least sufficient to redeem all of the Notes and to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations. If, in the Servicer's reasonable discretion, the sale would not be sufficient to redeem the Notes, and to pay the fees, expenses and obligations, the Notes shall not be redeemed.

Upon any redemption pursuant to this Section 9.2(a), the Issuer shall, at least 30 days before the Redemption Date (unless the Trustee shall agree to a shorter notice period), notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency of the Redemption Date, the applicable Record Date, the principal amount of Notes to be redeemed on the Redemption Date and the applicable Redemption Prices.

- (b) On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, all administrative and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture and all amounts owing under this Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged,
  - (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings or
  - (ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, voting as a single Class or group, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for



distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such direction.

Upon a distribution pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(i), the Servicer will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Servicing Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer (and subject to Section 9.2(b)(ii)), direct the sale of all remaining Collateral Obligations. Upon a distribution pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii), the Servicer will effect the sale of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares.

### **9.3 Optional Redemption Procedures**

- (a) Upon any redemption pursuant to Section 9.2, the Trustee shall give notice of a redemption by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days and not earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of DTC, Euroclear, and Clearstream, as applicable, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and (in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a)) to each Rating Agency. In addition, for so long as any Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of redemption of Notes pursuant to Section 9.2 shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.
- (b) All notices of redemption delivered pursuant to Section 9.3(a) shall state:
  - (i) the applicable Redemption Date;
  - (ii) the Redemption Price of the Notes to be redeemed (in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a));
  - (iii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), that all of the Notes, are to be redeemed in full and that interest on the Notes to be redeemed shall cease to accrue on the Payment Date specified in the notice; and
  - (iv) the places where the Notes to be redeemed in whole are to be surrendered for payment of the Redemption Price, which shall be the office or agency of the Co-Issuers to be maintained in the Borough of Manhattan as provided in Section 7.2 and the Corporate Trust Office or other office designated by the Trustee for surrender).

Any such notice of redemption may be withdrawn by the Issuer up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Trustee and the Servicer only if:

- (A) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), the Servicer does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications (described in Section 9.3(c) and 12.1(f)), as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee,
- (B) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i), the Issuer receives the written direction of the Majority of the Preference Shares (or, in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes resulting from a Tax Event, the Affected Class) to withdraw the notice of redemption delivered by a percentage of the Preference Shares (or, in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes resulting from a Tax Event, the Affected Class) requesting redemption under Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i), as applicable, or
- (C) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii), the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer hereby agrees for the benefit of the directing Holders to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (B) or this clause (C)).

Notice of any withdrawal shall be sent, not later than the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date (assuming that the Trustee has received timely written notice from the Issuer as provided above), by the Trustee, to each Noteholder scheduled to be redeemed at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery (or, to the extent the address contained in the Indenture Register is not sufficient for that purpose, by first class mail) and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares). If the Issuer so withdraws any notice of redemption or is otherwise unable to complete any redemption of the Notes, the Sale Proceeds received from the sale of any Collateral Obligations sold pursuant to Sections 9.2 and 12.1(f) may, during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period) at the Servicer's discretion, be used to purchase replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria.

Notice of redemption shall be given by the Co-Issuers or, upon an Issuer Order, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Co-Issuers. Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Notes selected for redemption or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Securities.

- (c) The Notes may not be redeemed pursuant to Section 9.2(a) unless either of the following conditions is satisfied:
- (i) At least 10 Business Days before the Redemption Date, the Servicer shall have furnished to the Trustee evidence (in form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee) that the Issuer has entered into a binding agreement (with (x) a financial or other institution or entity whose short-term unsecured debt obligations (other than obligations whose rating is based on the credit of a Person other than the institution) have a credit rating of at least "A-1" from S&P and of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's, (y) any other entity that has the benefit of a credit facility, a warehouse agreement, a liquidity facility or a similar arrangement with a financial or other institution or entity that satisfies the criteria in sub-clause (x) above and such financial or other institution or entity irrevocably agrees to fund the purchase of all or part of the Collateral as set forth herein or (z) any other institution or entity if the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's is satisfied with respect to the other entity) to sell to the financial or other institutions, not later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date in immediately available funds, all or part of the Collateral (directly or by participation or other arrangement) at a Purchase Price at least equal to an amount sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties, and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices; or
  - (ii) Before entering into any binding agreement to sell all or a portion of the Collateral and selling or terminating any Hedge Agreement, the Servicer shall have certified that, in its commercially reasonable judgment, the settlement dates of the sales will be scheduled to occur on or before the Business Day before the Redemption Date and that the expected proceeds from the sales are to be delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date, in immediately available funds, in an amount (calculated as applicable in the manner provided below) sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing

under this Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties, and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices. For purposes of this paragraph, the amount shall be calculated with respect to the classes of Collateral listed in the table below by multiplying the expected proceeds of sale of the Collateral by the indicated percentage in the table below. For the avoidance of doubt, no Hedge Agreement shall be sold or terminated unless the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date has passed and no notice of withdrawal has been issued.

		<u>Number of Business Days Between Certification to the Trustee and Sale</u>			
		<u>Same Day</u>	<u>1 to 2</u>	<u>3 to 5</u>	<u>6 to 15</u>
1	Cash or other Eligible Investments	100%	100%	100%	100%
2	Loans (other than 5 below)	100%	93%	92%	88%
3	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations (in each case, other than 4 below)	100%	89%	85%	75%
4	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations, in each case with a Moody's Rating of "B3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "B3"	100%	75%	65%	55%
5	Synthetic Securities	100%	65%	55%	35%

Any certification delivered pursuant to this Section 9.3(c) shall include (A) the prices of, and expected proceeds from, the sale of any Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, or Hedge Agreements and (B) all calculations required by this Section 9.3(c).

#### **9.4 Notes Payable on Redemption Date**

- (a) Notice of redemption pursuant to Section 9.3 having been given as aforesaid, the Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at the Redemption Price therein specified and from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Redemption Price and accrued interest) the Notes shall cease to bear interest on the Redemption Date. Upon final payment on a Note to be so redeemed, the Holder shall present and

surrender the Note at the place specified in the notice of redemption on or before the Redemption Date unless the Co-Issuers and the Trustee receive the security or indemnity required by them to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the Note, and in the absence of notice to the Co-Issuers and the Trustee, that the applicable Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender. Payments of interest on Notes so to be redeemed whose Stated Maturity is on or before the Redemption Date shall be payable to the Noteholders, or one or more predecessor Notes, registered as such at the close of business on the relevant Record Date if the Record Date is a Business Day (or, if the Record Date is not a Business Day, the close of business on the Business Day before the Record Date) according to Section 2.8(e).

- (b) If any Note called for redemption is not paid on its surrender for redemption, its principal shall bear interest from the Redemption Date at the Applicable Note Interest Rate for each successive Interest Period the Note remains Outstanding if the reason for the non-payment is not the fault of the Holder of the Note.

## 9.5 Special Redemption

Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in whole or in part, at par, in accordance with the Priority of Payments if, at any time during the Replacement Period, the Servicer elects (subject to the Servicing Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional or replacement Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the application of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations (a "***Special Redemption***").

On the first Payment Date following the Due Period for which the notice is effective (a "***Special Redemption Date***"), the funds in the Collection Account or the Payment Account representing Principal Proceeds that, by operation of the preceding paragraph, are not used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (the "***Special Redemption Amount***") will be available to be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments under Section 11.1(a)(ii). Notice of payments pursuant to this Section 9.5 shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than three Business Days before the applicable Special Redemption Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of DTC. In addition, for so long as any Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of redemption of Notes pursuant to Section 9.2 shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

## 9.6 Amendment Buy-Out

- (a) In the case of any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Securities held by such Holders whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture (the "***Amendment Buy-Out Option***") for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; **provided**, that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser may not exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option during the Non-Call Period in connection with a proposed amendment to reduce the rate of interest on any Note or to change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Shares may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all such Securities of Non-Consenting Holders for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an "***Amendment Buy-Out***"). By its acceptance of its Securities hereunder, each Holder of Securities agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its applicable Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser; **provided** that if any Non-Consenting Holder holds Class II Preference Shares, such Non-Consenting Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares. Neither the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser nor any other Person shall have any liability to any Holder or beneficial owner of Securities as a result of an election by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser not to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option.
- (b) All purchases made pursuant to an Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Securities set forth herein and in the Preference Share Documents, and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

## 9.7 Redemption by Refinancing

- (a) On any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period, any Class of the Notes may be redeemed in whole, but not in part from Refinancing Proceeds if the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, proposes to the Holders of the Preference Shares in writing (by notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares)) with a copy to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies, at least 30 days prior to the Payment Date for such redemption (such date, the "***Refinancing Date***"), to redeem such Notes in accordance with this Section 9.7 (a "***Notice of Refinancing***"), which notice shall, among other things, specify the Refinancing Date and the Class of Notes to be Refinanced. Such redemption shall



be effected by the Issuer obtaining a loan or an issuance of a replacement class of notes ("**Refinancing Notes**"), the terms of which loan or issuance will be negotiated by the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, from one or more financial institutions or purchasers (which may include the Servicer or its Affiliates) selected by the Servicer (a refinancing provided pursuant to such loan or issuance, a "**Refinancing**"), and provided that (i) such proposal is approved by a Majority of the Preference Shares (voting as a single class) at least 15 days prior to the Refinancing Date and (ii) the Servicer completes such Refinancing and causes the Refinancing Proceeds to be deposited with the Trustee (in immediately available funds) no later than the close of the Business Day immediately preceding the Refinancing Date.

- (b) The Issuer shall obtain a Refinancing only if the Servicer determines and certifies to the Trustee that:
- (i) a Rating Confirmation has been obtained from each Rating Agency for each class of Refinancing Notes and each Class of Notes not subject to Refinancing;
  - (ii) the proceeds from the Refinancing will be at least sufficient to pay the Refinancing Price plus any Administrative Expenses of the Issuer related to the Refinancing;
  - (iii) the interest rate payable in respect of the obligations providing the Refinancing is less than the interest rate payable on the Notes being refinanced;
  - (iv) the principal amount of any obligations providing the Refinancing is no greater than the principal amount of the Notes being redeemed with the proceeds of such obligations;
  - (v) the stated maturity of the obligations providing the Refinancing is no earlier than the stated maturity of the Notes being refinanced;
  - (vi) the Refinancing Proceeds will be used (to the extent necessary) to redeem the applicable Notes;
  - (vii) the agreements relating to the Refinancing contain limited recourse, non-recourse and non-petition provisions, investor qualification provisions and transfer restrictions equivalent to those applicable to the Notes being redeemed, as set forth herein;
  - (viii) the obligations providing the Refinancing are subject to the Priority of Payments and do not rank higher in priority pursuant to the Priority of Payments than the Class of Notes being redeemed; and

- (ix) the expenses in connection with the Refinancing have been paid or will be adequately provided for.
- (c) The Trustee shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to Sections 6.1 and 6.3 hereof) shall be fully protected in relying upon an Opinion of Counsel stating that the Refinancing is permitted by this Indenture and that all conditions precedent thereto have been complied with.
- (d) Any Refinancing Proceeds will not constitute Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds but will be applied directly on the related Refinancing Date pursuant to this Indenture to redeem the Notes being refinanced and pay Administrative Expenses in connection with the Refinancing without regard to the Priority of Payments; **provided** that to the extent that any Refinancing Proceeds exceed the amount necessary to redeem the Notes being refinanced (and any associated Administrative Expenses), such excess Refinancing Proceeds will be treated as Principal Proceeds.
- (e) If notice of consent by a Majority of the Preference Shares to a Refinancing has been received by the Trustee from the Servicer pursuant to Section 9.7(a) no later than 15 days prior to the Refinancing Date, notice of a Refinancing shall be given by the Trustee by first class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not less than 10 Business Days prior to the proposed Refinancing Date, to each Holder of Notes of the Class to be refinanced at the address in the Indenture Register (with a copy to the Servicer) and, so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent.

All Notices of Refinancing shall state:

- (i) the proposed Refinancing Date, which shall be the applicable Redemption Date in respect of the Notes being redeemed;
- (ii) the Refinancing Price, which shall be the applicable Redemption Price in respect of the Notes being redeemed;
- (iii) that on such proposed Refinancing Date such Notes will be refinanced and redeemed in full, and that, provided that the Refinancing Proceeds have been deposited with the Trustee for any such payment in full, interest on such Notes being redeemed shall cease to accrue on such date; and
- (iv) the place or places where such Notes are to be surrendered for payment of the Refinancing Price which, if not stated, shall be the office or agency of any paying agent (save for the Irish Paying Agent) as provided in Section 7.2.

**provided** that no such Notice of Refinancing shall be sent if either (a) the Servicer has withdrawn its consent to such Refinancing or (b) the consent of a



Majority of the Holders of Preference Shares to such Refinancing has not been obtained.

- (f) Notice of Refinancing shall be given by the Trustee at the expense of the Issuer. Failure to give a Notice of Refinancing, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Note selected for Refinancing shall not impair or affect the validity of the Refinancing or give rise to any claim based upon such failure or defect.
- (g) Any Notice of Refinancing may be withdrawn by the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, on or prior to the fourth Business Day prior to the scheduled Refinancing Date by written notice to the Trustee, the Paying Agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Rating Agencies and the Holders of the Preference Shares. Upon receipt of such notice of withdrawal, the Trustee shall send such notice to the Holders of Notes and, if applicable, the Irish Paying Agent.
- (h) If a Notice of Refinancing pursuant to Section 9.7(a) has been given as provided herein and not withdrawn, the Notes to be refinanced shall on the Refinancing Date become due and payable at the Refinancing Price. Each Holder of such Notes shall present and surrender its Note at the place specified in the Notice of Refinancing on or prior to such Refinancing Date; **provided** that if there is delivered to the Issuer and the Trustee such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender such Note, then, in the absence of notice to the Issuer and the Trustee that the applicable Note has been acquired by a bona fide purchaser, such final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender.
- (i) If any Class of Notes called for Refinancing shall not be so paid upon surrender thereof for Refinancing (or the delivery of the indemnity pursuant to the preceding paragraph) the principal shall, until paid, bear interest from the Refinancing Date at the applicable Interest Rate for each successive Payment Date with respect to which such Note remains Outstanding.

## **10. ACCOUNTS, ACCOUNTINGS, AND RELEASES**

### **10.1 Collection of Money**

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, the Trustee may demand payment or delivery of, and shall receive and collect, directly and without intervention or assistance of any fiscal agent or other intermediary, all money and other property payable to or receivable by the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture, including all payments due on the Pledged Obligations, in accordance with the terms of the Pledged Obligations. The Trustee shall segregate and hold all money and property received by it in trust for the Secured Parties and shall apply it as provided in this Indenture. Any Account may contain any number of sub-accounts for the convenience of the Trustee or as required by the Servicer for convenience in administering the Accounts, the Collateral.

## 10.2 Collection Account

- (a) Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated Securities Account that shall be designated as the Collection Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee as Entitlement Holder for the benefit of the Secured Parties over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, and into which the Trustee shall from time to time deposit, in addition to the deposits required pursuant to Section 10.7(e), immediately upon the Trustee's receipt thereof:
- (i) any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account pursuant to Section 10.3(g),
  - (ii) all Principal Proceeds (unless (1) simultaneously used to purchase Collateral Obligations in accordance with Section 12, (2) deposited into the Synthetic Security Reserve Account, the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or (3) posted by the Issuer as cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security or in Eligible Investments) received by the Trustee,
  - (iii) all Interest Proceeds received by the Trustee (unless simultaneously used to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations in accordance with Section 12 or in Eligible Investments), and
  - (iv) all other funds received by the Trustee from the Collateral and not excluded above.

In addition to the items described above, the Issuer may, but under no circumstances shall be required to, deposit from time to time any monies, securities and other instruments in the Collection Account it deems, in its sole discretion, to be advisable (and may designate any amounts deposited pursuant to this sentence as Principal Proceeds or Interest Proceeds in its discretion). Any Principal Proceeds received during the Replacement Period, and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments received after the Replacement Period, which have not been used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations on the Business Day of receipt shall be deposited in the Collection Account and shall at the direction of the Servicer be applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the other requirements set forth herein or the purchase of Eligible Investments pending such application or used to enter into additional Hedge Agreements or used in connection with a Special Redemption. Principal Proceeds (other than Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations, Credit Risk Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments) received after the Replacement Period shall be deposited into the Collection Account and applied to the purchase of Eligible Investments. All monies deposited from time to time in

the Collection Account pursuant to this Indenture shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and shall be applied to the purposes provided in this Indenture. Amounts in the Collection Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(a).

- (b) Within one Business Day after receipt of any distribution or other proceeds of the Collateral that are not Cash, the Trustee shall so notify the Issuer and the Servicer. Within five Business Days of receipt of the notice from the Trustee, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall sell the distribution or other proceeds for Cash in an arm's length transaction to a Person that is not the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer and deposit its proceeds in the Collection Account. The Issuer need not sell the distributions or other proceeds if it delivers an Issuer Order or an Officer's certificate to the Trustee and the Servicer certifying that the distributions or other proceeds are Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, or Workout Assets.
- (c) During the Replacement Period (or, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall withdraw funds on deposit in the Collection Account representing Principal Proceeds (and, to the extent expressly provided in this Indenture, Interest Proceeds) and apply the funds to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Synthetic Security Reserve Account, the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), in each case in accordance with the requirements of Section 12 and the Issuer Order.
- (d) At any time during or after the Replacement Period, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall, pay from amounts on deposit in the Collection Account on any Business Day during any Interest Period from Interest Proceeds only, any Administrative Expenses that require payment before the next Payment Date to the extent that the amount of the payments does not exceed the aggregate amount that may be paid on the next Payment Date under, and at the level of priority specified by, Section 11.1(a)(i)(1); **provided** that the Trustee shall be entitled (but not required), without liability on its part, to refrain from making such a requested payment of an Administrative Expense on a day other than a Payment Date if in the reasonable determination of the Trustee the payment of such amount would leave insufficient funds available to pay in full each of the items described in said Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) in amounts reasonably anticipated by the Trustee to be payable thereunder on the next Payment Date (taking into account the Administrative Expense Cap) or that would result in payments being made that are not in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

- (e) The Trustee shall transfer to the Payment Account from the Collection Account for application pursuant to Section 11.1(a) or 11.2, as applicable, on or not later than the Business Day preceding each Payment Date, the amount set forth to be so transferred in the Valuation Report for the Payment Date.
- (f) On the Determination Date related to the first Payment Date, and at the option of the Servicer, Principal Proceeds in the Collection Account in an amount not to exceed U.S.\$2,000,000 may be designated as Interest Proceeds for distribution on the first Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments to the extent such funds are not required to be applied to cure a Rating Confirmation Failure or applied to a Special Redemption.

### 10.3 Other Accounts

- (a) **Custodial Account.** Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated Securities Account that shall be designated as the Custodial Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee as Entitlement Holder for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, and into which the Trustee shall deposit the Collateral Obligations and other Collateral not deposited elsewhere in accordance with this Indenture (other than Loans, Participations and general intangibles, which in the case of Loans and Participations, shall be held by the Trustee as provided in Section 3.2). All assets or securities at any time on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Custodial Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties. The only permitted withdrawals from the Custodial Account shall be in accordance with this Indenture. The Co-Issuers shall not have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Custodial Account other than in accordance with Section 3.2 and the Priority of Payments.
- (b) **Revolving Reserve Account and Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account.** Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish (i) a single, segregated Securities Account which shall be designated as the Revolving Reserve Account and (ii) a single, segregated Securities Account that shall be designated as the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, each of which shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee as Entitlement Holder for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. Upon the purchase of any Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, at the direction of the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit Principal Proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account, in the case of a Revolving Loan, and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, in the case of a Delayed Drawdown Loan, each equal to the unfunded commitment amount of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, respectively, and the Principal Proceeds so deposited shall be considered part of the Purchase Price of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan for purposes of Section 12. At the direction of the Servicer at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall withdraw funds from the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed

Drawdown Reserve Account to fund extensions of credit pursuant to Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans, respectively. In addition, to the extent that the Issuer receives proceeds of a repayment in respect of a Revolving Loan at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall deposit the proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account. Upon the sale of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan in whole or in part or the reduction in part or termination of the Issuer's commitment thereunder, an amount on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, as the case may be, specified by the Servicer as being equal to:

- (i) the unfunded amount of the commitment (in the case of a sale in whole or a termination of the commitment),
- (ii) the proportionate amount of the amount on deposit (in the case of a sale in part), or
- (iii) the amount by which the commitment is reduced (in the case of a reduction thereof in part),

shall be transferred by the Trustee to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds. Amounts on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(b). All interest and other income from amounts in the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.4(b) shall be considered Interest Proceeds in the Due Period in which they are so deposited.

- (c) **Expense Reimbursement Account.** Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated Securities Account that shall be designated as the Expense Reimbursement Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee as Entitlement Holder for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On any Payment Date and on any date between Payment Dates, the Trustee will apply amounts, if any, in the Expense Reimbursement Account to the payment of expenses and fees that must be paid between Payment Dates or that are due on that Payment Date under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) and the Trustee shall on any Payment Date transfer to the Expense Reimbursement Account an amount equal to the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts due under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) to the Expense Reimbursement Account in accordance with Section 11.1(a)(i)(2). Funds in the Expense Reimbursement Account shall be applied in accordance with Section 10.4(a).
- (d) **Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.** Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated Securities Account that shall be designated as the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee as Entitlement Holder for the benefit of the Secured Parties (other

than the Hedge Counterparty pledging the Collateral), over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. The Trustee shall deposit all collateral received from a Hedge Counterparty under any Hedge Agreement into the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account shall be:

- (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer under a Hedge Agreement if the Hedge Agreement becomes subject to early termination, or
- (ii) to return collateral to the relevant Hedge Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Hedge Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(a) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

- (e) **Synthetic Security Collateral Account.** Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated Securities Account that shall be designated as the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee as Entitlement Holder for the benefit of the Secured Parties over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal, and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Synthetic Security and delivers a copy of it to the Trustee, the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the Synthetic Security Collateral Account with respect to the Synthetic Security.

All Synthetic Security Collateral posted by any Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Synthetic Security shall be immediately deposited into the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Synthetic Security. On each day on which amounts are payable to the Issuer out of Synthetic Security Collateral, the Issuer by Issuer Order shall direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, withdraw amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in an amount sufficient to make the payment as provided in the Issuer Order (including any total or partial release of Synthetic Security Collateral). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be (i) for application to the obligations of the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty under a Synthetic Security Agreement or (ii) to return Synthetic Security Collateral to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty at the termination of the relevant Synthetic Security Agreement or as otherwise required by the Synthetic Security Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer.



Amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(b) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

- (f) **Securities Lending Account.** Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated Securities Account that shall be designated as the Securities Lending Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee as Entitlement Holder for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal, and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Securities Lending Agreement and delivers a copy of it to the Trustee, the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the Securities Lending Account with respect to the Securities Lending Agreement. All Securities Lending Collateral posted by any Securities Lending Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Securities Lending Agreement shall be immediately deposited into the Securities Lending Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Securities Lending Agreement. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Securities Lending Account shall be:
- (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty to the Issuer under a Securities Lending Agreement if the Securities Lending Agreement becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the related Securities Lending Agreement upon any "event of default" under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement, including liquidating the related Securities Lending Collateral, or
  - (ii) to return the Securities Lending Collateral to the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Securities Lending Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(c). To the extent provided in a Securities Lending Agreement, earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be payable by the Issuer to the related Securities Lending Counterparty.

Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the loaned security or asset that relates to the Securities Lending Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer.

- (g) **Closing Date Expense Account.** Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated Securities Account that shall be designated as the Closing Date Expense Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee as Entitlement Holder for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which

the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On the Closing Date, the Trustee, at the direction of the Issuer, shall deposit into the Closing Date Expense Account approximately U.S.\$2,136,313 from the gross proceeds of the Offering. At any time before the Payment Date in August 2008, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall, pay from amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account any applicable fees and expenses of the Offering. On the Payment Date in August 2008 (or, at the discretion of the Servicer, on the Payment Date in May 2008), at the direction of the Servicer in its sole discretion, the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account to the Collection Account as Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds and close the Closing Date Expense Account.

Amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(a) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

- (h) **Payment Account.** Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated Securities Account that shall be designated as the Payment Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee as Entitlement Holder for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Payment Account shall be to pay amounts due and payable on the Notes in accordance with their terms and the provisions of this Indenture and to pay Administrative Expenses and other amounts specified in this Indenture, each in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Co-Issuers shall not have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Payment Account other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments.
- (i) **Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account.** Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated Securities Account that shall be designated as the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee as Entitlement Holder for the benefit of Holders of the Class II Preference Shares, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On each Payment Date, to the extent of available funds in accordance with the Priority of Payments, the Trustee will deposit into the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account amounts equal to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments. With respect to any Payment Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion (or all) of the Subordinated Servicing Fee or Supplemental Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event, an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands (as provided in the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement), for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special



Payments, **provided** that with respect to the Payment Date in May 2008 such Class II Preference Share Special Payments will, at a minimum, include amounts that would otherwise constitute a portion (representing the Class II Preference Share Percentage) of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Closing Date to February 3, 2008. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

- (j) [Reserved]
- (k) **Synthetic Security Reserve Account.** Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated Securities Account that shall be designated as the Synthetic Security Reserve Account, which shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee as Entitlement Holder for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. Upon the entry into any Unfunded Synthetic Security, at the direction of the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit Principal Proceeds into the Synthetic Security Reserve Account equal to the unfunded commitment amount of the Unfunded Synthetic Security, and the Principal Proceeds so deposited shall be considered part of the Purchase Price of the Unfunded Synthetic Security for purposes of Section 12. At the direction of the Servicer at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall withdraw funds from Synthetic Security Reserve Account to fund the Issuer's payment obligations under the Unfunded Synthetic Securities. Upon the sale of an Unfunded Synthetic Security in whole or in part or the reduction in part or termination of the Issuer's commitment thereunder, an amount on deposit in the Synthetic Security Reserve Account specified by the Servicer as being equal to (i) the proportionate amount of the amount on deposit (in the case of a sale in part) or (ii) the amount by which the commitment is reduced (in the case of a reduction thereof in part), shall be transferred by the Trustee to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds.

Amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Reserve Account will be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) not later than the Business Day after the date of their purchase. All interest and other income from amounts in the Synthetic Security Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.4(b) shall be considered Interest Proceeds in the Due Period in which they are so deposited.

- (l) In addition to any deposit, withdrawal, transfer or other application of funds with respect to any Account set forth in this Section 10.3 or in Section 10.2, any deposit, withdrawal, transfer or other application of funds with respect to any Account authorized elsewhere in this Indenture is hereby authorized pursuant to this Section 10.3.

- (m) In order to comply with its obligations under the USA Patriot Act of 2001, if any, the Trustee shall be entitled to request and verify, and the Noteholders, beneficial owners, the Co-Issuers and other parties related to this Indenture shall be obligated to provide to the Trustee all the necessary information required by the USA Patriot Act of 2001.

#### **10.4 Application of Funds in Accounts; Reports by Trustee**

- (a) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall at all times before an Event of Default occurs, direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, apply all funds on deposit in the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Closing Date Expense Account as so directed in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. All applications on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any Eligible Investments. Before an Event of Default occurs, if the Issuer has not given directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Servicer within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account or the Closing Date Expense Account. If the Trustee does not receive written instructions from the Servicer within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall apply the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (c) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. After an Event of Default occurs, if the Issuer does not give directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall apply the monies as fully as practicable in the Bank's "LMCS" account (or successor account) or, if the Servicer shall subsequently so direct by standing written instruction to the Trustee, such other Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (c) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" as shall be designated in such standing instruction maturing not later than the earlier of (i) 30 days after the date of the application or (ii) the Business Day before the next Payment Date. All interest and other income from such Eligible Investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from such Eligible Investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from such Eligible Investments shall be charged to the Collection Account. Subject to Section 6.7, the Trustee shall not in any way be held liable for the selection of Eligible Investments or because of any insufficiency of the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account or the Closing Date Expense Account or any other account that results from any loss relating to any such Eligible Investment.
- (b) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall at all times direct the Trustee to, and,

upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, apply all funds on deposit in the Synthetic Security Reserve Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, and the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities not later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase. All applications on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any Eligible Investments. If before an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Servicer within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Synthetic Security Reserve Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account. If the Trustee does not thereupon receive written instructions from the Servicer within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall apply the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in the Bank's "LMCS" account (or successor account), or if the Servicer shall subsequently so direct by standing written instruction to the Trustee, such other Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that are overnight funds, as shall be designated in such standing instruction. If after an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall apply the monies as fully as practicable in the Bank's "LMCS" account (or successor account), or if the Servicer shall subsequently so direct by standing written instruction to the Trustee, such other Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that are overnight funds, as shall be designated in such standing instruction. All interest and other income from such Eligible Investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from such Eligible Investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from such Eligible Investments shall be charged to the Collection Account.

- (c) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall at all times direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, apply all funds on deposit in the Securities Lending Account in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. All applications on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any Eligible Investments. The interest on the Eligible Investments shall be allocated between the Issuer and the Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the related Securities Lending Agreement. If before an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Servicer within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Securities Lending Account. If the Trustee does not thereupon receive written instructions from the Servicer within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall apply the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in the Bank's

- "LMCS" account (or successor account), or if the Servicer shall subsequently so direct by standing written instruction to the Trustee, such other Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that mature no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. If after an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall apply the monies as fully as practicable in the Bank's "LMCS" account (or successor account), or if the Servicer shall subsequently so direct by standing written instruction to the Trustee, such other Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. All interest and other income from such Eligible Investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from such Eligible Investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from such Eligible Investments shall be charged to the Collection Account.
- (d) The Trustee agrees to give the Issuer notice as soon as reasonably practicable if a Trust Officer obtains actual knowledge that any Account or any funds on deposit in any Account, or otherwise to the credit of an Account, shall become subject to any writ, order, judgment, warrant of attachment, execution or similar process. All Accounts shall remain at all times with the Custodian or a federal or state-chartered depository institution having (x) a long-term debt rating of at least "Baa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) by Moody's, (y) a short-term rating of at least "A-1" by S&P (or a long-term rating of at least "A+" by S&P if such institution has no short-term rating) and (z) combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000 that has entered into one or more securities account control agreements in accordance with Section 8 of the UCC; **provided, however,** that (i) with respect to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Synthetic Security Counterparty shall be a party to such control agreement and shall consent to the Trustee's control of such Synthetic Security Collateral Account, (ii) with respect to the Securities Lending Account, the Securities Lender shall be a party to such control agreement and shall consent to the Trustee's control of such Securities Lending Account and (iii) with respect to each Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the related Hedge Counterparty shall be a party to such control agreement and shall consent to the Trustee's control of such Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.
- (e) The Trustee shall supply, in a timely fashion, to the Co-Issuers and the Servicer any information regularly maintained by the Trustee that the Co-Issuers or the Servicer may from time to time request with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the Accounts and the Collateral and provide any other requested information reasonably available to the Trustee because of its acting as Trustee under this Indenture and required to be provided by Section 10.6, to permit the Servicer to perform its obligations under the Servicing Agreement. The Trustee shall

promptly forward to the Servicer copies of notices and other writings received by it from the issuer of any Collateral Obligation or from any Clearing Agency with respect to any Collateral Obligation which notices or writings advise the holders of the security of any rights that the holders might have with respect to the Collateral Obligation (including requests to vote with respect to amendments or waivers and notices of prepayments and redemptions) as well as all periodic financial reports received from the issuer and Clearing Agencies with respect to the issuer.

- (f) To the extent monies deposited in any Account exceed amounts insured by the Bank Insurance Fund or Savings Association Insurance Fund administered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any agencies succeeding to its insurance functions, and are not fully collateralized by direct obligations of the United States of America, the excess shall be invested in Eligible Investments as provided in the applicable provisions of this Section 10.4.

#### **10.5 Synthetic Security Counterparty Account**

- (a) To the extent that any Synthetic Security requires the Issuer to secure its obligations to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee and the Trustee shall establish a segregated Securities Account which shall be held in the name of the Trustee as Entitlement Holder for such Synthetic Security Counterparty and over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, acting at the direction of the Synthetic Security Counterparty, in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and this Indenture (a *Synthetic Security Counterparty Account*). In the alternative, a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account may be established with a trustee designated by the Synthetic Security Counterparty if that trustee would qualify to be a successor trustee under Section 6.9 and the account satisfies the other requirements of this Section.

As directed in writing by the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit (or deliver for deposit) into each Synthetic Security Counterparty Account all amounts or securities that are required to secure the obligations of the Issuer in accordance with the related Synthetic Security, such deposit to be made from funds held in the Collection Account and available for the purchase of Collateral Obligations hereunder (as instructed by the Servicer). The Servicer shall direct any such deposit only during the Replacement Period and only to the extent that monies are available for the purchase of Collateral Obligations pursuant to this Indenture. Any income received on amounts in the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall, after application in accordance with the relevant Synthetic Security (as instructed by the Servicer), be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Interest Proceeds.

- (b) As directed by the Servicer in writing and in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and this Indenture, amounts on deposit in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in Synthetic Security Collateral.
- (c) In connection with the occurrence of a credit event or an event of default or a termination event (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security) under the related Synthetic Security, amounts in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be withdrawn by the Trustee (or the Trustee shall request their withdrawal) and applied toward the payment of any amounts payable by the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty (other than any Defaulted Synthetic Termination Payments) in accordance with the Synthetic Security, as directed by the Servicer in writing. Any excess amounts held in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, or held directly by a Synthetic Security Counterparty, after payment of all amounts owing from the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the related Synthetic Security (as instructed by the Servicer) shall be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Principal Proceeds.
- (d) Amounts on deposit in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the Synthetic Security that relates to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer (with the notional amount as the Principal Balance unless a default exists under the applicable Synthetic Security).

## 10.6 Accountings

- (a) **Monthly.** Commencing the earlier of (a) the first full month after the Ramp-Up Completion Date and (b) the month ending December 2007, (i) in the case of a month in which there is no Payment Date, not later than the eighth Business Day after the last calendar day of such month and (ii) in the case of a month in which there is a Payment Date, on such Payment Date, the Issuer shall cause to be compiled and provided to the Servicer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares), the Initial Purchasers, each Hedge Counterparty, the Rating Agencies, (if so requested by the Initial Purchasers) or each Holder of a Note who makes a written request therefor, and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit H certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, the Beneficial Owner (or its designee), a monthly report (the **Monthly Report**). Each Monthly Report shall be accompanied by a Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice. The Monthly Report shall contain the following information, determined as of (1) in the case of a month in which there is no Payment Date, the last day of the applicable month and (2) in the case of a month in which there is a Payment Date, the Determination Date for such Payment Date, based in part on information provided by the Servicer (the **Monthly Determination Date**):



(i) Collateral:

- (A) The Aggregate Principal Balance (and, in the case of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its funded and unfunded amount), interest rate, Stated Maturity and obligor of each Collateral Obligation;
- (B) The stated principal balance of Defaulted Collateral Obligations;
- (C) The identity of all Collateral Obligations and all obligations that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange do not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that were released for sale or other disposition (and, for each obligation sold, indicating whether sold as a Credit Risk Obligation, a Credit Improved Obligation, a Current-Pay Obligation, a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, a Workout Asset or an obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation or whether sold in connection with any withholding tax pursuant to Section 12.1(e) or sold as a discretionary sale pursuant to Section 12.1(h)); and the identity of all Collateral Obligations that were acquired, in each case since the date of the previous Monthly Report;
- (D) The obligor of each Workout Asset;
- (E) The Purchase Price of each Collateral Obligation acquired, the sale price of each Collateral Obligation sold (or the adjusted purchase or sale price with respect to any exchange of securities requiring an allocation by the Servicer) since the date of the previous Monthly Report on each sale;
- (F) The identity of each Collateral Obligation (1) that is a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, a Workout Asset or a PIK Security, and in the case of a PIK Security (i) the principal amount of previously deferred or capitalized interest and (ii) the change in the principal amount of previously deferred or capitalized interest since the most recent Monthly Report or (2) in respect of which an obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation has been received, in each case indicating the date of such default, as applicable, and reporting any Other Indebtedness, as defined in clause (ii) in the definition of "Defaulted Collateral Obligation," that the Servicer has determined not to be material;
- (G) The S&P Industry Classification and the Moody's Industry Classification for each Collateral Obligation and the five highest

concentrations of Collateral Obligations in the Moody's Industry Classification groups and the five highest concentrations of Collateral Obligations in the S&P Industry Classification groups;

- (H) For each Collateral Obligation, the country of the obligor (and the related foreign currency debt rating) and, in the case of a country other than the United States of America, whether the obligor is Domiciled in a Moody's Group I Country, Moody's Group II Country, or Moody's Group III Country and the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations issued by issuers in the applicable country;
- (I) For each Collateral Obligation, the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate and S&P Recovery Rate;
- (J) For each Collateral Obligation, the S&P Rating, and if any S&P Rating for any Collateral Obligation in any Monthly Report is a credit estimate, "non-public" rating or "shadow" rating, the rating shall not be disclosed, but shall be replaced with an asterisk in the place of the applicable credit estimate, "non-public" rating or "shadow" rating;
- (K) For each Collateral Obligation, the Moody's Rating and the Moody's Rating Factor, determined, for this purpose, and set forth both with and without regard to whether the Collateral Obligation has been put on watch for possible upgrade or downgrade, and if any Moody's Rating for any Collateral Obligation in any Monthly Report is an "estimated" or "shadow" rating, the rating shall not be disclosed, but shall be replaced with an asterisk in the place of the applicable "estimated" or "shadow" rating;
- (L) The Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that have a Moody's Rating of "Caa1" or lower;
- (M) The Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that have an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower;
- (N) For each Collateral Obligation that is a Participation or a Synthetic Security or is loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement, the related Secondary Risk Counterparty and each Rating Agency's long-term unsecured debt rating of the Secondary Risk Counterparty;
- (O) Certain S&P benchmarks relating to the portfolio as provided by S&P in the S&P CDO Monitor regardless whether or not the S&P CDO Monitor passes or fails, including (1) S&P Default Measure



(Annualized Portfolio Default Rate), (2) S&P Variability Measure (Annualized Standard Deviation of Portfolio Default Rate), (3) S&P Correlation Measure (Ratio of Standard Deviation of Portfolio with Correlation to Standard Deviation of Portfolio without Correlation) and (4) Weighted Average Default Correlation;

- (P) The identity and Market Value of each Collateral Obligation whose Market Value (in the determination of the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator) was determined pursuant to last proviso in the definition of "Market Value;"
  - (Q) The identity of each Structured Finance Obligation serviced by the Servicer and the Aggregate Principal Balance of all such Collateral Obligations;
  - (R) The identity of each Collateral Obligation participated from or entered into with a Secondary Risk Counterparty;
  - (S) (1) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Cov-lite Loans and (2) the identify of each Collateral Obligation that is a Cov-lite Loan; and
  - (T) The identity of each Collateral Obligation owned by the Issuer that has not been disposed of within the time limits required by this Indenture.
- (ii) Accounts:
- (A) The amount of any proceeds in the Collection Account, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds (excluding unapplied proceeds), and unapplied proceeds;
  - (B) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Revolving Reserve Account;
  - (C) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account;
  - (D) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Synthetic Security Reserve Account;
  - (E) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account;

- (F) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Securities Lending Account;
  - (G) The amount in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account; and
  - (H) The amount in the Expense Reimbursement Account.
- (iii) Hedge Agreements:
- (A) The outstanding notional amount of each Hedge Agreement; and
  - (B) The amount scheduled to be received and paid by the Issuer pursuant to each Hedge Agreement on the next Payment Date (as specified by the calculation agent under each Hedge Agreement);
- (iv) Coverage Tests, Collateral Quality Tests and Retention Overcollateralization Test:
- (A) The Overcollateralization Ratios and the Overcollateralization Ratios as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date; a statement as to whether each of the Overcollateralization Tests is satisfied and a statement as to whether the Retention Overcollateralization Test is satisfied;
  - (B) The Interest Coverage Ratios and, on and after the second Payment Date, a statement as to whether each of the Interest Coverage Tests is satisfied;
  - (C) The Diversity Score and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Diversity Test is satisfied;
  - (D) The Weighted Average Life of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied;
  - (E) The Moody's Weighted Average Recovery Rate, the S&P Recovery Rate and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test with respect to the Moody's Weighted Average Recovery Rate and S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test with respect to the S&P Recovery Rate is satisfied;
  - (F) The Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied and a statement as to the amount of Spread Excess

was used to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test;

- (G) The Weighted Average Spread of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied and a statement as to the amount of Fixed Rate Excess was used to satisfy the Weighted Average Spread Test;
  - (H) The Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied; and
  - (I) The S&P CDO Monitor Test and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied and the Class Scenario Loss Rate and the then applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate with respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P and the adjusted Weighted Average Spread level determined as set forth in the definition of "Note Break-Even Loss Rate;"
- (v) Concentration Limitations and Withholding Taxes:
- (A) The percentage of the Maximum Amount itemized against each element of the Concentration Limitations and a statement as to whether each Concentration Limitation is satisfied; and
  - (B) Any withholding tax on payments under any Collateral Obligation;
- (vi) Securities Lending Agreements:
- (A) Each Collateral Obligation loaned or borrowed pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and the percentage of the Maximum Amount that represents Collateral Obligations that are loaned or borrowed pursuant to Securities Lending Agreements; and
  - (B) With respect to each Securities Lending Agreement in effect as of the Monthly Determination Date, a list setting forth:
    - (1) for each Collateral Obligation loaned or borrowed under it as of the first day of the loan, (x) its Principal Balance, (y) its Market Value and (z) its Principal Balance expressed as a percentage of the Maximum Amount,
    - (2) the term of the loan of the Collateral Obligation,
    - (3) the expiration date of the Securities Lending Agreement,

- (4) the Moody's Rating and S&P Rating for each loaned or borrowed Collateral Obligation,
- (5) the principal amount of the related Securities Lending Collateral held in the Securities Lending Account, and
- (6) the Eligible Investments held as Securities Lending Collateral pursuant to the related Securities Lending Agreement; and

(vii) Any other information the Trustee reasonably requests.

Upon receipt of each Monthly Report, the Trustee shall compare the information contained in the Monthly Report to the information contained in its records with respect to the Collateral and shall, within three Business Days after receipt of such Monthly Report, notify the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer if the information contained in the Monthly Report does not conform to the information maintained by the Trustee with respect to the Collateral, and shall detail any discrepancies. In the event that any discrepancy exists, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Servicer shall attempt to resolve the discrepancy. If such discrepancy cannot be promptly resolved, the Trustee shall within five Business Days after notification of such discrepancy cause the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8 to review such Monthly Report and the Trustee's records to determine the cause of such discrepancy. If such review reveals an error in the Monthly Report or the Trustee's records, the Monthly Report or the Trustee's records shall be revised accordingly and, as so revised, shall be used in making all calculations pursuant to this Indenture and notice of any error in the Monthly Report shall be sent as soon as practicable by the Issuer to all recipients of the report. If the review by the Independent accountants does not resolve the discrepancy, the Trustee, upon receipt of an Officer's certificate of the Servicer certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the information contained in the related Monthly Report is correct, shall conform the information it maintains to the Monthly Report received.

- (b) **Payment Date Accounting.** The Issuer shall cause to be rendered an accounting report (the "**Valuation Report**"), determined as of the close of business on each Determination Date, and provided to the Servicer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares), the Issuer, the Initial Purchasers, each Hedge Counterparty, the Rating Agencies and each Noteholder (if so requested by the Initial Purchasers), the Depository (with instructions to forward it to each of its Agent Members who are Noteholders), and upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit H certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner and the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) not later than the second Business Day preceding the related Payment Date. Each Valuation Report shall be accompanied by a Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice. The Valuation Report shall contain the following information as of the related

Payment Date (unless otherwise stated), based in part on information provided by the Servicer:

(i) Notes:

- (A) The amount of principal payments to be made on each Class of Notes on the related Payment Date;
- (B) The Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes after giving effect to any principal payments on the related Payment Date and, for each Class of Notes, the percentage of its initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount that amount represents;
- (C) For each Class of Notes, the percentage of the initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all of the Notes that its initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount represented and, after giving effect to any principal payments on the related Payment Date, the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all of the Notes that its Aggregate Outstanding Amount represents;
- (D) The interest payable in respect of each Class of Notes on the related Payment Date (in the aggregate and by Class) and its calculation in reasonable detail; and
- (E) The amounts to be paid, if any, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payments on the Preference Shares on the related Payment Date, showing separately the payments from Interest Proceeds and the payments from Principal Proceeds;

(ii) Payment Date Payments:

- (A) The amounts to be distributed under each clause of Sections 11.1(a)(i), 11.1(a)(ii) and 11.2 itemized by clause, and to the extent applicable, by type of distribution under the clause; and
- (B) Any amounts payable under the Hedge Agreements by any Hedge Counterparty on or before the related Payment Date and its calculation in reasonable detail (as specified by the calculation agent under the Hedge Agreement);

(iii) Accounts:

- (A) The amount of any proceeds in the Collection Account, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds (excluding unapplied proceeds) and unapplied proceeds;

- (B) The amount in the Collection Account after all payments and deposits to be made on the related Payment Date, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds and as Principal Proceeds;
  - (C) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Revolving Reserve Account;
  - (D) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account;
  - (E) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Synthetic Security Reserve Account;
  - (F) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account;
  - (G) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Securities Lending Account;
  - (H) The amount in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account; and
  - (I) The amount in the Expense Reimbursement Account.
- (iv) A notice setting forth LIBOR, as calculated by the Calculation Agent, for the next Interest Period and each Note Interest Rate for the next Payment Date; and
  - (v) Any other information the Trustee reasonably requests.

Upon receipt of each Valuation Report, the Trustee shall compare the information contained in the Valuation Report to the information contained in its records with respect to the Collateral and shall, within three Business Days after receipt of such Valuation Report, notify the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer if the information contained in the Valuation Report does not conform to the information maintained by the Trustee with respect to the Collateral, and shall detail any discrepancies. In the event that any discrepancy exists, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Servicer shall attempt to resolve the discrepancy. If such discrepancy cannot be promptly resolved, the Trustee shall within five Business Days after notification of such discrepancy cause the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8 to review such Valuation Report and the Trustee's records to determine the cause of such discrepancy. If such review reveals an error in the Valuation Report or the Trustee's records, the Valuation Report or the Trustee's records shall be revised accordingly and, as so revised, shall be used in making all calculations pursuant to this Indenture and notice of any error in the Valuation Report shall be sent as soon as practicable by

- the Issuer to all recipients of such report. If the review by the Independent accountants does not resolve the discrepancy, the Trustee, upon receipt of an Officer's certificate of the Servicer certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the information contained in the related Valuation Report is correct, shall conform the information it maintains to the Valuation Report received.
- (c) **Failure to Provide Accounting.** If the Trustee shall not have received any accounting provided for in Section 10.6(b) on the first Business Day after the date on which the accounting is due to the Trustee, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Servicer, and the Servicer shall use all reasonable efforts to cause the accounting to be made by the applicable Payment Date. To the extent the Trustee is required to provide any information or reports pursuant to this Section 10.6 as a result of the failure of the Issuer (or anyone acting on the Issuer's behalf) to provide the information or reports, the Trustee may retain an Independent certified public accountant in connection therewith and the reasonable costs incurred by the Trustee for the Independent certified public accountant shall be reimbursed pursuant to Section 6.8.
  - (d) **Irish Stock Exchange.** So long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange: (i) the Trustee shall communicate to the Irish Stock Exchange the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each listed Class of Notes following each Payment Date and inform the Irish Stock Exchange if any such Class of Notes did not receive scheduled payments of principal or interest on the Payment Date; (ii) the Trustee shall inform the Irish Stock Exchange if the ratings assigned to the Notes are reduced or withdrawn and the information shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange; and (iii) the Trustee shall inform the Irish Stock Exchange, in advance, of the Note Interest Rate for each such Class, as well as the exact date of the following Payment Date.
  - (e) **Quarterly Letter.** The Servicer shall provide a quarterly letter to the recipients of the Valuation Report highlighting events occurring during the related quarterly period within 30 days of the date of the delivery of the Valuation Report.
  - (f) **S&P CDO Monitor.** On or after the Ramp-Up Completion Date and together with each Monthly Report and Valuation Report, the Issuer shall provide to S&P the Excel Default Model Input File via e-mail and, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, the name of the obligor thereon and the CUSIP number thereof (if applicable).
  - (g) **Payments or Transfers from the Payment Account.** Each Valuation Report shall constitute instructions to the Trustee to withdraw on the related Payment Date from the Payment Account and pay or transfer amounts set forth in such Valuation Report in the manner specified and in accordance with the priority established in Section 11.1 hereof.



## 10.7 Release of Collateral

- (a) The Trustee shall present Collateral for redemption or payment in full in accordance with the terms of the Collateral upon receipt of an Issuer Order. If no Event of Default is continuing, the Issuer may, by Issuer Order executed by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, delivered to the Trustee at least two Business Days before the settlement date for any sale of an obligation certifying that the sale of the Collateral is being made in accordance with Sections 12.1 and 12.3 and the sale complies with all applicable requirements of Section 12.1, direct the Trustee to release the Collateral and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall deliver any such Collateral, if in physical form, duly endorsed to the broker or purchaser designated in the Issuer Order or otherwise cause an appropriate transfer of it to be made, in each case against receipt of the sales price therefor as specified by the Servicer in the Issuer Order. The Trustee may deliver any such Collateral in physical form for examination pursuant to a bailee letter.
- (b) The Trustee shall, upon an Issuer Order executed by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, deliver any Pledged Obligation that is set for any mandatory call or redemption or payment in full to the appropriate paying agent (other than the Irish Listing Agent) on or before the date set for the call, redemption or payment, in each case against receipt of its call or redemption price or payment in full and provide notice of it to the Servicer.
- (c) Upon receiving actual notice of any Offer, the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer shall notify the Servicer of any Collateral Obligation that is subject to a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion or other similar action (an "**Offer**"). If no Event of Default is continuing, the Servicer may direct the Trustee (and if an Event of Default is continuing, the Servicer may advise, and the Trustee may, in consultation with the Servicer, decide) to accept or participate in or decline or refuse to participate in the Offer and, in the case of acceptance or participation, to dispose of the Collateral Obligation in accordance with the Offer against receipt of payment for it. If the consideration to be received by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation is other than Cash, the consideration must be a Collateral Obligation that would be eligible for purchase by the Issuer pursuant to Section 12.2 assuming for this purpose that the Issuer committed to purchase the same on the date on which the Issuer accepts the Offer.
- (d) Upon disposition by the Trustee of Collateral to any Person against receipt of payment therefore as provided in any of the foregoing clauses (a), (b) or (c), the Collateral shall be free of the lien of this Indenture. The lien shall continue in the proceeds received from the disposition.
- (e) As provided in Section 10.2(b), the Trustee shall deposit any proceeds received by it from the disposition of a Pledged Obligation in the Collection Account, unless simultaneously applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Synthetic Security Reserve Account, the



Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or Eligible Investments as permitted under and in accordance with the requirements of this Section 10 and Section 12.

- (f) The Trustee shall, upon receipt of an Issuer Order when no Notes are Outstanding and all obligations of the Co-Issuers under this Indenture have been satisfied, as evidenced by an Officer's certificate or an Opinion of Counsel, release any remaining Collateral from the lien of this Indenture.
- (g) The Trustee shall release from the lien of this Indenture any Collateral that is provided directly to a Synthetic Security Counterparty or deposited in a segregated account in accordance with Section 10.5. Any Collateral or proceeds received by or redeposited by the Issuer into the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.5 shall again be subject to the lien of this Indenture.

Any collateral deposited in a segregated account in accordance with Section 10.3(d), (e), and (f) shall be subject to the lien of this Indenture for the benefit of the Secured Parties. Any collateral withdrawn by the Issuer in accordance with Section 10.3(d), (e), and (f) shall be released from the lien of this Indenture by the Trustee to the extent returned to the appropriate counterparty pursuant to Sections 10.3(d), (e) and (f).

#### **10.8 Reports by Independent Accountants**

- (a) At the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall appoint a firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation for purposes of preparing and delivering the reports or certificates of the accountants required by this Indenture. Within 30 days of any resignation by the firm, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall promptly appoint by Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee and each Rating Agency a successor firm that is a firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation. If the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, fails to appoint a successor to a firm of Independent certified public accountants which has resigned within 30 days after the resignation, the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, shall promptly appoint a successor firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation. The fees of such Independent certified public accountants and their successors shall be payable by the Issuer as an Administrative Expense.
- (b) On or before October 15 of each year commencing in 2008, the Issuer shall cause to be delivered to the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer or each Noteholder or Holder of Preference Shares upon written request therefor, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit H certifying that it is a Beneficial

Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) and each Rating Agency a statement from a firm of Independent certified public accountants indicating (i) that the firm has reviewed each Valuation Report received since the last review and applicable information from the Trustee, (ii) that the calculations within those Valuation Reports have been performed in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture (except as otherwise noted in the statement) and (iii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the preceding Determination Date. If a conflict exists between the firm of Independent certified public accountants and the Issuer with respect to any matter in this Section 10.8, the determination by that firm of Independent public accountants shall be conclusive. The statement shall be in the form of an Accountant's Certificate issued to the Issuer, the form of which shall be agreed on by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer.

- (c) Upon the written request of the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any Holder of Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the firm of Independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to Section 10.8(a) to provide any Holder of Preference Shares with all information requested pursuant to Section 7.17(g) or provide the Issuer with any assistance required in its preparation.

## **10.9 Reports to Rating Agencies**

In addition to the information and reports specifically required to be provided to each Rating Agency pursuant to this Indenture, the Issuer shall provide each Rating Agency with the Accountants' Certificates delivered to the Trustee under this Indenture, and such additional information as either Rating Agency may from time to time reasonably request. In addition, any notices of restructurings and amendments received by the Issuer or the Trustee in connection with the Issuer's ownership of a DIP Loan shall be delivered by the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) or the Trustee, as the case may be, promptly to the Rating Agencies.

## **11. APPLICATION OF MONIES**

### **11.1 Disbursements of Monies from Payment Account**

- (a) Notwithstanding any other provision in this Indenture, but subject to the other subsections of this Section 11.1 and to Section 13.1, on each Payment Date, the Trustee shall disburse available amounts from the Payment Account as follows and for application by the Trustee in accordance with the following priorities (the "***Priority of Payments***"):
  - (i) On each Payment Date, Interest Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period (other than Interest Proceeds previously used during such Due Period to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations or otherwise used as permitted by Section 10.2) shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

- (1) to the payment of any taxes and registration and filing fees owed by the Co-Issuers (without limit) and then to the payment of Administrative Expenses up to the Administrative Expense Cap as follows:

*first*, in the following order of priority,

- (i) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Trustee; and then
- (ii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Collateral Administrator; and then
- (iii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Preference Shares Paying Agent; and

*second*, in the following order of priority,

- (i) fees and expenses of the Administrator; and then
- (ii) fees and expenses of the Co-Issuers (including fees and expenses of counsel and ongoing surveillance, credit estimate, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies) and any other Person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for in this Indenture, and to the expenses (but not fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;

- (2) the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts paid pursuant to clause (1) above to deposit into the Expense Reimbursement Account;
- (3) first, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with Section 10.3(i) an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee then due and payable and second, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause;

- (4) to the payment of all amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements (if any) other than any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;
- (5) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-1 Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-1 Notes;
- (6) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-2 Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-2 Notes;
- (7) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class B Notes;
- (8) if the Class A/B Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in accordance with the Note Payment Sequence, in each case, in the amount necessary so that all of the Class A/B Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (8) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(C)(1) on the current Payment Date);
- (9) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class C Notes (excluding Class C Deferred Interest, but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class C Deferred Interest);
- (10) if the Class C Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in accordance with the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class C Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied

pursuant to this clause (10) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(C)(3) on the current Payment Date);

- (11) to the payment of Class C Deferred Interest;
- (12) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class D Notes (excluding Class D Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class D Deferred Interest);
- (13) if the Class D Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in accordance with the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class D Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (13) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(C)(6) on the current Payment Date);
- (14) to the payment of Class D Deferred Interest;
- (15) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class E Notes (excluding Class E Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class E Deferred Interest);
- (16) if the Class E Coverage Test is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class E Notes in the amount necessary so that the Class E Coverage Test would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full;
- (17) to the payment of Class E Deferred Interest;
- (18) if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes in accordance with the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that a

Rating Confirmation is obtained, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (18) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(C)(10) on the current Payment Date);

- (19) during the Replacement Period, if the Retention Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, for deposit to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds 50% of the remaining Interest Proceeds available after the payments pursuant to clause (18) above (or, if the amount necessary to cause the Retention Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as of such Determination Date is less than 50% of such remaining Interest Proceeds, such necessary amount);
- (20) to the payment of any remaining Administrative Expenses not paid under clause (1) above in the respective priorities specified in clause (1);
- (21) first, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with Section 10.3(i) an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee then due and payable and second, to the payment (pro rata according to the amounts payable under clauses (x) and (y) below) to: (x) the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and (y) pro rata to each Noteholder entitled thereto, the applicable Extension Bonus Payment pursuant to, and in accordance with, Section 2.4(g);
- (22) to the payment *pari passu* of any (x) Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments and (y) Defaulted Synthetic Termination Payments;
- (23) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0%;

- (24) first, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with Section 10.3(i) of an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) the Supplemental Servicing Fee, if applicable and second, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Supplemental Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and
- (25) any remaining Interest Proceeds, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment pro rata to the Holders of the Preference Shares;

**provided** that, in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds referred to under clauses (23) and (25) above, in whole or in part on any Payment Date, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute any Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be due and payable on such Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to any such Payment Date shall be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution in accordance with Priority of Payments on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be increased accordingly.

- (ii) On each Payment Date, Principal Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period other than:



- (A) Principal Proceeds previously used to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Synthetic Security Reserve Account, the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or otherwise used as permitted by Section 10.2,
- (B) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Synthetic Security Reserve Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, or the Securities Lending Account, and
- (C) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed Purchase Prices for Collateral Obligations with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment before the end of the Due Period for their purchase, but has not settled the purchase by the end of the Due Period, shall be distributed in the following order of priority:
  - (1) (x) first, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (7) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (y) second, to the payment of amounts referred to in clause (8) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class A/B Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (1), or until such amounts are paid in full;
  - (2) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (9) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; **provided** that after giving effect to such payment, each Coverage Test will be satisfied on a *pro forma* basis;
  - (3) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (10) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class C Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (3) or until such amounts are paid in full;



- (4) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (11) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; **provided** that after giving effect to such payment, each Coverage Test will be satisfied on a *pro forma* basis;
- (5) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (12) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; **provided** that after giving effect to such payment, each Coverage Test will be satisfied on a *pro forma* basis;
- (6) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (13) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class D Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (6) or until such amounts are paid in full;
- (7) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (14) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; **provided** that after giving effect to such payment, each Coverage Test will be satisfied on a *pro forma* basis;
- (8) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (15) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; **provided** that after giving effect to such payment, each Coverage Test will be satisfied on a *pro forma* basis;
- (9) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (17) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; **provided** that after giving effect to such payment, each Coverage Test will be satisfied on a *pro forma* basis;
- (10) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (18) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (11) (A) if the Payment Date is a Redemption Date in the following order of priority: (i) to the payment of the Redemption Prices of all of the Notes to be redeemed (sequentially, in direct order of seniority), (ii) to the

payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (20) through (24) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (iii) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares of the Redemption Price of any Preference Shares to be redeemed; and

(B) if the Payment Date is a Special Redemption Date, to the payment of principal of the Notes (sequentially, in direct order of seniority) in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount, in each case until paid in full;

- (12) during the Replacement Period, all remaining Principal Proceeds to the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.19 and Section 12 (and, until so applied (including any related deposit into the Synthetic Security Reserve Account, the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or (if so required by the terms of the related Synthetic Security) a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account) or until so applied, to the Collection Account to be held as Principal Proceeds);
- (13) after the Replacement Period, (i) *first*, at the discretion of the Servicer (with respect to Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations) to the purchase or funding of additional or replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the applicable provisions of this Indenture when appropriate Collateral Obligations are available, and until such time, to the Collection Account for the purchase of Eligible Investments; and (ii) *second*, to the payment of principal of Notes (sequentially, in direct order of seniority) until paid in full;
- (14) to the extent not previously paid in full under clause (12) above, after the Replacement Period, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (20) through (24) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; and

- (15) after the Replacement Period to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares.
- (b) If on any Payment Date the amount available in the Payment Account is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by the Valuation Report, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for in the order and according to the priority under Section 11.1(a), subject to Section 13.1, to the extent funds are available therefor.
- (c) The Trustee shall remit funds to pay Administrative Expenses of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in accordance with Section 11.1(a), to the extent available, to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer as directed and designated in an Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions) delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before each Payment Date.
- (d) If the Hedge Counterparty defaults in the payment of its obligations to the Issuer under the respective Hedge Agreements on the date on which any payment is due thereunder, the Trustee shall make a demand on the Hedge Counterparty, or any guarantor, if applicable, demanding payment by 12:30 P.M., New York time, on that date. The Trustee shall give notice to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer and each Rating Agency upon the continuing failure by the Hedge Counterparty to perform its obligations during the two Business Days following a demand made by the Trustee on, the Hedge Counterparty, and shall take the action with respect to the continuing failure as directed by the Servicer (subject to Section 6.1(c)(iv)) unless an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing in which case direction is to be taken pursuant to Section 5.13.
- (e) Except as otherwise expressly provided in Section 11.1(a) above, if on any Payment Date, the amount available in the Payment Account from amounts received in the related Due Period is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by any numbered or lettered paragraph or clause of Section 11.1(a) to different Persons, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for by the paragraph or clause ratably in accordance with the respective amounts of the disbursements then payable, subject to Section 13.1, to the extent funds are available therefor.

## **12. SALE OF COLLATERAL OBLIGATIONS; PURCHASE OF COLLATERAL OBLIGATIONS**

### **12.1 Sales of Collateral Obligations**

Subject to the satisfaction of the conditions specified in Section 10.6, Section 12.1 and Section 12.3 and if no Event of Default is continuing as evidenced by an Officer's

certificate of the Servicer provided to the Trustee, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset if the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that the sale meets the requirements of any one of paragraphs (a) through (i) of this Section 12.1. If the Issuer sells any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset during the Replacement Period, the proceeds shall be applied in accordance with Section 12.2.

- (a) **Credit Risk Obligations.** At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Risk Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Risk Obligation in accordance with such direction. Following any sale of a Credit Risk Obligation pursuant to this Section 12.1(a), at the direction of the Servicer during the Replacement Period, the Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (to the extent the purchase is in the best interest of the Issuer) meeting the Eligibility Criteria with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Sale Proceeds received by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral Obligation sold. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its Funded Amount.
- (b) **Credit Improved Obligations.** At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Improved Obligation if either:
  - (i) during the Replacement Period, the Servicer has identified in writing before the sale one or more specific manners in which it will be able, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria and the requirements set forth in Section 12.1(i), to cause the Issuer to use the Sale Proceeds (it being understood that such identification shall not be considered either a requirement or an assurance that any specified purchase will be consummated) to purchase one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Credit Improved Obligation by the end of the immediately succeeding Due Period (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its Funded Amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest) which in aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Tests, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith being improved, (ii) the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests and Concentration Limitations being improved on a net basis in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer

and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased; and

- (ii) after the Replacement Period, the Sale Proceeds received in respect of the Credit Improved Obligation are at least equal to its Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its Funded Amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest;

and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Improved Obligation in accordance with such direction.

- (c) **Non-Performing Collateral Obligations.** At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction. Non-Performing Collateral Obligations may be sold regardless of price.
- (d) **Non-qualifying Collateral Obligations.** At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation (the "*Non-qualifying Collateral Obligation*") at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell that obligation in accordance with such direction.
- (e) **Withholding Tax Sales.** At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation subject to withholding tax at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction.
- (f) **Optional Redemption.** After the Issuer has notified the Trustee of an Optional Redemption of the Notes in accordance with Section 9, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all or a portion of the Collateral Obligations as contemplated therein if (i) the requirements of Section 9 are satisfied and (ii) the Independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to Section 10.7 have confirmed the calculations contained in any required certificate furnished by the Servicer pursuant to Section 9.3(c). After a Majority of the Preference Shares have directed an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares in accordance with Section 9.2(b), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all of the remaining Collateral Obligations (in

the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(i)) or a portion of the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous directions of Holders of the Preference Shares (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii)) and the Trustee shall sell the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

- (g) **Rating Confirmation Failure.** After the Servicer has received notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Securities, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell Collateral Obligations as contemplated in Section 9.1 and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.
- (h) **Workout Assets.** At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Workout Asset at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and regardless of price and the Trustee shall sell the Workout Assets in accordance with such direction.
- (i) **Supervening Requirement.** Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Issuer (at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise) shall not acquire or dispose of a Collateral Obligation or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. For the avoidance of doubt, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise, may direct the Trustee to sell any CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation or Deep Discount Obligation only (a) if it constitutes a Credit Risk Obligation or Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or (b) in connection with the Optional Redemption as set out in paragraph (f) above. The Trustee shall have no obligation to monitor compliance by the Issuer or the Servicer with respect to the requirement set out in this paragraph (i).
- (j) **Tax Sales.** The Issuer must sell (not merely hedge) any Eligible Equity Security or security or other consideration that is received in an exchange and any Defaulted Collateral Obligation or any other obligation or security that in each case does not comply with paragraphs (15), (28) or (29) of the definition of Collateral Obligation not later than five Business Days after the Issuer's receipt thereof (or within five Business Days of such later date as such security may first be sold of in accordance with its terms and applicable law).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation (other than the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation or a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation pursuant to a sale that meets the requirements in paragraph (a) or (c) above, as applicable) following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to Section 14 of the



Servicing Agreement until a successor Servicer is appointed pursuant to Section 12 of the Servicing Agreement.

## 12.2 Purchase of Collateral Obligations

- (a) On any date during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, on any date after the Replacement Period), so long as no Event of Default is continuing, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to apply Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations) to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Synthetic Security Reserve Account, the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) if the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the conditions specified in this Section 12.2 and Section 12.3 are met.
- (b) **Eligibility Criteria.** No obligations may be purchased unless each of the conditions in the following clauses (i) through (xii) (the "**Eligibility Criteria**") is satisfied as evidenced by a certificate of the Servicer as of the date the Issuer commits to make the purchase, in each case after giving effect to the purchase and all other purchases and sales previously or simultaneously committed to:
  - (i) the obligation is a Collateral Obligation;
  - (ii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period:
    - (A) each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied and, if the commitment is made on or after the second Payment Date, each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied, or
    - (B) if any such Coverage Test is not satisfied, both:
      - (1) the extent of satisfaction of the Coverage Test is not reduced, and
      - (2) the Collateral Obligation is being purchased with Principal Proceeds other than:
        - (x) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, or
        - (y) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Workout Asset that has been received in exchange for a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;

- (iii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Diversity Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (iv) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced; **provided** that the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor does not exceed 2750 or, if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor exceeds 2750 prior to giving effect to such purchase or sale, the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor is not increased;
- (v) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, each of the limits in the definition of "Concentration Limitations" is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (vi) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (vii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (viii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (ix) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (x) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the S&P Minimum Weighted Average Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (xi) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced; **provided, however**, that this Eligibility Criterion (xi) shall not apply either to the application of the proceeds from the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset or to the application of Principal Proceeds in respect of Defaulted Collateral Obligations; and
- (xii) for any date occurring after the Replacement Period:
  - (A) each Coverage Test is satisfied and the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;



- (B) each Collateral Quality Test is satisfied or, in the case of the Diversity Test and the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, maintained or improved; *provided* that if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor exceeds 2750 prior to giving effect to such purchase or sale, the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor is not increased and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied;
- (C) each Concentration Limitation is maintained or improved and the Aggregate Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations do not exceed 7.5% of the Maximum Amount;
- (D) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation is at least equal to the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments or of the Credit Risk Obligations or Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable;
- (E) the current Moody's Rating on the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes is "Aaa" and the current Moody's Ratings on the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes are no lower than one subcategory below their Initial Rating; and
- (F) the Stated Maturity of such Collateral Obligation is equal to or earlier than the Stated Maturity of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments or of the Credit Risk Obligations or Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to purchase any Collateral Obligation following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to Section 14 of the Servicing Agreement until a successor Servicer is appointed pursuant Section 12 of the Servicing Agreement.

- (c) **Certain Permitted Exchanges.** The Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, exchange a Collateral Obligation for another Collateral Obligation in an A/B Exchange.
- (d) **Certification by Servicer.** Not later than the Business Day preceding the settlement date for any Collateral Obligation purchased after the Closing Date (but in any event no later than the release of Cash for the Purchase Price of the purchase), the Servicer shall deliver to the Trustee an Officer's certificate of the Servicer certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the purchase

complies with this Section 12.2 and with Section 12.3 (determined as of the date that the Issuer commits to make the purchase).

- (e) **Eligible Investments.** Cash on deposit in the Collection Account may be held at any time in Eligible Investments in accordance with Section 10.4(a) pending the application thereof to purchase Collateral Obligations.

### **12.3 Conditions Applicable to All Sale and Purchase Transactions**

- (a) Any sale or purchase by the Issuer of a Collateral Obligation shall be conducted on an arm's length basis and, if effected with the Servicer or a Person Affiliated with the Servicer or any fund or account for which the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer acts as investment adviser, shall be effected in accordance with the requirements of Section 5 of the Servicing Agreement on terms no less favorable to the Issuer than would be the case if the Person were not so Affiliated. The Trustee shall have no responsibility to oversee compliance with this clause (a) by the other parties.
- (b) Upon any acquisition of any Collateral Obligation, all of the Issuer's interest in the Collateral Obligation shall be Granted to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture.
- (c) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Section 12, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to sell or purchase any Collateral Obligation (other than the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation or a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation pursuant to Section 12.1(a) or (c), as applicable) following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to Section 14 of the Servicing Agreement until a successor Servicer is appointed pursuant to Section 12(e) of the Servicing Agreement.

### **12.4 Certain Determinations Relating to Collateral Obligations**

- (a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Indenture, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have purchased any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to purchase, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to receive such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have acquired, granted or delivered, as the case may be, such Collateral Obligations on such date.
- (b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Indenture, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to sell, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in

each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to sell, and requiring the purchaser to purchase, such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold such Collateral Obligations on such date.

- (c) Under the circumstances described in subsections (a) and (b) above, if the transaction contemplated by the contract, commitment letter, confirmation or due bill referred to therein does not settle on or before the 60th day following the scheduled settlement date (the "**Deadline**"), the deemed purchase or sale shall be deemed not to have occurred; **provided, however**, that the Servicer shall have the right to extend the Deadline for an additional period (not to exceed an additional 60 days) by notice to the Trustee, which notice shall include the Servicer's certification to the effect that the Servicer believes that the settlement shall occur on or before the extended Deadline.
- (d) Scheduled distributions with respect to any Pledged Collateral Obligation shall be determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture.

### 13. NOTEHOLDERS' RELATIONS

#### 13.1 Subordination

- (a) With respect to each Class of Notes and the Preference Shares, the Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares that are Priority Classes and Junior Classes are as follows:

Class	Junior Classes	Priority Classes
A-1	A-2, B, C, D, E, Preference Shares*	None
A-2	B, C, D, E, Preference Shares*	A-1
B	C, D, E, Preference Shares*	A-1, A-2
C	D, E, Preference Shares*	A-1, A-2, B
D	E, Preference Shares*	A-1, A-2, B, C
E	Preference Shares*	A-1, A-2, B, C, D
Preference Shares	None**	A-1, A-2, B, C, D, E

\* Other than with respect to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, which may be payable to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as set forth herein and will have priority to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

\*\* The Preference Shares will be entitled to certain residual cash flow after payment of senior obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

- (b) Anything in this Indenture or the Notes to the contrary notwithstanding, the Holders of each Class of Notes that is a Junior Class agree for the benefit of the Holders of Notes of each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class that the Junior Class shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes of each Priority Class to the extent and in the manner provided in this Indenture. If any Event of Default has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs and is continuing in accordance with Section 5, each Priority Class of Notes shall be paid in full in Cash or, to the extent a Majority of each Class consents, other than in Cash, before any further payment or distribution is made on account of any Junior Class of Notes with respect to the Priority Class. The Holders of each Junior Class of Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of Notes of each Priority Class in respect of the Junior Class, not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for failure to pay to them amounts due to the Junior Class, of the Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or under this Indenture until the payment in full of the Priority Classes or all the Classes, as the case may be, and not before one year and a day, or if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, has elapsed since the payment.
- (c) If, notwithstanding the provisions of this Indenture, any Holder of Notes of any Junior Class has received any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes contrary to the provisions of this Indenture, then, until each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class of Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, has been paid in full in Cash or, to the extent a Majority of the Priority Class or the Class, as the case may be, consents, other than in Cash in accordance with this Indenture, the payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, which shall pay and deliver the same to the Holders of the applicable Priority Classes of Notes or the Holders of all Classes of Notes, as the case may be, in accordance with this Indenture. If any such payment or distribution is made other than in Cash, it shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and subject in all respects to this Indenture, including this Section 13.1.
- (d) Each Holder of Notes of any Junior Class agrees with all Holders of the applicable Priority Classes that the Holder of Junior Class Notes shall not demand, accept, or receive any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes in violation of this Indenture including this Section 13.1. After a Priority Class has been paid in full, the Holders of Notes of the related Junior Class or Classes shall

be fully subrogated to the rights of the Holders of the Priority Class. Nothing in this Section 13.1 shall affect the obligation of the Issuer to pay Holders of any Junior Class of Notes.

- (e) Distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) are subordinate to distributions on the Notes as described in the Priority of Payments.
- (f) The Servicing Fees shall have priority only to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

### **13.2 Standard of Conduct**

In exercising any of its or their voting rights, rights to direct and consent, or any other rights as a Noteholder under this Indenture, a Noteholder shall not have any obligation or duty to any Person or to consider or take into account the interests of any Person and shall not be liable to any Person for any action taken by it or them or at its or their direction or any failure by it or them to act or to direct that an action be taken, without regard to whether the action or inaction benefits or adversely affects any Noteholder, the Issuer or any other Person, except for any liability to which the Noteholder may be subject to the extent the same results from the Noteholder's taking or directing an action, or failing to take or direct an action, in bad faith or in violation of the express terms of this Indenture.

## **14. MISCELLANEOUS**

### **14.1 Form of Documents Delivered to Trustee**

In any case where several matters are required to be certified by, or covered by an opinion of, any specified Person, it is not necessary that all the matters be certified by, or covered by the opinion of, only one Person, or that they be so certified or covered by only one document, but one such Person may certify or give an opinion with respect to some matters and one or more other such Persons as to other matters, and any such Person may certify or give an opinion as to the matters in one or several documents.

Any certificate or opinion of an Officer of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Servicer may be based, insofar as it relates to legal matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, counsel, unless the Officer knows, or should know that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to the matters upon which his certificate or opinion is based are erroneous. Any such certificate of an Officer of the Issuer, Co-Issuer or the Servicer or Opinion of Counsel may be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or any other Person, stating that the information with respect to the factual matters is in the possession of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or the other Person, unless the Officer of the Issuer, Co-Issuer or the Servicer or the counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to factual matters are erroneous. Any Opinion of Counsel may also be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a

certificate or opinion of, or representations by, an Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, stating that the information with respect to factual matters is in the possession of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, unless the counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to factual matters are erroneous.

Where any Person is required to make, give, or execute two or more applications, requests, consents, certificates, statements, opinions or other instruments under this Indenture, they may, but need not, be consolidated and form one instrument.

Whenever this Indenture provides that the absence of the continuation of a Default or Event of Default is a condition precedent to the taking of any action by the Trustee at the request or direction of either Co-Issuer, then notwithstanding that the satisfaction of the condition is a condition precedent to the Co-Issuer's right to make the request or direction, the Trustee shall be protected in acting in accordance with the request or direction if it does not have knowledge of the continuation of the Default or Event of Default as provided in Section 6.1(d).

#### **14.2 Acts of Holders of Securities**

- (a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or taken by Holders of Securities may be embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments (which may be an electronic document, including, but not limited, to in the form of e-mail, to the extent permitted by applicable law) of substantially similar tenor signed by Holders of Securities in Person or by agents duly appointed in writing (**provided** that no signature shall be required on electronic documents, including, but not limited to, in the form of e-mail to the extent permitted by law). Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, the action shall become effective when the instruments are delivered to the Trustee (which instrument or instruments may be delivered through the Preference Shares Paying Agent, in the case of the Holders of the Preference Shares) and, if expressly required, to the Issuer. The instruments (and the action embodied in them) are referred to as the "**Act**" of the Holders of Securities signing the instruments. Proof of execution of any instrument or of a writing appointing an agent for a Holder of a Security shall be sufficient for any purpose of this Indenture and conclusive in favor of the Trustee and the Issuer, if made in the manner provided in this Section.
- (b) The fact and date of the execution by any Person of any instrument may be proved by an affidavit of a witness to the execution or the certificate of any notary public or other Person authorized by law to acknowledge the execution of deeds. Any certificate on behalf of a jural entity executed by a Person purporting to have authority to act on behalf of the jural entity shall itself be sufficient proof of the authority of the Person executing it to act. The fact and date of the execution by any Person of any instrument may also be proved in any other manner that the Trustee deems sufficient.

- (c) The Indenture Register shall prove the ownership of the Notes and the principal amount and registered numbers of Notes and the number of Preference Shares held by and the number(s) of the Preference Share certificate(s) issued to, any Person shall be proved by the Preference Share register.
- (d) Any Act by the Holder of a Security shall bind every Holder of the same Security and every Security issued on its transfer or in exchange for it or in lieu of it, in respect of anything done, omitted or suffered to be done by the Trustee or the Issuer in reliance on the Act, whether or not notation of the action is made on the Securities.

#### **14.3 Notices, etc., to Certain Persons or Parties**

- (a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, order, notice, consent, waiver, or Act of Holders of Securities or other documents provided or permitted by this Indenture to be made, given, or furnished to, or filed with:
  - (i) the Trustee or Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and made, given, furnished, or filed to and mailed, by certified mail, return receipt requested, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service guaranteeing next day delivery, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Trustee or Preference Shares Paying Agent addressed to it at, 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116, telecopy no. (617) 351-4358, Attention: CDO Services Group, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto by the Trustee (any request, direction, order, notice or other communication from the Servicer to the Trustee under Section 12 (other than required certifications) may be by electronic mail, which shall be deemed to be in writing);
  - (ii) the Co-Issuers shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Issuer addressed to it at c/o Maples Finance Limited, P.O. Box 1093GT, Boundary Hall, Cricket Square, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, telecopy no. (345) 945-7100, Attention: The Directors—Stratford CLO Ltd., or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, with a copy to the Servicer at its address below;
  - (iii) the Servicer shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Servicer addressed to it at Two Galleria Tower, 13455 Noel Road, Suite 800, Dallas, Texas 75240, telecopy no. (972) 628-4147, Attention: James



Dondero, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto;

- (iv) the Initial Purchasers shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Initial Purchasers addressed to them at 1301 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10019, telecopy no. (212) 526-6713, Attention: Credit Markets & CDOs, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, and the Trustee by an Officer of either Initial Purchaser, as the case may be
  - (v) any Hedge Counterparty shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered or sent by overnight courier service or by telecopy in legible form to the Hedge Counterparty addressed to it at the address specified in the relevant Hedge Agreement or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Issuer or the Trustee by the Hedge Counterparty;
  - (vi) the Rating Agencies shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to each Rating Agency addressed to it at Moody's Investors Service, Inc., 99 Church Street, New York, New York, 10007, Telecopy No. (212) 553-4170, [cdomonitoring@moodys.com](mailto:cdomonitoring@moodys.com), Attention: CBO/CLO Monitoring and Standard & Poor's, 55 Water Street, 41<sup>st</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10041-0003, telecopy no. (212) 438-2664, Attention: Asset Backed-CBO/CLO Surveillance and each Monthly Report and Valuation Report, together with the Excel Default Model Input File in each case, shall also be sent to S&P electronically to [CDO\\_Surveillance@standardandpoors.com](mailto:CDO_Surveillance@standardandpoors.com) (**provided** that the request for rating confirmation pursuant to Section 7.19(e) shall be addressed to [CDOEffectiveDatePortfolios@standardandpoors.com](mailto:CDOEffectiveDatePortfolios@standardandpoors.com)) ; or
  - (vii) the Administrator shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by facsimile in legible form, addressed to c/o Maples Finance Limited, P.O. Box 1093GT, Boundary Hall, Cricket Square, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, telecopy no. (345) 945-7100, Attention: The Directors—Stratford CLO Ltd.
- (b) If any provision in this Indenture calls for any notice or document to be delivered simultaneously to the Trustee and any other Person, the Trustee's receipt of the



notice or document shall entitle the Trustee to assume that the notice or document was delivered to the other Person unless otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture.

- (c) Any Holder or beneficial owner of any Class A-1 Notes or Class A-2 Notes may elect to acquire bond insurance, a surety bond, a credit default swap or similar credit enhancement supporting the payment of principal and/or interest on such Class A-1 Notes or Class A-2 Notes, as applicable, on terms and conditions acceptable to such Holder or beneficial owner and at the sole expense of such Holder or beneficial owner. On or after any such acquisition, such Holder or beneficial owner may deliver notice (and if from a beneficial owner, any such notice shall include certification that such owner is a beneficial owner of the Class A-1 Notes or Class A-2 Notes, as applicable) to the Trustee in substantially the form of Exhibit J specifying the name and contact information of the insurer, surety, credit protection seller or enhancer of such Class A-1 Notes or Class A-2 Notes, as applicable (each, an "**Insurer**"). After receipt of any such notice (in the form of Exhibit J) by the Trustee, the Trustee shall copy the related Insurer on all notices, reports or other documents delivered to the Noteholders.

#### **14.4 Notices to Noteholders and the Preference Shares Paying Agent; Waiver**

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, where this Indenture provides for notice to the Noteholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) of any event,

- (a) the notice shall be sufficiently given to the Noteholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, each Noteholder affected by the event or the Preference Shares Paying Agent, at the address of the Holder as it appears in the Indenture Register or at the address of the Preference Shares Paying Agent supplied by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Trustee, as applicable, not earlier than the earliest date and not later than the latest date, prescribed for the giving of the notice; and
- (b) the notice shall be in the English language.

Notices shall be deemed to have been given on the date of their mailing.

Notwithstanding clause (a), a Noteholder or the Preference Shares Paying Agent may give the Trustee a written notice that it is requesting that notices to it be given by facsimile transmissions and stating the telecopy number for the transmission. Thereafter, the Trustee shall give notices to the Holder or the Preference Shares Paying Agent by facsimile transmission. If the notice also requests that notices be given by mail, then the notice shall also be given by mail in accordance with clause (a) above, as the case may be.

The Trustee shall deliver to the Noteholders any information in its possession or notice received by it and relating to this Indenture requested to be so delivered by at least 10% (by Aggregate Outstanding Amount) of the Holders of any Class of Notes at the expense of the Issuer. The Trustee shall deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent any information in its possession or notice received by it, and relating to the Indenture that the Preference Shares Paying Agent certifies was requested to be so delivered by at least 10% (by Aggregate Outstanding Amount) of the Holders of the Preference Shares at the expense of the Issuer.

Neither the failure to mail any notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Noteholder or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall affect the sufficiency of the notice with respect to other Noteholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent. If it is impracticable to give the notice by mail of any event to Noteholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent when the notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this Indenture because of the suspension of regular mail service as a result of a strike, work stoppage or similar activity or because of any other cause, then the notification to Noteholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent as shall be made with the approval of the Trustee shall be a sufficient notification to the Holders for every purpose under this Indenture.

Where this Indenture provides for notice in any manner, the notice may be waived in writing by any Person entitled to receive the notice, either before or after the event, and the waiver shall be the equivalent of the notice. Waivers of notice by Noteholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be filed with the Trustee but the filing shall not be a condition precedent to the validity of any action taken in reliance on the waiver.

So long as any Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, all notices to Noteholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Preference Shares) shall also be given to the Irish Paying Agent for publication in the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

The Issuer shall (and authorizes the Trustee to) deliver to the Initial Purchasers all periodic reports, notices, demands, and other written information delivered or received by the Issuer, the Servicer, trustees, paying agents, accountants, or other Persons pursuant to this Indenture and other operative documentation relating to the Notes requested by the Initial Purchasers (collectively, the "**Transaction Reports**") and the Issuer consents to the Initial Purchasers providing Transaction Reports received by it to current and prospective investors in the Notes (including by means of electronic transmissions or posting the Transaction Reports on internet sites maintained by the Initial Purchasers or any of their Affiliates).

#### **14.5 Effect of Headings and Table of Contents**

The Section headings in this Indenture and the Table of Contents are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction of this Indenture.

#### **14.6 Successors and Assigns**

All covenants and agreements in this Indenture by the Co-Issuers shall bind their respective successors and assigns, whether so expressed or not.

#### **14.7 Separability**

Except to the extent prohibited by applicable law, in case any provision in this Indenture, in the Notes shall be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the validity, legality, and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

#### **14.8 Benefits of Indenture**

Nothing in this Indenture or in the Notes, expressed or implied, shall give to any Person, other than the parties hereto and their successors under this Indenture, the Servicer, the Noteholders, the Holders of Preference Shares or the Preference Shares Paying Agent any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under this Indenture.

#### **14.9 Governing Law**

This Indenture and each Note shall be construed in accordance with, and this Indenture and each Note and all matters arising out of or relating in any way whatsoever (whether in contract, tort or otherwise) to this Indenture and each Note shall be governed by, the law of the State of New York.

#### **14.10 Submission to Jurisdiction**

The Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or federal court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Securities or this Indenture, and the Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably agree that all claims in respect of the action or proceeding may be heard and determined in the New York State or federal court. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably waive, to the fullest extent that they may legally do so, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of the action or proceeding. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee irrevocably consent to the service of all process in any action or proceeding by the mailing or delivery of copies of the process to the Co-Issuers at the office of State Street Bank and Trust Company (to the attention of State Street Bank and Trust Company, Trustee for Stratford CLO Ltd.) set out in Section 7.2. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee agree that a final judgment in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

#### **14.11 Counterparts**

This Indenture may be executed in any number of copies, and by the different parties on the same or separate counterparts, each of which shall be considered to be an original instrument.

#### **14.12 Acts of Issuer**

Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or performed by the Issuer shall be effective if given or performed by the Issuer or by the Servicer on the Issuer's behalf.

#### **14.13 Liability of Co-Issuers**

Notwithstanding any other terms of this Indenture, the Notes or any other agreement entered into by either of the Co-Issuers or otherwise, neither of the Co-Issuers shall have any liability whatsoever to the other of the Co-Issuers under this Indenture, the Notes, any other agreement, or otherwise. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, neither of the Co-Issuers may take any action to enforce, or bring any action or proceeding, in respect of this Indenture, the Notes, any other agreement, or otherwise against the other of the Co-Issuers. In particular, neither of the Co-Issuers may petition or take any other steps for the winding up or bankruptcy of the other of the Co-Issuers and neither of the Co-Issuers shall have any claim with respect to any assets of the other of the Co-Issuers.

#### **14.14 Indemnity of Co-Issuer**

The Issuer agrees to indemnify the Co-Issuer for any payments that may become due from the Co-Issuer under Section 11 with respect to any Notes issued under this Indenture and any administrative, legal, or other costs incurred by the Co-Issuer in connection with those payments.

### **15. ASSIGNMENT OF SERVICING AGREEMENT; HEDGE AGREEMENTS**

#### **15.1 Assignment of Servicing Agreement; Amendment of Servicing Agreement**

- (a) The Issuer, in furtherance of the covenants of this Indenture and as security for the Notes and amounts payable to the Secured Parties under this Indenture and the performance and observance of the provisions of this Indenture, acknowledges that its Grant pursuant to the first Granting Clause includes all of the Issuer's interest in the Servicing Agreement, including:
  - (i) the right to give all notices, consents and releases under it,
  - (ii) the right to give all notices of termination pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and to take any legal action upon the breach of an obligation of

the Servicer under it, including the commencement, conduct and consummation of proceedings at law or in equity,

- (iii) the right to receive all notices, accountings, consents, releases and statements under it, and
- (iv) the right to do all other things whatsoever that the Issuer is or may be entitled to do under it.

Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, the Trustee may not exercise any of the rights in (i) through (iv) above or that may otherwise arise as a result of the Grant until the occurrence of an Event of Default under this Indenture and the authority shall terminate when the Event of Default is cured or waived.

- (b) The assignment made hereby is executed as security, and the execution and delivery hereby shall not in any way impair or diminish the obligations of the Issuer under the Servicing Agreement, nor shall any of the obligations contained in the Servicing Agreement be imposed on the Trustee.
- (c) Upon the retirement of the Notes and the release of the Collateral from the lien of this Indenture, this assignment, and all rights in this Indenture assigned to the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders shall cease and terminate and all the interest of the Trustee in the Servicing Agreement shall revert to the Issuer and no further instrument or act shall be necessary to evidence the termination and reversion.
- (d) The Issuer represents that the Issuer has not executed any other assignment of the Servicing Agreement.
- (e) The Issuer agrees that this assignment is irrevocable, and that it shall not take any action that is inconsistent with this assignment or make any other assignment inconsistent herewith. The Issuer shall, from time to time upon the request of the Trustee, execute all instruments of further assurance and all such supplemental instruments with respect to this assignment as the Trustee may reasonably request.
- (f) The Issuer agrees to obtain the agreement and consent of the Servicer in the Servicing Agreement to the following:
  - (i) the Servicer consents to this collateral assignment and agrees to perform any provisions of this Indenture made expressly applicable to the Servicer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement.
  - (ii) the Servicer acknowledges that the Issuer is collaterally assigning all of its interest in the Servicing Agreement to the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties and the Servicer agrees that all of the representations,

covenants and agreements made by the Servicer in the Servicing Agreement are also for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

- (iii) the Servicer shall deliver to the Trustee duplicate original copies of all notices, statements, communications and instruments delivered or required to be delivered to the Issuer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement (other than any of them delivered to the Issuer by the Trustee or the Collateral Administrator).
- (iv) the procedure for amending the Servicing Agreement as set forth in Section 15.1(h) below.
- (v) except as otherwise provided in this Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, subject to the resignation rights of the Servicer pursuant to Section 12 of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer shall continue to serve as Servicer under the Servicing Agreement notwithstanding that the Servicer shall not have received amounts due it under the Servicing Agreement because sufficient funds were not then available under this Indenture to pay the amounts pursuant to the Priority of Payments. The Servicer agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer for the nonpayment of the fees or other amounts payable by the Administrative Agent to the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement until the payment in full of all Notes issued under this Indenture and the payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent of all amounts payable with respect to the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the expiration of a period equal to the greater of (A) the applicable preference period plus one day or (B) one year and one day following the payment. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Servicer may commence any legal action that is not a bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation or similar proceeding against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any of their properties and may take any action it deems appropriate at any time in any bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation or similar proceeding and any other Proceeding voluntarily commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or involuntarily commenced against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by anyone other than the Servicer or any Affiliate of the Servicer.
- (vi) the Servicer irrevocably submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or federal court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Notes, the Preference Shares or this Indenture, and the Servicer irrevocably agrees that all claims in respect of the action or proceeding may be heard and determined in the New York State or federal court. The Servicer irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent it may legally do so, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of the action or proceeding. The Servicer irrevocably consents to the service of all process in any action or proceeding by the mailing or delivery of copies

of the process to it the address provided for in Section 14.3. The Servicer agrees that a final and non-appealable judgment by a court of competent jurisdiction in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

- (g) Following the resignation or removal of the Servicer, the Issuer shall use its best efforts to appoint a successor Servicer, and the Issuer, the Trustee, and the resigning or removed Servicer shall take any action consistent with the Servicing Agreement and this Indenture applicable to the Servicer, necessary to effectuate any such succession.
- (h) (i) The Issuer may, at the request of the Servicer, enter into an amendment or modification of the Servicing Agreement from time to time, without the consent of the Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not the interests of the Holders of the Securities are adversely affected thereby; **provided** that, with respect to any such amendment or modification, (a) a Rating Condition is satisfied and (b) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares have not objected in writing to such amendment or modification prior to the relevant Objection Cut-Off Date (as defined below).
- (ii) If at any time the Servicer desires to amend or modify the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer shall notify the Issuer and the Trustee, providing details of such proposed amendment or modification. Not later than five Business Days after receipt of such notice, the Trustee shall mail such notice to (a) each Noteholder at such Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as applicable, (b) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and (c) to each Rating Agency. If any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes or any Holder of the Preference Shares notifies, by delivering a written notice to the Trustee within 35 days after the Trustee has mailed such notice, that it objects to such proposed amendment or modification, the Trustee shall, within two Business Days after receiving such notice of objection, mail a notice of the receipt of such objection to the Issuer, the Servicer and other Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and other Holders of the Preference Shares. Each Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes and each Holder of the Preference Shares that also wishes to object to such amendment or modification must, by delivering a written notice, so notify the Trustee within seven Business Days after the Trustee has mailed such notice of the receipt of such objection (the last day of such seven Business Day period, the **Objection Cut-Off Date**). If a Majority of either the Controlling Class of Notes or the Preference Shares notifies the Trustee in writing on or before the Objection Cut-Off Date that they object



to the proposed amendment or modification to the Servicing Agreement, such amendment or modification shall not be made.

## 15.2 Hedge Agreements

- (a) At any time and from time to time on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer and with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, shall enter into the Hedge Agreements and shall assign its rights (but none of its obligations) under the Hedge Agreements to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture. The Trustee shall, on behalf of the Issuer and in accordance with the Valuation Report, pay amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements on any Payment Date in accordance with Section 11.1. The Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement the payments from which are subject to withholding tax unless the Issuer is not required to make additional payments to the Hedge Counterparty on account of amounts withheld and the Hedge Counterparty is required to make additional payments so that the net amount received by the Issuer after satisfaction of such tax is the amount due to the Issuer before the imposition of withholding tax. The Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement the entry into, performance or termination of which would subject the Issuer to net income tax in any jurisdiction outside of the Issuer's jurisdiction of incorporation.
- (b) If at any time a Hedge Counterparty does not have the Required Rating, then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required to post collateral, obtain a guarantor, replace itself with a substitute Hedge Counterparty or take such other measures as specified in the applicable Hedge Agreement that has been entered into according to Section 15.2(i) below.
- (c) Whenever the Issuer enters into a Hedge Agreement, the Hedge Counterparty thereto shall comply with the then currently applicable rating criteria of each Rating Agency from time to time (the **Required Rating**).
- (d) Any payments required to be made under the Hedge Agreements shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Subordinated Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments shall be subordinate to interest and principal payments on the Notes and any other payments required to be made by the Issuer under the Hedge Agreements, but senior to distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares.
- (e) Except as provided in paragraph (i) of this Section 15.2, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall, promptly following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) (but no later than 60 days after the early termination), and to the extent possible through application of Hedge Termination Receipts, enter into a Replacement Hedge, unless, in the exercise of the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment, to do so would not be in the best interest of the Issuer and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating



Agency is satisfied with respect to the non-entry into the a Replacement Hedge. In addition, a Replacement Hedge may not be entered into unless the Issuer provides the Rating Agencies with at least seven Business Days' prior written notice of its intention to enter into the agreement, together with its form and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the Replacement Hedge. The Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than a termination resulting from the bankruptcy, insolvency, or similar event with respect to the Hedge Counterparty) to become effective simultaneously with its entering into a Replacement Hedge. To the extent that (i) the Servicer determines not to replace the Hedge Agreement and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the determination or (ii) termination is occurring on a Redemption Date, the Hedge Termination Receipts shall become part of Principal Proceeds and be distributed in accordance with Section 11.1 on the next following Payment Date (or on the Redemption Date, if the Notes are redeemed on the Redemption Date).

- (f) Notwithstanding Section 15.2(f), the applicable requirements of Section 15.2(f) shall not have to be met if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is otherwise satisfied with respect thereto.
- (g) The notional amounts of the Hedge Agreements outstanding at any time may be reduced or increased from time to time, by the Issuer, and the Hedge Agreements may be amended, modified or terminated in accordance with the Hedge Agreements if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the reduction, increase, amendment, modification or termination, as the case may be.
- (h) Each Hedge Agreement may be terminated pursuant to its terms by the Hedge Counterparty upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes, (but only after the applicable notice of redemption may no longer be withdrawn pursuant to Section 9.03) an acceleration of maturity of the Notes followed by the liquidation of any or all of the Collateral after an Event of Default or the entry into certain amendments to the Indenture without the consent of the Hedge Counterparty. The Hedge Agreement will not be permitted to be terminated by the Issuer as the result of a Default or Event of Default unless any acceleration of maturity of the Notes resulting from the Event of Default is no longer permitted to be rescinded pursuant to this Indenture.
- (i) Except for Hedge Agreements entered into on or before the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, we have set our hands as of the day and year first written above.

Executed as a Deed by

**STRATFORD CLO LTD.,**  
as Issuer

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

Witness: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name:  
Occupation:  
Address:

**STRATFORD CLO LLC,**  
as Co-Issuer

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

**STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY,**  
as Trustee and as Custodian

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

**SCHEDULE 1**

**List of Collateral Obligations**

## Stratford CLO, LTD.

## Schedule 1

Issuer	Asset	Commitment	Spread	Maturity	Moody's DPR	Moody's Obligation Rating	S&P Rating
401 North Wabash Venture LLC	Loan	3,000,000	3.75%	6/7/2008	Ba3	Ba3	B
Acquireco LLC (Telesat)	Delayed Draw Term Loan B	236,220	3.00%	10/9/2014	B2	B1	B+
Acquireco LLC (Telesat)	Term Loan B	2,763,780	3.00%	10/9/2014	B2	B1	B+
Acument Global Technologies, Inc. (fka TFS Acquisition)	Term Loan	990,000	3.50%	8/11/2013	B2	B2	B+
Advanced Lighting Technologies, Inc.	Deferred Draw Term Loan (First Lien)	272,727	2.75%	6/1/2013	B2	B1	B
Advanced Lighting Technologies, Inc.	Second Lien Term Loan Note	1,000,000	6.00%	6/1/2014	B2	Caa1	B
Advanced Lighting Technologies, Inc.	Term Loan (First Lien)	1,221,136	2.75%	6/1/2013	B2	B1	B
Affinia Group Inc.	Tranche B Term Loan	951,885	3.00%	11/30/2011	B2	Ba3	B
AIMCO Properties, L.P.	400MM Term Loan	3,166,667	1.50%	3/22/2011	Baa3	Baa3	BB+
Alliance Imaging, Inc.	Tranche C1 Term Loan	899,531	2.50%	12/29/2011	B1	Ba3	B+
Alon USA Energy, Inc.	Edgington Facility	109,722	2.25%	6/22/2013	B2	B1	B+
Alon USA Energy, Inc.	Paramount Facility	877,778	2.25%	6/22/2013	B2	B1	B+
American Achievement Corp.	Tranche B Term Loan	3,362,008	2.25%	3/25/2011	B2	Ba2	B
American Airlines, Inc.	Term 2 Advance	3,482,322	2.00%	12/17/2010	B2	Ba3	B
Aramark Canada Ltd.	Canadian Term Loan	985,038	2.00%	1/26/2014	B1	Ba3	B+
Aramark Corporation	LC Facility Letter of Credit	260,091	2.00%	1/26/2014	B1	Ba3	B+
Aramark Corporation	U.S. Term Loan	3,639,114	2.00%	1/26/2014	B1	Ba3	B+
Arrowhead General Insurance Agency, Inc.	First Lien Term Loan	5,975,526	3.00%	8/8/2012	B2	B2	B
Astoria Generating Company Acquisitions, LLC	First Lien Term Loan B	939,757	2.00%	2/23/2013	B1	B1	B+
AWAS Capital, Inc.	Loan (First Lien)	2,400,495	1.75%	3/15/2013	B2	B2	B+
BakerCorp.	Tranche C Term Loan	1,995,000	2.25%	5/8/2014	B2	B1	B
Berry Plastics Holding Corporation	Term C Loan	497,500	2.00%	4/3/2015	B3	Ba3	B
Berry Plastics Holding Corporation	Term C Loan	1,492,500	2.00%	4/3/2015	B3	Ba3	B
Big West Oil, LLC	Delayed Advance Loan	2,200,000	2.25%	5/15/2014	B1	B1	B+
Big West Oil, LLC	Initial Advance Loan	1,790,000	2.25%	5/15/2014	B1	B1	B+
BioTech Research Labs/Philosophy Merger Sub, Inc	Term Loan (First Lien)	2,979,200	2.00%	3/16/2014	B2	B1	B
Birds Eye Foods, Inc.	Tranche B Term Loan	3,446,667	1.75%	3/22/2013	B1	B1	B+
Blockbuster Inc.	Tranche B Term Loan	1,235,147	4.25%	8/20/2011	Caa1	B3	B
Bresnan Communications, LLC	Additional Term Loan B (First Lien)	2,500,000	2.00%	6/30/2013	B2	B2	B+
Brickman Group Holdings, Inc.	Tranche B Term Loan	1,487,513	2.00%	1/23/2014	B2	Ba3	B+
Burlington Coat Factory Warehouse Corporation	Term Loan	6,909,414	2.25%	5/28/2013	B2	B2	B
Calpine Corporation	First Priority Term Loan	12,945,000	2.25%	3/29/2009	B1	B1	B+
Caritor, Inc.	Closing Date Term Loan	10,206,977	2.25%	6/4/2013	B1	B1	BB-
Caritor, Inc.	Synthetic LC Loan	767,442	2.25%	6/4/2013	B1	B1	BB-
Celanese US Holdings LLC	Term Loan	5,472,500	1.75%	4/2/2014	Ba3	Ba3	BB-
Cequel Communications, LLC (aka Cebridge)	2nd Lien Tr A TL (Cash Pay)	1,000,000	4.50%	5/5/2014	B2	Caa1	B+
Cequel Communications, LLC (aka Cebridge)	Term Loan	6,965,000	2.00%	11/5/2013	B2	B1	B+
CHG Companies Inc. / CHG Medical Staffing Inc.	First Lien Term Loan B	3,168,020	2.50%	12/20/2012	B1	Ba3	B
CHG Companies Inc. / CHG Medical Staffing Inc.	Second Lien Term Loan	2,000,000	6.00%	12/20/2013	B1	B3	B
CHG Companies Inc. / CHG Medical Staffing Inc.	Synthetic LOC Loan (First Lien)	800,000	2.50%	12/20/2012	B1	Ba3	B
Chiquita Brands L.L.C.	Term C Loan	1,000,000	3.00%	6/28/2012	B3	B1	B-
Clarke American Corp.	Tranche B Term Loan	1,000,000	2.50%	6/30/2014	B2	B1	B+
CNOVA 2007-2A	Floating - 10/2021 - C - 19964QAD8	2,500,000	2.25%	10/15/2021	A2	A2	A
CNOVA 2007-2A	Floating - 10/2021 - D - 19964QAE6	1,500,000	4.50%	10/15/2021	Baa2	Baa2	BBB
Compass Minerals Group, Inc.	Term Loan	786,496	1.50%	12/22/2012	Ba3	Ba2	BB-
Conseco, Inc.	New Term Loan	5,939,963	2.00%	10/10/2013	Ba3	Ba3	B+
Consolidated Communications, Inc.	New Term D Loan	2,688,125	1.75%	10/14/2011	B1	Ba3	BB-
Corel Corporation/Corel US Holdings, LLC	Term Loan	2,940,300	4.00%	5/2/2012	B3	B3	B
Crescent Resources, LLC	Term Loan	2,000,000	3.00%	9/7/2012	Ba2	Ba2	BB
Crickit Communications, Inc. (aka Leap Wireless)	Revolver	1,000,000	2.00%	6/16/2011	B2	Ba2	B-
Crickit Communications, Inc. (aka Leap Wireless)	Term B Loan	7,924,812	2.25%	6/16/2013	B2	Ba2	B-
Custom Building Products, Inc.	Term Loan (First Lien)	1,652,244	2.25%	10/20/2011	B1	B1	B
CW Media Holdings Inc	Tranche B Term Loan	5,000,000	3.25%	2/15/2015	B1	Ba1	B
D&E Communications, Inc.	Term Loan B	2,924,839	1.75%	12/31/2011	Ba3	Ba2	BB-
Delphi Corporation	Tranche B Loan	2,000,000	2.25%	12/31/2007	Ba1	Ba1	BB-
Delta Air Lines, Inc.	Second Lien Term Loan	3,000,000	3.25%	4/30/2014	B2	B2	B
Dex Media East LLC	New Tranche B Term Loan	398,920	1.50%	5/8/2009	B1	Ba1	BB-
Discovery Communications Holding, LLC	Term B Loan	6,982,500	2.00%	5/14/2014	Ba2	B1	BB-
Dole Food Company, Inc.	Credit-Linked Deposit	94,306	2.00%	4/12/2013	B2	Ba3	B
Dole Food Company, Inc.	Tranche B Term Loan	209,006	2.00%	4/12/2013	B2	Ba3	B
DS Waters of America, Inc.	Term Loan	1,985,000	2.25%	10/27/2012	B3	Ba3	B-
EL AD IDB Las Vegas LLC	Tranche A1	2,000,000	2.75%	8/10/2008	B3	B3	B
Emerson Reinsurance Ltd.	Series A Loan	3,900,000	1.75%	12/15/2011	A2	A2	A-
Emerson Reinsurance Ltd.	Series B Loan	1,500,000	3.00%	12/15/2011	Baa3	Baa3	BB+
Emerson Reinsurance Ltd.	Series C Loan	600,000	5.25%	12/15/2011	Ba2	Ba2	BB
Ferro Corporation	Term Loan	1,584,830	2.00%	6/6/2012	B1	B1	B+
Flag Luxury Properties Holdings, LLC	First Lien Facility	1,363,541	4.25%	3/21/2011	B2	B1	B
FleetCor Technologies Operating Company, LLC	Tranche 1 Term Loan	2,487,500	2.25%	4/30/2013	B1	Ba3	B+
FleetCor Technologies Operating Company, LLC	Tranche 2 Term Loan	500,000	2.25%	4/30/2013	B1	Ba3	B+
Foamex L.P.	Loan (First Lien)	1,951,588	2.25%	2/12/2013	B2	B1	B
Fontainebleau Las Vegas, LLC	Delayed Draw Term Loan	2,000,000	3.25%	6/6/2014	B2	B1	B
Fontainebleau Las Vegas, LLC	Initial Term Loan	4,000,000	3.25%	6/6/2014	B2	B1	B
Ford Motor Company	Term Loan	7,917,613	3.00%	12/16/2013	B3	Ba3	B+
Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Inc.	8.375% - 04/2017 - 35671DAS4	1,000,000	8.38%	4/1/2017	Ba3	Ba3	BB+
Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Inc.	Floating - 04/2015 - 35671DAT2	1,000,000	3.25%	4/1/2015	Ba3	Ba3	BB+
Freescale Semiconductor, Inc.	Term Loan	1,985,000	1.75%	11/29/2013	Ba3	Baa3	B+
Gambro Holding AB	Facility B2	1,329,356	2.50%	6/5/2014	B2	B3	B-
Gambro Holding AB	Facility C2	1,329,356	3.00%	6/5/2015	B2	B3	B-
Generac Acquisition Corp.	First Lien Term Loan	990,000	2.50%	11/10/2013	B2	B1	B
Generac Acquisition Corp.	Second Lien Term Loan	2,500,000	6.00%	5/10/2014	B2	Caa1	B
General Motors Corporation	Secured Term Loan	1,985,000	2.38%	11/29/2013	B3	Ba3	B+
Genoa Healthcare Group, LLC	Revolver	1,000,000	3.00%	8/10/2010	B2	Ba3	B
Georgia Gulf Corp.	Term Loan	611,787	2.50%	10/3/2013	B1	Ba2	B
Georgia-Pacific LLC	Term B Loan	1,965,000	1.75%	12/20/2012	Ba3	Ba2	BB-
Ginn LA Conduit Lender, Inc.	First Lien Tranche A Credit-Linked Deposit	1,574,127	3.50%	6/8/2011	Caa2	Caa1	CCC+
Ginn LA Conduit Lender, Inc.	First Lien Tranche B Term Loan	3,393,232	3.50%	6/8/2011	Caa2	Caa1	CCC+
Graceway Pharmaceuticals, LLC	Term B Loan (First Lien)	10,816,667	2.75%	5/3/2012	B2	Ba3	B+
Graham Packaging Company, L.P.	New Term Loan	2,000,000	2.25%	10/7/2011	B2	B1	B
Gray Television, Inc.	Term Loan B - DD	4,000,000	1.50%	12/31/2014	Ba3	Ba3	B
Greenwood Racing Inc.	Term Loan	3,970,000	2.25%	11/28/2011	B2	B2	B+
Hanesbrands Inc.	Term B Loan	2,181,250	1.75%	9/5/2013	Ba3	Ba2	B+
Hargray Acquisition Co.,/DPC Acquisition LLC/HCP Acquisition	Second Lien Term Loan	1,000,000	5.50%	1/29/2015	B2	Caa1	B
Hawker Beechcraft Acquisition Company LLC	LC Facility Deposit	468,085	2.00%	3/26/2014	B2	Ba3	B+
Hawker Beechcraft Acquisition Company LLC	Term Loan	5,504,255	2.00%	3/26/2014	B2	Ba3	B+
HCA Inc.	Tranche B Term Loan	2,917,569	2.25%	11/18/2013	B2	Ba3	B+
Health Management Associates, Inc	Term B Loan	2,487,500	1.75%	2/28/2014	Ba3	Ba2	B+
Healthcare Partners, LLC	New Term Loan	928,571	1.75%	10/31/2013	B1	Ba3	BB
HealthSouth Corporation	Term Loan	293,331	2.50%	3/10/2013	B3	B2	B
Helix Energy Solutions Group, Inc.	Term Loan	9,880,285	2.00%	7/1/2013	B2	B1	BB-
HUB International Limited	Delay Draw Term Loan	183,263	2.50%	6/13/2014	B3	B2	B
HUB International Limited	Initial Term Loan	816,737	2.50%	6/13/2014	B3	B2	B
IAP Worldwide Services, Inc.	Term Loan (First-Lien)	989,924	6.25%	12/30/2012	B3	B2	CCC-
IM US Holdings, LLC (Inverness Medical)	Term Loan (Second Lien)	1,000,000	4.25%	6/26/2015	B2	Caa1	B+

Issuer	Asset	Commitment	Spread	Maturity	Moody's DPR	Moody's Obligation Rating	S&P Rating
Insight Midwest Holdings, LLC	B Term Loan	2,000,000	1.75%	4/7/2014	B1	Ba3	B+
Integra Telecom Holdings, Inc.	Term Loan	4,000,000	4.25%	8/31/2013	B3	Ba3	B-
Interstate Fibernet, Inc.	Term Loan (First Lien)	2,000,000	4.00%	7/31/2013	B3	B2	B-
Iowa Telecommunications Services, Inc.	Tranche B	1,500,000	1.75%	11/23/2011	Ba3	Ba3	BB-
Jarden Corporation	Term Loan B1	1,284,073	1.75%	1/24/2012	B1	Ba3	B+
Kenan Advantage Group, Inc.	Incremental Term Loan	982,508	3.00%	12/16/2011	B3	B3	B+
KKR 2007 - AA	Floating - 10/2017 - C - 482486AE7	4,000,000	2.65%	10/31/2017	A2	A2	A
Knology, Inc.	Term Loan	4,987,500	2.25%	6/30/2012	B2	B2	B
Kuilima Resort Company (Turtle Bay)	First Lien Term Loan	9,138,805	2.75%	9/30/2010	B2	B1	B-
Kyle Acquisition Group, LLC	Facility B	4,386,758	3.50%	7/20/2008	Ba3	Ba3	BB
Kyle Acquisition Group, LLC	Facility C	613,242	3.50%	7/20/2010	Ba3	Ba3	BB
LNR Property Corporation	Initial Tranche B Term Loan	5,000,000	2.75%	7/12/2011	B2	B2	B+
LPL Holdings, Inc.	Tranche D Term Loan	3,813,729	2.00%	6/28/2013	B1	B1	B
Macerich Partnership, L.P., The	Term Loan	666,667	1.50%	4/26/2010	Ba1	Ba1	BBB-
Mach Gen, LLC	Revolver	2,000,000	2.25%	2/22/2012	B2	B2	B
Mach Gen, LLC	Synthetic L/C Loan (First Lien)	374,147	2.00%	2/22/2013	B2	B2	B
Mach Gen, LLC	Term B Loan (First Lien)	3,589,624	2.00%	2/22/2014	B2	B2	B
Maritime Telecommunications Network, Inc.	Term Loan (First Lien)	1,461,154	2.75%	5/11/2012	B2	B2	B
Matrix Acquisition Corp. (MacDermid, Incorporated)	Tranche B Term Loan	1,990,000	2.00%	4/12/2014	B2	B1	B
Maxum Petroleum, Inc. (f/k/a Global Petroleum, Inc.)	Term Loan	987,500	4.50%	9/18/2013	B2	B2	B
MCC Iowa LLC (Mediacom Broadband Group)	Tranche A Term Loan	504,167	1.50%	3/31/2010	B1	Ba3	BB-
Mediacom Illinois, LLC (fka Mediacom Communications, LLC)	Tranche C Term Loan	5,071,978	1.75%	1/31/2015	B1	Ba3	BB-
Merrill Communications LLC	Loan (Second Lien)	1,000,000	6.50%	1/15/2013	B1	B3	B+
Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Inc.	Tranche B Term Loan	7,680,867	3.25%	4/8/2012	Ba3	Ba3	CCC+
Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Inc.	Tranche B-1 Term Loan	2,487,500	3.25%	4/8/2012	Ba3	Ba3	CCC+
MetroPCS Wireless, Inc.	New Tranche B Term Loan	8,910,000	2.25%	11/4/2013	B2	Ba3	B-
Mirant North America, LLC	Term Loan	2,058,185	1.75%	1/3/2013	B2	Ba3	B
MultiPlan, Inc.	Term B Loan	1,432,131	2.50%	4/12/2013	B2	B1	B+
MultiPlan, Inc.	Term C Loan	2,130,562	2.50%	4/12/2013	B2	B1	B+
NES Rentals Holdings, Inc.	Permanent Term Loan (Second-Lien)	3,000,000	6.75%	7/20/2013	B3	Caa1	B+
New Aster S.A.R.L. (Flint Group)	Term Loan B9 (USD)	4,000,000	2.25%	12/31/2012	Ba3	Ba3	B
NewPage Corporation	New Term Loan	2,861,882	2.25%	5/2/2011	B1	Ba2	B
Newpark Resources, Inc.	Facility	2,221,933	3.00%	8/18/2011	B1	B2	B+
Nortek, Inc.	Term Loan	992,327	2.25%	8/27/2011	Ba2	Ba2	B
Northwest Airlines, Inc.	Term Loan	10,207,000	2.00%	8/21/2013	B1	Ba3	B+
November 2005 Land Investors, LLC (North Las Vegas Consor	Loan (Second Lien)	1,100,000	7.00%	5/9/2012	B2	Caa1	BB-
NRG Energy, Inc.	Credit-Linked Deposit	1,867,232	1.75%	2/1/2013	Ba3	Ba1	B+
NRG Energy, Inc.	Term Loan	4,486,460	1.75%	2/1/2013	Ba3	Ba1	B+
NRG Holdings, Inc.	Term Loan	3,000,000	2.50%	6/8/2014	Ba3	B2	B+
Nuvox, Inc.	Tranche B Term Loan	997,500	3.25%	5/31/2014	B2	B2	B-
Onex Carestream Finance LP	Term Loan (First Lien)	10,000,000	2.00%	4/30/2013	B1	Ba2	B+
Orbitz Worldwide, Inc.	Term Loan	4,500,000	3.00%	7/25/2014	B2	B1	B
OSHKOSH TRUCK CORPORATION	Term B Loan	2,468,750	1.75%	12/6/2013	Ba3	Ba3	BB
OSI Restaurant Partners, LLC	Incremental Term Loan	5,014,201	2.25%	6/14/2014	B2	B1	B
OSI Restaurant Partners, LLC	Pre-Funded RC Loan	385,159	2.25%	6/14/2013	B2	B1	B
PBM Holdings, Inc.	Term Loan	945,556	2.50%	9/28/2012	B2	B1	B
Penton Media, Inc.	Loan (Second Lien)	2,000,000	5.00%	2/1/2014	B2	Caa1	B
Penton Media, Inc.	Term Loan (First Lien)	1,000,000	2.25%	2/1/2013	B2	B1	B
PGT Industries, Inc.	First Lien Tranche A-2 Term Loan	3,927,789	3.00%	2/14/2012	B2	B2	B
Pharmaceutical Holdings Corp.	Loan	3,900,000	3.25%	1/30/2012	B2	B2	B+
Physiotherapy Associates, Inc. / Benchmark Medical, Inc.	Term Loan	1,995,000	3.00%	6/28/2013	B2	B1	B
Physiotherapy Associates, Inc. / Benchmark Medical, Inc.	Term Loan (Second Lien)	1,000,000	6.50%	12/31/2013	B2	Caa1	B
Pinnacle Foods Finance LLC	Term Loan	7,980,000	2.75%	4/2/2014	B3	B2	B-
Polypore, Inc.	US\$ Term Loan	1,995,000	2.25%	7/3/2014	B3	Ba3	B-
Port Barre Investments, LLC, d/b/a Bobcat Gas Storage	Term B Loan	1,000,000	2.13%	9/8/2014	B2	B2	B
Prestige Brands, Inc.	Tranche B Loan	584,249	2.25%	4/6/2011	B1	Ba3	B+
RCN Corporation	Initial Term Loan	3,000,000	2.25%	4/25/2014	B1	B1	B-
ReAble Therapeutics Finance, LLC (Encore Medical)	Term Loan (New)	1,980,005	2.50%	11/4/2013	B3	B1	B
Realogy Corporation	Delayed Draw Term B Loan (Funded)	3,000,000	3.00%	10/10/2013	B3	Ba3	B+
Reliant Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	Delayed Draw Term Loan	833,023	3.25%	3/31/2012	B2	B2	B+
Reliant Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	Initial Term Loan	3,146,977	3.25%	3/31/2012	B2	B2	B+
Rental Service Corporation	Second Lien Initial Term Loan	5,178,164	3.50%	11/30/2013	B2	B3	B+
Rexair LLC	First Lien Term Loan	4,740,983	4.25%	6/30/2010	B1	B1	B
Rhodes Companies, LLC, The	First Lien Term Loan	3,646,528	3.50%	11/21/2010	B2	B2	B
Roofing Supply Group, LLC	First Lien Term Loan	990,000	4.00%	8/24/2013	B2	B1	B
Sabre Inc.	Initial Term Loan	6,802,653	2.00%	9/30/2014	B2	B1	B+
Sally Holdings LLC	Term B Loan	5,940,000	2.50%	11/18/2013	B2	B2	B
Secure Computing Corporation	Term Loan	1,244,444	3.25%	8/31/2013	B2	B2	B+
Select Medical Corporation	Tranche B Term Loan	975,000	2.00%	2/24/2012	B2	Ba2	B
Smurfit-Stone Container Enterprises, Inc.	Deposit Funded Commitment	378,430	-0.10%	11/1/2010	B2	Ba2	B
Smurfit-Stone Container Enterprises, Inc.	Tranche B	533,785	2.00%	11/1/2011	B2	Ba2	B
Smurfit-Stone Container Enterprises, Inc.	Tranche C	806,309	2.00%	11/1/2011	B2	Ba2	B
Solo Cup Company	Term B1 Loan	903,077	3.50%	2/27/2011	B3	B1	CCC+
Solutia Inc.	Dip Add-on Term Loan B	2,835,414	3.00%	3/31/2008	B2	B1	BB
Solvest, Ltd. (Dole)	Tranche C Term Loan	696,687	2.00%	4/12/2013	B2	Ba3	B
Spirit Aerosystems, Inc. (fka Mid-Western Aircraft Systems, Inc)	Term B Loan	6,823,929	1.75%	9/30/2013	Ba3	Ba3	BB
Spirit Finance Corporation	Loan	10,000,000	3.00%	8/1/2013	B1	B2	BB-
Sports Authority, Inc., The	Term Loan B	3,950,000	2.25%	5/3/2013	B2	B2	B
Standard Pacific Corp.	Term Loan B	1,800,000	1.75%	5/5/2013	Ba3	Ba3	BB
Stiefel Laboratories, Inc.	Delayed Draw Term Loan	1,290,409	2.25%	12/28/2013	B1	B1	B+
Stiefel Laboratories, Inc.	Initial Term Loan (First Lien)	1,687,091	2.25%	12/28/2013	B1	B1	B+
Stile U.S. Acquisition Corp. (aka Masonite)	US Term Loan	975,000	2.00%	4/6/2013	B2	Ba3	B+
Stratos Global Corporation/Stratos Funding LP	Term B Facility	1,237,500	2.75%	2/13/2012	B1	Ba2	B+
SunGard Data Systems Inc (Solar Capital Corp)	Term Loan B	2,481,250	2.00%	2/28/2014	B2	Ba3	B+
Sunshine Acquisition Limited (aka HIT Entertainment)	Term Facility	984,937	2.00%	3/20/2012	B1	Ba3	B
Supervalu Inc.	Term Loan B	1,970,000	1.50%	6/2/2012	Ba3	Ba3	BB-
Talecris Biotherapeutics Holdings Corp.	First Lien Term Loan	9,925,000	3.50%	12/6/2013	B2	B2	B+
Tamarack Resort LLC	Tranche A Credit-Linked Deposit	1,691,549	-0.10%	5/19/2011	B2	B2	B+
Tamarack Resort LLC	Tranche B Term Loan	2,499,264	3.25%	5/19/2011	B2	B2	B+
Targa Resources, Inc.	Synthetic L/C Loan	1,351,691	2.00%	10/31/2012	B1	Ba3	B
Targa Resources, Inc.	Term Loan	5,519,403	2.00%	10/31/2012	B1	Ba3	B
Time Warner Telecom Holdings Inc.	Term Loan B Loan	992,500	2.00%	1/7/2013	B2	Ba2	B
Total Safety U.S., Inc.	Tranche B Term Loan (First Lien)	1,985,000	3.00%	12/8/2012	B2	Ba3	B-
Totes Isotoner Corporation	First Lien Term Loan	995,000	2.50%	1/31/2013	B2	B2	B
Totes Isotoner Corporation	Loan (Second Lien)	2,000,000	6.00%	1/31/2014	B2	Caa1	B
Travelport LLC (F/K/A Travelport Inc.)	Delayed Draw Term Loan	5,596,000	2.25%	8/23/2013	B2	Ba3	B
Travelport LLC (F/K/A Travelport Inc.)	Original Post-First Amendment and Restate	420,459	2.25%	8/23/2013	B2	Ba3	B
Travelport LLC (F/K/A Travelport Inc.)	Tranche B Dollar Term Loan	3,737,129	2.25%	8/23/2013	B2	Ba3	B
Tribune Company	Initial Tranche B Advance	7,581,000	3.00%	5/19/2014	B1	Ba2	B
Tribune Company	Tranche X Advance	5,040,000	2.50%	5/18/2009	B1	Ba2	B
Triumph Healthcare Second Holdings, LLC	Term Loan (First Lien)	997,484	3.00%	7/28/2013	B2	B2	B
Triumph Healthcare Second Holdings, LLC	Term Loan (Second Lien)	1,000,000	8.00%	7/28/2014	B2	Caa1	B
TRU 2005 RE Holding Co. I, LLC	Loan	6,000,000	3.00%	12/9/2008	B2	B2	B
Trump Entertainment Resorts Holdings, L.P.	Term C-1 Facility	730,344	2.50%	5/20/2012	B3	Ba3	B
Trump Entertainment Resorts Holdings, L.P.	Term C-2 Facility	730,344	2.50%	5/20/2012	B3	Ba3	B
Trussway Industries, Inc.	Revolver	1,000,000	2.75%	5/31/2009	B2	B1	B-
Trussway Industries, Inc.	Term Loan	987,137	3.50%	5/31/2009	B2	B3	B-
Tube City IMS Corporation	Credit-Linked Deposit	108,108	2.25%	1/25/2014	B1	Ba3	B+

Issuer	Asset	Commitment	Spread	Maturity	Moody's DPR	Moody's Obligation Rating	S&P Rating
Tube City IMS Corporation	First Lien Term Loan	887,432	2.25%	1/25/2014	B1	Ba3	B+
United Components, Inc.	Tranche D Term Loan	493,182	2.00%	6/30/2012	B3	Ba3	B
United Rentals, Inc.	Initial Term Loan	488,782	2.00%	2/14/2011	B2	Ba2	B+
United Rentals, Inc.	Tranche B Credit-Linked Deposit	223,629	2.25%	2/14/2011	B2	Ba2	B+
Univision Communications Inc.	Delayed Draw Term Loan	285,235	2.25%	9/29/2014	B1	Ba3	B
Univision Communications Inc.	Initial Term Loan	11,597,315	2.25%	9/29/2014	B1	Ba3	B
UPC Financing Partnership	N Facility	4,000,000	1.75%	12/31/2014	Ba3	Ba3	B
US Airways Group, Inc.	Loan	2,000,000	2.50%	3/23/2014	B3	B2	B-
Valleycrest Companies LLC (VCC Holdco II Inc.)	New Term Loan	4,975,000	2.00%	10/4/2013	B1	B1	B+
Verint Systems Inc.	Term Loan	4,692,308	2.75%	5/27/2014	B3	B3	B
Virgin Media Investment Holdings Limited (fka NTL)	B4 Facility	2,500,000	2.00%	9/3/2012	Ba3	Ba2	B
VML US Finance LLC (aka Venetian Macau)	New Project Term Loan	500,000	2.25%	5/25/2013	B1	B1	BB-
VML US Finance LLC (aka Venetian Macau)	Term B Delayed Draw Project Loan	1,955,376	2.25%	5/25/2012	B1	B1	BB-
VML US Finance LLC (aka Venetian Macau)	Term B Funded Project Loan	1,644,624	2.25%	5/25/2013	B1	B1	BB-
Vought Aircraft Industries, Inc.	Term Loan	649,412	2.50%	12/22/2011	B2	Ba2	B-
WAICCS Las Vegas 3 LLC	Loan (First Lien)	4,000,000	3.50%	8/1/2008	B3	B1	B
WAICCS Las Vegas 3 LLC	Loan (Second Lien)	1,500,000	9.00%	8/1/2008	B3	Caa2	B
Warner Chilcott Company, Inc.	Tranche B Acquisition Date Term Loan	8,049,025	2.00%	1/18/2012	B1	Ba3	B+
Warner Chilcott Corporation	Tranche C Acquisition Date Term Loan	2,401,501	2.00%	1/18/2012	B1	Ba3	B+
Water PIK, Inc.	Loan (First Lien)	3,990,000	3.25%	6/15/2013	B3	B1	B-
West Corporation	Term B-2 Loan	6,935,094	2.38%	10/24/2013	B2	B1	B+
WideOpenWest Finance , LLC	Term Loan (First Lien)	4,000,000	2.50%	6/30/2014	B3	B2	B-
Wimar Opco LLC (Tropicana)	Term Loan	2,369,112	2.25%	1/3/2012	B2	Ba3	B
WM. Bolthouse Farms, Inc.	Second Lien Term Loan	1,250,000	5.50%	12/16/2013	B2	Caa1	B
WM. Bolthouse Farms, Inc.	Term Loan (First Lien)	5,560,076	2.25%	12/17/2012	B2	Ba3	B
WMG Acquisitions Corporation	Term Loan	2,912,903	2.00%	2/28/2011	Ba3	Ba2	B+
WP Evenflo Acquisition, Inc.	First Lien Term Loan	1,500,000	2.50%	2/7/2013	B2	B1	B-
Yell Group Plc	Facility B1	3,000,000	2.00%	10/27/2012	Ba3	Ba3	BB-
Yellowstone Mountain Club, LLC	Loan (First Lien)	4,400,113	2.38%	9/30/2010	B1	B1	B+
		659,783,813					

## SCHEDULE 2

### Moody's Industry Classification Group List

***Aerospace and Defense:*** Major Contractor, Subsystems, Research, Aircraft Manufacturing, Arms, Ammunition.

***Automobile:*** Automotive Equipment, Auto-Manufacturing, Auto Parts Manufacturing, Personal Use Trailers, Motor Homes, Dealers.

***Banking:*** Bank Holding, Savings and Loans, Consumer Credit, Small Loan, Agency, Factoring, Receivables.

***Beverage, Food and Tobacco:*** Beer and Ale, Distillers, Wines and Liquors, Distributors, Soft Drink Syrup, Bottling, Bakery, Mill Sugar, Canned Foods, Corn Refiners, Dairy Products, Meat Products, Poultry Products, Snacks, Packaged Foods, Distributors, Candy, Gum, Seafood, Frozen Food, Cigarettes, Cigars, Leaf/Snuff, Vegetable Oil.

***Buildings and Real Estate:*** Brick, Cement, Climate Controls, Contracting, Engineering, Construction, Hardware, Forest Products (building-related only), Plumbing, Roofing, Wallboard, Real Estate, Real Estate Development, REITs, Land Development.

***Chemicals, Plastics and Rubber:*** Chemicals (non-agriculture), Industrial Gases, Sulfur, Plastics, Plastic Products, Abrasives, Coatings, Paints, Varnish, Fabricating.

***Containers, Packaging and Glass:*** Glass, Fiberglass, Containers made of: Glass, Metal, Paper, Plastic, Wood or Fiberglass.

***Personal and Non Durable Consumer Products (Manufacturing Only):*** Soaps, Perfumes, Cosmetics, Toiletries, Cleaning Supplies, School Supplies.

***Diversified/Conglomerate Manufacturing***

***Diversified/Conglomerate Service***

***Diversified Natural Resources, Precious Metals and Minerals:*** Fabricating, Distribution, Mining and Sales.

***Ecological:*** Pollution Control, Waste Removal, Waste Treatment, Waste Disposal.

***Electronics:*** Computer Hardware, Electric Equipment, Components, Controllers, Motors, Household Appliances, Information Service, Communication Systems, Radios, TVs, Tape Machines, Speakers, Printers, Drivers, Technology.

***Finance:*** Investment Brokerage, Leasing, Syndication, Securities.

***Farming and Agriculture:*** Livestock, Grains, Produce, Agricultural Chemicals, Agricultural Equipment, Fertilizers.

***Grocery:*** Grocery Stores, Convenience Food Stores.

***Healthcare, Education and Childcare:*** Ethical Drugs, Proprietary Drugs, Research, Health Care Centers, Nursing Homes, HMOs, Hospitals, Hospital Supplies, Medical Equipment.

***Home and Office Furnishings, Housedress, and Durable Consumer Products:*** Carpets, Floor Coverings, Furniture, Cooking, Ranges.

***Hotels, Motels, Inns and Gaming***

***Insurance:*** Life, Property and Casualty, Broker, Agent, Surety.

***Leisure, Amusement, Entertainment:*** Boating, Bowling, Billiards, Musical Instruments, Fishing, Photo Equipment, Records, Tapes, Sports, Outdoor Equipment (camping), Tourism, Resorts, Games, Toy Manufacturing, Motion Picture Production, Theatres, Motion Picture Distribution.

***Machinery (Non-Agriculture, Non-Construction, Non-Electronic):*** Industrial, Machine Tools, Steam Generators.

***Mining, Steel, Iron and Non-Precious Metals:*** Coal, Copper, Lead, Uranium, Zinc, Aluminum, Stainless Steel, Integrated Steel, Ore Production, Refractories, Steel Mill Machinery, Mini-Mills, Fabricating, Distribution and Sales.

***Oil and Gas:*** Crude Producer, Retailer, Well Supply, Service and Drilling.

***Personal, Food and Miscellaneous***

***Printing and Publishing:*** Graphic Arts, Paper, Paper Products, Business Forms, Magazines, Books, Periodicals, Newspapers, Textbooks.

***Cargo Transport:*** Rail, Shipping, Railroads, Rail-car Builders, Ship Builders, Containers, Container Builders, Parts, Overnight Mail, Trucking, Truck Manufacturing, Trailer Manufacturing, Air Cargo, Transport.

***Retail Stores:*** Apparel, Toy, Variety, Drugs, Department, Mail Order Catalogue, Showroom.

***Structured Finance***

***Telecommunications:*** Local, Long Distance, Independent, Telephone, Telegraph, Satellite, Equipment, Research, Cellular.



***Textiles and Leather:*** Producer, Synthetic Fiber, Apparel Manufacturer, Leather Shoes.

***Personal Transportation*** Air, Bus, Rail, Car, Rental.

***Utilities:*** Electric, Water, Hydro Power, Gas, Diversified.

***Broadcasting and Entertainment:*** Recording Industry, Motion Exhibition Theatres, Motion Picture Production and Distribution, Radio, TV, Cable Broadcasting, Broadcasting Equipment.

### **SCHEDULE 3**

#### **S&P Industry Classifications**

##### Corporate Obligations

0. Zero Default Risk
1. Aerospace & Defense
2. Air transport
3. Automotive
4. Beverage & Tobacco
5. Radio & Television
6. Brokerages, Dealers & Investment houses
7. Building & Development
8. Business equipment & services
9. Cable & satellite television
10. Chemical & plastics
11. Clothing/textiles
12. Conglomerates
13. Containers & glass products
14. Cosmetics/toiletries
15. Drugs
16. Ecological services & equipment
17. Electronics/electrical
18. Equipment leasing
19. Farming/agriculture
20. Financial Intermediaries
21. Food/drug retailers
22. Food products
23. Food service
24. Forest products
25. Health care
26. Home furnishings
27. Lodging & casinos
28. Industrial equipment
29. Insurance
30. Leisure goods/activities/movies
31. Nonferrous metals/minerals
32. Oil & gas
33. Publishing
34. Rail Industries
35. Retailers (except food & drug)
36. Steel
37. Surface transport
38. Telecommunications
39. Utilities

Corporate Structured Obligations

50. CDOs

Structured Obligations

- 51. ABS Consumer
- 52. ABS Commercial
- 53. CMBS Diversified (Conduit and CTL)
- 54. CMBS (Large Loan, Single Borrower, and Single Property)
- 55. REITs and REOCs
- 56. RMBS A
- 57. RMBS B&C, HELs, HELOCs, and Tax Lien
- 58. Manufactured Housing
- 59. U.S. Agency (Explicitly Guaranteed)
- 60. Monoline/FER Guaranteed
- 61. Non-FER Company Guaranteed
- 62. FFELP Student Loans (Over 70% FFELP)
- 63. CLO of SME's

## SCHEDULE 4

### Diversity Score Calculation

The Diversity Score for the Collateral Obligations is calculated by summing each of the Industry Diversity Scores, which are calculated as follows

- (i) An ***Obligor Par Amount*** is calculated for each obligor represented in the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) by summing the par amounts of all Collateral Obligations in the Collateral (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) issued by that obligor or any Affiliate of that obligor (other than obligors that the Servicer reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).
- (ii) An ***Average Par Amount*** is calculated by summing the Obligor Par Amounts and dividing by the number of obligors represented. For purposes of calculating the number of issuers of the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations), any issuers Affiliated with one another shall be considered one issuer (other than obligors that the Servicer reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).
- (iii) An ***Equivalent Unit Score*** is calculated for each obligor represented in the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations) by taking the lesser of (A) one and (B) the Obligor Par Amount for the obligor **divided by** the Average Par Amount. For purposes of calculating the Equivalent Unit Score, any issuers Affiliated with one another shall be considered one issuer (other than obligors that the Servicer reasonably determines are Affiliated but are not dependent upon one another for credit support and are not dependent upon a Person by which they are commonly controlled for credit support).
- (iv) An ***Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score*** is then calculated for each of the Moody's industrial classification groups by summing the Equivalent Unit Scores for each obligor in the industry.
- (v) An ***Industry Diversity Score*** is then established by reference to the Diversity Score Table shown below for the related Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score. If any Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score falls between any two the scores then the applicable Industry Diversity Score shall be the lower of the two Industry Diversity Scores in the Diversity Score Table.

The Diversity Score for any Structured Finance Obligation that is (i) a collateralized loan obligation, (ii) any Synthetic Security with respect to which the Reference Obligation is a collateralized loan obligation or (iii) any Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default

swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, is equal to zero.

#### DIVERSITY SCORE TABLE

<b>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</b>	<b>Diversity Score</b>	<b>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</b>	<b>Diversity Score</b>	<b>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</b>	<b>Diversity Score</b>	<b>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</b>	<b>Diversity Score</b>
0.0000	0.0000	5.0500	2.7000	10.1500	4.0200	15.2500	4.5300
0.0500	0.1000	5.1500	2.7333	10.2500	4.0300	15.3500	4.5400
0.1500	0.2000	5.2500	2.7667	10.3500	4.0400	15.4500	4.5500
0.2500	0.3000	5.3500	2.8000	10.4500	4.0500	15.5500	4.5600
0.3500	0.4000	5.4500	2.8333	10.5500	4.0600	15.6500	4.5700
0.4500	0.5000	5.5500	2.8667	10.6500	4.0700	15.7500	4.5800
0.5500	0.6000	5.6500	2.9000	10.7500	4.0800	15.8500	4.5900
0.6500	0.7000	5.7500	2.9333	10.8500	4.0900	15.9500	4.6000
0.7500	0.8000	5.8500	2.9667	10.9500	4.1000	16.0500	4.6100
0.8500	0.9000	5.9500	3.0000	11.0500	4.1100	16.1500	4.6200
0.9500	1.0000	6.0500	3.0250	11.1500	4.1200	16.2500	4.6300
1.0500	1.0500	6.1500	3.0500	11.2500	4.1300	16.3500	4.6400
1.1500	1.1000	6.2500	3.0750	11.3500	4.1400	16.4500	4.6500
1.2500	1.1500	6.3500	3.1000	11.4500	4.1500	16.5500	4.6600
1.3500	1.2000	6.4500	3.1250	11.5500	4.1600	16.6500	4.6700
1.4500	1.2500	6.5500	3.1500	11.6500	4.1700	16.7500	4.6800
1.5500	1.3000	6.6500	3.1750	11.7500	4.1800	16.8500	4.6900
1.6500	1.3500	6.7500	3.2000	11.8500	4.1900	16.9500	4.7000

<b>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</b>	<b>Diversity Score</b>	<b>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</b>	<b>Diversity Score</b>	<b>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</b>	<b>Diversity Score</b>	<b>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</b>	<b>Diversity Score</b>
1.7500	1.4000	6.8500	3.2250	11.9500	4.2000	17.0500	4.7100
1.8500	1.4500	6.9500	3.2500	12.0500	4.2100	17.1500	4.7200
1.9500	1.5000	7.0500	3.2750	12.1500	4.2200	17.2500	4.7300
2.0500	1.5500	7.1500	3.3000	12.2500	4.2300	17.3500	4.7400
2.1500	1.6000	7.2500	3.3250	12.3500	4.2400	17.4500	4.7500
2.2500	1.6500	7.3500	3.3500	12.4500	4.2500	17.5500	4.7600
2.3500	1.7000	7.4500	3.3750	12.5500	4.2600	17.6500	4.7700
2.4500	1.7500	7.5500	3.4000	12.6500	4.2700	17.7500	4.7800
2.5500	1.8000	7.6500	3.4250	12.7500	4.2800	17.8500	4.7900
2.6500	1.8500	7.7500	3.4500	12.8500	4.2900	17.9500	4.8000
2.7500	1.9000	7.8500	3.4750	12.9500	4.3000	18.0500	4.8100
2.8500	1.9500	7.9500	3.5000	13.0500	4.3100	18.1500	4.8200
2.9500	2.0000	8.0500	3.5250	13.1500	4.3200	18.2500	4.8300
3.0500	2.0333	8.1500	3.5500	13.2500	4.3300	18.3500	4.8400
3.1500	2.0667	8.2500	3.5750	13.3500	4.3400	18.4500	4.8500
3.2500	2.1000	8.3500	3.6000	13.4500	4.3500	18.5500	4.8600
3.3500	2.1333	8.4500	3.6250	13.5500	4.3600	18.6500	4.8700
3.4500	2.1667	8.5500	3.6500	13.6500	4.3700	18.7500	4.8800
3.5500	2.2000	8.6500	3.6750	13.7500	4.3800	18.8500	4.8900
3.6500	2.2333	8.7500	3.7000	13.8500	4.3900	18.9500	4.9000
3.7500	2.2667	8.8500	3.7250	13.9500	4.4000	19.0500	4.9100
3.8500	2.3000	8.9500	3.7500	14.0500	4.4100	19.1500	4.9200
3.9500	2.3333	9.0500	3.7750	14.1500	4.4200	19.2500	4.9300

<b>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</b>	<b>Diversity Score</b>	<b>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</b>	<b>Diversity Score</b>	<b>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</b>	<b>Diversity Score</b>	<b>Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score</b>	<b>Diversity Score</b>
4.0500	2.3667	9.1500	3.8000	14.2500	4.4300	19.3500	4.9400
4.1500	2.4000	9.2500	3.8250	14.3500	4.4400	19.4500	4.9500
4.2500	2.4333	9.3500	3.8500	14.4500	4.4500	19.5500	4.9600
4.3500	2.4667	9.4500	3.8750	14.5500	4.4600	19.6500	4.9700
4.4500	2.5000	9.5500	3.9000	14.6500	4.4700	19.7500	4.9800
4.5500	2.5333	9.6500	3.9250	14.7500	4.4800	19.8500	4.9900
4.6500	2.5667	9.7500	3.9500	14.8500	4.4900	19.9500	5.0000
4.7500	2.6000	9.8500	3.9750	14.9500	4.5000		
4.8500	2.6333	9.9500	4.0000	15.0500	4.5100		
4.9500	2.6667	10.0500	4.0100	15.1500	4.5200		

**SCHEDULE 5****Moody's Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates**

The Moody's Recovery Rate for a Structured Finance Obligation will be the applicable rate set forth below based on the appropriate sector as categorized by Moody's

**Diversified Securities** primarily include (1) Automobile Securities; (2) Car Rental Receivable Securities; (3) Credit Card Securities; (4) Student Loan Securities

**Residential Securities** primarily include (1) Home Equity Loan Securities; (2) Manufactured Housing Securities; (3) Residential A Mortgage Securities; (4) Residential B/C Mortgage Securities

**Undiversified Securities** primarily include (1) CMBS Conduit; (2) CMBS Credit Tenant Lease; (3) CMBS Large Loan; (4) those ABS Sectors not included in Diversified Securities

**Collateralized Debt Obligations** include (1) High-diversity CDOs (Diversity Score in excess of 20); (2) Low-Diversity CDOs (Diversity Score of 20 or less)

**Diversified Securities**

	<b>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</b>					
<b>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</b>	<b>Aaa</b>	<b>Aa</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>Baa</b>	<b>Ba</b>	<b>B</b>
<b>&gt;70%</b>	85%	80%	70%	60%	50%	40%
<b>&lt;=70% &gt;10%</b>	75%	70%	60%	50%	40%	30%
<b>&lt;=10%</b>	70%	65%	55%	45%	35%	25%



**Residential Securities**

	<b>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</b>					
<b>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</b>	<b>Aaa</b>	<b>Aa</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>Baa</b>	<b>Ba</b>	<b>B</b>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10% >5%	65%	55%	45%	40%	30%	20%
<=5% >2%	55%	45%	40%	35%	25%	15%
<=2%	45%	35%	30%	25%	15%	10%

**Undiversified Securities**

	<b>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</b>					
<b>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</b>	<b>Aaa</b>	<b>Aa</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>Baa</b>	<b>Ba</b>	<b>B</b>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10% >5%	65%	55%	45%	35%	25%	15%
<=5% >2%	55%	45%	35%	30%	20%	10%
<=2%	45%	35%	25%	20%	10%	5%

**High Diversity Collateralized Debt Obligations**

	<b>Initial Rating of Underlying Asset</b>					
<b>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</b>	<b>Aaa</b>	<b>Aa</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>Baa</b>	<b>Ba</b>	<b>B</b>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	75%	70%	60%	50%	40%	25%
<=10% >5%	65%	55%	50%	40%	30%	20%
<=5% >2%	55%	45%	40%	35%	25%	10%
<=2%	45%	35%	30%	25%	10%	5%

**Low Diversity Collateralized Debt Obligations**

	<b>Initial Rating of Underlying Asset</b>					
<b>% of Underlying Capital Structure (1)</b>	<b>Aaa</b>	<b>Aa</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>Baa</b>	<b>Ba</b>	<b>B</b>
>70%	80%	75%	60%	50%	45%	30%
<=70% >10%	70%	60%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10% >5%	60%	50%	45%	35%	25%	15%
<=5% >2%	50%	40%	35%	30%	20%	10%
<=2%	30%	25%	20%	15%	7%	4%

(1) Initial par amount of tranche to which Structured Finance Obligation relates **divided by** initial par amount of total securities issued by Structured Finance Obligation issuer.

**SCHEDULE 6****S&P Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates\*****RATING OF A CLASS OF NOTES AT THE TIME OF COMMITMENT TO PURCHASE****Structured Finance  
Obligation Rating\***

Senior Asset Class	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC
AAA	80.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
AA	70.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
A	60.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
BBB	50.0%	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%

**Junior Asset Class**

	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC
AAA	65.0%	70.0%	80.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%
AA	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
A	40.0%	45.0%	55.0%	65.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
BBB	30.0%	35.0%	40.0%	45.0%	50.0%	60.0%	70.0%
BB	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	25.0%	35.0%	40.0%	50.0%
B	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%	10.0%	10.0%	20.0%	25.0%
CCC	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%

\* If the Structured Finance Obligation is (x) a collateralized debt obligation backed by project finance securities, asset-backed securities, structured finance or real estate securities, distressed debt or other collateralized debt obligations; (y) a market value collateralized debt obligation; or (z) a synthetic collateralized debt obligation, the recovery rate will be assigned by S&P at the time of acquisition.

## SCHEDULE 7

### Certain Defined Terms Relating to S&P Rating and Moody's Rating

**Assigned Moody's Rating:** The monitored publicly available rating or the monitored estimated rating expressly assigned to a debt obligation (or facility) by Moody's that addresses the full amount of the principal and interest promised.

**Moody's Default Probability Rating:** With respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority

- (a) with respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:
  - (i) if the Loan's obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, such corporate family rating; and
  - (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Obligation Rating of such Loan;
  - (iii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, the rating that is one subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating;
- (b) with respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating of such Collateral Obligation;
- (c) with respect to a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the rating that is one rating subcategory below the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof;
- (d) with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof or, if the obligation does not have an Assigned Moody's Rating but has a rating by S&P, then the Moody's Default Probability Rating shall be
  - (i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher, or
  - (ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; and
- (e) with respect to a Synthetic Security, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down (if on watch for downgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories or adjusted up (if on watch for upgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than

Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories. For purposes of any calculation under this Indenture, if a Moody's Default Probability Rating is withdrawn by Moody's with respect to a Collateral Obligation, the Issuer will continue using the latest Moody's Default Probability Rating available immediately prior to such withdrawal until a bankruptcy event occurs with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

***Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating:*** With respect to any Collateral Obligation that is a Loan or bond and the obligor thereof, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority

- (a) if the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating;
- (b) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's "Issuer Rating" for the obligor;
- (c) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, then
  - (i) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "B3" (and, if rated "B3", not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one rating subcategory higher than such Assigned Moody's Rating, or
  - (ii) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "B3" (or rated "B3" and on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be such Assigned Moody's Rating;
- (d) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, then
  - (i) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "Caa3" (and, if rated "Caa3", not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one subcategory below such Assigned Moody's Rating, or
  - (ii) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "Caa3" (or rated "Caa3" and on watch for downgrade), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be "C";
- (e) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but such obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be one rating subcategory below such corporate family rating;
- (f) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P

(without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be

- (i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher,
  - (ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; or
  - (iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating no lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (f)(iii), or clause (g)(iii) or (h)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;
- (g) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be
  - (i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;
  - (ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (c) above; or
  - (iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (g)(iii), or clauses (f)(iii) or (h)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

- (h) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be
  - (i) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;
  - (ii) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (d) above; or
  - (iii) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (A) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within two Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (B) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (h)(iii), or clauses (f)(iii) or (g)(iii) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (C) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;
- (i) if the preceding clauses do not apply and each of the following clauses (i) through (viii) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa1"
  - (i) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings,
  - (ii) no debt securities or obligations of the obligor are in default,
  - (iii) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates has defaulted on any debt during the preceding two years,
  - (iv) the obligor has been in existence for the preceding five years,
  - (v) the obligor is current on any cumulative dividends,
  - (vi) the fixed-charge ratio for the obligor exceeds 125% for each of the preceding two fiscal years and for the most recent quarter,
  - (vii) the obligor had a net profit before tax in the past fiscal year and the most recent quarter, and

- (ix) the annual financial statements of such obligor are unqualified and certified by a firm of Independent accountants of international reputation, and quarterly statements are unaudited but signed by a corporate officer;
- (j) if the preceding clauses do not apply but each of the following clauses (i) and (ii) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa3"
  - (i) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings; and
  - (ii) no debt security or obligation of such obligor has been in default during the past two years; and
- (k) if the preceding clauses do not apply and a debt security or obligation of the obligor has been in default during the past two years, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Ca."

Notwithstanding the foregoing, not more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may consist of Relevant Obligations given a Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating based on a rating given by S&P as provided in clauses (f), (g) and (h) above.

**Moody's Obligation Rating:** With respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority

- (a) With respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan
  - (i) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or
  - (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the rating that is one rating subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and
- (b) With respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond
  - (i) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or
  - (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and
- (c) With respect to a Synthetic Security or a DIP Loan, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Obligation Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).



**Moody's Rating:** The Moody's Default Probability Rating; **provided** that, with respect to the Collateral Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or any successor to it ceases to provide rating services, references to rating categories of Moody's in this Indenture shall be deemed instead to be references to the equivalent categories of any other nationally recognized investment rating agency selected by the Servicer, as of the most recent date on which such other rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which such alternative rating agency is used. If no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's, then the Servicer may apply to Moody's for a Moody's credit rating estimate, which will be its Moody's Rating; **provided** that, on or prior to each one-year anniversary of the acquisition of any such Collateral Obligation, the Issuer shall submit to Moody's a request for a Moody's credit rating estimate for such Collateral Obligation, which shall be its Moody's Rating, together with all information reasonably required by Moody's to perform such estimate.

**S&P Rating:** With respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following methodology

- (i) If there is an issuer credit rating of the borrower of the Collateral Obligation (the **Borrower**), or the guarantor who unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the Collateral Obligation (the **Guarantor**) by S&P, the most current issuer credit rating for such Borrower or Guarantor (**provided** that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating);
- (ii) (a) if there is not an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation will be one subcategory below such rating; (b) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior unsecured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be such rating; and (c) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a subordinated obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be two subcategories above such rating if such rating is "BBB-" or higher and will be one subcategory above such rating if such rating is "BB+" or lower (**provided** that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating); or
- (iii) if there is neither an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P nor a rating by S&P on an obligation of the Borrower or its

Guarantor, then the S&P Rating may be determined using any one of the methods below

- (A) if an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is publicly rated by Moody's, then the S&P Rating will be determined in accordance with the methodologies for establishing the Moody's Default Probability Rating, except that the S&P Rating of such obligation will be (1) one subcategory below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Baa3" or higher by Moody's and (2) two subcategories below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody's if such security is rated "Bal" or lower by Moody's; **provided** that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may be given a S&P Rating based on a rating given by Moody's as provided in this subclause (a) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);
- (B) if no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's, then the Servicer may apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating estimate, which will be its S&P Rating; **provided** that, prior to or on acquisition of any such Collateral Obligation and on or prior to each one year anniversary of the acquisition of such Collateral Obligation, the Issuer shall submit to S&P a request for a S&P credit rating estimate for such Collateral Obligation, which shall be its S&P Rating, together with all information reasonably required by S&P to perform such estimate; or
- (C) if such Collateral Obligation is not rated by Moody's or S&P, no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's and if the Servicer determines in its sole discretion based on information available to it after reasonable inquiry that such Borrower (1) is not subject to any bankruptcy or reorganization proceedings nor in default on any of its obligations (unless the subject of a good faith business dispute), (2) is a legally constituted corporate entity having the minimum legal, financial and operational infrastructure to carry on a definable business, deliver and sell a product or service and report its results in generally accepted accounting terms as verified by a reputable audit firm and (3) is not so vulnerable to adverse business, financial and economic conditions that default in its financial or other obligations is foreseeable in the near term if current operating trends continue, then the S&P Rating will be the rating determined by the Servicer, using its commercially reasonable judgment, to be applicable for such Collateral Obligation during such time as the credit estimate is pending; **provided** that (x) if the Issuer submits

all information reasonably required by S&P to perform such estimate within 30 days upon acquisition of any such Collateral Obligation, the aforementioned rating determined by the Servicer will apply until S&P assigns a different rating, (y) if the Issuer does not submit all information reasonably required by S&P to perform such estimate within 30 days upon acquisition of any such Collateral Obligation and if, upon the 90th day following the acquisition of such Collateral Obligation (which 90-day period will be extended by S&P upon request by the Servicer so long as the Servicer has applied to S&P for a S&P credit rating and has provided all the information necessary for S&P to provide a credit rating to such Collateral Obligation prior to or upon acquisition of the such Collateral Obligation), S&P has not assigned a credit rating to such Collateral Obligation, then such Collateral Obligation shall be treated by the Issuer as having a rating of "CCC-" and (z) Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 5% of the Maximum Amount may be given an S&P Rating based on this subclause (c) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

**provided** that if (i) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any positive "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be increased by one rating subcategory or (ii) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any negative "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be decreased by one rating subcategory.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the S&P Rating shall be (A) the rating assigned thereto by S&P if the rating is public, (B) the rating assigned by S&P if the rating is confidential, but only if all appropriate parties have provided written consent to its disclosure and use, (C) the rating assigned by S&P thereto through an estimated rating or (D) the rating assigned thereto by S&P in connection with the acquisition thereof upon the request of the Servicer. In the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a PIK Security, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Securities, the S&P Rating may not be determined pursuant to clause (iii)(A) above.

S&P Ratings for entities or obligations relevant hereunder other than Borrowers and Collateral Obligations shall be determined in a corresponding manner.

**EXHIBIT A**

**Form of Note**

**EXHIBIT B-1**

**Form of Note Transferee Certificate**

**EXHIBIT B-2**

**Form of Note Transferor Certificate for Regulation S to Rule 144A Transfer**

**EXHIBIT B-3**

**Form of Note Transferor Certificate for Rule 144A to Regulation S Transfer**

**EXHIBIT C**

**Form of Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP Opinion**



**EXHIBIT D**

**Form of Maples and Calder Opinion**

**EXHIBIT E**

**Form of Nixon Peabody LLP Opinion**

**EXHIBIT F**

**Form of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP Opinion**

**EXHIBIT G**

**Forms of Section 3(c)(7) Notices**

**EXHIBIT G-1**

**Form of Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice**

**EXHIBIT G-2**

**Form of Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice**

**EXHIBIT H**

**Form of Beneficial Owner Certificate**

**EXHIBIT I**

**Form of Extension Notice**



**EXHIBIT J**

**Form of Insurer Notice**

## **EXHIBIT LLL**

**Dated as of October 25, 2007**

**STRATFORD CLO LTD.  
as Issuer**

**STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent**

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**PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AND AGENCY  
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**PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENCY AGREEMENT**, dated as of October 25, 2007 (as the same may be amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time in accordance with the terms hereof, this *Agreement*), between **STRATFORD CLO LTD.**, an exempted company with limited liability duly incorporated and validly existing under the law of the Cayman Islands (in such capacity, together with its permitted successors and assigns, the *Issuer*), **MAPLES FINANCE LIMITED**, a Cayman Islands company as Share Registrar (in such capacity, together with its permitted successors and assignees, the *Share Registrar*) and **STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY** a Massachusetts trust company, as the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder (in such capacity, together with its permitted successors and assigns, the *Preference Shares Paying Agent*).

## **PRELIMINARY STATEMENT**

The Issuer, together with Stratford CLO LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, (the *Co-Issuer* and, together with the Issuer, the *Co-Issuers*) shall, pursuant to an Indenture dated as of the date hereof (as the same may be supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof, the *Indenture*), between the Co-Issuers and State Street Bank and Trust Company as the trustee (in such capacity, together with its permitted successors and assigns in such capacity, the *Trustee*) thereunder, issue U.S.\$417,200,000 Class A-1 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2021, U.S.\$104,300,000 Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2021, U.S.\$41,300,000 Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable due 2021, U.S.\$37,100,000 Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due 2021, U.S.\$16,100,000 Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due 2021 and U.S.\$21,000,000 Class E Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due 2021 (collectively, the *Notes*).

As authorized by its memorandum and articles of association (as the same may be further amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the *Issuer Charter*), the Issuer may issue up to U.S.\$17,500,000 (in face amount) of Class I Preference Shares (17,500 shares at par value of U.S.\$0.01 per share) (the *Class I Preference Shares*) and up to U.S.\$45,500,000 (in aggregate face amount) of Class II Preference Shares (45,500 shares at par value of U.S.\$0.01 per share) (the *Class II Preference Shares* and, together with the Class I Preference Shares, the *Preference Shares*) the dividends and any final distribution on which are payable in accordance with the Issuer Charter, the Indenture and this Agreement. The Notes and the Preference Shares are collectively referred to herein as the *Securities*.

The Issuer has entered into this Agreement to provide for the payment of such dividends and any final distribution on the Preference Shares, the maintenance of a register with respect thereto and for certain other matters relating to the Preference Shares and the rights of the registered holders thereof.

## **DEFINITIONS; RULES OF CONSTRUCTION**

1.1 Except as otherwise specified herein or as the context may otherwise require, the following terms have the respective meanings set forth below for all purposes of this Agreement. All other capitalized terms used herein and not defined herein shall have the meanings assigned thereto in the Issuer Charter or the Indenture.

**Act** has the meaning specified in Section 8.3(a).

**Agreement** means this Agreement, as the same may be amended, supplemented or otherwise modified and in effect from time to time in accordance with the terms hereof.

**Authorized Officer** means (i) with respect to the Issuer, any Officer who is authorized to act for the Issuer in matters relating to, and binding upon, the Issuer, (ii) with respect to the Servicer, any Officer, employee or agent of the Servicer who is authorized to act for the Servicer in matters relating to, and binding upon, the Servicer with respect to the subject matter of the request, certificate or order in question and (iii) with respect to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, a Responsible Officer. Each party may receive and accept a certification of the authority of any other party as conclusive evidence of the authority of any Person to act, and such certification may be considered as in full force and effect until receipt by such other party of written notice to the contrary.

**Bank** means State Street Bank and Trust Company, a Massachusetts trust company, in its individual capacity and not as Preference Shares Paying Agent.

**Beneficial Owner** means any Person owning an interest in a Global Preference Share as reflected on the books of the Depository or on the books of an Agent Member or on the books of an indirect participant for which an Agent Member acts as agent.

**Business Day** means a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in New York City and any other city in which the Corporate Trust Office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent is located and, in the case of the final distribution of any Preference Share, the place of presentation of the Preference Share designated by the Preference Shares Paying Agent; **provided, however**, that, for purposes of determining LIBOR, "Business Day" must also be a day on which dealings in deposits in Dollars are transacted in the London interbank market.

**Certificated Preference Shares** means the Preference Shares issued in the form of one or more certificated Preference Shares in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof.

**Code** means the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

**Corporate Trust Office** means the corporate trust office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent at which the Preference Shares Paying Agent performs its duties under this Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, currently having an address of 200

Clarendon Street, Mail Code: EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116 telecopy no. (617) 351-4358, Attn: CDO Services Group, or any other address the Preference Shares Paying Agent designates from time to time by notice to the Preference Shareholders, the Servicer, the Trustee, the Issuer, and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Preference Shares Paying Agent.

***Depository*** or ***DTC*** means The Depository Trust Company.

***Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date*** means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, November 1, 2025); **provided** that the "Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in November 2037.

***Face Amount*** means with respect to any Preference Share, the amount set forth therein as the "face amount" thereof, which "face amount" shall be U.S.\$1,000 per Preference Share.

***Holder*** means a Preference Shareholder.

***Indenture*** has the meaning specified in the recitals hereto.

***Initial Purchaser*** means each of CALYON Corporate and Investment Bank and Calyon Securities (USA) Inc.

***Issuer Ordinary Shares*** means the 1,000 ordinary shares, U.S.\$1.00 par value per share, of the Issuer.

***New York Presenting Agent*** has the meaning specified in Section 4.2.

***Opinion of Counsel*** means a written opinion addressed to the Preference Share Paying Agent, or upon which the Preference Share Paying Agent is permitted to rely, and in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Preference Share Paying Agent, of an attorney at law (or law firm with one or more partners) reasonably satisfactory to the Preference Shares Paying Agent and admitted to practice before the highest court of any state of the United States or the District of Columbia (or the Cayman Islands, in the case of an opinion relating to the laws of the Cayman Islands), which attorney (or law firm) may, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, be counsel for the Servicer, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. Whenever an Opinion of Counsel is required under this Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Opinion of Counsel may rely on opinions of other counsel who are so admitted and so satisfactory, which opinions of other counsel shall accompany the Opinion of Counsel and shall either be addressed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent or shall state that the Preference Shares Paying Agent may rely on it. An Opinion of Counsel may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant



certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion.

**Ordinary Shares Account** means an account established by the Board of Directors of the Issuer in which the proceeds of the subscription and sale of the Ordinary Shares and the U.S.\$1,000 transaction fee payable to the Issuer shall be deposited.

**Original Purchaser** means a purchaser of a Preference Share on the Closing Date.

**Paying Agents** means the Preference Shares Paying Agent and any other Person authorized by the Issuer from time to time to make payments on the Preference Shares and to deliver notices to the Preference Shareholders on behalf of the Issuer (each, a **Paying Agent**).

**Preference Share Certificates** means the permanent, physical certificate in definitive, fully registered form evidencing such Preference Share, which shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit A attached hereto.

**Preference Shares Distribution Account** means a separate segregated securities account, established by the Bank at the request of the Preference Shares Paying Agent, and held in the name of the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the benefit of the Preference Shareholders pursuant to Section 2.7, into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deposit all amounts received from the Issuer and payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares under the Priority of Payments.

**Preference Shareholder** means, with respect to any Preference Share, the Person in whose name such Preference Share is registered in the Preference Share Register.

**Preference Shares Paying Agent** means State Street Bank and Trust Company in its capacity as Preference Shares Paying Agent under this Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to Section 3.8, and thereafter "Preference Shares Paying Agent" shall mean such successor person.

**Preference Shares** means, as of any date of determination, the Preference Shares, par value U.S.\$0.01 per share and having a Face Amount of U.S.\$1,000 per share, issued by the Issuer pursuant to the Issuer Charter and paid for as of such date of determination.

**Record Date** means the date on which the Preference Shareholders entitled to receive a payment on or in respect of the Preference Shares (including any Redemption Price paid on the applicable Redemption Date) and of any payments on any Preference Shares will be made to the person in whose name the related Preference Share is registered 15 days before the applicable Payment Date.

**Redemption Amount** means, with respect to each Preference Share, an amount equal to (x) the proceeds of the liquidation of the assets of the Issuer **minus** the costs and expenses of such liquidation **minus** the amount required to establish adequate reserves

necessary to meet any and all contingent, unliquidated liabilities or obligations of the Issuer **multiplied by** (y) (i) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Preference Share immediately prior to the redemption thereof **divided by** (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Preference Shares, as specified in the Issuer Order delivered pursuant to Section 2.4(b).

**Redemption Date** means the date on which the Preference Shares are redeemed or, if such date is not a Business Day, the next following Business Day.

**Responsible Officer** means, when used with respect to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, any Officer within the Corporate Trust Office (or any successor group of the Preference Shares Paying Agent) authorized to act for and on behalf of the Preference Shares Paying Agent, including any vice president, assistant vice president or other Officer of the Preference Shares Paying Agent customarily performing functions similar to those performed by the persons who at the time shall be such Officers, respectively, or to whom any corporate trust matter is referred at the Corporate Trust Office because of such person's knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject and when used with respect to the Share Registrar, any Officer authorized to act on behalf of the Share Registrar and having direct responsibility for the administration of the Agreement.

**Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date** means the date the Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed at the Redemption Price thereof by the Issuer on the Payment Date in November 1, 2021 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date unless redeemed in full prior thereto.

**Share Registrar** has the meaning set forth in Section 2.5(a).

**Subscription Agreement** means a subscription agreement between a purchaser and the Issuer entered into on or before the Closing Date for the subscription of a specified number of Preference Shares.

**Transfer Certificate** has the meaning set forth in Section 2.5(b)(i)(A).

## **Rules of Construction**

1.2 Unless the context otherwise clearly requires:

- (a) the definitions of terms herein shall apply equally to the singular and plural forms of the terms defined;
- (b) whenever the context may require, any pronoun shall include the corresponding masculine, feminine and neuter forms;
- (c) the words "include," "includes" and "including" shall be deemed to be followed by the phrase "without limitation";

- (d) the word "will" shall be construed to have the same meaning and effect as the word "shall";
- (e) any definition of or reference to any agreement, instrument or other document herein shall be construed as referring to such agreement, instrument or other document as from time to time amended, supplemented or otherwise modified (subject to any restrictions on such amendments, supplements or modifications set forth herein);
- (f) any reference herein to any Person, or to any Person in a specified capacity, shall be construed to include such Person's successors and assigns or such Person's successors in such capacity, as the case may be; and
- (g) all references in this instrument to designated "Sections," "clauses" and other subdivisions are to the designated Sections, clauses and other subdivisions of this instrument as originally executed, and the words "herein," "hereof," "hereunder" and other words of similar import refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular Section, clause or other subdivision.

## **THE PREFERENCE SHARES**

### **Form of Preference Shares Generally**

- 2.1 The Preference Shares shall be represented by Preference Share Certificates in substantially the form required by this Section 2, with such appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions and other variations as are required or permitted by this Agreement, and may have such letters, numbers or other marks of identification and such legends or endorsements placed thereon, as may, consistently herewith, be determined by the Authorized Officers of the Issuer executing such Preference Share Certificate as evidenced by their execution of such Preference Share Certificate. Any portion of the text of any Preference Share Certificate may be set forth on the reverse thereof, with an appropriate reference thereto on the face of the Preference Share Certificate.

### **Form of Preference Share Certificates**

- 2.2 The Preference Shares shall be represented by Preference Share Certificates in the form of, and with the legend set forth in, Exhibit A attached hereto.

### **Authorized Number of Preference Shares; Minimum Purchase; Fractional Shares**

- 2.3(a) The aggregate number of Preference Shares that may be allotted, registered and delivered under this Agreement is limited to 17,500 Class I Preference Shares and 45,500 Class II Preference Shares, except for Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares delivered upon registration of transfer of, or in exchange for, or in lieu of, other Preference Shares pursuant to Sections 2.4 and 2.5.

- (b) The Preference Shares shall be sold and shall be transferable in a minimum trading lot of not less than 250 Preference Shares. After giving effect to any transfer of Preference Shares, the transferor thereof shall have retained a number of Preference Shares that is either (i) equal to zero or (ii) equal to or greater than 250 Preference Shares. Fractional Preference Shares may not be issued.
- (c) The Preference Share Certificates shall be numbered, lettered or otherwise distinguished in such manner as may be consistent herewith, determined by the Authorized Officer of the Issuer executing such Preference Share Certificates as evidenced by its execution of such Preference Share Certificates.

### **Execution, Authentication, Delivery and Dating**

2.4(a) The Preference Share Certificates shall be executed on behalf of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer thereof.

- (b) At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Agreement, the Issuer may deliver Preference Share Certificates executed by the Issuer to the Share Registrar, and the Share Registrar, upon Issuer Order, if the Share Registrar is not the Issuer, shall register the Preference Shares in accordance with the Issuer Charter and deliver such Preference Share Certificates as provided in this Agreement and not otherwise.
- (c) Each of the Preference Share Certificates registered and delivered by the Share Registrar upon Issuer Order on the Closing Date shall be dated as of the Closing Date. All Preference Share Certificates that are registered and delivered on any other date for any other purpose under this Agreement shall be dated the date of their registration.

### **Registration, Registration of Transfer and Exchange**

2.5(a) The Share Registrar shall maintain at its offices a register (the ***Preference Share Register***) in which it shall provide for the registration of Preference Shares and the registration of transfers of Preference Shares in accordance with the Issuer Charter. Such procedures shall at all times comply with the requirements of Cayman Islands law. The Preference Share Register shall, at minimum, contain:

- (i) the names and addresses of the Preference Shareholders, and statements of (A) the Preference Shares held by each Preference Shareholder distinguishing each certificate representing Preference Shares by its number, and (B) the amount of the dividends and other distributions paid, or agreed to be considered as paid, on the Preference Shares;
- (ii) a designation (based upon the representations contained in the related Subscription Agreement or Transfer Certificate) as to whether each Preference Shareholder who has purchased Preference Shares is a Benefit

Plan Investor (either directly or through an insurance company general account);

- (iii) a designation (based upon the representations contained in the related Subscription Agreement or Transfer Certificate) as to whether each Preference Shareholder is a Controlling Person (either directly or through an insurance company general account);
- (iv) the date on which the name of any Person was entered on the Share Register as a Preference Shareholder; and; and
- (v) the date on which any Person ceased to be a Preference Shareholder.

The Issuer shall inform the Share Registrar of any such reasonable procedures it may prescribe; **provided** that such procedures are not in conflict with procedures established pursuant to this Agreement. The Share Registrar shall maintain at its offices such books and records as it may deem necessary or appropriate in respect of the performance of its function as Share Registrar. Maples Finance Limited is hereby initially appointed ***Share Registrar*** for the purpose of registering Preference Shares and transfers of such Preference Shares and keeping the Preference Share Register on behalf of the Issuer. Upon request at any time, the Share Registrar shall provide to the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Servicer or the Board of Directors of the Issuer a current list of Preference Shareholders as reflected in the Preference Share Register. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall maintain at the Corporate Trust Office a duplicate Preference Share register together with such books and records as it may deem necessary or appropriate in respect of the performance of its function as Preference Shares Paying Agent.

The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have the right to inspect the Preference Share Register at all reasonable times and to obtain copies thereof and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have the right to rely upon a certificate executed on behalf of the Share Registrar by a Responsible Officer thereof as to the names and addresses of the Holders of the Preference Shares and the number of Preference Shares held by each such Holder.

Subject to the provisions of this Section 2.5, upon surrender for registration of transfer of any Preference Share to the Preference Shares Paying Agent at its Corporate Trust Office of any Preference Share Certificate representing Preference Shares to be transferred, at the request of the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Issuer shall execute, and the Share Registrar shall register in the name of the designated transferee or transferees, the Preference Shares so transferred together with details of the one or more new Preference Share (s) to reflect such transfer and deliver such Preference Share Certificate(s) executed by the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for delivery to the applicable Holder.

At the option of the Holder, Preference Share Certificates may be exchanged for Preference Share Certificates of like terms, in any authorized denominations, upon surrender of the Preference Share Certificates to be exchanged at the Corporate Trust Office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent. Whenever any Preference Share Certificate is surrendered for exchange, the Share Registrar shall execute, register and deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, for delivery to the appropriate Holder, the Preference Share Certificates executed by the Issuer that the Holder of the Preference Shares making the exchange is entitled to receive.

Every Preference Share presented or surrendered for registration of transfer shall be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Issuer and duly executed by the Holder thereof as well as duly authorized in writing by the transferee or its attorney.

No service charge shall be made to a Preference Shareholder for any registration of transfer of Preference Shares or exchange of Preference Shares, but the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

- (b)(i) Exchanges or transfers of beneficial interests in a Preference Share may be made only in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Depository and the transfer restrictions contained in the legend on such Preference Share (including the deemed representation that such transferee is not and that it shall not become a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person while it shall hold such Preference Share or interest therein) and exchanges or transfers of interests in a Preference Share may be made only in accordance with the following:
  - (A) An owner of Preference Shares may transfer to a transferee who takes delivery in the form of Certificated Preference Shares upon provision to the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent of a written certificate in the form of Exhibit B executed by the Transferee and Transferor, as applicable, and delivered by the Transferor (a ***Transfer Certificate***).
  - (B) Subject to the restrictions on transfer and exchange set forth in this Section 2.4 and to any additional restrictions on transfer or exchange specified in the Preference Shares, the Holder of any Preference Shares may transfer or exchange the same (for Preference Shares represented by one or more Preference Share Certificates in definitive form) by surrendering the Preference Share Certificate in respect of such Preference Shares at the Corporate Trust Office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent together with (x) in the case of any transfer, an executed instrument of transfer and (y) in the case of any exchange, a written request for exchange. Following a proper request for transfer or exchange, the Issuer shall (**provided** it has available in

its possession an inventory of Preference Share Certificates with respect to Preference Shares), within ten Business Days of such request make available at the Corporate Trust Office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the transferee (in the case of a transfer) or Preference Shareholder (in the case of an exchange) or send by first class mail (at the risk of the transferee in the case of a transfer or Preference Shareholder in the case of exchange) to such address as the transferee or Preference Shareholder, as applicable, may request, one or more Preference Share Certificates in definitive form representing the Preference Shares so transferred or exchanged.

- (c) Upon request by and at the expense of the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall cooperate with the Issuer in mailing or otherwise distributing (at the Issuer's expense) to Preference Shareholders or prospective purchasers of Preference Shares, at and pursuant to the Issuer's direction, any Rule 144A Information prepared and provided by or on behalf of the Issuer; **provided** that the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be entitled to affix thereto or enclose therewith such disclaimers as the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deem reasonably appropriate, at its discretion (such as, for example, a disclaimer that such Rule 144A Information was assembled by the Issuer and not by the Preference Shares Paying Agent, that the Preference Shares Paying Agent has not reviewed or verified the accuracy thereof, and that it makes no representation as to the sufficiency of such information under Rule 144A or for any other purpose).
- (d) Upon the redemption of any Preference Share, the Holder thereof shall present and surrender the related Preference Share Certificate at the Corporate Trust Office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent on or prior to the Redemption Date; **provided** that, if there is delivered to the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender such Preference Share, then, in the absence of notice to the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent that the applicable Preference Share has been acquired by a bona fide purchaser for value without notice, such final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender.
- (e) If a Holder wishes at any time to transfer Preference Shares to a transferee, such Holder may transfer or cause the transfer of such Preference Shares as provided herein; **provided** that if the Holder retains any Preference Shares, the remaining number of Preference Shares held by such Holder shall satisfy the authorized minimum lot size required by Section 2.3(b).
- (f) The Share Registrar shall not register any transfer of a beneficial interest in Preference Shares to any Person that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor (either directly or through an insurance company general account) or a Controlling Person. The Share Registrar will not recognize or register such purchase or transfer, if such purchase or transfer would result in Benefit Plan

Investors owning 25% or more of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares (determined pursuant to Section 3(42) of ERISA, 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents) and the Preference Shares held by the Trustee, the Servicer, any of their respective Affiliates (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) and any other persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding unless such person is also a Benefit Plan Investor.

- (g) Each Original Purchaser of Preference Shares (or a beneficial interest therein) in the initial placement of the Preference Shares shall be required to execute and deliver a Subscription Agreement. Each purchaser of Preference Shares, by its purchase of Preference Shares, will be required or deemed to have agreed not to institute against, or join any person in instituting against, the Issuer any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation or other proceedings under U.S. Federal or state bankruptcy or similar laws or the similar laws of the Cayman Islands or any other applicable jurisdiction until one year and one day (or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect) after the payment in full of the Notes and the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares.
- (h) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be responsible for ascertaining whether any transfer of the Preference Shares complies with, or otherwise for monitoring or determining compliance with, the requirements or terms of the Securities Act, applicable state securities laws, ERISA, the Code or the Investment Company Act; except that if a certificate or agreement is specifically required by the terms of this Section 2.5 to be provided to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by a transferee of the Preference Shares, a transferor of the Preference Shares, or the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine whether it conforms substantially on its face to the applicable requirements of this Section 2.5. To the extent applicable to the Issuer, the Issuer may impose additional transfer restrictions to comply with the USA PATRIOT Act and any other applicable anti-money laundering laws and regulations, and any such transfer restrictions shall be binding on each Preference Shareholder. The Issuer shall notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar of the imposition of any such transfer restrictions.
- (i) Any purported transfer of Preference Shares not in accordance with this Section 2.5 shall be treated as null and void *ab initio* and shall not be given effect for any purpose hereunder, and the Share Registrar shall not register any such purported transfer and shall not register or deliver such Preference Share Certificates. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be held responsible for any losses that may be incurred as a result of any required transfer under this Section 2.5.



### **Mutilated, Defaced, Destroyed, Lost or Stolen Preference Shares**

- 2.6 If (a) any mutilated or defaced Preference Share Certificate is surrendered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, or if there shall be delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar evidence to their reasonable satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of any Preference Share Certificate, and (b) there is delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Share Registrar and the Issuer such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them and any of their agents harmless, then, in the absence of notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Share Registrar that such Preference Shares represented by such Preference Share Certificate have been acquired by a bona fide purchaser, the Issuer shall execute and, upon Issuer Order, the Share Registrar shall register and deliver, in lieu of any such mutilated, defaced, destroyed, lost or stolen Preference Share Certificate, a new Preference Share Certificate, registered in the same manner, dated the date of its registration and bearing a number not contemporaneously outstanding.

If, after delivery of such new Preference Share Certificate, a bona fide purchaser of the Preference Shares represented by the predecessor Preference Share Certificate presents for payment, transfer or exchange such predecessor Preference Share Certificate, the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar shall be entitled to recover such new Preference Share Certificate from the Person to whom it was delivered or any Person taking therefrom, and shall be entitled to recover upon the security or indemnity provided therefor to the extent of any loss, damage, cost or expense incurred by the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar in connection therewith.

In case the Preference Shares represented by any such mutilated, defaced, destroyed, lost or stolen Preference Share Certificate have become due and payable, the Issuer in its discretion may, instead of issuing a new Preference Share Certificate, pay the registered Holder of such Preference Shares represented by such Preference Share Certificate without requiring surrender of such Preference Share Certificate except that any mutilated or defaced Preference Share Certificate shall be surrendered.

Upon the issuance of any new Preference Share Certificate under this Section 2.6, the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or Share Registrar may require the payment by the registered Holder thereof of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation thereto and any other expenses (including the fees and expenses of the Preference Shares Paying Agent) connected therewith.

The provisions of this Section 2.6 with respect to the rights and remedies of the Issuer are exclusive and shall preclude (to the extent lawful) all other rights and

remedies with respect to the replacement or payment of mutilated, defaced, destroyed, lost or stolen Preference Shares.

**Preference Share Accounts and any Distribution on Preference Shares**

2.7(a) (i) **Establishment of Ordinary Shares Account.** The Board of Directors of the Issuer shall establish the Ordinary Shares Account. If invested, any and all funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Ordinary Shares Account shall be invested in Eligible Investments.

(ii) **Establishment of Preference Shares Distribution Account.** The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, prior to the Closing Date, establish a single, segregated securities account (which may include any number of sub-accounts deemed necessary or advisable by the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the administration of such securities account), which may be maintained at the Corporate Trust Office, and which shall be designated as the Preference Shares Distribution Account, for the benefit of the Issuer. On each Payment Date and the Redemption Date, the Trustee will be required to pay to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account, an amount equal to all amounts payable by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for deposit to the Preference Shares Distribution Account pursuant to Sections 11.1(a)(i)(23), 11.1(a)(i)(25), 11.1(a)(ii)(11) and 11.1(a)(ii)(15) of the Indenture. On the Redemption Date, the Trustee will be required to pay to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account an amount equal to all remaining proceeds of the Collateral, after all deductions according to the Priority of Payments set forth in the Indenture. Any and all funds at any time on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Preference Shares Distribution Account shall be invested at the written direction of the Servicer (or, if no Servicing Agreement or replacement therefor remains in effect, the Issuer) in Eligible Investments having stated maturities no later than the Business Day immediately preceding the next Payment Date in trust by the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the benefit of the Issuer and earnings thereon shall also be available for distribution on the Preference Shares. Payments shall be made from the Preference Shares Distribution Account only in accordance with the provisions set forth below. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no liability for investment losses on any such investment made pursuant to the direction of the Servicer, and in the absence of such direction the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be under any obligation to invest (or otherwise pay interest on) amounts held hereunder.

(b) **Payment of Distributions to the Preference Shareholders.** The Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, unless redeemed prior thereto. On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares, pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally

permitted, to the extent of available Principal Proceeds as described under Sections 11.1(a)(ii)(11)(A), 11.1(a)(ii)(14) and 11.1(a)(ii)(15).

Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment of dividends on, or the payment of the Redemption Price in respect of, the Preference Shares, will be distributable to the Holders of the Preference Shares only if the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distribution and Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment of dividends in respect of the Preference Shares will be distributable to the Holders of the Preference Shares only if the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium and if the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distribution. Payments will be paid by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for payment of dividends and other distributions to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, on a pro rata basis according to the number of Preference Shares held by each Holder on the Record Date for such Payment Date.

- (c) **Distribution of the Redemption Amount.** On the Redemption Date, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall distribute or effect the redemption of Preference Shares and make payments to the Preference Shareholders, *pro rata* according to the number of Preference Shares held by each Preference Shareholder, of the Redemption Amount from amounts available in the Preference Shares Distribution Account. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Redemption Amount shall be payable out of distributable profits and/or share premium and shall be subject to the Issuer being able to pay its debts as they become due in the ordinary course of business immediately prior to, and after giving effect to, such payment, as determined by the Issuer. For purposes of this subsection (c), a determination as to whether the Issuer is solvent on the Redemption Date shall be made (A) after giving effect to any payments to be made on the Redemption Date and (B) in light of the fact that the obligations of the Issuer to the Noteholders, the other Secured Parties and the other Persons subject to the Priority of Payments are limited in recourse to the Collateral, and not to amounts (i) in the Preference Shares Distribution Account, (ii) any other amounts released from the Collateral in accordance with the Indenture and held by or on behalf of the Issuer for the benefit of the Preference Shareholders or (iii) amounts on deposit in the Ordinary Shares Account (as notified to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by the Issuer), and that after the assets in the Collateral are exhausted, such parties will have no further claim against the Issuer. The Issuer shall notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing if the condition set forth in the preceding sentence is not satisfied with respect to any portion of the Redemption Amount at least two Business Days prior to the Redemption Date, and following receipt of such notice such portion will not be paid on the Preference Shares until the first succeeding Business Day upon which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing that such

condition is again satisfied (such notice to be given by the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent as soon as the condition is again satisfied) and the amounts so retained in the Preference Shares Distribution Account will be held for the benefit of the Issuer until such amounts are paid. Notwithstanding the above, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be deemed to make any representation or determination regarding the permissibility or legality of any distribution to the Preference Shareholders, the responsibility for which shall remain with the Issuer.

Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment of dividends on, or the payment of the Redemption Price in respect of, the Preference Shares, will be distributable to the Holders of the Preference Shares only if the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distribution and Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment of dividends in respect of the Preference Shares will be distributable to the Holders of the Preference Shares only if the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium and if the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distribution, as determined by the Issuer. If the condition set forth in the preceding sentence is not satisfied with respect to any portion of any payment of dividends or Redemption Price in respect of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent thereof in writing at least two Business Days prior to the date such dividends or Redemption price are to be paid, and following receipt of such notice such portion shall not be paid until the first succeeding Business Day upon which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing that such condition is again satisfied (such notice to be given by the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent as soon as the condition is again satisfied), and the amounts so retained in the Preference Shares Distribution Account will be held for the benefit of the Issuer until such amounts are paid. Notwithstanding the above, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be deemed to make any representation or determination regarding the permissibility or legality of any distribution to the Preference Shareholders, the responsibility of which shall remain with the Issuer. Payments will be paid by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for payment of dividends and other distributions to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted (as provided above), on a pro rata basis according to the number of Preference Shares held by each Holder on the Record Date for such Payment Date.

- (d) **Payments upon Liquidation.** The Preference Shares Paying Agent, in accordance with the written direction of the Issuer, in connection with a liquidation of the Issuer's assets pursuant to the winding-up provisions of the Issuer Charter, shall distribute the balance in the Preference Shares Distribution Account to the Preference Shareholders.
- (e) **Payments Pro Rata; No Payments From Ordinary Shares Account.**

Payments to the Holders of the Preference Shares shall be made on a *pro rata* basis according to the number of Preference Shares held by each Holder. Holders of the Preference Shares shall not be entitled to receive any distribution from funds deposited in the Ordinary Shares Account.

The Preference Shares Paying Agent agrees to give each of the Issuer and the Servicer prompt notice if it becomes aware that the Preference Shares Distribution Account or any funds on deposit therein, or otherwise to the credit of the Preference Shares Distribution Account, shall become subject to any writ, order, judgment, warrant of attachment, execution or similar process. In addition, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall provide notice to the Issuer and the Servicer in the event that any portion of the Preference Share Dividend Amount or Redemption Amount is not distributed to the Preference Shareholders. None of the Trustee, the Noteholders or the other Secured Parties shall have any legal, equitable or beneficial interest in the Preference Shares Distribution Account or any amounts on deposit therein, and amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account shall not be used to pay amounts owed to any Person, other than the Preference Shareholders, except as required by the laws of the Cayman Islands.

- (f) All payments of dividends and any final distribution or redemption of payment on the Preference Shares shall be made in Dollars, and, in the case of a redemption of the Preference Shares, shall be made only upon the surrender of the Preference Share Certificates representing the Preference Shares at the Corporate Trust Office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent. All of such payments shall be made by Dollar check drawn by the Preference Shares Paying Agent on an account maintained by it and shall be mailed by first-class mail, postage prepaid or, at the option of the relevant Preference Shareholder, by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a U.S. Dollar account maintained by the Holder thereof from an account maintained by the Preference Shares Paying Agent (subject to usual and necessary banking procedures regarding Dollar denominated accounts), subject in all cases to any tax, fiscal or other laws or regulations applicable in the place of payment. Any Preference Shareholder desiring to receive a wire transfer payment shall deliver a written request therefor to the Preference Shares Paying Agent setting forth the numbers of the Preference Shares held by it and for which it desires to receive payment by wire transfer and specifying the banking institution and Dollar account number (with any other appropriate information necessary to enable the Preference Shares Paying Agent to transmit such payment and to assure proper credit to such Holder's account) to which such payments are to be transferred. A record of each payment made shall be maintained by or on behalf of the Preference Shares Paying Agent in accordance with its customary procedures, and such record shall be *prima facie* evidence that the payment in question has been made. The Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be fully protected in relying upon any such request in making payments on the Preference Shares, and any payment

transmitted in accordance with such request shall be deemed to have been made upon transmission thereof to the banking institution identified in such request.

### **Persons Deemed Owners**

2.8 The Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem and treat any registered Preference Shareholder as the absolute owner of such Preference Share, notwithstanding any notation of ownership or other writing on any Preference Share Certificate, for the purpose of receiving dividends thereon and the Redemption Amount thereof and for all other purposes, and neither the Issuer nor the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be affected by any notice to the contrary. All such payments so made to such Preference Shareholder or upon such Preference Shareholder's order shall be valid and, to the extent of the sum or sums so paid, effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability for the monies payable upon any such Preference Share.

### **Cancellation**

2.9 All Preference Share Certificates surrendered for redemption, registration of transfer or exchange or deemed lost or stolen, shall, if surrendered to any Person other than the Share Registrar, be delivered to the Share Registrar, but, in any case, shall be promptly canceled by the Share Registrar and may not be reissued or resold. All canceled Preference Share Certificates held by the Share Registrar shall be held by the Share Registrar in accordance with its standard retention policy unless the Issuer shall direct by an Issuer Order that they be returned to it. Upon redemption of any Preference Share Certificates, the name of the Holder thereof shall, in respect of such Preference Shares, be removed from the Preference Share Register, and such Preference Shareholder shall cease to be entitled to any rights in respect thereof, except the right to receive the Redemption Amount and any dividend which was due and payable prior to such redemption.

### **Required Sale of a Preference Share by the Holder Upon the Occurrence of Certain Circumstances**

2.10 (a) If, notwithstanding the restrictions on transfer contained herein, the Issuer determines that any beneficial owner of a Preference Share was not both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser, at the time it acquired such Preference Share (or interest therein), then the Issuer may require, by notice to such beneficial owner, that such beneficial owner sell all of its right, title and interest in and to such Preference Share held by it to a Person that is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser, with such sale to be effected within 30 days after notice of such sale requirement is given. If a Preference Shareholder fails to effect a sale of Preference Shares within 30 days, upon direction from the Servicer or the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of and at the expense of the Issuer, shall cause such Holder's Preference Share to be transferred in a commercially reasonable sale (conducted by an investment bank retained by the Preference Shares Paying Agent at the expense of the Issuer in accordance with Section 9-610 of the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect

in the State of New York as applied to securities that are sold on a recognized market or are the subject of widely distributed price quotations) to a Person that certifies to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Issuer and the Servicer that it is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser and provides the other acknowledgments, representations and agreements set forth in the Transfer Certificate. No payments will be made on such Preference Shares from the date notice of the sale requirement is sent to the date on which such Preference Shares are sold.

(b) If, notwithstanding the above, the Issuer or the Share Registrar determines that a Benefit Plan Investor has acquired Preference Shares in violation of Section 2.4(f), the Issuer shall require, by notice to such Benefit Plan Investor, that such Benefit Plan Investor sell all of its right, title and interest in or to such Preference Shares in accordance with this Agreement with such sale to be effected within 30 days after notice of such sale requirement is given. If such Benefit Plan Investor fails to effect the transfer or exchange required within such 30-day period, upon direction from the Servicer or the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of and at the expense of the Issuer, shall cause such Holder's Preference Share to be transferred in a commercially reasonable sale (conducted by an investment bank retained by the Preference Shares Paying Agent at the expense of the Issuer in accordance with Section 9-610 of the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the State of New York as applied to securities that are sold on a recognized market or are the subject of widely distributed price quotations) to a Person that qualifies as a purchaser of such Preference Shares pursuant to this Agreement and provides the other acknowledgments, representations and agreements set forth in the Transfer Certificate. No payments will be made on such Preference Shares from the date notice of the sale requirement is sent to the date on which such Preference Shares are sold.

## **THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT**

### **Certain Duties and Responsibilities**

- 3.1(a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent undertakes to perform such duties and only such duties as are specifically set forth in this Agreement, and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Agreement against the Preference Shares Paying Agent.
- (b) In the absence of bad faith on its part, the Preference Shares Paying Agent may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements and the correctness of the opinions expressed therein, upon certificates or opinions furnished to the Preference Shares Paying Agent and conforming to the requirements of this Agreement; **provided** that, in the case of any such certificates or opinions which by any provision hereof are specifically required to be furnished to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be under a duty to examine the same to determine whether or not they substantially conform on their face to the requirements of this Agreement and shall promptly, but in any event within three Business Days in the case of an Officer's certificate furnished by the

Issuer, notify the party delivering the same if such certificate or opinion does not conform. If a corrected form shall not have been delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent within 15 days after such notice from the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall so notify the Preference Shareholders.

- (c) No provision of this Agreement shall be construed to relieve the Preference Shares Paying Agent from liability for its own grossly negligent action, its own grossly negligent failure to act, bad faith or its own willful misconduct, except that:
  - (i) this subclause (c) shall not be construed to limit the effect of subclause (a) of this Section 3.1;
  - (ii) the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by a Responsible Officer, unless it shall be proven that the Preference Shares Paying Agent was grossly negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts;
  - (iii) the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be liable with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in good faith in accordance with the direction of the Issuer, the Servicer, the Share Registrar and/or the Preference Shareholders to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in accordance with this Agreement under circumstances in which such direction is required or permitted by the terms of this Agreement;
  - (iv) no provision of this Agreement shall require the Preference Shares Paying Agent to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any financial liability in the performance of any of its duties hereunder, or in the exercise of any of its rights or powers contemplated hereunder, if it shall have reasonable grounds for believing that repayment of such funds or adequate indemnity against such risk or liability is not reasonably assured to it unless such risk or liability relates to performance of its ordinary services under this Agreement; and
  - (v) notwithstanding any other provision herein, in no event shall the Preference Shares Paying Agent be liable for special, indirect or consequential loss or damage of any kind whatsoever (including but not limited to lost profits), even if the Preference Shares Paying Agent has been advised of such loss or damage regardless of the form of action.
- (d) Whether or not therein expressly so provided, every provision of this Agreement relating to the conduct or affecting the liability of or affording protection to the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be subject to the provisions of this Section 3.1.



- (e) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, upon reasonable prior written notice (but no less than two Business Days) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent substantially in the form of Exhibit C hereto, permit any representative of a Preference Shareholder, during the Preference Shares Paying Agent's normal business hours, to examine all books of account, records, reports and other papers of the Preference Shares Paying Agent relating to the Preference Shares, to make copies and extracts therefrom (the reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in making any such copies or extracts to be reimbursed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by such Holder) and to discuss the Preference Shares Paying Agent's actions, as such actions relate to the Preference Shares Paying Agent's duties with respect to the Preference Shares, with the Preference Shares Paying Agent's officers and employees responsible for carrying out the Preference Shares Paying Agent's duties with respect to the Preference Shares.

### **Certain Rights of Preference Shares Paying Agent**

3.2 Except as otherwise provided in Section 3.1:

- (a) the Preference Shares Paying Agent may rely and shall be protected in acting or refraining from acting upon any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, bond, note or other paper or document reasonably believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties;
- (b) any request or direction of the Issuer mentioned herein shall be sufficiently evidenced by an Issuer Order;
- (c) whenever in the administration of this Agreement the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deem it desirable that a matter be proved or established prior to taking, suffering, determining or omitting any action hereunder, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (unless other evidence be herein specifically prescribed) may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely upon an Officer's certificate;
- (d) as a condition to the taking, determining or omitting of any action by it hereunder, the Preference Shares Paying Agent may consult with counsel and the advice of such counsel or any Opinion of Counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection in respect of any action taken or omitted by it hereunder in good faith and in reliance thereon;
- (e) the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be under no obligation to exercise or to honor any of the rights or powers vested in it by this Agreement at the request or direction of any of the Preference Shareholders pursuant to this Agreement unless such Preference Shareholders shall have offered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent reasonable security or indemnity against the costs, expenses and liabilities which might reasonably be incurred by it in compliance with such request or direction;

- (f) the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be bound to make any investigation into the facts or matters stated in any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, bond, note or other paper documents, but the Preference Shares Paying Agent, in its discretion, may, and, upon the written direction of a Majority of Preference Shareholders, shall, make such further inquiry or investigation into such facts or matters as it may see fit or as it shall be directed, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be entitled, on reasonable prior notice to the Issuer and the Servicer, to examine the books and records of the Issuer and the Servicer relating to the Preference Shares and the Collateral, personally or by agent or attorney at a time acceptable to the Issuer or the Servicer in their reasonable judgment during normal business hours; **provided** that the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, and shall cause its agents to, hold in confidence all such information, except (i) to the extent disclosure may be required by law, by any regulatory authority or by the documents delivered pursuant to or in connection with this Agreement and the Preference Shares and (ii) to the extent that the Preference Shares Paying Agent, in its sole judgment, may determine that such disclosure is consistent with its obligations hereunder;
- (g) the Preference Shares Paying Agent may execute any of the trusts or powers hereunder or perform any duties hereunder either directly or by or through agents or attorneys; **provided** that the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be responsible for any misconduct or negligence on the part of any agent (other than any Affiliate of the Preference Shares Paying Agent) appointed and supervised, or attorney appointed, with due care by it hereunder;
- (h) the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be liable for any action it takes or omits to take in good faith that it reasonably believes to be authorized or within its rights or powers hereunder;
- (i) to the extent permitted by law, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be required to give any bond or surety in respect of the execution of this Agreement or otherwise; and
- (j) the permissive right of the Preference Shares Paying Agent to take or refrain from taking any actions enumerated in this Agreement shall not be construed as a duty.

### **Not Responsible for Recitals or Issuance of Preference Shares**

3.3 The recitals contained herein and in the Preference Shares shall be taken as the statements of the Issuer, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent does not assume responsibility for their correctness. The Preference Shares Paying Agent does not make any representation as to the validity or sufficiency of this Agreement (except as may be made with respect to the validity of its obligations hereunder) or the Preference Shares. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be accountable for the use or application by the Issuer of the Preference Shares or the proceeds thereof or any Money paid to the Preference Shares pursuant to the provisions hereof.

### **May Hold Preference Shares**

3.4 The Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Share Registrar or any other agent of the Issuer, in its individual or any other capacity, may become the owner or pledgee of Preference Shares, and may otherwise deal with the Issuer or any of its Affiliates, with the same rights it would have if it were not the Preference Shares Paying Agent, Share Registrar or such other agent.

### **Money Held in Trust**

3.5 The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be under no liability for interest on any Money received by it hereunder except as otherwise agreed upon with the Issuer and except to the extent of income or other gain on investments which are deposits in or certificates of deposit of the Preference Shares Paying Agent in its commercial capacity and income or other gain actually received by the Preference Shares Paying Agent on amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

### **Compensation and Reimbursement**

3.6(a) The Issuer agrees, subject to the Priority of Payments under the Indenture:

- (i) to pay the Preference Shares Paying Agent on each Payment Date reasonable compensation for all services rendered by it hereunder in accordance with a separate written agreement between the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent;
- (ii) except as otherwise expressly provided herein, to reimburse the Preference Shares Paying Agent (subject to any written agreement between the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent) in a timely manner upon its request for all reasonable expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or made by the Preference Shares Paying Agent in accordance with any provision of this Agreement or in the enforcement of any provision hereof; and
- (iii) to indemnify the Preference Shares Paying Agent and its Officers, directors, employees and agents for, and to hold them harmless against, any loss, liability or expense (including reasonable counsel fees) arising out of or in connection with the performance of its obligations hereunder, including the costs and expenses of defending themselves against any claim or liability in connection with the exercise or performance of any of their powers or duties hereunder except to the extent of any such loss, liability or expense caused by the gross negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith of the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any of its Officers, directors, employees or agents.

- (b) The Issuer shall remit payment for such fees and expenses to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in accordance with the Priority of Payments or, upon satisfaction and discharge of the Indenture, the Preference Shares Paying Agent may from time to time deduct payment of its fees and expenses hereunder from Moneys on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account.
- (c) The Preference Shares Paying Agent hereby agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer for the non-payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent of any amounts provided by this Section 3.6 until at least one year and one day, or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect (including any period established pursuant to the laws of the Cayman Islands) (plus one day), after the payment in full of all Notes issued under the Indenture and of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares. The indemnifications in favor of the Preference Shares Paying Agent in this Section 3.6 shall survive any resignation or removal of any Person acting as Preference Shares Paying Agent (to the extent of any indemnified liabilities, costs, expenses and other amounts arising or incurred prior to, or arising out of actions or omissions occurring prior to, such resignation or removal). The provisions of this Section 3.6(c) shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

#### **Corporate Preference Shares Paying Agent Required; Eligibility**

3.7 There shall at all times be a Preference Shares Paying Agent under this Agreement which shall be a corporation, association or trust company organized and doing business under the laws of the United States or of any State thereof, authorized under such laws to exercise corporate trust powers, having a combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000, subject to supervision or examination by federal or state authority, having a rating of at least "Baa1" by Moody's and "BBB+" by Standard and Poor's and having an office within the United States. If such corporation publishes reports of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or to the requirements of the aforesaid supervising or examining authority, then, for the purposes of this Section 3.7, the combined capital and surplus of such corporation shall be deemed to be its combined capital and surplus as set forth in its most recent report of condition so published. If at any time the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall cease to be eligible in accordance with the provisions of this Section 3.7, it shall resign immediately in the manner and with the effect hereinafter specified in this Section 3.

#### **Resignation and Removal; Appointment of Successor**

- 3.8(a) No resignation or removal of the Preference Shares Paying Agent and no appointment of a successor Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to this Section 3 shall become effective until the acceptance of appointment by the successor Preference Shares Paying Agent under Section 3.9.
- (b) Any provision of this Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding, the Preference Shares Paying Agent may resign at any time by giving written notice thereof to

the Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shareholders and the Servicer. Upon receiving such notice of resignation, the Issuer shall promptly appoint a successor Preference Shares Paying Agent, by written instrument, in duplicate, executed by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, one copy of which shall be delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent so resigning and one copy to the successor Preference Shares Paying Agent, together with a copy to each Preference Shareholder; **provided** that such successor Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be appointed by the Issuer only upon the written consent of a Majority of Preference Shareholders. If no successor Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have been appointed and an instrument of acceptance by a successor Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not have been delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent within 60 days after the giving of such notice of resignation, the resigning Preference Shares Paying Agent or any Holder of a Preference Share, on behalf of itself and all others similarly situated, may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Preference Shares Paying Agent.

- (c) The Preference Shares Paying Agent may be removed at any time by the Issuer at the direction of a Majority of Preference Shareholders delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent and to the Issuer.
- (d) If at any time:
  - (i) the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall cease to be eligible under Section 3.7 and shall fail to resign after written request therefor by the Issuer or by any Preference Shareholder; or
  - (ii) the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall become incapable of acting or shall be adjudged as bankrupt or insolvent or a receiver or liquidator of the Preference Shares Paying Agent or of its property shall be appointed or any public officer shall take charge or control of the Preference Shares Paying Agent or of its property or affairs for the purpose of rehabilitation, conservation or liquidation,

then, in any such case, (A) the Issuer, by Issuer Order, may remove the Preference Shares Paying Agent or (B) subject to Section 3.8(a), any Preference Shareholder may, on behalf of itself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the appointment of a successor Preference Shares Paying Agent.

- (e) If the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall resign, be removed or become incapable of acting, or if a vacancy shall occur in the office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent for any reason, the Issuer, by Issuer Order, shall promptly appoint a successor Preference Shares Paying Agent. The successor Preference Shares Paying Agent so appointed shall, forthwith upon its acceptance of such appointment, become the successor Preference Shares Paying Agent. If no

successor Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have been so appointed at the direction of such Preference Shareholders or shall not have accepted appointment in the manner hereinafter provided, any Preference Shareholder may, on behalf of itself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Preference Shares Paying Agent.

- (f) The Issuer shall give prompt notice of each resignation and each removal of the Preference Shares Paying Agent and each appointment of a successor Preference Shares Paying Agent by mailing written notice of such event by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the Trustee, the Servicer and to the Preference Shareholders as their names and addresses appear in the Preference Share Register. Each notice shall include the name of the successor Preference Shares Paying Agent and the address of its Corporate Trust Office. If the Issuer fails to mail such notice within ten days after acceptance of appointment by the successor Preference Shares Paying Agent, the successor Preference Shares Paying Agent shall cause such notice to be given at the expense of the Issuer.

#### **Acceptance of Appointment by Successor**

3.9 Every successor Preference Shares Paying Agent appointed hereunder shall execute, acknowledge and deliver to the Issuer and the retiring Preference Shares Paying Agent an instrument accepting such appointment. Upon delivery of the required instruments, the resignation or removal of the retiring Preference Shares Paying Agent shall become effective and such successor Preference Shares Paying Agent, without any other act, deed or conveyance, shall become vested with all the rights, powers, trusts, duties and obligations of the retiring Preference Shares Paying Agent; but, on request of the Issuer or a Majority of Preference Shareholders or the successor Preference Shares Paying Agent, such retiring Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, upon payment of its charges, fees, indemnities and expenses then unpaid, execute and deliver an instrument transferring to such successor Preference Shares Paying Agent all the rights, powers and trusts of the retiring Preference Shares Paying Agent, and shall duly assign, transfer and deliver to such successor Preference Shares Paying Agent all property and Money held by such retiring Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder. Upon request of any such successor Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Issuer shall execute any and all instruments for more fully and certainly vesting in and confirming to such successor Preference Shares Paying Agent all such rights, powers and trusts.

No successor Preference Shares Paying Agent shall accept its appointment unless at the time of such acceptance such successor shall (a) have long term debt rated at least "Baa1" by Moody's, (b) be qualified and eligible under this Section 3 and (c) be located in a jurisdiction that will not subject payments on the Preference Shares to withholding tax as a result of the successor Preference Shares Paying Agent being located therein. No appointment of a successor Preference Shares Paying Agent shall become effective if a Majority of Preference Shareholders objects to such appointment and no appointment of a successor shall become effective until the date ten days after notice of such appointment has been given to each Preference Shareholder.

### **Merger, Conversion, Consolidation or Succession to Business of Preference Shares Paying Agent**

3.10 Any Person into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any Person resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be a party, or any Person succeeding to all or substantially all of the corporate trust business of the Preference Shares Paying Agent, shall be the successor of the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder; **provided** such Person shall be otherwise qualified and eligible under this Section 3, without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto.

### **Representations and Warranties of the Bank**

3.11(a) **Organization.** The Bank has been duly organized and is duly incorporated and validly existing as a trust company under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and has the power to conduct its business and affairs as the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

(b) **Authorization; Binding Obligations.** The Bank has the corporate power and authority to perform the duties and obligations of Preference Shares Paying Agent under this Agreement. The Bank has taken all necessary corporate action to authorize the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement, and all of the documents required to be executed by the Bank pursuant hereto. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by the Bank. Upon execution and delivery by the Issuer, this Agreement will constitute the legal, valid and binding obligation of the Bank enforceable in accordance with its terms.

(c) **Eligibility.** The Bank is eligible under Section 3.7 to serve as Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder.

(d) **No Conflict.** Neither the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement, nor the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, (i) is prohibited by, or requires the Bank to obtain any consent, authorization, approval or registration under, any law, statute, rule, regulation, judgment, order, writ, injunction or decree that is binding upon the Bank or any of its properties or assets, or (ii) will violate any provision of, result in any default or acceleration of any obligations under, result in the creation or imposition of any lien pursuant to, or require any consent under, any agreement to which the Bank is a party or by which it or any of its property is bound.

(e) **No Proceedings.** There are no proceedings pending, or to the best knowledge of the Bank, threatened, against the Bank before any federal, state or other governmental agency, authority, administrator or regulatory body, arbitrator, court or other tribunal, foreign or domestic, that could have a material adverse effect on the ability of the Bank to perform its duties under this Agreement.

## **Withholding**

3.12 If any withholding tax is imposed on the Issuer's payment (or allocations of income) under the Preference Shares to any Preference Shareholder or beneficial owner, such tax shall reduce the amount otherwise distributable to such Preference Shareholder or beneficial owner. The Preference Shares Paying Agent is hereby authorized and directed to retain from amounts otherwise distributable to any Preference Shareholder sufficient funds for the payment of any tax that is legally owed or required to be withheld by the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (but such authorization shall not prevent the Preference Shares Paying Agent from contesting any such tax in appropriate proceedings and withholding payment of such tax, if permitted by law, pending the outcome of such proceedings) and to remit such amounts to the appropriate taxing authority. The amount of any withholding tax imposed with respect to the amount paid (or allocated to) any Preference Shareholder or beneficial owner shall be treated as cash distributed to such Preference Shareholder at the time it is withheld by the Preference Shares Paying Agent. If there is a possibility that withholding tax is payable with respect to a distribution, the Preference Shares Paying Agent may in its sole discretion withhold such amounts in accordance with this Section 3.12. If any Preference Shareholder wishes to apply for a refund of any such withholding tax, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall provide to the Preference Shareholder readily available information so long as such Preference Shareholder agrees to reimburse the Preference Shares Paying Agent for any out of pocket expenses incurred.

As a condition to the payment of any distribution or other amount on any Preference Share without the imposition of withholding tax, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall require the delivery of properly completed and signed applicable tax certifications (generally, in the case of U.S. federal income tax, an Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a person that is a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code or the applicable Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a person that is not a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) and such other certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to pay, deduct or withhold in respect of such Preference Share or the Holder or beneficial owner of such Preference Share under any present or future law or regulation of the Cayman Islands, the United States or any political subdivision thereof or taxing authority therein or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under any such law or regulation.

The Preference Shares Paying Agent hereby provides notice to each Preference Shareholder and beneficial owner that the failure of such Preference Shareholder and beneficial owner to provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with appropriate tax certifications may result in amounts being withheld from payments to such Preference Shareholder under this Agreement (and that amounts withheld pursuant to applicable tax laws shall be considered as having been paid by the Issuer as provided above).



Nothing herein shall impose an obligation on the part of the Preference Shares Paying Agent beyond any obligation so imposed under applicable law to determine the amount of any tax or withholding obligation on the part of the Issuer or in respect of the Preference Shares. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall give prompt notice of any such withholding to each Preference Shareholder.

## **DELIVERY OF THE PREFERENCE SHARE CERTIFICATES; OTHER COVENANTS**

### **Execution and Issuance of Preference Shares**

4.1 Preference Share Certificates shall be executed on behalf of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer and delivered to the Share Registrar, and thereupon the same shall be allotted, registered and delivered by the Share Registrar upon Issuer Order.

### **Maintenance of Office or Agency**

4.2 The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall maintain an office or agency in Boston, Massachusetts, where Preference Shares may be presented or surrendered for payment. The Preference Shares Paying Agent hereby initially appoints its office in Boston, currently located at 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code: EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116 as such office or agency. The Preference Shares Paying Agent will give prompt written notice to the Issuer and the Preference Shareholders of any change in this location. If at any time the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall fail to maintain any such office or agency, presentations and surrenders may be made or served at the Corporate Trust Office.

### **Purchase of Preference Shares**

4.3 Notwithstanding anything contained in this Agreement to the contrary, the Issuer shall not acquire Preference Shares in the open market, in privately negotiated transactions or otherwise.

### **Delivery of Copies of Issuer Charter and Preference Shares Paying Agent Agreement**

4.4 The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver to each Holder of Preference Shares a copy of the Issuer Charter and, upon request of any such Holder, a copy of this Agreement.

## **AMENDMENTS TO INDENTURE**

### **Supplemental Indentures**

5.1 The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall send by fax/overnight courier to each Preference Shareholder a copy of any proposed supplemental indenture promptly following receipt by the Preference Shares Paying Agent of such proposed supplemental

indenture from the Trustee pursuant to Section 8.1 or Section 8.2 of the Indenture. Unless notified by the Issuer acting at the direction of a Majority of Preference Shareholders that the Preference Shares shall be materially and adversely affected, the Preference Shares Paying Agent may rely on the written advice of counsel as to whether or not the rights of the Preference Shareholders would be materially and adversely affected by such change (after giving notice of such change to the Preference Shareholders). Such determination shall be conclusive and binding on all present and future Preference Shareholders. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be liable for relying in good faith upon an Opinion of Counsel delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

It shall not be necessary for a Majority of Preference Shareholders under this Section 5.1 to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if a Majority of Preference Shareholders shall approve the substance thereof.

Promptly after the receipt by the Preference Shares Paying Agent of any supplemental indenture executed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 8.1 or Section 8.2 of the Indenture, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, at the expense of the Issuer, mail to the Preference Shareholders a copy thereof. Any failure of the Preference Shares Paying Agent to mail such notice, or any defect therein, shall not, however, in any way impair or affect the validity of any such supplemental indenture.

#### **Reliance by Preference Shareholders**

5.2 Without limiting the generality of Section 5.1, the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent acknowledge and agree that (a) the agreements and obligations of the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent under this Section 5 shall be deemed made for the benefit of the Preference Shareholders and (b) the Preference Shareholders are intended third-party beneficiaries of such agreements and obligations.

### **REDEMPTION OF PREFERENCE SHARES**

#### **Redemption**

6.1 On any Payment Date on or after the Payment Date on which the Notes have been paid in full, a Majority of Preference Shareholders may direct the Issuer to redeem the Preference Shares at a redemption price equal to the Redemption Amount. Such Redemption Amount shall be paid by the Trustee, on behalf of the Issuer, to the Preference Share Paying Agent for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account, and shall be distributed, together with any other amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account, to the Preference Shareholders, subject to the provisions of Section 2.7(c) and the laws of the Cayman Islands.

The Issuer shall (i) give notice to all Preference Shareholders upon the payment in full of the Notes, (ii) give notice of the Scheduled Preference Share Redemption Date and (iii) set the Redemption Date and the applicable Record Date for an optional redemption of

the Preference Shares and give notice thereof to the Preference Share Paying Agent pursuant to Section 6.2.

The Preference Shares shall be redeemed (in whole but not in part) on the Scheduled Preference Share Redemption Date (if not redeemed earlier) after payment in full of the Notes and after payment of all amounts payable under the Priority of Payments prior to the payment of the Preference Shares, at a redemption price equal to the Redemption Amount.

**Notice of Optional Redemption of Preference Shares by the Share Registrar**

6.2 In the event of any optional redemption of the Preference Shares pursuant to Section 6.1, the Share Registrar will communicate any distributions and payments made to the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

**Notice of Optional Redemption of Preference Shares by the Issuer**

6.3 The Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, shall provide notice of an optional redemption of the Preference Shares pursuant to Section 6.1 by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not less than 10 Business Days and not earlier than 30 days prior to the Redemption Date to each Preference Shareholder.

All notices of redemption or maturity shall state:

- (i) the Redemption Date; and
- (ii) the place or places where such Preference Shares to be redeemed are to be surrendered for the payment of the redemption price thereof, which shall be the office or agency of the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the New York Presenting Agent.

At the cost of the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall give notice of any withdrawal of a redemption of the Preference Shares by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery, sent not later than the third Business Day prior to the scheduled Redemption Date, to each Holder of a Preference Share to be redeemed at such Preference Shareholder's address in the Preference Share Register.

Notice of redemption of the Preference Shares shall be given by the Issuer or, at the Issuer's request, by the Preference Shares Paying Agent in the name and at the expense of the Issuer. Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to any Preference Shareholder selected for redemption shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Security.

**Optional Redemption of Preference Shares on the Redemption Date**

6.4 Upon the redemption of a Preference Share, the Holder thereof shall present and surrender such Preference Share at the place specified in the notice of redemption on or

prior to the applicable Redemption Date; **provided** that if there is delivered to the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender such Preference Share, then, in the absence of notice to the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent that the applicable Preference Share has been acquired by a bona fide purchaser, such final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender.

### **Redemption Following Liquidation**

6.5 Following the liquidation of the Issuer's assets pursuant to the Issuer Charter, the Preference Shares shall be redeemed (whether or not the Preference Shareholders thereof receive any payments in respect of such redemption) at the Redemption Amount.

## **REPORTS AND NOTICES TO PREFERENCE SHAREHOLDERS**

### **Reports; Rule 144A Information; Other Information**

- 7.1(a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver or make available on its website to each Preference Shareholder, promptly upon receipt from the Issuer, each Noteholder Report, each Monthly Report, each Accountant's Report and each other report or notice that is required to be delivered to all of the Noteholders pursuant to the Indenture. In addition, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall mail to each Preference Shareholder that delivers to the Preference Shares Paying Agent a written request therefor substantially in the form of Exhibit C hereto, a copy of the information relating to the Issuer requested therein, promptly following receipt of such information from the Issuer.
- (b) Upon the written request by the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall promptly mail to each Preference Shareholder or prospective purchaser of Preference Shares that has been designated by a Preference Shareholder any Rule 144A Information requested by such Preference Shareholder and delivered by the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent.
- (c) The Issuer and each Holder and beneficial owner of a Preference Share shall treat the Preference Shares as equity in the Issuer and the Notes as debt of the Issuer only, in each case for U.S. federal, and to the extent permitted by law, state and local income and franchise tax purposes, and further agrees to report all income (or loss) in accordance with such treatment and not to take any action inconsistent with such treatment unless otherwise required by any relevant taxing authority. Each Holder and beneficial owner of a Preference Share shall be deemed to have agreed to treat the Preference Shares as equity for U.S. federal, and to the extent permitted by law, state and local income and franchise tax purposes.
- (d) The Issuer shall provide to any Preference Shareholder or beneficial owner in a timely manner, (i) all information that a person making a "qualified electing fund" election (as defined in the Code) is required to obtain for U.S. federal income tax

- purposes, (ii) a "PFIC Annual Information Statement" as described in U.S. Treasury Regulations Section 1.1295-1(g)(1) (or any U.S. successor Internal Revenue Service release or U.S. Treasury Regulation), including all representations and statements required by such statement, and will take any other steps necessary to facilitate such election by a Preference Shareholder or beneficial owner, (iii) information required by a Preference Shareholder or beneficial owner to satisfy its obligations, if any, under U.S. Treasury Regulations Section 1.6011-4 with respect to transactions undertaken by the Issuer and (iv) a U.S. Internal Revenue Service Form 5471 (or successor form) and any other information that such Person reasonably requests to assist such Person with regard to any information return filing requirements the Person may have under the Code as a result of owning Preference Shares.
- (e) The Issuer will not elect to be treated as other than an association taxable as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes.
  - (f) The Issuer will treat each purchase of Collateral Obligations as a "purchase" for tax, accounting and reporting purposes.
  - (g) The Issuer and Co-Issuer shall file, or cause to be filed, any tax returns, including information returns, required by any governmental authority.

### **Notices to Preference Shareholders**

7.2 The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall provide to the Preference Shareholders promptly after receipt thereof all other notices provided to the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the terms of the Indenture, including notice of any Event of Default under the Indenture, notice of resignation or removal of the Trustee, notice of a downgrade of any Class of Notes by either Rating Agency (as defined in the Indenture) and notice of any proposed or executed supplemental indenture, in each case in accordance with Section 8.5.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

### **Amendments**

8.1(a) This Agreement may be amended by the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent without the consent of any of the Preference Shareholders for the purpose of curing any ambiguity, or of curing, correcting or supplementing any defective provision contained therein, or in regard to matters or questions arising herein as the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem necessary or desirable and which shall not materially adversely affect the interests of Holders of the Preference Shares. In addition, this Agreement may be amended without the consent of any Holders of the Preference Shares and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Preference Shares in order to prevent the Issuer from becoming an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act or to

better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); **provided** that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such amendment, each of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer shall have received a customary Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such amendment, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

- (b) Subject to Section 8.1(a) above, this Agreement may also be amended from time to time by the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent with the consent of a Majority of Preference Shareholders materially and adversely affected thereby. Any amendment to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement must be in writing, executed by each party thereto. The Preference Shares Paying Agent is entitled to receive, and (subject to the terms of this Agreement) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an Opinion of Counsel, consent or certificate of the Issuer in determining whether or not any proposed amendment is permitted under this Agreement.

Any amendment to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement that would also necessitate a change to the Issuer Charter may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Issuer Charter) has been passed to permit the Issuer Charter to be altered to conform with such proposed amendment.

- (c) Promptly after the execution of any amendment or consent pursuant to this Section 8.1, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall furnish written notification of the substance of such amendment or consent to each Preference Shareholder. It shall not be necessary for the consent of Preference Shareholders pursuant to this Section 8.1 to approve the particular form of any proposed amendment or consent, but it shall be sufficient if such consent shall approve the substance thereof. The manner of obtaining such consents (and any other consents of Preference Shareholders under this Agreement) and of evidencing the authorization of the execution thereof by Preference Shareholders shall be subject to such reasonable requirements as the Preference Shares Paying Agent may prescribe.
- (d) Prior to the execution of any amendment to this Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be entitled to receive and rely upon (i) an Opinion of Counsel stating that the execution of such amendment is authorized or permitted by this Agreement and (ii) an Officer's Certificate of the Issuer that all conditions precedent to the execution of such amendment have been complied with.
- (e) Written notice of any amendment shall be promptly provided by the Issuer to the Rating Agencies.

### **Form of Documents Delivered to Preference Shares Paying Agent**

8.2 In any case where several matters are required to be certified by any specified Person, it is not necessary that all such matters be certified by only one such Person, or that they be so certified by only one document, but one such Person may certify with respect to some matters and one or more other such Persons as to other matters, and any such Person may certify as to such matters in one or several documents.

Any certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer may be based, insofar as it relates to legal matters, upon a certificate of or opinion of, or representations by, counsel, unless such Authorized Officer knows, or in the exercise of reasonable care should know, that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to the matters upon which his certificate is based are erroneous. Any such certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or Opinion of Counsel may be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, the Issuer, the Servicer or any other Person, stating that the information with respect to such factual matters is in the possession of the Issuer, the Servicer or such other Person, unless such Authorized Officer of the Issuer or such counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to such matters are erroneous. Any Opinion of Counsel may also be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, stating that the information with respect to such matters is in the possession of the Issuer, unless such counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to such matters are erroneous.

Where any Person is required to make, give or execute two or more applications, requests, consents, certificates, statements, opinions or other instruments under this Agreement, they may, but need not, be consolidated and form one instrument.

### **Acts of Holders**

8.3(a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided by this Agreement to be given or taken by Preference Shareholders may be embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments of substantially similar tenor signed by such Preference Shareholders in person or by a proxy duly appointed in writing and, except as otherwise expressly provided herein, such action shall become effective when such instrument or instruments are delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, and, where it is hereby expressly required, to the Issuer. Such instrument or instruments (and the action or actions embodied therein and evidenced thereby are herein sometimes referred to as the *Act* of the Preference Shareholders signing such instrument or instruments). Proof of execution of any such instrument or of a writing appointing any such proxy shall be sufficient for any purpose of this Agreement and conclusive in favor of the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Issuer, if made in the manner provided in this Section 8.3.

- (b) The fact and date of the execution by any Person of any such instrument or writing may be proved in any manner which the Preference Shares Paying Agent deems sufficient.
- (c) The registered numbers of Preference Shares held by any Person, and the date of such Person's holding the same, shall be proved by the Preference Share Register.
- (d) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action by any Preference Shareholders shall bind such Preference Shareholder (and any transferee of its Preference Shares ) and of every Preference Share issued upon the registration thereof or in exchange therefor or in lieu thereof, in respect of anything done, omitted or suffered to be done by the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Issuer in reliance thereon, whether or not notation of such action is made upon the Preference Share Certificate representing such Preference Share.

#### **Notices**

- 8.4 Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other documents provided or permitted by this Agreement to be made upon, given or furnished to, or filed with:
- (a) the Preference Shares Paying Agent by any Preference Shareholder, the Issuer, the Trustee or the Servicer shall be sufficient for every purpose hereunder if made, given, furnished or filed in writing to and mailed, by certified mail, return receipt requested, or sent by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery, or sent by confirmed facsimile transmission to the Preference Shares Paying Agent addressed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent at its Corporate Trust Office, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Preference Shareholders, the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer by the Preference Shares Paying Agent; or
  - (b) the Issuer or the Share Registrar by the Preference Shares Paying Agent or by any Preference Shareholder shall be sufficient for every purpose hereunder if in writing and mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, or sent by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery, or sent by confirmed facsimile transmission with simultaneous mailing of the original on the same day by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the Issuer addressed to the Issuer at c/o Maples Finance Limited, P.O. Box 1093 GT, Boundary Hall, Cricket Square, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, telecopy no. (345) 945-7100, or at any other address furnished in writing to the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Preference Shareholders by the Issuer; or
  - (c) the Servicer by any Preference Shareholder, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Issuer if in writing and mailed, by certified mail, return receipt requested, or sent by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery, or sent by confirmed



facsimile transmission with simultaneous mailing of the original on the same day by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the Servicer addressed to the Servicer at Two Galleria Tower, 13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300, Dallas, Texas 75240, telephone: (972) 628-4100, or at any other address furnished in writing to the Preference Shareholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Issuer by the Servicer.

- (d) the Rating Agencies by the Preference Shares Paying Agent if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to each Rating Agency addressed to it at Moody's Investors Service, Inc., 99 Church Street, New York, New York, 10007, Telecopy No. (212) 553-4170, [cdomonitoring@moodys.com](mailto:cdomonitoring@moodys.com), Attention: CBO/CLO Monitoring and Standard & Poor's, 55 Water Street, 41st Floor, New York, New York 10041-0003, telecopy no. (212) 438-2664, Attention: Asset Backed-CBO/CLO Surveillance and each Monthly Report and Valuation Report, together with the Excel Default Model Input File in each case, shall also be sent to S&P electronically to [CDO\\_Surveillance@standardandpoors.com](mailto:CDO_Surveillance@standardandpoors.com);

#### **Notices to Preference Shareholders; Waiver**

8.5 Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, where this Agreement provides for a report to Preference Shareholders or for a notice to Preference Shareholders of any event,

- (a) such report or notice shall be sufficiently given to Preference Shareholders if in writing and mailed, first class postage prepaid, to each Preference Shareholder affected by such event, at the address of such Preference Shareholder as it appears in the Preference Share Register, not earlier than the earliest date and not later than the latest date, prescribed for the giving of such report or notice; and
- (b) such report or notice shall be in the English language.

Such reports and notices will be deemed to have been given on the date of such mailing.

The Preference Shares Paying Agent will deliver to any Preference Shareholder shown on the Preference Share Register any readily available information or notice requested to be so delivered, at the expense of the Issuer.

Neither the failure to mail any notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Preference Shareholder shall affect the sufficiency of such notice with respect to other Preference Shareholders.

Where this Agreement provides for notice in any manner, such notice may be waived in writing by any Person entitled to receive such notice, either before or after the event, and such waiver shall be the equivalent of such notice. Waivers of notice by Preference Shareholders shall be filed with the Preference Shares Paying Agent but such filing shall

not be a condition precedent to the validity of any action taken in reliance upon such waiver.

In the event that, by reason of the suspension of the regular mail service as a result of a strike, work stoppage or similar activity, it shall be impractical to mail notice of any event to Preference Shareholders when such notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this Agreement, then any manner of giving such notice as shall be satisfactory to the Preference Shareholder shall be deemed to be a sufficient giving of such notice.

### **Effect of Headings and Table of Contents**

8.6 The Section headings herein and the Table of Contents are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction hereof.

### **Successors and Assigns**

8.7 All covenants and agreements in this Agreement by the Issuer shall bind its successors and assigns, whether so expressed or not.

### **Severability**

8.8 In case any provision in this Agreement shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable as written, such provision shall be construed in the manner most closely resembling the apparent intent of the parties with respect to such provision so as to be valid, legal and enforceable; **provided** that if there is no basis for such a construction, such provision shall be ineffective only to the extent of such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability and, unless the ineffectiveness of such provision substantially impairs the basis of the bargain for one of the parties to this Agreement, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions hereof or thereof shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

### **Benefits of Agreement**

8.9 Nothing in this Agreement, expressed or implied, shall give to any Person, other than the parties hereto and their successors hereunder and the Preference Shareholders of any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under this Agreement.

### **Governing Law**

8.10 This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with, and this Agreement and all matters arising out of or relating in any manner to this Agreement (whether in contract, tort or otherwise) shall be governed by, the law of the State of New York.

### **Submission to Jurisdiction**

8.11 The Co-Issuers, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar hereby irrevocably submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or federal court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Securities or this Indenture, and the Co-Issuers, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar hereby irrevocably agree that all claims in respect of the action or proceeding may be heard and determined in the New York State or federal court. The Co-Issuers, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar hereby irrevocably waive, to the fullest extent that they may legally do so, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of the action or proceeding. The Co-Issuers, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar irrevocably consent to the service of all process in any action or proceeding by the mailing or delivery of copies of the process to each such party at the address specified in Section 8.4 hereof. The Co-Issuers, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar agree that a final judgment in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

### **Counterparts**

8.12 This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which so executed shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

### **Termination**

8.13 This Agreement shall terminate after the Preference Shares have been redeemed in full or the assets of the Issuer have been liquidated and the Preference Shares Paying Agent has distributed all amounts remaining in the Preference Shares Distribution Account. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the rights and obligations of the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Issuer under Section 3.6 shall survive.

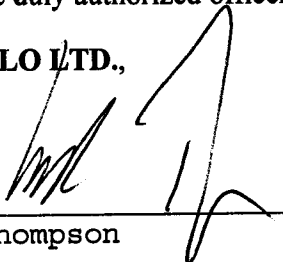
### **Limitation on Liability**

8.14 None of the respective shareholders, Officers, members or directors of the Issuer shall be liable for any of the obligations or agreements or breach thereof or any covenant, representation or warranty of the Issuer under this Agreement, and no recourse or action may be taken, directly or indirectly, with respect to any of the obligations or agreements or breach thereof of or any covenant, representation or warranty of the Issuer under this Agreement against any of the respective shareholders, Officers, members or directors of the Issuer, except that the foregoing will not relieve any person or entity from (x) any liability for any unpaid consideration for stock, any unpaid capital contribution or any unpaid capital call or other similar obligation or (y) any obligation, agreement or liability under any agreement or instrument other than this Agreement and that the foregoing will not limit service of process on the Issuer by delivery of notice on its behalf to the Issuer.

The Preference Shares Paying Agent hereby waives, releases and agrees not to sue upon any claim it may have and howsoever arising against any shareholder, member, director or officer of the Issuer, and the rights of the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be satisfied solely from the Collateral in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture (including Section 11.1 thereof) and following realization of the Collateral, any claims shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their respective duly authorized officers as of the date first above written.

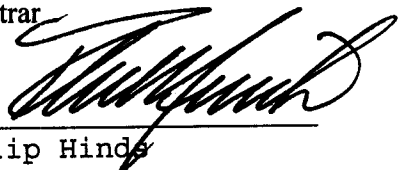
**STRATFORD CLO LTD.,**  
as Issuer

By:   
Name: Hugh Thompson  
Title: DIRECTOR

**STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY,**  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent

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

**MAPLES FINANCE LIMITED,**  
as Share Registrar

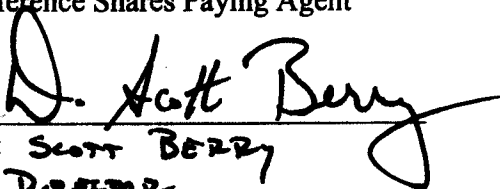
By:   
Name: Phillip Hinds  
Title: SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the undersigned have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their respective duly authorized officers as of the date first above written.

**STRATFORD CLO LTD.,**  
as Issuer

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

**STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY,**  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent

By:   
Name: SCOTT BERRY  
Title: DIRECTOR

**MAPLES FINANCE LIMITED,**  
as Share Registrar

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

**EXHIBIT A****STRATFORD CLO LTD.**

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE **INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**). THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER (**QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER**) WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT (IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE PREFERENCE SHARES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A) WHO IS ALSO A QUALIFIED PURCHASER (**QUALIFIED PURCHASER**) WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER) AND THAT (1) IF SUCH PERSON IS AN ENTITY THAT WOULD BE AN INVESTMENT COMPANY BUT FOR THE EXCEPTION PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 3(C)(1) OR SECTION 3(C)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT (ANY SUCH ENTITY, AN **EXCEPTED INVESTMENT COMPANY**) HAS RECEIVED CONSENT TO SUCH ENTITY'S TREATMENT AS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT FROM (A) ALL OF THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS OF OUTSTANDING SECURITIES (OTHER THAN SHORT TERM PAPER) OF SUCH ENTITY (SUCH BENEFICIAL OWNERS DETERMINED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3(C)(1)(A) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT) THAT ACQUIRED SUCH SECURITIES ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996 (**PRE-AMENDMENT BENEFICIAL OWNERS**) AND (B) ALL PRE AMENDMENT BENEFICIAL OWNERS OF THE OUTSTANDING SECURITIES (OTHER THAN SHORT TERM PAPER) OF ANY EXCEPTED INVESTMENT COMPANY THAT, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, OWNS ANY OUTSTANDING SECURITIES OF SUCH ENTITY, (2) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS AND (3) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE, (B) IN EACH CASE, IN A NUMBER OF NOT LESS THAN 250 PREFERENCE SHARES FOR THE PURCHASER AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY BE PURCHASED BY OR TRANSFERRED TO A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR CONTROLLING PERSON (EACH AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) ONLY UPON THE SATISFACTION OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID AB INITIO, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL ANY

PREFERENCE SHARES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS OR NON-PERMITTED BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS (AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY NOT BE ACQUIRED OR HELD BY (I) ANY "EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(3) OF THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED (***ERISA***), THAT IS SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA, (II) ANY "PLAN" DESCRIBED BY SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE ***CODE***), THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, OR (III) ANY ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE "PLAN ASSETS" OF ANY PLAN DESCRIBED IN (I) OR (II) BY REASON OF A PLAN'S INVESTMENT IN SUCH ENTITY (EACH OF (I), (II) AND (III), A ***BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR***), EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.



**STRATFORD CLO LTD.**

CUSIP No.: [86280C202] / [86280C301]

Certificate No. R-[ ]

[ ] Preference Shares

Incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands U.S.\$1,630 share capital divided into 1,000 Ordinary Shares of a par value of U.S.\$1.00 each and 17,500 Class I Preference Shares of a par value of U.S.\$0.01 and 45,500 Class II Preference Shares of a par value of U.S.\$0.01

**THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT** [ ] is the registered holder of [ ] Class [I][II] Preference Shares in Stratford CLO Ltd. (the ***Issuer***), subject to the Memorandum and Articles of Association thereof (as the same may be amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the ***Issuer Charter***). The payment of dividends and any final distribution on the Class [I][II] Preference Shares, and transfers and exchanges of the Class [I][II] Preference Shares, shall be in the manner provided in the Issuer Charter and the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of October 25, 2007 (as the same may be amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the ***Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement***), between the Issuer, Maples Finance Limited, as the Share Registrar and State Street Bank and Trust Company, as the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Issuer has caused this Preference Share Certificate to be duly executed.

**STRATFORD CLO LTD.**

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

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

Date: [●]

**ASSIGNMENT FORM**

For value received \_\_\_\_\_ hereby sells, assigns and transfers unto

Please insert social security or other identifying number of assignee \_\_\_\_\_

Please print or type name and address, including zip code, of assignee: the within Preference Shares and does hereby irrevocably constitute and appoint  
\_\_\_\_\_ Attorney to transfer the Preference Shares on the books of the Issuer with full power of substitution in the premises.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Executed as a Deed by \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

In the presence of: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of witness: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation of witness: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXHIBIT B**

**FORM OF PREFERENCE SHARE TRANSFER CERTIFICATE**

Stratford CLO Ltd.  
c/o Maples Finance Limited  
P.O. Box 1093 GT  
Queensgate House  
South Church Street  
George Town  
Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands

State Street Bank and Trust Company  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent  
200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code: EUC 108  
Boston, MA 02116  
Attention: CDO Trust Services Group—Stratford CLO Ltd.,

Re: Class [I][II] Preference Shares, par value U.S.\$0.01 per share, of Stratford CLO Ltd. (the ***Class [I][II] Preference Shares***)

Reference is hereby made to the Memorandum and Articles of Association of Stratford CLO Ltd. (the ***Issuer***) and the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement dated as of October 25, 2007 (the ***Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement***) between the Issuer, Maples Finance Limited, as the Share Registrar and State Street Bank and Trust Company, as Preference Shares Paying Agent. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Issuer Charter and if not defined therein, in the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

[NOTE: COMPLETE FOR A TRANSFER OF A PREFERENCE SHARE TO A TRANSFEREE THAT TAKES DELIVERY IN THE FORM OF A PREFERENCE SHARE]

This letter relates to \_\_\_\_\_ Class [I][II] Preference Shares that are Certificated Preference Shares (CUSIP No. \_\_\_\_\_) that are held in the name of \_\_\_\_\_ (the ***Transferor***). The Transferor has requested a transfer of the Class [I][II] Certificated Preference Shares for Class [I][II] Certificated Preference Shares (CUSIP No. \_\_\_\_\_) in the name of \_\_\_\_\_ (the ***Transferee***). Delivered herewith is a Transferee Certification completed by the Transferee.

In connection with such request, and in respect of such Preference Shares, the Transferor does hereby certify that such Preference Shares are being transferred in accordance with the transfer restrictions set forth in the Issuer Charter and the Preference Share Agency Agreement and pursuant to and in accordance with [check one]:

☐ Rule 144A (**Rule 144A**) under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the **Securities Act**) to a Transferee that the Transferor reasonably believes that the Transferee is a "qualified institutional buyer" within the meaning of Rule 144A and either (a) a "qualified purchaser" within the meaning of the U.S. Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended and the Rules thereunder, (b) a company beneficially owned exclusively by one or more "qualified purchasers", purchasing the Preference Shares for its own account and such Transferee is aware that the sale of the Preference Shares to it is being made in reliance upon Rule 144A, in each case in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction;

☐ another exemption available under the Securities Act to a Transferee that is an "accredited investor" within the meaning of Rule 501 under the Securities Act (subject to the delivery of such certifications, legal opinions or other information as the Issuer may reasonably require to confirm that such transfer is being made pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act) and either (a) a "qualified purchaser" within the meaning of the U.S. Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended and the Rules thereunder, or (b) a company beneficially owned exclusively by one or more "qualified purchasers";

This certificate and the statements contained herein are made for your benefit.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Transferor)

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

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

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

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## TRANSFeree CERTIFICATION

Stratford CLO Ltd.  
P.O. Box 1093GT  
Boundary Hall, Cricket Square  
George Town, Grand Cayman  
Cayman Islands

State Street Bank and Trust Company,  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent  
200 Clarendon Street  
Mail Code: EUC 108  
Boston, MA 02116.

Re: Class [I][II] Preference Shares, par value U.S.\$0.01 per share, of Stratford CLO Ltd.

The undersigned (the **Transferee**) intends to purchase \_\_\_\_\_ Class [I][II] Preference Shares, par value U.S.\$0.01 per share, of Stratford CLO Ltd. (the **Issuer**) from the Transferor named in the Transfer Certificate to which this Transferee Certification is attached. In connection with the registration of the transfer of such Preference Shares, the Transferee hereby executes and delivers to each of you this "Transferee Certification" in which the Transferee certifies to each of you the information set forth herein. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Issuer Charter and if not defined therein, in the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

A. General Information

1. Print Full Name of Transferee: \_\_\_\_\_
2. If delivery is taken in the form of  
Definitive Preference Shares,  
name in which Preference Shares  
should be registered: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Address and Contact Person for  
Notices: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Permanent Address (if different than above): \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
7. U.S. Taxpayer Identification or Social Security Number (if any): \_\_\_\_\_
8. Payment Instructions: \_\_\_\_\_
9. Instructions for delivery (if not completed, Preference Shares will be sent by courier to address and attention party set forth in item 3 above): \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

10. The Transferee (i) certifies under penalties of perjury that the Transferee's name, taxpayer identification number or social security number and address provided in the Transferee Certification are correct and (ii) is either (x) providing with this certificate a duly completed U.S. Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 (Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification) or applicable successor form in the case of a person that is a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the **Code**) or (y) exempt from U.S. withholding tax on payments on the Preference Shares and is providing with this certificate the appropriate duly completed U.S. Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 or applicable successor form certifying its entitlement to such exemption in the case of a person that is not a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code. The Transferee agrees to, in a timely manner, complete (accurately and in a manner reasonably satisfactory to the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent), execute, arrange for any required certification of, and deliver to the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent or such governmental or taxing authority as the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent directs any form, document or certificate that may be required or reasonably requested by the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Transferee further agrees to promptly inform the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent of any change in any such information provided to the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent and to execute a new form or other document with the correct information.

B. Status

1. (A) The Transferee is (i) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (ii) a Qualified Purchaser, (B) the purchaser is acquiring the Preference Shares as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (C) the purchaser was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Preference Shares (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser is a Qualified Purchaser), (D) if the purchaser is an entity that would be an investment company but for the exception provided for in Section 3(c)(1) or Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act (any such entity, an "excepted investment company") (a) all of the beneficial owners of outstanding securities (other than short term paper) of such entity (such beneficial owners determined in accordance with Section 3(c)(1)(A) of the Investment Company Act) that acquired such securities on or before April 30, 1996 ("pre amendment beneficial owners") and (b) all pre amendment beneficial owners of the outstanding securities (other than short term paper) of any excepted investment company that, directly or indirectly, owns any outstanding securities of such entity, have consented to such entity's treatment as a Qualified Purchaser in accordance with the Investment Company Act, (E) the purchaser is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (F) the purchaser is not a pension, profit-sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants or affiliates may designate the particular investment to be made, (G) the purchaser agrees that it shall not hold such Preference Shares for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Preference Shares or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or other distributions on the Preference Shares (except when each such other Person is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (b) a Qualified Purchaser) and (H) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Preference Shares to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph shall be null and void ab initio.

2. The Transferee understands that the Preference Shares are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Preference Shares have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Preference Shares, such Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the legend in respect of such Preference Shares set forth in (4) below and the restrictions set forth in the Preference Share Documents. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Issuer, the Servicer or the Initial Purchasers or any of their respective Affiliates as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Preference Shares.

3. The Transferee understands that, prior to any sale or other transfer of any interest in Preference Shares, it (or the transferee, as applicable) will be required to provide to the

Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent a duly executed transfer certificate substantially in the form provided in the Preference Share Documents and such other certificates and other information as they may reasonably require to confirm that the proposed transfer complies with the restrictions in the legend placed on each certificate representing the Preference Shares and in the Preference Share Documents.

4. The Transferee agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Preference Shares or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Preference Share Documents, to which provisions the purchaser agrees it is subject. The Transferee further understands that the Preference Shares (A) will be represented by either one or more Preference Share Certificates which will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Issuer determines otherwise in accordance with applicable law, and (B) may only be resold, pledged or transferred to Qualified Institutional Buyers who are also Qualified Purchasers. The purchaser understands that before the Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred, the transferee will be required to provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Issuer with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

5. The Transferee is not purchasing the Preference Shares with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The Transferee understands that the Preference Shares will be highly illiquid and are not suitable for short-term trading. The Preference Shares are a leveraged investment in the Collateral Obligations that may expose the Preference Shares to disproportionately large changes in value. Payments in respect of the Preference Shares are not guaranteed as they are dependent on the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations. The purchaser understands that it is possible that, due to the structure of the transaction and the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations, dividends or other distributions in respect of the Preference Shares may be reduced or eliminated entirely. Furthermore, the Preference Shares constitute equity in the Issuer, are not secured by the Collateral and will rank behind all creditors (secured and unsecured and whether known or unknown) of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the Holders of the Notes, any Synthetic Security Counterparty and any Hedge Counterparties. The Issuer has assets limited to the Collateral for payment of all Classes of the Notes and dividends and other distributions on the Preference Shares, and the Preference Shares bear, *pro rata*, the first risk of loss. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Preference Shares involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of all or a substantial part of its investment. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Issuer, the Preference Shares and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Preference Shares, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Issuer and the Initial Purchasers.



6. The Transferee understands and agrees that no purchase or transfer of the Preference Shares to (i) a purchaser or transferee that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor (as defined in Section 3(42) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (**ERISA**), or a Controlling Person (as defined under the Indenture) will be effective, and the Issuer or the Share Registrar will not recognize or register such purchase or transfer, if such purchase or transfer would result in Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares (determined pursuant to Section 3(42) of ERISA, 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents) or (ii) will be permitted if such purchase or transfer will result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law). In this regard, 100% of Preference Shares held by an entity that is a Benefit Plan Investor (including an insurance company whose general account assets are treated as "plan assets") will be treated as Preference Shares held by a Benefit Plan Investor. The purchaser or transferee further understands and agrees that any transfer in violation of the applicable provisions of the Preference Share Documents will be null and void ab initio. For purposes of the determination described in the first sentence of this paragraph (6), the Preference Shares held by the Trustee, the Servicer, any of their respective affiliates (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) and any other persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding unless such person is also a Benefit Plan Investor. The Transferee's acquisition, holding and disposition of the Preference Shares will not result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any violation of substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law), because such purchase, holding and disposition either (a) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (b) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all conditions of which are and will be been satisfied throughout its holding and disposition of such Preference Shares. The purchaser and any fiduciary or Person causing it to acquire the Preference Shares agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage, or loss incurred by them as a result of a breach of the representations set forth in this paragraph (6)(A) and paragraph 6(B).

7. The funds that the purchaser is using or will use to purchase the Preference Shares are \_\_\_ / are not \_\_\_ (check one) assets of a person who is or at any time while the Preference Shares are held by the purchaser will be (x) an "employee benefit plan" as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA, that is subject to Title I of ERISA, (y) a "plan" described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code or (z) an entity whose underlying assets include "plan assets" of either of the foregoing by reason of the investment by an employee benefit plan or other plan in the entity within the meaning of the Plan Asset Regulation, as modified by Section 3(42) of ERISA.

8. The purchaser is \_\_\_ / is not \_\_\_ (check one) the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or any other person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer, or any "affiliate" (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) of any such person.

9. The purchaser is \_\_\_ / is not \_\_\_ (check one) Highland Financial Partners, L.P. or any of its subsidiaries.

10. The Transferee is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is aware that the sale of Preference Shares to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements provided by Section 4(2) and is acquiring the Preference Shares for its own account (and not for the account of any family or other trust, any family member or any other person). In addition, the purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Preference Shares, and the purchaser is able to bear the economic risk of its investment.

11. The Transferee is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

12. The Transferee and each beneficial owner acknowledges that it is its intent and that it understands it is the intent of the Issuer that for accounting, financial reporting and U.S. federal and, to the extent permitted by law, state and local income and franchise tax purposes, the Issuer will be treated as a corporation, the Notes will be treated as debt of the Issuer only and not of the Co-Issuer, and the Preference Shares will be treated as equity in the Issuer; it agrees to such treatment, to report all income (or loss) in accordance with such treatment and to take no action inconsistent with such treatment unless otherwise required by any relevant taxing authority under applicable law..

13. The Transferee understands and agrees that a legend in substantially the following form will be placed on each certificate representing Preference Shares:

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE "INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT"). THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER ("QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER") WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT (IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE PREFERENCE SHARES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A) WHO IS ALSO A QUALIFIED PURCHASER ("QUALIFIED PURCHASER") WITHIN THE MEANING OF

SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER) AND THAT (1) IF SUCH PERSON IS AN ENTITY THAT WOULD BE AN INVESTMENT COMPANY BUT FOR THE EXCEPTION PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 3(C)(1) OR SECTION 3(C)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT (ANY SUCH ENTITY, AN "EXCEPTED INVESTMENT COMPANY") HAS RECEIVED CONSENT TO SUCH ENTITY'S TREATMENT AS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT FROM (A) ALL OF THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS OF OUTSTANDING SECURITIES (OTHER THAN SHORT TERM PAPER) OF SUCH ENTITY (SUCH BENEFICIAL OWNERS DETERMINED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3(C)(1)(A) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT) THAT ACQUIRED SUCH SECURITIES ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996 ("PRE AMENDMENT BENEFICIAL OWNERS") AND (B) ALL PRE AMENDMENT BENEFICIAL OWNERS OF THE OUTSTANDING SECURITIES (OTHER THAN SHORT TERM PAPER) OF ANY EXCEPTED INVESTMENT COMPANY THAT, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, OWNS ANY OUTSTANDING SECURITIES OF SUCH ENTITY, (2) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS AND (3) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE, (B) IN EACH CASE, IN A NUMBER OF NOT LESS THAN 250 PREFERENCE SHARES FOR THE PURCHASER AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY BE PURCHASED BY OR TRANSFERRED TO A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR CONTROLLING PERSON (EACH AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) ONLY UPON THE SATISFACTION OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID AB INITIO, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL ANY PREFERENCE SHARES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS OR NON-

PERMITTED BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS (AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY NOT BE ACQUIRED OR HELD BY (I) ANY "EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(3) OF THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA"), THAT IS SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA, (II) ANY "PLAN" DESCRIBED BY SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE"), THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, OR (III) ANY ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE "PLAN ASSETS" OF ANY PLAN DESCRIBED IN (I) OR (II) BY REASON OF A PLAN'S INVESTMENT IN SUCH ENTITY (EACH OF (I), (II) AND (III), A "BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR"), EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

14. The Transferee agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

15. The Transferee understands that the Issuer may enter into amendments or modifications to the Servicing Agreement without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities.

16. The beneficial owner, if it is not a "U.S. person" as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code, is not acquiring any Preference Share as part of a plan to reduce, avoid or evade U.S. federal income taxes owed, owing or potentially owed or owing.

17. In connection with the purchase of Preference Shares (provided that no such representation is made with respect to the Servicer by any Affiliate of or account serviced by the Servicer): (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers, any Synthetic Security Counterparty, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for the purchaser; (ii) the Transferee is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers, any Synthetic Security Counterparty, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates other than in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum for such Preference Shares and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers, any Synthetic

Security Counterparty, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other Person or documentation for the Preference Shares) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of the Preference Shares or an investment therein; (iv) the Transferee has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the documentation for the Preference Shares) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers, any Synthetic Security Counterparty, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the Transferee has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Preference Shares reflect those in relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) the Transferee is purchasing the Preference Shares with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (vii) the Transferee is a sophisticated investor.

18. The Transferee will provide notice to each Person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Preference Shares of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Preference Share Documents, including the exhibits referenced in the Preference Share Documents.

19. The Transferee understands that the Preference Share Documents permit the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Preference Shares who is determined not to have been (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, at the time of acquisition of the Preference Shares to sell such Preference Shares, or to sell such Preference Shares on behalf of such purchaser, to a Person that is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act.

20. The Transferee acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Preference Shares. The Transferee further acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Securities in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the offering memorandum relating to the Preference Shares shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Preference Shares in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

21. The Transferee understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Preference Shares, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase Preference Shares from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell such Preference Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

22. The Transferee understands that the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

23. The Transferee will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Preference Shares by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

24. The Transferee understands that, to the extent required, as determined by the Co-Issuers, the Co-Issuers may amend the Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer only, the Preference Share Documents without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders of the Securities that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7 if, at any time following the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers elect to rely on exclusion from the definition of "investment company" under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7).

25. This certificate shall be construed in accordance with, and this certificate and all matters arising out of or relating in any way whatsoever to this certificate (whether in contract, tort or otherwise) shall be governed by, the law of the State of New York.

26. The Transferee acknowledges that the Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Share Registrar and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Preference Shares are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee and the Initial Purchasers

Signatures:

PARTNERSHIP, CORPORATION, TRUST,  
CUSTODIAL ACCOUNT OR OTHER ENTITY:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Entity)

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Print Name and Title)

Date:

**EXHIBIT C**

**FORM OF PREFERENCE SHAREHOLDER CERTIFICATE**

Stratford CLO Ltd.  
P.O. Box 1093GT  
Boundary Hall, Cricket Square  
George Town, Grand Cayman  
Cayman Islands

State Street Bank and Trust Company,  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent  
200 Clarendon Street  
Mail Code: EUC 108  
Boston, MA 02116

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The undersigned (the ***Preference Shareholder***) hereby certifies that it is the beneficial owner of [ ] Class [I][II] Preference Shares of Stratford CLO Ltd. (the ***Issuer***). The Preference Shareholder hereby requests the [Issuer to provide to it a copy of the [Monthly Report specified in Section 10.6(a) of the Indenture] [Valuation Report specified in Section 10.6(b) of the Indenture] [any information supplied to the Issuer and the Servicer pursuant to Section 10.6 of the Indenture]] [the Preference Shares Paying Agent permit its representative to examine the books of account, records, reports and other papers of the Preference Shares Paying Agent relating to the Preference Shares] (the ***Information***) at the following address:

Name:  
Address:

In consideration of the execution and delivery hereof by the Preference Shareholder, the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Servicer, or their respective agents may from time to time communicate or transmit to the Preference Shareholder (a) information upon the request of the Preference Shareholder and (b) other information or communications marked or otherwise identified as confidential (collectively, ***Confidential Information***). Confidential Information relating to the Issuer shall not include, however, any information that (i) through no fault or action by the Preference Shareholder or any of its affiliates is a matter of general public knowledge or has been or is hereafter published in any source generally available to the public or (ii) has been or is hereafter received by the Preference Shareholder or any of its affiliates from a third party that is not prohibited from disclosing such information by a contractual, legal or fiduciary obligation to the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer.



The Preference Shareholder agrees that the Preference Shareholder (a) will not use Confidential Information for any purpose other than to monitor and administer the financial condition of the Issuer, (b) will keep confidential all Confidential Information and will not communicate or transmit any Confidential Information to any person other than Officers or employees of the Preference Shareholder who need to know the same in order to monitor and administer the financial condition of the Issuer and (c) will maintain Chinese walls or other similar procedures to ensure that no Confidential Information is made available to directors, Officers or employees of the Preference Shareholder or any of its affiliates who are involved in trading or other similar activities with respect to securities of the type owned by the Issuer; except that Confidential Information may be disclosed by the Preference Shareholder (i) by reason of the exercise of any supervisory or examining authority of any governmental agency having jurisdiction over the Preference Shareholder, (ii) to the extent required by laws or regulations applicable to the Preference Shareholder or pursuant to any subpoena or similar legal process served on the Preference Shareholder, (iii) in connection with any suit, action or proceeding brought by the Preference Shareholder to enforce any of its rights under the Issuer Charter or (iv) with the consent of the Issuer or the Servicer.

Delivery of an executed counterpart hereof by facsimile shall constitute effective delivery hereof. This Certificate and the agreements contained herein shall be construed in accordance with, and this Certificate and the agreements contained herein and all matters arising out of or relating in any way whatsoever to this Certificate (whether in contract, tort or otherwise) shall be governed by, the law of the State of New York.

Please indicate your agreement to the foregoing by signing the enclosed copy hereof and returning the same by fax to the Trustee at (617) 351-4358.

Very truly yours,

[NAME OF SHAREHOLDER]

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Signature

AGREED AS AFORESAID:

STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY,  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent

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

STRATFORD CLO LTD.

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

## **EXHIBIT MMM**

**EXECUTION COPY**

**SERVICING AGREEMENT**

This Servicing Agreement, dated as of October 25, 2007 is entered into by and among STRATFORD CLO LTD., an exempted company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands, with its registered office located at the offices of Maples Finance Limited, P.O. Box 1093GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, KY1-1108, Cayman Islands (together with successors and assigns permitted hereunder, the "Issuer"), and HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, with its principal offices located at Two Galleria Tower, 13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300, Dallas, Texas 75240, as servicer ("Highland" or, in such capacity, the "Servicer").

**WITNESSETH:**

WHEREAS, the Issuer and STRATFORD CLO LLC (the "Co-Issuer" and together with the Issuer, the "Co-Issuers") intend to issue U.S.\$417,200,000 of their Class A-1 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due November 2021 (the "Class A-1 Notes"), U.S.\$104,300,000 of their Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Variable Funding Notes due November 2021 (the "Class A-2 Notes"), U.S.\$41,300,000 of their Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due November 2021 (the "Class B Notes"), U.S.\$37,100,000 of their Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due November 2021 (the "Class C Notes"), U.S.\$16,100,000 of their Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due November 2021 (the "Class D Notes"), U.S.\$21,000,000 of their Class E Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due November 2021 (the "Class E Notes" and together with the Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes, Class B Notes, Class C Notes and Class D Notes, the "Notes") pursuant to the Indenture dated as of October 25, 2007 (the "Indenture"), among the Co-Issuers and State Street Bank and Trust Company, as trustee (the "Trustee") and 17,500 Class I Preference Shares, \$0.01 par value (the "Class I Preference Shares") and 45,500 Class II Preference Shares, \$0.01 par value (the "Class II Preference Shares" and, together with the Class I Preference Shares, the "Preference Shares" and, together with the Notes, the "Securities");

WHEREAS, the Issuer intends to pledge the Collateral to the Trustee as security for the Notes;

WHEREAS, the Issuer wishes to enter into this Servicing Agreement, pursuant to which the Servicer agrees to perform, on behalf of the Issuer, certain duties with respect to the Collateral in the manner and on the terms set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the Servicer has the capacity to provide the services required hereby and in the applicable provisions of the other Transaction Documents and is prepared to perform such services upon the terms and conditions set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements herein set forth, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Definitions.

Terms used herein and not defined below shall have the meanings set forth in the Indenture.

“Agreement” shall mean this Servicing Agreement, as amended from time to time.

“Governing Instruments” shall mean the memorandum, articles or certificate of incorporation or association and by-laws, if applicable, in the case of a corporation; the certificate of formation, if applicable, or the partnership agreement, in the case of a partnership; or the certificate of formation, if applicable, or the limited liability company agreement, in the case of a limited liability company.

“HFP” shall mean Highland Financial Partners, L.P. (which includes, for the avoidance of doubt, any subsidiary thereof).

“Offering Memorandum” shall mean the Offering Memorandum of the Issuer dated October 22, 2007 prepared in connection with the offering of the Securities.

“Redemption Date” shall mean any Optional Redemption Date, Special Redemption Date, Tax Event Redemption Date or Mandatory Redemption Date, as applicable.

“Servicer Breaches” shall have the meaning specified in Section 10(a).

“Servicing Fee” shall mean, collectively, the Senior Servicing Fee, the Subordinate Servicing Fee and the Supplemental Servicing Fee.

“Transaction Documents” shall mean, this Agreement, the Indenture, the Collateral Administrator Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, any Hedge Agreement and any Synthetic Security Agreement.

2. General Duties of the Servicer.

(a) The Servicer shall provide services to the Issuer as follows:

(i) Subject to and in accordance with the terms this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents, the Servicer shall supervise and direct the administration, acquisition and disposition of the Collateral, and shall perform on behalf of the Issuer those duties and obligations of the Servicer required by the Indenture and the other Transaction Documents, and including the furnishing of Issuer Orders, Issuer Requests and officer's certificates, and such certifications as are required of the Servicer under the Indenture with respect to permitted purchases and sales of the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investments and other assets, and other matters, and, to the extent necessary or appropriate to perform such duties, the Servicer shall have the power to execute and deliver all necessary and appropriate documents and instruments on behalf of the Issuer with respect thereto. The Servicer shall, subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents, perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder with reasonable care, using a degree of skill and attention no less than that

which the Servicer exercises with respect to comparable assets that it services or manages for others having similar objectives and restrictions, and in a manner consistent with practices and procedures followed by institutional servicers or managers of national standing relating to assets of the nature and character of the Collateral for clients having similar objectives and restrictions, except as expressly provided otherwise in this Agreement and/or the other Transaction Documents. To the extent not inconsistent with the foregoing, the Servicer shall follow its customary standards, policies and procedures in performing its duties under the Indenture and hereunder. The Servicer shall comply with all terms and conditions of the other Transaction Documents affecting the duties and functions to be performed hereunder. The Servicer shall not be bound to follow any amendment to any Transaction Document until it has received written notice thereof and until it has received a copy of the amendment from the Issuer or the Trustee; provided, however, that the Servicer shall not be bound by any amendment to any Transaction Document that affects the rights, powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer unless the Servicer shall have consented thereto in writing. The Issuer agrees that it shall not permit any amendment to the Indenture that (x) affects the rights, powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer or (y) affects the amount or priority of any fees payable to the Servicer to become effective unless the Servicer has been given prior written notice of such amendment and consented thereto in writing;

(ii) the Servicer shall select any Collateral which shall be acquired by the Issuer pursuant to the Indenture in accordance with the Collateral criteria set forth herein and in the Indenture;

(iii) the Servicer shall monitor the Collateral on an ongoing basis and provide to the Issuer all reports, certificates, schedules and other data with respect to the Collateral which the Issuer is required to prepare and deliver under the Indenture, in the form and containing all information required thereby and in reasonable time for the Issuer to review such required reports, certificates, schedules and data and to deliver them to the parties entitled thereto under the Indenture; the Servicer shall undertake to determine to the extent reasonably practicable whether a Collateral Obligation has become a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;

(iv) the Servicer, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture may, at any time permitted under the Indenture, and shall, when required by the Indenture, direct the Trustee (x) to dispose of a Collateral Obligation, Eligible Equity Security, Qualified Equity Security or Eligible Investment or other securities received in respect thereof in the open market or otherwise, (y) to acquire, as security for the Notes in substitution for or in addition to any one or more Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investments included in the Collateral, one or more substitute Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investments, or (z) direct the Trustee to take the following actions with respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment:

(1) retain such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment;  
or

(2) dispose of such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment in the open market or otherwise; or

(3) if applicable, tender such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment pursuant to an Offer; or

(4) if applicable, consent to any proposed amendment, modification or waiver pursuant to an Offer; or

(5) retain or dispose of any securities or other property (if other than cash) received pursuant to an Offer; or

(6) waive any default with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or

(7) vote to accelerate the maturity of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or

(8) exercise any other rights or remedies with respect to such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment as provided in the related Underlying Instruments, including in connection with any workout situations, or take any other action consistent with the terms of the Indenture which is in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities; and

(v) the Servicer shall (a) on or prior to any day which is a Redemption Date, direct the Trustee to enter into contracts to dispose of the Collateral Obligation and any other Collateral pursuant to the Indenture and otherwise comply with all redemption procedures and certification requirements in the Indenture in order to allow the Trustee to effect such redemption and (b) conduct Auctions in accordance with the terms of the Indenture.

(b) In performing its duties hereunder, the Servicer shall seek to preserve the value of the Collateral for the benefit of the Holders of the Securities taking into account the Collateral criteria and limitations set forth herein and in the Indenture and the Servicer shall use reasonable efforts to select and service the Collateral in such a way that will permit a timely performance of all payment obligations by the Issuer under the Indenture; provided, that the Servicer shall not be responsible if such objectives are not achieved so long as the Servicer performs its duties under this Agreement in the manner provided for herein, and provided, further, that there shall be no recourse to the Servicer with respect to the Notes or the Preference Shares. The Servicer and the Issuer shall take such other action, and furnish such certificates, opinions and other documents, as may be reasonably requested by the other party hereto in order to effectuate the purposes of this Agreement and to facilitate compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the terms of this Agreement.

(c) The Servicer hereby agrees to the following:

(i) The Servicer agrees not to institute against, or join any other Person in instituting against, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation proceedings or other proceedings under federal or state bankruptcy or similar laws of any jurisdiction until at least one year and one day (or if longer, any applicable preference period plus one day) after the payment in full of all Notes issued under the Indenture; provided, however, that nothing in this clause (i) shall preclude, or be deemed to estop, the Servicer (A) from taking any action prior to the expiration of such period in (x) any case or proceeding voluntarily filed or commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, or (y) any involuntary insolvency proceeding filed or commenced against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, by a Person other than the Servicer, or (B) from commencing against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any properties of the Issuer or the

Co-Issuer any legal action which is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium, liquidation or similar proceeding. The provisions of this Section 2(c)(i) shall survive termination of this Agreement.

(ii) The Servicer shall cause each sale or purchase of any Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment to be conducted on an arm's-length basis.

(iii) The Servicer shall, on behalf of the Issuer and at the Issuer's expense, retain a firm of independent certified public accountants of recognized national reputation (the Accountants) to (i) prepare on behalf of (and at the expense of) the Issuer and Co-Issuer any income tax or information returns that the Issuer or Co-Issuer may from time to time be required to file under applicable law (each, a Tax Return), (ii) deliver, reasonably prior to any applicable time limit, each Tax Return, properly completed, to the Administrator for signature by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, (iii) file or deliver such Tax Return on behalf of the Issuer or Co-Issuer within any applicable time limit with any authority or Person as required under applicable law, (iv) prepare and file any elections, as needed, to preserve the status of the Issuer as a corporation for United States Federal tax purposes due to a change in United States Federal tax laws, and (v) prepare (alone or with the assistance of the Collateral Administrator) and deliver on an annual basis in a timely manner to the Preference Share Paying Agent for delivery to each Preference Shareholder the information required by Section 7.1(d) and (g) of the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement including (A) any Internal Revenue Service Form 5471 (or successor or form), and any other information required under Sections 6038, 6038B or 6046 of the Code of (or successor provisions), (B) all information that a U.S. shareholder making a "qualified electing fund" election with respect to the Issuer is required to obtain for United States Federal income tax purposes, (C) a "PFIC Annual Information Statement" as described in Treasury Regulation Section 1.1295-1(g) (or any successor guidance), including all representations and statements required by such statement and (D) information required by a Preference Shareholder to satisfy its obligations, if any, under Treasury Regulations Section 1.6011-4 (or successor provisions) with respect to transactions undertaken by the Issuer.

(iv) The Servicer shall, on behalf of the Issuer and at the Issuer's expense (i) provide (or cause to be provided) to each issuer or paying agent of (or counterparty or paying agent with respect to) an item included in the Collateral (or, as appropriate, provide or cause to be provided to the relevant tax authority or tax authorities) any tax forms or certifications that the Issuer is able to provide as necessary to avoid or minimize withholding or imposition of income or withholding tax or as reasonably required or requested by each issuer (or counterparty or paying agent) and (ii) take any steps reasonably necessary to obtain a refund of withholding taxes imposed on any item included in the Collateral.

(d) The Servicer shall not act for the Issuer in any capacity except as provided in this Section 2. In providing services hereunder, the Servicer may employ third parties, including its Affiliates, to render advice (including advice with respect to the servicing of the Collateral) and assistance; provided, however, that the Servicer shall not be relieved of any of its duties or liabilities hereunder regardless of the performance of any services by third parties and provided further that such assignee must perform its duties without causing the Issuer to become subject to net income tax in any jurisdiction outside the Issuer's jurisdiction of incorporation or otherwise cause adverse tax consequences to the Issuer or Co-Issuer. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Servicer shall not



be required to take any action required of it pursuant to this Agreement or the Indenture if such action would constitute a violation of any law.

(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement or the Indenture, (i) any granted signatory powers or authority granted to the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer with respect to the Special Procedures Obligations shall be conditioned upon the prior written approval of the Independent Advisor and (ii) neither the Servicer nor any Affiliate of the Servicer shall have any authority to enter into agreements, or take any action, on behalf of the Issuer with respect to the Special Procedures Obligations without the prior written approval of the Independent Advisor.

### 3. Brokerage.

The Servicer shall seek to obtain the best prices and execution for all orders placed with respect to the Collateral, considering all reasonable circumstances. Subject to the objective of obtaining best prices and execution, the Servicer may take into consideration research and other brokerage services furnished to the Servicer or its Affiliates by brokers and dealers which are not Affiliates of the Servicer. Such services may be used by the Servicer or its Affiliates in connection with its other servicing or advisory activities or operations. The Servicer may aggregate sales and purchase orders of securities placed with respect to the Collateral with similar orders being made simultaneously for other accounts serviced or managed by Servicer or with accounts of the Affiliates of the Servicer, if in the Servicer's reasonable judgment such aggregation shall result in an overall economic benefit to the Issuer, taking into consideration the advantageous selling or purchase price, brokerage commission and other expenses. In the event that a sale or purchase of a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment (in accordance with the terms of the Indenture) occurs as part of any aggregate sales or purchase orders, the objective of the Servicer (and any of its Affiliates involved in such transactions) shall be to allocate the executions among the accounts in an equitable manner and consistent with its obligations hereunder and under applicable law.

In addition to the foregoing and subject to the provisions of Section 2 and the limitations of Section 5, the objective of obtaining best prices and execution and to the extent permitted by applicable law, the Servicer may, on behalf of the Issuer, direct the Trustee to acquire any and all of the Eligible Investments or other Collateral from, or sell Collateral Obligation or other Collateral to, the Initial Purchaser, the Trustee or any of their respective Affiliates, or any other firm.

### 4. Additional Activities of the Servicer.

Nothing herein shall prevent the Servicer or any of its Affiliates from engaging in other businesses, or from rendering services of any kind to the Trustee, the Holders of the Securities, or any other Person or entity to the extent permitted by applicable law. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, the Servicer and partners, directors, officers, employees and agents of the Servicer or its Affiliates may, among other things, and subject to any limits specified in the Indenture:

(a) serve as directors (whether supervisory or managing), officers, partners, employees, agents, nominees or signatories for any issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates, to the extent permitted by their Governing Instruments, as from time to time amended, or by any resolutions duly adopted by the Issuer, its Affiliates or any issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates, pursuant to their respective Governing Instruments; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on the enforceability of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Coverage Test or Collateral Quality Test; provided, further, that nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to limit the duties of the Servicer set forth in Section 2 hereof;

(b) receive fees for services of any nature rendered to the issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on the enforceability of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Coverage Test or Collateral Quality Test; and provided, further that if any portion of such services are related to the purchase by the Issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral, the portion of such fees relating to such obligations shall be applied to the purchase price of such obligations; and

(c) be a secured or unsecured creditor of, or hold an equity interest in, the Issuer, its Affiliates or any issuer of any obligation included in the Collateral; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on the enforceability of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Coverage Test or Collateral Quality Test; provided, further, that nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to limit the duties of the Servicer set forth in Section 2 hereof.

It is understood that the Servicer and any of its Affiliates may engage in any other business and furnish servicing, investment management and advisory services to others, including Persons which may have policies similar to those followed by the Servicer with respect to the Collateral and which may own securities of the same class, or which are the same type, as the Collateral Obligation or other securities of the issuers of Collateral Obligation. The Servicer shall be free, in its sole discretion, to make recommendations to others, or effect transactions on behalf of itself or for others, which may be the same as or different from those effected with respect to the Collateral.

Unless the Servicer determines in its reasonable judgment that such purchase or sale is appropriate, the Servicer may refrain from directing the purchase or sale hereunder of securities issued by (i) Persons of which the Servicer, its Affiliates or any of its or their officers, directors or employees are directors or officers, (ii) Persons for which the Servicer or its Affiliate act as financial adviser or underwriter or (iii) Persons about which the Servicer or any of its Affiliates have information which the Servicer deems confidential or non-public or otherwise might prohibit it from trading such securities in accordance with applicable law. The Servicer shall not be obligated to have or pursue any particular strategy or opportunity with respect to the Collateral.

## 5. Conflicts of Interest.

(a) The Servicer shall not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Servicer such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Servicer, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the Investment Advisers Act.

(b) The Servicer shall not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Servicer, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Investment Advisers Act.

(c) In addition, the Servicer shall not undertake any transaction described in this Section 5 unless such transaction is exempt from the prohibited transaction rules of ERISA and the Code.

6. Records; Confidentiality.

The Servicer shall maintain appropriate books of account and records relating to services performed hereunder, and such books of account and records shall be accessible for inspection by a representative of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Holders of the Securities and the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to the Indenture at a mutually agreed time during normal business hours and upon not less than three Business Days' prior notice. At no time shall the Servicer make a public announcement concerning the issuance of the Notes or the Preference Shares, the Servicer's role hereunder or any other aspect of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents. The Servicer shall keep confidential any and all information obtained in connection with the services rendered hereunder and shall not disclose any such information to non-affiliated third parties except (i) with the prior written consent of the Issuer, (ii) such information as either Rating Agency shall reasonably request in connection with the rating of any class of Securities, (iii) as required by law, regulation, court order or the rules or regulations of any self regulating organization, body or official having jurisdiction over the Servicer, (iv) to its professional advisers, (v) such information as shall have been publicly disclosed other than in violation of this Agreement, or (vi) such information that was or is obtained by the Servicer on a non-confidential basis, provided, that the Servicer does not know or have reason to know of any breach by such source of any confidentiality obligations with respect thereto. For purposes of this Section 6, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator and the Holders of the Securities shall in no event be considered "non-affiliated third parties."

Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement or the Indenture to the contrary, the Servicer, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Holders of the Securities (and the beneficial owners thereof) (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) may disclose to any and all Persons, without limitation of any kind, the U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to them relating to such U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure, as such terms are defined under U.S. federal, state or local tax law.

7. Obligations of Servicer.

Unless otherwise specifically required by any provision of the Indenture or this Agreement or by applicable law, the Servicer shall use its best reasonable efforts to ensure that no action is taken by it, and shall not intentionally or with reckless disregard take any action, which would (a) materially adversely affect the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for purposes of Cayman Islands law, United States federal or state law or any other law known to the Servicer to be applicable to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, (b) not be permitted under the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association or the Co-Issuer's certificate of formation or limited liability company agreement, (c) violate any law, rule or regulation of any governmental body or agency having jurisdiction over the Issuer or the Co-Issuer including, without limitation, any Cayman Islands or United States federal, state or other applicable securities law the violation of which has or could reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any of the Collateral, (d) require registration of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the pool of Collateral as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act, (e) cause the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to violate the terms of the Indenture, including, without limitation, any representations made by the Issuer or Co-Issuer therein, or any other agreement contemplated by the Indenture or (f) not be permitted by Annex 1 hereto and would subject the Issuer to U.S. federal or state income or franchise taxation, cause the Issuer to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States for

U.S. federal income tax purposes or cause the Issuer to be subject to tax on a net income basis outside the Issuer's jurisdiction of incorporation or otherwise cause adverse tax consequences to the Issuer or Co-Issuer. The Servicer covenants that it shall comply in all material respects with all laws and regulations applicable to it in connection with the performance of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, the Servicer shall not be required to take any action under this Agreement or the Indenture if such action would violate any applicable law, rule, regulation or court order.

8. Compensation.

(a) The Issuer shall pay to the Servicer, for services rendered and performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Servicing Fee, which shall be payable in such amounts and at such times as set forth in the Indenture. The provisions of the Indenture which relate to the amount and payment of the Servicing Fee shall not be amended without the written consent of the Servicer. If on any Payment Date there are insufficient funds to pay the Servicing Fee (and/or any other amounts due and payable to the Servicer) in full, the amount not so paid shall be deferred and shall be payable on such later Payment Date on which funds are available therefor as provided in the Indenture.

With respect to any Payment Date, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion (or all) of its Servicing Fees then due and payable. All waived amounts will be paid to the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Dividends pursuant to the Indenture; provided that with respect to the Payment Date in May 2008, such Class II Preference Share Special Payments will, at a minimum, include amounts that otherwise constitute a portion (representing the Class II Preference Share Percentage) of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Closing Date through February 3, 2008. For purposes of any calculation under this Agreement and the Indenture, the Servicer shall be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Dividends.

In addition, notwithstanding anything set out above, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion waive all or any portion of the Subordinated Servicing Fee or Supplemental Servicing Fee, any funds representing the waived Subordinated Servicing Fees and Supplemental Servicing Fees to be retained in the Collection Account for distribution as either Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds (as determined by the Servicer) pursuant to the Priority of Payments.

(b) The Servicer shall be responsible for the ordinary expenses incurred in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Indenture and the other Transaction Documents; provided, however, that any extraordinary expenses incurred by the Servicer in the performance of such obligations (including, but not limited to, any fees, expenses or other amounts payable to the Rating Agencies, the Collateral Administrator, the Trustee and the accountants appointed by the Issuer, the reasonable expenses incurred by the Servicer to employ outside lawyers or consultants reasonably necessary in connection with the evaluation, transfer or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation or other unusual matters arising in the performance of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture, any reasonable expenses incurred by the Servicer in obtaining advice from outside counsel with respect to its obligations under this Agreement, brokerage commissions, transfer fees, registration costs, taxes and other similar costs and transaction related expenses and fees arising out of transactions effected for the Issuer's account and the portion allocated to the Issuer of any other fees and expenses that the Servicer customarily allocates among all of the funds or portfolios that it services or manages, including reasonable expenses incurred with respect to any compliance requirements, including, but not limited to, compliance with the requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, related solely to the ownership

or holding of any Securities by HFP or its Affiliates) shall be reimbursed by the Issuer to the extent funds are available therefor in accordance with and subject to the limitations contained in the Indenture.

(c) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 12, Section 14 or otherwise, the fees payable to the Servicer shall be prorated for any partial periods between Payment Dates during which this Agreement was in effect and shall be due and payable on the first Payment Date following the date of such termination and on any subsequent Payment Dates to the extent remaining unpaid and in accordance with, and to the extent provided in, the Indenture.

9. Benefit of the Agreement.

The Servicer agrees that its obligations hereunder shall be enforceable at the instance of the Issuer, the Trustee, on behalf of the Noteholders, or the requisite percentage of Noteholders or the Holders of the Preference Shares, as applicable, as provided in the Indenture.

10. Limits of Servicer Responsibility; Indemnification.

(a) The Servicer assumes no responsibility under this Agreement other than to render the services called for hereunder and under the terms of the other Transaction Documents made applicable to it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement in good faith and, subject to the standard of liability described in the next sentence, shall not be responsible for any action of the Issuer or the Trustee in following or declining to follow any advice, recommendation or direction of the Servicer. The Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, and its Affiliates and their directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, shall not be liable to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Holders of the Securities or any other person, for any losses, claims, damages, judgments, assessments, costs or other liabilities (collectively, “Liabilities”) incurred by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Holders of the Securities or any other person, that arise out of or in connection with the performance by the Servicer of its duties under this Agreement and under the terms of the other Transaction Documents made applicable to it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, except by reason of (i) acts or omissions constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, gross negligence or breach of fiduciary duty in the performance, or reckless disregard, of the obligations of the Servicer hereunder and under the terms of the other Transaction Documents made applicable to it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement or (ii) with respect to any information included in the Offering Memorandum in the section entitled “The Servicer” and paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7 and 11 in the section entitled “Risk Factors—Certain Conflicts of Interest—Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer” of that contains any untrue statement of material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) collectively being the “Servicer Breaches”). For the avoidance of doubt, the Servicer shall have no duty to independently investigate any laws not otherwise known to it in connection with its obligations under this Agreement, the Indenture and the other Transaction Documents. The Servicer shall be deemed to have satisfied the requirements of the Indenture and this Agreement relating to not causing the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes (including as those requirements relate to the acquisition (including manner of acquisition), ownership, enforcement, and disposition of Collateral) to the extent the Servicer complies with the requirements set forth in Annex 1 hereto (unless the Servicer knows that as a result of a change in law the investment restrictions set forth in Annex 1 may no longer be relied upon).

(b) The Issuer shall indemnify and hold harmless (the Issuer in such case, the “Indemnifying Party”) the Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees (such parties collectively in such case, the “Indemnified Parties”) from and against any and all Liabilities, and shall reimburse each such Indemnified Party for all reasonable fees and expenses

(including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) (collectively, the “Expenses”) as such Expenses are incurred in investigating, preparing, pursuing or defending any claim, action, proceeding or investigation with respect to any pending or threatened litigation (collectively, the “Actions”), caused by, or arising out of or in connection with, the issuance of the Securities, the transactions contemplated by the Offering Memorandum, the Indenture or this Agreement, and/or any action taken by, or any failure to act by, such Indemnified Party; provided, however, that no Indemnified Party shall be indemnified for any Liabilities or Expenses it incurs as a result of any acts or omissions by any Indemnified Party constituting Servicer Breaches. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the obligations of the Issuer under this Section 10 shall be payable solely out of the Collateral in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Indenture and shall survive termination of this Agreement.

(c) With respect to any claim made or threatened against an Indemnified Party, or compulsory process or request or other notice of any loss, claim, damage or liability served upon an Indemnified Party, for which such Indemnified Party is or may be entitled to indemnification under this Section 10, such Indemnified Party shall (or with respect to Indemnified Parties that are directors, officers, stockholders, agents or employees of the Servicer, the Servicer shall cause such Indemnified Party to):

(i) give written notice to the Indemnifying Party of such claim within ten (10) days after such Indemnified Party’s receipt of actual notice that such claim is made or threatened, which notice to the Indemnifying Party shall specify in reasonable detail the nature of the claim and the amount (or an estimate of the amount) of the claim; provided, however, that the failure of any Indemnified Party to provide such notice to the Indemnifying Party shall not relieve the Indemnifying Party of its obligations under this Section 10 unless the Indemnifying Party is materially prejudiced or otherwise forfeits rights or defenses by reason of such failure;

(ii) at the Indemnifying Party’s expense, provide the Indemnifying Party such information and cooperation with respect to such claim as the Indemnifying Party may reasonably require, including, but not limited to, making appropriate personnel available to the Indemnifying Party at such reasonable times as the Indemnifying Party may request;

(iii) at the Indemnifying Party’s expense, cooperate and take all such steps as the Indemnifying Party may reasonably request to preserve and protect any defense to such claim;

(iv) in the event suit is brought with respect to such claim, upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Indemnifying Party the right, which the Indemnifying Party may exercise in its sole discretion and at its expense, to participate in the investigation, defense and settlement of such claim;

(v) neither incur any material expense to defend against nor release or settle any such claim or make any admission with respect thereto (other than routine or incontestable admissions or factual admissions the failure to make which would expose such Indemnified Party to unindemnified liability) nor permit a default or consent to the entry of any judgment in respect thereof, in each case without the prior written consent of the Indemnifying Party; and

(vi) upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Indemnifying Party the right, in its sole discretion and at its sole expense, to assume the defense of such

claim, including, but not limited to, the right to designate counsel reasonably acceptable to the Indemnified Party and to control all negotiations, litigation, arbitration, settlements, compromises and appeals of such claim; provided, that if the Indemnifying Party assumes the defense of such claim, it shall not be liable for any fees and expenses of counsel for any Indemnified Party incurred thereafter in connection with such claim except that if such Indemnified Party reasonably determines that counsel designated by the Indemnifying Party has a conflict of interest in connection with its representation of such Indemnified Party, such Indemnifying Party shall pay the reasonable fees and disbursements of one counsel (in addition to any local counsel) separate from its own counsel for all Indemnified Parties in connection with any one action or separate but similar or related actions in the same jurisdiction arising out of the same general allegations or circumstances; provided, further, that prior to entering into any final settlement or compromise, such Indemnifying Party shall seek the consent of the Indemnified Party and use its commercially reasonable efforts in the light of the then prevailing circumstances (including, without limitation, any express or implied time constraint on any pending settlement offer) to obtain the consent of such Indemnified Party as to the terms of settlement or compromise. If an Indemnified Party does not consent to the settlement or compromise within a reasonable time under the circumstances, the Indemnifying Party shall not thereafter be obligated to indemnify the Indemnified Party for any amount in excess of such proposed settlement or compromise.

(d) In the event that any Indemnified Party waives its right to indemnification hereunder, the Indemnifying Party shall not be entitled to appoint counsel to represent such Indemnified Party nor shall the Indemnifying Party reimburse such Indemnified Party for any costs of counsel to such Indemnified Party.

(e) The U.S. federal securities laws impose liabilities under certain circumstances on persons who act in good faith; accordingly, notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, nothing herein shall in any way constitute a waiver or limitation of any rights which the Issuer or the Holders of the Securities may have under any U.S. federal securities laws.

#### 11. No Partnership or Joint Venture.

The Issuer and the Servicer are not partners or joint venturers with each other and nothing herein shall be construed to make them such partners or joint venturers or impose any liability as such on either of them. The Servicer's relation to the Issuer shall be deemed to be that of an independent contractor.

#### 12. Term; Termination.

(a) This Agreement shall commence as of the date first set forth above and shall continue in force and effect until the first of the following occurs: (i) the payment in full of the Notes, the termination of the Indenture in accordance with its terms and the redemption in full of the Preference Shares; (ii) the liquidation of the Collateral and the final distribution of the proceeds of such liquidation to the Holders of Securities; or (iii) the termination of this Agreement in accordance with subsection (b), (c), (d) or (e) of this Section 12 or Section 14 of this Agreement.

(b) Subject to Section 12(e) below, the Servicer may resign, upon 90 days' written notice to the Issuer (or such shorter notice as is acceptable to the Issuer). If the Servicer resigns, the Issuer agrees to appoint a successor Servicer to assume such duties and obligations in accordance with Section 12(e).

(c) This Agreement shall be automatically terminated in the event that the Issuer determines in good faith that the Issuer or the pool of Collateral has become required to be registered under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, and the Issuer notifies the Servicer thereof.

(d) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to this Section 12, neither party shall have any further liability or obligation to the other, except as provided in Sections 2(c)(i), 8, 10 and 15 of this Agreement.

(e) No removal or resignation of the Servicer shall be effective unless:

(i) (A) the Issuer appoints a successor Servicer at the written direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority, other than HFP which may exercise its vote with respect to Preference Shares it owns, up to the Original HFP Share Amount (each such non-excluded Preference Share, a "Voting Preference Share")), (B) such successor Servicer has assumed in writing all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single class and excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP (each such non-excluded Note, a "Voting Note")); or

(ii) if a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP) has nominated two or more possible successor Servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) or has otherwise failed to appoint a successor Servicer that has not been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) within 30 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer (or, if later, within 30 days of the last failure to successfully appoint a successor Servicer), then (A) the Issuer appoints a successor Servicer at the written direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes, (B) such successor Servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 45 days after notice of such succession by either of (x) a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP which may exercise its vote with respect to Preference Shares it owns, up to the Original HFP Share Amount) or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes (voting as a single class and excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the retiring Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority other than HFP); or

(iii) if the Issuer fails to appoint a successor Servicer pursuant to the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) within 90 days of any notice of resignation or removal of the



Servicer, (A) any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes or any Holder of Voting Preference Shares) may petition a court of competent authority to appoint a successor Servicer, (B) such court appoints a successor Servicer and (C) such successor Servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture.

In addition, any successor Servicer must be an established institution which (i) has demonstrated an ability to professionally and competently perform duties similar to those imposed upon the Servicer hereunder, (ii) is legally qualified and has the capacity to act as Servicer hereunder, as successor to the Servicer under this Agreement in the assumption of all of the responsibilities, duties and obligations of the Servicer hereunder and under the applicable terms of the Indenture, (iii) shall not cause the Issuer or the pool of Collateral to become required to register under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, (iv) shall perform its duties as Servicer under this Agreement and the Indenture without causing the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Holder of any Securities to become subject to tax in any jurisdiction outside of the Issuer's jurisdiction of incorporation and (v) each Rating Agency has confirmed that the appointment of such successor Servicer shall not cause its then current rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn. No compensation payable to a successor Servicer from payments on the Collateral shall be greater than that paid to the Servicer without the prior written consent of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class, Majority of the Noteholders and a Majority of the Preference Shares. The Issuer, the Trustee and the successor Servicer shall take such action (or cause the retiring Servicer to take such action) consistent with this Agreement and the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer, as shall be necessary to effectuate any such succession.

If there has been no appointment of a successor Servicer within 90 days following the resignation or termination of the Servicer, until a successor Servicer has been appointed and has assumed its duties hereunder, any sales or disposition of Collateral Obligation shall be limited to Credit Risk Obligation, Credit Improved Obligation, Defaulted Collateral Obligation, Eligible Equity Securities or Qualified Equity Securities; provided, that, such restriction on the sale or disposition of Collateral Obligation shall not apply if the Collateral Obligation is being liquidated in whole or in part in connection with an acceleration or early termination of the Notes.

(f) In the event of removal of the Servicer pursuant to this Agreement, the Issuer shall have all of the rights and remedies available with respect thereto at law or equity, and, without limiting the foregoing, the Issuer or, to the extent so provided in the Indenture, the Trustee may by notice in writing to the Servicer as provided under this Agreement terminate all the rights and obligations of the Servicer under this Agreement (except those that survive termination pursuant to Section 12(d) above). Upon expiration of the applicable notice period with respect to termination specified in this Section 12 or Section 14 of this Agreement, as applicable, all authority and power of the Servicer under this Agreement, whether with respect to the Collateral or otherwise, shall automatically and without further action by any person or entity pass to and be vested in the successor Servicer upon the appointment thereof.

### 13. Delegation; Assignments.

This Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Servicer hereunder, shall not be delegated by the Servicer, in whole or in part, except to any entity that (i) is controlled by any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers and (ii) is one in which any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers is involved in the day to day management and operations (and in any such case pursuant to an instrument of delegation in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer), without the prior written consent of the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class and a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding Notes and Preference Shares held by the Servicer or any of its Affiliates) and, notwithstanding any such consent, no delegation of obligations or duties by the Servicer (including, without limitation, to

an entity described above) shall relieve the Servicer from any liability hereunder; provided that such delegate or assignee must perform its duties without causing the Issuer to become subject to net income tax in any jurisdiction outside the Issuer's jurisdiction of incorporation or otherwise cause adverse tax consequences to the Issuer or Co-Issuer.

Subject to Section 12, any assignment of this Agreement to any Person, in whole or in part, by the Servicer shall be deemed null and void unless (i) such assignment is consented to in writing by the Issuer, a Majority of the Controlling Class and the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding Notes and Preference Shares held by the Servicer or any of its Affiliates other than HFP) and (ii) the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to any such assignment. Any assignment consented to by the Issuer, a Majority of the Controlling Class and the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares shall bind the assignee hereunder in the same manner as the Servicer is bound. In addition, the assignee shall execute and deliver to the Issuer and the Trustee a counterpart of this Agreement naming such assignee as Servicer. Upon the execution and delivery of such a counterpart by the assignee and consent thereto by the Issuer, a Majority of the Controlling Class and the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Servicer shall be released from further obligations pursuant to this Agreement, except with respect to its obligations arising under Section 10 of this Agreement prior to such assignment and except with respect to its obligations under Sections 2(c)(i) and 15 hereof. This Agreement shall not be assigned by the Issuer without the prior written consent of the Servicer and the Trustee, except in the case of assignment by the Issuer to (i) an entity which is a successor to the Issuer permitted under the Indenture, in which case such successor organization shall be bound hereunder and by the terms of said assignment in the same manner as the Issuer is bound thereunder or (ii) the Trustee as contemplated by the Indenture. In the event of any assignment by the Issuer, the Issuer shall cause its successor to execute and deliver to the Servicer such documents as the Servicer shall consider reasonably necessary to effect fully such assignment. The Servicer hereby consents to the matters set forth in Article 15 of the Indenture.

14. Termination by the Issuer for Cause.

Subject to Section 12(e) above, this Agreement shall be terminated and the Servicer shall be removed by the Issuer for cause upon 10 days' prior written notice to the Servicer and upon written notice to the Holders of the Securities as set forth below, but only if directed to do so by (1) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or (2) the Holders of at least 66-2/3% of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares or other Notes held by the Servicer or any of its Affiliates and accounts over which the Servicer or any of its Affiliates exercise discretionary voting authority, other than HFP which may exercise its vote with respect to Preference Shares it owns, up to the Original HFP Share Amount). For purposes of determining "cause" with respect to any such termination of this Agreement, such term shall mean any one of the following events:

(a) the Servicer willfully breaches in any respect, or takes any action that it knows violates in any respect, any provision of this Agreement or any terms of the Indenture applicable to it;

(b) the Servicer breaches in any material respect any provision of this Agreement or any terms of the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement applicable to it, or any representation, warranty, certification or statement given in writing by the Servicer shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or given, and the Servicer fails to cure such breach or take such action so that the facts (after giving effect to such action) conform in all material respects to such representation, warranty, certificate or statement, in each case within 30 days of becoming aware of, or receiving notice from, the Trustee of, such breach or materially incorrect representation, warranty, certificate or statement;

(c) the Servicer is wound up or dissolved (other than a dissolution in which the remaining members elect to continue the business of the Servicer in accordance with its Governing Instruments) or there is appointed over it or a substantial portion of its assets a receiver, administrator, administrative receiver, trustee or similar officer, or the Servicer (i) ceases to be able to, or admits in writing its inability to, pay its debts as they become due and payable, or makes a general assignment for the benefit of or enters into any composition or arrangement with, its creditors generally; (ii) applies for or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, assignee, custodian, liquidator or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Servicer or of any substantial part of its properties or assets, or authorizes such an application or consent, or proceedings seeking such appointment are commenced without such authorization, consent or application against the Servicer and continue undismissed for 60 days; (iii) authorizes or files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, or applies for or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the application of any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, readjustment of debt, insolvency or dissolution, or authorizes such application or consent, or proceedings to such end are instituted against the Servicer without such authorization, application or consent and are approved as properly instituted and remain undismissed for 60 days or result in adjudication of bankruptcy or insolvency; or (iv) permits or suffers all or any substantial part of its properties or assets to be sequestered or attached by court order and the order remains undismissed for 60 days;

(d) the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture that results from any breach by the Servicer of its duties under the Indenture or this Agreement, which breach or default is not cured within any applicable cure period; or

(e) (x) the occurrence of an act by the Servicer related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business that constitutes fraud, (y) the Servicer being indicted, or any of its principals being convicted, of a felony criminal offense related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business or (z) the Servicer being indicted for, adjudged liable in a civil suit for, or convicted of a violation of the Securities Act or any other United States Federal securities law or any rules or regulations thereunder.

If any of the events specified in this Section 14 shall occur, the Servicer shall give prompt written notice thereof to the Issuer, S&P, the Trustee and the Holders of all outstanding Notes and Preference Shares upon the Servicer's becoming aware of the occurrence of such event.

#### 15. Action Upon Termination.

(a) From and after the effective date of termination of this Agreement, the Servicer shall not be entitled to compensation for further services hereunder, but shall be paid all compensation accrued to the date of termination, as provided in Section 8 hereof, and shall be entitled to receive any amounts owing under Section 10 hereof. Upon the effective date of termination of this Agreement, the Servicer shall as soon as practicable:

(i) deliver to the Issuer all property and documents of the Trustee or the Issuer or otherwise relating to the Collateral then in the custody of the Servicer; and

(ii) deliver to the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent an accounting with respect to the books and records delivered to the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the successor Servicer appointed pursuant to Section 12(e) hereof.

Notwithstanding such termination, the Servicer shall remain liable to the extent set forth herein (but subject to Section 10 hereof) for its acts or omissions hereunder arising prior to termination and for any expenses, losses, damages, liabilities, demands, charges and claims (including reasonable attorneys' fees) in respect of or arising out of a breach of the representations and warranties made by the Servicer in Section 16(b) hereof or from any failure of the Servicer to comply with the provisions of this Section 15.

(b) The Servicer agrees that, notwithstanding any termination of this Agreement, it shall reasonably cooperate in any Proceeding arising in connection with this Agreement, the Indenture or any of the Collateral (excluding any such Proceeding in which claims are asserted against the Servicer or any Affiliate of the Servicer) upon receipt of appropriate indemnification and expense reimbursement.

16. Representations and Warranties.

(a) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants to the Servicer as follows:

(i) The Issuer has been duly registered and is validly existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands, has full power and authority to own its assets and the securities proposed to be owned by it and included in the Collateral and to transact the business in which it is presently engaged and is duly qualified under the laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Indenture or the Securities would require, such qualification, except for failures to be so qualified, authorized or licensed that would not in the aggregate have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Issuer.

(ii) The Issuer has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities and all obligations required hereunder and thereunder and has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities on the terms and conditions hereof and thereof and the execution by the Issuer, delivery and performance of this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities and the performance of all obligations imposed upon it hereunder and thereunder. No consent of any other person including, without limitation, shareholders and creditors of the Issuer, and no license, permit, approval or authorization of, exemption by, notice or report to, or registration, filing or declaration with, any governmental authority, other than those that may be required under state securities or "blue sky" laws and those that have been or shall be obtained in connection with the other Transaction Documents and the Securities is required by the Issuer in connection with this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities or the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the Securities or the obligations imposed upon it hereunder or thereunder. This Agreement constitutes, and each instrument or document required hereunder, when executed and delivered hereunder, shall constitute, the legally valid and binding obligation of the Issuer enforceable against the Issuer in accordance with its terms, subject to (a) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights and (b) general equitable principles.

(iii) The execution by the Issuer, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the documents and instruments required hereunder shall not violate any

provision of any existing law or regulation binding on the Issuer, or any order, judgment, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or governmental authority binding on the Issuer, or the Governing Instruments of, or any securities issued by, the Issuer or of any mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking to which the Issuer is a party or by which the Issuer or any of its assets may be bound, the violation of which would have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Issuer, and shall not result in or require the creation or imposition of any lien on any of its property, assets or revenues pursuant to the provisions of any such mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking (other than the lien of the Indenture).

(iv) The Issuer is not in violation of its Governing Instruments or in breach or violation of or in default under the Indenture or any contract or agreement to which it is a party or by which it or any of its assets may be bound, or any applicable statute or any rule, regulation or order of any court, government agency or body having jurisdiction over the Issuer or its properties, the breach or violation of which or default under which would have a material adverse effect on the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the performance by the Issuer of its duties hereunder.

(v) True and complete copies of the Indenture and the Issuer's Governing Instruments have been delivered to the Servicer.

The Issuer agrees to deliver a true and complete copy of each amendment to the documents referred to in Section 16(a)(v) above to the Servicer as promptly as practicable after its adoption or execution.

(b) The Servicer hereby represents and warrants to the Issuer as follows:

(i) The Servicer is a limited partnership duly organized and validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware, has full power and authority to own its assets and to transact the business in which it is currently engaged and is duly qualified and in good standing under the laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of this Agreement would require such qualification, except for those jurisdictions in which the failure to be so qualified, authorized or licensed would not have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Servicer or on the ability of the Servicer to perform its obligations under, or on the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement and the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer.

(ii) The Servicer has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement and all obligations required hereunder and under the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer, and has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement on the terms and conditions hereof and the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and all obligations required hereunder and under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer. No consent of any other person, including, without limitation, creditors of the Servicer, and no license, permit, approval or authorization of, exemption by, notice or report to, or registration, filing or declaration with, any governmental authority is required by the Servicer in connection with this Agreement or the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the obligations required

hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer. This Agreement has been, and each instrument and document required hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer shall be, executed and delivered by a duly authorized partner of the Servicer, and this Agreement constitutes, and each instrument and document required hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer when executed and delivered by the Servicer hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer shall constitute, the valid and legally binding obligations of the Servicer enforceable against the Servicer in accordance with their terms, subject to (a) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights and (b) general equitable principles.

(iii) The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer and the documents and instruments required hereunder or under the terms of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer shall not violate or conflict with any provision of any existing law or regulation binding on or applicable to the Servicer, or any order, judgment, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or governmental authority binding on the Servicer, or the Governing Instruments of, or any securities issued by the Servicer or of any mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking to which the Servicer is a party or by which the Servicer or any of its assets may be bound, the violation of which would have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Servicer or its ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement and the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer, and shall not result in or require the creation or imposition of any lien on any of its material property, assets or revenues pursuant to the provisions of any such mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking.

(iv) There is no charge, investigation, action, suit or proceeding before or by any court pending or, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, threatened that, if determined adversely to the Servicer, would have a material adverse effect upon the performance by the Servicer of its duties under, or on the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement and the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer.

(v) The Servicer is a registered investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act.

(vi) The Servicer is not in violation of its Governing Instruments or in breach or violation of or in default under any contract or agreement to which it is a party or by which it or any of its property may be bound, or any applicable statute or any rule, regulation or order of any court, government agency or body having jurisdiction over the Servicer or its properties, the breach or violation of which or default under which would have a material adverse effect on the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the provisions of the other Transaction Documents applicable to the Servicer, or the performance by the Servicer of its duties hereunder.

(vii) All Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments purchased on behalf of the Issuer on the Closing Date satisfy paragraphs (15), (28) and (29) of the definition of "Collateral Obligation" in the case of a Collateral Obligation or, in the case

of Eligible Investments, are not described in clause (5) of the exclusions to the definition of "Eligible Investment", as of the date of purchase or commitment to purchase (if earlier) thereof; provided that a Collateral Obligation will be deemed to satisfy paragraph (29) of the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and an Eligible Investment will be deemed not to be described in clause (5) of the exclusions to the definition of "Eligible Investment" if it is acquired in accordance with the requirements of Annex 1.

17. Notices.

Unless expressly provided otherwise herein, all notices, requests, demands and other communications required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing (including by telecopy) and shall be deemed to have been duly given, made and received when delivered against receipt or upon actual receipt of registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, or, in the case of telecopy notice, when received in legible form, addressed as set forth below:

(a) If to the Issuer:

Stratford CLO Ltd.  
c/o Maples Finance Limited  
P.O. Box 1093GT  
Queensgate House, South Church Street  
George Town, Grand Cayman, KY1-1108, Cayman Islands  
Telephone: (345) 945-7099  
Telecopy: (345) 945-7100  
Attention: The Directors

(b) If to the Servicer:

Highland Capital Management, L.P.  
Two Galleria Tower  
13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300  
Dallas, Texas 75240  
Telephone: (972) 628-4100  
Telecopy: (972) 628-4147  
Attention: James Dondero

(c) If to the Trustee:

State Street Bank and Trust Company  
200 Clarendon Street  
Mailcode: EUC-108  
Boston, Massachusetts 02116  
Telecopy: (617) 351-4358  
Attention: CDO Services Group

(d) If to the Noteholders:

In accordance with Section 14.3 of the Indenture, at their respective addresses set forth on the Note Register.

(e) If to the Holders of the Preference Shares:

In accordance with Section 14.3 of the Indenture, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent at the address identified therein.

(f) if to the Rating Agencies:

In accordance with Section 14.3 of the Indenture, to the rating Agencies at the address identified therein.

Any party may alter the address or telecopy number to which communications or copies are to be sent by giving notice of such change of address in conformity with the provisions of this Section 17 for the giving of notice.

18. Binding Nature of Agreement; Successors and Assigns.

This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns as provided herein. The Servicer hereby consents to the collateral assignment of this Agreement as provided in the Indenture and further agrees that the Trustee may enforce the Servicer's obligations hereunder.

19. Entire Agreement.

This Agreement contains the entire agreement and understanding among the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements, understandings, inducements and conditions, express or implied, oral or written, of any nature whatsoever with respect to the subject matter hereof. The express terms hereof control and supersede any course of performance and/or usage of the trade inconsistent with any of the terms hereof. This Agreement may not be modified or amended other than by an agreement in writing executed by the parties hereto and in accordance with the terms of Section 15.1(h) of the Indenture.

20. Conflict with the Indenture.

Subject to the last two sentences of Section 2(a)(i), in the event that this Agreement requires any action to be taken with respect to any matter and the Indenture requires that a different action be taken with respect to such matter, and such actions are mutually exclusive, the provisions of the Indenture in respect thereof shall control.

21. Priority of Payments.

The Servicer agrees that the payment of all amounts to which it is entitled pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture shall be due and payable only in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Indenture and only to the extent funds are available for such payments in accordance with such priorities.

22. Governing Law.

**THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS PROVISIONS THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION.**



23. Indulgences Not Waivers.

Neither the failure nor any delay on the part of any party hereto to exercise any right, remedy, power or privilege under this Agreement shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power or privilege preclude any other or further exercise of the same or of any other right, remedy, power or privilege, nor shall any waiver of any right, remedy, power or privilege with respect to any occurrence be construed as a waiver of such right, remedy, power or privilege with respect to any other occurrence. No waiver shall be effective unless it is in writing and is signed by the party asserted to have granted such waiver.

24. Costs and Expenses.

Except as may otherwise be agreed in writing, the costs and expenses (including the fees and disbursements of counsel and accountants) incurred by each party in connection with the negotiation and preparation of and the execution of this Agreement, and all matters incident thereto, shall be borne by such party.

25. Titles Not to Affect Interpretation.

The titles of paragraphs and subparagraphs contained in this Agreement are for convenience only, and they neither form a part of this Agreement nor are they to be used in the construction or interpretation hereof.

26. Execution in Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts by facsimile or other written form of communication, each of which shall be deemed to be an original as against any party whose signature appears thereon, and all of which shall together constitute one and the same instrument. This Agreement shall become binding when one or more counterparts hereof, individually or taken together, shall bear the signatures of all of the parties reflected hereon as the signatories.

27. Provisions Separable.

In case any provision in this Agreement shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable as written, such provision shall be construed in the manner most closely resembling the apparent intent of the parties with respect to such provision so as to be valid, legal and enforceable; provided, however, that if there is no basis for such a construction, such provision shall be ineffective only to the extent of such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability and, unless the ineffectiveness of such provision destroys the basis of the bargain for one of the parties to this Agreement, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions hereof or thereof shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

28. Number and Gender.

Words used herein, regardless of the number and gender specifically used, shall be deemed and construed to include any other number, singular or plural, and any other gender, masculine, feminine or neuter, as the context requires.

29. Written Disclosure Statement.

The Issuer and the Trustee acknowledge receipt of Part II of the Servicer's Form ADV filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, as required by Rule 204-3 under the Investment Advisers Act, more than 48 hours prior to the date of execution of this Agreement.

30. Miscellaneous.

(a) In the event that any vote is solicited with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall vote or refrain from voting any such security in any manner permitted by the Indenture that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities. In addition, with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, may instruct the trustee for such Defaulted Collateral Obligation to enforce the Issuer's rights under the Underlying Instruments governing such Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any applicable law, rule or regulation in any manner permitted under the Indenture that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities. In the event any Offer is made with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, may take such action as is permitted by the Indenture and that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities.

(b) In connection with taking or omitting any action under the Indenture or this Agreement, the Servicer may consult with counsel and may rely in good faith on the advice of such counsel or any opinion of counsel.

Any corporation, partnership or limited liability company into which the Servicer may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any corporation, partnership or limited liability company resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Servicer shall be a party, or any corporation, partnership or limited liability company succeeding to all or substantially all of the asset servicing and collateral management business of the Servicer, shall be the successor to the Servicer without any further action by the Servicer, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Noteholders or any other person or entity.

31. Limitation of Liabilities.

The Issuer's obligations hereunder are solely the corporate obligations of the Issuer and the Servicer shall not have any recourse to any of the directors, officers, shareholders, members or incorporators of the Issuer with respect to any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations in connection with any transactions contemplated hereby. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, the obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be limited to the net proceeds of the Collateral, if any, and following realization of the Collateral and its application in accordance with the Indenture, any outstanding obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. The provisions of this section shall survive termination of this Agreement.

32. Waiver of Jury Trial Right.

EACH PARTY HEREBY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY RIGHT THAT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN RESPECT OF ANY PROCEEDING. EACH PARTY HEREBY (I) CERTIFIES THAT NO REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT OR ATTORNEY OF THE OTHER HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT THE OTHER WOULD NOT, IN THE EVENT OF A PROCEEDING, SEEK TO ENFORCE

THE FOREGOING WAIVER AND (II) ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT HAS BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS PARAGRAPH.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,  
as Servicer

BY: STRAND ADVISORS, INC.,  
as General Partner



By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: **Todd Travers, Assistant Secretary**  
Title: **Strand Advisors, Inc., General Partner of  
Highland Capital Management, L.P.**

STRATFORD CLO LTD.,  
as Issuer

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

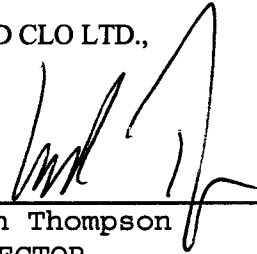
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By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name:  
Title:

STRATFORD CLO LTD.,  
as Issuer

By:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Hugh Thompson  
Title: DIRECTOR

## ANNEX 1

### Certain Asset Acquisition Provisions

Unless otherwise noted, references to the Issuer in this Annex 1 include the Servicer and any other person acting on the Issuer's behalf. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein will have the meanings ascribed to them in the Indenture.

For purposes of this Annex 1,

“Affiliate” means, with respect to a specified Person, (a) any other Person that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls or is controlled by, or is under common control with, the specified Person, (b) any Person that is a member, director, officer or employee of (i) the specified Person or (ii) a Person described in clause (a) of this definition and (c) any fund or account which is managed by (i) the specified Person or (ii) a Person described in clause (a) of this definition; and

“Person” means an individual, a corporation, a limited liability company, a partnership, an association, a trust or any other entity or organization, including a government or political subdivision or an agency or instrumentality thereof.

#### Section I. General Investment Restrictions.

Except as otherwise provided in Section VI.D. of this Annex 1, the Issuer (and the Servicer acting on the Issuer's behalf) shall purchase debt securities, interests in loans and other assets (each a “Portfolio Obligation”) only in secondary-market transactions and it shall not engage in any lending or underwriting activities or otherwise participate in the structuring or origination of any Portfolio Obligation.

##### A. Communications and Negotiations.

1. The Issuer will not have any communications or negotiations with the obligor of a Portfolio Obligation or a Reference Obligation (directly or indirectly through an intermediary such as the seller of such Portfolio Obligation or the Synthetic Security) in connection with the issuance or funding of such Portfolio Obligation or Reference Obligation or commitments with respect thereto, except for communications of an immaterial nature or customary due diligence communications; provided, that the Servicer may provide comments as to mistakes or inconsistencies in loan documents (including with respect to any provisions that are inconsistent with the terms and conditions of purchase of the loan by the Issuer).

2. By way of example, permitted due diligence activities may include, but are not limited to, (a) attendance at an obligor's general “roadshow” or other presentations to investment professionals, (b) direct private discussions with personnel of the obligor, arranged by a sponsor, lead bank or other arranger, and (c) other due diligence activities of the kind customarily performed by offerees of the type of Portfolio Obligation being offered, but may not include any negotiations with the obligor, employees or agents of the obligor of any terms or conditions of the Portfolio Obligation being offered.

3. Negotiations between the Servicer and the underwriter, placement agent or broker of a Portfolio Obligation are permitted solely to the extent that they are limited to

responses to customary pre-offering period and offering period inquiries by the underwriter or placement agent (e.g., “If we offered you 10-year senior subordinated bonds of XYZ company, what spread would it require to interest you?”). For purposes of this Section I.A., “negotiations” shall not include (i) commenting on offering documents to an unrelated underwriter or placement agent when the ability to comment was generally available to other offerees, or (ii) communicating certain objective criteria (such as the minimum yield or maturity) the Issuer generally uses in purchasing the relevant type of Portfolio Obligation.

4. The Issuer may consent or otherwise act with respect to amendments, supplements or other modifications of the terms of any Portfolio Obligation (other than a Subsidiary Obligation (as defined in Section III)) requiring consent or action after the date on which any such Portfolio Obligation is acquired by the Issuer if (a) such amendment, supplement or modification would not constitute a Significant Modification (as defined below), (b) (i) in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the obligor is in financial distress and such change in terms is desirable to protect the Issuer's interest and (ii) the Portfolio Obligation is described in clause 5(b) of this Section I.A., (c) the amendment or modification would not be treated as the acquisition of a new Portfolio Obligation under paragraph 5 of this Section I.A., or (d) otherwise, if it has received written advice of counsel, which takes into account all the facts and circumstances, including the Issuer's other activities that its involvement in such amendment, supplement or modification will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business within the United States.

A “Significant Modification” means any amendment, supplement or other modification that involves (a) a change in the stated maturity or a change in the timing of any material payment of any Portfolio Obligation (including deferral of an interest payment), that would materially alter the weighted average life of the Portfolio Obligation, (b) any change (whether positive or negative) in the yield on the Portfolio Obligation (calculated taking into account any fee in consideration for such modification) immediately prior to the modification in excess of the greater of (i) 25 basis points or (ii) 5 percent of such unmodified yield, (c) any change involving a material new extension of credit, (d) a change in the obligor of any Portfolio Obligation (as determined for purposes of section 1001 of the Code), or (e) a material change in the collateral or security for any Portfolio Obligation, including the addition or deletion of a co-obligor or guarantor that results in a material change in payment expectations.

5. In the event the Issuer owns an interest in a Portfolio Obligation the terms of which are subsequently amended or modified, or in the case of a workout situation not described in Section III hereof, which Portfolio Obligation is subsequently exchanged for new obligations or other securities of the obligor of the Portfolio Obligation, such amendments or modifications or exchange will not be treated as the acquisition of an interest in a new Portfolio Obligation for purposes of this Annex 1, provided, that (a) the Issuer does not, directly or indirectly (through the Servicer or otherwise), seek the amendments or modifications or the exchange, or participate in negotiating the amendments or modifications or the exchange, and (b) at the time of original acquisition of the interest in the Portfolio Obligation, it was not reasonably anticipated that the terms of the Portfolio Obligation would, pursuant to a workout or other negotiation, subsequently be amended or modified.

B. Fees. The Issuer will not earn or receive from any Person any fee or other compensation for services, however denominated, in connection with its purchase or sale of a Portfolio Obligation or entering into a Synthetic Security; the foregoing prohibition shall not be construed to preclude the Issuer from receiving (i) commitment fees, facility maintenance fees or other similar fees that are received by the Issuer in connection with revolving or delayed drawdown Loans or synthetic or pre-funded letter of

credit Loans; (ii) yield maintenance and prepayment penalty fees; (iii) fees on account of the Issuer's consenting to amendments, waivers or other modifications of the terms of any Portfolio Obligations (provided in the case of amendments, waivers and other modifications described in clause 4(b) of this Section I.A., but not in clauses 4(a), (c) or (d), such fees are generally available to all holders on the same terms); (iv) fees from permitted securities lending; or (v) upfront payments in lieu of periodic payments under a Synthetic Security. The Issuer will not provide services to any Person; the foregoing prohibition shall not be construed to preclude the Issuer from activities relating to the receipt of income described in (i) through (v) of the preceding sentence.

## Section II. Loans and Forward Purchase Commitments.

A. Any understanding or commitment to purchase a loan, a participation or a loan subparticipation (collectively, "Loans") from a seller before completion of the closing and full funding of the Loan by such seller shall only be made pursuant to a forward sale agreement at an agreed price (stated as a dollar amount or as a percentage) (a "Forward Purchase Commitment"), unless such an understanding or commitment is not legally binding and neither the Issuer nor the Servicer is economically compelled (e.g., would otherwise be subject to a significant monetary penalty) to purchase the Loan following the completion of the closing and full funding of the Loan (i.e., the Servicer will make an independent decision whether to purchase such Loan on behalf of the Issuer after completion of the closing of the Loan) (a "Non-Binding Agreement").

B. No Forward Purchase Commitment or Non-Binding Agreement shall be made until after the seller (or a transferor to such seller of such Loan) has made a legally binding commitment to fully fund such Loan to the obligor thereof (subject to customary conditions), which commitment cannot be conditioned on the Issuer's ultimate purchase of such Loan from such seller.

C. In the event of any reduced or eliminated funding, the Issuer shall not receive any premium, fee, or other compensation in connection with having entered into the Forward Purchase Commitment or Non-Binding Agreement.

D. The Issuer shall not close any purchase of a Loan subject to a Forward Purchase Commitment or a Non-Binding Agreement earlier than 48 hours after the time of the closing of the Loan (i.e., execution of definitive documentation), and, in the case of a Forward Purchase Commitment, the Issuer's obligation to purchase such Loan is subject to the condition that no material adverse change has occurred in the financial condition of the Loan's obligor or the relevant market on or before the relevant purchase date.

E. The Issuer cannot have a contractual relationship with the obligor with respect to a Loan until the Issuer actually purchases the Loan.

F. The Issuer cannot be a signatory on the original lending agreement, and cannot be obligated to fund an assignment of or a participation in a Loan, prior to the time specified in subsection D above.

G. In addition to the restrictions otherwise applicable to Loans, the Issuer shall not acquire any synthetic or pre-funded letter of credit Loan unless (1) the cash collateral deposit with respect to such Loan was fully funded by a predecessor in interest with respect to such Loan; (2) the Loan is part of a credit facility that includes another Loan (other than a synthetic or pre-funded letter of credit Loan) to the same obligor, and is being acquired in connection with the acquisition of such other Loan and from the same seller as such other Loan, with the intent to hold both parts and with the amount of the other Loan held by the Issuer being at least two times as large as the amount of the synthetic or pre-funded letter of



credit Loan held by the Issuer with the Issuer holding no less than the same percentage interest in the other Loan as in the synthetic or pre-funded letter of credit Loan; (3) such synthetic or pre-funded letter of credit Loan satisfies the requirements set forth in Section VI.B., treating the synthetic or pre-funded letter of credit Loan, for this purpose, as though it were a delayed drawdown or revolving Loan; and (4) at no time may the Issuer have entered into more than ten currently outstanding synthetic or pre-funded letter of credit Loans or may more than 5% of the aggregate principal amount of Portfolio Obligations consist of synthetic or pre-funded letter of credit Loans.

Section III. Distressed Debt.

A. The Issuer may only purchase a Debt Instrument (as defined below) that is a Potential Workout Obligation to the extent permitted by this Section III.

B. Neither the Issuer nor the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall purchase a Subsidiary Obligation from any Issuer Subsidiary.

C. Special Procedures for Subsidiary Obligations.

1. Potential Workout Obligations. On or prior to the date of acquisition, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall identify each Portfolio Obligation that is a Potential Workout Obligation.

2. Transfer of Subsidiary Obligations. From and after the occurrence of a Workout Determination Date with respect to a Subsidiary Obligation, neither the Issuer nor the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall knowingly take any action in respect of such Subsidiary Obligation that may result in the Issuer being engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes. As soon as practicable, but in any event within 30 calendar days following a Workout Determination Date, the Servicer shall cause the Issuer either (i) to sell or dispose of any Subsidiary Obligation identified on such Workout Determination Date to a Person that is not an Affiliate of the Issuer or Servicer or (ii) to assign any Subsidiary Obligation identified on such Workout Determination Date to an Issuer Subsidiary.

For purposes of this Annex 1, an "Issuer Subsidiary" means any wholly-owned corporate subsidiary of the Issuer to which a Special Workout Obligation may be transferred in accordance with this Annex 1.

3. Consideration for Assignment of Subsidiary Obligations. Consideration given by an Issuer Subsidiary for the assignment to it of Subsidiary Obligations may be in the form of cash or in the form of indebtedness of, or equity interests in, such Issuer Subsidiary.

4. Classification of Issuer Subsidiaries. Each Issuer Subsidiary shall be an entity treated as a corporation for United States federal income tax purposes.

As used herein:

"Potential Workout Obligation" means any debt instrument (any such instrument, including an interest in a Loan, a "Debt Instrument") which, as of the date of acquisition by the Issuer or an Issuer Subsidiary, based on information specific to such Debt Instrument or the circumstances of the obligor thereof, is a Workout Obligation or, in the reasonable determination of the Servicer, has a materially higher likelihood of becoming a Workout Obligation as

compared to debt obligations that par or other non-distressed debt purchasers or funds relating to that asset type customarily purchase and expect to hold to maturity.

“Subsidiary Obligation” means any Potential Workout Obligation (a) as to which the Issuer on any Workout Determination Date either (i) owns more than 40% of the aggregate principal amount of such class of Potential Workout Obligation outstanding or (ii) is one of the two largest holders of any class of debt of the obligor of such Potential Workout Obligation (based on the outstanding principal amount of such class of debt owned by the Issuer as a percentage of the aggregate outstanding principal amount of such class of debt) unless not fewer than three other holders and the Issuer collectively own at least 65% of such class of debt and, if the Issuer is the largest holder of such class, the Issuer’s percentage of such class does not exceed the percentage held by the next largest holder of the debt by more than 5% of such class or (b) that would, upon foreclosure or exercise of similar legal remedies, result in the Issuer directly owning assets (other than securities treated as debt, equity in a partnership not engaged in a trade or business within the United States, or corporate equity for United States federal income tax purposes, provided in the case of corporate equity that the corporation is not a “United States real property holding corporation” within the meaning of section 897 of the Code) which are “United States real property interests” within the meaning of section 897 of the Code or which the Servicer reasonably expects it would, on behalf of the Issuer, be required to actively manage to preserve the value of the Issuer’s interest therein; provided that a Potential Workout Obligation shall not be treated as a Subsidiary Obligation if the Issuer obtains a Tax Opinion that, based on all the surrounding circumstances, the activities in which the Issuer intends to engage with respect to such Potential Workout Obligation will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes.

“Workout Determination Date” means any date on which, in connection with the occurrence of any event described in clauses (a) through (c), inclusive, of the definition of Workout Obligation, either (a) any material action by the Issuer is required to be taken, (b) the Servicer receives written notice that such material action shall be required or (c) the Servicer reasonably determines that the taking of such material action is likely to be required.

“Workout Obligation” means any Debt Instrument as to which the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer (a) consents to a Significant Modification in connection with the workout of a defaulted Portfolio Obligation, (b) participates in an official or unofficial committee or similar official or unofficial body in connection with a bankruptcy, reorganization, restructuring or similar proceeding, or (c) exercises, or has exercised on its behalf, rights of foreclosure or similar judicial remedies.

#### Section IV. Purchases from the Servicer or its Affiliates.

A. If the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer acted as an underwriter, placement or other agent, arranger, negotiator or structuror, or received any fee for services (it being understood that receipts described in clauses (i) through (v) of Section I.B. are not construed as so treated), in connection with the issuance or origination of a Portfolio Obligation or was a member of the original lending syndicate with respect to the Portfolio Obligation or the Portfolio Obligation could not have been purchased by the Issuer under Sections II and IV of these guidelines in the same circumstances as it was purchased by the Servicer or such Affiliates (any such Portfolio Obligation, a “Special Procedures Obligation”), the Issuer will not acquire any interest in such Special Procedures Obligation (including entering into a commitment or agreement, whether or not legally binding or enforceable, to acquire such obligation directly or synthetically), from the Servicer, an Affiliate of the Servicer, or a fund managed by the Servicer, unless (i) the Special Procedures Obligation has been outstanding for at least 90 days, (ii) the holder of the

Special Procedures Obligation did not identify the obligation or security as intended for sale to the Issuer within 90 days of its issuance, (iii) the price paid for such Special Procedures Obligation by the Issuer is its fair market value at the time of acquisition by the Issuer and (iv) the transaction is proposed to, and the ultimate purchase is approved on behalf of the Issuer by, one or more Independent Advisors to the Issuer in accordance with the provisions of Section IV.B. below. The Issuer will not acquire any Special Procedures Obligation if, immediately following such acquisition, the fair market value of all Special Procedures Obligations owned by the Issuer would constitute more than 49% of the fair market value of all of the Issuer's assets at such time.

B. An “Independent Advisor” is a Person who is not an Affiliate of the Issuer, the Servicer or any fund managed by the Servicer.

1. The Issuer may not purchase or commit to enter into any such Special Procedures Obligation without prior approval by an Independent Advisor. If the Independent Advisor declines to approve a proposed Special Procedures Obligation, at least three months must elapse before any proposal with respect to the acquisition of debt or other obligations of the same obligor are proposed or considered.

2. The Issuer shall engage the Independent Advisor in an agreement the terms of which shall in substantial form set forth:

(a) the representation of the Independent Advisor, which the Servicer shall not know to be incorrect, that it has significant financial and commercial expertise, including substantial expertise and knowledge in and of the loan market and related investment arenas;

(b) the agreement between the Independent Advisor, the Issuer and the Servicer generally to the effect that (i) the Independent Advisor will operate pursuant to procedures consistent with maintaining his or her independence from the Servicer and its Affiliates, (ii) the Independent Advisor will have the sole authority and discretion to approve or reject purchase proposals made by the Servicer with respect to any Special Procedures Obligation, (iii) all proposals for the Issuer to acquire any Special Procedures Obligation will be first submitted to the Independent Advisor, (iii) the Servicer will prepare the materials it deems necessary to describe the Special Procedures Obligation to the Independent Advisor, (iv) the Investment Advisor will not be required to make any decision to accept or decline a Special Procedures Obligation at the price offered prior to its review of the materials prepared, plus any additional information requested by the Independent Advisor, and (v) no Independent Advisor may be proposed to be replaced by the Servicer, unless for cause or in the event of a resignation of such Independent Advisor; and

(c) such other commercially reasonable terms and conditions, including terms and conditions to the effect that (i) the Independent Advisor will be paid a reasonable fee for its services plus reimbursement of any reasonable expenses incurred in performance of his or her responsibilities, (ii) the Independent Advisor may be removed or replaced only by a majority (whether by positive act or failure to object) of the probable equity owners (as determined for United States federal income tax purposes) of the Issuer, (iii) if at any time there is more than one Independent Advisor to the Issuer, a majority of such Independent Advisors must approve any Special Procedures Obligation subject to Independent Advisor approval, (iv) an Independent Advisor may not engage, directly or indirectly, in the negotiation of the terms of any Special Procedures Obligation to be

acquired by the Issuer (provided however, that an Independent Advisor may negotiate with the Servicer or the seller with respect to the price and terms of the Issuer's purchase of the Special Procedures Obligation, provided further that the Independent Advisor will not make suggestions to the Servicer or any other person about alternative or modified terms of the underlying Special Procedures Obligation on which they might be willing to approve such a Special Procedures Obligation).

3. Any servicing agreement or other document under which the Servicer is granted signatory powers or other authority on behalf of the Issuer will provide that such powers or authority with respect to Special Procedures Obligations are conditioned upon the prior written approval of the Independent Advisor.

4. No Special Procedures Obligation will be presented to an Independent Advisor until at least 90 days have elapsed since the later of (a) the execution of final documentation and (b) the funding in whole or part of the Special Procedures Obligation and there will have been no commitment or arrangement prior to that time that the Issuer will acquire any such Special Procedures Obligation; provided, further, that the Special Procedures Obligation will not be treated as outstanding for any day on which the Issuer enjoys the benefits and burdens of ownership (for example, because any Person has hedged its credit exposure to the Special Procedures Obligation with the Issuer).

5. The Issuer will have no obligation to, or understanding that it will refund, reimburse or indemnify any person (including an Affiliate of the Servicer), directly or indirectly, for "breakage" costs or other costs or expenses incurred by such person if the Independent Advisor determines that the Issuer should decline to purchase any Special Procedures Obligation.

6. Neither the Servicer nor any Affiliate of the Servicer will have any authority to enter into agreements, or take any action, on behalf of the Issuer with respect to Special Procedures Obligations without the prior written approval of an Independent Advisor. Except as may be conditioned upon such prior written approval, neither the Servicer nor any Affiliate of the Servicer may hold itself out as having signatory powers on behalf of the Issuer or authority to enter into agreements with respect to Special Procedures Obligations on behalf of the Issuer.

#### Section V. Synthetic Securities.

A. The Issuer shall not (i) acquire or enter into any Synthetic Security with respect to any Reference Obligation the direct acquisition of which would violate any provision of this Annex 1 or (ii) use Synthetic Securities as a means of making advances to the Synthetic Security Counterparty following the date on which the Synthetic Security is acquired or entered into (for the avoidance of doubt, the establishment of Synthetic Security collateral accounts and the payment of Synthetic Security Counterparties from the amounts on deposit therein, shall not constitute the making of advances).

B. With respect to each Synthetic Security, the Issuer will not acquire or enter into any Synthetic Security that does not satisfy all of the following additional criteria unless the Servicer has first received written advice of counsel that, taking into account all facts and circumstances, including the Issuer's other activities, the ownership and disposition of such Synthetic Security would not cause the Issuer to be engaged in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes:

1. the criteria used to determine whether to enter into any particular Synthetic Security was similar to the criteria used by the Servicer in making purchase decisions with respect to debt securities;

2. the Synthetic Security is acquired by or entered into by the Issuer for its own account and for investment purposes with the expectation of realizing a profit from income earned on the securities (and any potential rise in their value) during the interval of time between their purchase and sale or hedging purposes and not with an intention to trade or to sell for a short-term profit;

3. the Issuer enters into the Synthetic Security with a counterparty that (x) is neither a special purpose vehicle nor an insurance company and (y) is a broker-dealer or that holds itself out as in the business of entering into such contracts;

4. neither the Issuer nor any Person acting on behalf of the Issuer advertises or publishes the Issuer's ability to enter into Synthetic Securities;

5. except with respect to (x) credit-linked notes or similar Synthetic Securities and (y) any other Synthetic Securities where standard form ISDA documentation is not applicable, the Synthetic Security is written on standard form ISDA documentation;

6. the net payment from the Issuer to the Synthetic Security Counterparty is not determined based on an actual loss incurred by the Synthetic Security Counterparty or any other designated person;

7. there exists no agreement, arrangement or understanding that (i) the Synthetic Security Counterparty is required to own or hold the related Reference Obligation while the Synthetic Security remains in effect or (ii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty is economically or practically compelled to own or hold the related physical Reference Obligation while the Synthetic Security remains in effect;

8. the Synthetic Security provides for (i) all cash settlement, (ii) all physical settlement or (iii) the option to either cash settle or physically settle; provided that, in the latter two cases, physical settlement provides the settling party the right to settle the Synthetic Security by delivering deliverable obligations which *may* include the Reference Obligation and the settling party must not be required to deliver the related Reference Obligation upon the settlement of such Synthetic Security.

Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, a Synthetic Security providing for physical settlement may require a party to deliver the related Reference Obligation if either:

(i) at the time the Issuer enters into such Synthetic Security, such Reference Obligation is readily available to purchasers generally in a liquid market; or

(ii) the written advice of both United States federal income tax and insurance counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters is that, taking into account all the relevant facts and circumstances with respect to such Synthetic Security and the Issuer's other activities, the acquisition of such Synthetic Security will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis and should

not cause the Issuer to be treated as writing insurance in the United States under the law of the state in which the Synthetic Security Counterparty is organized.

9. the Synthetic Security is not treated as insurance or a financial guarantee for regulatory purposes in the United States or Cayman Islands or any other jurisdiction where the Issuer could be subject to insurance regulation.

As used herein:

“Reference Obligation” means a debt security or other obligation upon which a Synthetic Security is based.

“Synthetic Security” means any swap transaction or security, other than a participation interest in a Loan, that has payments associated with either payments of interest and/or principal on a Reference Obligation or the credit performance of a Reference Obligation.

“Synthetic Security Counterparty” means an entity (other than the Issuer) required to make payments on a Synthetic Security (including any guarantor).

#### Section VI. Other Types of Assets.

A. Equity Restrictions. The Issuer will not purchase any asset (directly or synthetically) that is:

1. not treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes either as debt or as issued by an entity that is a corporation (within the meaning of Section 7701 of the Code), or
2. a “United States real property interest” as defined in section 897 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.

The Issuer may cause an Issuer Subsidiary to acquire assets set forth in clause (i) or (ii) above (each, an “ETB/897 Asset”) in connection with the workout of defaulted Portfolio Obligations, so long as the acquisition of ETB/897 Assets by such Issuer Subsidiary will not cause the stock of such Issuer Subsidiary to be deemed to be an ETB/897 Asset.

B. Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans. All of the terms of any advance required to be made by the Issuer under any revolving or delayed drawdown Loan will be fixed as of the date of the Issuer’s purchase thereof (or will be determinable under a formula that is fixed as of such date), and the Issuer and the Servicer will not have any discretion (except for consenting or withholding consent to amendments, waivers or other modifications or granting customary waivers upon default) as to whether to make advances under such revolving or delayed drawdown Loan.

C. Securities Lending Agreements. The Issuer will not purchase any Portfolio Obligation primarily for the purpose of entering into a securities lending agreement with respect thereto.

D. Exception From Secondary Market Rule for Debt Securities. Any purchase of a Portfolio Obligation other than a Loan (a “Debt Security”) pursuant to a commitment, arrangement or other understanding made before or contemporaneously with completion of the closing and funding of such Debt Security issuance shall be made only in connection with one of the following:

(i) an underwriting of a registered public offering in which the seller has made a firm underwriting commitment to the issuer of such Debt Security where none of the Servicer or any Affiliate thereof acted as an underwriter or placement agent or participated in negotiating or structuring the terms of the Debt Security (other than to comment on offering documents to an unrelated underwriter or placement agent where the ability to comment was generally available to investors and to undertake due diligence of the kind customarily performed by investors in securities),

(ii) a private placement to qualified investors (pursuant to Rule 144A or Section 4(2) under the Securities Act or other similar arrangement) in which such Debt Security was originally issued pursuant to an offering circular, private placement memorandum, or similar offering document and none of the Servicer or any Affiliate thereof acted as a placement agent or underwriter or participated in negotiating or structuring the terms of the Debt Security (other than to comment on offering documents to an unrelated underwriter or placement agent where the ability to comment was generally available to investors and to undertake due diligence of the kind customarily performed by investors in securities), or

(iii) an acquisition of or entry into a Synthetic Obligation in accordance with Section V. above;

If an Affiliate of the Servicer is acting as an underwriter or placement agent or an Affiliate of the Servicer or an employee of an Affiliate of the Servicer participated in the structuring of an issuance otherwise described in clause (i) or clause (ii) of this paragraph D, one of the following additional conditions must be met:

(x) the Servicer did not participate in negotiating or structuring the terms of the obligation or security (other than to comment on offering documents to an unrelated underwriter or placement agent where the ability to comment was generally available to investors and to undertake due diligence of the kind customarily performed by investors in securities) and the Issuer purchases no more than 33% of the aggregate principal amount of the tranche of securities (or other instruments) of which such Debt Security is a part and more than 50% of the aggregate principal amount of such tranche is substantially contemporaneously sold to one or more Persons unrelated to the Servicer (and who have not given the Servicer discretionary trading authority) on terms and conditions substantially the same as those on which the Issuer is to purchase,

(y) the Servicer did not participate in negotiating or structuring the terms of the obligation or security (other than to comment on offering documents to an unrelated underwriter or placement agent where the ability to comment was generally available to investors and to undertake due diligence of the kind customarily performed by investors in securities) and the Issuer purchases less than 50% of the aggregate principal amount of all tranches issued as part of the transaction in which the Debt Security was issued and more than 50% of the aggregate principal amount of such tranches are substantially contemporaneously sold to one or more Persons unrelated to the Servicer (and who have not given the Servicer discretionary trading authority) on terms and conditions substantially the same as those on which the Issuer is to purchase, or

(z) such security or obligation satisfies the requirements and procedures applicable to Special Procedures Obligations in Section IV as though it were a Loan;

provided, however, in either of (x) or (y), the Affiliate of the Servicer was (or the employees of the Affiliate of the Servicer were) acting as an underwriter or placement agent (or otherwise participated in

the structuring of such issuance) solely as, or solely as an employee of, a Permitted Affiliate (as defined below); and provided further, that for purposes of calculating the total principal amount sold to related parties under this paragraph D, purchases by Affiliates will be considered purchases by persons unrelated to the Servicer so long as the Servicer has no knowledge of such purchases and has no reason to know of such purchases.

“Permitted Affiliate” means any Affiliate (i) that is a separate legal entity that is operated independently of the Servicer, (ii) whose personnel are not managed by and who do not report to the personnel of the Servicer, and (iii) whose personnel are not compensated based upon the performance of the Servicer.

Section VII. General Restrictions on the Issuer. The Issuer itself shall not:

A. hold itself out, through advertising or otherwise, as originating Loans, lending funds, or making a market in or dealing in Loans or other assets;

B. register as, hold itself out as, or become subject to regulatory supervision or other legal requirements under the laws of any country or political subdivision thereof as, a broker-dealer, a bank, an insurance company, financial guarantor, a surety bond issuer, or a company engaged in Loan origination;

C. take any action causing it to be treated as a bank, insurance company, or company engaged in Loan origination for purposes of any tax, securities law or other filing or submission made to any governmental authority;

D. hold itself out, through advertising or otherwise, as originating, funding, guaranteeing or insuring debt obligations or as being willing and able to enter into transactions (either purchases or sales of debt obligations or entries into, assignments or terminations of hedging or derivative instruments, including Synthetic Securities) at the request of others;

E. treat Synthetic Securities as insurance, reinsurance, indemnity bonds, guaranties, guaranty bonds or suretyship contracts for any purpose;

F. allow any non-U.S. bank or lending institution who is a holder of a Security to control or direct the Servicer’s or Issuer’s decision to acquire a particular asset except as otherwise allowed to such a holder, acting in that capacity, under the related indenture or acquire a Portfolio Obligation conditioned upon a particular person or entity holding Securities;

G. acquire any asset the holding or acquisition of which would cause the Issuer to be subject to income tax on a net income basis;

H. hold any security as nominee for another person;

I. buy securities with the intent to subdivide them and sell the components or to buy securities and sell them with different securities as a package or unit; or

J. buy any Portfolio Obligation that the Servicer expects to default or for the purposes of restructuring the Portfolio Obligation or any obligation thereunder.



Section VIII. Tax Opinion; Amendments.

A. In furtherance and not in limitation of this Annex 1, the Servicer shall comply with all of the provisions set forth in this Annex 1, unless, with respect to a particular transaction or specific provision, the Servicer acting on behalf of the Issuer and the Trustee shall have received written advice of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP or Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP or an opinion of other counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters (a “Tax Opinion”), that, taking into account all the relevant facts and circumstances with respect to such transaction or such specific provision and the Issuer’s other activities, the Servicer’s failure to comply with one or more of such provisions will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis.

B. The provisions set forth in the Annex 1 may be amended, eliminated or supplemented by the Servicer if the Issuer, the Servicer and the Trustee shall have received a Tax Opinion that the Servicer’s compliance with such amended provisions or supplemental provisions or the failure to comply with such provisions proposed to be eliminated, as the case may be, will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis.

## **EXHIBIT NNN**

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Attached is an electronic copy of the Offering Circular (the “Offering Circular”), dated August 17, 2004, relating to the contemplated offering by (i) Valhalla CLO, Ltd. (the “Issuer”) and Valhalla CLO, Inc. (the “Co-Issuer” and, together with the Issuer, the “Issuers”) of Class A-1 Floating Rate Senior Extendable Notes, Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Extendable Notes, Class B Floating Rate Deferrable Senior Subordinate Extendable Notes, Class C-1 Floating Rate Deferrable Senior Subordinate Extendable Notes and Class C-2 Fixed Rate Deferrable Senior Subordinate Extendable Notes and (ii) the Issuer, of Extendable Income Notes, Class Q-1 Extendable Securities, Class Q-2A Securities and Class Q-2B Securities.

No registration statement relating to these securities has been or will be filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. These securities will be offered pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended. This Offering Circular does not constitute an offer to sell these securities or a solicitation of an offer to buy these securities, nor will there be any sale of these securities in any jurisdiction where such offer, solicitation or sale is not permitted.

Distribution of this electronic transmission of the Offering Circular to any person other than (a) the person receiving this electronic transmission from the initial purchaser and/or placement agent on behalf of the Issuer or the Issuers and (b) any person retained to advise the person receiving this electronic transmission with respect to the offering contemplated by this Offering Circular (each, an “Authorized Recipient”) is unauthorized, provided that each recipient of this electronic transmission from the initial purchaser and/or placement agent (and each employee, representative, or other agent of the recipient) may disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the U.S. federal income tax treatment and tax structure of the transaction and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to the recipient relating to such tax treatment and tax structure. Except as provided in the preceding sentence, any photocopying, disclosure or alteration of the contents of this Offering Circular, and any forwarding of a copy of this Offering Circular or any portion thereof by electronic mail or any other means to any person other than an Authorized Recipient, is prohibited.

By accepting delivery of this Offering Circular, each recipient hereof agrees to the foregoing.

# Valhalla CLO, Ltd. Valhalla CLO, Inc.

U.S. \$62,000,000 Class A-1 Floating Rate Senior Extendable Notes  
U.S. \$56,000,000 Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Extendable Notes  
U.S. \$39,500,000 Class B Floating Rate Deferrable Senior Subordinate Extendable Notes  
U.S. \$21,000,000 Class C-1 Floating Rate Deferrable Senior Subordinate Extendable Notes  
U.S. \$5,000,000 Class C-2 Fixed Rate Deferrable Senior Subordinate Extendable Notes  
U.S. \$82,000,000 Extendable Income Notes

U.S. \$10,000,000 Class Q-1 Extendable Securities\*  
U.S. \$7,200,000 Class Q-2A Securities\*  
U.S. \$40,000,000 Class Q-2B Securities\*

\*The Class Q-1 Securities consist of the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component representing U.S. \$5,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Class C-2 Notes and the Class Q-1 Income Note Component representing U.S. \$5,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Income Notes. The Class Q-2 Securities are secured by the Class Q-2 Collateral Assets as described herein, including U.S. \$25,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Income Notes. The aggregate principal amount of the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Assets and the aggregate principal amount of Income Notes and Class C-2 Notes to which the Class Q-1 Income Note Component and the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component relate are included in (and are not in addition to) the aggregate principal amount of the relevant Class of Senior Notes or Income Notes.

The Senior Notes, the Income Notes and the Class Q Securities (together, the "Securities") are being issued by Valhalla CLO, Ltd., a newly formed exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the "Issuer"). The Senior Notes, Income Notes and Class Q Securities will constitute limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer. The Senior Notes will be co-issued on a non-recourse basis by Valhalla CLO, Inc., a newly formed Delaware corporation (the "Co-Issuer," and together with the Issuer, the "Issuers"). The Class Q-1 Securities represent Class C-2 Notes and Income Notes as described herein. Payments on the Securities will be made in accordance with the Indenture quarterly on the first day of each February, May, August and November beginning on and including February 1, 2005 (or if any such day is not a Business Day, the first Business Day thereafter). The Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities are scheduled to mature on August 1, 2016, unless the maturity is extended. The maturity of the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities is subject to an extension of four years to August 1, 2020 if the Swap Agreement is extended at the option of the Swap Counterparty and certain conditions are satisfied. As a condition to the extension, holders of Notes and Class Q-1 Securities will be able to sell their Securities to a designated purchaser as described herein. The Class Q-2 Securities are scheduled to mature on April 28, 2034. See "Description of the Securities—Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities and Extension of Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities." Notes and Class Q-1 Securities may be subject to purchase by an affiliate of the Swap Counterparty or a designee thereof in certain circumstances in the case of an amendment to the Indenture or the Swap Agreement. See "Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out." The assets of the Issuer that will be pledged to secure the Notes will comprise solely (i) Eligible Investments acquired with the net proceeds from the issuance of the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities and from time to time thereafter with other amounts received by the Issuer, (ii) the rights of the Issuer under a portfolio swap agreement (the "Swap Agreement") between the Issuer and Citigroup Financial Products Inc. (the "Swap Counterparty") with respect to a portfolio of reference obligations and a guarantee (the "Swap Guarantee") of the Swap Counterparty's obligations thereunder by Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc. (the "Swap Guarantor"), (iii) funds on deposit in certain accounts, (iv) the rights of the Issuer under the Collateral Administration Agreement and (v) certain payments or distributions received in respect of the Eligible Investments and the Swap Agreement (collectively, the "Trust Estate"). The Trust Estate will also secure the obligations of the Issuer to the Swap Counterparty, the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator. The Issuer will also own the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral, which will be pledged to secure the Class Q-2 Securities.

The Swap Agreement will relate to the performance of a portfolio of up to U.S. \$895,500,000 in Aggregate Reference Value comprised of Reference Obligations (including term loans, revolving loans, credit linked notes, credit swaps and bonds) satisfying certain criteria. By reason of their investment in the Notes, the Holders of the Notes will bear the risk of first loss on the portfolio of Reference Obligations, in accordance with the subordination provisions relating to each Class of Notes as described herein. Highland Capital Management, L.P. will act on behalf of the Swap Counterparty as reference portfolio manager (the "Reference Portfolio Manager") in selecting and managing the portfolio of Reference Obligations under the Swap Agreement.

The Senior Notes will be initially offered at the prices specified in the "Summary."

It is a condition to the issuance of the Securities that the Class A-1 Notes be rated "Aaa" by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("Moody's") and "AAA" by Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. ("Standard & Poor's"), the Class A-2 Notes be rated at least "Aa2" by Moody's and at least "AA" by Standard & Poor's, the Class B Notes be rated at least "A2" by Moody's and at least "A" by Standard & Poor's and the Class C-1 Notes and the Class C-2 Notes be rated at least "Baa2" by Moody's and at least "BBB" by Standard & Poor's. In addition, it is a condition to the issuance of the Securities that the Class Q-1 Securities be rated at least "Baa2" by Moody's, subject to the limitations on such rating described herein. The Income Notes will not be rated by Moody's, Standard & Poor's or any other rating agency.

Application will be made to list the Securities on the Irish Stock Exchange. There can be no assurance that any such listing will be obtained. The issuance and settlement of the Securities on the Closing Date will not be conditioned on the listing of the Securities on the Irish Stock Exchange.

## Investing in the Securities involves risks. See "Risk Factors" beginning on page 14.

The Securities do not represent an interest in or obligations of, and are not insured or guaranteed by, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Share Trustee, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, the Administrator or any of their respective Affiliates or any Affiliates of the Issuers.

The Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), or any state securities laws and the Issuers have not registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Investment Company Act"). In the United States, the Senior Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class Q-2A Securities are being offered only to "Qualified Institutional Buyers" (as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act ("Rule 144A")) and the Income Notes are being offered only to "Qualified Institutional Buyers" or "Accredited Investors" (as defined in Rule 501(a) under the Securities Act), in each case which are also "Qualified Purchasers" for purposes of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act. The Class Q-2B Securities are not being offered in the United States. The Securities are being offered outside the United States to non-U.S. persons in accordance with Regulation S under the Securities Act. For a description of certain restrictions on transfers of the Securities, see "Purchase and Transfer Restrictions."

Citigroup Global Markets Inc., as Initial Purchaser of the Senior Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class Q-2A Securities and as Placement Agent for the Income Notes and Class Q-2B Securities, expects to deliver the Securities to purchasers on or about August 18, 2004.

**Citigroup**

August 17, 2004



**You should rely only on the information contained in this Offering Circular. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with different information. We are not, and the Initial Purchaser and Placement Agent are not, making an offer of these Securities in any jurisdiction where the offer is not permitted. You should not assume that the information contained in this Offering Circular is accurate as of any date other than the date on the front of this Offering Circular.**

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## **NOTICES TO PURCHASERS**

### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM**

EACH OF THE INITIAL PURCHASER AND THE PLACEMENT AGENT HAS REPRESENTED, WARRANTED AND AGREED THAT IT HAS NOT OFFERED OR SOLD AND, PRIOR TO THE EXPIRY OF A PERIOD OF SIX MONTHS FROM THE CLOSING DATE, WILL NOT OFFER OR SELL ANY SECURITIES TO PERSONS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM EXCEPT TO PERSONS WHOSE ORDINARY ACTIVITIES INVOLVE THEM IN ACQUIRING, HOLDING, MANAGING OR DISPOSING OF INVESTMENTS (AS PRINCIPAL OR AGENT) FOR THE PURPOSES OF THEIR BUSINESSES OR OTHERWISE IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH HAVE NOT RESULTED AND WILL NOT RESULT IN AN OFFER TO THE PUBLIC IN THE UNITED KINGDOM WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE PUBLIC OFFERS OF SECURITIES REGULATIONS 1995; IT HAS ONLY COMMUNICATED OR CAUSED TO BE COMMUNICATED AND WILL ONLY COMMUNICATE OR CAUSE TO BE COMMUNICATED ANY INVITATION OR INDUCEMENT TO ENGAGE IN INVESTMENT ACTIVITY (WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 21 OF THE FINANCIAL SERVICES AND MARKETS ACT 2000 (“FSMA”)) RECEIVED BY IT IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUE OR SALE OF ANY SECURITIES IN CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH SECTION 21(1) OF THE FSMA DOES NOT APPLY TO THE ISSUERS; AND IT HAS COMPLIED AND WILL COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE FSMA WITH RESPECT TO ANYTHING DONE BY IT IN RELATION TO THE SECURITIES IN, FROM OR OTHERWISE INVOLVING THE UNITED KINGDOM. THIS DOCUMENT IS ONLY BEING DISTRIBUTED TO AND IS ONLY DIRECTED AT (I) PERSONS WHO ARE OUTSIDE THE UNITED KINGDOM OR (II) TO INVESTMENT PROFESSIONALS FALLING WITHIN ARTICLE 19(5) OF THE FSMA (FINANCIAL PROMOTION) ORDER 2001 (THE “ORDER”) OR (III) HIGH NET WORTH ENTITIES, AND OTHER PERSONS TO WHOM IT MAY LAWFULLY BE COMMUNICATED, FALLING WITHIN ARTICLE 49(2) OF THE ORDER (ALL SUCH PERSONS TOGETHER BEING REFERRED TO AS “RELEVANT PERSONS”). THE SECURITIES ARE ONLY AVAILABLE TO, AND ANY INVITATION, OFFER OR AGREEMENT TO SUBSCRIBE, PURCHASE OR OTHERWISE ACQUIRE SUCH SECURITIES WILL BE ENGAGED IN ONLY WITH, RELEVANT PERSONS. ANY PERSON WHO IS NOT A RELEVANT PERSON SHOULD NOT ACT OR RELY ON THIS DOCUMENT OR ANY OF ITS CONTENTS.

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### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF GERMANY**

THE SECURITIES MAY ONLY BE ACQUIRED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GERMAN WERTPAPIERVERKAUFSPROSPEKTGESETZ (THE “SECURITIES SELLING PROSPECTUS ACT”) AND THE AUSLANDSINVESTMENTGESETZ (THE “ACT ON FOREIGN INVESTMENT FUNDS”). THE SECURITIES ARE NOT REGISTERED OR AUTHORIZED FOR DISTRIBUTION UNDER THE ACT ON FOREIGN INVESTMENT FUNDS AND ACCORDINGLY MAY NOT BE, AND ARE NOT BEING, OFFERED OR ADVERTISED PUBLICLY OR OFFERED SIMILARLY UNDER § 1 OF THE ACT ON FOREIGN INVESTMENT FUNDS OR THE SECURITIES SELLING PROSPECTUS ACT. THEREFORE, THIS OFFER IS ONLY BEING MADE TO RECIPIENTS TO WHOM THIS DOCUMENT IS PERSONALLY ADDRESSED AND DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER OR ADVERTISEMENT TO THE PUBLIC. THE SECURITIES CAN ONLY BE ACQUIRED FOR A MINIMUM PURCHASE PRICE OF AT LEAST €40,000 EXCLUDING COMMISSION AND OTHER FEES PER PERSON.

### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF JAPAN**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE LAW OF JAPAN (THE “SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE LAW”) AND EACH OF THE INITIAL PURCHASER AND THE PLACEMENT AGENT HAS AGREED THAT IT WILL NOT OFFER OR SELL ANY SECURITIES, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN JAPAN OR TO, OR FOR THE



BENEFIT OF, ANY RESIDENT OF JAPAN (WHICH TERM AS USED HEREIN MEANS ANY PERSON RESIDENT IN JAPAN, INCLUDING ANY CORPORATION OR OTHER ENTITY ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF JAPAN) OR TO OTHERS FOR RE-OFFERING OR RESALE, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN JAPAN OR TO A RESIDENT OF JAPAN AND THAT THEREAFTER IT WILL NOT OFFER OR SELL SUCH SECURITIES IN JAPAN OR TO A RESIDENT OF JAPAN EXCEPT PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF, AND OTHERWISE IN COMPLIANCE WITH, THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE LAW AND ANY RELEVANT LAWS, REGULATIONS AND MINISTERIAL GUIDELINES OF JAPAN.

#### **NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC IN THE CAYMAN ISLANDS**

NO INVITATION, WHETHER DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, MAY BE MADE TO THE PUBLIC IN THE CAYMAN ISLANDS TO SUBSCRIBE FOR THE SECURITIES. SECTION 194 OF THE COMPANIES LAW (2004 REVISION) OF THE CAYMAN ISLANDS PROVIDES THAT AN EXEMPTED COMPANY (SUCH AS THE ISSUER) THAT IS NOT LISTED ON THE CAYMAN ISLAND STOCK EXCHANGE IS PROHIBITED FROM MAKING ANY INVITATION OF THE PUBLIC IN THE CAYMAN ISLANDS TO SUBSCRIBE FOR ANY OF ITS SECURITIES. EACH PURCHASER OF THE SECURITIES AGREES THAT NO INVITATION MAY BE MADE TO THE PUBLIC IN THE CAYMAN ISLANDS TO SUBSCRIBE FOR THE SECURITIES.

#### **NOTICE TO NEW HAMPSHIRE RESIDENTS**

NEITHER THE FACT THAT A REGISTRATION STATEMENT OR AN APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE HAS BEEN FILED UNDER CHAPTER 421-B OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE UNIFORM SECURITIES ACT, AS AMENDED, WITH THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE NOR THE FACT THAT A SECURITY IS EFFECTIVELY REGISTERED OR A PERSON IS LICENSED IN THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CONSTITUTES A FINDING BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE THAT ANY DOCUMENT FILED UNDER RSA 421-B OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE UNIFORM SECURITIES ACT IS TRUE, COMPLETE AND NOT MISLEADING. NEITHER ANY SUCH FACT NOR THE FACT THAT AN EXEMPTION OR EXCEPTION IS AVAILABLE FOR A SECURITY OR A TRANSACTION MEANS THAT THE SECRETARY OF STATE HAS PASSED IN ANY WAY UPON THE MERITS OR QUALIFICATIONS OF, OR RECOMMENDED OR GIVEN APPROVAL TO, ANY PERSON, SECURITY OR TRANSACTION. IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE, OR CAUSE TO BE MADE, TO ANY PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER, CUSTOMER, OR CLIENT ANY REPRESENTATION INCONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PARAGRAPH.

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THE SECURITIES ARE OFFERED PURSUANT TO A CLAIM OF EXEMPTION UNDER SECTION 517.061 OF THE FLORIDA SECURITIES ACT (THE "FLORIDA ACT") AND HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE FLORIDA ACT IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA. FLORIDA RESIDENTS WHO ARE NOT "INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS" DESCRIBED IN SECTION 517.061(7) OF THE FLORIDA ACT HAVE THE RIGHT TO VOID THEIR PURCHASES OF THE SECURITIES WITHOUT PENALTY WITHIN THREE DAYS AFTER THE FIRST TENDER OF CONSIDERATION.

#### **NOTICE TO GEORGIA RESIDENTS**

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## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY OTHER RELEVANT JURISDICTION AND MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED UNLESS AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND APPLICABLE STATE SECURITIES LAWS AND THE LAWS OF ANY OTHER RELEVANT JURISDICTION IS AVAILABLE. EACH PURCHASER OF THE SENIOR NOTES WILL BE DEEMED TO MAKE AND EACH PURCHASER OF CLASS Q SECURITIES OR INCOME NOTES WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE APPROPRIATE PURCHASER REPRESENTATIONS AS DESCRIBED UNDER “PURCHASE AND TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS.” IN ADDITION, THE SECURITIES WILL BEAR RESTRICTIVE LEGENDS AND WILL BE SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFER AS DESCRIBED HEREIN, INCLUDING THE REQUIREMENT THAT TRANSFERORS OR TRANSFEREES OF SUCH SECURITIES BE DEEMED TO MAKE CERTAIN REPRESENTATIONS OR IN CERTAIN CASES FURNISH REPRESENTATION LETTERS, IN THE FORMS PRESCRIBED BY THE INDENTURE. ANY RESALE OR OTHER TRANSFER, OR ATTEMPTED RESALE OR ATTEMPTED OTHER TRANSFER, OF SECURITIES THAT IS NOT MADE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE APPLICABLE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS WILL BE TREATED BY THE ISSUERS AND THE TRUSTEE AS NULL AND VOID *AB INITIO*. SEE “PURCHASE AND TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS.”

THE NOTES AND THE CLASS Q SECURITIES WILL BE LIMITED RECOURSE DEBT OBLIGATIONS OF THE ISSUER AND THE SENIOR NOTES WILL BE NON-RECOURSE DEBT OBLIGATIONS OF THE CO-ISSUER. PAYMENTS ON THE NOTES AND THE CLASS Q-1 SECURITIES WILL BE MADE SOLELY FROM AND TO THE EXTENT OF THE AVAILABLE PROCEEDS OF THE TRUST ESTATE (NET OF AMOUNTS PAYABLE TO THE SWAP COUNTERPARTY AND CERTAIN OTHER AMOUNTS), WHICH WILL BE THE ONLY SOURCE OF PAYMENTS ON THE SECURITIES. PAYMENTS ON THE CLASS Q-2 SECURITIES WILL BE MADE SOLELY FROM AND TO THE EXTENT OF THE AVAILABLE PROCEEDS OF THE CLASS Q-2 SECURITIES COLLATERAL, WHICH WILL BE THE ONLY SOURCE OF PAYMENTS ON THE CLASS Q-2 SECURITIES. THE SECURITIES DO NOT REPRESENT AN INTEREST IN OR OBLIGATIONS OF, AND ARE NOT INSURED OR GUARANTEED BY, THE INITIAL PURCHASER, THE PLACEMENT AGENT, THE SWAP COUNTERPARTY, THE SWAP GUARANTOR, THE REFERENCE PORTFOLIO MANAGER, THE TRUSTEE, THE COLLATERAL ADMINISTRATOR, THE SHARE TRUSTEE, THE ADMINISTRATOR, THE AMENDMENT BUY-OUT PURCHASER OR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES OR ANY AFFILIATES OF THE ISSUERS.

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AFFECT THE ACCURACY OR COMPLETENESS OF THE CLASS Q-2 COLLATERAL ASSET B OFFERING DOCUMENTS.

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Copies of the Indenture and the Issuer’s Memorandum of Association and Articles of Association may be obtained by the Holders of the Securities upon request in writing to the Trustee. Copies of the Indenture will be available at the office of the Paying Agent in Ireland, for so long as any Class of the Securities is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange.

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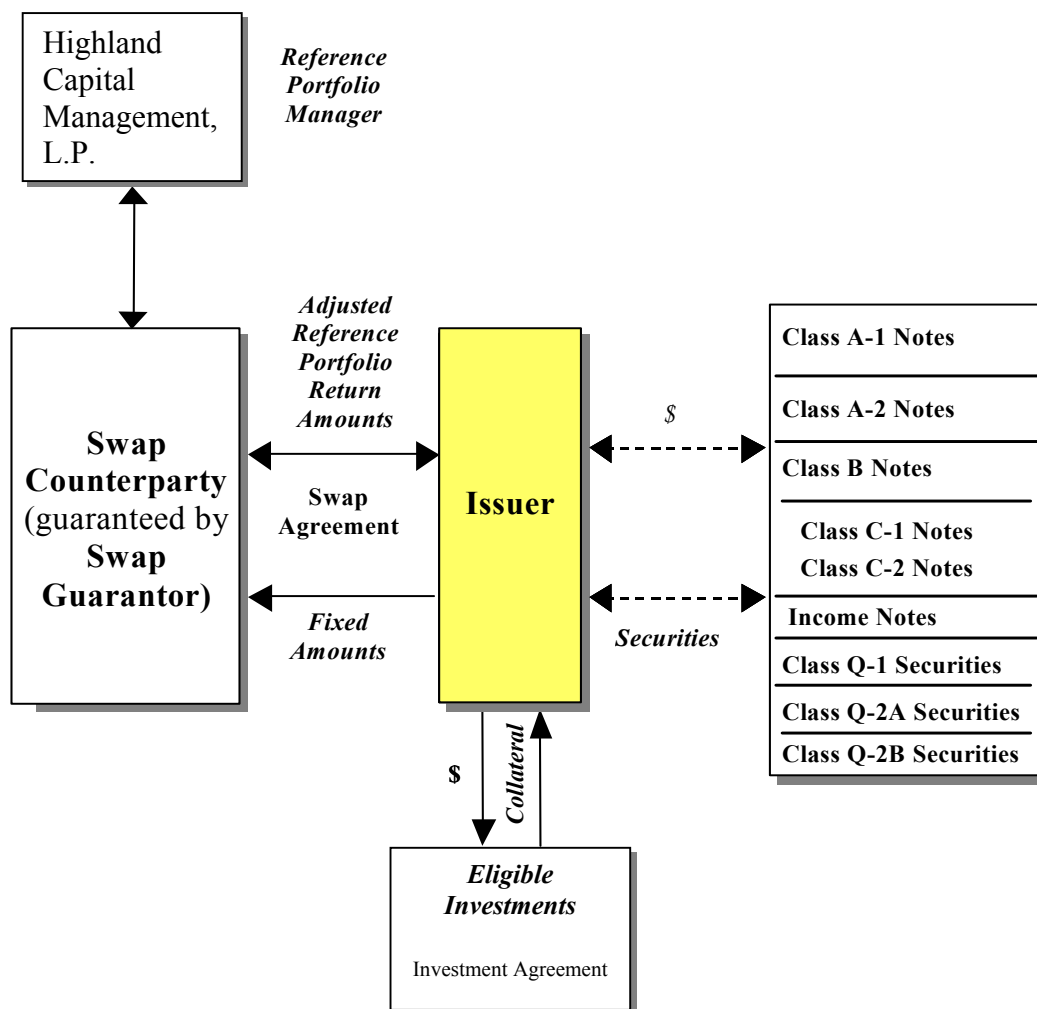
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The Issuer is an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands. As a result, it may not be possible for purchasers of the Securities to effect service of process upon the Issuer within the United States or to enforce against the Issuer in United States courts judgments predicated upon the civil liability provisions of the securities laws of the United States. The Issuer has been advised by Walkers, its legal advisor in the Cayman Islands, that the United States and the Cayman Islands do not currently have a treaty providing for reciprocal recognition and enforcement of judgments in civil and commercial matters and that a final judgment for the payment of money rendered by any federal or state court in the United States based on civil liability, whether or not predicated solely upon United States securities laws, would therefore not be automatically enforceable in the Cayman Islands, and that there is doubt as to the enforceability in the Cayman Islands, in original actions or in actions for the enforcement of judgments of the United States courts, of liabilities predicated solely upon United States securities laws. The Issuer will appoint Corporation Service Company, 1133 Avenue of the Americas, Suite 3100, New York, NY 10036 as its agent in New York for service of process.

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## Transaction Summary Diagram





## SUMMARY

*The following summary does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to (i) the detailed information appearing elsewhere in this Offering Circular and (ii) the terms and provisions of the related documents and agreements referred to herein. Certain capitalized terms used but not defined in the following summary are defined elsewhere in this Offering Circular.*

### Transaction Overview

On the Closing Date, the Issuer and Co-Issuer will issue the Senior Notes and the Issuer will issue the Income Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class Q-2 Securities, pursuant to the Indenture. The Securities may be sold at varying prices in negotiated transactions. The net proceeds from the issuance of the Notes (including Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A) and the Class Q-1 Securities, after payment of certain offering expenses and funding of the Expense Reserve Account, will be invested, together with certain other amounts received by the Issuer from time to time, in Eligible Investments. Such Eligible Investments may be sold or liquidated from time to time to obtain funds to make payments to the Swap Counterparty pursuant to the Swap Agreement and in respect of the Notes in accordance with the Priority of Payments, as described below.

On the Closing Date, the Issuer and the Swap Counterparty will enter into the Swap Agreement. Under the Swap Agreement, the Reference Portfolio Manager will designate a portfolio of Reference Obligations (the “Reference Portfolio”) and will manage the Reference Portfolio during the term of the transaction by adding and removing Reference Obligations from time to time under the terms and conditions described under “Description of the Swap Agreement—Selection and Modification of the Reference Portfolio.” In performing these functions, the Reference Portfolio Manager will act on behalf of the Swap Counterparty (and not on behalf of the Issuer). See “Risk Factors—Role of the Reference Portfolio Manager.”

Pursuant to the Swap Agreement, the Swap Counterparty will be required to make quarterly payments to the Issuer in an amount based on the aggregate amount of interest, commitment fees and other amounts payable (other than in respect of principal) with respect to the Reference Obligations included in the Reference Portfolio during that quarter, together with, for any Reference Obligations removed from the Reference Portfolio during that quarter, (i) the applicable portion of such amounts accrued for the part of the quarter in which the obligations were included in the Reference Portfolio and (ii) any increase or decrease in the value of those obligations during the period they were included in the Reference Portfolio, less certain amounts described in more detail below (or, if such net amount is negative, the Issuer will be required to pay the absolute value of such net amount to the Swap Counterparty). See “Description of the Swap Agreement—Payments under the Swap Agreement.” Amounts payable by the Issuer to the Swap Counterparty may be paid from the proceeds of the sale or liquidation of Eligible Investments in the Trust Estate, thereby reducing the amounts otherwise available to the Issuer for payment of its other obligations, including principal on the Senior Notes, and for distributions in respect of the Income Notes.

On each Payment Date, payments in respect of each Class of Securities will be made only after payments are made in respect of the Class or Classes of Securities to which such Class is subordinate in right of

payment (subject to an exception in connection with the Diversion Test) and in respect of other amounts ranking senior pursuant to the applicable priority of payments. Distributions in respect of the Income Notes will only be made after all payments then due are made on the Senior Notes and all other amounts that are then due by the Issuers have been paid. Accordingly, any shortfall in amounts available for such payments will first reduce distributions to the Holders of the Income Notes; second, reduce payments to the Holders of the Class C Notes; third, reduce payments to the Holders of the Class B Notes; fourth, reduce payments to the Holders of the Class A-2 Notes; and finally, reduce payments to the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes. Distributions in respect of the Class Q-2B Securities (other than the Class Q-2B Target Amount) will only be made after all payments then due are made on the Class Q-2A Securities. *See “Risk Factors—Subordination of Payment and Control.”*

#### The Reference Portfolio Manager

Highland Capital Management, L.P. (“Highland Capital”), as Reference Portfolio Manager, will manage the selection and modification of the Reference Portfolio on behalf of the Swap Counterparty under the Swap Agreement pursuant to a Reference Portfolio Management Agreement between the Reference Portfolio Manager and the Swap Counterparty (the “Reference Portfolio Management Agreement”). *See “Risk Factors—Conflicts of Interest Involving the Reference Portfolio Manager” and “The Reference Portfolio Manager and the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement.”* The Reference Portfolio Manager will act solely on behalf of the Swap Counterparty and will not act or be deemed to act on behalf of the Issuer or the Holders of Securities. Neither the Issuer nor the Holders of Securities will have any rights, as third party beneficiary or otherwise, against the Reference Portfolio Manager under the Swap Agreement or the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement, and the Reference Portfolio Manager will have no liability to the Issuer or the Holders of Securities thereunder. The Issuer and the Holders of Securities will have no direct recourse against the Reference Portfolio Manager as a result of action or inaction by the Reference Portfolio Manager thereunder. *See “Risk Factors—Role of the Reference Portfolio Manager.”* The Reference Portfolio Manager is a registered investment adviser under the U.S. Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended (the “Advisers Act”).

#### The Issuers

The activities of the Issuer will be limited to (i) issuance of its Ordinary Shares (not offered hereby), (ii) issuance of the Notes, (iii) issuance of the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class Q-2 Securities, (iv) entering into the Swap Agreement and exercising its rights and performing its obligations thereunder and under the Swap Guarantee, (v) acquiring and disposing of Eligible Investments, including the Investment Agreement, and the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral, (vi) entering into the Indenture and the Collateral Administration Agreement and exercising its rights and performing its obligations thereunder and (vii) engaging in other activities incidental to the foregoing and permitted by the Indenture.

The activities of the Co-Issuer will be limited to (i) issuance of its common stock (not offered hereby) and (ii) issuance of the Senior Notes. The Co-Issuer will have no assets (other than its equity capital), will not be a party to the Swap Agreement or any other agreement other than the Indenture, and will not pledge any assets to secure the Notes.

The Senior Notes

The Issuer and Co-Issuer will jointly issue the following Securities:

U.S. \$62,000,000 Class A-1 Floating Rate Senior Extendable Notes (the "Class A-1 Notes");

U.S. \$56,000,000 Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Extendable Notes (the "Class A-2 Notes");

U.S. \$39,500,000 Class B Floating Rate Deferrable Senior Subordinate Extendable Notes (the "Class B Notes");

U.S. \$21,000,000 Class C-1 Floating Rate Deferrable Senior Subordinate Extendable Notes (the "Class C-1 Notes"); and

U.S. \$5,000,000 Class C-2 Fixed Rate Deferrable Senior Subordinate Extendable Notes (the "Class C-2 Notes");

each pursuant to an Indenture, dated as of the Closing Date (the "Indenture"), among the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and JPMorgan Chase Bank, as Trustee (the "Trustee").

The Income Notes

The Issuer will also issue U.S. \$82,000,000 Extendable Income Notes (the "Income Notes") pursuant to the Indenture. The Income Notes will not bear interest at a stated rate and are not entitled to a return of a stated principal amount, but Holders of Income Notes will be entitled to a pro rata share of all proceeds remaining after payment of the Senior Notes and all other expenses of, and satisfaction of creditors' claims against, the Issuers. The Aggregate Principal Amount of the Income Notes includes the U.S. \$25,000,000 Aggregate Principal Amount of Income Notes delivered to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account on the Closing Date, which will be deemed to have been issued for all purposes of the Indenture. See "*The Class Q-2 Securities*" below."

The Class Q-1 Securities

The Issuer will also issue on the Closing Date U.S. \$10,000,000 Class Q-1 Extendable Securities (the "Class Q-1 Securities") pursuant to the Indenture. The Class Q-1 Securities will consist of the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component and the Class Q-1 Income Note Component. The Class Q-1 Senior Note Component will represent an initial Aggregate Principal Amount of U.S. \$5,000,000 of Class C-2 Notes. The Class Q-1 Income Note Component will represent an Aggregate Principal Amount of U.S. \$5,000,000 of Income Notes.

The initial Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-2 Notes and the Income Notes to which the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component and the Class Q-1 Income Note Component relate are included in (and are not in addition to) the initial Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-2 Notes or Income Notes in the aggregate. Each Class Q-1 Security represents an undivided beneficial ownership interest in the cash flows on the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component and the Class Q-1 Income Note Component.

Pursuant to the Indenture, a Holder of a beneficial interest in a Class Q-1 Security may exchange all or a proportionate amount of such interest for the underlying Class C-2 Notes and Income Notes, subject to the minimum denomination requirements, applicable transfer restrictions and in the manner described in the Indenture. See "*Description of the Securities—The Class Q-1 Securities*."

### The Class Q-2 Securities

In addition, the Issuer will issue on the Closing Date U.S. \$7,200,000 Class Q-2A Securities Due 2034 (the “Class Q-2A Securities”) and U.S. \$40,000,000 Class Q-2B Securities Due 2034 (the “Class Q-2B Securities”) pursuant to the Indenture.

The Class Q-2 Securities will be secured by the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral. Payments in respect of the Class Q-2 Securities will be made solely from, and recourse will be limited to, the assets of the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral available in accordance with the Class Q-2 Priority of Payments.

Pursuant to the Indenture, after the redemption or repayment in full of the Class Q-2A Securities, a Holder of Class Q-2B Securities may exchange its interest for a proportionate amount of the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A and of the other Class Q-2 Securities Collateral (subject to the minimum denomination requirements and in the manner described in the Indenture).

The Class Q-2 Securities are scheduled to mature on April 28, 2034 and are not subject to an extension of maturity. The Class Q-2 Securities are not subject to an Amendment Buy-Out, other than with respect to the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A. *See “Description of the Securities—The Class Q-2 Securities.”*

### Ratings of the Securities

It is a condition to the issuance of the Securities that the Class A-1 Notes be rated “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by Standard & Poor’s, the Class A-2 Notes be rated at least “Aa2” by Moody’s and at least “AA” by Standard & Poor’s, the Class B Notes be rated at least “A2” by Moody’s and at least “A” by Standard & Poor’s and the Class C-1 Notes and the Class C-2 Notes be rated at least “Baa2” by Moody’s and at least “BBB” by Standard & Poor’s.

In addition, it is a condition to the issuance of the Securities that the Class Q-1 Securities be rated at least “Baa2” by Moody’s (which rating addresses solely the return of the Class Q-1 Rated Principal). *See “Ratings.”*

The Income Notes will not be rated by Moody’s, Standard & Poor’s or any other rating agency.

The Issuer will request that each Rating Agency confirm its ratings of the Senior Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities within 30 days after the Ramp-up End Date.

### Maturity and Extension of Maturity

The Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities are scheduled to mature on August 1, 2016, unless the maturity is extended. The maturity of the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities is subject to an extension of four years to August 1, 2020, if the term of the Swap Agreement is extended.

Under the Swap Agreement, the Swap Counterparty may, at its option, on the Payment Date that is two years before the end of the Portfolio Modification Period (the “Extension Effective Date”) extend the Portfolio Modification Period for four years to August 1, 2015 and correspondingly extend the term of the Swap Agreement for four years to August 1, 2020, subject to the satisfaction of the Extension Conditions (as defined below). *See “The Swap Agreement—Extension of Swap Agreement” below.*

Under the Indenture, if the term of the Swap Agreement is so extended, the maturity of the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities will automatically be equally extended without any requirement for approval or consent of any holders of Securities or amendment or supplement to the Indenture (the "Maturity Extension").

As a condition to the extension of maturity, holders will be able to offer to sell their Notes and Class Q-1 Securities to one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Swap Counterparty and any of its affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Swap Counterparty (or its affiliate) for purchase on the Extension Effective Date (Notes and Class Q-1 Securities so offered for sale by their holders, "Extension Sale Securities"). The purchase price for any Extension Sale Securities will be (1) in the case of the Senior Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the holder on such date), plus, in the case of the Class C-2 Notes, the applicable Make-whole Premium, (2) in the case of the Income Notes, an amount that together with any amounts paid to the Holders with respect to those Income Notes from the Closing Date to and including the Extension Effective Date results in an internal rate of return with respect to those Income Notes of 18% per annum and (3) in the case of the Class Q-1 Securities, a purchase price determined based on the respective purchase prices for the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component and the Class Q-1 Income Note Component thereof. If the Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which the holders of Income Notes have received an internal rate of return equal to or in excess of 18% per annum (determined as in clause (2) above), the purchase price for Income Notes that are Extension Sale Securities will be zero.

The extension of the Portfolio Modification Period, the term of the Swap Agreement and the maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities will be conditioned on satisfaction of the Extension Conditions.

No Extension Sale Securities will be purchased unless all Extension Sale Securities are purchased and settled at the applicable purchase price as of the Extension Effective Date and the other Extension Conditions are satisfied. Pursuant to the Extension Conditions, if not all Extension Sale Securities are so purchased and settled, none of the Portfolio Modification Period, the term of the Swap Agreement or the maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities will be extended.

If all Extension Conditions are satisfied and a Maturity Extension is effected, each holder of Senior Notes (including in the form of the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component) other than Extension Sale Securities will be entitled to receive the applicable Extension Bonus Payment, in each case to the extent of available funds and as provided in the Priority of Payments. Holders of Income Notes will not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

The Class Q-2 Securities are scheduled to mature on April 28, 2034 and are not subject to an extension of maturity.

Amendment Buy-Out

In the case of any amendment to the Indenture or the Swap Agreement that requires the consent of one or more holders of Notes and/or Class Q-1 Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser will have the right (but will not be obligated) to purchase the applicable Security of any holder that either (i) has declared in writing that it will not consent to such amendment or (ii) had not consented to such amendment by the last day on which consent could be given in accordance with the request therefor (each a “Non-consenting Holder”) at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price.

The Class Q-2 Securities themselves are not subject to an Amendment Buy-Out, but the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A at the applicable purchase price, if the Holders of Class Q-2B Securities who pursuant to the Indenture have voting rights with respect to the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A would be deemed to be a Non-consenting Holder with respect to such Income Notes.

If this option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all applicable Notes or Class Q-1 Securities from all Non-consenting Holders (an “Amendment Buy-Out”), regardless of the applicable percentage of aggregate principal amount of the Securities the consent of whose holders is required for the amendment. If the solicited consent only affects one Component of the Class Q-1 Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase, at the Non-consenting Holder’s option, its Class Q-1 Security as a whole or solely the affected Component.

All purchases made pursuant to an Amendment Buy-Out individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions in the Indenture and the legends on the applicable Notes and Class Q-1 Securities and all applicable law and rules and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or applicable clearing agency.

The Reference Portfolio Manager may (but is not obligated to) request the Swap Counterparty to elect to effect an Amendment Buy-Out. The Swap Counterparty has agreed to follow such a request subject to certain conditions. No person will have any obligation to elect or effect an Amendment Buy-Out and no person other than the Swap Counterparty will have the right to elect to effect an Amendment Buy-Out.

Use of Proceeds

The proceeds of the issuance of the Notes (including Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A) and Class Q-1 Securities, net of any issued discount and after paying or providing for the payment of organizational expenses and the expenses of the issuance of the Securities by funding the Expense Reserve Account, will be approximately U.S. \$247,500,000. Such proceeds will be applied by the Issuer to purchase approximately U.S. \$247,500,000 in face amount of Eligible Investments to secure the Issuer’s obligations under the Swap Agreement, the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities. The proceeds of the issuance of the Class Q-2 Securities will constitute, and be applied to purchase, as applicable, the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral.

The Offering

The Securities are being offered only (i) in the case of the Senior Notes, Class Q-1 Securities and Class Q-2A Securities, in the United States, to (a) “qualified institutional buyers” as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act (“Qualified Institutional Buyers”) or (b) in the case of the Income Notes, Qualified Institutional Buyers or “accredited investors” as defined in Rule 501(a) under the Securities Act (“Accredited Investors”), in each case, that are also “qualified purchasers” as defined for purposes of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act (“Qualified Purchasers”) and (ii) outside the United States, to “non-U.S. Persons” (as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act) in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act. Certain additional offering restrictions may also apply. See “*Purchase and Transfer Restrictions.*”

Transfer of the Securities

Transfers of interests in the Securities will be subject to certain restrictions. See “*Purchase and Transfer Restrictions.*”

Payments on the Securities

Each Class of Senior Notes will accrue interest at the per annum rate set forth for such Class in the following table:

	<u>Class A-1 Notes</u>	<u>Class A-2 Notes</u>	<u>Class B Notes</u>	<u>Class C-1 Notes</u>	<u>Class C-2 Notes</u>
Interest Rate:	LIBOR <sup>1</sup> plus 0.70%	LIBOR <sup>1</sup> plus 0.80%	LIBOR <sup>1</sup> plus 1.40%	LIBOR <sup>1</sup> plus 2.60%	7.53%

<sup>1</sup> LIBOR with respect to the first Periodic Interest Accrual Period will be 1.88230% per annum.

The Income Notes will not bear a stated rate of interest but will be entitled to receive distributions on each Payment Date if and to the extent funds are available for such purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Such distributions will be payable to the Holders of the Income Notes only after payment in full of all of the liabilities of the Issuers that rank ahead of the Income Notes pursuant to the Priority of Payments. See “*Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.*” Accordingly, to the extent that payments received in respect of the Swap Agreement, Eligible Investments and other assets that are part of the Trust Estate are not sufficient to pay distributions with respect to the Income Notes, the Issuer will have no obligation to make any such distribution.

Interest on the floating rate Notes and the Class Q-2A Securities will be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year and the actual number of days elapsed in the applicable Periodic Interest Accrual Period. Interest on the fixed rate Notes will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

Subject to the availability of funds and the Priority of Payments, interest payments on the Senior Notes and distributions on the Income Notes shall be payable quarterly in arrears on the first day of each February, May, August and November commencing on and including February 1, 2005 (or if any such day is not a Business Day, the first Business Day thereafter), and ending on and including the earlier of the final redemption date for such Notes and the Maturity Date (each, a “Payment Date”). See “*Description of the Securities—Payments.*”

The Class Q-1 Securities are entitled to receive only the payments associated with the related Components. The rating on the Class Q-1 Securities applies only to return of the Class Q-1 Rated Principal. All distributions made with respect to the Class Q-1 Securities will reduce the outstanding Class Q-1 Rated Principal until it is reduced to U.S. \$1 and thereafter will constitute additional income.

Solely for certain calculation purposes, the Class Q-1 Securities are deemed to have a Class Q-1 Nominal Rate of 2.00% per annum. The Class Q-1 Nominal Rate does not limit the entitlement of Holders of Class Q-1 Securities to receive any applicable Class Q-1 Excess Distributions.

To the extent any Coverage Test is not satisfied on any Determination Date related to a Payment Date following the Ramp-up End Date or to the extent necessary to cause the Rating Agencies to confirm the initial ratings of the Senior Notes as of the 30<sup>th</sup> day after the Ramp-up End Date, amounts available at the applicable level of the Priority of Payments will be used to redeem the Senior Notes on such Payment Date commencing with the most senior Class of Senior Notes outstanding, thereby reducing the amounts available for payment at lower levels of the Priority of Payments. Notes will also be redeemed on each Payment Date using the principal proceeds of Eligible Investments in the Trust Estate to the extent of the applicable Note Redemption Amount, if any, for such date, in accordance with the Principal Priority of Payments, commencing with the most senior Class of Notes outstanding. The Notes also may be redeemed at the direction of the Holders of a majority in Aggregate Principal Amount of the Income Notes, with the consent of the Swap Counterparty, in the case of certain tax events with respect to the Issuer.

If the Diversion Test is not satisfied as of any Determination Date related to a Payment Date after the Ramp-up End Date, 50% of the amounts that would otherwise be used to pay Administrative Expenses in excess of the Expense Cap Amount, Subordinated Administrative Expenses, Extension Bonus Payments, if any, and a Net Income Note Periodic Return Amount to the Holders of the Income Notes will be used first to pay, on a pro rata basis, Deferred Interest, if any, on the Class B Notes and Class C Notes and then to redeem, on a pro rata basis, the Class B Notes and Class C Notes at par in accordance with the Payment Date Priority of Payments.

In addition, beginning five and a half years after the Closing Date, the Notes may be redeemed at the direction of the Holders of at least 66 2/3% in Aggregate Principal Amount of the Income Notes provided that certain conditions are satisfied. Unless previously redeemed, the outstanding principal amount of the Senior Notes, and the final distribution, if any, on the Income Notes will be payable on the Maturity Date of August 1, 2016, or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, August 1, 2020, in accordance with the Principal Priority of Payments. *See "Description of the Securities—Payments" and "—Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities and Extension of Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities."*

The Class Q-2 Securities are entitled to receive only payments from the proceeds of the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral in accordance with the Class Q-2 Priority of Payments. The Class Q-2A Securities will accrue interest at a rate of LIBOR plus 0.50% per annum (the "Class Q-2A Interest Rate"). The Class Q-2B Securities will not accrue interest at a stated rate. Subject to the availability of funds and the Class Q-2 Priority



of Payments, interest payments on the Class Q-2A Securities and distributions on the Class Q-2B Securities shall be payable quarterly in arrears on each Payment Date.

If the Class Q-2A Coverage Test is not satisfied as of any date of determination following the Closing Date, at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Class Q-2A Securities, the Trustee will liquidate the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A and deposit the proceeds thereof in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account for distribution in accordance with the Class Q-2 Priority of Payments upon receipt of such proceeds as though the date of receipt thereof were a Payment Date.

#### The Coverage Tests

The Coverage Tests are comprised of an overcollateralization test and an interest coverage test (i) for the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes (treated as a single class for this purpose), (ii) for the Class B Notes and (iii) for the Class C-1 Notes and the Class C-2 Notes (treated as a single class for this purpose). If a Coverage Test for any such Class is not satisfied as of any Determination Date related to a Payment Date following the Ramp-up End Date, the amounts available in accordance with the Priority of Payments at the level of the Priority of Payments at which the Coverage Test is applied will be used on such Payment Date to redeem the Senior Notes commencing with the most senior Class, to the extent necessary to satisfy such Coverage Tests, thereby reducing amounts available for payments at lower levels of the Priority of Payments. See *“Description of the Securities—The Coverage Tests.”* In addition, following the Ramp-up End Date the Reference Portfolio Manager’s ability to add or remove Reference Obligations may be restricted if the Coverage Tests are not satisfied. See *“Description of the Swap Agreement—Selection and Modification of the Reference Portfolio.”* The failure of the Issuer to satisfy a Coverage Test will not be a default or an Event of Default under the Indenture.

#### The Trust Estate

All assets of the Issuer (except the Excluded Property and the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral) (the “Trust Estate”) will be pledged to secure the obligations of the Issuer to the Swap Counterparty, the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator and to secure the obligations of the Issuer under the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities. Payments in respect of the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities will be made solely from, and recourse will be limited to, the assets of the Trust Estate available in accordance with the Priority of Payments. See *“Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”*

The Trust Estate will comprise solely (i) Eligible Investments acquired with the net proceeds from the issuance of the Notes (including Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A) and Class Q-1 Securities and from time to time thereafter with amounts received by the Issuer, (ii) the rights of the Issuer under the Swap Agreement and Swap Guarantee, (iii) funds on deposit in certain accounts, (iv) the rights of the Issuer under the Collateral Administration Agreement and (v) certain payments or distributions received in respect of such Eligible Investments and the Swap Agreement.

The Eligible Investments

All moneys (other than the Excluded Property and the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral) held by or on behalf of the Issuer will be invested in Eligible Investments at the direction of the Swap Counterparty (or the Reference Portfolio Manager on its behalf) unless the Swap Agreement has been terminated and all amounts owed to the Swap Counterparty thereunder have been paid in full or a Swap Event of Default as to which the Swap Counterparty is the defaulting party or a Swap Additional Termination Event has occurred and is continuing, or otherwise in accordance with the Indenture. Eligible Investments may generally include U.S. dollar cash, U.S. government obligations, deposits of U.S. commercial banks and trust companies satisfying certain rating criteria, certain guaranteed investment contracts of a U.S. insurance company, bank or corporation satisfying certain rating criteria, qualifying money market funds, qualifying unleveraged repurchase obligations, commercial paper or similar short-term obligations satisfying certain rating criteria, the Investment Agreement and other investments acceptable to the applicable Rating Agencies. The net proceeds from the issuance of the Notes (including the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A) and the Class Q-1 Securities, as well as certain other amounts deposited in the Collateral Account from time to time, are expected to be invested in the Investment Agreement. *See the definition of “Eligible Investments” in the “Glossary of Certain Defined Terms.”*

The Swap Agreement

On the Closing Date, the Issuer will enter into the Swap Agreement with the Swap Counterparty, which will be Citigroup Financial Products Inc. (“CFPI”). The obligations of the Swap Counterparty under the Swap Agreement will be guaranteed by the Swap Guarantor, which will be Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc. (“CGMHI”).

*The Reference Portfolio*

Payments under the Swap Agreement will be determined by reference to the Reference Portfolio as constituted from time to time. The Reference Portfolio will be selected and modified from time to time by the Reference Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Swap Counterparty pursuant to the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement. The Initial Reference Obligations to be included in the Reference Portfolio on the Closing Date will be specified in the Swap Agreement. The Reference Portfolio Manager is expected to designate on behalf of the Swap Counterparty additional Reference Obligations to be included in the Reference Portfolio (and the Reference Obligation Calculation Amounts for such Reference Obligations) during the six-month period following the Closing Date (the “Ramp-up Period”), subject to certain individual obligation and aggregate portfolio criteria. *See “The Reference Portfolio—Eligible Reference Obligations” and “—Reference Portfolio Criteria.”* As of the Ramp-up End Date, the Issuer expects that the Reference Portfolio will be comprised of Reference Obligations with an Aggregate Reference Obligation Calculation Amount of approximately U.S. \$900 million.

From time to time following the Ramp-up End Date, the Reference Portfolio Manager may add new Reference Obligations to the Reference Portfolio and/or remove existing Reference Obligations from the Reference Portfolio, provided that certain conditions are satisfied. *See “Description of the Swap Agreement—Selection and Modification of the Reference Portfolio.”*

*Amortization of Reference Obligations*

The Reference Obligation Calculation Amount (and, correspondingly, the Reference Value) for any Reference Obligation will be reduced to reflect any permanent prepayment, repayment, amortization, redemption, termination, cancellation or reduction of commitment or similar permanent reduction of principal or notional amount thereof (an “Amortization”). A reduction in the outstanding balance of a Reference Obligation that is a Revolving Loan as a result of a repayment will not be considered an Amortization to the extent that the facility can subsequently be redrawn in accordance with its terms.

*Valuation of Reference Obligations*

Upon the removal of a Reference Obligation from the Reference Portfolio at the direction of the Reference Portfolio Manager, upon an Amortization of a Reference Obligation (other than a Reference Swap) and for each Reference Obligation on the 45<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the Swap Termination Date, the Swap Counterparty (or the Reference Portfolio Manager on its behalf) will determine the Obligation Value Increase Amount or Obligation Value Reduction Amount for such obligation, which will generally reflect the increase or decrease, respectively, in the market value of such Reference Obligation during the period of its inclusion in the Reference Portfolio, determined as provided in more detail herein. *See “Description of the Swap Agreement—Valuation of Reference Obligations.”*

*Swap Agreement Payments*

Under the Swap Agreement, the Swap Counterparty will be required to pay to the Issuer for each Payment Date the applicable Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amount described herein; *provided* that if the Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amount is negative, the Issuer will be required to pay to the Swap Counterparty the absolute value of the Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amount. The Issuer will be required to pay to the Swap Counterparty the applicable Fixed Amount on each Payment Date. The amounts described above payable by the Issuer and the Swap Counterparty for any Payment Date will be netted into a single payment by the Swap Counterparty or the Issuer to the other, as applicable. If such net amount for any Payment Date is payable by the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Counterparty will be required to make such payment one Business Day prior to the Payment Date. *See “Description of the Swap Agreement—Payments Under the Swap Agreement.”*

*Swap Notional Amount*

The Swap Notional Amount will initially equal U.S. \$895,500,000.

On each Payment Date prior to the end of the Portfolio Modification Period, the Swap Notional Amount will be increased by the Quarterly Aggregate Increase Amount, if any, for that date or reduced by the Quarterly Aggregate Reduction Amount, if any, for that date.

The Swap Notional Amount will be reduced on each Payment Date following the end of the Portfolio Modification Period by the Swap Reduction Amount, if any, for that Payment Date. *See “Description of the Swap Agreement—Swap Notional Amount.”*

*Swap Termination*

Under certain circumstances specified in the Swap Agreement, the Issuer or the Swap Counterparty may terminate the Swap Agreement, in which event the Issuer or the Swap Counterparty may be required to make a Swap Termination Payment. *See “Description of the Swap Agreement—Early Termination of the Swap Agreement”* for a description of the events that may give rise to an early termination of the Swap Agreement and the method for calculating the Swap Termination Payment. Depending upon existing market conditions and other factors at the time of any such early termination, a Swap Termination Payment could be owed by the Issuer to

the Swap Counterparty or by the Swap Counterparty to the Issuer. If the Issuer is required to make such a Swap Termination Payment and is unable to enter into an offsetting replacement swap that pays a corresponding amount, the amount available for payment to the Holders of the Securities will be reduced. *See “Risk Factors—Termination of the Swap Agreement.”*

*Extension of Swap Agreement*

Under the Swap Agreement, the Swap Counterparty may, at its option, on the Extension Effective Date extend the Portfolio Modification Period for four years to August 1, 2015 and correspondingly extend the term of the Swap Agreement and the maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities to August 1, 2020, subject to the satisfaction of the Extension Conditions. *See “Maturity and Extension of Maturity” above.*

The Reference Portfolio Manager may direct the Swap Counterparty to extend the Portfolio Modification Period and term of the Swap Agreement, and the Swap Counterparty has agreed to follow that direction subject to the satisfaction of the Extension Conditions.

Tax Considerations

The Issuer, as a foreign corporation, will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on its net income only if it is treated as engaged in a trade or business within the United States. Counsel to the Issuer will provide an opinion that, while not free from doubt, the Issuer should not be considered to be engaged in a trade or business within the United States as a result of its contemplated activities. For U.S. federal income tax purposes, the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes will be treated as debt of the Issuer. Investors will be obligated to treat Income Notes as equity interests in the Issuer. For U.S. federal income tax purposes, a holder of Class Q-1 Securities will be treated as if it directly owned the related Components. For U.S. federal income tax purposes, the Class Q-2A Securities will be treated as debt. *See “Certain Income Tax Considerations—Tax Treatment of Non-U.S. Holders”* for the tax consequences to Non-U.S. Holders of holding the Class Q-2B Securities. It is anticipated that the Issuer will be a passive foreign investment company (“PFIC”) for U.S. federal income tax purposes. *See “Certain Income Tax Considerations.”* Prospective purchasers should also consult their own tax advisors.

ERISA Considerations

*See “Certain ERISA Considerations” herein.*

Trustee and Collateral Administrator

JPMorgan Chase Bank.

## RISK FACTORS

*Prospective purchasers of the Securities should consider, among other things, the following factors in connection with a purchase of the Securities. Prospective purchasers of the Class Q-1 Securities should consider, in addition to the matters set forth elsewhere in this Offering Circular, the risks applicable to the Components. More specifically, unless otherwise indicated or the context otherwise requires, all statements in these “Risk Factors” and elsewhere herein concerning the Senior Notes in general or the Class C-2 Notes or the Class C Notes in particular also relate to the applicable Class Q-1 Senior Note Component, and all such statements concerning the Income Notes also relate to the Class Q-1 Income Note Component. Prospective purchasers of the Class Q-2 Securities should consider, in addition to the matters set forth elsewhere in this Offering Circular, the risks applicable to the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A. More specifically, unless otherwise indicated or the context otherwise requires, all statements in these “Risk Factors” and elsewhere herein concerning the Income Notes also relate to the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A.*

**Limited Assets to Make Payments on the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities.** The Senior Notes will be limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer and will be non-recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuer. The Class Q-1 Securities will be limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer to the extent of the related Components. The Income Notes will be limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer. The Notes will be payable solely from and to the extent of the available proceeds from the Trust Estate, and no person or entity other than the Issuer will be obligated to make any payments with respect to the Notes. The Issuer, as a special purpose company, will have no significant assets other than the Trust Estate and the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral pledged to secure the Class Q-2 Securities. The Co-Issuer will have no significant assets. Consequently, the Holders of the Senior Notes must rely for payment of the debt service on the Senior Notes solely upon the net payments received by the Issuer under the Swap Agreement, the outstanding Eligible Investments in the Trust Estate and amounts on deposit in the Trust Accounts, and any proceeds thereof. Any payment made by the Issuer to the Swap Counterparty under the Swap Agreement, including a Fixed Amount, Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amount, or Swap Termination Payment, and any reduction in any Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amount payable by the Swap Counterparty to the Issuer, may adversely affect the ability of the Issuers to make payments on the Notes. Holders of each Class of Notes will only be entitled to receive amounts available for distributions after payment of all amounts payable prior to such Class in accordance with the Priority of Payments set forth in the Indenture. *See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”* After the disposition of the Trust Estate, if the proceeds thereof are insufficient to pay the Senior Notes, no other assets will be available for payment of any deficiency, and none of the Issuers, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Administrator, the Share Trustee, the Trustee, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates or any other Person will be obligated to pay any such deficiency, and all outstanding claims against the Issuers will be extinguished and may not be revived thereafter.

**Subordination of Income Notes.** The Holders of the Income Notes will be subordinate in payment to the creditors of the Issuer ranking higher in the Priority of Payments, including, without limitation, the Swap Counterparty, the Holders of the Senior Notes, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator and the Administrator. Except with respect to the obligations of the Issuer to make payments pursuant to the Swap Agreement, the Indenture, the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Administration Agreement, the Issuer does not expect to have any significant creditors.

Distributions with respect to the Income Notes will be payable solely from and to the extent of the available proceeds from the Trust Estate pursuant to the Priority of Payments. Consequently, the Holders of the Income Notes must rely solely upon the net payments received by the Issuer under the Swap Agreement, the outstanding Eligible Investments in the Trust Estate and amounts on deposit in the Trust Accounts, and any proceeds thereof. Because of the subordination of the Income Notes, distributions will be made with respect thereto only after all other payments and distributions due on a Payment Date from the Trust Estate have been made. Income Noteholders are not entitled to a return of a stated principal amount or to receive distributions at a stated rate.

**Return Considerations.** The return to each Holder of the Income Notes will be a function of the purchase price paid by such Holder for the Income Notes and the timing and amount of distributions made in respect of its Income Notes during the term of the transaction. Each prospective purchaser of Income Notes should make its own evaluation of the return that it expects to receive on the Income Notes. Prospective purchasers should be aware that

the timing and amount of distributions will be affected by, among other things, the timing and number of Credit Events and modifications to the Reference Portfolio (including the removal of Defaulted Reference Obligations), the timing and amount of Amortizations and the aggregate amount of Quarterly Aggregate Reduction Amounts, Quarterly Aggregate Increase Amounts and Quarterly Amortization Increase Amounts as a result thereof, which will depend in turn on the market value of Reference Obligations at the time of their removal from the Reference Portfolio. Each prospective purchaser should consider the risk that a more frequent occurrence of removals of Reference Obligations from the Reference Portfolio (including as a result of Credit Events) or lower market values upon such removals than that which may be anticipated by the purchaser will result in lower payments with respect to the Income Notes than that anticipated by the purchaser. The return on the Income Notes could also be adversely affected by market changes reducing the return on the Eligible Investments in the Trust Estate and the Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amounts (which depend on the interest and other amounts notionally generated by the Reference Portfolio). In particular, Interest Return may be reduced for Defaulted Reference Obligations, which in turn will reduce the Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amount payable to the Issuer. In addition, if the Issuer fails any Coverage Test as of any Determination Date for a Payment Date after the Ramp-up End Date, amounts that might otherwise be distributed to the Holders of the Income Notes on the related Payment Date will be used to redeem Senior Notes and will not be paid to such Holders. See “*Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.*” Each prospective purchaser should consider that any such adverse developments could result in its failure to recover its initial investment in the Income Notes.

The amounts available to pay the interest on, and the principal of, the Senior Notes may also be adversely affected by the factors described in the preceding paragraph, including the timing and number of Credit Events and removals of Reference Obligations, the aggregate amount of Quarterly Aggregate Reduction Amounts, Quarterly Aggregate Increase Amounts and Quarterly Amortization Increase Amounts and market changes or other factors reducing the return on the Eligible Investments and the Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amounts. Although reductions in the Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amount payable to the Issuer may reduce the amounts available to make payments on the Senior Notes, there will be no corresponding reduction in the accrual of interest on the Senior Notes. See “—*Subordination of Payment and Control*” and “*Description of the Securities—The Indenture and the Collateral Administration Agreement—Events of Default*” for the discussions therein of the limited remedies available to the beneficial owners of the Senior Notes upon the occurrence of a payment default with respect thereto.

**Subordination of Payment and Control.** *Subordination of Payment.* Payments on the Notes will be subordinate to payments due to the Swap Counterparty under the Swap Agreement (except in limited cases) and the payment of certain expenses of the Issuers. Among the Notes, payments on the Class C-1 Notes and the Class C-2 Notes will rank *pari passu*, payments on the Class C Notes (except in certain cases where the Diversion Test is not satisfied) will be subordinate to payments on the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes, payments on the Class B Notes (except in certain cases where the Diversion Test is not satisfied) will be subordinate to payments on the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes, and payments on the Class A-2 Notes will be subordinate to payments on the Class A-1 Notes. Distributions on the Income Notes will be subordinate to all payments on the Senior Notes. If the Diversion Test is not satisfied, Payment Date Proceeds will be used pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments to pay first, on a pro rata basis, Deferred Interest, if any, on the Class B Notes and Class C Notes, and then, on a pro rata basis, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B Notes and Class C Notes, regardless of whether any Class A-1 Notes or Class A-2 Notes are then outstanding.

*Control.* If a payment default in respect of the Class A-1 Notes or Class A-2 Notes or any other Event of Default occurs under the Indenture, the Requisite Noteholders or, unless the Swap Agreement has been terminated and all amounts owed to the Swap Counterparty have been paid in full or a Swap Event of Default as to which the Swap Counterparty is the defaulting party has occurred and is continuing while any Senior Notes are Outstanding, the Swap Counterparty will be entitled to direct the Trustee to declare the principal of, and the accrued interest on, the Notes to be immediately due and payable. The Requisite Noteholders, however, will not have the right (except in certain limited circumstances) to direct the Trustee to sell or liquidate the Eligible Investments in the Trust Estate. The Requisite Noteholders will therefore have only limited, or no, recourse upon a payment default with respect thereto or the occurrence of other Events of Default under the Indenture so long as the Swap Agreement is in effect and the Swap Counterparty is performing its obligations thereunder. The actions taken by (or the inaction of) the Swap Counterparty could have adverse consequences for the Holders of the Securities.

In addition, under the Indenture, amendments of provisions of the Indenture and certain consents or waivers with respect thereto may generally only be made with the consent of the Swap Counterparty.

If an Event of Default occurs under the Indenture, the Swap Agreement has been terminated and all amounts due to the Swap Counterparty thereunder have been paid or if a Swap Event of Default has occurred and is continuing as to which the Swap Counterparty is the defaulting party, as long as any Class of Senior Notes is Outstanding, the Requisite Noteholders will be entitled to determine the remedies to be exercised under the Indenture without obtaining the consent of the Holders of any Class of subordinate Notes. Remedies pursued by the Requisite Noteholders could be adverse to the interests of the Holders of more junior Classes of Notes. Except in limited circumstances, none of the Holders of the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes or the Class C Notes will have any right to determine the remedies to be exercised under the Indenture upon the occurrence of an Event of Default until in each case the Class or Classes of Notes senior to such Class have been paid in full, and the Holders of the Income Notes will have no rights to declare an Event of Default or to exercise any remedies upon an Event of Default under the Indenture, unless the Senior Notes have been redeemed in full and the Swap Agreement has been terminated and all amounts owed to the Swap Counterparty have been paid. See *“Description of the Securities—The Indenture and the Collateral Administration Agreement—Events of Default.”*

### **The Class Q-2 Securities**

Limited Assets to Make Payments on the Class Q-2 Securities. The Class Q-2 Securities will be limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer. The Class Q-2 Securities will be payable solely from and to the extent of the available proceeds from the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral, and no person or entity other than the Issuer will be obligated to make any payments with respect to the Class Q-2 Securities. The Holders of the Class Q-2 Securities must rely for payments on the Class Q-2 Securities solely upon distributions, if any, made on the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A and any other amounts on deposit in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account, and any proceeds thereof. Any events adversely affecting the distributions on the Income Notes (including, without limitation, those described in *“Limited Assets to Make Payments on the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities”* and *“Return Considerations”* above and *“Effect of Credit Events on Performance of the Securities”* below) will adversely affect the ability of the Issuer to make payments on the Class Q-2 Securities. In addition, any events adversely affecting the value of the CGMHI Notes constituting the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B will adversely affect the ability of the Issuer to make payments on the Class Q-2 Securities. After the disposition of the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral, if the proceeds thereof are insufficient to pay the Class Q-2 Securities, no other assets will be available for payment of any deficiency, and none of the Issuer, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Placement Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Administrator, the Share Trustee, the Trustee, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates or any other Person will be obligated to pay any such deficiency, and all outstanding claims against the Issuer will be extinguished and may not be revived thereafter. Following the redemption of the Notes and the liquidation of the Trust Estate, Holders of Class Q-2B Securities that do not exchange such Class Q-2B Securities for the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral may be required to make or provide for certain payments to the Issuer in respect of administrative expenses.

Subordination of Class Q-2B Securities. *Subordination of Payment.* Among the Class Q-2 Securities, payments on the Class Q-2B Securities (other than payment of the Class Q-2B Target Amount) will be subordinate to payments on the Class Q-2A Securities. Holders of Class Q-2B Securities will only be entitled to receive amounts available for distributions after payment of all amounts payable prior to such Class in accordance with the Class Q-2 Priority of Payments set forth in the Indenture. See *“Description of the Securities—Class Q-2 Securities.”*

*Control.* If a payment default in respect of the Class Q-2A Securities or any other Class Q-2 Event of Default occurs under the Indenture, so long as any Class Q-2A Securities are Outstanding, Holders of 66-2/3% in Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class Q-2A Securities will be entitled to direct the Trustee to declare the principal of, and the accrued interest on, the Class Q-2A Securities to be immediately due and payable and will be entitled to determine the remedies to be exercised under the Indenture. Remedies in the case of a Class Q-2 Event of Default are subject to certain limitations under the Indenture. Remedies pursued by the Holders of the Class Q-2A Securities could be adverse to the interests of the Holders of the Class Q-2B Securities. Except in limited circumstances, no Holder of Class Q-2B Securities will have any right to determine the remedies to be exercised under the Indenture upon the occurrence of a Class Q-2 Event of Default until the Class Q-2A Securities have been paid in full. See *“Description of the Securities—The Class Q-2 Securities.”* Upon such a default, Holders of Class

Q-2 Securities will have no rights to determine remedies to be exercised with respect to the Trust Estate, except to the extent of any right of the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A.

**Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B.** This Offering Circular relates only to the Securities offered hereby (including to the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A) but is not an offering document for the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B. It is intended solely to identify the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B and does not purport to summarize or provide detailed information with respect to the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B or the terms and conditions thereof. All information contained herein with respect to Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B is derived solely from the offering memorandum dated March 25, 2004 and pricing supplement dated April 28, 2004 with respect thereto (the “Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B Offering Documents”). Any information regarding the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B contained herein does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by, and should be read in conjunction with, the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B Offering Documents. The Issuer did not participate in the preparation of the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B Offering Documents, and the Issuer has not made any due diligence inquiry with respect to the information provided therein nor has it verified the accuracy or completeness of such documents. In addition, the Issuer has made no investigation regarding the financial condition or creditworthiness of the issuer of the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B. Information contained in the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B Offering Documents is as of the respective dates stated therein, and comparable information, if given as of the date hereof, may be different. There can be no assurance that events affecting the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B have not occurred, whether or not disclosed, which would affect the accuracy or completeness of the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B Offering Documents.

**Effects of Leverage.** The Aggregate Reference Value of the Reference Portfolio on the Ramp-up End Date, determined based on the Reference Prices and the Reference Obligation Calculation Amounts (which include the undrawn portion of any revolving loan included in the Reference Obligations), is expected to be approximately equal to U.S. \$895.5 million and therefore will be approximately 10.9 times greater than the initial purchase price for the Income Notes. This leverage will increase the cash flow available in respect of the amount invested by the Holders of the Income Notes as compared with the cash flow that would be available in respect of a comparable investment in a non-leveraged transaction. Such increased cash flow will directly affect the return on the Income Notes. See “—Return Considerations.” However, the use of leverage also creates risk for the Holders of the Income Notes because it increases their exposure to losses on a leveraged basis as a result of Credit Events and removals of Reference Obligations.

Due to the existence of the leverage, changes in the market value of the Income Notes could be greater than the changes in the value of the underlying Reference Portfolio, which itself is subject to, among other things, credit and liquidity risk. As a result, the occurrence of Credit Events with respect to only a small portion of the Reference Obligations could result in the complete loss of the investment of the Holders of the Income Notes. Purchasers of the Income Notes must consider with particular care the risks of leverage because, although the use of leverage creates an opportunity for substantial returns on the Income Notes, it increases substantially the likelihood that the Holders of Income Notes could lose their entire investment if the Trust Estate is adversely affected by the removal of Reference Obligations upon the occurrence of Credit Events or otherwise.

**Interest Rate Risk.** The Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C-1 Notes will bear interest at floating rates based on LIBOR, as determined on each LIBOR Determination Date. The Class C-2 Notes will bear interest at a fixed rate. The funds that the Issuers will use to make interest payments on the Notes will consist of payments from the Swap Counterparty in respect of Reference Obligations and income from Eligible Investments and amounts on deposit in the Trust Accounts. Although the Reference Obligations and Eligible Investments are expected to be comprised primarily of floating rate obligations or provide for floating rate payments with payment dates, maturities or interest rate resets occurring at least quarterly, some Reference Obligations or Eligible Investments may bear interest at fixed rates or at floating rates based on indices other than LIBOR, or if LIBOR is applicable, LIBOR for the instrument may reset on dates other than the reset dates for the Notes. See the definition of “Eligible Investments” in the “Glossary of Certain Defined Terms.” Consequently, there may be a mismatch between the interest payment obligations of the Issuers under the Senior Notes, on the one hand, and the cash flows paid to the Issuer under the Swap Agreement (which depend in part on the interest rates of the Reference Obligations) and Eligible Investments in the Trust Estate, on the other hand. As a result of such a mismatch, an increase or decrease in LIBOR (or other relevant floating rate) for the relevant maturity could adversely affect the ability of the Issuer to make payments on the Notes.



**Role of the Reference Portfolio Manager.** The Reference Portfolio Manager will act solely on behalf of the Swap Counterparty, whose interests may be different from or adverse to interests of the Issuer and the Holder of Securities. See “—*Conflicts of Interest Involving the Swap Counterparty and its Affiliates.*” The Reference Portfolio Manager will not act or be deemed to act on behalf of the Issuer or the Holders of Securities. Actions or functions taken or performed by or which the Reference Portfolio Manager is entitled to take or perform under the Swap Agreement or the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement will be taken or performed solely in the Reference Portfolio Manager’s capacity as agent for the Swap Counterparty pursuant to the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement. Such actions include for example, the decision to add or remove a Reference Obligation, the determination of the Reference Price and/or Final Price for a Reference Obligation, and the calculation of Obligation Value Increase Amounts and Obligation Value Reduction Amounts. Neither the Issuer nor the Holders of the Securities will have any rights, as a third party beneficiary or otherwise, against the Reference Portfolio Manager under the Swap Agreement or the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement, and the Reference Portfolio Manager will have no liability to the Issuer or the Holders of Securities thereunder. The Issuer and the Holders of Securities will have no direct recourse against the Reference Portfolio Manager as a result of action or inaction by the Reference Portfolio Manager thereunder. In addition, neither the Issuer nor the Holders of the Securities will have any right to remove the Reference Portfolio Manager. See “—*Removal of the Reference Portfolio Manager.*” Although the Reference Portfolio Manager is expected to manage the Eligible Investments in the Trust Estate (other than the initial Investment Agreement) on behalf of the Swap Counterparty, it will cease to do so if a Swap Event of Default occurs with respect to the Swap Counterparty or a Swap Additional Termination Event occurs. If the Swap Agreement is terminated for any reason, Highland Capital may, but will have no obligation to, assist the Issuer in securing a replacement Swap Agreement, and if the Issuer enters into a replacement Swap Agreement, there can be no assurance that Highland Capital will be the reference portfolio manager thereunder.

The disclosure with respect to the Reference Portfolio Manager herein is included solely for the purpose of allowing prospective investors to understand the effect that actions taken or functions performed by the Reference Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Swap Counterparty) may have on the Securities.

**Effect of Decisions of the Reference Portfolio Manager on the Securities.** The ability of the Issuer to pay scheduled principal and interest on the Senior Notes and to make distributions in respect of the Income Notes will be highly dependent on the performance of the Swap Agreement, which in turn will depend on decisions made by the Reference Portfolio Manager in accordance with the terms of the Swap Agreement and the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement. As described under “—*Role of the Reference Portfolio Manager*” and “—*Conflicts of Interest Involving the Reference Portfolio Manager,*” the Reference Portfolio Manager is acting as the agent of the Swap Counterparty, not the Issuer. As described below under “—*Removal of the Reference Portfolio Manager,*” the Issuer and the Holders of Securities will have no right to remove the Reference Portfolio Manager.

The Reference Portfolio Manager is expected to actively manage the Reference Portfolio during the term of the transaction with the objective that the Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amount be sufficient to permit the Issuer, in accordance with the Priority of Payments, (i) on each Payment Date, to pay scheduled interest and principal on the Senior Notes in a timely manner and (ii) subject to clause (i), to provide for returns to the Holders of the Income Notes; *provided, however* that the Reference Portfolio Manager will not be responsible if such objectives are not achieved so long as the Reference Portfolio Manager performs its duties under the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement; and, *provided, further* that Holders of Securities will have no recourse to the Reference Portfolio Manager with respect to payment under the Securities. Unless the Swap Agreement has been terminated and all amounts owed to the Swap Counterparty thereunder have been paid in full or a Swap Event of Default as to which the Swap Counterparty is the defaulting party or Swap Additional Termination Event has occurred and is continuing, the Swap Counterparty or the Reference Portfolio Manager on its behalf will select the Eligible Investments in the Trust Accounts (other than the initial Eligible Investment) and manage the Eligible Investments in the Trust Accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Indenture.

There can be no assurance that the Reference Portfolio Manager will be able to manage the Reference Portfolio in a way that produces the economic results under the Swap Agreement desired by the Issuer (or, in turn, the beneficial owners of the Securities). The achievement of the desired results will require a high level of analytical sophistication, and there can be no assurance that the Reference Portfolio Manager will correctly judge the nature and magnitude of the many factors that could affect the prospects of creating such a Reference Portfolio. While the Reference Portfolio Manager has experience in selecting credits, managing debt portfolios, including

collateralized debt obligations (some of which include, or are permitted to include, in their collateral, synthetic securities in the form of credit default swaps), and in recovery workouts upon credit defaults, the skill set required for such activities is not necessarily the same as that required for managing a portfolio of reference credits in a synthetic transaction, such as the Reference Portfolio in this transaction. In any case, there can be no assurance that the past performance of the Reference Portfolio Manager in managing debt portfolios or other assets will be indicative of its performance in managing the Reference Portfolio.

The ability of the Reference Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Swap Counterparty to manage the Reference Portfolio will be constrained by certain limitations, including the requirements that any Reference Obligation to be added to the Reference Portfolio satisfy certain criteria and the Reference Portfolio as a whole satisfy certain criteria. In addition, the right of the Reference Portfolio Manager to modify the Reference Portfolio will be limited during any period in which any Coverage Test is not satisfied. See *“The Reference Portfolio—Reference Portfolio Criteria”* and *“Description of the Swap Agreement—Selection and Modification of the Reference Portfolio.”* Accordingly, during certain periods or in certain circumstances, the Reference Portfolio Manager may be unable as a result of such limitations to add to, remove from or otherwise modify the Reference Portfolio or take other actions that it might consider to be desirable under the Swap Agreement.

Because the Issuer may be required to make payments to the Swap Counterparty as a result of an Obligation Value Reduction Amount in connection with the removal of a Reference Obligation from the Reference Portfolio (or amounts otherwise payable by the Swap Counterparty to the Issuer may be reduced as a result thereof), removing Reference Obligations to restrict losses may result in certain costs to the Issuer. In addition, there can be no assurance that the Reference Portfolio Manager will become aware of the credit deterioration of a Reference Obligation in sufficient time to remove it from the Reference Portfolio to avoid or mitigate potential loss.

The management of the Reference Portfolio by the Reference Portfolio Manager during the term of the transaction will expose the Issuer (and, consequently, the Holders of Securities) through the Swap Agreement to changes in market conditions. As a result, if Reference Obligations are removed, the Reference Portfolio Manager may not be able to add Reference Obligations that will result in Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amounts at comparable levels to those prevailing while the removed Reference Obligations were part of the Reference Portfolio. Any such difference may adversely impact the ability of the Issuers to pay the principal of and interest on the Senior Notes and may reduce the return on the Income Notes. See *“—Return Considerations.”*

In addition, under certain circumstances, the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement could be terminated or the Reference Portfolio Manager may resign as described under *“The Reference Portfolio Manager and the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement.”* In such case, there can be no assurance as to the nature of the subsequent management of the Reference Portfolio.

Because the composition of the Reference Portfolio will vary over time, the performance of the Reference Portfolio depends heavily on the skills of the Reference Portfolio Manager in analyzing, selecting and managing the Reference Obligations. As a result, the Issuer, through the Swap Agreement, will be highly dependent on the financial and managerial experience of certain individuals associated with the Reference Portfolio Manager. The loss of key personnel could thus have a material adverse effect on the performance of the transaction and the interests of the beneficial owners of the Securities.

**Exposure to Reference Obligations and Eligible Investments.** The market value of Reference Obligations generally will fluctuate with, among other things, the financial condition of the relevant Reference Entity and the terms of such Reference Obligations, changes in prevailing interest rates, general economic conditions, the condition of certain financial markets (particularly the markets for corporate debt obligations and credit facilities), domestic and international political events and developments or trends in any particular industry. In addition, the return to the Holders will depend on the rate of prepayments of Reference Obligations and the Reference Prices at which the Reference Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Swap Counterparty, is able to add Reference Obligations to the Reference Portfolio. To the extent that prepayments occur at a different rate than expected or Reference Prices reflect less of a discount to par than expected, returns to the Holders may be reduced. The occurrence of a Credit Event will likely result in a decrease in the market value of the related Reference Obligation. If a Reference Obligation is removed from the Reference Portfolio at a time when a Credit Event has occurred and is continuing, the market value of the Reference Obligation may be less than would otherwise prevail in the absence of such circumstances.

The Issuer is also exposed to credit risk and market risk of the issuers of any Eligible Investments that it holds. The net proceeds of the issuance of the Notes (including the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A) and the Class Q-1 Securities are expected to be invested in the Investment Agreement as described in more detail herein. Insolvency of, or default by, the counterparty to such agreement (or its guarantor) would adversely affect the ability of the Issuer to make payments and distributions with respect to the Securities. In addition, such insolvency or default, or qualification, downgrade or withdrawal of the credit rating of such counterparty (or its guarantor), could result in the qualification, downgrade or withdrawal of the ratings of the Senior Notes or Class Q-1 Securities. *See "Description of the Securities—The Investment Agreement."* Other Eligible Investments acquired from time to time by the Issuer will be required to satisfy certain criteria as discussed herein.

**Revolving Loan Risk.** A significant portion of the Reference Portfolio is expected to consist of revolving loan facilities. When a revolving loan facility is included in the Reference Portfolio, the Reference Obligation Calculation Amount will measure the maximum amount of the portion of the loan included in the Reference Obligation that could be outstanding under that facility. The Reference Portfolio Proceeds in respect of such a Reference Obligation will depend on the actual amount of loans outstanding, which will change from time to time as the borrower draws, repays and redraws amounts under the facility. Although the borrower under a revolving facility typically pays commitment fees on the undrawn credit line under that facility (which commitment fees will be taken into account in calculating the Interest Return), the Interest Return, and accordingly, the Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amounts, will be lower to the extent the revolving facilities are undrawn. If draws under such facilities are, on average, lower than expected, the Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amounts will be correspondingly reduced. In that case, the ability of the Issuer to make distributions on the Income Notes and pay interest on the Senior Notes may be impaired.

**Ramp-up Risk.** The Reference Portfolio on the Closing Date is expected to have an Aggregate Reference Obligation Calculation Amount of approximately U.S. \$770 million. During the Ramp-up Period, the Reference Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Swap Counterparty is expected to add Reference Obligations to the Reference Portfolio until the Aggregate Reference Obligation Calculation Amount of the Reference Obligations is equal to approximately U.S. \$900 million in accordance with certain criteria. After the Ramp-up Period, the Aggregate Reference Obligation Calculation Amount may still increase or decrease as a result of removal and addition of Reference Obligations.

The Reference Portfolio Manager's ability to add Reference Obligations at suitable Reference Prices will depend on a number of factors, including the conditions in certain financial markets, general economic conditions and U.S. and international political events. There can be no assurance that the Reference Portfolio will reach the target levels during the Ramp-up Period or at all. A smaller Reference Portfolio may result in smaller Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amounts and could adversely affect returns on the Income Notes or the ability of the Issuer to make required payments on the Senior Notes. The Issuers will request each Rating Agency to confirm, within 30 days after the Ramp-up End Date, the ratings assigned on the Closing Date to the Senior Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities. If any of such ratings on the Senior Notes are not confirmed, on the next and succeeding Payment Dates the Senior Notes will be redeemed, beginning with the most senior Class outstanding, in accordance with the Priority of Payments until such ratings are confirmed.

**No Legal or Beneficial Interest in Reference Obligations.** Under the Swap Agreement, the Issuer will have a contractual relationship only with the Swap Counterparty, and not with any Reference Entity. Consequently, the addition of a Reference Obligation to the Reference Portfolio will not constitute a purchase or other acquisition or assignment of any interest in the Reference Obligation or any other obligation of the related Reference Entity. The Swap Counterparty is not obligated to, and may choose not to, own any or all of the Reference Obligations. Moreover, the Swap Counterparty will not grant the Issuer or the Trustee any security interest in any such obligation. The Issuer and the Trustee will therefore have rights solely against the Swap Counterparty in accordance with the Swap Agreement. The Issuer will have no right to (i) enforce directly compliance by the Reference Entity with the terms of any specific obligation of the Reference Obligation, (ii) exercise rights of setoff against the Reference Entity or voting or other consensual rights of ownership with respect to any such obligation, (iii) benefit directly from any collateral supporting any such obligation or (iv) avail itself of any remedies that would normally be available to a holder of any such obligation. Under the Swap Agreement, none of the Issuers, the Trustee, the beneficial owners of the Securities or any other entity will have any rights to acquire from the Swap Counterparty (or to require the Swap Counterparty to purchase, transfer, assign or otherwise dispose of) any interest in any Reference Obligation.

**Limited Provision of Information about Reference Entities.** Except for the limited information contained in the periodic reports furnished by the Issuer or its agent, the beneficial owners of the Securities will not have the right to obtain from the Issuers, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Share Trustee, the Administrator, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates any additional information about the Reference Portfolio or the Reference Entities. See “*Description of the Securities—The Indenture and the Collateral Administration Agreement—Reports.*” The Swap Counterparty will have no obligation to keep the Issuers, the Trustee or the beneficial owners of the Securities informed as to matters arising in relation to any Reference Entity or Reference Obligation, including whether or not circumstances exist under which there is a possibility of the occurrence of a Credit Event.

None of the Issuers, the Trustee or the beneficial owners of the Securities will have the right to inspect any records of the Swap Counterparty or the Reference Entities, and the Swap Counterparty will be under no obligation to disclose any further information regarding the existence or terms of any obligation of any Reference Entity, any guarantor or any other person.

**Effect of Credit Events on Performance of the Securities.** The Issuer is not aware of a central source for relevant data or a standardized method for measuring the likelihood of the occurrence of Credit Events. Furthermore, the historical experience of obligors comparable to the Reference Entities is not necessarily indicative of the risk of Credit Events occurring with respect to the Reference Obligations in the Reference Portfolio. The occurrence of Credit Events and the removal of the relevant Reference Obligations from the Reference Portfolio will generally reduce the amounts that would otherwise be available for payments on the Senior Notes and distributions on the Income Notes. Any such reduction will first affect the Income Notes before affecting the Senior Notes and among the Senior Notes, the beneficial owners of the Class C Notes will be directly affected before the beneficial owners of the Class B Notes, the beneficial owners of the Class B Notes will be directly affected before the beneficial owners of the Class A-2 Notes, and the beneficial owners of the Class A-2 Notes will be directly affected before the beneficial owners of the Class A-1 Notes. Prospective purchasers of the Securities should consider for themselves, among other things, the likely level and timing of Credit Events and the amount of any resulting Obligation Value Reduction Amounts. The return to the beneficial owners of the Securities will be directly affected by the performance of the Reference Portfolio in comparison to the levels of such factors anticipated by such beneficial owners. See “*—Return Considerations*” for a description of certain other developments that could adversely affect the return on the Securities.

**Termination of the Swap Agreement.** In certain circumstances specified in the Swap Agreement, the Issuer or the Swap Counterparty may terminate the Swap Agreement. For example, the Issuer or the Swap Counterparty will each have the right to terminate the Swap Agreement upon the occurrence of a payment default under the Swap Agreement by the other party. See “*Description of the Swap Agreement—Early Termination of the Swap Agreement.*” In the event that the Swap Agreement is terminated, the Issuer will no longer receive payments from the Swap Counterparty and may not have sufficient funds to make payments when due on the Securities.

In addition, upon an early termination of the Swap Agreement, the Issuer or the Swap Counterparty may be required to make a Swap Termination Payment to the other party. Such Swap Termination Payment will be calculated on the basis of the “Close-out Amount” as defined in the ISDA Master Agreement, and will generally serve to compensate the party that is “in-the-money” (which may be the defaulting party or the affected party) for the replacement cost of the terminated Swap Agreement. If the Issuer is required to make a Swap Termination Payment in such circumstances and does not enter into a replacement swap agreement under which it receives an offsetting payment, any such payment would reduce the amount available to the Issuers to make payments to the Holders of the Securities. See “*Description of the Swap Agreement—Early Termination of the Swap Agreement.*”

**Extension of Portfolio Modification Period, Swap Agreement and Maturity of Notes and Class Q-1 Securities.** Under the Swap Agreement, the Swap Counterparty may, at its option, on the Extension Effective Date extend the Portfolio Modification Period for four years to August 1, 2015 and correspondingly extend the term of the Swap Agreement for four years to August 1, 2020, if the Extension Conditions are satisfied. Under the Indenture, if the term of the Swap Agreement is so extended, the maturity of the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities will be equally extended without the requirement for any approval or consent of any holders of Securities. Holders of Securities will not be able to prevent or prohibit the extension of the maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities so long as the Extension Conditions are satisfied, which include the ability of holders of Notes and Class

Q-1 Securities to sell their Notes and Class Q-1 Securities at the applicable purchase price to a designated purchaser under the Indenture. However, the Indenture provides that holders of Income Notes that have received an internal rate of return equal to or in excess of 18% per annum as of the Extension Effective Date will not receive any payment in exchange for their Income Notes sold in connection with a Maturity Extension.

As a consequence, if the Swap Counterparty elects to extend the Swap Agreement and the Extension Conditions are satisfied, holders of Notes and Class Q-1 Securities may either be required to hold their Notes and Class Q-1 Securities for a significantly longer period of time or be forced to sell their Notes and Class Q-1 Securities for the applicable purchase price under the Indenture, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities.

In addition, the extension of the Portfolio Modification Period may affect the management of the Reference Portfolio over time and accordingly may affect the return to holders of Securities. *See – “Effect of Decisions of the Reference Portfolio Manager on the Securities.”*

The Class Q-2 Securities are scheduled to mature on April 28, 2034 and are not themselves subject to any extension of maturity. However, the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A are subject to an extension of maturity (and may be sold in connection therewith upon the direction of the applicable Holders of Class Q-2B Securities who pursuant to the Indenture have voting rights with respect to the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A) as described herein.

**Amendment Buy-Out.** Any Non-consenting Holder of Notes or Class Q-1 Securities with respect to an amendment of the Indenture or the Swap Agreement (which includes holders that fail to respond to a consent solicitation within the applicable period) may be forced to sell its applicable Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Securities. However, in the case of Income Notes, the Indenture provides that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price will be zero for Non-consenting Holders that have received an internal rate of return equal to or in excess of 18% per annum as of the Amendment Buy-Out date. *See “Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out.”* A holder’s ability to vote against an amendment or affect or influence the amendment process with respect to the Indenture and the Swap Agreement may thus be limited. The Amendment Buy-Out Option may also increase the ability of the Swap Counterparty or the Reference Portfolio Manager to affect or influence the amendment process.

The Class Q-2 Securities themselves are not subject to an Amendment Buy-Out, but the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A, if the Holders of Class Q-2B Securities who pursuant to the Indenture have voting rights with respect to the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A would be deemed to be a Non-consenting Holder with respect to such Income Notes and such amendment pursuant to the provisions of the Indenture. Such purchase may result in the early repayment of the Class Q-2A Securities pursuant to the Indenture.

**Reliance on Creditworthiness of the Swap Counterparty and Swap Guarantor.** The ability of the Issuers to pay amounts due on the Senior Notes and the Issuer to make distributions on the Income Notes will be dependent, in part, on the receipt of payments by the Issuer from the Swap Counterparty under the Swap Agreement (or from the Swap Guarantor under the Swap Guarantee). Consequently, the Issuers will not only be relying on the creditworthiness of the Reference Entities in order to avoid the occurrence of Credit Events, but also on the creditworthiness of the Swap Counterparty (or the Swap Guarantor) to perform its obligations in respect of the Swap Agreement. The insolvency of the Swap Counterparty or Swap Guarantor or a default by it under the Swap Agreement or Swap Guarantee, respectively, would adversely affect the ability of the Issuers to make the payments due on the Senior Notes and distributions on the Income Notes, could result in the qualification, withdrawal or downgrading of the rating on the Senior Notes or the Class Q-1 Securities and potentially could lead to the early termination of the Swap Agreement. *See “The Swap Counterparty and Swap Guarantor.”*

The rating of the Securities may also be affected by a qualification, downgrade or withdrawal of the Swap Counterparty’s or the Swap Guarantor’s ratings. If the Swap Counterparty or the Swap Guarantor fails to meet the applicable rating requirements under the Swap Agreement, the Swap Counterparty will be required to post collateral, and in some cases, take certain additional actions. There can be no assurance, however, that the Swap Counterparty’s posting of collateral or taking such actions will prevent a qualification, downgrade or withdrawal of the ratings of any Class of Senior Notes or Class Q-1 Securities.

Upon any early termination of the Swap Agreement, as long as the Notes have not been accelerated pursuant to the Indenture, the Issuer will attempt, subject to the Indenture and to approval by the Holders of the Notes as described herein, to arrange to replace the Swap Agreement with a new swap agreement with an acceptable counterparty. In such event, the Reference Portfolio Manager may, in its discretion, assist the Issuer in its efforts to arrange for a replacement swap agreement, with itself as Reference Portfolio Manager. There can be no assurance that the Issuer or the Reference Portfolio Manager will be able to arrange for a substitute swap agreement in the event of the termination of the Swap Agreement, that the terms of any such replacement swap agreement would be as favorable to the Issuer or the Holders of the Securities as the terms of the Swap Agreement or that Highland Capital will be the reference portfolio manager under such a replacement swap agreement.

**Concentration Risk.** Payments on the Securities could be affected by the concentration of the Reference Portfolio in the Reference Obligations of any one country, industry or Reference Entity. In addition, Defaulted Reference Obligations may be highly correlated with particular geographic regions or industries represented in the Reference Portfolio. The Swap Agreement will contain limitations on the concentration of the Reference Obligations in the obligations of any one Reference Entity and will also include diversity requirements intended to achieve diversity across countries and industries.

**International Investing.** Up to 15% of the Portfolio Calculation Amount may consist of Reference Obligations of Reference Entities having a Domicile in an Eligible Country other than the United States or Canada. Transactions in Reference Obligations of non-U.S. Reference Entities may involve greater risks than transactions in Reference Obligations of only U.S. Reference Entities. These risks may include (i) less publicly available information, (ii) varying levels of governmental regulation and supervision, (iii) the difficulty of enforcing legal rights in a foreign jurisdiction and uncertainties as to the status, interpretation and application of laws, (iv) risks of economic dislocations in the host country, (v) less data on historic default and recovery rates, (vi) higher transaction costs, (vii) delays and other problems in the clearance and settlement of transactions and (viii) impacts of currency conversion rate changes on Reference Entities (although all of the Reference Obligations will be denominated and payable in U.S. dollars). Moreover, non-U.S. Reference Entities may not be subject to accounting, auditing and financial reporting standards, practices and requirements comparable to those applicable to U.S. Reference Entities. Although the Issuer will not directly own any Reference Obligations, all of the foregoing factors may adversely affect the market value of any Reference Obligation of a non-U.S. Reference Entity, which may result in a larger Obligation Value Reduction Amount or smaller Obligation Value Increase Amount upon its removal from the Reference Portfolio.

**Credit Ratings.** Credit ratings of Reference Entities and Reference Obligations represent the opinions of the rating agencies regarding the likelihood of payment of certain obligations when due and the ultimate payment of other obligations (such as principal payments) of the Reference Entities, but are not a guarantee of the creditworthiness of such Reference Entities. While the market imposes a certain amount of discipline on the rating agencies' rating processes, the rating agencies themselves do not assume responsibility for their rating actions in any legally cognizable sense, and investors cannot expect to have recourse to rating agencies for ratings actions taken or not taken. While rating methodologies generally attempt to evaluate all risks capable of rational analysis, not all risks are susceptible of analysis and certain market risks are explicitly excluded from rating analyses. Therefore, the ratings assigned to a Reference Entity or its Reference Obligations by the Rating Agencies may not fully reflect the true risks of adding a Reference Obligation to the Reference Portfolio. In addition, rating agencies may fail to make timely changes in credit ratings in response to subsequent events, so that the current financial condition of a Reference Entity at any given time may be better or worse than what the current rating indicates. Consequently, credit ratings of the Reference Entities and Reference Obligations included in the Reference Portfolio cannot be definitive indicators of investment quality. *See also "Ratings"* for a discussion of the ratings of the Senior Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities.

**Conflicts of Interest Involving the Swap Counterparty and Its Affiliates.** The Swap Counterparty and its Affiliates are acting in a number of capacities in connection with the transaction described herein. Citigroup Global Markets Inc., an Affiliate of the Swap Counterparty, will serve as Initial Purchaser and Placement Agent with respect to the Securities and may be the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser. The Swap Counterparty or another affiliate may act as, or designate, another Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser. The Swap Guarantor is the issuer of the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B. The Swap Counterparty and each of its Affiliates acting in such capacities will have only the duties and responsibilities expressly agreed to by such entity in the relevant capacity and will not, by reason of its or any of its Affiliates' acting in any other capacity, be deemed to have other duties or responsibilities or be deemed to be held to a standard of care other than as expressly provided with respect to each such capacity. In no

event shall the Swap Counterparty or any of its Affiliates be deemed to have any fiduciary obligations to the Holders of the Securities or any other Person by reason of its or any of its Affiliates acting in any capacity. The Swap Counterparty may take actions under the Swap Agreement or otherwise that may be inconsistent with or adverse to the interests of the Holders of the Securities.

The Swap Counterparty will not be obligated to take any action to minimize Obligation Value Reduction Amounts, or maximize Obligation Value Increase Amounts, with respect to any Reference Obligation. The Swap Counterparty or one of its Affiliates may act as a dealer for purposes of obtaining quotations with respect to a Reference Obligation. In the case of the occurrence of an Event of Default under the Indenture, the Swap Counterparty will, except in limited circumstances, be entitled to direct the Trustee to take certain actions with respect to the Trust Estate until the obligations of the Issuer to the Swap Counterparty under the Swap Agreement are paid in full, and such directions may be inconsistent with or adverse to the interests of the Holders of the Securities. The Swap Counterparty will be entitled to extend the Portfolio Modification Period and correspondingly extend the term of the Swap Agreement and the maturity of the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities, subject to the Extension Conditions.

The Swap Counterparty and its Affiliates may purchase, acquire, hold, sell and make loans secured by Securities from time to time subject to certain limitations discussed below. The Swap Counterparty and its Affiliates may be entitled or become obligated to acquire Securities under certain circumstances and in such case would have the rights of Holders of such Securities as described herein.

The Swap Counterparty and its Affiliates may (but are not required to) hold any Reference Obligations or other obligations or securities of any Reference Entity (including to hedge its obligations under the Swap Agreement), may deal in any such obligations or securities, may enter into other credit derivatives involving reference entities or reference obligations that may include the Reference Entities or Reference Obligations (including credit derivatives to hedge its obligations under the Swap Agreement), may accept deposits from, make loans or otherwise extend credit to, and generally engage in any kind of commercial or investment banking or other business with, any Reference Entity, any Affiliate of any Reference Entity or any other Person or other entity having obligations relating to any Reference Entity, and may act with respect to such business in the same manner as if the Swap Agreement did not exist, regardless of whether any such relationship or action might have an adverse effect on any Reference Entity (including, without limitation, any action which might constitute or give rise to a Credit Event), or on the position of the Issuer or any other party to the transactions described herein or otherwise. Reference Obligations may include loans or loan facilities extended by the Swap Counterparty or any of its Affiliates to Reference Entities. In addition, the Swap Counterparty and/or its Affiliates may from time to time possess interests in the Reference Entities and/or Reference Obligations allowing the Swap Counterparty or its Affiliates, as applicable (or any investment manager or adviser acting on its or their behalf), to exercise voting or consent rights with respect thereto, and such rights may be exercised in a manner that may be adverse to the interests of the Holders or that may affect the market value of Reference Obligations and/or the amounts payable thereunder. The Swap Counterparty and its Affiliates may maintain other banking and investment advisory relationships with the Reference Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates. The Swap Counterparty and its Affiliates may, whether by reason of the types of relationships described herein or otherwise, at the date hereof or any time hereafter, be in possession of information in relation to any Reference Entity that is or may be material in the context of the Swap Agreement and the other transaction documents and that may or may not be publicly available or known to the other parties to the transaction documents and which information the Swap Counterparty or such Affiliates may be prohibited from using for the benefit of the Issuer. Although the Swap Counterparty or its Affiliates may be prohibited from acting on the basis of such information in connection with the Swap Agreement, the possession of such information will not otherwise prevent the Swap Counterparty or its Affiliates from taking actions under the Swap Agreement.

The Swap Counterparty and its Affiliates currently act as administrative agent, swap counterparty, underwriter, initial purchaser or placement agent or in a similar capacity for entities having investment objectives similar to those of the Issuer, and the Swap Counterparty and its Affiliates may act as administrative agent, swap counterparty, underwriter, initial purchaser or placement agent for such entities and other similar entities in the future. The Swap Counterparty (or an Affiliate) may be advising or distributing securities on behalf of an issuer or providing banking or other services to an issuer at the same time at which the Reference Portfolio Manager is determining whether to add or remove the issuer as a Reference Entity under the Swap Agreement. The Swap Counterparty has no duty to inform the Reference Portfolio Manager of any such relationship or activity.

Employees of the Swap Counterparty and its Affiliates may also serve as directors of other entities having investment objectives similar to those of the Issuer.

The Issuer may invest in Eligible Investments that are purchased from or sold to the Swap Counterparty or its Affiliates. The Swap Counterparty, as secured party under the Indenture, or the Reference Portfolio Manager on its behalf, will be entitled to direct the Issuer's investments in Eligible Investments in the Trust Estate unless a Swap Event of Default as to which the Swap Counterparty is the defaulting party or a Swap Additional Termination Event has occurred and is continuing or the Swap Agreement has been terminated and all amounts owed to the Swap Counterparty thereunder have been paid.

The Swap Counterparty and its Affiliates may hold or deal in obligations of, or interests in, and may generally engage in any kind of commercial or investment banking or other business with, issuers of Eligible Investments.

**Conflicts of Interest Involving the Reference Portfolio Manager.** As described herein, the Reference Portfolio Manager will act solely on behalf of the Swap Counterparty (and not on behalf of the Issuer). The disclosure with respect to the Reference Portfolio Manager herein is included solely for the purpose of allowing prospective investors to understand the effect that the actions or omissions of the Reference Portfolio Manager under the Swap Agreement and Reference Portfolio Management Agreement may have on the Securities. Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise from the overall advisory, investment and other activities of the Reference Portfolio Manager and any of its Affiliates and their respective clients. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

Although the Reference Portfolio Manager's fees are, in part, based on the performance of the Reference Portfolio, under the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement, the Reference Portfolio Manager is acting on behalf of the Swap Counterparty as its agent (and not as the agent of the Issuer or agent of the Holders of Securities) under the Swap Agreement. See "*Role of the Reference Portfolio Manager.*"

The Swap Counterparty is not the Reference Portfolio Manager's exclusive client. The Reference Portfolio Manager may invest and has, and in the future may have, Affiliates and other clients, which invest, directly or indirectly, in the securities or financial instruments of issuers that are the same or similar to the Reference Entities included in the Reference Portfolio or that would be appropriate for inclusion in the Reference Portfolio, and the Reference Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates and other clients in making such investments have no duty to take into account the interests of the Swap Counterparty, the Issuer or the Holders of Securities. Such investment decisions may be different from decisions to add or remove Reference Obligations under the Swap Agreement. The Reference Portfolio Manager and its principals, officers and employees will conduct businesses other than that with respect to the Swap Agreement, including providing investment management and advisory services to its Affiliates and other clients. There is no limitation or restriction on the Reference Portfolio Manager (or its Affiliates) with regard to acting as portfolio manager (or in a similar role) to other parties or persons. Although the principals, officers and employees of the Reference Portfolio Manager will devote as much time to the Swap Agreement as the Reference Portfolio Manager deems appropriate to accomplish the objectives of the transaction, the principals, officers and employees of the Reference Portfolio Manager may have conflicts allocating their time and services among the Swap Counterparty and the Affiliates and other clients of the Reference Portfolio Manager. The Reference Portfolio Manager may from time to time engage in transactions or perform services for the Swap Counterparty and its Affiliates other than those provided for in the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement and the Swap Agreement.

The Reference Portfolio Manager will be reimbursed by the Swap Counterparty for certain expenses and other amounts incurred in connection with the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement and the Swap Agreement, to the extent the Swap Counterparty receives payment for such expenses from the Issuer in accordance with the Priority of Payments or from the proceeds of the issuance of the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities. Such expenses may therefore affect the return to Holders of Securities.

Since a portion of the fees payable to the Reference Portfolio Manager corresponding to the Subordinate Amount and the Incentive Amount will only be payable to the extent the Income Notes have received specified returns (See "*The Reference Portfolio Manager and the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement*"), those fees may be viewed as creating an incentive for the Reference Portfolio Manager to make more speculative decisions



with respect to the addition and removal of Reference Obligations or other management of the Reference Portfolio than it would otherwise have made in absence of such fee arrangements.

The Reference Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates may be a Holder of Securities. In particular, it is expected that on the Closing Date an Affiliate or fund of the Reference Portfolio Manager will invest U.S. \$20 million in Income Notes of the Issuer. As a Holder of Income Notes, the Reference Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates or funds will, among other things, be eligible to vote for or against an Optional Redemption of the Notes. The holding of Income Notes by the Reference Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates could therefore affect the ability of the other Holders of the Income Notes to effect an Optional Redemption. Regardless of any such investment or holdings, the interests and incentives of the Reference Portfolio Manager will not necessarily be aligned with those of the other Holders of the Securities (or of the Holders of any particular Class of Securities). Each of the Reference Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates and their respective employees may in its discretion purchase any of the Securities for its own account or for any account for which it serves as investment adviser.

The Reference Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates may enter into, for their own account or for other accounts for which they have investment discretion, swap agreements relating to reference entities that may be the same as Reference Entities for Reference Obligations included in the Reference Portfolio or that may be appropriate for inclusion as a Reference Obligation in the Reference Portfolio. Such swap agreements may contain terms similar to or different from those contained in the Swap Agreement, and may be entered into with the Swap Counterparty or other swap counterparties. The Reference Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates and clients may also have equity and other investments in and may be lenders to, and may have other ongoing relationships with, the Reference Entities that may include, without limitation, serving as credit risk manager for, investing in, lending to, or being affiliated with, Reference Entities and other trusts and pooled investment vehicles that acquire interests in, provide financing to, or otherwise deal with Reference Entities the obligations of which would be suitable for addition to the Reference Portfolio. In addition, Affiliates and clients of the Reference Portfolio Manager may invest in securities (or make loans) that are included among, *pari passu* with or senior to Reference Obligations, or have interests different from or adverse to those of the Swap Counterparty or the Issuer with respect to Reference Entities or Reference Obligations. The Reference Portfolio Manager may at certain times be simultaneously adding or removing a Reference Obligation or Reference Obligations to or from, as applicable, the Reference Portfolio and arranging for other similar entities for which it serves as investment adviser, or for its clients or Affiliates, to purchase or sell the same Reference Obligation or Reference Obligations or to add or remove the same Reference Obligation or Reference Obligations to or from, as applicable, the reference portfolio under comparable swap agreements or other cash portfolios. The Reference Portfolio Manager will be free, in its sole discretion, to make recommendations to others, or effect transactions on behalf of itself or for others, that may be the same as or different from those effected on behalf of the Swap Counterparty.

No provision in the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement prevents the Reference Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates from rendering services of any kind to a Reference Entity (or an issuer of any Eligible Investment included in the Trust Estate) or the Issuers, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, the Holders of the Securities or any other Person or entity. As a result, officers or Affiliates of the Reference Portfolio Manager may possess information related to the Reference Entities which is not known to the officers or employees of the Reference Portfolio Manager responsible for managing the Reference Portfolio and performing the other obligations of the Reference Portfolio Manager under the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, the Reference Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates and the directors, officers, employees and agents of the Reference Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates may, among other things: (i) serve as portfolio manager or advisor or subadvisor, directors, partners, officers, employees, agents, nominees or signatories for any Reference Entity or other issuers who invest in assets of a similar nature to the Reference Obligations; (ii) receive fees for services rendered to a Reference Entity or any Affiliates thereof or any such issuer; (iii) be a secured or unsecured creditor of, or hold an equity interest in, any Reference Entity or any such issuer; (iv) make a market in any Reference Obligation; and (v) serve as a member of any "creditors' board" with respect to any Reference Entity. These and other present and future activities of the Reference Portfolio Manager and/or its Affiliates may give rise to additional conflicts of interest.

The Reference Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates currently provide and will continue to provide advisory and other services to clients that are Reference Entities or their Affiliates or issuers of securities similar to or the same as the Reference Obligations under the Swap Agreement. In the course of managing the Reference Portfolio, the Reference Portfolio Manager may consider its relationships with other clients (including Reference Entities) and their Affiliates. The Reference Portfolio Manager may determine not to add a Reference Entity to the Reference Portfolio in view of such relationships. In providing services to other clients, the Reference Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates may recommend activities that would compete with or otherwise adversely affect the Swap Counterparty or the Issuer and the Holders of the Securities. In connection with the foregoing activities, the Reference Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates may from time to time come into possession of information that limits the ability of the Reference Portfolio Manager to designate that a Reference Entity be added to or removed from the Reference Portfolio, and the ability to perform some of its duties as Reference Portfolio Manager may be constrained as a consequence of its inability to use such information for advisory purposes or otherwise to take actions that would be in the best interest of the Swap Counterparty or the Issuer and the Holders of the Securities.

Unless the Reference Portfolio Manager determines in its reasonable judgment that a transaction is on terms and conditions no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's-length basis between third-parties unaffiliated with each other and subject to any limitations imposed on the Reference Portfolio Manager by applicable law, the Reference Portfolio Manager will be required to refrain from adding or removing Reference Obligations issued by (i) persons of which the Reference Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates or any of its or their officers, directors or employees are directors or officers, (ii) persons for which the Reference Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates act as financial adviser or underwriter or (iii) persons with whom the Reference Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates otherwise maintain a client relationship. Furthermore, the Reference Portfolio Manager may, in its sole discretion, refrain from adding or removing Reference Obligations issued by any of the persons described in (i), (ii) or (iii) above or persons about which the Reference Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates have information that the Reference Portfolio Manager deems confidential or nonpublic or that otherwise might prohibit it from trading (or referencing) such obligations in accordance with applicable law. The Reference Portfolio Manager will not be obligated to utilize any particular investment opportunity or strategy that may arise with respect to the Reference Obligations. In the course of managing the Reference Portfolio, the Reference Portfolio Manager may consider its relationships with other clients (including Reference Entities) and their affiliates and may, in its sole discretion, determine not to add a Reference Obligation to the Reference Portfolio in view of such relationships.

Neither the Reference Portfolio Manager nor any of its Affiliates is under any obligation (affirmative or otherwise) to offer investment opportunities of which it becomes aware to the Swap Counterparty or the Issuer or to account to the Swap Counterparty or the Issuer for (or share with the Swap Counterparty or the Issuer or inform the Swap Counterparty or the Issuer of) any such opportunity or any benefit received by it from any such opportunity before offering any investments to other funds or accounts that the Reference Portfolio Manager and/or its Affiliates manage or advise or before engaging in any investments for themselves. Furthermore, the Reference Portfolio Manager and/or any of its Affiliates may make an investment on behalf of any account it manages or advises without offering the opportunity to add such investment, or adding such investment, to the Reference Portfolio. Affirmative obligations may exist or may arise in the future, whereby the Reference Portfolio Manager and/or any of its Affiliates is obligated to offer certain investments to funds or accounts that it manages or advises before or without offering those investment opportunities to the Swap Counterparty or the Issuer. The Reference Portfolio Manager will endeavor to resolve conflicts with respect to investment opportunities in a manner which it deems equitable to the extent possible under the prevailing facts and circumstances and subject to applicable law.

**Removal of the Reference Portfolio Manager.** The Issuer and the Holders of Securities will have no right to remove the Reference Portfolio Manager and no right to participate in the selection of a replacement Reference Portfolio Manager. However, the Issuer may request that the Swap Counterparty remove the Reference Portfolio Manager upon not less than 90 days' prior written notice without cause upon a vote to that effect by at least 66 2/3% (in Aggregate Principal Amount) of the Income Notes and at least 66 2/3% (in Aggregate Principal Amount) of each Class of Senior Notes. The Issuer may also request that the Swap Counterparty remove the Reference Portfolio Manager for cause upon a vote to that effect by at least 66 2/3% (in Aggregate Principal Amount) of the Income Notes and at least 66 2/3% (in Aggregate Principal Amount) of each Class of Senior Notes. Upon receipt of such a request, the Swap Counterparty may, but is not obligated to, remove the Reference Portfolio Manager. In addition, the Swap Counterparty, without the consent or participation of the Issuer or the Holders of Securities, may remove the Reference Portfolio Manager for cause at any time. In connection with any such

appointment of a replacement Reference Portfolio Manager, the Swap Counterparty may (but is not obligated to) consult with the Issuer, and if it so consults, is not required to follow the recommendation of the Issuer. If the Swap Counterparty chooses to consult with the Issuer, the Issuer will consult and follow the direction of Holders of a majority in Aggregate Principal Amount of the Income Notes in making any recommendation; *provided* that the Issuer shall not follow such direction if the Holders of at least 66 2/3% in Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Senior Notes object to such direction. *See “Description of the Swap Agreement—Early Termination of the Swap Agreement.”*

In addition, the Reference Portfolio Manager may terminate the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement at any time upon not less than 90 days’ written notice to the Issuer, the Swap Counterparty, the Trustee and each Rating Agency.

No resignation of the Reference Portfolio Manager will be effective until a successor Reference Portfolio Manager has been appointed in accordance with the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement and the Rating Agencies confirm in writing that such an appointment will not adversely affect the then current rating on the Securities. If within 90 days following a notice of resignation or a notice of removal no replacement Reference Portfolio Manager has been appointed and accepted such appointment, the Reference Portfolio Manager may petition a court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a replacement Reference Portfolio Manager.

*See “—Role of the Reference Portfolio Manager” above and “The Reference Portfolio Manager and the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement—The Reference Portfolio Management Agreement.”*

**The Issuers.** The Issuer and Co-Issuer are a recently incorporated Cayman Islands exempted company and a recently incorporated Delaware corporation, respectively, and have no prior operating history or prior business experience. The Issuer will have no significant assets other than the Trust Accounts and Eligible Investments therein, its rights under the Swap Agreement and the Swap Guarantee and proceeds thereof, all of which will be pledged to the Trustee to secure the Issuer’s obligations to the Swap Counterparty and the Holders of the Notes, and the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral, which will be pledged to the Trustee to secure the Issuer’s obligations to the Holders of the Class Q-2 Securities. The Issuer has no employees. The Co-Issuer will not have any significant assets and will not pledge any assets under the Indenture. The Issuer will not engage in any business activity other than the issuance of the Securities as described herein, the acquisition and disposition of Eligible Investments and the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral and investment and reinvestment in Eligible Investments as described herein, certain activities conducted in connection with the payment of amounts in respect of the Securities, entering into the Swap Agreement and exercising its rights and performing its obligations thereunder and under the Swap Guarantee and the management of the Trust Estate and other activities incidental to the foregoing and permitted by the Indenture. The Co-Issuer will not engage in any business activity other than the co-issuance of the Senior Notes as described herein and other activities incidental to the foregoing and permitted by the Indenture.

**Limited Liquidity.** There is currently no active trading market for any of the Securities being offered hereby, and the Securities are subject to restrictions on transfer. Citigroup Global Markets Inc. and its Affiliates will not be obligated to make a market in the Securities or otherwise to buy and sell the Securities following the Closing Date. The Securities are expected to be owned by a relatively small number of investors and it is highly unlikely that an active secondary market for the Securities will develop. Purchasers of the Securities may find it difficult or uneconomic to liquidate their investment at any particular time, and it may be difficult for the Holders of the Securities to determine the value of the Securities at any particular time. Consequently, a purchaser must be prepared to hold the Securities until the Maturity Date. *See “Purchase and Transfer Restrictions.” See also “Certain ERISA Considerations”* regarding certain restrictions on transfers to investors subject to ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code.

**Tax Considerations.** The Issuer, as a foreign corporation, will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on its net income if it is treated as engaged in a trade or business within the United States. Counsel to the Issuer will provide an opinion that, while not free from doubt, the Issuer should not be considered to be engaged in a trade or business within the United States as a result of its contemplated activities. No activity closely comparable to that of the Issuer has been the subject of any Treasury regulation, revenue ruling or judicial decision, however, and the opinion of counsel to the Issuer is not binding upon the Internal Revenue Service (the “IRS”). If the IRS were successfully to characterize the Issuer as being engaged in a trade or business in the United States, among other

consequences, the Issuer would be subject to U.S. tax obligations that could materially adversely affect the Issuer's financial ability to comply with its obligations with respect to the Senior Notes and to make distributions on the Income Notes. See "*Certain Income Tax Considerations—Certain United States Tax Considerations*" and "*—Tax Treatment of the Issuer—United States Federal Income Taxes*." Prospective investors should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the possibility that the Issuer would be treated as engaged in a trade or business within the United States.

The Issuer is expected to be a passive foreign investment company, and a U.S. person holding Income Notes, other than a person treated as a U.S. Shareholder in a controlled foreign corporation, therefore may be subject to additional taxes unless it elects to treat the Issuer as a qualified electing fund and to recognize currently its proportionate share of the Issuer's income. A Holder that is required to include subpart F income or that makes a qualified electing fund election may recognize income in amounts significantly greater than the distributions received from the Issuer. Income may exceed distributions when, for example, the Issuer uses earnings to repay principal on the Senior Notes or accrues income on the Swap Agreement or on Eligible Investments prior to the receipt of cash or retains in the Collateral Account amounts attributable to payments received. A Holder that makes the qualified electing fund election will be required to include in income currently its pro rata share of such earnings, income or amounts whether or not the Issuer actually makes distributions. The Issuer also may become a foreign personal holding company, in which case U.S. persons holding Income Notes could be subject to different tax treatment. See "*Certain Income Tax Considerations—Certain United States Tax Considerations—Tax Treatment of Income Notes*."

Under current tax law of the United States and other jurisdictions, payments on the Eligible Investments are not expected to be subject to the imposition of U.S. federal or other withholding tax unless the obligor of the Eligible Investment is required to make gross-up payments for the full amount of such tax. There can be no assurance, however, that as a result of a change in any applicable law, treaty, rule or regulation or interpretation thereof, the payments on the Eligible Investments might not in the future become subject to withholding tax. In the event that any withholding tax should become applicable to payments on the Eligible Investments and the obligor thereon were not then required to make "gross-up" payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding taxes, such tax would reduce the amounts available to make payments on the Securities. Payments under the Swap Agreement will be subject to "gross-up" by the Swap Counterparty with respect to Indemnifiable Taxes, which include all U.S. withholding taxes currently applied to payments to non-U.S. persons. In the event that U.S. taxes that do not qualify as Indemnifiable Taxes are imposed in the future on payments by the Swap Counterparty, such taxes would also reduce the amounts available to make payments on Securities.

**Investment Company Act Considerations.** The Issuer has not registered with the Commission as an investment company pursuant to the Investment Company Act in reliance on Section 3(c)(7) thereof. The Co-Issuer also has not registered with the Commission as an investment company, based on the fact that the Co-Issuer has no assets that could be construed as the holding of "securities" under the Investment Company Act. In general terms, Section 3(c)(7) excepts from the provisions of the Investment Company Act those issuers (i) whose investors residing in the United States are Qualified Purchasers and (ii) which do not make a public offering of their securities in the United States.

To rely on Section 3(c)(7), the Issuer must have a "reasonable belief" that all purchasers of the Securities which reside in the United States (including initial purchasers and subsequent transferees of Securities sold to initial purchasers pursuant to Rule 144A) are Qualified Purchasers. Because transfers of beneficial interests in the Senior Notes will be generally effected only through DTC and its participants and indirect participants without delivery of written transferee certifications to the Issuers, the Issuers will establish such a reasonable belief by means of the deemed representations, warranties and agreements described under "*Purchase and Transfer Restrictions*," the agreements of the initial purchasers relating to Rule 144A and Regulation S referred to under "*Purchase and Transfer Restrictions*" and by taking certain other actions pursuant to the Indenture. Although the Commission has stated that it is possible for an issuer of securities to satisfy the reasonable belief standard referred to above by establishing procedures to provide a means by which such issuer can make a reasonable determination as to the status of its holders of securities as Qualified Purchasers, the Commission has not approved—and has stated that it will not approve—any particular set of procedures, including the Section 3(c)(7) Procedures referred to herein. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the Issuer will satisfy the reasonable belief standard referred to above.

If the Commission or a court of competent jurisdiction were to find that the Issuer or the Co-Issuer is required, but failed, to register as an investment company in violation of the Investment Company Act, possible consequences include, but are not limited to, the following: (i) the Commission could apply to a district court to enjoin the violation; (ii) investors in the Issuer or the Co-Issuer could sue the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, and recover any damages caused by the violation; (iii) any agreement to which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, is a party that is made in, or whose performance involves a violation of, the Investment Company Act would be unenforceable by any party to the agreement unless a court were to find that under the circumstances enforcement would produce a more equitable result than non-enforcement and would not be inconsistent with the purposes of the Investment Company Act and (iv) the Swap Agreement may terminate. Should the Issuer or the Co-Issuer be subjected to any or all of the foregoing, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, and the Holders of the Securities would be materially and adversely affected.

**Money Laundering Prevention.** The Issuer and the Administrator are subject to anti-money laundering legislation in the Cayman Islands pursuant to the Proceeds of Criminal Conduct Law (2001 Revision) (the “PCCL”). Pursuant to the PCCL the Cayman Islands government enacted The Money Laundering Regulations (2003 Revision), which impose specific requirements with respect to the obligation “to know your client.” Except in relation to certain categories of institutional investors, the Issuer will require a detailed verification of each investor’s identity and the source of the payment used by such investor for purchasing the Securities in a manner similar to the obligations imposed under the laws of other major financial centers. In addition, if any person who is resident in the Cayman Islands knows or has a suspicion that a payment to the Issuer (by way of investment or otherwise) contains the proceeds of criminal conduct, that person must report such suspicion to the Cayman Islands authorities pursuant to the PCCL. If the Issuer were determined by the Cayman Islands government to be in violation of the PCCL or The Money Laundering Regulations (2003 Revision), the Issuer could be subject to substantial criminal penalties. Such a violation could materially adversely affect the timing and amount of payments by the Issuer to the Holders of the Securities.

**Emerging Requirements of the European Community.** As part of the harmonization of securities markets in Europe, the European Commission has adopted a directive known as the Prospectus Directive (which must be implemented by Member States by July 1, 2005) that will regulate offers of securities to the public and admissions to trading to E.U. regulated markets. The European Commission is scheduled to adopt a directive known as the Transparency Directive towards the end of 2004 (which is expected to be implemented by Member States in 2006) that will among other things, impose continuing financial reporting obligations on issuers that have certain types of securities admitted to trading on an E.U. regulated market. In addition, the Market Abuse Directive (which must be implemented by Member States by October 12, 2004) harmonizes the rules on insider trading and market manipulation in respect of securities admitted to trading on an E.U. regulated market and requires issuers of such securities to disclose any non-public price-sensitive information as soon as possible, subject to certain limited exemptions. The listing of Securities on the Irish Stock Exchange would subject the Issuer to regulation under these directives, although the requirements applicable to the Issuer are not yet fully clarified. The Indenture will not require the Issuer to maintain a listing for any Class of Securities on an E.U. stock exchange if compliance with these directives (or other requirements adopted by the European Commission or a relevant Member State) becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Swap Counterparty.

## THE ISSUER AND THE CO-ISSUER

### The Issuer

Valhalla CLO, Ltd. was incorporated on June 9, 2004 under the Companies Law (2004 Revision) of the Cayman Islands with the registered number 136687 and has an indefinite existence. The registered office of the Issuer is at the offices of Walkers SPV Limited, P.O. Box 908GT, Walker House, Mary Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands.

The Issuer has no prior operating history, prior business experience or employees. Clause 2 of the Issuer's Memorandum of Association sets out the objects of the Issuer, which include the business to be carried out by the Issuer in connection with the issuance of the Securities. The activities of the Issuer will be limited to (i) issuance of its Ordinary Shares (not offered hereby), (ii) issuance of the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities, which will be secured by the Issuer's rights under the Swap Agreement and certain other assets pledged by the Issuer under the Indenture, (iii) issuance of the Class Q-2 Securities, which will be secured by the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral, (iv) entering into the Swap Agreement and exercising its rights and performing its obligations thereunder and under the Swap Guarantee, (v) entering into the Indenture and the Collateral Administration Agreement, and exercising its rights and performing its obligations thereunder, (vi) the acquisition and disposition of Eligible Investments, including the Investment Agreement, and the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral and (vii) engaging in other activities incidental to the foregoing and permitted by the Indenture. Cash flow derived from the Swap Agreement and other assets included in the Trust Estate will be the Issuer's only source of funds to make payments on the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities. Assets included in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral will be the Issuer's only source of funds to make payments on the Class Q-2 Securities. The Issuer has no indebtedness for borrowed money other than indebtedness incurred pursuant to the Indenture and described herein. The Issuer may incur debt in the future only in compliance with and pursuant to the terms of the Indenture.

The authorized share capital of the Issuer consists of the aggregate of 1,000 voting Ordinary Shares, par value U.S. \$1.00 per share (the "Ordinary Shares").

All of the Issuer's Ordinary Shares are issued and will be legally owned by the Share Trustee and will be held in charitable trust for the benefit of one or more charitable organizations located in the Cayman Islands under the terms of a declaration of trust. Under the terms of such declaration of trust, the Share Trustee will, among other things, generally agree not to dispose of or otherwise deal with such Ordinary Shares. The Share Trustee will have no beneficial interest in and derive no benefit, other than fees, from its holding of the Ordinary Shares.

The Issuer's Articles of Association provide that the Board of Directors of the Issuer will consist of not more than ten Directors. A majority of the Directors are required by the Articles of Association to be persons who are not citizens or residents of the United States. The Directors of the Issuer are expected to be as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Occupation</u>
David Egglshaw	Walkers SPV Limited P.O. Box 908GT Walker House, Mary Street George Town Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands	Employee of Walkers SPV Limited
John Cullinane	Walkers SPV Limited P.O. Box 908GT Walker House, Mary Street George Town Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands	Employee of Walkers SPV Limited
Derrie Boggess	Walkers SPV Limited P.O. Box 908GT Walker House, Mary Street George Town Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands	Employee of Walkers SPV Limited

### The Co-Issuer

Valhalla CLO, Inc. (the “Co-Issuer”) was incorporated on June 9, 2004 under the laws of the State of Delaware with the filing number 3813950 and its registered office is at Puglisi & Associates, 850 Library Avenue, Suite 204, Newark, Delaware 19711. Article 3 of the Co-Issuer’s Certificate of Incorporation sets out the objective of the Co-Issuer which is principally the business to be carried out by the Co-Issuer in connection with the issuance of the Senior Notes. The Co-Issuer will not have any substantial assets and will not pledge any assets to secure the Notes.

The Co-Issuer has no prior operating history, prior business experience or employees. The activities of the Co-Issuer will be limited to (i) issuance of its common stock, (ii) co-issuance of the Senior Notes and (iii) other activities incidental to the foregoing and permitted by the Indenture.

The sole director of the Co-Issuer is Donald J. Puglisi. Mr. Puglisi is also the President, Secretary and Treasurer of the Co-Issuer. Mr. Puglisi may be contacted at the address of the Co-Issuer.

### Capitalization of the Issuer

The Issuer’s expected initial capitalization and indebtedness on the Closing Date, after giving effect to the issuance of the Securities and the Ordinary Shares (before deducting certain expenses of the offering and the issuance thereof) is set forth below:

<u>Type</u>	<u>Amount (U.S.\$)</u>
Class A-1 Notes	U.S. \$ 62,000,000
Class A-2 Notes	U.S. \$ 56,000,000
Class B Notes	U.S. \$ 39,500,000
Class C-1 Notes	U.S. \$ 21,000,000
Class C-2 Notes	U.S. \$ 5,000,000 <sup>1</sup>
Income Notes	U.S. \$ 82,000,000 <sup>2</sup>
Total Notes Debt	U.S. \$ 265,500,000
Ordinary Shares	U.S. \$ 1,000
Total Notes and Ordinary Shares Capitalization	U.S. \$ 265,501,000
Class Q-1 Securities	U.S. \$ 10,000,000 <sup>3</sup>
Class Q-2A Securities	U.S. \$ 7,200,000 <sup>4</sup>
Class Q-2B Securities	U.S. \$ 40,000,000 <sup>4</sup>

1 Including U.S. \$5,000,000 initial Aggregate Principal Amount of Class C-2 Notes represented by the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component of the Class Q-1 Securities.

2 Including U.S. \$5,000,000 Aggregate Principal Amount of the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-1 Income Note Component of the Class Q-1 Securities and U.S. \$25,000,000 Aggregate Principal Amount of Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A.

3 Including U.S. \$5,000,000 initial Aggregate Principal Amount of Class C-2 Notes represented by the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component of the Class Q-1 Securities and U.S. \$5,000,000 Aggregate Principal Amount of the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-1 Income Note Component of the Class Q-1 Securities.

4 Secured by the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral, including U.S. \$25,000,000 Aggregate Principal Amount of the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A.

### **Capitalization of the Co-Issuer**

The Co-Issuer will be capitalized only to the extent of its common equity of U.S. \$100 which will be held in charitable trust by the Share Trustee, together with the Issuer's Ordinary Shares under the terms of the declaration of trust described above. *See "—The Issuer."* The Co-Issuer will have no assets other than its equity capital and will have no debt other than as Co-Issuer of the Senior Notes. The Co-Issuer has no indebtedness for borrowed money other than indebtedness incurred pursuant to the Indenture and described herein. The Co-Issuer may incur debt in the future only in compliance with and pursuant to the terms of the Indenture.

### **The Administrator**

Certain administrative functions in the Cayman Islands will be performed on behalf of the Issuer by Walkers SPV Limited, the Administrator. Such functions include communications with holders of the Ordinary Shares and the general public and other services. The Administrator provides similar services to various other Cayman Islands entities. In consideration of the foregoing, the Administrator will receive various fees payable by the Issuer. The Administrator's address is Walkers SPV Limited, P.O. Box 908GT, Walker House, Mary Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands.

The Administrator may resign or be terminated upon 30 days' prior written notice to the Issuer, in the case of resignation, or to the Administrator, in the case of termination. Upon the occurrence of either such event, the Issuer will promptly appoint a successor Administrator.



## DESCRIPTION OF THE SECURITIES

*The following summaries generally describe certain provisions of the Securities, the Indenture, the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Investment Agreement. The summaries do not purport to be complete and are subject to, and are qualified in their entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Securities, the Indenture, the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Investment Agreement, each of which is incorporated herein by reference.*

### General

The Notes will be issued pursuant to the Indenture. The Indenture limits the principal amount of Notes that can be issued thereunder to (i) U.S. \$62,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Class A-1 Notes, (ii) U.S. \$56,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Class A-2 Notes, (iii) U.S. \$39,500,000 aggregate principal amount of the Class B Notes, (iv) U.S. \$21,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Class C-1 Notes, (v) U.S. \$5,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Class C-2 Notes and (vi) U.S. \$82,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Income Notes.

### Payments

The Senior Notes will accrue interest on the outstanding principal amount thereof from the Closing Date at the rates described under “—*The Senior Notes*,” which will, subject to the availability of funds and to the Priority of Payments, be payable quarterly on the first day of each February, May, August and November of each year beginning on and including February 1, 2005 and ending on the earlier of the date of redemption or repayment in full and the Maturity Date, or if any such date is not a Business Day, then on the next succeeding Business Day (each such date, a “Payment Date”). The Income Notes will not bear a stated rate of interest but will be entitled to receive distributions on each Payment Date if and to the extent funds are available for such purpose after all interest and other payments due on the Senior Notes and all other payments and expenses of the Issuers have been paid, in each case pursuant to the Priority of Payments. See “—*The Income Notes*.”

Except as provided below, no principal will be payable in respect of any Class of Senior Notes until the Maturity Date. Following the end of the Portfolio Modification Period, on each Payment Date principal proceeds of Eligible Investments in the Trust Estate in an amount equal to any Note Redemption Amount for that Payment Date will be used to redeem the Senior Notes and make certain other payments in accordance with the Principal Priority of Payments.

In addition, the principal amount of each Class of Senior Notes, starting with the most senior Class, will be redeemed on each Payment Date following the Ramp-up End Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments in the event any Coverage Test is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date, to the extent necessary to satisfy such test, or if the rating of any Class of Senior Notes as of the Closing Date has not been confirmed as of the 30<sup>th</sup> day following the Ramp-up End Date, until such rating is confirmed. Furthermore, the principal amount of the Class B Notes and Class C Notes will be redeemed if the Diversion Test is not satisfied as of the Determination Date related to any Payment Date after the Ramp-up End Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Such redemption will be made from amounts available at the applicable level of the Priority of Payments, reducing the amounts available for payment at lower levels of the Priority of Payments.

In addition, after the date which is five and a half years following the Closing Date, the Holders of at least 66 2/3% in Aggregate Principal Amount of the Income Notes may vote to cause the redemption (an “Optional Redemption”) of all Outstanding Notes (and in connection therewith to cause the Trustee to liquidate the Eligible Investments in the Trust Estate), in which case the Swap Agreement will also terminate; *provided* that the proceeds of such liquidation would be sufficient to permit the payment of all Administrative Expenses and Subordinated Administrative Expenses and all amounts due to the Swap Counterparty (calculated taking into account all accrued and deferred Base Amounts, Subordinate Amounts and Incentive Amounts, to the extent provided in the Swap Agreement) and the repayment in full of the principal amount of all Classes of Senior Notes then Outstanding and all accrued and unpaid interest (including any Deferred Interest) with respect thereto to the Optional Redemption Date and any applicable unpaid Extension Bonus Payments, if any, in accordance with the Priority of Payments together with, in the case of the Class C-2 Notes, the applicable Make-whole Premium.

Holders of the Income Notes will not be entitled to a return of a stated principal amount or to receive distributions at a stated rate on any Payment Date. Only funds remaining after payment of all amounts payable under the Priority of Payments listed in “—*Priority of Payments*” prior to payments on the Income Notes will be paid to the Holders of the Income Notes on each Payment Date (including the Maturity Date) as described herein.

The principal of and interest on the Senior Notes, and the distributions on the Income Notes, will be payable in U.S. dollars. The Record Date for each Payment Date will be the close of business on the fifteenth day prior to such Payment Date (or, if such day is not a Business Day, the close of business on the next Business Day). Except as otherwise provided herein, payments of principal of and interest on and any other amount payable on or in respect of the Senior Notes (other than the Class C-2 Notes represented by the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component) and Class Q-1 Reg S Global Securities will be made on each Payment Date by wire transfer to DTC or its nominees as the registered owner thereof in accordance with wiring instructions provided to the appropriate Paying Agent. All payments on Certificated Securities will be made by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a U.S. dollar account maintained by the Holder of a Certificated Security or its nominee or, if a wire transfer cannot be effected for whatever reason, by a U.S. dollar check delivered to such Holder or its nominee by mail.

The remaining principal amount, if any, of and interest on the Senior Notes and any final distribution, if any, on the Income Notes will be paid at maturity upon surrender of such Notes at the office of any Paying Agent designated for such purpose under the Indenture. The interest payable at maturity on the Senior Notes will be paid to the Person to whom the principal of such Note will be paid.

Payments of the principal of and interest on a Rule 144A Global Note, Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Regulation S Global Note (including Class Q-1 Reg S Global Securities) will be made to DTC or its nominee, as the registered owner thereof. The Issuers, the Trustee and any Paying Agent will not have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests in a Global Note (including Class Q-1 Reg S Global Securities) or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to such beneficial ownership interests.

#### The Senior Notes

The Class A-1 Notes will accrue interest at the Class A-1 Interest Rate, the Class A-2 Notes will accrue interest at the Class A-2 Interest Rate, the Class B Notes will accrue interest at the Class B Interest Rate, the Class C-1 Notes will accrue interest at the Class C-1 Interest Rate and the Class C-2 Notes will accrue interest at the Class C-2 Interest Rate.

The Senior Notes will provide for the payment of the applicable Interest Amount on each Payment Date. Interest on the Senior Notes will accrue from and including the Closing Date and will be payable quarterly in arrears on each Payment Date to the Holders of the Senior Notes as of the related Record Date. Interest on the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C-1 Notes will be computed for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period on the basis of a 360-day year and the actual number of days in the applicable Periodic Interest Accrual Period. Interest on the Class C-2 Notes will be computed for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

Interest on the Class B Notes and Class C Notes (including interest on Deferred Interest (as defined below) on such Notes) will only be due and payable to the extent that funds are available for such payment in accordance with the operation of the Priority of Payments as described herein, and (except on the Maturity Date or the date of redemption in full of the Class B Notes or Class C Notes) the failure to pay any such interest because such funds are not available will not be an Event of Default under the Indenture so long as any more senior Class of Notes is then outstanding. Instead, the amount of any interest that is not paid on the Notes of either such Class on any Payment Date will be deferred, and such amounts (“Deferred Interest”) will bear interest at the interest rate for the Notes of such Class. Interest accrued on Deferred Interest for any such Class of Notes for any Periodic Interest Accrual Period will be payable as current interest on the Notes of such Class on the related Payment Date and, to the extent not paid on such Payment Date, will constitute additional Deferred Interest in respect of such Class. Deferred Interest on the Notes of any such Class will be due and payable on the earlier of (i) the first Payment Date on which funds are available and permitted to be used for such purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments and (ii) the Maturity Date of the Notes of such Class (or, if earlier, the date of redemption in full of the Notes of such

Class). See “—*The Indenture and the Collateral Administration Agreement—Events of Default*” for a description of when such non-payment constitutes an Event of Default under the Indenture and the available remedies.

Subject to the availability of funds and to the Priority of Payments, the Senior Notes, unless previously redeemed, will provide for the payment of outstanding principal, if any, on the Maturity Date. See “—*Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities and Extension of Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities.*”

The Class A-2 Notes are subordinate to the Class A-1 Notes in right of payment of interest and principal. No interest will be payable in respect of the Class A-2 Notes on any Payment Date unless the full amount of interest due in respect of the Class A-1 Notes has been paid on such Payment Date and no principal will be payable in respect of the Class A-2 Notes unless the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1 Notes has been paid in full. The Class B Notes are subordinate to the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes in right of payment of interest and principal. No interest will be payable in respect of the Class B Notes on any Payment Date unless the full amount of interest due in respect of the Class A-1 Notes and Class A-2 Notes has been paid on such Payment Date and, except where the Diversion Test is not satisfied, no principal will be payable in respect of the Class B Notes unless the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes has been paid in full. The Class C Notes are subordinate to the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes in right of payment of interest and principal. No interest will be payable in respect of the Class C Notes on any Payment Date unless the full amount of interest due in respect of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes (except in the case of certain Deferred Interest on the Class B Notes) has been paid on such Payment Date and, except where the Diversion Test is not satisfied, no principal will be payable in respect of the Class C Notes unless the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes has been paid in full. The Class C-1 Notes and the Class C-2 Notes rank *pari passu* in right of payment of interest and principal. If the Diversion Test is not satisfied, first Deferred Interest, if any, on the Class B Notes and Class C Notes will be payable on a pro rata basis and then principal of the Class B Notes and Class C Notes will be payable on a pro rata basis in accordance with the Payment Date Priority of Payments, whether or not the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1 Notes and Class A-2 Notes has been paid in full.

If a Coverage Test for any Class of Senior Notes is not satisfied as of the Determination Date related to a Payment Date following the Ramp-up End Date, amounts available at the level of the Priority of Payments at which such Coverage Test is applied will be used to redeem Senior Notes on such Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments to the extent necessary to satisfy such Coverage Tests, thereby reducing amounts available for payments at lower levels of the Priority of Payments. See “—*Priority of Payments*” and “—*The Coverage Tests.*”

#### Determination of LIBOR

For purposes of determining the Class A-1 Interest Rate, the Class A-2 Interest Rate, the Class B Interest Rate, the Class C-1 Interest Rate and the Class Q-2A Interest Rate, the Issuers will appoint the Trustee as calculation agent (in such capacity, the “Indenture Calculation Agent”). For each Periodic Interest Accrual Period (other than the first Periodic Interest Accrual Period), LIBOR shall be determined by the Indenture Calculation Agent in accordance with the following provisions:

(1) On the second Business Day on which commercial banks are open for dealings in deposits in U.S. Dollars in the London interbank market (a “London Business Day”) prior to the commencement of a Periodic Interest Accrual Period (each such day, a “LIBOR Determination Date”), LIBOR shall equal the rate, as obtained by the Indenture Calculation Agent for three-month U.S. dollar deposits in Europe, which appears on Telerate Page 3750 (as defined in the Annex to the 2000 ISDA Definitions) as reported by Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News, or such page as may replace such Telerate Page 3750, as of 11:00 a.m. (London time) on such LIBOR Determination Date.

(2) If, on any LIBOR Determination Date, such rate does not appear on Telerate Page 3750, or such page as may replace such Telerate Page 3750, the Indenture Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks to leading banks in the London interbank market for three-month U.S. dollar deposits in Europe in an amount determined by the Indenture Calculation Agent by reference to requests for quotations as of approximately 11:00 a.m. (London time) on such LIBOR Determination Date. If, on any LIBOR Determination Date, at least two of the Reference Banks provide such quotations, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean of such quotations. If, on any

LIBOR Determination Date, only one or none of the Reference Banks provides such quotations, LIBOR shall be deemed to be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that leading banks in New York City selected by the Indenture Calculation Agent are quoting on the relevant LIBOR Determination Date for three-month U.S. Dollar deposits in Europe in an amount determined by the Indenture Calculation Agent by reference to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market; *provided, however*, that if the Indenture Calculation Agent is required but is unable to determine a rate in accordance with at least one of the procedures provided above, LIBOR shall be determined by the Indenture Calculation Agent in a commercially reasonable manner.

As soon as reasonably possible after 11:00 a.m. (London time) on each LIBOR Determination Date, but in no event later than 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the Business Day immediately following each LIBOR Determination Date, the Indenture Calculation Agent will cause the Class A-1 Interest Rate, the Class A-2 Interest Rate, the Class B Interest Rate, the Class C-1 Interest Rate and the Class Q-2A Interest Rate for the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period, and the amount of interest for such Periodic Interest Accrual Period payable in respect of each U.S. \$100,000 by Aggregate Principal Amount of each such Class of Securities (rounded to the nearest cent, with half a cent being rounded upward) on such related Payment Date to be provided to the Issuers, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Paying Agents, the Irish Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class of Securities is listed thereon), and, if applicable, Euroclear and Clearstream. The Indenture Calculation Agent will also specify to the Issuers the quotations upon which the Class A-1 Interest Rate, the Class A-2 Interest Rate, the Class B Interest Rate, the Class C-1 Interest Rate and the Class Q-2A Interest Rate are based, and in any event, the Indenture Calculation Agent shall notify the Issuers before 5:00 p.m. (London time) on each LIBOR Determination Date that either: (i) it has determined or is in the process of determining the Class A-1 Interest Rate, the Class A-2 Interest Rate, the Class B Interest Rate, the Class C-1 Interest Rate and the Class Q-2A Interest Rate and the Interest Amount for each such Class of Notes, or (ii) it has not determined and is not in the process of determining the Class A-1 Interest Rate, the Class A-2 Interest Rate, the Class B Interest Rate, the Class C-1 Interest Rate and the Class Q-2A Interest Rate and the Interest Amount for each such Class of Securities, together with its reasons therefor. The determination of the Class A-1 Interest Rate, the Class A-2 Interest Rate, the Class B Interest Rate, the Class C-1 Interest Rate and the Class Q-2A Interest Rate by the Indenture Calculation Agent shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding upon all parties.

LIBOR with respect to the Periodic Interest Accrual Period beginning on the Closing Date will be 1.88230% per annum.

#### The Income Notes

The Income Notes will not be entitled to a return of a stated principal amount or to receive distributions at a stated rate. The Holders of the Income Notes will be entitled to distributions only to the extent that there are funds available under the Indenture in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

The Income Notes are subordinated to the Senior Notes and other creditors of the Issuers as provided in the Priority of Payments. No Net Income Note Periodic Return Amount will be payable in respect of the Income Notes unless the full amount of interest due and all other payments with respect to all Senior Notes and all other payments and expenses of the Issuers have been paid on such Payment Date pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments and no Income Note Principal Distribution Amount or Final Income Note Distribution Amount, as applicable, will be payable in respect of the Income Notes unless the full amount of interest due on all Senior Notes and the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Senior Notes has been paid in full and all other payments and expenses of the Issuers have been paid on such Payment Date pursuant to the Principal Priority of Payments.

On each Payment Date, Holders of the Income Notes will receive the Net Income Note Periodic Return Amount, if any. Following the redemption in full of the Senior Notes, Holders of Income Notes will receive payments on each Payment Date (other than the Maturity Date, the Optional Redemption Date or the Indenture Tax Redemption Date) in accordance with the Principal Priority of Payments in an amount not exceeding the Note Redemption Amount for that Payment Date (an "Income Note Principal Distribution Amount").

On the Maturity Date (or, if applicable, the Optional Redemption Date or the Indenture Tax Redemption Date), Holders of the Income Notes will receive the Final Income Note Distribution Amount, if any, as described under Principal Priority of Payments below.

Indenture Tax Event

Upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an Indenture Tax Event, the Issuer, at the direction of the Holders of a majority in Aggregate Principal Amount of the Income Notes, will on the next Payment Date (or, if such direction is received less than 45 Business Days prior to a Payment Date, on the next Payment Date thereafter) (the “Indenture Tax Redemption Date”) redeem (an “Indenture Tax Redemption”) the Outstanding Notes, in whole but not in part, in the case of the Senior Notes, at a price of par plus any accrued and unpaid interest thereon (including any Deferred Interest) to the Indenture Tax Redemption Date; *provided*, that the Swap Counterparty has consented to such redemption in its sole discretion and that the proceeds of such liquidation would be sufficient to permit the payment of all Accrued Swap Liabilities, the repayment of the principal amount of all Classes of Senior Notes then Outstanding and all accrued and unpaid interest (including any Deferred Interest) with respect thereto to the Indenture Tax Redemption Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments and all other amounts ranking senior to the Income Notes payable pursuant to the Priority of Payments.

**Priority of Payments**Payment Date Priority of Payments

On each Payment Date, the Trustee will use the total of (i) the net amount, if any, paid by the Swap Counterparty in respect of the Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amount and the Fixed Amount for such Payment Date, (ii) interest and dividends received with respect to Eligible Investments in the Trust Accounts (including interest and dividends received on amounts on deposit in the Collateral Account) during the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period, (iii) on the first Payment Date only, all amounts deposited into the Collection Account from the Expense Reserve Account pursuant to the Indenture, and (iv) principal proceeds of Eligible Investments and other amounts on deposit in the Collateral Account, but in the case of this clause (iv) only (A) to the extent of the Quarterly Aggregate Reduction Amount, if any, for that date, and (B) without duplication of clause (A), to the extent other funds are not otherwise available (but in the case of (B) solely for purposes of making payments pursuant to clauses (2) and (13) below (*provided* that no amount pursuant to this clause (iv) will be used to make payments as provided in clause (13) below unless all of the Senior Notes have been retired)) (collectively, “Payment Date Proceeds”) to make the following payments in the following order of priority (the “Payment Date Priority of Payments”):

1. to the payment of any accrued and unpaid Administrative Expenses (in the order set forth in the definition thereof) up to the Expense Cap Amount;
2. (a) to the Swap Counterparty, the net amount, if any, payable to the Swap Counterparty under the Swap Agreement on such date in respect of the Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amount, the Fixed Amount and any Swap Termination Payment due to the Swap Counterparty (except any Swap Termination Payment due to the Swap Counterparty upon the early termination of the Swap Agreement as a result of a Swap Event of Default as to which the Swap Counterparty is the defaulting party or as a result of a Swap Additional Termination Event, and excluding any Swap Termination Payment previously paid in accordance with the Indenture), and any such net amounts not paid from prior Payment Dates and (b) to the Collateral Account, an amount equal to the Quarterly Aggregate Increase Amount, if any, for such Payment Date.
3. to the Holders of Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-1 Interest Amount;
4. to the Holders of Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-2 Interest Amount;
5. following the Ramp-up End Date, if any Class A-1 Notes or Class A-2 Notes are then Outstanding and if either the Class A OC Test or the Class A Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date, to the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1 Notes, and following the redemption of all Class A-1 Notes, to the Holders of the Class A-2 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2 Notes, such that such tests are satisfied as of the related Determination Date;

6. to the Holders of the Class B Notes, the Class B Interest Amount;
7. following the Ramp-up End Date, if any Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes or Class B Notes are then Outstanding and if either the Class B OC Test or the Class B Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date, to the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1 Notes, and following the redemption of all Class A-1 Notes, to the Holders of the Class A-2 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2 Notes, and following the redemption of all Class A-2 Notes, to the Holders of the Class B Notes, first, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes and then, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B Notes, such that such tests are satisfied as of the related Determination Date;
8. to the Holders of the Class B Notes, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes;
9. on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes, the Class C-1 Interest Amount and to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes, the Class C-2 Interest Amount;
10. following the Ramp-up End Date, if any Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes, Class B Notes or Class C Notes are then Outstanding and if either the Class C OC Test or the Class C Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date, to the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1 Notes, and following the redemption of all Class A-1 Notes, to the Holders of the Class A-2 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2 Notes, and following the redemption of all Class A-2 Notes, to the Holders of the Class B Notes, first, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes and then, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B Notes, and following the redemption of all Class B Notes, first, on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C-1 Notes and to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C-2 Notes and then, on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-1 Notes and to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-2 Notes, such that such tests are satisfied as of the related Determination Date;
11. on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C-1 Notes and to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C-2 Notes;
12. in the event that either Rating Agency has not confirmed in writing its rating in effect on the Closing Date on each Class of Senior Notes as of the 30<sup>th</sup> day following the Ramp-up End Date, to the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1 Notes and, following the redemption of all Class A-1 Notes, to the Holders of the Class A-2 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2 Notes and, following the redemption of all Class A-2 Notes, to the Holders of the Class B Notes, first, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes and then, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B Notes, and following the redemption of all Class B Notes, first, on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C-1 Notes and to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C-2 Notes and then, on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-1 Notes and to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-2 Notes, until each such rating is confirmed;
13. to the Swap Counterparty, any Swap Termination Payment due to it upon the early termination of the Swap Agreement as a result of a Swap Event of Default as to which the Swap Counterparty is the defaulting party or as a result of a Swap Additional Termination Event, and excluding any Swap Termination Payment previously paid in accordance with the Indenture;

14. following the Ramp-up End Date, if any Class B Notes or Class C Notes are then Outstanding and if the Diversion Test is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date, an amount equal to 50% of the remaining Payment Date Proceeds, (i) first, on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class B Notes, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C-1 Notes and to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C-2 Notes, and (ii) then, on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class B Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B Notes, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-1 Notes and to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-2 Notes;
15. to the payment first of any accrued and unpaid Administrative Expenses (in the order set forth in the definition thereof) to the extent not paid pursuant to clause (1) above and then, to the payment of any accrued and unpaid Subordinated Administrative Expenses;
16. to the payment of any unpaid Extension Bonus Payments (i) first, to the applicable Holders of Class A-1 Notes, (ii) then, to the applicable Holders of Class A-2 Notes, (iii) then, to the applicable Holders of Class B Notes, and (iv) then, on a pro rata basis, to the applicable Holders of Class C-1 Notes and the applicable Holders of Class C-2 Notes; and
17. the remainder, to the Holders of the Income Notes (the "Net Income Note Periodic Return Amount").

The Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amount and Fixed Amount will be as described in "*Description of the Swap Agreement—Payments Under the Swap Agreement.*" As described above, if the net amount payable under the Swap Agreement in respect of the Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amount and Fixed Amount for any Payment Date is payable by the Swap Counterparty, the proceeds thereof will be used to make payments in accordance with the Payment Date Priority of Payments (and no amount will be paid to the Swap Counterparty pursuant to clause 2 of the Payment Date Priority of Payments on that Payment Date). If such net amount is payable by the Issuer to the Swap Counterparty, it will be paid pursuant to clause 2 of the Priority of Payments.

#### Principal Priority of Payments

On (A) the Maturity Date, the Optional Redemption Date or the Indenture Tax Redemption Date and (B) each other Payment Date on which Senior Notes are to be redeemed or, after all Senior Notes are redeemed, an Income Note Principal Distribution Amount is to be paid on the Income Notes, the Trustee will distribute the principal proceeds of Eligible Investments in the Trust Accounts (after payment of any amounts payable therefrom pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments as described above, and in the case of a partial redemption of Senior Notes or Income Note Principal Distribution Amounts pursuant to this clause (B), using principal proceeds in an amount not to exceed the Note Redemption Amount for such date), and in the case of the Maturity Date, the Optional Redemption Date or the Indenture Tax Redemption Date, any other amounts on deposit in the Trust Accounts to make the following payments in the following order of priority (the "Principal Priority of Payments"):

1. to the payment of any accrued and unpaid Administrative Expenses (in the order set forth in the definition thereof) up to the Expense Cap Amount, to the extent not paid pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments;
2. to the Swap Counterparty, the net amount, if any, payable to the Swap Counterparty under the Swap Agreement on such date in respect of the Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amount, the Fixed Amount and any Swap Termination Payment due to the Swap Counterparty (except any Swap Termination Payment due to the Swap Counterparty upon the early termination of the Swap Agreement as a result of a Swap Event of Default as to which the Swap Counterparty is the defaulting party or as a result of a Swap Additional Termination Event), and any such net amounts not paid from prior Payment Dates, in any case to the extent not paid pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments or otherwise previously paid in accordance with the Indenture;

3. to the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes, any accrued and unpaid Class A-1 Interest Amount, to the extent not paid pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments;
4. to the Holders of the Class A-2 Notes, any accrued and unpaid Class A-2 Interest Amount, to the extent not paid pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments;
5. following the Ramp-up End Date, if any Class A-1 Notes or Class A-2 Notes are then Outstanding and if either the Class A OC Test or the Class A Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date, to the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1 Notes, and, following the redemption of all Class A-1 Notes, to the Holders of the Class A-2 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2 Notes, such that such tests are satisfied as of the related Determination Date;
6. to the Holders of the Class B Notes, any accrued and unpaid Class B Interest Amount, to the extent not paid pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments;
7. following the Ramp-up End Date, if any Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes or Class B Notes are then Outstanding and if either the Class B OC Test or the Class B Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date, to the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1 Notes, and following the redemption of all Class A-1 Notes, to the Holders of the Class A-2 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2 Notes, and following the redemption of all Class A-2 Notes, to the Holders of the Class B Notes, first, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes and then, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B Notes, such that such tests are satisfied as of the related Determination Date;
8. on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes, the accrued and unpaid Class C-1 Interest Amount and to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes, the accrued and unpaid Class C-2 Interest Amount, to the extent not paid pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments;
9. following the Ramp-up End Date, if any Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes, Class B Notes or Class C Notes are then Outstanding and if either the Class C OC Test or the Class C Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date, to the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1 Notes, and following the redemption of all Class A-1 Notes, to the Holders of the Class A-2 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2 Notes, and following the redemption of all Class A-2 Notes, to the Holders of the Class B Notes, first, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes and then, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B Notes, and following the redemption of all Class B Notes, first, on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C-1 Notes and to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C-2 Notes and then, on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-1 Notes and to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-2 Notes, such that such tests are satisfied as of the related Determination Date;
10. to the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1 Notes;
11. to the Holders of the Class A-2 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2 Notes;
12. to the Holders of the Class B Notes, any accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes, to the extent not paid pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments;
13. to the Holders of the Class B Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B Notes;
14. on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes, any accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C-1 Notes and to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes, any accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C-2 Notes, to the extent not paid pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments;



15. on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-1 Notes and to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-2 Notes, and, in the case of the Optional Redemption Date, the Make-whole Premium in respect of the Class C-2 Notes;
16. to the Swap Counterparty, any Swap Termination Payment due to it upon the early termination of the Swap Agreement as a result of a Swap Event of Default as to which the Swap Counterparty is the defaulting party or as a result of a Swap Additional Termination Event, to the extent not paid pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments or otherwise previously paid in accordance with the Indenture;
17. to the payment first of accrued and unpaid Administrative Expenses (in the order set forth in the definition thereof) to the extent not paid pursuant to clause (1) above or pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments and then, to the payment of accrued and unpaid Subordinated Administrative Expenses to the extent not paid pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments;
18. to the payment of any unpaid Extension Bonus Payments (i) first, to the applicable Holders of Class A-1 Notes, (ii) then, to the qualifying Holders of Class A-2 Notes, (iii) then, to the qualifying Holders of Class B Notes, and (iv) then, on a pro rata basis, to the qualifying Holders of Class C-1 Notes and the applicable Holders of Class C-2 Notes, to the extent not paid pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments; and
19. to the Holders of the Income Notes, (a) on any Payment Date (other than the Maturity Date, the Optional Redemption Date or Indenture Tax Redemption Date), the remainder as an Income Note Principal Distribution Amount (the "Income Note Principal Distribution Amount") or (b) on the Maturity Date, Optional Redemption Date or Indenture Tax Redemption Date, the remainder as the "Final Income Note Distribution Amount."

Pro rata payments of principal among *pari passu* Notes will be based upon the principal amount of such Notes outstanding on the date of payment, and pro rata payments of interest (and any Extension Bonus Payments) among *pari passu* Classes of Notes shall be based upon the amount of interest (or Extension Bonus Payments, as applicable) payable on such Notes on the date of payment. Determinations to be made within the Priority of Payments will be made giving effect to the payment of all amounts to be paid prior to the clause that requires the determination, and all payments made pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments on any Payment Date will be deemed to be made prior to all payments, if any, to be made on such Payment Date pursuant to the Principal Priority of Payments. Payments with respect to any Class of Notes will be made to all Holders of Notes of such Class on a pro rata basis based on each Holder's holding of such Notes.

#### **Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities and Extension of Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities**

Unless previously redeemed or extended as described below, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Senior Notes is scheduled to be repaid, and the final distribution on the Income Notes is scheduled to be made, on August 1, 2016, in accordance with the Principal Priority of Payments. On the Maturity Date, the Trustee will combine all of the moneys in the Trust Accounts and distribute such moneys in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

##### Extension of Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities

Under the Indenture, if the term of the Swap Agreement is extended (which requires the Extension Conditions to be satisfied), the maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities will automatically be equally extended without any requirement for approval or consent of any holders of Securities or amendment or supplement to the Indenture (the "Maturity Extension").

Under the Swap Agreement, the Swap Counterparty may, at its option, on the Payment Date in August 2009 (the "Extension Effective Date") extend the Portfolio Modification Period for four years to August 1, 2015 and correspondingly extend the term of the Swap Agreement for four years to August 1, 2020, subject to the satisfaction of the Extension Conditions. See "Description of the Swap Agreement—Extension of the Swap Agreement."

As a condition to a Maturity Extension, any holder of Notes or Class Q-1 Securities wishing to sell such Securities ("Extension Sale Securities") to one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Swap Counterparty or any of its affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Swap Counterparty (or its affiliate) (each an "Extension Qualifying Purchaser") on the Extension Effective Date at the applicable Extension Purchase Price pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period.

The extension of the Portfolio Modification Period, the term of the Swap Agreement and the maturity of the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities will be conditioned on satisfaction of the following requirements ("Extension Conditions"): (i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the Extension Effective Date, (ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions in the Indenture and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (iii) (x) Rating Confirmation has been obtained from S&P (so long as any Securities are then rated by S&P) (which confirmation shall be based on S&P's applicable rating criteria and models pursuant to which the applicable Securities were rated by S&P as of the Closing Date) and (y) either (A) all Coverage Tests and clauses 17, 18 and 22 of the Reference Portfolio Criteria are satisfied as of the Extension Determination Date and the rating of each Class of Senior Notes by Moody's has not been downgraded, withdrawn or qualified from that in effect on the Closing Date (unless it subsequently has been reinstated to the rating assigned on the Closing Date) or (B) Rating Confirmation has been obtained from Moody's (so long as any Securities are then rated by Moody's).

No Extension Sale Securities will be purchased unless all Extension Sale Securities are purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the Extension Effective Date and the other Extension Conditions are satisfied. Pursuant to the Extension Conditions, if not all Extension Sale Securities are so purchased and settled, none of the Portfolio Modification Period, the term of the Swap Agreement or the maturity of the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities will be extended. The Swap Counterparty will not be responsible for causing the Extension Conditions to be satisfied and will not be liable to any holder of Securities (whether or not such holder gave an Extension Sale Notice with respect to its Notes or Class Q-1 Securities) or to any other Person if the Extension Conditions are not satisfied. Failure of the Extension Conditions to be satisfied will not constitute a default or Event of Default under the Indenture or a Swap Event of Default.

If all Extension Conditions are satisfied and a Maturity Extension with respect to the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities is effected, each beneficial owner of Senior Notes held (including in the form of the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component) other than Extension Sale Securities will be entitled to receive a single payment in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Class A-1 Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by that beneficial owner as of the Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class A-2 Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by that beneficial owner as of the Extension Effective Date, (3) in the case of the Class B Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by that beneficial owner and (4) in the case of the Class C Notes, 0.50% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by that beneficial owner as of the Extension Effective Date (each an "Extension Bonus Payment"). Holders of Income Notes will not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment. The Extension Bonus Payment will be payable on the first Payment Date from and including the Extension Effective Date on which funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments, but in any event, no later than the Maturity Date and the date of redemption of such Notes. Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments on a Payment Date will not be considered due and payable. The failure to pay Extension Bonus Payments will not be an Event of Default under the Indenture, unless the Issuer fails to pay in full the Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Maturity Date and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Securities. Payment of Extension Bonus Payments will be made on any Payment Date solely to qualifying beneficial owners who have provided to the Trustee an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification, to the accounts designated in the applicable Extension Bonus Eligibility Certifications or, to the extent otherwise required by the rules of any applicable securities exchange or clearing agency, in a manner determined by the Issuer.

### Extension and Extension Sale Procedure

The Swap Counterparty will be required to give notice of its election to extend the Portfolio Modification Period and the Swap Termination Date (the “Extension Notice”) to the Issuer and the Trustee no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to the Extension Effective Date.

No later than 3 Business Days following receipt of the Extension Notice, the Trustee will forward the Extension Notice to all holders of Securities.

Any holder of Notes and Class Q-1 Securities may give irrevocable notice (an “Extension Sale Notice”) within 30 days after the Trustee has sent the Extension Notice (the “Extension Sale Notice Period”) of its intention to sell its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. No holder of Notes and Class Q-1 Securities that has not given an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period will be entitled to sell its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension.

On the 8<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the Extension Effective Date (the “Extension Determination Date”), the Swap Counterparty and the Issuer (or its agent) will confirm (i) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase the Extension Sale Securities in compliance with all transfer restrictions in the Indenture and the legends on such Securities and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (ii) whether the requirements of clause (iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the Extension Determination Date and (iii) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the Extension Effective Date.

On the Extension Effective Date, it is expected that Extension Sale Securities will be purchased by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers for the applicable Extension Purchase Price. If all Extension Conditions are satisfied, on the Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension will become effective under the terms of the Indenture. No Extension Sale Securities of any holder will be purchased unless all Extension Sale Securities are purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the Extension Effective Date and the other Extension Conditions are satisfied. If not all Extension Sale Securities are so purchased and settled or any other Extension Condition is not satisfied, none of the Portfolio Modification Period, the term of the Swap Agreement or the maturity of the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities will be extended.

### **Amendment Buy-Out**

In the case of any amendment to the Indenture or the Swap Agreement that requires the consent of one or more holders of Notes or Class Q-1 Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser will have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-consenting Holders all Notes and Class Q-1 Securities held by such holders of the Class of Securities whose consent was solicited with respect to such amendment to the Indenture or Swap Agreement, as applicable (the “Amendment Buy-Out Option”).

The purchase price for such Notes and Class Q-1 Securities will be (1) in the case of the Senior Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof, plus accrued interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) to the date of purchase which is not otherwise paid or payable to the Non-consenting Holder, plus, any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment, if any, plus, in the case of the Class C-2 Notes, the applicable Make-whole Premium, (2) in the case of the Income Notes, an amount that, together with any amounts paid to the Non-consenting Holder with respect to those Income Notes from the Closing Date to and including the purchase date (and any amounts payable, if any, to the Non-consenting Holder on the next succeeding Payment Date) results in an internal rate of return with respect to those Income Notes of 18% per annum and (3) in the case of the Class Q-1 Securities, based on the respective purchase prices for the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component and the Class Q-1 Income Note Component thereof, (the “Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price”). In any Amendment Buy-Out from and after the date on which the Non-consenting Holders of Income Notes have received (or would be expected to receive) an internal rate of return equal to or in excess of 18% per annum (determined as in clause (2) above), the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price for Income Notes will be zero.

If the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all applicable Notes and Class Q-1 Securities from all Non-consenting Holders, regardless of the applicable percentage of aggregate principal amount of the applicable Securities the consent of whose holders is required for the

amendment. If the solicited consent only affects one Component of a Class Q-1 Security, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase, at the Non-consenting Holder's option, its Class Q-1 Security as a whole or solely the affected Component.

The Class Q-2 Securities themselves are not subject to an Amendment Buy-Out, but the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A at the applicable purchase price, if the Holders of Class Q-2B Securities who pursuant to the Indenture have voting rights with respect to the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A would be deemed to be a Non-consenting Holder with respect to such Income Notes.

All purchases made pursuant to an Amendment Buy-Out individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions in the Indenture and the legends on such Securities and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

Under the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement, the Reference Portfolio Manager may request the Swap Counterparty to elect to effect an Amendment Buy-Out. The Swap Counterparty has agreed to follow such a request, subject to certain conditions.

### **The Coverage Tests**

The Coverage Tests are comprised of an Overcollateralization Test and an Interest Coverage Test for each Class of Senior Notes (with, for this purpose, the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes treated as single Class and the Class C-1 Notes and the Class C-2 Notes treated as a single Class). The Overcollateralization Tests will be satisfied if:

1. as of any Measurement Date on which any of the Class A-1 Notes or Class A-2 Notes are Outstanding, the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio equals or exceeds 157%, where the "Class A Overcollateralization Ratio" will equal the quotient obtained by dividing (a) the aggregate principal amount of all Eligible Investments in the Collateral Account (other than those representing an investment of interest proceeds of Eligible Investments) as of such date plus the Accrued Increase/Reduction Amount as of such date minus the sum of (1) an amount equal to the aggregate of the Default Adjustments for all Defaulted Reference Obligations and Deferring PIK Obligations as of such date and (2) the Outstanding Premium as of such date (the "OC Base Amount") by (b) the sum of the Aggregate Principal Amounts of the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-2 Notes as of such date (the "Class A OC Test");
2. as of any Measurement Date on which any Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes or Class B Notes are Outstanding, the Class B Overcollateralization Ratio equals or exceeds 133%, where the "Class B Overcollateralization Ratio" will equal the quotient obtained by dividing (a) the OC Base Amount as of such date by (b) the sum of the Aggregate Principal Amounts of the Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes and Class B Notes (together with any Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes) as of such date (the "Class B OC Test"); and
3. as of any Measurement Date on which any Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes, Class B Notes, Class C-1 Notes or Class C-2 Notes are Outstanding, the Class C Overcollateralization Ratio equals or exceeds 116%, where the "Class C Overcollateralization Ratio" will equal the quotient obtained by dividing (a) the OC Base Amount as of such date by (b) the sum of the Aggregate Principal Amounts of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C-1 Notes and the Class C-2 Notes (together with any Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes and Class C Notes) as of such date (the "Class C OC Test").

The Interest Coverage Tests will be satisfied if:

1. as of any Measurement Date on which any Class A-1 Notes or Class A-2 Notes are Outstanding, the Class A Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds 110%, where the "Class A Interest Coverage Ratio" will equal (x) the greater of (a) zero and (b) Net Interest Coverage Proceeds for

such date, divided by (y) the sum of the Class A-1 Interest Amount and the Class A-2 Interest Amount for the next following Payment Date (the “Class A Interest Coverage Test”);

2. as of any Measurement Date on which any Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes or Class B Notes are Outstanding, the Class B Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds 105%, where the “Class B Interest Coverage Ratio” will equal (x) the greater of (a) zero and (b) the Net Interest Coverage Proceeds for such date, divided by (y) the sum of the Class A-1 Interest Amount, the Class A-2 Interest Amount and the Class B Interest Amount for the next following Payment Date (the “Class B Interest Coverage Test”); and
3. as of any Measurement Date on which any Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes, Class B Notes or Class C Notes are Outstanding, the Class C Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds 100%, where the “Class C Interest Coverage Ratio” will equal (x) the greater of (a) zero and (b) the Net Interest Coverage Proceeds for such date, divided by (y) the sum of the Class A-1 Interest Amount, the Class A-2 Interest Amount, the Class B Interest Amount, the Class C-1 Interest Amount and the Class C-2 Interest Amount for the next following Payment Date (the “Class C Interest Coverage Test”).

For purposes of these tests, the addition or removal of a Reference Obligation will be effective if the relevant Addition Date or Removal Date has occurred on or prior to the Measurement Date.

If any Coverage Test is not satisfied as of any Determination Date related to a Payment Date following the Ramp-up End Date, amounts available in accordance with the Priority of Payments at that level of the Priority of Payments at which the Coverage Test is applied will be used on such Payment Date for the payment of the outstanding principal amount of the Senior Notes (and any Deferred Interest with respect thereto), starting with the most senior Class, to the extent necessary to satisfy all such Coverage Tests, and to that extent reduce the amount available for payments at lower levels in the Priority of Payments. Noncompliance with the Coverage Tests may also restrict the ability of the Reference Portfolio Manager to add or remove Reference Obligations under certain circumstances. See *“Description of the Swap Agreement—Selection and Modification of the Reference Portfolio.”* The failure of the Issuer to satisfy a Coverage Test will not be a default or an Event of Default under the Indenture.

### **The Diversion Test**

The “Diversion Test” will be satisfied as of the Determination Date related to any Payment Date following the Ramp-up End Date, if the Class C OC Test is satisfied as of such date, measured for this purpose as of the applicable Determination Date without giving effect to any payments made on the related Payment Date (including those made pursuant to any clause of the Priority of Payments ranking prior to the clause that provides for payments if the Diversion Test is not satisfied). If the Diversion Test is not satisfied on the Determination Date related to any such Payment Date, 50% of any amounts, if any, that would otherwise be used to pay Administrative Expenses in excess of the Expense Cap Amount, Subordinated Administrative Expenses, Extension Bonus Payments, if any, and a Net Income Note Periodic Return Amount to the Holders of the Income Notes will be used on such Payment Date in accordance with the Payment Date Priority of Payments for the payment of, first, on a pro rata basis, Deferred Interest, if any, with respect to the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes and then, on a pro rata basis, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B Notes and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C Notes (whether or not any Class A-1 Notes or Class A-2 Notes are then outstanding).

### **The Class Q-1 Securities**

The Class Q-1 Securities will be issued pursuant to the Indenture. The Class Q-1 Securities will consist of the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component and the Class Q-1 Income Note Component. The Class Q-1 Senior Note Component will represent an initial Aggregate Principal Amount of U.S. \$5,000,000 of Class C-2 Notes. The Class Q-1 Income Note Component will represent an Aggregate Principal Amount of U.S. \$5,000,000 of Income Notes. Each Class Q-1 Security is a single security, the Components of which are not separately transferable. However, a Holder may exchange its Class Q-1 Security with the Trustee for the corresponding interests in the related Components, as described below.

The initial Aggregate Principal Amounts of the Class C-2 Notes and Income Notes to which the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component and the Class Q-1 Income Note Component relate are included in (and are not in addition

to) the initial Aggregate Principal Amounts of the Class C-2 Notes and Income Notes. Each Class Q-1 Security represents an undivided beneficial ownership interest in the cash flows on the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component and the Class Q-1 Income Note Component.

The Class Q-1 Securities are scheduled to mature on August 1, 2016, unless the maturity is extended. *See “Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities and Extension of Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities” above.*

Except as described herein or unless the context otherwise requires, references herein to the Class C-2 Notes, Class C Notes or Senior Notes (or the Holders thereof) include the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component (or the Holders of the Class Q-1 Securities to the extent thereof), whether or not explicitly mentioned, and references to the Income Notes (or the Holders thereof) include the Class Q-1 Income Note Components (or the Holders of the Class Q-1 Securities to the extent thereof), whether or not explicitly mentioned.

On each Payment Date on which payments, whether of principal or interest, are made on the Class C-2 Notes or any distributions are made on the Income Notes, a portion of such payment will be allocated to the Class Q-1 Securities in the proportion that the principal amount of Notes comprising such Component bears to the principal amount of such Class of Notes as a whole (including all related Components). No other payments will be made on the Class Q-1 Securities.

The rating by Moody’s on the Class Q-1 Securities applies only to the return of the Class Q-1 Rated Principal. The Class Q-1 Nominal Rate does not limit the entitlement of Holders of Class Q-1 Securities to receive any applicable Class Q-1 Excess Distributions. All distributions made with respect to the Class Q-1 Securities will reduce the outstanding Class Q-1 Rated Principal until it is reduced to U.S. \$1.

The Holders of Class Q-1 Securities will be entitled to voting rights in each Class of Notes that is a Component, in the proportion that such Component bears to the principal amount of such Class of Notes as a whole (including such Component). The Holders of the Class Q-1 Securities will not be entitled to voting rights as a separate class, except in limited circumstances described in the Indenture.

Investors considering purchasing Class Q-1 Securities should consider carefully the discussions in this Offering Circular of the Class C-2 Notes and the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component and the Class Q-1 Income Note Component, as applicable, including the risk factors applicable thereto.

#### Exchange of Class Q-1 Securities

Pursuant to the Indenture, a Holder of a Class Q-1 Security may exchange all or a proportionate amount of each Component of such Class Q-1 Security for proportional interests in the Class C-2 Notes, in the form of a Rule 144A Global Note or a Regulation S Global Note (in the case of the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component) and a Certificated Income Note (in the case of the Class Q-1 Income Note Component), subject to the minimum denomination requirements applicable to the underlying Notes and any remaining portion of Class Q-1 Securities and in the manner described in the Indenture. Thereafter, the Holder of a beneficial interest in a Class Q-1 Security exchanged will be the Holder of the applicable Class C-2 Notes and the Income Notes, in each case received upon such exchange. No Holder of Class C-2 Notes or Income Notes (including a Holder that received such Class C-2 Notes or Income Notes upon an exchange of a Class Q-1 Security) will have the right to exchange such Class C-2 Notes and/or Income Notes for a Class Q-1 Security. No service charge will be made for any such exchange of Class Q-1 Securities, but the Issuer or the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection with such exchange. Following any such exchange, the rating of the exchanged Class Q-1 Securities by any Rating Agency may not apply to the Securities received in such exchange.

In an Amendment Buy-Out that affects only one Component of a Class Q-1 Security, the Non-Consenting Holder, at its option, may require the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase its Class Q-1 Security as a whole or may exchange its Class Q-1 Security into its Components and require the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase solely the affected Component. *See “Amendment Buy-Out” above.*

### **The Class Q-2 Securities**

The Class Q-2 Securities will be issued pursuant to the Indenture. The Indenture limits the principal amount of the Class Q-2 Securities to (i) U.S. \$7,200,000 aggregate principal amount of the Class Q-2A Securities and (ii) U.S. \$40,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Class Q-2B Securities. Payments on the Class Q-2 Securities will be made solely from the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral.

The Class Q-2A Securities will accrue interest at the Class Q-2A Interest Rate. The Class Q-2A Securities will provide for the payment of the Class Q-2A Interest Amount on each Payment Date. Interest on the Class Q-2A Securities will accrue from and including the Closing Date and will be payable quarterly in arrears on each Payment Date to the Holders of the Class Q-2A Securities as of the related Record Date. Interest on the Class Q-2A Securities will be computed for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period on the basis of a 360-day year and the actual number of days in the applicable Periodic Interest Accrual Period.

Interest on the Class Q-2A Securities (including interest on Class Q-2A Deferred Interest (as defined below) on such Q-2A Securities) will only be due and payable to the extent that funds are available for such payment in accordance with the operation of the Class Q-2 Priority of Payments as described herein, and the failure to pay any such interest because such funds are not available will not be a Class Q-2 Event of Default under the Indenture. Instead, the amount of any interest that is not paid on the Class Q-2A Securities on any Payment Date will be deferred, and such amounts ("Class Q-2A Deferred Interest") will bear interest at the Class Q-2A Interest Rate. Interest accrued on Class Q-2A Deferred Interest for any Periodic Interest Accrual Period will be payable as current interest on the Class Q-2A Securities on the related Payment Date and, to the extent not paid on such Payment Date, will constitute additional Class Q-2A Deferred Interest. Class Q-2A Deferred Interest will be due and payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available and permitted to be used for such purpose in accordance with the Class Q-2A Priority of Payments. *See—"Class Q-2 Events of Default"* for a description of when such non-payment constitutes a Class Q-2 Event of Default under the Indenture and the available remedies. Subject to the availability of funds and to the Class Q-2 Priority of Payments, the Class Q-2A Securities, unless previously redeemed, will provide for the payment of outstanding principal on the Class Q-2 Maturity Date.

Holders of Class Q-2B Securities will not be entitled to receive distributions at a stated rate but on each Payment Date will be entitled to distributions (including the Class Q-2B Target Amount) solely to the extent of available funds therefor pursuant to the Class Q-2 Priority of Payments.

The remaining principal amount, if any, of and interest on the Class Q-2A Securities and any final distribution, if any, on the Class Q-2B Securities will be paid on the Class Q-2 Maturity Date upon surrender of such Securities at the office of any Paying Agent designated for such purpose under the Indenture. The interest payable at maturity on the Class Q-2A Securities will be paid to the Person to whom principal of such Security will be paid.

The Class Q-2B Securities are subordinate (except with respect to the Class Q-2B Target Amount) to the Class Q-2A Securities as provided in the Class Q-2 Priority of Payments.

#### **Class Q-2 Priority of Payments**

##### ***Class Q-2 Payment Date Priority of Payments***

On each Payment Date, the Trustee will distribute the Class Q-2 Payment Date Proceeds in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account to make the following payments in the following order of priority (the "Class Q-2 Payment Date Priority of Payments"):

1. to the Holders of the Class Q-2A Securities, the Class Q-2A Interest Amount;
2. to the Holders of the Class Q-2A Securities, any Class Q-2A Deferred Interest;
3. to the Holders of the Class Q-2A Securities, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class Q-2A Securities; and

4. the remainder to the Holders of the Class Q-2B Securities (the “Net Class Q-2B Periodic Return Amount”)

In addition, on each Payment Date, the Trustee will distribute from Class Q-2 Gross Proceeds other than the Class Q-2 Payment Date Proceeds, to the Holders of Class Q-2B Securities, the Class Q-2B Target Amount, if any, for such date.

*Class Q-2 Maturity Date Priority of Payments*

On the Class Q-2 Maturity Date, the Trustee will distribute any Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B Proceeds and any other amounts on deposit in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account to make the following payments in the following order of priority (the “Class Q-2 Maturity Date Priority of Payments”):

1. to the Holders of the Class Q-2A Securities, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class Q-2A Securities, any accrued and unpaid Class Q-2A Interest Amount and any Class Q-2A Deferred Interest; provided that no more than \$7,200,000 shall be payable pursuant to this clause (A) from Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B Proceeds; and;
2. the remainder to the Holders of the Class Q-2B Securities (the “Final Class Q-2B Distribution Amount”).

Class Q-2A Coverage Test

If the Class Q-2A Coverage Test is not satisfied as of any date of determination following the Closing Date, at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Class Q-2A Securities, the Trustee will liquidate the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A and credit the proceeds thereof to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account for distribution in accordance with the Class Q-2 Priority of Payments upon receipt of such proceeds as though the date of receipt thereof were a Payment Date.

Rights with respect to the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A

With respect to any matter under the Indenture as to which the Holders of Income Notes are entitled to vote or give any consent or direction, the Trustee will follow the direction of the Holders of a majority of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class Q-2B Securities for purposes of voting or giving such consent or direction for the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A. If as a result of such vote the Holder of the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A would constitute a Non-consenting Holder, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser will be entitled to purchase the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A if it elects to exercise its Amendment Buy-Out Option, and the proceeds of such purchase will be credited to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account and distributed in accordance with the Class Q-2 Priority of Payments on the next following Payment Date. The Class Q-2 Securities themselves will not be subject to an Amendment Buy-Out.

In the case of the Maturity Extension, if any, the Holders of a majority of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class Q-2B Securities will be entitled to direct the Trustee to provide an Extension Sale Notice with respect to the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A. Any proceeds from an Extension Sale with respect to the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A will be credited to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account and distributed in accordance with the Class Q-2 Priority of Payments on the applicable Payment Date.

The Holders of Class Q-2 Securities will not be entitled to direct the Trustee with respect to the Trust Estate pursuant to the Indenture other than by way of the rights of Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A.

The Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account

On or prior to the Closing Date, the Trustee will establish a segregated trust account in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Holders of the Class Q-2 Securities (the “Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account”), which is required at all times to be an Eligible Account at an Eligible Institution (which initially shall be JPMorgan Chase Bank).



On the Closing Date, the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A and the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B will be deposited in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account. In addition, the Trustee will deposit into the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account all proceeds from the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A, including, without limitation, distributions on the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A and any proceeds from the sale, redemption or maturity of all or portions of the Class Q-2 Collateral Assets. All moneys deposited in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account shall be invested in Eligible Investments required to mature on or before the Business Day prior to the next Payment Date.

#### Exchange of Class Q-2 Securities

Pursuant to the Indenture, on and after the date on which the Class Q-2A Securities are redeemed or repaid in full, any Holder of a Class Q-2B Security may exchange all but not less than all of its Class Q-2B Securities for its proportional share of the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A, in the form of Certificated Income Notes (subject to the minimum denomination requirements applicable to the Income Notes and in the manner described in the Indenture) and any proceeds thereof, and the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B and any proceeds thereof in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account. The Trustee, upon surrender of a Class Q-2B Certificated Security by a Holder for an exchange, will simultaneously convert the applicable portion of the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A into Certificated Income Notes and transfer the applicable portion of the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B to that Holder in accordance with standard settlement procedures for assets of that type and so effect the exchange. Thereafter, the Holder of the Class Q-2B Security so exchanged will be the Holder of the Income Notes received upon the exchange for purposes of the Indenture. No Holder of Income Notes (including a Holder that received such Income Notes upon an exchange of a Class Q-2B Security) or CGMHI Notes will be entitled to exchange any such notes for a Class Q-2B Security. No service charge shall be made for any such exchange of Class Q-2B Securities, but the Issuer or the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or governmental charge payable in connection with such exchange.

#### Class Q-2 Administrative Expenses

Following the redemption in full of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities and the liquidation and distribution of the Trust Estate, if the Class Q-2B Securities are then Outstanding, the Holders of Class Q-2B Securities will be required either (i) to exchange such Class Q-2B Securities into the applicable proportionate amount of the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral or (ii) to enter into an arrangement with the Issuer satisfactory to the Issuer for the payment of Class Q-2 Administrative Expenses (and will be deemed to have elected clause (i) if an arrangement pursuant to clause (ii) has not been entered into within a reasonable time of such redemption, liquidation and distribution).

#### Class Q-2 Events of Default

A Class Q-2 event of default ("Class Q-2 Event of Default") is defined in the Indenture as being:

1. a default in the payment, when due and payable, of any Interest Amount on the Class Q-2A Securities, which default shall continue for a period of five days (*provided* that the failure to pay Interest Amounts on the Class Q-2A Securities because insufficient funds are available in accordance with the Class Q-2 Priority of Payments will not constitute a Class Q-2 Event of Default);
2. a default in the payment of principal of any Class Q-2 Security on the Class Q-2 Maturity Date; *provided* that, in the case of a default in such payment due solely to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee or any Paying Agent, such default continues for a period of five days;
3. a failure to apply, within five days following any Payment Date or the Class Q-2 Maturity Date, available amounts in accordance with the Class Q-2 Priority of Payments, or a default in payment solely due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, which default continues for a period of five days;
4. either of the Issuers or the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral becomes an investment company required to be registered under the Investment Company Act;
5. except as otherwise provided in this definition of "Class Q-2 Event of Default," a default in any respect in the performance, or a breach of any covenant, warranty or other agreement of the

Issuers in the Indenture, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Issuers made in the Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant to or in connection with the Indenture to be correct in all respects when the same shall have been made, which default, breach or failure would have a material adverse effect on the Holders of the Class Q-2 Securities and continuance of such default, breach or failure for a period of 30 calendar days after written notice shall have been given as provided in the Indenture to the Issuers by the Trustee or to the Issuers and the Trustee by the Class Q-2 Requisite Securityholder specifying such default, breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that such notice is a "Notice of Class Q-2 Default" under the Indenture; or

6. certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or reorganization of either of the Issuers (as set forth in the Indenture).

If a Class Q-2 Event of Default under the Indenture (other than a Class Q-2 Event of Default of the type described in clause (4) or clause (6) above) occurs and is continuing, the Trustee shall at the written direction of the Class Q-2 Requisite Securityholders declare the principal of and any accrued interest on the Class Q-2A Securities to be immediately due and payable. If a Class Q-2 Event of Default of the type described in clause (4) or clause (6) above occurs, the principal of and interest on the Class Q-2A Securities automatically shall become immediately due and payable without any action of the Trustee or any other Person. The Class Q-2 Requisite Securityholders may rescind a declaration of acceleration if the Class Q-2 Event of Default has been cured and certain other conditions are satisfied.

Subject to the next succeeding paragraphs, upon any acceleration of the Class Q-2A Securities, the Class Q-2 Requisite Securityholders shall have the right to direct the Trustee to exercise the remedies with respect to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral provided for in the Indenture.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral unless the Class Q-2A Securities have been declared or have become due and payable as described above and one of the following conditions exists:

- (i) The Trustee determines that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral would be sufficient to pay (a) to the appropriate Persons any accrued and unpaid Class Q-2 Administrative Expenses (unless otherwise provided for) and (b) to the Holders of the Class Q-2A Securities the principal of and interest accrued on the Class Q-2A Securities to the date of acceleration. The Trustee shall make or cause to be made the calculation required by this paragraph promptly after the acceleration of the Class Q-2A Securities and on each monthly anniversary thereafter. In the event that the conditions of clause (i) are satisfied, the Trustee shall promptly effect the sale or liquidation of the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral and apply the proceeds as described below; or
- (ii) the Class Q-2 Requisite Securityholders direct the Trustee at any time following the acceleration of the Class Q-2A Securities to sell or liquidate the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral.

During any period following a Class Q-2 Event of Default but prior to the liquidation of the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral, the Trustee will retain the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral intact, collect and cause the collection of the proceeds thereof and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all amounts in respect of the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral and Class Q-2 Securities in accordance with the terms of the Indenture (including reinvestment of amounts in Eligible Investments in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account). Any such proceeds realized after the acceleration of the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral will be distributed in accordance with the Class Q-2 Priority of Payments.

Upon the acceleration of the Class Q-2A Securities, if the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral has not been sold or liquidated, the funds in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account, if any, will be applied in accordance with the Class Q-2 Priority of Payments on each Payment Date. If the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral is sold or liquidated, a final distribution will be made pursuant thereto on the first Business Day following the last day on which an item of the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral is sold or liquidated (and no interim distributions will be made on any date (including on any Payment Date) during the sale or liquidation process).

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, no Holder of Class Q-2 Securities will be entitled to direct the Trustee or exercise any right or remedy, bring any proceeding or take any action under the Indenture with respect to

the Trust Estate, other than through and solely to the extent of the rights pertaining to the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A. While any Notes are Outstanding, no Holder of Class Q-2 Securities may bring any proceeding against the Issuer other than solely in respect of the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral and any such proceeding by the Holders of Class Q-2 Securities may not include any bankruptcy or similar proceedings. The costs of any proceedings by Holders of Class Q-2 Securities and the costs and expenses incurred by the Trustee in connection with any sale or liquidation of the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral will not be payable from the Trust Estate (except to the extent included in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral pursuant to the definition thereof). No Holder of Class Q-2B Securities shall be entitled to institute proceedings or to seek any other remedy under the Indenture unless all of the Class Q-2A Securities have been redeemed in full.

## **Form, Denomination and Registration**

### General

Each Class of Notes, whether issued in definitive or global form, and the Class Q-2A Securities will be issued and transferable in minimum denominations of U.S. \$500,000 and integral multiples of U.S. \$1,000 in excess thereof. The Class Q-1 Securities will be issued and transferable in minimum denominations in which each Component thereof satisfies the applicable minimum denomination requirement. The Class Q-2B Securities will be issued and transferable in minimum denominations of U.S. \$1,000,000 and integral multiples of U.S. \$1,000 in excess thereof.

### Rule 144A Global Notes

The Senior Notes initially sold in the United States or to U.S. Persons (as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act) pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act will be represented by one or more permanent global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons (the "Rule 144A Global Notes"). The Rule 144A Global Notes will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") and will be registered in the name of Cede & Co. ("Cede"), as nominee of DTC.

All or a portion of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note may be transferred to a Person taking delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note in accordance with the applicable procedures of DTC (in addition to the requirements set forth in the Indenture); *provided* that any remaining principal amount of the transferor's interest in the Rule 144A Global Note shall either equal zero or meet the required minimum denomination. In addition, all or a portion of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note may be transferred to a person taking delivery in the form of an interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or a Regulation S Global Note, as applicable, or exchanged for an interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or a Regulation S Global Note, as applicable, in accordance with the applicable procedures of DTC, Clearstream and Euroclear (in addition to the requirements set forth in the Indenture); *provided* that the transferor (in the case of a transfer) or the Holder of a Note (in the case of an exchange) will represent that, among other things, the transfer or exchange is being made to a non-U.S. Person in an offshore transaction in accordance with Regulation S and only in a denomination greater than or equal to the required minimum denomination; *provided, further* that any remaining principal amount of the transferor's interest in the Rule 144A Global Note shall either equal zero or meet the required minimum denomination.

Any interest in a Rule 144A Global Note that is transferred to a person taking delivery in the form of an interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or a Regulation S Global Note will, upon transfer, cease to be an interest in such Rule 144A Global Note and become an interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note or the Regulation S Global Note, as applicable, and, accordingly, will thereafter be subject to all transfer restrictions and other procedures applicable to interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or a Regulation S Global Note, as applicable. No service charge will be made for any registration of transfer or exchange of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note, but the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

Transfers of interests in the Rule 144A Global Notes are subject to certain additional restrictions. In particular, each transferee of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will also be deemed to have made certain additional acknowledgments, representations and warranties as provided in the Indenture. *See "Purchase and Transfer Restrictions."*

### Regulation S Global Notes

The Senior Notes initially sold to non-U.S. Persons (as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act) in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act will be initially represented by one or more temporary global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons attached (the “Temporary Regulation S Global Notes”). The Class Q-1 Securities initially sold to non-U.S. Persons (as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act) in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act will be initially represented by a Temporary Regulation S Global Note (the “Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Security”). The Temporary Regulation S Global Notes will be deposited with the Trustee acting as custodian for DTC and will be registered in the name of Cede, as nominee of DTC, for credit to DTC participants holding such position on behalf of Euroclear and Clearstream, for further credit to the respective accounts of Euroclear and Clearstream.

On or after the first Business Day following the 40th day after the later of the Closing Date and the commencement of the offering of the Notes (the “Exchange Date”), interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note (including a Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Security) will be exchangeable for interests in one or more permanent global notes of the same Class in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons attached (the “Regulation S Global Notes” (or, in the case of an exchange of Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Securities, the “Class Q-1 Reg S Global Securities”) and, together with the Rule 144A Global Notes and the Temporary Regulation S Global Notes, as applicable, the “Global Notes”) upon certification that the beneficial interests in such Temporary Regulation S Global Note are owned by Persons who are not U.S. Persons (as defined in Regulation S).

Interests in the Global Notes (except for the Rule 144A Global Notes) may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream.

All or a portion of an interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note (other than Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Securities) or a Regulation S Global Note (other than Class Q-1 Reg S Global Securities) may be transferred to a Person taking delivery in the form of an interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or a Regulation S Global Note as applicable, in accordance with the applicable procedures of DTC, Clearstream or Euroclear (in addition to the requirements set forth in the Indenture), *provided* that any remaining principal amount of the transferor’s interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Notes or the Regulation S Global Notes, as applicable, shall either equal zero or meet the required minimum denominations.

In addition, all or a portion of an interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note (other than Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Securities) or a Regulation S Global Note (other than Class Q-1 Reg S Global Securities) may be transferred to a Person taking delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note or exchanged for an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note in accordance with the applicable procedures of DTC, Clearstream or Euroclear (in addition to the requirements set forth in the Indenture) upon receipt by the Trustee of a certificate from the transferor (in the case of a transfer) or the Holder of a Note (in the case of an exchange) in the form provided in the Indenture to the effect that, among other things, the transfer or exchange is to a Person that is both (i) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (ii) a Qualified Purchaser, and only in a denomination greater than or equal to the required minimum denominations, *provided* that any remaining principal amount of the transferor’s interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note or the Regulation S Global Note, as applicable, shall either equal zero or meet the required minimum denominations.

Any interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note (other than a Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Security) or a Regulation S Global Note (other than a Class Q-1 Reg S Global Security) that is transferred to a Person taking delivery in the form of a Rule 144A Global Note will, upon transfer, cease to be an interest in such Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Regulation S Global Note and become an interest in the Rule 144A Global Note and, accordingly, will thereafter be subject to all transfer restrictions and other procedures applicable to interests in a Rule 144A Global Note for as long as it remains such an interest. No service charge will be made for any registration of transfer or exchange of an interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or a Regulation S Global Note, but the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

Transfers of interests in the Temporary Regulation S Global Notes or the Regulation S Global Notes will be subject to certain additional restrictions. In particular, each transferee of an interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or a Regulation S Global Note will also be deemed to have made certain additional acknowledgments, representations and warranties as provided in the Indenture. *See “Purchase and Transfer Restrictions.”*

Interests in a Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Security or a Class Q-1 Reg S Global Security may only be transferred to a Person taking delivery in the form of a Certificated Class Q-1 Security, upon receipt by the Trustee of a transferee certificate substantially in the form provided in the Indenture. *See also* “—*Certificated Securities*” *below*.

To enforce the restrictions on transfers of interests in the Securities, the Indenture permits the Issuer to demand that the purchaser of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note who is determined not to be a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser sell its interest in such Rule 144A Global Note to a permitted purchaser under the Indenture and, if the purchaser does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may sell or cause such purchaser to sell its interest in the Note, on such terms as the Issuer may choose. In addition, the Indenture also permits the Issuer to demand that the purchaser of an interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or a Regulation S Global Note who is determined not to have acquired such beneficial interest in compliance with the requirements of the Indenture sell its interest in such Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Regulation S Global Note to a permitted purchaser under the Indenture, and, if such purchaser does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may sell or cause such purchaser to sell its interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note or the Regulation S Global Note, as applicable, on such terms as the Issuer may choose.

#### Book Entry Registration of the Global Notes

The registered owner of the relevant Global Note will be the only Person entitled to receive payments in respect of the Securities represented by such Global Note, and the obligation of the Issuers to make payments or distributions in respect of such Securities will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the registered owner of such Global Note in respect of each amount so paid. No Person other than the registered owner of the relevant Global Note shall have any claim against the Issuers in respect of any payment due on that Global Note. Members of, or participants in, DTC as well as any other Persons on whose behalf such participants may act (including Euroclear and Clearstream and account holders and participants therein) will have no rights under the Indenture with respect to such Global Notes held on their behalf by the Trustee, as custodian for DTC, and DTC may be treated by the Issuers or the Trustee and any agent of the Issuers or the Trustee as the Holder of such Global Notes for all purposes whatsoever. Except in the limited circumstances described in the next paragraph and with respect to the transfer of Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Securities and Class Q-1 Reg S Global Securities, owners of beneficial interests in the Global Notes will not be entitled to have such Securities registered in their names, will not receive or be entitled to receive definitive physical securities and will not be considered Holders of such Securities under the Indenture.

If (i) DTC notifies the Trustee that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for the Global Notes or DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream ceases to be a “Clearing Agency” (as defined in the Exchange Act) registered under the Exchange Act, and a successor depository or clearing agency is not appointed by the Trustee within 90 days after receiving such notice, (ii) as a result of any amendment to or change in the laws or regulations of the Cayman Islands, or of any authority therein or thereof having power to tax, or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations which become effective on or after the Closing Date, the Issuers, the Trustee, or the Paying Agent becomes aware that it is or will be required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Global Notes which would not be required if such Global Notes were not represented by a global note or (iii) an Event of Default under the Indenture has occurred and is continuing and has not been waived, the Issuers will issue or cause to be issued notes in registered form and in the form of definitive physical notes in exchange for the applicable Global Notes to the beneficial owners of such Global Notes in the manner set forth in the Indenture.

Investors may hold their interests in a Rule 144A Global Note directly through DTC if they are participants in DTC, or indirectly through organizations which are participants in DTC. Investors may hold their interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or a Regulation S Global Note directly through Clearstream or Euroclear, if they are participants in Clearstream or Euroclear, or indirectly through organizations which are participants in Clearstream or Euroclear. Clearstream and Euroclear will hold interests in the Temporary Regulation S Global Notes and the Regulation S Global Notes on behalf of their participants through their respective depositories, which in turn will hold the interests in such Global Notes in customers’ securities accounts in the depositories’ names on the books of DTC.

Payments of principal of and interest on a Global Note will be made to DTC or its nominee, as the registered owner thereof. The Issuers, the Trustee, the Paying Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Swap Counterparty, the Reference Portfolio Manager and any of their respective Affiliates will not have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests in a Global Note or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to the beneficial ownership interests.

The Issuers expect that DTC or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment of principal or interest in respect of a Global Note representing a Note held by DTC or its nominee, will immediately credit participants' accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the stated principal amount of such Note as shown on the records of DTC or its nominee. The Issuers also expect that payments by participants to owners of beneficial interests in a Global Note held through the participants will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers registered in the names of nominees for such customers. The payments will be the responsibility of the participants.

Transfers between participants in DTC will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with DTC rules and will be settled in immediately available funds. If the laws of a jurisdiction require that certain persons take physical delivery of securities in definitive form, the ability to transfer beneficial interests in a Global Note to such persons may be limited. Because DTC can only act on behalf of participants, who in turn act on behalf of indirect participants and certain banks, the ability of a Person holding a beneficial interest in a Global Note to pledge its interest to a Person or entity that does not participate in the DTC system, or otherwise take actions in respect of its interest, may be affected by the lack of a physical security. Transfers between participants in Euroclear and Clearstream will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with their respective rules and operating procedures.

Subject to compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Securities described above and under "*Purchase and Transfer Restrictions*," cross-market transfers between DTC, on the one hand, and, directly or indirectly through Euroclear or Clearstream participants, on the other, will be effected through DTC in accordance with DTC rules on behalf of Euroclear or Clearstream, as applicable, by its respective depositary; however, these cross-market transactions will require delivery of instructions to Euroclear or Clearstream, as applicable, by the counterparty in the system in accordance with its rules and procedures and within its established deadlines (Brussels time for Euroclear and Luxembourg time for Clearstream). Euroclear or Clearstream, as applicable, will, if the transaction meets its settlement requirements, deliver instructions to its respective depositary to take action to effect final settlement on its behalf by delivering or receiving interests in a Regulation S Global Note, and making or receiving payment in accordance with normal procedures for immediately available funds settlement applicable to DTC. Clearstream participants and Euroclear participants may not deliver instructions directly to the depositaries for Clearstream or Euroclear.

Because of time zone differences, the securities account of a Euroclear or Clearstream participant purchasing an interest in a Global Note from a DTC participant will be credited during the securities settlement processing day (which must be a business day for Euroclear and Clearstream) immediately following the DTC settlement date and the credit of any transactions in interests in a Global Note settled during the processing day will be reported to the relevant Euroclear or Clearstream participant on that day. Cash received in Euroclear or Clearstream as a result of sales of interests in a Global Note by or through a Euroclear or Clearstream participant to a DTC participant will be received with value on the DTC settlement date but will be available in the relevant Euroclear or Clearstream cash account only as of the Business Day following settlement through DTC.

DTC has advised the Issuers that it will take any action permitted to be taken by Holders of the Securities only at the direction of one or more participants to whose account with DTC an interest in a Global Note is credited and only in respect of that portion of the principal balance of the applicable Notes as to which the participant or participants has or have given direction.

DTC is a limited purpose trust company organized under the laws of the State of New York, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code and a Clearing Agency registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. DTC was created to hold securities for its participants and facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of its participants, thereby eliminating the

need for physical movement of certificates. Participants include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies and clearing corporations and may include certain other organizations. Indirect access to the DTC system is also available to others such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a participant, either directly or indirectly.

Although DTC, Clearstream and Euroclear have agreed to the foregoing procedures in order to facilitate transfers of interests in the Global Notes among participants of DTC, Clearstream and Euroclear, they are under no obligation to perform or continue to perform these procedures, and the procedures may be discontinued at any time. None of the Issuers, the Trustee or any Paying Agent will have any responsibility for the performance by DTC, Clearstream, Euroclear or their respective participants or indirect participants of their respective obligations under the rules and procedures governing their operations.

Any purported transfer of a Note not in accordance with the Indenture shall be null and void *ab initio* and shall not be given effect for any purpose whatsoever. However, without prejudice to the rights of the Issuer against any beneficial owner or purported beneficial owner of Securities, nothing in the Indenture, or the Notes, as applicable, shall be interpreted to confer on the Issuer, the Trustee, or any Paying Agent any right against Euroclear to require that Euroclear reverse or rescind any trade completed in accordance with the rules of Euroclear.

#### Certificated Securities

All Income Notes, all Class Q-2 Securities and the Class Q-1 Securities initially sold in the United States or to U.S. persons pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act or upon the transfer of an interest in a Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Security or Class Q-1 Reg S Global Security, will be issued in the form of definitive, physical certificates in fully registered form (a “Certificated Income Note”, “Certificated Class Q-2 Security,” or Certificated Class Q-1 Security,” as applicable, and each, a “Certificated Security”). The Certificated Income Notes and the Certificated Class Q-2 Securities will initially be offered only (i) except in the case of the Class Q-2B Securities, in the United States to Qualified Purchasers that are also either Qualified Institutional Buyers or, in the case of the Income Notes only, Accredited Investors, in each case in reliance on an exemption from registration under the Securities Act, and (ii) outside the United States, to non-U.S. Persons in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act. The Certificated Class Q-1 Securities will initially be offered only in the United States to Qualified Purchasers that are also Qualified Institutional Buyers. The Certificated Income Notes, the Certificated Class Q-2 Securities, the Certificated Class Q-1 Securities, may be transferred only in the form of a Certificated Security and only (1) except in the case of the Class Q-2B Securities, to Qualified Purchasers that are either (a) Qualified Institutional Buyers, in reliance on an exemption from registration provided by Rule 144A thereunder or (b) in the case of the Income Notes only, Accredited Investors, in reliance on an exemption from registration under the Securities Act (*provided* that in the case of any transfer to an Accredited Investor pursuant to subclause (b) and if requested by the Trustee or the Issuer, the transferor or the transferee will be required to provide an opinion of counsel to each of the Trustee and the Issuer to the effect that such transfer may be made pursuant to an exemption from registration under the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws) or (2) to non-U.S. Persons in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S. Interests in the Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Security and the Class Q-1 Reg S Global Security may be transferred only in the form of a Certificated Security and only (1) to Qualified Purchasers that are Qualified Institutional Buyers, in reliance on an exemption from registration provided by Rule 144A thereunder or (2) to non-U.S. Persons in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S. Transfers of Certificated Securities may only be effected in accordance with the Indenture by delivery to the Trustee and the Issuer of the required written certifications from the transferee regarding compliance with applicable transfer restrictions. *See “Purchase and Transfer Restrictions.”*

Subject to the restrictions on transfer set forth in the Indenture, the Holder of a Certificated Security may transfer or exchange such Certificated Security in whole or in part by surrendering such Certificated Security at the designated office of the Trustee, together with an executed instrument of assignment and a transferee certificate substantially in the form attached to the Indenture. With respect to any Certificated Security properly presented for transfer with all necessary accompanying documentation, the Trustee will deliver to the transferee a Certificated Security of the like kind in the principal or stated amount as may be requested. The presentation for transfer of any Certificated Security will not be valid unless made at the designated office of the Trustee or at the office of a transfer agent by the registered Holder of the Certificated Security in person, or by a duly authorized attorney-in-fact. The Holder of a Certificated Security will not be required to bear the costs and expenses of effecting any transfer or registration of transfer, except that the relevant Holder of a Certificated Security will be required to bear (i) the

expenses of delivery by other than regular mail (if any) and (ii) if the Issuer or the Trustee so requires, the payment of a sum sufficient to cover any duty, stamp tax or governmental charge or insurance charges that may be imposed in relation thereto.

## **The Indenture and the Collateral Administration Agreement**

### Accounts

On or prior to the Closing Date, the Trustee will establish three separate accounts: the Collateral Account, the Expense Reserve Account and the Collection Account (collectively, the “Trust Accounts”). Each of the Trust Accounts is required at all times to be an Eligible Account at an Eligible Institution (which initially shall be JPMorgan Chase Bank).

Investments of amounts in Eligible Investments in the Collateral Account and Collection Account (other than the initial Eligible Investments), and sales or liquidations of such Eligible Investments in order to make payments under the Indenture, will be made at the direction of the Swap Counterparty as secured party under the Indenture (or by the Reference Portfolio Manager on its behalf), unless a Swap Event of Default as to which the Swap Counterparty is the defaulting party or a Swap Additional Termination Event has occurred and is continuing or the Swap Agreement has been terminated and all amounts owed to the Swap Counterparty thereunder have been paid, in which case the Requisite Noteholders will be entitled to give such direction.

*The Collateral Account.* On the Closing Date, the net proceeds of the issuance of the Securities after payment of certain fees and expenses of the issuance and offering of the Securities and the funding of the Expense Reserve Account (approximately U.S. \$247,500,000) will be deposited into the Collateral Account (the “Collateral Account”). In addition, on each Payment Date an amount equal to the Quarterly Aggregate Increase Amount, if any, for such date, will be deposited in the Collateral Account in accordance with the Payment Date Priority of Payments. Amounts received by the Issuer in respect of the termination of the Swap Agreement in excess of the amount required to enter into a replacement therefor will also be deposited in the Collateral Account. All moneys deposited into the Collateral Account shall be invested in Eligible Investments. The Eligible Investments in the Collateral Account (except the Investment Agreement) shall be required to mature on or before the Business Day prior to the next Payment Date. The net proceeds of the issuance of the Securities deposited in the Collateral Account on the Closing Date and other amounts deposited in the Collateral Account from time to time are expected to be invested in the Investment Agreement.

On each Payment Date (other than a Maturity Date, Optional Redemption Date or an Indenture Tax Redemption Date), the Trustee will transfer any applicable amounts credited to the Collateral Account, including any interest and dividends received in respect of Eligible Investments therein, into the Collection Account for distribution in accordance with the Payment Date Priority of Payments or, as applicable, the Principal Priority of Payments. On the Maturity Date (or Optional Redemption Date or an Indenture Tax Redemption Date), the Trustee will transfer all amounts in the Collateral Account following the sale or liquidation of all Eligible Investments into the Collection Account and distribute such moneys, together with the other moneys in the Collection Account, in accordance with the Priority of Payments. See “—Priority of Payments” and “—Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities and Extension of Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities.” The Investment Agreement permits withdrawals for the purpose of making payments under the Indenture and in certain other limited circumstances.

Amounts on deposit in the Collateral Account will also be used to pay any Swap Termination Payment owed by the Issuer to the Swap Counterparty upon an early termination of the Swap Agreement; *provided* that in the case of a termination as a result of a Swap Event of Default as to which the Swap Counterparty is the defaulting party or a Swap Additional Termination Event has occurred and is continuing, such payment will be made on the next Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

*The Collection Account.* The Trustee shall deposit into the Collection Account (the “Collection Account”), promptly upon receipt from time to time, (i) the net amount, if any, paid by the Swap Counterparty for any Payment Date in respect of the Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amount and the Fixed Amount, (ii) except as noted above, any Swap Termination Payment paid by the Swap Counterparty in connection with the termination of the Swap Agreement and (iii) all amounts transferred to it from the Collateral Account and the Expense Reserve Account.



On each Payment Date, the Trustee shall distribute the applicable Payment Date Proceeds in the Collection Account in accordance with the Payment Date Priority of Payments. On the Maturity Date, Optional Redemption Date or Indenture Tax Redemption Date and on any date on which Senior Notes are to be redeemed or an Income Note Principal Distribution Amount is to be paid, the Trustee shall also distribute the applicable moneys therein in accordance with the Principal Priority of Payments.

The Eligible Investments in the Collection Account at any time will be required to mature on or before the Business Day prior to the next Payment Date.

*The Expense Reserve Account.* On the Closing Date, the Issuer will deposit approximately U.S. \$17,376,625 from the proceeds of the offering of the Securities in the Expense Reserve Account (the "Expense Reserve Account"). On any Business Day from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the last Business Day prior to the first Payment Date the Trustee will apply funds from the Expense Reserve Account to pay expenses of the Issuers incurred in connection with the establishment of the Issuers, the structuring and consummation of the offering and the transactions contemplated thereby and the issuance of the Securities. Any funds remaining in the Expense Reserve Account on the last Business Day prior to the first Payment Date will be deposited on such day in the Collection Account for distribution on the first Payment Date in accordance with the Payment Date Priority of Payments and the Expense Reserve Account will be closed.

### Reports

*Monthly Reports.* Commencing in November 2004, pursuant to the Indenture, the Issuer or its agent will compile and provide to the Trustee, the Swap Counterparty, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Rating Agencies and the Holders of the Securities a monthly report (other than for a month in which a Payment Date occurs) containing certain information regarding sources and uses of funds, the Coverage Tests, Eligible Investments and the Reference Portfolio.

*Payment Date Valuation Reports.* For each Payment Date (including the Maturity Date), pursuant to the Indenture, the Issuer or its agent will provide to the Trustee, the Swap Counterparty, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Rating Agencies and the Holders of the Securities an accounting with respect to the Trust Estate and the Reference Portfolio, including calculations of the Overcollateralization Ratios, Interest Coverage Ratios and Interest Rates for each Class of Senior Notes for such Payment Date.

### Closing Date Statement by Independent Accountants

Independent certified public accountants of recognized national reputation selected by the Issuer (with the approval of the Swap Counterparty) will be required to deliver as of the Closing Date a statement in form and substance acceptable to the Issuer and the Swap Counterparty with a copy to the Trustee and the Reference Portfolio Manager (i) confirming the information with respect to each Initial Reference Obligation set forth in the Swap Agreement and (ii) providing calculations of each of the Reference Portfolio Criteria and of each Overcollateralization Test and specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing (see "*The Reference Portfolio—Reference Portfolio Criteria*").

### Modification of Indenture

The Issuers and the Trustee may enter into supplemental indentures with the consent of the Swap Counterparty, but without obtaining the consent of any Holders of the Notes, in order to:

- (i) evidence the succession of any Person to either the Issuer or Co-Issuer and the assumption by any such successor of the covenants of the Issuer or Co-Issuer in the Securities and the Indenture or to change the name of either of the Issuers;
- (ii) provide for definitive Notes as contemplated by the Indenture;
- (iii) add to the covenants of the Issuers for the benefit of the Holders of the Securities or the Swap Counterparty;
- (iv) pledge any additional property to or with the Trustee;

- (v) evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment by a successor trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of the Indenture as shall be necessary to facilitate the administration of the Trust Estate or the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral by more than one trustee;
- (vi) correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of the Indenture;
- (vii) cure any ambiguity, or correct, modify or supplement any provision which is defective or inconsistent with any other provision in the Indenture or this Offering Circular;
- (viii) make any change required by the Irish Stock Exchange (so long as any of the Securities are listed thereon) or any other stock exchange on which any Class of Securities is listed in order to permit or maintain the listing of the Securities thereon;
- (ix) modify transfer restrictions on any Securities, so long as any such modifications comply with the Securities Act, the Investment Company Act, ERISA and other applicable laws and any additional transfer restrictions imposed are reasonably necessary to comply with such laws (or any applicable exemption therefrom);
- (x) take any action necessary or helpful to prevent the Issuer or the Trustee from becoming subject to any withholding or other taxes or assessments or to reduce the risk that the Issuer will be engaged in a United States trade or business or otherwise subject to United States federal income tax on a net income basis;
- (xi) provide for additional or modified reports to Holders of Securities; or
- (xii) amend, modify or change any test or requirement of any Rating Agency in the Indenture where such amendment, modification or change has been specified or authorized by such Rating Agency (and notice thereof has been provided to the Trustee, Swap Counterparty and Reference Portfolio Manager);

*provided* that, in each case, the Trustee shall have received Rating Confirmation for that supplemental indenture; *provided further* that the Trustee may, with the consent of the Holders of 100% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Senior Notes and Class Q-1 Securities affected thereby and with the consent of the Swap Counterparty, enter into any such supplemental indenture notwithstanding any qualification, downgrade or withdrawal of the ratings of any such Class of Senior Notes or Class Q-1 Securities.

In addition, with the consent of the Swap Counterparty and the Holders of a majority in Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Notes adversely affected thereby, and receipt of a Rating Confirmation, the Issuers and the Trustee may execute a supplemental indenture to add any provisions to, or change in any manner or eliminate any provisions of, the Indenture or modify in any manner the rights of the Holders of the Notes under the Indenture; *provided* that the Trustee may, with the consent of the Holders of 100% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Senior Notes and Class Q-1 Securities affected thereby, enter into any such supplemental indenture notwithstanding that either Rating Agency has stated that such supplemental indenture will result in a qualification, downgrade or withdrawal of its then-current ratings of such Class of Securities. However, without the consent of the Swap Counterparty if adversely affected thereby and the Holders of each Outstanding Security adversely affected thereby and without receipt of a Rating Confirmation or a waiver of such Rating Confirmation by the Holders whose consent is required for such supplemental indenture, no supplemental indenture may:

- (i) change the maturity of any Security or the principal of, or the interest on any Senior Note or Class Q-2A Security or reduce the principal amount thereof or the rate of interest thereon or change the time or amount of any other amount payable in respect of any Security;
- (ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Amount of Securities, the consent of the Holders of which is required for the authorization of any supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of the Indenture;

- (iii) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on parity with the lien of the Indenture with respect to any part of the Trust Estate or Class Q-2 Securities Collateral or terminate the lien of the Indenture except as otherwise permitted by the Indenture;
- (iv) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Amount of Notes or Class Q-2 Securities, as applicable, held by the Holders of the Notes or Class Q-2 Securities, as applicable, whose consent is required to direct the Trustee to liquidate the Trust Estate (or modify the provisions of the Indenture relating to the Swap Counterparty's authority with respect to any such liquidation), or the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral, as applicable;
- (v) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture with respect to supplemental indentures or waiver of Events of Default or Class Q-2 Events of Default and their consequences except to increase the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Amount of Notes or Class Q-2 Securities, as applicable, the consent of the Holders of which is required for any such action or to provide that other provisions of the Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holders of each Outstanding Note (or each Outstanding Class Q-2 Security, as applicable) affected thereby;
- (vi) modify the provisions of the Priority of Payments, the Class Q-2 Priority of Payments or the definitions of the terms "Holder" or "Outstanding;" or
- (vii) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of principal of or interest on or other amount payable in respect of any Security or to affect the right of the Holders of the Securities to the benefit of any provisions for the payment of such Securities contained therein.

No supplemental indenture may modify the terms of the Class Q-1 Securities, the Class Q-2A Securities or the Class Q-2B Securities as such in a manner that would adversely affect the Class Q-1 Securities, the Class Q-2A Securities or the Class Q-2B Securities without the prior written consent of a majority of the stated amount of the Class Q-1 Securities, the aggregate principal amount of the Class Q-2A Securities or Class Q-2B Securities, as applicable or the consent of the Holders of each Outstanding Class Q Security adversely affected thereby as set forth above. Except for any proposed such supplement that would affect the terms of the Class Q-1 Securities, the Class Q-2A Securities or the Class Q-2B Securities as such and except as set forth above, Holders of Class Q-1 Securities, Class Q-2A Securities and Class Q-2B Securities shall be entitled to vote with respect to any supplemental indenture only (i) in the case of the Class Q-1 Securities, as Holders of the respective related Components and (ii) in the case of the Class Q-2 Securities to the extent the Holders of Class Q-2B Securities may exercise voting rights with respect to the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A. *See "The Class Q-2 Securities—Rights with respect to the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A."*

In the case of any modification of the Indenture that requires the consent of one or more holders of Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser will have the right to purchase the applicable Securities of any Non-consenting Holder (other than Class Q-2 Securities). *See "Amendment Buy-Out" above.*

Any such supplemental indenture that in the good faith determination of the Swap Counterparty adversely affects its rights or duties or creates, supplements, modifies, limits or eliminates any provision of the Indenture affecting the discretion, judgment, conduct, care or role of the Reference Portfolio Manager, including the Coverage Tests and provisions relating to calculations with respect to the Reference Portfolio, the Swap Counterparty's or the Reference Portfolio Manager's obligations or liabilities, fees or expenses payable by or reimbursable to it or the Reference Portfolio Manager, or otherwise adversely affects it or the Reference Portfolio Manager, will be deemed to adversely affect the Swap Counterparty and therefore will not be effective without the prior consent of the Swap Counterparty. Pursuant to the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement, the Swap Counterparty has agreed to withhold its consent, upon the request of the Reference Portfolio Manager, to any supplemental indenture that in the reasonable determination of the Reference Portfolio Manager so adversely affects the Reference Portfolio Manager. Under the Investment Agreement, the Issuer has agreed not to enter into certain modifications to the Indenture without the consent of the Investment Agreement Counterparty or Investment Agreement Guarantor.

Events of Default

An event of default (“Event of Default”) is defined in the Indenture as being:

1. a default in the payment, when due and payable, of the Interest Amount on any Class of Senior Notes, which default in each case shall continue for a period of five days; *provided* that (except on the Maturity Date or date of redemption in full of the Class B Notes or Class C Notes) the failure to pay the Interest Amount on any of the Class B Notes, Class C-1 Notes or Class C-2 Notes, as the case may be, because insufficient funds are available in accordance with the Priority of Payments will not constitute an Event of Default, so long as any more senior Class of Notes then remains Outstanding;
2. a default in the payment of principal of any Senior Note (and any Make-whole Premium, if applicable) on the Maturity Date, Optional Redemption Date or Indenture Tax Redemption Date; *provided* that, in the case of a default in such payment due solely to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee or any paying agent, such default continues for a period of five days;
3. a default in the payment of any net amounts owed by the Issuer to the Swap Counterparty under the Swap Agreement, which default shall continue for a period of two Business Days; *provided* that the failure to pay any amount payable to the Swap Counterparty pursuant to clause 13 or 15 of the Payment Date Priority of Payments or clause 16 or 17 of the Principal Priority of Payments because insufficient funds are available in accordance with such Priority of Payments will not constitute an Event of Default, so long as any Senior Notes are then Outstanding;
4. a failure to apply, within five days following any Payment Date or Maturity Date, Optional Redemption Date or Indenture Tax Redemption Date, available amounts in accordance with the Payment Date Priority of Payments or Principal Priority of Payments, as applicable, or a default in payment solely due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, which default continues for a period of five days;
5. the early termination of the Swap Agreement and the failure by the Issuer to enter into a replacement Swap Agreement within 60 days of such termination;
6. either of the Issuers or the Trust Estate becomes an investment company required to be registered under the Investment Company Act;
7. except as otherwise provided in this definition of “Event of Default,” a default in any respect in the performance, or a breach of any covenant, warranty or other agreement of the Issuers in the Indenture, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Issuers made in the Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant to or in connection with the Indenture to be correct in all respects when the same shall have been made, which default, breach or failure would have a material adverse effect on the Holders or beneficial owners of the Notes and continuance of such default, breach or failure for a period of 30 calendar days after written notice shall have been given as provided in the Indenture to the Issuers and the Swap Counterparty by the Trustee or to the Issuers, the Swap Counterparty and the Trustee by the Holders of more than 25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Senior Notes specifying such default, breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that such notice is a “Notice of Default” under the Indenture; or
8. certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or reorganization of either of the Issuers (as set forth in the Indenture).

An event of insolvency (and, therefore, an Event of Default of the type described in clause (8) above) could result if a decree or order is entered adjudging either the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition of either of the Issuers and such order or decree were not dismissed or stayed within 60 days. The filing of a petition against either of the Issuers under applicable bankruptcy law could adversely affect the rights of the Holders of the Securities to receive timely payments in respect of the Securities. Each of the other parties to the transaction, however, will covenant that it shall not, prior to the date that is one year and one day following the termination of the Indenture, take any action to have either of the Issuers placed into bankruptcy.

If an Event of Default under the Indenture (other than an Event of Default of the type described in clause (6) or clause (8) above) occurs and is continuing, the Trustee shall at the written direction of the Requisite Noteholders or the Swap Counterparty (unless the Swap Agreement has been terminated and all amounts owed to the Swap Counterparty thereunder have been paid in full or a Swap Event of Default as to which the Swap Counterparty is the defaulting party has occurred and is continuing while any Senior Notes are Outstanding) declare the principal of and any accrued interest on the Notes to be immediately due and payable. If an Event of Default of the type described in clause (6) or clause (8) above occurs, the principal of and accrued interest on the Notes automatically shall become immediately due and payable without any action of the Trustee or any other Person. The Requisite Noteholders, with the consent of the Swap Counterparty, may rescind a declaration of acceleration if the Event of Default has been cured and certain other conditions are satisfied.

Subject to the next succeeding paragraphs, upon any acceleration of the Notes, the Requisite Noteholders shall have the right to direct the Trustee to exercise the remedies provided for in the Indenture.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Eligible Investments in the Trust Accounts unless the Notes have been declared or have become due and payable as described above and one of the following conditions exists:

- (i) The Trustee determines that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Trust Estate would be sufficient to pay (a) to the appropriate Persons any accrued and unpaid Administrative Expenses, (b) to the Swap Counterparty all Accrued Swap Liabilities and (c) to the Holders of the Senior Notes the principal of and interest accrued on the Senior Notes to the date of acceleration. The Trustee shall make or cause to be made the calculation required by this paragraph promptly after the acceleration of the Notes and on each monthly anniversary thereafter. In the event that the conditions of clause (i) are satisfied, the Trustee shall promptly effect the sale or liquidation of the Trust Estate and apply the proceeds as described below;
- (ii) Unless the Swap Agreement has been terminated and the Swap Counterparty has been paid in full the amount owed to it thereunder or unless a Swap Event of Default as to which the Swap Counterparty is the defaulting party has occurred and is continuing while any Senior Notes are Outstanding, the Swap Counterparty at any time following the acceleration of the Notes directs the Trustee to sell or liquidate the Trust Estate; or
- (iii) If the Swap Agreement has been terminated and the Swap Counterparty has been paid in full the amount owed to it thereunder or if a Swap Event of Default as to which the Swap Counterparty is the defaulting party has occurred and is continuing while any Senior Notes are Outstanding, the Requisite Noteholders direct the Trustee at any time following the acceleration of the Notes to sell or liquidate the Trust Estate.

For purposes of clauses (i) and (iii) above, the amounts due and payable under the Swap Agreement will be calculated taking into account the amount of any accrued and unpaid Base Amount, Subordinate Amount and Incentive Amount, in each case as provided in the Swap Agreement.

If the Trustee commences or is required to commence the sale or liquidation of the Trust Estate substantially in its entirety (including at the direction of the Swap Counterparty or the Requisite Noteholders) following the acceleration of the Notes, the Swap Counterparty will be entitled to terminate the Swap Agreement, and the termination date for the Swap Agreement shall be the date on which the Trustee is so required to commence the sale or liquidation of the Trust Estate.

During any period following an Event of Default but prior to the liquidation of the Trust Estate, the Trustee will retain the Trust Estate intact, collect and cause the collection of the proceeds thereof and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all amounts in respect of the Trust Estate and Notes in accordance with the terms of the Indenture (including paying all amounts owed by the Issuer under the Swap Agreement and reinvestment of amounts in Eligible Investments in the Trust Accounts). Any such proceeds realized after the acceleration of the Notes will be distributed in accordance with the priority of payment provisions described in the succeeding paragraph.

Upon the acceleration of the Notes (whether or not the Trustee sells or liquidates the Trust Estate), the moneys in the Collection Account (and the moneys in all of the Trust Accounts in the case of a complete liquidation

of the Trust Estate) will thereafter be applied in the following order of priority, with each priority being fully paid prior to such proceeds being used to pay any lower priority:

- (1) to the payment of any accrued and unpaid Administrative Expenses (in the order set forth in the definition thereof) in an amount not exceeding the Expense Cap Amount;
- (2) to the Swap Counterparty, any accrued and unpaid Accrued Swap Liabilities except any Swap Termination Payment due to the Swap Counterparty upon the early termination of the Swap Agreement as a result of a Swap Event of Default as to which the Swap Counterparty is the defaulting party or as a result of a Swap Additional Termination Event;
- (3) after acceleration of the Notes but before the sale or liquidation of the Trust Estate, to the Collateral Account, to the extent required to maintain the same ratio between the Aggregate Reference Value and the sum of (i) Eligible Investments in the Collateral Account and (ii) moneys credited to the Collateral Account as the ratio in effect on the Closing Date between the Swap Notional Amount and the net proceeds realized from the sale of the Securities that were deposited into the Collateral Account;
- (4) to the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes, first accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-1 Notes to the date of acceleration and then the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1 Notes;
- (5) to the Holders of the Class A-2 Notes, first accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-2 Notes to the date of acceleration and then the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2 Notes;
- (6) to the Holders of the Class B Notes, first, accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest) on the Class B Notes to the date of acceleration and then, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B Notes;
- (7) first, on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes, accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest) on the Class C-1 Notes and to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes, accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest) on the Class C-2 Notes, to the date of acceleration and then, on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-1 Notes and to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-2 Notes;
- (8) to the Swap Counterparty, any Swap Termination Payment due to the Swap Counterparty, to the extent not paid pursuant to clause (2) above;
- (9) to the payment first, of any accrued and unpaid Administrative Expenses (in the order set forth in the definition thereof) to the extent not paid pursuant to clause (1) above and then, any accrued and unpaid Subordinated Administrative Expenses;
- (10) to the payment of any unpaid Extension Bonus Payments (i) first, to the applicable Holders of Class A-1 Notes, (ii) then, to the applicable Holders of Class A-2 Notes, (iii) then, to the applicable Holders of Class B Notes, and (iv) then, on a pro rata basis, to the applicable Holders of Class C-1 Notes and the applicable Holders of Class C-2 Notes; and
- (11) to the Holders of the Income Notes, any remaining funds.

Upon the acceleration of the Notes, if the Trust Estate has not been sold or liquidated, the funds in the Collection Account, if any, will be applied in accordance with the above priority of payments on each Payment Date. If the Trust Estate is sold or liquidated, a final distribution will be made pursuant thereto on the first Business Day following the last day on which an item of the Trust Estate is sold or liquidated (and no interim distributions will be made on any date (including on any Payment Date) during the sale or liquidation process).

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Indenture, no Holder of Income Notes shall be entitled to institute proceedings or to seek any other remedy under the Indenture unless all of the Senior Notes have been redeemed in full and the Swap Agreement has been terminated and any amounts owed to the Swap Counterparty thereunder have been paid in full.

Rights Under the Indenture

Except as provided herein in the case of the Requisite Noteholders, no Holder of any Note will have any right to institute any proceedings (judicial or otherwise) with respect to the Indenture or seek any remedy thereunder unless: (i) such Holder previously has given to the Trustee written notice of a continuing Event of Default, (ii) the Holders of at least 25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the most senior Class of Notes then Outstanding have made written request to the Trustee to institute such proceedings in respect of such Event of Default in its own name as Trustee, (iii) such Holder or Holders have offered the Trustee indemnity or security reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee in form and substance against the costs, expenses and liabilities to be incurred in complying with such request as provided in the Indenture, (iv) the Trustee has for 30 days after its receipt of such notice, request and offer of indemnity or security, failed to institute such proceedings and (v) if Holders of 50% or less of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the most senior Class of Notes have requested initiation of proceedings, no written direction inconsistent with such written request has been given to the Trustee during such 30-day period by the Holders of at least 25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the most senior Class of Notes then Outstanding. Any such proceedings will be subject to the limitations on the liquidation of the Trust Estate described above.

References to the most “senior” Class of Notes shall refer first to the Class A-1 Notes, so long as any Class A-1 Notes remain Outstanding, then to the Class A-2 Notes, so long as any Class A-2 Notes remain Outstanding, and then to the Class B Notes, so long as any Class B Notes remain Outstanding and then to the Class C-1 Notes and the Class C-2 Notes (voting as a single Class), so long as any Class C Notes remain Outstanding.

No Holder of Income Notes shall be entitled to institute proceedings or to seek any other remedy under the Indenture unless all of the Senior Notes have been redeemed in full and the Swap Agreement has been terminated and any amounts owed to the Swap Counterparty thereunder have been paid in full.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, Holders of Class Q-2 Securities shall have no right to take any action or exercise any remedy under the Indenture with respect to the Trust Estate, except to the extent of the rights of a holder of Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A.

Satisfaction and Discharge of the Indenture

Subject to certain limitations, the Indenture will be discharged (i) with respect to the obligations of the Issuers under the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities and the Trust Estate and (ii) with respect to the obligations of the Issuer under the Class Q-2 Securities and the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral, when all Securities have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation (with certain limitations), the Swap Agreement has been terminated, the Issuer has paid or caused to be paid all amounts payable under the Indenture (including amounts payable pursuant to the Swap Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement) and no other amount will become due and payable by the Issuers, and certain other requirements have been fulfilled.

Trustee and Collateral Administrator

JPMorgan Chase Bank will be the Trustee under the Indenture for the Securities and the Collateral Administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement. The Issuer, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Reference Portfolio Manager and their respective Affiliates may maintain other banking relationships in the ordinary course of business with the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator. The Trustee, the Collateral Administrator and/or its Affiliates may receive compensation in connection with the Trustee’s or the Collateral Administrator’s investment of assets in certain Eligible Investments as provided in the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement. *See “Risk Factors—Conflicts of Interest Involving the Swap Counterparty and Its Affiliates.”* Pursuant to the Collateral Administration Agreement with the Issuer (the “Collateral Administration Agreement”), JPMorgan Chase Bank, as Collateral Administrator will perform various functions including the compilation and delivery of reports described under “—Reports.” In compiling such reports and calculations, the Collateral Administrator will be assisted by the Swap Counterparty or the Reference Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Swap Counterparty, and will rely upon certain data and information provided by the Swap Counterparty or by the Reference Portfolio Manager on its behalf and will not independently verify such data or information so provided.

As compensation for the performance of its obligations under the Indenture, the Trustee will receive a fee (the “Trustee Fee”) and as compensation for the performance of its obligations under the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Collateral Administrator will receive a fee (the “Collateral Administrator Fee”) each payable on each Payment Date, and to the extent there are not sufficient funds available therefor on any Payment Date, on a subsequent Payment Date. The Trustee Fee and the Collateral Administrator Fee will accrue if unpaid (but without the accrual of any interest thereon) and be payable on the next Payment Date on which funds are available therefor in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Trustee will also receive reimbursement for expenses incurred by it in any Collection Period, other than those included within the Trustee Fee, in carrying out the provisions of the Indenture (the “Trustee Expenses”). The Collateral Administrator will also receive reimbursement for expenses incurred by it in any Collection Period, other than those included within the Collateral Administrator Fee, in carrying out the provisions of the Collateral Administration Agreement (the “Collateral Administrator Expenses”). Trustee Expenses and the Collateral Administrator Expenses will be payable on the Payment Date related to each such Collection Period, and to the extent there are not sufficient funds available therefor on any Payment Date, on a subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

The Trustee Fees, Trustee Expenses, Collateral Administrator Fees and Collateral Administrator Expenses are included in Administrative Expenses under the Priority of Payments (*see “—Priority of Payments”*).

The Trustee may resign at any time upon providing 30 days’ prior written notice to the Issuer, the Holders of the Securities, the Swap Counterparty, the Reference Portfolio Manager and each Rating Agency. The Trustee may be removed at any time by the Requisite Noteholders, with the consent of the Swap Counterparty (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld), (or, following the Maturity Date and distribution of the Trust Estate, the Class Q-2 Requisite Securityholders) or, as more fully set forth in the Indenture, by the Issuer in the event of certain bankruptcy or insolvency events with respect to the Trustee, or if the Trustee shall become incapable of acting. No resignation or removal of the Trustee shall become effective until the acceptance of appointment by a successor Trustee. In certain circumstances specified in the Indenture, if a successor Trustee has not been appointed by the Issuer, the retiring Trustee, the Swap Counterparty or any Holder of a Note may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee. In addition, the Indenture contains provisions for the indemnification of the Trustee for any loss, liability or expense incurred without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith on its part, arising out of or in connection with its duties under the Indenture.

#### Governing Law

The Indenture and the Securities will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York.

#### **The Investment Agreement**

As discussed herein, the Issuer is expected to invest the net proceeds of the issuance of the Securities, as well as certain other amounts deposited in the Collateral Account from time to time, in the Investment Agreement.

On or before the Closing Date, the Issuer and the Trustee will enter into an investment agreement (the “Investment Agreement”) among FSA Capital Management Services LLC (the “Investment Agreement Counterparty”), the Issuer and the Trustee. The obligations of the Investment Agreement Counterparty will be guaranteed pursuant to a financial guarantee insurance policy issued by Financial Security Assurance Inc. (the “Investment Agreement Guarantor”). Pursuant to the Investment Agreement, the Issuer will invest with the Investment Agreement Counterparty the net proceeds of the issuance of the Securities and will earn interest on this investment at the rate of LIBOR for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period, provided that for the first Periodic Interest Accrual Period, the rate will be 1.88230% per annum. The Issuer will also invest pursuant to the Investment Agreement other amounts deposited in the Collateral Account from time to time, subject to certain limitations provided in the Investment Agreement. The Trustee will be entitled to withdraw amounts invested under the Investment Agreement in order to make payments in accordance with the Indenture and under certain other circumstances set forth in the Investment Agreement. The Investment Agreement will terminate, and the remaining investment will be required to be repaid, on the earlier of the Maturity Date or the occurrence of certain events set forth in the Investment Agreement, including the downgrade of the long-term debt rating of the Investment Agreement Guarantor (or any successor guarantor) below specified levels (discussed below) and a subsequent



failure of the Investment Agreement Counterparty to either post collateral, transfer its rights and obligations under the Investment Agreement to another party with the specified long-term debt rating or deliver a replacement guarantee by a guarantor in the manner set forth below. The Issuer may be required to pay, as Administrative Expenses and subject to the Priority of Payments, certain losses or costs in the event the Issuer fails to invest certain amounts in the Investment Agreement after giving notice that it intends to make such investments.

If the Investment Agreement Guarantor (or any successor guarantor) does not maintain, so long as the Investment Agreement is in effect, long-term senior unsecured debt obligation ratings of at least “AA-” by S&P and “Aa3” by Moody’s, the Investment Agreement Counterparty will be required to post collateral, transfer the Investment Agreement to a party with such ratings or deliver a replacement guarantee by a guarantor with such ratings. If the Investment Agreement Counterparty fails to take any of such actions within a specified period, the Trustee may terminate the Investment Agreement.

The Investment Agreement memorializes an obligation solely between the Issuer, the Trustee and the Investment Agreement Counterparty. Holders of the Notes must rely solely upon the Trust Estate for payment of principal and interest thereon. Holders of the Securities shall have no direct right of recourse and shall have no direct right to assert a claim of any nature whatsoever against the Investment Agreement Counterparty (or any entity that provides to the Investment Agreement Counterparty credit enhancement or the benefit of a liquidity facility) or the Investment Agreement Guarantor or under the Investment Agreement.

#### The Investment Agreement Counterparty

FSA Capital Management Services LLC is a Delaware limited liability company formed to issue investment agreements and similar contracts (such as the Investment Agreement) to trustees and other parties. The Investment Agreement Counterparty’s offices are located at 350 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10022, and its telephone number at that location is (212) 893-2700.

#### The Investment Agreement Guarantor

*General.* Financial Security Assurance Inc. (“FSA”) is a monoline insurance company incorporated in 1984 under the laws of the State of New York. FSA is licensed to engage in financial guaranty insurance business in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands and Guam.

FSA and its subsidiaries are engaged in the business of writing financial guaranty insurance, principally in respect of securities offered in domestic and foreign markets and obligations under credit default swaps. Financial guaranty insurance provides a guaranty of scheduled payments on an issuer’s obligations – thereby enhancing the credit rating of those obligations – in consideration for the payment of a premium to the insurer. FSA and its subsidiaries principally insure asset-backed, collateralized and municipal obligations. Asset-backed obligations are typically supported by residential mortgage loans, consumer or trade receivables, securities or other assets having an ascertainable cash flow or market value. Collateralized obligations include public utility first mortgage bonds and sale/leaseback obligation bonds. Municipal obligations include general obligation bonds, special revenue bonds and other special obligations of state and local governments. Obligations may be insured on a funded basis through insurance of bonds or other securities or on an unfunded basis through insurance of credit default swaps referencing one or more bonds or other obligations (with or without a deductible or other provision for loss reduction). FSA insures both newly issued securities sold in the primary market and outstanding securities sold in the secondary market that satisfy FSA’s underwriting criteria.

FSA and the Investment Agreement Counterparty are wholly owned subsidiaries of Financial Security Assurance Holdings Ltd. (“Holdings”). Holdings is an indirect subsidiary of Dexia S.A., a publicly held Belgian corporation. Dexia S.A., through its bank subsidiaries, is primarily engaged in the business of public finance, banking and asset management in France, Belgium and other European countries. No shareholder of Holdings or FSA is obligated to pay any debt of FSA or any claim under any insurance policy issued by FSA or to make any additional contribution to the capital of FSA.

The principal executive offices of FSA are located at 350 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10022, and its telephone number at that location is (212) 826-0100.

*Reinsurance.* Under an intercompany agreement, liabilities on financial guaranty insurance written or reinsured from third parties by FSA or its domestic or Bermuda operating insurance company subsidiaries are generally reinsured among such companies on an agreed-upon percentage substantially proportional to their respective capital, surplus and reserves, subject to applicable statutory risk limitations. In addition, FSA reinsures a portion of its liabilities under certain of its financial guaranty insurance policies with other reinsurers under various treaties and on a transaction-by-transaction basis. This reinsurance is used by FSA as a risk management device and to comply with statutory and rating agency requirements; it does not alter or limit FSA's obligations under any financial guaranty insurance policy.

*Rating.* FSA's financial strength is rated "triple-A" by Moody's, Standard & Poor's, Fitch Ratings and Rating and Investment Information, Inc. These ratings reflect only the views of the respective rating agencies, are not recommendations to buy, sell, or hold securities and are subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by those rating agencies.

For further information concerning FSA, see the Consolidated Financial Statements of FSA and Subsidiaries, and the notes thereto. FSA's financial statements are included as exhibits to the Annual Report on Form 10-K and Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by Holdings and may be reviewed at the EDGAR web site maintained by the Securities and Exchange Commission and at Holdings's website, <http://www.FSA.com>, which website does not form part of this document. Copies of the statutory quarterly and annual statements filed with the State of New York Insurance Department by FSA are available upon request to the State of New York Insurance Department.

*Insurance Regulation.* FSA is licensed and subject to regulation as a financial guaranty insurance corporation under the laws of the State of New York, its state of domicile. In addition, FSA and its insurance subsidiaries are subject to regulation by insurance laws of the various other jurisdictions in which they are licensed to do business. As a financial guaranty insurance corporation licensed to do business in the State of New York, FSA is subject to Article 69 of the New York Insurance Law which, among other things, limits the business of a financial guaranty insurer to writing financial guaranty insurance and related business lines, requires each financial guaranty insurer to maintain a minimum surplus to policyholders, establishes contingency, loss and unearned premium reserve requirements for each financial guaranty insurer, and limits the size of individual transactions and the volume of transactions that may be underwritten by each financial guaranty insurer. Other provisions of the New York Insurance Law, applicable to non-life insurance companies such as FSA, regulate, among other things, permitted investments, payment of dividends, transactions with affiliates, mergers, consolidations, acquisitions or sales of assets and incurrence of liability for borrowings.

## DESCRIPTION OF THE SWAP AGREEMENT

*The following summary generally describes certain provisions of the Swap Agreement. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and is qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Swap Agreement, which is incorporated herein by reference.*

### General

On the Closing Date, the Issuer and the Swap Counterparty will enter into the Swap Agreement. All assets of the Issuer (except the Excluded Property and the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral) will be pledged to secure the obligations of the Issuer to the Swap Counterparty, and the Issuer's rights under the Swap Agreement will be pledged to secure the obligations of the Issuer with respect to the Notes.

The Swap Agreement will reference a portfolio of Reference Obligations, with each individual Reference Obligation consisting of or relating to a qualifying obligation of a Reference Entity and a related Reference Obligation Calculation Amount and Reference Price, as described in "*—Selection and Modification of the Reference Portfolio.*" The Reference Obligation Calculation Amount of each Reference Obligation (which will include both the drawn and undrawn portion of a revolving Reference Obligation) will be designated (subject to specified criteria) by the Reference Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Swap Counterparty upon its inclusion in the Reference Portfolio. The Reference Price will be determined as specified below.

As described below, the Issuer will be subject under the Swap Agreement to the credit risk of each Reference Entity. See "*Risk Factors—Exposure to Reference Obligations and Eligible Investments.*" The Issuer will also be subject to the credit risk of the Swap Counterparty because of the obligation of the Swap Counterparty to pay to the Issuer for each Payment Date the Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amount, if applicable. See "*—Selection and Modification of the Reference Portfolio*" and "*—Payments Under the Swap Agreement.*"

### Selection and Modification of the Reference Portfolio

The Reference Obligations to be included in the Reference Portfolio on the Closing Date, and their related Reference Obligation Calculation Amounts and Reference Prices, will be specified in the Swap Agreement. The Reference Portfolio, as constituted on the Closing Date, will be required to satisfy the Reference Portfolio Criteria.

The Reference Portfolio Manager, as agent for the Swap Counterparty, will select additional Reference Obligations to be included in the Reference Portfolio (and the Reference Obligation Calculation Amounts for those Reference Obligations) during the six-month Ramp-up Period. The Ramp-up Requirements must be satisfied following any such addition. The Issuer expects that by the date that is 90 days following the Closing Date, the Aggregate Reference Obligation Calculation Amount will be approximately U.S. \$800 million (not giving effect to any Amortizations of Reference Obligations prior to the Ramp-up End Date that have not been replaced with additional Reference Obligations). As of the Ramp-up End Date, the Issuer expects that (subject to market conditions) the Reference Portfolio will be comprised of Reference Obligations with an Aggregate Reference Obligation Calculation Amount of approximately U.S. \$900 million and that the Reference Portfolio as a whole will satisfy the Reference Portfolio Criteria. Except as otherwise noted herein, addition or removal of a Reference Obligation will be effective for all purposes of the Swap Agreement upon its Addition Date (which, in the case of Reference Obligations (other than Reference Swaps) added after the Closing Date, will be the date of determination of its Reference Price as described below) or its Removal Date (which will generally be the relevant Valuation Date for purposes of determining its Final Price), as the case may be.

### Additions

The Reference Portfolio Manager may on any Business Day during the Portfolio Modification Period add new Reference Obligations to the Reference Portfolio, subject to the satisfaction of the Portfolio Addition Criteria.

In addition, the Reference Portfolio Manager may, on any Business Day after the end of the Portfolio Modification Period and before the 45<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the Swap Termination Date, add new Reference Obligations to the Reference Portfolio solely for the purpose of replacing Reference Obligations for which an

unscheduled Amortization has occurred or which are Credit Improved Obligations, subject to (i) the satisfaction of the Portfolio Addition Criteria and (ii) each such additional Reference Obligation having a Rating by each Rating Agency at least equal to that of the replaced Reference Obligation at the time of the replacement and a maturity or final termination date no later than that of the replaced Reference Obligation; *provided* that any such addition occurs within 30 calendar days of the related Amortization or removal of a Credit Improved Obligation.

The "Portfolio Addition Criteria" are as follows:

- (1) The new Reference Obligation must satisfy the Reference Obligation Eligibility Criteria as of its Addition Date;
- (2) Immediately following such addition, the Reference Portfolio must satisfy the Reference Portfolio Criteria (or if any criterion was not satisfied immediately prior to such addition, such criterion must be no further from compliance immediately following such addition; *provided* that after the end of the Portfolio Modification Period, clauses 2 and 17-23 of the Reference Portfolio Criteria must be satisfied immediately following any addition);
- (3) Immediately following such addition, each of the Coverage Tests must be satisfied (or, solely in the case of an addition during the Portfolio Modification Period, if any such test was not satisfied immediately prior to such addition, such test must be no further from compliance immediately following such addition);
- (4) The Aggregate Reference Value of the Reference Portfolio immediately following such addition must not exceed the Swap Notional Amount as of such date; and
- (5) The S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied immediately following such addition (or, if the test was not satisfied immediately prior to such addition, such test must be no further from compliance immediately following such addition).

## Removals

The Reference Portfolio Manager may on any Business Day during the Ramp-up Period or the Portfolio Modification Period remove existing Reference Obligations from the Reference Portfolio, in whole or in part; *provided* that (a) the resulting Obligation Value Reduction Amount would be zero; and (b) the Reference Portfolio Manager reasonably believes as of the proposed Removal Date (and so notifies the Swap Counterparty) that it will be able within 30 calendar days of the proposed Removal Date to add one or more replacement Reference Obligations that meet the following conditions:

- (1) Such replacement Reference Obligations would satisfy clause (1) of the Portfolio Addition Criteria and immediately following the addition of such replacement Reference Obligations, clauses (4) and (5) of the Portfolio Addition Criteria would be satisfied;
- (2) Immediately following the addition of such replacement Reference Obligations, the Reference Portfolio would satisfy the Reference Portfolio Criteria (or if any criterion was not satisfied immediately prior to the proposed removal, such criterion would be no further from compliance immediately following the addition of such replacement Reference Obligations); and
- (3) Immediately following the addition of such replacement Reference Obligations, the Coverage Tests would be satisfied (or if any such test was not satisfied immediately prior to the proposed removal, such criterion would be no further from compliance immediately following the addition of such replacement Reference Obligations).

Following the end of the Portfolio Modification Period, the Reference Portfolio Manager may remove a Reference Obligation only if the resulting Obligation Value Reduction Amount would be zero.

In addition to the above requirements, the aggregate Reference Obligation Calculation Amount of Reference Obligations removed from the Reference Portfolio that are not Credit Improved Obligations, Credit Risk

Obligations, Defaulted Reference Obligations or Equity Securities in any one-year period may not exceed 30% of the Portfolio Calculation Amount as of the beginning of such period; *provided* that if at any time the rating of any Class of Senior Notes has been qualified, downgraded or withdrawn from that in effect on the Closing Date (and not reinstated), the Reference Portfolio Manager will not be entitled to remove from the Reference Portfolio Reference Obligations other than Credit Improved Obligations, Credit Risk Obligations, Current Pay Obligations, Equity Securities or Defaulted Reference Obligations.

The Reference Portfolio Manager shall be entitled, without regard to the foregoing restrictions, to remove on any Business Day any Reference Obligation that has become a Credit Risk Obligation or Defaulted Reference Obligation since its Addition Date, that was not eligible to be included in the Reference Portfolio as of its Addition Date or that is an Equity Security.

#### **Amortization of Reference Obligations**

The Reference Obligation Calculation Amount (and, correspondingly, the Reference Value) for any Reference Obligation will be reduced to reflect any Amortization (without duplication of any other removal of a Reference Obligation). Amounts repaid under a Revolving Loan will not be considered Amortizations to the extent that the facility can subsequently be redrawn pursuant to its terms. With respect to a Defaulted Reference Obligation, all amounts actually paid to holders thereof (and only such amounts) will constitute an Amortization until the related Reference Obligation Calculation Amount is reduced to zero, following which such amounts shall constitute Interest Return; *provided* that with respect to a Defaulted Reference Obligation that is a Revolving Loan, any cancellation or reduction of commitment as a result of becoming a Defaulted Reference Obligation will also constitute an Amortization.

#### **Restructuring, Conversion or Exchange of Reference Obligations**

In the event that prior to the earlier of the applicable Removal Date and the 45<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the Swap Termination Date, a Reference Obligation is restructured or converted or exchanged into or for any securities, obligations or assets (such resulting securities, obligations or assets, "Exchange Consideration") (other than in accordance with the terms of such Reference Obligation in effect as of its Addition Date, but including without limitation as a result of a workout or restructuring of such obligation), the Reference Portfolio Manager will be entitled to replace such Reference Obligation in the Reference Portfolio with the applicable portion of such Exchange Consideration, which will thereupon constitute a Reference Obligation (regardless of whether it would otherwise satisfy the Reference Obligation Eligibility Criteria or the Portfolio Addition Criteria; *provided* that for purposes of the Coverage Tests and the Reference Portfolio Criteria, only such portion of the Exchange Consideration that would otherwise satisfy the Reference Obligation Eligibility Criteria will constitute a Reference Obligation). Such replacement will constitute a removal of the restructured, converted or exchanged Reference Obligation, and accordingly an Obligation Value Reduction Amount or Obligation Value Increase Amount for such obligation will be determined upon such restructuring, conversion or exchange (with the Final Price being determined with respect to the relevant Exchange Consideration and taking into account any difference in Reference Obligation Calculation Amount). If any Exchange Consideration is an Equity Security, the Reference Portfolio Manager will use commercially reasonable efforts to remove such Equity Security from the Reference Portfolio no later than the fifth anniversary of its inclusion in the Reference Portfolio (unless the Swap Counterparty otherwise consents in writing) and upon such removal determine the Obligation Value Increase Amount or Obligation Value Reduction Amount, as applicable; *provided* that if such Equity Security is "margin stock" as defined in Regulation U of the Federal Reserve Board, the Reference Portfolio Manager will use commercially reasonable efforts to remove such Equity Security from the Reference Portfolio within 45 days of its inclusion in the Reference Portfolio or the date on which it becomes margin stock, whichever is later; *provided, further*, that if at any time the value of such Equity Security or Securities received as Exchange Consideration equals or exceeds the Obligation Value Reduction Amount for the Reference Obligation in respect of which the Exchange Consideration was received, the Reference Portfolio Manager will use commercially reasonable efforts to remove at such time such Equity Security or Securities from the Reference Portfolio. In addition, if the issuer of such an Equity Security declares a dividend with respect thereto, the Reference Portfolio Manager will use commercially reasonable efforts to remove such Equity Security from the Reference Portfolio prior to the "ex-dividend" date thereof. In the event the Reference Portfolio Manager, using its commercially reasonable efforts, is unable to remove any obligation in the required time frame as described in this paragraph, the Swap Counterparty may remove such obligation and determine the Final Price in connection therewith.

### Valuation of Reference Obligations

Upon the removal of all or a portion of a Reference Obligation from the Reference Portfolio by the Reference Portfolio Manager, upon an Amortization of a Reference Obligation (other than a Reference Swap), for each Reference Obligation included in the Reference Portfolio on the 45<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the Swap Termination Date and for each Reference Swap that terminates in accordance with its terms prior to its scheduled maturity date (including as a result of a default thereunder), the Swap Counterparty, or the Reference Portfolio Manager acting on its behalf, will determine the Obligation Value Increase Amount or Obligation Value Reduction Amount for that Reference Obligation. The “Obligation Value Increase Amount” or “Obligation Value Reduction Amount” will generally equal the increase or decrease, as the case may be, of the market value of the Reference Obligation during the period in which it was included in the Reference Portfolio, and specifically will be determined as follows:

1. In the case of (x) a Reference Obligation (other than a Reference Swap) removed from the Reference Portfolio by the Reference Portfolio Manager or (y) a Reference Obligation (other than a Reference Swap) included in the Reference Portfolio as of the 45<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the Swap Termination Date, the Obligation Value Increase Amount will be equal to (A) the relevant Reference Obligation Calculation Amount (or the applicable portion thereof) multiplied by (B) the applicable Final Price minus the applicable Reference Price. If such amount would be negative, the Obligation Value Increase Amount will be zero, and the absolute value of such amount will be the Obligation Value Reduction Amount.

2. In the case of a Reference Obligation (other than a Reference Swap) for which an Amortization has occurred, the Obligation Value Increase Amount will be equal to (1) 100% (or, if the amount receivable in respect of the Amortization reflects a premium to par (including, without limitation, as a result of a make-whole amount), a percentage reflecting such premium) minus the applicable Reference Price multiplied by (2) the amount of the reduction in the Reference Obligation Calculation Amount as a result of the Amortization. If such amount would be negative, the Obligation Value Increase Amount will be zero, and the absolute value of such amount will be the Obligation Value Reduction Amount.

3. In the case of a Reference Obligation that is a Reference Swap that (1) is removed from the Reference Portfolio by the Reference Portfolio Manager (except in the case of a settlement thereunder as described below), (2) is included in the Reference Portfolio as of the 45<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the Swap Termination Date or (3) is terminated in accordance with its terms prior to its scheduled termination date (including, without limitation, as a result of an event of default thereunder) and not replaced by a substantially equivalent Reference Swap, the amount, if any, as determined by the Swap Counterparty, that would be payable by the protection buyer (or total return payer) to the protection seller (or total return receiver) in respect to the termination of such Reference Swap (or the applicable portion thereof) under the terms of the ISDA Master Agreement will be the Obligation Value Increase Amount, or if such an amount would be payable by the protection seller (or total return receiver) to the protection buyer (or total return payer), such amount will be the Obligation Value Reduction Amount. For purposes of this determination the Swap Counterparty will attempt to obtain quotations of such amount from at least two Dealers.

The Reference Prices of the Reference Obligations included in the Reference Portfolio on the Closing Date will be set forth in the Swap Agreement. The “Reference Price” of any Reference Obligation (other than a Reference Swap) that is added to the Reference Portfolio after the Closing Date will be the price thereof (expressed as a percentage) determined by the Reference Portfolio Manager in respect of its Addition Date based on the lowest Quotation obtained on the relevant day for a portion of the Reference Obligation corresponding to the Reference Obligation Calculation Amount. The Reference Portfolio Manager will attempt to obtain such Quotations from at least two Dealers (or, if the Swap Counterparty or one of its Affiliates is a Dealer, at least three Dealers) on the same Business Day beginning on the proposed Addition Date. If only one such Quotation is obtained (or, if the Swap Counterparty or one of its Affiliates is a Dealer, only two such Quotations are obtained) on any such day, such Quotation (or if the Swap Counterparty or one of its Affiliates is a Dealer and two Quotations are obtained, the lower such Quotation) will be the Reference Price only if such Quotation is equal to or lower than the relevant price quotation for such Reference Obligation quoted on the Pricing Source as of that day.

The “Final Price” for a Reference Obligation will be the price thereof (expressed as a percentage) determined by the Reference Portfolio Manager in respect of its Valuation Date based on the highest Quotation obtained on the relevant day for a portion of the Reference Obligation corresponding to the Reference Obligation

Calculation Amount. The Reference Portfolio Manager will attempt to obtain such Quotations with respect to the Valuation Date from at least two Dealers (or, if the Swap Counterparty or one of its Affiliates is a Dealer, at least three Dealers) on the same Business Day. If the Reference Portfolio Manager obtains only one such Quotation (or, if the Swap Counterparty or one of its Affiliates is a Dealer, only two such Quotations) on such Business Day, such Quotation (or, if the Swap Counterparty or one of its Affiliate is a Dealer and two Quotations are obtained, the higher such Quotation) will be the Final Price only if it is equal to or higher than the relevant price quotation for such Reference Obligation quoted on the Pricing Source as of that day. If the Reference Portfolio Manager is unable to obtain at least two Quotations (or, if the Swap Counterparty or its Affiliate is a Dealer, at least three Quotations) on the same Business Day (or a Quotation described in the preceding sentence) on or prior to the tenth consecutive Business Day following the Valuation Date, then the Final Price will be the price determined by the Reference Portfolio Manager with the consent of the Swap Counterparty.

The “Valuation Date” for purposes of determining the Final Price will generally be the applicable Removal Date, or, in the case of Reference Obligations included in the Reference Portfolio as of the 45<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the Swap Termination Date, such day. In the case of a Reference Obligation included in the Reference Portfolio as of the 45<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the Swap Termination Date, such obligation will be deemed removed from the Reference Portfolio when its Obligation Value Reduction Amount or Obligation Value Increase Amount has been determined. If the Swap Counterparty provides notice that the highest Quotation with respect to a Reference Obligation is not *bona fide* because of the insolvency of the bidder or the inability, failure or refusal of the bidder to settle transactions in the relevant market or perform its obligations generally, then a new Valuation Date with respect to such Reference Obligation will be scheduled by the Swap Counterparty.

As more fully set forth in the Swap Agreement, a “Quotation” for purposes of determining a Reference Price or Final Price will be a firm offer quotation (in the case of the Reference Price) or firm bid quotation (in the case of the Final Price), in each case expressed as a percentage, obtained from a Dealer at a time designated by the Reference Portfolio Manager with an outstanding principal amount (or, in the case of a Reference Obligation that is or contains an Unfunded Commitment, a Commitment Amount) equal to or greater than the relevant Reference Obligation Calculation Amount. In the case of a loan, Quotations will be solicited on a “trades flat” basis under which the buyer of the Reference Obligation will be entitled to all accrued and unpaid interest and commitment, facility, letter of credit and other similar fees with respect to the Reference Obligation accruing after the applicable trade date. In the case of a Bond or Reference CLN, Quotations will exclude accrued interest. Quotations will exclude any Assignment Fees in respect of the relevant Reference Obligation.

As described above, upon the early termination of a Reference Obligation that is a Reference Swap in accordance with its terms (including as a result of an event of default thereunder by the protection buyer or total return payer), an Obligation Value Increase Amount or Obligation Value Reduction Amount will be determined as in the case of the removal of a Reference Swap. The Issuer will not be subject to the credit risk of a default by the protection buyer (or total return payer) under a Reference Swap with respect to such termination. For purposes of a Reference Obligation that is a Reference Swap or Reference CLN, the determination of whether a Credit Event has occurred will be made, among other categories, with respect to the Underlying Obligation for such Reference Swap or Reference CLN (as provided in the definition of “Credit Event”). If a Reference Swap or Reference CLN provides for a cash settlement or a physical settlement under the terms thereof with respect to an Underlying Obligation (including as a result of such a Credit Event with respect thereto), such Reference Swap or Reference CLN will be deemed removed from the Reference Portfolio with a Removal Date of the valuation date or delivery date under such Reference Swap or Reference CLN, and the Obligation Value Reduction Amount or Obligation Value Increase Amount will be calculated with respect to such Underlying Obligation as though it were the Reference Obligation being removed (with the Reference Price being the applicable reference price or initial price for that obligation under the Reference Swap or Reference CLN). If such a Reference Swap or Reference CLN has multiple Underlying Obligations, an Obligation Value Reduction Amount or Obligation Value Increase Amount will be determined separately for each Underlying Obligation for which such a cash settlement or physical settlement occurs, and the Reference Swap or Reference CLN will remain in effect with respect to the other Underlying Obligations.

In the case of a PIK Obligation for which interest has been capitalized or deferred, for purposes of the calculation of an Obligation Value Increase Amount or Obligation Value Reduction Amount, the Reference Price will be recalculated as a percentage of the Reference Obligation Calculation Amount as of the time of removal or

Amortization. In the case of a Structured Finance Obligation with respect to which there has been a Principal Write-Down, a portion of such Structured Finance Obligation with a Reference Obligation Calculation Amount corresponding to the amount of the reduction in principal amount will be deemed removed from the Reference Portfolio as of the date of such Principal Write-Down with a Final Price of zero and an Obligation Value Reduction Amount will be calculated in respect thereof pursuant to clause (1) under the “*Valuation of Reference Obligations*” section. For purposes of determining an Obligation Value Reduction Amount or Obligation Value Increase Amount, the Reference Portfolio Manager will be entitled to deem multiple Reference Obligations that consist of the same Loan or Bond to be a single Reference Obligation, with a Reference Obligation Calculation Amount equal to the sum of the Reference Obligation Calculation Amounts of such multiple Reference Obligations, and a Reference Price equal to the weighted average of the Reference Prices of such multiple Reference Obligations.

In taking any or all of the actions described above, the Reference Portfolio Manager will act solely on behalf of the Swap Counterparty (and not on behalf of the Issuer). See “*Risk Factors—Role of the Reference Portfolio Manager.*”

### **Payments Under the Swap Agreement**

Under the terms of the Swap Agreement, for each Payment Date during the term thereof, the Swap Counterparty will be required to pay the Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amount to the Issuer (or, if such amount is negative, the Issuer will be required to pay the absolute value of such amount to the Swap Counterparty). In addition, on each Payment Date the Issuer will be obligated to pay to the Swap Counterparty the Fixed Amount.

The Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amount and the Fixed Amount for any Payment Date will be combined into a single net payment to be made by either the Swap Counterparty or the Issuer to the other. If such net amount for any Payment Date is payable by the Swap Counterparty, it will be payable on the Business Day prior to the applicable Payment Date.

The net amount paid by the Swap Counterparty, if any, in respect of these amounts for a Payment Date will be credited to the Collection Account and distributed by the Trustee in accordance with the Indenture. Net payments of such amounts by the Issuer to the Swap Counterparty may be paid from proceeds of the liquidation of Eligible Investments in the Trust Estate. See “*Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.*” Pursuant to the Indenture, an amount equal to the Quarterly Aggregate Increase Amount, if any, for any Payment Date will be deposited in the Collateral Account.

If any payment made by the Swap Counterparty is subject to any deduction or withholding for or on account of an Indemnifiable Tax, the Swap Counterparty will be obligated to gross-up such payment for any such deduction or withholding. Conversely, if any payment made by the Issuer under the Swap Agreement is subject to any deduction or withholding for or on account of an Indemnifiable Tax, the Issuer will be obligated to gross-up such payment for any such deduction or withholding.

### **Swap Notional Amount**

The “Swap Notional Amount” will initially equal U.S. \$895,500,000. On each Payment Date prior to the end of the Portfolio Modification Period, the Swap Notional Amount will be increased by the Quarterly Aggregate Increase Amount, if any, for such date or reduced by the Quarterly Aggregate Reduction Amount, if any, for such date. After the end of the Portfolio Modification Period, the Swap Notional Amount will be reduced on each Payment Date by the Swap Reduction Amount, if any, for that date. With respect to a Payment Date following the end of the Portfolio Modification Period, the following amounts will constitute a “Swap Reduction Amount”:

- (i) On the first Payment Date following the end of the Portfolio Modification Period, an amount equal to the Swap Notional Amount as of the end of the Portfolio Modification Period minus the Aggregate Reference Value as of the end of the Portfolio Modification Period; and
- (ii) On any subsequent Payment Date (without duplication of any Swap Reduction Amount pursuant to clause (i)), the aggregate of (A) for a Reference Obligation for which an Amortization occurs during the related Collection Period, the amount of the reduction in the Reference Value of such Reference Obligation as a result of such Amortization and (B) for a Reference Obligation that is removed from the



Reference Portfolio with an Accrual Date during the related Collection Period, the amount of the Reference Value of such Reference Obligation so removed, in either case as any such Reference Value may be offset by the Reference Value of any replacement Reference Obligation.

### **Defaulted Reference Obligations**

A Reference Obligation will constitute a “Defaulted Reference Obligation” if (i) a Credit Event has occurred and is continuing with respect thereto, (ii) there has been effected any distressed exchange or other debt restructuring where the Reference Entity of the Reference Obligation has offered the holders thereof a new security or instrument or package of securities or instruments that, in the reasonable business judgment of the Reference Portfolio Manager, either (x) amounts to a diminished financial obligation or (y) has the sole purpose of enabling the Reference Entity to avoid a default, (iii) it is rated “D”, “SD”, “C” or “CC” by S&P or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn, (iv) in the case of a Structured Finance Obligation, it is rated “Ca” or “C” by Moody’s or (v) in the case of a Structured Finance Obligation, there is a reduction in payments made to holders thereof from those required or scheduled to be made thereunder or there is a permanent reduction in the stated principal amount thereof without a corresponding payment being made to the holder thereof (a “Principal Write-Down”). Neither a DIP Loan nor a Current Pay Obligation will be considered a Defaulted Reference Obligation solely because a Bankruptcy has occurred with respect to the Reference Entity. As specified in the Swap Agreement, a “Credit Event” means the occurrence of one or more of the following events with respect to a Reference Entity or a Reference Obligation: (i) a Failure to Pay or (ii) a Bankruptcy; *provided* that in the case of a Reference Swap or Reference CLN, a Credit Event will be deemed to occur if (a) a credit event occurs under the terms thereof with respect to an Underlying Obligation or a Reference Entity, (b) a Bankruptcy occurs with respect to the counterparty thereto or issuer thereof or (c) a Failure to Pay occurs with respect to such Reference Swap or Reference CLN itself.

If an occurrence would otherwise constitute a Credit Event, such occurrence will constitute a Credit Event whether or not such occurrence arises directly or indirectly from (i) any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of a Reference Entity to enter into any Reference Obligation, (ii) any actual or alleged unenforceability, illegality, impossibility or invalidity with respect to any Reference Obligation, however described, (iii) any applicable law, order, regulation, decree or notice however described, or the promulgation of, or any change in, the interpretation by any court, tribunal, regulatory authority or similar administrative or judicial body with competent or apparent jurisdiction of any applicable law, order, regulation, decree or notice, however described, or (iv) the imposition of or any change in any exchange controls, capital restrictions or any other similar restrictions imposed by any monetary or other authority, however described.

The Reference Portfolio Manager will not be obligated to remove Defaulted Reference Obligations from the Reference Portfolio. The presence of Defaulted Reference Obligations in the Reference Portfolio will, however, generally reduce the Overcollateralization Ratios. *See “Description of the Securities—The Coverage Tests.”*

### **Termination of the Swap Agreement**

The Swap Agreement will terminate in accordance with its terms, with no further obligations (other than certain indemnification and expense reimbursement obligations) of either party to the other, upon the earlier of (i) the date as of which the Swap Notional Amount is reduced to zero and (ii) the Swap Termination Date. In the case of an Optional Redemption or Indenture Tax Redemption, the Swap Termination Date will be accelerated to the Optional Redemption Date or Indenture Tax Redemption Date, as the case may be.

### **Early Termination of the Swap Agreement**

The Swap Agreement will be subject to early termination by the Issuer upon, among others, any of the following events: (i) a payment default by the Swap Counterparty lasting a period of at least one Business Day after notice thereof is given to the Swap Counterparty, (ii) merger without assumption by the surviving entity of the obligations of the Swap Counterparty under the Swap Agreement, (iii) bankruptcy-related events applicable to the Swap Counterparty, (iv) upon the downgrade of its rating below certain levels described below, the failure of the Swap Counterparty to deliver collateral or take other permitted remedial actions, (v) illegality of the Swap Agreement, (vi) tax event upon merger or (vii) certain withholding tax events under the Swap Agreement.

The Swap Agreement will be subject to early termination by the Swap Counterparty upon, among others, any of the following events: (i) a payment default by the Issuer lasting a period of at least one Business Day after notice thereof is given to the Issuer, (ii) merger without assumption by the surviving entity of the obligations of the Issuer under the Swap Agreement, (iii) bankruptcy-related events applicable to the Issuer, (iv) illegality of the Swap Agreement, (v) tax event upon merger or certain withholding tax events under the Swap Agreement, (vi) commencement of the sale or liquidation of the Trust Estate substantially in its entirety under the Indenture or (vii) any amendments to the Indenture without the prior written consent of the Swap Counterparty (where such consent was required).

Upon an early termination of the Swap Agreement, the Issuer or the Swap Counterparty may be required to make a termination payment (a "Swap Termination Payment") to the other party. Such a Swap Termination Payment will be calculated on the basis of the "Close-out Amount" as defined in the ISDA Master Agreement, and will serve to compensate the party that is "in-the-money" (which may be the defaulting or affected party, as applicable) for the replacement cost of the terminated Swap Agreement. "Close-out Amount" generally means, with respect to a party, the amount that the party reasonably determines in good faith to be its total losses and costs in replacing the terminated swap agreement. Depending on current market conditions at the time of such early termination, substantial termination payments could be owed by the Issuer to the Swap Counterparty, thereby reducing funds in the Collateral Account. Accordingly, if the Issuer is not able to enter into a replacement swap agreement that provides an offsetting payment, amounts available for payments to Holders of Securities may be reduced.

The Swap Agreement will provide that if Moody's downgrades the Swap Counterparty (or its guarantor, if applicable) below the Moody's Required Ratings, then the Swap Counterparty shall, within five Business Days of notice thereof from the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer, post, solely at the expense of the Swap Counterparty, collateral pursuant to a Credit Support Annex in an amount equal to either (i) the greater of (A) the mark-to-market value of the transaction, (B) the amount due by the Swap Counterparty under the transaction on the next Payment Date or (C) one percent of the Swap Notional Amount or (ii) such lesser amount as Moody's confirms will not result in a qualification, downgrade or withdrawal of the then-current ratings of any Class of Securities of the Issuer then rated by Moody's. The Swap Agreement will also provide that if the Swap Counterparty (or such guarantor) has a short-term and a long-term rating from Moody's and the short-term rating of the Swap Counterparty (or such guarantor) from Moody's is "P-2" or lower or the long-term rating of the Swap Counterparty (or such guarantor) from Moody's is withdrawn, suspended or downgraded below "A3", or, if the Swap Counterparty (or such guarantor) has only a long-term rating from Moody's, the long-term rating of the Swap Counterparty (or such guarantor) from Moody's is withdrawn, suspended or downgraded below "A2", then the Swap Counterparty shall, in addition to posting collateral, arrange within 30 days after notice thereof from the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer, (x) to assign or transfer its rights and obligations with respect to the Swap Agreement to another swap counterparty that has (or is guaranteed by a person that has) the Moody's Required Ratings and is acceptable to the Issuer or (y) undertake any other action (other than posting additional collateral) as Moody's confirms will not result in a qualification, downgrade or withdrawal of the then-current ratings of any Class of Securities of the Issuer then rated by such Rating Agency. The Swap Agreement will also provide that if the short-term rating of the Swap Counterparty (or such guarantor) from S&P is withdrawn, suspended or downgraded below "A-1+" (the "S&P Required Rating"), then the Swap Counterparty will be required, within 30 days after notice thereof from the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer, to (x) post collateral pursuant to a Credit Support Annex in an amount equal to 133% of the amount due by the Swap Counterparty under the transaction on the next Payment Date or such lesser amount as S&P confirms will not result in a qualification, downgrade or withdrawal of its then-current rating on any Class of Securities then rated by S&P, (y) obtain a guarantor of its obligations under the Swap Agreement that has, or assign or transfer its rights and obligations with respect to the Swap Agreement to another swap counterparty that has (or whose obligations will be guaranteed by a party that has) the S&P Required Rating and is acceptable to the Issuer and which S&P confirms will not result in a qualification, downgrade or withdrawal of the then-current ratings of any Class of Securities of the Issuer then rated by S&P or (z) undertake any other action (other than posting additional collateral) as S&P confirms will not result in a qualification, downgrade or withdrawal of the then-current ratings of any Class of Securities of the Issuer then rated by S&P. Certain expenses of the Swap Counterparty in connection with the assignment or transfer of the Swap Agreement or certain other remedial actions in these circumstances will be reimbursed as Administrative Expenses. Failure to take these actions within the applicable time periods following such downgrading will constitute a "Termination Event" under the Swap Agreement for which the Swap Counterparty will be the sole affected party.

Upon the early termination of the Swap Agreement as a result of a Swap Event of Default with respect to the Swap Counterparty or Swap Additional Termination Event, and so long as the Notes have not been accelerated, the Issuer will, subject to the Indenture, attempt to arrange to replace the Swap Agreement. In such event, the Reference Portfolio Manager may, in its discretion, assist the Issuer in its efforts to arrange for a replacement swap agreement, with itself as Reference Portfolio Manager. Any replacement swap agreement must be approved by both (i) the holders of a majority of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Senior Notes (voting together as a single class) and (ii) the holders of a majority of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Income Notes.

### **Extension of the Swap Agreement**

The Swap Counterparty may, at its option, on the Extension Effective Date extend the Portfolio Modification Period for four years to August 1, 2015 and correspondingly extend the term of the Swap Agreement for four years to August 1, 2020, subject to the satisfaction of the Extension Conditions. The Swap Counterparty will give notice of its election to extend the Portfolio Modification Period and the term of the Swap Agreement to the Trustee no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to the Extension Effective Date.

The extension of the Portfolio Modification Period and the term of the Swap Agreement will be conditioned on satisfaction of the Extension Conditions.

An extension of the term of the Swap Agreement causes an automatic corresponding extension of the maturity of the Securities. *See "Description of the Securities—Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities and Extension of Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities."*

### **Modification of Swap Agreement**

Pursuant to the Indenture, the Issuer will not generally be permitted to enter into an amendment to the Swap Agreement without the consent of the Holders of a majority of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Notes; *provided that*, without the consent of any Holders of the Notes, the Issuer may agree to amend the Swap Agreement in order to:

- (i) cure any ambiguity, or correct, modify or supplement any provision thereof which is defective or inconsistent with any other provision therein or of this Offering Circular;
- (ii) take any action necessary or helpful to prevent the Issuer from becoming subject to any withholding or other taxes or assessments or to reduce the risk that the Issuer will be engaged in a United States trade or business or otherwise subject to United States federal income tax on a net income basis; or
- (iii) amend, modify or change any test or requirement of any Rating Agency under the Swap Agreement where such amendment, modification or change has been specified or authorized by such Rating Agency (and notice thereof has been provided to the Trustee, Swap Counterparty and Reference Portfolio Manager).

In the case of any modification of the Swap Agreement that requires the consent of one or more holders of Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser will have the right to purchase the applicable Securities of any Non-consenting Holder. *See "Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out" above.*

Under the Investment Agreement, the Issuer has agreed not to make certain modifications to the Swap Agreement without the consent of the Investment Agreement Counterparty or Investment Agreement Guarantor.

### **Documentation**

The Swap Agreement will be documented under an ISDA Master Agreement between the Issuer and the Swap Counterparty, together with a schedule thereto and a confirmation thereunder.

### **Governing Law**

The Swap Agreement will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York.

## THE REFERENCE PORTFOLIO

The Reference Portfolio will be selected and modified from time to time by the Reference Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Swap Counterparty (and not on behalf of the Issuer) pursuant to the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement. *See “Description of the Swap Agreement—Selection and Modification of the Reference Portfolio.”* The Reference Portfolio will consist primarily of Reference Obligations that are Term Loans and Term Loan/Revolving Loan combinations acquired at or about the same time as part of the same investment decision, Bonds and/or credit-linked instruments based on such obligations. On the Closing Date, the Issuer expects the Aggregate Reference Obligation Calculation Amount to be approximately U.S. \$770 million. As of the Ramp-up End Date, the Issuer expects (subject to market conditions) that the Reference Portfolio will be comprised of Reference Obligations with an Aggregate Reference Value approximately equal to U.S. \$895 million (but in no event greater than the initial Swap Notional Amount).

### Eligible Reference Obligations

An obligation will be eligible for inclusion in the Reference Portfolio as a Reference Obligation if, as of its Addition Date (or for Reference Obligations included in the Reference Portfolio as of the Closing Date, at the Closing Date), it is one of the following: (i) a Term Loan or a participation in a Term Loan, (ii) a Revolving Loan or a participation in a Revolving Loan, (iii) a Bond (including a Structured Finance Obligation), (iv) a Reference Swap or (v) a Reference CLN; *provided that* in the case of (i), (ii) or (iii), such obligation, or in the case of (iv) or (v), each relevant Underlying Obligation (and, where expressly noted below, such Reference Swap or Reference CLN itself, as the case may be) must also satisfy the following criteria (the “Reference Obligation Eligibility Criteria”):

1. The obligation is denominated and payable only in U.S. \$.
2. The terms of the obligation do not provide for such obligation to be converted or exchanged at any time into any Equity Security or any other security or asset.
3. The obligation (a) has a Moody’s Rating (including any estimated or confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored) and (b) has an S&P Rating (including any confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored), which S&P Rating does not have a “p”, “pi”, “q”, “r” or “t” subscript unless S&P otherwise authorizes in writing.
4. The obligation is not a Defaulted Reference Obligation, Current Pay Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation and in the case of a Reference Obligation that has a Moody’s Rating of “Caa1” or lower or an S&P Rating of “CCC+” or lower, the Reference Portfolio Manager has certified in writing that such Reference Obligation is not a Credit Risk Obligation.
5. The related Reference Entity is the borrower, issuer or guarantor in respect of such obligation.
6. The obligation constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of the applicable Reference Entity (and, in the case of a Reference Swap or Reference CLN, such Reference Swap or Reference CLN constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of the applicable protection buyer, total return payer or issuer, as the case may be), enforceable against such person in accordance with its terms.
7. The obligation (unless it is a Bond) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness for borrowed money of the applicable Reference Entity (and, in the case of a Reference Swap or Reference CLN, such Reference Swap or Reference CLN is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness for borrowed money of the applicable protection buyer, total return payer or issuer, as the case may be); *provided that*, for the avoidance of doubt, this clause will not prohibit the inclusion in the Reference Portfolio of Subordinated Lien Loans.
8. The obligation (unless it is a PIK Obligation) bears simple interest payable in cash no less frequently than annually at a fixed or floating rate that is paid on a periodic basis on an unleveraged basis and, in the case of a floating rate, computed on a benchmark interest rate plus or minus a spread, if any (which may vary under the terms of the obligation).

9. The payment or repayment of the principal, if any, of the obligation is not an amount determined by reference to any formula or index or subject to any contingency under the terms thereof.
10. The obligation is not subject to an outstanding offer to be acquired, exchanged or tendered.
11. The obligation provides for payment of a fixed amount of principal payable in cash according to a fixed schedule (which may include optional call dates) and at stated maturity thereof.
12. In the case of a Term Loan or Revolving Loan, as of its Addition Date, the obligation is part of, or a participation in, a syndicated loan facility (consisting of Term Loans or Term Loans and Revolving Loans) that provides for a commitment by the lenders, in the aggregate, of at least U.S. \$100 million.
13. The portion of the obligation to be included in the Reference Portfolio (including through a Reference Swap or Reference CLN) does not represent, directly or indirectly, more than a 25% interest in the obligation.
14. With respect to a Revolving Loan, the obligation of a holder to advance funds thereunder is subject only to certain conditions precedent and is not subject to the exercise of discretion by the holder; *provided* that in no event shall the determination of whether a customary representation, warranty, covenant, agreement or condition precedent (including, without limitation, a condition precedent relating to the absence of a material adverse change in the borrower's financial condition or a similar condition precedent) has been satisfied constitute the exercise of discretion by the holder for this purpose.
15. The obligation was funded (or, in the case of a Revolving Loan, the commitment to fund became effective) at least two Business Days prior to its Addition Date (or, if earlier, at least two Business Days prior to the date of any commitment or decision to add such obligation to the Reference Portfolio).
16. The Issuer has not (and no one acting for the account of the Issuer has) directly or indirectly, negotiated the terms of, participated in the structuring of, or influenced the terms of such obligation; *provided* that neither the Reference Portfolio Manager nor the Swap Counterparty will be considered to act for the account of the Issuer.
17. The Issuer has not (and no one acting for the account of the Issuer has) provided services in connection with the origination, structuring, marketing or placement of the obligation, and no fees for such services are or will be payable to the Issuer with respect to the obligation; *provided* that neither the Reference Portfolio Manager nor the Swap Counterparty will be considered to act for the account of the Issuer.
18. None of (x) the Swap Counterparty or any Affiliate thereof or (y) the Reference Portfolio Manager or any Affiliate thereof, has (directly or indirectly) negotiated the terms of, participated in the structuring of, or influenced the terms of, the obligation unless (a) within ten consecutive Business Days before the proposed Addition Date the Reference Portfolio Manager has attempted to obtain firm offer quotations for valuing the obligation from at least two Dealers on the same date and has obtained at least one quotation, and if only one such quotation is obtained, such quotation is equal to or lower than the relevant price quotation for such obligation quoted by the Pricing Source, (b) either: (i) the obligation was originated and funded prior to the Closing Date and not in anticipation of inclusion in the Reference Portfolio, or (ii) the obligation is added to the Reference Portfolio at least two Business Days after the original issuance of the obligation (and no commitment or agreement to add the obligation is entered into before such date) and (c) the Reference Price of such obligation is equal to or lower than the price at which such obligation is sold or made available for sale to other unaffiliated persons on or about the proposed Addition Date (but in no event earlier than the second Business Day after the original issuance of the obligation); *provided* that the aggregate Reference Value of all Reference Obligations of which the Swap Counterparty, the Reference Portfolio Manager or any of their respective Affiliates has (directly or indirectly) negotiated the terms, participated in the structuring or influenced the terms does not exceed 25% of the Aggregate Reference Value.

19. The obligation (and, in the case of a Reference CLN, such Reference CLN) is not a limited partnership interest, limited liability company membership interest, trust certificate or other asset that is treated as an equity interest in a partnership or a trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, unless (a) the Reference Portfolio Manager has obtained an opinion of nationally recognized counsel to the effect that such interest, if held by a foreign corporation, would not cause such foreign corporation to be treated as engaged in the conduct of a U.S. trade or business for U.S. federal income tax purposes, (b) the instrument has tax disclosure that states that a non-U.S. holder thereof will not be subject to U.S. net income tax or will not be treated as engaged in the conduct of a U.S. trade or business for U.S. federal income tax purposes solely as a result of acquiring or investing in such instrument, or (c) the partnership or trust (1) is organized outside the United States, (2) is owned solely by non-U.S. persons, (3) effects all transactions, performs all services and carries out all other activities solely outside of the United States and with or for non-U.S. persons and (4) holds financial instruments, if any, that are directly or indirectly issued by or entered into with solely non-U.S. persons.
20. The obligation is not treated as an interest, other than as a creditor, in a "United States real property holding corporation" as defined by Section 897 of the Code.
21. The obligation is in registered form for purposes of the Code.
22. The payments on the obligation (and, in the case of a Reference Swap or Reference CLN, on such Reference Swap or Reference CLN) will not be subject to withholding tax in any non-U.S. jurisdiction unless the obligor (and the guarantor, if any) of the obligation (and such Reference Swap or Reference CLN) is required under the terms of the documentation thereof to make "gross-up" payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax; *provided*, that the Reference Portfolio Manager shall be permitted to rely conclusively on advice of tax counsel that such obligation (and such Reference Swap or Reference CLN) will not be so subject.
23. The payments on the obligation (and, in the case of a Reference Swap or Reference CLN, such Reference Swap or Reference CLN) would not be subject to U.S. withholding tax, assuming that the obligation were held by the Issuer and that the Issuer provided any relevant U.S. tax forms to the issuer of the obligation (and to the protection buyer or total return payer under such Reference Swap or to the issuer of such Reference CLN); *provided*, that the Reference Portfolio Manager shall be permitted to rely conclusively on advice of tax counsel that such obligation (and such Reference Swap or Reference CLN) would not be so subject.
24. In the case of a Reference Swap, either (a) such Reference Swap is a derivatives contract (i) documented under an ISDA Master Agreement and/or a Confirmation that references such an agreement and incorporates the Credit Definitions, (ii) providing for one or more payments by the protection buyer to the protection seller determined by reference to a specified rate or index multiplied by a fixed or amortizing notional amount and providing for, upon the occurrence of a specified credit event under the Credit Definitions with regard to a Reference Entity and the satisfaction of certain conditions to settlement, (A) one or more cash payments by the protection seller to the protection buyer determined by reference to the change in the value ascribed to one or more valuation obligations based on the applicable Valuation Method under the terms thereof (and not by reference to any actual loss incurred by the protection buyer) or (B) delivery by the protection buyer to the protection seller of one or more deliverable obligations in exchange for a specified payment, (iii) that permits the selection, with respect to the Reference Entity, of multiple deliverable obligations, in the case of physical settlement, or multiple valuation obligations, in the case of cash settlement, in each case satisfying certain criteria, (iv) in which the protection buyer is a dealer in swaps and other derivative financial instruments that regularly holds itself out as being willing and able to enter into either side of a credit default swap, (v) where the Reference Portfolio Manager reasonably believes that at least one potential valuation obligation or deliverable obligation is an obligation for which, on the Addition Date, firm offer price quotations can be obtained from at least two Dealers (or, if only one such quotation can be obtained, a relevant price quotation can also be obtained from the Pricing Source), (vi) under which (A) the Reference Entity is a person that is not an Affiliate of the Issuer, the Swap Counterparty, the Reference Portfolio

Manager, the protection buyer or the protection seller, (B) neither the protection buyer nor the protection seller is required to own or hold any reference obligation, (C) the protection seller will not have any ongoing payment rights or obligations under the contract in respect of any portion of the contract that has been cash settled or physically settled and (D) each party agrees not to treat the transaction as an insurance or guarantee contract for any relevant purpose, including, without limitation, for regulatory, tax or accounting purposes, and (vii) that is added to the Reference Portfolio for purposes of taking on exposure to the underlying Reference Entity and profiting from the amounts payable to the protection seller in respect of such Reference Swap, and for which the decision relating to its addition to the Reference Portfolio is made in the same manner as decisions relating to the addition of Reference Obligations other than Reference Swaps or Reference CLNs, or (b) the Reference Portfolio Manager has received a written opinion of nationally recognized tax counsel experienced in such matters that the acquisition, ownership or disposition of the Reference Swap should not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in the conduct of a U.S. trade or business for U.S. federal income tax purposes, assuming that the Reference Swap were acquired, owned or disposed of by the Issuer and considering such acquisition, ownership or disposition in the light of all other activities of the Issuer.

25. In the case of a Reference CLN, either (a) such Reference CLN is a note (i) providing for periodic payments by the issuer thereof calculated at a stated interest rate or based on a stated spread over a benchmark interest rate or interest rate index on a stated principal amount, (ii) providing for, upon the occurrence of a specified credit event (as defined under the Credit Definitions or in a substantially similar manner) with respect to one or more Reference Entities and the satisfaction of certain conditions to settlement, an adjustment to the stated principal amount payable at maturity calculated by reference to the change in value ascribed to one or more valuation obligations based on the applicable valuation method under the terms thereof (and not by reference to any actual loss incurred by the issuer) or for the delivery of one or more deliverable obligations in lieu of all or a portion of the principal amount, (iii) providing for, if no such specified credit event has occurred by the stated maturity of such Reference CLN, repayment in full at or prior to maturity of the originally stated principal amount, (iv) that permits the selection, with respect to each such Reference Entity, of multiple deliverable obligations, in the case of physical settlement, or multiple valuation obligations, in the case of cash settlement, in each case satisfying certain criteria, (v) where the Reference Portfolio Manager reasonably believes that at least one potential valuation obligation or deliverable obligation for each such Reference Entity is an obligation for which, on the Addition Date, firm offer price quotations can be obtained from at least two Dealers (or, if only one such quotation can be obtained, a relevant price quotation can also be obtained from the Pricing Source), (vi) in which (A) each Reference Entity is a person that is not an Affiliate of the Issuer, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Swap Counterparty, the issuer of such Reference CLN or the holder of such Reference CLN, (B) neither the issuer nor the holder of the Reference CLN is required to own or hold any reference obligation, (C) the holder will not have any ongoing payment rights or obligations in respect of the portion of the security that has been settled as a result of a credit event and (D) the issuer and holder each agree not to treat the security as an insurance or guarantee contract for any relevant purpose, including, without limitation, for regulatory, tax or accounting purposes, and (vii) that is added to the Reference Portfolio for the purpose of taking on exposure to the underlying Reference Entity(ies) and profiting from the amounts payable to the holder in respect of such Reference CLN, and for which the decision relating to its addition is made in the same manner as decisions relating to the addition of Reference Obligations other than Reference Swaps or Reference CLNs; (b) such Reference CLN (i) is an interest in a trust or other entity taxed on a pass-through basis that holds solely instruments treated as indebtedness for U.S. federal income tax purposes and instruments treated as options or notional principal contracts for U.S. federal income tax purposes, (ii) satisfies the requirements of subclauses (i)-(iv) and (vii) of clause (a) hereof, (iii) is an instrument as to which firm offer price quotations can be obtained from at least two Dealers, and (iv) satisfies the requirements of subclause (vi) of clause (a) hereof, treating the "holder" as the entity and the "issuer" as the counterparty to any option or notional principal contract; or (c) the Reference Portfolio Manager has received a written opinion of nationally recognized tax counsel experienced in such matters that the acquisition, ownership or disposition of the Reference CLN should not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in the conduct of a U.S. trade or business for U.S. federal

income tax purposes, assuming that the Reference CLN were acquired, owned or disposed of by the Issuer and considering such acquisition, ownership or disposition in the light of all other activities of the Issuer.

26. The Reference Entity is Domiciled in an Eligible Country.
27. The Reference Portfolio Manager has exercised its independent judgment in determining whether to include the obligation in the Reference Portfolio, and that judgment has not been influenced by whether a particular person or entity holds an interest in the Reference Portfolio Manager or in Securities issued by the Issuer or whether the Swap Counterparty or affiliates thereof originated the Reference Obligation, and has not consulted with any person or entity holding an interest in the Reference Portfolio Manager or Securities issued by the Issuer in determining whether to include any Reference Obligation in the Reference Portfolio.
28. The obligation is not a loan that is an obligation of a debtor in possession or a trustee for a debtor in an insolvency proceeding other than a DIP Loan.
29. The Reference Obligation (including for this purpose, in the case of a Reference Swap, such Reference Swap) has a maturity or final termination date no later than the Maturity Date; *provided* that Reference Obligations that bear interest at a fixed rate have a maturity or final termination date no later than 45 Business Days prior to the Maturity Date.
30. With respect to an obligation that provides for the payment of interest at a floating rate, such floating rate is determined by reference to the U.S. dollar prime rate or other base rate, London interbank offered rate or similar interbank offered rate, commercial deposit rate or any other index acceptable to the Swap Counterparty and which each Rating Agency confirms in writing will not result in a qualification, downgrade or withdrawal of its then-current rating of any Class of Securities.
31. The obligation (unless it is a PIK Obligation) does not by its terms permit the deferral of the payment of interest in cash thereon, including without limitation, by providing for the payment of interest through the issuance of additional debt securities identical to such debt security or through additions to the principal amount thereof for a specified period in the future or for the remainder of its life or by capitalizing interest due on such debt security as principal.
32. In the case of a Reference Obligation that is a participation in a Term Loan or Revolving Loan, the participation seller has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A-".
33. In the case of a Reference Swap or Reference CLN, the counterparty or issuer, as the case may be, has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A-".
34. The obligation does not constitute "margin stock" as defined in Regulation U of the U.S. Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.
35. The obligation is not a Discount Obligation.
36. In the case of a Bond, the obligation is treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as indebtedness, or in the case of an interest in a trust or other entity taxed on a pass-through basis, (a) such interest is treated as indebtedness for U.S. federal income tax purposes or represents an undivided beneficial ownership interest in assets consisting solely of cash and instruments treated as indebtedness for U.S. federal income tax purposes, (b) such interest has tax disclosure that states that a non-U.S. holder thereof will not be subject to U.S. net income tax or will not be treated as engaged in the conduct of a U.S. trade or business for U.S. federal income tax purposes solely as a result of acquiring or investing in such interest, or (c) the Reference Portfolio Manager has obtained an opinion of nationally recognized counsel to the effect that such interest, if held by a foreign corporation, would not cause such foreign corporation to be treated as engaged in the conduct of a U.S. trade or business for U.S. federal income tax purposes.



### Reference Portfolio Criteria

The following requirements will constitute the “Reference Portfolio Criteria”:

1. The Aggregate Reference Value of the Reference Obligations may not exceed the Swap Notional Amount.
2. (a) The aggregate of the Reference Obligation Calculation Amounts of Reference Obligations of Reference Entities with a Moody’s Rating of less than “B3” may not exceed 7.5% of the Portfolio Calculation Amount; and (b) the aggregate of the Reference Obligation Calculation Amounts of Reference Obligations of Reference Entities with an S&P Rating of less than “B-” may not exceed 7.5% of the Portfolio Calculation Amount (provided that for purposes of this clause (b), Underlying Obligations with an S&P Rating of less than “B-” for an Index CLN shall not be counted toward such limit).
3. The Reference Obligation Calculation Amount of any single Reference Obligation may not exceed 1.5% of the Portfolio Calculation Amount; *provided*, that the Reference Obligation Calculation Amount of each of up to five Reference Obligations may be up to 2.0% of the Portfolio Calculation Amount.
4. The aggregate Reference Obligation Calculation Amount of Reference Obligations with Reference Entities with a Domicile other than in the United States or Canada may not exceed 15% of the Portfolio Calculation Amount.
5. The aggregate Reference Obligation Calculation Amount of Reference Obligations with Reference Entities with a Domicile in (i) Canada or any single country that is a Moody’s Group I Country may not exceed 10% of the Portfolio Calculation Amount, (ii) any single country that is a Moody’s Group II Country may not exceed 5.0% of the Portfolio Calculation Amount or (iii) any single country that is a Moody’s Group III Country may not exceed 2.5% of the Portfolio Calculation Amount.
6. The aggregate Reference Obligation Calculation Amount of Reference Obligations with Reference Entities that are organized in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction may not exceed 5.0% of the Portfolio Calculation Amount.
7. The aggregate of the Reference Obligation Calculation Amount of Reference Obligations that are not Term Loans or Bonds may not exceed 50% of the Portfolio Calculation Amount.
8. The aggregate of the Reference Obligation Calculation Amounts of Reference Obligations that are Term Loans or Revolving Loans that are not Secured Loans may not exceed 3.0% of the Portfolio Calculation Amount.
9. The aggregate of the Reference Obligation Calculation Amounts of Reference Obligations that bear interest at a fixed rate may not exceed 7.5% of the Portfolio Calculation Amount.
10. The aggregate of the Reference Obligation Calculation Amounts of Reference Obligations that are Bonds may not exceed 7.5% of the Portfolio Calculation Amount.
11. The aggregate of the Reference Obligation Calculation Amounts of Reference Obligations that are Structured Finance Obligations may not exceed 5.0% of the Portfolio Calculation Amount.
12. The aggregate of the Reference Obligation Calculation Amounts of Reference Obligations that are Reference Swaps, Reference CLNs, loan participations and Reference Obligations of Reference Entities that are Domiciled in a country with a long-term foreign issuer credit rating below “AA” by S&P may not exceed 20.0% of the Portfolio Calculation Amount, and the aggregate of the Reference Obligation Calculation Amounts of Reference Obligations that are Index CLNs may not exceed 5.0% of the Portfolio Calculation Amount.
13. The aggregate of the Reference Obligation Calculation Amounts of Reference Swaps, Reference CLNs or loan participations with a particular Reference Swap counterparty, Reference CLN

issuer, or participation seller, as the case may be, may not exceed the respective percentage of the Portfolio Calculation Amount specified below under “Single Counterparty Limit” for the applicable long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody’s or S&P Rating of such counterparty or participation seller (using the limit for the lower of such ratings, if different), and the aggregate of the Reference Obligation Calculation Amounts of all Reference Swaps, Reference CLNs and participations with all counterparties, issuers or participation sellers, as the case may be, with a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody’s or S&P Rating at or below a level specified in the table below (using the lower of such ratings for a counterparty, issuer or participation seller, if different) shall not exceed the percentage of the Portfolio Calculation Amount specified below under “Aggregate Counterparty Limit” for such rating:

Moody’s Rating	S&P Rating	Single Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
Aaa	AAA	10%	20%
Aa1	AA+	10%	20%
Aa2	AA	10%	17.5%
Aa3	AA-	10%	10%
A1	A+	5%	5%
A2	A	3%	3%
A3	A-	2%	2%

14. The aggregate of the Reference Obligation Calculation Amounts of (i) Reference Obligations that do not pay interest at least as frequently as quarterly and Reference Obligations that are PIK Obligations may not exceed 7.5% of the Portfolio Calculation Amount, (ii) Reference Obligations that do not pay interest at least as frequently as semi-annually and Reference Obligations that are PIK Obligations may not exceed 7.5% of the Portfolio Calculation Amount and (iii) Reference Obligations that are PIK Obligations may not exceed 3.0% of the Portfolio Calculation Amount.
15. The aggregate of the Reference Obligation Calculation Amounts of Reference Obligations that are DIP Loans may not exceed 5.0% of the Portfolio Calculation Amount; *provided*, that with Rating Confirmation the aggregate Reference Obligation Calculation Amount of Reference Obligations that are DIP Loans may be up to 7.5% of the Portfolio Calculation Amount.
16. The aggregate of the Reference Obligation Calculation Amounts of Reference Obligations that are Subordinated Lien Loans may not exceed 5.0% of the Portfolio Calculation Amount.
17. The Reference Portfolio has a Weighted Average Rating no greater than, a Weighted Average LIBOR Spread at least equal to, and a Diversity Score at least equal to the respective levels set forth in the applicable row of the grid specified below. As of the Closing Date, the Reference Portfolio Manager will elect which row of the grid below will apply. Thereafter, on notice to the Swap Counterparty, the Reference Portfolio Manager may elect a different row of the applicable grid to apply, provided that after giving effect to such new election, the Reference Portfolio will satisfy the maximum Weighted Average Rating, minimum Weighted Average LIBOR Spread and minimum Diversity Score for such row.

Maximum Weighted Average Rating	Minimum Weighted Average LIBOR Spread (%)	Minimum Diversity Score
2300	2.75%	50
2375	2.90%	50
2450	3.05%	50
2225	2.50%	55
2275	2.60%	55
2350	2.75%	55
2425	2.90%	55

Maximum Weighted Average Rating	Minimum Weighted Average LIBOR Spread (%)	Minimum Diversity Score
2500	3.05%	55
2275	2.50%	60
2325	2.60%	60
2400	2.75%	60
2475	2.90%	60
2550	3.05%	60
2325	2.50%	65
2375	2.60%	65
2450	2.75%	65
2525	2.90%	65
2600	3.05%	65
2375	2.50%	70
2425	2.60%	70
2500	2.75%	70
2575	2.90%	70
2650	3.05%	70
2425	2.50%	75
2475	2.60%	75
2550	2.75%	75
2625	2.90%	75
2700	3.05%	75
2475	2.50%	80
2525	2.60%	80
2600	2.75%	80
2675	2.90%	80
2750	3.05%	80

18. The Reference Portfolio has a Moody's Weighted Average Recovery Rate at least equal to 44.8%.
19. The Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied.
20. The Reference Portfolio has an S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate at least equal to 49.3%.
21. The Weighted Average Undrawn Spread of the Reference Portfolio is at least 0.40%.
22. The Reference Portfolio has a Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon of at least 8.25%.
23. The Reference Portfolio has a Weighted Average LIBOR Spread of at least 2.50%.

The criteria in clauses 2-16 above are referred to herein as the "Concentration Limits." For purposes of the calculations in the Reference Portfolio Criteria, Defaulted Reference Obligations shall be deemed to be excluded from the Reference Portfolio.

## **THE SWAP COUNTERPARTY AND SWAP GUARANTOR**

The Swap Counterparty will be Citigroup Financial Products Inc. or an affiliate thereof. The obligations of the Swap Counterparty under the Swap Agreement will be guaranteed by CGMHI as the Swap Guarantor.

### **The Swap Counterparty**

Citigroup Financial Products Inc. is a Delaware corporation with its principal address at 388 Greenwich Street, New York, New York. CFPI is a direct, wholly-owned subsidiary of CGMHI, which is a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of Citigroup Inc. (“Citigroup”). CFPI and its subsidiaries provide investment banking, asset management, brokerage, securities trading, advisory and other financial services to customers, and engage in proprietary trading activities for their own account.

*See “Risk Factors—Conflicts of Interest Involving the Swap Counterparty and Its Affiliates.”* The Swap Counterparty will have certain rights under the Indenture and with respect to the Trust Estate which may be exercised without regard to the interests of the Noteholders. *See “Risk Factors—Subordination of Payment and Control.”*

### **The Swap Guarantor**

CGMHI and its subsidiaries are a global, full-service investment banking and securities brokerage firm. CGMHI provides a full range of financial advisory, research and capital raising services to corporations, governments and individuals.

CGMHI operates through its subsidiaries in three business segments: (i) Investment Services, (ii) Private Client Services and (iii) Asset Management. CGMHI provides investment banking, securities and commodities trading, capital raising, asset management, advisory, research, brokerage and other financial services to its customers and executes proprietary trading strategies on its own behalf. As used in this section, unless the context otherwise requires, CGMHI refers to Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries.

Citigroup, CGMHI’s parent, is a diversified holding company whose businesses provide a broad range of financial services to consumer and corporate customers around the world. Citigroup’s activities are conducted through the Global Consumer, Global Corporate and Investment Bank, Private Client Services, Global Investment Management and Proprietary Investment Activities business segments.

CGMHI’s global investment banking services encompass a full range of capital market activities, including the underwriting and distribution of debt and equity securities for United States and foreign corporations and for state, local and other governmental and government sponsored authorities. CGMHI frequently acts as an underwriter or private placement agent in corporate and public securities offerings and provides alternative financing options. It also provides financial advice to investment banking clients on a wide variety of transactions including mergers and acquisitions, divestitures, leveraged buyouts, financial restructurings and a variety of cross-border transactions.

Private Client Services provides investment advice, financial planning and brokerage services to affluent individuals, small and mid-size companies, and non-profit and large corporations primarily through the network of Smith Barney Financial Consultants. In addition, Private Client Services provides independent client-focused research to individuals and institutions around the world.

The portion of Citigroup’s Asset Management segment housed within CGMHI is comprised primarily of two asset management business platforms: Salomon Brothers Asset Management and Smith Barney Asset Management (the “Asset Management Group”). These platforms offer a broad range of asset management products and services from global investment centers, including mutual funds, closed-end funds and managed accounts. In addition, the Asset Management Group offers a broad range of unit investment trusts.

CGMHI is subject to the informational requirements of the Exchange Act and in accordance therewith files reports and other information with the Commission. Reports and other information filed by CGMHI with the Commission pursuant to the informational requirements of the Exchange Act can be inspected and copied at the public reference facilities maintained by the Commission at Room 1024, Judiciary Plaza, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington,

D.C. 20549. Copies of such material can also be maintained upon written request addressed to the Commission, Public Reference Section, Room 1024, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549, at prescribed rates. The Commission maintains a web site on the internet at <http://www.sec.gov> containing reports, proxy statements and other information regarding registrants that file electronically with the Commission.

The principal offices of CGMHI are located at 388 Greenwich Street, New York, New York 10013, telephone number (212) 816-6000. CGMHI was incorporated in New York in 1977.

## **THE REFERENCE PORTFOLIO MANAGER AND THE REFERENCE PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT**

As described herein, the Reference Portfolio Manager will act solely on behalf of the Swap Counterparty and will not act or be deemed to act on behalf of the Issuer or Holders of Securities. Neither the Issuer nor the Holders of Securities will have any rights, as third party beneficiary or otherwise, against the Reference Portfolio Manager under the Swap Agreement or the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement, and the Reference Portfolio Manager will have no liability to the Issuer or the Holders of Securities thereunder. The Issuer and the Holders of Securities will have no direct recourse against the Reference Portfolio Manager as a result of action or inaction by the Reference Portfolio Manager thereunder. Actions taken by the Reference Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Swap Counterparty) may, through the Swap Agreement, have an effect on the Securities. The disclosure with respect to the Reference Portfolio Manager is included solely for the purpose of allowing prospective investors to understand such effects. See *"Risk Factors—Role of the Reference Portfolio Manager."*

### **The Reference Portfolio Manager**

Based in Dallas, Texas, Highland Capital Management, L.P. ("Highland Capital") is a registered investment adviser specializing in below investment grade credit and special situation investing. As of March 31, 2004, Highland Capital managed over \$9.0 billion in leveraged loans, high yield bonds, structured products and other assets for banks, insurance companies, pension plans, foundations, and high net worth individuals.

As of March 31, 2004, Highland Capital employed 32 investment professionals covering 44 industries with over 600 credits owned and 750 credits followed. Portfolios as of March 31, 2004 include 12 structured investment vehicles (including 7 CLOs), separate accounts, and 5 hedge funds. Additionally, Highland Capital manages two closed-end registered investment companies listed on the NYSE.

### Investment Philosophy and Process

Highland Capital's investment philosophy is based on the belief that fundamental research and disciplined asset acquisition/disposition produce superior long-term results. Highland Capital's investment approach seeks to generate superior performance with muted volatility. The investment approach is a top-down approach as advocated by the Institute for Chartered Financial Analysts. Highland Capital anticipates long-term secular trends and identifies those sectors and issues that have the highest relative value characteristics. Highland Capital's process and philosophy have been consistent over time.

Highland Capital has a large range and depth of experience. It has expertise in syndicated loans, high yield bonds, and distressed investments. Highland Capital believes it is in a position to arbitrage disparities in the historical spread relationship between various below investment grade asset classes. Highland Capital believes that, historically, the most inefficient asset classes have demonstrated the best risk/return characteristics.

Highland Capital has invested over \$140 million of firm capital in its funds, and expects that one of its Affiliates or funds will invest \$20 million in the Income Notes of the Issuer. Additionally, Highland Capital believes that it strives to minimize operating expenses and hires the brightest and most talented professionals, insisting on a high degree of dedication and integrity.

Highland Capital believes that its disciplined investment process minimizes a portfolio's risk and that its strategy seeks to maximize current yield over capital appreciation while limiting downside risk. Portfolio managers actively follow each credit and several times each year the entire investment staff reviews all positions during multi-day Monitoring Meetings. We will look to sell a security or remove a reference obligation if it is fully valued or if a significant fundamental change occurs. Highland Capital diversifies its portfolios with set limits on exposure to any one given industry or issuer. Highland Capital believes that this philosophy and process has resulted in positive returns in 43 of the last 45 quarters on its underlying loan portfolio and consistent outperformance relative to its indices.

Highland Capital focuses on a "team" approach that it has used since the investment team started in 1990. It is Highland Capital management's belief that this style creates the optimum environment for the exchange of information and the development of all investment professionals. All aspects of the investment process are coordinated through the team's direct interaction. The investment team meets every morning to discuss the market,

investment strategy, and credits. In addition, the firm maintains an "informal" open door policy with regards to investment or personal issues. The team is composed of senior management and portfolio managers/analysts. Collectively, the team utilizes an investment process which is driven by fundamental credit research. Each portfolio manager/analyst makes specific credit recommendations based upon industry coverage. The investment proposal is then brought to the investment team for consideration. Based upon the consensus decision, the portfolio manager with the recommendation will execute the trade.

Highland Capital has also provided its investment team with a strong commitment to technology. The firm developed Wall Street Office® which is a proprietary software system that allows Highland Capital to model, portfolio manage, and trade syndicated loans. This software has been licensed to more than 70 financial institutions that invest in syndicated loans.

#### Biographies of Certain Key Individuals

Set forth below is information regarding certain persons who are currently employed by the Reference Portfolio Manager. Such persons may not necessarily continue to be so employed during the entire term of the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement.

##### **James Dondero, CFA, CPA, CMA - President**

Mr. Dondero is a Founder and President of Highland Capital Management, L.P. He serves on the boards of several corporations including Genesis Health Ventures, Audio Visual Services, and Leap Wireless. Formerly, Mr. Dondero served as Chief Investment Officer of Protective Life's GIC subsidiary and helped grow the business from concept to over \$2 billion between 1989 and 1993. His portfolio management experience includes mortgage-backed securities, investment grade corporates, leveraged bank loans, emerging markets, derivatives, preferred stocks and common stocks. From 1985 to 1989, he managed approximately \$1 billion in fixed income funds for American Express. Mr. Dondero is a Beta Gamma Sigma graduate of the University of Virginia with degrees in Accounting and Finance. He completed financial training at Morgan Guaranty Trust Company. Mr. Dondero is a Certified Public Accountant, Chartered Financial Analyst and a Certified Management Accountant.

##### **Mark Okada, CFA - Chief Investment Officer**

Mr. Okada has over 19 years of experience in the leveraged finance market. He is responsible for overseeing Highland Capital's investment activities for its various funds. Formerly, Mr. Okada served as Manager of Fixed Income for Protective Life's GIC subsidiary from 1990 to 1993. He was primarily responsible for the bank loan portfolio and other risk assets. Protective was one of the first non-bank entrants into the syndicated loan market. From 1986 to 1990, he served as Vice-President, managing over \$1 billion of high yield bank loans, for Hibernia National Bank. Mr. Okada is an honors graduate of the University of California Los Angeles with degrees in Economics and Psychology. He completed his credit training at Mitsui and is a Chartered Financial Analyst. Mr. Okada is also Chairman of the Board of Directors of Common Grace Ministries Inc.

##### **Jack Yang - Head of Business Development**

Mr. Yang is responsible for new product development, fundraising, and investor relations, and heads the firm's New York office. Prior to joining Highland Capital, he was Managing Director and Global Head of Leveraged Finance Products at Merrill Lynch. He joined Merrill Lynch in 1994 to establish the firm's syndicated loan activities and co-headed the firm's Global Leveraged Finance Division from 1999 to 2001. In addition to heading the syndicated loan activities of the firm, while at Merrill Lynch he had significant responsibility for establishing and managing the \$1.5 billion ML Bridge Loan Fund, the \$1.1 billion ML Mezzanine Fund, and the European Leveraged Finance Group. He was a senior member of the firm's Debt Markets Commitment Committee and Mezzanine Investment Committee. Prior to joining Merrill, he spent 11 years at Chemical Securities, Inc. and was a founding member of the Global Syndicated Finance Division. He earned a BA from Cornell University and an MBA from Columbia University. He is a Registered Representative with Series 7, 63, and 24 licenses.

##### **Todd Travers, CFA - Partner - Senior Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Travers is the primary portfolio manager for Highland's par debt funds, a member of the Credit Committee, and heads a team that is responsible for structuring new transactions and implementing additional opportunities in Highland's core businesses. Formerly, Mr. Travers served as Portfolio Manager/Portfolio Analyst from 1994 to 1998 for Highland. In 1999, he was promoted to Senior Portfolio Manager and his duties were expanded beyond sector portfolio management to include the origination, structuring and issuance of new structured vehicles, including Highland Loan Funding V Ltd. and Restoration Funding Ltd. His prior responsibilities included

managing a portion of Highland's leveraged loan and high yield debt portfolios with an emphasis on technology and aviation transactions. Prior to joining Highland, Mr. Travers was a Finance Manager at American Airlines. Mr. Travers is a graduate of Iowa State University with a BS in Industrial Engineering. He received his MBA with an emphasis in Finance from Southern Methodist University. Mr. Travers is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

**Brad Borud - Senior Trader**

Mr. Borud is a Senior Trader for loan and high yield credit products. Prior to his current duties, Mr. Borud served as a Portfolio Analyst for Highland Capital from 1996 to 1998 and afterward as a Portfolio Manager covering a wide range of industries, including Wireline Telecommunications, Wireless Telecommunications, Telecommunication Equipment Manufacturers, Multi-channel Video, and Media. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Borud worked as a Global Finance Analyst in the Corporate Finance Group at NationsBank from 1995 to 1996 where he was involved in the originating, structuring, modeling, and credit analysis of leveraged transactions for large corporate accounts in the Southwest portion of the United States. Formerly, Mr. Borud served at Conesco Capital Management in the Fixed Income Research Department following the Transportation and Energy sectors. He has a BS in Business Finance from Indiana University and is a CFA Level III Candidate.

**David Walls, CFA - Portfolio Manager, Distressed**

Mr. Walls is a Portfolio Manager covering the Cable, Building Materials and Equipment Rental sectors. Prior to joining Highland, Mr. Walls worked at Lend Lease Real Estate Investments (LLREI) in their Asset Management unit where, as an Associate, he participated in the underwriting and acquisition of bulk portfolios of distressed Korean real estate and corporate debt. Before his international responsibilities at LLREI, Mr. Walls performed loan workouts on a domestic portfolio of sub- and non-performing real estate secured assets. Prior to joining Lend Lease, Mr. Walls worked at U.S. Trust Company of California as an Assistant Vice President, Junior Portfolio Manager in their Fixed Income Portfolio Management group. He holds a BA in Economics from Northwestern University and an MBA in Finance and Marketing from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University. Mr. Walls is a member of AIMR and DAIA. Mr. Walls is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

**John Morgan, CFA - Senior Portfolio Manager**

Mr. Morgan is a Senior Portfolio Manager covering the Retail, Food & Drug, and Steel sectors. Prior to joining Highland, Mr. Morgan served as Portfolio Analyst for Falcon Fund Management, LTD from August 1995-February 2000. There he created comparables to assess the attractiveness of companies within industries and across the portfolio. He assisted the portfolio manager in the security selection process and management of the portfolio. Prior to Falcon, he was an Analyst for a Convertible Arbitrage Fund at Q Investments. His primary responsibility included analyzing financial statements and related corporate disclosures and performing analysis on potential investment opportunities. He received both a BS in Biological Sciences and an MBA from Southern Methodist University.

**Joe Dougherty, CFA, CPA - Senior Portfolio Manager: Chemicals**

Mr. Dougherty served as Portfolio Analyst from 1998 to 1999 at Highland Capital. From 1997-1998, he served as an Investment Analyst with Sandera Capital Management. Prior to this, he was a summer associate at Enron Capital and Trade Resources in their Corporate Development Department. Mr. Dougherty also worked as a Business Development Manager at Akzo Nobel from 1994 to 1996 and a Senior Accountant at Deloitte & Touche, LLP from 1992 to 1994. He received a BS in Accounting from Villanova University and an MBA from Southern Methodist University.

**Kurtis Plumer, CFA - Senior Portfolio Manager: Energy & Food Processors**

From 1996-1999, Mr. Plumer served as a High Yield Trader for Lehman Brothers in New York. His primary responsibilities were to analyze and trade high yield corporate bonds from Latin America and Asia. He traded securities issued by companies in a wide variety of industries, particularly focusing on media/telecom, energy and utility/project finance. From 1990-1994, Mr. Plumer was employed as a Corporate Finance Associate at NationsBanc Capital Markets (now Bank of America Securities) where he analyzed, structured and executed mergers, and acquisitions and finance transactions. Mr. Plumer is a graduate of Baylor University with a BBA in Economics and Finance. He received his MBA in Management/Strategy and Finance from Northwestern University.

**Patrick H. Daugherty - Senior Portfolio Manager & General Counsel**

Mr. Daugherty served as a Portfolio Analyst from 1998 to 1999 for Highland Capital. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Daugherty served as Vice President in the Corporate Finance Group at NationsBanc Capital Markets, Inc. (now Bank of America) from 1993 to 1998. There he originated and structured leveraged transactions for a



portfolio of mid-cap companies located in the Southwest. Prior to joining Bank of America, he was an Associate with the law firm of Baker, Brown, Sharman and Parker in Houston, Texas. He received a BBA in Finance from the University of Texas at Austin and a Jurist Doctorate from the University of Houston School of Law. Professional certifications include membership in the Texas Bar Association and admittance to the American Bar Association in 1992. He is a CFA Level II Candidate.

**Paul Kauffman, CFA, CPA - Senior Trader**

Mr. Kauffman is a Senior Trader for loan and high yield credit products. Additionally, Mr. Kauffman oversees the investment activities of Highland Capital's long/short equity fund. Prior to his current duties, Mr. Kauffman served as a Portfolio Analyst from 1998 to 1999 and afterward as a Portfolio Manager covering a wide range of industries, including Paper and Packaging as well as General Industrials. Formerly, Mr. Kauffman was a Supervising Senior Accountant at KPMG Peat Marwick LLP from 1994 to 1996. Prior to this, he was a Staff Accountant at Pattillo, Brown & Hill CPAs from 1992 to 1994. He received a BBA in Accounting from Baylor University and an MBA from Duke University. Mr. Kauffman is a Chartered Financial Analyst and a Certified Public Accountant.

*See "Risk Factors—Effect of Decisions of the Reference Portfolio Manager on the Securities."*

**The Reference Portfolio Management Agreement**

*The following summary generally describes certain provisions of the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and is qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement, which is incorporated herein by reference.*

Subject to the terms of the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement, the Reference Portfolio Manager will select the initial Reference Portfolio, make decisions to remove and add Reference Obligations under the Swap Agreement (including, in the case of an addition, the determination of the Reference Price and with respect to a removal, the determination of the Final Price and the related Obligation Value Reduction Amount or Obligation Value Increase Amount), provide to the Collateral Administrator on behalf of the Swap Counterparty certain information specified in the Collateral Administration Agreement and review the reports prepared pursuant to the Indenture and the Collateral Administration Agreement. *See "Description of the Securities—The Indenture and the Collateral Administration Agreement—Reports."* The Reference Portfolio Manager will act under the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement as the agent of and on behalf of the Swap Counterparty and not on behalf of the Issuer. Any actions directed by the Reference Portfolio Manager may change the composition and characteristics of the Reference Portfolio and the rate of payment thereon and, accordingly, may affect, through the Swap Agreement, the return to the Holders of the Securities. *See "Risk Factors—Conflicts of Interest Involving the Reference Portfolio Manager" and "—Role of the Reference Portfolio Manager."*

The Reference Portfolio Manager may engage in other business and furnish investment management, advisory and other types of services to its Affiliates and other clients whose investment policies differ from, or are the same as, those followed by the Reference Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Swap Counterparty, as required by the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement and the Swap Agreement. The Reference Portfolio Manager may make recommendations to or effect transactions for such Affiliates and other clients which may differ from those effected with respect to the Swap Agreement. *See "Risk Factors—Conflicts of Interest Involving the Reference Portfolio Manager."*

As compensation for the performance of its obligations under the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement, the Swap Counterparty will be obligated, as provided in the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement, to pay to the Reference Portfolio Manager on each Payment Date fees in an amount equal to the sum of the Base Amount, the Subordinate Amount, if any, and the Incentive Amount, if any, for such date. Such amounts will accrue if unpaid and be payable on the next Payment Date on which funds are available therefor as described in the definitions thereof. The Base Amount and the Subordinate Amount will accrue interest at a rate of LIBOR plus 3.0% per annum if deferred.

The Swap Counterparty has agreed to reimburse the Reference Portfolio Manager for certain expenses and other amounts to the extent and only to the extent the Swap Counterparty receives compensation for such amounts from the Issuer as Administrative Expenses. The Reference Portfolio Manager will be responsible for its ordinary

expenses incurred in the course of performing its obligations under the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement; *provided, however*, that in no event shall the Reference Portfolio Manager be liable for the fees, expenses and costs of legal advisers, rating agencies, accountants, auditors, recordkeepers and other professionals retained by the Swap Counterparty.

The Reference Portfolio Manager will not be liable for any loss incurred as a result of the actions taken or recommended by the Reference Portfolio Manager under the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement or the Swap Agreement, or for any other act or omission by the Reference Portfolio Manager in the performance of its obligations under the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement and the Swap Agreement or otherwise in any event whatsoever, except by reason of acts or omissions constituting bad faith, fraud, willful misconduct, gross negligence or breach of fiduciary duty in the performance of, or reckless disregard of, its duties and obligations thereunder and under the provisions of the Swap Agreement applicable to it. Neither the Issuer nor the Holders of the Securities will have any rights, as third party beneficiaries or otherwise, against the Reference Portfolio Manager under the Swap Agreement or the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement and the Reference Portfolio Manager will have no liability to the Issuer or the Holders of the Securities under either such agreement. The Issuer and the Holders of Securities will have no direct recourse against the Reference Portfolio Manager as a result of action or inaction by the Reference Portfolio Manager under the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement or the Swap Agreement. The Swap Counterparty and its agents and each of their respective shareholders, officers, directors, employees or agents will be entitled to indemnification (or, in certain cases, contribution) by the Issuer from and against any and all loss, liability, claim, damage and expense of any kind incurred by any of them in connection with the Swap Agreement or the Reference Portfolio Manager's engagement under the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement or as a result of the Reference Portfolio Manager's performance of its obligations and duties under the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement or under the Swap Agreement, except as may result from the Reference Portfolio Manager's bad faith, fraud, willful misconduct, gross negligence or breach of fiduciary duty in the performance, or reckless disregard, of its duties, under the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement. These amounts will be Administrative Expenses, which will be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Swap Counterparty has agreed to reimburse the Reference Portfolio Manager for certain such losses, liabilities, claims, damages and expenses to the extent the Swap Counterparty receives such amounts from the Issuer.

Subject to the following provisions regarding removal or resignation of the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement will be entered into on the Closing Date for a term until the termination date of the Swap Agreement unless sooner terminated. The Reference Portfolio Manager may be removed under the following circumstances:

- (1) The Issuer may request the Swap Counterparty to remove the Reference Portfolio Manager without cause, upon not less than 90 days' prior written notice to the Reference Portfolio Manager, upon the vote of at least 66 2/3% (in Aggregate Principal Amount) of the Income Notes and at least 66 2/3% (in Aggregate Principal Amount) of each Class of Senior Notes. Upon receipt of such a request, the Swap Counterparty, in its sole discretion, may, but will not be obligated to, remove the Reference Portfolio Manager.
- (2) The Swap Counterparty will have the right in its sole discretion to remove the Reference Portfolio Manager for cause at any time, as specifically set forth in the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement (including the bankruptcy or insolvency of the Reference Portfolio Manager or fraud or criminal violation by the Reference Portfolio Manager). The Issuer may request the Swap Counterparty to remove the Reference Portfolio Manager for cause at any time, upon the vote of at least 66 2/3% (in Aggregate Principal Amount) of each Class of Senior Notes and at least 66 2/3% (in Aggregate Principal Amount) of the Income Notes. Upon receipt of such a request, the Swap Counterparty may, but will not be obligated to, remove the Reference Portfolio Manager.

The Reference Portfolio Manager may terminate the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement at any time upon not less than 90 days' written notice to the Swap Counterparty and each Rating Agency. No resignation or removal of the Reference Portfolio Manager will be effective until a successor Reference Portfolio Manager has been appointed in accordance with the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement and such successor reference portfolio manager accepts such appointment. The Swap Counterparty may, but is not obligated to, consult with the

Issuer when selecting a replacement Reference Portfolio Manager. If so consulted, the Issuer will follow the instructions of the Holders of a majority (in Aggregate Principal Amount) of Income Notes; *provided* that the Issuer shall not follow such direction as to any replacement Reference Portfolio Manager if the Holders of at least 66 2/3% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Senior Notes object to such replacement Reference Portfolio Manager. Securities beneficially owned (whether acquired on the Closing Date or at any time subsequent thereto) by the Reference Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates or by an account or fund for which the Reference Portfolio Manager or an Affiliate acts as the investment advisor with discretionary authority shall be disregarded and deemed not to be Outstanding and may not be voted with respect to any such vote as to the removal or replacement of the Reference Portfolio Manager. If within 90 days following a notice of resignation or a notice of removal no replacement Reference Portfolio Manager has been appointed and accepted such appointment, the Reference Portfolio Manager may petition a court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a replacement Reference Portfolio Manager.

The Reference Portfolio Manager may direct the Swap Counterparty to extend the Portfolio Modification Period and the term of the Swap Agreement in accordance with the provisions of the Swap Agreement, and the Swap Counterparty has agreed to follow that direction, subject to the satisfaction of the Extension Conditions. *See “Description of the Swap Agreement—Extension of the Swap Agreement” and “Description of the Securities—Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities and Extension of Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities.”*

The Reference Portfolio Manager may request the Swap Counterparty to elect to effect an Amendment Buy-Out. The Swap Counterparty has agreed to follow such a request subject to certain conditions. *See “Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out.”*

## PURCHASE AND TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS

The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or any state “Blue Sky” laws or the securities laws of any other jurisdiction and, accordingly, may not be reoffered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred except in accordance with the restrictions set forth in the Indenture and described under “*Notices to Purchasers*” and below.

Without limiting the foregoing, by holding a Security, each Holder of Securities will acknowledge and agree, among other things, that such Holder of Securities understands that neither of the Issuers is registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act, but that the Issuer claims exemption from registration as such by virtue of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act. In general terms, Section 3(c)(7) excepts from the provisions of the Investment Company Act those non-U.S. issuers (i) whose investors residing in the United States are Qualified Purchasers and (ii) which do not make a public offering of their securities in the United States. In general terms, Qualified Purchaser is defined to mean, among other things, (i) natural persons who own not less than U.S. \$5,000,000 in “investments”; (ii) a company that owns not less than U.S. \$5,000,000 in “investments” and that is owned directly or indirectly by or for two or more natural persons who are related as siblings or spouses (including former spouses), or direct lineal descendants by birth or adoption, spouses of such persons, the estates of such persons, or foundations, charitable organizations, or trusts established by or for the benefit of such persons; (iii) certain trusts that were not formed for the specific purposes of acquiring the securities offered, as to which the trustee or other person authorized to make decisions with respect to the trust, and each settlor or other person who has contributed assets to the trust, is a qualified purchaser (other than certain trusts); and (iv) any person, acting for its own account or the accounts of other qualified purchasers, who in the aggregate owns and invests on a discretionary basis, not less than U.S. \$25,000,000 in “investments.” For purposes of the definition of “qualified purchaser,” “investments” has the meaning given such term in Rule 270.2a51-1 under the Investment Company Act. See “*Risk Factors—Investment Company Act Considerations.*”

### Senior Notes

#### Legend

Unless determined otherwise by the Issuers in accordance with applicable law and so long as any Class of Senior Notes is outstanding, the Senior Notes will bear a legend substantially as set forth below:

“THIS NOTE HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “SECURITIES ACT”), ANY STATE SECURITIES LAWS IN THE UNITED STATES OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY OTHER JURISDICTION AND THE ISSUERS HAVE NOT REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT”). THE HOLDER HEREOF, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF THIS NOTE, REPRESENTS THAT IT HAS OBTAINED THIS NOTE IN A TRANSACTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT, THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT AND ALL OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OR ANY OTHER JURISDICTION, AND THE RESTRICTIONS ON SALE AND TRANSFER SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. THE HOLDER HEREOF, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF THIS NOTE, FURTHER REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT REOFFER, RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER THIS NOTE (OR ANY INTEREST HEREIN) EXCEPT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT, THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT AND ALL OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS OF ANY JURISDICTION AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CERTIFICATIONS AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS SPECIFIED IN THE INDENTURE REFERRED TO HEREIN (A) TO A TRANSFEREE (1) THAT IS A “QUALIFIED PURCHASER” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT, (2) THAT (i) WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE NOTES, (ii) HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS IF THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (iii) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN U.S. \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS, (iv) IS NOT A PARTNERSHIP, COMMON TRUST FUND, SPECIAL TRUST, PENSION, PROFIT SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND

OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS, AS APPLICABLE, MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENTS TO BE MADE, (v) IS ACQUIRING ITS NOTES IN A TRANSACTION THAT MAY BE EFFECTED WITHOUT LOSS OF ANY APPLICABLE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT EXEMPTION AND (vi) AGREES TO PROVIDE NOTICE TO ANY SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS APPLICABLE TO THIS NOTE PROVIDED IN THIS LEGEND AND THE INDENTURE AND (3) THAT IS A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A "QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER" AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A "QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER" IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, OR (B) TO A TRANSFEREE THAT IS NOT A U.S. PERSON (AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT) AND IS ACQUIRING THIS NOTE IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, AND, IN THE CASE OF BOTH CLAUSES (A) AND (B), IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN THE APPLICABLE MINIMUM DENOMINATION.

EACH PURCHASER OR TRANSFEREE OF THIS NOTE WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE OR AN EXHIBIT THERETO.

THIS NOTE IS TRANSFERABLE ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS DESCRIBED HEREIN. ANY SALE OR TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID *AB INITIO*, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUERS, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THIS NOTE AGREES TO PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH HEREIN AND IN THE INDENTURE TO THE TRANSFEREE. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO COMPEL THE RESALE OF ANY INTEREST IN THIS NOTE PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO OR HELD BY ANY NON-PERMITTED HOLDER IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE INDENTURE.

IN ADDITION, A HOLDER MAY BE REQUIRED TO SELL ITS INTEREST IN THIS NOTE AS PROVIDED IN THE INDENTURE IF IT DOES NOT CONSENT TO AMENDMENTS TO THE INDENTURE OR THE SWAP AGREEMENT.

FURTHER, NO SALE OR TRANSFER OF THIS NOTE (OR ANY INTEREST HEREIN) MAY BE MADE UNLESS SUCH SALE OR TRANSFER WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF THE U.S. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA"), OR SECTION 4975 OF THE U.S. INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE") (OR, IN THE CASE OF A GOVERNMENTAL PLAN, ANY SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL LAW) FOR WHICH AN EXEMPTION IS NOT AVAILABLE, ALL OF THE CONDITIONS OF WHICH ARE SATISFIED."

#### **Transferees of Interests in Rule 144A Global Notes**

Each initial purchaser and subsequent transferee who is purchasing an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will be deemed to have represented and agreed as follows:

1. It (a) is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is acquiring the Notes in reliance on the exemption from Securities Act registration provided by Rule 144A thereunder, (b) is a Qualified Purchaser and (c) understands the Notes will bear the legend set forth above and be represented by one or more Rule 144A Global Notes. In addition, it represents and warrants that it (i) was not formed for the purpose of investing in the Notes, (ii) has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners if the purchaser is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, (iii) is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than U.S. \$25,000,000 in

securities of unaffiliated issuers, (iv) is not a partnership, common trust fund, special trust, pension, profit sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants, as applicable, may designate the particular investments to be made, (v) is acquiring its Notes in a transaction that may be effected without loss of any applicable Investment Company Act exemption, (vi) will provide notice to any subsequent transferee of the transfer restrictions applicable to such Notes under the Indenture or provided in the legend of such Notes, (vii) will hold and transfer its beneficial interest in any Note only in a principal amount of not less than the applicable minimum denomination and (viii) will provide the Issuer from time to time such information as it may reasonably request in order to ascertain compliance with this paragraph 1.

2. The Notes are being purchased or transferred in accordance with the transfer restrictions set forth in the Indenture and pursuant to an exemption from Securities Act registration, and in accordance with applicable state securities laws or securities laws of any other relevant jurisdiction. It understands that the Notes have been offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or the securities laws of any states, and, if in the future it decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Notes, such Notes may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with an exemption from registration under such laws and pursuant to the provisions of the Indenture and the legend on such Notes. In particular, it understands that interests in the Notes may be transferred only to (a) a Qualified Purchaser that is a Qualified Institutional Buyer or (b) a person that is not a "U.S. person" as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Purchasers and transferees who reside in certain states or jurisdictions may be subject to additional suitability standards and/or specific holding periods before the Notes may be resold or otherwise transferred. It acknowledges that no representation is made as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or any state or other securities laws for resale of the Notes.
3. In connection with the purchase of the Notes (*provided* that no such representations in clauses (a), (b) or (c) below are made with respect to the Reference Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates by the Reference Portfolio Manager or any Affiliate of the Reference Portfolio Manager or by any account managed or advised by the Reference Portfolio Manager or any Affiliate of the Reference Portfolio Manager): (a) it understands that none of the Issuers, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Collateral Administrator, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for such beneficial owner; (b) such beneficial owner is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Issuers, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates or agents and independent contractors in their capacities as such other than statements, if any, of such person in a current offering circular for the Notes; (c) such beneficial owner has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisers to the extent it has deemed necessary and has made its own investment decisions based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisers as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Issuers, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates or agents and independent contractors in their capacities as such; (d) such beneficial owner's purchase of the Notes will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located; (e) such beneficial owner is acquiring the Notes as principal solely for its own account for investment and not with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act; (f) such beneficial owner has made investments prior to the date hereof and was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Notes; (g) such beneficial owner shall not hold any Notes for the benefit of any other person, it shall at all times be the sole beneficial owner thereof for purposes of the Investment Company Act and all other purposes and it shall not sell participation interests in the Notes or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the

distributions on the Notes; (h) all Notes (together with any other securities of the Issuers) purchased and held directly or indirectly by such beneficial owner constitute in the aggregate an investment of no more than 40% of its assets or capital and (i) it is a sophisticated investor and is purchasing the Notes with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof, and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume those risks.

4. On each day from the date on which such beneficial owner acquires its interest in the Notes through and including the date on which such beneficial owner disposes of its interest in such Notes, either (A) such beneficial owner is not a Plan (as defined herein), an entity whose underlying assets include the assets of any Plan by reason of Department of Labor regulation Section 2510.3-101 or otherwise, or a governmental plan that is subject to any federal, state or local law which is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("ERISA"), or Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") or (B) such beneficial owner's purchase, holding and disposition of such Notes (or interest therein) will not constitute or result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental plan, any substantially similar federal, state or local law) for which an exemption is not available, all of the conditions of which are satisfied.
5. The purchaser understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to demand that any holder of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note who is determined not to be both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser sell the Notes (a) to a person who is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A or (b) to a Person who will take delivery of the holder's interest in the Rule 144A Global Note in the form of an interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Regulation S Global Note, as applicable, and who is not a U.S. Person in a transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S and, if the holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may cause such holder of the beneficial interest to sell its interest in the Note on such terms as the Issuer may choose.
6. The purchaser understands that in the case of any amendment to the Indenture or the Swap Agreement that requires consent of one or more holders of this Notes, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase at a purchase price determined pursuant to the Indenture the beneficial interest in this Notes from any holder thereof that either (i) has declared in writing that it will not consent to such amendment or (ii) had not consented to such amendment by the last day on which consent could be given in accordance with the request therefor; and such holder will be required to sell its beneficial interest in this Notes to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at the applicable purchase price.
7. The purchaser understands that the maturity of this Note is subject to an extension of four years to August 1, 2020 without consent of any holders of Securities at the option of the Swap Counterparty if certain conditions are satisfied.
8. The purchaser acknowledges that it is its intent and that it understands it is the intent of the Issuer that, for purposes of U.S. federal income, state and local income and franchise tax and any other income taxes, the Issuer will be treated as a corporation, the Senior Notes will be treated as indebtedness of the Issuer, and the Income Notes (in the absence of an administrative determination or judicial ruling to the contrary) will be treated as equity in the Issuer; the purchaser agrees to such treatment and agrees to take no action inconsistent with such treatment.
9. The purchaser is not purchasing the Notes in order to reduce any United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan. In the case of a purchaser that is a bank (as defined in Section 881(c)(3)(a) of the Code) or an affiliate of such a bank, the purchaser (a) is acquiring the Notes as a capital markets investment and will not for any purpose treat the assets of the Issuer as loans acquired in its banking business, and (b) has not proposed or identified, and will not propose or identify, any security or loan for inclusion in the Reference Portfolio.

10. In the case of any purchaser that is not a United States person (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code), the purchaser is not a bank (as defined in Section 881(c)(3)(a) of the Code) or an affiliate of such a bank, unless the purchaser is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States.
11. It acknowledges that the Reference Portfolio Manager will act solely on behalf of the Swap Counterparty and will not act or be deemed to act on behalf of, or have any contractual relationship with, the Issuer or the Holder of Securities.
12. It is aware that, except as otherwise provided in the Indenture, the Notes being sold to it will be represented by one or more Global Notes, and that beneficial interests therein may be held only through DTC.
13. It acknowledges that no governmental agency has passed upon the Notes or made any finding or determination as to the fairness of an investment in the Notes.
14. It acknowledges that certain persons or organizations will perform services on behalf of the Issuers and will receive fees and/or compensation for performing such services as described in this Offering Circular and the Indenture.
15. It acknowledges that the Notes do not represent deposits with or other liabilities or obligations of, and are not guaranteed or endorsed by, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Placement Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser or any of their respective affiliates or any entity related to any of them or any other holder of Notes. It acknowledges that none of such persons will, in any way, be responsible for or stand behind the value or the performance of the Notes. It acknowledges that purchase of Notes involves investment risks including possible delay in payment of distributions and loss of income and principal invested.
16. It understands that the Issuers, the Trustee, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Collateral Administrator, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser and their respective counsel will rely upon the accuracy and truth of the foregoing representations, and it hereby consents to such reliance.

#### **Transferees of Interests in Temporary Regulation S Global Notes and Regulation S Global Notes**

Each initial purchaser and subsequent transferee of Senior Notes who is purchasing an interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or a Regulation S Global Note will be deemed to have made the representations set forth in paragraphs (2), (3), (4), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), (11), (13), (14) and (15) above and in addition to have further represented and agreed as follows:

1. It is aware that the sale of Notes to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Regulation S and understands that the Notes offered in reliance on Regulation S will bear the legend set forth above. It and each beneficial owner of its Notes is not, and will not be, a U.S. Person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act, and its purchase of the Notes will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located. In addition, it represents and warrants that it will (i) provide notice to any subsequent transferee of the transfer restrictions provided in such legend and in the Indenture, (ii) hold and transfer its beneficial interest in any Note only in a principal amount of not less than the applicable minimum denomination and (iii) provide the Issuer from time to time such information as it may reasonably request in order to ascertain compliance with this paragraph 1.
2. It understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to demand that any holder of a beneficial interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Regulation S Global Note who is determined not to have acquired such beneficial interest in compliance with the requirements of Regulation S or who is a U.S. Person sell such beneficial interest (a) to a Person who is not a U.S. Person in a



transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S or (b) to a Person who will take delivery of the holder's interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Notes or Regulation S Global Notes in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note, who is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A, and, if the holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may cause the holder to sell its beneficial interest on such terms as the Issuer may choose.

3. Such beneficial owner is aware that, except as otherwise provided in the Indenture, the Notes being sold to it will be represented (a) initially, by one or more Temporary Regulation S Global Notes and (b) after the Exchange Date, by one or more Regulation S Global Notes, and that beneficial interests therein may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream.
4. A holder of a beneficial interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note must provide Euroclear or Clearstream or the participant organization through which it holds such interest, as applicable, with a certificate certifying that the beneficial owner of the interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note is a non-U.S. Person and Euroclear or Clearstream, as applicable, must provide to the Trustee a certificate to such effect, prior to (a) the payment of interest or principal with respect to such holder's beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note and (b) any exchange of such beneficial interest for a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note.
5. It understands that any resale or other transfer of beneficial interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Regulation S Global Note to U.S. Persons shall not be permitted.
6. It understands that the Issuers, the Trustee, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Collateral Administrator, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser and their respective counsel will rely upon the accuracy and truth of the foregoing representations, and it hereby consents to such reliance.

## Income Notes

### Legend

Unless determined otherwise by the Issuer in accordance with applicable law and so long as the Income Notes are outstanding, the Income Notes will bear a legend substantially as set forth below:

"THESE INCOME NOTES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), ANY STATE SECURITIES LAWS IN THE UNITED STATES OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY OTHER JURISDICTION AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE "INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT"). THE HOLDER HEREOF, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF THESE INCOME NOTES, REPRESENTS THAT IT HAS OBTAINED THESE INCOME NOTES IN A TRANSACTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT, THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT AND ALL OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OR ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION, AND THE RESTRICTIONS ON SALE AND TRANSFER SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. THE HOLDER HEREOF, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF THESE INCOME NOTES, FURTHER REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT REOFFER, RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER THESE INCOME NOTES (OR ANY INTEREST HEREIN) EXCEPT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT, THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT AND ALL OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS OF ANY JURISDICTION AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CERTIFICATIONS AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS SPECIFIED IN THE INDENTURE REFERRED TO HEREIN (A) TO A TRANSFEREE (1) THAT IS A "QUALIFIED PURCHASER" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT, (2) THAT (i) WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER, (ii) HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS IF THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (iii) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS

LESS THAN U.S. \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS, (iv) IS NOT A PARTNERSHIP, COMMON TRUST FUND, SPECIAL TRUST, PENSION, PROFIT SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS, AS APPLICABLE, MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENTS TO BE MADE, (v) IS ACQUIRING ITS INCOME NOTES IN A TRANSACTION THAT MAY BE EFFECTED WITHOUT LOSS OF ANY APPLICABLE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT EXEMPTION AND (vi) AGREES TO PROVIDE NOTICE TO ANY SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS PROVIDED IN THIS LEGEND AND THE INDENTURE AND (3) THAT (i) IS A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A "QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER" AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A "QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER" IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OR (ii) IS AN "ACCREDITED INVESTOR" AS DEFINED IN RULE 501(A) UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT (PROVIDED THAT IN THE CASE OF ANY TRANSFER TO A PERSON WHO IS AN "ACCREDITED INVESTOR" PURSUANT TO THIS SUBCLAUSE (ii) AND IF REQUESTED BY THE TRUSTEE OR THE ISSUER, THE TRANSFEROR OR THE TRANSFEREE HAS PROVIDED AN OPINION OF COUNSEL TO EACH OF THE TRUSTEE AND THE ISSUER THAT SUCH TRANSFER MAY BE MADE PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND ANY APPLICABLE STATE SECURITIES LAW), OR (B) TO A TRANSFEREE THAT IS NOT A U.S. PERSON (AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT) AND IS ACQUIRING THESE INCOME NOTES IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, AND IN THE CASE OF BOTH CLAUSES (A) AND (B), IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN THE APPLICABLE MINIMUM AUTHORIZED DENOMINATIONS. EACH PURCHASER OR TRANSFEREE OF THESE INCOME NOTES WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SUBSTANTIALLY IN THE FORM SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE OR AN EXHIBIT THERETO.

THESE INCOME NOTES ARE TRANSFERABLE ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS DESCRIBED HEREIN. ANY SALE OR TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID *AB INITIO*, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THESE INCOME NOTES AGREES TO PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH HEREIN AND IN THE INDENTURE TO THE TRANSFEREE. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO COMPEL THE RESALE OF ANY INTEREST IN THESE INCOME NOTES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO OR HELD BY NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS OF INCOME NOTES IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE INDENTURE.

IN ADDITION, A HOLDER MAY BE REQUIRED TO SELL ITS INTEREST IN THIS INCOME NOTE AS PROVIDED IN THE INDENTURE IF IT DOES NOT CONSENT TO AMENDMENTS TO THE INDENTURE OR THE SWAP AGREEMENT.

THESE INCOME NOTES MAY BE BENEFICIALLY OWNED ONLY BY PERSONS THAT CAN CONTINUE TO MAKE, ON EACH DAY SUCH BENEFICIAL OWNER OWNS THESE INCOME NOTES, THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS WITH RESPECT TO THE U.S. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED, AND RELATED MATTERS SET FORTH IN THE REPRESENTATION LETTER DELIVERED UPON PURCHASE."

#### **Transferees of Certificated Income Notes**

Each initial purchaser and subsequent transferee of Certificated Income Notes will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Trustee a written certification in substantially the form provided in the Indenture, containing representations substantially to the following effect (among other requirements of the Indenture) (with such modifications as may be acceptable to the Issuer):

1. It (1)(a)(i) is a Qualified Institutional Buyer or (ii) is an Accredited Investor, and is acquiring the Income Notes in reliance on an exemption from Securities Act registration (*provided* that in the

case of any transfer to an Accredited Investor pursuant to this clause (ii) and if requested by the Issuer or the Trustee, the transferor or the transferee has provided an opinion of counsel to each of the Trustee and the Issuer that such transfer may be made pursuant to an exemption from registration under the Securities Act and any applicable state securities law) and (b) is a Qualified Purchaser or (2) it is not a U.S. Person (as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act) and is acquiring the Income Notes in an offshore transaction in compliance with Rule 903 or Rule 904 of Regulation S under the Securities Act, as applicable, and in the case of both (1) and (2) understands the Income Notes will bear the legend set forth above. In addition, if it is acquiring pursuant to clause (1), it represents and warrants that it (i) was not formed for the purpose of investing in the Income Notes, (ii) has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners if the purchaser is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, (iii) is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than U.S. \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (iv) is not a partnership, common trust fund, special trust, pension, profit sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants, as applicable, may designate the particular investments to be made, and (v) is acquiring its Income Notes in a transaction that may be effected without loss of any applicable Investment Company Act exemption. In addition, it represents and warrants that it will hold and transfer its interest in any Income Note only in a principal amount of not less than the applicable authorized minimum denominations.

2. The Income Notes are being purchased or transferred in accordance with the transfer restrictions set forth in the Indenture and pursuant to an exemption from Securities Act registration, and in accordance with applicable state securities laws or securities laws of any other relevant jurisdiction. It understands that the Income Notes have been offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Income Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or the securities laws of any states, and, if in the future it decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Income Notes, such Income Notes may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with an exemption from registration under such laws and pursuant to the provisions of the Indenture and the legend on such Income Notes. In particular, it understands that the Income Notes may be transferred only to (a) a Qualified Purchaser that is either (i) a Qualified Institutional Buyer or (ii) an Accredited Investor or (b) a person that is not a "U.S. person" as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Purchasers and transferees who reside in certain states or jurisdictions may be subject to additional suitability standards and/or specific holding periods before the Income Notes may be resold or otherwise transferred. It acknowledges that no representation is made as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or any state or other securities laws for resale of the Income Notes.
3. In connection with the purchase of the Income Notes (*provided* that no such representations in clauses (a), (b) or (c) below are made with respect to the Reference Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates by the Reference Portfolio Manager or any Affiliate of the Reference Portfolio Manager or by any account managed or advised by the Reference Portfolio Manager or any Affiliate of the Reference Portfolio Manager): (a) it understands that none of the Issuers, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Collateral Administrator, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for such beneficial owner; (b) it is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Issuers, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates or agents and independent contractors in their capacities as such other than any statements, if any, of such person in a current offering circular for the Income Notes; (c) it has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisers to the extent it has deemed necessary and has made its own investment decisions based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisers as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Issuer, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Collateral

Administrator, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates or agents and independent contractors in their capacities as such; (d) its purchase of the Income Notes will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located; (e) it is acquiring the Income Notes as principal solely for its own account for investment and not with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act; (f) it has made investments prior to the date hereof and was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Income Notes; (g) it will not hold any Income Notes for the benefit of any other person, it will at all times be the sole beneficial owner thereof for purposes of the Investment Company Act and all other purposes and it will not sell participation interests in the Income Notes or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the distributions on the Income Notes; (h) all Income Notes (together with any other securities of the Issuers) purchased and held directly or indirectly by it constitute in the aggregate an investment of no more than 40% of its assets or capital and (i) it is a sophisticated investor and is purchasing the Income Notes with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof, and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume those risks.

4. It is (or is not, as applicable) using funds to purchase the Income Notes that are assets of (i) an employee benefit plan as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA, whether or not such plan is subject to Title I of ERISA, including, without limitation, U.S. federal, state or local governmental plans, foreign pension plans and church plans, (ii) a plan described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code, whether or not subject to Section 4975 of the Code, including without limitation, individual retirement accounts and Keogh plans or (iii) an entity whose underlying assets include “plan assets” by reason of the investment by an employee benefit plan or other plan in such entity, including without limitation, as applicable, an insurance company general account (the plans and entities described in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) being referred to as “Benefit Plan Investors”). Its purchase, holding and disposition of such Income Notes will not result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental plan, any substantially similar federal, state or local law) for which an exemption is not available, all the conditions of which are satisfied. It is (or is not, as applicable) the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser or any other person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuers or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to such assets or any “affiliate” (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) of any such person (a “Controlling Person”). Furthermore, it, and any of its fiduciaries causing it to acquire the Income Notes, agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser and their respective affiliates from any losses, liabilities, expenses, damages, claims, proceedings and excise taxes incurred by them as a result of any of the foregoing representations made by it being or becoming false. It acknowledges and agrees that a purchase or proposed transfer will not be permitted, and the Issuer and the Trustee will not register any such purchase by or proposed transfer to any Person, if Persons that are Benefit Plan Investors would own 25% or more of the outstanding Income Notes (excluding (i) Income Notes represented by the Class Q-1 Income Note Component of the Class Q-1 Securities and Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A and (ii) Income Notes held by Controlling Persons) immediately after such purchase or proposed transfer (determined in accordance with the Plan Asset Regulation and the Indenture). It understands that the Issuer may require any holder of the Income Notes that has made a false representation with respect to the foregoing matters to sell the Income Notes and, if such holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may sell such holder’s interest in the Income Notes. It understands that any transfer effected in connection with such a representation that was false will be of no force and effect, will be void *ab initio*, and will not operate to transfer any rights to the transferee, notwithstanding any instructions to the contrary to the Issuer, the Trustee or any intermediary.
5. The purchaser understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to demand that (1) any U.S. Person that is a Holder of a Certificated Income Note who is determined not to be a Qualified

Purchaser and a Qualified Institutional Buyer or Accredited Investor and (2) any non-U.S. Person who is determined not to have acquired the Income Notes in compliance with the requirements of Regulation S, sell the Certificated Income Note (a) to a Person who is both (i) a Qualified Institutional Buyer or an Accredited Investor (*provided* that in the case of any transfer to an Accredited Investor and if requested by the Trustee or the Issuer, the transferor or the transferee has provided an opinion of counsel to each of the Trustee and the Issuer that such transfer may be made pursuant to an exemption from registration under the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws) and (ii) a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A of the Securities Act or another applicable exemption from the Securities Act (in the case of a transferee who is an Accredited Investor) or (b) to a Person who is not a U.S. Person in a transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S, and, if the Holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may cause such Holder to sell its Certificated Income Notes on such terms as the Issuer may choose.

6. The purchaser understands that in the case of any amendment to the Indenture or the Swap Agreement that requires consent of one or more holders of Income Notes, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase at a purchase price determined pursuant to the Indenture the Income Notes from any Holder thereof that either (i) has declared in writing that it will not consent to such amendment or (ii) had not consented to such amendment by the last day on which consent could be given in accordance with the request therefor; and such Holder will be required to sell its Income Notes to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at the applicable purchase price.
7. The purchaser understands that the maturity of the Income Notes is subject to an extension of four years to August 1, 2020 without consent of any holders of Securities at the option of the Swap Counterparty if certain conditions are satisfied.
8. The purchaser acknowledges that it is its intent and that it understands it is the intent of the Issuer that, for purposes of U.S. federal income, state and local income and franchise tax and any other income taxes, the Issuer will be treated as a corporation, the Senior Notes will be treated as indebtedness of the Issuer, and the Income Notes (in the absence of an administrative determination or judicial ruling to the contrary) will be treated as equity in the Issuer; the purchaser agrees to such treatment and agrees to take no action inconsistent with such treatment.
9. The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer is not authorized to engage in activities that could cause it to constitute a finance or lending business for federal income tax purposes and agrees that it will report its investment in the Income Notes in a manner consistent with such limitation, and in particular will not treat the Issuer as an “eligible controlled foreign corporation” for purposes of Section 954(h) of the Code or as deriving income described in Section 1297(b)(2) of the Code.
10. It has provided the Trustee on or immediately prior to its purchase of the Income Notes with a properly completed Form W-9 if it is a “U.S. person” for purposes of the Code that is not exempt from such requirement, and a properly completed Form W-8BEN if it is not a “U.S. person.”
11. The purchaser is not purchasing the Income Notes in order to reduce any United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan. In the case of a purchaser that is a bank (as defined in Section 881(c)(3)(a) of the Code) or an affiliate of such a bank, the purchaser (a) is acquiring the Income Notes as a capital markets investment and will not for any purpose treat the assets of the Issuer as loans acquired in its banking business, and (b) has not proposed or identified, and will not propose or identify, any security or loan for inclusion in the Reference Portfolio.
12. In the case of any purchaser that is not a United States person (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code), the purchaser is not a bank (as defined in Section 881(c)(3)(a) of the Code) or an affiliate of such a bank, unless the purchaser is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States.

13. It acknowledges that the Reference Portfolio Manager will act solely on behalf of the Swap Counterparty and will not act or be deemed to act on behalf of, or have any contractual relationship with, the Issuer or any Holder of Securities.
14. The purchaser agrees to notify subsequent transferees of all transfer restrictions applicable to holders of Income Notes set forth in the Indenture or described in this Offering Circular.
15. The purchaser acknowledges that no governmental agency has passed upon the Income Notes or made any finding or determination as to the fairness of an investment in the Income Notes.
16. The purchaser acknowledges that certain persons or organizations will perform services on behalf of the Issuers and will receive fees and/or compensation for performing such services as described in this Offering Circular and the Indenture.
17. Within five days after receipt of a written request therefor from the Issuer or the Trustee, the purchaser agrees to provide any information and to execute and deliver such documents that may reasonably be necessary to comply with the laws and ordinances to which the Issuer is subject by reason of the offering of the Income Notes and the involvement of the purchaser therewith.
18. The purchaser acknowledges that the Income Notes do not represent deposits with or other liabilities or obligations of, and are not guaranteed or endorsed by, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Placement Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser or any of their respective affiliates or any entity related to any of them or any other holder of Income Notes. It acknowledges that none of such persons will, in any way, be responsible for or stand behind the value or the performance of the Income Notes. It acknowledges that purchase of Income Notes involves investment risks including possible delay in payment of distributions and loss of income and principal invested.
19. The purchaser understands that the Issuers, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Collateral Administrator, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser and their respective counsel will rely upon the accuracy and truth of the foregoing representations, and it hereby consents to such reliance.

#### **Class Q-1 Securities**

##### Legend

Unless determined otherwise by the Issuers in accordance with applicable law and so long as any Class Q-1 Security is outstanding, the Class Q-1 Securities will bear a legend substantially as set forth below.

“THIS SECURITY HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “SECURITIES ACT”), ANY STATE SECURITIES LAWS IN THE UNITED STATES OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY OTHER JURISDICTION AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT”). THE HOLDER HEREOF, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF THIS SECURITY, REPRESENTS THAT IT HAS OBTAINED THIS SECURITY IN A TRANSACTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT, THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT AND ALL OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OR ANY OTHER JURISDICTION, AND THE RESTRICTIONS ON SALE AND TRANSFER SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. THE HOLDER HEREOF, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF THIS SECURITY, FURTHER REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT REOFFER, RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER THIS SECURITY (OR ANY INTEREST HEREIN) EXCEPT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT, THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT AND ALL OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS OF ANY JURISDICTION AND IN

ACCORDANCE WITH THE CERTIFICATIONS AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS SPECIFIED IN THE INDENTURE REFERRED TO HEREIN (A) TO A TRANSFEREE (1) THAT IS A “QUALIFIED PURCHASER” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT, (2) THAT (i) WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE SECURITIES, (ii) HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS IF THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (iii) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN U.S. \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS, (iv) IS NOT A PARTNERSHIP, COMMON TRUST FUND, SPECIAL TRUST, PENSION, PROFIT SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS, AS APPLICABLE, MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENTS TO BE MADE, (v) IS ACQUIRING ITS SECURITIES IN A TRANSACTION THAT MAY BE EFFECTED WITHOUT LOSS OF ANY APPLICABLE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT EXEMPTION AND (vi) AGREES TO PROVIDE NOTICE TO ANY SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS PROVIDED IN THIS LEGEND AND THE INDENTURE AND (3) THAT IS A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A “QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER” AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A “QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER” IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, OR (B) TO A TRANSFEREE THAT IS NOT A U.S. PERSON (AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT) AND IS ACQUIRING THIS SECURITY IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, AND, IN THE CASE OF BOTH CLAUSES (A) AND (B), IN THE APPLICABLE MINIMUM AUTHORIZED DENOMINATIONS.

EACH PURCHASER OR TRANSFEREE OF THIS SECURITY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SUBSTANTIALLY IN THE FORM SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE OR AN EXHIBIT THERETO.

THIS SECURITY IS TRANSFERABLE ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS DESCRIBED HEREIN. ANY SALE OR TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID *AB INITIO*, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THIS SECURITY AGREES TO PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH HEREIN AND IN THE INDENTURE TO THE TRANSFEREE. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO COMPEL THE RESALE OF ANY INTEREST IN THIS SECURITY PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO OR HELD BY ANY NON-PERMITTED HOLDER IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE INDENTURE.

IN ADDITION, A HOLDER MAY BE REQUIRED TO SELL ITS INTEREST IN THIS SECURITY (OR COMPONENT THEREOF) AS PROVIDED IN THE INDENTURE IF IT DOES NOT CONSENT TO AMENDMENTS TO THE INDENTURE OR THE SWAP AGREEMENT.

THIS SECURITY MAY BE BENEFICIALLY OWNED ONLY BY PERSONS THAT CAN CONTINUE TO MAKE, ON EACH DAY SUCH BENEFICIAL OWNER OWNS THIS SECURITY, THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS WITH RESPECT TO THE U.S. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED, AND RELATED MATTERS SET FORTH IN THE REPRESENTATION LETTER DELIVERED UPON PURCHASE.”

#### **Transferees of Certificated Class Q-1 Securities**

Each initial purchaser of Certificated Class Q-1 Securities and each subsequent transferee of Certificated Class Q-1 Securities or interests in Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Securities or Class Q-1 Reg S Global Securities will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Trustee a written certification in substantially the form provided in

the Indenture, containing representations substantially to the following effect (among other requirements of the Indenture) (with such modifications as may be acceptable to the Issuer):

1. It (1)(a) is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is acquiring the Class Q-1 Securities in reliance on an exemption from Securities Act registration and (b) is a Qualified Purchaser or (2) it is not a U.S. Person (as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act) and is acquiring the Class Q-1 Securities in an offshore transaction in compliance with Rule 903 or Rule 904 of Regulation S under the Securities Act, as applicable, and in the case of both (1) and (2) understands the Class Q-1 Securities will bear the legend set forth above. In addition, if it is acquiring pursuant to clause (1), it represents and warrants that it (i) was not formed for the purpose of investing in the Class Q-1 Securities, (ii) has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners if the purchaser is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, (iii) is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than U.S. \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (iv) is not a partnership, common trust fund, special trust, pension, profit sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants, as applicable, may designate the particular investments to be made, and (v) is acquiring its Class Q-1 Securities in a transaction that may be effected without loss of any applicable Investment Company Act exemption. In addition, it represents and warrants that it will hold and transfer its interest in any Class Q-1 Security only in the applicable minimum denomination.
2. The Class Q-1 Securities are being purchased or transferred in accordance with the transfer restrictions set forth in the Indenture and pursuant to an exemption from Securities Act registration, and in accordance with applicable state securities laws or securities laws of any other relevant jurisdiction. It understands that the Class Q-1 Securities have been offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Class Q-1 Securities have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or the securities laws of any states, and, if in the future it decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Class Q-1 Securities, such Class Q-1 Securities may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with an exemption from registration under such laws and pursuant to the provisions of the Indenture and the legend on such Class Q-1 Securities. In particular, it understands that the Class Q-1 Securities may be transferred only to (a) a Qualified Purchaser that is also a Qualified Institutional Buyer or (b) a person that is not a "U.S. person" as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act, and in either case only to a Person who takes delivery in the form of a Class Q-1 Certificated Security. Purchasers and transferees who reside in certain states or jurisdictions may be subject to additional suitability standards and/or specific holding periods before the Class Q-1 Securities may be resold or otherwise transferred. It acknowledges that no representation is made as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or any state securities laws for resale of the Class Q-1 Securities. It acknowledges that the Class Q-1 Securities may be purchased or transferred only in minimum denominations in which each Component thereof satisfies the applicable minimum denomination requirement.
3. In connection with the purchase of the Class Q-1 Securities (*provided* that no such representations in clauses (a), (b) or (c) below are made with respect to the Reference Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates by the Reference Portfolio Manager or any Affiliate of the Reference Portfolio Manager or by any account managed or advised by the Reference Portfolio Manager or any Affiliate of the Reference Portfolio Manager): (a) it understands that none of the Issuers, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Placement Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Collateral Administrator, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for it; (b) it is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Issuers, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Placement Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates or agents and independent contractors in their capacities as such other than any statements, if any, of such person in a current offering circular for the Class Q-1 Securities; (c) it has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisers to the extent



it has deemed necessary and has made its own investment decisions based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisers as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Issuer, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Placement Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates or agents and independent contractors in their capacities as such; (d) its purchase of the Class Q-1 Securities will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located; (e) it is acquiring the Class Q-1 Securities as principal solely for its own account for investment and not with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act; (f) it has made investments prior to the date hereof and was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Class Q-1 Securities; (g) it will not hold any Class Q-1 Securities for the benefit of any other person, it will at all times be the sole beneficial owner thereof for purposes of the Investment Company Act and all other purposes and it will not sell participation interests in the Class Q-1 Securities or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the distributions on the Class Q-1 Securities; (h) all Class Q-1 Securities (together with any other securities of the Issuers) purchased and held directly or indirectly by it constitute in the aggregate an investment of no more than 40% of its assets or capital and (i) it is a sophisticated investor and is purchasing the Class Q-1 Securities with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof, and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume those risks.

4. It is not using funds to purchase the Class Q-1 Securities that are assets of (i) an employee benefit plan as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA, whether or not such plan is subject to Title I of ERISA, including, without limitation, U.S. federal, state or local governmental plans, foreign pension plans and church plans, (ii) a plan described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code, whether or not subject to Section 4975 of the Code, including without limitation, individual retirement accounts and Keogh plans or (iii) an entity whose underlying assets include "plan assets" by reason of the investment by an employee benefit plan or other plan in such entity, including without limitation, as applicable, an insurance company general account (the plans and entities described in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) being referred to as "Benefit Plan Investors"). Furthermore, it, and any of its fiduciaries causing it to acquire the Class Q-1 Securities, agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser and their respective affiliates from any losses, liabilities, expenses, damages, claims, proceedings and excise taxes incurred by them as a result of any of the foregoing representations made by it being or becoming false. It acknowledges and agrees that a purchase or proposed transfer will not be permitted, and the Issuer and the Trustee will not register any such purchase by or proposed transfer to a Person that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor. It understands that the Issuer may require any holder of the Class Q-1 Securities that has made a false representation with respect to the foregoing matters to sell the Class Q-1 Securities and, if such holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may sell such holder's interest in the Class Q-1 Securities. It understands that any transfer effected in connection with such a representation that was false will be of no force and effect, will be void *ab initio*, and will not operate to transfer any rights to the transferee, notwithstanding any instructions to the contrary to the Issuer, the Trustee or any intermediary.
5. The purchaser understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to demand that (1) any U.S. Person that is a Holder of a Certificated Class Q-1 Security who is determined not to be a Qualified Purchaser and a Qualified Institutional Buyer or (2) any non-U.S. Person that is a Holder of a Certificated Class Q-1 Security determined not to have acquired the Class Q-1 Securities in compliance with the requirements of Regulation S, sell the Class Q-1 Securities (a) to a Person who is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A of the Securities Act or (b) to a Person who is not a U.S. Person in a transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S, in either case to a Person who will take delivery in the form of a Class Q-1 Certificated Security and, if the Holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may cause it to sell its Class Q-1 Securities on such terms as the Issuer may choose.

6. The purchaser understands that in the case of any amendment to the Indenture or the Swap Agreement that requires consent of one or more holders of Class Q-1 Securities (or holders of any Class of Notes that constitutes a Component thereof), the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase at a purchase price determined pursuant to the Indenture the Class Q-1 Securities (or the affected Component thereof) from any holder thereof that either (i) has declared in writing that it will not consent to such amendment or (ii) had not consented to such amendment by the last day on which consent could be given in accordance with the request therefor; and such holder will be required to sell either its Class Q-1 Securities or the affected Component thereof (at the holder's option) to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at the applicable purchase price.
7. The purchaser understands that the maturity of the Class Q-1 Securities is subject to an extension of four years to August 1, 2020 without consent of any holders of Securities at the option of the Swap Counterparty if certain conditions are satisfied.
8. The purchaser acknowledges that it is its intent and that it understands it is the intent of the Issuer that, for purposes of U.S. federal income, state and local income and franchise tax and any other income taxes, the Issuer will be treated as a corporation, the Senior Notes will be treated as indebtedness of the Issuer, and the Income Notes (in the absence of an administrative determination or judicial ruling to the contrary) will be treated as equity in the Issuer; the purchaser agrees to such treatment and agrees to take no action inconsistent with such treatment.
9. The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer is not authorized to engage in activities that could cause it to constitute a finance or lending business for federal income tax purposes and agrees that it will report its investment in the Class Q-1 Securities in a manner consistent with such limitation, and in particular will not treat the Issuer as an "eligible controlled foreign corporation" for purposes of Section 954(h) of the Code or as deriving income described in Section 1297(b)(2) of the Code.
10. It has provided the Trustee on or immediately prior to its purchase of the Class Q-1 Securities with a properly completed Form W-9 if it is a "U.S. person" for purposes of the Code that is not exempt from such requirement, and a properly completed Form W-8BEN if it is not a "U.S. person."
11. The purchaser is not purchasing the Class Q-1 Securities in order to reduce any United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan. In the case of a purchaser that is a bank (as defined in Section 881(c)(3)(a) of the Code) or an affiliate of such a bank, the purchaser (a) is acquiring the Class Q-1 Securities as a capital markets investment and will not for any purpose treat the assets of the Issuer as loans acquired in its banking business, and (b) has not proposed or identified, and will not propose or identify, any security or loan for inclusion in the Reference Portfolio.
12. In the case of any purchaser that is not a United States person (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code), the purchaser is not a bank (as defined in Section 881(c)(3)(a) of the Code) or an affiliate of such a bank, unless the purchaser is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States.
13. It acknowledges that the Reference Portfolio Manager will act solely on behalf of the Swap Counterparty and will not act or be deemed to act on behalf of, or have any contractual relationship with, the Issuer or any Holder of Securities.
14. The purchaser agrees to notify subsequent transferees of all transfer restrictions applicable to holders of Class Q-1 Securities set forth in the Indenture or described in this Offering Circular.
15. The purchaser acknowledges that no governmental agency has passed upon the Class Q-1 Securities or made any finding or determination as to the fairness of an investment in the Class Q-1 Securities.

16. The purchaser acknowledges that certain persons or organizations will perform services on behalf of the Issuers and will receive fees and/or compensation for performing such services as described in this Offering Circular and the Indenture.
17. Within five days after receipt of a written request therefor from the Issuer or the Trustee, the purchaser agrees to provide any information and to execute and deliver such documents that may reasonably be necessary to comply with the laws and ordinances to which the Issuer is subject by reason of the offering of the Class Q-1 Securities and the involvement of the purchaser therewith.
18. The purchaser acknowledges that the Class Q-1 Securities do not represent deposits with or other liabilities or obligations of, and are not guaranteed or endorsed by, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Placement Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser or any of their respective affiliates or any entity related to any of them or any other holder of Class Q-1 Securities. It acknowledges that none of such persons will, in any way, be responsible for or stand behind the value or the performance of the Class Q-1 Securities. It acknowledges that purchase of Class Q-1 Securities involves investment risks including possible delay in payment of distributions and loss of income and principal invested.
19. It understands that the Issuers, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Collateral Administrator, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser and their respective counsel will rely upon the accuracy and truth of the foregoing representations, and it hereby consents to such reliance.

#### **Initial purchasers of Interests in Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Securities**

Each initial purchaser of Class Q-1 Securities who is purchasing an interest in a Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Security will be required to provide the Issuer and the Trustee a written certificate in substantially the form provided in the Indenture, containing representations substantially to the effect as the representations set forth in paragraphs (2), (3), (4), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), (11), (12), (13), (14), (15), (16), (17) and (18) above and in addition containing representations substantially to the following effect (with such modifications as may be acceptable to the Issuer):

1. It is aware that the sale of Class Q-1 Securities to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Regulation S and understands that the Class Q-1 Securities offered in reliance on Regulation S will bear the legend set forth above. It and each beneficial owner of its Class Q-1 Securities is not, and will not be, a U.S. Person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act, and its purchase of the Class Q-1 Securities will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located. In addition, it represents and warrants that it will (i) provide notice to any subsequent transferee of the transfer restrictions provided in such legend and in the Indenture, (ii) hold and transfer its beneficial interest in any Class Q-1 Securities only in a principal amount of not less than the applicable minimum denomination and (iii) provide the Issuer from time to time such information as it may reasonably request in order to ascertain compliance with this paragraph 1.
2. It understands and agrees that no resale or other transfer of beneficial interests in a Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Security or Class Q-1 Reg S Global Security will be permitted and any transferee of Class Q-1 Securities must take delivery in the form of a Certificated Class Q-1 Security.
3. It understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to demand that any holder of a beneficial interest in a Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Security or Class Q-1 Reg S Global Security who is determined not to have acquired such beneficial interest in compliance with the requirements of Regulation S or who is a U.S. Person sell such beneficial interest (a) to a Person who is not a U.S. Person in a transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S or (b) to a Person who is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A, in either case to a Person who takes delivery in the form of a Certificated Class Q-1

Security and, and, if the holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may cause the holder to sell its beneficial interest on such terms as the Issuer may choose.

4. Such beneficial owner is aware that, except as otherwise provided in the Indenture, the Class Q-1 Securities being sold to it will be represented (a) initially, by one or more Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Securities and (b) after the Exchange Date, by one or more Class Q-1 Reg S Global Securities, and that beneficial interests therein may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream.
5. A holder of a beneficial interest in a Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Security must provide Euroclear or Clearstream or the participant organization through which it holds such interest, as applicable, with a certificate certifying that the beneficial owner of the interest in the Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Security is a non-U.S. Person and Euroclear or Clearstream, as applicable, must provide to the Trustee a certificate to such effect, prior to (a) the payment of interest or principal with respect to such beneficial owner's beneficial interest in the Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Security and (b) any exchange of such beneficial interest for a beneficial interest in a Class Q-1 Reg S Global Security.
6. It understands that the Issuers, the Trustee, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Collateral Administrator, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser and their respective counsel will rely upon the accuracy and truth of the foregoing representations, and it hereby consents to such reliance.

## **Class Q-2 Securities**

### Legend

Unless determined otherwise by the Issuers in accordance with applicable law and so long as any Class Q-2 Security is outstanding, the Class Q-2 Securities will bear a legend substantially as set forth below.

“THIS SECURITY HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “SECURITIES ACT”), ANY STATE SECURITIES LAWS IN THE UNITED STATES OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY OTHER JURISDICTION AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT”). THE HOLDER HEREOF, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF THIS SECURITY, REPRESENTS THAT IT HAS OBTAINED THIS SECURITY IN A TRANSACTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT, THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT AND ALL OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OR ANY OTHER JURISDICTION, AND THE RESTRICTIONS ON SALE AND TRANSFER SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. THE HOLDER HEREOF, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF THIS SECURITY, FURTHER REPRESENTS, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT REOFFER, RESELL, PLEDGE OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER THIS SECURITY (OR ANY INTEREST HEREIN) EXCEPT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT, THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT AND ALL OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS OF ANY JURISDICTION AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CERTIFICATIONS AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS SPECIFIED IN THE INDENTURE REFERRED TO HEREIN (A) IN THE CASE OF CLASS Q-2A SECURITIES ONLY, TO A TRANSFEREE (1) THAT IS A “QUALIFIED PURCHASER” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT, (2) THAT (i) WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE SECURITIES, (ii) HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS IF THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (iii) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN U.S. \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS, (iv) IS NOT A PARTNERSHIP, COMMON TRUST FUND, SPECIAL TRUST, PENSION, PROFIT SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS, AS APPLICABLE, MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENTS TO BE MADE, (v) IS ACQUIRING ITS SECURITIES IN A TRANSACTION THAT MAY BE EFFECTED WITHOUT LOSS OF ANY

APPLICABLE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT EXEMPTION AND (vi) AGREES TO PROVIDE NOTICE TO ANY SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS PROVIDED IN THIS LEGEND AND THE INDENTURE AND (3) THAT IS A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A "QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER" AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A "QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER" IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, OR (B) TO A TRANSFEREE THAT IS NOT A U.S. PERSON (AS DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT) AND IS ACQUIRING THIS SECURITY IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT (AND, IN THE CASE OF A CLASS Q-2B SECURITY ONLY, IS AN ELIGIBLE CONTRACT PARTICIPANT AS DEFINED IN SECTION 1A(12) OF THE U.S. COMMODITY EXCHANGE ACT), AND, IN THE CASE OF BOTH CLAUSES (A) AND (B), IN THE APPLICABLE MINIMUM AUTHORIZED DENOMINATIONS.

EACH PURCHASER OR TRANSFEREE OF THIS SECURITY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SUBSTANTIALLY IN THE FORM SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE OR AN EXHIBIT THERETO.

THIS SECURITY IS TRANSFERABLE ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS DESCRIBED HEREIN. ANY SALE OR TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID *AB INITIO*, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THIS SECURITY AGREES TO PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH HEREIN AND IN THE INDENTURE TO THE TRANSFEREE. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO COMPEL THE RESALE OF ANY INTEREST IN THIS SECURITY PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO OR HELD BY ANY NON-PERMITTED HOLDER IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE INDENTURE.

THIS SECURITY MAY BE BENEFICIALLY OWNED ONLY BY PERSONS THAT CAN CONTINUE TO MAKE, ON EACH DAY SUCH BENEFICIAL OWNER OWNS THIS SECURITY, THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS WITH RESPECT TO THE U.S. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED, AND RELATED MATTERS SET FORTH IN THE REPRESENTATION LETTER DELIVERED UPON PURCHASE."

#### **Transferees of Certificated Class Q-2 Securities**

Each initial purchaser and subsequent transferee of Certificated Class Q-2 Securities will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Trustee a written certification in substantially the form provided in the Indenture, containing representations substantially to the following effect (among other requirements of the Indenture) ( with such modifications as may be acceptable to the Issuer):

1. It (1) it is not a U.S. Person (as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act) and is acquiring the Class Q-2 Securities in an offshore transaction in compliance with Rule 903 or Rule 904 of Regulation S under the Securities Act (and, in the case of the Class Q-2B Securities only, is an eligible contract participant as defined in Section 1a(12) of the U.S. Commodity Exchange Act), or (2) in the case of the Class Q-2A Securities only, (a) is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is acquiring the Class Q-2 Securities in reliance on an exemption from Securities Act registration and (b) is a Qualified Purchaser, as applicable, and in the case of both (1) and (2) understands the Class Q-2 Securities will bear the legend set forth above. In addition, if it is acquiring Class Q-2A Securities pursuant to clause (2), it represents and warrants that it (i) was not formed for the purpose of investing in the Class Q-2A Securities, (ii) has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners if the purchaser is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, (iii) is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than U.S. \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (iv) is not a partnership, common trust fund, special trust, pension, profit sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners,

beneficiaries or participants, as applicable, may designate the particular investments to be made, and (v) is acquiring its Class Q-2A Securities in a transaction that may be effected without loss of any applicable Investment Company Act exemption. In addition, it represents and warrants that it will hold and transfer its interest in any Class Q-2 Security only in the applicable minimum denomination.

2. The Class Q-2 Securities are being purchased or transferred in accordance with the transfer restrictions set forth in the Indenture and pursuant to an exemption from Securities Act registration, and in accordance with applicable state securities laws or securities laws of any other relevant jurisdiction. It understands that the Class Q-2 Securities have been offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Class Q-2 Securities have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or the securities laws of any states, and, if in the future it decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Class Q-2 Securities, such Class Q-2 Securities may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with an exemption from registration under such laws and pursuant to the provisions of the Indenture and the legend on such Class Q-2 Securities. In particular, it understands that the Class Q-2 Securities may be transferred only to (a) a person that is not a "U.S. person" as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act (and, in the case of the Class Q-2B Securities only, is an eligible contract participant as defined in the U.S. Commodity Exchange Act), or (b) in the case of the Class Q-2A Securities only, a Qualified Purchaser that is also a Qualified Institutional Buyer. Purchasers and transferees who reside in certain states or jurisdictions may be subject to additional suitability standards and/or specific holding periods before the Class Q-2 Securities may be resold or otherwise transferred. It acknowledges that no representation is made as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or any state securities laws for resale of the Class Q-2 Securities.
  
3. In connection with the purchase of the Class Q-2 Securities (*provided* that no such representations in clauses (a), (b) or (c) below are made with respect to the Reference Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates by the Reference Portfolio Manager or any Affiliate of the Reference Portfolio Manager or by any account managed or advised by the Reference Portfolio Manager or any Affiliate of the Reference Portfolio Manager): (a) it understands that none of the Issuers, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Placement Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Collateral Administrator, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for such beneficial owner; (b) it is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Issuers, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Placement Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates or agents and independent contractors in their capacities as such other than any statements, if any, of such person in a current offering circular for the Class Q-2 Securities; (c) it has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisers to the extent it has deemed necessary and has made its own investment decisions based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisers as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Issuer, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Placement Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates or agents and independent contractors in their capacities as such; (d) its purchase of the Class Q-2 Securities will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located; (e) it is acquiring the Class Q-2 Securities as principal solely for its own account for investment and not with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act; (f) it has made investments prior to the date hereof and was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Class Q-2 Securities; (g) it will not hold any Class Q-2 Securities for the benefit of any other person, it will at all times be the sole beneficial owner thereof for purposes of the Investment Company Act and all other purposes and it will not sell participation interests in the Class Q-2 Securities or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the distributions on the Class Q-2 Securities; (h) all Class Q-2 Securities (together with any other securities of the Issuers) purchased

and held directly or indirectly by it constitute in the aggregate an investment of no more than 40% of its assets or capital and (i) it is a sophisticated investor and is purchasing the Class Q-2 Securities with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof, and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume those risks.

4. (A) In the case of the Class Q-2A Securities, on each day from the date on which purchaser acquires the Class Q-2A Securities through and including the date on which the purchaser disposes of its Class Q-2A Securities, either (i) the purchaser is not an “employee benefit plan” (as defined in Section 3(3) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”)) subject to the provisions of Title I of ERISA, a “plan” (as defined in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”)) subject to the provisions of Section 4975 of the Code, an entity whose underlying assets include “plan assets” by reason of Department of Labor regulation Section 2510.3-101 or otherwise, or a governmental plan that is subject to any federal, state or local law which is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA, or Section 4975 of the Code or (ii) the Purchaser’s purchase, holding and disposition of the Class Q-2A Securities will not constitute or result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental plan, any substantially similar federal, state or local law) for which an exemption is not available, all of the conditions of which are satisfied; or  
  
(B) In the case of the Class Q-2B Securities, it is not using funds to purchase the Class Q-2B Securities that are assets of (i) an employee benefit plan as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA, whether or not such plan is subject to Title I of ERISA, including, without limitation, U.S. federal, state or local governmental plans, foreign pension plans and church plans, (ii) a plan described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code, whether or not subject to Section 4975 of the Code, including without limitation, individual retirement accounts and Keogh plans or (iii) an entity whose underlying assets include “plan assets” by reason of the investment by an employee benefit plan or other plan in such entity, including without limitation, as applicable, an insurance company general account (the plans and entities described in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) being referred to as “Benefit Plan Investors”). Furthermore, it, and any of its fiduciaries causing it to acquire the Class Q-2B Securities, agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Reference Portfolio Manager and their respective affiliates from any losses, liabilities, expenses, damages, claims, proceedings and excise taxes incurred by them as a result of any of the foregoing representations made by it being or becoming false. It acknowledges and agrees that a purchase or proposed transfer will not be permitted, and the Issuer and the Trustee will not register any such purchase by or proposed transfer to a Person that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor. It understands that the Issuer may require any holder of the Class Q-2B Securities that has made a false representation with respect to the foregoing matters to sell the Class Q-2B Securities and, if such holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may sell such holder’s interest in the Class Q-2B Securities. It understands that any transfer effected in connection with such a representation that was false will be of no force and effect, will be void *ab initio*, and will not operate to transfer any rights to the transferee, notwithstanding any instructions to the contrary to the Issuer, the Trustee or any intermediary.
5. The purchaser understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to demand that (1) any U.S. Person that is a Holder of a Certificated Class Q-2B Security, (2) any U.S. Person that is a Holder of Certificated Class Q-2A Security who is determined not to be a Qualified Purchaser and a Qualified Institutional Buyer or (3) any non-U.S. Person that is a Holder of a Certificated Class Q-2 Security determined not to have acquired the Class Q-2 Securities in compliance with the requirements of Regulation S, sell the Class Q-2 Securities (a) to a Person who is not a U.S. Person in a transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S, or (2) in the case of the Class Q-2A Securities only, to a Person who is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser, and if the Holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may cause such Holder to sell its Class Q-2 Securities on such terms as the Issuer may choose.
6. The purchaser understands that in the case of any amendment to the Indenture or the Swap Agreement that requires consent of one or more holders of Income Notes, the Indenture permits

the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase at a purchase price determined pursuant to the Indenture the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A, if the Holders of Class Q-2 Securities who pursuant to the Indenture have voting rights with respect to the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A would be deemed to be a Non-consenting Holder with respect to such Income Notes and such amendment pursuant to the provisions of the Indenture.

7. The purchaser understands that the maturity of the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A is subject to an extension of four years to August 1, 2020 without consent of any holders of Securities at the option of the Swap Counterparty if certain conditions are satisfied.
8. The purchaser acknowledges that it is its intent and that it understands it is the intent of the Issuer that, for purposes of U.S. federal income, state and local income and franchise tax and any other income taxes, the Issuer will be treated as a corporation, the Senior Notes will be treated as indebtedness of the Issuer, and the Income Notes (in the absence of an administrative determination or judicial ruling to the contrary) (including the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A) will be treated as equity in the Issuer; and the purchaser agrees to such treatment and agrees to take no action inconsistent with such treatment.
9. In the case of a purchaser of the Class Q-2B Securities, the purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer is not authorized to engage in activities that could cause it to constitute a finance or lending business for federal income tax purposes and agrees that it will report its investment in the Class Q-2B Securities in a manner consistent with such limitation, and in particular will not treat the Issuer as an “eligible controlled foreign corporation” for purposes of Section 954(h) of the Code or as deriving income described in Section 1297(b)(2) of the Code.
10. In the case of a purchaser of the Class Q-2A Securities, the purchaser has provided the Trustee on or immediately prior to its purchase of the Class Q-2A Securities with a properly completed Form W-9 if it is a “U.S. person” for purposes of the Code that is not exempt from such requirement, and a properly completed Form W-8BEN if it is not a “U.S. person.”
11. In the case of a purchaser of the Class Q-2B Securities, it is not a United States person (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) and is not subject to U.S. federal income tax with respect to its investment in the Class Q-2B Securities and has provided the Trustee on or immediately prior to its purchase of the Class Q-2B Securities with a properly completed Form W-8BEN.
12. The purchaser is not purchasing the Class Q-2 Securities in order to reduce any United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan. In the case of a purchaser that is a bank (as defined in Section 881(c)(3)(a) of the Code) or an affiliate of such a bank, the purchaser (a) is acquiring the Class Q-2 Securities as a capital markets investment and will not for any purpose treat the assets of the Issuer as loans acquired in its banking business, and (b) has not proposed or identified, and will not propose or identify, any security or loan for inclusion in the Reference Portfolio.
13. In the case of any purchaser that is not a United States person (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code), the purchaser is not a bank (as defined in Section 881(c)(3)(a) of the Code) or an affiliate of such a bank, unless the purchaser is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States.
14. It acknowledges that the Reference Portfolio Manager will act solely on behalf of the Swap Counterparty and will not act or be deemed to act on behalf of, or have any contractual relationship with, the Issuer or any Holder of Securities.
15. The purchaser agrees to notify subsequent transferees of all transfer restrictions applicable to holders of Class Q-2 Securities set forth in the Indenture or described in this Offering Circular.



16. The purchaser acknowledges that no governmental agency has passed upon the Class Q-2 Securities or made any finding or determination as to the fairness of an investment in the Class Q-2 Securities.
17. The purchaser acknowledges that certain persons or organizations will perform services on behalf of the Issuers and will receive fees and/or compensation for performing such services as described in this Offering Circular and the Indenture.
18. Within five days after receipt of a written request therefor from the Issuer or the Trustee, the purchaser agrees to provide any information and to execute and deliver such documents that may reasonably be necessary to comply with the laws and ordinances to which the Issuer is subject by reason of the offering of the Class Q-2 Securities and the involvement of the purchaser therewith.
19. The purchaser acknowledges that the Class Q-2 Securities do not represent deposits with or other liabilities or obligations of, and are not guaranteed or endorsed by, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Placement Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser or any of their respective affiliates or any entity related to any of them or any other holder of Class Q-2 Securities. It acknowledges that none of such persons will, in any way, be responsible for or stand behind the value or the performance of the Class Q-2 Securities. It acknowledges that purchase of Class Q-2 Securities involves investment risks including possible delay in payment of distributions and loss of income and principal invested.
20. It understands that the Issuers, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Collateral Administrator, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser and their respective counsel will rely upon the accuracy and truth of the foregoing representations, and it hereby consents to such reliance.

#### **Reliance on Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act**

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has registered with the Commission as an investment company pursuant to the Investment Company Act, the Issuer in reliance on Section 3(c)(7) thereof, and the Co-Issuer, in reliance on the fact that it holds no “securities.” To rely on Section 3(c)(7), the Issuer must have a “reasonable belief” that all purchasers of the Rule 144A Global Notes and all U.S. purchasers of Certificated Securities (including initial purchasers and subsequent transferees) are Qualified Purchasers and that all purchasers of Temporary Regulation S Global Notes and Regulation S Global Notes (including the initial purchasers and subsequent transferees) are non-U.S. Persons. The Issuer will establish such a reasonable belief by means of the representations, warranties and agreements made, or deemed made, by the purchasers of Securities under “*Purchase and Transfer Restrictions*” above, the agreements of the Initial Purchaser and the Placement Agent made in the note purchase agreement and placement agency agreement (the “Placement Agency Agreement”), as applicable, and certain Issuer covenants and undertakings pursuant to the Indenture (collectively, the “Section 3(c)(7) Procedures”).

#### **Additional Income Note Restrictions**

Under the Swap Agreement, the Swap Counterparty will agree that neither it nor any of its Affiliates will purchase, acquire or own any Income Notes, *provided* that the Swap Counterparty or an Affiliate may purchase, acquire or own Income Notes if it is acting in its capacity as a broker or dealer and is purchasing, acquiring or owning the Income Notes solely in order to hold the Income Notes for sale to customers in the ordinary course of its business as a broker or dealer in such securities; *provided, further*, that the Swap Counterparty or an Affiliate may purchase, acquire or own Income Notes for other purposes if the Swap Counterparty has received and provided to the Issuer a written opinion of nationally recognized tax counsel experienced in such matters that for U.S. federal income tax purposes, (a) taking such purchase, acquisition or ownership into account, while not free from doubt the Issuer should not be treated as engaged in the conduct of a trade or business within the United States (or the Issuer should not or will not be treated as so engaged) and (b) such purchase, acquisition or ownership will not otherwise adversely affect the Issuer or investors therein.

## RATINGS

It is a condition to the issuance of the Securities that the Class A-1 Notes be rated “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by Standard & Poor’s, that the Class A-2 Notes be rated at least “Aa2” by Moody’s and at least “AA” by Standard & Poor’s, that the Class B Notes be rated at least “A2” by Moody’s and at least “A” by Standard & Poor’s and that the Class C-1 Notes and the Class C-2 Notes be rated at least “Baa2” by Moody’s and “BBB” by Standard & Poor’s. Such ratings represent a Rating Agency’s view as to the likelihood of timely payment of interest and ultimate payment of principal by the Maturity Date.

In addition, it is a condition to the issuance of the Securities that the Class Q-1 Securities be rated at least “Baa2” by Moody’s. The rating of the Class Q-1 Securities by Moody’s addresses solely the return of the Class Q-1 Rated Principal.

The Income Notes will not be rated by Standard & Poor’s or Moody’s or any other rating agency.

The Issuers will request that each Rating Agency confirm its ratings on the Senior Notes and on the Class Q-1 Securities within 30 days after the Ramp-up End Date.

A security rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning Rating Agency. In the event that a rating initially assigned to any Class of Securities is subsequently lowered for any reason, no person or entity is obligated to provide any additional support or credit enhancement with respect to the Securities.

So long as any of the Senior Notes or Class Q-1 Securities remain Outstanding, the Issuers shall pay for continuous rating surveillance by S&P of the Senior Notes rated by S&P and by Moody’s of the Senior Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities rated by Moody’s. The failure of Moody’s or Standard & Poor’s to review or if requested, to confirm a rating or the withdrawal of a rating does not constitute an Event of Default under the Indenture.

The Issuer will notify the Irish Stock Exchange, so long as any Securities are listed thereon, if the ratings assigned to any Class of Securities are reduced or withdrawn.

## PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

The Senior Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class Q-2A Securities are being offered by Citigroup Global Markets Inc. (in such capacity, the “Initial Purchaser”) pursuant to a purchase agreement with the Issuers, and the Income Notes and the Class Q-2B Securities are being offered by the Issuer through Citigroup Global Markets Inc. (in such capacity, the “Placement Agent”) pursuant to the Placement Agency Agreement to prospective purchasers from time to time in individually negotiated transactions at varying prices to be determined in each case at the time of sale. Securities will be offered (i) except in the case of the Class Q-2B Securities, within the United States to Qualified Purchasers that are also (A) Qualified Institutional Buyers or (B) in the case of the Income Notes only, Accredited Investors, and (ii) outside the United States in reliance on Regulation S. *See “Purchase and Transfer Restrictions.”*

The purchase agreement provides that the obligation of the Initial Purchaser to purchase the Senior Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class Q-2A Securities is subject to approval of legal matters by counsel and to other conditions. The Initial Purchaser must purchase all the Senior Notes, Class Q-1 Securities and Class Q-2A Securities if it purchases any of such Securities.

In connection with sales outside the United States, with respect to the Senior Notes, Class Q-1 Securities and Class Q-2A Securities, the Initial Purchaser, and with respect to the Income Notes and the Class Q-2B Securities, the Placement Agent, have agreed that, except as permitted by the purchase agreement or the Placement Agency Agreement, as the case may be, they will not offer or sell the Notes and the Class Q Securities within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons (i) as part of its distribution at any time or (ii) otherwise (a) with respect to the Senior Notes, until 40 days after the later of the commencement of the offering and the Closing Date, and it will have sent to each dealer to which it sells Senior Notes during the 40-day restricted period, (b) with respect to the Income Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class Q-2A Securities, until one year after the later of the commencement of the offering and the Closing Date, and it will have sent to each dealer to which it sells Income Notes, Class Q-1 Securities and Class Q-2A Securities during the one year restricted period, and (c) with respect to the Class Q-2B Securities, at any time, and it will have sent to each dealer to which it sells Class Q-2B Securities, in each case, a confirmation or other notice setting forth the restrictions on offers and sales of

the Notes and Class Q Securities within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. Persons. In addition, until 40 days (with respect to the Senior Notes) and one year (with respect to the Income Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class Q-2A Securities) after the commencement of this offering, an offer or sale of Senior Notes or the Income Notes, Class Q-1 Securities or Class Q-2A Securities, as applicable, within the United States by a dealer that is not participating in this offering may violate the registration requirements of the Securities Act if that offer or sale is made otherwise than in accordance with Rule 144A (or, in the case of the Income Notes, another exemption from registration under the Securities Act). Class Q-2B Securities will not be offered or sold within the United States.

No action is being taken or is contemplated by the Issuers that would permit a public offering of the Securities or possession or distribution of this Offering Circular or any amendment thereof, any supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Issuers or the Securities in any jurisdiction where, or in any other circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required.

The Initial Purchaser and the Placement Agent or their respective Affiliates may have had in the past and may in the future have business relationships and dealings with one or more Reference Entities and their Affiliates and may own equity or debt securities issued by such entities or their Affiliates. The Initial Purchaser and the Placement Agent or their respective Affiliates may have provided and may in the future provide investment banking services to a Reference Entity or its Affiliates and may have received or may receive compensation for such services.

The Issuer has agreed to indemnify the Initial Purchaser and the Placement Agent against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, and has agreed to contribute to payments that the Initial Purchaser and the Placement Agent may be required to make in respect thereof.

The Securities are offered when, as and if issued, subject to prior sale or withdrawal, cancellation or modification of the offer without notice and subject to approval of certain legal matters by counsel and certain other conditions.

The Securities will constitute new classes of securities with no established trading market. Such a market may or may not develop, but the Initial Purchaser and the Placement Agent are not under any obligation to make such a market, and if they do make such a market they may discontinue any market-making activities with respect to the Securities at any time without notice. In addition, market-making activity will be subject to the limits imposed by the Securities Act and the Exchange Act. Accordingly, no assurances can be made as to the liquidity of or the trading market for the Securities.

Citigroup Global Markets Inc. may be contacted at 390 Greenwich Street, New York, New York 10013, Attention: Global Structured Credit Product Group.

### CERTAIN ERISA CONSIDERATIONS

ERISA imposes certain requirements on “employee benefit plans” (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) subject to ERISA, including entities such as collective investment funds and separate accounts whose underlying assets include the assets of such plans (collectively, “ERISA Plans”) and on those persons who are fiduciaries with respect to ERISA Plans. Investments by ERISA Plans are subject to ERISA’s general fiduciary requirements, including the requirement of investment prudence and diversification and the requirement that an ERISA Plan’s investments be made in accordance with the documents governing the ERISA Plan. The prudence of a particular investment must be determined by the responsible fiduciary of an ERISA Plan by taking into account the ERISA Plan’s particular circumstances and all of the facts and circumstances of the investment including, but not limited to, the matters discussed above under “Risk Factors” and the fact that in the future there may be no market in which such fiduciary will be able to sell or otherwise dispose of any Securities it may purchase.

Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code prohibit certain transactions involving the assets of an ERISA Plan (as well as those plans that are not subject to ERISA but which are subject to Section 4975 of the Code, such as individual retirement accounts, including entities whose underlying assets include the assets of such plans (together with ERISA Plans, “Plans”)) and certain persons (referred to as “parties in interest” or “disqualified persons”) having certain relationships to such Plans, unless a statutory or administrative exemption is applicable to the transaction. A party in interest or disqualified person who engages in a prohibited transaction may be subject to excise taxes and other penalties and liabilities under ERISA and the Code.

The U.S. Department of Labor has promulgated a regulation, 29 CFR Section 2510.3-101 (the “Plan Asset Regulation”), describing what constitutes the assets of a Plan with respect to the Plan’s investment in an entity for purposes of certain provisions of ERISA, including the fiduciary responsibility provisions of Title I of ERISA, and Section 4975 of the Code. Under the Plan Asset Regulation, if a Plan invests in an “equity interest” of an entity that is neither a “publicly-offered security” nor a security issued by an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act, the Plan’s assets include both the equity interest and an undivided interest in each of the entity’s underlying assets, unless it is established that the entity is an “operating company” or that equity participation in the entity by Benefit Plan Investors is not “significant.” The term “Benefit Plan Investor” is defined in the Plan Asset Regulation as (a) any employee benefit plan (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA), whether or not it is subject to the provisions of Title I of ERISA, (b) any plan described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code and (c) any entity whose underlying assets include plan assets by reason of a plan’s investment in the entity.

The Senior Notes and the Class Q-2A Securities should not be considered to be “equity interests” in the Issuers. However, the Income Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class Q-2B Securities may constitute “equity interests” in the Issuer for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulation, and such Income Notes, Class Q-1 Securities and Class Q-2B Securities will not constitute “publicly-offered securities” for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulation. In addition, the Issuer will not be registered under the Investment Company Act and it is not likely that the Issuer will qualify as an “operating company” for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulation. Therefore, if equity participation in the Issuer by Benefit Plan Investors is “significant” within the meaning of the Plan Asset Regulation, the assets of the Issuer could be considered to be the assets of any Plans that purchase or hold Income Notes, Class Q-1 Securities or Class Q-2B Securities. In such circumstances, in addition to considering the applicability of ERISA and the Code to the Income Notes, Class Q-1 Securities and Class Q-2B Securities, a Plan fiduciary considering an investment in the Income Notes, Class Q-1 Securities or Class Q-2B Securities would have to consider the applicability of ERISA and the Code to transactions involving the Issuers, Swap Counterparty, Swap Guarantor, Reference Portfolio Manager, Trustee, Collateral Administrator, Investment Agreement Counterparty, Investment Agreement Guarantor, Placement Agent, Initial Purchaser or Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser and their respective Affiliates, including whether such transactions might constitute a prohibited transaction under ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or otherwise may result in a breach of fiduciary duty under ERISA.

Under the Plan Asset Regulation, equity participation in an entity (including the Issuer) by Benefit Plan Investors is “significant” on any date if, immediately after the most recent acquisition of any equity interest in the entity, 25% or more of the value of any class of equity interests in the entity is held by Benefit Plan Investors. For purposes of this determination, the value of equity interests held by a person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the entity or that provides investment advice for a

fee (direct or indirect) with respect to such assets (or any “affiliate” of such a person (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation)) is disregarded (any such person with respect to the Issuers, a “Controlling Person”).

The Issuer intends to limit investment in the Income Notes by Benefit Plan Investors to less than 25% of the Income Notes (excluding (i) Income Notes represented by the Class Q-1 Income Note Component, (ii) Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A and (iii) Income Notes held by Controlling Persons) and to prohibit investment in the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class Q-2B Securities by Benefit Plan Investors entirely. In order to effect these limitations, each prospective purchaser of Income Notes in the initial offering thereof will be required to represent, as to whether such purchaser is a Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person and each prospective purchaser of Class Q-1 Securities and Class Q-2B Securities in the initial offering thereof will be required to represent that such purchaser is not a Benefit Plan Investor. No Income Notes will be sold to any person if Benefit Plan Investors would own 25% or more of the Income Notes (excluding (i) Income Notes represented by the Class Q-1 Income Note Component, (ii) Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A and (iii) Income Notes held by Controlling Persons) immediately after such sale and no Class Q-1 Securities or Class Q-2B Securities will be sold to purchasers that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors. In addition, as a condition to the transfer of Income Notes after the initial offering thereof, each prospective transferee will be required to represent as to whether such transferee is a Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person, and the Trustee will not register the transfer of such Income Notes to any person if Benefit Plan Investors would own 25% or more of the Income Notes (excluding (i) Income Notes represented by the Class Q-1 Income Note Component, (ii) Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A and (iii) Income Notes owned by Controlling Persons) immediately after such transfer. In addition, as a condition to the transfer of Class Q-1 Securities and of Class Q-2B Securities after the initial offering thereof, each prospective transferee will be required to represent that such transferee is not a Benefit Plan Investor, and the Trustee will not register the transfer of such Class Q-1 Securities and Class Q-2B Securities to persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors.

There can be no assurance that there will not be circumstances in which transfers of the Income Notes, Class Q-1 Securities and Class Q-2B Securities will be required to be restricted in order to comply with the aforementioned transfer limitations. Moreover, there can be no assurance that, despite the restrictions relating to purchases by or proposed transfers to Benefit Plan Investors and Controlling Persons, the assets of the Issuer would not be deemed to constitute assets of any Plans that purchase or hold the Income Notes, Class Q-1 Securities or Class Q-2 Securities.

Additionally, prohibited transactions within the meaning of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code may arise if Securities are acquired by a Plan with respect to which the Issuers, Swap Counterparty, Reference Portfolio Manager, Trustee, Collateral Administrator, Investment Agreement Counterparty, Investment Agreement Guarantor, Placement Agent, Initial Purchaser or Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, or any of their respective Affiliates, is a party in interest or a disqualified person. Certain exemptions from the prohibited transaction provisions of Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code may be applicable, however, depending in part on the type of Plan fiduciary making the decision to acquire an interest in a Security and the circumstances under which such decision is made. Included among these exemptions are Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption (“PTCE”) 96-23 (relating to transactions directed by an in-house professional asset manager); PTCE 95-60 (relating to transactions involving insurance company general accounts); PTCE 91-38 (relating to investments by bank collective investment funds); PTCE 84-14 (relating to transactions effected by a qualified professional asset manager); and PTCE 90-1 (relating to investments by insurance company pooled separate accounts). There can be no assurance that any of these class exemptions or any other exemption will be available with respect to any particular transaction involving the Securities.

BY ITS PURCHASE OF ANY NOTE IN THE FORM OF A GLOBAL NOTE, THE PURCHASER THEREOF WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE REPRESENTED AND WARRANTED, AND PURCHASERS OF INCOME NOTES AND CLASS Q-2A SECURITIES WILL BE REQUIRED TO REPRESENT AND WARRANT, ON EACH DAY FROM THE DATE ON WHICH THE PURCHASER ACQUIRES ITS INTEREST IN SUCH SECURITY THROUGH AND INCLUDING THE DATE ON WHICH THE PURCHASER DISPOSES OF ITS INTEREST IN SUCH SECURITY, EITHER THAT (A) IT IS NOT A PLAN, AN ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE THE ASSETS OF A PLAN BY REASON OF DEPARTMENT OF LABOR REGULATION SECTION 2510.3-101 OR OTHERWISE, OR A GOVERNMENTAL PLAN WHICH IS SUBJECT TO ANY FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL LAW THAT IS SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE

PROVISIONS OF SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE OR (B) ITS PURCHASE, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF SUCH SECURITY WILL NOT RESULT IN A PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE (OR, IN THE CASE OF A GOVERNMENTAL PLAN, ANY SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL LAW) FOR WHICH AN EXEMPTION IS NOT AVAILABLE, ALL THE CONDITIONS OF WHICH ARE SATISFIED.

Governmental plans and certain church plans, while not subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA or the provisions of Section 4975 of the Code, may nevertheless be subject to local, state or other federal laws that are substantially similar to the foregoing provisions of ERISA and the Code. Fiduciaries of any such plans should consult with their counsel before purchasing any Securities.

Any Plan fiduciary that proposes to cause a Plan to purchase an interest in any Securities should consult with its counsel regarding the applicability of the fiduciary responsibility and prohibited transaction provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code to such an investment, and to confirm that such investment will not constitute or result in a prohibited transaction or any other violation of an applicable requirement of ERISA, the Code or other applicable law.

The sale of interests in any Securities to a Plan is in no respect a representation by the Issuers, Initial Purchaser, Placement Agent, Swap Counterparty, Reference Portfolio Manager, Trustee, Collateral Administrator or Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser that such an investment meets all relevant legal requirements with respect to investments by Plans generally or any particular Plan, or that such an investment is appropriate for Plans generally or any Plan.

## **CERTAIN INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS**

### **General**

The following summary describes the principal U.S. federal income tax and Cayman Islands tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of the Securities. It does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all the tax considerations that may be relevant to a decision to purchase Securities. In particular, special tax considerations that may apply to certain types of taxpayers, including securities dealers, banks and insurance companies, and to subsequent purchasers of Securities, are not addressed. In addition, this summary does not describe any tax consequences arising under the laws of any taxing jurisdiction other than the United States federal government and the Cayman Islands. In general, the summary assumes that a holder acquires a Security at original issuance and holds such Security as a capital asset and not as part of a hedge, straddle, or conversion transaction, within the meaning of section 1258 of the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”).

This summary is based on the U.S. and Cayman Islands tax laws, regulations, rulings and decisions in effect or available on the date of this Offering Circular, as well as the expected Cayman Islands undertaking described in “—*Cayman Islands Tax Considerations*.” All of the foregoing are subject to change, and any change may apply retroactively and could affect the continued validity of this summary, although it is expected that no changes will apply in the Cayman Islands due to the undertaking.

This summary is included herein for general information only, and there can be no assurance that the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (the “IRS”) will take a similar view of the U.S. federal income tax consequences of an investment in the Securities as described herein. Accordingly, prospective purchasers of the Securities should consult their own tax advisors as to U.S. federal income tax and Cayman Islands tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of such Securities, including the possible application of state, local, non-U.S. or other tax laws.

### **Certain United States Tax Considerations**

As used in this section, the term “U.S. holder” means a beneficial owner of a Security who is a citizen or resident of the United States, a U.S. domestic corporation or partnership, any estate the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income tax regardless of the source of its income or any trust if a court within the United States is able

to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust. The term “non-U.S. holder” means a beneficial owner of a Security who is not a U.S. holder.

### **Tax Treatment of the Issuer**

*Classification of the Issuer.* Under Treasury regulations governing the U.S. federal income tax treatment of entities organized under non-U.S. laws, a Cayman Islands limited liability company is generally classified as an association taxable as a corporation unless it affirmatively elects other treatment. The Issuer does not intend to make any such election, and its governing documents preclude its making such an election. By acquiring a Security, a U.S. holder acknowledges that it is the holder’s intent and that the holder understands it is the intent of the Issuer that, for purposes of U.S. federal income, state and local income and franchise tax and any other income taxes, the Issuer will be treated as a corporation, and that the holder agrees to such treatment and agrees to take no action inconsistent with such treatment. The discussion in this Offering Circular assumes that the Issuer will be treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

*United States Federal Income Taxes.* The Issuer, as a foreign corporation, will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on its net income only if it is treated as engaged in a trade or business within the United States. The Issuer intends to operate so as not to be subject to U.S. federal income taxes on its net income. On the Closing Date the Issuer will receive an opinion from Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen & Hamilton to the effect that, under current law and assuming compliance with the Issuer’s Memorandum and Articles, the Indenture, the Swap Agreement, the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement, the certifications by purchasers of the Securities in accordance with the Indenture and other related documents, while not free from doubt, the Issuer’s contemplated activities should not cause it to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States.

Prospective investors should be aware that there can be no assurance that the IRS will not seek to treat the Issuer as being engaged in a trade or business in the United States. The Issuer will rely in part upon Treasury regulations, and upon proposed Treasury regulations with proposed elective retroactive effect, providing in general that non-U.S. persons that trade or invest for their own account in U.S. securities and in derivative financial instruments with U.S. counterparties will not be treated as engaged in a trade or business within the United States. The use of a single swap agreement to transfer to the Issuer a portion of the credit and market risks of a reference portfolio that may consist primarily of Term Loans and Revolving Loans, which reference portfolio is managed by a Reference Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Swap Counterparty, and as to which the underlying instruments may be owned in whole or part by the Swap Counterparty or affiliates thereof, is an unusual structure, however, and no activity closely comparable to that of the Issuer has been the subject of any Treasury regulation, revenue ruling or judicial decision. If the IRS were successfully to characterize the Issuer as being engaged in a trade or business in the United States, among other consequences, the Issuer would be subject to net income taxation in the United States on income that is effectively connected to such trade or business, which could materially adversely affect the Issuer’s financial ability to comply with its obligations with respect to the Senior Notes and to make distributions on the Income Notes. In addition, if the Issuer were held to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States, it could lose its right to claim deductions for U.S. federal income tax purposes unless it has filed a U.S. federal income tax return and could also be subject to the branch profits tax. The remainder of this summary assumes that the Issuer will not be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business.

*Withholding Taxes.* Although the Issuer does not intend to be subject to U.S. federal income tax with respect to its net income, income derived by the Issuer may be subject to withholding taxes imposed by the United States or other countries. In this regard, the Issuer is prohibited from purchasing an Eligible Investment that is subject to withholding tax at the time of acquisition unless the obligor thereof is required to make “gross-up” payments. The Issuer will not, however, make any independent investigation of the circumstances surrounding the issuance of the individual assets comprising the Eligible Investments and there can therefore be no assurance that in every case payments will be received free of withholding tax. Moreover, there can be no assurance that as a result of a change in any applicable law, treaty, rule or regulation or interpretation thereof, the payments on the Eligible Investments might not in the future become subject to withholding tax. Under the Swap Agreement, all payments will be made by the Issuer or the Swap Counterparty free and clear of withholding taxes currently applicable to payments made to non-resident foreign persons.

*Issuance of the Notes.* For U.S. federal income tax purposes, the Issuer, and not the Co-Issuer, will be treated as the obligor of the Senior Notes and as the issuer of the Income Notes.

### **Tax Treatment of U.S. Holders of Senior Notes**

*Classification of the Senior Notes as Debt.* The Class A Notes, Class B Notes and Class C Notes will be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes. By acquiring a Security, a U.S. holder acknowledges that it is the holder's intent and that the holder understands it is the intent of the Issuer that, for purposes of U.S. federal income, state and local income and franchise tax and any other income taxes, the Senior Notes will be treated as indebtedness of the Issuer, and the holder agrees to such treatment and agrees to take no action inconsistent with such treatment.

*Interest and Discount on the Class A Notes.* U.S. holders of Class A Notes will treat stated interest on such Class A Notes as ordinary interest when received or accrued, in accordance with their tax method of accounting. In general, if the "issue price" of a Class A Note (the first price at which a substantial amount of such class of Class A Notes is sold to investors) is less than its principal amount by more than a *de minimis* amount, such Note will be considered to have original issue discount ("OID"). Because the Issuer expects that the Class A Notes will be issued with no more than a *de minimis* amount of OID, a U.S. holder of a Class A Note should not be required to accrue OID over the life of such Senior Note. If, however, a U.S. holder acquires a Class A Note with OID, then regardless of such holder's method of accounting, the holder will be required to include such OID in income as it accrues under a constant yield method. Accruals of OID should be based on the projected weighted average life of a Class A Note (as adjusted in the event of a Maturity Extension) rather than its stated maturity. Accruals of OID, if any, should be calculated by assuming that interest will be paid over the life of the Class A Note based on the value of LIBOR used in setting interest for the first interest accrual period, and then adjusting the income for each subsequent interest accrual period for any difference between the actual value of LIBOR used in setting interest for that subsequent interest accrual period and the assumed rate.

*Interest and Discount on the Class B Notes and Class C Notes.* Because payments of stated interest on the Class B Notes and Class C Notes are contingent on available funds and subject to deferral, the Class B Notes and Class C Notes will be treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as having OID. The total amount of such discount with respect to a Class B Note or Class C Note will equal the sum of all payments to be received under such Note less its issue price (the price at which a substantial amount of Notes of the same Class were sold to investors). A U.S. holder of Class B Notes and Class C Notes will be required to include OID in income as it accrues. The amount of OID accruing in any interest accrual period will generally equal the stated interest accruing in that period (whether or not currently payable) plus any additional amount representing the accrual under a constant yield method of any additional OID represented by the excess of the principal amount of the Class B Notes and Class C Notes over their issue price. Accruals of any such additional OID should be based on the weighted average life of the Class B Notes and Class C Notes (as adjusted in the event of a Maturity Extension) rather than their stated maturity. In the case of floating rate notes, accruals of OID should be calculated by assuming that interest will be paid over the life of such Notes based on the value of LIBOR used in setting interest for the first interest accrual period, and then adjusting the income for each subsequent interest accrual period for any difference between the actual value of LIBOR used in setting interest for that subsequent interest accrual period and the assumed rate.

*Sale and Retirement of Senior Notes.* In general, a U.S. holder of a Senior Note will have a basis in such Senior Note equal to the cost of the Senior Note to such holder, increased by any amount includible in income by such holder as OID and reduced by any payments thereon other than payments of qualified stated interest. Upon a sale or exchange of the Senior Note, including the retirement of a Senior Note, a U.S. holder will generally recognize gain or loss equal to the difference between the amount realized (less any accrued interest, which would be taxable as such) and the holder's tax basis in the Senior Note. An extension of the term of the Swap Agreement and the Senior Notes, as described under "*The Swap Agreement—Extension of the Swap Agreement*" and "*Description of the Securities—Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities and Extension of Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities—Extension of Maturity*," respectively, should not cause a deemed exchange of the Senior Notes. The existence or exercise of the buy-out right described under "*Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out*" may increase the likelihood that an amendment to the Swap Agreement or the Indenture could cause a deemed exchange of the Senior Notes for U.S. federal income tax purposes upon which capital gain or



loss would be realized. If a deemed exchange were treated as a recapitalization, holders generally would not recognize gain or loss, but holders who purchased Senior Notes at a discount could be required to accrue such discount as interest income on a current basis as OID.

Such gain or loss will be long-term capital gain or loss if the U.S. holder has held the Senior Note for more than one year at the time of disposition. In certain circumstances, U.S. holders that are individuals may be entitled to preferential treatment for net long-term capital gains. The ability of U.S. holders to offset capital losses against ordinary income is limited. A U.S. holder may also recognize gain upon receipt of a principal payment equal to the difference between the amount received and the portion of its basis that is considered to be allocable to such payment. Such gain may be ordinary income. A U.S. holder should consult its own tax advisor regarding the U.S. federal income tax consequences of an extension of the term of the Swap Agreement and Maturity of the Notes and any amendment to the Swap Agreement or Indenture.

### **Tax Treatment of Income Notes**

*Classification of Income Notes as Equity.* For purposes of Cayman Islands law, the Income Notes will be characterized as debt of the Issuer. A strong likelihood exists, however, that the Income Notes will be treated as equity of the Issuer for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In general, the characterization of an instrument for U.S. federal income tax purposes as debt or equity by its issuer as of the time of issuance is binding on a holder (but not the IRS), unless the holder takes an inconsistent position and discloses such position in its tax return. The Issuer and each holder, upon making an investment in the Income Notes, will be obligated to treat the Income Notes as equity of the Issuer for such purposes. Except where otherwise indicated, this summary also assumes such treatment. No assurance can be given, however, that the IRS will respect this position in light of the Income Notes' status as debt for purposes of Cayman Islands law.

In general, the timing and character of income on the Income Notes may differ substantially depending on whether the Income Notes are treated for federal income tax purposes as debt instruments or as equity of the Issuer. Investors should consider the tax consequences of an investment in the Income Notes under either possible characterization.

*Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company.* The Issuer will meet the income and asset tests so as to qualify as a passive foreign investment company ("PFIC"). In general, to avoid certain adverse tax rules described below that apply to deferred income from a PFIC, a U.S. holder of Income Notes may want to make an election to treat the Issuer as a "qualified electing fund" ("QEF") with respect to such holder. Generally, a QEF election should be made on or before the due date for filing such a U.S. holder's U.S. federal income tax return for the first taxable year in which it holds Income Notes. If a timely QEF election is made, an electing U.S. holder will be required to include in its ordinary income such holder's pro rata share of the Issuer's ordinary earnings and to include in its long-term capital gain income such holder's pro rata share of the Issuer's net capital gain, whether or not distributed, assuming that the Issuer is not a "controlled foreign corporation" or a "foreign personal holding company" as discussed below. In certain cases in which a QEF does not distribute all of its earnings in a taxable year, its U.S. shareholders may also be permitted to elect to defer payment of some or all of the taxes on the QEF's income but will then be subject to an interest charge on the deferred amount.

Prospective purchasers of Income Notes should be aware that under a number of circumstances the Issuer may have ordinary income or earnings prior to the receipt of cash. Under certain circumstances, net payments received under the Swap Agreement, which generally will represent ordinary earnings, may be used to pay principal of the Senior Notes, but such principal payments generally will not result in a corresponding decrease in ordinary earnings. Moreover, net payments receivable under the Swap Agreement but not yet due may be required to be included in ordinary earnings as periodic payments on a notional principal contract or as accruals of nonperiodic payments on a notional principal contract with respect to fixed amounts payable at a future date (such as payments on a Reference Obligation that is a PIK Obligation). The Issuer intends to report any such amounts as accruing in this manner. By purchasing the Income Notes a U.S. holder agrees to treat the Swap Agreement as a notional principal contract and to treat such amounts as accruing in this manner. In addition, Eligible Investments may be purchased by the Issuer with original issue discount, which also could give rise to ordinary earnings prior to the receipt of cash attributable to such earnings. Furthermore, due to the amounts that may be required to be retained in the Collateral Account and other restrictions on the Issuer's obligation to make distributions on the Income Notes,

the cash distributions to a U.S. holder could in some taxable years be less than the taxable income that it will be required to include as a result of the QEF election. In addition, in the event that there is an extension of the term of the Swap Agreement as described under “*The Swap Agreement—Extension of the Swap Agreement*,” it is likely for U.S. federal income tax purposes that this extension will cause a deemed exchange of the Swap Agreement upon which capital gain or loss is realized. The Issuer intends to treat an extension as such a deemed exchange and report any resulting gain or loss as such for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and by purchasing the Income Notes each U.S. holder agrees to such treatment. The existence or exercise of the buy-out right described under “*Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out*” may increase the likelihood that an amendment to the Swap Agreement could cause a deemed exchange of the Swap Agreement for U.S. federal income tax purposes. As a result of any such deemed exchange, U.S. holders of Income Notes may recognize gain with respect to the deemed exchange without a related receipt of cash. Thus, absent an election to defer the payment of taxes, U.S. holders of Income Notes that make a QEF election may owe tax on a significant amount of “phantom” income. Moreover, where the Issuer realizes a net loss for a taxable year, this loss will not be deductible by (or otherwise result in a tax benefit to) either the U.S. holder or the Issuer in any subsequent taxable year (whereas if no QEF election is made, losses will reduce future distributions and “excess distributions” as described in the second paragraph below). A U.S. holder should consult its own tax advisor regarding the U.S. federal income tax consequences of any amendment to the Swap Agreement.

The IRS and U.S. Treasury Department recently issued proposed regulations that require current accrual of income and expense with respect to contingent nonperiodic payments made under certain notional principal contracts. The regulations are proposed to apply only to contracts entered into after the regulations are issued in final form, and therefore will not apply to the Swap Agreement if they are finalized in the form proposed. The preamble to the regulations, however, states that taxpayers that do not already have a method of tax accounting for notional principal contracts providing for contingent nonperiodic payments generally must take such payments into account over the life of such a contract under a reasonable amortization method. Because the Swap Agreement provides for quarterly payments based on a specified index and notional principal amount, payments under the Swap Agreement should be treated as periodic rather than nonperiodic payments. Accordingly, the IRS position stated in the preamble to the proposed regulations should have no effect on the U.S. federal income tax treatment of the Swap Agreement.

The Issuer will provide, upon request, all information that a U.S. holder making a QEF election is required to obtain for U.S. federal income tax purposes (e.g., the U.S. holder’s pro rata share of ordinary income and net capital gain) and a “PFIC Annual Information Statement” as described in Treasury Regulation Section 1.1295-1 (or in any successor IRS release or Treasury regulation), including all representations and statements required by such statement, and will take any other steps it reasonably can to facilitate such election. The Issuer will also elect to calculate and report the amount and category of each type of long-term capital gain as provided in section 1(h) of the Code that was recognized by the Issuer with respect to each taxable year of the Issuer.

If a U.S. holder does not make a timely QEF election for the year in which it acquired its Income Notes and the PFIC rules are otherwise applicable, such holder will be subject to a special tax at ordinary income tax rates on so-called “excess distributions,” including both certain distributions from the Issuer and gain on the sale of Income Notes. The amount of income tax on excess distributions will be increased by an interest charge to compensate for tax deferral, calculated as if excess distributions were earned ratably over the period the taxpayer held its Income Notes. In many cases, the tax on excess distributions will be more onerous than the taxes that would apply if a timely QEF election were made. Classification as a PFIC may also have other adverse tax consequences, including in the case of individuals, the denial of a “step up” in the basis of the Income Notes at death.

Where a QEF election is not timely made by a U.S. holder for the year in which it acquired its Income Notes, but is made for a later year, the excess distribution rules can be avoided by making an election to recognize gain from a deemed sale of the Income Notes at the time when the QEF election becomes effective. A U.S. holder should consult its own tax advisor regarding the U.S. federal income tax consequences of investing in a PFIC and the desirability of making the QEF election.

**U.S. HOLDERS OF INCOME NOTES SHOULD CONSIDER CAREFULLY WHETHER TO MAKE A QEF ELECTION WITH RESPECT TO THE INCOME NOTES AND THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT MAKING SUCH AN ELECTION.**

*Investment in a Controlled Foreign Corporation.* Depending on the degree of ownership of the Income Notes by U.S. Shareholders (as defined below), the Issuer may be considered a controlled foreign corporation (“CFC”). In general, a foreign corporation will be a CFC if more than 50% of the shares of the corporation, measured by combined voting power or value, are held, directly or indirectly, by U.S. Shareholders. A “U.S. Shareholder” for this purpose is any U.S. person who owns 10% or more of the combined voting power of all classes of shares of a corporation. Ownership attribution rules are used in applying this test. It is possible that the IRS could assert that the Income Notes are voting securities and that U.S. holders owning 10% or more of the Income Notes are U.S. Shareholders. If this argument were successful and more than 50% of the Income Notes were held by such U.S. Shareholders, the Issuer would be treated as a CFC.

If the Issuer were a CFC, subject to certain exceptions, a U.S. Shareholder of the Issuer at the end of a taxable year of the Issuer would be required to recognize ordinary income in an amount equal to that person’s pro rata share of the “subpart F income” of the Issuer for the year. Among other items, and subject to certain exceptions, “subpart F income” includes interest, gains from the sale of securities and income from certain notional principal contracts including swaps (determined in the case of the Swap Agreement in the manner described above under “—*Tax Treatment of Income Notes—Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company*”). It is likely that, if the Issuer were a CFC, substantially all of its income would be subpart F income. If more than 70% of the Issuer’s income is subpart F income, then 100% of its income will be so treated.

If the Issuer were a CFC, a U.S. Shareholder of the Issuer would be taxable on the subpart F income of the Issuer under the CFC regime and not under the PFIC rules previously described. As a result, to the extent subpart F income of the Issuer includes net capital gains, such gains would be treated as ordinary income of the U.S. Shareholder, notwithstanding the fact that generally the character of such gains otherwise would be preserved under the PFIC rules if a QEF election were made. Also, the PFIC rule permitting the deferral of tax on undistributed earnings would not apply.

A U.S. holder that is a U.S. Shareholder of the Issuer subject to the CFC rules for only a portion of the time in which it holds Income Notes should consult its own tax advisors regarding the interaction of the PFIC and CFC rules.

*Investment in a Foreign Personal Holding Company.* If more than 50% of the Income Notes are owned directly or indirectly by five or fewer individuals who are U.S. citizens or residents, the Issuer will be considered a foreign personal holding company (“FPHC”). Ownership attribution rules are used in applying the 50% ownership test, including a rule that treats an individual as owning stock owned directly or indirectly by the individual’s partners and a rule that treats an individual with an option to acquire stock as owning the related stock. Thus, for example, if a partnership with one U.S. individual partner purchased more than 50% of the Income Notes, the individual would be treated as owning more than 50% of the stock of the Issuer and the Issuer would be a FPHC.

If the Issuer were treated as a FPHC, a U.S. holder would be treated as receiving a dividend at the end of the taxable year of the Issuer in an amount equal to such holder’s pro rata share of the Issuer’s undistributed “foreign personal holding company income” (“FPHCI”). Very generally, FPHCI includes all of an entity’s taxable income less a deduction for dividends paid. Amounts of FPHCI included in income increase the U.S. holder’s basis in the Income Notes and reduce the FPHC’s accumulated earnings and profits as of the end of the year.

In the event the Issuer is treated as both a CFC and a FPHC, the FPHCI of the Issuer is reduced by the amount of subpart F income deemed distributed under the CFC rules. In the event the Issuer is treated as both a FPHC and a PFIC, the FPHC rules apply first. As a result, to the extent FPHCI of the Issuer includes net capital gains, such gains will be treated as ordinary income to the U.S. holder under the FPHC rules, notwithstanding the fact that the character of such gains otherwise generally would be preserved (subject to the CFC rules discussed above) under the PFIC rules if a QEF election were made.

*Distributions on Income Notes.* The treatment of actual cash distributions on the Income Notes, in very general terms, will vary depending on whether a U.S. holder has made a timely QEF election as described above. See “—*Tax Treatment of Income Notes—Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company*.” If a timely QEF election has been made, dividends (which are distributions up to the amount of current and accumulated earnings and profits of the Issuer) allocable to amounts previously taxed pursuant to the QEF election will not be taxable to

U.S. holders. Similarly, if the Issuer is a CFC of which the U.S. holder is a U.S. Shareholder, dividends will be allocated first to amounts previously taxed pursuant to the CFC rules and to that extent will not be taxable to U.S. holders. Dividends in excess of such previously taxed amounts will be taxable to U.S. holders as ordinary income upon receipt, and will not be eligible for the dividends-received deduction (in the case of corporate U.S. holders) or the reduced rates of tax applicable to dividends from certain qualified foreign corporations (in the case of individual U.S. holders). Distributions in excess of any current and accumulated earnings and profits will be treated first as a nontaxable return of capital, to the extent of the holder's tax basis in the Income Notes, and then as capital gain. Because cash received by the Issuer from payments on the Swap Agreement and from Eligible Investments generally will be treated as giving rise to earnings and profits to the Issuer, distributions from the Issuer prior to the end of Portfolio Modification Period and for some period thereafter generally will be treated as made out of such earnings and profits rather than as a return of capital.

In the event that a U.S. holder does not make a timely QEF election, then except to the extent that distributions may be attributable to amounts previously taxed pursuant to the CFC or FPHC rules, some or all of any dividends distributed with respect to the Income Notes may be considered excess distributions, taxable as previously described. See “—*Tax Treatment of Income Notes—Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company.*”

*Sale, Redemption or other Disposition of the Income Notes.* In general, a U.S. holder will recognize gain or loss (which will be capital gain or loss, except as discussed below) upon the sale or exchange of Income Notes equal to the difference between the amount realized and such holder's adjusted tax basis in the Income Notes. A U.S. holder's tax basis in Income Notes will generally equal the amount it paid for the Income Notes, increased by amounts taxable to such holder by virtue of a QEF election, or under the CFC or FPHC rules, and decreased by actual distributions from the Issuer that are deemed to consist of such previously taxed amounts or represent a return of capital.

If a U.S. holder does not make a timely QEF election as described above and the PFIC rules are otherwise applicable, any gain realized on the sale or exchange of Income Notes will be treated as an excess distribution and effectively taxed as ordinary income with an interest charge under the special tax rules described above. See “—*Tax Treatment of Income Notes—Investment in a Passive Foreign Investment Company.*”

If the Issuer were treated as a CFC and a U.S. holder were treated as a U.S. Shareholder therein, then any gain realized by such holder upon the disposition of Income Notes, other than gain constituting an excess distribution under the PFIC rules, would be treated as ordinary income to the extent of the U.S. holder's share of the current and accumulated earnings and profits of the Issuer. In this respect, earnings and profits would not include any amounts previously taxed pursuant to a QEF election or pursuant to the CFC or FPHC rules.

The pledge of stock of a PFIC may in some circumstances be treated as a disposition of such stock.

### **Tax Treatment of Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders**

A tax-exempt U.S. holder of a Security will not be subject to tax on unrelated business taxable income (“UBTI”) with respect to income from the Security, except to the extent that the Security is debt-financed property (as defined in the Code) of that entity. A tax-exempt holder that owns more than fifty percent of the outstanding Income Notes and also owns Senior Notes should consider the possible application of the special UBTI rules for amounts received from controlled entities.

A tax-exempt entity may not make a QEF election if the tax-exempt entity would not otherwise be subject to tax on income from the Income Notes.

### **Information Reporting and Backup Withholding**

Information reporting to the IRS generally will be required with respect to payments on the Securities and payments of proceeds of the sale of such Securities to U.S. holders other than corporations and other exempt recipients. A “backup” withholding tax will apply to those payments that are subject to information reporting if the holder fails to provide certain identifying information (such as the holder's taxpayer identification number) to the

payor. Non-U.S. holders will be required to comply with applicable certification procedures to establish that they are not U.S. holders in order to avoid information reporting and backup withholding.

As a condition to the payment of principal of and interest on any Note without U.S. backup withholding, the Issuers will require the delivery of properly completed and signed U.S. federal income tax certifications (generally, an IRS Form W-9 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a U.S. holder or an IRS Form W-8BEN (or applicable successor form) in the case of a non-U.S. holder.

### **Reporting Requirements**

Treasury regulations require reporting for certain transfers of property (including cash) to a foreign corporation by U.S. persons. In general, U.S. holders who acquire Income Notes are required to file a Form 926 with the IRS and to supply certain information to the IRS. If a U.S. holder fails to comply with the reporting requirements, the U.S. holder may be subject to a penalty equal to 10% of the gross amount paid for the Income Notes, subject to a maximum penalty of U.S. \$100,000 (except in cases involving intentional disregard). Purchasers of Income Notes are urged to consult their tax advisors regarding these reporting requirements.

In addition, the Code and related Treasury regulations require that any U.S. holder that directly or indirectly owns a significant portion of the voting power or value of the Issuer's equity (generally 10 percent, but in some cases 50 percent) must comply with certain reporting requirements. While it is unclear how the voting power of the Income Notes would be measured for this purpose, a U.S. Holder that owns less than 10 percent (or 50 percent, as applicable) of the Income Notes should not be required to file this return. In general, such holders of the applicable percentage of the voting power or value of the Issuer's equity are required to file a Form 5471 with the IRS and to supply certain information with the IRS, including with respect to the activities and assets of the Issuer and other holders of the Income Notes. If a U.S. holder fails to comply with the reporting requirements, the U.S. holder may be subject to a penalty, depending on the circumstances, equal to (a) U.S. \$1,000 for each failure to comply or (b) U.S. \$10,000 for each failure to comply, subject to a maximum of U.S. \$60,000. Purchasers of Income Notes are urged to consult their tax advisors regarding these reporting requirements.

### **Tax Treatment of Non-U.S. Holders**

A non-U.S. holder of a Security will be exempt from any U.S. federal income or withholding taxes with respect to gain derived from the sale, exchange, or redemption of, or any distributions received in respect of, the Security, unless:

- (a) such gain or distributions are effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business of such holder,
- (b) with respect to distributions on the Class Q-2B Securities (i) the holder actually or constructively own 10 percent or more of the combined voting power of all classes of stock of CGMHI (the issuer of the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B) or is a controlled foreign corporation related to CGMHI through stock ownership or (ii) the beneficial owner fails to provide a statement signed under penalties of perjury that includes its name and address and certifies that it is a non-U.S. Holder in compliance with applicable requirements (or satisfies certain documentary evidence requirements for establishing that it is a non-U.S. Holder), or,
- (c) in the case of gain, such holder is a nonresident alien individual who holds the Security as a capital asset and who is present in the United States more than 182 days in the taxable year of the sale and certain other conditions are met.

A non-U.S. holder will not be considered to be engaged in a U.S. trade or business solely by reason of holding a Security. "Non-effectively connected" gain or distributions received by a non-U.S. holder will not be subject to U.S. information reporting requirements or U.S. backup withholding, although such holders will be required to furnish a certificate to the paying agent of the Issuer attesting to their status as non-U.S. holders. *See "—Information Reporting and Backup Withholding."*

## **Class Q Securities**

*Class Q-1 Securities.* Each Component of a Class Q-1 Security will be treated separately for U.S. federal income tax purposes. A holder of Class Q-1 Securities will be treated as if it directly owned the related Components. A Holder of a Class Q-1 Security should review the applicable portions of this summary to determine the tax consequences of holding the related Components. In calculating its basis in each of the Components, a Holder will be required to allocate the purchase price paid for its Class Q-1 Security among the related Components in proportion to their relative fair market values at the time of purchase. A similar principle would apply in determining the amount allocable to each Component upon a sale. The exchange of a Class Q-1 Security for the separate Senior Notes or Income Notes corresponding to each Component will not be a taxable event.

*Class Q-2A Securities.* The Class Q-2A Securities will be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The Class Q-2A Securities should be taxed in a manner similar to the Class B Notes and Class C Notes. See the discussion under “Tax Treatment of U.S. Holders of Senior Notes” applicable to the Class B Notes and Class C Notes for the tax consequences to U.S. holders of holding the Class Q-2A Securities. See the discussion under “Tax Treatment of Non-U.S. Holders” for the tax consequences to Non-U.S. holders of holding the Class Q-2A Securities.

*Class Q-2B Securities.* See the discussion under “Tax Treatment of Non-U.S. Holders” for the tax consequences to Non-U.S. holders of holding the Class Q-2B Securities.

## **Cayman Islands Tax Considerations**

Prospective investors should consult their professional advisors on the possible tax consequences of buying, holding or selling any Notes or Income Notes under the laws of their country of citizenship, residence or domicile.

### Cayman Islands Taxation

The following is a discussion on certain Cayman Islands income tax consequences of an investment in the Notes or the Income Notes. The discussion is a general summary of present law, which is subject to prospective and retroactive change. It is not intended as tax advice, does not consider any investor’s particular circumstances, and does not consider tax consequences other than those arising under Cayman Islands law.

#### *Under existing Cayman Islands Laws:*

1. Payments in respect of the Notes will not be subject to taxation in the Cayman Islands and no withholding will be required on such payments to any holder of a Note, nor will gains derived from the disposal of the Notes be subject to Cayman Islands income or corporation tax. The Cayman Islands currently have no income, corporation or capital gains tax and no estate duty, inheritance tax or gift tax;
2. No stamp duty is payable in respect of the issue or transfer of the Notes although duty may be payable if Notes are executed in or brought into the Cayman Islands; and
3. Certificates evidencing the Notes, in registered form, to which title is not transferable by delivery, should not attract Cayman Islands stamp duty. However, an instrument transferring title to a Note, if brought to or executed in the Cayman Islands, would be subject to Cayman Islands stamp duty.

The Issuer has been incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands as an exempted company and, as such, has applied for and expects to obtain an undertaking from the Governor in Cabinet of the Cayman Islands in the following form:

**“The Tax Concessions Law  
(1999 Revision)  
Undertaking as to Tax Concessions**

In accordance with the provision of Section 6 of The Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision), the Governor in Cabinet undertakes with Valhalla CLO, Ltd. “the Company:”

- 1 That no law which is hereafter enacted in the Islands imposing any tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations shall apply to the Company or its operations; and
- 2 In addition, that no tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations or which is in the nature of estate duty or inheritance tax shall be payable:
  - 2.1 On or in respect of the shares, debentures or other obligations of the Company; or
  - 2.2 by way of the withholding in whole or part, on any relevant payment as defined in Section 6(3) of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision).

These concessions shall be for a period of thirty years from the date hereof.”

The Cayman Islands does not have any income tax treaty with the U.S. or any other country. The Cayman Islands has entered into an information exchange agreement with the United States.

## LISTING AND GENERAL INFORMATION

Application will be made to the Irish Stock Exchange for the Securities to be admitted to the Daily Official List. No assurances can be given that any such listing will be obtained with respect to the Securities. The issuance and settlement of the Securities on the Closing Date are not conditioned on the listing of any Securities on the Irish Stock Exchange. As part of the harmonization of securities markets in Europe, the European Commission has adopted a directive known as the Prospectus Directive (which must be implemented by Member States by July 1, 2005) that will regulate offers of securities to the public and admissions to trading to E.U. regulated markets. The European Commission is scheduled to adopt a directive known as the Transparency Directive towards the end of 2004 (which is expected to be implemented by Member States in 2006) that will among other things, impose continuing financial reporting obligations on issuers that have certain types of securities admitted to trading on an E.U. regulated market. In addition, the Market Abuse Directive (which must be implemented by Member States by October 12, 2004) harmonizes the rules on insider trading and market manipulation in respect of securities admitted to trading on an E.U. regulated market and requires issuers of such securities to disclose any non-public price-sensitive information as soon as possible, subject to certain limited exemptions. The listing of Securities on the Irish Stock Exchange would subject the Issuer to regulation under these directives, although the requirements applicable to the Issuer are not yet fully clarified. The Indenture will not require the Issuer to maintain a listing for any Class of Securities on an E.U. stock exchange if compliance with these directives (or other requirements adopted by the European Commission or a relevant Member State) becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Swap Counterparty.

If and for so long as any Class of Securities is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, copies of the Articles of the Issuer, the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer and the resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Issuers authorizing, as applicable, the issuance of the Securities and the Indenture, will be available for inspection at the office of the Trustee. The Issuer is not required by Cayman Islands law, and the Issuer does not intend, to publish annual reports and accounts. The Co-Issuer is not required by Delaware law, and the Co-Issuer does not intend, to publish annual reports and accounts. The Indenture, however, requires the Issuer to provide the Trustee with written confirmation, on an annual basis, that to the best of its knowledge following review of the activities of the prior year, no Event of Default, Class Q-2 Event of Default, Swap Event of Default or other matter required to be brought to the Trustee's attention has occurred or, if one has, specifying the same.

Each of the Issuers represents that, as of the date of this Offering Circular, there has been no material adverse change in its financial position since the date of its creation. Neither of the Issuers is involved, or has been involved since incorporation, in any litigation or arbitration proceedings relating to claims on amounts which may have or have had a material effect on the Issuers in the context of the issue of the Securities, nor, so far as such Co-Issuer is aware, is any such litigation or arbitration involving it pending or threatened.

The issuance of the Securities will be authorized by the Board of Directors of the Issuer by resolutions passed on or about the Closing Date. The issuance of the Senior Notes was authorized by the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer by resolutions passed on or about the Closing Date. Since incorporation, neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has commenced trading, established any accounts or declared any dividends, except for the transactions described herein relating to the issuance of the Securities.

In connection with the listing of the Securities on the Daily Official List of the Irish Stock Exchange, this Offering Circular will be filed with the Registrar of Companies of Ireland pursuant to Regulation 13 of the European Communities (Stock Exchange) Regulations, 1984 of Ireland.



The Regulation S Global Notes sold in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S and represented by the Regulation S Global Notes have been accepted for clearance through Euroclear and Clearstream with the following identification numbers:

Regulation S Global Notes

<u>Class</u>	<u>CUSIP Number</u>	<u>Common Code</u>	<u>ISIN Number</u>
A-1	G93164 AA2	019948463	USG93164 AA23
A-2	G93164 AB0	019948544	USG93164 AB06
B	G93164 AC8	019948404	USG93164 AC88
C-1	G93164 AE4	019948587	USG93164 AE45
C-2	G93164 AF1	019948633	USG93164 AF10
Q-1	G93163 AD8	019949427	USG93163 AD88

The Rule 144A Notes represented by the Rule 144A Global Notes have been accepted for clearance through DTC with the following identification numbers:

Rule 144A Global Notes

<u>Class</u>	<u>CUSIP Number</u>
A-1	91914R AA2
A-2	91914R AB0
B	91914R AC8
C-1	91914R AE4
C-2	91914R AF1

Certificated Class Q Securities/Income Notes

	<u>CUSIP Number</u>
Q-1 Rule 144A	91914Q AG1
Q-1 Regulation S	G93163 AD8
Q-2A Rule 144A	91914Q AB2
Q-2A Regulation S	G93163 AB2
Q-2B Regulation S	G93163 AC0
Q-2B Rule 144A	Not offered in the U.S.
Income Note Rule 144A	91914Q AA4
Income Note Regulation S	G93163 AA4
Income Note Accredited Investor	91914Q AF3

**CERTAIN LEGAL MATTERS**

The validity of the Notes and certain other legal matters will be passed upon for the Issuer and Citigroup Global Markets Inc., as Initial Purchaser and as Placement Agent, by Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen & Hamilton. Certain legal matters relating to Cayman Islands law will be passed on for the Issuer by Walkers. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Reference Portfolio Manager by Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP.

## GLOSSARY OF CERTAIN DEFINED TERMS

Set forth below are definitions of certain defined terms used in this Offering Circular.

“Accredited Investors”: “Accredited investors” as defined in Rule 501(a) under the Securities Act.

“Accrual Date”: With respect to a Reference Obligation (i) in the case of an Obligation Value Increase Amount or Obligation Value Reduction Amount determined pursuant to clause (1) or (3) of “*Description of the Swap Agreement—Valuation of Reference Obligations*,” the date that is the standard settlement cycle for such Reference Obligation after the date on which such amount is determined, and (ii) otherwise, the date on which the applicable Obligation Value Increase Amount or Obligation Value Reduction Amount therefor is determined (provided that in no event will the Accrual Date for a Reference Obligation occur later than the Business Day prior to the Swap Termination Date).

“Accrued Increase/Reduction Amount”: For a Measurement Date, an amount (which may be negative) equal to (a) the sum of all Obligation Value Increase Amounts (other than as a result of Amortizations) for Reference Obligations for which the Accrual Date occurred on or prior to such date and on or following the preceding Determination Date minus (b) the sum of all Obligation Value Reduction Amounts (including as a result of Amortizations) for Reference Obligations for which the Accrual Date occurred on or prior to such date and on or following the preceding Determination Date.

“Accrued Swap Liabilities”: With respect to any date of determination, the sum of (i) all amounts payable to the Swap Counterparty under the Swap Agreement as of such date of determination and (ii) all amounts payable to the Swap Counterparty under the Swap Agreement on any prior date and unpaid as of such date of determination, in each case other than amounts that constitute Administrative Expenses.

“Act on Foreign Investment Funds”: As defined in “*Notices to Purchasers—Notice to Residents of Germany*.”

“Addition Date”: (i) With respect to an Initial Reference Obligation, the Closing Date and (ii) with respect to a Reference Obligation added after the Closing Date, the Business Day of its addition to the Reference Portfolio, which, in the case of a Reference Obligation other than a Reference Swap, will be the date the Reference Price thereof is determined.

“Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amount”: For any Payment Date, an amount (which may be negative) equal to the Reference Portfolio Proceeds for such Payment Date minus the following (subtracted in the following order):

- (1) the Retained Amount for such Payment Date;
- (2) the Base Amount, if any, for such Payment Date;
- (3) the Subordinate Amount, if any, for such Payment Date;
- (4) the Incentive Amount, if any, for such Payment Date;
- (5) the Quarterly Aggregate Reduction Amount, if any, for such Payment Date.

“Administrative Expenses”: Amounts due from or accrued for the account of the Issuers with respect to any Payment Date (and, to the extent not paid, from prior Payment Dates) to, in the following order of priority, (i) any Person in respect of any governmental fee, charge or tax (including all filing, registration and annual return fees payable to the Cayman Islands’ government and registered office fees); (ii) the Trustee for the Trustee Fee and Trustee Expenses; (iii) the Collateral Administrator for the Collateral Administrator Fee and Collateral Administrator Expenses; (iv) the Administrator as provided in the Administration Agreement; and (v) on a *pari passu* basis, (A) the independent accountants, agents and counsel of the Issuers for fees and expenses (including, without limitation, tax reports); (B) any other Person in respect of any other expenses permitted under the Indenture and the documents delivered pursuant to or in connection with the Indenture, the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Securities; (C) any other Person in respect of any other expenses of the Issuers including,

without limitation, fees, expenses or amounts for which the Swap Counterparty is entitled to indemnification from the Issuer under the Swap Agreement, (D) the Rating Agencies for any fees (including on-going monitoring fees and credit estimates) due and payable with respect to their respective rating of the Securities; (E) expenses and other amounts for which the Swap Counterparty is obligated to reimburse or pay the Reference Portfolio Manager under the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement; and (F) expenses for which the Swap Counterparty is entitled to reimbursement in connection with the transfer of its rights and obligations to a replacement swap counterparty or certain other actions upon a downgrade of it or the Swap Guarantor when required to do so under the Swap Agreement, in the case of this clause (F) in an amount not to exceed U.S. \$50,000 in any calendar year; *provided, however*, that Administrative Expenses shall not include any amounts due or accrued with respect to actions taken on or prior to the Closing Date, which amounts will be payable only from the Expense Reserve Account.

“Administrator”: Walkers SPV Limited.

“Advisers Act”: The U.S. Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended.

“Affiliate”: With respect to any specified Person, any other Person controlling or controlled by or under common control with such specified Person. For the purposes of this definition, “control,” when used with respect to any specified Person, means the power to direct the management and policies of such Person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise; and the terms “controlling” and “controlled” have meanings correlative to the foregoing. For purposes of this definition, (i) the management of an account by one Person for the benefit of any other Person shall not constitute “control” of such other Person and (ii) with respect to the Issuer, “Affiliate” does not include Walkers SPV Limited or any entities which Walkers SPV Limited controls or administers.

“Aggregate Principal Amount”: With respect to any date of determination, (i) when used with respect to any Class or Classes of Notes as a whole (or any specified Notes or Components of any such Class), the original principal amount of such Class or Classes (or of such specified Notes or Component, as applicable) reduced, in the case of the Senior Notes only, by all prior payments, if any, made with respect to the principal of such Class or Classes (or such Senior Notes or Class Q-1 Senior Note Component, as applicable), (ii) when used with respect to all of the Senior Notes, the sum of (a) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1 Notes, (b) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2 Notes, (c) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B Notes, (d) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-1 Notes and (e) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-2 Notes, (iii) when used with respect to all of the Notes, the sum of (a) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Senior Notes and (b) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Income Notes, (iv) when used with respect to the Class Q-2A Securities (or any specified Class Q-2A Securities), the original principal amount of the Class Q-2A Securities (or of such specified Class Q-2A Securities) reduced by all prior payments, if any, made with respect to the principal of the Class Q-2A Securities (or of such specified Class Q-2A Securities) and (v) when used with respect to the Class Q-2B Securities (or any specified Class Q-2B Securities), the original principal amount of the Class Q-2B Securities (or of such specified Class Q-2B Securities).

“Aggregate Reference Obligation Calculation Amount”: As of any date of determination, the aggregate of the Reference Obligation Calculation Amounts for each Reference Obligation in the Reference Portfolio as of such date.

“Aggregate Reference Value”: As of any date of determination, the aggregate of the Reference Values for each Reference Obligation in the Reference Portfolio as of such date.

“Aggregate Unfunded Amount”: For a Collection Period, (i) the Swap Notional Amount immediately prior to the related Payment Date minus (ii) the average of the Daily Aggregate Funded Amount on each day of such period.

“Amendment Buy-Out”: As defined in “*Summary—Amendment Buy-Out.*”

“Amendment Buy-Out Option”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out.*”

“Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser”: Citigroup Global Markets Inc., or an Affiliate thereof designated by the Swap Counterparty, or a Person designated by Citigroup Global Markets Inc. or such Affiliate.

“Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out.*”

“Amortization”: Any permanent prepayment, repayment, amortization, redemption, termination, cancellation or reduction of commitment or similar permanent reduction of principal or notional amount of the Reference Obligation Calculation Amount for any Reference Obligation. A reduction in the outstanding balance of a Revolving Loan as a result of a repayment will not be considered an Amortization to the extent that the facility can subsequently be redrawn in accordance with its terms. With respect to a Defaulted Reference Obligation, all amounts actually paid to holders thereof (and only such amounts) will constitute Amortizations until the related Reference Obligation Calculation Amount is reduced to zero, following which such amounts shall constitute Interest Return; *provided* that with respect to a Defaulted Reference Obligation that is a Revolving Loan, any cancellation or reduction of commitment as a result of becoming a Defaulted Reference Obligation will also constitute an Amortization.

“Assigned Moody’s Rating”: The monitored publicly available rating or the monitored estimated rating expressly assigned to a debt obligation (or facility) by Moody’s that addresses the full amount of the principal and interest promised.

“Articles”: The Issuer’s Memorandum of Association, as amended and Articles of Association, as amended and restated from time to time.

“Assignment Fee”: With respect to a Reference Obligation, any transfer or assignment fee imposed under the terms of the Reference Obligation or otherwise generally imposed on assignments or transfers thereof by any applicable administrative or similar agent, borrower or obligor with respect thereto.

“Bankruptcy”: A Reference Entity (or other relevant person) to the knowledge of the Reference Portfolio Manager (i) is dissolved (other than pursuant to a consolidation, amalgamation or merger); (ii) becomes insolvent or is unable to pay its debts or fails or admits in writing in a judicial, regulatory or administrative proceeding or filing of its inability generally to pay its debts as they become due; (iii) makes a general assignment, arrangement or composition with or for the benefit of its creditors; (iv) institutes or has instituted against it a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors’ rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation, and, in the case of any such proceeding or petition instituted or presented against it, such proceeding or petition (a) results in a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or the entry of an order for relief or the making of an order for its winding-up or liquidation or (b) is not dismissed, discharged, stayed or restrained in each case within 30 calendar days of the institution or presentation thereof; (v) has a resolution passed for its winding-up, official management or liquidation (other than pursuant to a consolidation, amalgamation or merger); (vi) seeks or becomes subject to the appointment of an administrator, provisional liquidator, conservator, receiver, trustee, custodian or other similar official for it or for all or substantially all its assets; (vii) has a secured party take possession of all or substantially all its assets or has a distress, execution, attachment, sequestration or other legal process levied, enforced or sued on or against all or substantially all its assets and such secured party maintains possession, or any such process is not dismissed, discharged, stayed or restrained, in each case within 30 calendar days thereafter or (viii) causes or is subject to any event with respect to it which, under the applicable laws of any jurisdiction, has an effect analogous to any of the events specified in clauses (i) to (vii) (inclusive).

“Base Amount”: For any Payment Date an amount equal to (i) 0.30% per annum on the Portfolio Calculation Amount as of the related Determination Date (calculated for the related Collection Period on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) plus (ii) the aggregate Deferred Base Amount, if any, from the prior Payment Date; *provided* that (except in the case of the Swap Termination Date) if such amount exceeds the amount of Reference Portfolio Proceeds for such Payment Date minus the sum of the Retained Amount and Fixed Amount for such date (the “Maximum Base Amount”), the Base Amount for such date will be the Maximum Base Amount and the excess will be deferred (a “Deferred Base Amount”) until the next Payment Date (but subject to this proviso); *provided, further*, that in the case of the Swap Termination Date (except in the case of an Optional Redemption), such amount will not be payable to the extent the Payment Date Proceeds and other applicable amounts for such date would be insufficient to permit the Issuer to pay all amounts payable on that Payment Date under the Indenture pursuant to clauses 1 and 2 of the Payment Date Priority of Payments and clauses 1 and 2 of the Principal Priority of Payments. Deferred Base Amounts will accrue notional interest until paid (together with such interest) at a rate of LIBOR plus 3.0% per annum for the relevant period.

“Benefit Plan Investor”: A “benefit plan investor” within the meaning of 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(2).

“Bond”: A debt obligation that is in the form of, or represented by, a bond, note (other than notes delivered pursuant to loans) or other debt security.

“Business Day”: Any day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or other day on which commercial banking institutions in New York, New York, Cayman Islands, Dublin, Ireland or the city in which the corporate trust office of the Trustee is located, are authorized or obligated by law or executive order to be closed.

“Calculation Agent”: The Swap Counterparty, as calculation agent under the Swap Agreement.

“Cede”: Cede & Co.

“Certificated Class Q Security”: Each of the Class Q Securities issued in the form of definitive, physical certificates in fully registered form.

“Certificated Class Q-1 Security”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination and Registration.*”

“Certificated Class Q-2 Security”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination and Registration.*”

“Certificated Class Q-2A Security”: Each of the Class Q-2A Securities issued in the form of definitive, physical certificates in fully registered form.

“Certificated Class Q-2B Security”: Each of the Class Q-2B Securities issued in the form of definitive, physical certificates in fully registered form.

“Certificated Income Note”: Each of the Income Notes issued in the form of definitive, physical certificates in fully registered form.

“Certificated Security”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination and Registration—Certificated Securities.*”

“CGMHI Notes”: The U.S. \$40,000,000 0% EMTNs Due 2034 issued by Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc. constituting the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B.

“Citigroup”: Citigroup Inc., a Delaware corporation.

“Class”: When referring to the Notes, Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes, Class B Notes, Class C-1 Notes, Class C-2 Notes and/or Income Notes, as appropriate. When referring to the Class Q Securities, the Class Q-1 Securities, the Class Q-2A Securities and/or the Class Q-2B Securities, as applicable. When referring to the Securities, any Class of Notes or Class Q Securities, as appropriate.

“Class A Interest Coverage Ratio”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—The Coverage Tests.*”

“Class A Interest Coverage Test”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—The Coverage Tests.*”

“Class A Notes”: The Class A-1 Notes and Class A-2 Notes, collectively.

“Class A OC Test”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—The Coverage Tests.*”

“Class A Overcollateralization Ratio”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—The Coverage Tests.*”

“Class A-1 Interest Amount”: With respect to a Payment Date, (a) the product of (i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1 Notes as of the beginning of the relevant Periodic Interest Accrual Period plus the amount of any unpaid Class A-1 Interest Amount after the prior Payment Date, (ii) the Class A-1 Interest Rate

for such period, (iii) the actual number of days in such period and (iv)  $1/360$  plus (b) the amount of any unpaid Class A-1 Interest Amount after the prior Payment Date.

“Class A-1 Interest Rate”: The annual interest rate accruing on the Class A-1 Notes equal to LIBOR plus 0.70%.

“Class A-1 Notes”: U.S. \$62,000,000 Class A-1 Floating Rate Senior Extendable Notes.

“Class A-2 Interest Amount”: With respect to a Payment Date, (a) the product of (i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2 Notes as of the beginning of the relevant Periodic Interest Accrual Period plus the amount of any unpaid Class A-2 Interest Amount after the prior Payment Date, (ii) the Class A-2 Interest Rate for such period, (iii) the actual number of days in such period and (iv)  $1/360$  plus (b) the amount of any unpaid Class A-2 Interest Amount after the prior Payment Date.

“Class A-2 Interest Rate”: The annual interest rate accruing on the Class A-2 Notes equal to LIBOR plus 0.80%.

“Class A-2 Notes”: U.S. \$56,000,000 Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Extendable Notes.

“Class B Interest Amount”: With respect to a Payment Date, the product of (i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B Notes as of the beginning of the relevant Periodic Interest Accrual Period plus the aggregate Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes after the preceding Payment Date, (ii) the Class B Interest Rate for such period, (iii) the actual number of days in such period and (iv)  $1/360$ .

“Class B Interest Coverage Ratio”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—The Coverage Tests.*”

“Class B Interest Coverage Test”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—The Coverage Tests.*”

“Class B Interest Rate”: The annual interest rate accruing on the Class B Notes equal to LIBOR plus 1.40%.

“Class B OC Test”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—The Coverage Tests.*”

“Class B Overcollateralization Ratio”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—The Coverage Tests.*”

“Class B Notes”: U.S. \$39,500,000 Class B Floating Rate Deferrable Senior Subordinate Extendable Notes.

“Class C Interest Coverage Ratio”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—The Coverage Tests.*”

“Class C Interest Coverage Test”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—The Coverage Tests.*”

“Class C Notes”: The Class C-1 Notes and the Class C-2 Notes, collectively.

“Class C OC Test”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—The Coverage Tests.*”

“Class C Overcollateralization Ratio”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—The Coverage Tests.*”

“Class C-1 Interest Amount”: With respect to a Payment Date, the product of (i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-1 Notes as of the beginning of the relevant Periodic Interest Accrual Period plus the aggregate Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C-1 Notes after the preceding Payment Date, (ii) the Class C-1 Interest Rate for such period, (iii) the actual number of days in such period and (iv)  $1/360$ .

“Class C-1 Interest Rate”: The annual interest rate accruing on the Class C-1 Notes equal to LIBOR plus 2.60%.

“Class C-1 Notes”: U.S. \$21,000,000 Class C-1 Floating Rate Deferrable Senior Subordinate Extendable Notes.

“Class C-2 Interest Amount”: With respect to a Payment Date, interest accrued for the relevant Periodic Interest Accrual Period on an amount equal to Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-2 Notes as of the beginning of the relevant Periodic Interest Accrual Period plus the aggregate Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C-2 Notes after the preceding Payment Date, at a rate equal to the Class C-2 Interest Rate for such period, calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

“Class C-2 Interest Rate”: The annual interest rate accruing on the Class C-2 Notes equal to 7.53%.

“Class C-2 Notes”: U.S. \$5,000,000 Class C-2 Fixed Rate Deferrable Senior Subordinate Extendable Notes.

“Class Q Securities”: The Class Q-1 Securities and Class Q-2 Securities, collectively.

“Class Q-1 Excess Distribution”: For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the excess, if any, of any amounts paid or distributed with respect to the Class Q-1 Securities over the amount of Class Q-1 Nominal Interest for the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period.

“Class Q-1 Income Note Component”: The U.S. \$5,000,000 Aggregate Principal Amount of Income Notes comprising the Income Note Component of the Class Q-1 Securities.

“Class Q-1 Nominal Interest”: For a Periodic Interest Accrual Period, interest accrued on the Class Q-1 Nominal Principal for such period at the Class Q-1 Nominal Rate calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

“Class Q-1 Nominal Principal”: For the first Periodic Interest Accrual Period, U.S. \$10,000,000, and for any Periodic Interest Accrual Period thereafter, the Class Q-1 Nominal Principal for the prior Periodic Interest Accrual Period minus the amount of the Class Q-1 Excess Distribution, if any, for the Payment Date occurring at the beginning of such current Periodic Interest Accrual Period, but in no event shall the Class Q-1 Nominal Principal be less than U.S. \$1,000.

“Class Q-1 Nominal Rate”: 2.00% per annum.

“Class Q-1 Rated Principal”: For the first Periodic Interest Accrual Period, U.S. \$10,000,000, and for any Periodic Interest Accrual Period thereafter, the Class Q-1 Rated Principal for the prior Periodic Interest Accrual Period minus any amount paid or distributed with respect to the Class Q-1 Securities for the Payment Date occurring at the beginning of such current Periodic Interest Accrual Period, but in no event shall the Class Q-1 Rated Principal be less than U.S. \$1.

“Class Q-1 Reg S Global Securities”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination and Registration—Regulation S Global Securities.*”

“Class Q-1 Securities”: The U.S. \$10,000,000 Class Q-1 Extendable Securities comprised of the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component and the Class Q-1 Income Note Component.

“Class Q-1 Senior Note Component”: The U.S. \$5,000,000 initial Aggregate Principal Amount of Class C-2 Notes comprising the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component of the Class Q-1 Securities.

“Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Security”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination and Registration—Regulation S Global Securities.*”

“Class Q-2 Administrative Expenses”: Any Administrative Expenses accrued while any Class Q-2 Securities are Outstanding but after the redemption in full of all Senior Notes, Class Q-1 Securities and Income Notes and liquidation and distribution of the Trust Estate.

“Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A”: U.S.\$25,000,000 Aggregate Principal Amount of Income Notes delivered to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account on the Closing Date.

“Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A Proceeds”: With respect to any Payment Date, the sum of (i) all amounts distributed with respect to the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A for such date and (ii) any amounts received by the Trustee with respect to the sale or redemption of the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A hereunder, in each case from and after the preceding Payment Date and on or prior to such date.

“Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B”: U.S. \$40,000,000 0% EMTNs Due 2034 issued by Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc. (“CGMHI Notes”) delivered to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account on the Closing Date.

“Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B Proceeds”: Any sales proceeds, conversion or exchange proceeds or maturity proceeds of the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B.

“Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B Offering Documents”: As defined in “*Notice to Purchasers—Important Information.*”

“Class Q-2 Collateral Assets”: Collectively, the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A and the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B.

“Class Q-2 Event of Default”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—The Class Q-2 Securities.*”

“Class Q-2 Gross Proceeds”: As defined in the definition of “Class Q-2 Payment Date Proceeds.”

“Class Q-2 Maturity Date”: April 28, 2034.

“Class Q-2 Maturity Date Priority of Payments”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—The Class Q-2 Securities.*”

“Class Q-2 Payment Date Priority of Payments”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—The Class Q-2 Securities.*”

“Class Q-2 Payment Date Proceeds”: With respect to any Payment Date, (i) the sum of (a) the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A Proceeds for such Payment Date and (b) interest and dividends received with respect to Eligible Investments on deposit in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account (collectively, “Class Q-2 Gross Proceeds”) minus (ii) the Class Q-2B Target Amount for such Payment Date.

“Class Q-2 Priority of Payments”: Collectively, the Class Q-2 Payment Date Priority of Payments, the Class Q-2 Maturity Date Priority of Payments and the requirement to pay the Class Q-2B Target Amount.

“Class Q-2 Requisite Securityholders”: The Holders of at least 66 2/3% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of (a) the Class Q-2A Securities so long as any Class Q-2A Securities are Outstanding, and (b) thereafter the Class Q-2B Securities.

“Class Q-2 Securities”: The Class Q-2A Securities and the Class Q-2B Securities, collectively.

“Class Q-2 Securities Collateral”: Collectively, (i) Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A, (ii) Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B, (iii) the portion of the Trust Estate that in accordance with the provisions in the Indenture is required to be applied to payment of the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A, at any time on and after such property is required to be applied to the payment of the Income Notes represented thereby, (iv) the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account, any subaccounts thereof and all financial assets credited to, and amounts on deposit or credit balances carried in, the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account from time to time, (v) all Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account and all income and other proceeds from the investment of funds therein; and (vi) all proceeds, accessions, profits, income, benefits, substitutions and replacements, whether voluntary or involuntary, of and to any of the property described in the preceding clauses.



“Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account”: As defined in *“Description of the Securities—The Class Q-2 Securities.”*

“Class Q-2A Coverage Ratio”: With respect to any date of determination, the quotient obtained by dividing (a) the market value of Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A as of such date by (b) sum of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class Q-2A Securities plus Class Q-2A Deferred Interest, if any, as of such date.

“Class Q-2A Coverage Test”: A test which will be deemed satisfied as of any date of determination on which any Class Q-2A Securities are Outstanding, if the Class Q-2A Coverage Ratio for such date equals or exceeds 2.25.

“Class Q-2A Deferred Interest”: As defined in *“Description of the Securities—The Class Q-2 Securities.”*

“Class Q-2A Interest Amount”: With respect to a Payment Date, the product of (i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class Q-2A Securities as of the beginning of the relevant Periodic Interest Accrual Period, plus the aggregate Class Q-2 Deferred Interest after the preceding Payment Date, (ii) the Class Q-2A Interest Rate for such period, (iii) the actual number of days in such period and (iv) 1/360.

“Class Q-2A Interest Rate”: As defined in *“Summary—The Class Q-2 Securities.”*

“Class Q-2A Securities”: The U.S.\$7,200,000 Class Q-2A Securities Due 2034.

“Class Q-2B Certificated Security”: As defined in *“Description of the Securities—The Class Q-2 Securities.”*

“Class Q-2B Securities”: The U.S.\$40,000,000 Class Q-2B Securities Due 2034.

“Class Q-2B Target Amount”: With respect to any Payment Date, an amount equal to the lesser of (i) the Class Q-2 Gross Proceeds for such date and (ii) the product of (a) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class Q-2B Securities and (b) 1% per annum for the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period, calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

“Clearing Agency”: A “Clearing Agency” as defined in the Exchange Act.

“Clearstream”: Clearstream Banking, société anonyme, a corporation organized under the laws of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, or any successor thereto.

“Closing Date”: On or about August 18, 2004.

“Code”: The United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

“Co-Issuer”: Valhalla CLO, Inc., a newly formed Delaware corporation.

“Collateral Account”: The collateral account established under the Indenture.

“Collateral Administration Agreement”: As defined in *“Description of the Securities—The Indenture and the Collateral Administration Agreement—Trustee and Collateral Administrator.”*

“Collateral Administrator”: JPMorgan Chase Bank, as collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement and its permitted successors.

“Collateral Administrator Expenses”: As defined in *“Description of the Securities—The Indenture and the Collateral Administration Agreement—Trustee and Collateral Administrator.”*

“Collateral Administrator Fee”: As defined in *“Description of the Securities—The Indenture and the Collateral Administration Agreement—Trustee and Collateral Administrator.”*

“Collection Account”: The collection account established under the Indenture.

“Collection Period”: (i) For the first Payment Date, the period from and including the Closing Date to and including the Determination Date related to such Payment Date, and (ii) for each Payment Date thereafter, the period from but excluding the Determination Date related to the prior Payment Date to and including the Determination Date related to such Payment Date (*provided, however*, that the final Collection Period shall end on and include the Business Day immediately prior to the Maturity Date (or, if applicable, the Optional Redemption Date or Indenture Tax Redemption Date)).

“Commission”: The United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

“Commitment Amount”: As of any date of determination, with respect to a Revolving Loan, (i) the outstanding funded principal amount thereof (excluding accrued but unpaid interest) plus (ii) with respect to the related Unfunded Commitment, the amount available to be borrowed or drawn thereunder, assuming compliance with all applicable conditions to borrowing or drawing.

“Components”: The Class Q-1 Senior Note Component and the Class Q-1 Income Note Component.

“Concentration Limits”: Clauses 2 through 16 of the Reference Portfolio Criteria.

“Controlling Person”: A person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuers or that provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to such assets (or any “affiliate” of such a person (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation)).

“Coverage Tests”: The Interest Coverage Tests and the Overcollateralization Tests.

“Credit Definitions”: The 2003 ISDA Credit Derivatives Definitions, as supplemented from time to time.

“Credit Event”: The occurrence of one or more of the following events with respect to a Reference Entity or a Reference Obligation: (i) a Bankruptcy or (ii) a Failure to Pay; *provided* that in the case of a Reference Swap or Reference CLN, a Credit Event will be deemed to occur if (a) a credit event occurs under the terms thereof with respect to an Underlying Obligation or a Reference Entity, (b) a Bankruptcy occurs with respect to the counterparty thereto or issuer thereof or (c) a Failure to Pay occurs with respect to such Reference Swap or Reference CLN itself.

“Credit Improved Obligation”: A Reference Obligation that, in the reasonable business judgment of the Reference Portfolio Manager, has improved in credit quality; *provided, however*, that (i) if the rating of the Class A-1 Notes or the Class A-2 Notes has been reduced by one or more rating subcategories from that in effect on the Closing Date or withdrawn by Moody’s (unless it subsequently has been reinstated to the rating assigned on the Closing Date) or (ii) if the rating of any other Class of Senior Notes has been reduced by two or more rating subcategories from that in effect on the Closing Date or withdrawn by Moody’s (unless it subsequently has been reinstated or upgraded to at least one rating subcategory below the rating assigned on the Closing Date), then such Reference Obligation will be considered a Credit Improved Obligation only if (x) such Reference Obligation has been upgraded by Moody’s by one or more rating subcategories since it was added to the Reference Portfolio by the Reference Portfolio Manager or has been placed on and is remaining, as of the date of the proposed removal from the Reference Portfolio thereof, on a watchlist for possible upgrade by Moody’s since it was added to the Reference Portfolio by the Reference Portfolio Manager, (y) such Reference Obligation has experienced a reduction in credit spread of 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) compared to the credit spread at the time such Reference Obligation was added to the Reference Portfolio by the Reference Portfolio Manager, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Reference Portfolio Manager (subject to receipt of confirmation to the effect that such selection will not cause a qualification, downgrade or withdrawal of the rating of the Class A-1 Notes or the Class A-2 Notes by Moody’s) or (z) (1) in the case of a loan, the Market Value of such Reference Obligation has increased by at least 1.00% from the Market Value of such Reference Obligation as of its Addition Date, as determined by the Reference Portfolio Manager; *provided* that subclause (z)(1) will be deemed satisfied if the Market Value increases to 101%, and (2) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Reference Obligation has changed since its Addition Date by a percentage more positive than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch High Yield Index, Bloomberg ticker J0A0, plus 3.00%, over the same period.

“Credit Risk Obligation”: A Reference Obligation that, in the reasonable business judgment of the Reference Portfolio Manager, has a significant risk of declining in credit quality and, with a lapse of time, becoming a Defaulted Reference Obligation; *provided, however*, that (i) if the rating of the Class A-1 Notes or the Class A-2 Notes has been reduced by one or more rating subcategories from that in effect on the Closing Date or withdrawn by Moody’s (unless it subsequently has been reinstated to the rating assigned on the Closing Date) or (ii) if the rating of any other Class of Senior Notes has been reduced by two or more rating subcategories from that in effect on the Closing Date or withdrawn by Moody’s (unless it subsequently has been reinstated or upgraded to at least one rating subcategory below the rating assigned on the Closing Date), then such Reference Obligation will be considered a Credit Risk Obligation only if (x) such Reference Obligation has been downgraded by Moody’s by one or more rating subcategories since it was added to the Reference Portfolio by the Reference Portfolio Manager or has been placed on and is remaining, as of the date of the proposed removal from the Reference Portfolio thereof, on a watchlist for possible downgrade by Moody’s since it was added to the Reference Portfolio by the Reference Portfolio Manager, (y) such Reference Obligation has experienced an increase in credit spread of 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) compared to the credit spread at the time such Reference Obligation was added to the Reference Portfolio by the Reference Portfolio Manager, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Reference Portfolio Manager (subject to receipt of confirmation to the effect that such selection will not cause a qualification, downgrade or withdrawal of the rating of the Class A-1 Notes or the Class A-2 Notes by Moody’s) or (z) (1) in the case of a loan, the Market Value of such Reference Obligation has decreased by at least 2.50% from the Market Value of such Reference Obligation as of its Addition Date, as determined by the Reference Portfolio Manager and (2) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Reference Obligation has changed since its Addition Date by a percentage either more negative, or less positive, as the case may be, than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch High Yield Index, Bloomberg ticker J0A0, less 3.00%, over the same period.

“Current Pay Obligation”: A Reference Obligation (other than a Reference Swap) with respect to which the Reference Portfolio Manager certifies in writing that (i) a Bankruptcy has occurred, (ii) no default as to the payment of principal or interest is then continuing, (iii) no interest has been deferred or capitalized under the terms thereof, (iv) if the Moody’s rating (including an estimated or private rating, and subject to adjustment as provided in “Moody’s Rating” (or the definitions referenced therein) for obligations on “watchlist” for upgrade or downgrade) of such obligation is at least “Caa1”, the Market Value of the obligation as determined by the Reference Portfolio Manager is at least equal to 80% of the principal balance thereof, (v) if the Moody’s rating (including an estimated or private rating, and subject to adjustment as provided in “Moody’s Rating” for obligations on “watchlist” for upgrade or downgrade) of such obligation is at least “Caa2”, the Market Value of the obligation as determined by the Reference Portfolio Manager is at least equal to 85% of the principal balance thereof (and, for the avoidance of doubt, if such Moody’s rating is less than “Caa2”, the obligation may not be treated as a Current Pay Obligation), (vi) the Market Value of the obligation as determined by the Reference Portfolio Manager is at least equal to 80% of the principal balance thereof (or such lower percentage as S&P confirms in writing will not result in a qualification, downgrade or withdrawal of its then-current rating of any Class of Securities), (vii) a bankruptcy court has authorized the payment of interest due and payable on such obligation and (viii) the Reference Portfolio Manager believes, in its reasonable business judgment, that the obligor on such Reference Obligation will continue to make scheduled payments of interest and principal thereunder; *provided* that the aggregate Reference Obligation Calculation Amount of Reference Obligations certified by the Reference Portfolio Manager as Current Pay Obligations at any time may not exceed 5.0% of the Portfolio Calculation Amount and any obligation satisfying the requirements above but which the Reference Portfolio Manager has not certified in writing as a Current Pay Obligation will be a Defaulted Reference Obligation.

“Daily Aggregate Funded Amount”: For any date of determination, the aggregate Daily Funded Amount for all Reference Obligations as of that day.

“Daily Funded Amount”: For a Reference Obligation (other than a Reference Swap) on any date of determination, the greater of (i) zero and (ii) the Initial Funded Amount plus the aggregate par amount of all advances thereunder following its Funding Start Date and on or prior to such date of determination minus the aggregate par amount of all repayments thereunder following its Funding Start Date and on or prior to such date of determination minus on the first interest payment date thereunder following the Funding Start Date, the amount of any accrued interest included in the Initial Funded Amount. For a Reference Swap on any date of determination, the aggregate of all payments made by the protection seller (or total return receiver) thereunder on or prior to such date

of determination. The Daily Funded Amount for a Reference Obligation will be deemed to be zero for any day prior to its Funding Start Date or after the Accrual Date for its removal from the Reference Portfolio.

“Daily Rate”: For any date of determination, a rate equal to the Floating Rate for such day (determined pursuant to the 2000 ISDA Definitions using a Floating Rate Option of USD-LIBOR-BBA, a Reset Date of such date and a Designated Maturity of one month; *provided* that if such date is not a Business Day, the rate for such date shall be the rate determined using the next preceding Business Day) plus 0.35% per annum.

“Dealers”: Leading dealers in obligations substantially similar to the applicable Reference Obligation, as selected by the Reference Portfolio Manager from a list agreed to by the Swap Counterparty and the Reference Portfolio Manager (which list may be amended from time to time by agreement of the Reference Portfolio Manager and the Swap Counterparty (whose agreement shall not be unreasonably withheld) without the consent of the Issuer).

“Default”: Any event or condition the occurrence or existence of which would, with the giving of notice or lapse of time or both, become an Event of Default.

“Default Adjustment”: (a) On any date of determination with respect to any Defaulted Reference Obligation or any Deferring PIK Obligation that has been a Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation, as applicable, for no more than one month as of such date of determination: (1) the Reference Value of such Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation minus (2) the product of (x) the lesser of (i) the Moody’s Recovery Rate for such Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation (or such lower recovery rate that the Reference Portfolio Manager determines is appropriate during such month) and (ii) the S&P Recovery Rate for such Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation and (y) the Reference Obligation Calculation Amount of such Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation. On any date of determination with respect to any Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation that has been a Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation for longer than one month but less than three years as of such date of determination: (1) the Reference Value of such Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation minus (2) the lesser of (A) the Market Value of such Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation, as determined by the Reference Portfolio Manager and (B) the product of (x) the lesser of (i) the Moody’s Recovery Rate for such Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation and (ii) the S&P Recovery Rate for such Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation and (y) the Reference Obligation Calculation Amount of such Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation. On any date of determination with respect to any Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation that has been a Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation for three years or more as of such date of determination, the Reference Value thereof;

(b) To the extent a Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation is converted or exchanged into an Equity Security, for so long as such Equity Security remains part of the Reference Portfolio, the Default Adjustment will equal the applicable Reference Value; and

(c) In no event will the Default Adjustment be less than zero.

“Defaulted Reference Obligation”: As defined in “*Description of the Swap Agreement—Defaulted Reference Obligations.*”

“Deferred Base Amount”: As defined in the definition of “Base Amount.”

“Deferred Incentive Amount”: As defined in the definition of “Incentive Amount.”

“Deferred Interest”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—Payments—The Senior Notes.*”

“Deferred Subordinate Amount”: As defined in the definition of “Subordinate Amount.”

“Deferring PIK Obligation”: (i) Any Reference Obligation (other than a Structured Finance Obligation) that is a PIK Obligation in respect of which interest has been deferred or capitalized (and not subsequently paid) and (ii) any Reference Obligation that is a Structured Finance Obligation and a PIK Obligation (a) rated “Baa3” or

higher by Moody's, in respect of which interest has been deferred or capitalized for at least two or more full interest periods or one year, whichever is less (and not subsequently paid) or (b) rated lower than "Baa3" by Moody's, in respect of which interest has been deferred or capitalized for one or more full interest periods or six months, whichever is less (and not subsequently paid).

"Determination Date": With respect to a Payment Date, the eighth Business Day preceding such Payment Date; *provided* that the final Determination Date will be the last day of the final Collection Period.

"DIP Loan": A loan that is an obligation of a debtor in possession or a trustee (the "Debtor") organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (a) in respect of which no default as to the payment of interest is then continuing, and no interest has been deferred or capitalized under the terms thereof, and (b) the terms of which have been approved by an order of a U.S. Bankruptcy Court, U.S. District Court or other court of competent jurisdiction, which order provides that (i) such loan is secured by liens on the Debtor's otherwise unencumbered assets, (ii) such loan is secured by liens of equal or senior priority on property of the Debtor's estate that is otherwise subject to a lien, (iii) such loan is secured by junior liens on the Debtor's encumbered assets (based on a current valuation or appraisal report) or (iv) if such loan or any portion thereof is not secured, the repayment of such loan retains priority over all other administrative expenses; *provided* that such loan has a public rating or estimated rating from Moody's and S&P and has an S&P Recovery Rate assigned by S&P; and *provided, further*, that in the case of a DIP Loan described in clause (iv) above, each Rating Agency has confirmed in writing that such inclusion will not result in the qualification, downgrade or withdrawal of the rating of any Class of Securities then rated by such Rating Agency.

"Discount Obligation": Any obligation with a Reference Price of less than 85% of par, *provided*, that such an obligation will not constitute a Discount Obligation if (x) it is added to the Reference Portfolio in replacement of a removed Reference Obligation, (y) the Reference Price (expressed as percentage of par) of such obligation was not more than 5.0% lower (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) than the Final Price of the removed Reference Obligation and (z) such obligation has a higher S&P Rating than the removed Reference Obligation at the time of removal.

"Diversion Test": As defined in "*Description of the Securities—The Diversion Test*."

"Diversity Score": As of any date of determination, the Diversity Score for the Reference Obligations in the Reference Portfolio is the sum of the Diversity Scores for all Moody's Industry Classification Groups represented in the applicable Reference Obligations, calculated in the following manner.

- (i) For purposes of calculating the Diversity Score, Reference Entities that are Affiliates of one another will be considered a single Reference Entity.
- (ii) For the purposes of calculating the Diversity Score:
  - (a) The "Issuer Notional Amount" for each Reference Entity of a Reference Obligation represented in the Reference Portfolio is the sum of the Reference Obligation Calculation Amounts of all Reference Obligations in the Reference Portfolio relating to such Reference Entity.
  - (b) An "Average Notional Amount" is calculated by summing the Issuer Notional Amounts and dividing such amount by the number of Reference Entities in the Reference Portfolio.
  - (c) The "Equivalent Unit Score" for each Reference Entity of a Reference Obligation is the lesser of (1) one and (2) the Issuer Notional Amount for such Reference Entity divided by the Average Notional Amount.
  - (d) The "Aggregate Equivalent Unit Score" for each Moody's Industry Classification Group is the sum of the Equivalent Unit Scores for all Reference Entities in such group.
  - (e) The "Diversity Score" for each Moody's Industry Classification Group is the Diversity Score corresponding to the Aggregate Equivalent Unit Score for such Group, as set out in the Diversity Score Table, *provided* that if any such Aggregate Equivalent Unit Score falls between any two entries in the Diversity Score Table, then the Diversity Score will be the one corresponding to the lesser of the two entries.

“Diversity Score Table”:

Aggregate Equivalent Unit Score	Diversity Score	Aggregate Equivalent Unit Score	Diversity Score	Aggregate Equivalent Unit Score	Diversity Score	Aggregate Equivalent Unit Score	Diversity Score
0.0000	0.0000	5.0500	2.7000	10.1500	4.0200	15.2500	4.5300
0.0500	0.1000	5.1500	2.7333	10.2500	4.0300	15.3500	4.5400
0.1500	0.2000	5.2500	2.7667	10.3500	4.0400	15.4500	4.5500
0.2500	0.3000	5.3500	2.8000	10.4500	4.0500	15.5500	4.5600
0.3500	0.4000	5.4500	2.8333	10.5500	4.0600	15.6500	4.5700
0.4500	0.5000	5.5500	2.8667	10.6500	4.0700	15.7500	4.5800
0.5500	0.6000	5.6500	2.9000	10.7500	4.0800	15.8500	4.5900
0.6500	0.7000	5.7500	2.9333	10.8500	4.0900	15.9500	4.6000
0.7500	0.8000	5.8500	2.9667	10.9500	4.1000	16.0500	4.6100
0.8500	0.9000	5.9500	3.0000	11.0500	4.1100	16.1500	4.6200
0.9500	1.0000	6.0500	3.0250	11.1500	4.1200	16.2500	4.6300
1.0500	1.0500	6.1500	3.0500	11.2500	4.1300	16.3500	4.6400
1.1500	1.1000	6.2500	3.0750	11.3500	4.1400	16.4500	4.6500
1.2500	1.1500	6.3500	3.1000	11.4500	4.1500	16.5500	4.6600
1.3500	1.2000	6.4500	3.1250	11.5500	4.1600	16.6500	4.6700
1.4500	1.2500	6.5500	3.1500	11.6500	4.1700	16.7500	4.6800
1.5500	1.3000	6.6500	3.1750	11.7500	4.1800	16.8500	4.6900
1.6500	1.3500	6.7500	3.2000	11.8500	4.1900	16.9500	4.7000
1.7500	1.4000	6.8500	3.2250	11.9500	4.2000	17.0500	4.7100
1.8500	1.4500	6.9500	3.2500	12.0500	4.2100	17.1500	4.7200
1.9500	1.5000	7.0500	3.2750	12.1500	4.2200	17.2500	4.7300
2.0500	1.5500	7.1500	3.3000	12.2500	4.2300	17.3500	4.7400
2.1500	1.6000	7.2500	3.3250	12.3500	4.2400	17.4500	4.7500
2.2500	1.6500	7.3500	3.3500	12.4500	4.2500	17.5500	4.7600
2.3500	1.7000	7.4500	3.3750	12.5500	4.2600	17.6500	4.7700
2.4500	1.7500	7.5500	3.4000	12.6500	4.2700	17.7500	4.7800
2.5500	1.8000	7.6500	3.4250	12.7500	4.2800	17.8500	4.7900
2.6500	1.8500	7.7500	3.4500	12.8500	4.2900	17.9500	4.8000
2.7500	1.9000	7.8500	3.4750	12.9500	4.3000	18.0500	4.8100
2.8500	1.9500	7.9500	3.5000	13.0500	4.3100	18.1500	4.8200
2.9500	2.0000	8.0500	3.5250	13.1500	4.3200	18.2500	4.8300
3.0500	2.0333	8.1500	3.5500	13.2500	4.3300	18.3500	4.8400
3.1500	2.0667	8.2500	3.5750	13.3500	4.3400	18.4500	4.8500
3.2500	2.1000	8.3500	3.6000	13.4500	4.3500	18.5500	4.8600
3.3500	2.1333	8.4500	3.6250	13.5500	4.3600	18.6500	4.8700
3.4500	2.1667	8.5500	3.6500	13.6500	4.3700	18.7500	4.8800
3.5500	2.2000	8.6500	3.6750	13.7500	4.3800	18.8500	4.8900
3.6500	2.2333	8.7500	3.7000	13.8500	4.3900	18.9500	4.9000
3.7500	2.2667	8.8500	3.7250	13.9500	4.4000	19.0500	4.9100
3.8500	2.3000	8.9500	3.7500	14.0500	4.4100	19.1500	4.9200
3.9500	2.3333	9.0500	3.7750	14.1500	4.4200	19.2500	4.9300
4.0500	2.3667	9.1500	3.8000	14.2500	4.4300	19.3500	4.9400
4.1500	2.4000	9.2500	3.8250	14.3500	4.4400	19.4500	4.9500
4.2500	2.4333	9.3500	3.8500	14.4500	4.4500	19.5500	4.9600
4.3500	2.4667	9.4500	3.8750	14.5500	4.4600	19.6500	4.9700
4.4500	2.5000	9.5500	3.9000	14.6500	4.4700	19.7500	4.9800
4.5500	2.5333	9.6500	3.9250	14.7500	4.4800	19.8500	4.9900
4.6500	2.5667	9.7500	3.9500	14.8500	4.4900	19.9500	5.0000
4.7500	2.6000	9.8500	3.9750	14.9500	4.5000		
4.8500	2.6333	9.9500	4.0000	15.0500	4.5100		
4.9500	2.6667	10.0500	4.0100	15.1500	4.5200		

“Domicile”: With respect to each Reference Obligation, (i) the jurisdiction of incorporation, organization or creation of the related Reference Entity or (ii) in the case of a Reference Obligation that would otherwise be considered to be domiciled pursuant to clause (i) in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction, the jurisdiction in which, in the reasonable business judgment of the Reference Portfolio Manager, the related Reference Entity conducts substantially all of its business operations and in which the assets primarily responsible for generating its revenues are located.

“DTC”: The Depository Trust Company.

“Eligible Account”: Either (i) a domestic segregated account with an Eligible Institution or (ii) a domestic segregated trust account with the corporate trust department of a depository institution organized under the laws of the United States of America or any one of the states thereof or the District of Columbia (or any domestic branch of a foreign bank), having corporate trust powers and acting as trustee for funds deposited in such account, so long as any of the securities of such depository institution shall have a credit rating from a nationally recognized statistical rating organization in one of its generic rating categories which signifies investment grade (e.g., in the case of S&P, “BBB-” or higher).

“Eligible Country”: The United States, Canada and any country classified by Moody’s as a Moody’s Group I Country, Moody’s Group II Country or Moody’s Group III Country; *provided* that such country has not imposed currency exchange controls.

“Eligible Institution”: A depository institution organized under the laws of the United States of America or any one of the states thereof or the District of Columbia (or any domestic branch of a foreign bank), including the Trustee, (a) which has either (1) a long-term unsecured debt rating of “AA-”, “Aa3” or its equivalent from a nationally recognized statistical rating organization or (2) a certificate of deposit rating of at least “A-1”, “P-1” or its equivalent from a nationally recognized statistical rating organization or any other long-term, short-term or certificate of deposit rating acceptable to the Requisite Noteholders and the Swap Counterparty, (b) whose deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and (iii) whose combined capital and surplus is at least U.S. \$200,000,000.

“Eligible Investments”: Any U.S. Dollar-denominated investment (other than obligations of the Swap Counterparty or any of its Affiliates) that is one or more of the following (and may include investments for which the Swap Counterparty, the Trustee and/or their respective Affiliates provide services but may not include investments for which the Reference Portfolio Manager provides services):

- (i) cash;
- (ii) direct registered obligations of, and registered obligations the timely payment of principal and interest on which is fully and expressly guaranteed by, the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States the obligations of which are expressly backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, which in each case are not zero coupon securities;
- (iii) demand and time deposits in, trust accounts, certificates of deposit payable within 91 days of issuance of, bankers’ acceptances payable within 91 days of issuance issued by, or Federal funds sold by any depository institution or trust company incorporated under the laws of the United States or any state thereof and subject to supervision and examination by Federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or the debt obligations of such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company), at the time of such investment or contractual commitment providing for such investment and throughout the term of the investment, have a credit rating of not less than “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by Standard & Poor’s and in each case are not on watch for downgrade, or “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by Standard & Poor’s in the case of commercial paper and short-term debt obligations; *provided* that in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such investment a long-term credit rating of not less than “AA-” by Standard & Poor’s and “Aa3” by Moody’s and a short-term rating of “A-1+” by Standard & Poor’s and “P-1” by Moody’s, and if so rated, is not on watch for downgrade;

- (iv) commercial paper or other short-term obligations with a maturity of not more than 91 days from the date of issuance and having at the time of such investment a credit rating of at least “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by Standard & Poor’s; *provided* that in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such investment a long-term credit rating of not less than “Aa2” by Moody’s, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;
- (v) unleveraged repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clause (ii) above entered into with a U.S. federal or state depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (iii) above or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose long-term credit rating is not less than “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by Standard & Poor’s and in each case are not on watch for downgrade or whose short-term credit rating is “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by Standard & Poor’s, at the time of such investment and throughout the term of the investment; *provided* that, if such repurchase obligation has a maturity of longer than 91 days, the counterparty thereto must also have at the time of such investment and throughout the term of the investment a long-term credit rating of not less than “Aa2” by Moody’s and “AAA” by Standard & Poor’s, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;
- (vi) any money market fund or similar investment vehicle having at the time of investment therein and throughout the term of the investment a credit rating of “MR1+” by Moody’s and “AAA<sub>m</sub>” by Standard & Poor’s; including any fund for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee serves as an investment advisor, administrator, shareholder servicing agent, custodian or subcustodian, notwithstanding that (A) the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses from such funds for services rendered (*provided* that such charges, fees and expenses are on terms consistent with terms negotiated at arm’s length) and (B) the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses for services rendered, pursuant to the Indenture;
- (vii) a guaranteed reinvestment agreement from a bank (if treated as a deposit by such bank), insurance company or other corporation or entity organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (if treated as debt by such insurance company or other corporation or entity), providing for periodic payments thereunder during each Collection Period; *provided* that each such agreement provides that it is terminable by the purchaser, without premium or penalty, in the event that the rating assigned to such agreement by either Moody’s or Standard & Poor’s is at any time lower than the then current ratings assigned to any Class of Senior Notes; *provided, further*, that, at the time of investment therein and throughout the term of the investment, the issuer of such agreement has a senior unsecured long-term debt rating, issuer rating or counterparty rating of at least “Aaa” by Moody’s, a short-term debt rating of “P-1” by Moody’s (and not on watch for downgrade), a short-term debt rating of at least “A-1+” by Standard & Poor’s and a long-term debt rating of at least “AAA” by Standard & Poor’s (and not on watch for downgrade);
- (viii) the Investment Agreement (together with any guaranty in respect thereof); and
- (ix) such other investments for which Rating Agency Confirmation has been received.

*provided* that the Eligible Investments in the Collateral Account (except the Investment Agreement) shall be required to mature on or before the Business Day prior to the next Payment Date, and Eligible Investments in the Collection Account shall be required to mature on or before the Business Day prior to the next Payment Date; *provided further*, that each Eligible Investment must bear a stated rate of interest and any floating rate of interest must reset on or prior to the next Payment Date of the Notes; *provided, further* that each Eligible Investment provides, at the time of purchase, solely for payments that will not be subject to withholding tax unless the issuer or obligor (and the guarantor, if any) of the security or obligation is required to make “gross-up” payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax (or return the invested amount at par); *provided, further* that ownership of such Eligible Investments will not subject the Issuer or Co-Issuer to net income tax in any jurisdiction where it would not otherwise be subject to tax; *provided, further* that Eligible Investments may not include (a) any interest-only security, any security purchased at a price in excess of 100% of the par value thereof, any security the repayment of which is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined in the business judgment of the Swap Counterparty (or the Reference Portfolio Manager on its behalf), or any security that has a rating assigned by



S&P that contains an “r”, “t”, “p”, “pi” or “q” subscript, (b) any floating rate security the interest rate with respect to which is inversely or otherwise not proportionately related to an interest rate index or is calculated as other than the sum of an interest rate index plus a spread or (c) any security subject to a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion or other similar action.

“Equity Security”: Any security that by its terms does not provide for periodic payments of interest at a stated coupon rate and repayment of principal in one or more installments.

“ERISA”: The U.S. Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, and any successor statute thereto.

“ERISA Plans”: “Employee benefit plans” (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) subject to ERISA, including entities such as collective investment funds and separate accounts whose underlying assets include the assets of such plans.

“Euroclear”: Euroclear Bank S.A/N.V., as operator of the Euroclear System, or any successor thereto.

“Event of Default”: An event of default as defined in the Indenture and as described under “*Description of the Securities—The Indenture and the Collateral Administration Agreement—Events of Default.*”

“Exchange Act”: The U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

“Exchange Consideration”: As defined in “*Description of the Swap Agreement—Restructuring, Conversion or Exchange of Reference Obligations.*”

“Exchange Date”: The first Business Day following the 40<sup>th</sup> day after the later of the Closing Date and the commencement of the offering of the Notes.

“Excluded Property”: Collectively, U.S. \$1,000 the Issuer received in connection with the issuance of the Ordinary Shares of the Issuer and U.S. \$1,000 the Issuer received as a fee for issuing the Securities, and the income thereon and the bank account in which such monies are held.

“Expense Cap Amount”: With respect to any Payment Date, an amount not to exceed: (a) with respect to Administrative Expenses specified in clause (v)(F) of the definition of “Administrative Expenses” herein, U.S. \$50,000 per annum (pro rated for the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period), minus the amount of Administrative Expenses specified in clause (v)(F) paid during the Periodic Interest Accrual Period immediately preceding such Payment Date and (b) with respect to all other Administrative Expenses in the aggregate, 0.04% of the Swap Notional Amount plus \$150,000 per annum (pro rated for the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period), minus the amount of Administrative Expenses (other than those specified in clause (v)(F) thereof) paid during the Periodic Interest Accrual Period immediately preceding such Payment Date.

“Expense Reserve Account”: The expense reserve account established under the Indenture.

“Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification”: With respect to a Maturity Extension and each beneficial owner of Senior Notes (including in the form of the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component) other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such beneficial owner acceptable to the Trustee to the effect that it held Senior Notes (including in the form of the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component) other than Extension Sale Securities on the Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof and wire transfer instructions for the Extension Bonus Payment and any required documentation thereunder.

“Extension Bonus Payment”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities and Extension of Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities.*”

“Extension Conditions”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities and Extension of Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities.*”

“Extension Determination Date”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities and Extension of Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities.*”

“Extension Effective Date”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities and Extension of Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities.*”

“Extension Notice”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities and Extension of Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities.*”

“Extension Qualifying Purchaser”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities and Extension of Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities.*”

“Extension Purchase Price”: The purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with the Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Senior Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the holder on such date), plus, in the case of the Class C-2 Notes, the applicable Make-whole Premium, (2) in the case of the Income Notes, an amount that together with any amounts paid to the Holders with respect to those Income Notes from the Closing Date to and including the Extension Effective Date, results in an internal rate of return with respect to those Income Notes of 18% per annum and (3) in the case of the Class Q-1 Securities, an amount determined based on the respective Extension Purchase Prices for the relevant Class Q-1 Senior Note Component and the Class Q-1 Income Note Component thereof. If the Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which the Holders of Income Notes have received an internal rate of return equal to or in excess of 18% per annum (determined as in clause (2) above), the Extension Purchase Price for Extension Sale Securities that are Income Notes will be zero.

“Extension Sale Notice”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities and Extension of Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities.*”

“Extension Sale Notice Period”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities and Extension of Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities.*”

“Extension Sale Securities”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities and Extension of Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities.*”

“Failure to Pay”: The failure by a Reference Entity to make, when and where due or scheduled (or, in the case of a payment default by a Reference Entity due solely to an administrative error and not related to the credit quality of the Reference Entity, within three Business Days of the date due or scheduled) any payments in an aggregate amount of not less than the Payment Requirement under the Reference Obligation or applicable Underlying Obligation, in accordance with the terms of such Reference Obligation or applicable Underlying Obligation at the time of such failure, without regard to any applicable grace period.

“Federal Reserve Board”: The United States Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

“Final Class Q-2B Distribution Amount”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—The Class Q-2 Securities.*”

“Final Income Note Distribution Amount”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Priority of Payments.*”

“Final Price”: As defined in “*Description of the Swap Agreement—Valuation of Reference Obligations.*”

“Fixed Amount”: For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the sum of (i) the Funded Portion Fixed Amount for the related Collection Period and (ii) the product of (a) the Aggregate Unfunded Amount for such Collection Period, (b) 0.18%, (c) the actual number of calendar days in such Collection Period and (d) 1/360.

“Florida Act”: The Florida Securities Act.

“Funded Portion Fixed Amount”: (i) For a Collection Period (or portion thereof) occurring during the Ramp-up Period or following the end of the Portfolio Modification Period, an amount equal to the sum of, for each day in such period, the product of (a) the Daily Aggregate Funded Amount for such day, (b) the Daily Rate for such day and (c) 1/360; and (ii) for a Collection Period (or portion thereof) occurring during the Portfolio Modification Period, the sum of, for each day in such period (a) the product of (1) the lesser of U.S. \$450 million and the Daily Aggregate Funded Amount for such day, (2) the Quarterly Period Rate for such day and (3) 1/360, plus (b) the product of (1) the lesser of U.S. \$150 million and the excess, if any, of the Daily Aggregate Funded Amount for such day over U.S. \$450 million, (2) the Monthly Period Rate for such day and (3) 1/360, plus (c) the product of (1) the excess, if any, of the Daily Aggregate Funded Amount for such day over U.S. \$600 million, (2) the Daily Rate for such day and (3) 1/360.

“Funding Start Date”: (i) For a Reference Obligation included in the Reference Portfolio on the Closing Date, the Closing Date, and (ii) for any other Reference Obligation, the date that is the standard settlement cycle for such obligation after its Addition Date.

“Global Notes”: The Regulation S Global Notes, the Rule 144A Global Notes and the Temporary Regulation S Global Notes.

“Gross Excess Coupon”: As of any date of determination, an amount equal to the product of (a) the excess, if any, of the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for such date over the applicable minimum Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon specified in clause (22) of the Reference Portfolio Criteria and (b) the aggregate of the Reference Obligation Calculation Amounts of all Reference Obligations that bear interest at a fixed rate and any Reference Swaps with a periodic amount payable to the protection seller or total return receiver based on a fixed rate.

“Gross Excess Spread”: As of any date of determination, an amount equal to the product of (a) the excess, if any, of the Weighted Average LIBOR Spread for such date over the applicable minimum Weighted Average LIBOR Spread specified in clause (17) of the Reference Portfolio Criteria and (b) the aggregate of the Reference Obligation Calculation Amounts of all Reference Obligations that bear interest at a floating rate and any Reference Swaps with a periodic amount payable to the protection seller or total return receiver based on a floating rate.

“Holder”: With respect to any Note or Class Q Security, the Person in whose name such Note or Class Q Security is registered in the Securities Register. “Noteholder” and “Securityholder” has a corresponding meaning.

“Incentive Amount”: For any Payment Date an amount equal to (i) 0.125% per annum on the Portfolio Calculation Amount as of the related Determination Date (calculated for the related Collection Period on the basis of a 360 day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) plus (ii) the aggregate Deferred Incentive Amount, if any, from the prior Payment Date; *provided* that such amount will be deferred (a “Deferred Incentive Amount”) (or, in the case of the Swap Termination Date, will not be payable) on any Payment Date to the extent that (a) amounts paid to the Holders of the Income Notes on or prior to such date result in an internal rate of return of less than 15% per annum, (b) the Incentive Amount would exceed the amount of Reference Portfolio Proceeds for such Payment Date minus the sum of (1) the Base Amount for such date, (2) the Retained Amount for such date, (3) the Fixed Amount for such date and (4) the Subordinate Amount for such date or (c) the Payment Date Proceeds and other applicable amounts for such date would be insufficient to permit the Issuer to pay all amounts payable on that Payment Date pursuant to clauses 1 through 16 of the Payment Date Priority of Payments and clauses 1 through 18 of the Principal Priority of Payments.

“Income Note Principal Distribution Amount”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—Payments.*”

“Income Notes”: As defined in “*Summary—The Income Notes.*”

“Indemnifiable Tax”: The meaning assigned to such term in the ISDA Master Agreement.

“Indenture”: The indenture, dated as of the Closing Date, among the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and JPMorgan Chase Bank, as Trustee.

“Indenture Calculation Agent”: The Trustee (or any successor Indenture Calculation Agent).

“Indenture Tax Event”: Either (i) the adoption of, or a change in, any tax statute (including the Code), treaty, regulation (whether temporary or final), rule, ruling, practice, procedure or judicial decision or interpretation which results or will result in withholding tax payments in an amount in excess of 10% of the net income of the Issuer during the Collection Period as a result of the imposition of withholding tax on payments to the Issuer with respect to which the obligors are not required to make gross-up payments that cover the full amount of such withholding taxes on an after-tax basis or (ii) a final determination by the Internal Revenue Service or a court of competent jurisdiction or an opinion of nationally recognized tax counsel experienced in such matters acceptable to the Swap Counterparty and the Reference Portfolio Manager to the effect that the Issuer is or has become subject to taxation in an amount in excess of 10% of the net income of the Issuer during the Collection Period, whether as a result of being deemed to be engaged in the conduct of a trade or business within the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes or otherwise.

“Indenture Tax Redemption”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—Payments—Indenture Tax Event.*”

“Indenture Tax Redemption Date”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—Payments—Indenture Tax Event.*”

“Index CLN”: An unleveraged Reference CLN related to an index of Reference Entities or Reference Obligations; provided that an Index CLN may not be included as a Reference Obligation unless it has an S&P Rating and a Moody’s Rating, an S&P Recovery Rate and Moody’s Recovery Rate have been assigned to it and all Underlying Obligations are taken into account for purposes of determining compliance with the S&P CDO Monitor Test, the Concentration Limits and the minimum Diversity Score requirement of clause (17) of the Reference Portfolio Criteria.

“Initial Funded Amount”: For a Reference Obligation, the greater of (i) zero and (ii)(a) the Reference Price multiplied by the funded portion of the Reference Obligation Calculation Amount as of the Funding Start Date minus (b)(1) 100% minus the Reference Price multiplied by (2) the unfunded portion of the Reference Obligation Calculation Amount as of such date plus (c) in the case of a Bond or Reference CLN, any accrued interest in respect thereof to which a seller of the relevant Reference Obligation would be entitled on purchase thereof in accordance with market practice.

“Initial Purchaser”: With respect to the Senior Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and Class Q-2A Securities, Citigroup Global Markets Inc. The term “initial purchaser” (lower case) refers to the initial purchasers of the Notes or Class Q Securities from the Initial Purchaser or through the Placement Agent, as applicable.

“Initial Reference Obligations”: The Reference Obligations included in the Reference Portfolio under the Swap Agreement as of the Closing Date.

“Interest Amounts”: The Class A-1 Interest Amount, the Class A-2 Interest Amount, the Class B Interest Amount, the Class C-1 Interest Amount, the Class C-2 Interest Amount and the Class Q-2A Interest Amount, as the context may require.

“Interest Coverage Ratios”: The Class A Interest Coverage Ratio, the Class B Interest Coverage Ratio and the Class C Interest Coverage Ratio.

“Interest Coverage Tests”: The Class A Interest Coverage Test, the Class B Interest Coverage Test and the Class C Interest Coverage Test.

“Interest Rate”: The Class A-1 Interest Rate, the Class A-2 Interest Rate, the Class B Interest Rate, the Class C-1 Interest Rate and the Class C-2 Interest Rate, as the context requires.

“Interest Return”: For a Reference Obligation and a Collection Period, the sum (without duplication) of (a) all payments of interest in respect of such Reference Obligation receivable during such period (or, in the case of a Reference Swap, periodic fixed or floating amounts payable to the protection seller or total return receiver during such period) plus applicable Deemed Interest (as defined below) thereon and (b) all consent payments, amendment

and waiver fees, all late payment fees, all commitment fees (including commitment fees received on Unfunded Commitments, but excluding any commitment fees treated as a discount from par and taken into account as such in the Reference Price), all utilization fees, all facility fees and all other fees and commissions receivable (in each case other than in respect of principal or make-whole amounts and other than for services in connection with the origination, structuring, marketing or placement of the obligation or in connection with the restructuring, workout or enforcement of a Defaulted Reference Obligation) during such period plus applicable Deemed Interest thereon, in each case with respect to a portion of the Reference Obligation corresponding to the applicable Reference Obligation Calculation Amount (*provided* that in the case of a Defaulted Reference Obligation, the Interest Return will equal such amounts actually paid to holders of such portion of the Reference Obligation during such period plus applicable Deemed Interest thereon (with all amounts paid with respect to such Defaulted Reference Obligation deemed to be in respect of principal until the Reference Obligation Calculation Amount for such obligation is reduced to zero pursuant to the procedures with respect to an Amortization); *provided further* that, with respect to any Reference Obligation added to or removed from the Reference Portfolio during a Collection Period, the applicable Interest Return will be determined in accordance with market practice with respect to the treatment of accrued interest for transactions in such Reference Obligation under the applicable quotation methodology used in determining the Reference Price or the Final Price, as applicable, under the Swap Agreement; *provided, further*, that in the case of an addition of a Reference Obligation, any Assignment Fee in respect thereof shall be deducted from the applicable Interest Return for such obligation and in the case of the removal of a Reference Obligation, any Assignment Fee in respect thereof shall constitute Interest Return for that obligation). “Deemed Interest” shall mean, with respect to any amount and any period, deemed interest on such amount from and including the date such amount is receivable or payable to but excluding the end of such period, at the applicable overnight federal funds rate (or such other prevailing market rate agreed to from time to time by the Swap Counterparty and the Reference Portfolio Manager). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in the case of the Initial Reference Obligations, amounts described pursuant to clauses (a) and (b) above that accrued prior to the Closing Date will not constitute Interest Return.

“Investment Agreement”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—The Investment Agreement.*”

“Investment Agreement Counterparty”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—The Investment Agreement.*”

“Investment Agreement Guarantor”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—The Investment Agreement.*”

“Investment Company Act”: The U.S. Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

“IRS”: The Internal Revenue Service.

“ISDA Master Agreement”: The form of the 2002 ISDA Master Agreement published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc.

“Issuer”: Valhalla CLO, Ltd., a recently formed exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands.

“Issuers”: The Issuer and the Co-Issuer.

“LIBOR”: The London Interbank Offered Rate, as determined (unless the context otherwise requires) pursuant to “*Description of the Securities—Payments.*”

“LIBOR Determination Date”: The second London Business Day prior to the commencement of a Periodic Interest Accrual Period.

“London Business Day”: Any Business Day on which commercial banks are open for dealings in deposits in U.S. Dollars in the London interbank market.

“Make-whole Premium”: With respect to the Class C-2 Notes, the premium payable to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes in connection with (i) an Optional Redemption of such Notes, (ii) the purchase of such Notes that are Extension Sale Securities in connection with the Maturity Extension, if any, or (iii) the purchase of such Notes in connection with an Amendment Buy-Out, as applicable, in each case in an amount equal to the excess, if any, of (x) the present value (discounted to the Optional Redemption Date, Extension Effective Date or date of Amendment Buy-Out, as applicable, using the Reinvestment Yield as the discount rate on a semi-annual basis using a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months) of the remaining payments of interest and principal due on the applicable Class C-2 Notes, assuming that the entire outstanding principal amount of the Class C-2 Notes will be paid on the Payment Date occurring in November 2013 and that each intervening payment of interest on the Class C-2 Notes will be made on the related Payment Date in its entirety (and therefore there is no Deferred Interest on the Class C-2 Notes) over (y) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the applicable Class C-2 Notes on the Optional Redemption Date, the Extension Effective Date or date of Amendment Buy-Out, as applicable; provided that in no event shall any Make-whole Premium be less than zero.

“Market Value”: With respect to a Reference Obligation and any date of determination, the price thereof (expressed as a percentage) based on the relevant price quotation for such Reference Obligation quoted on the Pricing Source as of such date or, if no such quotation is available on such date, the unweighted average of two or more bid quotations for such Reference Obligation obtained on such date from dealers (which shall not be Affiliates of each other) in the relevant market selected by the Reference Portfolio Manager for an amount of such Reference Obligation as close as practicable to its Reference Obligation Calculation Amount (or, if the Swap Counterparty or one of its Affiliates is one of such dealers and only two bid quotations are obtained the lower of such quotations), or if two or more such quotations are not available on such date, the Reference Portfolio Manager shall attempt to obtain the price quotation for such Reference Obligation on another recognized pricing source or service for the relevant market selected by the Reference Portfolio Manager. If the Reference Portfolio Manager is unable to determine the Market Value with respect to a Reference Obligation pursuant to the preceding sentence, the Market Value of such Reference Obligation shall be deemed to be zero for that date of determination.

“Maturity Date”: August 1, 2016, or in the case of a Maturity Extension, August 1, 2020.

“Maturity Extension”: As defined in *“Description of the Securities—Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities and Extension of Maturity of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities.”*

“Maximum Base Amount”: As defined in the definition of “Base Amount.”

“Measurement Date”: Any of (i) the date of any addition or removal of a Reference Obligation under the Swap Agreement, (ii) each Determination Date, (iii) each Monthly Report Determination Date and (iv) with reasonable prior written notice to the Issuer, the Reference Portfolio Manager and the Trustee, any Business Day that a Rating Agency or the Swap Counterparty requests to be a “Measurement Date,” *provided* that, if any such date would otherwise fall on a day that is not a Business Day, the relevant Measurement Date will be the immediately following Business Day.

“Monthly Period Rate”: For any date of determination, a rate equal to the Floating Rate (determined pursuant to the 2000 ISDA Definitions using a Floating Rate Option of USD-LIBOR-BBA, a Reset Date of the most recent Monthly Reset Date and a Designated Maturity of one month) plus 0.35% per annum. “Monthly Reset Date” means, for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period, the first day of such Periodic Interest Accrual Period and the dates that are one calendar month and two calendar months thereafter (or if any such date is not a Business Day, the next preceding Business Day).

“Monthly Report Determination Date”: The 15th day of each calendar month (other than the month immediately preceding the month in which a Payment Date occurs).

“Moody’s”: Moody’s Investors Service, Inc. or any successor thereto.

“Moody’s Default Probability Rating”: With respect to any Reference Obligation or Underlying Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (i) with respect to a Moody’s Senior Secured Loan:
  - (a) if the Loan’s Obligor has a senior implied rating from Moody’s, such senior implied rating;
  - (b) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody’s Obligation Rating of such Loan; and
- (ii) with respect to a Moody’s Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond, the Moody’s Obligation Rating of such Reference Obligation;
- (iii) with respect to a Reference Swap or Reference CLN, the Moody’s Obligation Rating thereof;
- (iv) with respect to a Reference Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the rating that is one rating subcategory below the Moody’s Obligation Rating thereof; and
- (v) with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation, the assigned Moody’s rating thereof (or, if the obligation does not have an assigned Moody’s rating but has a rating by S&P, the rating that is the number of rating subcategories specified by Moody’s below such S&P rating).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody’s rating or ratings used to determine the Moody’s Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody’s, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

“Moody’s Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating”: With respect to any Reference Obligation or Underlying Obligation that is a Loan or Bond and the Obligor thereof, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (i) if the Obligor has a senior unsecured obligation with an Assigned Moody’s Rating, such Assigned Moody’s Rating;
- (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody’s “Issuer Rating” for the Obligor;
- (iii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the Obligor has a subordinated obligation with an Assigned Moody’s Rating, then
  - (a) if such Assigned Moody’s Rating is at least “B3” (and, if rated “B3,” not on watch for downgrade), the Moody’s Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one rating subcategory higher than such Assigned Moody’s Rating, or
  - (b) if such Assigned Moody’s Rating is less than “B3” (or rated “B3” and on watch for downgrade), the Moody’s Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be such Assigned Moody’s Rating;
- (iv) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the Obligor has a senior secured obligation with an Assigned Moody’s Rating, then:
  - (a) if such Assigned Moody’s Rating is at least “Caa3” (and, if rated “Caa3,” not on watch for downgrade), the Moody’s Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one subcategory below such Assigned Moody’s Rating, or
  - (b) if such Assigned Moody’s Rating is less than “Caa3” (or rated “Caa3” and on watch for downgrade), then the Moody’s Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be “C”;

(v) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but such Obligor has a senior implied rating from Moody's, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be one rating subcategory below such senior implied rating;

(vi) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the Obligor has a senior unsecured obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be:

(a) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher, or

(b) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower;

(vii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the Obligor has a subordinated obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(a) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher; or

(b) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower,

and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (iii) above;

(viii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the Obligor has a senior secured obligation with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(a) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher; or

(b) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower,

and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (iv) above;

(ix) if the preceding clauses do not apply and each of the following clauses (a) through (h) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caal":

(a) neither the Obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings,

(b) no debt securities or obligations of the Obligor are in default,

(c) neither the Obligor nor any of its Affiliates has defaulted on any debt during the preceding two years,

(d) the Obligor has been in existence for the preceding five years,

(e) the Obligor is current on any cumulative dividends,

(f) the fixed-charge ratio for the Obligor exceeds 125% for each of the preceding two fiscal years and for the most recent quarter,



(g) the Obligor had a net profit before tax in the past fiscal year and the most recent quarter, and

(h) the annual financial statements of such Obligor are unqualified and certified by a firm of Independent accountants of international reputation, and quarterly statements are unaudited but signed by a corporate officer;

(x) if the preceding clauses do not apply but each of the following clause (a) and (b) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa3":

(a) neither the Obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings; and

(b) no debt security or obligation of such Obligor has been in default during the past two years; and

(xi) if the preceding clauses do not apply and a debt security or obligation of the Obligor has been in default during the past two years, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Ca."

Notwithstanding the foregoing, no more than 10% of Aggregate Reference Obligation Calculation Amount may be given a Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating based on a rating given by S&P as provided in clauses (vi), (vii) and (viii) above.

"Moody's Group I Country": Any of the following countries: Australia, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group I Country.

"Moody's Group II Country": Any of the following countries: Germany, Ireland, Sweden, Switzerland and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group II Country.

"Moody's Group III Country": Any of the following countries: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, Spain and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group III Country.

"Moody's Industry Classification Group": Any of the Moody's industrial classification groups, any additional classification groups established by Moody's with respect to the Initial Reference Obligations, and any other classification groups that may be subsequently established by Moody's with respect to new Reference Obligations that are added to the Reference Portfolio and provided, in each case, by the Reference Portfolio Manager or Moody's to the Trustee and the Swap Counterparty.

"Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan": Any Loan that is not (i) a Moody's Senior Secured Loan nor (ii) a loan described in subclauses (a)-(c) of clause (iv) of the definition of Moody's Senior Secured Loan.

"Moody's Obligation Rating": With respect to any Reference Obligation or Underlying Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

(i) With respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:

(a) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(b) if the preceding clause does not apply, the rating that is one rating subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and

(ii) With respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond:

(a) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(b) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and

(iii) With respect to a Reference Swap, Reference CLN or a DIP Loan, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

"Moody's Rating": The Moody's Default Probability Rating; *provided*, that, with respect to the Reference Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or any successor to it ceases to provide rating services, references to rating categories of Moody's in the Swap Agreement will be deemed instead to be references to the equivalent categories of any other nationally recognized investment rating agency selected by the Swap Counterparty (with written notice to the Issuer), as of the most recent date on which such other rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which such alternative rating agency is used.

"Moody's Recovery Rate": With respect to a Reference Obligation that is a Loan or Bond (other than a Structured Finance Obligation), as of any date of determination, the recovery rate determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

(i) if the Loan or Bond has been specifically assigned a recovery rate by Moody's (for example, in connection with the assignment by Moody's of an estimated rating), such recovery rate;

(ii) if the preceding clause does not apply to the Bond or Loan and the Loan is a Moody's Senior Secured Loan or a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan, the rate determined pursuant to the table below based on the number of rating subcategories difference between the Bond's or Loan's Moody's Obligation Rating and its Moody's Default Probability Rating (for purposes of clarification, if the Moody's Obligation Rating is higher than the Moody's Default Probability Rating, the rating subcategories difference will be positive and if it is lower, negative):

<b>Number of Moody's Ratings Subcategories Difference Between the Moody's Obligation Rating and the Moody's Default Probability Rating</b>	<b>Moody's Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>Bonds</b>
+2 or more	60.0%	45.0%	40.0%
+1	50.0%	42.5%	35.0%
0	45.0%	40.0%	30.0%
-1	40.0%	30.0%	15.0%
-2	30.0%	15.0%	10.0%
-3 or less	20.0%	10.0%	2.0%

or

(iii) if no recovery rate has been specifically assigned with respect to a Loan pursuant to clauses (i) or (ii) above, and the Loan is a DIP Loan, 50%.

With respect to a Reference Obligation that is a Structured Finance Obligation as of any date of determination, the percentage set forth in the definition of "Moody's Structured Finance Recovery Rates" (based on the applicable Moody's Rating thereof). With respect to a Reference Swap or Reference CLN as of any date of determination, the percentage specified by Moody's on a case-by-case basis.

"Moody's Required Ratings": If the applicable counterparty has a short-term and a long-term rating from Moody's, a short-term rating from Moody's of at least "P-1" (and if "P-1", not on credit watch with negative implications), and a long-term rating from Moody's of at least "A1" (and if "A1", not on credit watch with negative implications), and, if the applicable counterparty has only a long-term rating from Moody's, a long-term rating from Moody's of at least "Aa3" (including "Aa3" on credit watch with negative implications).

"Moody's Senior Secured Loan": (i) A Loan that:

(a) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the Obligor of the Loan,

(b) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the Obligor's obligations under the Loan, and

(c) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the Obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Reference Portfolio Manager) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal seniority secured by a first lien or security interest in the same collateral), or

(ii) a Loan that:

(a) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the Obligor of the Loan, other than, with respect to a Loan described in clause (i) above, with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such loan,

(b) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the Obligor's obligations under the Loan, and

(c) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the Obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Reference Portfolio Manager) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by a first or second lien or security interest in the same collateral), and

(iii) the Loan is not:

(a) a DIP Loan,

(b) a Loan for which the security interest or lien (or the validity or effectiveness thereof) in substantially all of its collateral attaches, becomes effective, or otherwise "springs" into existence after the origination thereof, or

(c) a type of loan that Moody's has identified as having unusual terms and with respect to which its Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate has been or is to be determined on a case-by-case basis.

"Moody's Structured Finance Recovery Rates": The Moody's Recovery Rate for a Structured Finance Obligation will be the applicable rate set forth below based on the appropriate sector as categorized by Moody's:

"Diversified Securities" primarily include (1) Automobile Securities; (2) Car Rental Receivable Securities; (3) Credit Card Securities; (4) Student Loan Securities

"Residential Securities" primarily include (1) Home Equity Loan Securities; (2) Manufactured Housing Securities; (3) Residential A Mortgage Securities; (4) Residential B/C Mortgage Securities

"Undiversified Securities" primarily include (1) CMBS Conduit; (2) CMBS Credit Tenant Lease; (3) CMBS Large Loan; (4) Those ABS Sectors not included in Diversified Securities "Collateralized Debt Obligations" include (1) High-diversity CDOs (Diversity Score in excess of 20); (2) Low-Diversity CDOs (Diversity Score of 20 or less)

#### Diversified Securities

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure(1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	70%	60%	50%	40%
<=70%, >10%	75%	70%	60%	50%	40%	30%
<=10%	70%	65%	55%	45%	35%	25%

Residential Securities

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure(1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70%, >10%	75%	70%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10%, >5%	65%	55%	45%	40%	30%	20%
<=5%, >2%	55%	45%	40%	35%	25%	15%
<=2%	45%	35%	30%	25%	15%	10%

Undiversified Securities

	<u>Initial Rating of Structured Finance Obligation</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure(1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70%, >10%	75%	70%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10%, >5%	65%	55%	45%	35%	25%	15%
<=5%, >2%	55%	45%	35%	30%	20%	10%
<=2%	45%	35%	25%	20%	10%	5%

High Diversity Collateralized Debt Obligations

	<u>Initial Rating of Underlying Asset</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure(1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	85%	80%	65%	55%	45%	30%
<=70%, >10%	75%	70%	60%	50%	40%	25%
<=10%, >5%	65%	55%	50%	40%	30%	20%
<=5%, >2%	55%	45%	40%	35%	25%	10%
<=2%	45%	35%	30%	25%	10%	5%

Low Diversity Collateralized Debt Obligations

	<u>Initial Rating of Underlying Asset</u>					
<u>% of Underlying Capital Structure(1)</u>	<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Baa</u>	<u>Ba</u>	<u>B</u>
>70%	80%	75%	60%	50%	45%	30%
<=70%, >10%	70%	60%	55%	45%	35%	25%
<=10%, >5%	60%	50%	45%	35%	25%	15%
<=5%, >2%	50%	40%	35%	30%	20%	10%
<=2%	30%	25%	20%	15%	7%	4%

(1) Initial par amount of tranche to which Structured Finance Obligation relates divided by initial par amount of total securities issued by Structured Finance Obligation issuer.

“Moody’s Weighted Average Recovery Rate”: As of any date of determination, the number obtained by (a) multiplying the applicable Moody’s Recovery Rate as of such date of each Reference Obligation in the Reference Portfolio (excluding any Defaulted Reference Obligations) by its Reference Obligation Calculation Amount; (b) summing the amount obtained in clause (a) on such date and (c) dividing the sum obtained in clause (b) by the Aggregate Reference Obligation Calculation Amount of all Reference Obligations in the Reference Portfolio (excluding any Defaulted Reference Obligations).

“Net Class Q-2B Periodic Return Amount”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—The Class Q-2 Securities.*”

“Net Income Note Periodic Return Amount”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Payment Date Priority of Payments.*”

“Net Interest Coverage Proceeds”: With respect to any Measurement Date, (i) the amount of Payment Date Proceeds for the next following Payment Date plus (ii) the sum of the Subordinate Amount and the Incentive Amount, if any, for such Payment Date minus (iii) the amounts payable under clauses 1 and 2 of the Payment Date Priority of Payments for such Payment Date. For purposes of calculating Net Interest Coverage Proceeds on a Measurement Date other than a Determination Date, the amounts described above will be determined assuming that the composition of the Reference Portfolio and Eligible Investments in the Trust Estate will not change prior to the next Determination Date, that there will be no unscheduled Administrative Expenses after such Measurement Date and prior to the next Determination Date and that no interest will be payable on any Reference Obligation that is a Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation.

“Non-consenting Holder”: As defined in “*Summary—Amendment Buy-Out.*”

“Note Redemption Amount”: With respect to a Payment Date after the end of the Portfolio Modification Period, the Swap Reduction Amount under the Swap Agreement (plus any Quarterly Aggregate Increase Amount, but minus any Quarterly Aggregate Reduction Amount) for such date (but only to the extent the aggregate of such amounts for such Payment Date and prior Payment Dates exceeds U.S. \$648,000,000).

“Notes”: The Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C-1 Notes, the Class C-2 Notes and the Income Notes, collectively.

“Notice of Class Q-2 Default”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—The Class Q-2 Securities.*”

“Notice of Default”: A “Notice of Default” under the Indenture.

“Obligation Value Increase Amount”: As set forth in “*Description of the Swap Agreement—Valuation of Reference Obligations.*”

“Obligation Value Reduction Amount”: As set forth in “*Description of the Swap Agreement—Valuation of Reference Obligations.*”

“Obligor”: The issuer of a Bond or the obligor under a Loan, as the case may be.

“OC Base Amount”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—The Coverage Tests.*”

“OID”: Original Issue Discount.

“Optional Redemption”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—Payments.*”

“Optional Redemption Date”: The Payment Date on which an Optional Redemption occurs.

“Ordinary Shares”: 1,000 voting Ordinary Shares, par value U.S. \$1.00 per share, of the Issuer.

“Outstanding”: (i) With respect to the Notes, as of any date of determination, “Outstanding” refers to all Notes theretofore authenticated and delivered under the Indenture other than Notes cancelled, redeemed, exchanged or replaced in accordance with the terms of the Indenture and (ii) with respect to the Class Q Securities, as of any date of determination, “Outstanding” refers to any and all Class Q Securities theretofore issued and paid for under the Indenture other than the Class Q Securities cancelled, redeemed, exchanged or replaced in accordance with the terms of the Indenture.

“Outstanding Premium”: As of any Measurement Date, an amount equal to the aggregate of, for each Reference Obligation included in the Reference Portfolio as of such date for which the Reference Price exceeds 100%, the amount of such excess multiplied by the then Reference Obligation Calculation Amount for such Reference Obligation.

“Overcollateralization Ratios”: The Class A Overcollateralization Ratio, the Class B Overcollateralization Ratio and the Class C Overcollateralization Ratio, collectively.

“Overcollateralization Tests”: The Class A OC Test, the Class B OC Test and the Class C OC Test.

“Paying Agent”: The Trustee or any other Person appointed under the Indenture that meets the eligibility standards for the Trustee specified in the Indenture and is authorized by the Issuer and the Co-Issuer to make payments of amounts on the Notes on behalf of the Issuer.

“Paying Agent in Ireland”: As defined on page v under “*Available Information*.”

“Payment Date”: As defined in “*Summary—Payments on the Securities*.”

“Payment Date Priority of Payments”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Payment Date Priority of Payments*.”

“Payment Date Proceeds”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Payment Date Priority of Payments*.”

“Payment Requirement”: U.S. \$1, or, in each case its equivalent in the currency in which the relevant Reference Obligation is denominated as of the occurrence of the relevant event, *provided* that a different Payment Requirement may apply to any Reference Obligation if such Payment Requirement is approved in writing by each Rating Agency.

“PCCL”: The Cayman Islands’ Proceeds of Criminal Conduct Law (2001 Revision).

“Periodic Interest Accrual Period”: (i) With respect to the initial Payment Date, the period from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the initial Payment Date, and (ii) with respect to each Payment Date thereafter, the period from and including the preceding Payment Date to but excluding such Payment Date; *provided* that in the case of the Class C-2 Notes, the Periodic Interest Accrual Period will not be adjusted in the event a scheduled Payment Date would otherwise occur on a day that is not a Business Day.

“Person”: Any individual, corporation, partnership, limited liability partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust (including any beneficiary thereof), unincorporated organization or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

“PIK Obligation”: An obligation that permits deferral and/or capitalization of interest or other periodic distribution otherwise due. The Reference Obligation Calculation Amount of any PIK Obligation will be adjusted to reflect any such deferral or capitalization.

“Placement Agency Agreement”: As defined in “*Purchase and Transfer Restrictions—Reliance on Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act*.”

“Placement Agent”: With respect to the Income Notes and the Class Q-2B Securities, Citigroup Global Markets Inc.

“Plan Asset Regulation”: The regulation, 29 CFR Section 2510.3-101, promulgated by the U.S. Department of Labor.

“Plans”: ERISA Plans as well as those plans that are not subject to ERISA but which are subject to Section 4975 of the Code, such as individual retirement accounts, including entities whose underlying assets include the assets of such plans.

“Portfolio Addition Criteria”: As defined in “*Description of the Swap Agreement—Additions*.”

“Portfolio Calculation Amount”: As of any date of determination, the sum of (a) the Aggregate Reference Obligation Calculation Amount as of such date and (b) (1) the Swap Notional Amount as of such date minus (2) the Aggregate Reference Value as of such date.

“Portfolio Modification Period”: The period from and including the Ramp-up End Date to but excluding the Payment Date occurring in (1) August 2011, or (2) if extended at the option of the Swap Counterparty in accordance with the Swap Agreement, August 2015.

“Pricing Source”: Loan Pricing Corporation, LoanX, Inc. or a similar pricing service designated by the Reference Portfolio Manager with the consent of the Swap Counterparty (*provided* that notice of such designation has been provided to each Rating Agency and S&P has confirmed in writing that such designation will not result in the qualification, downgrade or withdrawal of the rating of any Class of Securities then rated by S&P).

“Principal Priority of Payments”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Priority of Payments.*”

“Principal Write-Down”: As defined in the definition of “Defaulted Reference Obligation.”

“Priority of Payments”: The Payment Date Priority of Payments and the Principal Priority of Payments.

“PTCE”: A Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption.

“QEF”: As defined in “*Certain Income Tax Considerations—Tax Treatment of Income Notes.*”

“Qualified Institutional Buyers”: “qualified institutional buyers” as defined in Rule 144A(a)(1) under the Securities Act.

“Qualified Purchasers”: “Qualified purchasers” as defined for purposes of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act. See “*Purchase and Transfer Restrictions*” for a general description of this definition.

“Quarterly Aggregate Increase Amount” and “Quarterly Aggregate Reduction Amount”: For a Payment Date, (i) the sum of all Obligation Value Increase Amounts (other than as a result of Amortizations) for Reference Obligations for which the related Accrual Date occurred during the related Collection Period minus (ii) the sum of all Obligation Value Reduction Amounts (including, without limitation, as a result of Amortizations) for Reference Obligations for which the related Accrual Date occurred during the related Collection Period. If such net amount is positive for a Payment Date, such amount will be the Quarterly Aggregate Increase Amount for such date and the Quarterly Aggregate Reduction Amount for such date will be zero, and if such net amount is negative, the Quarterly Aggregate Increase Amount for such date will be zero, and the absolute value of such net amount will be the Quarterly Aggregate Reduction Amount for such date.

“Quarterly Amortization Increase Amount”: For a Payment Date, the sum of all Obligation Value Increase Amounts as a result of Amortizations for Reference Obligations for which the related Accrual Date occurred during the related Collection Period.

“Quarterly Period Rate”: For any date of determination, a rate equal to the Floating Rate for the Periodic Interest Accrual Period in which such date occurs (determined pursuant to the 2000 ISDA Definitions using a Floating Rate Option of USD-LIBOR-BBA, a Reset Date of first day of such Periodic Interest Accrual Period and a Designated Maturity of three months) plus 0.35% per annum.

“Quotation”: As defined under “*Description of the Swap Agreement—Valuation of Reference Obligations.*”

“Ramp-up End Date”: The last day of the Ramp-up Period.

“Ramp-up Period”: The six-month period following the Closing Date.

“Ramp-up Requirements”: (i) each Reference Obligation added to the Reference Portfolio during the Ramp-up Period satisfies the Reference Obligation Eligibility Criteria as of its Addition Date; and (ii) following any addition of a Reference Obligation during the Ramp-up Period, the Reference Portfolio Criteria must be satisfied (or, if any criterion was not satisfied immediately prior to such addition, such criterion must be no further from compliance as a result of such addition).

“Rating”: With respect to a Reference Obligation, the S&P or Moody’s Rating thereof, as the case may be (and with the correlative meaning “Rated”).

“Rating Agency”: Either of Moody’s or Standard & Poor’s; “Rating Agencies” shall mean Moody’s and Standard & Poor’s, collectively.

“Rating Confirmation”: With respect to any specified action is the written confirmation from both Rating Agencies, or, if expressly stated, by a specified Rating Agency, that such Rating Agency will not qualify, downgrade or withdraw its then current ratings of any Class of Securities solely as a result of that action.

“Rating Factor”: For purposes of computing the Weighted Average Rating, the number assigned to the applicable Moody’s Rating of each Reference Entity, as follows:

<b>Moody’s Rating</b>	<b>Rating Factor</b>
Aaa	1
Aa1	10
Aa2	20
Aa3	40
A1	70
A2	120
A3	180
Baa1	260
Baa2	360
Baa3	610
Ba1	940
Ba2	1,350
Ba3	1,766
B1	2,220
B2	2,720
B3	3,490
Caa1	4,770
Caa2	6,500
Caa3	8,070
Ca or below	10,000

“Record Date”: With respect to a Payment Date or Maturity Date, the close of business on the fifteenth day prior to such date, or if such day is not a Business Day, the close of business on the next Business Day.

“Reference Banks”: With respect to the determination of LIBOR by the Indenture Calculation Agent, any four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Indenture Calculation Agent for such purpose.

“Reference CLN”: A security, the payments with respect to which are subject to reduction or adjustment upon the occurrence of one or more specified credit-related events or circumstances, with one or more Underlying Obligations, each of which is either a Term Loan, a Revolving Loan or a Bond. A Reference CLN may not be included as a Reference Obligation unless each Rating Agency has confirmed in writing that such inclusion will not result in a qualification, downgrade or withdrawal of its then-current rating of any Class of Securities.

“Reference Entity”: With respect to a Reference Obligation (other than a Reference Swap or Reference CLN) or an Underlying Obligation, the issuer thereof, borrower thereunder, or guarantor thereof (which in any case is a corporation, company, partnership or trust).



“Reference Obligation”: Each of the reference obligations that are included in the Reference Portfolio.

“Reference Obligation Calculation Amount”: For each Reference Obligation (except as otherwise provided herein), a U.S. dollar amount representing the portion of (i) in the case of a Revolving Loan, the Commitment Amount thereof, (ii) in the case of a funded Term Loan, Bond or Reference CLN, the principal amount thereof, or (iii) in the case of a Reference Swap, the notional amount thereof, in each case included in the Reference Portfolio.

“Reference Obligation Eligibility Criteria”: The criteria described in “*The Reference Portfolio—Eligible Reference Obligations.*”

“Reference Portfolio”: The portfolio of Reference Obligations as selected by the Reference Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Swap Counterparty from time to time.

“Reference Portfolio Criteria”: The criteria described in “*The Reference Portfolio—Reference Portfolio Criteria.*”

“Reference Portfolio Management Agreement”: The Reference Portfolio Management Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Reference Portfolio Manager and the Swap Counterparty.

“Reference Portfolio Manager”: Highland Capital Management, L.P., and its approved successors and assigns.

“Reference Portfolio Proceeds”: For a Payment Date, an amount equal to (i) the aggregate of, for each Reference Obligation, the Interest Return for such Reference Obligation during the related Collection Period plus (ii) the Quarterly Aggregate Increase Amount, if any, for such date plus (iii) the Quarterly Amortization Increase Amount, if any, for such date. In the event any amount paid to holders of a Reference Obligation and included in Reference Portfolio Proceeds for any date is rescinded or required to be returned to the payor in accordance with applicable law, the Calculation Agent shall make an appropriate reduction to Reference Portfolio Proceeds for a subsequent Payment Date.

“Reference Price”: As defined in “*Description of the Swap Agreement—Valuation of Reference Obligations.*”

“Reference Swap”: A credit default swap or total return swap with one or more Underlying Obligations, each of which is either a Term Loan, a Revolving Loan or a Bond and pursuant to which the Issuer will be in the economic position of protection seller or total return receiver. A Reference Swap may not be included as a Reference Obligation unless each Rating Agency has confirmed in writing that such inclusion will not result in a qualification, downgrade or withdrawal of its then-current rating of any Class of Securities.

“Reference Value”: With respect to a Reference Obligation other than a Reference Swap as of any date of determination, the applicable Reference Price multiplied by the Reference Obligation Calculation Amount for such Reference Obligation as of such date. With respect to a Reference Swap, as of any date of determination, the Reference Obligation Calculation Amount thereof as of such date.

“Regulation S”: Regulation S promulgated under the Securities Act.

“Regulation S Global Notes”: One or more permanent global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons attached.

“Reinvestment Yield”: With respect to the Class C-2 Notes, the rate equal to the sum of (a) 1.30% and (b) the applicable yield to maturity implied by (i) the yields reported, as of 10:00 a.m. (New York City time) on the tenth Business Day preceding the Optional Redemption Date, Extension Effective Date or date of Amendment Buy-Out, as applicable, on the display designated as “Govt PX1” on Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News (or such other display as may replace such display) for actively traded U.S. Treasury securities having a maturity as nearly as practicable equal to the Payment Date occurring in November 2013 or (ii) if such yields are not reported as of such time or the yields reported as of such time are not ascertainable, the Treasury Constant Maturity Series Yields reported, for the latest day for which such yields have been so reported as of the tenth Business Day preceding the Optional Redemption Date, Extension Effective Date or date of Amendment Buy-Out, as applicable, in Federal Reserve Statistical Release H.15 (519) (or any comparable successor publication) for actively traded U.S.

Treasury securities having a constant maturity as nearly as practicable equal to the Payment Date occurring in November 2013.

“Removal Date”: With respect to a Reference Obligation, the Business Day of its removal from the Reference Portfolio.

“Requisite Noteholders”: The holders of 66 2/3% or more of the Aggregate Principal Amount of (i) the Class A-1 Notes, so long as any Class A-1 Notes remain Outstanding, (ii) thereafter, the Class A-2 Notes, so long as any Class A-2 Notes remain Outstanding, (iii) thereafter, the Class B Notes, so long as any Class B Notes remain Outstanding, (iv) thereafter, the Class C-1 Notes and the Class C-2 Notes (voting as a single class), so long as any Class C Notes remain Outstanding and (v) thereafter, the Income Notes, so long as any Income Notes remain Outstanding.

“Retained Amount”: For a Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (i) 0.10%, (ii) the Retained Calculation Amount immediately prior to such Payment Date, (iii) the actual number of calendar days in the period from and including the immediately preceding Payment Date (or, in the case of the first Payment Date, the Closing Date) to but excluding such date and (iv) 1/360.

“Retained Calculation Amount”: Initially, U.S. \$648,000,000, which will be reduced on each Payment Date after the end of the Portfolio Modification Period (but not below zero) by an amount equal to the greater of (A) zero and (B) (i) any Swap Reduction Amount for such date, plus (ii) any Quarterly Aggregate Increase Amount for such date, minus (iii) any Quarterly Aggregate Reduction Amount for such date.

“Revolving Loan”: A loan that (i) provides the borrower with a line of credit against which one or more borrowings (or drawings under a letter of credit for the account of the borrower) may be made and that provides that such borrowed (or drawn) amounts may be repaid and reborrowed from time to time or (ii) is a delayed funding term loan (unless such loan is fully drawn).

“Rule 144A”: Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

“Rule 144A Global Notes”: The Senior Notes initially sold in the United States or to U.S. Persons (as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act) pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act which are represented by one or more permanent global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons.

“S&P CDO Monitor Test”: A test that will be satisfied as of any date of determination if the Loss Differential for each Class of Senior Notes of the Reference Portfolio after giving effect to any addition or removal of a Reference Obligation (the “Proposed Portfolio”) is positive or is greater than or equal to the Loss Differential for such Class of Senior Notes of the Reference Portfolio immediately prior to such addition or removal (the “Current Portfolio”). For purposes of the S&P CDO Monitor Test, the Class C-1 Notes and the Class C-2 Notes will be deemed a single Class of Notes.

For purposes of the S&P CDO Monitor Test:

“Break-Even Loss Rate” means, for any Class of Senior Notes as of any time, the maximum aggregate Reference Value of Reference Obligations with respect to which a Credit Event may occur (expressed as a percentage of the Aggregate Reference Value) which the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, can sustain, as determined by S&P through application of the S&P CDO Monitor, which, after giving effect to S&P’s assumptions on recoveries and timing and the Priority of Payments, will result in sufficient funds remaining for the payment of such Class of Senior Notes in full and the timely payment of interest on such Class of Senior Notes.

“Loss Differential” means, for any Class of Senior Notes as of any time, the percentage calculated by subtracting the Scenario Loss Rate for such class at such time from the Break-Even Loss Rate for such class at such time.

“Scenario Loss Rate” means, for any Class of Senior Notes as of any time, an estimate of the cumulative default rate percentage for the Current Portfolio or Proposed Portfolio, as applicable,

consistent with the S&P Rating of such Class of Senior Notes as of the Closing Date, determined by application of the S&P CDO Monitor at such time; *provided* that for purposes of this determination, if such Class of Senior Notes is on negative credit watch, the S&P Rating shall be deemed to be reduced by one subcategory; and *provided further* that if such Class of Senior Notes is on positive credit watch, such S&P Ratings shall be deemed to be increased by one subcategory.

“S&P CDO Monitor” means a dynamic, analytical computer program developed by S&P and run by the Issuer or the Collateral Administrator on its behalf which is used to estimate default risk of the Reference Obligations in the Reference Portfolio.

“S&P Recovery Rate”: With respect to a Reference Obligation that is a (i) Secured Loan other than a Subordinated Lien Loan or DIP Loan, 52%, (ii) Subordinated Lien Loan or any other loan other than a Secured Loan or DIP Loan, 31%, (iii) senior secured Bond (other than a Structured Finance Obligation), 44%, (iv) senior unsecured Bond (other than a Structured Finance Obligation), 30% (v) subordinated Bond (other than a Structured Finance Obligation), 18%, (vi) a Structured Finance Obligation, the percentage set forth in the definition of “S&P Structured Finance Recovery Rates” and (vii) a Reference Swap, Reference CLN, or DIP Loan, the percentage specified by S&P on a case-by-case basis (provided that with respect to an Index CLN, the S&P Recovery Rate shall be determined on the basis of the S&P Recovery Rates of the Underlying Obligations).

“S&P Required Ratings”: As defined under “*Description of the Swap Agreement—Early Termination of the Swap Agreement.*”

“S&P Structured Finance Recovery Rates”: The S&P Recovery Rate for a Structured Finance Obligation will be the applicable rate set forth below based on the appropriate asset class and liability rating as categorized by S&P:

Senior Asset Class

	<u>Liability rating</u>						
	<u>AAA</u>	<u>AA</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>BBB</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>CCC</u>
AAA	80.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
AA	70.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
A	60.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
BBB	50.0%	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%

Junior Asset Class

	<u>Liability rating</u>						
	<u>AAA</u>	<u>AA</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>BBB</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>CCC</u>
AAA	55.0%	65.0%	75.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
AA	40.0%	45.0%	55.0%	65.0%	80.0%	80.0%	80.0%
A	30.0%	35.0%	40.0%	45.0%	50.0%	60.0%	70.0%
BBB	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	25.0%	35.0%	40.0%	50.0%
B	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%	10.0%	10.0%	20.0%	25.0%
CCC	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.5%	5.0%	5.0%

“S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate”: As of any date of determination, the percentage obtained by (a) calculating the S&P Recovery Amount of each Reference Obligation (excluding any Defaulted Reference Obligations) in the Reference Portfolio; (b) summing the amounts obtained in clause (a) on such date and (c) dividing the sum obtained in clause (b) by the Aggregate Reference Obligation Calculation Amount of all Reference Obligations in the Reference Portfolio as of such date (excluding any Defaulted Reference Obligations). For purposes of determining the S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate, the “S&P Recovery Amount” for any Reference Obligation of a given category will be the product of (x) the applicable S&P Recovery Rate and (y) the Reference Obligation Calculation Amount of such Reference Obligation.

“Section 3(c)(7) Procedures”: As defined under “*Purchase and Transfer Restrictions—Reliance on Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act.*”

“Secured Loan”: A loan that (i) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

“Securities”: The Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities, and the Class Q-2 Securities, collectively.

“Securities Act”: The U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

“Securities and Exchange Law”: The Securities and Exchange Law of Japan.

“Securities Register”: The securities register maintained by the Trustee under the Indenture.

“Securities Selling Prospectus Act”: As defined in “*Notices to Purchasers—Notices to Residents of Germany.*”

“Senior Notes”: The Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C-1 Notes and the Class C-2 Notes, collectively.

“Share Trustee”: Walkers SPV Limited and its permitted successors.

“Standard & Poor’s” or “S&P”: Standard & Poor’s Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc., or any successor thereto.

“Standard & Poor’s Rating” or “S&P Rating”: With respect to a Reference Obligation or Underlying Obligation:

(i) if there is an issuer credit rating of the related Reference Entity or its guarantor by S&P, the most current issuer credit rating for such Reference Entity or its guarantor;

(ii) (a) if there is not an issuer credit rating of the Reference Entity or its guarantor by S&P, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Reference Entity or its guarantor, then the S&P Rating of the Reference Obligation or Underlying Obligation will be one subcategory below such rating; (b) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Reference Entity or its guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior unsecured obligation of the Reference Entity or its guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be such rating; and (c) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior obligation of the Reference Entity or its guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a subordinated obligation of the Reference Entity or its guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be two subcategories above such rating if such rating is “BBB-” or higher and will be one subcategory above such rating if such rating is “BB+” or lower; or

(iii) if there is neither an issuer credit rating of the Reference Entity or its guarantor by S&P nor a rating by S&P on an obligation of the Reference Entity or its guarantor, then the S&P Rating may be determined using any one of the methods below:

(A) if an obligation of the Reference Entity or its guarantor is publicly rated by Moody’s, then the S&P Rating will be determined in accordance with the methodologies for establishing the Moody’s Rating set forth above, except that the S&P Rating of such obligation will be (1) one subcategory below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody’s if such security is rated “Baa3” or higher by Moody’s and (2) two subcategories below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody’s if such security is rated “Ba1” or lower by Moody’s; *provided* that Reference Obligations constituting no more than 10% of the Aggregate Reference Obligation Calculation Amount may be given a S&P Rating based on a rating given by Moody’s as provided in this subclause (A) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Reference Obligation or Underlying Obligation, if applicable);

(B) if no other security or obligation of the Reference Entity or its guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's, then the Reference Portfolio Manager may apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating estimate, which will be its S&P Rating; or

(C) if such Reference Obligation or Underlying Obligation is not rated by Moody's or S&P, no other security or obligation of the Reference Entity or its guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's and if the Reference Portfolio Manager determines in its sole discretion based on information available to it after reasonable inquiry that such Reference Entity (x) is not subject to any bankruptcy or reorganization proceedings nor in default on any of its obligations (unless the subject of a good faith business dispute), (y) is a legally constituted corporate entity having the minimum legal, financial and operational infrastructure to carry on a definable business, deliver and sell a product or service and report its results in generally accepted accounting terms as verified by a reputable audit firm and (z) is not so vulnerable to adverse business, financial and economic conditions that default in its financial or other obligations is foreseeable in the near term if current operating trends continue, then the S&P Rating will be "CCC-"; *provided* that the Reference Portfolio Manager must apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating on such Reference Entity within 30 days after the addition of the relevant Reference Obligation or Underlying Obligation; *provided, further*, that Reference Obligations constituting no more than 5% of the Aggregate Reference Obligation Calculation Amount may be given an S&P Rating based on this subclause (C) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Reference Obligation or Underlying Obligation, if applicable);

*provided* that if (i) the relevant Reference Entity or guarantor or obligation is placed on any positive "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be increased by one rating subcategory or (ii) the relevant obligor or obligation is placed on any negative "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be decreased by one rating subcategory.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of a Reference Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the S&P Rating shall be (A) the rating assigned thereto by S&P if the rating is public, (B) the rating assigned by S&P if the rating is confidential, but only if all appropriate parties have provided written consent to its disclosure and use, (C) the rating assigned by S&P thereto through an estimated rating or (D) the rating assigned thereto by S&P in connection with the addition thereof to the Reference Portfolio upon the request of the Reference Portfolio Manager.

In the case of a Reference Obligation that is a PIK Obligation or Structured Finance Obligation, the S&P Rating may not be determined pursuant to clause (iii)(A) above.

The S&P Ratings for entities or obligations relevant hereunder other than Reference Entities and Reference Obligations shall be determined in a corresponding manner. With respect to an Index CLN, the S&P Rating shall be determined on the basis of the S&P Ratings of the Underlying Obligations.

"Structured Finance Obligation": A Bond that is issued by a special purpose vehicle and secured by all or a portion of the assets thereof, including, without limitation, a project finance security, an asset-backed security, a collateralized debt obligation security, an enhanced equipment trust certificate, a commercial or residential mortgage-backed security or a future flow security; *provided* that a Structured Finance Obligation with respect to which the Reference Portfolio Manager or one of its Affiliates act as collateral or portfolio manager or in a similar capacity may not be included in the Reference Portfolio.

"Subordinate Amount": For any Payment Date, an amount equal to (i) 0.20% per annum on the Portfolio Calculation Amount as of the related Determination Date (calculated for the related Collection Period on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) plus (ii) the aggregate Deferred Subordinate Amount, if any, from the prior Payment Date; *provided* that such amount will be deferred (a "Deferred Subordinate Amount") (or, in the case of the Swap Termination Date, will not be payable) on any Payment Date to the extent that if paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments, the Net Income Note Periodic Return Amount (expressed as percentage of

the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Income Notes) for such Payment Date if annualized would be less than 12.0% per annum. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Reference Portfolio Manager will be entitled to elect, on notice to the Swap Counterparty and the Issuer, that all or a portion of the Subordinate Amount for any Payment Date shall be deferred as a Deferred Subordinate Amount. Deferred Subordinate Amounts will accrue notional interest until paid at a rate of LIBOR plus 3.0% per annum for the relevant period.

“Subordinated Administrative Expenses”: Technology expenses of the Swap Counterparty and its Affiliates in connection with transactions contemplated by the Indenture and by the Swap Agreement not to exceed U.S. \$50,000 in any calendar year; *provided, however*, that Subordinated Administrative Expenses shall not include any amounts due or accrued with respect to actions taken on or prior to the Closing Date, which amounts shall be payable only from the Expense Reserve Account.

“Subordinated Lien Loan”: A Secured Loan secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

“Swap Additional Termination Event”: An “Additional Termination Event” or a “Tax Event Upon Merger” under the Swap Agreement as to which the Swap Counterparty is the affected party.

“Swap Agreement”: The portfolio swap agreement entered into by the Issuer with the Swap Counterparty, dated as of the Closing Date, which will be documented on an ISDA Master Agreement, as supplemented by the schedule thereto and related documents, and a confirmation for the portfolio swap transaction thereunder, including annexes thereto evidencing the Reference Portfolio, as amended or supplemented from time to time.

“Swap Counterparty”: Citigroup Financial Products Inc., or any successor thereto.

“Swap Event of Default”: An “Event of Default” under the Swap Agreement.

“Swap Guarantee”: As defined on the Cover hereof.

“Swap Guarantor”: Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc., or any successor thereto.

“Swap Notional Amount”: As defined in “*Description of the Swap Agreement—Swap Notional Amount.*”

“Swap Reduction Amount”: As is described in “*Description of the Swap Agreement—Swap Notional Amount.*”

“Swap Termination Date”: August 1, 2016, or, if extended at the option of the Swap Counterparty in accordance with the Swap Agreement, August 1, 2020; *provided* that in the case of an Optional Redemption or Indenture Tax Redemption, the Swap Termination Date will occur on the Optional Redemption Date or Indenture Tax Redemption Date, as the case may be.

“Swap Termination Payment”: The amount, if any, payable by the Issuer or the Swap Counterparty to the other party in respect of an Early Termination Date under the Swap Agreement (as defined therein).

“Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction”: One of the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the Netherlands Antilles or the tax advantaged jurisdiction of the Channel Islands, or such other jurisdiction that each Rating Agency has confirmed in writing will not result in a qualification, downgrade or withdrawal of its then-current rating of any Class of Securities.

“Temporary Regulation S Global Notes”: The Senior Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities initially sold to non-U.S. Persons (as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act) in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act, which will be initially represented by one or more temporary global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons attached.

“Term Loan”: A loan that is a funded term loan (including a fully funded delayed-funding term loan).

“Trust Accounts”: Collectively, the Collection Account, the Collateral Account and the Expense Reserve Account.

“Trust Estate”: All assets of the Issuer (except the Excluded Property and the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral).

“Trustee”: JPMorgan Chase Bank, as trustee under the Indenture, and any successor trustee.

“Trustee Expenses”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—The Indenture and the Collateral Administration Agreement—Trustee and Collateral Administrator.*”

“Trustee Fee”: As defined in “*Description of the Securities—The Indenture and the Collateral Administration Agreement—Trustee and Collateral Administrator.*”

“U.S. person”: The meaning assigned to such term in Regulation S under the Securities Act.

“UBTI”: As defined in “*Certain Income Tax Considerations—Tax Treatment of Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders.*”

“Underlying Obligation”: With respect to a Reference Swap or Reference CLN, an underlying obligation to which such Reference Swap or Reference CLN relates.

“Unfunded Commitment”: With respect to a Revolving Loan, the obligation of the lenders thereunder to extend credit to or for the account of the applicable borrower(s) thereunder.

“Unfunded Portion”: With respect to an Unfunded Commitment, the amount available to be borrowed or drawn thereunder, assuming compliance with all applicable conditions to borrowing or drawing.

“Valuation Date”: With respect to a Reference Obligation removed from the Reference Portfolio, the applicable Removal Date, and with respect to a Reference Obligation that is included in the Reference Portfolio as of the 45<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the Swap Termination Date, such day.

“Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon”: On any date of determination, with respect to any Reference Obligations that bear interest at a fixed rate (and any Reference Swaps with a periodic amount payable to the protection seller or total return receiver based on a fixed rate) other than Defaulted Reference Obligations and Equity Securities, the weighted average coupon (expressed as a percentage) thereof obtained by (i) multiplying the Reference Obligation Calculation Amount of each such Reference Obligation by the current interest rate of such Reference Obligation (or, in the case of a Reference Swap, the rate on which such periodic fixed amount is based), as of such date (which, for PIK Obligations for which interest has been deferred or capitalized, will be deemed to be zero), (ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i), (iii) dividing such sum by the aggregate Reference Obligation Calculation Amount for all such Reference Obligations and (iv) if the fraction calculated in clause (iii) is less than the minimum Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon specified in clause 22 of the Reference Portfolio Criteria, adding to such percentage, the fraction (expressed as percentage) obtained by dividing (a) the Gross Excess Spread, if any as of such date by (b) the aggregate Reference Obligation Calculation Amount for all such Reference Obligations.

“Weighted Average LIBOR Spread”: On any date of determination, with respect to any Reference Obligations that bear interest at a floating rate (and any Reference Swaps with a periodic amount payable to the protection seller or total return receiver based on a floating rate) other than Defaulted Reference Obligations and Equity Securities, the weighted average spread (expressed as a percentage) thereof obtained by (i) multiplying the Reference Obligation Calculation Amount of each such Reference Obligation by (x) with respect to each such Reference Obligation which bears interest at a rate based on LIBOR (or, in the case of a Reference Swap, for which such periodic floating amount is based on LIBOR), the spread to LIBOR for such Reference Obligation as of such date, (y) with respect to each such Reference Obligation which does not bear interest at a rate based on LIBOR (or, in the case of a Reference Swap, for which such periodic floating amount is not based on LIBOR) as of the relevant date, the current interest rate on such Reference Obligation (or, in the case of a Reference Swap, the current rate on which such periodic floating amount is based) minus the LIBOR rate in effect as of such date (or, if the documentation for such Reference Obligation specifies a designated spread to LIBOR and such spread is less than

such difference, such spread) or (z) in the case of PIK Obligations for which interest has been deferred or capitalized, zero, (ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i), (iii) dividing such sum by the aggregate Reference Obligation Calculation Amount for all such Reference Obligations and (iv) if the percentage calculated in clause (iii) is less than the minimum Weighted Average LIBOR Spread specified in clause (17) of the Reference Portfolio Criteria, adding to such percentage the fraction (expressed as a percentage) obtained by dividing (a) the Gross Excess Coupon, if any, as of such date by (b) the aggregate Reference Obligation Calculation Amount for all such Reference Obligations. With respect to each Reference Obligation that is a Revolving Loan, the applicable spread will be calculated as described in (i) or (ii) above for the funded portion of such Reference Obligation only.

“Weighted Average Life Test”: A test that will be deemed satisfied as of any date of determination if the remaining weighted average life of the Reference Obligations (other than Defaulted Reference Obligations) in the Reference Portfolio as of such date is less than or equal to the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such date and March 1, 2013, or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, March 1, 2017.

“Weighted Average Rating”: As of any date of determination, the number obtained by (i) multiplying the Reference Obligation Calculation Amount of each Reference Obligation (other than Defaulted Reference Obligations) by the applicable Rating Factor for the related Reference Entity; (ii) summing the product obtained in clause (i) for all such Reference Obligations and (iii) dividing the sum obtained in clause (ii) by the aggregate Reference Obligation Calculation Amount of all Reference Obligations (other than Defaulted Reference Obligations).

“Weighted Average Undrawn Spread”: As of any date of determination with respect to each Reference Obligation (other than a Defaulted Reference Obligation) with an Unfunded Commitment, the weighted average of the commitment fees (expressed as a percentage) on the applicable Unfunded Portions thereof payable by the borrower.



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U.S. \$62,000,000 Class A-1 Floating Rate Senior Extendable Notes

U.S. \$56,000,000 Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Extendable Notes

U.S. \$39,500,000 Class B Floating Rate Deferrable Senior Subordinate Extendable Notes

U.S. \$21,000,000 Class C-1 Floating Rate Deferrable Senior Subordinate Extendable Notes

U.S. \$5,000,000 Class C-2 Fixed Rate Deferrable Senior Subordinate Extendable Notes

U.S. \$82,000,000 Extendable Income Notes

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U.S. \$10,000,000 Class Q-1 Extendable Securities\*

U.S. \$7,200,000 Class Q-2A Securities\*

U.S. \$40,000,000 Class Q-2B Securities\*

\*The Class Q-1 Securities consist of the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component representing U.S. \$5,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Class C-2 Notes and the Class Q-1 Income Note Component representing U.S. \$5,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Income Notes. The Class Q-2 Securities are secured by the Class Q-2 Collateral Assets as described herein, including U.S. \$25,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Income Notes. The aggregate principal amount of the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Assets and the aggregate principal amount of Income Notes and Class C-2 Notes to which the Class Q-1 Income Note Component and the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component relate are included in (and are not in addition to) the aggregate principal amount of the relevant Class of Senior Notes or Income Notes.

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VALHALLA CLO, LTD.,

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VALHALLA CLO, INC.,

Co-Issuer

and

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK,

Trustee and Securities Intermediary

INDENTURE

Dated as of

August 18, 2004

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INDENTURE, dated as of August 18, 2004 (as amended, supplemented or modified from time to time, this “Indenture”), among VALHALLA CLO, LTD., an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the “Issuer”), VALHALLA CLO, INC., a Delaware corporation (the “Co-Issuer” and, together with the Issuer, the “Issuers”) and JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, a banking corporation organized under the laws of New York (the “Trustee”).

Each party agrees as follows for the benefit of the other parties and for the benefit of the Noteholders and the Swap Counterparty.

#### PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

The Issuers are duly authorized to execute and deliver this Indenture to provide for the issuance of the Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class Q-2 Securities, in each case as provided in this Indenture. All covenants and agreements made by the Issuers herein are for the benefit and security of the Noteholders, the Swap Counterparty, the Collateral Administrator and the Trustee (collectively, the “Secured Parties”). The Issuers are entering into this Indenture, and the Trustee is accepting the trusts created hereby, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged.

All things necessary to make this Indenture a valid agreement of the Issuers in accordance with its terms have been done.

#### GRANT OF SECURITY INTEREST

The Issuer hereby grants to the Trustee, for the benefit and security of the Secured Parties, a first priority security interest in all of its right, title and interest in, to and under, in each case, whether now owned or hereafter acquired or arising, all property (other than Excluded Property and the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral (except such described in clause (iii) of the definition thereof at any time prior to the time at which such property is required to be applied to the payment of the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A)) of any type or nature owned by it or in which the Issuer has an interest, including all accounts, chattel paper, deposit accounts, financial assets, general intangibles, instruments, investment property, letter-of-credit rights and other supporting obligations, and specifically including: (i) each of the Collateral Account, the Collection Account, the Expense Reserve Account, any subaccounts thereof and all financial assets credited to, and amounts on deposit or credit balances carried in, each of them from time to time; (ii) all rights of the Issuer under the Swap Agreement and the Swap Guarantee, including payments made by the Swap Counterparty or the Swap Guarantor thereunder; (iii) all rights of the Issuer under the Collateral Administration Agreement; (iv) all Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in any Trust Account and all income or other proceeds from the investment of funds therein; (v) all cash and Money delivered to the Trustee (directly or through the Securities Intermediary); and (vi) all proceeds, accessions, profits, income, benefits, substitutions and replacements, whether voluntary or involuntary, of and to any of the property of the Issuer described in the preceding clauses (collectively, the “Trust Estate”).

Such aforementioned grants are made, however, in trust, to secure, in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Priority of Payments, the Notes equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction, except as expressly otherwise provided in this Indenture, between any Note and any other Note by reason of difference in time of issuance or otherwise, and to secure, in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Priority of Payments, (i) the payment of all amounts payable by the Issuer under the Swap Agreement, (ii) the payment of all amounts due on the Notes in accordance with their terms and (iii) the payment of all amounts payable by the Issuers under this Indenture and compliance by the Issuers with the other provisions hereof, all as provided in this Indenture.

In addition, the Issuer hereby grants to the Trustee, solely for the benefit and security of the Holders of the Class Q-2 Securities, a first priority security interest in all of its right, title and interest in, to and under, in each case whether now owned or hereafter acquired or arising, the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral. Such grants are made, however, in trust, to secure, in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Class Q-2 Priority of Payments, the Class Q-2 Securities equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction, except as expressly otherwise provided in this Indenture, between any Class Q-2 Security and any other Class Q-2 Security by reason of difference in time of issuance or otherwise, and to secure, in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Class Q-2 Priority of Payments, the payment of all amounts due on the Class Q-2 Securities in accordance with their terms.

Except to the extent otherwise provided in this Indenture, this Indenture shall constitute a security agreement under the laws of the State of New York applicable to agreements made and to be performed therein. Upon the occurrence of any Event of Default with respect to the Notes or the occurrence of any Class Q-2 Event of Default with respect to the Class Q-2 Securities, and in addition to any other rights available under this Indenture or any other instruments included in the Trust Estate held for the benefit and security of the Secured Parties, or included in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral held for the benefit and security of the Holders of Class Q-2 Securities, or otherwise available at law or in equity, the Trustee, for the benefit of the Secured Parties or for the benefit of the Holders of Class Q-2 Securities, as applicable, shall have all rights and remedies of a secured party on default under the laws of the State of New York and other applicable law to enforce the assignments and security interests contained herein and, in addition, shall have the right, subject to compliance with any mandatory requirements of applicable law, to sell or apply any rights and other interests assigned or pledged hereby in accordance with the terms hereof at public or private sale.

It is expressly agreed that, anything herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding, the Issuer shall remain liable under any instruments included in the Trust Estate or the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral to perform all the obligations assumed by it thereunder, all in accordance with and pursuant to the terms and provisions thereof, and, except as otherwise expressly provided herein or agreed by the Trustee, the Trustee shall not have any obligations or liabilities under such instruments by reason of or arising out of this Indenture, nor shall the Trustee be required or obligated in any manner to perform or fulfill any obligation of the Issuer under or pursuant to such instruments or to make any payment, to make any inquiry as to the nature or sufficiency of any payment received by it, to present or file any claim or to take any action to collect or enforce the payment of any amounts which may have been assigned to it or to which it may be entitled at any time or times, except as provided herein.

The Trustee acknowledges the grants of the security interests provided above, accepts the trusts hereunder in accordance with the provisions hereof and agrees to perform the duties herein pursuant to and in accordance with the terms of this Indenture.

## ARTICLE I

### DEFINITIONS; INTERPRETATION AND ASSUMPTION

#### SECTION 1.1 Definitions.

Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein (including in the Preliminary Statement and granting clauses hereof) have the respective meanings set forth in the Schedule of Definitions attached hereto as Schedule A, unless otherwise noted. Unless otherwise defined herein, terms (whether or not capitalized) defined in the UCC are used herein (including in the granting clauses hereof) as therein defined. Capitalized terms used in Sections 8.7, 8.8 and 8.9 and in Schedule A that are not defined herein have the meanings specified in the Swap Agreement.

#### SECTION 1.2 Interpretation.

Unless otherwise indicated in this Indenture:

(a) any definition of or reference to any agreement, instrument or other document herein shall be construed as referring to such agreement, instrument or other document as from time to time amended, supplemented or otherwise modified (subject to any restrictions on such amendments, supplements or modifications set forth herein);

(b) all references to an “Article,” “Section,” “Schedule” or “Exhibit” are to an Article or Section hereof or to a Schedule or an Exhibit attached hereto;

(c) defined terms in the singular shall include the plural and vice versa, and the masculine, feminine or neuter gender shall include all genders;

(d) the words “hereof,” “herein” and “hereunder” and other words of similar import when used in this Indenture shall refer to this Indenture as a whole and not to any particular provision of this Indenture;

(e) the words “include,” “includes” and “including” shall be deemed to be followed by the phrase “without limitation;”

(f) all time references used herein shall refer to Eastern Standard Time or Eastern Daylight Savings Time, whichever is then in effect;

(g) the word “dollar” and the symbols “US\$” and “\$” shall mean the lawful currency from time to time of the United States of America; and

(h) for purposes of any calculation or determination hereunder, the result of which is expressed as a percentage, such result shall be rounded to the nearest .00001%, unless otherwise specified herein.

SECTION 1.3 Assumptions as to Eligible Investments and the Swap Agreement.

Except as otherwise expressly set forth herein, the provisions set forth in this Section 1.3 shall be applied in connection with all calculations required to be made pursuant to this Indenture with respect to distributions on any Eligible Investment, or any payments under the Swap Agreement or on any other assets included in the Trust Estate or the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral, and with respect to the income that may be earned on distributions on such Eligible Investments and on any other amounts that may be received for deposit in the Trust Accounts or the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account.

(a) All calculations with respect to distributions in respect of the Eligible Investments and payments with respect to the Securities shall be made by the Issuer or its agent, based upon the assumptions that (i) no Eligible Investment will default or be sold and the Swap Counterparty will make the payments required to be made by it under the Swap Agreement in accordance with its terms and (ii) no optional redemption of any Eligible Investment will occur except for those that have actually occurred or as to which irrevocable notice from the obligor of the Eligible Investment to the Issuer thereof shall have been given.

(b) For each Periodic Interest Accrual Period, the distributions on any Eligible Investment shall be the sum of (i) the total amount of payments and collections in respect of such Eligible Investment at the current interest rate and other terms applicable thereto, that, if paid as scheduled, will be available in the Trust Accounts at the end of such period for distribution in accordance with Section 8.6 (or will be available in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account at the end of such period for distribution in accordance with Section 2.17(d), as applicable), plus (ii) any such amounts received in prior such periods that were not disbursed on a previous Payment Date.

(c) With respect to any Eligible Investment as to which any interest or other payment thereon is subject to any withholding tax, each distribution thereon shall, for purposes of the Coverage Tests (for Eligible Investments in the Trust Accounts) or the Class Q-2A Coverage Test (for Eligible Investment in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account), be deemed to be payable net of such withholding tax unless the issuer thereof or obligor thereon is required to make additional payments to fully compensate the Issuers for such withholding taxes (including in respect of any such additional payments). On any date of determination, the amount of any scheduled distribution on the Eligible Investments due on any future date shall be assumed to be made net of any such uncompensated withholding tax based upon applicable withholding tax rates in effect on such date of determination.

## ARTICLE II

### THE NOTES

#### SECTION 2.1 Forms Generally.

The Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C-1 Notes, the Class C-2 Notes, the Income Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities, the Class Q-2A Securities and the Class Q-2B Securities and the Trustee's certificate of authentication thereon (the "Certificate of Authentication") shall be substantially in the forms required by this Article II, with such appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions and other variations as are required or permitted by this Indenture and may have such letters, numbers or other marks of identification and such legends or endorsements placed thereon as may, consistently herewith, be determined and authorized by the Authorized Officers executing and authenticating such Notes, Class Q-1 Securities or Class Q-2 Securities, as evidenced by their execution and authentication thereof. Any portion of the text of any Note, Class Q-1 Security or Class Q-2 Security may be set forth on the reverse thereof, with an appropriate reference thereto on the face of the Note, Class Q-1 Security or Class Q-2 Security.

#### SECTION 2.2 Form of Notes and Certificate of Authentication.

(a) The Senior Notes shall be issued initially as global notes and the form of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C-1 Notes and the Class C-2 Notes issued as Temporary Regulation S Global Notes, Regulation S Global Notes or Rule 144A Global Notes, including the Certificate of Authentication, shall be as set forth respectively as Exhibits A1-1, A1-2, A1-3, A2-1, A2-2, A2-3, B-1, B-2, B-3, C1-1, C1-2, C1-3, C2-1, C2-2, and C2-3 hereto.

(b) (i) Temporary Regulation S Global Notes and Regulation S Global Notes. The Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C-1 Notes and the Class C-2 Notes initially sold to non-U.S. Persons (as defined in Regulation S) in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S shall be initially issued in the form of one or more temporary global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons with the applicable legends substantially as set forth in the form of Exhibits A1-1, A2-1, B-1, C1-1 and C2-1, hereto, respectively (each, a "Temporary Regulation S Global Note"), and, on or after the Exchange Date, upon certification in accordance with Rule 903(b)(3)(ii)(B) from the Depositary, Euroclear and Clearstream that the beneficial interests in such Temporary Regulation S Global Notes are owned by Persons who are non-U.S. Persons, shall be exchangeable for interests in one or more permanent global notes of the same Class in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons with the applicable legends substantially as set forth in the form of Exhibits A1-2, A2-2, B-2, C1-2 and C2-2, hereto, respectively (each, a "Regulation S Global Note"), which Temporary Regulation S Global Notes and Regulation S Global Notes shall be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for such Notes represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for DTC, the initial Depositary, and registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, for the respective accounts of Euroclear and Clearstream, duly executed by the Issuers and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter

provided. The Aggregate Principal Amount of the Temporary Regulation S Global Notes and the Regulation S Global Notes may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee or the Depositary or its nominee, as the case may be, as hereinafter provided.

(ii) Rule 144A Global Notes. The Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C-1 Notes and the Class C-2 Notes initially sold in the United States or to U.S. Persons pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act shall be issued in the form of one or more permanent global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons with the applicable legends substantially as set forth in the form of Exhibits A1-3, A2-3, B-3, C1-3, and C2-3, respectively (each, a “Rule 144A Global Note”), which shall be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for DTC and registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, duly executed by the Issuers and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided. The Aggregate Principal Amount of the Rule 144A Global Notes may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee or the Depositary or its nominee, as the case may be, as hereinafter provided.

(c) All Income Notes shall be issued in the form of certificated Notes in definitive, physical certificates in fully registered form without interest coupons with the applicable legends substantially as set forth in the form of Exhibit IN-Certificated (each a “Certificated Income Note”), which shall be registered in the name of the beneficial owner or a nominee thereof, duly executed by the Issuer and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided.

(d) The terms and provisions contained in the Securities shall constitute, and are hereby expressly made, a part of this Indenture, and the Issuers and the Trustee, by their execution and delivery of this Indenture, and the Holders of Securities, by their acceptance of the Securities, expressly agree to such terms and provisions and to be bound thereby. To the extent any provision of any Security conflicts with the express provisions of this Indenture, the provisions of this Indenture shall govern and be controlling.

(e) The Certificated Income Notes, the Certificated Class Q-1 Securities, the Certificated Class Q-2 Securities, the Global Notes (including the Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Securities and the Class Q-1 Reg S Global Securities) or any definitive notes issued in accordance with Section 2.5(d) and (e) shall be typewritten on bond paper or safety paper, printed, lithographed, engraved or produced by any combinations of these methods, with or without steel engraved borders.

(f) Except as provided in Sections 2.5(d) and (e), owners of beneficial interests in Global Notes will not be entitled to receive physical delivery of definitive Notes; provided, that transferees of Class Q-1 Reg S Global Securities will receive physical delivery of definitive Securities as provided in Section 2.16(c)(iii).



SECTION 2.3      Authorized Amount; Maturity Date; Classification and Priority of Notes; Interest Rate; and Denomination.

(a) The maximum Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C-1 Notes, the Class C-2 Notes and the Income Notes that may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture is limited to U.S. \$62,000,000, U.S. \$56,000,000, U.S. \$39,500,000, U.S. \$21,000,000, U.S. \$5,000,000 and U.S. \$82,000,000 respectively, except for Notes authenticated and delivered upon registration of transfer of, in exchange for, or in lieu of other Notes pursuant to Sections 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, 9.5 or 9.6. The Maturity Date for each Class of Notes is August 1, 2016, or, if the maturity is extended pursuant to Section 2.15 hereof, August 1, 2020. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Income Notes includes the U.S. 25,000,000 Aggregate Principal Amount of Income Notes Delivered to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account on the Closing Date, which shall be deemed to have been issued for all purposes of this Indenture.

(b) The Notes will be issued in Classes, denominated as Class A-1 Floating Rate Senior Extendable Notes (the “Class A-1 Notes”), Class A-2 Floating Rate Senior Extendable Notes (the “Class A-2 Notes”), Class B Floating Rate Deferrable Senior Subordinate Extendable Notes (the “Class B Notes”), Class C-1 Floating Rate Deferrable Senior Subordinate Extendable Notes (the “Class C-1 Notes”), Class C-2 Fixed Rate Deferrable Senior Subordinate Extendable Notes (the “Class C-2 Notes”) and Extendable Income Notes (the “Income Notes”). The Income Notes will be subordinate in payment priority hereunder to the Senior Notes. The Class C-1 Notes and the Class C-2 Notes will rank pari passu with each other and (except in certain cases where the Diversion Test is not satisfied) will be subordinate in payment priority hereunder to the Class B Notes, and to the Class A-2 Notes and to the Class A-1 Notes. The Class B Notes will be subordinate in payment priority hereunder (except in certain cases where the Diversion Test is not satisfied) to the Class A-2 Notes and to the Class A-1 Notes. The Class A-2 Notes will be subordinate in payment priority hereunder to the Class A-1 Notes.

(c) The Senior Notes will accrue interest at the following rates:

<u>Class of Notes</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>
Class A-1 Notes	LIBOR + 0.70% per annum
Class A-2 Notes	LIBOR + 0.80% per annum
Class B Notes	LIBOR + 1.40% per annum
Class C-1 Notes	LIBOR + 2.60% per annum
Class C-2 Notes	7.53% per annum

(d) Each Class of Notes, whether issued in definitive or global form, shall be issuable and transferable in minimum denominations of U.S. \$500,000 and integral multiples of U.S. \$1,000 in excess thereof. The denominations of the Notes authorized to be issued under this Section 2.4(d) are referred to herein in each case as “Authorized Denominations” and are expressed in terms of the principal amounts thereof at the date of issuance. After issuance, any

Note may fail to be in an Authorized Denomination due to the repayment of principal thereof in accordance with the Priority of Payments or any other applicable provision hereof, and after such repayment the “Authorized Denomination” of any such Note, for purposes of this Indenture, shall mean the original Authorized Denomination reduced by any such repayment.

(e) The Notes will be subject to redemption prior to the Maturity Date solely as provided in Section 2.14.

#### SECTION 2.4 Issuance of Securities.

(a) The Securities shall be executed on behalf of the Issuer and, in the case of the Senior Notes only, the Co-Issuer by Authorized Officers thereof. The signature of any such Authorized Officers on the Securities may be manual or facsimile.

(b) Securities bearing the manual or facsimile signature of individuals who were Authorized Officers at the time when such signatures shall have been affixed shall bind the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, as applicable, notwithstanding that such individuals or any of them shall have ceased to hold such office prior to the authentication and delivery of such Securities or did not hold such office at the date of issuance of such Securities.

(c) On the Closing Date and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Indenture, the applicable Issuers shall deliver the Securities executed by such Issuers to the Trustee for authentication; and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver such Securities as provided in this Indenture and not otherwise.

Each Security authenticated and delivered by the Trustee on the Closing Date shall be dated as of the Closing Date. All other Securities that are authenticated after the Closing Date for any other purpose under this Indenture shall be dated the date of their authentication.

(d) Subject to the second sentence hereof, Securities issued upon transfer, exchange or replacement of other Securities shall be issued in Authorized Denominations reflecting the original Aggregate Principal Amount of the Securities so transferred, exchanged or replaced, but shall represent only the Outstanding Aggregate Principal Amount of the Securities so transferred. If any Security is divided into more than one Security in accordance with this Article II, the original Aggregate Principal Amount of such Security shall be appropriately divided among the Securities delivered in exchange therefor in denominations specified by the Holders thereof; provided, that each Security is in an Authorized Denomination and the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Security is in the aggregate equal to the original Aggregate Principal Amount of such divided Security.

No Security shall be entitled to any benefit under this Indenture or be valid or obligatory for any purpose, unless there appears on such Security a Certificate of Authentication, substantially in the form provided for herein, executed by the Trustee by the manual signature of one of its Responsible Officers, and such certificate upon any Security shall be conclusive evidence, and the only evidence, that such Security has been duly authenticated and delivered hereunder.

## SECTION 2.5 Book-Entry Securities.

(a) In the case of the Senior Notes, Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Securities and Class Q-1 Reg S Global Securities, unless and until definitive Securities have been issued in accordance with Section 2.5(d) and (e) (i) such Securities, upon original issuance, shall be book-entry Securities (“Book-Entry Securities”), (ii) the Depositary with respect to such Book-Entry Securities shall be DTC or such successor Depositary named in accordance with Section 2.5(c) below and (iii) such Book-Entry Securities shall be maintained on the book-entry deposit system of the Depositary in accordance with the procedures established by the Depositary. Each Class of the Book-Entry Securities shall be represented by a Global Note or Global Notes, which shall at all times be registered on the records of the Trustee and the Registrar in name of the Depositary or its nominee. With respect to the Book-Entry Securities:

(i) the provisions of this Section 2.5(a) shall be in full force and effect and with respect to the Senior Notes represented by Global Notes, to the extent that the provisions of this Section 2.5(a) conflict with any other provisions of this Indenture, the provisions of this Section 2.5(a) shall control;

(ii) the beneficial ownership of such Book-Entry Securities will be evidenced solely through the book-entry record system maintained by the Depositary (by book-entries made in the records of the Depositary, or the records of a Person or entity maintaining an account with the Depositary (either as a Participant or as an Indirect Participant, in accordance with the rules of the Depositary)) and the holdings of Book-Entry Securities of customers (including Indirect Participants) of Participants will not be known to the Trustee, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Depositary;

(iii) the beneficial owners of such Book-Entry Securities will not be recognized by the Trustee or by the Issuers as “Holders of the Securities” or “Securityholders” as such terms are used herein and beneficial owners will only be able to exercise the rights of the Holders of the Securities indirectly through the Depositary and its Participants and Indirect Participants and shall be subject to any agreements between such beneficial owners and the Depositary and/or its Participants and/or Indirect Participants; provided, that the registered Holder of a Global Note may grant proxies and otherwise authorize any person, including agent members and Persons that may hold interests through agent members, to take any action that a Holder is entitled to take under this Indenture or the Securities;

(iv) with respect to Senior Notes represented by Global Notes only, transfers of beneficial ownership of such Book-Entry Securities shall be made on the books and records of the Depositary and/or its Participants and/or Indirect Participants;

(v) beneficial ownership and with respect to Senior Notes represented by Global Notes only transfers of beneficial ownership of such Book-Entry Securities shall be governed by the rules of the Depositary;

(vi) the Issuers and the Trustee may deal with the Depositary as the sole holder of record of such Book-Entry Securities for all purposes, including exercising

the rights of the Holders of the Securities under this Indenture, and requests and directions for and votes of the Depositary (or its Participants) will not be deemed inconsistent if they are made with respect to different beneficial owners; all references in this Indenture to actions taken by the Holders of the Securities refer to actions taken by the Depositary upon instructions of its Participants and/or Indirect Participants;

(vii) neither the Issuers nor the Trustee will have responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records of the Depositary, any Participant or any Indirect Participant relating to the beneficial ownership of the Book-Entry Securities;

(viii) the Issuers and the Trustee may rely and shall be fully protected in relying upon information furnished by the Depositary with respect to its Participants and by Participants with respect to the beneficial owners of the Securities;

(ix) all payments due on account of or with respect to such Book-Entry Securities shall be made to the Depositary as provided herein, and neither the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee nor any agent of any of them shall have any responsibility or liability for the disbursement of such payments by the Depositary or any Participant or Indirect Participant to beneficial owners of Securities;

(x) such Book-Entry Securities may not be exchanged for definitive Notes except under circumstances set forth in Sections 2.5(d) and (e), provided that upon transfers of Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Securities and Class Q-1 Reg S Global Securities physical definitive Securities will be delivered to the transferee as provided in Section 2.16(c)(iii); and

(xi) insofar as interests in the Global Notes are held by the agent members of Euroclear or Clearstream, the provisions of the "Operating Procedures of the Euroclear System" and the "Terms and Conditions Governing Use of Participants" of Euroclear and Clearstream, respectively, or any successors thereto shall be applicable. Account holders or participants in Euroclear and Clearstream shall have no rights under this Indenture with respect to such Book-Entry Securities, and the registered nominee of the Depositary will be treated by the Trustee and any agent of the Trustee as the owner of the Global Note or Notes for all purposes whatsoever. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein shall prevent the Trustee or any agent of the Trustee from giving effect to any written certification, proxy or other authorization furnished by the Depositary or impair, as between the Depositary and Euroclear, Clearstream and their respective agent members, the operation of customary practices governing the exercise of the rights of a Holder of any Note.

(b) The Issuers shall execute and deliver initially the Global Notes registered in the name of DTC or Cede & Co., as DTC's nominee, and the Trustee shall hold such Global Notes as custodian for DTC or pursuant to DTC's instructions, if any.

Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, members of, or Participants in, the Depositary as well as any other Persons on whose behalf such Participants may act (including Euroclear and Clearstream and account holders and participants therein) shall

have no rights under this Indenture with respect to any Global Note held on their behalf or for their benefit by the Depositary, and the Depositary may be treated by the Issuers or the Trustee and any agent of the Issuers or the Trustee as the absolute owner of such Global Note or Global Notes for all purposes whatsoever. Upon the issuance of any Global Note, the Registrar or its duly appointed agent shall record the Depositary's nominee as the registered holder of such Global Note on the Securities Register.

(c) The Issuers may from time to time select a new entity to act as Depositary with respect to the Book-Entry Securities, and if such selection is made, the Issuers shall promptly give the Trustee notice to such effect identifying the new Depositary and the Issuers shall cause the Global Notes to be delivered to the Trustee for cancellation and immediately thereupon, in accordance with Sections 2.4 and 2.6, the Issuers shall execute and deliver to the Trustee and the Trustee shall authenticate, register and deliver to the successor Depositary, or retain as custodian for the successor Depositary, one or more successor Global Notes. Appropriate changes may be made in the form of such Global Notes to reflect the selection of the new Depositary.

(d) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in paragraphs (a) and (c) above, if, with respect to the Book-Entry Securities, (i)(A) the Depositary notifies the Trustee in writing that it is unwilling or unable to continue as Depositary for the Notes or the Depositary, Euroclear or Clearstream ceases to be a "clearing agency" (as defined in the Exchange Act) registered under the Exchange Act and (B) a successor depository or clearing agency is not appointed by the Trustee within 90 days after receiving such notice; (ii) as a result of any amendment to or change in the laws or regulations of the Cayman Islands, or of any authority therein having power to tax, or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations that become effective on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer, the Trustee, or any Paying Agent is required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Global Notes which would not be required if such Notes were not represented by a global note; or (iii) any Event of Default (as defined in Section 5.1) has occurred and is continuing (and has not been waived); the Trustee shall execute an agreement with the Issuers amending this Indenture pursuant to Section 9.1 for the purpose of terminating the book entry deposit system and substituting definitive Notes for the Global Notes. Such agreement shall provide for the form and terms of such definitive Notes and the place and manner in which a Noteholder may obtain possession of such definitive Notes; provided, that in no event may holders of beneficial interests in the Temporary Regulation S Global Notes or Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Securities receive definitive Notes pursuant to this provision prior to the Exchange Date and each such holder must certify to the Issuers and the Trustee that it is a non-U.S. Person. Such agreement shall also provide the procedures for registration of transfer or exchange of such definitive Notes, as well as such other provisions as the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Trustee may agree shall be necessary or appropriate to effect the substitution of definitive Notes for Global Notes and to modify the provisions of this Indenture to provide for the use of definitive Notes in lieu of a book-entry deposit system.

(e) Upon the occurrence of any of the events described in paragraph (d) above, the Trustee shall notify all Holders of the Global Notes and shall advise such Holders of the Global Notes of the procedure by which the Global Notes shall be exchanged for definitive Notes. Each beneficial owner of Global Notes shall be entitled, at no cost to it, to have registered in the name of the beneficial owner of Global Notes one or more definitive Notes

representing the same aggregate principal amount of Notes of the relevant Class as its beneficial interest in the related Global Note. Upon the occurrence of any such event, (i) the Trustee at the expense of the Issuer shall obtain from the Depository a listing of the Participants then holding Book-Entry Securities on the records of the Depository and (ii) upon surrender by the Depository to the Trustee of the Global Notes for each Class, the Trustee shall cancel such Global Notes and the Issuers shall execute and deliver to such Participants definitive Notes representing in the aggregate the identical Aggregate Principal Amount of beneficial interests in the Global Notes held by such Participants on the records of the Depository, registered in such names as such Participants shall have provided to the Trustee; provided, however, that the Trustee shall not register any such definitive Note or deliver any such definitive Note to a Participant unless and until such Participant shall have provided to the Trustee a certification acceptable to the Trustee that such registration instructions were given, and delivery of such definitive Note will be made, in accordance with the directions of the beneficial owners of Notes represented by such Participant. Neither the Issuers nor the Trustee shall be liable for any delay in delivery of such registration instructions by any Participant and each of them may conclusively rely on, and shall be protected in relying on, (i) information contained in the Participant listing provided by the Depository regarding the names of the Participants holding beneficial interests in the Global Notes and the Aggregate Principal Amount of Notes represented by the beneficial interests in the Global Notes held by each such Participant, and (ii) the foregoing registration instructions and certifications provided by each such Participant with respect to definitive Notes representing the same Aggregate Principal Amounts of definitive Notes as the beneficial interests in the Global Notes stated to be held by such Participant in such Participant listing. If definitive Notes are issued, the Issuer will publish in the Republic of Ireland thereafter information explaining the payment, transfer and exchange procedures for the definitive Notes. The Trustee shall recognize the registered holders of the definitive Notes as Holders of the Notes hereunder. The Registrar shall reflect on its records the issuance of definitive Notes in exchange for the Global Notes.

(f) In the event that definitive Notes are not issued to each beneficial owner promptly after an event described in Section 2.5(d), the Issuers expressly acknowledge, with respect to the rights of any Holder of the Notes to pursue a remedy pursuant to Article V hereof, the right of any beneficial owner of Notes to pursue such remedy with respect to the portion of the Global Notes that represents such beneficial owner's Notes as if such definitive notes had been issued.

## SECTION 2.6     Registration of Transfer and Exchange of Securities; Restriction on Transfer.

(a) The Issuers shall cause to be kept a securities register (the "Securities Register") for the Securities in which, subject to such reasonable regulations as they may prescribe, the Issuers shall provide for the registration of the Holders of the Securities and the registration of transfers of the Securities. The Trustee is hereby appointed to be the initial securities registrar (in such capacity, the "Registrar") for the purpose of registering the Securities and the registration of transfers and exchanges of Securities. Upon the resignation of any Registrar, the Issuers shall promptly appoint a successor thereto. The Trustee may prescribe reasonable procedures for carrying out its function as Registrar that do not conflict with the procedures established by the Issuer. In all events, the Trustee shall be entitled to maintain at its Corporate Trust Office within the United States such books and records as it may deem

necessary or appropriate in respect of the performance of its function as Registrar. In the event that the Trustee is no longer acting in the capacity of the Registrar, the Trustee shall promptly inform any such successor Registrar of any transfer of record ownership of a Security so that the successor Registrar may register the same in the Securities Register; and upon request at any time the Registrar shall provide to the Trustee or the Issuers a current list of the Holders of the Securities as reflected in the Securities Register. The Issuer shall notify the Trustee of any Securities owned by or pledged to the Issuer or any of its Affiliates promptly upon the acquisition thereof or the creation of such pledge.

Subject to the provisions of this Section 2.6, at the option of a Holder, Securities may be exchanged for other Securities of the same Class, in any Authorized Denominations and of a like Aggregate Principal Amount, upon surrender of the Securities to be exchanged at the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee. Whenever any Securities are so surrendered for exchange, the applicable Issuer shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, the Securities that the Holder of Securities making the exchange is entitled to receive. Notwithstanding the foregoing, an interest in a Global Note may be transferred or exchanged for an interest in another Global Note or in definitive Notes only in the limited circumstances set forth in this Section or in Section 2.5(c), 2.5(d), 2.5(e) and 2.16 hereof.

No service charge shall be made for any registration of transfer or exchange of Securities or beneficial interest therein, but the Issuers, the Trustee or the Registrar may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with any transfer or exchange of Securities or any beneficial interest therein, other than exchanges not involving any transfer.

All Securities issued and authenticated upon any registration of transfer or exchange shall be the valid obligations of the applicable Issuers, evidencing the same debt, and entitled to the same benefits under this Indenture, as the Securities surrendered upon such registration of transfer or exchange.

Every Security presented or surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange shall be duly endorsed or be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer or exchange substantially in the form of Exhibit D hereto in form satisfactory to the applicable Issuers and the Trustee duly executed by the Holder thereof or its attorney duly authorized in writing.

The preceding provisions of this Section 2.6 notwithstanding, the Issuers shall not be required to transfer or make exchanges, and the Registrar need not register transfers or exchanges, of Securities that are due for repayment within fifteen (15) days of submission to the Trustee for transfer or exchange.

(b) No Security may be sold or transferred (including, without limitation, by mortgage, charge, pledge or hypothecation) unless such sale or transfer is exempt from or not subject to the registration requirements of the Securities Act, would not require the registration of the Issuers under the Investment Company Act, is exempt under applicable state or foreign securities laws and is in compliance with the terms of this Indenture. No Security may be offered, sold or delivered at any time within the United States or to, or for the benefit of, U.S. Persons except in accordance with (i) Rule 144A under the Securities Act, to Persons who are

both Qualified Institutional Buyers and Qualified Purchasers (or, solely in the case of Income Notes, in accordance with an exemption from registration under the Securities Act to Persons who are both Accredited Investors and Qualified Purchasers) and (ii) the provisions of this Article II. In addition, no Security or any beneficial interest therein may be offered, sold or delivered at any time within the United States or to, or for the benefit of, U.S. Persons unless such person (A) was not formed for the purpose of investing in the Securities, (B) has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners if the purchaser is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, (C) is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (D) is not a partnership, common trust fund, special trust, pension, profit sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants, as applicable, may designate the particular investments to be made, (E) is acquiring its Securities in a transaction that may be affected without loss of any applicable Investment Company Act exemption, (F) will provide notice to any subsequent transferee of the transfer restrictions applicable to such Securities under the Indenture or provided in the legend set forth on such Securities, (G) will hold and transfer its beneficial interest only in a principal amount of not less than the applicable Authorized Denomination and (H) will provide the Issuer from time to time such information as it may reasonably request in order to ascertain compliance with this paragraph (b). The Securities may be sold in offshore transactions to non-U.S. Persons in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act. None of the Issuers, the Trustee or any other Person may register the Securities under the Securities Act or any state or foreign securities laws.

(c) Upon the request of any Holder of a Security (or beneficial owner of a Security), the Issuers shall promptly furnish to such Holder (or beneficial owner of a Security) or to a prospective purchaser of any Security designated by such Holder (or beneficial owner of a Security), as the case may be, the information which the Issuers determine to be required to be delivered pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act ("Rule 144A Information"), in order to permit compliance by such Holder with Rule 144A in connection with the resale of such Security by such Securityholder. Upon request by the applicable Issuers, the Trustee shall cooperate with such Issuers in mailing or otherwise distributing (at the expense of the Issuers) to such Holders of the Securities (or beneficial owners of Securities) or prospective purchasers, at and pursuant to the written direction of such Issuers, the foregoing materials prepared and provided by the Issuers; provided, however, that the Trustee shall be entitled to affix thereto or enclose therewith such disclaimers as the Trustee shall deem reasonably appropriate, at its discretion (such as, for example, a disclaimer to the effect that such Rule 144A Information was assembled by the Issuers and not by the Trustee, that the Trustee has not reviewed or verified the accuracy thereof, and that it makes no representation as to the sufficiency of such information under Rule 144A or for any other purpose).

(d) The Trustee shall not be responsible for ascertaining whether any transfer complies with, or for otherwise monitoring or determining compliance with, the requirements or terms of the Securities Act, Investment Company Act, applicable state securities laws, ERISA or the Code; except that if a Transfer Letter or a Transferee Certificate or other letter or certificate is specifically required by the terms of this Section 2.6, Section 2.16 or 2.17 to be provided to the Trustee (including in its capacity as Registrar) by a transferor or prospective transferee, as applicable, the Trustee shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine whether it conforms substantially on its face to the applicable requirements of such Section.



(e) For so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding, the Issuer shall not issue or permit the transfer of any Ordinary Shares of the Issuer to U.S. Persons.

(f) So long as any Global Note remains Outstanding and is held by or on behalf of the Depositary, transfers of a beneficial interest in a Global Note in whole or in part, shall only be made in accordance with this Section 2.6(f).

(i) Transfer of Interest in Rule 144A Global Note for Interest in Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Regulation S Global Note. Subject to the provisions of this Section 2.6 and the Applicable Procedures, a holder of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note may at any time transfer all or a portion of its beneficial interest in such Rule 144A Global Note to a Person who wishes to take delivery thereof in the form of an equivalent interest in a corresponding Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Regulation S Global Note of the same Class in an offshore transaction in accordance with Rule 903 or 904 of Regulation S; *provided* that the remaining principal amount of the beneficial interest of such holder in the Rule 144A Global Note shall either equal zero or be in an Authorized Denomination. Upon the receipt by the Trustee of (A) instructions given in accordance with the Applicable Procedures from a Participant directing the Registrar to credit or cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the corresponding Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Regulation S Global Note in an amount equal to the beneficial interest in such Rule 144A Global Note, in an Authorized Denomination, to be exchanged or transferred, such instructions to contain information regarding the Euroclear or Clearstream account to be credited with such increase and (B) a Transfer Letter substantially in the form of Exhibit E-1 attached hereto given by the transferor of such beneficial interest stating, among other things, that the exchange or transfer of such interest has been made in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Global Notes, including that the transferee is not a U.S. Person, and pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S, then the Registrar shall instruct the Depositary to reduce the principal amount of such Rule 144A Global Note by the Aggregate Principal Amount of the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to be transferred, record the transfer in the Securities Register in accordance with Section 2.5(a) and instruct the Depositary concurrently with such reduction to increase the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Temporary Regulation S Global Note or the Regulation S Global Note, as the case may be, by the Aggregate Principal Amount of the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to be transferred, and to credit or cause to be credited to the account of the Person specified in such instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Temporary Regulation S Global Note or the Regulation S Global Note equal to the reduction in the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Rule 144A Global Note. In no event shall Persons hold interests in the Temporary Regulation S Notes or Regulation S Global Notes through Participants of DTC other than such Participants maintaining positions on behalf of Euroclear or Clearstream.

(ii) Transfer of Interest in Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Regulation S Global Note for Interest in Rule 144A Global Note. Subject to the provisions of this Section 2.6 and the Applicable Procedures, a holder of a beneficial interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Regulation S Global Note may

transfer at any time all or a portion of its beneficial interest in such Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Regulation S Global Note in accordance with Rule 144A under the Securities Act to a Person who takes delivery thereof in the form of an interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note; provided, that the remaining principal amount of such holder's beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Regulation S Global Note shall either equal zero or be in an Authorized Denomination. Upon receipt by the Trustee of (A) instructions from Euroclear, Clearstream or the Depositary, as the case may be, directing the Registrar to cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note in an amount equal to the beneficial interest in such Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Regulation S Global Note, but not less than an Authorized Denomination, to be exchanged or transferred, such instructions to contain information regarding the participant account with the Depositary to be credited with such increase and (B) a Transfer Letter substantially in the form of Exhibit E-2 attached hereto given by the transferor of such beneficial interest stating, among other things, that such holder reasonably believes that the proposed transferee is both (i) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (ii) a Qualified Purchaser, then Euroclear, Clearstream or the Registrar, as the case may be, shall instruct the Depositary to reduce such Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Regulation S Global Note by the Aggregate Principal Amount of the beneficial interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Regulation S Global Note to be transferred, and the Registrar shall record the transfer in the Securities Register in accordance with Section 2.5(a) and the Registrar shall then instruct the Depositary concurrently with such reduction, to increase the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Rule 144A Global Note by the Aggregate Principal Amount of the beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Note or Temporary Regulation S Global Note, as the case may be, to be transferred, and to credit or cause to be credited to the account of the Person specified in such instructions, a beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note equal to the reduction in the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Regulation S Global Note.

(iii) Transfer of Interest in Rule 144A Global Note for Interest in Rule 144A Global Note. Transfers of interests in a Rule 144A Global Note to transferees maintaining a beneficial interest in such Global Note may only be made in accordance with the provisions of this Indenture, will be effected by book-entry transfer of beneficial interests effected on the records of the Depositary and may be made only to a Person whom the transferor reasonably believes is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser in a transaction exempt under Rule 144A from the registration requirements of the Securities Act and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States. Each transferee of a Rule 144A Global Note or beneficial interest therein will be deemed to have made the representations and agreements set forth in Section 2.6(g).

(iv) Transfer of Interest in Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Regulation S Global Note for Interest in Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Regulation S Global Note. Transfers of interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Regulation S Global Note to transferees maintaining a beneficial interest in such Global Note may only be made in accordance with the provisions of this Indenture, will be effected by book-entry transfer of beneficial interests within the Clearance Systems

(and subject to the Applicable Procedures) and may be made only to non-U.S. Persons who acquire the interests in offshore transactions in compliance with Regulation S. In no event shall Persons hold an interest in Temporary Regulation S Global Notes or Regulation S Global Notes through Participants of DTC other than such Participants maintaining positions on behalf of Euroclear or Clearstream. Each transferee of Temporary Regulation S Global Notes or Regulation S Global Notes or beneficial interest therein will be deemed to have made the representations and agreements set forth in Section 2.6(h).

(g) Each transferee of a Rule 144A Global Note or beneficial interest therein will be deemed to have represented and agreed as follows:

(i) It (A) is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is acquiring the Notes in reliance on the exemption from Securities Act registration provided by Rule 144A thereunder, (B) is a Qualified Purchaser and (C) understands the Notes will bear the legend set forth in the Indenture and be represented by one or more Rule 144A Global Notes. In addition, it represents and warrants that it (1) was not formed for the purpose of investing in the Notes, (2) has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners if the purchaser is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, (3) is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (4) is not a partnership, common trust fund, or special trust, pension, profit sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants, as applicable, may designate the particular investments to be made, (5) is acquiring its Notes in a transaction that may be effected without loss of any applicable Investment Company Act exemption, (6) will provide notice to any subsequent transferee of the transfer restrictions applicable to such Notes under the Indenture or provided in such legend, (7) will hold and transfer its beneficial interest only in a principal amount of not less than the applicable Authorized Denomination, and (8) will provide the Issuer from time to time such information as it may reasonably request in order to ascertain compliance with this paragraph (i).

(ii) The Notes are being purchased or transferred in accordance with the transfer restrictions set forth in this Indenture and pursuant to an exemption from Securities Act registration, and in accordance with applicable state securities laws or securities laws of any other relevant jurisdiction. It understands that the Notes have been offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or any state securities laws, and, if in the future it decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Notes, such Notes may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with an exemption from registration under such laws and pursuant to the provisions of the Indenture and the legend on such Notes. In particular, it understands that interests in the Notes may be transferred only to (a) a Qualified Purchaser that is a Qualified Institutional Buyer or (b) a person that is not a "U.S. person" as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act. Transferees who reside in certain states or jurisdictions may be subject to additional suitability standards and/or specific holding periods before the Notes may be resold or otherwise transferred.

It acknowledges that no representation is made as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or any state securities laws for resale of the Notes.

(iii) In connection with the purchase of the Notes (*provided* that no such representations in clauses (A), (B) or (C) below are made with respect to the Reference Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates by the Reference Portfolio Manager or any Affiliate of the Reference Portfolio Manager or by any account managed or advised by the Reference Portfolio Manager or any such Affiliate of the Reference Portfolio Manager: (A) it understands that none of the Issuers, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective Affiliates is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for such beneficial owner; (B) such beneficial owner is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Issuers, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective Affiliates, agents and independent contractors in their capacities as such other than any statements, if any, of such person in a current offering circular for the Notes; (C) such beneficial owner has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisers to the extent it has deemed necessary and has made its own investment decisions based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisers as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Issuers, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective Affiliates, agents and independent contractors in their capacities as such; (D) such beneficial owner's purchase of the Notes will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located; (E) such beneficial owner is acquiring the Notes as principal solely for its own account for investment and not with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act; (F) such beneficial owner has made investments prior to the date hereof and was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Notes; (G) such beneficial owner shall not hold any Notes for the benefit of any other person, it shall at all times be the sole beneficial owner thereof for purposes of the Investment Company Act and all other purposes and it shall not sell participation interests in the Notes or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the distributions on the Notes; (H) all Securities (together with any other securities of the Issuers) purchased and held directly or indirectly by such beneficial owner constitute in the aggregate an investment of no more than 40% of its assets or capital; and (I) it is a sophisticated investor and is purchasing the Notes with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof, and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume those risks.

(iv) On each day from the date on which such beneficial owner acquires its interest in the Notes through and including the date on which such beneficial owner disposes of its interest in such Notes, either (A) such beneficial owner is not a Plan, an entity whose underlying assets include the assets of any Plan by reason of Department of Labor regulation Section 2510.3-101 or otherwise, or a governmental plan

that is subject to any federal, state or local law which is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or (B) such beneficial owner's purchase, holding and disposition of such Notes (or interest therein) will not constitute or result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental plan, any substantially similar federal, state or local law) for which an exemption is not available, all of the conditions of which are satisfied.

(v) It understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to demand that any holder of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note who is determined not to be a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser sell the Notes (A) to a person who is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A or (B) to a Person who will take delivery of the holder's interest in the Rule 144A Global Note in the form of an interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Regulation S Global Note, as applicable, and who is not a U.S. Person in a transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S and, if such holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may cause such holder of the beneficial interest to sell such holder's interest in the Note on such terms as the Issuer may choose.

(vi) It understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to this Indenture or Swap Agreement Amendment that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Notes, this Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase the beneficial interest in the Notes from any Non-consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-consenting Holder will be required to sell its beneficial interest in this Notes to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(vii) It understands that the maturity of the Notes is subject to an extension of four years to August 1, 2020 without consent of any holders of Securities at the option of the Swap Counterparty if certain conditions are satisfied.

(viii) It acknowledges that it is its intent and that it understands it is the intent of the Issuer that, for purposes of U.S. federal income, state and local income and franchise tax and any other income taxes, the Issuer will be treated as a corporation, the Senior Notes will be treated as indebtedness of the Issuer, and the Income Notes will be treated as equity in the Issuer; it agrees to such treatment and agrees to take no action inconsistent with such treatment.

(ix) It is not purchasing the Notes in order to reduce any United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan. In the case of a transferee that is a bank (as defined in Section 881(c)(3)(a) of the Code) or an Affiliate of such a bank, the transferee (a) is acquiring the Notes as a capital markets investment and will not for any purpose treat the assets of the Issuer as loans acquired in its banking business, and (b) has not proposed or identified, and will not propose or identify, any security or loan for inclusion in the Reference Portfolio.

(x) In the case of any transferee that is not a United States person (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code), the transferee is not a bank (as defined in Section 881(c)(3)(a) of the Code) or an Affiliate of such a bank, unless the transferee is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States.

(xi) It acknowledges that the Reference Portfolio Manager will act solely on behalf of the Swap Counterparty and will not act or be deemed to act on behalf of, or have any contractual relationship with, the Issuer or the Holder of Securities.

(xii) It is aware that, except as otherwise provided in the Indenture, the Notes being sold to it will be represented by one or more Global Notes, and that beneficial interests therein may be held only through the Depositary.

(xiii) It acknowledges that no governmental agency has passed upon the Notes or made any finding or determination as to the fairness of an investment in the Notes.

(xiv) It acknowledges that certain persons or organizations will perform services on behalf of the Issuers and will receive fees and/or compensation for performing such services as described in the Offering Circular and Indenture.

(xv) It acknowledges that the Notes do not represent deposits with or other liabilities or obligations of, and are not guaranteed or endorsed by, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Placement Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator or any of their respective affiliates or any entity related to any of them or any other holder of Notes. It acknowledges that none of such persons will, in any way, be responsible for or stand behind the value or the performance of the Notes or the assets held by the Issuer. It acknowledges that purchase of Notes involves investment risks including possible delay in payment of distributions and loss of income and principal invested.

(xvi) It understands that the Issuers, the Trustee, the Swap Counterparty, the Swap Guarantor, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Collateral Administrator, and their respective counsel will rely upon the accuracy and truth of the foregoing representations, and it hereby consents to such reliance.

(h) Each transferee of a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or a Regulation S Global Note or a beneficial interest therein will be deemed to have made the representations set forth in Sections 2.6(g)(ii), (iii), (iv), (vi), (vii), (viii), (ix), (xi), (xii), (xiii), (xiv), and (xv), and in addition to have represented and agreed that:

(i) It is aware that the sale of Notes to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Regulation S and understands that the Notes offered in reliance on Regulation S will bear the legend set forth on Exhibits A1-1, A2-1, B1-1, B2-1, C1-1 and C2-1 or A1-2, A2-2, B-2, C1-2 and C2-2 as the case may be, to this Indenture. It and each beneficial owner of its Notes is not, and will not be, a U.S. Person

as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act, and its purchase of the Notes will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located. In addition, it represents and warrants that it will provide notice to any subsequent transferee of the transfer restrictions provided in such legend and in the Indenture and will provide the Issuer from time to time such information as it may reasonably request in order to ascertain compliance with this subclause (i).

(ii) It understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to demand that any holder of a beneficial interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Regulation S Global Note who is determined not to have acquired such beneficial interest in compliance with the requirements of Regulation S or who is a U.S. Person sell such beneficial interest (A) to a Person who is not a U.S. Person in a transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S or (B) to a Person who will take delivery of the beneficial interest of such holder in the Temporary Regulation S Global Notes or Regulation S Global Notes in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note, who is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A and, if the holder does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may cause the holder to sell its beneficial interest on such terms as the Issuer may choose.

(iii) Such beneficial owner is aware that, except as otherwise provided in the Indenture, the Notes being sold to it will be represented (A) initially, by one or more Temporary Regulation S Global Notes and (B) after the Exchange Date, by one or more Regulation S Global Notes, and that beneficial interests therein may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream.

(iv) A holder of a beneficial interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note must provide Euroclear or Clearstream or the participant organization through which it holds such interest, as applicable, with a certificate certifying that the beneficial owner of the interest in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note is a non-U.S. Person, and Euroclear or Clearstream, as applicable, must provide to the Trustee a certificate to such effect, prior to (A) the payment of interest or principal with respect to the beneficial interest of such holder in the Temporary Regulation S Global Note and (B) any exchange of such beneficial interest for a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note.

(v) It understands that any resale or other transfer of beneficial interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Regulation S Global Note to U.S. Persons shall not be permitted.

(vi) It will hold and transfer its beneficial interest in any Note only in the applicable Authorized Denomination.

(vii) It understands that the Issuers, the Trustee, the Swap Counterparty, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Collateral Administrator and their respective counsel will rely upon the accuracy and truth of the foregoing representations, and it hereby consents to such reliance.

(i) Transfers and exchanges of Certificated Income Notes, in whole or in part, shall only be made in accordance with this Section 2.6(i).

(i) Each initial purchaser and, after the Closing Date, each Person that becomes a Holder of Income Notes shall be required to deliver to the Trustee a Transferee Certificate (with appropriate modifications acceptable to the Issuer and the Trustee, including in the case of a transfer that is a mortgage, charge, pledge or hypothecation) in which it shall represent, warrant and agree as set forth therein.

(ii) If a Holder of an Income Note wishes at any time to transfer such Income Note, such Holder may transfer or cause the transfer of such Income Notes represented by one or more Certificated Income Notes as provided below. Upon receipt by the Trustee of (A) such Holder's Certificated Income Note properly endorsed for assignment to the transferee, (B) a Transferee Certificate provided by the transferee of such Certificated Income Note and (C) in the case of a transfer to an Accredited Investor that is not a Qualified Institutional Buyer, if requested by the Issuer, an Opinion of Counsel addressed to the Issuer and the Trustee to the effect that such transfer may be made pursuant to an exemption from registration under the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws, then the Trustee shall cancel such Certificated Income Note in accordance with Section 2.10, cause the Registrar to record the transfer in the Securities Register in accordance with Section 2.6(a) and upon execution by the Issuer authenticate and deliver one or more Certificated Income Notes registered in the names specified in the assignment described in clause (A) above, in principal amounts designated by the transferee (the aggregate of such principal amounts being equal to the aggregate principal of the Certificated Income Notes transferred by the transferor), and in Authorized Denominations. After giving effect to such transfer, the Trustee shall deliver Certificated Income Notes to the transferor representing the principal amount of the Income Notes represented by the cancelled Certificated Income Note(s) (prior to such transfer) that was retained by such transferor. Any purported transfer of a Certificated Income Note not in accordance with this Section 2.6(i) and Section 2.6(n) shall be null and void ab initio and shall not be given effect for any purpose hereunder.

(iii) If a Holder of one or more Certificated Income Notes wishes at any time to exchange any or all such Certificated Income Notes for one or more Certificated Income Notes representing in the aggregate the same principal amount of Income Notes as are represented by the Certificated Income Notes to be exchanged, such Holder may exchange or cause the exchange of such Certificated Income Note(s) as provided below. Upon receipt by the Trustee of (A) such Holder's Certificated Income Notes properly endorsed for such exchange and (B) written instructions from such Holder designating the number and principal amounts of the Certificated Income Notes to be issued (the aggregate of such principal amounts being equal to the aggregate principal amount of the Certificated Income Notes surrendered for exchange), then the Trustee shall cancel such Certificated Income Notes in accordance with Section 2.10, cause the Registrar to record the exchange in the Securities Register in accordance with Section 2.6(a) and upon execution by the Issuer authenticate and deliver one or more Certificated Income Notes, registered in the same names as the Certificated Income Notes surrendered by such



Holder, in the principal amounts designated by such Holder, and in Authorized Denominations.

(j) The Trustee, the Registrar and the Issuers may (absent actual knowledge to the contrary) conclusively rely on, and assume the continuing accuracy of, the certifications contained in a Transfer Letter, Transferee Certificate, Class Q-1 Certificated Transfer Letter, Class Q-2A Certificated Transfer Letter or Class Q-2B Certificated Transfer Letter or other applicable letter delivered (or, if applicable, the representations set forth in Sections 2.6(g) and (h) and deemed to have made by the transferee) in connection with the purchase or transfer, as applicable, of any Securities or beneficial interests in any Securities and shall have no obligation to investigate the truth and correctness thereof or to verify that any transfer satisfies the requirements of this Section 2.6, Section 2.16(c) or Section 2.17(j), as applicable. In every instance, the Registrar shall also be entitled (but is not under a duty) to require an Opinion of Counsel from any prospective transferee to the effect that such proposed transfer is in compliance with this Section 2.6, Section 2.16(c) or Section 2.17(j), as applicable.

(k) If Securities are issued upon the transfer, exchange or replacement of Securities bearing the applicable legends set forth in the Exhibits hereto, and if a request is made to remove such applicable legend on such Securities, the Securities so issued shall bear such applicable legend, or such applicable legend shall not be removed, as the case may be, unless there is delivered to the Trustee and the Issuers such satisfactory evidence, which may include an Opinion of Counsel acceptable to them, as may be reasonably required by the Issuers (and which shall by its terms permit reliance by the Trustee), to the effect that neither such applicable legend nor the restrictions on transfer set forth therein are required to ensure that transfers thereof comply with the provisions of the Securities Act, the Investment Company Act, ERISA, the Code or other applicable law. Upon provision of such satisfactory evidence, the Trustee, at the written direction of the Issuers shall, after due execution by the Issuers, authenticate and deliver Securities that do not bear such applicable legend.

(l) So long as a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Regulation S Global Note remains Outstanding, transfers of beneficial interests therein shall only be made in accordance with this Section 2.6. On or after the Exchange Date, interests in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Security may be exchanged for interests in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note or Class Q-1 Reg S Global Security, as the case may be, in the form of Exhibit A1-2, A2-2, B1-2, B2-2, C1-2, C2-2 or Q1-2 hereto, as the case may be. Any such Regulation S Global Note or Class Q-1 Reg S Global Security shall be so issued and delivered in exchange for only that portion of the Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Security, as the case may be, in respect of which there shall have been presented to the Depositary by Euroclear or Clearstream through its agent members, as the case may be, a certification to the effect that it has received from or in respect of Persons entitled to an interest (as shown by its records) therein, a certification that the beneficial interests in such Temporary Regulation S Global Note or Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Security, as the case may be, are owned by Persons who are non-U.S. Persons.

(m) Invalid Transfers. If a Responsible Officer of the Trustee has actual knowledge that (i) a transfer or attempted or purported transfer of any beneficial interest in any Note was consummated in violation of the provisions of this Indenture or on the basis of a

materially incorrect certification from the transferor or purported transferor or transferee or purported transferee, (ii) the holder of a beneficial interest in such Note failed to deliver to the Trustee the Transfer Letter or Transferee Certificate, if applicable, required to be delivered hereunder or (iii) the holder of any beneficial interest in a Note is in material breach of any representation or agreement set forth in the Transfer Letter or Transferee Certificate, if applicable, or any deemed representation or agreement of such holder of any beneficial interest in a Note, the Trustee will not register such attempted or purported transfer. If any such transfer has been registered, such transfer shall be absolutely null and void *ab initio* and shall vest no rights in the purported transferee (such purported transferee, a “Disqualified Transferee”) and the last preceding beneficial owner that was not a Disqualified Transferee shall be restored to all rights as a beneficial owner thereof retroactively to the date of purported transfer of such Note by such beneficial owner (unless any applicable provisions of the rules of the Irish Stock Exchange provide otherwise); provided, however, that this provision shall not be interpreted to confer on any of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee or any Paying Agent any rights against Euroclear or Clearstream to require that Euroclear or Clearstream reverse or rescind any trade completed in accordance with the rules of Euroclear or Clearstream. In furtherance of the foregoing, (a) either of the Issuers shall be entitled to demand that a transferee of a beneficial interest in the Senior Notes that (i) acquired an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note but is not a Qualified Purchaser and a Qualified Institutional Buyer, or (ii) acquired an interest in a Temporary Regulation S Global Note or a Regulation S Global Note but is determined not to have acquired such interest in compliance with Regulation S or is a U.S. Person sell such Notes to a purchaser qualified under this Indenture to purchase such beneficial interest in the Notes and if the transferee does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, may sell or cause such transferee to sell such interest of the transferee in the Note to a permitted transferee under this Indenture on such terms as the Issuer or Co-Issuer may choose; and (b) the Issuer shall be entitled to demand that a transferee of a Certificated Income Note that (i) is not both (A) a Qualified Purchaser and (B) a Qualified Institutional Buyer or an Accredited Investor or (ii) is determined not to have acquired such Certificated Income Notes in compliance with Regulation S sell such Certificated Income Notes to a purchaser qualified under this Section 2.6 to purchase such Certificated Income Notes and if the transferee does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may sell or cause such transferee to sell such interest of the transferee in the Note to a permitted transferee under this Indenture on such terms as the Issuer may choose.

(n) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, no purchase by or proposed transfer to any person of Income Notes will be permitted, and the Trustee shall not register or permit the registration of any such purchase or transfer, if Holders of the Income Notes that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors would own 25% or more of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Income Notes (excluding Income Notes in the form of the Class Q-1 Income Note Component, Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A and Income Notes held by Controlling Persons) immediately after such purchase or transfer. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, no purchase by or proposed transfer to any person of Class Q-1 Securities or Class Q-2B Securities will be permitted, if such person has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor, and the Trustee shall not register or permit the registration of any such purchase or transfer to a Person that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor.

(o) If any Person shall become the beneficial owner of an interest in any ERISA Restricted Note who has made an ERISA-related representation required by this Indenture that is subsequently shown to be false or misleading (any such person a “Non-Permitted ERISA Holder”), the Issuer shall, promptly after discovery that such person is a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder by the Issuer or the Trustee (and notice by the Trustee or the Co-Issuer to the Issuer, if either of them makes the discovery), send notice to such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder demanding that such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder transfer all or any portion of ERISA Restricted Note held by such Person to a Person that is not a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder within 30 days of the date of such notice. If such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder fails to so transfer such ERISA Restricted Note the Issuer shall have the right, without further notice to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder, to sell such ERISA Restricted Note or interest in such ERISA Restricted Note to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is not a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder on such terms as the Issuer may choose. The Holder of each ERISA Restricted Note, the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder, by its acceptance of an interest in the ERISA Restricted Notes agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Trustee to effect such transfers. The proceeds of such sale, net of any commissions, expenses and taxes due in connection with such sale shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder. The terms and conditions of any sale under this subsection shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer, and the Issuer shall not be liable to any Person having an interest in the ERISA Restricted Notes sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of such discretion.

#### SECTION 2.7 Mutilated, Destroyed, Lost or Stolen Notes.

(a) If (i) any mutilated Note is surrendered to the Trustee, or the Trustee receives evidence to its satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of any Note, and (ii) there is delivered to the Trustee and the Issuers such security or indemnity as may be reasonably required by the Trustee and the Issuers to hold the Issuers and the Trustee harmless, then, in the absence of notice to the Issuers, the Registrar or the Trustee that such Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in exchange for or in lieu of any such mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Note, a replacement Note of the same Class of a like Aggregate Principal Amount, registered in the same manner, dated the date of its authentication, bearing interest from the date to which interest has been paid on the mutilated, defaced, destroyed, lost or stolen Note and bearing a number not contemporaneously outstanding; provided, however, that if any such destroyed, lost or stolen Note, but not a mutilated Note, shall have become or within seven (7) days shall be due and payable, instead of issuing a replacement Note, the Issuers may pay to the Holder of such destroyed, lost or stolen Note the amount payable thereunder when so due or payable without surrender thereof.

(b) If, after the delivery of a replacement Note or payment in respect of a destroyed, lost or stolen Note pursuant to subsection (a), a protected purchaser of the original Note in lieu of which such replacement Note was issued presents for payment, transfer or exchange such original Note, the Issuers and the Trustee shall be entitled to recover such replacement Note (or such payment) from (i) any Person to which it was delivered; (ii) the Person taking such replacement Note from the Person to which such replacement Note was delivered; or (iii) any assignee of such Person, except a protected purchaser, and the Issuers and the Trustee shall be entitled to recover upon the security or indemnity provided therefor to the

extent of any loss, damage, cost or expense incurred by the Issuers or the Trustee in connection therewith.

(c) In connection with the issuance of any replacement Note under this Section 2.7, the Issuers may require the payment by the Holder of such Note of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation thereto and any other reasonable expenses (including all fees and expenses of the Trustee) connected therewith.

(d) Any duplicate Note issued pursuant to this Section 2.7 in replacement for any mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Note shall constitute an original additional contractual obligation of the Issuers, whether or not the mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Note shall be found at any time or be enforced by any Person, and shall be entitled to all the benefits of this Indenture equally and proportionately with any and all other Notes of the applicable Class duly issued hereunder.

(e) The provisions of this Section 2.7 are exclusive and shall preclude (to the extent lawful) all other rights and remedies with respect to the replacement or payment of mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Notes.

#### SECTION 2.8 Payments on the Notes.

(a) Each Class of Senior Notes shall accrue interest on the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof during each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at the applicable Interest Rate specified in Section 2.3. Subject to the availability of funds in the Trust Estate and to Section 8.6, payments of Periodic Interest shall be paid on each Class of Senior Notes on each Payment Date through the Maturity Date (or, if earlier, the date of redemption or repayment in full of such Class of Notes). In the event that the principal of any of the Senior Notes is not paid in full on the Maturity Date, no interest will accrue on the unpaid principal amount of any Senior Note subsequent to the Maturity Date. So long as any more senior Class of Notes is then Outstanding, any payment of interest due on Class B Notes, Class C-1 Notes or Class C-2 Notes which is not available to be paid ("Deferred Interest" with respect to such Notes) in accordance with Section 8.6 on any Payment Date shall not be considered "due and payable" hereunder (and so long as any more senior Class of Notes is then Outstanding, the failure to pay such interest shall not be an Event of Default unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such interest on the earlier of the Maturity Date and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Notes). Deferred Interest on any such Class of Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for such purposes in accordance with Section 8.6, but in any event, no later than the earlier of the Maturity Date and such date of redemption. To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any such Class of Notes shall accrue at the applicable Interest Rate for such Class until paid as provided herein. The Income Notes shall not accrue interest at a stated rate but on each Payment Date shall be entitled to distributions solely to the extent of available funds therefor pursuant to Section 8.6.

(b) The principal amount of the Notes of each Class shall be due and payable in accordance with Section 8.6 on the Maturity Date unless the unpaid principal of the Notes becomes due and payable at an earlier date upon a declaration of acceleration in accordance with Section 5.3, redemption in accordance with Section 2.14 or otherwise. If the unpaid principal

amount of the Notes shall become due and payable upon a declaration of acceleration, the Trustee shall make payments in respect of the principal and interest of the Notes as provided in Section 5.8.

(c) The Issuers shall require any certification from Holders necessary to permit the Issuer, the Trustee or any Paying Agent (A) to make payments to the Holders or others, or to receive payments on Eligible Investments or from the Swap Counterparty or others, without, or at a reduced rate of, withholding, (B) to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments made by or on behalf of the Issuer under any present or future law, rule, regulation or interpretation of the United States or the Cayman Islands or of any political subdivision thereof or taxing authority therein or to comply with any reporting or other requirement under any such law or regulation and (C) to comply with any filing, reporting or other requirement under any present or future law, rule, regulation or interpretation of any taxing authority or any political subdivision thereof to avoid the imposition of withholding or deduction of taxes or other charges on payments received by or on behalf of the Issuer, including (i) with respect to a Holder that is a U.S. person for U.S. federal income tax purposes, either a taxpayer identification number or proof of exemption from backup withholding (which shall be deemed satisfied by the delivery of a properly completed and signed Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 (or applicable successor form)) or (ii) with respect to a Holder that is not a U.S. person for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the delivery of a properly completed and signed Internal Revenue Service Form W-8BEN or W-8IMY with appropriate attachments (or in either case the applicable successor form).

(d) Except as otherwise provided herein, payments in respect of interest on and principal of and any other amounts payable, if any, on or in respect of any Note shall be payable by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a United States dollar account maintained at a bank by the Depositary or its nominee with respect to any Global Note and to the Holder or its designee with respect to a definitive Note or a Certificated Income Note shall be payable in accordance with wiring instructions provided to the Trustee or any Paying Agent; provided, that if appropriate instructions for any such wire transfer are not received at least fifteen (15) Business Days prior to the relevant Payment Date, then such payment shall be made by check drawn on a United States bank mailed to the address of the Holder specified in the Securities Register as of the Record Date applicable to such Payment Date. Upon final payment due on the Maturity Date of a Note, the Holder thereof shall present and surrender such Note at the Corporate Trust Office or as otherwise designated by the Trustee for such purpose on or prior to such date; provided, however, that if the Issuers and the Trustee shall have been furnished such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender such Note, then, in the absence of notice to the Issuers or the Trustee that the applicable Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, such final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender. None of the Issuers, the Trustee, any Paying Agent, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, the Swap Counterparty, the Reference Portfolio Manager or any of their respective Affiliates will have any responsibility or liability for any aspects of the records maintained by Euroclear, Clearstream, the Depositary or any of the Participants or Indirect Participants or their respective participants relating to or for payments made thereby on account of beneficial interests in a Global Note.

(e) Except as otherwise provided herein, interest, principal and other amounts, if any, payable in respect of the Securities of any Class on any Payment Date or the Maturity Date or Class Q-2 Maturity Date, as applicable, shall be paid to the Holders of the Securities of such Class as of the related Record Date.

(f) Interest on the Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes, Class B Notes, the Class C-1 Notes and the Class Q-2A Securities shall be computed for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period on the basis of a 360-day year and the actual number of days in such Periodic Interest Accrual Period. Interest on the Class C-2 Notes shall be computed for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

(g) If any Payment Date or the Maturity Date or the Class Q-2 Maturity Date, as applicable, or any other date for the payment of the principal of, or interest on, or any other amount payable on or in respect of, any Security is not a Business Day, then payment need not be made on such date, but shall be made on the next succeeding Business Day with the same force and effect as if made on the nominal date of any such Payment Date or Maturity Date or the Class Q-2 Maturity Date, as applicable, or any other date for the payment of the principal of, or interest on, or any other amount payable on or in respect of, any Security, as the case may be. In the case of the Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes, Class B Notes and Class C-1 Notes and the Class Q-2A Securities, interest shall accrue on such payment for the period from or after any such nominal date to the next succeeding Business Day and be payable on such Business Day as provided in the definitions of Periodic Interest for such Classes, and in the case of the Class C-2 Notes, no interest shall accrue on such payment for the period from and after any such nominal date to the next succeeding Business Day.

(h) Principal of, interest on and all other amounts payable on or in respect of the Notes or pursuant to this Indenture (other than amounts payable on Class Q-2 Securities, which shall be subject to the limited recourse provision in Section 2.17(i)) shall constitute limited recourse obligations of the Issuer and, in the case of the Senior Notes, non-recourse obligations of the Co-Issuer, payable solely from and to the extent of the Trust Estate, and following the liquidation of the Trust Estate and the application of the proceeds thereof as provided herein, all obligations of each of the Issuers and any claims against either of the Issuers shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. Neither of the Issuers, the Swap Counterparty, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, nor any of their respective agents, partners, beneficiaries, officers, directors, employees or any Affiliate of any of them or any of their respective successors or assigns shall be personally liable for any amounts payable, or performance due, under the Notes or this Indenture. It is understood that the foregoing provisions of this paragraph shall not (i) prevent recourse to the Trust Estate for the sums due or to become due under any security, instrument or agreement for which the Trust Estate is security, or (ii) constitute a waiver, release or discharge of any indebtedness or obligation evidenced by the Notes or secured by this Indenture until all items in the Trust Estate have been liquidated and applied to the payment of the obligations, whereupon any outstanding indebtedness or obligation shall be extinguished. It is further understood that the foregoing provisions of this paragraph shall not limit the right of any Person to name the Issuers as parties defendant in any action or suit or in the exercise of any other remedy under the Notes or in this Indenture, so long as no judgment in the nature of a deficiency judgment or seeking personal

liability shall be asked for or (if obtained) enforced against any such Person or entity. The provisions of this Section 2.8(h) shall survive the termination of this Indenture.

(i) For so long as any of the Securities are listed on any stock exchange, to the extent required by the rules of such stock exchange, either of the Issuers or the Trustee shall notify such stock exchange in the event that the Securities do not receive scheduled payments of principal or interest on any Payment Date or the Maturity Date.

(j) Subject to the foregoing provisions of this Section 2.8 and the provisions of Sections 2.6, 2.7, 2.16 and 2.17, as applicable, each Security delivered under this Indenture and upon registration of transfer of or in exchange for or in lieu of any other Security shall carry the rights of unpaid interest, principal and other applicable amounts that were carried by such other Security.

#### SECTION 2.9 Persons Deemed Owners.

Except as may be otherwise expressly agreed, prior to due presentment for registration of transfer of any Note, the Issuers and the Trustee, and any agent of the Issuers or the Trustee, shall treat the Person in whose name any Note is registered as it appears on the Securities Register (with respect to payments only, as of the applicable Record Date) as the owner of such Note for the purpose of receiving payments of principal, interest and distributions on such Note and for all other purposes whatsoever (whether or not such Note is overdue), and none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, or any agent of any of them, shall be affected by notice to the contrary. The Depositary shall be deemed the owner of the Global Notes, and owners of beneficial interests in Global Notes shall not be considered the owners of any Notes for the purpose of receiving notices.

#### SECTION 2.10 Cancellation of Notes.

All Notes surrendered for payment, exchange or registration of transfer shall, if surrendered to any Person other than the Trustee, be delivered to the Trustee and shall be promptly canceled by the Trustee. Either of the Issuers may at any time deliver to the Trustee for cancellation any Notes previously authenticated and delivered hereunder which the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as applicable, may have acquired in any manner whatsoever, and all Notes so delivered shall be promptly canceled by the Trustee. No Notes shall be authenticated in lieu of or in exchange for any Notes canceled as provided in this Section 2.10, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture. All canceled Notes may be held or disposed of by the Trustee in accordance with its standard retention or disposal policy as in effect at the time unless the Issuer shall direct the Trustee that they be returned to the Issuers; provided, however, that such direction is timely and the Notes have not been previously disposed of by the Trustee.

#### SECTION 2.11 Swap Counterparty, Reference Portfolio Manager and Initial Purchaser as Holders.

Without limiting provisions hereof relating to the purchase of any Securities in connection with an Amendment Buy-Out pursuant to Section 9.6 or a Maturity Extension pursuant to Section 2.15 of this Indenture, each of the Swap Counterparty, the Reference Portfolio Manager and the Initial Purchaser and their respective Affiliates, in its individual or

any other capacity, may become an owner of the Securities (provided that such transactions are conducted on an arm's-length basis) and may otherwise deal with the Issuers or their respective Affiliates with the same rights that it would have if it were not the Swap Counterparty, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser or such an Affiliate.

#### SECTION 2.12 Treatment of Senior Notes.

The Issuer and each Holder of a Senior Note or beneficial owner of an interest in a Senior Note, by acquiring any Senior Note or interest therein, (i) expresses its intention that the Senior Notes be treated as evidencing indebtedness, which indebtedness is solely of the Issuer and (ii) unless otherwise required in a final determination by appropriate taxing authorities, agrees to treat the Senior Notes as indebtedness solely of the Issuer, in each case for the purpose of United States federal income taxes, state and local income and franchise taxes and any other taxes imposed upon, measured by or based upon gross or net income.

#### SECTION 2.13 No Gross Up.

The Issuers shall not be obligated to pay any additional amounts to the Holders or the beneficial owners of the Notes as a result of any withholding or deduction for, or on account of, any present or future taxes, duties, assessments or government charges with respect to the Notes.

#### SECTION 2.14 Redemption of Notes.

(a) On each Payment Date following the Ramp-up End Date for which a Coverage Test was not met as of the related Determination Date, principal payments on the Senior Notes will be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

(b) On each Payment Date, principal payments on the Senior Notes will be made in accordance with the Principal Priority of Payments to the extent of any Note Redemption Amounts for such Payment Date.

(c) In the event that any Rating Agency has not confirmed in writing the rating in effect on the Closing Date of any Class of Notes as of the 30<sup>th</sup> day following the Ramp-up End Date, principal payments on the Senior Notes will be made on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments until each such rating is confirmed.

(d) If an Indenture Tax Event has occurred and is continuing, at the direction of Holders of a majority of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Income Notes, the Issuers shall redeem (a "Tax Redemption") the Outstanding Notes on the Payment Date next following receipt of such direction (or, if such direction is received less than 45 Business Days prior to a Payment Date, on the next Payment Date thereafter) by the Trustee (the "Tax Redemption Date"), in the case of the Senior Notes at a price of par plus any accrued and unpaid interest thereon (including any Deferred Interest) to the redemption date; provided that the Swap Counterparty has consented to such redemption in its sole discretion and the Issuers have sufficient funds, after liquidation of Eligible Investments in the Trust Accounts pursuant to Section 8.3, to permit the payment of all Administrative Expenses and Subordinated Administrative Expenses and all Accrued Swap Liabilities as of the Tax Redemption Date and



the repayment in full of the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Classes of Senior Notes then Outstanding and all accrued and unpaid interest (including any Deferred Interest) with respect thereto in accordance with the Priority of Payments and all other amounts ranking senior to the Income Notes payable pursuant to the Priority of Payments. The Issuer shall provide the Rating Agencies and the Investment Agreement Counterparty prior notice of any redemption pursuant to this Section 2.14(d).

(e) After the date that is five and a half years following the Closing Date, at the direction of Holders of at least 66-2/3% in Aggregate Principal Amount of the Income Notes, the Issuers shall redeem (an "Optional Redemption") the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Outstanding Notes, in the case of the Senior Notes at par plus any accrued and unpaid interest (including any Deferred Interest) thereon to the redemption date plus, in the case of the Class C-2 Notes, the applicable Make-whole Premium on the Payment Date next following receipt of such direction by the Trustee (or, if such direction is received less than 45 Business Days prior to a Payment Date, on the next Payment Date thereafter) (the "Optional Redemption Date"); provided that the Issuers shall not so redeem the Notes unless the Issuers will have sufficient funds, after liquidation of Eligible Investments in the Trust Accounts pursuant to Section 8.3, to permit the payment of all Administrative Expenses and Subordinated Administrative Expenses and all Accrued Swap Liabilities as of the Optional Redemption Date (calculated taking into account all accrued and unpaid Base Amount, Subordinate Amount and Incentive Amount for such Optional Redemption Date to the extent provided in the Swap Agreement) and the repayment in full of the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Classes of Senior Notes then Outstanding and all accrued and unpaid interest (including any Deferred Interest) and any applicable Make-whole Premium with respect thereto in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Issuer shall provide the Rating Agencies and the Investment Agreement Counterparty prior notice of any redemption pursuant to this Section 2.14(e).

#### SECTION 2.15 Maturity; Extension of Maturity.

The Maturity Date for each Class of Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities is August 1, 2016, unless extended in accordance with this Section 2.15.

(a) If the Swap Termination Date is extended pursuant to the Swap Agreement, on the Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Date of the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities shall be automatically extended for four years, to August 1, 2020, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Securities or amendment or supplement to this Indenture; provided that the Extension Conditions are satisfied (the "Maturity Extension").

(b) In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes or Class Q-1 Securities wishing to sell such Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to subsection (e) below (such Securities as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, "Extension Sale Securities"). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, each Holder providing an Extension Sale Notice shall be deemed to agree that no Extension Sale Securities of any Holder shall be purchased unless all Extension Sale Securities of all Holders are purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the Extension Effective Date and the other Extension Conditions are satisfied as of such date.

(c) Extension Conditions. The Maturity Extension shall be effective only if the following conditions (the “Extension Conditions”) are satisfied:

(i) The purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the Extension Effective Date;

(ii) All such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions in this Indenture (including, without limitation, the restriction that such Securities may not be purchased (x) in the case of the Class Q-1 Securities by any Person that is a Benefit Plan Investor and (y) in the case of the Income Notes, if Holders of the Income Notes that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors would own 25% or more of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Income Notes (excluding Income Notes in the form of the Class Q-1 Income Note Component, Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A and Income Notes held by Controlling Persons) immediately after such purchase and the legends on such Securities and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency); and

(iii) (a) Rating Confirmation has been obtained from S&P (so long as any Securities are then rated by S&P) (which confirmation shall be based on S&P’s applicable rating criteria and models pursuant to which the applicable Securities were rated by S&P as of the Closing Date) and (b) either (i) all Coverage Tests and clauses 17, 18 and 22 of the Reference Portfolio Criteria are satisfied as of the Extension Determination Date and the rating of each Class of Senior Notes by Moody’s has not been downgraded, withdrawn or qualified from that in effect on the Closing Date (unless it subsequently has been reinstated to the rating assigned on the Closing Date) or (ii) Rating Confirmation has been obtained from Moody’s (so long as any Securities are then rated by Moody’s).

The Issuer, the Trustee and, by its acceptance of the Securities, each Holder of Securities agrees that the Swap Counterparty shall not be responsible for causing the Extension Conditions to be satisfied and shall not be liable to any such Person or Holder of Securities (whether or not such Holder gave an Extension Sale Notice with respect to its Securities) or to any other Person if the Extension Conditions are not satisfied. Failure of the Extension Conditions to be satisfied shall not constitute a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture or a Swap Event of Default.

(d) Extension Procedure.

(i) No later than three (3) Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Swap Counterparty of the Swap Counterparty’s election to extend the Swap Termination Date (the “Extension Notice”), the Trustee shall mail the Extension Notice to all Holders of Securities and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Securities are Outstanding), in the form of Exhibit N, and shall request Rating Confirmation for the Maturity Extension from S&P, if applicable;

(ii) Any Holder of Securities may give irrevocable notice (an “Extension Sale Notice”) within 30 days after the Trustee has mailed the Extension Notice (the “Extension Sale Notice Period”) of its intention to sell its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of Securities that has not given such an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be entitled to sell its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension; and

(iii) If clause (iii)(b)(i) of the Extension Conditions is not satisfied as of the Extension Determination Date as determined by the Issuer (or its agent), the Trustee shall request Rating Confirmation from Moody’s, if applicable.

(e) On the Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or its agent) shall confirm (i) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Securities in compliance with all transfer restrictions in this Indenture and the legends on such Securities and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (ii) whether the requirements of clause (c)(iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the Extension Determination Date and (iii) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the Extension Effective Date.

(f) On the Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension shall automatically become effective under the terms of this Indenture, provided that all Extension Conditions set forth in clause (c) above are satisfied. No later than 2 Business Days after the Extension Effective Date, the Trustee, at the expense of the Issuers, shall mail a notice to all Holders of Securities, the Swap Counterparty, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Investment Agreement Counterparty, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Securities are Outstanding) and the Irish Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class of Securities is listed thereon) confirming whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension became effective, the Issuer shall make any required notifications thereof to the Depositary for any Securities subject to the Maturity Extension.

(g) In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Holder of Senior Notes (including in the form of the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component) other than Extension Sale Securities shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment. Holders of Income Notes shall not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

The Extension Bonus Payment on any such Class of Senior Notes shall be payable to any applicable qualifying beneficial owners who have provided the Trustee with an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification, on the first Payment Date from and including the Extension Effective Date on which funds are available to be used for such purposes in accordance with Section 8.6, but in any event, no later than the earlier of the Maturity Date and the date of redemption of such Notes. Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with Section 8.6 on a Payment Date shall not be considered “due and payable” hereunder. The failure to pay any such Extension Bonus Payment

on such date shall not be an Event of Default, unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Maturity Date and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Securities. Unpaid Extension Bonus Payments shall not accrue interest. Such amounts shall be paid to the accounts designated in the applicable Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification or, to the extent otherwise required by the rules of any applicable securities exchange or clearing agency, in a manner determined by the Issuer.

#### SECTION 2.16 Class Q-1 Securities.

The provisions of this Section 2.16 shall apply only to the Class Q-1 Securities and shall override any contrary or inconsistent provisions of this Indenture. Subject to the foregoing sentence, the other provisions of Article II shall apply to the Class Q-1 Securities to the same extent as the Notes.

(a) In addition to the Classes of Notes set forth in Section 2.3, the Issuer will issue the Class Q-1 Extendable Securities (the “Class Q-1 Securities”). The maximum initial stated amount of the Class Q-1 Securities that may be executed and delivered under this Indenture is limited to U.S.\$ 10,000,000. The Aggregate Principal Amounts of the Components of the Class Q-1 Securities are included in, and are not in addition to, the Aggregate Principal Amounts of the Class C-2 Notes and the Income Notes as set forth in Section 2.3.

(b) All Class Q-1 Securities initially sold in the United States or to U.S. Persons pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act will be issued and may be transferred in the form of certificates (each a “Certificated Class Q-1 Security”) in definitive, physical certificates in fully registered form, registered in the name of the beneficial owner thereof or its nominee and in the form of Exhibit Q-1 Certificated hereto. All Class Q-1 Securities initially sold to non-U.S. Persons (as defined in Regulation S) in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S will be issued in the form of a temporary global security (the “Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Security”) in the form of Exhibit Q-1 Temp Reg S, and on or after the Exchange Date, shall be exchangeable for interests in a permanent global security (a “Class Q-1 Reg S Global Security”) in the form of Exhibit Q-1 Reg S, subject to the provisions of Sections 2.2, 2.5 and 2.6 to the same extent as other Temporary Regulation S Global Notes and Regulation S Global Notes (but subject to clause (c) below with respect to transfers of any interest therein). Class Q-1 Securities shall only be issued and held in minimum denominations (an “Authorized Class Q-1 Denomination”) such that the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component and the Class Q-1 Income Note Component thereof is in an Authorized Denomination, which shall mean that the Authorized Class Q-1 Denomination shall be \$1,000,000 in stated amount (consisting of \$500,000 Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component and \$500,000 Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class Q-1 Income Note Component).

(c) No transfer of a Class Q-1 Security will be permitted to a person that would not be permitted to acquire the Class C-2 Notes and Income Notes comprising the Components of the Class Q-1 Security under this Indenture.

(i) Certificated Class Q-1 Security to Certificated Class Q-1 Security. Each purchaser or transferee of a Certificated Class Q-1 Security will be required to provide to the Trustee a properly completed certificate in the form of Exhibit Q-1

Certificated Transfer Letter. If a Holder of a Certificated Class Q-1 Security wishes at any time to transfer such Certificated Class Q-1 Security, such Holder may transfer or cause the transfer of such Certificated Class Q-1 Security as follows: Upon receipt by the Registrar of (A) such Holder's Certificated Class Q-1 Security properly endorsed for assignment to the transferee and (B) a properly completed certificate by the transferee in the form of Exhibit Q-1 Certificated Transfer Letter, and any other documentation as may be required thereunder, the Trustee will cancel such Certificated Class Q-1 Security in accordance with this Indenture, cause the Registrar to record the transfer in the Securities Register and, upon execution by the Issuer, deliver to the transferee one or more Certificated Class Q-1 Securities in the aggregate stated amount transferred and in the Authorized Class Q-1 Denomination. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, no purchase or proposed transfer of Class Q-1 Securities will be permitted, and the Trustee shall not register or permit the registration of any such purchase or transfer, to a Person that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor. Any purported transfer in violation of this provision shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(ii) Class Q-1 Reg S Global Security to Certificated Class Q-1 Security. If a holder of a beneficial interest in Class Q-1 Securities in the form of a Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Security or Class Q-1 Reg S Global Security wishes at any time to transfer its interest in such Security, the transferee must take delivery thereof in the form of a Certificated Class Q-1 Security. Such Holder may, subject to the rules and procedures of the Depository, transfer or cause the transfer of such interest for an equivalent interest in one or more such Certificated Class Q-1 Securities as described below. Upon receipt by the Registrar of (A) instructions given in accordance with the Applicable Procedures from a Participant, directing the Registrar to deliver one or more such Certificated Class Q-1 Securities, designating the registered name or names, address, payment instructions, and the number and stated amount (and Aggregate Principal Amount of the related Components) of such Certificated Class Q-1 Securities to be executed and delivered (the aggregate stated amount of such Certificated Class Q-1 Notes being equal to the aggregate stated amount of the interest in the Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Security or Class Q-1 Reg S Global Security to be transferred), in Authorized Class Q-1 Denominations and (B) a properly completed certificate by the transferee in the form of Exhibit Q-1 Certificated Transfer Letter, and any other documentation as may be required thereunder, then the Registrar will instruct the Depository to reduce, or cause to be reduced, the applicable Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Security or Class Q-1 Reg S Global Security by the aggregate stated amount of the beneficial interest in such Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Security or Class Q-1 Reg S Global Security to be transferred and the Registrar shall record the transfer in the Securities Register and authenticate and deliver one or more Certificated Class Q-1 Securities registered in the names specified in the certificate described in clause (B) above in the stated amount designated by the transferee (the aggregate of such stated amount being equal to the beneficial interest in the Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Securities or Class Q-1 Reg S Global Securities to be transferred) and in the applicable Authorized Class Q-1 Denomination. Any purported transfer in violation of this provision shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(iii) No Transfer to Class Q-1 Reg S Global Security. Certificated Class Q-1 Securities may not be transferred or exchanged for Class Q-1 Securities in the form of Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Securities or Class Q-1 Reg S Global Securities.

(d) Except as otherwise provided herein, the rights and obligations of Holders of the Class Q-1 Securities shall consist solely of the rights and obligations of Holders of the applicable Components. References herein to the rights and obligations of the Holders of Class C-2 Notes, Class C Notes or Income Notes include the rights and obligations of the Holders of Class Q-1 Securities to the extent of the applicable Components.

(i) On each date on which payments are made with respect to the Class C-2 Notes or Income Notes, a portion of such payment or distribution shall be allocated to the Class Q-1 Securities in the proportion that the Aggregate Principal Amount of Notes comprising the applicable Component thereof bears to the Aggregate Principal Amount of the related Class of Notes as a whole (including the related Components) and in accordance with the applicable terms and conditions hereof. No other amounts shall be payable in respect of the Class Q-1 Securities.

(ii) The Holders of Class Q-1 Securities will be entitled to voting rights based on the voting rights of the respective underlying Class C-2 Notes or Income Notes related to any applicable Component in the proportion that the Aggregate Principal Amount of such Class C-2 Notes or Income Notes bears to the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Class C-2 Notes or Income Notes (including such Component), as applicable. Except as expressly provided herein, the Holders of the Class Q-1 Securities shall not be entitled to voting rights as a separate class. Additionally, the Holders of Class Q-1 Securities shall not be entitled to direct the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture except in the capacity as Holders of Class C-2 Notes or Income Notes to the extent of their interest in any applicable Component.

(e) A Holder of a Class Q-1 Security may exchange all or a proportionate amount of each Component for proportionate interests in the Class C-2 Notes and Income Notes, as applicable, that comprise such Components, subject to the Authorized Denominations for the Notes and the Authorized Class Q-1 Denomination and, in the manner provided in Sections 2.2, 2.5 and 2.6 hereof, in the case of the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component, for transfer of beneficial interests to a Rule 144A Global Note, Regulation S Global Note or Temporary Regulation S Global Note, and in the case of the Class Q-1 Income Note Component, for transfer of a Certificated Income Note. The Trustee, upon surrender of a Certificated Class Q-1 Security for such an exchange, shall simultaneously convert the constituent Components into the Class C-2 Notes and Income Notes comprising such Components, as applicable, and effect such exchange. Thereafter, the Holder of the Class Q-1 Security so exchanged will be the Holder of an interest in the Class C-2 Notes and the Income Notes received upon such an exchange. No Holder of Class C-2 Notes or Income Notes (including following such an exchange) will be entitled to exchange such Notes for a Class Q-1 Security. No service charge shall be made for any such exchange of Class Q-1 Securities, but the Issuer or the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with such exchange. Each Holder of a Class Q-1 Security, by its acceptance thereof, acknowledges that upon any such exchange, the rating of such Class Q-1 Security by any Rating Agency may not apply to the

Securities received in such exchange. Upon the exchange of all outstanding Class Q-1 Securities pursuant to this provision, the Issuer will notify each Rating Agency then rating the Class Q-1 Securities.

(f) The Class Q-1 Nominal Rate is the rate per annum at which interest is stated to be payable on the Class Q-1 Securities solely for purposes of calculating the Class Q-1 Nominal Principal, and does not limit the entitlement of Holders of the Class Q-2 Securities to receive Class Q-1 Excess Distributions.

Each Holder of a Class Q-1 Security, by its acquisition thereof, acknowledges that the rating of the Class Q-1 Securities by Moody's addresses solely the return of the Class Q-1 Rated Principal.

(g) For purposes of Section 2.12, references to "Senior Notes" shall, with respect to the Class Q-1 Securities, be deemed to refer only to the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component.

(h) If a Responsible Officer of the Trustee has actual knowledge that (i) a transfer or attempted or purported transfer of any interest in any Class Q-1 Security was consummated in violation of this Indenture or on the basis of a materially incorrect certification from the transferee or purported transferee, (ii) the transferee or the purported transferee failed to deliver to the Trustee the certificate in the form of Exhibit Q-1 Certificated Transfer Letter or other purchaser letter or certificate or any other documentation required to be delivered thereunder or hereunder or (iii) the transferee or purported transferee is in material breach of any representation or agreement set forth in the certificate in the form of Exhibit Q-1 Certificated Transfer Letter or other purchaser letter or certificate or in this Indenture, the Trustee will not register such attempted or purported transfer. If any such transfer has been registered, such transfer shall be absolutely null and void *ab initio* and shall vest no rights in the purported transferee (such purported transferee, a "Disqualified Transferee") and the last preceding owner that was not a Disqualified Transferee shall be restored to all rights as a owner thereof retroactively to the date of purported transfer of such Class Q-1 Security by such owner. In furtherance of the foregoing, the Issuer shall be entitled to demand that a transferee of a Class Q-1 Security that (i) acquired an interest in a Class Q-1 Security in reliance on Rule 144A but is not a Qualified Purchaser and a Qualified Institutional Buyer, or (ii) acquired an interest in a Class Q-1 Security in reliance on Regulation S but is determined not to have acquired such interest in compliance with Regulation S or is a U.S. Person sell such Class Q-1 Securities to a purchaser qualified under this Indenture to purchase such Class Q-1 Securities and if the transferee does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may sell or cause such transferee to sell such interest of the transferee in the Class Q-1 Security to a permitted transferee under this Indenture on such terms as the Issuer may choose.

#### SECTION 2.17 Class Q-2 Securities.

The provisions of this Section 2.17 shall apply only to the Class Q-2 Securities and shall override any contrary or inconsistent provisions of this Indenture. Subject to the foregoing sentence, the other provisions of Article II shall apply to the Class Q-2 Securities to the same extent as the Notes.

(a) Authorized Amount; Maturity Date; Denomination.

In addition to the Classes of Notes set forth in Section 2.3 and the Class Q-1 Securities set forth in Section 2.16, the Issuer will issue Class Q-2A Securities and Class Q-2B Securities (collectively, the “Class Q-2 Securities”). The maximum Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class Q-2A Securities and the Class Q-2B Securities that may be executed, authenticated and delivered under this Indenture is limited to U.S. \$7,200,000 and U.S. \$40,000,000, respectively. The maturity date for the Class Q-2 Securities (the “Class Q-2 Maturity Date”) is April 28, 2034. The Class Q-2A Securities will be issuable and transferable in minimum denominations of U.S.\$500,000 and integral multiples of U.S. \$1,000 in excess thereof. The Class Q-2B Securities will be issuable and transferable in minimum denominations of U.S.\$1,000,000 and integral multiples of U.S. \$1,000 in excess thereof.

(b) Form of Class Q-2 Securities.

All Class Q-2 Securities shall be issued in the form of certificated securities (each a “Certificated Class Q-2 Security”) in definitive, physical certificates in fully registered form without interest coupons with the applicable legends set forth in the form of Exhibit Certificated Class Q-2A and Exhibit Certificated Class Q-2B hereto, as appropriate, which shall be registered in the name of the beneficial owner or a nominee thereof, duly executed by the Issuer and authenticated by the Trustee as provided in Article II of this Indenture.

(c) Payments on the Class Q-2 Securities.

(i) The Class Q-2A Securities shall accrue interest on the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof during each Periodic Interest Accrual Period at a rate equal to LIBOR plus 0.50% per annum (the “Class Q-2A Interest Rate”). Subject to the availability of funds in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account and to clause (d) below, payments of interest shall be paid on the Class Q-2A Securities on each Payment Date through and including the Class Q-2 Maturity Date (or, if earlier, the date of redemption or repayment in full of the Class Q-2A Securities). In the event that the principal of the Class Q-2A Securities is not paid in full on the Class Q-2 Maturity Date, no interest will accrue on the unpaid principal amount thereof subsequent to the Class Q-2 Maturity Date. Any payment of interest due on Class Q-2A Securities which is not available to be paid (“Class Q-2A Deferred Interest”) in accordance with clause (d) on any Payment Date shall not be considered “due and payable” hereunder and the failure to pay such interest shall not be a Class Q-2 Event of Default. Class Q-2A Deferred Interest shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for such purposes in accordance with clause (d) below. To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Class Q-2A Deferred Interest shall accrue at the applicable Class Q-2A Interest Rate until paid as provided herein.

(ii) The Class Q-2B Securities shall not accrue interest at a stated rate but on each Payment Date shall be entitled to distributions solely to the extent of available funds therefor pursuant to clause (d) below.



(iii) The Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class Q-2A Securities shall be due and payable in accordance with clause (d) below on the Class Q-2 Maturity Date unless paid earlier as provided pursuant to clause (d) below.

(d) Class Q-2 Priority of Payments.

(i) Class Q-2 Payment Date Priority of Payments. On each Payment Date, the Trustee shall distribute the Class Q-2 Payment Date Proceeds in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account to make the following payments in the following order of priority (the “Class Q-2 Payment Date Priority of Payments”):

(A) to the Holders of the Class Q-2A Securities, the Class Q-2A Interest Amount;

(B) to the Holders of the Class Q-2A Securities, any Class Q-2A Deferred Interest;

(C) to the Holders of the Class Q-2A Securities, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class Q-2A Securities; and

(D) the remainder to the Holders of the Class Q-2B Securities (the “Net Class Q-2B Periodic Return Amount”).

(ii) Class Q-2B Target Amount. On each Payment Date, the Trustee shall distribute from Class Q-2 Gross Proceeds other than the Class Q-2 Payment Date Proceeds to the Holder of Class Q-2B Securities the Class Q-2B Target Amount, if any, for such date.

(iii) Class Q-2 Maturity Date Priority of Payments. On the Class Q-2 Maturity Date, the Trustee will distribute any Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B Proceeds and any other amounts on deposit in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account to make the following payments in the following order of priority (the “Class Q-2 Maturity Date Priority of Payments”):

(A) to the Holders of the Class Q-2A Securities, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class Q-2A Securities, any accrued and unpaid Class Q-2A Interest Amount and any Class Q-2A Deferred Interest; provided that no more than \$7,200,000 shall be payable pursuant to this clause (A) from Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B Proceeds; and

(B) the remainder to the Holders of the Class Q-2B Securities (the “Final Class Q-2B Distribution Amount”).

(e) Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account.

(i) The Trustee shall, on or prior to the Closing Date, establish a segregated trust account in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Holders of Class Q-2 Securities, which shall be designated as the Valhalla CLO, Ltd. – Class Q-2

Securities Collateral Account (the “Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account”). All moneys credited from time to time to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral and shall be applied for the purposes provided herein.

(ii) On the Closing Date, the Issuer shall cause to be Delivered to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account (i) the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A and (ii) the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B.

(iii) Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, the Trustee shall deposit into the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account promptly upon receipt from time to time, all proceeds from the Class Q-2 Collateral Assets, including, without limitation, distributions on the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A and any proceeds from the sale, redemption or maturity of all or portions of the Class Q-2 Collateral Assets.

(iv) The Trustee shall have the right to establish such subaccounts within the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account as the Trustee may deem necessary or appropriate for convenience in administering the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral.

(v) The Trustee shall invest moneys held from time to time in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account in one or more Eligible Investments pursuant to the following sentence, if the Class Q-2A Securities are then Outstanding, and otherwise pursuant to the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Class Q-2B Securities (which may be in the form of standing instructions). If the Class Q-2A Securities are then Outstanding, or if the Trustee does not receive such written directions within three days of receipt of uninvested moneys (whether by reason of a new deposit of moneys or payments in respect of, or realized upon the maturity of, existing Eligible Investments), the Trustee shall invest such moneys in the JPMorgan Fleming US Dollar Liquidity Fund 6052, provided such fund then meets the requirements of the definition of Eligible Investments, and if such fund then does not meet such requirement, an Eligible Investment that meets the requirements of clause (a) of the definition of Eligible Investments; provided further, that any Eligible Investment in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account shall be required to mature on or before the Business Day prior to the next Payment Date. Each Eligible Investment (other than any Eligible Investment constituting a general intangible, a deposit account or an account) made using money credited to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account shall be credited to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account, and any income or other gain therefrom shall be credited to, and any loss resulting therefrom shall be charged to, the same Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account. Any Eligible Investments constituting general intangibles, deposit accounts and accounts shall be Delivered to the Trustee. The Trustee shall not be liable by reason of any investment loss realized in connection with any Eligible Investment.

(vi) Section 8.5 shall be applicable to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account with references to a “Trust Account” thereunder being deemed to refer to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account.

(f) Rights with respect to the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A.

(i) With respect to any matter under this Indenture as to which the Holders of Income Notes are entitled to vote or give any consent or direction, the Trustee shall follow the direction of the Holders of a majority of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class Q-2B Securities for purposes of voting or giving such consent or direction for the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A. The Holders of Class Q-2 Securities shall not otherwise be entitled to direct the Trustee with respect to the Trust Estate pursuant to this Indenture.

(ii) If as a result of any action pursuant to clause (i) the Holder of the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A would constitute a Non-consenting Holder, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser will be entitled to purchase the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A in accordance with Section 9.6 hereof, and the proceeds of such purchase shall be credited to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account for distribution on the next succeeding Payment Date pursuant to subsection (d) above. The Class Q-2 Securities themselves shall not be subject to an Amendment Buy-Out pursuant to Section 9.6.

(iii) Without limiting clause (i), in the case of the Maturity Extension, if any, pursuant to Section 2.15, the Holders of a majority of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class Q-2B Securities shall be entitled to direct the Trustee to provide an Extension Sale Notice with respect to the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A. Any proceeds from an Extension Sale with respect to the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A shall be credited to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account for distribution on the applicable Payment Date pursuant to subsection (d) above.

(g) Liquidation of Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A.

If the Class Q-2A Coverage Test is not satisfied on any date of determination (as determined by the Trustee in consultation with the Swap Counterparty or an affiliate of the Swap Counterparty designated by the Swap Counterparty) following the Closing Date, at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Class Q-2A Securities, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to liquidate the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A and credit the proceeds thereof to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account for distribution in accordance with clause (d) above upon receipt of such proceeds as though the date of receipt thereof were a Payment Date.

(h) Exchange of Class Q-2B Securities.

On any Business Day on and after the date on which the Class Q-2A Securities are redeemed or repaid in full, any Holder of a Class Q-2B Security may exchange all but not less than all of its Class Q-2B Securities for its applicable pro rata share of the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A (subject to the provisions of 2.6(i)(A) regarding acquiring Income Notes in the form of a Certificated Income Note) and the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B (subject to any restrictions on transfer with respect thereto) and any proceeds thereof in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account. The Trustee, upon surrender of a Certificated Class Q-2B Security by a

Holder for such an exchange, shall simultaneously convert the applicable portion of the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A into Certificated Income Notes and transfer the applicable portion of the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B to such Holder in accordance with standard settlement procedures for assets of that type and effect such exchange. Thereafter, the Holder of the Class Q-2B Security so exchanged will be the Holder of the Income Notes received upon such an exchange for purposes of this Indenture. No Holder of Income Notes (including following such an exchange) or CGMHI Notes will be entitled to exchange any such notes for a Class Q-2B Security. No service charge shall be made for any such exchange of Class Q-2B Securities, but the Issuer or the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with such exchange.

(i) Limited Recourse.

Principal of, interest on and all other amounts payable on or in respect of the Class Q-2 Securities shall constitute limited recourse obligations of the Issuer and be payable solely from and to the extent of the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral, and following the liquidation of the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral and the application of the proceeds thereof as provided herein, all obligations of the Issuer and any claims against the Issuer shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. Neither of the Issuers, the Swap Counterparty, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, nor any of their respective agents, partners, beneficiaries, officers, directors, employees or any Affiliate of any of them or any of their respective successors or assigns shall be personally liable for any amounts payable, or performance due, under the Class Q-2 Securities or this Indenture. It is understood that the foregoing provisions of this paragraph shall not (i) prevent recourse to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral for the sums due or to become due under any security, instrument or agreement for which the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral is security, or (ii) constitute a waiver, release or discharge of any indebtedness or obligation evidenced by the Class Q-2 Securities or secured by this Indenture until all items in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral have been liquidated and applied to the payment of the obligations, whereupon any outstanding indebtedness or obligation shall be extinguished. It is further understood that the foregoing provisions of this paragraph shall not limit the right of any Person to name the Issuers as parties defendant in any action or suit or in the exercise of any other remedy under the Class Q-2 Securities or in this Indenture, so long as no judgment in the nature of a deficiency judgment or seeking personal liability shall be asked for or (if obtained) enforced against any such Person or entity. The provisions of this Section 2.17(i) shall survive the termination of this Indenture.

(j) Transfer of Class Q-2 Securities.

(i) Each purchaser or transferee of a Certificated Class Q-2 Security will be required to provide to the Trustee a properly completed certificate in the form of Exhibit Q-2A Certificated Transferee Letter or in the form of Exhibit Q-2B Certificated Transferee Letter, as applicable. Certificated Class Q-2B Securities may only be purchased by or transferred to a Person that is not a U.S. Person in a transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S and that is an “eligible contract participant” as defined in Section 1a(12) of the U.S. Commodity Exchange Act.

(ii) If a Holder of a Certificated Class Q-2 Security wishes at any time to transfer such Certificated Class Q-2 Security, such Holder may transfer or cause the transfer of such Certificated Class Q-2 Security as follows: Upon receipt by the Registrar of (A) such Holder's Certificated Class Q-2 Security properly endorsed for assignment to the transferee and (B) a properly completed certificate by the transferee in the form of Exhibit Q-2A Certificated Transferee Letter or Exhibit Q-2B Certificated Transferee Letter, as applicable, and any other documentation as may be required thereunder, the Trustee will cancel such Certificated Class Q-2 Security in accordance with this Indenture, cause the Registrar to record the transfer in the Securities Register and, upon execution by the Issuer, deliver to the transferee one or more Certificated Class Q-2 Securities in the aggregate stated amount transferred and in the applicable authorized denomination. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, no purchase or proposed transfer of Class Q-2B Securities will be permitted, and the Trustee shall not register or permit the registration of any such purchase or transfer, to a Person that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor. Any purported transfer in violation of this provision shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(iii) No transfer of a Class Q-2B Security will be permitted to a person that would not be permitted to acquire the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A under this Indenture.

(iv) If a Responsible Officer of the Trustee has actual knowledge that (i) a transfer or attempted or purported transfer of any interest in any Class Q-2 Security was consummated in violation of this Indenture or on the basis of a materially incorrect certification from the transferee or purported transferee, (ii) the transferee or the purported transferee failed to deliver to the Trustee the certificate in the form of Exhibit Q-2A Certificated Transferee Letter or Exhibit Q-2B Certificated Transferee Letter, as applicable, or any other documentation required to be delivered thereunder or hereunder or (iii) the transferee or purported transferee is in material breach of any representation or agreement set forth in the certificate in the form of Exhibit Q-2 Certificated Transferee Letter or Exhibit Q-2 Certificated Transferee Letter, as applicable, or in this Indenture, the Trustee will not register such attempted or purported transfer. If any such transfer has been registered, such transfer shall be absolutely null and void *ab initio* and shall vest no rights in the purported transferee (such purported transferee, a "Disqualified Transferee") and the last preceding owner that was not a Disqualified Transferee shall be restored to all rights as a owner thereof retroactively to the date of purported transfer of such Class Q-2 Security by such owner. In furtherance of the foregoing, the Issuer shall be entitled to demand that (i) a transferee of a Class Q-2A Security that acquired an interest in a Class Q-2A Security in reliance on Rule 144A but is not a Qualified Purchaser and a Qualified Institutional Buyer, or (ii) a transferee of a Class Q-2A Security or Class Q-2B Security that acquired an interest in such Class Q-2 Security in reliance on Regulation S but is determined not to have acquired such interest in compliance with Regulation S or is a U.S. Person sell such Class Q-2 Securities to a purchaser qualified under this Indenture to purchase such Class Q-2 Securities and if the transferee does not comply with such demand within 30 days thereof, the Issuer may sell or cause such transferee to sell such interest of the transferee in the Class Q-2 Security to a permitted transferee under this Indenture on such terms as the Issuer may choose.

(k) Prior to the issuance of the Class Q-2 Securities pursuant to this Indenture, the Trustee shall, in addition to the other conditions precedent set forth in this Indenture, have received:

(i) The Grant pursuant to the granting clause hereof of all of the Issuer's right, title and interest in and to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral securing the Class Q-2 Securities and delivery of such Class Q-2 Securities Collateral to the Trustee or its nominee, which, if any Class Q-2 Collateral is held through an intermediary shall be deemed to have occurred upon receipt of evidence satisfactory to the Trustee that on or before the Closing Date, the Issuer shall have purchased or entered into agreements to purchase such Class Q-2 Securities Collateral and that such Class Q-2 Securities Collateral has been credited by the Securities Intermediary to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account.

(ii) A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect of Section 3.2(b) with respect to each Class Q-2 Collateral Asset pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral.

(l) Section 3.3 shall be applicable to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral (including Eligible Investments on deposit in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account) and the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account; provided, that references to (x) Pledged Securities shall be to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral other than the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account and (y) Trust Account shall be to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account.

(m) Class Q-2 Events of Default.

(i) For the purposes of this Indenture, a "Class Q-2 Event of Default" wherever used herein, means any one of the following events (whatever the reason for such Class Q-2 Event of Default, and whether it shall be voluntary or involuntary or be effected by operation of law or pursuant to any judgment, decree or order of any court or any order, rule or regulation of any administrative or governmental body):

(A) a default in the payment, when due and payable, of any Periodic Interest on the Class Q-2A Securities, which default shall continue for a period of five days (provided that the failure to pay Periodic Interest on the Class Q-2A Securities because insufficient funds are available in accordance with the Class Q-2 Priority of Payments will not constitute a Class Q-2 Event of Default);

(B) a default in the payment of principal of any Class Q-2 Security on the Maturity Date; provided that, in the case of a default in such payment due solely to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee or any Paying Agent, such default continues for a period of five days;

(C) a failure to apply, within five days following any Payment Date or Class Q-2 Maturity Date, available amounts in accordance with Section 2.17(d) or a default in payment solely due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, which default continues for a period of five days;

(D) either of the Issuers or the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral becomes an investment company required to be registered under the Investment Company Act;

(E) except as otherwise provided in this Section 2.17(m), a default in any respect in the performance, or a breach of any covenant, warranty or other agreement of the Issuers in this Indenture, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Issuers made in this Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant hereto or in connection herewith to be correct in all respects when the same shall have been made, which default, breach or failure would have a material adverse effect on the Holders of the Class Q-2 Securities and continuance of such default, breach or failure for a period of 30 calendar days after written notice shall have been given to the Issuers by the Trustee or to the Issuers and the Trustee by the Class Q-2 Requisite Securityholders specifying such default, breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that such notice is a "Notice of Default" hereunder; and

(F) an Event of Default pursuant to 5.1(h) or (i) has occurred.

(ii) Acceleration of Maturity; Rescission and Annulment.

(A) If a Class Q-2 Event of Default (other than a Class Q-2 Event of Default specified in clause (i)(D) or (F) hereof) occurs and is continuing, the Trustee shall, at the written direction of Class Q-2 Requisite Securityholders, declare the principal of and any accrued interest on the Class Q-2A Securities to be immediately due and payable, by a notice in writing to the Issuers and the Swap Counterparty, with a copy to the Rating Agencies, and the Reference Portfolio Manager. In the absence of any such written direction, the Trustee shall take no action. If a Class Q-2 Event of Default of the type described in clause (i)(D) or (F) occurs, the principal of and accrued interest on the Class Q-2A Securities automatically shall become immediately due and payable without any action of the Trustee or any other Person.

(B) At any time after such a declaration of acceleration of maturity has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the amounts due has been obtained by the Trustee as provided in this clause (m), the Class Q-2 Requisite Securityholders, may rescind and annul such declaration and its consequences by written notice to the Trustee and the Issuers, if (a) the Issuer has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay (x) all overdue amounts payable on or in respect of the Class Q-2 Securities (other than amounts due solely as a result of the acceleration); (y) to the extent that payment of interest on such amount is lawful, interest on such overdue amounts at the Class Q-2A Interest Rate (in the case of the Class Q-2A Securities); and (z) (i) the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursement and advances of the Trustee, its agents and counsel in connection with such Class Q-2 Event of Default and (ii) unpaid Class Q-2 Administrative Expenses, and (b) the Trustee has determined that all Class Q-2 Events of Default, other than the nonpayment of such amount that has become due solely by such acceleration, have been cured, and the Class Q-2 Requisite Securityholders by written notice to the Trustee have agreed with such determination (which agreement shall not unreasonably be withheld), or waived as provided in Section 5.15.

(C) No such rescission shall affect any subsequent Class Q-2 Event of Default or impair any rights consequent thereon.

(iii) Priority of Payment on Acceleration

Upon the acceleration of the Class Q-2A Securities (whether or not the Trustee sells or liquidates the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral), the moneys in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account will thereafter be applied in accordance with the Class Q-2 Priority of Payments pursuant to Section 2.17(d).

Upon the acceleration of the Class Q-2A Securities, if the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral has not been sold or liquidated, the funds in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account, if any, will be applied in accordance with the Class Q-2 Priority of Payments pursuant to Section 2.17(d) on each Payment Date. If the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral is sold or liquidated, a final distribution will be made pursuant thereto on the first Business Day following the last day on which an item of the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral is sold or liquidated (and no interim distributions will be made on any date (including on any Payment Date) during the sale or liquidation process).

The Trustee may fix a record date and payment date for any payment to Holders of Class Q-2 Securities pursuant to this Section 2.17(m)(iii). At least fifteen (15) days before such record date, the Trustee shall mail to each Holder of a Class Q-2 Security a notice that states the record date, the payment date and the amount to be paid.

(iv) Remedies. The provision of Sections 5.4, 5.5, 5.6, 5.7, 5.9, 5.10, 5.11, 5.12, 5.13, 5.14, 5.15, 5.16, 5.17, 5.18 and 5.20 with the following modifications shall be applicable solely with respect to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral and the Class Q-2 Securities: (A) references to (1) the Trust Estate shall be to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral, (2) Event of Default shall be to Class Q-2 Event of Default, (3) the Collection Account shall be to cash in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account; (4) Sections 5.8 and 8.6 with respect to a Class Q-2 Event of Default shall be to Section 2.17(d), (5) Secured Parties shall be to the Holders of Class Q-2 Securities, (6) Requisite Noteholders shall be to Class Q-2 Requisite Securityholders; and the most senior Class of Notes shall be to the Class Q-2A Securities so long as any Class Q-2A Securities are Outstanding and thereafter to the Class Q-2B Securities, (7) the Notes shall be to the Class Q-2 Securities, (8) Noteholders shall be to the Holders of Class Q-2 Securities, (9) the Maturity Date shall be to the Class Q-2 Maturity Date, (10) the Senior Notes shall be to the Class Q-2A Securities, (11) the Income Notes shall be to the Class Q-2B Securities and (12) the Swap Counterparty (except in Section 5.20(b)), Swap Agreement, Accrued Swap Liabilities, Swap Event of Default, Base Amount and Subordinate Amount shall be disregarded and "other Secured Party" shall be disregarded; (B) (1) the reference in Section 5.5(a)(i) to Administrative Expenses shall be to Class Q-2 Administrative Expense, (2) Section 5.5(a)(ii) shall not be applicable, and (3) Section 5.5(a)(iii) shall be replaced with "the Class Q-2 Requisite Securityholders direct the Trustee at any time following the acceleration of the Class Q-2 Securities to sell or liquidate the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral"; and (C) the second sentence of Section 5.5(c) shall not be applicable.



Nothing in this provision shall affect the rights of the Holders of Notes pursuant to Article V of this Indenture. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, no Holder of Class Q-2 Securities will be entitled (i) to direct the Trustee or exercise any right or remedy or bring any proceeding with respect to the Trust Estate pursuant to this Indenture other than through and solely to the extent of the rights pertaining to the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A under this Indenture or (ii) while the Notes are Outstanding, to bring any Proceeding against the Issuer other than solely in respect of the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral. For the avoidance of doubt, so long as the Notes are Outstanding, any such Proceeding with respect to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral shall not include any bankruptcy or similar proceedings. The costs of any Proceedings by Holders of Class Q-2 Securities and the costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Trustee in connection with any sale or liquidation of the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral pursuant to this provision shall not be payable from the Trust Estate (except to the extent included in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral pursuant to the definition thereof).

(n) Rights of Trustee with respect to Class Q-2 Securities Collateral.

Except as provided in Section 6.1, with respect to the security interests created in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral hereunder, the pledge of any item of property of the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral to the Trustee is to the Trustee as representative of the Holders of the Class Q-2 Securities. In furtherance of the foregoing, the possession by the Trustee of any item of property of the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral and the endorsement to or registration in the name of the Trustee of any item of property of the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral (including without limitation as entitlement holder of the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account) are all undertaken by the Trustee in its capacity as representative of the Holders of the Class Q-2 Securities. With respect to the security interest created in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral hereunder, the Delivery of any part of the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral to the Trustee is to the Trustee as fiduciary of the Holders of Class Q-2 Securities; in furtherance of the foregoing, the possession by the Trustee of any part of the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral and the endorsement to or registration in the name of the Trustee of any part of the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral (including without limitation as entitlement holder of the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account) are all undertaken by the Trustee in its capacity as fiduciary of the Holders of the Class Q-2 Securities.

(o) Protection of Class Q-2 Securities Collateral.

The provisions of Sections 7.5, 7.6 and 7.7 shall be applicable to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral and the rights therein of the Holders of Class Q-2 Securities with the following modifications: references to (1) the Trust Estate shall be to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral, (2) the Trust Accounts shall be to Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account; (3) Article VII shall be to Section 2.17(d) and Section 5.8 shall be to Section 2.17(m)(iii), (4) the Secured Parties shall be to the Holders of Class Q-2 Securities, (5) the Notes shall be to the Class Q-2 Securities, (6) the Pledged Securities shall be to the Eligible Investments credited to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account and (7) the Swap Counterparty shall be disregarded.

(p) Class Q-2 Administrative Expenses.

Following the redemption in full of the Notes and Class Q-1 Securities and the liquidation and distribution of the Trust Estate, if the Class Q-2B Securities are then Outstanding, the Holders of Class Q-2B Securities shall either (i) exchange such Class Q-2B Securities pursuant to subsection (h) above or (ii) enter into an arrangement with the Issuer satisfactory to the Issuer for the payment of Class Q-2 Administrative Expenses (and shall be deemed to have elected clause (i) if an arrangement pursuant to clause (ii) has not been entered into within a reasonable time of such redemption, liquidation and distribution).

### ARTICLE III

#### CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO THE ISSUANCE OF SECURITIES

##### SECTION 3.1 Conditions Precedent.

On the Closing Date, the appropriate Global Notes, Certificated Income Notes, Certificated Class Q-1 Securities, Class Q-1 Reg S Global Securities and Certificated Class Q-2 Securities shall be executed by the applicable Issuers and delivered to the Trustee for authentication on behalf of the applicable Issuers, and thereupon the same shall be authenticated and delivered by the Trustee upon receipt by the Trustee of the following:

(a) an Officer's Certificate of each of the Issuers (i) evidencing the authorization of the execution and delivery of this Indenture, the Purchase Agreement and the Senior Notes, and specifying the original Aggregate Principal Amount and applicable Interest Rate of each Class of Senior Notes to be authenticated and delivered, (ii) evidencing the authorization of the execution and delivery, in the case of the Issuer, of the Swap Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Investment Agreement, the Income Notes (specifying the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof to be authenticated and delivered), the Class Q-1 Securities (specifying the initial stated amount to be authenticated and delivered and nominal rate thereof), the Class Q-2A Securities (specifying the original Aggregate Principal Amount to be authenticated and delivered and Class Q-2A Interest Rate) and the Class Q-2B Securities (specifying the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof to be authenticated and delivered) and (iii) certifying that (A) the attached copy of the resolutions of the board of directors of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, is a true and complete copy thereof, (B) such resolutions have not been rescinded and are in full force and effect on and as of the Closing Date and (C) the Authorized Officers authorized to execute and deliver such documents hold the offices and have the signatures indicated thereon;

(b) either (i) a certificate of each of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer or other official document evidencing the due authorization, approval or consent of any governmental body or bodies, at the time having jurisdiction in the premises and the approval of which is required for the valid issuance of the Securities issued by it, or to the effect that no authorization, approval or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of such Securities or (ii) an Opinion of Counsel satisfactory in form and substance to the Trustee to the effect that no such authorization, approval or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of the Securities, as appropriate;

(c) opinions of Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen & Hamilton, special U.S. counsel to the Issuers, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit F attached hereto;

(d) an opinion of Walkers, Cayman Islands counsel to the Issuer, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit G attached hereto;

(e) an opinion of in-house counsel to the Swap Counterparty, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit H attached hereto;

(f) an opinion of Gardere Wynne Sewell, counsel to the Trustee, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit I hereto;

(g) an opinion of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, counsel to the Reference Portfolio Manager, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit J hereto;

(h) an Officer's Certificate or Certificates stating that neither of the Issuers is in Default and that the issuance of the Senior Notes and, in the case of the Issuer, the Income Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class Q-2 Securities, will not result in a breach of any of the terms, conditions or provisions of, or constitute a default under, the organizational documents and any indenture or other agreement or instrument to which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, is a party or by which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, is bound, or any order of any court or administrative agency entered in any Proceeding to which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, is a party or by which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, is bound or to which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, is subject; and that all conditions precedent provided in this Article III, and all conditions precedent otherwise provided in this Indenture relating to the issuance, authentication and delivery of the Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class Q-2 Securities have been complied with;

(i) a statement from the Independent Accountants in form and substance acceptable to the Issuer and the Swap Counterparty with a copy to the Trustee, the Reference Portfolio Manager and Moody's (i) confirming the information with respect to each Initial Reference Obligation set forth on Annex I to the Swap Agreement and (ii) providing calculations of each of the Reference Portfolio Criteria and of each Overcollateralization Test and specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing;

(j) fully executed counterparts of the Swap Agreement, the Swap Guarantee, the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Investment Agreement, the Investment Agreement Guaranty and the Administration Agreement;

(k) an Issuer Order to the Trustee directing it to authenticate the Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class Q-2 Securities, in the amounts set forth therein, and to register the Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class Q-2 Securities in the name(s) set forth therein or as otherwise provided therein, and to make delivery thereof to the Issuer or as it may otherwise direct therein;

(l) a letter signed by Moody's confirming that the Class A-1 Notes have been rated "Aaa" by Moody's, the Class A-2 Notes have been rated "Aa2" by Moody's, the Class B Notes have been rated "A2" by Moody's, the Class C-1 Notes and the Class C-2 Notes have been

rated “Baa2” by Moody’s, the Class Q-1 Securities have been rated “Baa2” by Moody’s (subject to the limitations on such rating for the Class Q-1 Securities set forth in such letter) and that such ratings are in full force and effect on the Closing Date;

(m) a letter signed by Standard & Poor’s confirming that the Class A-1 Notes have been rated “AAA” by Standard & Poor’s, the Class A-2 Notes have been rated “AA” by Standard & Poor’s, the Class B Notes have been rated “A” by Standard & Poor’s, the Class C-1 Notes, the Class C-2 Notes have been rated “BBB” by Standard & Poor’s, and that such ratings are in full force and effect on the Closing Date;

(n) evidence of the establishment of the Trust Accounts and the execution and delivery of the Account Agreement; and

(o) the delivery to the Trustee of a certificate, duly executed by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, providing for the disposition of the proceeds of the issuance of the Notes, dated the Closing Date.

### SECTION 3.2 Security for the Notes.

Prior to the issuance of the Notes pursuant to this Indenture, the Trustee shall, in addition to the other conditions precedent set forth herein, have received the following:

(a) Grant of Eligible Investments. The Grant pursuant to the granting clause hereof of all of the Issuer’s right, title and interest in and to the Eligible Investments securing the Notes and delivery of such Eligible Investments to the Trustee or its nominee, which, if any such Eligible Investments are held through an intermediary shall be deemed to have occurred upon receipt of evidence satisfactory to the Trustee that on or before the Closing Date, the Issuer shall have purchased or entered into agreements to purchase Eligible Investments having an aggregate principal balance equal to or greater than \$247,500,000, and that such Eligible Investments have been credited by the Securities Intermediary to a Trust Account.

(b) Certificate of the Issuer. A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, in the case of each Eligible Investment pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Trust Estate on the Closing Date and immediately prior to the delivery thereof on the Closing Date:

(i) the Issuer is the owner of such Eligible Investment free and clear of any liens, claims or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever except for those which are being released on the Closing Date and except for those Granted pursuant to this Indenture;

(ii) the Issuer has acquired its ownership in such Eligible Investment in good faith without notice of any adverse claim, except as described in paragraph (i) above;

(iii) the Issuer has not assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered any interest in such Eligible Investment (or, if any such interest has been assigned, pledged or

otherwise encumbered, it has been released) other than interests Granted pursuant to this Indenture;

(iv) the Issuer has full right to Grant a security interest in and assign and pledge such Eligible Investment to the Trustee;

(v) the Eligible Investments included in the Trust Estate satisfy the requirements of the definition of Eligible Investment and of Section 3.2(a); and

(vi) upon Grant by the Issuer, the Trustee has a first priority security interest in the Trust Estate.

### SECTION 3.3 Custodianship; Delivery of Eligible Investments.

(a) Subject to the limited right to relocate Pledged Securities set forth in Section 7.5(b), the Trustee shall hold all Pledged Securities purchased in accordance with this Indenture in the relevant Trust Account established and maintained pursuant to Article VIII, as to which in each case the Trustee shall have entered into an Account Agreement, providing, *inter alia*, that the establishment and maintenance of such Trust Account will be governed by a law of a jurisdiction satisfactory to the Issuer and the Trustee and such jurisdiction will be the securities intermediary's jurisdiction for purposes of Articles 8 of the UCC and the bank's jurisdiction for purposes of Article 9 of the UCC.

(b) Each time that the Issuer shall direct or cause the acquisition of any Eligible Investment, the Issuer shall, if such Eligible Investment has not already been transferred to the relevant Trust Account, cause such Eligible Investment to be Delivered. The security interest of the Trustee in the funds or other property utilized in connection with such acquisition shall, immediately and without further action on the part of the Trustee, thereupon be released. The security interest of the Trustee shall nevertheless come into existence and continue in such Eligible Investment so acquired, including all rights of the Issuer in and to any contracts related to and proceeds of such Eligible Investment.

(c) Notwithstanding any of the foregoing, any Delivery shall include the taking of such steps as are necessary to ensure that all payments with respect to any item of the Trust Estate shall be made directly to the Trustee for credit to a Trust Account.

### SECTION 3.4 The Swap Agreement.

(a) On the Closing Date, the Issuer shall enter into the Swap Agreement with the Swap Counterparty. The Swap Agreement shall terminate, or may be terminated, in accordance with its terms, whether or not the Notes of any Class have been paid in full prior to such termination. If the Swap Agreement has been terminated early while any Class of Notes remains Outstanding, except as provided in paragraphs (b) and (c) below, the Issuer shall use its best efforts to enter into a substitute swap agreement on similar terms to the extent that the Issuer has adequate funds and is otherwise able to enter into such an agreement.

(b) If at any time the Swap Agreement becomes subject to early termination due to the occurrence of a Swap Event of Default with respect to the Swap Counterparty or a Swap

Additional Termination Event with respect to which the Swap Counterparty is the affected party thereunder, the Issuer and the Trustee, upon written direction of the Requisite Noteholders, shall take such actions (following the expiration of any applicable grace period) to enforce the rights of the Issuer and the Trustee under the Swap Agreement and this Indenture as may be permitted by the terms of the Swap Agreement and consistent with the terms hereof. In such case, subject to paragraph (c) below, the Issuer shall apply the proceeds of any such actions (including, without limitation, the proceeds of the liquidation of any collateral pledged by the Swap Counterparty) to enter into a replacement swap agreement on substantially identical terms or on such other terms for which the Issuer receives Rating Confirmation (and with respect to which the Reference Portfolio Manager may, but is not obligated to, propose a replacement swap counterparty); provided that such replacement swap agreement has been approved by both (i) the Holders of a majority of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Senior Notes (voting together as a single class), and (ii) the Holders of a majority of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Income Notes. Any costs attributable to entering into a replacement swap agreement which exceed the amount of any termination payment received from the Swap Counterparty upon the termination of the Swap Agreement or to the extent not paid by the Swap Counterparty, shall be borne solely by the Issuer and shall constitute Administrative Expenses payable in accordance with Section 8.6. If any such termination payment received from the Swap Counterparty exceeds the costs attributable to entering into a replacement Swap Agreement, the excess amount will be deposited into the Collateral Account and applied in accordance with Section 8.6(b).

(c) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, if the Swap Agreement has been terminated and the Notes have been accelerated in accordance with Section 5.3, no substitute Swap Agreement will be entered into, and any proceeds received from the Swap Counterparty upon termination of the Swap Agreement will be distributed in accordance with Section 5.8.

## ARTICLE IV

### SATISFACTION AND DISCHARGE

#### SECTION 4.1 Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture.

This Indenture shall be discharged and shall cease to be of further effect (A) with respect to the obligations of the Issuers under the Securities and the Trust Estate securing the obligations of the Issuers under the Securities and (B) with respect to the obligations of the Issuer under the Class Q-2 Securities and the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral securing the obligations of the Issuer under the Class Q-2 Securities, in either case except as to (i) rights of registration of transfer and exchange of Securities, (ii) substitution or replacement of mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Securities, (iii) rights of the Swap Counterparty and the Holders and beneficial owners of the Securities to receive payment as provided herein (including as provided in Section 8.6), (iv) the rights, obligations and immunities of the Trustee hereunder, and the obligations of the Trustee with respect to any funds or obligations deposited with the Trustee and (v) the rights of Secured Parties as beneficiaries hereof with respect to the property deposited with the Trustee (other than the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral) and payable to all or any of them and the rights of the Holders of Class Q-2 Securities with respect to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral; and the

Trustee, on demand of and at the expense of the Issuer, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture, when:

(a) all Securities theretofore authenticated and delivered (other than (A) Securities that have been mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen and that have been replaced or paid as provided in Section 2.7 hereof and (B) Securities for whose payment money has theretofore irrevocably been deposited in trust and thereafter repaid to the Issuer or discharged from such trust, as provided in Section 7.3(c)) have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation;

(b) the Issuer has paid or caused to be paid all sums payable hereunder (including amounts payable pursuant to the Swap Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement) and no other amounts will become due and payable by the Issuers;

(c) the Issuers have delivered to the Trustee and the Swap Counterparty Officer's Certificates and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent herein provided for relating to the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture have been complied with; and

(d) the Swap Agreement has been terminated.

Notwithstanding the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture, the rights and obligations of the Issuers, the Trustee and, if applicable, the Holders of the Securities, as the case may be, under Articles 2 and 8 and under Sections 4.2, 5.10, 5.18, 6.1, 6.2, 6.6, 7.1, 7.3, and 11.16 shall continue.

#### SECTION 4.2 Application of Trust Funds.

All funds deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 4.1 hereof shall be held in trust by the Trustee and applied by it, in accordance with the provisions of the Securities and this Indenture, including Section 8.6 and Section 2.17(d), to the payment, either directly or through any Paying Agent as the Trustee may determine, to the Persons entitled thereto, and such funds shall be held (i) in a segregated trust account identified as being held in trust for the benefit of the Secured Parties and (ii) in a segregated trust account identified as being held in trust for the benefit of the Holders of the Class Q-2 Securities, as applicable. Except as specifically provided herein, the Trustee shall not be responsible for payment of interest upon any funds deposited with it.

### ARTICLE V

#### DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

##### SECTION 5.1 Events of Default.

For the purposes of this Indenture, "Event of Default" wherever used herein, means any one of the following events (whatever the reason for such Event of Default, and whether it shall be voluntary or involuntary or be effected by operation of law or pursuant to any judgment, decree or order of any court or any order, rule or regulation of any administrative or governmental body):

(a) a default in the payment, when due and payable, of any Periodic Interest on any Class of Senior Notes, which default in each case shall continue for a period of five days; provided that (except on the Maturity Date and the date of redemption in full of the Class B Notes or Class C Notes), the failure to pay Periodic Interest on the Class B Notes, Class C-1 Notes or Class C-2 Notes, as the case may be, because insufficient funds are available in accordance with the Priority of Payments will not constitute an Event of Default so long as any more senior Class of Notes then remains Outstanding;

(b) a default in the payment of principal of any Senior Note (and any Make-whole Premium, if applicable) on the Maturity Date, Optional Redemption Date or Tax Redemption Date; provided that, in the case of a default in such payment due solely to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee or any Paying Agent, such default continues for a period of five days;

(c) a default in the payment of any net amounts owed by the Issuer to the Swap Counterparty under the Swap Agreement, which default shall continue for a period of two Business Days; provided that the failure to pay any amount payable to the Swap Counterparty pursuant to Section 8.6(a)(xiii) or (xv) or Section 8.6(b)(xvi) or (xvii) because insufficient funds are available in accordance with such Priority of Payments will not constitute an Event of Default, so long as any Senior Notes are then Outstanding;

(d) a failure to apply, within five days following any Payment Date or Maturity Date, Optional Redemption Date or Tax Redemption Date, available amounts in accordance with the Payment Date Priority of Payments or Principal Priority of Payments, as applicable, set forth under Section 8.6 or a default in payment solely due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, which default continues for a period of five days;

(e) the early termination of the Swap Agreement and the failure by the Issuer to enter into a replacement Swap Agreement within 60 days of such termination;

(f) either of the Issuers or the Trust Estate becomes an investment company required to be registered under the Investment Company Act;

(g) except as otherwise provided in this Section 5.1, a default in any respect in the performance, or a breach of any covenant, warranty or other agreement of the Issuers in this Indenture, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Issuers made in this Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant hereto or in connection herewith to be correct in all respects when the same shall have been made, which default, breach or failure would have a material adverse effect on the Holders or beneficial owners of the Notes and continuance of such default, breach or failure for a period of 30 calendar days after written notice shall have been given to the Issuers and the Swap Counterparty by the Trustee or to the Issuers, the Swap Counterparty and the Trustee by the Holders of more than 25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Senior Notes specifying such default, breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that such notice is a "Notice of Default" hereunder;

(h) the entry of a decree or order by a court having jurisdiction in the premises adjudging either the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition of or in respect



of either the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under any applicable Bankruptcy Law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of either the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of their respective property, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of their affairs, and the continuance of any such decree or order unstayed and in effect for a period of 60 consecutive calendar days; or

(i) the institution by either the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of proceedings to be adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by either the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency proceedings against it, or the filing by either the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under any Bankruptcy Law, or the consent by either the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee or sequestrator (or other similar official) of either the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of their respective property, or to the ordering of the winding up or liquidation of their affairs, or the making by either the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by either the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or the taking of any action by either the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in furtherance of any such action.

SECTION 5.2 Rights of Swap Counterparty upon Event of Default. Unless (a) the Swap Agreement has been terminated and all amounts owed to the Swap Counterparty have been paid in full, or (b) a Swap Event of Default has occurred and is continuing as to which the Swap Counterparty is the defaulting party while any Senior Notes are Outstanding, the Swap Counterparty shall have the rights set forth under Sections 5.3, 5.5 and 5.15 upon the occurrence of an Event of Default hereunder.

SECTION 5.3 Acceleration of Maturity; Rescission and Annulment.

(a) If an Event of Default (other than an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(f), (h) or (i) hereof) occurs and is continuing, the Trustee shall, at the written direction of the Requisite Noteholders or the Swap Counterparty (unless the Swap Agreement has been terminated and all amounts owed to the Swap Counterparty thereunder have been paid in full or a Swap Event of Default as to which the Swap Counterparty is the defaulting party has occurred and is continuing while any Senior Notes are Outstanding), declare the principal of and any accrued interest on the Notes to be immediately due and payable, by a notice in writing to the Issuers and the Swap Counterparty (if the declaration was made at the direction of the Requisite Noteholders), with a copy to the Rating Agencies, the Investment Agreement Counterparty and the Reference Portfolio Manager. In the absence of any such written direction, the Trustee shall take no action. If an Event of Default of the type described in clause 5.1(f), (h) or (i) occurs, the principal of and accrued interest on the Notes automatically shall become immediately due and payable without any action of the Trustee or any other Person.

(b) At any time after such a declaration of acceleration of maturity has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the amounts due has been obtained by the Trustee as provided in this Article V, the Requisite Noteholders, with the written consent of the Swap Counterparty (unless the Swap Agreement has been terminated and all amounts owed to the Swap Counterparty thereunder have been paid in full or a Swap Event of Default as to which

the Swap Counterparty is the defaulting party has occurred and is continuing while any Senior Notes are Outstanding), may rescind and annul such declaration and its consequences by written notice to the Trustee and the Issuers, if:

(i) the Issuer has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:

(A) all overdue amounts payable on or in respect of the Notes (other than amounts due solely as a result of the acceleration) and the Swap Agreement;

(B) to the extent that payment of interest on such amount is lawful, interest on such overdue amounts at the applicable Interest Rate (in the case of the Senior Notes) and the applicable default rate under the Swap Agreement (in the case of the Swap Agreement);

(C) all unpaid Administrative Expenses and the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee, its agents and counsel; and

(ii) the Trustee has determined that all Events of Default, other than the nonpayment of such amount that has become due solely by such acceleration, have been cured, and the Requisite Noteholders by written notice to the Trustee have agreed with such determination (which agreement shall not unreasonably be withheld), or waived as provided in Section 5.15.

(c) No such rescission shall affect any subsequent Event of Default or impair any rights consequent thereon.

#### SECTION 5.4 Remedies.

If an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, and the Notes have been declared or have become due and payable and such declaration and its consequences have not been rescinded and annulled, or at any time on or after the Maturity Date, subject to the provisions of Section 5.5, and provided that adequate provision is made for the payment of any expenses incurred by the Trustee in accordance with Section 6.6, the Trustee shall, upon written direction by the Requisite Noteholders, do one or more of the following:

(a) institute Proceedings for the collection of all amounts then payable on the Notes or under this Indenture, whether by declaration or otherwise, enforce any judgment obtained and collect from the Trust Estate moneys adjudged due;

(b) sell all or a portion of the Trust Estate or rights of interest therein at one or more public or private sales called and conducted in any manner permitted by law and in accordance with Section 5.20;

(c) institute Proceedings from time to time for the complete or partial foreclosure of this Indenture with respect to the Trust Estate;

(d) exercise any remedies of a secured party under the applicable UCC and take any other appropriate action to protect and enforce the rights and remedies of the Trustee or the Noteholders hereunder; or

(e) exercise any other rights and remedies that may be available at law or in equity.

SECTION 5.5     Retention of Trust Estate.

(a) If an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Trustee shall retain the Trust Estate intact, collect and cause the collection of the proceeds thereof and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all amounts in respect of the Trust Estate and the Notes in accordance with the terms of this Indenture (including paying all amounts owed by the Issuer under the Swap Agreement); provided, that if the Notes have been declared or have become due and payable pursuant to Section 5.3, the Trustee shall apply any moneys in the Collection Account pursuant to Section 5.8. The Trustee shall not sell or liquidate the Trust Estate pursuant to Section 5.4 unless the Notes have been declared or have become due and payable pursuant to Section 5.3 or following the Maturity Date and one of the following conditions exists:

(i) The Trustee determines that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Trust Estate would be sufficient to pay (a) to the appropriate Persons any accrued and unpaid Administrative Expenses, (b) to the Swap Counterparty all Accrued Swap Liabilities and (c) to the Holders of the Senior Notes the principal of and interest accrued on the Senior Notes to the date of acceleration. The Trustee shall make or cause to be made the calculation required by this paragraph promptly after the acceleration of the Notes and on each monthly anniversary thereafter. In the event that the conditions of this clause (i) are satisfied, the Trustee shall promptly effect the sale or liquidation of the Trust Estate and apply the proceeds as described in Section 5.8;

(ii) Unless the Swap Agreement has been terminated and the Swap Counterparty has been paid in full the amount owed to it thereunder or unless a Swap Event of Default as to which the Swap Counterparty is the defaulting party has occurred and is continuing while any Senior Notes are Outstanding, the Swap Counterparty at any time following the acceleration of the Notes directs the Trustee to sell or liquidate the Trust Estate; or

(iii) If the Swap Agreement has been terminated and the Swap Counterparty has been paid in full the amount owed to it thereunder or if a Swap Event of Default as to which the Swap Counterparty is the defaulting party has occurred and is continuing while any Senior Notes are Outstanding, the Requisite Noteholders direct the Trustee at any time following the acceleration of the Notes to sell or liquidate the Trust Estate.

For purposes of (i) and (iii), the amounts due and payable under the Swap Agreement will be calculated taking into account the amount of any accrued and unpaid Base Amount, Subordinate Amount and Incentive Amount, in each case as provided in the Swap Agreement.

(b) Nothing contained in Section 5.5(a) shall be construed to require the Trustee to preserve the Trust Estate securing the obligations of the Issuer under the Notes if prohibited by applicable law.

(c) In determining whether the condition specified in Section 5.5(a)(i) exists, the Trustee shall obtain bid prices with respect to each asset in the Trust Estate from two nationally recognized dealers at the time making a market in such assets or similar assets, specified by the Swap Counterparty in writing so long as the Swap Agreement has not been terminated and additional amounts payable to the Swap Counterparty thereunder have been paid in full and otherwise selected by the Requisite Noteholders, and shall compute the anticipated proceeds of sale or liquidation on the basis of the lower of such bid prices for each such asset. In the case of each calculation made by the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i), the Trustee shall obtain a letter of an independent certified public accountant of national standing confirming the accuracy of the computations of the Trustee and certifying their conformity to the requirements of this Indenture.

The Trustee shall deliver to the Noteholders (with a copy to the Swap Counterparty and the Reference Portfolio Manager) a report stating the results of any determination required pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) no later than ten (10) days after making such determination but in any case after such sale or liquidation.

#### SECTION 5.6 Trustee May File Proofs of Claim.

(a) In case there shall be pending Proceedings relative to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any other obligor upon the Notes under any Bankruptcy Law, or in case a receiver, assignee or trustee in bankruptcy or reorganization, liquidator, sequestrator or similar official shall have been appointed for or taken possession of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or their respective property or such other obligor or its property, or in case of any other comparable Proceedings relative to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or such other obligor, or in case of any voluntary dissolution, liquidation or winding up of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or such other obligor, regardless of whether the principal of any Notes shall then be due and payable as therein expressed or by declaration or otherwise and regardless of whether the Trustee shall have made any demand pursuant to the provisions of Section 5.3, the Trustee shall be entitled and empowered to, by intervention in such Proceedings or otherwise:

(i) file and prove a claim or claims for the whole amount of principal and interest owing and unpaid in respect of the Senior Notes and any distributions owed with respect to the Income Notes, and file such other papers or documents and take such other action, including participating as a member, voting or otherwise, of any committee of creditors, as may be necessary or advisable in order to have the claims of the Trustee (including any claim for reasonable compensation to the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, and their respective agents, attorneys and counsel, and for reimbursement of all reasonable expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee or any Secured Party, except as a result of negligence or bad faith) and of the Secured Parties allowed in any Proceedings relative to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or other obligor upon the Notes or to the creditors or property of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or such other obligor;

(ii) unless otherwise directed by the Requisite Noteholders, or prohibited by applicable law and regulations, vote on behalf of the Holders of the Notes in any election of a trustee or a standby trustee in arrangement, reorganization, liquidation or other bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings or person performing similar functions in comparable Proceedings; and

(iii) collect and receive any moneys or other property payable to or deliverable on any such claims, and distribute in accordance with Section 5.8 all amounts received with respect to the claims of the Secured Parties and of the Trustee on their behalf; and any trustee, receiver, liquidator, custodian or other similar official is hereby authorized by each of the Holders of the Notes and the other Secured Parties to make payments to the Trustee, and, in the event that the Trustee shall consent to the making of payments directly to the Secured Parties, to pay to the Trustee such amounts as shall be sufficient to cover reasonable compensation to the Trustee, each predecessor Trustee and their respective agents and counsel, and all other reasonable expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee or any Holder of a Note or other Secured Party except as a result of negligence or bad faith of the Trustee.

(b) Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to authorize the Trustee to authorize or consent to or vote for or accept or adopt on behalf of any Holder of a Note or any other Secured Party any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or compromise affecting the Notes or the rights of any Holder thereof or any other Secured Party, or to authorize the Trustee to vote in respect of the claim of any Holder of a Note or any other Secured Party in any such Proceeding except, as aforesaid, to vote for the election of a trustee in bankruptcy or similar person or to participate as a member of any committee of creditors.

(c) In any Proceedings brought by the Trustee (and also any Proceedings involving the interpretation of any provision of this Indenture to which the Trustee shall be a party) the Trustee shall be held to represent all the Holders of the Notes and all other Secured Parties subject to the provisions of this Indenture, and it shall not be necessary to make any Holders of the Notes or any other Secured Party parties to any such Proceedings.

#### SECTION 5.7 Trustee May Enforce Claims Without Possession of Notes.

All rights of action and claims under this Indenture or the Notes may be prosecuted and enforced by the Trustee without the possession of any of the Notes or the production thereof in any Proceeding relating thereto, and any such Proceeding instituted by the Trustee shall be brought in its own name as trustee of an express trust, and any recovery of judgment shall be applied as set forth in Section 5.8 hereof.

#### SECTION 5.8 Priority of Payment on Acceleration.

Upon the acceleration of the Notes (whether or not the Trustee sells or liquidates the Trust Estate), the moneys in the Collection Account (and the moneys in all of the Trust Accounts, in the case of a complete liquidation of the Trust Estate) will thereafter be applied in

the following order of priority, with each priority being fully paid prior to such proceeds being used to pay any lower priority (subject to Section 5.5):

(a) to the payment of any accrued and unpaid Administrative Expenses (in the order set forth in the definition thereof) in an amount not exceeding the Expense Cap Amount;

(b) to the Swap Counterparty, any accrued and unpaid Accrued Swap Liabilities, except any Swap Termination Payment due to the Swap Counterparty upon the early termination of the Swap Agreement as a result of a Swap Event of Default as to which the Swap Counterparty is the defaulting party or as a result of a Swap Additional Termination Event;

(c) after acceleration of the Notes but before the sale or liquidation of the Trust Estate, to the Collateral Account, to the extent required to maintain the same ratio between the Aggregate Reference Value and the sum of (i) Eligible Investments and (ii) moneys credited to the Collateral Account as the ratio in effect on the Closing Date between the Swap Notional Amount and the net proceeds realized from the sale of the Securities that were deposited into the Collateral Account;

(d) to the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes, first accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-1 Notes to the date of acceleration and then the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1 Notes;

(e) to the Holders of the Class A-2 Notes, first accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-2 Notes to the date of acceleration and then the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2 Notes;

(f) to the Holders of the Class B Notes, first, accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest) on the Class B Notes and then, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B Notes;

(g) first, on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes, accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest) on the Class C-1 Notes and to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes, accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest) on the Class C-2 Notes, to the date of acceleration and then, on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-1 Notes and to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-2 Notes;

(h) to the Swap Counterparty, any Swap Termination Payment due to the Swap Counterparty, to the extent not paid pursuant to clause (b) above;

(i) to the payment first, of any accrued and unpaid Administrative Expenses (in the order set forth in the definition thereof) to the extent not paid pursuant to clause (a) above and then, any accrued and unpaid Subordinated Administrative Expenses;

(j) to the payment of any unpaid Extension Bonus Payments (i) first, to the applicable Holders of Class A-1 Notes, (ii) then, to the applicable Holders of Class A-2 Notes, (iii) then, to the applicable Holders of Class B Notes, and (iv) then, on a pro rata basis, to the applicable Holders of Class C-1 Notes and the applicable Holders of Class C-2 Notes; and

(k) to the Holders of the Income Notes, any remaining funds.

Upon the acceleration of the Notes, if the Trust Estate has not been sold or liquidated, the funds in the Collection Account, if any, will be applied in accordance with the above priority of payments on each Payment Date. If the Trust Estate is sold or liquidated, a final distribution will be made pursuant thereto on the first Business Day following the last day on which an item of the Trust Estate is sold or liquidated (and no interim distributions will be made on any date (including on any Payment Date) during the sale or liquidation process).

The Trustee may fix a record date and payment date for any payment to Noteholders pursuant to this Section 5.8. At least fifteen (15) days before such record date, the Trustee shall mail to each Holder of a Note a notice that states the record date, the payment date and the amount to be paid.

#### SECTION 5.9 Limitation of Suits.

No Holder of any Note shall have any right to institute any Proceeding, judicial or otherwise, with respect to this Indenture, or to appoint a receiver or trustee, or to seek any other remedy hereunder, unless:

(a) such Holder has previously given written notice to the Trustee of a continuing Event of Default;

(b) the Holders of at least 25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the most senior Class of Notes then Outstanding have made written request to the Trustee to institute such Proceeding in respect of such Event of Default in its own name as Trustee hereunder;

(c) such Holder or Holders have offered to the Trustee indemnity or security reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee in form and substance against the costs, expenses and liabilities to be incurred in complying with such request;

(d) the Trustee, for 30 days after its receipt of such notice, request and offer of indemnity or security, has failed to institute such Proceedings; and

(e) if Holders of 50% or less of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the most senior Class of Notes have requested initiation of proceedings, no written direction inconsistent with such written request has been given to the Trustee during such 30-day period by the Holders of at least 25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the most senior Class of Notes then Outstanding;

it being understood and intended that no one or more Holders of the Notes shall have any right in any manner whatever by virtue of, or by availing itself of, any provision of this Indenture to affect, disturb or prejudice the rights of any other Holders of the same Class or to obtain or to seek to obtain priority or preference over any other such Holders of the same Class (except as otherwise contemplated by this Indenture) or to enforce any right under this Indenture, except in the manner herein provided and for the equal, ratable and common benefit of all such Holders of the same Class, and provided that any such Proceedings will be subject to the limitations on the liquidation of the Trust Estate described in Section 5.5. Subject to the provisions hereof, for the

protection and enforcement of the provisions of this Section 5.9, each and every Holder shall be entitled to such relief as can be given either at law or in equity.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Indenture, if the Trustee shall receive conflicting or inconsistent requests and indemnity from two or more groups of Holders of the most senior Class of Notes then Outstanding under this Section 5.9, each representing 50% or less of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes of that Class, the Trustee shall not take any action.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, no Holder of Income Notes shall be entitled to institute Proceedings or to seek any other remedy hereunder unless all of the Senior Notes have been redeemed in full and the Swap Agreement has been terminated and any amounts owed to the Swap Counterparty thereunder have been paid in full.

**SECTION 5.10 Rights of Noteholders to Receive Principal and Interest.**

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision in this Indenture, but subject to the provisions of Sections 2.3(b), 2.8, 5.2, 5.5, 5.8, and 8.6 hereof, the Holder of any Senior Note shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive payment of the principal of and interest on such Note as such principal and interest become due and payable in accordance with Sections 2.8, 5.8 and 8.6 and, subject to Sections 5.2, 5.5 and 5.9, to institute Proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment, and such right shall not be impaired without the consent of such Holder.

(b) If collections in respect of the Trust Estate are insufficient to make payments on the Notes, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency following realization on the Trust Estate, and the obligations of the Issuers to pay any deficiency shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive.

**SECTION 5.11 Restoration of Rights and Remedies.**

If the Trustee, any Holder of any Note or any other Secured Party has instituted any Proceeding to enforce any right or remedy under this Indenture and such Proceeding has been discontinued or abandoned for any reason or has been determined adversely to the Trustee, to such Holder of a Note or to such other Secured Party, then and in every such case the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Holders of the Notes and such other Secured Parties shall, subject to any determination in such Proceeding, be restored severally and respectively to their former positions hereunder, and thereafter all rights and remedies of the Trustee, the Holders of the Notes and such other Secured Parties shall continue as though no such Proceeding has been instituted.

**SECTION 5.12 Rights and Remedies Cumulative.**

No right or remedy herein conferred upon or reserved to the Swap Counterparty, the Trustee or to the Holders of the Notes is intended to be exclusive of any other right or remedy, and every right and remedy shall, to the extent permitted by law, be cumulative and in addition to every other right and remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or otherwise. The assertion or employment of any right or remedy hereunder, or



otherwise, shall not prevent the concurrent assertion or employment of any other appropriate right or remedy.

#### SECTION 5.13 Delay or Omission Not a Waiver.

No delay or omission of the Swap Counterparty, the Trustee or any Holder of a Note to exercise any right or remedy accruing upon an Event of Default shall impair any such right or remedy or constitute a waiver of any such Event of Default or an acquiescence therein. Subject to Section 5.2, every right and remedy given by this Article V or by law to the Swap Counterparty, the Trustee or to the Holders of the Notes may be exercised from time to time, and as often as may be deemed expedient, by the Swap Counterparty, the Trustee or by the Holders of the Notes, as the case may be.

#### SECTION 5.14 Control by Noteholders.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, but subject to Section 5.2 and Section 5.5, the Requisite Noteholders shall have the right (a) to cause the institution of and direct the time, method and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee or (b) subject to Section 6.2(e), to direct the Trustee with respect to its exercise of any right, remedy, trust or power conferred on the Trustee; provided, that:

(a) such direction shall not be in conflict with any rule of law or with any express provision of this Indenture (including without limitation, any provision hereof which expressly provides for a greater percentage of any Class of Notes or an additional Class of Notes to effect an action hereunder and any provision providing express personal protection to the Trustee or a limitation on the liability of the Issuer as set forth in Section 2.8(h) hereof); and

(b) the Trustee may take any other action deemed proper by the Trustee that is not inconsistent with such direction; provided, however, that, subject to Section 6.1, the Trustee need not take any action that it reasonably determines might involve it in liability (unless the Trustee has received reasonably satisfactory indemnity or security against such liability as set forth herein). During the continuance of an Event of Default that has not been cured, the Trustee shall, prior to the receipt of directions, if any, from the Swap Counterparty or Requisite Noteholders, as applicable, or any other relevant Noteholders, exercise such of the rights and powers expressly vested in it by this Indenture and use the same degree of care and skill in their exercise, with respect to such Event of Default, as is required by Section 6.1(f) hereof.

#### SECTION 5.15 Waiver of Past Defaults.

(a) Prior to the declaration of the acceleration of the maturity of the Notes as provided in Section 5.3 and subject to the provisions of Section 5.2, the Requisite Noteholders and the Swap Counterparty may jointly waive any past Default or Event of Default and its consequences except a Default (or an Event of Default arising from such Default) (i) in the payment of principal of or interest on any of the Notes or (ii) in respect of a covenant or provision hereof which cannot be modified or amended without the consent of all of the affected Noteholders. In the case of any such waiver, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee and the Noteholders shall be restored to their former positions and rights hereunder, respectively.

(b) Upon any such waiver, such Default shall cease to exist and be deemed to have been cured and not to have occurred, and any Event of Default arising therefrom shall be deemed to have been cured and not have occurred, for every purpose of this Indenture; but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other Default or Event of Default or impair any right consequent thereto. The Trustee shall promptly give written notice of any such waiver to the Swap Counterparty, the Reference Portfolio Manager, each Rating Agency and the Investment Agreement Counterparty.

#### SECTION 5.16 Undertaking for Costs.

All parties to this Indenture agree, and each Holder of any Note by such Holder's acceptance thereof shall be deemed to have agreed, that any court may in its discretion require, in any Proceeding for the enforcement of any right or remedy under this Indenture, or in any Proceeding against the Trustee for any action taken, suffered or omitted by it as Trustee, the filing by any party litigant in such Proceeding of an undertaking to pay the reasonable costs of such Proceeding and that such court may in its discretion assess reasonable costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, against any party litigant in such Proceeding, having due regard to the merits and good faith of the claims or defenses made by such party litigant; provided, that the provisions of this Section 5.16 shall not apply to:

(a) any Proceeding instituted by the Trustee;

(b) any Proceeding instituted by any Holder of a Note, or group of Holders of the Notes, in each case holding in the aggregate more than 10% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes; or

(c) any Proceeding instituted by any Holder of a Note for the enforcement of the payment of principal of or interest on any Note on or after the respective due dates expressed in such Note and in this Indenture.

#### SECTION 5.17 Waiver of Stay or Extension Laws.

Each of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer covenants (to the extent that it may lawfully do so) that it shall not at any time insist upon, or plead, or in any manner whatsoever claim or take the benefit or advantage of, any stay or extension law wherever enacted, now or at any time hereafter in force, that may affect the covenants or the performance of or the exercise of any remedies under this Indenture. Each of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer (to the extent that it may lawfully do so) hereby expressly waives all benefit or advantage of any such law, and covenants that it shall not hinder, delay or impede the execution of any power herein granted to the Trustee, any Noteholder or the Swap Counterparty, but shall suffer and permit the execution of every such power as though no such law had been enacted.

#### SECTION 5.18 Action on Notes.

The Trustee's right to seek and recover judgment on the Notes or under this Indenture shall not be affected by the seeking, obtaining or application of any other relief under or with respect to this Indenture. Neither the lien of this Indenture nor any rights or remedies of the Trustee, the Holders of the Notes or any other Secured Party shall be impaired by the

recovery of any judgment by the Trustee against the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Swap Counterparty or by the levy of any execution under such judgment upon any portion of the assets of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Swap Counterparty.

#### SECTION 5.19 Performance and Enforcement of Certain Obligations.

(a) Promptly following a request from the Trustee to do so, the Issuer agrees to take all such lawful action as the Trustee may request to compel or secure the performance and observance by the Swap Counterparty or Swap Guarantor of its obligations to the Issuer under or in connection with the Swap Agreement or Swap Guarantee, as applicable, in accordance with the terms thereof, and to exercise any and all rights, remedies, powers and privileges lawfully available to the Issuer under or in connection with the Swap Agreement or the Swap Guarantee to the extent and in the manner directed by the Trustee, including the transmission of notices of default on the part of the Swap Counterparty or Swap Guarantor thereunder, and the institution of Proceedings to compel or secure performance by the Swap Counterparty of its obligations under the Swap Agreement or Swap Guarantor, as applicable.

(b) If an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Trustee may, and, at the direction (which direction shall be in writing) of the Holders of a majority of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Senior Notes, voting together, shall, subject to the right of the Trustee to receive indemnity or security in accordance with Section 6.2(e) or otherwise hereunder against costs, expenses and liabilities in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and subject to Section 5.14, exercise all rights, remedies, powers, privileges and claims of the Issuer against the Swap Counterparty and the Swap Guarantor, under or in connection with the Swap Agreement or Swap Guarantee, as applicable, including the right or power to take any action to compel or secure performance or observance by the Swap Counterparty and the Swap Guarantor of its obligations to the Issuer (or to the Trustee) thereunder and to give any consent, request, notice, direction, approval, extension or waiver under the Swap Agreement or Swap Guarantee, as applicable, and any right of the Issuer to take such action shall be suspended.

#### SECTION 5.20 Sale of Trust Estate.

(a) In effecting any sale or liquidation of the Trust Estate pursuant to Section 5.4 or 5.5 (a "Sale"), the Trustee may retain an independent investment banking firm of national reputation to assist it in effecting such sale or liquidation. The power to effect any Sale of any portion of the Trust Estate pursuant to Section 5.4 and Section 5.5 hereof shall not be exhausted by any one or more Sales as to any portion of such Trust Estate remaining unsold, but shall continue unimpaired until the entire Trust Estate shall have been sold or all amounts payable on the Notes under this Indenture with respect thereto shall have been paid. The Trustee may, upon giving notice on behalf of the Issuer to the Holders of the Notes and the Swap Counterparty, and shall, upon written direction of the Requisite Noteholders (or the Swap Counterparty, if the sale was directed by the Swap Counterparty pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(ii)) from time to time, postpone any Sale by public announcement made at the time of and place of such Sale. The Trustee hereby expressly waives its right to any amount fixed by law as compensation for any Sale; provided, that the Trustee shall be authorized to deduct the reasonable costs, charges and expenses incurred by it (including any fees and expenses incurred in obtaining a letter under Section 5.5(c) hereof) in connection with any Sale from the proceeds thereof notwithstanding the

provisions of Section 6.6 hereof, but without duplication of amounts payable as Administrative Expenses.

(b) The Trustee, the Swap Counterparty and the Reference Portfolio Manager and their respective Affiliates may bid for and acquire for cash any portion of the Trust Estate in connection with a Sale thereof to the extent not prohibited by applicable law, and may pay all or part of the purchase price by crediting against amounts owing on any Notes it holds or other amounts owed to it and secured by this Indenture, to the extent such amounts would have been owing on such obligations in accordance with Section 5.8 or Section 8.6, all or part of the net proceeds of such Sale after deducting the reasonable costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Trustee in connection with such Sale (including any fees and expenses incurred in obtaining a letter under Section 5.5(c) hereof). The Notes need not be produced in order to complete any such Sale, or in order for the net proceeds of such Sale to be credited against amounts owing on the Notes. The Trustee may hold, lease, operate, manage or otherwise deal with any property so acquired in any manner permitted by law in accordance with this Indenture.

(c) If any portion of the Trust Estate consists of securities issued without registration under the Securities Act ("Unregistered Securities"), the Trustee may seek an Opinion of Counsel, or, if no such Opinion of Counsel can be obtained and with the written consent of the Requisite Noteholders and the Swap Counterparty, seek a no-action position from the Securities and Exchange Commission or any other relevant federal or state regulatory authorities, regarding the legality of a public or private sale of such Unregistered Securities, the cost of which in each case shall be reimbursable to the Trustee in accordance with the terms of this Indenture.

(d) The Trustee shall execute and deliver an appropriate instrument of conveyance transferring its interest in any portion of the Trust Estate in connection with a Sale thereof. In addition, the Trustee is hereby irrevocably appointed the agent and attorney-in-fact of the Issuer to transfer and convey its interest in any portion of the Trust Estate in connection with a Sale thereof and to take all action necessary to effect such Sale. No purchaser or transferee at such a Sale shall be bound to ascertain the authority of the Trustee, inquire into the satisfaction of any conditions precedent or see to the application of any moneys.

## ARTICLE VI

### THE TRUSTEE

#### SECTION 6.1 Duties of Trustee.

(a) Subject to Section 6.1(f) below, the Trustee undertakes to perform such duties and only such duties as are specifically set forth in this Indenture and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Indenture against the Trustee.

(b) Subject to Section 6.1(f) below, in the absence of bad faith, willful misconduct, negligence or reckless disregard of obligations on its part, the Trustee may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements and the correctness of the opinions expressed

therein, upon certificates or opinions furnished to the Trustee and conforming to the requirements of this Indenture; provided, however, that in the case of any such certificates or opinions which by any provision hereof are specifically required to be furnished to the Trustee, the Trustee shall be under a duty to examine the certificates and opinions to determine whether or not they conform on their face to the requirements of this Indenture, and shall promptly, but in any event within three (3) Business Days in the case of a certificate delivered by the Swap Counterparty, notify the party delivering the same if such certificate or opinion does not so conform. If a corrected certificate or opinion shall not have been delivered to the Trustee within 15 days after such notice from the Trustee, the Trustee shall so notify the Holders of the Notes.

(c) No provision of this Indenture shall be construed to relieve the Trustee from liability for its own negligent action, its own negligent failure to act or its own willful misconduct, except that:

- (i) this Section 6.1(c) does not limit the effect of Section 6.1(a) or (b);
- (ii) the Trustee shall not be liable for an error of judgment made in good faith by a Responsible Officer unless the Trustee was negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts; and
- (iii) the Trustee shall not be liable with respect to any action it takes or omits to take in good faith in accordance with the direction of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Requisite Noteholders (or Holders with such larger percentage, or other Class, as may be required by the terms hereof) or the Swap Counterparty pursuant to this Indenture or the Swap Agreement (or the Reference Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Swap Counterparty pursuant to the Swap Agreement), or in exercising any trust or power conferred upon the Trustee under this Indenture.

(d) No provision of this Indenture shall require the Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur financial liability in the performance of any of its duties hereunder or in the exercise of any of its rights or powers, if it shall have reasonable grounds to believe that repayment of such funds or adequate indemnity or security against such risk or liability is not reasonably assured to it unless such risk or liability relates to the performance of its ordinary services, including under Article 5, under this Indenture. Anything in this Indenture to the contrary notwithstanding, in no event shall the Trustee be liable under this Indenture for special, indirect or consequential loss or damage of any kind whatsoever (including but not limited to lost profits), even if the Trustee has been advised of the likelihood of such loss or damage and regardless of the form of action.

(e) The Trustee shall not be liable for interest on any money received by it.

(f) In case an Event of Default or Class Q-2 Event of Default known to a Responsible Officer of the Trustee has occurred and is continuing, the Trustee shall, prior to the receipt of written directions, if any, in the case of an Event of Default, from the Swap Counterparty or the Requisite Noteholders and in the case of a Class Q-2 Event of Default, from the Class Q-2 Requisite Securityholders, exercise such of the rights and powers vested in it by this Indenture, and use the same degree of care and skill in its exercise as a prudent person would

exercise or use under the circumstances in the conduct of its own affairs; provided, that, in the case of an Event of Default, so long as the Swap Agreement is in effect, the Trustee shall not take any action under this subsection prior to receipt of such directions with respect to an Event of Default (other than to provide notice thereof as provided in Section 6.5) without the prior consent of the Swap Counterparty.

(g) Whether or not therein expressly so provided, every provision of this Indenture relating to the Trustee shall be subject to the provisions of this Section 6.1 and Section 6.2.

## SECTION 6.2 Rights of Trustee.

Except as otherwise provided in Section 6.1:

(a) the Trustee may rely and shall be protected in acting or refraining from acting upon any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, bond, note or other paper or document believed by it in good faith to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties;

(b) any request, consent or direction of the Issuer mentioned herein shall be sufficiently evidenced by an Issuer Order, and any request, consent or direction from the Swap Counterparty mentioned herein shall be sufficiently evidenced by a written request or direction from, or consented to or approved by, an authorized officer of the Swap Counterparty;

(c) whenever in the administration of this Indenture the Trustee shall (i) deem it desirable that a matter be proved or established prior to taking, suffering or omitting any action hereunder, the Trustee (unless other evidence be herein specifically prescribed) may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely upon an Officer's Certificate or (ii) be required to determine the value of any asset of the Trust Estate or the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral or funds hereunder or the cash flows projected to be received therefrom, the Trustee may, in the absence of bad faith on its part and unless other evidence be herein specifically prescribed, rely on reports of nationally recognized accounting firms or other persons qualified to provide the information required to make such determination including nationally or internationally recognized dealers in securities of the type being valued and securities quotation services;

(d) as a condition to the taking or omitting of any action by it hereunder, the Trustee may consult with counsel and the advice of such counsel or any Opinion of Counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection in respect of any action taken or omitted by it hereunder in good faith in reliance thereon; provided, however, that with respect to any payment required to be made to the Swap Counterparty hereunder or under the Swap Agreement, the Trustee shall act in accordance with the direction provided by the Swap Counterparty pursuant to Section 8.3, without first obtaining an Opinion of Counsel. The Trustee shall have no liability for any action, or failure to act, in accordance with the direction provided by the Swap Counterparty pursuant to Section 8.3;

(e) the Trustee shall be under no obligation to exercise any of the rights or powers vested in it by this Indenture or to honor the request or direction of any of the Holders of the Notes (or any request or direction of the Swap Counterparty, in the case of any provision hereof

which entitles the Swap Counterparty to make such request or give such direction) pursuant to this Indenture unless such parties shall have offered to the Trustee reasonable security or indemnity against all costs, expenses and liabilities which might reasonably be incurred by it in compliance with such request or direction;

(f) the Trustee shall not be bound to make any investigation into the facts or matters stated in any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, bond, note or other paper documents, but the Trustee, in its discretion, may and, upon written direction of the Requisite Noteholders or the Swap Counterparty shall, make such further inquiry or investigation into such facts or matters as it may see fit or as it shall be directed at the sole expense of the Issuer and the Trustee shall incur no additional liability of any kind by reason of such inquiry or investigation. Upon the occurrence and continuation of an Event of Default or Class Q-2 Event of Default, as applicable, the Trustee, the Swap Counterparty (or its agent) and any Holder or beneficial owner of a Note or Class Q-1 Security (or Class Q-2 Security, as applicable) shall be entitled (but not obligated), on reasonable prior request (which request shall include a statement of the purpose therefor) made in advance to the Issuer to examine the books and records relating to the Trust Estate (or Class Q-2 Securities Collateral, as applicable) of the Issuer personally or by agent or attorney during normal business hours; provided, that the Trustee, the Swap Counterparty or any such Holder or beneficial owner shall, and shall cause its agents, to hold in confidence all such information, except as otherwise required pursuant to this Indenture or to the extent disclosure may be required by law or by any regulatory or judicial authority and, in the case of the Trustee, to the extent the Trustee, in its sole judgment, may determine that such disclosure is consistent with its obligations hereunder;

(g) the Trustee may execute any of the trusts or powers hereunder or perform any duties hereunder either directly or by or through agents or attorneys and the Trustee may employ or retain such accountants, appraisers or other experts or advisers as it may reasonably require for the purpose of determining and discharging its rights and duties hereunder; and the Trustee shall not be responsible for any misconduct or negligence on the part of any non-affiliated agent or adviser appointed or retained or any non-affiliated attorney appointed, with due care by it hereunder;

(h) the Trustee shall not be deemed to have notice or knowledge of any matter (other than an Event of Default described in Sections 5.1(a)-(d)) unless a Responsible Officer within the corporate trust department of the Trustee has actual knowledge thereof or unless written notice thereof is received by the Trustee at its Corporate Trust Office and such notice references the Notes generally, either of the Issuers or this Indenture. Whenever reference is made in this Indenture to an Event of Default or Class Q-2 Event of Default, such reference shall, insofar as determining any liability on the part of the Trustee is concerned, be construed to refer only to an Event of Default or a Class Q-2 Event of Default of which the Trustee is deemed to have knowledge in accordance with this paragraph;

(i) except as expressly set forth herein, the Trustee shall not be obligated to monitor, evaluate, verify or otherwise determine or compel compliance by the Swap Counterparty or any Paying Agent (to the extent the Trustee is not serving as the exclusive Paying Agent) with the requirements, terms or conditions of this Indenture or the Swap

Agreement, as applicable; provided, however, that the Trustee shall be obligated to ensure that all duties appointed to it by the Issuer shall be executed as set forth in this Indenture. The Trustee shall have no liability for the acts or omissions of the Swap Counterparty or any Paying Agent appointed under or pursuant to this Indenture, and shall be under no obligation to verify independently the accuracy of the information it receives from the Swap Counterparty or the Reference Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Swap Counterparty with respect to the Reference Portfolio;

(j) the Trustee shall have no obligation or responsibility for the accuracy of the records of the Depository, any Clearing Corporation (including Euroclear or Clearstream) or any non-Affiliated Securities Intermediary and shall have no liability for the acts or omissions of the Depository, any Clearing Corporation (including Euroclear or Clearstream) or any non-Affiliated Securities Intermediary;

(k) with respect to the security interests in the Trust Estate created hereunder, the pledge of any item of property of the Trust Estate to the Trustee is to the Trustee as representative of the Holders of the Notes and as agent for the other Secured Parties. In furtherance of the foregoing, the possession by the Trustee of any item of property of the Trust Estate and the endorsement to or registration in the name of the Trustee of any item of property of the Trust Estate (including without limitation as entitlement holder of the Collateral Account) are all undertaken by the Trustee in its capacity as representative of the Holders of the Notes and as agent for the other Secured Parties;

(l) the Trustee shall not be under any obligation or duty to become a party to, or to review or evaluate the terms of (or have responsibility for the sufficiency of) any agreement executed pursuant to this Indenture, including but not limited to the Swap Agreement and the Investment Agreement;

(m) the terms of the Swap Agreement shall expressly permit and acknowledge the collateral assignment and pledge by the Issuer of its rights and interests thereunder to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture; and shall expressly provide that such assignment and pledge is made for collateral security only and shall not impose upon, or be deemed to transfer to (or constitute an assumption by) the Trustee, any liabilities or obligations of the Issuer to the Swap Counterparty;

(n) the Trustee shall not be liable for any action it takes or omits to take in good faith that it reasonably and, after the occurrence and during the continuance of a Default (subject to Section 6.1(f)), prudently believes to be authorized or within its discretion, rights or powers hereunder;

(o) to the extent any defined term hereunder, or any calculation required to be made or determined by the Trustee hereunder, is dependent upon or defined by reference to U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, the Trustee shall be entitled to request and receive (and conclusively rely upon) instruction from the Issuer or the Independent Accountants (and in the absence of its receipt of timely instruction therefrom, shall be entitled to obtain the same directly from an independent accountant at the expense of the Issuer) as to the application of U.S. generally accepted accounting principles in such connection, in any instance;



(p) to the extent permitted by applicable law, the Trustee shall not be required to give any bond or surety in respect of the execution of this Indenture or otherwise; and

(q) the enumeration of any permissible right or power herein available to the Trustee shall not be construed to be the imposition of a duty.

#### SECTION 6.3 Trustee May Own Notes.

The Trustee in its individual or any other capacity may become the owner or pledgee of Notes and may otherwise deal with the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, the Swap Counterparty or any of their respective Affiliates with the same rights it would have if it were not Trustee. Any Paying Agent, Registrar, co-registrar or co-paying agent may do the same with like rights.

#### SECTION 6.4 Trustee's Disclaimer.

The Trustee shall not be responsible for and, except as set forth in Section 6.11, makes no representations as to the validity or adequacy of this Indenture, the other Basic Documents, the Notes or any related documents. It shall not be accountable for the use by the Issuers of the proceeds from the Notes, it shall not be responsible for any statement of the Issuer in this Indenture or in any document issued in connection with the sale of the Notes or in the Notes other than the Certificate of Authentication of the Trustee and it shall in no event assume or incur any liability, duty or obligation to any Holder of a Note, other than as expressly provided in this Indenture or by law. Under no circumstances shall the Trustee be liable for indebtedness evidenced by or arising under any of the Basic Documents, including the amounts payable on the Notes.

#### SECTION 6.5 Notice of Defaults; Events of Default and Acceleration.

Promptly (and in no event later than three (3) Business Days) after the occurrence of any Default or Event of Default or any Class Q-2 Event of Default, in each case known to a Responsible Officer of the Trustee or after any declaration of acceleration has been made by or delivered to the Trustee pursuant to Sections 5.3 or 2.17(m)(ii) hereof, the Trustee shall mail to the Rating Agencies, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Swap Counterparty, the Investment Agreement Counterparty and each Holder of a Security notice of the Default or Event of Default or Class Q-2 Event of Default, as applicable (unless such Default or Event of Default or Class Q-2 Event of Default shall have been cured or waived, in which case notice of the Default or Event of Default or Class Q-2 Event of Default, as applicable, and that it has been cured or waived shall be promptly provided to each such Person) or notice of any declaration of acceleration. In addition, if and for so long as any Class of the Securities is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of such Stock Exchange so require, notices to the Holders of such Securities shall also be given by publication in the Irish Stock Exchange's Daily Official List.

SECTION 6.6 Compensation; Reimbursement; Indemnity.

(a) The Issuer agrees:

(i) to pay the Trustee on each Payment Date the Trustee Fee (which Trustee Fee shall not be limited by any provision of law in regard to the compensation of a trustee of an express trust);

(ii) except as otherwise expressly provided herein, to reimburse the Trustee in a timely manner upon its request for all reasonable expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or made by the Trustee in accordance with any provision of this Indenture or in the enforcement of any provision hereof (including securities transaction charges and the reasonable compensation and the expenses incurred by the Trustee including, without limitation, any legal counsel, investment banking firm, accounting firm or any other agent employed by the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture and reasonable disbursements of its agents and counsel, except any such expense, disbursement or advance as may be attributable to its negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith) and expenses related to the maintenance and administration of the Trust Estate;

(iii) to pay or to reimburse the Trustee for its payment of the fees of any accounting firm or investment banking firm employed by the Trustee as provided herein;

(iv) to indemnify fully and hold harmless each of the Trustee, its directors, officers, employees and agents for, and to hold each of them harmless against, any claims, loss, liability, damages, costs or expense (including without limitation reasonable counsel fees and expenses) incurred without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of this trust, including the costs and expenses of defense against any claim or liability in connection with the exercise or performance of any of its powers or duties hereunder; and

(v) to pay the Trustee reasonable additional compensation together with its expenses (including reasonable counsel fees) for any collection action taken pursuant to Section 6.12 hereof.

(b) If on any date when a fee or expense shall be payable to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture insufficient funds are available for the payment thereof in accordance with Section 8.6, any portion of a fee or expense not so paid shall be deferred and payable on such later date on which a fee or expense shall be payable and sufficient funds are available therefor in accordance with Section 8.6 and the failure to pay such amount will not, by itself, constitute an Event of Default. Subject to Section 6.7 hereof, the Trustee shall continue to serve as Trustee under this Indenture regardless of whether it has received amounts due it hereunder, and the Trustee hereby agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer for the nonpayment to the Trustee of any amounts provided by this Section 6.6 until at least one year and one day (or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect as confirmed by an Opinion of Counsel provided to the Trustee), after the termination of this Indenture. No

direction by any Holders of the Notes or the Swap Counterparty shall affect the right of the Trustee to collect amounts owed to it under this Indenture.

(c) When the Trustee incurs expenses or renders services in connection with an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(h) or Section 5.1(i), the expenses (including the reasonable charges and expenses of its counsel) and the compensation for the services are intended to constitute expenses of administration under any applicable Bankruptcy Law.

SECTION 6.7 Resignation and Removal of Trustee; Appointment of Successor.

(a) No resignation or removal of the Trustee and no appointment of a successor Trustee pursuant to this Article VI shall become effective until the acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee under this Section. The indemnifications in favor of the Trustee in Section 6.6 hereof shall survive any resignation or removal (to the extent of any indemnified liabilities, costs, expenses and other amounts arising or incurred prior to, or arising out of actions or omissions occurring prior to, the effectiveness of such resignation or removal) and the termination of this Indenture.

(b) The Trustee may resign at any time by giving 30 days' prior written notice thereof to the Issuers, the Holders of the Notes, the Swap Counterparty, the Reference Portfolio Manager and each Rating Agency.

(c) The Trustee may be removed at any time by the Requisite Noteholders, with the consent of the Swap Counterparty (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld) (or, following the Maturity Date and distribution of the Trust Estate, the Class Q-2 Requisite Securityholders), upon written notice thereof to the Trustee, the Issuers, each Rating Agency, the Reference Portfolio Manager and the Swap Counterparty.

(d) If at any time:

(i) the Trustee shall cease to be eligible under Section 6.10 hereof and shall fail to resign after written request therefor by the Issuers or by the Requisite Noteholders;

(ii) the Trustee shall become incapable of acting;

(iii) a court having jurisdiction in the premises in respect of the Trustee in an involuntary case or proceeding under federal or state banking or bankruptcy laws, as now or hereafter constituted, or any other applicable federal or state bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law, shall have entered a decree or order granting relief or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, custodian, trustee, conservator, sequestrator or similar official for the Trustee or for any substantial part of the Trustee's property, or ordering the winding-up or liquidation of the Trustee's affairs, provided any such decree or order shall have continued unstayed and in effect for a period of 30 consecutive days; or

(iv) the Trustee commences a voluntary case under any federal or state banking or bankruptcy laws, as now or hereafter constituted, or any other applicable

federal or state bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law, or consents to the appointment of or taking possession by a receiver, liquidator, assignee, custodian, trustee, conservator, sequestrator or other similar official for the Trustee or for any substantial part of the Trustee's property, or makes any assignment for the benefit of its creditors or fails generally to pay, or admits in writing its inability to pay, its debts as such debts become due or takes any corporate action in furtherance of any of the foregoing;

then, in any such case, (A) the Issuers, by an Issuer Order, may remove the Trustee, and the Trustee hereby agrees to resign immediately in the manner and with the effect provided in this Section 6.7, or (B) any Noteholder or the Swap Counterparty may, on behalf of itself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(e) If the Trustee shall resign, be removed or become incapable of acting, or if a vacancy shall occur in the office of the Trustee for any reason, the Issuers shall promptly appoint a successor Trustee by written instrument, in duplicate, executed by an Authorized Officer of each of the Issuers on behalf of the Issuers, one original copy of which shall be delivered to the Trustee so resigning and one original copy to the successor Trustee, together with a copy to each Noteholder, the Swap Counterparty, the Reference Portfolio Manager and the Rating Agencies; provided, that such successor Trustee shall be appointed, only upon the written consent of the Requisite Noteholders and the Swap Counterparty and provided, further, that the Issuer received Rating Confirmation for such appointment. If no successor Trustee shall have been appointed and an instrument of acceptance by a successor Trustee shall not have been delivered to the resigning Trustee within 30 days after the giving of such notice of resignation, the retiring or resigning Trustee, the Swap Counterparty or any Holder of a Note, may, on behalf of itself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(f) The Issuers shall give prompt notice of each resignation and each removal of the Trustee and each appointment of a successor Trustee by mailing written notice of such event by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Swap Counterparty, each Rating Agency and to the Holders of the Notes as their names and addresses appear in the Securities Register. Each notice shall include the name of the successor Trustee and the address of its Corporate Trust Office.

(g) Every successor Trustee appointed hereunder shall be required to meet the eligibility requirements set forth in Section 6.10 and shall execute, acknowledge and deliver to the Issuers and the retiring Trustee an instrument accepting such appointment, and thereupon the resignation or removal of the retiring Trustee shall become effective and such successor Trustee, without any further act, deed or conveyance, shall become vested with all the rights, powers, trusts, duties and obligations of the retiring Trustee; but, on request of the Issuers, the successor Trustee, the Swap Counterparty or the Requisite Noteholders, such retiring Trustee shall, upon payment of its fees and expenses then unpaid, execute and deliver an instrument transferring to such successor Trustee all the rights, powers and trusts of the retiring Trustee, and shall duly assign, transfer and deliver to such successor Trustee all property and money held by such retiring Trustee hereunder.

(h) Upon request of any such successor Trustee, the Issuers shall execute any and all instruments for more fully and certainly vesting in and confirming to such successor Trustee all such rights, powers and trusts. Upon acceptance of appointment by a successor Trustee as provided in this Section, the Issuers shall mail notice thereof by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the Holders of the Notes at their last addresses appearing upon the Securities Register, the Rating Agencies, the Swap Counterparty, the Reference Portfolio Manager and the Investment Agreement Counterparty. If the Issuers fail to mail such notice within ten days after acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee, the successor Trustee shall cause such notice to be mailed at the expense of the Issuers.

#### SECTION 6.8 Merger or Consolidation of Trustee.

Any Person into which the Trustee may be merged or with which it may be consolidated, or any Person resulting from any merger or consolidation to which the Trustee shall be a party, or any Person succeeding to all or substantially all the corporate trust business of the Trustee, shall be the successor of the Trustee under this Indenture (provided, however, that such Person shall be eligible under the provisions of Section 6.10) without the execution or filing of any instrument or any further act on the part of any of the parties to this Indenture, anything in this Indenture to the contrary notwithstanding.

#### SECTION 6.9 Appointment of Co-Trustee or Separate Trustee.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, at any time, for the purpose of meeting any legal requirement of any jurisdiction in which any part of the Issuer's assets may at the time be located, the Trustee shall have the power and may execute and deliver all instruments to appoint one or more Persons to act as a co-trustee or co-trustees, or separate trustee or separate trustees, of all or any part of the Issuer's assets, and to vest in such Person or Persons in such capacity and for the benefit of the Noteholders and the other Secured Parties, such title to the Issuer's assets, or any part hereof, and, subject to the other provisions of this Section 6.9, such powers, duties, obligations, rights and trusts as the Trustee may consider necessary or desirable. No co-trustee or separate trustee hereunder shall be required to meet the terms of eligibility as a successor trustee under Section 6.10 and no notice to Noteholders of the appointment of any co-trustee or separate trustee shall be required under Section 6.7.

(b) Every separate trustee and co-trustee shall, to the extent permitted by law, be appointed and act subject to the following provisions and conditions:

(i) all rights, powers, duties and obligations conferred or imposed upon the Trustee shall be conferred or imposed upon and exercised or performed by the Trustee and such separate trustee or co-trustee jointly (it being understood that such separate trustee or co-trustee is not authorized to act separately without the Trustee joining in such act), except to the extent that under any law of any jurisdiction in which any particular act or acts are to be performed the Trustee shall be incompetent or unqualified to perform such act or acts, in which event such rights, powers, duties and obligations (including the holding of title to the assets of the Issuer or any portion thereof in any such jurisdiction) shall be exercised and performed singly by such separate trustee or co-trustee but solely at the direction of the Trustee;

(ii) no trustee hereunder shall be personally liable by reason of any act or omission of any other trustee hereunder; and

(iii) the Trustee may at any time accept the resignation of or remove any separate trustee or co-trustee.

(c) Any notice, request or other writing given to the Trustee shall be deemed to have been given to each of the separate trustees and co-trustees, as effectively as if given to each of them. Every instrument appointing any separate trustee or co-trustee shall refer to this Indenture and the conditions of this Article VI. Each separate trustee and co-trustee, upon its acceptance of the trusts conferred, shall be vested with the estates or property specified in its instrument of appointment, either jointly with the Trustee or separately, as may be provided therein, subject to all the provisions of this Indenture, specifically including every provision of this Indenture relating to the conduct of, affecting the liability of, or affording protection to, the Trustee. Every such instrument shall be filed with the Trustee.

(d) Any separate trustee or co-trustee may at any time constitute the Trustee, its agent or attorney-in-fact with full power and authority, to the extent not prohibited by law, to do any lawful act under or in respect of this Indenture on its behalf and in its name. If any separate trustee or co-trustee shall die, become incapable of acting, resign or be removed, all of its estates, properties, rights, remedies and trusts shall vest in and be exercised by the Trustee, to the extent permitted by law, without the appointment of a new or successor trustee.

#### SECTION 6.10 Eligibility; Disqualification.

The Trustee shall (a) be a Person organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America or of any state thereof, (b) be authorized under such laws to exercise corporate trust powers, (c) have an office in the United States, (d) have a combined capital and surplus of at least \$200,000,000 and be subject to supervision or examination by federal or state authorities, and (e) have (or have a parent which has) a long-term unsecured debt or deposit rating of at least "Baa1" by Moody's and "BBB+" by Standard & Poor's. If such Person shall publish reports of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or to the requirements of the aforesaid supervising or examining authority, then for the purpose of this Section 6.10, the combined capital and surplus of such Person shall be deemed to be its combined capital and surplus as set forth in its most recent report of condition so published. If at any time the Trustee shall cease to be eligible in accordance with the provisions of this Section 6.10, the Trustee shall resign immediately in the manner and with the effect specified in Section 6.7.

#### SECTION 6.11 Representations and Warranties of Trustee.

The Trustee, in its individual capacity, represents and warrants as of the Closing Date that:

(a) it is a banking corporation duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the State of New York;

(b) it has full corporate trust power, authority and legal right to execute, deliver and perform its obligations under this Indenture, and has taken all necessary action to authorize

the execution, delivery and performance by it of this Indenture, the Account Agreement and the Investment Agreement;

(c) neither the execution, delivery and performance by it of this Indenture nor the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Indenture shall violate any provision of its corporate charter or by-laws; and

(d) this Indenture has been duly executed and delivered by it and constitutes its legal, valid and binding agreement, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, subject, as to enforcement, to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws now or hereafter in effect affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights in general and except as such enforceability may be limited by general principles of equity (whether considered in a Proceeding at law or in equity).

#### SECTION 6.12 Certain Duties of Trustee Related to Delayed Payment of Proceeds.

In the event that in any month the Trustee shall not have received a payment under the Swap Agreement when due or with respect to any Pledged Security on its due date, the Trustee shall promptly notify the Swap Counterparty and the Reference Portfolio Manager in writing and, unless (a) such payment shall subsequently have been received by the Trustee or (b) the Issuers make or cause to be made provisions for such payment satisfactory to the Trustee within three Business Days after such notice, shall request the Swap Counterparty, in the case of the Swap Agreement, or the obligor or issuer of such Pledged Security, the agent or trustee under the related underlying instrument or paying agent designated by any of them, as applicable, to make such payment as soon as practicable after such request but in no event later than three Business Days after the date of such request. In the event that such payment is not made within such time period, the Trustee shall take such action as the Requisite Noteholders (or, unless the Swap Agreement has been terminated and all amounts owed to the Swap Counterparty have been paid, the Swap Counterparty in the case of failure to receive payments in respect of the Pledged Securities) shall reasonably direct in writing (provided, however, that the Trustee shall not be obligated to take any action, including commencement of any legal proceeding, unless it shall have received reasonably satisfactory indemnification or security against expenses and liabilities that may be associated therewith). Any such action shall be without prejudice to any right to claim a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture. Notwithstanding any other provision hereof, the Trustee shall deliver to the Issuers or their designee any payment with respect to the Swap Agreement or any Pledged Security received after the due date thereof to the extent the Issuers previously made provisions for such payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with this Section 6.12, and such payment shall not be deemed part of the Trust Estate.

#### SECTION 6.13 Withholding; Tax Forms.

(a) If any withholding tax is imposed on the payment (or allocations of income) under the Securities by the Issuers to any Holder of a Security, such tax shall reduce the amount otherwise distributable to such Holder. The Trustee is hereby authorized and directed to retain from amounts otherwise distributable to any Holder of a Security sufficient moneys for the payment of any withholding tax that is legally owed by the Issuers (but such authorization shall not prevent the Trustee from contesting any such tax in appropriate Proceedings and withholding

payment of such tax, if permitted by law, pending the outcome of such Proceedings). The amount of any withholding tax imposed with respect to any Holder of a Security shall be treated as cash distributed to such Holder at the time it is withheld by the Trustee and remitted to the appropriate taxing authority. If there is a possibility that withholding tax is payable with respect to a distribution, the Trustee may in its sole discretion withhold such amounts in accordance with this Section 6.13. If any Holder of a Security wishes to apply for a refund of any such withholding tax, the Trustee shall provide to such Holder any information with respect to such withholding tax reasonably available to the Trustee so long as such Holder agrees to reimburse the Trustee for any out-of-pocket expenses incurred. Nothing herein shall impose an obligation on the part of the Trustee to determine the amount of any tax or withholding obligation on the part of the Issuers.

(b) The Issuer shall prepare and file or deliver, or cause to be prepared, filed and delivered, any income tax, franchise tax, information or withholding tax or other tax returns or forms that are required to be filed with or provided to any tax authority, to the Holders or with or to any other person by or on behalf of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

#### SECTION 6.14 Fiduciary for Noteholders Only; Agent for Other Secured Parties.

With respect to the security interest created in the Trust Estate hereunder, the Delivery of any part of the Trust Estate to the Trustee is to the Trustee as fiduciary of the Noteholders and as agent for the other Secured Parties; in furtherance of the foregoing, the possession by the Trustee of any part of the Trust Estate and the endorsement to or registration in the name of the Trustee of any part of the Trust Estate (including without limitation as entitlement holder of the Collateral Account) are all undertaken by the Trustee in its capacity as fiduciary of the Noteholders and agent for the other Secured Parties.

#### SECTION 6.15 Assignment of Rights; Not Assumption of Duties.

Anything herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding, (a) each of the Issuers shall remain liable under this Indenture and each of the documents contemplated herein and related hereto to which it is a party to the extent set forth therein to perform all of its duties and obligations thereunder to the same extent as if this Indenture had not been executed, (b) the exercise by the Trustee, any Noteholder or Noteholders or any other Secured Party of any of their rights, remedies or powers hereunder shall not release the Issuers from any of their duties or obligations under each of such documents to which they are parties and (c) neither the Noteholders nor the Trustee or any other Secured Parties shall have any obligation or liability under any of such documents to which one or both of the Issuers are parties by reason of or arising out of this Indenture, nor shall the Noteholders, the other Secured Parties or the Trustee be obligated to perform any of the obligations or duties of the Issuers thereunder or, except as expressly provided herein with respect to the Trustee, to take any action to collect or enforce any claim for payment assigned hereunder or otherwise.



## ARTICLE VII

### COVENANTS

#### SECTION 7.1 Payments on Securities.

The Issuers will duly and punctually pay the principal of and interest on the Securities, and all other amounts payable on or in respect of the Securities, in accordance with the terms of the Securities and this Indenture. Amounts properly withheld under the Code (or any successor statute), and under the laws of any State or other jurisdiction by any Person from a payment to any Holder of a Security of the principal of or interest on the Securities shall be considered as having been paid by the Issuers to the Holder of a Security for all purposes of this Indenture and the Securities.

#### SECTION 7.2 Maintenance of Office or Agency.

The Trustee will maintain an office or agency in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, the State of New York, where Securities may be presented or surrendered for payment. The Trustee hereby initially designates the Corporate Trust Office as such office or agency. The Trustee will give prompt written notice to the Issuers and the Holders of the Securities of any change in the location of any such office or agency in New York City.

#### SECTION 7.3 Money for Payments to Be Held in Trust.

(a) All payments of amounts due and payable under this Indenture with respect to the Securities, and payments to be made hereunder with respect to the Swap Agreement, shall be made on behalf of the Issuer by the Trustee or another Paying Agent, in each case from amounts deposited with the Trustee or Paying Agent, as the case may be, by or on behalf of the Issuers for such purpose.

(b) The Issuers may at any time, for the purpose of obtaining the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture or for any other purpose, by Issuer Order direct any Paying Agent to pay to the Trustee all sums held in trust by such Paying Agent, together with any instructions that accompanied the deposit of such sums, with such sums to be held by the Trustee upon the same terms as those upon which the sums were held by such Paying Agent; and upon such payment and delivery by any Paying Agent to the Trustee, such Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to such money.

(c) The Trustee shall give written notice to the Issuers of any money held by the Trustee or any Paying Agent for the payment of any amount due with respect to any Security and remaining unclaimed for two years after such amount has become due and payable and, subject to applicable abandoned property laws, upon written request of the Issuer such amount shall be deemed discharged from any trust and be paid to the Issuer; and the Holder of such Security shall thereafter look only to the Issuer for payment thereof (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Issuer), and all liability of the Trustee or such Paying Agent with respect to such funds shall thereupon cease; provided, however, that the Trustee or such Paying Agent, before being required to make any such payment to the Issuer, shall (i) at the expense of the Issuer cause to be published once, in a newspaper published in the English language, customarily

published on each Business Day and of general circulation in New York City, and, in accordance with Section 11.4, in the Irish Stock Exchange's Daily Official List, notice that such money remains unclaimed and that, after a date specified therein, which shall not be less than thirty (30) days from the date of such publication, any unclaimed balance of such money then remaining shall be repaid to the Issuer and (ii) mail notice of such repayment to the Holders of the Securities whose right or interest in moneys due and payable but not claimed is determinable from the records of the Trustee or of any Paying Agent, at the last address of record for each such Holder. The Trustee may also adopt and employ, at the expense of the Issuer, any other reasonable means of notification of such repayment.

(d) If and to the extent any funds shall be delivered to it from time to time pursuant to this Indenture for the purpose of making payments on or in respect of the Securities, the Trustee shall be entitled to establish a segregated account for the purpose of holding and disbursing such funds. The Trustee shall have no obligation to invest or pay interest on any such funds held by it (except as and to the extent otherwise expressly provided herein).

#### SECTION 7.4 Existence of Issuers.

(a) Each of the Issuers will maintain in full force and effect its existence, rights and franchises as a company or corporation incorporated under the laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation and will obtain and preserve its qualification to do business as a foreign corporation in each jurisdiction in which such qualification is or shall be necessary to protect the validity and enforceability of this Indenture, the Securities or any of the Pledged Securities or other property included in the Trust Estate or in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral; provided, however, that, subject to Cayman Islands law, the Issuer shall be entitled to change its jurisdiction of incorporation from the Cayman Islands to any other jurisdiction (other than the United States or any state or political subdivision thereof or therein) reasonably selected by the Issuer so long as (i) the Issuer determines such change is not disadvantageous in any material respect to the Issuer, the Holders of the Securities or any other Secured Party, (ii) written notice of such change shall have been given by the Issuer to the Trustee, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Swap Counterparty, the Noteholders and the Rating Agencies at least thirty (30) Business Days prior to such change of jurisdiction, (iii) on or prior to the fifteenth Business Day following such notice the Trustee shall not have received written notice from the Holders of a majority of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Senior Notes, or the Holders of a majority of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Income Notes, or the Swap Counterparty, objecting to such change, and (iv) such change shall not cause the Issuer to be in violation of United States or Cayman Islands law. Each of the Issuers shall comply with its organizational documents and shall not amend its organizational documents in any manner that would have a material adverse effect on the rights of the Swap Counterparty or the Holders of any Class of Notes. The Board of Directors of each of the Issuers will at all times have at least one member who is Independent of the Swap Counterparty and the Reference Portfolio Manager. The Issuer shall be entitled to take any action required by this Indenture within the United States, notwithstanding any provision of this Indenture requiring the Issuer to take such action outside of the United States, so long as prior to taking any such action the Issuer receives a legal Opinion of Tax Counsel to the effect that it is not necessary to take such action outside the United States or any political subdivision thereof in order to prevent the Issuer from becoming subject to any United States federal, state or local income or withholding taxes.

(b) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall ensure that all corporate or other formalities regarding their respective existences (including holding regular meetings of the board of directors and shareholders, or other similar meetings) are followed. Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall take any action, or conduct its affairs in a manner, that is likely to result in its separate existence being ignored or in its assets and liabilities being substantively consolidated with any other Person in a bankruptcy, reorganization or other insolvency proceedings. Without limiting the foregoing, (i) neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall have any subsidiaries and (ii) the Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall not (A) have any employees (other than their respective officers and directors) or (B) engage in any transaction with any shareholder that would constitute a conflict of interest (provided that the Administration Agreement shall not be deemed to be a transaction that would constitute such a conflict of interest).

(c) The Issuer shall notify the Rating Agencies of any amendment of any of the organizational documents of the Issuers and of any redemption in full of any Class of Notes.

#### SECTION 7.5     Protection of Trust Estate.

(a) The Issuer shall from time to time execute, deliver and file all such supplements and amendments hereto and all such financing statements, continuation statements, instruments of further assurance and other instruments and shall take such other action as may be necessary or advisable (including, without limitation, causing the registration of this Indenture in the Register of Mortgages of the Issuer at the Issuer's Registered Office in the Cayman Islands) to secure the rights and remedies of the Secured Parties, including to:

- (i) Grant more effectively all or any portion of the Trust Estate;
- (ii) maintain, preserve and perfect the validity of any Grant made or to be made by this Indenture or to carry out more effectively the purposes hereof;
- (iii) perfect, publish notice of, or protect the validity of any Grant made or to be made by this Indenture (including, without limitation, any and all actions necessary or desirable as a result of changes in law or regulation);
- (iv) enforce the Swap Agreement and any of the Pledged Securities or any other instruments or property included in the Trust Estate;
- (v) preserve and defend title to the Trust Estate and the rights therein of the Trustee, the Swap Counterparty, the Collateral Administrator and the Holders of the Notes in such Trust Estate against the claims of all other Persons; and
- (vi) pay or cause to be paid any and all taxes levied or assessed upon all or any part of the Trust Estate.

The Issuer hereby designates the Trustee its agent and attorney-in-fact to execute and file (i) a financing statement in connection with the Grant pursuant to this Indenture identifying as collateral "all assets in which the Issuer now or hereafter has rights," and (ii) any other financing statement, continuation statement or other instrument necessary or desirable under this section; provided, however, that the Trustee shall be under no obligation to prepare,

execute or file any such financing statement, continuation statement or other instrument and that such appointment shall not impose upon the Trustee any of the Issuer's obligations under this Section 7.5.

(b) The Trustee shall not, except in accordance with Article VIII and Section 5.8, permit the removal of any portion of the Trust Estate or transfer any such property from a Trust Account to which it is credited, or cause or permit any change in the manner of Delivery of any Pledged Securities, if after giving effect thereto the jurisdiction governing the perfection of the Trustee's security interest in such Pledged Securities is different from the jurisdiction governing perfection at the time of delivery of the most recent Opinion of Counsel pursuant to Section 7.6(a) (or, if no Opinion of Counsel has yet been delivered pursuant to Section 7.6(a), the Opinion of Counsel delivered at the Closing Date pursuant to Section 3.1), unless the Trustee shall have received an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the lien and security interest created by this Indenture with respect to such property will continue to be maintained after giving effect to such action or actions.

(c) The Issuer shall pay or cause to be paid taxes, if any, levied on account of the beneficial ownership by the Issuer of any Pledged Securities.

(d) Without at least thirty (30) days prior written notice to the Trustee, the Issuer shall not change its name, or the name under which it does business, from the name shown on the signature page hereof.

#### SECTION 7.6 Opinions as to Trust Estate and Tax Certificates.

(a) On or before July 31<sup>st</sup> in each calendar year commencing in 2005, the Issuer shall cause to be delivered to the Trustee (with a copy to each Rating Agency, the Swap Counterparty and the Reference Portfolio Manager) an Opinion of Counsel with respect to the laws of the State of New York, stating that, in the opinion of such counsel, as of the date of such opinion, (i) the security interest in the Trust Estate created by this Indenture is perfected and, with respect to certain portions of the Trust Estate, of the first priority (subject to reasonable assumptions and qualifications as applicable), and (ii) no further action (other than as specified in such opinion) is required to be taken (under the UCC and applicable federal regulation as in effect on such date) to ensure the continued perfection of such security interest during the succeeding year.

(b) If required to prevent the withholding and imposition of U.S. federal income tax, the Issuer shall deliver or cause to be delivered a United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-8BEN (or any successor thereto) to each issuer of a Pledged Security in the Trust Estate at the time such Pledged Security is purchased by the Issuer and as necessary thereafter. The Issuer similarly shall comply with any information reporting or certification procedures imposed by any state, local or non-U.S. tax law as a precondition to an exemption from, or reduction in the rate of, the withholding and imposition of any tax in respect of a Pledged Security in the Trust Estate.

SECTION 7.7 Performance of Obligations.

(a) Each of the Issuers shall not take any action and shall not consent to any action proposed to be taken by others that would release any Person from any of such Person's covenants or obligations under any instrument or agreement included in the Trust Estate, except in accordance with the provisions hereof.

(b) Either or both Issuers may contract with other Persons, including the Collateral Administrator, for the performance by such Persons of the obligations of either or both Issuers hereunder. Notwithstanding any such arrangement, the Issuers shall remain primarily liable with respect thereto. With respect to any such contract, the performance of such obligations by such Persons shall be deemed to be performance of such obligations by the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as applicable, and the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as applicable, will perform punctually, and will use its best efforts to cause such Persons, to perform punctually their obligations hereunder.

SECTION 7.8 Negative Covenants.

(a) The Issuer will not, and with respect to clauses (ii), (iv), (vi), (vii), (x) and (xii), the Co-Issuer will not:

(i) sell, transfer, exchange or otherwise dispose of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecate or otherwise encumber (or permit such to occur or suffer such to exist), any part of the Trust Estate or the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and the Swap Agreement;

(ii) claim any credit on, or make any deduction from or dispute the enforceability of, the amount payable with respect to the Securities other than amounts withheld in accordance with the Code or any applicable laws of the Cayman Islands, or assert any claim against any present or future Holder of the Securities, by reason of the payment of any taxes levied or assessed upon any part of the Trust Estate or the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral, as applicable;

(iii) (A) incur or assume any indebtedness other than pursuant to this Indenture (including trade debt incidental to the performance of the respective obligations of the Issuers hereunder), (B) incur, assume or guarantee the indebtedness of any other Person or (C) issue any additional shares other than the Ordinary Shares authorized to be issued as of the Closing Date;

(iv) (A) permit the validity or effectiveness of this Indenture or any grant hereunder to be impaired, or permit the lien of this Indenture to be amended, hypothecated, subordinated, terminated or discharged, or permit any Person to be released from any covenants or obligations with respect to this Indenture or the Securities, except, in each case, as may be expressly permitted hereby or thereby, (B) create, permit or suffer to exist any lien, charge, adverse claim, security interest, mortgage or other encumbrance (other than the lien of this Indenture) to be created on or extend to or otherwise arise upon or burden the Trust Estate or the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral, or any part thereof or any interest therein or the proceeds thereof, or (C) take

any action that would permit the lien of this Indenture not to constitute a valid first priority perfected security interest in the Trust Estate or the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral;

(v) directly or through any other Person, engage in any activity that could cause it to be a dealer in securities or to be deemed to be engaged in a finance or lending business for United States federal income tax purposes;

(vi) (A) commence any case, proceeding or other action under any existing or future law of any jurisdiction, domestic or foreign, relating to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or relief of debtors, seeking to have any order for relief entered with respect to it, or seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, winding-up, liquidation, dissolution, composition or other relief with respect to it or its debts, or (B) seek appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian or other similar official for it or for all or any substantial part of its assets, or make a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors;

(vii) amend the “non petition” or “limited recourse” provisions of any of the Basic Documents;

(viii) enter into any agreement or contract with any Person unless such contract or agreement contains “limited recourse” provisions and such Person agrees that, prior to the date that is one year and one day after all of the related obligations of the Issuer have been paid in full (or, if longer, the applicable preference period under applicable insolvency law), such Person shall not take any action or institute any proceeding against the Issuer under any insolvency law applicable to the Issuer or which would be reasonably likely to cause the Issuer to be subject to, or seek the protection of, any such insolvency law; provided, however, that such Person shall be permitted to become a party to and to participate in any Proceeding or action under any such insolvency law that is initiated by any Person other than one of its Affiliates;

(ix) declare or pay dividends or other distributions in respect of, or redeem or otherwise purchase, any equity interest of the Issuer, other than as contemplated by this Indenture, or authorize, issue or sell any additional equity interest of the Issuer;

(x) take any action that could cause the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trust Estate or the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral to be required to (A) register as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act or (B) register any of the issued and outstanding securities of the Issuer or Co-Issuer under the Securities Act or any United States or state securities law;

(xi) designate an Early Termination Date (as defined in the Swap Agreement) other than by reason of a Swap Event of Default or amend the Swap Agreement in any material respect, unless the Issuer receives Rating Confirmation for such designation or amendment; or

(xii) have any employees (except for officers and directors); or

(xiii) commingle its Cash with that of any other Person.

(b) The Issuers shall not enter into any agreement, contract or indenture other than the Basic Documents or in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Indenture; shall not incur or assume any indebtedness other than pursuant to this Indenture (including trade debt incidental to the performance of the respective obligations of the Issuers hereunder), or incur, assume or guarantee the indebtedness of any other Person; and shall not own any securities at any time, other than as contemplated by this Indenture and the Swap Agreement. For purposes of this paragraph (b), “security” means any note, stock, treasury stock, bond, debenture, evidence of indebtedness, certificate of interest or participation in any profit sharing agreement, collateral-trust certificate, preorganization certificate or subscription, transferable share, investment contract, voting-trust certificate, certificate of deposit for a security, fractional undivided interest in oil, gas, or other mineral rights, any put, call, straddle, option, or privilege on any security (including a certificate of deposit) or on any group or index of securities (including any interest therein or based on the value thereof), or any put, call, straddle, option or privilege entered into on a national securities exchange relating to foreign currency, or, in general, any interest or instrument commonly known as a “security,” or any certificate of interest or participation in, temporary or interim certificate for, receipt for, guarantee of, or warrant or right to subscribe to or purchase, any of the foregoing.

(c) The Trustee shall not sell, transfer, exchange or otherwise dispose of, or enter into or engage in any business with respect to, any part of the Trust Estate or the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and except for administrative services performed for the Issuers relating to their administrative duties as contemplated herein.

#### SECTION 7.9 Statement as to Compliance.

On or before May 31<sup>st</sup> in each calendar year, beginning May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2005, or immediately if there has been a Default or Event of Default or Class Q-2 Event of Default under this Indenture, the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee (who shall deliver a copy to the Swap Counterparty and the Reference Portfolio Manager) an Officer’s Certificate stating, as to each signer thereof, that:

(a) a review of the activities of the Issuer during the preceding calendar year and of its performance under this Indenture has been made under his or her supervision; and

(b) to the best of such signer’s knowledge, based on such review, there did not exist, as of a date no more than five days prior to the date of the certificate, nor had there existed at any time prior thereto since the date of the last certificate (or in the case of the first such certificate, since the Closing Date), any Event of Default or Class Q-2 Event of Default under this Indenture or any Swap Event of Default or Swap Termination Event with respect to the Issuer under the Swap Agreement or, if such event did then exist or had existed, specifying the same and the nature and the status thereof, including actions undertaken to remedy the same, and that the Issuer has complied with all of its obligations under this Indenture and the Swap Agreement since the date of the last certificate (or in the case of the first such certificate, since

the Closing Date), or if such is not the case, specifying those obligations with which it has not complied.

SECTION 7.10 Consolidation of Issuers.

(a) The Issuer shall not consolidate or merge with or into any other Person or transfer or convey all or substantially all of its assets to any Person, unless permitted by Cayman Islands law and unless:

(i) the Issuer shall be the surviving entity, or the Person (if other than the Issuer) formed by such consolidation or into which the Issuer is merged or to which all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer are transferred or conveyed shall be an exempted company incorporated with limited liability and existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands or such other jurisdiction outside the United States as may be approved by the Holders of a majority of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Notes; provided, that no such approval shall be required in connection with any such transaction undertaken solely to effect a change in the jurisdiction of organization pursuant to Section 7.4 (any such jurisdiction or any jurisdictions approved pursuant to the preceding clause, "Permitted Other Jurisdictions"), and shall expressly assume, by an indenture supplemental hereto, executed and delivered to the Trustee, each Holder of a Note and the other Secured Parties, the due and punctual payment of the principal of and interest on all Notes and all payments under the Swap Agreement and the performance of every covenant of this Indenture on the part of the Issuer to be performed or observed, all as provided herein;

(ii) each Rating Agency shall have received written notification of such consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance and shall have given a Rating Confirmation with respect to such transaction;

(iii) immediately after giving effect to such transaction, no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing;

(iv) the Issuer shall have delivered to the Trustee, each Holder of a Note and the Swap Counterparty an Officer's Certificate and an Opinion of Tax Counsel each stating that such consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance and such supplemental indenture comply with this Section 7.10, that all conditions precedent in this Section 7.10 relating to such transaction have been complied with and that (A) no gain or loss will be recognized for United States federal, Cayman Islands and the Permitted Other Jurisdiction, if any, income tax purposes by the Holders of the Securities or the Swap Counterparty solely as a result thereof, (B) neither payments on the Swap Agreement nor the net income of the Issuer or the surviving entity shall become subject to United States federal income tax (whether imposed by withholding or otherwise) solely as a result thereof, (C) no change in the characterization of the Notes as indebtedness for United States federal income tax purposes will result therefrom and (D) neither the Trust Estate, nor the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral, nor the surviving entity (if applicable) shall become subject to income taxes or other applicable taxes solely as a



result therefrom that would reduce in any manner the payments on the Securities or the amount of funds available for such payment;

(v) the Issuer shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel stating that after giving effect to such transaction, neither of the Issuers will be required to register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act; and

(vi) after giving effect to such transaction, no Ordinary Shares will be beneficially owned by U.S. Persons.

(b) The Co-Issuer shall not consolidate or merge with or into any other Person or transfer or convey all or substantially all of its assets to any Person, unless:

(i) the Co-Issuer shall be the surviving corporation, or the Person (if other than the Co-Issuer) formed by such consolidation or into which the Co-Issuer is merged or to which all or substantially all of the assets of the Co-Issuer are transferred or conveyed shall expressly assume, by an indenture supplemental hereto, executed and delivered to the Trustee, the due and punctual payment of the principal of and interest on all Notes and the performance of every covenant of this Indenture on the part of the Co-Issuer to be performed or observed, all as provided herein;

(ii) each Rating Agency shall have received written notification of such consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance and shall have given a Rating Confirmation for such transaction;

(iii) immediately after giving effect to such transaction, no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing;

(iv) the Co-Issuer shall have delivered to the Trustee and each Holder of a Note an Officer's Certificate and an Opinion of Tax Counsel each stating that such consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance and such supplemental indenture comply with this Section 7.10, that all conditions precedent in this Section 7.10 relating to such transaction have been complied with and that (A) no gain or loss will be recognized for United States federal, Cayman Islands and the Permitted Other Jurisdiction, if any, income tax purposes by the Holders of the Securities or the Swap Counterparty solely as a result therefrom, (B) neither payments on the Swap Agreement nor the net income of the Co-Issuer or the surviving entity shall become subject to United States federal income tax (whether imposed by withholding or otherwise) solely as a result therefrom, (C) no change in the characterization of the Notes as indebtedness for United States federal income tax purposes will result therefrom and (D) neither the Trust Estate, nor the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral, nor the surviving entity (if applicable) shall become subject to income taxes or other applicable taxes solely as a result therefrom that would reduce in any manner the payments on the Securities or the amount of funds available for such payment;

(v) the Co-Issuer shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel stating that after giving effect to such transaction, neither of the Issuers will be required to register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act; and

(vi) after giving effect to such transaction, none of its common stock will be beneficially owned by U.S. Persons.

#### SECTION 7.11 Successor Substituted.

Upon any consolidation or merger, or transfer or conveyance of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer, in accordance with Section 7.10, the Person formed by or surviving such consolidation or merger (if other than the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable), or the Person to which such transfer or conveyance is made, shall succeed to, and be substituted for, and may exercise every right and power of, and shall be bound by each obligation or covenant of, the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as applicable, under this Indenture with the same effect as if such Person had been named as the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as applicable, herein. In the event of any such consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance, the Person named as the “Issuer” or “Co-Issuer”, as applicable, in the first paragraph of this Indenture or any successor which shall theretofore have become such in the manner prescribed in this Article VII may be dissolved, wound-up and liquidated at any time thereafter, and such Person thereafter shall be released from its liabilities as obligor and maker on all the Notes and from its obligations under this Indenture.

#### SECTION 7.12 No Other Business.

(a) The Issuer shall not engage in any business or activity other than (i) issuing and selling its Ordinary Shares, (ii) issuing and selling the Notes, (iii) issuing and selling the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class Q-2 Securities, (iv) entering into the Swap Agreement and engaging in the activities permitted thereunder, (v) entering into the Collateral Administration Agreement, (vi) the acquisition and disposition of Eligible Investments and Class Q-2 Securities Collateral and (vii) engaging in other activities that are necessary, suitable or convenient to accomplish the foregoing or are incidental thereto or connected therewith. The Issuer shall provide prior written notice to each Rating Agency of any proposed amendment to its Articles and shall not amend its Articles unless it has received Rating Confirmation for such amendment.

(b) The Co-Issuer shall not engage in any business or activity other than issuing and redeeming its common stock, issuing the Senior Notes, and engaging in any other activities that are necessary, suitable or convenient to accomplish the foregoing or are incidental thereto or connected therewith. The Co-Issuer shall provide prior written notice to each Rating Agency of any proposed amendment to its Certificate of Incorporation or bylaws and shall not amend such documents unless it has received Rating Confirmation for such amendment.

#### SECTION 7.13 Purchase of Notes and Class Q Securities.

Notwithstanding anything contained in this Indenture to the contrary, the Issuer may acquire Securities in open market or privately negotiated transactions or otherwise (and the Issuer shall give prompt written notice thereof to the Trustee); provided, however, that it has received Rating Confirmation for such acquisition; provided, further that, the Issuer shall not acquire Notes of any Class if Notes of a more senior Class are then outstanding. Any Securities acquired by the Issuer shall be delivered to the Trustee for cancellation. Any Securities acquired in accordance with this Section 7.13 must be acquired at a price less than par.

SECTION 7.14 Additional Covenants.

(a) Each of the Issuers shall comply with all applicable laws, rules, regulations, orders, writs, judgments, injunctions, decrees, determinations and awards (including, without limitation, any fiscal and accounting rules and regulations and any foreign or domestic law, rule or regulation), including, without limitation, in connection with the issuance, offer and sale of the Notes.

(b) In addition to the notices to be provided under Section 8.11, the Issuers shall give prompt notice in writing to the Trustee, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Swap Counterparty, the Investment Agreement Counterparty and each Rating Agency upon becoming aware of the occurrence of any Default or Event of Default under this Indenture (or waiver thereof) or any default under any other Basic Document or the Account Agreement (or waiver thereof).

(c) Each of the Issuers shall comply with the terms and conditions of the Basic Documents to which it is a party or by which it is bound. Each of the Issuers shall take all actions as may be necessary to ensure that all of its representations and warranties made pursuant to the Basic Documents are true and correct as of the date hereof and thereof and continue to be true and correct for so long as any Notes are Outstanding. Each of the Issuers further agrees not to authorize or otherwise to permit the Collateral Administrator to act in contravention of the representations, warranties and agreements of the Collateral Administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement.

(d) To the extent it may lawfully do so, each of the Issuers on behalf of itself agrees it will not (i) commence any case, proceeding or other action under any existing or future law of any jurisdiction, domestic or foreign, relating to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or relief of debtors, seeking to have any order for relief entered with respect to it, or seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, winding-up, liquidation, dissolution, composition or other relief with respect to it or its debts; (ii) seek appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian or other similar official for it or for all or any substantial part of its assets, or make a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors; or (iii) take any action in furtherance of, or indicating its consent to, approval of, or acquiescence in, any of the acts set forth above; and each of the Issuers shall generally pay its debts as they become due and not admit in writing its inability to pay its debts as they become due.

(e) So long as any Class of Securities listed on the Irish Stock Exchange is Outstanding, the Issuers shall (i) use all reasonable efforts to maintain the listing of such Class of Securities on the Irish Stock Exchange; provided, however, that the Issuer will not be required to maintain a listing on the Irish Stock Exchange or any other E.U. stock exchange if compliance with requirements of the European Commission or a relevant Member State becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Swap Counterparty, (ii) notify the Irish Stock Exchange if the rating assigned to any Class of Securities has been qualified, downgraded or withdrawn; and (iii) make available for inspection at the office of the Trustee copies of their respective Articles, bylaws, and resolutions authorizing the issuance of the Notes and this Indenture.

(f) Each Issuer shall only conduct business in its own name as set forth in its organizational documents.

SECTION 7.15 Representations and Warranties of the Issuers.

(a) Each of the Issuers represents and warrants as to itself that it is a company or corporation duly incorporated, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation and in each jurisdiction where the conduct of its business requires such license, qualification or good standing, except where the failure to be so licensed or qualified or in good standing would not adversely affect the validity or enforceability of the Basic Documents to which it is a party, or the ability of the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as the case may be, to perform its obligations hereunder or thereunder.

(b) Each of the Issuers represents and warrants as to itself that it has the power and authority to execute and deliver the Basic Documents and all other documents and agreements contemplated hereby and thereby to which it is a party, as well as to carry out the terms hereof and thereof.

(c) Each of the Issuers represents and warrants as to itself that it has taken all necessary action, including but not limited to all requisite corporate action, to authorize the execution, delivery and performance of the Basic Documents and all other documents and agreements contemplated hereby and thereby to which it is a party. When executed and delivered by the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as the case may be, and in the case of the Securities, authenticated by the Trustee as provided herein, assuming due authorization, execution, delivery and/or authentication by each other party thereto, each of the Basic Documents to which it is a party will constitute the legal, valid and binding obligation of the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as the case may be, enforceable in accordance with its terms subject, as to enforcement, to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws now or hereafter in effect affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights in general and except as such enforceability may be limited by general principles of equity (whether considered in a Proceeding at law or in equity).

(d) Each of the Issuers represents and warrants as to itself that all authorizations, licenses, permits, certificates, franchises, consents, approvals and undertakings which are required to be obtained by it under any applicable law which are material to (i) the conduct of its business, (ii) the ownership, use, operation or maintenance of its properties or (iii) the performance by the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as the case may be, of its obligations under or in connection with the Basic Documents to which it is a party, have been received and all such authorizations, licenses, permits, certificates, franchises, consents, approvals and undertakings are in full force and effect.

(e) Each of the Issuers represents and warrants as to itself that the execution, issuance and delivery of, and performance by it of its obligations under, the Basic Documents and any and all instruments or documents required to be executed or delivered pursuant hereto or thereto or in connection herewith or therewith to which it is a party were and are within its powers, and will not violate any provision of any law, regulation, decree or governmental authorization applicable to it, or its Articles, or Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws, as the

case may be, and will not violate or cause a default under any provision of any contract, agreement, mortgage, indenture or other undertaking to which it is a party or which is binding upon it or any of its property or assets, and will not result in the imposition or creation of any lien, charge, or encumbrance upon any of its properties or assets, pursuant to the provisions of any such contract, agreement, mortgage, indenture or undertaking, other than as specifically set forth herein.

(f) Each of the Issuers represents and warrants as to itself that there are no legal, governmental or regulatory proceedings pending to which it is a party or of which any of its property is the subject, which if determined adversely to it, would individually or in the aggregate have a material adverse effect on the performance by it, of the Basic Documents to which it is a party or the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereunder or thereunder, and to the best of its knowledge, no such proceedings are threatened or contemplated.

(g) Each of the Issuers represents and warrants as to itself that the Securities issued by it are not required to be registered pursuant to the Securities Act, it is not required to be registered as an investment company pursuant to the Investment Company Act and this Indenture is not required to be qualified under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended.

#### SECTION 7.16 Certain Tax Matters.

(a) The Issuer shall not file, or cause to be filed, any income or franchise tax return in any state of the United States unless it shall have obtained an Opinion of Counsel prior to such filing that, under the laws of such jurisdiction, the Issuer is required to file such income or franchise tax return.

(b) The Issuer will not file with the Internal Revenue Service an election to be treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

(c) The Issuer shall take reasonable steps so as to avoid the acquisition and ownership of "U.S. real property interests," within the meaning of section 897 of the Code, and interests in trusts or partnerships (or similar "pass-through entities") that are engaged in the conduct of a trade or business within the United States for United States federal income tax purposes.

(d) The Issuers do not intend for this Indenture to represent an agreement to enter into a partnership, a joint venture or any other business entity for U.S. federal tax purposes. The Issuers will not represent or otherwise hold themselves out to the Internal Revenue Service or other third parties as partners in a partnership or members of a joint venture or other business entity for U.S. federal tax purposes.

#### SECTION 7.17 DTC Actions.

The Issuers shall direct DTC to take the following steps in connection with the Global Notes:

(a) The Issuers shall direct DTC to include the “3c7” marker in the DTC 20-character security descriptor and the 48-character additional descriptor for the Rule 144A Global Notes in order to indicate that sales are limited to Qualified Purchasers that are Qualified Institutional Buyers.

(b) The Issuers shall direct DTC to cause each physical DTC delivery order ticket delivered by DTC to purchasers to contain the 20-character security descriptor and shall direct DTC to cause each DTC delivery order ticket delivered by DTC to purchasers in electronic form to contain the “3c7” indicator and the related user manual for participants.

(c) On or prior to the Closing Date, the Issuers will instruct DTC to send the “Important Notice to DTC Participants,” in substantially the form of Exhibit K hereto, to all Participants.

(d) The Issuers will request that DTC include the Rule 144A Global Notes in DTC’s “Reference Directory” of Section 3(c)(7) offerings.

(e) Upon the request of the Trustee or the Swap Counterparty, the Issuer shall request DTC to deliver a list of all Participants holding an interest in the Rule 144A Global Notes.

#### SECTION 7.18 Bloomberg Screens, Etc.

The Issuers will from time to time request all applicable third-party vendors to include on screens maintained by such vendors appropriate legends regarding Rule 144A, Regulation S and Section 3(c)(7) restrictions on the Global Notes. Without limiting the foregoing, the Issuer will request that Bloomberg, L.P. include the following on each Bloomberg screen containing information about the Notes as applicable:

(a) The bottom of the “Security Display” pages describing the Rule 144A Global Notes should state: “Iss’d Under 144A/3c7.”

(b) The bottom of the “Security Display” page describing the Regulation S Global Notes or Class Q-1 Reg S Global Securities should state: “Iss’d Under Reg S.”

(c) The “Security Display” page should have a flashing red indicator stating “Additional Note Pg.”

(d) Such indicator for the Rule 144A Global Notes should link to an “Additional Security Information” page, which should state that the Rule 144A Global Notes “are being offered in reliance on the exemption from registration under Rule 144A of the Securities Act to persons that are both (A) “Qualified Institutional Buyers” (as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act) and (B) “Qualified Purchasers” (as defined under Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act).”

(e) Such indicator for the Regulation S Global Notes or Class Q-1 Reg S Global Securities should link to an “Additional Security Information” page, which should state that the

such securities “are being offered to non-U.S. Persons in reliance on the exemption from registration under Regulation S of the Securities Act in offshore transactions.”

(f) The “Disclaimer” pages for the Notes should state that the Notes “will not be and have not been registered under the Securities Act, and neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has been registered under the Investment Company Act and these securities may not be offered or sold in the United States absent registration or an applicable exemption from registration requirements and any such offer or sale of these securities must be in accordance with Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act.”

#### SECTION 7.19 CUSIP.

The Issuers will cause each “CUSIP” or “CINS” number obtained for a Note to have an attached “fixed field” that contains “3c7” and “144A” or “Reg S” indicators, as applicable.

#### SECTION 7.20 Legends.

The Issuers will not remove the legends set forth on the Securities in the forms set forth in Exhibits A1-1, A2-1, B1-1, B2-1, C1-1, C2-1, A1-2, A2-2, B1-2, B2-2, C1-2, C2-2, A1-3, A2-3, B1-3, B2-3, C1-3, C2-3, IN-1, Q1-A and Q-2A hereto at any time except as provided in Section 2.6(k).

#### SECTION 7.21 Regulation S Transfers.

The Issuers will not participate directly or through agents, and will direct the Initial Purchaser not to participate, in any sale or transfer of Temporary Regulation S Global Notes or Regulation S Global Notes (or a beneficial interest therein) to a U.S. Person unless such person is acquiring a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note.

#### SECTION 7.22 Listing Agent.

As long as any Securities are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of such Exchange shall so require, the Issuers shall maintain a listing agent (a “Listing Agent”), a paying agent and a transfer agent with an office in Dublin, Ireland. The Issuers hereby initially appoint the NCB Stockbrokers as listing agent for Securities listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and initially appoint an Irish paying agent and transfer agent for such Securities as provided in Sections 10.1 and 10.2, respectively, of this Indenture. If the Issuers appoint a new Listing Agent, the Issuers will publish the change, with such publication expected to be made in the *Daily Official List* of the Irish Stock Exchange.

#### SECTION 7.23 Security Interest Representations and Warranties.

(a) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants as of the Closing Date as follows:

(i) The Issuer owns the Trust Estate and the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral free and clear of any lien, claim or encumbrance of any person, other than such as are created under, this Indenture.

(ii) Except as expressly permitted by this Indenture, other than the assignment and security interest granted to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture, the Issuer has not pledged, assigned, sold, granted a security interest in, or otherwise conveyed any of the Trust Estate or the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral. The Issuer has not authorized the filing of and is not aware of any financing statements against the Issuer that includes a description of the Trust Estate or Class Q-2 Securities Collateral or any portion thereof other than any financing statement relating to the security interest granted to the Trustee hereunder or that has been terminated. The Issuer is not aware of any judgment, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation or tax lien filings against the Issuer.

(iii) The Issuer has received all consents and approvals required by the terms of any item in the Trust Estate and the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral to transfer to the Trustee its interest and rights in such item in the Trust Estate or Class Q-2 Securities Collateral, as applicable, hereunder, except to the extent that any requirement for consent or approval is rendered ineffective under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code.

(iv) This Indenture creates a valid and continuing security interest (as defined in the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) (x) in the Trust Estate in favor of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, and (y) in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral in favor of the Trustee for the benefit of the Holders of Class Q-2 Securities, which security interest in either case is prior to all other liens and is enforceable as such against creditors of and purchasers from the Issuer;

(v) The Trust Estate and the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral is comprised of “instruments,” “security entitlements,” “general intangibles,” “securities accounts,” “certificated securities,” “deposit accounts,” “accounts,” “chattel paper,” “financial assets,” “letter of credit rights” and/or “uncertificated securities” (each as defined in the applicable Uniform Commercial Code).

(vi) With respect to instruments contained in the Trust Estate or the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral (other than instruments evidencing obligations underlying participations), all original executed copies of each instrument that constitutes or evidences the instruments have been delivered to the Securities Intermediary to be held as a financial asset (within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code). None of the instruments have any marks or notations indicating that they have been pledged, assigned or otherwise conveyed to any Person other than the Securities Intermediary.

(vii) All Eligible Investments consisting of instruments, security entitlements, certificated securities and uncertificated securities owned by the Issuer and contained in the Trust Estate or the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral (other than instruments evidencing obligations underlying participations) have been credited to one of the Trust Accounts or the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account, as applicable. The Securities Intermediary has agreed to treat all assets credited to the Trust Accounts or the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account as financial assets within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code.



(viii) The Issuer has taken all steps necessary to cause the securities intermediary to identify in its records the Trustee as the person having the security entitlement against the securities intermediary in each of the Trust Accounts and the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account. The Trust Accounts and the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account are not in the name of any person other than the Issuer or the Trustee. The Issuer has not consented to the Securities Intermediary to comply with entitlement orders or other instructions of any person other than the Trustee.

(ix) The Issuer has caused or will have caused, within ten Business Days of the Closing Date, the filing of all appropriate financing statements in the proper filing office in the appropriate jurisdictions under applicable law in order to perfect the security interest in the Trust Estate and the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral granted to the Trustee hereunder.

(x) All certificated securities (other than a Clearing Corporation Security) have been delivered to the Securities Intermediary to be held as a financial asset and have been endorsed to the Securities Intermediary or in blank or have been registered in the name of the Securities Intermediary upon original issue or registration of transfer by the issuer of such certificated security.

(b) The representations and warranties set forth in this Section 7.23 shall survive the execution of this Indenture and shall be deemed to be repeated on each date on which any item of property is added to the Trust Estate or the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral, as applicable, as if made at and as of that time. The representations and warranties set forth herein may not be waived without receipt of a written Rating Confirmation for such waiver (provided that in the case of the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral, Rating Confirmation shall only be required so long as any Class Q-2 Securities are rated and only from the Rating Agency then rating such Class Q-2 Securities) and, in the case of the Trust Estate only, consent by the Swap Counterparty. This Section 7.23 may not be amended without the written consent of each of the Rating Agencies.

#### SECTION 7.24 Financing Statements; Registration.

The Issuer shall cause a financing statement describing the Trust Estate and the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral by use of the words "all assets in which the Debtor now or hereafter has rights" and naming the Issuer as "Debtor" and the Trustee as secured party to be filed by or on behalf of the Issuer in the applicable jurisdiction, which is the District of Columbia, within ten (10) days of the Closing Date. The Issuer shall take all actions necessary to continue and maintain the effectiveness of such financing statement and shall notify the Rating Agencies and Trustee in writing 30 days prior to any change in the Issuer's name, identity, corporate structure, jurisdiction of incorporation or location of its chief executive office. The Issuer shall not authorize the filing of any financing statements naming it as debtor other than financing statements in favor of the Trustee. The Issuer shall cause the registration of this Indenture in the Register of Mortgages of the Issuer at the Issuer's Registered Office in the Cayman Islands.

SECTION 7.25 Reaffirmation of Rating; Annual Rating Review.

(a) On or before the Ramp-up End Date, the Issuers shall request each Rating Agency in writing to confirm its rating of each Class of Senior Notes and request Moody's to confirm its rating of the Class Q-1 Securities, in each case within 30 days after the end of the Ramp-up Period.

(b) The Issuers shall pay for continuous rating surveillance by S&P of the Senior Notes rated by S&P and by Moody's of the Senior Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities rated by Moody's, so long as any of such Securities remain Outstanding. The Issuers shall promptly notify the Trustee in writing (which shall promptly notify the Securityholders, the Swap Counterparty, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Collateral Administrator and the Investment Agreement Counterparty) if at any time the rating of any Class of Senior Notes or Class Q-1 Securities has been, or is known will be, qualified, downgraded or withdrawn.

SECTION 7.26 Amendment of the Swap Agreement.

The Issuer shall not enter into any amendment to the Swap Agreement (a "Swap Agreement Amendment") except in accordance with this Section 7.26.

(a) Without the consent of the Holders of the Notes, the Issuer and the Swap Counterparty at any time and from time to time, may amend the Swap Agreement, in order to:

(i) cure any ambiguity, or correct, modify or supplement any provision thereof which is defective or inconsistent with any other provision therein or of the Offering Circular;

(ii) take any action necessary or helpful to prevent the Issuer from becoming subject to any withholding or other taxes or assessments or to reduce the risk that the Issuer will be engaged in a United States trade or business or otherwise subject to United States federal income tax on a net income basis; or

(iii) amend, modify or change any test or requirement of any Rating Agency under the Swap Agreement where such amendment, modification or change has been specified or authorized by such Rating Agency (and notice thereof has been provided to the Trustee, the Swap Counterparty and Reference Portfolio Manager);

(b) Except as provided in subsection (a), the Issuer shall not enter into an amendment to the Swap Agreement without the consent of the Holders of a majority of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Notes.

(c) Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed Swap Agreement Amendment, subject to subsection (b), the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to be provided, and the Trustee, at the expense of the Issuers, shall mail to the Holders of Securities, the Swap Counterparty, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Investment Agreement Counterparty and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Securities are Outstanding) a copy of such proposed Swap Agreement Amendment, and shall request any consent required pursuant to subsection (b) above from the applicable Holders of Securities to be given within the Initial

Consent Period. Any consent given to a proposed amendment to the Swap Agreement by the Holder of any Securities shall be irrevocable and binding on all future Holders and beneficial owners of that Security, irrespective of the execution date of the Swap Agreement Amendment. If Holders of less than the required percentage of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the relevant Securities consent to a proposed Swap Agreement Amendment within the Initial Consent Period, on the first Business Day after the Initial Consent Period, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer, the Swap Counterparty, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser and the Reference Portfolio Manager which Holders of Securities have consented to the proposed Swap Agreement Amendment, and which Holders and, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the Trustee, which beneficial owners have not consented to the proposed Swap Agreement Amendment. If it intends to exercise its Amendment Buy-Out Option pursuant to Section 9.6, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall so notify the Trustee (which notice shall designate a date for the Amendment Buy-Out to occur no earlier than ten Business Days after the date of such notice) no later than five (5) Business Days after so being notified by the Trustee and the Trustee shall mail such notice to all Holders of Securities. Any Non-consenting Holder may give consent to the related proposed Swap Agreement Amendment until the 5<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the date of the Amendment Buy-Out designated by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and in such case shall cease to be a Non-consenting Holder for purposes of the related Amendment Buy-Out. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser exercises its Amendment Buy-Out Option and purchases the applicable Securities pursuant to Section 9.6 below, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser as Holder or beneficial owner of the applicable Securities may consent to the related proposed Swap Agreement Amendment within five (5) Business Days of the Amendment Buy-Out.

(d) It shall not be necessary in connection with any consent of the Holders of any Securities under this Section 7.26 for such Holders to approve the specific form of any proposed amendment, but it shall be sufficient if such consent shall approve the substance thereof.

(e) Promptly after the execution by the Issuer of any Swap Agreement Amendment in accordance with this Section 7.26, the Issuer shall cause to be provided to the Trustee, and the Trustee, at the expense of the Issuers, shall mail to the Holders of the Securities, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Swap Counterparty, the Irish Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class of Securities is listed thereon), the Investment Agreement Counterparty and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Securities are Outstanding) a copy thereof.

## ARTICLE VIII

### TRUST ACCOUNTS; DISTRIBUTIONS

#### SECTION 8.1 Collection of Money.

Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, the Trustee may demand payment or delivery of, and shall receive and (subject to the terms hereof) collect, directly and without intervention or assistance of any fiscal agent or other intermediary, all money and other property payable to or receivable by the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture, including all payments due in respect of the Swap Agreement and the Pledged Securities, in accordance with the terms and conditions hereof and of the Swap Agreement and the Pledged Securities, and the Trustee shall segregate and hold all such money and property received by it in trust for the benefit of the

Secured Parties and shall apply it as provided in this Indenture. In determining the amount of moneys in any trust account at any time, the Trustee shall assume that all of the Eligible Investments are sold or liquidated at market value on the date of determination. The Trustee shall have the right to establish such subaccounts within the accounts described below as the Trustee may deem necessary or appropriate for convenience in administering the Trust Estate.

## SECTION 8.2 Collection Account and Expense Reserve Account.

(a) The Trustee shall, on or prior to the Closing Date, establish a segregated trust account in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties which shall be designated as the “Valhalla CLO, Ltd.–Collection Account” (the “Collection Account”). All moneys credited from time to time to the Collection Account pursuant to this Indenture shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Trust Estate and shall be applied for the purposes provided herein.

(b) Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, the Trustee shall deposit into the Collection Account promptly upon receipt from time to time, (i) the net amount, if any, paid by the Swap Counterparty for any Payment Date in respect of the Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amount and the Fixed Amount, (ii) except as provided in Section 8.3, any Swap Termination Payment paid by the Swap Counterparty in connection with the termination of the Swap Agreement, and (iii) all amounts transferred to the Collection Account pursuant to Section 8.3 and subsection (e) hereof.

(c) On each Payment Date, the Trustee shall distribute applicable Payment Date Proceeds in the Collection Account pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments set forth in Section 8.6(a).

(d) On the Maturity Date and on any Payment Date on which Notes are redeemed pursuant to Section 2.14(b), (d) or (e) or an Income Note Principal Distribution Amount is to be paid, the Trustee, shall in addition to its obligations under clause (c), distribute applicable moneys in the Collection Account pursuant to the Principal Priority of Payments set forth in Section 8.6(b).

(e) The Trustee shall, on or prior to the Closing Date, establish a segregated trust account in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties which shall be designated as the “Valhalla CLO, Ltd.–Expense Reserve Account” (the “Expense Reserve Account”). On the Closing Date, the Issuer will deposit \$17,376,625 in the Expense Reserve Account. On any Business Day from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the last Business Day prior to the first Payment Date, the Trustee shall, upon the written direction of the Initial Purchaser, apply funds from the Expense Reserve Account to pay expenses of the Issuers incurred in connection with the establishment of the Issuers, the structuring and consummation of the offering and the transactions contemplated thereby and the issuance of the Securities. Any funds remaining in the Expense Reserve Account on the last Business Day prior to the first Payment Date will be deposited without further direction by or consent of any Person on such day in the Collection Account for distribution on the first Payment Date in accordance with the Payment Date Priority of Payments and the Expense Reserve Account will be closed. Amounts on deposit in the Expense Reserve Account will be invested in the JPMorgan Fleming US Dollar

Liquidity Fund 6052; provided that such fund then meets the requirements of the definition of Eligible Investment. Any income or other gain from Eligible Investments credited to the Expense Reserve Account shall be credited to, and any loss resulting therefrom shall be charged to, the same Expense Reserve Account.

### SECTION 8.3 Collateral Account.

(a) The Trustee shall, on or prior to the Closing Date, establish a segregated trust account in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties which shall be designated as the “Valhalla CLO, Ltd.–Collateral Account” (the “Collateral Account”). The Issuer shall deposit with the Trustee, and upon receipt the Trustee shall cause to be credited to the Collateral Account, the net proceeds of the Securities (excluding amounts deposited in the Expense Reserve Account pursuant to 8.2(e)). In addition, the Trustee shall deposit into the Collateral Account to the extent received from time to time (i) interest and dividends received in respect of Eligible Investments credited to the Collateral Account and (ii) amounts to be deposited in the Collateral Account pursuant to Section 3.4(b). In addition, on each Payment Date, an amount equal to the Quarterly Aggregate Increase Amount, if any, for such date, will be deposited in the Collateral Account in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

(b) On each Payment Date other than the Maturity Date, Optional Redemption Date or Tax Redemption Date, the Trustee shall transfer from the Collateral Account to the Collection Account (i) an amount equal to the investment income received on the Eligible Investments in the Collateral Account during the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period and (ii) other amounts in the Collateral Account that constitute Payment Date Proceeds for such Payment Date or that are to be disbursed in accordance with the Principal Priority of Payments on such Payment Date.

(c) On the Maturity Date, Optional Redemption Date or Tax Redemption Date, the Trustee shall transfer to the Collection Account all of the moneys in the Collateral Account following sale or liquidation of Eligible Investments pursuant to clause (e).

(d) In the event of the early termination of the Swap Agreement, the Trustee shall apply amounts in the Collateral Account to pay to the Swap Counterparty any Swap Termination Payment owed to it pursuant to the Swap Agreement on the applicable Early Termination Date (as defined in the Swap Agreement), provided that any Swap Termination Payment due to the Swap Counterparty as a result of a Swap Event of Default as to which the Swap Counterparty is the defaulting party or a Swap Additional Termination Event as to which the Swap Counterparty is the affected party will be paid on the next Payment Date in accordance with Section 8.6.

(e) The Trustee shall sell, liquidate or make withdrawals from Eligible Investments in the Trust Accounts to the extent necessary to make any of the payments set forth in paragraphs (b), (c) or (d) above. Any such sales or liquidation shall be made at the direction of the Swap Counterparty (or the direction of the Reference Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Swap Counterparty); provided that the Swap Counterparty (or the Reference Portfolio Manager on its behalf) shall not be entitled to give such direction if (i) a Swap Event of Default as to which the Swap Counterparty is the defaulting party has occurred and is continuing, (ii) a Swap Additional Termination Event has occurred and is continuing or (iii) the Swap Agreement has

been terminated and all amounts owed to the Swap Counterparty thereunder have been paid in full, in each of which cases the Requisite Noteholders shall be entitled to give such direction.

#### SECTION 8.4 Investment of Moneys.

(a) Except as provided in Section 8.2(e), the Trustee shall invest moneys held from time to time in each Trust Account pursuant to (b) below in one or more Eligible Investments pursuant to the written direction of the Swap Counterparty as Secured Party (or the Reference Portfolio Manager on its behalf) (which may be in the form of standing instructions); provided, that the Swap Counterparty (or the Reference Portfolio Manager on its behalf) shall not be entitled to give such direction if (i) a Swap Event of Default as to which the Swap Counterparty is the defaulting party has occurred and is continuing, (ii) a Swap Additional Termination Event has occurred and is continuing or (iii) the Swap Agreement has been terminated and all amounts owed to the Swap Counterparty thereunder have been paid in full, in each of which cases the Requisite Noteholders shall be entitled to give such direction. If the Trustee does not receive such written directions within three days of receipt of uninvested moneys (whether by reason of a new deposit of moneys or payments in respect of, or realized upon the maturity of, existing Eligible Investments), the Trustee shall invest such moneys in Eligible Investments described in clause (a) of the definition thereof. If a written direction with respect to an investment is not received by the Trustee by 11:00 a.m. (New York City time) on any Business Day, the Trustee shall use its best efforts to effect the investment thereof on such date, but in no event later than the next Business Day. The Trustee shall not be obligated to pay interest on any uninvested moneys. Each Eligible Investment other than any Eligible Investment constituting a general intangible, a deposit account or an account shall be credited to the Trust Account to which the moneys used to make such Eligible Investment were credited, and any income or other gain therefrom shall be credited to, and any loss resulting therefrom shall be charged to, the same Trust Account. Any Eligible Investments constituting general intangibles, deposit accounts and accounts shall be Delivered to the Trustee. The Trustee shall not be liable by reason of any investment loss realized in connection with any Eligible Investment.

(b) The Eligible Investments in the Collateral Account and the Collection Account shall be required to mature and be payable as follows:

(i) The Collateral Account. The Eligible Investments in the Collateral Account (other than the Investment Agreement) shall be required to mature on or before the Business Day prior to the next Payment Date. The initial Eligible Investments in the Collateral Account shall be the Investment Agreement which the Issuer and the Trustee, as requested and directed hereby by the Issuer, will enter into on the Closing Date. The Trustee shall not acquire any replacement Eligible Investments therefor unless the Trustee shall have received Rating Confirmation for any such replacement Eligible Investments. The Trustee shall notify each Rating Agency of any replacement guarantee under the Investment Agreement or any failure by the counterparty to the Investment Agreement to post collateral when required to do so thereunder. The Trustee will perform the functions assigned to the Trustee under the Investment Agreement; provided that the Trustee shall exercise remedies in the event of a default thereunder, or give or withhold (i) any consent of the Trustee to a replacement collateral agent under the Investment Agreement or (ii) approval to a transfer of the Investment Agreement or

withdrawal of the balance of the investment in the case of a downgrade of the Investment Agreement Counterparty, in each case as directed in writing by or on behalf of the Swap Counterparty as a Secured Party under this Indenture (unless the Swap Agreement has been terminated and all amounts owed thereunder to the Swap Counterparty have been paid in full, in which case as directed by the Requisite Noteholders). Additional amounts deposited in the Collateral Account from time to time (including the Quarterly Aggregate Increase Amounts, if any) shall be invested in the Investment Agreement to the extent permitted thereunder.

(ii) The Collection Account. The Eligible Investments in the Collection Account at any time shall be required to mature on or before the Business Day prior to the next Payment Date.

(c) During the term of the Investment Agreement, if there is a replacement of the guarantee or the guarantor pursuant thereto, the Trustee will request Rating Confirmation with respect to such change in guarantee or guarantor, as the case may be.

#### SECTION 8.5 Status of Account; Securities Intermediary.

(a) Each of the Collection Account, the Expense Reserve Account and the Collateral Account (collectively, the “Trust Accounts”) shall be at all times an Eligible Account at an Eligible Institution established as a “securities account” with a “securities intermediary” (each of the foregoing terms in quotations is used as defined in the UCC (and, if different, the Uniform Commercial Code in the securities intermediary’s jurisdiction as set forth in the Account Agreement) pursuant to an agreement or arrangement causing the institution with which such securities account is maintained to maintain such securities account in accordance with the Account Agreement. The Trustee is appointed as the initial Securities Intermediary hereunder and the Trustee accepts such appointment.

(b) The Securities Intermediary shall and JPMorgan Chase Bank as initial Securities Intermediary does represent and warrant that it is as of the date it accepts such appointment and shall be for so long as it is the Securities Intermediary hereunder, a corporation or bank that in the ordinary course of business maintains securities accounts for others and is acting in that capacity hereunder. The Trustee shall ensure that each Securities Intermediary with which a Trust Account is maintained, and JPMorgan Chase Bank as initial Securities Intermediary, does (i) agree with the parties hereto that each of the Trust Accounts shall be an account to which “financial assets” may be credited, (ii) undertake to treat the Trustee as the sole “entitlement holder” for each of the Trust Accounts, (iii) agree with the parties hereto that the cash balances in each Trust Account and all other property credited to each Trust Account shall constitute “financial assets” and (iv) agree with the parties hereto that the “Securities Intermediary’s jurisdiction” shall be the State of New York (it being understood that each of the foregoing terms in quotations is used as defined in the UCC) and that the establishment and maintenance of each Trust Account will be governed by the law of the State of New York. Each of the accounts shall be a segregated account in the name of the Trustee, and all Eligible Investments shall be Delivered to the Securities Intermediary in accordance with the definition given to that term in this Indenture.

(c) The Securities Intermediary shall and JPMorgan Chase Bank as initial Securities Intermediary does:

(i) covenant that it will not take any action concerning the Trust Accounts that is inconsistent with the provisions of this Indenture;

(ii) represent and covenant that it is not and will not be as long as it is the Securities Intermediary hereunder a party to any agreement concerning a Trust Account that is inconsistent with the provisions of this Indenture; and

(iii) agree that any item of property credited to a Trust Account shall not be subject to any security interest, lien, or right of setoff in favor of the Securities Intermediary, or to the extent within the Securities Intermediary's control, anyone claiming through the Securities Intermediary (other than the Trustee) other than (A) amounts due to the Securities Intermediary in respect of customary fees and expenses for the routine maintenance and operation of the Trust Accounts, (B) the face amount of any checks which have been credited to the Trust Accounts but are subsequently returned unpaid because of uncollected or insufficient funds and (C) any overdraft or advance in respect of the settlement of investments acquired for credit to such account.

(d) The Securities Intermediary may at any time resign by notice to the Trustee, may at any time be removed by notice from the Trustee, and shall be removed by notice from the Trustee within 10 days after the Trustee has actual notice that any Trust Account is no longer an Eligible Account with such Securities Intermediary, that the Securities Intermediary is no longer an Eligible Institution, or that the Securities Intermediary no longer satisfies the requirements of this Indenture. Upon such resignation or removal, the Trustee shall appoint a successor Securities Intermediary satisfying the requirements of this Indenture and shall cause the Trust Accounts to be established and maintained with such successor Securities Intermediary in accordance with the terms hereof, and the responsibilities and duties of the retiring Securities Intermediary hereunder shall remain in effect until all of the Trust Estate credited to the Trust Accounts has been transferred to such successor.

#### SECTION 8.6 Priority of Payments.

(a) On each Payment Date, the Trustee shall distribute Payment Date Proceeds in the Collection Account in the following order of priority (the "Payment Date Priority of Payments"):

(i) to the payment of any accrued and unpaid Administrative Expenses (in the order set forth in the definition thereof) up to the Expense Cap Amount;

(ii) (x) to the Swap Counterparty, the net amount, if any, payable to the Swap Counterparty under the Swap Agreement on such date in respect of the Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amount, the Fixed Amount and any Swap Termination Payment due to the Swap Counterparty (except any Swap Termination Payment due to the Swap Counterparty upon the early termination of the Swap Agreement as a result of a Swap Event of Default as to which the Swap Counterparty is the defaulting party or as a result of a Swap Additional Termination Event, and excluding



any Swap Termination Payment previously paid pursuant to Section 8.3), and any such net amounts not paid from prior Payment Dates and (y) to the Collateral Account, an amount equal to the Quarterly Aggregate Increase Amount, if any, for such Payment Date;

(iii) to the Holders of Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-1 Interest Amount;

(iv) to the Holders of Class A-2 Notes, the Class A-2 Interest Amount;

(v) following the Ramp-up End Date, if any Class A-1 Notes or Class A-2 Notes are then Outstanding and if either the Class A OC Test or the Class A Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date, to the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1 Notes, and, following the redemption of all Class A-1 Notes, to the Holders of the Class A-2 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2 Notes, such that such tests are satisfied as of the related Determination Date;

(vi) to the Holders of the Class B Notes, the Class B Interest Amount;

(vii) following the Ramp-up End Date, if any Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes or Class B Notes are then Outstanding and if either the Class B OC Test or the Class B Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date, to the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1 Notes, and following the redemption of all Class A-1 Notes, to the Holders of the Class A-2 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2 Notes, and following the redemption of all Class A-2 Notes, to the Holders of the Class B Notes, first, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes and then, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B Notes, such that such tests are satisfied as of the related Determination Date;

(viii) to the Holders of the Class B Notes, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes;

(ix) on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes, the Class C-1 Interest Amount and to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes, the Class C-2 Interest Amount;

(x) following the Ramp-up End Date, if any Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes, Class B Notes or Class C Notes are then Outstanding and if either the Class C OC Test or the Class C Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date, to the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1 Notes, and following the redemption of all Class A-1 Notes, to the Holders of the Class A-2 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2 Notes, and following the redemption of all Class A-2 Notes, to the Holders of the Class B Notes, first, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes and then, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B Notes, and following the redemption of all Class B Notes, first, on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C-1 Notes and to

the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C-2 Notes and then, on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-1 Notes and to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-2 Notes, such that such tests are satisfied as of the related Determination Date;

(xi) on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C-1 Notes and to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C-2 Notes;

(xii) in the event that either Rating Agency has not confirmed in writing its rating in effect on the Closing Date on each Class of Senior Notes as of the 30<sup>th</sup> day following the Ramp-up End Date, to the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1 Notes and, following the redemption of all Class A-1 Notes, to the Holders of the Class A-2 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2 Notes and, following the redemption of all Class A-2 Notes, to the Holders of the Class B Notes, first, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes and then, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B Notes, and following the redemption of all Class B Notes, first, on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C-1 Notes and to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C-2 Notes and then, on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-1 Notes and to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-2 Notes, until each such rating is confirmed;

(xiii) to the Swap Counterparty, any Swap Termination Payment due to it upon the early termination of the Swap Agreement as a result of a Swap Event of Default as to which the Swap Counterparty is the defaulting party or as a result of a Swap Additional Termination Event, and excluding any Swap Termination Payment previously paid pursuant to Section 8.3;

(xiv) following the Ramp-up End Date, if any Class B Notes or Class C Notes are then Outstanding and if the Diversion Test is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date, an amount equal to 50% of the remaining Payment Date Proceeds, (i) first, on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class B Notes, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C-1 Notes and to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C-2 Notes, and (ii) then, on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class B Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B Notes, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-1 Notes and to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-2 Notes;

(xv) to the payment first of any accrued and unpaid Administrative Expenses (in the order set forth in the definition thereof) to the extent not paid pursuant to

clause (i) above and then, to the payment of any accrued and unpaid Subordinated Administrative Expenses;

(xvi) to the payment of any unpaid Extension Bonus Payments (i) first, to the applicable Holders of Class A-1 Notes, (ii) then, to the applicable Holders of Class A-2 Notes, (iii) then, to the applicable Holders of Class B Notes, and (iv) then, on a pro rata basis, to the applicable Holders of Class C-1 Notes and the applicable Holders of Class C-2 Notes; and

(xvii) the remainder, to the Holders of the Income Notes (the “Net Income Note Periodic Return Amount”).

(b) On (A) the Maturity Date, the Optional Redemption Date or the Tax Redemption Date and (B) each other Payment Date on which Senior Notes are to be redeemed pursuant to Section 2.14(b) or, after all Senior Notes are redeemed, an Income Note Principal Distribution Amount is to be paid on the Income Notes, the Trustee will distribute the principal proceeds of Eligible Investments (after payment of any amounts payable therefrom pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments and, in the case of clause (B), using principal proceeds in an amount not to exceed the Note Redemption Amount for such date), and in the case of the Maturity Date, the Optional Redemption Date or the Tax Redemption Date, any other amounts on deposit in the Trust Accounts to make the following payments in the following order of priority (the “Principal Priority of Payments”):

(i) to the payment of any accrued and unpaid Administrative Expenses (in the order set forth in the definition thereof) up to the Expense Cap Amount, to the extent not paid pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments;

(ii) to the Swap Counterparty, the net amount, if any, payable to the Swap Counterparty under the Swap Agreement on such date in respect of the Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amount, the Fixed Amount, and any Swap Termination Payment due to the Swap Counterparty (except any Swap Termination Payment due to the Swap Counterparty upon the early termination of the Swap Agreement as a result of a Swap Event of Default as to which the Swap Counterparty is the defaulting party or as a result of a Swap Additional Termination Event), and any such net amounts not paid from prior Payment Dates, in any case to the extent not paid pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments or Section 8.3;

(iii) to the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes, any accrued and unpaid Class A-1 Interest Amount, to the extent not paid pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments;

(iv) to the Holders of the Class A-2 Notes, any accrued and unpaid Class A-2 Interest Amount, to the extent not paid pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments;

(v) following the Ramp-up End Date, if any Class A-1 Notes or Class A-2 Notes are then Outstanding and if either the Class A OC Test or the Class A Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date, to the Holders of the

Class A-1 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1 Notes and, following the redemption of all Class A-1 Notes, to the Holders of the Class A-2 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2 Notes, such that such tests are satisfied as of the related Determination Date;

(vi) to the Holders of the Class B Notes, any accrued and unpaid Class B Interest Amount, to the extent not paid pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments;

(vii) following the Ramp-up End Date, if any Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes or Class B Notes are then Outstanding and if either the Class B OC Test or the Class B Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date, to the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1 Notes, and following the redemption of all Class A-1 Notes, to the Holders of the Class A-2 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2 Notes, and following the redemption of all Class A-2 Notes, to the Holders of the Class B Notes, first, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes and then, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B Notes, such that such tests are satisfied as of the related Determination Date;

(viii) on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes, the accrued and unpaid Class C-1 Interest Amount and to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes, the accrued and unpaid Class C-2 Interest Amount, to the extent not paid pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments;

(ix) following the Ramp-up End Date, if any Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes, Class B Notes or Class C Notes are then Outstanding and if either the Class C OC Test or the Class C Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date, to the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1 Notes, and following the redemption of all Class A-1 Notes, to the Holders of the Class A-2 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2 Notes, and following the redemption of all Class A-2 Notes, to the Holders of the Class B Notes, first, all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes and then, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B Notes, and following the redemption of all Class B Notes, first, on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C-1 Notes and to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes all accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C-2 Notes and then, on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-1 Notes and to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-2 Notes, such that such tests are satisfied as of the related Determination Date;

(x) to the Holders of the Class A-1 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1 Notes;

(xi) to the Holders of the Class A-2 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2 Notes;

(xii) to the Holders of the Class B Notes, any accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes, to the extent not paid pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments;

(xiii) to the Holders of the Class B Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B Notes;

(xiv) on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes, any accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C-1 Notes and to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes, any accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C-2 Notes, to the extent not paid pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments;

(xv) on a pro rata basis, to the Holders of the Class C-1 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-1 Notes and to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-2 Notes, and, in the case of the Optional Redemption Date, the Make-whole Premium in respect of the Class C-2 Notes;

(xvi) to the Swap Counterparty, any Swap Termination Payment due to it upon the early termination of the Swap Agreement as a result of a Swap Event of Default as to which the Swap Counterparty is the defaulting party or as a result of a Swap Additional Termination Event, to the extent not paid pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments or Section 8.3;

(xvii) to the payment first of accrued and unpaid Administrative Expenses (in the order set forth in the definition thereof) to the extent not paid pursuant to clause (i) above or pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments and then, to the payment of accrued and unpaid Subordinated Administrative Expenses to the extent not paid pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments;

(xviii) to the payment of any unpaid Extension Bonus Payments (i) first, to the applicable Holders of Class A-1 Notes, (ii) then, to the applicable Holders of Class A-2 Notes, (iii) then, to the applicable Holders of Class B Notes, and (iv) then, on a pro rata basis, to the applicable Holders of Class C-1 Notes and the applicable Holders of Class C-2 Notes, to the extent not paid pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments; and

(xix) to the Holders of the Income Notes, (a) on any Payment Date (other than the Maturity Date, the Optional Redemption Date or the Tax Redemption Date), the remainder, as an Income Note Principal Distribution Amount (the "Income Note Principal Distribution Amount") or (b) on the Maturity Date, the Optional Redemption Date or the Tax Redemption Date, the remainder (the "Final Income Note Distribution Amount").

(c) Anything in this Article VIII to the contrary notwithstanding, upon the occurrence of any Event of Default and the acceleration of the Notes pursuant to Article V hereof, moneys collected or received by the Trustee shall be distributed as provided in Section 5.8 hereof.

(d) For purposes of any paragraph of the Priority of Payments that requires funds to be applied if one or more specified Coverage Tests are not satisfied to the extent necessary to cause such Coverage Tests to be satisfied, satisfaction of such Coverage Tests will be determined as of the related Determination Date giving effect to all payments to be made on the applicable Payment Date prior to the payment of amounts under the applicable paragraph (and for this purpose, all payments made on any Payment Date pursuant to Section 8.6(a) will be deemed made prior to all payments, if any, made on such date pursuant to Section 8.6(b)). Pro rata payments of principal among pari passu Classes of Notes will be based upon the principal amount of such Notes outstanding on the date of payment, and pro rata payments of interest among pari passu Classes of Notes shall be based upon the amount of interest payable on such Notes on the date of payment. Payments with respect to any Class of Notes will be made to all Holders of Notes of such Class on a pro rata basis based on each Holder's holding of such Notes. Pro rata payments of Extension Bonus Payments among Holders of pari passu Classes of Notes shall be based upon the amount of Extension Bonus Payments payable to such Holders on the date of payment. Payments of Extension Bonus Payments will be made to the Holders to which they are payable on a pro rata basis based on each such Holder's holding of the applicable Notes with respect to which the Extension Bonus Payment is determined.

#### SECTION 8.7 Monthly Reports.

Not later than the 10th Business Day after the Monthly Report Determination Date, commencing in November 2004, the Issuer or its agent will compile and provide to the Trustee, the Swap Counterparty, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Investment Agreement Counterparty, the Rating Agencies and the Holders of the Securities a report (the "Monthly Report"); provided, that no Monthly Report shall have to be delivered in any month in which a Payment Date Valuation Report is being delivered. Each Monthly Report shall contain the following information with respect to the calendar month in which the Monthly Report Determination Date falls:

(a) Sources and uses of funds during the calendar month:

- (i) earnings received on Eligible Investments;
- (ii) the Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amount payable from or to the Swap Counterparty, if any;
- (iii) a calculation in reasonable detail of the Fixed Amount; and
- (iv) any other payments made or received during such calendar month.

(b) Collection Account Information:

- (i) the amount of funds and Eligible Investments credited to the Collection Account as of the first day of the calendar month; and
- (ii) the amount of funds and Eligible Investments credited to the Collection Account as of the last day of the calendar month.

(c) Expense Reserve Account Information:

(i) the amount of funds and investments credited to the Expense Reserve Account as of the first day of the calendar month; and

(ii) the amount of funds and investments credited to the Expense Reserve Account as of the last day of the calendar month.

(d) Collateral Account Information:

(i) the amount of funds and Eligible Investments credited to the Collateral Account as of the first day of the calendar month;

(ii) the amount of funds, if any, deposited into the Collateral Account during the calendar month;

(iii) the amount of funds, if any, withdrawn from the Collateral Account during the calendar month; and

(iv) the amount of funds and Eligible Investments credited to the Collateral Account as of the last day of the calendar month.

(e) Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account Information:

(i) the amount of funds and Eligible Investments credited to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account as of the first day of the calendar month;

(ii) the amount of funds, if any, deposited into the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account during the calendar month;

(iii) the amount of funds, if any, withdrawn from the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account during the calendar month; and

(iv) the amount of funds and Eligible Investments credited to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account as of the last day of the calendar month.

(f) Coverage Tests:

(i) the Overcollateralization Ratios as of the last day of the preceding calendar month and as of the last day of the calendar month, and the components thereof;

(ii) the Interest Coverage Ratios as of the last day of the preceding calendar month and as of the last day of the calendar month, and the components thereof;

(iii) the Class Q-2A Coverage Ratio as of the last day of the preceding calendar month and as of the last day of the calendar month, and the components thereof; and

(iv) a statement as to whether each of the Coverage Tests and the Class Q-2A Coverage Test has been satisfied.

(g) Eligible Investments: with respect to each Eligible Investment credited to the Collateral Account, as of the last day of the calendar month, its principal balance or maturity value, its interest rate, stated maturity, issuer, rating by Moody's and rating by Standard & Poor's (including whether such rating is on watch for downgrade or upgrade).

(h) Information regarding the Reference Portfolio (as of the Monthly Report Determination Date):

- (i) the identity of each Reference Entity and Reference Obligation;
- (ii) the Reference Obligation Calculation Amount and the Reference Value of each Reference Obligation in the Reference Portfolio, and the Aggregate Reference Obligation Calculation Amount and the Aggregate Reference Value;
- (iii) the current Moody's Rating and Standard & Poor's Rating of each Reference Obligation and Underlying Obligation;
- (iv) the Weighted Average Rating of the Reference Obligations in the Reference Portfolio and the maximum allowed by the Reference Portfolio Criteria;
- (v) the Diversity Score for the Reference Portfolio and the minimum allowed by the Reference Portfolio Criteria;
- (vi) whether any Reference Obligation is on watch for a rating upgrade or downgrade;
- (vii) the current spread payable for each Reference Obligation and the commitment fee on the undrawn portion thereof, if any;
- (viii) a reasonably detailed calculation of the Reference Portfolio Criteria, including the methodology used to calculate the Reference Portfolio Criteria, and evidence of compliance with the Reference Portfolio Criteria;
- (ix) a statement as to whether each of the Reference Portfolio Criteria has or has not been satisfied;
- (x) the level of funding of any Reference Obligations that are Revolving Loans;
- (xi) the weighted average Reference Price of all Reference Obligations;
- (xii) the weighted average credit spread of all Reference Obligations (including for funded and unfunded portions thereof); and



(xiii) the five Moody's Industry Classification Groups representing the highest concentration of Reference Obligations by Reference Obligation Calculation Amount, and the portion of the Portfolio Calculation Amount represented by each such group.

(i) Defaulted Reference Obligations:

(i) the identity of each Defaulted Reference Obligation and the corresponding Reference Obligation Calculation Amount and Reference Price, as well as the aggregate Reference Obligation Calculation Amount for all Defaulted Reference Obligations;

(ii) the date of the Credit Event;

(iii) the type of Credit Event;

(iv) the Market Value of each Defaulted Reference Obligation; and

(v) the weighted average Reference Price of all Defaulted Reference Obligations.

(j) Modification Activity (during the calendar month):

(i) the identity of each Reference Obligation (and whether the obligation is a Credit Risk Obligation, Credit Improved Obligation or other) that was removed (including the Removal Date), or with respect to which an Amortization occurred, its corresponding Reference Obligation Calculation Amount, the relevant Final Price (in the case of a removal) and the related Obligation Value Increase Amount or Obligation Value Reduction Amount, as applicable;

(ii) the identity, Addition Date, Reference Entity, Reference Price, Reference Obligation Calculation Amount and Reference Value of each Reference Obligation added to the Reference Portfolio; and

(iii) the Accrued Increase/Reduction Amount.

At least four Business Days prior to the date on which such report must be delivered, the Issuer or its agent shall provide a copy of the proposed Monthly Report to the Trustee, the Swap Counterparty and the Reference Portfolio Manager. Upon receipt of such proposed Monthly Report, the Trustee and the Reference Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Swap Counterparty will compare the information contained therein to the information contained in their respective records with respect to the Trust Estate and the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral and the Reference Portfolio and shall, within three Business Days after receipt of such proposed Monthly Report, notify the Issuer or its agent and each other if the information contained in the proposed Monthly Report does not conform to the information maintained by such party with respect to the Trust Estate and the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral and the Reference Portfolio, and detail any discrepancies. In the event that any discrepancy exists, the Issuer or its agent, the Trustee, and the Reference Portfolio Manager shall attempt to promptly resolve the discrepancy.

If such discrepancy cannot be promptly resolved on such third Business Day, the Trustee shall within two Business Days thereafter cause Independent Accountants to be appointed to review such proposed Monthly Report and the records of the Trustee and the Reference Portfolio Manager, as applicable, to determine the cause of such discrepancy. If such review reveals an error in the proposed Monthly Report or the Trustee's or Reference Portfolio Manager's records, the proposed Monthly Report or the Trustee's or Reference Portfolio Manager's records, as the case may be, shall be revised accordingly and, as so revised, shall be utilized in making all further calculations. Pursuant to the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement, the Reference Portfolio Manager has agreed to provide, or cause to be provided, on behalf of the Swap Counterparty, to the Collateral Administrator and/or the Independent Accountants access to all information in the possession of the Reference Portfolio Manager relating to the Reference Portfolio for purposes of compiling (or providing information required for) the Monthly Report.

#### SECTION 8.8 Payment Date Valuation Reports.

With respect to each Payment Date (and the Maturity Date) the Issuer or its agent shall render an accounting with respect to the Trust Estate, the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral and Reference Portfolio (each such accounting, a "Payment Date Valuation Report"), and provide such Payment Date Valuation Report no later than the related Payment Date (and the Maturity Date) to the Trustee, the Swap Counterparty, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Investment Agreement Counterparty, the Independent Accountants, the Rating Agencies and the Holders of the Securities (and upon request to the Trustee by a beneficial owner of a Security, to such beneficial owner). The Payment Date Valuation Report shall contain the following information with respect to the related Payment Date determined as of the Determination Date:

(a) Calculation of certain amounts (including shortfalls from prior Payment Dates):

(i) as of the Determination Date, a calculation in reasonable detail of the Overcollateralization Ratios and the Interest Coverage Ratios and a statement as to whether each Coverage Test has or has not been satisfied, and if any Coverage Test has not been satisfied, the amount required for the payment of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each relevant Class of Notes in order to achieve compliance for each such Coverage Test;

(ii) the applicable interest rate in respect of each Class of Notes for such Payment Date and the amount of interest payable for each Class of Notes on such Payment Date;

(iii) the amount of Administrative Expenses (in the categories set forth in the definition thereof) and the Expense Cap Amount for such Payment Date;

(iv) the amount of any Accrued Swap Liabilities payable on such Payment Date;

(v) the Base Amount, Subordinate Amount and Incentive Amount for such Payment Date;

(vi) the amount of any principal payable in respect of any Class of Notes and the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Notes;

(vii) with respect to the Class Q Securities, (A) the stated amount of the Class Q-1 Securities, (B) the Class Q-1 Nominal Principal (and, after the Class Q-1 Nominal Principal has been reduced to \$1,000, any amount in excess of the Class Q-1 Nominal Interest, as “additional return on capital” with respect to the Class Q-1 Securities), (C) the Class Q-1 Rated Principal, (D) the Class Q-1 Nominal Interest, (E) the Class Q-1 Excess Distribution, (F) the applicable interest rate in respect of the Class Q-2A Securities and the amount of interest payable for the Class Q-2A Securities on such Payment Date, (G) the amount of any principal payable in respect of the Class Q-2A Securities and the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class Q-2A Securities, (H) the distributions, if any, in respect of the Class Q-2B Securities for such Payment Date and for the preceding Payment Date, (I) as of the Determination Date, a calculation in reasonable detail of the Class Q-2A Coverage Ratio and a statement as to whether the Class Q-2A Coverage Test has been satisfied and the amount that would be required for the payment of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class Q-2A Securities in order to achieve compliance with the Class Q-2A Coverage Test, (J) amounts in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account applied in accordance with the Class Q-2 Priority of Payments, and (K) the amount of funds available in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account as of the first day of the preceding Collection Period and the balance therein remaining on the last day of such preceding Collection Period;

(viii) the distributions, if any, in respect of the Income Notes for such Payment Date and for the preceding Payment Date; and

(viii) the Outstanding Premium for that Payment Date.

(b) Application of amounts in the Collection Account in accordance with the Payment Date Priority of Payments: the amount of funds available in the Collection Account as of the first day of the preceding Collection Period and the balance therein remaining on the last day of such preceding Collection Period.

(c) Application of amounts in the Expense Reserve Account

(d) Application of amounts in the Collateral Account:

(i) the amount of funds and Eligible Investments credited to the Collateral Account as of the first day of the preceding Collection Period;

(ii) the application of such funds during such Collection Period; and

(iii) the balance of funds and Eligible Investments credited to the Collateral Account as of the last day of such Collection Period.

(e) For the Reference Portfolio:

(i) the Aggregate Reference Obligation Calculation Amount and Aggregate Reference Value of the Reference Obligations in the Reference Portfolio as of the close of business on the related Determination Date, after giving effect to any removals or additions of Reference Obligations during such Collection Period;

(ii) the Reference Obligation Calculation Amounts of the Reference Obligations under the Swap Agreement;

(iii) the amount due and received under the Swap Agreement from the Swap Counterparty during the Collection Period;

(iv) the identity of each Defaulted Reference Obligation in the Reference Portfolio; and

(v) the Quarterly Aggregate Increase Amount, the Quarterly Aggregate Reduction Amount, and the Quarterly Amortization Increase Amount

(f) The information required to be contained in a Monthly Report pursuant to Section 8.7 determined as of the Determination Date.

At least four Business Days prior to the date on which such report must be delivered, the Issuer or its agent shall provide a copy of the proposed Payment Date Valuation Report to the Trustee, the Reference Portfolio Manager and the Swap Counterparty. Upon receipt of such proposed Payment Date Valuation Report, the Trustee and the Reference Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Swap Counterparty shall compare the information contained therein to the information contained in their respective records with respect to the Trust Estate and the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral and the Reference Portfolio and shall, within three Business Days after receipt of such Payment Date Valuation Report, notify the Issuer or its agent and each other if the information contained in the proposed Payment Date Valuation Report does not conform to the information maintained by such party with respect to the Trust Estate and the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral and the Reference Portfolio, and detail any discrepancies. In the event that any discrepancy exists, the Issuer or its agent, the Trustee and the Reference Portfolio Manager shall attempt to promptly resolve the discrepancy. If such discrepancy cannot be promptly resolved on such third Business Day, the Trustee shall within two Business Days thereafter cause the Independent Accountants to be appointed to review such proposed Payment Date Valuation Reports and the records of the Trustee and the Reference Portfolio Manager, as applicable, to determine the cause of such discrepancy. If such review reveals an error in the proposed Payment Date Valuation Report or the Trustee's or Reference Portfolio Manager's records, the proposed Payment Date Valuation Report or Trustee's or Reference Portfolio Manager's records, as the case may be, shall be revised accordingly and, as so revised, shall be utilized in making all further calculations. Pursuant to the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement, the Reference Portfolio Manager has agreed to provide, or cause to be provided, on behalf of the Swap Counterparty, to the Collateral Administrator and/or the Independent Accountants access to all information in the possession of the Reference Portfolio Manager

relating to the Reference Portfolio for purposes of compiling (or providing information required for) the Payment Date Valuation Report.

In addition to the foregoing information, each Payment Date Valuation Report shall include a Reminder Notice substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit M hereto (a “Reminder Notice”).

#### SECTION 8.9 Reports by Independent Accountants.

(a) On or before the Closing Date, the Issuer shall appoint a firm of independent certified public accountants of recognized national reputation approved as of such date by the Swap Counterparty (the “Independent Accountants”). Upon any resignation by such firm or removal of such firm, the Issuer shall promptly appoint a successor thereto (with the consent of the Swap Counterparty) that shall also be a firm of independent certified public accountants of recognized national reputation. If the Issuer shall fail to appoint a successor to the Independent Accountants upon their resignation or removal within 15 days after such resignation or removal, the Trustee shall promptly notify the Issuer and the Swap Counterparty of such failure in writing. If the Issuer shall not have appointed a successor within ten days thereafter, the Trustee shall promptly appoint (with the consent of the Swap Counterparty) a successor firm of independent certified public accountants of recognized national reputation with such fees and expenses to be paid as an Administrative Expense.

(b) No later than 30 calendar days following the Ramp-up End Date, the Issuer shall cause to be delivered to the Trustee, Swap Counterparty, Rating Agencies and Reference Portfolio Manager a statement from the Independent Accountants as to whether the Reference Portfolio complied with the Reference Portfolio Criteria as of the Ramp-up End Date (and if not, specifying the respects in which it did not).

#### SECTION 8.10 Posting of Reports on Repository at Option of the Initial Purchaser.

The Issuer acknowledges and agrees that, to the extent requested by the Initial Purchaser, the Issuer shall post each Monthly Report and Payment Date Valuation Report to the Repository for use in the manner provided in the Repository. In connection therewith, the Issuer agrees, upon the request of the Initial Purchaser, to deliver or otherwise make available each Monthly Report and Payment Date Valuation Report to the Repository in the manner provided in Section 11.6 for posting on the Repository.

#### SECTION 8.11 Notices to Rating Agencies.

In addition to the information and reports specifically required to be provided to the Rating Agencies pursuant to the terms of this Indenture (including pursuant to Section 7.14, 8.7 and 8.8), the Issuer shall provide or cause to be provided to the Rating Agencies (i) written notice of any amendment, modification, termination or assignment of any Basic Document, the Administration Agreement, the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement or the Note Purchase Agreement and of resignation, termination or removal of any party thereto, (ii) notice of the redemption in full of any Class of Securities then rated by such Rating Agency, (iii) any report provided to the Holders of Securities pursuant to this Indenture and (iv) such additional information as the Rating Agencies may from time to time reasonably request in connection with

their ratings of the Senior Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities and the Issuer (or its agent) determines in its sole discretion may be obtained and provided without unreasonable burden or expense.

## ARTICLE IX

### SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURES

#### SECTION 9.1 Supplemental Indentures Without Consent of Noteholders.

Without the consent of the Holders of the Notes but with the consent of the Swap Counterparty, the Issuers and the Trustee, at any time and from time to time, may enter into one or more indentures supplemental hereto, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, in order to:

(a) evidence the succession of any Person to either the Issuer or Co-Issuer and the assumption by any such successor of the covenants of the Issuer or Co-Issuer in the Securities and the Indenture or to change the name of either of the Issuers;

(b) provide for definitive Notes as contemplated by Section 2.5(d) and (e);

(c) add to the covenants of the Issuers for the benefit of the Holders of the Securities or the Swap Counterparty;

(d) pledge any additional property to or with the Trustee;

(e) evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment by a successor trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of this Indenture as shall be necessary to facilitate the administration of the Trust Estate or the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral by more than one trustee;

(f) correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of this Indenture;

(g) cure any ambiguity, or correct, modify or supplement any provision hereof which is defective or inconsistent with any other provision herein or in the Offering Circular;

(h) make any change required by the Irish Stock Exchange (so long as any of the Securities are listed thereon), or any other stock exchange on which any Class of Securities is listed in order to permit or maintain the listing of the Securities thereon;

(i) modify transfer restrictions on any Securities so long as any such modifications comply with the Securities Act, the Investment Company Act, ERISA and other applicable laws and any additional transfer restrictions imposed are reasonably necessary to comply with such laws (or any applicable exemption therefrom);

(j) take any action necessary or helpful to prevent the Issuer or the Trustee from becoming subject to any withholding or other taxes or assessments or to reduce the risk that the

Issuer will be engaged in a United States trade or business or otherwise subject to United States federal income tax on a net income basis;

(k) provide for additional or modified reports to Holders of Securities; or

(l) amend, modify or change any test or requirement of any Rating Agency hereunder where such amendment, modification or change has been specified or authorized by such Rating Agency (and notice thereof has been provided to the Trustee, Swap Counterparty and Reference Portfolio Manager);

provided, that, in each case, the Trustee shall have received Rating Confirmation for such supplemental indenture; provided, further, that the Trustee may, with the consent of the Holders of 100% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Senior Notes and Class Q-1 Securities affected thereby and with the consent of the Swap Counterparty, enter into any such supplemental indenture notwithstanding any qualification, downgrade or withdrawal of the then-current ratings of any such Class of Senior Notes or Class Q-1 Securities.

The Trustee is hereby authorized to join in the execution of any such supplemental indenture and to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations that may be contained therein.

#### SECTION 9.2 Supplemental Indentures With Consent of Noteholders.

(a) With the consent of the Holders of a majority of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Notes adversely affected thereby, and the consent of the Swap Counterparty and Rating Confirmation for such action, the Issuers and the Trustee may enter into an indenture or indentures supplemental hereto for the purpose of adding any provisions to, or changing in any manner or eliminating any of the provisions of, this Indenture or of modifying in any manner the rights of the Holders of the Notes under this Indenture; provided, that the Issuers and the Trustee may, with the consent of Holders of 100% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Senior Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities affected thereby, enter into any supplemental indenture notwithstanding that either Rating Agency has stated that such supplemental indenture will result in a qualification, withdrawal or downgrade of its then-current ratings of such Class of Senior Notes or Class Q-1 Securities. However, without the consent of the Swap Counterparty if adversely affected thereby and the Holders of each Outstanding Security adversely affected thereby and without Rating Confirmation for such supplemental indenture or a waiver of such Rating Confirmation by the Holders whose consent is required for such supplemental indenture, no supplemental indenture may:

(i) change the maturity of any Security or the principal of, or the interest on any Senior Note or Class Q-2A Security or reduce the principal amount thereof or the rate of interest thereon or change the time or amount of any other amount payable in respect of any Security;

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Amount of Securities, the consent of the Holders of which is required for the authorization of any supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of this Indenture;

(iii) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on parity with the lien of this Indenture with respect to any part of the Trust Estate or the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral or terminate the lien of this Indenture except as otherwise permitted by the Indenture;

(iv) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Amount of Notes or Class Q-2 Securities, as applicable, held by the Holders of the Notes or Class Q-2 Securities, as applicable, whose consent is required to direct the Trustee to liquidate the Trust Estate (or modify the provisions of this Indenture relating to the Swap Counterparty's authority with respect to any such liquidation) or Class Q-2 Securities Collateral, as applicable;

(v) modify any of the provisions of this Indenture with respect to supplemental indentures or waiver of Events of Default or Class Q-2 Events of Default and their consequences except to increase the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Amount of Notes or Class Q-2 Securities, as applicable, the consent of the Holders of which is required for any such action or to provide that other provisions of the Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holders of each Outstanding Note (or each Outstanding Class Q-2 Security, as applicable) affected thereby;

(vi) modify the provisions of the Priority of Payments, the Class Q-2 Priority of Payments or the definitions of the terms "Holder" or "Outstanding;" or

(vii) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of principal of or interest on or other amount payable in respect of any Security or to affect the right of the Holders of the Securities to the benefit of any provisions for the payment of such Securities contained therein.

(b) No supplemental indenture may modify the terms of the Class Q-1 Securities, the Class Q-2A Securities or the Class Q-2B Securities as such in a manner that would adversely affect the Class Q-1 Securities, the Class Q-2A Securities or the Class Q-2B Securities without the prior written consent of a majority of the stated amount of the Class Q-1 Securities, aggregate principal amount of the Class Q-2A Securities or Class Q-2B Securities, as applicable, or the consent of the Holders of each Outstanding Class Q-2 Security adversely affected thereby as set forth above. Except for any proposed such supplement that would affect the terms of the Class Q-1 Securities, Class Q-2A Securities or the Class Q-2B Securities as such or as provided in subsection (a) above, Holders of Class Q-1 Securities, Class Q-2A Securities and Class Q-2B Securities shall be entitled to vote under this Section 9.2 only (i) in the case of the Class Q-1 Securities, as Holders of the respective related Components and (ii) in the case of the Class Q-2 Securities, pursuant to Section 2.17(f) with respect to the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A.

(c) Any supplemental indenture that in the good faith determination of the Swap Counterparty materially adversely affects its rights or duties or creates, supplements, modifies, limits or eliminates any provision of the Indenture affecting the discretion, judgment, conduct, care or role of the Reference Portfolio Manager, including the Coverage Tests and provisions



relating to calculations with respect to the Reference Portfolio, the Swap Counterparty's or the Reference Portfolio Manager's obligations or liabilities, fees or expenses payable by or reimbursable to it or the Reference Portfolio Manager, or otherwise adversely affects it or the Reference Portfolio Manager, will be deemed to adversely affect the Swap Counterparty and therefore will not be effective without the prior consent of the Swap Counterparty.

(d) Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section, the Trustee at the expense of the Issuers shall mail to the Holders of Securities, the Swap Counterparty, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Investment Agreement Counterparty and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Securities are Outstanding) a copy of such supplemental indenture and shall, (1) request Rating Confirmation from each Rating Agency, as applicable, and (2) request any required consent from the applicable Holders of Securities to be given within the Initial Consent Period. Any consent given to a proposed supplemental indenture by the Holder of any Securities shall be irrevocable and binding on all future Holders or beneficial owners of that Security, irrespective of the execution date of the supplemental indenture. If Holders of less than the required percentage of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the relevant Securities consent to a proposed supplemental indenture within the Initial Consent Period, on the first Business Day after the Initial Consent Period, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer, the Swap Counterparty and the Reference Portfolio Manager which Holders of Securities have consented to the proposed supplemental indenture, and, which Holders and, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the Trustee, which beneficial owners have not consented to the proposed supplemental indenture. If it intends to exercise its Amendment Buy-Out Option pursuant to Section 9.6, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall so notify the Trustee (which notice shall designate a date for the Amendment Buy-Out to occur no earlier than ten Business Days after the date of such notice) no later than five (5) Business Days after so being notified by the Trustee and the Trustee shall mail such notice to all Holders of Securities. Any Non-consenting Holder may give consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture until the 5th Business Day prior to the date of the Amendment Buy-Out designated by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and in such case shall cease to be a Non-consenting Holder for purposes of the related Amendment Buy-Out. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser exercises its Amendment Buy-Out Option and purchases the applicable Securities pursuant to Section 9.6 below, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser as Holder or beneficial owner of the applicable Securities may consent to the related proposed indenture within five (5) Business Days of the Amendment Buy-Out.

(e) The Trustee may, consistent with an Opinion of Counsel, determine whether or not the Holders of any Notes would be adversely affected by any supplemental indenture. Such determination shall be conclusive and binding on all present and future Holders. The Trustee shall not be liable for any such determination made in good faith and in reliance in good faith upon an Opinion of Counsel delivered to the Trustee as described in Section 9.3 hereof.

(f) It shall not be necessary in connection with any consent of the Holders of the Securities under this Section 9.2 for such Holders to approve the specific form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if such consent shall approve the substance thereof.

(g) Promptly after the execution by the Issuers and the Trustee of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 9.2, the Trustee, at the expense of the Issuers, shall mail to the Holders of the Securities, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Swap Counterparty, the Irish Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class of Securities is listed thereon), the Investment Agreement Counterparty and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Securities are Outstanding) a copy thereof.

#### SECTION 9.3 Execution of Supplemental Indentures.

In executing or accepting the additional trusts created by any supplemental indenture permitted by this Article IX or the modifications thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture, the Trustee shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to Sections 6.1 and 6.2) shall be fully protected in relying in good faith upon, an Opinion of Counsel stating that the execution of such supplemental indenture is authorized or permitted by this Indenture, and that all conditions precedent applicable thereto under this Indenture have been satisfied. The Trustee may, but shall not be obligated to, enter into any such supplemental indenture which affects the Trustee's own rights, duties or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise. If requested by the Initial Purchaser, following the execution of any supplemental indenture under this Article 9, the Issuer shall deliver a copy of such supplemental indenture to the Repository for posting on the Repository in the manner described in Section 11.6.

#### SECTION 9.4 Effect of Supplemental Indentures.

Upon the execution of any supplemental indenture under this Article IX, this Indenture shall be modified in accordance therewith, and such supplemental indenture shall form a part of this Indenture for all purposes; and every Holder of Securities theretofore and thereafter authenticated and delivered hereunder shall be bound thereby.

#### SECTION 9.5 Reference in Notes to Supplemental Indentures.

Securities executed, authenticated and delivered after the execution of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Article IX may, and if required by the Trustee shall, bear a notation in form approved by the Trustee as to any matter provided for in such supplemental indenture. If the Issuers shall so determine, new Securities, so modified as to conform in the opinion of the Trustee and the Issuers to any such supplemental indenture, may be prepared and executed by the Issuers and authenticated and delivered by the Trustee in exchange for Outstanding Securities.

#### SECTION 9.6 Amendment Buy-Out.

(a) In the case of any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 9.2 above or a Swap Agreement Amendment pursuant to Section 7.26(b) of this Indenture, in each case that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Notes or Class Q-1 Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-consenting Holders all Securities held by such Holders of the Class of Securities whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture or Swap Agreement Amendment, as applicable (the "Amendment Buy-Out Option") for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase

all such Securities of Non-consenting Holders, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Securities the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture or Swap Agreement Amendment, as applicable (an “Amendment Buy-Out”). By its acceptance of its Securities hereunder, each Holder of Securities agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-consenting Holder will be required to sell its applicable Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser; provided that if the solicited consent to a supplemental indenture only applies to one Component of a Class Q-1 Security, the Non-consenting Holder will be required to sell, at the Non-consenting Holder’s option, its Class Q-1 Security as a whole or solely the affected Component. The Class Q-2 Securities themselves shall not be subject to an Amendment Buy-Out; provided that the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A shall be subject to an Amendment Buy-Out as provided in Section 2.17(f)(iii). Neither the Swap Counterparty, nor the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser nor any other Person shall have any liability to any Holder or beneficial owner of Securities as a result of an election by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser not to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option.

(b) All purchases made pursuant to an Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Securities set forth herein (including, without limitation, the restriction that such Securities may not be purchased (x) in the case of the Class Q-1 Securities, by any Person that is a Benefit Plan Investor and (x) in the case of the Income Notes, if Holders of the Income Notes that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors would own 25% or more of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Income Notes (excluding Income Notes in the form of the Class Q-1 Income Note Component, Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A and Income Notes held by Controlling Persons) immediately after such purchase) and the legends on such Securities and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

## ARTICLE X

### OTHER AGENTS

#### SECTION 10.1 Paying Agents.

(a) The Issuers hereby appoint the Trustee and, solely with respect to any Securities listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Listing Agent, as Paying Agents.

(b) The Issuers may vary or terminate the appointment of any Paying Agent and/or appoint additional Paying Agents, including, without limitation, as may be required under the rules of the Irish Stock Exchange. Notice of any such variation, termination or appointment, and of any changes in the specified offices, shall be given by the Issuers to the Trustee, the Holders of the Securities, the Swap Counterparty and the Rating Agencies in the manner described in Sections 11.3 and 11.4.

(c) The Issuers will cause each Paying Agent (other than the Trustee and the Listing Agent to the extent the Securities (a) settle through DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream or (b)

are not listed on the Irish Stock Exchange) to execute and deliver to the Trustee and the Issuers an instrument in which each such Paying Agent shall agree with the Issuers that such Paying Agent will:

(i) pay to the Holders of the Securities all amounts due and payable to the extent sufficient funds have been provided therefor by the Issuers or the Trustee;

(ii) hold all sums held by it for the payment of amounts due with respect to the Notes in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled thereto until such sums shall be paid to such Persons or otherwise disposed of as herein provided and pay such sums to such Persons as herein provided;

(iii) maintain such records as may reasonably be requested by the Issuers or the Trustee, and furnish such copies thereof as the Trustee may require;

(iv) abide by all provisions of this Indenture relating to the duties and responsibilities of the Paying Agent;

(v) notify the Trustee, the Swap Counterparty and the Holders of the Notes of any default by the Issuers, and such Paying Agent shall be required to account to the Trustee on all disbursements made by such Paying Agent;

(vi) immediately resign as a Paying Agent and pay to the Trustee all sums held by it in trust for the payment of Notes if at any time it ceases to meet the eligibility requirements required to be met by a Paying Agent in effect at the time of determination; and

(vii) comply with all requirements of the Code applicable to it with respect to the withholding from any payments made by it on any Notes of any applicable withholding taxes imposed thereon, required to be withheld and with respect to any applicable reporting requirements imposed upon and applicable to it under the Code in connection therewith.

(d) The eligibility requirements for a Paying Agent shall be the same as those relating to the Trustee in Section 6.10.

(e) After an Event of Default, the Trustee may require that all funds held by Paying Agents be paid over to the Trustee.

#### SECTION 10.2 Irish Transfer Agent.

So long as any Securities are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Issuers shall maintain a transfer agent with an office in Ireland, as an agent for the registration of transfers of such Notes (the "Irish Transfer Agent"). The Issuers hereby initially appoint the Listing Agent as the Irish Transfer Agent. If the Issuer appoints a new Transfer Agent, the Issuer will publish notice of the change in an Authorized Newspaper as promptly as practicable after such appointment.

### SECTION 10.3 Indenture Calculation Agent.

(a) The Issuers hereby agree that for so long as any of the Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes, Class B Notes, Class C-1 Notes and Class Q-2A Notes remain Outstanding there will at all times be an agent appointed to calculate LIBOR in respect of each Periodic Interest Accrual Period in accordance with the terms of this Section 10.3 (the “Indenture Calculation Agent”). The Issuers hereby initially appoint the Trustee as Indenture Calculation Agent for purposes of determining LIBOR for each Periodic Interest Accrual Period, and the Trustee, by executing and delivering this Indenture, hereby acknowledges and accepts such appointment. The Indenture Calculation Agent may be removed by the Issuer at any time. If the Indenture Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Issuer, or if the Indenture Calculation Agent fails to determine any applicable Interest Rate or the amount of interest payable on each such Class of Securities for any Periodic Interest Accrual Period, the Issuer will promptly appoint as a replacement Indenture Calculation Agent a leading bank which is engaged in transactions in U.S. Dollar deposits in the London interbank market and which is not an Affiliate of the Issuers. The Indenture Calculation Agent may not resign its duties without a successor having been duly appointed. If no successor Indenture Calculation Agent is appointed within thirty (30) days after giving notice of resignation, the resigning Indenture Calculation Agent, the Swap Counterparty, the Holders of a majority of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Senior Notes or any Holder of a Senior Note or Class Q-2A Security, on behalf of itself and all others similarly situated, may petition a court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Indenture Calculation Agent. The Issuer shall notify the Rating Agencies of the appointment of any replacement Indenture Calculation Agent.

(b) As soon as reasonably possible after 11:00 a.m. (London time) on each LIBOR Determination Date, but in no event later than 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the Business Day immediately following each LIBOR Determination Date, the Indenture Calculation Agent will calculate the Class A-1 Interest Rate, the Class A-2 Interest Rate, the Class B Interest Rate, the Class C-1 Interest Rate and the Class Q-2A Interest Rate for the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period and the amount of interest for such Periodic Interest Accrual Period payable in respect of each U.S. \$100,000 by Aggregate Principal Amount of each such Class of Securities (rounded to the nearest cent, with half a cent being rounded upward) on such related Payment Date and cause the same to be provided to the Issuers, the Swap Counterparty, the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Investment Agreement Counterparty, the Paying Agents, the Irish Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class of Securities is listed thereon), and, if applicable, Euroclear and Clearstream. The Indenture Calculation Agent will also specify to the Issuers the quotations upon which the applicable Interest Rate for each such Class of Securities is based, and in any event, the Indenture Calculation Agent shall notify the Issuers before 5:00 p.m. (London time) on each LIBOR Determination Date that either: (i) it has determined or is in the process of determining the applicable Interest Rate and the Periodic Interest for each such Class of Securities, or (ii) it has not determined and is not in the process of determining the applicable Interest Rate and the Periodic Interest for each such Class of Securities, together with its reasons therefor. The determination of the applicable Interest Rate for each such Class of Securities by the Indenture Calculation Agent shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding upon all parties.

SECTION 10.4 Other Capacities.

To the extent that the Trustee is acting as Registrar, Paying Agent, Securities Intermediary or Indenture Calculation Agent or other capacity hereunder, the rights, privileges and indemnities set forth in Article VI shall also apply to the Trustee acting in each such capacity.

SECTION 10.5 Certain Actions with Respect to the Reference Portfolio Manager.

(a) At the direction of the Holders of at least 66 2/3% (in Aggregate Principal Amount) of the Income Notes and at least 66 2/3% (in Aggregate Principal Amount) of each Class of Senior Notes, the Issuer will request the Swap Counterparty under the Swap Agreement to remove the Reference Portfolio Manager without cause in accordance with the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement. The Issuer will request the Swap Counterparty under the Swap Agreement to remove the Reference Portfolio Manager for cause in accordance with the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement upon the vote of the Holders of at least 66 2/3% (in Aggregate Principal Amount) of each Class of Senior Notes and at least 66 2/3% (in Aggregate Principal Amount) of the Income Notes. The Issuer shall notify the Rating Agencies of any such request.

(b) If the Swap Counterparty consults with the Issuer as to the appointment of a replacement Reference Portfolio Manager under the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement, the Issuer shall follow the direction of the Holders of a majority in Aggregate Principal Amount of the Income Notes; provided that the Issuer shall not follow such direction as to any replacement Reference Portfolio Manager, if the Holders of at least 66 2/3% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of each Class of Senior Notes object to such replacement Reference Portfolio Manager.

(c) Notwithstanding Section 2.11, for purposes of voting under this Section 10.5 only, Securities beneficially owned by the Reference Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates or by an account or fund for which the Reference Portfolio Manager or its Affiliate acts as investment manager with discretionary authority shall be disregarded and deemed not to be Outstanding.

(d) The Issuer shall notify the holders of Securities of any resignation, removal or replacement of the Reference Portfolio Manager or any assignment of the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement, and if it receives notice from the Swap Counterparty of the occurrence of an event that constitutes cause for removing the Reference Portfolio Manager under the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement.

SECTION 10.6 Process Agents.

The Issuer shall designate and appoint Corporation Service Company as its agent (the "Process Agent") in New York for service of all process. The Process Agent may be served in any legal suit, action or Proceeding arising with respect to this Indenture, the Swap Agreement or the Notes or the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby, such service being hereby acknowledged to be effective and binding service in every respect.

The Co-Issuer shall designate and appoint Corporation Service Company as its agent in New York for service of all process. The Process Agent may be served in any legal suit, action or Proceeding arising with respect to this Indenture or the Notes or the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby, such service being hereby acknowledged to be effective and binding service in every respect.

## ARTICLE XI

### MISCELLANEOUS

#### SECTION 11.1 Form of Documents Delivered to Trustee.

(a) In any case where several matters are required to be certified by, or covered by an opinion of any specified Person, it is not necessary that all such matters be certified by, or covered by the opinion of, only one such Person, or that they be so certified or covered by only one document, but one such Person may certify or give an opinion with respect to some matters and one or more other such Persons as to other matters, and any such Person may certify or give an opinion as to such matters in one or several documents.

(b) Any certificate or opinion of an Authorized Officer of each of the Issuers may be based, insofar as it relates to legal matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by counsel, unless such officer knows, or in the exercise of reasonable care should know, that such certificate or opinion or representations with respect to the matters upon which this certificate or opinion is based are erroneous. Any certificate of an Authorized Officer or Opinion of Counsel may be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, an officer or officers of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any other Person, as the case may be, stating that the information with respect to such factual matters is in the possession of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or such other Person, unless such Authorized Officer or counsel knows, or in the exercise of reasonable care should know, that such certificate or opinion or representations with respect to such matters are erroneous.

(c) Where any Person is required to make, give or execute two or more applications, requests, consents, certificates, statements, opinions or other instruments under this Indenture, they may, but need not, be consolidated and form one instrument.

(d) Whenever in this Indenture, in connection with any application or certificate or report to the Trustee, it is provided that the Issuer or the Co-Issuer shall deliver any document as a condition of the granting of such application, or as evidence of compliance of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer with any term hereof, it is intended that the truth and accuracy at the time of the granting of such application or at the effective date of such certificate or report (as the case may be) of the facts and opinions stated in such document shall in such case be conditions precedent to the right of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to have such application granted or to the sufficiency of such certificate or report. The foregoing shall not, however, be construed to affect the Trustee's right to rely upon the truth and accuracy of any statement or opinion contained in any such document as provided in Article VI.

SECTION 11.2 Acts of Securityholders.

(a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or taken by the Holders of the Securities may be embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments of substantially similar tenor signed by such Holders in person or by agents duly appointed in writing; and except as herein otherwise expressly provided such action shall become effective when such instrument or instruments are delivered to the Trustee, and, where it is hereby expressly required, to the Issuer. Such instrument or instruments (and the action embodied therein and evidenced thereby) are herein sometimes referred to as the “Act” of the Holders of the Securities signing such instrument or instruments. Proof of execution of any such instrument or of a writing appointing any such agent shall be sufficient for any purpose of this Indenture and (subject to Section 6.1) conclusive in favor of the Trustee and the Issuer, if made in the manner provided in this Section 11.2.

(b) The fact and date of the execution by any person of any such instrument or writing may be proved in any manner that the Trustee deems sufficient.

(c) The ownership of Securities shall be proved by the Securities Register.

(d) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action by the Holder of any Securities shall bind the Holder (and any transferee thereof) of every Note issued upon the registration thereof or in exchange therefor or in lieu thereof, in respect of anything done, omitted or suffered to be done by the Trustee, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in reliance thereon, whether or not notation of such action is made upon such Note.

SECTION 11.3 Notices, etc., to Trustee, Issuers and Rating Agencies.

Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver of any Person, or any Act of the Holders of the Securities or other documents provided or permitted by this Indenture to be made upon, given or furnished to or filed with:

(a) The Trustee by any Holder of the Securities, or by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or other Person shall be sufficient for every purpose hereunder if made, given, furnished or filed in writing to or with the Trustee at its Corporate Trust Office, Attention: Corporate Trust Administration; with such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other communication or document to the Trustee to be deemed effective only upon actual receipt thereof at the Corporate Trust Office;

(b) The Issuer or the Co-Issuer by the Trustee or by any Holder of the Securities shall be sufficient for every purpose hereunder if in writing and either sent by electronic facsimile transmission (with hard copy to follow via first class mail) or mailed, by certified mail, return receipt requested to the Issuer, at: Valhalla CLO, Ltd., c/o Walkers SPV Limited, P.O. Box 908GT, Walker House, Mary Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, Attention: The Directors, facsimile: (345) 945-4757, or to the Co-Issuer, at: Valhalla CLO, Inc., c/o Puglisi & Associates, 850 Library Avenue, Suite 204, Newark, DE 19711, facsimile: (302) 738-7210, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Trustee by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. Each of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall promptly transmit any notice



received by it from the Noteholders to the Trustee, the Swap Counterparty and the Reference Portfolio Manager.

(c) Notices required to be given to the Rating Agencies by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee shall be in writing, personally delivered, sent by electronic facsimile transmission (with hard copy to follow via first class mail) or mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested to: (i) Moody's Investors Service, Inc., CDO Group, 99 Church Street, New York, New York, 10007, electronic copy to [CDOmonitoring@moodys.com](mailto:CDOmonitoring@moodys.com), facsimile: (212) 553-4170, Attention: CBO/CLO Monitoring, and (ii) Standard & Poor's, 55 Water Street, 40th Floor, New York, New York 10041-0003, electronic copy to [CDO\\_surveillance@sandp.com](mailto:CDO_surveillance@sandp.com), facsimile: (212) 438-2665, or at such other addresses as shall be designated by written notice to the other parties. Where this Indenture provides for notice to the Rating Agencies, failure to give such notice shall not affect any other rights or obligations created hereunder, and shall not under any circumstance constitute an Event of Default.

(d) Notices required to be given to the Trustee or the Holders of the Securities shall also be required to be given to the Administrator, the Swap Counterparty and the Reference Portfolio Manager.

(e) Notices required to be given to the Swap Counterparty shall be sent to: Citigroup Financial Products Inc., 390 Greenwich Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10013, Attention: Doug Warren, telephone: 212-723-6118, facsimile: 212-723-8578, with a copy to: Legal Department, 77 Water Street, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10004, Attention: Department Head, facsimile: (212) 657-1452.

(f) Notices required to be given to the Reference Portfolio Manager shall be sent to: Highland Capital Management, L.P., 13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300, Dallas, Texas 75240, Attention: Todd Travers, Telephone Number: 972-628-4100, Fax Number: 972-628-4147.

(g) Notices required to be given to the Investment Agreement Counterparty shall be sent to its address as set forth in, or pursuant to, the Investment Agreement and, if at any time the Investment Agreement Guarantor is not an affiliate of the Investment Agreement Counterparty, with a copy to the Investment Agreement Guarantor sent to its address as set forth in, or pursuant to, the Investment Agreement.

#### SECTION 11.4 Notices to Holders of the Notes; Waiver.

Where this Indenture provides for notice to the Holders of the Notes of any event, such notice shall be given through the Depositary or its nominee as the registered holder of the Notes by first class mail, postage prepaid, at the address appearing on the Securities Register. In addition, so long as any of the Securities are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of such Exchange so require, notice to the Holders of the Securities shall also be given by publication in the Irish Stock Exchange's Daily Official List. The Trustee shall forward all notices to the Listing Agent for publication.

Where this Indenture provides for notice in any manner, any such notice may be waived in writing by any Person entitled to receive such notice, either before or after the event, and such waiver shall be the equivalent of such notice. Waivers of notice by Noteholders shall

be filed with the Trustee, but such filing shall not be a condition precedent to the validity of any action taken in reliance upon such waiver.

**SECTION 11.5    Consent to Posting of Documents on Repository at the Option of Initial Purchaser.**

Each of the Issuers hereby consents, at the option of the Initial Purchaser, to (a) the posting of the Offering Circular, this Indenture (collectively, the "Transaction Documents") and the Monthly Reports and the Payment Date Valuation Reports to be delivered pursuant to the Transaction Documents and any amendments or other modifications thereto on the Repository for use in the manner provided in the Repository; and (b) the display of its name on the Repository in connection therewith.

**SECTION 11.6    Posting of Documents on Repository.**

Any document requested by the Initial Purchaser to be delivered to the Repository by the Issuer pursuant to this Indenture shall be delivered to the Repository by electronic mail as a pdf (portable document format) file to the following address (or such other address or such other manner as may be specified in writing from time to time by the operator of the Repository to the Issuer):

CDO Library  
c/o The Bond Market Association  
360 Madison Avenue (18th Floor)  
New York, NY 10017  
Electronic mail address: [admin@cdolibrary.com](mailto:admin@cdolibrary.com)

**SECTION 11.7    Effect of Headings and Table of Contents.**

The Article and Section headings herein and the Table of Contents are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction hereof.

**SECTION 11.8    Successors and Assigns.**

(a) All covenants and agreements in this Indenture and the Notes by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer shall bind its successors and assigns, whether so expressed or not.

(b) All covenants and agreements of the Trustee in this Indenture shall bind its successors and assigns, whether so expressed or not.

**SECTION 11.9    Separability.**

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

SECTION 11.10 Benefits of Indenture.

Nothing in this Indenture or in the Notes, express or implied, shall give to any Person, other than the parties hereto and their successors hereunder, the Holders of the Notes and the Swap Counterparty and the parties specified in Section 11.18, any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under this Indenture.

SECTION 11.11 Governing Law.

THIS INDENTURE, EACH NOTE, EACH CLASS Q SECURITY AND EACH COMPONENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, AND THE OBLIGATIONS, RIGHTS AND REMEDIES OF THE PARTIES HEREUNDER SHALL BE DETERMINED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUCH LAWS.

SECTION 11.12 Submission to Jurisdiction; Waiver of Jury Trial.

THE PARTIES HERETO IRREVOCABLY SUBMIT TO THE EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OF ANY NEW YORK STATE OR FEDERAL COURT SITTING IN THE BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK IN ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR THE NOTES, AND SUCH PARTIES HEREBY IRREVOCABLY AGREE THAT ALL CLAIMS IN RESPECT OF SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING MAY BE HEARD AND DETERMINED IN SUCH NEW YORK STATE OR FEDERAL COURT. THE PARTIES HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVE, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT THAT THEY MAY LEGALLY DO SO, THE DEFENSE OF AN INCONVENIENT FORUM TO THE MAINTENANCE OF SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING AND IRREVOCABLY WAIVE ANY AND ALL RIGHTS TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING. THE PARTIES HERETO IRREVOCABLY CONSENT TO THE SERVICE OF ANY AND ALL PROCESS IN ANY SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING BY THE MAILING OR DELIVERY OF COPIES OF SUCH PROCESS TO THE ADDRESS SPECIFIED FOR NOTICES IN THIS AGREEMENT. THE PARTIES HERETO AGREE THAT A FINAL NON-APPEALABLE JUDGMENT IN ANY SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING SHALL BE CONCLUSIVE AND MAY BE ENFORCED IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS BY SUIT ON THE JUDGMENT OR IN ANY OTHER MANNER PROVIDED BY LAW.

To the extent that either of the Issuers has or hereafter may acquire any immunity from jurisdiction of any court or from any legal process (whether through service or notice, attachment prior to judgment, attachment in aid of execution, or otherwise) with respect to its obligations hereunder, each waives such immunity to the extent permitted by applicable law.

SECTION 11.13 Counterparts.

This Indenture may be executed in counterparts, each of which so executed shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

SECTION 11.14 Recording of Indenture.

If this Indenture at any time becomes subject to recording in any appropriate public recording offices, such recording is to be effected by the Issuer and at its expense accompanied by an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that such recording is necessary either for the protection of any of the Secured Parties or Holders of Class Q-2 Securities or for the enforcement of any right or remedy granted to the Trustee under this Indenture.

SECTION 11.15 No Recourse.

No recourse may be taken, directly or indirectly, with respect to the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, in respect of the Securities or under this Indenture or any certificate or other writing delivered in connection herewith or therewith, against:

(a) the Trustee, the Securities Intermediary or the Collateral Administrator in their individual capacities;

(b) any shareholder or any incorporator or past or present officer or director of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer;

(c) any Holder of a Security;

(d) the Swap Counterparty;

(e) the Administrator;

(f) the Initial Purchaser;

(g) the Reference Portfolio Manager;

(h) the Indenture Calculation Agent

(i) the Investment Agreement Counterparty;

(j) the Investment Agreement Guarantor; or

(k) any Affiliate, partner, owner, beneficiary, agent, officer, director, employee or agent of the foregoing, or any holder of a beneficial interest in the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Administrator or the Trustee or of any successor or assign of the Administrator or the Trustee in its individual capacity, except that any such partner, owner or beneficiary shall be fully liable, to the extent provided by applicable law, for any unpaid consideration for stock, unpaid capital contribution or failure to pay any installment or call owing to such entity;

except in each case, as any such person may have expressly agreed (it being understood that the Administrator, the Trustee and the Securities Intermediary have no such obligations in their individual capacities other than JPMorgan Chase Bank with respect to any representations or warranties made in its individual capacity hereunder).

SECTION 11.16 No Petition.

The Trustee, by entering into this Indenture, and each Holder of a Security by its acceptance of such Security, hereby covenants and agrees that each shall not, prior to the date which is one year (or the then applicable preference period in the relevant jurisdiction) and one day after the termination of this Indenture with respect to the Securities pursuant to Section 4.1, acquiesce, petition or otherwise invoke or cause the Issuer to invoke the process of any court or government authority for the purpose of commencing or sustaining a case against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under any United States federal or state bankruptcy, insolvency or similar law (in any applicable jurisdiction) or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, custodian, sequestrator or other similar official of the Issuer or any substantial part of its property, or making a general assignment for the benefit of creditors, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of the affairs of the Issuer or for the purpose of collecting any of the Trustee's fees and expenses.

SECTION 11.17 Priority of Payments.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, all payments to be made in accordance with the terms hereof, including without limitation all payments in respect of the Notes and the Class Q-1 Securities and the fees and expenses of the Trustee, shall be paid on the dates, and shall be subject to the priorities, prescribed in Article V and Article VIII of this Indenture or, in the case of payments on the Class Q-2 Securities, as provided in Section 2.17 of this Indenture.

SECTION 11.18 Beneficiaries.

The Holders of the Securities, the Swap Counterparty, the other Secured Parties and the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser are third party beneficiaries hereunder.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Trustee have caused this Indenture to be duly executed by their respective officers, thereunto duly authorized, all as of the day and year first above written.

Executed as a Deed by:

VALHALLA CLO, LTD., as Issuer

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

Name:

Title: Director

In the presence of: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness Name:

VALHALLA CLO, INC., as Co-Issuer

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

Name:

Title:

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK,  
as Trustee and Securities Intermediary

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

Name:

Title:

Schedule A

SCHEDULE OF DEFINITIONS

Set forth below are definitions of certain defined terms used in this Indenture.

“Account Agreement”: An agreement substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit L hereto.

“Accredited Investor”: An “accredited investor” as defined in Rule 501(a) under the Securities Act.

“Accrual Date”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“Accrued Increase/Reduction Amount”: For a Measurement Date, an amount (which may be negative) equal to (a) the sum of all Obligation Value Increase Amounts (other than as a result of Amortizations) for Reference Obligations for which the Accrual Date occurred on or prior to such date and on or following the preceding Determination Date minus (b) the sum of all Obligation Value Reduction Amounts (including as a result of Amortizations) for Reference Obligations for which the Accrual Date occurred on or prior to such date and on or following the preceding Determination Date.

“Accrued Swap Liabilities”: With respect to any date of determination, the sum of (i) all amounts payable to the Swap Counterparty under the Swap Agreement as of such date of determination and (ii) all amounts payable to the Swap Counterparty under the Swap Agreement on any prior date and unpaid as of such date of determination, in each case other than amounts that constitute Administrative Expenses.

“Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amount”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“Administration Agreement”: The Administration Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Administrator and the Issuer in respect of certain corporate and administrative services provided to the Issuer by the Administrator.

“Administrative Expenses”: Amounts due from or accrued for the account of the Issuers with respect to any Payment Date (and, to the extent not paid, from prior Payment Dates) to, in the following order of priority, (i) any Person in respect of any governmental fee, charge or tax (including all filing, registration and annual return fees payable to the Cayman Islands’ government and registered office fees); (ii) the Trustee for the Trustee Fee and Trustee Expenses; (iii) the Collateral Administrator for the Collateral Administrator Fee and Collateral Administrator Expenses; (iv) the Administrator as provided in the Administration Agreement; and (v) on a *pari passu* basis, (A) the Independent Accountants, agents and counsel of the Issuers for fees and expenses (including, without limitation, tax reports); (B) any other Person in respect of any other expenses permitted under the Indenture and the documents delivered pursuant to or in connection with the Indenture, the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Securities; (C) any other Person in respect of any other expenses of the Issuers including, without limitation,

fees, expenses or amounts for which the Swap Counterparty is entitled to indemnification from the Issuer under the Swap Agreement, (D) the Rating Agencies for any fees (including on-going monitoring fees and credit estimates) due and payable with respect to their respective rating of the Securities; (E) expenses and other amounts for which the Swap Counterparty is obligated to reimburse or pay the Reference Portfolio Manager under the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement; and (F) expenses for which the Swap Counterparty is entitled to reimbursement in connection with the transfer of its rights and obligations to a replacement swap counterparty or certain other actions upon a downgrade of it or the Swap Guarantor when required to do so under the Swap Agreement, in the case of this clause (F) in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 in any calendar year; provided, however, that Administrative Expenses shall not include any amounts due or accrued with respect to actions taken on or prior to the Closing Date, which amounts shall be payable only from the Expense Reserve Account pursuant to Section 8.2(e).

“Administrator”: Walkers SPV Limited or any successor appointed by the Issuer.

“Affiliate”: With respect to any specified Person, any other Person controlling or controlled by or under common control with such specified Person. For the purposes of this definition, “control,” when used with respect to any specified Person, means the power to direct the management and policies of such Person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise; and the terms “controlling” and “controlled” have meanings correlative to the foregoing. For purposes of this definition, (a) the management of an account by one Person for the benefit of any other Person shall not constitute “control” of such other Person and (b) with respect to the Issuer, “Affiliate” does not include Walkers SPV Limited or any entities which Walkers SPV Limited controls or administers.

“Aggregate Principal Amount”: With respect to any date of determination, (a) when used with respect to any Class or Classes of Notes as a whole (or any specified Notes or Components of any such Class), the original principal amount of such Class or Classes (or of such specified Notes or Component, as applicable) reduced, in the case of the Senior Notes only, by all prior payments, if any, made with respect to the principal of such Class or Classes (or such Senior Notes or Class Q-1 Senior Note Component, as applicable), (b) when used with respect to all of the Senior Notes, the sum of (i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1 Notes, (ii) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2 Notes, (iii) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B Notes, (iv) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-1 Notes and (v) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-2 Notes, (c) when used with respect to all of the Notes, the sum of (i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Senior Notes and (ii) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Income Notes, (d) when used with respect to the Class Q-2A Securities (or any specified Class Q-2A Securities), the original principal amount of the Class Q-2A Securities (or of such specified Class Q-2A Securities) reduced by all prior payments, if any, made with respect to the principal of the Class Q-2A Securities (or of such specified Class Q-2A Securities) and (e) when used with respect to the Class Q-2B Securities (or any specified Class Q-2B Securities), the original principal amount of the Class Q-2B Securities (or of such specified Class Q-2B Securities).

“Aggregate Reference Obligation Calculation Amount”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.



“Aggregate Reference Value”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“Amendment Buy-Out”: The meaning specified in Section 9.6(a).

“Amendment Buy-Out Option”: The meaning specified in Section 9.6(a).

“Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price”: The purchase price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Securities purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Senior Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof, plus accrued interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) to the date of purchase which is not otherwise paid or payable to the Non-consenting Holder, plus any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment, plus, in the case of the Class C-2 Notes, the applicable Make-whole Premium, (ii) in the case of the Income Notes, an amount that, together with any amounts paid to the Non-consenting Holder with respect to those Income Notes from the Closing Date to and including the purchase date (and any amounts payable, if any, to the Non-consenting Holder on the next succeeding Payment Date) shall result in an internal rate of return with respect to those Income Notes of 18% per annum, provided, however, that in any Amendment Buy-Out from and after the date on which the Non-consenting Holders of Income Notes have received an internal rate of return equal to or in excess of 18% per annum, the purchase price for Income Notes shall be zero and (iii) in the case of the Class Q-1 Securities, based on the respective purchase prices for the relevant Class Q-1 Senior Note Component and the Class Q-1 Income Note Component thereof.

“Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser”: Citigroup Global Markets Inc. (“CGMI”), or an Affiliate thereof designated by the Swap Counterparty, or a Person designated by CGMI or such Affiliate.

“Applicable Procedures”: The procedures of the Depositary, Euroclear and Clearstream applicable to the exchange or transfer of an interest in the Global Notes.

“Articles”: The Articles of Association and the Memorandum of Association of the Issuer, as each may be amended and restated from time to time.

“Authorized Class Q-1 Denomination”: The meaning specified in Section 2.16(b).

“Authorized Denomination”: The meaning specified in Section 2.3(d) hereof.

“Authorized Newspaper”: A major newspaper in the official language of the country of publication customarily published at least once a day for at least five days in each calendar week.

“Authorized Officer”: With respect to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, any director or officer thereof or of any other Person who is authorized, by power-of-attorney or otherwise, to act for the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as the case may be, in matters relating to the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as the case may be.

“Bankruptcy Law”: Title 11 of the United States Code (11 U.S.C. §§ 101 et seq.), as amended, any successor statute thereto, any federal or state bankruptcy, insolvency,

reorganization or similar law, or any bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or similar law enacted under the laws of the Cayman Islands or of any other applicable jurisdiction.

“Base Amount”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“Basic Documents”: The Indenture, the Swap Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Investment Agreement.

“Benefit Plan Investor”: (i) An employee benefit plan as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA, whether or not such plan is subject to Title I of ERISA, (ii) a plan described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code, whether or not subject to Section 4975 of the Code, or (iii) an entity whose underlying assets include “plan assets” by reason of U.S. Department of Labor regulation Section 2510.3-101 or otherwise.

“Book-Entry Securities”: The meaning specified in Section 2.5(a).

“Business Day”: Any day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or other day on which commercial banking institutions in New York, New York, Cayman Islands, Dublin, Ireland or the city in which the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee is located, are authorized or obligated by law or executive order to be closed.

“Cede”: Cede & Co.

“Certificate of Authentication”: The meaning specified in Section 2.1.

“Certificated Class Q-1 Securities”: The meaning specified in Section 2.16(b).

“Certificated Class Q-2 Security”: The meaning specified in Section 2.17(b).

“Certificated Class Q-2B Security”: The meaning specified in Section 2.17(b).

“Certificated Income Note”: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(c).

“CGMHI Notes”: U.S. \$ 40,000,000 0% EMTNs Due 2034 issued by Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc. constituting the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B.

“Class”: When referring to the Notes, Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes, Class B Notes, Class C-1 Notes, Class C-2 Notes and/or Income Notes, as appropriate. When referring to the Class Q Securities, the Class Q-1 Securities, the Class Q-2A Securities and/or the Class Q-2B Securities, as appropriate. When referring to the Securities, any Class of Notes or Class Q Securities, as appropriate.

“Class A Interest Coverage Ratio”: With respect to a Measurement Date, (a) the greater of (i) zero and (ii) Net Interest Coverage Proceeds for such date, divided by (b) the sum of the Class A-1 Interest Amount and the Class A-2 Interest Amount for the next following Payment Date.

“Class A Interest Coverage Test”: A test which will be deemed satisfied as of any Measurement Date on which any of the Class A-1 Notes or Class A-2 Notes are Outstanding if the Class A Interest Coverage Ratio for such date equals or exceeds 110%.

“Class A OC Test”: A test which will be deemed satisfied as of any Measurement Date on which any of the Class A-1 Notes or Class A-2 Notes are Outstanding if the Class A Overcollateralization Ratio for such date equals or exceeds 157%.

“Class A Overcollateralization Ratio”: With respect to a Measurement Date, the quotient obtained by dividing (a) the OC Base Amount as of such date by (b) the sum of (x) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1 Notes and (y) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2 Notes as of such date.

“Class A-1 Interest Amount” With respect to a Payment Date, (a) the product of (i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-1 Notes as of the beginning of the relevant Periodic Interest Accrual Period plus the amount of any unpaid Class A-1 Interest Amount after the prior Payment Date, (ii) the Class A-1 Interest Rate for such period, (iii) the actual number of days in such period and (iv)  $1/360$  plus (b) the amount of any unpaid Class A-1 Interest Amount after the prior Payment Date.

“Class A-1 Interest Rate”: The interest rate specified for the Class A-1 Notes in Section 2.3(c).

“Class A-1 Notes”: The meaning specified in Section 2.3(b).

“Class A-2 Interest Amount” With respect to a Payment Date, (a) the product of (i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class A-2 Notes as of the beginning of the relevant Periodic Interest Accrual Period plus the amount of any unpaid Class A-2 Interest Amount after the prior Payment Date, (ii) the Class A-2 Interest Rate for such period, (iii) the actual number of days in such period and (iv)  $1/360$  plus (b) the amount of any unpaid Class A-2 Interest Amount after the prior Payment Date.

“Class A-2 Interest Rate”: The interest rate specified for the Class A-2 Notes in Section 2.3(c).

“Class A-2 Notes”: The meaning specified in Section 2.3(b).

“Class B Interest Amount”: With respect to a Payment Date, the product of (i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class B Notes as of the beginning of the relevant Periodic Interest Accrual Period plus the aggregate Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes after the preceding Payment Date, (ii) the Class B Interest Rate for such period, (iii) the actual number of days in such period and (iv)  $1/360$ .

“Class B Interest Coverage Ratio”: With respect to a Measurement Date, (a) the greater of (i) zero and (ii) Net Interest Coverage Proceeds for such date, divided by (b) the sum of the Class A-1 Interest Amount, the Class A-2 Interest Amount and the Class B Interest Amount for the next following Payment Date.

“Class B Interest Coverage Test”: A test which will be deemed satisfied as of any Measurement Date on which any of the Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes or Class B Notes are Outstanding if the Class B Interest Coverage Ratio for such date equals or exceeds 105%.

“Class B Interest Rate”: The interest rate specified for the Class B Notes in Section 2.3(c).

“Class B Notes”: The meaning specified in Section 2.3(b).

“Class B OC Test”: A test which will be deemed satisfied as of any Measurement Date on which any Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes or Class B Notes are Outstanding if the Class B Overcollateralization Ratio for such date equals or exceeds 133%.

“Class B Overcollateralization Ratio”: With respect to a Measurement Date, the quotient obtained by dividing (a) the OC Base Amount as of such date by (b) the sum of the Aggregate Principal Amounts of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes and the Class B Notes (together with any Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes) as of such date.

“Class C Interest Coverage Ratio”: With respect to a Measurement Date, (a) the greater of (i) zero and (ii) the Net Interest Coverage Proceeds for such date, divided by (b) the sum of the Class A-1 Interest Amount, the Class A-2 Interest Amount, the Class B Interest Amount, the Class C-1 Interest Amount and the Class C-2 Interest Amount for the next following Payment Date.

“Class C Interest Coverage Test”: A test which will be deemed satisfied as of any Measurement Date on which any of the Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes, Class B Notes, Class C-1 Notes or Class C-2 Notes are Outstanding if the Class C Interest Coverage Ratio for such date equals or exceeds 100%.

“Class C OC Test”: A test which will be deemed satisfied as of any Measurement Date on which any Class A-1 Notes, Class A-2 Notes, Class B Notes, Class C-1 Notes or Class C-2 Notes are Outstanding if the Class C Overcollateralization Ratio for such date equals or exceeds 116%.

“Class C Overcollateralization Ratio”: With respect to a Measurement Date, the quotient obtained by dividing (a) the OC Base Amount as of such date by (b) the sum of the Aggregate Principal Amounts of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C-1 Notes and the Class C-2 Notes (together with any Deferred Interest with respect to the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes) as of such date.

“Class C Notes”: The Class C-1 Notes and the Class C-2 Notes, collectively.

“Class C-1 Interest Amount”: With respect to a Payment Date, the product of (i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-1 Notes as of the beginning of the relevant Periodic Interest Accrual Period plus the aggregate Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C-1 Notes after the preceding Payment Date, (ii) the Class C-1 Interest Rate for such period, (iii) the actual number of days in such period and (iv) 1/360.

“Class C-1 Interest Rate”: The interest rate specified for the Class C-1 Notes in Section 2.3(c).

“Class C-1 Notes”: The meaning specified in Section 2.3(b).

“Class C-2 Interest Amount”: With respect to a Payment Date, interest accrued for the relevant Periodic Interest Accrual Period on an amount equal to the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class C-2 Notes as of the beginning of the relevant Periodic Interest Accrual Period plus the aggregate Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C-2 Notes after the preceding Payment Date, at a rate equal to the Class C-2 Interest Rate for such period, calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

“Class C-2 Interest Rate”: The interest rate specified for the Class C-2 Notes in Section 2.3(c).

“Class C-2 Notes”: The meaning specified in Section 2.3(b).

“Class Q-1 Excess Distribution”: For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the excess, if any, of any amounts paid or distributed with respect to the Class Q-1 Securities over the amount of Q-1 Nominal Interest for the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period.

“Class Q-1 Income Note Component”: The U.S. \$5,000,000 Aggregate Principal Amount of Income Notes comprising the Income Note Component of the Class Q-1 Securities.

“Class Q-1 Nominal Interest”: For a Periodic Interest Accrual Period, interest accrued on the Class Q-1 Nominal Principal for such period at the Class Q-1 Nominal Rate calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

“Class Q-1 Nominal Principal”: For the first Periodic Interest Accrual Period, \$10,000,000, and for any Periodic Interest Accrual Period thereafter, the Class Q-1 Nominal Principal for the prior Periodic Interest Accrual Period minus the amount of the Class Q-1 Excess Distribution, if any, for the Payment Date occurring at the beginning of such current Periodic Interest Accrual Period, but in no event shall the Class Q-1 Nominal Principal be less than \$1,000.

“Class Q-1 Nominal Rate”: 2.00% per annum.

“Class Q-1 Rated Principal”: For the first Periodic Interest Accrual Period, \$10,000,000, and for any Periodic Interest Accrual Period thereafter, the Class Q-1 Rated Principal for the prior Periodic Interest Accrual Period minus any amount paid or distributed with respect to the Class Q-1 Securities for the Payment Date occurring at the beginning of such current Periodic Interest Accrual Period, but in no event shall the Class Q-1 Rated Principal be less than \$1.

“Class Q-1 Reg S Global Security”: The meaning specified in Section 2.16(b).

“Class Q-1 Securities”: The U.S.\$ 10,000,000 Class Q-1 Extendable Securities comprised of the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component and the Class Q-1 Income Note Component.

“Class Q-1 Senior Note Component”: The U.S. \$5,000,000 initial Aggregate Principal Amount of Class C-2 Notes comprising the Senior Note Component of the Class Q-1 Securities.

“Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Security”: The meaning specified in Section 2.16(b).

“Class Q-2 Administrative Expenses”: Any Administrative Expenses accrued while any Class Q-2 Securities remain Outstanding but after the redemption in full of all Senior Notes, Class Q-1 Securities and Income Notes and liquidation and distribution of the Trust Estate.

“Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A”: U.S.\$ 25,000,000 Aggregate Principal Amount of Income Notes Delivered to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account on the Closing Date.

“Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A Proceeds”: With respect to any Payment Date, the sum of (i) all amounts distributed with respect to the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A for such date and (ii) any amounts received by the Trustee with respect to the sale or redemption of the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A hereunder, in each case from and after the preceding Payment Date and on or prior to such date.

“Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B”: U.S. \$ 40,000,000 0% EMTNs Due 2034 issued by Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc. (“CGMHI Notes”) Delivered to the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account on the Closing Date, and any conversion or exchange proceeds thereof.

“Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B Proceeds”: Any sales proceeds, conversion or exchange proceeds or maturity proceeds of the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B.

“Class Q-2 Collateral Assets”: Collectively, the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A and the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B.

“Class Q-2 Gross Proceeds”: As defined in the definition of “Class Q-2 Payment Date Proceeds.”

“Class Q-2 Maturity Date”: April 28, 2034.

“Class Q-2 Maturity Date Priority of Payments”: The meaning specified in Section 2.17(d)(iii).

“Class Q-2 Payment Date Priority of Payments”: The meaning specified in Section 2.17(d)(i).

“Class Q-2 Payment Date Proceeds”: With respect to any Payment Date, (i) the sum of (a) the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A Proceeds for such Payment Date and (b) interest and dividends received with respect to Eligible Investments on deposit in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account (collectively, “Class Q-2 Gross Proceeds”) minus (ii) the Class Q-2B Target Amount for such Payment Date.

“Class Q-2 Priority of Payments”: Collectively, the payment priorities set forth in Section 2.17(d).

“Class Q-2 Requisite Securityholders”: The Holders of at least 66 2/3% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of (a) the Class Q-2A Securities so long as any Class Q-2A Securities are Outstanding, and (b) thereafter the Class Q-2B Securities.

“Class Q-2 Securities”: The Class Q-2A Securities and the Class Q-2B Securities, collectively.

“Class Q-2 Securities Collateral”: Collectively, (i) Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A, (ii) Class Q-2 Collateral Asset B, (iii) the portion of the Trust Estate that in accordance with the provisions in this Indenture is required to be applied to payment of the Income Notes represented by the Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A, at any time on and after such property is required to be applied to the payment of the Income Notes represented thereby, (iv) the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account, any subaccounts thereof and all financial assets credited to, and amounts on deposit or credit balances carried in, the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account from time to time, (v) all Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account and all income and other proceeds from the investment of funds therein; and (vi) all proceeds, accessions, profits, income, benefits, substitutions and replacements, whether voluntary or involuntary, of and to any of the property described in the preceding clauses.

“Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account”: The meaning specified in Section 2.17(c).

“Class Q-2A Coverage Ratio”: With respect to any date of determination, the quotient obtained by dividing (a) the market value of Class Q-2 Collateral Asset A as of such date by (b) sum of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class Q-2A Securities plus Class Q-2A Deferred Interest, if any, as of such date.

“Class Q-2A Coverage Test”: A test which will be deemed satisfied as of any date of determination on which any Class Q-2A Securities are Outstanding, if the Class Q-2A Coverage Ratio for such date equals or exceeds 2.25.

“Class Q-2A Deferred Interest”: The meaning specified in Section 2.17(c)(i).

“Class Q-2A Interest Amount”: With respect to a Payment Date, the product of (i) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class Q-2A Securities as of the beginning of the relevant Periodic Interest Accrual Period, plus the aggregate Class Q-2 Deferred Interest after the preceding Payment Date, (ii) the Class Q-2A Interest Rate for such period, (iii) the actual number of days in such period and (iv) 1/360.

“Class Q-2A Interest Rate”: The meaning specified in Section 2.17(c).

“Class Q-2A Securities”: The U.S.\$7,200,000 Class Q-2A Securities Due 2034.

“Class Q-2B Securities”: The U.S.\$40,000,000 Class Q-2B Securities Due 2034.

“Class Q-2B Target Amount”: With respect to any Payment Date, an amount equal to the lesser of (i) the Class Q-2 Gross Proceeds for such date and (ii) the product of (a) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Class Q-2B Securities and (b) 1% per annum for the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period, calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

“Clearance Systems”: Euroclear and Clearstream.

“Clearing Corporation”: (i) Clearstream, (ii) DTC, (iii) Euroclear and (iv) any entity included within the meaning of “clearing corporation” under the UCC.

“Clearing Corporation Security”: An Eligible Investment that is a Financial Asset that is (i) in bearer form or (ii) registered in the name of a Clearing Corporation or the nominee of such Clearing Corporation and, if a Certificated Security, is held in the custody of such Clearing Corporation.

“Clearstream”: Clearstream Banking, société anonyme, a corporation organized under the laws of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, or any successor thereto.

“Closing Date”: August 18, 2004.

“Code”: The U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and any successor statute thereto.

“Co-Issuer”: Valhalla CLO, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

“Collateral”: The Trust Estate.

“Collateral Account”: The account created and designated as the “Valhalla CLO, Ltd. – Collateral Account” under Section 8.3.

“Collateral Administration Agreement”: The collateral administration agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, among the Issuer, the Collateral Administrator, the Swap Counterparty and the Reference Portfolio Manager.

“Collateral Administrator”: JPMorgan Chase Bank, as collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement and its permitted successors.

“Collateral Administrator Expenses”: With respect to any Payment Date (including the Maturity Date), an amount equal to the sum of all amounts incurred by or otherwise owing to the Collateral Administrator in the related Collection Period in accordance with the Collateral Administration Agreement other than the Collateral Administrator Fee.

“Collateral Administrator Fee”: With respect to any Payment Date (including the Maturity Date), the amount set forth in or determined pursuant to the Collateral Administration Agreement.



“Collection Account”: The account created and designated as the “Valhalla CLO, Ltd. – Collection Account” under Section 8.2(a).

“Collection Period”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“Commission”: The United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

“Components”: The Class Q-1 Senior Note Component and the Class Q-1 Income Note Component.

“Controlling Person”: A Person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuers or that provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to such assets (or any “affiliate” of such a Person (as defined in Department of Labor regulation Section 2510.3-101(f)(3))).

“Corporate Trust Office”: With respect to the Trustee means the principal office of the Trustee at which, at any particular time, its corporate trust business shall be principally administered, which office as of the date of the execution of this Indenture is located at 600 Travis Street, 50th Floor, Houston, Texas 77002, Attention: Institutional Trust Services – Valhalla CLO, Ltd., telephone number (713) 216-4181, or at such other address as the Trustee may designate in writing from time to time by notice to the Holders of Notes, the Swap Counterparty, the Issuer and the Investment Agreement Counterparty, or the principal office of any successor Trustee (the address of which the successor Trustee will notify the Holders of Notes, the Swap Counterparty, the Issuer and the Investment Agreement Counterparty in writing).

“Coverage Tests”: The Interest Coverage Tests and the Overcollateralization Tests.

“Credit Event”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“Default”: Any event or condition the occurrence or existence of which would, with the giving of notice or lapse of time or both, become an Event of Default.

“Default Adjustment”: (a) On any date of determination with respect to any Defaulted Reference Obligation or any Deferring PIK Obligation that has been a Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation, as applicable, for no more than one month as of such date of determination: (1) the Reference Value of such Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation, minus (2) the product of (x) the lesser of (i) the Moody’s Recovery Rate for such Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation (or such lower recovery rate that the Reference Portfolio Manager determines is appropriate during such month) and (ii) the S&P Recovery Rate for such Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation and (y) the Reference Obligation Calculation Amount of such Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation. On any date of determination with respect to any Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation that has been a Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation for longer than one month but less than three years as of such date of determination: (1) the Reference Value of such Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation minus (2) the lesser of (A) the Market Value of such

Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation, as determined by the Reference Portfolio Manager and (B) the product of (x) the lesser of (i) the Moody's Recovery Rate for such Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation and (ii) the S&P Recovery Rate for such Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation and (y) the Reference Obligation Calculation Amount of such Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation. On any date of determination with respect to any Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation that has been a Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation for three years or more as of such date of determination, the Reference Value thereof;

(b) To the extent a Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation is converted or exchanged into an Equity Security, for so long as such Equity Security remains part of the Reference Portfolio, the Default Adjustment shall equal the applicable Reference Value; and

(c) In no event will the Default Adjustment be less than zero.

"Defaulted Reference Obligation": The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

"Deferred Interest": The amount of any interest that is not paid on the Class B Notes, Class C-1 Notes or Class C-2 Notes as a result of insufficient funds in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

"Deferring PIK Obligation": (i) Any Reference Obligation (other than a Structured Finance Obligation) that is a PIK Obligation in respect of which interest has been deferred or capitalized (and not subsequently paid) and (ii) any Reference Obligation that is a Structured Finance Obligation and a PIK Obligation (a) rated "Baa3" or higher by Moody's, in respect of which interest has been deferred or capitalized for at least two or more full interest periods or one year, whichever is less (and not subsequently paid) or (b) rated lower than "Baa3" by Moody's, in respect of which interest has been deferred or capitalized for one or more full interest periods or six months, whichever is less (and not subsequently paid).

"Deliver", "Delivered" or "Delivery": When used with respect to the Trust Estate or the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral means the taking of the following steps by the Issuer:

(a) in the case of each Certificated Security or Instrument (other than a Clearing Corporation Security or an Instrument referred to in clause (g) below), (A) causing the delivery of such Certificated Security or Instrument to the Securities Intermediary registered in the name of the Securities Intermediary or its affiliated nominee or endorsed to the Securities Intermediary or in blank, (B) causing the Securities Intermediary to continuously identify on its books and records that such Certificated Security or Instrument is credited to the relevant Trust Account or Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account, as applicable, and (C) causing the Securities Intermediary to maintain continuous possession of such Certificated Security or Instrument;

(b) in the case of each Uncertificated Security (other than a Clearing Corporation Security), (A) causing such Uncertificated Security to be continuously registered on the books of the obligor thereof to the Securities Intermediary and (B)

causing the Securities Intermediary to continuously identify on its books and records that such Uncertificated Security is credited to the relevant Trust Account or Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account, as applicable;

(c) in the case of each Clearing Corporation Security, causing (A) the relevant Clearing Corporation to continuously credit such Clearing Corporation Security to the securities account of the Securities Intermediary at such Clearing Corporation and (B) the Securities Intermediary to continuously identify on its books and records that such Clearing Corporation Security is credited to the relevant Trust Account or Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account, as applicable;

(d) in the case of any Financial Asset that is maintained in book-entry form on the records of a FRB, causing (A) the continuous crediting of such Financial Asset to a securities account of the Securities Intermediary at any FRB and (B) the Securities Intermediary to continuously identify on its books and records that such Financial Asset is credited to the relevant Trust Account or Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account, as applicable;

(e) in the case of each Financial Asset not covered by the foregoing clauses (a) through (d), causing the transfer of such Financial Asset to the Securities Intermediary in accordance with applicable law and regulation and causing the Securities Intermediary to continuously credit such Financial Asset to the relevant Trust Account or Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account, as applicable;

(f) in the case of each general intangible (including any participation interest that is not, or the debt underlying which is not, evidenced by an Instrument or Certificated Security), notifying the obligor thereunder of the Grant to the Trustee (unless no applicable law requires such notice);

(g) in the case of each participation interest in a loan as to which the underlying debt is represented by an Instrument, obtaining the acknowledgment of the Person in possession of such Instrument (which may not be the Issuer) that it holds the Issuer's interest in such Instrument solely on behalf and for the benefit of the Trustee;

(h) in the case of any "deposit account" as defined in Article 9 of the UCC, causing the institution with which such deposit account is maintained to maintain such deposit account in accordance with the Account Agreement; and

(i) in the case of any "securities account" causing the institution with which such securities account is maintained to maintain such securities account in accordance with the Account Agreement.

"Depository": The Depository Trust Company, its nominees and their respective successors, including any depository selected pursuant to Section 2.5.

"Determination Date": With respect to a Payment Date, the eighth Business Day preceding such Payment Date; provided that the final Determination Date will be the last day of the final Collection Period.

“Diversion Test”: A test which will be deemed satisfied as of any Determination Date related to any Payment Date following the Ramp-up End Date, if the Class C OC Test is satisfied as of such date, measured for this purpose as of the applicable Determination Date without giving effect to any payments made on the related Payment Date (including those made pursuant to any clause of the Priority of Payments ranking prior to the clause that provides for payments if the Diversion Test is not satisfied).

“Dollar” or “U.S. \$” or “\$”: a dollar of the United States of America.

“DTC”: The Depository Trust Company or its successor.

“Eligible Account”: Either (a) a domestic segregated account with an Eligible Institution or (b) a domestic segregated trust account with the corporate trust department of a depository institution organized under the laws of the United States of America or any one of the states thereof or the District of Columbia (or any domestic branch of a foreign bank), having corporate trust powers and acting as trustee for funds deposited in such account, so long as any of the securities of such depository institution shall have a credit rating from a nationally recognized statistical rating organization in one of its generic rating categories which signifies investment grade (e.g., in the case of S&P, “BBB-” or higher).

“Eligible Institution”: A depository institution organized under the laws of the United States of America or any one of the states thereof or the District of Columbia (or any domestic branch of a foreign bank), including the Trustee, (i) which has either (A) a long-term unsecured debt rating of “AA-,” “Aa3” or its equivalent from a nationally recognized statistical rating organization or (B) a certificate of deposit rating of at least “A-1,” “P-1” or its equivalent from a nationally recognized statistical rating organization or any other long-term, short-term or certificate of deposit rating acceptable to the Requisite Noteholders and the Swap Counterparty, (ii) whose deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and (iii) whose combined capital and surplus is at least U.S. \$200,000,000.

“Eligible Investments”: Any U.S. Dollar-denominated investment (other than obligations of the Swap Counterparty or any of its Affiliates) that is one or more of the following (and may include investments for which the Swap Counterparty, the Trustee and/or their respective Affiliates provide services but may not include investments for which the Reference Portfolio Manager provides services):

(a) cash;

(b) direct registered obligations of, and registered obligations the timely payment of principal and interest on which is fully and expressly guaranteed by, the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States the obligations of which are expressly backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, which in each case are not zero coupon securities;

(c) demand and time deposits in, trust accounts, certificates of deposit payable within 91 days of issuance of, bankers’ acceptances payable within 91 days of issuance issued by, or Federal funds sold by any depository institution or trust company incorporated under the laws of the United States or any state thereof and subject to supervision and examination by Federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or the debt

obligations of such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company), at the time of such investment or contractual commitment providing for such investment and throughout the term of the investment, have a credit rating of not less than “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by Standard & Poor’s and in each case are not on watch for downgrade, or “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by Standard & Poor’s in the case of commercial paper and short-term debt obligations; provided that in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such investment a long-term credit rating of not less than “AA-” by Standard & Poor’s and “Aa3” by Moody’s and a short-term rating of “A-1+” by Standard & Poor’s and “P-1” by Moody’s, and if so rated, is not on watch for downgrade;

(d) commercial paper or other short-term obligations with a maturity of not more than 91 days from the date of issuance and having at the time of such investment a credit rating of at least “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by Standard & Poor’s, provided, that, in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such investment a long-term credit rating of not less than “Aa2” by Moody’s, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade.

(e) unleveraged repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clause (b) above entered into with a U.S. federal or state depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (c) above or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose long-term credit rating is not less than “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by Standard & Poor’s and in each case are not on watch for downgrade or whose short-term credit rating is “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by Standard & Poor’s at the time of such investment and throughout the term of the investment; provided, that, if such repurchase obligation has a maturity of longer than 91 days, the counterparty thereto must also have at the time of such investment and throughout the term of the investment a long-term credit rating of not less than “Aa2” by Moody’s and “AAA” by Standard & Poor’s, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(f) any money market fund or similar investment vehicle having at the time of investment therein and throughout the term of the investment a credit rating of “MR1+” by Moody’s and “AAAm” by Standard & Poor’s; including any fund for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee serves as an investment advisor, administrator, shareholder servicing agent, custodian or subcustodian, notwithstanding that (A) the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses from such funds for services rendered (provided that such charges, fees and expenses are on terms consistent with terms negotiated at arm’s length) and (B) the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses for services rendered, pursuant to this Indenture;

(g) a guaranteed reinvestment agreement from a bank (if treated as a deposit by such bank), insurance company or other corporation or entity organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (if treated as debt by such insurance company or other corporation or entity), providing for periodic payments thereunder during each Collection Period; provided that each such agreement provides that it is terminable by the purchaser, without premium or penalty, in the event that the rating assigned to such agreement by either Moody’s or Standard & Poor’s is at any time lower than the then current ratings assigned to any Class of Senior Notes; provided, further, that, at the time of investment therein and throughout the term of

the investment, the issuer of such agreement has a senior unsecured long-term debt rating, issuer rating or counterparty rating of at least “Aaa” by Moody’s, a short-term debt rating of “P-1” by Moody’s (and not on watch for downgrade), a short-term debt rating of at least “A-1+” by Standard & Poor’s and a long-term debt rating of at least “AAA” by Standard & Poor’s (and not on watch for downgrade);

(h) the Investment Agreement (together with the Investment Agreement Guaranty or any other guaranty in respect thereof); and

(i) such other investments for which Rating Confirmation has been received;

provided that the Eligible Investments in the Collateral Account (except the Investment Agreement) shall be required to mature on or before the Business Day prior to the next Payment Date, and Eligible Investments in the Collection Account shall be required to mature on or before the Business Day prior to the next Payment Date; provided, further that each Eligible Investment must bear a stated rate of interest and any floating rate of interest must reset on or prior to the next Payment Date of the Notes; provided, further that each Eligible Investment provides, at the time of purchase, solely for payments that will not be subject to withholding tax unless the issuer or obligor (and the guarantor, if any) of the security or obligation is required to make “gross-up” payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax (or return the invested amount at par); provided, further that ownership of such Eligible Investments will not subject the Issuer or Co-Issuer to net income tax in any jurisdiction where it would not otherwise be subject to tax; provided, further that Eligible Investments may not include (a) any interest-only security, any security purchased at a price in excess of 100% of the par value thereof, any security the repayment of which is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined in the business judgment of the Swap Counterparty (or the Reference Portfolio Manager on its behalf) or any security that has a rating assigned by S&P that contains an “r”, “t”, “p”, “pi” or “q” subscript, (b) any floating rate security the interest rate with respect to which is inversely or otherwise not proportionately related to an interest rate index or is calculated as other than the sum of an interest rate index plus a spread or (c) any security subject to a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion or other similar action.

“Equity Security”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“ERISA”: The U.S. Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, and any successor statute thereto.

“ERISA Restricted Notes”: The Income Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class Q-2B Securities.

“Euroclear”: Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear System, or any successor thereto.

“Event of Default”: The meaning specified in Section 5.1.

“Exchange Act”: The U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

“Exchange Date”: The first Business Day following the 40<sup>th</sup> day after the later of the Closing Date and the commencement of the offering of the Notes.

“Excluded Property”: Collectively, \$1,000 the Issuer received in connection with the issuance of the Ordinary Shares of the Issuer and \$1,000 the Issuer received as a fee for issuing the Securities, and the income thereon and the bank account in which such monies are held.

“Expense Cap Amount”: With respect to any Payment Date, an amount not to exceed: (a) with respect to Administrative Expenses specified in clause (v)(F) of the definition of “Administrative Expenses” herein, U.S. \$50,000 per annum (pro rated for the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period), minus the amount of Administrative Expenses specified in clause (v)(F) paid during the Periodic Interest Accrual Period immediately preceding such Payment Date and (b) with respect to all other Administrative Expenses in the aggregate, 0.04% of the Swap Notional Amount plus \$150,000 per annum (pro rated for the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period), minus the amount of Administrative Expenses (other than those specified in clause (v)(F) thereof) paid during the Periodic Interest Accrual Period immediately preceding such Payment Date.

“Expense Reserve Account”: The account created and designated as the “Valhalla CLO, Ltd. – Expense Reserve Account” under Section 8.2(e).

“Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification”: With respect to a Maturity Extension and each beneficial owner of Senior Notes (including in the form of the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component) other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such beneficial owner acceptable to the Trustee to the effect that it held Senior Notes (including in the form of the Class Q-1 Senior Note Component) other than Extension Sale Securities on the Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof and wire transfer instructions for the Extension Bonus Payment and any required documentation thereunder.

“Extension Bonus Payment”: With respect to a Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable beneficial owner set forth in Section 2.15(g) in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Class A-1 Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class A-2 Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the Extension Effective Date, (3) in the case of the Class B Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the Extension Effective Date and (4) in the case of the Class C Notes, 0.50% of the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the Extension Effective Date.

“Extension Conditions”: The meaning specified in Section 2.15(c).

“Extension Determination Date”: The 8<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the Extension Effective Date.

“Extension Effective Date”: The Payment Date in August 2009.

“Extension Notice”: The meaning specified in Section 2.15(d).

“Extension Qualifying Purchasers”: One or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Swap Counterparty or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Swap Counterparty (or its Affiliate) to purchase Securities from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.15(c).

“Extension Purchase Price”: The purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with the Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (a) in the case of the Senior Notes, the Aggregate Principal Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), plus, in the case of the Class C-2 Notes, the applicable Make-whole Premium, (b) in the case of the Income Notes, an amount that, together with any amounts paid to the Holders with respect to those Income Notes from the Closing Date to and including the Extension Effective Date, shall result in an internal rate of return with respect to those Income Notes of 18% per annum, provided, however, that if the Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received an internal rate of return equal to or in excess of 18% per annum, the applicable Extension Purchase Price for Income Notes shall be zero and (c) in the case of the Class Q-1 Securities, an amount determined based on the respective purchase prices for the relevant Class Q-1 Senior Note Component and the Class Q-1 Income Note Component thereof.

“Extension Sale Notice”: The meaning specified in Section 2.15(d)(iii).

“Extension Sale Notice Period”: The meaning specified in Section 2.15(d)(iii).

“Extension Sale Securities”: The meaning specified in Section 2.15(b).

“Final Class Q-2B Distribution Amount”: The meaning specified in Section 2.17(iii)(B).

“Final Income Note Distribution Amount”: The meaning specified in Section 8.6(b)(xix).

“Fixed Amount”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“FRB”: Any Federal Reserve Bank.

“Global Notes”: The Regulation S Global Notes, the Rule 144A Global Notes and the Temporary Regulation S Global Notes (and, unless the context otherwise requires, the Class Q-1 Temp Reg S Global Securities and the Class Q-1 Reg S Global Securities).

“Grant”: means to grant, bargain, sell, warrant, alienate, remise, demise, release, convey, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge, create and grant a security interest in and right of set-off against, deposit, set over and confirm. A Grant shall include all rights, powers and options (but none of the obligations) of the granting party thereunder, including without limitation the immediate continuing right to claim for, collect and receive principal and interest payments in respect of the subject property, and all other Monies payable thereunder, to give and receive notices and other communications, to make waivers or other agreements, to exercise all rights and options, to bring Proceedings in the name of the granting party or otherwise, and generally to



do and receive anything that the granting party is or may be entitled to do or receive thereunder or with respect thereto.

“Holder”: With respect to any Note, Class Q-1 Security or Class Q-2 Security, the Person in whose name such Note or Class Q Security is registered in the Securities Register. “Noteholder” and “Securityholder” will have corresponding meanings.

“Incentive Amount”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“Income Note Principal Distribution Amount”: The meaning specified in Section 8.6(b)(xix).

“Income Notes”: The meaning specified in Section 2.3(b).

“Indenture Calculation Agent”: The meaning specified in Section 10.3.

“Indenture Tax Event”: Either (i) the adoption of, or a change in, any tax statute (including the Code), treaty, regulation (whether temporary or final), rule, ruling, practice, procedure or judicial decision or interpretation which results or will result in withholding tax payments in an amount in excess of 10% of the net income of the Issuer during the Collection Period as a result of the imposition of withholding tax on payments to the Issuer with respect to which the obligors are not required to make gross-up payments that cover the full amount of such withholding taxes on an after-tax basis or (ii) a final determination by the Internal Revenue Service or a court of competent jurisdiction or an opinion of nationally recognized tax counsel experienced in such matters acceptable to the Swap Counterparty and the Reference Portfolio Manager to the effect that the Issuer is or has become subject to taxation in an amount in excess of 10% of the net income of the Issuer during the Collection Period, whether as a result of being deemed to be engaged in the conduct of a trade or business within the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes or otherwise.

“Independent”: As to any Person, any other Person (including, in the case of an accountant, or lawyer, a firm of accountants or lawyers and any member thereof) who (i) does not have and is not committed to acquire any material direct or any material indirect financial interest in such Person or in any Affiliate of such Person, and (ii) is not connected with such Person as an officer, employee, promoter, underwriter, voting trustee, partner, director or Person performing similar functions.

“Independent Accountants”: The meaning specified in Section 8.9.

“Indirect Participant”: A Person who holds an interest in a Global Note through a Participant.

“Initial Consent Period”: The period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee mailed (i) a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 9.2(d) or (ii) a proposed amendment to the Swap Agreement pursuant to Section 7.26(c), as applicable, in either case to the Holders of Securities.

“Initial Purchaser”: With respect to the Senior Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class Q-2A Securities, Citigroup Global Markets Inc. The term “initial purchaser” (lower case) refers to the initial purchasers of the Notes, Class Q-1 Securities and Class Q-2 Securities from the Initial Purchaser or through the Placement Agent, as applicable.

“Initial Reference Obligations”: The Reference Obligations included in the Reference Portfolio under the Swap Agreement as of the Closing Date.

“Instrument”: The meaning given to such term in the UCC.

“Interest Coverage Ratios”: The Class A Interest Coverage Ratio, the Class B Interest Coverage Ratio and the Class C Interest Coverage Ratio.

“Interest Coverage Tests”: The Class A Interest Coverage Test, the Class B Interest Coverage Test and the Class C Interest Coverage Test.

“Interest Rate”: The Class A-1 Interest Rate, the Class A-2 Interest Rate, the Class B Interest Rate, the Class C-1 Interest Rate and the Class C-2 Interest Rate, as the context requires.

“Investment Agreement”: The investment agreement (No. 000441) dated as of the Closing Date among the Investment Agreement Counterparty, the Issuer and the Trustee, as may be amended, supplemented and/or otherwise modified and in effect from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

“Investment Agreement Counterparty”: From time to time, the “Provider” specified in the Investment Agreement, which initially shall be FSA Capital Management Services LLC, a Delaware limited liability company.

“Investment Agreement Guarantor”: From time to time, the “Guarantor,” if any, specified in the Investment Agreement, which initially shall be Financial Security Assurance Inc., a New York stock insurance company.

“Investment Agreement Guaranty”: From time to time, the “Guaranty” in effect, if any, specified in the Investment Agreement, such instrument initially being the Financial Guaranty Insurance Policy, including Endorsement No. 1 thereto (Policy No. No. 90365-N), dated the Closing Date, issued by the initial Investment Agreement Guarantor.

“Investment Company Act”: The U.S. Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

“Irish Transfer Agent”: The meaning specified in Section 10.2.

“ISDA”: The International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc.

“Issuer”: Valhalla CLO, Ltd., an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands, and its permitted successors and assigns.

“Issuer Order”: A written order signed in the name of the Issuer by any one of its Authorized Officers and delivered to the Trustee.

“Issuers”: The Issuer and the Co-Issuer. References to “such Issuer,” “the applicable Issuer” and the like shall be references to either the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the context requires.

“LIBOR”: As determined by the Indenture Calculation Agent with respect to each Periodic Interest Accrual Period other than the first Periodic Interest Accrual Period, the rate for three-month U.S. Dollar deposits in Europe which appears on Telerate Page 3750 (as defined in the Annex to the 2000 ISDA Definitions) as reported by Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News, or such page as may replace such Telerate Page 3750, as of 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the related LIBOR Determination Date; provided, that if, on any LIBOR Determination Date, such rate does not appear on Telerate Page 3750, or such page as may replace such Telerate Page 3750, the Indenture Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks to leading banks in the London interbank market for three-month U.S. Dollar deposits in Europe in an amount determined by the Indenture Calculation Agent by reference to requests for quotations as of approximately 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the relevant LIBOR Determination Date. If, on any LIBOR Determination Date, at least two of the Reference Banks provide such quotations, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean of such quotations. If, on any LIBOR Determination Date, only one or none of the Reference Banks provides such quotations, LIBOR shall be deemed to be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that leading banks in the City of New York selected by the Indenture Calculation Agent are quoting on the relevant LIBOR Determination Date for three-month U.S. Dollar deposits in Europe in an amount determined by the Indenture Calculation Agent by reference to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market; provided, however, that if the Indenture Calculation Agent is required but is unable to determine a rate in accordance with at least one of the procedures provided above, LIBOR shall be determined by the Indenture Calculation Agent in a commercially reasonable manner.

LIBOR for the Periodic Interest Accrual Period beginning on the Closing Date will be 1.88230% per annum.

“LIBOR Determination Date”: The second London Business Day prior to the commencement of a Periodic Interest Accrual Period.

“Listing Agent”: The meaning specified in Section 7.22.

“London Business Day”: Any Business Day on which commercial banks are open for dealings in deposits in U.S. Dollars in the London interbank market.

“Make-whole Premium”: With respect to the Class C-2 Notes, the premium payable to the Holders of the Class C-2 Notes in connection with (i) an Optional Redemption of such Notes, (ii) the purchase of such Notes that are Extension Sale Securities in connection with the Maturity Extension, if any, or (iii) the purchase of such Notes in connection with an Amendment Buy-Out, as applicable, in each case in an amount equal to the excess, if any, of (x) the present value (discounted to the Optional Redemption Date, Extension Effective Date or date

of Amendment Buy-Out, as applicable, using the Reinvestment Yield as the discount rate on a semi-annual basis using a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months) of the remaining payments of interest and principal due on the Class C-2 Notes, assuming that the entire outstanding principal amount of the applicable Class C-2 Notes will be paid on the Payment Date occurring in November 2013 and that each intervening payment of interest on the Class C-2 Notes will be made on the related Payment Date in its entirety (and therefore there is no Deferred Interest on the Class C-2 Notes) over (y) the Aggregate Principal Amount of the applicable Class C-2 Notes on the Optional Redemption Date, Extension Effective Date or date of Amendment Buy-Out, as applicable; provided that in no event shall any Make-whole Premium be less than zero.

“Market Value”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“Maturity Date”: August 1, 2016, or, in the case of a Maturity Extension pursuant to Section 2.15, August 1, 2020.

“Maturity Extension”: The meaning specified in Section 2.15(a) hereof.

“Measurement Date”: Any of (a) the date of any addition or removal of a Reference Obligation under the Swap Agreement, (b) each Determination Date, (c) each Monthly Report Determination Date and (d) with reasonable prior written notice to the Issuer, the Reference Portfolio Manager and the Trustee, any Business Day that a Rating Agency or the Swap Counterparty requests to be a “Measurement Date;” provided that, if any such date would otherwise fall on a day that is not a Business Day, the relevant Measurement Date will be the immediately following Business Day.

“Money”: The meaning specified in Section 1-201(24) of the UCC.

“Monthly Report”: The meaning specified in Section 8.7.

“Monthly Report Determination Date”: The 15th day of each calendar month (other than the month immediately preceding the month in which a Payment Date occurs).

“Moody’s”: Moody’s Investors Service, Inc. or any successor thereto.

“Moody’s Rating”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“Moody’s Recovery Rate”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“Net Class Q-2B Periodic Return Amount”: The meaning specified in Section 2.17(d)(i)(D).

“Net Income Note Periodic Return Amount”: The meaning specified in Section 8.6(a)(xvii).

“Net Interest Coverage Proceeds”: With respect to any Measurement Date, (i) the amount of Payment Date Proceeds for the next following Payment Date plus (ii) the sum of the Subordinate Amount and the Incentive Amount, if any, for such Payment Date minus (iii) the amounts payable under Sections 8.6(a)(i) and (ii) for such Payment Date. For purposes of

calculating Net Interest Coverage Proceeds on a Measurement Date other than a Determination Date, the amounts described above will be determined assuming that the composition of the Reference Portfolio and Eligible Investments will not change prior to the next Determination Date, that there will be no unscheduled Administrative Expenses after such Measurement Date and prior to the next Determination Date and that no interest will be payable on any Reference Obligation that is a Defaulted Reference Obligation or Deferring PIK Obligation.

“Non-consenting Holder”: With respect to any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 9.2 or amendment to the Swap Agreement pursuant to Section 7.26(a), in each case that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, any Holder or, in the case of Securities represented by Global Notes, any beneficial owner, that either (i) has declared in writing that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or amendment to the Swap Agreement, as applicable, or (ii) had not consented to such supplemental indenture or amendment to the Swap Agreement, as applicable, within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

“Non-Permitted ERISA Holder”: The meaning specified in Section 2.6(o).

“Note Purchase Agreement”: The agreement between the Initial Purchaser and the Issuers, dated as of the Business Day preceding the Closing Date.

“Note Redemption Amount”: With respect to a Payment Date after the end of the Portfolio Modification Period, the Swap Reduction Amount under the Swap Agreement (plus any Quarterly Aggregate Increase Amount, but minus any Quarterly Aggregate Reduction Amount) for such date (but only to the extent the aggregate of such amounts for such Payment Date and prior Payment Dates exceeds \$648,000,000).

“Notes”: The Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C-1 Notes, the Class C-2 Notes and the Income Notes, collectively.

“Obligation Value Increase Amount”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“Obligation Value Reduction Amount”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“OC Base Amount”: As of any Measurement Date, the aggregate principal amount of all Eligible Investments in the Collateral Account (other than those representing an investment of interest proceeds of Eligible Investments) as of such date plus the Accrued Increase/Reduction Amount as of such date minus the sum of (1) an amount equal to the aggregate of the Default Adjustments for all Defaulted Reference Obligations and Deferring PIK Obligations as of such date and (2) the Outstanding Premium as of such date.

“Offering Circular”: The final offering circular, dated August 17, 2004, with respect to the offering of the Securities, as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified.

“Officer’s Certificate”: A certificate signed on behalf of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by any Authorized Officer and delivered to the Trustee. Unless otherwise specified, any

reference in this Indenture to an Officer's Certificate shall be to an Officer's Certificate signed by any Authorized Officer.

"Opinion of Counsel": A written opinion, unless otherwise specified herein addressed to the Trustee, the Swap Counterparty and each Rating Agency and in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee, each Rating Agency and the Swap Counterparty, of an attorney at law admitted to practice before the highest court of any state of the United States or the District of Columbia (or the Cayman Islands or other relevant jurisdiction, in the case of an opinion relating to the laws of the Cayman Islands or such jurisdiction), which attorney may, except as otherwise expressly provided in the Indenture, be counsel for the Issuer or the Trustee.

"Opinion of Tax Counsel": An Opinion of Counsel of a nationally recognized tax law firm experienced in the matters addressed in the Opinion.

"Optional Redemption": The meaning specified in Section 2.14(e).

"Optional Redemption Date": The meaning specified in Section 2.14(e).

"Ordinary Shares": 1,000 voting ordinary shares, par value U.S. \$1.00 per share, of the Issuer.

"Outstanding": (a) With respect to the Notes, as of any date of determination, "Outstanding" refers to all Notes theretofore authenticated and delivered under this Indenture other than Notes cancelled, redeemed, exchanged or replaced in accordance with the terms of this Indenture and (b) with respect to the Class Q Securities, as of any date of determination, "Outstanding" refers to any and all Class Q Securities theretofore issued and paid for under this Indenture other than the Class Q Securities cancelled, redeemed, exchanged or replaced in accordance with the terms of this Indenture.

"Outstanding Premium": The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

"Overcollateralization Ratios": The Class A Overcollateralization Ratio, the Class B Overcollateralization Ratio and the Class C Overcollateralization Ratio, collectively.

"Overcollateralization Tests": The Class A OC Test, the Class B OC Test and the Class C OC Test.

"Participant": With respect to the Depositary, Euroclear or Clearstream, a Person who has an account with the Depositary, Euroclear or Clearstream, respectively (and, with respect to DTC, shall include Participants holding securities positions on behalf of Euroclear and Clearstream).

"Paying Agent": The Trustee and, so long as any Securities are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Listing Agent or any other Person appointed pursuant to Section 10.1 that meets the eligibility standards for the Trustee specified in Section 6.10 and is authorized by the Issuer and the Co-Issuer to make payments of amounts on the Notes on behalf of the Issuer.

“Payment Date”: With respect to a Class of Notes, the 1<sup>st</sup> day of each February, May, August and November commencing on and including February 1, 2005 (or if any such day is not a Business Day, the first Business Day thereafter), and ending on and including the earlier of the final redemption date for such Class and the Maturity Date.

“Payment Date Priority of Payments”: The meaning specified in Section 8.6(a).

“Payment Date Proceeds”: With respect to a Payment Date, the total of (i) the net amount, if any, paid by the Swap Counterparty in respect of the Adjusted Reference Portfolio Return Amount and the Fixed Amount for such Payment Date, (ii) interest and dividends received with respect to Eligible Investments in the Trust Accounts (including interest and dividends received on amounts on deposit in the Collateral Account) during the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period, (iii) on the first Payment Date only, all amounts deposited into the Collection Account from the Expense Reserve Account pursuant to Section 8.2(e), and (iv) principal proceeds of Eligible Investments and other amounts on deposit in the Collateral Account, but in the case of this clause (iv) only (A) to the extent of the Quarterly Aggregate Reduction Amount, if any, for that date, and (B) without duplication of clause (A), to the extent other funds are not otherwise available (but in the case of (B) solely for purposes of making payments pursuant to clauses (ii) and (xiii) of the Payment Date Priority of Payments (provided, that no amount pursuant to this clause (iv) will be used to make payments as provided in clause (xiii) of the Payment Date Priority of Payments unless all of the Senior Notes have been retired)).

“Payment Date Valuation Report”: The meaning specified in Section 8.8.

“Periodic Interest”: The Class A-1 Interest Amount, the Class A-2 Interest Amount, the Class B Interest Amount, the Class C-1 Interest Amount, the Class C-2 Interest Amount and the Class Q-2A Interest Amount, as the context may require.

“Periodic Interest Accrual Period”: (a) With respect to the initial Payment Date, the period from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the initial Payment Date, and (b) with respect to each Payment Date thereafter, the period from and including the preceding Payment Date to but excluding such Payment Date; provided that in the case of the Class C-2 Notes, the Periodic Interest Accrual Period will not be adjusted in the event a scheduled Payment Date would otherwise occur on a day that is not a Business Day.

“Person”: Any individual, corporation, partnership, limited liability partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust (including any beneficiary thereof), unincorporated organization or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

“PIK Obligation”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“Placement Agent”: Citigroup Global Markets Inc.

“Plan”: Any (a) “employee benefit plan” (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) subject to the provisions of Title I of ERISA, (b) “plan” (as defined in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code) subject to the provisions of Section 4975 of the Code or (c) entity whose underlying assets

include “plan assets” by reason of Department of Labor regulation Section 2510.3-101 or otherwise.

“Pledged Securities”: As of any date, the Eligible Investments credited to any of the Trust Accounts.

“Portfolio Modification Period”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“Principal Priority of Payments”: The meaning specified in Section 8.6(b).

“Priority of Payments”: The Payment Date Priority of Payments and the Principal Priority of Payments.

“Proceeding”: Any suit in equity, action at law or other judicial or administrative proceeding.

“Qualified Institutional Buyer”: A “qualified institutional buyer” as defined in Rule 144A(a)(1) under the Securities Act.

“Qualified Purchaser”: A “qualified purchaser” for purposes of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act.

“Quarterly Aggregate Increase Amount”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“Quarterly Aggregate Reduction Amount”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“Quarterly Amortization Increase Amount”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“Ramp-up End Date”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“Ramp-up Period”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“Rating Agency”: Either of Moody’s or Standard & Poor’s; “Rating Agencies” shall mean Moody’s and Standard & Poor’s, collectively.

“Rating Confirmation”: With respect to any specified action, the written confirmation by both Rating Agencies, or if expressly stated, by a specified Rating Agency, that such Rating Agency will not qualify, downgrade or withdraw its then-current respective rating of any Class of Senior Notes or the Class Q-1 Securities solely as a result of such action.

“Record Date”: With respect to a Payment Date or Maturity Date or the Class Q-2 Maturity Date, as applicable, the close of business on the fifteenth day prior to such date, or if such day is not a Business Day, the close of business on the next Business Day.



“Reference Banks”: With respect to the determination of LIBOR by the Indenture Calculation Agent, any four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Indenture Calculation Agent for such purpose.

“Reference Obligation”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“Reference Obligation Calculation Amount”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“Reference Obligation Eligibility Criteria”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“Reference Portfolio”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“Reference Portfolio Criteria”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“Reference Portfolio Management Agreement”: The Reference Portfolio Management Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Swap Counterparty and the Reference Portfolio Manager.

“Reference Portfolio Manager”: Highland Capital Management, L.P. and its approved successors and assigns.

“Reference Value”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“Registrar”: The meaning specified in Section 2.6(a).

“Regulation S”: Regulation S promulgated under the Securities Act.

“Regulation S Global Note”: The meaning set forth in Section 2.2(b)(i).

“Reinvestment Yield”: With respect to the Class C-2 Notes, the rate equal to the sum of (a) 1.30% and (b) the applicable yield to maturity implied by (i) the yields reported, as of 10:00 a.m. (New York City time) on the tenth Business Day preceding the Optional Redemption Date, Extension Effective Date or date of Amendment Buy-Out, as applicable, on the display designated as “Govt PX1” on Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News (or such other display as may replace such display) for actively traded U.S. Treasury securities having a maturity as nearly as practicable equal to the Payment Date occurring in November 2013 or (ii) if such yields are not reported as of such time or the yields reported as of such time are not ascertainable, the Treasury Constant Maturity Series Yields reported, for the latest day for which such yields have been so reported as of the tenth Business Day preceding the Optional Redemption Date, Extension Effective Date or date of Amendment Buy-Out, as applicable, in Federal Reserve Statistical Release H.15 (519) (or any comparable successor publication) for actively traded U.S. Treasury securities having a constant maturity as nearly as practicable equal to the Payment Date occurring in November 2013.

“Reminder Notice”: The meaning specified in Section 8.8.

“Repository”: The internet-based password protected electronic repository of transaction documents relating to privately offered and sold collateralized debt obligation securities located at [www.cdolibrary.com](http://www.cdolibrary.com) or successors thereto.

“Requisite Noteholders”: The holders of 66 2/3% or more of the Aggregate Principal Amount of (a) the Class A-1 Notes, so long as any Class A-1 Notes remain Outstanding, (b) thereafter the Class A-2 Notes, so long as any Class A-2 Notes remain Outstanding, (c) thereafter the Class B Notes, so long as any Class B Notes remain Outstanding, (d) thereafter the Class C-1 Notes and the Class C-2 Notes (voting as a single class), so long as any Class C Notes remain Outstanding, and (e) thereafter the Income Notes, so long as any Income Notes remain Outstanding.

“Responsible Officer”: With respect to the Trustee, any officer within the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee who is responsible for the administration of this Indenture, including any Vice President, Assistant Vice President, Assistant Treasurer, Trust Officer, or any other officer of the Trustee customarily performing functions similar to those performed by any of the above designated officers and also, with respect to a particular matter, any other officer within the Corporate Trust Office to whom such matter is referred because of such officer’s knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject.

“Rule 144A”: Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

“Rule 144A Global Note”: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(b)(ii).

“Rule 144A Information”: The meaning specified in Section 2.6(c).

“Sale”: The meaning specified in Section 5.2.

“Secured Parties”: The meaning specified in the Preliminary Statement to this Indenture.

“Securities”: Collectively, the Notes, the Class Q-1 Securities and the Class Q-2 Securities.

“Securities Act”: The U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

“Securities Intermediary”: The entity maintaining a Trust Account pursuant to an Account Agreement.

“Securities Register”: The meaning specified in Section 2.6(a).

“Senior Notes”: The Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-2 Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C-1 Notes and the Class C-2 Notes, collectively

“Share Trustee”: Walkers SPV Limited and its permitted successors.

“Standard & Poor’s” or “S&P”: Standard & Poor’s Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc., or any successor thereto.

“S&P Recovery Rate”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“Structured Finance Obligation”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“Subordinate Amount”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“Subordinated Administrative Expenses”: Technology expenses of the Swap Counterparty and its Affiliates in connection with transactions contemplated hereby and by the Swap Agreement not to exceed \$50,000 in any calendar year; provided, however, that Subordinated Administrative Expenses shall not include any amounts due or accrued with respect to actions taken on or prior to the Closing Date which amounts shall be payable only from the Expense Reserve Account pursuant to Section 8.2(e).

“Swap Additional Termination Event”: An “Additional Termination Event” or a “Tax Event Upon Merger” under the Swap Agreement as to which the Swap Counterparty is the affected party.

“Swap Agreement”: The portfolio swap agreement entered into by the Issuer with the Swap Counterparty, dated as of the Closing Date, which will be documented on the standard form of the 2002 ISDA Master Agreement published by ISDA, as supplemented by the schedule thereto and related documents, and a confirmation for the portfolio swap transaction thereunder, together with the annexes thereto evidencing the Reference Portfolio, as amended or supplemented from time to time.

“Swap Agreement Amendment”: The meaning specified in Section 7.26.

“Swap Counterparty”: Citigroup Financial Products Inc., or any successor thereto.

“Swap Event of Default”: An “Event of Default” under the Swap Agreement.

“Swap Guarantee”: The Guarantee, dated as of the Closing Date by the Swap Guarantor in favor of the Issuer with respect to the Swap Agreement.

“Swap Guarantor”: Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc. or any successor thereto.

“Swap Reduction Amount”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“Swap Termination Date”: The meaning specified in the Swap Agreement.

“Swap Termination Event”: A “Termination Event” under the Swap Agreement.

“Swap Termination Payment”: The amount, if any, payable by the Issuer or the Swap Counterparty to the other party in respect of an Early Termination Date under the Swap Agreement (as defined therein).

“Tax Redemption”: The meaning specified in Section 2.14(d).

“Tax Redemption Date”: The meaning specified in Section 2.14(d).

“Temporary Regulation S Global Note”: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(b)(i).

“Transferee Certificate”: The Transferee Certificate with respect to the Income Notes substantially in the form of Exhibit IN-2 hereto.

“Transfer Letter”: The Transfer Letter substantially in the form of Exhibit E-1 or Exhibit E-2 hereto, as applicable.

“Trust Accounts”: The Collection Account, the Expense Reserve Account and the Collateral Account, collectively.

“Trust Estate”: The meaning set forth under “Grant of Security Interest” on page 1 of this Indenture.

“Trustee”: JPMorgan Chase Bank, as trustee under this Indenture and its permitted successors.

“Trustee Expenses”: With respect to any Payment Date (including without limitation the Maturity Date), an amount equal to the sum of all amounts incurred by or otherwise owing to the Trustee hereunder in any Collection Period in accordance with the Indenture other than the Trustee Fee.

“Trustee Fee”: With respect to any Payment Date, the amount separately agreed to by the Issuer and the Trustee in that certain letter dated as of the Closing Date.

“UCC”: The Uniform Commercial Code as in effect from time to time in the State of New York.

“U.S. Person”: The meaning assigned to such term in Regulation S under the Securities Act.

## **EXHIBIT PPP**

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**SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE**

**VALHALLA CLO, LTD.,**  
as Issuer

**VALHALLA CLO, INC.,**  
as Co-Issuer

**THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL  
ASSOCIATION,**  
as Trustee

**Dated as of July 25, 2016**

This **SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE** (this “Supplemental Indenture”), dated as of July 25, 2016, by and among VALHALLA CLO, LTD., an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the “Issuer”), VALHALLA CLO, INC., a Delaware corporation (the “Co-Issuer”, and together with the Issuer, the “Co-Issuers”), and THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as trustee and securities intermediary (together with its permitted successors and assigns in the trusts hereunder, the “Trustee”) and consented to by HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P. (the “Reference Portfolio Manager”) and CITIGROUP FINANCIAL PRODUCTS INC., as swap counterparty (the “Swap Counterparty”) hereby amends that certain Indenture, dated as of August 18, 2004 (the “Indenture”), by and among the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, and the Trustee. Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings given to such terms in the Indenture.

### **PRELIMINARY STATEMENT**

WHEREAS, the Co-Issuers desire to enter into a supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 9.2(a) of the Indenture to make such changes as shall be necessary or advisable in order for the Issuer to allow (i) participating Holders of Income Notes to extend the maturity with respect to their Income Notes past the Swap Termination Date, (ii) non-participating Holders of Income Notes to receive their final distribution on the existing Maturity Date (after which such Holders will not be entitled to any further distributions under the Indenture (in accordance with its terms as if un-amended by this Supplemental Indenture or the extension of participating Holders)) (iii) and to enable the Issuer (or subsidiaries) to hold assets from the Reference Portfolio after the Swap Termination Date;

WHEREAS, the Swap Counterparty has not extended the Portfolio Modification Agreement or the Swap Termination Date pursuant to the Indenture;

WHEREAS, the Co-Issuers have received the consent of a majority of the Holders of the Income Notes with respect to this Supplemental Indenture;

WHEREAS, the Co-Issuers have complied with all conditions precedent provided for in the Indenture relating to this Supplemental Indenture;

WHEREAS, the Co-Issuers have requested that the Trustee execute and deliver this Supplemental Indenture; and

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing, the parties hereto agree as follows:

#### **A. AMENDMENTS.**

1. The “Grant Of Security Interest” is hereby amended by adding the Custodial Account to clause (i) thereof as follows:

(i) each of the Custodial Account, the Collateral Account, the Collection Account, the Expense Reserve Account, any subaccounts thereof and all financial assets credited to, and amounts on deposit or credit balances carried in, each of them from time to time;

2. Section 1.1 of the Indenture is hereby amended by amending the last sentence thereof as follows:

Capitalized terms used in Sections 8.7, 8.8 and 8.9 and in Schedule A that are not defined herein have the meanings specified in the Swap Agreement; provided that, to the extent used and not defined herein after the Swap Termination Date, such terms shall continue to have the meanings specified in the Swap Agreement and such meanings will survive notwithstanding the Swap Termination Date.

3. Section 2.3(a) of the Indenture is hereby amended by amending the second sentence thereof as follows:

The Maturity Date for each Class of Notes is August 1, 2016, or, if the maturity is extended pursuant to Section 2.15 hereof, August 1, 2020, or, in the case of a Post Swap Maturity Extension pursuant to Section 2.15(h) with respect to the Post Swap Extending Income Notes, such maturity as extended by such Post Swap Maturity Extension.

4. Section 2.15 of the Indenture is hereby amended by adding new Section 2.15(h) at the end thereof as follows:

(h) Post Swap Maturity Extension.

(i) Participating Holders of Income Notes (any such Holder, a “Post Swap Extending Holder”) may request that the Maturity Date with respect to their Income Notes (such Income Notes, “Post Swap Extending Income Notes”) be extended beyond the existing Maturity Date and beyond the Swap Termination Date until such Post Swap Extending Income Notes are redeemed pursuant to an Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 2.14(e) of this Indenture or the Reference Portfolio Manager has liquidated the transferred Reference Portfolio (such extension, the “Post Swap Maturity Extension”), so long as the Post Swap Maturity Extension Condition set forth below is satisfied.

(ii) Each Income Noteholder wishing to participate as a Post Swap Extending Holder shall give irrevocable notice (a “Post Swap Maturity Extension Notice”) to the Trustee no later than July 20, 2016 (or such later date that may be agreed to by the Reference Portfolio Manager) of its intention to participate in a Post Swap Maturity Extension (the “Post Swap Maturity Extension Notice Date”). The Post Swap Maturity Extension shall be conditioned upon (x) the consent of the Reference Portfolio Manager and (y) the Trustee’s receipt of Post Swap Maturity Extension Notices from Holders of Income Notes representing at least \$41,000,000 in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Income Notes by the Post Swap Maturity Extension Notice Date (the “Post Swap Maturity Extension Condition”). Following receipt of an Issuer Order stating that the Post Swap Maturity Extension Condition is satisfied and the Post Swap Maturity Extension is effective with respect to the Post Swap Extending Income Notes, the Trustee, at the direction of the Issuer (or the Reference Portfolio Manager on its behalf) and at the expense of the Issuers, shall mail a notice to all Holders of Income Notes confirming whether or not the Post Swap Maturity Extension became effective no later than three (3) Business Days following receipt of such Issuer Order. The Reference



Portfolio Manager and the Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to obtain a separate CUSIP for the Post Swap Extending Notes in accordance with Section 7.19 and the Holders shall cooperate with the Trustee and the Issuer to effect the exchange of their Income Notes for new Income Notes with such separate CUSIP. For the avoidance of doubt, notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth herein, the Post Swap Maturity Extension shall in no instance (a) affect the calculations of the amount of any payment of principal of or interest on or other amount payable in respect of any Income Note held by a Non-Participating Holder or the right of the Non-Participating Holders of the Income Notes to the benefit of any provisions for the payment of such Income Notes contained in the Indenture or (b) affect the calculations of any amounts under the Swap Agreement, including the Swap Reduction Amount, Quarterly Aggregate Increase Amounts, Quarterly Aggregate Reduction Amounts, Final Prices of the Reference Portfolio or the determination of any amounts required for the calculation thereof.

(iii) Upon confirmation of the effectiveness of a Post Swap Maturity Extension, the Maturity Date with respect to all Post Swap Extending Income Notes of Post Swap Extending Holders shall be extended without any requirement for approval or consent of non-participating Holders (any such Holder, a “Non-Participating Holder”) or amendment or supplement to this Indenture. After the Swap Termination Date, references to the Income Notes shall be deemed to refer to the Post Swap Extending Income Notes. The respective Net Income Note Periodic Return Amounts, Income Note Principal Distribution Amounts and/or Final Income Note Distribution Amounts due to the Post Swap Extending Holders on the Swap Termination Date, based on their *pro rata* share of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Income Notes shall constitute the “Post Swap Extending Share” with respect to the Post Swap Extending Holders. All Post Swap Extending Holders shall be deemed to have consented to the Issuer’s retention and application (to the extent necessary) of a portion of their Post Swap Extending Share to the Issuer’s purchase of the transferred Reference Portfolio from the Swap Counterparty pursuant to Section 3.4(d) hereto on the Swap Termination Date. Post Swap Extending Holders shall receive the remainder of their Post Swap Extending Share after the Issuer’s application of such portion of the Post Swap Extending Share necessary for its purchase of the transferred Reference Portfolio on the Swap Termination Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

(iv) The Maturity Date with respect to all Income Notes of Non-Participating Holders shall not be affected in any way by any Post Swap Maturity Extension. Non-Participating Holders shall receive their respective Net Income Note Periodic Return Amounts and Final Income Note Distribution Amounts on the Swap Termination Date based on their *pro rata* share of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Income Notes (the “Non-Participating Share”) in accordance with the Priority of Payments. After receipt of their respective Non-Participating Shares on their Maturity Date, Non-Participating Holders shall not be entitled to any further distributions under this Indenture (in accordance with its terms as if un-amended by any supplemental indentures or the Post Swap Maturity Extension).

5. Section 3.3(b) of the Indenture is hereby amended by replacing each reference to “Eligible Investment” with a corresponding reference to “Pledged Security” as follows:

(b) Each time that the Issuer shall direct or cause the acquisition of any Pledged Security, the Issuer shall, if such Pledged Security has not already been transferred to the relevant Trust Account, cause such Pledged Security to be Delivered. The security interest of the Trustee in the funds or other property utilized in connection with such acquisition shall, immediately and without further action on the part of the Trustee, thereupon be released. The security interest of the Trustee shall nevertheless come into existence and continue in such Pledged Security so acquired, including all rights of the Issuer in and to any contracts related to and proceeds of such Pledged Security.

6. Section 3.4 of the Indenture is hereby amended by:

(i) amending the heading thereof to: “The Swap Agreement; Transfer and Disposition of Reference Portfolio”.

(ii) amending Section 3.4(a) thereof by adding the following sentences at the end thereof:

In connection with the termination of the Swap Agreement on the Swap Termination Date, the Issuer (or the Reference Portfolio Manager on its behalf) will purchase any remaining assets in the Reference Portfolio held by the Swap Counterparty as of the Swap Termination Date which shall be transferred to the Issuer or an Issuer Subsidiary, as directed by the Reference Portfolio Manager, and held by the Trustee as a part of the Trust Estate in the Custodial Account. The Issuer may net any amounts to be received from the Swap Counterparty on the Swap Termination Date constituting the Post Swap Extending Share with any amounts to be applied to the acquisition of the Reference Portfolio from the Swap Counterparty pursuant to the preceding sentence and shall deposit the net of amounts into the Collateral Account for application in accordance with Section 8.6. Each Post Swap Extending Holder hereby consents to the application of its Post Swap Extending Share to the Issuer’s acquisition of the Reference Portfolio from the Swap Counterparty pursuant to the preceding sentences. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth herein, following the Swap Termination Date, no notice to, or consent of, or direction by the Swap Counterparty will be required for any action under this Indenture and all such references shall be deemed to be amended to reference notice to, or consent of, or direction by the Issuer.

(iii) adding new Section 3.4(d) at the end thereof as follows:

(d) Following the Swap Termination Date:

(i) The Reference Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Issuer) may from time to time direct the Trustee in writing to sell, and the Trustee (on behalf of the Issuer) shall sell in the manner directed by the Reference Portfolio Manager, all assets in the Reference Portfolio held by the Trustee in the Trust Estate on behalf of the Issuer pursuant to Section 3.4(a) above. Any transaction effected under this Section 3.4(d) shall be conducted on an arm’s-length basis and, if effected with a Person Affiliated with the Reference Portfolio Manager, shall be effected in accordance with the requirements of the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement on

terms no less favorable to the Issuer than would be the case if such Person were not so Affiliated, provided that the Trustee shall have no responsibility to oversee compliance with this clause (d) by the other parties.

(ii) The Issuer may, by Issuer Order or a trade confirmation or a written direction from an authorized officer of the Reference Portfolio Manager, delivered to the Trustee at least two Business Days prior to the settlement date for any sale of a security certifying that the sale of such security is being made in accordance with this Section 3.4(d), direct the Trustee to release or cause to be released such security from the lien of this Indenture and, upon receipt of such Issuer Order, trade confirmation or other direction, the Trustee shall deliver any such security, if in physical form, duly endorsed to the broker or purchaser designated in such Issuer Order, trade confirmation or other direction or, if such security is a Clearing Corporation Security, request an appropriate transfer thereof to be made, in each case against receipt of the sales price therefor as specified by the Reference Portfolio Manager in such Issuer Order, trade confirmation or other direction; *provided* that the Trustee may deliver any such security in physical form for examination in accordance with street delivery custom. Any Pledged Security or other Asset transferred to an Issuer Subsidiary to be held by such Issuer Subsidiary in exchange for the pledge of the equity interest in such Issuer Subsidiary shall be released from the lien of this Indenture.

(iii) Upon receiving actual written notice of any Offer (as defined below) or any request for a waiver, consent, amendment or other modification with respect to any Reference Obligation, the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer shall notify the Reference Portfolio Manager of any Reference Obligation that is subject to a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion or other similar action (an “Offer”) or such request. The Reference Portfolio Manager may direct (x) the Trustee to accept or participate in or decline or refuse to participate in such Offer and, in the case of acceptance or participation, to release from the lien of this Indenture such Reference Obligation in accordance with the terms of the Offer against receipt of payment therefor or (y) the Issuer or the Trustee to agree to or otherwise act with respect to such consent, waiver, amendment or modification.

(iv) The Trustee shall, upon receipt of an Issuer Order, release from the lien of this Indenture any Reference Obligation or other Collateral being transferred to an Issuer Subsidiary pursuant to Section 3.4 hereof and deliver such Collateral to be held by the Issuer Subsidiary in exchange for the equity interest in such Issuer Subsidiary. Such Issuer Order shall be executed by an Authorized Officer of the Reference Portfolio Manager, request release of a Reference Obligation or other Collateral, certify that such release is permitted under this Indenture and request that the Trustee execute the agreements, releases or other documents releasing such Collateral as presented to it by the Reference Portfolio Manager.

(v) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Indenture to the contrary, pursuant to this Section 3.4, the Issuer may cause any Collateral or the Issuer's interest therein to be transferred to a Issuer Subsidiary in exchange for an equity interest in such Issuer Subsidiary in accordance with the terms of this Section 3.4. The transfer of a Reference Obligation or other Collateral from the Issuer to an Issuer Subsidiary, and from an Issuer Subsidiary to the Issuer or another Issuer Subsidiary, shall not be considered a sale, purchase or other disposition of such Reference Obligation or other Collateral under this Indenture.

(vi) The parties hereto agree that any reports prepared by the Trustee, the Reference Portfolio Manager or Collateral Administrator with respect to the Reference Portfolio shall indicate that the related assets held by Issuer Subsidiaries are held by an Issuer Subsidiary, shall refer directly and solely to the related assets held by such Issuer Subsidiaries, and the Trustee shall not be obligated to refer to the equity interest in such Issuer Subsidiary. For purposes of calculations made under the Indenture, assets held by any Issuer Subsidiary shall be treated as Equity Securities owned by the Issuer (and the equity interest in such Issuer Subsidiary shall not be included in such calculation).

7. Section 7.4(a) of the Indenture is hereby amended by adding the following proviso to the first sentence thereof as follows:

; provided further that, after the Swap Termination Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Reference Portfolio Manager, and with notice to the Trustee may direct the dissolution of the Co-Issuer and, upon the effectiveness of such dissolution, the Co-Issuer shall cease to be a party to the Indenture and all references to Issuers shall be deemed to refer to the Issuer.

8. Section 7.4(b) of the Indenture is hereby amended by amending clause (i) of the third sentence thereof as follows:

(i) neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall have any subsidiaries (other than, with respect to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and any subsidiary that is formed for the sole purpose of holding any asset that could cause the Issuer to be engaged or deemed to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States (an “Issuer Subsidiary”)) and

9. Section 7.8(b) of the Indenture is hereby amended by adding the words “, including the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement,” after the words “the Basic Documents” and by adding the following proviso to the end of the first sentence thereof:

; provided that the Issuer may own the Reference Portfolio transferred to the Issuer in accordance with Section 3.4(a) of this Indenture and any assets received in connection with any insolvency, bankruptcy, reorganization, debt restructuring or workout of any asset included in the Reference Portfolio.

10. Section 7.12(a) of the Indenture is hereby amended by adding the words “and the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement” after the words “entering into the Collateral Administration Agreement” in clause (v) thereof and adding the words “the assets in the Reference Portfolio received from the Swap Counterparty” following the words “the acquisition and disposition of” in clause (vi) thereof.

11. Section 7.23(a) of the Indenture is hereby amended by amending clause (vii) thereof by replacing each reference to “Eligible Investments” with a corresponding reference to “Pledged Securities” as follows:

(vii) All Pledged Securities consisting of instruments, security entitlements, certificated securities and uncertificated securities owned by the Issuer and contained in the Trust Estate or the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral (other than instruments evidencing obligations

underlying participations) have been credited to one of the Trust Accounts or the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account, as applicable. The Securities Intermediary has agreed to treat all assets credited to the Trust Accounts or the Class Q-2 Securities Collateral Account as financial assets within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code.

12. Section 8.3 of the Indenture is hereby amended by:

(i) amending the heading thereof to: “Collateral Account and Custodial Account”.

(ii) amending Section 8.3(a) of the Indenture by amending the third and fourth sentences thereof and adding the following new sentences thereto as follows:

In addition, the Trustee shall deposit into the Collateral Account to the extent received from time to time (i) interest and dividends and all other amounts received in respect of Pledged Securities credited to the Collateral Account or the Custodial Account, as applicable, and (ii) amounts to be deposited in the Collateral Account pursuant to Section 3.4(b). In addition, on each Payment Date to and including the Swap Termination Date, an amount equal to the Quarterly Aggregate Increase Amount, if any, for such date, will be deposited in the Collateral Account in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Trustee shall, on or prior to the Swap Termination Date, establish a segregated non-interest bearing trust account in the name “Valhalla CLO, Ltd.–Custodial Account” (the “Custodial Account”). The Issuer shall deliver or cause to be delivered to the Securities Intermediary, all Pledged Securities received as part of the transferred Reference Portfolio pursuant to Section 3.4(d) in accordance with the definition of “Deliver.”

(iii) amending Section 8.3(b) of the Indenture as follows:

(b) On each Payment Date from the Closing Date to, but excluding, the Swap Termination Date, other than the Maturity Date, Optional Redemption Date or Tax Redemption Date, the Trustee shall transfer from the Collateral Account to the Collection Account (i) an amount equal to the investment income received on the Eligible Investments in the Collateral Account during the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period and (ii) other amounts in the Collateral Account that constitute Payment Date Proceeds for such Payment Date or that are to be disbursed in accordance with the Principal Priority of Payments on such Payment Date. On each Payment Date after the Swap Termination Date, the Trustee shall transfer from the Collateral Account to the Collection Account an amount equal to all amounts received with respect to the Pledged Securities in the Collateral Account and Custodial Account, as applicable, during the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period.

(iv) amending Section 8.3(c) of the Indenture as follows:

(c) On the Swap Termination Date, Maturity Date, Optional Redemption Date or Tax Redemption Date, the Trustee shall transfer to the Collection Account all of the moneys in the Collateral Account following sale or liquidation of Pledged Securities pursuant to clause (e).

(v) amending Section 8.3(e) of the Indenture as follows:

(e) The Trustee shall sell, liquidate or make withdrawals from Pledged Securities in the Trust Accounts to the extent necessary to make any of the payments set forth in paragraphs (b), (c) or (d) above. Any such sales or liquidation shall be made at the direction of, prior to the Swap Termination Date, the Swap Counterparty (or the direction of the Reference Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Swap Counterparty) and after the Swap Termination Date, the Issuer (or the direction of the Reference Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer); *provided* that the Swap Counterparty, (or the Reference Portfolio Manager on its behalf) shall not be entitled to give such direction if (i) a Swap Event of Default as to which the Swap Counterparty is the defaulting party has occurred and is continuing, (ii) a Swap Additional Termination Event has occurred and is continuing or (iii) the Swap Agreement has been terminated and all amounts owed to the Swap Counterparty thereunder have been paid in full, in each of which cases the Requisite Noteholders shall be entitled to give such direction.

13. Section 8.6 of the Indenture is hereby amended by:

amending the introductory language of Section 8.6(a) to add the words “from the Closing Date to and including the Swap Termination Date” as follows:

(a) On each Payment Date from the Closing Date to, and including, the Swap Termination Date, the Trustee shall distribute Payment Date Proceeds in the Collection Account in the following order of priority (the “Payment Date Priority of Payments”):

(i) amending Section 8.6(a)(xvii) as follows:

(xvii) the remainder, to the Holders of the Income Notes (the “Net Income Note Periodic Return Amount”); *provided* that the Issuer shall retain a portion of the Post Swap Extending Share due to the Post Swap Extending Holders pursuant to this clause (xvii) (together with such amounts retained pursuant to Section 8.6(b)(xix)) on the Swap Termination Date in the amount necessary, as directed by the Reference Portfolio Manager, to be applied to the Issuer’s purchase of the transferred Reference Portfolio from the Swap Counterparty pursuant to Section 3.4(a) hereof, and, after application of such amount to such purchase, shall distribute the remainder of the Post Swap Extending Share to the Post Swap Extending Holders.

amending the introductory language of Section 8.6(b) to add the words “from the Closing Date to and including the Swap Termination Date” as follows:

(b) On (A) the Maturity Date, the Optional Redemption Date or the Tax Redemption Date and (B) each other Payment Date, in each case, from the Closing Date to, and including, the Swap Termination Date on which Senior Notes are to be redeemed pursuant to Section 2.14(b) or, after all Senior Notes are redeemed, an Income Note Principal Distribution Amount is to be paid on the Income Notes, the Trustee will distribute the principal proceeds of Eligible Investments (after payment of any amounts payable therefrom pursuant to the Payment Date Priority of Payments and, in the case of clause (B), using principal proceeds in an amount not to exceed the Note Redemption Amount for such date), and in the case of the Maturity Date, the Optional Redemption Date or the Tax Redemption Date, any other amounts on deposit in the Trust Accounts to make the following payments in the following order of priority (the “Principal Priority of Payments”):

(ii) amending Section 8.6(b)(xix) as follows:

(xix) to the Holders of the Income Notes, (a) on any Payment Date (other than the Maturity Date, the Optional Redemption Date or the Tax Redemption Date), the remainder, as an Income Note Principal Distribution Amount (the “Income Note Principal Distribution Amount”) or (b) on the Maturity Date, the Optional Redemption Date or the Tax Redemption Date, the remainder (the “Final Income Note Distribution Amount”); *provided* that the Issuer shall retain a portion of the Post Swap Extending Share due to the Post Swap Extending Holders pursuant to this clause (xix) (together with such amounts retained pursuant to Section 8.6(a)(xvii)) on the Swap Termination Date in the amount necessary, as directed by the Reference Portfolio Manager, to be applied to the Issuer’s purchase of the transferred Reference Portfolio from the Swap Counterparty pursuant to Section 3.4(a) hereof, and, after application of such amount to such purchase, shall distribute the remainder of the Post Swap Extending Share to the Post Swap Extending Holders.

(iii) adding the following new paragraph (e) to Section 8.6 at the end thereof:

(e) After the Swap Termination Date, on each Payment Date and Optional Redemption Date with respect to the Post Swap Extending Income Notes held by Post Swap Extending Holders, the Trustee shall distribute amounts in the Collection Account in the following order of priority (the “Post Swap Priority of Payments”):

(i) to the payment of any accrued and unpaid Administrative Expenses (in the order set forth in the definition thereof);

(ii) to the payment of the Base Amount, the Subordinate Amount and any Incentive Amount due to the Reference Portfolio Manager; and

(iii) the remainder, to the Post Swap Extending Holders of the Post Swap Extending Income Notes.

14. Section 8.7 of the Indenture is hereby amended by

(i) amending the second sentence thereof as follows:

Each Monthly Report shall contain the following information with respect to the calendar month in which the Monthly Report Determination Date falls (provided that after the Swap Termination Date, each Monthly Report shall contain only the information in (a)(i), (a)(iv), (b), (d), (g) and (k)):

(ii) and adding new clause (k) as follows:

(k) Information regarding the Reference Portfolio held by the Issuer after the Swap Termination Date (as of the Monthly Report Determination Date):

Information regarding the asset in the Reference Portfolio: (A) the identity of each asset in the Reference Portfolio and the obligor thereon; (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance and Market Value thereof and (C) the identity of each asset in the Reference Portfolio sold, prepaid or redeemed since the prior Monthly Report Determination Date.

15. Section 8.8 of the Indenture is hereby amended:

(i) by amending Section 8.8(a) thereof by:

adding the words “for each Payment Date to and including the Swap Termination Date,” at the beginning of clauses (i), (ii), (iv), (vi) and (vii) and the second clause (viii) thereof; and

(ii) amending the first clause (viii) thereof as follows:

(viii) the distributions, if any, in respect of the Income Notes for such Payment Date and for the preceding Payment Date; *provided* that on the Swap Termination Date, the Payment Date Valuation Report shall show the respective amounts of the Post Swap Extending Share to be retained by the Issuer (as determined by the Reference Portfolio Manager) and distributed to Post Swap Extending Holders;

(iii) by amending Section 8.8(b) thereof as follow:

(b) Application of amounts in the Collection Account in accordance with, for each Payment Date to and including the Swap Termination Date, the Payment Date Priority of Payments and for each Payment Date after the Swap Termination Date, the Post Swap Priority of Payments: the amount of funds available in the Collection Account as of the first day of the preceding Collection Period and the balance therein remaining on the last day of such preceding Collection Period.

(iv) by amending Section 8.8(c) thereof by adding the words “For each Payment Date to and including the Swap Termination Date,” at the beginning thereof;

(v) by amending Section 8.8(e) thereof by adding the words “For each Payment Date to and including the Swap Termination Date,” at the beginning thereof;

(vi) by amending Section 8.8(f) thereof by adding the words “For each Payment Date to and including the Swap Termination Date,” at the beginning thereof

(vii) by amending the penultimate paragraph of Section 8.8 as follows:

(A) by adding the words “, prior to and including the Swap Termination Date,” before the words “on behalf of the Swap Counterparty” in the second sentence thereof and adding the words “, and after the Swap Termination Date, on behalf of the Issuer,” immediately after the same words; and

(B) by adding the following sentence at the end thereof:

Following the Swap Termination Date, each Payment Date Valuation Report shall constitute instructions to the Trustee to withdraw funds from the Collection Account and pay or transfer such amounts set forth in such Payment Date Valuation Report in the manner specified and in accordance with the priorities established in Section 8.6.

16. Section 9.2(a) is hereby amended by



(i) amending the second sentence thereof to add the words “from the Closing Date to and including the Swap Termination Date” to the introductory phrase thereof as follows:

However, from the Closing Date to and including the Swap Termination Date, without the consent of the Swap Counterparty if adversely affected thereby and the Holders of each Outstanding Security adversely affected thereby and without Rating Confirmation for such supplemental indenture or a waiver of such Rating Confirmation by the Holders whose consent is required for such supplemental indenture, no supplemental indenture may:

(ii) amending the second sentence thereof to add the following proviso to the end thereof after clause (vii):

; *provided* that, after the Swap Termination Date, the Issuers and the Trustee may enter into an indenture or indentures supplemental hereto for the purpose of adding any provisions to, or changing in any manner or eliminating any of the provisions of, this Indenture or of modifying in any manner the rights of the Holders of the Notes under this Indenture with the consent of the Holders of a majority of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Post Swap Extending Income Notes.

17. Section 10.5 of the Indenture is hereby amended by adding the following new clause (e) at the end thereof:

(e) On the Swap Termination Date and upon termination of the original Reference Portfolio Management Agreement in accordance with its terms, the Issuer shall enter into a replacement Reference Portfolio Management Agreement with respect to the Trust Estate, including the Reference Portfolio assigned to the Issuer in accordance with Section 3.4(a) of this Indenture. The Post Swap Extending Holders hereby consent to the Issuer’s entry into such replacement Reference Portfolio Management Agreement.

18. Schedule A to the Indenture is hereby amended by:

(i) amending the definition of “Administrative Expenses” by

(A) amending clause (i) thereof as follows:

(i) any Person including any Issuer Subsidiary in respect of any governmental fee, charge or tax (including all filing, registration and annual return fees payable to the Cayman Islands’ government and registered office fees);

(B) amending clause (iv) thereof as follows:

(iv) the Administrator as provided in the Administration Agreement and for any administration fees payable in respect of any Issuer Subsidiary;

(C) amending clause (E) thereof as follows:

(E) expenses and other amounts for which the Swap Counterparty is obligated to reimburse or pay the Reference Portfolio Manager under the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement and, after the Swap Termination Date, the fees, expenses (including indemnities) and

other amounts due or accrued with respect to any Payment Date and payable to the Reference Portfolio Manager under the Indenture and the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement, including without limitation reasonable expenses of the Reference Portfolio Manager (including fees for its accountants, agents and counsel) incurred in connection with the purchase or sale of any Reference Obligations (including amounts owed to an independent review party), any other expenses incurred in connection with the Reference Portfolio and amounts payable pursuant to the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement;

(ii) amending the definition of “Aggregate Principal Amount” by adding the following proviso to the end thereof:

; *provided* that, after the Swap Termination Date, the references to the “Aggregate Principal Amount” of the Income Notes shall refer to the original principal amount of the Post Swap Extending Income Notes and exclude the original principal amount of Income Notes maturing on August 1, 2016.

(iii) adding the following definition of “Aggregate Principal Balance” in the appropriate alphabetical order:

“Aggregate Principal Balance”: Prior to and on the Swap Termination Date, the meaning specified in the Swap Agreement and after the Swap Termination Date, for each asset in the Reference Portfolio, the outstanding principal amount thereof.

(iv) amending the definition of “Base Amount” as follows:

“Base Amount”: Prior to and on the Swap Termination Date, the meaning specified in the Swap Agreement and after the Swap Termination Date, a fee payable to the Reference Portfolio Manager in arrears on each Payment Date (prorated for the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period) pursuant to the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement and Section 8.6 in an amount equal to 0.30% per annum (calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) of the Fee Basis Amount as of the related Determination Date. To the extent any of the Base Amount is deferred on any Payment Date, such payment will accrue interest at LIBOR plus 3.0% per annum (as determined for the applicable Periodic Interest Accrual Period with respect to the Notes). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Reference Portfolio Manager will be entitled to elect, on written notice to the Trustee delivered prior to the related Determination Date, that all or a portion of the Base Amount for any Payment Date shall be deferred.

(v) amending the definition of “Basic Documents” as follows:

“Basic Documents”: The Indenture, the Swap Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement and the Investment Agreement.

(vi) amending the definition of “Collection Period” as follows:

“Collection Period”: Prior to and on the Swap Termination Date, the meaning specified in the Swap Agreement, and after the Swap Termination Date, with respect to any

Payment Date, the period from but excluding the Determination Date related to the prior Payment Date to and including the Determination Date related to such Payment Date; *provided* that the final Collection Period shall end on and include the Business Day immediately prior to the Maturity Date or Redemption Date, as applicable.

(vii) adding the following definition of “Custodial Account” in the appropriate alphabetical order:

“Custodial Account”: The account created and designated as the “Valhalla CLO, Ltd. – Custodial Account” under Section 8.3.

(viii) amending the definition of “Equity Security” as follows:

“Equity Security”: Prior to and on the Swap Termination Date, the meaning specified in the Swap Agreement and, after the Swap Termination Date, each Equity Security under the Swap Agreement transferred to the Issuer from the Swap Counterparty in connection with the termination of the Swap Agreement and any other security that is not an Eligible Investment and by its terms does not provide for periodic payments of interest at a stated coupon rate and repayment of principal in one or more installments.

(ix) amending the introductory phrase to the definition of “Expense Cap Amount” as follows:

“Expense Cap Amount”: With respect to any Payment Date from the Closing Date to and including the Swap Termination Date, an amount not to exceed:

(x) adding the definition of “Fee Basis Amount” in the appropriate alphabetical order:

“Fee Basis Amount”: As of any date of determination, the sum of (a) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Pledged Securities (including all Pledged Securities held by Issuer Subsidiaries) and (b) without duplication, the amounts on deposit in the Trust Accounts (including Eligible Investments in such Accounts).

(xi) amending the definition of “Incentive Amount” as follows:

“Incentive Amount”: Prior to and on the Swap Termination Date, the meaning specified in the Swap Agreement and after the Swap Termination Date, (i) 0.125% *per annum* of the Fee Basis Amount as of the related Determination Date (calculated for the related Collection Period on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) plus (ii) the aggregate Deferred Incentive Amount, if any, not paid on any previous Payment Date; provided that such amount will be deferred (a “Deferred Incentive Amount”) on any Payment Date to the extent that (a) amounts paid to the Holders of the Income Notes on or prior to such date result in an internal rate of return of less than 15% per annum or (b) the available amounts for such date would be insufficient to permit the Issuer to pay all amounts payable on that Payment Date pursuant to clause (i) of the Post Swap Priority of Payments.

(xii) Amending the definition of “Issuer Order” as follows”

“Issuer Order”: A written order signed in the name of the Issuer by any one of its Authorized Officers or by the Reference Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer and delivered to the Trustee.

(xiii) amending the definition of “Market Value” as follows:

“Market Value”: Prior to and on the Swap Termination Date, the meaning specified in the Swap Agreement and after the Swap Termination Date, with respect to a Reference Obligation and any date of determination, the price thereof (expressed as a percentage) based on the relevant price quotation for such Reference Obligation quoted on Loan Pricing Corporation, LoanX, Inc. or a similar pricing service designated by the Reference Portfolio Manager as of such date or, if no such quotation is available on such date, the unweighted average of two or more bid quotations for such Reference Obligation obtained on such date from dealers (which shall not be Affiliates of each other) in the relevant market selected by the Reference Portfolio Manager, or if two or more such quotations are not available on such date, the Reference Portfolio Manager shall attempt to obtain the price quotation for such Reference Obligation on another recognized pricing source or service for the relevant market selected by the Reference Portfolio Manager. If the Reference Portfolio Manager is unable to determine the Market Value with respect to a Reference Obligation pursuant to the preceding sentence, the Market Value of such Reference Obligation shall be deemed to be zero for that date of determination.

(xiv) amending the definition of “Maturity Date” as follows:

“Maturity Date”: August 1, 2016, or, in the case of a Maturity Extension pursuant to Section 2.15, August 1, 2020, or, in the case of the Post Swap Extending Income Notes in the event of a Post Swap Maturity Extension pursuant to Section 2.15(h), such maturity as extended by any Post Swap Maturity Extension.

(xv) amending the definition of “Payment Date” as follows:

“Payment Date”: With respect to a Class of Notes, the 1st day of each February, May, August and November commencing on and including February 1, 2005 (or if any such day is not a Business Day, the first Business Day thereafter), and ending on and including the earlier of the final redemption date for such Class and the Maturity Date; provided that, in the case of the Post Swap Extending Income Notes in the event of a Post Swap Maturity Extension pursuant to Section 2.15(h), the Payment Dates shall end upon the Optional Redemption Date of such Notes.

(xvi) amending the definition of “Pledged Securities” as follows:

“Pledged Securities”: As of any date prior to and on the Swap Termination Date, the Eligible Investments credited to any of the Trust Accounts and, as of any date after the Swap Termination Date, the Reference Obligations, Equity Securities and the Eligible Investments credited to any of the Trust Accounts.

(xvii) amending the definition of “Rating Agency” as follows:

“Rating Agency”: Prior to the Swap Termination Date, either of Moody’s or Standard & Poor’s; “Rating Agencies” shall mean Moody’s and Standard & Poor’s, collectively and notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth herein, following the Swap Termination Date, no notice to, or consent of, or direction by the Rating Agencies will be required for any action under this Indenture.

(xviii) amending the definition of “Rating Agency Confirmation” as follows:

“Rating Confirmation”: With respect to any specified action prior to the Swap Termination Date, the written confirmation by both Rating Agencies, or if expressly stated, by a specified Rating Agency, that such Rating Agency will not qualify, downgrade or withdraw its then-current respective rating of any Class of Senior Notes or the Class Q-1 Securities solely as a result of such action and, notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Indenture, following the Swap Termination Date, no Rating Confirmation will be required for any action under this Indenture.

(xix) amending the definition of “Reference Obligation” as follows:

“Reference Obligation”: Prior to and on the Swap Termination Date, the meaning specified in the Swap Agreement and, after the Swap Termination Date, each Reference Obligation under the Swap Agreement transferred to the Issuer from the Swap Counterparty in connection with the termination of the Swap Agreement.

(xx) amending the definition of “Reference Portfolio” as follows:

“Reference Portfolio”: Prior to and on the Swap Termination Date, the meaning specified in the Swap Agreement and, after the Swap Termination Date, the portfolio of assets under the Swap Agreement transferred to the Issuer from the Swap Counterparty in connection with the termination of the Swap Agreement and any assets received in connection with any insolvency, bankruptcy, reorganization, debt restructuring or workout of any asset included in the Reference Portfolio.

(xxi) amending the definition of “Reference Portfolio Management Agreement” as follows:

“Reference Portfolio Management Agreement”: Prior to and on the Swap Termination Date, the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Swap Counterparty and the Reference Portfolio Manager and, after the Swap Termination Date, the Portfolio Management Agreement, dated as of August 1, 2016, between the Issuer and the Reference Portfolio Manager.

(xxii) amending the definition of “Subordinate Amount” as follows:

“Subordinate Amount”: Prior to and on the Swap Termination Date, the meaning specified in the Swap Agreement and after the Swap Termination Date, a fee payable to the Reference Portfolio Manager in arrears on each Payment Date (prorated for the related Periodic Interest Accrual Period) pursuant to the Reference Portfolio Management Agreement and Section 8.6 in an amount equal to 0.20% per annum (calculated on the basis of a 360-day year

consisting of twelve 30-day months) of the Fee Basis Amount as of the related Determination Date. To the extent any of the Subordinate Amount is deferred on any Payment Date, such payment will be and will accrue interest at LIBOR plus 3.0% per annum (as determined for the applicable Periodic Interest Accrual Period with respect to the Notes). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Reference Portfolio Manager will be entitled to elect, on written notice to the Trustee delivered prior to the related Determination Date, that all or a portion of the Subordinate Amount for any Payment Date shall be deferred.

(xxiii) amending the definition of “Trust Account” as follows:

“Trust Account”: The Collection Account, the Expense Reserve Account, the Collateral Account and the Custodial Account, collectively.

**B. MISCELLANEOUS.**

1. The Indenture, as amended by this Supplemental Indenture, is hereby ratified and confirmed and except as expressly modified or amended in this Supplemental Indenture, all of the terms, covenants, provisions, agreements and conditions of the Indenture shall remain unmodified and unchanged and shall continue in full force and effect. This Supplemental Indenture shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns.

2. The Co-Issuers, the Reference Portfolio Manager and the Swap Counterparty hereby agree that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Supplemental Indenture, in no instance shall the amendments contemplated by this Supplemental Indenture (a) affect the calculations of the amount of any payment of principal of or interest on or other amount payable in respect of any Income Note held by a Non-Participating Holder or the right of the Non-Participating Holders of the Income Notes to the benefit of any provisions for the payment of such Income Notes contained in the Indenture or (b) affect the calculations of any amounts under the Swap Agreement, including the Swap Reduction Amount, Quarterly Aggregate Increase Amounts, Quarterly Aggregate Reduction Amounts, Final Prices of the Reference Portfolio or the determination of any amounts required for the calculation thereof.

3. This Supplemental Indenture may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which so executed shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

4. The Trustee assumes no responsibility for the correctness of the recitals contained herein, which shall be taken as the statements of the Co-Issuers and the Trustee shall not be responsible or accountable in any way whatsoever for or with respect to the validity, execution or sufficiency of this Supplemental Indenture and makes no representation with respect thereto. In entering into this Supplemental Indenture, the Trustee shall be entitled to the benefit of every provision of the Indenture relating to the conduct of or affecting the liability of or affording protection to the Trustee.

5. The Issuer represents and warrants to the Trustee that this Supplemental Indenture has been duly and validly executed and delivered by the Issuer and constitutes its legal, valid and binding obligation, enforceable against the Issuer in accordance with its terms.

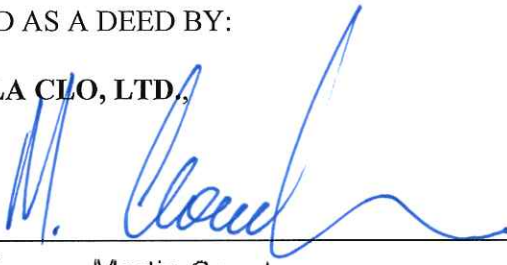
6. This Supplemental Indenture shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the law of the State of New York.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have set our hands as of the date first set forth above.

EXECUTED AS A DEED BY:

**VALHALLA CLO, LTD.,**  
as Issuer

By:   
Name: Martin Couch  
Title: Director

In the Presence of:

Witness:   
Name: Christopher Bryan

**VALHALLA CLO, INC.,**  
as Co-Issuer

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

**THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST  
COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,**  
as Trustee

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



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**VALHALLA CLO, LTD.,**  
as Issuer

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

In the Presence of:

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

**VALHALLA CLO, INC.,**  
as Co-Issuer

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Donald J. Pugliese  
Title: President

**THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST  
COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,**  
as Trustee

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

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**VALHALLA CLO, LTD.,**  
as Issuer

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

In the Presence of:

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

**VALHALLA CLO, INC.,**  
as Co-Issuer

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

**THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST  
COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,**  
as Trustee

By:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: **MICHAEL CALIGIURI**  
Title: **VICE PRESIDENT**

CONSENTED TO BY:

**HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,**

as Reference Portfolio Manager

By: Strand Advisors, Inc., its general partner

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

Name: James Dondero

Title: President

CONSENTED TO BY:

**CITIGROUP FINANCIAL PRODUCTS INC.,**  
as Swap Counterparty

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

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Mitall Sohoni

Name:

Title:

## **EXHIBIT QQQ**

**EXECUTION VERSION**

**REFERENCE PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT**

This REFERENCE PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT, dated as of August 1, 2016 (this “Agreement”), is entered into by and between Highland Capital Management, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership (“Highland” and, in its capacity as reference portfolio manager hereunder, the “Reference Portfolio Manager”) and Valhalla CLO, Ltd. (the “Issuer”).

WHEREAS, the Issuer and Citigroup Financial Products Inc. (“CFPI”) entered into a portfolio swap transaction documented pursuant to the ISDA Master Agreement and Confirmation thereunder, each dated as of August 18, 2004 (as amended, modified or supplemented from time to time, the “Swap Agreement”) in connection with which CFPI and the Reference Portfolio Manager entered into a reference portfolio management agreement, dated as of August 18, 2004, (the “Initial Management Agreement”);

WHEREAS, the Issuer wishes to enter into this Agreement, pursuant to which the Reference Portfolio Manager agrees to perform, on behalf of the Issuer, certain services with respect to the Reference Portfolio acquired by the Issuer in connection with the termination of the Swap Agreement on the terms set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the Reference Portfolio Manager has the capacity to provide the services required hereby and is prepared to perform such services upon the terms and conditions set forth herein;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements set forth herein, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Defined Terms.

Capitalized terms used herein that are not otherwise defined herein shall have the respective meanings ascribed thereto in the indenture, dated as of August 18, 2004 (as amended, the “Indenture”), among the Issuer, Valhalla CLO, Inc. (the “Co-Issuer”) and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association as successor to JPMorgan Chase Bank (the “Trustee”).

2. General Duties of the Reference Portfolio Manager.

(a) The Reference Portfolio Manager shall provide the Issuer with the following services in a manner consistent with the provisions of the Indenture, and in each case subject to the terms and conditions thereof and hereof (and the Reference Portfolio Manager shall have no obligation to perform any other duties other than as specified herein or under the Indenture):

(i) selecting Reference Obligations to be removed from the Reference Portfolio, in whole or in part;

(ii) with respect to each Reference Obligation that is to be added to the Reference Portfolio, (A) designating the Reference Obligation Calculation Amount and Reference Entity with respect thereto and (B) determining the Reference Price for such Reference Obligation;

(iii) with respect to each Reference Obligation with respect to which an Amortization has occurred, calculating the related Obligation Value Reduction Amount or Obligation Value Increase Amount.

(iv) with respect to each Reference Obligation that is to be removed from the Reference Portfolio or is included in the Reference Portfolio as of the 45th Business Day prior to the Swap Termination Date, calculating the Final Price and the related Obligation Value Reduction Amount or Obligation Value Increase Amount for such obligation;

(v) determining (and if so required, certifying in writing) whether a specific Reference Obligation is a Deferring PIK Obligation, Equity Security, Credit Improved Obligation, Credit Risk Obligation, Current Pay Obligation or Defaulted Reference Obligation;

(vi) selecting Dealers for the purposes of obtaining Quotations with respect to Reference Obligations;

(vii) [reserved];

(viii) on behalf of the Issuer, directing the Trustee as to specific Eligible Investments to be purchased or sold by the Issuer as part of the Trust Estate under the Indenture, if any, other than the initial Eligible Investments and other amounts invested in the Investment Agreement pursuant to the terms thereof and the Indenture;

(ix) (a) monitoring the Reference Portfolio on an ongoing basis and providing or causing to be provided, on behalf of the Issuer, to the Collateral Administrator and/or the Independent Accountants all information, determinations, schedules and other data in possession of, or reasonably available to, the Reference Portfolio Manager and required or requested by the Collateral Administrator to generate (or provide information for) the reports described in Sections 8.7, 8.8, and 8.9 of the Indenture or the Independent Accountants to generate the statement described in Section 8.9(b) of the Indenture, substantially in the form and containing all information required thereby and in sufficient time for the Collateral Administrator and/or the Independent Accountants, as applicable, to review such information, schedules and data, generate such reports and to deliver them to the parties entitled thereto under the Indenture and (b) upon receipt from the Collateral Administrator of any such draft report, reviewing such report, verifying the information contained therein with the information contained in its records with respect to the Reference Portfolio, promptly (but in no event later than two Business Days after receipt of such report) notifying the Collateral Administrator of any discrepancies and cooperating with the Collateral Administrator and the Issuer in resolving any such discrepancies;

(x) providing or causing to be provided, on behalf of the Issuer, to the Trustee all information in the possession of or reasonably available to, the Reference Portfolio

Manager relating to the Reference Portfolio and required or requested by the Trustee to provide to the Holders of Income Notes information necessary for the filing of tax returns required by any governmental authority;

(xi) complying with such other duties and responsibilities as may be required of the Reference Portfolio Manager as set forth in the Indenture, including providing such information to such persons as may be required by the Indenture; and

(xii) providing to the Issuer such information regarding the Reference Portfolio and the Reference Portfolio Manager's activities under this Agreement as the Issuer may request from time to time.

(b) In performing its services hereunder, the Reference Portfolio Manager shall comply with all the terms and conditions of the Indenture affecting the duties and functions that have been delegated to the Reference Portfolio Manager thereunder and hereunder.

(c) Unless otherwise specifically required by any provision of the Indenture or by applicable law, the Reference Portfolio Manager shall use all reasonable efforts to ensure that no action is taken or omitted to be taken by it, and shall not intentionally or with reckless disregard take or omit to take any action, which would (i) in the reasonable determination of the Issuer, materially adversely affect the Issuer (or the Issuer's ability to make payments on the Income Notes), for purposes of Cayman Islands law, United States federal or state law or any other law known to the Reference Portfolio Manager (or advised by the Issuer) to be applicable to the Issuer, as applicable; (ii) violate any law, rule, or regulation of any governmental body or agency having jurisdiction over the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, including, without limitation any Cayman Islands or United States federal, state or other applicable securities law the violation of which, in the reasonable determination of the Issuer, has or could reasonably be expected to have a material adverse affect on the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Reference Portfolio, (iii) require registration of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or the pool as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act, (iv) result in the Issuer or Co-Issuer violating any terms of the Indenture or would reasonably be expected to result in an Event of Default under the Indenture, or (v) be reasonably likely to cause the Issuer to be engaged in a United States trade or business for United States federal tax purposes.

(d) [reserved].

(e) The Issuer agrees that it will not consent to any amendment to the Indenture that in the reasonable determination of the Reference Portfolio Manager (as notified to the Issuer) adversely affects the rights or duties of the Reference Portfolio Manager or creates, supplements, modifies, limits or eliminates any provision of the Indenture affecting the discretion, judgment, conduct, care or role of the Reference Portfolio Manager (including without limitation, the provisions relating to calculations with respect to the Reference Portfolio) or the Reference Portfolio Manager's obligations or liabilities or fees or expenses payable or reimbursable to it, or that otherwise adversely affects the Reference Portfolio Manager unless the Reference Portfolio Manager has been given prior written notice of such amendment and has consented thereto in writing.



### 3. Standard of Care.

(a) The Reference Portfolio Manager shall perform its obligations hereunder and under the Indenture in good faith and with reasonable care, using a degree of skill and attention no less than that which the Reference Portfolio Manager exercises with respect to comparable assets or reference assets that it manages for itself and others with similar investment objectives and restrictions in a manner consistent with practices and procedures followed by institutional managers of national standing relating to comparable assets or reference assets. To the extent not inconsistent with the foregoing, the Reference Portfolio Manager shall follow its customary standards, policies and procedures in performing its duties hereunder and under the Indenture.

(b) The Reference Portfolio Manager agrees, in performing its duties hereunder, that it shall use reasonable efforts to manage the Reference Portfolio with the objective to provide for returns to the Holders of the Income Notes; provided, that the Reference Portfolio Manager shall not be responsible if such objectives are not achieved so long as the Reference Portfolio Manager performs its duties under this Agreement as provided herein; and, provided, further that Holders of Income Notes shall have no recourse to the Reference Portfolio Manager with respect to payment under the Income Notes. Furthermore, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement or the Indenture, the Reference Portfolio Manager shall not be required to take any action if such action would violate any applicable law, rule, regulation or court order. The Reference Portfolio Manager shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations relating to its performance under this Agreement.

### 4. Compensation; Fees and Expenses.

(a) As compensation for services rendered and the performance of its obligations as Reference Portfolio Manager under this Agreement, the Issuer will pay to the Reference Portfolio Manager on each Payment Date the Base Amount, the Subordinate Amount, if any, and the Incentive Amount, if any, for such date (collectively, the “Management Fees”) as described in the Indenture and subject to the Priority of Payments set forth therein.

(b) The Reference Portfolio Manager shall be responsible for its ordinary expenses incurred in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement; provided, however, that the Issuer shall reimburse the Reference Portfolio Manager for the following extraordinary expenses incurred by the Reference Portfolio Manager in the performance of such obligations: (i) reasonable fees and expenses of outside counsel, consultants, accountants and other professionals retained by the Reference Portfolio Manager in connection with negotiating this Agreement or as to unusual matters arising in the performance of its duties under this Agreement; (ii) fees and expenses of Rating Agencies incurred by the Reference Portfolio Manager, if any; and (iii) any fees payable by the Reference Portfolio Manager in connection with fees payable to the Pricing Source or any other nationally recognized pricing service for services rendered with respect to Reference Obligations. If any expenses or costs described in this paragraph (b) are allocable to one or more entities or accounts in addition to the Issuer for which the Reference Portfolio Manager provides advisory or management services, the Issuer shall be responsible (subject to the other provisions hereof) only for the portions of those expenses and costs fairly allocable to the Issuer in the Reference Portfolio Manager’s good faith and commercially reasonable discretion.

5. Additional Activities of the Reference Portfolio Manager.

(a) The Reference Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates may invest, and may manage other funds and accounts (“Other Highland Accounts”) that invest, in assets eligible for inclusion in the Reference Portfolio. The Reference Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates may make investment decisions for themselves or Other Highland Accounts that are different from decisions to add or remove Reference Obligations under the Indenture and in making such investments have no duty to take into account the interests of the Issuer or any holder of Income Notes. No provision in this Agreement shall prevent the Reference Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates from rendering services of any kind to a Reference Entity (or an issuer of any Eligible Investment included in the Trust Estate) or CFPI, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Holders of Income Notes or any other Person or entity to the extent permitted by law. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, the Reference Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates and their respective directors, officers, employees, agents and representatives may, among other things:

(i) serve as portfolio manager, advisor or subadvisor or directors (whether supervisory or managing), partners, officers, employees, agents, nominees or signatories for any Reference Entity (or other issuers who invest in assets of a similar nature to the Reference Obligation) to the extent permitted by its governing instruments; provided that in the reasonable judgment of the Reference Portfolio Manager such activity is not likely to have a material adverse effect on any Reference Obligation or the Reference Portfolio as a whole;

(ii) receive fees for services of any nature rendered to any Reference Entity or any Affiliates thereof or any such issuer, except as otherwise provided by the Indenture or as would otherwise cause an Indenture Tax Event to occur under the Indenture and provided that in the reasonable judgment of the Reference Portfolio Manager such activity is not likely to have a material adverse effect on any Reference Obligation or the Reference Portfolio as a whole;

(iii) be a secured or unsecured creditor of, or hold an equity interest in, any Reference Entity or any such issuer, subject to applicable law and the terms of the relevant instrument;

(iv) make a market in any Reference Obligations;

(v) serve as a member of any “creditors’ committee” with respect to any Reference Obligation which has or which may, in the reasonable opinion of the Reference Portfolio Manager, become a Defaulted Reference Obligation;

(vi) enter into swap agreements with swap counterparties relating to reference entities that may be the same as actual or potential Reference Entities;

(vii) be retained to provide services for the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee or the Collateral Administrator that are unrelated to this Agreement, and be paid therefor; provided that in the reasonable judgment of the Reference Portfolio Manager such activity is not likely to have a material adverse effect on any Reference Obligation or the Reference Portfolio as a whole;

(b) Subject to the requirements of the Indenture, the Reference Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates, employees and associates are in no way prohibited from other businesses or activities, including, but not limited to, managing investments, advising or managing entities whose investment objectives are the same as or overlap with those of the Reference Portfolio, participating in the issuance or management of actual or potential Reference Obligations, providing consulting, merger and acquisition, structuring or financial advisory services, including with respect to actual, contemplated or potential Reference Obligations, or acting as a director, officer or creditors' committee member of, adviser to, or participant in any corporation, partnership, trust or other business entity. The Reference Portfolio Manager and its Affiliates and associates may, and expect to, receive fees or other compensation from third parties for any of these activities, which fees will be for the benefit of their own account and not the Issuer. These fees can relate to actual, contemplated or potential Reference Obligations and may be payable by actual or potential Reference Entities.

(c) To the extent permitted by applicable law, and without limiting the Reference Obligation Eligibility Criteria and Reference Portfolio Criteria set forth in the Indenture, the Reference Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates, and any officer, director, stockholder or employee of the Reference Portfolio Manager or any such Affiliates or any member of their families or an individual or entity advised by the Reference Portfolio Manager may have an interest in a particular transaction or in securities or obligations of the same kind or class, or securities or obligations of a different kind or class, as those of the Reference Obligations.

(d) Unless the Reference Portfolio Manager determines in its reasonable judgment that a transaction is on terms and conditions no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other, the Reference Portfolio Manager shall be required to refrain from removing Reference Obligations issued by (i) persons of which the Reference Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates or any of its or their officers, directors or employees are directors or officers, (ii) persons for which the Reference Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates act as financial adviser or underwriter or (iii) persons with whom the Reference Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates otherwise maintain a client relationship. The Reference Portfolio Manager may, in its sole discretion, refrain from adding or removing a Reference Obligation issued by any of the persons described in (i), (ii) or (iii) of the preceding sentence or persons about which the Reference Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates have information that the Reference Portfolio Manager deems confidential or non-public or that otherwise might prohibit it from trading (or referencing) such obligations in accordance with applicable law. The Reference Portfolio Manager will not be obligated to utilize any particular investment opportunity or strategy that may arise with respect to the Reference Obligations.

(e) The investment policies, fee arrangements and other circumstances of the Reference Portfolio Manager's engagement under the Indenture may vary from those of Other Highland Accounts. The Reference Portfolio Manager may at certain times be simultaneously adding or removing a Reference Obligation or Reference Obligations to or from, as applicable, the Reference Portfolio and arranging for Other Highland Accounts or its Affiliates, to purchase or sell the same Reference Obligation or Reference Obligations or to add or remove the same Reference Obligation or Reference Obligations to or from, as applicable, the reference portfolio under comparable swap agreements or other cash portfolios. In doing so, the Reference Portfolio Manager shall be free, in its sole discretion, to make recommendations to others, or effect

transactions on behalf of itself or for others, that may be the same as or different from those effected on behalf of the Issuer.

(f) Neither the Reference Portfolio Manager nor any of its Affiliates is under any obligation (affirmative or otherwise) to offer investment opportunities of which it becomes aware to the Issuer or to account to the Issuer for (or share with the Issuer or inform the Issuer of) any such opportunity or any benefit received by it from any such opportunity before offering any investments to Other Highland Accounts or before engaging in any investments for themselves. The Reference Portfolio Manager shall endeavor to resolve conflicts with respect to investment opportunities in a manner which it deems equitable to the extent possible under the prevailing facts and circumstances.

6. Term. This Agreement shall become effective on the date hereof and shall terminate upon the termination of the Indenture unless terminated as provided in Section 7. If this Agreement terminates pursuant to this Section 6, such termination shall be without further liability or obligation of either party to the other, except as provided in Sections 8, 9, 10, 11 (b) and (c), 16 and 26 hereof.

7. Termination; Removal; Resignation.

(a) The Issuer shall be entitled to (but shall not be obligated to) remove the Reference Portfolio Manager without cause at any time upon 90 days' prior written notice to the Reference Portfolio Manager upon the vote of at least  $66\frac{2}{3}\%$  of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Income Notes (in each case excluding any Income Notes beneficially owned by the Reference Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates or by an account or fund for which the Reference Portfolio Manager or its Affiliate acts as investment manager with discretionary authority) in accordance with the Indenture.

(b) The Issuer shall be entitled to (but shall not be obligated to) remove the Reference Portfolio Manager for cause at any time upon written notice to the Reference Portfolio Manager. The Reference Portfolio Manager acknowledges that the Issuer may request such removal upon the vote of at least  $66\frac{2}{3}\%$  of the Aggregate Principal Amount of the Income Notes (in each case excluding any Income Notes beneficially owned by the Reference Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates or by an account or fund for which the Reference Portfolio Manager or its Affiliate acts as investment manager with discretionary authority) in accordance with the Indenture, in which case the Issuer may, but shall not be obligated, to so remove the Reference Portfolio Manager.

For purposes of this Agreement, "cause" will mean (i) willful violation by the Reference Portfolio Manager of, or the taking of any action by the Reference Portfolio Manager that it knows breaches, any provision of this Agreement or the Indenture; (ii) breach or violation by the Reference Portfolio Manager of any provision of this Agreement or the Indenture and failure to cure such breach or violation within 30 days after becoming aware of, or its receiving notice from the Issuer of such breach or violation; (iii) the Reference Portfolio Manager (A) is wound up or dissolved or there is appointed over it or a substantial portion of its assets a receiver, administrator, administrative receiver, trustee or similar officer, (B) ceases to be able to, or admits in writing its inability to, pay its debts as they become due and payable, or makes a general assignment for the

benefit of or enters into any composition or arrangement with, its creditors generally, (C) applies for or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, assignee, custodian, liquidator or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Reference Portfolio Manager or of all or of any substantial part of its properties or assets, or authorizes such an application or consent, or proceedings seeking such appointment are commenced without such authorization, consent or application against the Reference Portfolio Manager and continue undismissed for 60 days, (D) authorizes or files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, or applies for or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the application of any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, readjustment of debt, insolvency or dissolution, or authorizes such application or consent, or proceedings to such end are instituted against the Reference Portfolio Manager without such authorization, application or consent and are approved as properly instituted and remain undismissed for 60 days or result in adjudication of bankruptcy or insolvency or (E) permits or suffers all or any substantial part of its properties or assets to be sequestered or attached by court order and the order remains undismissed for 60 days; (iv) the occurrence of an act that constitutes fraud or criminal activity by the Reference Portfolio Manager or any director, officer or employee thereof in connection with the performance of the Reference Portfolio Manager's obligations under this Agreement; (v) the indictment of the Reference Portfolio Manager or any director, officer or employee thereof whose duties include work in fulfillment of the Reference Portfolio Manager's obligations under this Agreement or the Indenture of a criminal offense under the laws of the United States, or the laws of any other jurisdiction in which the Reference Portfolio Manager conducts business, materially related to the Reference Portfolio Manager's asset management businesses; (vi) the occurrence of an Event of Default under Section 5.1(a) under the Indenture; (vii) the persons owning and controlling voting securities of the Reference Portfolio Manager as of the date hereof failing to own and control, directly or indirectly, in the aggregate at least 50% of the outstanding voting securities of the Reference Portfolio Manager; and (viii) the failure of any representation or warranty by the Reference Portfolio Manager hereunder, or any certification or written statement made by or delivered by the Reference Portfolio Manager hereunder to be correct in any material respect when made where such failure has a material adverse effect on the Issuer or the Holders of Income Notes or the Issuer's rights under this Agreement and no correction is made for a period of 30 days after the Reference Portfolio Manager's becoming aware of, or receiving notice from the Issuer of, such failure.

If any of the events specified in this clause (b) shall occur, the Reference Portfolio Manager shall give prompt written notice thereof to the Issuer and the Trustee upon the Reference Portfolio Manager's becoming aware of the occurrence of such event.

(c) The Reference Portfolio Manager may resign upon not less than 90 days' written notice to the Issuer.

(d) This Agreement shall be automatically terminated in the event that the Internal Revenue Service has determined, in a final, non-appealable proceeding, that the Issuer or Co-Issuer has become engaged in the conduct of a trade or business in the United States for purposes of the Code.

(e) No termination, removal or resignation of the Reference Portfolio Manager shall be effective until the Issuer has appointed a successor Reference Portfolio Manager and such

successor Reference Portfolio Manager shall have agreed in writing to assume all of the Reference Portfolio Manager's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement; provided, however, that if no successor Reference Portfolio Manager shall have been appointed and so confirmed, or if an instrument of acceptance by a successor Reference Portfolio Manager shall not have been delivered to the Issuer, in any case within 90 days of the initial notice to the Issuer or the Reference Portfolio Manager, as the case may be, relating to the termination, removal or resignation of the Reference Portfolio Manager, then the Reference Portfolio Manager may petition a court of competent jurisdiction to appoint any established institutional manager of national standing with experience managing comparable assets or reference assets as the successor to the Reference Portfolio Manager hereunder in the assumption of all or any part of the responsibilities, duties or liabilities of the Reference Portfolio Manager hereunder.

8. Action Upon Termination, Removal or Resignation. Upon the termination of this Agreement or the removal or resignation of the Reference Portfolio Manager:

(a) The Reference Portfolio Manager shall, as soon as practicable, deliver to the Issuer all property and documents relating to the Reference Obligations and Eligible Investments then in the custody of the Reference Portfolio Manager. The Reference Portfolio Manager shall also deliver to the Issuer an accounting with respect to the books and records delivered to the Issuer or the successor Reference Portfolio Manager appointed pursuant to Section 7 above.

(b) The Reference Portfolio Manager shall be reimbursed for all reimbursable expenses incurred by the Reference Portfolio Manager prior to the date of termination, removal or resignation for which the Issuer is responsible hereunder to the extent and at such time as provided in Section 4 hereof.

(c) The Reference Portfolio Manager shall remain liable (subject to Section 9 hereof) for its acts and omissions in the performance of its duties hereunder prior to such termination or pursuant to this Section 8 and for any expenses, losses, damages, liabilities, demands, charges or claims of any nature whatsoever (including reasonable attorney's fees) arising therefrom or out of a breach of representations and warranties made by the Reference Portfolio Manager in Section 18 hereof.

(d) The Reference Portfolio Manager shall not be entitled to Management Fees or other compensation accruing after the effective date of the termination of this Agreement or the removal or resignation of the Reference Portfolio Manager hereunder, but shall be paid all Management Fees accrued and unpaid prior to such effective date to the extent and at such time as provided in Section 4 hereof and the Indenture.

(e) The Reference Portfolio Manager agrees that, notwithstanding any termination, it shall reasonably cooperate with the Issuer in any Proceeding arising in connection with this Agreement, the Reference Portfolio or the Indenture (excluding any such Proceeding in which claims are asserted against the Reference Portfolio Manager or any Affiliate thereof).

9. Liability of the Reference Portfolio Manager; Delegation.

(a) Except as otherwise required by law, the Reference Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates, directors, officers, employees, shareholders, assigns, representatives or agents shall not

be liable to CFPI, the Issuer, the Trustee or the Holders of the Income Notes for any loss, liability, damage, settlement cost, or other expense (including attorneys' fees) incurred by reason of any act or omission by the Reference Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates, directors, officers, employees, shareholders, assigns, representatives or agents in the performance of the Reference Portfolio Manager's duties or obligations hereunder and under the Indenture, except by reason of acts or omissions (including, without limitation, acts or omissions of any persons employed in accordance with clause (c) below) constituting bad faith, fraud, willful misconduct, gross negligence or breach of fiduciary duty in the performance of, or reckless disregard of, such duties or obligations. The matters excluded by the preceding sentence are collectively referred to as "Reference Portfolio Manager Breaches".

(b) In connection with taking or omitting to take any action under this Agreement or the Indenture, the Reference Portfolio Manager may consult with nationally recognized counsel and may rely in good faith on the written advice or opinion of such counsel.

(c) Notwithstanding Section 15 hereof, in providing services hereunder, the Reference Portfolio Manager may employ third parties, including its Affiliates, to render advice (including investment advice) and assistance; provided, however, that the Reference Portfolio Manager shall not be relieved of any of its duties or obligations hereunder regardless of the performance of such services by third parties.

(d) The Reference Portfolio Manager assumes no responsibility under this Agreement other than to render the services called for hereunder and under the terms of the Indenture applicable to it, in good faith, and, absent a Reference Portfolio Manager Breach, shall not be responsible for any action of the Issuer in following or declining to follow any advice, recommendation or direction of the Reference Portfolio Manager. The Reference Portfolio Manager will not be liable to CFPI, the Issuer, the Trustee or the Holders of Income Notes for any loss incurred as a result of any omission or recommendation by, or any actions taken or recommended by, the Reference Portfolio Manager under this Agreement or the Indenture, except by reason of a Reference Portfolio Manager Breach.

10. Indemnification. (a) To the extent permitted by applicable law, the Reference Portfolio Manager and any of its Affiliates, directors, officers, employees, shareholders, assigns, representatives or agents, in each case other than in its capacity of as the holder or beneficial owner of any Security (each such person being an "Indemnified Party") shall be held harmless and be indemnified by the Issuer (solely to the extent provided herein) for any liability, loss (including amounts paid by such person in settlement in accordance with the provisions herein), damages or expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses) (in the case of expenses in connection with defending any action, claim, investigation or proceeding, as such expenses are incurred (subject to an obligation to repay any such expenses if it is determined that the Indemnified Party is not entitled to be indemnified thereof hereunder)) (collectively, "Liabilities") suffered by virtue of any acts or omissions or alleged acts or omissions by such Indemnified Party, in the performance of the Reference Portfolio Manager's duties under this Agreement and the Indenture, except to the extent any such Liability arises as a result of a Reference Portfolio Manager Breach.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Issuer shall only be obligated to pay amounts pursuant to this Section 10 subject to the availability of funds under the Priority of Payments.

(b) With respect to any claim made or threatened against an Indemnified Party, or compulsory process or request or other notice of any loss, claim, damage or liability served upon an Indemnified Party, for which such Indemnified Party is or may be entitled to indemnification under this Section 10, such Indemnified Party shall (or with respect to Indemnified Parties that are the Reference Portfolio Manager's directors, officers, stockholders, partners, employees, Affiliates and agents, the Reference Portfolio Manager shall cause such Indemnified Party to):

(i) give written notice to the Issuer of such claim within ten (10) days after such claim is made or threatened, which notice shall specify in reasonable detail the nature of the claim and the amount (or an estimate of the amount) of the claim, provided that failure to so notify the Issuer shall not relieve the Issuer from its obligations under this Section 10 unless and to the extent such failure materially prejudices the Issuer or the Issuer otherwise forfeits rights or defenses by reason of such failure;

(ii) provide the Issuer such information and cooperation with respect to such claim as the Issuer may reasonably require, including, but not limited to, making appropriate personnel available to the Issuer at such reasonable times as the Issuer may request;

(iii) cooperate and take all such steps as the Issuer may reasonably request to preserve and protect any defense to such claim;

(iv) in the event suit is brought with respect to such claim, upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Issuer the right, which the Issuer may exercise in its sole discretion and at its expense, to participate in the investigation, defense and settlement of such claim;

(v) neither incur any material expense to defend against nor release or settle any such claim or make any admission with respect thereto (other than routine or incontestable admissions or factual admissions the failure to make which would expose such Indemnified Party to unindemnified liability) nor permit a default or consent to the entry of any judgment in respect thereof without the prior written consent of the Issuer; and

(vi) upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Issuer the right, in its sole discretion and at its sole expense, to assume the defense of such claim, including, but not limited to, the right to designate counsel and to control all negotiations, litigation, arbitration, settlements, compromises and appeals of such claim; provided, that if the Issuer assumes the defense of such claim, it shall not be liable for any fees and expenses of counsel for any Indemnified Party incurred thereafter in connection with such claim except that if such Indemnified Party reasonably determines that counsel designated by the Issuer has a conflict of interest, the Issuer shall pay the reasonable fees and disbursements of one counsel (in addition to any local counsel) separate from its own counsel for all Indemnified Parties in connection with any one action or separate but similar or related actions in the same jurisdiction arising out of the same general allegations or circumstances; and



provided further, that prior to entering into any final settlement or compromise, the Issuer shall seek the consent of the Indemnified Party and use its best efforts in the light of the then prevailing circumstances (including, without limitation, any express or implied time constraint on any pending settlement offer) to obtain the consent of such Indemnified Party as to the terms of settlement or compromise. If an Indemnified Party does not consent to the settlement or compromise within a reasonable time under the then-prevailing circumstances, the Issuer shall not thereafter be obligated to indemnify the Indemnified Party for any amount in excess of such proposed settlement or compromise.

(c) No Indemnified Party shall, without the prior written consent of the Issuer, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed, settle or compromise any claim giving rise to a claim for indemnity hereunder or permit a default or consent to the entry of any judgment in respect thereof, unless such settlement, compromise or consent includes, as an unconditional term thereof, the giving by the claimant to the Issuer of a release from liability substantially equivalent to the release given by the claimant to such Indemnified Party in respect of such claim.

(d) In the event that any Indemnified Party waives its right to indemnification hereunder, the Issuer shall not be entitled to appoint counsel to represent such Indemnified Party nor shall the Issuer reimburse such Indemnified Party for any costs of counsel to such Indemnified Party.

(e) Nothing herein shall in any way constitute a waiver or limitation of any rights which the Issuer may have under any U.S. federal securities laws.

#### 11. Records; Confidentiality.

(a) The Reference Portfolio Manager shall maintain appropriate books of account and records relating to services performed hereunder, and such books of account and records shall be accessible for inspection by a representative of the Issuer and the Trustee at any time during normal business hours and upon not less than three Business Days' prior notice.

(b) At no time shall the Reference Portfolio Manager make or permit any other person to make a public announcement concerning the issuance of the Income Notes, the structure of the transaction, the Reference Portfolio Manager's role hereunder or any other aspect to the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the Indenture, without the prior consent of the Issuer. The Reference Portfolio Manager shall, and shall cause its affiliates to, keep confidential and not without the prior written consent of the Issuer use or disclose any and all information received in connection herewith except (a) as necessary to perform its obligations hereunder, (b) as required by law, regulation, court order or the rules or regulations of any self-regulatory organization, body or official having jurisdiction over the Reference Portfolio Manager, (c) to its professional advisers which are bound by confidentiality obligations, (d) such information as shall have been publicly disclosed other than in violation of this Agreement or the Indenture and (e) as otherwise expressly contemplated by the Indenture or this Agreement.

(c) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Reference Portfolio Manager (and each employee, representative, or other agent of the Reference Portfolio Manager)

may disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the U.S. federal income and state and local income and franchise tax treatment and tax structure of the transaction and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to the Reference Portfolio Manager relating to such tax treatment and tax structure. For this purpose “tax structure” is limited to facts relevant to the U.S. federal income and state and local income and franchise tax treatment of the transaction and does not include information relating to the identity of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Initial Purchaser, the Placement Agent, or any Holder.

12. Certain Additional Requirements. During the term of this Agreement, (i) the Issuer, at its own expense, shall be entitled to audit (either directly or through an independent auditor) the Reference Portfolio Manager with respect to the performance of its obligations under this Agreement and the Indenture (including, without limitation, as to internal controls, security programs and business continuity programs); (ii) the Reference Portfolio Manager shall notify the Issuer of any service disruptions, security breaches or other events which may materially impact the Reference Portfolio Manager’s ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement; (iii) the Reference Portfolio Manager shall forward to the Issuer any complaints it receives from Holders of Income Notes in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the Indenture, (iv) the Reference Portfolio Manager shall maintain an appropriate disaster recovery and business continuity plan providing for the continuation or resumption, as the case may be, of business functions in connection with its obligations under this Agreement and the Indenture, including in the case of system breakdown and natural or man-made disaster and (v) the Reference Portfolio Manager shall retain insurance and equity capital in such amounts as are reasonable and customary (as determined by the Reference Portfolio Manager in its reasonable judgment) for managers managing comparable assets or reference assets. The Reference Portfolio Manager acknowledges that the Issuer’s retention of the Reference Portfolio Manager hereunder may be subject to examination oversight by applicable regulatory authorities, and agrees to reasonably cooperate with the Issuer in connection with any examination or inquiry by any such regulatory authority in connection with this Agreement and the Indenture.

13. No Partnership or Joint Venture. The Issuer and the Reference Portfolio Manager are not partners or joint venturers with each other, and nothing herein shall be construed to make them such partners or joint venturers or impose any liability as such on any of them. The Reference Portfolio Manager’s relation to the Issuer shall be deemed to be that of an independent contractor, and all transactions between the Issuer and the Reference Portfolio Manager shall be on arm’s-length terms.

14. Notices. Unless otherwise expressly provided herein, all notices, requests, demands and other communications required or permitted under, or otherwise in connection with, this Agreement shall be in writing and sent by answerback facsimile or addressed and delivered or mailed postage paid via registered mail with a return receipt request to the other party at the address specified below, or at such address as such other party may designate for the receipt of such notice.

The Issuer: Valhalla CLO, Ltd.  
c/o Intertrust SPV (Cayman) Limited  
190 Elgin Avenue  
George Town  
Grand Cayman KY1-9005  
Cayman Islands  
Attn: The Directors  
Fax: (345) 945-4757

Reference Portfolio Highland Capital Management, L.P.  
Manager: 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700  
Dallas, Texas 75240  
Attn: Hunter Covitz  
Fax: (972) 628-4147

15. Successors and Assigns. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the successors and permitted assigns of the parties hereto. Any purported assignment of this Agreement to any Person, in whole or in part, by the Reference Portfolio Manager shall be deemed null and void unless such assignment is consented to in writing by the Issuer. Any assignment so consented to shall bind the assignee hereunder in the same manner as the Reference Portfolio Manager is bound. In addition, the assignee shall execute and deliver to the Issuer a counterpart of this Agreement naming such assignee as Reference Portfolio Manager. Upon the execution and delivery of such a counterpart by the assignee, the Reference Portfolio Manager shall be released from further obligations pursuant to this Agreement, except with respect to its agreements in Section 16 and its obligations arising under Section 9 in respect of acts or omissions occurring before such assignment and except with respect to its obligations under Section 8.

This Agreement shall not be assigned by the Issuer without the prior written consent of the Reference Portfolio Manager. In the event of any assignment by the Issuer of the Agreement to a successor, the Issuer shall use reasonable efforts to cause such successor to execute and deliver to the Reference Portfolio Manager such documents as the Reference Portfolio Manager shall consider reasonably necessary to effect fully such assignment.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Section 15, any successor to the Reference Portfolio Manager by way of transfer, merger, conversion, consolidation or acquisition of all or substantially all of the Reference Portfolio Manager's asset management business relating to debt securities and loans shall be the successor to the Reference Portfolio Manager under this Agreement without any further action by the Reference Portfolio Manager, the Issuer or any other person or entity.

The Reference Portfolio Manager shall notify the Issuer and the Trustee in writing (i) if it shall (x) consolidate or merge with or into any other unrelated third party entity or (y) sell, lease or otherwise transfer, directly or indirectly, in a single transaction or a series of related transactions all or any substantial part of its assets and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole, to any other unrelated third party entity, or (ii) if there is any material change in the limited partnership structure of the Reference Portfolio Manager, in any case as soon as practicable after the conclusion of such transactions or such change.

16. Bankruptcy Proceedings. The Reference Portfolio Manager agrees that it will not (and will not join any other Person in order to) (i) institute against the Issuer or Co-Issuer any case, proceeding or other action under any existing or future law of any jurisdiction, domestic or foreign, relating to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or relief of debtors, seeking to have any order for relief entered with respect to it, or seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, winding-up, liquidation, dissolution, composition or other relief with respect to it or its debts, (ii) seek appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian or other similar official for the Issuer or Co-Issuer or for all or any substantial part of its assets or (iii) take any action in furtherance of, or indicating its consent to, approval of, or acquiescence in, any of the acts set forth above, until at least one year and one day (or, if longer, the applicable preference period then provided by law) after the payment in full of all Securities issued under the Indenture; provided that nothing in this Section 16 shall preclude, or be deemed to estop, the Reference Portfolio Manager (A) from taking any action before the expiration of such period in (x) any case or proceeding voluntarily filed or commenced by either the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or (y) any involuntary insolvency proceeding filed or commenced against either the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by a Person other than the Reference Portfolio Manager or (B) from commencing against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any properties of such party, any legal action that is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation proceeding. The provisions of this Section 16 shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

17. Submission to Jurisdiction. Each of the Reference Portfolio Manager and the Issuer:

(i) irrevocably submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the State of New York and the United States federal courts located in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Indenture or this Agreement;

(ii) irrevocably agrees that all claims in respect of such action or proceeding may be heard and determined in such New York state or federal court and further irrevocably waives the right to object, with respect to such proceedings, that such court does not have any jurisdiction over such party;

(iii) to the fullest extent it may legally do so, irrevocably waives the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of such action or proceeding, including by irrevocably waiving any objection which it may have at any time to the laying of venue of any proceedings brought in any such court and irrevocably waiving any claim that such proceedings have been brought in an inconvenient forum; and

(iv) agrees that a final judgment in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

The Reference Portfolio Manager irrevocably consents to the service of any and all process in any action or proceeding by the mailing or delivery of copies of such process to it at its office as the address set forth in Section 14 hereof.

18. Representations and Warranties.

(a) The Reference Portfolio Manager represents and warrants to the Issuer that:

(i) the Reference Portfolio Manager has been duly organized as a limited partnership and is validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware, has full corporate power and authority to own its assets and transact the business in which it is currently engaged and proposes to be engaged and is duly qualified and in good standing as a limited partnership under the laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of its obligations under this Agreement or the Indenture would require, such qualification, except for those jurisdictions in which the failure to be so qualified, authorized or licensed would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Reference Portfolio Manager or on the ability of the Reference Portfolio Manager to perform its obligations under, or the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement or the Indenture;

(ii) the Reference Portfolio Manager has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement and all obligations required hereunder and under the Indenture, and the Reference Portfolio Manager has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement and the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and all obligations required hereunder and under the Indenture. This Agreement has been, and each instrument and document required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture shall be, executed and delivered by a duly authorized officer of the Reference Portfolio Manager, and this Agreement constitutes a valid and binding agreement of the Reference Portfolio Manager, enforceable against the Reference Portfolio Manager in accordance with its terms, except that the enforceability thereof may be subject to (a) bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws now or hereafter in effect relating to creditors' rights and (b) general principles of equity (regardless of whether such enforcement is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law);

(iii) the Reference Portfolio Manager is not in violation of any federal or state securities law or regulation promulgated thereunder and there is no charge, investigation, action, suit or proceeding before or by any court or regulatory agency pending or, to the best knowledge of the Reference Portfolio Manager, threatened that would have a material adverse effect upon the performance by the Reference Portfolio Manager of its duties under this Agreement or on the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Reference Portfolio Manager hereunder (the "Indenture Provisions");

(iv) The Reference Portfolio Manager is not in violation of its governing instruments or in breach or violation of or in default under any contract or agreement to which it is a party or by which it or any of its property may be bound, or any applicable statute or any rule, regulation or order of any court, government agency or body having jurisdiction over the Reference Portfolio Manager or its properties, the breach or violation of which or default under which would have a material adverse effect on the validity or

enforceability of this Agreement or the Indenture Provisions, or the performance by the Reference Portfolio Manager of its duties hereunder or thereunder;

(v) neither the execution and delivery of this Agreement, nor the fulfillment of the terms hereof, nor the fulfillment of the terms of the Indenture Provisions nor the documents and instruments required hereunder or under the Indenture Provisions, conflicts or results in a material breach or violation of any of the terms or provisions, or constitutes a default under, (a) the Reference Portfolio Manager's constitutive documents, (b) the terms of any indenture, contract, lease, mortgage, deed of trust, note agreement or other agreement, obligation, condition, covenant, instrument or undertaking to which the Reference Portfolio Manager is a party or by which the Reference Portfolio Manager or any of its assets is or may be bound, (c) any law or regulation binding on or applicable to the Reference Portfolio Manager or (d) any decree, order, judgment, award, rule or regulation binding on or applicable to the Reference Portfolio Manager of any court, arbitrator or regulatory, administrative or governmental agency, body or authority having or asserting jurisdiction over the Reference Portfolio Manager or its properties, and which individually or in the aggregate would have a material adverse effect upon the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Reference Portfolio Manager or its ability to perform its duties under this Agreement or the Swap Provision, or shall result in or require the creation or imposition of any lien on its property, assets or revenues pursuant to the provisions of any such mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking;

(vi) no consent, approval, authorization, license, permit or order of or exemption by, notice or report to or declaration, registration or filing with, any government, governmental instrumentality or court or other person is required by the Reference Portfolio Manager in connection with this Agreement or the execution, delivery, validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the obligations required hereunder or under the Indenture or the performance thereof by the Reference Portfolio Manager, except such as have been duly made or obtained; and

(vii) the Reference Portfolio Manager is duly registered and in good standing as an investment advisor with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission under the U.S. Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended.

(b) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants to the Reference Portfolio Manager as follows:

(i) The Issuer has been duly incorporated and is validly existing as an exempted company with limited liability under the laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation, has full power and authority to own its assets and to transact the business in which it is presently engaged and is duly qualified under the laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of its obligations under this Agreement would require, such qualification, except for those jurisdictions in which the failure to be so qualified, authorized or licensed would not in the aggregate have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial

condition of the Issuer or on the ability of the Issuer to perform its obligations under, or the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement;

(ii) The Issuer has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement and all obligations required hereunder and under the Indenture and has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement and the Indenture; and

(iii) This Agreement has been executed and delivered by a duly authorized officer of the Issuer and constitutes a valid and binding agreement of the Issuer, enforceable against the Issuer in accordance with its terms, except that the enforceability thereof may be subject to (a) bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws now or hereafter in effect relating to creditors' rights and (b) general principles of equity (regardless of whether such enforcement is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law).

19. Governing Law.

THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

20. Miscellaneous.

(a) The captions in this Agreement are included for convenience only and in no way define or limit any of the provisions hereof or otherwise affect their construction or effect.

(b) In the event any provision of this Agreement shall be held invalid or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not invalidate or render unenforceable any other provisions hereof.

(c) This Agreement may not be amended or modified except by an instrument in writing signed by the parties hereto.

(d) This Agreement constitutes the entire understanding and agreement between the parties and supersedes all other prior understandings and agreements, whether written or oral, between the parties concerning this subject matter.

(e) This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which so executed shall be deemed an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

(f) Unless otherwise noted, use of the word "Section" refers to the relevant Section in this Agreement.

(g) Words used herein, regardless of the number and gender specifically used, shall be deemed and construed to include any other number, singular or plural, and any other gender, masculine, feminine or neuter, as the context requires.

21. Beneficiaries. This Agreement is made solely for the benefit of the Issuer and the Reference Portfolio Manager, their successors and permitted assigns, and no other person shall have any right, benefit or interest under or because of this Agreement.

22. [Reserved].

23. Indulgences Not Waivers. Neither the failure nor any delay on the part of the Issuer or the Reference Portfolio Manager to exercise any right, remedy, power or privilege under this Agreement shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power or privilege preclude any other or further exercise of the same or of any other right, remedy, power or privilege, nor shall any waiver of any right, remedy, power or privilege with respect to any occurrence be construed as a waiver of such right, remedy, power or privilege with respect to any other occurrence. No waiver shall be effective unless it is in writing and is signed by the party asserted to have granted such waiver.

24. Conflicts with Indenture. Subject to Sections 2(d) and 5(d) hereof, in the event this Agreement requires action with respect to any matter and the terms of the Indenture expressly require that the Reference Portfolio Manager take a different action with respect to such matter, and such actions are mutually exclusive, the provisions of the Indenture in respect thereof shall control.

25. Written Disclosure Statement.

The Issuer acknowledges that it has received Part II of the Reference Portfolio Manager's Form ADV filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, as required by Rule 204-3 under the Advisers Act, more than 48 hours prior to the date of execution of this Agreement. The Reference Portfolio Manager shall provide the Issuer with a copy of Part II of its Form ADV annually within seven days of receipt of a written request therefor from the Issuer.

26. No Recourse.

The Reference Portfolio Manager hereby acknowledges and agrees that the Issuer's obligations hereunder shall be solely the corporate obligations of the Issuer, and the Reference Portfolio Manager shall not have any recourse to any of the directors, officers, employees, shareholders or affiliates of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer with respect to any expenses, losses, damages, judgments, assessments, costs, demands, charges, claims, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations in connection with any transactions contemplated hereby. No recourse shall be had, whether by levy or execution or otherwise, against any affiliate of the Issuer, or the Co-Issuer or any shareholders, directors, officers, agents or employees of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and its respective affiliate under any rule of law, statute or constitution, or by the enforcement of any assessment or penalty, or otherwise, nor shall any of such persons be personally liable for any such amounts or claims, or liable for any defenses or judgments based thereon or with respect thereto. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, obligations of the Issuer pursuant to this Agreement shall constitute limited recourse obligations of the Issuer payable solely from the Trust Estate in accordance with the Priority of Payments and following the liquidation of the Trust Estate and the application of the proceeds thereof in accordance with the Priority of Payments, all obligations of and claims against the Issuer under this Agreement shall be extinguished and shall



not thereafter revive. The provisions of this Section 26 shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

[Signature pages follow.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by their respective authorized representatives on the day and year first above written.

VALHALLA CLO, LTD.

By: 

Name: Martin Couch  
Title: Director

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT,  
L.P., as Reference Portfolio Manager

By: STRAND ADVISORS, INC., as  
General Partner

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

Name:

Title:


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VALHALLA CLO, LTD.

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

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT,  
L.P., as Reference Portfolio Manager

By: STRAND ADVISORS, INC., as  
General Partner

By:   
Name: James Dondero  
Title: President

## **EXHIBIT RRR**

OFFERING MEMORANDUM

CONFIDENTIAL

# Westchester CLO, Ltd.\*

## Westchester CLO Corp.\*

U.S.\$570,500,000 Class A-1-A Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2022

U.S.\$142,500,000 Class A-1-B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2022

U.S.\$80,000,000 Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2022

U.S.\$53,500,000 Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2022

U.S.\$36,000,000 Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2022

U.S.\$37,500,000 Class E Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2022

39,000 Class I Preference Shares

41,000 Class II Preference Shares

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The names of the Issuer and Co-Issuer are new names reflecting a recent name change.

The Securities will be issued on or about May 31, 2007 (the “**Closing Date**”). The Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares are subject to multiple extensions if the Issuer provides timely notice and the Extension Conditions are satisfied as described herein.

The net proceeds of the offering of the Securities will be applied by the Issuer to repay loans used by the Issuer to finance the purchase of certain Collateral Obligations prior to the Closing Date and to purchase additional Collateral Obligations on and after the Closing Date, all of which will be pledged under the Indenture by the Issuer to the Trustee for the benefit of the secured parties named therein. See “Use of Proceeds.” Highland Capital Management, L.P. (“**Highland Capital**” or, in such capacity, the “**Servicer**”) will service the Issuer’s portfolio.

The initial offer price of the Notes is 100%. The Preference Shares are being offered in negotiated transactions at varying prices determined at the time of each sale.

This Offering Memorandum constitutes a prospectus (the “**Prospectus**”) for the purposes of Directive 2003/71/EC (the “**Prospectus Directive**”). Application is expected to be made to the Irish Financial Services Regulatory Authority, as competent authority under the Prospectus Directive for this Prospectus to be approved. Application is expected to be made to the Irish Stock Exchange for the Senior Notes to be admitted to the Official List and trading on its regulated market.

### **Investing in the Securities involves risks. See “Risk Factors” beginning on Page 29.**

Certain pledged assets of the issuer are the sole source of payments on the Securities. The Securities do not represent an interest in or obligations of, and are not insured or guaranteed by, the Holders of the Preference Shares, the Servicer, the Trustee, any paying agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Initial Purchasers, any Hedge Counterparty or any of their respective Affiliates.

The Securities have not been, and will not be, registered under the Securities Act and neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer will be registered under the Investment Company Act. The Senior Notes will be offered and sold to non-U.S. Persons outside of the United States in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act. The Senior Notes may not be offered or sold within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. Persons except to persons that are (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers (as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act) and (ii) Qualified Purchasers for purposes of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act. The Class E Notes and the Preference Shares will be offered and sold only to persons that are (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers (or, solely in the case of certain Holders purchasing Class E Notes on the Closing Date, institutional Accredited Investors (as defined in clause (1), (2), (3) or (7) of Rule 501(a) under Regulation D under the Securities Act)) and (ii) Qualified Purchasers. The Securities are not transferable except in accordance with the restrictions described under “Transfer Restrictions.”

The Notes and the Class I Preference Shares are being offered, subject to prior sale, when, as and if delivered to and accepted by Lehman Brothers Inc. and Lehman Brothers International (Europe) (together, the “**Initial Purchasers**”). On or about the Closing Date, all of the Class II Preference Shares will be offered and sold by the Issuer directly to Highland Financial Partners, L.P. (“**HFP**”) (an Affiliate of the Servicer) and/or one or more of its subsidiaries.

**Lehman Brothers**

May 30, 2007

Payment of interest on, and principal of, the Notes will be made by the Issuer in U.S. Dollars on the first day of each February, May, August and November of each year (or if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day) (each such date a “**Payment Date**”), commencing November 1, 2007, to the extent of available cash flow in respect of the Collateral in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Each Class of Notes will bear interest at the per annum rates set forth under “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.” The Preference Shares will receive as dividends certain amounts available for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments. In addition, Holders of the Class II Preference Shares are entitled, subject to any restrictions under Cayman Islands law, to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments equivalent to the proceeds that would otherwise constitute a portion (representing the Class II Preference Share Percentage) of the Servicing Fees payable to the Servicer on each Payment Date prior to February 3, 2008. With respect to any Payment Date after February 3, 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion (or all) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments; *provided* that with respect to the Payment Date in May 2008 such Class II Preference Share Special Payments will, at a minimum, include amounts that would otherwise constitute a portion (representing the Class II Preference Share Percentage) of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Payment Date in February 2008 through February 3, 2008. See “Description of the Securities—Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Preference Shares from Interest Proceeds” and “—Priority of Payments.”

The Notes will be subject to Optional Redemption in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period, in each case at the direction of the applicable Required Redemption Percentage. The Notes will be subject to mandatory redemption on any Payment Date, to the extent that any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied, as described herein. The Notes will be subject to Special Redemption, at the discretion of the Servicer, to the extent that at any time during the Replacement Period, the Servicer cannot identify satisfactory additional or replacement Collateral Obligations. The Notes will be subject to Refinancing after the Non-Call Period on the terms and conditions described herein. After redemption in full of the Notes, the Preference Shares will be subject to Optional Redemption in whole or in part on any Payment Date by the Issuer at the direction of the Holders of the requisite percentage of the Preference Shares at the applicable Redemption Price pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted; *provided, however*, that the Preference Shares must be redeemed on or prior to the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. See “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption,” “Optional Redemption—Redemption by Refinancing,” “—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes,” “—Special Redemption of Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture” and “—Priority of Payments.” The principal amount of the Notes will be payable at the Stated Maturity, unless redeemed or paid in full prior thereto. The Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed at their Redemption Price on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, unless redeemed prior thereto.

**Application is expected to be made to list the Senior Notes on the regulated market of the Irish Stock Exchange (the “ISE”). However, there can be no assurance that the ISE will in fact accept the listing of the Senior Notes or, if accepted, that such listing will be maintained. Furthermore, the Co-Issuers will not be required to maintain a listing on a stock exchange in the European Union if compliance with requirements of the European Commission on a member state becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer.**

It is a condition of the issuance of the Securities that (i) the Class A-1-A Notes and the Class A-1-B Notes each be rated “Aaa” by Moody’s Investors Service, Inc. (“**Moody’s**”) and “AAA” by Standard & Poor’s Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. (“**S&P**”) and, together with Moody’s,

the “**Rating Agencies**”), (ii) the Class B Notes be rated at least “Aa2” by Moody’s and at least “AA” by S&P, (iii) the Class C Notes be rated at least “A2” by Moody’s and at least “A” by S&P, (iv) the Class D Notes be rated at least “Baa2” by Moody’s and at least “BBB” by S&P and (v) the Class E Notes be rated at least “Ba2” by Moody’s and at least “BB” by S&P. Each of the above ratings assumes that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date. A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning Rating Agency. The Preference Shares will not be rated by any credit rating agency.

No person has been authorized to make or provide any representation or information regarding the Co-Issuers or the Securities other than as contained in this Offering Memorandum. Any such representation or information should not be relied upon as having been authorized by the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchasers. The delivery of this Offering Memorandum at any time does not imply that the information contained in it is correct as of any time subsequent to the date of this Offering Memorandum. The Co-Issuers disclaim any obligation to update such information and do not intend to do so. Unless otherwise indicated, all information in this Offering Memorandum is given as of the date of this Offering Memorandum.

This Offering Memorandum has been prepared by the Co-Issuers solely for use in connection with the listing of the Senior Notes and the offering of the Securities as described herein. Unless as otherwise provided herein, the Co-Issuers have taken reasonable care to ensure that facts stated in this Offering Memorandum are true and accurate in all material respects and that there have not been omitted material facts the omission of which would make misleading in any material respect any statements of fact or opinion herein. The Co-Issuers accept responsibility accordingly.

The information appearing in the sections entitled “Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer” and “The Servicer” has been prepared by the Servicer and has not been independently verified by the Initial Purchasers or the Co-Issuers. The Initial Purchasers and the Co-Issuers do not assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness, or applicability of such information, except that the Co-Issuers assume responsibility for accurately reproducing such information in this Offering Memorandum.

None of the Initial Purchasers, the Servicer (except with respect to the sections entitled, “Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer” and “The Servicer”) or the Trustee makes any representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the accuracy or completeness of the information in this Offering Memorandum. Each person receiving this Offering Memorandum acknowledges that such person has not relied on the Initial Purchasers, the Servicer (except with respect to the section entitled “Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer” and “The Servicer”) or the Trustee or any person affiliated therewith, in connection with its investigation of the accuracy of such information or its investment decision. Each person contemplating making an investment in the Securities must make its own investigation and analysis of the creditworthiness of the Co-Issuers and its own determination of the suitability of any such investment, with particular reference to its own investment objectives and experience, and any other factors that may be relevant to it in connection with such investment.

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION OR OTHER REGULATORY AUTHORITY, AND NONE OF THE FOREGOING AUTHORITIES HAS CONFIRMED THE ACCURACY OR DETERMINED THE ADEQUACY OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

This Offering Memorandum contains summaries of certain documents. The summaries do not purport to be complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to such documents. Each person receiving this Offering Memorandum acknowledges that such person has been afforded an opportunity to request from the Issuer and to review, and has received, all additional information considered by such person to be necessary to verify the accuracy and completeness of the information herein. Requests and inquiries regarding this Offering Memorandum or such documents should be directed to the Issuer, in care of the Initial Purchasers at 745 Seventh Ave., New York, New York 10019, Attention: CDO Banking. Such requests may also be made to the Listing Agent at the address set forth on the final page of this Offering Memorandum.

The Securities are a new issue of securities. There can be no assurance that a secondary market for any of the Securities will develop, or if a secondary market does develop, that it will provide the Holders of such Securities with liquidity of investment or that it will continue. Accordingly, investors should be prepared to bear the risks of holding the Securities until final payment is made thereon.

THE CONTENTS OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM ARE NOT TO BE CONSTRUED AS ACCOUNTING, LEGAL, BUSINESS OR TAX ADVICE. EACH PROSPECTIVE INVESTOR SHOULD CONSULT ITS OWN ACCOUNTANT, ATTORNEY, BUSINESS ADVISOR AND TAX ADVISOR AS TO LEGAL, BUSINESS AND TAX ADVICE. NONE OF THE CO-ISSUERS, THE INITIAL PURCHASERS, THE SERVICER OR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES MAKES ANY REPRESENTATION TO ANY OFFEREE OF THE SECURITIES REGARDING THE LEGALITY OF AN INVESTMENT THEREIN BY SUCH OFFEREE UNDER APPLICABLE LEGAL INVESTMENT OR SIMILAR LAWS OR REGULATIONS OR THE PROPER CLASSIFICATION OF SUCH AN INVESTMENT THEREUNDER.

This Offering Memorandum does not constitute an offer of, or an invitation by or on behalf of, the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchasers to subscribe to or purchase any of the Securities in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful to make such an offer or invitation. The distribution of this Offering Memorandum and the offering of the Securities in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law. Persons into whose possession this Offering Memorandum comes are required by the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchasers to inform themselves about and to observe any such restrictions. For a description of certain further restrictions on offers and sales of Securities and distribution of this Offering Memorandum, see “Description of the Securities,” “Plan of Distribution” and “Transfer Restrictions.”

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has been registered under the United States Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “**Investment Company Act**”), in reliance on an exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Section 3(c)(7) under the Investment Company Act (“**Section 3(c)(7)**”). Each purchaser of Senior Notes represented by an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will be deemed to represent and agree and each purchaser of Class E Notes will be required to represent and agree that (i) the purchaser is acquiring such Notes in a principal amount of not less than U.S.\$250,000, and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof for such purchaser (and, in the case of the Senior Notes, each account for which such purchaser is purchasing such Notes) and (ii) the purchaser (and, in the case of the Senior Notes, each such account), is a Qualified Purchaser for purposes of Section 3(c)(7) (“**Qualified Purchaser**”). Each purchaser of Preference Shares will be required to represent and agree that (i) the purchaser is acquiring such Preference Shares in a number of not less than 100 Preference Shares and in integral multiples of one Preference Share in excess thereof for such purchaser and (ii) the purchaser is a Qualified Purchaser. See “Transfer Restrictions.”

The Issuer and the Co-Issuer may, at any time following the Closing Date, rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act (“**Rule 3a-7**”) in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7) upon (a) receipt of an opinion of counsel from a nationally



recognized law firm providing that neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer is required to register as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on such exclusion under Rule 3a-7 and (b) notice to the Holders of the Securities in accordance with the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. In connection with the Issuer’s reliance on Rule 3a-7 in lieu of Section 3(c)(7), the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents may be amended without the consent of any Holders and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to prevent the Issuer from becoming an “investment company” as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7). See “Risk Factors—The Servicer May Cause the Issuer to Amend the Indenture to Assure Compliance with Rule 3a-7 Without the Consent of the Holders of the Securities in a Manner That May Adversely Affect the Holders of Securities.”

No invitation to subscribe for the Securities may be made to the public in the Cayman Islands.

Prospective purchasers are hereby notified that a seller of the Securities may be relying on an exemption from the registration requirements of Section 5 of the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Securities Act**”) provided by Section 4(2) of the Securities Act (“**Section 4(2)**”).

In this Offering Memorandum references to “Dollars,” “\$” and “U.S.\$” are dollars or other equivalent units in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for all debts, public and private.

**NO ACTION WAS TAKEN OR IS BEING CONTEMPLATED BY THE CO-ISSUERS THAT WOULD PERMIT A PUBLIC OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES OR POSSESSION OR DISTRIBUTION OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY AMENDMENT THEREOF, OR SUPPLEMENT THERETO OR ANY OTHER OFFERING MATERIAL RELATING TO THE SECURITIES IN ANY JURISDICTION (OTHER THAN IRELAND) WHERE, OR IN ANY OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH, ACTION FOR THOSE PURPOSES IS REQUIRED. NOTHING CONTAINED HEREIN SHALL CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO SELL OR A SOLICITATION OF AN OFFER TO PURCHASE ANY SECURITIES IN ANY JURISDICTION WHERE IT IS UNLAWFUL TO DO SO ABSENT THE TAKING OF SUCH ACTION OR THE AVAILABILITY OF AN EXEMPTION THEREFROM.**

**THIS DOCUMENT IS CONSIDERED AN ADVERTISEMENT FOR PURPOSES OF APPLICABLE MEASURES IMPLEMENTING E.U. DIRECTIVE 2003/71/EC. A PROSPECTUS PREPARED PURSUANT TO THE PROSPECTUS DIRECTIVE WILL BE PUBLISHED, WHICH CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE ISSUER AND THE IRISH PAYING AGENT. SEE “LISTING AND GENERAL INFORMATION.”**

#### **NOTICE TO NEW HAMPSHIRE RESIDENTS**

**NEITHER THE FACT THAT A REGISTRATION STATEMENT OR AN APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE HAS BEEN FILED UNDER CHAPTER 421-B OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE REVISED STATUTES (THE “RSA”) WITH THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE NOR THE FACT THAT A SECURITY IS EFFECTIVELY REGISTERED OR A PERSON IS LICENSED IN THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CONSTITUTES A FINDING BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE THAT ANY DOCUMENT FILED UNDER RSA 421-B IS TRUE, COMPLETE AND NOT MISLEADING. NEITHER ANY SUCH FACT NOR THE FACT THAT AN EXEMPTION OR EXCEPTION IS AVAILABLE FOR A SECURITY OR A TRANSACTION MEANS THAT THE SECRETARY OF STATE HAS PASSED IN ANY**

**WAY UPON THE MERITS OR QUALIFICATIONS OF, OR RECOMMENDED OR GIVEN APPROVAL TO, ANY PERSON, SECURITY, OR TRANSACTION. IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE, OR CAUSE TO BE MADE, TO ANY PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER, CUSTOMER, OR CLIENT ANY REPRESENTATION INCONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PARAGRAPH.**

**NOTICE TO CONNECTICUT RESIDENTS**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE CONNECTICUT SECURITIES LAW. THE SECURITIES ARE SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFERABILITY AND SALE.

**NOTICE TO FLORIDA RESIDENTS**

THE SECURITIES OFFERED HEREBY WILL BE SOLD TO, AND ACQUIRED BY, THE HOLDER IN A TRANSACTION EXEMPT UNDER SECTION 517.061 OF THE FLORIDA SECURITIES ACT ("FSA"). THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER SAID ACT IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA. IN ADDITION, IF SALES ARE MADE TO FIVE OR MORE PERSONS IN FLORIDA, ALL FLORIDA PURCHASERS OTHER THAN EXEMPT INSTITUTIONS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 517.061(7) OF THE FSA SHALL HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF VOIDING THE PURCHASE WITHIN THREE (3) DAYS AFTER THE FIRST TENDER OF CONSIDERATION IS MADE BY SUCH PURCHASER TO THE CO-ISSUERS, AN AGENT OF THE CO-ISSUERS, OR AN ESCROW AGENT.

**NOTICE TO GEORGIA RESIDENTS**

THE SECURITIES HAVE BEEN ISSUED OR SOLD IN RELIANCE ON PARAGRAPH (13) OF CODE SECTION 10-5-9 OF THE GEORGIA SECURITIES ACT OF 1973, AND MAY NOT BE SOLD OR TRANSFERRED EXCEPT IN A TRANSACTION WHICH IS EXEMPT UNDER SUCH ACT OR PURSUANT TO AN EFFECTIVE REGISTRATION UNDER SUCH ACT.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF AUSTRALIA**

NO PROSPECTUS, DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT, OFFERING MATERIAL OR ADVERTISEMENT IN RELATION TO THE SECURITIES HAS BEEN LODGED WITH THE AUSTRALIAN SECURITIES AND INVESTMENTS COMMISSION OR THE AUSTRALIAN STOCK EXCHANGE LIMITED. ACCORDINGLY, A PERSON MAY NOT (A) MAKE, OFFER OR INVITE APPLICATIONS FOR THE ISSUE, SALE OR PURCHASE OF THE SECURITIES WITHIN, TO OR FROM AUSTRALIA (INCLUDING AN OFFER OR INVITATION WHICH IS RECEIVED BY A PERSON IN AUSTRALIA) OR (B) DISTRIBUTE OR PUBLISH THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM OR ANY OTHER PROSPECTUS, DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT, OFFERING MATERIAL OR ADVERTISEMENT RELATING TO THE SECURITIES IN AUSTRALIA, UNLESS (I) THE MINIMUM AGGREGATE CONSIDERATION PAYABLE BY EACH OFFEREE IS THE U.S. DOLLAR EQUIVALENT OF AT LEAST A\$500,000 (DISREGARDING MONEYS LENT BY THE OFFEROR OR ITS ASSOCIATES) OR THE OFFER OTHERWISE DOES NOT REQUIRE DISCLOSURE TO INVESTORS IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 6D.2 OF THE CORPORATIONS ACT 2001 (CWLTH) OF AUSTRALIA; AND (II) SUCH ACTION COMPLIES WITH ALL APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF AUSTRIA**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS NOT A PROSPECTUS UNDER THE AUSTRIAN CAPITAL MARKETS ACT OR THE AUSTRIAN INVESTMENT FUNDS ACT. THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAS NOT BEEN EXAMINED BY A PROSPECTUS AUDITOR AND NO PROSPECTUS ON THE PRIVATE PLACEMENT OF THE SECURITIES HAS BEEN PUBLISHED OR WILL BE PUBLISHED IN AUSTRIA. THE SECURITIES ARE OFFERED IN AUSTRIA ONLY TO A RESTRICTED AND SELECTED NUMBER OF PROFESSIONAL AND SOPHISTICATED INDIVIDUAL INVESTORS, AND NO PUBLIC OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES IN AUSTRIA IS BEING MADE OR IS INTENDED TO BE MADE. THE SECURITIES CAN ONLY BE ACQUIRED FOR A COMMITMENT EXCEEDING €50,000 OR ITS EQUIVALENT VALUE IN ANY FOREIGN CURRENCY.

**NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC OF CAYMAN ISLANDS**

NO INVITATION MAY BE MADE TO THE PUBLIC IN THE CAYMAN ISLANDS TO SUBSCRIBE FOR SECURITIES OF THE ISSUER, AND THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM MAY NOT BE ISSUED OR PASSED TO ANY SUCH PERSON.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AREA**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAS BEEN PREPARED ON THE BASIS THAT ALL OFFERS OF THE SECURITIES WILL BE MADE PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION UNDER THE PROSPECTUS DIRECTIVE, AS IMPLEMENTED IN MEMBER STATES OF THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AREA (THE “EEA”), FROM THE REQUIREMENT TO PRODUCE A PROSPECTUS FOR OFFERS OF THE SECURITIES. ACCORDINGLY ANY PERSON MAKING OR INTENDING TO MAKE ANY OFFER WITHIN THE EEA OF THE SECURITIES SHOULD ONLY DO SO IN CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH NO OBLIGATION ARISES FOR THE CO-ISSUERS OR THE INITIAL PURCHASERS TO PRODUCE A PROSPECTUS FOR SUCH OFFER. NONE OF THE CO-ISSUERS OR THE INITIAL PURCHASERS HAS AUTHORISED, NOR DO THEY AUTHORISE, THE MAKING OF ANY OFFER OF THE SECURITIES THROUGH ANY FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARY, OTHER THAN OFFERS MADE BY THE INITIAL PURCHASERS WHICH CONSTITUTE THE FINAL PLACEMENT OF THE SECURITIES CONTEMPLATED IN THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF FINLAND**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAS BEEN PREPARED FOR PRIVATE INFORMATION PURPOSES OF INTERESTED INVESTORS ONLY. IT MAY NOT BE USED FOR AND SHALL NOT BE DEEMED A PUBLIC OFFERING OF THE SECURITIES. THE FINNISH FINANCIAL SUPERVISION AUTHORITY (RAHOITUSTARKASTUS) HAS NOT APPROVED THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM AND HAS NOT AUTHORIZED ANY OFFERING OF THE SUBSCRIPTION OF THE SECURITIES; ACCORDINGLY, THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD IN FINLAND OR TO RESIDENTS THEREOF EXCEPT AS PERMITTED BY FINNISH LAW. THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS STRICTLY FOR PRIVATE USE BY ITS HOLDER AND MAY NOT BE PASSED ON TO THIRD PARTIES.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF FRANCE**

*CETTE NOTE D'INFORMATION N'A PAS ÉTÉ SOUMISE AU VISA DE LA COMMISSION DES OPÉRATIONS DE BOURSE. PAR CONSÉQUENT NI CETTE NOTE D'INFORMATION, NI TOUT AUTRE DOCUMENT PROMOTIONNEL SE RAPPORTANT AUX INTÉRÊTS NE POURRONT ÊTRE COMMUNIQUÉS AU PUBLIC OU UTILISÉS DANS LE CADRE OFFRE DE SOUSCRIPTION OU DE VENTE DES INTÉRÊTS EN FRANCE ET LES INTÉRÊTS NE PEUVENT ÊTRE ÉMIS, OFFERTS OU CÉDÉS DE TOUTE FAÇON EN FRANCE.*

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM HAS NOT BEEN SUBMITTED TO LA COMMISSION DES OPÉRATIONS DE BOURSE IN FRANCE. ACCORDINGLY, NEITHER THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM NOR ANY OTHER OFFERING MATERIAL RELATING TO THE SECURITIES MAY BE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC OR USED IN CONNECTION WITH ANY OTHER OFFER FOR SUBSCRIPTION OR SALE OF THE SECURITIES IN FRANCE, AND THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE ISSUED, OFFERED OR OTHERWISE SOLD IN FRANCE.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF GERMANY**

THE SECURITIES MAY ONLY BE ACQUIRED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GERMAN WERTPAPIERPROSPEKTGESETZ (SECURITIES PROSPECTUS ACT) AND THE INVESTMENTGESETZ (INVESTMENT ACT). THE SECURITIES ARE NOT REGISTERED OR AUTHORIZED FOR DISTRIBUTION UNDER THE INVESTMENT ACT AND MAY NOT BE, AND ARE NOT BEING OFFERED OR ADVERTISED PUBLICLY OR OFFERED SIMILARLY UNDER THE INVESTMENT ACT OR THE SECURITIES PROSPECTUS ACT. THEREFORE, THIS OFFER IS ONLY BEING MADE TO RECIPIENTS TO WHOM THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS PERSONALLY ADDRESSED AND DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER OR ADVERTISEMENT TO THE PUBLIC. THE SECURITIES CAN ONLY BE ACQUIRED FOR A MINIMUM PURCHASE PRICE OF AT LEAST €50,000 (EXCLUDING COMMISSIONS AND OTHER FEES) PER PERSON. ALL PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS ARE URGED TO SEEK INDEPENDENT TAX ADVICE. NONE OF THE CO-ISSUERS, THE TRUSTEE, THE SERVICER, THE INITIAL PURCHASERS OR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES GIVES ANY TAX ADVICE.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE HONG KONG SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE REGION**

THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD IN HONG KONG, BY MEANS OF ANY DOCUMENT OTHER THAN TO PERSONS WHOSE ORDINARY BUSINESS IT IS TO BUY OR SELL SHARES OR DEBENTURES (WHETHER AS PRINCIPAL OR AGENT) OR IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH DO NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO THE PUBLIC WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE (CAP 32). UNLESS PERMITTED TO DO SO UNDER THE SECURITIES LAWS OF HONG KONG, YOU MAY NOT ISSUE OR HAVE IN YOUR POSSESSION FOR THE PURPOSES OF ISSUE, AND WILL NOT ISSUE, OR HAVE IN YOUR POSSESSION FOR THE PURPOSES OF ISSUE, ANY ADVERTISEMENT, INVITATION OR DOCUMENT RELATING TO THE SECURITIES OTHER THAN WITH RESPECT TO SECURITIES INTENDED TO BE DISPOSED OF TO PERSONS OUTSIDE OF HONG KONG OR TO BE DISPOSED OF IN HONG KONG ONLY TO PERSONS WHOSE BUSINESS INVOLVES THE ACQUISITION, DISPOSAL OR HOLDING OF SECURITIES, WHETHER AS PRINCIPAL OR AGENT OR IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH DO NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO THE PUBLIC.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF ISRAEL**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO ISRAELI RESIDENTS ONLY IN A MANNER THAT WILL NOT CONSTITUTE AN “OFFER TO THE PUBLIC” IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTIONS 15 AND 15A OF THE SECURITIES LAW 1968. SPECIFICALLY, THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM MAY ONLY BE DISTRIBUTED TO INVESTORS OF THE TYPES LISTED IN THE FIRST ADDENDUM OF THE SECURITIES LAW 1968 AND IN ADDITION TO NOT MORE THAN 35 OTHER INVESTORS RESIDENT IN ISRAEL DURING ANY GIVEN 12 MONTH PERIOD.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF ITALY**

THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM MAY NOT BE DISTRIBUTED TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC IN ITALY. THE ITALIAN COMMISSIONE NAZIONALE PER LA SOCIETA E LA BORSA HAS NOT AUTHORIZED ANY OFFERING OF THE SUBSCRIPTION OF THE SECURITIES; ACCORDINGLY, THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD IN ITALY OR TO RESIDENTS THEREOF EXCEPT AS PERMITTED BY ITALIAN LAW.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF JAPAN**

THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE LAW OF JAPAN (THE “SEL”), AND THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN JAPAN OR TO, OR FOR THE BENEFIT OF, ANY RESIDENT OF JAPAN (INCLUDING JAPANESE CORPORATIONS) OR TO OTHERS FOR RE-OFFERING OR RESALE, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN JAPAN OR TO ANY RESIDENT OF JAPAN, EXCEPT THAT THE OFFER AND SALE OF THE SECURITIES IN JAPAN MAY BE MADE ONLY THROUGH A PRIVATE PLACEMENT SALE IN JAPAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN EXEMPTION AVAILABLE UNDER THE SEL AND WITH ALL OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS OF JAPAN. IN THIS CLAUSE, “**A RESIDENT/RESIDENTS OF JAPAN**” SHALL HAVE THE MEANING AS DEFINED UNDER THE FOREIGN EXCHANGE AND FOREIGN TRADE LAW OF JAPAN.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF KOREA**

NEITHER THE ISSUER NOR THE CO-ISSUER IS MAKING ANY REPRESENTATION, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, WITH RESPECT TO THE QUALIFICATION OF THE RECIPIENTS OF THESE MATERIALS FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE SECURITIES UNDER THE LAWS OF KOREA, INCLUDING AND WITHOUT LIMITATION THE FOREIGN EXCHANGE MANAGEMENT LAW AND REGULATIONS THEREUNDER. THE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE LAW OF KOREA AND NONE OF THE SECURITIES MAY BE OFFERED OR SOLD OR DELIVERED, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN KOREA OR TO ANY RESIDENT OF KOREA EXCEPT PURSUANT TO APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS OF KOREA.

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF LUXEMBOURG**

THE SECURITIES SHALL NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD TO THE PUBLIC IN THE GRAND DUCHY OF LUXEMBOURG, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, AND NO ADVERTISEMENT OR DOCUMENT OR OTHER MATERIAL MAY BE DISTRIBUTED OR PUBLISHED IN LUXEMBOURG, UNLESS THE REQUIREMENTS

OF LUXEMBOURG LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC OFFERING OF SECURITIES HAVE FIRST BEEN MET. FURTHERMORE, NEITHER THE ISSUER NOR THE CO-ISSUER QUALIFIES AS AN INVESTMENT FUND UNDER LUXEMBOURG LAW.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF NETHERLANDS**

THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN THE NETHERLANDS EXCEPT TO INDIVIDUALS OR ENTITIES WHO OR WHICH TRADE OR INVEST IN SECURITIES IN THE CONDUCT OF A PROFESSION OR BUSINESS WITHIN THE MEANING OF ARTICLE 1 OF THE EXEMPTION REGULATION OF 9 OCTOBER 1990 ISSUED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 14 OF THE INVESTMENT INSTITUTION SUPERVISION ACT (WET TOEZICHT BELEGGINGSINSTELLINGEN OF 27 JUNE 1990) WHICH INCLUDES BANKS, BROKERS, SECURITIES INSTITUTIONS, INSURANCE COMPANIES, PENSION FUNDS, INVESTMENT INSTITUTIONS, OTHER INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS AND OTHER PARTIES, INCLUDING TREASURY DEPARTMENTS OF COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISES AND FINANCE COMPANIES WHICH ARE REGULARLY ACTIVE IN THE FINANCIAL MARKETS IN A PROFESSIONAL MANNER.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF SINGAPORE**

THE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD, NOR MAY ANY DOCUMENT OR OTHER MATERIAL IN CONNECTION WITH THE SECURITIES BE DISTRIBUTED, EITHER DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, (I) TO PERSONS IN SINGAPORE OTHER THAN UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH SUCH OFFER OR SALE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER OR SALE OF THE SECURITIES TO THE PUBLIC IN SINGAPORE OR (II) TO THE PUBLIC OR ANY MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC IN SINGAPORE OTHER THAN PURSUANT TO AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONDITIONS OF AN EXEMPTION INVOKED UNDER DIVISION 5A OF PART IV OF THE COMPANIES ACT, CHAPTER 50 OF SINGAPORE AND THE PERSONS TO WHOM THE SECURITIES MAY BE OFFERED AND SOLD UNDER SUCH EXEMPTIONS.

#### **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF SPAIN**

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### **AVAILABLE INFORMATION**

To permit compliance with Rule 144A under the Securities Act ("**Rule 144A**") in connection with the sale of the Securities, the Issuer (and, solely in the case of the Senior Notes, the Co-Issuers) under the Indenture referred to under "Description of the Securities" and the Preference Share Documents will be required to furnish upon request of a holder of a Security to such holder and a prospective purchaser designated by such holder the information required to be delivered under Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act if at the time of the request the Co-Issuers are not reporting companies under Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "**Exchange Act**"), or exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act. Such information may be obtained directly from the Issuer or through the paying agent in Ireland at the address set forth on the final page of this Offering Memorandum.

### **INFORMATION AS TO SALE WITHIN THE UNITED STATES**

This Offering Memorandum is highly confidential and has been prepared by the Co-Issuers solely for use in connection with this offering. This Offering Memorandum is personal to each offeree to whom it has been delivered by the Co-Issuers, the Initial Purchasers or Affiliates thereof and does not constitute an offer to any other person or to the public generally to subscribe for or otherwise acquire the Securities. Distribution of this Offering Memorandum to any persons other than the offeree and those persons, if any, retained to advise such offeree with respect thereto is unauthorized and any disclosure of any of its contents, without the prior written consent of the Issuer, is prohibited. Each prospective purchaser in the United States, by accepting delivery of this Offering Memorandum, agrees to the foregoing and to make no copies of this Offering Memorandum or any documents related hereto and, if the offeree does not purchase Securities or the offering is terminated, to return this Offering Memorandum and all documents attached hereto to the Initial Purchasers at 745 Seventh Ave., New York, New York 10019, Attention: CDO Banking.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, each prospective purchaser of the Securities (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) are hereby permitted to disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions described herein. For this purpose, the tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction, and the tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction.

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**SUMMARY OF TERMS**

*The following summary of terms does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by, and should be read in conjunction with, the more detailed information appearing elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum and the documents referred to in this Offering Memorandum. A Glossary and an Index of Defined Terms appear at the back of this Offering Memorandum.*

**Principal Terms of the Securities**

	<b>Class A-1-A Notes</b>	<b>Class A-1-B Notes</b>	<b>Class B Notes</b>	<b>Class C Notes</b>	<b>Class D Notes</b>	<b>Class E Notes</b>	<b>Class I Preference Shares</b>	<b>Class II Preference Shares</b>
<b>Type</b>	Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Extendable	Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable	Extendable	Extendable
<b>Issuer(s)</b>	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Issuer	Issuer	Issuer
<b>Principal Amount / Face Amount (U.S.\$)</b>	\$570,500,000	\$142,500,000	\$80,000,000	\$53,500,000	\$36,000,000	\$37,500,000	\$39,000,000 <sup>1</sup>	\$41,000,000 <sup>1</sup>
<b>Expected Moody's Initial Rating</b>	"Aaa"	"Aaa"	"Aa2"	"A2"	"Baa2"	"Ba2"	N/A	N/A
<b>Expected S&amp;P Initial Rating</b>	"AAA"	"AAA"	"AA"	"A"	"BBB"	"BB"	N/A	N/A
<b>Note Interest Rate</b>	LIBOR + 0.225%	LIBOR + 0.34%	LIBOR + 0.44%	LIBOR + 0.85%	LIBOR + 2.35%	LIBOR + 4.30%	N/A	N/A
<b>Stated Maturity / Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date<sup>2</sup></b>	August 1, 2022	August 1, 2022	August 1, 2022	August 1, 2022	August 1, 2022	August 1, 2022	August 1, 2022	August 1, 2022
<b>Minimum Denominations (U.S.\$) / Number (Integral Multiples)</b>	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	\$250,000 (\$1,000)	N/A	N/A
<b>Priority Class</b>	None	A-1-A <sup>3</sup>	A	A, B	A, B, C	A, B, C, D	A, B, C, D, E	A, B, C, D, E
<b>Junior Class</b>	A-1-B, B, C, D, E, Preference Shares	B, C, D, E, Preference Shares	C, D, E, Preference Shares	D, E, Preference Shares	E, Preference Shares	Preference Shares	None	None
<b>Deferred Interest Notes</b>	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A

<sup>1</sup> The Preference Shares will be issued with a Face Amount of U.S.\$1,000 per share.

<sup>2</sup> The Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares are subject to multiple extensions to the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (in the case of the Notes) and the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (in the case of the Preference Shares), if the Issuer provides timely notice and the Extension Conditions are satisfied. See "Risk Factors—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary," "—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected," "Maturity and Prepayment Considerations" and "Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date."

<sup>3</sup> The Class A-1-A Notes and the Class A-1-B Notes will rank *pari passu* in right of interest payments on each Payment Date, and the Class A-1-A Notes and the Class A-1-B Notes will be allocated principal payments on each Payment Date in accordance with the Class A Allocation.

Westchester CLO, Ltd. (the “**Issuer**”) and Westchester CLO Corp. (the “**Co-Issuer**” and, together with the Issuer, the “**Co-Issuers**”) will issue the Class A-1-A Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2022 (the “**Class A-1-A Notes**”), the Class A-1-B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2022 (the “**Class A-1-B Notes**” and, together with the Class A-1-A Notes, the “**Class A Notes**”), the Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes Due 2022 (the “**Class B Notes**”), the Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2022 (the “**Class C Notes**”), the Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2022 (the “**Class D Notes**” and, together with the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes, the “**Senior Notes**”), and the Issuer will issue the Class E Floating Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes Due 2022 (the “**Class E Notes**” and, together with the Senior Notes, the “**Notes**”), the Class I Preference Shares (the “**Class I Preference Shares**”) and the Class II Preference Shares (the “**Class II Preference Shares**” and, together with the Class I Preference Shares, the “**Preference Shares**” and, together with the Notes, the “**Securities**”), U.S.\$0.01 par value per share.

The Senior Notes will be limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer and non-recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuer. The Class E Notes will be limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer. The Notes will be issued pursuant to an indenture, dated as of May 31, 2007 (the “**Indenture**”), among the Co-Issuers and Investors Bank & Trust Company, as Trustee (the “**Trustee**”).

The Preference Shares will be part of the issued share capital of the Issuer and, accordingly, will not be secured obligations of the Issuer. Investors Bank & Trust Company will act as the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the Preference Shares and will perform various administrative services pursuant to a Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date (the “**Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement**”) by and between the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

The Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares will be identical in respect of rights to distributions except that the Class II Preference Shares (i) are entitled to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments on any Payment Date prior to February 3, 2008 (with respect to any Payment Date after February 3, 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion (or all) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment, subject to the laws

of the Cayman Islands, *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments, *provided* that with respect to the Payment Date in May 2008 such Class II Preference Share Special Payments will, at a minimum, include amounts that would otherwise constitute a portion of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Payment Date in February 2008 through February 3, 2008) and (ii) have total control with respect to the appointment and removal of the directors of the Issuer as long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is higher than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date. See “Description of the Securities—The Issuer Charter—Voting Rights.”

Payments to each Holder of the Notes of each Class shall be made ratably among the Holders of the Notes of that Class in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes of such Class held by each Holder. Payments to each Holder of the Preference Shares shall be made ratably among the Holders of the Preference Shares in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Preference Shares held by each Holder (*provided* that the Class II Preference Share Special Payments shall be paid solely to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares in proportion to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class II Preference Shares held by each Holder).

Except as provided under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments,” the Class A-1-A Notes and Class A-1-B Notes will rank *pari passu* in right of interest payments, and the Class A-1-A Notes and the Class A-1-B Notes will be allocated principal payments in accordance with the Class A Allocation; the Class A Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes, the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares; the Class B Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes, the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares; the Class C Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Class D Notes, the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares; the Class E Notes will be senior in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date to the Preference Shares; and the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares will rank *pari passu* in right of interest and principal payments on each Payment Date except that any payments to the Holders of Class II Preference Shares of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments will have priority to the extent provided under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

The Securities and certain other obligations of the Co-Issuers will have the priorities of payment described under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

**Co-Issuers .....** The Issuer has been incorporated and exists as an exempted limited liability company under the laws of the Cayman Islands. The Issuer’s activities are limited to acquiring Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, entering into any Hedge Agreements, issuing the Securities and entering into certain related transactions. The Issuer has been established as a special purpose vehicle for the purpose of issuing asset-backed securities.

The Co-Issuer is organized as a corporation under the laws of the State of Delaware for the sole purpose of co-issuing the Senior Notes. The Co-Issuer has been established as a special purpose vehicle for the purpose of issuing asset-backed securities.

The Issuer will not have any significant assets other than Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, any Hedge Agreements and certain other eligible assets. The Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, the rights of the Issuer under any Hedge Agreements and other collateral will be pledged to the Trustee as security for, among other things, the Issuer’s obligations under the Notes.

The Co-Issuer is not expected to have any significant assets and will not pledge any assets to secure the Senior Notes.

**Trustee .....** Investors Bank & Trust Company will act as the Trustee under the Indenture on behalf of the Holders of the Notes.

**Servicer .....** Certain servicing and administrative functions with respect to the Collateral will be performed by Highland Capital Management, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership (“**Highland Capital**” or, in such capacity, the “**Servicer**”), pursuant to the Servicing Agreement, which may be amended from time to time without the consent of the Holders of the Securities. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Servicing Agreement” and “The Servicing Agreement.”

On the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$41,000,000 at a discounted purchase price and certain of the Class E Notes having an aggregate principal amount equal to U.S.\$9,500,000 at a discounted purchase price and (ii) Highland Capital or one or more of its Affiliates is expected to purchase certain of the Class I Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$17,000,000 at a discounted purchase price. See “Plan of Distribution.”

The Share Registrar will record in the register maintained by it which Preference Shares are held by HFP or any of its subsidiaries. Such Preference Shares will be designated by the Share Registrar as Class II Preference Shares. Any transfer of Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to any Person other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries will require redesignation by the Share Registrar of such Class II Preference Shares as Class I Preference Shares. Any transfer of Class I Preference Shares to HFP or any of its subsidiaries will require redesignation by the Share Registrar of such Class I Preference Shares as Class II Preference Shares.

The Servicer or its Affiliates may also acquire Securities upon the occurrence of the Amendment Buy-Out Option or in connection with a Refinancing. In addition, the Servicer or its Affiliates may acquire all or any portion of any Extension Sale Securities in connection with a Maturity Extension. See “The Servicer,” “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities,” “—Relating to the Servicer” and “—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer,” “Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out,” “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Redemption by Refinancing,” “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date” and “The Servicing Agreement.”

**Closing Date** ..... May 31, 2007.

**Use of Proceeds** ..... The gross proceeds of the offering of the Securities received on the Closing Date are expected to equal approximately \$1,000,000,000 and will be used by the Issuer to:

- purchase a portfolio of Collateral Obligations;
- fund a trust account for Revolving Loans (the “**Revolving Reserve Account**”) and a trust account for Delayed Drawdown Loans (the “**Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account**”) to cover any future draws on Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans;
- enter into any Hedge Agreements, as applicable;
- enter into any Synthetic Security Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the related accounts);
- repay loans made by the Pre-Closing Parties to finance the Issuer’s pre-closing acquisition of Collateral Obligations;

- fund the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account;
- pay certain expenses related to the transaction; and
- undertake certain related activities.

See “Use of Proceeds.”

**Payment Dates.....** Payment of interest on, and principal of, the Notes will be made by the Issuer in U.S. Dollars on the first day of each February, May, August and November of each year (or if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day), commencing November 1, 2007, to the extent of available cash flow in respect of the Collateral in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

**Hedge Agreements.....** At any time and from time to time on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall enter into the Hedge Agreements and will assign its rights (but none of its obligations) under the Hedge Agreements to the Trustee. See “Hedge Agreements.”

**Interest Payments and  
Distributions from Interest  
Proceeds.....**

The Notes will accrue interest from the Closing Date. Interest on the Notes will be payable, to the extent of funds available therefor, on each Payment Date.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of interest due on such Class of Deferred Interest Notes that is not available to be paid (“**Deferred Interest**”) in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered “payable” for the purposes of the Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for such Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest), until paid. See “Description of the Securities—Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Preference Shares from Interest Proceeds,” “—Priority of Payments” and “—The Indenture—Events of Default.”

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent

legally permitted, to the extent of available Interest Proceeds as described under clauses (22) and (24) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds;” *provided* that, in lieu of payment of such Interest Proceeds, in whole or in part, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, will have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute on any Payment Date Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be distributed on the relevant Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be increased accordingly. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” and “—Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement—Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities.”

In addition, on each Payment Date prior to February 3, 2008, Holders of the Class II Preference Shares are entitled to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments. With respect to any Payment Date after February 3, 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion (or all) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments; *provided* that with respect to the Payment Date in May 2008 such Class II Preference Share Special Payments will, at a minimum, include amounts that would otherwise constitute a portion of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Payment Date in February 2008 through February 3, 2008. Any Class II Preference Share Special Payment will be paid by the Issuer in accordance with the Priority of Payments described under clauses (3), (20) and (23) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”



**Principal Payments and  
Distributions from Principal  
Proceeds.....**

The Notes will mature at par on the Payment Date in August 2022 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date (the “**Stated Maturity**”) and the Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed at the Redemption Price thereof by the Issuer on the Payment Date in August 2022 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (the “**Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**”), in each case unless redeemed or (in the case of the Notes) repaid in full prior thereto. The average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years from issuance until Stated Maturity for such Notes. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary,” “—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected” and “Maturity and Prepayment Considerations.”

In general, principal payments will not be made on the Notes before the end of the Replacement Period, except in the following circumstances:

- in connection with the payment of Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes;
- in connection with an Optional Redemption;
- at the option of the Servicer, to effect a Special Redemption of the Notes;
- in connection with a Refinancing;
- pursuant to a redemption made in connection with a Tax Event; or
- following a mandatory redemption of the Notes caused by a failure to meet any of the Coverage Tests or a Rating Confirmation Failure.

See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments,” “—Optional Redemption,” “—Special Redemption of the Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture,” “Optional Redemption—Redemption by Refinancing,” “—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes” and “Security for the Notes—Ramp-Up.”

Payment of principal on the Class A-1-A Notes and the Class A-1-B Notes will be made in accordance with the Class A Allocation. No payments of principal will be made on the

Class B Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class C Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class D Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes has been paid in full. No payments of principal will be made on the Class E Notes until the principal of the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes has been paid in full (other than with respect to the use of Interest Proceeds to pay principal of the Class E Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class E Coverage Tests). However, Principal Proceeds may be used to pay Deferred Interest and other amounts before the payment of principal of the Notes. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

No principal of any Class of Notes will be payable on any Payment Date other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and to the extent funds are available therefor on that Payment Date for that purpose, except that the principal of each Class of Notes will be payable in full at the Stated Maturity, unless repaid before that.

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares (including, with respect to the Class II Preference Shares, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Principal Proceeds as described under clauses (12)(A), (15) and (16) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

For a description of the relative priority of payments and level of subordination of the Securities and certain fees, expenses and other liabilities of the Co-Issuers, see “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

**Extension of the Replacement  
Period, the Stated Maturity and  
the Scheduled Preference Shares  
Redemption Date .....**

The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Replacement Period to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date up to a maximum of four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension

Effective Date. For purposes of the foregoing, “**Extension Effective Date**” means if an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extension Effective Date (or, in the case of the first Extension Effective Date, the Payment Date in May 2012) and “**Extended Replacement Period End Date**” means, if an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Replacement Period End Date (or, in the case of the first Extension, the Payment Date in August 2018); *provided* that the “Extended Replacement Period End Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in August 2030.

If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date shall automatically be extended to the Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Securities or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents (the “**Maturity Extension**”); *provided* that the Issuer will not be permitted to effect more than four Maturity Extensions. For purposes of the foregoing, “**Extended Stated Maturity Date**” means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Stated Maturity Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Payment Date in August 2026), “**Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**” means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, August 1, 2026) and “**Extended Weighted Average Life Date**” means, if a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Weighted Average Life Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Weighted Average Life Date, August 1, 2021); *provided* that the “Extended Stated Maturity Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in August 2038, the “Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in August 2038 and the “Extended Weighted Average Life Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in August 2033.

As a condition to a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes or Preference Shares will have the right to offer to sell their Notes or Preference Shares to one or more Extension Qualifying Purchasers for purchase on the applicable Extension Effective Date.

If all Extension Conditions are satisfied and a Maturity Extension is effected, each Noteholder, other than Holders of Extension Sale Securities, will be entitled to receive the applicable Extension Bonus Payment, to the extent of available funds and as provided in the Priority of Payments. Holders of Preference Shares will not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary,” “—A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected,” “Maturity and Prepayment Considerations,” and “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date.”

**Security for the Notes .....** The Notes will be secured by a portfolio having an Aggregate Principal Balance following the Ramp-Up Period of approximately U.S.\$981,300,000 (in principal amount) and consisting primarily of Collateral Obligations and certain other debt securities, in each case having the characteristics set forth herein. The Notes will also be secured by funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, the Issuer’s rights under any Hedge Agreements, any Securities Lending Agreements, the Servicing Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement. See “Security for the Notes.”

The Preference Shares are unsecured equity interests in the Issuer.

**Collateral Ramp-Up Period .....** The Issuer expects that, as of the Closing Date, it will have purchased (or entered into commitments to purchase) Collateral Obligations to be included in the anticipated portfolio such that the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator will be at least U.S.\$981,300,000 as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date. The “**Ramp-Up Completion Date**” is the earlier of (i) the Business Day after the 90<sup>th</sup> day after the Closing Date, and (ii) the first day on which the following conditions are satisfied: (x) either (A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least U.S.\$981,300,000 or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer with proceeds from the sale of the Securities (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be) equals at least U.S.\$981,300,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date) and (y) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least

U.S.\$981,300,000.

In anticipation of the issuance of the Securities, one or more Affiliates of the Initial Purchasers (the “**Pre-Closing Parties**”) are financing the acquisition of Collateral Obligations by the Issuer during the Accumulation Period. On the Closing Date, the loans (including accrued interest thereon) made by each applicable Pre-Closing Party will be repaid by the Issuer with proceeds of the offering to the extent not prepaid prior thereto. In exchange for bearing the risk of loss on the Collateral Obligations acquired prior to the Closing Date, the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates will each be entitled to a share of the interest and any fees and commissions (net of any interest and other amounts payable to the Pre-Closing Parties on loans made by them to finance the acquisition of Collateral Obligations) paid by the obligors of such Collateral Obligations or accrued from the time of purchase to the Closing Date, plus a share of the amount by which any realized net gains exceed any realized net losses on Collateral Obligations sold or fully repaid during the Accumulation Period, in each case, in proportion to the percentage of Preference Shares each such party purchases on the Closing Date. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Collateral Obligations—A Substantial Amount of Collateral Obligations Was Acquired Before the Closing Date, and the Terms of the Acquisition May Adversely Affect the Issuer.”

See “Security for the Notes—Ramp-Up.”

**Replacement Period; Acquisition  
of Replacement Collateral  
Obligations .....**

During the Replacement Period, the Issuer may generally (and subject to certain requirements) use Principal Proceeds received with respect to the Collateral to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria (which Eligibility Criteria include requirements that an item of Collateral purchased by the Issuer meet the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and that the portfolio of Collateral Obligations be in compliance with the Concentration Limitations to the extent provided in the Eligibility Criteria). See “—Collateral Obligations,” “—Concentration Limitations” and “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.”

The “**Replacement Period**” will be the period from the Closing Date through and including the first to occur of:

- (i) the Payment Date after the date that the Servicer notifies the Trustee, each Rating Agency and the Administrator, in the sole discretion of the Servicer, that, in light of the composition of the Collateral, general market conditions, and other factors, the acquisition of additional Collateral

Obligations within the foreseeable future would be impractical;

- (ii) the Payment Date in August 2014 or, in the case of an Extension, the Extended Replacement Period End Date;
- (iii) the Payment Date on which all Notes are to be optionally redeemed or an earlier date after notice of an Optional Redemption chosen by the Servicer to facilitate the liquidation of the Collateral for the Optional Redemption; and
- (iv) the date on which the Replacement Period terminates or is terminated as a result of an Event of Default (subject to the terms of the Indenture).

No acquisition of Collateral Obligations will be made after the termination of the Replacement Period, except that (x) Unscheduled Principal Payments and (y) Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations may be used to purchase Collateral Obligations after the Replacement Period subject to the limitations described under “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria” and “—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations.” After the termination of the Replacement Period, all Principal Proceeds (other than Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations) must be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, no acquisition or disposition of a Collateral Obligation or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) shall be effected by or on behalf of the Issuer for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes.

**Collateral Obligations** ..... Any obligation or security (a “**Collateral Obligation**”) that, when the Issuer commits to purchase (or otherwise acquire) the obligation or security, is a Loan, High-Yield Bond, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that is a Loan, a Structured Finance Obligation or High-Yield Bond that is:

- (i) denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars and is not convertible by its obligor into any other currency;
- (ii) an obligation of an obligor Domiciled in an Eligible Country;

- (iii) an obligation that is eligible by its terms to be assigned to the Issuer and pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral;
- (iv) not an exchangeable or convertible security;
- (v) not an equity security or a component of an equity security or a security that has a component that is an equity security (other than for avoidance of doubt, a pass-through trust certificate in a trust holding Collateral Obligations that is rated by a nationally-recognized credit rating agency);
- (vi) not an obligation or security that has been called for redemption and is not an obligation or security that is the subject of an Offer other than a Permitted Offer or an exchange offer in which a security that is not registered under the Securities Act is exchanged for (a) a security that has substantially identical terms (except for transfer restrictions) but is registered under the Securities Act or (b) a security that would otherwise qualify for purchase under the Eligibility Criteria;
- (vii) an obligation that (a) has a Moody's Rating (including any estimated or confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored) and (b) has an S&P Rating (including any confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored), which S&P Rating does not have a "p", "pi", "q", "r" or "t" subscript unless S&P otherwise authorizes in writing;
- (viii) an obligation that is a Finance Lease (if it is a lease) and the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;
- (ix) (a) an obligation that is not a Current-Pay Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation and (b) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that has a Moody's Rating of "Caal" or lower or an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower, an obligation for which the Servicer has certified in writing that such Collateral Obligation is not a Credit Risk Obligation;

- (x) an obligation that (unless it is a High-Yield Bond) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness for borrowed money of the applicable issuer; *provided* that for the avoidance of doubt, this clause shall not prohibit the inclusion as Collateral Obligations of Subordinated Lien Loans or Second Lien Loans;
- (xi) an obligation that (a) (unless it is a PIK Security) bears simple interest payable in cash no less frequently than annually at a fixed or floating rate that is paid on a periodic basis on an unleveraged basis and, in the case of a floating rate, computed on a benchmark interest rate plus or minus a spread, if any (which may vary under the terms of the obligation) and (b) provides for a fixed amount of principal payable in cash according to a fixed schedule (which may include optional call dates) or at maturity (or a fixed notional amount in the case of Synthetic Securities);
- (xii) an obligation the payment or repayment of the principal, if any, of which is not an amount determined by reference to any formula or index or subject to any contingency under the terms thereof;
- (xiii) an obligation the portion of which to be acquired (including through a Synthetic Security with respect to the Reference Obligation) does not represent, directly or indirectly, more than a 25% interest in the obligation;
- (xiv) not an obligation with a maturity later than two years after the Stated Maturity of the Notes;
- (xv) an obligation upon which no payments are subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the obligor thereof or counterparty with respect thereto is required to make “gross-up” payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax on an after-tax basis (other than withholding taxes with respect to commitment fees, facility fees or other similar fees);
- (xvi) not a Loan or Synthetic Security that would require the Issuer after its purchase of the Loan or Synthetic Security to advance any funds to the related borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty or permit the borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty to require that any future advances be made except for:
  - (A) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the Issuer deposits into the Revolving Reserve



Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, respectively, the maximum amount of any advances that may be required of the Issuer under the related Underlying Instrument (as provided in the Indenture); and

- (B) any Synthetic Security if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Synthetic Security, the Issuer posts cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) the Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of any future advances;
- (xvii) if such obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation, such obligation:
  - (A) has been assigned a rating by both Moody's and S&P;
  - (B) has a Moody's Rating of "Ba3" or higher and an S&P Rating of "BB-" or higher; and
  - (C) has not been placed on the watch list for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P;
- (xviii) not a Loan that is an obligation of a debtor in possession or a trustee for a debtor in an insolvency proceeding other than a DIP Loan;
- (xix) with respect to an obligation that provides for the payment of interest at a floating rate, an obligation for which such floating rate is determined by reference to the U.S. Dollar prime rate or other base rate, London interbank offered rate or similar interbank offered rate, commercial deposit rate or any other index that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto;
- (xx) in the case of a Synthetic Security, the Synthetic Security is one for which the counterparty or issuer, as the case may be, has a short-term debt rating by Moody's of at least "P-1" or long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" and, if rated "A3" by Moody's, such rating is not on watch for downgrade, and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "AA-" or a short term debt rating by S&P of at least "A-1+";
- (xxi) not an obligation that constitutes Margin Stock;
- (xxii) not a Zero-Coupon Security;

- (xxiii) not an obligation that is currently deferring interest or paying interest “in kind” or otherwise has an interest “in kind” balance outstanding at the time of purchase, which interest is otherwise payable in cash, unless the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;
- (xxiv) not a security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer;
- (xxv) not an obligation the interest payments of which are scheduled to decrease (although interest payments may decrease due to unscheduled events such as a decrease of the index relating to a Floating Rate Obligation, the change from a default rate of interest to a non-default rate of interest or an improvement in the obligor’s financial condition); and
- (xxvi) not an obligation that will cause the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the pool of assets to be required to be registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act.

Pursuant to the definition of “Synthetic Security,” unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any “deliverable obligation” that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any “credit event” must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such “deliverable obligation” is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any “credit event”) as a Collateral Obligation, except that such “deliverable obligation” may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a “credit event.”

See “Security for the Notes—Collateral Obligations” and “—Eligibility Criteria.”

**Concentration Limitations**..... Upon a purchase of a Collateral Obligation, the Eligibility Criteria require that each of the limits set forth below with respect to a particular type of Relevant Obligation (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) as a percentage of the Maximum Amount (the “**Concentration Limitations**”) is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced:

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(1) Senior Secured Loans and Eligible Investments	≥ 87.5%
(2) unsecured Loans	≤ 3.0%
(3) Subordinated Lien Loans and Second Lien Loans	≤ 10.0%

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(4) Revolving Loans and the unfunded portion of Delayed Drawdown Loans	≤ 12.0%
(5) DIP Loans	≤ 5.0%
(a) except that with a Rating Confirmation, DIP Loans may constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 7.5%
(6) S&P Unrated DIP Loans	≤ 2.5%
(7) PIK Securities	≤ 3.0%
(8) High-Yield Bonds	≤ 7.5%
(9) Structured Finance Obligations	≤ 10.0%
(a) except that Structured Finance Obligations serviced by the Servicer may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 2.5%
(b) except that a single issuer together with any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) of a Structured Finance Obligation may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 3.0%
(c) except that Structured Finance Obligations that are (i) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by other collateralized debt obligations and (ii) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by one or more credit default swaps (i.e., “Synthetic CDOs”) may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column.	≤ 3.0%
(10) Structured Finance Obligations that are collateralized loan obligations	≤ 7.5%
(11) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States and Canada	≤ 20.0%
(12) obligors Domiciled in Canada or any single Moody’s Group I Country	≤ 10.0%
(13) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody’s Group II Country	≤ 5.0%
(14) obligors Domiciled in all Moody’s Group II Countries in the aggregate	≤ 10.0%
(15) obligors Domiciled in any single Moody’s Group III Country	≤ 2.5%
(16) obligors Domiciled in all Moody’s Group III Countries in the aggregate	≤ 5.0%
(17) obligors organized in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction	≤ 5.0%
(18) same S&P Industry Classification	≤ 8.0%
(a) except that Relevant Obligations belonging to two S&P Industry Classifications may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 12.0%
(19) single obligor and any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties)	≤ 1.5%
(a) except that up to each of five individual obligors and any of their Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties and any obligor under a DIP Loan) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 2.5%
(20) Fixed Rate Obligations	≤ 5.0%
(a) except that with a Rating Confirmation from Moody’s, Fixed Rate Obligations may constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column.	≤ 7.5%
(21) Pay interest less frequently than quarterly but no less frequently than semi-annually	≤ 7.5%
(22) Pay interest less frequently than semi-annually but no less frequently than annually	≤ 3.0%
(23) Synthetic Securities	≤ 20.0%

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(a) except that Synthetic Securities that provide for settlement other than by physical delivery may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 5.0%
(b) except that Synthetic Securities that reference a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 5.0%
(24) Participations ( <i>provided</i> that no Relevant Obligations may be a Participation in a Participation)	≤ 20.0%
(25) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, in the aggregate may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 20.0%
(26) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, a single Secondary Risk Counterparty	≤ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under “Individual Counterparty Limit” for applicable rating*
(27) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, all Secondary Risk Counterparties	≤ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under “Aggregate Counterparty Limit” for applicable rating**
(28) Deep Discount Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(29) CCC+/Caa1 and below Collateral Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(30) Long-Dated Collateral Obligations	≤ 2.0%
(31) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements	≤ 15.0%
(32) Collateral Obligations providing for interest at a non-London interbank offered rate (excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, the unfunded amount of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan)	≤ 5.0%
(33) Collateral Obligations that are Loans that are part of a credit facility with a total global aggregate commitment amount of less than \$75,000,000	≤ 10.0%

\* Applicable long-term unsecured rating by Moody’s or S&P of such Secondary Risk Counterparty (using the limit for the lower of such ratings if different).

\*\* Long-term unsecured rating by Moody’s or S&P at or below a level specified in the Secondary Risk Table (using the lower of such ratings for a Secondary Risk Counterparty, if different).

Subject to the rights in certain circumstances of the Servicer to determine otherwise as set out in the Indenture, solely for the purpose of determining whether the Concentration Limitations are met, Eligible Investments and Cash will be treated as Senior Secured Loans and Floating Rate

Obligations.

See “Security For the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.”

### Coverage Tests and the Retention

**Overcollateralization Test**..... The “**Coverage Tests**” will consist of the Overcollateralization Tests and the Interest Coverage Tests. In addition, the Retention Overcollateralization Test, which is not a Coverage Test, will apply as described herein. See “Security For the Notes—The Coverage Tests—The Overcollateralization Tests” and “—The Interest Coverage Tests” for the formulations of these tests, which are highly detailed. The ratios on which they are based are also described under such headings. The tests will be used to determine, among other things, whether (i) Notes will be redeemed in certain circumstances as described under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments” and (ii) in the case of the Coverage Tests, Collateral Obligations may be acquired as described under “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.”

There will not be any Coverage Test applicable to the Preference Shares.

*The Overcollateralization Tests*..... The Overcollateralization Tests will consist of the “**Class A/B Overcollateralization Test**,” the “**Class C Overcollateralization Test**,” the “**Class D Overcollateralization Test**” and the “**Class E Overcollateralization Test**.” Each Overcollateralization Test will be satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes if, as of any Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the specified required level for the specified Class indicated in the table below:

Test	Required Level
Class A/B Overcollateralization Test	112.4%
Class C Overcollateralization Test	106.6%
Class D Overcollateralization Test	106.1%
Class E Overcollateralization Test	102.3%

*The Interest Coverage Tests* ..... The Interest Coverage Tests will consist of the “**Class A/B Interest Coverage Test**,” the “**Class C Interest Coverage Test**,” the “**Class D Interest Coverage Test**” and the “**Class E Interest Coverage Test**.” Each Interest Coverage Test will be satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level specified in the table below for the specified Class:

<b>Test</b>	<b>Required Level</b>
Class A/B Interest Coverage Test	120.0%
Class C Interest Coverage Test	110.0%
Class D Interest Coverage Test	106.0%
Class E Interest Coverage Test	105.0%

*Retention Overcollateralization Test.* A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date during the Replacement Period on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Retention Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 103.3%

**Collateral Quality Tests** ..... The Collateral Quality Tests will be used primarily as criteria for purchasing Collateral Obligations. See “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.” The “**Collateral Quality Tests**” will consist of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Life Test, the Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the S&P CDO Monitor Test, as described below.

*Diversity Test*..... The Diversity Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date, if the Diversity Score equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score.

*S&P CDO Monitor Test*..... The S&P CDO Monitor Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive.

*Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test*..... The Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 7.5%.

*Weighted Average Life Test* ..... The Weighted Average Life Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the greater of (a) the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and August 1, 2017 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date and (b) 3 years.

*Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test* ..... The Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 43.3%.

*Weighted Average Rating Factor Test* ..... The Weighted Average Rating Factor Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date, if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of such Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor.

*Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test* ..... The Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Recovery Rate for each Class of Notes is greater than or equal to: (i) with respect to the Class A Notes, 63.0% (ii) with respect to the Class B Notes, 65.0%; (iv) with respect to the Class C Notes, 67.0%; (v) with respect to the Class D Notes, 69.0%; and (vi) with respect to the Class E Notes, 72.0%.

*Weighted Average Spread Test* ..... The Weighted Average Spread Test will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread.

See "Security for the Notes—The Collateral Quality Tests."

#### **Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

**for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests** ..... If any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the last day of any Due Period (each, a "**Determination Date**"), funds will be used pursuant to the Priority of Payments to redeem the Notes to the extent necessary for such failing Coverage Tests to be satisfied that would otherwise be used:

- (i) to purchase additional Collateral Obligations during the Replacement Period; or
- (ii) to make interest and principal payments on the Notes and to make dividend or redemption payments in respect of the Preference Shares.

See “Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests.”

**Certain Consequences of Failure to Satisfy the Retention**

**Overcollateralization Test.....** If during the Replacement Period, the Retention Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on any Determination Date, certain funds, as described under clause (18) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds,” representing Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be used to make payments on the Preference Shares and pay certain subordinated expenses of the Issuer, will be deposited instead into the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds to the extent necessary to cause the Retention Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as of that Determination Date after application of Principal Proceeds as described under clause (1) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

**Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

**Upon Rating Confirmation Failure.....** No later than five Business Days after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer shall (a) provide certain information to S&P and Moody’s as required by the Indenture and described herein and (b) notify each of the Rating Agencies in writing of the occurrence of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (each, a “**Ramp-Up Notice**”) and request in writing that each of S&P and Moody’s confirm in writing within 25 days of delivery of such Ramp-Up Notice that it has not reduced or withdrawn the ratings (including any private or confidential ratings) assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes; provided, however, that the Issuer shall not be required to request a Rating Confirmation from Moody’s if, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date Moody’s has received an accountants’ certificate confirming (i) the Issuer is in compliance with each of the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests and the Concentration Limitations and (ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owns or has committed to purchase is at least equal to \$981,300,000. If the Issuer is unable to obtain a requested Rating Confirmation from S&P or, if required, Moody’s with respect to any Class of Notes prior to the date 25 days after the delivery of the Ramp-Up Notice, a “**Rating Confirmation Failure**” will be deemed to have occurred and shall thereafter be deemed to be continuing until the first date thereafter on which the Trustee shall have received evidence of confirmation of the Initial Ratings, on which date it shall be deemed to have been cured. If a Ratings Confirmation Failure is continuing, then,



notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, all Interest Proceeds remaining after payment of amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (16) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” will be used to pay principal of the Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes in the Note Payment Sequence on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date thereafter until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. If necessary, after the foregoing payments are made out of Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds in accordance with clause (11) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds” will be used to pay principal of each Class of the Notes sequentially in order of their priority on each Payment Date until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. See “Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure.”

**Non-Call Period .....** The period from the Closing Date to but not including the Payment Date in May 2011 (the “**Non-Call Period**”).

**Optional Redemption .....** Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the applicable Required Redemption Percentage may require the Issuer or Co-Issuers, as applicable, to redeem the Notes, in whole but not in part, from Principal Proceeds and all other funds available for that purpose in the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account in accordance with the optional redemption procedures described under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at their Redemption Price. From and after the Redemption Date the redeemed Notes will cease to bear interest.

The redemption price payable in connection with the Optional Redemption of any Class of Notes will be the sum of:

- (i) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of the Note being redeemed; *plus*
- (ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest); *plus*

(iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note; *plus*

(iv) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

The redemption price payable in connection with the Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares will be (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the entire remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case, as described under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

In addition, any Class of Notes may be redeemed in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period from Refinancing Proceeds obtained from a loan or the issuance of a replacement class of notes, subject to the written consent of a Majority of the Preference Shares (voting as a single class) and to the extent and subject to the restrictions and conditions described herein and set forth in the Indenture.

**Special Redemption .....** The Notes will be subject to redemption in whole or in part by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, on Payment Dates during the Replacement Period if the Servicer elects (subject to the Servicing Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the use of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (a “**Special Redemption**”). On the first Payment Date following the Due Period for which such notice is effective (a “**Special Redemption Date**”), the funds in the Collection Account or the Payment Account representing Principal Proceeds which cannot be used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (the “**Special Redemption Amount**”) will be available to be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments. See “Description of the Securities—Special Redemption of the Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture.”

**Additional Issuance of Preference Shares.....**

At any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the net proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations if the conditions for such additional issuance described under

“Description of the Securities—Additional Issuance of Preference Shares” are met. Any amendment to the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents or any other related documents required to provide for or facilitate such additional issuance of Preference Shares will not require the consent of the Holders of Securities.

**The Offering**..... The Senior Notes are initially being offered (i) in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act (“**Regulation S**”) to non-U.S. Persons in offshore transactions (“**Offshore Transactions**”) as such term is defined in Regulation S and (ii) to purchasers that are U.S. persons (“**U.S. Persons**”) as such term is defined in Regulation S, that are (I) Qualified Institutional Buyers (as defined in Rule 144A) (each, a “**Qualified Institutional Buyer**”) and (II) Qualified Purchasers. Subsequent transferees of the Senior Notes must be (i) non-U.S. Persons that purchase the Senior Notes in Offshore Transactions or (ii)(a) Qualified Institutional Buyers and (b) Qualified Purchasers. The Class E Notes and the Preference Shares are initially offered and may be subsequently transferred only to purchasers that are (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers (or, solely with respect to the initial offering to certain Holders purchasing Class E Notes on the Closing Date, to an institutional Accredited Investor (as defined in clauses (1), (2), (3) or (7) of Rule 501(a) under Regulation D under the Securities Act) (each, an “**Institutional Accredited Investor**”)) and (ii) Qualified Purchasers. See “Plan of Distribution” and “Transfer Restrictions.”

**Form, Registration and Transfer of the Senior Notes**..... Except as provided herein, the Senior Notes sold in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Rule 144A and Qualified Purchasers will be represented by one or more permanent global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons (each, a “**Rule 144A Global Note**”) deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository. The Depository will credit the account of each of its participants with the principal amount of the Senior Notes being purchased by or through the participant. Beneficial interests in a Rule 144A Global Note will be shown on, and transfers thereof will be effected only through, records maintained by the Depository and its direct and indirect participants. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Senior Notes.”

Except as provided herein, the Senior Notes sold in Offshore Transactions to non-U.S. Persons in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by one or more permanent global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons (each, a “**Regulation S Global Note**,” and,

together with the Rule 144A Global Notes, the “**Global Notes**”) which will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear or Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream at any time.

Except in the limited circumstances described herein, certificated Senior Notes will not be issued in exchange for beneficial interests in Global Notes. See “Settlement and Clearing.”

Transfers of interests in the Senior Notes are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Indenture. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Senior Notes” and “Transfer Restrictions.” Each purchaser of Senior Notes in making its purchase will be required to make, or will be deemed to have made, as the case may be, certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements. See “Transfer Restrictions.”

**Form, Registration and Transfers of  
the Class E Notes .....**

The Class E Notes will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Class E Notes in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the “**Certificated Class E Notes**”).

Transfers of the Class E Notes are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Indenture. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Class E Notes” and “Transfer Restrictions.” Each purchaser of Class E Notes in making its purchase will be required to make certain acknowledgments, representations and agreements. See “Transfer Restrictions” for more details.

**Form, Registration and Transfers of  
the Preference Shares.....**

The Preference Shares will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Preference Shares in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the “**Certificated Preference Shares**”).

Transfers of the Preference Shares are subject to certain restrictions and must be made in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Preference Share Documents. See “Description of the Securities—Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Preference Shares” and “Transfer Restrictions.” Each purchaser of Preference Shares in making its purchase will be required to make certain acknowledgments,

representations and agreements. See “Transfer Restrictions” for more details.

**Ratings .....** It is a condition of the issuance of the Securities that each Class of Notes are rated at least as indicated in the table under “—Principal Terms of the Securities” on the Closing Date.

No rating of the Preference Shares has been sought or obtained in connection with the issuance thereof.

Each of the above ratings assumes that no Maturity Extension occurs after the Closing Date.

A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the assigning Rating Agency. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—Future Ratings of the Notes Are Not Assured and Limited in Scope; the Preference Shares are Not Rated.”

**Listing .....** Application is expected to be made to list each Class of the Senior Notes on the regulated market of the ISE. There can be no assurance that such admission will be granted or maintained. See “Listing and General Information.” The issuance and settlement of the Senior Notes on the Closing Date will not be conditioned on the listing of the Senior Notes on the ISE. Furthermore, the Co-Issuers will not be required to maintain a listing on a stock exchange in the European Union if compliance with requirements of the European Commission on a member state becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer. In addition, there is currently no market for the Senior Notes and there can be no assurance that a market will develop.

**Governing Law .....** The terms and conditions of the Preference Shares (as set forth in the Issuer Charter and the Resolutions) will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the Cayman Islands. The Notes, Indenture, any supplemental indenture, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and any Hedge Agreements will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the State of New York.

**Tax Status.....** See “Material Income Tax Considerations.”

**Considerations for Benefit Plans.....** Except as described herein, the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares may not be purchased or held by, or transferred to, any Benefit Plan Investor. See “Considerations for Benefit Plans” and “Transfer Restrictions.”

## **RISK FACTORS**

*An investment in the Securities involves certain risks. Prospective investors should carefully consider the following factors, in addition to the matters set forth elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum, prior to investing in any Class of Securities.*

### **Investor Suitability**

An investment in the Securities will not be appropriate or suitable for all investors. Structured investment products, like the Securities, are complex instruments, and typically involve a high degree of risk and are intended for sale only to sophisticated investors who are capable of understanding and assuming the risks involved. Any investor purchasing Securities should conduct its own investigation and analysis of an investment in the Securities and consult with its own professional advisors as to the risks involved in making such investment.

### **General; Priorities of Securities**

The Issuer intends to acquire securities and other financial assets with certain risk characteristics as provided in the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement. See “Security for the Notes.” There can be no assurance that the Issuer will be successful in achieving its objectives to ensure that investors receive their initial investments under the Securities and that they receive a return (and avoid any losses, including total losses) on their investment in the Securities. Prospective investors are therefore advised to review this entire Offering Memorandum carefully and should consider, among other things, the following risk factors (along with, among other things, the inherent risks of investment activities) before deciding whether to invest in the Securities.

Except as is otherwise stated below, the risk factors are generally applicable to all the Securities, although the degree of risk associated with each Class of Securities may vary. In particular, the priorities of payment of the Notes are generally in the order of their alphabetic designation from the Class A Notes (the highest priority) to the Class E Notes (the lowest priority), the priorities of payment of the Notes are higher than priorities of payment of the Preference Shares except with respect to the amount, if any, required for payment of Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

### **Relating to the Securities**

#### *The Securities Will Have Limited Liquidity*

There is currently no market for the Securities. There can be no assurance that a secondary market for any Class of Securities will develop, or if a secondary market does develop, that it will provide the Holders of the applicable Class of Securities with liquidity of investment or that it will continue for the life of such Class of Securities. In addition, each Class of Securities is subject to certain transfer restrictions and can only be transferred to certain transferees as described under “Transfer Restrictions.” The restrictions on the transfer of the Securities may further limit their liquidity. The Securities are designed for long-term investors and should not be considered a vehicle for short-term trading purposes. Consequently, an investor in the Securities must be prepared to bear the risk of holding such Securities until their Stated Maturity or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. To the extent that any secondary market exists for the Securities in the future, the price (if any) at which Securities may be sold could be at a discount, which in some cases may be substantial, from the principal amount of the Securities. To the extent any market exists for the Securities in the future, significant delays could occur in the actual sale of Securities. In addition, the Securities will not be registered under the Securities Act or any state securities laws, and the Co-Issuers have no plans, and are under no obligation, to register the Securities under the Securities Act. Application is expected to be made to admit each Class of the Senior Notes to the Official List of the ISE. There can be no assurance that any such admission will be granted or maintained.

*The Subordination of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes, the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares Will Affect Their Right to Payment in Relation to the More Senior Securities*

The Class A-1-A Notes and the Class A-1-B Notes will rank *pari passu* in right of payment of interest in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum, and the Class A-1-A Notes and the Class A-1-B Notes will be allocated principal payments in accordance with the Class A Allocation.

The Class B Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class B Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees and expenses) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class B Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

The Class C Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class C Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees and expenses) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class C Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class C Deferred Interest.

The Class D Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class D Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees and expenses) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class D Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class D Deferred Interest.

The Class E Notes are subordinated in right of payment of interest and principal to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the manner and to the extent described in this Offering Memorandum. Payments of interest on the Class E Notes will not be made until due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and certain other amounts (including certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees and expenses) have been paid. No payments of principal of the Class E Notes will be made until principal of and due and unpaid interest on the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full, except in connection with the payment of any Class E Deferred Interest and the use of Interest Proceeds to pay principal of the Class E Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class E Coverage Tests .

No payments will be made out of Interest Proceeds on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments), until due and unpaid interest on the Notes (including any Deferred Interest) and certain amounts (including certain amounts due under the Hedge Agreements, certain servicing fees payable to the Servicer, certain hedging termination payments and certain administrative fees and expenses) have been paid on the Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments. No payments will be made out of Principal Proceeds on the Preference Shares (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) until principal of each Class of Notes and certain other amounts

payable out of Principal Proceeds on each Payment Date have been paid in full. In addition, the Preference Shares will not be redeemed until each Class of Notes and certain other amounts have been paid in full.

In addition, the Co-Issuers will have only nominal equity capitalization. Consequently, to the extent that any losses are suffered by any of the Holders of any Securities, the losses will be borne first by the Holders of the Preference Shares, and then by the Holders of each Class of Notes, sequentially in inverse order of their alphabetic designations.

See “Description of the Securities.”

*Interest Will Be Deferred on Deferred Interest Notes if There Are Insufficient Funds under the Priority of Payments for Payment of Interest*

So long as any Class A Notes or Class B Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class C Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes as Class C Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class C Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds.

So long as any Class A Notes, Class B Notes or Class C Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class D Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes as Class D Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class D Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A Notes, Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds.

So long as any Class A Notes, Class B Notes, Class C Notes or Class D Notes are Outstanding, any interest due and accrued on the Class E Notes that remains unpaid on any Payment Date because insufficient funds are available to pay it in accordance with the Priority of Payments will be added to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class E Notes as Class E Deferred Interest and failure to pay that interest on the Payment Date when it originally became due will not be an Event of Default. Class E Deferred Interest will then be payable on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments, pursuant to which it will remain subordinated to the payment of interest on the Class A Notes, Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the application of Interest Proceeds.

*Interest Proceeds May Be Retained in Priority to any Payments to Holders of Preference Shares*

During the Replacement Period, if the Retention Overcollateralization Test is not met on any Determination Date, a portion of the Interest Proceeds that might otherwise have been paid to the Holders of the Preference Shares on the related Payment Date will instead be deposited into the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds, as described under clause (18) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

*The Controlling Class Will Control Many Rights under the Indenture; However, Some Rights of the Controlling Class to Sell the Collateral in Connection with an Event of Default Are Limited*

Under the Indenture, many rights of the Holders of the Notes will be controlled by a Majority of the Controlling Class. Remedies pursued by the Holders of the Controlling Class upon an Event of Default could be adverse to the interests of the Holders of Securities subordinated to the Controlling Class. After any realization on the Collateral, proceeds will be allocated in accordance with the Priority



of Payments pursuant to which the Notes and certain other amounts owing by the Co-Issuers will be paid in full before any allocation to the Preference Shares (except, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments), and each Class of Notes (along with certain other amounts owing by the Co-Issuers) will be paid sequentially in alphabetic order until it is paid in full before any allocation is made to the next Class of Notes.

The ability of the Controlling Class to direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral is subject to certain limitations. As described under “Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default,” if an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee must retain the Collateral intact and collect all payments in respect of the Collateral and continue making payments in accordance with the Priority of Payments and in accordance with the Indenture unless either (A) the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, determines that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds,” and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination, (B) the Holders of a Super Majority of each of the Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes, Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes direct, subject to the provisions of the Indenture, the sale and liquidation of the Collateral or (C) the Class A/B Overcollateralization Ratio is less than 90% and the Holders of a Majority of the Controlling Class direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral; provided that upon such direction by the Controlling Class, the Trustee shall (x) first sell or liquidate any Collateral for which either (a) two or more bid-side prices have been determined by an Approved Pricing Service or (b) bid-side prices have been obtained from at least two nationally recognized broker-dealers selected by a Majority of the Controlling Class and (y) thereafter shall sell or liquidate such remaining Collateral to the extent such Collateral can be liquidated or sold in accordance with the Indenture and applicable law; provided that any Collateral consisting of equity securities or Defaulted Collateral Obligations shall not be subject to sale or liquidation pursuant to this clause (C). If any Collateral is sold in accordance with clause (C)(x) above and Highland is the Servicer, the Servicer shall have the exclusive right to purchase such Collateral for the first two Business Days from the date the last of such bid-prices was determined by an Approved Pricing Service or obtained from a nationally recognized broker-deal selected by a Majority of the Controlling Class with respect to such Collateral at a price equal to the highest bid-price for such Collateral that was determined by an Approved Pricing Service or obtained from a nationally recognized broker-dealer selected by a Majority of the Controlling Class and, thereafter, the Trustee may sell such Collateral to other parties in accordance with the terms of the Indenture; provided that, in any such case, such sale to the Servicer or to any other party is effected in accordance with applicable law, including all notice and other requirements under the UCC.

*Net Proceeds Less Than Aggregate Amount of the Securities*

It is anticipated that the proceeds received by the Issuer on the Closing Date from the issuance of the Securities, net of certain fees and expenses, will be less than the aggregate principal amount of the Securities. Consequently, it is anticipated that on the Closing Date the Collateral will be insufficient to repay the full principal amount of the Securities in the event an Event of Default were to occur under the Indenture on or shortly after the Closing Date.

In addition, during the lifetime of the transaction, except as described herein, excess interest will be distributed to the Holders of the Preference Shares, rather than being invested in additional Collateral Obligations. Therefore, it is highly likely that after payments of the Notes and the other amounts payable prior to the Preference Shares under the Priority of Payments, Principal Proceeds will be insufficient to return the initial investment made in the Preference Shares. Therefore, Holders of Preference Shares must rely on distributions of excess interest proceeds to achieve their expected return.

*The Issuer is Highly Leveraged, which Increases Risks to Investors*

The Issuer will be substantially leveraged. The use of leverage in acquiring assets is a speculative technique which increases the risk to holders of the Securities, particularly holders of the subordinated Securities. In certain scenarios, the Notes may not be paid in full and the Preference Shares may be subject to up to 100% loss of invested capital. The leverage provided to the Issuer by the issuance of the Securities will result in interest expense and other costs incurred in connection with the borrowings that may not be covered by the net interest income, dividends and other cash flow in respect of the Collateral Obligations. The use of leverage generally magnifies the Issuer's risk of loss, particularly for the more subordinate Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares. The Preference Shares represent the most junior Securities in a highly leveraged capital structure. As a result, any deterioration in performance of the Collateral, including defaults and losses, a reduction of realized yield or other factors, will be borne first by holders of the Preference Shares. In addition, the use of leverage can magnify the effects on the Preference Shares of a deterioration in the performance of the Collateral. In certain circumstances, such as in connection with the exercise of remedies following an Event of Default, the Controlling Class may require the Issuer to dispose of some or all of the Collateral Obligations under unfavorable market conditions, thus causing the Issuer to recognize a loss that might not otherwise have occurred. In certain circumstances, the Controlling Class are entitled to direct the sales of Collateral Obligations and may be expected to do so in their own interest, rather than in the interests of the more subordinate Classes of Securities.

*Each of the Co-Issuers Is Recently Formed, Has No Significant Operating History, Has No Material Assets Other than the Collateral and Is Limited in Its Permitted Activities*

Each of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer is a recently formed entity and has no significant operating history, other than, with respect to the Issuer, in connection with the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations during the period up to the Ramp-Up Completion Date. Accordingly, neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has a performance history for prospective investors to consider. The performance of other CDO vehicles serviced or advised by the Servicer should not be relied upon as an indication or prediction of the performance of the Issuer. Such other CDO vehicles may have significantly different characteristics, including structures, composition of the collateral pool, objectives, management personnel and terms when compared to the Issuer and the Co-Issuer. See "Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—Performance History of the Servicer May Not Be Indicative of Future Results."

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer will have any material assets other than, with respect to the Issuer, the Collateral. The Indenture provides that the Issuer is not permitted to engage in any business activity other than the issuance of the Notes, the Preference Shares and the Issuer Ordinary Shares, the acquisition and disposition of Collateral Obligations, certain activities conducted in connection with the payment of amounts in respect of the Securities and the servicing of the Collateral, and other activities incidental or related to the foregoing and that the Co-Issuer is not permitted to engage in any business activity other than the co-issuance and sale of the Senior Notes, the issuance of its share capital, and other activities incidental or related to the foregoing. Income derived from the Collateral will be the Issuer's principal source of cash.

*The Securities Are Not Registered Under the Securities Act and the Issuer Is Not Registered under the Investment Company Act*

The Issuer has not registered the Securities under the Securities Act and the Issuer is not registered under the Investment Company Act, in each case in reliance upon applicable exemptions to registration under the Securities Act and the Investment Company Act. The Issuer does not expect to register the Securities under the Securities Act nor become registered under the Investment Company Act at any time in the foreseeable future. As such, investors should be aware that the Issuer and the Securities are not subject to many of the regulatory protections and oversight applicable to securities that are registered under the Securities Act or applicable to registered investment companies.

*The Notes May Become Subject to Emerging Requirements of the European Union*

As part of the harmonization of securities markets in Europe, the European Commission has adopted a directive known as the Transparency Directive (which must be implemented by Member States in 2007) that, among other things, imposes continuing financial reporting obligations on issuers that have certain types of securities admitted to trading on an E.U. regulated market. In addition, the Market Abuse Directive harmonizes the rules on insider trading and market manipulation in respect of securities admitted to trading on an E.U. regulated market and requires issuers of such securities to disclose any non public, price sensitive information as soon as possible, subject to certain limited exemptions. The listing of Notes on the Irish Stock Exchange would subject the Issuer to regulation under these directives, although the requirements applicable to the Issuer are not yet fully clarified. Neither the Indenture nor the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement will require the Issuer to maintain a listing for any Class of Securities on an E.U. stock exchange if compliance with these directives (or other requirements adopted by the European Commission or a relevant Member State) becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer.

*The Notes Are Limited Recourse Debt Obligations; Investors Must Rely on Available Collections from the Collateral and Will Have No Other Source for Payment*

The Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer and non-recourse obligations of the Co-Issuer and the Class E Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer. The Securities are payable solely from the Collateral pledged by the Issuer to secure the Notes. None of the security holders, members, officers, directors, partners, or incorporators of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator, the Administrator, the Share Registrar, the Share Trustee, any of their respective affiliates, or any other person will be obligated to make payments on the Notes. The Issuer's ability to make interest payments and principal repayments on the Notes will be constrained by the terms of the Indenture. Holders of the Notes must rely solely on collections received on the Collateral pledged to secure the Notes and for the payment of interest and principal on the Notes, and there can be no assurance that those collections will be sufficient to pay all amounts due on the Notes. If distributions on the Collateral are insufficient to make payments on the Notes, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and, following liquidation of all of the Collateral, the Co-Issuers will not have any obligation to pay any deficiency, which shall be extinguished and shall not revive.

*The Preference Shares are not Secured Obligations; Investors Must Rely on Available Collections from the Collateral and Will Have No Other Source for Payment*

The Preference Shares will be part of the issued share capital of the Issuer. The Preference Shares are equity in the Issuer and are not secured by the Collateral Obligations or other Collateral securing the Notes. As such, the Holders of Preference Shares will rank behind all creditors, whether secured or unsecured and known or unknown, of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the Holders of the Notes and any Hedge Counterparties (other than, to the extent described under the "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments," the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares with respect to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments). Except with respect to the obligations of the Issuer to pay the amounts described under the "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds" and "—Principal Proceeds," the Issuer does not, however, expect to have any creditors though there can be no assurance that this will be the case. In addition, the Issuer is also subject to limitations with respect to the business that it may undertake. See "The Co-Issuers—Business." Payments in respect of the Preference Shares are subject to certain requirements imposed by Cayman Islands law. Any amounts paid by the Preference Shares Paying Agent as dividends on the Preference Shares will be payable only if the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or balance in the Issuer's share premium account. In addition, dividends and the final payment upon redemption of the Preference Shares will be payable only to the extent that the Issuer is and will remain solvent after such dividends or redemption payment is paid. Under Cayman Islands law, a company is generally deemed to be solvent if it is able to pay its debts as they come due.

The Issuer's obligation to pay dividends or to make other distributions to the Holders of the Preference Shares will therefore not be a secured obligation of the Issuer and such Holders will not be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture, nor will the Trustee have any obligation to act on behalf of the Holders of Preference Shares. With the exception of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, Holders of the Preference Shares will only be entitled to receive amounts available for payment of dividends or other distributions after payment of all amounts payable on each Class of Notes and certain other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments and only to the extent of distributable profits of the Issuer and/or any balance in the Issuer's share premium account and (in each case) only to the extent that the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distributions.

To the extent the requirements under Cayman Islands law described in the preceding paragraphs are not met, amounts otherwise payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares (with the exception of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) will be retained in the Preference Shares Distribution Account until, in the case of dividends, the next succeeding Payment Date on which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent such requirements are met and, in the case of any payment on redemption of the Preference Shares, the next succeeding Business Day on which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent such requirements are met. Amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account will not be available to pay amounts due to the Holders of the Notes, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Servicer, any Hedge Counterparty or any other creditor of the Issuer whose claim is limited in recourse to the Collateral. However, amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account may be subject to the claims of creditors of the Issuer that have not contractually limited their recourse to the Collateral. The Indenture and the Preference Share Documents will limit the Issuer's activities to the issuance and sale of the Securities, the acquisition and disposition of the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments and the other activities related to the issuance and sale of the Securities described under the "The Co-Issuers." The Issuer therefore does not expect to have any significant full recourse liabilities that would be payable out of amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

*The Issuer May Distribute Eligible Equity Securities to the Holders of the Preference Shares in Lieu of Cash*

The Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, may direct the Trustee to distribute Eligible Equity Securities, in lieu of a distribution of Interest Proceeds, in whole or in part, to the Holders of the Preference Shares who consent to such distribution with respect to any applicable Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities, determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date, is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be distributed to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares on the relevant Payment Date. The Market Value of any Eligible Equity Securities is subject to fluctuations and may increase or decrease following any distribution of such Eligible Equity Securities to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares, which, in certain circumstances, may result in the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares receiving overall a higher or lower internal rate of return compared with the internal rate of return received by the Holders of the Preference Shares who have not accepted any distribution of the Eligible Equity Securities.

*The Issuer May Not Be Able to Apply Available Funds to Acquire Appropriate Collateral*

The amount of Collateral Obligations purchased on the Closing Date, the amount and timing of the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations before the Ramp-Up Completion Date, and the subsequent application of Principal Proceeds, will affect the cash flows available to make payments on, and the return to the Holders of, the Securities. Reduced liquidity and relatively lower volumes of trading in certain Collateral Obligations, in addition to restrictions on acquisition represented by the Eligibility Criteria, could result in periods during which the Issuer is not able to fully utilize its available cash to acquire Collateral Obligations, and it is unlikely that the Issuer's available cash will be fully applied in Collateral Obligations at any time. The longer the period before application of cash or cash-equivalents to acquire Collateral Obligations and the larger the amount of such cash or cash equivalents, the greater the adverse impact may be on aggregate interest collected and distributed by the Issuer, thereby resulting

in lower yield than could have been obtained if the net proceeds associated with the offering of the Securities and all Principal Proceeds were immediately and fully applied. The associated risk will be borne first by the Holders of the Preference Shares and second by the Holders of the Notes (beginning with the most subordinated Class of Notes). Although the Servicer may mitigate this risk to some degree during the Replacement Period by declaring a Special Redemption, the Servicer is not required to do so, and any Special Redemption may result in a lower yield on the Issuer's assets than could have been obtained if the net proceeds from the offering of the Securities and all Principal Proceeds were immediately and fully applied and no Special Redemption had taken place.

Generally, Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations, and Sale Proceeds received on the Collateral Obligations) will be applied during the Replacement Period (and, Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, may be applied on any date after the Replacement Period, at the discretion of the Servicer) to purchase replacement Collateral Obligations or temporarily held in Eligible Investments pending purchase of replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The earnings with respect to replacement Collateral Obligations will depend, among other factors, on interest rates available in the marketplace at the time and on the availability of Collateral Obligations acceptable to the Servicer that satisfy the criteria under "Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria." The need to satisfy the criteria and identify acceptable Collateral Obligations may require the purchase of replacement Collateral Obligations having lower yields than those initially acquired or require that Principal Proceeds be held temporarily in cash or Eligible Investments, which will reduce the yield earned by the Issuer. Further, issuers of Collateral Obligations may be more likely to exercise any rights they may have to redeem them when interest rates or spreads are declining. Any decrease in the yield on the Collateral Obligations will reduce the amounts available to make payments of principal and interest on the Notes and payments on the Preference Shares.

The Issuer expects that, as of the Closing Date, it will have purchased (or entered into commitments to purchase) an Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations to be included in the anticipated portfolio equal to at least 90% of the Maximum Amount as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date. As such, on the Closing Date, the Issuer is expected to have unapplied proceeds. This will likely reduce the amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be available to distribute to the holders of the Preference Shares, particularly on the first Distribution Date. If the Issuer issues additional Preference Shares after the Closing Date, the Issuer would likely have unapplied proceeds of the offering, pending the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations. The extent to which cash balances remain unapplied will be subject to a variety of factors, including future market conditions and is difficult to predict.

#### *Valuation Information*

Neither the Issuer nor any other party will be required to provide periodic pricing or valuation information to investors.

#### *Changes in Tax Law Could Result in the Imposition of Withholding Taxes with Respect to Payments on the Securities, and the Issuer Will Not Gross-Up Payments to Holders*

Although no withholding tax is currently imposed by the United States or the Cayman Islands on payments on the Securities, there can be no assurance that, as a result of any change in any applicable law, treaty, rule, regulation, or interpretation thereof, the payments with respect to the Securities would not in the future become subject to withholding taxes. If any withholding tax is imposed on payments on any Securities, the Issuer will not "gross up" payments to their Holders.

*The Securities Are Subject to Substantial Transfer Restrictions*

The Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act, under any U.S. state securities or “Blue Sky” laws, or under the securities laws of any other jurisdiction and are being issued and sold in reliance upon exemptions from registration provided by those laws. No Securities may be sold or transferred unless: the sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act (for example, in reliance on exemptions provided by Rule 144A or Regulation S) and applicable state securities laws; and the sale or transfer does not cause either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral to become subject to the registration requirements of the Investment Company Act. See “Transfer Restrictions” and “Considerations for Benefit Plans.”

*Non-Compliance with Restrictions on Ownership of the Securities and Acquisition or Disposition of Collateral Obligations under the Investment Company Act Could Adversely Affect the Issuer*

Neither of the Co-Issuers has registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) as an investment company pursuant to the Investment Company Act in reliance on an exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Section 3(c)(7) for companies organized under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States or any of its states whose investors residing in the United States are solely “qualified purchasers” (within the meaning given to such term in the Investment Company Act and related SEC regulations).

The Issuer and the Co-Issuer may, at any time following the Closing Date, rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7) upon (a) receipt of an opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm providing that neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer is required to register as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on such exclusion under Rule 3a-7 and (b) notice to the Holders of the Securities in accordance with the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. In connection with this alternate reliance, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents may be amended without the consent of any Holders to prevent the Issuer from becoming an “investment company” as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7). See “—The Servicer May Cause the Issuer to Amend the Indenture to Assure Compliance with Rule 3a-7 Without the Consent of the Holders of the Securities in a Manner that May Adversely Affect the Holders of Securities” below.

No opinion or no-action position with respect to the registration of either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral under the Investment Company Act has been requested of, or received from, the SEC. If the SEC or a court of competent jurisdiction were to find that the Issuer or the Co-Issuer is required, but in violation of the Investment Company Act had failed, to register as an investment company, possible consequences include the following: (i) the SEC could apply to a district court to enjoin the violation; (ii) investors in the Issuer or the Co-Issuer could sue the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, and recover any damages caused by the violation; and (iii) any contract to which the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, is party whose performance involves a violation of the Investment Company Act would be unenforceable by any party to the contract unless a court were to find that under the circumstances enforcement would produce a more equitable result than non-enforcement and would not be inconsistent with the purposes of the Investment Company Act.

In addition, the Issuer’s being required to register as an investment company would result in an Event of Default. See “Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Events of Default.” Should the Issuer or the Co-Issuer be subjected to any or all of the foregoing, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, would be materially and adversely affected.

*Restrictions on Acquisition or Disposition of Collateral Obligations May Reduce the Earnings of the Holders of the Securities*

Rule 3a-7 imposes limitations on the ability of the Issuer to purchase or sell assets, including prohibiting the Issuer from purchasing or selling assets for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. The Indenture will restrict the Issuer from purchasing and selling assets consistent with such requirements of Rule 3a-7. Under these restrictions the Issuer may be required to hold a Collateral Obligation or precluded from acquiring a Collateral Obligation when it would have sold such Collateral Obligation or acquired such Collateral Obligation, as applicable, had it based such determination on the market value changes in the value of such Collateral Obligations. As a result, greater losses on the Collateral may be sustained and there may be insufficient proceeds on any Payment Date to pay in full any expenses of the Issuer or any amounts payable to the Trustee or the Administrator (all of which amounts are payable prior to payments in respect of the Notes) and the payments due on the Securities. See “Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations.”

*The Servicer May Cause the Issuer to Amend the Indenture to Assure Compliance with Rule 3a-7 Without the Consent of the Holders of the Securities in a Manner That May Adversely Affect the Holders of Securities*

On the Closing Date, HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries will purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares. The Servicer will act as the manager for HFP. HFP may need to rely on an exception from the definition of “investment company” and the requirement to register under the Investment Company Act that in turn depends upon the Issuer not being an investment company required to register under the Investment Company Act by reason of Rule 3a-7 thereunder in lieu of the Issuer’s reliance on Section 3(c)(7). It is expected that, in connection with certain capital raising activities of HFP, the SEC may consider the applicability of Rule 3a-7 to the Issuer. If it were determined that the Issuer cannot rely on Rule 3a-7, the Servicer may cause the Issuer to amend the Indenture without the consent of the Holders of the Notes and without the consent of the Holders of the Preference Shares to enable the Issuer to rely on Rule 3a-7 or to better assure compliance therewith, which could require additional limitations and prohibitions on the circumstances under which the Issuer may sell assets, on the type of assets that the Issuer may acquire out of the proceeds of assets that mature, are refinanced or otherwise sold, on the period during which such transactions may occur, on the level of transactions that may occur or on other provisions of the Indenture and could adversely affect the earnings of the Issuer and its ability to make payments on the Notes and distributions to the Preference Shares. As a condition to the effectiveness of any such amendment to the Indenture, the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer will receive (i) a Rating Confirmation with respect to such amendment and (ii) a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such amendment and assuming compliance with the Indenture as so amended, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on such exemption under Rule 3a-7. Such nationally recognized law firm may also be acting as counsel to the Servicer, certain Holders of Notes and/or Preference Shares. The interests of any such parties may not align with the interest of other Holders of Notes and/or Preference Shares. See “Description of the Securities—The Indenture—Supplemental Indenture.”

*The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes May Vary*

The Stated Maturity of the Notes is August 1, 2022 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date. The weighted average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years until their Stated Maturity. See “Description of the Securities.” The weighted average life of a Class of Notes will be affected by the amount and timing of payments of principal of the Notes and the amount and timing of payments received on the Collateral Obligations. The amount and timing of payments of principal on the Notes will be affected by, among other things, any Optional Redemption of the Notes, any Refinancing of the Notes, a failure of any Coverage Test, a Rating Confirmation Failure, any failure by the Servicer to apply the proceeds of the offering of the

Securities in Collateral Obligations, a redemption of the Securities made in connection with a Tax Event, any Special Redemption of one or more Classes of Notes, and an Event of Default by the Issuer in the payment of the Notes and an acceleration of the principal of the Notes in connection with an Event of Default. The occurrence of any of the foregoing unscheduled principal repayments of the Notes is, in turn, determined by the amount and timing of payments on the Collateral, which will be dependent on, among other things, the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral and the characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, including the existence and frequency of exercise of any prepayment, optional redemption, or sinking fund features, the prevailing level of interest rates, the redemption price, the actual default rate and the actual level of recoveries on any Defaulted Collateral Obligations, the frequency of tender or exchange offers for the Collateral Obligations and any sales of Collateral Obligations, dividends or other distributions received on any obligations that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange do not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, as well as the risks unique to Collateral Obligations of foreign issuers. A shortening of the average life of the Notes may adversely affect returns on the Preference Shares. See “Security for the Notes.”

The Collateral Obligations actually acquired by the Issuer may be different from those expected to be purchased by the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, due to market conditions, availability of such Collateral Obligations and other factors. The actual portfolio of Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer will change from time to time as a result of sales and purchases of Collateral Obligations.

*A Maturity Extension May Result in a Longer or Shorter Holding Period Than Expected*

Under the Indenture, the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled, on each Extension Effective Date, to extend the Replacement Period (a maximum of four times) to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. Under the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents, if the Replacement Period is so extended, the Stated Maturity of the Notes (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) will be equally extended and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended without the requirement for any approval or consent of any Holders of Securities. Holders of Securities will not be able to prevent or prohibit the extension of the Stated Maturity of the Notes (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) so long as the Extension Conditions are satisfied, which include the ability of Holders of Securities to sell their Securities at the designated purchase price to a designated purchaser under the Indenture. However, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Indenture provides that Holders of Preference Shares that have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% as of the Extension Effective Date will not receive any payment in exchange for their Preference Shares sold in connection with a Maturity Extension.

As a consequence, if the Servicer elects to extend the Replacement Period and the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Holders of the Securities must either hold their Securities for a significantly longer period of time than initially expected or sell their Securities at the applicable purchase price under the Indenture.

*An Amendment Buy-Out May Result in a Shorter Holding Period Than Expected*

Any Non-Consenting Holder of Securities with respect to an amendment of the Indenture (which includes Holders that fail to respond to a consent solicitation within the applicable period) may be forced to sell its applicable Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, resulting in a shorter holding period than expected at the time of investment in the Securities. However, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Indenture provides that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price will be zero for Non-Consenting Holders that have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% as of the Amendment Buy-Out Date. See “Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out.” Given these features, a Holder’s ability to affect



or influence the amendment process through voting against such amendment may be limited, while the Servicer's ability to affect or influence the amendment process may be enhanced.

*The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests*

If any of the Coverage Tests are not satisfied on any Determination Date on which the Notes of the relevant Class are Outstanding, Interest Proceeds available on the related Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments (and, to the extent Interest Proceeds are insufficient, Principal Proceeds available on the Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments) are required to be applied to pay principal of the relevant Class of Notes (and any Classes senior to it) to the extent necessary for the relevant Coverage Test to be satisfied. The application of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to pay principal of the Notes to the extent necessary to restore the Coverage Tests to certain minimum required levels could result in an elimination, deferral or reduction in the amounts available to make distributions on the Preference Shares and interest and principal payments on one or more classes of Notes, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of the Securities.

*The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure*

If a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, Interest Proceeds and, if Interest Proceeds are insufficient, Principal Proceeds, are required to be diverted in accordance with the Priority of Payments and used to pay the principal of the Notes sequentially in order of their relative priority on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date after that until each rating is reinstated. The application of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to pay principal of the Notes to the extent necessary for one or more ratings to be reinstated could result in an elimination, deferral, or reduction in one or more payments or distributions on one or more Classes of Securities, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of those Classes of Securities.

*The Indenture Permits Special Redemption of Notes Based on the Servicer's Inability to Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations*

The Servicer is permitted under the Indenture to elect to have all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations applied to a Special Redemption of the Notes, in whole or in part, on one or more Payment Dates during the Replacement Period because it has been unable, for a period of at least 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional or replacement Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the application of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations. On the Special Redemption Date, in accordance with the Indenture, the Special Redemption Amount will be applied in accordance with "Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds," to the extent available (which includes for this purpose unapplied proceeds specified by the Servicer), to pay the principal of the Notes. The application of funds in that manner could result in an elimination, deferral, or reduction of amounts available to make payments on Securities subordinate in priority to the Securities being amortized. See "Description of the Securities—Special Redemption of Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture."

*The Notes Are Subject to Optional Redemption*

Subject to satisfaction of certain conditions, on any Payment Date upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the applicable Required Redemption Percentage may require that the Notes be redeemed as described under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption." In the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Servicer may be required to aggregate Collateral Obligations to be sold together in one block transaction, thereby possibly resulting in a lower realized value for the Collateral Obligations sold. There can be no assurance that the market value of the Collateral will be sufficient for the applicable Required Redemption Percentage to direct an Optional Redemption of the Notes. A decrease in the market value of the Collateral would adversely

affect the Sale Proceeds from their sale. Consequently, the conditions precedent to the exercise of an Optional Redemption may not be met. Moreover, the Holders of the Notes may not be able to invest the proceeds of the redemption of the Notes in investments providing a return equal to or greater than the return the Holders of the Notes expected to obtain from their investment in the Notes.

*The Notes are Subject to Redemption by Refinancing*

The Indenture provides that any Class of the Notes may be redeemed in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period from Refinancing Proceeds subject to the satisfaction of certain requirements. See “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Redemption by Refinancing.” Accordingly, a more junior Class of Notes may be redeemed from Refinancing Proceeds in whole even if a more senior Class of Notes remains outstanding. Holders of Notes that are refinanced (or otherwise optionally redeemed) may not be able to reinvest the proceeds of such Notes in assets with comparable interest rates or maturity. An optional redemption from Refinancing Proceeds may also result in a shorter investment than a Holder of Notes may have anticipated.

*Future Ratings of the Notes Are Not Assured and Limited in Scope; the Preference Shares Are Not Rated*

It is a condition to the issuance of the Notes that they be rated as provided under “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.” A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and is subject to revision or withdrawal at any time. There is no assurance that a rating will remain for any given period or that a rating will not be lowered or withdrawn entirely by each Rating Agency if in its judgment circumstances in the future so warrant. Any such action could have an adverse effect on the Holders of the relevant Class of Securities. If a rating initially assigned to a Class of Notes is subsequently lowered for any reason, no person is obligated to provide any additional credit support or credit enhancement. The ratings of the Notes are based on the assumption that no Maturity Extension occurs at any time.

No rating of the Preference Shares will be sought or obtained in connection with their issuance.

*The Issuer could be Treated as Engaged in a United States Trade or Business*

Prior to the issuance of the Securities, the Issuer will receive an opinion from Latham & Watkins LLP, special U.S. federal tax counsel to the Issuer (“**Tax Counsel**”), which opinion is based in part on the safe harbor provided by Section 864(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “**Code**”), and the Treasury regulations thereunder applying to transactions involving trading in securities by a foreign corporation for its own account. The opinion will be to the effect that, although no activity closely comparable to that contemplated by the Issuer has been the subject of any Treasury regulation, revenue ruling or judicial decision, and the matter is not free from doubt, assuming compliance with the Issuer’s Memorandum and Articles of Association (the “**Memorandum and Articles**”), the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement, and other related documents by all parties thereto, the Issuer’s permitted activities will not cause it to be treated as engaged in the conduct of a United States trade or business under the Code and, consequently, the Issuer’s profits will not be subject to United States federal income tax on a net income basis (including the branch profits tax). However, in the absence of authority on point, whether the Issuer is or will be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States or not is not entirely free from doubt, and there can be no assurance that positions contrary to those stated in the opinion of Tax Counsel or any other advice or opinion may not be asserted successfully by the Internal Revenue Service. The opinion is based on certain assumptions and on certain representations and agreements regarding restrictions on the future conduct of the activities of the Issuer and the Servicer. Although the Issuer intends to conduct its business in accordance with such assumptions, representations and agreements, if it were nonetheless determined that the Issuer was engaged in a United States trade or business and had taxable income that is effectively connected with such United States trade or business, then the Issuer would be subject under the Code to the regular corporate income tax on such effectively connected taxable income and possibly to the 30% branch profits tax as well. Such taxes would reduce the amounts available to make payments on the Securities. Investors should note that the Treasury and

the Internal Revenue Service recently announced that they are considering taxpayer requests for specific guidance on, among other things, whether a foreign person may be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States by virtue of entering into credit default swaps. However, the Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service have not yet provided any guidance on whether they believe entering into credit default swaps may cause a foreign person to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States and if so, what facts and circumstances must be present for this conclusion to apply. Any future guidance issued by the Treasury and/or the Internal Revenue Service may have an adverse impact on the tax treatment of the Issuer. See discussion under the heading “Material Income Tax Considerations—U.S. Federal Income Taxation of the Issuer—U.S. Federal Income Tax” below. There can be no assurance that, if the Issuer were determined to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States and thus subject to United States federal income taxes (and branch profits taxes), remaining payments on the Collateral would be sufficient to make timely payments of interest on, and payment of principal at the applicable stated maturity of the Notes or distributions on the Preference Shares. In addition, interest paid on the Notes or distributions from Interest Proceeds with respect to the Preference Shares to a holder that is not a U.S. Holder (as defined in “Material Income Tax Considerations—General” below) could in such circumstance be subject to a 30% United States withholding tax.

#### *Benefit Plan Investors*

Certain transactions involving the Co-Issuers in the ordinary course might be deemed to constitute “prohibited transactions” under the United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”), and Section 4975 of the Code with respect to Benefit Plan Investors (as defined in “Considerations for Benefit Plans”) that purchase the Securities, if assets of the Issuer and/or the Co-Issuer were deemed to be “plan assets” subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or Similar Law (as defined in “Considerations for Benefit Plans”). The Issuer intends to restrict ownership of the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares by Benefit Plan Investors so that no assets of the Issuer will be deemed to be “plan assets” of a plan subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code. Specifically, the Issuer, in reliance on purchaser and transferee representations and deemed representations, intends to restrict the acquisition of the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares so that less than 25% of the aggregate outstanding amount of each of the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares will be held by Benefit Plan Investors (determined without regard to those Class E Notes and Preference Shares held by Controlling Persons (as defined in “Considerations for Benefit Plans”), such as the Class E Notes and the Class II Preference Shares held by the Servicer or its affiliates and employees thereof). However, there can be no assurance that the ownership of any of the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares by Benefit Plan Investors will always remain below the 25% threshold established under the Plan Asset Regulation (as defined in “Considerations for Benefit Plans”).

Although the Co-Issuers believe that the Senior Notes should be classified as indebtedness (rather than as equity) for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulation (as defined in “Considerations for Benefit Plans”) (and thus will allow more than 25% of each class of Senior Notes to be purchased by Benefit Plan Investors), there can be no assurance that the Senior Notes will be so characterized, and the characterization of one or more classes of the Senior Notes could change if the financial condition of the Co-Issuers changes or other terms and conditions of the Senior Notes change.

If the Benefit Plan Investor ownership of any of the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares were to meet or exceed the 25% threshold described above, or any class of the Senior Notes were characterized as equity and such threshold were exceeded with respect to such class, resulting in the assets of the Co-Issuers being deemed to be “plan assets,” certain transactions that the Co-Issuers might enter into, or may have entered into, in the ordinary course of business, might constitute non-exempt prohibited transactions under ERISA and/or Section 4975 of the Code and might have to be rescinded. Additionally, the Co-Issuers or other “parties in interest” (as defined in Section 3(14) of ERISA) or “disqualified persons” (as defined in Section 4975(e)(2) of the Code) may be subject to other penalties and liabilities with respect to the transaction.

In addition, the acquisition or holding of the Securities by or on behalf of a plan subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code could give rise to a prohibited transaction if any of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers, other persons providing services in connection with the Co-Issuers, or any of their respective affiliates, is a “party in interest” or “disqualified person” with respect to that plan. The acquisition or holding of Securities by a governmental, foreign or church plan subject to laws substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code could constitute a violation of such similar laws. If such transaction is not exempt from ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code or, if applicable, substantially similar laws pertaining to governmental, foreign or church plans, the transaction may have to be rescinded and the Co-Issuers or other “parties in interest” or “disqualified persons” may be subject to other penalties with respect to the transaction. Therefore, each investor in the Securities will be required or deemed to represent and warrant that either (i) it is not, and is not using the assets of, and throughout the holding and disposition of such Securities will not become or transfer its interest to, a plan subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, or an entity that is deemed to hold assets of any of the foregoing or a governmental, foreign or church plan which is subject to any federal, state, foreign or local law that is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or (ii) its purchase, holding and disposition of such Securities will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law) because such purchase, holding and disposition either (x) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (y) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all of the conditions of which are and will be satisfied upon the acquisition of, and throughout its holding and disposition of such Securities.

Any transfer in violation of the foregoing representations will be treated as having no force and effect and will be null and void *ab initio*, potentially causing loss to the investor purchasing in violation of these representations.

See “Considerations for Benefit Plans” herein for a more detailed discussion of certain ERISA and related considerations with respect to an investment in the Securities by an employee benefit plan or similar plan or arrangement.

### **Relating to the Servicing Agreement**

*The Servicing Agreement May Be Amended Without the Consent of Holders of Securities Whether or Not Such Amendment Adversely Affects Holders of Securities*

The Issuer may, at the request of the Servicer, enter into an amendment or modification of the Servicing Agreement from time to time, without the consent of the Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not the interests of the Holders of the Securities are adversely affected thereby; *provided* that, with respect to any such amendment or modification, (a) the Rating Condition is satisfied and (b) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares have not objected in writing to such amendment or modification by delivering a notice to the Trustee prior to the relevant Objection Cut-Off Date. Holders of the Securities other than Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and Holders of the Preference Shares will have no ability to vote against any such amendment or modification. The ability of the Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and Holders of the Preference Shares to influence the amendment process is limited to the right of a Majority of either such Class to object as described above. To the extent that less than a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares object to the proposed amendment or modification, the Servicer may request that the Issuer enter into such amendment or modification and the Trustee consent thereto, without regard to the fact that certain Holders of the Securities may have objected to such proposed amendment or modification.

## **Relating to the Servicer**

### *The Issuer Will Depend on the Expertise Available to the Servicer and its Key Personnel*

The performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations depends heavily on the skills of the Servicer in analyzing, selecting and monitoring the Collateral Obligations. As a result, the Issuer will be highly dependent on the financial and servicing experience of certain professionals associated with the Servicer, none of whom is under a contractual obligation to the Issuer to continue to be associated with the Servicer for the term of this transaction. The loss of one or more of these individuals could have a material adverse effect on the performance of the Co-Issuers. Furthermore, the Servicer has informed the Issuer that these professionals are also actively involved in other activities and will not be able to devote all of their time to the Issuer's business and affairs. In addition, individuals not currently associated with the Servicer may become associated with the Servicer and the cash-flow performance of the Collateral Obligations may also depend on the financial and servicing experience of such individuals. See "The Servicing Agreement" and "The Servicer."

### *The Issuer Will Have Limited Control of the Administration and Amendment of Collateral Obligations*

The Servicer will cause the Issuer to exercise or enforce, or refrain from exercising or enforcing, its rights in connection with the Collateral Obligations or any related documents or will refuse amendments or waivers of the terms of any Collateral Obligation and related documents in accordance with its ordinary business practices as if the Servicer were administering the Collateral Obligations for its own account. The authority of the Servicer to cause the Issuer to change the terms of the Collateral Obligations will generally not be restricted by the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement. As a result, the Issuer will be relying on the Servicer's customary standards, policies and procedures with respect to the servicing of the Collateral Obligations. The Holders of the Securities and the Issuer will not have any right to compel the Issuer or the Servicer to take or refrain from taking any actions other than in accordance with its ordinary business practices.

In addition, when the Issuer holds a Participation, the Issuer generally will have no right to enforce compliance by the borrower with the loan or credit agreement or other instrument evidencing the related loan obligation, no rights of set-off against the borrower, no direct interest in the collateral supporting the loan obligation, and no right to vote with respect to amendments of, or waivers of defaults under, the loan obligation. An acquisition by the Issuer of a Synthetic Security related to a Loan involves many of the same considerations relevant to Participations. See "—Relating to the Collateral Obligations—Loans Involve Particular Risks" and "—Synthetic Securities Involve Particular Risks" below.

A modification that would increase the commitment of a lender, reduce the interest rate, or postpone the final maturity of an obligation under a participation agreement, or release all of the collateral for an obligation, generally requires the affirmative vote of the Participating Institution for a loan in which the Issuer owns a Participation, or of the Issuer for a Loan purchased by assignment, for the increase, reduction, or postponement to be binding. The exercise of remedies may also be subject to the vote of a specified percentage of the lenders under the loan obligation. The Servicer will have the authority to cause the Issuer to consent to certain amendments, waivers, or modifications to the Collateral Obligations requested by obligors or the lead agents for participation agreements relating to Participations (subject to operating procedures intended to reduce the risk that the Issuer would be deemed to be engaged in a trade or business in the United States for United States federal income tax purposes). The Servicer may, subject to the transaction documents, cause the Issuer to extend or defer the maturity, adjust the outstanding balance of any Collateral Obligation, reduce or forgive interest or fees, release material collateral or guarantees, or otherwise amend, modify, or waive the terms of any related loan agreement, including its payment terms. The Servicer will make determinations in accordance with its servicing standards under the Servicing Agreement. Any amendment, waiver, or modification of a Collateral Obligation could postpone the expected maturity of the Notes or the expected redemption date of the

Preference Shares, or reduce the likelihood of timely and complete payment of interest or principal under the Notes or a full return of an investment in the Preference Shares.

*Performance History of the Servicer May Not Be Indicative of Future Results*

Any prior results of the Servicer, and the persons associated with it or any other entity may not be indicative of the Issuer's future results. The nature of, and risks associated with, the Issuer's future assets may differ substantially from those assets historically associated with the Servicer, and the persons associated with it or any other entity. There can be no assurance that the Issuer's assets will perform as well as the past assets serviced or managed by the Servicer, and the persons associated with it or any other entity. Moreover, since the criteria that govern the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations do not govern the Servicer's activities generally, the acquisition and disposition of Collateral Obligations conducted in accordance with the criteria contained in the Indenture, and the results they yield, may differ substantially from other assets serviced or managed by the Servicer.

Other accounts, collateralized debt obligations or other funds managed or serviced by the Servicer that are similar to the Issuer ("**Other Debt Funds**") have been structured to comply with the exemption from registration under the Investment Company Act provided by Section 3(c)(7) thereunder, whereas the Issuer is also structured to comply with the exemption from registration provided by Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act and may in the future, subject to the conditions described herein, rely exclusively on such exemption from registration provided by Rule 3a-7. Rule 3a-7 requires certain additional limitations and restrictions on the buying and selling of assets of the Issuer that are not applicable to the assets of the Other Debt Funds relying on the Section 3(c)(7) exemption from registration. As a result, the Issuer's ability to react to changes in market value of the assets is more limited and the returns on the Issuer's assets and the Securities, including the returns on the Preference Shares, may not be comparable to, and may differ materially from, the performance of the Other Debt Funds.

Notwithstanding the inapplicability of the results obtained and expected to be obtained from the past activities of the Servicer, a period of increased volatility in market conditions, including interest rate environments, can have an adverse effect on the realized and unrealized returns to investors in the past products of the Servicer. There can be no assurance that current economic conditions and the effects of increased interest rate and corresponding price volatility will not adversely impact the investment returns ultimately realized by investors or continued compliance with, among other things, applicable coverage requirements described in this Offering Memorandum.

**Relating to the Collateral Obligations**

*In General, the Collateral Obligations Are Subject to Various Risks*

The Collateral Obligations are subject to credit, liquidity, and interest rate risks, among others. The Eligibility Criteria and the Collateral Quality Tests have been established to address certain assumed deficiencies in payment occasioned by defaults with respect to the Collateral Obligations. If any deficiencies exceed certain modeled scenarios, however, payments or distributions on the Securities could be adversely affected. To the extent that a default occurs with respect to any Collateral Obligation securing the Notes and the Issuer (on the advice of the Servicer) sells or otherwise disposes of the Collateral Obligation, it is not likely that the proceeds of the sale or other disposition will be equal to the amount of principal and interest owing to the Issuer on the Collateral Obligation.

The value of the Collateral Obligations generally will fluctuate with, among other things, the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral Obligations and, with respect to Synthetic Securities, both the financial condition of the related Synthetic Security counterparties and the obligors on or issuers of the Reference Obligations, general economic conditions, the condition of certain financial markets, political events, developments or trends in any particular industry, and changes in prevailing interest rates.

The ability of the Issuer to sell Collateral Obligations before their maturity is subject to certain restrictions under the Indenture including those described under “Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations.”

*Below Investment-Grade Obligations Involve Particular Risks*

A substantial amount of the Collateral Obligations will consist of loans, bonds and other obligations that are below investment grade, including high-yield loans and securities. Those Collateral Obligations will have greater credit and liquidity risk than investment-grade obligations. They are also often unsecured and may be subordinated to certain other obligations of their issuer. The lower rating of those Collateral Obligations reflects a greater possibility that adverse changes in the financial condition of an issuer or in general economic conditions or both may impair the ability of their issuer to make payments of principal or interest. These Collateral Obligations may be speculative.

Risks of below investment-grade Collateral Obligations may include (among others):

- (i) limited liquidity and secondary market support;
- (ii) in the case of fixed-rate high-yield debt securities, substantial market place volatility resulting from changes in prevailing interest rates;
- (iii) subordination to the prior claims of senior lenders and creditors;
- (iv) the operation of mandatory sinking fund or call and redemption provisions during periods of declining interest rates that could cause the Issuer to apply premature redemption proceeds in lower-yielding debt obligations;
- (v) the possibility that earnings of the below investment-grade issuer may be insufficient to meet its debt service; and
- (vi) the declining creditworthiness and potential for insolvency of a below investment-grade issuer during periods of rising interest rates and economic downturn.

An economic downturn or an increase in interest rates could severely disrupt the market for below investment-grade obligations and could adversely affect the value of outstanding below investment-grade obligations and the ability of their issuers to repay principal and interest.

Issuers that are below investment grade may be highly leveraged and may not have available to them more traditional methods of financing. The risk associated with obligations of below investment-grade issuers is generally greater than is the case with investment-grade issuers. For example, during an economic downturn or a sustained period of rising interest rates, below investment-grade issuers may be more likely to experience financial stress, especially if they are highly leveraged. During those periods, timely service of debt obligations may also be adversely affected by specific issuer developments, or the issuer’s inability to meet specific projected business forecasts or the unavailability of additional financing. The risk of loss from default by the issuer is significantly greater for the holders of below investment-grade obligations because those obligations may be unsecured and may be subordinated to obligations owed to other creditors of the issuer. Further, bankruptcy and similar laws applicable to issuers of the Collateral Obligations may limit the amount of any recovery in respect of a Collateral Obligation if its issuer is insolvent and may also adversely affect the timing of receipt of any recovery to which the Issuer may be entitled. In addition, the Issuer may incur additional expenses to the extent it is required to seek recovery upon a default on such an obligation or participate in its restructuring.

As a result of the limited liquidity of below investment-grade obligations, their prices have at times experienced significant and rapid decline when a substantial number of holders decided to sell. In addition, it may be difficult or impossible for the Issuer to dispose of certain below investment-grade obligations in a timely manner because there may be a thin trading market for them. Even if it is possible to

dispose of such Collateral Obligations, it is unlikely that the proceeds of such disposition would equal the unpaid principal and interest thereof. To the extent that a secondary trading market for below investment-grade obligations does exist, it is generally not as liquid as the secondary market for highly rated obligations. Reduced secondary market liquidity may have an adverse impact on the Issuer's ability to dispose of particular Collateral Obligations in response to a specific economic event, such as a deterioration in the creditworthiness of the issuer of the Collateral Obligation.

All risks associated with the Issuer's purchase of such Collateral Obligations will be borne by the holders of the Securities in reverse order of seniority, beginning with the Preference Shares as the most junior Class.

#### *Limitations of Portfolio Diversification*

The Indenture will require that certain levels of diversification are maintained or improved in connection with purchases of Collateral Obligations. The Collateral Obligations are expected to consist primarily of below investment grade debt obligations. To the extent that below investment grade debt obligations as an asset class generally underperform or experience increased levels of credit losses or market volatility, the Collateral Obligations will likely experience credit losses and losses in connection with sales even with significant issuer and industry diversification. In addition, given the leveraged capital structure of the Issuer, any losses resulting from defaults and/or trading losses will be borne first by the Preference Shares, as the most junior Class. Because the value of the obligations of any single issuer or industry sector will represent a higher percentage of the issuance price, as the case may be, of the Preference Shares (or any other junior Class) than it represents in relation to the aggregate principal amount of the total portfolio, there can be no assurance that the diversification guidelines of the Indenture will be effective in minimizing losses on the junior Classes of Securities, particularly the Preference Shares.

#### *Loans Involve Particular Risks*

The Collateral Obligations will consist primarily of Dollar-denominated senior secured and senior unsecured loans, which are required by the Indenture to be obligations of corporations, partnerships, or other entities organized under the laws of the United States (or any of its states) or of foreign obligors meeting specified criteria, or Synthetic Securities the Reference Obligations of which are such loans. See "Security for the Notes—Collateral Obligations."

Loans may become non-performing for a variety of reasons. Non-performing loans may require substantial workout negotiations or restructuring that may entail, among other things, a substantial reduction in the interest rate or a substantial write-down of the principal of a loan. In addition, because of the unique and customized nature of a loan agreement and the private syndication of a loan, loans typically may not be purchased or sold as easily as publicly traded securities, and historically the trading volume in the bank term loan market has been small relative to the corporate bond market. Loans may encounter trading delays due to their unique and customized nature, and transfers may require the consent of an agent bank or borrower. Consequently, there can be no assurance that there will be any market for any Loan if the Issuer is required to sell or otherwise dispose of such Loan. Depending on the terms of the underlying loan documentation, consent of the borrower may be required for an assignment, and a purported assignee may not have any direct right to enforce compliance by the obligor with the terms of the loan agreement in the absence of this consent.

The Issuer may acquire interests in loans either directly (by assignment) or indirectly (by Participation or through Synthetic Securities). The Issuer may not originate any loans. The purchaser of an assignment of a loan obligation typically succeeds to all the rights and obligations of the Participating Institution and becomes a lender under the loan or credit agreement with respect to the debt obligation. In contrast, a Participation acquired by the Issuer in a portion of a loan obligation held by a Participating Institution or a security or other debt obligation typically results in a contractual relationship only with the Participating Institution, not with the borrower. The Issuer would have the right to receive payments of principal, interest, and any fees to which it is entitled under a Participation only from the Participating



Institution and only upon receipt by the Participating Institution of those payments from the borrower. Participating Institutions commonly reserve the right to administer the Participations sold by them as they see fit (unless their actions constitute gross negligence or willful misconduct) and to amend the documentation evidencing the obligations in all respects. However, most participation agreements provide that the Participating Institutions may not vote in favor of any amendment, modification or waiver that forgives principal, interest or fees, reduces principal, interest or fees that are payable, postpones any payment of principal (whether a scheduled payment or a mandatory prepayment), interest or fees or releases any material guarantee or security without the consent of the participant (at least to the extent the participant would be affected by any such amendment, modification or waiver). Participating Institutions voting in connection with a potential waiver of a restrictive covenant may have interests different from those of the Issuer, and such Participating Institutions might not consider the interests of the Issuer in connection with their votes. In addition, many participation agreements that provide voting rights to the holder of the Participation further provide that if the holder does not vote in favor of amendments, modifications or waivers, the selling lender may repurchase such Participation at par. The Issuer will be subject to restrictions on the amount of Participations that may be acquired for inclusion in the Collateral. See “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria.”

Holders of Participations are subject to additional risks not applicable to a holder of a direct interest in a loan. In the event of the insolvency of the Participating Institution, under the laws of the United States and the various States thereof, a holder of a Participation may be treated as a general creditor of the Participating Institution and may not have any exclusive or senior claim with respect to the Participating Institution’s interest in, or the collateral with respect to, the loan. Consequently, the holder of a Participation will be subject to the credit risk of the Participating Institution as well as of the borrower. Participants also often do not benefit from the collateral (if any) supporting the loans in which they have a participation interest because Participations often do not provide a purchaser with direct rights to enforce compliance by the borrower with the terms of the loan agreement or any rights of set-off against the borrower. The Servicer is not required, and does not expect, to perform independent credit analyses of the Participating Institutions.

Certain of the loans in the Issuer’s portfolio may be unsecured or secured by collateral worth less than the outstanding balance of the loan. In addition to the general risks associated with loans described above, unsecured loans will not be secured by substantial collateral or any collateral and secured loans may be substantially under-secured. Without collateral and with materially inadequate collateral, the ability of the holder of the loan to recover amounts due from the borrower may be substantially limited.

#### *Risks Associated with Applying Proceeds of Dispositions*

The Issuer’s income will decline if and when the Issuer applies the proceeds from matured, prepaid, sold or called Collateral Obligations into lower yielding instruments. A decline in income will affect the amount available for distributions on the Securities. Subject to criteria described herein, the Servicer will have discretion to use Principal Proceeds to purchase Collateral Obligations in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria and other requirements for the acquisition of Collateral Obligations described herein. The yield with respect to such Collateral Obligations will depend on, among other factors, interest rates available at the time, the availability of assets satisfying the Eligibility Criteria and acceptable to the Servicer, and market conditions related to leveraged Loans and high yield bonds in general. The need to satisfy the Eligibility Criteria and other requirements for the acquisition of Collateral Obligations described herein and identify acceptable assets may require the purchase of Collateral Obligations with a lower yield than those replaced, with different characteristics than those replaced (including, but not limited to, coupon, spread, maturity, call features and/or credit quality) or require that such funds be maintained in Eligible Investments pending such replacement of Collateral Obligations, which will further reduce the yield on the Collateral Obligations. Any decrease in the yield on the Collateral Obligations will have the effect of reducing the amounts available to make distributions on the Securities, especially the most junior Class of Securities. There can be no assurance that in the event Collateral Obligations are sold, prepaid, called, or mature, yields on Collateral Obligations that are available and eligible for purchase will be at the same levels as those replaced, that the characteristics of any Collateral

Obligations purchased will be the same as those replaced or as to the timing of the purchase of any such Collateral Obligations.

Leveraged Loans and privately placed high yield bonds are not as easily (or as quickly) purchased or sold as publicly traded securities for a variety of reasons, including confidentiality requirements with respect to obligor information, the customized non-uniform nature of loan agreements and private syndication. The reduced liquidity and lower volume of trading in such debt obligations, in addition to restrictions on purchase represented by the Eligibility Criteria, could result in periods of time during which the Issuer is not able to fully apply its cash to purchase Collateral Obligations. The longer the period before the application of cash to purchase Collateral Obligations, the greater the adverse impact will be on aggregate Interest Proceeds collected and distributed by the Issuer, including on the Securities, especially the most junior Class of Securities, thereby resulting in lower yields than could have been obtained if proceeds were immediately applied. In addition, leveraged Loans are often prepayable by the borrowers with no, or limited, penalty or premium. As a result, leveraged Loans generally prepay more frequently than other corporate obligations of the same borrower. Senior leveraged Loans usually have shorter terms than more junior obligations and often require mandatory repayments from excess cash flow, asset dispositions and offerings of debt and/or equity securities. The increased levels of prepayments and amortization of leveraged Loans increase the associated replacement risk on the Collateral Obligations which risk will first be borne by holders of the Securities, beginning with the Preference Shares as the most junior Class.

#### *Defaults and Market Volatility*

To the extent that a default occurs with respect to any Collateral Obligation and the Issuer sells or otherwise disposes of that Collateral Obligation, it is likely that the proceeds will be less than its unpaid principal, interest or its purchase price. This could have a material adverse effect on the payments on the Securities. The Issuer also may incur additional expenses to the extent it is required to seek recovery after a default or participate in the restructuring of an obligation. Even in the absence of a default with respect to any of the Collateral Obligations, the market value of the Collateral Obligation at any time will vary, and may vary substantially, from the price at which that Collateral Obligation was initially purchased and from the principal amount of such Collateral Obligation, due to market volatility, changes in relative credit quality, general economic conditions, the level of interest rates, changes in exchange rates, the supply of below investment grade debt obligations and other factors that are difficult to predict. In addition, the Indenture places significant restrictions on the Servicer's ability to buy and sell Collateral Obligations which restrictions may be greater if amendments are made to assure compliance with Rule 3a-7. See "—The Servicer May Cause the Issuer to Amend the Indenture to Assure Compliance with Rule 3a-7 Without the Consent of the Holders of the Securities in a Manner that May Adversely Affect the Holders of Securities".

The market price of below investment grade debt obligations may from time to time experience significant volatility. During certain periods, this market has experienced significant volatility with respect to market prices, a significant increase in issues trading at distressed levels, a significant increase in default rates, and a significant decrease in recovery rates. No assurance can be given that volatility in the below investment grade debt market will not continue in the future. Such volatility can adversely impact the liquidity, market prices and other performance characteristics of leveraged Loans and high yield bonds.

#### *Structured Finance Obligations Involve Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of Structured Finance Obligations. Structured Finance Obligations may present risks similar to those of the other types of Collateral Obligations which the Issuer may purchase and, in fact, the risks may be of greater significance in the case of Structured Finance Obligations. Moreover, purchasing Structured Finance Obligations may entail a variety of unique risks. Among other risks, Structured Finance Obligations may be subject to prepayment risk, credit risk, liquidity risk, market risk, structural risk, legal risk and interest rate risk (which may be exacerbated if the interest rate payable on a Structured Finance Obligation changes based on multiples of

changes in interest rates or inversely to changes in interest rates). In addition, certain Structured Finance Obligations (particularly subordinated collateralized bond obligations) may provide that non-payment of interest is not an event of default in certain circumstances and the holders of the securities will therefore not have available to them any associated default remedies. During the period of non-payment, unpaid interest will generally be capitalized and added to the outstanding principal balance of the related security. Furthermore, the performance of a Structured Finance Obligation will be affected by a variety of factors, including its priority in the capital structure of its issuer, the availability of any credit enhancement, the level and timing of payments and recoveries on and the characteristics of the underlying receivables, loans, or other assets that are being securitized, bankruptcy remoteness of those assets from the originator or transferor, the adequacy of and ability to realize on any related collateral, and the skill of the manager or the servicer of the Structured Finance Obligation in managing or servicing securitized assets. The price of a Structured Finance Obligation, if required to be sold, may be subject to certain market and liquidity risks for securities of its type at the time of sale. In addition, Structured Finance Obligations may involve initial and ongoing expenses above the costs associated with the related direct purchases.

#### *Synthetic Securities Involve Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of Synthetic Securities the Reference Obligations of which are Loans, Structured Finance Obligations or High-Yield Bonds. Acquiring these types of assets through the purchase of Synthetic Securities present risks in addition to those inherently associated with direct purchases of such assets. With respect to Synthetic Securities, the Issuer will usually have a contractual relationship only with the counterparty of the Synthetic Security, and not the reference obligor on the Reference Obligation. The Issuer will have no right to enforce compliance by the reference obligor with the Reference Obligation nor any rights of set-off against the reference obligor, nor have any voting or other consensual rights of ownership with respect to the Reference Obligation. The Issuer will not directly benefit from any collateral supporting the Reference Obligation and will not have the benefit of the remedies that would normally be available to a holder of the Reference Obligation.

In addition, in the event of the insolvency of the Synthetic Security Counterparty, the Issuer will be treated as a general creditor of the counterparty and will not have any claim of title with respect to the Reference Obligation. Consequently, the Issuer will be subject to the credit risk of the counterparty as well as that of the reference obligor and concentrations of Synthetic Securities entered into with any one counterparty will subject the Securities to an additional degree of risk with respect to defaults by that counterparty. One or more Affiliates of the Initial Purchasers may act as counterparty with respect to all or a portion of the Synthetic Securities, which relationship may create certain conflicts of interest. See “—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Initial Purchasers” below. In addition, Synthetic Securities may involve initial and ongoing expenses above the costs associated with the related direct acquisitions. The Issuer will be subject to restrictions on the amount of Synthetic Securities it may own at any one time.

#### *Some of the Collateral Obligations Will Be Illiquid*

Some of the Collateral Obligations purchased by the Issuer will have no, or only a limited, trading market. The Issuer’s acquisition of illiquid Collateral Obligations may restrict its ability to dispose of Collateral Obligations in a timely fashion and for a fair price, as well as its ability to take advantage of market opportunities, although the Issuer is generally prohibited by the Indenture from selling Collateral Obligations except under certain limited circumstances described under “Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations.” Illiquid Collateral Obligations may trade at a discount from comparable, more liquid assets. The market for below investment grade debt obligations may become illiquid from time to time as a result of adverse market conditions, regulatory developments or other circumstances. In addition, the Issuer may purchase privately placed Collateral Obligations that may or may not be freely transferable under the laws of the applicable jurisdiction or due to contractual restrictions on resale, and even if those privately placed Collateral Obligations are transferable, the prices realized from their sale could be less than those originally paid by the Issuer or less than what may be considered their fair value.

*Insolvency Considerations With Respect to Issuers of Collateral Obligations May Affect the Issuer's Rights*

Various laws enacted for the protection of creditors may apply to the Collateral Obligations. If, in a lawsuit brought by a creditor or representative of creditors of an obligor under a Collateral Obligation (such as a trustee in bankruptcy), a court were to find that the obligor did not receive fair consideration or reasonably equivalent value for incurring the indebtedness evidenced by the Collateral Obligation and, after giving effect to the indebtedness and the use of the proceeds thereof, the obligor (i) was insolvent, (ii) was engaged in a business for which the remaining assets of the obligor constituted unreasonably small capital or (iii) intended to incur, or believed that it would incur, debts beyond its ability to pay them as they mature, the court could determine to invalidate, in whole or in part, the indebtedness as a fraudulent conveyance, to subordinate the indebtedness to existing or future creditors of the obligor, or to recover amounts previously paid by the obligor in satisfaction of the indebtedness. There can be no assurance as to what standard a court would apply to determine whether the obligor was “insolvent” or that, regardless of the method of valuation, a court would not determine that the obligor was “insolvent,” in each case, after giving effect to the incurrence of the Collateral Obligation and the use of its proceeds. In addition, in the event of the insolvency of an obligor under a Collateral Obligation, payments made on the Collateral Obligation may be subject to avoidance as a “preference” if made within a certain period before insolvency (which may be as long as approximately one year).

In general, if payments on a Collateral Obligation are avoidable, whether as fraudulent conveyances or preferences, the payments can be recaptured either from the initial recipient (such as the Issuer) or from subsequent transferees of the payments (such as the Holders of the Securities). To the extent that any payments are recaptured from the Issuer, the resulting reduction in payments on the Securities will be borne by the Holders of the Securities beginning with the Preference Shares as the most junior Class of Securities. A court in a bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding would be able to direct the recapture of any payment from a Holder of the Securities to the extent that the court has jurisdiction over the Holder or its assets. Since there is no judicial precedent relating to structured securities such as the Securities, there can be no assurance that a Holder of Securities will be able to avoid recapture on this basis.

The preceding discussion is based on principles of United States federal and state laws. Insofar as Collateral Obligations that are obligations of non-United States obligors are concerned, the laws of certain foreign jurisdictions may provide for avoidance remedies under factual circumstances similar to, or broader or narrower than, those described above, with consequences that may or may not be analogous to those described above under United States federal and state laws.

Collateral Obligations consisting of obligations of non-U.S. issuers may be subject to various laws enacted in their home countries for the protection of debtors or creditors, which could adversely affect the Issuer's ability to recover amounts owed. These insolvency considerations will differ depending on the country in which each issuer is located and may differ depending on whether the issuer is a non-sovereign or a sovereign entity.

*International Collateral Obligations Involve Particular Risks*

A portion of the Collateral Obligations may consist of obligations of obligors Domiciled outside the United States. Acquiring assets outside the United States may involve greater risks than acquiring assets in the United States. These risks may include: less publicly available information; varying levels of governmental regulation and supervision; and the difficulty of enforcing legal rights in a foreign jurisdiction and uncertainties as to the status, interpretation and application of laws. Moreover, foreign companies may be subject to accounting, auditing, and financial reporting standards, practices, and requirements different from those applicable to U.S. companies.

There generally is less governmental supervision and regulation of exchanges, brokers and issuers in foreign countries than there is in the United States. For example, there may be no comparable provisions under certain foreign laws with respect to insider trading and similar investor protection securities laws that apply with respect to securities transactions consummated in the United States.

Foreign markets also have different clearance and settlement procedures, and in certain markets there have been times when settlements have failed to keep pace with the volume of securities transactions, making it difficult to conduct transactions. Delays in settlement could result in periods when assets of the Issuer are unapplied and no return is earned on them. The inability of the Issuer to make intended purchases of Collateral Obligations due to settlement problems or the risk of intermediary counterparty failures could cause the Issuer to miss opportunities to acquire Collateral Obligations. The inability to dispose of a Collateral Obligation due to settlement problems could result either in losses to the Issuer due to subsequent declines in the value of the Collateral Obligation or, if the Issuer has entered into a contract to sell the security, could result in possible liability to the purchaser. Transaction costs of buying and selling foreign securities, including brokerage, tax, and custody costs, also are generally higher than those involved in domestic transactions. Furthermore, foreign financial markets, while generally growing in volume, have, for the most part, substantially less volume than U.S. markets, and securities of many foreign companies are less liquid and their prices more volatile than securities of comparable domestic companies.

In certain foreign countries there is the possibility of expropriation, nationalization, or confiscatory taxation; limitations on the convertibility of currency or the removal of securities, property, or other assets of the Issuer; political, economic, or social instability; or adverse diplomatic developments, each of which could have an adverse effect on the Issuer's purchase of Collateral Obligations in the foreign countries (which may make it more difficult to pay Dollar-denominated obligations such as the Collateral Obligations). The economies of individual non-U.S. countries may also differ favorably or unfavorably from the U.S. economy in such respects as growth of gross domestic product, rate of inflation, volatility of currency exchange rates, depreciation, capital reinvestment, resource self-sufficiency and balance of payments position.

*Lender Liability Considerations and Equitable Subordination Can Affect the Issuer's Rights with Respect to Collateral Obligations*

In recent years, a number of judicial decisions in the United States have upheld the right of borrowers to sue lenders and bondholders on the basis of various evolving legal theories (collectively termed "**lender liability**"). Generally, lender liability is founded on the premise that a lender has violated a duty (whether implied or contractual) of good faith and fair dealing owed to the debtor or has assumed a degree of control over the debtor resulting in the creation of a fiduciary duty owed to the debtor or its other creditors or shareholders. Because of the nature of the Collateral Obligations, the Issuer may be subject to allegations of lender liability. In addition, under common law principles that in some cases form the basis for lender liability claims, a court may elect to subordinate the claim of the offending lender to the claims of the disadvantaged creditors, a remedy called "equitable subordination," if a lender: (i) intentionally takes an action that results in the undercapitalization of a borrower to the detriment of other creditors of the borrower; (ii) engages in other inequitable conduct to the detriment of the other creditors; (iii) engages in fraud with respect to, or makes misrepresentations to, the other creditors; or (iv) uses its influence as a lender to dominate or control a borrower to the detriment of other creditors of the borrower.

Because the Collateral Obligations are primarily Loans, the Issuer may be subject to claims from creditors of an obligor that Collateral Obligations issued by the obligor that are held by the Issuer should be equitably subordinated. However, the Servicer does not intend to engage in conduct that would form the basis for a successful cause of action based on lender liability or the equitable subordination doctrine. Nonetheless, no assurances can be given that actions taken in good faith by the Servicer will not result in losses to issuers of Collateral Obligations, and that the Issuer will not be liable for any such losses. Furthermore, the Issuer and the Servicer may be unable to control the conduct of lenders under a loan

syndication agreement requiring less than a unanimous vote, yet the Issuer may be subject to lender liability or equitable subordination for such conduct.

The preceding discussion is based on principles of United States federal and state laws. Insofar as Collateral Obligations that are obligations of non-United States obligors are concerned, the laws of certain foreign jurisdictions may impose liability on lenders or bondholders under factual circumstances similar to, or broader or narrower than, those described above, with consequences that may or may not be analogous to those described above under United States federal and state laws.

*Notes May Be Affected by Interest Rate Risks, Including Mismatches Between the Notes and the Collateral Obligations*

The Notes bear interest at a rate based on LIBOR as determined on the second Business Day prior to the first day of the relevant Interest Period. The Collateral Obligations will consist primarily of obligations that bear interest at floating rates, which floating rates may be different than the floating rates on the Floating Rate Notes. Accordingly, the Notes are subject to interest rate risk to the extent that there is an interest rate mismatch between the rates at which interest accrues on the Notes and the rates at which interest accrues on the Collateral. In addition, there may be a timing mismatch between the Floating Rate Notes and the Floating Rate Obligations as the interest on the Floating Rate Obligations may adjust more or less frequently, on different dates and based on different indices than the interest rates on the Floating Rate Notes. Furthermore, any payments of principal of or interest on Collateral received during a Due Period will (except to a limited extent specified in the Indenture) be held in Eligible Investments maturing not later than the Business Day immediately preceding the next Payment Date. There is no requirement that Eligible Investments bear interest at LIBOR or a similar rate, and the interest rates available for Eligible Investments are inherently uncertain. As a result of these mismatches, an increase or decrease in LIBOR for the relevant maturity could adversely affect the ability of the Issuer to make interest payments on the Notes (including due to a rise or a decline in the value of previously issued Collateral Obligations or other Collateral that bear interest at a fixed rate as LIBOR decreases or increases, as applicable) and to make distributions or final distributions on the Preference Shares. To mitigate a portion of the interest rate mismatch, the Issuer may enter into Hedge Agreements that are (in the case of Hedge Agreements entered into on or after the Closing Date) subject to a Rating Confirmation. However, there can be no assurance that the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, together with the Hedge Agreements, will in all circumstances generate sufficient Interest Proceeds to make timely payments of interest on the Notes. Moreover, the benefits of any Hedge Agreements may not be achieved in the event of the early termination of the Hedge Agreements, including termination upon the failure of the related Hedge Counterparty to perform its obligations under the Hedge Agreement. Although any Hedge Counterparty will be a highly rated institution at the time of entering into the applicable Hedge Agreement, there can be no assurance that it will meet its obligations under the applicable Hedge Agreement. In addition, the actual principal balance of any rate mismatch between the Collateral Obligations and the Notes may not exactly match the notional balance under any Hedge Agreement. All risks associated with any rate or notional balance mismatch will be borne by the holders of the Securities, beginning with the Preference Shares as the most junior Class. See “Security for the Notes—Hedge Agreements.”

The Servicer may direct the Issuer to reduce the notional amount of, or otherwise adjust the terms of, any Hedge Agreement outstanding at any time, subject, in the case of any reduction or adjustment made on or after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, to obtaining a Rating Confirmation.

*Changes in Tax Law Could Result in the Imposition of Withholding Taxes with Respect to Payments on the Collateral Obligations, and the Obligors on the Collateral Obligations will not Gross-Up Payments to the Issuers*

The Issuer expects that payments received on the Hedge Agreements, and generally on the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, will not be subject to withholding taxes imposed by the United States or reduced by withholding taxes imposed by any other country from which such payments are sourced unless the obligor is required to make “gross-up” payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding taxes. However, any lending fees received under a Securities Lending Agreement or

commitment fees or similar fees (including, without limitation, fees on synthetic letters of credit) or other items of income (other than interest) received by the Issuer may be subject to U.S. withholding tax, which would reduce the Issuer's net income from such activities. In the case of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments issued by U.S. obligors after July 18, 1984 that are in registered form, payments thereon generally are exempt under current United States tax law from the imposition of United States withholding tax. See "Material Income Tax Considerations—United States Federal Taxation of the Issuer." However, there can be no assurance that, as a result of any change in any applicable law, treaty, rule or regulation, or any change in practice or interpretation thereof, the payments on the Hedge Agreements, Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments (whether on account of interest or fees or other income) would not in the future become subject to withholding taxes imposed by the United States of America or another jurisdiction. In that event, if the obligors of such Hedge Agreements, Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments were not then required to make "gross-up" payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding taxes, the amounts available to make payments on, or distributions to, the holders of the Notes would and/or Preference Shares accordingly be reduced. There can be no assurance that remaining payments on the Collateral would be sufficient to make timely payments of interest on and payment of principal at the stated maturity of each Class of the Notes or distributions on the Preference Shares.

In the event that any withholding tax is imposed on payments on, or distributions to, the holders of the Securities as a result of any change in any applicable law, treaty, rule or regulation or interpretation thereof, the holders of the Securities will not be entitled to receive "grossed-up" amounts to compensate for such withholding tax.

Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, the Notes shall be redeemable at the applicable Redemption Price, in whole, but not in part, by the Issuer at the written direction of the applicable Required Redemption Percentage, as described under "Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption."

An investment in the Securities involves complex tax issues (particularly in respect of the subordinated Securities), and delays in distributing important tax information may occur. It is expected that tax information from the Issuer may not be received in sufficient time to permit investors to incorporate such information into their annual tax information prior to April 15 of each year. As a result, some investors may be required to obtain extensions for filing federal, state and local income tax returns each year. Investors should consult their own tax advisors before investing in the Securities. See "Material Income Tax Considerations" herein.

*The Issuer Has the Right to Engage in Securities Lending, which Involves Counterparty Risks and Other Risks*

The Collateral Obligations may be loaned for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) that have, or are guaranteed by entities that have, long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or a guarantor with those ratings at the time of the loan, of at least "A1" (and not "A1" but on credit watch with negative implications) and "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A" from S&P. See "Security for the Notes—Securities Lending." The loans must be secured by cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America, in an amount at least equal to 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value of the loaned Collateral Obligations, determined on a daily basis. However, if the borrower of a loaned Collateral Obligation defaults on its obligation to return the loaned Collateral Obligation because of insolvency or otherwise, the Issuer could experience delays and costs in gaining access to the collateral posted by the borrower (and in extreme circumstances could be restricted from selling the collateral). If the borrower defaults, the Issuer could suffer a loss to the extent that the realized value of the cash or securities securing the obligation of the borrower to return a loaned Collateral Obligation (less expenses) is less than the amount required to purchase the Collateral Obligation in the open market. This shortfall could be due to, among other factors, discrepancies between the mark-to-market and actual transaction prices for the loaned Collateral Obligations arising from limited liquidity or availability of the loaned Collateral Obligations and, in extreme circumstances, the loaned Collateral Obligations being unavailable at any price.

The Rating Agencies may downgrade any of the Notes if a borrower of a Collateral Obligation or, if applicable, the entity guaranteeing the performance of the borrower has been downgraded by one of the Rating Agencies such that the Issuer is not in compliance with the Securities Lending Counterparty rating requirements. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Initial Purchasers or Affiliates of the Servicer, which may create certain conflicts of interest. See “—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer” and “—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Initial Purchaser” below.

*A Substantial Amount of Collateral Obligations Was Acquired Before the Closing Date, and the Terms of the Acquisition May Adversely Affect the Issuer*

In anticipation of the issuance of the Securities, one or more Affiliates of the Initial Purchasers (the “**Pre-Closing Parties**”) are financing the acquisition of Collateral Obligations by the Issuer during an accumulation period before the Closing Date (the “**Accumulation Period**”) pursuant to a credit agreement. The loans (including accrued interest thereon) made by the Pre-Closing Parties will be repaid by the Issuer on the Closing Date to the extent not yet prepaid prior thereto. Furthermore, in return for bearing the risk of loss on the Collateral Obligations acquired prior to the Closing Date, the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates will each be entitled to a share of the interest and any fees and commissions (net of any interest and other amounts payable to the Pre-Closing Parties on loans made by them to finance the acquisition of Collateral Obligations) paid by the obligors under such obligations or accrued on such obligations, from the time of purchase through the Closing Date, plus a share of the amount by which any realized net gains exceed any realized net losses on Collateral Obligations sold or fully repaid during the Accumulation Period, in each case, in proportion to the percentage of Preference Shares each such party purchases on the Closing Date. There can be no assurance that the market value of any such Collateral Obligation on the Closing Date will be equal to or greater than the price paid by the Issuer during the Accumulation Period, and any net losses, and, except to the extent described above, net gains, experienced in respect of any such Collateral Obligation during the period in which they were warehoused will be for the Issuer’s account.

**Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest**

*In General, the Transaction Will Involve Various Potential and Actual Conflicts of Interest*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise from the overall servicing, advisory and other activities of the Servicer and its Affiliates and from the conduct by the Initial Purchasers and their respective Affiliates of other transactions with the Issuer, including acting as counterparty with respect to Hedge Agreements, Securities Lending Agreements, and Synthetic Securities. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

*The Holders of the Class II Preference Shares Control Appointment and Removal of Directors of the Issuer*

HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase all of Class II Preference Shares on the Closing Date. Class II Preference Shares will control the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer as long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is higher than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date. The Class I Preference Shares will have no voting rights with respect to the appointment or removal of directors. If the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date does not exceed the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date, the Issuer Ordinary Shares will be entitled to vote with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer. As of the Closing Date, the Class II Preference Shares Outstanding will constitute a Majority of the Preference Shares Outstanding. Any transfer of Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to any Person other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries will require redesignation by the Share Registrar of such Class II Preference Shares as Class I Preference Shares. If at any time, due to such redesignation upon sale of any Class II Preference Shares



by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding is reduced so that it is equal to or lower than the number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding, Class II Preference Shares will automatically become non-voting shares and will no longer be entitled to vote with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer (and, in such case, the directors will be appointed in accordance with the definition of “Board of Directors”).

As long as Class II Preference Shares retain the voting rights with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer, HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries that have purchased such Class II Preference Shares will be able to appoint and remove any of the directors. The directors appointed by HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries may be Affiliates of HFP or the Servicer. No Holders of the Securities will have any right to vote with respect to such appointments and removals of directors of the Issuer other than the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares for as long as Class II Preference Shares retain the voting rights with respect to the appointment and removal of directors of the Issuer.

*The Holders of the Class II Preference Shares May Control or Prevent Removal of the Servicer, Appointment of a Replacement Servicer and Optional Redemption or Refinancing of the Notes*

The Class II Preference Shares to be purchased by HFP or any of its subsidiaries at closing are expected to constitute a Majority of the Preference Shares. As long as HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries hold a Majority of the Preference Shares, HFP and such subsidiaries will hold the controlling vote on any decision to be made under the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement that requires a Majority of the Preference Shares (and does not exclude from voting Preference Shares held by the Servicer or its Affiliates) and will hold a blocking position with respect to any decision that requires a higher percentage of Preference Shares.

Pursuant to the Servicing Agreement, such agreement may be terminated and the Servicer may be removed by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee (acting at the direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes) or by a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding Preference Shares held by the Servicer, any of its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority other than, with respect to the Class II Preference Shares, HFP or any of its subsidiaries; *provided that*, with respect to the voting authority of the Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the “independent directors” (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by any of the “independent directors” of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) (each such non-excluded Preference Share, a “**Voting Preference Share**”), in each case for “cause” upon 10 days’ prior written notice. Further, the Issuer’s ability to appoint a successor servicer is subject to, among other things, the written direction of a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares. As such, if the Class II Preference Shares continue to constitute a Majority of Preference Shares, HFP and any of its subsidiaries that hold Class II Preference Shares will collectively control the ability of the Holders of the Preference Shares to both remove the Servicer for “cause” and appoint the Servicer’s replacement. Since HFP is managed by the Servicer, HFP may have a conflict of interest and may be less likely to exercise these rights than the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares. In such case, should the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares believe that “cause” exists to remove the Servicer, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may prevent their ability to do so.

The Holders of a Majority of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares may give written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Servicer directing an optional redemption of the Notes upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period. After such Notes are retired, the Holders of a Majority or of all of the Preference Shares (depending on the form of redemption) may effect an optional redemption of the Preference Shares. As a result of the foregoing, and so long as they hold a controlling block of Preference Shares, the vote of HFP and/or its applicable subsidiaries will be required to redeem the Securities. As an entity managed by the Servicer, HFP may once again have interests that differ from those of the Class I

Preference Shares. Should the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares seek to redeem the Securities, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may prevent their ability to do so.

In addition, at any time after the Non-Call Period, upon a proposal by the Servicer, the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares may consent to a redemption of any Class of Notes pursuant to a Refinancing. As a result of the foregoing, and so long as they hold a controlling block of Preference Shares, the vote of HFP and/or its applicable subsidiaries will be required for such Refinancing. If the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares seek a redemption of Notes pursuant to Refinancing, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares could prevent their ability to achieve this.

*The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise from the overall activities of the Servicer, its Affiliates and the subsidiaries of HFP. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

On the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares directly from the Issuer at a discounted purchase price and certain of the Class E Notes at a discounted purchase price and (ii) the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates is expected to purchase certain of the Class I Preference Shares at a discounted purchase price. The Initial Purchasers will not be acting as Initial Purchasers with respect to such Class II Preference Shares purchased by HFP or any of HFP's subsidiaries. On the Closing Date, the Servicer will be reimbursed by the Issuer for certain of its expenses incurred in connection with the organization of the Issuer (including legal fees and expenses). In addition, a broker-dealer Affiliate of the Servicer may receive a fee for placing certain of the Securities.

Conflicts of interest may arise for the Servicer with respect to its obligations to the Issuer from the overall activities of the Servicer, its Affiliates and the subsidiaries of HFP, for the accounts of its other clients. For example, the Servicer, its Affiliates and their respective clients and the subsidiaries of HFP may acquire loans, securities, and other obligations that would be appropriate for inclusion in the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations, as well as in loans, securities, and other obligations that are senior to, or have interests different from or adverse to, assets that are pledged to secure the Notes. Furthermore, Affiliates of the Servicer may serve as general partners or managers of special-purpose entities organized to issue other collateralized loan obligations ("CLOs") secured primarily by corporate loans and collateralized debt obligations ("CDOs") secured by corporate debt obligations or asset backed securities. The Servicer and its Affiliates may also have ongoing relationships with, render services to, or engage in transactions with, companies whose loan obligations or securities are pledged to secure the Notes and may now or in the future own (as portfolio assets or otherwise) loan obligations or equity or debt securities issued by issuers of or obligors on, Collateral Obligations or other Collateral. An Affiliate of the Servicer may earn fees with respect to financial advisory services rendered to companies in connection with workouts or the subsequent restructuring of such companies. Such fees and advice may continue for a period of time after any such workout or restructure. The Issuer may own an interest in the securities of such companies. The Servicer will endeavor to resolve conflicts with respect to opportunities in a manner that it deems equitable to the extent possible under the prevailing facts and circumstances.

The Servicer and its Affiliates may possess information relating to issuers of Collateral Obligations or other Collateral that (i) may constrain the Issuer's asset acquisition as a consequence of the Servicer's inability to use such information for asset acquisition purposes or otherwise to take actions that would be in the best of interests of the Issuer or (ii) is not known to the employees of the Servicer responsible for monitoring the Collateral and performing the other obligations of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement. The Servicer, its Affiliates and their respective clients and the subsidiaries of HFP may at certain times be simultaneously seeking to purchase or dispose of assets for the respective accounts of the Issuer, any similar entity for which it serves as manager or advisor, and for its clients or Affiliates.

Neither the Servicer nor any of its Affiliates has any affirmative obligation to offer any assets to the Issuer or to inform the Issuer of any assets before offering any assets to other funds or accounts that the Servicer or any of its Affiliates manage or service. Furthermore, the Servicer may be bound by affirmative obligations in the future, whereby the Servicer is obligated to offer certain assets to funds or accounts that it manages or services before or without the Servicer offering those assets to the Issuer.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Servicer such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Servicer, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the United States Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended (the "**Advisers Act**"). The Servicing Agreement also provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Servicer, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Advisers Act.

The Servicer currently serves as the servicer or portfolio manager for a number of special purpose vehicles that have issued securities secured by or referencing collateral consisting of assets similar to the Collateral Obligations, which may create conflicts in allocating its time and services among the Issuer and the Servicer's other accounts. The Servicer and its Affiliates and the subsidiaries of HFP may own equity or other securities of issuers of or obligors on Collateral Obligations or other Collateral and may have provided and may provide in the future, advisory and other services to issuers of Collateral. In addition, the Servicer and its Affiliates may act as the Securities Lending Counterparty under any Securities Lending Agreement entered into by the Issuer.

The Servicer may resign at any time and may be removed for cause by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee (acting at the direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes) or by a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares. Upon the resignation or removal of the Servicer, the Issuer, at the written direction of a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares, may appoint a replacement servicer if (x) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes held by the Servicer, its Affiliates or any account over which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries; *provided* that, with respect to the voting authority of Notes owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Trustee by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) (each such non-excluded Note, a "**Voting Note**") or (y) a Majority of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single Class) do not object to the replacement servicer. See "The Servicing Agreement." Securities held by the Servicer, its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries) will have no voting rights with respect to any vote in connection with removal of the Servicer for "cause" and appointment of a replacement servicer and will be deemed not to be outstanding in connection with any vote to remove the Servicer for "cause" and to appoint a replacement servicer; *provided* that, with respect to the voting authority of Class II Preference Shares or Notes owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall be determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiary) of HFP or such subsidiary. Except to the extent specified otherwise, Securities held by the Servicer, its Affiliates or any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority at the time of such vote will have voting rights with respect to all other matters as to which the Holders of the Securities are entitled to vote, including any vote to direct an Optional Redemption or a

Refinancing. See “The Servicing Agreement”, “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption” and “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Redemption by Refinancing.”

On the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase Class II Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$41,000,000 at a discounted purchase price and Class E Notes having an aggregate principal amount equal to U.S.\$9,500,000 at a discounted purchase price and (ii) the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates is expected to purchase Class I Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$17,000,000 at a discounted purchase price. In addition, the Servicer or its Affiliates may also acquire Securities upon the occurrence of an Amendment Buy-Out or a Maturity Extension or Notes upon the occurrence of a Refinancing as described herein. To the extent that the interests of the Holders of the Notes differ from the interests of the Holders of the Preference Shares, the holding of Preference Shares by the Servicer or its Affiliates may create additional conflicts of interest.

The Servicer will be entitled to receive the Senior Servicing Fee, the Subordinated Servicing Fee and the Supplemental Servicing Fee, as further described herein. The structure of such fees may cause the Servicer to direct the Issuer to purchase more speculative Collateral Obligations than it would otherwise acquire in the absence of such performance based compensation. See “The Servicing Agreement.”

In addition to acting as Servicer to the Issuer, Highland Capital will act as manager for HFP, which will, on the Closing Date, purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares. Because Highland Capital will receive both a Servicing Fee from the Issuer for servicing the Collateral and a management fee from HFP for managing HFP’s assets, which will include the Class II Preference Shares (and therefore a residual interest in the Collateral), Highland Capital has agreed, in connection with the capital raising of HFP, to waive a portion of its Servicing Fees from the Issuer until and including February 3, 2008 so as not to reduce the income realized by HFP or any of its subsidiaries that hold Class II Preference Shares, as the case may be, in respect of such Class II Preference Shares. Thereafter Highland Capital may at its discretion continue to waive such portion (or all) of its Servicing Fees or may elect to receive such in their entirety. Accordingly, on each Payment Date prior to February 3, 2008, an amount equal to a portion (representing the Class II Preference Share Percentage) of the amounts that would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as a Servicing Fee will instead be payable as a special payment to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Thereafter, the Servicer may elect to continue to waive a portion (or all) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event such amount will be paid by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments; *provided* that with respect to the Payment Date in May 2008 such Class II Preference Share Special Payments will, at a minimum, include amounts that would otherwise constitute a portion (representing the Class II Preference Share Percentage) of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Payment Date in February 2008 through February 3, 2008. The Class II Preference Shares and the Class I Preference Shares will vote together as a single class. Receipt of Servicing Fees in the form of dividends on Class II Preference Shares may cause HFP to have different incentives from the Holders of the Class I Preference Shares.

#### *The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Initial Purchasers*

Various potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise from the overall activities of the Initial Purchasers and their Affiliates. The following briefly summarizes some of these conflicts, but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all such conflicts.

The Initial Purchasers and their Affiliates are involved in a wide range of commercial banking, investment banking and other activities (including investment management, corporate finance and securities issuing, trading and research) from which conflicting interests or duties may arise. Thus, the Initial Purchasers and their Affiliates may have had in the past and may in the future have business relationships and dealings with one or more issuers of the Collateral Obligations and their Affiliates and may own equity or debt securities issued by such issuers or their Affiliates. It is expected that the Initial

Purchasers and/or their Affiliates may have placed or underwritten and may in the future place or underwrite certain of the Collateral Obligations at original issuance, may own or may in the future own equity or other securities of issuers of or obligors on Collateral Obligations or will have provided and may in the future provide investment banking services, advisory, banking and other services to issuers of Collateral Obligations and may have received or may in the future receive compensation for such services. In addition, the Initial Purchasers and their Affiliates may buy securities from and sell securities to an issuer of Collateral Obligations or its Affiliates for its own account or for the accounts of its customers. The Initial Purchasers and their Affiliates may also have provided and in the future may provide commercial or investment banking or other services to the Servicer and its Affiliates.

The Initial Purchasers and their Affiliates may be actively engaged in purchases and sales of the same securities or loans as owned by the Issuer. Such purchases and sales may be on terms different from those made on behalf of the Issuer. Subject to applicable law, either of the Initial Purchasers or any of their respective Affiliates, as a principal or through one of the investment funds that it manages, may purchase or sell the securities of, or otherwise invest in or finance or provide investment banking, advisory and other services to, companies in which the Issuer has an interest or to the Servicer, including one or more of the issuers of Collateral Obligations and one or more of such issuers may be or may become controlled by such Initial Purchaser or its Affiliates. The Initial Purchasers and their Affiliates may, or may in the future, also have a proprietary interest in, and may manage, or advise or provide services to other accounts or investment funds that have investment objectives similar or dissimilar to those of the Issuer and/or which engage in transactions in, the same types of securities as the Issuer. As a result, the Initial Purchasers and their Affiliates may, or may in the future, possess information relating to obligors on or issuers of Collateral Obligations which is not known to the Servicer or the Issuer. Neither of the Initial Purchasers and none of their Affiliates are under any obligation to share any investment opportunity, idea or strategy with the Servicer or the Issuer or to utilize for the Issuer's benefit any non-public information acquired by it or any of its Affiliates in the course of providing services to any other person, engaging in any transaction (on its own account or otherwise) or otherwise carrying on its business. As a result, the Initial Purchasers and their Affiliates may, or may in the future, compete with the Issuer for appropriate securities or loans to purchase and will be under no duty or obligation to share such opportunities with the Issuer. The Initial Purchasers or their Affiliates may act as a placement agent and/or initial purchaser in other transactions involving issues of collateralized debt obligations and other similar portfolios managed by other investment managers, and may provide financing for the accumulation of leveraged loans and high yield bonds as collateral for such transactions. The Initial Purchasers are not obligated to make any particular securities or loans available to the Issuer or the Servicer, and may allocate such securities or loans among its various customer relationships, including the Issuer and the Servicer. Such activities may have an adverse effect on the availability of Collateral for the Issuer.

The Issuer also may invest in the securities of companies affiliated with the Initial Purchasers or in which the Initial Purchasers have an equity or participation interest. The purchase, holding and sale of such securities by the Issuer may enhance the profitability of the Initial Purchasers' investments in such companies.

The Initial Purchasers and their Affiliates may buy Securities for their own account or for repackaging purposes or enter into transactions related or linked to the Securities. If either Initial Purchaser holds any Securities, it will have no obligation to exercise any Voting Rights associated with such Securities in any manner and, at any applicable time, may exercise such voting rights in a manner adverse to some or all of the other holders of the Securities. The Initial Purchasers or their Affiliates may also provide financing to the Servicer or its Affiliates in connection with their purchase of certain Class E Notes and Class II Preference Shares which will be secured by a lien on such financed Class E Notes and Class II Preference Shares.

The Issuer's purchase of Collateral Obligations prior to the Closing Date was financed through loans from the Pre-Closing Parties. A portion of the proceeds from the offering of the Securities will be paid to the Pre-Closing Parties to repay loans made by such parties.

The Initial Purchasers and their Affiliates may, by virtue of the relationships described above or otherwise, at the date hereof or at any time hereafter, be in possession of information regarding certain of the issuers of Collateral Obligations and their respective Affiliates, that is or may be material in the context of the Securities and that is or may not be known to the general public. Neither of the Initial Purchasers and none of their Affiliates have any obligation, and the offering of the Securities will not create any obligation on their part, to disclose to any purchaser of the Securities any such relationship or information, whether or not confidential.

By purchasing a Security, each investor will be deemed to have acknowledged the existence of the conflicts of interest inherent to this transaction, including as described above, and to have consented thereto.

## DESCRIPTION OF THE SECURITIES

The Notes will be issued pursuant to the Indenture. The terms of the Preference Shares are contained in the Issuer Charter and in certain resolutions adopted by the Issuer's Board of Directors on or before the Closing Date authorizing and approving the issuance of the Securities, as reflected in the minutes thereof (the "**Resolutions**" and, together with the Issuer Charter and the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the "**Preference Share Documents**"). The following summary describes certain provisions of the Notes, the Preference Shares, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. Copies of the Indenture may be obtained by prospective purchasers upon request in writing to the Trustee at 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code: EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116 Attention: CDO Services Group, and will be available at the office of AIB International Financial Services Ltd. (in such capacity, the "**Irish Paying Agent**") in the City of Dublin. Copies of the Preference Share Documents may be obtained upon request in writing to the Administrator at P.O. Box 1093GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, Attention: the Directors— Westchester CLO, Ltd.

### Status and Security

The Senior Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer and non-recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuer. The Class E Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer. Each Note within a Class will rank *pari passu* with all other Notes of that Class. Under the Indenture, the Issuer will grant to the Trustee a first-priority security interest in the Collateral to secure the Issuer's obligations under the Indenture, the Notes, Hedge Agreements and the Servicing Agreement (collectively, the "**Secured Obligations**"). The Notes are payable solely from amounts received in respect of the Collateral pledged by the Issuer to secure the Notes. If the amounts received in respect of the Collateral (net of certain expenses) are insufficient to make payments on the Secured Obligations, in accordance with the Priority of Payments, no other assets will be available for payment of the deficiency and, following liquidation of all the Collateral, the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, to pay the deficiency will be extinguished.

The Preference Shares are entitled to proceeds of the Collateral only to the extent that any such proceeds are remaining on any Payment Date after payment of all interest and principal payable on each Class of Notes on that Payment Date and the satisfaction of certain other amounts payable in accordance with the Priority of Payments. In addition, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares will be entitled, as and to the extent set forth herein, to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments pursuant to the priority provided in the Priority of Payments.

In furtherance of the priorities of payments among the Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares, the Indenture contains express subordination provisions pursuant to which the Holders of each Class of Notes that is a Junior Class as described below agree for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class that the Junior Class shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes of each Priority Class to the extent and in the manner provided in the Indenture.

If any Event of Default has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs under and in accordance with the Indenture, each Priority Class of Notes shall be paid in full in cash or, to the extent a Majority of each Class consents, other than in cash, before any further payment or distribution is made on account of any Junior Class of Notes with respect to the Priority Class. The Holders of each Junior Class of Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for failure to pay to them amounts due to the Junior Class, of the Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or under the Indenture until the payment in full of the Priority Classes or all the Classes, as the case may be and not before one year and a day, or if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, has elapsed since the payment.

For purposes of this provision, with respect to each Class of Notes, the Classes of Notes that are Priority Classes and Junior Classes are as follows:

Class	Junior Classes	Priority Classes
A-1-A*	A-1-B, C, D, E, Preference Shares*	None
A-1-B*	B, C, D, E, Preference Shares**	A-1-A
B	C, D, E, Preference Shares**	A
C	D, E, Preference Shares**	A, B
D	E, Preference Shares**	A, B, C
E	Preference Shares**	A, B, C, D
Preference Shares	None***	A, B, C, D, E

\* The payment of interest on the Class A-1-A Notes and the Class A-1-B Notes shall rank *pari passu*, and the Class A-1-A Notes and the Class A-1-B Notes will be allocated principal payments on each Payment Date in accordance with the Class A Allocation.

\*\* Other than with respect to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, which may be payable to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as set forth herein and will have priority to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

\*\*\* The Preference Shares will be entitled to certain residual cash flow after payment of senior obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

If, notwithstanding the provisions of the Indenture, any Holder of Notes of any Junior Class has received any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes contrary to the provisions of the Indenture, then, until each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class of Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, or, to the extent a Majority of the Priority Class or the Class, as the case may be, consents, other than in cash in accordance with the Indenture, the payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, which shall pay and deliver the same to the Holders of the applicable Priority Classes of Notes or the Holders of all Classes of Notes, as the case may be. If any such payment or distribution is made other than in cash, it shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and subject in all respects to the Indenture.

Each Holder of Notes of any Junior Class agrees with all Holders of the applicable Priority Classes that the Holder of Junior Class Notes shall not demand, accept, or receive any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes in violation of the Indenture. After a Priority Class has been paid in full, the Holders of Notes of the related Junior Class or Classes shall be fully subrogated to the rights of the Holders of the Priority Class. Nothing in these provisions shall affect the obligation of the Issuer to pay Holders of any Junior Class of Notes.

Distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares are subordinate to distributions on the Notes as described in the Priority of Payments (other than, as and to the extent set forth herein, with respect to distribution of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments).

The Servicing Fees shall have priority only to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.



### **Interest Payments on the Notes and Payments of Dividends on the Preference Shares from Interest Proceeds**

The Notes of each Class will accrue interest during each Interest Period on their Aggregate Outstanding Amount (determined as of the first day of the Interest Period and after giving effect to any redemption or other payment of principal occurring on that day) at the applicable per annum interest rates for each such Class (the “**Note Interest Rate**”) equal to LIBOR for Eurodollar deposits for the applicable Interest Period *plus* the spread, as specified above under “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.” Interest accrued on the Notes shall be calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in the applicable Interest Period *divided by* 360. Payment of interest on each Class of Notes shall be subordinated to the payments of interest on the related Priority Classes and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of Deferred Interest in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered “payable” for the purposes of the Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for the Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest), until paid.

Interest shall cease to accrue on each Note, or in the case of a partial repayment, on the part repaid, from the date of repayment or its Stated Maturity unless payment of principal is improperly withheld or unless there is some other default with respect to the payments of principal.

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares, pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Interest Proceeds as described under clauses (22) and (24) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

In addition, on each Payment Date prior to February 3, 2008, Holders of the Class II Preference Shares will be entitled to distributions, on a *pro rata* basis, from the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account, equal to the Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment, the Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment and the Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment (if any) (collectively, the “**Class II Preference Share Special Payments**”). With respect to any Payment Date after February 3, 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion (or all) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments; *provided* that with respect to the Payment Date in May 2008 such Class II Preference Share Special Payments will, at a minimum, include amounts that would otherwise constitute a portion (representing the Class II Preference Share Percentage) of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Payment Date in February 2008 through February 3, 2008. Any payments to the Holders of Class II Preference Shares of the Class II Preference Share Special Payments will have priority to the extent provided under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

For purposes of calculating the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, the following definitions shall apply:

**“Class II Preference Share Percentage”** means, for any Payment Date, a fraction, expressed as a percentage, the numerator of which is the number of Outstanding Class II Preference Shares on such Payment Date and the denominator of which is the total number of Outstanding Preference Shares on such Payment Date.

**“Class II Preference Share Portion”** means, for any Payment Date, 100% minus the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date.

**“Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment”** means, for any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Senior Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**“Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment”** means, for any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Subordinated Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**“Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment”** means, for any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**“Servicing Fee Portion”** means 100% minus (a) for any Payment Date from the Closing Date until (and including) the Payment Date in February 2008, the Class II Preference Share Percentage for such Payment Date and (b) for any other Payment Date, a percentage (between 0% and 100%) selected by the Servicer in its sole discretion and reported to the Trustee in writing on or before the related Determination Date; *provided* that, with respect to the Payment Date in May 2008, such percentage shall be a minimum of the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Percentage for such Payment Date and (ii) 3.3%.

For purposes of calculating interest on each Class of Notes, the Issuer will initially appoint the Trustee as calculation agent (the Trustee in that capacity, and each successor calculation agent, the **“Calculation Agent”**).

As soon as possible after 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period, but in no event later than 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the next Business Day, the Calculation Agent will calculate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes for the related Interest Period and the amount of interest for the Interest Period payable in respect of each \$100,000 in principal amount of each Class of Floating Rate Notes (in each case rounded to the nearest cent, with half a cent being rounded upward) on the related Payment Date and will communicate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes and the date of the next Payment Date to the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers, each paying agent, Euroclear, Clearstream, the Depository, and (as long as the Senior Notes are listed on the ISE) the ISE.

The Calculation Agent may be removed by the Co-Issuers at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Co-Issuers or if the Calculation Agent fails to determine the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes or the amount of interest payable in respect of each Class of Floating Rate Notes for any Interest Period, the Issuer will promptly appoint as a replacement Calculation Agent a leading bank which is engaged in transactions in U.S. Dollar deposits in the international U.S. Dollar market and which does not control and is not controlled by or under common control with the Co-Issuers or any of their respective affiliates. The Calculation Agent may not resign its duties without a successor having been duly appointed. The determination of the Note Interest Rate with respect to each Class of Floating Rate Notes for each Interest Period by the Calculation Agent shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding upon all parties.

“**LIBOR**” means the offered rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent for any Interest Period, for three month Dollar deposits that appears on Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page as reported on Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News (or a page that replaces Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), as of 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period.

If, on the second Business Day before the first day of any relevant Interest Period, that rate does not appear on Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page as reported on Bloomberg Financial Market Commodities News (or a page that replaces Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), the Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks to prime banks in the London interbank market for three month Dollar deposits in Europe, by reference to requests by the Calculation Agent to four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) (the “**Reference Banks**”) for quotations as of approximately 11:00 a.m (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the Interest Period. If at least two of the Reference Banks provide quotations as requested, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean. If fewer than two Reference Banks provide quotations, LIBOR shall be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that one or more leading banks in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) are quoting to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period for three month Dollar deposits.

If the Calculation Agent is unable to determine a rate in accordance with any of the above procedures, LIBOR for the Interest Period shall be calculated on the last day of the Interest Period and shall be the arithmetic mean of the rate of interest for each day during the Interest Period determined by the Calculation Agent as being the rate of interest most recently announced by the Bank at its New York office as its base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans (or if the Bank ceases to exist or is not quoting a base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans, another major money center commercial bank in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer)).

For the first Interest Period and, unless the Maturity Extension occurs, the last Interest Period, LIBOR shall be determined based on the actual number of days in the Interest Period using straight-line interpolation of two rates calculated in accordance with the above procedure, except that instead of using three month deposits, one rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next shorter than the Interest Period and the other rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next longer than the Interest Period. All calculations shall be calculated to at least four decimal places and rounded to four decimal places.

### **Principal Payments on the Notes and Distributions on the Preference Shares from Principal Proceeds**

The principal of each Note of each Class matures at par and is payable on the Payment Date that is the Stated Maturity for the Class of Notes, unless the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable at an earlier date by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise. The Preference Shares are scheduled to be redeemed on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, unless redeemed prior thereto. The average life of each Class of Notes is expected to be shorter than the number of years from issuance until Stated Maturity for such Notes. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Weighted Average Lives of the Notes Interests May Vary” and “Maturity and Prepayment Considerations.” Notwithstanding the foregoing, and except as set forth below, the payment of principal of each Class of Notes: (i) may only occur after principal on each Class of Notes that is a Priority Class with respect to the Class has been paid in full and (ii) is subordinated to the payment on each Payment Date of the principal and interest payable on the Priority Classes, and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments. However, (i) Interest Proceeds may be used to pay principal of the Class E Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class E Coverage Tests and (ii) Principal Proceeds may be used to pay Deferred Interest and other amounts before the payment of principal of the Notes. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments.”

In general, principal payments will not be made on the Notes before the end of the Replacement Period, except in the following circumstances: (i) in connection with the payment of Deferred Interest on any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, (ii) in connection with an Optional Redemption, (iii) in connection with a Refinancing, (iv) at the option of the Servicer, to effect a Special Redemption of the Notes, (v) pursuant to a redemption made in connection with a Tax Event or (vi) following a mandatory redemption of the Notes caused by a failure to meet any of the Coverage Tests or a Rating Confirmation Failure. After the Replacement Period, Principal Proceeds will be applied on each Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments to pay principal of each Class of Notes (except for Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations which may be applied to purchase Collateral Obligations to the extent described herein). No principal of any Class of Notes will be payable on any Payment Date other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and to the extent funds are available therefor on that Payment Date for that purpose, except that the principal of each Class of Notes will be payable in full at the Stated Maturity, unless repaid before that.

On each Payment Date, the Issuer will make distributions to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends on the Preference Shares, pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, to the extent of available Principal Proceeds as described under clauses (12)(A), (15) and (16) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

#### **Legal Provisions Applicable to the Payments of Dividends from Interest Proceeds and Dividends or Other Distributions from Principal Proceeds**

Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment of dividends on, or the payment of the Redemption Price in respect of, the Preference Shares, will be distributable to the Holders of the Preference Shares only if the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distribution and Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds paid to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment of dividends in respect of the Preference Shares will be distributable to the Holders of the Preference Shares only if the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium and if the Issuer is and will remain solvent following such distribution. Payments will be paid by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for payment of dividends and other distributions to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, on a *pro rata* basis according to the number of Preference Shares held by each Holder on the Record Date for such Payment Date.

#### **Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**

##### *General*

The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Replacement Period to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date up to four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date and (ii) the Extension Conditions are satisfied and the Issuer has given the Trustee written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Securities or amendment or supplement to the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents.

In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Notes or Preference Shares wishing to sell all or a portion of its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to “—Extension Procedure” below (such Securities as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, “**Extension Sale Securities**”). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in connection with an Extension Sale, all, but not part, of the Extension Sale Securities must be purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date.

The Maturity Extension shall be effective only if the following conditions (the “**Extension Conditions**”) are satisfied:

- (i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the applicable Extension Effective Date;
- (ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions in the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents and described herein immediately after such purchase and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency);
- (iii) (a) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to S&P (so long as any Notes are then rated by S&P) and (b) Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to Moody’s (so long as any Notes are then rated by Moody’s);
- (iv) the Issuer has not effected more than three prior Extensions; and
- (v) such extension is not effected for the primary purpose of decreasing losses or recognizing gains resulting from market value changes.

In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Noteholder, other than Holders of Extension Sale Securities, shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment. Holders of Preference Shares shall not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

The Extension Bonus Payment shall be payable to any applicable qualifying beneficial owners who have provided the Trustee with an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification on the first Payment Date from and including the Extension Effective Date on which funds are available for such purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments, but in any event, no later than the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption of the Notes. Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments shall not be considered “due and payable” hereunder. The failure to pay any such Extension Bonus Payment on such date shall not be an Event of Default, unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Securities. Unpaid Extension Bonus Payments shall not accrue interest. Such amounts shall be paid, in the case of the Notes, to the accounts designated in the applicable Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification or, to the extent otherwise required by the rules of any applicable securities exchange or clearing agency, in a manner determined by the Issuer.

#### *Extension Procedure*

Not later than three Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Issuer of its election to extend the Replacement Period (the “**Extension Notice**”), the Trustee shall mail the Extension Notice to all Holders of Notes and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are

Outstanding), in the form set out in the Indenture, and shall request the Rating Confirmation for the Maturity Extension from each Rating Agency, if applicable.

Any Holder of Securities may deliver an irrevocable notice (an “**Extension Sale Notice**”) to the Issuer and the Trustee within 30 days after the Trustee has mailed the Extension Notice (the “**Extension Sale Notice Period**”) of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of Securities that has not delivered such an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be entitled to sell its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension.

If any Holder of Class II Preference Shares delivers an Extension Sale Notice notifying the Issuer and the Trustee of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Class II Preference Shares such Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to the Extension Qualifying Purchaser and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares.

On the applicable Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or its agent) shall confirm (i) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Extension Sale Securities in compliance with all transfer restrictions in the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (ii) whether the requirements of clause (iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date and (iii) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

On each Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension shall automatically become effective under the terms of the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents; *provided* that all Extension Conditions set forth above are satisfied (as certified to the Trustee by a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer). No later than two Business Days after each Extension Effective Date, the Trustee based on a determination made by the Issuer, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail a notice to all Holders of Notes, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) and the ISE (if and for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed thereon) confirming whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension became effective, the Issuer shall make any required notifications thereof to the Depositary for any Securities subject to the Maturity Extension.

None of the Initial Purchasers, the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

### **Optional Redemption**

*Notes.* The applicable Required Redemption Percentage may give written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Servicer directing an optional redemption of the Notes (with respect to the Notes, an “**Optional Redemption**”) upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or at any time after the Non-Call Period. Such notice must be given not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made. In the event that the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee and the Issuer receive notice directing an optional redemption from any one or more Holders of Preference Shares holding less than a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, within five Business Days of receipt of such notice, notify the Holders of the Preference Shares (i) of the receipt of such notice and (ii) that any Holder of Preference Shares may join in directing an Optional Redemption by notifying the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing within five Business Days after such Holder’s receipt of the Preference Shares Paying Agent’s notice.

Upon receipt of the written notice directing an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Co-Issuers with respect to the Senior Notes and the Issuer with respect to the Class E Notes are required by the Indenture to redeem the Notes (in whole but not in part) from amounts available therefor in accordance with “—Optional Redemption Procedures” described below. Any Optional Redemption of the Notes shall be made at the applicable Redemption Price. Upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes, the Replacement Period will terminate in accordance with the definition of that term. The Issuer shall, at least 30 days before the Redemption Date (unless the Trustee shall agree to a shorter notice period), notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency of the Redemption Date, the applicable Record Date, the principal amount of Notes to be redeemed on the Redemption Date and the applicable Redemption Prices.

*Preference Shares.* On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, all administrative and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), and all amounts owing under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged:

(i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings; or

(ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such direction,

(with respect to the Preference Shares and each of clauses (i) and (ii) above, an “**Optional Redemption**”).

Upon a distribution pursuant to clause (i) above, the Servicer will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Servicing Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer (and subject to clause (ii) above), direct the sale of all remaining Collateral Obligations. Upon a distribution pursuant to clause (ii) above, the Servicer will effect the sale of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares.

Upon receipt of the written notice directing an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares, the Issuer is required by the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement to redeem the Preference Shares in the applicable manner described above. Any Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares shall be made at the applicable Redemption Price.

*Optional Redemption Procedures.* The Trustee will give notice of a redemption by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days and not earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date, to (i) each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder’s address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as applicable, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and (ii) in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, to each Rating Agency. In addition, for so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the ISE and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of an Optional Redemption of Senior Notes shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

Notice of redemption having been given as provided above, the Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at the Redemption Price therein specified and from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Redemption Price and accrued interest) the Notes shall cease to bear interest on the Redemption Date.

Upon final payment on a Note to be so redeemed, the Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the place specified in the notice of redemption to receive the applicable Redemption Price unless the Holder provides an undertaking to surrender the Note thereafter.

The Notes may not be optionally redeemed unless either of the following conditions is satisfied:

(i) at least 10 Business Days before the Redemption Date, the Servicer shall have furnished to the Trustee evidence (in form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee) that the Issuer has entered into a binding agreement (with a financial or other institution or entity whose short-term unsecured debt obligations (other than obligations whose rating is based on the credit of a person other than the institution) have a credit rating of at least "A-1" from S&P and of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's (or to any other institution or entity if the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's is satisfied with respect to the other entity) to sell to the financial or other institutions, not later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date in immediately available funds, all or part of the Collateral (directly or by participation or other arrangement) at a Purchase Price at least equal to an amount sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices; or

(ii) before entering into any binding agreement to sell all or a portion of the Collateral and selling or terminating any Hedge Agreement, the Servicer shall have certified that, in its commercially reasonable judgment, the settlement dates of the sales will be scheduled to occur on or before the Business Day before the Redemption Date and that the expected proceeds from the sales are to be delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date, in immediately available funds, in an amount (calculated as applicable in the manner provided below) sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices. For purposes of this paragraph, the amount shall be calculated with respect to the classes of Collateral listed in the table below by multiplying the expected proceeds of sale of the Collateral by the indicated percentage in the table below. For the avoidance of doubt, no Hedge Agreement will be sold or terminated unless the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date has passed and no notice of withdrawal has been issued.



		Number of Business Days Between Certification to the Trustee and Sale			
		<u>Same Day</u>	<u>1 to 2</u>	<u>3 to 5</u>	<u>6 to 15</u>
1.	Cash or other Eligible Investments	100%	100%	100%	100%
2.	Loans (other than 5 below)	100%	93%	92%	88%
3.	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations (in each case, other than 4 below)	100%	89%	85%	75%
4.	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations, in each case with a Moody's Rating of "B3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "B3"	100%	75%	65%	55%
5.	Synthetic Securities	100%	65%	55%	35%

Any certification delivered by the Servicer shall include (A) the prices of, and expected proceeds from, the sale of any Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments or Hedge Agreements and (B) all calculations required by the Indenture.

Any notice of redemption may be withdrawn by the Issuer up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Trustee and the Servicer only if:

(i) in the case of an Optional Redemption of Notes, the Servicer does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications required under the Indenture, as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee;

(ii) in the case of an Optional Redemption in whole of either the Notes or the Preference Shares as described above in "—Optional Redemption—Notes" and clause (i) of the first paragraph under "—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares," the Issuer receives the written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares (or, in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes resulting from a Tax Event, the Affected Class) to withdraw the notice of redemption delivered by the percentage of the Holders of the Preference Shares (or, in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes resulting from a Tax Event, the Affected Class) requesting redemption under "—Optional Redemption—Notes" or clause (i) of the first paragraph under "—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares," as applicable; or

(iii) in the case of an Optional Redemption of Preference Shares as described in clause (ii) of the first paragraph under "Optional Redemption—Preference Shares," the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer hereby agrees for the benefit of the directing Holders to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (ii) or this clause (iii)).

Notice of any withdrawal shall be sent, not later than the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date (assuming that the Trustee has received timely written notice from the Issuer as provided above), by the Trustee, to each Holder of Notes scheduled to be redeemed at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery (or, to the extent the address contained in the Indenture Register is not sufficient for that purpose, by first-class mail) and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares). If the Issuer so withdraws any notice of redemption or is otherwise unable to complete any redemption of the Notes, the Sale Proceeds received from the sale of any Collateral Obligations sold in accordance with the Indenture may, during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period) at the Servicer's discretion, be used to purchase replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria.

Notice of redemption shall be given by the Co-Issuers or, upon an Issuer Order, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Co-Issuers. Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Note selected for redemption or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Securities.

*Redemption by Refinancing.* In addition, any Class of the Notes may be redeemed in whole, but not in part, on any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period from Refinancing Proceeds if the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, proposes to the Holders of the Preference Shares in writing (by notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares)) with a copy to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies) at least 30 days prior to the Payment Date for such redemption (such date, the “**Refinancing Date**”) to redeem such Notes in accordance with the Indenture, which notice shall, among other things, specify the Refinancing Date and the Class of Notes to be Refinanced. Such redemption will be effected by the Issuer obtaining a loan or an issuance of a replacement class of notes (“**Refinancing Notes**”), the terms of which loan or issuance will be negotiated by the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, from one or more financial institutions or purchasers (which may include the Servicer or its Affiliates) selected by the Servicer (a refinancing provided pursuant to such loan or issuance, a “**Refinancing**”), and *provided* that (i) such proposal is approved by a Majority of the Preference Shares (voting as a single class) at least 15 days prior to the Refinancing Date and (ii) the Servicer completes such Refinancing and causes the Refinancing Proceeds to be deposited with the Trustee (in immediately available funds) no later than the close of the Business Day immediately preceding the Refinancing Date.

The Issuer will obtain a Refinancing only if the Servicer determines and certifies to the Trustee that:

(i) (a) a Rating Confirmation has been obtained from each Rating Agency for each Class of Refinancing Notes and each Class of Notes not subject to Refinancing;

(ii) the proceeds from the Refinancing will be at least sufficient to pay the Refinancing Price plus any Administrative Expenses of the Issuer related to the Refinancing;

(iii) the interest rate payable in respect of the obligations providing the Refinancing is less than the interest rate payable on the Notes being refinanced;

(iv) the principal amount of any obligations providing the Refinancing is no greater than the principal amount of the Notes being redeemed with the proceeds of such obligations;

(v) the stated maturity of the obligations providing the Refinancing is no earlier than the Stated Maturity of the Notes being refinanced;

(vi) the Refinancing Proceeds will be used (to the extent necessary) to redeem the applicable Notes;

(vii) the agreements relating to the Refinancing contain limited recourse, non-recourse and non-petition provisions, investor qualification provisions and transfer restrictions equivalent to those applicable to the Notes being redeemed, as set forth in the Indenture;

(viii) the obligations providing the Refinancing are subject to the Priority of Payments and do not rank higher in priority pursuant to the Priority of Payments than the Class of Notes being redeemed; and

(ix) the expenses in connection with the Refinancing have been paid or will be adequately provided for.

Any Refinancing Proceeds will not constitute Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds but will be applied directly on the related Refinancing Date pursuant to the Indenture to redeem the Notes being refinanced and pay Administrative Expenses in connection with the Refinancing without regard to the Priority of Payments; *provided* that, to the extent that any Refinancing Proceeds exceed the amount necessary to redeem the Notes being refinanced (and any associated Administrative Expenses), such excess Refinancing Proceeds will be treated as Principal Proceeds.

Refinancing Notes may be issued from time to time pursuant to a Refinancing as described above and subject to and in compliance with the terms of the Indenture. Any such Refinancing Note will be issued by the Issuer and, if any such Refinancing Note is a Senior Note, the Co-Issuer and will be authenticated by the Trustee upon delivery to the Trustee of an order of the Issuer and the applicable opinion of counsel as set forth in the Indenture.

### **Special Redemption of Notes If the Servicer Does Not Identify Replacement Collateral Obligations as Contemplated by the Indenture**

Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in whole or in part, at par, in accordance with the Priority of Payments if, at any time during the Replacement Period, the Servicer elects (subject to the Servicing Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional or replacement Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the application of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations.

On the Special Redemption Date, the Special Redemption Amount will be available to be applied in accordance with “—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds” to the extent of available Principal Proceeds. Notice of payment of the Special Redemption Amount shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than three Business Days before the applicable Special Redemption Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder’s address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository. In addition, for so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the ISE and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of a Special Redemption of the Senior Notes shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

In connection with a Special Redemption, the principal of the Notes will be paid from Principal Proceeds in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount (first to any Class A Notes to be redeemed (*provided* that amounts allocated to the payment of principal of the Class A Notes will be paid in accordance with the Class A Allocation), then to any Class B Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class C Notes to be redeemed, then to any Class D Notes to be redeemed and then to any Class E Notes to be redeemed, in each case until paid in full) in accordance with the Priority of Payments. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

### **Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

#### *General*

In the event of a Rating Confirmation Failure or a failure to meet any Coverage Test on any Determination Date, a mandatory redemption of one or more Classes of Notes in whole or in part will be required. Any mandatory redemption could result in an elimination, deferral or reduction in interest or principal payments to one or more Classes of Securities, which would adversely affect the returns to the Holders of the Class or Classes of Securities. See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Securities—The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Interests for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests” and “—The Indenture Requires Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure.”

*Mandatory Redemption of the Notes for Failure to Satisfy Coverage Tests*

Except with respect to payments made pursuant to an Optional Redemption or a redemption made in connection with a Tax Event as described under “—Optional Redemption,” on any Payment Date with respect to which any Coverage Test (as described under “Security for the Notes—The Coverage Tests”) is not met on any Determination Date, principal payments on the Notes will be made as described under “—Priority of Payments.”

*Mandatory Redemption of the Notes Upon Rating Confirmation Failure*

Upon the event of a Rating Confirmation Failure, all Interest Proceeds remaining after payment of amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (16) of “—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” will be used to pay principal of the Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes in the Note Payment Sequence on the next Payment Date and each Payment Date thereafter until the Initial Ratings are confirmed. If necessary, after the foregoing payments are made out of Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds in accordance with clause (11) “—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds” will be used to pay principal of each Class of the Notes sequentially in order of their priority on each Payment Date until the Initial Ratings are confirmed.

Upon receipt of notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes, at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody’s and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes, then at the direction and in accordance with the instructions of the Servicer the Trustee shall sell Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for the purpose in the Collection Account will be used to redeem the Notes (but only to the extent necessary for each of Moody’s and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes) and to pay all administrative and other fees, expenses and obligations payable under the Priority of Payments. Any sale under these provisions shall be conducted in such a manner that:

- (i) after giving effect to the sale each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied or, if any Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Overcollateralization Test is not reduced;
- (ii) if the sale occurs on or after the second Payment Date, after giving effect to the sale each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied or, if any Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Interest Coverage Test is not reduced; and
- (iii) after giving effect to the sale each Collateral Quality Test is satisfied or, if any Collateral Quality Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Collateral Quality Test is not reduced.

**Redemption of the Preference Shares in Connection with Mandatory Redemption of the Notes**

The Preference Shares will be redeemed in whole in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents on any Payment Date on which a mandatory redemption of the Notes described under “—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes” results in the payment in full of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes.

**Tax Certification**

As a condition to the payment on any Security in accordance with the Priority of Payments without the imposition of withholding tax, the Issuer will require certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer, the Trustee, and any paying agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments in respect of such Security under any present or future law or regulation of the United States or other jurisdiction or any

present or future law or regulation of any political subdivision thereof or taxing authority therein or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under any such law or regulation. Without limiting the foregoing, as a condition to payments on any Security without U.S. federal back-up withholding, the Issuer will require the delivery of properly completed and signed applicable U.S. federal income tax certifications (generally, an IRS Form W-9 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a person that is a “United States person” as defined in the Code or an IRS Form W-8 (or applicable successor form), together with any required attachments, in the case of a person that is not a “United States person” as defined in the Code).

### **Priority of Payments**

Collections received on the Collateral during the related Due Period will be segregated into Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds and applied on each Payment Date in the priority below under “—Interest Proceeds” and “—Principal Proceeds,” respectively (collectively, the “**Priority of Payments**”).

#### *Interest Proceeds*

On each Payment Date, Interest Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period (other than Interest Proceeds previously used during such Due Period to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations or otherwise used as permitted under the Indenture) will be distributed in the following order of priority:

- (1) to the payment of any taxes and registration and filing fees owed by the Co-Issuers (without limit) and then to the payment of Administrative Expenses up to the Administrative Expense Cap as follows:

FIRST, in the following order of priority:

- (i) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Trustee; and then
- (ii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Collateral Administrator; and then
- (iii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Preference Shares Paying Agent;

SECOND, in the following order of priority;

- (x) fees and expenses of the Administrator; and then;
- (y) fees and expenses of the Co-Issuers (including fees and expenses of counsel and ongoing surveillance, credit estimate, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies) and any other person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for in the Indenture, and to the expenses (but not fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;

- (2) the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts paid pursuant to clause (1) above to deposit into the Expense Reimbursement Account;
- (3) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with “Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account” an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee then due and payable and SECOND, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause;

- (4) to the payment of all amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements (if any) other than any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;
- (5) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-1-A Notes and the Class A-1-B Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-1-A Notes and the Class A-1-B Notes, in each case, *pro rata* in proportion to the respective amounts of interest, Defaulted Interest and Defaulted Interest Charge then due on each such Class;
- (6) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class B Notes;
- (7) if the Class A/B Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes and the Class B Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case, in the amount necessary so that all of the Class A/B Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (7) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);
- (8) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class C Notes (excluding Class C Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class C Deferred Interest);
- (9) if the Class C Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class C Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (9) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);
- (10) to the payment of Class C Deferred Interest;
- (11) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class D Notes (excluding Class D Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class D Deferred Interest);
- (12) if the Class D Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class D Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (12) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);
- (13) to the payment of Class D Deferred Interest;
- (14) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class E Notes (excluding Class E Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class E Deferred Interest);

- (15) if the Class E Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class E Notes in the amount necessary so that all of the Class E Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (15) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);
- (16) to the payment of Class E Deferred Interest;
- (17) if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that a Rating Confirmation is obtained, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (17) before the application of any Principal Proceeds as described under “—Principal Proceeds” below on the current Payment Date);
- (18) during the Replacement Period, if the Retention Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, for deposit to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds 50% of the remaining Interest Proceeds available after the payments pursuant to clause (17) above (or, if the amount necessary to cause the Retention Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as of such Determination Date is less than 50% of such remaining Interest Proceeds, such necessary amount);
- (19) to the payment of any remaining Administrative Expenses not paid under clause (1) above in the respective priorities specified in clause (1);
- (20) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with “Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account” an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee then due and payable and SECOND, to the payment (*pro rata* according to the amounts payable under clauses (x) and (y) below) to: (x) the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and (y) *pro rata* to each Holder of Securities entitled thereto, the applicable Extension Bonus Payment as described under “—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date;”
- (21) to the payment of any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;
- (22) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0%;
- (23) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with “Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account” of an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) the Supplemental Servicing Fee, if applicable and SECOND, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Supplemental Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and

- (24) any remaining Interest Proceeds, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares;

*provided* that, in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds referred to under clauses (22) and (24) above, in whole or in part on any Payment Date, the Servicer, on behalf the Issuer, will have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be due and payable on such Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to any such Payment Date will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date will be increased accordingly.

#### *Principal Proceeds*

On each Payment Date, Principal Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period other than:

- (A) Principal Proceeds previously used to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or otherwise used as permitted under the Indenture;
- (B) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account or the Securities Lending Account; and
- (C) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed Purchase Prices for Collateral Obligations with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment before the end of the Due Period for their purchase, but has not settled the purchase by the end of the Due Period;

shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

- (1) (x) FIRST, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (6) under “—Interest Proceeds” above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (y) SECOND, to the payment of amounts referred to in clause (7) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class A/B Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (1), or until such amounts are paid in full;
- (2) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (8) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (3) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (9) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class C Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (3), or until such amounts are paid in full;



- (4) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (10) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (5) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (11) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (6) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (12) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class D Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (6), or until such amounts are paid in full;
- (7) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (13) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (8) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (14) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (9) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (15) under “—Interest Proceeds” above (regardless whether or not the conditions of sub-clause (i) of such clause (15) are satisfied) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class E Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (9), or until such amounts are paid in full;
- (10) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (16) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (11) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (17) under “—Interest Proceeds” above to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;
- (12)
  - (A) if the Payment Date is a Redemption Date in the following order of priority: (i) to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of the Redemption Prices of all of the Notes to be redeemed, (ii) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (19) through (23) under “—Interest Proceeds” above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (iii) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares of the Redemption Price of any Preference Shares to be redeemed; and
  - (B) if the Payment Date is a Special Redemption Date, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of the Notes in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount, in each case until paid in full;
- (13) during the Replacement Period, all remaining Principal Proceeds to the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture (and, until so applied (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer’s purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), to be deposited in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds);

- (14) after the Replacement Period, (i) FIRST, at the discretion of the Servicer (with respect to Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations) to the purchase or funding of additional or replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the applicable provisions of the Indenture when appropriate Collateral Obligations are available, and until such time, to the Collection Account for the purchase of Eligible Investments; and (ii) SECOND, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of Notes until paid in full;
- (15) to the extent not previously paid in full under clause (12) above, after the Replacement Period, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (19) through (23) under “—Interest Proceeds” above (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; and
- (16) after the Replacement Period to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

The calculation on any Coverage Test on any Determination Date shall be made by giving effect to all payments to be made pursuant to all subclauses of the Priority of Payments as applicable, payable on the Payment Date following such Determination Date. In addition, no Principal Proceeds will be used to pay a subordinated Class on a Payment Date if, after giving effect to such payment, any Coverage Test of a more senior Class of Notes is failing on such Payment Date or would fail as a result of such application of the Principal Proceeds on such Payment Date.

If on any Payment Date the amount available in the Payment Account is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by the Valuation Report, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for in the order and according to the priority under “—Interest Proceeds” and “—Principal Proceeds,” to the extent funds are available therefor.

The Trustee shall remit funds to pay Administrative Expenses of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in accordance with the Priority of Payments under “—Interest Proceeds” and “—Principal Proceeds” above, to the extent available, to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer as directed and designated in an Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions) delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before each Payment Date.

### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Senior Notes**

The Senior Notes sold in Offshore Transactions may only be sold to non-U.S. Persons in reliance on Regulation S. Except as provided below, the Senior Notes sold in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Notes. The Regulation S Global Notes will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of the Depository for the respective accounts of the beneficial owners at Euroclear and Clearstream. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream. Investors may hold their interests in a Regulation S Global Note directly through Euroclear or Clearstream, if they are participants in such systems, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in such systems. Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may not be held by a U.S. Person at any time. By acquisition of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note, the purchaser thereof will be deemed to represent that it is not a U.S. Person and that, if in the future it determines to transfer such beneficial interest, it will transfer such interest only to a person whom the seller reasonably believes to be a non-U.S. Person or to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note.

The Senior Notes initially sold in non-Offshore Transactions or to U.S. Persons in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Rule 144A may only be sold to (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers that are also (ii) Qualified Purchasers and, except as provided below, will be represented by one or more permanent Rule 144A Global Notes. Investors may hold their interests in the Rule 144A Global Notes

directly through the Depository if they are the Depository participants, or indirectly through organizations that are the Depository participants. The Rule 144A Global Notes will be deposited with the Trustee as custodian for the Depository, and registered in the name of a nominee of the Depository.

Beneficial interests in Senior Notes represented by Global Notes will be subject to certain restrictions on transfer set forth therein and in the Indenture and such Global Notes will bear the applicable legends regarding the restrictions set forth under “Transfer Restrictions.” A beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from (A) the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that the transfer is being made to a person whom the transferor reasonably believes is a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is also a Qualified Purchaser and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction and (B) the transferee (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser. Beneficial interests in the Rule 144A Global Notes may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note only upon receipt by the Trustee of a written certification from (A) the transferor (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that the transfer is being made to a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction in accordance with Regulation S and (B) the transferee (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is a non-U.S. Person.

Any beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note that is transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will, upon transfer, cease to be an interest in such Regulation S Global Note and become an interest in the Rule 144A Global Note and, accordingly, will thereafter be subject to all transfer restrictions and other procedures applicable to beneficial interests in a Rule 144A Global Note for as long as it remains such an interest. Any beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note that is transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note will, upon transfer, cease to be an interest in the Rule 144A Global Note and become an interest in the Regulation S Global Note and, accordingly, will thereafter be subject to all transfer restrictions and other procedures applicable to beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note for as long as it remains such an interest. No service charge will be made for any registration of transfer or exchange of Senior Notes, but the Issuer or Co-Issuers, as the case may be, or the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

Except in the limited circumstances described in this paragraph, owners of beneficial interests in Senior Notes held in the form of Global Notes will not be entitled to receive delivery of certificated Senior Notes. The Senior Notes are not issuable in bearer form. A Global Note deposited with the Depository pursuant to the Indenture shall be transferred to the beneficial owners thereof only if such transfer complies with the Indenture and either (i) the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for a Global Note or ceases to be a “Clearing Agency” registered under the Exchange Act and a successor depository is not appointed by the Issuer within 90 days of such notice or (ii) as a result of any amendment to or change in, the laws or regulations of the Cayman Islands or of any authority therein or thereof having power to tax or in the interpretation or administration of such laws or regulations which become effective on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer or the Paying Agent becomes aware that it is or will be required to make any deduction or withholding from any payment in respect of the Senior Notes which would not be required if the Senior Notes were in definitive form. In addition, the owner of a beneficial interest in a Global Note will be entitled to receive a certificated Note in exchange for such interest if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing. In the event that certificated Senior Notes are not so issued by the Issuer to such beneficial owners of interests in Global Notes, the Issuer expressly acknowledges that such beneficial owners shall be entitled to pursue any remedy that the Holders of a Global Note would be entitled to pursue in accordance with the Indenture (but only to the extent of such beneficial owner’s interest in the Global Note) as if certificated Senior Notes had been issued. Payments on such certificated Senior Notes will be made by wire transfer in

immediately available funds to a Dollar-denominated account maintained by the owner or, if a wire transfer cannot be effected, by a Dollar check delivered to the owner. See “Settlement and Clearing.”

The Senior Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof for each Class of Senior Notes.

### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Class E Notes**

The Class E Notes will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Class E Notes in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the “**Certificated Class E Notes**”).

The Class E Notes may only be sold to persons who are Qualified Institutional Buyers (or, solely in the case of certain Holders purchasing Class E Notes on the Closing Date, Institutional Accredited Investors) who are also Qualified Purchasers.

The Class E Notes may be transferred only upon (*inter alia*) receipt by the Trustee of a written certification (in the form provided in the Indenture) from the transferee to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is also a Qualified Purchaser, and such transfer is being made in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction. Each initial Holder as well as each transferee of the Class E Notes is also required to provide certain tax forms and other tax-related certifications. See “Transfer Restrictions.”

The Class E Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess thereof.

### **Form, Denomination, Registration and Transfer of the Preference Shares**

The Preference Shares will be issued in the form of one or more certificated Preference Shares in definitive, fully registered form, registered in the name of the owner thereof (the “**Certificated Preference Shares**”).

Preference Shares may only be sold to persons who are Qualified Institutional Buyers who are also Qualified Purchasers.

Preference Shares may be transferred only upon (*inter alia*) receipt by the Preference Shares Paying Agent of a written certification (in the form provided in the Preference Share Documents) from the transferee to the effect that, among other things, the transferee is a Qualified Institutional Buyer who is also a Qualified Purchaser, and such transfer is being made in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction. Each initial Holder as well as each transferee of the Preference Shares is also required to provide certain tax forms and other tax-related certifications. See “Transfer Restrictions.”

Maples Finance Limited has been appointed and will serve as the registrar with respect to the Preference Shares (the “**Share Registrar**”) and will provide for (*inter alia*) the registration of the Preference Shares and the registration of transfers of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Preference Share Documents and the Administration Agreement in the register maintained by it. The Preference Shares will be issued in minimum numbers of 100 Preference Shares per investor and integral multiples of one Preference Share in excess thereof.

### **The Indenture**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Indenture. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of the Indenture.

*Events of Default*

“**Event of Default**” is defined in the Indenture as:

(a) a default for four Business Days in the payment of any interest on the Class A Notes or the Class B Notes, or, if no Class A Notes or Class B Notes are Outstanding, a default in the payment of any interest on the Controlling Class, in each case, when it becomes payable (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, the Irish Listing and Paying Agent or the Indenture Registrar, after seven Business Days);

(b) a default in the payment of principal (including Deferred Interest) of any Note when the same becomes payable, at its Stated Maturity or on the Redemption Date;

(c) the failure on any Payment Date to disburse amounts available in the Payment Account in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the failure continues for three Business Days;

(d) on any Measurement Date for so long as any Class A-1-A Notes, Class A-1-B Notes or Class B Notes are Outstanding, the Class A/B Overcollateralization Ratio is less than 100%;

(e) either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral becomes an investment company under the Investment Company Act;

(f) breach of any other covenant or other agreement of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Indenture (other than any failure to satisfy any of the Collateral Quality Tests, any of the Concentration Limitations, any of the Coverage Tests, the Retention Overcollateralization Test, or other covenants or agreements for which a specific remedy has been provided under the Indenture) in any material respect, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer made in the Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant thereto, or in connection therewith, to be correct in any material respect when made, and the breach or failure continues for 30 days after either of the Co-Issuers has actual knowledge of it or after notice to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Servicer by the Trustee or to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class by registered or certified mail or overnight courier specifying the breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that the notice is a “Notice of Default” under the Indenture;

(g) the entry of a decree or order by a court having competent jurisdiction adjudging the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, or composition of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, and if the decree or order remains unstayed and in effect for 45 consecutive days;

(h) the institution by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of Proceedings to have the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as the case may be, adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings against the Issuer or Co-Issuer, or the filing by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Bankruptcy Law or any other similar applicable law, or the consent by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as

they become due, or the taking of any action by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in furtherance of any such action; or

(i) one or more final judgments is rendered against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer that exceed in the aggregate U.S.\$2,000,000 and that remain unstayed, undischarged, and unsatisfied for 30 days after the judgments become nonappealable, unless adequate funds have been reserved or set aside for their payment.

Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Trustee must give prompt (and in no event later than five Business Days after becoming aware of such event) notice thereof to the Noteholders.

If an Event of Default is continuing (other than an Event of Default described in clauses (e), (g) or (h) under “—Events of Default” above), the Trustee may, with consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class, and must, upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, declare the principal of all the Notes to be immediately payable by notice to the Co-Issuers and the Noteholders, and upon that declaration the unpaid principal of all the Notes, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), and other amounts payable under the Indenture, shall become immediately payable. The Replacement Period shall terminate upon a declaration of acceleration (subject to re-commencement as described below). If an Event of Default described in clauses (e), (g) or (h) above under “—Events of Default” occurs, all unpaid principal, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), of all the Notes, and other amounts payable under the Indenture, shall automatically become payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any Noteholder and the Replacement Period shall terminate automatically (subject to re-commencement as described below).

At any time after the declaration of acceleration of maturity has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, may rescind the declaration and its consequences if:

(i) the Issuer or the Co-Issuer has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:

(A) all unpaid installments of interest and principal on the Notes then due (other than as a result of the acceleration);

(B) to the extent that payment of the interest is lawful, interest on any Deferred Interest and Defaulted Interest at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable;

(C) all Administrative Expenses of the Co-Issuers and other sums paid or advanced by the Trustee under the Indenture;

(D) all unpaid Senior Servicing Fees; and

(E) all amounts then payable to any Hedge Counterparty; and

(ii) the Trustee has determined that all Events of Default, other than the nonpayment of the interest on or principal of the Notes, that have become due solely by the acceleration, have been (A) cured, and a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Trustee has agreed with that determination, or (B) waived as provided in the Indenture.

No rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right resulting from the Default. The Issuer shall not terminate any Hedge Agreement at any time after a declaration of acceleration of Maturity of the Notes has been made, unless such declaration and its consequences may no longer be rescinded and annulled in accordance with the Indenture and liquidation of the Collateral has begun.

If an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee will retain the Collateral, collect, and cause the collection of the proceeds of the Collateral and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Collateral and the Notes and any Hedge Agreements (other than amounts received under a Hedge Agreement that are used in putting a replacement hedge in place) in the manner described under “—Priority of Payments” and the Indenture unless:

(i) the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, determines (bid prices having been obtained with respect to each security contained in the Collateral from two nationally recognized dealers (or if there is only one dealer, that dealer and if there is no dealer, from a pricing service), selected and specified by the Servicer to the Trustee in writing, at the time making a market in those securities, and having computed the anticipated proceeds of sale or liquidation on the basis of the lower of the bid prices for each security) that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would (after deduction of the reasonable expenses of the sale or liquidation) be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and the Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) under “—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds,” and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination;

(ii) the Holders of a Super Majority of each of the Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral; or

(iii) the Class A/B Overcollateralization Ratio is less than 90% and the Holders of a Majority of the Controlling Class direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral; *provided* that upon such direction, the Trustee shall (x) first sell or liquidate any Collateral for which either (a) two or more bid-side prices have been determined by an Approved Pricing Service or (b) bid-side prices have been obtained from at least two nationally recognized broker-dealers selected by a Majority of the Controlling Class and (y) thereafter shall sell or liquidate such remaining Collateral to the extent such Collateral can be liquidated or sold in accordance with the Indenture and applicable law; *provided* that any Collateral consisting of equity securities or Defaulted Collateral Obligations shall not be subject to sale or liquidation pursuant to this clause (iii).

If any Collateral is sold in accordance with clause (iii)(x) above and Highland is the Servicer, the Servicer shall have the exclusive right to purchase such Collateral for the first two Business Days from the date the last of such bid-prices was determined by an Approved Pricing Service or obtained from a nationally recognized broker-dealer selected by a Majority of the Controlling Class with respect to such Collateral at a price equal to the highest bid-price for such Collateral that was determined by an Approved Pricing Service and, thereafter, the Trustee may sell such Collateral to other parties in accordance with the terms of the Indenture; *provided* that any such sale to the Servicer or to any other party is effected in compliance with applicable law, including all notice and other requirements under the UCC.

During the continuance of an Event of Default, a Majority of the Controlling Class may institute and direct the Trustee in the conduct of any proceedings for any remedy available to the Trustee or for the exercise of any right of the Trustee under the Indenture if the direction does not conflict with any rule of law or with any express provision of the Indenture and the Trustee has been indemnified to its reasonable satisfaction. Any direction to the Trustee to undertake a sale of the Collateral shall be by the Holders of Notes representing the requisite percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes specified in the Indenture. The Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability or expense unless it has received an indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it against the liability or expense.

A Majority of the Controlling Class may on behalf of the Holders of all the Notes, before the time a judgment or decree for the payment of money due has been obtained by the Trustee, waive any past

Event of Default or event that, with notice or the lapse of time or both, would become an Event of Default and its consequences, except such a default:

- (i) in the payment of principal or Redemption Price of any Note or in the payment of interest (including Defaulted Interest, Deferred Interest, and any interest on Defaulted Interest or Deferred Interest) on the Notes;
- (ii) with respect to a provision of the Indenture that cannot be modified or amended without the waiver or consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected by the modification or amendment;
- (iii) in the payment of amounts due to the Servicer, the Trustee, or the Hedge Counterparty, which may only be waived with the consent of the affected party; or
- (iv) arising as a result of an Event of Default described in clause (e), (g) or (h) under “—Events of Default.”

No Holder of any Note may institute any proceeding with respect to the Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy under the Indenture, unless:

- (i) the Holder has previously given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default;
- (ii) the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute Proceedings with respect to the Event of Default in its own name as Trustee under the Indenture and the Holders have offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with the request;
- (iii) the Trustee for 30 days after its receipt of the notice, request, and offer of indemnity has failed to institute a Proceeding; and
- (iv) no direction inconsistent with the written request has been given to the Trustee during the 30 day period by a Majority of the Controlling Class.

If the Trustee receives conflicting or inconsistent requests and indemnity from two or more groups of Holders of the Controlling Class, each representing less than a Majority of the Controlling Class, the Trustee shall take the action requested by the Holders of the largest percentage in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, notwithstanding any other provisions of the Indenture but subject to such Holders having offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the costs and liabilities that might reasonably be incurred by it in compliance with the request as provided in the Indenture.

## **Supplemental Indentures**

### *Without Consent of Holders*

Without the consent of the Holders of any Securities (other than with respect to the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class specified in clause (15) below), but with the consent of the parties the consent of which is required as described in the following paragraph, the Co-Issuers, in each instance when authorized by resolutions of the respective Boards of Directors, and the Trustee, at any time and from time to time subject to the requirement provided below with respect to receipt of a Rating Confirmation, may, if, with respect to any matters described in clauses (1) through (23) below, the interests of the Holders of the Securities (except, in the case of clause (12) below, any Holders of Notes subject to the applicable Refinancing) are not materially and adversely affected thereby (the Co-Issuers and the Trustee will be bound by a standard of good faith and fair dealing in making such determination)



enter into one or more indentures supplemental to the Indenture, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, for any of the following purposes:

- (1) to evidence the succession of another person to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and the assumption by the successor person of the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Indenture and in the Securities;
- (2) to add to the covenants of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders or to surrender any right in the Indenture conferred on the Co-Issuers;
- (3) to convey, transfer, assign, mortgage, or pledge any property to the Trustee, or add to the conditions, limitations or restrictions on the authorized amount, terms and purposes of the issue, authentication and delivery of the Notes;
- (4) to evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment under the Indenture by a successor Trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of the Indenture necessary to facilitate the administration of the trusts under the Indenture by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of the Indenture;
- (5) to correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of the Indenture, or to better assure, convey, and confirm to the Trustee any property subject or required to be subject to the lien of the Indenture (including all actions appropriate as a result of changes in law) or to subject to the lien of the Indenture any additional property;
- (6) to cause any provision of the Indenture to conform to, or be consistent with, the statements made with respect to such provision in this Offering Memorandum;
- (7) to modify the restrictions on and procedures for resales and other transfers of the Notes to reflect any changes in applicable law (or its interpretation) or to enable the Co-Issuers to rely on any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities Act (including, without limitation, to add provisions for resales and transfers of the Class E Notes and/or Preference Shares under Regulation S) or the Investment Company Act or to remove restrictions on resale and transfer to the extent not required under the Indenture;
- (8) with the consent of the Servicer, to modify (A) the restrictions on the sales of Collateral Obligations described in “Security for the Notes—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations” or (B) with the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld), the Eligibility Criteria described in “Security for the Notes—Eligibility Criteria” (and the related definitions); *provided* that, for the avoidance of doubt, the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall not be required if such amendment also satisfies the requirements of clause (24) below;
- (9) to make appropriate changes for any Class of Senior Notes to be listed on an exchange other than the ISE;
- (10) otherwise to correct any inconsistency or cure any ambiguity or errors in the Indenture;
- (11) to accommodate the issuance of the Senior Notes in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC or otherwise;
- (12) to accommodate a Refinancing effected pursuant to and in compliance with the terms of the Indenture; *provided* that no Holders of Notes or Preference Shares are materially adversely affected thereby, other than Holders of Notes subject to such Refinancing;

- (13) to take any appropriate action to prevent the Issuer, the Holders of Securities or the Trustee from becoming subject to withholding or other taxes, fees, or assessments or to prevent the Issuer from being treated as being engaged in a U.S. trade or business or otherwise being subject to U.S. federal, state or local income tax on a net income basis, so long as the action will not cause the Holders of any Securities to be adversely affected to any material extent by any change to the timing, character, or source of the income from the Securities, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion);
- (14) to authorize the appointment of any listing agent, transfer agent, paying agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes appropriate in connection with the listing of any Class of Senior Notes on the ISE or any other stock exchange, and otherwise to amend the Indenture to incorporate any changes required or requested by any governmental authority, stock exchange authority, listing agent, transfer agent, paying agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes in connection with its appointment, so long as the supplemental indenture would not materially and adversely affect any Noteholders, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Notes;
- (15) with the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class, to amend, modify, enter into or accommodate the execution of any contract relating to a Synthetic Security (including posting collateral under a Synthetic Security Agreement) if such particular action is not otherwise permitted under the Indenture;
- (16) to modify certain representations as to Collateral in the Indenture in order that it may be consistent with applicable laws or Rating Agency requirements;
- (17) to evidence any waiver by any Rating Agency as to any requirement or condition, as applicable, of the Rating Agency in the Indenture;
- (18) to facilitate the issuance of participation notes, combination notes, composite securities and other similar securities;
- (19) to facilitate hedging transactions;
- (20) to facilitate the ability of the Issuer to lend collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement;
- (21) to modify any provision to facilitate an exchange of one security for another security of the same issuers that has substantially identical terms except transfer restrictions, including to effect any serial designation relating to the exchange;
- (22) with the consent of the Servicer to enter into any additional agreements not expressly prohibited by the Indenture as well as any amendment, modification, or waiver if the Issuer determines that the amendment, modification, or waiver would not, upon or after becoming effective, materially and adversely affect the rights or interest of the Holders of any Class of Securities, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Servicer, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities; *provided that,*

for the avoidance of doubt, this clause (22) shall not permit the Co-Issuers and the Trustee to effect any amendment that expressly requires the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class without such consent;

- (23) to provide for the issuance of additional Preference Shares to the extent permitted by the Preference Share Documents and to extend to such additional Preference Shares the benefits applicable to the Preference Shares under the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents; or
- (24) to prevent the Issuer from becoming an “investment company” as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); *provided* that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer shall have received (A) a Rating Confirmation with respect to such supplemental indenture and (B) a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such supplemental indenture, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

Without the consent of the Servicer, no supplemental indenture may be entered into that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to the Servicer under the Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer. The Trustee is authorized to join in the execution of any such supplemental indenture and to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations that may be in the agreements, but the Trustee should not be obligated to enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee’s own rights, duties, liabilities or immunities under the Indenture or otherwise, except to the extent required by law. Unless notified by a Majority of any Class of Securities that the Class of Securities would be materially and adversely affected, the Trustee may rely on a certificate of the Servicer and an opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) as to whether the interests of any Holder of Securities would be materially and adversely affected by any such supplemental indenture.

If any Outstanding Notes are rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee will enter into a supplemental indenture without the consent of Holders only if either (1) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the supplemental indenture or (2) the Servicer and the Holders of 100% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes the ratings on which would be reduced or withdrawn consent to the supplemental indenture. Prior to the entry into any supplemental Indenture with respect to which a Rating Confirmation for one or more Classes of Notes is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Note informing them of such fact.

At the cost of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee will mail to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), each Rating Agency (for so long as any Notes are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency) and each Hedge Counterparty a copy of any such proposed supplemental indenture at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee (or 60 calendar days before execution in the case of a supplemental indenture for the purpose described in clause (8) above, which shall be identified as such in a certificate of the Servicer delivered to the Trustee before the date on which such notice is required to be given).

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If the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency, with the consent of (a) the Servicer if the supplemental indenture would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts

payable to it under the Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer, (b) a Majority of each Class of Notes adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of each such Class of Notes and (c) a Majority of the Preference Shares adversely affected thereby, the Trustee and the Co-Issuers may enter into a supplemental indenture to add any provisions to, or change in any manner or eliminate any of the provisions of, the Indenture or modify in any manner the rights of the Holders of the Notes under the Indenture.

Any proposed supplemental indenture that would also necessitate a change to the Issuer Charter may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined therein) has been passed to permit the Issuer's constitutional documents to be altered to conform with such proposed change to the Indenture as certified to the Trustee by the Issuer.

Notwithstanding anything in the Indenture to the contrary, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected thereby and the Holder of each Outstanding Preference Share adversely affected thereby, no supplemental indenture shall:

(i) change the Stated Maturity of the principal of or the due date of any installment of interest on any Note or of any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares (other than in the case of any Maturity Extension in connection with an extension of the Replacement Period as described in “—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date”), reduce the principal amount or the rate of interest on any Note, or the Default Interest Rate or the Redemption Price with respect to any Note or Preference Share, or change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Share may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer, change the provisions of the Indenture relating to the application of proceeds of any Collateral to the payment of principal of or interest on Notes or to payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, or change any place where, or the coin or currency in which, Notes or their principal or interest are paid or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after their Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the applicable Redemption Date);

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class or Holders of Preference Shares whose consent is required for the authorization of any such supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of the Indenture or certain defaults under the Indenture or their consequences provided for in the Indenture;

(iii) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on a parity with the lien of the Indenture with respect to any part of the Collateral or terminate the lien on any property at any time subject hereto or deprive the Holder of any Note of the security afforded by the lien of the Indenture;

(iv) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class whose consent is required to request the Trustee to retain the Collateral pursuant to the Indenture or to sell or liquidate the Collateral pursuant to the Indenture;

(v) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture with respect to supplemental indentures or to provide that certain other provisions of the Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note and Preference Share affected thereby;

(vi) modify the definition of “Outstanding,” “Controlling Class,” or “Majority,” or the Priority of Payments in the Indenture; or

(vii) modify any of the provisions of the Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of Redemption Price or of interest or principal on any Note or any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the payment of dividends or other payments on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date or to affect the rights of the Holders of Notes or Preference Shares to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of the Notes or the Preference Shares contained in the Indenture.

Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the above provision, the Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, will mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) a copy of such proposed supplemental indenture and will request any required consent from the applicable Holders of Securities to be given within the Initial Consent Period. Any consent given to a proposed supplemental indenture by the Holder of any Securities will be irrevocable and binding on all future Holders or beneficial owners of that Security, irrespective of the execution date of the supplemental indenture. If the Holders of less than the required percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the relevant Securities consent to a proposed supplemental indenture within the Initial Consent Period, on the first Business Day after the Initial Consent Period, the Trustee will notify the Issuer and the Servicer which Holders of Securities have consented to the proposed supplemental indenture and, which Holders (and, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the Trustee, which beneficial owners) have not consented to the proposed supplemental indenture. If it intends to exercise its Amendment Buy-Out Option, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must so notify the Trustee (which notice will designate a date for the Amendment Buy-Out to occur no earlier than 10 Business Days after the date of such notice) no later than five Business Days after the Servicer is so notified by the Trustee and the Trustee will promptly mail such notice to all Noteholders and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares). Any Non-Consenting Holder may give consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture until the 5<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the date of the Amendment Buy-Out designated by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and in such case will cease to be a Non-Consenting Holder for purposes of the Amendment Buy-Out. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser exercises its Amendment Buy-Out Option and purchases the applicable Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, as Holder or beneficial owner of the applicable Securities, may consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture within five Business Days of the Amendment Buy-Out.

It is not necessary for any Act of Noteholders under the above provision to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if the Act or consent approves its substance.

The Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, will mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency a copy of any supplemental indenture promptly after its execution by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee.

### **Additional Issuance of Preference Shares**

The Preference Share Documents will provide that, at any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the proceeds from such issuance and sale to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or as otherwise permitted under the Preference Share Documents and the Indenture; *provided* that the following conditions are met: (a) the terms of the Preference Shares issued must be identical to the terms of previously issued Preference Shares and (b) the net proceeds of any additional Preference Shares are used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations. Such additional Preference Shares may be offered and sold at prices that differ from the initial offering prices of the outstanding Preference Shares; *provided* that the initial offering prices of additional Preference Shares shall not be below 100% of the face amount thereof. The Issuer must cause purchases of additional Preference Shares made pursuant to an additional issuance of Preference Shares to comply individually and in the aggregate with the applicable purchase and transfer restrictions for the Preference Shares set forth herein in "Transfer Restrictions" and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including,

without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

Any additional Preference Shares issued will, to the extent reasonably practicable, be offered by the Issuer first to the existing Holders of the Preference Shares, in such amounts as are necessary to preserve their *pro rata* holdings of the Preference Shares. By its acceptance of the Preference Shares, each Holder of a Preference Share agrees that additional Preference Shares can be issued in accordance with the Preference Share Documents and the Indenture without consent of any Holder of the Securities.

Except as contemplated in connection with a Refinancing, the Indenture does not permit the issuance of additional Class A-1-A Notes, Class A-1-B Notes, Class B Notes, Class C Notes, Class D Notes or Class E Notes or other obligations with terms similar to those of such Classes of Notes. See “— Redemption by Refinancing.”

### **Amendment Buy-Out**

In the case of any supplemental indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Securities held by such Holders of the Class of Securities whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture (the “**Amendment Buy-Out Option**”), in each case, for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; *provided, however*, that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser may not exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option during the Non-Call Period in connection with a proposed amendment to reduce the rate of interest on any Securities or to change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Shares may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all such Securities of Non-Consenting Holders for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an “**Amendment Buy-Out**”); *provided* that if any Non-Consenting Holder holds Class II Preference Shares, such Non-Consenting Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares. By its acceptance of its Securities under the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents, as applicable, each Holder of Securities agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its applicable Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser. Neither the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser nor any other Person shall have any liability to any Holder or beneficial owner of Securities as a result of an election by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser not to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option.

All purchases made pursuant to an Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Securities set forth herein in “Transfer Restrictions” and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

### **Notices**

Notices to the Holders of the Securities will be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the registered Holders of the Notes at their respective addresses appearing in the Indenture Register and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares). If and for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the ISE and the rules of the exchange so require, notice will also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

Any Holder or beneficial owner of any Class A-1-A Notes or Class A-1-B Notes may elect to acquire bond insurance, a surety bond, a credit default swap or similar credit enhancement supporting the payment of principal and/or interest on such Class A-1-A Notes or Class A-1-B Notes on terms and conditions acceptable to such Holder or beneficial owner and at the sole expense of such Holder or beneficial owner. On or after any such acquisition, such Holder or beneficial owner may deliver notice

(and if from a beneficial owner, any such notice shall include certification that such owner is a beneficial owner of the Class A-1-A Notes or Class A-1-B Notes, as applicable) to the Trustee in substantially the form set out in the Indenture, specifying the name and contact information of the insurer, surety, credit protection seller or enhancer of such Class A-1-A Notes or Class A-1-B Notes, as applicable (each, an “**Insurer**”). After receipt of any such notice by the Trustee, the Trustee shall copy the related Insurer on all notices, reports or other documents delivered to the Noteholders.

### **Certain Covenants**

The Indenture contains certain covenants restricting the conduct of the Co-Issuers, including (i) restrictions on consolidations, mergers and transfers or conveyances of assets involving either Co-Issuer, (ii) restrictions on incurrence of debt other than the Notes and certain obligations incidental to the performance by each Co-Issuer of its obligations under the Indenture, (iii) restrictions on the ability of either Co-Issuer to conduct activities inconsistent with its special-purpose nature and (iv) certain restrictions on amendments of the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Servicing Agreement.

### **Certain Additional Issues Relating to Listing of Senior Notes**

Application will be made to admit each Class of Senior Notes to the Official List of the ISE. There can be no assurance that any such admission will be granted or maintained.

The Indenture provides that, so long as any Senior Notes remain Outstanding, the Co-Issuers shall use all reasonable efforts to obtain and maintain the listing of the Senior Notes on the regulated market of the ISE; *provided* that the Co-Issuers will not be required to maintain a listing on a stock exchange in the European Union if compliance with requirements of the European Commission on a member state becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer.

### **Cancellation**

All Securities that are paid in full or redeemed and surrendered for cancellation will forthwith be canceled and may not be reissued or resold.

### **No Gross-Up**

All payments made by the Issuer under the Securities will be made without any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax unless the deduction or withholding is required by any applicable law, as modified by the practice of any relevant governmental revenue authority, then in effect. If the Issuer is so required to deduct or withhold, then the Issuer will not be obligated to pay any additional amounts in respect of the withholding or deduction.

### **Petitions for Bankruptcy**

The Indenture provides that the Trustee, each Hedge Counterparty, the Servicer and the Holders of the Notes may not cause the Issuer or Co-Issuer to petition for bankruptcy before one year and one day have elapsed since the final payments to the Holders of all Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, including any period established pursuant to the laws of the Cayman Islands.

### **Standard of Conduct**

The Indenture provides that, in exercising any of its or their voting rights, rights to direct and consent or any other rights as a Noteholder under the Indenture, subject to the terms and conditions of the Indenture, a Noteholder shall not have any obligation or duty to any Person or to consider or take into account the interests of any Person and shall not be liable to any Person for any action taken by it or them or at its or their direction or any failure by it or them to act or to direct that an action be taken, without regard to whether the action or inaction benefits or adversely affects any Noteholder, the Issuer, or any other Person, except for any liability to which the Noteholder may be subject to the extent the same

results from the Noteholder's taking or directing an action, or failing to take or direct an action, in bad faith or in violation of the express terms of the Indenture.

### **Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture**

The Indenture will be discharged with respect to the Collateral upon delivery to the Trustee for cancellation of all of the Notes, or, within certain limitations (including the obligation to pay interest on or principal of the Notes) upon deposit with the Trustee of funds sufficient for the payment or redemption thereof and the payment by the Co-Issuers or the Issuer, as applicable, of all other amounts due under the Indenture.

### **Trustee**

Investors Bank & Trust Company will be the Trustee under the Indenture. The Co-Issuers, the Servicer and their respective Affiliates may maintain other banking relationships in the ordinary course of business with the Trustee and its Affiliates. The payment of the fees and expenses of the Trustee relating to the Notes is solely the obligation of the Issuer. The payment of the fees and expenses, which will be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments, is secured by a lien on the Collateral which is senior to the lien of the Holders of the Notes. The Trustee and its Affiliates may receive compensation in connection with the purchase of trust assets in certain Eligible Investments as provided in the Indenture. Eligible Investments may include assets for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee is the obligor or depository institution or provide services. The Indenture contains provisions for the indemnification of the Trustee for any loss, liability or expense (including reasonable attorney's fees and costs) incurred without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of the Indenture.

Pursuant to the Indenture, as security for the payment by the Issuer of the compensation and expenses of the Trustee and any sums the Trustee may be entitled to receive as indemnification by the Issuer, the Issuer will grant the Trustee a senior lien on the Collateral, which is senior to the lien of the holders of the Secured Obligations on the Collateral.

Pursuant to the Indenture, the Trustee may resign at any time by providing 30 days' written notice to the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Holders of each Class of Notes, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency, upon receipt of which the Co-Issuers shall by board resolution (or, if an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class) promptly appoint a successor trustee that meets the requirements set forth in the Indenture. If no successor trustee is appointed within 60 days after such notice, the resigning Trustee or any Holder of a Class of Notes may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of such successor. The Trustee may be removed (i) at any time by the Co-Issuers as directed by board resolution (or, if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, by a Majority of the Controlling Class) or (ii) by order of a court of competent jurisdiction. If at any time the Trustee ceases to be an eligible trustee under the Indenture and fails to resign after written request by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class, or the Trustee becomes incapable of acting or is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent, then (A) the Co-Issuers may, and at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall, remove the Trustee, or (B) any Holder of a Security may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor trustee. If the Trustee is removed or becomes incapable of acting, or if a vacancy occurs in the office of the Trustee for any reason (other than resignation), the Co-Issuers shall promptly appoint a successor trustee. If the Co-Issuers fail to appoint a successor trustee within 60 days after the removal or incapability or the occurrence of the vacancy, a successor trustee may be appointed by a Majority of the Controlling Class by written instrument. If no successor trustee has been so appointed by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class, then the Trustee to be replaced or any Holder of a Security, may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor trustee. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, no resignation or removal of the Trustee will become effective until the acceptance of appointment by a successor trustee pursuant to the terms of the Indenture.



## **Governing Law**

The Notes, the Indenture, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Subscription Agreements, the Securities Lending Agreements, and the Hedge Agreements will be governed by the laws of the State of New York. The Administration Agreement and the Issuer Charter will be governed by the laws of the Cayman Islands.

## **Method of Payments**

Payments of principal and interest on any Note or payments on or in respect of the Preference Shares (including any Redemption Price paid on the applicable Redemption Date) and of any payments on any Notes or Preference Shares will be made to the person in whose name the related Note or Preference Share is registered 15 days before the applicable Payment Date (the “**Record Date**”). Payments will be made (i) in the case of a Global Note, to the Depository or its designee and to the Holder or its nominee with respect to a Definitive Security, by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a United States dollar account maintained by the Depository or its nominee with respect to a Global Note and to the Holder or its designee with respect to a Definitive Security if the Holder has provided written wiring instructions to the Trustee and, if the payment is to be made by the Irish Paying Agent, the Irish Paying Agent on or before the related Record Date or, (ii) if appropriate wiring instructions are not received by the related Record Date, by check drawn on a U.S. bank mailed to the address of the Holder in the Indenture Register (or, in the case of the Preference Shares, the Preference Share register). Final payments of principal of the Notes or Preference Shares will be made against surrender of the related Notes or Preference Shares at the office designated by the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent. None of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers, any paying agent, or any of their respective affiliates will have any responsibility or liability for any aspects of the records maintained by the Depository or its nominee or any of its direct or indirect participants (including Euroclear or Clearstream or any of their respective direct or indirect participants) relating to payments made on account of beneficial interests in a Global Note.

The Co-Issuers expect that the Depository or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment of principal or interest in respect of a Global Note held by the Depository or its nominee, will immediately credit participants’ accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the Global Note as shown on the records of the Depository or its nominee. The Co-Issuers also expect that payments by participants (i.e., direct participants) to owners of beneficial interests in a Global Note held through the participants (i.e., indirect participants) will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers registered in the names of nominees for the customers. The payments will be the responsibility of the participants.

For so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the ISE and the rules of the exchange shall so require, the Issuer and the Co-Issuers, as applicable, will have the Irish Paying Agent for the Senior Notes in Ireland and payments on the Senior Notes may be effected through the Irish Paying Agent. If the Irish Paying Agent is replaced at any time during the period, notice of the appointment of any replacement will be given to the Company Announcements Office of the ISE.

## **Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement**

### *General*

Pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agent will perform various fiscal services with respect to the Preference Shares on behalf of the Issuer, including the maintenance of the Preference Shares Distribution Account and the making of distributions on the Preference Shares. The Preference Shares Paying Agent will deliver or request the Trustee to deliver all Monthly Reports and Valuation Reports prepared pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of

the Preference Shares, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deliver, or shall cause the Trustee to deliver, a copy of any other notice or information it receives from the Trustee under the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case (i) by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to each Holder of a Preference Share at the address appearing in the Preference Share register or (ii) with respect to delivery of Monthly Reports and Valuation Reports, by making such reports available via its internet website, initially located at <http://www.cdocalc.com/ibt/cdo/>. All information made available on the Preference Shares Paying Agent's website will be restricted and the Preference Shares Paying Agent will only provide access to such reports to those parties entitled thereto pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. In connection with providing access to its website, the Preference Shares Paying Agent may require registration and the acceptance of a disclaimer. Questions regarding the Preference Shares Paying Agent's website can be directed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent's customer service desk at (617) 937-5585. The payment of the fees and expenses of the Preference Shares Paying Agent is solely the obligation of the Issuer. The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement contains provisions for the indemnification of the Preference Shares Paying Agent for any loss, liability or expense incurred without gross negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith on its part, arising out of or in connection with the performance of its function under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

#### *Redemption*

On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Issuer is scheduled to redeem the Preference Shares for a redemption price equal to all amounts distributable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares as provided under “—Priority of Payments,” unless the Preference Shares have been redeemed earlier through an optional redemption as described herein or otherwise.

#### *Governing Law*

The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York. The rights of the Holders of the Preference Shares will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the Cayman Islands.

#### *Redesignation of Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares*

The Share Registrar will record in the register maintained by it which Preference Shares are held by HFP or any of its subsidiaries. Such Preference Shares will be designated by the Share Registrar as Class II Preference Shares. Any transfer of Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to any Person other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries will require redesignation by the Share Registrar of such Class II Preference Shares into Class I Preference Shares and any transfer of Class I Preference Shares to HFP or any of its subsidiaries will require redesignation by the Share Registrar of such Class I Preference Shares into Class II Preference Shares.

#### *Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities*

If the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, desires to make distributions of Eligible Equity Securities on any Payment Date in lieu of Interest Proceeds that are otherwise available for distribution to the Holders of Preference Shares on such Payment Date pursuant to the Priority of Payments, the Servicer will notify the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent not later than 20 calendar days prior to such Payment Date and provide the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding on the Record Date or promptly thereafter, but in any event no later than two Business Days after the Record Date, to each Holder of the Preference Shares registered as such on the Record Date for such Payment Date) with (i) details of the Eligible Equity Securities to be distributed, (ii) the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities determined as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date, (iii) any other information considered necessary by the Servicer in connection with such proposed distribution and (iv) any information as otherwise required by the Trustee and/or the Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such proposed distribution. The Preference Shares Paying Agent will then mail such materials, within two Business Days of its receipt thereof from the Servicer, to each registered Holder of Preference

Shares on the Record Date for such Payment Date along with a form of notice and consent (in a form attached to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement) seeking the written consent of each such Holder of Preference Shares to distribute such Eligible Equity Securities to such Holder in lieu of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date. Each Holder of the Preference Shares wishing to receive such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of a distribution of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such applicable Payment Date (each such Holder with respect to such Payment Date, a “**Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares**”) must deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent a written consent (which consent will be irrevocable) not later than five Business Days prior to such Payment Date. If any Holder of Preference Shares does not timely deliver its written consent to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in the manner set forth in such notice indicating its consent to the receipt of such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of a distribution of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date, such Holder will be deemed to have not given its consent and shall not be a Consenting Holder of Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. On each applicable Payment Date (or as soon thereafter as reasonably practicable), Eligible Equity Securities will be distributed *pro rata* to each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. Each Holder of Preference Shares that is not a Consenting Holder of Preference Shares (and, for the avoidance of doubt, each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares to the extent the Market Value as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date of the *pro rata* portion of Eligible Equity Securities distributed to it on such Payment Date is less than the *pro rata* portion of the Interest Proceeds that it would have received on such Payment Date had the Eligible Equity Securities not been distributed on such Payment Date) on any applicable Payment Date will receive a distribution of Interest Proceeds to the extent available in accordance with the Priority of Payments on such Payment Date. See “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

#### *Amendment*

*Without the Consent of Holders.* The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement may be amended by the parties thereto, without the consent of the Holders of any Preference Shares, for the purpose of curing any ambiguity, or of curing, correcting or supplementing any defective provision contained therein, or in regard to matters or questions arising under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement as the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem necessary or desirable and which shall not materially adversely affect the interests of Holders of the Preference Shares. In addition, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement may be amended without the consent of any Holders of the Preference Shares and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Preference Shares in order to prevent the Issuer from becoming an “investment company” as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); *provided* that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such amendment, each of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer shall have received a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such amendment, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

*With the Consent of Holders.* Unless otherwise set forth in the preceding paragraph, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement may be amended with the consent of Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares materially and adversely affected thereby.

Any amendment to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement must be in writing, executed by each party thereto. The Preference Shares Paying Agent is entitled to receive, and (subject to the terms of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an opinion of counsel, consent or certificate of the Issuer in determining whether or not any proposed amendment is permitted under Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

Any amendment to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement that would also necessitate a change to the Issuer Charter may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Issuer Charter) has been passed to permit the Issuer Charter to be altered to conform with such proposed amendment.

### **The Issuer Charter**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Issuer Charter relating to the Preference Shares that are not referred to elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum.

#### *Voting Rights*

Other than as provided below, only the holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares shall have the right to receive notice of, attend at and vote as a shareholder of the Issuer at any general meeting of the Issuer. Every holder of an Issuer Ordinary Share present at any meeting shall, on a show of hands, be entitled to one vote and, on a poll, shall be entitled to one vote per Issuer Ordinary Share held by such holder.

Other than as provided below, the Holders of the Preference Shares shall have the right to receive notice of, attend at and vote as a shareholder of the Issuer at any general meeting of the Issuer only in respect of a resolution which relates to any circumstance or matter which under the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents or the Servicing Agreement can take place or occur only at the direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares (a “**Preference Share Vote**”). Every Holder of Preference Shares present shall, on a show of hands, be entitled to one vote and, on a poll, shall be entitled to one vote per Preference Share held by such Holder except that, in relation to a Preference Share Vote relating to certain matters (as set out in the Indenture) Preference Shares held by certain Holders (as set out in the Indenture), shall be ignored.

The Class II Preference Shares will have total control with respect to the appointment and removal of the directors of the Issuer as long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is higher than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date. If the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding as of the relevant Voting Record Date is lower than or equal to the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding as of such date, only the Issuer Ordinary Shares will be entitled to vote with respect to the appointment and removal of the directors of the Issuer.

#### *Liquidation*

In the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Issuer:

(i) the Holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares at the time outstanding will be entitled to receive out of the assets of the Issuer available for distribution to shareholders, before any distribution of assets is made to Holders of the Preference Shares, an amount equal to U.S.\$2.00 in respect of each Issuer Ordinary Share held by each such holder; and

(ii) the Holders of the Preference Shares at the time Outstanding will be entitled to the balance of the assets of the Issuer available for distribution to shareholders, after distribution of amounts due to holders of Issuer Ordinary Shares under the above subparagraph, *pro rata* according to the number of Preference Shares held by each such holder.

If the assets available for distribution to holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares are not sufficient to pay to such holders U.S.\$2.00 in respect of each Issuer Ordinary Share, the available assets shall be distributed to holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares *pro rata* according to the number of Issuer Ordinary Shares held by each such holder.

*Transfer*

The rights of a Holder of a Preference Share to transfer such Preference Share are subject to restrictions set out in the Preference Share Documents and as described in “Transfer Restrictions.”

*Petitions for Bankruptcy*

Each Holder of a Preference Share will be required to agree (or be deemed to have agreed) not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect.

**USE OF PROCEEDS**

The Securities will be issued and sold for Cash on the Closing Date. The gross proceeds from the issuance of such Securities on the Closing Date are expected to equal approximately U.S.\$1,000,000,000 and will be used by the Issuer to:

- purchase a portfolio of Collateral Obligations;
- fund the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to cover any future draws on Revolving Loans and Delayed Drawdown Loans;
- enter into any Hedge Agreements, as applicable;
- enter into Synthetic Security Agreements (and correspondingly to fund the related accounts);
- repay loans made by the Pre-Closing Parties to finance the Issuer’s pre-closing acquisition of loans;
- fund the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account;
- pay certain expenses related to the transaction; and
- undertake certain related activities.

**SECURITY FOR THE NOTES**

The Notes and the Issuer’s obligations under the Hedge Agreements and the Servicing Agreement will be secured by the following:

- (i) the Collateral Obligations and all Workout Assets;
- (ii) the Custodial Account, the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Securities Lending Account (such accounts, collectively, the “**Issuer Accounts**”), Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, and all income from funds in the Issuer Accounts;
- (iii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account (and together with the Issuer Accounts, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account and the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the “**Accounts**”) and assets included therein, subject to the terms of the related Synthetic Security (*provided, however*, that any such rights in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in trust by the

Trustee (or securities intermediary) first to secure the Issuer's payment obligations to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty and second for the benefit of the Secured Parties);

(iv) the Servicing Agreement, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Securities Lending Agreements and all Securities Lending Collateral and the Securities Lending Account, the Hedge Agreements as set forth in the Indenture and all Collateral securing the Hedge Counterparty's obligations thereunder including, without limitation, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account and the Collateral Administration Agreement to the extent of any rights of the Issuer therein;

(v) all Cash or money delivered to the Trustee (or its bailee); and

(vi) all proceeds with respect to the foregoing (collectively, the "**Collateral**").

For the avoidance of any doubt, Collateral will exclude (i) amounts released from the Trustee's lien in connection with certain Synthetic Securities, Hedge Agreements and Securities Lending Agreements in accordance with the Indenture and (ii) the Excluded Property.

### **Purchase of Collateral Obligations**

The Indenture will provide that the Servicer will use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the Issuer to purchase or enter into binding commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations that meet certain minimum amounts and characteristics. The composition of the portfolio of Collateral Obligations will be determined by the selections of the Servicer designed to meet the Eligibility Criteria, the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests and the requirements provided in paragraphs (i) through (ix) in "—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations." See "—Eligibility Criteria," "—The Collateral Quality Tests," "—The Coverage Tests" and "—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations."

The Servicer expects that, by the end of the Ramp-Up Period, the Issuer will have purchased or committed to purchase Collateral Obligations having an Aggregate Principal Balance of approximately U.S.\$981,300,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date).

### **Eligibility Criteria**

On any date during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, on any date after the Replacement Period), so long as no Event of Default is continuing, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to apply Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations) to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) if the conditions specified in the Indenture are satisfied. No obligations may be purchased unless each of the conditions in the following clauses (1) through (12) (the "**Eligibility Criteria**") is satisfied as evidenced by a certificate of the Servicer as of the date the Issuer commits to make the purchase, in each case after giving effect to the purchase and all other purchases and sales previously or simultaneously committed to:

- (1) the obligation is a Collateral Obligation;
- (2) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period:

- (A) each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied and, if the commitment is made on or after the second Payment Date, each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied; or
- (B) if any such Coverage Test is not satisfied, both:
  - (i) the extent of satisfaction of the Coverage Test is not reduced; and
  - (ii) the Collateral Obligation is being purchased with Principal Proceeds other than:
    - (x) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or
    - (y) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Workout Asset that has been received in exchange for a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
- (3) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Diversity Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (4) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced; *provided* that the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor does not exceed 2750 or, if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor exceeds 2750 prior to giving effect to such purchase or sale, the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor is not increased;
- (5) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, each of the limits in the definition of "Concentration Limitations" is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (6) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (7) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (8) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (9) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (10) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;
- (11) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced; *provided, however*, that this Eligibility Criterion (11) shall not apply either to the application of the proceeds from the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset or to the application of Principal Proceeds in respect of Defaulted Collateral Obligations; and
- (12) for any date occurring after the Replacement Period:

(A) each Coverage Test is satisfied and the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(B) each Collateral Quality Test (other than the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test) is maintained or improved and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied; *provided* that the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor does not exceed 2750 or, if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor exceeds 2750 prior to giving effect to such purchase or sale, the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor is not increased and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied;

(C) each Concentration Limitation is maintained or improved and the Aggregate Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations do not exceed 7.5% of the Maximum Amount;

(D) the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied;

(E) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation is at least equal to the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments or of the Credit Risk Obligations or Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable; and

(F) the current Moody's Rating on the Class A-1-A Notes and the Class A-1-B Notes is "Aaa" and the current Moody's Ratings on the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes are no lower than one subcategory below their initial rating.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to purchase any Collateral Obligation following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal or resignation pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement until a successor servicer is appointed pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement. See "The Servicing Agreement."

The Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, exchange a Collateral Obligation for another Collateral Obligation in an exchange of one security for another security of the same issuers that has substantially identical terms except transfer restrictions.

Cash on deposit in the Collection Account may be held in Eligible Investments in accordance with this "Eligibility Criteria" section pending the application thereof to purchase Collateral Obligations.

The Indenture provides that any sale or purchase by the Issuer of a Collateral Obligation shall be conducted on an arm's length basis and, if effected with the Servicer or a person Affiliated with the Servicer or any fund or account for which the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer acts as investment adviser, shall be effected in accordance with the requirements the Servicing Agreement on terms no less favorable to the Issuer than would be the case if the person were not so Affiliated.

### **The Collateral Quality Tests**

The Collateral Quality Tests will be used primarily as criteria for purchasing Collateral Obligations. See "—Eligibility Criteria" above and "—Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Collateral Obligations" below. The Collateral Quality Tests are described below.

Measurement of the degree of compliance with the Collateral Quality Tests will be required on each Measurement Date on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

#### *The Diversity Test*

The "**Diversity Test**" is a test that will be satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Diversity Score as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score. For the purposes of calculating the Diversity Test, any Structured Finance Obligation that is (i) a collateralized loan



obligation, (ii) any Synthetic Security with respect to which the Reference Obligation is a collateralized loan obligation or (iii) any Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time will be disregarded.

*Weighted Average Life Test*

The “**Weighted Average Life Test**” is a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the greater of (a) the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and August 1, 2017 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date and (b) 3 years.

*Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test*

The “**Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test**” is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 43.3%.

*Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test*

The “**Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test**” is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Recovery Rate for each Class of Notes is greater than or equal to: (i) with respect to the Class A Notes, 63.0%; (ii) with respect to the Class B Notes, 65.0%; (iii) with respect to the Class C Notes, 67.0%; (iv) with respect to the Class D Notes, 69.0%; and (v) with respect to the Class E Notes, 72.0%.

*Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test*

The “**Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test**” is a test that is satisfied if, as of any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 7.5%.

*Weighted Average Spread Test*

The “**Weighted Average Spread Test**” is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread.

*Weighted Average Rating Factor Test*

The “**Weighted Average Rating Factor Test**” is a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of the Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor.

*S&P CDO Monitor Test*

The “**S&P CDO Monitor Test**” is a test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive. The S&P CDO Monitor Test shall be considered to be improved if each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is at least equal to the corresponding Note Class Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio. The S&P CDO Monitor Test is not required to be satisfied or improved upon the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation and the application of the related Sale Proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations. For purposes of the S&P CDO Monitor Test:

- (i) the S&P Rating of any S&P Unrated DIP Loan shall be “CCC;” and
- (ii) the S&P Industry Classification for a Synthetic Security shall be that of the related Reference Obligation and not the Synthetic Security.

The “**Note Class Loss Differential**” with respect to any Measurement Date and any Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the rate calculated by subtracting the Class Scenario Loss Rate for the Class from the then-applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate for the Class of Notes.

The “**Note Break-Even Loss Rate**” with respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the maximum percentage of defaults that the Current Portfolio or Proposed Portfolio can sustain and nevertheless sufficient funds will remain for the payment of principal of the Class of Notes in full by its Stated Maturity and the timely payment of interest on the Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes and the Class B Notes and the ultimate payment of interest on the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes using S&P’s assumptions on recoveries, defaults, and timing, and taking into account the Priority of Payments and the adjusted Weighted Average Spread level specified in the applicable row of the table below. The adjusted Weighted Average Spread as of any Measurement Date is the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date *minus* the amount of any Spread Excess added to the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon as of the Measurement Date.

<b>Row</b>	<b>Adjusted Weighted Average Spread</b>
1	Greater than or equal to 3.00%
2	Greater than or equal to 2.90% but less than 3.00%
3	Greater than or equal to 2.80% but less than 2.90%
4	Greater than or equal to 2.70% but less than 2.80%
5	Greater than or equal to 2.60% but less than 2.70%
6	Greater than or equal to 2.50% but less than 2.60%
7	Greater than or equal to 2.40% but less than 2.50%
8	Greater than or equal to 2.30% but less than 2.40%
9	Greater than or equal to 2.20% but less than 2.30%

## **The Coverage Tests**

### *General*

The Coverage Tests will be used to determine, among other things, whether Notes will be redeemed in certain circumstances as described under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments” and whether additional Collateral Obligations may be acquired as described under “—Eligibility Criteria.” There will not be any Coverage Test applicable to the Preference Shares.

### *The Overcollateralization Tests*

The “**Overcollateralization Tests**” will consist of the Class A/B Overcollateralization Test, the Class C Overcollateralization Test, the Class D Overcollateralization Test and the Class E Overcollateralization Test.

Each Overcollateralization Test will be satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes on any Measurement Date if, as of such Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the specified required level for the Class indicated in the table in “Summary of Terms—The Overcollateralization Tests.”

The Overcollateralization Ratio, with respect to each Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, is referred to as an “**Overcollateralization Ratio**,” and is the ratio calculated by *dividing*:

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator; by
- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it (excluding any Deferred Interest on the Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it).

The “**Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator**” is, on any date, the sum of:

- (1) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (other than any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, any Deep Discount Obligations and any Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an “event of default” (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing); *plus*
- (2) unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal (excluding any unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal in respect of Non-Performing Collateral Obligations); *plus*
- (3) the Aggregate Principal Balance of any Eligible Investments that were purchased with Principal Proceeds and the amount of Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
- (4) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Eligible Investments on deposit in a Securities Lending Account that relate to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an “event of default” (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing; *plus*
- (5) with respect to Collateral Obligations that are Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, Deep Discount Obligations or Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, the amount determined by using one of the following methods applicable to such type of Collateral Obligation; *provided* that if a Collateral Obligation falls within more than one of such types, the Issuer will be required to use the method that results in the smallest amount:
  - (A) with respect to any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, an amount equal to the product of (i) the CCC+/Caa1 Excess Market Value Percentage, *multiplied* by (ii) the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations;
  - (B) with respect to any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, the aggregate of the Applicable Collateral Obligation Amounts for all included Non-Performing Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations that have been held by the Issuer for more than three years, which shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this clause (B)); and
  - (C) with respect to any Deep Discount Obligations, the Aggregate Purchase Price Amount for all Deep Discount Obligations.

“**Applicable Collateral Obligation Amount**” for any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation means:

- (1) the lesser of (x) the Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation and (y) the Applicable Percentage for the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation *multiplied* by:
- (2) if the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation is:

- (A) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (B) through (D) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (B) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (C) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and
- (D) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

As used in the calculation of Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation, the Principal Balance of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall be, if the Defaulted Collateral Obligation is:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (ii) through (iv) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and
- (iv) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

#### *The Interest Coverage Tests*

The Interest Coverage Test in respect of each Class of Notes (each an “**Interest Coverage Test**”) is a test the first Measurement Date for which will be on the second Payment Date and that is satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level specified in the table in “Summary of Terms— The Interest Coverage Tests.”

The “**Interest Coverage Ratio**” with respect to any specified Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by dividing:

- (i) the sum of:
  - (A) the Interest Proceeds received or scheduled to be received with respect to the Due Period in which the Measurement Date occurs; *minus*
  - (B) amounts payable under clauses (1), (2), (3) and (4) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” on the related Payment Date; by
- (ii) all accrued and unpaid interest on the specified Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to the Class, including any Deferred Interest on the related Payment Date.

For purposes of the Interest Coverage Ratio, only the amount of any interest payment (including any “gross up” payment) on any Collateral Obligation in excess of any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction on any date of determination shall be included in Interest Proceeds.

*Retention Overcollateralization Test*

The “**Retention Overcollateralization Test**” is a test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date during the Replacement Period on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Retention Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 103.3%.

**Ramp-Up**

In connection with the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer shall use its best efforts to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period or enter into commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period for purchase on or as soon as practicable thereafter (not to exceed 60 days thereafter), in each case, for inclusion in the Collateral so that the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes is at least U.S.\$981,300,000.

No Collateral Obligations may be purchased prior to the Ramp-Up Completion Date unless immediately following the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (as certified by the Servicer in writing), the remaining funds in the Collection Account, after giving effect to such purchase, are sufficient as of the date of determination to purchase Collateral Obligations for inclusion in the Collateral so that the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes is at least U.S.\$981,300,000 (taking into account the Collateral Obligations already part of the Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date)).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, or any other provision of the Indenture, if the Issuer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase a Collateral Obligation to be included in the Collateral, such commitment initially not to exceed 60 days, and at the time of the commitment the Collateral Obligation complied with the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and the requirements set forth under “—Ramp-Up,” the Issuer may consummate the purchase of the Collateral Obligation notwithstanding that the Collateral Obligation fails to comply with the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and the requirements set out above on the date of settlement.

The Issuer will use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase, or to enter into binding agreements to purchase, Collateral Obligations by the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that, together with the Collateral Obligations purchased on or before the Closing Date and then held by the Issuer, will satisfy, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date), the Collateral Quality Tests, the Concentration Limitations, the criteria set forth in the Indenture and the Overcollateralization Tests.

No later than five Business Days after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer or the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) shall deliver a Ramp-Up Notice to each of the Rating Agencies and request in writing that each of S&P and Moody’s confirm in writing within 25 days of delivery of such Ramp-Up Notice that it has not reduced or withdrawn the Initial Ratings; *provided*, however, that the Issuer shall not be required to request a Rating Confirmation from Moody’s if, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date Moody’s has received, as described below, an accountant’s certificate confirming (i) the Issuer is in compliance with each of the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests and the Concentration Limits and (ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owns or has committed to purchase is at least equal to \$981,300,000. In connection with such request or, in the case of Moody’s, in lieu of such request, the Issuer shall provide a report to the Rating Agencies identifying the Collateral Obligations then included in the Collateral and the Issuer shall obtain and deliver to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies, together with the delivery of a report (and, with respect to S&P, the Excel Default Model Input File and, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, the name of the obligor thereon and the CUSIP number thereof (if applicable)) substantially in the form of a Monthly Report as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, an accountants’ certificate:

(i) confirming the maturity date, rating, spread and recovery rate for each item of original Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date and the information provided by the Issuer with respect to every other asset included in the Collateral, by reference to such sources as shall be specified therein;

(ii) confirming that as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date:

(1) each of the Coverage Tests are satisfied;

(2) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owned or committed to purchase as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date is at least equal to the Maximum Amount; and

(3) the Collateral Obligations comply with all of the requirements of the Collateral Quality Tests and the Concentration Limitations and the criteria set forth in “—Eligibility Criteria;” and

(iii) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing statements.

If the Issuer is unable to obtain a requested Rating Confirmation from either S&P or, if required, Moody’s with respect to any Class of Notes prior to the date 25 days after the delivery of the Ramp-Up Notice, as described above, a Rating Confirmation Failure will be deemed to have occurred (a “**Rating Confirmation Failure**”). If a Rating Confirmation Failure should occur, the Notes will be redeemed pursuant to the Indenture and as described in “Description of the Securities—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes—Mandatory Redemption of the Notes upon Rating Confirmation Failure.”

#### **Sale of Collateral Obligations; Acquisition of Replacement Collateral Obligations**

Pursuant to the Indenture and so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell (and the Trustee will sell) any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset if the sale meets the requirements in paragraphs (i) through (ix) below:

(i) *Credit Risk Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Risk Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Risk Obligation in accordance with such direction. Following any sale of a Credit Risk Obligation pursuant to the Indenture, at the direction of the Servicer during the Replacement Period, the Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (to the extent the purchase is in the best interest of the Issuer) meeting the Eligibility Criteria with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Sale Proceeds received by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral Obligation sold. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount.

(ii) *Credit Improved Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Improved Obligation if either:

(1) during the Replacement Period, the Servicer has identified in writing before the sale one or more specific manners in which it will be able, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria and the requirements set forth in paragraph (ix) below, to cause the Issuer to use the Sale Proceeds (it being understood that such identification shall not be considered either a requirement or an assurance that any specified purchase will be consummated) to purchase one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the

Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Credit Improved Obligation by the end of the immediately succeeding Due Period (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest) which in aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Tests, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith being improved, (ii) the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests and Concentration Limitations being improved on a net basis in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased; and

- (2) after the Replacement Period, the Sale Proceeds received in respect of the Credit Improved Obligation are at least equal to its Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest);

and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Improved Obligation in accordance with such direction.

- (iii) *Non-Performing Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction. Non-Performing Collateral Obligations may be sold regardless of price.
- (iv) *Non-qualifying Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation (the “**Non-Qualifying Collateral Obligation**”) at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell that obligation in accordance with such direction.
- (v) *Withholding Tax Sales.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation subject to withholding tax at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction.
- (vi) *Optional Redemption.* After the Issuer has notified the Trustee of an Optional Redemption of the Notes, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all or a portion of the Collateral Obligations as contemplated therein if (A) the requirements in respect of an Optional Redemption under the Indenture have been satisfied and (B) the independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to the Indenture have confirmed the calculations contained in any required certificate furnished by the Servicer pursuant to the Indenture’s Note redemption procedure provisions. After the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares have directed an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares in accordance with the Indenture, at the direction of the Servicer,

the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all of the remaining Collateral Obligations (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to clause (i) under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares”) or a portion of the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous directions of Holders of the Preference Shares (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to clause (ii) under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares”) and the Trustee shall sell the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

- (vii) *Rating Confirmation Failure.* After the Servicer has received notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody’s and S&P to confirm the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Securities, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell Collateral Obligations as contemplated in the Indenture and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.
- (viii) *Workout Assets.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Workout Asset at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and regardless of price and the Trustee shall sell the Workout Assets in accordance with such direction.
- (ix) *Supervening Requirement.* Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Issuer (at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise) will not acquire or dispose of a Collateral Obligation or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. For the avoidance of doubt, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise, may direct the Trustee to sell any CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation or Deep Discount Obligation only (a) if it constitutes Credit Risk Obligation or Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or (b) in connection with the Optional Redemption as set out in paragraph (vi) above. The Trustee will have no obligation to monitor compliance by the Issuer or the Servicer with respect to the requirement set out in this paragraph.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation (other than the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation or a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation pursuant to a sale that meets the requirements in paragraph (i) or (iii) above, as applicable) following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement until a successor servicer is appointed pursuant to the provisions of the Servicing Agreement. See “The Servicing Agreement.”

#### **Certain Determinations Relating to Collateral Obligations**

The Indenture provides that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained therein, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have purchased any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to purchase, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to receive such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have acquired, granted or delivered, as the case may be, such Collateral Obligations on such date.

The Indenture provides that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained therein, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to sell, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to sell, and requiring the



purchaser to purchase, such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold such Collateral Obligations on such date.

Under the circumstances described in the two preceding paragraphs, if the transaction contemplated by the contract, commitment letter, confirmation or due bill referred to therein does not settle on or before the 60<sup>th</sup> day following the scheduled settlement date (the “**Deadline**”), the deemed purchase or sale shall be deemed not to have occurred; *provided, however*, that the Servicer shall have the right to extend the Deadline for an additional period (not to exceed an additional 60 days) by notice to the Trustee, which notice shall include the Servicer’s certification to the effect that the Servicer believes that the settlement shall occur on or before the extended Deadline.

Scheduled distributions with respect to any Pledged Collateral Obligation shall be determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Indenture.

### **The Accounts**

The Indenture provides that the Trustee will establish separate segregated non-interest bearing trust accounts, which will be designated as the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Custodial Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Securities Lending Account and the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account. In addition, Synthetic Security Counterparty Accounts may also be established. The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement provides that the Preference Shares Paying Agency will establish a segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Preference Shares Distribution Account. Any account may contain any number of subaccounts.

*Collection Account.* The Trustee shall deposit into the “**Collection Account**”:

- (i) any funds transferred from (1) the Closing Date Expense Account pursuant to the Indenture or (2) the Interest Reserve Account pursuant to the Indenture;
- (ii) all Principal Proceeds (unless (1) simultaneously used to purchase Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture, (2) deposited into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or (3) posted by the Issuer as cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer’s purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security or in Eligible Investments) received by the Trustee;
- (iii) all Interest Proceeds received by the Trustee (unless simultaneously used to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Indenture or in Eligible Investments); and
- (iv) all other funds received by the Trustee from the Collateral and not excluded above.

The Issuer and the Servicer may, but will not be required to, jointly deposit from time to time any monies in the Collection Account it deems, in its sole discretion, to be advisable (and may designate any amounts so deposited as Principal Proceeds or Interest Proceeds in its discretion).

Any Principal Proceeds received during the Replacement Period, and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments received after the Replacement Period, which have not been used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations on the Business Day of receipt shall be deposited in the Collection Account and shall at the direction of the Servicer be applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the other requirements set forth in the Indenture or the purchase of Eligible Investments pending such application or used to enter into additional Hedge Agreements or used

in connection with a Special Redemption. Principal Proceeds (other than Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations, Credit Risk Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments) received after the Replacement Period shall be deposited into the Collection Account and applied to the purchase of Eligible Investments.

The Collection Account shall be maintained for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer and each Hedge Counterparty and amounts on deposit in the Collection Account will be available for application in the order of priority under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments” and for the acquisition of Collateral Obligations under the circumstances and pursuant to the requirements in the Indenture. Amounts received in the Collection Account during a Due Period and amounts received in prior Due Periods and retained in the Collection Account under the circumstances stated above in “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments” will be applied in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions). All proceeds deposited in the Collection Account will be retained therein unless used to purchase Collateral Obligations during the Replacement Period (or, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period) in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria, to honor commitments with respect thereto entered into during or after the Replacement Period, or used as otherwise permitted under the Indenture. See “—Eligibility Criteria.”

The Trustee shall transfer to the Payment Account from the Collection Account for application pursuant to the Priority of Payments, no later than the Business Day preceding each Payment Date, the amount set forth to be so transferred in the Valuation Report for the Payment Date.

At any time during or after the Replacement Period, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to pay from amounts on deposit in the Collection Account on any Business Day during any Interest Period from Interest Proceeds only, any Administrative Expenses that require payment before the next Payment Date to the extent that the amount of the payments does not exceed the aggregate amount that may be paid on the next payment Date under, and at the level of priority specified by, “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.”

**Custodial Account.** The Trustee will from time to time deposit collateral into the “**Custodial Account**,” over which the Trustee will have exclusive control and sole right of withdrawal, in accordance with the Indenture. All assets or securities at any time on deposit in or otherwise to the credit of the Custodial Account will be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer and each Hedge Counterparty.

**Revolving Reserve Account and Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account.** Upon the purchase of any Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, at the direction of the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit Principal Proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account, in the case of a Revolving Loan, and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, in the case of a Delayed Drawdown Loan, each equal to the unfunded commitment amount of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, respectively, and the Principal Proceeds so deposited shall be considered part of the Purchase Price of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan for purposes of the Indenture. At the direction of the Servicer at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall withdraw funds from the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to fund extensions of credit pursuant to Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans, respectively. In addition, to the extent that the Issuer receives proceeds of a repayment in respect of a Revolving Loan (except to the extent of any concurrent commitment reduction) at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall deposit the proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account.

Upon the sale of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan in whole or in part or the reduction in part or termination of the Issuer’s commitment thereunder, an amount on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, as the case may be, specified by the Servicer as being equal to (i) the unfunded amount of the commitment (in the case of a sale in whole

or a termination of the commitment), (ii) the proportionate amount of the amount on deposit (in the case of a sale in part) or (iii) the amount by which the commitment is reduced (in the case of a reduction thereof in part), shall be transferred by the Trustee to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds.

Amounts on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account will be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) not later than the Business Day after the date of their purchase. All interest and other income from amounts in the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account under the Indenture shall be considered Interest Proceeds in the Due Period in which they are so deposited.

*Synthetic Security Collateral Account.* On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Synthetic Security the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the non-interest bearing trust account established for Synthetic Security Collateral (the “**Synthetic Security Collateral Account**”) with respect to the Synthetic Security. All Synthetic Security Collateral posted by any Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Synthetic Security shall be immediately deposited into the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Synthetic Security. On each day on which amounts are payable to the Issuer out of Synthetic Security Collateral, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to withdraw amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in an amount sufficient to make the payment (including any total or partial release of Synthetic Security Collateral). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be:

- (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty to the Issuer under a Synthetic Security if the Synthetic Security becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the Synthetic Security upon any “event of default” under and as defined in the terms of the Synthetic Security, including liquidating the related Synthetic Security Collateral Account; or
- (ii) to return the Synthetic Security Collateral to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty when and as required by the terms of the Synthetic Security, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account will be held in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities not later than one Business Day after their purchase, as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions), and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.* The Trustee will deposit all collateral received from a Hedge Counterparty under any Hedge Agreement into the “**Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.**” The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account will be (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer under a Hedge Agreement if the Hedge Agreement becomes subject to early termination or (ii) to return collateral to the relevant Hedge Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Hedge Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer. Amounts on deposit in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account will be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Closing Date Expense Account.* Amounts deposited in the “**Closing Date Expense Account**” on the Closing Date will be withdrawn to pay certain administrative expenses of the Co-Issuers. On the Payment Date in February 2008 (or, at the discretion of the Servicer, on the Payment Date in November 2007), the Trustee, at the direction of the Servicer in its sole discretion, shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account to the Collection Account as Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds and close the Closing Date Expense Account. Amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense

Account shall be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the second Payment Date as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

*Expense Reimbursement Account.* On any Payment Date and on any date between Payment Dates, the Trustee will apply amounts, if any, in the “**Expense Reimbursement Account**” to the payment of expenses and fees that must be paid between Payment Dates or that are due on that Payment Date under clause (1) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” and the Trustee shall on any Payment Date transfer to the Expense Reimbursement Account an amount equal to the excess, if any of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts due under clause (1) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” to the Expense Reimbursement Account in accordance with clause (2) of “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds.” Amounts on deposit in the Expense Reimbursement Account shall be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions), no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date.

*Securities Lending Account.* The Trustee will deposit all Securities Lending Collateral posted by any Securities Lending Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Securities Lending Agreement in a non-interest bearing trust account (the “**Securities Lending Account**”). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Securities Lending Account will be (i) for application to obligations of the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty to the Issuer under a Securities Lending Agreement if the Securities Lending Agreement becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the Securities Lending Agreement upon any “event of default” under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement, including liquidating the related Securities Lending Collateral or (ii) to return collateral to the Securities Lending Counterparty when and as required by a Securities Lending Agreement. Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions) no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the loaned security or asset that relates to the Securities Lending Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer.

*Payment Account.* The Trustee will deposit collateral into the “**Payment Account**,” over which the Trustee will have exclusive control and sole right of withdrawal, in accordance with the Indenture. All assets or securities at any time on deposit in or otherwise to the credit of the Payment Account will be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer, and each Hedge Counterparty. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Payment Account shall be to pay amounts due and payable on the Notes and to pay Administrative Expenses and other amounts specified in the Indenture, each in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

*Interest Reserve Account.* Amounts deposited in the “**Interest Reserve Account**,” on the Closing Date may be withdrawn at any time before the Payment Date in February 2008 to be transferred, at the discretion of the Servicer, to the Collection Account as Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds. On the Payment Date in February 2008 (or, at the discretion of the Servicer, on the Payment Date in November 2007), the Trustee, at the direction of the Servicer, will transfer all funds on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account to the Collection Account as Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds and close the Interest Reserve Account. Amounts on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account will be held in Eligible Investments with Stated Maturities as directed by the Servicer (which may be in the form of standing instructions), no later than the Business Day before the second Payment Date.

*Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account.* On each Payment Date, to the extent of available funds in accordance with the Priority of Payments, the Trustee will deposit into the “**Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account**” amounts equal to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments. The Servicer has agreed to waive such amounts, which would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as Servicing Fees, on each Payment Date prior to February 3, 2008 and an amount equal to such

waived amount will be distributed by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. With respect to any Payment Date after February 3, 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion (or all) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments; *provided* that with respect to the Payment Date in May 2008 such Class II Preference Share Special Payments will, at a minimum, include amounts that would otherwise constitute a portion of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Payment Date in February 2008 through February 3, 2008. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

*Synthetic Security Counterparty Account.* To the extent that any Synthetic Security requires the Issuer to secure its obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty or to the extent that any Synthetic Security has an unfunded amount payable by the Issuer that does not by its terms require collateral, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee and the Trustee shall establish a segregated non-interest bearing trust account (the “**Synthetic Security Counterparty Account**”) for the Synthetic Security which shall be held in trust for the benefit of the related Synthetic Security Counterparty and over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and the Indenture. In the alternative, a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account may be established with a trustee designated by the Synthetic Security Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that trustee would qualify to be a successor trustee under the Indenture and the account satisfies the other requirements of a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account under the Indenture.

As directed in writing by the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit (or deliver for deposit) into each Synthetic Security Counterparty Account all amounts or securities that are required to secure the obligations of the Issuer in accordance with the related Synthetic Security and, without duplication, an amount equal to the unfunded amount of a Synthetic Security, including the entire notional amount of any Synthetic Security in the form of a credit default swap or other similar transaction. The Servicer shall direct any such deposit only during the Replacement Period and only to the extent that monies are available for the purchase of Collateral Obligations pursuant to the Indenture. Any income received on amounts in the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall, after application in accordance with the relevant Synthetic Security, be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Interest Proceeds.

As directed by the Servicer in writing and in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and the Indenture, amounts on deposit in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in Synthetic Security Collateral.

In connection with the occurrence of a credit event or an event of default or a termination event (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security) under the related Synthetic Security, amounts in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be withdrawn by the Trustee (or the Trustee shall request their withdrawal) and applied toward the payment of any amounts payable by the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the Synthetic Security, as directed by the Servicer in writing. Any excess amounts held in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, or held directly by a Synthetic Security Counterparty, after payment of all amounts owing from the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the related Synthetic Security shall be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Principal Proceeds.

Amounts on deposit in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the Synthetic Security that relates to the

Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer (with the notional amount as the Principal Balance unless a default exists under the applicable Synthetic Security).

### Hedge Agreements

At any time and from time to time on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer and with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, shall enter into the Hedge Agreements and will assign its rights (but none of its obligations) under the Hedge Agreements to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture. The Trustee will, on behalf of the Issuer and in accordance with the Valuation Report, pay amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements on any Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Each Hedge Counterparty will be required to have (i) a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "A1" or higher if the Hedge Counterparty has only a long-term rating; or a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "A2" or higher and a debt rating by Moody's for short-term debt of "P-1" if the Hedge Counterparty has both long-term and short-term ratings and (ii) a short-term debt rating by S&P of not less than "A-1" or, if the Hedge Counterparty does not have a short-term debt rating by S&P, a long-term debt rating of not less than "A+" (the "**Required Rating**").

If at any time a Hedge Counterparty does not have the Required Rating, then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within the applicable period specified in the related Hedge Agreement, either:

- (i) post collateral with the Trustee to secure the Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement (which such Hedge Agreement shall specify that the sufficiency of collateral to be posted shall be subject to Rating Confirmation by S&P), in an amount and of the type specified under the relevant Hedge Agreement; *provided* that the Hedge Counterparty shall, at the time such collateral is first posted, deliver to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Rating Agencies an opinion of counsel of nationally recognized standing in the jurisdiction in which the Hedge Counterparty is incorporated confirming that such collateral will be available in a timely manner upon a bankruptcy of the Hedge Counterparty;
- (ii) obtain a guarantor that has a short-term debt rating by S&P of not less than "A-1" and otherwise has the Required Rating, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition; or
- (iii) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has the Required Rating, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition.

*provided* that failure to take any such steps set forth under paragraphs (i) through (iii) above within 30 days shall be treated as an "Additional Termination Event" under such Hedge Agreement.

If at any time the Hedge Counterparty has (x) no short-term Moody's rating and a long-term Moody's that is below "A3" or (y) both a short-term and long-term Moody's rating and either the long-term Moody's rating that is below "A3" or the short-term Moody's rating that is below "P-2," then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within the applicable period specified in the related Hedge Agreement, either:

- (i) obtain a guarantor that has the Required Rating, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition; or
- (ii) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has the Required Rating, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition;

*provided* that failure to take any such steps set forth under paragraphs (i) and (ii) above shall be treated as an "Additional Termination Event" under such Hedge Agreement.

If at any time the Hedge Counterparty has a long-term unsecured debt rating by S&P below “BBB-,” then the Hedge Counterparty will be required, within 10 days, to replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has the Required Rating, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition; *provided* that failure to do so shall be treated as an “Additional Termination Event” under such Hedge Agreement.

Whenever the Issuer enters into a Hedge Agreement, the Hedge Counterparty thereto shall comply with the then currently applicable rating criteria of each Rating Agency from time to time.

Any payments required to be made under the Hedge Agreements shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments shall be subordinate to interest and principal payments on the Notes and any other payments required to be made by the Issuer under the Hedge Agreements, but senior to distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Indenture.

Unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is otherwise satisfied, following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall promptly (but no later than 60 days after the early termination), and to the extent possible through Hedge Termination Receipts, enter into a replacement hedge, unless, in the exercise of the Servicer’s commercially reasonable judgment, to do so would not be in the best interest of the Issuer and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to not entering into a replacement hedge. In addition, a replacement hedge may not be entered into unless the Issuer provides the Rating Agencies with at least seven Business Days’ prior written notice of its intention to enter into a replacement hedge, together with its form and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the replacement hedge. The Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than a termination resulting from the bankruptcy, insolvency, or similar event with respect to the Hedge Counterparty) to become effective simultaneously with its entering into a replacement hedge. To the extent that (i) the Servicer determines not to replace the Hedge Agreement and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the determination; or (ii) termination is occurring on a Redemption Date, the Hedge Termination Receipts shall become part of Principal Proceeds and be distributed in accordance with the Priority of Payments on the next following Payment Date (or on the Redemption Date, if the Notes are redeemed on the Redemption Date).

The notional amounts of the Hedge Agreements outstanding at any time may be reduced or increased from time to time, by the Issuer, and the Hedge Agreements may be amended, modified, or terminated in accordance with the Hedge Agreements if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the reduction, increase, amendment, modification, or termination, as the case may be.

Each Hedge Agreement may be terminated pursuant to its terms by the Hedge Counterparty upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes (but only after the applicable notice of redemption may no longer be withdrawn pursuant to the Indenture), an acceleration of maturity of the Notes followed by the liquidation of any or all of the Collateral after an Event of Default or the entry into certain amendments to the Indenture without the consent of the Hedge Counterparty. The Hedge Agreement will not be permitted to be terminated by the Issuer as the result of a Default or Event of Default unless any acceleration of maturity of the Notes resulting from the Event of Default is no longer permitted to be rescinded pursuant to the Indenture.

Except for Hedge Agreements entered into on or before the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied.

## Securities Lending

The Indenture permits the Issuer to engage in a limited number of securities lending transactions as described below.

The Servicer may instruct the Trustee to cause Collateral Obligations that are not Defaulted Collateral Obligations to be lent for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers, and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) having long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or guarantors with ratings of at least “A1” (and not “A1” but on credit watch with negative implications) and “P-1” (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody’s and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least “A” or a short-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least “A-1” from S&P (each, a “**Securities Lending Counterparty**”) pursuant to one or more agreements (each, a “**Securities Lending Agreement**”); *provided* that Collateral Obligations the Market Value of which cannot be determined under clause (i), (ii) or (iii) of that definition may not be lent pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement. Upon receipt of an Issuer Order, the Trustee shall release any lent Collateral Obligations to a Securities Lending Counterparty as directed by the Servicer. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Initial Purchasers or Affiliates of the Servicer. The duration of any Securities Lending Agreement shall not exceed the Stated Maturity of the Notes. Collateral Obligations representing no more than 15% (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of the Maximum Amount may be loaned pursuant to Securities Lending Agreements at any time.

Each Securities Lending Agreement shall be on market terms as determined by the Servicer (except to the extent specified in the Indenture) and shall:

- (i) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty return to the Issuer debt obligations that are identical (in terms of issue and class) to the lent Collateral Obligations;
- (ii) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty pay to the Issuer amounts equivalent to all interest and other payments that the owner of the lent Collateral Obligation is entitled to for the period during which the Collateral Obligation is lent and require that any such payments not be subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the Securities Lending Counterparty is required under the Securities Lending Agreement to make “gross-up” payments to the Issuer that cover the full amount of the withholding tax on an after-tax basis;
- (iii) require that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency shall be satisfied with respect to the execution of the Securities Lending Agreement;
- (iv) satisfy any other requirements of Section 1058 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated under it;
- (v) be governed by the laws of New York;
- (vi) permit the Issuer to assign its rights under the Securities Lending Agreement to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture;
- (vii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Collateral Obligation becomes a Credit Risk Obligation or is subject to redemption in accordance with its terms;
- (viii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty upon any redemption of the Notes in whole;
- (ix) require the Securities Lending Counterparty to post with the Trustee collateral consisting of cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the



Securities Lending Agreement to secure its obligation to return the Collateral Obligations or in the alternative post that collateral with a custodian for the benefit of the Issuer designated by the Securities Lending Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that custodian would qualify to be a successor trustee under the Indenture;

- (x) provide that the Securities Lending Collateral shall be maintained at all times in an amount equal to at least 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value (determined daily and monitored by the Servicer) of the lent Collateral Obligations and if securities are delivered to the Trustee as security for the obligations of the Securities Lending Counterparty under the related Securities Lending Agreement, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will negotiate with the Securities Lending Counterparty a rate for the loan fee to be paid to the Issuer for lending the lent Collateral Obligations;
- (xi) the lent Collateral Obligations shall be marked-to-market on a daily basis by the Servicer on the basis of their Market Value;
- (xii) the Collateral will include the Issuer's rights under the related Securities Lending Agreement rather than the loaned Collateral Obligation;
- (xiii) provide for early termination within 10 days at the option of the Issuer and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Securities Lending Counterparty is no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty and the noncompliance is not cured as provided in the Indenture; and
- (xiv) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Securities Lending Counterparty) equivalent (mutatis mutandis) to those in the Indenture.

In addition, each Securities Lending Agreement must provide that if either Moody's or S&P downgrades a Securities Lending Counterparty such that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party are no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty, then the Issuer, within 10 days of the downgrade, shall (i) terminate its Securities Lending Agreements with the Securities Lending Counterparty unless a guarantor with the required ratings for the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements has been obtained; or (ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations lent to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty so that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party, together with all other Securities Lending Agreements, are in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of Securities Lending Counterparties; or (iii) take any other steps Moody's or S&P may require to cause the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party to be treated by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, as if the obligations were owed by a counterparty having a rating at least equivalent to the rating that was assigned by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty before its being downgraded.

The Servicer shall instruct the Trustee in writing with respect to the administration of any Securities Lending Agreement (including with respect to any default and the exercise of rights under it). The Trustee shall not have any responsibility for evaluating the sufficiency, validity, or acceptability of any Securities Lending Agreement or for the qualifications or eligibility of any Securities Lending Counterparty. Nothing in the Indenture shall be construed to cause the Trustee to have any fiduciary duties to any Securities Lending Counterparty.

So long as any Collateral Obligation is on loan pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement, (a) the Trustee shall have no liability for any failure or inability on its part to receive any information or

take any action with respect to the Collateral Obligation because of its being on loan (including any failure to take action with respect to a notice of redemption, consent solicitation, exchange or tender offer, or similar corporate action) and (b) the loaned Collateral Obligations shall not be disqualified for return to the Trustee as a Collateral Obligation by any change in circumstance or status during the time while on loan (including any change that would cause the Collateral Obligation to be ineligible for purchase by the Issuer under the Indenture if applied to a proposed purchase of it in the open market at the time of its return from loan).

## **MATURITY AND PREPAYMENT CONSIDERATIONS**

The Stated Maturity of each Class of Notes will be August 1, 2022 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date; *however*, the principal of each Class of the Notes is expected to be paid in full prior to its Stated Maturity (or Extended Stated Maturity Date, as applicable). Average life refers to the average amount of time that will elapse from the date of delivery of a security until each dollar of the principal of such security will be paid to the investor. The average lives of the Notes will be determined by the amount and frequency of principal payments, which are dependent upon, among other things, the amount of sinking fund payments and any other payments received at or in advance of the scheduled maturity of Collateral Obligations (whether through sale, maturity, redemption, default or other liquidation or disposition).

The actual performance of the Securities will also be affected by the financial condition of the obligors on or issuers of the Collateral Obligations and the characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, including the interest rate or other rate of distribution, the actual default rate and actual losses sustained, the existence and frequency of exercise of any prepayment, optional redemption, or sinking fund features and any related premium, the prevailing level of interest rates, any sales of Collateral Obligations, and any unique risks of the Collateral Obligations. Any disposition of a Collateral Obligation may change the composition and characteristics of the portfolio of Collateral Obligations and their rate of payment, and, accordingly, may affect the actual performance of each respective Class of Securities. The ability of the Issuer to apply any Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds in the manner described under “Security for the Notes” will also affect the performance of the Securities. Redemptions will also affect the performance of the Securities.

## **THE SERVICER**

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### **General**

Based in Dallas, Texas, Highland Capital is a registered investment adviser specializing in below investment-grade credit and special situation investing. As of January 31, 2007, Highland Capital managed over \$34 billion in leveraged loans, high yield bonds, structured products and other assets for banks, insurance companies, pension plans, foundations and high net worth individuals.

Highland Capital manages or services these assets through a variety of fund structures including separate accounts, CDOs, hedge funds and mutual funds. As of January 31, 2007, Highland Capital invested in approximately 1,200 below investment grade and credit sensitive credit positions, and Highland Capital’s 81-person credit team followed approximately 1,400 below investment grade and credit sensitive credit positions across over 36 industries. Highland Capital or an Affiliate or predecessor thereof has been an SEC-registered investment adviser since April 1993.

## **Philosophy and Process**

Highland Capital has a large range and depth of experience. It has expertise in the fields of syndicated loans, high yield bonds, and distressed assets. Highland Capital believes it is in a position to maximize the spread differential between the yields on underlying collateral and the cost of financing. In addition, Highland Capital seeks to construct portfolios to (a) maximize relative value based on its credit views and (b) maximize diversification in order to minimize the effect of isolated credit events on the overall portfolio, utilizing Highland Capital's infrastructure to minimize defaults of underlying assets and to maximize recoveries in the case of defaults. Highland Capital has over \$885 million of firm capital exposure to the firm's funds and expects that HFP, an Affiliate of the Servicer, and/or one or more of HFP's subsidiaries will on the Closing Date purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares.

Highland Capital believes that its disciplined selection process minimizes a portfolio's risk and that its analysis seeks to maximize yield spread while limiting downside risk. Portfolio managers actively follow each credit and several times each year the entire staff reviews all positions during multi-day monitoring meetings. Highland Capital diversifies its portfolios with set limits on exposure to any one given industry or issuer. Highland Capital believes that this philosophy and selection process has resulted in positive returns on its underlying loan portfolio and consistent outperformance relative to its indices.

Highland Capital focuses on a "team" approach that it has used since 1990. It is Highland Capital management's belief that this style creates the optimum environment for the exchange of information and the development of all asset management professionals. All aspects of the selection, monitoring and servicing process are coordinated through the senior asset portfolio managers' direct interaction. A committee of senior portfolio managers and analysts, Highland Capital's Chief Investment Officer and its Head of Structured Products meets every morning to discuss the status of the credits. Collectively, the committee utilizes a selection and monitoring process which is driven by fundamental credit research. Each portfolio manager/analyst makes specific credit recommendations based upon industry coverage. The credit recommendation is then brought to the committee for consideration. Based upon the consensus decision, the portfolio manager with the recommendation will direct Highland Capital traders to execute the trade. Highland Capital has also provided its committee with a strong commitment to technology. The firm developed Wall Street Office® which is a proprietary software system that allows Highland Capital to model, portfolio manage, and trade syndicated loans. This software has been licensed to more than 70 financial institutions that acquire syndicated loans.

## **Professionals of the Servicer**

Set forth below is information regarding certain persons who are currently employed by the Servicer. Such persons may not necessarily continue to be so employed during the entire term of the Servicing Agreement.

### ***James Dondero, CFA, CPA, CMA – Managing Partner, President***

Mr. Dondero is a Founder and President of Highland Capital. He is also Chairman of the Board of Directors of Highland Financial Trust. Prior to Highland Capital, Mr. Dondero served as Chief Investment Officer of Protective Life's GIC subsidiary, and helped grow the business from concept to over \$2 billion from 1989 to 1993. His portfolio management experience includes mortgage-backed securities, investment grade corporates, leveraged bank loans, emerging markets, derivatives, preferred stocks and common stocks. From 1985 to 1989, he managed approximately \$1 billion in fixed income funds for American Express. Prior to American Express, he completed the financial training program at Morgan Guaranty Trust Company. Mr. Dondero is a Beta Gamma Sigma graduate of the University of Virginia, 1984 with degrees in Accounting and Finance. Mr. Dondero is a Certified Public Accountant and a Certified Management Accountant. He has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***Mark Okada, CFA – Managing Partner, Chief Investment Officer***

Mr. Okada is a Founder and Chief Investment Officer of Highland Capital. He is responsible for overseeing Highland Capital's investment activities for its various strategies, and has over 20 years of experience in the leveraged finance market. Prior to Highland Capital, Mr. Okada served as Manager of Fixed Income for Protective Life's GIC subsidiary from 1990 to 1993. He was primarily responsible for the bank loan portfolio and other risk assets. Protective was one of the first non-bank entrants into the syndicated loan market. From 1986 to 1990, he served as Vice President for Hibernia National Bank, managing over \$1 billion of high yield bank loans. Mr. Okada is an honors graduate of the University of California Los Angeles with degrees in Economics and Psychology. He completed his credit training at Mitsui and has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation. Mr. Okada is also Chairman of the Board of Directors of Common Grace Ministries Inc.

***Todd Travers, CFA – Partner, Head of Structured Products, Senior Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Travers is responsible for Highland Capital's CDO business and is the primary Senior Portfolio Manager for Highland Capital's CDOs. He is a member of the Credit Committee and heads a team that is responsible for structuring new CDO transactions and implementing additional opportunities in Highland Capital's core businesses. He is also Chief Executive Officer and Chief Investment Officer of Highland Financial Partners, an externally managed company whose primary strategy is investing in CDO equity. Formerly, Mr. Travers served as Industry Portfolio Manager/Portfolio Analyst from 1994 to 1998 for Highland Capital. His prior responsibilities included managing a portion of Highland Capital's leveraged loan and high yield debt portfolios across a wide range of industry sectors. Prior to joining Highland Capital, Mr. Travers was a Finance Manager at American Airlines. Mr. Travers is a graduate of Iowa State University with a BS in Industrial Engineering. He received his MBA from Southern Methodist University. Mr. Travers has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***Patrick H. Daugherty – Partner, Head of Distressed and Special Situations Investments, Co-Head of Private Equity***

Mr. Daugherty is Head of Distressed and Special Situations Investing, and a Senior Portfolio Manager at Highland Capital. His responsibilities include managing the Distressed Investments Group and co-managing the Private Equity Investments Group. He has formerly served as General Counsel to Highland Capital. Prior to joining Highland Capital in April 1998, Mr. Daugherty served as Vice President in the Corporate Finance Group at Bank of America Capital Markets, Inc (formerly NationsBanc Capital Markets, Inc.) where he originated and structured leveraged transactions of mid-cap companies located in the Southwest. Prior to joining Bank of America, Mr. Daugherty was an Associate with the law firm of Baker, Brown, Sharman and Parker in Houston, Texas, where he worked with banks and financial institutions in the liquidation of various RTC portfolios. Mr. Daugherty has over 15 years of experience in distressed, high yield and corporate restructuring. He has been involved in over 100 restructurings and held steering committee positions in over 40 bankruptcies. Mr. Daugherty currently serves on the Board of Directors of Trussway Holdings, Inc. and its affiliates (as Chairman), Home Interiors & Gifts, Inc. and its affiliates (as Chairman), Nexpak Corporation and its affiliates (as Chairman), Moll Industries and its affiliates (as Chairman), Safety-Kleen Holdco., Inc. and is a former board member of Norse Merchant Group and its affiliates, Ferrimorac Holdings Limited and Mariner Health Care, Inc. He received a BBA in Finance from The University of Texas at Austin and a Juris Doctorate from The University of Houston School of Law. Mr. Daugherty's professional certifications include membership in the Texas Bar Association and admittance to the American Bar Association in 1992.

***John Morgan, CFA – Partner, Senior Industry Portfolio Manager, Real Estate***

Mr. Morgan is a Senior Industry Portfolio Manager, and has responsibility for overseeing the firm's Real Estate debt investments. The firm's real estate investments include a variety of asset types, including Commercial Mortgage Backed Securities ("CMBSs"), mezzanine notes, and real estate bank loans. Since joining Highland Capital in March 2000, Mr. Morgan has also covered a variety of other industries, including retail, restaurants, and supermarkets. Prior to joining Highland Capital in March 2000, Mr. Morgan served as Portfolio Analyst for Falcon Fund Management, LTD from August 1995-February 2000. At Falcon, he created comparables to assess the attractiveness of companies within industries and across the portfolio. He assisted the Portfolio Manager in the security selection process and management of the portfolio. Prior to Falcon, he was an Analyst for a Convertible Arbitrage Fund at Q Investments. His primary responsibility included analyzing financial statements and related corporate disclosures and performing analysis on potential investment opportunities. He received both a BS in Biological Sciences and an MBA from Southern Methodist University, and has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***Kurtis S. Plumer, CFA – Partner, Senior Portfolio Manager, Multi-Strategies***

Mr. Plumer is a Senior Portfolio Manager at Highland Capital. Prior to joining Highland Capital in July 1999, Mr. Plumer was a distressed High Yield Bond Trader at Lehman Brothers in New York, where he managed a \$250 million portfolio invested in global distressed securities. While at Lehman, he also traded emerging market sovereign bonds. Prior to joining Lehman Brothers, Mr. Plumer was a Corporate Finance Banker at NationsBanc Capital Markets, Inc. (now Bank of America Capital Markets, Inc.) where he focused on M&A and financing transactions for the bank's clients. Mr. Plumer has over 14 years of experience in distressed, high yield bond and leveraged loan products. Mr. Plumer earned a BBA in Economics and Finance from Baylor University, and an MBA in Strategy and Finance from the Kellogg School at Northwestern University. Mr. Plumer has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***David Walls, CFA – Partner, Senior Industry Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Walls is a Senior Industry Portfolio Manager at Highland Capital. Prior to joining Highland Capital in October 2000, Mr. Walls worked for Lend Lease Real Estate Investments as an Associate in their Asset Management unit underwriting and structuring acquisitions of bulk portfolios of distressed Korean real estate and corporate debt. Before his international responsibilities at Lend Lease, Mr. Walls performed loan workouts on a domestic portfolio of sub- and non-performing real estate secured assets. Prior to Lend Lease, Mr. Walls worked at U.S. Trust Company of California as an Assistant Vice President, Junior Industry Portfolio Manager in their Fixed Income Portfolio Management group and for Capital Research & Management Company as a Fixed Income Trader. Mr. Walls has worked in finance for the cable, media, satellite, and communication equipment sectors for 14 years. At Highland Capital, Mr. Walls is a Senior Industry Portfolio Manager with oversight of the Cable and Satellite sectors. He holds a BA in Economics from Northwestern University, and an MBA in Finance and Marketing from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University. Mr. Walls is a member of AIMR and DAIA. Mr. Walls has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***Brett Pope, CFA – Partner, Senior Industry Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Pope is a Senior Industry Portfolio Manager at Highland Capital. Prior to joining Highland Capital in March 2001, Mr. Pope served as a Senior Equities Analyst in Healthcare at Street Advisor.com from 1999 to 2001. His experience also includes working as a Senior Research Analyst covering the Building Products and Financial Service sectors at Southwest Securities from 1996 to 1999. Prior to 1996, he served as a Senior Financial Analyst with Associates First Capital Corporation. At Highland Capital, Mr. Pope is a Senior Industry Portfolio Manager covering the Healthcare and Information Technology sectors. Mr. Pope is a graduate of the University of Texas at Austin where he graduated Magna Cum Laude. Mr. Pope has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***Patrick Conner, CFA – Partner, Senior Industry Portfolio Manager***

Mr. Conner is a Senior Industry Portfolio Manager at Highland Capital. Prior to joining Highland Capital in February 2002, Mr. Conner worked from 2001-2002 as an Industry Portfolio Manager for an equity hedge fund at Enron Corp. Prior to this position, Mr. Conner evaluated business unit strategy, mergers, acquisitions, and divestitures as a Director in Enron's Corporate Development group from 1997-2001. Prior to joining Enron, Mr. Conner worked as a Corporate Lending Officer at Boatmen's Bancshares in middle market banking. Mr. Conner has acquired 14 years of investment experience. He holds an MBA in Finance from The Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania and a BBA in Finance from Wichita State University. Mr. Conner has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

***Brad Borud – Partner, Senior Trader and Co-Director of Portfolio Management***

Mr. Borud is a Senior Trader and Co-Director of Portfolio Management at Highland Capital. Prior to joining Highland Capital in November 1996, Mr. Borud worked as a Global Finance Analyst in the Corporate Finance Group at NationsBank from 1995 to 1996 where he was involved in the originating, structuring, modeling, and credit analysis of leveraged transactions for large corporate accounts in the Southwest portion of the United States. During 1994, Mr. Borud also served at Conseco Capital Management as an Analyst Intern in the Fixed Income Research Department, following the Transportation and Energy sectors. Prior to his current duties at Highland Capital, Mr. Borud served as a Portfolio Analyst from 1996 to 1998. From 1998 to 2003, Mr. Borud was a Industry Portfolio Manager covering a wide range of industries, including Wireline Telecommunications, Wireless Telecommunications, Telecommunication Equipment Manufacturers, Multi-channel Video, and Media. He has a BS in Business Finance from Indiana University.

***Paul Kauffman, CFA, CPA – Partner, Senior Trader and Co-Director of Portfolio Management***

Mr. Kauffman is a Senior Trader and Co-Director of Portfolio Management at Highland Capital. Prior to joining Highland Capital in June 1999, Mr. Kauffman spent four years in the public accounting industry, including two and a half years at KPMG Peat Marwick. At KPMG, Mr. Kauffman gained audit experience in a wide range of industries, with particular focus on the Energy and Cable industries. He joined Highland Capital as a Portfolio Analyst, and was a Industry Portfolio Manager prior to moving into his current role. At Highland Capital, Mr. Kauffman has followed a variety of industries, including Paper & Packaging, General Industrials, Metals, and the Automotive sector. He received a BBA in Accounting from Baylor University, and an MBA from Duke University. Mr. Kauffman has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

See “Risk Factors—Relating to the Servicer—The Issuer Will Depend on the Managerial Expertise Available to the Servicer and Its Key Personnel.”

## **THE SERVICING AGREEMENT**

The following summary describes certain provisions of the Servicing Agreement. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the Servicing Agreement.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, and in accordance with the requirements set forth in the Indenture, the Servicer will select the portfolio of Collateral Obligations and will instruct the Trustee with respect to any acquisition, disposition or sale of a Collateral Obligation or an Eligible Investment. Neither of the Initial Purchasers and none of their Affiliates will select any of the Collateral Obligations.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will monitor the Collateral Obligations and provide the Issuer with certain information received from the Collateral Administrator with respect to the composition and characteristics of the Collateral Obligations, any disposition or tender of a Collateral Obligation, the application of the proceeds of any such disposition to the purchase of Eligible Investments and with respect to the retention of the proceeds of any such disposition or the application thereof toward the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations. The Servicer will, and will be authorized to, negotiate, on behalf of the Issuer, with respect to all actions to be taken by the Issuer under any Hedge Agreements.

As compensation for the performance of its obligations as Servicer, the Servicer will be entitled to receive:

- (i) a fee (the “**Senior Servicing Fee**”) that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.30% per annum of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments (with the Senior Servicing Fee being calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months);
- (ii) an amount (the “**Subordinated Servicing Fee**”) payable on each Payment Date equal to the sum of (a) a fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.25% per annum of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments and (b) on any Payment Date that any part of the Subordinated Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period *plus* 3.00% per annum (with the portion of the Subordinated Servicing Fee, in clauses (a) and (b) above, as applicable, being calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months); and
- (iii) a fee (the “**Supplemental Servicing Fee**” and together with the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee, the “**Servicing Fee**”), if any, payable on each Payment Date to the Servicer in an amount equal to: (i) 20% of the remaining Interest Proceeds, if any, available after making the distributions on such Payment Date pursuant to clause (22) under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” and (ii) 20% of the remaining Principal Proceeds, if any, available for payment in respect of the Supplemental Servicing Fee pursuant to clause (12)(A) and, if applicable, clause (15), in each case pursuant to “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Principal Proceeds.”

On each Payment Date, as and to the extent described under “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments,” the Trustee will deposit the Class II Preference Share Portion of the Servicing Fees into the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account. The Servicer has agreed to waive such amounts, which would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as Servicing Fees, on each Payment Date prior to February 3, 2008 and an amount equal to such waived amounts will be paid by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. With respect to any Payment Date after February 3, 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion (or all) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments; *provided* that with respect to the Payment Date in May 2008 such Class II Preference Share Special Payments will, at a minimum, include amounts that would otherwise constitute a portion of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Payment Date in February 2008 through February 3, 2008. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of

the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments as described above. See “Security for the Notes—The Accounts—Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account.”

In addition, notwithstanding anything set out above, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion waive all or any portion of the Subordinated Servicing Fee or Supplemental Servicing Fee, any funds representing the waived Subordinated Servicing Fees or Supplemental Servicing Fees to be retained in the Collection Account for distribution as either Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds (as determined by the Servicer) pursuant to the Priority of Payments.

In addition, the Servicer will be reimbursed for its reasonable expenses incurred with respect to any compliance requirements, including, but not limited to, compliance with the requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act solely related to the ownership or holding of any Securities by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to the extent funds are available therefor in accordance with and subject to the Priority of Payments and other limitations contained in the Indenture.

The Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, and its Affiliates and their directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, shall not be liable to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person for any losses, claims, damages, judgments, assessments, costs or other liabilities (collectively “**Liabilities**”) incurred by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person that arise out of or in connection with the performance by the Servicer of its duties under the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture, except by reason of (i) acts or omissions constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, gross negligence or breach of fiduciary duty in the performance, or reckless disregard, of the obligations of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and under the terms of the Indenture applicable to it or (ii) with respect to any information included in this Offering Memorandum in the sections entitled “The Servicer” and “Risk Factors—Certain Conflicts of Interest—Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer” that contains any untrue statement of material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) collectively being the “**Servicer Breaches**”). The Servicer will be liable for any non-waivable breaches of applicable securities laws.

The Issuer will indemnify and hold harmless the Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees (such parties collectively in such case, the “**Indemnified Parties**”) from and against any and all Liabilities, and shall reimburse each such Indemnified Party for all reasonable fees and expenses (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) (collectively, the “**Expenses**”) as such Expenses are incurred in investigating, preparing, pursuing or defending any claim, action, proceeding or investigation with respect to any pending or threatened litigation (collectively, the “**Actions**”), caused by, or arising out of or in connection with, the issuance of the Securities, the transactions contemplated by the Offering Memorandum, the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement, and/or any action taken by, or any failure to act by, such Indemnified Party; *provided, however*, that no Indemnified Party shall be indemnified for any Liabilities or Expenses it incurs as a result of any acts or omissions by any Indemnified Party constituting Servicer Breaches. Any such indemnification by the Issuer will be paid in accordance with, and subject to, the Priority of Payments.

Pursuant to the terms of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will agree that on the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries will purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$41,000,000 at a discounted purchase price and certain of the Class E Notes having an aggregate principal amount equal to U.S.\$9,500,000 at a discounted purchase price and (ii) the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates is expected to purchase certain of the Class I Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$17,000,000 at a discounted purchase price.

The Issuer may, at the request of the Servicer, enter into an amendment or modification of the Servicing Agreement from time to time, without the consent of the Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not the interests of the Holders of the Securities are adversely affected thereby;



*provided* that, with respect to any such amendment or modification, (a) a Rating Condition is satisfied and (b) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares have not objected in writing to such amendment or modification prior to the relevant Objection Cut-Off Date (as defined below).

If at any time the Servicer desires to amend or modify the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will notify the Issuer and the Trustee, providing details of such proposed amendment or modification. Not later than five Business Days after receipt of such notice, the Trustee will mail such notice to (i) each Noteholder at such Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as applicable, (ii) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and (iii) to each Rating Agency. If any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes or any Holder of the Preference Shares notifies, by delivering a written notice to the Trustee within 35 days after the Trustee has mailed such notice, that it objects to such proposed amendment or modification, the Trustee will, within two Business Days after receiving such notice of objection, mail a notice of the receipt of such objection to the Issuer, the Servicer and other Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and other Holders of the Preference Shares. Each Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes and each Holder of the Preference Shares that also wishes to object to such amendment or modification must, by delivering a written notice, so notify the Trustee within seven Business Days after the Trustee has mailed such notice of the receipt of such objection (the last day of such seven Business Day period, the "**Objection Cut-Off Date**"). If a Majority of either the Controlling Class of Notes or the Preference Shares notifies the Trustee in writing on or before the Objection Cut-Off Date that they object to the proposed amendment or modification to the Servicing Agreement, such amendment or modification will not be made.

The Servicing Agreement provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Servicer such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Servicer, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the Advisers Act. The Servicing Agreement also provides that the Servicer will not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Servicer, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Advisers Act.

Subject to the provisions for a successor servicer discussed below, the Servicer may resign, upon 90 days' written notice to the Issuer (or such shorter notice as is acceptable to the Issuer).

The Servicing Agreement will be terminated, and the Servicer will be removed, by the Issuer, if directed by the Trustee (acting at the direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes)) or by a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares, in each case for "cause" upon 10 days' prior written notice to the Servicer and upon written notice to the Holders of the Securities as set forth below. For purposes of determining "cause" with respect to any such termination of the Servicing Agreement, such term shall mean any one of the following events:

- (i) the Servicer willfully breaches in any respect, or takes any action that it knows violates in any respect, any provision of the Servicing Agreement or any terms of the Indenture applicable to it;

- (ii) the Servicer breaches in any material respect any provision of the Servicing Agreement or any terms of the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement applicable to it, or any representation, warranty, certification or statement given in writing by the Servicer

shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or given, and the Servicer fails to cure such breach or take such action so that the facts (after giving effect to such action) conform in all material respects to such representation, warranty, certificate or statement, in each case within 30 days of becoming aware of, or receiving notice from, the Trustee of, such breach or materially incorrect representation, warranty, certificate or statement;

(iii) certain events of bankruptcy or insolvency occur with respect to the Servicer;

(iv) the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture that results from any breach by the Servicer of its duties under the Indenture or the Servicing Agreement, which breach or default is not cured within any applicable cure period; or

(v) (x) the occurrence of an act by the Servicer related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business that constitutes fraud, (y) the Servicer being indicted, or any of its principals being convicted, of a felony criminal offense related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business or (z) the Servicer being indicted for, adjudged liable in a civil suit for, or convicted of a violation of the Securities Act or any other United States Federal securities law or any rules or regulations thereunder.

No removal or resignation of the Servicer will be effective under the Servicing Agreement unless (A) (i) at the written direction of a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares, the Issuer appoints a successor servicer and such successor servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture and (ii) the successor servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single Class) or (B) if a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares has nominated two or more successor servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (A)(ii) or has failed to appoint a successor servicer that has not been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (A)(ii) within 60 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer, (i) at the written direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes), the Issuer appoints a successor servicer and such successor servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture and (ii) the successor servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares (voting as a single class) or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single Class); *provided* that if a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and a Super Majority of the Controlling Class (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) have each nominated two or more successor servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clauses (A)(ii) and (B)(ii) or have otherwise failed to appoint a successor servicer that is not objected to pursuant to the preceding clauses (A)(ii) or (B)(ii) within 120 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer, any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes), any Holder of Voting Preference Shares or the Trustee petitions a court of competent authority to appoint a successor servicer. In addition, any successor servicer must be an established institution which (i) has demonstrated an ability to professionally and competently perform duties similar to those imposed upon the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, (ii) is legally qualified and has the capacity to act as Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, as successor to the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement in the assumption of all of the responsibilities, duties and obligations of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and under the applicable terms of the Indenture, (iii) shall not cause the Issuer or the pool of Collateral to become required to register under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, (iv) shall perform its duties as successor servicer under the Servicing Agreement and the Indenture without causing the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Holder of Preference Shares to become subject to tax in any jurisdiction where such successor servicer is established as doing business and (v) each Rating Agency has confirmed that the appointment of such successor servicer shall not cause its then-current rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn. No compensation payable to a successor from payments on the Collateral shall be

greater than that paid to the Servicer without the prior written consent of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes, a Majority of the Notes and a Majority of the Preference Shares.

The Servicing Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement, cannot be delegated by the Servicer, in whole or in part, except to any entity that (i) is controlled by any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers and (ii) is one in which any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers is involved in the day to day management and operations (and in any such case pursuant to an instrument of delegation in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer), without the prior written consent of the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and, notwithstanding any such consent, no delegation of obligations or duties by the Servicer (including, without limitation, to an entity described above) shall relieve the Servicer from any liability under the Servicing Agreement.

## THE CO-ISSUERS

### General

The Issuer was incorporated as an exempted limited liability company on November 10, 2006 in the Cayman Islands under registration number MC-177193. The registered office of the Issuer is at the offices of Maples Finance Limited, P.O. Box 1093GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands. The Issuer's telephone number is (345) 945-7099. The Issuer has no prior operating experience (other than in connection with the acquisition of the Collateral Obligations during the Accumulation Period) and will not have any material assets other than (i) the Collateral pledged to secure the Secured Obligations, and (ii) \$2,000 (of which \$1,000 represents the Issuer's ordinary share capital and \$1,000 represents a fee for issuing the Securities).

The Co-Issuer was incorporated on March 30, 2007 in the State of Delaware under registration number 061173837 as a corporation and has a perpetual existence. The registered office of the Co-Issuer is at c/o National Corporate Research, Ltd., 615 South DuPont Highway, Dover, Delaware, 19901. The Co-Issuer's telephone number is (302) 738-6680. The Co-Issuer has no prior operating history and will not have any material assets.

The Senior Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer and non-recourse debt obligations of the Co-Issuer. The Class E Notes are limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer and the Preference Shares are equity interests only in the Issuer. The Securities are not obligations of the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers, the Administrator, the Holders of the Preference Shares, Maples Finance Limited, as the share trustee (in such capacity, the "**Share Trustee**"), or any directors or officers of the Co-Issuers or any of their respective Affiliates.

At the Closing Date, the authorized share capital of the Issuer consists of 1,000 ordinary shares, U.S.\$1.00 par value per share (the "**Issuer Ordinary Shares**"), all of which will have been issued prior to the Closing Date, and 80,000 Preference Shares, U.S.\$0.01 par value per share, 80,000 of which will be issued on or about the Closing Date. The authorized common stock of the Co-Issuer consists of 1,000 shares of common stock, U.S.\$0.01 par value (the "**Co-Issuer Common Stock**"), all of which shares will be issued on or about the Closing Date. All of the outstanding Issuer Ordinary Shares and all of the Co-Issuer Common Stock will be held by the Share Trustee. For so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding, no transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares or Co-Issuer Common Stock to a U.S. Person shall be registered.

The Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares will be identical in all respects except that the Class II Preference Shares will also be entitled, subject to any restrictions under Cayman Islands law, to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments and will have voting rights with respect to the directors of the Issuer as described herein. In addition to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments payable on the Class II Preference Shares, regular dividends will be payable on the Class II Preference Shares and the Class I Preference Shares on each Payment Date in the amounts and in the

priority described under the Priority of Payments; provided that, if and to the extent sufficient funds to pay such regular dividends in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Cayman Islands law are not available on any Payment Date, such unpaid regular dividends will cease to be payable on such Payment Date or any other date. Class II Preference Share Special Payments will be paid to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares on a *pro rata* basis according to the number of Class II Preference Shares held by each Holder. All other dividends and distributions in respect of the Preference Shares will be paid to the Holders of the Preference Shares on a *pro rata* basis according to the number of Preference Shares held by each Holder.

## Capitalization

The initial proposed capitalization of the Issuer as of the Closing Date after giving effect to the initial issuance of the Securities and the Issuer Ordinary Shares (before deducting expenses of the offering) is as set forth below.

	<u>Amount (U.S.\$)</u>
Class A-1-A Notes .....	\$570,500,000
Class A-1-B Notes .....	\$142,500,000
Class B Notes .....	\$80,000,000
Class C Notes .....	\$53,500,000
Class D Notes .....	\$36,000,000
Class E Notes .....	\$37,500,000
Total Notes .....	\$920,000,000
Class I Preference Shares .....	\$39,000,000
Class II Preference Shares .....	\$41,000,000
Issuer Ordinary Shares .....	1,000
Total Equity .....	\$80,001,000
Total Capitalization .....	\$1,000,001,000

The Co-Issuer will be capitalized only to the extent of its common equity of U.S.\$10, will have no assets other than its equity capital and will have no debt other than as Co-Issuer of the Senior Notes.

## Business

### *General*

The Issuer Charter provides that the objects for which the Issuer is established are limited and the Issuer may exercise the power contained in Section 226 of the Companies Law (2004 Revision). Article III of the Co-Issuer's Certificate of Incorporation provides that the principal purpose of the Co-Issuer is the issuance of the Senior Notes and to engage in any activity and to exercise any powers permitted to corporations organized under Delaware Law, which are incidental to, or connected with, the foregoing and necessary, suitable or convenient to accomplish the foregoing.

### *The Issuer*

The Indenture provides that the activities of the Issuer are limited to the following:

- (i) acquisition and disposition of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments;
- (ii) entering into, and performing its obligations under, the Indenture, the Preference Share Documents, any Hedge Agreements, the Securities Lending Agreements, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Administration Agreement;
- (iii) the issuance and sale of the Securities and the Issuer Ordinary Shares;

- (iv) the pledge of the Collateral as security for its obligations in respect of the Notes and any Hedge Agreements;
- (v) entering into certain pre-closing warehousing arrangements and the agreements relating thereto; and
- (vi) undertaking certain other activities incidental to the foregoing.

#### *The Co-Issuer*

The activities of the Co-Issuer are to be limited to the following:

- (i) the co-issuance and sale of the Senior Notes; and
- (ii) to engage in any activity and to exercise any powers permitted to corporations organized under Delaware Law, which are incidental to, or connected with, the foregoing and necessary, suitable or convenient to accomplish the foregoing.

### **Administration**

Maples Finance Limited (“**Maples Finance**”), a Cayman Islands company, will act as the administrator of the Issuer (in such capacity, the “**Administrator**”), the Share Registrar and the Share Trustee. The office of the Administrator will serve as the principal office of the Issuer. Through this office and pursuant to the terms of an agreement by and between the Administrator and the Issuer (as amended, supplemented and modified from time to time) (the “**Administration Agreement**”), the Administrator will perform various administrative functions on behalf of the Issuer, including the provision of certain clerical and other services including acting as Share Registrar until termination of the Administration Agreement. In consideration of the foregoing, the Administrator will receive various fees and reimbursement of its expenses.

The activities of the Administrator under the Administration Agreement will be subject to the overview of the Issuer’s Board of Directors. The Administration Agreement may be terminated by the Issuer upon 14 days’ written notice following the happening of certain events or upon 90 days’ written notice in all other cases. Upon the earlier of the termination of the Administration Agreement or the dissolution of the Issuer, the Administrator shall cease to serve in such capacity.

The activities of the Administrator under the Administration Agreement will be subject to the overview of the Issuer’s Board of Directors. The Administration Agreement may be terminated by the Issuer upon 14 days written notice following the occurrence of certain events or upon 90 days written notice. There is no requirement in the Administration Agreement that a replacement administrator be appointed prior to the effectiveness of any withdrawal or termination of the Administrator. Upon the earlier of the termination of the Administration Agreement or the dissolution of the Issuer, the Administrator will cease to serve in such capacity.

The Administrator’s principal office is at P.O. Box 1093GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands.

### **Directors**

The Issuer will have two directors, each of whom will initially be an employee or officer of the Administrator or an Affiliate of the Administrator.

The directors of the Issuer are Chris Marett and Cleveland Stewart. Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may, for so long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding is greater than the number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding, vote at any time to remove any or all

(but, so long as such directors are all associated with Maples Finance, not less than all) of the directors and appoint other directors who may be employees, officers or designees of the Servicer.

Directors of the Issuer may serve as directors of, and provide services to, other special purpose entities that issue collateralized obligations and perform other duties for the Administrator and the Servicer, as the case may be. They may be contacted at the address of the Administrator.

The director of the Co-Issuer is Donald Puglisi. Mr. Puglisi is also the President, Secretary and Treasurer of the Co-Issuer. Mr. Puglisi is a Professor of Finance at the University of Delaware. Mr. Puglisi serves as a director of, and provides services to, a number of special purpose entities. He may be contacted at the address of the Co-Issuer.

## **PREVENTION OF MONEY LAUNDERING**

To ensure compliance with applicable statutory requirements relating to anti-money laundering and anti-terrorism initiatives, the Share Registrar, on behalf of the Issuer, will require verification of identity and source of funds from all prospective purchasers of the Preference Shares. Depending on the circumstances of each purchase, it may not always be necessary to obtain full documentary evidence of identity and/or source of funds where:

1. The purchaser is a licensed entity or financial institution regulated in a country recognized as having an adequate anti-money laundering regime<sup>1</sup>;
2. The purchaser is an entity or financial institution listed on the Cayman Islands or other approved stock exchange<sup>2</sup>; or
3. The funds have been paid from an account held in the name of the purchaser at a financial institution based in a country recognized as having an adequate anti-money laundering regime.

## **MATERIAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS**

### **General**

The following summary describes the principal U.S. federal income tax and Cayman Islands tax consequences that are expected to be applicable to the purchase, ownership and disposition of the Securities, but does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all the tax considerations that may be relevant to a decision to purchase the Securities. In particular, special tax considerations that may apply to certain types of taxpayers, including, without limitation, securities dealers, banks, financial institutions, partnerships, insurance companies, purchasers of Notes who did not acquire the Notes at the applicable “issue price” (defined below), and subsequent purchasers of the Securities, are not addressed. In addition, this summary does not describe any tax consequences resulting from or relating to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments or any tax consequences arising under the laws of any state, locality or taxing jurisdiction other than the U.S. federal government and the Cayman Islands. In general, the summary assumes that a purchaser acquires a Security at original issuance and holds such Security as a capital asset and not as part of a hedge, straddle, or conversion transaction, within the meaning of section 1258 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”).

<sup>1</sup> The list of acceptable countries is: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bahamas, Bahrain, Barbados, Belgium, Bermuda, Brazil, British Virgin Islands, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Gibraltar, Greece, Guernsey, Hong Kong, Iceland, Ireland, Isle of Man, Israel, Italy, Japan, Jersey, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Malta, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Panama, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom and United States of America.

<sup>2</sup> A list of approved Stock Exchanges can be found under Appendix H of the Cayman Islands Money Laundering Regulations (as amended) which may be accessed on the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority website at [www.cimoney.com.ky](http://www.cimoney.com.ky).

This summary is based on the U.S. and Cayman Islands tax laws, regulations, rulings and decisions in effect on the date of this Offering Memorandum. All of the foregoing are subject to change, which change may apply retroactively and could affect the continued validity of this summary.

Prospective purchasers of the Securities should note that no ruling from the Internal Revenue Service (the “**IRS**”) will be sought with respect to any tax matters discussed herein, and there can be no assurance that the IRS will agree with such statement and conclusions. Prospective purchasers of the Securities should consult their tax advisors as to U.S. federal income tax and Cayman Islands tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of the Securities and the possible application of state, local, foreign or other tax laws.

As used in this section, “Material Income Tax Considerations,” the term “**U.S. Holder**” means a beneficial owner of a Security who is a citizen or individual resident of the United States, a corporation (or any other entity treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes) created or organized in or under the laws of the United States, or an estate or trust (other than a “foreign estate” or a “foreign trust,” each as defined in the Code).

If a partnership (including any entity treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes) is a beneficial owner of the Securities, the U.S. federal income tax treatment of a partner in the partnership will generally depend on the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership.

**TO COMPLY WITH TREASURY DEPARTMENT CIRCULAR 230, YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT: (A) ANY DISCUSSION OF FEDERAL TAX ISSUES IN THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS NOT INTENDED OR WRITTEN TO BE USED, AND CANNOT BE USED BY YOU, FOR THE PURPOSE OF AVOIDING PENALTIES THAT MAY BE IMPOSED ON YOU UNDER THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE; (B) ANY SUCH DISCUSSION IS INCLUDED HEREIN BY THE ISSUERS IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROMOTION OR MARKETING (WITHIN THE MEANING OF CIRCULAR 230) BY THE ISSUERS OF THE TRANSACTIONS OR MATTERS ADDRESSED HEREIN; AND (C) YOU SHOULD SEEK ADVICE BASED ON YOUR PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCES FROM AN INDEPENDENT TAX ADVISOR.**

#### U.S. Federal Income Taxation of the Issuer

*U.S. Federal Income Tax.* The Issuer will be treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Section 864(b)(2) of the Code provides a specific exemption from U.S. federal income tax to non-U.S. corporations which either (i) trade stocks or securities through a resident broker, commission agent, custodian or other independent agent or (ii) restrict their activities in the United States to trading in stocks and securities (and any other activity closely related thereto) for their own account, whether such trading (or such other activity) is by such corporation or its employees or through a resident broker, commission agent, custodian or other agent. This particular exemption described in clause (ii) above does not apply to foreign corporations that are dealers in stocks and securities. Moreover, the Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service recently announced that they are considering taxpayer requests for specific guidance on, among other things, whether a foreign person may be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States by virtue of entering into credit default swaps. However, the Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service have not yet provided any guidance on whether they believe entering into credit default swaps may cause a foreign person to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States and if so, what facts and circumstances must be present for this conclusion to apply. If any future guidance concludes that foreign persons entering into certain credit default swaps will be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States, such guidance may adversely impact the Issuer.

Prior to the issuance of the Securities, the Issuer will receive an opinion from Latham & Watkins LLP (“**Tax Counsel**”) based, in part, on the exemption described in the preceding paragraph to the effect that, although no activity closely comparable to that contemplated by the Issuer has been the subject of any Treasury regulation, revenue ruling or judicial decision and the matter is not free from doubt, assuming compliance with the Issuer’s Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Indenture, the

Servicing Agreement and other related documents (collectively, the “**Documents**”) by all parties thereto, the Issuer’s permitted activities will not cause it to be treated as engaged in the conduct of a U.S. trade or business under the Code and, consequently, the Issuer’s profits will not be subject to United States federal income tax on a net income basis (including, without limitation, the branch profits tax imposed by section 884 of the Code). Investors should note that gain or loss on a disposition by a foreign person of a United States real property interest may be subject to United States federal income tax even if the foreign person is otherwise not engaged in a U.S. trade or business. Because the determination of whether an asset constitutes a United States real property interest is made periodically, although the Issuer is prohibited from acquiring an asset that constitutes a United States real property interest, it is possible that an asset that was not a United States real property interest at the time such asset was acquired by the Issuer will become a United States real property interest after the asset is acquired. Because the Issuer may be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business solely with respect to such gain or loss, Tax Counsel’s opinion will not address the taxation of the Issuer with respect to such disposition. In addition, in interpreting and complying with the Documents, the Issuer and the Servicer are entitled to rely upon the advice and/or opinions of their selected counsel, and the opinion of Tax Counsel will assume that any such advice and/or opinions, other than advice given by Tax Counsel, are correct and complete. The opinion of Tax Counsel will be based on the Code, the Treasury regulations (final, temporary and proposed) thereunder, the existing authorities, and Tax Counsel’s interpretation thereof, all as in effect as of the date of such opinion, and on certain factual assumptions and representations as to the Issuer’s contemplated activities. The Issuer intends to conduct its business in accordance with the assumptions, representations and agreements upon which the opinion of Tax Counsel is based. However, opinions and advice of Tax Counsel or other counsel are not binding on the IRS. Accordingly, in the absence of authority on point, whether the Issuer is or will be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States or not is not entirely free from doubt, and there can be no assurance that positions contrary to those stated in the opinion of Tax Counsel or any other advice or opinion may not be asserted successfully by the IRS.

*U.S. Federal Withholding Taxes.* Generally, U.S. source interest income received by a foreign corporation not engaged in a trade or business within the United States is subject to U.S. withholding tax at the rate of 30% of the amount thereof. The Code provides an exception for interest that constitutes “portfolio interest,” which is exempt from withholding tax. The term “portfolio interest” is generally defined as interest paid with respect to debt issued after July 18, 1984 that meets the “registration” requirement, unless the interest constitutes a certain type of contingent interest or is paid to a 10% shareholder of the payor, to a controlled foreign corporation (a “**CFC**”) related to the payor, or to a bank with respect to a loan entered into in the ordinary course of its business. For purposes of applying the 10% shareholder and related CFC rules, certain constructive ownership rules contained in the Code apply. The Issuer intends that all of the Collateral Obligations purchased that consist of obligations of U.S. issuers to the extent that they are treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes will either (i) pay interest qualifying as “portfolio interest” for which federal income withholding tax is not otherwise applicable or (ii) require the obligor to make “gross-up” payments to offset fully any such tax on any such payments. However, there can be no assurance that the Issuer will not become subject to such withholding without “gross-up” payments as a result of a change in or the adoption of a U.S. tax statute, or any change in or the issuance of a regulation or equivalent authority. Any such change, adoption or issuance may constitute a Withholding Tax Event. See “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

The Issuer may acquire certain types of Collateral Obligations not constituting debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes under the assumption that they are not subject to U.S. withholding tax despite the absence of clear authority that withholding tax is not payable.

Any lending fees received under a Securities Lending Agreement or commitment fees or similar fees (including, without limitation, fees on synthetic letters of credit) or other items of income (other than interest) received by the Issuer may be subject to U.S. withholding tax which would reduce the Issuer’s net income from such activities.



The Issuer may also acquire Collateral Obligations that consist of obligations of non-U.S. issuers. Payments in respect of such Collateral Obligations may be or could become subject to foreign withholding tax. In this regard, the Issuer is not generally permitted to purchase any obligations, the payments on which are subject to withholding tax, unless the issuer of the obligation is required to make “gross-up” payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax.

## **U.S. Federal Income Taxation of U.S. Holders of Notes**

*Status of the Notes.* In the opinion of Tax Counsel, the Senior Notes issued on the Closing Date will be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The Issuer will treat, and each person acquiring an interest in a Note will be deemed to agree to treat, the Notes as debt. The opinion of Tax Counsel is based on current law and certain representations and assumptions and is not binding on the IRS or the courts, and no ruling will be sought from the IRS regarding this, or any other, aspect of the U.S. federal income tax treatment of the Notes. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the IRS will not contend, and that a court will not ultimately hold, that for U.S. federal income tax purposes one or more Classes of the Notes are properly treated as equity in the Issuer. In that case, there might be adverse U.S. federal income tax consequences to a U.S. Holder of Notes upon the sale, redemption, retirement or other disposition of, or the receipt of certain types of distributions on, the Notes. Except for the discussion under “United States Income Taxation of the Class E Notes if Characterized as Equity” below, the remainder of the discussion assumes that the Notes are properly characterized as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

*Maturity Extension and Extension Bonus Payment.* Because the Stated Maturity of the Notes may be extended if certain conditions are met, it is unclear whether the Notes should be treated as maturing on August 1, 2022 or August 1, 2038, or on a date between such dates. The Treasury regulations do not provide clear guidance on debt instruments with terms similar to the Notes. Absent further guidance, the Issuer intends to take the position that the Notes should be treated as maturing on August 1, 2022. If the Notes are extended, the Issuer intends to treat each Note, solely for purposes of sections 1272 and 1273 of the Code, as retired and reissued for an amount equal to the adjusted issue price on the date of the new Extension Effective Date. Prospective investors in the Notes should consult their tax advisors regarding whether the Notes should be treated as maturing on a different date and the tax consequences if the Notes have a different maturity date than that chosen by the Issuer.

If the Stated Maturity is extended, the extension of the Stated Maturity would be treated as a modification of the Notes if the Notes may be sold to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser that is related to the Issuer within the meaning of section 267(b) of the Code. If such extension constitutes a modification, there is a significant risk that U.S. Holders who continue to hold their Notes after such extension will be treated as having exchanged their Notes for new Notes (“**New Notes**”) in a deemed exchange for U.S. federal income tax purposes (a “**Deemed Exchange**”). Any such Deemed Exchange would be treated as a taxable exchange, resulting in gain or loss, if any. Furthermore, if the Notes are treated as exchanged for New Notes in a Deemed Exchange as a result of a Maturity Extension, whether the New Notes would be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes will depend on the facts and circumstances existing at the time of such Deemed Exchange. Tax Counsel is unable to opine on whether New Notes treated as received in a Deemed Exchange for the Notes will be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In the event of a Deemed Exchange, U.S. Holders are strongly urged to consult their tax advisors regarding the tax consequences of such Deemed Exchange.

The tax treatment of the Extension Bonus Payment and the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount is unclear. The Issuer intends to take the positions that the full amount of the Extension Bonus Payment should be taxable to U.S. Holders as ordinary income in accordance with their method of accounting, that the CDS/TRS Termination Payment, if any, should be treated as part of the amount realized upon a disposition of the Notes and that none of the Extension Bonus Payment, the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount or the Issuer’s options to extend the Stated Maturity should cause the Notes to be treated as subject to the rules applicable to “contingent payment debt instruments” under Section 1.1275-4 of the Treasury regulation. U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisors regarding the

taxation of the Extension Bonus Payment and the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount, and the tax consequences of the Notes if they are treated as contingent payment debt instruments.

*Taxation of Interest Income.* Stated interest on the Notes that is considered “unconditionally payable” (as described below) will be includable in income by a U.S. Holder when received or accrued in accordance with such Holder’s method of tax accounting as ordinary interest income from sources outside the United States.

If the “issue price” of any Note is less than the “stated redemption price at maturity” (“SRPM”) of such Note, the excess of the SRPM over the issue price may constitute original issue discount (“OID”). Under a de minimis rule, if the excess of the SRPM of such Note over its issue price is less than one-fourth of one percent of the SRPM multiplied by the weighted average maturity (determined under applicable Treasury regulations) of such Note, such Note will not be treated as issued with OID. If any such Notes are issued at a greater than de minimis discount or are otherwise treated as having been issued with OID, the excess of the SRPM of such Notes over their issue price will constitute OID. Under the Code, a U.S. Holder of such Notes would be required to include the daily portions of OID, if any, in income as interest from sources outside the United States over the term of such Notes under a constant yield method that reflects the time value of money, regardless of such U.S. Holder’s method of tax accounting and without regard to the timing of actual payments.

The “issue price” of the Notes is the first price at which a substantial amount of the Notes are sold for money (excluding sales to bond houses, brokers or similar persons or organizations acting in the capacity of underwriters, placement agents or wholesalers). Treasury regulations provide, for purposes of determining whether a debt instrument is issued with OID, that stated interest must be included in the SRPM of a debt instrument if such interest is not “unconditionally payable” in money at least annually. Interest is considered “unconditionally payable” if reasonable legal remedies exist to compel timely payment or terms and conditions of the debt instrument make the likelihood of late payment (other than late payment that occurs within a reasonable grace period) or nonpayment (ignoring the possibility of nonpayment due to default, insolvency or similar circumstances) a remote contingency. Stated interest on the Class A-1-A Notes, Class A-1-B Notes and the Class B Notes will be “unconditionally payable” at least annually and thus will be included in income in accordance with a U.S. Holder’s method of accounting. Because interest on the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes may not be due and payable on any Payment Date to the extent that funds are not available on such Payment Date to pay the full amount of such interest or in order to satisfy certain Coverage Tests, the Issuer intends to take the position that payment of interest on the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes will not be viewed as “unconditionally payable.” Assuming such treatment is respected, all interest payments on the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes would be required to be included in the SRPM of such Notes and, therefore, accrued by a U.S. Holder pursuant to these OID rules. Accordingly, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes would be subject to the OID rules whether or not they are issued at an issue price equal to their principal amount.

Because the Floating Rate Notes provide for a floating rate of interest, a U.S. Holder of Floating Rate Notes must include in income interest or OID, if any, on the Floating Rate Notes at the floating rate in effect for the first accrual period (assuming the Floating Rate Notes are issued without OID other than any “deemed” discount attributable to the accrual of interest). The amount of interest or OID actually recognized for any applicable period will increase (or decrease) if interest actually paid during the period is more (or less) than the amount accrued at the initial floating rate.

If the Notes of a Class are not issued at an issue price equal to their principal amount, in computing OID with respect to such Notes, the Issuer intends (absent definitive guidance) to determine the amount of OID to be included in income annually by U.S. Holders of such Notes under an income accrual method, prescribed by Section 1272(a)(6) of the Code, applicable to debt instruments payments under which may be accelerated by reason of prepayments of other obligations securing such debt instruments or a pool of debt instruments the yield on which may be affected by reason of prepayments, that uses an assumption as to the expected prepayments on the Notes. The application of section 1272(a)(6) of the Code to debt instruments with prepayment features similar to the Notes is uncertain,

however, and may be challenged by the IRS. In the event that the IRS successfully challenged the Issuer's characterization of such Notes as subject to section 1272(a)(6) of the Code, any such Notes might be treated as contingent payment debt instruments. Prospective investors should consult their tax advisors regarding the potential application of the method under section 1272(a)(6) of the Code and the rules governing contingent payment debt instruments for accruing any prospective OID on the Notes.

*Disposition of Notes.* In general, a U.S. Holder of a Note will have a basis in such Note equal to the cost of such Note to such Holder, increased by any amount includable in income by such Holder as OID and reduced by any payments of principal and interest on such Note, other than payments of stated interest that are not required to be included in the SRPM of such Note.

Upon the sale, exchange, retirement or other disposition of such Note, a U.S. Holder will recognize taxable gain or loss, if any, generally equal to the difference between the amount realized on the sale or other disposition (other than accrued stated interest that was not required to be included in the SRPM of such Note, which interest will be taxable as such) and such U.S. Holder's adjusted tax basis in such Note. Any such gain or loss will generally be long-term capital gain or loss provided that such Note had been held for more than one year at the time of the sale or other disposition. In certain circumstances, U.S. Holders that are individuals may be entitled to preferential treatment for net long-term capital gains; however, the ability of U.S. Holders to offset capital losses against ordinary income is limited.

*United States Income Taxation of the Class E Notes if Characterized as Equity.* As discussed above, the Issuer will treat, and each person acquiring an interest in a Note will be deemed to agree to treat, the Class E Notes as debt of the Issuer and the discussions above assume that the Class E Notes would be characterized as debt for United States federal income tax purposes. However, the United States federal income tax treatment of the Class E Notes is subject to significant uncertainty and no ruling from the IRS has been sought regarding this issue. Accordingly, there can be no assurances that the IRS will not contend, and that a court will not ultimately hold, that the Class E Notes are equity of the Issuer.

In this regard, any U.S. Holder of Class E Notes who treats the Class E Notes as equity for United States federal income tax purposes, inconsistently with the Issuer's characterization and contrary to their agreement to treat the Class E Notes as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes, is required to disclose such position on its tax return. In addition, if a U.S. Holder of Class E Notes treats the Class E Notes as debt, it is unclear whether such U.S. Holder will be able to make a protective QEF election (described below) in anticipation of any possible re-characterization of the Class E Notes as equity.

If the Class E Notes are treated as equity, the Class E Notes will generally be taxed in the same manner as the Preference Shares (except as provided herein) (see the discussion under the heading "U.S. Federal Income Taxation of U.S. Holders of Preference Shares" below).

## **U.S. Federal Income Taxation of U.S. Holders of Preference Shares**

*Status of the Preference Shares.* Under U.S. federal income tax principles, the Preference Shares will be treated as equity of the Issuer

*Passive Foreign Investment Company Rules.* The Issuer will constitute a "passive foreign investment company" ("PFIC") for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and the Preference Shares will be subject to treatment as equity in a PFIC. In general, a U.S. Holder may desire to make an election to treat the Issuer as a "qualified electing fund" ("QEF") with respect to such U.S. Holder in order to avoid the application of certain potentially adverse U.S. tax rules (discussed below) applicable to ownership of PFIC equity by U.S. persons. Generally, a QEF election should be made with the filing of a U.S. Holder's federal income tax return for the first taxable year for which it holds the Preference Shares. If a timely QEF election is made, an electing U.S. Holder would be required in each taxable year to include in gross income such U.S. Holder's *pro rata* share of the Issuer's ordinary earnings and net capital gain, whether or not distributed, assuming that the Issuer does not constitute a "controlled foreign corporation" with respect to which the holder of the Notes is treated as a "U.S. Shareholder," as discussed further below. A U.S. Holder will not be eligible for a dividends received deduction in respect of such income or

gain. Moreover, such income or gain will not be eligible for treatment as “qualified dividend income” for non-corporate U.S. Holders. In addition, any losses of the Issuer in a taxable year may not be available to such U.S. Holder and may not be carried back or forward in computing the Issuer’s ordinary earnings and net capital gain in other taxable years. The electing U.S. Holder may recognize income in a taxable year in respect of the Preference Shares in amounts significantly greater than the distributions received from the Issuer on such Preference Shares in such taxable year. In certain cases in which a QEF does not distribute all of its earnings in a taxable year, U.S. Holders may be permitted to elect to defer payment of some or all of their taxes with respect to the QEF’s income subject to an interest charge on the deferred amount. In this respect, prospective purchasers of the Preference Shares should be aware that it is expected that the Collateral Obligations may be purchased by the Issuer with substantial OID the cash payment of which may be deferred, perhaps for a substantial period of time, and the Issuer may use interest and other income from the Collateral Obligations to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or to retire Rated Notes. As a result, the Issuer may have in any given year substantial amounts of earnings for U.S. federal income tax purposes that are not distributed on the Preference Shares. Thus, absent an election to defer payment of taxes, U.S. Holders that make a QEF election with respect to the Issuer may owe tax on significant “phantom” income. If applicable, the rules pertaining to a “controlled foreign corporation,” discussed below, generally override those pertaining to a PFIC with respect to which a QEF election is in effect.

In addition, it should be noted that if the Issuer invests in obligations that are not in registered form, a U.S. Holder making a QEF election (i) may not be permitted to take a deduction for any loss attributable to such obligations when calculating its share of the Issuer’s earnings and (ii) may be required to treat income attributable to such obligations as ordinary income even though the income would otherwise constitute capital gains. It is possible that some portion of the investments of the Issuer will constitute obligations that are not in registered form.

The Issuer will provide, upon request, all information and documentation that a U.S. Holder making a QEF election is required to obtain for U.S. federal income tax purposes (*e.g.*, the U.S. Holder’s *pro rata* share of ordinary income and net capital gain, and a “PFIC Annual Information Statement,” as described in applicable Treasury regulations).

If a U.S. Holder does not make a timely QEF election, a U.S. Holder of the Preference Shares would generally be required to report any gain on disposition of such Preference Shares (including any deemed disposition resulting from the use of such Preference Shares as security for a loan) as ordinary income rather than capital gain. A U.S. Holder would generally be required to compute tax liability on any such disposition gain and on certain “excess” distributions received by the U.S. Holder as if the items had been earned ratably over each day in the U.S. Holder’s holding period for such Preference Shares and would be subject to the highest ordinary income tax rate for each taxable year (other than the current year of the U.S. Holder) in which the items were treated as having been earned, regardless of the rate otherwise applicable to the U.S. Holder. Such U.S. Holder would also be liable for an additional tax equal to an interest charge on the tax liability attributable to income that is treated as allocated to prior years as if such liability had actually been due in each such prior year. For purposes of these rules, gifts, exchanges pursuant to corporate reorganizations and use of the Preference Shares as security for a loan may be treated as a taxable disposition of such Preference Shares. An “excess distribution” is the amount by which distributions during a taxable year in respect of a Preference Share exceed 125 percent of the average amount of distributions in respect thereof during the three preceding taxable years (or, if shorter, the U.S. Holder’s holding period for the Preference Share). In addition, a stepped-up basis in the Preference Shares upon the death of an individual U.S. Holder may not be available.

In many cases, application of the tax on gain on disposition and receipt of excess distributions will be substantially more onerous than the treatment applicable if a timely QEF election is made. ACCORDINGLY, U.S. HOLDERS OF CLASS E NOTES AND/OR PREFERENCE SHARES SHOULD CONSIDER CAREFULLY WHETHER TO MAKE A QEF ELECTION WITH RESPECT TO THE CLASS D NOTES AND/OR THE PREFERENCE SHARES AND THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT MAKING SUCH AN ELECTION.

*Controlled Foreign Corporation Rules.* The Issuer may be classified as a CFC. In general, a foreign corporation will be classified as a CFC if more than 50% of the shares of the corporation, measured by reference to combined voting power or value, is held, directly or indirectly, by U.S. Shareholders. A U.S. Shareholder, for this purpose, is in general any U.S. Holder that possesses, directly, indirectly or constructively, 10% or more of the combined voting power of all classes of shares of the corporation. It is possible that the IRS would assert that the Preference Shares are de facto voting equity, and that there is sufficient concentration of ownership of Preference Shares among U.S. Shareholders such that the Issuer constitutes a CFC. If this argument were successful and the Issuer were to constitute a CFC, a U.S. Shareholder of the Issuer would be required, subject to certain exceptions, to include in gross income (as ordinary income) at the end of the taxable year of the Issuer an amount equal to that person's *pro rata* share of the subpart F income and certain U.S. source income of the Issuer. Among other items, and subject to certain exceptions, "subpart F income" includes dividends, interest, gains from the sale of securities, and income from certain transactions with related parties. It is likely that, if the Issuer were to constitute a CFC, all or substantially all of its income would be subpart F income.

If the Issuer were treated as a CFC, a U.S. Shareholder of the Issuer would generally be taxable on the subpart F income of the Issuer under the rules described in the preceding paragraph and not under the PFIC rules previously described. As a result, to the extent subpart F income of the Issuer includes net capital gains, such gains would be treated as ordinary income of the U.S. Shareholder under the CFC rules, notwithstanding the fact that the character of such gains generally would otherwise be preserved under the PFIC rules if a QEF election were made.

In general, if a U.S. Holder of Preference Shares who is not initially subject to the CFC inclusion rules described above (*e.g.*, because he is not a U.S. Shareholder or because the Issuer is not a CFC) does not elect to treat the Issuer as a QEF, and if such U.S. Holder subsequently becomes subject to the CFC inclusion rules (*e.g.*, as a result of changes in the U.S. Holder's ownership of Preference Shares or in the status of the Issuer), and if thereafter, at a later date, such U.S. Holder ceases to be subject to the CFC inclusion rules, then at such later date such U.S. Holder would be required to treat the Issuer as a PFIC that was not a QEF, and for purposes of the PFIC rules described above, the U.S. Holder would treat the date on which it first acquired the Preference Shares as the date on which its holding period began. If, however, the U.S. Holder had made the QEF election before becoming subject to the CFC inclusion rules, then such U.S. Holder would be treated as acquiring an interest in a QEF on the day following such later date on which it ceased to be subject to the CFC inclusion rules.

Similarly, if, at issuance, a U.S. Holder of Preference Shares is subject to the CFC inclusion rules, but subsequently ceases to be subject to the CFC inclusion rules while continuing to hold Preference Shares, then such U.S. Holder would be treated as acquiring a new equity interest in the Issuer on the day following the date on which the U.S. Holder ceased to be subject to the CFC inclusion rules. Because such Preference Shares would thereafter be treated as stock in a PFIC, if there was not a QEF election in effect with respect to the U.S. Holder's taxable year that includes the date of cessation of its status as a U.S. Shareholder subject to the CFC inclusion rules, the U.S. Holder would become subject to the adverse rules applicable to non-QEF PFICs described above.

THE TAX CONSEQUENCES OF THE OWNERSHIP AND DISPOSITION OF THE CLASS E NOTES AND/OR THE PREFERENCE SHARES UNDER SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES, INCLUDING THE POTENTIAL INTERPLAY OF THE PFIC, QEF, AND CFC RULES, ARE QUITE COMPLEX, AND U.S. HOLDERS OF CLASS D NOTES AND/OR PREFERENCE SHARES SHOULD CONSULT THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS IN THIS REGARD.

*Distributions on the Preference Shares.* The treatment of actual distributions of cash on the Preference Shares, in very general terms, will vary depending on, among other things, whether a U.S. Holder has made a timely QEF election as described above. See "—Passive Foreign Investment Company Rules" above. If a timely QEF election has been made, distributions should be allocated first to amounts previously taxed pursuant to the QEF election (or pursuant to the CFC rules, if applicable) and to this extent would not be taxable to U.S. Holders. Distributions in excess of such previously taxed amount will be taxable to U.S. Holders as ordinary income upon receipt, to the extent of any remaining amounts

of untaxed current and accumulated earnings and profits of the Issuer. Distributions in excess of (i) previously taxed amounts and (ii) any remaining current and accumulated earnings and profits will be treated first as a nontaxable return of capital, which reduces the tax basis in the Preference Shares to the extent thereof, and then as capital gain.

In the event that a U.S. Holder does not make a timely QEF election, then except to the extent that distributions may be attributable to amounts previously taxed pursuant to the CFC rules, some or all of any distributions with respect to the Preference Shares may constitute “excess” distributions, taxable as previously described. See “—Passive Foreign Investment Company Rules” above.

*Sale or Other Disposition of the Preference Shares.* In general, and subject to the discussion below regarding U.S. Holders that do not elect to make a timely QEF election and regarding the rules applicable to U.S. Shareholders of a CFC, a U.S. Holder will recognize gain or loss upon the sale or other disposition of a Preference Share equal to the difference between the amount realized and such U.S. Holder’s adjusted tax basis in such Preference Share. Such gain or loss will be long-term capital gain or loss if the U.S. Holder has held such Preference Share for more than one year at the time of the sale or other disposition. In certain circumstances, U.S. Holders who are individuals (or whose income is taxable to U.S. individuals) may be entitled to preferential treatment for net long-term capital gains; however, the ability of U.S. Holders to offset capital losses against ordinary income is limited.

The tax basis of a U.S. Holder in a Preference Share will generally include the amount paid for the Preference Share. Such basis will be increased by amounts taxable to such U.S. Holder by virtue of a QEF election, or by virtue of the CFC rules, and decreased by actual distributions from the Issuer that are deemed to consist of such previously taxed amounts or are treated as a nontaxable reduction to the U.S. Holder’s tax basis for the Preference Share.

If a U.S. Holder does not make a timely QEF election as described above, any gain realized on the sale or exchange of a Preference Share or any such gain deemed to accrue prior to the time a non-timely QEF election is made, will generally be treated as an excess distribution, taxed as ordinary income and subject to an additional tax reflecting a deemed interest charge under the special tax rules described above. See “—Passive Foreign Investment Company Rules” above.

If the Issuer were treated as a CFC and a U.S. Holder were treated as a U.S. Shareholder thereof, then any gain realized by such U.S. Holder upon disposition of the Preference Shares, other than gain constituting an excess distribution under the PFIC rules, if applicable, would generally be treated as ordinary income to the extent of the current and accumulated earnings and profits of the Issuer. In this respect, earnings and profits generally would not include any amounts previously taxed pursuant to a timely QEF election or pursuant to the CFC rules.

### **Tax Treatment of Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders of Notes**

U.S. Holders which are tax-exempt entities (“**Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders**”) will not be subject to the tax on unrelated business taxable income (“**UBTI**”) with respect to interest and capital gains income derived from an investment in the Notes. However, a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder that also acquires Preference Shares should consider whether interest it receives in respect of the Notes may be treated as UBTI under rules governing certain payments received from controlled entities.

Notwithstanding the discussion in the preceding paragraph, a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder which incurs “acquisition indebtedness” (as defined in Section 514(c) of the Code) with respect to the Notes may be subject to the tax on UBTI with respect to income from the Notes to the extent that the Notes constitute “debt-financed property” (as defined in Section 514(b) of the Code) of the Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder.

Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisors regarding an investment in the Notes.

### **Tax Treatment of Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders of Preference Shares**

A Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder generally will not be subject to the tax on UBTI with respect to regular payments or “excess distributions” (defined above under “U.S. Federal Income Taxation of U.S. Holders of Preference Shares—Passive Foreign Investment Company Rules”) on the Preference Shares. A Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder that is not subject to tax on UBTI with respect to “excess distributions” may not make a QEF election. In addition, a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder that is subject to the rules relating to “controlled foreign corporations” with respect to the Preference Shares generally should not be subject to the tax on UBTI with respect to income from such Preference Shares.

Notwithstanding the discussion in the preceding paragraph, a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder which incurs “acquisition indebtedness” (as defined in Section 514(c) of the Code) with respect to the Preference Shares may be subject to the tax on UBTI with respect to income from the Preference Shares to the extent that the Preference Shares constitute “debt-financed property” (as defined in Section 514(b) of the Code) of the Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder. A Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder subject to the tax on UBTI with respect to income from the Preference Shares will be taxed on “excess distributions” in the manner discussed above under “U.S. Federal Income Taxation of U.S. Holders of Preference Shares—Passive Foreign Investment Company Rules.” Such a Tax-Exempt U.S. Holder will be permitted, and should consider whether, to make a QEF election with respect to the Issuer as discussed above.

Tax-Exempt U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisors regarding an investment in the Preference Shares.

### **U.S. Federal Income Taxation of Non-U.S. Holders**

The summary contained in this subsection outlines certain significant U.S. federal income tax principles that are likely to apply to a beneficial owner that is treated as a non-resident alien or foreign corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes (a “**Non-U.S. Holder**”). It assumes that the Non-U.S. Holder’s investment in the Issuer is not effectively connected with the conduct by such Non-U.S. Holder of a trade or business in the United States.

Payments on the Securities to a Non-U.S. Holder will generally be exempt from any U.S. federal income or withholding taxes, as will gains derived from the sale, exchange or redemption of the Securities, *provided that* such payments or gains are not effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business of such Holder, and generally, in the case of gain (excluding accrued OID, if any) of a non-resident alien individual Holder, the Holder is not present in the United States for 183 days or more during the taxable year of the sale and certain other conditions are satisfied. However, if it were determined that the Issuer were engaged in a U.S. trade or business, a portion of the payments on the Securities paid to a Non-U.S. Holder may be subject to a 30% U.S. withholding tax.

### **Information Reporting and Backup Withholding**

Information reporting to the IRS generally will be required with respect to payments on the Securities, and proceeds of the sale of the Securities to U.S. Holders other than corporations and other exempt recipients. A “backup” withholding tax generally will apply to those payments if such Holder fails to provide certain identifying information (such as the Holder’s taxpayer identification number) to the Trustee. “Non-effectively connected” gain or distributions received by a Non-U.S. Holder will generally not be subject to U.S. information reporting requirements or U.S. “backup” withholding tax, although such Holder may be required to furnish a certificate to the paying agent of the Issuer attesting to their status as a Non-U.S. Holder in order to avoid the application of such information reporting requirements and backup withholding. Backup withholding is not an additional tax and may be refunded (or credited against the Holder’s U.S. federal income tax liability, if any) *provided that* certain required information is furnished to the IRS in a timely manner.

### **Transfer Reporting Requirements**

A U.S. Holder (including a U.S. tax-exempt entity) that acquires equity of a non-U.S. corporation (such as the Preference Shares and/or the Class E Notes, if treated as equity) at issuance may be required to file a Form 926 or a similar form with the IRS if (i) such person owned, directly or by attribution, immediately after the transfer at least 10% by vote or value of the Issuer or (ii) if the transfer, when aggregated with all transfers made by such person (or any related person) within the preceding 12 month period, exceeds \$100,000. If a U.S. Holder of Preference Shares and/or Class E Notes, if treated as equity, fails to file any such required form, the U.S. Holder could be subject to a penalty (generally up to a maximum of \$100,000, except in cases involving intentional disregard), computed in the amount of 10% of the fair market value of the Preference Shares and/or the Class E Notes, if treated as equity, at the time such Preference Shares and/or such Class E Notes are purchased by such U.S. Holder.

As a result of the uncertainty regarding the U.S. federal income tax characterization of the Class E Notes, each U.S. Holder of the Class E Notes is urged to consult its own tax advisor regarding any transfer reporting requirements that a U.S. Holder may be subject to with respect to its investment in the Class E Notes.

### **Tax Shelter Reporting Requirements**

The Treasury regulations require taxpayers, including certain United States shareholders in foreign corporations, to report certain information on IRS Form 8886 if they participate in a “reportable transaction.” Significant penalties may be imposed for failure to comply with these requirements.

It is possible that an investment in Preference Shares could be characterized as a “reportable transaction” due to, for example, the Issuer entering into certain loss transactions. In such event, certain U.S. Holders of Preference Shares would become obligated to disclose their investment in such Preference Shares on IRS Form 8886. Should the Issuer become aware that a U.S. Holder’s investment in Preference Shares has become such a “reportable transaction” due to investments made by the Issuer, the Issuer intends to so inform the holders of Preference Shares receiving “PFIC Annual Information Statements” as described in “—Passive Foreign Investment Company Rules” or any other holders of Preference Shares who reasonably request such information and provide, or cause its accountants to provide, all information available to it which is necessary for such holders of the Notes to comply with these disclosure requirements. U.S. Holders should note, however, that the Issuer may not become aware of any criteria giving rise to the U.S. Holder’s obligation to report.

In addition, the regulations also treat certain loss transactions as a “reportable transaction.” Under these regulations, if a U.S. Holder incurs a loss from investing in the Notes (unless the U.S. Holder’s basis in the Notes constitutes “qualifying basis” and certain other conditions are met), and such loss, alone or together with certain other losses, exceeds certain threshold amounts, the U.S. Holder may have a “reportable transaction” and be required to file IRS Form 8886.

U.S. Holders are strongly urged to consult their own tax advisors concerning any possible reporting and disclosure obligations with respect to their investment in Notes.

### **Cayman Islands Tax Considerations**

The following discussion of certain Cayman Islands income tax consequences of an investment in the Securities is based on the advice of Maples and Calder as to Cayman Islands law. The discussion is a general summary of present law, which is subject to prospective and retroactive change. It assumes that the Issuer will conduct its affairs in accordance with assumptions made by, and representations made to, counsel. It is not intended as tax advice, does not consider any investor’s particular circumstances, and does not consider tax consequences other than those arising under Cayman Islands law.

Under existing Cayman Islands laws:

- (i) payments of principal and interest on the Notes and dividends and capital in respect of the Preference Shares will not be subject to taxation in the Cayman Islands and no withholding will be required on such payments to any Holder of a Security and gains derived



from the sale of Securities will not be subject to Cayman Islands income or corporation tax. The Cayman Islands currently have no income, corporation or capital gains tax and no estate duty, inheritance tax or gift tax;

(ii) no stamp duty is payable in respect of the issue or transfer of Securities although duty may be payable if Notes are executed in or brought into the Cayman Islands; and

(iii) certificates evidencing Securities, in registered form, to which title is not transferable by delivery, should not attract Cayman Islands stamp duty. However, an instrument transferring title to a Note, if brought to or executed in the Cayman Islands, would be subject to Cayman Islands stamp duty.

The Issuer has been incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands as an exempted company and, as such, has applied for and obtained an undertaking from the Governor in Cabinet of the Cayman Islands in substantially the following form:

“THE TAX CONCESSIONS LAW  
(1999 REVISION)  
UNDERTAKING AS TO TAX CONCESSIONS

In accordance with Section 6 of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision) the Governor in Cabinet undertakes with:

Westchester CLO, Ltd. “the Company”

- (a) that no Law which is hereafter enacted in the Islands imposing any tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations shall apply to the Company or its operations; and
- (b) in addition, that no tax to be levied on profits, income, gains or appreciations or which is in the nature of estate duty or inheritance tax shall be payable
  - (i) on or in respect of the shares debentures or other obligations of the Company; or
  - (ii) by way of the withholding in whole or in part of any relevant payment as defined in Section 6(3) of the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision).

These concessions shall be for a period of TWENTY years from the 21<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2006.

GOVERNOR IN CABINET”

The Cayman Islands does not have an income tax treaty arrangement with the U.S. or any other country.

THE PRECEDING DISCUSSION IS ONLY A SUMMARY OF CERTAIN OF THE TAX IMPLICATIONS OF AN INVESTMENT IN THE SECURITIES. PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS ARE URGED TO CONSULT WITH THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS PRIOR TO INVESTING TO DETERMINE THE TAX IMPLICATIONS OF SUCH INVESTMENT IN LIGHT OF SUCH INVESTORS’ CIRCUMSTANCES.

**CONSIDERATIONS FOR BENEFIT PLANS**

Except as described below, the Preference Shares and the Class E Notes may not be purchased by any Benefit Plan Investor. Subject to the following discussion, the Senior Notes may generally be acquired by Benefit Plan Investors. Any fiduciary or other person contemplating an investment in the Securities by, on behalf of or using the assets of, an employee benefit or similar plan or arrangement,

whether or not subject to Title I of ERISA (as defined below) or Section 4975 of the Code, should consider, among other things, the matters described below before deciding whether to invest in any of the Securities.

The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“**ERISA**”), establishes fiduciary standards for persons having authority or control of the assets of employee benefit plans subject to Title I thereof, including collective investment funds and other entities whose underlying assets are treated as if they were the assets of such plans (collectively, “**ERISA Plans**”) pursuant to Section 3(42) of ERISA, and the regulation issued by the United States Department of Labor (“**DOL**”) and found at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 (the “**Plan Asset Regulation**”) or otherwise pursuant to ERISA. Under Title I of ERISA, any person who exercises any authority or control with respect to the management or disposition of the assets of an ERISA Plan is considered to be a fiduciary of such ERISA Plan.

Investments by ERISA Plans are subject to ERISA’s general fiduciary requirements, including the requirement of investment prudence and diversification and the requirement that an ERISA Plan’s investments be made in accordance with the documents governing the relevant plan. The prudence of a particular investment must be determined by the responsible fiduciary of an ERISA Plan by taking into account the ERISA Plan’s particular circumstances and all of the facts and circumstances of the investment. A fiduciary of an ERISA Plan should consider, for example, that in the future there may be no market in which to sell or otherwise dispose of the Securities, whether an investment in the Securities may be too illiquid or too speculative, and whether the assets of the ERISA Plan would be sufficiently diversified.

Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code effectively prohibit certain transactions involving the assets of an ERISA Plan (as well as those plans that are not subject to Title I of ERISA but are subject to Section 4975 of the Code (each such plan or ERISA Plan, a “**Plan**”)) and certain persons having certain relationships to such Plans (referred to as “parties in interest” or “disqualified persons”), unless a statutory or administrative exemption applies to the transaction. A violation of these “prohibited transaction” rules may generate excise tax or other penalties and liabilities under ERISA and the Code for such person.

Additionally, the acquisition or holding of Securities by or on behalf of benefit plans that are not subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, such as foreign plans, governmental plans (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA) and certain church plans (as defined in Section 3(33) of ERISA) could give rise to similar liabilities under federal, state, foreign or local law which may be substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (a “**Similar Law**”), and/or might be prohibited or otherwise restricted as described herein.

Section 3(42) of ERISA and the Plan Asset Regulation define “plan assets” of a Plan with respect to the Plan’s investment in an entity for purposes of certain provisions of ERISA, including the fiduciary responsibility and prohibited transaction provisions of Title I of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code. Under Section 3(42) of ERISA and the Plan Asset Regulation, if a Plan invests in an “equity interest” of an entity that is neither a “publicly-offered security” nor a security issued by an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act, the Plan’s assets include both the equity interest and an undivided interest in each of the entity’s underlying assets, unless it is established that the entity is an “operating company” or that Benefit Plan Investors hold less than 25% of the value of any class of equity interest of the entity, determined as of the most recent acquisition of an equity interest. The term “Benefit Plan Investor” includes (a) an employee benefit plan as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA, that is subject to Title I of ERISA, (b) a plan described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code and (c) any entity whose underlying assets include “plan assets” of any of the foregoing by reason of an investment in the entity by such a plan or arrangement (a “**Benefit Plan Investor**”). For purposes of making the 25% determination, the value of any equity interests held by a person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) who has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the entity or who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to such assets, or any “affiliate” of such a person (as defined under the Plan Asset Regulation), will be disregarded. Under the

Plan Asset Regulation, an “affiliate” of a person includes any person, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controlling, controlled by or under common control with the person, and “control” with respect to a person other than an individual, means the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of such person.

An “equity interest” is defined under the Plan Asset Regulation as an interest other than an instrument which is treated as indebtedness under applicable local law and which has no substantial equity features.

### **Senior Notes**

The Co-Issuers believe that, at the time of their issuance, the Senior Notes should be treated as indebtedness without substantial equity features for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulation. This determination is based in part upon the traditional debt features of such Senior Notes, including the reasonable expectation of purchasers of such Senior Notes that they will be repaid when due, as well as the absence of conversion rights, warrants and other typical equity features. The Co-Issuers will therefore not monitor the investment by Benefit Plan Investors in the Senior Notes. It should be noted that the debt treatment of the Senior Notes for ERISA purposes could change subsequent to their issuance (i.e., they could be treated as equity) if the Issuers incur losses or the rating or other terms and conditions of the Senior Notes changes. The risk of recharacterization is enhanced for subordinate classes of the Senior Notes. The Co-Issuers have not obtained an opinion of counsel regarding the debt treatment of Senior Notes under local law or the Plan Asset Regulation.

Regardless of the characterization of the Senior Notes as debt or equity under the Plan Asset Regulation and regardless of the level of Benefit Plan Investor investment in any class of Securities, the acquisition or holding of Senior Notes by or on behalf of a Plan could give rise to a prohibited transaction if any of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, other persons providing services in connection with the Issuers, or any of their respective affiliates is a “party in interest” or “disqualified person” with respect to that Plan. Persons acting on behalf of Plans that acquire the Securities should also consider that an indirect prohibited transaction could result in connection with the Issuer’s acquisition of Collateral from the Initial Purchasers (or one of their affiliates) if either of the Initial Purchasers is a “party in interest” or “disqualified person” with respect to such Plans. Certain exemptions from the prohibited transaction rules could be applicable, however, depending in part upon the type of fiduciary making the decision to acquire Senior Notes and the circumstances under which such decision is made. Included among these exemptions are the statutory prohibited transactions exemption under Section 408(b)(17) of ERISA available to “service providers” to the Plan (other than a fiduciary with respect to the Plan assets used to acquire the Senior Notes or any of its affiliates) provided that the transaction is for “adequate consideration”, DOL Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption (“PTCE”) 84-14, regarding transactions effected by independent “qualified professional asset managers;” PTCE 90-1, regarding investments by insurance company pooled separate accounts; PTCE 91-38, regarding investments by bank collective investment funds; PTCE 95-60, regarding investments by insurance company general accounts; and PTCE 96-23, regarding transactions effected by certain “in-house asset managers.” However, even if the conditions specified in one or more of these exemptions are met, the scope of the relief provided by these exemptions might or might not cover all acts which might be construed as prohibited transactions. There can be no assurance that any of these, or any other exemption, will be available with respect to any particular transaction involving the Senior Notes.

Similarly, the acquisition or holding of Senior Notes by or on behalf of foreign plans, governmental plans (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA) and certain church plans (as defined in Section 3(33) of ERISA), which are not subject to Title I of ERISA and/or Section 4975 of the Code, could give rise to a prohibited transaction or other liabilities under Similar Law.

By acquiring a Senior Note, each purchaser and transferee will be deemed to represent, warrant and covenant that either (i) it is not, and is not acquiring such Senior Note with the assets of, a Plan or a foreign, governmental or church plan subject to Similar Law, and throughout the holding and disposition of such Senior Note, it will not become or transfer its interest to any Plan or foreign, governmental or

church plan or to an entity using the assets thereof, or (ii) the acquisition, holding and disposition of such Senior Note by the purchaser or transferee, throughout its holding and disposition of such Senior Note, will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a foreign, governmental or church plan, any violation of Similar Law), because such purchase, holding and disposition either (x) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (y) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all of the conditions of which are and will be satisfied upon its acquisition of, and throughout its holding and disposition of, such Senior Note. Each investor in a Senior Note will be deemed to represent, warrant and covenant that it will not sell, pledge or otherwise transfer such Senior Note in violation of the foregoing, and that it and any person causing it to acquire such Senior Note agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of such purchaser not satisfying the foregoing or as a result of its transferring its interest to a Person not meeting the foregoing requirements. Any purported transfer of the Senior Note to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of the foregoing shall be null and void *ab initio*, and will vest in the transferee no rights against the Trustee or the Co-Issuers.

### **Class E Notes and Preference Shares**

Although the Issuer will treat the Class E Notes as debt, this characterization is subject to uncertainty and the Class E Notes may be characterized as equity interests for purposes of Section 3(42) of ERISA and the Plan Asset Regulation. The Preference Shares are equity of the Issuer and will be treated as equity interests for purposes of Section 3(42) of ERISA and the Plan Asset Regulation. Accordingly, the Issuer intends to limit the purchase and holding of each of the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares by Benefit Plan Investors to less than 25% of the aggregate outstanding amount of each of the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares (excluding for purposes of such determination any Class E Notes or Preference Shares held by “Controlling Persons” as defined below), by requiring each purchaser or transferee thereof to make certain representations and agreements with respect to its status as a Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person, and to agree to additional transfer restrictions described under “Transfer Restrictions.” In making the 25% determination, Class E Notes and Preference Shares held by any person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer or any “affiliate” (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) of any such person (any such person, a “**Controlling Person**”) (such as the Class E Notes and the Class II Preference Shares held by the Servicer or its affiliates and employees thereof) will be disregarded and not treated as outstanding. No purchase of a Class E Note or a Preference Share by, or proposed transfer to, a person that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person will be permitted to the extent that such purchase or transfer would result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares, as applicable, (excluding for purposes of such determination any Class E Notes or Preference Shares, as applicable, held by any Controlling Person immediately after such purchase or proposed transfer (determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents).

In addition, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Trustee will agree that, after the initial distribution of the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares, neither they nor any of their respective affiliates will acquire any Class E Notes or Preference Shares (including pursuant to the Extension Procedure, a Refinancing, or the Amendment Buy-Out Option) unless such acquisition would not, as determined by the Trustee in reliance on representations made in the applicable transfer certificates with respect thereto, result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of any of the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such acquisition (determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents). The Class E Notes and the Preference Shares held as principal by the Servicer, the Trustee, any of their respective affiliates (as

defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) and persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% limitation to the extent that such Controlling Person is not a Benefit Plan Investor.

Each purchaser and transferee will be further required to represent, warrant and covenant that no transfer of a Class E Note or a Preference Share will be made to a Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person except as provided herein, and that it and any fiduciaries or other Person causing it to acquire such Securities agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of any transfer of Class E Notes or Preference Shares, as applicable, in violation of the foregoing.

### **Independent Review and Consultation with Counsel**

Any person proposing to purchase Securities with assets of an employee benefit plan or similar plan or arrangement, including a collective investment fund, insurance company general account or a foreign, governmental or church plan, should consult with its counsel with respect to, among other things, the limitations applicable to Benefit Plan Investors specified herein, and the potential applicability of ERISA, the Code and Similar Law to such investment and whether any exemption from the prohibited transaction provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code or such Similar Law would be applicable. Each investor must determine on its own whether all conditions of any applicable exemption have been satisfied. Moreover, each ERISA Plan fiduciary should determine whether, under the general fiduciary standards of investment prudence and diversification, an investment in the Securities is appropriate for the ERISA Plan, taking into account the overall investment policy of the ERISA Plan, the composition of the ERISA Plan's investment portfolio, and the risk/return characteristics of the Securities.

### **PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION**

The Initial Purchaser will, pursuant to and subject to the terms and conditions of the Purchase Agreement, agree to purchase all of the Notes and the Class I Preference Shares. The offering price and other terms of the offering of the Securities (the "Offering") may be changed at any time without notice. Pursuant to the Purchase Agreement, the Initial Purchaser will receive certain fees and expenses on the Closing Date.

On the Closing Date, (i) HFP and/or one or more of its subsidiaries are expected to purchase all of the Class II Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$41,000,000 at a discounted purchase price and certain of the Class E Notes having an aggregate principal amount equal to U.S.\$9,500,000 at a discounted purchase price and (ii) the Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates is expected to purchase certain of the Class I Preference Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$17,000,000 at a discounted purchase price. The Initial Purchasers or an Affiliate of the Initial Purchasers may provide financing for these purchases. The Initial Purchasers are not acting as placement agents or initial purchasers with respect to the Preference Shares sold by the Issuer to HFP or any of its subsidiaries.

The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act and may not be offered, sold or delivered within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, a U.S. person, on behalf of the Co-Issuers (or, in the case of the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares, the Issuer), except to Qualified Institutional Buyers (or, solely in the case of certain Holders purchasing Class E Notes on the Closing Date, Institutional Accredited Investors) in transactions not subject to the registration requirements of the Securities Act in reliance on Rule 144A under the Securities Act, that are also Qualified Purchasers.

The Co-Issuers have been advised by each Initial Purchaser that it proposes to resell the Notes and the Class I Preference Shares purchased pursuant to the Purchase Agreement (a) only to Qualified Institutional Buyers (or, solely in the case of certain Holders purchasing Class E Notes on the Closing Date, Institutional Accredited Investors) that are also Qualified Purchasers in reliance on an exemption

under the Securities Act and (b) in the case of the Senior Notes, to non U.S. persons in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S. Any offer or sale of Notes or Class I Preference Shares in the United States will be made by the Initial Purchasers or other broker-dealers, including Affiliates of the Initial Purchasers, who are registered as broker-dealers under the Exchange Act. Until the expiration of 40 days after the later of the Closing Date and the commencement of the Offering of the Notes, a re-offer or resale of any Senior Notes originally sold pursuant to Regulation S to, or for the account or benefit of, a U.S. person by a dealer or person receiving a concession, fee or remuneration in respect of the Notes (whether or not they participated in the offering) may violate the registration requirements of the Securities Act unless such offer or sale is made in accordance with an exemption from registration under the Securities Act.

Each purchaser of the Class E Notes or Class I Preference Shares on the Closing Date will be required to execute and deliver a subscription agreement, in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer, which will include, among other things, representations and warranties substantially similar to those described under “Transfer Restrictions.”

The Securities are offered when, as and if issued, subject to prior sale or withdrawal, cancellation or modification of the offer. The Securities will constitute new classes of securities with no established trading market. Such a market may or may not develop, but the Initial Purchasers are under no obligation to make such a market, and if they do make such a market they may discontinue any market-making activities with respect to the Securities at any time without notice. Any market-making activities will be subject to restrictions under applicable law. No assurances can be made as to the liquidity of or any trading market for the Securities.

One or more Affiliates of the Initial Purchasers are financing the acquisition of Collateral Obligations by the Issuer prior to the Closing Date. The Servicer or one or more of its Affiliates will each be entitled to a share of the interest and any fees and commissions (net of any interest and other amounts payable to the Pre-Closing Parties on loans made by them to finance the acquisition of Collateral Obligations) paid by the obligors of such Collateral Obligations or accrued from the time of purchase to the Closing Date, plus a share of the amount by which any realized net gains exceed any realized net losses on Collateral Obligations sold or fully repaid during the Accumulation Period, in each case, in proportion to the percentage of Preference Shares each such party purchases on the Closing Date. In addition, a broker-dealer Affiliate of the Servicer may receive a fee for placing certain of the Securities. The Initial Purchasers or their Affiliates may also provide financing to the Servicer or its Affiliates in connection with their purchase of certain Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares which will be secured by a lien on such financed Class E Notes, Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares.

This Offering Memorandum is being furnished on a confidential basis solely for the purpose of considering the purchase of the Securities. Each recipient of this Offering Memorandum should make such investigations as it deems necessary to arrive at an independent evaluation of an investment in the Securities and should consult its own legal counsel and financial, accounting, regulatory and tax advisors to determine the consequences of such an investment. Delivery of this Offering Memorandum should not be construed as a recommendation by the Initial Purchasers to purchase the Securities. This Offering Memorandum is intended for the exclusive use of persons who are both Qualified Institutional Buyers (or, solely in the case of certain Holders purchasing Class E Notes on the Closing Date, Institutional Accredited Investors) and Qualified Purchasers and, if applicable, non-U.S. persons, and may not be reproduced or used for any other purpose or furnished to any other party. No action has been or will be taken in any jurisdiction that would permit a public offering of the Securities, or the possession, circulation or distribution of this Offering Memorandum or any other material relating to the Initial Purchasers or the Securities, in any jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required. Accordingly, the Securities may not be offered or sold, directly or indirectly, and neither this Offering Memorandum nor any other offering material or advertisements in connection with the Securities may be distributed or published, in or from any country or jurisdiction except under circumstances that will result in compliance with any applicable rules and regulations of any such country or jurisdiction.

Each Initial Purchaser will represent and agree that (1) this Offering Memorandum will only be distributed to and directed by it at (i) persons who are outside the United Kingdom or (ii) investment professionals falling within Article 19(5) of the Order or (iii) persons falling within Article 49(2)(a) to (d) (“high net worth companies, unincorporated associations, etc.”) of the Order (all such persons together being referred to as “relevant persons”) and (2) the Notes and the Class I Preference Shares will only be available to, and any invitation, offer or agreement to subscribe, purchase or otherwise acquire such Notes will be engaged in only with, relevant persons.

Each Initial Purchaser has represented and agreed that:

(i) it will not underwrite or place Notes Securities otherwise than in conformity with the provisions of the Investment Intermediaries Act, 1995 of Ireland, as amended, including, without limitation, Sections 9 and 23 (including advertising restrictions made thereunder) thereof and the codes of conduct made under Section 37 thereof or, in the case of a credit institution exercising its rights under the Banking Consolidation Directive (2000/12/EC of 20th March, 2000) in conformity with the codes of conduct or practice made under Section 117(1) of the Central Bank Act, 1989, of Ireland, as amended, in each case with respect to anything done by it in relation to the Securities if operating in, or otherwise involving, Ireland;

(ii) in connection with offers or sales of Securities, it has only issued or passed on, and will only issue or pass on, in Ireland, any document received by it in connection with the issue of such Securities to persons who are persons to whom the documents may otherwise lawfully be issued or passed on; and

(iii) in respect of a local offer (within the meaning of Section 38(1) of the Investment Funds, Companies and Miscellaneous Provisions Act 2005 of Ireland (the “2005 Act”)) of Securities in Ireland, it has complied and will comply with Section 49 of the 2005 Act.

Each Initial Purchaser has agreed that it has not made and will not make any invitation to the public in the Cayman Islands to subscribe for the Securities.

No action is being taken or is contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Securities or possession or distribution of any Offering Memorandum (in preliminary or final form) or any amendment thereof, any supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Securities in any jurisdiction where, or in any other circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Each Initial Purchaser understands and agrees that it is solely responsible for its own compliance with all laws applicable in each jurisdiction in which it offers and sells the Securities or distributes any Offering Memorandum (in preliminary or final form) or any amendments thereof or supplements thereto or any other material and it agrees to comply with all of these laws.

The Issuer has agreed to indemnify each Initial Purchaser, the Servicer, the Administrator, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Trustee against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, or to contribute to payments it may be required to make in respect thereof.

Certain of the Collateral Obligations may have been originally underwritten or placed by the Initial Purchasers or their Affiliates. It is expected that one or more Affiliates of the Initial Purchasers may act as counterparty with respect to all or a portion of the Synthetic Securities. One or more Affiliates of the Initial Purchasers may, with acceptable credit support arrangements, if necessary, engage in securities lending transactions with the Issuer. The Issuer may enter into a Hedge Agreement with an Affiliate of the Initial Purchasers on the Closing Date, and may enter into additional Hedge Agreements with such Affiliates thereafter. See “Hedge Agreements.” In addition, the Initial Purchasers or their Affiliates may have in the past and may in the future perform investment banking services or other services for issuers of the Collateral Obligations. Further, the Initial Purchasers will sell and/or finance Collateral Obligations to or for the Issuer (including, without limitation, Collateral Obligations to be purchased on the Closing Date). See “Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The

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In addition, the Initial Purchasers or their Affiliates may from time to time, as a principal or through one or more investment funds that it manages, make loans to, or investments in the debt and/or equity securities of one or more of the issuers of Collateral Obligations and one or more of such issuers may be or may become controlled by such Initial Purchaser or its Affiliates. The Initial Purchasers and their Affiliates may be actively engaged in purchases and sales of the same securities or loans as owned by the Issuer which may be on terms different from those made on behalf of the Issuer. The Initial Purchasers and their Affiliates may, or may in the future, compete with the Issuer for appropriate securities or loans to purchase and will be under no duty or obligation to share such opportunities with the Issuer. The Initial Purchasers or their Affiliates may act as a placement agent and/or initial purchaser in other transactions involving issues of collateralized debt obligations and other similar portfolios managed by other investment managers, and may provide financing for the accumulation of leveraged loans and high yield bonds as collateral for such transactions. The Initial Purchasers are not obligated to make any particular securities or loans available to the Issuer or the Servicer, and may allocate such securities or loans among its various customer relationships, including the Issuer and the Servicer. Such activities may have an adverse effect on the availability of Collateral for the Issuer. See “Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Initial Purchasers”

The Initial Purchasers and their Affiliates may purchase Notes or Class I Preference Shares for their own account or for re-packaging purposes or enter into transactions related or linked to the Notes or Class I Preference Shares. If the Initial Purchasers or any of their Affiliates purchase Notes or Class I Preference Shares they shall be entitled to transfer such Notes or Class I Preference Shares subject to the transfer restrictions set forth in the Indenture or the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, as applicable. See “Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Initial Purchasers”.

The Co-Issuers extend to each prospective investor the opportunity, prior to the consummation of the sale of the Securities, to ask questions of, and receive answers from the Co-Issuers or a person or persons acting on behalf of the Co-Issuers, including the Initial Purchasers concerning the Securities and the terms and conditions of this Offering and to obtain any additional information it may consider necessary in making an informed investment decision and any information in order to verify the accuracy of the information set forth herein, to the extent the Co-Issuers possess the same or can acquire the same without unreasonable effort or expense. Requests for such additional information can be directed to the Initial Purchasers at 745 Seventh Ave., New York, New York 10019, Attention: CDO Banking.

## **SETTLEMENT AND CLEARING**

### **Book Entry Registration of the Global Notes**

So long as the Depository, or its nominee, is the registered owner or Holder of a Global Note, the Depository or the nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the sole owner or Holder of the Senior Notes represented by a Global Note for all purposes under the Indenture, the Issuer Charter and the Global Notes, and members of, or participants in, the Depository as well as any other persons on whose behalf the participants may act (including Clearstream and Euroclear and account holders and participants therein) will have no rights under the Indenture, the Issuer Charter or a Global Note. Owners of beneficial interests in a Global Note will not be considered to be owners or Holders of the related Senior Note under the Indenture or the Issuer Charter. Unless the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for a Global Note or ceases to be a “clearing agency” registered under the Exchange Act, owners of a beneficial interest in a Global Note will not be entitled to have any portion of a Global Note registered in their names, will not receive or be entitled to receive physical delivery of Senior Notes in certificated form and will not be considered to be the owners or Holders of any Senior Notes under the Indenture. In addition, no beneficial owner of an interest in a Global Note will be able to transfer that interest except in accordance with the Depository’s applicable



procedures (in addition to those under the Indenture and, if applicable, those of Euroclear and Clearstream).

Investors may hold their interests in a Regulation S Global Note directly through Clearstream or Euroclear, if they are participants in Clearstream or Euroclear, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in Clearstream or Euroclear. Clearstream and Euroclear will hold interests in the Regulation S Global Notes on behalf of their participants through their respective depositories, which in turn will hold the interests in Regulation S Global Notes in customers' securities accounts in the depositories' names on the books of the Depository. Investors may hold their interests in a Rule 144A Global Note directly through the Depository if they are participants in the Depository, or in directly through organizations that are participants in the Depository.

Payments of principal of, or interest or other distributions on a Global Note will be made to the Depository or its nominee, as the registered owner thereof. The Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the paying agents, the Initial Purchasers, the Servicer and their respective Affiliates will not have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests in a Global Note or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to the beneficial ownership interests.

The Co-Issuers expect that the Depository or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment of principal, interest, or other distributions in respect of a Global Note representing any Senior Notes, as the case may be, held by it or its nominee, will immediately credit participants' accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the stated aggregate principal amount or number of a Global Note for the Senior Notes, as shown on the records of the Depository or its nominee. The Co-Issuers also expect that payments by participants to owners of beneficial interests in a Global Note held through the participants will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers registered in the names of nominees for those customers. The payments will be the responsibility of the participants.

### **Global Note Settlement Procedures**

Transfers between the participants in the Depository will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with the Depository rules and will be settled in immediately available funds. The laws of some states require that certain persons take physical delivery of securities in definitive form. Consequently, the ability to transfer beneficial interests in a Global Note to these persons may be limited. Because the Depository can only act on behalf of participants, who in turn act on behalf of indirect participants and certain banks, the ability of a person holding a beneficial interest in a Global Note to pledge its interest to persons or entities that do not participate in the Depository system, or otherwise take actions in respect of its interest, may be affected by the lack of a physical certificate of the interest. Transfers between participants in Euroclear and Clearstream will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with their respective rules and operating procedures.

Subject to compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Securities described above and under "Transfer Restrictions," cross-market transfers between the Depository, on the one hand, and directly or indirectly through Euroclear or Clearstream participants, on the other, will be effected in the Depository in accordance with the Depository rules on behalf of Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, by its respective depository; *however*, the cross-market transactions will require delivery of instructions to Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, by the counterparty in the system in accordance with its rules and procedures and within its established deadlines (Brussels time). Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, will if the transaction meets its settlement requirements, deliver instructions to its respective depository to take action to effect final settlement on its behalf by delivering or receiving interests in a Senior Note represented by a Regulation S Global Note in the Depository and making or receiving payment in accordance with normal procedures for same-day funds settlement applicable to the Depository. Clearstream participants and Euroclear participants may not deliver instructions directly to the depositories of Clearstream or Euroclear.

Because of time zone differences, cash received in Euroclear or Clearstream as a result of sales of interests in a Regulation S Global Note by or through a Euroclear or Clearstream participant to the Depository participant will be received with value on the Depository settlement date but will be available in the relevant Euroclear or Clearstream cash account only as of the business day following settlement in the Depository.

The Depository has advised the Issuer that it will take any action permitted to be taken by a Holder of Securities (including the presentation of Securities for exchange as described above) only at the direction of one or more participants in the Depository to whose account with the Depository interests in the Securities are credited and only in respect of the portion of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities as to which the participant or participants has or have given the direction.

The Depository has advised the Issuer as follows: The Depository is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a “banking organization” within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a “clearing corporation” within the meaning of the UCC and a “Clearing Agency” registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. The Depository was created to hold securities for its participants and facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of its participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates. Participants in the Depository include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations and may include certain other organizations. Indirect access to the Depository system is available to others such as banks, brokers, dealers, and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a participant, either directly or indirectly.

Although the Depository, Clearstream and Euroclear have agreed to the foregoing procedures to facilitate transfers of interests in Regulation S Global Notes among participants of the Depository, Clearstream and Euroclear, they are under no obligation to perform or continue to perform the procedures, and the procedures may be discontinued at any time. Neither the Co-Issuers nor the Trustee will have any responsibility for the performance by the Depository, Clearstream, or Euroclear or their respective participants or indirect participants of their respective obligations under the rules and procedures governing their operations.

### **TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS**

Because of the following restrictions, purchasers are advised to consult legal counsel prior to making any offer, resale, pledge or transfer of the Securities. Purchasers of Senior Notes represented by an interest in a Regulation S Global Note are advised that such interests are not transferable to U.S. Persons at any time except in accordance with the following restrictions.

Each prospective purchaser of Securities that is a U.S. Person or is purchasing the Securities in a non-Offshore Transaction (a “**U.S. Offeree**”), by accepting delivery of this Offering Memorandum, will be deemed to have represented and agreed as follows:

- (1) The U.S. Offeree acknowledges that this Offering Memorandum is personal to the U.S. Offeree and does not constitute an offer to any other person or to the public generally to subscribe for or otherwise acquire the Securities other than pursuant to transactions exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act or in Offshore Transactions in accordance with Regulation S. Distribution of this Offering Memorandum to any person other than the U.S. Offeree and those persons, if any, retained to advise the U.S. Offeree with respect thereto, and other persons that are, (a) in the case of the Senior Notes, Qualified Institutional Buyers or non-U.S. Persons or, (b) in the case of the Class E Notes or the Preference Shares, Qualified Institutional Buyers, is unauthorized and any disclosure of any of its contents, without the prior written consent of the Co-Issuers, is prohibited.

(2) The U.S. Offeree agrees to make no photocopies of this Offering Memorandum or any documents referred to herein and, if the U.S. Offeree does not purchase the Securities or the offering is terminated, to return this Offering Memorandum and all documents referred to herein to the Initial Purchasers at 745 Seventh Ave., New York, New York 10019, Attention: CDO Banking.

Under the Indenture (with respect to the Co-Issuers) and the Preference Share Documents (with respect to the Issuer), the Co-Issuers or the Issuer will agree to comply with the requirements of Rule 144A relative to the dissemination of information to prospective purchasers in the secondary market. See “Available Information.”

The Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act and, (a) in the case of the Senior Notes, may not be offered or sold in non-Offshore Transactions or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. Persons, except to Qualified Institutional Buyers in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act who are also Qualified Purchasers and, (b) in the case of the Class E Notes or the Preference Shares, may only be offered or sold to Qualified Institutional Buyers (or, solely in the case of certain Holders purchasing Class E Notes on the Closing Date, Institutional Accredited Investors) in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act who are also Qualified Purchasers.

Any purported transfer of a Security not in accordance with this section shall be null and void and shall not be given effect for any purpose hereunder.

#### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes**

Each purchaser of a beneficial interest in Senior Notes represented by a Rule 144A Global Note will be deemed to represent and agree (on its own behalf, or if the purchaser is acquiring the Senior Notes for any account, on behalf of each such account) (and each transferee of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note will be required or deemed to represent and agree) as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A or Regulation S are used herein as defined therein):

(1) (A) The purchaser is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser, (B) the purchaser is purchasing the Senior Notes for its own account or the account of another Qualified Purchaser that is also a Qualified Institutional Buyer as to which the purchaser exercises sole investment discretion, (C) the purchaser and any such account is acquiring the Senior Notes as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (D) the purchaser and any such account was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Senior Notes (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (E) to the extent the purchaser (or any account for which it is purchasing the Senior Notes) is a private investment company formed on or before April 30, 1996, the purchaser and each such account has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (F) the purchaser is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (G) the purchaser is not a pension, profit-sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants or affiliates may designate the particular investment to be made, (H) the purchaser agrees that it and each such account shall not hold such Senior Notes for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Senior Notes or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the distributions on the Senior Notes (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (I) the Senior Notes purchased directly or indirectly by the purchaser or any account for which it is purchasing the Senior Notes constitute an investment of no more than 40% of the purchaser's and each such account's assets (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser or any such account is a Qualified Purchaser), (J) the purchaser and each such account is purchasing the Senior Notes in a principal amount of not less than the minimum denomination requirement for the purchaser and each such account, (K) the purchaser will provide notice of the

transfer restrictions set forth in the Indenture (including the exhibits thereto) to any transferee of its Senior Notes and (L) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Senior Notes to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph (1) shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(2) The purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Senior Notes, and the purchaser, and any account for which it is acting, are each able to bear the economic risk of the purchaser's or its investment.

(3) The purchaser understands that the Senior Notes are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Senior Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein, such Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the applicable legend in respect of such Senior Notes set forth in (6) below and the restrictions set forth in the Indenture. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Co-Issuers, the Servicer or the Initial Purchasers as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Senior Notes.

(4) The purchaser is not purchasing the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Senior Notes involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of its entire investment in the Senior Notes under certain circumstances. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Co-Issuers, the Senior Notes and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchasers.

(5) In connection with the purchase of Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Servicer by any Affiliate of or account serviced by the Servicer): (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for the purchaser, (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates other than in the Offering Memorandum and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other person) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of the Senior Notes or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the Indenture) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator the Initial Purchasers, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein reflect those in relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) if the

purchaser is acting for the account of another investor, the purchaser represents that the investment on behalf of such account is based on a determination that the investment is suitable based on the risks referred to in this Offering Memorandum (including, without limitation, the “Risk Factors” and the “Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes”), given the investment objectives of the account for which the purchase is being made, and that the investment is consistent with any applicable legal requirements; (vii) the purchaser is purchasing the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (viii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

(6) (i) The purchaser understands that the Senior Notes offered to Qualified Institutional Buyers in reliance on the exemption from the registration requirements under the Securities Act provided by Rule 144A (a) will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Co-Issuers determine otherwise in accordance with applicable law, (b) will be represented by one or more Rule 144A Global Notes, and (c) may not at any time be resold, pledged or transferred to U.S. Persons that are not Qualified Institutional Buyers and Qualified Purchasers. Before any interest in a Rule 144A Global Note may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a Person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note, the transferor will be required to provide the Trustee with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “**SECURITIES ACT**”), AND THE CO-ISSUERS HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**”). THE PURCHASER HEREOF, BY PURCHASING THIS NOTE, AGREES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CO-ISSUERS THAT THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN MAY BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, ONLY (A)(1) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER, IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT SO LONG AS THIS NOTE IS ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A OR (2) TO A NON-U.S. PERSON IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION COMPLYING WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND, IN CASE OF CLAUSE (1), TO A PURCHASER THAT (W) IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WITH EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER), (X) TO THE EXTENT THE PURCHASER (OR ANY ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS PURCHASING THE NOTES) IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS, (Y) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS, AND (Z) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE, (B) IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN U.S.\$250,000 FOR THE PURCHASER AND FOR EACH ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT IS ACTING AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE STATES OF THE UNITED STATES. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS TRANSFEREE. EACH PURCHASER OF THIS NOTE OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE

OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE CO-ISSUERS, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE CO-ISSUERS MAINTAIN THE RIGHT TO RESELL NOTES OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED U.S. HOLDERS (AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE INDENTURE.

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

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE AND ANY PAYING AGENT WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR SUCCESSOR APPLICABLE FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A “UNITED STATES PERSON” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE “CODE”), OR AN APPLICABLE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR SUCCESSOR APPLICABLE FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A “UNITED STATES PERSON” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THIS NOTE.

THE PURCHASER HEREOF, BY PURCHASING THIS NOTE, AGREES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CO-ISSUERS THAT THIS NOTE AND ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST HEREIN MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT TO A PERSON THAT REPRESENTS, WARRANTS AND COVENANTS THAT EITHER (I) IT IS NOT, AND IS NOT USING THE ASSETS OF, AND THROUGHOUT THE HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF SUCH NOTES WILL NOT BECOME OR TRANSFER ITS INTEREST TO, AN “EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(3) OF THE UNITED STATES EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED (“ERISA”), THAT IS SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA, A “PLAN” DESCRIBED IN SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE “CODE”), THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, OR AN ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE THE ASSETS OF ANY SUCH PLAN, OR A GOVERNMENTAL, FOREIGN OR CHURCH PLAN SUBJECT TO ANY FEDERAL, STATE, FOREIGN OR LOCAL LAW THAT IS SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE OR (II) ITS PURCHASE, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF THIS NOTE WILL NOT RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE (OR IN THE CASE OF ANY GOVERNMENTAL, FOREIGN OR CHURCH PLAN, ANY VIOLATION OF FEDERAL, STATE, FOREIGN OR LOCAL LAW SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE) BECAUSE SUCH PURCHASE, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF SUCH NOTE EITHER (A) IS NOT, AND WILL NOT BECOME, SUBJECT TO SUCH LAWS, OR (B) IS COVERED BY AN EXEMPTION FROM ALL APPLICABLE PROHIBITED TRANSACTIONS, ALL OF THE CONDITIONS OF WHICH ARE AND WILL BE SATISFIED UPON THE ACQUISITION OF, AND THROUGHOUT ITS HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF, THIS NOTE. ANY PURPORTED TRANSFER OF THIS NOTE THAT DOES NOT COMPLY WITH THESE REQUIREMENTS SHALL BE NULL AND VOID *AB INITIO*.

(ii) In addition, each Regulation S Global Note representing any Senior Note will contain the following additional legend:

EACH TRANSFEREE OF THE NOTE REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL, IF REQUIRED BY THE INDENTURE, BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE INDENTURE OR WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE.

(7) The purchaser will provide notice to each person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Senior Notes of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Indenture, including the exhibits referenced therein.

(8) The purchaser understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein who is a U.S. Person and who is determined not to have been both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser at the time of acquisition of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein to sell such interest, or to sell such interest on behalf of such purchaser, to a person that is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A or to a person that is a non-U.S. Person in an Offshore Transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S.

(9) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Senior Notes, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase Senior Notes from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell such Senior Note to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(10) The purchaser understands that the Stated Maturity of the Senior Notes is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

(11) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Co-Issuers that would permit a public offering of the Senior Notes in any jurisdiction. The purchaser further acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Co-Issuers that would permit possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Senior Notes in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the offering memorandum relating to the Senior Notes shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Senior Notes in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

(12) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

(13) (a) Either (i) the purchaser is not, and is not using the assets of, and throughout the holding and disposition of the Senior Notes will not become or transfer its interest to, an employee benefit plan or other fund or arrangement subject to Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”), a plan subject to Section 4975(e) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”), or a governmental, foreign or church plan which is subject to any federal, state, foreign or local law that is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or (ii) the purchaser’s purchase, holding and disposition of such Senior Notes will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a

governmental, foreign or church plan, any federal, state, foreign or local law that is substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code) because such purchase, holding and disposition of such Senior Notes either (x) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws, or (y) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all of the conditions of which are and will be satisfied upon the acquisition of, and throughout its holding and disposition of, such Senior Notes; (b) the purchaser shall not transfer an interest in such Senior Notes to any transferee unless such transferee meets the foregoing requirements; and (c) the purchaser and any fiduciaries or other Person causing it to acquire such Senior Notes agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of such purchaser not meeting the foregoing requirements or as a result of its transferring its interest to a transferee not meeting the foregoing requirements. Any purported purchase or transfer of the Senior Notes to a purchaser or transferee that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph (13) shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(14) The purchaser understands that the Co-Issuers may receive a list of participants holding positions in its securities from one or more book-entry depositories.

(15) The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Senior Notes or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Indenture, to which provisions the purchaser hereby agrees it is subject.

(16) The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

(17) The beneficial owner will agree to treat the Senior Notes as unconditional debt of the Issuer for tax, accounting and financial reporting purposes.

(18) To the extent required, as determined by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Trustee, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Senior Notes to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the U.S. Patriot Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Senior Note to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

(19) The purchaser understands that, to the extent required, as determined by the Co-Issuers, the Co-Issuers may amend the Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer only, the Preference Share Documents, without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders of the Securities that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7 if, at any time following the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers elect to rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7).

(20) The purchaser understands that the Issuer may enter into amendments or modifications to the Servicing Agreement without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities.

(21) The purchaser agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.



(22) The purchaser acknowledges that the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Trustee and the Initial Purchasers. If the purchaser is acquiring any Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein as a fiduciary or agent for one or more institutional accounts, it represents that it has sole investment discretion with respect to each such account and it has full power to make the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements on behalf of such account.

### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Regulation S Global Notes**

Each purchaser of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note will be further deemed (and each transferee of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note will be required or deemed), in addition to making the representations set forth in paragraphs (3), (4), (5) and (7) through (22) above in “—Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes,” to represent and agree as follows:

The purchaser is aware that the Senior Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or any other applicable state securities law and the sale of such Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein to it is being made in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Regulation S and understands that the Senior Notes offered in reliance on Regulation S will bear the appropriate legend set forth in paragraph (6) above in “—Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Rule 144A Global Notes” and will be represented by one or more Regulation S Global Notes. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Co-Issuers or the Initial Purchasers as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any other jurisdiction for resale of the Senior Notes. The purchaser and each beneficial owner of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein that it holds is not, and will not be, a U.S. Person as defined in Regulation S and its purchase of the Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein will comply with all applicable laws in any jurisdiction in which it resides or is located and will be in a principal amount of not less than U.S.\$250,000. The purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Senior Notes or any beneficial interest therein, and it, and any accounts for which it is acting are each able to bear the economic risk of its investment. Before any interest in a Regulation S Global Note may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note, the transferor and the transferee will be required to provide the Trustee with written certifications as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Class E Notes**

Each purchaser of Class E Notes acquiring such Class E Notes in the initial offering will be required to enter into a Subscription Agreement with the Issuer (or otherwise provides the Issuer with a certification) pursuant to which each such purchaser will be required to represent and agree (and each subsequent transferee will be required to represent and agree), on its own behalf as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A are used herein as defined therein):

(1) The purchaser is a Qualified Institutional Buyer (or, solely in the case of certain purchasers purchasing Class E Notes on the Closing Date, an Institutional Accredited Investor) and is aware that the sale of Class E Notes to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements provided by Section 4(2) and is acquiring the Class E Notes for its own account (and not for the account of any family or other trust, any family member or any other person). In addition, the purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Class E Notes, and the purchaser is able to bear the economic risk of the purchaser’s investment.

(2) The purchaser understands that the Class E Notes are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Class E Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Class E Notes, such Class E Notes may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the legend in respect of such Class E Notes set forth in (7) below and the restrictions set forth in the Indenture. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Issuer, the Servicer or the Initial Purchasers or any of their respective Affiliates as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Class E Notes.

(3) The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Class E Notes or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Indenture, to which provisions the purchaser agrees it is subject.

(4) The purchaser is not purchasing the Class E Notes with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that the Class E Notes will be highly illiquid and are not suitable for short-term trading. The Class E Notes are a leveraged investment in the Collateral Obligations that may expose the Class E Notes to disproportionately large changes in value. Payments in respect of the Class E Notes are not guaranteed as they are dependent on the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Class E Notes involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of all or a substantial part of its investment. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Issuer, the Class E Notes and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Class E Notes, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Issuer and the Initial Purchasers.

(5) In connection with the purchase of Class E Notes (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Servicer by any Affiliate of or account serviced by the Servicer): (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers, any Hedge Counterparty, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for the purchaser; (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers, any Hedge Counterparty, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates other than in the Offering Memorandum and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers, any Hedge Counterparty, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other Person or documentation for the Class E Notes) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of the Class E Notes or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the documentation for the Class E Notes) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers, any Hedge Counterparty, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Class E Notes reflect those in relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) the

purchaser is purchasing the Class E Notes with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (vii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

(6) (A) The purchaser is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer (or, solely in the case of certain purchasers purchasing Class E Notes on the Closing Date, an Institutional Accredited Investor) and (b) a Qualified Purchaser, (B) the purchaser is acquiring the Class E Notes as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (C) the purchaser was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Class E Notes (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser is a Qualified Purchaser), (D) to the extent the purchaser is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, the purchaser has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (E) the purchaser is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (F) the purchaser is not a pension, profit-sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants or affiliates may designate the particular investment to be made, (G) the purchaser agrees that it shall not hold such Class E Notes for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Class E Notes or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or other distributions on the Class E Notes (except when each such other Person is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (b) a Qualified Purchaser) and (H) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Class E Notes to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(7) The purchaser understands that the Class E Notes (A) will be represented by either one or more Class E Note certificates which will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Issuer determines otherwise in accordance with applicable law, and (B) may only be resold, pledged or transferred to Qualified Institutional Buyers who are also Qualified Purchasers. The purchaser understands that before the Class E Notes may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred, the transferee will be required to provide the Trustee and the Issuer with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “**SECURITIES ACT**”), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**”). THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER (“**QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT (OR, SOLELY IN THE CASE OF CERTAIN PURCHASERS PURCHASING THE NOTES ON THE CLOSING DATE, AN INSTITUTIONAL INVESTOR AS DEFINED IN CLAUSES (1), (2), (3) OR (7) OF RULE 501(a) UNDER REGULATION D OF THE SECURITIES ACT) PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT (IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE NOTES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A) WHO IS ALSO A QUALIFIED PURCHASER (“**QUALIFIED PURCHASER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER) AND THAT (1) HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (2) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS AND (3) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE

PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE, (B) IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT LESS THAN U.S.\$250,000 FOR THE PURCHASER AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY BE PURCHASED BY OR TRANSFERRED TO A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR CONTROLLING PERSON (EACH AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE) ONLY UPON THE SATISFACTION OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID *AB INITIO*, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL ANY NOTES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS OR NON-PERMITTED BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS (AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE INDENTURE.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER AND ANY PAYING AGENT, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE SERVICER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A “UNITED STATES PERSON” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A “UNITED STATES PERSON” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY.

THE NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY NOT BE ACQUIRED OR HELD BY (I) ANY “EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(3) OF THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED (“**ERISA**”), THAT IS SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA, (II) ANY “PLAN” DESCRIBED BY SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE “CODE”), THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, OR (III) ANY ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE “PLAN ASSETS” OF ANY PLAN DESCRIBED IN (I) OR (II) BY REASON OF A PLAN’S INVESTMENT IN SUCH ENTITY (EACH OF (I), (II) AND (III), A “BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR”), EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE.

EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE INDENTURE.

(8) The purchaser will provide notice to each Person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Class E Notes of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Indenture, including the exhibits referenced in the Indenture.

(9) The purchaser understands that the Indenture permits the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Class E Notes who is determined not to have been (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer (with the exception of a purchaser purchasing Class E Notes on the Closing Date that is an Institutional Accredited Investor) and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, at the time of acquisition of the Class E Notes to sell such Class E Notes, or to sell such Class E Notes on behalf of such purchaser, to a Person that is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act.

(10) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Class E Notes. The purchaser further acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Securities in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the offering memorandum relating to the Class E Notes shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Class E Notes in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

(11) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Class E Notes, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase Class E Notes from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell such Class E Notes to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(12) The purchaser understands that the Stated Maturity of the Class E Notes is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

(13) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Class E Notes by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

(14) The beneficial owner will agree to treat, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, (a) the Preference Shares as equity of the Issuer, (b) the Notes as indebtedness of the Issuer and (c) the Issuer as a corporation. The beneficial owner will be deemed to have acknowledged that the Issuer is not authorized to engage in activities that could cause it to constitute a finance or lending business for U.S. federal income tax purposes and agrees that it will report its investment in the Notes consistent with such limitation.

(15) The beneficial owner, if not a U.S. Person, either (i) is not a bank (within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code (as defined below in paragraph 23)) or (ii) is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States. The beneficial owner is not purchasing the Class E Notes in order to reduce its United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan.

(16) To the extent required, as determined by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Trustee and the Indenture Registrar, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Class E Notes to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the U.S. Patriot Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Class E Note to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

(17) The purchaser agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

(18) The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

(19) The beneficial owner will agree to treat the Class E Notes as unconditional debt of the Issuer for tax, accounting and financial reporting purposes.

(20) The purchaser understands that, prior to any sale or other transfer of any interest in Class E Notes, it (or the transferee, as applicable) will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Trustee a duly executed transfer certificate substantially in the form provided in the Indenture and such other certificates and other information as they may reasonably require to confirm that the proposed transfer complies with the restrictions in the legend placed on each certificate representing the Class E Notes and in the Indenture.

(21) The purchaser understands that, to the extent required, as determined by the Co-Issuers, the Co-Issuers may amend the Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer only, the Preference Share Documents, without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders of the Securities that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7 if, at any time following the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers elect to rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7).

(22) The purchaser understands that the Issuer may enter into amendments or modifications to the Servicing Agreement without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities.

(23) The purchaser understands and agrees that no purchase or transfer of the Class E Notes (i) to a purchaser or transferee that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor (as defined in Section 3(42) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”), or a Controlling Person (as defined under the Indenture) will be effective, and the Issuer or the Indenture Registrar will not recognize or register such purchase or transfer, if such purchase or transfer would result in Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of Class E Notes (determined pursuant to Section 3(42) of ERISA, 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 and the Indenture) or (ii) will be permitted if such purchase or transfer will result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”), (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law). The purchaser or transferee further understands and agrees that any transfer in violation of the applicable provisions of the Indenture will be null and void *ab initio*. For purposes of the determination described in the first sentence of this paragraph (23), the Class E Notes held by the Trustee, the Servicer, any of their respective affiliates (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) and any other persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding unless such person is also a Benefit Plan Investor. The purchaser’s acquisition, holding and disposition of the Class E Notes will not result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law), because such purchase, holding and disposition either (a) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (b) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all conditions of which are and will be been satisfied throughout its holding and disposition of such Class E Notes. The purchaser and any fiduciary or other Person causing it to acquire the Class E Notes agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage, or loss incurred by them as a result of a breach of the representations set forth in this paragraph (23) and paragraph (24). If the purchaser is an insurance company investing through its general account as defined in PTCE 95-60, for so long as it holds the Class E Notes, such purchaser represents that the percentage of the assets of such insurance company general account

that may be treated as “plan assets” under ERISA and the Code will always remain below 25% (as determined pursuant to ERISA and the Code).

(24) (a) The funds that the purchaser is using or will use to purchase the Class E Notes are \_\_\_ / are not \_\_\_ (check one) assets of a person who is or at any time while the Class E Notes are held by the purchaser will be (A) an “employee benefit plan” as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA, that is subject to Title I of ERISA, (B) a “plan” described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code or (C) an entity whose underlying assets include “plan assets” of either of the foregoing by reason of the investment by an employee benefit plan or other plan in the entity within the meaning of the Plan Asset Regulation, as modified by Section 3(42) of ERISA (the plans and persons described in clauses (A), (B) and (C) being referred to as “**Benefit Plan Investors**”). If the purchaser is a Benefit Plan Investor that is an entity (other than an insurance company general account) whose underlying assets include “plan assets” by reason of an employee benefit plan’s or other plan’s investment in the entity, for so long as it holds the Class E Notes, such purchaser represents that the percentage of its assets that may be treated as “plan assets” under ERISA and the Code will never exceed \_\_\_% (as determined pursuant to ERISA and the Code).

(b) The purchaser is \_\_\_ / is not \_\_\_ (check one) the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or any other person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer, or any “affiliate” (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) of any such person (any such person, a “**Controlling Person**”).

(25) The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Class E Notes are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee and the Initial Purchasers.

### **Transfer Restrictions Applicable to Preference Shares**

Each initial purchaser of Preference Shares acquiring such Preference Shares from the Issuer in the initial offering will be required to enter into a Subscription Agreement with the Issuer pursuant to which each such initial purchaser will be required to represent and agree (and each subsequent transferee will be required to represent and agree), on its own behalf as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Rule 144A are used herein as defined therein):

(1) The purchaser is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and is aware that the sale of Preference Shares to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements provided by Section 4(2) and is acquiring the Preference Shares for its own account (and not for the account of any family or other trust, any family member or any other person). In addition, the purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in Preference Shares, and the purchaser is able to bear the economic risk of its investment.

(2) The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Preference Shares have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Preference Shares, such Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the legend in respect of such Preference Shares set forth in (7) below and the restrictions set forth in the Preference Share Documents. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Issuer, the Servicer or the Initial Purchasers

or any of their respective Affiliates as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Preference Shares.

(3) The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Preference Shares or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Preference Share Documents, to which provisions the purchaser agrees it is subject.

(4) The purchaser is not purchasing the Preference Shares with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares will be highly illiquid and are not suitable for short-term trading. The Preference Shares are a leveraged investment in the Collateral Obligations that may expose the Preference Shares to disproportionately large changes in value. Payments in respect of the Preference Shares are not guaranteed as they are dependent on the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations. The purchaser understands that it is possible that, due to the structure of the transaction and the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations, dividends or other distributions in respect of the Preference Shares may be reduced or eliminated entirely. Furthermore, the Preference Shares constitute equity in the Issuer, are not secured by the Collateral and will rank behind all creditors (secured and unsecured and whether known or unknown) of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the Holders of the Notes, and any Hedge Counterparties. The Issuer has assets limited to the Collateral for payment of all Classes of the Notes and dividends and other distributions on the Preference Shares, and the Preference Shares bear, *pro rata*, the first risk of loss. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Preference Shares involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of all or a substantial part of its investment. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Issuer, the Preference Shares and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Preference Shares, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Issuer and the Initial Purchasers.

(5) In connection with the purchase of Preference Shares (*provided* that no such representation is made with respect to the Servicer by any Affiliate of or account serviced by the Servicer): (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for the purchaser; (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates other than in the Offering Memorandum for such Preference Shares and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other Person or documentation for the Preference Shares) any assurance, guarantee, or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance result, effect, consequence, or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting, or otherwise) of the Preference Shares or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the documentation for the Preference Shares) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or



any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Preference Shares reflect those in relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) the purchaser is purchasing the Preference Shares with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (vii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

(6) (A) The purchaser is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (b) a Qualified Purchaser, (B) the purchaser is acquiring the Preference Shares as principal for its own account for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (C) the purchaser was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Preference Shares (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser is a Qualified Purchaser), (D) to the extent the purchaser is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, the purchaser has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (E) the purchaser is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (F) the purchaser is not a pension, profit-sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants or affiliates may designate the particular investment to be made, (G) the purchaser agrees that it shall not hold such Preference Shares for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Preference Shares or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or other distributions on the Preference Shares (except when each such other Person is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (b) a Qualified Purchaser) and (H) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Preference Shares to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph shall be null and void *ab initio*.

(7) The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares (A) will be represented by either one or more Preference Share certificates which will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Issuer determines otherwise in accordance with applicable law, and (B) may only be resold, pledged or transferred to Qualified Institutional Buyers who are also Qualified Purchasers. The purchaser understands that before the Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred, the transferee will be required to provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Issuer with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “**SECURITIES ACT**”), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**”). THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER (“**QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT (IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE PREFERENCE SHARES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A) WHO IS ALSO A QUALIFIED PURCHASER (“**QUALIFIED PURCHASER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER) AND THAT (1) HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (2) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS AND (3) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH

THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE, (B) IN EACH CASE, IN A NUMBER OF NOT LESS THAN 100 PREFERENCE SHARES FOR THE PURCHASER AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY BE PURCHASED BY OR TRANSFERRED TO A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR CONTROLLING PERSON (EACH AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) ONLY UPON THE SATISFACTION OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID *AB INITIO*, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE TRANSFEREE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL ANY PREFERENCE SHARES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS OR NON-PERMITTED BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS (AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER AND ANY PAYING AGENT, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE SERVICER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A “UNITED STATES PERSON” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A “UNITED STATES PERSON” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY.

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY NOT BE ACQUIRED OR HELD BY (I) ANY “EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN” WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(3) OF THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED (“**ERISA**”), THAT IS SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA, (II) ANY “PLAN” DESCRIBED BY SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE “CODE”), THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, OR (III) ANY ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE “PLAN ASSETS” OF ANY PLAN DESCRIBED IN (I) OR (II) BY REASON OF A PLAN’S INVESTMENT IN SUCH ENTITY (EACH OF (I), (II) AND (III), A “BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR”), EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

(8) The purchaser will provide notice to each Person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Preference Shares of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Preference Share Documents, including the exhibits referenced in the Preference Share Documents.

(9) The purchaser understands that the Preference Share Documents permit the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Preference Shares who is determined not to have been (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, at the time of acquisition of the

Preference Shares to sell such Preference Shares, or to sell such Preference Shares on behalf of such purchaser, to a Person that is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser, in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act.

(10) The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Preference Shares. The purchaser further acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Securities in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the offering memorandum relating to the Preference Shares shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Preference Shares in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

(11) The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Preference Shares, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase Preference Shares from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell such Preference Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

(12) The purchaser understands that the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date of the Preference Shares is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of Securities at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

(13) The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Preference Shares by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

(14) The beneficial owner will agree to treat, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, (a) the Preference Shares as equity of the Issuer, (b) the Notes as indebtedness of the Issuer and (c) the Issuer as a corporation. The beneficial owner will be deemed to have acknowledged that the Issuer is not authorized to engage in activities that could cause it to constitute a finance or lending business for U.S. federal income tax purposes and agrees that it will report its investment in Preference Shares consistent with such limitation.

(15) The beneficial owner, if not a U.S. Person, either (i) is not a bank (within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code (as defined below in paragraph 23)) or (ii) is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States. The beneficial owner is not purchasing the Preference Shares in order to reduce its United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan.

(16) To the extent required, as determined by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Preference Shares to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the U.S. Patriot Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Preference Share to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

(17) The purchaser agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

(18) The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

(19) The purchaser understands that, prior to any sale or other transfer of any interest in Preference Shares, it (or the transferee, as applicable) will be required to provide to the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent a duly executed transfer certificate substantially in the form provided in the Preference Share Documents and such other certificates and other information as they may reasonably require to confirm that the proposed transfer complies with the restrictions in the legend placed on each certificate representing the Preference Shares and in the Preference Share Documents.

(20) The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer has the right pursuant to Section 6 of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement to issue additional Preference Shares.

(21) The purchaser understands that, to the extent required, as determined by the Co-Issuers, the Co-Issuers may amend the Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer only, the Preference Share Documents without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders of the Securities that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7 if, at any time following the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers elect to rely on exclusion from the definition of “investment company” under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7).

(22) The purchaser understands that the Issuer may enter into amendments or modifications to the Servicing Agreement without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities.

(23) The purchaser understands and agrees that no purchase or transfer of the Preference Shares to (i) a purchaser or transferee that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor (as defined in Section 3(42) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”), or a Controlling Person (as defined under the Indenture) will be effective, and the Issuer or the Share Registrar will not recognize or register such purchase or transfer, if such purchase or transfer would result in Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of Class I Preference Shares or Class II Preference Shares (determined pursuant to Section 3(42) of ERISA, 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents) or (ii) will be permitted if such purchase or transfer will result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”) (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law). The purchaser or transferee further understands and agrees that any transfer in violation of the applicable provisions of the Preference Share Documents will be null and void *ab initio*. For purposes of the determination described in the first sentence of this paragraph (23), the Preference Shares held by the Trustee, the Servicer, any of their respective affiliates (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) and any other persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding unless such person is also a Benefit Plan Investor. The purchaser’s acquisition, holding and disposition of the Preference Shares will not result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any violation of substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law), because such purchase, holding and disposition either (a) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (b) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all conditions of which are and will be been satisfied

throughout its holding and disposition of such Preference Shares. The purchaser and any fiduciary or Person causing it to acquire the Preference Shares agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage, or loss incurred by them as a result of a breach of the representations set forth in this paragraph (23) and paragraph (24). If the purchaser is an insurance company investing through its general account as defined in PTCE 95-60, for so long as it holds the Preference Shares, such purchaser represents that the percentage of assets of such insurance company general account that may be treated as “plan assets” under ERISA and the Code will always remain below 25% (as determined pursuant to ERISA and the Code).

(24) (a) The funds that the purchaser is using or will use to purchase the Preference Shares are \_\_\_ / are not \_\_\_ (check one) assets of a person who is or at any time while the Preference Shares are held by the purchaser will be (A) an “employee benefit plan” as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA, that is subject to Title I of ERISA, (B) a “plan” described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code or (C) an entity whose underlying assets include “plan assets” of either of the foregoing by reason of the investment by an employee benefit plan or other plan in the entity within the meaning of the Plan Asset Regulation, as modified by Section 3(42) of ERISA. If the purchaser is a Benefit Plan Investor that is an entity (other than an insurance company general account) whose underlying assets include “plan assets” by reason of an employee benefit plan’s or other plan’s investment in the entity, for so long as it holds the Preference Shares, such purchaser represents that the percentage of its assets that may be treated as “plan assets” under ERISA and the Code will never exceed \_\_\_% (as determined pursuant to ERISA and the Code).

(b) The purchaser is \_\_\_ / is not \_\_\_ (check one) the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or any other person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer, or any “affiliate” (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) of any such person.

(25) The purchaser is \_\_\_ / is not \_\_\_ (check one) Highland Financial Partners, L.P. or any of its subsidiaries.

(26) The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer, the Servicer, , the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Preference Shares are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee and the Initial Purchasers.

## **LISTING AND GENERAL INFORMATION**

1. The Issuer and the Co-Issuer accept responsibility for the information contained in this document. To the best knowledge and belief of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, the information contained in this document is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

2. Application will be made to list the Senior Notes on the ISE. However, there can be no assurance that any admission will be granted or maintained. In connection with the listing of the Senior Notes on the ISE, this Offering Memorandum will be filed with the Registrar of Companies of Ireland, pursuant to the ISE Listing Rules and the IFSRA Rules. Prior to the listing, a legal notice relating to the issue of the Senior Notes and copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer will be deposited with AIB International Financial Services Ltd. and at the principal office of the Issuer, where copies thereof may be obtained, free of charge, upon request.

3. As long as any of the Senior Notes are Outstanding and listed on the ISE, copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer, the Administration Agreement, the Resolutions, the resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer authorizing the issuance of the Senior Notes, the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, any Hedge Agreement and the Monthly Report will be available for inspection at the offices of the Co-Issuers and the Irish Paying Agent in the City of Dublin, where copies thereof may be obtained upon request in printed form.

4. Copies of the Issuer Charter and the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws of the Co-Issuer, the Administration Agreement, the Resolutions, the resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer authorizing the issuance of the Senior Notes, the Indenture, the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, any Hedge Agreement and the Monthly Report prepared by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer containing information relating to the Collateral will be available for inspection so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding at the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee.

6. Each of the Co-Issuers represents that as of the date of this Offering Memorandum, there has been no material adverse change in its financial position since its date of incorporation. Since its date of incorporation, neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer has commenced operations, other than the Issuer purchasing certain Collateral Obligations and selling participation interests therein pursuant to a master participation agreement preparatory to the offering of the Securities, and no annual reports or accounts have been prepared as of the date of this Offering Memorandum.

7. The Co-Issuers are not involved in any litigation or arbitration proceedings (including any such proceedings which are pending or threatened of which the Co-Issuers are aware) which may have or have had within the last twelve (12) months a significant effect on the financial position of the Co-Issuers.

8. The issuance of the Securities was authorized and approved by the Board of Directors of the Issuer by the Resolutions. The issuance of the Senior Notes was authorized and approved by the Board of Directors of the Co-Issuer by resolutions passed on or before the Closing Date.

9. Since the date of their incorporation, no financial statements of the Co-Issuers have been prepared. The Issuer is not required by Cayman Islands law to publish financial statements, and does not intend to publish any financial statements. The Issuer is required to provide written confirmation to the Trustee, on an annual basis, that no Event of Default or other matter that is required to be brought to the Trustee's attention has occurred.

### **IDENTIFYING NUMBERS**

The Senior Notes sold in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S and represented by Regulation S Global Notes have been accepted for clearance under the Common Codes in the table below. The table also lists the CUSIP Numbers and the International Securities Identification Numbers (ISIN).

Security	CUSIP	Common Code	ISIN
<b>Class A-1-A Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	95736X AA6	30310004	US95736XAA63
Regulation S Global Notes	G9550V AA7	30310373	USG9550VAA73
<b>Class A-1-B Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	95736X AB4	30310063	US95736XAB47
Regulation S Global Notes	G9550V AB5	30310390	USG9550VAB56
<b>Class B Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	95736X AD0	30310101	US95736XAD03
Regulation S Global Notes	G9550V AD1	30310446	USG9550VAD13
<b>Class C Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	95736X AE8	30310144	US95736XAE85
Regulation S Global Notes	G9550V AE9	30310560	USG9550VAE95
<b>Class D Notes</b>			
Rule 144A Global Notes	95736X AF5	30310187	US95736XAF50
Regulation S Global Notes	G9550V AF6	30310594	USG9550VAF60
<b>Class E Notes</b>			
Certificated Class E Notes	95736X AG3	30310225	US95736XAG34
<b>Class I Preference Shares</b>			
Certificated Preference Shares	95736T 206	30310837	US95736T2069
<b>Class II Preference Shares</b>			
Certificated Preference Shares	95736T 305	30310853	US95736T3059

## LEGAL MATTERS

Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchasers by Latham & Watkins LLP, New York, New York. Certain matters with respect to Cayman Islands corporate law and tax law will be passed upon for the Issuer by Maples and Calder, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Servicer by Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, Los Angeles, California.

## GLOSSARY OF DEFINED TERMS

**“Accrued Interest On Sale”** means interest accrued on a Collateral Obligation at the time of sale or other disposition to the extent paid to the Issuer as part of the sale or other disposition price of the Collateral Obligation after deduction of any amount representing Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal”** means (i) interest accrued on or purchased with a Collateral Obligation as part of the price paid by the Issuer to acquire the Collateral Obligation less any amount of Interest Proceeds (applied as Interest Proceeds) applied by the Issuer to acquire the accrued interest at the time of purchase and (ii) interest accrued on a Loan that constitutes part of the price paid by the Issuer to repay loans made by the Pre-Closing Parties to finance the Issuer’s pre-closing acquisition of such Loan.

**“Act”** means any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action to be given or taken by Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares under the Indenture embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments (which may be an electronic document, including, but not limited to, in the form of e-mail, to the extent permitted by applicable law) of substantially similar tenor signed by Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares in person or by agents duly appointed in writing (*provided* that no signature shall be required on electronic documents, including, but not limited to, in the form of e-mail to the extent permitted by law). Except as otherwise expressly provided in the Indenture the action shall become effective when the instruments are delivered to the Trustee (which instrument or instruments may be delivered through the Preference Shares Paying Agent, in the case of the Holders of the Preference Shares) and, if expressly required, to the Issuer. The instruments (and the action embodied in them) are referred to as the **“Act”** of the Noteholders or Holders of Preference Shares signing the instruments.

**“Administrative Expense Cap”** means, an amount on any Payment Date equal to the excess of:

(i) the sum of 0.04% of the Maximum Amount on the related Determination Date plus \$150,000; *over*

(ii) the sum of the amounts paid for Administrative Expenses in the twelve months preceding the current Payment Date.

**“Administrative Expenses”** means amounts due or accrued representing:

(i) tax preparation, filing, and registration fees or expenses and any other filing and registration fees owed by the Co-Issuers (including all filing, registration and annual return fees payable to the Cayman Islands government and registered office fees);

(ii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Trustee (including all amounts under Section 6.8 of the Indenture), the Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Collateral Administrator;

(iii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Co-Issuers and of accountants, agents and counsel for either of the Co-Issuers;

(iv) fees and expenses of the Rating Agencies in connection with any rating of the Collateral (requested by the Issuer or the Servicer) or the Notes owed by either Co-Issuer (including fees and expenses for ongoing surveillance, credit estimates and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies);

(v) expenses and indemnities (but not Servicing Fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;



(vi) fees, indemnities and expenses for third-party loan pricing services and accountants; and

(vii) amounts due (other than indemnities) to any other Person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for in the Indenture, including fees or expenses in connection with any Securities Lending Agreement.

**“Affected Class”:** Any Class of Notes that, as a result of the occurrence of a Tax Event, has received or will receive less than the aggregate amount of principal and interest that would otherwise have been payable to such Class on the Distribution Date related to the Due Period with respect to which such Tax Event occurs.

**“Affiliate” or “Affiliated”** means with respect to a Person,

(i) any other Person who, directly or indirectly, is in control of, or controlled by, or is under common control with, the Person; or

(ii) any other Person who is a director, officer or employee (A) of the Person, (B) of any subsidiary or parent company of the Person or (C) of any Person described in clause (i) above.

For the purposes of this definition, control of a Person shall mean the power, direct or indirect:

(A) to vote more than 50% of the securities having ordinary voting power for the election of directors of the Person; or

(B) to direct the corporate management and corporate policies of the Person whether by contract or otherwise (this does not include the Servicing Agreement unless it is amended expressly to provide those services).

For the purpose of this definition, the Administrator and its Affiliates are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Co-Issuers and the Co-Issuers are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Administrator, or any of their Affiliates.

**“Aggregate Outstanding Amount”** means, when used with respect to any of the Notes as of any date, the aggregate principal amount of such Notes on that date. When used with respect to the Preference Shares as of any date, means the number of such Preference Shares Outstanding on such date.

Except as otherwise provided herein:

(i) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1-A Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1-B Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(iii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(iv) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes at any time shall include all Class C Deferred Interest attributed thereto;

(v) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes at any time shall include all Class D Deferred Interest attributed thereto; and

(vi) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class E Notes at any time shall include all Class E Deferred Interest attributed thereto.

**“Aggregate Principal Balance”** means, when used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Principal Balances of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Principal Balance means the sum of the Principal Balances of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**“Aggregate Purchase Price Amount”** means, when used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Purchase Price Amount means the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**“Allocable Principal Balance”** means, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, the portion of the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security that is allocable to each Reference Obligation comprising such index or indices based upon allocating the Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security among such Reference Obligations in the same proportion as each Reference Obligation bears to the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security.

**“Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price”** means, the purchase price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Securities purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the date of purchase payable to the Non-Consenting Holder (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), plus any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment, plus in the case of any Notes held or, with respect to any Notes representing Global Notes, beneficially owned, by the CDS/TRS Purchaser, the applicable CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount, if any, and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since the Closing Date (and any amounts payable, if any, to the Non-Consenting Holder on the next succeeding Payment Date) would cause such Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); *provided, however*, that in any Amendment Buy-Out from and after the date on which the Non-Consenting Holders of Preference Shares have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price for such Preference Shares shall be zero.

**“Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser”** means the Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Securities from Holders pursuant to “Description of the Securities—Amendment Buy-Out,” “Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser” shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchasers or any of their Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; *provided, however*, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

**“Applicable Discount Rate”** means, for purposes of determining the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount with respect to the CDS/TRS Purchaser in connection with an Amendment Buy-Out, USD-LIBOR-BBA, as defined in the Annex to the 2000 ISDA Definitions as determined by the CDS/TRS Purchaser on the Business Day preceding the date of purchase of the applicable Notes from the CDS/TRS Purchaser in connection with such Amendment Buy-Out.

**“Applicable Note Interest Rate”** means, with respect to the Notes of any Class, the Note Interest Rate with respect to such Class.

**“Applicable Percentage”** means the lesser of the Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation and the S&P Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation and the current S&P Rating of the Class A Notes.

**“Approved Pricing Service”** means Loan Pricing Corporation, Mark-It-Partners, Inc. or any other nationally recognized loan pricing service approved in writing by S&P.

**“Ask-Side Market Value”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any lent Collateral Obligation based upon the Servicer’s commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations which are also Independent from the Servicer or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices could not be obtained, the higher of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations which are also Independent from the Servicer or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices could not be obtained, the average of the ask-side prices for the purchase of such Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer); *provided* that if the Ask-Side Market Value of any lent Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the outstanding principal balance thereof.

**“Assigned Moody’s Rating”** means the monitored publicly available rating or the monitored estimated rating expressly assigned to a debt obligation (or facility) by Moody’s that addresses the full amount of the principal and interest promised.

**“Authorized Officer”** means, with respect to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, any Officer or agent who is authorized to act for the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in matters relating to, and binding on, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. With respect to the Servicer, any managing member, Officer, manager, employee, partner or agent of the Servicer who is authorized to act for the Servicer in matters relating to, and binding on, the Servicer with respect to the subject matter of the request, certificate or order in question. With respect to the Trustee or any other bank or trust company acting as trustee of an express trust or as custodian, a Trust Officer. Each party may receive and accept a certification of the authority of any other party as conclusive evidence of the authority of any Person to act, and the certification may be considered as in full force and effect until receipt by the other party of written notice to the contrary.

**“Average Life”** means, as of any Measurement Date with respect to any Collateral Obligation (other than any Defaulted Collateral Obligation), the quotient obtained by dividing:

- (i) the sum of the products of:
  - (A) the number of years (rounded to the nearest hundredth) from the Measurement Date to the respective dates of each successive scheduled payment of principal of the Collateral Obligation; and
  - (B) the respective amounts of the successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation; by
- (ii) the sum of all successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Bank”** means Investors Bank & Trust Company in its individual capacity and not as Trustee.

**“Bankruptcy Code”** means the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, Title 11 of the United States Code.

**“Bankruptcy Law”** means the Bankruptcy Code, Part V of the Companies Law (2004 Revision) of the Cayman Islands and the Bankruptcy Law (1997 Revision) of the Cayman Islands.

**“Board of Directors”** means with respect to the Issuer, the directors of the Issuer duly appointed by a resolution of the holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares or by resolution of the Board of Directors and, with respect to the Co-Issuer, the directors of the Co-Issuer duly appointed by the stockholders of the Co-Issuer; *provided, however*, that notwithstanding the foregoing, if the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding is greater than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding, the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares may remove any or all (but, so long as such directors are all associated with Maples Finance, not less than all) of the directors of the Issuer and appoint other directors (who may be employees, officers or designees of the Servicer) and thereafter (so long as the aggregate number of Class II Preference Shares Outstanding is greater than the aggregate number of Class I Preference Shares Outstanding) the power to appoint directors of the Issuer shall be exercised by a vote of the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares instead of by resolution of the holders of the Issuer Ordinary Shares.

**“Business Day”** means a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in New York City, and any other city in which the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee is located and, in the case of the final payment of principal of any Note, the place of presentation of the Note designated by the Trustee; *provided, however* that, for purposes of determining LIBOR, “Business Day” must also be a day on which dealings in deposits in Dollars are transacted in the London interbank market. To the extent action is required of the Irish Listing Agent and Irish Paying Agent, Dublin, Ireland shall be considered in determining “Business Day” for purposes of determining when actions by the Irish Paying Agent are required.

**“Caa1 Collateral Obligations”** means the Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have a Moody’s Rating below “B3.”

**“Cash”** means such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for payment of all public and private debts.

**“CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations”** means the Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have (i) a Moody’s Rating below “B3” and/or (ii) an S&P Rating below “B-.”

**“CCC+/Caa1 Excess Market Value Percentage”** means the percentage equivalent of a fraction, the numerator of which is the aggregate Market Value of CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations (in order of ascending Market Value Percentage, starting with the CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation with the lowest Market Value Percentage) with an aggregate Principal Balance equal to Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations and the denominator of which is an amount equal to the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations.

**“CDS/TRS Purchaser”** means Lehman Brothers Special Finance Inc. as a Holder or a beneficial owner of certain of the Notes at the Closing Date that has entered into either a credit default swap or a total return swap with respect to such Notes and has provided the Issuer and the Trustee with a written certification (which shall include wiring instructions for the CDS/TRS Purchaser) regarding its entry into such swap in a form reasonably acceptable to the Issuer (or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer).

**“CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount”** means, with respect to the CDS/TRS Purchaser in connection with an Amendment Buy-Out (i) on any Payment Date prior to the May 2011 Payment Date, an amount equal to the present value of the Fixed Amounts with respect to the CDS/TRS Purchaser and each Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period until the last Fixed Rate Calculation Period, discounting each Fixed Amount from the Payment Date following the end of each such Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period to the date of purchase of the applicable Notes at the Applicable Discount Rate, and (ii) on any Payment Date on and after the May 2011 Payment Date, zero; provided that, in the case of clause (i), the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount shall be calculated by the Servicer and subject to the approval of the CDS/TRS Purchaser.

“**Class**” means all of the Notes having the same priority and the same Stated Maturity and all of the Preference Shares.

“**Class A Allocation**” means, with respect to payments of principal of the Class A Notes, the application of proceeds sequentially, *first*, to the Class A-1-A Notes until the Class A-1-A have been fully redeemed, and, *second*, to the Class A-1-B Notes until the Class A-1-B Notes have been fully redeemed.

“**Class A/B Coverage Tests**” means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class A-1-A Notes, Class A-1-B Notes and Class B Notes.

“**Class C Coverage Tests**” means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class C Notes.

“**Class C Deferred Interest**” means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C Notes.

“**Class D Coverage Tests**” means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class D Notes.

“**Class D Deferred Interest**” means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class D Notes.

“**Class E Coverage Tests**” means the Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class E Notes.

“**Class E Deferred Interest**” means Deferred Interest with respect to the Class E Notes.

“**Class Scenario Loss Rate**” means, with respect to any Class of Notes rated by S&P, an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, consistent with S&P’s rating of the Class of Notes on the Closing Date, determined by application of the S&P CDO Monitor.

“**Clearstream**” means Clearstream Banking, société anonyme, a corporation organized under the laws of the Duchy of Luxembourg.

“**Collateral Administration Agreement**” means the agreement dated as of the Closing Date among the Issuer, the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

“**Collateral Administrator**” means the Bank in its capacity as collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement.

“**Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares**” means, with respect to any Payment Date, a Holder of Preference Shares that has consented by delivering an irrevocable written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent to a distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds on such Payment Date, as described in “Description of the Securities—Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.”

“**Controlling Class**” means the Class A-1-A Notes and the Class A-1-B Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class A-1-A Notes or Class A-1-B Notes are Outstanding; then the Class B Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class B Notes are Outstanding; then the Class C Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class C Notes are Outstanding; then the Class D Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class D Notes are Outstanding; and then the Class E Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class E Notes are Outstanding.

“**Corporate Trust Office**” means the corporate trust office of the Trustee at which the Trustee performs its duties under the Indenture, currently having an address of 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code: EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116 telecopy no. (617) 351-4358, Attention: CDO Services Group, or any other address the Trustee designates from time to time by notice to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Issuer and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Trustee.

“**Credit Improved Obligation**” is any Collateral Obligation that (a) is sold pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange or (b) in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has improved in credit quality; *provided* that, in forming such judgment, a reduction in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment; and *provided, further*, that, if a Credit Rating Event is in effect, such Collateral Obligation will be considered a Credit Improved Obligation only if in addition to the above:

(i) the Collateral Obligation has been upgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing positive credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under the Indenture;

(ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced a reduction in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Servicer (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody’s);

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has increased by at least 1.00% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Servicer (*provided* that this subclause (iii)(x) will be deemed satisfied if Market Value increases to 1.01%), or (y) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more positive than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, plus 3.00%, over the same period; or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody’s after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Improved Obligation if:

(i) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Improved Obligation; or

(ii) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Improved Obligation.

**“Credit Rating Event”** means an event that is in effect if the rating by Moody’s:

- (i) of the Class A-1-A Notes or the Class A-1-B Notes has been withdrawn or is one or more rating sub-categories below its Initial Rating; or
- (ii) of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes has been withdrawn or is two or more rating sub-categories below its respective Initial Rating.

For the purposes of this definition, any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not be effective if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody’s has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Class A-1-A Notes and the Class A-1-B Notes, or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**“Credit Risk Obligation”** means any Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has significantly declined in credit quality and has a significant risk, with a lapse of time, of becoming a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; *provided* that in forming such judgment an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment.

So long as a Credit Rating Event is in effect, no Collateral Obligation shall be eligible to be a Credit Risk Obligation unless in addition to the above, as of the date of determination:

- (i) the Collateral Obligation has been downgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing negative credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under the Indenture;
- (ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced an increase in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) less than or equal to 2.00% (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Servicer (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody’s);
- (iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has decreased by at least 2.50% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Servicer, and (y) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more negative, or less positive, as the case may be, than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, less 3.00%, over the same period; or
- (iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation set forth in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) above, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody’s after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Risk Obligation if:

- (a) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Risk Obligation; or

(b) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Risk Obligation.

**“Current-Pay Obligation”** means a Collateral Obligation as to which:

(i) an insolvency event has occurred with respect to its obligor or as to which its obligor is rated “D” or “SD” by S&P or its obligor has previously been rated “CCC-” by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;

(ii) no default as to the payment of principal or interest with respect to the Collateral Obligation is then continuing and the Servicer has delivered to the Trustee an officer’s certificate to the effect that the Servicer expects that the obligor will make payments on the Collateral Obligation as they become due;

(iii) (A) if the rating by Moody’s of the Collateral Obligation is at least “Caa1” (and not on credit watch with negative implications) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 80% of its Principal Balance or (B) if the rating by Moody’s of the Collateral Obligation is less than “Caa1” or is “Caa1” and on credit watch with negative implications, the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 85% of its Principal Balance;

(iv) if an insolvency event has occurred with respect to the obligor of the Collateral Obligation, a bankruptcy court has authorized all payments of principal and interest payable on the Collateral Obligation; and

(v) the Servicer has designated in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligation as a Current-Pay Obligation.

If the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations exceeds 5% of the Maximum Amount, all or a portion of one or more Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance equal to the amount of the excess shall not be Current-Pay Obligations (and will therefore be Defaulted Collateral Obligations). The Servicer shall designate in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligations that shall not be Current-Pay Obligations pursuant to the preceding sentence as the Collateral Obligations (or portions thereof) that have the lowest Market Value on any applicable date of determination.

The Servicer may, with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, by notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator, change the definition of “Current-Pay Obligation” or how Current-Pay Obligations are treated in the Indenture, subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency.

**“Current Portfolio”** means, at any time, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations, Principal Proceeds held as cash on deposit in the Collection Account, and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account that exists before the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or before the acquisition of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**“Deep Discount Obligation”** means, until the average Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation, as determined daily for any period of 30 consecutive days, equals or exceeds 90%, any Collateral Obligation acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 85% of its Principal Balance. For such purpose, the Market Value Percentage of a Collateral Obligation on a day that is not a Business Day shall be deemed to be the Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation on the immediately preceding Business Day.



**“Defaulted Collateral Obligation”** means any Collateral Obligation or other obligation included in the Collateral:

(i) as to which a default in the payment of principal or interest is continuing beyond the lesser of three Business Days and any applicable grace or notice period, unless in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;

(ii) the maturity of all or a portion of the principal amount of such Collateral Obligation has been accelerated as a consequence of a default (other than any payment default) under the instruments evidencing or relating to such Collateral Obligation; unless such default or event of default has been fully cured or waived and is no longer continuing and such acceleration has been rescinded;

(iii) with respect to which there has been effected any distressed exchange or other debt restructuring where the obligor has offered the holders thereof a new security or instrument or package of securities or instruments that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, either (x) amounts to a diminished financial obligation or (y) has the sole purpose of enabling the obligor to avoid a default;

(iv) (1) that is *pari passu* with or subordinated to other indebtedness for borrowed money owing by its obligor (**“Other Indebtedness”**), (2) the obligor has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (without regard to any applicable grace or notice period and without regard to any waiver of the default) on the Other Indebtedness, unless, in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid on the Other Indebtedness and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation and (3) the Servicer, *provided* that the related Collateral Obligation has not been downgraded after the default on such Other Indebtedness has occurred, determines (in its commercially reasonable judgment) that such Other Indebtedness is material;

(v) (other than a Current-Pay Obligation or a DIP Loan) as to which:

- (A) an insolvency event has occurred with respect to its obligor;
- (B) the obligation is rated “D”, “SD”, “C” or “CC” by S&P or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn, or has previously been rated “CCC-” or lower by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn; or
- (C) the obligation is rated “D” by Moody’s or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn.

(vi) if the Collateral Obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation, it is rated “CC” or below by S&P, or it was rated “CC” or below by S&P but the rating has since been withdrawn, or it is rated “Ca” or below by Moody’s, or it was rated “C” or below by Moody’s but the rating has since been withdrawn;

(vii) that is a Participation that would, if the underlying Loan were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (v) above or with respect to which the Participating Institution has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Participation;

(viii) that is a Synthetic Security referencing a Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above or with respect to which the Synthetic Security Counterparty has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Synthetic Security; *provided, however*, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time: (x) a determination whether the Reference Obligations upon which such Synthetic Security is based would, if such Reference Obligations were Collateral Obligations, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each of the Reference Obligations on which such Synthetic Security is based in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation and (y) the “Defaulted Collateral Obligation” for purposes of this clause (viii) shall be limited to the Allocable Principal Balance of each Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above;

(ix) that is a Written-Down Obligation;

(x) that is a DIP Loan as to which an order has been entered converting the debtor’s chapter 11 case to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code; or

(xi) that is declared to be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation by the Servicer.

Any Collateral Obligation that is classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall cease to be so classified if the Collateral Obligation, at any date thereafter,

(1) would not otherwise be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this definition; and

(2) otherwise meets the Eligibility Criteria as of that date.

If any portion of a Collateral Obligation has a maturity later than one year after the Stated Maturity of the Notes due to a change in the payment schedule of the Collateral Obligation occurring after its acquisition by the Issuer, that portion of the Collateral Obligation shall be considered a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**“Defaulted Hedge Termination Payment”** means any termination payment required to be made by the Issuer to a Hedge Counterparty pursuant to a Hedge Agreement upon a termination of the Hedge Agreement in respect of which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**“Defaulted Interest”** means any interest payable in respect of any Class of Notes that is not punctually paid or duly provided for on the applicable Payment Date or at Stated Maturity.

**“Defaulted Interest Charge”** means to the extent lawful, interest on any Defaulted Interest at the Default Interest Rate.

**“Default Interest Rate”** means, with respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate equal to the Note Interest Rate payable on the Notes of the Class.

**“Deferred Interest Notes”** means the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**“Definitive Security”** means any Note or Certificated Preference Share that is registered in the name of the beneficial owner.

“**Delayed Drawdown Loan**” means a Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that:

- (i) requires the Issuer to make one or more future advances to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments;
- (ii) specifies a maximum amount that can be borrowed on one or more fixed borrowing dates; and
- (iii) does not permit the re-borrowing of any amount previously repaid.

A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Delayed Drawdown Loan for so long as its unused commitment amount is greater than zero and for purposes of the Concentration Limitations only unfunded portions will count as Delayed Drawdown Loans.

“**Depository**” or “**DTC**” means The Depository Trust Company and its nominees.

“**DIP Loan**” means any Loan:

- (i) that has a rating assigned by Moody’s (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by Moody’s, the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by Moody’s within five Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer) and a rating assigned by S&P (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by S&P, the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P within two Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer);

- (ii) that is an obligation of a debtor in possession as described in Section 1107 of the Bankruptcy Code or a trustee (if appointment of a trustee has been ordered pursuant to Section 1104 of the Bankruptcy Code) (a “**Debtor**”) organized under the laws of the United States or any state of the United States; and

- (iii) the terms of which have been approved by a final order of the United States Bankruptcy Court, United States District Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, the enforceability of which order is not subject to any pending contested matter or proceeding (as those terms are defined in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure) and which order provides that:

- (A) the Loan is secured by liens on the Debtor’s otherwise unencumbered assets pursuant to Section 364(c)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code;

- (B) the Loan is secured by liens of equal or senior priority on property of the Debtor’s estate that is otherwise subject to a lien pursuant to Section 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code;

- (C) the Loan is fully secured (based on a current valuation or appraisal report) by junior liens on the Debtor’s encumbered assets; or

- (D) if any portion of the Loan is unsecured, the repayment of the Loan retains priority over all other administrative expenses pursuant to Section 364(c)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code (and in the case of this clause (D), before the acquisition of the Loan, the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency).

“**Diversity Score**” is a single number that indicates collateral concentration in terms of both issuer and industry concentration, calculated as set forth in Schedule 4 to the Indenture.

**“Domicile”** or **“Domiciled”** means, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, (i) the jurisdiction of incorporation, organization or creation of the related obligor or (ii) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that would otherwise be considered to be domiciled pursuant to clause (i) in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction, the jurisdiction in which, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the related obligor conducts substantially all of its business operations and in which the assets primarily responsible for generating its revenues are located.

**“Due Period”** means, with respect to any Payment Date, for all purposes other than payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements, the period from the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date, from the Closing Date) up to but excluding the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the Payment Date (or in the case of the final Payment Date or any Payment Date that is a Redemption Date, through the Business Day before the Payment Date and for payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements the period from the day after the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date from the Closing Date) through the Payment Date).

**“Eligible Country”** means the United States, Canada and any country classified by Moody’s as a Moody’s Group I Country, Moody’s Group II Country or Moody’s Group III Country and, in each case, has an S&P foreign currency rating of at least “AA” and a Moody’s foreign currency rating of at least “Aa2.”

**“Eligible Equity Security”** mean an equity security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation by, or on behalf of, the Issuer that (i) is publicly traded on an Established Securities Market or (ii) the Market Value of which is higher than the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation with respect to which such equity security has been acquired by the Issuer.

**“Eligible Investments”** means any Dollar-denominated obligation or asset that, when it is pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee under the Indenture, is one or more of the following:

- (i) Cash;
- (ii) direct Registered obligations of, and Registered obligations the timely payment of principal and interest on which is fully and expressly guaranteed by, the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States the obligations of which are expressly backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, which in each case are not zero coupon securities;
- (iii) demand and time deposits in, trust accounts, certificates of deposit payable within 91 days of issuance of, bankers’ acceptances payable within 91 days of issuance issued by, or Federal funds sold by any depository institution or trust company incorporated under the laws of the United States or any state thereof and subject to supervision and examination by Federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or the debt obligations of such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company), at the time of such acquisition or contractual commitment providing for such acquisition and throughout the term thereof, have a credit rating of not less than “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade, or “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by S&P in the case of commercial paper and short-term debt obligations; *provided* that in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than “AA-” by S&P and “Aa3” by Moody’s and a short-term rating of “A-1+” by S&P and “P-1” by Moody’s, and if so rated, is not on watch for downgrade;
- (iv) commercial paper or other short-term obligations with a maturity of not more than 183 days from the date of issuance and having at the time of such acquisition a credit rating of at least “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by S&P; *provided* that, in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than “Aa2” by Moody’s and “AA-” by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(v) unleveraged repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clause (b) above entered into with a U.S. federal or state depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (iii) above or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose long-term credit rating is not less than “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade or whose short-term credit rating is “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1+” by S&P at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof; *provided* that, if such repurchase obligation has a maturity of longer than 91 days, the counterparty thereto must also have at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof a long-term credit rating of not less than “Aa2” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(vi) any money market fund or similar vehicle having at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof a credit rating of “MR1+” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P; including any fund for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee serves as an investment adviser, administrator, shareholder servicing agent, custodian or subcustodian, notwithstanding that (A) the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses from such funds for services rendered (*provided* that such charges, fees and expenses are on terms consistent with terms negotiated at arm’s length) and (B) the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses for services rendered, pursuant to the Indenture;

(vii) a guaranteed reinvestment agreement from a bank (if treated as a deposit by such bank), insurance company or other corporation or entity organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (if treated as debt by such insurance company or other corporation or entity), providing for periodic payments thereunder during each Due Period; *provided* that each such agreement provides that it is terminable by the purchaser, without premium or penalty, in the event that the rating assigned to such agreement by either Moody’s or S&P is at any time lower than the then current ratings assigned to the Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes; *provided, further*, that, at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof, the issuer of such agreement has a senior unsecured long-term debt rating, issuer rating or counterparty rating of at least “Aaa” by Moody’s, a short-term debt rating of “P-1” by Moody’s (and not on watch for downgrade), a short-term debt rating of at least “A-1+” by S&P and a long-term debt rating of at least “AAA” by S&P (and not on watch for downgrade); and

(viii) such other obligations or assets for which Rating Confirmation has been received;

and, in each case, with a stated maturity (giving effect to any applicable grace period) no later than the Business Day before the Payment Date next succeeding the date of acquisition.

Eligible Investments on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account must have a stated maturity no later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase.

Eligible Investments may not include:

(1) any interest-only security, any security purchased at a price in excess of 100% of its par value, any mortgage-backed security or any security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer;

(2) any security whose rating assigned by S&P includes the subscript “r,” “t,” “p,” “pi,” or “q”;

(3) any floating rate security whose interest rate is inversely or otherwise not proportionately related to an interest rate index or is calculated as other than the sum of an interest rate index plus a spread (which spread may be zero);

(4) any security that is subject to an exchange or tender offer; or

(5) any security that has payments subject to foreign or United States withholding tax.

Eligible Investments may include Eligible Investments for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee is the issuer or depository institution or provides services. Eligible Investments may not include obligations principally secured by real property.

**“Emerging Market Security”** means a security or obligation issued by a sovereign or non-sovereign issuer located in a country (excluding the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Netherlands Antilles, and the Channel Islands):

(i) that is in Latin America, Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, or the Caribbean; or

(ii) the long-term foreign currency debt obligations of which are rated below “Aa2” or “Aa2” and on credit watch with negative implications by Moody’s or the foreign currency issuer credit rating of which is below “AA” by S&P.

**“Euroclear”** means Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear system.

**“Excel Default Model Input File”** means an electronic spreadsheet file in Microsoft excel format to be provided to S&P, which file shall include the balance of Cash and Eligible Investments in each account and the following information (to the extent such information is not confidential) with respect to each Collateral Obligation:

(a) the name and country of domicile of the issuer thereof and the particular obligation or security held by the Issuer,

(b) the CUSIP or other applicable identification number associated with such Collateral Obligation,

(c) the par value of such Collateral Obligation,

(d) the type of obligation or security (including, by way of example, whether such Collateral Obligation is a bond, loan or asset-backed security), using such abbreviations as may be selected by the Trustee,

(e) a description of the index or other applicable benchmark upon which the interest payable on such Collateral Obligation is based (including, by way of example, fixed rate, step-up rate, zero coupon and LIBOR),

(f) the coupon (in the case of a Collateral Obligation which bears interest at a fixed rate) or the spread over the applicable index (in the case of a Collateral Obligation which bears interest at a floating rate),

(g) the S&P Industry Classification for such Collateral Obligation,

(h) the stated maturity date of such Collateral Obligation,

(i) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation or the issuer thereof, as applicable,

- (j) the applicable S&P Recovery Rate, and
- (k) such other information as the Trustee may determine to include in such file.

**“Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations”** means the Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations in excess of 7.5% of the Maximum Amount on the relevant Determination Date.

**“Excluded Property”** means (i) U.S.\$1,000 (attributable to the issue and allotment of the Issuer Ordinary Shares) and a U.S.\$1,000 transaction fee paid to the Issuer, the bank account in which those amounts are credited in the Cayman Islands and any interest earned on those amounts; (ii) any amounts credited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account and the Preference Share Distribution Account from time to time and (iii) any Margin Stock.

**“Extension”** means an extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test in accordance with the Indenture.

**“Extension Bonus Payment”** means, with respect to each Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable beneficial owner set forth in “Description of the Securities—Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date” in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Class A-1-A Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class A-1-B Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (3) in the case of the Class B Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (4) in the case of the Class C Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (5) in the case of the Class D Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date and (6) in the case of the Class E Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

**“Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification”** means, with respect to each Maturity Extension and each beneficial owner of Notes other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such beneficial owner acceptable to the Issuer to the effect that it held Notes other than Extension Sale Securities on the applicable Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof in the case of the Notes and wire transfer instructions for the Extension Bonus Payment and any required documentation thereunder.

**“Extension Determination Date”** means the 8<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to each Extension Effective Date.

**“Extension Purchase Price”** means the purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with each Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the applicable Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since the Closing Date would cause such Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a “Payment Date” under the Indenture); *provided, however*, that if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0% the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Preference Shares shall be zero.

**“Extension Qualifying Purchasers”** means the Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); *provided* that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Extension Sale Securities from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in “Description of the Securities—

Extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity and the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date;” “Extension Qualifying Purchasers” shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchasers or any of their Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; *provided however*, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

“**Face Amount**” means, with respect to any Preference Share, the amount set forth therein as the “face amount” thereof, which “face amount” shall be \$1,000 per Preference Share.

“**Finance Lease**” means a lease agreement or other agreement entered into in connection with and evidencing a Leasing Finance Transaction.

“**Fixed Amount**” means, with respect to the CDS/TRS Purchaser and each applicable Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period, the product of (i) the applicable Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Amount with respect to the CDS/TRS Purchaser, (ii) the applicable Fixed Rate with respect to the CDS/TRS Purchaser and (iii) a fraction the numerator of which is the actual number of days in such Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period and the denominator of which is 360.

“**Fixed Rate**” means, with respect to the CDS/TRS Purchaser, the spread over LIBOR of the applicable Note Interest Rate for the Class of Notes held by the CDS/TRS Purchaser with respect to which the CDS/TRS Purchaser has entered into a credit default swap or a total return swap, as the case may be.

“**Fixed Rate Excess**” means, as of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose numerator is the product of:

- (i) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date over the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test; and
- (ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date;

and whose denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Fixed Rate Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Spread Excess were equal to zero.

“**Fixed Rate Obligations**” means any Collateral Obligation that bears interest at a fixed rate.

“**Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Amount**” means, with respect to the CDS/TRS Purchaser for purposes of calculating the applicable CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes held by the CDS/TRS Purchaser as of the date of purchase of such Notes in an Amendment Buy-Out (in each case, after giving effect to any principal amounts paid to the CDS/TRS Purchaser on such date).

“**Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period**” means, with respect to the CDS/TRS Purchaser for purposes of calculating the applicable CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount, initially, the period from and including the date of purchase of such Notes in an Amendment Buy-Out to but excluding the immediately succeeding Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date; provided that the last Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period shall end on the May 2011 Payment Date.

“**Floating Rate Notes**” means the Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.



**“Floating Rate Obligation”** means any Collateral Obligation that bears interest based on a floating rate index.

**“Form-Approved Synthetic Security”** means a Synthetic Security:

- (i) (A) each of the Reference Obligations of which satisfy the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and could be purchased by the Issuer without any required action by the Rating Agencies, without satisfaction of the Rating Condition or which the Rating Agencies have otherwise approved; or
- (B) each of the Reference Obligations of which would satisfy clause (A) above but for the currency in which the Reference Obligation is payable and the Synthetic Security is payable in Dollars, does not provide for physical settlement, and does not expose the Issuer to Dollar currency risk;
- (ii) the Synthetic Security Agreement of which conforms (but for the amount and timing of periodic payments, the name of the Reference Obligation, the notional amount, the effective date, the termination date, and other similar necessary changes) to a form that has been expressly identified and approved in writing in connection with a request under the Indenture by Moody’s and S&P;
- (iii) a copy of the Synthetic Security Agreement of which has been delivered to the Holders of the Class A-1-A Notes and the Class A-1-B Notes by the Trustee at the expense of the Co-Issuers and upon being furnished with a copy of the same by the Servicer; and
- (iv) that is with a counterparty with respect to which the Rating Condition has been satisfied by each of Moody’s and S&P prior to the acquisition of any such Form-Approved Synthetic Security, and such approval has not been withdrawn.

Moody’s or S&P may at any time, by notice to the Servicer, withdraw its approval of any such form. A withdrawal of approval shall have no effect on any Synthetic Security acquired, entered into, or committed to before the date on which the Servicer receives the notice of withdrawal.

**“Funded Amount”** means, with respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan at any time, the aggregate principal amount of advances or other extensions of credit made thereunder by the Issuer that are outstanding and have not been repaid at such time.

**“Hedge Agreements”** means, collectively, all interest rate cap or interest rate swap agreements between the Issuer and any Hedge Counterparty, and any replacement agreement entered into pursuant to the Indenture.

**“Hedge Counterparty”** means any counterparty, to the extent that when the Issuer enters into any Hedge Agreement with such counterparty, such counterparty satisfies the requirements of the Indenture, including the satisfaction of the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency.

**“Hedge Termination Receipt”** means any termination payment paid by the Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer upon any early termination of a Hedge Agreement with respect to which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**“High-Yield Bond”** means any debt security, other than a Loan or a Structured Finance Obligation, that is either Registered or, if not Registered, (i) it is issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States, (ii) the payments on it are not subject to United States withholding tax and (iii) it is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**“Holder”** means, of any Note, the person whose name appears on the Indenture Register as the registered holder of the Note; and of any Preference Share, the person whose name appears in the Preference Share register related thereto as the registered holder of such Preference Share.

**“Indenture Registrar”** means the Bank in its capacity as Indenture registrar as provided in the Indenture.

**“Indenture Register”** means the register caused to be kept by the Issuer for the purpose of registering Notes and transfers of the Notes as provided in the Indenture.

**“Initial Consent Period”** means the period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee mailed notice of a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of Securities.

**“Initial Rating”** means, the ratings by Moody’s and S&P with respect to each Class of Notes provided in the table in “Summary of Terms—Principal Terms of the Securities.”

**“Interest Period”** means, initially, the period from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the first Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date.

**“Interest Proceeds”** means, with respect to any Due Period, the sum (without duplication) of all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period (or as otherwise specified below) by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are:

(i) payments of interest, fees, and commissions (excluding (A) Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal, (B) interest and dividends on Workout Assets, (C) fees and commissions from Defaulted Collateral Obligations, and (D) syndication and other up-front fees and any up-front fixed payments received in connection with entering into a Synthetic Security);

(ii) any portion of the Sale Proceeds of a Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) representing Accrued Interest On Sale;

(iii) all payments of principal on, or disposition proceeds from the sale of, Eligible Investments to the extent purchased with Interest Proceeds;

(iv) payments with respect to the Hedge Agreements received on or before the related Payment Date (other than any amount payable thereunder because of any early termination or notional amount reduction), but not any Sale Proceeds from any of these instruments (except to the extent that they were purchased with Interest Proceeds);

(v) all fees received pursuant to any Securities Lending Agreements;

(vi) amounts in the Collection Account designated for distribution as Interest Proceeds pursuant to the Priority of Payments (including any amount transferred from the Interest Reserve Account);

(vii) all earnings on amounts in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account and the Revolving Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account in accordance with the Indenture;

(viii) amounts in the Expense Reimbursement Account on the Payment Date for the relevant Due Period; and

(ix) any recoveries (including interest) received on a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in excess of the principal balance of such Defaulted Collateral Obligation (as of the date the

related Collateral Obligation became a Defaulted Collateral Obligation and excluding from such principal balance any deferred interest on Defaulted Collateral Obligations that are PIK Securities).

Interest Proceeds shall not include the Excluded Property and Interest Proceeds shall not include earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

Each reference in the definition of “Interest Proceeds” to a Collateral Obligation shall include a Collateral Obligation that has been loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and Interest Proceeds shall include any amounts referred to in clauses (i) through (iii) above received by the Issuer in respect of the Collateral Obligation indirectly from the related Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement.

With respect to any Payment Date, Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Interest Proceeds due and payable on such Payment Date to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date that are distributed to such Holders by way of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of Cash pursuant to “Description of the Securities—Priority of Payments—Interest Proceeds” will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds.

“**Issuer Charter**” means the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Issuer, as amended and restated before the Closing Date or in accordance with the Indenture.

“**Issuer Order**” and “**Issuer Request**” means a written order or request dated and signed in the name of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, or by the Servicer by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

“**Junior Class**” means, with respect to a particular Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that is subordinated to that Class.

“**Leasing Finance Transaction**” means any transaction pursuant to which the obligations of the lessee to pay rent or other amounts on a triple net basis under any lease of (or other arrangement conveying the right to use) real or personal property, or a combination thereof, are required to be classified and accounted for as a capital lease on a balance sheet of such lessee under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America; but only if (a) such lease or other transaction provides for the unconditional obligation of the lessee to pay a stated amount of principal no later than a stated maturity date, together with interest thereon, and the payment of such obligation is not subject to any material non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer, (b) the obligations of the lessee in respect of such lease or other transaction are fully secured, directly or indirectly, by the property that is the subject of such lease and (c) the interest held by the Issuer in respect of such lease or other transaction is treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

“**Loan**” means any interest in a fully committed, senior secured, unsecured, or revolving loan (including loans involving credit linked deposits and synthetic letters of credit) that is acquired by assignment or by Participation (including any DIP Loan) that is either:

- (i) Registered; or
- (ii) issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States:
  - (A) whose payments are not subject to United States withholding tax; and
  - (B) that is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**“Long-Dated Collateral Obligation”** means any Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturity of the Notes other than a Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturities of the Notes that includes a “put” option to its obligor at a price of at least par payable on or before the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

**“Majority”** means, with respect to any Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**“Margin Stock”** means “Margin Stock” as defined under Regulation U issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, including any debt security that is by its terms convertible into Margin Stock, but does not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation received pursuant to an offer by an issuer of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**“Market Value”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the lower of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the bid-side prices for the purchase of the Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer).

If a Market Value of any Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined in accordance with the procedures set out in the previous paragraph for a period of 30 consecutive days then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero; *provided*, that during such 30 day period, such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to (a) the higher of (i) the S&P Recovery Rate for such Collateral Obligation and the then current S&P Rating of the Class A-1-A Notes and (ii) 70% of the Principal Balance of such Collateral Obligation or (b) if the Servicer has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation is lower than the amount determined pursuant to clause (a), such amount to be determined by the Servicer in its commercially reasonable judgment; *provided, further*, that the maximum amount of Collateral Obligations having a Market Value assigned pursuant to the immediately preceding proviso shall be limited to 5.0% of the Maximum Amount (and any amount in excess of 5.0% of the Maximum Amount shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero). For the avoidance of doubt, the procedures set out in this paragraph shall not apply to determinations of Market Value of any Eligible Equity Securities or Current Pay Obligations.

The Servicer is under no obligation to determine the Market Value of the Collateral Obligations other than as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or the Indenture or to comply with any of its duties as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or in the Indenture.

**“Market Value Determination Date”** means, with respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities, one Business Day prior to the date of the notice distributed by the Issuer to the Holders of the Preference Shares in connection with such distribution.

**“Market Value Percentage”** means, for any Collateral Obligation, the ratio obtained by dividing:

- (i) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation; by
- (ii) the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Maximum Amount”** means an amount equal to:

- (i) on any Measurement Date during the Ramp-Up Period, U.S.\$981,300,000; and
- (ii) on any Measurement Date after the Ramp-Up Completion Date:

(A) the aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations plus the aggregate outstanding principal amount of any Defaulted Collateral Obligations; *plus*

(B) cash representing Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*

(C) Eligible Investments (other than cash) purchased by the Issuer with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account.

**“Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the sum of (i) the number set forth in the column entitled “Maximum Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolation between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable) *plus* (ii) the Recovery Rate Modifier.

**“Measurement Date”** means any date:

- (i) on which the Issuer commits to acquire or dispose of any Collateral Obligation;
- (ii) on which a Collateral Obligation becomes a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
- (iii) that is a Determination Date;
- (iv) that is the Ramp-Up Completion Date;
- (v) that is the date as of which the information in a Monthly Report is calculated pursuant to the Indenture; and,

with respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities only,

- (vi) that is the Market Value Determination Date.

**“Minimum Diversity Score”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a score equal to the number set forth in the column entitled “Minimum Diversity Score” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**“Minimum Weighted Average Spread”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the spread equal to the percentage set forth in the row entitled “Minimum Weighted Average Spread” in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable “row/column combination” chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**“Monthly Report”** means a monthly report compiled and provided by the Issuer.

**“Moody’s Default Probability Rating”** means with respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (i) with respect to a Moody’s Senior Secured Loan:

- (A) if the Loan's obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, such corporate family rating; and
- (B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Obligation Rating of such Loan;
- (C) if the preceding clauses do not apply, the rating that is one subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating;
- (ii) with respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating of such Collateral Obligation;
- (iii) with respect to a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the rating that is one rating subcategory below the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof;
- (iv) with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof (or, if the obligation does not have an Assigned Moody's Rating but has a rating by S&P, then the Moody's Default Probability Rating shall be:
  - (x) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher, or
  - (y) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; and
- (v) with respect to a Synthetic Security, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down (if on watch for downgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories or adjusted up (if on watch for upgrade) (i) with respect to any Collateral Obligation other than Structured Finance Obligations, one subcategory and (ii) with respect to any Structured Finance Obligation, two subcategories. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture, if a Moody's Default Probability Rating is withdrawn by Moody's with respect to a Collateral Obligation, the Issuer will continue using the latest Moody's Default Probability Rating available immediately prior to such withdrawal until a bankruptcy event occurs with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating"** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation that is a Loan or bond and the obligor thereof, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

- (i) if the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating;
- (ii) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's "Issuer Rating" for the obligor;
- (iii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating; then
  - (A) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "B3" (and, if rated "B3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one rating subcategory higher than such Assigned Moody's Rating; or
  - (B) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "B3" (or rated "B3" and on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be such Assigned Moody's Rating;

(iv) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with an Assigned Moody's Rating; then:

(A) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is at least "Caa3" (and, if rated "Caa3," not on watch for downgrade), the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be the rating which is one subcategory below such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(B) if such Assigned Moody's Rating is less than "Caa3" (or rated "Caa3" and on watch for downgrade), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be "C";

(v) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but such obligor has a corporate family rating from Moody's, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be one rating subcategory below such corporate family rating;

(vi) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior unsecured obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), then the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(D) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower; or

(E) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's of (a) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating no lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (vi)(C), or clauses (vii)(C) or (viii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(vii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a subordinated obligation (other than a bank loan) with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(B) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (iii) above; or

(C) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (a) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within five Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (vii)(C), or

clauses (vi)(C) or (viii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(viii) if the preceding clauses do not apply, but the obligor has a senior secured obligation with a monitored public rating from S&P (without any postscripts, asterisks or other qualifying notations, that addresses the full amount of principal and interest promised), the Assigned Moody's Rating shall be deemed to be:

(A) one rating subcategory below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BBB-" or higher;

(B) two rating subcategories below the Moody's equivalent of such S&P rating if it is "BB+" or lower, and the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating shall be determined pursuant to clause (iv) above; or

(C) "B3" until the Issuer or the Servicer obtains an estimated rating from Moody's if (a) the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that in its commercially reasonable judgment, it believes an estimated rating equivalent to a rating not lower than "B3" will be assigned by Moody's and the Issuer or the Servicer on its behalf applies for an estimated rating from Moody's within two Business Days of the date of the commitment to purchase the Loan or Bond, (b) the aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations having an Assigned Moody's Rating pursuant to either this clause (viii)(C), or clause (vi)(C) or (vii)(C) does not exceed 5% of the Maximum Amount, and (c) all the Coverage Tests and the Collateral Quality Tests are satisfied;

(ix) if the preceding clauses do not apply and each of the following clauses (A) through (H) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa1:"

(A) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings;

(B) no debt securities or obligations of the obligor are in default;

(C) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates has defaulted on any debt during the preceding two years;

(D) the obligor has been in existence for the preceding five years;

(E) the obligor is current on any cumulative dividends;

(F) the fixed-charge ratio for the obligor exceeds 125% for each of the preceding two fiscal years and for the most recent quarter;

(G) the obligor had a net profit before tax in the past fiscal year and the most recent quarter; and

(H) the annual financial statements of such obligor are unqualified and certified by a firm of Independent accountants of international reputation, and quarterly statements are unaudited but signed by a corporate officer;

(x) if the preceding clauses do not apply but each of the following clauses (A) and (B) do apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Caa3":

(A) neither the obligor nor any of its Affiliates is subject to reorganization or bankruptcy proceedings; and



(B) no debt security or obligation of such obligor has been in default during the past two years; and

(xi) if the preceding clauses do not apply and a debt security or obligation of the obligor has been in default during the past two years, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating will be "Ca."

Notwithstanding the foregoing, not more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may consist of Relevant Obligations given a Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating based on a rating given by S&P as provided in clauses (vi), (vii) and (viii) above.

**"Moody's Group I Country"** means any of the following countries: Australia, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group I Country.

**"Moody's Group II Country"** means any of the following countries: Germany, Ireland, Sweden, Switzerland and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group II Country.

**"Moody's Group III Country"** means any of the following countries: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, Spain and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group III Country.

**"Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate"** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the number obtained by (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate, (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations and (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

**"Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan"** means any Loan that is not a Moody's Senior Secured Loan.

**"Moody's Obligation Rating"** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following, in the following order of priority:

(i) With respect to a Moody's Senior Secured Loan:

(A) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the rating that is one rating subcategory above the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and

(ii) With respect to a Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan or a Bond:

(A) if it has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating; or

(B) if the preceding clause does not apply, the Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating; and

(iii) With respect to a Synthetic Security or a DIP Loan, the Assigned Moody's Rating thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Moody's rating or ratings used to determine the Moody's Default Probability Rating are on watch for downgrade or upgrade by Moody's, such rating or ratings will be adjusted down one subcategory (if on watch for downgrade) or up one subcategory (if on watch for upgrade).

**“Moody’s Priority Category”** means each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of “Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix” as a “Moody’s Priority Category.”

**“Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate”** means for any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of “Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix” opposite the Moody’s Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**“Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix”** means the table below:

<b>Moody’s Priority Category</b>	<b>Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Synthetic Securities.....	In the case of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the “Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate” given by Moody’s to the Form-Approved Synthetic Security at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security by Moody’s; and</li> <li>(ii) any other Synthetic Security, the “Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate” given by Moody’s to the Synthetic Security at the time of acquisition of the Synthetic Security.</li> </ul>
Structured Finance Obligations.....	The Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the Moody’s Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 5</u> to the Indenture by reference to the type of asset and its then Moody’s Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that schedule does not apply, on a case-by-case basis in connection with the grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
unsecured DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligations not covered above or below ..	As determined by Moody’s on a case-by-case basis.

For High-Yield Bonds, Moody’s Senior Secured Loans and Moody’s Non Senior Secured Loans, the relevant Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate is the rate determined pursuant to the table below based on the number of rating subcategories difference between the High-Yield Bond’s or Loan’s Moody’s Obligation Rating and its Moody’s Default Probability Rating (for purposes of clarification, if the Moody’s Obligation Rating is higher than the Moody’s Default Probability Rating, the rating subcategories difference will be positive and if it is lower, negative):

<b>Number of Moody’s Rating Subcategories Difference Between the Moody’s Obligation Rating and the Moody’s Default Probability Rating</b>	<b>Moody’s Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>Moody’s Non Senior Secured Loans</b>	<b>High-Yield Bonds</b>
+2 or more	60.0%	45.0%	40.0%
+1	50.0%	42.5%	35.0%
0	45.0%	40.0%	30.0%
-1	40.0%	30.0%	15.0%
-2	30.0%	15.0%	10.0%
-3 or less	20.0%	10.0%	2.0%

If no Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate has been specifically assigned with respect to a Loan pursuant to the above table, and the Loan is a secured DIP Loan, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is 50.0%.

**"Moody's Rating"** means the Moody's Default Probability Rating; *provided* that, with respect to the Collateral Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or any successor to it ceases to provide rating services, references to rating categories of Moody's in the Indenture shall be deemed instead to be references to the equivalent categories of any other nationally recognized investment rating agency selected by the Servicer, as of the most recent date on which such other rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in respect of which such alternative rating agency is used. If no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's, then the Servicer may apply to Moody's for a Moody's credit rating estimate, which will be its Moody's Rating; *provided* that, on or prior to each one-year anniversary of the acquisition of any such Collateral Obligation, the Issuer shall submit to Moody's a request for a Moody's credit rating estimate for such Collateral Obligation, which shall be its Moody's Rating, together with all information reasonably required by Moody's to perform such estimate

**"Moody's Rating Factor"** means the number in the table below opposite the rating of the Collateral Obligation (excluding Synthetic Securities where an Assigned Moody's Rating is not available).

Moody's Rating	Moody's Rating Factor	Moody's Rating	Moody's Rating Factor
Aaa	1	Ba1	940
Aa1	10	Ba2	1350
Aa2	20	Ba3	1766
Aa3	40	B1	2220
A1	70	B2	2720
A2	120	B3	3490
A3	180	Caa1	4770
Baa1	260	Caa2	6500
Baa2	360	Caa3	8070
Baa3	610	Ca or lower	10000

The Moody's Rating Factor for Collateral Obligations that are Synthetic Securities shall be determined by Moody's and obtained by the Issuer or the Servicer on a case-by-case basis, unless (1) there is an Assigned Moody's Rating available for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, in which case such Assigned Moody's Rating shall be used to compute the Moody's Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, or (2) such Collateral Obligation is a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, in which case the Moody's Rating Factor given to such Collateral Obligation at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security shall be used to compute the Moody's Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security.

The Moody's Rating Factor for any Collateral Obligation that is a Structured Finance Obligation shall be equal to:  $\frac{A \times 55\%}{1 - B}$ ,

where: "A" means the number determined with respect to such Collateral Obligation pursuant to the table above; and

“B” means the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

**“Moody’s Senior Secured Loan”** means:

(i) a Loan that:

(A) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan;

(B) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor’s obligations under the Loan; and

(C) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal seniority secured by a first lien or security interest in the same collateral; or

(ii) a Loan that:

(A) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan, other than, with respect to a Loan described in clause (i) above, with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such loan;

(B) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor’s obligations under the Loan;

(C) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by a first or second lien or security interest in the same collateral; and

(D) has been assigned a Moody’s rating equal to or higher than Moody's corporate family rating for such obligor; and

(iii) the Loan is not: (A) a DIP Loan, (B) a Loan for which the security interest or lien (or the validity or effectiveness thereof) in substantially all of its collateral attaches, becomes effective, or otherwise “springs” into existence after the origination thereof, or (C) a type of loan that Moody’s has identified as having unusual terms and with respect to which its Moody’s Recovery Rate has been or is to be determined on a case-by-case basis.

**“Non-Consenting Holder”** means with respect to any supplemental indenture pursuant to the Indenture that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, any Holder or, in the case of Securities represented by Global Notes, any beneficial owner, that either (i) has delivered to the Trustee a written notice that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) had not consented to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

**“Non-Performing Collateral Obligation”** means any Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any PIK Security as to which its issuer or obligor has previously deferred or capitalized any interest due on it and all the interest so deferred or capitalized has not subsequently been paid in full in cash by:

(i) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above, the earlier of its second payment date or one year following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it; or

(ii) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "Baa3," or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "BBB-," the earlier of its first payment date or six months following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it.

**"Notes"** means the Class the Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**"Noteholder"** means a Holder of the Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes.

**"Note Payment Sequence"** means the application of funds in the following order:

- (1) to the Class A Notes until the Class A Notes have been fully redeemed (*provided* that amounts allocated to payment of principal of the Class A Notes shall be paid in accordance with the Class A Allocation);
- (2) to the Class B Notes until the Class B Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (2) to the Class C Notes until the Class C Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (3) to the Class D Notes until the Class D Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (4) to the Class E Notes until the Class E Notes have been fully redeemed.

**"Offer"** means any Collateral Obligation that is subject to a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion or other similar action.

**"Officer"** means, with respect to the Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to the Co-Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to any partnership, any of its general partners; and with respect to the Trustee, any Trust Officer.

**"Outstanding"** means, with respect to:

(i) the Notes or any specified Class, as of any date of determination, all of the Notes or all of the Notes of the specified Class, as the case may be, theretofore authenticated and delivered under the Indenture, except with respect to Notes:

(A) Notes canceled by the Indenture Registrar or delivered to the Indenture Registrar for cancellation;

(B) Notes for whose payment or redemption funds in the necessary amount have been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for their Holders pursuant to the Indenture and if the Notes are to be redeemed, notice of redemption has been duly given pursuant to the Indenture;

(C) Notes in exchange for or in lieu of which other Notes have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to the Indenture; and

(D) Notes alleged to have been destroyed, lost, or stolen for which replacement Notes have been issued as provided in the Indenture, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Notes are held by a protected purchaser; and

(ii) the Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Preference Share Documents and listed in the Preference Share register of the Issuer as outstanding;

*provided* that, in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver under the Indenture, Securities owned or beneficially owned by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, any Affiliate of either of them and, with respect to any matter affecting its status as Servicer or appointment of a replacement Servicer or relating to an acceleration of any Class of Notes if the effect of the Servicer's action or inaction as a Holder of Securities would effectively prevent acceleration, the Servicer, its Affiliates and any account for which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (other than, with respect to Notes or Class II Preference Shares, HFP or any of its subsidiaries; *provided* that, with respect to the voting authority of Notes or Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) shall be disregarded and not be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver, only Securities that a Trust Officer of the Trustee (or with respect to the Preference Shares, only Preference Shares that an authorized officer of the Preference Shares Paying Agent) has actual knowledge to be so owned or beneficially owned shall be so disregarded. Securities so owned or beneficially owned that have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee or the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, the pledgee's right so to act with respect to the Securities and that the pledgee is independent from the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

**"Participating Institution"** means an institution that creates a participation interest and that has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" (and if so rated by Moody's such rating is not on watch for possible downgrade) and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A".

**"Participation"** means a Loan acquired as a participation interest created by a Participating Institution.

**"Permitted Offer"** means a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion, or other similar action pursuant to which the offeror offers to acquire a debt obligation (including a Collateral Obligation) in exchange solely for cash in an amount equal to or greater than the full face amount of the debt obligation plus any accrued and unpaid interest and as to which the Servicer has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the offeror has sufficient access to financing to consummate the tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion, or other similar action.

**"PIK Cash-Pay Interest"** means, as to any PIK Security, the portion of interest required to be paid in cash (and not permitted to be added to the balance of such PIK Security or otherwise deferred and accrued) thereon pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments.

**"PIK Security"** means any loan or debt obligation on which any portion of the interest accrued for a specified period of time or until the maturity thereof is, or at the option of the obligor may be, added to the principal balance of such loan or debt obligation or otherwise deferred rather than being paid in cash; *provided* that such loan or debt obligation shall not be a PIK Security if the portion, if any, of such interest required pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments to be paid in Cash would result in the outstanding principal amount of such loan or debt obligation having an effective rate of PIK

Cash-Pay Interest at least equal to (i) if such loan or debt obligation is a fixed rate loan or debt obligation, 4% per annum, or (ii) if such loan or debt obligation is a floating rate loan or debt obligation, LIBOR.

**“Pledged Obligations”** means, as of any date of determination, the Collateral Obligations, the Workout Assets, the Eligible Investments, and any other securities or obligations that have been granted to the Trustee that form part of the Collateral.

**“Person”** is an individual, corporation (including a business trust), partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust (including any beneficiary thereof), unincorporated association or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

**“Portfolio Improvement Exchange”** means, the disposition, during the Replacement Period, of a Collateral Obligation and corresponding acquisition of one or more Collateral Obligations which in the aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Test, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied (or bring the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations closer to compliance with any such test or limitation) or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith would be improved and (ii) improving, on a net basis, the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test and Concentration Limitations and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased.

**“Preference Share Internal Rate of Return”** means, with respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the “XIRR” function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for the following cash flows, assuming all Preference Shares are purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount:

(i) each distribution of Interest Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date; and

(ii) each distribution of Principal Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date.

**“Preference Shares Paying Agent Agreement”** means a Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of May 31, 2007, between the Issuer and Investors Bank & Trust Company, as Preference Shares Paying Agent.

**“Preference Shares Distribution Account”** means a separate segregated non-interest bearing trust account established by the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deposit all amounts received from the Issuer and payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares under the Priority of Payments.

**“Preference Shares Notional Amount”** means, as of the Closing Date, \$80,000,000, and thereafter as increased each time additional Preference Shares are issued in accordance with the Preference Share Documents.

**“Preference Shares Paying Agent”** means Investors Bank & Trust Company in its capacity as Preference Shares Paying Agent under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable

provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter “Preference Shares Paying Agent” shall mean such successor person.

**“Principal Balance”** means, with respect to:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those specifically covered in this definition, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Pledged Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest, zero, except as otherwise expressly specified in the Indenture;
- (iv) any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, except as otherwise provided, zero;
- (v) any Collateral Obligation that has been loaned, its Principal Balance shall be reduced by the excess of the amount of collateral required over the actual Market Value of the collateral;
- (vi) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance shall include any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer’s obligation to fund the unfunded amount), except as otherwise expressly specified in the Indenture;
- (vii) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance shall not include any principal amount of the PIK Security representing previously deferred or capitalized interest; and
- (viii) any Qualified Equity Security and any obligation or security that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, zero.

**“Principal Proceeds”** means with respect to any Due Period, all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are not Interest Proceeds.

Principal Proceeds shall include any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account into the Collection Account pursuant to the Indenture.

Principal Proceeds do not include the Excluded Property or earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

At any time when an “event of default” under a Securities Lending Agreement has occurred and is continuing, any payments received by the Issuer from the related Securities Lending Collateral shall be Principal Proceeds.

**“Priority Class”** means, with respect to any specified Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that ranks senior to that Class.

**“Proceeding”** means any suit in equity, action at law, or other judicial or administrative proceeding.

**“Proposed Portfolio”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations and Principal Proceeds held as cash on deposit in the Collection Account and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account resulting from the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or a proposed purchase of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.



**“Purchase Agreement”** means a purchase agreement dated May 31, 2007 among the Issuer and the Initial Purchasers relating to the purchase of the Notes and the Class I Preference Shares, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**“Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance”** means, for any Collateral Obligation other than Deep Discount Obligations, its Principal Balance; and for any Deep Discount Obligation its Purchase Price; *provided, however*, that if any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations exist, the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance for the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations shall be the lower of (i) the weighted average Market Value of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances and (ii) the product of (a) 70% and (b) their respective Principal Balance.

**“Purchase Price”** means, with respect to the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (other than any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation), the net purchase price paid by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation. The net purchase price is determined by subtracting from the purchase price the amount of any Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal and any syndication and other upfront fees paid to the Issuer and by adding the amount of any related transaction costs (including assignment fees) paid by the Issuer to the seller of the Collateral Obligation or its agent.

**“Purchase Price Amount”** means, respect to any Collateral Obligation on any date of determination, the product of (i) the Purchase Price (stated as a percentage) thereof and (ii) the Principal Balance thereof on such date.

**“Qualified Equity Security”** means any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that is stock or evidence of an interest in or a right to buy stock, or any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation but whose acquisition otherwise is a transaction in stocks or securities within the meaning of Section 864(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Code and the regulations under the Code. Qualified Equity Securities do not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation and that will cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in or having income from a United States trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes by virtue of its ownership or disposition of the obligation (without regard to the Issuer’s other activities).

**“Ramp-Up Period”** means the period from and including the Closing Date to and including the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

**“Rating Agency”** means, each of Moody’s and S&P or, with respect to Pledged Obligations generally, if at any time Moody’s or S&P ceases to provide rating services with respect to high yield debt securities, any other nationally recognized statistical rating organization selected by the Issuer and reasonably satisfactory to a Majority of each Class of Notes. If at any time Moody’s ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of Moody’s in the Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and Moody’s published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used. If at any time S&P ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of S&P in the Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and S&P published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used.

**“Rating Condition”** means, with respect to any Rating Agency and any action taken or to be taken under the Indenture, a condition that is satisfied when the Rating Agency has confirmed to the Servicer (as agent for the Issuer) in writing that no withdrawal, reduction, suspension, or other adverse action with respect to any then current rating by it (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes will occur as a result of the action. The Rating Condition with respect to any Rating Agency shall be satisfied for all purposes of the Indenture at any time when no Outstanding Notes are rated by it.

“**Rating Confirmation**” means confirmation in writing from each Rating Agency that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes; provided however, that in the case of Refinancing Notes, a Moody's rating will be obtained for such Refinancing Notes and a Rating Confirmation with respect to such Refinancing Notes shall mean (i) with respect to S&P, confirmation in writing from S&P that the rating of each Class of Refinancing Notes will be no lower than the rating on each corresponding Class of Notes subject to such Refinancing and (ii) with respect to Moody's, that the Moody's rating of each Class of Refinancing Notes will be no lower than the rating on each corresponding Class of Notes subject to such Refinancing; provided further that if the terms of such Refinancing Notes are the same as the terms of the corresponding Class of Notes subject to Refinancing (other than with respect to the coupon thereof), it is expected that the cost of obtaining such rating from Moody's shall be no more than the cost of obtaining a Rating Confirmation.

“**Ratings Matrix**” means the “row/column combination” of the table below selected by the Servicer on the Closing Date to apply initially for purposes of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test. Thereafter, on notice to the Trustee, the Servicer may select a different row of the Ratings Matrix to apply, or may interpolate between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable, on a straight-line basis and round the results to two decimal points.

Minimum Weighted Average Spread	Minimum Diversity Score							
	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90
2.20%	2185	2230	2275	2320	2365	2395	2430	2455
2.30%	2230	2275	2320	2365	2410	2445	2480	2500
2.40%	2275	2320	2365	2410	2455	2490	2525	2550
2.50%	2320	2365	2410	2455	2500	2535	2570	2595
2.60%	2370	2415	2460	2505	2550	2585	2620	2645
2.70%	2425	2470	2515	2560	2605	2640	2675	2700
2.80%	2480	2525	2570	2615	2660	2695	2730	2755
2.90%	2535	2580	2625	2670	2715	2750	2785	2810
3.00%	2570	2635	2680	2725	2770	2805	2820	2845
Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor								

“**Recovery Rate Modifier**” means, as of any Measurement Date, the lesser of 60 and the product of:

(i) (a) the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate *minus* the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test (but not less than zero) *multiplied* by (b) 100; and

(ii) 40.

“**Redemption Date**” means any Payment Date specified for an Optional Redemption or the redemption of a Class of Notes in connection with a Refinancing under “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption.”

“**Redemption Price**” means, with respect to any Note and any Optional Redemption or Refinancing, an amount equal to:

(i) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of the Note being redeemed; *plus*

(ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest); *plus*

(iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note; *plus*

(iv) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

With respect to any Preference Share and any Optional Redemption, “Redemption Price” means (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares of the remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications pursuant to the Priority of Payments or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case as specified in “Description of the Securities—Optional Redemption—Preference Shares.”

“**Reference Obligation**” means an obligation that would otherwise satisfy the definition of “Collateral Obligation” and on which a Synthetic Security is based; *provided* that no Reference Obligation shall be a Synthetic Security.

“**Refinancing Price**” means, with respect to any Class of Notes that is subject to a Refinancing, an amount equal to the Redemption Price therefor.

“**Refinancing Proceeds**” means, the proceeds from any refinancing permitted under the Indenture.

“**Registered**” means, with respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment, means that it is issued after July 18, 1984 and is in registered form within the meaning of Section 881(c)(2)(B)(i) of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.

“**Regulation D**” means Regulation D under the Securities Act.

“**Relevant Obligation**” means, for a Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security and otherwise the Collateral Obligation.

“**Removal Buy-Out Purchaser**” means the Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent).

“**Repository**” means the internet-based password protected electronic repository of transaction documents relating to privately offered and sold collateralized debt obligation securities located at “www.cdolibrary.com” operated by The Bond Market Association. Information on this website is not considered part of this Offering Memorandum in any way.

“**Required Redemption Percentage**” means, with respect to (a) any Optional Redemption resulting from a Tax Event, the Holders of at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of any Affected Class or at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares and (b) any other Optional Redemption, a Majority of the Preference Shares.

“**Retention Overcollateralization Ratio**” means, as of any Measurement Date, the ratio obtained by dividing: (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator by (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes, excluding any Deferred Interest on any Class of Notes.

“**Revolving Loan**” means a Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation (in each case excluding any Delayed Drawdown Loan) that requires the Issuer to make future advances to (or for the account of) the borrower under its underlying instruments (including any letter of credit for which the Issuer is required to reimburse the issuing bank for under it). A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Revolving Loan for so long as its commitment amount is greater than zero.

**“S&P CDO Monitor”** means a dynamic, analytical computer model developed by S&P (and as may be modified by S&P from time to time) and provided to the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator to be used to calculate the default frequency in terms of the amount of debt assumed to default as a percentage of the original principal amount of the Collateral Obligations consistent with a specified benchmark rating level based on certain assumptions and S&P’s proprietary corporate default studies. For the purpose (and only for the purpose) of applying the S&P CDO Monitor to a portfolio of obligations, for each obligation in the portfolio, the rating of the obligation shall be its S&P Rating.

**“S&P CRR”** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation, a corporate recovery rate assigned by S&P to such Collateral Obligation.

**“S&P CRR Recovery Rate”** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation to which S&P has assigned a S&P CRR, the recovery rate determined in accordance with the definition of S&P Recovery Rate.

**“S&P Industry Classification”** means the S&P Industry Classifications in Schedule 3 of the Indenture as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by S&P.

**“S&P Rating”** means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following methodology:

(i) If there is an issuer credit rating of the borrower of the Collateral Obligation (the **“Borrower”**), or the guarantor who unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the Collateral Obligation (the **“Guarantor”**) by S&P, the most current issuer credit rating for such Borrower or Guarantor (*provided* that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating);

(ii) (a) if there is not an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation will be one subcategory below such rating; (b) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior secured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a senior unsecured obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be such rating; and (c) if there is not a rating by S&P on a senior obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, but there is a rating by S&P on a subordinated obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating will be two subcategories above such rating if such rating is “BBB-” or higher and will be one subcategory above such rating if such rating is “BB+” or lower (*provided* that with respect to any private or confidential rating, a consent has been granted by such Borrower or Guarantor and a copy of such consent shall be provided to S&P indicating that the issuer can rely on such private or confidential rating); or

(iii) if there is neither an issuer credit rating of the Borrower or its Guarantor by S&P nor a rating by S&P on an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor, then the S&P Rating may be determined using any one of the methods below:

(A) if an obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is publicly rated by Moody’s, then the S&P Rating will be determined in accordance with the methodologies for establishing the Moody’s Default Probability Rating, except that the S&P Rating of such obligation will be (1) one subcategory below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody’s if such security is rated “Baa3” or higher by Moody’s and (2) two subcategories below the S&P equivalent of the rating assigned by Moody’s if such security is rated “Ba1” or lower by Moody’s; *provided* that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 10% of the Maximum Amount may be given a S&P Rating based on a rating given by Moody’s as provided in this subclause (A) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

(B) if no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's, then the Servicer may apply to S&P for a S&P credit rating estimate, which will be its S&P Rating; *provided* that, prior to or upon acquisition of any such Collateral Obligation and on or prior to each one year anniversary of the acquisition of such Collateral Obligation, the Issuer shall submit to S&P a request for a S&P credit rating estimate for such Collateral Obligation, which shall be its S&P Rating, together with all information reasonably required by S&P to perform such estimate; or

(C) if such Collateral Obligation is not rated by Moody's or S&P, no other security or obligation of the Borrower or its Guarantor is rated by S&P or Moody's and if the Servicer determines in its sole discretion based on information available to it after reasonable inquiry that such Borrower (x) is not subject to any bankruptcy or reorganization proceedings nor in default on any of its obligations (unless the subject of a good faith business dispute), (y) is a legally constituted corporate entity having the minimum legal, financial and operational infrastructure to carry on a definable business, deliver and sell a product or service and report its results in generally accepted accounting terms as verified by a reputable audit firm and (z) is not so vulnerable to adverse business, financial and economic conditions that default in its financial or other obligations is foreseeable in the near term if current operating trends continue, then the S&P Rating will be the rating determined by the Servicer, using its commercially reasonable judgment, to be applicable for such Collateral Obligation during such time as the credit estimate is pending; *provided* that if, upon the 90<sup>th</sup> day following the acquisition of such Collateral Obligation (which 90-day period will be extended by S&P upon request by the Servicer so long as the Servicer has applied to S&P for a S&P credit rating and has provided all the information necessary for S&P to provide a credit rating to such Collateral Obligation prior to or upon acquisition of the such Collateral Obligation), S&P has not assigned a credit rating to such Collateral Obligation, then such Collateral Obligation shall be treated by the Issuer as having a rating of "CCC-"; *provided, further*, that Collateral Obligations constituting no more than 5% of the Maximum Amount may be given an S&P Rating based on this subclause (c) (after giving effect to the addition of the relevant Collateral Obligation, if applicable);

*provided* that, if (i) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any positive "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be increased by one rating subcategory or (ii) the relevant Borrower or Guarantor or obligation is placed on any negative "credit watch" list by S&P, such rating will be decreased by one rating subcategory.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Loan, the S&P Rating shall be (A) the rating assigned thereto by S&P if the rating is public, (B) the rating assigned by S&P if the rating is confidential, but only if all appropriate parties have provided written consent to its disclosure and use, (C) the rating assigned by S&P thereto through an estimated rating or (D) the rating assigned thereto by S&P in connection with the acquisition thereof upon the request of the Servicer. In the case of a Collateral Obligation that is a PIK Security, Structured Finance Obligation or Synthetic Securities, the S&P Rating may not be determined pursuant to clause (iii)(A) above.

S&P Ratings for entities or obligations relevant hereunder other than Borrowers and Collateral Obligations shall be determined in a corresponding manner.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if and for so long as the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations consisting in the aggregate of (x) Participations and (y) Synthetic Securities exceeds 20% of the Maximum Amount, then the S&P Rating for the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations representing that excess (determined assuming the excess is comprised of the Collateral Obligations having the lowest S&P Ratings that would otherwise be applicable as determined above) shall be the S&P Rating one sub-category below the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be applicable as determined above. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture, if a S&P Rating is withdrawn by S&P with respect to a Collateral Obligation, the Issuer will continue using

the latest S&P Rating available immediately prior to such withdrawal until a bankruptcy event occurs with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

“**S&P Rating Confirmation**” means confirmation in writing from S&P that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes.

“**S&P Recovery Rate**” means, as of any date of determination, with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the percentage for such Collateral Obligation set forth in (x) the applicable table below, (y) the row in such table opposite the S&P CRR (or, if the relevant assets have no S&P CRR, the senior secured recovery rating, the U.S. loan recovery rating or the CDO liability rating, as applicable) of such Collateral Obligation (or, in the case of a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation unless otherwise specified by S&P) and (z) the column in such table below the initial S&P Rating of the respective Class of Notes; provided, however that (i) with respect to a DIP Loan or a Synthetic Security (other than a Form-Approved Synthetic Security), the S&P Recovery Rate shall be the recovery rate assigned by S&P and with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation the S&P Recovery Rate shall be the recovery rate determined by reference to Table V or Table VI below, as applicable and (ii) the Issuer or the Servicer may request the assignment of a recovery rate from S&P with respect to any Collateral Obligation, any such assignment by S&P to be in writing (electronic or otherwise).

**Table I (if the Collateral Obligation has a S&P CRR): Recovery Rates For Assets With Corporate Recovery Ratings**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B & CCC
<b>S&amp;P CRR</b>				(%)		
1+	100	100	100	100	100	100
1	92	93	94	96	98	100
2	84	86	88	90	92	94
3	60	63	65	69	72	74
4	40	42	44	46	48	48
5	16	17	19	21	23	24

\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table II (if the Collateral Obligation is a Senior Unsecured Loan and has no S&P CRR, but other senior secured corporate debt of the same obligor has a S&P CRR): U.S. Recovery Rates of Corporate Senior Unsecured Debt If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B & CCC
<b>Senior secured recovery ratings</b>				(%)		
1+	53	55	57	59	61	61
1	48	50	52	54	56	56
2	43	45	47	49	51	51
3	39	41	43	45	47	47
4	20	20	20	20	20	20
5	10	10	10	10	10	10

\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table III (if the Collateral Obligation is a subordinated obligation and has no S&P CRR, but other senior secured corporate debt of the same obligor has a S&P CRR): U.S. Recovery Rates of Corporate Subordinated Debt If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B & CCC
<b>Senior secured recovery ratings</b>						
			(%)			
1+	25	25	25	25	25	25
1	22	22	22	22	22	22
2	20	20	20	20	20	20
3	20	20	20	20	20	20
4	10	10	10	10	10	10
5	5	5	5	5	5	5

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\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table IV (if none of Table I, Table II or Table III is applicable): S&P's U.S. Tiered Corporate Recovery Rates (for Collateral Obligations that do not have a S&P CRR)**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B & CCC
<b>U.S. loan recovery rates</b>						
			(%)			
Senior Secured Loans	56	60	64	67	70	70
Senior Unsecured Loans and Second Lien Loans						
Loans	40	42	44	46	48	48
Subordinated Loans	22	22	22	22	22	22
Senior Secured Notes	48	49	50	51	52	52
Unsecured Bonds	38	41	42	44	45	45
Subordinated Bonds	19	19	19	19	19	19

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\* As of the Closing Date.

\*\* The Aggregate Principal Balance of all Second Lien Loans without a S&P CRR (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that, in the aggregate, represent up to 15% of the Maximum Amount will have the S&P Recovery Rate specified for Second Lien Loans in the table above. The Aggregate Principal Balance of all Second Lien Loans without a S&P CRR (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) in excess of 15% of the Maximum Amount will have the S&P Recovery Rate specified for Subordinated Loans in the table above.

**Table V (if the Structured Finance Obligation is the senior-most tranche of securities issued by the issuer of, or obligor on, such Structured Finance Obligation): S&P's Ratings of Collateral Obligations at the Date of Issuance**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC
<b>Recovery Rate by S&amp;P's Rating of Class of Notes on the Applicable</b>							

<b>Measurement Date</b>							
AAA	80.00%	85.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%
AA	70.00%	75.00%	85.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%
A	60.00%	65.00%	75.00%	85.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%
BBB	50.00%	55.00%	65.00%	75.00%	85.00%	85.00%	85.00%
BB	45.00%	50.00%	55.00%	65.00%	75.00%	75.00%	75.00%
B	25.00%	30.00%	50.00%	55.00%	65.00%	65.00%	50.00%
CCC	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	5.00%	10.00%	10.00%

\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table VI (if the Structured Finance Obligation is not the senior-most tranche of securities issued by the issuer of, or obligor on, such Structured Finance Obligation): S&P's Ratings of Collateral Obligations at the Date of Issuance**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>CCC</b>
<b>Recovery Rate by S&amp;P's Rating of Class of Notes on the Applicable Measurement Date</b>							
AAA	65.00%	70.00%	80.00%	85.00%	85.00%	85.00%	85.00%
AA	55.00%	65.00%	75.00%	80.00%	80.00%	80.00%	80.00%
A	40.00%	45.00%	55.00%	65.00%	80.00%	80.00%	80.00%
BBB	30.00%	35.00%	40.00%	45.00%	50.00%	60.00%	70.00%
BB	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%	25.00%	35.00%	40.00%	50.00%
B	2.50%	5.00%	5.00%	10.00%	10.00%	20.00%	25.00%
CCC	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	2.50%	5.00%	5.00%

\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table VII: European Tiered Corporate Recovery Rates (By Asset Class And CDO Liability Rating)**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B &amp; CCC</b>
<b>CDO liability rating</b>						
<b>Senior secured loans</b>				(%)		
Group A**	68	73	78	81	85	85
Group B**	56	60	64	67	70	70
Group C**	48	51	55	57	60	60
<b>Mezz./second-lien/senior unsecured loans (%)</b>						
Group A	45	47	50	52	54	54
Group B	40	42	44	46	48	48
Group C	35	37	39	40	42	42
<b>Subordinated loans (%)</b>						
Group A	20	20	20	20	20	20
Group B	20	20	20	20	20	20
Group C	17	17	17	17	17	17
<b>Senior secured bonds (%)</b>						
Group A	60	61	62	63	64	64
Group B	48	49	50	51	52	52
Group C	43	44	45	46	47	47
<b>Senior unsecured bonds (%)</b>						



Group A	40	42	44	46	48	48
Group B	38	41	42	44	45	45
Group C	32	35	36	38	39	40
<b>Subordinated bonds (%)</b>						
Group A	18	18	18	18	18	18
Group B	18	18	18	18	18	18
Group C	15	15	15	15	15	15

\* As of the Closing Date.

\*\* Group A: U.K., Ireland, South Africa, and The Netherlands. Group B: Belgium, Germany, Austria, Spain, Portugal, Luxembourg, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, and Finland. Group C: France, Italy, Greece, and Switzerland.

**Table VIII: Group A European Recovery If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B & CCC
<b>CDO liability rating</b>						
<b>Mezz. loans/second-lien/senior</b>						
<b>unsecured loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	65	68	71	73	76	76
1	57	60	63	65	68	68
2	50	53	55	57	59	59
3	42	45	47	49	51	51
4	18	18	18	18	18	18
5	8	8	8	8	8	8
<b>Subordinated loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	22	22	22	22	22	22
1	20	20	20	20	20	20
2	18	18	18	18	18	18
3	18	18	18	18	18	18
4	9	9	9	9	9	9
5	4	4	4	4	4	4

\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table IX: Group B European Recovery If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B & CCC
<b>CDO liability rating</b>						
<b>Mezz. loans/second-lien/senior</b>						
<b>unsecured loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	53	55	57	59	61	61
1	48	50	52	54	56	56
2	43	45	47	49	51	51
3	39	41	43	45	47	47
4	18	18	18	18	18	18
5	8	8	8	8	8	8
<b>Subordinated loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	22	22	22	22	22	22
1	20	20	20	20	20	20
2	18	18	18	18	18	18
3	18	18	18	18	18	18
4	9	9	9	9	9	9
5	4	4	4	4	4	4

\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table X: Group C European Recovery If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B & CCC
<b>CDO liability rating</b>						
<b>Mezz. loans/second-lien/senior unsecured loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	45	46	48	49	51	51
1	41	43	44	46	47	48
2	37	39	41	42	44	44
3	33	36	37	39	40	41
4	16	16	16	16	16	16
5	6	6	6	6	6	6
<b>Subordinated loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	20	20	20	20	20	20
1	17	17	17	17	17	17
2	15	15	15	15	15	15
3	15	15	15	15	15	15
4	8	8	8	8	8	8
5	3	3	3	3	3	3

\* As of the Closing Date.

In all recovery rate tables above, Note rating categories below “AAA” include rating subcategories (for example, the “AA” column also applies to Notes rated “AA+” and “AA-”).

“**S&P Unrated DIP Loan**” means a DIP Loan acquired by the Issuer that does not have a rating assigned by S&P and for which the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P (as specified in the definition of “DIP Loan”).

“**Sale Proceeds**” means all proceeds received (including any proceeds received with respect to any associated interest rate swap or security providing fixed annuity payments ) with respect to Collateral Obligations or other Pledged Obligations as a result of their sales or other dispositions less any reasonable expenses expended by the Servicer or the Trustee in connection with the sales or other dispositions, which shall be paid from such proceeds notwithstanding their characterization otherwise as Administrative Expenses.

“**Second Lien Loan**” means a Loan that (i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinated in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan other than a Senior Secured Loan with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such Loan, (ii) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest in or lien on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan, which specified collateral does not consist solely of common stock or shares issued by the obligor or any of its Affiliates or intangible assets and (iii) if such Loan does not have an S&P Recovery rate assigned as part of a credit estimate, so long as such credit estimate is in effect, then, solely for purposes of determining the S&P Recovery Rate for such Loan, in the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment (with such judgment being made in good faith by the Servicer at the time of such Loan's purchase), the specified collateral for such Loan has a value not less than the outstanding Principal Amount of all debt senior to such Loan plus the S&P Recovery Rate applicable to such Loan, which value may be derived from, among other things, the enterprise value of the issuer of such Loans (*provided* that the provisions of the clause (iii) may be amended at any time, subject to Rating Confirmation from S&P, or in order to conform to S&P's then-current criteria for such Loans).

**“Secondary Risk Counterparty”** means any obligor Domiciled other than in the United States, any Participating Institution, any Synthetic Security Counterparty and any Securities Lending Counterparty.

**“Secondary Risk Table”** means, with respect to Moody’s the table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty	Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
Aaa	20.0%	20.0%
Aa1	10.0%	10.0%
Aa2	10.0%	10.0%
Aa3	10.0%	10.0%
A1	5.0%	10.0%
A2 or below	0.0%	0.0%

With respect to S&P, the table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty	Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
AAA	20.0%	20.0%
AA+/AA/AA-	10.0%	20.0%
A+	5.0%	20.0%
A or below	0.0%	0.0%

If any Secondary Risk Counterparty’s long-term senior unsecured debt rating or short-term rating is on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody’s or S&P, then for the purposes of the table above, its rating by the Rating Agency putting its rating on credit watch shall be one rating notch lower for that Rating Agency.

**“Secured High-Yield Bond”** means a High-Yield Bond that is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**“Secured Loan”** means a Loan that is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**“Secured Parties”** means the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer and each Hedge Counterparty (and the Collateral Administrator and Preference Shares Paying Agent to the extent of Administrative Expenses payable to such parties as provided in the Indenture).

**“Securities Lending Collateral”** means Cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the relevant Securities Lending Agreement and that are pledged by a Securities Lending Counterparty as collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement.

**“Selected Collateral Quality Tests”** means Weighted Average Moody’s Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Life Test (after taking into consideration any applicable Maturity Extension), the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the Diversity Test.

**“Senior Secured High-Yield Bond”** means a Secured High-Yield Bond that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a first priority security interest in collateral that in the opinion of the Servicer has value at least equal to the amount of the High-Yield Bond.

**“Senior Secured Loan”** means a Secured Loan that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a valid and perfected first priority security interest in collateral that in the opinion of the Servicer has value at least equal to the amount of the Loan and that is not a DIP Loan.

**“Senior Unsecured High-Yield Bond”** means a High-Yield Bond that is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**“Senior Unsecured Loan”** means a Loan that is not a Senior Secured Loan and is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**“Servicing Agreement”** means the Servicing Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Servicer, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**“Spread Excess”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose (i) numerator is the product of (A) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date over the Minimum Weighted Average Spread specified in the applicable row of the Ratings Matrix and (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date and (ii) denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date. In computing the Spread Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Fixed Rate Excess were equal to zero.

**“Structured Finance Obligation”** means any obligation (other than the Notes or any other security or obligation issued by the Issuer):

(i) secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool of receivables or other assets of U.S. obligors, or obligors organized or incorporated in Moody’s Group I Countries, Moody’s Group II Countries, Moody’s Group III Countries or Tax Advantaged Jurisdictions, including portfolio credit default swaps and collateralized debt obligations, but excludes:

- (A) residential mortgage-backed securities;
- (B) collateralized debt obligations backed by Emerging Market Securities;
- (C) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by asset-backed securities;
- (D) market value collateralized debt obligations;
- (E) securities backed by “future flow” receivables;

- (F) securities backed by “trust preferred securities;”
- (G) net interest margin securitizations;
- (H) collateralized debt obligations a significant portion of which are backed by bonds; and
- (I) obligations secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool of receivables or other assets where the obligors with respect to such receivables or other assets are non-corporate credit risks; *provided* that, for the avoidance of doubt, collateralized loan obligations shall not be excluded by this clause (I);
- (ii) that has an S&P Rating;
- (iii) that has a rating and a Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate assigned by Moody’s; and
- (iv) whose ownership or disposition (without regard to the Issuer’s other activities) by the Issuer will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

In connection with the purchase of a Structured Finance Obligation, the Servicer shall obtain from Moody’s the applicable Moody’s Priority Category Recovery Rate.

For purposes of the Diversity Test, multiple Structured Finance Obligations from CDOs serviced by the same Servicer or multiple Structured Finance Obligations issued by the same master trust will be considered to be obligations of one issuer.

**“Subordinated High-Yield Bond”** means a Secured High-Yield Bond secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**“Subordinated Lien Loan”** means a Secured Loan (other than a Second Lien Loan) secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**“Subscription Agreement”** means a subscription agreement dated between a purchaser and the Issuer entered into on or before the Closing Date for the subscription of a specified number of Class D Notes or Preference Shares, as applicable.

**“Super Majority”** means, with respect to any Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**“Synthetic Security”** means any swap transaction, structured bond, credit linked note, or other derivative financial instrument providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a debt instrument (but excluding any such instrument relating directly to a basket or portfolio of debt instruments) or an index or indices (such as the “SAMI” index published by Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC) in connection with a basket or portfolio of debt instruments or other similar instruments entered into by the Issuer with a Synthetic Security Counterparty that has in the Servicer’s commercially reasonable judgment, equivalent expected loss characteristics (those characteristics, **“credit risk”**) to those of the related Reference Obligations (taking account of those considerations as they relate to the Synthetic Security Counterparty), if (i) it is either a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied, and (ii) the Reference Obligations thereof have a Market Value equal to at least 85% of the Principal Balance of the Reference Obligation at the time the Synthetic Security is entered into.

Each Synthetic Security that is a credit default swap the Reference Obligations of which are Loans shall require each such Reference Obligation to be denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars.

The maturity, interest rate, and other non-credit characteristics of a Synthetic Security may be different from the Reference Obligations to which the credit risk of the Synthetic Security relates.

No Synthetic Security shall require the Issuer to make any payment to the Synthetic Security Counterparty after its initial purchase other than any payments represented by the release of any cash collateral posted by the Issuer from the Collection Account to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of the posted cash collateral. Collateral may be posted only to a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account. No Synthetic Security shall result in the Issuer being a "buyer" of credit protection.

The term Synthetic Security shall not include any Structured Finance Obligation or any Participation, but the Reference Obligation of a Synthetic Security may be a Structured Finance Obligation.

Each Synthetic Security Agreement shall contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those contained in the Indenture.

The ownership or disposition of any Synthetic Security (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) must not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

Unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" under any proposed Synthetic Security must not provide that its transfer to the Issuer is subject to obtaining any consents and must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation and satisfy the Concentration Limitations under the Indenture, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event" and if the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security is a Senior Secured Loan then the "deliverable obligation" under the Synthetic Security must also be a Senior Secured Loan.

No Synthetic Security may provide for any event other than bankruptcy or a failure to pay as a "credit event."

No Synthetic Security may provide for termination by the Synthetic Security Counterparty at any time (i) after a declaration of acceleration of Maturity of the Notes has been made upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, unless such declaration and its consequences may no longer be rescinded and annulled in accordance with the Indenture and liquidation of the Collateral has begun or (ii) upon an Optional Redemption, unless the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date has passed and no notice of withdrawal has been issued.

For purposes of the Coverage Tests and the Retention Overcollateralization Test, unless the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied in respect of any proposed alternative treatment, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in the Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the

characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in the Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligation.

With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, for purposes of: (i) calculating compliance with the Diversity Test, the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test, and the Concentration Limitations (other than limits relating to payment characteristics and except for clauses 17 and 17(a) of the definition of “Concentration Limitations”), and all related definitions, and (ii) any other provision or definition of the Indenture involving a determination with respect to a Reference Obligation, the characteristics of such Reference Obligations shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each such Reference Obligation in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation. In addition, each Reference Obligation under such Synthetic Security shall be assigned a Moody’s Rating Factor equal to the sum of the Moody’s Rating Factor of (i) the related Reference Obligor, (ii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty of such Synthetic Security and (iii) the Synthetic Security Collateral of such Synthetic Security. In addition, the Moody’s Priority Category Rate in respect of a Synthetic Security referencing multiple Reference Obligations pursuant to this paragraph shall be the Moody’s Priority Category Rate as assigned by Moody’s to each Reference Obligation underlying such Synthetic Security. For the avoidance of doubt, Reference Obligations upon which a Synthetic Security is based as described in this paragraph must meet the definition of “Collateral Obligation” to the extent provided in this definition.

If the Rating Condition must be satisfied to execute the purchase of any Synthetic Security, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall give each applicable Rating Agency not less than five days’ prior notice of the purchase of or entry into any Synthetic Security.

**“Synthetic Security Agreement”** means the documentation governing any Synthetic Security.

**“Synthetic Security Collateral”** means, respect to any Synthetic Security, amounts posted to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account by the Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its obligations under the Synthetic Security, including (i) all Eligible Investments that mature no later than the Stated Maturity or (ii) floating rate credit card securitizations that are rated “Aaa” by Moody’s and “AAA” by S&P that mature no later than the Stated Maturity in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account that are purchased with Synthetic Security Collateral; *provided* that any amounts described in clause (ii) above shall be hedged by a guaranteed investment contract or a total return swap which shall be subject to Rating Confirmation by S&P.

**“Synthetic Security Counterparty”** means any entity required to make payments on a Synthetic Security to the extent that a reference obligor makes payments on a related Reference Obligation.

**“Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction”** means one of the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the Netherlands Antilles or the tax advantaged jurisdiction of the Channel Islands, or such other jurisdiction that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto; *provided* that any Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction that is the jurisdiction of organization of an obligor of a Collateral Obligation other than obligors that are special purpose vehicles or issuers of Structured Finance Obligations shall have a Moody’s foreign currency rating of at least “Aa2” and a S&P foreign currency rating of at least “AA-”.

**“Tax Event”** means an event that occurs if either:

(i) (A) one or more Collateral Obligations that were not subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them have become subject to withholding tax or the rate of withholding has increased on one or more Collateral Obligations that were subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them and (B) in any Due Period, the aggregate of the payments subject to withholding tax on new withholding tax obligations and the increase in payments subject to withholding tax on increased rate withholding tax obligations, in each case to the extent not “grossed-up” (on an after-tax basis) by the related obligor, represent 5% or more of Interest Proceeds for the Due Period; or

(ii) taxes, fees, assessments, or other similar charges are imposed on the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in an aggregate amount in any twelve-month period in excess of U.S.\$2,000,000, other than any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax with respect to any payment owing in respect of any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation or Collateral Obligation.

**“Treasury Regulations”** means regulations, including proposed or temporary regulations, promulgated under the Code. References herein to specific provisions of proposed or temporary regulations shall include analogous provisions of final Treasury Regulations or other successor Treasury Regulations.

**“UCC”** means the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the State of New York, and as amended from time to time.

**“Underlying Instrument”** means the loan agreement, indenture, credit agreement, or other agreement pursuant to which a Pledged Obligation has been issued or created and each other agreement that governs the terms of or secures the obligations represented by the Pledged Obligation or of which the holders of the Pledged Obligation are the beneficiaries.

**“Unfunded Amount”** means, with respect to any Revolving Loan or any Delayed Drawdown Loan at any time, the excess, if any, of (a) the Commitment Amount over (b) the Funded Amount thereof.

**“Unscheduled Principal Payments”** means any principal payments received with respect to a Collateral Obligation as a result of optional redemptions, exchange offers, tender offers, other payments or prepayments made at the option of the issuer thereof or that are otherwise not scheduled to be made thereunder.

**“Valuation Report”** means the accounting report, determined as of the close of business on each Determination Date, rendered in accordance with the terms of the Indenture.

**“Voting Record Date”** means, with respect to any vote by the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares in relation to the appointment or removal of the directors of the Issuer, (a) 15 days prior to the relevant shareholders meeting or (b) in the case of any vote by the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares exercised by written consent resolution, the date of such resolution.

**“Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon”** means, as of any Measurement Date, the rate obtained by:

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Fixed Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum rate at which it pays interest (other than, with respect to Collateral Obligations that are not PIK Securities, any interest that is not required to be paid in Cash and may be deferred), using only the effective after-tax interest rate determined by the Servicer on any Fixed Rate Obligation after taking into account any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction and any gross-up paid by the obligor);



(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);

(iii) dividing the sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations that are Fixed Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, adding to the sum the amount of any Spread Excess as of the Measurement Date, but only to the extent required to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test.

**“Weighted Average Life”** means, as of any Measurement Date the number obtained by (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying (A) the Average Life at that time of each Collateral Obligation by (B) the Principal Balance at that time of the Collateral Obligation and (ii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance at that time of all Collateral Obligations.

**“Weighted Average Moody’s Rating Factor”** means the summation of the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation (excluding Eligible Investments) by its respective Moody’s Rating Factor, dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) and rounding the result up to the nearest whole number.

**“Weighted Average Spread”** means, as of any Measurement Date, a rate obtained by:

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Floating Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum contract spread at which it pays interest (which (w) for PIK Securities for which interest has been deferred or capitalized, will be deemed to be zero, (x) for Collateral Obligations that would be PIK Securities but for the proviso in the definition thereof, will be deemed to be equal to the effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest applicable thereto (y) for any Revolving Loan or Delayed Draw Loan, will be the per annum contract spread for the Funded Amount thereof and the rate of the commitment fee and such other fees payable to the Issuer for any Unfunded Amount thereof and (z) for any synthetic letter of credit, will be the all-in rate (including any fees payable to the Issuer by the underlying obligor) minus the applicable LIBOR), determined with respect to any Floating Rate Obligation that does not bear interest based on a London interbank offered rate, by expressing the current interest rate on the Floating Rate Obligation as a spread above a three month London interbank offered rate calculated in a manner consistent with the calculation of LIBOR;

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);

(iii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to pass the Weighted Average Spread Test, adding to that sum the amount of Fixed Rate Excess as of the Measurement Date.

**“Workout Assets”** means a Loan, High-Yield Bond, or Qualified Equity Security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation that the Issuer does not advance any funds to purchase that does not qualify as a Collateral Obligation.

**“Written-Down Obligation”** means as of any date of determination, any Structured Finance Obligation as to which the Issuer or the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, has been notified by the issuer of the Structured Finance Obligation that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Structured Finance Obligation and all other Structured Finance Obligations secured by the same pool of collateral that rank *pari passu* with or senior in priority of payment to the Structured Finance Obligation exceeds the aggregate principal balance (including reserved interest or other amounts available for

overcollateralization) of all collateral securing the Structured Finance Obligation and such other *pari passu* and senior Structured Finance Obligations (excluding defaulted collateral).

“**Zero-Coupon Security**” means a security that, at the time of determination, does not make periodic payments of interest. A Zero-Coupon Security shall not include a security that is a PIK Security.

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39,000 Class I Preference Shares  
41,000 Class II Preference Shares

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### **OFFERING MEMORANDUM**

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## **EXHIBIT SSS**

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Issuer,

**WESTCHESTER CLO CORP.**

Co-Issuer,

and

**INVESTORS BANK & TRUST COMPANY**

Trustee

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**INDENTURE**

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INDENTURE, dated as of May 31, 2007, among WESTCHESTER CLO, LTD. (the "**Issuer**"), WESTCHESTER CLO CORP. (the "**Co-Issuer**") and INVESTORS BANK & TRUST COMPANY, as trustee (together with its permitted successors, the "**Trustee**").

#### PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

The Co-Issuers are duly authorized to execute and deliver this Indenture to provide for the Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes and the Issuer is duly authorized to execute and deliver this Indenture to provide for the Class E Notes, in each case issuable as provided in this Indenture. All covenants and agreements made by the Co-Issuers in this Indenture are for the benefit and security of the Secured Parties. The Co-Issuers are entering into this Indenture, and the Trustee is accepting the trusts created by this Indenture, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged.

All things necessary to make this Indenture a valid agreement of the Co-Issuers in accordance with the agreement's terms have been done.

#### GRANTING CLAUSES

The Issuer Grants to the Trustee, for the benefit and security of the Noteholders, the Trustee, the Servicer and each Hedge Counterparty (and the Collateral Administrator and Preference Shares Paying Agent to the extent of Administrative Expenses payable to such parties as provided hereunder) (collectively, the "**Secured Parties**"), all of its right, title, and interest in, to, and under, in each case, whether now owned or existing, or hereafter acquired or arising:

(a) the Collateral Obligations (listed, as of the Closing Date, in Schedule 1 to this Indenture and listed from time to time on such Schedule 1 as such Schedule 1 may be modified, amended and revised subsequent to the Closing Date by the Issuer) and all Workout Assets, including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles or supporting obligations (each as defined in the UCC) relating thereto, all payments made or to be made thereon or with respect thereto, and all Collateral Obligations and Workout Assets including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles (as defined in the UCC) relating thereto, which are delivered or credited to the Trustee, or for which a Security Entitlement is delivered or credited to the Trustee or which are credited to one or more of the Issuer Accounts on or after the Closing Date and all payments made or to be made thereon or with respect thereto;

(b) the Custodial Account, the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account and the Securities Lending Account (collectively, the "**Issuer Accounts**"), Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in the Issuer Accounts, and all income from funds in the Issuer Accounts;

(c) the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account (and, together with the Issuer Accounts, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account and the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the "**Accounts**") and assets included therein, subject to the terms of the related Synthetic Security (provided, however, that any such rights in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee (or Securities Intermediary) first to secure the Issuer's payment obligations to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty and second for the benefit of the Secured Parties);

(d) the Servicing Agreement, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Securities Lending Agreements and all Securities Lending Collateral and the Securities Lending Account, the

Hedge Agreements as set forth in Article 15 and all Collateral securing the Hedge Counterparty's obligations thereunder including, without limitation, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Collateral Administration Agreement to the extent of any rights of the Issuer therein;

(e) all Cash or money delivered to the Trustee (or its bailee);

(f) all securities, investments, investment property, instruments, money, general intangibles, chattel paper and agreements of any nature in which the Issuer has an interest (except for money, securities and investments in the Issuer's bank account in the Cayman Islands), including any part thereof which consists of general intangibles or supporting obligations (each as defined in the UCC) relating thereto; and

(g) all proceeds with respect to the foregoing;

(all of the property and assets described in foregoing clauses (a) through (g), but excluding the Excluded Property, the "*Collateral*"). Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Collateral shall not include any Excluded Property.

These Grants are not intended to and do not transfer any liability under the Collateral, which liabilities shall remain the sole obligation of the Issuer. These Grants are made, however, in trust as separate trusts, to secure the Notes. Except as provided in Article 13 and the priorities set forth in the Priority of Payments, the Notes are secured by the first grant equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction between any Note and any other Note because of difference in time of issuance or otherwise. The Grants are made to secure, in accordance with the priorities in the Priority of Payments and Article 13:

(i) the payment of all amounts due on the Notes equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction between any Note and any other Note because of difference in time of issuance or otherwise, in accordance with their terms;

(ii) the payment of all other sums payable under this Indenture (other than amounts payable in respect of the Preference Shares);

(iii) the payment of sums payable to any Hedge Counterparty under a Hedge Agreement;

(iv) the payment of sums payable to the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement; and

(v) compliance with this Indenture;

(collectively, the "*Secured Obligations*"), all as provided in this Indenture.

The Trustee acknowledges the Grants, accepts the trusts under this Indenture in accordance with this Indenture, and agrees to perform its duties in this Indenture in accordance with the provisions hereof.

## ARTICLE 1

### DEFINITIONS

#### Section 1.1. *Definitions.*

Except as otherwise specified in this Indenture or as the context may otherwise require, the following terms have the respective meanings provided below for all purposes of this Indenture.

**"A/B Exchange"**: An exchange of one security (the "**A Security**") for another security (the "**B Security**") of the same issuer or issuers, which security shall have substantially identical terms to the A Security except that one or more transfer restrictions applicable to the A Security are inapplicable to the B Security.

**"Accounts"**: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Accountants' Certificate"**: An agreed upon procedures report of a firm of Independent certified public accountants of international reputation appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8(a), which may be the firm of Independent accountants that performs certain accounting services for the Issuer or the Servicer.

**"Accrued Interest On Sale"**: Interest accrued on a Collateral Obligation at the time of sale or other disposition to the extent paid to the Issuer as part of the sale or other disposition price of the Collateral Obligation after deduction of any amount representing Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal"**: (i) interest accrued on or purchased with a Collateral Obligation as part of the price paid by the Issuer to acquire the Collateral Obligation less any amount of Interest Proceeds (applied as Interest Proceeds) applied by the Issuer to acquire the accrued interest at the time of purchase and (ii) interest accrued on a Loan that constitutes part of the price paid by the Issuer to repay loans made by the Pre-Closing Parties to finance the Issuer's pre-closing acquisition of such Loan.

**"Act"**: The meaning specified in Section 14.2.

**"Administration Agreement"**: The Administration Agreement, between the Issuer and the Administrator, providing for the administrative functions of the Issuer, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Administrative Expense Cap"**: An amount on any Payment Date equal to the excess of:

(a) the sum of 0.04% of the Maximum Amount on the related Determination Date plus \$150,000, *over*

(b) the sum of the amounts paid for Administrative Expenses in the twelve months preceding the current Payment Date.

**"Administrative Expenses"**: Amounts due or accrued representing

(i) tax preparation, filing, and registration fees or expenses and any other filing and registration fees owed by the Co-Issuers (including all filing, registration, and annual return fees payable to the Cayman Islands government and registered office fees);

(ii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Trustee (including all amounts under Section 6.8), the Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Collateral Administrator;

(iii) fees, indemnities and expenses of the Co-Issuers and of accountants, agents, and counsel for either of the Co-Issuers;

(iv) fees and expenses of the Rating Agencies in connection with any rating of the Collateral (requested by the Issuer or the Servicer) or the Notes owed by either Co-Issuer (including fees and expenses for ongoing surveillance, credit estimates and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies);

(v) expenses and indemnities (but not Servicing Fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;

(vi) fees, indemnities and expenses for third-party loan pricing services and accountants; and

(vii) amounts due (other than indemnities) to any other Person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for in this Indenture, including fees or expenses in connection with any Securities Lending Agreement.

**"Administrator"**: Maples Finance Limited.

**"Affected Class"**: Any Class of Notes that, as a result of the occurrence of a Tax Event, has received, or will receive less than the aggregate amount of principal and interest that would otherwise have been payable to such Class on the Distribution Date related to the Due Period with respect to which such Tax Event occurs.

**"Affiliate" or "Affiliated"**: With respect to a Person,

(i) any other Person who, directly or indirectly, is in control of, or controlled by, or is under common control with, the Person; or

(ii) any other Person who is a director, officer, or employee (A) of the Person, (B) of any subsidiary or parent company of the Person or (C) of any Person described in clause (i) above.

For the purposes of this definition, control of a Person shall mean the power, direct or indirect,

(A) to vote more than 50% of the securities having ordinary voting power for the election of directors of the Person; or

(B) to direct the corporate management and corporate policies of the Person whether by contract or otherwise (this does not include the Servicing Agreement unless it is amended expressly to provide those services).

For the purpose of this definition, the Administrator and its Affiliates are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Co-Issuers and the Co-Issuers are neither Affiliates of nor Affiliated with the Administrator, or any of their Affiliates.

**"Agent Members"**: Members of, or participants in, a Depository.

**"Aggregate Outstanding Amount":** When used with respect to any of the Notes as of any date, the aggregate principal amount of such Notes on that date. When used with respect to the Preference Shares as of any date, means the number of such Preference Shares Outstanding on such date.

Except as otherwise provided herein:

(a) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1-A Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(b) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1-B Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(c) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class B Notes at any time shall include any Defaulted Interest in respect thereof and (to the extent not included in any such Defaulted Interest) accrued interest on such Defaulted Interest;

(d) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class C Notes at any time shall include all Class C Deferred Interest attributed thereto;

(e) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class D Notes at any time shall include all Class D Deferred Interest attributed thereto; and

(f) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class E Notes at any time shall include all Class E Deferred Interest attributed thereto.

**"Aggregate Principal Balance":** When used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Principal Balances of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Principal Balance means the sum of the Principal Balances of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**"Aggregate Purchase Price Amount":** When used with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of all the Pledged Obligations. When used with respect to a portion of the Pledged Obligations, the term Aggregate Purchase Price Amount means the sum of the Purchase Price Amounts of that portion of the Pledged Obligations.

**"Allocable Principal Balance":** With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, the portion of the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security that is allocable to each Reference Obligation comprising such index or indices based upon allocating the Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security among such Reference Obligations in the same proportion as each Reference Obligation bears to the aggregate Principal Balance of such Synthetic Security.

**"Amendment Buy-Out":** The meaning specified in Section 9.6(a).

**"Amendment Buy-Out Option":** The meaning specified in Section 9.6(a).

**"Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price":** The purchase price payable by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser for Securities purchased in an Amendment Buy-Out, if any, in an amount equal

to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the date of purchase payable to the Non-Consenting Holder (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), plus any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment, plus in the case of the CDS/TRS Purchaser, the applicable CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount, and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since the Closing Date (and any amounts payable, if any, to the Non-Consenting Holder on the next succeeding Payment Date) would cause such Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); provided, however, that in any Amendment Buy-Out from and after the date on which the Non-Consenting Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price for such Preference Shares shall be zero.

**"Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser"**: The Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); provided that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Securities from Holders pursuant to Section 9.6, "Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchasers or any of their Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; provided, however, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser.

**"Applicable Discount Rate"**: For purposes of determining the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount with respect to the CDS/TRS Purchaser in connection with an Amendment Buy-Out, USD-LIBOR-BBA, as defined in the Annex to the 2000 ISDA Definitions as determined by the CDS/TRS Purchaser on the Business Day preceding the date of purchase of the applicable Notes from the CDS/TRS Purchaser in connection with such Amendment Buy-Out.

**"Applicable Issuers" or "Applicable Issuer"**: With respect to the Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes, each of the Co-Issuers. With respect to the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares, the Issuer only.

**"Applicable Note Interest Rate"**: With respect to the Notes of any Class, the Note Interest Rate with respect to such Class.

**"Applicable Percentage"**: The lesser of the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation and the S&P Recovery Rate applicable to the Collateral Obligation and the current S&P Rating of the Class A Notes.

**"Approved Credit Support Document"**: A security agreement in the form of the 1994 ISDA Credit Support Annex (ISDA Agreements Subject to New York Law Only), as modified by Paragraph 13 thereto.

**"Approved Pricing Service"**: Loan Pricing Corporation, Mark-It-Partners, Inc. or any other nationally recognized loan pricing service approved in writing by S&P.

**"Ask-Side Market Value"**: As of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any lent Collateral Obligation based upon the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment and based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations which are also Independent from the Servicer or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices could not be obtained, the higher of the ask-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations are also Independent from the

Servicer or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices could not be obtained, the average of the ask-side prices for the purchase of such Collateral Obligation determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer); provided that if the Ask-Side Market Value of any lent Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to the outstanding principal balance thereof.

**"Assigned Moody's Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Authenticating Agent"**: With respect to the Notes, the Trustee or the person designated by the Trustee to authenticate the Notes on behalf of the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.15.

**"Authorized Officer"**: With respect to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, any Officer or agent who is authorized to act for the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as applicable, in matters relating to, and binding on, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. With respect to the Servicer, any managing member, Officer, manager, employee, partner or agent of the Servicer who is authorized to act for the Servicer in matters relating to, and binding on, the Servicer with respect to the subject matter of the request, certificate, or order in question. With respect to the Trustee or any other bank or trust company acting as trustee of an express trust or as custodian, a Trust Officer. Each party may receive and accept a certification of the authority of any other party as conclusive evidence of the authority of any Person to act, and the certification may be considered as in full force and effect until receipt by the other party of written notice to the contrary.

**"Average Life"**: As of any Measurement Date with respect to any Collateral Obligation (other than any Defaulted Collateral Obligation), the quotient obtained by dividing:

- (i) the sum of the products of:
  - (A) the number of years (rounded to the nearest hundredth) from the Measurement Date to the respective dates of each successive scheduled payment of principal of the Collateral Obligation, and
  - (B) the respective amounts of the successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation, *by*
- (ii) the sum of all successive scheduled payments of principal of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Bank"**: Investors Bank & Trust Company, in its individual capacity and not as Trustee.

**"Bankruptcy Code"**: The U.S. Bankruptcy Code, Title 11 of the United States Code.

**"Bankruptcy Law"**: The Bankruptcy Code, Part V of the Companies Law (2004 Revision) of the Cayman Islands and the Bankruptcy Law (1997 Revision) of the Cayman Islands.

**"Beneficial Owner"**: Any person owning an interest in a Global Note as reflected on the books of the Depository or on the books of an Agent Member or on the books of an indirect participant for which an Agent Member acts as agent.

**"Benefit Plan Investor"**: Any (i) "employee benefit plan" within the meaning of Section 3(3) of ERISA, that is subject to Title I of ERISA, (ii) any "plan" described by Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code, or an entity whose underlying assets include the assets of any plan described in (i) or (ii) by reason of such plan's investment in such entity.

**"Board Resolution"**: With respect to the Issuer, a resolution of the board of directors of the Issuer and, with respect to the Co-Issuer, a resolution of the board of directors of the Co-Issuer.

**"Business Day"**: A day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in New York City and any other city in which the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee is located and, in the case of the final payment of principal of any Note, the place of presentation of the Note designated by the Trustee; provided, however, that, for purposes of determining LIBOR, "Business Day" must also be a day on which dealings in deposits in Dollars are transacted in the London interbank market. To the extent action is required of the Irish Paying Agent, Dublin, Ireland shall be considered in determining "Business Day" for purposes of determining when actions by the Irish Paying Agent are required.

**"Calculation Agent"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.16.

**"Caa1 Collateral Obligations"**: The Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have a Moody's Rating below "B3".

**"Cash"**: Such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for payment of all public and private debts.

**"CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations"**: The Collateral Obligations (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that on the relevant date have (i) a Moody's Rating below "B3" and/or (ii) an S&P Rating below "B-".

**"CCC+/Caa1 Excess Market Value Percentage"**: The percentage equivalent of a fraction, the numerator of which is the aggregate Market Value of CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations (in order of ascending Market Value Percentage, starting with the CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation with the lowest Market Value Percentage) with an aggregate Principal Balance equal to Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations and the denominator of which is an amount equal to the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations.

**"CDS/TRS Purchaser"**: Lehman Brothers Special Financing Inc. as a Holder or a beneficial owner of certain of the Notes at the Closing Date that has entered into either a credit default swap or a total return swap with respect to such Notes and has provided the Issuer and the Trustee with a written certification (which shall include wiring instructions for the CDS/TRS Purchaser) regarding its entry into such swap in a form reasonably acceptable to the Issuer (or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer).

**"CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount"**: With respect to the CDS/TRS Purchaser in connection with an Amendment Buy-Out, (i) on any Payment Date prior to the May 2011 Payment Date, an amount equal to the present value of the Fixed Amounts with respect to the CDS/TRS Purchaser and each Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period until the last Fixed Rate Calculation Period, discounting each Fixed Amount from the Payment Date following the end of each such Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period to the date of purchase of the applicable Notes at the Applicable Discount Rate, and (ii) on any Payment Date on and after the May 2011 Payment Date, zero; provided that, in the case of clause (i), the CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount shall be calculated by the Servicer and subject to the approval of the CDS/TRS Purchaser.

**"Certificate of Authentication"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.1.

**"Certificated Class E Note"**: The meaning set forth in Section 2.2(e).



**"Certificated Preference Share":** The meaning set forth in the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

**"Certificated Security (UCC)":** The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(4) of the UCC.

**"Class":** All of the Notes having the same priority and the same Stated Maturity and all of the Preference Shares.

**"Class A Allocation":** means, with respect to payments of principal of the Class A Notes, the application of proceeds sequentially, *first*, to the Class A-1-A Notes until the Class A-1-A have been fully redeemed, and, *second*, to the Class A-1-B Notes until the Class A-1-B Notes have been fully redeemed.

**"Class A Notes":** The Class A-1-A Notes and the Class A-1-B Notes.

**"Class A-1-A Notes":** The Class A-1-A Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class A-1-B Notes":** The Class A-1-B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class A/B Coverage Tests":** The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes and the Class B Notes.

**"Class B Notes":** The Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class C Coverage Tests":** The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class C Notes.

**"Class C Deferred Interest":** Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C Notes.

**"Class C Notes":** The Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class D Coverage Tests":** The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class D Notes.

**"Class D Deferred Interest":** Deferred Interest with respect to the Class D Notes.

**"Class D Notes":** The Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Issuer pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class E Coverage Tests":** The Overcollateralization Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class E Notes.

**"Class E Deferred Interest":** Deferred Interest with respect to the Class E Notes.

**"Class E Notes":** The Class E Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes issued by the Issuer pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

**"Class I Preference Shares":** The Class I Preference Shares issued by the Issuer pursuant to the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association and the resolutions of the Issuer's board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

**"Class II Preference Share Percentage":** For any Payment Date, a fraction, expressed as a percentage, the numerator of which is the number of Outstanding Class II Preference Shares on such Payment Date and the denominator of which is the total number of Outstanding Preference Shares on such Payment Date.

**"Class II Preference Share Portion":** For any Payment Date, 100% minus the Servicing Fee Portion for such Payment Date.

**"Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment":** For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Senior Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**"Class II Preference Share Special Payment":** Collectively, the Class II Preference Share Senior Special Payment, the Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment and the Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment.

**"Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account":** The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(j).

**"Class II Preference Share Subordinated Special Payment":** For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Subordinated Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**"Class II Preference Share Supplemental Special Payment":** For any Payment Date, an amount equal to the product of (a) the Supplemental Servicing Fee for such Payment Date and (b) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date.

**"Class II Preference Shares":** The Class II Preference Shares issued by the Issuer pursuant to the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association and the resolutions of the Issuer's board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

**"Class Scenario Loss Rate":** With respect to any Class of Notes rated by S&P, an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, consistent with S&P's rating of the Class of Notes on the Closing Date, determined by application of the S&P CDO Monitor.

**"Clearing Agency":** An organization registered as a "clearing agency" pursuant to Section 17A of the Exchange Act.

**"Clearing Corporation":** The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(5) of the UCC.

**"Clearing Corporation Security":** A "security" (as defined in Section 8-102(a)(15) of the UCC) that (i) is a debt or equity security and (ii) is in the custody of or maintained on the books of a Clearing Corporation or its nominee.

**"Clearstream"**: Clearstream Banking, société anonyme, a corporation organized under the laws of the Duchy of Luxembourg.

**"Closing Date"**: May 31, 2007.

**"Closing Date Expense Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(g).

**"Co-Issuer"**: The person named as such on the first page of this Indenture.

**"Co-Issuers"**: The Issuer and the Co-Issuer.

**"Code"**: The United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

**"Collateral"**: The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Collateral Acquisition Agreement"**: The agreement dated as of the Closing Date between the Issuer and the Servicer, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Collateral Administration Agreement"**: The agreement dated as of the Closing Date among the Issuer, the Servicer, and the Collateral Administrator, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Collateral Administrator"**: Investors Bank & Trust Company, in its capacity as collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement.

**"Collateral Assignment of Hedge Agreements"**: With respect to each Hedge Agreement, the assignment of all of the Issuer's interest in the Hedge Agreement to the Trustee and acknowledged by the Hedge Counterparty to create a security interest therein in favor of the Trustee.

**"Collateral Obligation"**: Any obligation or security that, when the Issuer commits to purchase (or otherwise acquire) the obligation or security, is a Loan, High-Yield Bond, Structured Finance Obligation, or Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that is a Loan, a Structured Finance Obligation or High-Yield Bond that is:

- (1) denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars and is not convertible by its obligor into any other currency;
- (2) an obligation of an obligor Domiciled in an Eligible Country;
- (3) an obligation that is eligible by its terms to be assigned to the Issuer and pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral;
- (4) not an exchangeable or convertible security;
- (5) not an equity security or a component of an equity security or a security that has a component that is an equity security (other than for avoidance of doubt, a pass-through trust certificate in a trust holding Collateral Obligations that is rated by a nationally-recognized credit rating agency);
- (6) not an obligation or security that has been called for redemption and is not an obligation or security that is the subject of an Offer other than a Permitted Offer or an exchange offer in which a security that is not registered under the Securities Act is

exchanged for (i) a security that has substantially identical terms (except for transfer restrictions) but is registered under the Securities Act or (ii) a security that would otherwise qualify for purchase under Article 12;

(7) an obligation that (a) has a Moody's Rating (including any estimated or confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored) and (b) has an S&P Rating (including any confidential rating which is in respect of the full obligation of the obligor and which is monitored), which S&P Rating does not have a "p", "pi", "q", "r" or "t" subscript unless S&P otherwise authorizes in writing;

(8) an obligation that is a Finance Lease (if it is a lease) and the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;

(9) (a) an obligation that is not a Current-Pay Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation and (b) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that has a Moody's Rating of "Caa1" or lower or an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower, an obligation for which the Servicer has certified in writing that such Collateral Obligation is not a Credit Risk Obligation;

(10) an obligation that (unless it is a High-Yield Bond) is not subordinated by its terms to other indebtedness for borrowed money of the applicable issuer; provided that for the avoidance of doubt, this clause shall not prohibit the inclusion as Collateral Obligations of Subordinated Lien Loans or Second Lien Loans;

(11) an obligation that (i) (unless it is a PIK Security) bears simple interest payable in cash no less frequently than annually at a fixed or floating rate that is paid on a periodic basis on an unleveraged basis and, in the case of a floating rate, computed on a benchmark interest rate plus or minus a spread, if any (which may vary under the terms of the obligation) and (ii) provides for a fixed amount of principal payable in cash according to a fixed schedule (which may include optional call dates) or at maturity (or a fixed notional amount in the case of Synthetic Securities);

(12) an obligation the payment or repayment of the principal, if any, of which is not an amount determined by reference to any formula or index or subject to any contingency under the terms thereof;

(13) an obligation the portion of which to be acquired (including through a Synthetic Security with respect to the Reference Obligation) does not represent, directly or indirectly, more than a 25% interest in the obligation;

(14) not an obligation with a maturity later than two years after the Stated Maturity of the Notes;

(15) an obligation upon which no payments are subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the obligor thereof or counterparty with respect thereto is required to make "gross-up" payments that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax on an after-tax basis (other than withholding taxes with respect to commitment fees, facility fees or other similar fees);

(16) not a Loan or Synthetic Security that would require the Issuer after its purchase of the Loan or Synthetic Security to advance any funds to the related borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty or permit the borrower or Synthetic Security Counterparty to require that any future advances be made except for:

(A) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the Issuer deposits into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, respectively, the maximum amount of any advances that may be required of the Issuer under the related Underlying Instrument (as provided in Section 10.3(b)), and

(B) any Synthetic Security if, simultaneously with its purchase of the Synthetic Security, the Issuer posts cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) the Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of any future advances;

(17) if such obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation that is a collateralized loan obligation, such obligation:

(A) has been assigned a rating by both Moody's and S&P;

(B) has a Moody's Rating of "Ba3" or higher and an S&P Rating of "BB-" or higher; and

(C) has not been placed on the watch list for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P;

(18) not a Loan that is an obligation of a debtor in possession or a trustee for a debtor in an insolvency proceeding other than a DIP Loan;

(19) with respect to an obligation that provides for the payment of interest at a floating rate, an obligation for which such floating rate is determined by reference to the U.S. Dollar prime rate or other base rate, London interbank offered rate or similar interbank offered rate, commercial deposit rate or any other index that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto;

(20) in the case of a Synthetic Security, the Synthetic Security is one for which the counterparty or issuer, as the case may be, has a short-term debt rating by Moody's of at least "P-1" or long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" and, if rated "A3" by Moody's, such rating is not on watch for downgrade, and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "AA-" or a short term debt rating by S&P of at least "A-1+";

(21) not an obligation that constitutes Margin Stock;

(22) not a Zero-Coupon Security;

(23) not an obligation that is currently deferring interest or paying interest "in kind" or otherwise has an interest "in kind" balance outstanding at the time of purchase, which interest is otherwise payable in cash, unless the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to the acquisition thereof;

(24) not a security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer;

(25) not an obligation the interest payments of which are scheduled to decrease (although interest payments may decrease due to unscheduled events such as a decrease of

the index relating to a Floating Rate Obligation, the change from a default rate of interest to a non-default rate of interest or an improvement in the obligor's financial condition); and

(26) not an obligation that will cause the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or the pool of assets to be required to be registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act.

Pursuant to the definition of "Synthetic Security," unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event."

**"Collateral Quality Tests":** The Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Life Test, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the S&P CDO Monitor Test.

**"Collection Account":** The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.2(a).

**"Commitment Amount":** With respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, the maximum aggregate outstanding principal amount (whether then funded or unfunded) of advances or other extensions of credit that the Issuer could be required to make to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments.

**"Commitment Reduction":** With respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, a permanent reduction (whether scheduled, mandatory, optional, or otherwise) in the related Commitment Amount.

**"Concentration Limitations":** The limit set forth below with respect to a particular type of Relevant Obligation (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) as a percentage of the Maximum Amount:

	Percentage of the Maximum Amount
(1) Senior Secured Loans and Eligible Investments	≥ 87.5%
(2) unsecured Loans	≤ 3.0%
(3) Subordinated Lien Loans and Second Lien Loans	≤ 10.0%
(4) Revolving Loans and the unfunded portion of Delayed Drawdown Loans	≤ 12.0%
(5) DIP Loans	≤ 5.0%
(a) except that with a Rating Confirmation, DIP Loans may constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 7.5%
(6) S&P Unrated DIP Loans	≤ 2.5%
(7) PIK Securities	≤ 3.0%
(8) High-Yield Bonds	≤ 7.5%

(9)	Structured Finance Obligations	$\leq 10.0\%$
(a)	except that Structured Finance Obligations serviced by the Servicer may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 2.5\%$
(b)	except that a single issuer together with any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties) of a Structured Finance Obligation may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 3.0\%$
(c)	except that Structured Finance Obligations that are (i) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by other collateralized debt obligations and (ii) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by one or more credit default swaps (i.e., "Synthetics CDOs") may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 3.0\%$
(10)	Structured Finance Obligations that are collateralized loan obligations	$\leq 7.5\%$
(11)	obligors Domiciled other than in the United States and Canada	$\leq 20.0\%$
(12)	obligors Domiciled in Canada or any single Moody's Group I Country	$\leq 10.0\%$
(13)	obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group II Country	$\leq 5.0\%$
(14)	obligors Domiciled in all Moody's Group II Countries in the aggregate	$\leq 10.0\%$
(15)	obligors Domiciled in any single Moody's Group III Country	$\leq 2.5\%$
(16)	obligors Domiciled in all Moody's Group III Countries in the aggregate	$\leq 5.0\%$
(17)	obligors organized in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction	$\leq 5.0\%$
(18)	same S&P Industry Classification	$\leq 8.0\%$
(a)	except that Relevant Obligations belonging to two S&P Industry Classifications may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 12.0\%$
(19)	single obligor and any of its Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties)	$\leq 1.5\%$
(a)	except that up to each of five individual obligors and any of their Affiliates (excluding Secondary Risk Counterparties and any obligor under a DIP Loan) may each constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 2.5\%$
(20)	Fixed Rate Obligations	$\leq 5.0\%$
(a)	except that with a Rating Confirmation from Moody's, Fixed Rate Obligations may constitute up to the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	$\leq 7.5\%$
(21)	Pay interest less frequently than quarterly but no less frequently than semi-annually	$\leq 7.5\%$
(22)	Pay interest less frequently than semi-annually but no less frequently than annually	$\leq 3.0\%$

(23) Synthetic Securities	≤ 20.0%
(a) except that Synthetic Securities that provide for settlement other than by physical delivery may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 5.0%
(b) except that Synthetic Securities that reference a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 5.0%
(24) Participations ( <u>provided</u> that no Relevant Obligations may be a Participation in a Participation)	≤ 20.0%
(25) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, in the aggregate may not exceed the percentage of the Maximum Amount specified in the right column	≤ 20.0%
(26) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, a single Secondary Risk Counterparty	≤ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Individual Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating*
(27) Relevant Obligations of which are (i) obligors Domiciled other than in the United States, (ii) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements, (iii) Participations and (iv) Synthetic Securities, entered into with, or issued by, all Secondary Risk Counterparties	≤ respective percentage in Secondary Risk Table under "Aggregate Counterparty Limit" for applicable rating**
(28) Deep Discount Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(29) CCC+/Caa1 and below Collateral Obligations	≤ 7.5%
(30) Long-Dated Collateral Obligations	≤ 2.0%
(31) Collateral Obligations lent under Securities Lending Agreements	≤ 15.0%
(32) Collateral Obligations providing for interest at a non-London interbank offered rate (excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, the unfunded amount of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan)	≤ 5.0%
(33) Collateral Obligations that are Loans that are part of a credit facility with a total global aggregate commitment amount of less than \$75,000,000	≤ 10.0%

\* Applicable long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P of such Secondary Risk Counterparty (using the limit for the lower of such ratings if different).

\*\* Long-term unsecured rating by Moody's or S&P at or below a level specified in the Secondary Risk Table (using the lower of such ratings for a Secondary Risk Counterparty, if different).

Subject to the rights in certain circumstances of the Servicer to determine otherwise as set out in Section 1.2(h), solely for the purpose of determining whether the Concentration Limitations



are met, Eligible Investments and Cash will be treated as Senior Secured Loans and Floating Rate Obligations.

**"Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares":** With respect to any Payment Date, a Holder of Preference Shares that has consented by delivering an irrevocable written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent to a distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds on such Payment Date.

**"Controlling Class":** The Class A-1-A Notes and the Class A-1-B Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class A-1-A Notes or Class A-1-B Notes are Outstanding; then the Class B Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class B Notes are Outstanding; then the Class C Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class C Notes are Outstanding; then the Class D Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class D Notes are Outstanding; and then the Class E Notes (voting together as a Class or group), so long as any Class E Notes are Outstanding.

**"Controlling Person":** The meaning specified in Section 2.6(c).

**"Corporate Trust Office":** The corporate trust office of the Trustee at which the Trustee performs its duties under this Indenture, currently having an address of 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code: EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116 telecopy no. (617) 351-4358, Attention: CDO Services Group, or any other address the Trustee designates from time to time by notice to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Issuer, and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Trustee.

**"Coverage Tests":** Collectively, the Class A/B Coverage Tests, the Class C Coverage Tests, the Class D Coverage Tests and the Class E Coverage Tests applicable as of any Measurement Date.

**"Credit Improved Obligation":** Any Collateral Obligation that (a) is sold pursuant to a Portfolio Improvement Exchange or (b) in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has improved in credit quality; provided that, in forming such judgment, a reduction in credit spread or an increase in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment; and provided, further, that, if a Credit Rating Event is in effect, such Collateral Obligation will be considered a Credit Improved Obligation only if in addition to the above:

- (i) the Collateral Obligation has been upgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing positive credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under this Indenture;
- (ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced a reduction in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such decrease) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Servicer (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's);
- (iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has increased by at least 1.00% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of

acquisition, as determined by the Servicer (provided that this subclause (iii)(x) will be deemed satisfied if Market Value increases to 1.01%), or (y) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more positive than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, plus 3.00%, over the same period; or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Improved Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Improved Obligation if:

- (i) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Improved Obligation; or
- (ii) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Improved Obligation.

**"Credit Rating Event"**: An event that is in effect if the rating by Moody's:

- (i) of the Class A-1-A Notes or the Class A-1-B Notes has been withdrawn or is one or more rating sub-categories below its Initial Rating; or
- (ii) of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes has been withdrawn or is two or more rating sub-categories below its respective Initial Rating.

For the purposes of this definition, any withdrawal or reduction in rating shall not be effective if after the withdrawal or reduction Moody's has upgraded the reduced or withdrawn rating to at least the Initial Rating in the case of the Class A-1-A Notes and the Class A-1-B Notes, or to only one subcategory below their Initial Rating in the case of the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**"Credit Risk Obligation"**: Any Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, has significantly declined in credit quality and has a significant risk, with a lapse of time, of becoming a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; provided that in forming such judgment, an increase in credit spread or a decrease in Market Value of such Collateral Obligation (whether as described in clauses (ii) or (iii) below or otherwise) may only be utilized as corroboration of other bases for such judgment.

So long as a Credit Rating Event is in effect, no Collateral Obligation shall be eligible to be a Credit Risk Obligation unless in addition to the above, as of the date of determination:

- (i) the Collateral Obligation has been downgraded or has been put on credit watch list with the potential for developing negative credit implications by either of the Rating Agencies since the date the Issuer first acquired the Collateral Obligation under this Indenture;
- (ii) such Collateral Obligation has experienced an increase in credit spread of (A) 0.25% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) less than or equal to 2.00%, (B) 0.375% or more (on an absolute rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 2.00% but less than or equal to 4.00% or (C) 0.50% or more (on an absolute

rather than a relative basis) in the case of a Collateral Obligation with a spread (prior to such increase) greater than 4.00%, in each case compared to the credit spread at the time such Collateral Obligation was acquired by the Issuer, determined by reference to an applicable index selected by the Servicer (such index selection subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's);

(iii) (x) in the case of a Loan, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has decreased by at least 2.50% from the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation as of its date of acquisition, as determined by the Servicer, and (y) in the case of a Bond, the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has changed since its date of acquisition by a percentage more negative, or less positive, as the case may be, than the percentage change in the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index, Bloomberg ticker H0A0, less 3.00%, over the same period; or

(iv) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class have voted to suspend the limitations on a Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation set forth in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) above, and for each subsequent downgrade by Moody's after a vote to suspend the limitations pursuant to this clause (iv) has occurred, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class must again vote to suspend the limitations on the Collateral Obligation being a Credit Risk Obligation for this clause (iv) to remain applicable.

A Synthetic Security shall be considered a Credit Risk Obligation if:

- (a) the Synthetic Security itself is a Credit Risk Obligation; or
- (b) the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security would, if it were a Collateral Obligation, be a Credit Risk Obligation.

**"Current-Pay Obligation":** A Collateral Obligation as to which:

- (i) an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to its obligor or as to which its obligor is rated "D" or "SD" by S&P or its obligor has previously been rated "CCC-" by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn;
- (ii) no default as to the payment of principal or interest with respect to the Collateral Obligation is then continuing and the Servicer has delivered to the Trustee an Officer's certificate to the effect that the Servicer expects that the obligor will make payments on the Collateral Obligation as they become due;
- (iii) (A) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is at least "Caa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 80% of its Principal Balance or (B) if the rating by Moody's of the Collateral Obligation is less than "Caa1" or is "Caa1" and on credit watch with negative implications, the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation is at least equal to 85% of its Principal Balance;
- (iv) if an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to the obligor of the Collateral Obligation, a bankruptcy court has authorized all payments of principal and interest payable on the Collateral Obligation; and
- (v) the Servicer has designated in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligation as a Current-Pay Obligation.

If the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations exceeds 5% of the Maximum Amount, all or a portion of one or more

Collateral Obligations that would otherwise be Current-Pay Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance equal to the amount of the excess shall not be Current-Pay Obligations (and will therefore be Defaulted Collateral Obligations). The Servicer shall designate in writing to the Trustee the Collateral Obligations that shall not be Current-Pay Obligations pursuant to the preceding sentence as the Collateral Obligations (or portions thereof) that have the lowest Market Value on any applicable date of determination.

The Servicer may, with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, by notice to the Issuer, the Trustee, and the Collateral Administrator, change the definition of "Current-Pay Obligation" or how Current-Pay Obligations are treated in this Indenture, subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency.

**"Current Portfolio"**: At any time, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations, Principal Proceeds held as Cash on deposit in the Collection Account, and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account that exists before the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or before the acquisition of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**"Custodial Account"**: The custodial account established in the name of the Trustee pursuant to Section 10.3(a).

**"Custodian"**: The meaning specified in the first sentence of Section 3.2(a) with respect to items of collateral referred to therein, and each entity with which an Account is maintained, as the context may require, each of which shall be a Securities Intermediary.

**"Deep Discount Obligation"**: Until the average Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation, as determined daily for any period of 30 consecutive days, equals or exceeds 90%, any Collateral Obligation acquired by the Issuer for a Purchase Price less than 85% of its Principal Balance. For such purpose, the Market Value Percentage of a Collateral Obligation on a day that is not a Business Day shall be deemed to be the Market Value Percentage of the Collateral Obligation on the immediately preceding Business Day.

**"Default"**: Any Event of Default or any occurrence that, with notice or the lapse of time or both, would become an Event of Default.

**"Defaulted Collateral Obligation"**: Any Collateral Obligation or other obligation included in the Collateral:

(i) as to which there has occurred and is continuing a default with respect to the payment of interest or principal with respect to such Collateral Obligation, without giving effect to any applicable grace period or waiver (provided that if the Servicer certifies to the Trustee in writing that such default is for non-credit related reasons, the related Collateral Obligation shall not be treated as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under this clause (i) unless and until such default has continued for a period of three (3) consecutive business days), but, in any case, only until such default has been cured;

(ii) the maturity of all or a portion of the principal amount of such Collateral Obligation has been accelerated as a consequence of a default (other than any payment default) under the instruments evidencing or relating to such Collateral Obligation; unless such default or event of default has been fully cured or waived and is no longer continuing and such acceleration has been rescinded;

(iii) with respect to which there has been effected any distressed exchange or other debt restructuring where the obligor has offered the holders thereof a new security or instrument or package of securities or instruments that, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, either (x) amounts to a diminished financial obligation or (y) has the sole purpose of enabling the obligor to avoid a default;

(iv) (1) that is *pari passu* with or subordinated to other indebtedness for borrowed money owing by its obligor ("**Other Indebtedness**"), (2) the obligor has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest (without regard to any applicable grace or notice period and without regard to any waiver of the default) on the Other Indebtedness, unless, in the case of a failure of the obligor to make required interest payments, the obligor has resumed current Cash payments of interest previously scheduled and unpaid on the Other Indebtedness and has paid in full any accrued interest due and payable thereon, in which case the Collateral Obligation shall cease to be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation and (3) the Servicer, provided that the related Collateral Obligation has not been downgraded after the default on such Other Indebtedness has occurred, determines (in its commercially reasonable judgment) that such Other Indebtedness is material;

(v) (other than a Current-Pay Obligation or a DIP Loan) as to which:

(A) an Insolvency Event has occurred with respect to its obligor,

(B) the obligation is rated "D", "SD", "C" or "CC" by S&P or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn, or has previously been rated "CCC-" or lower by S&P and the rating has been withdrawn, or

(C) the obligation is rated "D" by Moody's or was so rated immediately prior to such rating being withdrawn;

(vi) if the Collateral Obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation, it is rated "CC" or below by S&P, or it was rated "CC" or below by S&P but the rating has since been withdrawn, or it is rated "Ca" or below by Moody's, or it was rated "C" or below by Moody's but the rating has since been withdrawn;

(vii) that is a Participation that would, if the underlying Loan were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (v) above or with respect to which the Participating Institution has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Participation;

(viii) that is a Synthetic Security referencing a Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above or with respect to which the Synthetic Security Counterparty has defaulted in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Synthetic Security; provided, however, with respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time: (x) a determination whether the Reference Obligations upon which such Synthetic Security is based would, if such Reference Obligations were Collateral Obligations, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each of the Reference Obligations on which such Synthetic Security is based in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation and (y) the "Defaulted Collateral Obligation" for purposes of this clause (viii) shall be limited to the Allocable Principal Balance of

each Reference Obligation that would, if the Reference Obligation were a Collateral Obligation, be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation under any of clauses (i) through (vi) above;

- (ix) that is a Written-Down Obligation;
- (x) that is a DIP Loan as to which an order has been entered converting the debtor's chapter 11 case to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code; or
- (xi) that is declared to be a Defaulted Collateral Obligation by the Servicer.

Any Collateral Obligation that is classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall cease to be so classified if the Collateral Obligation, at any date thereafter,

- (1) would not otherwise be classified as a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this definition; and
- (2) otherwise meets the Eligibility Criteria as of that date.

If any portion of a Collateral Obligation has a maturity later than one year after the Stated Maturity of the Notes due to a change in the payment schedule of the Collateral Obligation occurring after its acquisition by the Issuer, that portion of the Collateral Obligation shall be considered a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**"Defaulted Hedge Termination Payment"**: Any termination payment required to be made by the Issuer to a Hedge Counterparty pursuant to a Hedge Agreement upon a termination of the Hedge Agreement in respect of which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**"Defaulted Interest"**: Any interest payable in respect of any Class of Notes that is not punctually paid or duly provided for on the applicable Payment Date or at Stated Maturity.

**"Defaulted Interest Charge"**: To the extent lawful, interest on any Defaulted Interest at the Default Interest Rate.

**"Default Interest Rate"**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate equal to the Note Interest Rate payable on the Notes of the Class.

**"Deferred Interest"**: With respect to any specified Class of Deferred Interest Notes, the meaning specified in Section 2.8(a).

**"Deferred Interest Notes"**: The Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**"Deficiency Amount"**: The meaning specified in Section 16.3(a).

**"Deficiency Notice Date"**: The meaning specified in Section 16.3(a).

**"Definitive Notes"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.11(b).

**"Delayed Drawdown Loan"**: A Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation that

- (i) requires the Issuer to make one or more future advances to the borrower under its Underlying Instruments,

(ii) specifies a maximum amount that can be borrowed on one or more fixed borrowing dates, and

(iii) does not permit the re-borrowing of any amount previously repaid.

A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Delayed Drawdown Loan for so long as its unused commitment amount is greater than zero and for purposes of the Concentration Limitations only unfunded portions will count as Delayed Drawdown Loans.

**"Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(b).

**"Deliver" or "Delivered" or "Delivery"**: The taking of the following steps:

(i) in the case of each Certificated Security (UCC) (other than a Clearing Corporation Security) or Instrument,

(A) causing the delivery of such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument to the Custodian registered in the name of the Custodian or endorsed, by an effective endorsement, to the Custodian or in blank,

(B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument is credited to the applicable Account, and

(C) causing the Custodian to maintain continuous possession of such Certificated Security (UCC) or Instrument;

(ii) in the case of each Uncertificated Security (other than a Clearing Corporation Security),

(A) causing such Uncertificated Security to be continuously registered on the books of the issuer thereof to the Custodian, and

(B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Uncertificated Security is credited to the applicable Account;

(iii) in the case of each Clearing Corporation Security,

(A) causing the relevant Clearing Corporation to credit such Clearing Corporation Security to the securities account of the Custodian, and

(B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate by on its books and records that such Clearing Corporation Security is credited to the applicable Account;

(iv) in the case of each security issued or guaranteed by the United States of America or agency or instrumentality thereof and that is maintained in book-entry records of a Federal Reserve Bank ("**FRB**") (each such security, a "**Government Security**"),

(A) causing the creation of a Security Entitlement to such Government Security by the credit of such Government Security to the securities account of the Custodian at such FRB, and

(B) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Government Security is credited to the applicable Account;

(v) in the case of each Security Entitlement not governed by clauses (i) through (iv) above,

(A) causing a Securities Intermediary (x) to indicate on its books and records that the underlying Financial Asset has been credited to be the Custodian's securities account, (y) to receive a Financial Asset from a Securities Intermediary or acquiring the underlying Financial Asset for a Securities Intermediary, and in either case, accepting it for credit to the Custodian's securities account or (z) to become obligated under other law, regulation or rule to credit the underlying Financial Asset to a Security Intermediary's securities account,

(B) causing such Securities Intermediary to make entries on its books and records continuously identifying such Security Entitlement as belonging to the Custodian and continuously indicating on its books and records that such Security Entitlement is credited to the Custodian's securities account, and

(C) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such Security Entitlement (or all rights and property of the Custodian representing such Security Entitlement) is credited to the applicable Account;

(vi) in the case of cash or money,

(A) causing the delivery of such cash or money to the Custodian,

(B) causing the Custodian to treat such cash or money as a Financial Asset maintained by such Custodian for credit to the applicable Account in accordance with the provisions of Article 8 of the UCC, and

(C) causing the Custodian to continuously indicate on its books and records that such cash or money is credited to the applicable Account; and

(vii) in the case of each general intangible (including any Participation in which the Participation is not represented by an Instrument),

(A) causing the filing of a Financing Statement in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of the District of Columbia, Washington, DC, and

(B) causing the registration of this Indenture in the Register of Mortgages of the Issuer at the Issuer's registered office in the Cayman Islands;

in addition, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will obtain any and all consents required by the underlying agreements relating to any such general intangibles for the transfer of ownership to the Issuer and the pledge hereunder (except to the extent that the requirement for such consent is rendered ineffective under Section 9-406 of the UCC).

In addition to the methods specified above, any Collateral may be delivered in accordance with any other method specified in an Opinion of Counsel delivered to the Trustee as sufficient to establish a first priority perfected security (subject to customary exceptions and qualifications) interest therein.



**"Depository" or "DTC":** The Depository Trust Company and its nominees.

**"Determination Date":** The last day of any Due Period.

**"DIP Loan":** Any Loan:

(i) that has a rating assigned by Moody's (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by Moody's, the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by Moody's within five Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer) and a rating assigned by S&P (or if the Loan does not have a rating assigned by S&P, the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P within two Business Days of the date the Loan is acquired by the Issuer);

(ii) that is an obligation of a debtor in possession as described in Section 1107 of the Bankruptcy Code or a trustee (if appointment of a trustee has been ordered pursuant to Section 1104 of the Bankruptcy Code) (a "**Debtor**") organized under the laws of the United States or any state of the United States; and

(iii) the terms of which have been approved by a final order of the United States Bankruptcy Court, United States District Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, the enforceability of which order is not subject to any pending contested matter or proceeding (as those terms are defined in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure) and which order provides that:

(A) the Loan is secured by liens on the Debtor's otherwise unencumbered assets pursuant to Section 364(c)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code;

(B) the Loan is secured by liens of equal or senior priority on property of the Debtor's estate that is otherwise subject to a lien pursuant to Section 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code;

(C) the Loan is fully secured (based on a current valuation or appraisal report) by junior liens on the Debtor's encumbered assets; or

(D) if any portion of the Loan is unsecured, the repayment of the Loan retains priority over all other administrative expenses pursuant to Section 364(c)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code (and in the case of this clause (D), before the acquisition of the Loan, the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency).

**"Discount Note":** Any Note that is treated as being issued with "original issue discount" within the meaning of Section 1271 through 1275 of the Code and Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.

**"Diversity Score":** A single number that indicates collateral concentration in terms of both issuer and industry concentration, calculated as set forth in Schedule 4 to this Indenture.

**"Diversity Test":** A test that will be satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Diversity Score equals or exceeds the Minimum Diversity Score. For the purposes of calculating the Diversity Test, any Structured Finance Obligation that is (i) a collateralized loan obligation, (ii) any Synthetic Security with respect to which the Reference Obligation is a collateralized loan obligation or (iii) any Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time will be disregarded.

**"Dollar"** or **"U.S. Dollar"** or **"U.S.\$"**: A dollar or other equivalent unit in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for all debts, public and private.

**"Domicile"** or **"Domiciled"**: With respect to each Collateral Obligation, (i) the jurisdiction of incorporation, organization or creation of the related obligor or (ii) in the case of a Collateral Obligation that would otherwise be considered to be domiciled pursuant to clause (i) in a Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction, the jurisdiction in which, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the related obligor conducts substantially all of its business operations and in which the assets primarily responsible for generating its revenues are located.

**"Due Date"**: Each date on which any payment is due on a Pledged Obligation in accordance with its terms.

**"Due Period"**: With respect to any Payment Date, for all purposes other than payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements, the period from the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date, from the Closing Date) up to but excluding the Business Day after the eighth Business Day before the Payment Date (or in the case of the final Payment Date or any Payment Date that is a Redemption Date, through the Business Day before the Payment Date and for payments and receipts under Hedge Agreements the period from the day after the previous Payment Date (or in the case of the first Payment Date from the Closing Date) through the Payment Date).

**"Eligibility Criteria"**: The meaning specified in Section 12.2(b).

**"Eligible Collateral"**: (i) Cash, (ii) U.S. Treasury obligations, (iii) U.S. agency obligations or (iv) commercial paper obligations rated at least "P-1" by Moody's (and not on watch for downgrade) and "A-1+" by S&P, in each case to collateralize fully on a mark-to-market basis the obligations of a Hedge Counterparty under the related Hedge Agreement.

**"Eligible Country"**: The United States, Canada and any country classified by Moody's as a Moody's Group I Country, Moody's Group II Country or Moody's Group III Country and, in each case, has an S&P foreign currency rating of at least "AA" and a Moody's foreign currency rating of at least "Aa2".

**"Eligible Equity Security"**: An equity security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation by, or on behalf of, the Issuer that (i) is publicly traded on an Established Securities Market or (ii) the Market Value of which is higher than the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation with respect to which such equity security has been acquired by the Issuer.

**"Eligible Investments"**: Any Dollar-denominated obligation or asset that, when it is pledged by the Issuer to the Trustee under this Indenture, is one or more of the following:

- (a) Cash;
- (b) direct Registered obligations of, and Registered obligations the timely payment of principal and interest on which is fully and expressly guaranteed by, the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States the obligations of which are expressly backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, which in each case are not zero coupon securities;

(c) demand and time deposits in, trust accounts, certificates of deposit payable within 91 days of issuance of, bankers' acceptances payable within 91 days of issuance issued by, or Federal funds sold by any depository institution or trust company incorporated under the laws of the United States or any state thereof and subject to supervision and examination by Federal and/or state banking authorities so long as the commercial paper and/or the debt obligations of such depository institution or trust company (or, in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or debt obligations of such holding company), at the time of such acquisition or contractual commitment providing for such acquisition and throughout the term thereof, have a credit rating of not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade, or "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P in the case of commercial paper and short-term debt obligations; provided that in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than "AA-" by S&P and "Aa3" by Moody's and a short-term rating of "A-1+" by S&P and "P-1" by Moody's, and if so rated, is not on watch for downgrade;

(d) commercial paper or other short-term obligations with a maturity of not more than 183 days from the date of issuance and having at the time of such acquisition a credit rating of at least "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P; provided that, in any case, the issuer thereof must have at the time of such acquisition a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's and "AA-" by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(e) unleveraged repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clause (b) above entered into with a U.S. federal or state depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (c) above or entered into with a corporation (acting as principal) whose long-term credit rating is not less than "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P and in each case are not on watch for downgrade or whose short-term credit rating is "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof; provided that, if such repurchase obligation has a maturity of longer than 91 days, the counterparty thereto must also have at the time of such acquisition and throughout the term thereof a long-term credit rating of not less than "Aa2" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, and if so rated, such rating is not on watch for downgrade;

(f) any money market fund or similar vehicle having at the time of acquisition and throughout the term thereof a credit rating of "MR1+" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P; including any fund for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee serves as an investment adviser, administrator, shareholder servicing agent, custodian or subcustodian, notwithstanding that (A) the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses from such funds for services rendered (provided that such charges, fees and expenses are on terms consistent with terms negotiated at arm's length) and (B) the Trustee charges and collects fees and expenses for services rendered, pursuant to this Indenture;

(g) a guaranteed reinvestment agreement from a bank (if treated as a deposit by such bank), insurance company or other corporation or entity organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof (if treated as debt by such insurance company or other corporation or entity), providing for periodic payments thereunder during each Due Period; provided that each such agreement provides that it is terminable by the purchaser, without premium or penalty, in the event that the rating assigned to such agreement by either Moody's or S&P is at any time lower than the then current ratings assigned to the Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes; provided, further, that, at the time of acquisition and

throughout the term thereof, the issuer of such agreement has a senior unsecured long-term debt rating, issuer rating or counterparty rating of at least "Aaa" by Moody's, a short-term debt rating of "P-1" by Moody's (and not on watch for downgrade), a short-term debt rating of at least "A-1+" by S&P and a long-term debt rating of at least "AAA" by S&P (and not on watch for downgrade); and

(h) such other obligations or assets for which Rating Confirmation has been received;

and, in each case, with a stated maturity (giving effect to any applicable grace period) no later than the Business Day before the Payment Date next succeeding the date of acquisition.

Eligible Investments on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account must have a stated maturity no later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase.

Eligible Investments may not include:

- (1) any interest-only security, any security purchased at a price in excess of 100% of its par value, any mortgage-backed security or any security whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer;
- (2) any security whose rating assigned by S&P includes the subscript "r", "t", "p", "pi" or "q";
- (3) any floating rate security whose interest rate is inversely or otherwise not proportionately related to an interest rate index or is calculated as other than the sum of an interest rate index plus a spread (which spread may be zero);
- (4) any security that is subject to an exchange or tender offer; or
- (5) any security that has payments subject to foreign or United States withholding tax.

Eligible Investments may include Eligible Investments for which the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Trustee is the issuer or depository institution or provides services. Eligible Investments may not include obligations principally secured by real property.

**"Emerging Market Security":** A security or obligation issued by a sovereign or non-sovereign issuer located in a country (excluding the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Netherlands Antilles, and the Channel Islands):

- (i) that is in Latin America, Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, or the Caribbean, or
- (ii) the long-term foreign currency debt obligations of which are rated below "Aa2" or "Aa2" and on credit watch with negative implications by Moody's or the foreign currency issuer credit rating of which is below "AA" by S&P.

**"ERISA":** The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended.

**"Established Securities Market":** Any national securities exchange registered under Section 6 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or exempted from registration because of the limited volume of transaction; any foreign securities exchange that, under the laws of the jurisdiction

where it is organized, satisfies regulatory requirements that are analogous to the regulatory requirements imposed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; any regional or local exchange; and any interdealer quotation system that regularly disseminates firm buy or sell quotations by identified brokers or dealers, by electronic means or otherwise.

**"Euroclear"**: Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear system.

**"Event of Default"**: The meaning specified in Section 5.1.

**"Excel Default Model Input File"**: An electronic spreadsheet file in Microsoft excel format to be provided to S&P, which file shall include the balance of Cash and Eligible Investments in each account and the following information (to the extent such information is not confidential) with respect to each Collateral Obligation:

(a) the name and country of domicile of the issuer thereof and the particular obligation or security held by the Issuer,

(b) the CUSIP or other applicable identification number associated with such Collateral Obligation,

(c) the par value of such Collateral Obligation,

(d) the type of obligation or security (including, by way of example, whether such Collateral Obligation is a bond, loan or asset-backed security), using such abbreviations as may be selected by the Trustee,

(e) a description of the index or other applicable benchmark upon which the interest payable on such Collateral Obligation is based (including, by way of example, fixed rate, step-up rate, zero coupon and LIBOR),

(f) the coupon (in the case of a Collateral Obligation which bears interest at a fixed rate) or the spread over the applicable index (in the case of a Collateral Obligation which bears interest at a floating rate),

(g) the S&P Industry Classification for such Collateral Obligation,

(h) the stated maturity date of such Collateral Obligation,

(i) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation or the issuer thereof, as applicable,

(j) the applicable S&P Recovery Rate, and

(k) such other information as the Trustee may determine to include in such file.

**"Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations"**: The Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations in excess of 7.5% of the Maximum Amount on the relevant Determination Date.

**"Exchange Act"**: The United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

**"Excluded Property"**: (i) U.S.\$1,000 (attributable to the issue and allotment of the Issuer Ordinary Shares) and a U.S.\$1,000 transaction fee paid to the Issuer, the bank account in which those amounts are credited in the Cayman Islands and any interest earned on those amounts, (ii) any

amounts credited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account and the Preference Share Distribution Account from time to time and (iii) any Margin Stock.

**"Expense Reimbursement Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(c).

**"Extended Replacement Period End Date"**: If an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Replacement Period End Date (or, in the case of the first Extension pursuant to Section 2.4, the Payment Date in August 2018); provided that the "Extended Replacement Period End Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in August, 2030.

**"Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date"**: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, August 1, 2026); provided that the "Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in August, 2038.

**"Extended Stated Maturity Date"**: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Stated Maturity Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Stated Maturity Date, the Payment Date in August, 2026); provided that the "Extended Stated Maturity Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in August, 2038.

**"Extended Weighted Average Life Date"**: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Weighted Average Life Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Weighted Average Life Date, August 1, 2021); provided that the "Extended Weighted Average Life Date" will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in August, 2033.

**"Extension"**: An extension of the Replacement Period, the Stated Maturity of the Notes and the Weighted Average Life Test pursuant to Section 2.4.

**"Extension Bonus Payment"**: With respect to each Maturity Extension, a single payment to each applicable beneficial owner set forth in Section 2.4(g), in an amount equal to (1) in the case of the Class A-1-A Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (2) in the case of the Class A-1-B Notes 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (3) in the case of the Class B Notes 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (4) in the case of the Class C Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date, (5) in the case of the Class D Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date and (6) in the case of the Class E Notes, 0.25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof held by such beneficial owner as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

**"Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification"**: With respect to each Maturity Extension and each beneficial owner of Notes other than Extension Sale Securities, the written certification by such beneficial owner acceptable to the Issuer to the effect that it held Notes other than Extension Sale Securities on the applicable Extension Effective Date, including the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof in the case of the Notes and wire transfer instructions for the Extension Bonus Payment and any required documentation thereunder.

**"Extension Conditions":** The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Determination Date":** The 8<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to each Extension Effective Date.

**"Extension Effective Date":** If an Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extension Effective Date (or, in the case of the first Extension Effective Date, the Payment Date in May 2012).

**"Extension Notice":** The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Purchase Price":** The purchase price payable by the Extension Qualifying Purchasers for Extension Sale Securities in connection with each Maturity Extension, if any, in an amount equal to (i) in the case of the Notes, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including Deferred Interest, if any) as of the applicable Extension Effective Date (giving effect to any amounts paid to the Holder on such date), and (ii) in the case of the Preference Shares, an amount that, when taken together with all payments and distributions made in respect of such Preference Shares since the Closing Date would cause such Preference Shares to have received (as of the date of purchase thereof) a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0% (assuming such purchase date was a Payment Date); provided, however, that if the applicable Extension Effective Date is on or after the date on which such Holders have received a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return equal to or in excess of 12.0%, the applicable Extension Purchase Price for such Preference Shares shall be zero.

**"Extension Qualifying Purchasers":** The Servicer (or any of its Affiliates acting as principal or agent); provided that in the event that the Servicer elects not to purchase Extension Sale Securities from Holders pursuant to the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.4(c), "Extension Qualifying Purchasers" shall mean one or more qualifying purchasers (which may include the Initial Purchasers or any of their Affiliates acting as principal or agent) designated by the Servicer; provided, however, none of the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any duty to act as an Extension Qualifying Purchaser.

**"Extension Sale Notice":** The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Sale Notice Period":** The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Extension Sale Securities":** The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Face Amount":** With respect to any Preference Share, the amount set forth therein as the "face amount" thereof, which "face amount" shall be \$1,000 per Preference Share.

**"Finance Lease":** A lease agreement or other agreement entered into in connection with and evidencing a Leasing Finance Transaction.

**"Financial Asset":** The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(9) of the UCC.

**"Financing Statements":** Financing statements relating to the Collateral naming the Issuer as debtor and the Trustee on behalf of the Secured Parties as secured party.

**"Fixed Amount":** With respect to the CDS/TRS Purchaser and each applicable Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period, the product of (i) the applicable Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Amount with respect to the CDS/TRS Purchaser, (ii) the applicable Fixed Rate with respect to the CDS/TRS

Purchaser and (iii) a fraction the numerator of which is the actual number of days in such Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period and the denominator of which is 360.

**"Fixed Rate":** With respect to the CDS/TRS Purchaser, the spread over LIBOR of the applicable Note Interest Rate for the Class of Notes held by the CDS/TRS Purchaser with respect to which the CDS/TRS Purchaser has entered into a credit default swap or a total return swap, as the case may be.

**"Fixed Rate Excess":** As of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose numerator is the product of:

- (i) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date over the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test; and
- (ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date,

and whose denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Fixed Rate Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Spread Excess were equal to zero.

**"Fixed Rate Obligation":** Any Collateral Obligation that bears interest at a fixed rate.

**"Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Amount":** With respect to the CDS/TRS Purchaser for purposes of calculating the applicable CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes held by the CDS/TRS Purchaser as of the date of purchase of such Notes in an Amendment Buy-Out (in each case, after giving effect to any principal amounts paid to the CDS/TRS Purchaser on such date).

**"Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period":** With respect to the CDS/TRS Purchaser for purposes of calculating the applicable CDS/TRS Termination Payment Amount, initially, the period from and including the date of purchase of such Notes in an Amendment Buy-Out to but excluding the immediately succeeding Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date; provided that the last Fixed Rate Payor Calculation Period shall end on the May 2011 Payment Date.

**"Floating Rate Notes":** The Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

**"Floating Rate Obligation":** Any Collateral Obligation that bears interest based on a floating rate index.



**"Form-Approved Synthetic Security":** A Synthetic Security:

- (i) (A) each of the Reference Obligations of which satisfy the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and could be purchased by the Issuer without any required action by the Rating Agencies, without satisfaction of the Rating Condition or which the Rating Agencies have otherwise approved; or
- (B) each of the Reference Obligations of which would satisfy clause (A) above but for the currency in which the Reference Obligation is payable and the Synthetic Security is payable in Dollars, does not provide for physical settlement, and does not expose the Issuer to Dollar currency risk;
- (ii) the Synthetic Security Agreement of which conforms (but for the amount and timing of periodic payments, the name of the Reference Obligation, the notional amount, the effective date, the termination date, and other similar necessary changes) to a form that has been expressly identified and approved in writing in connection with a request under this Indenture by Moody's and S&P;
- (iii) a copy of the Synthetic Security Agreement of which has been delivered to the Holders of the Class A-1-A Notes and the Class A-1-B Notes by the Trustee at the expense of the Co-Issuers and upon being furnished with a copy of the same by the Servicer; and
- (iv) that is with a counterparty with respect to which the Rating Condition has been satisfied by each of Moody's and S&P prior to the acquisition of any such Form-Approved Synthetic Security, and such approval has not been withdrawn.

Moody's or S&P may at any time, by notice to the Servicer, withdraw its approval of any such form. A withdrawal of approval shall have no effect on any Synthetic Security acquired, entered into, or committed to before the date on which the Servicer receives the notice of withdrawal.

**"FSA":** The meaning specified in Section 14.3(d).

**"Funded Amount":** With respect to any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan at any time, the aggregate principal amount of advances or other extensions of credit made thereunder by the Issuer that are outstanding and have not been repaid at such time.

**"GAAP":** The meaning specified in Section 6.3(j).

**"Global Notes":** Any Regulation S Global Notes or Rule 144A Global Notes.

**"Grant":** To grant, bargain, sell, warrant, alienate, remise, demise, release, convey, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge, create, and grant a security interest in and right of setoff against, deposit, set over, and confirm. A Grant of the Pledged Obligations, or of any other instrument, shall include all rights, powers, and options of the granting party thereunder, including the immediate continuing right to claim for, collect, receive, and receipt for principal and interest payments in respect of the Pledged Obligations, and all other monies payable thereunder, to give and receive notices and other communications, to make waivers or other agreements, to exercise all rights and options, to bring Proceedings in the name of the granting party or otherwise, and generally to do and receive anything that the granting party is or may be entitled to do or receive thereunder or with respect thereto.

**"Hedge Agreements":** Collectively, all interest rate cap or interest rate swap agreements between the Issuer and any Hedge Counterparty, and any replacement agreement entered into pursuant to Section 15.2.

**"Hedge Counterparty":** Any counterparty, to the extent that when the Issuer enters into any Hedge Agreement with such counterparty, such counterparty satisfies the requirements of Section 15.2(b) (subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency).

**"Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account":** The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(d).

**"Hedge Termination Receipt":** Any termination payment paid by the Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer upon any early termination of a Hedge Agreement with respect to which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole Defaulting Party or Affected Party (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements).

**"HFP":** Highland Financial Partners, L.P., an Affiliate of the Servicer.

**"High-Yield Bond":** Any debt security, other than a Loan or a Structured Finance Obligation, that is either Registered or, if not Registered, (i) it is issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States, (ii) the payments on it are not subject to United States withholding tax and (iii) it is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**"Holder":** Of any Note, the person whose name appears on the Indenture Register as the registered holder of the Note; and of any Preference Share, the person whose name appears in the Preference Share register related thereto as the registered holder of such Preference Share.

**"Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice":** A notice substantially in the form of Exhibit G-2.

**"Indenture":** This instrument as originally executed and, if from time to time supplemented or amended by one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture entered into pursuant to this Indenture, as so supplemented or amended.

**"Indenture Register":** The meaning specified in Section 2.6(a).

**"Indenture Registrar":** The meaning specified in Section 2.6(a).

**"Independent":** As to any person, any other person (including, in the case of an accountant or lawyer, a firm of accountants or lawyers, and any member of the firm, or an investment bank and any member of the bank) who

(i) does not have and is not committed to acquire any material direct or any material indirect financial interest in the person or in any Affiliate of the person, and

(ii) is not connected with the person as an Officer, employee, promoter, underwriter, voting trustee, partner, director, or person performing similar functions.

"Independent" when used with respect to any accountant may include an accountant who audits the books of the person if in addition to satisfying the criteria above the accountant is independent with respect to the person within the meaning of Rule 101 of the Code of Ethics of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

Whenever any Independent person's opinion or certificate is to be furnished to the Trustee, the opinion or certificate shall state that the signer has read this definition and that the signer is Independent within the meaning of this Indenture.

**"Initial Consent Period"**: The period of 15 Business Days from but excluding the date on which the Trustee mailed notice of a proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2(b) to the Holders of Securities.

**"Initial Purchasers"**: Lehman Brothers Inc. and Lehman Brothers International (Europe).

**"Initial Rating"**: The ratings by Moody's and S&P with respect to each Class of Notes provided in the table in Section 2.3(a).

**"Insolvency Event"**: With respect to any person, means that:

(i) an involuntary proceeding shall be commenced or an involuntary petition shall be filed seeking:

(A) liquidation, reorganization, or other relief in respect of the person or its debts, or of all or substantially all of its assets, under any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar law now or hereafter in effect, or

(B) the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, conservator, or similar official for the person or for all or substantially all of its assets,

and, in any such case, the proceeding or petition shall continue undismissed for 30 days; or an order or decree approving or ordering any of the foregoing shall be entered, or

(ii) the person shall:

(A) voluntarily commence any proceeding or file any petition seeking liquidation, reorganization, or other relief under any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar law now or hereafter in effect,

(B) consent to the institution of, or fail to contest in a timely and appropriate manner, any proceeding or petition described in clause (i) above,

(C) apply for or consent to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, or conservator or for all or substantially all of its assets,

(D) file an answer admitting the material allegations of a petition filed against it in any such proceeding, or

(E) make a general assignment for the benefit of creditors.

**"Insolvency Proceeding"**: The meaning specified in Section 16.4(b).

**"Institutional Accredited Investor"**: An institutional accredited investor as defined in clause (1), (2), (3) or (7) of Rule 501(a) under Regulation D under the Securities Act.

**"Instrument"**: The meaning specified in Section 9-102(a)(47) of the UCC.

**"Interest Coverage Ratio":** With respect to any specified Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by dividing:

- (i) the sum of:
  - (A) the Interest Proceeds received or scheduled to be received with respect to the Due Period in which the Measurement Date occurs, minus
  - (B) amounts payable under clauses (1), (2), (3) and (4) of Section 11.1(a)(i) on the related Payment Date, by:
- (ii) all accrued and unpaid interest on the specified Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to the Class, including any Deferred Interest on the related Payment Date.

For purposes of the Interest Coverage Ratio, only the amount of any interest payment (including any "gross up" payment) on any Collateral Obligation in excess of any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction on any date of determination shall be included in Interest Proceeds.

**"Interest Coverage Test":** A test the first Measurement Date for which will be on the second Payment Date and that is satisfied with respect to any specified Class of Notes if, as of the second Payment Date and any Measurement Date thereafter on which any Notes remain Outstanding, the Interest Coverage Ratio equals or exceeds the applicable required level in the table below for the specified Class:

<u>Test</u>	<u>Required Level</u>
Class A/B Interest Coverage Test	120.0%
Class C Interest Coverage Test	110.0%
Class D Interest Coverage Test	106.0%
Class E Interest Coverage Test	105.0%

**"Interest Period":** Initially, the period from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the first Payment Date, and, thereafter, each successive period from and including each Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date.

**"Interest Proceeds":** With respect to any Due Period, the sum (without duplication) of all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period (or as otherwise specified below) by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are:

- (i) payments of interest, fees, and commissions (excluding (A) Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal, (B) interest and dividends on Workout Assets, (C) fees and commissions from Defaulted Collateral Obligations, and (D) syndication and other up-front fees and any up-front fixed payments received in connection with entering into a Synthetic Security);
- (ii) any portion of the Sale Proceeds of a Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Collateral Obligation) representing Accrued Interest On Sale;
- (iii) all payments of principal on, or disposition proceeds from the sale of, Eligible Investments to the extent purchased with Interest Proceeds;

(iv) payments with respect to the Hedge Agreements received on or before the related Payment Date (other than any amount payable thereunder because of any early termination or notional amount reduction), but not any Sale Proceeds from any of these instruments (except to the extent that they were purchased with Interest Proceeds);

(v) all fees received pursuant to any Securities Lending Agreements;

(vi) amounts in the Collection Account designated for distribution as Interest Proceeds pursuant to the Priority of Payments (including any amount transferred from the Interest Reserve Account);

(vii) all earnings on amounts in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account and the Revolving Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.3(b);

(viii) amounts in the Expense Reimbursement Account on the Payment Date for the relevant Due Period; and

(ix) any recoveries (including interest) received on a Defaulted Collateral Obligation in excess of the principal balance of such Defaulted Collateral Obligation (as of the date the related Collateral Obligation became a Defaulted Collateral Obligation and excluding from such principal balance any deferred interest on Defaulted Collateral Obligations that are PIK Securities).

Interest Proceeds shall not include the Excluded Property and Interest Proceeds shall not include earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

Each reference in the definition of "Interest Proceeds" to a Collateral Obligation shall include a Collateral Obligation that has been loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and Interest Proceeds shall include any amounts referred to in clauses (i) through (iii) above received by the Issuer in respect of the Collateral Obligation indirectly from the related Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement.

With respect to any Payment Date, Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Interest Proceeds due and payable on such Payment Date to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date that are distributed to such Holders by way of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of Cash pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(i) will be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds.

**"Interest Reserve Account":** The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(i).

**"Investment Company Act":** The United States Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

**"Irish Paying Agent":** The meaning specified in Section 7.2.

**"Issuer":** The Person named as such on the first page of this Indenture.

**"Issuer Accounts":** The meaning assigned in the Granting Clauses.

**"Issuer Order" and "Issuer Request":** A written order or request dated and signed in the name of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, or by the Servicer by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

**"Issuer Ordinary Shares":** The ordinary shares, par value \$1.00 per share, of the Issuer which have been issued by the Issuer and are outstanding from time to time.

**"Junior Class":** With respect to a particular Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that is subordinated to that Class, as indicated in Section 13.1.

**"Leasing Finance Transaction":** Any transaction pursuant to which the obligations of the lessee to pay rent or other amounts on a triple net basis under any lease of (or other arrangement conveying the right to use) real or personal property, or a combination thereof, are required to be classified and accounted for as a capital lease on a balance sheet of such lessee under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America; but only if (a) such lease or other transaction provides for the unconditional obligation of the lessee to pay a stated amount of principal no later than a stated maturity date, together with interest thereon, and the payment of such obligation is not subject to any material non-credit related risk as determined by the Servicer, (b) the obligations of the lessee in respect of such lease or other transaction are fully secured, directly or indirectly, by the property that is the subject of such lease and (c) the interest held by the Issuer in respect of such lease or other transaction is treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

**"LIBOR":** The offered rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent for any Interest Period, for three month Dollar deposits that appears on Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page as reported on Bloomberg Financial Markets Commodities News (or a page that replaces Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), as of 11:00 A.M. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period.

If, on the second Business Day before the first day of any relevant Interest Period, that rate does not appear on Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page as reported on Bloomberg Financial Market Commodities News (or a page that replaces Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page for the purpose of displaying comparable rates), the Calculation Agent shall determine the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations of the Reference Banks to prime banks in the London interbank market for three month Dollar deposits in Europe, by reference to requests by the Calculation Agent to four major banks in the London interbank market selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) (the **"Reference Banks"**) for quotations as of approximately 11:00 A.M. (London time) on the second Business Day before the first day of the Interest Period. If at least two of the Reference Banks provide quotations as requested, LIBOR shall equal such arithmetic mean. If fewer than two Reference Banks provide quotations, LIBOR shall be the arithmetic mean of the offered quotations that one or more leading banks in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer) are quoting to the principal London offices of leading banks in the London interbank market on the second Business Day before the first day of the relevant Interest Period for three month Dollar deposits.

If the Calculation Agent is unable to determine a rate in accordance with any of the above procedures, LIBOR for the Interest Period shall be calculated on the last day of the Interest Period and shall be the arithmetic mean of the rate of interest for each day during the Interest Period determined by the Calculation Agent as being the rate of interest most recently announced by the Bank at its New York office as its base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans (or if the Bank ceases to exist or is not quoting a base rate, prime rate, reference rate, or similar rate for Dollar loans, another major money center commercial bank in New York City selected by the Calculation Agent (after consultation with the Servicer)).

For the first Interest Period and, unless the Maturity Extension occurs, the last Interest Period, LIBOR shall be determined based on the actual number of days in the Interest Period using straight-line interpolation of two rates calculated in accordance with the above procedure, except that instead of using three month deposits, one rate shall be determined using the period for which

rates are obtainable next shorter than the Interest Period and the other rate shall be determined using the period for which rates are obtainable next longer than the Interest Period. All calculations shall be calculated to at least four decimal places and rounded to four decimal places.

**"Loan":** Any interest in a fully committed, senior secured, unsecured, or revolving loan (including loans involving credit linked deposits and synthetic letters of credit) that is acquired by assignment or by Participation (including any DIP Loan) that is either:

- (i) Registered; or
- (ii) issued by an obligor that is not resident in the United States:
  - (A) whose payments are not subject to United States withholding tax; and
  - (B) that is held through a financial institution pursuant to the procedures described in Treasury Regulation section 1.165-12(c)(3).

**"Long-Dated Collateral Obligation":** Any Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturity of the Notes other than a Collateral Obligation with a stated maturity later than the Stated Maturities of the Notes that includes a "put" option to its obligor at a price of at least par payable on or before the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

**"Majority":** With respect to any Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**"Margin Stock":** "Margin Stock" as defined under Regulation U issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, including any debt security that is by its terms convertible into Margin Stock, but does not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation received pursuant to an offer by an issuer of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation.

**"Market Value":** As of any Measurement Date, the market value determined by the Servicer and reported to the Trustee as an amount rather than as a percentage or fraction of par (expressed in Dollars) of any Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) based upon the following order of priority: (i) the average of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from three Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (ii) if the foregoing set of prices were not obtained, the lower of the bid-side market prices obtained by the Servicer from two Independent broker-dealers active in the trading of such obligations or (iii) if the foregoing sets of prices were not obtained, the average of the bid-side prices for the purchase of the Collateral Obligation (or Eligible Equity Security, as applicable) determined by an Approved Pricing Service (Independent from the Servicer) that derives valuations by polling broker-dealers (Independent from the Servicer).

If a Market Value of any Collateral Obligation cannot be so determined in accordance with the procedures set out in the preceding paragraph for a period of 30 consecutive days then such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero; provided, that during such 30 day period, such Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Market Value equal to (a) the higher of (i) the S&P Recovery Rate for such Collateral Obligation and the then current S&P Rating of the Class A-1-A Notes and (ii) 70% of the Principal Balance of such Collateral Obligation or (b) if the Servicer has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation is lower than the amount determined pursuant to clause (a), such amount

to be determined by the Servicer in its commercially reasonable judgment; provided, further, that the maximum amount of Collateral Obligations having a Market Value assigned pursuant to the immediately preceding proviso shall be limited to 5.0% of the Maximum Amount (and any amount in excess of 5.0% of the Maximum Amount shall be deemed to have a Market Value of zero). For the avoidance of doubt, the procedures set out in this paragraph shall not apply to determinations of Market Value of any Eligible Equity Securities or Current Pay Obligations.

The Servicer is under no obligation to determine the Market Value of the Collateral Obligations other than as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or this Indenture or to comply with any of its duties as set forth in the Servicing Agreement or in this Indenture.

**"Market Value Determination Date":** With respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities, one Business Day prior to the date of the notice distributed by the Issuer to the Holders of the Preference Shares in connection with such distribution.

**"Market Value Percentage":** For any Collateral Obligation, the ratio obtained by dividing:

- (i) the Market Value of the Collateral Obligation; *by*
- (ii) the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Maturity":** With respect to any Note, the date on which the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable as provided in the Note or this Indenture, whether at the Stated Maturity or by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise.

**"Maturity Extension":** The meaning specified in Section 2.4.

**"Maximum Amount":** An amount equal to:

- (i) on any Measurement Date during the Ramp-Up Period, U.S.\$981,300,000; and
- (ii) on any Measurement Date after the Ramp-Up Completion Date:
  - (A) the aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations plus the aggregate outstanding principal amount of any Defaulted Collateral Obligations; *plus*
  - (B) Cash representing Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
  - (C) Eligible Investments (other than Cash) purchased by the Issuer with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account.

**"Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor":** As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the sum of (i) the number set forth in the column entitled "Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolation between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable) plus (ii) the Recovery Rate Modifier.

**"Measurement Date":** Any date:

- (i) on which the Issuer commits to acquire or dispose of any Collateral Obligation;



- (ii) on which a Collateral Obligation becomes a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;
  - (iii) that is a Determination Date;
  - (iv) that is the Ramp-Up Completion Date;
  - (v) that is the date as of which the information in a Monthly Report is calculated pursuant to Section 10.6; and,
- with respect to any distribution of Eligible Equity Securities only,
- (vi) that is the Market Value Determination Date with respect to such distribution of Eligible Equity Securities.

**"Memorandum and Articles of Association":** The memorandum and articles of association of the Issuer, as amended and restated before the Closing Date or in accordance with this Indenture.

**"Merging Entity":** The meaning specified in Section 7.10.

**"Minimum Diversity Score":** As of any Measurement Date, a score equal to the number set forth in the column entitled "Minimum Diversity Score" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**"Minimum Weighted Average Spread":** As of any Measurement Date, the spread equal to the percentage set forth in the row entitled "Minimum Weighted Average Spread" in the Ratings Matrix based upon the applicable "row/column combination" chosen by the Servicer (or the interpolating between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable).

**"Monthly Determination Date":** The meaning specified in Section 10.6(a).

**"Monthly Report":** The meaning specified in Section 10.6(a).

**"Moody's":** Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

**"Moody's Default Probability Rating":** The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Moody's Equivalent Senior Unsecured Rating":** The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Moody's Group I Country":** Any of the following countries: Australia, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group I Country.

**"Moody's Group II Country":** Any of the following countries: Germany, Ireland, Sweden, Switzerland and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group II Country.

**"Moody's Group III Country":** Any of the following countries: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, Spain and any country subsequently determined by Moody's to be a Moody's Group III Country.

**"Moody's Industry Classification":** The industry classifications in Schedule 2 as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by Moody's.

**"Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate":** As of any Measurement Date, a rate equal to the number obtained by:

- (i) summing the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its respective Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate;
- (ii) dividing the sum determined pursuant to clause (i) above by the sum of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations; and
- (iii) rounding up to the first decimal place.

**"Moody's Non Senior Secured Loan":** Any Loan that is not a Moody's Senior Secured Loan.

**"Moody's Obligation Rating":** The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Moody's Priority Category":** Each type of Collateral Obligation specified in the definition of "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix" as a "Moody's Priority Category."

**"Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate":** For any Collateral Obligation, the percentage specified in the definition of "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix" opposite the Moody's Priority Category of the Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate Matrix":**

<b>Moody's Priority Category</b>	<b>Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate</b>
Synthetic Securities .....	In the case of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to the Form-Approved Synthetic Security at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security by Moody's, and</li> <li>(ii) any other Synthetic Security, the "Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate" given by Moody's to the Synthetic Security at the time of acquisition of the Synthetic Security.</li> </ul>
Structured Finance Obligations.....	The Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate determined in accordance with the Moody's Structured Finance Obligation Recovery Rates set forth in <u>Schedule 5</u> by reference to the type of asset and its then Moody's Rating (or, with respect to assets to which that schedule does not apply, on a case-by-case basis in connection with the Grant of the relevant Collateral Obligation).
unsecured DIP Loans and any Collateral Obligations not covered above or below.....	As determined by Moody's on a case-by-case basis.

For High-Yield Bonds, Moody's Senior Secured Loans and Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is the rate determined pursuant to the table below based on the number of rating subcategories difference between the High-Yield Bond's or Loan's Moody's Obligation Rating and its Moody's Default Probability Rating (for purposes of clarification, if the Moody's Obligation Rating is higher than the Moody's Default Probability Rating, the rating subcategories difference will be positive and if it is lower, negative):

Number of Moody's Rating Subcategories Difference Between the Moody's Obligation Rating and the Moody's Default Probability Rating	Moody's Senior Secured Loans	Moody's Non Senior Secured Loans	High-Yield Bonds
+2 or more	60.0%	45.0%	40.0%
+1	50.0%	42.5%	35.0%
0	45.0%	40.0%	30.0%
-1	40.0%	30.0%	15.0%
-2	30.0%	15.0%	10.0%
-3 or less	20.0%	10.0%	2.0%

If no Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate has been specifically assigned with respect to a Loan pursuant to the above table, and the Loan is a secured DIP Loan, the relevant Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate is 50.0%.

**"Moody's Rating"**: The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"Moody's Rating Factor"**: The number in the table below opposite the rating of the Collateral Obligation (excluding Synthetic Securities where an Assigned Moody's Rating is not available).

Moody's Rating	Moody's Rating Factor	Moody's Rating	Moody's Rating Factor
Aaa	1	Ba1	940
Aa1	10	Ba2	1350
Aa2	20	Ba3	1766
Aa3	40	B1	2220
A1	70	B2	2720
A2	120	B3	3490
A3	180	Caa1	4770
Baa1	260	Caa2	6500
Baa2	360	Caa3	8070
Baa3	610	Ca or lower	10000

The Moody's Rating Factor for Collateral Obligations that are Synthetic Securities shall be determined by Moody's and obtained by the Issuer or the Servicer on a case-by-case basis, unless (1) there is an Assigned Moody's Rating available for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, in which case such Assigned Moody's Rating shall be used to compute the Moody's Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, or (2) such Collateral Obligation is a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, in which case the Moody's Rating Factor given to such Collateral Obligation at the time of approval of the Form-Approved Synthetic Security shall be used to compute the Moody's Rating Factor for such Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security.

The Moody's Rating Factor for any Collateral Obligation that is a Structured Finance Obligation shall be equal to:  $\frac{A \times 55\%}{1 - B}$ ,

where: "A" means the number determined with respect to such Collateral Obligation pursuant to the table above; and

"B" means the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate with respect to such Collateral Obligation.

**"Moody's Senior Secured Loan":**

(a) a Loan that:

(i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan;

(ii) is secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan; and

(iii) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal seniority secured by a first lien or security interest in the same collateral; or

(b) a Loan that:

(i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan, other than, with respect to a Loan described in clause (a) above, with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such loan;

(ii) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan;

(iii) the value of the collateral securing the Loan together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by a first or second lien or security interest in the same collateral; and

(iv) has been assigned a Moody's rating equal to or higher than Moody's corporate family rating for such obligor; and

(c) the Loan is not: (i) a DIP Loan, (ii) a Loan for which the security interest or lien (or the validity or effectiveness thereof) in substantially all of its collateral attaches, becomes effective, or otherwise "springs" into existence after the origination thereof, or (iii) a type of loan that Moody's has identified as having unusual terms and with respect to which its Moody's Recovery Rate has been or is to be determined on a case-by-case basis.

**"Non-Call Period"**: The period from the Closing Date to but not including the Payment Date in May 2011.

**"Non-Consenting Holder"**: With respect to any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, any Holder or, in the case of Securities represented by Global Notes, any beneficial owner, that either (i) has delivered to the Trustee a written notice that it will not consent to such supplemental indenture or (ii) had not consented to such supplemental indenture within the applicable Initial Consent Period.

**"Non-Performing Collateral Obligation"**: Any Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any PIK Security as to which its issuer or obligor has previously deferred or capitalized any interest due on it and all the interest so deferred or capitalized has not subsequently been paid in full in cash by:

(i) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or above, the earlier of its second payment date or one year following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it, or

(ii) if the PIK Security has a Moody's Rating of "Baa3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "Baa3", or an S&P Rating of "BBB-" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "BBB-", the earlier of its first payment date or six months following the date of the initial deferral or capitalization of interest due on it.

**"Non-Permitted Holder"**: (a) With respect to the Global Notes, a Holder or beneficial owner of an interest in a Global Note that is a U.S. person and (i) not a QIB/QP and that becomes the beneficial owner of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note or (ii) does not have an exemption available under the Securities Act and (b) with respect to the Class E Notes, a Holder or beneficial owner of an interest in a Class E Note that is not a QIB/QP.

**"Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor"**: The meaning specified in the second paragraph of Section 2.6(c).

**"Non-qualifying Collateral Obligation"**: The meaning specified in Section 12.1(d).

**"Note Break-Even Loss Rate"**: With respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the maximum percentage of defaults that the Current Portfolio or Proposed Portfolio can sustain and nevertheless sufficient funds will remain for the payment of principal of the Class of Notes in full by its Stated Maturity and the timely payment of interest on the Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes and the Class B Notes and the ultimate payment of interest on the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes using S&P's assumptions on recoveries, defaults, and timing, and taking into account the Priority of Payments and the adjusted Weighted Average Spread level specified in the applicable row of the table below. The adjusted Weighted Average Spread as of any Measurement Date is the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date minus the amount of any Spread Excess added to the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon as of the Measurement Date.

Row	Adjusted Weighted Average Spread
1	Greater than or equal to 3.00%
2	Greater than or equal to 2.90% but less than 3.00%
3	Greater than or equal to 2.80% but less than 2.90%
4	Greater than or equal to 2.70% but less than 2.80%
5	Greater than or equal to 2.60% but less than 2.70%
6	Greater than or equal to 2.50% but less than 2.60%
7	Greater than or equal to 2.40% but less than 2.50%
8	Greater than or equal to 2.30% but less than 2.40%
9	Greater than or equal to 2.20% but less than 2.30%

**"Note Class Loss Differential"**: With respect to any Measurement Date and any Class of Notes that is rated by S&P, the rate calculated by subtracting the Class Scenario Loss Rate for the Class from the then-applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate for the Class of Notes.

**"Noteholder"**: A Holder of the Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes.

**"Note Interest Rate"**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes, the per annum interest rate payable on the Notes of the Class with respect to each Interest Period equal to LIBOR for Eurodollar deposits for the applicable Interest Period plus the spread specified in the "Interest Rate" rows of the tables in Section 2.3 with respect to such Notes except in the first Interest Period.

**"Note Payment Sequence"**: The application of funds in the following order:

- (1) to the Class A Notes until the Class A Notes have been fully redeemed (provided that amounts allocated to payment of principal of the Class A Notes shall be paid in accordance with the Class A Allocation);
- (2) to the Class B Notes until the Class B Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (3) to the Class C Notes until the Class C Notes have been fully redeemed;
- (4) to the Class D Notes until the Class D Notes have been fully redeemed; and
- (5) to the Class E Notes until the Class E Notes have been fully redeemed.

**"Notes"**: The Senior Notes and the Class E Notes authorized by, and authenticated and delivered under, this Indenture or any supplemental indenture.

**"Notice of Refinancing"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

**"Objection Cut-Off Date"**: The meaning specified in Section 15.1(h)(ii).

**"Offer"**: The meaning specified in Section 10.7(c).

**"Offering"**: The offering of the Notes.

**"Offering Memorandum":** The final offering memorandum, dated May 30, 2007, prepared and delivered in connection with the offer and sale of the Securities.

**"Officer":** With respect to the Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to the Co-Issuer and any corporation, any director, the Chairman of the board of directors, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, or an Assistant Treasurer of the entity; with respect to any partnership, any of its general partners; and with respect to the Trustee, any Trust Officer.

**"Opinion of Counsel":** A written opinion addressed to the Trustee and each Rating Agency, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and each Rating Agency, of an attorney at law (or law firm with one or more partners) reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and admitted to practice before the highest court of any state of the United States or the District of Columbia (or the Cayman Islands, in the case of an opinion relating to the laws of the Cayman Islands), which attorney (or law firm) may, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, be counsel for the Servicer, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. Whenever an Opinion of Counsel is required under this Indenture, the Opinion of Counsel may rely on opinions of other counsel who are so admitted and so satisfactory, which opinions of other counsel shall accompany the Opinion of Counsel and shall either be addressed to the Trustee and each Rating Agency or shall state that the Trustee and each Rating Agency may rely on it. An Opinion of Counsel may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion.

**"Optional Redemption":** A redemption of the Notes in accordance with Section 9.2.

**"Other Indebtedness":** The meaning specified in the definition of "Defaulted Collateral Obligation."

**"Outstanding":** With respect to:

(a) the Notes or any specified Class, as of any date of determination, all of the Notes or all of the Notes of the specified Class, as the case may be, theretofore authenticated and delivered under this Indenture, except with respect to Notes:

(i) Notes canceled by the Indenture Registrar or delivered to the Indenture Registrar for cancellation;

(ii) Notes for whose payment or redemption funds in the necessary amount have been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for their Holders pursuant to Section 4.1(a)(ii) and if the Notes are to be redeemed, notice of redemption has been duly given pursuant to this Indenture;

(iii) Notes in exchange for or in lieu of which other Notes have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to this Indenture; and

(iv) Notes alleged to have been destroyed, lost, or stolen for which replacement Notes have been issued as provided in Section 2.7, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Notes are held by a protected purchaser; and

(b) the Preference Shares, as of any date of determination, all of the Preference Shares theretofore issued under the Preference Share Documents and listed in the Preference Share register of the Issuer as outstanding;

provided that, in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver under this Indenture, the Securities owned or beneficially owned by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, any Affiliate of either of them and, with respect to any matter affecting its status as Servicer or appointment of a replacement Servicer or relating to an acceleration of any Class of Notes if the effect of the Servicer's action or inaction as a Holder of Securities would effectively prevent acceleration, the Servicer, its Affiliates and any account over which the Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority (other than, with respect to Notes or Class II Preference Shares, HFP or any of its subsidiaries; provided that, with respect to the voting authority of Notes or Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP or any of its subsidiaries, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP or such subsidiaries and certified in writing to the Trustee or the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP or such subsidiaries) shall be disregarded and not be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver, only Securities that a Trust Officer of the Trustee (or with respect to the Preference Shares, only Preference Shares that an authorized officer of the Preference Shares Paying Agent) has actual knowledge to be so owned or beneficially owned shall be so disregarded. Securities so owned or beneficially owned that have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee or the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, the pledgee's right so to act with respect to the Securities and that the pledgee is independent from the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

**"Overcollateralization Ratio":** With respect to any Class of Notes on any Measurement Date, the ratio calculated by *dividing*:

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator; by
- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class of Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it (excluding any Deferred Interest on the Notes and all Notes ranking senior to it).

**"Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator":** On any date, the sum of:

- (1) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (other than any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, any Deep Discount Obligations, and any Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an "event of default" (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing); *plus*
- (2) unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal (excluding any unpaid Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal in respect of Non-Performing Collateral Obligations); *plus*
- (3) the Aggregate Principal Balance of any Eligible Investments that were purchased with Principal Proceeds and the amount of Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account; *plus*
- (4) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Eligible Investments on deposit in a Securities Lending Account that relate to a Securities Lending Agreement with respect to which an "event of default" (under and as defined in the Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing; *plus*
- (5) with respect to Collateral Obligations that are Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, Deep Discount Obligations or Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, the amount



determined by using one of the following methods applicable to such type of Collateral Obligation; provided that if a Collateral Obligation falls within more than one of such types, the Issuer will be required to use the method that results in the smallest amount:

(A) with respect to any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, an amount equal to the product of (i) the CCC+/Caa1 Excess Market Value Percentage, multiplied by (ii) the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations;

(B) with respect to any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations, the aggregate of the Applicable Collateral Obligation Amounts for all included Non-Performing Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Collateral Obligations that have been held by the Issuer for more than three years, which shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this clause (B)); and

(C) with respect to any Deep Discount Obligations, the Aggregate Purchase Price Amount for all Deep Discount Obligations.

As used in this definition, "*Applicable Collateral Obligation Amount*" for any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation means:

(a) the lesser of:

(x) the Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation; and

(y) the Applicable Percentage for the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation;

multiplied by:

(b) if the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation is:

(1) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (2) through (4) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;

(2) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;

(3) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and

(4) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

As used in the calculation of Market Value Percentage of the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation, the Principal Balance of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation shall be, if the Defaulted Collateral Obligation is:

(i) any Pledged Obligation other than those in clauses (ii) through (iv) below, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;

- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance including any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount); and
- (iv) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance.

**"Overcollateralization Test":** A test that is satisfied with respect to any Class of Notes if, as of any Measurement Date, the Overcollateralization Ratio for the Class is at least equal to the required level for the specified Class indicated in the table below:

<u>Test</u>	<u>Required Level</u>
Class A/B Overcollateralization Test	112.4%
Class C Overcollateralization Test	106.6%
Class D Overcollateralization Test	106.1%
Class E Overcollateralization Test	102.3%

**"Participating Institution":** An institution that creates a participation interest and that has a long-term senior unsecured rating by Moody's of at least "A3" (and if so rated by Moody's such rating is not on watch for possible downgrade) and an issuer credit rating by S&P of at least "A".

**"Participation":** A Loan acquired as a participation interest created by a Participating Institution.

**"Paying Agent":** Any Person authorized by the Issuer to pay the principal of or interest on any Notes on behalf of the Issuer as specified in Section 7.2.

**"Payment Account":** The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(h).

**"Payment Date":** The first day of February, May, August and November in each year, commencing in November 2007 or, if any such day is not a Business Day, the next following Business Day, any other date on which the Notes are redeemed or paid before their Stated Maturity, and at the Stated Maturity for the Notes.

**"Permitted Offer":** An Offer pursuant to which the offeror offers to acquire a debt obligation (including a Collateral Obligation) in exchange solely for cash in an amount equal to or greater than the full face amount of the debt obligation plus any accrued and unpaid interest and as to which the Servicer has determined in its commercially reasonable judgment that the offeror has sufficient access to financing to consummate the Offer.

**"Person":** An individual, corporation (including a business trust), partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust (including any beneficiary thereof), unincorporated association or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

**"PIK Cash-Pay Interest":** As to any PIK Security, the portion of interest required to be paid in cash (and not permitted to be added to the balance of such PIK Security or otherwise deferred and accrued) thereon pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments.

**"PIK Security":** Any loan or debt obligation on which any portion of the interest accrued for a specified period of time or until the maturity thereof is, or at the option of the obligor may be, added to the principal balance of such loan or debt obligation or otherwise deferred rather than being paid in cash, provided that such loan or debt obligation shall not be a PIK Security if the portion, if any, of such interest required pursuant to the terms of the related Underlying Instruments to be paid in Cash would result in the outstanding principal amount of such loan or debt obligation having an effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest at least equal to (i) if such loan or debt obligation is a fixed rate loan or debt obligation, 4% per annum, or (ii) if such loan or debt obligation is a floating rate loan or debt obligation, LIBOR.

**"Plan Asset Regulation":** The regulation issued by the United States Department of Labor and found at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101.

**"Pledged Obligations":** As of any date of determination, the Collateral Obligations, the Workout Assets, the Eligible Investments, and any other securities or obligations that have been Granted to the Trustee that form part of the Collateral.

**"Portfolio Improvement Exchange":** The disposition, during the Replacement Period, of a Collateral Obligation and corresponding acquisition of one or more Collateral Obligations which in the aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Test, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied (or bring the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations closer to compliance with any such test or limitation) or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith would be improved and (ii) improving, on a net basis, the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Test, Overcollateralization Test and Concentration Limitations and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased.

**"Pre-Closing Party":** One or more Affiliates of the Initial Purchasers that financed the Issuer's pre-closing acquisition of Collateral Obligations.

**"Preference Share Distribution Account":** A segregated bank account established by the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent will deposit all amounts received from the Issuer and payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares under the Priority of Payments.

**"Preference Share Documents":** The Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the resolutions of the Issuer's board of directors authorizing the issuance of the Preference Shares passed on or before the Closing Date.

**"Preference Share Internal Rate of Return":** With respect to any Payment Date, the internal rate of return (computed using the "XIRR" function in Microsoft® Excel 2002 or an equivalent function in another software package), stated on a per annum basis, for the following cash flows, assuming all Preference Shares are purchased on the Closing Date at their Face Amount:

(i) each distribution of Interest Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date and

(ii) each distribution of Principal Proceeds made to the Holders of the Preference Shares (excluding any Class II Preference Share Special Payment distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares) on any prior Payment Date and, to the extent necessary to reach the applicable Preference Share Internal Rate of Return, the current Payment Date.

**"Preference Shares":** The Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares.

**"Preference Shares Notional Amount":** As of the Closing Date, \$80,000,000, and thereafter as increased each time additional Preference Shares are issued in accordance with the Preference Share Documents.

**"Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement":** The Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, by and between the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

**"Preference Shares Paying Agent":** Investors Bank & Trust Company, in its capacity as Preference Shares Paying Agent under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, unless a successor Person shall have become the preference shares paying agent pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, and thereafter "Preference Shares Paying Agent" shall mean such successor Person.

**"Principal Balance":** With respect to:

- (i) any Pledged Obligation other than those specifically covered in this definition, the outstanding principal amount of the Pledged Obligation as of the relevant Measurement Date;
- (ii) a Synthetic Security, the notional amount specified in the Synthetic Security;
- (iii) any Pledged Obligation in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest, zero, except as otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture;
- (iv) any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, except as otherwise provided, zero;
- (v) any Collateral Obligation that has been loaned, its Principal Balance shall be reduced by the excess of the amount of collateral required over the actual Market Value of the collateral;
- (vi) any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its Principal Balance shall include any unfunded amount thereof (regardless of the nature of the contingency relating to the Issuer's obligation to fund the unfunded amount), except as otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture;
- (vii) any PIK Security, its Principal Balance shall not include any principal amount of the PIK Security representing previously deferred or capitalized interest; and
- (viii) any Qualified Equity Security and any obligation or security that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, zero.

**"Principal Proceeds"**: With respect to any Due Period, all amounts received in Cash during the Due Period by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral that are not Interest Proceeds.

Principal Proceeds shall include any funds transferred from the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account into the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.2.

Principal Proceeds do not include the Excluded Property or earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account to the extent the earnings are payable by the Issuer to a Securities Lending Counterparty.

At any time when an "event of default" under a Securities Lending Agreement has occurred and is continuing, any payments received by the Issuer from the related Securities Lending Collateral shall be Principal Proceeds.

**"Priority Class"**: With respect to any specified Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that ranks senior to that Class, as indicated in Section 13.1.

**"Priority of Payments"**: The meaning specified in Section 11.1(a).

**"Proceeding"**: Any suit in equity, action at law, or other judicial or administrative proceeding.

**"Proposed Portfolio"**: As of any Measurement Date, the portfolio (measured by Aggregate Principal Balance) of Collateral Obligations and Principal Proceeds held as Cash on deposit in the Collection Account and other Eligible Investments purchased with Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account resulting from the sale, maturity, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or a proposed purchase of a Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

**"Purchase Agreement"**: A purchase agreement dated May 31, 2007 among the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchasers, relating to the purchase of the Notes and the Class I Preference Shares, as modified, amended and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance"**: For any Collateral Obligation other than Deep Discount Obligations, its Principal Balance; and for any Deep Discount Obligation its Purchase Price; provided, however, that if any Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations exist, the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance for the Excess CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations shall be the lower of (i) the weighted average Market Value of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations, expressed as a percentage of their outstanding principal balances and (ii) the product of (a) 70% and (b) their respective Principal Balance.

**"Purchase Price"**: With respect to the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (other than any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation), the net purchase price paid by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation. The net purchase price is determined by subtracting from the purchase price the amount of any Accrued Interest Purchased With Principal and any syndication and other upfront fees paid to the Issuer and by adding the amount of any related transaction costs (including assignment fees) paid by the Issuer to the seller of the Collateral Obligation or its agent.

**"Purchase Price Amount"**: With respect to any Collateral Obligation on any date of termination, the product of (i) the Purchase Price (stated as a percentage) thereof and (ii) the Principal Balance thereof on such date.

**"QIB/QP"**: Any Person that, at the time of its acquisition of Notes is both a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser.

**"Qualified Equity Security"**: Any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that is stock or evidence of an interest in or a right to buy stock, or any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation but whose acquisition otherwise is a transaction in stocks or securities within the meaning of Section 864(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Code and the regulations under the Code. Qualified Equity Securities do not include any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation and that will cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in or having income from a United States trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes by virtue of its ownership or disposition of the obligation (without regard to the Issuer's other activities).

**"Qualified Institutional Buyer"**: The meaning specified in Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

**"Qualified Purchaser"**: The meaning specified in Section 2(a)(51) of the Investment Company Act and Rule 2a51-2 under the Investment Company Act (including entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers).

**"Ramp-Up Completion Date"**: The earlier of:

- (i) the Business Day after the 90<sup>th</sup> day after the Closing Date, and
- (ii) the first date on which the following conditions are satisfied:

(x) (A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer equals at least U.S.\$981,300,000 or (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations purchased (or committed to be purchased) by the Issuer with proceeds from the sale of the Notes (in each case in this clause (B), measured solely as of the date of purchase or commitment, as the case may be) equals at least U.S.\$981,300,000 (for the avoidance of doubt, without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date); and

(y) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator is at least U.S.\$981,300,000.

**"Ramp-Up Notice"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.19(e).

**"Ramp-Up Period"**: The period from and including the Closing Date to and including the Ramp-Up Completion Date.

**"Rating Agency"**: Each of Moody's and S&P or, with respect to Pledged Obligations generally, if at any time Moody's or S&P ceases to provide rating services with respect to high yield debt securities, any other nationally recognized statistical rating organization selected by the Issuer and reasonably satisfactory to a Majority of each Class of Notes. If at any time Moody's ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of Moody's in this Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and Moody's published ratings for the type of security in

respect of which the replacement rating agency is used. If at any time S&P ceases to be a Rating Agency, references to rating categories of S&P in this Indenture shall instead be references to the equivalent categories of the replacement rating agency as of the most recent date on which the replacement rating agency and S&P published ratings for the type of security in respect of which the replacement rating agency is used.

**"Rating Condition":** With respect to any Rating Agency and any action taken or to be taken under this Indenture, a condition that is satisfied when the Rating Agency has confirmed to the Servicer (as agent for the Issuer) in writing that no withdrawal, reduction, suspension, or other adverse action with respect to any then current rating by it (including any private or confidential rating) of any Class of Notes will occur as a result of the action. The Rating Condition with respect to any Rating Agency shall be satisfied for all purposes of this Indenture at any time when no Outstanding Notes are rated by it.

**"Rating Confirmation":** Confirmation in writing from each Rating Agency that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes; *provided* however, that in the case of Refinancing Notes, a Moody's rating will be obtained for such Refinancing Notes and a Rating Confirmation with respect to such Refinancing Notes shall mean (i) with respect to S&P, confirmation in writing from S&P that the rating of each Class of Refinancing Notes will be no lower than the rating on each corresponding Class of Notes subject to such Refinancing and (ii) with respect to Moody's, that the Moody's rating of each Class of Refinancing Notes will be no lower than the rating on each corresponding Class of Notes subject to such Refinancing; *provided further* that if the terms of such Refinancing Notes are the same as the terms of the corresponding Class of Notes subject to Refinancing (other than with respect to the coupon thereof), it is expected that the cost of obtaining such rating from Moody's shall be no more than the cost of obtaining a Rating Confirmation.

**"Rating Confirmation Failure":** The meaning specified in Section 7.19(f) hereof.

**"Ratings Matrix":** The "row/column combination" of the table below selected by the Servicer on the Closing Date to apply initially for purposes of the Diversity Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test. Thereafter, on notice to the Trustee, the Servicer may select a different row of the Ratings Matrix to apply, or may interpolate between two adjacent rows and/or two adjacent columns, as applicable, on a straight-line basis and round the results to two decimal points.

Minimum Weighted Average Spread	Minimum Diversity Score							
	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90
2.20%	2185	2230	2275	2320	2365	2395	2430	2455
2.30%	2230	2275	2320	2365	2410	2445	2480	2500
2.40%	2275	2320	2365	2410	2455	2490	2525	2550
2.50%	2320	2365	2410	2455	2500	2535	2570	2595
2.60%	2370	2415	2460	2505	2550	2585	2620	2645
2.70%	2425	2470	2515	2560	2605	2640	2675	2700
2.80%	2480	2525	2570	2615	2660	2695	2730	2755
2.90%	2535	2580	2625	2670	2715	2750	2785	2810
3.00%	2570	2635	2680	2725	2770	2805	2820	2845
Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor								

**"Recovery Rate Modifier"**: As of any Measurement Date, the lesser of 60 and the product of:

- (i) (a) the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate minus the minimum percentage specified to pass the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test (but not less than zero) multiplied by (b) 100; and
- (ii) 40.

**"Record Date"**: As to any Payment Date, the 15<sup>th</sup> day (whether or not a Business Day) before the Payment Date.

**"Redemption Date"**: Any Payment Date specified for an Optional Redemption of Notes pursuant to Section 9.2 or the redemption of a Class of Notes in connection with a Refinancing pursuant to Section 9.7.

**"Redemption Price"**: With respect to any Note and any Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) or any redemption by Refinancing pursuant to Section 9.7(a), an amount equal to:

- (i) the outstanding principal amount of the portion of the Note being redeemed; plus
- (ii) accrued interest on the Note (including any Defaulted Interest and interest on Defaulted Interest); plus
- (iii) in the case of any Deferred Interest Note, the applicable Deferred Interest on the Note; plus
- (iv) any unpaid Extension Bonus Payment in respect of the Note.

With respect to any Preference Share and any Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b), "Redemption Price" means (i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the *pro rata* portion for such Preference Share of the entire remaining amount of available funds after all prior applications pursuant to the Priority of Payments or (ii) as specified by the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, in each case, as specified in Section 9.2(b).

**"Reference Obligation"**: An obligation that would otherwise satisfy the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and on which a Synthetic Security is based; provided that no Reference Obligation shall be a Synthetic Security.

**"Refinancing"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

**"Refinancing Date"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

**"Refinancing Notes"**: The meaning specified in Section 9.7.

**"Refinancing Price"**: With respect to any Class of Notes that is subject to a Refinancing, an amount equal to the Redemption Price thereof.

**"Refinancing Proceeds"**: The proceeds from any refinancing permitted under this Indenture.



**"Reference Obligor":** The obligor of a Reference Obligation.

**"Registered":** With respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment, means that it is issued after July 18, 1984 and is in registered form within the meaning of Section 881(c)(2)(B)(i) of the Code and the United States Department of the Treasury ("Treasury") regulations promulgated thereunder.

**"Registered Office":** The registered office of the Issuer, which shall be located outside of the United States.

**"Regulation D":** Regulation D under the Securities Act.

**"Regulation S":** Regulation S under the Securities Act.

**"Regulation S Global Note":** The meaning specified in Section 2.2(b).

**"Relevant Obligation":** For a Collateral Obligation that is a Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security and otherwise the Collateral Obligation.

**"Replacement Hedge":** A replacement hedge agreement that qualifies to be a Hedge Agreement under this Indenture.

**"Replacement Period":** The period from the Closing Date through and including the first to occur of:

(i) the Payment Date after the date that the Servicer notifies the Trustee, each Rating Agency, and the Administrator, in the sole discretion of the Servicer, that, in light of the composition of the Collateral, general market conditions, and other factors, the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations within the foreseeable future would either be impractical or not beneficial,

(ii) the Payment Date in August 2014 or, in the case of an Extension, the Extended Replacement Period End Date,

(iii) the Payment Date on which all Notes are to be optionally redeemed or an earlier date after notice of an Optional Redemption chosen by the Servicer to facilitate the liquidation of the Collateral for the Optional Redemption, and

(iv) the date on which the Replacement Period terminates or is terminated as a result of an Event of Default (subject to Section 5.2(c)).

**"Repository":** The internet-based password protected electronic repository of transaction documents relating to privately offered and sold collateralized debt obligation securities located at "www.cdolibrary.com" operated by The Bond Market Association.

**"Required Redemption Percentage":** With respect to (a) any Optional Redemption resulting from a Tax Event, the Holders of at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of any Affected Class or at least 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Preference Shares and (b) any other Optional Redemption, a Majority of the Preference Shares.

**"Required Rating":** The meaning specified in Section 15.2(b).

**"Retention Overcollateralization Ratio"**: As of any Measurement Date, the ratio obtained by dividing:

- (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator *by*
- (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes, excluding any Deferred Interest on any Class of Notes.

**"Retention Overcollateralization Test"**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date during the Replacement Period on which any Notes remain Outstanding, if the Retention Overcollateralization Ratio as of such Measurement Date is at least equal to 103.3%.

**"Revolving Loan"**: A Loan or any Synthetic Security with a Reference Obligation (in each case excluding any Delayed Drawdown Loan) that requires the Issuer to make future advances to (or for the account of) the borrower under its Underlying Instruments (including any letter of credit for which the Issuer is required to reimburse the issuing bank for under it). A Loan or Synthetic Security shall only be considered to be a Revolving Loan for so long as its Commitment Amount is greater than zero.

**"Revolving Reserve Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(b).

**"Rule 3a-7"**: Rule 3a-7 under the Investment Company Act.

**"Rule 144A"**: Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

**"Rule 144A Global Note"**: The meaning specified in Section 2.2(c).

**"Rule 144A Information"**: The meaning specified in Section 7.15.

**"S&P"**: Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc.

**"S&P CDO Monitor"**: A dynamic, analytical computer model developed by S&P (and as may be modified by S&P from time to time) and provided to the Servicer and the Collateral Administrator to be used to calculate the default frequency in terms of the amount of debt assumed to default as a percentage of the original principal amount of the Collateral Obligations consistent with a specified benchmark rating level based on certain assumptions and S&P's proprietary corporate default studies. For the purpose (and only for the purpose) of applying the S&P CDO Monitor to a portfolio of obligations, for each obligation in the portfolio, the rating of the obligation shall be its S&P Rating.

**"S&P CDO Monitor Test"**: A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive. The S&P CDO Monitor Test shall be considered to be improved if each Note Class Loss Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is at least equal to the corresponding Note Class Loss Differential of the Current Portfolio. The S&P CDO Monitor Test is not required to be satisfied or improved upon the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation and the application of the related Sale Proceeds to purchase additional Collateral Obligations as provided in Section 12.1(a). For purposes of the S&P CDO Monitor Test,

- (i) the S&P Rating of any S&P Unrated DIP Loan shall be "CCC-" and

(ii) the S&P Industry Classification for a Synthetic Security shall be that of the related Reference Obligation and not the Synthetic Security.

**"S&P CRR":** With respect to any Collateral Obligation, a corporate recovery rate assigned by S&P to such Collateral Obligation.

**"S&P CRR Recovery Rate"** With respect to any Collateral Obligation to which S&P has assigned a S&P CRR, the recovery rate determined in accordance with the definition of S&P Recovery Rate.

**"S&P Industry Classification":** The S&P Industry Classifications in Schedule 3 as modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by S&P.

**"S&P Rating":** The meaning set forth in Schedule 7.

**"S&P Rating Confirmation":** Confirmation in writing from S&P that it has not reduced, suspended, or withdrawn the Initial Rating assigned by it to any Class of Notes.

**"S&P Recovery Rate":** As of any date of determination, with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the percentage for such Collateral Obligation set forth in (x) the applicable table below, (y) the row in such table opposite the S&P CRR (or, if the relevant assets have no S&P CRR, the senior secured recovery rating, the U.S. loan recovery rating or the CDO liability rating, as applicable) of such Collateral Obligation (or, in the case of a Form-Approved Synthetic Security, the Reference Obligation unless otherwise specified by S&P) and (z) the column in such table below the initial S&P Rating of the respective Class of Notes; provided, however that (i) with respect to a DIP Loan or a Synthetic Security (other than a Form-Approved Synthetic Security), the S&P Recovery Rate shall be the recovery rate assigned by S&P and with respect to a Structured Finance Obligation the S&P Recovery Rate shall be the recovery rate determined by reference to Table V or Table VI below, as applicable and (ii) the Issuer or the Servicer may request the assignment of a recovery rate from S&P with respect to any Collateral Obligation, any such assignment by S&P to be in writing (electronic or otherwise).

**Table I (if the Collateral Obligation has a S&P CRR): Recovery Rates For Assets With Corporate Recovery Ratings**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B & CCC
<b>S&amp;P CRR</b>						
				(%)		
1+	100	100	100	100	100	100
1	92	93	94	96	98	100
2	84	86	88	90	92	94
3	60	63	65	69	72	74
4	40	42	44	46	48	48
5	16	17	19	21	23	24

\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table II (if the Collateral Obligation is a Senior Unsecured Loan and has no S&P CRR, but other senior secured corporate debt of the same obligor has a S&P CRR): U.S. Recovery Rates of Corporate Senior Unsecured Debt If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B &amp; CCC</b>
<b>Senior secured recovery ratings</b>						
			(%)			
1+	53	55	57	59	61	61
1	48	50	52	54	56	56
2	43	45	47	49	51	51
3	39	41	43	45	47	47
4	20	20	20	20	20	20
5	10	10	10	10	10	10

\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table III (if the Collateral Obligation is a subordinated obligation and has no S&P CRR, but other senior secured corporate debt of the same obligor has a S&P CRR): U.S. Recovery Rates of Corporate Subordinated Debt If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B &amp; CCC</b>
<b>Senior secured recovery ratings</b>						
			(%)			
1+	25	25	25	25	25	25
1	22	22	22	22	22	22
2	20	20	20	20	20	20
3	20	20	20	20	20	20
4	10	10	10	10	10	10
5	5	5	5	5	5	5

\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table IV (if none of Table I, Table II or Table III is applicable): S&P's U.S. Tiered Corporate Recovery Rates (for Collateral Obligations that do not have a S&P CRR)**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B &amp; CCC</b>
<b>U.S. loan recovery rates</b>						
				(%)		
Senior Secured Loans	56	60	64	67	70	70
Senior Unsecured Loans						
and Second Lien Loans	40	42	44	46	48	48
Subordinated Loans	22	22	22	22	22	22
Senior Secured Notes	48	49	50	51	52	52
Unsecured Bonds	38	41	42	44	45	45
Subordinated Bonds	19	19	19	19	19	19

\* As of the Closing Date.

\*\* The Aggregate Principal Balance of all Second Lien Loans without a S&P CRR (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) that, in the aggregate, represent up to 15% of the Maximum Amount will have the S&P Recovery Rate specified for Second Lien Loans in the table above. The Aggregate Principal Balance of all Second Lien Loans without a S&P CRR (excluding any Defaulted Collateral Obligations) in excess of 15% of the Maximum Amount will have the S&P Recovery Rate specified for Subordinated Loans in the table above.

**Table V (if the Structured Finance Obligation is the senior-most tranche of securities issued by the issuer of, or obligor on, such Structured Finance Obligation): S&P's Ratings of Collateral Obligations at the Date of Issuance**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>CCC</b>
<b>Recovery Rate by S&amp;P's Rating of Class of Notes on the Applicable Measurement Date</b>							
AAA	80.00%	85.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%
AA	70.00%	75.00%	85.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%
A	60.00%	65.00%	75.00%	85.00%	90.00%	90.00%	90.00%
BBB	50.00%	55.00%	65.00%	75.00%	85.00%	85.00%	85.00%
BB	45.00%	50.00%	55.00%	65.00%	75.00%	75.00%	75.00%
B	25.00%	30.00%	50.00%	55.00%	65.00%	65.00%	50.00%
CCC	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	5.00%	10.00%	10.00%

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\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table VI (if the Structured Finance Obligation is not the senior-most tranche of securities issued by the issuer of, or obligor on, such Structured Finance Obligation): S&P's Ratings of Collateral Obligations at the Date of Issuance**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>CCC</b>
<b>Recovery Rate by S&amp;P's Rating of Class of Notes on the Applicable Measurement Date</b>							
AAA	65.00%	70.00%	80.00%	85.00%	85.00%	85.00%	85.00%
AA	55.00%	65.00%	75.00%	80.00%	80.00%	80.00%	80.00%
A	40.00%	45.00%	55.00%	65.00%	80.00%	80.00%	80.00%
BBB	30.00%	35.00%	40.00%	45.00%	50.00%	60.00%	70.00%
BB	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%	25.00%	35.00%	40.00%	50.00%
B	2.50%	5.00%	5.00%	10.00%	10.00%	20.00%	25.00%
CCC	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	2.50%	5.00%	5.00%

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\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table VII: European Tiered Corporate Recovery Rates (By Asset Class And CDO Liability Rating)**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B &amp; CCC</b>
<b>CDO liability rating</b>						
<b>Senior secured loans (%)</b>						
Group A	68	73	78	81	85	85
Group B	56	60	64	67	70	70
Group C	48	51	55	57	60	60
<b>Mezz./second-lien/senior unsecured loans (%)</b>						
Group A	45	47	50	52	54	54
Group B	40	42	44	46	48	48
Group C	35	37	39	40	42	42
<b>Subordinated loans (%)</b>						

Group A	20	20	20	20	20	20
Group B	20	20	20	20	20	20
Group C	17	17	17	17	17	17
<b>Senior secured bonds (%)</b>						
Group A	60	61	62	63	64	64
Group B	48	49	50	51	52	52
Group C	43	44	45	46	47	47
<b>Senior unsecured bonds (%)</b>						
Group A	40	42	44	46	48	48
Group B	38	41	42	44	45	45
Group C	32	35	36	38	39	40
<b>Subordinated bonds (%)</b>						
Group A	18	18	18	18	18	18
Group B	18	18	18	18	18	18
Group C	15	15	15	15	15	15

\* As of the Closing Date.

\*\* Group A: U.K., Ireland, South Africa, and The Netherlands. Group B: Belgium, Germany, Austria, Spain, Portugal, Luxembourg, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, and Finland. Group C: France, Italy, Greece, and Switzerland.

**Table VIII: Group A European Recovery If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

<b>Rating of Class of Notes*</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>BBB</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>B &amp; CCC</b>
<b>CDO liability rating</b>						
<b>Mezz. loans/second-lien/senior unsecured loans</b>						
	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	65	68	71	73	76	76
1	57	60	63	65	68	68
2	50	53	55	57	59	59
3	42	45	47	49	51	51
4	18	18	18	18	18	18
5	8	8	8	8	8	8
<b>Subordinated loans</b>						
	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	22	22	22	22	22	22
1	20	20	20	20	20	20
2	18	18	18	18	18	18
3	18	18	18	18	18	18
4	9	9	9	9	9	9
5	4	4	4	4	4	4

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\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table IX: Group B European Recovery If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B & CCC
<b>CDO liability rating</b>						
<b>Mezz. loans/second- lien/senior unsecured loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	53	55	57	59	61	61
1	48	50	52	54	56	56
2	43	45	47	49	51	51
3	39	41	43	45	47	47
4	18	18	18	18	18	18
5	8	8	8	8	8	8
<b>Subordinated loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	22	22	22	22	22	22
1	20	20	20	20	20	20
2	18	18	18	18	18	18
3	18	18	18	18	18	18
4	9	9	9	9	9	9
5	4	4	4	4	4	4

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\* As of the Closing Date.

**Table X: Group C European Recovery If Senior Secured Debt Has A Recovery Rating**

Rating of Class of Notes*	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B & CCC
<b>CDO liability rating</b>						
<b>Mezz. loans/second- lien/senior unsecured loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	45	46	48	49	51	51
1	41	43	44	46	47	48
2	37	39	41	42	44	44
3	33	36	37	39	40	41



4	16	16	16	16	16	16
5	6	6	6	6	6	6
<b>Subordinated loans</b>	<b>Recovery ratings of senior secured (%)</b>					
1+	20	20	20	20	20	20
1	17	17	17	17	17	17
2	15	15	15	15	15	15
3	15	15	15	15	15	15
4	8	8	8	8	8	8
5	3	3	3	3	3	3

\* As of the Closing Date.

In all recovery rate tables above, Note rating categories below "AAA" include rating subcategories (for example, the "AA" column also applies to Notes rated "AA+" and "AA-").

**"S&P Unrated DIP Loan":** A DIP Loan acquired by the Issuer that does not have a rating assigned by S&P and for which the Servicer has commenced the process of having a rating assigned by S&P (as specified in the definition of "DIP Loan").

**"Sale":** The meaning specified in Section 5.17.

**"Sale Proceeds":** All proceeds received (including any proceeds received with respect to any associated interest rate swap or security providing fixed annuity payments ) with respect to Collateral Obligations or other Pledged Obligations as a result of their sales or other dispositions less any reasonable expenses expended by the Servicer or the Trustee in connection with the sales or other dispositions, which shall be paid from such proceeds notwithstanding their characterization otherwise as Administrative Expenses.

**"Schedule of Collateral Obligations":** The Collateral Obligations listed on Schedule 1, which schedule shall include with respect to each listed Collateral Obligation:

- (A) the name of the obligor and a unique Loan or other instrument identifier;
- (B) the purchase price;
- (C) the Principal Balance;
- (D) the classification (including whether the Collateral Obligation is a Loan, a High-Yield Bond, a Synthetic Security, a Participation, a Structured Finance Obligation, a Revolving Loan or a Delayed Drawdown Loan);
- (E) the funded amount (stated as a percentage) in respect of a Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or a Delayed Drawdown Loan;
- (F) the coupon or spread (as applicable);
- (G) the Stated Maturity;
- (H) the Moody's Rating;

- (I) the S&P Rating; and
- (J) the CUSIP and any ISIN, if applicable,

as the schedule may be amended from time to time to reflect the release of Collateral Obligations pursuant to Article 10 and the inclusion of Collateral Obligations as provided in Section 12.2.

**"Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date":** August 1, 2022.

**"Second Lien Loan":** A Loan that (i) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinated in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan other than a Senior Secured Loan with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such Loan, (ii) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest in or lien on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan, which specified collateral does not consist solely of common stock or shares issued by the obligor or any of its Affiliates or intangible assets and (iii) if such Loan does not have an S&P Recovery Rate assigned as part of a credit estimate, so long as such credit estimate is in effect, then, solely for purposes of determining the S&P Recovery Rate for such Loan, in the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment (with such judgment being made in good faith by the Servicer at the time of such Loan's purchase), the specified collateral for such Loan has a value not less than the outstanding Principal Amount of all debt senior to such Loan plus the S&P Recovery Rate applicable to such Loan, which value may be derived from, among other things, the enterprise value of the issuer of such Loans (provided that the provisions of the clause (iii) may be amended at any time, subject to Rating Confirmation from S&P, or in order to conform to S&P's then-current criteria for such Loans).

**"Secondary Risk Counterparty":** Any obligor Domiciled other than in the United States, any Participating Institution, any Synthetic Security Counterparty, and any Securities Lending Counterparty.

**"Secondary Risk Table":** With respect to Moody's, the table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty	Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
Aaa	20.0%	20.0%
Aa1	10.0%	10.0%
Aa2	10.0%	10.0%
Aa3	10.0%	10.0%
A1	5.0%	10.0%
A2 or below	0.0%	0.0%

With respect to S&P, the table below:

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Debt Rating of Secondary Risk Counterparty	Individual Counterparty Limit	Aggregate Counterparty Limit
AAA	20.0%	20.0%
AA+/AA/AA-	10.0%	20.0%
A+	5.0%	20.0%
A or below	0.0%	0.0%

If any Secondary Risk Counterparty's long-term senior unsecured debt rating or short-term rating is on credit watch for possible downgrade by Moody's or S&P, then for the purposes of the table above, its rating by the Rating Agency putting its rating on credit watch shall be one rating notch lower for that Rating Agency.

**"Section 3(c)(7)":** Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act.

**"Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice":** A notice from the Issuer to the Noteholders (to be delivered in accordance with Sections 10.6(a) and (b)) substantially in the form of Exhibit G-1.

**"Secured High-Yield Bond":** A High-Yield Bond that is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**"Secured Loan":** A Loan that is secured by a valid and perfected security interest in specified collateral.

**"Secured Obligations":** The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Secured Parties":** The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

**"Securities":** The Notes and the Preference Shares.

**"Securities Act":** The United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

**"Securities Intermediary":** Any clearing corporation or any Person, including a bank or broker, that in the ordinary course of its business maintains securities accounts for others and is acting in that capacity.

**"Securities Lending Account":** The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(f).

**"Securities Lending Agreements":** The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**"Securities Lending Collateral":** The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**"Securities Lending Counterparty":** The meaning specified in Section 7.18.

**"Security Entitlement":** The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(17) of the UCC.

**"Selected Collateral Quality Tests":** The Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, the Weighted Average Spread Test, the Weighted Average Life Test (after taking into consideration any applicable Maturity Extension), the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test and the Diversity Test.

**"Senior Notes":** The Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes authorized by, and authenticated and delivered under, this Indenture or any supplemental indenture.

**"Senior Secured High-Yield Bond":** A Secured High-Yield Bond that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a first priority security interest in collateral that in the opinion of the Servicer has value at least equal to the amount of the High-Yield Bond.

**"Senior Secured Loan":** A Secured Loan that is not subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money, trade claims, capitalized leases, or other similar obligations, with a valid and perfected first priority security interest in collateral that in the opinion of the Servicer has value at least equal to the amount of the Loan and that is not a DIP Loan.

**"Senior Servicing Fee":** A fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.30% per annum of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Senior Servicing Fee shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

**"Senior Unsecured High-Yield Bond":** A High-Yield Bond that is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**"Senior Unsecured Loan":** A Loan that is not a Senior Secured Loan and is not (i) subordinated by its terms to indebtedness of the borrower for borrowed money and (ii) secured by a valid and perfected security interest in collateral.

**"Servicer":** Highland Capital Management, L.P., and any successor Servicer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement.

**"Servicing Agreement":** The Servicing Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Servicer, as modified, amended, and supplemented and in effect from time to time.

**"Servicing Fee Portion":** 100% minus (a) for any Payment Date from the Closing Date until (and including) the Payment Date in February 2008, the Class II Preference Share Percentage for such Payment Date and (b) for any other Payment Date, a percentage (between 0% and 100%) selected by the Servicer in its sole discretion and reported to the Trustee in writing on or before the related Determination Date; *provided* that, with respect to the Payment Date in May 2008, such percentage shall be a minimum of the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Percentage for such Payment Date and (ii) 3.3%.

**"Servicing Fees":** Collectively, the Senior Servicing Fee, the Subordinated Servicing Fee and the Supplemental Servicing Fee.

**"Share Trustee":** Maples Finance Limited.

**"Share Registrar":** Maples Finance Limited or any successor thereto.

**"Special Redemption":** The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**"Special Redemption Amount":** The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**"Special Redemption Date":** The meaning specified in Section 9.5.

**"Spread Excess":** As of any Measurement Date, a fraction whose:

- (i) numerator is the product of:
  - (A) the greater of zero and the excess of the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date over the Minimum Weighted Average Spread specified in the applicable row of the Ratings Matrix, and
  - (B) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date, and
- (ii) denominator is the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations (excluding any Non-Performing Collateral Obligations) held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date.

In computing the Spread Excess on any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Spread for the Measurement Date will be computed as if the Fixed Rate Excess were equal to zero.

**"Stated Maturity":** With respect to any Collateral Obligation, the maturity date specified in it or the applicable Underlying Instrument (or, if earlier, the first date on which any Person may be required by the Issuer to repurchase the entire principal amount of the Collateral Obligation at or above par) and with respect to the Notes of any Class, August 1, 2022 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Stated Maturity Date. Unless otherwise specified, "Stated Maturity" means the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

**"Structured Finance Obligation":** Any obligation (other than the Notes or any other security or obligation issued by the Issuer):

- (i) secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool of receivables or other assets of U.S. obligors, or obligors organized or incorporated in Moody's Group I Countries, Moody's Group II Countries, Moody's Group III Countries or Tax Advantaged Jurisdictions, including portfolio credit default swaps and collateralized debt obligations, but excludes:
  - (A) residential mortgage-backed securities;
  - (B) collateralized debt obligations backed by Emerging Market Securities;
  - (C) collateralized debt obligations primarily backed by asset-backed securities;
  - (D) market value collateralized debt obligations;
  - (E) securities backed by "future flow" receivables;
  - (F) securities backed by "trust preferred securities;"
  - (G) net interest margin securitizations;
  - (H) collateralized debt obligations a significant portion of which are backed by bonds; and

- (I) obligations secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool of receivables or other assets where the obligors with respect to such receivables or other assets are non-corporate credit risks; *provided* that, for the avoidance of doubt, collateralized loan obligations shall not be excluded by this clause (I);
- (ii) that has an S&P Rating;
- (iii) that has a rating and a Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate assigned by Moody's; and
- (iv) whose ownership or disposition (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) by the Issuer will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

In connection with the purchase of a Structured Finance Obligation, the Servicer shall obtain from Moody's the applicable Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate.

For purposes of the Diversity Test, multiple Structured Finance Obligations from CDOs serviced by the same Servicer or multiple Structured Finance Obligations issued by the same master trust will be considered to be obligations of one issuer.

**"Subordinated High-Yield Bond":** A Secured High-Yield Bond secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**"Subordinated Lien Loan":** A Secured Loan (other than a Second Lien Loan) secured by a second (or lower) priority security interest in the relevant collateral.

**"Subordinated Servicing Fee":** An amount equal to the sum of (i) a fee that accrues from the Closing Date payable to the Servicer in arrears on each Payment Date equal to 0.25% per annum of the Maximum Amount if and to the extent funds are available for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments and (ii) on any Payment Date that any part of the Subordinated Servicing Fee was not paid on the preceding Payment Date, an amount equal to interest on such unpaid amount at a rate of LIBOR for the applicable period plus 3.00% per annum. The portion of the Subordinated Servicing Fee in clauses (i) and (ii) above, as applicable, shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

**"Successor Entity":** The meaning specified in Section 7.10.

**"Super Majority":** With respect to any Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, the Holders of more than 66⅔% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of that Class or group of Notes or Preference Shares, as the case may be.

**"Supplemental Servicing Fee":** On each Payment Date, the fee payable to the Servicer in an amount equal to: (i) 20% of the remaining Interest Proceeds, if any, available after making the distributions on such Payment Date pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(i)(22) of the Priority of Payments and (ii) 20% of the remaining Principal Proceeds, if any, available for payment in respect of the Supplemental Servicing Fee pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(12)(A) of the Priority of Payments and, if applicable, Section 11.1(a)(ii)(15) of the Priority of Payments.

**"Synthetic Security":** Any swap transaction, structured bond, credit linked note or other derivative financial instrument providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a debt instrument (but

excluding any such instrument relating directly to a basket or portfolio of debt instruments) or an index or indices (such as the "SAMI" index published by Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC) in connection with a basket or portfolio of debt instruments or other similar instruments entered into by the Issuer with a Synthetic Security Counterparty that has in the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment, equivalent expected loss characteristics (those characteristics, "*credit risk*") to those of the related Reference Obligations (taking account of those considerations as they relate to the Synthetic Security Counterparty), if (i) it is either a Form-Approved Synthetic Security or the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied, and (ii) the Reference Obligations thereof have a Market Value equal to at least 85% of the Principal Balance of the Reference Obligation at the time the Synthetic Security is entered into.

Each Synthetic Security that is a credit default swap the Reference Obligations of which are Loans shall require each such Reference Obligation to be denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars.

The maturity, interest rate, and other non-credit characteristics of a Synthetic Security may be different from the Reference Obligations to which the credit risk of the Synthetic Security relates.

No Synthetic Security may require the Issuer to make any payment to the Synthetic Security Counterparty after its initial purchase other than any payments represented by the release of any cash collateral posted by the Issuer from the Collection Account to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into the Synthetic Security in an amount not exceeding the amount of the posted cash collateral. Collateral may be posted only to a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account. No Synthetic Security shall result in the Issuer being a "buyer" of credit protection.

The term Synthetic Security shall not include any Structured Finance Obligation or any Participation, but the Reference Obligation of a Synthetic Security may be a Structured Finance Obligation.

Each Synthetic Security Agreement shall contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those contained in this Indenture.

The ownership or disposition of any Synthetic Security (without regard to the Issuer's other activities) must not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business for United States federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to net income taxes.

Unless the Rating Condition is otherwise satisfied, any "deliverable obligation" that may be delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event" under any proposed Synthetic Security must not provide that its transfer to the Issuer is subject to obtaining any consents and must qualify (when the Issuer purchases the related Synthetic Security and when such "deliverable obligation" is delivered to the Issuer as a result of the occurrence of any "credit event") as a Collateral Obligation and satisfy the Concentration Limitations under this Indenture, except that such "deliverable obligation" may constitute a Defaulted Collateral Obligation when delivered upon a "credit event" and if the Reference Obligation of the Synthetic Security is a Senior Secured Loan then the "deliverable obligation" under the Synthetic Security must also be a Senior Secured Loan.

No Synthetic Security may provide for any event other than bankruptcy or a failure to pay as a "credit event."

No Synthetic Security shall provide for termination by the Synthetic Security Counterparty at any time (i) after a declaration of acceleration of Maturity of the Notes has been made upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, unless such declaration and its consequences may no longer be

rescinded and annulled in accordance with Section 5.2(c) and liquidation of the Collateral has begun or (ii) upon an Optional Redemption, unless the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date has passed and no notice of withdrawal has been issued.

For purposes of the Coverage Tests and the Retention Overcollateralization Test, unless the Rating Condition for each Rating Agency is satisfied in respect of any proposed alternative treatment, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the related Reference Obligations.

For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligation.

With respect to a Synthetic Security based upon or relating to a senior secured index providing non-leveraged credit exposure to a basket of credit default swaps referencing a diversified group of Reference Obligations, with respect to which the principal or notional amount of the credit exposure to any single Reference Obligation does not increase over time, for purposes of: (i) calculating compliance with the Diversity Test, the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test, and the Concentration Limitations (other than limits relating to payment characteristics and except for clauses 17 and 17(a) of the definition of "Concentration Limitations"), and all related definitions, and (ii) any other provision or definition of this Indenture involving a determination with respect to a Reference Obligation, the characteristics of such Reference Obligations shall be determined by treating such Synthetic Security as a direct interest of the Issuer in each such Reference Obligation in an amount equal to the Allocable Principal Balance of such Reference Obligation. In addition, each Reference Obligation under such Synthetic Security shall be assigned a Moody's Rating Factor equal to the sum of the Moody's Rating Factor of (i) the related Reference Obligor, (ii) the Synthetic Security Counterparty of such Synthetic Security and (iii) the Synthetic Security Collateral of such Synthetic Security. In addition, the Moody's Priority Category Rate in respect of a Synthetic Security referencing multiple Reference Obligations pursuant to this paragraph shall be the Moody's Priority Category Rate as assigned by Moody's to each Reference Obligation underlying such Synthetic Security. For the avoidance of doubt, Reference Obligations upon which a Synthetic Security is based as described in this paragraph must meet the definition of "Collateral Obligation" to the extent provided in this definition.

If the Rating Condition must be satisfied to execute the purchase of any Synthetic Security, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall give each applicable Rating Agency not less than five days' prior notice of the purchase of or entry into any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Agreement":** The documentation governing any Synthetic Security.

**"Synthetic Security Collateral":** With respect to any Synthetic Security, amounts posted to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account by the Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its obligations under the Synthetic Security, including (i) all Eligible Investments that mature no later



than the Stated Maturity or (ii) floating rate credit card securitizations that are rated "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P that mature no later than the Stated Maturity in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account that are purchased with Synthetic Security Collateral; *provided* that any amounts described in clause (ii) above shall be hedged by a guaranteed investment contract or a total return swap which shall be subject to Rating Confirmation by S&P.

**"Synthetic Security Collateral Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.3(e).

**"Synthetic Security Counterparty"**: An entity required to make payments on a Synthetic Security to the extent that a Reference Obligor makes payments on a related Reference Obligation.

**"Synthetic Security Counterparty Account"**: The trust account established pursuant to Section 10.5.

**"Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction"**: One of the Cayman Islands, Bermuda, the Netherlands Antilles or the tax advantaged jurisdiction of the Channel Islands, or such other jurisdiction that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto; *provided* that any Tax Advantaged Jurisdiction that is the jurisdiction of organization of an obligor of a Collateral Obligation other than obligors that are special purpose vehicles or issuers of Structured Finance Obligations shall have a Moody's foreign currency rating of at least "Aa2" and a S&P foreign currency rating of at least "AA-".

**"Tax Event"**: An event that occurs if either:

(i) (A) one or more Collateral Obligations that were not subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them have become subject to withholding tax (**"New Withholding Tax Obligations"**) or the rate of withholding has increased on one or more Collateral Obligations that were subject to withholding tax when the Issuer committed to purchase them (**"Increased Rate Withholding Tax Obligations"**) and (B) in any Due Period, the aggregate of the payments subject to withholding tax on New Withholding Tax Obligations and the increase in payments subject to withholding tax on Increased Rate Withholding Tax Obligations, in each case to the extent not "grossed-up" (on an after-tax basis) by the related obligor, represent 5% or more of Interest Proceeds for the Due Period; or

(ii) taxes, fees, assessments, or other similar charges are imposed on the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in an aggregate amount in any twelve-month period in excess of U.S.\$2,000,000, other than any deduction or withholding for or on account of any tax with respect to any payment owing in respect of any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation or Collateral Obligation.

**"Tax Opinion of Counsel"**: A written opinion addressed to the Issuer (a copy of which will be provided to the Trustee) and, if requested, each Rating Agency that has made such request, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and each Rating Agency, issued by a nationally recognized law firm reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee, which law firm is experienced in the relevant areas of tax law, and which law firm may be counsel for the Servicer or the Issuer.

**"Transaction Reports"**: The meaning specified in Section 14.4.

**"Transfer Agent"**: The Person or Persons, which may be the Issuer, authorized by the Issuer to exchange or register the transfer of Notes.

**"Transferee Certificate":** A certificate substantially in the form of, with respect to the Senior Notes, Exhibit B-1 or, with respect to the Class E Notes, Exhibit B-4 attached hereto, duly completed as appropriate.

**"Treasury Regulations":** The regulations, including proposed or temporary regulations, promulgated under the Code. References herein to specific provisions of proposed or temporary regulations shall include analogous provisions of final Treasury Regulations or other successor Treasury Regulations.

**"Trust Officer":** When used with respect to the Trustee, any officer in the Corporate Trust Office (or any successor group of the Trustee) including any director, vice president, assistant vice president, associate, or any other officer of the Trustee customarily performing functions similar to those performed by such officers in the Corporate Trust Office, or to whom any corporate trust matter is referred at the Corporate Trust Office because of his knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject and having direct responsibility for the administration of this Indenture.

**"Trustee":** As defined in the first sentence of this Indenture.

**"UCC":** The Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the State of New York, and as amended from time to time.

**"Uncertificated Security":** The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(18) of the UCC.

**"Underlying Instrument":** The loan agreement, indenture, credit agreement, or other agreement pursuant to which a Pledged Obligation has been issued or created and each other agreement that governs the terms of or secures the obligations represented by the Pledged Obligation or of which the holders of the Pledged Obligation are the beneficiaries.

**"Unfunded Amount":** With respect to any Revolving Loan or any Delayed Drawdown Loan at any time, the excess, if any, of (a) the Commitment Amount over (b) the Funded Amount thereof.

**"Unregistered Securities":** The meaning specified in Section 5.17(c).

**"Unscheduled Principal Payments":** Any principal payments received with respect to a Collateral Obligation as a result of optional redemptions, exchange offers, tender offers, other payments or prepayments made at the option of the issuer thereof or that are otherwise not scheduled to be made thereunder.

**"U.S. Person":** A beneficial owner of a Security that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a citizen or individual resident of the United States of America, an entity treated for United States federal income tax purposes as a corporation or a partnership created or organized in or under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof or the District of Columbia, an estate the income of which is includable in gross income for U.S. federal income tax purposes regardless of its source, or a trust if, in general, a court within the United States of America is able to exercise primary supervision over its administration and one or more U.S. Persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of such trust, and certain eligible trusts that have elected to be treated as U.S. Persons.

**"Valuation Report":** The meaning specified in Section 10.6(b).

**"Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon":** As of any Measurement Date, the rate obtained by:

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Fixed Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum rate at which it pays interest (other than, with respect to Collateral Obligations that are not PIK Securities, any interest that is not required to be paid in Cash and may be deferred), using only the effective after-tax interest rate determined by the Servicer on any Fixed Rate Obligation after taking into account any withholding tax or other deductions on account of tax of any jurisdiction and any gross-up paid by the obligor);

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);

(iii) dividing the sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations that are Fixed Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test, adding to the sum the amount of any Spread Excess as of the Measurement Date, but only to the extent required to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test.

**"Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test":** A test that is satisfied if, as of any Measurement Date, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon equals or exceeds 7.5%.

**"Weighted Average Life":** As of any Measurement Date, the number obtained by

(i) summing the products obtained by multiplying

(A) the Average Life at that time of each Collateral Obligation by

(B) the Principal Balance at that time of the Collateral Obligation and

(ii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance at that time of all Collateral Obligations.

**"Weighted Average Life Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life on that date of all Collateral Obligations is equal to or less than the greater of (a) the number of years (including any fraction of a year) between such Measurement Date and August 1, 2017 or, in the case of a Maturity Extension, the Extended Weighted Average Life Date and (b) 3 years.

**"Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor":** The summation of the products obtained by multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation (excluding Eligible Investments) by its respective Moody's Rating Factor, dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) and rounding the result up to the nearest whole number.

**"Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate is greater than or equal to 43.3%.

**"Weighted Average Rating Factor Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations (excluding Eligible Investments) as of such Measurement Date is less than or equal to the Maximum Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor.

**"Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the S&P Recovery Rate for each Class of Notes is greater than or equal to: (i) with respect to the Class A Notes, 63.0%; (ii) with respect to the Class B Notes, 65.0%; (iii) with respect to the Class C Notes, 67.0%; (iv) with respect to the Class D Notes, 69.0% and (v) with respect to the Class E Notes, 72.0%.

**"Weighted Average Spread":** As of any Measurement Date, a rate obtained by:

(i) multiplying the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that is a Floating Rate Obligation held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date by the current per annum contract spread at which it pays interest (which (w) for PIK Securities for which interest has been deferred or capitalized, will be deemed to be zero, (x) for Collateral Obligations that would be PIK Securities but for the proviso in the definition thereof, will be deemed to be equal to the effective rate of PIK Cash-Pay Interest applicable thereto, (y) for any Revolving Loan or Delayed Draw Loan, will be the per annum contract spread for the Funded Amount thereof and the rate of the commitment fee and such other fees payable to the Issuer for any Unfunded Amount thereof and (z) for any synthetic letter of credit, will be the all-in rate (including any fees payable to the Issuer by the underlying obligor) minus the applicable LIBOR), determined with respect to any Floating Rate Obligation that does not bear interest based on a London interbank offered rate, by expressing the current interest rate on the Floating Rate Obligation as a spread above a three month London interbank offered rate calculated in a manner consistent with the calculation of LIBOR;

(ii) summing the amounts determined pursuant to clause (i);

(iii) dividing that sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations held by the Issuer as of the Measurement Date; and

(iv) if the result obtained in clause (iii) is less than the minimum percentage rate specified to pass the Weighted Average Spread Test, adding to that sum the amount of Fixed Rate Excess as of the Measurement Date.

**"Weighted Average Spread Test":** A test that is satisfied as of any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Spread as of the Measurement Date equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Spread.

**"Workout Assets":** A Loan, High-Yield Bond, or Qualified Equity Security acquired in connection with the workout or restructuring of any Collateral Obligation that the Issuer does not advance any funds to purchase that does not qualify as a Collateral Obligation.

**"Written-Down Obligation":** As of any date of determination, any Structured Finance Obligation as to which the Issuer or the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, has been notified by the issuer of the Structured Finance Obligation that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Structured Finance Obligation and all other Structured Finance Obligations secured by the same pool of collateral that rank *pari passu* with or senior in priority of payment to the Structured Finance Obligation exceeds the aggregate principal balance (including reserved interest or other amounts available for overcollateralization) of all collateral securing the Structured Finance Obligation and such other *pari passu* and senior Structured Finance Obligations (excluding defaulted collateral).

**"Zero-Coupon Security":** A security that, at the time of determination, does not make periodic payments of interest. A Zero-Coupon Security shall not include a security that is a PIK Security.

Section 1.2. *Assumptions as to Pledged Obligations; Construction Conventions.*

This Section 1.2 shall be applied in connection with all calculations required to be made pursuant to this Indenture:

- with respect to the scheduled payment of principal or interest on any Pledged Obligation, or any payments on any other assets included in the Collateral,
- with respect to the sale of and acquisition of Collateral Obligations,
- with respect to the income that can be earned on the scheduled payment of principal or interest on the Pledged Obligations and on any other amounts that may be received for deposit in the Collection Account, and
- with respect to the treatment of Collateral Obligations loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement.

The provisions of this Section 1.2 shall be applicable to any determination or calculation that is covered by this Section 1.2, whether or not reference is specifically made to Section 1.2, unless some other method of calculation or determination is expressly specified in the particular provision.

(a) All calculations with respect to the scheduled payment of principal or interest on the Pledged Obligations shall be made on the basis of information as to the terms of each Pledged Obligation and on reports of payments received on the Pledged Obligation that are furnished by or on behalf of the issuer of the Pledged Obligation and, to the extent they are not manifestly in error, the information or report may be conclusively relied on in making the calculations.

(b) For each Due Period and as of any Measurement Date, the scheduled payment of principal or interest on any Pledged Obligation shall be the sum of

(i) the total amount of payments and collections reasonably expected to be received during the Due Period in respect of the Pledged Obligation that, if paid as scheduled, will be available for payment on the Notes and of certain expenses of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer in the Collection Account at the end of the Due Period; and

(ii) any such amounts received in prior Due Periods that were not disbursed on a previous Payment Date.

Except as provided in paragraph (h) below, a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation shall be assumed to have a scheduled payment of principal and interest of zero.

The total amount of payments and collections reasonably expected to be received includes the proceeds of the sale of the Pledged Obligation received and, in the case of sales which have not yet settled, to be received during the Due Period and not used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty, Securities Lending Counterparty, or Hedge Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security, Securities Lending Agreement, or Hedge Agreement) or Eligible Investments or retained in the Collection Account for subsequent application thereof to purchase additional Collateral Obligations pursuant to Section 12.2.

(c) For purposes of the applicable determinations required by Article 12 and the definition of "Interest Coverage Ratio," the expected interest on Collateral Obligations shall be calculated using their then current interest rates.

(d) With respect to any Collateral Obligation, the date on which it "matures" (or its "maturity" date) shall be the earlier of

(i) the stated maturity of the obligation or

(ii) if the Issuer has the right to require the issuer or obligor of the Collateral Obligation to purchase, redeem, or retire the Collateral Obligation at a price of at least par on any one or more dates before its Stated Maturity (a "put right") and the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that it will cause the Issuer to direct the Trustee to exercise the put right on a date, the maturity date shall be the date specified in the certification.

(e) For purposes of calculating compliance with the Collateral Quality Tests (other than the Diversity Test and the S&P Industry Classification with respect to the S&P CDO Monitor Test), the Coverage Tests, and the Retention Overcollateralization Test and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not of the Reference Obligation. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations other than limits relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of its Reference Obligations and not the Synthetic Security. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Concentration Limitations relating to payment characteristics, and all related definitions, unless otherwise specified in this Indenture or by the Rating Agencies, a Synthetic Security shall be included as a Collateral Obligation having the characteristics of the Synthetic Security and not its Reference Obligations.

(f) Any Collateral Obligation loaned to a Securities Lending Counterparty shall be included in the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests, and the Retention Overcollateralization Test and the Principal Balance of any Collateral Obligation loaned to a Securities Lending Counterparty shall be included in the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations, in each case unless an "event of default" (under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement) is continuing.

(g) If a Class of Notes ceases to be Outstanding, then any Coverage Test computed by reference to the Class of Notes (but not to any subordinate Class of Notes then Outstanding) shall cease to be of any force.

(h) For purposes of calculating compliance with the Eligibility Criteria (other than the Weighted Average Life Test), at the direction of the Servicer by notice to the Trustee, during the Replacement Period any Eligible Investment representing Principal Proceeds received upon the maturity, redemption, sale, or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation (or, after the Replacement Period, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations) shall be deemed to have the characteristics of the disposed Collateral Obligation until used to purchase an additional Collateral Obligation. The calculations shall be based on the Principal Balance of the disposed Collateral Obligations except in the case of Defaulted Collateral Obligations and Credit Risk Securities, in which case the calculations will be based on the Principal Proceeds received on the disposition or sale of the Defaulted Collateral Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation.

(i) The calculation on any Coverage Test on any Determination Date shall be made by giving effect to all payments to be made pursuant to all subclauses of the Priority of Payments as applicable, payable on the Payment Date following such Determination Date. In addition no Principal Proceeds will be used to pay a subordinated Class on a Payment Date if, after giving effect to such payment, any Coverage Test of a more senior Class of Notes is failing on such Payment Date or would fail as a result of such application of the Principal Proceeds on such Payment Date.

Section 1.3. ***Rules of Interpretation.***

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture or unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

(a) Defined terms include, as appropriate, all genders and the plural as well as the singular.

(b) References to designated articles, sections, subsections, exhibits, and other subdivisions of this Indenture, such as "Section 6.13 (a)", refer to the designated article, section, subsection, exhibit, or other subdivision of this Indenture as a whole and to all subdivisions of the designated article, section, subsection, exhibit, or other subdivision. The words "herein", "hereof", "hereto", "hereunder" and other words of similar import refer to this Indenture as a whole and not to any particular article, section, exhibit, or other subdivision of this Indenture.

(c) Any term that relates to a document or a statute, rule, or regulation includes any amendments, modifications, supplements, or any other changes that may have occurred since the document, statute, rule, or regulation came into being, including changes that occur after the date of this Indenture. References to law are not limited to statutes. Any reference to any Person includes references to its successors and assigns.

(d) Any party may execute any of the requirements under this Indenture either directly or through others, and the right to cause something to be done rather than doing it directly shall be implicit in every requirement under this Indenture. Unless a provision is restricted as to time or limited as to frequency, all provisions under this Indenture are implicitly available and things may happen from time to time.

(e) The term "including" and all its variations mean "including but not limited to." Except when used in conjunction with the word "either", the word "or" is always used inclusively (for example, the phrase "A or B" means "A or B or both", not "either A or B but not both").

(f) A reference to "a thing" or "any of a thing" does not imply the existence or occurrence of the thing referred to even though not followed by "if any", and "any of a thing" is any and all of it. A reference to the plural of anything as to which there could be either one or more than one does not imply the existence of more than one (for instance, the phrase "the obligors on a note" means "the obligor or obligors on a note"). "Until something occurs" does not imply that it must occur, and will not be modified by the word "unless." The word "due" and the word "payable" are each used in the sense that the stated time for payment has passed. The word "accrued" is used in its accounting sense, i.e., an amount paid is no longer accrued. In the calculation of amounts of things, differences and sums may generally result in negative numbers, but when the calculation of the excess of one thing over another results in zero or a negative number, the calculation is disregarded and an "excess" does not exist. Portions of things may be expressed as fractions or percentages interchangeably. The word "shall" is used in its imperative sense, as for instance meaning a party agrees to something or something must occur or exist.

(g) All accounting terms used in an accounting context and not otherwise defined, and accounting terms partly defined in this Indenture, to the extent not completely defined, shall be construed in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. To the extent that the definitions of accounting terms in this Indenture are inconsistent with their meanings under generally accepted accounting principles, the definitions contained in this Indenture shall control.

(h) In the computation of a period of time from a specified date to a later specified date or an open-ended period, the words "from" and "beginning" mean "from and including", the word "after" means "from but excluding," the words "to" and "until" mean "to but excluding", and the word "through" means "to and including." Likewise, in setting deadlines or other periods, "by" means "on or before." The words "preceding", "following", "before", "after", "next" and words of similar import, mean immediately preceding or following. References to a month or a year refer to calendar months and calendar years.

(i) Any reference to the enforceability of any agreement against a party means that it is enforceable against the party in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, and other similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles.

(j) Except when only the registered holder is recognized, such as in Section 2.9., references to Noteholders, holders, and the like refer equally to beneficial owners who have an interest in a Note but are not reflected in the Indenture Register as the owner.

## ARTICLE 2

### THE NOTES

#### Section 2.1. *Forms Generally.*

The Notes and the Trustee's or Authenticating Agent's certificate of authentication on them (the "**Certificate of Authentication**") shall be in substantially the forms required by this Article, with appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions, and other variations required or permitted by this Indenture, and may have any letters, numbers, or other marks of identification and any legends or endorsements on them that are consistent with this Indenture, as determined by the Authorized Officers of the Issuer executing the Notes as evidenced by their execution of the Notes.

#### Section 2.2. *Forms of Notes and Certificate of Authentication.*

(a) The Senior Notes, including the Regulation S Global Notes, Rule 144A Global Notes and Certificate of Authentication, shall be in the forms of the applicable portion of Exhibit A-1.

(b) *Regulation S Global Notes.* The Senior Notes of each Class sold to non-U.S. persons in off-shore transactions in reliance on Regulation S shall each be represented by one or more global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit A-1, including legends (the "**Regulation S Global Notes**"). The global notes shall be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for the Senior Notes represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, the Depository for the respective accounts of Euroclear and Clearstream, duly executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided. The aggregate principal amount of the Regulation S Global Notes may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee or the Depository or its nominee, as the case may be, as hereinafter



provided. As used above and in subsection (d) below, "U.S. person" and "off-shore transaction" have the meanings assigned to them in Regulation S.

(c) *Rule 144A Global Notes.* The Senior Notes of each Class initially sold to U.S. persons that are Qualified Institutional Buyers (or, solely in the case of certain Holders purchasing Class E Notes on the Closing Date, Institutional Accredited Investors) and Qualified Purchasers shall each be issued initially in the form of one permanent global note per Class in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of the applicable portion of Exhibit A-1, including legends (each, a "**Rule 144A Global Note**"), which shall be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for the Senior Notes represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, the Depository, duly executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided. The aggregate principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Notes may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee or the Depository or its nominee, as the case may be, as hereinafter provided.

(d) *Book-Entry Provisions.* This Section 2.2(d) shall apply only to Global Notes deposited with or on behalf of the Depository. The "Operating Procedures of the Euroclear System" of Euroclear and the "Terms and Conditions Governing Use of Participants" of Clearstream, respectively, shall be applicable to the Regulation S Global Notes insofar as interests in the Global Notes are held by the Agent Members of Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be.

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

(e) The Class E Notes shall be issued in the form of one or more certificated Class E Notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons substantially in the form of Exhibit A-2, including legends (each, a "**Certificated Class E Note**"), which shall be registered in the name of the owner thereof.

### Section 2.3. *Authorized Amount; Denominations.*

(a) The aggregate principal amount of Notes that may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture is limited to U.S.\$920,000,000, except for Notes authenticated and delivered upon registration of, transfer of, or in exchange for, or in lieu of, other Notes pursuant to Section 2.6, 2.7, or 8.5.

(b) The Notes shall be divided into the following Classes, having the designations, original principal amounts and other characteristics as follows:

Class	A-1-A	A-1-B	B	C	D	E
Original Principal Amount	\$570,500,000	\$142,500,000	\$80,000,000	\$53,500,000	\$36,000,000	\$37,500,000
Interest Rate	LIBOR + 0.225%	LIBOR + 0.340%	LIBOR + 0.440%	LIBOR + 0.850%	LIBOR + 2.350%	LIBOR + 4.300%
Initial Rating (Moody's/S&P)	Aaa/AAA	Aaa/AAA	Aa2/AA	A2/A	Baa2/BBB	Ba2/BB

(c) The Notes will be issuable in minimum denominations of U.S.\$250,000, and integral multiples of U.S.\$1,000 in excess of that amount.

(d) The Issuer will also issue 39,000 Class I Preference Shares and 41,000 Class II Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, simultaneously with the issuance of the Notes under this Indenture. At any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the proceeds from such issuance and sale to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or as otherwise permitted under the Preference Share Documents and this Indenture pursuant to Section 6 of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. The Preference Shares are not secured by the lien of this Indenture. Any payments made by the Trustee hereunder with respect to the Preference Shares (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) will be released by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent on each Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment, subject to Cayman Islands law, to Holders of the Preference Shares as dividends or Redemption Price, as applicable.

**Section 2.4. *Extension of Replacement Period and Stated Maturity.***

(a) The Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, shall be entitled on each Extension Effective Date to extend the Replacement Period to the applicable Extended Replacement Period End Date up to a maximum of four times if (i) in the case of an Extension Effective Date occurring after the first Extension Effective Date, the Issuer has previously effected a Maturity Extension for each preceding Extension Effective Date in accordance with this Section 2.4 and (ii) the Extension Conditions set forth in Section 2.4(c) are satisfied and the Issuer has given written notice of its election to extend the Replacement Period to the Trustee no later than 60 days and no earlier than 90 days prior to such Extension Effective Date. If the Extension Conditions are satisfied, the Stated Maturity of the Notes shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Stated Maturity Date and the Weighted Average Life Test shall be automatically extended to the related Extended Weighted Average Life Date, without any requirement for approval or consent of any Holders of Notes or Preference Shares or amendment or supplement to this Indenture or the Preference Share Documents (the "**Maturity Extension**"); provided that the Issuer will not be permitted to effect more than four Maturity Extensions.

(b) In the case of a Maturity Extension, any Holder of Securities wishing to sell such Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser pursuant to the Extension Conditions must provide the applicable Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period pursuant to Section 2.4(d) (such Securities as to which an Extension Sale Notice has been duly given, "**Extension Sale Securities**"). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in connection with an Extension Sale, all, but not part, of the Extension Sale Securities shall be purchased and settled at the applicable Extension Purchase Price on the applicable Extension Effective Date.

(c) The Maturity Extension shall be effective only if the following conditions (the "**Extension Conditions**") are satisfied:

(i) the purchase of all Extension Sale Securities has been settled by the designated Extension Qualifying Purchasers at the applicable Extension Purchase Price as of the applicable Extension Effective Date;

(ii) all such purchases of Extension Sale Securities individually and in the aggregate comply with the applicable transfer restrictions in this Indenture and the Preference Share Documents immediately after such purchase and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable law, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, rules, regulations and procedures of any applicable securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency);

(iii) (a) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to S&P (so long as any Notes are then rated by S&P) and (b) the Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect to Moody's (so long as any Notes are then rated by Moody's);

(iv) the Issuer has not effected more than three prior Extensions; and

(v) such extension is not effected for the primary purpose of decreasing losses or recognizing gains resulting from market value changes.

The Issuer, the Trustee and, by its acceptance of the Notes, each Noteholder agrees that neither of the Initial Purchasers shall be responsible for causing the Extension Conditions to be satisfied and neither of the Initial Purchasers shall be liable to any such Person or Noteholders (whether or not such Holder gave an Extension Sale Notice with respect to its Notes) or to any other Person if the Extension Conditions are not satisfied. Failure of the Extension Conditions to be satisfied shall not constitute a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture.

(d) Extension Procedure.

(i) Not later than three Business Days following receipt by the Trustee of the notice given by the Issuer of its election to extend the Replacement Period (the "**Extension Notice**"), the Trustee shall mail the Extension Notice to all Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding), in the form of Exhibit I, and shall request the Rating Confirmation for the Maturity Extension from each Rating Agency, if applicable;

(ii) Any Holder of the Securities may deliver an irrevocable notice (an "**Extension Sale Notice**") to the Issuer and the Trustee within 30 days after the Trustee has mailed the Extension Notice (the "**Extension Sale Notice Period**") of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in the case of a Maturity Extension. Any Extension Sale Notice received by the Trustee after the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be disregarded and deemed not to have been given. No Holder of the Securities that has not delivered such an Extension Sale Notice within the Extension Sale Notice Period shall be entitled to sell its Securities to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser in connection with the Maturity Extension; and

(iii) If clause (iii)(b) of the Extension Conditions is not satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date as determined by the Issuer (or its agent), the Trustee shall request the Rating Condition to be satisfied with respect to Moody's.

(e) On the applicable Extension Determination Date, the Issuer (or its agent) shall confirm (i) whether or not Extension Qualifying Purchasers for all Extension Sale Securities have been designated to purchase such Extension Sale Securities in compliance with all transfer restrictions in this Indenture and the Preference Share Documents and the legends on such Extension Sale Securities and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency), (ii) whether the requirements of clause (c)(iii) of the Extension Conditions are satisfied as of the applicable Extension Determination Date and (iii) whether all other Extension Conditions can be satisfied as of the applicable Extension Effective Date.

(f) On each Extension Effective Date, the Maturity Extension shall automatically become effective under the terms of this Indenture; provided that all Extension Conditions set forth in clauses (a) and (c) above are satisfied (as certified to the Trustee by a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer). No later than two Business Days after each Extension Effective Date, the Trustee based on a determination made by the Issuer in consultation with the Servicer, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail a notice to all Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer, the Initial Purchasers, each Rating Agency (so long as any rated Notes are Outstanding) and the Irish Stock Exchange (if and for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed thereon) confirming whether or not the Maturity Extension became effective. If the Maturity Extension became effective, the Issuer shall make any required notifications thereof to the Depository for any Notes subject to the Maturity Extension.

(g) In the case of a Maturity Extension, each Noteholder, other than a Holder of Extension Sale Securities, shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the applicable Extension Bonus Payment. Holders of Preference Shares shall not be entitled to receive any Extension Bonus Payment.

The Extension Bonus Payment shall be payable to any applicable qualifying beneficial owners who have provided the Trustee with an Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification on the first Payment Date from and including each Extension Effective Date on which funds are available to be used for such purposes in accordance with Priority of Payments, but in any event, no later than the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption of the Notes. Extension Bonus Payments which are not available to be paid on a Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments shall not be considered "due and payable" hereunder. The failure to pay any such Extension Bonus Payment on such date shall not be an Event of Default, unless the Issuer shall fail to pay in full such Extension Bonus Payment on the earlier of the Stated Maturity and the date of redemption in full of the relevant Securities. Unpaid Extension Bonus Payments shall not accrue interest. Such amounts shall be paid, in the case of the Notes, to the accounts designated in the applicable Extension Bonus Eligibility Certification or, to the extent otherwise required by the rules of any applicable securities exchange or clearing agency, in a manner determined by the Issuer.

(h) If any Holder of Class II Preference Shares delivers an Extension Sale Notice notifying the Issuer and the Trustee of its intention to sell all or a portion of its Class II Preference Shares, such Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to the Extension Qualifying Purchaser and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares.

#### **Section 2.5. *Execution, Authentication, Delivery, and Dating.***

The Notes shall be executed on behalf of each of the Applicable Issuers by one of their respective Authorized Officers. The signature of the Authorized Officer on the Notes may be manual or facsimile.

Notes bearing the manual or facsimile signatures of individuals who were at any time the Authorized Officers of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, shall bind the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, notwithstanding that any of them have ceased to hold their offices before the authentication and delivery of the Notes or did not hold their offices at the date of issuance of the Notes.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Indenture, the Co-Issuers may deliver the Senior Notes and the Issuer may deliver the Class E Notes, in each case executed by the Applicable Issuers to the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent for authentication and the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent, upon Issuer Order, shall authenticate and deliver the Notes as provided in this Indenture and not otherwise.

Each Note authenticated and delivered by the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent upon Issuer Order on the Closing Date shall be dated as of the Closing Date. All other Notes that are authenticated after the Closing Date for any other purpose under this Indenture shall be dated the date of their authentication.

Notes issued upon transfer, exchange, or replacement of other Notes shall be issued in authorized denominations reflecting the original Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes so transferred, exchanged, or replaced, but shall represent only the current outstanding principal amount of the Notes so transferred, exchanged, or replaced. If any Note is divided into more than one Note in accordance with this Article 2, the original principal amount of the Note shall be proportionately divided among the Notes delivered in exchange for it and shall be the original aggregate principal amount of the subsequently issued Notes.

No Note shall be entitled to any benefit under this Indenture or be valid or obligatory for any purpose, unless there appears on the Note a Certificate of Authentication executed by the Trustee or by the Authenticating Agent by the manual signature of one of their Authorized Officers, and that certificate on any Note shall be conclusive evidence, and the only evidence, that the Note has been duly authenticated and delivered under this Indenture.

#### Section 2.6. *Registration, Registration of Transfer and Exchange.*

(a) The Issuer shall cause a register (the "**Indenture Register**") to be kept in which the Issuer shall provide for the registration of Notes and the registration of transfers of Notes. The Trustee is hereby initially appointed "**Indenture Registrar**" for the purpose of registering Notes and transfers of the Notes as provided in this Indenture. The Issuer may rely conclusively on any such information provided to it by the Trustee. Upon any resignation or removal of the Indenture Registrar, the Issuer shall promptly appoint a successor and notify the Servicer of the appointment or, in the absence of such appointment, assume the duties of Indenture Registrar.

If the Issuer appoints a Person other than the Trustee to be Indenture Registrar, the Issuer will give the Trustee prompt written notice of the appointment of the Indenture Registrar and of the location, and any change in the location, of the Indenture Register. The Trustee may inspect the Indenture Register at all reasonable times and obtain copies of it. The Trustee may rely on a certificate executed on behalf of the Indenture Registrar by an Officer of the Indenture Registrar as to the names and addresses of the Noteholders and the principal amounts and number of the Notes.

Upon surrender for registration of transfer of any Notes at the office or agency of the Applicable Issuers to be maintained pursuant to Section 7.2, if the requirements of this Indenture are met the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in the name of the designated transferees, new Notes of any authorized denomination and of a like original Aggregate Outstanding Amount.

At the option of their Holder, Notes may be exchanged for Notes of like terms, in any authorized denominations and of like aggregate principal amount, upon surrender of the Notes to be exchanged at the office or agency of the Applicable Issuers to be maintained pursuant to Section 7.2. Whenever any Note is surrendered for exchange, the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, the Notes that the Noteholder making the exchange is entitled to receive.

All Notes issued on any registration of transfer or exchange of Notes shall be the valid obligations of the Applicable Issuers evidencing the same obligations and entitled to the same benefits under this Indenture as the Notes surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

Every Note presented or surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange shall be duly endorsed, or be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Indenture Registrar duly executed by its holder or his attorney duly authorized in writing.

No Holder shall incur a service charge for any registration of transfer or exchange of the Notes, but the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

(b) No Note may be sold or transferred (including by pledge or hypothecation) unless the sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, is exempt from the registration requirements under applicable state securities laws, and will not cause either of the Co-Issuers to become subject to the requirement that it register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act. None of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee or any other Person shall have any obligation to register the Notes under the Securities Act or any state securities laws.

(c) (i) No Note or interest therein may be transferred to any purchaser or transferee unless such purchase, holding and disposition of such Note will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any federal, state, foreign or local law that is substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code).

(ii) No person shall be permitted to acquire any Class E Note if such acquisition would result in persons who have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of the Class E Notes immediately after such sale or transfer (excluding, as described below, for purposes of such determination any Class E Notes held by any Controlling Person (as defined below) and its affiliates (as defined below)) determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA. Under the Plan Asset Regulation, an "affiliate" of a person includes any person, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controlling, controlled by or under common control with the person, and "control" with respect to a person other than an individual, means the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of such person. In making the 25% determination, Class E Notes held by any person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer or any affiliate of any such person (any such person, a "**Controlling Person**") (such as the Class E Notes held by the Servicer or its affiliates) will be disregarded and not treated as outstanding.

(iii) Any person described in paragraph (i) and (ii) above is referred to herein as a "**Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor**." Any transfer of a beneficial interest to a Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor shall be void and any such purported transfer of which the

Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee has notice may be disregarded by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Trustee for all purposes.

(d) None of the Trustee, the Share Registrar or the Indenture Registrar shall be responsible for ascertaining whether any transfer complies with, or for otherwise monitoring or determining compliance with, the requirements or terms of the Securities Act, applicable state securities laws, ERISA, the Code or the Investment Company Act; except that if a certificate or any other document is specifically required by this Section 2.6 to be provided to the Trustee or such Registrar by a prospective transferee, the Trustee and such Registrar, as applicable, shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine whether it conforms substantially on its face to the applicable requirements of this Section 2.6.

(e) For so long as any of the Notes are Outstanding, the Issuer shall not issue or register the transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares to U.S. persons and the Co-Issuer shall not issue or register the transfer of any of its shares of the Co-Issuer to U.S. persons. As used in this subsection (e), "U.S. person" has the meaning assigned to it in Regulation S.

(f) So long as a Global Note remains Outstanding and is held by or on behalf of the Depository, transfers of the Global Note, in whole or in part, shall only be made in accordance with Section 2.2(c), Section 2.6(c) and this Section 2.6(f).

(i) Subject to clauses (ii), (iii) and (iv) of this Section 2.6(f), transfers of a Global Note shall be limited to transfers of the Global Note in whole, but not in part, to nominees of the Depository.

(ii) *Rule 144A Global Note to Regulation S Global Note.* If a Holder of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Note deposited with the Depository wishes at any time to exchange its interest in the Rule 144A Global Note for an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note, or to transfer its interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to a Person who wishes to take delivery of it in the form of an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note, the Holder may exchange or transfer the interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note (subject to the rules and procedures of the Depository) if the Holder after the exchange or transfer is not a U.S. person.

The Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository to reduce the principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Note and to increase the principal amount of the Regulation S Global Note by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to be exchanged, and to credit to the securities account of the Person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note equal to the reduction in the principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Note upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of

(A) instructions given in accordance with the Depository's procedures from an Agent Member directing the Indenture Registrar to credit a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Note, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to the Holder's Senior Notes, equal to the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note to be exchanged or transferred,

(B) a written order given in accordance with the Depository's procedures containing information regarding the participant account of the Depository and the Euroclear or Clearstream account to be credited with the increase,



(C) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-3 given by the Holder of the beneficial interest stating that the exchange or transfer of the interest has been made in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Global Notes, including that the Holder or the transferee, as applicable, is not a U.S. person, and that the transfer has been made pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S, and

(D) in the case of a transfer, a certificate in the applicable form of Exhibit B-1 given by the proposed transferee stating that it is not a U.S. person.

(iii) *Regulation S Global Note to Rule 144A Global Note.* If a Holder of a Senior Note held as a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note deposited with the Depository wishes at any time to exchange its interest in the Regulation S Global Note for an interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note or to transfer its interest in the Regulation S Global Note to a Person who wishes to take delivery of it in the form of an interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note, the Holder may, subject to the rules and procedures of Euroclear, Clearstream or the Depository, as the case may be, exchange or transfer, or cause the exchange or transfer of, the interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note. Upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of:

(A) instructions from Euroclear, Clearstream or the Depository, as the case may be, directing the Indenture Registrar to cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note equal to the beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Note, but not less than the minimum denomination applicable to the Holder's Senior Notes, to be exchanged or transferred, the instructions to contain information regarding the participant account with the Depository to be credited with the increase,

(B) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-2 given by the Holder of the beneficial interest and stating that, in the case of an exchange, the Holder is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and a Qualified Purchaser or, in the case of a transfer, the Person transferring the interest in the Regulation S Global Note reasonably believes that the Person acquiring the interest in a Rule 144A Global Note is a Qualified Institutional Buyer, is obtaining the beneficial interest in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction, and a Qualified Purchaser, and

(C) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-1 given by the proposed transferee stating that it is a QIB/QP,

the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository to reduce the Regulation S Global Note by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Note to be transferred or exchanged and the Indenture Registrar shall instruct the Depository, concurrently with the reduction, to credit to the securities account of the Person specified in the instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Note equal to the reduction in the principal amount of the Regulation S Global Note.

(iv) *Other Exchanges.* If a Global Note is exchanged for Senior Notes in definitive registered form without interest coupons pursuant to Section 2.11, the Senior Notes may be exchanged for one another only in accordance with procedures substantially consistent with the provisions above (including certification requirements intended to insure



that the transfers are made only to Holders who are QIB/QPs or non-U.S. persons, or otherwise comply with Regulation S, as the case may be), and as may be from time to time adopted by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee.

(g) So long as the Class E Notes remain Outstanding transfers of such Class E Notes shall only be made in accordance with Section 2.6(c) and this Section 2.6(g) upon receipt by the Indenture Registrar of a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-4 given by the proposed transferee stating that it is a QIB/QP and containing other representations, warranties and agreements of such transferee.

(h) If the Notes are issued upon the transfer, exchange, or replacement of Notes bearing the applicable legends in the applicable forms in Exhibit A, as applicable, and if a request is made to remove the legend on the Notes, the legend shall not be removed unless the Trustee and the Applicable Issuers received satisfactory evidence, which may include an Opinion of Counsel acceptable to them, reasonably required by the Applicable Issuers (and which shall by its terms permit reliance by the Trustee), to the effect that neither the legend nor the restrictions on transfer in it are required to ensure that transfers of the Notes comply with the Securities Act, the Investment Company Act, ERISA and the Code. Upon provision of satisfactory evidence, the Trustee or its Authenticating Agent, at the written direction of the Applicable Issuers shall, after due execution by the Applicable Issuers authenticate and deliver Notes that do not bear the applicable legend.

(i) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Section 2.6 to the contrary:

(i) Restrictions on U.S. Transfers. Transfers of an interest in a Regulation S Global Note that are not made in an offshore transaction pursuant to Regulation S or are made to U.S. Persons, if such transferees take delivery in the form of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note, shall be limited to transfers made pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.6(f)(iii) and Section 2.6(f)(iv).

(ii) Beneficial interests in a Regulation S Global Note may only be held through Euroclear or Clearstream.

(j) (i) Each Person who becomes a beneficial owner of a Senior Note evidenced by: (A) an interest in a Definitive Note, shall make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in the applicable Transferee Certificate set forth in Exhibit B-1 upon such Person's purchase or other acquisition of the relevant Definitive Note and (B) an interest in a Global Note, shall be deemed to make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in the applicable legends of the Notes set forth in Exhibit A-1 hereto and in the applicable Transferee Certificate set forth in Exhibit B-1 hereto upon such Person's purchase or other acquisition of the relevant Global Note.

(ii) Each Person who becomes a beneficial owner of a Class E Note shall make the representations, warranties and agreements set forth in the Transferee Certificate set forth in Exhibit B-4 upon such Person's purchase or other acquisition of such Class E Note.

(k) The aggregate principal amount of any Global Note may be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee, as custodian for DTC for the Global Note, which adjustments shall be conclusive as to the aggregate principal amount of any Global Note.

(l) Any purported transfer of a Note not in accordance with this Section 2.6 shall be null and void.

**Section 2.7. *Mutilated, Destroyed, Lost or Stolen Notes.***

If the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, and the relevant Transfer Agent receive evidence to their satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of any Note, and they receive the security or indemnity they require to hold each of them harmless, or if any mutilated Note is surrendered to a Transfer Agent, then, in the absence of notice to the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, or the Transfer Agent that the Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the Applicable Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in exchange for the mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Note, a replacement Note, of like tenor and equal principal or face amount.

If, after delivery of the replacement Note or payment on it, a protected purchaser of the predecessor Note presents it for payment, transfer, or exchange, the Applicable Issuers, the Transfer Agent, and the Trustee may recover the replacement Note (or the payment on it) from the Person to whom it was delivered or any Person taking the replacement Note from the Person to whom the replacement Note was delivered or any assignee of that Person, except a protected purchaser, and may recover on the security or indemnity provided therefor to the extent of any loss, damage, cost, or expense incurred by the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee, and the Transfer Agent in connection with it.

If the final payment in respect of any mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Note has become payable, the Applicable Issuers in their discretion may, instead of issuing a new Note pay the Note without requiring its surrender except that any mutilated Note shall be surrendered.

Upon the issuance of any new Note under this Section, the Applicable Issuers or the Trustee may require the payment by its holder of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with the issuance and any other expenses (including the fees and expenses of the Trustee) connected with it.

Every new Note issued pursuant to this Section in replacement for any mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Note shall be an original additional contractual obligation of the Applicable Issuers and the new Note shall be entitled to all the benefits of this Indenture equally and proportionately with all other Notes of the same Class duly issued under this Indenture, as applicable.

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

**Section 2.8. *Payment of Principal and Interest and Other Amounts; Principal and Interest Rights Preserved; Withholding.***

(a) The Notes of each Class shall accrue interest during each Interest Period on their Aggregate Outstanding Amount (determined as of the first day of the Interest Period and after giving effect to any redemption or other payment of principal occurring on that day) at the Applicable Note Interest Rate. Interest shall be payable in arrears on each Payment Date. Payment of interest on each Class of Notes shall be subordinated to the payments of interest on the related Priority Classes and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

So long as any Priority Classes are Outstanding with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes, any payment of interest due on the Class of Deferred Interest Notes that is not available to be paid ("*Deferred Interest*") in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date shall not be considered "payable" for the purposes of this Indenture (and the failure to pay the interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the Payment Date on which the interest is available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Deferred Interest on any Class of

Deferred Interest Notes shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for that purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Interest shall cease to accrue on each Note, or in the case of a partial repayment, on the part repaid, from the date of repayment or its Stated Maturity unless payment of principal is improperly withheld or unless there is some other default with respect to the payments of principal.

To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on Deferred Interest with respect to any Class of Deferred Interest Notes shall accrue at the Note Interest Rate for the Class (and to the extent not paid as current interest on the Payment Date after the Interest Period in which it accrues, shall thereafter be additional Deferred Interest, until paid as provided in this Indenture).

(b) The principal of each Note of each Class matures at par and is payable on the Payment Date that is the Stated Maturity for the Class of Notes, unless the unpaid principal of the Note becomes payable at an earlier date by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the payment of principal of each Class of Notes:

(i) may only occur after principal on each Class of Notes that is a Priority Class with respect to the Class has been paid in full; and

(ii) is subordinated to the payment on each Payment Date of the principal and interest payable on the Priority Classes, and other amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments;

provided that, notwithstanding the foregoing, Interest Proceeds may be used to pay principal of the Class E Notes on any Payment Date to the extent necessary to satisfy the Class E Coverage Tests.

(c) Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Section 9.1.

(d) As a condition to the payment of principal of and interest on any Note without the imposition of U.S. withholding tax, the Paying Agent shall require the previous delivery of appropriate properly completed and signed original forms United States federal income tax certifications (generally, an Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a Person that is a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code or an appropriate Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 (or applicable successor form) in the case of a Person that is not a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) or any other certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, and any Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments on the Note under any present or future law of the United States or any present or future law of any political subdivision of the United States or taxing authority in the United States or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under any such law.

(e) Payments in respect of interest on and principal of any Note shall be made by the Trustee, or by the Irish Paying Agent, if applicable, in U.S. Dollars to the Depository or its designee with respect to a Global Note and to the Holder or its nominee with respect to a Definitive Note and a Class E Note, by wire transfer, as directed by the Holder, in immediately available funds to a U.S. Dollar account maintained by the Depository or its nominee with respect to a Global Note, and to the Holder or its designee with respect to a Definitive Note and a Class E Note. In the case of a Definitive Note and a Class E Note, its Holder has provided written wiring instructions to the

Trustee and, if the payment with respect to a Definitive Note is to be made by the Irish Paying Agent, the Irish Paying Agent, on or before the related Record Date.

If appropriate instructions for the wire transfer are not received by the related Record Date, then the payment will be made by check drawn on a U.S. bank mailed to the address of the Holder in the Indenture Register. Upon final payment due on the Maturity of a Note, its Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the office designated by the Trustee on or before the Maturity. If the Trustee and the Applicable Issuers have been furnished the security or indemnity they require to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the certificate, then, in the absence of notice to the Applicable Issuers or the Trustee that the applicable Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender. Neither the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Share Registrar nor any Paying Agent shall have any responsibility or liability for any aspects of the records maintained by Euroclear, Clearstream, or any of the Agent Members relating to or for payments made thereby on account of beneficial interests in a Global Note.

In the case where any final payment of principal and interest is to be made on any Note (other than on its Stated Maturity and except as otherwise provided in this Indenture), the Trustee, in the name and at the expense of the Applicable Issuers shall, not more than 30 nor less than 10 days before the date on which the payment is to be made, mail (by first-class mail, postage prepaid) to the Persons entitled thereto at their addresses appearing on the Indenture Register, a notice specifying the date on which the payment will be made, the amount of the payment per U.S.\$100,000 original principal amount of Notes and the place where the Notes may be presented and surrendered for payment. If the Trustee and the Issuer have been furnished any security or indemnity they require to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the certificate, then, in the absence of notice to the Issuer or the Trustee that the applicable certificate has been acquired by a protected purchaser, final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender of the applicable certificate.

(f) Payments of principal to Holders of the Notes of each Class shall be made in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes of the Class registered in the name of each Holder on the applicable Record Date bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Notes of the Class on the Record Date.

(g) Interest accrued shall be calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in the applicable Interest Period divided by 360.

(h) All reductions in the principal amount of a Note (or one or more predecessor Notes) effected by payments of installments of principal made on any Payment Date or Redemption Date shall be binding on all future Holders of the Note and of any Note issued upon the registration of its transfer, exchange, or replacement, whether or not the payment is noted on the Note.

(i) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the obligations of the Co-Issuer under the Senior Notes and under this Indenture are non-recourse obligations, and the obligations of the Issuer under the Notes and under this Indenture are limited recourse obligations payable solely from the Collateral and following realization of the assets, application of their proceeds in accordance with this Indenture and the reduction of the proceeds of the Collateral to zero, all obligations of, and any claims against, the Co-Issuers under this Indenture or under the Notes or arising in connection therewith shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. No recourse shall be had against any Officer, director, employee, shareholder, or incorporator of either of the Co-Issuers or their respective successors or assigns for any amounts payable under the Notes or this Indenture. The foregoing provisions of this paragraph (i) shall not (1) prevent recourse to the Collateral for the sums due or to become due under any security, instrument, or agreement that is

part of the Collateral or (2) be a waiver, release, or discharge of any indebtedness or obligation evidenced by the Notes or secured by this Indenture until the Collateral have been realized. The foregoing provisions of this paragraph (i) shall not limit the right of any Person to name the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as a party defendant in any Proceeding or in the exercise of any other remedy under the Notes or this Indenture, so long as no judgment in the nature of a deficiency judgment or seeking personal liability is sought or (if obtained) enforced against the person.

(j) If any withholding tax is imposed on the Issuer's payment (or allocations of income) under the Notes to any Noteholder, the tax shall reduce the amount otherwise distributable to the Noteholder. The Trustee is hereby authorized and directed to retain from amounts otherwise distributable to any Noteholder sufficient funds for the payment of any tax that is legally owed, or required by law to be collected, by or on behalf of the Issuer (but the authorization shall not prevent the Trustee or the Issuer from contesting any such tax in appropriate proceedings and withholding payment of the tax, if permitted by law, pending the outcome of the proceedings). The amount of any withholding tax imposed with respect to any Noteholder shall be treated as Cash distributed to the Noteholder when it is withheld by the Trustee and remitted to the appropriate taxing authority. If there is a possibility that withholding tax is payable with respect to a distribution, the Trustee may in its sole discretion withhold the amounts in accordance with this Section 2.8(j). If any Noteholder wishes to apply for a refund of any such withholding tax, the Trustee shall reasonably cooperate with the Noteholder in making the claim by providing information readily available to the Trustee so long as the Noteholder agrees to reimburse the Trustee for any out-of-pocket expenses incurred and provides the Trustee with security reasonably acceptable to the Trustee assuring the reimbursement. The Trustee hereby provides notice to each Noteholder that the failure by the Noteholder to provide the Trustee with appropriate tax certifications may result in amounts being withheld from payments to the Noteholder. Nothing in this Indenture shall impose an obligation on the part of the Trustee to determine the amount of any tax or withholding obligation on the part of the Issuer or in respect of the Notes.

#### Section 2.9. *Persons Considered Owners.*

The Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, and any agent of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee may treat as the owner of the Note the Person in whose name any Note is registered on the Indenture Register on the applicable Record Date for the purpose of receiving payments on the Note and on any other date for all other purposes whatsoever (whether or not the Note is overdue), and neither the Issuer, the Co-Issuer nor the Trustee nor any agent of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee shall be affected by notice to the contrary. Pursuant to the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will notify the Trustee and the Share Registrar of any Affiliate of the Servicer that owns any of the Securities.

#### Section 2.10. *Cancellation.*

All Notes surrendered for payment, registration of transfer, exchange, or redemption, or lost or stolen, shall be promptly canceled by the Trustee and may not be reissued or resold. No Notes shall be authenticated in lieu of or in exchange for any Notes canceled as provided in this Section 2.10, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture. All canceled Notes held by the Trustee shall be destroyed by the Trustee in accordance with its standard policy unless the Applicable Issuers direct by an Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee prior to cancellation and destruction that they be returned to the Issuer.

Section 2.11. ***Definitive Notes.***

(a) A Global Note deposited with the Depository pursuant to Section 2.2 shall be transferred in the form of a Definitive Note to its beneficial owners only if the transfer complies with Section 2.6 and either

(i) the Depository notifies the Co-Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as Depository for the Global Note or

(ii) if at any time the Depository ceases to be a Clearing Agency registered under the Exchange Act and, in each case, a successor depository is not appointed by the Co-Issuers within 90 days after the notice.

(b) Any Global Note that is transferable in the form of a Definitive Note to its beneficial owners pursuant to this Section 2.11 shall be surrendered by the Depository to the office of the Trustee's agent located in the City of New York, New York as specified in Section 7.2 (or any other office designated by the Trustee) to be so transferred, in whole or from time to time in part, without charge, and the Applicable Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, upon the transfer of each portion of the Global Note, an equal aggregate principal amount of definitive physical certificates (pursuant to the instructions of the Depository) (each, a "***Definitive Note***") in authorized denominations. Any Definitive Note delivered in exchange for an interest in a Global Note, as applicable, shall, except as otherwise provided by Section 2.6(j), bear the legends in the applicable portion of Exhibit A-1 and shall be subject to the transfer restrictions referred to in the legends.

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

(d) Upon the occurrence of either of the events specified in Section 2.11(a)(i) and (ii), the Co-Issuers shall promptly make available to the Trustee a reasonable supply of Definitive Notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons.

The Definitive Notes shall be in substantially the same form as the Global Notes, with any changes the Issuer and Trustee agree to and the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in exchange therefor, the same aggregate principal amount of Definitive Notes of authorized denominations.

Section 2.12. ***Notes Beneficially Owned by Non-Permitted Holders.***

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary elsewhere in this Indenture, (i) any transfer of a beneficial interest in any Global Note to a U.S. person (for purposes of this Section 2.12 as defined in Regulation S) that is not a QIB/QP and that is not made pursuant to an applicable exemption under the Securities Act and (ii) any transfer of a beneficial interest in any Class E Note to a Person that is not a QIB/QP, shall be void and any such purported transfer of which the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee has notice may be disregarded by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Trustee for all purposes.

(b) After discovery by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee (and notice by the Trustee or the Co-Issuer to the Issuer, if either of them makes the discovery) that a Person is a Non-Permitted Holder, the Issuer shall promptly send notice to the Non-Permitted Holder demanding that the Non-Permitted Holder transfer its interest to a Person that is not a Non-Permitted Holder within

30 days of the date of the notice. If the Non-Permitted Holder fails to so transfer its Notes or interest in the Notes without further notice to the Non-Permitted Holder, the Issuer may sell the Notes or interest in the Notes to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is not a Non-Permitted Holder on any terms the Issuer chooses. The Issuer, or the Trustee acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting bids (or by appointing an investment bank at the expense of the Issuer to solicit bids) from brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Notes, and selling the Notes, or interest in the Notes to the highest bidder. However, the Issuer or the Trustee may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Note, the beneficial owner of each interest in a Note, the Non-Permitted Holder, and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder or beneficial owner to the Non-Permitted Holder, by its acceptance of an interest in the Notes agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Trustee to effect the transfers. The proceeds of the sale, net of any commissions, expenses of the Trustee or otherwise, and taxes due in connection with the sale shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted Holder. The terms of any sale under this subsection shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer (or the Trustee acting on its behalf), and the Issuer and the Trustee shall not be liable to any Person having an interest in the Notes sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of its discretion.

### Section 2.13 *Tax Purposes*

The Issuer agrees, and each Holder and each beneficial owner of a Note, by acceptance of its Note or its interest in a Note, as the case may be, shall be deemed to have agreed, to treat, and shall treat, such Note as unconditional debt of the Issuer for tax, accounting and financial reporting purposes.

## ARTICLE 3

### CONDITIONS PRECEDENT

#### Section 3.1. *Conditions to Issuance of Notes on Closing Date.*

(a) The Notes to be issued on the Closing Date shall be executed by the Applicable Issuers and delivered to the Trustee for authentication and thereupon the same shall be authenticated and delivered by the Trustee upon Issuer Order and upon receipt by the Trustee of the following:

(i) *Officers' Certificates of the Co-Issuers Regarding Corporate Matters.* An Officer's certificate of each of the Co-Issuers:

(A) (1) evidencing (x) the authorization by Board Resolution of the execution and delivery of this Indenture and the Purchase Agreement and, in the case of the Issuer, the Servicing Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Hedge Agreements being entered into on or before the Closing Date (if any), and related transaction documents and (y) the execution, authentication and delivery of the Notes applied for by it and specifying the Stated Maturity, principal amount and the Note Interest Rate of each applicable Class of Notes to be authenticated and delivered and (2) with respect to the Issuer only, evidencing the authorization by Board Resolution of the issuance, terms and number of Preference Shares issued on the Closing Date, and that each of the foregoing is in accordance with the terms of the Board Resolution, and



(B) certifying that (1) the attached copy of the Board Resolution is an accurate copy, (2) the resolutions have not been rescinded and are in full force on and as of the Closing Date and (3) the Officers authorized to execute and deliver the documents hold the offices and have the signatures indicated on the documents.

(ii) *Governmental Approvals*: From each of the Co-Issuers either:

(A) a certificate of the Applicable Issuer or other official document evidencing the due authorization, approval or consent of any governmental bodies, at the time having jurisdiction in the premises, together with an Opinion of Counsel of the Applicable Issuer that no other authorization, approval or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of the Notes applied for by it, or

(B) an Opinion of Counsel of the Applicable Issuer that no authorization, approval, or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of the Notes except as have been given; provided that the opinions of Latham & Watkins, LLP and Maples and Calder, substantially in the forms of Exhibit C and Exhibit D, respectively, shall satisfy this clause (B).

(iii) *Co-Issuers' and Servicer's U.S. Counsel Opinion*. Opinions of Latham & Watkins LLP, special U.S. counsel to the Co-Issuers, and an opinion of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, counsel to the Servicer, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the forms of Exhibit C and Exhibit F.

(iv) *Issuer's Cayman Counsel Opinion*. An opinion of Maples and Calder, Cayman Islands counsel to the Issuer, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit D.

(v) *Trustee's Counsel Opinion*. An opinion of Nixon Peabody LLP, counsel to the Trustee, dated the Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit E.

(vi) *Officers' Certificates of Co-Issuers Regarding Indenture*. An Officer's certificate of each of the Co-Issuers stating that, to the best of the Officer's knowledge,

(A) the Applicable Issuer is not in default under this Indenture and that the issuance of the Notes applied for by it will not result in a default or a breach of, or be a default under, its organizational documents, any indenture or other agreement or instrument to which it is a party or by which it is bound, or any order of any court or administrative agency entered in any Proceeding to which it is a party or by which it may be bound or to which it may be subject;

(B) all conditions precedent in this Indenture relating to the authentication and delivery of the applicable Notes have been complied with; and

(C) all expenses due or accrued with respect to the Offering or relating to actions taken on or in connection with the Closing Date have been paid or reserves therefor have been made.

The Officer's certificate of the Issuer shall also state that, to the best of the Officer's knowledge, all of its representations and warranties contained in this Indenture are accurate as of the Closing Date.



(vii) *Hedge Agreements*. Executed copies of the Hedge Agreements being entered into on or entered into before the Closing Date, if any.

(viii) *Servicing Agreement*. Executed copy of the Servicing Agreement.

(ix) *Preference Shares*. Copies of executed Preference Share certificates to be issued on the Closing Date.

(x) *Preference Share Documents*. An executed counterpart of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

(xi) *Collateral Administration Agreement*. Executed copy of the Collateral Administration Agreement.

(xii) *Grant of Collateral Obligations*. Evidence of the Grant pursuant to the Granting Clauses of this Indenture of all of the Issuer's interest in the Collateral Obligations pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, on the Closing Date and Delivery of the Collateral Obligations (including any promissory notes and all other Underlying Instruments related to them to the extent received by the Issuer) to the Trustee or the Custodian as contemplated by Section 3.2.

(xiii) *Certificate of the Servicer*. A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, in the case of each Collateral Obligation pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, as the case may be, on the Closing Date and immediately before the delivery of the Collateral Obligation on the Closing Date:

(A) the "row/column combination" of the table appearing in the definition of "Ratings Matrix" selected by the Servicer on the Closing Date;

(B) the information with respect to the Collateral Obligation in the Schedule of Collateral Obligations is correct; and

(C) the Collateral Obligation satisfies the requirements of the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and of Section 3.1(a)(xx)(B);

(xiv) *Rating Letters*. An Officer's certificate of the Issuer to the effect that attached is an accurate copy of a letter signed by each Rating Agency and confirming that each Class of Notes rated by the Rating Agency has been assigned the applicable Initial Rating and that the ratings are in full force on the Closing Date.

(xv) *Accounts*. Evidence that each of the Accounts has been established.

(xvi) *Issuer Order for Deposit of Funds into Accounts*. An Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, authorizing the deposit of at least U.S.\$71,908,337 into the Collection Account for use pursuant to Section 7.19, the deposit of at least U.S.\$2,024,384 into the Closing Date Expense Account for use pursuant to Section 10.3(g) and the deposit of at least U.S.\$2,500,000 into the Interest Reserve Account for use pursuant to Section 10.3(i).

(xvii) *Irish Listing*. An Officer's certificate of the Issuer to the effect that application has been made to the Irish Stock Exchange to admit the Senior Notes to the Official List.

(xviii) *Issuer Order for Authentication of Notes.* An Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, directing the Trustee to authenticate the Notes in the amounts, in the registered names and with the CUSIP numbers in the Issuer Order.

(xix) *Accountants' Certificate.* An Accountants' Certificate satisfactory to the Issuer (A) confirming the information with respect to each Collateral Obligation on the Schedule of Collateral Obligations attached as Schedule 1, (B) confirming that the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that the Issuer has purchased or committed to purchase in accordance with customary settlement procedures in the relevant markets, is approximately U.S.\$981,300,000, that each Concentration Limitation is satisfied taking into account all of the Collateral Obligations acquired as of the Closing Date (including binding agreements to purchase Collateral Obligations in effect on the Closing Date), that the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date, that the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date and that the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied as of the Closing Date and a calculation of the Diversity Score, (C) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to this Section 3.1(a)(xix) and (D) confirming the weighted average purchase price of the Collateral Obligations.

(xx) *Certificate of the Issuer Regarding Collateral.* A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, to the knowledge of the Issuer, in the case of each Collateral Obligation pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Collateral, as the case may be, on the Closing Date and immediately before the delivery of the Collateral Obligation on the Closing Date:

(A) the Issuer is the owner of the Collateral Obligation free of any liens, claims, or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever except for those that are being released on the Closing Date and except for those Granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture;

(B) the Issuer has acquired its ownership in the Collateral Obligation in good faith without notice of any adverse claim, except as described in paragraph (A) above;

(C) the Issuer has not assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered any interest in the Collateral Obligation (or, if any interest in the Collateral Obligation has been assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered, it has been released before the Closing Date or is being released on the Closing Date) other than interests Granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture;

(D) the Issuer has full right to Grant a security interest in and assign and pledge the Collateral Obligation to the Trustee;

(E) upon Grant by the Issuer, the Trustee has a first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral Obligations and the other Collateral; and

(F) based solely on the Accountant's Certificate set forth in clause (xix) above, the weighted average purchase price of the Collateral Obligations in

the Collateral as of the Closing Date is at least 90% of the aggregate par amount thereof.

(xxi) *Certificate of the Issuer Regarding Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice.* A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, on or prior to the Closing Date the Issuer provided to the Depository the Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice, substantially in the form of Exhibit I-2.

(xxii) *Other Documents.* Any other documents the Trustee reasonably requires. Nothing in this clause (xxii) shall imply or impose a duty on the part of the Trustee to require any other documents.

(b) Any Refinancing Note may be issued from time to time pursuant to Section 9.7 hereof. Any such Refinancing Notes shall be executed by the Applicable Issuer and delivered to the Trustee for authentication, and thereupon shall be authenticated and delivered by the Trustee upon and pursuant to Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee, together with delivery to the Trustee by the Issuer of an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that (A) such Refinancing Notes are duly authorized and validly issued by the Applicable Issuer pursuant to the Indenture, constituting the legal, valid and binding obligation of such Applicable Issuer, enforceable against such Issuer in accordance with its terms and (B) all conditions precedent under this Indenture, if any, applicable to the issuance, authentication and delivery of such Notes, have been satisfied.

### Section 3.2. *Custodianship; Delivery of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments.*

(a) The Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall deliver or cause to be delivered to a custodian appointed by the Issuer, which shall be a Securities Intermediary (the "**Custodian**"), all Collateral in accordance with the definition of "Deliver." Initially, the Custodian shall be Investors Bank & Trust Company. Any successor custodian shall be a state or national bank or trust company that is not an Affiliate of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, has a long-term debt rating of at least "BBB+" by S&P and has capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000 and is a Securities Intermediary. Subject to the limited right to relocate Pledged Obligations as provided in Section 7.5(b), the Trustee shall hold all Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, other assets purchased in accordance with this Indenture (other than Loans, Participations and general intangibles) and Cash in the relevant Account established and maintained pursuant to Article 10, as to which in each case the Trustee shall have entered into a securities account control agreement with the Custodian in accordance with Article 8 of the UCC providing, *inter alia*, that the establishment and maintenance of the Account shall be governed by the law of the State of New York.

(b) Each time that the Issuer, or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, directs or causes the acquisition of any Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other assets, the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) shall, if the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other asset is required to be, but has not already been, transferred to the relevant Account, cause the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other asset to be Delivered to the Custodian to be held in the Custodial Account (or in the case of any such asset that is not a Collateral Obligation, in the Account in which the funds used to purchase the asset are held in accordance with Article 10) for the benefit of the Trustee in accordance with this Indenture. The security interest of the Trustee in the funds or other property used in connection with the acquisition shall, immediately and without further action on the part of the Trustee, be released. The security interest of the Trustee shall nevertheless come into existence and continue in the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other asset so acquired, including all interests of the Issuer in to any contracts related to and proceeds of the Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments or other assets.

Section 3.3. *Representations as to Collateral.*

(a) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants to the Secured Parties as to the Collateral as follows (which representations are repeated on each day on which the Issuer acquires new Collateral):

(i) This Indenture creates a valid and continuing security interest (as defined in the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) in the Collateral in favor of the Trustee, which security interest is prior to all other liens, charges, claims, security interests, mortgages and other encumbrances, and is enforceable as such as against creditors of and purchasers from the Issuer.

(ii) Except for any Securities Lending Collateral and Synthetic Securities Collateral, the Issuer has good and marketable title to and is the owner of each item of Collateral free of any liens, claims, or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever except for liens (A) that are being released on the Closing Date and (B) granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture. The Issuer has a first priority security interest in all Securities Lending Collateral to secure all obligations of Securities Lending Counterparty under the Securities Lending Agreement and a first priority interest in all Synthetic Securities Collateral to secure all obligations of Synthetic Security Counterparty under the Synthetic Securities Agreement.

(iii) The Issuer has not assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered any interest in the Collateral (or, if any interest in the Collateral has been assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered, it has been released before the Closing Date or is being released on the Closing Date) other than interests granted pursuant to or permitted by this Indenture.

(iv) The Issuer has full right, and has received all consents and approvals required by the related Underlying Instruments, to grant a security interest in its rights in the Collateral to the Trustee.

(v) Each Collateral Obligation included in the Collateral satisfied the requirements of the definition of "Collateral Obligation" as of the date the Issuer committed to purchase the same or, in the case of the Loans with respect to which loans were made by Pre-Closing Parties and repaid by the Issuer on the Closing Date, as of the Closing Date.

(vi) All Collateral Obligations, any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange did not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation, and Eligible Investments (other than, in each case, "general intangibles" within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code) have been and will have been credited to one of the Accounts. The securities intermediary for each Account has agreed to treat all assets credited to the Accounts as "financial assets" within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code.

(vii) The Issuer has pledged to the Trustee all of the Issuer's interest in each Collateral Obligation included in the Collateral pursuant to the Granting Clauses of this Indenture and has delivered each Collateral Obligation (including any promissory note and all its other Underlying Instruments to the extent received by the Issuer) to the Trustee or the Custodian as contemplated by Section 3.2.

(viii) Each of the Collateral constitutes "general intangibles," "certificated securities," "instruments," "securities entitlements," "uncertificated securities," "chattel paper" or "securities accounts," each within the meaning of the applicable Uniform

Commercial Code, or any other category of collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code as to which the Issuer has complied with its obligations under Section 3.3(b).

(ix) The Issuer has caused (or will have caused within 10 days following the Closing Date) the filing of appropriate financing statements in the proper filing offices in the appropriate jurisdictions under applicable law to perfect the security interest in the portion of the Collateral pledged to the Trustee under this Indenture that may be perfected by the filing of financing statements.

(x) The Issuer has not authorized the filing of and is not aware of any financing statements against the Issuer that include a description of collateral covering the Collateral other than any financing statement (A) relating to the security interest granted to the Trustee under this Indenture, (B) that has been terminated or (C) that names the Trustee as the secured party. On the date of this Indenture, the Issuer is not aware of any judgment or Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation or tax lien filings against the Issuer.

(xi) The Issuer has delivered to the Trustee a fully executed agreement pursuant to which the securities intermediary for each Account has agreed to comply with all instructions originated by the Trustee relating to the Account without further consent by the Issuer.

(xii) All original executed copies of each "instrument" (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral have been delivered to the Custodian, to the extent received by the Issuer. The Issuer has received confirmation from the Custodian that the Custodian has credited the instruments to one of the Accounts. None of the instruments that are or evidence the Collateral has any marks or notations indicating that they are then pledged or otherwise assigned to any Person other than the Trustee.

(xiii) The Accounts are not in the name of any Person other than the Issuer or the Trustee. The Issuer has not consented to the securities intermediary of any Account to comply with instructions of any Person other than the Trustee.

(xiv) All "certificated securities" (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral have been delivered to the Custodian, to the extent received by the Issuer, registered in the name of the Custodian or indorsed to the Custodian. The Issuer has received confirmation from the Custodian that the Custodian has credited such certificated securities to one of the Accounts.

(xv) The Issuer has caused all "uncertificated securities" (as defined in each applicable Uniform Commercial Code) that are or evidence the Collateral to be registered in the name of the Custodian.

(xvi) Upon grant by the Issuer, the Trustee has a first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral.

The parties to this Indenture shall not waive any of the representations in this Section 3.3, unless the Rating Condition is satisfied in connection with such waiver. The Issuer shall provide each of the Rating Agencies with prompt written notice of any breach of the representations contained in this Section 3.3 upon becoming aware thereof, and shall not waive a breach of any of the representations in this Section 3.3, unless the Rating Condition is satisfied (as determined after

any adjustment or withdrawal of the ratings following notice of such breach) in connection with such waiver.

If the Issuer acquires Collateral that is not "general intangibles," "certificated securities," "instruments," "securities accounts," "chattel paper," "securities entitlements" or "uncertificated securities," each within the meaning of the applicable Uniform Commercial Code, or another category of collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code as to which the Issuer has complied with its obligations under this Section 3.3(b), then on or before the date on which the Issuer acquires the Collateral, the Issuer (or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer) shall notify S&P and the Trustee (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) of its acquisition or intended acquisition of the Collateral and the Issuer shall represent to S&P and to the Trustee (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) as to the category of the Collateral under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code and shall make any further representations as to the perfection and priority of the security interest in the Collateral Granted under this Indenture acceptable to S&P.

## ARTICLE 4

### SATISFACTION AND DISCHARGE

#### Section 4.1. *Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture.*

This Indenture shall be discharged and shall cease to be of further effect with respect to the Notes and the Collateral except as to:

- (i) rights of registration of transfer and exchange,
- (ii) substitution of mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Notes,
- (iii) rights of Noteholders to receive payments of principal and interest on, or other amounts (including without limitation Extension Bonus Payments) owing in respect of, the Notes as provided in this Indenture,
- (iv) the rights, indemnities, and immunities of the Trustee under this Indenture and the obligations of the Trustee under Section 7.3 of this Indenture with respect to the holding and paying of unclaimed funds,
- (v) for so long as any Preference Shares remain Outstanding, any provisions hereof conferring any rights or remedies upon the Holders of the Preference Shares or the Preference Shares Paying Agent on behalf of the Holders of the Preference Shares, including but not limited to, the provisions of Articles 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15,
- (vi) for so long as any Preference Shares remain Outstanding, the provisions of Articles 10, 11 and 12 relating to the acquisition, retention and disbursement of Collateral,
- (vi) the rights, obligations, and immunities of the Servicer under this Indenture and under the Servicing Agreement, and
- (vii) the rights of Noteholders as beneficiaries of this Indenture with respect to the property deposited with the Trustee and payable to any of them (and the Trustee, on demand of and at the expense of the Issuer, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture),

when:

(a) either:

(i) all Notes theretofore authenticated and delivered to Holders of Notes (other than (A) Notes that have been destroyed, lost or stolen and which have been replaced or paid as provided in Section 2.7 and (B) Notes for whose payment money has theretofore irrevocably been deposited in trust and thereafter repaid to the Issuer or discharged from the trust, as provided in Section 7.3), have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation; or

(ii) all Notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation

(A) have become payable, or

(B) will become payable at their Stated Maturity within one year, or

(C) are to be called for redemption pursuant to Article 9 under an arrangement satisfactory to the Trustee for the giving of notice of redemption by the Applicable Issuers pursuant to Section 9.3,

and the Issuer has irrevocably deposited with the Trustee, in trust for payment of the principal and interest on the Notes, Cash or non-callable obligations of the United States of America. The obligations deposited under Section 4.1(a)(ii) with respect to the other Notes must be entitled to the full faith and credit of the United States of America or be debt obligations that are rated "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, in an amount sufficient, as verified by a firm of Independent certified public accountants that are nationally recognized, to pay and discharge the entire indebtedness on the Notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation, for principal and interest to the date of the deposit (in the case of Notes that have become payable), or to the respective Stated Maturity or the respective Redemption Date, as the case may be, and the Issuer shall have Granted to the Trustee a valid perfected security interest in the Eligible Investment that is of first priority, free of any adverse claim, and shall have furnished an Opinion of Counsel with respect thereto. Section 4.1(a)(ii) shall not apply if an election to act in accordance with Section 5.5(a) has been made and not rescinded. In addition, the Issuer shall cause delivery to the Trustee of a Tax Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the Noteholders would recognize no income, gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of the deposit and satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture;

(b) the Issuer has paid all other sums then payable under this Indenture by the Issuer and no other amounts are scheduled to be payable by the Issuer; and

(c) the Co-Issuers have delivered to the Trustee Officer's certificates and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent in this Indenture provided for relating to the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture have been complied with.

Notwithstanding the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture, the rights and obligations of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Servicer and, if applicable, the Noteholders, as the case may be, under Sections 2.8, 4.2, 5.4(d), 5.9, 5.18, 6.7, 6.8, 7.1, 7.3, 13.1 and 14.13 shall survive.

#### Section 4.2. *Application of Trust Money.*

All monies deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 4.1 shall be held in trust for the Person entitled to it and applied by the Trustee in accordance with the Notes and this Indenture,

including the Priority of Payments, to the payment of principal and interest, either directly or through any Paying Agent, as the Trustee may determine. The money shall be held in a segregated non-interest bearing trust account identified as being held in trust for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

**Section 4.3. *Repayment of Monies Held by Paying Agent.***

In connection with the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture with respect to the Notes, all monies then held by any Paying Agent other than the Trustee under this Indenture shall, upon demand of the Co-Issuers, be paid to the Trustee to be held and applied pursuant to Section 7.3 and in accordance with the Priority of Payments and thereupon the Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to the monies.

## ARTICLE 5

### REMEDIES

**Section 5.1. *Events of Default.***

"***Event of Default***," wherever used in this Indenture, means any one of the following events whatever the reason:

- (a) a default for four Business Days in the payment of any interest on the Class A Notes or the Class B Notes, or, if no Class A Notes or Class B Notes are Outstanding, a default in the payment of any interest on the Controlling Class, in each case, when it becomes payable (or in the case of a default in payment due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, the Irish Paying Agent or the Indenture Registrar, after seven Business Days);
- (b) a default in the payment of principal (including Deferred Interest) of any Note, when the same becomes payable, at its Stated Maturity or on the Redemption Date;
- (c) the failure on any Payment Date to disburse amounts available in the Payment Account in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the failure continues for three Business Days;
- (d) on any Measurement Date for so long as any Class A-1-A Notes, Class A-1-B Notes or Class B Notes are Outstanding, the Class A/B Overcollateralization Ratio is less than 100%;
- (e) either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral becomes an investment company under the Investment Company Act;
- (f) breach of any other covenant or other agreement of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture (other than any failure to satisfy any of the Collateral Quality Tests, any of the Concentration Limitations, any of the Coverage Tests, the Retention Overcollateralization Test, or other covenants or agreements for which a specific remedy has been provided in this Section 5.1) in any material respect, or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant thereto, or in connection therewith, to be correct in any material respect when made, and the breach or failure continues for 30 days after either of the Co-Issuers has actual knowledge of it or after notice to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, and the Servicer by the Trustee or to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer, and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class by



registered or certified mail or overnight courier specifying the breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that the notice is a "Notice of Default" under this Indenture;

(g) the entry of a decree or order by a court having competent jurisdiction adjudging the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, or composition of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, and if the decree or order remains unstayed and in effect for 45 consecutive days;

(h) the institution by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of Proceedings to have the Issuer or Co-Issuer, as the case may be, adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by the shareholders of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings against the Issuer or Co-Issuer, or the filing by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Bankruptcy Law or any other similar applicable law, or the consent by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or the taking of any action by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in furtherance of any such action; or

(i) one or more final judgments is rendered against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer that exceed in the aggregate U.S.\$2,000,000 and that remain unstayed, undischarged, and unsatisfied for 30 days after the judgments become nonappealable, unless adequate funds have been reserved or set aside for their payment.

**Section 5.2. *Notice of Event of Default; Acceleration of Maturity; Rescission and Annulment.***

(a) Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Trustee shall give prompt (and in no event later than five Business Days after becoming aware of such event) notice thereof to the Noteholders.

(b) If an Event of Default is continuing (other than an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h)), the Trustee may, with consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class, and shall, upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, declare the principal of all the Notes to be immediately payable by notice to the Applicable Issuers and the Noteholders, and upon that declaration the unpaid principal of all the Notes, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), and other amounts payable under this Indenture, shall become immediately payable. The Replacement Period shall terminate upon a declaration of acceleration (subject to re-commencement pursuant to Section 5.2(c)). If an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h) occurs, all unpaid principal, together with all its accrued and unpaid interest (and any applicable Defaulted Interest Charge), of all the Notes, and other amounts payable under this Indenture, shall automatically become payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any Noteholder and the Replacement Period shall terminate automatically (subject to re-commencement pursuant to Section 5.2(c)).

(c) At any time after the declaration of acceleration of maturity has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may rescind the declaration and its consequences:

(i) The Issuer or the Co-Issuer has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:

(A) all unpaid installments of interest and principal on the Notes then due;

(B) to the extent that payment of the interest is lawful, interest on any Deferred Interest and Defaulted Interest at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable;

(C) all Administrative Expenses of the Co-Issuers and other sums paid or advanced by the Trustee under this Indenture;

(D) all unpaid Senior Servicing Fees;

(E) all amounts then payable to any Hedge Counterparty; and

(ii) The Trustee has determined that all Events of Default, other than the non-payment of the interest on or principal of the Notes, have been (A) cured, and a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Trustee has agreed with that determination, or (B) waived as provided in Section 5.14.

No such rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right consequent thereon. The Issuer shall not terminate any Hedge Agreement at any time after a declaration of acceleration of Maturity of the Notes has been made, unless such declaration and its consequences may no longer be rescinded and annulled in accordance with this Section 5.2(c) and liquidation of the Collateral has begun.

If a declaration of acceleration is rescinded as described above:

(x) the Replacement Period, if terminated by the declaration, shall re-commence on the date of the rescission (unless the Replacement Period would have otherwise terminated before that date pursuant to clauses (i), (ii), or (iii) of its definition); and

(y) the Trustee shall retain the Collateral in accordance with this Indenture. If the retention of the Collateral is rescinded pursuant to Section 5.5, the Notes may again be accelerated pursuant to Section 5.2(b), notwithstanding any previous rescission of a declaration of acceleration pursuant to this Section 5.2(c).

No rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right resulting from the Default.

(d) Notwithstanding anything in this Section 5.2 to the contrary, the Notes will not be subject to acceleration by the Trustee, a Majority of the Controlling Class or any other Holders solely as a result of the failure to pay any amount due on Notes that are not of the Controlling Class.

### **Section 5.3. *Collection of Indebtedness and Suits for Enforcement by Trustee.***

The Applicable Issuers covenant that if a default occurs in the payment of any principal of or interest when payable on any Note, upon demand of the Trustee or the Holder of any affected Note, the Applicable Issuers shall pay to the Trustee, for the benefit of the Holder of the Note, the whole amount then payable on the Note for principal and interest with interest on the overdue principal and, to the extent that payments of the interest shall be legally enforceable, on overdue

installments of interest and all other amounts owing to the Noteholders under this Indenture, at the Applicable Note Interest Rate or Default Interest Rate, as applicable, and, in addition, an amount sufficient to cover the costs and expenses of collection, including the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee and the Holders and their agents and counsel.

If the Issuer or the Co-Issuer fails to pay those amounts immediately on demand, the Trustee, in its own name and as Trustee of an express trust, may (after giving prior written notice to the Controlling Class and absent the Trustee having received a written direction to the contrary from the Controlling Class), and shall at the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class (subject to Section 6.3(e)), institute a Proceeding for the collection of the sums due, may prosecute the Proceeding to judgment or final decree, and may enforce the same against the Applicable Issuers or any other obligor on the Notes and collect the monies determined to be payable in the manner provided by law out of the Collateral.

If an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee may (after giving prior written notice to the Controlling Class and absent the Trustee having received a written direction to the contrary from the Controlling Class), and shall upon written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class (subject to Section 6.3(e)), proceed to protect and enforce its rights and the rights of the Noteholders by any appropriate Proceedings as is deemed most effective (if no direction is received by the Trustee) or as the Trustee may be directed by a Majority of the Controlling Class, to protect and enforce the rights of the Trustee and the Noteholders, whether for the specific enforcement of any agreement in this Indenture or in aid of the exercise of any power granted in this Indenture, or to enforce any other proper remedy or legal or equitable right vested in the Trustee by this Indenture or by law. The reasonable compensation, costs, expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or paid by the Trustee and its agents and counsel, in connection with such Proceeding, including, without limitation, the exercise of any remedies pursuant to Section 5.4, shall be reimbursed to the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.8.

If any Proceedings are pending relating to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any other obligor on the Notes under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law, or if a receiver, assignee, or trustee in bankruptcy or reorganization, liquidator, sequestrator or similar official has been appointed for or taken possession of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or their respective property or any other obligor on the Notes or its property, or if any other comparable Proceedings are pending relating to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or other obligor on the Notes, or the creditors or property of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or other obligor on the Notes, the Trustee, regardless of whether the principal of any Notes is then payable by declaration or otherwise and regardless of whether the Trustee has made any demand pursuant to this Section 5.3, may, by intervention in the Proceedings or otherwise:

(a) file and prove claims for the whole amount of principal and interest owing and unpaid in respect of the Notes, and file any other papers or documents appropriate and take any other appropriate action (including sitting on a committee of creditors) to have the claims of the Trustee (including any claim for reasonable compensation to the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, and their respective agents, attorneys, and counsel, and for reimbursement of all expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, except as a result of negligence or bad faith) and of the Noteholders allowed in any Proceedings relating to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, or other obligor on the Notes or to the creditors or property of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or other obligor on the Notes;

(b) unless prohibited by applicable law, vote on behalf of the Noteholders in any election of a trustee or a standby trustee in arrangement, reorganization, liquidation or other bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings or Person performing similar functions in comparable Proceedings; and

(c) collect and receive any monies or other property payable to or deliverable on any such claims, and distribute all amounts received with respect to the claims of the Noteholders and of the Trustee on their behalf; and any trustee, receiver or liquidator, custodian or other similar official is authorized by each of the Noteholders to make payments to the Trustee, and, if the Trustee consents to making payments directly to the Noteholders, to pay to the Trustee amounts sufficient to cover reasonable compensation to the Trustee, each predecessor Trustee, and their respective agents, attorneys, and counsel, and all other reasonable expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee except as a result of negligence or bad faith.

Nothing in this Indenture shall authorize the Trustee to authorize or consent to or vote for or accept or adopt on behalf of the Holder of any Note, any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition affecting the Notes or any Noteholder, or to authorize the Trustee to vote on the claim of the Holder of any Note in any Proceeding except, as aforesaid, to vote for the election of a trustee in bankruptcy or similar Person.

Notwithstanding anything in this Section 5.3 to the contrary, the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Collateral or institute Proceedings in furtherance of the sale or liquidation of the Collateral pursuant to this Section 5.3 except according to Section 5.5(a).

#### Section 5.4. *Remedies.*

(a) If an Event of Default is continuing, and the Notes have been declared payable and the declaration and its consequences have not been rescinded, or at any time after the Stated Maturity, the Co-Issuers agree that the Trustee may (after giving prior written notice to the Controlling Class and absent the Trustee having received a written direction to the contrary from the Controlling Class), and shall, upon written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class (subject to Section 6.3(e)), to the extent permitted by applicable law, exercise one or more of the following rights:

(i) institute Proceedings for the collection of all amounts then payable on the Notes or otherwise payable under this Indenture, whether by declaration or otherwise, enforce any judgment obtained, and collect from the Collateral any monies adjudged due;

(ii) sell or liquidate all or a portion of the Collateral or interests in it, at one or more public or private sales called and conducted in any manner permitted by law and in accordance with Section 5.17;

(iii) institute Proceedings from time to time for the complete or partial foreclosure of this Indenture with respect to the Collateral;

(iv) exercise any remedies of a secured party under the UCC and take any other appropriate action to protect and enforce the rights of the Trustee and the Noteholders under this Indenture; and

(v) exercise any other rights that may be available at law or in equity;

*except* that the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Collateral or institute Proceedings in furtherance of the sale or liquidation of the Collateral pursuant to this Section 5.4 except according to Section 5.5(a).

(b) If an Event of Default as described in Section 5.1(f) is continuing the Trustee may, with the consent of, and shall, at the direction of, the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, subject to Section 5.8, institute a Proceeding solely to

compel performance of the covenant or agreement or to cure the representation or warranty, the breach of which gave rise to the Event of Default under Section 5.1(f), and enforce any equitable decree or order arising from the Proceeding.

(c) Upon any sale, whether made under the power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, any Holders or the Servicer (subject to the Servicing Agreement) may bid for and purchase any part of the Collateral and, upon compliance with the terms of sale, may hold, retain, possess, or dispose of the Collateral in its or their own absolute right without accountability.

Upon any sale, whether made under the power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, the receipt of the Trustee, or of the Officer making a sale under judicial Proceedings, shall be a sufficient discharge to the purchasers at any sale for their purchase money, and the purchasers shall not be obliged to see to its application.

Any sale, whether under any power of sale given under this Indenture or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, shall bind the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Noteholders, shall operate to divest all interest whatsoever, either at law or in equity, of each of them in the property sold, and shall be a perpetual bar, both at law and in equity, against each of them and their successors and assigns, and against all Persons claiming through or under them.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, none of the Trustee, the Secured Parties or the Noteholders may, before the date that is one year and one day (or if longer, any applicable preference period plus one day) after the payment in full of all Notes, institute against, or join any other Person in instituting against, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium, or liquidation Proceedings, or other Proceedings under the Bankruptcy Law or any similar laws in any jurisdiction. Nothing in this Section 5.4 shall preclude the Trustee or any Secured Party (i) from taking any action before the expiration of that period in (A) any case or Proceeding voluntarily filed or commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or (B) any involuntary insolvency Proceeding filed or commenced by a Person other than a Secured Party or (ii) from commencing against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any of its properties any legal action that is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation Proceeding.

#### Section 5.5. *Optional Retention of Collateral.*

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Indenture, if an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall retain the Collateral, collect, and cause the collection of the proceeds of the Collateral and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Collateral and the Notes, and any Hedge Agreements (other than amounts received under a Hedge Agreement that are used in putting a Replacement Hedge in place), in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Article 10 and Article 12 unless:

(i) the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, determines that the anticipated net proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral would be sufficient to discharge in full the amounts then due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest (including Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest and any interest on the Defaulted Interest and Deferred Interest), all Administrative Expenses, all other amounts (if any) then payable to the Hedge Counterparty by the Issuer (including any applicable termination payments) net of all amounts then payable to the Issuer by the Hedge Counterparty and all other amounts then payable under clause (3) of Section 11.1(a)(i) and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with that determination; or

(ii) the Holders of a Super Majority of each of the Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral; or

(iii) the Class A/B Overcollateralization Ratio is less than 90% and the Holders of a Majority of the Controlling Class direct the sale and liquidation of the Collateral; *provided* that upon such direction by the Controlling Class, the Trustee shall (x) first sell or liquidate any Collateral for which either (A) two or more bid-side prices have been determined by an Approved Pricing Service or (B) bid-side prices have been obtained from at least two nationally recognized broker-dealers selected by a Majority of the Controlling Class and (y) thereafter shall sell or liquidate such remaining Collateral to the extent such Collateral can be liquidated or sold in accordance with the Indenture and applicable law; provided that any Collateral consisting of equity securities or Defaulted Collateral Obligations shall not be subject to sale or liquidation pursuant to this clause (iii).

If any Collateral is sold in accordance with clause (a)(iii)(x) above and Highland Capital Management, L.P. is the Servicer, the Servicer shall have the exclusive right to purchase such Collateral for the first two Business Days from the date the last of such bid-prices was determined by an Approved Pricing Service or obtained from a nationally recognized broker-dealer selected by a Majority of the Controlling Class with respect to such Collateral at a price equal to the highest bid-price for such Collateral that was determined by an Approved Pricing Service or obtained from a nationally recognized broker-dealer selected by a Majority of the Controlling Class and, thereafter, the Trustee may sell such Collateral to other parties in accordance with the terms hereof; *provided* that, in any such case, such sale to the Servicer or to any other party is effected in compliance with applicable law, including all notice and other provisions under the UCC.

The Trustee shall give written notice of the retention of the Collateral to the Issuer with a copy to the Co-Issuer and the Servicer. So long as the Event of Default is continuing, any retention pursuant to this Section 5.5(a) may be rescinded at any time when the conditions specified in clause (i) or (ii) exist.

(b) Nothing contained in Section 5.5(a) shall be construed to require the Trustee to sell the Collateral if the conditions in clause (i) or (ii) of Section 5.5(a) are not satisfied. Nothing contained in Section 5.5(a) shall be construed to require the Trustee to retain the Collateral if prohibited by applicable law.

(c) In determining whether the condition specified in Section 5.5(a)(i) exists, the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, shall obtain bid prices with respect to each security contained in the Collateral from two nationally recognized dealers (or if there is only one market maker, that market maker and if there is no market maker, from a pricing service) selected and specified by the Servicer to the Trustee in writing, at the time making a market in those securities, and shall compute the anticipated proceeds of sale or liquidation on the basis of the lower of the bid prices for each security. In addition, for the purposes of determining issues relating to the valuation of the Collateral, the satisfaction of the conditions specified in this Indenture, the execution of a sale or liquidation of the Collateral, and the execution of a sale or other liquidation of the Collateral in connection with a determination whether the condition specified in Section 5.5(a)(i) exists, the Trustee may retain, at the Issuer's expense, and rely on an opinion of an Independent investment banking firm of national reputation, which may be either of the Initial Purchasers.

The Trustee shall deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Noteholders, the Co-Issuers, the Servicer and the Hedge Counterparties a report stating the results of any determination required pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i). The Trustee shall make the determinations required by Section 5.5(a)(i) after an Event of Default at the request of a Majority of the Controlling Class at any time during which the Trustee retains the

Collateral pursuant to Section 5.5(a). The Trustee shall obtain (at the Issuer's expense) a letter of a firm of Independent certified public accountants confirming the accuracy of each calculation made by the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) and certifying their conformity to the requirements of this Indenture.

(d) Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, the Trustee may not, and the Noteholders representing the requisite percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes specified in Section 5.4 or 5.5, may not instruct the Trustee to sell or liquidate or (except in connection with the concurrent execution of a Replacement Hedge) terminate any Hedge Agreement during the continuance of an Event of Default until all Collateral other than the Hedge Agreements has been sold or liquidated and its proceeds applied in accordance with this Indenture.

(e) Collateral may not be sold or liquidated pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) after the last date on which the sale or liquidation is permitted under Section 5.5(a)(i) with respect to a determination made pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) (the last permitted date being determined by the Trustee under Section 5.5(a)(i)), unless a new determination is made in accordance with Section 5.5(a)(i) and the Collateral is sold or liquidated before the last sale date permitted in accordance with the new determination.

**Section 5.6. *Trustee May Enforce Claims Without Possession of Notes.***

All rights of action and claims under this Indenture or under any of the Notes may be prosecuted and enforced by the Trustee without the possession of any of the Notes or their production in any trial or other Proceeding relating to them, and any Proceeding instituted by the Trustee shall be brought in its own name as trustee of an express trust, and any recovery of judgment shall be applied as provided in Section 5.7.

In any Proceedings brought by the Trustee (and any Proceedings involving the interpretation of any provision of this Indenture to which the Trustee shall be a party) the Trustee shall be held to represent all the Noteholders.

**Section 5.7. *Application of Money Collected.***

Any money collected by the Trustee with respect to the Notes pursuant to this Article 5 and any money that may then be held or subsequently received by the Trustee with respect to the Notes under this Indenture shall be applied, subject to Section 13.1 and in accordance with Section 11.1, at the dates fixed by the Trustee.

**Section 5.8. *Limitation on Suits.***

No Holder of any Note shall have any right to institute any Proceedings, judicial or otherwise, with respect to this Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy under this Indenture, unless:

(a) the Holder has previously given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default;

(b) the Holders of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute Proceedings with respect to the Event of Default in its own name as Trustee under this Indenture and the Holders have offered to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to it against the expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with the request;



(c) the Trustee for 30 days after its receipt of the notice, request and offer of indemnity has failed to institute a Proceeding; and

(d) no direction inconsistent with the written request has been given to the Trustee during the 30 day period by a Majority of the Controlling Class.

No Noteholder shall have any right in any manner whatsoever by virtue of, or by availing of, any provision of this Indenture to affect the rights of any other Noteholders of the same Class or to obtain or to seek to obtain priority or preference over any other Holders of Notes of the same Class or to enforce any right under this Indenture, except in the manner provided in this Indenture and for the equal and ratable benefit of all the Holders of Notes of the same Class subject to and in accordance with Section 13.1 and the Priority of Payments or Section 11.2, as the case may be.

If the Trustee receives conflicting or inconsistent requests and indemnity from two or more groups of Holders of the Controlling Class, each representing less than a Majority of the Controlling Class, the Trustee shall take the action requested by the Holders of the largest percentage in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, notwithstanding any other provisions of this Indenture but subject to Section 6.3(e).

#### Section 5.9. *Unconditional Rights of Noteholders.*

Notwithstanding any provision of this Indenture other than this Section 5.9 and Sections 2.8(i), 5.4(d), and 13.1, the Holder of any Note shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive payment of the principal of and interest on the Note as it comes due in accordance with the Priority of Payments and Section 13.1, and, subject to Section 5.8, to institute proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment, and that right shall not be impaired without the consent of the Holder. Noteholders ranking junior to Notes still Outstanding may not institute proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment until no Note ranking senior to their Note remains Outstanding, subject to Section 5.8, and shall not be impaired without the consent of any such Holder. For so long as any Notes are Outstanding, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be entitled to any payment of any amount for payments to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents, to the extent legally permitted, on a claim against the Issuer unless there are sufficient funds to pay such amounts to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

#### Section 5.10. *Restoration of Rights and Remedies.*

If the Trustee or the Holder of any Note has instituted any Proceeding to enforce any right under this Indenture and the Proceeding has been discontinued or abandoned for any reason, or has been determined adversely to the Trustee or to the Holder, then, subject to any determination in the Proceeding, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Holder shall be restored to their former positions under this Indenture, and thereafter all rights of the Trustee and the Holder shall continue as though no Proceeding had been instituted.

#### Section 5.11. *Rights and Remedies Cumulative.*

No right in this Indenture conferred on or reserved to the Trustee or to the Noteholders is intended to be exclusive of any other right, and every right shall, to the extent permitted by law, be cumulative and in addition to every other right given under this Indenture or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or otherwise. The assertion or employment of any right under this Indenture, or otherwise, shall not prevent the concurrent assertion or employment of any other appropriate right.



**Section 5.12. *Delay or Omission Not Waiver.***

No delay or omission of the Trustee or the Holder of any Note to exercise any right accruing upon any Event of Default shall impair the right or be a waiver of the Event of Default or an acquiescence in it or of a subsequent Event of Default. Every right given by this Article 5 or by law to the Trustee or to the Noteholders may be exercised from time to time, and as often as deemed expedient, by the Trustee or by the applicable Noteholders.

**Section 5.13. *Control by Majority of the Controlling Class.***

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, during the continuance of an Event of Default, a Majority of the Controlling Class may institute and direct the time, method and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any right of the Trustee with respect to the Notes if:

(i) the direction does not conflict with any rule of law or with any express provision of this Indenture; and

(ii) the Trustee has been indemnified to its reasonable satisfaction (and the Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability unless it has received an indemnity against the liability).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, only a Majority of the Controlling Class may direct proceedings with respect to remedies specified in Section 5.4(a) or otherwise with respect to the Collateral.

(b) The Trustee may take any other action deemed proper by the Trustee that is not inconsistent with a direction under Section 5.13(a). Subject to Section 6.1, the Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability or expense (unless the Trustee has received an indemnity against the liabilities and expenses reasonably satisfactory to it) and during the continuance of an Event of Default that has not been cured, or waived, the Trustee shall, before receiving directions from a Majority of the Controlling Class, exercise the rights expressly vested in it by this Indenture and use the same degree of care and skill in their exercise with respect to the Event of Default as is required by Section 6.1(b).

(c) Any direction to the Trustee to undertake a Sale of the Collateral shall be in accordance with Section 5.4 or 5.5.

**Section 5.14. *Waiver of Past Defaults.***

Before a judgment or decree for payment of any money due has been obtained by the Trustee, as provided in this Article 5, a Majority of the Controlling Class may on behalf of the Holders of all the Notes, with respect to the Notes waive any past Default and its consequences, except a Default:

(a) in the payment of the principal or Redemption Price of any Note or in the payment of interest (including Defaulted Interest, Deferred Interest, and any interest on Defaulted Interest or Deferred Interest) on the Notes;

(b) with respect to a provision of this Indenture that under Section 8.2 cannot be modified or amended without the waiver or consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected by the modification or amendment;

(c) in the payment of amounts due to the Servicer, the Trustee or the Hedge Counterparty, which may only be waived with the consent of the affected party; or

(d) arising as a result of an Event of Default described in Section 5.1(e), (g) or (h).

Upon any such waiver, the Default shall cease to exist, and any Event of Default arising from it shall be cured, for every purpose of this Indenture, but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other Default or impair any right consequent thereto. The Trustee shall promptly give written notice of any such waiver to the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Noteholder.

#### Section 5.15. *Undertaking for Costs.*

All parties to this Indenture agree, and each Holder of any Note by its acceptance of its Note agrees, that in any suit for the enforcement of any right under this Indenture, or in any suit against the Trustee or the Servicer for any action taken or omitted by it as Trustee or for any action taken or omitted by the Servicer, as applicable, any court may in its discretion require the filing by any party litigant in the suit of an undertaking to pay the costs of the suit, and that the court may in its discretion assess reasonable costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, against any party litigant in the suit, having due regard to the merits and good faith of the claims or defenses made by the party litigant. This Section 5.15 shall not apply to any suit instituted by the Trustee or the Servicer; to any suit instituted by any Holder, or group of Holders, of Notes holding in the aggregate more than 10% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, or to any suit instituted by any Noteholder for the enforcement of the payment of the principal of or interest on any Note or any other amount payable under this Indenture after the applicable Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, after the applicable Redemption Date).

#### Section 5.16. *Waiver of Stay or Extension Laws.*

To the extent that they may lawfully do so, the Co-Issuers covenant that they will not at any time insist on, or plead, or in any manner whatsoever claim or take the benefit or advantage of, any stay or extension law or any valuation, appraisal, redemption, or marshalling law or rights, in each case wherever enacted, now or at any time hereafter in force, that may affect the covenants, the performance of, or any remedies under this Indenture. To the extent that they may lawfully do so, the Co-Issuers expressly waive all benefit or advantage of any such law or rights, and covenant that they shall not delay or impede the execution of any power in this Indenture granted to the Trustee or the Noteholders but will permit the execution of every power as though the law had not been enacted or rights created.

#### Section 5.17. *Sale of Collateral.*

(a) The power to effect any sale (a "**Sale**") of any portion of the Collateral pursuant to Sections 5.4 and 5.5 shall not be exhausted by any one or more Sales as to any portion of the Collateral remaining unsold, but shall continue unimpaired until the entire Collateral is sold or all amounts secured by the Collateral have been paid. The Trustee may upon notice to the Noteholders and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), and shall, at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class with respect to Collateral, from time to time postpone any Sale by public announcement made at the time and place of the Sale. The Trustee waives its rights to any amount fixed by law as compensation for any Sale. The Trustee may deduct the reasonable expenses (including the reasonable fees and expenses of its agents and attorneys) incurred by it in connection with a Sale from its proceeds notwithstanding Section 6.8.

(b) The Trustee may bid for and acquire any portion of the Collateral in connection with a public Sale of the Collateral, and may pay all or part of the purchase price by crediting against amounts owing on the Notes or other amounts secured by the Collateral all or part of the net proceeds of the Sale after deducting the reasonable expenses incurred by the Trustee in connection with the Sale notwithstanding Section 6.8. The Notes need not be produced to complete any Sale, or for the net proceeds of the Sale to be credited against amounts owing on the Notes. The Trustee may hold, lease, operate, manage or otherwise deal with any property so acquired in any manner permitted by law in accordance with this Indenture.

(c) If any portion of the Collateral consists of securities issued without registration under the Securities Act ("*Unregistered Securities*"), the Trustee may seek an Opinion of Counsel, or, if no Opinion of Counsel can be obtained, seek a no action position from the Securities and Exchange Commission or any other relevant federal or state regulatory authorities, regarding the legality of a public or private Sale of the Unregistered Securities.

(d) The Trustee shall execute and deliver an appropriate instrument of transfer transferring its interest in any portion of the Collateral in connection with its Sale. In addition, the Trustee is irrevocably appointed the agent and attorney-in-fact of the Issuer to transfer its interest in any portion of the Collateral in connection with its Sale, and to take all action necessary to effect the Sale. No purchaser or transferee at a Sale shall be bound to ascertain the Trustee's authority, to inquire into the satisfaction of any conditions precedent, or see to the application of any monies.

Section 5.18. *Action on the Notes.*

The Trustee's right to seek and recover judgment on the Notes or under this Indenture shall not be affected by the seeking or obtaining of or application for any other relief under or with respect to this Indenture. Neither the lien of this Indenture nor any rights or remedies of the Trustee or the Noteholders shall be impaired by the recovery of any judgment by the Trustee against the Issuer or by the levy of any execution under the judgment on any portion of the Collateral or on any of the assets of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

## ARTICLE 6

### THE TRUSTEE

Section 6.1. *Certain Duties and Responsibilities.*

(a) Except during the continuance of an Event of Default known to the Trustee:

(i) the Trustee undertakes to perform the duties and only the duties specifically provided in this Indenture, and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Indenture against the Trustee; and

(ii) in the absence of bad faith on its part, the Trustee may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements and the correctness of the opinions expressed therein, on certificates or opinions furnished to the Trustee and conforming to the requirements of this Indenture; the Trustee shall examine any certificates or opinions that by any provision of this Indenture are specifically required to be furnished to the Trustee to determine whether or not they substantially conform on their face to the requirements of this Indenture and shall promptly notify the party delivering the same if the certificate or opinion does not conform. If a corrected form has not been delivered to the Trustee within 15 days after the

notice from the Trustee, the Trustee shall so notify the Noteholders and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares).

(b) If the Trustee has actual knowledge that an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall, before the receipt of directions from a Majority of the Controlling Class, exercise the rights and powers vested in it by this Indenture, and use the same degree of care and skill in its exercise, as a prudent Person would use under the circumstances in the conduct of the Person's own affairs.

(c) No provision of this Indenture shall be construed to relieve the Trustee from liability for its own negligent action, its own negligent failure to act or its own willful misconduct, except that:

(i) this subsection shall not be construed to limit the effect of subsection (a) of this Section 6.1;

(ii) the Trustee shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by a Trust Officer, unless it is proven that the Trustee was negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts;

(iii) the Trustee shall not be liable with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in good faith in accordance with the direction of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or the Servicer in accordance with this Indenture or a Majority (or the other percentage required or permitted by this Indenture) of the Controlling Class (or other Class if required or permitted by this Indenture) relating to the time, method, and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred on the Trustee, under this Indenture; and

(iv) no provision of this Indenture shall require the Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any financial liability in the performance of any of its duties under this Indenture, or in the exercise of any of its rights contemplated under this Indenture, if it has reasonable grounds for believing that repayment of the funds or indemnity satisfactory to it against the risk or liability is not reasonably assured to it; provided that the reasonable costs of performing its ordinary services under this Indenture shall not be deemed a "financial liability" for purposes hereof.

(d) For all purposes under this Indenture, the Trustee shall not have notice or knowledge of any Event of Default described in Section 5.1(d) through 5.1(i) or any Default described in Section 5.1(e) through 5.1(i) unless a Trust Officer assigned to and working in the Corporate Trust Office has actual knowledge of it or unless written notice of any event that is in fact the an Event of Default or Default is received by the Trustee at the Corporate Trust Office, and the notice references the Notes generally, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Collateral or this Indenture. For purposes of determining the Trustee's responsibility and liability under this Indenture, whenever reference is made in this Indenture to an Event of Default or a Default, the reference shall be construed to refer only to an Event of Default or Default of which the Trustee has notice as described in this Section 6.1.

(e) Whether or not therein expressly so provided, every provision of this Indenture relating to the conduct or affecting the liability of or affording protection to the Trustee shall be subject to this Section 6.1 and Section 6.3.

**Section 6.2. *Notice of Default.***

Promptly (and in no event later than five Business Days) after the occurrence of any Default known to the Trustee or after any declaration of acceleration has been made or delivered to the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.2, the Trustee shall transmit notice of all Defaults under this Indenture known to the Trustee, unless the Default has been cured or waived, and of the declaration by mail to the Servicer and the Co-Issuers, each Rating Agency, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and to all Noteholders, as their names and addresses appear on the Indenture Register, the Irish Stock Exchange, for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit H certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee).

**Section 6.3. *Certain Rights of Trustee.***

Except as otherwise provided in Section 6.1:

- (a) the Trustee may rely and shall be protected in acting or refraining from acting on any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, note, or other paper or document (including but not limited to any reports prepared and delivered under Article 10) believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties;
- (b) any request or direction of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer mentioned in this Indenture shall be sufficiently evidenced by an Issuer Request or Issuer Order;
- (c) whenever in the administration of this Indenture the Trustee
  - (i) deems it desirable that a matter be proved or established before taking, suffering, or omitting any action under this Indenture, the Trustee may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely on an Officer's certificate (unless other evidence is specifically prescribed in this Indenture) or
  - (ii) is required to determine the value of, or any other matter with respect to, any Collateral or funds under this Indenture or the cash flows projected to be received therefrom, the Trustee may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely on reports of nationally recognized accountants, investment bankers or other persons qualified to provide the information required to make the determination, including nationally recognized dealers in securities of the type being valued and securities quotation services;
- (d) as a condition to taking or omitting to take any action under this Indenture, the Trustee may consult with counsel and the advice of the counsel or any Opinion of Counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection with respect to any action taken or omitted by it under this Indenture in good faith and in reliance thereon;
- (e) the Trustee need not exercise any of the rights or powers vested in it by this Indenture at the request or direction of any of the Noteholders pursuant to this Indenture, unless the Holders have offered to the Trustee security or indemnity satisfactory to it against the costs and liabilities that might reasonably be incurred by it in compliance with the request or direction;
- (f) the Trustee need not make any investigation into the facts or matters stated in any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, note or other paper or document, but the Trustee, in its discretion, may, and upon the written

direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, subject to Section 6.3(e), shall, make any the further inquiry or investigation into the facts or matters that it deems appropriate or as it is directed, and the Trustee shall be entitled, on reasonable prior notice to the Co-Issuers and the Servicer, to examine the books and records relating to the Notes, the Collateral, personally or by agent or attorney, during the Co-Issuers' or the Servicer's normal business hours. The Trustee shall, and shall cause its agents to, hold in confidence all such information, except to the extent (i) disclosure may be required by law by any regulatory or administrative authority and (ii) that the Trustee, in its sole judgment, determines that disclosure is consistent with its obligations under this Indenture; provided, however, that the Trustee may disclose on a confidential basis any such information to its agents, attorneys and auditors in connection with the performance of its responsibilities hereunder;

(g) the Trustee may execute any of the trusts or powers under this Indenture or perform any duties under this Indenture either directly or by or through agents or attorneys, and the Trustee shall not be responsible for any misconduct or negligence on the part of any non-Affiliated agent, or non-Affiliated attorney, appointed with due care by it under this Indenture;

(h) the Trustee shall not be liable for any action it takes or omits to take in good faith that it reasonably believes to be authorized or within its rights or powers under this Indenture;

(i) nothing in this Indenture shall be construed to impose an obligation on the Trustee to recalculate, evaluate, or verify any report, certificate or information received from the Issuer or Servicer;

(j) the Trustee may request and receive (and rely on) instruction from the Issuer, the Servicer, or the accountants identified in the Accountants' Certificate (and in the absence of its receipt of timely instruction from them, may obtain from an Independent accountant at the expense of the Issuer) as to the application of GAAP to the extent any defined term in this Indenture, or any calculation required to be made or determined by the Trustee under this Indenture, is dependent on or defined by reference to United States generally accepted accounting principles ("*GAAP*"), in any instance;

(k) the permissive rights of the Trustee to take or refrain from taking any actions enumerated in this Indenture are not duties;

(l) the Trustee is not responsible for the accuracy of the books and records of, or for any acts or omissions of, the Depository, any Transfer Agent, Custodian, Securities Intermediary, Collateral Administrator, Clearstream, Euroclear, Calculation Agent or any Paying Agent (in each case, other than the Bank acting in that capacity);

(m) in purchasing or disposing of any asset permitted by this Indenture, the Trustee is authorized to deal with itself (in its individual capacity) or with any one or more of its Affiliates, whether it or the Affiliate is acting as a subagent of the Trustee or for any third Person or dealing as principal for its own account. If otherwise qualified, obligations of the Bank or any of its Affiliates shall qualify as Eligible Investments under this Indenture; and

(n) if the Bank is also acting in the capacity of Paying Agent, Transfer Agent, Custodian, Calculation Agent or Securities Intermediary under this Indenture, the rights protections, immunities, and indemnities afforded to the Trustee pursuant to this Article 6 shall also be afforded to the Bank acting in those capacities.

**Section 6.4. *Not Responsible for Recitals or Issuance of the Notes.***

The recitals contained in this Indenture and in the Notes, other than the Certificate of Authentication, shall be taken as the statements of the Applicable Issuers. The Trustee assumes no responsibility for their correctness. The Trustee makes no representation as to the validity or sufficiency of this Indenture (except as may be made with respect to the validity of the Trustee's obligations under this Indenture), the Collateral or the Notes. The Trustee shall not be accountable for the use or application by the Co-Issuers of the Notes or their proceeds or any money paid to the Co-Issuers pursuant to this Indenture.

**Section 6.5. *May Hold Notes.***

(a) The Trustee, any Paying Agent, Indenture Registrar or any other agent of the Co-Issuers, in its individual or any other capacity, may become the owner or pledgee of Notes and may otherwise deal with the Co-Issuers or any of their Affiliates with the same rights it would have if it were not Trustee, Paying Agent, Indenture Registrar or other agent.

**Section 6.6. *Acquisition of Class E Notes and Preference Shares.***

The Trustee, in its individual or any other capacity, agrees that after the initial distribution of the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares, neither the Trustee nor any of its affiliates (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) will acquire any Class E Notes or Preference Shares (including pursuant to a Maturity Extension, a Refinancing and the Amendment Buy-Out Option) unless such acquisition would not, as determined by the Trustee in reliance on representations made in the applicable transfer certificates with respect thereto, result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of any of the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such acquisition (determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA, this Indenture and the Preference Share Documents). Any Class E Notes or Preference Shares held as principal by the Trustee or any of its affiliates shall be disregarded and shall not be treated as outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% limitation to the extent that such person has represented that it is not a Benefit Plan Investor.

**Section 6.7. *Money Held in Trust.***

Money held by the Trustee under this Indenture shall be held in trust to the extent required in this Indenture. The Trustee shall be under no liability for interest on any money received by it under this Indenture except as otherwise agreed on with the Issuer and except to the extent of income or other gain on assets that are deposits in or certificates of deposit of the Bank in its commercial capacity and income or other gain actually received by the Trustee on Eligible Investments. Under no circumstances shall the Trustee be responsible for any losses on assets purchased in accordance with an Issuer Order or a written order or request by the Servicer, unless such asset is purchased in an obligation of the Trustee in its corporate capacity.

**Section 6.8. *Compensation and Reimbursement.***

(a) The Issuer agrees:

(i) to pay the Trustee on each Payment Date reasonable compensation for all services rendered by it under this Indenture in accordance with its letter agreement with the Trustee (which compensation shall not be limited by any provision of law in regard to the compensation of a trustee of an express trust);

(ii) except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture or in its letter agreement with the Trustee, to reimburse the Trustee in a timely manner upon its request for all reasonable expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or made by the Trustee in accordance with this Indenture (including securities transaction charges and the reasonable compensation and expenses and disbursements of its agents and legal counsel and of any accounting firm or investment banking firm employed by the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.4, 5.5, 10.5 or 10.7, except any such expense, disbursement or advance attributable to its negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith) but with respect to securities transaction charges, only to the extent they have not been waived during a Due Period due to the Trustee's receipt of a payment from a financial institution with respect to certain Eligible Investments, as specified by the Servicer;

(iii) to indemnify the Trustee and its officers, directors, employees and agents for any loss, liability or expense (including reasonable attorney's fees and costs) incurred without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith on their part, arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of this trust, including the costs and expenses of defending themselves against any claim or liability in connection with the exercise or performance of any of their powers or duties under this Indenture; and

(iv) to pay the Trustee reasonable additional compensation together with its expenses (including reasonable counsel fees and costs) for any collection action taken pursuant to Section 6.14.

(b) The Trustee shall receive amounts pursuant to this Section 6.8 as provided in Sections 11.1(a)(i) and (ii) but only to the extent that funds are available for their payment. Subject to Section 6.10, the Trustee shall continue to serve as Trustee under this Indenture notwithstanding the fact that the Trustee has not received amounts due to it under this Indenture. No direction by the Noteholders shall affect the right of the Trustee to collect amounts owed to it under this Indenture. If on any date when a fee is payable to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture insufficient funds are available for its payment any portion of a fee not so paid shall be deferred and payable on the next date on which a fee is payable and sufficient funds are available for it.

(c) The Trustee agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy for the non-payment to the Trustee of any amounts provided by this Section 6.8 until at least one year and one day, or if longer the applicable preference period then in effect plus one day, after the payment in full of all Notes issued under this Indenture and the payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent of all amounts payable with respect to the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Nothing in this Section 6.8(c) shall prohibit or otherwise prevent the Trustee from filing proofs of claim in any bankruptcy, insolvency or similar proceeding.

#### Section 6.9. ***Corporate Trustee Required; Eligibility.***

There shall at all times be a Trustee under this Indenture that is an Independent "bank" (within the meaning of the Investment Company Act) organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America or of any state of the United States, authorized under those laws to exercise corporate trust powers, having a combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000, subject to supervision or examination by federal or state banking authority, having a rating of at least "Baa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) by Moody's and at least "BBB+" by S&P, and having an office within the United States. In addition, the Trustee shall not be "affiliated" (within the meaning of Rule 405 under the Securities Act) with either of the Co-Issuers or any person involved in the organization or operation of either of the Co-Issuers and shall not provide credit or credit enhancement to either of the Co-Issuers; *provided* that the requirements of the preceding sentence shall be met if (a) the Trustee is not "affiliated" (as defined in the preceding



sentence) with the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Administrator or the Share Registrar, (b) neither the Trustee nor the Issuer has actual knowledge, or has received written notice, that the Trustee is "affiliated" (as defined in the preceding sentence) with any person involved with the organization or operation of either of the Co-Issuers, and (c) the Trustee has not provided and does not provide credit or credit enhancement to either of the Co-Issuers. For purposes of the preceding clause (b), (i) the "actual knowledge" of the Trustee shall mean (x) its knowledge of those persons who have been expressly identified in writing to it by either or both of the Co-Issuers, or the Servicer on their behalf or (y) any persons otherwise actually known to a Responsible Officer of the Trustee, in either case, to be a person involved with the organization or operation either of the Co-Issuers, without any duty of independent inquiry or investigation on the part of the Trustee, and (ii) unless and except to the extent it has been otherwise expressly notified in writing by the Issuer, or the Servicer on its behalf, the Trustee shall be entitled to presume that the Issuer has no knowledge of such an affiliation. If the Trustee publishes reports of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or to the requirements of its supervising or examining authority, then for the purposes of this Section 6.9, the combined capital and surplus of the Trustee shall be its combined capital and surplus in its most recent published report of condition. If at any time the Trustee ceases to be eligible in accordance with this Section 6.9, it shall resign immediately in the manner and with the effect specified in Section 6.10.

**Section 6.10. *Resignation and Removal; Appointment of Successor.***

(a) No resignation or removal of the Trustee and no appointment of a successor Trustee pursuant to this Article 6 shall become effective until the acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee under Section 6.11. The indemnification in favor of the Trustee shall survive any resignation or removal of the Trustee.

(b) The Trustee may resign at any time by giving not less than 30 days' written notice to the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency. Upon receiving the notice of resignation, the Co-Issuers shall by Board Resolution (or, if an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class) promptly appoint a successor trustee satisfying the requirements of Section 6.9, by written instrument, in duplicate, executed by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer and an Authorized Officer of the Co-Issuer, one copy of which shall be delivered to the resigning Trustee and one copy to the successor Trustee, together with a copy to each Noteholder, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and the Servicer. If no successor Trustee has been appointed and an instrument of acceptance by a successor Trustee has not been delivered to the Trustee within 60 days after the giving of the notice of resignation, the resigning Trustee or any Noteholder, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee satisfying the requirements of Section 6.9.

(c) The Trustee may be removed (i) at any time by the Co-Issuers as directed by Board Resolution (or, if an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, by an Act of a Majority of the Controlling Class) or (ii) by order of a court of competent jurisdiction, delivered to the Trustee and to the Co-Issuers.

(d) If at any time:

(i) the Trustee ceases to be eligible under Section 6.9 and fails to resign after written request by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class; or

(ii) the Trustee becomes incapable of acting or is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent or a receiver or liquidator of the Trustee or of its property appointed or any public

officer takes charge or control of the Trustee or of its property or affairs for the purpose of rehabilitation, conservation or liquidation,

then, in any such case (subject to Section 6.10(a)), (A) the Co-Issuers, by Issuer Order (as directed by Board Resolution), may, and at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall, remove the Trustee or (B) subject to Section 5.15, or any Holder may, on behalf of itself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(e) If the Trustee is removed or becomes incapable of acting, or if a vacancy occurs in the office of the Trustee for any reason (other than resignation), the Co-Issuers, by Issuer Order (as directed by Board Resolution) or at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, shall promptly appoint a successor Trustee. If the Co-Issuers fail to appoint a successor Trustee within 60 days after the removal or incapability or the occurrence of the vacancy, a successor Trustee may be appointed by a Majority of the Controlling Class by written instrument delivered to the Issuer and the retiring Trustee. The successor Trustee so appointed shall, upon its acceptance of its appointment, become the successor Trustee and supersede any successor Trustee proposed by the Co-Issuers. If no successor Trustee has been so appointed by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class and accepted appointment pursuant to Section 6.11, subject to Section 5.15, then the Trustee to be replaced, or any Holder, may, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(f) The Co-Issuers shall give prompt notice of each resignation and each removal of the Trustee and each appointment of a successor Trustee by mailing written notice of the event by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the Servicer, to each Rating Agency, to the Noteholders as their names and addresses appear in the Indenture Register and to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares). Each notice shall include the name of the successor Trustee and the address of its Corporate Trust Office. If the Co-Issuers fail to mail the notice within 10 days after acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee, the successor Trustee shall cause the notice to be given at the expense of the Co-Issuers.

#### Section 6.11. *Acceptance of Appointment by Successor.*

Every successor Trustee appointed under this Indenture shall execute, acknowledge, and deliver to the Co-Issuers and the retiring Trustee an instrument accepting its appointment. Upon delivery of the required instruments, the resignation or removal of the retiring Trustee shall become effective and the successor Trustee, without any further act, shall become vested with all the rights and obligations of the retiring Trustee; but, on request of the Co-Issuers or a Majority of any Class of Notes or the successor Trustee, the retiring Trustee shall, upon payment of any amounts then due to it, execute and deliver an instrument transferring to the successor Trustee all the rights and obligations of the retiring Trustee, and shall duly assign, transfer and deliver to the successor Trustee all property and money held by the retiring Trustee under this Indenture. Upon request of any successor Trustee, the Co-Issuers shall execute any instruments to more fully and certainly vest in and confirm to the successor Trustee all the rights and obligations of the Trustee under this Indenture.

No successor Trustee shall accept its appointment unless at the time of its acceptance the successor is qualified and eligible under Section 6.9 and either (a) each Rating Agency has been notified and the successor has long-term debt rated within the four highest rating categories by each Rating Agency, or (b) if not rated within the four highest categories by each Rating Agency, the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect thereto.

**Section 6.12. *Merger, Conversion, Consolidation, or Succession to Business of Trustee.***

Any entity into which the Trustee may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any entity resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Trustee is a party, or any entity succeeding to all or substantially all of the corporate trust business of the Trustee, shall be the successor of the Trustee under this Indenture (and of the Bank under all of its other capacities under this Indenture, including as Custodian, Securities Intermediary, Indenture Registrar and Paying Agent) without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto. If any of the Notes have been authenticated, but not delivered, by the Trustee then in office, any successor by merger, conversion or consolidation to the authenticating Trustee may adopt the authentication and deliver the Notes so authenticated with the same effect as if the successor Trustee had itself authenticated the Notes.

**Section 6.13. *Co-Trustees.***

At any time, to meet the legal requirements of any jurisdiction in which any part of the Collateral may at the time be located, the Co-Issuers and the Trustee may appoint a co-trustee (subject to the approval of the Rating Agencies) to act jointly with the Trustee, with respect to all or any part of the Collateral, with the power to file proofs of claim and take any other actions pursuant to Section 5.6 in this Indenture and to make claims and enforce rights of action on behalf of the Noteholders, as the Holders themselves have the right to do, subject to the other provisions of this Section 6.13.

The Co-Issuers shall join with the Trustee in the execution, delivery and performance of all instruments and agreements necessary or proper to appoint a co-trustee. If the Co-Issuers do not join in the appointment within 15 days after they receive a request to do so, the Trustee may make the appointment.

Any instruments to more fully confirm a co-trustee's appointment shall, on request, be executed, acknowledged and delivered by the Co-Issuers. The Co-Issuers agree to pay (but only from and to the extent of the Collateral), to the extent funds are available therefor under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1), any reasonable fees and expenses in connection with the appointment.

Every co-trustee shall, to the extent permitted by law, but to that extent only, be appointed subject to the following terms:

- (a) the Notes shall be authenticated and delivered and all rights and obligations under this Indenture in respect of the custody of securities, cash and other personal property held by, or required to be deposited or pledged with, the Trustee under this Indenture, shall be exercised solely by the Trustee;
- (b) the rights and obligations conferred or imposed on the Trustee in respect of any property covered by the appointment of a co-trustee shall be conferred or imposed on and exercised or performed by the Trustee or by the Trustee and the co-trustee jointly as provided in the instrument appointing the co-trustee;
- (c) the Trustee at any time, by an instrument in writing executed by it, with the concurrence of the Co-Issuers evidenced by an Issuer Order, may accept the resignation of or remove any co-trustee appointed under this Section 6.13, and if an Event of Default is continuing, the Trustee shall have the power to accept the resignation of, or remove, any co-trustee without the concurrence of the Co-Issuers. A successor to any co-trustee so resigned or removed may be appointed in the manner provided in this Section 6.13;

(d) no co-trustee under this Indenture shall be personally liable because of any act or omission of the Trustee under this Indenture;

(e) the Trustee shall not be liable because of any act or omission of a co-trustee; and

(f) any Act of Noteholders delivered to the Trustee shall be deemed to have been delivered to each co-trustee.

**Section 6.14. *Certain Duties of Trustee Related to Delayed Payment of Proceeds.***

If in any month the Trustee has not received a payment with respect to any Pledged Obligation on its Due Date:

(a) the Trustee shall promptly notify the Issuer and the Servicer in writing, and

(b) unless the payment is received by the Trustee within three Business Days (or the end of the applicable grace period for the payment, if longer) after the notice, or unless the Issuer, in its absolute discretion (but only to the extent permitted by Section 10.2(a)), makes provision for the payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with Section 10.2(a),

the Trustee shall request the issuer of the Pledged Obligation, the trustee under the related Underlying Instrument, or paying agent designated by either of them to make the payment as soon as practicable after the request but in no event later than three Business Days after the date of the request. If the payment is not made within that time period, the Trustee, subject to clause (iv) of Section 6.1(c), shall take the action directed by the Servicer in writing. Any such action shall be without prejudice to any right to claim a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture. If the Issuer or the Servicer requests a release of a Pledged Obligation or delivers a Collateral Obligation in connection with any such action under the Servicing Agreement, the release or substitution shall be subject to Section 10.6 and Article 12. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the Trustee shall deliver to the Issuer or its designee any payment with respect to any Pledged Obligation or any Collateral Obligation received after its Due Date to the extent the Issuer previously made provisions for the payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with this Section 6.14 and the payment shall not be part of the Collateral.

**Section 6.15. *Authenticating Agents.***

Upon the request of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee shall, and if the Trustee so chooses the Trustee may, appoint one or more Authenticating Agents with power to act on its behalf and subject to its direction in the authentication of the Notes in connection with issuance, transfers, and exchanges under Sections 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, and 8.5, as fully to all intents and purposes as though each Authenticating Agent had been expressly authorized by those Sections to authenticate the Notes. For all purposes of this Indenture, the authentication of Notes by an Authenticating Agent pursuant to this Section 6.15 shall be the authentication of the Notes "by the Trustee."

Any Authenticating Agent may at any time resign by giving written notice of resignation to the Trustee and the Issuer. The Trustee may at any time terminate the agency of any Authenticating Agent by giving written notice of termination to the Authenticating Agent and the Co-Issuers.

The Co-Issuers agree to pay to each Authenticating Agent from time to time reasonable compensation for its services, and reimbursement for its reasonable expenses relating to its services as an Administrative Expense; provided, however, that if the Trustee elects to appoint an Authenticating Agent without the approval or request of the Co-Issuers, then the Trustee shall pay

such compensation and reimbursement. Sections 2.9, 6.4, and 6.5 shall be applicable to any Authenticating Agent.

**Section 6.16. *Fiduciary for Noteholders Only; Agent for Secured Parties.***

With respect to the security interest created under this Indenture, the delivery of any Pledged Obligation to the Trustee is to the Trustee as representative of the Noteholders and agent for the other Secured Parties. In furtherance of the foregoing, the possession by the Trustee of any Pledged Obligation and the endorsement to or registration in the name of the Trustee of any Pledged Obligation (including as entitlement holder of the Custodial Account) are all undertaken by the Trustee in its capacity as representative of the Noteholders and agent for the other Secured Parties.

**Section 6.17. *Representations and Warranties of the Bank.***

The Bank represents and warrants as follows for the benefit of the Noteholders:

(a) *Organization.* The Bank has been duly organized and is validly existing as a national banking association and has the power to conduct its business and affairs as a trustee.

(b) *Authorization; Binding Obligations.* The Bank has the corporate power and authority to perform the duties and obligations of trustee under this Indenture. The Bank has taken all necessary corporate action to authorize the execution, delivery and performance of this Indenture, and all of the documents required to be executed by the Bank pursuant to this Indenture. Upon execution and delivery by the Bank, this Indenture will be the valid and legally binding obligation of the Bank enforceable in accordance with its terms.

(c) *Eligibility.* The Bank is eligible under Section 6.9 to serve as Trustee under this Indenture.

**Section 6.18. *Additional Reporting Requirements.***

If either of the Initial Purchasers elects to enter into a posting dealer agreement pursuant to Section 7.20, upon the effectiveness of the posting dealer agreement, the Issuer shall provide to The Bond Market Association certain documents for posting in the Repository as mutually agreed between the Servicer and such Initial Purchaser.

If either of the Initial Purchasers has entered into a posting dealer agreement, as promptly as possible following the execution of any supplemental indenture under Article 8, the Trustee at the expense of the Issuer shall deliver a copy of such supplemental indenture to the Repository in the manner described in Section 14.3(a)(ix).

**Section 6.19. *Withholding Tax Forms.***

The Issuer hereby agrees to deliver or cause to be delivered, a United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-8BEN (or successor form thereto) or any other appropriate tax certificates to the relevant issuer of its Collateral Obligations and issuer of its Eligible Investments at the time such Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments are purchased by the Issuer and thereafter as required under the relevant law. In addition, the Issuer hereby agrees to deliver, and the Issuer shall be required to deliver, United States Internal Revenue Service Forms W-8BEN (or successor form thereto) and other appropriate United States tax forms as may be required by the Hedge Counterparty, to the Hedge Counterparty at the time the Hedge Agreement is entered into and thereafter prior to the expiration or obsolescence of such form, and shall take any other action appropriate to prevent withholding or backup withholding tax on the Hedge Agreements. The Issuer

shall represent, to the Hedge Counterparty in the master agreement, confirmation or schedule to the Hedge Agreement, that the Issuer is a "non-U.S. branch" of a foreign person as that term is used in section 1.1441-4(a)(3)(ii) of the United States Treasury Regulations and a "foreign person" as that term is used in Section 1.6041-4(a)(4) of the United States Treasury Regulations. The Issuer will request that the Hedge Counterparty provide the Issuer a United States Internal Revenue Service Forms W-9 or W-8, as applicable, together with any required attachments, at the time the Hedge Agreement is entered into and thereafter prior to the expiration or obsolescence of such form.

## ARTICLE 7

### COVENANTS

#### Section 7.1. *Payment of Principal and Interest.*

The Applicable Issuers shall pay the principal of and interest on the Notes in accordance with the Notes and this Indenture.

The Issuer shall, subject to the Priority of Payments, reimburse the Co-Issuer for any amounts paid by the Co-Issuer pursuant to the Senior Notes or this Indenture. The Co-Issuer shall not reimburse the Issuer for any amounts paid by the Issuer pursuant to the Notes or this Indenture.

Amounts properly withheld under the Code or other applicable law by any Person from a payment to any Holder shall be considered as having been paid by the Applicable Issuers to the Holder for all purposes of this Indenture.

#### Section 7.2. *Maintenance of Office or Agency.*

The Co-Issuers appoint the Trustee as a Paying Agent for the payment of principal of and interest on the Notes. The Co-Issuers appoint Investors Bank & Trust Company, 200 Clarendon Street, Mailcode EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116, Attn: CDO Services Group, as the Co-Issuers' agent where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Notes or this Indenture may be served and where the Notes may be surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

The Co-Issuers may at any time and from time to time vary or terminate the appointment of any Paying Agent or appoint any additional agents for all of these purposes.

The Co-Issuers shall maintain in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, an office or agency where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Notes and this Indenture may be served, which office will initially be the office of Investors Bank & Trust Company, an Affiliate of the Trustee, located at 33 Maiden Lane, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10038, and an office or agency outside of the United States where the Notes may be presented and surrendered for payment.

No paying agent shall be appointed in a jurisdiction that subjects payments on the Notes to withholding tax.

So long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, the Co-Issuers shall maintain in Ireland a Paying Agent and an office or agency where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Senior Notes and this

Indenture may be served and where the Senior Notes may be surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange.

The Co-Issuers appoint, for so long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, AIB International Financial Services Ltd. (the "**Irish Paying Agent**") as Paying Agent in Ireland with respect to the Senior Notes, for the payment of principal, interest and other distributions on the Senior Notes and as the Co-Issuers' agent where notices and demands on the Co-Issuers in respect of the Senior Notes or this Indenture may be served. If the Irish Paying Agent is replaced at any time when any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, notice of the appointment of any replacement shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange as promptly as practicable after the appointment. The Co-Issuers shall give prompt written notice to the Trustee, each Rating Agency, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and the Holders of the Senior Notes of the appointment or termination of any such agent and of the location and any change in the location of any such office or agency.

If at any time the Co-Issuers fail to maintain any required office or agency in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, or outside the United States, or fail to furnish the Trustee with their addresses, notices and demands may be served on the Co-Issuers.

### Section 7.3. ***Money for Note Payments to be Held in Trust.***

All payments of amounts payable with respect to any Notes that are to be made from amounts withdrawn from the Payment Account shall be made on behalf of the Applicable Issuers by the Trustee or a Paying Agent with respect to payments on the Notes.

When the Applicable Issuers have a Paying Agent that is not also the Indenture Registrar, they shall furnish not later than the fifth calendar day after each Record Date a list in the form the Paying Agent reasonably requests, of the names and addresses of the Holders and of the certificate numbers of individual Notes held by each Holder.

Whenever the Applicable Issuers have a Paying Agent other than the Trustee, they shall, on or before the Business Day before each Payment Date or Redemption Date direct the Trustee to deposit on the Payment Date with the Paying Agent an aggregate sum sufficient to pay the amounts then becoming due (to the extent funds are then available for that purpose in the Payment Account), that sum to be held in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled to it and (unless the Paying Agent is the Trustee) the Co-Issuers shall promptly notify the Trustee of its action or failure so to act. Any monies deposited with a Paying Agent (other than the Trustee) in excess of an amount sufficient to pay the amounts then becoming due on the Notes with respect to which the deposit was made shall be paid over by the Paying Agent to the Trustee for application in accordance with Article 10.

Additional or successor Paying Agents shall be appointed by Issuer Order with written notice of the appointment to the Trustee. So long as Notes of any Class are rated by a Rating Agency any Paying Agent must either have a long-term debt rating of "Aa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or higher by Moody's and "AA-" or higher by S&P or a short-term debt rating of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) by Moody's and "A-1+" by S&P or the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency must be satisfied with respect to its appointment. If a successor Paying Agent ceases to have a long-term debt rating of "Aa3" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) or higher by Moody's and "AA-" or higher by S&P or a short-term debt rating of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) by Moody's and a short-term debt rating of "A-1+" by S&P, the Co-Issuers shall promptly remove the Paying Agent and appoint a successor Paying Agent. The Co-Issuers shall not appoint any Paying Agent that is not, at the time of the appointment, a depository institution or trust company subject to supervision



and examination by federal or state or national banking authorities. The Co-Issuers shall cause each Paying Agent other than the Trustee to execute and deliver to the Trustee an instrument in which the Paying Agent agrees with the Trustee, subject to this Section 7.3, that the Paying Agent will:

- (i) allocate all sums received for payment to the Noteholders for which it acts as Paying Agent on each Payment Date and any Redemption Date among the Holders in the proportion specified in the applicable report to the extent permitted by applicable law;
- (ii) hold all sums held by it for the payment of amounts due with respect to the Notes in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled to them until they are paid or otherwise disposed of as provided in this Indenture;
- (iii) immediately resign as a Paying Agent and forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums held by it in trust for the payment of the Notes if at any time it ceases to meet the standards required to be met by a Paying Agent at the time of its appointment;
- (iv) immediately give the Trustee notice of any default by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer (or any other obligor on the Notes) in the making of any payment required to be made; and
- (v) during the continuance of any such default, upon the written request of the Trustee, forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums so held in trust by the Paying Agent.

To obtain the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture or for any other purpose, the Co-Issuers may at any time pay, or by Issuer Order direct any Paying Agent to pay, to the Trustee all sums held in trust by the Co-Issuers or the Paying Agent, and, upon the payment by any Paying Agent to the Trustee, the Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to the money paid.

Any money deposited with a Paying Agent and not previously returned that remains unclaimed for 20 Business Days shall be returned to the Trustee. Except as otherwise required by applicable law, any money deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for the payment of the principal of or interest on any Note and remaining unclaimed for two years after the principal or interest has become payable shall be paid to the Applicable Issuers. The Noteholder shall thereafter look only to the Applicable Issuers for payment of the amounts due to it as an unsecured general creditor and all liability of the Trustee or the Paying Agent with respect to that money (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Applicable Issuers) shall thereupon cease. The Trustee or the Paying Agent, before being required to release any payment, may, but shall not be required to, adopt and employ, at the expense of the Applicable Issuers any reasonable means of notification of the release of the payment, including mailing notice of the release to Holders whose Notes have been called but have not been surrendered for redemption or whose right to or interest in monies payable but not claimed is determinable from the records of any Paying Agent, at the last address of record of each Holder.

#### Section 7.4. *Existence of Co-Issuers.*

(a) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall maintain in full force their existence and rights as companies incorporated or organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands and the State of Delaware, respectively, and shall obtain and preserve their qualification to do business as foreign corporations in each jurisdiction in which the qualifications are necessary to protect the validity and enforceability of this Indenture, the Notes, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and any of the Collateral.



However, the Issuer may change its jurisdiction of incorporation from the Cayman Islands to any other jurisdiction reasonably selected by the Issuer so long as:

(A) the Issuer has received a legal opinion (on which the Trustee may rely) to the effect that the change is not disadvantageous in any material respect to the Holders, the Servicer or any Hedge Counterparty,

(B) written notice of the change has been given by the Issuer to the Trustee, the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer, any Hedge Counterparty and each Rating Agency, and

(C) on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> Business Day following its receipt of the notice the Trustee has not received written notice from a Majority of the Controlling Class objecting to the change.

The Issuer may take any action required by this Indenture within the United States notwithstanding any provision of this Indenture requiring the Issuer to take the action outside of the United States so long as before taking the action the Issuer receives a Tax Opinion of Counsel to the effect that it is not necessary to take the action outside of the United States or any political subdivision of the United States to prevent the Issuer from becoming subject to any United States federal, state, or local withholding or other taxes.

(b) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall ensure that all corporate or other formalities regarding their respective existences (including holding regular board of directors' and shareholders', or other similar, meetings to the extent required by applicable law) are followed. Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall take any action or conduct its affairs in a manner that is likely to result in its separate existence being ignored or in its assets and liabilities being substantively consolidated with any other Person in a bankruptcy, reorganization or other insolvency proceeding. Without limiting the foregoing,

(i) the Issuer shall not have any subsidiaries,

(ii) the Co-Issuer shall not have any subsidiaries,

(iii) the Issuer shall maintain at all times at least one director who is Independent of the Servicer, the Trustee and any of their respective Affiliates,

(iv) the Issuer shall not commingle its funds with the funds of any other Person, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture, and

(v) except to the extent contemplated in the Servicing Agreement, the Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement and the declaration of trust by the Share Trustee, the Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall not:

(A) engage in any transaction with any shareholder that would be a conflict of interest (the entry into the Administration Agreement with the Administrator shall not be deemed a conflict of interest), or

(B) pay dividends in violation of this Indenture, the resolutions of its board of directors and the Preference Share Documents.

Section 7.5. ***Protection of Collateral.***

(a) The Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will procure any action within the Servicer's control that is reasonably necessary to maintain the perfection and priority of the security interest of the Trustee in the Collateral. The Issuer from time to time shall execute and deliver any supplements and amendments to this Indenture and shall execute and deliver any Financing Statements, continuation statements, instruments of further assurance, and other instruments and shall take any other action appropriate to secure the rights and remedies of the Secured Parties under this Indenture and to:

- (i) Grant more effectively all or any portion of the Collateral;
- (ii) maintain or preserve the lien (and its priority) of this Indenture or to carry out more effectively the purposes of this Indenture;
- (iii) perfect, publish notice of, or protect the validity of, any Grant made by this Indenture (including any actions appropriate as a result of changes in law);
- (iv) enforce any of the Pledged Obligations or other instruments or property included in the Collateral;
- (v) preserve and defend title to the Collateral and the rights of the Secured Parties in the Collateral against the claims of anyone; and
- (vi) pay when due all taxes levied or assessed on any part of the Collateral.

The Issuer designates the Servicer as its agent and attorney in fact to execute any Financing Statement, continuation statement, and all other instruments, and take all other actions, required pursuant to this Section 7.5.

The Issuer authorizes the filing without the Issuer's signature a financing statement that names the Issuer as "debtor" and Investors Bank & Trust Company as "secured party" (with or without indicating its capacity as Trustee hereunder) and that describes the Collateral as "all assets of the debtor, whether now owned or hereafter acquired and wherever located."

(b) The Trustee shall not:

- (i) except in accordance with Section 10.6(a), (b) or (c), remove any portion of the Collateral that consists of Cash or is evidenced by an instrument, certificate or other writing:
  - (A) from the jurisdiction in which it was held at the date the most recent Opinion of Counsel was delivered pursuant to Section 7.6 (or from the jurisdiction in which it was held as described in the Opinions of Counsel delivered at the Closing Date pursuant to Section 3.1(a)(iii) if no Opinion of Counsel has yet been delivered pursuant to Section 7.6), or
  - (B) from the possession of the Person who held it (other than the Bank), or
- (ii) cause or permit ownership or the pledge of any portion of the Collateral that consists of book-entry securities to be recorded on the books of a Person (other than the Bank):

(A) located in a different jurisdiction from the jurisdiction in which the ownership or pledge was recorded, or

(B) other than the Person on whose books the ownership or pledge was originally recorded, unless the Trustee shall have first received an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the lien and security interest created by this Indenture with respect to the property and its priority will continue to be maintained after giving effect to the change.

(c) Without at least 30 days' prior written notice to the Trustee and the Servicer, the Issuer shall not change its "location" (as defined in Section 9-307 of the UCC) or change its name from the name shown on the signature pages of this Indenture.

(d) The Issuer shall, subject to the Priority of Payments, enforce all of its material rights and remedies under the Servicing Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, each Hedge Agreement and each Securities Lending Agreement.

(e) The Issuer shall pay any taxes levied because any Pledged Obligations are owned by the Issuer.

(f) The Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will either exercise the "put" option that prevents a Collateral Obligation from being a Long-Dated Collateral Obligation on the last available date before the Stated Maturity of the Notes or sell the Collateral Obligation for Sale Proceeds at least equal to the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation, in either case by the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

**Section 7.6. *Opinions as to Collateral.***

On or before June 1 in each calendar year, commencing in 2008, the Issuer shall furnish to the Trustee and each of the Rating Agencies, an Opinion of Counsel stating that in the opinion of such counsel as of the date of such opinion under the District of Columbia Uniform Commercial Code, the UCC financing statement(s) filed in connection with the lien and security interests created by this Indenture shall remain effective and no additional financing statements, continuation statements or amendments with respect to such financing statement(s) shall be required to be filed in the District of Columbia from the date thereof through the next twelve months to maintain the perfection of the security interest of this Indenture under the District of Columbia Uniform Commercial Code.

**Section 7.7. *Performance of Obligations.***

(a) The Co-Issuers, each as to itself, shall not take any action, and shall use their reasonable commercial efforts not to permit any action to be taken by others, that would release any Person from any of the Person's covenants or obligations under any instrument included in the Collateral, except in the case of enforcement action taken with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation in accordance with this Indenture and actions by the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement and in conformity with this Indenture or as otherwise required by this Indenture.

(b) The Applicable Issuers may, with the prior written consent of a Majority of each Class of Notes and a Majority of the Preference Shares (except in the case of the Servicing Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement as initially executed), contract with other Persons (including the Servicer, the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator) for the performance of actions and obligations to be performed by the Applicable Issuers under this Indenture.

Notwithstanding any such arrangement, the Applicable Issuers shall remain primarily liable for performance under this Indenture. The Applicable Issuers shall punctually perform, and use their reasonable commercial efforts to cause the Servicer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and any other Person to perform, all of their obligations in the Servicing Agreement, this Indenture, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement or any other agreement.

Section 7.8. *Negative Covenants.*

(a) The Issuer shall not and, with respect to clauses (ii), (iii), (iv), (vi) and (ix), the Co-Issuer shall not, in each case from and after the Closing Date:

(i) sell, transfer, assign, exchange, or otherwise dispose of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecate, or otherwise encumber (or permit or suffer the sale, transfer, assignment, exchange, or other disposition of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecation, or other encumbering of), any part of the Collateral, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and the Servicing Agreement;

(ii) claim any credit on, make any deduction from, or, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable laws, dispute the enforceability of payment of the principal or interest (or any other amount) payable in respect of the Notes (other than amounts withheld in accordance with the Code or any applicable laws of the Cayman Islands) or assert any claim against any present or future Noteholder because of the payment of any taxes levied or assessed on any part of the Collateral;

(iii) (A) incur or assume or guarantee any indebtedness, other than the Notes and this Indenture and the transactions contemplated by this Indenture (including a Refinancing in accordance with Section 9.7 and including, as contemplated hereby, entering into the Hedge Agreements and Securities Lending Agreements) or (B) issue any additional class of securities other than the Preference Shares issued on or before the Closing Date, except as otherwise permitted by the Preference Share Documents;

(iv) (A) permit the validity or effectiveness of this Indenture or any Grant under this Indenture to be impaired, or permit the lien of this Indenture to be amended, hypothecated, subordinated, terminated, or discharged or permit any Person to be released from any covenants or obligations with respect to this Indenture or the Notes, except as may be expressly permitted by this Indenture or by the Servicing Agreement, (B) permit any lien, charge, adverse claim, security interest, mortgage or other encumbrance (other than the lien of this Indenture) to be created on or extend to or otherwise arise on or burden any part of the Collateral, any interest in it, or its proceeds of or (C) take any action that would permit the lien of this Indenture not to be a valid first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral;

(v) amend the Servicing Agreement except pursuant to its terms and Section 15.1(h) or amend the Collateral Administration Agreement except pursuant to its terms unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the amendment or enter into any waiver in respect of any of the foregoing agreements without providing written notice to each Rating Agency and the Trustee (and, with respect to the Collateral Administration Agreement, without the consent of the Trustee);

(vi) to the extent permitted by applicable law, dissolve or liquidate in whole or in part, except as permitted under this Indenture;

(vii) pay any dividends or other distributions other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents;

(viii) conduct business under any name other than its own;

(ix) have any employees (other than directors and officers to the extent they are employees); or

(x) except for any Underlying Instrument and agreements involving the purchase or sale of Collateral Obligations having customary purchase or sale terms and documented with customary trading documentation (but not excepting any Synthetic Security or Hedge Agreement), enter into any agreement unless the agreement contains "non-petition" and "limited recourse" provisions and shall not amend such "non-petition" and "limited recourse" provisions without prior Rating Confirmation.

(b) Neither the Issuer nor the Trustee shall sell, transfer, exchange or otherwise dispose of Collateral, or enter into an agreement or commitment to do so, or enter into or engage in any business with respect to any part of the Collateral, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer, the Servicing Agreement.

(c) The Co-Issuer shall not invest any of its assets in "securities" as the term is defined in the Investment Company Act, and shall keep all of its assets in Cash.

(d) Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall use the proceeds of the Notes to buy or carry Margin Stock.

**Section 7.9. *Notice of Default; Statement as to Compliance.***

(a) The Co-Issuers shall notify the Trustee, the Servicer, the Rating Agencies and each Hedge Counterparty within 10 days of acquiring actual knowledge of Default.

(b) On or before May 15 in each calendar year, commencing in 2008, the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee (to be forwarded by the Trustee to the Servicer and each Noteholder making a written request therefor and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit H certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) and each Rating Agency) a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer that, to the best knowledge of the Issuer, no Default exists, and has not existed since the date of the last certificate or, if a Default does then exist or had existed, specifying the same and its nature and status, including actions undertaken to remedy it, and that the Issuer has complied with all of its obligations under this Indenture or, if that is not the case, specifying those obligations with which it has not complied.

**Section 7.10. *Co-Issuers May Consolidate, etc. Only on Certain Terms.***

Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer (the "**Merging Entity**") shall consolidate or merge with or into any other Person or transfer or convey all or substantially all of its assets to any Person, unless permitted by Cayman Islands law (in the case of the Issuer) or United States and Delaware law (in the case of the Co-Issuer) and unless:

(a) the Merging Entity shall be the surviving corporation, or the Person (if other than the Merging Entity) formed by the consolidation or into which the Merging Entity is merged or to which all or substantially all of the assets of the Merging Entity are transferred (the "**Successor Entity**"),

(i) if the Merging Entity is the Issuer, is a company organized and existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands or another jurisdiction approved by a Majority of the Controlling Class (except that no approval shall be required in connection with any such transaction undertaken solely to effect a change in the jurisdiction of incorporation pursuant to Section 7.4), and

(ii) in any case shall expressly assume, by an indenture supplemental to this Indenture, executed and delivered to the Trustee and each Noteholder, the due and punctual payment of all amounts on all Notes issued by the Merging Entity and the performance and observance of every covenant of this Indenture on its part to be performed or observed, all as provided in this Indenture;

(b) each Rating Agency shall have been notified of the consolidation, merger, transfer, or conveyance and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the transaction;

(c) if the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall have agreed with the Trustee,

(i) to observe the same legal requirements for the recognition of the formed or surviving corporation as a legal entity separate and apart from any of its Affiliates as are applicable to the Merging Entity with respect to its Affiliates,

(ii) not to consolidate or merge with or into any other Person or transfer or convey the Collateral or all or substantially all of its assets to any other Person except in accordance with this Section 7.10; and

(iii) in any case shall expressly assume by an indenture supplemental to this Indenture, executed and delivered to the Trustee, each Noteholder and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the due and punctual payment of all amounts on all the Notes issued by the Merging Entity and the performance and observance of every covenant of this Indenture on its part to be performed or observed, all as provided in this Indenture;

(d) if the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall have delivered to the Trustee and each Rating Agency an Officer's certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that it is duly organized, validly existing, and in good standing in the jurisdiction in which it is organized; that it has sufficient power and authority to assume the obligations in subsection (a) above and to execute and deliver an indenture supplemental to this Indenture for the purpose of assuming the obligations in subsection (a) above; that it has duly authorized the execution, delivery, and performance of an indenture supplemental to this Indenture for the purpose of assuming the obligations in subsection (a) above and that the supplemental indenture is its valid and legally binding obligation, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject only to bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium, and other laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally and to general principles of equity; if the Merging Entity is the Issuer, that, following the event that causes the Successor Entity to become the successor to the Issuer, (i) the Successor Entity has title, free of any lien, security interest, or charge, other than the lien and security interest of this Indenture, to the Collateral, and (ii) the lien of this Indenture continues to be effective in the Collateral; and in each case as to any other matters the Trustee or any Noteholder reasonably requires;

(e) after giving effect to the transaction, no Default or Event of Default shall be continuing;

(f) the Merging Entity shall have notified each Rating Agency of the consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance and shall have delivered to the Trustee, each Noteholder and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) an Officer's certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that the consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance and the supplemental indenture comply with this Article 7 and that all conditions precedent in this Article 7 relating to the transaction have been complied with and shall have obtained a Tax Opinion of Counsel that no adverse tax consequences will result therefrom to the Holders of the Securities;

(g) the Merging Entity shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel stating that after giving effect to the transaction, neither of the Co-Issuers (or, if applicable, the Successor Entity) will be required to register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act; and

(h) after giving effect to the transaction, the outstanding stock of the Merging Entity (or, if applicable, the Successor Entity) will not be beneficially owned within the meaning of the Investment Company Act by any U.S. Person.

**Section 7.11. *Successor Substituted.***

Upon any consolidation or merger, or transfer or conveyance of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, in accordance with Section 7.10 in which the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall succeed to, and be substituted for, and may exercise every right of, the Merging Entity under this Indenture with the same effect as if the Person had been named as the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, in this Indenture. Upon any such consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance, the Person named as the "Issuer" or the "Co-Issuer" in the first paragraph of this Indenture or any successor may be dissolved, wound up and liquidated at any time thereafter, and the Person thereafter shall be released from its liabilities as obligor and maker on all the Notes and from its obligations under this Indenture.

**Section 7.12. *No Other Business.***

(a) From and after the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not engage in any business or activity other than issuing and selling the Notes pursuant to this Indenture and the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents and acquiring, owning, holding, and pledging and selling Collateral Obligations and the other Collateral in connection therewith, and shall not act as agent, negotiator or structurer with respect to any Collateral, act as a participant in negotiating terms of a primary loan agreement, enter into a binding commitment to purchase any Collateral prior to the issuance thereof or engage in any transaction or activity not permitted by the Collateral Acquisition Agreement or which the Issuer knows would cause it to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States within the meaning of the Code or subject the Issuer's income to taxation on a net basis in any jurisdiction, and the Co-Issuer shall not engage in any business or activity other than issuing and selling the Notes to be issued by it pursuant to this Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, other activities appropriate to accomplish the foregoing or incidental thereto or connected therewith.

(b) In furtherance and not in limitation of clause (a) of this Section 7.12, the Issuer shall comply with all of the provisions set forth in the Collateral Acquisition Agreement, unless, with respect to a particular transaction, it obtains written advice of Latham & Watkins LLP or a Tax Opinion of Counsel that, under the relevant facts and circumstances with respect to such transaction, the Issuer's failure to comply with one or more of such provisions will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States within the meaning of the Code or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis.

The provisions set forth in the Collateral Acquisition Agreement may be amended, eliminated or supplemented (without execution of a supplemental indenture) if the Issuer obtains written advice of Latham & Watkins LLP or a Tax Opinion of Counsel that the Issuer's compliance with such amended provisions or supplemental provisions or the Issuer's failure to comply with such provisions proposed to be eliminated, as the case may be, will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States within the meaning of the Code or otherwise to be subject to United States federal income tax on a net basis and, at the request of the Issuer, the Trustee is hereby authorized to enter into any amendment of the Collateral Acquisition Agreement under such circumstances; provided, however, that written notice of any such amendment, elimination or supplementation of or to the provisions of the Collateral Acquisition Agreement pursuant to this Section 7.12(b) shall be provided to each Rating Agency then rating any Outstanding Class of Notes within 90 days of any such amendment, elimination or supplementation. For the avoidance of doubt, in the event written advice of Latham & Watkins LLP or a Tax Opinion of Counsel as described above has been obtained in accordance with the terms hereof, no consent of any Noteholder or satisfaction of the Rating Condition shall be required in order to comply with this Section 7.12(b) in connection with the amendment, elimination or supplementation of any provision of the Collateral Acquisition Agreement contemplated by such written advice or opinion.

(c) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer may amend, or permit the amendment of, their Memorandum and Articles or the Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the amendment (but not otherwise).

#### Section 7.13. *Listing on Irish Stock Exchange.*

So long as any Senior Notes remain Outstanding, the Co-Issuers shall use all reasonable efforts to obtain and maintain the listing of the Senior Notes on the regulated market of the ISE; provided that the Co-Issuers will not be required to maintain a listing on a stock exchange in the European Union if compliance with requirements of the European Commission on a member state becomes burdensome in the sole judgment of the Servicer.

#### Section 7.14. *Annual Rating Review.*

So long as any Notes of any Class remain Outstanding, on or before May 1 in each year commencing in 2008, the Co-Issuers shall obtain and pay for an annual review or ongoing surveillance of the rating of each Outstanding Class of Notes from each Rating Agency, as applicable. The Co-Issuers shall promptly notify the Trustee and the Servicer in writing (and the Trustee shall promptly provide a copy of the notice to the Noteholders) and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) if at any time the rating of any Class of Notes has been, or is known will be, changed or withdrawn.

#### Section 7.15. *Reporting.*

At any time when the Co-Issuers are not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act and are not exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act, upon the request of a Holder or Beneficial Owner of any Note, the Co-Issuers shall promptly furnish "Rule 144A Information" to the Holder or Beneficial Owner, to a prospective purchaser of a Note designated by the Holder or Beneficial Owner or to the Trustee for delivery to the Holder or Beneficial Owner or a prospective purchaser designated by the Holder or Beneficial Owner, as the case may be, to permit compliance by the Holder or Beneficial Owner with Rule 144A under the Securities Act in connection with the resale of the Note by the Holder or Beneficial Owner. "**Rule 144A Information**" is the information specified pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act.



Section 7.16. *Calculation Agent.*

(a) The Issuer agrees that for so long as any Floating Rate Notes remain Outstanding an agent will always have been appointed (that does not control and is not controlled by or under common control with the Issuer or its Affiliates) to calculate LIBOR in respect of each Interest Period (the "*Calculation Agent*"). The Issuer has initially appointed the Trustee as Calculation Agent. The Issuer may remove the Calculation Agent at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Issuer or if the Calculation Agent fails to determine any of the information required to be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange, as described in subsection (b), in respect of any Interest Period, the Issuer or the Servicer (on its behalf) shall promptly appoint a replacement Calculation Agent. For so long as any Floating Rate Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, notice of the appointment of any replacement Calculation Agent shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange as promptly as practicable after the appointment. The Calculation Agent may not resign its duties without a successor having been duly appointed.

(b) As soon as possible after 11:00 A.M., London time, on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period, but in no event later than 11:00 A.M., London time, on the next Business Day, the Calculation Agent shall calculate the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes for the next Interest Period. The Calculation Agent shall communicate those rates and amounts to the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, each Paying Agent, the Servicer, Euroclear, Clearstream, the Depository, and, so long as any of the Floating Rate Notes are listed thereon and the rules of the exchange so require, the Irish Stock Exchange. In the latter case, the information shall be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange as soon as possible after its determination. The Calculation Agent shall separately notify the Irish Stock Exchange of the information. The Calculation Agent shall also specify to the Co-Issuers the quotations on which the foregoing rates are based, and in any event the Calculation Agent shall notify the Co-Issuers before 7:00 P.M., London time, on the second Business Day before the first day of each Interest Period that either:

- (i) it has determined or is in the process of determining the Note Interest Rate for each Class of Floating Rate Notes, or
- (ii) it has not determined and is not in the process of determining any such Note Interest Rate together with its reasons therefor.

The Calculation Agent's determination of the foregoing rates for any Interest Period shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding on all parties and the Holders and Beneficial Owners of the Preference Shares.

Section 7.17. *Certain Tax Matters.*

(a) For United States federal income tax purposes, the Issuer shall treat the Preference Shares as equity and the Notes as debt. Each Holder of a Note, by its acquisition of that Note, agrees to treat those Notes as debt for United States federal income tax purposes.

(b) The Issuer will not make an election to be treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and will take all necessary actions to maintain its status as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

(c) The Issuer shall file, or cause to be filed, any tax returns, including information tax returns, required by any governmental authority; provided, however, that the Issuer shall not file, or cause to be filed, any income or franchise tax return in any state of the United States unless it shall have obtained a Tax Opinion of Counsel prior to such filing that, under the laws of such jurisdiction, the Issuer is required to file such income or franchise tax return.

(d) In order to ensure the Holders' and Beneficial Owners' acquisition of the Notes pursuant to this Indenture are not treated as offered under conditions of confidentiality, the Holders and Beneficial Owners of the Notes (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) are hereby permitted to disclose to any and all Persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement (including the ownership and disposition of the Notes). For this purpose, the tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction, and the tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction.

(e) If the Issuer is aware that it has purchased an interest in a "reportable transaction" within the meaning of Section 6011 of the Code, and a Noteholder requests information about any such transactions in which the Issuer is a purchaser, the Issuer shall provide such information it has reasonably available as soon as practicable after such request.

(f) The Issuer shall not conduct any business other than the business that the Issuer is permitted to conduct under this Indenture and the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

(g) The Issuer shall provide, upon the request by a Holder of Class E Notes, such information for the purposes of allowing such Holder to make a protective "qualifying electing fund" election. The Issuer shall provide, upon request of a Holder of Class E Notes, any information that such Holder reasonably requests to assist such Holder with regard to any filing requirements the Holder may have as a result of the controlled foreign corporation rules under the Code. Upon written request by the Independent accountants, the Indenture Registrar shall provide to the Independent accountants that information contained in the Indenture Register requested by the Independent accountants to comply with this Section 7.17.

(h) The Issuer will treat each purchase of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments as a "purchase" for tax accounting and reporting purposes.

(i) Each of the Issuers and the Trustee agrees that it does not intend for this Indenture to represent an agreement to enter into a partnership, a joint venture or any other business entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The Issuers and the Trustee shall not represent or otherwise hold themselves out to the United States Internal Revenue Service or other third parties as partners in a partnership or members of a joint venture or other business entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

#### Section 7.18. *Securities Lending.*

(a) So long as no Event of Default is continuing and if after the completion of the transaction the limit in clause (31) of the definition of "Concentration Limitations" would be satisfied, the Servicer may cause Collateral Obligations that are not Defaulted Collateral Obligations

to be lent for a term of 90 days or less to banks, broker-dealers and other financial institutions (other than insurance companies) having long-term and short-term senior unsecured debt ratings or guarantors with ratings of at least "A1" (and not "A1" but on credit watch with negative implications) and "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's and a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A" or a short-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A-1" from S&P (each, a "**Securities Lending Counterparty**") pursuant to one or more agreements (each, a "**Securities Lending Agreement**"); provided that Collateral Obligations the Market Value of which cannot be determined under clause (i), (ii) or (iii) of that definition may not be lent pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement. Upon receipt of an Issuer Order, the Trustee shall release any lent Collateral Obligations to a Securities Lending Counterparty as directed by the Servicer. The Securities Lending Counterparties may be Affiliates of the Initial Purchasers or Affiliates of the Servicer. The duration of any Securities Lending Agreement shall not exceed the Stated Maturity of the Notes.

(b) Each Securities Lending Agreement shall be on market terms as determined by the Servicer (except as may be required below) and shall:

(i) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty return to the Issuer debt obligations that are identical (in terms of issue and class) to the lent Collateral Obligations;

(ii) require that the Securities Lending Counterparty pay to the Issuer amounts equivalent to all interest and other payments that the owner of the lent Collateral Obligation is entitled to for the period during which the Collateral Obligation is lent and require that any such payments not be subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction unless the Securities Lending Counterparty is required under the Securities Lending Agreement to make "gross-up" payments to the Issuer that cover the full amount of the withholding tax on an after-tax basis;

(iii) require that the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency shall be satisfied with respect to the execution of the Securities Lending Agreement;

(iv) satisfy any other requirements of Section 1058 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated under it;

(v) be governed by the laws of New York;

(vi) permit the Issuer to assign its rights under the Securities Lending Agreement to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture;

(vii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Collateral Obligation becomes a Credit Risk Obligation or is subject to redemption in accordance with its terms;

(viii) provide for early termination and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty upon any redemption of the Notes in whole;

(ix) require the Securities Lending Counterparty to post with the Trustee collateral consisting of cash or direct registered debt obligations of the United States of America that have a maturity date no later than the Business Day preceding the stated termination date of the Securities Lending Agreement (the "**Securities Lending Collateral**") to secure its obligation to return the Collateral Obligations or in the alternative post the Securities Lending Collateral with a custodian for the benefit of the Issuer designated by the Securities Lending Counterparty that satisfies the requirements with respect to being a

securities intermediary with respect to the posted collateral if that custodian would qualify to be a successor trustee under Section 6.9;

(x) provide that the Securities Lending Collateral shall be maintained at all times in an amount equal to at least 102% of the current Ask-Side Market Value (determined daily and monitored by the Servicer) of the lent Collateral Obligations and if securities are delivered to the Trustee as security for the obligations of the Securities Lending Counterparty under the related Securities Lending Agreement, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer will negotiate with the Securities Lending Counterparty a rate for the loan fee to be paid to the Issuer for lending the lent Collateral Obligations;

(xi) the lent Collateral Obligations shall be marked-to-market on a daily basis by the Servicer on the basis of their Market Value;

(xii) the Collateral will include the Issuer's rights under the related Securities Lending Agreement rather than the loaned Collateral Obligation;

(xiii) provide for early termination within 10 days at the option of the Issuer and the delivery of any lent Collateral Obligation with no penalty if the Securities Lending Counterparty is no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty and the noncompliance is not cured as provided in this Indenture; and

(xiv) contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions (to the extent the Issuer has contractual payment obligations to the Securities Lending Counterparty) equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those in this Indenture.

(c) If either Moody's or S&P downgrades a Securities Lending Counterparty such that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party are no longer in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of the Securities Lending Counterparty, then the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, within 10 days of the downgrade, shall

(i) terminate its Securities Lending Agreements with the Securities Lending Counterparty unless a guarantor with the required ratings for the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements has been obtained; or

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations lent to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty so that the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party, together with all other Securities Lending Agreements, are in compliance with the requirements relating to the credit ratings of Securities Lending Counterparties; or

(iii) take any other steps Moody's or S&P may require to cause the Securities Lending Counterparty's obligations under the Securities Lending Agreements to which the Securities Lending Counterparty is a party to be treated by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, as if the obligations were owed by a counterparty having a rating at least equivalent to the rating that was assigned by Moody's or S&P, as the case may be, to the downgraded Securities Lending Counterparty before its being downgraded.

(d) In connection with any such direction by the Servicer to enter into a Securities Lending Agreement, the Trustee may receive and rely on an Issuer Order to the effect that the Securities Lending Agreement, and its Securities Lending Counterparty, is each in compliance with the requirements of this Indenture (including the definition of "Securities Lending Counterparty").

The Issuer and the Trustee may enter into any Securities Lending Agreement (and any related account control agreement) at the instruction of the Servicer, and deliver and accept delivery and return of any Collateral Obligations pursuant to the Securities Lending Agreement, or pursuant to instructions from the Servicer in connection with the Securities Lending Agreement. The Trustee may take any actions and exercise any rights and remedies under any Securities Lending Agreement that the Servicer instructs. The Trustee need not enter into any Securities Lending Agreement (or any related account control agreement) that would in its judgment, subject it to any liability, whether financial or otherwise, or cause it to incur or subject it to risk of any cost or disbursement for which it is not, in its judgment, adequately indemnified, or that would impose on it any obligations or administrative burdens that are unacceptable to it. The Servicer shall instruct the Trustee in writing with respect to the administration of any Securities Lending Agreement (including with respect to any default and the exercise of rights under it). The Trustee shall not have any responsibility for evaluating the sufficiency, validity or acceptability of any Securities Lending Agreement or for the qualifications or eligibility of any Securities Lending Counterparty. Nothing in this Indenture shall be construed to cause the Trustee to have any fiduciary duties to any Securities Lending Counterparty.

So long as any Collateral Obligation is on loan pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement,

(a) the Trustee shall have no liability for any failure or inability on its part to receive any information or take any action with respect to the Collateral Obligation because of its being on loan (including any failure to take action with respect to a notice of redemption, consent solicitation, exchange or tender offer, or similar corporate action), and

(b) the loaned Collateral Obligations shall not be disqualified for return to the Trustee as a Collateral Obligation by any change in circumstance or status during the time while on loan (including any change that would cause the Collateral Obligation to be ineligible for purchase by the Issuer under this Indenture if applied to a proposed purchase of it in the open market at the time of its return from loan).

**Section 7.19. *Purchase of Collateral Obligations; Ramp-Up Completion Date.***

(a) The Issuer shall use its best efforts to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period or enter into commitments to purchase Collateral Obligations on any Business Day during the Ramp-Up Period for purchase on or as soon as practicable thereafter (not to exceed 60 days thereafter), in each case, for inclusion in the Collateral so that each of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes is at least U.S.\$981,300,000.

(b) No Collateral Obligations may be purchased prior to the Ramp-Up Completion Date unless immediately following the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (as certified by the Servicer in writing), the remaining funds in the Collection Account, after giving effect to such purchase, are sufficient as of the date of determination to purchase Collateral Obligations for inclusion in the Collateral so that each of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations and the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator with respect to the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes is at least U.S.\$981,300,000 (taking into account the Collateral Obligations already part of the Collateral (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date)).

(c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, or any other provision of this Indenture, if the Issuer has previously entered into a commitment to purchase a Collateral Obligation to be included

in the Collateral, such commitment initially not to exceed 60 days, and at the time of the commitment the Collateral Obligation complied with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set forth in this Section 7.19, the Issuer may consummate the purchase of the Collateral Obligation notwithstanding that the Collateral Obligation fails to comply with the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and the requirements set out above on the date of settlement.

(d) The Issuer will use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase, or to enter into binding agreements to purchase, Collateral Obligations by the Ramp-Up Completion Date, that, together with the Collateral Obligations purchased on or before the Closing Date and then held by the Issuer, will satisfy, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (without giving effect to any reductions of that amount that may have resulted from scheduled principal payments, principal prepayments or dispositions made with respect to any Collateral Obligations on or before the Ramp-Up Completion Date), the Collateral Quality Tests, the Concentration Limitations, the criteria set forth in Section 12.2 of this Indenture and the Overcollateralization Tests.

(e) No later than five Business Days after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, the Issuer shall notify each of the Rating Agencies in writing of the occurrence of the Ramp-Up Completion Date (each, a "**Ramp-Up Notice**") and request in writing that each of S&P and Moody's confirm in writing within 25 days of delivery of such Ramp-Up Notice that it has not reduced or withdrawn the Initial Ratings; *provided*, however, that the Issuer shall not be required to request a Rating Confirmation from Moody's if, as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date Moody's has received an Accountants' Certificate confirming (i) the Issuer is in compliance with each of the Collateral Quality Tests, the Coverage Tests and the Concentration Limitations and (ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owns or has committed to purchase is at least equal to \$981,300,000. In connection with such request or, in the case of Moody's, in lieu of such request, the Issuer shall provide a report to the Rating Agencies identifying the Collateral Obligations then included in the Collateral and the Issuer shall obtain and deliver to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies, together with the delivery of a report (and, with respect to S&P, an Excel Default Model Input File and, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, the name of the obligor thereon and the CUSIP number thereof (if applicable)) substantially in the form of a Monthly Report as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date, an Accountants' Certificate confirming:

(i) confirming the maturity date, rating, spread and recovery rate for each item of Original Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date and the information provided by the Issuer with respect to every other asset included in the Collateral, by reference to such sources as shall be specified therein;

(ii) confirming that as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date:

(1) each of the Coverage Tests are satisfied;

(2) the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations that the Issuer owned or committed to purchase as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date is at least equal to the Maximum Amount; and

(3) the Collateral Obligations comply with all of the requirements of the Collateral Quality Tests and the Concentration Limitations; and

(iii) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to the foregoing statements.

(f) Any failure by the Issuer to obtain a Ratings Confirmation pursuant to Section 7.19(e) above shall be a Rating Confirmation Failure (a "**Rating Confirmation Failure**." If a

Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, the Notes will be redeemed pursuant to, and to the extent provided in, Section 9.1(a).

**Section 7.20. *Posting of Reports on Repository.***

If either of the Initial Purchasers has entered into a posting dealer agreement with The Bond Market Association relating to the transactions contemplated by this Indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer acknowledges and agrees that each Monthly Report and Valuation Report may be posted to the Repository for use in the manner provided in the Repository. In connection therewith, the Trustee, at the expense of the Issuer, agrees to make available in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(ix) each Monthly Report or Valuation Report to the operator of the Repository for posting on the Repository. Such Initial Purchaser will notify the Trustee, the Co-Issuers and the Servicer upon entering into a posting dealer agreement.

**Section 7.21. *Secondary Risk Procedures.***

The Servicer shall notify S&P and request that S&P modify the S&P CDO Monitor accordingly if on any date (as disclosed in the most recent Monthly Report):

(a) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Collateral Obligations participated from or entered into with the same Secondary Risk Counterparty exceeds the percentage of the Maximum Amount in the Secondary Risk Table opposite the long-term S&P credit rating of the Secondary Risk Counterparty under the caption "Individual Counterparty Limit," or

(b) the Aggregate Principal Amount of all Collateral Obligations participated from or entered into with Secondary Risk Counterparties with the same long-term credit rating exceeds the percentage of the Maximum Amount in the Secondary Risk Table opposite that rating under the caption "Aggregate Counterparty Limit" (excluding up to 5% by Aggregate Principal Amount of Synthetic Securities with respect to Collateral Obligations the Aggregate Counterparty Limit of which is 20% to the extent that (x) such exposure is fully collateralized with respect to principal and (y) the related Synthetic Security Counterparties are rated at least "A-1+" by S&P).

**Section 7.22. *Section 3(c)(7) Procedures.***

In addition to the notices required to be given under Section 10.6 hereof, the Issuer shall take the following actions to ensure compliance with the requirements of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act (provided that such procedures and disclosures may be revised by the Issuer to be consistent with generally accepted practice for compliance with the requirements of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act):

(a) *Section 3(c)(7) Notice to Investors.* The Issuer shall (i) request the Depository to cause, and cooperate with the Depository in causing, the Depository's security description and delivery order to include a "3(c)(7) marker" and the Depository's user manual to contain an accurate description of the restrictions on the holding and transfer of the Notes due to the Issuer's reliance on the exclusion to registration provided by Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act, (ii) request that the Depository send, and cooperate with the Depository in causing the Depository to send, to its Agent Members (x) the Important Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice substantially in the form of Exhibit G-2 in connection with the initial offering of the Notes and (y) the Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice substantially in the form of Exhibit G-1 as set forth in Section 10.6(b) and (iii) request that the Depository cause, and cooperate with the Depository in causing, the Depository's Reference Directory to include each Class of Notes (and the applicable CUSIP numbers for the Notes) in the listing of 3(c)(7) issues together with an attached description of the limitations as to the distribution, purchase, sale and holding of the Notes.



(b) *CUSIP Numbers.* The Issuer shall (a) request of S&P, and shall cooperate with S&P to ensure that all CUSIP numbers identifying the Notes shall have a "fixed field" attached thereto that contains "3c7" and "144A" indicators and (b) take steps to cause the Initial Purchasers and any market makers to require that all "confirms" of trades of the Notes contain CUSIP numbers with such "fixed field" identifiers.

(c) *Bloomberg and other Third-Party Vendor Screens.* The Issuer shall use all reasonable efforts to cause the Bloomberg screen or screens containing information about the Notes to include the following language: (a) the "Note Box" on the bottom of the "Security Display" page describing the Notes shall state: "Iss'd Under 144A/3(c)(7)," (b) the "Security Display" page shall have the flashing red indicator "See Other Available Information" and (c) the indicator shall link to the "Additional Security Information" page, which shall state that the securities are "being offered in reliance on the exemption from registration under Rule 144A of the Securities Act, to persons who are both (x) qualified institutional buyers (as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act) and (y) qualified purchasers (as defined under Section 3(c)(7) under the Investment Company Act)." The Issuer shall use all reasonable efforts to require that any other third-party vendor screens containing information about the Notes include substantially similar language to clauses (a) through (c) above.

## ARTICLE 8

### SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURES

#### Section 8.1. *Supplemental Indentures Without Consent of Holders.*

(a) Without the consent of the Holders of any Securities (other than with respect to the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class specified in clause (15) below), when authorized by Board Resolutions, and subject to the requirement provided below in this Section 8.1 with respect to the ratings of any Class of Notes, the Co-Issuers and the Trustee may, if, with respect to any matters described in clauses (1) through (23) below, the interests of the Holders of the Securities (except, in the case of clause (12) below, any Holders of Notes subject to the applicable Refinancing) are not materially and adversely affected thereby (the Co-Issuers and the Trustee will be bound by a standard of good faith and fair dealing in making such determination) execute one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, to:

- (1) evidence the succession of another Person to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and the assumption by the successor Person of the obligations of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in this Indenture and in the Securities;
- (2) add to the covenants of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders or to surrender any right in this Indenture conferred on the Co-Issuers;
- (3) convey, transfer, assign, mortgage or pledge any property to the Trustee, or add to the conditions, limitations, or restrictions on the authorized amount, terms, and purposes of the issue, authentication and delivery of the Notes;
- (4) evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment under this Indenture by a successor Trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of this Indenture necessary to facilitate the administration of the trusts under this Indenture by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of Sections 6.10, 6.11, and 6.13;
- (5) correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of this Indenture, or to better assure, convey, and confirm to the Trustee any property



subject or required to be subject to the lien of this Indenture (including all actions appropriate as a result of changes in law) or to subject to the lien of this Indenture any additional property;

(6) cause any provision of this Indenture to conform to, or be consistent with, the statements made with respect to such provision in the Offering Memorandum;

(7) modify the restrictions on and procedures for resales and other transfers of the Notes to reflect any changes in applicable law (or its interpretation) or to enable the Co-Issuers to rely on any less restrictive exemption from registration under the Securities Act (including, without limitation, to add provisions for resales and transfers of the Class E Notes and/or Preference Shares under Regulation S) or the Investment Company Act or to remove restrictions on resale and transfer to the extent not required under this Indenture;

(8) with the consent of the Servicer, modify (A) the restrictions on the sales of Collateral Obligations in Section 12.1 or (B) with the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld), the Eligibility Criteria in Section 12.2 (and the definitions related thereto); provided that, for the avoidance of doubt, the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall not be required if such amendment also satisfies the requirements of clause (24) below;

(9) make appropriate changes for any Class of Senior Notes to be listed on an exchange other than the Irish Stock Exchange;

(10) otherwise to correct any inconsistency or cure any ambiguity or errors in this Indenture;

(11) accommodate the issuance of the Senior Notes in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC or otherwise;

(12) to accommodate a Refinancing effected pursuant to and in compliance with Section 9.7; provided that no Holders of Notes or Preference Shares are materially adversely affected thereby, other than Holders of Notes subject to such Refinancing;

(13) take any appropriate action to prevent the Issuer, the Holders of the Securities, or the Trustee from becoming subject to withholding or other taxes, fees, or assessments or to prevent the Issuer from being treated as being engaged in a U.S. trade or business or otherwise being subject to income tax on a net income basis, so long as the action will not cause the Holders of any Securities to be adversely affected to any material extent by any change to the timing, character, or source of the income from the Securities, as evidenced by a Tax Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion);

(14) authorize the appointment of any listing agent, Transfer Agent, Paying Agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes appropriate in connection with the listing of any Class of Senior Notes on the Irish Stock Exchange or any other stock exchange, and otherwise to amend this Indenture to incorporate any changes required or requested by any governmental authority, stock exchange authority, listing agent, Transfer Agent, Paying Agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes in connection with its appointment, so long as the supplemental indenture would not materially and adversely affect any Noteholder, as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and

other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Notes;

(15) with the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class, amend, modify, enter into or accommodate the execution of any contract relating to a Synthetic Security (including posting collateral under a Synthetic Security Agreement) if such particular action is not otherwise permitted under the Indenture;

(16) modify Section 3.3 to be consistent with applicable laws or Rating Agency requirements;

(17) evidence any waiver by any Rating Agency as to any requirement or condition, as applicable, of the Rating Agency set forth in this Indenture;

(18) facilitate the issuance of participation notes, combination notes, composite securities and other similar securities;

(19) facilitate hedging transactions;

(20) facilitate the ability of the Issuer to lend collateral pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement;

(21) modify any provision to facilitate an A/B Exchange, including to effect any serial designation relating to the exchange;

(22) with the consent of the Servicer, enter into any additional agreements not expressly prohibited by this Indenture as well as any amendment, modification, or waiver if the Issuer determines that the amendment, modification, or waiver would not, upon or after becoming effective, materially and adversely affect the rights or interest of the Holders of any Class of Securities as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an officer of the Servicer to the effect that the modification would not be materially adverse to the Holders of any Class of Securities; provided that, for the avoidance of doubt, this clause (22) shall not permit the Co-Issuers and the Trustee to effect any amendment that expressly requires the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class without such consent;

(23) provide for the issuance of additional Preference Shares to the extent permitted by the Preference Share Documents and to extend to such additional Preference Shares the benefits applicable to the Preference Shares under the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents; or

(24) prevent the Issuer from becoming an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); provided that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Servicer shall have received (A) a Rating Confirmation with respect to such supplemental indenture and (B) a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such supplemental

indenture, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

(b) Without the consent of the Servicer, no supplemental indenture may be entered into that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to the Servicer under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer.

(c) The Trustee is authorized to join in the execution of any such supplemental indenture and to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations that may be in the agreements, but the Trustee shall not be obligated to enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties, liabilities or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise, except to the extent required by law. Unless notified by a Majority of any Class of Notes or a Majority of the Preference Shares that Holders of the Class of the Notes or Holders of the Preference Shares would be materially and adversely affected, the Trustee may rely on a certificate of the Servicer and an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) as to whether the interests of any Holder of Securities would be materially and adversely affected by any such supplemental indenture.

(d) If any Outstanding Notes are rated by a Rating Agency, the Trustee shall enter into a supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.1 only if either (1) the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the supplemental indenture or (2) the Servicer and the Holders of 100% in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes the ratings on which would be reduced or withdrawn consent to the supplemental indenture. Prior to the entry into any supplemental Indenture with respect to which a Rating Confirmation for one or more Classes of Notes is not expected to be delivered, the Trustee shall provide written notice to each Holder of each Outstanding Note informing them of such fact.

(e) At the cost of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee shall mail to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), each Rating Agency (for so long as any Notes are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency) and each Hedge Counterparty a copy of any such proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section at least 15 Business Days before its execution by the Trustee (or 60 calendar days before execution in the case of a supplemental indenture for the purpose described in paragraph (8) of Section 8.1(a), which shall be identified as such in a certificate of the Servicer delivered to the Trustee before the date on which such notice is required to be given).

## Section 8.2. *Supplemental Indentures With Consent of Holders.*

(a) If the Rating Condition is satisfied with respect to each Rating Agency, the Trustee and the Co-Issuers may execute one or more indentures supplemental to this Indenture to add any provisions to, or change in any manner, or eliminate any of the provisions of, this Indenture or modify in any manner the rights of the Noteholders under this Indenture with the consent of:

(1) the Servicer if the supplemental indenture would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer;

(2) a Majority of each Class of Notes adversely affected thereby, by Act of the Holders of each such Class of Notes; and

(3) a Majority of the Preference Shares adversely affected thereby.

Any proposed supplemental indenture that would also necessitate a change to the Memorandum and Articles of Association may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Memorandum and Articles of Association) has been passed to permit the Issuer's constitutional documents to be altered to conform them to the proposed change to this Indenture as certified to the Trustee by the Issuer.

Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note adversely affected thereby and the Holder of each Preference Share adversely affected thereby, no supplemental indenture shall:

(i) change the Stated Maturity of the principal of or the due date of any installment of interest on any Note or of any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares (other than in the case of any Maturity Extension in connection with an extension of the Replacement Period as described in Section 2.4), reduce the principal amount or the rate of interest on any Note, or the Default Interest Rate or the Redemption Price with respect to any Note or Preference Share, or change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Share may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer, change the provisions of this Indenture relating to the application of proceeds of any Collateral to the payment of principal of or interest on Notes, or to payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares, or change any place where, or the coin or currency in which, Notes or their principal or interest are paid or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after their Stated Maturity (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the applicable Redemption Date);

(ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class or Holders of Preference Shares whose consent is required for the authorization of any such supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of this Indenture or certain defaults under this Indenture or their consequences provided for in this Indenture;

(iii) permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on a parity with the lien of this Indenture with respect to any part of the Collateral or terminate the lien on any property at any time subject hereto or deprive the Holder of any Note of the security afforded by the lien of this Indenture;

(iv) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class whose consent is required to request the Trustee to retain the Collateral or rescind the Trustee's election to retain the Collateral, pursuant to Section 5.5 or to sell or liquidate the Collateral, pursuant to Section 5.4 or 5.5;

(v) modify any of the provisions of this Section, or to provide that certain other provisions of this Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Note and Preference Share affected thereby;

(vi) modify the definition of "Outstanding," "Controlling Class," or "Majority," or the Priority of Payments in Section 11.1(a) or Section 13.1; or

(vii) modify any of the provisions of this Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of Redemption Price or of interest or principal on any Note or any payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the payment of dividends or other payments on the Preference Shares on any Payment Date or to affect the

rights of the Holders of the Securities to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of the Notes or the Preference Shares contained in this Indenture.

(b) Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.2, the Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency (for so long as any Notes are Outstanding and rated by a Rating Agency) a copy of such proposed supplemental indenture and shall request any required consent from the applicable Holders of Securities to be given within the Initial Consent Period. Any consent given to a proposed supplemental indenture by the Holder of any Securities, as applicable, shall be irrevocable and binding on all future Holders or beneficial owners of that Security, irrespective of the execution date of the supplemental indenture. If the Holders of less than the required percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the relevant Securities consent to a proposed supplemental indenture within the Initial Consent Period, on the first Business Day after the Initial Consent Period, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Servicer which Holders of Securities have consented to the proposed supplemental indenture and, which Holders (and, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the Trustee, which beneficial owners) have not consented to the proposed supplemental indenture. If it intends to exercise its Amendment Buy-Out Option pursuant to Section 9.6, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall so notify the Trustee (which notice shall designate a date for the Amendment Buy-Out to occur no earlier than 10 Business Days after the date of such notice) no later than five Business Days after the Servicer is so notified by the Trustee and the Trustee shall promptly mail such notice to all Noteholders and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares). Any Non-Consenting Holder may give consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture until the 5<sup>th</sup> Business Day prior to the date of the Amendment Buy-Out designated by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and in such case shall cease to be a Non-Consenting Holder for purposes of the Amendment Buy-Out. If the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser exercises its Amendment Buy-Out Option and purchases the applicable Securities pursuant to Section 9.6 below, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, as Holder or beneficial owner of the applicable Securities, may consent to the related proposed supplemental indenture within five Business Days of the Amendment Buy-Out.

(c) It shall not be necessary for any Act of Noteholders under this Section 8.2 to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if the Act or consent approves its substance.

(d) The Trustee, at the expense of the Co-Issuers, shall mail to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency a copy of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Section 8.2 promptly after its execution by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee. Any failure of the Trustee to mail a copy of any supplemental indenture as provided in this Indenture, or any defect in the mailing, shall not in any way affect the validity of the supplemental indenture.

### Section 8.3. *Execution of Supplemental Indentures.*

In executing or accepting the additional trusts created by any supplemental indenture permitted by this Article 8 or the modifications thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture, the Trustee may receive, and (subject to Sections 6.1 and 6.3) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an Opinion of Counsel stating that the execution of the supplemental indenture is authorized or permitted by this Indenture and that all conditions precedent to the execution of such supplemental indenture have been satisfied. In the event that any supplemental indenture is consented to by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes and the Rating Condition is satisfied or is specifically waived by all consenting parties, all conditions precedent to the execution of such supplemental indenture shall be deemed satisfied, the execution

of such supplemental indenture shall be authorized or permitted by this Indenture, and the Trustee shall execute and accept the additional trusts created by such supplemental indenture pursuant to this Article 8 or modification thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture without obtaining an Opinion of Counsel; provided that the Trustee may, but shall not be obligated to, enter into any such supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise. The Servicer shall not be bound by any amendment or supplement to this Indenture that would reduce the rights, decrease the fees or other amounts payable to it under this Indenture or increase the duties or obligations of the Servicer unless the Servicer consents to it in writing, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed. The Servicer shall follow any amendment or supplement to this Indenture by which it is bound of which it has received written notice from the time it receives a copy of the amendment from the Issuer or the Trustee. The Trustee shall deliver any such amendment or supplement to the Repository in accordance with Section 6.18.

#### Section 8.4. *Effect of Supplemental Indentures; Certain Required Consents.*

Upon the execution of any supplemental indenture under this Article 8, this Indenture shall be modified in accordance therewith, and the supplemental indenture shall form a part of this Indenture for all purposes; and every Holder of Notes theretofore and thereafter authenticated and delivered under this Indenture shall be bound thereby.

Without the approval of each Hedge Counterparty to a then existing Hedge Agreement (so long as the Hedge Counterparty is not in default under any Hedge Agreement to which it is party), no supplemental indenture will be effective, and the Co-Issuers will not consent to any supplemental indenture, that would have a material adverse effect on the Hedge Counterparty. For purposes of this paragraph, any supplemental indenture will be deemed not to have a material adverse effect on the Hedge Counterparty if it does not object within 10 days of delivery of such supplemental indenture by the Trustee.

Any supplemental indenture that would necessitate a change to the Memorandum and Articles of Association may only be made after a Special Resolution (as defined in the Memorandum and Articles of Association) has been passed to permit the Memorandum and Articles of Association to be altered to conform with such proposed amendment.

#### Section 8.5. *Reference in Notes to Supplemental Indentures.*

Notes authenticated and delivered after the execution of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Article 8 may, and if required by the Trustee shall, bear a notice in form approved by the Trustee as to any matter provided for in the supplemental indenture. If the Applicable Issuers shall so determine, new Notes, so modified as to conform in the opinion of the Trustee and the Co-Issuers to any such supplemental indenture, may be prepared and executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated and delivered by the Trustee in exchange for Outstanding Notes.

## ARTICLE 9

### REDEMPTION OF NOTES

#### Section 9.1. *Mandatory Redemption.*

(a) If either (a) a Coverage Test is not met on any Determination Date or (b) a Rating Confirmation Failure occurs, principal payments on the Notes shall be made on the related Payment Date (without payment of any Redemption Price) in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

Upon receipt of notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes, at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes, then at the direction and in accordance with the instructions of the Servicer the Trustee shall sell Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for the purpose in the Collection Account will be used to redeem the Notes and the Preference Shares (but only to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm in writing the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Notes) and to pay all administrative and other fees, expenses and obligations payable under the Priority of Payments. Any sale under this Section shall be conducted in such a manner that:

(i) after giving effect to the sale each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied or, if any Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Overcollateralization Test is not reduced,

(ii) if the sale occurs on or after the second Payment Date, after giving effect to the sale each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied or, if any Interest Coverage Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Interest Coverage Test is not reduced, and

(iii) after giving effect to the sale each Collateral Quality Test is satisfied or, if any Collateral Quality Test is not satisfied, the extent of compliance with the Collateral Quality Test is not reduced.

(b) The Preference Shares will be redeemed in whole in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the Preference Share Documents on any Payment Date on which a mandatory redemption of the Notes pursuant to Section 9.1(a) results in the payment in full of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes.

#### Section 9.2. *Optional Redemption.*

(a) Upon the occurrence of a Tax Event, or at any time after the Non-Call Period, the Notes shall be redeemed by the Applicable Issuers, in whole but not in part, on any Payment Date from Principal Proceeds and all other funds available for that purpose in the Collection Account, the Payment Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account at the direction of the applicable Required Redemption Percentage, which direction must be given to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer and the Servicer not later than 45 days before the Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made, at the applicable Redemption Price (exclusive of installments of interest and principal maturing on or before that date, payment of which shall have been made or duly provided for, to the Noteholders on relevant Record Dates or as otherwise provided in this Indenture). All Notes must be simultaneously redeemed, and any termination payments pursuant to Hedge Agreements must be paid.

In the event that the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee and the Issuer receive notice directing an optional redemption from any one or more Holders of Preference Shares holding less than a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, within five Business Days of receipt of such notice, notify the Holders of the Preference Shares (i) of the receipt of such notice and (ii) that any Holder of Preference Shares may join in directing an optional redemption by notifying the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing within five Business Days after such Holder's receipt of the Preference Shares Paying Agent's Notice.



Upon receipt of a notice of redemption pursuant to the first paragraph of this Section 9.2(a), the Servicer in its sole discretion will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Servicing Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer, direct the sale of the Collateral Obligations so that the proceeds from the sale and all other funds available for such purpose in the Collection Account, the Interest Reserve Account, the Closing Date Expense Account, the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account will be at least sufficient to redeem all of the Notes and to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations. If, in the Servicer's reasonable discretion, the sale would not be sufficient to redeem the Notes, and to pay the fees, expenses and obligations, the Notes shall not be redeemed.

Upon any redemption pursuant to this Section 9.2(a), the Issuer shall, at least 30 days before the Redemption Date (unless the Trustee shall agree to a shorter notice period), notify the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and each Rating Agency of the Redemption Date, the applicable Record Date, the principal amount of Notes to be redeemed on the Redemption Date and the applicable Redemption Prices.

(b) On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, all administrative and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture and all amounts owing under this Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged,

(i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings or

(ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, voting as a single Class or group, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such direction.

Upon a distribution pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(i), the Servicer will (subject to the standard of care specified in the Servicing Agreement), on behalf of the Issuer (and subject to Section 9.2(b)(ii)), direct the sale of all remaining Collateral Obligations. Upon a distribution pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii), the Servicer will effect the sale of Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares.

### Section 9.3. ***Optional Redemption Procedures.***

(a) Upon any redemption pursuant to Section 9.2, the Trustee shall give notice of a redemption by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days and not earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date, each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of DTC, Euroclear, and Clearstream, as applicable, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and (in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a)) to each Rating Agency. In addition, for so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of redemption of



Senior Notes pursuant to Section 9.2 shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

- (b) All notices of redemption delivered pursuant to Section 9.3(a) shall state:
  - (i) the applicable Redemption Date;
  - (ii) the Redemption Price of the Notes to be redeemed (in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a));
  - (iii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), that all of the Notes, are to be redeemed in full and that interest on the Notes to be redeemed shall cease to accrue on the Payment Date specified in the notice; and
  - (iv) the places where the Notes to be redeemed in whole are to be surrendered for payment of the Redemption Price, which shall be the office or agency of the Co-Issuers to be maintained as provided in Section 7.2 and, so long as any Senior Notes to be redeemed are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, and the Irish Paying Agent.

Any such notice of redemption may be withdrawn by the Issuer up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Trustee and the Servicer only if:

- (A) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a), the Servicer does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications (described in Section 9.3(c) and 12.1(f)), as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee,
- (B) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i), the Issuer receives the written direction of the Majority of the Preference Shares (or, in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes resulting from a Tax Event, the Affected Class) to withdraw the notice of redemption delivered by a percentage of the Preference Shares (or, in the case of an Optional Redemption of the Notes resulting from a Tax Event, the Affected Class) requesting redemption under Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i), as applicable, or
- (C) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii), the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer hereby agrees for the benefit of the directing Holders to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (B) or this clause (C)).

Notice of any withdrawal shall be sent, not later than the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date (assuming that the Trustee has received timely written notice from the Issuer as provided above), by the Trustee, to each Noteholder scheduled to be redeemed at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery (or, to the extent the address contained in the Indenture Register is not sufficient for that purpose, by first class mail) and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares). If the Issuer so withdraws any notice of redemption or is otherwise unable to complete any redemption of the Notes, the Sale Proceeds received from the sale of any Collateral Obligations sold pursuant to Sections 9.2 and 12.1(f) may, during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement

Period) at the Servicer's discretion, be used to purchase replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria.

Notice of redemption shall be given by the Co-Issuers or, upon an Issuer Order, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Co-Issuers. Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Notes selected for redemption or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Securities.

(c) The Notes may not be redeemed pursuant to Section 9.2(a) unless either of the following conditions is satisfied:

(i) At least 10 Business Days before the Redemption Date, the Servicer shall have furnished to the Trustee evidence (in form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee) that the Issuer has entered into a binding agreement (with a financial or other institution or entity whose short-term unsecured debt obligations (other than obligations whose rating is based on the credit of a Person other than the institution) have a credit rating of at least "A-1" from S&P and of "P-1" (and not on credit watch for possible downgrade) from Moody's (or to any other institution or entity if the Rating Condition with respect to Moody's is satisfied with respect to the other entity)) to sell to the financial or other institutions, not later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date in immediately available funds, all or part of the Collateral (directly or by participation or other arrangement) at a Purchase Price at least equal to an amount sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments without regard to any payment limitations (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties, and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices; or

(ii) Before entering into any binding agreement to sell all or a portion of the Collateral and selling or terminating any Hedge Agreement, the Servicer shall have certified that, in its commercially reasonable judgment, the settlement dates of the sales will be scheduled to occur on or before the Business Day before the Redemption Date and that the expected proceeds from the sales are to be delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before the Redemption Date, in immediately available funds, in an amount (calculated as applicable in the manner provided below) sufficient (together with any Cash and other Eligible Investments not subject to the agreements and maturing on or before the Redemption Date and any payments to be received with respect to the Hedge Agreements on or before the Redemption Date) to pay all administrative and other fees and expenses payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under this Indenture, all amounts owing under the Hedge Agreements to the Hedge Counterparties, and to redeem the Notes on the Redemption Date at the applicable Redemption Prices. For purposes of this paragraph, the amount shall be calculated with respect to the classes of Collateral listed in the table below by multiplying the expected proceeds of sale of the Collateral by the indicated percentage in the table below. For the avoidance of doubt, no Hedge Agreement shall be sold or terminated unless the third Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date has passed and no notice of withdrawal has been issued.

		<u>Number of Business Days Between Certification to the Trustee and Sale</u>			
		<u>Same Day</u>	<u>1 to 2</u>	<u>3 to 5</u>	<u>6 to 15</u>
1	Cash or other Eligible Investments	100%	100%	100%	100%
2	Loans (other than 5 below)	100%	93%	92%	88%
3	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations (in each case, other than 4 below)	100%	89%	85%	75%
4	High-Yield Bonds (other than 5 below) and Structured Finance Obligations, in each case with a Moody's Rating of "B3" and on credit watch with negative implications or below "B3"	100%	75%	65%	55%
5	Synthetic Securities	100%	65%	55%	35%

Any certification delivered pursuant to this Section 9.3(c) shall include (A) the prices of, and expected proceeds from, the sale of any Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, or Hedge Agreements and (B) all calculations required by this Section 9.3(c).

**Section 9.4. *Notes Payable on Redemption Date.***

(a) Notice of redemption pursuant to Section 9.3 having been given as aforesaid, the Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become payable at the Redemption Price therein specified and from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Redemption Price and accrued interest) the Notes shall cease to bear interest on the Redemption Date. Upon final payment on a Note to be so redeemed, the Holder shall present and surrender the Note at the place specified in the notice of redemption on or before the Redemption Date unless the Co-Issuers and the Trustee receive the security or indemnity required by them to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender the Note, and in the absence of notice to the Co-Issuers and the Trustee, that the applicable Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender. Payments of interest on Notes so to be redeemed whose Stated Maturity is on or before the Redemption Date shall be payable to the Noteholders, or one or more predecessor Notes, registered as such at the close of business on the relevant Record Date if the Record Date is a Business Day (or, if the Record Date is not a Business Day, the close of business on the Business Day before the Record Date) according to Section 2.8(e).

(b) If any Note called for redemption is not paid on its surrender for redemption, its principal shall bear interest from the Redemption Date at the Applicable Note Interest Rate for each successive Interest Period the Note remains Outstanding if the reason for the non-payment is not the fault of the Holder of the Note.

**Section 9.5. *Special Redemption.***

Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in whole or in part, at par, in accordance with the Priority of Payments if, at any time during the Replacement Period, the Servicer elects (subject to the Servicing Agreement) to notify the Trustee and each Rating Agency that it has been unable, for 45 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional or replacement Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Servicer in its sole discretion and meet the Eligibility

Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the application of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account available to be used to purchase additional or replacement Collateral Obligations (a "**Special Redemption**").

On the first Payment Date following the Due Period for which the notice is effective (a "**Special Redemption Date**"), the funds in the Collection Account or the Payment Account representing Principal Proceeds that, by operation of the preceding paragraph, are not used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (the "**Special Redemption Amount**") will be available to be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments under Section 11.1(a)(ii). Notice of payments pursuant to this Section 9.5 shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than three Business Days before the applicable Special Redemption Date, to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed, at the Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of DTC. In addition, for so long as any Senior Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and so long as the rules of the exchange so require, notice of redemption of Senior Notes pursuant to Section 9.2 shall also be given to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

#### Section 9.6. ***Amendment Buy-Out.***

(a) In the case of any supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2 that requires the consent of one or more Holders of Securities, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase from Non-Consenting Holders all Securities held by such Holders whose consent was solicited with respect to such supplemental indenture (the "**Amendment Buy-Out Option**") for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; provided, however, that the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser may not exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option during the Non-Call Period in connection with a proposed amendment to reduce the rate of interest on any Note or to change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class or Preference Shares may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer. If such option is exercised, the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser must purchase all such Securities of Non-Consenting Holders for the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price, regardless of the applicable percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Securities the consent of whose Holders is required for such supplemental indenture (an "**Amendment Buy-Out**"). By its acceptance of its Securities hereunder, each Holder of Securities agrees that if the Amendment Buy-Out Option is exercised, any Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell its applicable Securities to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser; provided that if any Non-Consenting Holder holds Class II Preference Shares, such Non-Consenting Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares. Neither the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser nor any other Person shall have any liability to any Holder or beneficial owner of Securities as a result of an election by the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser not to exercise the Amendment Buy-Out Option.

(b) All purchases made pursuant to an Amendment Buy-Out Option individually and in the aggregate must comply with the applicable transfer restrictions for the relevant Securities set forth herein and in the Preference Share Documents, and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

#### Section 9.7. ***Redemption by Refinancing.***

(a) On any Payment Date after the Non-Call Period, any Class of the Notes may be redeemed in whole, but not in part from Refinancing Proceeds if the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, proposes to the Holders of the Preference Shares in writing (by notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares)) with a copy to the Trustee and the Rating Agencies, at least 30 days prior to the Payment Date for such redemption

(such date, the "**Refinancing Date**"), to redeem such Notes in accordance with this Section 9.7 (a "**Notice of Refinancing**"), which notice shall, among other things, specify the Refinancing Date and the Class of Notes to be Refinanced. Such redemption shall be effected by the Issuer obtaining a loan or an issuance of a replacement class of notes ("**Refinancing Notes**"), the terms of which loan or issuance will be negotiated by the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, from one or more financial institutions or purchasers (which may include the Servicer or its Affiliates) selected by the Servicer (a refinancing provided pursuant to such loan or issuance, a "**Refinancing**"), and provided that (i) such proposal is approved by a Majority of the Preference Shares (voting as a single class) at least 15 days prior to the Refinancing Date and (ii) the Servicer completes such Refinancing and causes the Refinancing Proceeds to be deposited with the Trustee (in immediately available funds) no later than the close of the Business Day immediately preceding the Refinancing Date.

(b) The Issuer shall obtain a Refinancing only if the Servicer determines and certifies to the Trustee that:

(i) a Rating Confirmation has been obtained from each Rating Agency for each class of Refinancing Notes and each Class of Notes not subject to Refinancing;

(ii) the proceeds from the Refinancing will be at least sufficient to pay the Refinancing Price plus any Administrative Expenses of the Issuer related to the Refinancing;

(iii) the interest rate payable in respect of the obligations providing the Refinancing is less than the interest rate payable on the Notes being refinanced;

(iv) the principal amount of any obligations providing the Refinancing is no greater than the principal amount of the Notes being redeemed with the proceeds of such obligations;

(v) the stated maturity of the obligations providing the Refinancing is no earlier than the stated maturity of the Notes being refinanced;

(vi) the Refinancing Proceeds will be used (to the extent necessary) to redeem the applicable Notes;

(vii) the agreements relating to the Refinancing contain limited recourse, non-recourse and non-petition provisions, investor qualification provisions and transfer restrictions equivalent to those applicable to the Notes being redeemed, as set forth herein;

(viii) the obligations providing the Refinancing are subject to the Priority of Payments and do not rank higher in priority pursuant to the Priority of Payments than the Class of Notes being redeemed; and

(ix) the expenses in connection with the Refinancing have been paid or will be adequately provided for.

(c) The Trustee shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to Sections 6.1 and 6.3 hereof) shall be fully protected in relying upon an Opinion of Counsel stating that the Refinancing is permitted by this Indenture and that all conditions precedent thereto have been complied with.

(d) Any Refinancing Proceeds will not constitute Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds but will be applied directly on the related Refinancing Date pursuant to this Indenture to redeem the Notes being refinanced and pay Administrative Expenses in connection with the Refinancing without regard to the Priority of Payments; provided that to the extent that any Refinancing Proceeds exceed the amount necessary to redeem the Notes being refinanced (and any

associated Administrative Expenses), such excess Refinancing Proceeds will be treated as Principal Proceeds.

(e) If notice of consent by a Majority of the Preference Shares to a Refinancing has been received by the Trustee from the Servicer pursuant to Section 9.7(a) no later than 15 days prior to the Refinancing Date, notice of a Refinancing shall be given by the Trustee by first class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not less than 10 Business Days prior to the proposed Refinancing Date, to each Holder of Notes of the Class to be refinanced at the address in the Indenture Register (with a copy to the Servicer) and, so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange, the Irish Paying Agent.

All Notices of Refinancing shall state:

(i) the proposed Refinancing Date, which shall be the applicable Redemption Date in respect of the Notes being redeemed;

(ii) the Refinancing Price, which shall be the applicable Redemption Price in respect of the Notes being redeemed;

(iii) that on such proposed Refinancing Date such Notes will be refinanced and redeemed in full, and that, provided that the Refinancing Proceeds have been deposited with the Trustee for any such payment in full, interest on such Notes being redeemed shall cease to accrue on such date; and

(iv) the place or places where such Notes are to be surrendered for payment of the Refinancing Price which, if not stated, shall be the office or agency of any paying agent as provided in Section 7.2.

provided that no such Notice of Refinancing shall be sent if either (a) the Servicer has withdrawn its consent to such Refinancing or (b) the consent of a Majority of the Holders of Preference Shares to such Refinancing has not been obtained.

(f) Notice of Refinancing shall be given by the Trustee at the expense of the Issuer. Failure to give a Notice of Refinancing, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Note selected for Refinancing shall not impair or affect the validity of the Refinancing or give rise to any claim based upon such failure or defect.

Any Notice of Refinancing may be withdrawn by the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, on or prior to the fourth Business Day prior to the scheduled Refinancing Date by written notice to the Trustee, the Paying Agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Rating Agencies and the Holders of the Preference Shares. Upon receipt of such notice of withdrawal, the Trustee shall send such notice to the Holders of Notes and, if applicable, the Irish Paying Agent.

(g) If a Notice of Refinancing pursuant to Section 9.7(a) has been given as provided herein and not withdrawn, the Notes to be refinanced shall on the Refinancing Date become due and payable at the Refinancing Price. Each Holder of such Notes shall present and surrender its Note at the place specified in the Notice of Refinancing on or prior to such Refinancing Date; provided that if there is delivered to the Issuer and the Trustee such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender such Note, then, in the absence of notice to the Issuer and the Trustee that the applicable Note has been acquired by a bona fide purchaser, such final payment shall be made without presentation or surrender.

(h) If any Class of Notes called for Refinancing shall not be so paid upon surrender thereof for Refinancing (or the delivery of the indemnity pursuant to the preceding paragraph) the principal shall, until paid, bear interest from the Refinancing Date at the applicable Interest Rate for each successive Payment Date with respect to which such Note remains Outstanding.

## ARTICLE 10

## ACCOUNTS, ACCOUNTINGS, AND RELEASES

Section 10.1. *Collection of Money.*

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, the Trustee may demand payment or delivery of, and shall receive and collect, directly and without intervention or assistance of any fiscal agent or other intermediary, all money and other property payable to or receivable by the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture, including all payments due on the Pledged Obligations, in accordance with the terms of the Pledged Obligations. The Trustee shall segregate and hold all money and property received by it in trust for the Secured Parties and shall apply it as provided in this Indenture. Any Account may contain any number of sub-accounts for the convenience of the Trustee or as required by the Servicer for convenience in administering the Accounts, the Collateral.

Section 10.2. *Collection Account.*

(a) Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Collection Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, and into which the Trustee shall from time to time deposit, in addition to the deposits required pursuant to Section 10.7(e), immediately upon the Trustee's receipt thereof:

(i) any funds transferred from (1) the Closing Date Expense Account pursuant to Section 10.3(g) or (2) the Interest Reserve Account pursuant to Section 10.3(i),

(ii) all Principal Proceeds (unless (1) simultaneously used to purchase Collateral Obligations in accordance with Article 12, (2) deposited into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or (3) posted by the Issuer as cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security or in Eligible Investments) received by the Trustee,

(iii) all Interest Proceeds received by the Trustee (unless simultaneously used to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations in accordance with Article 12 or in Eligible Investments), and

(iv) all other funds received by the Trustee from the Collateral and not excluded above.

In addition to the items described above, the Issuer may, but under no circumstances shall be required to, deposit from time to time any monies, securities and other instruments in the Collection Account it deems, in its sole discretion, to be advisable (and may designate any amounts deposited pursuant to this sentence as Principal Proceeds or Interest Proceeds in its discretion). Any Principal Proceeds received during the Replacement Period, and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments received after the Replacement Period, which have not been used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations on the Business Day of receipt shall be deposited in the Collection Account and shall at the direction of the Servicer be applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the other requirements set forth herein or the purchase of Eligible Investments pending such application or used to enter into additional Hedge Agreements or used in connection with a



Special Redemption. Principal Proceeds (other than Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations, Credit Risk Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments) received after the Replacement Period shall be deposited into the Collection Account and applied to the purchase of Eligible Investments. All monies deposited from time to time in the Collection Account pursuant to this Indenture shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and shall be applied to the purposes provided in this Indenture. Amounts in the Collection Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(a).

(b) Within one Business Day after receipt of any distribution or other proceeds of the Collateral that are not Cash, the Trustee shall so notify the Issuer and the Servicer. Within five Business Days of receipt of the notice from the Trustee, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall sell the distribution or other proceeds for Cash in an arm's length transaction to a Person that is not the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer and deposit its proceeds in the Collection Account. The Issuer need not sell the distributions or other proceeds if it delivers an Issuer Order or an Officer's certificate to the Trustee and the Servicer certifying that the distributions or other proceeds are Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, or Workout Assets.

(c) During the Replacement Period (or, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, after the Replacement Period), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall withdraw funds on deposit in the Collection Account representing Principal Proceeds (and, to the extent expressly provided in this Indenture, Interest Proceeds) and apply the funds to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), in each case in accordance with the requirements of Article 12 and the Issuer Order.

(d) At any time during or after the Replacement Period, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall, pay from amounts on deposit in the Collection Account on any Business Day during any Interest Period from Interest Proceeds only, any Administrative Expenses that require payment before the next Payment Date to the extent that the amount of the payments does not exceed the aggregate amount that may be paid on the next Payment Date under, and at the level of priority specified by, Section 11.1(a)(i)(1).

(e) The Trustee shall transfer to the Payment Account from the Collection Account for application pursuant to Section 11.1(a) or 11.2, as applicable, on or not later than the Business Day preceding each Payment Date, the amount set forth to be so transferred in the Valuation Report for the Payment Date.

### Section 10.3. ***Other Accounts.***

(a) ***Custodial Account.*** Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated trust account that shall be designated as the Custodial Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal, and into which the Trustee shall deposit the Collateral Obligations and other Collateral not deposited elsewhere in accordance with this Indenture (other than Loans, Participations and general intangibles, which in the case of Loans and Participations, shall be held by the Trustee as provided in Section 3.2). All assets or securities at any time on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Custodial Account shall be held in trust by the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties. The only permitted withdrawals from the Custodial



Account shall be in accordance with this Indenture. The Co-Issuers shall not have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Custodial Account other than in accordance with Section 3.2 and the Priority of Payments.

(b) *Revolving Reserve Account and Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish (i) a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account which shall be designated as the Revolving Reserve Account and (ii) a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, each of which shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. Upon the purchase of any Collateral Obligation that is a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, at the direction of the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit Principal Proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account, in the case of a Revolving Loan, and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, in the case of a Delayed Drawdown Loan, each equal to the unfunded Commitment Amount of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, respectively, and the Principal Proceeds so deposited shall be considered part of the Purchase Price of the Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan for purposes of Article 12. At the direction of the Servicer at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall withdraw funds from the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account to fund extensions of credit pursuant to Revolving Loans or Delayed Drawdown Loans, respectively. In addition, to the extent that the Issuer receives proceeds of a repayment in respect of a Revolving Loan (except to the extent of any concurrent Commitment Reduction) at any time during or after the Replacement Period, the Trustee shall deposit the proceeds into the Revolving Reserve Account. Upon the sale of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan in whole or in part or the reduction in part or termination of the Issuer's commitment thereunder, an amount on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, as the case may be, specified by the Servicer as being equal to:

- (i) the unfunded amount of the commitment (in the case of a sale in whole or a termination of the commitment),
- (ii) the proportionate amount of the amount on deposit (in the case of a sale in part), or
- (iii) the amount by which the commitment is reduced (in the case of a reduction thereof in part),

shall be transferred by the Trustee to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds. Amounts on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(b). All interest and other income from amounts in the Revolving Reserve Account and the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account deposited to the Collection Account pursuant to Section 10.4(b) shall be considered Interest Proceeds in the Due Period in which they are so deposited.

(c) *Expense Reimbursement Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Expense Reimbursement Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On any Payment Date and on any date between Payment Dates, the Trustee will apply amounts, if any, in the Expense Reimbursement Account to the payment of expenses and fees that must be paid between Payment Dates or that are due on that Payment Date under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) and the Trustee shall on any Payment Date transfer to the Expense Reimbursement Account an amount equal to the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts due under Section 11.1(a)(i)(1) to the Expense Reimbursement Account in accordance with Section

11.1(a)(i)(2). Funds in the Expense Reimbursement Account shall be applied in accordance with Section 10.4(a).

(d) *Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties (other than the Hedge Counterparty pledging the Collateral), over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. The Trustee shall deposit all collateral received from a Hedge Counterparty under any Hedge Agreement into the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account shall be:

(i) for application to obligations of the relevant Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer under a Hedge Agreement if the Hedge Agreement becomes subject to early termination, or

(ii) to return collateral to the relevant Hedge Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Hedge Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(a) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(e) *Synthetic Security Collateral Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal, and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Synthetic Security and delivers a copy of it to the Trustee, the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the Synthetic Security Collateral Account with respect to the Synthetic Security.

All Synthetic Security Collateral posted by any Synthetic Security Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Synthetic Security shall be immediately deposited into the Synthetic Security Collateral Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Synthetic Security. On each day on which amounts are payable to the Issuer out of Synthetic Security Collateral, the Issuer by Issuer Order shall direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, withdraw amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in an amount sufficient to make the payment as provided in the Issuer Order (including any total or partial release of Synthetic Security Collateral). The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be (i) for application to the obligations of the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty under a Synthetic Security Agreement or (ii) to return Synthetic Security Collateral to the relevant Synthetic Security Counterparty at the termination of the relevant Synthetic Security Agreement or as otherwise required by the Synthetic Security Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(b) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(f) *Securities Lending Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Securities

Lending Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control, the sole right of withdrawal, and a lien for the benefit of the Secured Parties. On or before the date on which the Issuer enters into a Securities Lending Agreement and delivers a copy of it to the Trustee, the Trustee shall create a sub-account of the Securities Lending Account with respect to the Securities Lending Agreement. All Securities Lending Collateral posted by any Securities Lending Counterparty in support of its respective obligation under a Securities Lending Agreement shall be immediately deposited into the Securities Lending Account and posted to the sub-account related to the Securities Lending Agreement. The only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Securities Lending Account shall be:

(i) for application to obligations of the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty to the Issuer under a Securities Lending Agreement if the Securities Lending Agreement becomes subject to early termination or in the exercise of remedies under the related Securities Lending Agreement upon any "event of default" under and as defined in the related Securities Lending Agreement, including liquidating the related Securities Lending Collateral, or

(ii) to return the Securities Lending Collateral to the relevant Securities Lending Counterparty when and as required by the relevant Securities Lending Agreement, in each case as directed by the Servicer.

Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(c). To the extent provided in a Securities Lending Agreement, earnings on amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall be payable by the Issuer to the related Securities Lending Counterparty.

Amounts on deposit in the Securities Lending Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the loaned security or asset that relates to the Securities Lending Account shall be so considered an asset of the Issuer.

(g) *Closing Date Expense Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Closing Date Expense Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On the Closing Date, the Trustee, at the direction of the Issuer, shall deposit into the Closing Date Expense Account approximately U.S.\$2,024,384 from the gross proceeds of the Offering. At any time before the Payment Date in February 2008, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall, pay from amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account any applicable fees and expenses of the Offering. On the Payment Date in February 2008 (or, at the discretion of the Servicer, on the Payment Date in November 2007), at the direction of the Servicer in its sole discretion, the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account to the Collection Account as Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds and close the Closing Date Expense Account.

Amounts on deposit in the Closing Date Expense Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(a) and shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests.

(h) *Payment Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Payment Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. The only permitted

withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Payment Account shall be to pay amounts due and payable on the Notes in accordance with their terms and the provisions of this Indenture and to pay Administrative Expenses and other amounts specified in this Indenture, each in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Co-Issuers shall not have any legal, equitable, or beneficial interest in the Payment Account other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

(i) *Interest Reserve Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Interest Reserve Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On the Closing Date, the Trustee, at the direction of the Issuer, shall deposit into the Interest Reserve Account approximately U.S.\$2,500,000 from the gross proceeds of the Offering. At any time before the Payment Date in February 2008, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of the Issuer Order the Trustee shall transfer any funds on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account to the Collection Account as Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds. On the Payment Date in February 2008 (or, at the discretion of the Servicer, on the Payment Date in November 2007), at the direction of the Servicer in its sole discretion, the Trustee shall transfer all funds on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account (after application of any monies therefrom on such date) to the Collection Account as Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds and close the Interest Reserve Account. Amounts on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account shall be held pursuant to Section 10.4(a).

(j) *Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account.* Before the Closing Date, the Trustee shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account, that shall be held in trust in the name of the Trustee for the benefit of Holders of the Class II Preference Shares, over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. On each Payment Date, to the extent of available funds in accordance with the Priority of Payments, the Trustee will deposit into the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account amounts equal to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments. The Servicer has agreed to waive amounts, which would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as Servicing Fees, on each Payment Date prior to February 3, 2008 and an amount equal to such waived amounts will be distributed by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments. With respect to any Payment Date after February 3, 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion (or all) of the Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event, an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Trustee to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, subject to the laws of the Cayman Islands, for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments; *provided* that with respect to the Payment Date in May 2008 such Class II Preference Share Special Payments will, at a minimum, include amounts that would otherwise constitute a portion (representing the Class II Preference Share Percentage) of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Payment Date in February 2008 through February 3, 2008. For purposes of any calculation under the Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer will be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

(k) In addition to any deposit, withdrawal, transfer or other application of funds with respect to any Account set forth in this Section 10.3 or in Section 10.2, any deposit, withdrawal, transfer or other application of funds with respect to any Account authorized elsewhere in this Indenture is hereby authorized pursuant to this Section 10.3.

(l) In order to comply with its obligations under the USA Patriot Act of 2001, if any, the Trustee shall be entitled to request and verify, and the Noteholders, beneficial owners, the Co-Issuers and other parties related to this Indenture shall be obligated to provide to the Trustee all the necessary information required by the USA Patriot Act of 2001.

**Section 10.4. *Application of Funds in Accounts; Reports by Trustee.***

(a) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall at all times before an Event of Default occurs, direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, apply all funds on deposit in the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Date Expense Account and the Interest Reserve Account as so directed in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. All applications on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any Eligible Investments. Before an Event of Default occurs, if the Issuer has not given directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Servicer within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Date Expense Account or the Interest Reserve Account. If the Trustee does not receive written instructions from the Servicer within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall apply the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (c) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing no later than the Business Day before the next Payment Date. After an Event of Default occurs, if the Issuer does not give directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall apply the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (c) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing not later than the earlier of (i) 30 days after the date of the application or (ii) the Business Day before the next Payment Date. All interest and other income from such Eligible Investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from such Eligible Investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from such Eligible Investments shall be charged to the Collection Account. Subject to Section 6.7, the Trustee shall not in any way be held liable for the selection of Eligible Investments or because of any insufficiency of the Collection Account, the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the Expense Reimbursement Account, the Closing Date Expense Account or the Interest Reserve Account or any other account that results from any loss relating to any such Eligible Investment.

(b) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall at all times direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, apply all funds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, and the Synthetic Security Collateral Account in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities not later than one Business Day after the date of their purchase. All applications on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any Eligible Investments. If before an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Servicer within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, or the Synthetic Security Collateral Account. If the Trustee does not thereupon receive written instructions from the Servicer within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall apply the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that are overnight funds. If after an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall apply the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that are overnight funds. All interest and other income from such Eligible Investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from such Eligible Investments shall be

credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from such Eligible Investments shall be charged to the Collection Account.

(c) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall at all times direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, apply all funds on deposit in the Securities Lending Account in Eligible Investments having Stated Maturities no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. All applications on any Business Day shall be subject to the timely receipt of the funds and the availability of any Eligible Investments. The interest on the Eligible Investments shall be allocated between the Issuer and the Securities Lending Counterparty pursuant to the related Securities Lending Agreement. If before an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Servicer within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to the Securities Lending Account. If the Trustee does not thereupon receive written instructions from the Servicer within five Business Days after transfer of the funds to the account, it shall apply the funds held in the account, as fully as practicable, but only in one or more Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" that mature no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. If after an Event of Default, the Issuer does not give directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall apply the monies as fully as practicable in Eligible Investments of the type described in clause (e) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing no later than the Business Day before the stated termination date of the related Securities Lending Agreement. All interest and other income from such Eligible Investments shall be deposited in the Collection Account, any gain realized from such Eligible Investments shall be credited to the Collection Account, and any loss resulting from such Eligible Investments shall be charged to the Collection Account.

(d) The Trustee agrees to give the Issuer notice as soon as reasonably practicable if a Trust Officer obtains actual knowledge that any Account or any funds on deposit in any Account, or otherwise to the credit of an Account, shall become subject to any writ, order, judgment, warrant of attachment, execution or similar process. All Accounts shall remain at all times with the Custodian or a financial institution having a long-term debt rating of at least "Baa1" (and not on credit watch with negative implications) by Moody's and at least "BBB+" by S&P and having combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000 that has entered into one or more securities account control agreements in accordance with Article 8 of the UCC; provided, however, that (i) with respect to the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, the Synthetic Security Counterparty shall be a party to such control agreement and shall consent to the Trustee's control of such Synthetic Security Collateral Account, (ii) with respect to the Securities Lending Account, the Securities Lender shall be a party to such control agreement and shall consent to the Trustee's control of such Securities Lending Account and (iii) with respect to each Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, the related Hedge Counterparty shall be a party to such control agreement and shall consent to the Trustee's control of such Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.

(e) The Trustee shall supply, in a timely fashion, to the Co-Issuers and the Servicer any information regularly maintained by the Trustee that the Co-Issuers or the Servicer may from time to time request with respect to the Pledged Obligations, the Accounts and the Collateral and provide any other requested information reasonably available to the Trustee because of its acting as Trustee under this Indenture and required to be provided by Section 10.6, to permit the Servicer to perform its obligations under the Servicing Agreement. The Trustee shall promptly forward to the Servicer copies of notices and other writings received by it from the issuer of any Collateral Obligation or from any Clearing Agency with respect to any Collateral Obligation which notices or writings advise the holders of the security of any rights that the holders might have with respect to the Collateral Obligation (including requests to vote with respect to amendments or waivers and notices of



prepayments and redemptions) as well as all periodic financial reports received from the issuer and Clearing Agencies with respect to the issuer.

(f) To the extent monies deposited in any Account exceed amounts insured by the Bank Insurance Fund or Savings Association Insurance Fund administered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any agencies succeeding to its insurance functions, and are not fully collateralized by direct obligations of the United States of America, the excess shall be held in Eligible Investments as described above.

**Section 10.5. *Synthetic Security Counterparty Account.***

(a) To the extent that any Synthetic Security requires the Issuer to secure its obligations to the Synthetic Security Counterparty or to the extent that any Synthetic Security has an unfunded amount payable by the Issuer that does not by its terms require collateral, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee and the Trustee shall establish a segregated non-interest bearing trust account for the Synthetic Security which shall be held in trust for the benefit of the related Synthetic Security Counterparty and over which the Trustee shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and this Indenture (a "***Synthetic Security Counterparty Account***"). In the alternative, a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account may be established with a trustee designated by the Synthetic Security Counterparty if that trustee would qualify to be a successor trustee under Section 6.9 and the account satisfies the other requirements of this Section.

As directed in writing by the Servicer, the Trustee shall deposit (or deliver for deposit) into each Synthetic Security Counterparty Account all amounts or securities that are required to secure the obligations of the Issuer in accordance with the related Synthetic Security and, without duplication, an amount equal to the unfunded amount of a Synthetic Security, including the entire notional amount of any Synthetic Security in the form of a credit default swap or other similar transaction. The Servicer shall direct any such deposit only during the Replacement Period and only to the extent that monies are available for the purchase of Collateral Obligations pursuant to this Indenture. Any income received on amounts in the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall, after application in accordance with the relevant Synthetic Security, be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Interest Proceeds.

(b) As directed by the Servicer in writing and in accordance with the applicable Synthetic Security and this Indenture, amounts on deposit in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be held in Synthetic Security Collateral.

(c) In connection with the occurrence of a credit event or an event of default or a termination event (each as defined in the applicable Synthetic Security) under the related Synthetic Security, amounts in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be withdrawn by the Trustee (or the Trustee shall request their withdrawal) and applied toward the payment of any amounts payable by the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the Synthetic Security, as directed by the Servicer in writing. Any excess amounts held in a Synthetic Security Counterparty Account, or held directly by a Synthetic Security Counterparty, after payment of all amounts owing from the Issuer to the related Synthetic Security Counterparty in accordance with the related Synthetic Security shall be withdrawn from the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account and deposited in the Collection Account for distribution as Principal Proceeds.

(d) Amounts on deposit in any Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall not be considered an asset of the Issuer for the purposes of the Coverage Tests, but the Synthetic Security that relates to the Synthetic Security Counterparty Account shall be so considered an asset of the

Issuer (with the notional amount as the Principal Balance unless a default exists under the applicable Synthetic Security).

Section 10.6. *Accountings.*

(a) *Monthly.* Commencing the earlier of (a) the first full month after the Ramp-Up Completion Date and (b) the month ending September 2007, (i) in the case of a month in which there is no Payment Date, not later than the eighth Business Day after the last calendar day of such month and (ii) in the case of a month in which there is a Payment Date, on such Payment Date, the Issuer shall cause to be compiled and provided to the Servicer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares), the Initial Purchasers, each Hedge Counterparty, the Rating Agencies, (if so requested by the Initial Purchasers) the Repository in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(ix) or each Holder of a Note who makes a written request therefor, and, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit H certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, the Beneficial Owner (or its designee), a monthly report (the "*Monthly Report*"). Each Monthly Report shall be accompanied by a Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice. The Monthly Report shall contain the following information, determined as of (1) in the case of a month in which there is no Payment Date, the last day of the applicable month and (2) in the case of a month in which there is a Payment Date, the Determination Date for such Payment Date, based in part on information provided by the Servicer (the "*Monthly Determination Date*"):

(i) *Collateral:*

(A) The Aggregate Principal Balance (and, in the case of a Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan, its funded and unfunded amount), interest rate, Stated Maturity and obligor of each Collateral Obligation;

(B) The stated principal balance of Defaulted Collateral Obligations;

(C) The identity of all Collateral Obligations and all obligations that at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange do not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation that were released for sale or other disposition (and, for each obligation sold, indicating whether sold as a Credit Risk Obligation, a Credit Improved Obligation, a Current-Pay Obligation, a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, a Workout Asset or an obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation or whether sold in connection with any withholding tax pursuant to Section 12.1(e) or sold as a discretionary sale pursuant to Section 12.1(h)); and the identity of all Collateral Obligations that were acquired, in each case since the date of the previous Monthly Report;

(D) The obligor of each Workout Asset;

(E) The Purchase Price of each Collateral Obligation acquired, the sale price of each Collateral Obligation sold (or the adjusted purchase or sale price with respect to any exchange of securities requiring an allocation by the Servicer) since the date of the previous Monthly Report on each sale;

(F) The identity of each Collateral Obligation (1) that is a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, a Workout Asset or a PIK Security, and in the case of a PIK Security (i) the principal amount of previously deferred or capitalized interest and (ii) the change in the principal amount of previously deferred or capitalized interest since the most recent Monthly Report or (2) in respect of which an obligation that



at the time of acquisition, conversion or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation has been received, in each case indicating the date of such default, as applicable, and reporting any Other Indebtedness, as defined in clause (ii) in the definition of "Defaulted Collateral Obligation," that the Servicer has determined not to be material;

(G) The S&P Industry Classification and the Moody's Industry Classification for each Collateral Obligation and the five highest concentrations of Collateral Obligations in the Moody's Industry Classification groups and the five highest concentrations of Collateral Obligations in the S&P Industry Classification groups;

(H) For each Collateral Obligation, the country of the obligor (and the related foreign currency debt rating) and, in the case of a country other than the United States of America, whether the obligor is Domiciled in a Moody's Group I Country, Moody's Group II Country, or Moody's Group III Country and the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations issued by issuers in the applicable country;

(I) For each Collateral Obligation, the Moody's Priority Category Recovery Rate and S&P Recovery Rate;

(J) For each Collateral Obligation, the S&P Rating, and if any S&P Rating for any Collateral Obligation in any Monthly Report is a credit estimate, "non-public" rating or "shadow" rating; the rating shall not be disclosed, but shall be replaced with an asterisk in the place of the applicable credit estimate, "non-public" rating or "shadow" rating;

(K) For each Collateral Obligation, the Moody's Rating and the Moody's Rating Factor, determined, for this purpose, and set forth both with and without regard to whether the Collateral Obligation has been put on watch for possible upgrade or downgrade, and if any Moody's Rating for any Collateral Obligation in any Monthly Report is an "estimated" or "shadow" rating, the rating shall not be disclosed, but shall be replaced with an asterisk in the place of the applicable "estimated" or "shadow" rating;

(L) The Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that have a Moody's Rating of "Caa1" or lower;

(M) The Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations that have an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower;

(N) For each Collateral Obligation that is a Participation or a Synthetic Security or is loaned pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement, the related Secondary Risk Counterparty and each Rating Agency's long-term unsecured debt rating of the Secondary Risk Counterparty;

(O) Certain S&P benchmarks relating to the portfolio as provided by S&P in the S&P CDO Monitor regardless whether or not the S&P CDO Monitor passes or fails, including (1) S&P Default Measure (Annualized Portfolio Default Rate), (2) S&P Variability Measure (Annualized Standard Deviation of Portfolio Default Rate), (3) S&P Correlation Measure (Ratio of Standard Deviation of

Portfolio with Correlation to Standard Deviation of Portfolio without Correlation) and (4) Weighted Average Default Correlation;

(P) The identity and Market Value of each Collateral Obligation whose Market Value (in the determination of the Overcollateralization Ratio Numerator) was determined pursuant to last proviso in the definition of "Market Value;"

(Q) The identity of each Collateral Obligation participated from or entered into with a Secondary Risk Counterparty; and

(R) The identity of each Collateral Obligation owned by the Issuer that has not been disposed of within the time limits required by this Indenture.

(ii) *Accounts:*

(A) The amount of any proceeds in the Collection Account, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds (excluding unapplied proceeds), and unapplied proceeds;

(B) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Revolving Reserve Account;

(C) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account;

(D) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account;

(E) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Securities Lending Account; and

(F) The amount of any proceeds in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account;

(iii) *Hedge Agreements:*

(A) The outstanding notional amount of each Hedge Agreement; and

(B) The amount scheduled to be received and paid by the Issuer pursuant to each Hedge Agreement on the next Payment Date (as specified by the calculation agent under each Hedge Agreement);

(iv) *Coverage Tests, Collateral Quality Tests and Retention Overcollateralization Test:*

(A) The Overcollateralization Ratios and the Overcollateralization Ratios as of the Ramp-Up Completion Date; a statement as to whether each of the Overcollateralization Tests is satisfied and a statement as to whether the Retention Overcollateralization Test is satisfied;

(B) The Interest Coverage Ratios and, on and after the second Payment Date, a statement as to whether each of the Interest Coverage Tests is satisfied;

(C) The Diversity Score and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Diversity Test is satisfied;

(D) The Weighted Average Life of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied;

(E) The Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate, the S&P Recovery Rate and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test with respect to the Moody's Minimum Average Recovery Rate and Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test with respect to the S&P Recovery Rate is satisfied;

(F) The Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied and a statement as to the amount of Spread Excess was used to satisfy the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test;

(G) The Weighted Average Spread of the Collateral Obligations and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied and a statement as to the amount of Fixed Rate Excess was used to satisfy the Weighted Average Spread Test;

(H) The Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied; and

(I) The S&P CDO Monitor Test and, on and after the Ramp-Up Completion Date, a statement as to whether the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied and the Class Scenario Loss Rate and the then applicable Note Break-Even Loss Rate with respect to each Class of Notes that is rated by S&P and the adjusted Weighted Average Spread level determined as set forth in the definition of "Note Break-Even Loss Rate;"

(v) *Concentration Limitations and Withholding Taxes:*

(A) The percentage of the Maximum Amount itemized against each element of the Concentration Limitations and a statement as to whether each Concentration Limitation is satisfied; and

(B) Any withholding tax on payments under any Collateral Obligation;

(vi) *Securities Lending Agreements:*

(A) Each Collateral Obligation loaned or borrowed pursuant to a Securities Lending Agreement and the percentage of the Maximum Amount that

represents Collateral Obligations that are loaned or borrowed pursuant to Securities Lending Agreements; and

(B) With respect to each Securities Lending Agreement in effect as of the Monthly Determination Date, a list setting forth:

(1) for each Collateral Obligation loaned or borrowed under it as of the first day of the loan, (x) its Principal Balance, (y) its Market Value and (z) its Principal Balance expressed as a percentage of the Maximum Amount,

(2) the term of the loan of the Collateral Obligation,

(3) the expiration date of the Securities Lending Agreement,

(4) the Moody's Rating and S&P Rating for each loaned or borrowed Collateral Obligation,

(5) the principal amount of the related Securities Lending Collateral held in the Securities Lending Account, and

(6) the Eligible Investments held as Securities Lending Collateral pursuant to the related Securities Lending Agreement; and

(vii) Any other information the Trustee reasonably requests.

Upon receipt of each Monthly Report, the Trustee shall compare the information contained in the Monthly Report to the information contained in its records with respect to the Collateral and shall, within three Business Days after receipt of such Monthly Report, notify the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer if the information contained in the Monthly Report does not conform to the information maintained by the Trustee with respect to the Collateral, and shall detail any discrepancies. In the event that any discrepancy exists, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Servicer shall attempt to resolve the discrepancy. If such discrepancy cannot be promptly resolved, the Trustee shall within five Business Days after notification of such discrepancy cause the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8 to review such Monthly Report and the Trustee's records to determine the cause of such discrepancy. If such review reveals an error in the Monthly Report or the Trustee's records, the Monthly Report or the Trustee's records shall be revised accordingly and, as so revised, shall be used in making all calculations pursuant to this Indenture and notice of any error in the Monthly Report shall be sent as soon as practicable by the Issuer to all recipients of the report. If the review by the Independent accountants does not resolve the discrepancy, the Trustee, upon receipt of an Officer's certificate of the Servicer certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the information contained in the related Monthly Report is correct, shall conform the information it maintains to the Monthly Report received.

(b) *Payment Date Accounting.* The Issuer shall cause to be rendered an accounting report (the "**Valuation Report**"), determined as of the close of business on each Determination Date, and provided to the Servicer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of Preference Shares), the Issuer, the Initial Purchasers, each Hedge Counterparty, the Rating Agencies and each Noteholder (if so requested by the Initial Purchasers) the Repository in accordance with Section 14.3(a)(ix), the Depository (with instructions to forward it to each of its Agent Members who are Noteholders), and upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit H certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner and the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) not later than the second Business Day preceding the related Payment Date. Each

Valuation Report shall be accompanied by a Section 3(c)(7) Reminder Notice. The Valuation Report shall contain the following information as of the related Payment Date (unless otherwise stated), based in part on information provided by the Servicer:

(i) *Notes:*

(A) The amount of principal payments to be made on each Class of Notes on the related Payment Date;

(B) The Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes after giving effect to any principal payments on the related Payment Date and, for each Class of Notes, the percentage of its initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount that amount represents;

(C) For each Class of Notes, the percentage of the initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all of the Notes that its initial Aggregate Outstanding Amount represented and, after giving effect to any principal payments on the related Payment Date, the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all of the Notes that its Aggregate Outstanding Amount represents;

(D) The interest payable in respect of each Class of Notes on the related Payment Date (in the aggregate and by Class) and its calculation in reasonable detail; and

(E) The amounts to be paid, if any, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payments on the Preference Shares on the related Payment Date, showing separately the payments from Interest Proceeds and the payments from Principal Proceeds;

(ii) *Payment Date Payments:*

(A) The amounts to be distributed under each clause of Sections 11.1(a)(i), 11.1(a)(ii) and 11.2 itemized by clause, and to the extent applicable, by type of distribution under the clause; and

(B) Any amounts payable under the Hedge Agreements by any Hedge Counterparty on or before the related Payment Date and its calculation in reasonable detail (as specified by the calculation agent under the Hedge Agreement);

(iii) *Accounts:*

(A) The amount of any proceeds in the Collection Account, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds, Principal Proceeds (excluding unapplied proceeds) and unapplied proceeds;

(B) The amount in the Collection Account after all payments and deposits to be made on the related Payment Date, distinguishing between amounts credited as Interest Proceeds and as Principal Proceeds;

(C) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Revolving Reserve Account;

(D) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account;

(E) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Synthetic Security Collateral Account;

(F) The amount of any Principal Proceeds in the Securities Lending Account;

(G) The amount in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account; and

(H) The amount in the Expense Reimbursement Account;

(iv) A notice setting forth LIBOR, as calculated by the Calculation Agent, for the next Interest Period and each Note Interest Rate for the next Payment Date; and

(v) Any other information the Trustee reasonably requests.

Upon receipt of each Valuation Report, the Trustee shall compare the information contained in the Valuation Report to the information contained in its records with respect to the Collateral and shall, within three Business Days after receipt of such Valuation Report, notify the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer if the information contained in the Valuation Report does not conform to the information maintained by the Trustee with respect to the Collateral, and shall detail any discrepancies. In the event that any discrepancy exists, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Servicer shall attempt to resolve the discrepancy. If such discrepancy cannot be promptly resolved, the Trustee shall within five Business Days after notification of such discrepancy cause the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8 to review such Valuation Report and the Trustee's records to determine the cause of such discrepancy. If such review reveals an error in the Valuation Report or the Trustee's records, the Valuation Report or the Trustee's records shall be revised accordingly and, as so revised, shall be used in making all calculations pursuant to this Indenture and notice of any error in the Valuation Report shall be sent as soon as practicable by the Issuer to all recipients of such report. If the review by the Independent accountants does not resolve the discrepancy, the Trustee, upon receipt of an Officer's certificate of the Servicer certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the information contained in the related Valuation Report is correct, shall conform the information it maintains to the Valuation Report received.

(c) *Failure to Provide Accounting.* If the Trustee shall not have received any accounting provided for in Section 10.6(b) on the first Business Day after the date on which the accounting is due to the Trustee, the Trustee shall notify the Issuer and the Servicer, and the Servicer shall use all reasonable efforts to cause the accounting to be made by the applicable Payment Date. To the extent the Trustee is required to provide any information or reports pursuant to this Section 10.6 as a result of the failure of the Issuer (or anyone acting on the Issuer's behalf) to provide the information or reports, the Trustee may retain an Independent certified public accountant in connection therewith and the reasonable costs incurred by the Trustee for the Independent certified public accountant shall be reimbursed pursuant to Section 6.8.

(d) *Irish Stock Exchange.* So long as any Class of Senior Notes is listed on the Irish Stock Exchange: (i) the Trustee shall communicate to the Irish Stock Exchange the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each listed Class of Senior Notes following each Payment Date and inform the Irish Stock Exchange if any such Class of Senior Notes did not receive scheduled payments of principal or interest on the Payment Date; (ii) the Trustee shall inform the Irish Stock Exchange if the ratings assigned to the Senior Notes are reduced or withdrawn and the information shall be given

to the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange; and (iii) the Trustee shall inform the Irish Stock Exchange, in advance, of the Note Interest Rate for each such Class, as well as the exact date of the following Payment Date.

(e) *Quarterly Letter.* The Servicer shall provide a quarterly letter to the recipients of the Valuation Report highlighting events occurring during the related quarterly period within 30 days of the date of the delivery of the Valuation Report.

(f) *S&P CDO Monitor.* On or after the Ramp-Up Completion Date and together with each Monthly Report, the Issuer shall provide to S&P the Excel Default Model Input File and, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, the name of the obligor thereon and the CUSIP number thereof (if applicable).

(g) *Payments or Transfers from the Payment Account.* Each Valuation Report shall constitute instructions to the Trustee to withdraw on the related Payment Date from the Payment Account and pay or transfer amounts set forth in such Valuation Report in the manner specified and in accordance with the priority established in Section 11.1 hereof.

#### Section 10.7. *Release of Collateral.*

(a) The Trustee shall present Collateral for redemption or payment in full in accordance with the terms of the Collateral upon receipt of an Issuer Order. If no Event of Default is continuing, the Issuer may, by Issuer Order executed by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, delivered to the Trustee at least two Business Days before the settlement date for any sale of an obligation certifying that the sale of the Collateral is being made in accordance with Sections 12.1 and 12.3 and the sale complies with all applicable requirements of Section 12.1, direct the Trustee to release the Collateral and, upon receipt of the Issuer Order, the Trustee shall deliver any such Collateral, if in physical form, duly endorsed to the broker or purchaser designated in the Issuer Order or otherwise cause an appropriate transfer of it to be made, in each case against receipt of the sales price therefor as specified by the Servicer in the Issuer Order. The Trustee may deliver any such Collateral in physical form for examination pursuant to a bailee letter.

(b) The Trustee shall, upon an Issuer Order executed by an Authorized Officer of the Servicer, deliver any Pledged Obligation that is set for any mandatory call or redemption or payment in full to the appropriate paying agent on or before the date set for the call, redemption or payment, in each case against receipt of its call or redemption price or payment in full and provide notice of it to the Servicer.

(c) Upon receiving actual notice of any Offer, the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer shall notify the Servicer of any Collateral Obligation that is subject to a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion or other similar action (an "*Offer*"). If no Event of Default is continuing, the Servicer may direct the Trustee (and if an Event of Default is continuing, the Servicer may advise, and the Trustee may, in consultation with the Servicer, decide) to accept or participate in or decline or refuse to participate in the Offer and, in the case of acceptance or participation, to dispose of the Collateral Obligation in accordance with the Offer against receipt of payment for it. If the consideration to be received by the Issuer for the Collateral Obligation is other than Cash, the consideration must be a Collateral Obligation that would be eligible for purchase by the Issuer pursuant to Section 12.2 assuming for this purpose that the Issuer committed to purchase the same on the date on which the Issuer accepts the Offer.

(d) Upon disposition by the Trustee of Collateral to any Person against receipt of payment therefore as provided in any of the foregoing clauses (a), (b) or (c), the Collateral shall be

free of the lien of this Indenture. The lien shall continue in the proceeds received from the disposition.

(e) As provided in Section 10.2(b), the Trustee shall deposit any proceeds received by it from the disposition of a Pledged Obligation in the Collection Account, unless simultaneously applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or Eligible Investments as permitted under and in accordance with the requirements of this Article 10 and Article 12.

(f) The Trustee shall, upon receipt of an Issuer Order when no Notes are Outstanding and all obligations of the Co-Issuers under this Indenture have been satisfied, as evidenced by an Officer's certificate or an Opinion of Counsel, release any remaining Collateral from the lien of this Indenture.

(g) The Trustee shall release from the lien of this Indenture any Collateral that is provided directly to a Synthetic Security Counterparty or deposited in a segregated account in accordance with Section 10.5. Any Collateral or proceeds received by or redeposited by the Issuer into the Collection Account in accordance with Section 10.5 shall again be subject to the lien of this Indenture.

Any collateral deposited in a segregated account in accordance with Section 10.3(d), (e), and (f) shall be subject to the lien of this Indenture for the benefit of the Secured Parties. Any collateral withdrawn by the Issuer in accordance with Section 10.3(d), (e), and (f) shall be released from the lien of this Indenture by the Trustee to the extent returned to the appropriate counterparty pursuant to Sections 10.3(d), (e) and (f).

#### Section 10.8. *Reports by Independent Accountants.*

(a) At the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall appoint a firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation for purposes of preparing and delivering the reports or certificates of the accountants required by this Indenture. Within 30 days of any resignation by the firm, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall promptly appoint by Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee and each Rating Agency a successor firm that is a firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation. If the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, fails to appoint a successor to a firm of Independent certified public accountants which has resigned within 30 days after the resignation, the Trustee, in consultation with the Servicer, shall promptly appoint a successor firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation. The fees of such Independent certified public accountants and their successors shall be payable by the Issuer as an Administrative Expense.

(b) On or before May 15 of each year commencing in 2008, the Issuer shall cause to be delivered to the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer or each Noteholder or Holder of Preference Shares upon written request therefor, upon written request therefor by a Beneficial Owner in the form of Exhibit H certifying that it is a Beneficial Owner, to the Beneficial Owner (or its designee) and each Rating Agency a statement from a firm of Independent certified public accountants indicating (i) that the firm has reviewed each Valuation Report received since the last review and applicable information from the Trustee, (ii) that the calculations within those Valuation Reports have been performed in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture (except as otherwise noted in the statement) and (iii) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations owned by the Issuer as of the preceding Determination Date. If a conflict exists between the firm of Independent



certified public accountants and the Issuer with respect to any matter in this Section 10.7, the determination by that firm of Independent public accountants shall be conclusive. The statement shall be in the form of an Accountant's Certificate issued to the Issuer, the form of which shall be agreed on by the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer.

(c) Upon the written request of the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any Holder of Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the firm of Independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to Section 10.7(a) to provide any Holder of Preference Shares with all information requested pursuant to Section 7.17(g) or provide the Issuer with any assistance required in its preparation.

#### Section 10.9. *Reports to Rating Agencies.*

In addition to the information and reports specifically required to be provided to each Rating Agency pursuant to this Indenture, the Issuer shall provide each Rating Agency with the Accountants' Certificates delivered to the Trustee under this Indenture, and such additional information as either Rating Agency may from time to time reasonably request. In addition, any notices of restructurings and amendments received by the Issuer or the Trustee in connection with the Issuer's ownership of a DIP Loan shall be delivered by the Servicer (on behalf of the Issuer) or the Trustee, as the case may be, promptly to the Rating Agencies.

### ARTICLE 11

#### APPLICATION OF MONIES

##### Section 11.1. *Disbursements of Monies from Payment Account.*

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision in this Indenture, but subject to the other subsections of this Section 11.1 and to Section 13.1, on each Payment Date, the Trustee shall disburse available amounts from the Payment Account as follows and for application by the Trustee in accordance with the following priorities (the "**Priority of Payments**"):

(i) On each Payment Date, Interest Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period (other than Interest Proceeds previously used during such Due Period to purchase accrued interest in respect of Collateral Obligations or otherwise used as permitted by Section 10.2) shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

(1) to the payment of any taxes and registration and filing fees owed by the Co-Issuers (without limit) and then to the payment of Administrative Expenses up to the Administrative Expense Cap as follows:

FIRST, in the following order of priority,

- (i) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Trustee; and then
- (ii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Collateral Administrator;  
and then
- (iii) fees, expenses and indemnities of the Preference Shares Paying Agent; and

SECOND, in the following order of priority,

- (x) fees and expenses of the Administrator; and then
- (y) fees and expenses of the Co-Issuers (including fees and expenses of counsel and ongoing surveillance, credit estimate, and other fees owing to the Rating Agencies) and any other Person (except the Servicer) if specifically provided for in this Indenture, and to the expenses (but not fees) of the Servicer if payable under the Servicing Agreement;
- (2) the excess, if any, of the Administrative Expense Cap over the amounts paid pursuant to clause (1) above to deposit into the Expense Reimbursement Account;
- (3) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with Section 10.3(j) an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee then due and payable and SECOND, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Senior Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause;
- (4) to the payment of all amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements (if any) other than any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;
- (5) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-1-A Notes and the Class A-1-B Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class A-1-A Notes and the Class A-1-B Notes, in each case, *pro rata* in proportion to the respective amounts of interest, Defaulted Interest and Defaulted Interest Charge then due on each such Class;
- (6) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B Notes, and any accrued and unpaid Defaulted Interest on, and any Defaulted Interest Charge with respect to, the Class B Notes;
- (7) if the Class A/B Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes and the Class B Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case, in the amount necessary so that all of the Class A/B Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (7) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(1) on the current Payment Date);
- (8) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class C Notes (excluding Class C Deferred Interest, but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class C Deferred Interest);
- (9) if the Class C Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes, the Class B Notes and the Class C Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class C Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (9) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(3) on the current Payment Date);

- (10) to the payment of Class C Deferred Interest;
- (11) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class D Notes (excluding Class D Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class D Deferred Interest);
- (12) if the Class D Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that all of the Class D Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (12) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(6) on the current Payment Date);
- (13) to the payment of Class D Deferred Interest;
- (14) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class E Notes (excluding Class E Deferred Interest but including interest accrued for the preceding Interest Period on Class E Deferred Interest);
- (15) if the Class E Coverage Tests are not satisfied on the related Determination Date and all of the Class A/B Coverage Tests and the Class C Coverage Tests are satisfied on such Determination Date, to the payment of principal of the Class E Notes in the amount necessary so that all of the Class E Coverage Tests would be met on such Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments in reduction of the principal of Notes made through this clause, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (15) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(9) on the current Payment Date);
- (16) to the payment of Class E Deferred Interest;
- (17) if a Rating Confirmation Failure exists on the Payment Date, to the payment of principal of the Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes in the Note Payment Sequence, in each case in the amount necessary so that a Rating Confirmation is obtained, or until paid in full (Interest Proceeds to be applied pursuant to this clause (17) before the application of any Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(ii)(11) on the current Payment Date);
- (18) during the Replacement Period, if the Retention Overcollateralization Test is not satisfied on the related Determination Date, for deposit to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds 50% of the remaining Interest Proceeds available after the payments pursuant to clause (17) above (or, if the amount necessary to cause the Retention Overcollateralization Test to be satisfied as of such Determination Date is less than 50% of such remaining Interest Proceeds, such necessary amount);
- (19) to the payment of any remaining Administrative Expenses not paid under clause (1) above in the respective priorities specified in clause (1);
- (20) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with Section 10.3(j) an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) any accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee then due and payable and SECOND, to the payment (*pro*

*rata* according to the amounts payable under clauses (x) and (y) below) to: (x) the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Subordinated Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and (y) *pro rata* to each Noteholder entitled thereto, the applicable Extension Bonus Payment pursuant to, and in accordance with, Section 2.4(g);

(21) to the payment of any Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments;

(22) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of Preference Shares until the Holders of the Preference Shares have realized a Preference Share Internal Rate of Return of 12.0%;

(23) FIRST, to deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account for payment in accordance with Section 10.3(j) of an amount equal to the product of (i) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date, if any, and (ii) the Supplemental Servicing Fee, if applicable and SECOND, to the payment to the Servicer of an amount equal to the difference between (i) the accrued and unpaid Supplemental Servicing Fee as of such Payment Date and (ii) the amount deposited to the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account in accordance with the preceding clause; and

(24) any remaining Interest Proceeds, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares;

provided that, in lieu of payment of Interest Proceeds referred to under clauses (22) and (24) above, in whole or in part on any Payment Date, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute any Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be due and payable on such Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to any such Payment Date shall be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution in accordance with Priority of Payments on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be increased accordingly.

(ii) On each Payment Date, Principal Proceeds with respect to the related Due Period other than:

(A) Principal Proceeds previously used to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) or otherwise used as permitted by Section 10.2,

(B) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Revolving Reserve Account, the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account, the Synthetic Security Collateral Account, or the Securities Lending Account, and

(C) Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account in an aggregate amount equal to the agreed Purchase Prices for Collateral Obligations with respect to which the Issuer has entered into a commitment before the end of the Due Period for their purchase, but has not settled the purchase by the end of the Due Period,

shall be distributed in the following order of priority:

(1) (x) FIRST, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (1) through (6) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (y) SECOND, to the payment of amounts referred to in clause (7) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class A/B Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (1), or until such amounts are paid in full;

(2) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (8) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(3) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (9) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class C Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (3), or until such amounts are paid in full;

(4) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (10) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(5) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (11) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(6) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (12) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class D Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (6), or until such amounts are paid in full;

(7) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (13) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(8) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (14) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(9) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (15) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (regardless whether or not the conditions of sub-clause (i) of such clause (15) are satisfied) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and to the extent necessary to cause the Class E Overcollateralization Test to be met as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any payments made through this clause (9), or until such amounts are paid in full;

(10) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (16) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(11) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clause (17) of Section 11.1(a)(i) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder;

(12)

(A) if the Payment Date is a Redemption Date in the following order of priority: (i) to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of the Redemption Prices of all of the Notes to be redeemed, (ii) to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (19) through (23) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder and (iii) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment to the Holders of the Preference Shares of the Redemption Price of any Preference Shares to be redeemed; and

(B) if the Payment Date is a Special Redemption Date, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of the Notes in an aggregate amount equal to the Special Redemption Amount, in each case until paid in full;

(13) during the Replacement Period, all remaining Principal Proceeds to the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.19 and Article 12 (and, until so applied (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security), to be deposited in the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds);

(14) after the Replacement Period, (i) FIRST, at the discretion of the Servicer (with respect to Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from the sale of Credit Improved Obligations) to the purchase or funding of additional or replacement Collateral Obligations in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria and the applicable provisions of this Indenture when appropriate Collateral Obligations are available, and until such time, to the Collection Account for the purchase of Eligible Investments; and (ii) SECOND, to the payment in the Note Payment Sequence of principal of Notes until paid in full;

(15) to the extent not previously paid in full under clause (12) above, after the Replacement Period, to the payment of the amounts referred to in clauses (19) through (23) of Section 11.1(a)(i) (and in the same manner and order of priority) to the extent not previously paid in full thereunder; and

(16) after the Replacement Period to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, for deposit into the Preference Shares Distribution Account for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

(b) If on any Payment Date the amount available in the Payment Account is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by the Valuation Report, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for in the order and according to the priority under Section 11.1(a), subject to Section 13.1, to the extent funds are available therefor.

(c) The Trustee shall remit funds to pay Administrative Expenses of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in accordance with Section 11.1(a), to the extent available, to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer as directed and designated in an Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions) delivered to the Trustee no later than the Business Day before each Payment Date.

(d) If the Hedge Counterparty defaults in the payment of its obligations to the Issuer under the respective Hedge Agreements on the date on which any payment is due thereunder, the Trustee shall make a demand on the Hedge Counterparty, or any guarantor, if applicable, demanding payment by 12:30 P.M., New York time, on that date. The Trustee shall give notice to the Noteholders, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares), the Servicer and each Rating Agency upon the continuing failure by the Hedge Counterparty to perform its obligations during the two Business Days following a demand made by the Trustee on, the Hedge Counterparty, and shall take the action with respect to the continuing failure as directed by the Servicer unless an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing in which case direction is to be taken pursuant to Section 5.13.

(e) Except as otherwise expressly provided in Section 11.1(a) above, if on any Payment Date, the amount available in the Payment Account from amounts received in the related Due Period is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by any numbered or lettered paragraph or clause of Section 11.1(a) to different Persons, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for by the paragraph or clause ratably in accordance with the respective amounts of the disbursements then payable, subject to Section 13.1, to the extent funds are available therefor.

## ARTICLE 12

### SALE OF COLLATERAL OBLIGATIONS; PURCHASE OF COLLATERAL OBLIGATIONS

#### Section 12.1. *Sales of Collateral Obligations.*

Subject to the satisfaction of the conditions specified in Section 10.6, Section 12.1 and Section 12.3 and if no Event of Default is continuing as evidenced by an Officer's certificate of the Servicer provided to the Trustee, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset if the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that the sale meets the requirements of any one of paragraphs (a) through (i) of this Section 12.1. If the Issuer sells any Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset during the Replacement Period, the proceeds shall be applied in accordance with Section 12.2.

(a) *Credit Risk Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Risk Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Risk Obligation in accordance with such direction. Following any sale of a Credit Risk Obligation pursuant to this Section 12.1(a), at the direction of the Servicer during the Replacement Period, the Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase additional Collateral Obligations (to the extent the purchase is in the best interest of the Issuer) meeting the Eligibility Criteria with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Sale Proceeds received by the Issuer with respect to the Collateral Obligation sold. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount.

(b) *Credit Improved Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Improved Obligation if either:

(i) during the Replacement Period, the Servicer has identified in writing before the sale one or more specific manners in which it will be able, in compliance with the Eligibility Criteria and the requirements set forth in Section 12.1(i), to cause the Issuer to use the Sale Proceeds (it being understood that such identification shall not be considered either a requirement or an assurance that any specified purchase will be consummated) to purchase one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance of the Credit Improved Obligation by the end of the immediately succeeding Due Period (for this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest) which in aggregate will result in (i) the Collateral Quality Tests, the Interest Coverage Tests, the Overcollateralization Tests and the Concentration Limitations herein being satisfied or if one or more of such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations are not satisfied, the degree of compliance therewith being improved, (ii) the quality of the total portfolio of Collateral Obligations as measured by such Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests and Concentration Limitations being improved on a net basis in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer and (iii) in the case of each of clause (i) and (ii), any other Collateral Quality Tests, Interest Coverage Tests, Overcollateralization Tests or Concentration Limitations not being violated or, in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Servicer, the likelihood of such violation in the future not being significantly increased; and

(ii) after the Replacement Period, the Sale Proceeds received in respect of the Credit Improved Obligation are at least equal to its Purchase Criteria Adjusted Balance. For this purpose, the Principal Balance of any Revolving Loan or Delayed Drawdown Loan shall only include its funded amount and Principal Balance shall include the principal balance of Collateral Obligations in which the Trustee does not have a first priority perfected security interest;

and the Trustee shall sell the Credit Improved Obligation in accordance with such direction.

(c) *Non-Performing Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Non-Performing Collateral Obligation at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Non-Performing Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction. Non-Performing Collateral Obligations may be sold regardless of price.

(d) *Non-qualifying Collateral Obligations.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any obligation that at the time of acquisition, conversion, or exchange does not satisfy the requirements of a Collateral Obligation (the "***Non-qualifying Collateral Obligation***") at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell that obligation in accordance with such direction.

(e) *Withholding Tax Sales.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation subject to withholding tax at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligation in accordance with such direction.

(f) *Optional Redemption.* After the Issuer has notified the Trustee of an Optional Redemption of the Notes in accordance with Article 9, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all or a portion of the Collateral Obligations as contemplated therein if



(i) the requirements of Article 9 are satisfied and (ii) the Independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to Section 10.7 have confirmed the calculations contained in any required certificate furnished by the Servicer pursuant to Section 9.3(c). After a Majority of the Preference Shares have directed an Optional Redemption of the Preference Shares in accordance with Section 9.2(b), at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to sell all of the remaining Collateral Obligations (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(i)) or a portion of the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with the unanimous directions of Holders of the Preference Shares (in the case of an Optional Redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii)) and the Trustee shall sell the remaining Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

(g) *Rating Confirmation Failure.* After the Servicer has received notice of a Rating Confirmation Failure and if available Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds are insufficient to effect the redemption of the Notes at par on any subsequent Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments as and to the extent necessary for each of Moody's and S&P to confirm the Initial Ratings assigned by it on the Closing Date to the Securities, the Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, direct the Trustee to sell Collateral Obligations as contemplated in Section 9.1 and the Trustee shall sell the Collateral Obligations in accordance with such direction.

(h) *Workout Assets.* At the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to sell any Workout Asset at any time during or after the Replacement Period without restriction and regardless of price and the Trustee shall sell the Workout Assets in accordance with such direction.

(i) *Supervening Requirement.* Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Issuer (at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise) shall not acquire or dispose of a Collateral Obligation or other eligible asset (as defined in Rule 3a-7) for the primary purpose of recognizing gains or decreasing losses resulting from market value changes. For the avoidance of doubt, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer or otherwise, may direct the Trustee to sell any CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligation or Deep Discount Obligation only (a) if it constitutes Credit Risk Obligation or Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or (b) in connection with the Optional Redemption as set out in paragraph (f) above. The Trustee shall have no obligation to monitor compliance by the Issuer or the Servicer with respect to the requirement set out in this paragraph (i).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation (other than the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation or a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation pursuant to a sale that meets the requirements in paragraph (a) or (c) above, as applicable) following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to Section 14 of the Servicing Agreement until a successor Servicer is appointed pursuant to Section 12 of the Servicing Agreement.

#### Section 12.2. *Purchase of Collateral Obligations.*

(a) On any date during the Replacement Period (and, in respect of Principal Proceeds constituting Unscheduled Principal Payments and Sale Proceeds from Credit Risk Obligations and Credit Improved Obligations, on any date after the Replacement Period), so long as no Event of Default is continuing, at the direction of the Servicer, the Issuer may direct the Trustee to apply Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds, but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on Collateral Obligations) to purchase Collateral Obligations (including any related deposit into the Revolving Reserve Account or the Delayed Drawdown Reserve Account or the posting by the Issuer of cash collateral with (or for the benefit of) a Synthetic Security Counterparty simultaneously with the Issuer's purchase of or entry into a Synthetic Security) if the Servicer certifies to the Trustee that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the conditions specified in this Section 12.2 and Section 12.3 are met.

(b) *Eligibility Criteria.* No obligations may be purchased unless each of the conditions in the following clauses (i) through (xii) (the "*Eligibility Criteria*") is satisfied as evidenced by a certificate of the Servicer as of the date the Issuer commits to make the purchase, in each case after giving effect to the purchase and all other purchases and sales previously or simultaneously committed to:

(i) the obligation is a Collateral Obligation;

(ii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period:

(A) each Overcollateralization Test is satisfied and, if the commitment is made on or after the second Payment Date, each Interest Coverage Test is satisfied, or

(B) if any such Coverage Test is not satisfied, both:

(1) the extent of satisfaction of the Coverage Test is not reduced, and

(2) the Collateral Obligation is being purchased with Principal Proceeds other than:

(x) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Defaulted Collateral Obligation, or

(y) Principal Proceeds received in respect of a Workout Asset that has been received in exchange for a Defaulted Collateral Obligation;

(iii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Diversity Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(iv) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced; *provided* that the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor does not exceed 2750 or, if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor exceeds 2750 prior to giving effect to such purchase or sale, the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor is not increased;

(v) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, each of the limits in the definition of "Concentration Limitations" is satisfied or, if any such limit is not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(vi) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Spread Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(vii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Fixed Rate Coupon Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(viii) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(ix) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average Moody's Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(x) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(xi) for any date occurring during the Replacement Period, the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied or, if not satisfied, the extent of satisfaction is not reduced; provided, however, that this Eligibility Criterion (xi) shall not apply either to the application of the proceeds from the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation, Non-Performing Collateral Obligation or Workout Asset or to the application of Principal Proceeds in respect of Defaulted Collateral Obligations; and

(xii) for any date occurring after the Replacement Period:

(A) each Coverage Test is satisfied and the extent of satisfaction is not reduced;

(B) each Collateral Quality Test (other than the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test) is maintained or improved and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied; *provided* that the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor does not exceed 2750 or, if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor exceeds 2750 prior to giving effect to such purchase or sale, the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor is not increased and the Weighted Average Rating Factor Test is satisfied;

(C) each Concentration Limitation is maintained or improved and the Aggregate Principal Balance of all CCC+/Caa1 Collateral Obligations do not exceed 7.5% of the Maximum Amount;

(D) the Weighted Average Life Test is satisfied;

(E) the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation is at least equal to the S&P Rating of the Collateral Obligation being the source of the Unscheduled Principal Payments or of the Credit Risk Obligations or Credit Improved Obligation being the source of Sale Proceeds, as applicable; and

(F) the current Moody's Rating on the Class A-1-A Notes and the Class A-1-B Notes is "Aaa" and the current Moody's Ratings on the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes are no lower than one subcategory below their Initial Rating.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to purchase any Collateral Obligation following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to Section 14 of the Servicing Agreement until a successor Servicer is appointed pursuant Section 12 of the Servicing Agreement.

(c) *Certain Permitted Exchanges.* The Issuer may, at the direction of the Servicer, exchange a Collateral Obligation for another Collateral Obligation in an A/B Exchange.

(d) *Certification by Servicer.* Not later than the Business Day preceding the settlement date for any Collateral Obligation purchased after the Closing Date (but in any event no later than the release of Cash for the Purchase Price of the purchase), the Servicer shall deliver to the Trustee an Officer's certificate of the Servicer certifying that, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, the purchase complies with this Section 12.2 and with Section 12.3 (determined as of the date that the Issuer commits to make the purchase).

(e) *Eligible Investments.* Cash on deposit in the Collection Account may be held at any time in Eligible Investments in accordance with Section 10.4(a) pending the application thereof to purchase Collateral Obligations.

**Section 12.3. *Conditions Applicable to All Sale and Purchase Transactions.***

(a) Any sale or purchase by the Issuer of a Collateral Obligation shall be conducted on an arm's length basis and, if effected with the Servicer or a Person Affiliated with the Servicer or any fund or account for which the Servicer or an Affiliate of the Servicer acts as investment adviser, shall be effected in accordance with the requirements of Section 5 of the Servicing Agreement on terms no less favorable to the Issuer than would be the case if the Person were not so Affiliated. The Trustee shall have no responsibility to oversee compliance with this clause (a) by the other parties.

(b) Upon any acquisition of any Collateral Obligation, all of the Issuer's interest in the Collateral Obligation shall be Granted to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture.

(c) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Article 12, the Issuer (or the Servicer on its behalf) shall not direct the Trustee to sell or purchase any Collateral Obligation (other than the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation or a Non-Performing Collateral Obligation pursuant to Section 12.1(a) or (c), as applicable) following receipt by the Servicer of notice of removal pursuant to Section 14 of the Servicing Agreement until a successor Servicer is appointed pursuant to Section 12(e) of the Servicing Agreement.

**Section 12.4. *Certain Determinations Relating to Collateral Obligations.***

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Indenture, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have purchased any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to purchase, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to receive such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have acquired, granted or delivered, as the case may be, such Collateral Obligations on such date.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Indenture, solely for the purpose of calculations in connection with the Eligibility Criteria, the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold any Collateral Obligations as of the date on which the Issuer enters into a contract to sell, a commitment letter, a confirmation or a due bill for such Collateral Obligation, in each case entitling the Issuer (or the Trustee as assignee thereof) to sell, and requiring the purchaser to purchase, such Collateral Obligations and, in such event, the Issuer shall be deemed to have sold such Collateral Obligations on such date.

(c) Under the circumstances described in subsections (a) and (b) above, if the transaction contemplated by the contract, commitment letter, confirmation or due bill referred to therein does not settle on or before the 60th day following the scheduled settlement date (the "**Deadline**"), the deemed purchase or sale shall be deemed not to have occurred; provided, however, that the Servicer shall have the right to extend the Deadline for an additional period (not to exceed

an additional 60 days) by notice to the Trustee, which notice shall include the Servicer's certification to the effect that the Servicer believes that the settlement shall occur on or before the extended Deadline.

(d) Scheduled distributions with respect to any Pledged Collateral Obligation shall be determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture.

## ARTICLE 13

### NOTEHOLDERS' RELATIONS

#### Section 13.1. ***Subordination.***

(a) With respect to each Class of Notes and the Preference Shares, the Classes of Notes and the Preference Shares that are Priority Classes and Junior Classes are as follows:

Class	Junior Classes	Priority Classes
A-1-A*	A-1-B, B, C, D, E, Preference Shares**	None
A-1-B*	B, C, D, E, Preference Shares**	A-1-A
B	C, D, E, Preference Shares**	A
C	D, E, Preference Shares**	A, B
D	E, Preference Shares**	A, B, C
E	Preference Shares**	A, B, C, D
Preference Shares	None***	A, B, C, D, E

\* The payment of interest on the Class A-1-A Notes and the Class A-1-B Notes shall rank *pari passu*, and the Class A-1-A Notes and the Class A-1-B Notes will be allocated principal payments on each Payment Date in accordance with the Class A Allocation.

\*\* Other than with respect to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments, which may be payable to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as set forth herein and will have priority to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

\*\*\* The Preference Shares will be entitled to certain residual cash flow after payment of senior obligations in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

(b) Anything in this Indenture or the Notes to the contrary notwithstanding, the Holders of each Class of Notes that is a Junior Class agree for the benefit of the Holders of Notes of each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class that the Junior Class shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes of each Priority Class to the extent and in the manner provided in this Indenture. If any Event of Default has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs and is continuing in accordance with Article 5, each Priority Class of Notes shall be paid in full in Cash or, to the extent a Majority of each Class consents, other than in Cash, before any further payment or distribution is made on account of any Junior Class of Notes with respect to the Priority Class. The Holders of each Junior Class of Notes agree, for the benefit of the Holders of Notes of each Priority Class in respect of the Junior Class, not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for failure to pay to them amounts due to the Junior Class, of the Notes or each Class of

Notes, as the case may be, or under this Indenture until the payment in full of the Priority Classes or all the Classes, as the case may be, and not before one year and a day, or if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect, has elapsed since the payment.

(c) If, notwithstanding the provisions of this Indenture, any Holder of Notes of any Junior Class has received any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes contrary to the provisions of this Indenture, then, until each Priority Class with respect to the Junior Class of Notes or each Class of Notes, as the case may be, has been paid in full in Cash or, to the extent a Majority of the Priority Class or the Class, as the case may be, consents, other than in Cash in accordance with this Indenture, the payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, which shall pay and deliver the same to the Holders of the applicable Priority Classes of Notes or the Holders of all Classes of Notes, as the case may be, in accordance with this Indenture. If any such payment or distribution is made other than in Cash, it shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral and subject in all respects to this Indenture, including this Section 13.1.

(d) Each Holder of Notes of any Junior Class agrees with all Holders of the applicable Priority Classes that the Holder of Junior Class Notes shall not demand, accept, or receive any payment or distribution in respect of the Notes in violation of this Indenture including this Section 13.1. After a Priority Class has been paid in full, the Holders of Notes of the related Junior Class or Classes shall be fully subrogated to the rights of the Holders of the Priority Class. Nothing in this Section 13.1 shall affect the obligation of the Issuer to pay Holders of any Junior Class of Notes.

(e) Distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares (other than, as and to the extent described herein, the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) are subordinate to distributions on the Notes as described in the Priority of Payments.

(f) The Servicing Fees shall have priority only to the extent provided in the Priority of Payments.

#### Section 13.2. *Standard of Conduct.*

In exercising any of its or their voting rights, rights to direct and consent, or any other rights as a Noteholder under this Indenture, a Noteholder shall not have any obligation or duty to any Person or to consider or take into account the interests of any Person and shall not be liable to any Person for any action taken by it or them or at its or their direction or any failure by it or them to act or to direct that an action be taken, without regard to whether the action or inaction benefits or adversely affects any Noteholder, the Issuer or any other Person, except for any liability to which the Noteholder may be subject to the extent the same results from the Noteholder's taking or directing an action, or failing to take or direct an action, in bad faith or in violation of the express terms of this Indenture.

## ARTICLE 14

### MISCELLANEOUS

#### Section 14.1. *Form of Documents Delivered to Trustee.*

In any case where several matters are required to be certified by, or covered by an opinion of, any specified Person, it is not necessary that all the matters be certified by, or covered by the opinion of, only one Person, or that they be so certified or covered by only one document, but one such Person may certify or give an opinion with respect to some matters and one or more other such

Persons as to other matters, and any such Person may certify or give an opinion as to the matters in one or several documents.

Any certificate or opinion of an Officer of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Servicer may be based, insofar as it relates to legal matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, counsel, unless the Officer knows, or should know that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to the matters upon which his certificate or opinion is based are erroneous. Any such certificate of an Officer of the Issuer, Co-Issuer or the Servicer or Opinion of Counsel may be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or any other Person, stating that the information with respect to the factual matters is in the possession of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or the other Person, unless the Officer of the Issuer, Co-Issuer or the Servicer or the counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to factual matters are erroneous. Any Opinion of Counsel may also be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, an Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, stating that the information with respect to factual matters is in the possession of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, unless the counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to factual matters are erroneous.

Where any Person is required to make, give, or execute two or more applications, requests, consents, certificates, statements, opinions or other instruments under this Indenture, they may, but need not, be consolidated and form one instrument.

Whenever this Indenture provides that the absence of the continuation of a Default or Event of Default is a condition precedent to the taking of any action by the Trustee at the request or direction of either Co-Issuer, then notwithstanding that the satisfaction of the condition is a condition precedent to the Co-Issuer's right to make the request or direction, the Trustee shall be protected in acting in accordance with the request or direction if it does not have knowledge of the continuation of the Default or Event of Default as provided in Section 6.1(d).

#### Section 14.2. *Acts of Holders of Securities.*

(a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or taken by Holders of Securities may be embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments (which may be an electronic document, including, but not limited, to in the form of e-mail, to the extent permitted by applicable law) of substantially similar tenor signed by Holders of Securities in Person or by agents duly appointed in writing (provided that no signature shall be required on electronic documents, including, but not limited to, in the form of e-mail to the extent permitted by law). Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, the action shall become effective when the instruments are delivered to the Trustee (which instrument or instruments may be delivered through the Preference Shares Paying Agent, in the case of the Holders of the Preference Shares) and, if expressly required, to the Issuer. The instruments (and the action embodied in them) are referred to as the "*Act*" of the Holders of Securities signing the instruments. Proof of execution of any instrument or of a writing appointing an agent for a Holder of a Security shall be sufficient for any purpose of this Indenture and conclusive in favor of the Trustee and the Issuer, if made in the manner provided in this Section.

(b) The fact and date of the execution by any Person of any instrument may be proved by an affidavit of a witness to the execution or the certificate of any notary public or other Person authorized by law to acknowledge the execution of deeds. Any certificate on behalf of a jural entity executed by a Person purporting to have authority to act on behalf of the jural entity shall itself be sufficient proof of the authority of the Person executing it to act. The fact and date of the execution by any Person of any instrument may also be proved in any other manner that the Trustee deems sufficient.

(c) The Indenture Register shall prove the ownership of the Notes and the principal amount and registered numbers of Notes and the number of Preference Shares held by and the number(s) of the Preference Share certificate(s) issued to, any Person shall be proved by the Preference Share register.

(d) Any Act by the Holder of a Security shall bind every Holder of the same Security and every Security issued on its transfer or in exchange for it or in lieu of it, in respect of anything done, omitted or suffered to be done by the Trustee or the Issuer in reliance on the Act, whether or not notation of the action is made on the Securities.

Section 14.3. *Notices, etc., to Certain Persons or Parties.*

(a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, order, notice, consent, waiver, or Act of Holders of Securities or other documents provided or permitted by this Indenture to be made, given, or furnished to, or filed with:

(i) the Trustee or Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and made, given, furnished, or filed to and mailed, by certified mail, return receipt requested, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service guaranteeing next day delivery, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Trustee or Preference Shares Paying Agent addressed to it at, 200 Clarendon Street, Mail Code EUC 108, Boston, MA 02116, telecopy no. (617) 351-4358, Attention: CDO Services Group, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto by the Trustee (any request, direction, order, notice or other communication from the Servicer to the Trustee under Article 12 (other than required certifications) may be by electronic mail, which shall be deemed to be in writing);

(ii) the Co-Issuers shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Issuer addressed to it at c/o Maples Finance Limited, P.O. Box 1093GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, telecopy no. (345) 945-7100, Attention: the Directors—Westchester CLO, Ltd., or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, with a copy to the Servicer at its address below;

(iii) the Servicer shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Servicer addressed to it at Two Galleria Tower, 13455 Noel Road, Suite 800, Dallas, Texas 75240, telecopy no. (972) 628-4147, Attention: James Dondero, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the other parties hereto;

(iv) the Initial Purchasers shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to the Initial Purchasers addressed to them at 745 Seventh Ave., New York, New York 10019, telecopy no. (212) 526-6713, Attention: CDO Banking, or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Co-Issuers, the Servicer, and the Trustee by an Officer of either Initial Purchaser, as the case may be

(v) any Hedge Counterparty shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed,



first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered or sent by overnight courier service or by telecopy in legible form to the Hedge Counterparty addressed to it at the address specified in the relevant Hedge Agreement or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Issuer or the Trustee by the Hedge Counterparty;

(vi) the Rating Agencies shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by telecopy in legible form, to each Rating Agency addressed to it at Moody's Investors Service, Inc., 99 Church Street, New York, New York, 10007, Telecopy No. (212) 553-4170, cdomonitoring@moodys.com, Attention: CBO/CLO Monitoring and Standard & Poor's, 55 Water Street, 41<sup>st</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10041-0003, telecopy no. (212) 438-2664, Attention: Asset Backed-CBO/CLO Surveillance and each Monthly Report shall also be sent to S&P electronically to CDO\_Surveillance@standardandpoors.com;

(vii) the Administrator shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture (unless otherwise in this Indenture expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, or by facsimile in legible form, addressed to Maples Finance Limited, P.O. Box 1093GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, telecopy no. (345) 945-7100, Attention: the Directors—Westchester CLO, Ltd.; or

(viii) the Repository shall be sufficient for every purpose under this Indenture if delivered to the Repository at CDO Library, c/o The Bond Market Association, 360 Madison Avenue, 18th Floor, New York, New York 10017, electronic mail address: admin@cdolibrary.com. Any document required to be delivered or made available to the Repository by the Trustee may be made available by providing the operator of the Repository with access to a website containing such document in a format that permits the user to download the document as a pdf file.

(b) If any provision in this Indenture calls for any notice or document to be delivered simultaneously to the Trustee and any other Person, the Trustee's receipt of the notice or document shall entitle the Trustee to assume that the notice or document was delivered to the other Person unless otherwise expressly specified in this Indenture.

(c) Any Holder or beneficial owner of any Class A-1-A Notes or Class A-1-B Notes may elect to acquire bond insurance, a surety bond, a credit default swap or similar credit enhancement supporting the payment of principal and/or interest on such Class A-1-A Notes or Class A-1-B Notes, as applicable, on terms and conditions acceptable to such Holder or beneficial owner and at the sole expense of such Holder or beneficial owner. On or after any such acquisition, such Holder or beneficial owner may deliver notice (and if from a beneficial owner, any such notice shall include certification that such owner is a beneficial owner of the Class A-1-A Notes or Class A-1-B Notes, as applicable) to the Trustee in substantially the form of Exhibit J specifying the name and contact information of the insurer, surety, credit protection seller or enhancer of such Class A-1-A Notes or Class A-1-B Notes, as applicable (each, an "*Insurer*"). After receipt of any such notice (in the form of Exhibit J) by the Trustee, the Trustee shall copy the related Insurer on all notices, reports or other documents delivered to the Noteholders.

(d) Unless notified to the contrary by Financial Security Assurance Inc. ("*FSA*") or unless FSA is no longer to direct the vote of at least the Super Majority of the Class A-1-A Notes, each of the parties hereto agrees that, so long as any Class A-1-A Notes are Outstanding, FSA shall be entitled to receive, and shall be distributed, all reports, notices, certificates, statements and other information (including access to the Trustee's password protected website)

that are required to be delivered to any Holder of the Class A-1-A Notes (or that any Holder of the Class A-1-A Notes is entitled to request) at the same time and in the same manner as such reports, notices, certificates, statements and other information are delivered to each such Holder of Class A-1-A Notes, at the following address (or at any other address furnished in writing from time to time by FSA to the parties hereto): Financial Security Assurance Inc., 31 West 52<sup>nd</sup> Street, New York, NY 10019, Attention: CDO Surveillance, telephone no.: (212) 826-0100; electronic mail: [cdoreport@fsa.com](mailto:cdoreport@fsa.com), facsimile no.: (212) 339-3581. For the avoidance of doubt, FSA shall be entitled to request directly that the parties hereto provide it with such reports, notices, certificates, statements and other information that are required to be delivered to any Holder of the Class A-1-A Notes (or that any Holder of the Class A-1-A Notes is entitled to request).

**Section 14.4. *Notices to Noteholders and the Preference Shares Paying Agent; Waiver.***

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, where this Indenture provides for notice to the Noteholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) of any event,

(a) the notice shall be sufficiently given to the Noteholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, each Noteholder affected by the event or the Preference Shares Paying Agent, at the address of the Holder as it appears in the Indenture Register or at the address of the Preference Shares Paying Agent supplied by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Trustee, as applicable, not earlier than the earliest date and not later than the latest date, prescribed for the giving of the notice; and

(b) the notice shall be in the English language.

Notices shall be deemed to have been given on the date of their mailing.

Notwithstanding clause (a), a Noteholder or the Preference Shares Paying Agent may give the Trustee a written notice that it is requesting that notices to it be given by facsimile transmissions and stating the telecopy number for the transmission. Thereafter, the Trustee shall give notices to the Holder or the Preference Shares Paying Agent by facsimile transmission. If the notice also requests that notices be given by mail, then the notice shall also be given by mail in accordance with clause (a) above, as the case may be.

The Trustee shall deliver to the Noteholders any information or notice relating to this Indenture requested to be so delivered by at least 10% (by Aggregate Outstanding Amount) of the Holders of any Class of Notes at the expense of the Issuer. The Trustee shall deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent any information or notice that the Preference Shares Paying Agent certifies was requested to be so delivered by at least 10% (by Aggregate Outstanding Amount) of the Holders of the Preference Shares at the expense of the Issuer.

Neither the failure to mail any notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Noteholder or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall affect the sufficiency of the notice with respect to other Noteholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent. If it is impracticable to give the notice by mail of any event to Noteholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent when the notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this Indenture because of the suspension of regular mail service as a result of a strike, work stoppage or similar activity or because of any other cause, then the notification to Noteholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent as shall be made with the approval of the Trustee shall be a sufficient notification to the Holders for every purpose under this Indenture.

Where this Indenture provides for notice in any manner, the notice may be waived in writing by any Person entitled to receive the notice, either before or after the event, and the waiver shall be the equivalent of the notice. Waivers of notice by Noteholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be filed with the Trustee but the filing shall not be a condition precedent to the validity of any action taken in reliance on the waiver.

So long as any Senior Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the exchange so require, all notices to Noteholders or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to Holders of Preference Shares) shall also be given to the Irish Paying Agent for publication in the Company Announcements Office of the Irish Stock Exchange.

The Issuer shall (and authorizes the Trustee to) deliver to the Initial Purchasers all periodic reports, notices, demands, and other written information delivered or received by the Issuer, the Servicer, trustees, paying agents, accountants, or other Persons pursuant to this Indenture and other operative documentation relating to the Notes requested by the Initial Purchasers (collectively, the "**Transaction Reports**") and the Issuer consents to the Initial Purchasers providing Transaction Reports received by it to current and prospective investors in the Notes (including by means of electronic transmissions or posting the Transaction Reports on internet sites maintained by the Initial Purchasers or any of their Affiliates).

Section 14.5. ***Effect of Headings and Table of Contents.***

The Article and Section headings in this Indenture and the Table of Contents are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction of this Indenture.

Section 14.6. ***Successors and Assigns.***

All covenants and agreements in this Indenture by the Co-Issuers shall bind their respective successors and assigns, whether so expressed or not.

Section 14.7. ***Separability.***

Except to the extent prohibited by applicable law, in case any provision in this Indenture, in the Notes shall be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the validity, legality, and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

Section 14.8. ***Benefits of Indenture.***

Nothing in this Indenture or in the Notes, expressed or implied, shall give to any Person, other than the parties hereto and their successors under this Indenture, the Servicer, the Noteholders, the Holders of Preference Shares or the Preference Shares Paying Agent any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under this Indenture.

Section 14.9. ***Governing Law.***

THIS INDENTURE AND EACH NOTE SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS PROVISIONS THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION.

**Section 14.10. *Submission to Jurisdiction.***

The Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or federal court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Securities or this Indenture, and the Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably agree that all claims in respect of the action or proceeding may be heard and determined in the New York State or federal court. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee hereby irrevocably waive, to the fullest extent that they may legally do so, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of the action or proceeding. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee irrevocably consent to the service of all process in any action or proceeding by the mailing or delivery of copies of the process to the Co-Issuers at the office of Investors Bank & Trust Company (to the attention of Investors Bank & Trust Company, Trustee for Westchester CLO, Ltd.) set out in Section 7.2. The Co-Issuers and the Trustee agree that a final judgment in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

**Section 14.11. *Counterparts.***

This Indenture may be executed in any number of copies, and by the different parties on the same or separate counterparts, each of which shall be considered to be an original instrument.

**Section 14.12. *Acts of Issuer.***

Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or performed by the Issuer shall be effective if given or performed by the Issuer or by the Servicer on the Issuer's behalf.

**Section 14.13. *Consent of Posting of Documents on Repository.***

The Issuer hereby consents to (a) the posting of the final Offering Memorandum, this Indenture and the periodic reports to be delivered pursuant to the transaction documents and any amendments or other modifications thereto on the Repository for use in the manner provided in the Repository and (b) the display of its name on the Repository in connection therewith. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Trustee makes any representation or warranty to The Bond Market Association (or any successor thereto) or any affiliate thereof or any Person having or obtaining access to the information maintained in the Repository or to any of such Person's affiliates regarding the accuracy or completeness of any information, document, report or other communication transmitted to the Repository, and no Person having or obtaining access to the information maintained in the Repository shall have any rights under this Indenture or otherwise by reason of the transmission of any such information, document, report or other communication to the Repository.

**Section 14.14. *Liability of Co-Issuers.***

Notwithstanding any other terms of this Indenture, the Notes or any other agreement entered into by either of the Co-Issuers or otherwise, neither of the Co-Issuers shall have any liability whatsoever to the other of the Co-Issuers under this Indenture, the Notes, any other agreement, or otherwise. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, neither of the Co-Issuers may take any action to enforce, or bring any action or proceeding, in respect of this Indenture, the Notes, any other agreement, or otherwise against the other of the Co-Issuers. In particular, neither of the Co-Issuers may petition or take any other steps for the winding up or bankruptcy of the other of the Co-Issuers and neither of the Co-Issuers shall have any claim with respect to any assets of the other of the Co-Issuers.

Section 14.15. *Indemnity of Co-Issuer.*

The Issuer agrees to indemnify the Co-Issuer for any payments that may become due from the Co-Issuer under Article 11 with respect to any Notes issued under this Indenture and any administrative, legal, or other costs incurred by the Co-Issuer in connection with those payments.

ARTICLE 15

ASSIGNMENT OF SERVICING AGREEMENT; HEDGE AGREEMENTS

Section 15.1. *Assignment of Servicing Agreement; Amendment of Servicing Agreement.*

(a) The Issuer, in furtherance of the covenants of this Indenture and as security for the Notes and amounts payable to the Secured Parties under this Indenture and the performance and observance of the provisions of this Indenture, acknowledges that its Grant pursuant to the first Granting Clause includes all of the Issuer's interest in the Servicing Agreement, including:

- (i) the right to give all notices, consents and releases under it,
- (ii) the right to give all notices of termination pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and to take any legal action upon the breach of an obligation of the Servicer under it, including the commencement, conduct and consummation of proceedings at law or in equity,
- (iii) the right to receive all notices, accountings, consents, releases and statements under it, and
- (iv) the right to do all other things whatsoever that the Issuer is or may be entitled to do under it.

Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, the Trustee may not exercise any of the rights in (i) through (iv) above or that may otherwise arise as a result of the Grant until the occurrence of an Event of Default under this Indenture and the authority shall terminate when the Event of Default is cured or waived.

(b) The assignment made hereby is executed as security, and the execution and delivery hereby shall not in any way impair or diminish the obligations of the Issuer under the Servicing Agreement, nor shall any of the obligations contained in the Servicing Agreement be imposed on the Trustee.

(c) Upon the retirement of the Notes and the release of the Collateral from the lien of this Indenture, this assignment, and all rights in this Indenture assigned to the Trustee for the benefit of the Noteholders shall cease and terminate and all the interest of the Trustee in the Servicing Agreement shall revert to the Issuer and no further instrument or act shall be necessary to evidence the termination and reversion.

(d) The Issuer represents that the Issuer has not executed any other assignment of the Servicing Agreement.

(e) The Issuer agrees that this assignment is irrevocable, and that it shall not take any action that is inconsistent with this assignment or make any other assignment inconsistent herewith. The Issuer shall, from time to time upon the request of the Trustee, execute all instruments of further

assurance and all such supplemental instruments with respect to this assignment as the Trustee may reasonably request.

(f) The Issuer agrees to obtain the agreement and consent of the Servicer in the Servicing Agreement to the following:

(i) the Servicer consents to this collateral assignment and agrees to perform any provisions of this Indenture made expressly applicable to the Servicer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement.

(ii) the Servicer acknowledges that the Issuer is collaterally assigning all of its interest in the Servicing Agreement to the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties and the Servicer agrees that all of the representations, covenants and agreements made by the Servicer in the Servicing Agreement are also for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

(iii) the Servicer shall deliver to the Trustee duplicate original copies of all notices, statements, communications and instruments delivered or required to be delivered to the Issuer pursuant to the Servicing Agreement (other than any of them delivered to the Issuer by the Trustee or the Collateral Administrator).

(iv) the procedure for amending the Servicing Agreement as set forth in Section 15.1(h) below.

(v) except as otherwise provided in this Indenture and the Servicing Agreement, subject to the resignation rights of the Servicer pursuant to Section 12 of the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer shall continue to serve as Servicer under the Servicing Agreement notwithstanding that the Servicer shall not have received amounts due it under the Servicing Agreement because sufficient funds were not then available under this Indenture to pay the amounts pursuant to the Priority of Payments. The Servicer agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer for the nonpayment of the fees or other amounts payable by the Administrative Agent to the Servicer under the Servicing Agreement until the payment in full of all Notes issued under this Indenture and the payment to the Preference Shares Paying Agent of all amounts payable with respect to the Preference Shares in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the expiration of a period equal to the greater of (A) the applicable preference period plus one day or (B) one year and one day following the payment. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Servicer may commence any legal action that is not a bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation or similar proceeding against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any of their properties and may take any action it deems appropriate at any time in any bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation or similar proceeding and any other Proceeding voluntarily commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or involuntarily commenced against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by anyone other than the Servicer or any Affiliate of the Servicer.

(vi) the Servicer irrevocably submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or federal court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Notes, the Preference Shares or this Indenture, and the Servicer irrevocably agrees that all claims in respect of the action or proceeding may be heard and determined in the New York State or federal court. The Servicer irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent it may legally do so, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of the action or proceeding. The Servicer irrevocably consents to the service of all process in any action or proceeding by the mailing or delivery of copies of the process to it the address provided for in Section 14.3. The Servicer agrees that a final and non-appealable judgment by a court of competent

jurisdiction in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

(g) Following the resignation or removal of the Servicer, the Issuer shall use its best efforts to appoint a successor Servicer, and the Issuer, the Trustee, and the resigning or removed Servicer shall take any action consistent with the Servicing Agreement and this Indenture applicable to the Servicer, necessary to effectuate any such succession.

(h) (i) The Issuer may, at the request of the Servicer, enter into an amendment or modification of the Servicing Agreement from time to time, without the consent of the Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not the interests of the Holders of the Securities are adversely affected thereby; provided that, with respect to any such amendment or modification, (a) a Rating Condition is satisfied and (b) a Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes or a Majority of the Holders of the Preference Shares have not objected in writing to such amendment or modification prior to the relevant Objection Cut-Off Date (as defined below).

(ii) If at any time the Servicer desires to amend or modify the Servicing Agreement, the Servicer shall notify the Issuer and the Trustee, providing details of such proposed amendment or modification. Not later than five Business Days after receipt of such notice, the Trustee shall mail such notice to (a) each Noteholder at such Holder's address in the Indenture Register or otherwise in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository, Euroclear and Clearstream, as applicable, (b) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of Preference Shares) and (c) to each Rating Agency. If any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes or any Holder of the Preference Shares notifies, by delivering a written notice to the Trustee within 35 days after the Trustee has mailed such notice, that it objects to such proposed amendment or modification, the Trustee shall, within two Business Days after receiving such notice of objection, mail a notice of the receipt of such objection to the Issuer, the Servicer and other Holders of the Controlling Class of Notes and other Holders of the Preference Shares. Each Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes and each Holder of the Preference Shares that also wishes to object to such amendment or modification must, by delivering a written notice, so notify the Trustee within seven Business Days after the Trustee has mailed such notice of the receipt of such objection (the last day of such seven Business Day period, the "**Objection Cut-Off Date**"). If a Majority of either the Controlling Class of Notes or the Preference Shares notifies the Trustee in writing on or before the Objection Cut-Off Date that they object to the proposed amendment or modification to the Servicing Agreement, such amendment or modification shall not be made.

## Section 15.2. *Hedge Agreements.*

(a) At any time and from time to time on or after the Closing Date, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer and with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, shall enter into the Hedge Agreements and shall assign its rights (but none of its obligations) under the Hedge Agreements to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture. The Trustee shall, on behalf of the Issuer and in accordance with the Valuation Report, pay amounts due to the Hedge Counterparties under the Hedge Agreements on any Payment Date in accordance with Section 11.1.

(b) The Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless at the time of entering the Hedge Agreement the Hedge Counterparty has:

(i) a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of "A1" or higher if the Hedge Counterparty has only a long-term rating; or a debt rating by Moody's for long-term debt of



"A2" or higher and a debt rating by Moody's for short-term debt of "P-1" if the Hedge Counterparty has both long-term and short-term ratings; and

(ii) a short-term debt rating by S&P of not less than "A-1" or, if the Hedge Counterparty does not have a short-term debt rating by S&P, a long-term debt rating of not less than "A+" (the "**Required Rating**").

(c) If at any time a Hedge Counterparty does not have the Required Rating, then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within the applicable period specified in the related Hedge Agreement, either:

(i) post collateral with the Trustee to secure the Hedge Counterparty's obligations under the Hedge Agreement, in an amount and of the type specified under the relevant Hedge Agreement (which such Hedge Agreement shall specify that the sufficiency of collateral to be posted shall be subject to Rating Confirmation by S&P); provided that the Hedge Counterparty shall, at the time such collateral is first posted, deliver to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Rating Agencies an Opinion of Counsel of nationally recognized standing in the jurisdiction in which the Hedge Counterparty is incorporated confirming that such collateral will be available in a timely manner upon a bankruptcy of the Hedge Counterparty;

(ii) obtain a guarantor that has a short-term debt rating by S&P of not less than "A-1" and otherwise has the Required Rating, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition; or

(iii) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has the Required Rating, subject to the satisfaction of the Rating Condition.

provided that failure to take any such steps set forth under paragraphs (i) through (iii) above within 30 days shall be treated as an "Additional Termination Event" under such Hedge Agreement.

(d) If at any time the Hedge Counterparty has (x) no short-term Moody's rating and a long-term Moody's that is below "A3" or (y) both a short-term and long-term Moody's rating and either the long-term Moody's rating that is below "A3" or the short-term Moody's rating that is below "P-2", then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, at its sole expense, to, within the applicable period specified in the related Hedge Agreement, either:

(i) obtain a guarantor that has the Required Rating, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition; or

(ii) replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty that has the Required Rating, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition;

provided that failure to take any such steps set forth under paragraphs (i) and (ii) above shall be treated as an "Additional Termination Event" under such Hedge Agreement.

(e) If at any time the Hedge Counterparty has a long-term unsecured debt rating by S&P below "BBB-", then the Hedge Counterparty shall be required, within 10 days, to replace itself under the related or substantially equivalent Hedge Agreement with a substitute Hedge Counterparty



that has the Required Rating, subject to satisfaction of the Rating Condition; provided that failure to do so shall be treated as an "Additional Termination Event" under such Hedge Agreement.

(f) Whenever the Issuer enters into a Hedge Agreement, the Hedge Counterparty thereto shall comply with the then currently applicable rating criteria of each Rating Agency from time to time.

(g) If the Issuer has the right under a Hedge Agreement at any time to demand that the related Hedge Counterparty deliver Eligible Collateral in accordance with an Approved Credit Support Document, the Issuer shall make the demand.

(h) Any payments required to be made under the Hedge Agreements shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Subordinated Defaulted Hedge Termination Payments shall be subordinate to interest and principal payments on the Notes and any other payments required to be made by the Issuer under the Hedge Agreements, but senior to distributions to Holders of the Preference Shares.

(i) Except as provided in paragraph (i) of this Section 15.2, the Issuer, at the direction of the Servicer, shall, promptly following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) (but no later than 60 days after the early termination), and to the extent possible through application of Hedge Termination Receipts, enter into a Replacement Hedge, unless, in the exercise of the Servicer's commercially reasonable judgment, to do so would not be in the best interest of the Issuer and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the non-entry into the a Replacement Hedge. In addition, a Replacement Hedge may not be entered into unless the Issuer provides the Rating Agencies with at least seven Business Days' prior written notice of its intention to enter into the agreement, together with its form and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the Replacement Hedge. The Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than a termination resulting from the bankruptcy, insolvency, or similar event with respect to the Hedge Counterparty) to become effective simultaneously with its entering into a Replacement Hedge. To the extent that (i) the Servicer determines not to replace the Hedge Agreement and the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the determination or (ii) termination is occurring on a Redemption Date, the Hedge Termination Receipts shall become part of Principal Proceeds and be distributed in accordance with Section 11.1 on the next following Payment Date (or on the Redemption Date, if the Notes are redeemed on the Redemption Date).

(j) Notwithstanding Section 15.2(i), the applicable requirements of Section 15.2(i) shall not have to be met if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is otherwise satisfied with respect thereto.

(k) The notional amounts of the Hedge Agreements outstanding at any time may be reduced or increased from time to time, by the Issuer, and the Hedge Agreements may be amended, modified or terminated in accordance with the Hedge Agreements if the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied with respect to the reduction, increase, amendment, modification or termination, as the case may be.

(l) Each Hedge Agreement may be terminated pursuant to its terms by the Hedge Counterparty upon an Optional Redemption of the Notes (but only after the applicable notice of redemption may no longer be withdrawn pursuant to Section 9.03), an acceleration of maturity of the Notes followed by the liquidation of any or all of the Collateral after an Event of Default or the entry into certain amendments to the Indenture without the consent of the Hedge Counterparty. The Hedge Agreement will not be permitted to be terminated by the Issuer as the result of a Default or

Event of Default unless any acceleration of maturity of the Notes resulting from the Event of Default is no longer permitted to be rescinded pursuant to this Indenture.

(m) Except for Hedge Agreements entered into on or before the Closing Date, the Issuer shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement unless the Rating Condition with respect to each Rating Agency is satisfied.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have set our hands as of the day and year first written above.

EXECUTED AS A DEED BY

**WESTCHESTER CLO, LTD.,**  
AS ISSUER

By:

  
Name: **Chris Marett**  
Title: **Director**

**WESTCHESTER CLO CORP.,**  
AS CO-ISSUER

By:

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

**INVESTORS BANK & TRUST COMPANY,**  
AS TRUSTEE AND AS CUSTODIAN

By:

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Name:  
Title:

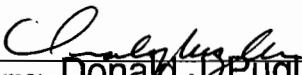
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AS ISSUER

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Name:  
Title:

**WESTCHESTER CLO CORP.,**  
AS CO-ISSUER

By:   
Name: Donald J. Puglisi  
Title: President

**INVESTORS BANK & TRUST COMPANY,**  
AS TRUSTEE AND AS CUSTODIAN

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

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AS CO-ISSUER

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Name:  
Title:

**INVESTORS BANK & TRUST COMPANY,**  
AS TRUSTEE AND AS CUSTODIAN

By:   
Name: **Brian Peterson**  
Title: **Director**

[Indenture]

## **EXHIBIT TTT**

## PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENCY AGREEMENT

As of May 31, 2007

Investors Bank & Trust Company,  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent  
Corporate Trust Office – Westchester CLO, Ltd.  
200 Clarendon Street  
Mailcode: EUC 108  
Boston, MA 02116

Maples Finance Limited,  
as Share Registrar  
P.O. Box 1093GT, Queensgate House  
South Church Street, George Town  
Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Westchester CLO, Ltd., a company existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the “**Issuer**”) and Westchester CLO Corp., a Delaware corporation (the “**Co-Issuer**” and, together with the Issuer, the “**Co-Issuers**”), have resolved to appoint Investors Bank & Trust Company (“**Investors Bank**”), as preference shares paying agent (the “**Preference Shares Paying Agent**”) for the Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares issued by the Issuer (collectively, the “**Preference Shares**”) and Maples Finance Limited as share registrar (the “**Share Registrar**”) for the shares (including the Preference Shares) issued by the Issuer. The Issuer hereby appoints Investors Bank as such under the terms set forth below and confirms Investor Bank’s agreement to distribute any funds to be paid to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Priority of Payments set forth in the Indenture (as defined herein). Reference is also made to the indenture, dated as of May 31, 2007, among the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and Investors Bank, as trustee (the “**Indenture**”). Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings assigned thereto in the Indenture or, if not defined therein, certain resolutions passed at a meeting of the Issuer’s Board of Directors that was held on May 30, 2007, as reflected in the minutes thereof, including Annex A (“**Annex A**”) therein (the “**Resolutions**” and, together with this Agreement and the Issuer’s Memorandum and Articles of Association, the “**Preference Share Documents**”). The Preference Shares will be issued, and may be transferred, subject to the procedures set forth in Annex A to the Resolutions the terms of which are incorporated hereto.

On the Closing Date, (i) all of the Class I Preference Shares will be offered and sold directly by the Issuer to Lehman Brothers Inc. and Lehman Brothers International (Europe) (together, the “**Initial Purchasers**”), and (ii) all of the Class II Preference Shares will be offered and sold by the Issuer directly to Highland Financial Partners, L.P. (“**HFP**”) (an Affiliate of the Servicer) and/or one or more of its subsidiaries.

Section 1. Notice of Distribution to Directors. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, promptly after receipt of the Valuation Report, shall forward or make available to the directors of the Issuer (as identified to it by the Issuer) the Valuation Report which identifies the Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds, payable to the Holders of the Preference Shares on the applicable Payment Date.

Section 2. Payments of Dividends and Other Distributions, Amounts Not Distributable. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, subject to paragraphs (b), (c), (d) and (e)

below, pay or cause to be paid, on behalf of the Issuer on each applicable Payment Date, the Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds received from the Trustee to the Holders of the Preference Shares as a distribution of dividend on such Payment Date. Such distributions of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds by way of dividend to the Holders of Preference Shares shall be paid *pro rata* in the proportion that the number of Preference Shares held by each such Holder bears to the total number of Preference Shares. The Issuer, or the Share Registrar on its behalf, shall provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with a copy of the Preference Share register on the Closing Date and thereafter, the Share Registrar will promptly notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent of any changes to the Preference Share register. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall notify the Issuer and the Share Registrar of any transfers of Preference Shares known to it.

(b) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, distributions of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds by way of dividend to the Holders of Preference Shares on any Payment Date shall (i) be subject to the Issuer being solvent under Cayman Islands law (defined as the Issuer being able to pay its debts as they become due in the ordinary course of business) immediately prior to, and after giving effect to, such payment as determined by the Issuer and (ii) be made only to the extent that the Issuer has sufficient distributable profits and/or share premium out of which to make such payment as determined by the Issuer. If the Issuer determines that the conditions set forth in either clause (i) or (ii) above are not satisfied with respect to any portion of Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds payable on such Payment Date, the Issuer shall instruct the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing not later than one Business Day prior to such Payment Date that such portion of Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds, as applicable, should not be paid, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not pay the same, to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the first succeeding Payment Date, or (in the case of any payments which would otherwise be payable on the Redemption Date or any Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date) until the first succeeding Business Day, upon which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing that each such condition is satisfied, at which time the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall distribute such amounts. To the extent available, distributions shall be made first out of distributable profits for the current Due Period, then out of distributable profits in excess of dividends for prior Due Periods and then out of share premium.

(c) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, distributions of the Redemption Price by way of redemption of the Preference Shares shall be subject to the Issuer being solvent under Cayman Islands law (defined as the Issuer being able to pay its debts as they become due in the ordinary course of business) immediately prior to, and after giving effect to, such distribution as determined by the Issuer. For purposes of this subsection (c), a determination as to whether the Issuer is solvent on the Redemption Date shall be made by the Issuer (A) after giving effect to any payments to be made on such Redemption Date and (B) in light of the fact that the obligations of the Issuer to the Holders of the Notes, the other Secured Parties and the other Persons subject to the Priority of Payments are limited in recourse to the Collateral, and not to amounts (i) in the Preference Shares Distribution Account, (ii) any other amounts released from the Collateral in accordance with the Indenture and held by or on behalf of the Issuer for the benefit of the Holders of the Preference Shares or (iii) amounts on deposit in the Issuer's bank account in the Cayman Islands, and that after the assets in the Collateral are exhausted, such parties will have no further claim against the Issuer. If the Issuer determines that such condition is not satisfied on a Redemption Date with respect to any portion of the Redemption Price, the Issuer shall instruct the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing not later than one Business Day prior to such Redemption Date that such portion should not be distributed, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not distribute the same, to the Holders of the Preference Shares until the first succeeding Business Day upon which the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing that such condition is satisfied, and the amounts so retained in the Preference Shares Distribution Account will be held therein until such amounts are paid.



(d) On each Payment Date, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall distribute, on behalf of the Issuer, amounts, if any, received by it from the Trustee, which are then on deposit in the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account pursuant to Section 10.3(j) of the Indenture for payment *pro rata* to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as the Class II Preference Share Special Payment.

(e) Dividends to the Holders of the Preference Shares (other than Class II Preference Share Special Payments) may be paid, in whole or in part on any Payment Date, with any Eligible Equity Securities held by, or on behalf of, the Issuer at such time in lieu of a distribution of Interest Proceeds. The Servicer, on behalf the Issuer, shall have the right to direct the Trustee to distribute any Eligible Equity Securities *pro rata* to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares (as identified to the Trustee by the Preference Shares Paying Agent) with respect to such Payment Date to the extent that the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) is equal to or lower than the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that would otherwise be due and payable on such Payment Date to such Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares. Interest Proceeds in an amount equal to the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities (determined by the Servicer as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date) distributed to the Consenting Holders of the Preference Shares with respect to any such Payment Date shall be treated for all purposes by the Issuer and the Servicer as Principal Proceeds available for distribution on the relevant Payment Date. The amount of Interest Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be reduced and the amount of Principal Proceeds available on the relevant Payment Date shall be increased accordingly.

(f) Anything in this Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding, the Holders of the Preference Shares acknowledge and agree for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes that the rights of the Holders of the Preference Shares to distributions by the Issuer and in and to the assets of the Issuer in respect of such Preference Shares, shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes, to the extent and in the manner set forth in the Indenture including as set forth in Section 11.1 thereof and as required by law. If any Event of Default has occurred and has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs in accordance with Article V of the Indenture, the Notes shall be paid in full in Cash before any further payment or distribution is made on account of the Preference Shares. The Holders of the Preference Shares agree, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes, not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer for failure to pay to them amounts due under the Articles or hereunder in respect of the Preference Shares or payable under the Indenture prior to the date which is one year and one day (or, if longer, the applicable preference period) after the payment in full of principal of and interest on the Notes.

(g) In the event that notwithstanding the provisions of this Agreement or the Indenture, any Holder of any Preference Shares shall have received any payment or distribution in respect of such Preference Shares contrary to the provisions of this Agreement, the Articles or the Indenture, then, unless and until (i) the Class A-1-A Notes, (ii) the Class A-1-B Notes, (iii) the Class B Notes, (iv) the Class C Notes, (v) the Class D Notes and (vi) the Class E Notes shall have been paid in full in Cash in accordance with the Indenture, such payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, for payment and delivery of the same to the Holders of the Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes, as the case may be, in accordance with the Indenture; provided, however, that if any such payment or distribution is made other than in Cash, it shall be paid over and delivered to the Trustee such that it may be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral pursuant to, and subject in all respects to, the provisions of the Indenture, including Section 13.1 thereof.

Section 3. Payments and Redemption. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall make payments or distributions (other than distributions of Eligible Equity Securities) to each registered Holder on the relevant Record Date (as set out in Annex A to the Resolutions) by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a U.S. Dollar account maintained by such Holder as notified to the Preference Shares Paying Agent or, in the absence of such notification, by U.S. Dollar check mailed to such Holder at its address of record. The Issuer shall, or shall procure that the Share Registrar will, provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with all relevant information regarding the registered Holders of the Preference Shares as the Preference Shares Paying Agent may reasonably require to the extent such information is in possession or control of the Issuer or Share Registrar.

(b) If the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, desires to make distributions of Eligible Equity Securities on any Payment Date in lieu of Interest Proceeds that are otherwise available for distribution to the Holders of Preference Shares on such Payment Date pursuant to the Priority Payments as described in Section 2(e) above, the Servicer will notify the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Servicing Agreement not later than 20 calendar days prior to such Payment Date and provide the Trustee, the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding on the Record Date or promptly thereafter, but in no event later than two Business Days after the Record Date, to each Holder of the Preference Shares registered as such on the Record Date for such Payment Date) with (i) details of the Eligible Equity Securities to be distributed, (ii) the Market Value of such Eligible Equity Securities determined as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date, (iii) any other information considered necessary by the Servicer in connection with such proposed distribution and (iv) any information as otherwise required by the Trustee and/or the Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such proposed distribution. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall then mail such materials, within two Business Days of its receipt thereof from the Servicer, to each registered Holder of Preference Shares on the Record Date for such Payment Date along with a form of notice and consent (in a form attached hereto in Schedule I) seeking the written consent of each such Holder of Preference Shares to distribute such Eligible Equity Securities to such Holder in lieu of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date. Each Holder of the Preference Shares wishing to receive such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of a distribution of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such applicable Payment Date (each such Holder with respect to such Payment Date, a “**Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares**”) is required to deliver to the Preference Shares Paying Agent a written consent (which consent will be irrevocable) no later than five Business Days prior to such Payment Date. If any Holder of Preference Shares does not timely deliver its written consent to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in the manner set forth in such notice indicating its consent to the receipt of such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of a distribution of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder on such Payment Date, such Holder shall be deemed to have not given its consent and shall not be a Consenting Holder of Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. On each applicable Payment Date (or as soon thereafter as reasonably practicable), Eligible Equity Securities shall be distributed *pro rata* to each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares with respect to such Payment Date. Each Holder of Preference Shares that is not a Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares (and, for the avoidance of doubt, each Consenting Holder of the Preference Shares to the extent the Market Value as of the relevant Market Value Determination Date of the *pro rata* portion of Eligible Equity Securities distributed to it on such Payment Date is less than the *pro rata* portion of the Interest Proceeds that it would have received on such Payment Date had the Eligible Equity Securities not been distributed on such Payment Date) on any applicable Payment Date shall receive a distribution of Interest Proceeds to the extent available in accordance with the Priority of Payments on such Payment Date in accordance with Section 2(e) herein and the Indenture.

(c) The Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be obligated to pay any additional amounts to Holders or beneficial owners of the Preference Shares as a result of any withholding or deduction for, or on account of, any present or future taxes, duties, assessments or

governmental charges. As a condition to payment of any amount, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, may require certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments or distributions in respect of Preference Shares under any present or future law or regulation of the United States or any present or future law or regulation of any political subdivision thereof or taxing authority therein or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under such law or regulation. Amounts properly withheld under the Code by any Person from a payment or distribution to a Holder of Preference Shares shall be considered as having been paid by the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent to such Holder for all purposes herein. The Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereby provide notice to each Holder or beneficial owner of the Preference Shares that the failure to provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with appropriate tax certifications will result in amounts being withheld from payments to such Holders or beneficial owners of the Preference Shares under this Agreement (provided that amounts withheld pursuant to applicable tax laws shall be considered as having been paid by the Issuer as provided herein).

(d) The Issuer, the Share Registrar and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem and treat the Holder of any Preference Shares as the absolute owner of such Preference Shares, notwithstanding any notation of ownership or other writing on any certificate representing such Preference Shares, for the purpose of paying dividends and other distributions thereon, and for all other purposes, and none of the Issuer, the Share Registrar or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be affected by any notice to the contrary. All such payments (including distributions of Eligible Equity Securities) so made to such Holder or upon such Holder's order shall be valid and, to the extent of the sum or sums so paid, effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability for the monies payable upon any such Preference Share.

(e) All payments by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder shall be made without charging any commission or fee to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

(f) On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Issuer shall redeem the Preference Shares for a redemption price equal to all amounts distributable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Priority of Payments set forth in the Indenture, unless the Preference Shares have been redeemed earlier through an optional redemption or otherwise. Upon final payment due on the Preference Shares (whether on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date or any earlier Redemption Date), the Holder thereof shall present and surrender the certificates, if any, representing the Preference Shares at the office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent on or prior to such final payment date. On the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, all payments on redemption of Preference Shares to the Holders of the Preference Shares shall be made *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings.

Notice of final payment of the Preference Shares pursuant to an optional redemption in conjunction with an optional redemption of the Notes shall be given as set forth in Section 9.3 of the Indenture. Notice of any other final payment shall be given by the Preference Shares Paying Agent by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than 10 Business Days nor earlier than 30 days before the applicable Redemption Date to each Holder of Preference Shares at such Holder's address as set forth in the Preference Share register.

All notices of redemption shall state:

(i) the Redemption Date on which the Preference Shares are to be redeemed;

(ii) the applicable Redemption Price for the Preference Shares being redeemed;

(iii) the place or places where such Preference Shares to be redeemed are to be surrendered for payment of the applicable Redemption Price, which shall be the office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent; and

(iv) in the case of an optional redemption, the latest possible date upon which such notice of redemption may be withdrawn.

The Issuer shall have the option to withdraw any such notice of redemption up to the fourth Business Day before the scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Trustee, the Servicer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) in each case only if either (i) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) of the Indenture, the Servicer does not deliver the sale agreement or certifications required under the Indenture (as described in Section 9.3(c) and 12.1(f) of the Indenture), as the case may be, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, (ii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(a) or Section 9.2(b)(i) of the Indenture, the Issuer receives the written direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption and (iii) in the case of a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(ii) of the Indenture, the Issuer receives the unanimous written direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares to withdraw the notice of redemption (and the Issuer thereby agrees for the benefit of the directing person to withdraw the applicable notice of redemption if it receives the written direction referred to in the preceding clause (ii) or this clause (iii)). Notice of any such withdrawal shall be delivered pursuant to Section 9.3 of the Indenture.

Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Preference Shares.

(g) On any Payment Date on or after payment in full of the Notes, so long as all administrative fees and expenses and other fees (without regard to any payment limitations) payable under the Priority of Payments (including the Senior Servicing Fee and the Subordinated Servicing Fee), all amounts owing under the Indenture and all amounts owing under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement to any Hedge Counterparty have been discharged:

(i) at the direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all of the Preference Shares, in an aggregate amount equal to all of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of all of the remaining Collateral less any fees and expenses owed by the Issuer (including the Redemption Price of any Notes being simultaneously redeemed), the aggregate amount to be distributed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares *pro rata* in accordance with their respective holdings; or

(ii) at the unanimous direction of the Holders of the Preference Shares, voting as a single Class or group, the Issuer shall cause the Trustee to make payments in redemption of all or a directed portion (representing less than all) of the Preference Shares to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for distribution to the Holders of the Preference Shares based upon such direction.

(h) If any Holder of Preference Shares desires to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Notes in accordance with Section 9.2(a) of the Indenture, such Holder shall notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Servicer not later than 45 days before the

Payment Date on which the redemption is to be made. If the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee and the Issuer receive notice from one or more Holders of Preference Shares holding less than a Majority of the Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, within five Business Days of receipt of such notice, notify the Holders of the Preference Shares (i) of the receipt of such notice and (ii) that any Holder of Preference Shares may join in directing an optional redemption by notifying the Issuer, the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing within five Business Days after such Holder's receipt of the Preference Shares Paying Agent's Notice. If the Holders of at least a Majority of the Preference Shares direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Notes, the Issuer shall effect an Optional Redemption of the Notes pursuant to the procedures described in the Indenture.

(i) If any Holder of Preference Shares desires to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares after the redemption or repayment of the Notes and in accordance with paragraphs (g)(i) and (ii) above, such Holder shall notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent not later than 30 Business Days (or with the Servicer's consent, not later than 20 Business Days) prior to the proposed Redemption Date (which must be a Payment Date). Upon receiving such notice, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall promptly (and in no event later than two Business Days thereafter) notify the Issuer and each Holder of the Preference Shares thereof. Each Holder of Preference Shares that also wishes to direct the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares must so notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent (who shall promptly notify the Issuer and the Servicer of such direction) within 20 Business Days after receipt of such notice. If the aggregate number of Preference Shares that have directed the Issuer to optionally redeem the Preference Shares equals or exceeds the minimum threshold set forth in paragraphs (g)(i) and (ii) above, the Issuer shall effect an optional redemption of the Preference Shares pursuant to the procedures described in the Preference Share Documents. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Preference Shares must be redeemed on or prior to the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. The Preference Shares shall be redeemed from the proceeds of any Collateral remaining after giving effect to the redemption or repayment of the Notes and payment in full of all expenses of the Co-Issuers.

(j) If the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, proposes a Refinancing in accordance with Section 9.7(a) of the Indenture by notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall promptly upon receipt of such notice (and in no event later than two Business Days thereafter) notify each Holder of Preference Shares thereof. Each Holder of Preference Shares that wishes to consent to such Refinancing will deliver such consent to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in writing no later than 15 days prior to the Refinancing Date. Upon receipt of such consents, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall immediately notify the Servicer whether or not the Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares have consented to such Refinancing.

Section 4. Preference Shares Distribution Account. (a) On or prior to the Closing Date, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing trust account that shall be designated as the "Preference Shares Distribution Account" (the "**Preference Shares Distribution Account**") that shall be held in trust in the name of the Preference Shares Paying Agent for the benefit of the Issuer, over which the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have exclusive control and the sole right of withdrawal. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall cause the Trustee to make any payment pursuant to the Priority of Payments by wire transfer (or by internal transfer if the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent are the same Person) to the Preference Shares Distribution Account in immediately available funds. All sums received by the Preference Shares Paying Agent from the Trustee or the Issuer for payment of dividends or other distributions (other than the Class II Preference Share Special Payments) or the Redemption Price in respect of the Preference Shares shall be deposited promptly in the Preference Shares Distribution Account until the first Payment Date or, in the case of the payment of the Redemption Price in respect of the Preference Shares, the first Business Day, on which, in either case, the Issuer notifies the Preference Shares Paying Agent that such

distribution can be made to the Holders of the Preference Shares in accordance with Section 2. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall then apply such funds as provided for in Section 3. All sums payable by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder shall be paid out of the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

(b) Notwithstanding anything herein, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not incur any personal liability to pay amounts due to Holders of the Preference Shares and shall only be required to make payments or other distributions (including the Redemption Price thereof) if there are sufficient monies in the Preference Shares Distribution Account to make such payments or other distributions.

(c) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no right of set off with respect to amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account.

(d) Amounts on deposit in the Preference Shares Distribution Account that are not paid out may be deposited in an interest-bearing account as directed in writing by the Issuer.

Section 5. Unclaimed Payments. Except as otherwise required by applicable law, any money deposited with the Preference Shares Paying Agent and held in the Preference Shares Distribution Account or otherwise held for payment on any Preference Share and remaining unclaimed for two years after such payment has become due and payable shall be paid to the Issuer upon Issuer Request; and the Holder of such Preference Share shall thereafter look only to the Issuer for payment of such amounts and all liability of the Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such money (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Issuer) shall thereupon cease. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, before being required to make any such release of payment, may, but shall not be required to, adopt and employ, at the expense of the Issuer any reasonable means of notification of such release of payment, including, but not limited to, arranging with the Share Registrar for the Share Registrar to mail notice of such release to Holders of Preference Shares whose right to or interest in monies due and payable but not claimed is determinable from the records of the Issuer or Preference Shares Paying Agent, as applicable, at the last address of record of each such Holder.

Section 6. Additional Issuance of Preference Shares. (a) At any time during the Replacement Period, the Issuer may issue and sell additional Preference Shares and use the proceeds from such issuance and sale to purchase additional Collateral Obligations or as otherwise permitted under the Preference Share Documents and the Indenture; provided that the following conditions are met: (i) the terms of the Preference Shares issued shall be identical to the terms of previously issued Preference Shares and (ii) the net proceeds of any additional Preference Shares shall be used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations. Such additional Preference Shares may be offered and sold at prices that differ from the initial offering prices of the outstanding Preference Shares; provided that the initial offering prices of additional Preference Shares shall not be below 100% of the face amount thereof. The Issuer shall cause purchases of additional Preference Shares made pursuant to an additional issuance of Preference Shares to comply individually and in the aggregate with the applicable purchase and transfer restrictions for the Preference Shares set forth herein in Section 9 and all applicable laws, rules and regulations (including, without limitation, any rules, regulations and procedures of any securities exchange, self-regulatory organization or clearing agency).

(b) Any additional Preference Shares issued shall, to the extent reasonably practicable, be offered by the Issuer first to the existing Holders of the Preference Shares, in such amounts as are necessary to preserve their *pro rata* holdings of the Preference Shares.

Section 7. Purchase and Redesignation of Preference Shares. (a) Each Holder or beneficial owner of a Preference Share, by its ownership of such Preference Share, acknowledges and agrees that each Non-Consenting Holder of Preference Shares with respect to an amendment of the Indenture (which includes Holders that fail to respond to a consent solicitation within the applicable period) will be forced to sell its applicable Preference Shares pursuant to Section 9.6 of the Indenture, whereby the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser is permitted to purchase the Preference Shares held by any such Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; provided that if any Non-Consenting Holder holds Class II Preference Shares, such Non-Consenting Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser, and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares.

(b) Each Holder or beneficial owner of a Preference Share will have the right to sell such Preference Share to an Extension Qualifying Purchaser upon a Maturity Extension pursuant to Section 2.4 of the Indenture at the applicable Extension Purchase Price and absent such sale shall be subject to an extension of the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date as set forth in the Indenture and the other aspects of a Maturity Extension under the Indenture; provided that if any Non-Consenting Holder holds Class II Preference Shares, such Non-Consenting Holder will sell such Class II Preference Shares to the Extension Qualifying Purchaser, and such Preference Shares will be redesignated as Class I Preference Shares.

(c) The Share Registrar will record in the register maintained by it those Preference Shares which it has been notified in writing are held by HFP or any of its subsidiaries. Such Preference Shares shall be designated by the Share Registrar on behalf of the Issuer as Class II Preference Shares. The Share Registrar on behalf of the Issuer will redesignate (i) Class II Preference Shares as Class I Preference Shares upon any transfer of such Class II Preference Shares by HFP or any of its subsidiaries to any Person other than HFP or any of its subsidiaries and (ii) Class I Preference Shares as Class II Preference Shares upon any transfer of Class I Preference Shares to HFP or any of its subsidiaries.

Section 8. Execution, Delivery and Dating. The certificates (if required by the Resolutions) relating to the Preference Shares shall be executed on behalf of the Issuer as provided for in the Memorandum and Articles of Association.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Agreement, the Issuer may deliver Preference Share certificates (the “**Preference Share Certificates**”) executed by the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent, upon Issuer Order, shall deliver such Preference Share Certificates as provided in this Agreement and not otherwise.

Each Preference Share Certificate delivered by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to or upon Issuer Order on the Closing Date shall be dated the Closing Date. All other Preference Share Certificates that are delivered after the Closing Date for any other purpose under this Agreement shall be dated the date of their delivery.

Section 9. Registration and Registration of Transfer. (a) When the Preference Shares Paying Agent receives a request for transfer of Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall comply with its obligations as set forth in Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions.

(b) No transfer of the Preference Shares shall be registered if such transfer will result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors (as defined below) owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of either the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such transfer (excluding for purposes of such determination any Preference Shares held by any Controlling Person (as defined below) and its affiliates (such as the

Preference Shares held by the Servicer or its affiliates) that is not also a Benefit Plan Investor) determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA and the Plan Asset Regulation issued by the United States Department of Labor and found at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 (the “**Plan Asset Regulation**”). Each purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share will be required to represent and agree whether or not such purchaser is, or is using the assets of, or will at any time throughout its holding and disposition of such Preference Share be or become, (i) an “employee benefit plan” as defined in Section 3(3) of the United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“**ERISA**”), that is subject to Title I of ERISA, (ii) a “plan” described in Section 4975(c)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “**Code**”), that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code or (iii) any entity whose underlying assets include “plan assets” of any of the foregoing by reason of an investment in the entity by such a plan or arrangement (each, a “**Benefit Plan Investor**”). In addition, each purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share (other than the Servicer or its affiliates) will be required to represent and agree whether or not it is, or is using the assets of, or will at any time throughout its holding and disposition of such Preference Share be or become the Servicer or any other person that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer or any “affiliate” (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) or any such person (any such person, a “**Controlling Person**”). If, after a purchaser’s or transferee’s initial acquisition of Preference Shares, the purchaser or transferee determines or the Issuer, the Share Registrar or the Preference Shares Paying Agent obtain actual knowledge that such purchaser or transferee has breached any of the foregoing representations, such purchaser or transferee will dispose of its interest in the Preference Shares in a manner consistent with the requirements set forth in Annex A to the Resolutions. Each purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share will be required to represent that either (i) it is not, and is not acquiring such Preference Share with the assets of, an “employee benefit plan” as defined under Section 3(3) of ERISA and that is subject to Title I of ERISA, any “plan” described in Section 4975(e) of the Code or a foreign, governmental or church plan subject to any federal, state, local or foreign law that is substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (each such plan, a “**Covered Plan**”) and throughout the holding of such Preference Share, it will not become or transfer its interest to any Covered Plan or to an entity using the assets thereof, or (ii) the acquisition and holding of such Preference Share by the purchaser or transferee, throughout its holding and disposition of such Preference Share, will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (or, in the case of a foreign, governmental or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar law), because such purchase, holding and disposition either (x) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (y) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all of the conditions of which are and will be satisfied upon its acquisition of, and throughout its holding and disposition of, such Preference Share. Each purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share will be required to represent and agree that it will not transfer such Preference Share in violation of any of the foregoing representations and agreements, that any purported transfer that does not comply with such representations and agreements will be null and void *ab initio* and will vest in the transferee no rights against the Preference Shares Paying Agent or the Issuer, and that such purchaser or transferee, as applicable, and any fiduciary or other Person causing it to acquire such Preference Share shall, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Share Paying Agent, the Servicer, the Share Registrar, the Initial Purchasers, and their respective affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of any transfer in violation of any of the foregoing.

(c) The Preference Shares Paying Agent agrees that, after the initial distribution of the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares, neither it nor any of its affiliates will acquire any Class E Notes or Preference Shares (including pursuant to a Maturity Extension or the Amendment Buy-Out Option) unless such acquisition would not, as determined by the Trustee, result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of any of the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares immediately



after such acquisition (determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA, the Plan Asset Regulation, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents). The Class E Notes and the Preference Shares held by the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any of its affiliates (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% limitation to the extent that such person has represented that it is not a Benefit Plan Investor.

(d) Notwithstanding anything else contained herein to the contrary, neither the Preference Shares Paying Agent nor the Share Registrar shall be responsible for ascertaining whether any purchase or transfer complies with the registration provisions of or exemptions from the Securities Act, applicable state laws, the Code, ERISA, the Plan Asset Regulation or the Investment Company Act; provided that if a certificate or other written representation is specifically required by the express terms of this Agreement or Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions to be delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by the purchaser or transferee of a Preference Share, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine whether the same substantially conforms on its face with the terms of this Agreement or Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions, as applicable, and shall promptly notify the party delivering the same if such certificate does not comply with such terms.

(e) The Issuer shall (and shall cause the Share Registrar to) consult the Preference Shares Paying Agent in connection with all transfers of Preference Shares and shall (and shall cause the Share Registrar to) direct all transferors and transferees to correspond through the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Share Registrar will not be required to determine whether any proposed transfer, redemption or other transaction in relation to the Preference Shares complies with any restrictions imposed by law or under the terms of the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents but shall be entitled to rely completely in that respect on the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

(f) Except as expressly provided herein or as required by this Agreement in connection with the Preference Shares Paying Agent's obligations to the Holders of Preference Shares, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no obligation to oversee or participate in any such transfer of Preference Shares.

Section 10. Fees and Indemnification. The fee to be paid in connection with the Preference Shares Paying Agent's appointment and duties as Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be paid pursuant to a letter agreement dated May 31, 2007 between the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Servicer, and the Issuer. The fees payable hereunder shall be paid by the Issuer to the Preference Shares Paying Agent's account as directed by the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Issuer will indemnify the Preference Shares Paying Agent and its officers, directors, employees and agents, against any loss, liability or expense (including reasonable legal fees and out-of-pocket expenses of counsel) incurred in connection with their appointment and duties hereunder, except such as result from their own gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Preference Shares Paying Agent agrees that such fees and indemnification shall be treated as an Administrative Expense of the Issuer as defined in the Indenture and paid pursuant to the Priority of Payments. Anything in this Agreement notwithstanding, in no event shall the Preference Shares Paying Agent be liable for special, indirect or consequential losses or damages of any kind whatsoever (including but not limited to loss of profits), even if the Preference Shares Paying Agent has been advised of such loss or damage and regardless of the form of action. The obligation of the Issuer to indemnify the Preference Shares Paying Agent under this Section 10 shall survive retirement of the Preference Shares and any resignation or removal of the Preference Shares Paying Agent but shall remain subject to the provisions of Section 23.

Section 11. Liabilities. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be responsible or accountable to anyone for any reason whatsoever with respect to the validity of this Agreement or of the Preference Shares, or for any act done or omitted by it in good faith, or for anything whatsoever in connection with this Agreement, except for its own gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct in the performance of any duty to be performed by the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder.

(b) The Preference Shares Paying Agent may consult as to legal matters with lawyers selected with due care by it, who may be employees of or regular independent counsel to the Issuer, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be protected from and shall incur no liability for action taken, or suffered to be taken, with respect to such matters in good faith and in accordance with the opinion or advice of such lawyers.

(c) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be protected from and shall incur no liability for or in respect of any action taken or thing suffered by it in reliance upon any Preference Shares, notice, direction, consent, certificate, affidavit, statement or other paper or document reasonably believed by it to be genuine and to have been delivered or signed by the proper parties, except as may result from its own gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct or that of its directors, officers, employees or agents.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be under any liability for interest on any money at any time received by it pursuant to any of the provisions of this Agreement, except as otherwise agreed in writing with the Issuer.

(e) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not incur any liability with respect to the validity or value of any of the Preference Shares unless otherwise specified herein.

Section 12. Conflicts. (a) The Preference Shares Paying Agent and its officers, directors and employees may, subject to the restrictions set forth in Section 9(c), become the Holder of, or acquire any interest in, any Preference Shares, with the same rights that it or they would have if it were not the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder, or they were not such officers, directors, or employees, and may engage or be interested in any fiscal or other transaction with the Issuer and may act on, or as depository, trustee or agent for, any committee or body of Holders of Preference Shares or other indebtedness of the Issuer as freely as if it were not the Preference Shares Paying Agent hereunder or they were not such officers, directors, or employees.

(b) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be obliged to perform such duties and only such duties as are specifically set forth herein, and no implied duties or obligations shall be read into this Agreement or the Indenture against the Preference Shares Paying Agent. Except for Section 5 of Annex A to the Resolutions (to the extent they do not contradict this Agreement), the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have no duties under Annex A to the Resolutions. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be under any obligation to take any action hereunder that may tend to involve it in any expenses or liability, the payment of which within a reasonable time is not, in its reasonable opinion, assured to it. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall not be accountable or under any duty or responsibility in case of any default of which the Preference Shares Paying Agent has knowledge by the Issuer in the performance of its obligations contained in the Memorandum and Articles of Association and Annex A to the Resolutions (including, without limitation, any duty or responsibility to initiate or attempt to initiate any proceedings at law or otherwise or to make any demand for payment upon the Issuer).

(c) In acting under this Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agent is acting solely as agent of the Issuer and does not assume any obligations to, or relationship of agency or trust for or with any of the owners or Holders of the Preference Shares. All funds held by the Preference Shares Paying Agent for payment on the Preference Shares shall be held in trust for the Issuer, until paid.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall, as between itself and the Holders of the Preference Shares, with respect to all the obligations, powers, authorities and discretions, vested in it hereunder and under the Memorandum and Articles of Association and the Resolutions, have absolute and uncontrolled discretion as to the exercise thereof whether in relation to the manner or as to the mode of and time for the exercise thereof and, in the absence of gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct on its part or that of its officers, directors or employees shall be in no way responsible for any loss, costs, damages or inconvenience that may result from the exercise or non-exercise thereof.

Section 13. Amendment. (a) This Agreement may be amended by the parties hereto, without the consent of the Holders of any Preference Shares, for the purpose of curing any ambiguity, or of curing, correcting or supplementing any defective provision contained herein, or in regard to matters or questions arising under this Agreement as the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent may deem necessary or desirable and which shall not materially adversely affect the interests of Holders of the Preference Shares; provided that, Sections 2(f) and (g) of this Agreement may not be amended without the consent of the Majority of the Controlling Class. In addition, this Agreement may be amended without the consent of any Holders of the Preference Shares and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Preference Shares in order to prevent the Issuer from becoming an “investment company” as defined in the Investment Company Act or to better assure compliance with the requirements of Rule 3a-7 and/or to remove transfer restrictions and other requirements relating to Section 3(c)(7); provided that, as a condition to the effectiveness of any such supplemental indenture, each of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Servicer shall have received a customary opinion of counsel (which may be supported as to factual matters by any relevant certificates or other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such opinion) from a nationally recognized law firm providing that, after giving effect to such amendment, the Issuer is exempt from registration as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 3a-7.

(b) Unless otherwise as set forth in subsection (a) above, this Agreement may be amended with the consent of Holders of a Majority of the Preference Shares materially and adversely affected thereby.

(c) Any amendment to this Agreement must be in writing executed by each party hereto.

(d) The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to its duties and obligations herein) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an opinion of counsel, consent or certificate of the Issuer in determining whether or not any proposed amendment is permitted hereunder.

(e) Any amendment to this Agreement that would necessitate a change to the Memorandum and Articles of Association may only be made after a Special Resolution (as therein defined) has been passed to permit the Memorandum and Articles of Association to be altered to conform with such proposed amendment.

Section 14. Resignation or Removal of the Preference Shares Paying Agent. The Preference Shares Paying Agent may at any time resign as the Preference Shares Paying Agent, by giving written notice to the Issuer of its resignation, specifying the date on which its resignation shall become

effective (which date shall not be less than 60 days after the date on which such notice is given unless the Issuer shall agree to a shorter period). The Issuer may remove the Preference Shares Paying Agent at any time by giving written notice of not less than 60 days to the Preference Shares Paying Agent specifying the date on which such removal shall become effective. Such resignation or removal shall only take effect upon the appointment by the Issuer of a successor Preference Shares Paying Agent and upon the acceptance of such appointment by such successor Preference Shares Paying Agent; provided, however, that if the successor Preference Shares Paying Agent has not been appointed within 60 days after such notice of resignation or removal, then the Preference Shares Paying Agent, or any Holder of Preference Shares, may, on behalf of himself and others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Preference Shares Paying Agent; provided, further, that after the retirement of the Notes, if the Issuer determines that no material distributions will be paid on the Preference Shares, the Issuer may remove the Preference Shares Paying Agent at any time, by giving written notice of not less than 10 days, and assume the duties of the Preference Shares Paying Agent itself.

Section 15. Assignment. No party hereto may assign or novate any of its rights or obligations hereunder except with the prior written consent of all the parties hereto.

Section 16. Merger, Conversion, Consolidation or Succession to Business of Preference Shares Paying Agent. Any entity into which the Preference Shares Paying Agent may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any entity resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Preference Shares Paying Agent is a party, or any entity succeeding to all or substantially all of the corporate trust business of the Preference Shares Paying Agent, shall be the successor of the Preference Shares Paying Agent under this Agreement without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto.

Section 17. Reports and Notices. The Issuer hereby authorizes the Preference Shares Paying Agent to deliver or request the Trustee to deliver all Monthly Reports and Valuation Reports (each a “**Report**” and, collectively, “**Reports**”) prepared pursuant to the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver, or shall cause the Trustee to deliver a copy of any such Report to such Holders within two Business Days of receipt of any such Report. In addition, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver, or shall cause the Trustee to deliver, a copy of any other notice or information that it has received from the Trustee under the Indenture to the Holders of the Preference Shares within two Business Days of receipt of such notice and information. Any notices or information to be delivered by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Holders of the Preference Shares pursuant to this Agreement shall be delivered, in each case, (i) by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to each Holder of a Preference Share at the address appearing in the Preference Share register or (ii) with respect to delivery of the Reports, by making such Reports available via its internet website, initially located at <http://www.cdocalc.com/ibt/cdo/>. All information made available on the Preference Shares Paying Agent’s website shall be restricted and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall only provide access to such reports to those parties entitled thereto pursuant to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. In connection with providing access to its website, the Preference Shares Paying Agent may require registration and the acceptance of a disclaimer. Questions regarding the Preference Shares Paying Agent’s website may be directed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent’s customer service desk at (617) 937-5585.

Section 18. Notices. (a) All communications by or on behalf of the Issuer relating to the transfer or payment of a Preference Share or any interest therein shall be directed to the Preference Shares Paying Agent at its address set forth in clause (b)(ii) below. The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall mail any notice it receives from the Trustee (for forwarding to the Holders of the Preference Shares) to the Holders of the Preference Shares on the Business Day it receives such notice.

Where this Agreement provides for notice to Holders of the Preference Shares of any event, such notice shall be sufficiently given (unless otherwise herein expressly provided) if such notice is in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, to each Holder of the Preference Shares affected by such event, at such Holder's address as it appears on the Preference Share register, not later than the latest date, and not earlier than the earliest date, prescribed for the giving of such notice.

Neither the failure to mail such notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Holder of Preference Shares shall affect the sufficiency of such notice with respect to other Holders. Any notice that is given in the manner herein provided shall conclusively be presumed to have been duly given whether or not actually received by such Holder. Any notice to Holders of the Preference Shares provided for in this Agreement will be deemed to have been given on the date of mailing.

Where this Agreement provides for notice in any manner, such notice may be waived in writing by any Person entitled to receive such notice, either before or after the event, and such waiver shall be the equivalent of such notice.

In the event that, by reason of the suspension of the regular mail service as a result of a strike, work stoppage or similar activity, it shall be impractical to mail notice of any event to Holders of the Preference Shares when such notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this Agreement, then any manner of giving such notice as shall be satisfactory to the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be deemed to be a sufficient giving of such notice.

(b) Notices and other communications hereunder shall (except to the extent otherwise expressly provided) be in writing and shall be addressed as follows, or to such other addresses as the parties hereto shall specify from time to time:

(i) if to the Issuer:

Westchester CLO, Ltd.  
P.O. Box 1093GT, Queensgate House  
South Church Street, George Town  
Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands  
Fax: (345) 945-7100  
Attention: The Directors

(ii) if to the Preference Shares Paying Agent:

Investors Bank & Trust Company  
200 Clarendon Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Mailcode: EUC 108  
Boston, MA 02116  
Fax: (617) 351-4358  
Attention: CDO Services Group

Section 19. Covenants of the Issuer. The Issuer shall not take any action under this Agreement or the Indenture that requires the authorization, direction or consent from the Holders of the Preference Shares without obtaining such authorization, direction or consent from the Holders of the Preference Shares. It shall be the responsibility of the Issuer to satisfy the Preference Shares Paying Agent as to the compliance with the foregoing condition (on which the Preference Shares Paying Agent may rely on in good faith).

Section 20. Transfer of Issuer Ordinary Shares. For so long as any of the Preference Shares are Outstanding, the Issuer shall not agree to the transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares to U.S. Persons (as defined in the Code), and shall not transfer any such Issuer Ordinary Shares to any Person other than a Person which is a resident of the Cayman Islands.

Section 21. Certain Tax Matters. (a) On demand of the Issuer, a Holder or beneficial owner of a Preference Share will notify the Issuer whether or not the Holder or beneficial owner of such Preference Share is a United States person within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code and the name and status of such Holder or beneficial owner as an individual, partnership, corporation, or other entity and such other information as the Issuer shall reasonably request for purposes of tax reporting of the Issuer or other Holders of the Preference Shares.

(b) The Issuer will cause the Independent accountants to make a determination as to whether a Holder's investment in the Preference Shares has become a "reportable transaction" as described in Treasury Regulation Section 1.6011-4 because, after the Closing Date, the Issuer entered into a transaction whereby the Issuer recognized a significant loss or otherwise. If the Holder's investment in the Preference Shares has become such a "reportable transaction," then the Issuer shall provide to Holders of Preference Shares any information available to it which may be reasonably necessary for such Holders of Preference Shares to comply with any disclosure requirements under Section 6011 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder with respect to its investment in the Preference Shares.

(c) The Issuer will provide or cause to be provided to each Holder or beneficial owner of the Preference Shares (or its designee), upon written request therefor, any information that such Holder or beneficial owner reasonably requests to assist such Holder or beneficial owner with regard to its or its equity owners' U.S. federal income tax filing requirements.

(d) Each Holder and beneficial owner of the Preference Shares agrees to treat the Preference Shares as equity of the Issuer and the Notes as debt of the Issuer for U.S. federal, state and local income tax purposes, if applicable.

(e) The Issuer will not make an election to be treated as a partnership, and will take all necessary actions to maintain its status as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

(f) Within 90 days after December 31 of each calendar year, the Issuer shall (or shall cause its Independent accountants to) provide to each Holder of Preference Shares (i) all information that a U.S. shareholder making a "qualified electing fund" election (as defined in the Code) is required to obtain for U.S. federal income tax purposes and (ii) a "PFIC Annual Information Statement" as described in Treasury Regulation section 1.1295-1 (or any successor Treasury Regulation), including all representations and statements required by such statement, and will take any other reasonable steps necessary to facilitate such election by, and any reporting requirements of, a holder of Preference Shares. Upon request by the Independent accountants, the Share Registrar shall provide to the Independent accountants information contained in the Preference Shares register and requested by the Independent accountants to comply with this Section 21(f).

(g) The Issuer will provide, upon request of a Holder of Preference Shares, any information that such Holder reasonably requests to assist such Holder with regard to any filing requirements the Holder may have as a result of the controlled foreign corporation rules under the Code.

(h) The Issuer shall treat each purchase of Collateral Obligations as a purchase for tax, accounting and reporting purposes.

Section 22. Minimum Lots. Preference Shares must be held in minimum lots of 100 Preference Shares per investor and integral multiples of one Preference Share in excess thereof.

Section 23. Limited Recourse; No Petition. The Preference Shares Paying Agent hereby acknowledges and agrees that the Issuer's obligations hereunder will be solely the corporate obligations of the Issuer, and that the Preference Shares Paying Agent will not have any recourse to any of the directors, officers, employees, shareholders or Affiliates of the Issuer with respect to any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations in connection with any transactions contemplated hereby. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, recourse in respect of any obligations of the Issuer hereunder will be limited to the proceeds of the Collateral, paid pursuant to the Priority of Payments and on the exhaustion thereof all obligations of and all claims against the Issuer arising from this Agreement or any transactions contemplated hereby shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. The Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar, by entering into this Agreement and each Holder of a Preference Share by its acceptance of a Preference Share, hereby covenants and agrees that it will not, prior to the date which is one year and one day (or, if longer, the applicable preference period) after the payment in full of all amounts owing under the Indenture and this Agreement, institute against the Issuer, or voluntarily join in any institution against the Issuer of, any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency or liquidation proceedings, or other proceedings under any United States federal or state bankruptcy or similar law of any jurisdiction within or without the United States in connection with any obligations relating to the Preference Shares or this Agreement. The provisions of this Section 23 shall survive termination of this Agreement for any reason whatsoever.

Section 24. (a) GOVERNING LAW. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

(b) WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL. EACH OF THE ISSUER AND THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY AND ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, THE PREFERENCE SHARES OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY.

(c) Service of Process. The Issuer irrevocably appoints Investors Bank & Trust Company (the "**Process Agent**") c/o Investors Bank & Trust Company, located at 33 Maiden Lane, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10038, to receive, for it and on its behalf, service of process in any suit, action or proceeding relating to this Agreement. If for any reason the Process Agent is unable to act as such, the Issuer shall promptly notify the Preference Shares Paying Agent and within 30 days appoint a substitute process agent acceptable to the Preference Shares Paying Agent.


Section 25. Signatures. This Agreement may be signed in two or more counterparts with the same effect as if the signatures thereto and hereto were upon the same instrument. A facsimile signature shall be considered due execution and shall be binding upon the signatory thereto with the same force and effect as if the signature were an original.

Section 25. Voting. The Class I Preference Shares and the Class II Preference Shares will be identical in all respects except that the Class II Preference Shares will also be entitled, subject to any restrictions under Cayman Islands law, to the Class II Preference Share Special Payments and will have voting rights with respect to the directors of the Issuer as set forth in the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association. Unless otherwise specified herein or in the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association, Holders of Class I Preference Shares and Class II Preference Shares shall vote together as a single class.

Please indicate your acceptance of this appointment and the terms of this Agreement by signing and returning the enclosed copy of this Agreement. The Issuer by signing this Agreement confirms its agreement to the terms stated herein.

Very truly yours,

WESTCHESTER CLO, LTD.  
as Issuer

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

Name:

Title:

**Chris Marett**  
Director

Accepted and agreed to on this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2007.

INVESTORS BANK & TRUST COMPANY,  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent

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

Name

Title:



Please indicate your acceptance of this appointment and the terms of this Agreement by signing and returning the enclosed copy of this Agreement. The Issuer by signing this Agreement confirms its agreement to the terms stated herein.

Very truly yours,

WESTCHESTER CLO, LTD.  
as Issuer

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

Accepted and agreed to on this 30<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2007.

INVESTORS BANK & TRUST COMPANY,  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent

By: Brian Peterson  
Name: **Brian Peterson**  
Title: **Director**

Accepted and agreed to on this 30th day of May, 2007.

MAPLES FINANCE LIMITED

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

Name

  
**Hugh Thompson**

Title:

**Authorised Signatory**

**Notice of Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities**

Date: [\_\_\_\_\_]

[Name of Holder]

[Address]

Attention: [\_\_\_\_\_]

Copy:

Westchester CLO, Ltd.  
P.O. Box 1039 GT, Queensgate House  
South Church Street, George Town  
Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands  
Attention: The Directors

Re: Westchester CLO, Ltd.  
Distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of Interest  
Proceeds

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This letter is to inform you that Highland Capital Management, L.P., in its capacity as servicer (the “**Servicer**”) with respect to that certain servicing agreement, dated as of May 31, 2007, by and between Westchester CLO, Ltd. (the “**Issuer**”) and the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, would like to distribute Eligible Equity Securities on the Payment Date of [\_\_\_\_], 20[\_\_\_\_] to the Holders of the Preference Shares in lieu of the Interest Proceeds, in whole or in part, that are otherwise due and payable to such Holders on such Payment Date. Such Eligible Equity Securities will be distributed in accordance with Sections 2(e) and 3(b) of that certain paying agency agreement, dated as of May 31, 2007 (the “**Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement**”), by and between the Issuer and Investors Bank & Trust Company, in its capacity as preference shares paying agent (the “**Preference Shares Paying Agent**”) and Section 11.1(a)(i) of that certain indenture, dated as of May 31, 2007, by and among the Issuer, Westchester CLO Corp. and Investors Bank & Trust Company, in its capacity as trustee (the “**Trustee**”). Any capitalized terms used without definition herein are used with the meanings assigned to such terms in the Indenture.

Details with respect to the proposed distribution of such Eligible Equity Securities are attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Each Holder of the Preference Shares wishing to receive such Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of all or a portion of the Interest Proceeds available for distribution to such Holder (each such Holder, a “**Consenting Holder**”) must deliver the consent notice attached hereto as Exhibit B (the “**Consent Notice**”) to the Preference Shares Paying Agent not later than five Business Days prior to such Payment Date. Each Consenting Holder must indicate in the Consent Notice the portion of Preference Shares held by such Holder for which such Holder wishes to receive a distribution of Eligible Equity

Securities in lieu of Interest Proceeds. Any Consent Notice that is not delivered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent in the manner set forth herein shall be deemed to have not been delivered.

Please contact [ ] (*insert e-mail address*) at [( ) - ] with any questions.

Sincerely,

Investors Bank & Trust Company  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent

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

Name:

Title:



**CONSENT NOTICE**

The undersigned hereby consents to a distribution of Eligible Equity Securities in lieu of the Interest Proceeds due and payable as dividends with respect to [ ] of the Preference Shares held by the undersigned on the Payment Date of [ ], 20[ ].

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 20[ ]

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Holder

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Authorized Signatory

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Authorized Signatory

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Title of Authorized Signatory

ANNEX A  
To the Minutes of the Resolutions of the Board of Directors of  
WESTCHESTER CLO, LTD.

The Issuer may perform any of the functions set forth in this Annex A through the Preference Shares Paying Agent under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement or the Administrator in its capacity as Share Registrar under the Administration Agreement.

Section 1.     Definitions.

Except as otherwise specified herein or as the context may otherwise require, the following terms have the respective meanings set forth below for all purposes of this Annex A, and the definitions of such terms are equally applicable both to the singular and plural forms of such terms and to the masculine, feminine and neuter genders of such terms. Capitalized terms used in this Annex A and not defined herein will have the meanings given to them in the Indenture, dated as of May 31, 2007, by and among Westchester CLO, Ltd. (the “**Issuer**”), Westchester CLO Corp., as co-issuer and Investors Bank & Trust Company, as trustee.

“**Authorized Amount**”: 100 Preference Shares and integral multiples of 1.

“**Controlling Person**”: Any person that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer or any “affiliate” (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) of any such person.

“**Corporate Trust Office**”: The corporate trust office of the Preference Shares Paying Agent at which the Preference Shares Paying Agent performs its duties under the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, currently having an address of 200 Clarendon Street, Mailcode EUC 108, Boston MA 02116, telecopy no. (617) 351-4358, Attention: CDO Services Group or any other address the Preference Shares Paying Agent designates from time to time by notice to the Noteholders, the Servicer, the Trustee, the Issuer and each Rating Agency or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Preference Shares Paying Agent.

“**ERISA Plan**”: Any “employee benefit plan” (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of Title I of ERISA, any “plan” described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code subject to Section 4975 of the Code and any entity whose underlying assets include the assets of any such employee benefit plan and/or plan.

“**Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date**”: If a Maturity Extension has occurred, the sixteenth Payment Date after the then current Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (or, in the case of the first Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, the Payment Date in August 2026); provided that the “Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date” will in no event be a date later than the Payment Date in August 2038.

**“Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor”**: The meaning specified in Section 10(b).

**“Non-Permitted Holder”**: The meaning specified in Section 10(a).

**“Plan Asset Regulation”**: The regulation issued by the United States Department of Labor and found at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101.

**“Preference Shares”**: Preference Shares sold or transferred to a Person who is (a) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (b) a Qualified Purchaser and evidenced by a physical certificate in definitive, fully registered form in the form set forth in Exhibit A hereto.

**“Record Date”**: As to any Payment Date, the 15<sup>th</sup> day (whether or not a Business Day) before the Payment Date.

**“Resolutions”**: The meaning specified in the minutes to which this Annex A is attached.

**“Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date”**: August 1, 2022 or, upon a Maturity Extension (if any), the applicable Extended Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date.

**“Shareholders” or “Holders”**: With respect to any Preference Shares, the Person in whose name such Preference Shares are registered in the Share Register.

**“Share Register”**: The meaning specified in Section 5(a).

**“Share Registrar”**: The meaning specified in Section 5(a).

**“Transferee Certificate”**: A certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B attached hereto, duly completed as appropriate.

## Section 2. Form of Preference Shares.

Preference Shares shall be issued in the form of one or more certificated Preference Shares as set forth in Exhibit A hereto.

Preference Shares may be offered, sold or delivered or resold only to Persons who are both (x) Qualified Institutional Buyers who purchase such Preference Shares for their own account in reliance on Rule 144A under the Securities Act and (y) Qualified Purchasers.

## Section 3. Authorized Minimum Number of Preference Shares.

The Preference Shares shall be issuable only in an Authorized Amount. The Share Registrar shall not register any transfer of Preference Shares if, after giving effect to such transfer, any transferee and any transferor that continues to hold Preference Shares would hold less than an Authorized Amount of Preference Shares.



Section 4. Execution.

The certificates representing the Preference Shares shall be executed on behalf of the Issuer by one of the Authorized Officers of the Issuer. The signature of such Authorized Officers on the Preference Share certificates may be manual or facsimile.

Preference Share certificates bearing the manual or facsimile signatures of individuals who were at any time the Authorized Officers of the Issuer shall be valid, notwithstanding the fact that such individuals or any of them have ceased to hold such offices prior to the execution and delivery of such Preference Share certificates or did not hold such offices at the date of issuance of such Preference Share certificates.

Preference Share certificates issued upon transfer of Preference Shares shall be issued in an Authorized Amount reflecting the numbers of Preference Shares so transferred and, if applicable, retained by the transferor.

No Person shall be entitled to any benefit under the Preference Share Documents until such time as such Person and the number of Preference Shares held by such Person have been recorded in the Share Register. Notwithstanding delivery of a Preference Share certificate, the Share Register shall be conclusive evidence, and the only evidence, of the issuance and registered Holders of Preference Shares.

Section 5. Registration, Registration of Transfer and Exchange.

(a) The Issuer shall cause to be kept a register (the “**Share Register**”) in the Cayman Islands in which, subject to such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe, the Issuer shall provide for the registration and registration of transfers thereof of Preference Shares. The Administrator is appointed the “**Share Registrar**” pursuant to the Administration Agreement for the purpose of registering Preference Shares and transfers of Preference Shares. Upon any resignation or removal of the Share Registrar, the Issuer shall promptly appoint a successor or, in the absence of such appointment, assume the duties of Share Registrar. The Share Registrar shall promptly provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent with copies of all notices, certificates and requests received with respect to the Preference Shares and promptly provide notice of all transfers of Preference Shares. The Share Registrar shall not be required to determine whether any proposed transfer, redemption or other transaction in relation to the Preference Shares complies with any restrictions imposed by law or under the terms of the Indenture or the Preference Share Documents but shall be entitled to rely completely in that respect on the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent.

The Issuer will give the Preference Shares Paying Agent prompt written notice of the appointment of any successor Share Registrar and of the location, and any change in the location, of the Share Registrar, and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have the right to inspect the Share Register at all reasonable times and to obtain copies thereof and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have the right to rely upon a certificate executed on behalf of such Share Registrar by an Officer thereof as to the names and addresses of the Shareholders and the numbers of Preference Shares held by each Shareholder. If the Preference Shares Paying Agent

resigns or is removed in accordance with the terms of the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement, the Issuer shall promptly appoint a successor.

Subject to this Section 5, upon surrender of a Preference Share certificate for registration of transfer thereof at the offices of the Preference Shares Paying Agent in compliance with the provisions set forth in the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall notify the Issuer and the Share Registrar thereof and the Issuer shall execute and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver, in the name of the designated transferee or transferees, one or more new Preference Share certificates of like terms and of a like number, and the Share Register shall be amended accordingly. The Issuer shall (and shall cause the Share Registrar to) refuse to register any transfer of any Preference Share to the fullest extent allowed under Cayman Islands law if such transfer would violate any of the transfer restrictions provided in this Section 5 or the transferee fails to provide a required transfer certificate.

All Preference Share certificates presented or surrendered for registration of transfer shall be duly endorsed, or be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar, duly executed by the Holder of Preference Shares thereof or its attorney duly authorized in writing.

No service charge shall be made to a Holder for any registration of transfer of Preference Shares, but the Preference Shares Paying Agent may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

(b) No Preference Share may be sold or transferred (including, without limitation, by pledge or hypothecation) unless such sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act and is exempt under applicable state securities law.

No Preference Share may be offered, sold or delivered except in accordance with this Section 5. None of the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent or any other Person may register the Preference Shares under the Securities Act or any state securities law.

For so long as any of the Securities are Outstanding, neither the Issuer nor the Share Registrar shall register any transfer of any Issuer Ordinary Shares to U.S. Persons.

If a Holder of a Preference Shares wishes at any time to transfer its interest in such Preference Shares, such Holder may cause the transfer of such interest, subject to the restrictions set forth herein. Upon receipt by the Preference Shares Paying Agent of (A) such Holder's Preference Share certificates duly endorsed and (B) a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B attached hereto given by the transferee of such Preference Shares and stating, among other things, that either the Person acquiring such interest in the Preference Shares is a (1) Qualified Institutional Buyer and (2) a Qualified Purchaser then the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall instruct the Share Registrar to, and the Share Registrar shall (i) cancel the Preference Shares certificate representing such Preference Shares and the Share Registrar will issue to such transferee a Preference Shares certificate representing the Preference Shares transferred and (ii) update the Share Register to reflect such transfer.

Any transfer will be subject to the requirement that any transferee (and transferor, in the case of a partial transfer) acquire (and retain, if applicable) Preference Shares in an Authorized Amount.

Each Transferee Certificate furnished pursuant to this Section 5(b) may be relied on conclusively by the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar. None of the Issuer, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Share Registrar or any other Person shall be required to register the Preference Shares under the Securities Act or any state securities laws.

(c) By delivery of a Subscription Agreement on the Closing Date in connection with the initial issuance of the Preference Shares, or upon delivery of a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B upon the transfer of Preference Shares, each Holder of a Preference Share will represent, warrant and agree with the Issuer to what is in Exhibit B and set forth in Exhibit B.

If Preference Share certificates are issued upon the transfer, exchange or replacement of Preference Share certificates and a request is made to remove the applicable legend on such Preference Share certificates, the Preference Share certificates so issued shall bear such applicable legend, or such applicable legend shall not be removed, as the case may be, unless there is addressed to the Issuer and delivered to the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent on the Issuer's behalf such satisfactory evidence, which may include an opinion of counsel as may be reasonably required by the Issuer to the effect that neither such applicable legend nor the restrictions on transfer set forth therein are required to ensure that transfers thereof comply with the provisions of Rule 144A under the Securities Act or the Investment Company Act. Upon provision of such satisfactory evidence, the Issuer shall execute and the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver Preference Share certificates that do not bear such applicable legend.

(d) At any time when the Issuer is not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act and is not exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act, upon the request of any Holder of Preference Shares, the Issuer shall promptly furnish Rule 144A Information to such Holder, to a prospective purchaser of any Preference Share designated by such Holder or to the Preference Shares Paying Agent for delivery to such Holder or a prospective purchaser designated by such Holder, as the case may be, in order to permit compliance by such Holder with Rule 144A under the Securities Act in connection with the resale of such Preference Share by such Holder.

Section 6. Mutilated, Defaced, Destroyed, Lost or Stolen Preference Share certificates.

If any mutilated or defaced Preference Share certificate is surrendered to the Preference Shares Paying Agent, or if there shall be delivered to the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (i) evidence to their reasonable satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of any Preference Share certificate and (ii) such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them and any agent of any of them harmless that such Preference Share has been acquired by a protected purchaser, then, the Issuer shall execute and, upon Issuer Request, the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall deliver, in lieu of any such mutilated, defaced,

destroyed, lost or stolen Preference Share, a new Preference Share certificate identical in all respects to the entry in the Share Register with respect to such Preference Shares represented thereby, including the same date of issuance, number of Preference Shares and name of the Holder thereof, dated the date of its execution and bearing a number not contemporaneously Outstanding. Upon the execution and delivery of any new Preference Share certificates under this Section 6, the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent may require the payment by the registered Holder thereof of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation thereto and any other expenses (including the fees and expenses of the Preference Shares Paying Agent, if applicable) connected therewith.

#### Section 7. Payment of Distributions on Preference Shares.

Pursuant to the Indenture, amounts may be paid by way of dividends to the Preference Shares Paying Agent on behalf of the Issuer on each Payment Date, on the Redemption Date or on the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date. Unless the Preference Shares Paying Agent has received contrary instructions from the directors of the Issuer (the “**Directors**”) prior to a Payment Date, the Redemption Date or the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date in accordance with the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, all amounts received as dividends by the Preference Shares Paying Agent pursuant to the Indenture shall be paid to the Holders of Preference Shares (i) in respect of a Payment Date or the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date, *pro rata* on the Preference Shares on such Payment Date or Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date by way of a dividend on the Preference Shares or, if applicable, as redemption price therefor or (ii) in respect of the Redemption Date, in accordance with Section 3(g) of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement. If, prior to the date of distribution in accordance with the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Directors instruct the Preference Shares Paying Agent not to distribute all or any portion of monies to be received as dividends by the Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to a Payment Date, the Redemption Date or the Scheduled Preference Shares Redemption Date (which instruction shall be made if such distributions would be impermissible under Cayman Islands law, and then only to the extent such distributions would be impermissible), the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall retain such monies in the Preference Shares Distribution Account and shall pay such amounts as soon as practicable after being instructed to do so by the Directors.

In addition to the distributions of dividends, pursuant to Section 2(d) of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, on each Payment Date Holders of the Class II Preference Shares shall receive, on a *pro rata* basis, the Class II Preference Share Special Payment in an amount equal to the product of (x) the Class II Preference Share Portion for such Payment Date and (y) the Servicing Fees then due and payable to the Servicer.

The Preference Shares Paying Agent shall make payments or distributions (other than distributions of Equity Securities) to each registered Holder of the Preference Shares on the relevant Record Date by wire transfer in immediately available funds to a U.S. Dollar account maintained by each such Holder as notified to the Preference Shares Paying Agent or, in the absence of such notification, by U.S. Dollar check mailed to such Holder at its address of record as set forth in the Share Register. As a condition to payment of any amount hereunder without the imposition of U.S. withholding tax, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, on behalf of the

Issuer, may require certification acceptable to it to enable the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent to determine their duties and liabilities with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments or distributions in respect of Preference Shares under any present or future law or regulation of the United States or any present or future law or regulation of any political subdivision thereof or taxing authority therein or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under such law or regulation. All payments of distributions by the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be made without charging any commission or fee to the Holders of the Preference Shares.

The rights of the Holders of the Preference Shares to distributions by the Issuer and in and to the assets of the Issuer in respect of such Preference Shares, shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes, to the extent and in the manner set forth in the Indenture including as set forth in Section 11.1 thereof and as required by law. If any Event of Default has occurred and has not been cured or waived and acceleration occurs in accordance with Article V of the Indenture, the Notes shall be paid in full in Cash (or to the extent that a Majority of each Class of Notes consents, other than Cash) before any further payment or distribution is made on account of the Preference Shares.

In the event that any Holder of any Preference Shares shall have received any payment or distribution in respect of such Preference Shares contrary to the provisions of this Annex A or the Indenture, then, unless and until (i) the Class A-1-A Notes, (ii) the Class A-1-B Notes, (iii) the Class B Notes, (iv) the Class C Notes, (v) the Class D Notes and (vi) the Class E Notes shall have been paid in full in Cash (or to the extent that a Majority of each Class of Notes consents, other than Cash) in accordance with the Indenture, such payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, for payment and delivery of the same to the Holders of the Class A-1-A Notes, the Class A-1-B Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes or the Class E Notes, as the case may be, in accordance with the Indenture; provided, however, that if any such payment or distribution is made other than in Cash, it shall be paid over and delivered to the Trustee such that it may be held by the Trustee as part of the Collateral pursuant to, and subject in all respects to, the provisions of the Indenture, including Section 13.1 thereof.

#### Section 8. Persons Deemed Owners.

The person listed in the Share Register shall be treated as the owner of Preference Shares related thereto for all purposes, notwithstanding the possession of any certificates for the Preference Shares by another Person.

#### Section 9. Cancellation.

All Preference Share certificates representing Preference Shares surrendered for payment, registration of transfer, exchange or redemption, or deemed lost or stolen, shall promptly be canceled by the Share Registrar in accordance with its policy and may not be reissued or resold. No Preference Share certificates shall be issued in lieu of or in exchange for any Preference Share certificate cancelled as provided in this Section 9, except as expressly permitted by this Annex A. All cancelled Preference Share certificates held by the Share Registrar shall be placed in the minute books in the corporate records of the Issuer. Any

certificates issued in respect of Preference Shares repurchased by the Issuer shall be immediately delivered to the Share Registrar for cancellation.

Section 10. Preference Shares Owned by Non-Permitted Holders; Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investors.

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, any transfer of a Preference Share to a Person that is not both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser (any such Person a “**Non-Permitted Holder**”) shall be null and void *ab initio* and any such purported transfer of which the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have notice may be disregarded by the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent for all purposes.

If any Non-Permitted Holder shall become the owner of any Preference Shares, the Issuer shall, promptly after discovery that such Person is a Non-Permitted Holder by the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (and notice by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Issuer, if the Preference Shares Paying Agent makes the discovery), send notice to such Non-Permitted Holder demanding that such Non-Permitted Holder transfer its Preference Shares to a Person that is eligible to purchase such Preference Shares hereunder within 30 days of the date of such notice. If such Non-Permitted Holder fails to so transfer its Preference Shares, the Issuer shall have the right, without further notice to the Non-Permitted Holder, to sell such Preference Shares to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is eligible to purchase such Preference Shares hereunder on such terms as the Issuer may choose. The Issuer, or the Preference Shares Paying Agent acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting one or more bids from one or more brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Preference Shares, and selling such Preference Shares to the highest such bidder. However, the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent acting on behalf of the Issuer may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Preference Share, the Non-Permitted Holder and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder to the Non-Permitted Holder, by its acceptance of the Preference Shares, agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent to effect such transfers. The proceeds of such sale, net of any commissions, expenses and taxes due in connection with such sale, shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted Holder. The terms and conditions of any sale under this Section shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer, and neither the Issuer nor the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall be liable to any Person having an interest in the Preference Shares sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of such discretion.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, no person shall be permitted to acquire Preference Shares if such acquisition would result in persons who have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owing 25% or more of the aggregate amount of either the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares outstanding immediately after such acquisition (excluding for purposes of this determination the Preference Shares held by any Controlling Person and its affiliates), determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA, the Plan Asset Regulation, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents. Furthermore, no person shall be permitted to acquire Preference Shares if such person is either (1) an ERISA Plan or (2) a Benefit Plan Investor that is not an ERISA Plan, but whose purchase,

holding or disposition of a Preference Share or any beneficial interest therein will result in a non-exempt violation of any federal, state, foreign or local law substantially similar to Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code. Any person described in the first sentence of this subsection (b) and any person described in clause (1) or (2) of the preceding sentence is referred to herein as a “**Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor.**” Any transfer of Preference Shares to a Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor shall be null and void *ab initio* and any such purported transfer of which the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent shall have notice may be disregarded by the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent for all purposes.

If any Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor shall become the owner of Preference Shares, the Issuer shall, promptly after discovery that such person is a Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor by the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent (and notice by the Preference Shares Paying Agent to the Issuer, if the Preference Shares Paying Agent makes the discovery), send notice to such Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor demanding that such Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor transfer its Preference Shares to a Person that is eligible to purchase such Preference Shares hereunder within 30 days of the date of such notice. If such Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor fails to so transfer such Preference Shares, the Issuer shall have the right, without further notice to the Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor, to sell such Preference Shares to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is eligible to purchase such Preference Shares hereunder on such terms as the Issuer may choose. The Issuer, or the Preference Shares Paying Agent acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting one or more bids from one or more brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Preference Shares and selling such Preference Shares to the highest such bidder. However, the Issuer or the Preference Shares Paying Agent acting on behalf of the Issuer may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Preference Share, the Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder to the Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor, by its acceptance of Preference Shares agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Preference Shares Paying Agent to effect such transfers. The proceeds of such sale, net of any commissions, expenses and taxes due in connection with such sale shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor. The terms and conditions of any sale under this subsection shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer, and the Issuer shall not be liable to any Person having an interest in the Preference Shares sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of such discretion.

Any Holder that becomes a Non-Permitted Holder or a Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor or any Holder who has made an ERISA-related representation required by this Annex A that was at the time made, or has subsequently become, false or misleading, must immediately give written notice to the Issuer of such event. Any Holder of Preference Shares that proposes or attempts a transfer that would result in the holding of Preference Shares by a Non-Permitted Holder or that the Holder knows or has reason to know would result in the holding of Preference Shares by a Non-Permitted Benefit Plan Investor, must give at least 15 days prior written notice to the Issuer of such proposed transfer. In any case, the notifying party must provide the Issuer such information as it may request in order to determine the effect, if any, of such event on the Issuer with respect to its compliance with the Securities Act, the Investment Company Act, ERISA and the Code.

Section 11. Return of Undistributed Payments.

Except as otherwise required by applicable law, any monies deposited with the Preference Shares Paying Agent and held in the Preference Shares Distribution Account or otherwise held for any payment with respect to the Preference Shares and remaining unclaimed for two years after such amounts have become payable shall be paid to the Issuer on Issuer Request; and the Holder of such Preference Shares shall thereafter look only to the Issuer for payment of such amounts and all liability of the Preference Shares Paying Agent with respect to such Money (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Issuer) shall thereupon cease. The Preference Shares Paying Agent, before being required to make any such release of payment, may, but shall not be required to, adopt and employ, at the expense of the Issuer, any reasonable means of notification of such release of payment, including, but not limited to, mailing notice to Holders whose right to or interest in such unclaimed monies is determinable from the records of the Preference Shares Paying Agent or Share Registrar at the last address of record of each such Holder.

Section 12. Disclosure of Tax Treatment.

In order to ensure the Holders' and beneficial owners' acquisition of the Preference Shares pursuant to the Preference Share Documents are not treated as offered under conditions of confidentiality, the Holders and beneficial owners of the Preference Shares (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) are hereby permitted to disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions contemplated by the Preference Share Documents (including the ownership and disposition of the Preference Shares). For this purpose, the tax treatment of a transaction is the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction, and the tax structure of a transaction is any fact that may be relevant to understanding the purported or claimed U.S. federal income or state and local tax treatment of the transaction.

Section 13. Certain Tax Matters.

The Issuer and each Holder and each beneficial owner of a Preference Share, by acceptance of its Preference Share, or its interest in a Preference Share, shall be deemed to have agreed to treat, and shall treat, such Preference Share as equity of the Issuer and the Notes as debt of the Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes.

The Issuer will not make an election to be treated as a partnership, and will take all necessary actions to maintain its status as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

The Issuer shall file, or cause to be filed, any tax return, including information tax returns, required by any governmental authority; provided, however, that the Issuer shall not file, or cause to be filed, any income or franchise tax return in any state of the United States unless it shall have obtained an Opinion of Counsel from a tax counsel of nationally recognized standing experienced in such matters prior to such filing that, under the laws of such jurisdiction, the Issuer is required to file such income or franchise tax return.

Each Holder and beneficial owner of a Preference Share, by acceptance of its Preference Share or its interest in a Preference Share, shall be deemed to understand and



acknowledge that failure to provide the Issuer, the Trustee or the Preference Shares Paying Agent with the applicable U.S. federal income tax certifications (generally, a United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 (or successor applicable form) in the case of a person that is a “United States person” within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code or an appropriate United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 (or successor applicable form) in the case of a person that is not a “United States person” within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code) may result in U.S. federal withholding from payments in respect of such Preference Share.

The Issuer will provide or cause to be provided to each Holder or beneficial owner of the Preference Shares (or its designee), upon written request therefor, any information that such Holder or beneficial owner reasonably requests to assist such Holder or beneficial owner with regard to its or its equity owners’ U.S. federal income tax filing requirements.

The Issuer will cause the Independent accountants to make a determination as to whether a Holder’s investment in the Preference Shares has become a “reportable transaction” as described in Treasury Regulation Section 1.6011-4 because, after the Closing Date, the Issuer entered into a transaction whereby the Issuer recognized a significant loss or otherwise. If the Holder’s investment in the Preference Shares has become such a “reportable transaction,” then the Issuer shall provide to Holders of Preference Shares any information available to it which may be reasonably necessary for such Holders of Preference Shares to comply with any disclosure requirements under Section 6011 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder with respect to its investment in the Preference Shares.

The Issuer shall not become the owner of any asset if the ownership or disposition of such asset (without regard to the other activities of the Issuer) would cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes, it being understood that the purchase of Collateral Obligations pursuant to the acquisition standards set forth in the Collateral Acquisition Agreement will not be deemed to cause the Issuer to be engaged in a trade or business with the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

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**Exhibit A**

**FORM OF PREFERENCE SHARE CERTIFICATE**

**WESTCHESTER CLO, LTD.**

**PREFERENCE SHARES, PAR VALUE \$0.01 PER SHARE**

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “**SECURITIES ACT**”), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**”). THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER (“**QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT (IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE PREFERENCE SHARES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A) WHO IS ALSO A QUALIFIED PURCHASER (“**QUALIFIED PURCHASER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER) AND THAT (1) HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (2) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS AND (3) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE, (B) IN EACH CASE, IN A NUMBER OF NOT LESS THAN 100 PREFERENCE SHARES FOR THE PURCHASER AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY BE PURCHASED BY OR TRANSFERRED TO A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR CONTROLLING PERSON (EACH AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) ONLY UPON THE SATISFACTION OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. ANY TRANSFER IN VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING WILL BE OF NO FORCE AND EFFECT, WILL BE VOID AB INITIO, AND WILL NOT OPERATE TO TRANSFER ANY RIGHTS TO THE

TRANSFeree, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CONTRARY TO THE ISSUER, THE PREFERENCE SHARES PAYING AGENT OR ANY INTERMEDIARY. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE ISSUER MAINTAINS THE RIGHT TO RESELL ANY PREFERENCE SHARES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO NON-PERMITTED HOLDERS OR NON-PERMITTED BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS (AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER AND ANY PAYING AGENT, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE SERVICER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY.

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY NOT BE ACQUIRED OR HELD BY (I) ANY "EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(3) OF THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA"), THAT IS SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA, (II) ANY "PLAN" DESCRIBED BY SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE"), THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, OR (III) ANY ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE "PLAN ASSETS" OF ANY PLAN DESCRIBED IN (I) OR (II) BY REASON OF A PLAN'S INVESTMENT IN SUCH ENTITY (EACH OF (I), (II) AND (III), A "**BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR**"), EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

**WESTCHESTER CLO, LTD.**

Number [P] [S] -

CUSIP NO.:

xxxxx Preference Shares

Existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands  
**US \$1,800** divided into 1,000 Ordinary Shares  
of a nominal par value of **US \$1.00** each  
and [ ] Preference Shares of a nominal or par value of **US \$0.01** each

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT

**XXX**

is the registered Holder of

**- XXX Preference Shares -**

in the above-named Company subject to the Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association thereof

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED BY the said Company on this 31<sup>st</sup> day of May 2007.

EXECUTED on behalf of the said Company by:

DIRECTOR\_\_\_\_\_

**Exhibit B**

**FORM OF TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE FOR PREFERENCE SHARES**

Westchester CLO, Ltd.  
P.O. Box 1093GT, Queensgate House  
South Church Street, George Town  
Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands

Investors Bank & Trust Company  
as Preference Shares Paying Agent

[ ]

Attention: [ ]

Re: Westchester CLO, Ltd.  
Preference Shares, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share

Dear Sirs:

Reference is hereby made to the Issuer's Memorandum and Articles of Association (the "**Articles**") and certain resolutions adopted at a meeting of the Issuer's Board of Directors on or about May [ ], 2007 (the "**Resolutions**"), as reflected in the minutes thereof. Reference is also made to the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, dated as of May 31, 2007 (the "**Agreement**") by and between Westchester CLO, Ltd., as Issuer and Investors Bank & Trust Company, as Preference Shares Paying Agent. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings set forth in the Resolutions, including Annex A thereto ("**Annex A**"), and if not defined in the Resolutions, in the Offering Memorandum.

This certificate relates to \_\_\_\_\_ Preference Shares which are to be transferred to the undersigned transferee (the "**purchaser**") pursuant to Section 5(b) of Annex A.

1. The purchaser hereby represents, warrants and covenants for the benefit of the Issuer that the transfer has been effected in accordance with the transfer restrictions set forth in Section 5(b) of Annex A and the Offering Memorandum, dated [ ], 2007 (the "**Offering Memorandum**") relating to the Preference Shares and that:

(1) The purchaser hereby certifies that it is a Qualified Institutional Buyer as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act and a Qualified Purchaser for purposes of the Investment Company Act; and

(2) The Purchaser is aware that the sale of the Preference Shares to it is being made in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements under the Securities Act and it is acquiring the Preference Shares for its own account in a number not less than the minimum lot.

2. The purchaser has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in the Preference Shares, and the purchaser is able to bear the economic risk of its investment.

3. The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Preference Shares have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, and, if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Preference Shares, such Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the legend in respect of such Preference Shares set forth in clause (11) below and the restrictions set forth in the Preference Share Documents. The purchaser acknowledges that no representation is made by the Issuer, the Servicer or the Initial Purchasers or any of their respective Affiliates as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or other applicable laws of any jurisdiction for resale of the Preference Shares.

4. The purchaser agrees that it will not offer or sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Preference Shares or any interest therein except (i) pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction and (ii) in accordance with the Preference Share Documents, to which provisions the purchaser hereby agrees it is subject.

5. The purchaser is not purchasing the Preference Shares with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act. It has read and understood the Offering Memorandum, including, without limitation, the "Risk Factors" section therein. The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares will be highly illiquid and are not suitable for short-term trading. The Preference Shares are a leveraged investment in the Collateral Obligations that may expose the Preference Shares to disproportionately large changes in value. Payments in respect of the Preference Shares are not guaranteed as they are dependent on the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations. The purchaser understands that it is possible that, due to the structure of the transaction and the performance of the Issuer's portfolio of Collateral Obligations, dividends or other distributions in respect of the Preference Shares may be reduced or eliminated entirely. Furthermore, the Preference Shares constitute equity in the Issuer, are not secured by the Collateral and will rank behind all creditors (secured and unsecured and whether known or unknown) of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the Holders of the Notes, and any Hedge Counterparties. The Issuer has assets limited to the Collateral for payment of all Classes of the Notes and dividends and other distributions on the Preference Shares, and the Preference Shares bear, *pro rata*, the first risk of loss. The purchaser understands that an investment in the Preference Shares involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of all or a substantial part of its investment. The purchaser has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Issuer, the Preference Shares and the Collateral as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Preference Shares, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from the Issuer and the Initial Purchasers.

6. (i) None of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the

Servicer is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment advisor for the purchaser, (ii) the purchaser is not relying (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any advice, counsel or representations (whether written or oral) of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, either Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates other than in the Offering Memorandum and any representations expressly set forth in a written agreement with such party; (iii) none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Initial Purchasers, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates has given to the purchaser (directly or indirectly through any other Person or documentation for the Preference Shares) any assurance, guarantee or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance, result, effect, consequence or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting or otherwise) of the Preference Shares or an investment therein; (iv) the purchaser has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisors to the extent it has deemed necessary, and it has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the documentation for the Preference Shares) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, either Initial Purchaser, any Hedge Counterparty, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Collateral Administrator or the Servicer or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) the purchaser has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Preference Shares reflect those in the relevant market for similar transactions; (vi) the purchaser is purchasing the Preference Shares with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof (economic and otherwise), and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume (financially and otherwise) those risks; and (vii) the purchaser is a sophisticated investor.

7. (A) The purchaser is (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, (B) the purchaser is acquiring the Preference Shares as principal for its own account (and not for the account of any family or other trust, any family member or any other person) for investment and not for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, (C) the purchaser was not formed solely for the purpose of investing in the Preference Shares (except when each beneficial owner of the purchaser is a Qualified Purchaser), (D) to the extent the purchaser is a private investment company formed before April 30, 1996, the purchaser has received the necessary consent from its beneficial owners, (E) the purchaser is not a broker-dealer that owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than \$25,000,000 in securities of unaffiliated issuers, (F) the purchaser is not a pension, profit-sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners beneficiaries or participants or affiliates may designate the particular investment to be made, (G) the purchaser agrees that it shall not hold such Preference Shares for the benefit of any other Person and shall be the sole beneficial owner thereof for all purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Preference Shares or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the dividends or other distributions on the Preference Shares (except when each such other Person is (i) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (ii) a Qualified Purchaser) and (H) the purchaser understands and agrees that any purported transfer of the Preference Shares to a purchaser that does not comply with the requirements of this paragraph shall be null and void *ab initio*.



8. The purchaser understands that, prior to any sale or other transfer of any interest in a Preference Share, it (or the transferee, as applicable) will be required to provide to the Issuer and Preference Shares Paying Agent a duly executed transfer certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B attached to Annex A and such other certificates and other information as they may reasonably require to confirm that the proposed transfer complies with the restrictions in the legend placed on each certificate representing the Preference Shares and in the Preference Share Documents.

9. The purchaser understands and agrees that (i) no purchase or transfer may be made that would result in any person or entity holding beneficial ownership in any Preference Shares in less than an authorized number as set forth in Annex A and (ii) no purchase or transfer of Preference Shares that would have the effect of requiring either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Collateral to register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act will be permitted.

10. The purchaser understands and agrees that no purchase or transfer of Preference Shares (i) to a purchaser or transferee that has represented that it is a Benefit Plan Investor (as defined in Section 3(42) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended “**ERISA**”), or a Controlling Person (as defined below) will be effective, and the Issuer or the Share Registrar will not recognize or register such purchase or transfer, if such purchase or transfer would result in Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of the Class I Preference Shares or the Class II Preference Shares (determined pursuant to Section 3(42) of ERISA, 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents) or (ii) will be permitted if such purchase or transfer will result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of Code (as defined below) (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, a violation of any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law). The purchaser further understands and agrees that any transfer in violation of the applicable provisions of the Preference Share Documents will be null and void *ab initio*. For purposes of the 25% determination described in the first sentence of this clause (10), the Preference Shares held by the Trustee, the Servicer, any of their respective affiliates (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) and any other persons that have represented that they are Controlling Persons will be disregarded and will not be treated as outstanding. The purchaser’s acquisition, holding and disposition of the Preference Shares will not result in a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “**Code**”) (or, in the case of a governmental, foreign or church plan, any substantially similar federal, state, foreign or local law), because such purchase, holding or acquisition either (a) is not, and will not become, subject to such laws or (b) is covered by an exemption from all applicable prohibited transactions, all conditions of which are and will be satisfied throughout its holding of such Preference Shares. The purchaser and any fiduciary or Person causing it to acquire the Preference Shares agree, to the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, each Initial Purchaser, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Trustee, the Servicer and their respective affiliates from any cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of a breach of the representations set forth in this clause (10) and clause (12) below. If the purchaser is an insurance company investing through its general account as defined in United States Department of Labor (“**DOL**”) Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption (“**PTCE**”) 95-60, for so long as it holds the Preference Shares, such purchaser represents that the percentage of assets of such

insurance company general account that may be treated as “plan assets” under ERISA and the Code will always remain below 25% (as determined pursuant to ERISA and the Code).

11. The purchaser understands that the Preference Shares (a) will be represented by one or more Preference Share certificates which will bear the legend substantially in the form set forth below unless the Issuer determines otherwise in accordance with applicable law, and (b) may only be resold, pledged or transferred to Qualified Institutional Buyers who are also (x) Qualified Purchasers or (y) entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers. The purchaser understands that before the Preference Shares may be offered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred, the transferee will be required to provide the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Issuer with a written certification as to compliance with the transfer restrictions.

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “**SECURITIES ACT**”), AND THE ISSUER HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE “**INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT**”). THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, EXCEPT (A) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER (“**QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT (IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A SO LONG AS THE PREFERENCE SHARES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 144A) WHO IS ALSO A QUALIFIED PURCHASER (“**QUALIFIED PURCHASER**”) WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(c)(7) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT THAT WAS NOT FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTING IN THE ISSUER (EXCEPT WHEN EACH BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THE PURCHASER IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER) AND THAT (1) HAS RECEIVED THE NECESSARY CONSENT FROM ITS BENEFICIAL OWNERS WHEN THE PURCHASER IS A PRIVATE INVESTMENT COMPANY FORMED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30, 1996, (2) IS NOT A BROKER-DEALER THAT OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN \$25,000,000 IN SECURITIES OF UNAFFILIATED ISSUERS AND (3) IS NOT A PENSION, PROFIT-SHARING OR OTHER RETIREMENT TRUST FUND OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PARTNERS, BENEFICIARIES OR PARTICIPANTS OR AFFILIATES MAY DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR INVESTMENT TO BE MADE, (B) IN EACH CASE, IN A NUMBER OF NOT LESS THAN 100 PREFERENCE SHARES FOR THE PURCHASER AND (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE JURISDICTION. EACH TRANSFEROR OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY OR ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN TO ITS PURCHASER. EACH PURCHASER OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE APPLICABLE REPRESENTATIONS AND AGREEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS. THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY BE PURCHASED BY OR TRANSFERRED TO A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR CONTROLLING PERSON (EACH AS DEFINED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE

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THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE ISSUER AND ANY PAYING AGENT, WHENEVER REQUESTED BY THE ISSUER OR THE SERVICER ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUER, WITH THE APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CERTIFICATIONS (GENERALLY, AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-9 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE OR AN APPROPRIATE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FORM W-8 (OR APPLICABLE SUCCESSOR FORM) IN THE CASE OF A PERSON THAT IS NOT A "UNITED STATES PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 7701(A)(30) OF THE CODE) MAY RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF U.S. FEDERAL WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS TO THE HOLDER IN RESPECT OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY.

THE PREFERENCE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY NOT BE ACQUIRED OR HELD BY (I) ANY "EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN" WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 3(3) OF THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA"), THAT IS SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA, (II) ANY "PLAN" DESCRIBED BY SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "**CODE**"), THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE, OR (III) ANY ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE "PLAN ASSETS" OF ANY PLAN DESCRIBED IN (I) OR (II) BY REASON OF A PLAN'S INVESTMENT IN SUCH ENTITY (EACH OF (I), (II) AND (III), A "**BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR**"), EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

EACH TRANSFEREE WILL BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER A TRANSFEREE CERTIFICATE IN A FORM PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENCE SHARE DOCUMENTS.

12. The funds that the purchaser is using or will use to purchase the Preference Shares are assets of a person who is or at any time while the Preference Shares are held by the purchaser will be (A) an "employee benefit plan" as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA that is subject to Title I of ERISA, (B) a "plan" described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code or (C) an entity whose underlying assets would be deemed to include "plan assets" of either of the foregoing by reason of the investment by an employee benefit plan or other plan in the entity within the meaning of 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101, as modified by

Section 3(42) of ERISA (the plans and persons described in clauses (A), (B) and (C) being referred to as “**Benefit Plan Investors**”).

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ (**Please check either yes or no**).

If yes, such funds are assets of an employee benefit plan subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA or a plan described in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code and subject to Section 4975 of the Code.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ (**Please check either yes or no**).

The purchaser is not the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Servicer or any other person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or a person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of the Issuer, or any “affiliate” (as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3)) of any such person (any such person, a “**Controlling Person**”). **Please place a check in the following space if the foregoing statement is NOT accurate:** \_\_\_\_\_.

If the purchaser is an insurance company investing through its general account as defined in PTCE 95-60, for so long as it holds the Preference Shares, no more than \_\_\_\_% of the assets of such insurance company general account could be treated as plan assets for purposes of Section 3(42) of ERISA. The purchaser will promptly notify the Issuer if this percentage changes. (**Please provide percentage, if applicable**).

If the purchaser is a Benefit Plan Investor that is an entity (other than an insurance company general account) whose underlying assets include “plan assets” by reason of an employee benefit plan’s or other plan’s investment in the entity, for so long as it holds the Preference Shares, no more than \_\_\_\_% of the purchaser’s assets shall be treated as “plan assets” under Section 3(42) of ERISA. The purchaser will promptly notify the Issuer if this percentage changes. (**Please provide percentage, if applicable**).

The purchaser further acknowledges and agrees that the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement will entitle the Issuer to require the purchaser to dispose of the Preference Shares as soon as practicable following notification by the Issuer of any change in the information supplied in this clause (12).

The purchaser understands that the representations made in this clause (12) will be deemed made on each day from the date hereof through and including the date on which the purchaser disposes of its interests in the Preference Shares.

The purchaser agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Initial Purchasers and the Servicer and their respective affiliates from any cost, damage, or loss incurred by them as a result of a breach of the representation in this clause (12).

The purchaser agrees that it will not sell, pledge or otherwise transfer any Preference Shares in violation of the foregoing.

13. The purchaser will provide notice to each Person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Preference Shares of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in the Preference Share Documents, including the exhibits referenced in the Preference Share Documents.

14. The purchaser understands that the Preference Share Documents permit the Issuer to compel any Holder of the Preference Shares who is a U.S. Person and who is determined not to have been both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser at the time of acquisition of the Preference Shares to sell such Preference Shares, or to sell such Preference Shares on behalf of such purchaser, to a Person that is both (x) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (y) a Qualified Purchaser in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements under the Securities Act.

15. The beneficial owner, if not a U.S. Person, either (i) is not a bank (within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code) or (ii) is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates United States federal income taxation of United States source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States. The beneficial owner is not purchasing the Preference Shares in order to reduce its United States federal income tax liability or pursuant to a tax avoidance plan.

16. The purchaser acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit a public offering of the Preference Shares. The purchaser further acknowledges that no action was taken or is being contemplated by the Issuer that would permit possession or distribution of the Offering Memorandum or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any other offering material relating to the Securities in any jurisdiction (other than Ireland) where, or in any circumstances in which, action for those purposes is required. Nothing contained in the Offering Memorandum relating to the Preference Shares shall constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to purchase any Preference Shares in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to do so absent the taking of such action or the availability of an exemption therefrom.

17. The purchaser understands that in the case of any supplemental indenture to the Indenture that requires consent of one or more Holders of the Preference Shares, the Indenture permits the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser to purchase Preference Shares from any Non-Consenting Holder thereof at the applicable Amendment Buy-Out Purchase Price; and such Non-Consenting Holder will be required to sell such Preference Shares to the Amendment Buy-Out Purchaser at such price.

18. The purchaser understands that the scheduled redemption date of the Preference Shares is subject to multiple extensions of four years each without consent of any Holders of the Preference Shares at the option of the Issuer, if directed by the Servicer, upon satisfaction of certain conditions.

19. The purchaser will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Preference Shares by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or

similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.

20. The beneficial owner will agree to treat, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, (a) the Preference Shares as equity of the Issuer, (b) the Notes as indebtedness of the Issuer and (c) the Issuer as a corporation. The beneficial owner will be deemed to have acknowledged that the Issuer is not authorized to engage in activities that could cause it to constitute a finance or lending business for U.S. federal income tax purposes and agrees that it will report its investment in Preference Shares consistent with such limitation.

21. To the extent required, as determined by the Issuer or the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Preference Shares Paying Agent and the Share Registrar, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Preference Shares to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the U.S. Patriot Act) and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Preference Share to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.

22. The purchaser agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or winding up against the Issuer before one year and one day have elapsed since the payment in full of the Notes or, if longer, the applicable preference period in effect.

23. The purchaser is not a member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

24. The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer has the right pursuant to Section 6 of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement to issue additional Preference Shares.

25. The purchaser understands that, to the extent required, as determined by the Co-Issuers, the Co-Issuers may amend the Indenture and, with respect to the Issuer only, the Preference Share Documents, without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities to (i) remove any restrictions and limitations imposed on the Co-Issuers or the Holders of the Securities that solely relate to compliance with Section 3(c)(7) and (ii) add any requirements that are necessary for compliance with Rule 3a-7 if, at any time following the Closing Date, the Co-Issuers elect to rely on exclusion from the definition of "investment company" under Rule 3a-7 in lieu of the exclusion under Section 3(c)(7).

26. The purchaser understands that the Issuer may enter into amendments or modifications to the Servicing Agreement without the consent of any Holders of the Securities and without regard to whether or not such amendment adversely affects the interest of the Holders of the Securities.

27. The purchaser is \_\_\_ / is not \_\_\_ (check one) Highland Financial Partners, L.P. or any of its subsidiaries.

28. The purchaser acknowledges that the Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee, each Initial Purchaser and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgments, representations and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations

or agreements deemed to have been made by it by its purchase of the Preference Shares or any beneficial interest therein are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Issuer, the Servicer, the Trustee and each Initial Purchaser.

THIS LETTER SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the undersigned has executed this Preference Share Transferee Certificate on the date set forth below.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 200\_\_

**Number of Preference Shares subscribed for (at a purchase price of U.S.\$1,000 per share):**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Aggregate purchase price of the Preference Shares subscribed for:**

U.S.\$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Purchaser

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Authorized Signatory

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Authorized Signatory

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Title of Authorized Signatory

**Please remember to give the Preference Shares Paying Agent the proper U.S. federal income tax certifications or else the Preference Shares Paying Agent may have to withhold part of any payment due and payable to you.**

(1) the name and address of the registered Holder of the Preference Shares is:

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- (2) the wire/payment instructions for the registered Holder of the Preference Shares are:

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**FORM OF PREFERENCE SHARE CERTIFICATE**

**WESTCHESTER CLO, LTD.**

**PREFERENCE SHARES, PAR VALUE \$0.01 PER SHARE**

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**WESTCHESTER CLO, LTD.**

Number [P] [S] -

CUSIP NO.: xxxxx Preference Shares

Existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands  
US \$1,800 divided into 1,000 Ordinary Shares  
of a nominal par value of US \$1.00 each  
and [ ] Preference Shares of a nominal or par value of US \$0.01 each

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT

**XXX**

is the registered Holder of

**- XXX Preference Shares -**

in the above-named Company subject to the Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association thereof

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED BY the said Company on this 31<sup>st</sup> day of May 2007.

EXECUTED on behalf of the said Company by:

DIRECTOR \_\_\_\_\_

## **EXHIBIT UUU**

SERVICING AGREEMENT

This Servicing Agreement, dated as of May 31, 2007 is entered into by and among WESTCHESTER CLO, LTD., an exempted company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands, with its registered office located at the offices of Maples Finance Limited, P.O. Box 1093GT, Queensgate House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands (together with successors and assigns permitted hereunder, the "Issuer"), and HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, with its principal offices located at Two Galleria Tower, 13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300, Dallas, Texas 75240, as servicer ("Highland" or, in such capacity, the "Servicer").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Issuer and WESTCHESTER CLO CORP. (the "Co-Issuer" and together with the Issuer, the "Co-Issuers") intend to issue U.S.\$570,500,000 of their Class A-1-A Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2022 (the "Class A-1-A Notes"), U.S.\$142,500,000 of their Class A-1-B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2022 (the "Class A-1-B Notes" and, together with the Class A-1-A Notes, the "Class A Notes"), U.S.\$80,000,000 of their Class B Floating Rate Senior Secured Extendable Notes due 2022 (the "Class B Notes"), U.S.\$53,500,000 of their Class C Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due 2022 (the "Class C Notes") and U.S.\$36,000,000 of their Class D Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due 2022 (the "Class D Notes" and, together with the Class A Notes, Class B Notes and Class C Notes, the "Senior Notes"), and the Issuer will individually issue U.S.\$37,500,000 of its Class E Floating Rate Senior Secured Deferrable Interest Extendable Notes due 2022 (the "Class E Notes" and together with the Senior Notes, the "Notes") pursuant to the Indenture dated as of May 31, 2007 (the "Indenture"), among the Co-Issuers and Investors Bank & Trust Company, as trustee (the "Trustee"), 39,000 Class I Preference Shares, \$0.01 par value (the "Class I Preference Shares"), and 41,000 Class II Preference Shares, \$0.01 par value (the "Class II Preference Shares" and, together with the Class I Preference Shares, the "Preference Shares" and, together with the Notes, the "Securities") pursuant to the Preference Share Documents;

WHEREAS, the Issuer intends to pledge certain Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments and Cash (all as defined in the Indenture) and certain other assets (all as set forth in the Indenture) (collectively, the "Collateral") to the Trustee as security for the Notes;

WHEREAS, the Issuer wishes to enter into this Servicing Agreement, pursuant to which the Servicer agrees to perform, on behalf of the Issuer, certain duties with respect to the Collateral in the manner and on the terms set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the Servicer has the capacity to provide the services required hereby and is prepared to perform such services upon the terms and conditions set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements herein set forth, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Definitions.

Terms used herein and not defined below shall have the meanings set forth in the Indenture.

“Advisers Act” shall mean the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended.

“Agreement” shall mean this Servicing Agreement, as amended from time to time.

“Governing Instruments” shall mean the memorandum, articles or certificate of incorporation or association and by-laws, if applicable, in the case of a corporation; the certificate of formation, if applicable, or the partnership agreement, in the case of a partnership; or the certificate of formation, if applicable, or the limited liability company agreement, in the case of a limited liability company.

“HFP” shall mean collectively, Highland Financial Partners, L.P. and any subsidiary thereof.

“Independent Advisor” shall have the meaning specified in Section IV.B. of the Collateral Acquisition Agreement.

“Offering Memorandum” shall mean the Offering Memorandum of the Issuer dated May [29], 2007 prepared in connection with the offering of the Securities.

“Servicer Breaches” shall have the meaning specified in Section 10(a).

“Servicing Fees” shall mean, collectively, the Senior Servicing Fee, the Subordinate Servicing Fee and the Supplemental Servicing Fee

“Special Procedures Obligation” shall have the meaning specified in Section IV.A. of the Collateral Acquisition Agreement.

2. General Duties of the Servicer.

(a) The Servicer shall provide services to the Issuer as follows:

(i) Subject to and in accordance with the terms the Indenture and this Agreement, the Servicer shall supervise and direct the administration, acquisition and disposition of the Collateral, and shall perform on behalf of the Issuer those duties and obligations of the Servicer required by the Indenture and this Agreement, and including the furnishing of orders, requests and officer's certificates, and such certifications as are required of the Servicer under the Indenture with respect to permitted purchases and sales of the Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments and other assets, and other matters, and, to the extent necessary or appropriate to perform such duties, the Servicer shall have the power to execute and deliver all necessary and appropriate documents and instruments on behalf of the Issuer with respect thereto. The Servicer shall, subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the Indenture, perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder with reasonable care and in good faith, using a degree of skill



and attention no less than that which the Servicer exercises with respect to comparable assets that it services or manages for others having similar objectives and restrictions, and in a manner consistent with practices and procedures followed by institutional servicers or managers of national standing relating to assets of the nature and character of the Collateral for clients having similar objectives and restrictions, except as expressly provided otherwise in this Agreement and/or the Indenture. To the extent not inconsistent with the foregoing, the Servicer shall follow its customary standards, policies and procedures in performing its duties under the Indenture and hereunder. The Servicer shall comply with all terms and conditions of the Indenture affecting the duties and functions to be performed hereunder. The Servicer shall not be bound to follow any amendment to the Indenture until it has received written notice thereof and until it has received a copy of the amendment from the Issuer or the Trustee; provided, however, that the Servicer shall not be bound by any amendment to the Indenture that affects the rights, powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer unless the Servicer shall have consented thereto in writing. The Issuer agrees that it shall not permit any amendment to the Indenture that (x) affects the rights, powers, obligations or duties of the Servicer or (y) affects the amount or priority of any fees payable to the Servicer to become effective unless the Servicer has been given prior written notice of such amendment and consented thereto in writing;

(ii) the Servicer shall select any Collateral which shall be acquired by the Issuer pursuant to the Indenture in accordance with the Eligibility Criteria;

(iii) the Servicer shall monitor the Collateral on an ongoing basis and provide to the Issuer all reports, certificates, schedules and other data with respect to the Collateral which the Issuer is required to prepare and deliver under the Indenture and any Hedge Agreement, in the form and containing all information required thereby and in reasonable time for the Issuer to review such required reports, certificates, schedules and data and to deliver them to the parties entitled thereto under the Indenture; the Servicer shall undertake to determine to the extent reasonably practicable whether a Collateral Obligation has become a Defaulted Collateral Obligation; and the Servicer shall monitor any Hedge Agreements and direct the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer in respect of all actions to be taken thereunder by the Issuer;

(iv) the Servicer, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture may, at any time permitted under the Indenture, and shall, when required by the Indenture, direct the Trustee to (x) dispose of a Collateral Obligation, Equity Security or Eligible Investment or other securities received in respect thereof in the open market or otherwise, (y) acquire, as security for the Notes in substitution for or in addition to any one or more Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments included in the Collateral, one or more substitute Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments, or (z) direct the Trustee to take the following actions with respect to a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment:

(1) retain such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment;

or

(2) if applicable, tender such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment pursuant to an Offer; or

(3) if applicable, consent to any proposed amendment, modification or waiver pursuant to an Offer; or

(4) retain or dispose of any securities or other property (if other than Cash) received pursuant to an Offer; or

(5) waive any default with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or

(6) vote to accelerate the maturity of any Defaulted Collateral Obligation; or

(7) exercise any other rights or remedies with respect to such Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment as provided in the related Underlying Instruments, including in connection with any workout situations, or take any other action consistent with the terms of the Indenture which is in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities;

(v) subject to and in accordance with the terms of the Indenture and this Agreement, the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer shall determine whether to enter into any additional hedging arrangements, increase or reduce the notional amounts of existing Hedge Agreements or terminate existing Hedge Agreements, and the Servicer shall use its reasonable efforts to cause the Issuer, promptly following the early termination of a Hedge Agreement (other than on a Redemption Date) and to the extent possible through application of funds received as a result of the early termination (including the proceeds of the liquidation of any collateral pledged by the hedge counterparty), to enter into a replacement Hedge Agreement;

(vi) the Servicer shall on or prior to any day which is a Redemption Date, direct the Trustee to enter into contracts to dispose of the Collateral Obligations and any other Collateral pursuant to the Indenture and otherwise comply with all redemption procedures and certification requirements in the Indenture in order to allow the Trustee to effect such redemption; and

(vii) if the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, desires to make distributions of Eligible Equity Securities on any Payment Date pursuant to Section 2(e) of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement, the Servicer shall so notify the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent and provide the Trustee and the Preference Shares Paying Agent (for forwarding to each Holder of the Preference Shares with respect to the applicable Record Date) details of such Eligible Equity Securities in accordance with the procedure set forth in Section 3(b) of the Preference Shares Paying Agency Agreement.

(b) In performing its duties hereunder, the Servicer shall seek to preserve the value of the Collateral for the benefit of the Holders of the Securities taking into account the collateral criteria and limitations set forth herein and in the Indenture and the Servicer shall use reasonable efforts to select and service the Collateral in such a way that will permit a timely performance of all payment obligations by the Issuer under the Indenture; provided, that the Servicer shall not be responsible if such objectives are not achieved so long as the Servicer performs its duties under this Agreement in the manner provided for herein, and provided, further, that there shall be no recourse to the Servicer with respect to the Notes or the Preference Shares. The Servicer and the Issuer shall take such other action, and furnish

such certificates, opinions and other documents, as may be reasonably requested by the other party hereto in order to effectuate the purposes of this Agreement and to facilitate compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the terms of this Agreement.

(c) The Servicer hereby agrees to the following:

(i) The Servicer agrees not to institute against, or join any other Person in instituting against, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation proceedings or other proceedings under federal or state bankruptcy or similar laws of any jurisdiction until at least one year and one day (or if longer, any applicable preference period plus one day) after the payment in full of all Notes issued under the Indenture; provided, however, that nothing in this clause (i) shall preclude, or be deemed to estop, the Servicer (A) from taking any action prior to the expiration of such period in (x) any case or proceeding voluntarily filed or commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, or (y) any involuntary insolvency proceeding filed or commenced against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, by a Person other than the Servicer, or (B) from commencing against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any properties of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer any legal action which is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium, liquidation or similar proceeding. This Section 2(c)(i) shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

(ii) The Servicer shall cause each sale or purchase of any Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investment to be conducted on an arm's-length basis.

(iii) The Servicer shall notify the Trustee and the Share Registrar of any Affiliate of the Servicer that owns the Securities.

(iv) HFP and/or its subsidiaries will purchase Class II Preference Shares having an aggregate principal amount equal to U.S.\$41,000,000, Class E Notes having an aggregate principal amount equal to U.S.\$9,500,000, the Servicer and/or its Affiliates (other than HFP) will purchase Class I Preferences Shares having an aggregate Face Amount equal to U.S.\$17,000,000.

(d) The Servicer shall not act for the Issuer in any capacity except as provided in this Section 2. In providing services hereunder, the Servicer may employ third parties, including its Affiliates, to render advice (including advice with respect to the servicing of the Collateral) and assistance; provided, however, that the Servicer shall not be relieved of any of its duties or liabilities hereunder regardless of the performance of any services by third parties. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Servicer shall not be required to take any action required of it pursuant to this Agreement or the Indenture if such action would constitute a violation of any law.

(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement or the Indenture, (i) any granted signatory powers or authority granted to the Servicer on behalf of the Issuer with respect to the Special Procedures Obligations shall be conditioned upon the prior written approval of the Independent Advisor and (ii) neither the Servicer nor any Affiliate of the Servicer shall have any authority to enter into agreements, or take any action, on behalf of the Issuer with respect to the Special Procedures Obligations without the prior written approval of the Independent Advisor.

3. Brokerage.

The Servicer shall seek to obtain the best prices and execution for all orders placed with respect to the Collateral, considering all reasonable circumstances. Subject to the objective of obtaining best prices and execution, the Servicer may take into consideration research and other brokerage services furnished to the Servicer or its Affiliates by brokers and dealers which are not Affiliates of the Servicer. Such services may be used by the Servicer or its Affiliates in connection with its other servicing or advisory activities or operations. The Servicer may aggregate sales and purchase orders of securities placed with respect to the Collateral with similar orders being made simultaneously for other accounts serviced or managed by Servicer or with accounts of the Affiliates of the Servicer, if in the Servicer's reasonable judgment such aggregation shall result in an overall economic benefit to the Issuer, taking into consideration the advantageous selling or purchase price, brokerage commission and other expenses. In the event that a sale or purchase of a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment (in accordance with the terms of the Indenture) occurs as part of any aggregate sales or purchase orders, the objective of the Servicer (and any of its Affiliates involved in such transactions) shall be to allocate the executions among the accounts in an equitable manner and consistent with its obligations hereunder and under applicable law.

In addition to the foregoing and subject to the provisions of Section 2 and the limitations of Section 5, the objective of obtaining best prices and execution and to the extent permitted by applicable law, the Servicer may, on behalf of the Issuer, direct the Trustee to acquire any and all of the Eligible Investments or other Collateral from, or sell Collateral Obligations or other Collateral to, the Initial Purchasers, the Trustee or any of their respective Affiliates, or any other firm.

4. Additional Activities of the Servicer.

Nothing herein shall prevent the Servicer or any of its Affiliates from engaging in other businesses, or from rendering services of any kind to the Trustee, the Holders of the Securities, or any other Person or entity to the extent permitted by applicable law. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, the Servicer and partners, directors, officers, employees and agents of the Servicer or its Affiliates may, among other things, and subject to any limits specified in the Indenture:

(a) serve as directors (whether supervisory or managing), officers, partners, employees, agents, nominees or signatories for any issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates, to the extent permitted by their Governing Instruments, as from time to time amended, or by any resolutions duly adopted by the Issuer, its Affiliates or any issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates, pursuant to their respective Governing Instruments; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on any item of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Collateral Quality Test; provided, further, that nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to limit the duties of the Servicer set forth in Section 2 hereof;

(b) receive fees for services of any nature rendered to the issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral or their respective Affiliates; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on any item of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Collateral Quality Test; and provided, further that if any portion of such services are related to the purchase by the Issuer of any obligations included in the Collateral, the portion of such fees relating to such obligations shall be applied to the purchase price of such obligations; and

(c) be a secured or unsecured creditor of, or hold an equity interest in, the Issuer, its Affiliates or any issuer of any obligation included in the Collateral; provided, that in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, such activity shall not have a material adverse effect on any item of Collateral or the ability of the Issuer to comply with each Collateral Quality Test; provided, further, that nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to limit the duties of the Servicer set forth in Section 2 hereof.

It is understood that the Servicer and any of its Affiliates may engage in any other business and furnish servicing, investment management and advisory services to others, including Persons which may have policies similar to those followed by the Servicer with respect to the Collateral and which may own securities of the same class, or which are the same type, as the Collateral Obligations or other securities of the issuers of Collateral Obligations. The Servicer shall be free, in its sole discretion, to make recommendations to others, or effect transactions on behalf of itself or for others, which may be the same as or different from those effected with respect to the Collateral.

Unless the Servicer determines in its reasonable judgment that such purchase or sale is appropriate, the Servicer may refrain from directing the purchase or sale hereunder of securities issued by (i) Persons of which the Servicer, its Affiliates or any of its or their officers, directors or employees are directors or officers, (ii) Persons for which the Servicer or its Affiliate act as financial adviser or underwriter or (iii) Persons about which the Servicer or any of its Affiliates have information which the Servicer deems confidential or non-public or otherwise might prohibit it from trading such securities in accordance with applicable law. The Servicer shall not be obligated to pursue any particular strategy or opportunity with respect to the Collateral.

#### 5. Conflicts of Interest.

(a) The Servicer shall not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral from the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal or to sell an obligation to the Servicer or any of its Affiliates as principal unless (i) the Issuer shall have received from the Servicer such information relating to such acquisition or sale as it may reasonably require and shall have approved such acquisition, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) in the judgment of the Servicer, such transaction is on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (iii) such transaction is permitted by the Advisers Act.

(b) The Servicer shall not direct the Trustee to acquire an obligation to be included in the Collateral directly from any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser, or direct the Trustee to sell an obligation directly to any account or portfolio for which the Servicer serves as servicer or investment adviser unless such acquisition or sale is (i) in the judgment of the Servicer, on terms no less favorable than would be obtained in a transaction conducted on an arm's length basis between third parties unaffiliated with each other and (ii) permitted by the Advisers Act.

(c) The Servicer shall not undertake any transaction described in this Section 5 unless such transaction is exempt from the prohibited transaction rules of ERISA and the Code. In addition, after the initial distribution of the Class E Notes and the Preference Shares, neither the Servicer nor any of its affiliates (as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation) shall acquire any Class E Notes or Preference Shares (including pursuant to the Extension Procedure or the Amendment Buy-Out Option) unless such acquisition would not, as determined by the Trustee in reliance on representations made in the applicable transfer certificates or other investor agreement with respect thereto or deemed made by holders thereof, result in persons that have represented that they are Benefit Plan Investors owning 25% or more of the aggregate outstanding amount of any of the Class E Notes, the Class I Preference Shares or

the Class II Preference Shares immediately after such acquisition (determined in accordance with Section 3(42) of ERISA, the Plan Asset Regulation, the Indenture and the Preference Share Documents). The Class E Notes and the Preference Shares held as principal by the Servicer or any of its affiliates shall be disregarded and shall not be treated as outstanding for purposes of determining compliance with such 25% limitation to the extent that such person has represented that it is not a Benefit Plan Investor.

6. Records; Confidentiality.

The Servicer shall maintain appropriate books of account and records relating to services performed hereunder, and such books of account and records shall be accessible for inspection by a representative of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Holders of the Securities and the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to the Indenture at a mutually agreed time during normal business hours and upon not less than three Business Days' prior notice. At no time shall the Servicer make a public announcement concerning the issuance of the Notes or the Preference Shares, the Servicer's role hereunder or any other aspect of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the Indenture. The Servicer shall keep confidential any and all information obtained in connection with the services rendered hereunder and shall not disclose any such information to non-affiliated third parties except (i) with the prior written consent of the Issuer, (ii) such information as either Rating Agency shall reasonably request in connection with the rating of any class of Securities, (iii) as required by law, regulation, court order or the rules or regulations of any self regulating organization, body or official having jurisdiction over the Servicer, (iv) to its professional advisers, (v) such information as shall have been publicly disclosed other than in violation of this Agreement, or (vi) such information that was or is obtained by the Servicer on a non-confidential basis, provided, that the Servicer does not know or have reason to know of any breach by such source of any confidentiality obligations with respect thereto. For purposes of this Section 6, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator and the Holders of the Securities shall in no event be considered "non-affiliated third parties."

Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement or the Indenture to the contrary, the Servicer, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Holders of the Securities (and the beneficial owners thereof) (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) may disclose to any and all Persons, without limitation of any kind, the U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to them relating to such U.S. tax treatment and U.S. tax structure, as such terms are defined under U.S. federal, state or local tax law.

7. Obligations of Servicer.

Unless otherwise specifically required by any provision of the Indenture or this Agreement or by applicable law, the Servicer shall use its best reasonable efforts to ensure that no action is taken by it, and shall not intentionally or with reckless disregard take any action, which would (a) materially adversely affect the Issuer or the Co-Issuer for purposes of Cayman Islands law, United States federal or state law or any other law known to the Servicer to be applicable to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, (b) not be permitted under the Issuer's or the Co-Issuer's respective governing instruments, (c) violate any law, rule or regulation of any governmental body or agency having jurisdiction over the Issuer or the Co-Issuer including, without limitation, any Cayman Islands or United States federal, state or other applicable securities law the violation of which has or could reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any of the Collateral, (d) require registration of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the pool of Collateral as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act, (e) cause the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to violate the terms of the Indenture, including, without limitation, any representations made by the Issuer or Co-Issuer therein, or any other agreement contemplated by the Indenture or (f) would subject the Issuer to U.S. federal or state net income or

franchise taxation. The Servicer covenants that it shall comply in all material respects with all laws and regulations applicable to it in connection with the performance of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, the Servicer shall not be required to take any action under this Agreement or the Indenture if such action would violate any applicable law, rule, regulation or court order.

8. Compensation.

(a) The Issuer shall pay to the Servicer, for services rendered and performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Servicing Fee, which shall be payable in such amounts and at such times as set forth in the Indenture. The provisions of the Indenture which relate to the amount and payment of the Servicing Fee shall not be amended without the written consent of the Servicer. If on any Payment Date there are insufficient funds to pay the Servicing Fee (and/or any other amounts due and payable to the Servicer) in full, the amount not so paid shall be deferred and shall be payable with accrued interest on such later Payment Date on which funds are available therefor as provided in the Indenture.

The Servicer hereby agrees to waive the Class II Preference Share Portion of the Servicing Fees deposited by the Trustee into the Class II Preference Share Special Payment Account pursuant to the Indenture, which would otherwise be payable to the Servicer as Servicing Fees, on each Payment Date prior to February 3, 2008. With respect to any Payment Date after February 3, 2008, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion, at any time waive a portion (or all) of its Servicing Fees then due and payable, in which event an amount equal to such waived portion will be paid by the Issuer as Class II Preference Share Special Payments pursuant to the Indenture; provided that with respect to the Payment Date in May 2008 such Class II Preference Share Special Payments will, at a minimum, include amounts that would otherwise constitute a portion (representing the Class II Preference Share Percentage) of the Servicing Fees that have accrued from the Payment Date in February 2008 through February 3, 2008. For purposes of any calculation under this Agreement and the Indenture, the Servicer shall be deemed to have received the Servicing Fee in an amount equal to the sum of the Servicing Fee actually paid to the Servicer and the amount distributed to the Holders of the Class II Preference Shares as Class II Preference Share Special Payments.

In addition, notwithstanding anything set out above, the Servicer may, in its sole discretion waive all or any portion of the Subordinate Servicing Fee or Supplemental Servicing Fee, any funds representing the waived Subordinate Servicing Fees or Supplemental Servicing Fees to be retained in the Collection Account for distribution as either Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds (as determined by the Servicer) pursuant to the Priority of Payments.

(b) The Servicer shall be responsible for the ordinary expenses incurred in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement and the Indenture; provided, however, that any extraordinary expenses actually incurred by the Servicer in the performance of such obligations (including, but not limited to, any fees, expenses or other amounts payable to the Rating Agencies, the Collateral Administrator, the Trustee and the accountants appointed by the Issuer, the reasonable expenses incurred by the Servicer to employ outside lawyers or consultants reasonably necessary in connection with the evaluation, transfer or restructuring of any Collateral Obligations or other unusual matters arising in the performance of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture, any reasonable expenses incurred by the Servicer in obtaining advice from outside counsel with respect to its obligations under this Agreement, brokerage commissions, transfer fees, registration costs, taxes and other similar costs and transaction related expenses and fees arising out of transactions effected for the Issuer's account and the portion allocated to the Issuer of any other fees and expenses that the Servicer customarily allocates among all of the funds or portfolios that it services or manages, including reasonable expenses

incurred with respect to any compliance requirements, including, but not limited to, compliance with the requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, related solely to the ownership or holding of any Securities by HFP or its Affiliates) shall be reimbursed by the Issuer to the extent funds are available therefor in accordance with and subject to the priority of payments and the other limitations contained in the Indenture.

(c) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 12, Section 14 or otherwise, the fees payable to the Servicer shall be prorated for any partial periods between Payment Dates during which this Agreement was in effect and shall be due and payable on the first Payment Date following the date of such termination and on any subsequent Payment Dates to the extent remaining unpaid and in accordance with, and to the extent provided in, the Indenture.

9. Benefit of the Agreement.

The Servicer agrees that its obligations hereunder shall be enforceable at the instance of the Issuer, the Trustee, on behalf of the Noteholders, or the requisite percentage of Noteholders or the Holders of the Preference Shares, as applicable, as provided in the Indenture or the Preference Share Paying Agency Agreement, as applicable.

10. Limits of Servicer Responsibility; Indemnification.

(a) The Servicer assumes no responsibility under this Agreement other than to render the services called for hereunder and under the terms of the Indenture made applicable to it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement in good faith and, subject to the standard of liability described in the next sentence, shall not be responsible for any action of the Issuer or the Trustee in following or declining to follow any advice, recommendation or direction of the Servicer. The Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, and its Affiliates and their directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees, shall not be liable to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person, for any losses, claims, damages, judgments, assessments, costs or other liabilities (collectively, "Liabilities") incurred by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, the Preference Shares Paying Agent, the Holders of the Securities or any other person, that arise out of or in connection with the performance by the Servicer of its duties under this Agreement and the Indenture, except by reason of (i) acts or omissions constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, gross negligence or breach of fiduciary duty in the performance, or reckless disregard, of the obligations of the Servicer hereunder and under the Indenture or (ii) with respect to any information included in the Offering Memorandum in the sections entitled "The Servicer" and "Risk Factors—Relating to Certain Conflicts of Interest—The Issuer Will Be Subject to Various Conflicts of Interest Involving the Servicer" and information in the Offering Memorandum relating to the Servicer Letter Disclosure that contain any untrue statement of material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (the preceding clauses (i) and (ii) collectively being the "Servicer Breaches"). For the avoidance of doubt, the Servicer shall have no duty to independently investigate any laws not otherwise known to it in connection with its obligations under this Agreement and the Indenture. The Servicer shall be liable for any non-waivable breaches of applicable securities laws. The Servicer shall be deemed to have satisfied Section 7(f) and the requirements of the Indenture and this Agreement relating to not causing the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes (including as those requirements relate to the acquisition (including manner of acquisition), ownership, enforcement, and disposition of Collateral) to the extent (i) the Servicer acts consistently with the Collateral Acquisition Agreement with respect to Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments and (ii) the Servicer does not have actual knowledge that its actions with respect to a Collateral Obligation or an Eligible Investment would violate Section 7(f).



(b) The Issuer shall indemnify and hold harmless (the Issuer in such case, the "Indemnifying Party") the Servicer, its directors, officers, stockholders, partners, agents and employees (such parties collectively in such case, the "Indemnified Parties") from and against any and all Liabilities, and shall reimburse each such Indemnified Party for all reasonable fees and expenses (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) (collectively, the "Expenses") as such Expenses are incurred in investigating, preparing, pursuing or defending any claim, action, proceeding or investigation with respect to any pending or threatened litigation (collectively, the "Actions"), caused by, or arising out of or in connection with, the issuance of the Securities, the transactions contemplated by the Offering Memorandum, the Indenture or this Agreement, and/or any action taken by, or any failure to act by, such Indemnified Party; provided, however, that no Indemnified Party shall be indemnified for any Liabilities or Expenses it incurs as a result of any acts or omissions by any Indemnified Party constituting Servicer Breaches. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the obligations of the Issuer under this Section 10 shall be payable solely out of the Collateral in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Indenture and shall survive termination of this Agreement.

(c) With respect to any claim made or threatened against an Indemnified Party, or compulsory process or request or other notice of any loss, claim, damage or liability served upon an Indemnified Party, for which such Indemnified Party is or may be entitled to indemnification under this Section 10, such Indemnified Party shall (or with respect to Indemnified Parties that are directors, officers, stockholders, agents or employees of the Servicer, the Servicer shall cause such Indemnified Party to):

(i) give written notice to the Indemnifying Party of such claim within ten (10) days after such Indemnified Party's receipt of actual notice that such claim is made or threatened, which notice to the Indemnifying Party shall specify in reasonable detail the nature of the claim and the amount (or an estimate of the amount) of the claim; provided, however, that the failure of any Indemnified Party to provide such notice to the Indemnifying Party shall not relieve the Indemnifying Party of its obligations under this Section 10 unless the Indemnifying Party is materially prejudiced or otherwise forfeits rights or defenses by reason of such failure;

(ii) at the Indemnifying Party's expense, provide the Indemnifying Party such information and cooperation with respect to such claim as the Indemnifying Party may reasonably require, including, but not limited to, making appropriate personnel available to the Indemnifying Party at such reasonable times as the Indemnifying Party may request;

(iii) at the Indemnifying Party's expense, cooperate and take all such steps as the Indemnifying Party may reasonably request to preserve and protect any defense to such claim;

(iv) in the event suit is brought with respect to such claim, upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Indemnifying Party the right, which the Indemnifying Party may exercise in its sole discretion and at its expense, to participate in the investigation, defense and settlement of such claim;

(v) neither incur any material expense to defend against nor release or settle any such claim or make any admission with respect thereto (other than routine or incontestable admissions or factual admissions the failure to make which would expose such Indemnified Party to unindemnified liability) nor permit a default or consent to the

entry of any judgment in respect thereof, in each case without the prior written consent of the Indemnifying Party; and

(vi) upon reasonable prior notice, afford to the Indemnifying Party the right, in its sole discretion and at its sole expense, to assume the defense of such claim, including, but not limited to, the right to designate counsel reasonably acceptable to the Indemnified Party and to control all negotiations, litigation, arbitration, settlements, compromises and appeals of such claim; provided, that if the Indemnifying Party assumes the defense of such claim, it shall not be liable for any fees and expenses of counsel for any Indemnified Party incurred thereafter in connection with such claim except that if such Indemnified Party reasonably determines that counsel designated by the Indemnifying Party has a conflict of interest in connection with its representation of such Indemnified Party, such Indemnifying Party shall pay the reasonable fees and disbursements of one counsel (in addition to any local counsel) separate from its own counsel for all Indemnified Parties in connection with any one action or separate but similar or related actions in the same jurisdiction arising out of the same general allegations or circumstances; provided, further, that prior to entering into any final settlement or compromise, such Indemnifying Party shall seek the consent of the Indemnified Party and use its commercially reasonable efforts in the light of the then prevailing circumstances (including, without limitation, any express or implied time constraint on any pending settlement offer) to obtain the consent of such Indemnified Party as to the terms of settlement or compromise. If an Indemnified Party does not consent to the settlement or compromise within a reasonable time under the circumstances, the Indemnifying Party shall not thereafter be obligated to indemnify the Indemnified Party for any amount in excess of such proposed settlement or compromise.

(d) In the event that any Indemnified Party waives its right to indemnification hereunder, the Indemnifying Party shall not be entitled to appoint counsel to represent such Indemnified Party nor shall the Indemnifying Party reimburse such Indemnified Party for any costs of counsel to such Indemnified Party.

(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, nothing herein shall in any way constitute a waiver or limitation of any rights which the Issuer or the Holders of the Securities may have under any U.S. federal securities laws.

#### 11. No Partnership or Joint Venture.

The Issuer and the Servicer are not partners or joint venturers with each other and nothing herein shall be construed to make them such partners or joint venturers or impose any liability as such on either of them. The Servicer's relation to the Issuer shall be deemed to be that of an independent contractor.

#### 12. Term; Termination.

(a) This Agreement shall commence as of the date first set forth above and shall continue in force and effect until the first of the following occurs: (i) the payment in full of the Notes, the termination of the Indenture in accordance with its terms and the redemption in full of the Preference Shares; (ii) the liquidation of the Collateral and the final distribution of the proceeds of such liquidation to the Holders of the Securities; or (iii) the termination of this Agreement in accordance with subsection (b), (c), (d) or (e) of this Section 12 or Section 14 of this Agreement.

(b) Subject to Section 12(e) below, the Servicer may resign, upon 90 days' written notice to the Issuer (or such shorter notice as is acceptable to the Issuer). If the Servicer resigns, the Issuer agrees to appoint a successor Servicer to assume such duties and obligations in accordance with Section 12(e).

(c) This Agreement shall be automatically terminated in the event that the Issuer determines in good faith that the Issuer or the pool of Collateral has become required to be registered under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, and the Issuer notifies the Servicer thereof.

(d) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to this Section 12, neither party shall have any further liability or obligation to the other, except as provided in Sections 2(c)(i), 8, 10 and 15 of this Agreement.

(e) No removal or resignation of the Servicer shall be effective unless:

(i) (A) the Issuer appoints a successor Servicer at the written direction of a Majority of the Preference Shares (excluding any Preference Shares held by the retiring Servicer, any of its Affiliates or any account over which the retiring Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority other than, with respect to the Class II Preference Shares, HFP; provided that, with respect to the voting authority of Class II Preference Shares owned by HFP, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP and certified in writing to the Preference Shares Paying Agent by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP) (each such non-excluded Preference Share, a "Voting Preference Share"), (B) such successor Servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the retiring Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes held by the retiring Servicer, its Affiliates or any account over which the retiring Servicer or its Affiliates have discretionary voting authority other than HFP; provided that, with respect to the voting authority of Notes owned by HFP, such vote shall not be excluded only if such vote is determined by a vote of the majority of the "independent directors" (determined in accordance with the governing documents of HFP and certified in writing to the Trustee by any of the "independent directors" of HFP) of HFP) (each such non-excluded Note, a "Voting Note") or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single class);

(ii) if a majority of the Voting Preference Shares has nominated two or more successor Servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) or has failed to appoint a successor Servicer that has not been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) within 60 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer, (A) the Issuer appoints a successor Servicer at the written direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes), (B) such successor Servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the retiring Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture and (C) such successor Servicer is not objected to within 30 days after notice of such succession by either (x) Majority of the Voting Preference Shares or (y) a Majority in Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Voting Notes (voting as a single class); or

(iii) if a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and a Super Majority of the Controlling Class (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) has nominated two or more successor Servicers that have been objected to pursuant to the preceding clauses (i)(C) and (ii)(C) or has otherwise failed to appoint a successor Servicer that has not been objected to pursuant to the preceding clause (i)(C) or (ii) (C) within 120 days of the date of notice of such removal or resignation of the Servicer, (A) any Holder of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes), any Holder of Voting Preference Shares or the Trustee petitions a court of competent authority to appoint a successor Servicer, (B) such court appoints a successor Servicer and (C) such successor Servicer has agreed in writing to assume all of the retiring Servicer's duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture.

In addition, any successor Servicer must be an established institution which (i) has demonstrated an ability to professionally and competently perform duties similar to those imposed upon the Servicer hereunder, (ii) is legally qualified and has the capacity to act as Servicer hereunder, as successor to the Servicer under this Agreement in the assumption of all of the responsibilities, duties and obligations of the Servicer hereunder and under the applicable terms of the Indenture, (iii) shall not cause the Issuer or the pool of Collateral to become required to register under the provisions of the Investment Company Act, (iv) shall perform its duties as Servicer under this Agreement and the Indenture without causing the Issuer, the Co Issuer or any Holder of Preference Shares to become subject to tax in any jurisdiction where such successor Servicer is established as doing business and (v) each Rating Agency has confirmed that the appointment of such successor Servicer shall not cause its then current rating of any Class of Notes to be reduced or withdrawn. No compensation payable to a successor Servicer from payments on the Collateral shall be greater than that paid to the retiring Servicer without the prior written consent of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes, a Majority of the Noteholders and a Majority of the Preference Shares. The Issuer, the Trustee and the successor Servicer shall take such action (or cause the retiring Servicer to take such action) consistent with this Agreement and the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer, as shall be necessary to effectuate any such succession.

(f) In the event of removal of the Servicer pursuant to this Agreement, the Issuer shall have all of the rights and remedies available with respect thereto at law or equity, and, without limiting the foregoing, the Issuer or, to the extent so provided in the Indenture, the Trustee may by notice in writing to the Servicer as provided under this Agreement terminate all the rights and obligations of the Servicer under this Agreement (except those that survive termination pursuant to Section 12(d) above). Upon expiration of the applicable notice period with respect to termination specified in this Section 12 or Section 14 of this Agreement, as applicable, all authority and power of the Servicer under this Agreement, whether with respect to the Collateral or otherwise, shall automatically and without further action by any person or entity pass to and be vested in the successor Servicer upon the appointment thereof.

### 13. Delegation; Assignments.

This Agreement, and any obligations or duties of the Servicer hereunder, shall not be delegated by the Servicer, in whole or in part, except to any entity that (i) is controlled by any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers and (ii) is one in which any of James Dondero, Mark Okada and Todd Travers is involved in the day to day management and operations (and in any such case pursuant to an instrument of delegation in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer), without the prior written consent of the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and, notwithstanding any such consent, no delegation of obligations or duties by the Servicer (including, without limitation, to an entity described above) shall relieve the Servicer from any liability hereunder.

Subject to Section 12, any assignment of this Agreement to any Person, in whole or in part, by the Servicer shall be deemed null and void unless (i) such assignment is consented to in writing by the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares and (ii) the Rating Agency Confirmation is satisfied with respect to any such assignment. Any assignment consented to by the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares shall bind the assignee hereunder in the same manner as the Servicer is bound. In addition, the assignee shall execute and deliver to the Issuer and the Trustee a counterpart of this Agreement naming such assignee as Servicer. Upon the execution and delivery of such a counterpart by the assignee and consent thereto by the Issuer, a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) and a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares, the Servicer shall be released from further obligations pursuant to this Agreement, except with respect to its obligations arising under Section 10 of this Agreement prior to such assignment and except with respect to its obligations under Sections 2(c)(i) and 15 hereof. This Agreement shall not be assigned by the Issuer without the prior written consent of the Servicer and the Trustee, except in the case of assignment by the Issuer to (i) an entity which is a successor to the Issuer permitted under the Indenture, in which case such successor organization shall be bound hereunder and by the terms of said assignment in the same manner as the Issuer is bound thereunder or (ii) the Trustee as contemplated by the Indenture. In the event of any assignment by the Issuer, the Issuer shall cause its successor to execute and deliver to the Servicer such documents as the Servicer shall consider reasonably necessary to effect fully such assignment. The Servicer hereby consents to the matters set forth in Article 15 of the Indenture.

14. Termination by the Issuer for Cause.

Subject to Section 12(e) above, this Agreement shall be terminated and the Servicer shall be removed by the Issuer for cause upon 10 days' prior written notice to the Servicer and upon written notice to the Holders of the Securities as set forth below, but only if directed to do so by (1) the Trustee, acting at the direction of a Super Majority of the Controlling Class of Notes (excluding any Notes that are not Voting Notes) or (2) the Holders of a Majority of the Voting Preference Shares. For purposes of determining "cause" with respect to any such termination of this Agreement, such term shall mean any one of the following events:

(a) the Servicer willfully breaches in any respect, or takes any action that it knows violates in any respect, any provision of this Agreement or any terms of the Indenture applicable to it;

(b) the Servicer breaches in any material respect any provision of this Agreement or any terms of the Indenture or the Collateral Administration Agreement applicable to it, or any representation, warranty, certification or statement given in writing by the Servicer shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or given, and the Servicer fails to cure such breach or take such action so that the facts (after giving effect to such action) conform in all material respects to such representation, warranty, certificate or statement, in each case within 30 days of becoming aware of, or receiving notice from, the Trustee of, such breach or materially incorrect representation, warranty, certificate or statement;

(c) the Servicer is wound up or dissolved (other than a dissolution in which the remaining members elect to continue the business of the Servicer in accordance with its Governing Instruments) or there is appointed over it or a substantial portion of its assets a receiver, administrator, administrative receiver, trustee or similar officer, or the Servicer (i) ceases to be able to, or admits in writing its inability to, pay its debts as they become due and payable, or makes a general assignment for the benefit of or enters into any composition or arrangement with, its creditors generally; (ii) applies for

or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, assignee, custodian, liquidator or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Servicer or of any substantial part of its properties or assets, or authorizes such an application or consent, or proceedings seeking such appointment are commenced without such authorization, consent or application against the Servicer and continue undismissed for 60 days; (iii) authorizes or files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, or applies for or consents (by admission of material allegations of a petition or otherwise) to the application of any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, readjustment of debt, insolvency or dissolution, or authorizes such application or consent, or proceedings to such end are instituted against the Servicer without such authorization, application or consent and are approved as properly instituted and remain undismissed for 60 days or result in adjudication of bankruptcy or insolvency; or (iv) permits or suffers all or any substantial part of its properties or assets to be sequestered or attached by court order and the order remains undismissed for 60 days;

(d) the occurrence of any Event of Default under the Indenture that results from any breach by the Servicer of its duties under the Indenture or this Agreement, which breach or default is not cured within any applicable cure period; or

(e) (x) the occurrence of an act by the Servicer related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business that constitutes fraud, (y) the Servicer being indicted, or any of its principals being convicted, of a felony criminal offense related to its activities in any servicing, securities, financial advisory or other investment business or (z) the Servicer being indicted for, adjudged liable in a civil suit for, or convicted of a violation of the Securities Act or any other United States Federal securities law or any rules or regulations thereunder.

If any of the events specified in this Section 14 shall occur, the Servicer shall give prompt written notice thereof to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Holders of all outstanding Notes and Preference Shares upon the Servicer's becoming aware of the occurrence of such event.

#### 15. Action Upon Termination.

(a) From and after the effective date of termination of this Agreement, the Servicer shall not be entitled to compensation for further services hereunder, but shall be paid all compensation accrued to the date of termination, as provided in Section 8 hereof, and shall be entitled to receive any amounts owing under Section 10 hereof. Upon the effective date of termination of this Agreement, the Servicer shall as soon as practicable:

(i) deliver to the Issuer all property and documents of the Trustee or the Issuer or otherwise relating to the Collateral then in the custody of the Servicer; and

(ii) deliver to the Trustee an accounting with respect to the books and records delivered to the Trustee or the successor Servicer appointed pursuant to Section 12(e) hereof.

Notwithstanding such termination, the Servicer shall remain liable to the extent set forth herein (but subject to Section 10 hereof) for its acts or omissions hereunder arising prior to termination and for any expenses, losses, damages, liabilities, demands, charges and claims (including reasonable attorneys' fees) in respect of or arising out of a breach of the representations and warranties made by the Servicer in Section 16(b) hereof or from any failure of the Servicer to comply with the provisions of this Section 15.

(b) The Servicer agrees that, notwithstanding any termination of this Agreement, it shall reasonably cooperate in any Proceeding arising in connection with this Agreement, the Indenture or any of the Collateral (excluding any such Proceeding in which claims are asserted against the Servicer or any Affiliate of the Servicer) upon receipt of appropriate indemnification and expense reimbursement.

16. Representations and Warranties.

(a) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants to the Servicer as follows:

(i) The Issuer has been duly registered and is validly existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands, has full power and authority to own its assets and the securities proposed to be owned by it and included in the Collateral and to transact the business in which it is presently engaged and is duly qualified under the laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the Indenture or the Securities would require, such qualification, except for failures to be so qualified, authorized or licensed that would not in the aggregate have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Issuer.

(ii) The Issuer has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement, the Indenture and the Securities and all obligations required hereunder and thereunder and has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement, the Indenture and the Securities on the terms and conditions hereof and thereof and the execution by the Issuer, delivery and performance of this Agreement, the Indenture and the Securities and the performance of all obligations imposed upon it hereunder and thereunder. No consent of any other person including, without limitation, shareholders and creditors of the Issuer, and no license, permit, approval or authorization of, exemption by, notice or report to, or registration, filing or declaration with, any governmental authority, other than those that may be required under state securities or "blue sky" laws and those that have been or shall be obtained in connection with the Indenture and the Securities is required by the Issuer in connection with this Agreement, the Indenture and the Securities or the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Agreement, the Indenture and the Securities or the obligations imposed upon it hereunder or thereunder. This Agreement constitutes, and each instrument or document required hereunder, when executed and delivered hereunder, shall constitute, the legally valid and binding obligation of the Issuer enforceable against the Issuer in accordance with its terms, subject to (a) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights and (b) general equitable principles.

(iii) The execution by the Issuer, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the documents and instruments required hereunder shall not violate any provision of any existing law or regulation binding on the Issuer, or any order, judgment, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or governmental authority binding on the Issuer, or the Governing Instruments of, or any securities issued by, the Issuer or of any mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking to which the Issuer is a party or by which the Issuer or any of its assets may be bound, the violation of which would have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Issuer, and shall not result in or require the creation or imposition of any lien on any of its property, assets or revenues pursuant to the provisions

of any such mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking (other than the lien of the Indenture).

(iv) The Issuer is not in violation of its Governing Instruments or in breach or violation of or in default under the Indenture or any contract or agreement to which it is a party or by which it or any of its assets may be bound, or any applicable statute or any rule, regulation or order of any court, government agency or body having jurisdiction over the Issuer or its properties, the breach or violation of which or default under which would have a material adverse effect on the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the performance by the Issuer of its duties hereunder.

(v) True and complete copies of the Indenture and the Issuer's Governing Instruments have been delivered to the Servicer.

The Issuer agrees to deliver a true and complete copy of each amendment to the documents referred to in Section 16(a)(v) above to the Servicer as promptly as practicable after its adoption or execution.

(b) The Servicer hereby represents and warrants to the Issuer as follows:

(i) The Servicer is a limited partnership duly organized and validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware, has full power and authority to own its assets and to transact the business in which it is currently engaged and is duly qualified and in good standing under the laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires, or the performance of this Agreement would require such qualification, except for those jurisdictions in which the failure to be so qualified, authorized or licensed would not have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Servicer or on the ability of the Servicer to perform its obligations under, or on the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement and the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer.

(ii) The Servicer has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement and all obligations required hereunder and under the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer, and has taken all necessary action to authorize this Agreement on the terms and conditions hereof and the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and all obligations required hereunder and under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer. No consent of any other person, including, without limitation, creditors of the Servicer, and no license, permit, approval or authorization of, exemption by, notice or report to, or registration, filing or declaration with, any governmental authority is required by the Servicer in connection with this Agreement or the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the obligations required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer. This Agreement has been, and each instrument and document required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer shall be, executed and delivered by a duly authorized partner of the Servicer, and this Agreement constitutes, and each instrument and document required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer when executed and delivered by the Servicer hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer shall constitute, the valid and legally binding obligations of the Servicer enforceable against the Servicer in accordance with their terms, subject to (a) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency or



similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights and (b) general equitable principles.

(iii) The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer and the documents and instruments required hereunder or under the terms of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer shall not violate or conflict with any provision of any existing law or regulation binding on or applicable to the Servicer, or any order, judgment, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or governmental authority binding on the Servicer, or the Governing Instruments of, or any securities issued by the Servicer or of any mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking to which the Servicer is a party or by which the Servicer or any of its assets may be bound, the violation of which would have a material adverse effect on the business, operations, assets or financial condition of the Servicer or its ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement and the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer, and shall not result in or require the creation or imposition of any lien on any of its material property, assets or revenues pursuant to the provisions of any such mortgage, indenture, lease, contract or other agreement, instrument or undertaking.

(iv) There is no charge, investigation, action, suit or proceeding before or by any court pending or, to the best knowledge of the Servicer, threatened that, if determined adversely to the Servicer, would have a material adverse effect upon the performance by the Servicer of its duties under, or on the validity or enforceability of, this Agreement and the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer.

(v) The Servicer is a registered investment adviser under the Advisers Act.

(vi) The Servicer is not in violation of its Governing Instruments or in breach or violation of or in default under any contract or agreement to which it is a party or by which it or any of its property may be bound, or any applicable statute or any rule, regulation or order of any court, government agency or body having jurisdiction over the Servicer or its properties, the breach or violation of which or default under which would have a material adverse effect on the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the provisions of the Indenture applicable to the Servicer, or the performance by the Servicer of its duties hereunder.

#### 17. Notices.

Unless expressly provided otherwise herein, all notices, requests, demands and other communications required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing (including by telecopy) and shall be deemed to have been duly given, made and received when delivered against receipt or upon actual receipt of registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, or, in the case of telecopy notice, when received in legible form, addressed as set forth below:

(a) If to the Issuer:

Westchester CLO, Ltd.  
P.O. Box 1093GT, Queensgate House  
South Church Street, George Town  
Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands  
Telecopy: (345) 945-7100  
Attention: The Directors

(b) If to the Servicer:

Highland Capital Management, L.P.  
Two Galleria Tower  
13455 Noel Road, Suite 1300  
Dallas, Texas 75240  
Telephone: (972) 628-4100  
Telecopy: (972) 628-4147  
Attention: James Dondero

(c) If to the Trustee:

Investors Bank & Trust Company  
200 Claredon Street  
Mailcode: EUC-108  
Boston, Massachusetts 02116  
Telecopy: (617) 351-4358  
Attention: CDO Services Group

(d) If to the Noteholders:

In accordance with Section 14.4 of the Indenture, at their respective addresses set forth on the Note Register.

(e) If to the Holders of the Preference Shares:

In accordance with Section 14.4 of the Indenture, to the Preference Shares Paying Agent at the address identified therein.

(f) if to the Rating Agencies:

In accordance with Section 14.3 of the Indenture, to the rating Agencies at the address identified therein.

Any party may alter the address or telecopy number to which communications or copies are to be sent by giving notice of such change of address in conformity with the provisions of this Section 17 for the giving of notice.

18. Binding Nature of Agreement; Successors and Assigns.

This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns as provided herein. The

Servicer hereby consents to the collateral assignment of this Agreement as provided in the Indenture and further agrees that the Trustee may enforce the Servicer's obligations hereunder.

19. Entire Agreement.

This Agreement contains the entire agreement and understanding among the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements, understandings, inducements and conditions, express or implied, oral or written, of any nature whatsoever with respect to the subject matter hereof. The express terms hereof control and supersede any course of performance and/or usage of the trade inconsistent with any of the terms hereof. This Agreement may not be modified or amended other than by an agreement in writing executed by the parties hereto and in accordance with the terms of Section 15.1(h) of the Indenture.

20. Conflict with the Indenture.

Subject to the last two sentences of Section 2(a)(i), in the event that this Agreement requires any action to be taken with respect to any matter and the Indenture requires that a different action be taken with respect to such matter, and such actions are mutually exclusive, the provisions of the Indenture in respect thereof shall control.

21. Priority of Payments.

The Servicer agrees that the payment of all amounts to which it is entitled pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture shall be due and payable only in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Indenture and only to the extent funds are available for such payments in accordance with such priorities.

22. Governing Law.

**THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS PROVISIONS THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION.**

23. Indulgences Not Waivers.

Neither the failure nor any delay on the part of any party hereto to exercise any right, remedy, power or privilege under this Agreement shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power or privilege preclude any other or further exercise of the same or of any other right, remedy, power or privilege, nor shall any waiver of any right, remedy, power or privilege with respect to any occurrence be construed as a waiver of such right, remedy, power or privilege with respect to any other occurrence. No waiver shall be effective unless it is in writing and is signed by the party asserted to have granted such waiver.

24. Costs and Expenses.

Except as may otherwise be agreed in writing, the costs and expenses (including the fees and disbursements of counsel and accountants) incurred by each party in connection with the negotiation and preparation of and the execution of this Agreement, and all matters incident thereto, shall be borne by such party.

25. Titles Not to Affect Interpretation.

The titles of paragraphs and subparagraphs contained in this Agreement are for convenience only, and they neither form a part of this Agreement nor are they to be used in the construction or interpretation hereof.

26. Execution in Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts by facsimile or other written form of communication, each of which shall be deemed to be an original as against any party whose signature appears thereon, and all of which shall together constitute one and the same instrument. This Agreement shall become binding when one or more counterparts hereof, individually or taken together, shall bear the signatures of all of the parties reflected hereon as the signatories.

27. Provisions Separable.

In case any provision in this Agreement shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable as written, such provision shall be construed in the manner most closely resembling the apparent intent of the parties with respect to such provision so as to be valid, legal and enforceable; provided, however, that if there is no basis for such a construction, such provision shall be ineffective only to the extent of such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability and, unless the ineffectiveness of such provision destroys the basis of the bargain for one of the parties to this Agreement, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions hereof or thereof shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

28. Number and Gender.

Words used herein, regardless of the number and gender specifically used, shall be deemed and construed to include any other number, singular or plural, and any other gender, masculine, feminine or neuter, as the context requires.

29. Written Disclosure Statement.

The Issuer and the Trustee acknowledge receipt of Part II of the Servicer's Form ADV filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, as required by Rule 204-3 under the Advisers Act, more than 48 hours prior to the date of execution of this Agreement.

30. Miscellaneous.

(a) In the event that any vote is solicited with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, shall vote or refrain from voting any such security in any manner permitted by the Indenture that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities. In addition, with respect to any Defaulted Collateral Obligation, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, may instruct the trustee for such Defaulted Collateral Obligation to enforce the Issuer's rights under the Underlying Instruments governing such Defaulted Collateral Obligation and any applicable law, rule or regulation in any manner permitted under the Indenture that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities. In the event any Offer is made with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the Servicer, on behalf of the Issuer, may take such action as is permitted by the Indenture and that the Servicer has determined in its reasonable judgment shall be in the best interests of the Holders of the Securities.

(b) In connection with taking or omitting any action under the Indenture or this Agreement, the Servicer may consult with counsel and may rely in good faith on the advice of such counsel or any opinion of counsel.

Any corporation, partnership or limited liability company into which the Servicer may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any corporation, partnership or limited liability company resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Servicer shall be a party, or any corporation, partnership or limited liability company succeeding to all or substantially all of the servicing and collateral management business of the Servicer, shall be the successor to the Servicer without any further action by the Servicer, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Noteholders or any other person or entity.

31. Limitation of Liabilities.


The Issuer's obligations hereunder are solely the corporate obligations of the Issuer and the Servicer shall not have any recourse to any of the directors, officers, shareholders, members or incorporators of the Issuer with respect to any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations in connection with any transactions contemplated hereby, except for any claims, losses, damages, liabilities, indemnities or other obligations caused by the gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct of such directors, officers, shareholders, members or incorporators of the Issuer. The obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be limited to the net proceeds of the Collateral, if any, as applied in accordance with the Priorities of Payments pursuant to the Indenture, and following realization of the Collateral and its application in accordance with the Indenture, any outstanding obligations of the Issuer hereunder shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. The provisions of this section shall survive termination of this Agreement.

32. Consent to Posting of Documents on Repository.

The Servicer hereby consents to (i) the posting of the final Offering Memorandum, the Indenture and any Hedge Agreements (collectively, the "Documents") and the periodic reports to be delivered pursuant to the Documents and any amendments or other modifications thereto on the Repository (as such term is defined in the Indenture) for use in the manner provided in the Repository; and (ii) the display of its name on the Repository in connection therewith.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,  
as Servicer

By:   
Name: Todd Travers  
Title: Senior Portfolio Manager  
Title: Highland Capital Management, L.P.

WESTCHESTER CLO, LTD.,  
as Issuer

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

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HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,  
as Servicer

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

WESTCHESTER CLO, LTD.,  
as Issuer

By:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Name:  
Title: **Chris Marett**  
**Director**

## **EXHIBIT VVV**



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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

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**FORM N-2**  
(Check appropriate box or boxes)  
**REGISTRATION STATEMENT**  
*UNDER*  
**THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933** ☒  
**Pre-Effective Amendment No. 1**  
**AND**  
**REGISTRATION STATEMENT**  
*UNDER*  
**THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940** ☒  
**Amendment No. 36**

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**NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in the Declaration of Trust)

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**Approximate Date of Proposed Public Offering:**  
**From time to time after the effective date of this Registration Statement.**

If any of the securities being registered on this form are offered on a delayed or continuous basis in reliance on Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered in connection with a dividend reinvestment plan, check the following box. ☒

It is proposed that this filing will become effective (check appropriate box)

☒ when declared effective pursuant to section 8(c)

☐ on March 19, 2018 pursuant to Rule 486(b) as applied by no-action relief granted to the Registrant on June 26, 2013

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**CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933**

<b>Title of Securities Being Registered</b>	<b>Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price (1)</b>	<b>Amount of Registration Fee</b>
Preferred Shares of Beneficial Interest (2)		
Subscription Rights for Preferred Shares (2)		
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$500,000,000</b>	<b>\$60,600.00(3)</b>

- (1) Estimated pursuant to Rule 457(o) solely for the purpose of determining the registration fee. The proposed maximum offering price per security will be determined, from time to time, by the Registrant in connection with the sale by the Registrant of the securities registered under this registration statement.
- (2) There is being registered hereunder an indeterminate principal amount of preferred shares or subscription rights to purchase preferred shares as may be sold, from time to time. In no event will the aggregate offering price of all securities issued from time to time pursuant to this registration statement exceed \$500,000,000.
- (3) A registration fee amount of \$60,600 was paid with respect to the Registrant's registration statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-230078 filed on March 5, 2019).

The registrant hereby amends this registration statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically state that this registration statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 or until the registration statement shall become effective on such dates as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

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# NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund

Prospectus dated August 27, 2019

## Preferred Shares

### Subscription Rights to Purchase Preferred Shares

NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund (formerly, NexPoint Credit Strategies Fund) is a non-diversified, closed-end management investment company that commenced operations on June 29, 2006, following its initial public offering. Throughout this Prospectus, NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund is referred to as the “Trust.”

The Trust’s investment objectives are to provide both current income and capital appreciation. The Trust seeks to achieve its investment objectives by investing primarily in the following categories of securities and instruments of corporations and other business entities: (i) secured and unsecured floating and fixed rate loans; (ii) bonds and other debt obligations; (iii) debt obligations of stressed, distressed and bankrupt issuers; (iv) structured products, including but not limited to, mortgage-backed and other asset-backed securities and collateralized debt obligations; (v) equities; (vi) other investment companies, including business development companies (“BDCs”); and (vii) real estate investment trusts (“REITs”). The Trust may also invest in derivative instruments that have economic characteristics similar to instruments in investment categories (i) - (vii). Subject to these general guidelines, NexPoint Advisors, L.P. (the “Investment Adviser”) has broad discretion to allocate the Trust’s assets among these investment categories and other investments and to change allocations as conditions warrant.

Additionally, the Trust has a fundamental policy to concentrate its investments in the real estate industry, and, under normal market conditions, the Trust invests at least 25% of the value of its total assets at the time of purchase in the securities of issuers conducting their principal business activities in the real estate industry.

You should read this Prospectus and the related Prospectus Supplement, which contains important information about the Trust, before deciding whether to invest, and retain it for future reference. A Statement of Additional Information (“SAI”), dated August 27, containing additional information about the Trust has been filed with the Commission and is incorporated by reference in its entirety into this Prospectus. You can review the table of contents of the SAI on page 110 of this Prospectus. You may request a free copy of the SAI request the Trust’s most recent annual and semi-annual reports, request information about the Trust and make shareholder inquiries by calling 1-866-351-4440 or by writing to the Trust at 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201. You may also obtain a copy of the SAI (and other information regarding the Trust) from the Commission’s Public Reference Room in Washington, D.C. by calling 1-202-551-8090. The Commission charges a fee for copies. The Trust’s most recent annual and semi-annual reports are available, free of charge, on the Trust’s website at [www.nexpointadvisors.com](http://www.nexpointadvisors.com). You can obtain the same information, free of charge, from the Commission’s web site at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

**Investing in our securities involves a high degree of risk and may be considered speculative. Before investing in the Trust’s securities, you should read the discussion of the material risks of investing in the Trust, including the risks of leverage, in the “Principal Risks of the Trust” section of this Prospectus.**

**Neither the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined that this Prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.**

Beginning on January 1, 2021, as permitted by regulations adopted by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, paper copies of the Fund’s annual and semi-annual shareholder reports will no longer be sent by mail, unless you specifically request paper copies of the reports. Instead, the reports will be made available on the Fund’s website ([highlandfunds.com](http://highlandfunds.com)), and you will be notified by mail each time a report is posted and provided with a website link to access the report.

If you already elected to receive shareholder reports electronically, you will not be affected by this change and you need not take any action. You may elect to receive shareholder reports and other communications from a Fund electronically by contacting your

financial intermediary (such as a broker-dealer or bank) or, if you are a direct investor, by contacting the Fund's transfer agent at 1-877-665-1287.

Beginning on January 1, 2019, you may elect to receive all future reports in paper free of charge. If you invest through a financial intermediary, you can contact your financial intermediary to request that you continue to receive paper copies of your shareholder reports. If you invest directly with the Fund, you can call 1-877-665-1287 to let the Fund know you wish to continue receiving paper copies of your shareholder reports. Your election to receive reports in paper will apply to all funds held in your account if you invest through your financial intermediary or all funds held with the fund complex if you invest directly with the Fund.

The Trust's securities do not represent a deposit or obligation of, and are not guaranteed or endorsed by, any bank or other insured depository institution, and are not federally insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Federal Reserve Board or any other government agency.

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You should rely only on the information contained or incorporated by reference in this Prospectus. The Trust has not authorized any other person to provide you with different information. If anyone provides you with different or inconsistent information, you should not rely on it. The Trust is not making an offer to sell these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted. The information in this Prospectus and any accompanying Prospectus Supplements is accurate only as of the date of this Prospectus or such Prospectus Supplement, as applicable, and under no circumstances should the delivery of this Prospectus or any accompanying Prospectus Supplement or the sale of any securities imply that the information in this Prospectus or such accompanying Prospectus Supplement is accurate as of any later date or that the affairs of the Trust have not changed since the date hereof or thereof. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since then. We will update the information in these documents to reflect material changes only as required by law.

[Table of Contents](#)**Cautionary Notice Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

This Prospectus and the SAI contain “forward-looking statements.” Forward-looking statements relate to future events or the Trust’s future financial performance. Forward-looking statements can generally be identified by terminology such as “may,” “will,” “should,” “expects,” “plans,” “anticipates,” “could,” “intends,” “target,” “projects,” “contemplates,” “believes,” “estimates,” “predicts,” “potential” or “continue” or the negative of these terms or other similar words. Important assumptions in forward-looking statements include the Trust’s ability to acquire or originate new investments and to achieve certain margins and levels of profitability. In light of these and other uncertainties, the inclusion of a projection or forward-looking statement should not be regarded as a representation by the Trust that its plans or objectives will be achieved.

There are a number of important risks and uncertainties that could cause the Trust’s actual results to differ materially from those indicated by such forward-looking statements. These risks include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Investment risk;
- Changes in interest rates;
- Risks associated with investing in high yield securities (also known as “junk securities”), senior loans and other debt and equity securities;
- Risks of investing in obligations of stressed, distressed and bankrupt issuers;
- Risks associated with the Trust’s use of leverage;
- Risk associated with investments in REITs;
- Derivatives and structured finance securities risk; and
- Market risk generally.

For a discussion of these and additional risks as well as other factors that could cause the Trust’s actual results to differ from forward-looking statements contained in this Prospectus and in the SAI please see the discussion under “Principal Risks of the Trust.” You should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements made in this Prospectus and in the SAI relate only to events as of the date on which the statements are made. The Trust undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statement to reflect events or circumstances occurring after the date of this Prospectus and SAI except as required by federal securities laws.

The forward-looking statements contained in this Prospectus are excluded from the safe harbor protection provided by Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the forward looking statements contained in our periodic reports are excluded from the safe harbor protection provided by Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

**About this Prospectus**

This Prospectus is part of a registration statement that we have filed with the Commission using the “shelf” registration process. Under the shelf registration process, we may offer, from time to time, in one or more offerings or series, up to \$500,000,000 of our fixed rate preferred shares or subscription rights for fixed rate preferred shares, on the terms to be determined at the time of the offering. The securities may be offered at prices and on terms described in one or more Supplements to this Prospectus. This Prospectus provides you with a general description of the securities that we may offer. Each time we use this Prospectus to offer securities, we will provide a Prospectus Supplement that will contain specific information about the terms of that offering. The Prospectus Supplement may also add, update or change information contained in this Prospectus. Please carefully read this Prospectus and any Prospectus Supplement, together with any exhibits, any material terms of which will be summarized in the Prospectus and any applicable Prospectus Supplement, and the additional information described under the headings “Principal Risks of the Trust” and “Where You Can Find Additional Information” before you make an investment decision.



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*The following summary highlights information contained elsewhere in this Prospectus. This summary may not contain all of the information that you should consider before investing in the Trust. You should review the more detailed information contained in this Prospectus and in the Statement of Additional Information, especially the information set forth under the heading "Principal Risks of the Trust."*

**The Trust**

The Trust is a non-diversified, closed-end management investment company. The Trust commenced operations on June 29, 2006, following its initial public offering.

**Offerings**

The Trust may offer, on an immediate, continuous or delayed basis, in one or more offerings (each, an "Offering" and together, the "Offerings"), up to \$500,000,000 of the Trust's fixed rate preferred shares or rights to purchase fixed rate preferred shares (sometimes referred to as subscription rights), which we refer to collectively as the "securities," on terms to be determined at the time of the Offerings. The securities may be offered at prices and on terms to be set forth in one or more Prospectus Supplements to this Prospectus, unless otherwise required by the Commission or its staff. Offerings of the securities will be subject to the provisions of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"), which generally require that the price at which a closed-end investment company sells its common shares (exclusive of distribution commissions and discounts) must equal or exceed the net asset value per share of a company's common shares (calculated within 48 hours of pricing), except (i) in connection with a rights offering to our existing shareholders, (ii) with the consent of the majority of our common shareholders, or (iii) under such circumstances as the Commission may permit. Any offering of securities by a closed-end investment company that requires shareholder approval must occur, if at all, within one year after receiving such shareholder approval.

The Prospectus Supplement relating to any sale of fixed rate preferred shares will set forth the liquidation preference and information about the dividend period, dividend rate, any call protection or non-call period and other matters. The Prospectus Supplement relating to any offering of subscription rights will set forth the number of common and/or fixed rate preferred shares issuable upon the exercise of each right and the other terms of such rights offering. You should read this Prospectus and the related Prospectus Supplement carefully before you decide to invest in any of the securities.

While the aggregate number and amount of securities we may issue pursuant to this registration statement is limited to \$500,000,000 of securities, our Board of Trustees (the "Board") may, without any action by the shareholders, amend our Agreement and Declaration of Trust from time to time to increase or decrease the aggregate number of shares or the number of shares of any class or series that we have authority to issue.

The Trust may offer the securities directly to one or more purchasers, through agents that the Trust or the purchasers designate from time to time, or to or through underwriters or dealers (including agents, underwriters or dealers affiliated with the Trust's investment adviser). The Prospectus Supplement relating to the Offering will identify any agents or underwriters involved in the sale of the securities, and will set forth any applicable purchase price, fee, commission or discount arrangement between the Trust and such agents or underwriters or among underwriters or the basis upon which such amount may be calculated. See "Plan of Distribution." The securities may not be sold through agents, underwriters or dealers without delivery of a Prospectus Supplement describing the method and terms of the Offering. The Trust (and thus, indirectly, the Trust's common shareholders) will bear all of the expenses of any such offering.

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**Preferred Shares**

The term the preferred shares may be fixed by the Board and may materially limit and/or qualify the rights of holders of the Trust's common shares. If the Trust's Board determines that it may be advantageous to the holders of the Trust's common shares for the Trust to utilize additional leverage, the Trust may issue additional series of fixed rate preferred shares. Any fixed rate preferred shares issued by the Trust will pay distributions at a fixed rate. Leverage creates a greater risk of loss as well as a potential for more gains for the common shares than if leverage were not used. The Trust may also determine in the future to issue other forms of senior securities, such as securities representing debt, subject to the limitations of the Investment Company Act. The Trust may also engage in investment management techniques which will not be considered senior securities if the Trust establishes a segregated account with cash or other liquid assets or sets aside assets on the accounting records equal to the Trust's obligations in respect of such techniques. The Trust may also borrow money, to the extent permitted by the Investment Company Act.

**Investment Adviser and Administrator**

NexPoint Advisors, L.P. (the "Investment Adviser") is the investment adviser and administrator of the Trust. As of June 30, 2019, the Investment Adviser, together with its affiliates, managed approximately \$9.9 billion in assets on behalf of investors around the world. In return for its advisory services, the Investment Adviser receives an annual fee, payable monthly, in an amount equal to 1.00% of the average weekly value of the Trust's Managed Assets. In return for its administrative services, the Investment Adviser receives an annual fee, payable monthly, in an amount equal to 0.20% of the average weekly value of the Trust's Managed Assets. "Managed Assets" means the total assets of the Trust, including assets attributable to any form of investment leverage, minus all accrued expenses incurred in the normal course of operations, but not excluding any liabilities or obligations attributable to investment leverage obtained through (i) indebtedness of any type (including, without limitation, borrowing through a credit facility or the issuance of debt securities), (ii) the issuance of preferred shares or other similar preference securities, (iii) the reinvestment of collateral received for securities loaned in accordance with the Trust's investment objectives and policies, and/or (iv) any other means. The Investment Adviser, at its own expense, has the authority to engage both a sub-adviser and a sub-administrator, each of which may be an affiliate of the Investment Adviser. See "Management of the Trust — Investment Adviser" and "Management of the Trust — Administrator/Sub-Administrator."

*Potential Conflicts of Interest.* As a result of the Trust's arrangements with Highland Capital Management, L.P. ("Highland"), an affiliate of the Investment Adviser, there may be times when Highland, the Investment Adviser or their affiliates have interests that differ from those of the Trust's shareholders, giving rise to a conflict of interest. Highland and the Investment Adviser are under common ownership, and the Trust's officers serve or may serve as officers, directors or principals of entities that operate in the same or a related line of business as the Trust does, or of investment funds managed by the Investment Adviser or its affiliates. Similarly, the Investment Adviser or its affiliates may have other clients with similar, different or competing investment objectives. In serving in these multiple capacities, they may have obligations to other clients or investors in those entities, the fulfillment of which may not be in the best interests of the Trust or its shareholders. For example, the Trust's officers have, and will continue to have, management responsibilities for other investment funds, accounts or other investment vehicles managed or sponsored by the Investment Adviser and its affiliates.

The Trust's investment objective may overlap, in part or in whole, with the investment objective of such affiliated investment funds, accounts or other investment vehicles. As a result, those individuals may face conflicts in the allocation of investment opportunities among the Trust and other investment funds or accounts advised by or affiliated with the Investment Adviser. The Investment Adviser will seek to allocate investment opportunities among eligible accounts in a



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manner that is fair and equitable over time and consistent with its allocation policy. However, the Trust can offer no assurance that such opportunities will be allocated to it fairly or equitably in the short-term or over time.

Currently, a substantial portion of the Trust's net assets are invested in REITs, asset-backed securities and/or collateralized loan obligations ("CLOs") sponsored, organized and/or managed by Highland and its affiliates. The Investment Adviser will monitor for conflicts of interest in accordance with its fiduciary duties and will provide the independent trustees of the Trust with an opportunity to periodically review the Trust's investments in such REITs, asset-backed securities and/or CLOs and assure themselves that continued investment in such securities remains in the best interests of the Trust and its shareholders. Please see "Risk Factors—Potential Conflicts of Interest" for a description of risks associated with conflicts of interest. See "Management of the Trust — Investment Adviser."

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### **Custodian and Transfer Agent**

The custodian of the assets of the Trust is Bank of New York Mellon (240 Greenwich Street, New York, New York 10286). The custodian performs custodial services for the Trust. American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC (6201 15th Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11219; telephone (718) 921-8200) serves as the Trust's transfer agent with respect to its securities.

### **Closed-End Structure**

Closed-end funds differ from open-end management investment companies (commonly referred to as mutual funds) in that closed-end funds generally list their shares for trading on a securities exchange and do not redeem their shares at the option of the shareholder. By comparison, mutual funds issue securities redeemable at net asset value ("NAV") at the option of the shareholder and typically engage in a continuous offering of their shares. Mutual funds are subject to continuous asset in-flows and out-flows that can complicate portfolio management, whereas closed-end funds generally can stay more fully invested in securities consistent with the closed-end fund's investment objective and policies. In addition, in comparison to open-end funds, closed-end funds have greater flexibility in their ability to make certain types of investments, including investments in illiquid securities.

Shares of closed-end investment companies listed for trading on a securities exchange frequently trade at a discount from NAV, but in some cases trade at a premium. The market price may be affected by NAV, dividend or distribution levels (which are dependent, in part, on expenses), supply of and demand for the shares, stability of dividends or distributions, trading volume of the shares, general market and economic conditions and other factors beyond the control of the closed-end fund. The foregoing factors may result in the market price of the common shares of the Trust being greater than, less than or equal to, NAV. The Board has reviewed the structure of the Trust in light of its investment objective and policies and has determined that the closed-end structure is appropriate. As described in this Prospectus, however, the Board may review periodically the trading range and activity of the Trust's common shares with respect to their NAV and may take certain actions to seek to reduce or eliminate any such discount. Such actions may include open market repurchases or tender offers for the common shares at NAV or the possible conversion of the Trust to an open-end investment company. There can be no assurance that the Board will decide to undertake any of these actions or that, if undertaken, such actions would result in the common shares trading at a price equal to or close to NAV per Share. In addition, as noted above, the Board determined in connection with the initial offering of common shares of the Trust that the closed-end structure is desirable, given the Trust's investment objective and policies. Investors should assume, therefore, that it is highly unlikely that the Board would vote to convert the Trust to an open-end investment company. See "Anti-Takeover Provisions in the Agreement and Declaration of Trust; Closed-End Fund Structure; Repurchase of Common Shares; Discount."

### **Listing**

The Trust's outstanding common shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") under the symbol "NHF". Since the Trust commenced trading on the NYSE, the Trust's common shares have traded at a discount to NAV as high as -40.89% and a premium as high as 9.78%. Any additional series of fixed rate preferred shares or subscription rights issued in the future pursuant to a Prospectus Supplement by the Trust may be listed on the NYSE.

### **Use of Proceeds**

Unless otherwise specified in a Prospectus Supplement, the Trust will use the net proceeds of the sale of securities to invest in accordance with the Trust's investment objectives and policies as stated below, or use such proceeds for other general corporate purposes. See "Use of Proceeds."

[Table of Contents](#)**Investment Objectives and Policies**

The Trust's investment objectives are to provide both current income and capital appreciation. The Trust seeks to achieve its investment objectives by investing primarily in the following categories of securities and instruments of corporations and other business entities: (i) secured and unsecured floating and fixed rate loans; (ii) bonds and other debt obligations; (iii) debt obligations of stressed, distressed and bankrupt issuers; (iv) structured products, including but not limited to, mortgage-backed and other asset-backed securities and collateralized debt obligations; (v) equities; (vi) other investment companies, including BDCs; and (vii) REITs. The Trust may also invest in other securities and instruments, including derivative instruments. Subject to these general guidelines, the Investment Adviser has broad discretion to allocate the Trust's assets among these investment categories and other investments and to change allocations as conditions warrant.

The Trust has a fundamental policy to concentrate its investments in the real estate industry, and, under normal market conditions, the Trust invests at least 25% of the value of its total assets at the time of purchase in the securities of issuers conducting their principal business activities in the real estate industry. Within the categories of obligations and securities in which the Trust invests, the Investment Adviser employs various trading strategies, including capital structure arbitrage, pair trades and shorting. Capital structure arbitrage is a strategy in which the Trust seeks opportunities created by mispricing in different markets of various instruments issued by one corporation. Pair trades involve matching a long position with a short position in two stocks of different issuers in the same sector, betting that the "spread" between the two will eventually converge. Short selling (also known as shorting or going short) is a strategy in which the Trust sells a security it does not own in anticipation that the market price of that security will decline. See "Portfolio Composition" for further description of these strategies.

The Trust may also invest in these categories of obligations and securities through the use of derivatives. The Trust is not limited in the amount it may invest in derivatives, and it may use derivatives for speculative purposes. There is no limitation on the amount of securities and other instruments rated below investment grade, which are commonly referred to as "junk securities," that the Trust may purchase, and under normal circumstances substantially all of the Trust's investment portfolio is expected to consist of junk-rated securities and non-investment grade investments and instruments or securities and other instruments which, if unrated, are considered to be of similar quality.

The Trust may invest a significant portion of its assets in issuers that are in default or that present a high risk of default. Junk securities are subject to greater risk of loss of principal and interest and may be less liquid than investment grade securities. The Trust may invest up to 15% of its net assets in entities that are excluded from registration under the Investment Company Act by virtue of section 3(c)(1) and 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act (such as private equity funds or hedge funds). This limitation does not apply to any CLOs, certain of which may rely on Section 3(c)(1) or 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act. The Trust's investment objectives may be changed without shareholder approval. There can be no assurance that the Trust's investment objectives will be achieved. See "Investment Objectives and Policies."

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### **Investment Strategies**

Under normal market conditions, the Trust invests across various markets in which the Investment Adviser holds significant investment experience: primarily the leveraged loan, high yield, other credit investments, structured products, real estate, communications, natural resources, stressed and distressed markets and equity markets. The Investment Adviser makes investment decisions based on quantitative analysis, which employs sophisticated, data-intensive models to drive the investment process. The Investment Adviser has full discretion regarding the capital markets from which it can access investment opportunities in accordance with the investment limitations set forth in this Prospectus.

The Investment Adviser uses trading strategies to seek to exploit pricing inefficiencies across the credit markets, or debt markets, and within an individual issuer's capital structure. The Investment Adviser varies the Trust's investments by strategy, industry, security type and credit market, but reserves the right to re-position the Trust's investment portfolio among these criteria depending on market dynamics, and thus the Trust may experience high portfolio turnover. The Investment Adviser manages interest rate, default, currency and systemic risks through a variety of trading methods and market tools, including derivative hedging instruments, as it deems appropriate.

This multi-strategy investment program allows the Investment Adviser to assess what it considers to be the best opportunities across multiple markets and to adjust quickly the Trust's trading strategies and market focus to changing conditions. The Investment Adviser focuses primarily on the U.S. marketplace, but may pursue opportunities in the non-U.S. credit or securities markets by investing in credit or securities market investments that are either issued by entities domiciled outside of the U.S., or denominated in currencies other than the U.S. dollar, or both ("Non-U.S. Securities").

The Trust invests and trades in listed and unlisted, public and private, rated and unrated, debt and equity instruments and other obligations, including structured debt and equity instruments and financial derivatives. Investments may include investments in stressed and distressed positions, which may include publicly-traded debt and equity securities (including securities of REITs, BDCs and master limited partnerships ("MLPs")), obligations which were privately placed with banks, insurance companies and other lending institutions, trade claims, accounts receivable and any other form of obligation recognized as a claim in a bankruptcy or workout process.

REITs are pooled investment vehicles that invest primarily in income-producing real estate or real estate-related loans or interests. Foreign REIT equivalents are entities located in jurisdictions that have adopted legislation substantially similar to the REIT tax provisions in that they provide for favorable tax treatment for the foreign REIT equivalent and require distributions of income to shareholders. The Trust seeks to gain exposure to the real estate markets, in whole or in part, by investing in certain REIT subsidiaries of the Trust, notably NexPoint Real Estate Opportunities, LLC (formerly Freedom REIT) ("NREO") and NexPoint Real Estate Capital, LLC ("NREC").

With respect to the Trust's real estate investments, the Adviser seeks to: (i) recognize and allocate capital based upon where the Adviser believes we are in the current real estate cycle, and as a result (ii) minimize drawdowns during market downturns and maximize risk adjusted returns during all market cycles, though there can be no assurance that this strategy will achieve this objective. The Trust will rely on the expertise of the Adviser and its affiliates to determine the appropriate structure for structured credit investments, which may include bridge loans, common and preferred equity or other debt-like positions, as well as the acquisition of such instruments from banks, servicers or other third parties.

Preferred equity and mezzanine investments in real estate transactions come in various forms which may or may not be documented in the borrower's organizational documents. Generally, real estate preferred equity and/or mezzanine investments are typically junior to first mortgage financing but senior to the borrower's or sponsor's equity contribution. The investments are typically structured as an investment by a third-party investor in the real estate owner or various affiliates in the chain of ownership in exchange for a direct or indirect ownership interest in the real estate owner entitling it to a preferred/priority return on its investment. Sometimes, the investment is structured much like a loan where (i) "interest" on the investment is required to be paid monthly by the "borrower" regardless of available property cash flow; (ii) the entire investment is required to be paid by a certain maturity date; (iii) default rate "interest" and penalties are assessed against the "borrower" in the event payments are not made timely; and (iv) a default in the repayment of investment potentially results in the loss of management and/or ownership control by the "borrower" in the company in favor of the investor or other third-party.

As part of its investment program, the Trust may invest, from time to time, in securities or other instruments that are sold in private placements and that are neither listed on an exchange, nor traded over the counter. The Trust may also receive equity or equity-related securities in connection with a workout transaction or may invest directly in equity securities.

The Trust may employ currency hedges (either in the forward or options markets) in certain circumstances to reduce currency risk and may engage in other derivative transactions for hedging purposes or to enhance total return. The Trust may also lend securities and engage in short sales of securities. In addition, the Trust may invest in the securities of companies whose capital structures are highly leveraged.



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From time to time, the Investment Adviser may also invest a portion of the Trust's assets in short-term U.S. government obligations, certificates of deposit, commercial paper and other money market instruments, including repurchase agreements with respect to such obligations and pooled investment vehicles (for example, money market funds) that invest in these obligations, to enable the Trust to make investments quickly, to serve as collateral with respect to certain of its investments, and for other cash management purposes. A greater percentage of Trust assets may be invested in such obligations if the Investment Adviser believes that a defensive position is appropriate because of the outlook for security prices or in order to respond to adverse market, economic, business or political conditions. See "Investment Objectives and Policies — Investment Strategies."

**Use of Leverage**

As provided in the Investment Company Act and subject to certain exceptions, the Trust may issue debt or preferred shares with the condition that immediately after issuance the value of its total assets, less ordinary course liabilities, exceeds 300% of the amount of the debt outstanding and exceeds 200% of the sum of the amount of debt and preferred shares outstanding.

Thus, the Trust may use leverage in the form of borrowings in an amount up to 33 1/3% of the Trust's total assets (including the proceeds of such leverage) and may use leverage in the form of preferred shares in an amount up to 50% of the Trust's total assets (including the proceeds of such leverage). As of the date of this Prospectus, the Trust has no preferred shares outstanding. The total leverage of the Trust is generally expected to range between 25% and 30% of the Trust's total assets. The Trust seeks a leverage ratio, based on a variety of factors including market conditions and the Investment Adviser's market outlook, where the rate of return, net of applicable Trust expenses, on the Trust's portfolio investments purchased with leverage exceeds the costs associated with such leverage. The leverage ratio as of August 13, 2019 was 25%.

The Trust, as of January 31, 2018, was leveraged through borrowings from a committed facility with BNP Paribas Prime Brokerage, Inc. ("BNP") with a total commitment of \$135,000,000. As of June 30, 2019, the Trust had drawn on the \$66.0 million committed facility.

In addition, the Trust intends to leverage its portfolio through a master repurchase agreement entered into with BNP Paribas Securities Corp. ("BNP Securities") on November 16, 2017, as amended, that allows the Trust to enter into reverse repurchase transactions from time to time pursuant to the terms of the master repurchase agreement.

On August 14, 2018, the Trust, and two of its wholly-owned subsidiaries, NexPoint Real Estate Capital, LLC ("NREC") and NexPoint Real Estate Opportunities, LLC ("NREO"), entered into a \$75.0 million revolving bridge credit agreement with KeyBank National Association. The revolving balance stepped down to \$60.0 million after September 14, 2018. As of June 30, 2019, The Trust had drawn \$55.4 million on the bridge facility.

The Trust's asset coverage ratio as of June 30, 2019 was 524.7% See "Principal Risks of the Trust — Leverage Risk" for a brief description of the Trust's committed facility, master repurchase agreement and bridge credit agreement.

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Following the completion of an Offering, the Trust may increase the amount of leverage outstanding. The Trust may engage in additional borrowings, issue notes, or issue preferred shares in order to maintain the Trust's desired leverage ratio. Leverage creates a greater risk of loss, as well as a potential for more gain, for the common shares than if leverage were not used. Interest on borrowings (or dividends on preferred shares) may be at a fixed or floating rate and generally will be based on short-term rates. The costs associated with the Trust's use of leverage, including the issuance of such leverage and the payment of dividends or interest on such leverage, will be borne entirely by the holders of common shares. As long as the rate of return, net of applicable Trust expenses, on the Trust's portfolio investments purchased with leverage exceeds the costs associated with such leverage, the Trust will generate more return or income than will be needed to pay such costs. In this event, the excess will be available to pay higher dividends to holders of common shares. Conversely, if the Trust's return on such assets is less than the cost of leverage and other Trust expenses, the return to the holders of the common shares will diminish. To the extent that the Trust uses leverage, the NAV and market price of the common shares and the yield to holders of common shares will be more volatile. The Trust's leveraging strategy may not be successful. See "Principal Risks of the Trust—Leverage Risk."

## Distributions

*Common Shares Distributions.* Subject to market conditions, the Trust plans to pay distributions monthly and capital gain distributions annually to common shareholders.

*Preferred Shares Distributions.* As required by the Investment Company Act, all preferred shares of the Trust must have the same seniority with respect to distributions. Accordingly, no complete distribution due for a particular dividend period will be declared or paid on any series of preferred shares of the Trust for any dividend period, or part thereof, unless full cumulative dividends and distributions due through the most recent dividend payment dates for all series of outstanding preferred shares of the Trust are declared and paid. If full cumulative distributions due have not been declared and made on all outstanding preferred shares of the Trust, any distributions on such preferred shares will be made as nearly pro rata as possible in proportion to the respective amounts of distributions accumulated but unpaid on each such series of preferred shares on the relevant dividend payment date.

The Trust's annualized distributions may in the future contain a return of capital and should not be considered as the dividend yield or total return of an investment in its common or preferred shares. Shareholders who receive the payment of a distribution consisting of a return of capital may be under the impression that they are receiving net profits when they are not. Shareholders should not assume that the source of a distribution from the Trust is net profit. The composition of each distribution is estimated based on the earnings of the Trust as of the record date for each distribution. The actual composition of each of the current year's distributions will be based on the Trust's investment activity through the end of the calendar year.

Distributions on fixed rate preferred shares, at the applicable annual rate of the per share liquidation preference, are cumulative from the original issue date and are payable, when, as and if declared by the Board, out of funds legally available therefor.

## Principal Risks of the Trust

The following is a summary of the principal risks associated with an investment in the Trust's securities. **Investors should also refer to "Principal Risks of the Trust" in this Prospectus for a more detailed explanation of the risks associated with investing in the Trust's securities.** Given the risks described below, an investment in the securities of the Trust may not be appropriate for all investors.

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You should carefully consider your ability to assume these risks before making an investment in securities of the Trust.

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*REIT-Specific Risk.* REITs may be affected by changes in the real estate markets generally as well as changes in the values of the properties owned by the REIT or securing the mortgages owned by the REIT (which changes in value could be influenced by market conditions for real estate in general or fluctuations in the value of rights to natural resources appurtenant to the property held by the REIT). REITs are dependent upon management skill and are not diversified. REITs are also subject to heavy cash flow dependency, defaults by borrowers, self-liquidation, and the possibility of failing to qualify for special tax treatment under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”) and to maintain an exemption under the Investment Company Act. For example, because a REIT may acquire debt securities of issuers primarily engaged in or related to the real estate industry, it also could conceivably own real estate directly as a result of a default on such securities. Any rental income or income from the disposition of such real estate could adversely affect its ability to retain its tax status, which would have adverse tax consequences on its shareholders. Finally, certain REITs may be self-liquidating at the end of a specified term, and run the risk of liquidating at an economically inopportune time.

The Trust seeks to gain exposure to the real estate markets, in whole or in part, through investing in certain REIT subsidiaries of the Trust. The Trust invests in NREO, organized under the laws of Delaware on September 17, 2012 and NREC, organized under the laws of Delaware on March 31, 2014 (each, a “Subsidiary”). Each Subsidiary has elected to be taxed as a REIT. Each Subsidiary is generally subject to the same investment policies and restrictions of the Trust. As of June 30, 2019, NREO and NREC accounted for approximately 2.9% and 22.0% respectively, of the Trust’s Managed Assets, and approximately 2.8% and 21.7% respectively, of the Trust’s total (gross) assets. The Investment Adviser does not charge an additional fee on assets held in each Subsidiary. The Trust intends to limit its investments in each Subsidiary and related entities to the extent necessary to qualify as a RIC for tax purposes. In general, and subject to certain exceptions not applicable here, a RIC is not permitted to invest, including through corporations in which the RIC owns a 20% or more voting stock interest, more than 25% of its total assets in any one issuer, or in any two or more issuers which the taxpayer controls and which are determined to be engaged in the same or similar trades or businesses or related trades or businesses.

In 2015, the Trust completed its spin-off of NexPoint Residential Trust, Inc. (“NXRT”) pursuant to an exemptive order obtained from the Commission. No assurance can be given that the Trust would be able to obtain another exemptive order in the event that it should again believe a spin-off of a REIT subsidiary to be in the best interests of the Trust’s shareholders. As a result, the Trust may not be able to dispose of its interests in a REIT subsidiary in the manner the Investment Adviser believes would be most efficient.

*Interest Rate Risk.* Interest rate risk is the risk that debt securities, and the Trust’s net assets, may decline in value because of changes in interest rates. Generally, fixed rate debt securities will decrease in value when interest rates rise and increase in value when interest rates decline. To the extent the Trust invests in fixed rate debt securities with longer duration, the Trust is subject to greater interest rate risk than funds investing solely in shorter-term fixed rate debt securities. In addition, in a period of rising interest rates, the higher cost of any leverage employed by the Trust and/or increasing defaults by issuers of high-yield securities would likely exacerbate any decline in the Trust’s NAV.

*Prepayment Risk.* If interest rates fall, the principal on bonds and loans held by the Trust may be paid earlier than expected. If this happens, the proceeds from a prepaid security may be reinvested by the Trust in securities bearing lower interest

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rates, resulting in a possible decline in the Trust's income and distributions to shareholders. The Trust may invest in pools of mortgages or other assets issued or guaranteed by private issuers or U.S. government agencies and instrumentalities. Mortgage-related securities are especially sensitive to prepayment risk because borrowers often refinance their mortgages when interest rates decline.

*Risks of Investing in High-Yield Securities, also Known as "Junk Securities."* A substantial portion of the Trust's investments will consist of investments that may generally be characterized as "high-yield securities" or "junk securities," and the Trust may invest without limit in such securities. Such securities are typically rated below investment grade by one or more nationally recognized statistical rating organizations or are unrated but of comparable credit quality to obligations rated below investment grade, and have greater credit and liquidity risk than more highly rated obligations. High-yield securities are generally unsecured and may be subordinate to other obligations of the obligor. The lower rating of high-yield securities reflects a greater possibility that adverse changes in the financial condition of the issuer or in general economic conditions (including, for example, a substantial period of rising interest rates or declining earnings) or both may impair the ability of the issuer to make payment of principal and interest. Many issuers of high-yield securities are highly leveraged, and their relatively high debt to equity ratios create increased risks that their operations might not generate sufficient cash flow to service their obligations. Overall declines in the high-yield bond and other markets may adversely affect such issuers by inhibiting their ability to refinance their obligations at maturity.

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*Illiquidity of Investments.* The investments made by the Trust may be very illiquid, and consequently, the Trust may not be able to sell such investments at prices that reflect the Investment Adviser's assessment of their fair value or the amount paid for such investments by the Trust or to sell such investments in a timely fashion. An inability to sell a portfolio position can adversely affect the Trust's value or prevent the Trust from being able to take advantage of other investment opportunities. Illiquidity may result from the absence of an established market for the investments as well as legal, contractual or other restrictions on their resale by the Trust and other factors. Furthermore, the nature of the Trust's investments, especially those in financially stressed and distressed companies, may require a long holding period prior to being able to determine whether the investment will be profitable or not. There is no limit on the amount of the Trust's investment portfolio that can be invested in illiquid securities.

*Risks of Investing in Senior Loans.* Senior loans, such as bank loans, are typically at the most senior level of the capital structure, and are sometimes secured by specific collateral, including, but not limited to, trademarks, patents, accounts receivable, inventory, equipment, buildings, real estate, franchises and common and preferred stock of the obligor or its affiliates. A portion of the Trust's investments may consist of loans and participations therein originated by banks and other financial institutions, typically referred to as "bank loans." The Trust's investments may include loans of a type generally incurred by borrowers in connection with highly leveraged transactions, often to finance internal growth, acquisitions, mergers or stock purchases, or for other reasons. As a result of the additional debt incurred by the borrower in the course of the transaction, the borrower's creditworthiness is often judged by the rating agencies to be below investment grade. Such loans are typically private corporate loans negotiated by one or more commercial banks or financial institutions and syndicated among a group of commercial banks and financial institutions. In order to induce the lenders to extend credit and to offer a favorable interest rate, the borrower often provides the lenders with extensive information about its business that is not generally available to the public. To the extent the Trust receives material non-public information, it may be prohibited from trading in certain securities, even when it might otherwise be beneficial to do so.

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*Legislation Risk.* To the extent that legislation or state or federal regulators impose additional requirements or restrictions with respect to the ability of financial institutions to make loans in connection with highly leveraged transactions, the availability of senior loan interests for investment by the Trust may be adversely affected. In addition, such requirements or restrictions may reduce or eliminate sources of financing for affected borrowers. Further, to the extent that legislation or federal or state regulators require such institutions to dispose of senior loan interests relating to highly leveraged transactions or subject such senior loan interests to increased regulatory scrutiny, such financial institutions may determine to sell senior loan interests in a manner that results in a price that, in the opinion of the Investment Adviser, is not indicative of fair value. Were the Trust to attempt to sell a senior loan interest at a time when a financial institution was engaging in such a sale with respect to the senior loan interest, the price at which the Trust could consummate such a sale might be adversely affected.

*Second Lien Loans Risk.* Second lien loans are subject to the same risks associated with investment in senior loans and non-investment grade securities. However, second lien loans are second in right of payment to senior loans and therefore are subject to additional risk that the cash flow of the borrower and any property securing the loan may be insufficient to meet scheduled payments after giving effect to the senior secured obligations of the borrower. Second lien loans are expected to have greater price volatility than senior loans and may be less liquid. There is also a possibility that originators will not be able to sell participations in second lien loans, which would create greater credit risk exposure.

*Other Secured Loans Risk.* Secured loans other than senior loans and second lien loans are subject to the same risks associated with investment in senior loans, second lien loans and non-investment grade securities. However, such loans may rank lower in right of payment than any outstanding senior loans and second lien loans of the borrower and therefore are subject to additional risk that the cash flow of the borrower and any property securing the loan may be insufficient to meet scheduled payments after giving effect to the higher-ranking secured obligations of the borrower. Lower-ranking secured loans are expected to have greater price volatility than senior loans and second lien loans and may be less liquid. There is also a possibility that originators will not be able to sell participations in lower-ranking secured loans, which would create greater credit risk exposure.

*Unsecured Loans Risk.* Unsecured loans are subject to the same risks associated with investment in senior loans, second lien loans, other secured loans and non-investment grade securities. However, because unsecured loans have lower priority in right of payment to any higher ranking obligations of the borrower and are not backed by a security interest in any specific collateral, they are subject to additional risk that the cash flow of the borrower and available assets may be insufficient to meet scheduled payments after giving effect to any higher ranking obligations of the borrower. Unsecured loans are expected to have greater price volatility than senior loans, second lien loans and other secured loans and may be less liquid. There is also a possibility that originators will not be able to sell participations in unsecured loans, which would create greater credit risk exposure.

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*Risks of Investing in Obligations of Stressed, Distressed and Bankrupt Issuers.* The Trust is authorized to invest in the securities and other obligations of stressed, distressed and bankrupt issuers, including debt obligations that are in covenant or payment default. There is no limit on the amount of the Trust's investment portfolio that can be invested in stressed, distressed or bankrupt issuers, and the Trust may invest for purposes of control. Such investments generally trade significantly below par and are considered highly speculative. The repayment of defaulted obligations is subject to significant uncertainties. Defaulted obligations might be repaid only after lengthy workout or bankruptcy proceedings, during which the issuer might not make any interest or other payments. Typically such workout or bankruptcy proceedings result in only partial recoveries, which may be in the form of cash payments or an exchange of the defaulted obligation for other debt or equity securities of the issuer or its affiliates, which may in turn be illiquid or highly speculative. It is also possible that there could be limited or no recovery for creditors in a bankruptcy or workout.



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*Insolvency Considerations with Respect to Issuers of Debt Obligations.* Various laws enacted for the protection of creditors may apply to the debt obligations held by the Trust. The information in this paragraph is applicable with respect to U.S. issuers subject to U.S. bankruptcy laws. Insolvency considerations may differ with respect to other issuers. If a court in a lawsuit brought by an unpaid creditor or representative of creditors of an issuer of a debt obligation, such as a trustee in bankruptcy or a creditors' committee, were to find that the issuer did not receive fair consideration or reasonably equivalent value for incurring the indebtedness constituting the debt obligation and, after giving effect to such indebtedness, the issuer (i) was insolvent, (ii) was engaged in a business for which the remaining assets of such issuer constituted unreasonably small capital, or (iii) intended to incur, or believed that it would incur, debts beyond its ability to pay such debts as they mature, such court could determine to invalidate, in whole or in part, such indebtedness as a fraudulent conveyance, to subordinate such indebtedness to existing or future creditors of such issuer, or to recover amounts previously paid by such issuer in satisfaction of such indebtedness.

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*Litigation Risk.* The Trust is sometimes subject to legal proceedings and claims based on the securities and instruments in which the Trust invests. Litigation may result in substantial costs and may seriously harm the Trust's investments and overall financial condition. In addition, legal claims that have not yet been asserted against the Trust may be asserted in the future.

*Leverage Risk.* When deemed appropriate by the Investment Adviser and subject to applicable regulations, the Trust may use leverage in its investment program, including through the issuance of preferred shares, borrowings from a credit facility, issuing notes or other debt securities and investments in certain types of options, such as puts, calls and warrants. While such strategies and techniques increase the opportunity to achieve higher returns on the amounts invested, they also increase the risk of loss. To the extent the Trust purchases securities with borrowed funds, its net assets will tend to increase or decrease at a greater rate than if borrowed funds are not used. The level of interest rates generally, and the rates at which such funds may be borrowed in particular, could affect the operating results of the Trust. If the interest expense on borrowings were to exceed the net return on the portfolio securities purchased with borrowed funds, the Trust's use of leverage would result in a lower rate of return than if the Trust were not leveraged.

The Trust's leveraged capital structure creates special risks not associated with unleveraged funds having a similar investment objective and policies. These include the possibility of greater loss and the likelihood of higher volatility of the NAV of the Trust and the asset coverage for the preferred shares.

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*Other Investment Companies.* The Trust may invest in the securities of other investment companies, which can include open-end funds, closed-end funds, unit investment trusts and BDCs. Investment companies combine shareholders' funds for investment in a variety of instruments, including equity securities, debt securities, and money market instruments and may invest primarily in a particular type of security, a particular industry or a mix of securities and industries. An investment company is not taxed on income distributed to shareholders if, among other things, it distributes to its shareholders substantially all of its taxable income for each taxable year. As a shareholder of another investment company, the Trust, and therefore its shareholders, will bear a proportionate share of the expenses of such other investment companies, including management fees, administration fees and custodial fees, in addition to the expenses of the Trust. Under one provision of the Investment Company Act, the Trust may not acquire the securities of other investment companies if, as a result, (i) more than 10% of the Trust's total assets would be invested in securities of other investment companies, (ii) such purchase would result in more than 3% of the total outstanding voting securities of any one investment company being held by the Trust or (iii) more than 5% of the Trust's total assets would be invested in any one investment company. Other provisions of the Investment Company Act are less restrictive, provided that the Trust is able to meet certain conditions. These limitations do not apply to the acquisition of shares of any investment company in connection with a merger, consolidation, reorganization or acquisition of substantially all of the assets of another investment company.

*Preferred Share Risk.* Preferred share risk is the risk associated with the issuance of preferred shares to leverage the common shares. If preferred shares are issued, the NAV and market value of the common shares will be more volatile, and the yield to the holders of common shares will tend to fluctuate with changes in the shorter-term dividend rates on the preferred shares. The Trust will pay (and the holders of common shares will bear) all costs and expenses relating to the issuance and ongoing maintenance of the preferred shares, including higher advisory fees. Accordingly, the issuance of preferred shares may not result in a higher yield or return to the holders of the common shares. If the dividend rate and other costs of the preferred shares approach the net rate of return on the Trust's investment portfolio, the benefit of leverage to the holders of the common shares would be reduced. If the dividend rate and other costs of the preferred shares exceed the net rate of return on the Trust's investment portfolio, the leverage will result in a lower rate of return to the holders of common shares than if the Trust had not issued preferred shares.

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*Common Stock Risk.* The Trust may invest in common stock. Although investments in common stock have historically generated higher average total returns than fixed income securities over the long-term, investments in common stock also have historically experienced significantly more volatility in those returns. Therefore, the Trust's investments in common stock could result in worse performance than would be the case had the Trust been invested solely in debt securities. An adverse event, such as an unfavorable earnings report, may depress the value of a particular investment in common stock held by the Trust. Also, the price of common stock is sensitive to general movements in the stock market and a drop in the stock market may depress the price of a common stock to which the Trust has exposure. Common stock prices fluctuate for several reasons, including changes in investors' perceptions of the financial condition of an issuer or the general condition of the relevant stock market, or when political or economic events affecting an issuer occur. In addition, common stock prices may be particularly sensitive to rising interest rates, as the cost of capital rises and borrowing costs increase.

*Dividend Risk.* Dividends on common stock are not fixed but are declared at the discretion of an issuer's board of directors. There is no guarantee that the issuers of the common stocks in which the Trust invests will declare dividends in the future or that, if declared, the dividends will remain at current levels or increase over time.

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*Non-U.S. Securities Risk.* The Trust may invest without limit in Non-U.S. Securities. The Trust may invest in Non-U.S. Securities of so-called emerging market issuers. The Trust currently does not expect to invest more than 15%, but may invest up to 20%, of its assets in emerging market issuers. Investing in Non-U.S. Securities involves certain risks not involved in domestic investments, including, but not limited to: (i) fluctuations in foreign exchange rates; (ii) future foreign economic, financial, political and social developments; (iii) different legal systems; (iv) the possible imposition of exchange controls or other foreign governmental laws or restrictions; (v) lower trading volume; (vi) much greater price volatility and illiquidity of certain non-U.S. securities markets; (vii) different trading and settlement practices; (viii) less governmental supervision; (ix) changes in currency exchange rates; (x) high and volatile rates of inflation; (xi) fluctuating interest rates; (xii) less publicly available information; and (xiii) different accounting, auditing and financial recordkeeping standards and requirements. In addition, certain investments in Non-U.S. Securities may be subject to foreign withholding or other taxes on interest, dividends, capital gains or other income. Those taxes will reduce the Trust's yield on any such securities.

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*Emerging Markets Risk.* The Trust currently does not expect to invest more than 15%, but may invest up to 20% of its total assets in securities of issuers based in emerging markets. An emerging market country is any country having an economy and market that are (or would be) considered by the World Bank to be emerging or developing or is listed in the Morgan Stanley Capital International Emerging Markets Index. Emerging market countries are located in regions such as Asia, Latin America, the Middle East, Southern Europe, Eastern Europe (including the former republics of the Soviet Union and the Eastern Bloc) and Africa. Investing in securities of issuers based in emerging markets entails all of the risks of investing in securities of non-U.S. issuers, but to a heightened degree. These heightened risks include: (i) greater risks of expropriation, confiscatory taxation, nationalization, and less social, political and economic stability; (ii) the smaller size of the markets for such securities and a lower volume of trading, resulting in lack of liquidity and in price volatility; and (iii) certain national policies which may restrict the Trust's investment opportunities including restrictions on investing in issuers or industries deemed sensitive to relevant national interests.

*Foreign Currency Risk.* Because the Trust may invest in securities denominated or quoted in currencies other than the U.S. dollar, changes in foreign currency exchange rates may affect the value of securities owned by the Trust, the unrealized appreciation or depreciation of investments and gains on and income from investments. Currencies of certain countries may be volatile and therefore may affect the value of securities denominated in such currencies, which means that the Trust's NAV could decline as a result of changes in the exchange rates between foreign currencies and the U.S. dollar. These risks often are heightened for investments in smaller or emerging capital markets. In addition, the Trust may enter into foreign currency transactions in an attempt to enhance total return, which may further expose the Trust to the risks of foreign currency movements and other risks. The use of foreign currency transactions can result in the Trust incurring losses as a result of the imposition of exchange controls, suspension of settlements or the inability of the Trust to deliver or receive a specified currency.

*Investments in Unseasoned Companies.* The Trust may invest in the securities of less seasoned companies. These investments may present greater opportunities for growth, but also involve greater risks than customarily are associated with investments in securities of more established companies. Some of the companies in which the Trust may invest will be start-up companies that may have insubstantial operational or earnings history or may have limited products, markets, financial resources or management depth. Some may also be emerging companies at the research and development stage with no products or technologies to market or approved for marketing. Securities of emerging companies may lack an active secondary market and may be subject to more abrupt or erratic price movements than securities of larger, more established companies or stock market averages in general. Competitors of certain companies may have substantially greater financial resources than many of the companies in which the Trust may invest.

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*Initial Public Offerings Risk.* The Trust may invest in shares of companies through initial public offerings (“IPOs”). IPOs and companies that have recently gone public have the potential to produce substantial gains for the Trust. However, the Trust may not have access to or invest in IPOs that are ultimately profitable for investors. The investment performance of the Trust during periods when it is unable to invest significantly or at all in IPOs may be lower than during periods when the Trust is able to do so. Securities issued in IPOs are subject to many of the same risks as investing in companies with smaller market capitalizations. Securities issued in IPOs have no trading history, and information about the companies may be available for limited periods of time. In addition, the prices of securities sold in IPOs may be highly volatile or may decline shortly after the IPO.

*Securities Lending Risk.* Under the Trust’s current securities lending agreement, the Trust may lend its portfolio securities (up to a maximum of one-third of its total assets) to financial institutions on an approved list of borrowers. Securities lending is subject to the risk that loaned securities may not be available to the Trust on a timely basis and the Trust may, therefore, lose the opportunity to sell the securities at a desirable price. Any loss in the market price of securities loaned by the Trust that occurs during the term of the loan would be borne by the Trust and would adversely affect the Trust’s performance. Also, there may be delays in recovery, or no recovery, of securities loaned should the borrower of the securities fail financially while the loan is outstanding. In addition, voting rights with respect to loaned securities generally pass to the borrower. The Trust, as the lender, retains the right to recall the loans and obtain the return of the securities loaned in order to vote the loaned securities. However, in many circumstances the Trust may be unable to recall the securities in time to vote or may determine that the benefits to the Trust of voting are outweighed by the indirect or direct costs of such a recall. In these circumstances, loaned securities may be voted or not voted in a manner adverse to the best interests of the Trust. All of the aforementioned risks may be greater for Non-U.S. Securities.

*Risks Associated with Options on Securities.* There are several risks associated with transactions in options on securities, such as exchange-listed, over-the-counter and index options. For example, there are significant differences between the securities and options markets that could result in an imperfect correlation between these markets, causing a given transaction not to achieve its objectives. A decision as to whether, when and how to use options involves the exercise of skill and judgment, and even a well-conceived transaction may be unsuccessful to some degree because of market behavior or unexpected events.

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*Exchange-Listed Option Risks.* A liquid market may not exist when the Trust seeks to close out an option position on an options exchange. Reasons for the absence of a liquid secondary market on an exchange include the following: (i) there may be insufficient trading interest in certain options; (ii) restrictions may be imposed by an exchange on opening transactions or closing transactions or both; (iii) trading halts, suspensions or other restrictions may be imposed with respect to particular classes or series of options; (iv) unusual or unforeseen circumstances may interrupt normal operations on an exchange; (v) the facilities of an exchange or the Options Clearing Corporation “OCC” may not at all times be adequate to handle current trading volume; or (vi) one or more exchanges could, for economic or other reasons, decide or be compelled at some future date to discontinue the trading of options (or a particular class or series of options). If trading were discontinued, the secondary market on that exchange (or in that class or series of options) would cease to exist. However, outstanding options on that exchange that had been issued by the OCC as a result of trades on that exchange would continue to be exercisable in accordance with their terms. If the Trust were unable to close out a covered call option that it had written on a security, it would not be able to sell the underlying security unless the option expired without exercise.



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*Over-the-Counter Option Risk.* The Trust may purchase and write (sell) unlisted (“OTC” or “over-the-counter”) options. Options written by the Trust with respect to Non-U.S. Securities, indices or sectors generally will be OTC options. OTC options differ from exchange-listed options in that they are two-party contracts, with exercise price, premium and other terms negotiated between buyer and seller, and generally do not have as much market liquidity as exchange-listed options. The counterparties to these transactions typically will be major international banks, broker-dealers and financial institutions. The Trust may be required to treat as illiquid those securities being used to cover certain written OTC options. The OTC options written by the Trust will not be issued, guaranteed or cleared by the OCC. In addition, the Trust’s ability to terminate the OTC options may be more limited than with exchange-traded options. Banks, broker-dealers or other financial institutions participating in such transactions may fail to settle a transaction in accordance with the terms of the option as written. In the event of default or insolvency of the counterparty, the Trust may be unable to liquidate an OTC option position.

*Index Option Risk.* The Trust may purchase and sell index put and call options from time to time. The purchaser of an index put option has the right to any depreciation in the value of the index below the exercise price of the option on or before the expiration date. The purchaser of an index call option has the right to any appreciation in the value of the index over the exercise price of the option on or before the expiration date. Because the exercise of an index option is settled in cash, sellers of index call options, such as the Trust, cannot provide in advance for their potential settlement obligations by acquiring and holding the underlying securities. The Trust will lose money if it is required to pay the purchaser of an index option the difference between the cash value of the index on which the option was written and the exercise price and such difference is greater than the premium received by the Trust for writing the option. The value of index options written by the Trust, which will be priced daily, will be affected by changes in the value and dividend rates of the underlying common stocks in the respective index, changes in the actual or perceived volatility of the stock market and the remaining time to the options’ expiration. The value of the index options also may be adversely affected if the market for the index options becomes less liquid or smaller. Distributions paid by the Trust on its common shares may be derived in part from the net index option premiums it receives from selling index put and call options, less the cost of paying settlement amounts to purchasers of the options that exercise their options. Net index option premiums can vary widely over the short term and long term.

*Asset-Backed Securities Risk.* Payment of interest and repayment of principal on asset-backed securities is largely dependent upon the cash flows generated by the assets backing the securities and, in certain cases, supported by letters of credit, surety bonds or other credit enhancements. Asset-backed security values may also be affected by the creditworthiness of the servicing agent for the pool, the originator of the loans or receivables and any entities providing the credit enhancement. In addition, the underlying assets are subject to prepayments that shorten the securities’ weighted average maturity and may lower their return.

*Mortgage-Backed Securities Risk.* A mortgage-backed security, which represents an interest in a pool of assets such as mortgage loans, will mature once all the mortgages in the pool mature or are prepaid. Therefore, mortgage-backed securities do not have a fixed maturity, and their expected maturities may vary when interest rates rise or fall.

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When interest rates fall, homeowners are more likely to prepay their mortgage loans. An increased rate of prepayments on the Trust's mortgage-backed securities will result in an unforeseen loss of interest income to the Trust, as the Trust may be required to reinvest assets at a lower interest rate. Because prepayments increase when interest rates fall, the price of mortgage-backed securities does not increase as much as that of other fixed income securities when interest rates fall.

When interest rates rise, homeowners are less likely to prepay their mortgage loans. A decreased rate of prepayments lengthens the expected maturity of a mortgage-backed security. Therefore, the prices of mortgage-backed securities may decrease more than prices of other fixed income securities when interest rates rise.

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*Repurchase Agreement Risk.* The Trust may enter into reverse repurchase transactions with BNP Securities or other banks and securities dealers. A reverse repurchase transaction is a repurchase transaction in which the Trust is the seller of, rather than the investor in, securities or other assets and agrees to repurchase them at a date certain or on demand. Use of a reverse repurchase transaction may be preferable to a regular sale and later repurchase of securities or other assets because it avoids certain market risks and transaction costs. Reverse repurchase transactions involve the risk that the market value of securities and/or other assets purchased by the Trust with the proceeds received by the Trust in connection with such reverse repurchase transactions may decline below the market value of the securities the Trust is obligated to repurchase under such reverse repurchase transactions. They also involve the risk that the counterparty liquidates the securities delivered to it by the Trust under the reverse repurchase agreement following the occurrence of an event of default under the reverse repurchase agreement by the Trust. At the time when the Trust enters into a reverse repurchase transactions, liquid securities (cash, U.S. Government securities or other “high grade” debt obligations) of the Trust having a value at least as great as the Purchase Price of the securities to be purchased will be segregated on the books of the Trust throughout the period of the obligation. The use of these investment strategies may increase NAV fluctuation.

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*Derivatives Risk.* Derivative transactions in which the Trust may engage for hedging and speculative purposes or to enhance total return, including engaging in transactions such as options, futures, swaps, foreign currency transactions, forward foreign currency contracts, currency swaps or options on currency futures and other derivatives transactions (collectively, “Derivative Transactions”), involve certain risks and special considerations. Derivatives Risk is a combination of several risks, including the risks that: (1) an investment in a derivative instrument may not correlate well with the performance of the securities or asset class to which the Trust seeks exposure, (2) derivative contracts, including options, may expire worthless and the use of derivatives may result in losses to the Trust, (3) a derivative instrument entailing leverage may result in a loss greater than the principal amount invested, (4) derivatives not traded on an exchange may be subject to credit risk, for example, if the counterparty does not meet its obligations (see also “Counterparty Risk”), and (5) derivatives not traded on an exchange may be subject to liquidity risk and the related risk that the instrument is difficult or impossible to value accurately. Derivatives are financial contracts whose value depends on, or is derived from, the value of underlying assets, reference rates, or indices. Derivatives involve the risk that changes in their value may not move as expected relative to the value of the assets, rates, or indices they are designed to track. Derivatives include futures, non-U.S. currency contracts, swap contracts, warrants, and options contracts. Derivatives may relate to securities, interest rates, currencies or currency exchange rates, inflation rates, commodities, and indices.

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*Derivatives; Future Developments.* The above discussion relates to the Trust's proposed use of certain types of derivatives currently available. However, the Trust is not limited to the transactions described above. In addition, the relevant markets and related regulations are constantly changing and, in the future, the Trust may use derivatives not currently available or widely in use.

*Regulatory Risk.* Legal, tax and regulatory changes could occur and may adversely affect the Trust and its ability to pursue its investment strategies and/or increase the costs of implementing such strategies. New (or revised) laws or regulations may be imposed by the Commission, the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the "CFTC"), the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS"), the U.S. Federal Reserve or other banking regulators, other governmental regulatory authorities or self-regulatory organizations that supervise the financial markets that could adversely affect the Trust. In particular, these agencies are empowered to promulgate a variety of new rules pursuant to financial reform legislation in the United States. The Trust also may be adversely affected by changes in the enforcement or interpretation of existing statutes and rules by these governmental regulatory authorities or self-regulatory organizations.

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*Regulatory Risk – Commodity Pool Operator.* The Trust is operated by a person who has claimed an exclusion from the definition of the term “commodity pool operator” under the Commodity Exchange Act (“CEA”) pursuant to Rule 4.5 under the CEA; therefore, the Investment Adviser (with respect to the Trust) is not subject to registration or regulation as a “commodity pool operator” under the CEA. To remain eligible for the exclusion, the Trust will be limited in its ability to use certain derivatives instruments regulated under the CEA (“commodity interests”), including futures, most swaps and options on futures. In the event that the Trust’s investments in commodity interests exceed a certain threshold, the Investment Adviser may be required to register as a “commodity pool operator” and/or “commodity trading advisor” with the CFTC with respect to the Trust. The Investment Adviser’s eligibility to claim the exclusion with respect to the Trust will be based upon the level and scope of the Trust’s investment in commodity interests, the purposes of such investments and the manner in which the Trust holds out its use of commodity interests. For example, CFTC Rule 4.5 requires a fund with respect to which the operator is claiming the exclusion to, among other things, satisfy one of the two following trading thresholds: (i) the aggregate initial margin and premiums required to establish positions in commodity interests cannot exceed 5% of the liquidation value of a fund’s portfolio, after taking into account unrealized profits and unrealized losses; or (ii) the aggregate net notional value of commodity interests not used solely for “bona fide hedging purposes,” determined at the time the most recent position was established, cannot generally exceed 100% of the liquidation value of a fund’s portfolio, after taking into account unrealized profits and unrealized losses on any such positions it has entered into. The Trust currently intends to operate in a manner that would permit the Investment Adviser to continue to claim the exclusion under Rule 4.5, which may adversely affect the Investment Adviser’s ability to manage the Trust under certain market conditions and may adversely affect the Trust’s total return. In the event the Investment Adviser becomes unable to rely on the exclusion in Rule 4.5 and is required to register with the CFTC as a commodity pool operator, the Trust’s expenses may increase, adversely affecting the Trust’s total return.

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*Counterparty Risk.* The Trust will be subject to credit risk with respect to the counterparties to the derivative contracts purchased or sold by the Trust. Recently, several broker-dealers and other financial institutions have experienced extreme financial difficulty, sometimes resulting in bankruptcy of the institution. Although the Investment Adviser monitors the creditworthiness of the Trust's counterparties, there can be no assurance that the Trust's counterparties will not experience similar difficulties, possibly resulting in losses to the Trust. If a counterparty becomes bankrupt, or otherwise fails to perform its obligations under a derivative contract due to financial difficulties, the Trust may experience significant delays in obtaining any recovery under the derivative contract in a bankruptcy or other reorganization proceeding. The Trust may obtain only a limited recovery or may obtain no recovery in such circumstances. Material exposure to a single or small group of counterparties increases the Trust's counterparty risk.

*Credit Default Swaps Risk.* The Trust may enter into credit default swap agreements, which may have as reference obligations one or more debt securities or an index of such securities. In a credit default swap, one party (the "protection buyer") is obligated to pay the other party (the "protection seller") a stream of payments over the term of the contract, provided that no credit event, such as a default or, in some instances, a downgrade in credit rating, occurs on the reference obligation. If a credit event occurs, the protection seller must generally pay the protection buyer the "par value" (the agreed-upon notional value) of the referenced debt obligation in exchange for an equal face amount of deliverable reference obligations.

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*Market Risk Generally.* The profitability of a significant portion of the Trust's investment program depends to a great extent upon correctly assessing the future course of the price movements of securities and other investments and the movements of interest rates. The Investment Adviser may not be able to predict accurately these price and interest rate movements. With respect to certain investment strategies the Trust utilizes, there is a high degree of market risk.

*Reinvestment Risk.* The Trust reinvests the cash flows received from a security. The additional income from such reinvestment, sometimes called interest-on-interest, is reliant on the prevailing interest rate levels at the time of reinvestment. There is a risk that the interest rate at which interim cash flows can be reinvested will fall. Reinvestment risk is greater for longer holding periods and for securities with large, early cash flows such as high-coupon bonds. Reinvestment risk also applies generally to the reinvestment of the proceeds the Trust receives upon the maturity or sale of a portfolio security.



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*Timing Risk.* Many agency, corporate and municipal bonds, and most mortgage-backed securities, contain a provision that allows the issuer to “call” all or part of the issue before the bond’s maturity date — often after five or ten years. The issuer usually retains the right to refinance the bond in the future if market interest rates decline below the coupon rate. There are three disadvantages to the call provision. First, the cash flow pattern of a callable bond is not known with certainty. Second, because an issuer is more likely to call the bonds when interest rates have dropped, the Trust is exposed to reinvestment risk, i.e., the Trust may have to reinvest at lower interest rates the proceeds received when the bond is called. Finally, the capital appreciation potential of a bond will be reduced because the price of a callable bond may not rise much above the price at which the issuer may call the bond.

*Inflation Risk.* Inflation risk results from the variation in the value of cash flows from a security due to inflation, as measured in terms of purchasing power. For example, if the Trust purchases a bond in which it can realize a coupon rate of 5%, but the rate of inflation increases from 2% to 6%, then the purchasing power of the cash flow has declined. For all but adjustable bonds or floating rate bonds, the Trust is exposed to inflation risk because the interest rate the issuer promises to make is fixed for the life of the security. To the extent that interest rates reflect the expected inflation rate, floating rate bonds have a lower level of inflation risk. In addition, during any periods of rising inflation, dividend rates of any variable rate preferred stock issued by the Trust would likely increase, which would tend to further reduce returns to common shareholders.

*Arbitrage Risks.* The Trust engages in capital structure arbitrage and other arbitrage strategies. Arbitrage strategies entail various risks, including the risk that external events, regulatory approvals and other factors will impact the consummation of announced corporate events and/or the prices of certain positions. In addition, hedging is an important feature of capital structure arbitrage. There is no guarantee that the Investment Adviser will be able to hedge the Trust’s investment portfolio in the manner necessary to employ successfully the Trust’s strategy.

*Short Sales Risk.* Short selling involves selling securities that may or may not be owned and borrowing the same securities for delivery to the purchaser, with an obligation to replace the borrowed securities at a later date. Short selling allows the Trust to profit from declines in market prices to the extent such decline exceeds the transaction costs and the costs of borrowing the securities. However, because the borrowed securities must be replaced by purchases at market prices in order to close out the short position, any appreciation in the price of the borrowed securities would result in a loss. The securities necessary to cover a short position may not be available for purchase. Purchasing securities to close out the short position can itself cause the price of the securities to rise further, thereby exacerbating the loss. The Trust may mitigate such losses by replacing the securities sold short before the market price has increased significantly. Under adverse market conditions, the Trust might have difficulty purchasing securities to meet its short sale delivery obligations, and might have to sell portfolio securities to raise the capital necessary to meet its short sale obligations at a time when fundamental investment considerations would not favor such sales. Short sales by the Trust that are not made “against the box” theoretically involve unlimited loss potential, since the market price of securities sold short may continuously increase.

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*REIT Tax Risk for REIT Subsidiaries.* In addition to NREO and NREC, we may form one or more subsidiaries that will elect to be taxed as REITs beginning with the first year in which they commence material operations. In order for each subsidiary to qualify and maintain its qualification as a REIT, it must satisfy certain requirements set forth in the Code and Treasury Regulations that depend on various factual matters and circumstances. The Trust and the Investment Adviser intend to structure each REIT subsidiary and its activities in a manner designed to satisfy all of these requirements. However, the application of such requirements is not entirely clear, and it is possible that the IRS may interpret or apply those requirements in a manner that jeopardizes the ability of such REIT subsidiary to satisfy all of the requirements for qualification as a REIT.

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*MLP Risk.* The Trust may invest in “MLP” securities. MLPs typically are characterized as “publicly traded partnerships” that qualify to be treated as partnerships for U.S. federal income tax purposes and are principally engaged in one or more aspects of the exploration, production, processing, transmission, marketing, storage or delivery of energy-related commodities, such as natural gas, natural gas liquids, coal, crude oil or refined petroleum products (collectively, the energy industry). As a result, holders of MLP securities will be subject to risks related to the energy industry, including: (i) fluctuations in commodity prices; (ii) reduced volumes of natural gas or other energy commodities available for transporting, processing, storing or distributing; (iii) slowdowns in new construction and acquisitions; (iv) reduced demand for commodities such as crude oil, natural gas and refined petroleum products; (v) depletion of natural gas reserves or other commodities; (vi) extreme weather and environmental hazards; (vii) stricter laws, regulations or enforcement policies; and (viii) dangers inherent to the energy industry, such as leaks, fires, explosions, damage to facilities and equipment resulting from natural disasters, inadvertent damage to facilities and equipment and terrorist acts.

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*BDC Risk.* BDCs generally invest in less mature private companies or thinly traded U.S. public companies which involve greater risk than well-established publicly-traded companies. The Trust will indirectly bear its proportionate share of any management and other operating expenses and of any performance-based or incentive fees charged by the BDCs in which it invests, in addition to the expenses paid by the Trust. The Investment Company Act imposes certain constraints upon the operations of a BDC. Generally, little public information exists for private and thinly traded companies in which a BDC may invest and there is a risk that investors may not be able to make a fully informed evaluation of a BDC and its portfolio of investments. In addition, to qualify and remain eligible for the special tax treatment accorded to regulated investment companies (“RICs”) and their shareholders, the BDCs in which the Trust invests must meet certain source-of-income, asset diversification and annual distribution requirements. If a BDC in which the Trust invests fails to qualify as a RIC, such BDC would be liable for federal, and possibly state, corporate taxes on its taxable income and gains. Such failure by a BDC could substantially reduce the BDC’s net assets and the amount of income available for distribution to the Trust, which would in turn decrease the total return of the Trust in respect of such investment.

*Risks of Investing in Structured Finance Securities.* A portion of the Trust’s investments may consist of equipment trust certificates, collateralized mortgage obligations, collateralized bond obligations (“CBOs”), CLOs or similar instruments. Such structured finance securities are generally backed by an asset or a pool of assets, which serve as collateral. Depending on the type of security, the collateral may take the form of a portfolio of mortgage loans or bonds or other assets. The Trust and other investors in structured finance securities ultimately bear the credit risk of the underlying collateral. In some instances, the structured finance securities are issued in multiple tranches, offering investors various maturity and credit risk characteristics, often categorized as senior, mezzanine and subordinated/equity according to their degree of risk. If there are defaults or the relevant collateral otherwise underperforms, scheduled payments to senior tranches of such securities take precedence over those of mezzanine tranches, and scheduled payments to mezzanine tranches take precedence over those to subordinated/equity tranches. In light of the above considerations, structured finance securities may present risks similar to those of the other types of debt obligations in which the Trust may invest and, in fact, such risks may be of greater significance in the case of structured finance securities. Moreover, investing in structured finance securities may entail a variety of unique risks. In addition to the risks noted above and other risks, structured finance securities may be subject to prepayment risk. In addition, the performance of a structured finance security will be affected by a variety of factors, including the security’s priority in the capital structure of the issuer thereof, the availability of any credit enhancement, the level and timing of payments and recoveries on and the characteristics of the underlying receivables, loans or other assets that are being securitized, remoteness of those assets from the originator or transferor, the adequacy of and ability to realize upon any related collateral and the capability of the servicer of the securitized assets. In addition, the complex structure of the security may produce unexpected investment results, especially during times of market stress or volatility. Investments in structured finance securities may also be subject to illiquidity risk. Collateralized mortgage obligations may have risks similar to those of mortgage-backed securities. See “Mortgage-Backed Securities Risk” for more information.

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*Risks of Investing in Preferred Securities.* There are special risks associated with investing in preferred securities, including:

- *Deferral.* Preferred securities may include provisions that permit the issuer, at its discretion, to defer distributions for a stated period without any adverse consequences to the issuer. If the Trust owns a preferred security that is deferring the payment of its distributions, the Trust may be required to report income for U.S. federal income tax purposes to the extent of any such deferred distribution even though the Trust has not yet received such income. In order to receive the special treatment accorded to RICs and their shareholders under the Code and to avoid U.S. federal income or excise taxes at the Trust level, the Trust may be required to distribute this reported income to shareholders in the tax year in which the income is reported (without a corresponding receipt of cash). Therefore, the Trust may be required to pay out as an income distribution in any such tax year an amount greater than the total amount of income the Trust actually received, and, among other things, to sell portfolio securities, including at potentially disadvantageous times or prices, to obtain cash needed for these income distributions.
- *Subordination.* Preferred securities are subordinated to bonds and other debt instruments in a company's capital structure in terms of priority to corporate income and liquidation payments, and therefore will be subject to greater credit risk than more senior debt instruments.
- *Liquidity.* Preferred securities may be substantially less liquid than many other securities, such as common stock or U.S. government securities.
- *Limited Voting Rights.* Generally, preferred security holders have no voting rights with respect to the issuing company unless preferred dividends have been in arrears for a specified number of periods, at which time the preferred security holders may elect a number of directors to the issuer's board. Generally, once all the arrearages have been paid, the preferred security holders no longer have voting rights.

*Risks of Investing in Swaps.* Investments in swaps involve the exchange by the Trust with another party of their respective commitments. Use of swaps subjects the Trust to risk of default by the counterparty. If there is a default by the counterparty to such a transaction, there may be contractual remedies pursuant to the agreements related to the transaction although contractual remedies may not be sufficient in the event the counterparty is insolvent. The Trust may enter into credit default swaps, currency swaps or other swaps which may be surrogates for other instruments such as currency forwards or options. Swap agreements are sophisticated financial instruments that typically involve a small investment of cash relative to the magnitude of risks assumed. Swaps can be highly volatile and may have a considerable impact on the Trust's performance, as the potential gain or loss on any swap transaction is not necessarily subject to any fixed limit.

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*Risks of Investing in Synthetic Securities.* In addition to credit risks associated with holding non-investment grade loans and high-yield debt securities, with respect to synthetic securities the Trust will usually have a contractual relationship only with the counterparty of such synthetic securities, and not the issuer (the “Reference Obligor”) of the debt security or other obligation upon which the synthetic security is based (the “Reference Obligation”). The Trust generally will have no right to enforce directly compliance by the Reference Obligor with the terms of the Reference Obligation nor any rights of setoff against the Reference Obligor, nor have any voting rights with respect to the Reference Obligation. The Trust will not benefit directly from any collateral supporting the Reference Obligation or have the benefit of the remedies on default that would normally be available to a holder of such Reference Obligation. In addition, in the event of insolvency of its counterparty, the Trust will be treated as a general creditor of such counterparty and will not have any claim with respect to the credit risk of the counterparty as well as that of the Reference Obligor. As a result, investments in synthetic securities are subject to an additional degree of risk because they are subject to the credit risk of the counterparty as well as that of the Reference Obligor. The Investment Adviser may not perform independent credit analyses of any particular counterparty, or any entity guaranteeing the obligations of such counterparty. See “Prospectus Summary – Principal Risks of the Trust – Counterparty Risk.”

The Trust currently does not expect to invest more than 10% of its assets in synthetic securities as measured on a mark-to-market basis. However, the Trust’s investments in synthetic securities may exceed this amount from time to time.

*Valuation Risk.* Portfolio securities may be valued using techniques other than market quotations, under the circumstances described under “Determination of Net Asset Value.” The value established for a portfolio security may be different than what would be produced through the use of another methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio securities that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including “fair valued” securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their value from one day to the next than would be the case if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell a portfolio security for the value established for it at any time and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio security is sold at a discount to its established value.

Fair value is defined as the amount for which assets could be sold in an orderly disposition over a reasonable period of time, taking into account the nature of the asset. Fair value pricing, however, involves judgments that are inherently subjective and inexact, since fair valuation procedures are used only when it is not possible to be sure what value should be attributed to a particular asset or when an event will affect the market price of an asset and to what extent. As a result, fair value pricing may not reflect actual market value, and it is possible that the fair value determined for a security will be materially different from the value that actually could be or is realized upon the sale of that asset.

*Risks of Non-Diversification and Other Focused Strategies.* While the Investment Adviser invests in a number of fixed-income and equity instruments issued by different issuers and employs multiple investment strategies with respect to the Trust's investment portfolio, it is possible that a significant amount of the Trust's investments could be invested in the instruments of only a few companies or other issuers or that at any particular point in time one investment strategy could be more heavily weighted than the others. The focus of the Trust's investment portfolio in any one issuer would subject the Trust to a greater degree of risk with respect to defaults by such issuer or other adverse events affecting that issuer, and the focus of the portfolio in any one industry or group of industries would subject the Trust to a greater degree of risk with respect to economic downturns relating to such industry or industries. The focus of the Trust's investment portfolio in any one investment strategy would subject the Trust to a greater degree of risk than if the Trust's investment portfolio were varied in its investments with respect to several investment strategies.

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*Risks Related to Current Market Conditions.* Recently, debt markets have experienced a period of high volatility, which has negatively impacted market liquidity conditions and prices. Initially, the concerns on the part of market participants were focused on the subprime segment of the mortgage-backed securities market. These concerns expanded to include derivatives, securitized assets and a broad range of other debt securities, including those rated investment grade, the U.S. and international credit and interbank money markets generally, and a wide range of financial institutions and markets, asset classes, and sectors. As a result, debt instruments have experienced, and may in the future experience, liquidity issues, increased price volatility, credit downgrades, and increased likelihood of default. Debt securities may be difficult to value during such periods. These market conditions may have an adverse effect on the Trust's investments and hamper the Trust's ability to sell the debt securities in which it invests or to find and purchase suitable debt instruments. Because the Trust invests heavily in fixed income securities and related investments, it may underperform during periods of rising interest rates. Market conditions may also make it more difficult or impossible for the Trust to use leverage to the degree required, or make any such leverage more expensive (for example, by increasing interest expense). In addition, these conditions may directly and adversely affect the setting of dividend rates on the common shares.

*Risks of Investing in a Trust with Anti-Takeover Provisions.* The Trust's Agreement and Declaration of Trust includes provisions that could limit the ability of other entities or persons to acquire control of the Trust or convert the Trust to open-end status.

*Key Adviser Personnel Risk.* The Trust's ability to identify and invest in attractive opportunities is dependent upon the Investment Adviser. If one or more key individuals leaves the Investment Adviser, the Investment Adviser may not be able to hire qualified replacements or may require an extended time to do so. This situation could prevent the Trust from achieving its investment objectives.



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*Risks Relating to Dilution of Shareholders' Interests.* Shareholders' interests in the Trust may be diluted if they do not fully exercise their subscription rights in any rights offering. In addition, if the subscription price is less than our NAV per share, then there will be an immediate dilution of the aggregate NAV of our shares. In the event we issue subscription rights, shareholders who do not fully exercise their rights should expect that they will, at the completion of a rights offering pursuant to this Prospectus, own a smaller proportional interest in us than would otherwise be the case if they fully exercised their rights. Such dilution is not currently determinable because it is not known what proportion of the shares will be purchased as a result of such rights offering. Any such dilution will disproportionately affect non-exercising shareholders. This dilution could be substantial. The amount of any decrease in NAV is not predictable because it is not known at this time what the subscription price and NAV per share will be on the expiration date of the rights offering or what proportion of the shares will be purchased as a result of such rights offering.

*Risks Relating to Trust's Tax Status.* To remain eligible for the special tax treatment accorded to RICs and their shareholders under the Code, the Trust must meet certain source of income, asset diversification and annual distribution requirements. If the Trust were to fail to comply with the income, diversification or distribution requirements, the Trust could in some cases cure such failure, including by paying a Trust-level tax, paying interest, making additional distributions, or disposing of certain assets. If the Trust were ineligible to or otherwise did not cure such failure for any year, or were to otherwise fail to qualify as a RIC accorded special tax treatment, all of its taxable income regardless of whether timely distributed to shareholders would be subject to corporate-level tax and all of its distributions from earnings and profits (including from net long-term capital gains) would be taxable to shareholders as ordinary income. For individual shareholders who meet certain holding period requirements, such distributions would be eligible for reduced tax rates applicable to qualified dividend income. In any such event, the resulting corporate taxes could substantially reduce the Trust's net assets, the amount of income available for distribution and the amount of its distributions. Any such failure would have a material adverse effect on the Trust and its shareholders. In addition, in some cases, the Trust could be required to recognize unrealized gains, pay substantial taxes and interest and make substantial distributions in order to re-qualify as a RIC.

*RIC-Related Risks of Investments Generating Non-Cash Taxable Income.* Certain of the Trust's investments will require the Trust to recognize taxable income in a taxable year in excess of the cash generated on those investments during that year. In particular, the Trust expects that a substantial portion of its investments in loans and other debt obligations will be treated as having "market discount" and/or "original issue discount" for U.S. federal income tax purposes, which, in some cases, could be significant. Because the Trust may be required to recognize income in respect of these investments before or without receiving cash representing such income, the Trust may have difficulty satisfying the annual distribution requirements applicable to RICs and avoiding Trust-level U.S. federal income or excise taxes. Accordingly, the Trust may be required to sell portfolio securities, including at potentially disadvantageous times or prices, raise additional debt or equity capital, or reduce new investments, to obtain the cash needed to make these income distributions. If the Trust liquidates portfolio securities to raise cash, the Trust may realize gain or loss on such liquidations; in the event the Trust realizes net long-term or short-term capital gains from such liquidation transactions, its shareholders may receive larger capital gain or ordinary dividends, respectively, than they would in the absence of such transactions.

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*Limitations of Credit Ratings.* Credit ratings represent only the opinion of the rating agency with respect to the ability of the issuer to make principal and interest payments on the securities. In determining a credit rating, rating agencies do not evaluate the risks of fluctuations in market value. Further, there may be limits on the effectiveness of the rating agencies' financial models. For these and other reasons, a credit rating may not fully reflect the risks inherent in the relevant security. Further, a rating organization may have a conflict of interest with respect to a security for which it assigns a particular rating. For example, if the issuer or sponsor of a security pays a rating agency for the analysis of the security, an inherent conflict of interest may exist that could affect the reliability of the rating. In addition, credit rating agencies may or may not make timely changes in a rating to reflect changes in the economy or in the conditions of the issuer that affect the market value of the security. In other words, a security or an issuer may maintain a certain credit rating even though conditions have deteriorated since the rating was issued. Consequently, credit ratings should not necessarily be relied upon as an indicator of investment quality. If a rating organization changes the rating assigned to one or more of the Trust's portfolio securities, the Trust is not required to sell the relevant securities.

*Certain Affiliations.* Certain broker-dealers may be considered to be affiliated persons of the Trust or the Investment Adviser. Absent an exemption from the SEC or other regulatory relief, the Trust is generally precluded from effecting certain principal transactions with affiliated brokers, and its ability to purchase securities being underwritten by an affiliated broker or a syndicate including an affiliated broker, or to utilize affiliated brokers for agency transactions, is subject to restrictions. This could limit the Trust's ability to engage in securities transactions and take advantage of market opportunities. In addition, unless and until the underwriting syndicate is broken in connection with the IPO of the securities, the Trust will be precluded from effecting principal transactions with brokers who are members of the syndicate.

*Operational and Technology Risk.* Cyberattacks, disruptions, or failures that affect the Trust's service providers, counterparties, market participants, or issuers of securities held by the Trust may adversely affect the Trust and its shareholders, including by causing losses for the Trust or impairing Trust operations.

*Concentration Risk - Real Estate.* The Trust is required to invest at least 25% of the value of its total assets at the time of purchase in the securities of issuers conducting their principal business activities in the real estate industry. Under this policy, the Trust may be subject to greater market fluctuations than a fund that does not concentrate its investments in a particular industry. Financial, economic, business, and other developments affecting issuers in the real estate industry will have a greater effect on the Trust, and if securities of the real estate industry fall out of favor, the Trust could underperform, or its NAV may be more volatile than, funds that have greater industry diversification.

*Real Estate Industry Risk.* Issuers principally engaged in real estate industry, including REITs, may be subject to risks similar to the risks associated with the direct ownership of real estate, including: (i) changes in general economic and market conditions; (ii) changes in the value of real estate properties; (iii) risks related to local economic conditions, overbuilding and increased competition; (iv) increases in property taxes and operating expenses; (v) changes in zoning laws; (vi) casualty and condemnation losses; (vii) variations in rental income, neighborhood values or the appeal of property to tenants; (viii) the availability of financing and (ix) changes in interest rates and leverage.

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*Communications Industry Risk.* The market for communications products and services is characterized by rapidly changing technology, rapid product obsolescence, cyclical market patterns, evolving industry standards and frequent new product introductions. The success of the communications industry issuers depends in substantial part on the timely and successful introduction of new products and services. An unexpected change in the market for products or services based on a particular technology could have a material adverse affect on an issuer's operating results. Furthermore, there can be no assurance that communications industry issuers will be able to respond in a timely manner to compete in the rapidly developing marketplace. Many communications companies rely on a combination of patents, copyrights, trademarks and trade secret laws to establish and protect their intellectual property. There can be no assurance that the steps taken to protect intellectual property will be adequate to prevent misappropriation or that competitors will not independently develop products or services that are substantially equivalent or superior to such issuers' products or services.

*Given the risks described above, an investment in the securities may not be appropriate for all investors. You should carefully consider your ability to assume these risks before making an investment in the Trust.*

The Trust's common and preferred shares are registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") and we are required to file reports, proxy statements and other information with the Commission. The materials we file are available at the Commission's public reference room at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. You may obtain information about the operation of the Commission's public reference room by calling the Commission at 1-800-SEC-0330. In addition, the Commission maintains an Internet website, at <http://www.sec.gov>, that contains reports, proxy and information statements, and other information regarding issuers, including us, that file documents electronically with the Commission.

### Summary of Trust Fees and Expenses

The following table shows the Trust's expenses, including preferred shares offering expenses, as a percentage of net assets attributable to common shares.

#### Shareholder Transaction Expenses

Sales load (as a percentage of offering price)	— %
Offering expenses borne by holders of common shares (as a percentage of offering price)	0.05%(1)
Dividend reinvestment and cash purchase plan fees	None(2)
Preferred Shares Offering Expenses Borne by the Trust (as a percentage of net assets attributable to common shares)	

	Percentage of Net Assets Attributable to Common Shares (Gives Effect to Leverage Through Borrowings(3))
<b>Annual Expenses</b>	
Management fees	1.60%(4)
Other expenses	1.74%(5)
Dividend expense on short sales	0.16%
Interest payments on borrowed funds	1.27%(6)
Remainder of other expenses	0.31%
Total annual expenses	3.34%
Dividends on Preferred Shares	—%
Total Annual Expenses and Dividends on Preferred Shares	3.34%

- (1) The fees and expenses of the Offering will be borne by the Trust and indirectly by all of its common shareholders, including those who do not exercise their Rights.
- (2) Common shareholders will pay a brokerage commission of \$0.04 per share sold if they direct the Plan Agent (as defined in the accompanying Prospectus) to sell common shares held in a dividend reinvestment account. See “Dividend Reinvestment Plan” in the accompanying Prospectus.

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- (3) Assumes leverage in the amount of 25% of net assets. As of December 31, 2018, the Trust employed leverage in an amount equal to 23.7% of net assets. The Trust may use leverage through borrowings and/or preferred shares. The Trust currently leverages through borrowings from two committed facilities and through a master repurchase agreement. See “Principal Risks of the Trust — Leverage Risk” in the accompanying Prospectus for a brief description of the Trust’s Committed Facility with BNP, the Repurchase Agreement with BNP Securities and the Committed Facility with KeyBank National Association.
- (4) Management fees are the investment advisory and administrative services fees paid to the Investment Adviser, which are computed based on Managed Assets. See “Management of the Trust — Investment Adviser” and “Management of the Trust — Administrator/Sub-Administrator” in the accompanying Prospectus. Such fees have been converted to net assets for purposes of the fee table presentation as follows: management fees, assuming no leverage, divided by (one minus the Trust’s assumed leverage of 25% of the Trust’s total assets). Because the base management fees of 1.20% (including an administrative fee of 0.20%) are based on the Trust’s gross assets, when the Trust uses leverage, the base management fees as a percentage of net assets attributable to common shares will increase because the Trust’s common shareholders bear all of the fees and expenses of the Trust.
- (5) “Other Expenses,” which is based on the Trust’s estimated current expenses, includes costs associated with the Trust’s short sales on securities, including dividend and interest expenses associated with securities sold short. When a cash dividend is declared or interest is payable on a security for which the Trust holds a short position, the Trust incurs the obligation to pay an amount equal to that dividend or interest to the lender of the shorted security. Thus, the estimate for dividend and interest expenses paid is also based on the dividend yields or interest payments of securities that would be sold short as part of anticipated trading practices (which may involve avoiding dividend or interest expenses with respect to certain short sale transactions by closing out the position prior to the underlying issuer’s ex-dividend or ex-interest date). “Other Expenses” also includes the dividend and interest expense that the Trust is expected to incur during the current fiscal year.
- (6) Assumes the use of leverage in the form of borrowings representing 25% of the Trust’s total assets (including assets obtained through such borrowing) at an effective annual interest rate cost to the Trust of 3.81%. This variable rate is based on current interest rates under the Trust’s borrowing facilities and is subject to change. The interest rate will increase in rising interest rate environments and, therefore, the actual interest expense borne by Trust shareholders will increase over time in a rising interest rate environment. The Margin Facility has a rolling 90-day term. There is no guarantee that the Trust will be able to renew its credit facility on these or other favorable terms in the future. While the Trust has no present intention to issue preferred shares within the next twelve months, if an attractive preferred shares financing opportunity were to come to the Trust’s attention during that period, the Trust may consider that opportunity.
- (7) Dividends on Preferred Shares, which will be disclosed in the related Prospectus Supplement, represent the aggregate of (1) the estimated distributions on the existing preferred shares outstanding and (2) the distributions that would be made assuming \$— million of preferred shares is issued with a fixed dividend rate of —%. There can, of course, be no guarantee that any preferred shares would be issued or, if issued, the terms thereof. This information will be updated if and when preferred shares are outstanding.

## EXAMPLE

The following example illustrates the projected expenses that you would pay on a \$1,000 investment in preferred shares of the Trust (including the estimated costs of this offering borne by the Trust of \$455,000), assuming (1) that the Trust’s current net assets do not increase or decrease, (2) that the Trust maintains a leverage ratio of 20% from all sources of leverage, (3) that the Trust incurs total annual expenses of 3.34% of net assets attributable to common shares through year 10, and (4) a 5% annual return. The following example also assumes all dividends and distributions are reinvested at NAV. **The example should not be considered a representation of future expenses, and actual expenses (including leverage and other expenses) may be greater or less than those shown.**

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	<u>1 Year</u>	<u>3 Years</u>	<u>5 Years</u>	<u>10 Years</u>
Total expenses incurred	\$ 34	\$ 103	\$ 175	\$ 363

\*\* The example includes Dividends of Preferred Shares. If Dividends on Preferred Shares were not included in the example calculation, the expenses for the 1-, 3-, 5- and 10-year periods in the table above would be as follows (based on the same assumptions as above): \$34, \$103, \$175 and \$363. The applicable Prospectus Supplement to be used in connection with any sales of securities will set forth any applicable sales load and the estimated offering expenses borne by the Trust.

**Financial Highlights**

The following Financial Highlights table is intended to help you understand the Trust's financial performance since inception. The information in the table was audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm. Financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018 and the Report of the Independent Registered Accounting Firm thereon appear in the Trust's Annual Report for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2018 are incorporated by reference into the Statement of Additional Information ("SAI") and available from the Trust upon request. The Trust's performance has been enhanced by the existence of contractual waivers of fees and expenses, which may not continue into the future.

Selected data for a share outstanding throughout each period is as follows:

	<u>For the Years Ended December 31,</u>				
	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015*</u>	<u>2014</u>
<b>Net Asset Value, Beginning of Year</b>	\$ 26.02	\$ 25.89	\$ 22.92	\$ 53.92	\$ 11.34
Income from Investment Operations:					
Net investment income(a)	0.75	0.93	4.08	8.75(b)	0.82
Net realized and unrealized gain/(loss)	0.83	2.88	1.69	(16.08)	2.02
Total from investment operations	1.58	3.81	5.77	(7.33)	2.84
<b>Less Distributions Declared to Common Shareholders:</b>					
From net investment income	(0.77)	(2.39)	(2.80)	(2.88)	(0.70)
From return of capital	(1.63)	(0.01)	—	—	—
From spin-off(d)	—	—	—	(20.79)	—
Total distributions declared to common shareholders	(2.40)	(2.40)	(2.80)	(23.67)	(0.70)
<b>Issuance of Common Shares(e):</b>					
Shares Issued:	(1.46)	(1.28)	—	—	—
<b>Net Asset Value, End of Period</b>	\$ 23.74	\$ 26.02	\$ 25.89	\$ 22.92	\$ 13.48
<b>Market Value, End of Period</b>	\$ 19.93	\$ 25.29	\$ 22.77	\$ 20.44	\$ 11.23
Market Value Total Return(f)	(8.93)%	27.31%	27.69%	(18.09)%	26.77%
<b>Ratios to Average Net Assets/ Supplemental Data:</b>					
Net assets, end of period (in 000's)	\$767,711	\$592,309	\$414,800	\$366,078	\$860,877
<b>Common Shares Information at End of Period:</b>					
<b>Ratios based on average net assets of common shares:</b>					
Gross operating expenses(g)	2.65%	2.58%	3.12%	3.43%	2.48%
Net investment income/(loss)	3.02%	3.69%	17.34%	24.23%(h)	6.45%
<b>Common and Preferred Shares Information at End of Period:</b>					
<b>Ratios based on average managed assets of common shares:</b>					
Gross operating expenses(g)	2.14%	2.21%	2.17%	2.23%	1.68%
Net investment income/(loss)	2.44%	3.16%	12.05%	15.79%(i)	4.38%
Portfolio turnover rate(j)	48%	36%	41%	31%	59%
Average commission rate paid(k)	0.0263	0.0286	0.0294	0.0223	0.0266

\* Per share data prior to October 6, 2015 has been adjusted to give effect to a 4 to 1 reverse stock split.

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- (a) Net investment income (loss) per share was calculated using average shares outstanding during the period.
- (b) Includes non-recurring dividend from NREO.
- (c) Less than 0.005%
- (d) On April 1, 2015, the Fund completed a spinoff transaction whereby shares of NexPoint Residential Trust, Inc. were distributed to shareholders in a pro-rata taxable distribution
- (e) Shares issued at a discount to NAV. The per share impact was derived by computing (A) the number of shares issued times (B) the difference between the net proceeds per share and NAV divided by (C) the total shares outstanding following the share issuance.
- (f) Based on market value per share. Distributions, if any, are assumed for purposes of this calculation to be reinvested at prices obtained under the Fund's Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
- (g) Supplemental expense ratios are shown below:

	For the Years Ended December 31,				
	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
<b>Ratios based on average net assets of common shares:</b>					
Net operating expenses (net of waiver/reimbursement, if applicable, but gross of all other operating expenses)	2.65%	2.58%	3.12%	3.43%	2.48%
Interest expense and commitment fees	0.90%	0.69%	0.93%	0.71%	0.50%
Dividends and fees on securities sold short	— %(c)	— %(c)	0.07%	0.24%	0.07%

	For the Years Ended December 31,				
	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
<b>Ratios based on Managed Assets of common shares:</b>					
Net operating expenses (net of waiver/reimbursement, if applicable, but gross of all other operating expenses)	2.14%	2.21%	2.17%	2.23%	1.68%
Interest expense and commitment fees	0.73%	0.59%	0.65%	0.46%	0.34%
Dividends and fees on securities sold short	— %(c)	— %(c)	0.05%	0.15%	0.04%

- (h) Net investment income (excluding non-recurring dividend from NREO) was 9.76%.
- (i) Net investment income (excluding non-recurring dividend from NREO) was 6.36%.
- (j) Excludes in-kind activity.
- (k) Represents the total dollar amount of commissions paid on portfolio transactions divided by total number of portfolio shares purchased and sold for which commissions were charged.

The following table sets forth additional information regarding the Trust's credit facility since inception:

Year	Total Amount Outstanding	Asset Coverage per \$1,000 of Indebtedness
2007	248,000,000	\$ 3,504
2008	141,000,000	\$ 3,562
2009	112,000,000	\$ 5,096
2010	120,000,000	\$ 5,106
2011	173,000,000	\$ 3,561
2012	225,000,000	\$ 3,117
2013	318,500,000	\$ 3,275
2014	385,336,455	\$ 3,230
2015	186,625,315 <sup>1</sup>	\$ 2,962 <sup>1,2</sup>
2016	124,983,081	\$ 4,319
2017	31,933,494	\$ 19,548
2018	239,507,979	\$ 4,205

- 1 Excludes borrowings of \$29,300,000 deemed to be temporary in accordance with Section 18 of the Investment Company Act.
- 2 The Trust closes its net asset value daily, and using asset prices available at the time of the December 31, 2015 NAV close, the Trust calculated asset coverage of greater than 300%. The Trust received updated prices for certain instruments in January that were used for financial reporting purposes. These updated prices pushed the percentage of asset coverage down to 296.2%. As of February 4, 2016, the date that the Trust declared the February monthly dividend, the percentage of asset coverage was over 300%.





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We may offer, from time to time, in one or more Offerings, up to \$500,000,000 of our fixed rate preferred shares or subscription rights (either transferable or non-transferable), separately or as units comprising any combination of the foregoing, on the terms to be determined at the time of such Offering. The Prospectus Supplement relating to any sale of fixed rate preferred shares will set forth the liquidation preference and information about the dividend period, dividend rate, any call protection or non-call period and other matters. The Prospectus Supplement relating to any offering of subscription rights will set forth the number of common and/or fixed rate preferred shares issuable upon the exercise of each right and the other terms of such rights offering. We may sell the securities through underwriters or dealers, directly to one or more purchasers, through agents or through a combination of any such methods of sale (including agents, underwriters or dealers affiliated with the Investment Adviser). Any underwriter or agent involved in the offer and sale of the securities will be named in the applicable Prospectus Supplement.

While the aggregate number and amount of securities we may issue pursuant to this registration statement is limited to \$500,000,000 of securities, our Board may, without any action by the shareholders, amend our Agreement and Declaration of Trust from time to time to increase or decrease the aggregate number of shares or the number of shares of any class or series that we have authority to issue. We may not sell any of our securities through agents, underwriters or dealers without delivery of a Prospectus Supplement describing the method and terms of the particular offering.

The distribution of the securities may be effected from time to time in one or more transactions at a fixed price or prices, which may be changed, at prevailing market prices at the time of sale, at prices related to such prevailing market prices, or at negotiated prices; *provided, however*, that the price per share at which our common shares are sold, less any underwriting commissions or discounts, must equal or exceed the NAV per share of our common shares at the time of the offering except (i) in connection with a rights offering to our existing shareholders, (ii) with the consent of the majority of our common shareholders, or (iii) under such circumstances as the Commission may permit.

In connection with the sale of the securities, underwriters or agents may receive compensation from us or from purchasers of the securities, for whom they may act as agents, in the form of discounts, concessions, commissions, structuring fees, distribution assistance payments or other compensation. Underwriters may sell the securities to or through dealers and such dealers may receive compensation in the form of discounts, concessions or commissions from the underwriters and/or commissions from the purchasers for whom they may act as agents. Underwriters, dealers and agents that participate in the distribution of the securities may be deemed to be underwriters under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") and any discounts, commissions or other compensation they receive from us and any profit realized by them on the resale of the securities may be deemed to be underwriting discounts and commissions under the Securities Act. Any such underwriter or agent will be identified and any such compensation received from us will be described in the applicable Prospectus Supplement. The maximum commission or discount to be received by any member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA") or independent broker-dealer will not be greater than 9% for the sale of any securities being registered.

We may sell the securities through agents from time to time. The Prospectus Supplement will name any agent involved in the offer or sale of the securities and any commissions we pay to them. Generally, any agent will be acting on a best efforts basis for the period of its appointment.

Any securities sold pursuant to a Prospectus Supplement may be traded on the New York Stock Exchange (the "NYSE"), or another exchange on which the securities are traded.

Under agreements that we may enter, underwriters, dealers and agents who participate in the distribution of shares of our securities may be entitled to indemnification by us against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act. Underwriters, dealers and agents may engage in transactions with, or perform services for, us in the ordinary course of business.

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In order to comply with the securities laws of certain states, if applicable, our securities offered hereby will be sold in such jurisdictions only through registered or licensed brokers or dealers.

The Trust's common shareholders will indirectly bear all of the various expenses incurred in connection with the distribution activities described herein.

### **Use of Proceeds**

The Trust will invest the net proceeds of the Offer in accordance with the Trust's investment objectives and policies as stated in the accompanying Prospectus Supplement. Assuming current market conditions, the Trust estimates that investment of the net proceeds of an Offering will be substantially complete within one to three months of the completion of such Offering. Pending such investment, it is anticipated that the proceeds of the Offering may be invested in cash and/or short-term debt securities. These temporary investments are expected to provide a lower net return than we hope to achieve from our targeted investments. Following the completion of the Offering, the Trust may increase the amount of leverage outstanding. See "Use of Leverage."

### **The Trust**

The Trust is a non-diversified, closed-end management investment company. The Trust was organized as a Delaware statutory trust on March 10, 2006, pursuant to an Agreement and Declaration of Trust governed by the laws of the State of Delaware. The Trust commenced operations on June 29, 2006, following its IPO. The Trust's principal office is located at 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201 and its telephone number is 1-866-351-4440.

### **Investment Objectives and Policies**

The Trust's investment objectives are to provide both current income and capital appreciation. The Trust seeks to achieve its investment objectives by investing primarily in the following categories of securities and instruments of corporations and other business entities: (i) secured and unsecured floating and fixed rate loans; (ii) bonds and other debt obligations; (iii) debt obligations of stressed, distressed and bankrupt issuers; (iv) structured products, including but not limited to, mortgage-backed and other asset-backed securities and collateralized debt obligations; (v) equities; (vi) other investment companies, including BDCs; and (vii) REITs. The Trust may also invest in other securities and instruments, including derivative instruments. Subject to these general guidelines, the Investment Adviser has broad discretion to allocate the Trust's assets among these investment categories and other investments and to change allocations as conditions warrant. In order to pursue most effectively its opportunistic investment strategy, the Trust will not maintain fixed duration, maturity or credit quality policies. The Trust may invest in debt obligations of any credit quality. The Trust may invest in securities and obligations of domestic issuers and in credit or securities market investments that are Non-U.S. Securities.

Additionally, the Trust has a fundamental policy to concentrate its investments in the real estate industry, and, under normal market conditions, the Trust invests at least 25% of the value of its total assets at the time of purchase in the securities of issuers conducting their principal business activities in the real estate industry. Within the categories of obligations and securities in which the Trust invests, the Investment Adviser employs various trading strategies, including capital structure arbitrage, pair trades and shorting. Capital structure arbitrage is a strategy in which the Trust seeks opportunities created by mispricing in different markets of various instruments issued by one corporation. Pair trades involve matching a long position with a short position in two stocks of different issuers in the same sector, betting that the "spread" between the two will eventually converge. Short selling (also known as shorting or going short) is a strategy in which the Trust sells a security it does not own in anticipation that the market price of that security will decline. See "Portfolio Composition" for further description of these strategies. The Trust may also invest in these categories of obligations and securities through the use of derivatives. The Trust is not limited in the amount it may invest in derivatives, and it may use derivatives for speculative purposes. There is no limitation on the amount of securities and other instruments rated below investment grade, which are commonly referred to as "junk securities," that the Trust may purchase, and under normal circumstances substantially all of the Trust's investment portfolio is expected to consist of such securities and instruments or securities and other instruments which, if unrated, are considered to be of similar quality. The Trust may invest a significant portion of its assets in issuers that are in default or that present a high risk of default. Junk securities are subject to greater risk of loss of principal and interest and may be less liquid than investment grade securities. The Trust may invest up to 15% of its net assets in entities that are excluded from registration under the Investment Company Act by virtue of section 3(c)(1) and 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act (such as private equity funds or hedge funds). This limitation does not apply to any CLOs, certain of which may rely on Section 3(c)(1) or 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act.



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The Trust's investment objectives may be changed without shareholder approval. There can be no assurance that the Trust's investment objectives will be achieved.

### **Investment Strategies**

Under normal market conditions, the Trust invests across various markets in which the Investment Adviser holds significant investment experience: primarily the leveraged loan, high yield, structured products, real estate, communications, natural resources and stressed and distressed markets. The Investment Adviser makes investment decisions based on quantitative analysis, which employs sophisticated, data-intensive models to drive the investment process. The Trust has a fundamental policy to concentrate its investments in the real estate industry, and, under normal market conditions, the Trust invests at least 25% of the value of its total assets at the time of purchase in the securities of issuers conducting their principal business activities in the real estate industry and the Investment Adviser has full discretion regarding the capital markets from which it can access investment opportunities in accordance with the investment limitations set forth in this Prospectus.

The Investment Adviser uses trading strategies to seek to exploit pricing inefficiencies across the credit markets, or debt markets, and within an individual issuer's capital structure. The Investment Adviser varies its investments by strategy, industry, security type and credit market, but reserves the right to re-position its portfolio among these criteria depending on market dynamics, and thus the Trust may experience high portfolio turnover. The Investment Adviser manages interest rate, default, currency and systemic risks through a variety of trading methods and market tools, including derivative hedging instruments, as it deems appropriate. This multi-strategy investment program allows the Investment Adviser to assess what it considers to be the best opportunities across multiple markets and to adjust quickly the Trust's trading strategies and market focus to changing conditions. The Investment Adviser focuses primarily on the U.S. marketplace, but may pursue opportunities in the non-U.S. credit or securities markets by investing the Trust's assets in Non-U.S. Securities.

The Investment Adviser may select investments from a wide range of trading strategies and credit markets in order to vary the Trust's investments and to optimize the risk-reward parameters of the Trust. The Investment Adviser does not intend to invest the Trust's assets according to pre-determined allocations. The investment team and other personnel of the Investment Adviser use a wide range of resources to identify attractive individual investments and promising investment strategies for consideration in connection with investments by the Trust. The following is a description of the general types of securities in which the Trust may invest. This description is merely a summary, and the Investment Adviser has discretion to cause the Trust to invest in other types of securities and to follow other investment criteria and guidelines as described herein.

The Trust invests and trades in listed and unlisted, public and private, rated and unrated, debt and equity instruments and other obligations, including structured debt and equity instruments and financial derivatives. Investments may include investments in stressed and distressed positions, which may include publicly-traded debt and equity securities (including securities of REITs, BDCs and MLPs), obligations which were privately placed with banks, insurance companies and other lending institutions, trade claims, accounts receivable and any other form of obligation recognized as a claim in a bankruptcy or workout process. The Trust may invest in securities traded in foreign countries and denominated in foreign currencies.

REITs are pooled investment vehicles that invest primarily in income-producing real estate or real estate-related loans or interests. Foreign REIT equivalents are entities located in jurisdictions that have adopted legislation substantially similar to the REIT tax provisions in that they provide for favorable tax treatment for the foreign REIT equivalent and require distributions of income to shareholders. The Trust seeks to gain exposure to the real estate markets, in whole or in part, by investing in certain REIT subsidiaries of the Trust, notably NexPoint Real Estate Opportunities, LLC (formerly Freedom REIT) ("NREO") and NexPoint Real Estate Capital, LLC ("NREC").

With respect to the Trust's real estate investments, the Adviser seeks to: (i) recognize and allocate capital based upon where the Adviser believes we are in the current real estate cycle, and as a result (ii) minimize drawdowns during market downturns and maximize risk adjusted returns during all market cycles, though there can be no assurance that this strategy will achieve this objective. The Trust will rely on the expertise of the Adviser and its affiliates to determine the appropriate structure for structured credit investments, which may include bridge loans, common and preferred equity or other debt-like positions, as well as the acquisition of such instruments from banks, servicers or other third parties.

Preferred equity and mezzanine investments in real estate transactions come in various forms which may or may not be documented in the borrower's organizational documents. Generally, real estate preferred equity and/or mezzanine investments are typically junior to first mortgage financing but senior to the borrower's or sponsor's equity contribution. The investments are typically

structured as an investment by a third-party investor in the real estate owner or various affiliates in the chain of ownership in exchange for a direct or indirect ownership interest in the real estate owner entitling it to a preferred/priority return on its investment. Sometimes, the investment is structured much like a loan where (i) "interest" on the investment is required to be paid monthly by the "borrower" regardless of available property cash flow; (ii) the entire investment is required to be paid by a certain maturity date; (iii) default rate "interest" and penalties are assessed against the "borrower" in the event payments are not made timely; and (iv) a default in the repayment of investment potentially results in the loss of management and/or ownership control by the "borrower" in the company in favor of the investor or other third-party.

As part of its investment program, the Trust may invest, from time to time, in securities or other instruments that are sold in private placements and that are neither listed on an exchange, nor traded over the counter. The Trust may also receive equity or equity-related securities in connection with a workout transaction or may invest directly in equity securities.

The Trust may employ currency hedges (either in the forward or options markets) in certain circumstances to reduce currency risk and may engage in other derivative transactions for hedging purposes or to enhance total return. The Trust may also lend securities and engage in short sales of securities. The Trust currently leverages through borrowings from a committed facility, through a master repurchase agreement and through a bridge credit agreement. Additionally, the Trust may continue to use leverage in the future through borrowings or the issuance of preferred shares. However, the Trust has no present intention to issue preferred shares within the next twelve months. However, it is possible that an attractive preferred shares financing opportunity may arise, which the Trust may consider. In addition, the Trust may invest in the securities of companies whose capital structures are highly leveraged.

From time to time, the Investment Adviser may also invest a portion of the Trust's assets in short-term U.S. government obligations, certificates of deposit, commercial paper and other money market instruments, including repurchase agreements with respect to such obligations and pooled investment vehicles (for example, money market funds) that invest in these obligations, to enable the Trust to make investments quickly, to serve as collateral with respect to certain of its investments, and for other cash management purposes. A greater percentage of Trust assets may be invested in such obligations if the Investment Adviser believes that a defensive position is appropriate because of the outlook for security prices or in order to respond to adverse market, economic, business or political conditions.

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As of June 30, 2019, 14% of the Trust's investment portfolio consisted of unrated securities, 3% of the Trust's investment portfolio consisted of securities rated below investment grade, also known as "junk securities," 1% of the Trust's investment portfolio consisted of securities of issuers that are in default, 1% of the Trust's investment portfolio consisted of securities rated investment grade, 47% of the Trust's investment portfolio consisted of equities (excluding investments considered to be debt obligations) and 34% of the Trust's investment portfolio consisted of REITs. All of the unrated securities referenced in the prior sentence have credit characteristics substantially equivalent to below investment grade securities, which are also known as "junk securities."

For a more complete discussion of the Trust's investment portfolio composition, see "Portfolio Composition" below.

### **Portfolio Composition**

The Trust's investment portfolio will be composed principally of the following investments. Additional information relating to the Trust's investment policies and restrictions and the Trust's portfolio investments is contained in the SAI.

*Senior Loans.* Senior loans hold the most senior position in the capital structure of a business entity, are typically secured with specific collateral and have a claim on the general assets of the borrower that is senior to that held by subordinated debtholders and stockholders of the borrower. The proceeds of senior loans primarily are used to finance leveraged buyouts, recapitalizations, mergers, acquisitions, stock repurchases, and, to a lesser extent, to finance internal growth and for other corporate purposes. Senior loans typically have rates of interest which are redetermined either daily, monthly, quarterly or semi-annually by reference to a base lending rate, plus a premium. These base lending rates generally are the London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR"), the prime rate offered by one or more major U.S. banks ("Prime Rate") or the certificate of deposit ("CD") rate or other base lending rates used by commercial lenders.

Senior loans will generally be supported by liens in the Trust's favor on all or a portion of the assets of the portfolio company or on assets of affiliates of the portfolio company. Although the Trust may seek to dispose of such collateral in the event of default, it may be delayed in exercising such rights or its rights may be contested by others. In addition, the value of the collateral may deteriorate so that the collateral is insufficient for the Trust to recover its investment in the event of default.

The Trust also may invest in unsecured loans, other floating rate debt securities such as notes, bonds and asset-backed securities (such as securities issued by special purpose funds investing in bank loans), investment grade and below-investment grade fixed income debt obligations and money market instruments, such as commercial paper. The Trust also may purchase obligations issued in connection with a restructuring pursuant to Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code.

Loans and other corporate debt obligations are subject to the risk of non-payment of scheduled interest or principal. Such non-payment would result in a reduction of income to the Trust, a reduction in the value of the investment and a potential decrease in the NAV of the Trust. Liquidation of any collateral securing a senior loan may not satisfy a borrower's obligation in the event of non-payment of scheduled interest or principal payments, or that such collateral could be readily liquidated. In the event of bankruptcy of a borrower, the Trust could experience delays or limitations with respect to its ability to realize the benefits of the collateral securing a senior loan. To the extent that a senior loan is collateralized by stock in the borrower or its subsidiaries, such stock may lose all or substantially all of its value in the event of the bankruptcy of a borrower. Some senior loans are subject to the risk that a court, pursuant to fraudulent conveyance or other similar laws, could subordinate senior loans to presently existing or future indebtedness of the borrower or take other action detrimental to the holders of senior loans including, in certain circumstances, invalidating such senior loans or causing interest previously paid to be refunded to the borrower. If interest were required to be refunded, it could negatively affect the Trust's performance. To the extent a senior loan is subordinated in the capital structure, it will have characteristics similar to other subordinated debtholders, including a greater risk of nonpayment of interest or principal.

Many loans in which the Investment Adviser anticipates the Trust will invest, and the issuers of such loans, may not be rated by a rating agency, will not be registered with the Commission or any state securities commission and will not be listed on any national securities exchange. The amount of public information available with respect to issuers of senior loans will generally be less extensive than that available for issuers of registered or exchange listed securities. In evaluating the creditworthiness of borrowers, the Investment Adviser will consider, and may rely in part, on analyses performed by others. The Investment Adviser does not view ratings as the determinative factor in its investment decisions and relies more upon its credit analysis abilities than upon ratings. Borrowers may have outstanding debt obligations that are rated below investment grade by a rating agency. A high percentage of senior loans held by the Trust may be rated, if at all, below investment grade by independent rating agencies. In the event senior loans are not rated, they are likely to be the equivalent of below investment grade quality. Debt securities which are unsecured and rated below investment grade (i.e., Ba and below by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("Moody's") or BB and below by Standard & Poor's Ratings Group, a division of

The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. (“S&P”)) and comparable unrated bonds, are viewed by the rating agencies as having speculative characteristics and are commonly known as “junk bonds.” A description of the ratings of corporate

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bonds by Moody's and S&P is included as Appendix A to the SAI. Because senior loans are senior in a borrower's capital structure and are often secured by specific collateral, the Investment Adviser believes that senior loans have more favorable loss recovery rates as compared to most other types of below investment grade debt obligations. However, the Trust's actual loss recovery experience may not be consistent with the Investment Adviser's prior experience and the Trust's senior loans may not achieve any specific loss recovery rates.

No active trading market may exist for many senior loans, and some senior loans may be subject to restrictions on resale. The Trust is not limited in the percentage of its assets that may be invested in senior loans and other securities deemed to be illiquid. A secondary market may be subject to irregular trading activity, wide bid/ask spreads and extended trade settlement periods, which may impair the ability to realize full value on the disposition of an illiquid senior loan, and cause a material decline in the Trust's NAV.

Senior loans generally are arranged through private negotiations between a borrower and a group of financial institutions initially represented by an agent who is usually one of the originating lenders. In larger transactions, it is common to have several agents. Generally, however, only one such agent has primary responsibility for ongoing administration of a senior loan. Agents are typically paid fees by the borrower for their services. The agent is primarily responsible for negotiating the credit agreement which establishes the terms and conditions of the senior loan and the rights of the borrower and the lenders. The agent is also responsible for monitoring collateral and for exercising remedies available to the lenders such as foreclosure upon collateral.

Credit agreements may provide for the termination of the agent's status in the event that it fails to act as required under the relevant credit agreement, becomes insolvent, enters Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") receivership or, if not FDIC insured, enters into bankruptcy. Should such an agent, lender or assignor with respect to an assignment interpositioned between the Trust and the borrower become insolvent or enter FDIC receivership or bankruptcy, any interest in the senior loan of such person and any loan payment held by such person for the benefit of the Trust should not be included in such person's or entity's bankruptcy estate. If, however, any such amount were included in such person's or entity's bankruptcy estate, the Trust would incur certain costs and delays in realizing payment or could suffer a loss of principal or interest. In this event, the Trust could experience a decrease in NAV.

The Trust's investments in senior loans may take one of several forms, including acting as one of the group of lenders originating a senior loan, purchasing an assignment of a portion of a senior loan from a third party or acquiring a participation in a senior loan. When the Trust is a member of the originating syndicate for a senior loan, it may share in a fee paid to the syndicate. When the Trust acquires a participation in, or an assignment of, a senior loan, it may pay a fee to, or forego a portion of interest payments from, the lender selling the participation or assignment. The Trust will act as lender, or purchase an assignment or participation, with respect to a senior loan only if the agent is determined by the Investment Adviser to be creditworthy.

When the Trust is one of the original lenders, it will have a direct contractual relationship with the borrower and can enforce compliance by the borrower with terms of the credit agreement. It also may have negotiated rights with respect to any funds acquired by other lenders through setoff. Original lenders also negotiate voting and consent rights under the credit agreement. Actions subject to lender vote or consent generally require the vote or consent of the majority of the holders of some specified percentage of the outstanding principal amount of the senior loan. Certain decisions, such as reducing the interest rate, or extending the maturity of a senior loan, or releasing collateral securing a senior loan, among others, frequently require the unanimous vote or consent of all lenders affected.

When the Trust is a purchaser of an assignment, it typically succeeds to all the rights and obligations under the credit agreement of the assigning lender and becomes a lender under the credit agreement with the same rights and obligations as the assigning lender. Assignments are, however, arranged through private negotiations between potential assignees and potential assignors, and the rights and obligations acquired by the purchaser of an assignment may be more limited than those held by the assigning lender.

The Trust may also invest in participations in senior loans. The rights of the Trust when it acquires a participation are likely to be more limited than the rights of an original lender or an investor who acquired an assignment. Participation by the Trust in a lender's portion of a senior loan typically means that the Trust has only a contractual relationship with the lender, not with the borrower. This means that the Trust has the right to receive payments of principal, interest and any fees to which it is entitled only from the lender selling the participation and only upon receipt by the lender of payments from the borrower.

With a participation, the Trust will have no rights to enforce compliance by the borrower with the terms of the credit agreement or any rights with respect to any funds acquired by other lenders through setoff against the borrower. In addition, the Trust may not directly benefit from the collateral supporting the senior loan because it may be treated as a general creditor of the lender instead of a senior secured creditor of the borrower. As a result, the Trust may be subject to delays, expenses and risks that are greater than those that exist when the Trust is the original lender or holds an assignment. This means the Trust must assume the credit risk of both the



borrower and the lender selling the participation. The Trust will consider a purchase of participations only in those situations where the Investment Adviser considers the participating lender to be creditworthy.

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In the event of a bankruptcy or insolvency of a borrower, the obligation of the borrower to repay the senior loan may be subject to certain defenses that can be asserted by such borrower against the Trust as a result of improper conduct of the lender selling the participation. A participation in a senior loan will be deemed to be a senior loan for the purposes of the Trust's investment objectives and policies.

The Trust may have difficulty disposing of assignments and participations. Because there is no liquid market for such securities, the Trust anticipates that such securities could be sold only to a limited number of institutional investors. The lack of a liquid secondary market will have an adverse impact on the value of such securities and on the Trust's ability to dispose of particular assignments or participations when necessary to meet the Trust's liquidity needs or in response to a specific economic event, such as a deterioration in the creditworthiness of the borrower. The lack of a liquid secondary market for assignments and participations also may make it more difficult for the Trust to assign a value to those securities for purposes of valuing the Trust's investment portfolio and calculating its NAV.

Investing in senior loans involves investment risk. Some borrowers default on their senior loan payments. The Trust attempts to manage this credit risk through multiple different investments within the portfolio and ongoing analysis and monitoring of borrowers. The Trust also is subject to market, liquidity, interest rate and other risks. See "Principal Risks of the Trust."

Loans other than senior loans may not be acceptable collateral under the Trust's current credit facility or under any future credit facilities, or may require a higher collateral-to-loan ratio, and therefore to the extent the Trust invests in such loans its ability to borrow may be reduced.

*Second Lien Loans.* Second lien loans are loans made by public and private corporations and other non-governmental entities and issuers for a variety of purposes. Second lien loans are second in right of payment to one or more senior loans of the related borrower. Second lien loans typically are secured by a second priority security interest or lien to or on specified collateral securing the borrower's obligation under the loan and typically have similar protections and rights as senior loans. Second lien loans are not (and by their terms cannot) become subordinate in right of payment to any obligation of the related borrower other than senior loans of such borrower. Second lien loans, like senior loans, typically have adjustable floating rate interest payments. Because second lien loans are second to senior loans, they present a greater degree of investment risk but often pay interest at higher rates reflecting this additional risk. Such investments generally are of below investment grade quality. Other than their subordinated status, second lien loans have many characteristics and risks similar to senior loans discussed above. In addition, second lien loans of below investment grade quality share many of the risk characteristics of non-investment grade securities. As in the case of senior loans, the Trust may purchase interests in second lien loans through assignments or participations.

Second lien loans are subject to the same risks associated with investment in senior loans and non-investment grade securities. Because second lien loans are second in right of payment to one or more senior loans of the related borrower, they therefore are subject to additional risk that the cash flow of the borrower and any property securing the loan may be insufficient to meet scheduled payments after giving effect to the senior secured obligations of the borrower. Second lien loans are also expected to have greater price volatility than senior loans and may be less liquid. There is also a possibility that originators will not be able to sell participations in second lien loans, which would create greater credit risk exposure.

The risks associated with second lien loans are higher than the risks of loans with first priority over the collateral. In the event of default on a second lien loan, the first priority lien holder has first claim to the underlying collateral of the loan. It is possible that no collateral value would remain for the second priority lien holder, resulting in a loss to the Trust.

*Other Secured Loans.* Secured loans other than senior loans and second lien loans are made by public and private corporations and other non-governmental entities and issuers for a variety of purposes. Such secured loans may rank lower in right of payment to one or more senior loans and second lien loans of the borrower. Such secured loans typically are secured by a lower priority security interest or lien to or on specified collateral securing the borrower's obligation under the loan, and typically have more subordinated protections and rights than senior loans and second lien loans. Secured loans may become subordinated in right of payment to more senior obligations of the borrower issued in the future. Such secured loans may have fixed or adjustable floating rate interest payments. Because such secured loans may rank lower as to right of payment than senior loans and second lien loans of the borrower, they may present a greater degree of investment risk than senior loans and second lien loans but often pay interest at higher rates reflecting this additional risk. Such investments generally are of below investment grade quality. Other than their more subordinated status, such investments have many characteristics and risks similar to senior loans and second lien loans discussed above. In addition, secured loans of below investment grade quality share many of the risk characteristics of non-investment grade securities. As in the case of senior loans and second lien loans, the Trust may purchase interests in other secured loans through assignments or participations. Other secured loans are subject to the same risks associated with investment in senior loans, second lien loans and non-investment

grade securities. Because such loans, however, may rank lower in right of payment to senior loans and second lien loans of the borrower, they may be subject to additional risk that the cash flow of the borrower and any property securing the loan may be insufficient to repay the scheduled payments after giving effect to more senior secured obligations of the borrower. Such secured loans are also expected to have greater price volatility than senior loans and second lien loans and may be less liquid. There is also a possibility that originators will not be able to sell participations in other secured loans, which would create greater credit risk exposure.

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*Unsecured Loans.* Unsecured loans are loans made by public and private corporations and other non-governmental entities and issuers for a variety of purposes. Unsecured loans generally have lower priority in right of payment compared to holders of secured debt of the borrower. Unsecured loans are not secured by a security interest or lien to or on specified collateral securing the borrower's obligation under the loan. Unsecured loans by their terms may be or may become subordinate in right of payment to other obligations of the borrower, including senior loans, second lien loans and other secured loans. Unsecured loans may have fixed or adjustable floating rate interest payments. Because unsecured loans are subordinate to the secured debt of the borrower, they present a greater degree of investment risk but often pay interest at higher rates reflecting this additional risk. Such investments generally are of non-investment grade quality. Other than their subordinated and unsecured status, such investments have many characteristics and risks similar to senior loans, second lien loans and other secured loans discussed above. In addition, unsecured loans of non-investment grade quality share many of the risk characteristics of non-investment grade securities. As in the case of secured loans, the Trust may purchase interests in unsecured loans through assignments or participations.

Unsecured loans are subject to the same risks associated with investment in senior loans, second lien loans, other secured loans and non-investment grade securities. However, because unsecured loans rank lower in right of payment to any secured obligations of the borrower, they may be subject to the additional risk that the cash flow of the borrower and available assets may be insufficient to meet scheduled payments after giving effect to the secured obligations of the borrower. Unsecured loans are also expected to have greater price volatility than secured loans and may be less liquid. There is also a possibility that loan originators will not be able to sell participations in unsecured loans, which would create greater credit risk exposure.

*Mezzanine Debt.* The Trust's assets may include mezzanine loans. Structurally, mezzanine loans usually rank subordinate in priority of payment to senior debt, such as senior bank debt, and are often unsecured. However, mezzanine loans rank senior to common and preferred equity in a borrower's capital structure. Mezzanine debt is often used in leveraged buyout and real estate finance transactions. Typically, mezzanine loans have elements of both debt and equity instruments, offering the fixed returns in the form of interest payments associated with senior debt, while providing lenders an opportunity to participate in the capital appreciation of a borrower, if any, through an equity interest. This equity interest typically takes the form of warrants. Due to their higher risk profile and often less restrictive covenants as compared to senior loans, mezzanine loans generally earn a higher return than senior secured loans. The warrants associated with mezzanine loans are typically detachable, which allows lenders to receive repayment of their principal on an agreed amortization schedule while retaining their equity interest in the borrower. Mezzanine loans also may include a "put" feature, which permits the holder to sell its equity interest back to the borrower at a price determined through an agreed-upon formula. The Trust believes that mezzanine loans offer an alternative investment opportunity based upon their historical returns and resilience during economic downturns.

*Investment Grade Securities.* The Trust may invest in a wide variety of bonds that are rated or determined by the Investment Adviser to be of investment grade quality of varying maturities issued by U.S. corporations and other business entities. Bonds are fixed or variable rate debt obligations, including bills, notes, debentures, money market instruments and similar instruments and securities. Bonds generally are used by corporations and other issuers to borrow money from investors for a variety of business purposes. The issuer pays the investor a fixed or variable rate of interest and normally must repay the amount borrowed on or before maturity. Certain bonds are "perpetual" in that they have no maturity date. Some investment grade securities, such as zero coupon bonds, do not pay current interest, but are sold at a discount from their face values. Although more creditworthy and generally less risky than non-investment grade securities, investment grade securities are still subject to market and credit risk. Market risk relates to changes in a security's value as a result of interest rate changes generally. Investment grade securities have varying levels of sensitivity to changes in interest rates and varying degrees of credit quality. In general, bond prices rise when interest rates fall, and fall when interest rates rise. Longer-term bonds and zero coupon bonds are generally more sensitive to interest rate changes. Credit risk relates to the ability of the issuer to make payments of principal and interest. The values of investment grade securities like those of other debt securities may be affected by changes in the credit rating or financial condition of an issuer. Investment grade securities are generally considered medium- and high-quality securities. Some, however, may possess speculative characteristics, and may be more sensitive to economic changes and to changes in the financial condition of issuers. The market prices of investment grade securities in the lowest investment grade categories may fluctuate more than higher-quality securities and may decline significantly in periods of general or regional economic difficulty. Like non-investment grade securities, such investment grade securities in the lowest investment grade categories may be thinly traded, making them difficult to sell promptly at an acceptable price.

*Other Fixed Income Securities.* The Trust also may purchase unsecured loans, other floating rate or fixed rate debt securities such as notes, bonds and asset-backed securities (such as securities issued by special purpose funds investing in bank loans), investment grade and below investment grade fixed income debt obligations and money market instruments, such as commercial paper. The high yield securities in which the Trust invests are rated Ba or lower by Moody's or BB or lower by S&P or are unrated but determined by the Investment Adviser to be of comparable quality. Debt securities rated below investment grade are commonly referred to as "junk securities" and are considered speculative with respect to the issuer's capacity to pay interest and repay principal.



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Below investment grade debt securities involve greater risk of loss, are subject to greater price volatility and are less liquid, especially during periods of economic uncertainty or change, than higher rated debt securities. The Trust's fixed-income securities may have fixed or variable principal payments and all types of interest rate and dividend payment and reset terms, including fixed rate, adjustable rate, zero coupon, contingent, deferred, payment in kind and auction rate features. The Trust may invest in fixed-income securities with a broad range of maturities. The Trust may invest in zero coupon bonds, deferred interest bonds and bonds or preferred stock on which the interest is payable-in-kind (PIK bonds). To the extent the Trust invests in such instruments, they will not contribute to the Trust's goal of current income. Zero coupon and deferred interest bonds are debt obligations which are issued at a significant discount from face value. While zero coupon bonds do not require the periodic payment of interest, deferred interest bonds provide for a period of delay before the regular payment of interest begins. PIK bonds are debt obligations that provide that the issuer thereof may, at its option, pay interest on such bonds in cash or in the form of additional debt obligations. Such investments may experience greater volatility in market value due to changes in interest rates. The Trust may be required to recognize income on these investments for U.S. federal income tax purposes even though the Trust receives no corresponding interest payment in cash on the investments. As a result, in order to receive the special treatment accorded to regulated investment companies ("RICs") and their shareholders under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") and to avoid any U.S. federal income or excise taxes at the Trust level, the Trust may be required to pay out as an income distribution each year an amount greater than the total amount of interest and other income the Trust actually received. The Trust may be required to, among other things, sell securities, including at potentially disadvantageous times or prices, to obtain cash needed for income distributions, and may realize gain or loss from such liquidations. In the event the Trust realizes net long-term or short-term capital gains from such liquidation transactions, its shareholders may receive larger capital gain or ordinary dividends, respectively, than they would in the absence of such transactions.

*Non-Investment Grade Securities.* The Trust may invest a significant portion of its assets in securities rated below investment grade, such as those rated Ba or lower by Moody's and BB or lower by S&P or securities comparably rated by other rating agencies or in unrated securities determined by the Investment Adviser to be of comparable quality. Securities rated Ba by Moody's are judged to have speculative elements, their future cannot be considered as well assured and often the protection of interest and principal payments may be very moderate. Securities rated BB by S&P are regarded as having predominantly speculative characteristics and, while such obligations have less near-term vulnerability to default than other speculative grade debt, they face major ongoing uncertainties or exposure to adverse business, financial or economic conditions which could lead to inadequate capacity to meet timely interest and principal payments. Securities rated C are regarded as having extremely poor prospects of ever attaining any real investment standing. Securities rated D are in default and the payment of interest and/or repayment of principal is in arrears. The Trust may purchase securities rated as low as D. When the Investment Adviser believes it to be in the best interests of the Trust's shareholders, the Trust will reduce its investment in lower grade securities.

Lower grade securities, though generally high-yielding, are characterized by high risk. They may be subject to certain risks with respect to the issuing entity and to greater market fluctuations than certain lower yielding, higher rated securities. The secondary market for lower grade securities may be less liquid than that of higher rated securities. Adverse conditions could make it difficult at times for the Trust to sell certain securities or could result in lower prices than those used in calculating the Trust's NAV.

The prices of debt securities generally are inversely related to interest rate changes; however, the price volatility caused by fluctuating interest rates of securities also is inversely related to the coupon of such securities. Accordingly, below investment grade securities may be relatively less sensitive to interest rate changes than higher quality securities of comparable maturity, because of their higher coupon. This higher coupon is what the investor receives in return for bearing greater credit risk. The higher credit risk associated with below investment grade securities potentially can have a greater effect on the value of such securities than may be the case with higher quality issues of comparable maturity, and may cause the value of the Trust's securities to fluctuate. Distressed debt securities often are priced based on estimated recovery value and are less sensitive to interest rate movement.

Lower grade securities may be particularly susceptible to economic downturns. It is likely that an economic recession could severely disrupt the market for such securities and may have an adverse impact on the value of such securities. In addition, it is likely that any such economic downturn could adversely affect the ability of the issuers of such securities to repay principal and pay interest thereon and increase the incidence of default for such securities.

The ratings of Moody's, S&P and any other rating agencies represent their opinions as to the quality of the obligations which they undertake to rate. Ratings are relative and subjective and, although ratings may be useful in evaluating the safety of interest and principal payments, they do not evaluate the market value risk of such obligations. Although these ratings may be an initial criterion for selection of portfolio investments, the Investment Adviser also will independently evaluate these securities and the ability of the issuers of such securities to pay interest and principal. To the extent that the Trust invests in lower grade securities that have not been rated by a rating agency, the Trust's ability to achieve its investment objectives will be more dependent on the Investment Adviser's credit analysis than would be the case when the Trust invests in rated securities.

*Asset-Backed Securities.* The Trust may invest a portion of its assets in asset-backed securities. Asset-backed securities are generally issued as pass-through certificates, which represent undivided fractional ownership interests in an underlying pool of assets,

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or as debt instruments, which are also known as collateralized obligations, and are generally issued as the debt of a special purpose entity organized solely for the purpose of owning such assets and issuing such debt. Asset-backed securities are often backed by a pool of assets representing the obligations of a number of different parties. Credit card receivables are generally unsecured, and the debtors are entitled to the protection of a number of state and federal consumer credit laws which give debtors the right to setoff certain amounts owed on the credit cards, thereby reducing the balance due. Most issuers of automobile receivables permit the servicers to retain possession of the underlying obligations. If the servicer were to sell these obligations to another party, there is a risk that the purchaser would acquire an interest superior to that of the holders of the related automobile receivables. In addition, because of the large number of vehicles involved in a typical issuance and technical requirements under state laws, the trustee for the holders of the automobile receivables may not have an effective security interest in all of the obligations backing such receivables. Therefore, there is a possibility that recoveries on repossessed collateral may not, in some cases, be able to support payments on these securities.

*Royalty Securitizations.* Companies holding rights to intellectual property may create bankruptcy remote special purpose entities whose underlying assets are royalty license agreements and intellectual property rights related to a product. A significant portion of the Trust's investments will be related to pharmaceutical royalties that are secured by rights related to one or more drugs. The Trust may, however, invest in royalty streams related to other industries.

Royalty securities may include bonds, loans and equity issued by the special purpose entity. The Investment Adviser believes that the terms of royalty securities that are bonds may be favorable as compared to the broader debt universe, and that the returns are not highly correlated with general credit market events.

In a typical structure in the pharmaceutical industry, a small pharmaceutical company that develops a compound may license the commercial opportunity to a large-cap pharmaceutical company in exchange for payments upon completion of certain milestones (for example, Food and Drug Administration ("FDA") approval) and a percentage of future product sales. Upon securing the right to receive royalties on product sales, the small pharmaceutical company finances a loan or bond secured by the royalty stream, which is typically non-recourse to either of the pharmaceutical companies.

In addition, a company, the sponsor, may create a wholly owned subsidiary, the issuer, that issues the royalty securities. The sponsor sells, assigns and contributes to the issuer rights under one or more license agreements, including the right to receive royalties and certain other payments from sales of the pharmaceutical or other products. The sponsor also pledges the equity ownership interests in the issuer to the trustee under the indenture related to the notes. In return, the sponsor receives the proceeds of the securities from the issuer. The issuer of the securities grants a security interest in its assets to the trustee and is responsible for the debt service on the notes. An interest reserve account may be established to provide a source for payments should there be a cash flow shortfall for one or more periods. Many structures include a 100% cash flow sweep, which means that the principal is paid down by all cash flows received. Although the notes may have a legal maturity date of up to five to sixteen years from issuance, the expected weighted average maturity of the notes may be significantly shorter because of expected required principal repayments if funds are available.

If the issuer of the loan or bond defaults, any recourse will be limited to the issuer (which is formed for the limited purpose of purchasing and holding the license agreement or related intellectual property) and the collateral. The pharmaceutical or other company sponsoring the special purpose entity will generally not have the obligation to contribute additional equity to the issuer. If the sponsor of the issuer were to become a debtor in a bankruptcy case, a creditor, debtor in possession or trustee could request that the bankruptcy court substantively consolidate the issuer of the royalty security with the sponsor and/or recharacterize the transaction pursuant to which the royalty stream was transferred to the issuer and/or take other actions challenging the transaction. To the extent that these efforts are successful, these actions may adversely impact the securities and the Trust.

*Collateralized Loan Obligations and Bond Obligations.* The Trust may invest in certain asset-backed securities that are securitizing certain financial assets by issuing securities in the form of negotiable paper that are issued by a financing company (generally called a Special Purpose Vehicle or "SPV"). These securitized assets are, as a rule, corporate financial assets brought into a pool according to specific diversification rules. The SPV is a company founded solely for the purpose of securitizing these claims and its only asset is the diversified asset pool. On this basis, marketable securities are issued which, due to the diversification of the underlying risk, are generally considered to represent a lower level of risk than the original assets taken separately. The redemption of the securities issued by the SPV takes place at maturity out of the cash flow generated by the collected claims.

A CLO is a structured security issued by an SPV that was created to reapportion the risk and return characteristics of a pool of assets. The assets, typically senior loans, are used as collateral supporting the various debt and equity tranches issued by the SPV. The key feature of the CLO structure is the prioritization of the cash flows from a pool of debt (and, to a lesser degree, equity) securities among the several classes of securities issued by a CLO. The Trust may invest in both equity and debt tranches issued by the SPV.



The Trust may also invest in CBOs, which are structured securities backed by a diversified pool of high-yield, public or private fixed income securities. These may be fixed pools or may be “market value” (or managed) pools

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of collateral. The CBO issues debt securities that are typically separated into tranches representing different degrees of credit quality. The top tranche of securities has the greatest collateralization and pays the lowest interest rate. Lower CBO tranches have a lesser degree of collateralization quality and pay higher interest rates intended to compensate for the attendant risks. The bottom tranche specifically receives the residual interest payments (*i.e.*, money that is left over after the higher tranches have been paid) rather than a fixed interest rate. The return on the lower tranches of CBOs/CLOs is especially sensitive to the rate of defaults in the collateral pool and lower tranches of CBOs/CLOs typically present the highest risk of loss of entire investment and are required to bear losses before the higher tranches. Under normal market conditions, the Trust expects to invest in the lower tranches of CBOs/CLOs, including equity tranches.

*Distressed Debt.* The Trust is authorized to invest in the securities and other obligations of distressed and bankrupt issuers, including debt obligations that are in covenant or payment default. Such investments generally trade significantly below par and are considered speculative. The repayment of defaulted obligations is subject to significant uncertainties. Defaulted obligations might be repaid only after lengthy workout or bankruptcy proceedings, during which the issuer might not make any interest or other payments. Typically such workout or bankruptcy proceedings result in only partial recovery of cash payments or an exchange of the defaulted obligation for other debt or equity securities of the issuer or its affiliates, which may in turn be illiquid or speculative. The Trust may invest in securities of a company for purposes of gaining control.

*Stressed Debt.* The Trust is authorized to invest in securities and other obligations of stressed issuers. Stressed issuers are issuers that are not yet deemed distressed or bankrupt and whose debt securities are trading at a discount to par, but not yet at distressed levels. An example would be an issuer that is in technical default of its credit agreement, or undergoing strategic or operational changes, which results in market pricing uncertainty.

*Credit Derivatives.* The Trust may engage in credit derivative transactions for hedging or capital appreciation purposes. There are two broad categories of credit derivatives: default price risk derivatives and market spread derivatives. Default price risk derivatives are linked to the price of reference securities or loans after a default by the issuer or borrower, respectively. Market spread derivatives are based on the risk that changes in market factors, such as credit spreads, can cause a decline in the value of a security, loan or index.

There are currently three basic transactional forms for credit derivatives: swaps, options and structured instruments. The use of credit derivatives is a highly specialized activity which involves strategies and risks different from those associated with ordinary portfolio security transactions. If the Investment Adviser is incorrect in its forecasts of default risks, market spreads or other applicable factors, the investment performance of the Trust would diminish compared with what it would have been if these techniques were not used. Moreover, even if the Investment Adviser is correct in its forecasts, there is a risk that a credit derivative position may correlate imperfectly with the price of the asset or liability being purchased. There is no limit on the amount of credit derivative transactions that may be entered into by the Trust. The Trust's risk of loss in a credit derivative transaction varies with the form of the transaction. For example, if the Trust purchases a default option on a security, and if no default occurs with respect to the security, the Trust's loss is limited to the premium it paid for the default option. In contrast, if there is a default by the grantor of a default option, the Trust's loss will include both the premium that it paid for the option and the decline in value of the underlying security that the default option protects.

The sections entitled "Derivative Transactions and Risk Management" and "Additional Characteristics and Risks of Derivative Transactions" in the Trust's SAI contain further information about the characteristics, risks and possible benefits of Derivative Transactions and the Trust's other policies and limitations (which are not fundamental policies) relating to investment in futures contracts and options. The principal risks relating to the use of futures contracts and other Derivative Transactions are: (i) less than perfect correlation between the prices of the instrument and the market value of the securities in the Trust's investment portfolio; (ii) possible lack of a liquid secondary market for closing out a position in such instruments; (iii) losses resulting from interest rate or other market movements not anticipated by the Investment Adviser; and (iv) the obligation to meet additional variation margin or other payment requirements, all of which could result in the Trust being in a worse position than if such techniques had not been used.

*Credit Default Swaps.* The Trust may enter into credit default swap agreements for hedging or capital appreciation purposes. The "buyer" in a credit default contract is obligated to pay the "seller" a periodic stream of payments over the term of the contract provided that no event of default on an underlying reference obligation has occurred. If an event of default occurs, the seller must pay the buyer the "par value" (full notional value) of the reference obligation in exchange for the reference obligation. The Trust may be either the buyer or seller in the transaction. If the Trust is a buyer and no event of default occurs, the Trust loses its investment and recovers nothing. However, if an event of default occurs, the buyer receives full notional value for a reference obligation that may have little or no value. As a seller, the Trust receives income throughout the term of the contract, which typically is between six months and three years, provided that there is no default event.



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Credit default swaps involve greater risks than if the Trust had invested in the reference obligation directly. In addition to general market risks, credit default swaps are subject to illiquidity risk, counterparty risk and credit risks. The Trust will enter into swap agreements only with counterparties that are judged by the Investment Adviser to present acceptable credit risk to the Trust. A buyer also will lose its investment and recover nothing should no event of default occur. If an event of default were to occur, the value of the reference obligation received by the seller, coupled with the periodic payments previously received, may be less than the full notional value it pays to the buyer, resulting in a loss of value to the seller. Credit default swaps also involve the risk of imperfect correlation between the value of such instruments and the underlying assets and may involve commissions or other costs. When buying protection under a swap, the risk of loss with respect to swaps generally is limited to the net amount of payments that the Trust is contractually obligated to make. When selling protection under a swap, however, the risk of loss is often the notional value of the underlying asset, which can result in a loss substantially greater than the amount invested in the swap itself. In addition, collateral posting requirements are individually negotiated and there is no regulatory requirement that a counterparty post collateral to secure its obligations or a specified amount of cash, depending upon the terms of the swap, under a credit default swap. Furthermore, there is no requirement that a party be informed in advance when a credit default swap agreement is transferred. Accordingly, the Trust may have difficulty identifying the party responsible for payment of its claims. The notional value of credit default swaps with respect to a particular investment is often larger than the total par value of such investment outstanding and, in event of a default, there may be difficulties in making the required deliveries of the reference investments, possibly delaying payments. The market for credit default swaps has become more volatile recently as the creditworthiness of certain counterparties has been questioned and/or downgraded. If a counterparty's credit becomes significantly impaired, multiple requests for collateral posting in a short period of time could increase the risk that the Trust may not receive adequate collateral. There is no readily available market for trading credit default swaps. The Trust generally may exit its obligations under a credit default swap only by terminating the contract and paying applicable breakage fees, or by entering into an offsetting credit default swap position, which may cause the Trust to incur more losses. When the Trust acts as a seller of a credit default swap agreement it is exposed to many of the same risks of leverage described under "Principal Risks of the Trust — Leverage Risk" in this Prospectus. If the Trust uses credit default swaps to leverage its portfolio, the Trust will be exposed to additional risks, including the risk that the Trust's use of leverage will magnify the effect of any losses the Trust incurs since if an event of default occurs the seller must pay the buyer the full notional value of the reference obligation. The Trust will at all times segregate liquid securities or cash in an amount at least equal to the notional amount of the credit default swap due to the buyer if the credit event occurs. Such segregation will ensure that the Trust has assets available to satisfy its obligations and will limit any potential leveraging of the Trust's portfolio with respect to the transaction. Such segregation will not limit the Trust's exposure to loss.

The Trust is generally not limited in the amount it may invest in credit default swaps and all other derivatives. The Trust may use derivatives for speculative purposes.

*Senior Loan Based Derivatives.* The Trust may obtain exposure to senior loans and baskets of senior loans through the use of derivative instruments. The Investment Adviser reserves the right to utilize these instruments and similar instruments that may be available in the future. For example, the Trust may invest in a derivative instrument known as the Loan-Only Credit Default Swap Index ("LCDX"), a tradeable index with 100 equally-weighted underlying single-name long-only credit default swaps ("LCDS"). Each underlying LCDS references an issuer whose loans trade in the secondary leveraged loan market. The Trust can either buy the Index (take on credit exposure) or sell the Index (pass credit exposure to a counterparty). In either case, the Trust is in essence taking a macro view of the market as a whole rather than on a particular issuer. To compensate investors for the change in the value of the Index over time, an upfront payment is made at the time of a trade to account for the change in the present value of the Index since inception. The payment is the difference between par (or 100) and the amount of the purchase price, plus or minus (depending on whether the Trust is a buyer or seller of the Index) accrued interest. Each version of the Index launches with a fixed coupon which the seller of the Index pays quarterly (and the buyer of the Index receives quarterly). The amount of payments received or paid is the coupon times the notional amount. While investing in these types of derivatives will increase the universe of debt securities to which the Trust is exposed, such investments entail risks that are not typically associated with investments in other debt securities. The liquidity of the market for these types of instruments will be subject to liquidity in the secured loan and derivatives markets. The Trust may also be subject to the risk that the counterparty in a derivative transaction will default on its obligations. These transactions generally involve the risk of loss due to unanticipated adverse changes in securities prices, interest rates, the inability to close out a position, imperfect correlation between a position and the desired hedge, uncertainty regarding the tax rules applicable to these transactions and portfolio management constraints on securities subject to such transactions. The potential loss on derivative instruments may be substantially greater than the initial investment therein.

Investments in the Index may involve greater risks than if the Trust had invested in the reference obligation directly. The Trust will not engage in these transactions for speculative purposes and will use them only as a means to hedge or manage the risks associated with assets held in, or anticipated to be purchased for, the investment portfolio or obligations incurred by the Trust.

*Credit-Linked Notes.* The Trust may invest in credit-linked notes (“CLNs”) for risk management purposes and to vary its portfolio. A CLN is a derivative instrument. It is a synthetic obligation between two or more parties where the payment of principal and/or interest is based on the performance of some obligation (a reference obligation). In addition to credit risk of the reference obligations and interest rate risk, the buyer/seller of the CLN is subject to counterparty risk.

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*Common Stocks.* The Trust may acquire an interest in common stocks in various ways, including upon the default of a senior loan secured by such common stock, in a workout or restructuring or by acquiring common stock for investment. The Trust may also acquire warrants or other rights to purchase a borrower's common stock in connection with the making of a senior loan. Common stocks of a corporation or other entity entitle the holder to a pro rata share of the profits, if any, of the corporation without preference over any other shareholder or class of shareholders, including holders of such entity's preferred stocks and other senior equity securities. Common stock usually carries with it the right to vote and frequently an exclusive right to do so.

*Preferred Stocks.* The Trust may invest in preferred stocks. Preferred stocks are equity securities, but they have many characteristics of fixed income securities, such as a fixed dividend payment rate and/or a liquidity preference over the issuer's common shares. However, because preferred stocks are equity securities, they may be more susceptible to risks traditionally associated with equity investments than the Trust's fixed income securities.

The market value of preferred stocks may be affected by favorable and unfavorable changes impacting companies in the utilities and financial services sectors, which are prominent issuers of preferred stocks, and by actual and anticipated changes in tax laws, such as changes in U.S. federal corporate income tax rates or the dividends-received deduction. Because the claim on an issuer's earnings represented by traditional preferred stocks may become onerous when interest rates fall below the rate payable on such stocks, the issuer may redeem the stocks. Thus, in declining interest rate environments in particular, the Trust's holdings of higher rate-paying fixed rate preferred stocks may be reduced and the Trust would be unable to acquire securities of comparable credit quality paying comparable rates with the redemption proceeds.

Fixed rate preferred stocks have fixed dividend rates. They can be perpetual, with no mandatory redemption date, or issued with a fixed mandatory redemption date. Certain issues of preferred stock are convertible into other equity securities. Perpetual preferred stocks provide a fixed dividend throughout the life of the issue, with no mandatory retirement provisions, but may be callable. Sinking fund preferred stocks provide for the redemption of a portion of the issue on a regularly scheduled basis with, in most cases, the entire issue being retired at a future date. The value of fixed rate preferred stocks can be expected to vary inversely with interest rates.

Adjustable rate preferred stocks have a variable dividend rate which is determined periodically, typically quarterly, according to a formula based on a specified premium or discount to the yield on particular U.S. Treasury securities, typically the highest base-rate yield of one of three U.S. Treasury securities: the 90-day Treasury bill; the 10-year Treasury note; and either the 20-year or 30-year Treasury bond or other index. The premium or discount to be added to or subtracted from this base-rate yield is fixed at the time of issuance and cannot be changed without the approval of the holders of the adjustable rate preferred stock. Some adjustable rate preferred stocks have a maximum and a minimum rate and in some cases are convertible into common stocks.

Auction rate preferred stocks pay dividends that adjust based on periodic auctions. Such preferred stocks are similar to short-term corporate money market instruments in that an auction rate preferred stockholder has the opportunity to sell the preferred stock at par in an auction, normally conducted at least every 49 days, through which buyers set the dividend rate in a bidding process for the next period. The dividend rate set in the auction depends on market conditions and the credit quality of the particular issuer. Typically, the auction rate preferred stock's dividend rate is limited to a specified maximum percentage of an external commercial paper index as of the auction date. Further, the terms of the auction rate preferred stocks generally provide that they are redeemable by the issuer at certain times or under certain conditions. In early 2008, auction rate preferred stocks became subject to numerous "failed" auctions, causing securities previously thought to be liquid to become illiquid. It is not known when, if ever, these auction markets will begin to function again. Special tax considerations may apply to the Trust's investments in preferred stock. See "Tax Matters" below.

*Convertible Securities.* The Trust's investment in fixed income securities may include convertible securities. A convertible security is a bond, debenture, note, preferred stock or other security that may be converted into or exchanged for a prescribed amount of common stock or other equity security of the same or a different issuer within a particular period of time at a specified price or formula. A convertible security entitles the holder to receive interest paid or accrued on debt or the dividend paid on preferred stock until the convertible security matures or is redeemed, converted or exchanged. Before conversion, convertible securities have characteristics similar to nonconvertible income securities in that they ordinarily provide a stable stream of income with generally higher yields than those of common stocks of the same or similar issuers, but lower yields than comparable nonconvertible securities.

The value of a convertible security is influenced by changes in interest rates, with investment value declining as interest rates increase and increasing as interest rates decline. The credit standing of the issuer and other factors also may have an effect on the convertible security's investment value. Convertible securities rank senior to common stock in a corporation's capital structure but are usually subordinated to comparable nonconvertible securities. Convertible securities may be subject to redemption at the option of the issuer at a price established in the convertible security's governing instrument.

Depending on the relationship of the conversion price to the market value of the underlying securities, convertible securities may trade more like equity securities than debt instruments.

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*Money Market Instruments.* The Trust may invest in money market instruments, which include short-term U.S. government securities, U.S. dollar-denominated, high quality commercial paper (unsecured promissory notes issued by corporations to finance their short-term credit needs), certificates of deposit, bankers' acceptances and repurchase agreements relating to any of the foregoing, and pooled investment vehicles (for example, money market funds) that invest in these obligations. U.S. government securities include Treasury notes, bonds and bills, which are direct obligations of the U.S. government backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. and securities issued by agencies and instrumentalities of the U.S. government, which may be guaranteed by the U.S. Treasury, may be supported by the issuer's right to borrow from the U.S. Treasury or may be backed only by the credit of the federal agency or instrumentality itself.

*U.S. Government Securities.* U.S. government securities in which the Trust invests include debt obligations of varying maturities issued by the U.S. Treasury or issued or guaranteed by an agency or instrumentality of the U.S. government, including the Federal Housing Administration, Federal Financing Bank, Farmers Home Administration, Export-Import Bank of the United States, Small Business Administration, Government National Mortgage Association (GNMA), General Services Administration, Central Bank for Cooperatives, Federal Farm Credit Banks, Federal Home Loan Banks, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (FHLMC), Federal National Mortgage Association (FNMA), Maritime Administration, Tennessee Valley Authority, District of Columbia Armory Board and various institutions that previously were or currently are part of the Farm Credit System (which has been undergoing reorganization since 1987). Some U.S. government securities, such as U.S. Treasury bills, Treasury notes and Treasury bonds, which differ only in their interest rates, maturities and times of issuance, are supported by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government. Others are supported by (i) the right of the issuer to borrow from the U.S. Treasury, such as securities of the Federal Home Loan Banks; (ii) the discretionary authority of the U.S. government to purchase the agency's obligations; or (iii) only the credit of the issuer. The U.S. government may not in the future continue to provide financial support to U.S. government agencies, authorities or instrumentalities that are not supported by the full faith and credit of the United States. To the extent the Trust invests in U.S. Government securities that are not backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Treasury, such investments may involve a greater risk of loss of principal and interest since the Trust must look principally or solely to the issuing or guaranteeing agency or instrumentality for repayment.

Securities guaranteed as to principal and interest by the U.S. government, its agencies, authorities or instrumentalities include (i) securities for which the payment of principal and interest is backed by an irrevocable letter of credit issued by the U.S. government or any of its agencies, authorities or instrumentalities; and (ii) participations in loans made to non-U.S. governments or other entities that are so guaranteed. The secondary market for certain of these participations is limited and therefore may be regarded as illiquid.

In September 2008, the U.S. Treasury Department placed FNMA and FHLMC into conservatorship. The companies remain in conservatorship, and the effect that this conservatorship will have on the companies' debt and equity securities is unclear. Although the U.S. government has recently provided financial support to FNMA and FHLMC, there can be no assurance that it will support these or other government-sponsored enterprises in the future. In addition, any such government support may benefit the holders of only certain classes of an issuer's securities.

*Other Investment Companies.* The Trust may invest in the securities of other investment companies, which can include open-end funds, closed-end funds, unit investment trusts and BDCs. Investment companies combine shareholders' funds for investment in a variety of instruments, including equity securities, debt securities, and money market instruments and may invest primarily in a particular type of security, a particular industry or a mix of securities and industries. An investment company is not taxed on income distributed to shareholders if, among other things, it distributes to its shareholders substantially all of its taxable income for each taxable year. As a shareholder of another investment company, the Trust, and therefore its shareholders, will bear a proportionate share of the expenses of such other investment companies, including management fees, administration fees and custodial fees, in addition to the expenses of the Trust. Under one provision of the Investment Company Act, the Trust may not acquire the securities of other investment companies if, as a result, (i) more than 10% of the Trust's total assets would be invested in securities of other investment companies, (ii) such purchase would result in more than 3% of the total outstanding voting securities of any one investment company being held by the Trust or (iii) more than 5% of the Trust's total assets would be invested in any one investment company. Other provisions of the Investment Company Act are less restrictive, provided that the Trust is able to meet certain conditions. These limitations do not apply to the acquisition of shares of any investment company in connection with a merger, consolidation, reorganization or acquisition of substantially all of the assets of another investment company.

The Trust, as a holder of the securities of other investment companies, will bear its pro rata portion of the other investment companies' expenses, including advisory fees. These expenses will be in addition to the direct expenses incurred by the Trust.

*Exchange Traded Funds.* Although not a principal investment strategy of the Trust, subject to the limitations on investment in other investment companies, the Trust may invest in exchange traded funds ("ETFs"). ETFs, such as SPDRs, NASDAQ 100 Index Trading Stock (QQQs), iShares and various country index funds, are funds whose shares are traded on a national securities exchange or



the National Association of Securities Dealers' Automatic Quotation System (NASDAQ). ETFs may be based on underlying equity or fixed income securities. SPDRs, for example, seek to provide investment results that generally correspond to the performance of the

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component common stocks of the S&P 500. ETFs do not sell individual shares directly to investors and only issue their shares in large blocks known as “creation units.” The investor purchasing a creation unit may sell the individual shares on a secondary market. Therefore, the liquidity of ETFs depends on the adequacy of the secondary market. An ETF’s investment objective may not be achieved. ETFs based on an index may not replicate and maintain exactly the composition and relative weightings of securities in the index and for these and other reasons the returns of an ETF may diverge significantly from the index which it is designated to track. ETFs are subject to the risks of investing in the underlying securities. The Trust, as a holder of the securities of the ETF, will bear its pro rata portion of the ETF’s expenses, including advisory fees. These expenses are in addition to the direct expenses of the Trust’s own operations.

*Master Limited Partnerships.* The Trust may invest in MLPs. MLPs typically are characterized as “publicly traded partnerships” that qualify to be treated as partnerships for U.S. federal income tax purposes and are principally engaged in one or more aspects of the exploration, production, processing, transmission, marketing, storage or delivery of energy-related commodities, such as natural gas, natural gas liquids, coal, crude oil or refined petroleum products. The Trust’s MLP investments include investments that offer economic exposure to public MLPs in the form of common or subordinated units issued by MLPs, securities of entities holding primarily general partner or managing member interests in MLPs, debt securities of MLPs, and securities that are derivatives of interests in MLPs, including I-Shares, and derivative instruments in which the Trust may invest that have economic characteristics of MLP securities. The Trust intends to limit its investments in MLPs and related entities to the extent necessary to qualify as a RIC for tax purposes. In general, a RIC is not permitted to invest, including through corporations in which the RIC owns a 20% or more voting stock interest, more than 25% of its total assets in qualified publicly-traded partnerships.

*Real Estate Investment Trusts.* The Trust may invest in REITs. REITs are pooled investment vehicles that invest primarily in income-producing real estate or real estate-related loans or interests. REITs are generally classified as equity REITs, mortgage REITs or a combination of equity and mortgage REITs. Equity REITs invest the majority of their assets directly in real property and derive income primarily from the collection of rents. Equity REITs can also realize capital gains by selling properties that have appreciated in value. Mortgage REITs invest the majority of their assets in real estate mortgages and derive income from the collection of interest payments. REITs are not taxed on income distributed to shareholders provided they comply with the applicable requirements of the Code. The Trust will indirectly bear its proportionate share of any management and other expenses paid by REITs in which it invests in addition to the expenses paid by the Trust. Debt securities issued by REITs are, for the most part, general and unsecured obligations and are subject to risks associated with REITs.

The Trust seeks to gain exposure to the real estate markets, in whole or in part, through investment in each Subsidiary. Each Subsidiary has elected to be taxed as a REIT. Each Subsidiary is generally subject to the same investment policies and restrictions of the Trust. As of June 30, 2019, NREO and NREC accounted for approximately 2.9% and 22.0% respectively, of the Trust’s Managed Assets. The Investment Adviser does not charge an additional fee on assets held in each Subsidiary. The Trust intends to limit its investments in each Subsidiary and related entities to the extent necessary to qualify as a RIC for tax purposes. In general, and subject to certain exceptions not applicable here, a RIC is not permitted to invest, including through corporations in which the RIC owns a 20% or more voting stock interest, more than 25% of its total assets in any one issuer, or in any two or more issuers which the RIC controls and which are determined to be engaged in the same or similar trades or businesses or related trades or businesses.

*Structured Investments.* The Trust may invest a portion of its assets in interests in entities organized and operated solely for the purpose of restructuring the investment characteristics of securities. This type of restructuring involves the deposit with or purchase by an entity, such as a corporation or a trust, of specified instruments and the issuance by that entity of one or more classes of securities (“Structured Investments”) backed by, or representing interests in the underlying instruments. The cash flow on the underlying instruments may be apportioned among the newly issued Structured Investments to create securities with different investment characteristics such as varying maturities, payment priorities and interest rate provisions, and the extent of the payments made with respect to Structured Investments is dependent on the extent of the cash flow on the underlying instruments. Because Structured Investments of the type in which the Trust anticipates it will invest typically involve no credit enhancement, their credit risk generally will be equivalent to that of the underlying instruments.

The Trust is permitted to invest in a class of Structured Investments that is either subordinated or not subordinated to the right of payment of another class. Subordinated Structured Investments typically have higher yields and present greater risks than unsubordinated Structured Investments.

Certain issuers of Structured Investments may be deemed to be “investment companies” as defined in the Investment Company Act. As a result, the Trust’s investment in these Structured Investments may be limited by the restrictions contained in the Investment Company Act. Structured Investments are typically sold in private placement transaction, and there currently is no active trading market for Structured Investments.

*Zero Coupon Securities.* The securities in which the Trust invests may include zero coupon securities, which are debt obligations that are issued or purchased at a significant discount from face value. The discount approximates the total amount of

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interest the security will accrue and compound over the period until maturity or the particular interest payment date at a rate of interest reflecting the market rate of the security at the time of issuance. Zero coupon securities do not require the periodic payment of interest. These investments benefit the issuer by mitigating its need for cash to meet debt service, but generally require a higher rate of return to attract investors who are willing to defer receipt of cash. These investments may experience greater volatility in market value than securities that make regular payments of interest. The Trust is generally required to recognize income on these investments for U.S. federal income tax purposes even though the Trust receives no corresponding interest payment in cash on the investments. As a result, in order to receive the special treatment accorded to RICs and their shareholders under the Code and to avoid any U.S. federal income or excise taxes at the Trust level, the Trust may be required to pay out as an income distribution each year an amount greater than the total amount of interest or other income the Trust actually received. The Trust may be required to, among other things, sell portfolio securities, including at potentially disadvantageous times or prices, to obtain cash needed for these income distributions, and may realize gain or loss from such liquidations. In the event the Trust realizes net long-term or short-term capital gains from such liquidation transactions, its shareholders may receive larger capital gain or ordinary dividends, respectively, than they would in the absence of such transactions.

*Deferred Payment Obligations.* Deferred payment securities are securities that remain zero coupon securities until a predetermined date, at which time the stated coupon rate becomes effective and interest becomes payable at regular intervals. Deferred payment securities are subject to greater fluctuations in value and may have lesser liquidity in the event of adverse market conditions than comparably rated securities paying cash interest at regular interest payment periods. Because, during the period before interest payments begin on deferred payment securities, the Trust will not receive cash payments on a current basis in respect of income it is required to recognize on these securities for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the Trust may be required to pay out as an income distribution each year an amount greater than the total amount of interest and other income the Trust actually received, in order to receive the special treatment accorded to RICs and their shareholders under the Code and to avoid any U.S. federal income or excise taxes at the Trust level. The Trust may be required to, among other things, sell portfolio securities, including at potentially disadvantageous times or prices, to obtain cash needed for these income distributions, and may realize gain or loss from such liquidations. In the event the Trust realizes net long-term or short-term capital gains from such liquidation transactions, its shareholders may receive larger capital gain or ordinary dividends, respectively, than they would in the absence of such transactions.

*Derivative Transactions.* In addition to the credit and senior loan based derivatives discussed above the Trust may, but is not required to, use various Derivative Transactions described below to earn income, facilitate portfolio management and mitigate risks. Such Derivative Transactions are generally accepted under modern portfolio management theory and are regularly used by many mutual funds and other institutional investors. Although the Investment Adviser seeks to use the practices to further the Trust's investment objectives, no assurance can be given that these practices will achieve this result. With changes in the market or the Investment Adviser's strategy, it is possible that these instruments may be a more significant part of the Trust's investment approach in the future.

The Trust may purchase and sell derivative instruments such as exchange-listed and over-the-counter put and call options on securities, financial futures, equity, fixed-income and interest rate indices, and other financial instruments, purchase and sell financial futures contracts and options thereon, enter into various interest rate transactions such as swaps, caps, floors or collars and enter into various currency transactions such as currency forward contracts, currency futures contracts, currency swaps or options on currency or currency futures or credit transactions and credit default swaps. The Trust also may purchase derivative instruments that combine features of these instruments. The Trust generally seeks to use Derivative Transactions as a portfolio management or hedging technique to seek to protect against possible adverse changes in the market value of senior loans or other securities held in or to be purchased for the Trust's investment portfolio, protect the value of the Trust's investment portfolio, facilitate the sale of certain securities for investment purposes, manage the effective interest rate exposure of the Trust, protect against changes in currency exchange rates, manage the effective maturity or duration of the Trust's investment portfolio, or establish positions in the derivatives markets as a temporary substitute for purchasing or selling particular securities.

Derivative Transactions have risks, including the imperfect correlation between the value of such instruments and the underlying assets, the possible default of the other party to the transaction or illiquidity of the derivative instruments. Furthermore, the ability to use Derivative Transactions successfully depends on the Investment Adviser's ability to predict pertinent market movements, which cannot be assured. Thus, the use of Derivative Transactions may result in losses greater than if they had not been used, may require the Trust to sell or purchase portfolio securities at inopportune times or for prices other than current market values, may limit the amount of appreciation the Trust can realize on an investment, or may cause the Trust to hold a security that it might otherwise sell. The use of currency transactions can result in the Trust incurring losses as a result of the imposition of exchange controls, suspension of settlements or the inability of the Trust to deliver or receive a specified currency. Additionally, amounts paid by the Trust as premiums and cash or other assets held in margin accounts with respect to Derivative Transactions are not otherwise available to the Trust for investment purposes. In addition, the Trust's Derivative Transactions are generally subject to numerous special and complex tax rules. Because the tax rules applicable to such transactions may be uncertain under current law, an adverse determination or future Internal

Revenue Service (“IRS”) guidance with respect to these rules (which determination or guidance could be retroactive) may affect whether the Trust has made sufficient distributions, and otherwise satisfied the relevant requirements, to maintain its qualification as a

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RIC and avoid Trust-level U.S. federal income or excise taxes. Therefore, the Trust's investments in derivative instruments may be limited by these or other U.S. federal income tax considerations. Recently enacted legislation provides for new regulation of certain portions of the derivatives market, including clearing, margin, reporting, recordkeeping, and registration requirements. Because the legislation leaves much to rule making, its ultimate impact remains unclear. New regulations could, among other things, restrict the Trust's ability to engage in derivatives transactions (for example, by making certain types of derivatives transactions no longer available to the Trust) and/or increase the costs of such derivatives transactions (for example, by increasing margin or capital requirements), and the Trust may be unable to execute its investment strategy as a result.

A more complete discussion of Derivative Transactions and their risks is contained in the SAI.

*Other Derivatives; Future Developments.* The above discussion relates to the Trust's proposed use of certain types of derivatives currently available. However, the Trust is not limited to the transactions described above. In addition, the relevant markets and related regulations are constantly changing and, in the future, the Trust may use derivatives not currently available or widely in use.

*Swaps.* Swap contracts may be purchased or sold to obtain investment exposure and/or to hedge against fluctuations in securities prices, currencies, interest rates or market conditions, to change the duration of the overall portfolio or to mitigate default risk. In a standard "swap" transaction, two parties agree to exchange the returns (or differentials in rates of return) on different currencies, securities, baskets of currencies or securities, indices or other instruments, which returns are calculated with respect to a "notional value," *i.e.*, the designated reference amount of exposure to the underlying instruments. The Trust intends to enter into swaps primarily on a net basis, *i.e.*, the two payment streams are netted out, with the Trust receiving or paying, as the case may be, only the net amount of the two payments. If the other party to a swap contract entered into on net basis defaults, the Trust's risk of loss will consist of the net amount of payments that the Trust is contractually entitled to receive. The net amount of the excess, if any, of the Trust's obligations over its entitlements will be maintained in a segregated account by the Trust's custodian. The Trust will not enter into a swap agreement unless the claims-paying ability of the other party thereto is considered to be an acceptable credit risk to the Trust by the Investment Adviser. If there is a default by the other party to such a transaction, the Trust will have contractual remedies pursuant to the agreements related to the transaction. Swap instruments are not exchange-listed securities and may be traded only in the over-the-counter market.

*Interest Rate Swaps.* Interest rate swaps involve the exchange by the Trust with another party of their respective commitments to pay or receive interest (*e.g.*, an exchange of fixed rate payments for floating rate payments). The Trust may use interest rate swaps for risk management purposes and as a speculative investment.

*Total Return Swaps.* Total return swaps are contracts in which one party agrees to make payments of the total return from the designated underlying asset(s), which may include securities, baskets of securities, or securities indices, during the specified period, in return for receiving payments equal to a fixed or floating rate of interest or the total return from the other designated underlying asset(s). The Trust may use total return swaps for risk management purposes and as a speculative investment.

*Currency Swaps.* Currency swaps involve the exchange of the two parties' respective commitments to pay or receive fluctuations with respect to a notional amount of two different currencies (*e.g.*, an exchange of payments with respect to fluctuations in the value of the U.S. dollar relative to the Japanese yen). The Trust may enter into currency swap contracts and baskets thereof for risk management purposes and as a speculative investment.

*Short Sales.* The Trust may attempt to limit exposure to a possible market decline in the value of its portfolio securities through short sales of securities that the Investment Adviser believes possess volatility characteristics similar to those being hedged. In addition, the Trust intends to use short sales for non-hedging purposes to pursue its investment objectives. Subject to the requirements of the Investment Company Act and the Code, the Trust will not make a short sale if, after giving effect to such sale, the market value of all securities sold short by the Trust exceeds 25% of the value of its total assets. The Trust may make short sales "against the box" (as described below) without respect to such limitations.

A short sale is a transaction in which the Trust sells a security it does not own in anticipation that the market price of that security will decline. When the Trust makes a short sale, it must borrow the security sold short from a broker-dealer and deliver it to the buyer upon conclusion of the sale. The Trust may have to pay a fee to borrow particular securities and is often obligated to pay over any payments received on such borrowed securities.

The Trust's obligation to replace the borrowed security will be secured by collateral deposited with the broker-dealer, usually cash, U.S. government securities or other liquid securities. The Trust will also be required to designate on its books and records similar collateral with its custodian to the extent, if any, necessary so that the aggregate collateral value is at all times at least equal to the

current market value of the security sold short. Depending on arrangements made with the broker-dealer from which it borrowed the security regarding payment over of any payments received by the Trust on such security, the Trust may not receive any payments (including interest) on its collateral deposited with such broker-dealer.

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If the price of the security sold short increases between the time of the short sale and the time the Trust replaces the borrowed security, the Trust will incur a loss; conversely, if the price declines, the Trust will realize a gain. Any gain will be decreased, and any loss increased, by the transaction costs described above. Although the Trust's gain is limited to the price at which it sold the security short, its potential loss is unlimited.

The Trust may also sell a security short if it owns at least an equal amount of the security sold short or another security convertible or exchangeable for an equal amount of the security sold short without payment of further compensation (a short sale against the box). In a short sale against the box, the short seller is exposed to the risk of being forced to deliver stocks that it holds to close the position if the borrowed stock is called in by the lender, which would cause gain or loss to be recognized on the delivered stock. The Trust expects normally to close its short sales against the box by delivering newly acquired stock.

Purchasing securities to close out the short position can itself cause the price of the securities to rise further, thereby exacerbating the loss. Short-selling exposes the Trust to unlimited risk with respect to that security due to the lack of an upper limit on the price to which an instrument can rise. Although the Trust reserves the right to utilize short sales, and currently intends to utilize short sales, the Investment Adviser is under no obligation to utilize short sales at all. Special tax considerations will apply to the Trust's short sales. See "Tax Matters" below.

*Capital Structure Arbitrage.* Capital structure arbitrage typically involves establishing long and short positions in securities (or their derivatives) at different tiers within an issuer's capital structure in ratios designed to maintain a generally neutral overall exposure to the issuer while exploiting a pricing inefficiency. Some issuers may also have more than one class of shares or an equivalent vehicle that trades in a different market (e.g., European equities and their American Depositary Receipt counterparts). This strategy seeks to profit from the disparity in prices between the various related securities in anticipation that over time all tiers and classes will become more efficiently priced relative to one another.

*Pair Trades.* Pair trades involve the establishment of a long position in one security and a short position in another security at the same time. A pair trade attempts to minimize the effect of larger market trends and emphasizes the performance of one security relative to another.

*Repurchase Agreements.* The Trust may invest up to 33 1/3% of its assets in repurchase agreements. It may enter into repurchase agreements with broker-dealers, member banks of the Federal Reserve System and other financial institutions. Repurchase agreements are loans or arrangements under which the Trust purchases securities and the seller agrees to repurchase the securities within a specific time and at a specific price. The repurchase price is generally higher than the Trust's purchase price, with the difference being income to the Trust. Under the direction of the Board, the Investment Adviser reviews and monitors the creditworthiness of any institution which enters into a repurchase agreement with the Trust. The counterparty's obligations under the repurchase agreement are collateralized with U.S. Treasury and/or agency obligations with a market value of not less than 100% of the obligations, valued daily. Collateral is held by the Trust's custodian in a segregated, safekeeping account for the benefit of the Trust. Repurchase agreements afford the Trust an opportunity to earn income on temporarily available cash at relatively low risk. In the event of commencement of bankruptcy or insolvency proceedings with respect to the seller of the security before repurchase of the security under a repurchase agreement, the Trust may encounter delay and incur costs before being able to sell the security. Such a delay may involve loss of interest or a decline in price of the security. If the court characterizes the transaction as a loan and the Trust has not perfected a security interest in the security, the Trust may be required to return the security to the seller's estate and be treated as an unsecured creditor of the seller. As an unsecured creditor, the Trust would be at risk of losing some or all of the principal and interest involved in the transaction.

*Reverse Repurchase Agreements.* A reverse repurchase agreement is an investment technique under which the Trust sells an underlying debt security and simultaneously obtains the commitment of the purchaser (generally, a commercial bank or a broker or dealer) to sell the security back to the Trust at an agreed upon price on an agreed upon date. The repurchase price is generally higher than the Trust's sale price. Reverse repurchase agreements could involve certain risks in the event of default or insolvency of the other party, including possible delays or restrictions upon the Trust's ability to dispose of the underlying securities. An additional risk is that the market value of securities sold by the Trust under a reverse repurchase agreement could decline below the price at which the Trust is obligated to repurchase them. Reverse repurchase agreements will be considered borrowings by the Trust and as such would be subject to any restrictions on borrowing.

Reverse repurchase agreements are also generally subject to earmarking and coverage requirements, with the result that the Trust will designate on its books and records on an ongoing basis cash, U.S. government securities, or other liquid securities in an amount at least equal to the Trust's obligations under the reverse repurchase agreement.



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*Restricted and Illiquid Securities.* Certain of the Trust's investments may be illiquid. Illiquid securities are subject to legal or contractual restrictions on disposition or lack an established secondary trading market. The sale of restricted and illiquid securities often requires more time and results in higher brokerage charges or dealer discounts and other selling expenses than does the sale of securities eligible for trading on national securities exchanges or in the over-the-counter markets. Restricted securities may sell at a price lower than similar securities that are not subject to restrictions on resale.

*Pay-in-kind (PIK) Securities.* PIK securities are securities which pay interest through the issuance of additional debt or equity securities. Similar to zero coupon obligations, PIK securities also carry additional risk as holders of these types of securities realize no cash until the cash payment date unless a portion of such securities is sold. If the issuer defaults, the Trust may obtain no return at all on its investment. The market price of PIK securities is affected by interest rate changes to a greater extent, and therefore tends to be more volatile, than that of securities which pay interest in cash. Additionally, the Trust may be required to recognize income on certain PIK securities for U.S. federal income tax purposes even though the Trust receives no corresponding interest payment in cash on the investments. As a result, in order to receive the special treatment accorded to RICs and their shareholders under the Code and to avoid any U.S. federal income or excise taxes at the Trust level, the Trust may be required to pay out as an income distribution each year an amount greater than the total amount of interest or other income the Trust actually received. The Trust may be required to, among other things, sell portfolio securities, including at potentially disadvantageous times or prices, to obtain cash needed for these income distributions, and may realize gain or loss from such liquidations. In the event the Trust realizes net long-term or short-term capital gains from such liquidation transactions, its shareholders may receive larger capital gain or ordinary dividends, respectively, than they would in the absence of such transactions.

*When-Issued, Delayed-Delivery and Forward Commitment Purchases.* The Trust may purchase securities on a "when-issued" basis and may purchase or sell securities on a "forward commitment" basis in order to acquire the security or to offset against anticipated changes in interest rates and prices. When such transactions are negotiated, the price, which is generally expressed in yield terms, is fixed at the time the commitment is made, but delivery and payment for the securities take place at a later date. When-issued securities and forward commitments may be sold prior to the settlement date, but the Trust will enter into when-issued and forward commitments only with the intention of actually receiving or delivering the securities, as the case may be. If the Trust disposes of the right to acquire a when-issued security prior to its acquisition or disposes of its right to deliver or receive against a forward commitment, it might incur a gain or loss. At the time the Trust enters into a transaction on a when-issued or forward commitment basis, it will designate on its books and records cash or liquid securities equal to at least the value of the when-issued or forward commitment securities. The value of these assets will be monitored daily to ensure that their marked to market value will at all times equal or exceed the corresponding obligations of the Trust. There is always a risk that the securities may not be delivered and that the Trust may incur a loss. Settlements in the ordinary course, which may take substantially more than five business days, are not treated by the Trust as when-issued or forward commitment transactions and accordingly are not subject to the foregoing restrictions.

*Lending of Assets.* Under the Trust's current securities lending agreement, the Trust may lend up to 33 1/3% of its portfolio securities to financial institutions on an approved list of borrowers. The agreement requires that the loans be secured continuously by collateral maintained on a current basis at an amount at least equal to the market value of the securities loaned. The Trust generally accepts cash (U.S. and foreign currency), securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government or its agencies or instrumentalities, or sovereign debt as collateral for these lending transactions, although in the future, it may accept other types of collateral. The Trust continues to receive the equivalent of the interest or dividends paid by the issuer on the securities loaned as well as the benefit of an increase and the detriment of any decrease in the market value of the securities loaned and would also receive compensation based on investment of the collateral. The Trust would not, however, have the right to vote any securities having voting rights during the existence of the loan, but would have the right to call the loan in anticipation of an important vote to be taken among holders of the securities or of the giving or withholding of consent on a material matter affecting the investment (although it may not always be able to call the loan in time to vote or consent, or may choose not to for various reasons).

As with other extensions of credit, there are risks of delay in recovery or even loss of rights in the collateral should the borrower of the securities fail financially. In addition, any income or gains and losses from investing and reinvesting any cash collateral delivered by a borrower pursuant to a loan are generally at the Trust's risk, and to the extent any such losses reduce the amount of cash below the amount required to be returned to the borrower upon the termination of any loan, the Trust may be required to pay or cause to be paid to such borrower or another entity an amount equal to such shortfall in cash.

*Non-U.S. Securities.* The Trust may invest without limit in Non-U.S. Securities, which may include securities denominated in U.S. dollars or in non-U.S. currencies or multinational currency units. The Trust may invest in Non-U.S. Securities of so-called emerging market issuers. The Trust does not currently expect to invest more than 15%, but may invest up to 20%, of its assets in emerging market issuers. For purposes of the Trust, a company is deemed to be a non-U.S. company if it meets any of the following tests: (i) such company was not organized in the United States; (ii) such company's primary business office is not in the United States; (iii) the

principal trading market for such company's securities is not located in the United States; (iv) less than 50% of such company's assets are located in the United States; or (v) 50% or more of such issuer's revenues are derived from outside the United States.

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Non-U.S. securities markets generally are not as developed or efficient as those in the United States. Securities of some non-U.S. issuers are less liquid and more volatile than securities of comparable U.S. issuers. Similarly, volume and liquidity in most non-U.S. securities markets are less than in the United States and, at times, volatility of price can be greater than in the United States. In addition, certain investments in Non-U.S. Securities may be subject to foreign withholding or other taxes on interest, dividends, capital gains or other income. Those taxes will reduce the Trust's yield on any such securities. See "Tax Matters" below.

Because evidences of ownership of such securities usually are held outside the United States, the Trust would be subject to additional risks if it invested in Non-U.S. Securities, which include possible adverse political and economic developments, seizure or nationalization of foreign deposits and adoption of governmental restrictions which might adversely affect or restrict the payment of principal and interest on the Non-U.S. Securities to investors located outside the country of the issuer, whether from currency blockage or otherwise.

Since Non-U.S. Securities may be purchased with and payable in foreign currencies, the value of these assets as measured in U.S. dollars may be affected favorably or unfavorably by changes in currency rates and exchange control regulations.

*Options.* An option on a security is a contract that gives the holder of the option, in return for a premium, the right to buy from (in the case of a call) or sell to (in the case of a put) the writer of the option the security underlying the option at a specified exercise or "strike" price. The writer of an option on a security has the obligation upon exercise of the option to deliver the underlying security upon payment of the exercise price or to pay the exercise price upon delivery of the underlying security. Certain options, known as "American style" options, may be exercised at any time during the term of the option. Other options, known as "European style" options, may be exercised only on the expiration date of the option.

If an option written by the Trust expires unexercised, the Trust realizes on the expiration date a capital gain equal to the premium received by the Trust at the time the option was written. If an option purchased by the Trust expires unexercised, the Trust realizes a capital loss equal to the premium paid. Prior to the earlier of exercise or expiration, an exchange-traded option may be closed out by an offsetting purchase or sale of an option of the same series (type, underlying security, exercise price and expiration). There can be no assurance, however, that a closing purchase or sale transaction can be effected when or at the price the Trust desires. The Trust may sell put or call options it has previously purchased, which could result in a net gain or loss depending on whether the amount realized on the sale is more or less than the premium and other transaction costs paid on the put or call option when purchased. The Trust will realize a capital gain from a closing purchase transaction if the cost of the closing option is less than the premium received from writing the option, or, if it is more, the Trust will realize a capital loss. If the premium received from a closing sale transaction is more than the premium paid to purchase the option, the Trust will realize a capital gain or, if it is less, the Trust will realize a capital loss.

*Futures Contracts and Options on Futures Contracts.* The sale of a futures contract creates an obligation by the Trust, as seller, to deliver the specific type of financial instrument called for in the contract at a specified future time for a specified price. Options on futures contracts are similar to options on securities except that an option on a futures contract gives the purchaser the right in return for the premium paid to assume a position in a futures contract (a long position if the option is a call and a short position if the option is a put).

At the time a futures contract is purchased or sold, the Trust must allocate cash or securities as a deposit payment ("initial margin"). It is expected that the initial margin that the Trust will pay may range from approximately 1% to approximately 5% of the value of the securities or commodities underlying the contract. In certain circumstances, however, such as periods of high volatility, the Trust may be required by an exchange to increase the level of its initial margin payment. Additionally, initial margin requirements may be increased generally in the future by regulatory action. An outstanding futures contract is valued daily and the payment in case of "variation margin" may be required, a process known as "marking to the market." Transactions in listed options and futures are usually settled by entering into an offsetting transaction, and are subject to the risk that the position may not be able to be closed if no offsetting transaction can be arranged.

*Forward Foreign Currency Contracts.* The Trust may enter into forward currency contracts to purchase or sell foreign currencies for a fixed amount of U.S. dollars or another foreign currency. A forward currency contract involves an obligation to purchase or sell a specific currency at a future date, which may be any fixed number of days from the date of the forward currency contract agreed upon by the parties, at a price set at the time the forward currency contract is entered into. Forward currency contracts are traded directly between currency traders (usually large commercial banks) and their customers.

*Short-Term Debt Securities; Temporary Defensive Position; Invest-Up Period.* During the period in which the net proceeds of this offering of common shares are being invested, during periods of adverse market conditions, during periods in which the Investment Adviser determines that it is temporarily unable to follow the Trust's investment strategy or that it would not be in the best interest of

the Trust to do so or pending reinvestment of proceeds received in connection with the sale of a portfolio security or the issuance of additional securities or borrowing money by the Trust, all or any portion of the Trust's assets may be invested in cash or

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cash equivalents. The Investment Adviser's determination that it is temporarily unable to follow the Trust's investment strategy or that it is impractical to do so will generally occur only in situations in which a market disruption event has occurred and where trading in the securities selected through application of the Trust's investment strategy is extremely limited or absent. In such a case, the market price of the Trust's securities may be adversely affected, and the Trust may not pursue or achieve its investment objectives.

### **Use of Leverage**

As provided in the Investment Company Act and subject to certain exceptions, the Trust may issue debt or preferred shares with the condition that immediately after issuance the value of its total assets, less certain ordinary course liabilities, exceed 300% of the amount of the debt outstanding and exceed 200% of the sum of the amount of debt and preferred shares outstanding.

Thus, the Trust may use leverage in the form of borrowings in an amount up to 33 1/3% of the Trust's total assets (including the proceeds of such leverage) and may use leverage in the form of preferred shares in an amount up to 50% of the Trust's total assets (including the proceeds of such leverage). The total leverage of the Trust is currently expected to range between 25% and 30% of the Trust's total assets. The Trust seeks a leverage ratio, based on a variety of factors including market conditions and the Investment Adviser's market outlook, for which the rate of return, net of applicable Trust expenses, on the Trust's portfolio investments purchased with leverage exceeds the costs associated with such leverage.

The Trust, as of June 30, 2019, was leveraged through borrowings from a committed facility with BNP Paribas Prime Brokerage, Inc. ("BNP") with a total commitment of \$135,000,000. As of June 30, 2019, the Trust had drawn \$66.0 million on the committed facility. In addition, the Trust intends to leverage its portfolio through a master repurchase agreement entered into with BNP Paribas Securities Corporation ("BNP Securities") on November 16, 2017, as amended, that allows the Trust to enter into reverse repurchase transactions from time to time pursuant to the terms of the master repurchase agreement. On August 14, 2018, the Trust, and two of its wholly-owned subsidiaries, NREC and NREO, entered into a \$75.0 million revolving credit agreement with KeyBank National Association. The revolving balance stepped down to \$60.0 million after September 14, 2018. As of June 30, 2019, The Trust had drawn \$55.4 million on the committed facility. The Trust's asset coverage ratio as of June 30, 2019 was 524.7%. See "Principal Risks of the Trust — Leverage Risk" for a brief description of the Trust's committed facility, master repurchase agreement and bridge credit agreement.

Following the completion of an Offering, the Trust may increase the amount of leverage outstanding. The Trust may engage in additional borrowings, issue notes, or issue preferred shares in order to maintain the Trust's desired leverage ratio. Leverage creates a greater risk of loss, as well as a potential for more gain, for the common shares than if leverage were not used. Interest on borrowings (or dividends on preferred shares) may be at a fixed or floating rate and generally will be based on short-term rates. The costs associated with the Trust's use of leverage, including the issuance of such leverage and the payment of dividends or interest on such leverage, will be borne entirely by the holders of common shares. As long as the rate of return, net of applicable Trust expenses, on the Trust's portfolio investments purchased with leverage exceeds the costs associated with such leverage, the Trust will generate more return or income than will be needed to pay such costs. In this event, the excess will be available to pay higher dividends to holders of common shares. Conversely, if the Trust's return on such assets is less than the cost of leverage and other Trust expenses, the return to the holders of the common shares will diminish. To the extent that the Trust uses leverage, the NAV and market price of the common shares and the yield to holders of common shares will be more volatile. The Trust's leveraging strategy may not be successful. See "Principal Risks of the Trust—Leverage Risk."

Assuming the utilization of leverage in the amount of 25.0% of the Trust's total assets and an annual interest rate of 3.81% payable on such leverage based on market rates as of June 30, 2019, the additional income that the Trust must earn (net of expenses) in order to cover such leverage is 3.26% of NAV. Actual costs of leverage may be higher or lower than that assumed in the previous example.

The following table is designed to illustrate the effect on the return to a holder of the Trust's common shares of leverage in the amount of approximately 25.0% of the Trust's total assets, assuming hypothetical annual returns of the Trust's investment portfolio of minus 10% to plus 10%. As the table shows, leverage generally increases the return to holders of common shares when portfolio return is positive and greater than the cost of leverage and decreases the return when the portfolio return is negative or less than the cost of leverage. The figures appearing in the table are hypothetical and actual returns may be greater or less than those appearing in the table.

<b>Assumed return on portfolio (net of expenses)</b>	-10%	-5%	0%	5%	10%
<b>Corresponding return to common stockholder</b>	-14.4%	-7.8%	-1.1%	5.6%	12.2%

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The following is a description of the principal risks associated with an investment in the Trust's common and preferred shares specifically, as well as those risks generally associated with investment in a company with investment objectives, investment policies, capital structure or trading markets similar to the Trust. Given the risks described below, an investment in the common shares of the Trust may not be appropriate for all investors. You should carefully consider your ability to assume these risks before making an investment in common shares of the Trust.

**INVESTMENT AND MARKET DISCOUNT RISK**

An investment in the Trust's common shares is subject to investment risk, including the possible loss of the entire amount that you invest. As with any stock, the price of the Trust's shares fluctuates with market conditions and other factors. If common shares are sold, the price received may be more or less than the original investment. Shares of closed-end management investment companies frequently trade at a discount to their NAV. The Trust's common shares may trade at a price that is less than the offering price. This risk may be greater for investors who sell their shares in a relatively short period of time after completion of an Offering. Common shares are designed for long-term investors and should not be treated as trading vehicles.

**REIT-SPECIFIC RISK**

REITs may be affected by changes in the real estate markets generally as well as changes in the values of the properties owned by the REIT or securing the mortgages owned by the REIT (which changes in value could be influenced by market conditions for real estate in general or fluctuations in the value of rights to natural resources appurtenant to the property held by the REIT). REITs are dependent upon management skill and are not diversified. REITs are also subject to heavy cash flow dependency, defaults by borrowers, self-liquidation, and the possibility of failing to qualify for special tax treatment under the Code and to maintain an exemption under the Investment Company Act. For example, because a REIT may acquire debt securities of issuers primarily engaged in or related to the real estate industry, it also could conceivably own real estate directly as a result of a default on such securities. Any rental income or income from the disposition of such real estate could adversely affect its ability to retain its tax status, which would have adverse tax consequences on its shareholders. Finally, certain REITs may be self-liquidating at the end of a specified term, and run the risk of liquidating at an economically inopportune time.

Each Subsidiary has elected to be taxed as a REIT. In order for each Subsidiary to qualify and maintain its qualification as a REIT, it must satisfy certain requirements set forth in the Code and Treasury Regulations that depend on various factual matters and circumstances. The Trust and the Investment Adviser intend to structure each REIT Subsidiary and its activities in a manner designed to satisfy all of these requirements. However, the application of such requirements is not entirely clear, and it is possible that the IRS may interpret or apply those requirements in a manner that jeopardizes the ability of such REIT Subsidiary to satisfy all of the requirements for qualification as a REIT.

If a REIT Subsidiary fails to qualify as a REIT for any taxable year and it does not qualify for certain statutory relief provisions, it will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on its taxable income at corporate rates. In addition, it will generally be disqualified from treatment as a REIT for the four taxable years following the year of losing its REIT status. Losing its REIT status will reduce its net earnings available for investment or distribution to stockholders because of the additional tax liability. In addition, distributions to stockholders will no longer qualify for the dividends paid deduction, and the REIT Subsidiary will no longer be required to make distributions. If this occurs, such REIT Subsidiary might be required to borrow funds or liquidate some investments in order to pay the applicable tax.

To obtain the favorable tax treatment afforded to REITs under the Code, each REIT Subsidiary generally will be required each year to distribute to its stockholders at least 90% of its REIT taxable income determined without regard to the dividends-paid deduction and excluding net capital gain. To the extent that it does not distribute all of its net capital gains, or distributes at least 90%, but less than 100%, of its REIT taxable income, as adjusted, it will have to pay tax on amounts retained at regular ordinary and capital gains corporate tax rates. Furthermore, if it fails to distribute during each calendar year at least the sum of (a) 85% of its ordinary income for that year, (b) 95% of its capital gain net income for that year, and (c) any undistributed taxable income from prior periods, it would have to pay a 4% nondeductible excise tax on the excess of the amounts required to be distributed over the sum of (a) the amounts that it actually distributed and (b) the amounts it retained and upon which it paid income tax at the corporate level. These requirements could cause it to distribute amounts that otherwise would be spent on investments in real estate assets, and it is possible that the REIT Subsidiary might be required to borrow funds, possibly at unfavorable rates, or sell assets to fund the required distributions.

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Interest rate risk is the risk that debt securities, and the Trust's net assets, may decline in value because of changes in interest rates. Generally, debt securities will decrease in value when interest rates rise and increase in value when interest rates decline. This means that the NAV of the common shares will fluctuate with interest rate changes and the corresponding changes in the value of the Trust's debt security holdings. To the extent the Trust invests in longer duration fixed rate debt securities, the Trust is subject to greater interest rate risk than funds investing solely in shorter-term fixed-rate debt securities. Interest rate risk may be heightened when interest rates are below or significantly below historical averages. As of the date of this Prospectus, interest rates in the U.S. are at or near historically low levels, increasing the exposure of debt securities to the risks associated with rising interest rates. Rising market interest rates could have unpredictable effects on the markets and may expose fixed-income and related markets to heightened volatility. Recent and potential future changes in government policy may affect interest rates. In addition, in a period of rising interest rates, the higher cost of any leverage employed by the Trust and/or increasing defaults by issuers of high yield securities would likely exacerbate any decline in the Trust's NAV.

Duration is a measure used to determine the sensitivity of a security's price to changes in interest rates that incorporates a security's yield, coupon, final maturity and call features, among other characteristics. Duration is useful primarily as a measure of the sensitivity of a fixed income security's market price to interest rate (i.e. yield) movements. All other things remaining equal, for each one percentage point increase in interest rates, the value of a portfolio of fixed income investments would generally be expected to decline by one percent for every year of the portfolio's average duration above zero. For example, the value of a portfolio of fixed income securities with an average duration of three years would generally be expected to decline by approximately 3% if interest rates rose by one percentage point.

**PREPAYMENT RISK**

If interest rates fall, the principal on bonds and loans held by the Trust may be paid earlier than expected. If this happens, the proceeds from a prepaid security may be reinvested by the Trust in securities bearing lower interest rates, resulting in a possible decline in the Trust's income and distributions to shareholders. The Trust may invest in pools of mortgages or other assets issued or guaranteed by private issuers or U.S. government agencies and instrumentalities. Mortgage-related securities are especially sensitive to prepayment risk because borrowers often refinance their mortgages when interest rates decline.

**RISKS OF INVESTING IN HIGH-YIELD SECURITIES**

A substantial portion of the Trust's investments will consist of investments that may generally be characterized as "high-yield securities" or "junk securities," and the Trust may invest without limit in such securities. Such securities are typically rated below investment grade by one or more nationally recognized statistical rating organizations or are unrated but of comparable credit quality to obligations rated below investment grade, and have greater credit and liquidity risk than more highly rated obligations. High-yield securities are generally unsecured and may be subordinate to other obligations of the obligor. The lower rating of high-yield securities reflects a greater possibility that adverse changes in the financial condition of the issuer or in general economic conditions (including, for example, a substantial period of rising interest rates or declining earnings) or both may impair the ability of the issuer to make payment of principal and interest. Many issuers of high-yield securities are highly leveraged, and their relatively high debt to equity ratios create increased risks that their operations might not generate sufficient cash flow to service their obligations. Overall declines in the high-yield bond and other markets may adversely affect such issuers by inhibiting their ability to refinance their obligations at maturity.

High-yield securities are often issued in connection with leveraged acquisitions or recapitalizations in which the issuers incur a substantially higher amount of indebtedness than the level at which they had previously operated. High-yield securities that are debt instruments have historically experienced greater default rates than has been the case for investment grade securities. The Trust may also invest in equity securities issued by entities whose obligations are unrated or are rated below investment grade.

The Trust is authorized to invest in obligations of issuers that are generally trading at significantly higher yields than had been historically typical of the applicable issuer's obligations. Such investments may include debt obligations that have a heightened probability of being in covenant or payment default in the future. Such investments generally are considered highly speculative. The repayment of defaulted obligations is subject to significant uncertainties. Defaulted obligations might be repaid only after lengthy workout or bankruptcy proceedings, during which the issuer might not make any interest or other payments. Typically such workout or bankruptcy proceedings result in only partial recovery of cash payments or an exchange of the defaulted security for other debt or equity securities of the issuer or its affiliates, which may in turn be illiquid or highly speculative.

High-yield securities purchased by the Trust are subject to certain additional risks to the extent that such obligations may be unsecured and subordinated to substantial amounts of senior indebtedness, all or a significant portion of which may be secured. Moreover, such obligations purchased by the Trust may not be protected by financial covenants or limitations upon additional indebtedness and are unlikely to be secured by collateral.



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### **ILLIQUIDITY OF INVESTMENTS**

The investments made by the Trust may be very illiquid, and consequently, the Trust may not be able to sell such investments at prices that reflect the Investment Adviser's assessment of their fair value or the amount paid for such investments by the Trust. An inability to sell a portfolio position can adversely affect the Trust's value or prevent the Trust from being able to take advantage of other investment opportunities. Illiquidity may result from the absence of an established market for the investments as well as legal, contractual or other restrictions on their resale by the Trust and other factors. Furthermore, the nature of the Trust's investments, especially those in financially stressed and distressed companies, may require a long holding period prior to being able to determine whether the investment will be profitable or not. There is no limit on the amount of the Trust's investment portfolio that can be invested in illiquid securities.

### **RISKS OF INVESTING IN SENIOR LOANS**

Senior loans, such as bank loans, are typically at the most senior level of the capital structure, and are sometimes secured by specific collateral, including, but not limited to, trademarks, patents, accounts receivable, inventory, equipment, buildings, real estate, franchises and common and preferred stock of the obligor or its affiliates. A portion of the Trust's investments may consist of loans and participations therein originated by banks and other financial institutions, typically referred to as "bank loans." The Trust's investments may include loans of a type generally incurred by borrowers in connection with highly leveraged transactions, often to finance internal growth, acquisitions, mergers or stock purchases, or for other reasons. As a result of the additional debt incurred by the borrower in the course of the transaction, the borrower's creditworthiness is often judged by the rating agencies to be below investment grade. Such loans are typically private corporate loans negotiated by one or more commercial banks or financial institutions and syndicated among a group of commercial banks and financial institutions. In order to induce the lenders to extend credit and to offer a favorable interest rate, the borrower often provides the lenders with extensive information about its business that is not generally available to the public. To the extent the Trust receives material non-public information, it may be prohibited from trading in certain securities, even when it might otherwise be beneficial to do so.

Bank loans often, but not always, contain restrictive covenants designed to limit the activities of the borrower in an effort to protect the right of lenders to receive timely payments of principal and interest. Such covenants may include restrictions on distribution payments, specific mandatory minimum financial ratios, limits on total debt and other financial tests. Bank loans usually have shorter terms than subordinated obligations and may require mandatory prepayments from excess cash flow, asset dispositions and offerings of debt and/or equity securities. The bank loans and other debt obligations to be acquired by the Trust are likely to be below investment grade.

The Trust may acquire interests in bank loans and other debt obligations either directly (by way of sale or assignment) or indirectly (by way of participation). The purchaser of an assignment typically succeeds to all the rights and obligations of the assigning institution and becomes a lender under the credit agreement with respect to the debt obligation; however, its rights can be more restricted than those of the assigning institution, and, in any event, the Trust may not be able unilaterally to enforce all rights and remedies under the loan and any associated collateral. A participation interest in a portion of a debt obligation typically results in a contractual relationship only with the institution participating out the interest, not with the borrower. In purchasing participations, the Trust generally will have no right to enforce compliance by the borrower with the terms of the loan agreement or any rights of setoff against the borrower, and the Trust may not directly benefit from the collateral supporting the debt obligation in which it has purchased the participation. As a result, the Trust will be exposed to the credit risk of both the borrower and the institution selling the participation.

Purchasers of bank loans are predominantly commercial banks, investment funds and investment banks. As secondary market trading volumes increase, new bank loans frequently adopt standardized documentation to facilitate loan trading, which the Investment Adviser believes should improve market liquidity. However, no active trading market may exist for certain senior loans, which may impair the ability of the Trust to realize full value in the event of the need to liquidate such assets. Adverse market conditions may impair the liquidity of some actively traded senior loans. In addition, future levels of supply and demand in bank loan trading may not provide an adequate degree of liquidity and the current level of liquidity may not continue. Because of the provision to holders of such loans of confidential information relating to the borrower, the unique and customized nature of the loan agreement, the limited universe of eligible purchasers and the private syndication of the loan, bank loans are not as easily purchased or sold as a publicly-traded security.

As with any debt instrument, senior loans are generally subject to the risk of price declines and as interest rates rise, the cost of borrowing increases, which may increase the risk of default. In addition, the interest rates of floating rate loans typically only adjust to changes in short-term

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interest rates; long-term interest rates can vary dramatically from short-term interest rates. Declines in interest rates may increase prepayments of debt obligations and require the Trust to invest assets at lower yields.

### **LEGISLATION RISK**

To the extent that legislation or state or federal regulators impose additional requirements or restrictions with respect to the ability of financial institutions to make loans in connection with highly leveraged transactions, the availability of senior loan interests for investment by the Trust may be adversely affected. In addition, such requirements or restrictions may reduce or eliminate sources of financing for affected borrowers. Further, to the extent that legislation or federal or state regulators require such institutions to dispose of senior loan interests relating to highly leveraged transactions or subject such senior loan interests to increased regulatory scrutiny, such financial institutions may determine to sell senior loan interests in a manner that results in a price that, in the opinion of the Investment Adviser, is not indicative of fair value. Were the Trust to attempt to sell a senior loan interest at a time when a financial institution was engaging in such a sale with respect to the senior loan interest, the price at which the Trust could consummate such a sale might be adversely affected.

### **SECOND LIEN LOANS RISK**

Second lien loans are subject to the same risks associated with investment in senior loans and non-investment grade securities. However, second lien loans are second in right of payment to senior loans and therefore are subject to additional risk that the cash flow of the borrower and any property securing the loan may be insufficient to meet scheduled payments after giving effect to the senior secured obligations of the borrower. Second lien loans are expected to have greater price volatility than senior loans and may be less liquid. There is also a possibility that originators will not be able to sell participations in second lien loans, which would create greater credit risk exposure.

### **OTHER SECURED LOANS RISK**

Secured loans other than senior loans and second lien loans are subject to the same risks associated with investment in senior loans, second lien loans and non-investment grade securities. However, such loans may rank lower in right of payment than any outstanding senior loans and second lien loans of the borrower and therefore are subject to additional risk that the cash flow of the borrower and any property securing the loan may be insufficient to meet scheduled payments after giving effect to the higher-ranking secured obligations of the borrower. Lower-ranking secured loans are expected to have greater price volatility than senior loans and second lien loans and may be less liquid. There is also a possibility that originators will not be able to sell participations in lower-ranking secured loans, which would create greater credit risk exposure.

### **UNSECURED LOANS RISK**

Unsecured loans are subject to the same risks associated with investment in senior loans, second lien loans, other secured loans and non-investment grade securities. However, because unsecured loans have lower priority in right of payment to any higher ranking obligations of the borrower and are not backed by a security interest in any specific collateral, they are subject to additional risk that the cash flow of the borrower and available assets may be insufficient to meet scheduled payments after giving effect to any higher ranking obligations of the borrower. Unsecured loans are expected to have greater price volatility than senior loans, second lien loans and other secured loans and may be less liquid. There is also a possibility that originators will not be able to sell participations in unsecured loans, which would create greater credit risk exposure.

Loans other than senior loans may not be acceptable collateral under the Trust's current credit facility or under any future credit facilities, or may require a higher collateral-to-loan ratio, and therefore to the extent the Trust invests in such loans its ability to borrow may be reduced.

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The Trust is authorized to invest in the securities and other obligations of stressed, distressed and bankrupt issuers, including debt obligations that are in covenant or payment default. There is no limit on the amount of the Trust's investment portfolio that can be invested in stressed, distressed or bankrupt issuers, and the Trust may invest for purposes of control. Such investments generally trade significantly below par and are considered highly speculative. The repayment of defaulted obligations is subject to significant uncertainties. Defaulted obligations might be repaid only after lengthy workout or bankruptcy proceedings, during which the issuer might not make any interest or other payments. Typically such workout or bankruptcy proceedings result in only partial recoveries, which may be in the form of cash payments or an exchange of the defaulted obligation for other debt or equity securities of the issuer or its affiliates, which may in turn be illiquid or highly speculative. It is also possible that there could be limited or no recovery for creditors in a bankruptcy or workout.

There are a number of significant risks inherent in the bankruptcy process, including, without limitation, those set forth in this paragraph. First, many events in a bankruptcy are the product of contested matters and adversary proceedings and are beyond the control of the creditors. While creditors are generally given an opportunity to object to significant actions, a bankruptcy court in the exercise of its broad equitable powers may approve actions that are contrary to the interests of the Trust. Second, a bankruptcy filing by an issuer may adversely and permanently affect the issuer. The issuer may lose its market position and key employees and otherwise become incapable of restoring itself as a viable entity. If for this or any other reason the proceeding is converted to a liquidation, the value of the issuer may not equal the liquidation value that was believed to exist at the time of the investment. Third, the duration of a bankruptcy proceeding is difficult to predict. A creditor's return on investment can be adversely affected by delays while the plan of reorganization is being negotiated (or, in some cases, litigated), approved by the creditors and confirmed by the bankruptcy court and until it ultimately becomes effective. Fourth, the administrative costs in connection with a bankruptcy proceeding are frequently high and would be paid out of the debtor's estate prior to any return to creditors. For example, if a proceeding involves protracted or difficult litigation, or turns into a liquidation, substantial assets may be devoted to administrative costs. Fifth, bankruptcy law permits the classification of "substantially similar" claims in determining the classification of claims in a reorganization. Because the standard for classification is vague, there exists the risk that the Trust's influence with respect to the class of securities or other obligations it owns can be lost by increases in the number and amount of claims in that class or by different classification and treatment. Sixth, in certain circumstances in which the Trust acquires claims against the issuer to obtain a control position with respect to a class or classes of claims, the Trust's influence with respect to all of the class or classes of securities or other obligations it owns can be lost if the bankruptcy court designates the Trust's vote or votes on the Chapter 11 plan as a result of the Trust's claim purchases. Seventh, in the early stages of the bankruptcy process it is often difficult to estimate the extent of, or even to identify, any contingent claims that might be made. Eighth, especially in the case of investments made prior to the commencement of bankruptcy proceedings, creditors can lose their ranking and priority if they exercise "domination and control" over a debtor and other creditors can demonstrate that they have been harmed by such actions. Ninth, certain claims that have priority by law (for example, claims for taxes) may be substantial.

In any investment involving stressed and distressed debt obligations, there exists the risk that the transaction involving such debt obligations will be unsuccessful, take considerable time or will result in a distribution of cash or a new security or obligation in exchange for the stressed and distressed debt obligations, the value of which may be less than the Trust's purchase price of such debt obligations. Furthermore, if an anticipated transaction does not occur, the Trust may be required to sell its investment at a loss. Given the substantial uncertainties concerning transactions involving stressed and distressed debt obligations in which the Trust invests, there is a potential risk of loss by the Trust of its entire investment in any particular investment.

Investments in companies operating in workout modes or under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code are also, in certain circumstances, subject to certain additional liabilities, which may exceed the value of the Trust's original investment in a company. For example, under certain circumstances, creditors who have inappropriately exercised control over the management and policies of a debtor may have their claims subordinated or disallowed or may be found liable for damages suffered by parties as a result of such actions. The Investment Adviser's active management style may present a greater risk in this area than would a more passive approach. In addition, under certain circumstances, payments to the Trust and distributions by the Trust or payments on the debt may be reclaimed if any such payment is later determined to have been a fraudulent conveyance or a preferential payment.

The Investment Adviser on behalf of the Trust (and its other clients) may participate on committees formed by creditors to negotiate with the management of financially troubled companies that may or may not be in bankruptcy or may negotiate directly with debtors with respect to restructuring issues. If the Trust does choose to join a committee, the Trust would likely be only one of many

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participants, all of whom would be interested in obtaining an outcome that is in their individual best interests. The Trust may not be successful in obtaining results most favorable to it in such proceedings, although the Trust may incur significant legal and other expenses in attempting to do so. As a result of participation by the Trust on such committees, the Trust may be deemed to have duties to other creditors represented by the committees, which might thereby expose the Trust to liability to such other creditors who disagree with the Trust's actions. Participation by the Trust on such committees may cause the Trust to be subject to certain restrictions on its ability to trade in a particular investment and may also make the Trust an "insider" or an "underwriter" for purposes of the federal securities laws. Either circumstance will restrict the Trust's ability to trade in or acquire additional positions in a particular investment when it might otherwise desire to do so.

Investments in distressed debt obligations that are at risk of or in default present special tax issues for the Trust. Tax rules are not entirely clear about issues such as whether and to what extent the Trust should recognize "market discount" on certain distressed debt obligations; when the Trust may cease to accrue interest, "original issue discount" or market discount; when and to what extent the Trust may take deductions for bad debts or worthless securities and how the Trust should allocate payments received on obligations in default between principal and income. These and other related issues will be addressed by the Trust when, as and if it invests in such obligations, in order to seek to ensure that it distributes sufficient income to maintain its eligibility for treatment as a RIC under the Code and that it does not become subject to Trust-level U.S. federal income or excise taxes.

## **INSOLVENCY CONSIDERATIONS WITH RESPECT TO ISSUERS OF DEBT OBLIGATIONS**

Various laws enacted for the protection of creditors may apply to the debt obligations held by the Trust. The information in this paragraph is applicable with respect to U.S. issuers subject to U.S. bankruptcy laws. Insolvency considerations may differ with respect to other issuers. If a court in a lawsuit brought by an unpaid creditor or representative of creditors of an issuer of a debt obligation, such as a trustee in bankruptcy or a creditors' committee, were to find that the issuer did not receive fair consideration or reasonably equivalent value for incurring the indebtedness constituting the debt obligation and, after giving effect to such indebtedness, the issuer (i) was insolvent, (ii) was engaged in a business for which the remaining assets of such issuer constituted unreasonably small capital, or (iii) intended to incur, or believed that it would incur, debts beyond its ability to pay such debts as they mature, such court could determine to invalidate, in whole or in part, such indebtedness as a fraudulent conveyance, to subordinate such indebtedness to existing or future creditors of such issuer, or to recover amounts previously paid by such issuer in satisfaction of such indebtedness.

The measure of insolvency for purposes of the foregoing will vary. Generally, an issuer would be considered insolvent at a particular time if the sum of its debts were then greater than all of its property at a fair valuation, or if the present fair saleable value of its assets was then less than the amount that would be required to pay its probable liabilities on its existing debts as they became absolute and matured. There can be no assurance as to what standard a court would apply in order to determine whether the issuer was "insolvent" after giving effect to the incurrence of the indebtedness constituting the debt obligation or that, regardless of the method of valuation, a court would not determine that the issuer was "insolvent" upon giving effect to such incurrence. In addition, in the event of the insolvency of an issuer of a debt obligation, payments made on such debt obligation could be subject to avoidance as a "preference" if made within a certain period of time (which may be as long as one year) before insolvency. Similarly, a court might apply the doctrine of equitable subordination to subordinate the claim of a lending institution against an issuer, to claims of other creditors of the borrower, when the lending institution, another investor, or any of their transferees, is found to have engaged in unfair, inequitable, or fraudulent conduct. In general, if payments on a debt obligation are avoidable, whether as fraudulent conveyances or preferences, such payments can be recaptured either from the initial recipient (such as the Trust) or from subsequent transferees of such payments (such as the investors in the Trust). To the extent that any such payments are recaptured from the Trust the resulting loss will be borne by the investors. However, a court in a bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding would be able to direct the recapture of any such payment from such a recipient or transferee only to the extent that such court has jurisdiction over such recipient or transferee or its assets. Moreover, it is likely that avoidable payments could not be recaptured directly from any such recipient or transferee that has given value in exchange for its note, in good faith and without knowledge that the payments were avoidable. Although the Investment Adviser will seek to avoid conduct that would form the basis for a successful cause of action based upon fraudulent conveyance, preference or equitable subordination, these determinations are made in hindsight and a court could disagree with the Trust's position, and, in any event, there can be no assurance as to whether any lending institution or other investor from which the Trust acquired the debt obligations engaged in any such conduct (or any other conduct that would subject the debt obligations and the issuer to insolvency laws) and, if it did, as to whether such creditor claims could be asserted in a U.S. court (or in the courts of any other country) against the Trust.

## **LITIGATION RISK**

The Trust is sometimes subject to legal proceedings and claims based on the securities and instruments in which the Trust invests. Litigation may result in substantial costs and may seriously harm the Trust's investments and overall financial condition. In

addition, legal claims that have not yet been asserted against the Trust may be asserted in the future.

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When deemed appropriate by the Investment Adviser and subject to applicable regulations, the Trust may use leverage in its investment program, including through the issuance of preferred shares, borrowings from a credit facility, issuing notes or other debt securities and investments in certain types of options, such as puts, calls and warrants. While such strategies and techniques increase the opportunity to achieve higher returns on the amounts invested, they also increase the risk of loss. To the extent the Trust purchases securities with borrowed funds, its net assets will tend to increase or decrease at a greater rate than if borrowed funds are not used. The level of interest rates generally, and the rates at which such funds may be borrowed in particular, could affect the operating results of the Trust. If the interest expense on borrowings were to exceed the net return on the portfolio securities purchased with borrowed funds, the Trust's use of leverage would result in a lower rate of return than if the Trust were not leveraged.

The Trust's leveraged capital structure creates special risks not associated with unleveraged funds having a similar investment objective and policies. These include the possibility of greater loss and the likelihood of higher volatility of the NAV of the Trust and the asset coverage for the preferred shares.

Pursuant to regulations and/or published positions of the Commission, the Trust may be required to earmark liquid assets in an amount equal to the Trust's daily marked-to-market value of its transactions in futures and options. To maintain this required margin, the Trust may have to sell portfolio securities at disadvantageous prices or times because it may not be possible to liquidate a position at a reasonable price. In addition, the earmarking of such assets will have the effect of limiting the Trust's ability otherwise to invest those assets.

The Trust also has the ability to use leverage through the issuance of preferred shares, borrowings from a credit facility, issuance of secured notes or other debt securities, or any combination of the three. The Trust currently leverages through borrowings from a committed facility, through a master repurchase agreement and through a bridge credit agreement. The use of leverage, which can be described as exposure to changes in price at a ratio greater than the amount of equity invested, either through the issuance of preferred shares, borrowings or other forms of market exposure, magnifies both the favorable and unfavorable effects of price movements in the investments made by the Trust. Insofar as the Trust continues to employ leverage in its investment operations, the Trust will be subject to substantial risks of loss.

Therefore, if the market value of the Trust's investment portfolio declines, any leverage will result in a greater decrease in NAV to common shareholders than if the Trust were not leveraged. Such greater NAV decrease will also tend to cause a greater decline in the market price for the common shares. Further, if at any time while the Trust has leverage outstanding it does not meet applicable asset coverage requirements (as discussed below), it may be required to suspend distributions to common shareholders until the requisite asset coverage is restored. Any such suspension might impair the ability of the Trust to meet the RIC distribution requirements and to avoid Trust-level U.S. federal income or excise taxes.

As noted above, the Trust currently leverages through borrowings from a committed facility, through a master repurchase agreement and through a bridge credit agreement. The Trust had previously entered into a secured Credit Facility with State Street. Such borrowings constitute financial leverage.

Indebtedness incurred under the Committed Facility is not convertible into any other securities of the Trust. Outstanding amounts would be payable at maturity or such earlier times as required by the Committed Facility agreement. The Trust may be required to prepay outstanding amounts under the Committed Facility or incur a penalty rate of interest in the event of the occurrence of certain events of default. The Committed Facility agreement obligates the Trust to provide certain indemnities to the agent and the lenders and their affiliates. The Trust is required to pay ongoing commitment fees on the undrawn amount under the terms of the Committed Facility agreement. With the use of borrowings, there is a risk that the interest rates paid by the Trust on the amount it borrows will be higher than the return on the Trust's investments. The Committed Facility may in the future be replaced or refinanced by one or more credit facilities having substantially different terms or by the issuance of preferred shares, or the Trust may be unable to renew or replace its Committed Facility upon the termination of the current facilities, possibly requiring it to sell portfolio securities at times or prices that are disadvantageous. Any of these situations could adversely impact income or total return to shareholders.

The Trust must comply with investment quality, diversification and other guidelines established by the Committed Facility agreement. The Trust does not anticipate that such guidelines will have a material adverse effect on the Trust's common shareholders or its ability to achieve its investment objectives.

Successful use of a leveraging strategy may depend on the Investment Adviser's ability to predict correctly interest rates and market movements, and there is no assurance that a leveraging strategy will be successful during any period in which it is employed.

**RISKS OF INVESTING IN OTHER INVESTMENT COMPANIES**

The Trust may invest in investment companies such as open-end funds (mutual funds), closed-end funds and ETFs (also referred to as “Underlying Funds”). The Trust may invest in Underlying Funds subject to the limitations set forth in the Investment Company Act. Underlying Funds typically incur fees that are separate from those fees incurred directly by the Trust; therefore, the Trust’s purchase of Underlying Funds’ securities results in the layering of expenses. The Trust’s shareholders indirectly bear a proportionate share of the operating expenses of Underlying Funds (including advisory fees) in addition to bearing the Trust’s expenses.

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The Trust may invest in investment companies that are advised by the Investment Adviser or its affiliates, including ETFs, to the extent permitted by applicable law and/or pursuant to exemptive relief from the SEC. These investment companies typically incur fees that are separate from those fees incurred directly by the Trust. The Trust's purchase of such investment company securities results in the layering of expenses, such that shareholders would indirectly bear a proportionate share of the operating expenses of such investment companies, including advisory fees, in addition to paying Trust expenses.

Shares of closed-end funds are typically offered to the public in a one-time initial public offering by a group of underwriters who retain a spread or underwriting commission of between 4% or 6% of the initial public offering price. Such securities are then listed for trading on the New York Stock Exchange, the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation System (commonly known as "NASDAQ") and, in some cases, may be traded in other over-the-counter markets. Because the shares of closed-end funds cannot be redeemed upon demand to the issuer like the shares of an open-end investment company (such as the Funds), investors seek to buy and sell shares of closed-end funds in the secondary market.

The Trust generally will purchase shares of closed-end funds only in the secondary market. The Trust will incur normal brokerage costs on such purchases similar to the expenses the Trust would incur for the purchase of securities of any other type of issuer in the secondary market. The Trust may, however, also purchase securities of a closed-end fund in an initial public offering when, in the opinion of the Investment Adviser, based on a consideration of the nature of the closed-end fund's proposed investments, the prevailing market conditions and the level of demand for such securities, they represent an attractive opportunity for growth of capital. The initial offering price typically will include a dealer spread, which may be higher than the applicable brokerage cost if the Trust purchased such securities in the secondary market.

The shares of many closed-end funds, after their initial public offering, frequently trade at a price per share that is less than the NAV per share, the difference representing the "market discount" of such shares. This market discount may be due in part to the investment objective of long-term appreciation, which is sought by many closed-end funds, as well as to the fact that the shares of closed-end funds are not redeemable by the holder upon demand to the issuer at the next determined NAV but rather are subject to the principles of supply and demand in the secondary market. A relative lack of secondary market purchasers of closed-end fund shares also may contribute to such shares trading at a discount to their NAV.

The Trust may invest in shares of closed-end funds that are trading at a discount to NAV or at a premium to NAV. There can be no assurance that the market discount on shares of any closed-end fund purchased by the Trust will ever decrease. In fact, it is possible that this market discount may increase and the Trust may suffer realized or unrealized capital losses due to further decline in the market price of the securities of such closed-end funds, thereby adversely affecting the NAV of the Trust's shares. Similarly, there can be no assurance that any shares of a closed-end fund purchased by the Trust at a premium will continue to trade at a premium or that the premium will not decrease subsequent to a purchase of such shares by the Trust.

Closed-end funds may issue senior securities (including preferred stock and debt obligations) for the purpose of leveraging the closed-end fund's common shares in an attempt to enhance the current return to such closed-end fund's common shareholders. The Trust's investment in the common shares of closed-end funds that are financially leveraged may create an opportunity for greater total return on its investment, but at the same time may be expected to exhibit more volatility in market price and NAV than an investment in shares of investment companies without a leveraged capital structure.

The majority of ETFs are passive funds that track their related index and have the flexibility of trading like a security. They are managed by professionals and provide the investor with diversification, cost and tax efficiency, liquidity, margin-ability, are useful for hedging, have the ability to go long and short, and some provide quarterly dividends. Additionally, some ETFs are unit investment trusts (UITs), which are unmanaged portfolios overseen by trustees.

There is a risk that an ETF in which the Trust invests may terminate due to extraordinary events that may cause any of the service providers to the ETFs, such as the trustee or sponsor, to close or otherwise fail to perform their obligations to the ETF. Also, because the ETFs in which the Trust intends to principally invest may be granted licenses by agreement to use the indices as a basis for determining their compositions and/or otherwise to use certain trade names, the ETFs may terminate if such license agreements are terminated. In addition, an ETF may terminate if its entire NAV falls below a certain amount. Although the Trust believes that, in the event of the termination of an underlying ETF, it will be able to invest instead in shares of an alternate ETF tracking the same market index or another market index with the same general market, there is no guarantee that shares of an alternate ETF would be available for investment at that time. To the extent the Trust invests in a sector product, the Fund is subject to the risks associated with that sector.

Certain ETFs that invest in commodities or commodity-related instruments may give rise to income that is not "qualifying income" for purposes of the 90% gross income test for qualification as a RIC for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The Trust's investment in



such an ETF may bear on or be limited by the Trust's intention to qualify as a RIC. Further, certain ETFs that invest in commodities or certain commodity-related derivatives may qualify as "qualified publicly traded partnerships" ("QPTPs") for U.S. federal income tax purposes with the net income generated thereon treated as qualifying income for purposes of this 90% gross income test. Under the tax diversification requirements applicable to RICs, the Trust's investment in one or more entities qualifying as QPTPs may not exceed 25% of the Fund's total assets at the end of each quarter of each taxable year.

#### **PREFERRED SHARE RISK**

Preferred share risk is the risk associated with the issuance of preferred shares to leverage the common shares. If preferred shares are issued, the NAV and market value of the common shares will be more volatile, and the yield to the holders of common shares will tend to fluctuate with changes in the shorter-term dividend rates on the preferred shares. The Trust will pay (and

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the holders of common shares will bear) all costs and expenses relating to the issuance and ongoing maintenance of the preferred shares, including higher advisory fees. Accordingly, the issuance of preferred shares may not result in a higher yield or return to the holders of the common shares. If the dividend rate and other costs of the preferred shares approach the net rate of return on the Trust's investment portfolio, the benefit of leverage to the holders of the common shares would be reduced. If the dividend rate and other costs of the preferred shares exceed the net rate of return on the Trust's investment portfolio, the leverage will result in a lower rate of return to the holders of common shares than if the Trust had not issued preferred shares.

Similarly, any decline in the NAV of the Trust's investments will be borne entirely by the holders of common shares. Therefore, if the market value of the Trust's investment portfolio declines, the leverage will result in a greater decrease in NAV to the holders of common shares than if the Trust were not leveraged. This greater NAV decrease will also tend to cause a greater decline in the market price for the common shares. The Trust might be in danger of failing to maintain the required asset coverage of the preferred shares or of losing its ratings on the preferred shares or, in an extreme case, the Trust's current investment income might not be sufficient to meet the dividend requirements on the preferred shares. In order to counteract such an event, the Trust might need to liquidate investments in order to fund a redemption of some or all of the preferred shares. Liquidation at times of low prices may result in capital loss and may reduce returns to the holders of common shares.

If preferred shares are issued, holders of preferred shares may have differing interests than holders of common shares and holders of preferred shares may at times have disproportionate influence over the Trust's affairs. If preferred shares are issued, holders of preferred shares, voting separately as a single class, would have the right to elect two members of the Board at all times. The remaining members of the Board would be elected by holders of common shares and preferred shares, voting as a single class. The Investment Company Act requires that, in addition to any approval by shareholders that might otherwise be required, the approval of the holders of a majority of any outstanding preferred shares, voting separately as a class, would be required to (i) adopt any plan of reorganization that would adversely affect the preferred shares and (ii) take any action requiring a vote of security holders under Section 13(a) of the Investment Company Act, including, among other things, changes in the Trust's subclassification as a closed-end investment company or changes in its fundamental investment restrictions.

If the Trust issues preferred shares, the Trust would likely seek a credit rating on the preferred shares from one or more nationally recognized statistical rating organizations. The Trust expects that, at anytime when preferred shares were outstanding, the composition of its investment portfolio would reflect guidelines established by any rating agencies, including for example, asset coverage requirements that are more restrictive than those under the Investment Company Act, restrictions on certain portfolio investments and investment practices, requirements that the Trust maintain a portion of its assets in higher rated debt securities and certain mandatory redemption requirements relating to the preferred shares. No assurance can be given that the guidelines actually imposed with respect to preferred shares by rating agencies would be more or less restrictive than these examples. These restrictions may require the Trust to alter its investment strategy and invest in different types of assets some of which may be lower yielding or result in less opportunities for capital appreciation. No minimum rating is required for the issuance of preferred shares by the Trust.

## **COMMON STOCK RISK**

The Trust may invest in common stock. Although investments in common stock have historically generated higher average total returns than fixed income securities over the long-term, investments in common stock also have historically experienced significantly more volatility in those returns. Therefore, the Trust's investments in common stock could result in worse performance than would be the case had the Trust been invested solely in debt securities. An adverse event, such as an unfavorable earnings report, may depress the value of a particular investment in common stock held by the Trust. Also, the price of common stock is sensitive to general movements in the stock market and a drop in the stock market may depress the price of common stock to which the Trust has exposure. Common stock prices fluctuate for several reasons, including changes in investors' perceptions of the financial condition of an issuer or the general condition of the relevant stock market, or when political or economic events affecting an issuer occur. In addition, common stock prices may be particularly sensitive to rising interest rates, as the cost of capital rises and borrowing costs increase.

## **DIVIDEND RISK**

Dividends on common stock are not fixed but are declared at the discretion of an issuer's board of directors. There is no guarantee that the issuers of the common stock in which the Trust invests will declare dividends in the future or that, if declared, the dividends will remain at current levels or increase over time.

## **SMALL AND MID-CAP SECURITIES RISK**

The Trust may invest in companies with small or medium-sized capitalizations. Securities issued by small and medium-sized companies can be more volatile than, and perform differently from, larger company securities. There may be less trading in a small or medium-sized company's securities, which means that buy and sell transactions in those securities could have a larger impact on the

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security's price than is the case with larger company securities. Small or medium-sized companies may have fewer business lines; changes in any one line of business, therefore, may have a greater impact on a small or medium-sized company's security price than is the case for a larger company. In addition, small or medium-sized company securities may not be well known to the investing public.

## **NON-U.S. SECURITIES RISK**

The Trust may invest without limit in Non-U.S. Securities. Investing in Non-U.S. Securities involves certain risks not involved in domestic investments, including, but not limited to: (i) fluctuations in foreign exchange rates; (ii) future foreign economic, financial, political and social developments; (iii) different legal systems; (iv) the possible imposition of exchange controls or other foreign governmental laws or restrictions; (v) lower trading volume; (vi) much greater price volatility and illiquidity of certain non-U.S. securities markets; (vii) different trading and settlement practices; (viii) less governmental supervision; (ix) changes in currency exchange rates; (x) high and volatile rates of inflation; (xi) fluctuating interest rates; (xii) less publicly available information; and (xiii) different accounting, auditing and financial recordkeeping standards and requirements. In addition, certain investments in Non-U.S. Securities may be subject to foreign withholding or other taxes on interest, dividends, capital gains or other income. Those taxes will reduce the Trust's yield on any such securities. See "Tax Matters" below.

Certain countries in which the Trust may invest, especially emerging market countries, historically have experienced, and may continue to experience, high rates of inflation, high interest rates, exchange rate fluctuations, large amounts of external debt, balance of payments and trade difficulties and extreme poverty and unemployment. Many of these countries are also characterized by political uncertainty and instability. These risks are especially evident in the Middle East and Africa. The cost of servicing external debt will generally be adversely affected by rising international interest rates because many external debt obligations bear interest at rates which are adjusted based upon international interest rates. In addition, with respect to certain foreign countries, there is a risk of: (i) the possibility of expropriation or nationalization of assets; (ii) confiscatory taxation; (iii) difficulty in obtaining or enforcing a court judgment; (iv) economic, political or social instability; and (v) diplomatic developments that could affect investments in those countries. In addition, individual foreign economies may differ favorably or unfavorably from the U.S. economy in such respects as: (i) growth of gross domestic product; (ii) rates of inflation; (iii) capital reinvestment; (iv) resources; (v) self-sufficiency; and (vi) balance of payments position.

As a result of these potential risks, the Investment Adviser may determine that, notwithstanding otherwise favorable investment criteria, it may not be practicable or appropriate to invest in a particular country. The Trust may invest in countries in which foreign investors, including the Investment Adviser, have had no or limited prior experience.

## **EMERGING MARKETS RISK**

The Trust currently does not expect to invest more than 15%, but may invest up to 20% of its total assets in securities of issuers based in emerging markets. An emerging market country is any country having an economy and market that are (or would be) considered by the World Bank to be emerging or developing or is listed in the Morgan Stanley Capital International Emerging Markets Index. Emerging market countries are located in regions such as Asia, Latin America, the Middle East, Southern Europe, Eastern Europe (including the former republics of the Soviet Union and the Eastern Bloc) and Africa. Investing in securities of issuers based in emerging markets entails all of the risks of investing in securities of non-U.S. issuers, but to a heightened degree. These heightened risks include: (i) greater risks of expropriation, confiscatory taxation, nationalization, and less social, political and economic stability; (ii) the smaller size of the markets for such securities and a lower volume of trading, resulting in lack of liquidity and in price volatility; and (iii) certain national policies which may restrict the Trust's investment opportunities including restrictions on investing in issuers or industries deemed sensitive to relevant national interests.

## **FOREIGN CURRENCY RISK**

Because the Trust may invest in securities denominated or quoted in currencies other than the U.S. dollar, changes in foreign currency exchange rates may affect the value of securities owned by the Trust, the unrealized appreciation or depreciation of investments and gains on and income from investments. Currencies of certain countries may be volatile and therefore may affect the value of securities denominated in such currencies, which means that the Trust's NAV could decline as a result of changes in the exchange rates between foreign currencies and the U.S. dollar. These risks often are heightened for investments in smaller or emerging capital markets. In addition, the Trust may enter into foreign currency transactions in an attempt to enhance total return, which may further expose the Trust to the risks of foreign currency movements and other risks. The use of foreign currency transactions can result in the Trust incurring losses as a result of the imposition of exchange controls, suspension of settlements or the inability of the Trust to deliver or receive a specified currency.



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### **INVESTMENTS IN UNSEASONED COMPANIES**

The Trust may invest in the securities of less seasoned companies. These investments may present greater opportunities for growth, but also involve greater risks than customarily are associated with investments in securities of more established companies. Some of the companies in which the Trust may invest will be start-up companies that may have insubstantial operational or earnings history or may have limited products, markets, financial resources or management depth. Some may also be emerging companies at the research and development stage with no products or technologies to market or approved for marketing. Securities of emerging companies may lack an active secondary market and may be subject to more abrupt or erratic price movements than securities of larger, more established companies or stock market averages in general. Competitors of certain companies may have substantially greater financial resources than many of the companies in which the Trust may invest.

### **INITIAL PUBLIC OFFERINGS RISK**

The Trust may invest in shares of companies through IPOs. IPOs and companies that have recently gone public have the potential to produce substantial gains for the Trust. However, the Trust may not have access to or invest in IPOs that are ultimately profitable for investors. The investment performance of the Trust during periods when it is unable to invest significantly or at all in IPOs may be lower than during periods when the Trust is able to do so. Securities issued in IPOs are subject to many of the same risks as investing in companies with smaller market capitalizations. Securities issued in IPOs have no trading history, and information about the companies may be available for limited periods of time. In addition, the prices of securities sold in IPOs may be highly volatile or may decline shortly after the IPO.

### **SECURITIES LENDING RISK**

Under the Trust's current securities lending agreement, the Trust may lend its portfolio securities (up to a maximum of one-third of its total assets) to financial institutions on an approved list of borrowers. Securities lending is subject to the risk that loaned securities may not be available to the Trust on a timely basis and the Trust may, therefore, lose the opportunity to sell the securities at a desirable price. Any loss in the market price of securities loaned by the Trust that occurs during the term of the loan would be borne by the Trust and would adversely affect the Trust's performance. Also, there may be delays in recovery, or no recovery, of securities loaned should the borrower of the securities fail financially while the loan is outstanding. In addition, voting rights with respect to loaned securities generally pass to the borrower. The Trust, as the lender, retains the right to recall the loans and obtain the return of the securities loaned in order to vote the loaned securities. However, in many circumstances the Trust may be unable to recall the securities in time to vote or may determine that the benefits to the Trust of voting are outweighed by the indirect or direct costs of such a recall. In these circumstances, loaned securities may be voted or not voted in a manner adverse to the best interests of the Trust. All of the aforementioned risks may be greater for Non-U.S. Securities.

These lending transactions must be fully collateralized at all times, but involve some credit risk to the Trust if the borrower or the party (if any) guaranteeing the loan should default on its obligation and the Trust is delayed in or prevented from recovering the collateral. In addition, any income or gains and losses from investing and reinvesting any cash collateral delivered by a borrower pursuant to a loan are generally at the Trust's risk, and to the extent any such losses reduce the amount of cash below the amount required to be returned to the borrower upon the termination of any loan, the Trust may be required to pay or cause to be paid to such borrower or another entity an amount equal to such shortfall in cash. The Trust generally accepts cash (U.S. and foreign currency), securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government or its agencies or instrumentalities, or sovereign debt as collateral for these lending transactions, although in the future, it may accept other types of collateral.

### **RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH OPTIONS ON SECURITIES**

There are several risks associated with transactions in options on securities, such as exchange-listed, over-the-counter and index options. For example, there are significant differences between the securities and options markets that could result in an imperfect correlation between these markets, causing a given transaction not to achieve its objectives. A decision as to whether, when and how to use options involves the exercise of skill and judgment, and even a well-conceived transaction may be unsuccessful to some degree because of market behavior or unexpected events.

As the writer of a covered call option, the Trust forgoes, during the option's life, the opportunity to profit from increases in the market value of the security covering the call option above the sum of the premium and the strike price of the call, but has retained the risk of loss should the price of the underlying security decline. As the Trust writes covered calls over more of its portfolio, its ability to benefit from capital appreciation becomes more limited. The writer of an option has no control over the time when it may be required to

fulfill its obligation as a writer of the option. Once an option writer has received an exercise notice, it cannot effect a closing purchase transaction in order to terminate its obligation under the option and must deliver the underlying security at the exercise price.

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When the Trust writes covered put options, it bears the risk of loss if the value of the underlying stock declines below the exercise price minus the put premium. If the option is exercised, the Trust could incur a loss if it is required to purchase the stock underlying the put option at a price greater than the market price of the stock at the time of exercise plus the put premium the Trust received when it wrote the option. While the Trust's potential gain in writing a covered put option is limited to distributions earned on the liquid assets securing the put option plus the premium received from the purchaser of the put option, the Trust risks a loss equal to the entire exercise price of the option minus the put premium.

**EXCHANGE-LISTED OPTION RISKS**

A liquid market may not exist when the Trust seeks to close out an option position on an options exchange. Reasons for the absence of a liquid secondary market on an exchange include the following: (i) there may be insufficient trading interest in certain options; (ii) restrictions may be imposed by an exchange on opening transactions or closing transactions or both; (iii) trading halts, suspensions or other restrictions may be imposed with respect to particular classes or series of options; (iv) unusual or unforeseen circumstances may interrupt normal operations on an exchange; (v) the facilities of an exchange or the OCC may not at all times be adequate to handle current trading volume; or (vi) one or more exchanges could, for economic or other reasons, decide or be compelled at some future date to discontinue the trading of options (or a particular class or series of options). If trading were discontinued, the secondary market on that exchange (or in that class or series of options) would cease to exist. However, outstanding options on that exchange that had been issued by the OCC as a result of trades on that exchange would continue to be exercisable in accordance with their terms. If the Trust were unable to close out a covered call option that it had written on a security, it would not be able to sell the underlying security unless the option expired without exercise.

The hours of trading for options on an exchange may not conform to the hours during which the underlying securities are traded. To the extent that the options markets close before the markets for the underlying securities, significant price and rate movements can take place in the underlying markets that cannot be reflected in the options markets. Call options are marked to market daily, and their value will be affected by changes in the value and dividend rates of the underlying common shares, an increase in interest rates, changes in the actual or perceived volatility of the stock market and the underlying common shares and the remaining time to the options' expiration. Additionally, the exercise price of an option may be adjusted downward before the option's expiration as a result of the occurrence of certain corporate events affecting the underlying equity security, such as extraordinary dividends, stock splits, merger or other extraordinary distributions or events. A reduction in the exercise price of a call option would reduce the Trust's capital appreciation potential on the underlying security.

**OVER-THE-COUNTER OPTION RISK**

The Trust may purchase or sell/write unlisted ("OTC" or "over-the-counter") options. Options entered into by the Trust with respect to Non-U.S. Securities, indices or sectors generally will be OTC options. OTC options differ from exchange-listed options in that they are two-party contracts, with exercise price, premium and other terms negotiated between buyer and seller, and generally do not have as much market liquidity as exchange-listed options. The counterparties to these transactions typically will be major international banks, broker-dealers and financial institutions. The Trust may be required to treat as illiquid those securities being used to cover certain written OTC options. The OTC options written by the Trust will not be issued, guaranteed or cleared by the OCC. In addition, the Trust's ability to terminate the OTC options may be more limited than with exchange-traded options. Banks, broker-dealers or other financial institutions participating in such transactions may fail to settle a transaction in accordance with the terms of the option as written. In the event of default or insolvency of the counterparty, the Trust may be unable to liquidate an OTC option position.

**INDEX OPTION RISK**

The Trust may purchase or sell/write index put and call options from time to time. The purchaser of an index put option has the right to any depreciation in the value of the index below the exercise price of the option on or before the expiration date. The purchaser of an index call option has the right to any appreciation in the value of the index over the exercise price of the option on or before the expiration date. Because the exercise of an index option is settled in cash, sellers of index call options, such as the Trust, cannot provide in advance for their potential settlement obligations by acquiring and holding the underlying securities. The Trust will lose money if it is required to pay the purchaser of an index option the difference between the cash value of the index on which the option was written and the exercise price and such difference is greater than the premium received by the Trust for writing the option. The value of index options written by the Trust, which will be priced daily, will be affected by changes in the value and dividend rates of the underlying common shares in the respective index, changes in the actual or perceived volatility of the stock market and the remaining time to the options' expiration. The value of the index options also may be adversely affected if the market for the index options becomes less liquid or smaller. Distributions paid by the Trust on its common shares may be derived in part from the net index option premiums it receives



from selling index put and call options, less the cost of paying settlement amounts to purchasers of the options that exercise their options. Net index option premiums can vary widely over the short term and long term.

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Payment of interest and repayment of principal on asset-backed securities is largely dependent upon the cash flows generated by the assets backing the securities and, in certain cases, supported by letters of credit, surety bonds or other credit enhancements. Asset-backed security values may also be affected by the creditworthiness of the servicing agent for the pool, the originator of the loans or receivables and any entities providing the credit enhancement. In addition, the underlying assets are subject to prepayments that shorten the securities' weighted average maturity and may lower their return.

**MORTGAGE-BACKED SECURITIES RISK**

A mortgage-backed security, which represents an interest in a pool of assets such as mortgage loans, will mature once all the mortgages in the pool mature or are prepaid. Therefore, mortgage-backed securities do not have a fixed maturity, and their expected maturities may vary when interest rates rise or fall.

When interest rates fall, homeowners are more likely to prepay their mortgage loans. An increased rate of prepayments on the Trust's mortgage-backed securities will result in an unforeseen loss of interest income to the Trust, as the Trust may be required to reinvest assets at a lower interest rate. Because prepayments increase when interest rates fall, the price of mortgage-backed securities does not increase as much as that of other fixed income securities when interest rates fall.

When interest rates rise, homeowners are less likely to prepay their mortgage loans. A decreased rate of prepayments lengthens the expected maturity of a mortgage-backed security. Therefore, the prices of mortgage-backed securities may decrease more than prices of other fixed income securities when interest rates rise.

Timely payment of interest and principal of mortgage-backed securities may be supported by various forms of private insurance or guarantees, including individual loan, title, pool and hazard insurance purchased or held by the issuer. Private insurers may not, however, be able to meet their obligations under the policies. An unexpectedly high rate of defaults on the mortgages held by a mortgage pool may adversely affect the value of a mortgage-backed security and could result in losses to the Trust. The risk of such defaults is generally higher in the case of mortgage pools that include sub-prime mortgages (which are typically granted to individuals with poor credit histories who, as a result of their deficient credit ratings, would not be able to qualify for conventional mortgages), "Alt-A" mortgages (typically characterized by borrowers with less than full documentation, lower credit scores or higher loan-to-value ratios), "interest only" mortgages (which permit interest-only payments for a specified period before payment of principal is required) and/or "option ARM" mortgages (which are typically 30-year adjustable rate mortgages that initially offer a borrower four monthly payment options: a specified minimum payment, an interest-only payment, a 15-year fully amortizing payment and a 30-year fully amortizing payment). Some of these types of mortgages may be subject to "negative amortization," which occurs whenever the loan payment for any period is less than the interest charged over that period so that the outstanding principal balance of the loan increases. The types of mortgages discussed above are made to borrowers with weakened credit histories or with a lower capacity to make timely payments on their mortgages, and are subject to a greater risk of default than "prime" mortgages. Market factors adversely affecting mortgage loan repayments may include a general economic downturn, high unemployment, a general slowdown in the real estate market, a drop in the market prices of real estate, or an increase in interest rates resulting in higher mortgage payments by holders of adjustable rate mortgages. To the extent the Trust invests in securities directly or indirectly backed by these types of mortgages, it will be subject to greater risks.

Credit ratings on mortgage-backed securities are subject to the same limitations that apply to credit ratings generally. See "Limitations of Credit Ratings" in this Prospectus. In the past, the market for mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities has experienced high volatility and a lack of liquidity. As a result, the value of many of these securities has significantly declined. These markets may not become more liquid or less volatile, and it is possible that the value of these securities could decline further.

Mortgage-backed securities may not be readily marketable. To the extent any of these securities are not readily marketable in the judgment of the Investment Adviser, the Trust's restrictions on investments in illiquid instruments will apply.

**RISKS OF INVESTING IN ROYALTY SECURITIES**

The Trust may invest in debt and/or equity royalty securities. The risks of investing in these securities will include the risks of investing in the underlying industry. In addition, royalty securities are currently not widely recognized or understood and the Trust may not be able to sell the securities when it wants to do so. Under certain market conditions, these securities may also become highly illiquid. Each security will include different risk factors specific to that transaction. Risk factors of royalty securities generally include

risks relating to the products associated with the royalty stream, risks relating to the license agreement, risks relating to the structure of the financing and risks relating to bankruptcy or reorganization proceedings.

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The Trust may enter into repurchase agreements up to a maximum of 33 1/3% of its total assets. Repurchase agreements may be considered loans to the seller, collateralized by the underlying securities. If the seller does not pay the Trust the agreed-upon sum on the repurchase date, the Trust is entitled to sell the underlying collateral. If the value of the collateral declines after the agreement is entered into, and if the seller defaults under a repurchase agreement when the value of the underlying collateral is less than the repurchase price, the Trust could incur a loss of both principal and interest. If the seller were to be subject to a federal bankruptcy proceeding, the ability of the Trust to liquidate the collateral could be delayed or impaired because of certain provisions of the bankruptcy laws.

**DERIVATIVES RISK**

The Trust may engage in derivative transactions for hedging and speculative purposes or to enhance total return, including engaging in transactions such as options, futures, swaps, foreign currency transactions, forward foreign currency contracts, currency swaps or options on currency futures and other derivatives transactions (collectively, “Derivative Transactions”). The Trust may use any or all types of Derivative Transactions which it is authorized to use at any time; no particular strategy will dictate the use of one type of Derivative Transaction rather than another, as use of any authorized Derivative Transaction will be a function of numerous variables, including market conditions. Derivatives Risk is a combination of several risks, including the risks that: (1) an investment in a derivative instrument may not correlate well with the performance of the securities or asset class to which the Trust seeks exposure, (2) derivative contracts, including options, may expire worthless and the use of derivatives may result in losses to the Trust, (3) a derivative instrument entailing leverage may result in a loss greater than the principal amount invested, (4) derivatives not traded on an exchange may be subject to credit risk, for example, if the counterparty does not meet its obligations (see also “Counterparty Risk”), and (5) derivatives not traded on an exchange may be subject to liquidity risk and the related risk that the instrument is difficult or impossible to value accurately. Derivatives are financial contracts whose value depends on, or is derived from, the value of underlying assets, reference rates, or indices. Derivatives involve the risk that changes in their value may not move as expected relative to the value of the assets, rates, or indices they are designed to track. Derivatives include futures, non-U.S. currency contracts, swap contracts, warrants, and options contracts. Derivatives may relate to securities, interest rates, currencies or currency exchange rates, inflation rates, commodities, and indices.

If a put or call option purchased by the Trust is not sold when it has remaining value, and if the market price of the underlying security remains equal to or greater than the exercise price (in the case of a put), or remains less than or equal to the exercise price (in the case of a call), the Trust will lose its entire investment in the option.

Also, where a put or call option on a particular security is purchased to hedge against price movements in a related security, the price of the put or call option may move more or less than the price of the related security. If restrictions on exercise were imposed, the Trust might be unable to exercise an option it had purchased. If the Trust were unable to close out an option that it had purchased on a security, it would have to exercise the option in order to realize any profit or the option may expire worthless.

The Trust’s Derivative Transactions are generally subject to numerous special and complex tax rules. Because the tax rules applicable to such transactions may be uncertain under current law, an adverse determination or future IRS guidance with respect to these rules (which determination or guidance could be retroactive) may affect whether the Trust has made sufficient distributions, and otherwise satisfied the relevant requirements, to maintain its qualification as a RIC and avoid Trust-level U.S. federal income or excise taxes. See “Risks Relating to the Trust’s Tax Status” below for more information about the risks of a failure to qualify as a RIC. The Trust’s investments in derivative instruments may be limited by the RIC qualification requirements or other U.S. federal income tax considerations.

In addition, the Commission recently proposed a rule under the Investment Company Act regulating the use by registered investment companies of derivatives and many related instruments. That rule, if adopted as proposed, would, among other things, restrict the Trust’s ability to engage in derivatives transactions, and may so increase the cost of derivatives transactions that the Trust would be unable to implement its investment strategy.

**ADDITIONAL RISK FACTORS IN CLEARED DERIVATIVES TRANSACTIONS**

Under recently adopted rules and regulations, transactions in some types of swaps (including interest rate swaps and credit default swaps on North American and European indices) are required to be centrally cleared. In a transaction involving those swaps (“cleared derivatives”), the Trust’s counterparty is a clearing house, rather than a bank or broker. Since the Trust is not a member of a clearing house and only members of a clearing house (a “clearing member”) can participate directly in the clearing house, the Trust



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will hold cleared derivatives through accounts at a clearing member. In cleared derivatives positions, the Trust will make payments (including margin payments) to and receive payments from a clearing house through its accounts at a clearing member. A clearing member guarantees performance of its clients' obligations to the clearing house.

In many ways, cleared derivative arrangements are less favorable to mutual funds than bilateral arrangements. For example, the Trust may be required to provide more margin for cleared derivatives positions than for bilateral derivatives positions. Also, in contrast to a bilateral derivatives position, following a period of notice to the Trust, a clearing member generally can require termination of an existing cleared derivatives position at any time or an increase in margin requirements above the margin that the clearing member required at the beginning of a transaction. Clearing houses also have broad rights to increase margin requirements for existing positions or to terminate those positions at any time. Any increase in margin requirements or termination of existing cleared derivatives positions by the clearing member or the clearing house could interfere with the ability of the Trust to pursue its investment strategy. Further, any increase in margin requirements by a clearing member could expose the Trust to greater credit risk to its clearing member because margin for cleared derivatives positions in excess of a clearing house's margin requirements typically is held by the clearing member. Also, the Trust is subject to risk if it enters into a derivatives transaction that is required to be cleared (or that the Investment Adviser expects to be cleared), and no clearing member is willing or able to clear the transaction on the Trust's behalf. While the documentation in place between the Trust and its clearing member generally provides that the clearing member will accept for clearing all cleared derivatives transactions that are within credit limits (specified in advance) for the Trust, the Trust is still subject to the risk that no clearing member will be willing or able to clear a transaction. In those cases, the position might have to be terminated, and the Trust could lose some or all of the benefit of the position, including loss of an increase in the value of the position and/or loss of hedging protection. In addition, the documentation governing the relationship between the Trust and a clearing member is drafted by the clearing member and generally is less favorable to the Trust than typical bilateral derivatives documentation. For example, documentation relating to cleared derivatives generally includes a one-way indemnity by the Trust in favor of the clearing member for losses the clearing member incurs as the Trust's clearing member and typically does not provide the Trust any remedies if the clearing member defaults or becomes insolvent. While futures contracts entail similar risks, the risks likely are more pronounced for cleared swaps due to their more limited liquidity and market history.

Some types of cleared derivatives are required to be executed on an exchange or on a swap execution facility. A swap execution facility is a trading platform where multiple market participants can execute derivatives by accepting bids and offers made by multiple other participants in the platform. While this execution requirement is designed to increase transparency and liquidity in the cleared derivatives market, trading on a swap execution facility can create additional costs and risks for the Trust. For example, swap execution facilities typically charge fees, and if the Trust executes derivatives on a swap execution facility through a broker intermediary, the intermediary may impose fees as well. Also, the Trust may indemnify a swap execution facility, or a broker intermediary who executes cleared derivatives on a swap execution facility on the Trust's behalf, against any losses or costs that may be incurred as a result of the Trust's transactions on the swap execution facility.

These and other new rules and regulations could, among other things, further restrict the Trust's ability to engage in, or increase the cost to the Trust of, derivatives transactions, for example, by making some types of derivatives no longer available to the Trust, increasing margin or capital requirements, or otherwise limiting liquidity or increasing transaction costs. These regulations are new and evolving, so their potential impact on the Trust and the financial system are not yet known. While the new regulations and central clearing of some derivatives transactions are designed to reduce systemic risk (i.e., the risk that the interdependence of large derivatives dealers could cause them to suffer liquidity, solvency or other challenges simultaneously), there is no assurance that the new clearing mechanisms will achieve that result, and in the meantime, as noted above, central clearing and related requirements expose the Trust to new kinds of risks and costs.

The above discussion and under "Derivatives Risks" relates to the Trust's proposed use of certain types of derivatives currently available. However, the Trust is not limited to the transactions described above. In addition, the relevant markets and related regulations are constantly changing and, in the future, the Trust may use derivatives not currently available or widely in use.

## **REGULATORY RISK**

Legal, tax and regulatory changes could occur and may adversely affect the Trust and its ability to pursue its investment strategies and/or increase the costs of implementing such strategies. New (or revised) laws or regulations may be imposed by the Commission, the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the "CFTC"), the IRS, the U.S. Federal Reserve or other banking regulators, other governmental regulatory authorities or self-regulatory organizations that supervise the financial markets that could adversely affect the Trust. In particular, these agencies are empowered to promulgate a variety of new rules pursuant to financial reform legislation in the United States. The Trust also may be adversely affected by changes in the enforcement or interpretation of existing statutes and rules by these governmental regulatory authorities or self-regulatory organizations.

To the extent that legislation or state or federal regulators impose additional requirements or restrictions with respect to the ability of financial institutions to make loans in connection with highly leveraged transactions, the availability of senior loan interests for investment by the Trust may be adversely affected. To the extent that legislation or state or federal regulators impose additional requirements or restrictions with respect to the ability of the Trust to invest in the assets of distressed companies, the availability of distressed company interests for investment by the Trust may be adversely affected. In addition, such requirements or restrictions may reduce or eliminate sources of financing for affected borrowers. Further, to the extent that legislation or federal or state regulators require such institutions to dispose of senior loan interests relating to highly leveraged transactions or subject such senior loan interests to increased regulatory scrutiny, such financial institutions may determine to sell senior loan interests in a manner that results in a price that, in the opinion of the Investment Adviser, is not indicative of fair value. Were the Trust to attempt to sell a senior loan interest at a time when a financial institution was engaging in such a sale with respect to the senior loan interest, the price at which the Trust could consummate such a sale might be adversely affected.

#### **REGULATORY RISK – COMMODITY POOL OPERATOR**

The Trust is sponsored by a person who has claimed an exclusion from the definition of the term “commodity pool operator” under the CEA pursuant to Rule 4.5 under the CEA; therefore, the Investment Adviser (with respect to the Trust) is not subject to registration or regulation as a “commodity pool operator” under the CEA. To remain eligible for the exclusion, the Trust will be limited in its ability to use certain derivatives instruments regulated under the CEA (“commodity interests”), including futures, swaps and options on futures. In the event that the Trust’s investments in commodity interests exceed a certain threshold, the Investment Adviser may be required to register as a “commodity pool operator” and/or “commodity trading advisor” with the CFTC with respect to the Trust. The Investment Adviser’s eligibility to claim the exclusion with respect to the Trust will be based upon the level and scope of the Trust’s investment in commodity interests, the purposes of such investments and the manner in which the Trust holds out its use of commodity interests. For example, CFTC Rule 4.5 requires a fund with respect to which the sponsor is claiming the exclusion to, among other things, satisfy one of the two following trading thresholds: (i) the aggregate initial margin and premiums

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required to establish positions in commodity interests cannot exceed 5% of the liquidation value of a fund's portfolio, after taking into account unrealized profits and unrealized losses; or (ii) the aggregate net notional value of commodity interests not used solely for "bona fide hedging purposes," determined at the time the most recent position was established, cannot generally exceed 100% of the liquidation value of a fund's portfolio, after taking into account unrealized profits and unrealized losses on any such positions it has entered into. The Trust currently intends to operate in a manner that would permit the Investment Adviser to continue to claim the exclusion under Rule 4.5, which may adversely affect the Investment Adviser's ability to manage the Trust under certain market conditions and may adversely affect the Trust's total return. In the event the Investment Adviser becomes unable to rely on the exclusion in Rule 4.5 and is required to register with the CFTC as a commodity pool operator, the Trust's expenses may increase, adversely affecting the Trust's total return.

## **COUNTERPARTY RISK**

The Trust will be subject to credit risk with respect to the counterparties to the derivative contracts purchased or sold by the Trust. Recently, several broker-dealers and other financial institutions have experienced extreme financial difficulty, sometimes resulting in bankruptcy of the institution. Although the Investment Adviser monitors the creditworthiness of the Trust's counterparties, there can be no assurance that the Trust's counterparties will not experience similar difficulties, possibly resulting in losses to the Trust. If a counterparty becomes bankrupt, or otherwise fails to perform its obligations under a derivative contract due to financial difficulties, the Trust may experience significant delays in obtaining any recovery under the derivative contract in a bankruptcy or other reorganization proceeding. The Trust may obtain only a limited recovery or may obtain no recovery in such circumstances. Material exposure to a single or small group of counterparties increases the Trust's counterparty risk.

## **CREDIT DEFAULT SWAPS RISK**

The Trust may enter into credit default swap agreements, which may have as reference obligations one or more debt securities or an index of such securities. In a credit default swap, one party (the "protection buyer") is obligated to pay the other party (the "protection seller") a stream of payments over the term of the contract, provided that no credit event, such as a default or, in some instances, a downgrade in credit rating, occurs on the reference obligation. If a credit event occurs, the protection seller must generally pay the protection buyer the "par value" (the agreed-upon notional value) of the referenced debt obligation in exchange for an equal face amount of deliverable reference obligations.

The Trust may be either the protection buyer or protection seller in a credit default swap. If the Trust is a protection buyer, the Trust would pay the counterparty a periodic stream of payments over the term of the contract and would not recover any of those payments if no credit event were to occur. However, if a credit event occurs, the Trust as a protection buyer has the right to deliver the referenced debt obligations or a specified amount of cash, depending upon the terms of the swap, and receive the par value of such debt obligations from the counterparty protection seller. As a protection seller, the Trust would receive fixed payments throughout the term of the contract if no credit event occurs. If a credit event occurs, however, the value of the obligation received by the Trust (e.g., bonds which defaulted), plus the periodic payments previously received, may be less than the par value of the obligation, or cash received, resulting in a loss to the protection seller. Furthermore, the Trust as a protection seller would effectively add leverage to its portfolio because it will have investment exposure to the notional amount of the swap.

Credit default swap agreements are subject to greater risk than a direct investment in the reference obligation. Like all swap agreements, credit default swaps are subject to liquidity, credit and counterparty risks. In addition, collateral posting requirements are individually negotiated and there is no regulatory requirement that a counterparty post collateral to secure its obligations under a credit default swap. Furthermore, there is no requirement that a party be informed in advance when a credit default swap agreement is sold. Accordingly, the Trust may have difficulty identifying the party responsible for payment of its claims. The notional value of credit default swaps with respect to a particular investment is often larger than the total par value of such investment outstanding and, in event of a default, there may be difficulties in making the required deliveries of the reference investments, possibly delaying payments.

In the past, the market for credit default swaps has become more volatile as the creditworthiness of certain counterparties has been questioned and/or downgraded. If a counterparty's credit becomes significantly impaired, multiple requests for collateral posting in a short period of time could increase the risk that the Trust may not receive adequate collateral. There is no readily available market for trading credit default swaps. The Trust generally may exit its obligations under a credit default swap only by terminating the contract and paying applicable breakage fees, or by entering into an offsetting credit default swap position, which may cause the Trust to incur more losses.

In addition, the Trust may invest in publicly or privately issued interests in investment pools whose underlying assets are credit default, credit-linked, interest rate, currency exchange, equity-linked or other types of swap contracts and related underlying securities



or securities loan agreements. The pools' investment results may be designed to correspond generally to the performance of a specified securities index or "basket" of securities, sometimes a single security.

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These types of pools are often used to gain exposure to multiple securities with a smaller investment than would be required to invest directly in the individual securities. They may also be used to gain exposure to foreign securities markets without investing in the foreign securities themselves or the relevant foreign market. To the extent that the Trust invests in pools of swaps and related underlying securities or securities loan agreements whose return corresponds to the performance of a foreign securities index or one or more foreign securities, investing in such pools will involve risks similar to the risks of investing in foreign securities. See “Foreign Securities” below. In addition to the risks associated with investing in swaps generally, the Trust bears the risks and costs generally associated with investing in pooled investment vehicles, such as paying the fees and expenses of the pool and the risk that the pool or the operator of the pool may default on its obligations to the holder of interests in the pool, such as the Trust. Interests in privately offered investment pools of swaps may be considered illiquid or deemed liquid, subject to the Trust’s restrictions on investments in illiquid securities.

## **MARKET RISK GENERALLY**

The profitability of a significant portion of the Trust’s investment program depends to a great extent upon correctly assessing the future course of the price movements of securities and other investments and the movements of interest rates. The Investment Adviser may not be able to predict accurately these price and interest rate movements. With respect to certain investment strategies the Trust utilizes, there is a high degree of market risk.

## **REINVESTMENT RISK**

The Trust reinvests the cash flows received from a security. The additional income from such reinvestment, sometimes called interest-on-interest, is reliant on the prevailing interest rate levels at the time of reinvestment. There is a risk that the interest rate at which interim cash flows can be reinvested will fall. Reinvestment risk is greater for longer holding periods and for securities with large, early cash flows such as high-coupon bonds. Reinvestment risk also applies generally to the reinvestment of the proceeds the Trust receives upon the maturity or sale of a portfolio security.

## **TIMING RISK**

Many agency, corporate and municipal bonds, and most mortgage-backed securities, contain a provision that allows the issuer to “call” all or part of the issue before the bond’s maturity date — often after 5 or 10 years. The issuer usually retains the right to refinance the bond in the future if market interest rates decline below the coupon rate. There are three disadvantages to the call provision. First, the cash flow pattern of a callable bond is not known with certainty. Second, because an issuer is more likely to call the bonds when interest rates have dropped, the Trust is exposed to reinvestment risk, *i.e.*, the Trust may have to reinvest at lower interest rates the proceeds received when the bond is called. Finally, the capital appreciation potential of a bond will be reduced because the price of a callable bond may not rise much above the price at which the issuer may call the bond.

## **INFLATION RISK**

Inflation risk results from the variation in the value of cash flows from a security due to inflation, as measured in terms of purchasing power. For example, if the Trust purchases a bond in which it can realize a coupon rate of 5%, but the rate of inflation increases from 2% to 6%, then the purchasing power of the cash flow has declined. For all but adjustable bonds or floating rate bonds, the Trust is exposed to inflation risk because the interest rate the issuer promises to make is fixed for the life of the security. To the extent that interest rates reflect the expected inflation rate, floating rate bonds have a lower level of inflation risk. In addition, during any periods of rising inflation, dividend rates of any variable rate preferred share issued by the Trust would likely increase, which would tend to further reduce returns to common shareholders.

## **ARBITRAGE RISKS**

The Trust engages in capital structure arbitrage and other arbitrage strategies. Arbitrage strategies entail various risks, including the risk that external events, regulatory approvals and other factors will impact the consummation of announced corporate events and/or the prices of certain positions. In addition, hedging is an important feature of capital structure arbitrage. There is no guarantee that the Investment Adviser will be able to hedge the Trust’s investment portfolio in the manner necessary to employ successfully the Trust’s strategy.

**SHORT SALES RISK**

Short selling involves selling securities that may or may not be owned and borrowing the same securities for delivery to the purchaser, with an obligation to replace the borrowed securities at a later date. Short selling allows the Trust to profit from declines in market prices to the extent such decline exceeds the transaction costs and the costs of borrowing the securities. However, because the

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borrowed securities must be replaced by purchases at market prices in order to close out the short position, any appreciation in the price of the borrowed securities would result in a loss. The securities necessary to cover a short position may not be available for purchase. Purchasing securities to close out the short position can itself cause the price of the securities to rise further, thereby exacerbating the loss. The Trust may mitigate such losses by replacing the securities sold short before the market price has increased significantly. Under adverse market conditions, the Trust might have difficulty purchasing securities to meet its short sale delivery obligations, and might have to sell portfolio securities to raise the capital necessary to meet its short sale obligations at a time when fundamental investment considerations would not favor such sales. Short sales by the Trust that are not made “against the box” theoretically involve unlimited loss potential, since the market price of securities sold short may continuously increase.

## **MLP RISK**

The Trust may invest in MLP securities. MLPs typically are characterized as “publicly traded partnerships” that qualify to be treated as partnerships for U.S. federal income tax purposes and are principally engaged in one or more aspects of the exploration, production, processing, transmission, marketing, storage or delivery of energy-related commodities, such as natural gas, natural gas liquids, coal, crude oil or refined petroleum products (collectively, the energy industry). As a result, holders of MLP securities will be subject to risks related to the energy industry, including: (i) fluctuations in commodity prices; (ii) reduced volumes of natural gas or other energy commodities available for transporting, processing, storing or distributing; (iii) slowdowns in new construction and acquisitions; (iv) reduced demand for commodities such as crude oil, natural gas and refined petroleum products; (v) depletion of natural gas reserves or other commodities; (vi) extreme weather and environmental hazards; (vii) stricter laws, regulations or enforcement policies; and (viii) dangers inherent to the energy industry, such as leaks, fires, explosions, damage to facilities and equipment resulting from natural disasters, inadvertent damage to facilities and equipment and terrorist acts.

Generally, an MLP is operated under the supervision of one or more managing general partners. Limited partners (like the Trust when it invests in an MLP) are not involved in the day-to-day management of the partnership. The Trust also may invest in companies who serve (or whose affiliates serve) as the general partner of an MLP. These investments may not be taxed as partnerships for U.S. Federal income tax purposes. Conflicts of interest may exist among unit holders, subordinated unit holders and the general partner of an MLP, including those arising from incentive distribution payments. General Partners typically have limited fiduciary duties to an MLP, which could allow a general partner to favor its own interests over the MLP’s interests. Additionally, general partners of MLPs often have limited call rights that may require MLP unit holders to sell their common units at an undesirable time or price.

Holders of MLP securities have limited control and voting rights on matters affecting the partnership. Holders of securities issued by an MLP are exposed to a remote possibility of liability for all of the obligations of that MLP in the event that a court determines that the rights of the holders of MLP securities to vote to remove or replace the general partner of that MLP, to approve amendments to that MLP’s partnership agreement, or to take other action under the partnership agreement of that MLP would constitute “control” of the business of that MLP, or a court or governmental agency determines that the MLP is conducting business in a state without complying with the partnership statute of that state. Holders of MLP securities are also exposed to the risk that they will be required to repay amounts to the MLP that are wrongfully distributed to them.

In addition, MLPs are subject to the risk that they will fail to be treated as partnerships for U.S. federal income tax purposes. If an MLP does not meet current legal requirements to maintain its partnership status, or if it is unable to do so because of tax or other law changes, it would be treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In that case, the MLP would be obligated to pay U.S. federal income tax (as well as state and local taxes) at the entity level on its taxable income and distributions received by the Trust would be taxable to the Trust as dividend income to the extent of the MLP’s current and accumulated earnings and profits for federal tax purposes. The classification of an MLP as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes could have the effect of reducing the amount of cash available for distribution by the MLP and the value of the Trust’s investment in any such MLP. As a result, the value of the Trust’s shares and the cash available for distribution to Trust shareholders could be materially reduced.

The Trust intends to limit its investments in MLPs and related entities to the extent necessary to qualify as a RIC for tax purposes. In general, a RIC is not permitted to invest, including through corporations in which the RIC owns a 20% or more voting stock interest, more than 25% of its total assets in qualified publicly-traded partnerships.

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BDCs generally invest in less mature private companies or thinly traded U.S. public companies which involve greater risk than well-established publicly-traded companies. The Trust will indirectly bear its proportionate share of any management and other operating expenses and of any performance-based or incentive fees charged by the BDCs in which it invests, in addition to the expenses paid by the Trust. The Investment Company Act imposes certain constraints upon the operations of a BDC. Generally, little public information exists for private and thinly traded companies in which a BDC may invest and there is a risk that investors may not be able to make a fully informed evaluation of a BDC and its portfolio of investments. In addition, to qualify and remain eligible for the special tax treatment accorded to RICs and their shareholders, the BDCs in which the Trust invests must meet certain source-of-income, asset diversification and annual distribution requirements. If a BDC in which the Trust invests fails to qualify as a RIC, such BDC would be liable for federal, and possibly state, corporate taxes on its taxable income and gains. Such failure by a BDC could substantially reduce the BDC's net assets and the amount of income available for distribution to the Trust, which would in turn decrease the total return of the Trust in respect of such investment.

**RISKS OF INVESTING IN STRUCTURED FINANCE SECURITIES**

A portion of the Trust's investments may consist of equipment trust certificates, collateralized mortgage obligations, CBOs, CLOs or similar instruments. Such structured finance securities are generally backed by an asset or a pool of assets, which serve as collateral. Depending on the type of security, the collateral may take the form of a portfolio of mortgage loans or bonds or other assets. The Trust and other investors in structured finance securities ultimately bear the credit risk of the underlying collateral. In some instances, the structured finance securities are issued in multiple tranches, offering investors various maturity and credit risk characteristics, often categorized as senior, mezzanine and subordinated/equity according to their degree of risk. The riskiest securities are the equity tranche, which bears the bulk of defaults from the bonds or loans serving as collateral, and thus may protect the other, more senior tranches from default. If there are defaults or the relevant collateral otherwise underperforms, scheduled payments to senior tranches of such securities take precedence over those of mezzanine tranches, and scheduled payments to mezzanine tranches take precedence over those to subordinated/equity tranches. A senior tranche typically has higher ratings and lower yields than the underlying securities, and may be rated investment grade. Despite the protection from the equity tranche, other tranches can experience substantial losses due to actual defaults, increased sensitivity to defaults due to previous defaults and the disappearance of protecting tranches, market anticipation of defaults and aversion to certain structured finance securities as a class. In light of the above considerations, structured finance securities may present risks similar to those of the other types of debt obligations in which the Trust may invest and, in fact, such risks may be of greater significance in the case of structured finance securities. Moreover, investing in structured finance securities may entail a variety of unique risks. In addition, the performance of a structured finance security will be affected by a variety of factors, including the security's priority in the capital structure of the issuer thereof, the availability of any credit enhancement, the level and timing of payments and recoveries on and the characteristics of the underlying receivables, loans or other assets that are being securitized, remoteness of those assets from the originator or transferor, the adequacy of and ability to realize upon any related collateral and the capability of the servicer of the securitized assets. Structured finance securities carry additional risks that include, but are not limited to: (i) the possibility that distributions from collateral securities will not be adequate to make interest or other payments; (ii) the structure and complexity of the transaction and the legal documents could lead to disputes among investors regarding the characterization of proceeds; (iii) the investment return achieved by the Trust could be significantly different than those predicted by financial models; (iv) the lack of a readily available secondary market for structured finance securities; (v) risk of forced "fire sale" liquidation due to technical defaults such as coverage test failures; and (vi) the manager of a structured finance security may perform poorly. In addition, the complex structure of the security may produce unexpected investment results, especially during times of market stress or volatility, and a small number of defaults may have a disproportionate impact on the performance of the security. Investments in structured finance securities may also be subject to illiquidity risk, as they are normally privately offered and sold and thus, are not registered under securities laws. In addition to the risks noted above and other risks, structured finance securities may be subject to prepayment risk. Collateralized mortgage obligations may have risks similar to those of mortgage-backed securities. See "Mortgage-Backed Securities Risk" for more information.

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### **RISKS OF INVESTING IN PREFERRED SECURITIES**

There are special risks associated with investing in preferred securities, including:

- *Deferral.* Preferred securities may include provisions that permit the issuer, at its discretion, to defer distributions for a stated period without any adverse consequences to the issuer. If the Trust owns a preferred security that is deferring the payment of its distributions, the Trust may be required to report income for U.S. federal income tax purposes to the extent of any such deferred distribution even though the Trust has not yet received such income. In order to receive the special treatment accorded to RICs and their shareholders under the Code and to avoid U.S. federal income and/or excise taxes at the Trust level, the Trust may be required to distribute this reported income to shareholders in the tax year in which the income is reported (without a corresponding receipt of cash). Therefore, the Trust may be required to pay out as an income distribution in any such tax year an amount greater than the total amount of income the Trust actually received, and may, among other things, sell portfolio securities, including at potentially disadvantageous times or prices, to obtain cash needed for these income distributions.
- *Subordination.* Preferred securities are subordinated to bonds and other debt instruments in a company's capital structure in terms of priority to corporate income and liquidation payments, and therefore will be subject to greater credit risk than more senior debt instruments.
- *Liquidity.* Preferred securities may be substantially less liquid than many other securities, such as common stock or U.S. government securities.
- *Limited Voting Rights.* Generally, preferred security holders have no voting rights with respect to the issuing company unless preferred dividends have been in arrears for a specified number of periods, at which time the preferred security holders may elect a number of trustees to the issuer's board. Generally, once all the arrearages have been paid, the preferred security holders no longer have voting rights.

### **RISKS OF INVESTING IN SWAPS**

Investments in swaps involve the exchange by the Trust with another party of their respective commitments. Use of swaps subjects the Trust to risk of default by the counterparty. If there is a default by the counterparty to such a transaction, there may be contractual remedies pursuant to the agreements related to the transaction although contractual remedies may not be sufficient in the event the counterparty is insolvent. The Trust may enter into credit default swaps, currency swaps or other swaps which may be surrogates for other instruments such as currency forwards or options. Swap agreements are sophisticated financial instruments that typically involve a small investment of cash relative to the magnitude of risks assumed. Swaps can be highly volatile and may have a considerable impact on the Trust's performance, as the potential gain or loss on any swap transaction is not necessarily subject to any fixed limit.

Recently, several broker-dealers and other financial institutions have experienced extreme financial difficulty, sometimes resulting in bankruptcy of the institution. Although the Investment Adviser monitors the creditworthiness of the Trust's counterparties, the Trust's counterparties could experience similar difficulties, possibly resulting in losses to the Trust.

### **RISKS OF INVESTING IN SYNTHETIC SECURITIES**

In addition to credit risks associated with holding non-investment grade loans and high-yield debt securities, with respect to synthetic securities the Trust will usually have a contractual relationship only with the counterparty of such synthetic securities, and not the Reference Obligor on the Reference Obligation. The Trust generally will have no right to enforce directly compliance by the Reference Obligor with the terms of the Reference Obligation nor any rights of setoff against the Reference Obligor, nor have any voting rights with respect to the Reference Obligation. The Trust will not benefit directly from any collateral supporting the Reference Obligation or have the benefit of the remedies on default that would normally be available to a holder of such Reference Obligation. In addition, in the event of insolvency of its counterparty, the Trust will be treated as a general creditor of such counterparty and will not have any claim with respect to the credit risk of the counterparty or of the Reference Obligor. As a result, investments in synthetic securities are subject to an additional degree of risk because they are subject to the credit risk of the counterparty as well as that of the Reference Obligor. The Investment Adviser may not perform independent credit analyses of any particular counterparty, or any entity guaranteeing the obligations of such counterparty. See "Principal Risks of the Trust – Counterparty Risk."

The Trust currently does not expect to invest more than 10% of its assets in synthetic securities as measured on a mark-to-market basis. However, the Trust's investments in synthetic securities may exceed this amount from time to time.



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Portfolio securities may be valued using techniques other than market quotations, under the circumstances described under “Determination of Net Asset Value.” The value established for a portfolio security may be different than what would be produced through the use of another methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio securities that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including “fair valued” securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their value from one day to the next than would be the case if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell a portfolio security for the value established for it at any time and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio security is sold at a discount to its established value.

Fair value is defined as the amount for which assets could be sold in an orderly disposition over a reasonable period of time, taking into account the nature of the asset. Fair value pricing, however, involves judgments that are inherently subjective and inexact, since fair valuation procedures are used only when it is not possible to be sure what value should be attributed to a particular asset or when an event will affect the market price of an asset and to what extent. As a result, fair value pricing may not reflect actual market value, and it is possible that the fair value determined for a security will be materially different from the value that actually could be or is realized upon the sale of that asset.

**RISKS OF NON-DIVERSIFICATION AND OTHER FOCUSED STRATEGIES**

While the Investment Adviser invests in a number of fixed-income and equity instruments issued by different issuers and employs multiple investment strategies with respect to the Trust’s investment portfolio, it is possible that a significant amount of the Trust’s investments could be invested in the instruments of only a few companies or other issuers or that at any particular point in time one investment strategy could be more heavily weighted than the others. The focus of the Trust’s investment portfolio in any one issuer would subject the Trust to a greater degree of risk with respect to defaults by such issuer or other adverse events affecting that issuer, and the focus of the portfolio in any one industry or group of industries would subject the Trust to a greater degree of risk with respect to economic downturns relating to such industry. The focus of the Trust’s investment portfolio in any one investment strategy would subject the Trust to a greater degree of risk than if the Trust’s investment portfolio were varied in its investments with respect to several investment strategies.

**RISKS RELATED TO CURRENT MARKET CONDITIONS**

Recently, debt markets have experienced a period of high volatility, which has negatively impacted market liquidity conditions and prices. Initially, the concerns on the part of market participants were focused on the subprime segment of the mortgage-backed securities market. These concerns expanded to include derivatives, securitized assets and a broad range of other debt securities, including those rated investment grade, the U.S. and international credit and interbank money markets generally, and a wide range of financial institutions and markets, asset classes, and sectors. As a result, debt instruments have experienced, and may in the future experience, liquidity issues, increased price volatility, credit downgrades, and increased likelihood of default. Debt securities may be difficult to value during such periods. These market conditions may have an adverse effect on the Trust’s investments and hamper the Trust’s ability to sell the debt securities in which it invests or to find and purchase suitable debt instruments. Because the Trust invests heavily in fixed income securities and related investments, it may underperform during periods of rising interest rates. Market conditions may also make it more difficult or impossible for the Trust to use leverage to the degree required, or make any such leverage more expensive (for example, by increasing interest expense). In addition, these conditions may directly and adversely affect the setting of dividend rates on the common shares.

In recent periods, governmental financial regulators, including the U.S. Federal Reserve, have taken steps to maintain historically low interest rates by purchasing bonds. The ending of those programs, and withdrawal of other measures of government support, along with any increase to base interest rates, could result in the effects described above or otherwise adversely affect the value of the Trust’s investments, and could have a material adverse effect on prices for debt securities and on the management of the Trust.

The recent market conditions have also caused domestic and international issuers to seek capital infusions to strengthen their financial positions or to remain financially viable. These capital infusions have taken a variety of forms, including the public or private issuance of additional debt securities, equity securities or both, which have been purchased by, among others, public and private investors, government agencies, and sovereign wealth funds. If the Trust owns shares of an issuer that sells additional equity securities and the Trust cannot or chooses not to purchase shares in the offering, the Trust’s interest in the issuing company will be diluted.

**RISKS OF INVESTING IN A TRUST WITH ANTI-TAKEOVER PROVISIONS**



The Trust's Agreement and Declaration of Trust includes provisions that could limit the ability of other entities or persons to acquire control of the Trust or convert the Trust to open-end status. These provisions could deprive the holders of common shares of opportunities to sell their common shares at a premium over the then current market price of the common shares or at NAV. See "Anti-Takeover Provisions in the Agreement and Declaration of Trust".

[Table of Contents](#)**KEY ADVISER PERSONNEL RISK**

The Trust's ability to identify and invest in attractive opportunities is dependent upon the Investment Adviser. If one or more key individuals leaves the Investment Adviser, the Investment Adviser may not be able to hire qualified replacements or may require an extended time to do so. This situation could prevent the Trust from achieving its investment objectives.

**RISKS RELATING TO DILUTION OF SHAREHOLDERS' INTERESTS**

Shareholders' interests in the Trust may be diluted if they do not fully exercise their subscription rights in any rights offering. In addition, if the subscription price is less than our NAV per share, then there will be an immediate dilution of the aggregate NAV of our shares. In the event we issue subscription rights, shareholders who do not fully exercise their rights should expect that they will, at the completion of a rights offering pursuant to this Prospectus, own a smaller proportional interest in us than would otherwise be the case if they fully exercised their rights. Such dilution is not currently determinable because it is not known what proportion of the shares will be purchased as a result of such rights offering. Any such dilution will disproportionately affect non-exercising shareholders. This dilution could be substantial. The amount of any decrease in NAV is not predictable because it is not known at this time what the subscription price and NAV per share will be on the expiration date of the rights offering or what proportion of the shares will be purchased as a result of such rights offering.

**RISKS RELATING TO TRUST'S TAX STATUS**

To remain eligible for the special tax treatment accorded to RICs and their shareholders under the Code, the Trust must meet certain source of income, asset diversification and annual distribution requirements. Very generally, in order to qualify as a RIC, the Trust must derive at least 90% of its gross income for each taxable year from dividends, interest, payments with respect to certain securities loans, gains from the sale or other disposition of stock, securities or foreign currencies, or other income derived with respect to its business of investing in stock or other securities. In some cases, if the Trust fails to meet these income requirements at the end of a taxable year, it will be able to cure such failure by paying a Trust-level tax to avoid the loss of its RIC status; such tax could be substantial. The Trust must also meet certain asset diversification requirements at the end of each quarter of each of its taxable years. Failure to meet these diversification requirements on the last day of a quarter will result in the Trust's loss of RIC status, unless it is able to cure such failure, for instance, by disposing of certain investments, including at potentially disadvantageous times and prices, and, in some cases, by paying a Trust-level tax.

In addition, in order to be eligible for the special tax treatment accorded RICs, the Trust must meet the annual distribution requirement, requiring it to distribute with respect to each taxable year at least the sum of 90% of its "investment company taxable income" (as that term is defined in the Code without regard to the deduction for dividends paid – generally its taxable ordinary income and realized net short-term capital gains in excess of realized net long-term capital losses, if any) and 90% of its net tax-exempt income (if any), to its shareholders. Because the Trust currently maintains a committed facility, and may use additional debt financing in the future, the Trust is subject to certain asset coverage ratio requirements under the Investment Company Act that could, under certain circumstances, restrict the Trust from making the distributions necessary to satisfy this annual distribution requirement and to avoid corporate-level U.S. federal income or excise taxes. Any taxable income (including net long-term capital gains) that the Trust is unable to distribute will be subject to corporate-level tax at regular corporate rates. Further, if the Trust fails to meet the annual distribution requirement, the source of income requirement or the asset diversification requirement in respect of a taxable year and is ineligible to or otherwise does not cure such failure for any such year, all of its taxable income regardless of whether timely distributed to shareholders will be subject to corporate-level tax and all of its distributions from earnings and profits (including from net long-term capital gains) will be taxable to shareholders as ordinary income. For individual shareholders who meet certain holding period requirements, such distributions would be eligible for reduced tax rates applicable to qualified dividend income.

In any such event, the resulting corporate taxes could substantially reduce the Trust's net assets, the amount of income available for distribution and the amount of its distributions. Such a failure would have a material adverse effect on the Trust and its shareholders. In addition, in some cases, the Trust could be required to recognize unrealized gains, pay substantial taxes and interest and make substantial distributions in order to re-qualify as a RIC.

**RIC-RELATED RISKS OF INVESTMENTS GENERATING NON-CASH TAXABLE INCOME**

Certain of the Trust's investments will require the Trust to recognize taxable income in a taxable year in excess of the cash generated on those investments during that year. In particular, the Trust expects that a substantial portion of its investments in loans and other debt obligations will be treated as having "market discount" and/or "original issue discount" for U.S. federal income tax purposes, which, in some cases, could be significant. Because the Trust may be required to recognize income in respect of these

investments before or without receiving cash representing such income, the Trust may have difficulty satisfying the annual distribution requirements applicable to RICs and avoiding Trust-level U.S. federal income or excise taxes. Accordingly, the Trust may be required

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to sell portfolio securities, including at potentially disadvantageous times or prices, raise additional debt or equity capital, or reduce new investments, to obtain the cash needed to make these income distributions. If the Trust liquidates portfolio securities to raise cash, the Trust may realize gain or loss on such liquidations; in the event the Trust realizes net long-term or short-term capital gains from such liquidation transactions, its shareholders may receive larger capital gain or ordinary dividends, respectively, than they would in the absence of such transactions.

## **LIMITATIONS OF CREDIT RATINGS**

Credit ratings represent only the opinion of the rating agency with respect to the ability of the issuer to make principal and interest payments on the securities. In determining a credit rating, rating agencies do not evaluate the risks of fluctuations in market value. Further, there may be limits on the effectiveness of the rating agencies' financial models. For these and other reasons, a credit rating may not fully reflect the risks inherent in the relevant security. Further, a rating organization may have a conflict of interest with respect to a security for which it assigns a particular rating. For example, if the issuer or sponsor of a security pays a rating agency for the analysis of the security, an inherent conflict of interest may exist that could affect the reliability of the rating. In addition, credit rating agencies may or may not make timely changes in a rating to reflect changes in the economy or in the conditions of the issuer that affect the market value of the security. In other words, a security or an issuer may maintain a certain credit rating even though conditions have deteriorated since the rating was issued. Consequently, credit ratings should not necessarily be relied upon as an indicator of investment quality. If a rating organization changes the rating assigned to one or more of the Trust's portfolio securities, the Trust is not required to sell the relevant securities.

## **CERTAIN AFFILIATIONS**

Certain broker-dealers may be considered to be affiliated persons of the Trust or the Investment Adviser. Absent an exemption from the Commission or other regulatory relief, the Trust is generally precluded from effecting certain principal transactions with affiliated brokers, and its ability to purchase securities being underwritten by an affiliated broker or a syndicate including an affiliated broker, or to utilize affiliated brokers for agency transactions, is subject to restrictions. This could limit the Trust's ability to engage in securities transactions and take advantage of market opportunities. In addition, unless and until the underwriting syndicate is broken in connection with the initial public offering of the securities, the Trust will be precluded from effecting principal transactions with brokers who are members of the syndicate.

## **OPERATIONAL AND TECHNOLOGY RISK**

The Trust, its service providers, and other market participants increasingly depend on complex information technology and communications systems to conduct business functions. These systems are subject to a number of different threats or risks that could adversely affect the Trust and its shareholders, despite the efforts of the Trust and its service providers to adopt technologies, processes, and practices intended to mitigate these risks.

For example, unauthorized third parties may attempt to improperly access, modify, disrupt the operations of, or prevent access to these systems of the Trust, the Trust's service providers, counterparties, or other market participants or data within them (a "cyber-attack"). Power or communications outages, acts of god, information technology equipment malfunctions, operational errors, and inaccuracies within software or data processing systems may also disrupt business operations or impact critical data. Market events also may trigger a volume of transactions that overloads current information technology and communication systems and processes, impacting the ability to conduct the Trust's operations.

Cyber-attacks, disruptions, or failures that affect the Trust's service providers or counterparties may adversely affect the Trusts and its shareholders, including by causing losses for the Trust or impairing Trust operations. For example, the Trust's or its service providers' assets or sensitive or confidential information may be misappropriated, data may be corrupted, and operations may be disrupted (e.g., cyber-attacks or operational failures may cause the release of private shareholder information or confidential Trust information, interfere with the processing of shareholder transactions, impact the ability to calculate the Trust's NAV, and impede trading). In addition, cyber-attacks, disruptions, or failures may cause reputational damage and subject the Trust or its service providers to regulatory fines, litigation costs, penalties or financial losses, reimbursement or other compensation costs, and/or additional compliance costs. While the Trust and its service providers may establish business continuity and other plans and processes to address the possibility of cyber-attacks, disruptions, or failures, there are inherent limitations in such plans and systems, including that they do not apply to third parties, such as other market participants, as well as the possibility that certain risks have not been identified or that unknown threats may emerge in the future.

Similar types of operational and technology risks are also present for issuers of the Trust's investments, which could have material adverse consequences for such issuers, and may cause the Trust's investments to lose value. In addition, cyber-attacks involving the Trust counterparty could affect such counterparty's ability to meet its obligations to the Trust, which may result in losses to the Trust and its shareholders. Furthermore, as a result of cyber-attacks, disruptions, or failures, an exchange or market may close or issue trading halts on specific securities or the entire market, which may result in the Trust being, among other things, unable to buy or sell certain securities or financial instruments or unable to accurately price its investments. The Trust cannot directly control any cybersecurity plans and systems put in place by its service providers, Trust counterparties, issuers in which the Trust invests, or securities markets and exchanges.

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The Trust is required to invest at least 25% of the value of its total assets at the time of purchase in the securities of issuers conducting their principal business activities in the real estate industry. Under this policy, the Trust may be subject to greater market fluctuations than a fund that does not concentrate its investments in a particular industry. Financial, economic, business, and other developments affecting issuers in the real estate industry will have a greater effect on the Trust, and if securities of the real estate industry fall out of favor, the Trust could underperform, or its NAV may be more volatile than, funds that have greater industry diversification.

**REAL ESTATE INDUSTRY RISK**

Issuers principally engaged in real estate industry, including real estate investment trusts, may be subject to risks similar to the risks associated with the direct ownership of real estate, including: (i) changes in general economic and market conditions; (ii) changes in the value of real estate properties; (iii) risks related to local economic conditions, overbuilding and increased competition; (iv) increases in property taxes and operating expenses; (v) changes in zoning laws; (vi) casualty and condemnation losses; (vii) variations in rental income, neighborhood values or the appeal of property to tenants; (viii) the availability of financing and (ix) changes in interest rates and leverage.

**COMMUNICATIONS INDUSTRY RISK**

The market for communications products and services is characterized by rapidly changing technology, rapid product obsolescence, cyclical market patterns, evolving industry standards and frequent new product introductions. The success of the communications industry issuers depends in substantial part on the timely and successful introduction of new products and services. An unexpected change in the market for products or services based on a particular technology could have a material adverse effect on an issuer's operating results. Furthermore, there can be no assurance that communications industry issuers will be able to respond in a timely manner to compete in the rapidly developing marketplace. Many communications companies rely on a combination of patents, copyrights, trademarks and trade secret laws to establish and protect their intellectual property. There can be no assurance that the steps taken to protect intellectual property will be adequate to prevent misappropriation or that competitors will not independently develop products or services that are substantially equivalent or superior to such issuers' products or services.

**Management of the Trust**

The Trust is a party to contractual arrangements with various parties, including, among others, the Trust's investment adviser, administrator, distributor, and shareholder servicing agent, who provide services to the Trust. Shareholders are not parties to, or intended ("third party") beneficiaries of, any such contractual arrangements, and such contractual arrangements are not intended to create in any individual shareholder or group of shareholders any right to enforce them against the service providers or to seek any remedy under them against the service providers, either directly or on behalf of the Trust.

Neither this Prospectus, nor the related SAI, is intended, or should be read, to be or to give rise to an agreement or contract between the Trust and any investor, or to give rise to any rights in any shareholder or other person other than any rights under federal or state law that may not be waived.

**TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS**

The Board is responsible for the overall management of the Trust, including supervision of the duties performed by the Investment Adviser. There are five trustees of the Trust. Four of the trustees are not "interested persons" (as defined in the Investment Company Act) of the Trust. The names and business addresses of the trustees and officers of the Trust and their principal occupations and other affiliations during the past five years are set forth under "Management of the Trust" in the SAI.

**INVESTMENT ADVISER**

NexPoint Advisors, L.P. acts as the Trust's investment adviser. The Investment Adviser is located at 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201. As of June 30, 2019, the Investment Adviser, together with its affiliates, managed approximately \$9.9 billion in assets on behalf of investors around the world. The Investment Adviser is controlled by James Dondero by virtue of his control of its general partner, NexPoint Advisors GP, LLC.



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***Responsibilities.*** The Investment Adviser provides the following services to the Trust: (i) furnishes an investment program for the Trust; (ii) determines, subject to the overall supervision and review of the Board, the investments to be purchased, held, sold or exchanged by the Trust and the portion, if any, of the assets of the Trust to be held uninvested; (iii) makes changes in the investments of the Trust; and (iv) votes, exercises consents, and exercises all other rights pertaining to such investments. Subject to the foregoing, the Investment Adviser will have the authority to engage one or more sub-advisers in connection with the portfolio management of the Trust, which sub-advisers may be affiliates of the Investment Adviser; provided, however, that the Investment Adviser shall remain responsible to the Trust with respect to its duties and obligations set forth in the investment advisory agreement.

***Compensation.*** In return for its advisory services, the Investment Adviser receives an annual fee, payable monthly, in an amount equal to 1.00% of the average weekly value of the Trust's Managed Assets (the "Advisory Fee"). The accrued fees are payable monthly as promptly as possible after the end of each month during which the investment advisory agreement is in effect. A discussion regarding the basis for the approval of the investment advisory agreement by the Board is available in the Trust's report to shareholders for the period ended December 31, 2017.

***Potential Conflicts of Interest.*** The Investment Adviser is an affiliate of Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P. ("HCMFA"). The Investment Adviser and/or its general partner, limited partners, officers, affiliates and employees provide investment advice to other parties and manage other accounts and private investment vehicles similar to the Trust. For the purposes of this section, the term "Highland" shall include the Investment Adviser and its affiliated investment advisors, including Highland Capital Management, L.P. and its affiliates. In connection with such other investment management activities, the Investment Adviser and/or its general partner, limited partners, officers, affiliates and employees may decide to invest the funds of one or more other accounts or recommend the investment of funds by other parties, rather than the Trust's monies, in a particular security or strategy. In addition, the Investment Adviser and such other persons will determine the allocation of funds from the Trust and such other accounts to investment strategies and techniques on whatever basis they consider appropriate or desirable in their sole and absolute discretion.

Highland has built a professional working environment, a firm-wide compliance culture and compliance procedures and systems designed to protect against potential incentives that may favor one account over another. Highland has adopted policies and procedures that address the allocation of investment opportunities, execution of portfolio transactions, personal trading by employees and other potential conflicts of interest that are designed to ensure that all client accounts are treated equitably over time. Nevertheless, Highland furnishes advisory services to numerous clients in addition to the Trust, and Highland may, consistent with applicable law, make investment recommendations to other clients or accounts (including accounts that have performance or higher fees paid to Highland or in which portfolio managers have a personal interest in the receipt of such fees) that may be the same as or different from those made to the Trust. In addition, Highland, its affiliates and any of their partners, directors, officers, stockholders or employees may or may not have an interest in the securities whose purchase and sale the Investment Adviser recommends to the Trust. Actions with respect to securities of the same kind may be the same as or different from the action that the Investment Adviser, or any of its affiliates, or any of their partners, directors, officers, stockholders or employees or any member of their families may take with respect to the same securities. Moreover, the Investment Adviser may refrain from rendering any advice or services concerning securities of companies of which any of the Investment Adviser's (or its affiliates') partners, directors, officers or employees are directors or officers, or companies as to which the Investment Adviser or any of its affiliates or partners, directors, officers and employees of any of them has any substantial economic interest or possesses material non-public information. In addition to its various policies and procedures designed to address these issues, Highland includes disclosure regarding these matters to its clients in both its Form ADV and investment advisory agreements.

The Investment Adviser, its affiliates or their partners, directors, officers or employees similarly serve or may serve other entities that operate in the same or related lines of business, including accounts managed by an investment adviser affiliated with the Investment Adviser. Accordingly, these individuals may have obligations to investors in those entities or funds or to other clients, the fulfillment of which might not be in the best interests of the Trust. As a result, the Investment Adviser will face conflicts in the allocation of investment opportunities to the Trust and other funds and clients. In order to enable such affiliates to fulfill their fiduciary duties to each of the clients for which they have responsibility, the Investment Adviser will endeavor to allocate investment opportunities in a fair and equitable manner, pursuant to policies and procedures adopted by the Investment Adviser and its advisory affiliates that are designed to manage potential conflicts of interest, which may, subject to applicable regulatory constraints, involve pro rata co-investment by the Trust and such other clients or may involve a rotation of opportunities among the Trust and such other clients. The Trust will only make investments in which the Investment Adviser or an affiliate hold an interest to the extent permitted under the Investment Company Act and SEC staff interpretations or pursuant to the terms and conditions of the exemptive order received by the Investment Adviser and certain funds affiliated with the Trust, dated April 19, 2016. For example, exemptive relief is not required for the Trust to invest in syndicated deals and secondary loan market transactions in which the Investment Adviser or an affiliate has an interest where price is the only negotiated point. The order applies to all "Investment Companies," which includes future closed-end investment companies registered under the Investment Company Act that are managed by the affiliated advisers,





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which includes the Trust. The Trust, therefore, may in the future invest in accordance with the terms and conditions of the exemptive order. To mitigate any actual or perceived conflicts of interest, allocation of limited offering securities (such as IPOs and registered secondary offerings) to principal accounts that do not include third party investors may only be made after all other client account orders for the security have been filled. However, there can be no assurance that such policies and procedures will in every case ensure fair and equitable allocations of investment opportunities, particularly when considered in hindsight.

Conflicts may arise in cases when clients and/or the Investment Adviser and other affiliated entities invest in different parts of an issuer's capital structure, including circumstances in which one or more clients own private securities or obligations of an issuer and other clients may own public securities of the same issuer. In addition, one or more clients may invest in securities, or other financial instruments, of an issuer that are senior or junior to securities, or financial instruments, of the same issuer that are held by or acquired for, one or more other clients. For example, if such issuer encounters financial problems, decisions related to such securities (such as over the terms of any workout or proposed waivers and amendments to debt covenants) may raise conflicts of interests. In such a distressed situation, a client holding debt securities of the issuer may be better served by a liquidation of the issuer in which it may be paid in full, whereas a client holding equity securities of the issuer might prefer a reorganization that holds the potential to create value for the equity holders. In the event of conflicting interests within an issuer's capital structure, Highland will generally pursue the strategy that Highland believes best reflects what would be expected to be negotiated in an arm's length transaction, but in all instances with due consideration being given to Highland's fiduciary duties to each of its accounts (without regard to the nature of the accounts involved or fees received from such accounts). This strategy may be recommended by one or more Highland investment professionals. A single person may represent more than one part of an issuer's capital structure. The recommended course of action will be presented to the conflicts committee for final determination as to how to proceed. Highland may elect, but is not required, to assign different teams to make recommendations for different parts of the capital structure as the conflicts committee determines in its discretion. In the event any Highland personnel serve on the board of the subject company, they generally recuse themselves from voting on any board matter with respect to a transaction that has an asymmetrical impact on the capital structure. Highland personnel board members may still make recommendations to the conflicts committee. If any such persons are also on the conflicts committee, they may recuse themselves from the committee's determination. A portfolio manager with respect to any applicable Highland registered investment company clients ("Retail Accounts") participates in such discussions, but makes an independent determination as to which course of action he or she determines is in the best interest of the applicable Retail Accounts. Highland may use external counsel for guidance and assistance.

The Investment Adviser and its affiliates have both subjective and objective procedures and policies in place designed to manage potential conflicts of interest involving clients so that, for example, investment opportunities are allocated in a fair and equitable manner among the Trust and such other clients. An investment opportunity that is suitable for multiple clients of the Investment Adviser and its affiliates may not be capable of being shared among some or all of such clients due to the limited scale of the opportunity or other factors, including regulatory restrictions imposed by the Investment Company Act. There can be no assurance that the Investment Adviser's or its affiliates' efforts to allocate any particular investment opportunity fairly among all clients for whom such opportunity is appropriate will result in an allocation of all or part of such opportunity to the Trust. Not all conflicts of interest can be expected to be resolved in favor of the Trust.

Another type of conflict may arise if one client account buys a security and another client account sells or shorts the same security. Currently, such opposing positions are generally not permitted within the same account without prior trade approval by the Chief Compliance Officer. However, a portfolio manager may enter into opposing positions for different clients to the extent each such client has a different investment objective and each such position is consistent with the investment objective of the applicable client. In addition, transactions in investments by one or more affiliated client accounts may have the effect of diluting or otherwise disadvantaging the values, prices or investment strategies of other client accounts.

Because certain client accounts may have investment objectives, strategies or legal, contractual, tax or other requirements that differ (such as the need to take tax losses, realize profits, raise cash, diversification, etc.), an affiliated advisor may purchase, sell or continue to hold securities for certain client accounts contrary to other recommendations. In addition, an affiliated advisor may be permitted to sell securities or instruments short for certain client accounts and may not be permitted to do so for other affiliated client accounts.

As a result of the Trust's arrangements with Highland, there may be times when Highland, the Investment Adviser or their affiliates have interests that differ from those of the Trust's shareholders, giving rise to a conflict of interest. Highland and the Investment Adviser are under common ownership, and the Trust's officers serve or may serve as officers, directors or principals of entities that operate in the same or a related line of business as the Trust does, or of investment funds managed by the Investment Adviser or its affiliates. Similarly, the Investment Adviser or its affiliates may have other clients with similar, different or competing investment objectives. In serving in these multiple capacities, they may have obligations to other clients or investors in those entities, the fulfillment of which may not be in the best interests of the Trust or its shareholders. For example, the Trust's officers have, and will

continue to have, management responsibilities for other investment funds, accounts or other investment vehicles managed or sponsored by the Investment Adviser and its affiliates. The Trust's investment objective may overlap, in part or in whole, with the investment objective of such affiliated investment funds, accounts or other investment vehicles. As a result, those individuals may face conflicts in the allocation of investment opportunities among the

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Trust and other investment funds or accounts advised by or affiliated with the Investment Adviser. The Investment Adviser will seek to allocate investment opportunities among eligible accounts in a manner that is fair and equitable over time and consistent with its allocation policy. However, the Trust can offer no assurance that such opportunities will be allocated to it fairly or equitably in the short-term or over time. See “Conflicts of Interest” for a discussion of our Investment Adviser’s allocation policy.

Currently a substantial portion of the Trust’s assets are invested in REITs, asset-backed securities and/or CLOs sponsored, organized and/or managed by Highland and its affiliates. The Investment Adviser will monitor for conflicts of interest in accordance with its fiduciary duties and will provide the independent trustees of the Trust with an opportunity to periodically review the Trust’s investments in such REITs, asset-backed securities and/or CLOs and assure themselves that continued investment in such securities remains in the best interests of the Trust and its shareholders. The Investment Adviser may effect client cross-transactions where it causes a transaction to be effected between the Trust and another client advised by the Investment Adviser or any of its affiliates. The Investment Adviser may engage in a client cross-transaction involving the Trust any time that the Investment Adviser believes such transaction to be fair to the Trust and the other client of the Investment Adviser or its affiliates.

As further described below, the Investment Adviser may effect principal transactions where the Trust may make and/or hold an investment, including an investment in securities, in which the Investment Adviser and/or its affiliates have a debt, equity or participation interest, in each case in accordance with applicable law, which may include the Investment Adviser obtaining the consent and approval of the Trust prior to engaging in any such principal transaction between the Trust and the Investment Adviser or its affiliates.

The Investment Adviser may direct the Trust to acquire or dispose of investments in cross trades between the Trust and other clients of the Investment Adviser or its affiliates in accordance with applicable legal and regulatory requirements. In addition, to the extent permitted by the Investment Company Act and SEC staff interpretations, the Trust may make and/or hold an investment, including an investment in securities, in which the Investment Adviser and/or its affiliates have a debt, equity or participation interest, and the holding and sale of such investments by the Trust may enhance the profitability of the Investment Adviser’s own investments in such companies.

During periods in which the Trust is using leverage, the fees paid to the Investment Adviser for investment advisory services and to the Administrator for administrative services will be higher than if the Trust did not use leverage because the fees paid will be calculated on the basis of the Trust’s Managed Assets, which may create an incentive for the Investment Adviser to leverage the Trust or to leverage using strategies that increase the Investment Adviser’s fee. Furthermore, the Investment Adviser will also benefit to the extent that the Trust’s Managed Assets are derived from the reinvested collateral received on portfolio securities loaned.

In addition to the Advisory Fee of the Investment Adviser, the Trust pays all other costs and expenses of its operations, including, but not limited to, compensation of its trustees (other than those affiliated with the Investment Adviser), custodian, transfer and dividend disbursing agent expenses, legal fees, listing fees and expenses, expenses of independent auditors, expenses of preparing, printing and distributing shareholder reports, notices, proxy statements and reports to governmental agencies, and reimbursement of actual expenses of the Investment Adviser or others for registration and maintenance of the Trust’s registration with the Commission and other jurisdictions and taxes, if any.

Pursuant to the Trust’s investment advisory agreement, the Trust has undertaken to indemnify the Investment Adviser and its partners, officers, employees, agents, and controlling persons for certain liabilities arising under the agreement, except liabilities arising from their willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence or reckless disregard of the duties involved in the conduct of his position. In accordance with the indemnification provision in the Trust’s Investment Advisory Agreement, the Trust has in the past indemnified the Investment Adviser from time to time, and may continue to do so in the future.

## Real Estate Allocation Procedures.

Members of the Trust’s management team also operate: (1) an externally managed publicly traded REIT (“NXRT”), that manages a portfolio of Class B, value add multifamily properties; (2) VineBrook Homes Trust, Inc., an externally managed private REIT that manages a portfolio of single-family housing properties in the Midwest U.S. (“VineBrook”); (3) NexPoint Hospitality Trust, an externally managed publicly traded REIT (“NHT”) listed on the TSX Venture Exchange, that manages a portfolio of hospitality assets located in the U.S.; (4) a private REIT (NFRO REIT Sub, LLC), which is wholly-owned by Highland Income Fund (“HFRO”), that invests in real estate transactions, or real estate operating companies, via debt instruments; (5) a private REIT (NRESF REIT Sub, LLC), which is wholly-owned by NexPoint Real Estate Strategies Fund (“NRESF”), that invests directly in real estate transactions or real estate operating companies; (6) a private REIT (NexPoint Capital REIT, LLC), which is wholly-owned by NexPoint Capital Inc., that invests in both direct interests in opportunistic real estate investments and preferred equity investments for entities that own real estate, and (7) a private

REIT (GAF REIT, LLC), which is wholly-owned by Highland Global Allocation Fund, that invest in real estate transactions, or real estate operating companies, via debt and equity instruments.

If a potential investment is appropriate for either the Trust or another entity noted above, the Investment Adviser and its affiliates have an allocation policy that provides that opportunities will be allocated among those accounts for which participation in the respective opportunity is considered most appropriate, taking into account, among other considerations with respect to any real estate investments:

- which fund has available cash (including availability under lines of credit) to acquire the investment;
- whether there are any positive or negative income tax effects on any of the funds relating to the purchase;
- whether the investment opportunity creates geographic, asset class or tenant concentration / diversification concerns for any of the funds;
- how the investment size, potential leverage, transaction structure and anticipated cash flows affect each fund, including earnings and distribution coverage; and
- whether one or more of the funds has an existing relationship with the tenant(s), operator, facility or system associated with the investment, or a significant geographic presence that would make the investment strategically more important.

The Investment Adviser will allocate investment opportunities across the entities for which such opportunities are appropriate, consistent with its internal conflict of interest and allocation policies. As noted above, the Investment Adviser will seek to allocate investment opportunities among such entities in a manner that is fair and equitable over time and consistent with its allocation policy. However, there is no assurance that such investment opportunities will be allocated to the Trust fairly or equitably in the short-term or over time and there can be no assurance that the Trust will be able to participate in all such investment opportunities that are suitable for the Trust.

#### *No-Action Letter and Exemptive Order*

The Commission staff, through a No-Action Letter dated June 26, 2013, has stated that it will not recommend enforcement action if the Trust utilizes Rule 486(b) of the Securities Act to file post-effective amendments to its shelf registration statement in order to update the Trust's financial statements and make other non-material changes.

Additionally, the Trust, HCMFA and the Investment Adviser have obtained an exemptive order dated April 19, 2016 from the Commission to permit certain co-investments among the Trust and other accounts managed by the Investment Adviser or its affiliates, subject to certain conditions.

#### **ADMINISTRATOR/SUB-ADMINISTRATOR**

Under an administration agreement dated June 29, 2006 and amended June 6, 2008, (the "Administration Agreement"), the Investment Adviser provides administration services to the Trust, provides executive and other personnel necessary to administer the

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Trust and furnishes office space. Some of the administrative services provided by the Investment Adviser under the Administration Agreement, include, but are not limited to:

- preparing and coordinating the Trust's state filings;
- determining and overseeing publication of the Trust's NAV and distribution amounts;
- overseeing and liaising with services providers, such as the custodian and transfer agent;
- monitoring leverage compliance;
- coordinating the negotiation of credit agreements and other agreements with counterparties;
- investigating customer complaints;
- determining and monitoring expense accruals;
- authorizing expenditures and bill payments on behalf of the Trust; and
- performing such additional administrative duties as requested by the Trust.

Effective June 14, 2012, NexPoint Advisors, L.P. became the investment advisor and administrator to the Trust. Prior to June 14, 2012, HCMFA was the investment advisor and administrator to the Trust. The Investment Adviser will receive an annual fee, payable monthly, in an amount equal to 0.20% of the average weekly value of the Trust's Managed Assets. The Investment Adviser earned for administration services \$1,083,853 in fees for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016, \$1,170,744 in fees for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017, and \$959,793 in fees for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018. The Investment Adviser may waive a portion of its fees.

As of October 1, 2018, under a separate sub-administration agreement, NexPoint has delegated certain administrative functions to SEI Investments Global Funds Services ("SEI"), One Freedom Valley Drive, Oaks, Pennsylvania 19456, and pays SEI a portion of the fee it receives from the Trust. Under the sub-administration agreement, SEI has agreed to provide fund accounting services; asset data services; fund administration and reporting services; and regulatory administration services, including preparation and filing of various reports with the appropriate regulatory agencies and the SEC for the Trust.

## **PORTFOLIO MANAGER**

The Trust's portfolio manager is James Dondero. Mr. Dondero has managed the portfolio since September 2012. His investment decisions are not subject to the oversight, approval or ratification of a committee.

Mr. Dondero has over 25 years of experience in the credit markets. In addition to his role at the Investment Adviser, Mr. Dondero is the co-founder and President of Highland Capital Management, L.P. and NexPoint Advisors, L.P. Mr. Dondero has over 30 years of experience investing in credit and equity markets and has helped pioneer credit asset classes. Prior to founding Highland Capital Management in 1993, Mr. Dondero served as Chief Investment Officer of Protective Life's GIC subsidiary and helped grow the business from concept to over \$2 billion between 1989 and 1993. His portfolio management experience includes mortgage-backed securities, investment grade corporates, leveraged bank loans, high-yield bonds, emerging market debt, real estate, derivatives, preferred stocks and common stocks. From 1985 to 1989, he managed approximately \$1 billion in fixed income funds for American Express. Mr. Dondero received a BS in Commerce (Accounting and Finance) from the University of Virginia, and is a Certified Managerial Accountant. Mr. Dondero has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation. Mr. Dondero currently serves as Chairman of NexBank SSB and serves on the Board of Directors of American Banknote Corporation, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, Jernigan Capital, Inc., Cornerstone Healthcare Group, and Texmark Timber Treasury, L.P.

The SAI provides additional information about the portfolio manager's compensation, other accounts managed by the portfolio manager and the portfolio manager's ownership of securities issued by the Trust.

## **Determination of Net Asset Value**

The NAV of the common shares of the Trust is computed based upon the value of the Trust's investment portfolio securities and other assets. NAV per common share is determined daily on each day that the NYSE is open for business as of the close of the regular trading session on the NYSE, usually 4:00 p.m., Eastern time. The NYSE is open Monday through Friday, but currently is scheduled to

be closed on New Year's Day, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Presidents' Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day or on the preceding Friday or subsequent Monday when a holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday, respectively. The Trust calculates NAV per common share by subtracting liabilities (including accrued expenses or dividends) from the total assets of the Trust (the value of the securities plus cash or other assets, including interest accrued but not yet received) and dividing the result by the total number of outstanding common shares of the Trust.

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**VALUATIONS**

The Trust uses the following valuation methods to determine either current market value for investments for which market quotations are available or, if not available, the fair value, as determined in good faith pursuant to policies and procedures approved by the Board:

- The market value of each security listed or traded on any recognized securities exchange or automated quotation system will be the last reported sale price at the relevant valuation date on the composite tape or on the principal exchange on which such security is traded, except that debt securities that are not credit-impaired and have remaining maturities of 60 days or less will be valued at amortized cost, a method of valuation that approximates market value. If no sale is reported on that date, or for over-the-counter securities, the Investment Adviser utilizes, when available, pricing quotations from principal market makers. Such quotations may be obtained from third-party pricing services or directly from investment brokers and dealers in the secondary market. Generally, the Trust's loan and bond positions are not traded on exchanges and consequently are valued based on market prices received from third-party pricing services or broker-dealer sources.
- Dividends declared but not yet received, and rights in respect of securities which are quoted ex-dividend or ex-rights, will be recorded at the fair value thereof, as determined by the Investment Adviser, which may (but need not) be the value so determined on the day such securities are first quoted ex-dividend or ex-rights.
- Listed options, or over-the-counter options for which representative brokers' quotations are available, will be valued in the same manner as listed or over-the-counter securities as hereinabove provided. Premiums for the sale of such options written by the Trust will be included in the assets of the Trust, and the market value of such options shall be included as a liability.
- The Trust's non-marketable investments for which market quotations are not readily will generally be valued in such manner as the Investment Adviser determines in good faith to reflect their fair values under procedures established by, and under the general supervision and responsibility of, the Board. The pricing of all assets that are fair valued in this manner will be subsequently reported to and ratified by the Board. Pursuant to the Trust's pricing procedures, securities for which market quotations are not readily available may include securities that are subject to legal or contractual restrictions on resale, securities for which no or limited trading activity has occurred for a period of time, or securities that are otherwise deemed to be illiquid (i.e., securities that cannot be disposed of within seven days at approximately the price at which the security is currently priced by the Trust). Swaps and other derivatives would generally fall under this category.

When determining the fair value of an asset, the Investment Adviser seeks to determine the price that the Trust might reasonably expect to receive from the current sale of that asset in an arm's-length transaction. Fair value is defined as the amount for which assets could be sold in an orderly disposition over a reasonable period of time, taking into account the nature of the asset. Fair value determinations are based upon all available factors that the Investment Adviser deems relevant. Fair value pricing, however, involves judgments that are inherently subjective and inexact, since fair valuation procedures are used only when it is not possible to be sure what value should be attributed to a particular asset or when an event will affect the market price of an asset and to what extent. As a result, fair value pricing may not reflect actual market value, and it is possible that the fair value determined for a security will be materially different from the value that actually could be or is realized upon the sale of that asset.



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### Distributions

Subject to market conditions, the Trust expects to declare dividends on the Trust's common shares on a monthly basis. The Trust intends to pay any net capital gain distributions annually.

Various factors will affect the level of the Trust's current income and current gains, such as its asset mix and the Trust's use of options and other derivative transactions. To permit the Trust to maintain more stable monthly dividends and annual capital gain distributions, the Trust may from time to time distribute less than the entire amount of income and gains earned in the relevant month or year, respectively. The undistributed income and gains would be available to supplement future distributions. As a result, the distributions paid by the Trust for any particular period may be more or less than the amount of income and gains actually earned by the Trust during the applicable period. Undistributed income and gains will add to the Trust's NAV, and, correspondingly, distributions from previously undistributed income and gains, as well as from capital, if any, will be deducted from the Trust's NAV.

Shareholders will automatically receive newly issued common shares for all dividends declared for common shares of the Trust in accordance with the Trust's Dividend Reinvestment Plan unless an election is made to receive cash. Participants requesting a sale of securities through the plan agent of the Trust's Dividend Reinvestment Plan are subject to a sales fee and a brokerage commission. See "Dividend Reinvestment Plan."

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Unless the registered owner of common shares elects to receive cash by contacting the Plan Agent, all dividends declared for the common shares of the Trust will be automatically paid in the form of, or reinvested by Global Shares ("Global Shares" or the "Plan Agent") in, common shares of the Trust purchased in the open market at prevailing market prices. If you are a registered owner of common shares and elect not to participate in the Plan, you will receive all dividends or other distributions (together, a "dividend") in cash paid by check mailed directly to you (or, if the shares are held in street or other nominee name, then to such nominee) by American Stock Transfer and Trust Company LLC ("AST"), as dividend disbursing agent. You may elect not to participate in the Plan and to receive all dividends in cash by sending written instructions or by contacting AST, as dividend disbursing agent, at the address set forth below. Participation in the Plan is completely voluntary and may be terminated or resumed at any time without penalty by contacting the Plan Agent before the dividend record date; otherwise such termination or resumption will be effective with respect to any subsequently declared dividend. Some brokers may automatically elect to receive cash on your behalf and may reinvest that cash in additional shares of the Trust for you.

The Plan Agent will open an account for each shareholder under the Plan in the same name in which such shareholder's shares are registered. Whenever the Trust declares a dividend payable in cash, non-participants in the Plan will receive cash and participants in the Plan will receive the equivalent in newly issued common shares. The common shares will be acquired by the Plan Agent through receipt of additional unissued but authorized common shares from the Trust. The number of newly issued common shares to be credited to each participant's account will be determined by dividing the dollar amount of the dividend by the lesser of (i) the NAV per common share determined on the declaration date and (ii) the market price per common share as of the close of regular trading on the NYSE on the declaration date.

The Plan Agent maintains all shareholders' accounts in the Plan and furnishes written confirmation of all transactions in the accounts, including information needed by shareholders for tax records. Common shares in the account of each Plan participant will be held by the Plan Agent on behalf of the Plan participant, and each shareholder proxy will include those shares purchased or received pursuant to the Plan. The Plan Agent will forward all proxy solicitation materials to participants and vote proxies for shares held under the Plan in accordance with the instructions of the participants.

In the case of shareholders such as banks, brokers or nominees which hold shares for others who are the beneficial owners, the Plan Agent will administer the Plan on the basis of the number of common shares certified from time to time by the record shareholder's name and held for the account of beneficial owners who participate in the Plan.

There will be no brokerage charges with respect to common shares issued directly by the Trust. The automatic reinvestment of dividends will not relieve participants of any tax that may be payable (or required to be withheld) on such dividends. Accordingly, any taxable dividend received by a participant that is reinvested in additional common shares will be subject to U.S. federal (and possibly state and local) income tax even though such participant will not receive a corresponding amount of cash with which to pay such taxes. See "Tax Matters."

There will be no brokerage charges with respect to common shares issued directly by the Trust. Participants who request a sale of shares through the Plan Agent pay a brokerage commission of \$0.4 per share sold.

The Trust reserves the right to amend or terminate the Plan. There is no direct service charge to participants in the Plan; however, the Trust reserves the right to amend the Plan to include a service charge payable by the participants.

All correspondence concerning the Plan should be directed to the Plan Agent at Global Shares, 111 Town Square Place, Suite 1401, Jersey City, NJ 07310; telephone (732) 256-1005.

**Shareholder Loyalty Program**

To promote loyalty and long-time alignment of interests among the Trust's shareholders, the Investment Adviser offers an incentive to shareholders that buy and hold the Trust's common shares for a period of at least twelve months through its Shareholder Loyalty Plan (the "Plan"). To participate in the Plan, existing shareholders must open an account (the "Account") with the Plan's administrator, Global Shares. Subsequently, if a participant makes contributions to the Account during a defined trading period to purchase shares, NexPoint will make a corresponding contribution on such participant's behalf (the "Gross-up"). The Gross-up is determined by NexPoint and may be adjusted at any point without notice by NexPoint prospectively from time to time in accordance with the terms of the Plan. For example, if a participant contributes \$10,000 to the Account during a defined trading period to purchase

shares and NexPoint has determined the participant's Gross-up will be 2%, NexPoint will make a corresponding contribution of \$200, or 2% of the total \$10,000, to purchase additional Shares for the participant (the "Gross-up Shares"). In addition, Plan participants will not be required to pay any customary purchase commissions or distribution fees on the purchase of shares under the Plan.

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NexPoint will pay all expenses incident to the purchase of shares under the Plan and for operation of the Plan, including the costs of recordkeeping, accounting fees, legal fees and the costs of delivery of stock certificates, if any, to participants; provided, however, that NexPoint will not pay any expenses incurred in connection with any sale or transfer of shares credited to a participant's Account. Expenses incurred in connection with any such sales will be deducted from the proceeds of sale prior to any remittance to the participant.

While the portion of the Trust's common shares that are acquired through the participant's contribution will vest immediately, the Gross-up Shares will not vest until the first anniversary of the date that the Gross-up Shares were purchased. Vested shares and Gross-up Shares will be held in the Account with Global Shares' broker, Maxim Group, LLC ("Maxim"). A participant may not sell or otherwise withdraw, pledge, transfer, assign, hypothecate or dispose of any Gross-up Shares prior to the date on which they become vested Shares. Under the Plan, participants must contribute a minimum of \$2,500 for purchases of shares in the initial contribution and each subsequent monthly contribution unless NexPoint, in its sole discretion, decides to permit contributions for a lesser amount. The maximum monthly contribution limit under the Plan is \$1,000,000, which amount may be adjusted from time to time by NexPoint in its sole discretion.

All dividends received on shares that are purchased under the Plan will be automatically reinvested through the Plan. Shares acquired through the reinvestment of dividends paid to the holder of a vested share will vest immediately. Shares acquired through the reinvestment of dividends paid to the holder of a non-vested Gross-up share will vest on the first anniversary of the reinvest date. In addition, for dividends paid to holders of vested shares, NexPoint will provide a Gross-up on the amount of such reinvested dividends.

Maxim maintains all shareholders' accounts in the Plan and, upon request, furnishes written confirmation of all transactions in the accounts, including information needed by shareholders for tax records. Shares in the account of each Plan participant will be held by Maxim on behalf of the Plan participant, and each shareholder proxy will include those shares purchased or received pursuant to the Plan. Maxim will forward all proxy solicitation materials to participants and vote proxies for shares held under the Plan in accordance with the instructions of the participants.

In the case of shareholders such as banks, brokers or nominees which hold shares for others who are the beneficial owners, Global Shares and Maxim will administer the Plan on the basis of the number of common shares certified from time to time by the record shareholder's name and held for the account of beneficial owners who participate in the Plan.

NexPoint reserves the right to amend or terminate the Plan. To help align the interests of NexPoint's employees with the interests of the Trust's shareholders, NexPoint also offers the Plan to its employees.

Participants in the Plan should be aware that their receipt of Gross-up Shares under the Plan constitutes taxable income to them. In addition, such participants owe taxes on that portion of any distribution that constitutes taxable income in respect of shares of our common stock held in their Plan accounts, whether or not such shares of common stock have vested in the hands of the participants. To the extent any payments or distributions under the Plan are subject to U.S. federal, state or local taxes, the Trust, any participating affiliate of the Trust or the agent for the Plan may satisfy its tax withholding obligation by (1) withholding shares allocated to the participant's account or (2) deducting cash from the participant's account. Plan participants should consult their tax advisers regarding the tax consequences to them of participating in the Plan.

The Plan may create an incentive for shareholders to invest additional amounts in the Trust. Because the Adviser's management fee is based on a percentage of the assets of the Trust, the Plan will result in increased net revenues to NexPoint if the increase in the management fee due to the increased asset base offsets the costs associated with establishing and maintaining the Plan.

## **Description of Capital Structure**

This Prospectus contains a summary of the preferred shares and subscription rights available in an Offering. These summaries are not meant to be a complete description of each security. However, this Prospectus will contain the material terms and conditions for each security.

Any of the securities described herein may be issued separately or as part of a unit consisting of two or more securities (for example, common shares and rights), which may or may not be separable from one another. If such units are publicly offered, they and their underlying securities will be registered under the Securities Act prior to completion of the offering.

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The Trust's Agreement and Declaration of Trust provides that the Board may authorize and issue preferred shares with rights as determined by the Board, by action of the Board without the approval of the holders of the common shares. Holders of common shares have no preemptive right to purchase any preferred shares that might be issued. Whenever preferred shares are outstanding, the Trust will not be permitted to declare any distributions from the Trust unless all accrued dividends on preferred shares have been paid, unless asset coverage (as defined in the Investment Company Act) with respect to preferred shares would be at least 200% after giving effect to the distributions and unless certain other requirements imposed by any rating agencies rating the preferred shares have been met.

Currently, an unlimited number of the Trust's shares have been classified by the Board as preferred shares, par value \$0.001 per share. The terms of such preferred shares may be fixed by the Board and would materially limit and/or qualify the rights of the holders of the Trust's common shares. Although the terms of any preferred shares, including dividend rate, liquidation preference and redemption provisions, will be determined by the Board, subject to applicable law and the Trust's Agreement and Declaration of Trust, it is likely that the preferred shares will be structured to carry a relatively short-term dividend rate reflecting interest rates on short-term bonds, by providing for the periodic redetermination of the dividend rate at relatively short intervals through an auction, remarketing or other procedure. The Trust also believes that it is likely that the liquidation preference, voting rights and redemption provisions of the preferred shares will be similar to those stated below.

*Liquidation Preference.* In the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Trust, the holders of preferred shares will be entitled to receive a preferential liquidating distribution, which is expected to equal the original purchase price per preferred share plus accrued and unpaid dividends, whether or not declared, before any distribution of assets is made to holders of common shares. After payment of the full amount of the liquidating distribution to which they are entitled, the holders of preferred shares will not be entitled to any further participation in any distribution of assets by the Trust.

*Voting Rights.* The Investment Company Act requires that the holders of any preferred shares, voting separately as a single class, have the right to elect at least two trustees at all times. The remaining trustees will be elected by holders of common shares and preferred shares, voting together as a single class. In addition, subject to the prior rights, if any, of the holders of any other class of senior securities outstanding, the holders of any preferred shares have the right to elect a majority of the trustees of the Trust at any time two years' dividends on any preferred shares are unpaid. The Investment Company Act also requires that, in addition to any approval by shareholders that might otherwise be required, the approval of the holders of a majority of any outstanding preferred shares, voting separately as a class, would be required to (i) adopt any plan of reorganization that would adversely affect the preferred shares, and (ii) take any action requiring a vote of security holders under Section 13(a) of the Investment Company Act, including, among other things, changes in the Trust's subclassification as a closed-end investment company or changes in its fundamental investment restrictions. As a result of these voting rights, the Trust's ability to take any such actions may be impeded to the extent that there are any preferred shares outstanding. The Board presently intends that, except as otherwise indicated in this Prospectus and except as otherwise required by applicable law, holders of preferred shares will have equal voting rights with holders of common shares (one vote per share, unless otherwise required by the Investment Company Act) and will vote together with holders of common shares as a single class.

The affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the outstanding preferred shares, voting as a separate class, will be required to amend, alter or repeal any of the preferences, rights or powers of holders of preferred shares that materially and adversely affect such preferences, rights or powers, or to increase or decrease the authorized number of preferred shares. The class vote of holders of preferred shares described above will in each case be in addition to any other vote required to authorize the action in question.

*Redemption, Purchase and Sale of Preferred Shares by the Trust.* The terms of the preferred shares are expected to provide that (i) they are redeemable by the Trust in whole or in part at the original purchase price per share plus accrued dividends per share, (ii) the Trust may tender for or purchase preferred shares, and (iii) the Trust may subsequently resell any shares so tendered for or purchased.

Any redemption or purchase of preferred shares by the Trust will reduce the leverage applicable to the common shares, while any resale of shares by the Trust will increase that leverage.

The discussion above describes the possible offering of preferred shares by the Trust. If the Board determines to proceed with such an offering, the terms of the preferred shares may be the same as, or different from, the terms described above, subject to applicable law and the Trust's Agreement and Declaration of Trust. The Board, without the approval of the holders of common shares, may authorize an offering of preferred shares or may determine not to authorize such an offering and may fix the terms of the preferred shares to be offered.

If preferred shares are offered in the future, such shares will be registered under the Securities Act prior to the offering.

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We may issue subscription rights to our shareholders to purchase preferred shares. Subscription rights may be issued independently or together with any other offered security and may or may not be transferable by the person purchasing or receiving the subscription rights. In connection with a subscription rights offering to our shareholders, we would distribute certificates evidencing the subscription rights and a Prospectus Supplement to our shareholders on the record date that we set for receiving subscription rights in such subscription rights offering.

The applicable Prospectus Supplement would describe the following terms of subscription rights in respect of which this Prospectus is being delivered:

- the period of time the offering would remain open;
- the title of such subscription rights;
- the exercise price for such subscription rights (or method of calculation thereof);
- the ratio of the offering;
- the number of such subscription rights issued to each shareholder;
- the extent to which such subscription rights are transferable and the market on which they may be traded if they are transferable;
- the date on which the right to exercise such subscription rights shall commence, and the date on which such right shall expire (subject to any extension);
- the extent to which such subscription rights include an over-subscription privilege with respect to unsubscribed securities and the terms of such over-subscription privilege;
- any termination right we may have in connection with such subscription rights offering; and
- any other terms of such subscription rights, including exercise, settlement and other procedures and limitations relating to the transfer and exercise of such subscription rights.

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Each subscription right would entitle the holder of the subscription right to purchase for cash such amount of preferred shares at such exercise price as shall in each case be set forth in, or be determinable as set forth in, the Prospectus Supplement relating to the subscription rights offered thereby. Under the Investment Company Act, we may generally only offer subscription rights that expire not later than 120 days after their issuance and are issued exclusively and ratably to a class or classes of our security holders. Subscription rights may be exercised at any time up to the close of business on the expiration date for such subscription rights set forth in the Prospectus Supplement. After the close of business on the expiration date, all unexercised subscription rights would become void.

Subscription rights may be exercised as set forth in the Prospectus Supplement relating to the subscription rights offered thereby. Upon receipt of payment and the subscription rights certificate properly completed and duly executed at the corporate trust office of the subscription rights agent or any other office indicated in the Prospectus Supplement we will forward, as soon as practicable, the preferred shares purchasable upon such exercise. To the extent permissible under applicable law, we may determine to offer any unsubscribed offered securities directly to persons other than shareholders, to or through agents, underwriters or dealers or through a combination of such methods, as set forth in the applicable Prospectus Supplement. The Trust's common shareholders will indirectly bear all of the expenses of any subscription rights offerings, regardless of whether the Trust's common shareholders exercise any subscription rights.

*Dilutive Effect*

The Trust may effectuate one or more rights offerings, as part of which the Trust will issue subscription rights. In any such event, shareholders who do not fully exercise their subscription rights should expect that they will, at the completion of a rights offering pursuant to this Prospectus, own a smaller proportional interest in the Trust than would otherwise be the case if they fully exercised their rights. We cannot state precisely the amount of any such dilution in share ownership because we do not know at this time what proportion of the shares will be purchased as a result of such rights offering. These shareholders will also experience a disproportionately greater decrease in their participation in the Trust's earnings and assets and their voting power than the increase the Trust will experience in its assets, potential earning power and voting interests due to such offering. These shareholders may also experience a decline in the market price of their shares, which often reflects to some degree announced or potential increases and decreases in NAV per share. This decrease could be more pronounced as the size of the offering and level of discounts increases. Further, if current shareholders do not purchase any shares to maintain their percentage interest, regardless of whether such offering is above or below the then current NAV, their voting power will be diluted.

*U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences of an Issuance of Subscription Rights to Common Shareholders*

The following is a summary of the material U.S. federal income tax consequences of an issuance of subscription rights to our common shareholders pursuant to this Prospectus (for purposes of this section, each such issuance is referred to as an "offer" and each subscription right, a "right"), under the provisions of the Code, U.S. Treasury regulations promulgated under the Code ("Treasury regulations"), and other applicable authority in effect as of the date of the Prospectus that are generally applicable to common shareholders who are "United States persons" within the meaning of the Code. This summary does not address any state, local, foreign or other tax consequences. These authorities may be changed, possibly with retroactive effect, or become subject to new legislative, administrative, or judicial interpretation. Common shareholders or other holders of rights should consult their tax advisors regarding the tax consequences, including U.S. federal, state, or local, or foreign or other tax consequences, relevant to their particular circumstances. This summary assumes that the rights are issued separately by the Trust and not as part of a unit consisting of two or more securities.

The Trust believes that the value of any right issued pursuant to an offer will not be includible in the income of a common shareholder at the time the right is issued, and the Trust will not report to the IRS that a common shareholder has income as a result of the issuance of the right; however, depending on the specific terms of the offer, there may be no guidance directly on point concerning certain aspects of the taxation of the offer. The remainder of this discussion assumes that the receipt of the rights by common shareholders will not be a taxable event for U.S. federal income tax purposes.



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The basis of a right issued to a common shareholder will be zero, and the basis of the common share(s) with respect to which the right was issued (the “Old Share(s)”) will remain unchanged, except that the shareholder must allocate its basis in the Old Share(s) between the Old Shares and the right in proportion to their respective fair market values on the date of distribution of the right if (i) either (a) the fair market value of the right on the date of distribution is at least 15% of the fair market value of the Old Share(s) on that date, or (b) the shareholder affirmatively elects (in the manner set out in Treasury regulations) to allocate to the right a portion of the basis of the Old Share(s), and (ii) the right does not expire unexercised in the hands of the shareholder (i.e., the shareholder either exercises or sells the right following its issuance). In compliance with Treasury regulations, the Trust will report to the common shareholders and to the IRS within 45 days of the distribution of the rights (or, if earlier, January 15 of the year following the calendar year of the distribution), either by mail or on the Trust’s website, the effect, if any, of the offer on the common shareholders’ basis in their Old Shares. Any determination the Trust makes with respect to the value of the rights in connection with this reporting requirement will not be binding on the IRS. Shareholders should consult with their tax advisers to determine the proper allocation, if any, of tax basis between rights and Old Shares, including whether the election described above would be appropriate for their situation.

No loss will be recognized by a common shareholder if a right distributed to such shareholder expires unexercised in the hands of such shareholder.

The basis of a right purchased in the market generally will be its purchase price. If a right that has been purchased in the market expires unexercised, the holder will recognize a loss equal to the basis of the right.

Any gain or loss on the sale of a right or, in the case of rights purchased in the market, any loss from a right that expires unexercised, will be a capital gain or loss if the right is held as a capital asset (which, in the case of rights issued to common shareholders, will normally depend on whether the Old Shares are held as capital assets), and will be a long-term capital gain or loss if the holding period of the right exceeds (or is deemed to exceed) one year. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitation. The holding period of a right issued to a common shareholder will include the holding period of the Old Share(s).

No gain or loss will be recognized by a holder upon the exercise of a right, and the basis of any common share acquired upon exercise (the “New Share”) will equal the sum of the basis, if any, of the right and the subscription price for the New Share. When a holder exercises a right, the holder’s holding period in the New Share(s) does not include the time during which the holder held the unexercised right; the holding period of the New Share(s) will begin no later than the date following the date of exercise of the right.

Employee retirement plans and other tax-exempt entities, including governmental plans, should also be aware that if they borrow in order to finance their exercise of rights, they may become subject to the tax on unrelated business taxable income (“UBTI”) under Section 511 of the Code. If any portion of an individual retirement account (“IRA”) is used as security for a loan, the portion so used may also be treated as distributed to the IRA depositor.

For more information relating to the U.S. federal income tax consequences of an investment in the Trust, see “Tax Matters” below and “Tax Matters” in the SAI.

### *U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences of an Issuance of Subscription Rights to Preferred Shareholders*

The following is a summary of the material U.S. federal income tax consequences of an issuance of subscription rights to our preferred shareholders pursuant to this Prospectus (for purposes of this section, each such issuance is referred to as an “offer” and each subscription right, a “right”), under the provisions of the Code, Treasury regulations, and other applicable authority in effect as of the date of the Prospectus that are generally applicable to preferred shareholders who are “United States persons” within the meaning of the Code. This summary does not address any state, local, foreign or other tax consequences. These authorities may be changed, possibly with retroactive effect, or become subject to new legislative, administrative, or judicial interpretation. Preferred shareholders or other holders of rights should consult their tax advisors regarding the tax consequences, including U.S. federal, state, or local, or foreign or other tax consequences, relevant to their particular circumstances. This summary assumes that the rights are issued separately by the Trust and not as part of a unit consisting of two or more securities.

The Trust believes that the value of any right issued pursuant to an offer will be includible in the income of a preferred shareholder at the time the right is issued, and the Trust will report to the IRS that a preferred shareholder has income as a result of the issuance of the right; however, depending on the specific terms of the offer, there may be no guidance directly on point concerning certain aspects of the taxation of the offer. The remainder of this discussion assumes that the receipt of the rights by preferred shareholders will be a taxable event for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

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The basis of a right issued to a preferred shareholder will be the value of the right that is taxable at the time of the issuance, and the basis of the preferred share(s) with respect to which the right was issued (the “Old Share(s)”) will remain unchanged.

In the event that a right received by a preferred shareholder expires unexercised, the preferred shareholder will recognize a loss equal to the value of the right that is taxable at the time of the issuance.

The basis of a right purchased in the market generally will be its purchase price. If a right that has been purchased in the market expires unexercised, the holder will recognize a loss equal to the basis of the right.

Any gain or loss on the sale of a right or, in the case of rights purchased in the market, any loss from a right that expires unexercised, will be a capital gain or loss if the right is held as a capital asset (which, in the case of rights issued to preferred shareholders, will normally depend on whether the Old Shares are held as capital assets), and will be a long-term capital gain or loss if the holding period of the right exceeds (or is deemed to exceed) one year. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitation. The holding period of a right issued to a preferred shareholder will not include the holding period of the Old Share(s).

No gain or loss will be recognized by a holder upon the exercise of a right, and the basis of any common share acquired upon exercise (the “New Share”) will equal the sum of the basis, if any, of the right and the subscription price for the New Share. When a holder exercises a right, the holder’s holding period in the New Share(s) does not include the time during which the holder held the unexercised right; the holding period of the New Share(s) will begin no later than the date following the date of exercise of the right.

Employee retirement plans and other tax-exempt entities, including governmental plans, should also be aware that if they borrow in order to finance their exercise of rights, they may become subject to the tax on unrelated business taxable income (“UBTI”) under Section 511 of the Code. If any portion of an individual retirement account (“IRA”) is used as security for a loan, the portion so used may also be treated as distributed to the IRA depositor.

For more information relating to the U.S. federal income tax consequences of an investment in the Trust, see “Tax Matters” below and “Tax Matters” in the SAI.

### *Previous Rights Offerings*

On January 18, 2008, the Trust offered subscription rights to its common shareholders. The net proceeds from this rights offering was \$143.6 million.

On May 8, 2017, the Trust offered subscription rights to its common shareholders. The net proceeds from this rights offering was \$139.9 million.

On May 10, 2018, the Trust offered subscription rights to its common shareholders. The net proceeds from this rights offering was \$201.8 million.

On April 30, 2019, the Trust offered subscription rights to its common shareholders. The net proceeds from this rights offering was \$239.9 million.

## **EMPLOYEE PLAN CONSIDERATIONS**

Shareholders whose shares are held in employee benefit plans subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (“ERISA”) or Section 4975 of the Code (including corporate savings and 401(k) plans, Keogh or H.R. 10 plans of self-employed individuals and individual retirement accounts) (each, a “Plan”) should be aware that additional contributions of cash to the Plan (other than rollover contributions or trustee-to-trustee transfers from other Plans) in order to exercise rights would be treated as contributions to such Plan and, when taken together with contributions previously made, may result in, among other things, excise taxes for excess or nondeductible contributions. In the case of Plans qualified under Section 401(a) of the Code and certain other retirement plans, additional cash contributions could cause the maximum contribution limitations of Section 415 of the Code or other qualification rules to be violated. In addition, there may be other adverse tax and ERISA consequences if rights are sold or transferred by a Plan.

Plans also should be aware that if they borrow in order to finance their exercise of rights, they may become subject to the tax on UBTI under Section 511 of the Code. If any portion of an IRA is used as security for a loan, the portion so used also is treated as distributed to the IRA depositor.

ERISA contains fiduciary responsibility requirements, and ERISA and the Code contain prohibited transaction rules that may affect the exercise or transfer of rights. Due to the complexity of these rules and the penalties for noncompliance, fiduciaries of Plans and other retirement plans should consult with their counsel and other advisers regarding the consequences of their exercise or transfer of rights under ERISA and the Code.

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The Trust currently leverages through borrowings from a committed facility, a master repurchase agreement and a revolving credit facility. The Trust has entered into the Committed Facility with BNP to borrow up to \$135,000,000. The Committed Facility has a rolling 90-day term (referred to as a “90-day evergreen”). Absent a default or termination event, as described in the Committed Facility, or the ratings decline as described in the following sentence, BNP is required to provide the Trust with 180 days’ notice prior to terminating or materially amending the Committed Facility. BNP has a termination right if BNP’s long-term credit rating declines three or more notches below its highest rating by any of Standard & Poor’s Ratings Services, Moody’s Investor Service, Inc. or Fitch Ratings, Ltd., during the period commencing on and including October 28, 2014 and ending on the date of such long-term credit rating decline. Upon any such termination, BNP shall pay the Trust a fee equal to 0.10% of the maximum amount of financing available on the termination date. The Trust pays interest on borrowed amounts under the Committed Facility at an annual rate of the one month LIBOR plus 0.60% to 1.30%, depending on the asset class of the underlying collateral. The Committed Facility agreement contains customary covenant and default provisions. When borrowings are made under the Committed Facility, collateral must be posted to an account with the Trust’s custodian, Bank of New York Mellon held for the benefit of BNP. Such borrowings constitute financial leverage.

The Trust has entered into an agreement with BNP Securities under which it may from time to time enter into reverse repurchase transactions pursuant to the terms of a master repurchase agreement and related annexes, dated as of November 16, 2017 (collectively the “Repurchase Agreement”). A reverse repurchase transaction is a repurchase transaction in which the Trust is the seller of securities or other assets and agrees to repurchase them at a date certain or on demand. Pursuant to the Repurchase Agreement, the Trust may agree to sell securities or other assets to BNP Securities for an agreed-upon price (the “Purchase Price”), with a simultaneous agreement to repurchase such securities or other assets from BNP Securities for the Purchase Price plus a price differential that is economically similar to interest. The price differential is negotiated for each transaction.

On August 14, 2018, the Trust, and two of its wholly-owned subsidiaries, NexPoint Real Estate Capital, LLC (“NREC”) and NexPoint Real Estate Opportunities, LLC (“NREO”), entered into a revolving credit agreement (the “KeyBank Facility”) with KeyBank National Association, as administrative agent and lender. Under the terms of the KeyBank Facility, the Trust, NREC and NREO may borrow up to \$60.0 million.

The KeyBank Facility has an initial term of two years, maturing on August 14, 2020, with one-year extension options outlined further in the credit agreement for the KeyBank Facility (the “KeyBank Credit Agreement”). Payments due pursuant to the KeyBank Facility are interest-only. The KeyBank Facility bears interest based on the type of borrowing. The ABR Loans bear interest at the lesser of (x) the Alternate Base Rate (as defined in the KeyBank Credit Agreement) plus the Applicable Rate, or (y) the Maximum Rate (as defined in the KeyBank Credit Agreement). The Eurodollar Loans bear interest at the lesser of (a) the Adjusted LIBO Rate (as defined in the KeyBank Credit Agreement) for the Interest Period in effect plus the Applicable Rate, or (b) the Maximum Rate (as defined in the KeyBank Credit Agreement). The Applicable Rate means for any Eurodollar Loan, 200 basis points, and for any ABR Loan, 100 basis points. Pursuant to the KeyBank Credit Agreement, the Trust is subject to certain loan compliance covenants.

The KeyBank Facility is fully recourse and is secured by Collateral (as defined in the KeyBank Credit Agreement). The KeyBank Facility may be prepaid or terminated at any time without penalty, provided, however, that KeyBank National Association shall be indemnified for any breakage costs.

Any senior security representing indebtedness, as defined in Section 18(g) of the Investment Company Act, must have asset coverage of at least 300%.

**Market and Net Asset Value Information**

The Trust’s common shares are listed on the NYSE under the symbol “NHF.” The Trust’s common shares commenced trading on the NYSE in June 2006. In the trading history of the Trust’s common shares, the Trust’s common shares have traded at both a premium and a discount to NAV. The Trust cannot predict whether its shares will trade in the future at a premium or discount to NAV. Issuance of additional common shares may have an adverse effect on prices in the secondary market for the Trust’s common shares by increasing the number of shares available, which may put downward pressure on the market price for the shares.

The following table sets forth, for each of the periods indicated, the high and low closing market prices of the Trust’s common shares on the NYSE, the corresponding NAV per share on such dates and the corresponding premium/discount to NAV per share on such dates. See “Net Asset Value” for information as to how the Trust’s NAV is determined.



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Quarter*	Market Price		Net Asset Value per Share		Premium/ (Discount) as a % of Net Asset Value	
	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low
1st Quarter 2017	\$23.75	\$22.54	\$ 26.47	\$ 25.01	(8.04)%	(11.62)%
2nd Quarter 2017	\$22.84	\$21.45	\$ 25.54	\$ 23.95	(6.46)%	(13.40)%
3rd Quarter 2017	\$23.05	\$21.85	\$ 25.22	\$ 23.95	(6.58)%	(12.77)%
4th Quarter 2017	\$25.40	\$23.11	\$ 26.61	\$ 24.85	(3.64)%	(9.05)%
1st Quarter 2018	\$24.72	\$22.25	\$ 25.64	\$ 24.78	(3.33)%	(10.48)%
2nd Quarter 2018	\$23.81	\$21.82	\$ 26.47	\$ 24.26	(7.65)%	(16.05)%
3rd Quarter 2018	\$23.11	\$21.99	\$ 24.98	\$ 23.98	(6.21)%	(10.79)%
4th Quarter 2018	\$22.50	\$18.71	\$ 24.48	\$ 23.22	(7.94)%	(19.66)%
1st Quarter 2019	\$21.08	\$19.33	\$ 23.54	\$ 22.61	(8.28)%	(15.77)%
2nd Quarter 2019	\$21.19	\$18.26	\$ 24.29	\$ 21.72	(8.36)%	(23.63)%

The Trust's NAV per common share at the close of business on August 23, 2019 (the last trading date prior to the date of this Prospectus on which the Trust determined its NAV) was \$21.22 and the last reported sale price of a common share on the NYSE on that day was \$18.08, a discount to NAV of 14.80%.

### Anti-Takeover Provisions in the Agreement and Declaration of Trust

The Agreement and Declaration of Trust includes provisions that could have the effect of limiting the ability of other entities or persons to acquire control of the Trust or to change the composition of its Board. This could have the effect of depriving shareholders of an opportunity to sell their shares at a premium over prevailing market prices by discouraging a third party from seeking to obtain control over the Trust. Such attempts could have the effect of increasing the expenses of the Trust and disrupting the normal operation of the Trust. The Board is divided into three classes, with the terms of one class expiring at each annual meeting of shareholders. At each annual meeting, one class of trustees is elected to a three-year term. This provision could delay for up to two years the replacement of a majority of the Board. A trustee may be removed from office (for cause, and not without cause) by the action of a majority of the remaining trustees followed by a vote of the holders of at least 75% of the shares then entitled to vote for the election of the respective trustee.

In addition, the Trust's Agreement and Declaration of Trust requires the favorable vote of a majority of the Board followed by the favorable vote of the holders of at least 75% of the outstanding shares of each affected class or series of the Trust, voting separately as a class or series, to approve, adopt or authorize certain transactions with 5% or greater holders of a class or series of shares and their associates, unless the transaction has been approved by at least 80% of the trustees, in which case "a majority of the outstanding voting securities" (as defined in the Investment Company Act) of the Trust shall be required. For purposes of these provisions, a 5% or greater holder of a class or series of shares (a "Principal Shareholder") refers to any person who, whether directly or indirectly and whether alone or together with its affiliates and associates, beneficially owns 5% or more of the outstanding shares of all outstanding classes or series of shares of beneficial interest of the Trust.

The 5% holder transactions subject to these special approval requirements are: the merger or consolidation of the Trust or any subsidiary of the Trust with or into any Principal Shareholder; the issuance of any securities of the Trust to any Principal Shareholder for cash, except pursuant to any automatic dividend reinvestment plan; the sale, lease or exchange of all or any substantial part of the assets of the Trust to any Principal Shareholder, except assets having an aggregate fair market value of less than 2% of the total assets of the Trust, aggregating for the purpose of such computation all assets sold, leased or exchanged in any series of similar transactions within a twelve-month period; or the sale, lease or exchange to the Trust or any subsidiary of the Trust, in exchange for securities of the Trust, of any assets of any Principal Shareholder, except assets having an aggregate fair market value of less than 2% of the total assets of the Trust, aggregating for purposes of such computation all assets sold, leased or exchanged in any series of similar transactions within a twelve-month period.

To convert the Trust to an open-end investment company, the Trust's Agreement and Declaration of Trust requires the favorable vote of a majority of the board of the trustees followed by the favorable vote of the holders of at least 75% of the outstanding shares of each affected class or series of shares of the Trust, voting separately as a class or series, unless such amendment has been approved by at least 80% of the trustees, in which case "a majority of the outstanding voting securities" (as defined in the Investment Company Act) of the Trust shall be required. The foregoing vote would satisfy a separate requirement in the Investment Company Act that any

conversion of the Trust to an open-end investment company be approved by the shareholders. If approved in the foregoing manner, conversion of the Trust to an open-end investment company could not occur until 90 days after the shareholders' meeting at which

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such conversion was approved and would also require at least 30 days' prior notice to all shareholders. Following any such conversion, it is possible that certain of the Trust's investment policies and strategies would have to be modified to assure sufficient portfolio liquidity. In the event of conversion, the common shares would cease to be listed on the NYSE or other national securities exchanges or market systems. Shareholders of an open-end investment company may require the company to redeem their shares at any time, except in certain circumstances as authorized by or under the Investment Company Act, at their NAV, less such redemption charge, if any, as might be in effect at the time of a redemption. The Trust expects to pay all such redemption requests in cash, but reserves the right to pay redemption requests in a combination of cash and securities. If such partial payment in securities were made, investors may incur brokerage costs in converting such securities to cash. If the Trust were converted to an open-end fund, it is likely that new shares would be sold at NAV plus a sales load. The Board believes, however, that the closed-end structure is desirable in light of the Trust's investment objectives and policies. Therefore, you should assume that it is not likely that the Board would vote to convert the Trust to an open-end fund.

For the purposes of calculating "a majority of the outstanding voting securities" under the Trust's Agreement and Declaration of Trust, each class and series of the Trust shall vote together as a single class, except to the extent required by the Investment Company Act or the Trust's Agreement and Declaration of Trust, with respect to any class or series of shares. If a separate class vote is required, the applicable proportion of shares of the class or series, voting as a separate class or series, also will be required.

The Agreement and Declaration of Trust also provides that the Trust may be liquidated upon the approval of 80% of the trustees.

The Board has determined that provisions with respect to the Board and the shareholder voting requirements described above, which voting requirements are greater than the minimum requirements under Delaware law or the Investment Company Act, are in the best interest of shareholders generally. Reference should be made to the Trust's Agreement and Declaration of Trust, on file with the Commission, for the full text of these provisions, the material terms of which are summarized in this Prospectus.



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The Trust is a non-diversified, closed-end management investment company (commonly referred to as a closed-end fund). Closed-end funds differ from open-end funds (which are generally referred to as mutual funds) in that closed-end funds generally list their shares for trading on a stock exchange and do not redeem their shares at the request of the shareholder. This means that if you wish to sell your shares of a closed-end fund you must trade them on the market like any other stock at the prevailing market price at that time. In a mutual fund, if the shareholder wishes to sell shares of the fund, the mutual fund will redeem or buy back the shares at NAV (less a redemption fee, if applicable, or contingent deferred sales charge, if applicable). Also, mutual funds generally offer new shares on a continuous basis to new investors, and closed-end funds generally do not. The continuous inflows and outflows of assets in a mutual fund can make it difficult to manage a mutual fund's investments. By comparison, closed-end funds are generally able to stay more fully invested in securities that are consistent with their investment objective and also have greater flexibility to make certain types of investments and to use certain investment strategies, such as financial leverage and investments in illiquid securities.

Shares of closed-end funds frequently trade at a discount to their NAV. Because of this possibility and the recognition that any such discount may not be in the interest of shareholders, the Board might consider from time to time engaging in open-market repurchases, tender offers for shares or other programs intended to reduce the discount. We cannot guarantee or assure, however, that the Board will decide to engage in any of these actions, nor is there any guarantee or assurance that such actions, if undertaken, would result in the shares trading at a price equal or close to NAV per share. The Board might also consider converting the Trust to an open-end mutual fund, which would also require a vote of the shareholders of the Trust.

**Repurchase of Common Shares; Discount**

Shares of closed-end investment companies often trade at a discount to their NAV, and the Trust's common shares may also trade at a discount to their NAV, although it is possible that they may trade at a premium above NAV. The market price of the Trust's common shares will be determined by such factors as relative demand for and supply of such common shares in the market, the Trust's NAV, general market and economic conditions and other factors beyond the control of the Trust. See "Net Asset Value." Although the Trust's common shareholders will not have the right to redeem their common shares, the Trust may take action to repurchase common shares in the open market or make tender offers for its common shares. This may have the effect of reducing any market discount from NAV. The Board may decide not to take any of these actions. In addition, there can be no assurance that share repurchases or tender offers, if undertaken, will reduce market discount. On November 2, 2016, the Board approved a share repurchase program (the "Repurchase Program") pursuant to which the Trust may repurchase, over a six-month period beginning in December 2016, up to \$10 million of its shares of its outstanding shares in open-market transactions. In connection with the May 8, 2017 rights offering, the Board approved the extension of the Repurchase Program for a period of one year from the closing of the rights offering. As of the date of this Prospectus, the Trust has not completed any repurchases.

The amount and timing of the repurchases will be at the discretion of the Trust's Investment Adviser, subject to market conditions and investment considerations. There is no assurance that the Trust will purchase shares at any particular discount levels or in any particular amounts. Any repurchases made under the Repurchase Program would be made on a national securities exchange at the prevailing market price, subject to exchange requirements regarding volume, timing and other limitations under federal securities laws.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, at any time when there are outstanding borrowings, the Trust may not purchase, redeem or otherwise acquire any of its common shares unless (i) all accrued preferred shares dividends have been paid, and (ii) at the time of such purchase, redemption or acquisition, the NAV of the Trust's portfolio (determined after deducting the acquisition price of the common shares) is at least 200% of the liquidation value of the outstanding borrowings. Any service fees incurred in connection with any tender offer made by the Trust will be borne by the Trust and will not reduce the stated consideration to be paid to tendering shareholders.

There is no assurance that, if action is undertaken to repurchase or tender for common shares, such action will result in the common shares trading at a price which approximates their NAV. Although share repurchases and tenders could have a favorable effect on the market price of the Trust's common shares, you should be aware that the acquisition of common shares by the Trust will decrease the capital of the Trust and, therefore, may have the effect of increasing the Trust's expense ratio and decreasing the asset coverage with respect to any borrowings. Any share repurchases or tender offers will be made in accordance with requirements of the Exchange Act, the Investment Company Act, and the principal stock exchange on which the common shares are traded. See the Trust's SAI for a discussion of the U.S. federal income tax implications of a repurchase or tender offer by the Trust.

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Before deciding whether to take any action if the common shares trade below NAV, the Board would likely consider all relevant factors, including the extent and duration of the discount, the liquidity of the Trust's portfolio, the impact of any action that might be taken on the Trust or its shareholders and market considerations. Based on these considerations, even if the Trust's shares should trade at a discount, the Board may determine that, in the interest of the Trust and its shareholders, no action should be taken.

### **Tax Matters**

The following is a general summary of some of the important U.S. federal income tax considerations affecting the Trust and its common or preferred shareholders that are "United States persons" within the meaning of the Code, and does not address any state, local, foreign or other tax consequences. It reflects provisions of the Code, existing Treasury regulations, and other applicable authority, as of the date of this Prospectus. These authorities may be changed, possibly with retroactive effect, or become subject to new legislative, administrative, or judicial interpretations. This summary does not purport to be a complete description of the U.S. federal income tax considerations applicable to common or preferred shareholders of the Trust. For example, it does not describe certain tax considerations that may be relevant to certain types of holders subject to special treatment under the U.S. federal income tax laws, including shareholders subject to the U.S. federal alternative minimum tax, insurance companies, tax-exempt organizations, pension plans and trusts, RICs, dealers in securities, shareholders holding Trust shares through tax-advantaged accounts (such as 401(k) plans or IRAs), financial institutions, persons who are neither citizens nor residents of the United States, and shareholders holding Trust shares as part of a hedge, straddle, or conversion transaction. This summary assumes that investors hold Trust common or preferred shares as capital assets (within the meaning of the Code). Your investment in the Trust may have other tax implications. Please consult your tax advisor about U.S. federal, state, local, foreign or other tax laws applicable to you, as the tax consequences to an investor in the Trust's common or preferred shares will depend on the facts of his, her or its particular situation. For more information, including a summary of certain tax consequences of investing in the Trust for non-U.S. persons, please see the SAI under "Tax Matters."

This summary does not discuss the tax consequences of an investment in subscription rights of the Trust, separately, or as part of a unit consisting of two or more securities. See "Description of Capital Structure—U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences of an Issuance of Subscription Rights to Common Shareholders" above for a discussion of the material U.S. federal income tax consequences of the Trust's issuance of subscription rights to common shareholders.

The Trust has elected to be treated as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code and intends each year to qualify and to be eligible to be treated as such. In order to qualify for the special tax treatment accorded RICs and their shareholders, the Trust must, among other things:

- (i) derive at least 90% of its gross income for each taxable year from: (a) dividends, interest (including tax-exempt interest), payments with respect to certain securities loans, gains from the sale or other disposition of stock, securities or foreign currencies, or other income (including but not limited to gains from options, futures and forward contracts) derived with respect to its business of investing in such stock, securities or foreign currencies; and (b) net income derived from interests in "qualified publicly traded partnerships";
- (ii) diversify its holdings so that, at the end of each quarter of the Trust's taxable year, (a) at least 50% of the market value of the Trust's total assets consists of cash and cash items, U.S. government securities, the securities of other RICs and other securities limited, in respect of any one issuer, to an amount not greater than 5% of the value of the Trust's total assets and not more than 10% of the outstanding voting securities of such issuer, and (b) not more than 25% of the value of the Trust's total assets is invested, including through corporations in which the Trust owns a 20% or more voting stock interest, (x) in the securities (other than U.S. government securities and the securities of other RICs) of any one issuer or of two or more issuers that the Trust controls, as determined under applicable Code rules, and that are determined to be engaged in the same business or similar or related trades or businesses, or (y) in the securities of one or more "qualified publicly traded partnerships"; and
- (iii) distribute to its shareholders with respect to each taxable year at least the sum of 90% of its "investment company taxable income" (as that term is defined in the Code, without regard to the deduction for dividends paid—generally taxable ordinary income and the excess, if any, of net short-term capital gains over net long-term capital losses) and 90% of any net tax-exempt interest income, for such year.

In general, a RIC is not subject to tax at the corporate level on income and gains from investments that are distributed in a timely manner to shareholders in the form of dividends, provided the RIC complies with these ongoing requirements. If the Trust were to fail to comply with the income, diversification or distribution requirements, the Trust could in some cases cure such failure, including by paying a Trust-level tax, paying interest, making additional distributions, or disposing of certain assets. If the Trust were ineligible to or otherwise did not cure such failure for any year or otherwise were to fail to qualify as a RIC accorded special tax treatment, the Trust

would be subject to Trust-level taxation on its taxable income at regular corporate rates and consequently the income available for distribution to shareholders would be reduced. Additionally, all of its distributions from earnings and profits

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(including from net long-term capital gains) would be taxable to shareholders as ordinary income. For individual shareholders who meet certain holding period requirements, such distribution would be eligible for reduced tax rates applicable to qualified dividend income. In addition, in some cases, the Trust could be required to recognize unrealized gains, pay substantial taxes and interest and make substantial distributions in order to re-qualify as a RIC.

Amounts not distributed on a timely basis in accordance with a calendar-year distribution requirement are subject to a nondeductible 4% federal excise tax at the Trust level. To avoid the tax, the Trust must distribute during each calendar year an amount at least equal to the sum of (i) 98% of its ordinary income (not taking into account any capital gains or losses) for the calendar year, (ii) 98.2% of its capital gains in excess of its capital losses (adjusted for certain ordinary losses) for a one-year period generally ending on October 31 of the calendar year (unless an election is made to use the Trust's taxable year end) and (iii) any such undistributed income from the prior year. For these purposes, the Trust will be treated as having distributed any amount on which it has been subject to corporate income tax in the taxable year ending with the calendar year. The Trust reserves the right to pay the excise tax when circumstances warrant.

Certain of the Trust's investment practices, including Derivative Transactions, short sales and hedging activities generally, as well as the Trust's investments in certain types of securities, including loans or other debt obligations issued or purchased at a discount and preferred stock, may be subject to special and complex U.S. federal income tax provisions that may, among other things: (i) disallow, suspend or otherwise limit the allowance of certain losses or deductions, (ii) convert long-term capital gain or "qualified dividend income" into short-term capital gain or ordinary income taxable at higher rates, (iii) accelerate the recognition of income, (iv) convert short-term losses into long-term losses, (v) cause the Trust to recognize income or gain without a corresponding receipt of cash, (vi) adversely affect the time a purchase or sale of stock or other securities is deemed to occur, (vii) cause adjustments in the holding periods of the Trust's securities, or (viii) otherwise adversely alter the characterization of certain complex financial transactions. These U.S. federal income tax provisions could therefore affect the amount, timing and/or character of distributions to shareholders. In particular, the Trust expects that a substantial portion of the Trust's investments in loans and other debt obligations will be treated as having "market discount" and/or "original issue discount" for U.S. federal income tax purposes, which, in some cases, could be significant, and could cause the Trust to recognize income in respect of these investments before or without receiving cash representing such income. Accordingly, the Trust may be required to, among other things, dispose of securities, including at potentially disadvantageous times or prices, to obtain the cash needed to meet the distribution requirements for qualification as a RIC and to avoid incurring Trust-level U.S. federal income or excise taxes.

Investments in distressed debt obligations that are at risk of or are in default present special tax issues for the Trust. Tax rules are not entirely clear about issues such as whether and to what extent the Trust should recognize market discount on a distressed debt obligation; when the Trust may cease to accrue interest, original issue discount or market discount; when and to what extent the Trust may take deductions for bad debts or worthless securities and how the Trust should allocate payments received on obligations in default between principal and income. These and other related issues will be addressed by the Trust as necessary, in order to seek to ensure that it distributes sufficient income to preserve its eligibility for treatment as a RIC and that it does not become subject to Trust-level U.S. federal income or excise taxes.

Special tax rules may affect the treatment of gains and losses recognized by the Trust when the Trust invests in certain foreign debt securities or engages in foreign currency transactions. The application of these special rules may accelerate or increase the Trust's recognition of ordinary income or loss, and affect the timing, amount and/or character of distributions made by the Trust. In addition, dividend, interest, capital gains and other income received by the Trust from investments outside the United States may be subject to withholding and other taxes imposed by foreign countries. Tax treaties between the United States and other countries may reduce or eliminate such taxes. Shareholders generally will not be entitled separately to claim a credit or deduction with respect to such foreign taxes incurred by the Trust. This will decrease the Trust's yield on securities subject to such taxes. Foreign taxes paid by or withheld from the Trust will reduce the return from the Trust's underlying investments.

Distributions paid to shareholders by the Trust from its net realized long-term capital gains (that is, the excess of any net long-term capital gain over net short-term capital loss, in each case determined with reference to any loss carryforwards) that the Trust properly reports as capital gain dividends ("capital gain dividends") are generally taxable to you as long-term capital gains, regardless of how long you have held your shares. All other dividends paid to you by the Trust, including dividends from net investment income and from short-term capital gains (that is, the excess of any net short-term capital gain over any net long-term capital loss, in each case determined with reference to loss carryforwards), from its earnings and profits are generally taxable to you as ordinary income. Distributions of investment income properly reported by the Trust as derived from "qualified dividend income" will be taxed in the hands of individuals at the rates applicable to long-term capital gains, provided holding period and other requirements are met at both the shareholder and Trust levels. It is not generally expected that a significant portion of Trust distributions will qualify for favorable tax treatment as "qualified dividend income" or as income eligible for the dividend-received deduction for corporate shareholders.

The Trust will designate dividends made to holders of common shares and to holders of preferred shares in accordance with each class's proportionate share of each item of Trust income (such as net capital gains and other taxable income). A class's

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proportionate share of a particular type of income for a year is determined according to the percentage of total dividends paid by the Trust during that year to the class. Although the matter is not free from doubt, due to the absence of direct regulatory or judicial authority, under current law the manner in which the Trust intends to allocate items of ordinary income and net capital gain between the Trust's common shares and its preferred shares will be respected for federal income tax purposes. It is possible that the IRS could disagree and attempt to reallocate the Trust's net capital gain or other taxable income.

The Code generally imposes a 3.8% Medicare contribution tax on the "net investment income" of certain individuals, estates and trusts to the extent their income exceeds certain threshold amounts. Net investment income generally includes for this purpose dividends paid by the Trust, including any capital gain dividends and net capital gains recognized on the sale or exchange of shares of the Trust. Shareholders are advised to consult their tax advisors regarding the possible implications of this additional tax on their investment in the Trust.

If, for any taxable year, the Trust's total distributions exceed both current earnings and profits and accumulated earnings and profits, the excess will generally be treated as a tax-free return of capital up to the amount of your tax basis in the shares. The amount treated as a tax-free return of capital will reduce your tax basis in the shares, thereby increasing your potential gain or reducing your potential loss on a subsequent taxable disposition of the shares. Any amounts distributed to you in excess of your tax basis in the shares will be taxable to you as capital gain.

Dividends and other taxable distributions are taxable to you even if they are reinvested in additional shares of the Trust under the Trust's Dividend Reinvestment Plan. If your dividends and other distributions are reinvested in shares under the Dividend Reinvestment Plan, you generally will be treated as having received a dividend equal to either (i) if shares are purchased on the open market on your behalf, the amount of cash allocated to you for the purchase of such shares, or (ii) if newly issued shares are issued to you, generally, the fair market value of such new shares. Dividends and other distributions paid by the Trust are generally treated as received by you at the time the dividend or distribution is made. If, however, the Trust pays you a dividend in January that was declared and payable to shareholders of record in the previous October, November or December, then such dividend will be treated for tax purposes as being paid by the Trust and received by you on December 31 of the year in which the dividend was declared.

The price of shares purchased at any time may reflect either unrealized gains, or realized but undistributed income or gains. If you purchase shares just prior to a distribution, you will receive a distribution that may be taxable to you even though it economically represents in part a return of your invested capital.

Your broker or other intermediary will send you information after the end of each year setting forth the amount and tax status of any distributions paid to you by the Trust.

If you sell or otherwise dispose of shares of the Trust, you will generally recognize a gain or loss in an amount equal to the difference between your tax basis in such shares of the Trust and the amount you receive in exchange for such shares. Any such gain or loss generally will be long-term capital gain or loss if you have held (or are treated as having held) such shares for more than one year at the time of sale. All or a portion of any loss you realize on a taxable sale or exchange of your shares of the Trust will be disallowed if you acquire other shares of the Trust (whether through the automatic reinvestment of dividends or otherwise) within a 61-day period beginning 30 days before and ending 30 days after your sale or exchange of the shares. In such case, the basis of the shares acquired will be adjusted to reflect the disallowed loss. In addition, any loss realized upon a taxable sale or exchange of Trust shares held (or deemed held) by you for six months or less will be treated as long-term, rather than short-term, to the extent of any capital gain dividends received (or deemed received) by you with respect to those shares.

Your broker or other intermediary may be required to withhold, for U.S. federal backup withholding tax purposes, a portion of the dividends, distributions and redemption proceeds payable to an individual shareholder who fails to provide the broker or other intermediary with the shareholder's correct taxpayer identification number (in the case of an individual, generally, such individual's social security number) or to make the required certification, or who has been notified by the IRS that such shareholder is subject to backup withholding. Certain shareholders are exempt from backup withholding. Backup withholding is not an additional tax and any amount withheld may be refunded or credited against your U.S. federal income tax liability, if any, provided that you furnish the required information to the IRS.

Upon the sale or exchange of shares of the Trust, your broker or other intermediary generally will be required to provide you and the IRS with cost basis and certain other related tax information about the Trust shares you sold or exchanged. This cost basis reporting requirement is effective for shares purchased, including through dividend reinvestment, on or after January 1, 2012. Please consult your broker or other intermediary for more information regarding available methods for cost basis reporting and how to select a particular method. Please consult your tax advisor to determine which available cost basis method is best for you.



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**The discussions set forth herein and in the Statement of Additional Information do not constitute tax advice, and you are urged to consult your own tax advisor to determine the specific U.S. federal, state, local and foreign tax consequences to you of investing in the Trust.**

### **Custodian and Transfer Agent**

The custodian of the assets of the Trust and its wholly-owned subsidiaries is Bank of New York Mellon (240 Greenwich Street, New York, New York 10286). The custodian performs custodial services for the Trust. American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC (6201 15th Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11219; telephone (718) 921-8200) serves as the Trust's transfer agent with respect to its common shares.

### **Legal Opinion**

Certain legal matters in connection with the securities have been passed upon for the Trust by Smith, Katzenstein & Jenkins LLP, special Delaware counsel to the Trust.

### **Privacy Principles of the Trust**

The Trust is committed to maintaining the privacy of its shareholders and to safeguarding their non-public personal information. The following information is provided to help you understand what personal information the Trust collects, how the Trust protects that information and why, in certain cases, the Trust may share information with select other parties.

Generally, the Trust does not receive any non-public personal information relating to its shareholders, although certain non-public personal information of its shareholders may become available to the Trust. The Trust does not disclose any non-public personal information about its shareholders or former shareholders to anyone, except as permitted by law or as is necessary in order to service shareholder accounts (for example, to a transfer agent or third party administrator).

The Trust restricts access to non-public personal information about its shareholders to employees of the Trust's Investment Adviser and its affiliates with a legitimate business need for the information. The Trust maintains physical, electronic and procedural safeguards designed to protect the non-public personal information of its shareholders.

No dealer, salesperson or any other person has been authorized to give any information or to make any representations other than those contained in this Prospectus in connection with the Offer and, if given or made, such information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorized by the Trust or the Investment Adviser. This Prospectus does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of any offer to buy any security other than the common shares of the Trust offered by this Prospectus, nor does it constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of any offer to buy the common shares of the Trust by anyone in any jurisdiction in which such offer or solicitation is not authorized, or in which the person making such offer or solicitation is not qualified to do so, or to any such person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer or solicitation. Neither the delivery of this Prospectus nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that information contained herein is correct as of any time subsequent to the date hereof. However, if any material change occurs while this Prospectus is required by law to be delivered, the Prospectus will be amended or supplemented accordingly.

### **Where You Can Find Additional Information**

We have filed with the Commission a registration statement on Form N-2 together with all amendments and related exhibits under the Securities Act. The registration statement contains additional information about us and the securities being offered by this Prospectus.

We file annual and semi-annual reports, proxy statements and other information with the Commission. You can inspect any materials we file with the Commission, without charge, at the Commission's Public Reference Room at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the Commission at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the Public Reference Room. The information we file with the Commission is available free of charge by contacting us at 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201 or by telephone at 1-866-351-4440 or on our web site at [www.nexpointadvisors.com](http://www.nexpointadvisors.com). The Commission also maintains a web site that contains reports, proxy



statements and other information regarding registrants, including us, that file such information electronically with the Commission. The address of the Commission's web site is [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). Unless specifically incorporated into this Prospectus, documents contained on our web site or on the Commission's web site about us are not incorporated into this Prospectus and should not be considered to be part of this Prospectus.

### Legal Proceedings

The Trust and Highland Income Fund (formerly, Highland Floating Rate Opportunities Fund), an affiliated fund, are the beneficiaries of a +\$360 million judgment against Credit Suisse related to a syndicated real estate transaction fraudulently underwritten by Swiss bank. Credit Suisse is appealing the judgment against it. The two funds also are participants in a similar action against Credit Suisse related to five additional real estate deals in which the funds allege Credit Suisse committed fraud in relation to the underwriting. Case or Docket Number: 05-15-01463CV. Full Names of Principal Parties: Claymore Holdings, LLC v. Credit Suisse AG, Cayman Islands Branch and Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC. The Trust would be entitled to 18% of any net amounts ultimately collected on the judgment against Credit Suisse.

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**The information in this preliminary Statement of Additional Information is not complete and may be changed. We may not sell these securities until the Registration Statement filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This preliminary Statement of Additional Information is not an offer to sell these securities and is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted.**

**Subject to Completion, Dated August 27, 2019**

**NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund**

**Statement of Additional Information**

NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund (the “Trust” or “NHF”) (formerly, NexPoint Credit Strategies Fund) is a non-diversified, closed-end management investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “Investment Company Act”). This Statement of Additional Information (“SAI”) does not constitute a prospectus, but should be read in conjunction with the prospectus relating thereto dated August 27, 2019 (the “Prospectus”), which is incorporated by reference into this SAI. This SAI does not include all information that a prospective investor should consider before purchasing common shares, and investors should obtain and read the Prospectus prior to purchasing such shares. A copy of the Prospectus may be obtained without charge by calling 1-866-351-4440. You may also obtain a copy of the Prospectus on the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission’s web site [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). Capitalized terms used but not defined in this SAI have the meanings ascribed to them in the Prospectus.

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*This Statement of Additional Information is dated August 27, 2019*

### USE OF PROCEEDS

Unless otherwise specified in a Prospectus Supplement, the Trust will invest the net proceeds of any sales of securities (the “Offering”) in accordance with the Trust’s investment objectives and policies as stated below, or use such proceeds for other general corporate purposes. Assuming current market conditions, the Trust estimates that investment of the net proceeds of the Offering will be substantially complete within one to three months of the completion of the Offering. Pending such investment, it is anticipated that the proceeds of the Offering will be invested in cash and/or short-term debt securities.

### INVESTMENT RESTRICTIONS

**Fundamental Investment Restrictions.** The following are the fundamental investment restrictions of the Trust, which may not be changed without the approval of the holders of a majority of the outstanding common shares and preferred shares, if any, voting together as a single class, and of the holders of a majority of the outstanding preferred shares, if any, voting as a separate class:

- (1) **The Trust will**, under normal market conditions, invest at least 25% of the value of its total assets at the time of purchase in the securities of issuers conducting their principal business activities in the real estate industry, including obligations issued or guaranteed by the U.S. Government, any state or territory of the United States or any of their agencies, instrumentalities or political subdivisions, and investments by any territory of the United States or any of their agencies, instrumentalities or political subdivisions for which the underlying collateral is real estate;

**Except as described below, the Trust, as a fundamental policy, may not:**

- (2) issue senior securities or borrow money other than as permitted by the Investment Company Act or pledge its assets other than to secure such issuances or in connection with hedging transactions, short sales, securities lending, when issued and forward commitment transactions and similar investment strategies;
- (3) make loans of money or property to any person, except through loans of portfolio securities up to a maximum of 33 1/3% of the Trust’s total assets, the purchase of debt securities, including bank loans (senior loans) and participations therein, or the entry into repurchase agreements up to a maximum of 33 1/3% of the Trust’s total assets;
- (4) underwrite the securities of other issuers, except to the extent that, in connection with the disposition of portfolio securities or the sale of its own securities, the Trust may be deemed to be an underwriter;
- (5) purchase or sell real estate, except that the Trust may invest in securities of companies that deal in real estate or are engaged in the real estate business, including real estate investment trusts and real estate operating companies, and instruments secured by real estate or interests therein and the Trust may acquire, hold and sell real estate acquired through default, liquidation, or other distributions of an interest in real estate as a result of the Trust’s ownership of such other assets; or
- (6) purchase or sell commodities or commodity contracts for any purposes except as, and to the extent, permitted by applicable law without the Trust becoming subject to registration with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the “CFTC”) as a commodity pool.

As currently relevant to the Trust, the Investment Company Act requires an asset coverage of 200% for a closed-end fund issuing preferred shares and 300% for a closed-end fund issuing borrowings (excluding certain temporary borrowings). The Trust will not engage in any secured borrowings constituting senior securities described under investment restriction number 2 pursuant to which the lenders would be able to foreclose on more than 33 1/3% of the Trust’s total assets, measured at the date of the initial borrowing.

**Non-Fundamental Investment Restrictions.** The Trust is also subject to the following non-fundamental restrictions and policies, which may be changed by the Board of Trustees of the Trust (the “Board”) and without shareholder approval. The Trust may not:

- (1) make any short sale of securities except in conformity with applicable laws, rules and regulations and unless after giving effect to such sale, the market value of all securities sold short does not exceed 25% of the value of the Trust’s total assets and the Trust’s aggregate short sales of a particular class of securities of an issuer does not exceed 25% of the then outstanding securities of that class. The Trust may also make short sales “against the box” without respect to such limitations. In this type of short sale, at the time of the sale, the Trust owns or has the immediate and unconditional right to acquire at no additional cost the identical security; and

- (2) purchase securities of open-end or closed-end investment companies except in compliance with the Investment Company Act or any exemptive relief obtained thereunder. Under the Investment Company Act, the Trust may invest up to 10% of

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its total assets in the aggregate in shares of other investment companies and up to 5% of its total assets in any one investment company, provided the investment does not represent more than 3% of the voting stock of the acquired investment company at the time such shares are purchased. As a shareholder in any investment company, the Trust will bear its ratable share of that investment company's expenses, and will remain subject to payment of the Advisory Fees and other expenses with respect to assets so invested. Holders of common shares will therefore be subject to duplicative expenses to the extent the Trust invests in other investment companies. In addition, the securities of other investment companies may be leveraged and will therefore be subject to the risks of leverage. The NAV and market value of leveraged shares will be more volatile and the yield to shareholders will tend to fluctuate more than the yield generated by unleveraged shares.

In addition, to comply with the federal tax requirements for qualification as a registered investment company, the Trust's investments must meet certain diversification requirements. See "Tax Matters."

For purposes of this SAI, a "majority of the outstanding" shares means (a) 67% or more of the Trust's outstanding voting securities present at a meeting, if the holders of more than 50% of its outstanding voting securities are present or represented by proxy, or (b) more than 50% of its outstanding voting securities, whichever is less.

The percentage limitations applicable to the Trust's portfolio described in the Prospectus and this SAI apply only at the time of investment, except that the percentage limitation with respect to borrowing applies at all times, and the Trust will not be required to sell securities due to subsequent changes in the value of securities it owns.

## **INVESTMENT POLICIES AND TECHNIQUES**

The following information supplements the discussion of the Trust's investment objectives, policies and techniques that are described in the Prospectus.

The Trust's investment objectives are to provide both current income and capital appreciation. The Trust seeks to achieve its investment objectives by investing primarily in the following categories of securities and instruments of corporations and other business entities: (i) secured and unsecured floating and fixed rate loans; (ii) bonds and other debt obligations; (iii) debt obligations of stressed, distressed and bankrupt issuers; (iv) structured products, including but not limited to, mortgage-backed and other asset-backed securities and collateralized debt obligations; (v) equities; (vi) other investment companies, including business development companies ("BDCs"); and (vii) real estate investment trusts ("REITs"). The Trust may also invest in derivative instruments that have economic characteristics similar to instruments in investment categories (i) - (vii). Subject to these general guidelines, NexPoint Advisors, L.P. (the "Investment Adviser") has broad discretion to allocate the Trust's assets among these investment categories and other investments and to change allocations as conditions warrant.

There can be no assurance that the Trust will achieve its investment objective. Investors should not consider the one Trust alone to be a complete investment program. The Trust is subject to the risk of changing economic conditions, as well as the risk inherent in the ability of the portfolio manager to make changes in the composition of the Trust in anticipation of changes in economic, business and financial conditions. As with any security, a risk of loss is inherent in an investment in the shares of the Trust. The securities, investments, and investment practices used by the Trust all have attendant risks of varying degrees. As described below, an investment in the Trust entails special additional risks as a result of its ability to invest a substantial portion of their assets in foreign securities.

Unless otherwise indicated, the Trust is permitted to engage in the following investment strategies and techniques. The Trust is not obligated to pursue the following strategies or techniques and does not represent that these strategies or techniques are available now or will be available at any time in the future. The Trust will not purchase all of the following types of securities or employ all of the following strategies unless doing so is consistent with its investment objective.

### **Short-Term Debt Securities**

For temporary defensive purposes or to keep cash on hand, the Trust may invest up to 100% of its total assets in cash equivalents and short-term debt securities. Short-term debt investments are defined to include, without limitation, the following securities, as well as pooled investment vehicles (for example, money market funds) that invest in these securities:

(1) U.S. government securities, including bills, notes and bonds differing as to maturity and rates of interest that are either issued or guaranteed by the U.S. Treasury or by U.S. government agencies or instrumentalities. U.S. government securities include securities



issued by (a) the Federal Housing Administration, Farmers Home Administration, Export-Import Bank of the United States, Small Business Administration, and Government National Mortgage Association, whose securities are supported by the full faith and credit of the United States; (b) the Federal Home Loan Banks, Federal Intermediate Credit Banks, and Tennessee Valley Authority, whose securities are supported by the right of the agency to borrow from the U.S. Treasury; (c) the Federal National Mortgage Association

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(FNMA) and Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (FHLMC), whose securities had historically been supported by the discretionary authority of the U.S. government to purchase certain obligations of the agencies or instrumentalities but which are now in U.S. government receivership; and (d) the Student Loan Marketing Association, whose securities are supported only by its credit. While the U.S. government provides financial support to such U.S. government-sponsored agencies or instrumentalities, no assurance can be given that it always will do so since it is not so obligated by law. The U.S. government, its agencies and instrumentalities do not guarantee the market value of their securities. Consequently, the value of such securities may fluctuate.

(2) Certificates of deposit issued against funds deposited in a bank or a savings and loan association. Such certificates are for a definite period of time, earn a specified rate of return, and are normally negotiable. The issuer of a certificate of deposit agrees to pay the amount deposited plus interest to the bearer of the certificate on the date specified thereon. Certificates of deposit purchased by the Trust may not be fully insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

(3) Repurchase agreements, which involve purchases of debt securities. At the time the Trust purchases securities pursuant to a repurchase agreement, it simultaneously agrees to resell and redeliver such securities to the seller, who also simultaneously agrees to buy back the securities at a fixed price and time. This assures a predetermined yield for the Trust during its holding period, because the resale price is always greater than the purchase price and reflects an agreed-upon market rate. Such actions afford an opportunity for the Trust to invest temporarily available cash. The Trust may enter into repurchase agreements only with respect to obligations of the U.S. government, its agencies or instrumentalities; certificates of deposit; or bankers' acceptances in which the Trust may invest. Repurchase agreements may be considered loans to the seller, collateralized by the underlying securities. The risk to the Trust is limited to the ability of the seller to pay the agreed-upon sum on the repurchase date; in the event of default, the repurchase agreement provides that the Trust is entitled to sell the underlying collateral. If the value of the collateral declines after the agreement is entered into, and if the seller defaults under a repurchase agreement when the value of the underlying collateral is less than the repurchase price, the Trust could incur a loss of both principal and interest. If the seller were to be subject to a federal bankruptcy proceeding, the ability of the Trust to liquidate the collateral could be delayed or impaired because of certain provisions of the bankruptcy laws.

(4) Commercial paper, which consists of short-term unsecured promissory notes, including variable rate master demand notes issued by corporations to finance their current operations. Master demand notes are direct lending arrangements between the Trust and a corporation. There is no secondary market for such notes. However, they are redeemable by the Trust at any time. NexPoint Advisors, L.P., the Trust's investment adviser (the "Investment Adviser") will consider the financial condition of the corporation (e.g., earning power, cash flow and other liquidity ratios) and will continually monitor the corporation's ability to meet all of its financial obligations, because the Trust's liquidity might be impaired if the corporation were unable to pay principal and interest on demand. Investments in commercial paper will be limited to commercial paper rated in the highest categories by a major rating agency and which mature within one year of the date of purchase or carry a variable or floating rate of interest.

## **Equity Securities**

The Trust may invest in equity securities including preferred stock, convertible securities, warrants and depository receipts.

**Preferred Stock.** Preferred stock has a preference over common stock in liquidation (and generally dividends as well) but is subordinated to the liabilities of the issuer in all respects. As a general rule, the market value of preferred stock with a fixed dividend rate and no conversion element varies inversely with interest rates and perceived credit risk, while the market price of convertible preferred stock generally also reflects some element of conversion value. Because preferred stock is junior to debt securities and other obligations of the issuer, deterioration in the credit quality of the issuer will cause greater changes in the value of a preferred stock than in a more senior debt security with similar stated yield characteristics. Unlike interest payments on debt securities, preferred stock dividends are payable only if declared by the issuer's board of directors. Preferred stock also may be subject to optional or mandatory redemption provisions.

**Convertible Securities.** A convertible security is a bond, debenture, note, preferred stock or other security that may be converted into or exchanged for a prescribed amount of common stock or other equity security of the same or a different issuer within a particular period of time at a specified price or formula. A convertible security entitles the holder to receive interest paid or accrued on debt or the dividend paid on preferred stock until the convertible security matures or is redeemed, converted or exchanged. Before conversion, convertible securities have characteristics similar to nonconvertible income securities in that they ordinarily provide a stable stream of income with generally higher yields than those of common stocks of the same or similar issuers, but lower yields than comparable nonconvertible securities. The value of a convertible security is influenced by changes in interest rates, with investment value declining as interest rates increase and increasing as interest rates decline. The credit standing of the issuer and other factors also may have an effect on the convertible security's investment value. Convertible securities rank senior to common stock in a corporation's capital

structure but are usually subordinated to comparable nonconvertible securities. Convertible securities may be subject to redemption at the option of the issuer at a price established in the convertible security's governing instrument.

**Warrants.** Warrants, which are privileges issued by corporations enabling the owners to subscribe to and purchase a specified number of shares of the corporation at a specified price during a specified period of time. Subscription rights normally have a short life span to expiration. The purchase of warrants involves the risk that the Trust could lose the purchase value of a right or warrant if

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the right to subscribe to additional shares is not exercised prior to the warrants' expiration. Also, the purchase of warrants involves the risk that the effective price paid for the warrant added to the subscription price of the related security may exceed the value of the subscribed security's market price such as when there is no movement in the level of the underlying security.

**Depository Receipts.** The Trust may invest in both sponsored and unsponsored American Depositary Receipts ("ADRs"), European Depositary Receipts ("EDRs"), Global Depositary Receipts ("GDRs") and other similar global instruments. ADRs typically are issued by an American bank or trust company and evidence ownership of underlying securities issued by a non-U.S. corporation. EDRs, which are sometimes referred to as Continental Depositary Receipts, are receipts issued in Europe, typically by non-U.S. banks and trust companies, that evidence ownership of either non-U.S. or U.S. underlying securities. GDRs are depository receipts structured like global debt issues to facilitate trading on an international basis. Unsponsored ADR, EDR and GDR programs are organized independently and without the cooperation of the issuer of the underlying securities. As a result, available information concerning the issuer may not be as current as for sponsored ADRs, EDRs and GDRs, and the prices of unsponsored ADRs, EDRs and GDRs may be more volatile than if such instruments were sponsored by the issuer. Investments in ADRs, EDRs and GDRs may present additional investment considerations of credit or securities market investments that are either issued by entities domiciled outside of the U.S., or denominated in currencies other than the U.S. dollar, or both ("Non-U.S. Securities").

## **Variable and Floating Rate Instruments**

The Trust may purchase rated and unrated variable and floating rate instruments. These instruments may include variable amount master demand notes that permit the indebtedness thereunder to vary in addition to providing for periodic adjustments in the interest rate. The Trust may invest in leveraged inverse floating rate debt instruments ("Inverse Floaters"). The interest rate of an Inverse Floater resets in the opposite direction from the market rate of interest to which it is indexed. An Inverse Floater may be considered to be leveraged to the extent that its interest rate varies by a magnitude that exceeds the magnitude of the change in the index rate of interest. The higher degree of leverage inherent in Inverse Floaters is associated with greater volatility in their market values. Issuers of unrated variable and floating rate instruments must satisfy the same criteria as set forth above for the Trust. The absence of an active secondary market with respect to particular variable and floating rate instruments, however, could make it difficult for the Trust to dispose of a variable or floating rate instrument if the issuer defaulted on its payment obligation or during periods when the Trust is not entitled to exercise its demand rights.

Such instruments may include variable amount master demand notes that permit the indebtedness thereunder to vary in addition to providing for periodic adjustments in the interest rate. The absence of an active secondary market with respect to particular variable and floating rate instruments could make it difficult for the Trust to dispose of a variable or floating rate note if the issuer defaulted on its payment obligation or during periods that the Trust is not entitled to exercise its demand rights, and the Trust could, for these or other reasons, suffer a loss, with respect to such instruments.

## **Derivative Transactions and Risk Management**

Consistent with its investment objectives and policies set forth in the Prospectus and in addition to its option strategy, the Trust may also enter into certain risk management transactions. In particular, the Trust may purchase and sell futures contracts, exchange listed and over-the-counter put and call options on securities, equity and other indices and futures contracts, forward foreign currency contracts, and may enter into various interest rate transactions. Derivative Transactions may be used to attempt to protect against possible changes in the market value of the Trust's portfolio resulting from fluctuations in the securities markets and changes in interest rates, to protect the Trust's unrealized gains in the value of its portfolio securities, to facilitate the sale of such securities for investment purposes and to establish a position in the securities markets as a temporary substitute for purchasing particular securities. Any or all of these Derivative Transactions may be used at any time. There is no particular strategy that requires use of one technique rather than another. Use of any Derivative Transaction is a function of market conditions. The ability of the Trust to manage them successfully will depend on the Investment Adviser's ability to predict pertinent market movements as well as sufficient correlation among the instruments, which cannot be assured. The Derivative Transactions that the Trust may use are described below.

**Futures Contracts and Options on Futures Contracts.** In connection with its Derivative Transactions and other risk management strategies, the Trust may also enter into contracts for the purchase or sale for future delivery ("futures contracts") of securities, aggregates of securities or indices or prices thereof, other financial indices and U.S. government debt securities or options on the above. The Trust will engage in such transactions only for bona fide risk management and other portfolio management purposes.

**Forward Foreign Currency Contracts.** The Trust may enter into forward currency contracts to purchase or sell foreign currencies for a fixed amount of U.S. dollars or another foreign currency. A forward currency contract involves an obligation to purchase or sell a specific currency at a future date, which may be any fixed number of days from the date of the forward currency contract agreed upon

by the parties, at a price set at the time the forward currency contract is entered into. Forward currency contracts are traded directly between currency traders (usually large commercial banks) and their customers.

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The Trust may engage in various forward currency contract strategies, including without limitation the following:

- The Trust may purchase a forward currency contract to lock in the U.S. dollar price of a security denominated in a foreign currency that the Trust intends to acquire. The Trust may sell a forward currency contract to lock in the U.S. dollar equivalent of the proceeds from the anticipated sale of a security or a dividend or interest payment denominated in a foreign currency.
- The Trust may also use forward currency contracts to shift the Trust's exposure to foreign currency exchange rate changes from one currency to another. For example, if the Trust owns securities denominated in a foreign currency and the Investment Adviser believes that currency will decline relative to another currency, the Trust might enter into a forward currency contract to sell the appropriate amount of the first foreign currency with payment to be made in the second currency.
- The Trust may also purchase forward currency contracts to enhance income when the Investment Adviser anticipates that the foreign currency will appreciate in value but securities denominated in that currency do not present attractive investment opportunities.
- The Trust may also use forward currency contracts to offset against a decline in the value of existing investments denominated in a foreign currency. Such a transaction would tend to offset both positive and negative currency fluctuations, but would not offset changes in security values caused by other factors.
- The Trust could also enter into a forward currency contract to sell another currency expected to perform similarly to the currency in which the Trust's existing investments are denominated. This type of transaction could offer advantages in terms of cost, yield or efficiency, but may not offset currency exposure as effectively as a simple forward currency transaction to sell U.S. dollars. This type of transaction may result in losses if the currency sold does not perform similarly to the currency in which the Trust's existing investments are denominated.
- The Trust may also use forward currency contracts in one currency or a basket of currencies to attempt to offset against fluctuations in the value of securities denominated in a different currency if the Investment Adviser anticipates that there will be a correlation between the two currencies.
- The cost to the Trust of engaging in forward currency contracts varies with factors such as the currency involved, the length of the contract period and the market conditions then prevailing. Because forward currency contracts are usually entered into on a principal basis, no fees or commissions are involved.
- When the Trust enters into a forward currency contract, it relies on the counterparty to make or take delivery of the underlying currency at the maturity of the contract. Failure by the counterparty to do so would result in the loss of some or all of any expected benefit of the transaction. Secondary markets generally do not exist for forward currency contracts, with the result that closing transactions generally can be made for forward currency contracts only by negotiating directly with the counterparty. Thus, there can be no assurance that the Trust will in fact be able to close out a forward currency contract at a favorable price prior to maturity. In addition, in the event of insolvency of the counterparty, the Trust might be unable to close out a forward currency contract. In either event, the Trust would continue to be subject to market risk with respect to the position, and would continue to be required to maintain a position in securities denominated in the foreign currency or to maintain cash or liquid assets in a segregated account. The precise matching of forward currency contract amounts and the value of the securities involved generally will not be possible because the value of such securities, measured in the foreign currency, will change after the forward currency contract has been established. Thus, the Trust might need to purchase or sell foreign currencies in the spot (cash) market to the extent such foreign currencies are not covered by forward currency contracts. The projection of short-term currency market movements is extremely difficult, and the successful execution of a short-term strategy is highly uncertain.

***Calls on Securities, Indices and Futures Contracts.*** In addition to its option strategy, in order to enhance income or reduce fluctuations on NAV, the Trust may sell or purchase call options ("calls") on securities and indices based upon the prices of futures contracts and debt or equity securities that are traded on U.S. and non-U.S. securities exchanges and in the over-the-counter markets. A call option gives the purchaser of the option the right to buy, and obligates the seller to sell, the underlying security, futures contract or index at the exercise price at any time or at a specified time during the option period. All such calls sold by the Trust must be "covered" as long as the call is outstanding (*i.e.*, the Trust must own the instrument subject to the call or other securities or assets acceptable for applicable segregation and coverage requirements). A call sold by the Trust exposes the Trust during the term of the option to possible loss of opportunity to realize appreciation in the market price of the underlying security, index or futures contract and may require the Trust to hold an instrument which it might otherwise have sold. The purchase of a call gives the Trust the right to buy a security,

futures contract or index at a fixed price. Calls on futures on securities must also be covered by assets or instruments acceptable under applicable segregation and coverage requirements.

***Puts on Securities, Indices and Futures Contracts.*** In addition to its option strategy, the Trust may purchase put options (“puts”) that relate to securities (whether or not it holds such securities in its portfolio), indices or futures contracts. For the same

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purposes, the Trust may also sell puts on securities, indices or futures contracts on such securities if the Trust's contingent obligations on such puts are covered by assets consisting of cash or securities having a value not less than the exercise price. In selling puts, there is a risk that the Trust may be required to buy the underlying security at a price higher than the current market price.

**Interest Rate Transactions.** Among the Derivative Transactions in which the Trust may enter into are interest rate swaps and the purchase or sale of interest rate caps and floors. The Trust expects to enter into these transactions primarily to preserve a return or spread on a particular investment or portion of its portfolio as a duration management technique or to protect against any increase in the price of securities the Trust anticipates purchasing at a later date. Interest rate swaps involve the exchange by the Trust with another party of their respective commitments to pay or receive interest, e.g., an exchange of floating rate payments for fixed rate payments with respect to a notional amount of principal. The purchase of an interest rate cap entitles the purchaser, to the extent that a specified index exceeds a predetermined interest rate, to receive payments of interest on a notional principal amount from the party selling such interest rate cap. The purchase of an interest rate floor entitles the purchaser, to the extent that a specified index falls below a predetermined interest rate, to receive payments of interest on a notional principal amount from the party selling such interest rate floor.

The Trust may enter into interest rate swaps, caps and floors on either an asset-based or liability-based basis, depending on whether it is offsetting volatility with respect to its assets or liabilities, and will usually enter into interest rate swaps on a net basis, i.e., the two payment streams are netted out, with the Trust receiving or paying, as the case may be, only the net amount of the two payments on the payment dates. Inasmuch as these Derivative Transactions are entered into for good faith risk management purposes, the Investment Adviser and the Trust will not treat them as being subject to its borrowing restrictions. The Trust will accrue the net amount of the excess, if any, of the Trust's obligations over its entitlements with respect to each interest rate swap on a daily basis and will designate on its books and records with a custodian an amount of cash or liquid securities having an aggregate NAV at all times at least equal to the accrued excess. The Trust will enter into interest rate swap, cap or floor transactions only with counterparties that are judged by the Investment Adviser to present acceptable credit risk to the Trust. If there is a default by the other party to such a transaction, the Trust will have contractual remedies pursuant to the agreements related to the transaction. The swap market has grown substantially in recent years with a large number of banks and investment banking firms acting both as principals and as agents utilizing standardized swap documentation. Caps and floors are more recent innovations for which standardized documentation has not yet been developed and, accordingly, they are less liquid than swaps.

## **Additional Characteristics and Risks of Derivative Transactions**

In order to manage the risk of its securities portfolio, or to enhance income or gain as described in the Prospectus, the Trust will engage in Derivative Transactions. The Trust will engage in such activities in the Investment Adviser's discretion, and may not necessarily be engaging in such activities when movements in interest rates that could affect the value of the assets of the Trust occur. The Trust's ability to pursue certain of these strategies may be limited by applicable regulations of the CFTC. The Trust's Derivative Transactions may affect the amount, timing and character of distributions to shareholders and, therefore, may accelerate and/or increase the amount of taxes payable by shareholders. In addition, the Trust's ability to engage in certain Derivative Transactions may be limited by tax considerations. See "Tax Matters" below for more information.

## **Put and Call Options on Securities and Indices**

The Trust may purchase and sell put and call options on securities and indices. A put option gives the purchaser of the option the right to sell and the writer the obligation to buy the underlying security at the exercise price during the option period. The Trust may also purchase and sell options on securities indices ("index options"). Index options are similar to options on securities except that, rather than taking or making delivery of securities underlying the option at a specified price upon exercise, an index option gives the holder the right to receive cash upon exercise of the option if the level of the securities index upon which the option is based is greater, in the case of a call, or less, in the case of a put, than the exercise price of the option. The purchase of a put option on a security could protect the Trust's holdings in a security or a number of securities against a substantial decline in the market value. A call option gives the purchaser of the option the right to buy and the seller the obligation to sell the underlying security or index at the exercise price during the option period or for a specified period prior to a fixed date. The purchase of a call option on a security could protect the Trust against an increase in the price of a security that it intended to purchase in the future. In the case of either put or call options that it has purchased, if the option expires without being sold or exercised, the Trust will experience a loss in the amount of the option premium plus any related commissions. When the Trust sells put and call options, it receives a premium as the seller of the option. The premium that the Trust receives for selling the option will serve as a partial offset, in the amount of the option premium, against changes in the value of the securities in its portfolio. During the term of the option, however, a covered call seller has, in return for the premium on the option, given up the opportunity for capital appreciation above the exercise price of the option if the value of the underlying security increases, but has retained the risk of loss should the price of the underlying security decline. Conversely, a secured put seller retains the risk of loss should the market value of the underlying security decline below the exercise price of the option, less the premium



received on the sale of the option. The Trust is authorized to purchase and sell exchange listed options and over the-counter options (“OTC Options”) which are privately negotiated with the counterparty. Listed options are issued by the Options Clearing Corporation (“OCC”) which guarantees the performance of the obligations of the parties to such options.

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The Trust's ability to close out its position as a purchaser or seller of an exchange listed put or call option is dependent upon the existence of a liquid secondary market on option exchanges. Among the possible reasons for the absence of a liquid secondary market on an exchange are: (i) insufficient trading interest in certain options; (ii) restrictions on transactions imposed by an exchange; (iii) trading halts, suspensions or other restrictions imposed with respect to particular classes or series of options or underlying securities; (iv) interruption of the normal operations on an exchange; (v) inadequacy of the facilities of an exchange or OCC to handle current trading volume; or (vi) a decision by one or more exchanges to discontinue the trading of options (or a particular class or series of options), in which event the secondary market on that exchange (or in that class or series of options) would cease to exist, although outstanding options on that exchange that had been listed by the OCC as a result of trades on that exchange would generally continue to be exercisable in accordance with their terms. OTC Options are purchased from or sold to dealers, financial institutions or other counterparties which have entered into direct agreements with the Trust. With OTC Options, such variables as expiration date, exercise price and premium will be agreed upon between the Trust and the counterparty, without the intermediation of a third party such as the OCC. If the counterparty fails to make or take delivery of the securities underlying an option it has written, or otherwise settle the transaction in accordance with the terms of that option as written, the Trust would lose the premium paid for the option as well as any anticipated benefit of the transaction.

The hours of trading for options on securities may not conform to the hours during which the underlying securities are traded. To the extent that the option markets close before the markets for the underlying securities, significant price movements can take place in the underlying markets that cannot be reflected in the option markets.

## **Futures Contracts and Related Options**

**Characteristics.** The Trust may sell financial futures contracts or purchase put and call options on such futures as an offset against anticipated market movements. The sale of a futures contract creates an obligation by the Trust, as seller, to deliver the specific type of financial instrument called for in the contract at a specified future time for a specified price. Options on futures contracts are similar to options on securities except that an option on a futures contract gives the purchaser the right in return for the premium paid to assume a position in a futures contract (a long position if the option is a call and a short position if the option is a put).

**Margin Requirements.** At the time a futures contract is purchased or sold, the Trust must allocate cash or securities as a deposit payment ("initial margin"). It is expected that the initial margin that the Trust will pay may range from approximately 1% to approximately 5% of the value of the securities or commodities underlying the contract. In certain circumstances, however, such as periods of high volatility, the Trust may be required by an exchange to increase the level of its initial margin payment. Additionally, initial margin requirements may be increased generally in the future by regulatory action. An outstanding futures contract is valued daily and the payment in case of "variation margin" may be required, a process known as "marking to the market." Transactions in listed options and futures are usually settled by entering into an offsetting transaction, and are subject to the risk that the position may not be able to be closed if no offsetting transaction can be arranged.

**Limitations on Use of Futures and Options on Futures.** The Trust currently may enter into such transactions without limit for bona fide strategic purposes, including risk management and duration management and other portfolio strategies. The Trust may also engage in transactions in futures contracts or related options for non-strategic purposes to enhance income or gain provided that the Trust will not enter into a futures contract or related option (except for closing transactions) for purposes other than bona fide strategic purposes, or risk management including duration management if, immediately thereafter, the sum of the amount of its initial deposits and premiums on open contracts and options would exceed 5% of the Trust's liquidation value, *i.e.*, net assets (taken at current value); provided, however, that in the case of an option that is in-the-money at the time of the purchase, the in-the-money amount may be excluded in calculating the 5% limitation. The above policies are non-fundamental and may be changed by the Board at any time. Also, when required, an account of cash equivalents designated on the books and records will be maintained and marked to market on a daily basis in an amount equal to the market value of the contract.

**Segregation and Cover Requirements.** Futures contracts, interest rate swaps, caps, floors and collars, short sales, reverse repurchase agreements and dollar rolls, and listed or OTC options on securities, indices and futures contracts sold by the Trust are generally subject to earmarking and coverage requirements of either the CFTC or the SEC, with the result that, if the Trust does not hold the security or futures contract underlying the instrument, the Trust will be required to designate on its books and records on an ongoing basis cash, U.S. government securities, or other liquid securities in an amount at least equal to the Trust's net obligations with respect to such instruments.

**Such Amounts Fluctuate as the Obligations Increase or Decrease.** The earmarking requirement can result in the Trust maintaining securities positions it would otherwise liquidate, segregating assets at a time when it might be disadvantageous to do so or

otherwise restrict portfolio management.

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***Derivative Transactions Present Certain Risks.*** With respect to Derivative Transactions and risk management, the variable degree of correlation between price movements of strategic instruments and price movements in the position being offset create the possibility that losses using the strategy may be greater than gains in the value of the Trust's position. The same is true for such instruments entered into for income or gain. In addition, certain instruments and markets may not be liquid in all circumstances. As a result, in volatile markets, the Trust may not be able to close out a transaction without incurring losses substantially greater than the initial deposit. Although the use of Derivative Transactions for hedging purposes may reduce the risk of loss due to a decline in the value of an underlying securities position, at the same time such use tends to limit any potential gain which might result from an increase in the value of such position. The ability of the Trust to successfully utilize Derivative Transactions will depend on the Investment Adviser's ability to predict pertinent market movements and sufficient correlations, which cannot be assured. Finally, the daily deposit requirements in futures contracts that the Trust has sold create an ongoing greater potential financial risk than do options transactions, where the exposure is limited to the cost of the initial premium. Losses due to the use of Derivative Transactions will reduce NAV.

***Regulatory Considerations.*** The Trust is sponsored by a person who has claimed an exclusion from the definition of the term "commodity pool operator" under the Commodity Exchange Act ("CEA") pursuant to Rule 4.5 under the CEA; therefore, the Investment Adviser (with respect to the Trust) is not subject to registration or regulation as a "commodity pool operator" under the CEA.

## **Real Estate Investment Trusts ("REITs")**

The Trust may invest in REITs. REITs are pooled investment vehicles that invest primarily in income-producing real estate or real estate-related loans or interests. REITs are subject to risks similar to those associated with direct ownership of real estate (including loss to casualty or condemnation, increases in property taxes and operating expenses, zoning law amendments, changes in interest rates, overbuilding and increased competition, variations in market value, adverse changes in the real estate markets generally or in specific sectors of the real estate industry and possible environmental liabilities), as well as additional risks discussed below.

REITs are generally classified as equity REITs, mortgage REITs or a combination of equity and mortgage REITs. Equity REITs invest the majority of their assets directly in real property and derive income primarily from the collection of rents. Equity REITs can also realize capital gains by selling properties that have appreciated in value. Mortgage REITs invest the majority of their assets in real estate mortgages and derive income from the collection of interest payments. REITs are not taxed on income distributed to shareholders provided they comply with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). The Trust will indirectly bear its proportionate share of any management and other expenses paid by REITs in which it invests in addition to the expenses paid by the Trust. Debt securities issued by REITs are, for the most part, general and unsecured obligations and are subject to risks associated with REITs.

Investing in REITs involves certain unique risks in addition to those risks associated with investing in the real estate industry in general. An equity REIT may be affected by changes in the value of the underlying properties owned by the REIT. A mortgage REIT may be affected by changes in interest rates and the ability of the issuers of its portfolio mortgages to repay their obligations. REITs are dependent upon the skills of their managers and are not diversified. REITs are generally dependent upon maintaining cash flows to repay borrowings and to make distributions to shareholders and are subject to the risk of default by lessees or borrowers. REITs whose underlying assets are concentrated in properties used by a particular industry, such as health care, are also subject to risks associated with such industry. REITs are often leveraged or invest in properties that are themselves leveraged, exposing them to the risks of leverage generally. Among other things, leverage will generally increase losses during periods of real estate market declines.

REITs (especially mortgage REITs) are also subject to interest rate risks. When interest rates decline, the value of a REIT's investment in fixed rate obligations can be expected to rise. Conversely, when interest rates rise, the value of a REIT's investment in fixed rate obligations can be expected to decline. If the REIT invests in adjustable rate mortgage loans the interest rates on which are reset periodically, yields on a REIT's investments in such loans will gradually align themselves to reflect changes in market interest rates. This causes the value of such investments to fluctuate less dramatically in response to interest rate fluctuations than would investments in fixed rate obligations.

REITs may have limited financial resources, may trade less frequently and in a more limited volume and may be subject to more abrupt or erratic price movements than larger company securities.

The Trust seeks to gain exposure to the real estate markets, in whole or in part, through investing in certain REIT subsidiaries of the Trust. The Trust invests in NexPoint Real Estate Opportunities, LLC (formerly Freedom REIT) ("NREO"), organized under the laws of Delaware on September 17, 2012 and NexPoint Real Estate Capital, LLC ("NREC"), organized under the laws of Delaware on March 31, 2014 (each, a "Subsidiary"). Each Subsidiary has elected to be taxed as a REIT. Each Subsidiary is generally subject to the same

investment policies and restrictions of the Trust. As of June 30, 2019, NREO and NREC accounted for approximately, 2.9% and 22.0% respectively, of the Trust's Managed Assets and approximately 2.8% and 21.7%, respectively, of the Trust's total (gross)

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assets. The Investment Adviser does not charge an additional fee on assets held in each Subsidiary. The Trust intends to limit its investments in each Subsidiary and related entities to the extent necessary to qualify as a regulated investment company ("RIC") for tax purposes. In general, and subject to certain exceptions not applicable here, a RIC is not permitted to invest, including through corporations in which the RIC owns a 20% or more voting stock interest, more than 25% of its total assets in any one issuer, or in any two or more issuers which the taxpayer controls and which are determined to be engaged in the same or similar trades or businesses or related trades or businesses.

### **Portfolio Turnover**

The Trust's annual portfolio turnover rate may vary greatly from year to year. Although the Trust cannot accurately predict its annual portfolio turnover rate, it is not expected to exceed 100% under normal circumstances. For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018, the portfolio turnover rate was 48%, and for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017, the portfolio turnover rate was 36%. Portfolio turnover rate is not considered a limiting factor in the execution of investment decisions for the Trust. There are no limits on the rate of portfolio turnover, and investments may be sold without regard to length of time held when the Trust's investment strategy so dictates. A higher portfolio turnover rate results in correspondingly greater brokerage commissions and other transactional expenses that are borne by the Trust. High portfolio turnover may result in the realization of net short-term capital gains by the Trust which, when distributed to common shareholders, will be taxable as ordinary income. See "Tax Matters."

## **OTHER INVESTMENT POLICIES AND TECHNIQUES**

### **When-Issued and Forward Commitment Securities**

The Trust may purchase securities on a "when-issued" basis and may purchase or sell securities on a "forward commitment" basis in order to acquire the security or to offset against anticipated changes in interest rates and prices. When such transactions are negotiated, the price, which is generally expressed in yield terms, is fixed at the time the commitment is made, but delivery and payment for the securities take place at a later date. When-issued securities and forward commitments may be sold prior to the settlement date, but the Trust will enter into when-issued and forward commitments only with the intention of actually receiving or delivering the securities, as the case may be. If the Trust disposes of the right to acquire a when-issued security prior to its acquisition or disposes of its right to deliver or receive against a forward commitment, it might incur a gain or loss. At the time the Trust enters into a transaction on a when-issued or forward commitment basis, it will designate on its books and records cash or liquid securities equal to at least the value of the when-issued or forward commitment securities. The value of these assets will be monitored daily to ensure that their marked to market value will at all times equal or exceed the corresponding obligations of the Trust. There is always a risk that the securities may not be delivered and that the Trust may incur a loss. Settlements in the ordinary course, which may take substantially more than five business days, are not treated by the Trust as when-issued or forward commitment transactions and accordingly are not subject to the foregoing restrictions.

### **Pay-In-Kind Securities**

The Trust may invest in Pay-in-kind, or "PIK" securities. PIK securities are securities which pay interest through the issuance of additional debt or equity securities. Similar to zero coupon obligations, PIK securities also carry additional risk as holders of these types of securities typically do not receive cash until the final payment date on the security unless such security is sold. In addition, if the issuer defaults, the Trust may obtain no return at all on its investment. The market price of PIK securities is affected by interest rate changes to a greater extent, and therefore tends to be more volatile, than that of securities which pay interest in cash. Additionally, U.S. federal income tax law requires the holder of certain PIK securities to recognize interest income with respect to these securities prior to the actual receipt of cash payments. In order to receive the special treatment accorded to RICs and their shareholders under Subchapter M of the Code, and to avoid liability for U.S. federal income or excise taxes at the Trust level, the Trust may be required to distribute income recognized with respect to these securities prior to the Trust's receipt of cash on these securities and thus may, among other things, dispose of portfolio securities under potentially disadvantageous circumstances in order to generate cash to satisfy these distribution requirements. See "Tax Matters" below.

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### **Mezzanine Investments**

The Trust may invest in certain high yield securities known as mezzanine investments, which are subordinated debt securities which are generally issued in private placements in connection with an equity security (e.g., with attached warrants). Such mezzanine investments may be issued with or without registration rights. Similar to other high yield securities, maturities of mezzanine investments are typically seven to ten years, but the expected average life is significantly shorter at three to five years. Mezzanine investments are usually unsecured and subordinate to other obligations of the issuer.

### **Loan Participations and Assignments**

The Trust may invest in fixed and floating rate loans ("Loans") arranged through private negotiations between a corporation or foreign government and one or more financial institutions ("Lenders"). The Trust's investments in Loans are expected in most instances to be in the form of participations in Loans ("Participations") and assignments of all or a portion of Loans ("Assignments") from third parties. Participations typically will result in the Trust having a contractual relationship only with the Lender, not the borrower. The Trust will have the right to receive payments of principal, interest and any fees to which it is entitled only from the Lender selling the Participation and the Trust and only upon receipt by the Lender of the payments by the borrower. In connection with purchasing Participations, the Trust generally has no direct right to enforce compliance by the borrower with the terms of the loan agreement relating to the Loan, nor any rights of set-off against the borrower, and the Trust may not directly benefit from any collateral supporting the Loan in which it has purchased the Participation. As a result the Trust will assume the credit risk of both the borrower and the Lender that is selling the Participation. In the event of the insolvency of the Lender selling a Participation, the Trust may be treated as a general creditor of the Lender and may not benefit from any set-off between the Lender and the borrower. The Trust will acquire Participations only if the Lender interpositioned between the Trust and the borrower is determined by the Investment Adviser to be creditworthy. When the Trust purchases Assignments from Lenders, the Trust will acquire direct rights against the borrower on the Loan. However, because Assignments are arranged through private negotiations between potential assignees and assignors, the rights and obligations acquired by the Trust as the purchaser of an Assignment may differ from, and be more limited than, those held by the assigning Lender.

The Trust may have difficulty disposing of Assignments and Participations. Because there is no public market for such securities, the Trust anticipates that such securities could be sold only to a limited number of institutional investors. The lack of a liquid secondary market will have an adverse impact on the value of such securities and on the Trust's ability to dispose of particular Assignments or Participations when necessary to meet the Trust's liquidity needs or in response to a specific economic event, such as a deterioration in the creditworthiness of the borrower. The lack of a liquid secondary market for Assignments and Participations also may make it more difficult for the Trust to assign a value to those securities for purposes of valuing the Trust's portfolio and calculating its NAV.

### **Project Loans**

The Trust may invest in project loans, which are fixed income securities of issuers whose revenues are primarily derived from mortgage loans to multi-family, nursing home and other real estate development projects. The principal payments on these mortgage loans will be insured by agencies and authorities of the U.S. government.

### **Zero Coupons and Deferred Payment Obligations**

The Trust may invest in zero-coupon bonds, which are normally issued at a significant discount from face value and do not provide for periodic interest payments. Zero-coupon bonds may experience greater volatility in market value than similar maturity debt obligations which provide for regular interest payments. The Trust may also invest in deferred payment securities. Deferred payment securities are securities that remain zero-coupon securities until a predetermined date, at which time the stated coupon rate becomes effective and interest becomes payable at regular intervals. Deferred payment securities are subject to greater fluctuations in value and may have lesser liquidity in the event of adverse market conditions than comparably rated securities paying cash interest at regular interest payment periods.

U.S. federal income tax law requires the holder of certain zero-coupon bonds or deferred payment securities to recognize interest income with respect to these securities prior to the actual receipt of cash payments by the holder. In order to receive the special treatment accorded to RICs and their shareholders under the Code and to avoid liability for U.S. federal income or excise taxes at the Trust level, the Trust may be required to distribute income recognized with respect to these securities prior to the Trust's receipt of cash on these securities and thus may, among other things, dispose of Trust securities under potentially disadvantageous circumstances in order to generate cash to satisfy these distribution requirements. See "Tax Matters" below.





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### **Master Limited Partnerships (“MLPs”)**

The Trust may invest in MLPs. MLPs typically are characterized as “publicly traded partnerships” that qualify to be treated as partnerships for U.S. federal income tax purposes and are principally engaged in one or more aspects of the exploration, production, processing, transmission, marketing, storage or delivery of energy-related commodities, such as natural gas, natural gas liquids, coal, crude oil or refined petroleum products (collectively, the energy industry). The Trust’s MLP investments include investments that offer economic exposure to public MLPs in the form of common or subordinated units issued by MLPs, securities of entities holding primarily general partner or managing member interests in MLPs, debt securities of MLPs, and securities that are derivatives of interests in MLPs, including I-Shares, and derivative instruments in which the Trust may invest that have economic characteristics of MLP securities.

Generally, an MLP is operated under the supervision of one or more managing general partners. Limited partners (like the Trust when it invests in an MLP) are not involved in the day-to-day management of the partnership. The Trust also may invest in companies who serve (or whose affiliates serve) as the general partner of an MLP. These investments may not be taxed as partnerships for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Conflicts of interest may exist among unit holders, subordinated unit holders and the general partner of an MLP, including those arising from incentive distribution payments. General Partners typically have limited fiduciary duties to an MLP, which could allow a general partner to favor its own interests over the MLP’s interests. Additionally, general partners of MLPs often have limited call rights that may require MLP unit holders to sell their common units at an undesirable time or price.

Holders of MLP securities have limited control and voting rights on matters affecting the partnership. Holders of securities issued by a MLP are exposed to a remote possibility of liability for all of the obligations of that MLP in the event that a court determines that the rights of the holders of MLP securities to vote to remove or replace the general partner of that MLP, to approve amendments to that MLP’s partnership agreement, or to take other action under the partnership agreement of that MLP would constitute “control” of the business of that MLP, or a court or governmental agency determines that the MLP is conducting business in a state without complying with the partnership statute of that state. Holders of MLP securities are also exposed to the risk that they will be required to repay amounts to the MLP that are wrongfully distributed to them.

Investments in MLP securities also present special tax risks. For example, if an MLP does not meet current legal requirements to maintain its partnership status, or if it is unable to do so because of tax or other law changes, it would be treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In that case, the MLP would be obligated to pay U.S. federal income tax at corporate rates (as well as state and local taxes) at the entity level on its taxable income and distributions received by the Trust would be taxable to the Trust as dividend income to the extent of the MLP’s current and accumulated earnings and profits for federal tax purposes. The classification of an MLP as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes could have the effect of reducing the amount of cash available for distribution by the MLP and the value of the Trust’s investment in any such MLP. As a result, the value of the Trust’s shares and the cash available for distribution to Trust shareholders could be materially reduced.

The Trust intends to limit its investments in MLPs and related entities to the extent necessary to qualify as a RIC for tax purposes. In general, a RIC is not permitted to invest, including through corporations in which the RIC owns a 20% or more voting stock interest, more than 25% of its total assets in qualified publicly-traded partnerships.

### **Life Settlement Investments**

The Trust may invest in life settlements, which are the transfers of the beneficial interest in a life insurance policy by the underlying insured person to a third party. The Trust will generally purchase the beneficial interest in a life insurance policy for more than its cash surrender value but at a discount to its face value (i.e., the payment amount set forth in the life insurance policy that is payable on the death of the insured or upon maturity of the life insurance policy). After purchase the Trust will be responsible for premiums payable on the life insurance policy and will be entitled to receive the full face value from the insurance company upon maturation (i.e., upon the death of the insured). Accordingly, if the Trust is unable to make premium payments on a purchased life insurance policy due to liquidity issues or for any other reason, the policy will lapse, and the Trust will lose its ownership interest in the policy. In addition, the Trust’s investments in life settlement policies involve certain additional risks, including inaccurate estimations of life expectancy of the insured individuals, liquidity risk, credit risk of the insurance company, risks of any policies purchased being unenforceable and risks of adverse regulatory and legal changes.

The actual rate of return on a life settlement policy cannot be calculated before the insured dies and the longer the insured lives, the lower the rate of return on the related life settlement policy will be. Current privacy laws may limit the information available to the Trust about insureds and may cause the Trust to inaccurately estimate the value of particular policies. The Trust’s inability to predict with certainty the life expectancies of the pool of underlying insured persons tied to purchased life settlement policies may cause unanticipated delays in the collection of a substantial number of life settlement policies. Life settlements are also generally considered

illiquid because there is a limited secondary market for such policies to be bought and sold. Accordingly, the Trust may be limited in its ability to sell policies in its portfolio in a timely fashion and/or at a favorable price. In addition, if a life insurance company declares bankruptcy or otherwise is insolvent, there may not be sufficient funds for it to pay its liability, and while many states have an insurance guarantee fund to provide payments to beneficiaries of insurance companies that declare bankruptcy, the collection process can be prolonged and complicated, and collection may not be possible in all circumstances.

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Life settlement policies may also be subject to contest by the issuing life insurance company. If the insurance company successfully contests a policy, the policy will be rescinded and declared void. For example, insurers may refuse to pay benefits on certain life insurance policies on the basis that there was no “insurable interest” on the part of the purchaser of a life insurance policy at the time such policy was issued. Recently the issue of a lack of insurable interest has been raised by insurers and beneficiaries of irrevocable life insurance trusts, in the context of so-called “stranger originated life insurance” policies. It is possible that courts may void certain life settlement policies for these or other reasons. The market for life settlement policies may also be subject to new government regulation that may impact the ability of the Trust to obtain life settlement policies. Insurance companies may seek regulation or changes of law restricting or otherwise encumbering the transfer of life insurance policies in life settlement policy transactions. No assurance can be made that insurance companies will not be successful in limiting the supply of life insurance policies available for purchase in life settlement policy transactions.

Any or all of the risks described above could have a material adverse effect on the Trust’s investment returns and, therefore, on its ability to make distributions to its shareholders. In addition, it is unclear whether the income from life settlements is qualifying income for purposes of the Internal Revenue Service (“IRS”) 90% gross income test the Trust must satisfy each year to qualify as a RIC. The Trust intends to monitor its investments to ensure that the Trust remains qualified as a RIC.

## MANAGEMENT OF THE TRUST

### Trustees

The Board provides broad oversight over the operations and affairs of the Trust and protects the interests of shareholders. The Board has overall responsibility to manage and control the business affairs of the Trust, including the complete and exclusive authority to establish policies regarding the management, conduct and operation of the Trust’s business. The names and birthdates of the Trustees and officers of the Trust, the year each was first elected or appointed to office, their principal business occupations during the last five years, the number of funds overseen by each Trustee and other directorships or trusteeships they hold are shown below. The business address of the Trust, the Investment Adviser and their Board members and officers is 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201, unless otherwise specified below.

### Information About Each Trustee’s Experience, Qualifications, Attributes, or Skills for Board Membership

The following provides an overview of the considerations that led the Board to conclude that each individual serving as a Trustee of the Trust should so serve, as well as each Trustee’s name and certain biographical information as reported by them to the Trust. Among the factors the Board considered when concluding that an individual should serve on the Board were the following: (i) the individual’s business and professional experience and accomplishments; (ii) the individual’s ability to work effectively with the other members of the Board; (iii) the individual’s prior experience, if any, serving on company boards (including public companies and, where relevant, other investment companies) and the boards of other complex enterprises and organizations; and (iv) how the individual’s skills, experiences and attributes would contribute to an appropriate mix of relevant skills and experience on the Board.

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In respect of each Trustee, the individual's professional accomplishments and prior experience, including, in some cases, in fields related to the operations of the Trust, were a significant factor in the determination that the individual should serve as a Trustee of the Trust. Each Trustee's professional experience and additional considerations that contributed to the Board's conclusion that an individual should serve on the Board are summarized in the table below.

The "Highland Funds Complex," as referred to herein consists of: the Trust, each series of Highland Funds I ("HFI"), each series of Highland Funds II ("HFII"), Highland Global Allocation Fund ("GAF"), Highland Income Fund ("HFRO"), NexPoint Event-Driven Fund ("NEDF"), NexPoint Latin American Opportunities Fund ("NLAF"), NexPoint Real Estate Strategies Fund ("NRESF"), NexPoint Strategic Income Fund ("NSIF"), NexPoint Energy and Materials Opportunities Fund ("NEMO"), NexPoint Discount Strategies Fund ("NDSF"), NexPoint Healthcare Opportunities Fund ("NHOF"), and together with NEDF, NLAF, NRESF, NSIF, NEMO, and NDSF, the "Interval Funds"), and NexPoint Capital, Inc. (the "BDC"), a closed-end management investment company that has elected to be treated as a business development company under the 1940 Act.

**Name, Date of Birth, Position(s) with the Trust and Length of Time Served, Term of Office<sup>1</sup> and Number of Portfolios in the Highland Funds Complex Overseen by the Trustees**  
**Independent Trustees**

**Principal Occupations(s) During the Past Five Years and Other Directorships/ Trusteeships Held During the Past Five Years**

**Experience, Qualifications, Attributes, Skills for Board Membership During the Past Five Years**

**Dr. Bob Froehlich**  
(4/28/1953)

Retired.

Trustee since March 2016;  
3 year term (expiring at 2020 annual meeting) for the Trust.

23 funds

Trustee of ARC Realty Finance Trust, Inc. (from January 2013 to May 2016); Director of KC Concessions, Inc. (since January 2013); Trustee of Realty Capital Income Funds Trust (from January 2014 to December 2016); Director of American Realty Capital Healthcare Trust II (from January 2013 to June 2016); Director, American Realty Capital Daily Net Asset Value Trust, Inc. (from November 2012 to July 2016); Director of American Sports Enterprise, Inc. (since January 2013); Director of Davidson Investment Advisors (from July 2009 to July 2016); Chairman and owner, Kane County Cougars Baseball Club (since January 2013); Advisory Board of Directors, Internet Connectivity Group, Inc. (from January 2014 to April 2016); Director of AXAR Acquisition Corp. (formerly AR Capital Acquisition Corp.) (from October 2014 to October 2017); Director of The Midwest League of Professional Baseball Clubs, Inc.; Director of Kane County Cougars Foundation, Inc.; Director of Galen Robotics, Inc.; Chairman and Director of FC Global Realty, Inc. (from May 2017 to June 2018); Chairman and Director of First Capital Investment Corp. (from March 2017 to March 2018); and Director and Special Advisor to Vault Data, LLC (since February 2018).

Significant experience in the financial industry; significant managerial and executive experience; significant experience on other boards of directors, including as a member of several audit committees.

**John Honis<sup>2</sup>**  
(6/16/1958)

President of Rand Advisors, LLC since August 2013; Partner of Highland Capital Management, L.P. ("HCM") from February 2007 until his resignation in November 2014.

Trustee since July 2013;  
3 year term (expiring at 2021 annual meeting) for the Trust.

23 funds

Manager of Turtle Bay Resort, LLC (August 2011 – December 2018); Manager of American Home Patient (November 2011 to February 2016).

Significant experience in the financial industry; significant managerial and executive experience, including experience as president, chief executive officer or chief restructuring officer of five telecommunication firms; experience on other boards of directors.

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**Name, Date of Birth, Position(s) with the Trust and Length of Time Served, Term of Office<sup>1</sup> and Number of Portfolios in the Highland Funds Complex Overseen by the Trustees Independent Trustees**

**Principal Occupations(s) During the Past Five Years and Other Directorships/ Trusteeships Held During the Past Five Years**

**Experience, Qualifications, Attributes, Skills for Board Membership During the Past Five Years**

**Ethan Powell<sup>3</sup>**

(6/20/1975)

Trustee since December 2013; Chairman of the Board since December 2013; 3 year term (expiring at 2022 annual meeting) for the Trust.

23 funds

Trustee of Impact Shares Funds I Trust  
President and Founder of Impact Shares LLC since December 2015; Trustee/Director of the Highland Funds Complex from June 2012 until July 2013 and since December 2013; Chief Product Strategist of Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P. (“HCMFA”) from 2012 until December 2015; Senior Retail Fund Analyst of HCM from 2007 until December 2015 and HCMFA from its inception until December 2015; President and Principal Executive Officer of NHF from June 2012 until May 2015; Secretary of NHF from May 2015 until December 2015; Executive Vice President and Principal Executive Officer of HFI and HFII from June 2012 until December 2015; and Secretary of HFI and HFII from November 2010 to May 2015.

Significant experience in the financial industry; significant executive experience including past service as an officer of funds in the Highland Funds Complex; significant administrative and managerial experience.

**Bryan A. Ward**

(2/4/1955)

Trustee since May 2006  
3 year term (expiring at 2022 annual meeting).

23 funds

Senior Advisor, CrossFirst Bank since April 2019; Private Investor, BW Consulting, LLC since 2014; Senior Manager, Accenture, LLP (a consulting firm) from 1991 until retirement in 2014.

Director of Equity Metrix, LLC

Significant experience on this and/or other boards of directors/trustees; significant managerial and executive experience; significant experience as a management consultant.

**Interested Trustees****Dustin Norris<sup>4</sup>**

(1/6/1984)

Trustee since February 2018; Executive Vice President since April 2019; Nominee for 3 year term expiring at 2021 annual meeting.

23 funds

Head of Distribution and Chief Product Strategist at NexPoint since March 2019; President of NexPoint Securities, Inc. (formerly, Highland Capital Funds Distributor, Inc.) since April 2018; Head of Distribution at HCMFA from November 2017 until March 2019; Secretary of HFRO, GAF, HFI and HFII from October 2017 until April 2019; Assistant Secretary of HFRO and GAF II from August 2017 to October 2017; Chief Product Strategist at HCMFA from September 2015 to March 2019; Director of Product Strategy at HCMFA from May 2014 to September 2015; Assistant Secretary of HFI and HFII from March 2017 to October 2017; Secretary of NHF from December 2015 until April 2019; Assistant Treasurer of NexPoint Real Estate Advisors, L.P. since May 2015; Assistant Treasurer of NexPoint Real Estate Advisors II, L.P. since June 2016; Assistant Treasurer of HFI and HFII from November 2012 to March 2017; Assistant Treasurer of NHF from November 2012 to December 2015; Secretary of the BDC from 2014 until April 2019; and Secretary of the Interval Funds from March 2016 until April 2019.

None

Significant experience in the financial industry; significant managerial and executive experience, including experience as an officer of the Highland Funds Complex since 2012.

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- 1 On an annual basis, as a matter of Board policy, the Governance and Compliance Committee reviews each Trustee's performance and determines whether to extend each such Trustee's service for another year. Effective June 2013, the Board adopted a retirement policy wherein the Governance and Compliance Committee shall not recommend the continued service as a Trustee of a Board member who is older than 80 years of age at the time the Governance and Compliance Committee reports its findings to the Board.
- 2 Since May 1, 2015, Mr. Honis has been treated as an Independent Trustee of the Trust. Prior to that date, Mr. Honis was treated as an Interested Trustee because he was a partner of an investment adviser affiliated with the Adviser until his resignation in November 2014. As of May 31, 2019, Mr. Honis was entitled to receive aggregate severance and/or deferred compensation payments of approximately \$390,000 from another affiliate of the Adviser.  
  
In addition, Mr. Honis serves as a trustee of a trust that owns substantially all of the economic interest in an investment adviser affiliated with the Adviser. Mr. Honis indirectly receives an asset-based fee in respect of such interest, which is projected to range from \$450,000-\$550,000 annually. Additionally, an investment adviser controlled by Mr. Honis has entered into a shared services arrangement with an affiliate of the Adviser, pursuant to which the affiliate provides back office support in exchange for approximately \$50,000 per quarter. The affiliated adviser was paid \$147,000 and \$208,000 in 2017 and 2018, respectively. In light of these relationships between Mr. Honis and affiliates of the Adviser, it is possible that the SEC might in the future determine Mr. Honis to be an interested person of the Trust.
- 3 Prior to December 8, 2017, Mr. Powell was treated as an Interested Trustee of the Trust for all purposes other than compensation and the Trust's code of ethics.
- 4 On February 7, 2018, Mr. Norris was appointed as an Interested Trustee of the Trust.

**OFFICERS**

**Name, Date of Birth, Position(s) held with the Trust and Length of Time Served, Term of Office**

**Principal Occupations(s) During the Past Five Years**

<b>James Dondero</b> (6/29/1962)  President and Principal Executive Officer since May 2015; Indefinite Term	President of HCM, which he co-founded in 1993; Chairman of the Board of NexPoint Residential Trust, Inc. since May 2015; Portfolio Manager of NHF; GAF; Highland Energy MLP Fund, Highland Small-Cap Equity Fund and Highland Premier Growth Equity Fund (each a series of HFII); Highland Opportunistic Credit Fund (series of HFI); the BDC; and the Interval Funds.
<b>Frank Waterhouse</b> (4/14/1971)  Treasurer since May 2015; Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer since October 2017; Principal Executive Officer since February 2018; Indefinite Term	Partner and Chief Financial Officer of HCM; Treasurer of the Highland Funds Complex since May 2015.
<b>Clifford Stoops</b> (11/17/1970)  Assistant Treasurer since March 2017; Indefinite Term	Chief Accounting Officer at HCM; Assistant Treasurer of the Highland Funds Complex since March 2017.

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**Name, Date of Birth, Position(s) held with the Trust and Length of Time Served, Term of Office**

**Principal Occupations(s) During the Past Five Years**

<b>Jason Post</b> (1/9/1979)	Chief Compliance Officer for HCMFA and NexPoint since September 2015; Chief Compliance Officer and Anti-Money Laundering Officer of the Highland Funds Complex since September 2015. Prior to his current role at HCMFA and NexPoint, Mr. Post served as Deputy Chief Compliance Officer and Director of Compliance for HCM.
Chief Compliance Officer since September 2015; Indefinite Term	
<b>Dustin Norris</b> (1/6/1984)	Head of Distribution and Chief Product Strategist at NexPoint since March 2019; President of NexPoint Securities, Inc. since April 2018; Head of Distribution at HCMFA from November 2017 until March 2019; Chief Product Strategist at HCMFA from September 2015 to March 2019; Director of Product Strategy at HCMFA from May 2014 to September 2015; Officer of the Highland Funds Complex since November 2012.
Executive Vice President since April 2019; Indefinite Term	
Trustee since February 2018	
<b>Lauren Thedford</b> (1/7/1989)	Associate General Counsel at HCM since September 2017; In-House Counsel at HCM from January 2015 until September 2017; Secretary of the Highland Funds Complex since April 2019.
Secretary since April 2019; Indefinite Term	

<sup>1</sup> The address for each officer is c/o NexPoint Advisors, L.P., 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201.

**Role of the Board of Trustees, Leadership Structure and Risk Oversight**

***The Role of the Board of Trustees***

The Board oversees the management and operations of the Trust. Like most registered investment companies, the day-to-day management and operation of the Trust is performed by various service providers to the Trust, such as the Investment Adviser, and the distributor, administrator, custodian, and transfer agent. The Board has appointed senior employees of certain of these service providers as officers of the Trust, with responsibility to monitor and report to the Board on the Trust's operations. The Board receives regular reports from these officers and service providers regarding the Trust's operations. For example, the Treasurer provides reports as to financial reporting matters and investment personnel report on the performance of the Trust. The Board has appointed a Chief Compliance Officer who administers the Trust's compliance program and regularly reports to the Board as to compliance matters. Some of these reports are provided as part of formal in-person Board meetings, which are typically held quarterly, in person, and involve the Board's review of, among other items, recent Trust operations. The Board also periodically holds telephonic meetings as part of its review of the Trust's activities. From time to time one or more members of the Board may also meet with management in

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less formal settings, between scheduled Board meetings, to discuss various topics. In all cases, however, the role of the Board and of any individual Trustee is one of oversight and not of management of the day-to-day affairs of the Trust and its oversight role does not make the Board a guarantor of the Trust's investments, operations or activities.

### ***Board Structure and Leadership***

The Board has structured itself in a manner that it believes allows it to perform its oversight function effectively. The Board consists of five Trustees, four of whom are Independent Trustees. Mr. Powell serves as Chairman of the Board. The Trustees meet periodically throughout the year in person and by telephone to oversee the Trust's activities, review contractual arrangements with service providers for the Trust and review the Trust's performance. The Board conducts much of its work through certain standing Committees, each of whose meetings are chaired by an Independent Trustee: an Audit and Qualified Legal Compliance Committee, a Governance and Compliance Committee, and a Distribution and Alternatives Oversight Committee, which are discussed in greater detail below.

*Audit and Qualified Legal Compliance Committee.* The members of the Audit and Qualified Legal Compliance Committee (formerly named the Audit Committee) are Dr. Froehlich and Messrs. Powell and Ward, each of whom is independent for purposes of the Investment Company Act. The Audit and Qualified Legal Compliance Committee is responsible for approving the Trust's independent accountants, reviewing with the Trust's independent accountants the plans and results of the audit engagement and the adequacy of the Trust's internal accounting controls, approving professional services provided by the Trust's independent accountants. The Audit and Qualified Legal Compliance Committee is charged with compliance with Rules 205.2(k) and 205.3(c) of Title 17 of the Code of Federal Regulations regarding alternative reporting procedures for attorneys representing the Trust who appear and practice before the SEC on behalf of the Trust. The Audit and Qualified Legal Compliance Committee is also responsible for reviewing and overseeing the valuation of debt and equity securities that are not publicly traded or for which current market values are not readily available pursuant to policies and procedures adopted by the Board. The Board and Audit and Qualified Legal Compliance Committee will use the services of one or more independent valuation firms to help them determine the fair value of these securities. In addition, each member of the Audit and Qualified Legal Compliance Committee meets the current independence and experience requirements of Rule 10A-3 under the Exchange Act.

The Audit and Qualified Legal Compliance Committee met seven times during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018. Mr. Ward acts as the Chairman of the Audit and Qualified Legal Compliance Committee and as the audit committee financial expert.

*Governance and Compliance Committee.* The Trust's Governance and Compliance Committee's function is to oversee and make recommendations to the full Board or the Independent Trustees, as applicable, with respect to the governance of the Trust, selection and nomination of Trustees, compensation of Trustees, and related matters. The Governance and Compliance Committee is also responsible for at least annually evaluating each Trustee and determining whether to recommend each Trustee's continued service in that capacity. The Governance and Compliance Committee will consider recommendations for Trustee nominees from shareholders sent to the Secretary of the Trust, 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201. A nomination submission must include all information relating to the recommended nominee that is required to be disclosed in solicitations or proxy statements for the election of Trustees, as well as information sufficient to evaluate the recommended nominee's ability to meet the responsibilities of a Trustee of the Trust. Nomination submissions must be accompanied by a written consent of the individual to stand for election if nominated by the Board and to serve if elected by the shareholders, and such additional information must be provided regarding the recommended nominee as reasonably requested by the Governance and Compliance Committee. The Governance and Compliance Committee is currently comprised of Dr. Froehlich and Messrs. Honis, Ward and Powell, each of whom is independent for purposes of the 1940 Act. Mr. Powell serves as the Chairman of the Governance and Compliance Committee. The Governance and Compliance Committee met three times during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018.

*The Distribution and Alternatives Oversight Committee.* The members of the Distribution and Alternatives Oversight Committee are Dr. Froehlich, Messrs. Honis, Norris, Ward, and Powell. The Distribution and Alternatives Oversight Committee is responsible for overseeing any Funds that in the Board's determination employ alternative investment strategies. Dr. Froehlich serves as Chairman of the Distribution and Alternatives Oversight Committee. The Distribution and Alternatives Oversight Committee met two times during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018.

The Board periodically reviews its leadership structure, including the role of the Chairman. The Board also completes an annual self-assessment during which it reviews its leadership and Committee structure and considers whether its structure remains appropriate in light of the Trust's current operations. The Board believes that its leadership structure, including the current percentage of the Board who are Independent Trustees, is appropriate given its specific characteristics. These characteristics include: (i) the extent to which the work of the Board is conducted through the standing committees; (ii) the extent to which the Independent Trustees meet as needed,



together with their independent legal counsel, in the absence of members of management and members of the Board who are “interested persons” of the Trust; and (iii) Mr. Powell’s and Mr. Honis’ previous positions with affiliates of the Investment Adviser, which enhance the Board’s understanding of the operations of the Investment Adviser.

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### ***Board Oversight of Risk Management***

The Board's role is one of oversight, rather than active management. This oversight extends to the Trust's risk management processes. These processes are embedded in the responsibilities of officers of, and service providers to, the Trust. For example, the Investment Adviser and other service providers to the Trust are primarily responsible for the management of the Trust's investment risks. The Board has not established a formal risk oversight committee. However, much of the regular work of the Board and its standing Committees addresses aspects of risk oversight. For example, the Trustees seek to understand the key risks facing the Trust, including those involving conflicts of interest; how management identifies and monitors these risks on an ongoing basis; how management develops and implements controls to mitigate these risks; and how management tests the effectiveness of those controls.

In the course of providing that oversight, the Board receives a wide range of reports on the Trust's activities from the Investment Adviser and other service providers, including reports regarding the Trust's investment portfolio, the compliance of the Trust with applicable laws, and the Trust's financial accounting and reporting. The Board also meets periodically with the Trust's Chief Compliance Officer to receive reports regarding the compliance of the Trust with the federal securities laws and the Trust's internal compliance policies and procedures and meets with the Trust's Chief Compliance Officer periodically, including at least annually, to review the Chief Compliance Officer's annual report, including the Chief Compliance Officer's risk-based analysis for the Trust. The Board's Audit Committee also meets regularly with the Treasurer and the Trust's independent public accounting firm to discuss, among other things, the internal control structure of the Trust's financial reporting function. The Board also meets periodically with the portfolio managers of the Trust to receive reports regarding the management of the Trust, including its investment risks.

The Board recognizes that not all risks that may affect the Trust can be identified, that it may not be practical or cost-effective to eliminate or mitigate certain risks, that it may be necessary to bear certain risks (such as investment-related risks) to achieve the Trust's goals, that reports received by the Trustees with respect to risk management matters are typically summaries of the relevant information, and that the processes, procedures and controls employed to address risks may be limited in their effectiveness. As a result of the foregoing and other factors, risk management oversight by the Board and by the Committees is subject to substantial limitations.

### **Compensation of Trustees**

The officers of the Trust and those of its Trustees who are "interested persons" (as defined in the 1940 Act) of the Trust receive no direct remuneration from the Trust. The following table sets forth the aggregate compensation paid to each of the Trustees who is not an "interested person" (as defined in the 1940 Act) of the Trust (the "Independent Trustees") by the Trust and the total compensation paid to each of the Trustees by the Highland Funds Complex for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018.

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The following table summarizes the compensation paid by the Trust to the Independent Trustees and the aggregate compensation paid by the Fund Complex to the Independent Trustees for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018.

<u>Name of Trustee</u>	<u>Aggregate Compensation From the Trust</u>	<u>Pension or Retirement Benefits Accrued as Part of the Trust's Expense</u>	<u>Estimated Annual Benefits Upon Retirement</u>	<u>Aggregate Compensation from the Highland Funds Complex</u>
<b>Independent Trustees</b>				
Timothy K. Hui <sup>1</sup>	\$ 26,810.30	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 150,000
Bryan A. Ward <sup>2</sup>	\$ 28,844.46	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 160,000
Dr. Bob Froehlich	\$ 26,810.30	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 150,000
John Honis <sup>3</sup>	\$ 26,810.30	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 150,000
Ethan Powell <sup>2,4</sup>	\$ 28,844.46	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 160,000
<b>Interested Trustee</b>				
Dustin Norris <sup>5</sup>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

- Effective March 31, 2019, Mr. Hui resigned as an Independent Trustee of the Trust. Mr. Hui's resignation was related to a reduction in the size of the Board to five members. There were no material conflicts, disagreements or other issues between Mr. Hui, the Board of Trustees or NexPoint.
- Effective December 31, 2018, the Board approved an aggregate compensation increase of \$10,000 payable to each of the Chairman of the Audit Committee and the Chairman of the Board.
- Effective May 1, 2015, Mr. Honis is treated as an Independent Trustee of the Trust.
- Prior to December 8, 2017, Mr. Powell was treated as an Interested Trustee of the Trust for all purposes other than compensation and the Trust's code of ethics.
- On February 7, 2018, Mr. Norris was appointed an Interested Trustee of the Trust.

## Share Ownership

The following table shows the dollar range of equity securities beneficially owned by the Trustees in the Trust and the aggregate dollar range of equity securities owned by the Trustees in all funds overseen by the Trustees in the Highland Funds Complex as of June 30, 2018.

<u>Name of Trustee</u>	<u>Dollar Range of Equity Securities in the Trust</u>	<u>Aggregate Dollar Range of Equity Securities Owned in All Funds of the Highland Fund Complex<sup>1</sup> Overseen by Trustee</u>
<b>Independent Trustees</b>		
Ethan Powell <sup>1</sup>	Over \$ 100,000	Over \$ 100,000
John Honis <sup>2</sup>	None	None
Dr. Bob Froehlich	None	Over \$ 100,000
Bryan A. Ward	\$1-\$10,000	Over \$ 100,000
<b>Interested Trustee</b>		
Dustin Norris <sup>3</sup>	Over \$ 100,000	Over \$ 100,000

- Prior to December 8, 2017, Mr. Powell was treated as an Interested Trustee of the Trust for all purposes other than compensation and the Trust's code of ethics.
- Effective May 1, 2015, Mr. Honis is treated as an Independent Trustee of the Trust.
- On February 7, 2018, Mr. Norris was appointed an Interested Trustee of the Trust.

## Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures

The Board has delegated the voting of proxies for Trust securities to the Investment Adviser pursuant to the Investment Adviser's proxy voting policies and procedures. Under these policies and procedures, the Investment Adviser will vote proxies related to Trust securities in the best interests of the Trust and its shareholders. A copy of the Investment Adviser's proxy voting policies and procedures is attached as Appendix B to this SAI. The Trust's proxy voting record for the most recent 12-month period ending June 30 is available (i) without charge, upon request, by calling 1-866-351-4440 and (ii) on the SEC's web site (<http://www.sec.gov>).



[Table of Contents](#)**Codes of Ethics**

The Trust and the Investment Adviser have adopted codes of ethics under Rule 17j-1 of the Investment Company Act. These codes permit personnel subject to the codes to invest in securities, including securities that may be purchased or held by the Trust. These codes can be reviewed and copied at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, D.C. Information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling the SEC at 1-202-551-8090. The codes of ethics are available on the EDGAR Database on the SEC's web site (<http://www.sec.gov>), and copies of these codes may be obtained, after paying a duplicating fee, by electronic request at the following e-mail address: [publicinfo@sec.gov](mailto:publicinfo@sec.gov), or by writing the SEC's Public Reference Section, Washington, D.C. 20549-0102.

**Investment Adviser**

Effective June 14, 2012, NexPoint Advisors, L.P. became the investment adviser and administrator to the Trust. Prior to June 14, 2012, HCMFA (formerly Pyxis Capital, L.P.) was the investment adviser and administrator to the Trust. For a description of the Investment Adviser, including a description of its controlling persons, see "Management of the Trust—Investment Adviser" in the Trust's Prospectus.

As described in more detail in the Trust's Prospectus, in return for its advisory services, the Investment Adviser receives an annual fee, payable monthly, in an amount equal to 1.00% of the average weekly value of the Trust's Managed Assets (the "Advisory Fee"). The accrued fees are payable monthly as promptly as possible after the end of each month during which the investment advisory agreement is in effect.

Pursuant to the investment advisory agreement, the Trust has paid the following amounts as Advisory Fees to the Investment Adviser for the past three fiscal years:

2016	2017	2018
\$5,419,265	\$5,853,721	\$8,590,032

**Administration Services**

As described in more detail in the Trust's Prospectus, in return for its administrative services, the Investment Adviser receives an annual fee, payable monthly, in an amount equal to 0.20% of the average weekly value of the Trust's Managed Assets. Pursuant to the Trust's administration services agreement, the Investment Adviser performs the following services: (i) prepare monthly security transaction listings; (ii) supply various normal and customary portfolio and Trust statistical data as requested on an ongoing basis; (iii) prepare for execution and file the Trust's Federal and state tax returns; prepare a fiscal tax provision in coordination with the annual audit; prepare an excise tax provision; and prepare all relevant 1099 calculations; (iv) coordinate contractual relationships and communications between the Trust and its contractual service providers; (v) coordinate printing of the Trust's annual and semi-annual shareholder reports; (vi) prepare income and capital gain distributions; (vii) prepare the semiannual and annual financial statements; (viii) monitor the Trust's compliance with Internal Revenue Code, SEC and Prospectus requirements; (ix) prepare, coordinate with the Trust's counsel and coordinate the filing with the SEC: annual reports on Form N-CEN and semi-annual reports on Form N-CSR; Form N-PORT; and Form N-PX based upon information provided by the Trust; assist in the preparation of Forms 3, 4 and 5 pursuant to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act for the officers and trustees of the Trust, such filings to be based on information provided by those persons; (x) assist in the preparation of notices of meetings of shareholders and coordinate preparation of proxy statements; (xi) assist in obtaining the fidelity bond and trustees' and officers' errors and omissions insurance policies for the Trust in accordance with the requirements of Rule 17g-1 and 17d-1(d)(7) under the Investment Company Act; (xii) monitor the Trust's assets to assure adequate fidelity bond coverage is maintained; (xiii) draft agendas and resolutions for quarterly and special Board meetings; (xiv) coordinate the preparation, assembly and mailing of Board materials; (xv) attend Board meetings and draft minutes thereof; (xvi) maintain the Trust's corporate calendar to assure compliance with various filing and Board approval deadlines; (xvii) assist the Trust in the handling of SEC examinations and responses thereto; (xviii) assist the Trust's chief executive officer and chief financial officer in making certifications required under the SEC's disclosure forms; (xix) prepare and coordinate the Trust's state notice filings; (xx) furnish the Trust office space in the offices of the Investment Adviser, or in such other place or places as may be agreed from time to time, and all necessary office facilities, simple business equipment, supplies, utilities and telephone service for managing the affairs of the Trust; (xxi) perform clerical, bookkeeping and other administrative services not provided by the Trust's other service providers; (xxii) determine or oversee the determination and publication of the Trust's NAV in accordance with the Trust's policies as adopted from time to time by the Board; (xxiii) oversee the maintenance by the Trust's custodian and transfer agent and dividend disbursing agent of certain books and records of the Trust as required under Rule 31a-1(b)(2)(iv) of the Investment Company Act and maintain (or oversee maintenance by such



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other persons as approved by the Board) such other books and records required by law or for the proper operation of the Trust; (xxiv) determine the amounts available for distribution as dividends and distributions to be paid by the Trust to its shareholders; calculate, analyze and prepare a detailed income analysis and forecast future earnings for presentation to the Board; prepare and arrange for the printing of dividend notices to shareholders, as applicable, and provide the Trust's dividend disbursing agent and custodian with such information as is required for such parties to effect the payment of dividends and distributions and to implement the Trust's dividend reinvestment plan; (xxv) serve as liaison between the Trust and each of its service providers; (xxvi) assist in monitoring and tracking the daily cash flows of the individual assets of the Trust, as well as security position data of portfolio investments; assist in resolving any identified discrepancies with the appropriate third party, including the Trust's custodian, administrative agents and other service providers, through various means including researching available data via agent notices, financial news and data services, and other sources; (xxvii) monitor compliance with leverage tests under the Trust's credit facility, and communicate with leverage providers and rating agencies; (xxviii) coordinate negotiation and renewal of credit agreements for presentation to the Board; (xxix) coordinate negotiations of agreements with counterparties and the Trust's custodian for derivatives, short sale and similar transactions, as applicable; (xxx) provide assistance with the settlement of trades of portfolio securities; (xxxi) coordinate and oversee the provision of legal services to the Trust; (xxxii) cooperate with the Trust's independent registered public accounting firm in connection with audits and reviews of the Trust's financial statements, including interviews and other meetings, and provide necessary information and coordinate confirmations of bank loans and other assets for which custody is not through DTC, as necessary; (xxxiii) provide Secretary and any Assistant Secretaries, Treasurer and any Assistant Treasurers and other officers for the Trust as requested; (xxxiv) develop or assist in developing compliance guidelines and procedures; (xxxv) investigate and research customer and other complaints to determine liability, facilitate resolution and promote equitable treatment of all parties; (xxxvi) determine and monitor expense accruals for the Trust; (xxxvii) authorize expenditures and approve bills for payment on behalf of the Trust; (xxxviii) monitor the number of shares of the Trust registered and assist in the registration of additional shares, as necessary; (xxxix) prepare such reports as the Board may request from time to time; (xl) administer and oversee any securities lending program of the Trust; and (xli) perform such additional administrative duties relating to the administration of the Trust as may subsequently be agreed upon in writing between the Trust and the Investment Adviser. The Investment Adviser shall have the authority to engage a sub-administrator in connection with the administrative services of the Trust, which sub-administrator may be an affiliate of the Investment Adviser; provided, however, that the Investment Adviser shall remain responsible to the Trust with respect to its duties and obligations set forth in the administration services agreement. Accordingly, under a separate sub-administration services agreement, dated July 19, 2018, as amended from time to time, the Investment Adviser has delegated certain administrative functions to SEI Investments Global Funds Services.

Pursuant to the administration services agreement, the Trust has paid the following amounts as Administration Fees to the Investment Adviser and HCMFA for the past three fiscal years:

### Administration Fees

<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
\$1,083,853	\$1,170,744	\$959,793

### Portfolio Manager

The portfolio manager of the Trust is James Dondero.

As of June 30, 2019, Mr. Dondero managed the following client accounts:

<u>Type of Account</u>	<u>Number of Accounts Managed</u>	<u>Total Assets (millions)</u>	<u>Number of Accounts Managed Subject to Performance-Based Advisory Fee</u>	<u>Total Assets Subject to Performance-Based Advisory Fee (millions)</u>
Registered Investment				
Companies:	11	\$ 1,760	1	\$ 91
Other Pooled Investment				
Vehicles:	2	\$ 1,046	2	\$ 1,046
Other Accounts:	0	\$ 0	0	\$ 0

Because the portfolio manager manages other accounts, including accounts that may pay higher fees, potential conflicts of interest exist, including potential conflicts between the investment strategy of the Trust and the investment strategy of the other accounts managed by the portfolio manager and potential conflicts in the allocation of investment opportunities between the Trust and the other accounts.





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The Investment Adviser has built a professional working environment, a firm-wide compliance culture and compliance procedures and systems designed to protect against potential incentives that may favor one account over another. The Investment Adviser has adopted policies and procedures that address the allocation of investment opportunities, execution of portfolio transactions, personal trading by employees and other potential conflicts of interest that are designed to ensure that all client accounts are treated equitably over time. Nevertheless, the Investment Adviser furnishes advisory services to numerous clients in addition to the Trust, and the Investment Adviser may, consistent with applicable law, make investment recommendations to other clients or accounts (including accounts which are hedge funds or have performance or higher fees paid to the Investment Adviser, or in which portfolio managers have a personal interest in the receipt of such fees), which may be the same as or different from those made to the Trust. In addition, the Investment Adviser, its affiliates and any officer, director, stockholder or employee may or may not have an interest in the securities whose purchase and sale the Investment Adviser recommends to the Trust. Actions with respect to securities of the same kind may be the same as or different from the action which the Investment Adviser, or any of its affiliates, or any officer, director, stockholder, employee or any member of their families may take with respect to the same securities. Moreover, the Investment Adviser may refrain from rendering any advice or services concerning securities of companies of which any of the Investment Adviser's (or its affiliates') officers, directors or employees are directors or officers, or companies as to which the Investment Adviser or any of its affiliates or the officers, directors and employees of any of them has any substantial economic interest or possesses material non-public information. In addition to its various policies and procedures designed to address these issues, the Investment Adviser includes disclosure regarding these matters to its clients in both its Form ADV and investment advisory agreements.

The Investment Adviser, its affiliates or their officers and employees serve or may serve as officers, directors or principals of entities that operate in the same or related lines of business or of investment funds managed by affiliates of the Investment Adviser. Accordingly, these individuals may have obligations to investors in those entities or funds or to other clients, the fulfillment of which might not be in the best interests of the Trust. As a result, the Investment Adviser will face conflicts in the allocation of investment opportunities to the Trust and other funds and clients. In order to enable such affiliates to fulfill their fiduciary duties to each of the clients for which they have responsibility, the Investment Adviser will endeavor to allocate investment opportunities in a fair and equitable manner which may, subject to applicable regulatory constraints, involve pro rata co-investment by the Trust and such other clients or may involve a rotation of opportunities among the Trust and such other clients.

The Investment Adviser and its affiliates have both subjective and objective procedures and policies in place designed to manage the potential conflicts of interest between the Investment Adviser's fiduciary obligations to the Trust and their similar fiduciary obligations to other clients so that, for example, investment opportunities are allocated in a fair and equitable manner among the Trust and such other clients. An investment opportunity that is suitable for multiple clients of the Investment Adviser and its affiliates may not be capable of being shared among some or all of such clients due to the limited scale of the opportunity or other factors, including regulatory restrictions imposed by the Investment Company Act. There can be no assurance that the Investment Adviser's or its affiliates' efforts to allocate any particular investment opportunity fairly among all clients for whom such opportunity is appropriate will result in an allocation of all or part of such opportunity to the Trust. Not all conflicts of interest can be expected to be resolved in favor of the Trust.

Under current SEC guidance, the Trust may be prohibited from co-investing with certain of its affiliates in some types of private placement transactions (see Co-Investment Opportunities, below, for more information).

## **Compensation**

The Investment Adviser's financial arrangements with its portfolio managers, its competitive compensation and its career path emphasis at all levels reflect the value senior management places on key resources. Compensation may include a variety of components and may vary from year to year based on a number of factors including the relative performance of a portfolio managers' underlying account, the combined performance of the portfolio managers underlying accounts, and the relative performance of the portfolio managers underlying accounts measured against other employees. The principal components of compensation include a base salary, a discretionary bonus and various retirement benefits.

*Base Compensation.* Generally, portfolio managers receive base compensation based on their seniority and/or their position with the firm, which may include the amount of assets supervised and other management roles within the firm. Base compensation is determined by taking into account current industry norms and market data to ensure that the Investment Adviser pays a competitive base compensation.

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*Discretionary Compensation.* In addition to base compensation, portfolio managers may receive discretionary compensation, which can be a substantial portion of total compensation. Discretionary compensation can include a discretionary cash bonus paid to recognize specific business contributions and to ensure that the total level of compensation is competitive with the market, as well as participation in incentive plans.

Because each person's compensation is based on his or her individual performance, the Investment Adviser does not have a typical percentage split among base salary, bonus and other compensation. Senior portfolio managers who perform additional management functions may receive additional compensation in these other capacities. Compensation is structured such that key professionals benefit from remaining with the Investment Adviser. The Investment Adviser believes it is in the best interest of shareholders to maintain stability of portfolio management personnel.

## **Conflicts of Interest**

From time to time, potential and actual conflicts of interest may arise between the portfolio manager's management of the investments of the Trust, on the one hand, and the management of other accounts, on the other. Potential and actual conflicts of interest may also arise as a result of the Investment Adviser's other business activities and the Investment Adviser's possession of material non-public information about an issuer. Other accounts managed by the portfolio manager might have similar investment objectives or strategies as the Trust, or otherwise hold, purchase, or sell securities that are eligible to be held, purchased or sold by the Trust. The other accounts might also have different investment objectives or strategies than the Trust.

*Knowledge and Timing of Trust Trades.* A potential conflict of interest may arise as a result of the portfolio manager's day-to-day management of the Trust. Because of his position with the Trust, the portfolio manager knows the size, timing and possible market impact of the Trust's trades. It is theoretically possible that the portfolio manager could use this information to the advantage of other accounts he manages and to the possible detriment of the Trust.

*Investment Opportunities.* A potential conflict of interest may arise as a result of the portfolio manager's management of a number of accounts with varying investment guidelines. Often, an investment opportunity may be suitable for both the Trust and other accounts managed by the portfolio manager, but may not be available in sufficient quantities for both the Trust and the other accounts to participate fully. Similarly, there may be limited opportunity to sell an investment held by the Trust and another account. The Investment Adviser has adopted policies and procedures reasonably designed to allocate investment opportunities on a fair and equitable basis over time.

Under the Investment Adviser's allocation procedures, investment opportunities are allocated among various investment strategies based on individual account investment guidelines and the Investment Adviser's investment outlook. The Investment Adviser has also adopted additional procedures to complement the general trade allocation policy that are designed to address potential conflicts of interest due to the side-by-side management of the Trust and certain pooled investment vehicles, including investment opportunity allocation issues.

Conflicts potentially limiting the Trust's investment opportunities may also arise when the Trust and other clients of the Investment Adviser invest in different parts of an issuer's capital structure, such as when the Trust owns senior debt obligations of an issuer and other clients own junior tranches of the same issuer, or when the Trust owns debt securities of an issuer and other clients own equity securities of the same issuer. In such circumstances, if the issuer experiences financial or operational challenges, decisions over whether to trigger an event of default, over the terms of any workout, or how to exit an investment may result in conflicts of interest (including, for example, conflicts over proposed waivers and amendments to debt covenants). For example, a debt holder may be better served by a liquidation of the issuer in which it may be paid in full, whereas an equity holder might prefer a reorganization that holds the potential to create value for the equity holders. In addition, the Investment Adviser may also, in certain circumstances, pursue or enforce rights with respect to a particular issuer jointly on behalf of one or more of its clients, or the Investment Adviser's personnel may work together to pursue or enforce such rights. Certain clients may be negatively impacted by the Investment Adviser's activities on behalf of its other clients, and transactions on behalf of some clients may be impaired or effected at prices or terms that may be less favorable than would otherwise have been the case. In order to minimize such conflicts, the portfolio manager may avoid certain investment opportunities that would potentially give rise to conflicts with other clients of the Investment Adviser or the Investment Adviser may enact internal procedures designed to minimize such conflicts, which could have the effect of limiting the Trust's investment opportunities.

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Additionally, if the Investment Adviser acquires material non-public confidential information in connection with its business activities for other clients, the portfolio manager may be restricted from purchasing securities or selling securities for the Trust. When making investment decisions where a conflict of interest may arise, the Investment Adviser will endeavor to act in a fair and equitable manner as between the Trust and other clients; however, in certain instances the resolution of the conflict may result in the Investment Adviser acting on behalf of another client in a manner that may not be in the best interest, or may be opposed to the best interest, of the Trust.

*Performance Fees.* The portfolio manager may advise certain accounts with respect to which the advisory fee is based entirely or partially on performance. Performance fee arrangements may create a conflict of interest for the portfolio manager in that the portfolio manager may have an incentive to allocate the investment opportunities that he believes might be the most profitable to such other accounts instead of allocating them to the Trust. The Investment Adviser has adopted policies and procedures reasonably designed to allocate investment opportunities between the Trust and such other accounts on a fair and equitable basis over time.

## **Co-Investment Opportunities**

The Trust expects in the future to co-invest on a concurrent basis with other affiliates, unless doing so is impermissible under existing regulatory guidance, applicable regulations and our allocation procedures. The Trust, HCMFA and the Investment Adviser have obtained an exemptive order dated April 19, 2016 from the SEC to permit co-investments among the Trust and other accounts managed by the Investment Adviser or its affiliates, subject to certain conditions.

## **Securities Ownership of Portfolio Manager**

The following table sets forth the dollar range of equity securities of the Trust beneficially owned by the portfolio manager as of June 30, 2019.

<u>Name of Portfolio Manager</u>	<u>Dollar Range of Equity Securities in the Trust</u>
James Dondero	Over \$1,000,000

## **PORTFOLIO TRANSACTIONS AND BROKERAGE**

### **Selection of Broker-Dealers; Order Placement**

Subject to the overall review of the Board, the Investment Adviser is responsible for decisions to buy and sell securities and other portfolio holdings of the Trust, for selecting the broker or dealer to be used, and for negotiating any commission rates paid. In underwritten offerings, securities usually are purchased at a fixed price that includes an amount of compensation to the underwriter, generally referred to as the underwriter's concession or discount. On occasion, certain money market instruments may be purchased directly from an issuer, in which case no commissions or discounts are paid.

The Investment Adviser and its affiliates manage other accounts, including private funds and individual accounts that invest in senior loans and Trust investments. Although investment decisions for the Trust are made independently from those of such other accounts, investments of the type the Trust may make also may be made on behalf of such other accounts. When the Trust and one or more other accounts is prepared to invest in, or desires to dispose of, the same investment, available investments or opportunities for each are allocated in a manner believed by the Investment Adviser to be equitable over time. The Investment Adviser may (but is not obligated to) aggregate orders, which may include orders for accounts in which the Investment Adviser or its affiliates have an interest, to purchase and sell securities to obtain favorable execution or lower brokerage commissions, to the extent permitted by applicable laws and regulations. Although the Investment Adviser believes that, over time, the potential benefits of participating in volume transactions and negotiating lower transaction costs should benefit all participating accounts, in some cases these activities may adversely affect the price paid or received or the size of the position obtained by or disposed of for the Trust. Where trades are aggregated, the investments or proceeds, as well as the expenses incurred, will be allocated by the Investment Adviser in a manner designed to be equitable and consistent with the Investment Adviser's fiduciary duty to the Trust and its other clients (including its duty to seek to obtain best execution of client trades).

### **Commission Rates; Brokerage and Research Services**

In placing orders for the Trust's portfolio, the Investment Adviser is required to give primary consideration to obtaining the most favorable price and efficient execution. This means that the Investment Adviser will seek to execute each transaction at a price and commission, if any, which provides the most favorable total cost or proceeds reasonably attainable in the circumstances. In seeking the most favorable price and execution, the Investment Adviser, having in mind the Trust's best interests, will consider all

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factors it deems relevant, including, by way of illustration: price; the size, type and difficulty of the transaction; the nature of the market for the security; the amount of the commission; the timing of the transaction taking into account market prices and trends; operational capabilities; the reputation, experience and financial stability of the broker-dealer involved; and the quality of service rendered by the broker-dealer in other transactions. Though the Investment Adviser generally seeks reasonably competitive commissions or spreads, the Trust will not necessarily be paying the lowest commission or spread available. The Investment Adviser may place portfolio transactions, to the extent permitted by law, with brokerage firms participating in a distribution of the Trust's shares if it reasonably believes that the quality of execution and the commission are comparable to that available from other qualified firms.

The Investment Adviser seeks to obtain "best execution" considering the execution price and overall commission costs paid and other factors. The Investment Adviser routes its orders to various broker-dealers for execution at its discretion. Factors involved in selecting brokerage firms include the size, type and difficulty of the transaction, the nature of the market for the security, the reputation, experience and financial stability of the broker-dealer involved, the quality of service, the quality of research and investment information provided and the firm's risk in positioning a block of securities. Within the framework of the policy of obtaining the most favorable price and efficient execution, the Investment Adviser does consider "brokerage and research services" (as defined in the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) provided by brokers who effect portfolio transactions with the Investment Adviser or the Trust. "Brokerage and research services" are services that brokerage houses customarily provide to institutional investors and include statistical and economic data and research reports on particular issuers and industries.

### **Affiliated Brokers; Regular Broker-Dealers**

The Investment Adviser is currently affiliated with NexBank Securities, Inc. ("NexBank"), a Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA") member broker-dealer that is indirectly controlled by the principals of the Investment Adviser. Absent an exemption from the SEC or other regulatory relief, the Trust is generally precluded from effecting certain principal transactions with affiliated brokers. The Trust may utilize affiliated brokers for agency transactions subject to compliance with policies and procedures adopted pursuant to Rule 17e-1 under the Investment Company Act. These policies and procedures are designed to provide that commissions, fees or other remuneration received by any affiliated broker or its affiliates for agency transactions are reasonable and fair compared to the remuneration received by other brokers in comparable transactions.

During the fiscal years ended December 31, 2016, December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2018, the Trust paid brokerage commissions of \$290,318, \$557,751 and \$521,016, respectively, of which \$0 was paid to NexBank.

There were no payments made to other brokers by the Trust during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018 that were directed at least partially on the basis of research services they provided.

During the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018, the Trust did not acquire any securities of its regular brokers or dealers. At that date, the Trust did not hold any securities of its regular brokers or dealers. For these purposes, regular brokers or dealers are (a) the brokers or dealers that received the greatest dollar amount of brokerage commissions by virtue of direct or indirect participation in the Trust's portfolio transactions during the Trust's most recent fiscal year, (b) the brokers or dealers that engaged as principal in the largest dollar amount of portfolio transactions of the Trust during the Trust's most recent fiscal year, or (c) the brokers or dealers that sold the largest dollar amount of securities of the Trust during the Trust's most recent fiscal year.

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The following table sets forth, as of June 30, 2019, the beneficial ownership of each of our directors, executive officers, each person known to us to beneficially own 5% or more of the outstanding shares of our common stock, and the executive officers and directors as a “group,” as the term is defined in Section 13(d) of the 1934 Act.

<u>Name and Address on Account</u>	<u>% of Shares</u>
Morgan Stanley 2000 Westchester Avenue Purchase, NY 10577-2530	14.83%
Wells CLRG One North Jefferson Avenue Mail Code: H0004-050 St. Louis, MO 63103	10.72%
National Financial Services LLC For exclusive benefit of our customers 499 Washington Blvd. Attn. Mutual Funds Dept. 4th Floor Jersey City, NJ 07310	9.79%
Pershing One Pershing Plaza Jersey City, NJ 07399	7.55%
Charles Schwab 211 Main Street San Francisco, CA 94105 States	5.77%

**REPURCHASE OF COMMON SHARES**

The Trust is a closed-end management investment company and as such its shareholders will not have the right to cause the Trust to redeem their shares. Instead, the Trust’s common shares will trade in the open market at a price that will be a function of several factors, including dividend levels (which are in turn affected by performance and expenses), NAV, call protection, dividend stability, relative demand for and supply of such shares in the market, general market and economic conditions and other factors. Because shares of a closed-end investment company may frequently trade at prices lower than NAV, the Board may consider action that might be taken to reduce or eliminate any material discount from NAV in respect of common shares, which may include the repurchase of such shares in the open market or in private transactions, the making of a tender offer for such shares, or the conversion of the Trust to an open-end investment company. The Board may decide not to take any of these actions. In addition, there can be no assurance that share repurchases or tender offers, if undertaken, will reduce market discount. On November 2, 2016, the Board approved a share repurchase program pursuant to which the Trust may repurchase, over a six-month period beginning on December 1, 2016, up to \$10 million of its shares of its outstanding shares in open-market transactions. In connection with the May 8, 2017 rights offering, the Board approved the extension of the Repurchase Program for a period of one year from the closing of the rights offering. As of the date of the Prospectus, the Trust has not completed any repurchases.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, at any time when there are outstanding borrowings, the Trust may not purchase, redeem or otherwise acquire any of its common shares unless (i) all accrued preferred shares dividends have been paid and (ii) at the time of such purchase, redemption or acquisition, the NAV of the Trust’s portfolio (determined after deducting the acquisition price of the common shares) is at least 200% of the liquidation value of the outstanding borrowings. Any service fees incurred in connection with any tender offer made by the Trust will be borne by the Trust and will not reduce the stated consideration to be paid to tendering shareholders.

Subject to its investment restrictions, the Trust may borrow to finance the repurchase of shares or to make a tender offer. Interest on any borrowings to finance share repurchase transactions or the accumulation of cash by the Trust in anticipation of share repurchases or tenders will reduce the Trust’s net income. Any share repurchase, tender offer or borrowing that might be approved by the Board would have to comply with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Investment Company Act and the rules and regulations thereunder.

Although the decision to take action in response to a discount from NAV will be made by the Board at the time it considers such issue, it is the Board's present policy, which may be changed by the Board, not to authorize repurchases of common

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shares or a tender offer for such shares if: (1) such transactions, if consummated, would (a) result in the delisting of the common shares from the New York Stock Exchange, or (b) impair the Trust's eligibility for treatment as a RIC under the Code (which could cause the Trust's income to be taxed at the corporate level in addition to the taxation of shareholders who receive dividends from the Trust), or as a registered closed-end investment company under the Investment Company Act; (2) the Trust would not be able to liquidate portfolio securities in an orderly manner and consistent with the Trust's investment objectives and policies in order to repurchase shares; or (3) there is, in the Board's judgment, any (a) material legal action or proceeding instituted or threatened challenging such transactions or otherwise materially adversely affecting the Trust, (b) general suspension of or limitation on prices for trading securities on the New York Stock Exchange, (c) declaration of a banking moratorium by federal or state authorities or any suspension of payment by U.S. or New York banks, (d) material limitation affecting the Trust or the issuers of its portfolio securities by federal or state authorities on the extension of credit by lending institutions or on the exchange of foreign currency, (e) commencement of war, armed hostilities or other international or national calamity directly or indirectly involving the United States or (f) other event or condition which would have a material adverse effect (including any adverse tax effect) on the Trust or its shareholders if shares were repurchased. The Board may in the future modify these conditions in light of experience.

The repurchase by the Trust of its shares at prices below NAV will result in an increase in the NAV of those shares that remain outstanding. However, there can be no assurance that share repurchases or tender offers at or below NAV will result in the Trust's shares trading at a price equal to their NAV. Nevertheless, the fact that the Trust's shares may be the subject of repurchase or tender offers from time to time, or that the Trust may be converted to an open-end investment company, may reduce any spread between market price and NAV that might otherwise exist.

Before deciding whether to take any action if the common shares trade below NAV, the Board would likely consider all relevant factors, including the extent and duration of the discount, the liquidity of the Trust's portfolio, the impact of any action that might be taken on the Trust or its shareholders and market considerations. Based on these considerations, even if the Trust's shares should trade at a discount, the Board may determine that, in the interest of the Trust and its shareholders, no action should be taken.

If the Board determines to repurchase common shares in a private transaction or to make a tender offer for the common shares, the terms of any such offer may require a selling or tendering (as applicable) shareholder to sell or tender (and thus effectively sell) all of his or her or its common shares held, or considered to be held under certain attribution rules of the Code, by such shareholder. Shareholders who sell (in a private repurchase transaction) or successfully tender and effectively sell (pursuant to a tender offer) to the Trust all common shares held or considered to be held by them generally will be treated as having sold their shares and generally will realize a capital gain or loss. If a shareholder sells or tenders and effectively sells, as applicable, fewer than all of his or her common shares, such shareholder may be treated as having received a distribution under Section 301 of the Code ("Section 301 distribution") unless such distribution is treated as being either (i) "substantially disproportionate" with respect to such shareholder or (ii) otherwise "not essentially equivalent to a dividend" under the relevant rules of the Code. A Section 301 distribution is not treated as a sale or exchange giving rise to a capital gain or loss, but rather is treated as a dividend to the extent supported by the Fund's current and accumulated earnings and profits, with the excess treated as a return of capital reducing the shareholder's tax basis in Fund shares, and thereafter as capital gain. Where a redeeming shareholder is treated as receiving a dividend, there is a risk that remaining shareholders whose percentage share interests in the Trust increase as a result of such sale or tender by the other shareholder will be treated as having received a taxable distribution from the Trust. The extent of such risk will vary depending upon the particular circumstances of the private repurchase or tender offer, in particular whether such offer is a single and isolated event or is part of a plan for periodically redeeming the common shares of the Trust; if isolated, any such risk is likely remote. If, instead, the Board determines to repurchase common shares on the open market, a selling shareholder may also be treated as having received a taxable dividend upon the sale, even though a selling shareholder would have no specific knowledge that he or she or it is selling shares to the Trust. In that event, there is generally a risk that remaining shareholders whose percentage share interests in the Trust increase as a result of any such open-market sales will be treated as having received a taxable distribution from the Trust.

To the extent the Trust recognizes net gains on the liquidation of portfolio securities to meet any such repurchase or tender, the Trust will be required to make additional distributions to its common shareholders.



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The following discussion of U.S. federal income tax consequences of investment in common and preferred shares of the Trust is based on the Code, U.S. Treasury regulations promulgated thereunder, and other applicable authority, as of the date of this SAI. These authorities may be changed, possibly with retroactive effect, or become subject to new legislative, administrative, or judicial interpretation. The following discussion is only a summary of some of the important U.S. federal tax considerations generally applicable to investments in the Trust and does not constitute tax advice. This summary does not purport to be a complete description of the U.S. federal income tax considerations applicable to an investment in common or preferred shares of the Trust. There may be other U.S. federal income tax consequences applicable to particular common or preferred shareholders. For example, except as otherwise specifically noted herein, we have not described certain tax considerations that may be relevant to certain types of holders subject to special treatment under the U.S. federal income tax laws, including shareholders subject to the U.S. federal alternative minimum tax, insurance companies, tax-exempt organizations, pension plans and trusts, RICs, dealers in securities, shareholders holding Trust shares through tax-advantaged accounts (such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts), financial institutions, shareholders holding Trust shares as part of a hedge, straddle, or conversion transaction, entities that are not organized under the laws of the United States or a political subdivision thereof, and persons who are neither citizens nor residents of the United States. This summary assumes that investors hold Trust common or preferred shares as capital assets (within the meaning of the Code). Shareholders should consult their own tax advisers regarding their particular situation and the possible application of U.S. federal, state, local, foreign or other tax laws.

This summary does not discuss the tax consequences of an investment in subscription rights of the Trust, separately, or as part of a unit consisting of two or more securities. See “Description of Capital Structure—Subscription Rights” in the Prospectus for a discussion of the material U.S. federal income tax consequences of the Trust’s issuance of subscription rights to common and preferred shareholders.

**Taxation of the Trust**

The Trust has elected to be treated as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code and intends each year to qualify and to be eligible to be treated as such. In order to qualify for the special tax treatment accorded RICs and their shareholders, the Trust must, among other things:

(i) derive at least 90% of its gross income for each taxable year from: (a) dividends, interest (including tax-exempt interest), payments with respect to certain securities loans, gains from the sale or other disposition of stock, securities or foreign currencies, or other income (including but not limited to gains from options, futures and forward contracts) derived with respect to its business of investing in such stock, securities or foreign currencies; and (b) net income derived from interests in “qualified publicly traded partnerships” (as described below);

(ii) diversify its holdings so that, at the end of each quarter of the Trust’s taxable year, (a) at least 50% of the market value of the Trust’s total assets consists of cash and cash items, U.S. government securities, the securities of other RICs and other securities limited, in respect of any one issuer, to an amount not greater than 5% of the value of the Trust’s total assets and not more than 10% of the outstanding voting securities of such issuer, and (b) not more than 25% of the value of the Trust’s total assets is invested, including through corporations in which the Trust owns a 20% or more voting stock interest, (x) in the securities (other than U.S. government securities and the securities of other RICs) of any one issuer or of two or more issuers that the Trust controls, as determined under applicable Code rules, and that are determined to be engaged in the same business or similar or related trades or businesses, or (y) in the securities of one or more “qualified publicly traded partnerships” (as described below); and

(iii) distribute to its shareholders with respect to each taxable year at least the sum of 90% of its “investment company taxable income” (as that term is defined in the Code, without regard to the deduction for dividends paid—generally taxable ordinary income and the excess, if any, of net short-term capital gains over net long-term capital losses) and 90% of any net tax-exempt interest income (the excess of its gross tax-exempt interest over certain disallowed deductions), for such year.

In general, for purposes of the 90% gross income requirement described in (i) above, income derived from a partnership will be treated as qualifying income only to the extent such income is attributable to items of income of the partnership which would be qualifying income if realized directly by the RIC. However, 100% of the net income derived from an interest in a “qualified publicly traded partnership” (generally, a partnership (y) interests in which are traded on an established securities market or readily tradable on a secondary market or the substantial equivalent thereof and (z) that meets certain qualifying income requirements but derives less than 90% of its income from the qualifying income described in (i)(a) above) will be treated as qualifying income. In general, such entities will be treated as partnerships for federal income tax purposes because they meet the passive income requirement under Section 7704(c)(2) of the Code. MLPs in which the Trust may invest will generally qualify as qualified publicly traded partnerships. In addition, although in

general the passive loss rules of the Code do not apply to RICs, such rules do apply to a RIC with respect to items attributable to an interest in a qualified publicly traded partnership.

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For purposes of meeting the diversification requirement described in (ii) above, the term “outstanding voting securities of such issuer” will include the equity securities of a qualified publicly traded partnership. Also, for purposes of the diversification test in (ii) above, the identification of the issuer (or, in some cases, issuers) of a particular Trust investment can depend on the terms and conditions of that investment. In some cases, identification of the issuer (or issuers) is uncertain under current law, and an adverse determination or future guidance by the IRS with respect to issuer identification for a particular type of investment may adversely affect the Trust’s ability to meet the diversification test in (ii) above.

If the Trust qualifies as a RIC (i.e., satisfies the source of income and diversification requirements described in (i) and (ii) above) and satisfies the annual distribution requirement described in (iii) above, the Trust will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on income or gains distributed in a timely manner to its shareholders in the form of dividends (including Capital Gain Dividends, as defined below).

If, for any taxable year, the Trust were to fail to meet the income, diversification or distribution test described above, the Trust could in some cases cure such failure, including by paying a Trust-level tax, paying interest, making additional distributions or disposing of certain assets. If the Trust were ineligible to or otherwise did not cure any such failure for any year, or if the Trust were otherwise to fail to qualify as a RIC accorded special tax treatment for such year, the Trust would be subject to tax on its taxable income at corporate rates, and all distributions from earnings and profits, including any distributions of net long-term capital gains, would be taxable to shareholders as ordinary income. Some portions of such distributions might be eligible for the dividends-received deduction in the case of corporate shareholders and might be eligible to be treated as “qualified dividend income” and thus taxable at the lower long-term capital gain rate in the case of shareholders taxed at individual rates, provided, in both cases, the shareholder met certain holding period and other requirements in respect of the Trust’s shares (as described below). In addition, the Trust might be required to recognize unrealized gains, pay substantial taxes and interest and make substantial distributions before re-qualifying as a RIC.

The Trust intends to distribute at least annually to its shareholders all or substantially all of its investment company taxable income (computed without regard to the dividends-paid deduction) and its net capital gain (that is, the excess of net long-term capital gain over net short-term capital loss, in each case determined with reference to any loss carryforwards). Any investment company taxable income retained by the Trust will be subject to a Trust-level tax at regular corporate rates. The Trust may also retain for investment its net capital gain. If the Trust retains any net capital gain, it will be subject to Trust-level tax at regular corporate rates on the amount retained, but may designate the retained amount as undistributed capital gains in a timely notice to its shareholders who would then, in turn, be (i) required to include in income for U.S. federal income tax purposes, as long-term capital gain, their shares of such undistributed amount, and (ii) entitled to credit their proportionate shares of the tax paid by the Trust on such undistributed amount against their U.S. federal income tax liabilities, if any, and to claim refunds on a properly-filed U.S. tax return to the extent the credit exceeds such liabilities. If the Trust makes this designation, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the tax basis of shares owned by a shareholder of the Trust would be increased by an amount equal under current law to the difference between the amount of undistributed capital gains included in the shareholder’s gross income under clause (i) of the preceding sentence and the tax deemed paid by the shareholder under clause (ii) of the preceding sentence. The Trust is not required to, and there can be no assurance the Trust will, make this designation if it retains all or a portion of its net capital gain in a taxable year.

In determining its net capital gain, including in connection with determining the amount available to support a Capital Gain Dividend, its taxable income, and its earnings and profits, a RIC generally may elect to treat part or all of any post-October capital loss (defined as any net capital loss attributable to the portion of the taxable year after October 31 or, if there is no such loss, the net long-term capital loss or net short-term capital loss attributable to such portion of the taxable year) or late-year ordinary loss (generally, the sum of its (i) net ordinary loss from the sale, exchange or other taxable disposition of property, attributable to the portion of the taxable year after October 31, and its (ii) other net ordinary loss attributable to the portion, if any, of the taxable year after December 31) as if incurred in the succeeding taxable year.

If the Trust fails to distribute in a calendar year at least an amount equal to the sum of 98% of its ordinary income for such year and 98.2% of its capital gain net income (adjusted for certain ordinary losses) for the one-year period ending on October 31 of such year (unless an election is made to use the Trust’s taxable year), plus any such undistributed amounts from the prior year, the Trust will be subject to a nondeductible 4% excise tax on the undistributed amounts. For purposes of the required excise tax distribution, a RIC’s ordinary gains and losses from the sale, exchange or other taxable disposition of property that would otherwise be taken into account after October 31 of a calendar year generally (unless an election is made to use the Trust’s taxable year) are treated as arising on January 1 of the following calendar year. Also, for these purposes, the Trust will be treated as having distributed any amount on which it has been subject to corporate income tax in the taxable year ending with the calendar year. The Trust reserves the right to pay the excise tax when circumstances warrant.

Capital losses in excess of capital gains (“net capital losses”) are not permitted to be deducted against the Trust’s net investment income. Instead, potentially subject to certain limitations, the Trust may carry net capital losses from any taxable year forward to subsequent taxable years to offset capital gains, if any, realized during such subsequent taxable year. Capital loss carryforwards are

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reduced to the extent they offset current-year net realized capital gains, whether the Trust retains or distributes such gains. If the Trust incurs or has incurred net capital losses in taxable years beginning after December 22, 2010 (“post-2010 losses”), those losses will be carried forward to one or more subsequent taxable years without expiration to offset capital gains realized during such subsequent taxable years; any such carryforward losses will retain their character as short-term or long-term. If the Trust incurred net capital losses in a taxable year beginning on or before December 22, 2010 (“pre-2011 losses”), the Trust is permitted to carry such losses forward for eight taxable years; in the year to which they are carried forward, such losses are treated as short-term capital losses that first offset any short-term capital gains, and then offset any long-term capital gains. The Trust must use any post-2010 losses, which will not expire, before it uses any pre-2011 losses. This increases the likelihood that pre-2011 losses will expire unused at the conclusion of the eight-year carryforward period.

The Trust’s ability to use net capital losses may be limited following the occurrence of certain (i) acquisitive reorganizations and (ii) shifts in the ownership of the Trust by a shareholder owning or treated as owning 5% or more of the shares of the Trust (each, an “ownership change”). The Code may similarly limit the Trust’s ability to use any of its other capital losses, or ordinary losses, that have accrued but have not been recognized (i.e., “built-in” losses) at the time of an ownership change to the extent they are realized within the five-year period following the ownership change.

See the Trust’s most recent annual shareholder report for the Trust’s available capital loss carryovers as of the end of its most recently ended fiscal year.

## **Trust Distributions**

Distributions are taxable to shareholders even if they are paid from income or gains earned by the Trust before a shareholder invested in the Trust (and thus were included in the price the shareholder paid for its shares). Distributions are taxable whether shareholders receive them in cash or reinvest them in additional shares through the Trust’s Dividend Reinvestment Plan. A shareholder whose distributions are reinvested in shares through the Trust’s Dividend Reinvestment Plan will be treated as having received a dividend equal to, generally, the fair market value of new shares issued to the shareholder. See “Dividend Reinvestment Plan” in the Trust’s Prospectus for more information.

Dividends and other distributions paid by the Trust are generally treated under the Code as received by shareholders at the time the dividend or distribution is made. However, a dividend paid to shareholders in January of a year generally is deemed to have been paid by the Trust on December 31 of the preceding year, if the dividend was declared and payable to shareholders of record on a date in October, November or December of that preceding year.

Your broker or other intermediary will send you information after the end of each year setting forth the amount and tax status of any dividends or other distributions paid to you by the Trust.

For U.S. federal income tax purposes, distributions of investment income are generally taxable as ordinary income. Taxes on distributions of capital gains are determined by how long the Trust has owned or is treated as having owned the investments that generated them, rather than how long a shareholder has owned his or her shares. In general, the Trust will recognize long-term capital gain or loss on investments it has owned (or is deemed to have owned) for more than one year, and short-term capital gain or loss on investments it has owned (or is deemed to have owned) for one year or less. Distributions of net capital gain that are properly reported by the Trust as capital gain dividends (“Capital Gain Dividends”) will generally be taxable to shareholders as long-term capital gains. Distributions from capital gains are generally made after applying any available capital loss carryovers. Distributions of net short-term capital gain (that is, the excess of net short-term capital gain over net long-term capital loss for the taxable year, in each case determined with reference to loss carryforwards) will generally be taxable to shareholders receiving such distributions as ordinary income. Distributions of investment income reported by the Trust as derived from “qualified dividend income” will be taxed in the hands of individuals at the rates applicable to long-term capital gain, provided holding period and other requirements are met at both the shareholder and Trust level. The Trust does not expect a significant portion of Trust distributions to be derived from qualified dividend income.

The Trust will designate dividends made to holders of common shares and to holders of preferred shares in accordance with each class’s proportionate share of each item of Trust income (such as net capital gains and other taxable income). A class’s proportionate share of a particular type of income for a year is determined according to the percentage of total dividends paid by the Trust during that year to the class. Although the matter is not free from doubt, due to the absence of direct regulatory or judicial authority, under current law the manner in which the Trust intends to allocate items of ordinary income and net capital gain between the Trust’s common shares and its preferred shares will be respected for federal income tax purposes. It is possible that the IRS could disagree and attempt to reallocate the Trust’s net capital gain or other taxable income.

In order for some portion of the dividends received by a Trust shareholder to be qualified dividend income, the Trust must meet holding period and other requirements with respect to some portion of the dividend-paying stocks in its portfolio and the shareholder

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must meet holding period and other requirements with respect to the Trust's shares. In general, a dividend will not be treated as qualified dividend income (at either the Trust or shareholder level) (1) if the dividend is received with respect to any share of stock held for fewer than 61 days during the 121-day period beginning on the date which is 60 days before the date on which such share becomes ex-dividend with respect to such dividend (or, in the case of certain preferred stock, 91 days during the 181-day period beginning 90 days before such date), (2) to the extent that the recipient is under an obligation (whether pursuant to a short sale or otherwise) to make related payments with respect to positions in substantially similar or related property, (3) if the recipient elects to have the dividend income treated as investment income for purposes of the limitation on deductibility of investment interest, or (4) if the dividend is received from a foreign corporation that is (a) not eligible for the benefits of a comprehensive income tax treaty with the United States (with the exception of dividends paid on stock of such a foreign corporation readily tradable on an established securities market in the United States) or (b) treated as a passive foreign investment company.

In general, distributions of investment income reported by the Trust as derived from qualified dividend income will be treated as qualified dividend income by a shareholder taxed at individual rates, provided the shareholder meets the holding period and other requirements described in the paragraph immediately above with respect to the Trust's shares.

In general, dividends of net investment income received by corporate shareholders of the Trust will qualify for the 50% dividends-received deduction generally available to corporations to the extent of the amount of eligible dividends received by the Trust from domestic corporations for the taxable year. In general, a dividend received by the Trust will not be treated as a qualifying dividend (i) if it has been received with respect to any share of stock that the Trust has held for less than 46 days (91 days in the case of certain preferred stock) during the 91-day period beginning on the date which is 45 days before the date on which such share becomes ex-dividend with respect to such dividend (during the 181-day period beginning 90 days before such date in the case of certain preferred stock) or (ii) to the extent that the Trust is under an obligation (pursuant to a short sale or otherwise) to make related payments with respect to positions in substantially similar or related property. Moreover, the dividends-received deduction may be disallowed or reduced (i) if the corporate shareholder fails to satisfy the foregoing requirements with respect to its shares of the Trust or (ii) by application of various provisions of the Code (for instance, the dividends-received deduction is reduced in the case of a dividend received on debt-financed portfolio stock (generally, stock acquired with borrowed funds)). The Trust does not expect a significant portion of Trust distributions to be eligible for this corporate dividends-received deduction.

Any distribution of income that is attributable to (i) income received by the Trust in lieu of dividends with respect to securities on loan pursuant to a securities lending transaction or (ii) dividend income received by the Trust on securities it temporarily purchased from a counterparty pursuant to a repurchase agreement that is treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a loan by the Trust will not constitute qualified dividend income to individual shareholders and will not be eligible for the dividends-received deduction for corporate shareholders.

The Code generally imposes a 3.8% Medicare contribution tax on the net investment income of certain individuals, trusts and estates to the extent their income exceeds certain threshold amounts. For these purposes, "net investment income" generally includes, among other things, (i) distributions paid by the Trust of net investment income and capital gains as described above, and (ii) any net gain from the sale or exchange of Trust shares. Shareholders are advised to consult their tax advisors regarding the possible implications of this additional tax on their investment in the Trust.

## **Return of Capital Distributions**

If the Trust makes a distribution to a shareholder in excess of the Trust's current and accumulated earnings and profits in any taxable year, the excess distribution will be treated as a return of capital to the extent of such shareholder's tax basis in its shares, and thereafter as capital gain. A return of capital is not taxable, but it reduces a shareholder's tax basis in its shares, thus reducing any loss or increasing any gain on a subsequent taxable disposition by the shareholder of its shares.

Distributions on the Trust's shares are generally subject to U.S. federal income taxes as described herein to the extent they do not exceed the Trust's realized income and gains, even though such dividends and distributions may economically represent a return of a particular shareholder's investment. Such distributions are likely to occur in respect of shares purchased at a time when the Trust's NAV reflects either unrealized gains, or realized but undistributed income or gains, that were therefore included in the price the shareholder paid. Such distributions may reduce the value of the Trust's shares below the shareholder's cost basis in those shares. As described above, the Trust is required to distribute realized income and gains regardless of whether the Trust's NAV also reflects unrealized losses.

## **Tax Implications of Certain Trust Investments**

Some debt obligations with a fixed maturity date of more than one year from the date of issuance that are acquired by the Trust in the secondary market may be treated as having “market discount.” Very generally, market discount is the excess of the stated redemption price of a debt obligation (or in the case of an obligation issued with OID (as defined below), its “revised issue price”)



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over the purchase price of such obligation. Generally, any gain recognized on the disposition of, and any partial payment of principal on, a debt obligation having market discount is treated as ordinary income to the extent the gain, or principal payment, does not exceed the “accrued market discount” on such debt obligation. Alternatively, a holder may elect to accrue market discount currently. As of the date of this SAI, the Trust has made this election, and as such, the Trust is required to include currently any accrued market discount on such debt obligations in the Trust’s taxable income (as ordinary income) and thus distribute it over the terms of the obligations, even though payment of those amounts is not received until a later time, upon partial or full repayment or disposition of the applicable debt obligations. The Trust reserves the right to revoke this election at any time pursuant to applicable IRS procedures. The rate at which market discount accrues, and thus is included in the Trust’s income, will depend upon which of the permitted accrual methods the Trust elects.

In addition, some debt obligations with a fixed maturity date of more than one year from the date of issuance (and zero-coupon debt obligations with a fixed maturity date of more than one year from the date of issuance) will be treated as debt obligations that are issued originally at a discount. Generally, the amount of the original issue discount (“OID”) is treated as interest income and is included in taxable income (and required to be distributed by the Trust) over the term of the debt obligation, even though payment of that amount is not received until a later time, upon partial or full repayment or disposition of the debt obligation. In addition, PIK securities will give rise to income which is required to be distributed and is taxable even though the Trust receives no interest payment in cash on the security during the year in which the income was accrued.

The Trust expects that a substantial portion of the Trust’s investments in loans and other debt obligations will be treated as having market discount and/or OID, which, in some cases, could be significant.

Some debt obligations with a fixed maturity date of one year or less from the date of issuance that are acquired by the Trust may be treated as having OID or, in certain cases, “acquisition discount” (very generally, the excess of the stated redemption price over the purchase price). Generally, the Trust will be required to include the OID or acquisition discount in income (as ordinary income) over the term of the debt obligation and thus distribute it over the term of the debt obligation, even though payment of that amount is not received until a later time, upon partial or full repayment or disposition of the debt obligation. The rate at which OID or acquisition discount accrues, and thus is included in the Trust’s income, will depend upon which of the permitted accrual methods the Trust elects.

Some preferred securities may include provisions that permit the issuer, at its discretion, to defer the payment of distributions for a stated period without any adverse consequences to the issuer. If the Trust owns a preferred security that is deferring the payment of its distributions, the Trust may be required to report income for U.S. federal income tax purposes to the extent of any such deferred distribution even though the Trust has not yet actually received the cash distribution.

As a result of holding the foregoing kinds of debt obligations or other debt obligations subject to special rules under the Code, the Trust may be required to pay out as an income distribution each year an amount which is greater than the total amount of cash interest (or dividends in the case of preferred securities) the Trust actually received. Such distributions may be made from, among other things, the cash assets of the Trust or cash generated from the Trust’s liquidation of portfolio securities. The Trust may realize gains or losses from such liquidations. In the event the Trust realizes net long-term or short-term capital gains from such transactions, its shareholders may receive a larger capital gain or ordinary dividend, respectively, than they would in the absence of such transactions.

Investments in distressed debt obligations that are at risk of or in default present special tax issues for the Trust. Tax rules are not entirely clear about issues such as whether and to what extent the Trust should recognize market discount on these debt obligations, when the Trust may cease to accrue interest, OID or market discount, when and to what extent the Trust may take deductions for bad debts or worthless securities and how the Trust should allocate payments received on obligations in default between principal and income. These and other related issues will be addressed by the Trust when, as and if it invests in such securities, in order to seek to ensure that it distributes sufficient income to preserve its eligibility for treatment as a RIC and does not become subject to U.S. federal income or excise tax.

A portion of the OID accrued on certain high-yield discount obligations owned by the Trust may not be deductible to the issuer and will instead be treated as a dividend paid by the issuer for purposes of the dividends-received deduction. In such cases, if the issuer of the obligation is a domestic corporation, dividend payments by the Trust may be eligible for the dividends-received deduction to the extent of the deemed dividend portion of such OID.

Any transactions by the Trust in foreign currencies, foreign currency-denominated debt obligations and certain foreign currency options, futures contracts and forward contracts (and similar instruments) may give rise to ordinary income or loss to the extent such income or loss results from fluctuations in the value of the foreign currency concerned. Such ordinary income treatment may accelerate

Trust distributions to shareholders and increase the distributions taxed to shareholders as ordinary income. Any net ordinary losses so created cannot be carried forward by the Trust to offset income or gains earned in subsequent years.

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Any equity investments by the Trust in certain “passive foreign investment companies” (“PFICs”) could potentially subject the Trust to a U.S. federal income tax (including interest charges) on distributions received from the PFIC or on proceeds received from the disposition of shares in the PFIC. This tax cannot be eliminated by making distributions to Trust shareholders. However, the Trust may elect to avoid the imposition of that tax. For example, the Trust may elect to treat a PFIC as a “qualified electing fund” (*i.e.*, make a “QEF election”), in which case the Trust will be required to include its share of the PFIC’s income and net capital gains annually, regardless of whether it receives any distribution from the company. The Trust also may make an election to mark the gains (and to a limited extent losses) in such holdings “to the market” as though it had sold and repurchased its holdings in those PFICs on the last day of the Trust’s taxable year. Such gains and losses are treated as ordinary income and loss. The QEF and mark-to-market elections may accelerate the recognition of income (without the receipt of cash) and increase the amount required to be distributed by the Trust to avoid taxation. Making either of these elections therefore may require the Trust to liquidate other investments (including when it is not advantageous to do so) to meet its distribution requirement, which also may accelerate the recognition of gain and affect the Trust’s total return. Dividends paid by PFICs will not be eligible to be treated as qualified dividend income.

Because it is not always possible to identify a foreign corporation as a PFIC, the Trust may incur the tax and interest charges described above in some instances.

Income proceeds and gains received by the Trust from sources within foreign countries may be subject to withholding and other taxes imposed by such countries. Tax treaties between certain countries and the United States may reduce or eliminate such taxes. Shareholders generally will not be entitled to separately claim a credit or deduction with respect to foreign taxes incurred by the Trust. This will decrease the Trust’s yield on securities subject to such taxes.

The Trust’s Derivative Transactions, as well as any of its other hedging, short sale or similar transactions, may be subject to one or more special tax rules (including, for instance, notional principal contract, mark-to-market, constructive sale, straddle, wash sale and short-sale rules). These rules may affect whether gains and losses recognized by the Trust are treated as ordinary or capital and/or as short-term or long-term, accelerate the recognition of income or gains to the Trust, defer losses, and cause adjustments in the holding periods of the Trust’s securities. The rules could therefore affect the amount, timing and/or character of distributions to shareholders.

Because the tax rules applicable to derivative financial instruments are in some cases uncertain under current law, an adverse determination or future guidance by the IRS with respect to these rules (which determination or guidance could be retroactive) may affect whether the Trust has made sufficient distributions, and otherwise satisfied the relevant requirements, to maintain its qualification as a RIC and avoid a Trust-level tax.

Certain of the Trust’s Derivative Transactions and investments in foreign currency-denominated instruments, and any of the Trust’s transactions in foreign currencies and hedging activities, are likely to produce a difference between its book income and the sum of its taxable income and net tax-exempt income (if any). If such a difference arises, and the Trust’s book income is less than the sum of its taxable income and net tax-exempt income (if any), the Trust could be required to make distributions exceeding book income to qualify as a RIC that is accorded special tax treatment and to avoid a Trust-level tax. In the alternative, if the Trust’s book income exceeds the sum of its taxable income and net tax-exempt income (if any), the distribution (if any) of such excess generally will be treated as (i) a dividend to the extent of the Trust’s remaining earnings and profits (including earnings and profits arising from any tax-exempt income), (ii) thereafter, as a return of capital to the extent of the recipient’s basis in its shares, and (iii) thereafter, as gain from the sale or exchange of a capital asset.

The Trust’s investments in equity securities of REITs may result in the Trust’s receipt of cash in excess of the REIT’s earnings; if the Trust distributes these amounts, these distributions could constitute a return of capital to Trust shareholders for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Dividends received by the Trust from a REIT will not qualify for the corporate dividends-received deduction and generally will not constitute qualified dividend income.

Under a notice issued by the IRS in October 2006 and Treasury regulations that have yet to be issued but may apply retroactively, a portion of a Trust’s income (if any) (including income allocated to the Trust from a REIT or other pass-through entity) that is attributable to a residual interest in a real estate mortgage investment conduit (“REMIC”) (including residual interests in collateralized mortgage obligations) or an equity interest in a taxable mortgage pool (“TMP”) (referred to in the Code as an “excess inclusion”) will be subject to U.S. federal income tax in all events. This notice also provides, and the regulations are expected to provide, that excess inclusion income of a RIC will be allocated to shareholders of the RIC in proportion to the dividends received by such shareholders, with the same consequences as if the shareholders held the related interest directly. As a result, to the extent the Trust invests in any such interests, it may not be a suitable investment for certain tax-exempt shareholders (as noted below in “Tax-Exempt Shareholders”).

In general, excess inclusion income allocated to shareholders (i) cannot be offset by net operating losses (subject to a limited exception for certain thrift institutions), (ii) will constitute unrelated business taxable income (“UBTI”) to entities (including a

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qualified pension plan, an individual retirement account, a 401(k) plan, a Keogh plan or other tax-exempt entity) subject to tax on UBTI, thereby potentially requiring such an entity that is allocated excess inclusion income, and otherwise might not be required to file a U.S. federal income tax return, to file such a tax return and pay tax on such income, and (iii) in the case of a non-U.S. shareholder, will not qualify for any reduction in U.S. federal withholding tax. A shareholder will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on such inclusions notwithstanding any exemption from such income tax otherwise available under the Code.

Effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017 and before January 1, 2026, the Code generally allows individuals and certain non-corporate entities a deduction for 20% of qualified REIT dividends. Recently issued proposed regulations allow a RIC such as the Trust to pass the character of its qualified REIT dividends through to its shareholders provided certain holding period requirements are met. As a result, eligible shareholders in the Trust may receive the benefit of the deduction with respect to qualified REIT dividends received by the Trust that are distributed to shareholders.

## **Backup Withholding**

Your broker or other intermediary generally is required to withhold and remit to the U.S. Treasury a percentage of the taxable distributions and redemption proceeds paid to any individual shareholder who fails to properly furnish the broker or other intermediary with a correct taxpayer identification number (“TIN”), who has under-reported dividend or interest income, or who fails to certify to the broker or other intermediary that he or she is not subject to such withholding.

Backup withholding is not an additional tax. Any amounts withheld may be credited against the shareholder’s U.S. federal income tax liability, provided the appropriate information is furnished to the IRS.

## **Sale or Exchange of Trust Shares**

The sale or exchange of Trust shares may give rise to a gain or loss. In general, any gain or loss realized upon a taxable disposition of shares will be treated as long-term capital gain or loss if the shares have been held for more than 12 months. Otherwise, the gain or loss on the taxable disposition of Trust shares will be treated as short-term capital gain or loss. However, any loss realized upon a taxable disposition of shares held for six months or less will be treated as long-term, rather than short-term, to the extent of any Capital Gain Dividends received (or deemed received) by the shareholder with respect to the shares. All or a portion of any loss realized upon a taxable disposition of Trust shares will be disallowed if other substantially identical shares are purchased within 30 days before or after the disposition. In such a case, the basis of the newly purchased shares will be adjusted to reflect the disallowed loss.

Shareholders may be entitled to offset their Capital Gain Dividends with capital loss from other sources. The Code contains a number of statutory provisions affecting the circumstances under which capital loss may be offset against capital gain and limiting the use of loss from certain investments and activities. Accordingly, shareholders that have capital losses are urged to consult their tax advisers.

## **Tax Shelter Reporting Regulations**

Under Treasury regulations, if a shareholder recognizes a loss of \$2 million or more for an individual shareholder or \$10 million or more for a corporate shareholder, the shareholder must file with the IRS a disclosure statement on Form 8886. Direct holders of portfolio securities are in many cases excepted from this reporting requirement, but under current guidance, shareholders of a RIC are not excepted. Future guidance may extend the current exception from this reporting requirement to shareholders of most or all RICs. The fact that a loss is reportable under these regulations does not affect the legal determination of whether the taxpayer’s treatment of the loss is proper. Shareholders should consult their tax advisers to determine the applicability of these regulations in light of their individual circumstances.

## **Non-U.S. Shareholders**

Distributions by the Trust to shareholders that are not “U.S. persons” within the meaning of the Code (“foreign shareholders”) properly reported by the Trust as (1) Capital Gain Dividends, (2) short-term capital gain dividends and (3) interest-related dividends, each as defined and subject to certain conditions described below, generally are not subject to U.S. federal income tax withholding.

In general, the Code defines (1) “short-term capital gain dividends” as distributions of net short-term capital gains in excess of net long-term capital losses and (2) “interest-related dividends” as distributions from U.S. source interest income of types similar to those not subject to U.S. federal income tax if earned directly by an individual foreign shareholder, in each case, to the extent such distributions are properly reported as such by the Trust in a written notice to shareholders.



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The exceptions to withholding for Capital Gain Dividends and short-term capital gain dividends do not apply to (A) distributions to an individual foreign shareholder who is present in the United States for a period or periods aggregating 183 days or more during the year of the distribution and (B) distributions attributable to gain that is treated as effectively connected with the conduct by the foreign shareholder of a trade or business within the United States under special rules regarding the disposition of U.S. real property interests (“USRPIs”) as described below.

The exception to withholding for interest-related dividends does not apply to distributions to a foreign shareholder (A) that has not provided a satisfactory statement that the beneficial owner is not a U.S. person, (B) to the extent that the dividend is attributable to certain interest on an obligation if the foreign shareholder is the issuer or is a 10% shareholder of the issuer, (C) that is within certain foreign countries that have inadequate information exchange with the United States, or (D) to the extent the dividend is attributable to interest paid by a person that is a related person of the foreign shareholder and the foreign shareholder is a controlled foreign corporation.

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The Trust is permitted to report such part of its dividends as short-term capital gain and/or interest-related dividends as are eligible, but is not required to do so. In the case of shares held through an intermediary, the intermediary may withhold even if the Fund reports all or a portion of a payment as an interest-related or short-term capital gain dividend to shareholders.

Foreign shareholders should contact their intermediaries regarding the application of these rules to their accounts.

Distributions by the Trust to foreign shareholders other than Capital Gain Dividends, short-term capital gain dividends and interest-related dividends (e.g., dividends attributable to dividend and foreign-source interest income or to short-term capital gains or U.S. source interest income to which the exception from withholding described above does not apply) are generally subject to withholding of U.S. federal income tax at a rate of 30% (or lower applicable treaty rate).

A foreign shareholder is not, in general, subject to U.S. federal income tax on gains (and is not allowed a deduction for losses) realized on the sale of shares of the Trust unless (i) such gain is effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business carried on by such holder within the United States, (ii) in the case of an individual holder, the holder is present in the United States for a period or periods aggregating 183 days or more during the year of the sale and certain other conditions are met, or (iii) the special rules relating to gain attributable to the sale or exchange of USRPIs apply to the foreign shareholder's sale of shares of the Trust (as described below).

Foreign shareholders with respect to whom income from the Trust is effectively connected with a trade or business conducted by the foreign shareholder within the United States will in general be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the income derived from the Trust at the graduated rates applicable to U.S. citizens, residents or domestic corporations, whether such income is received in cash or reinvested in additional shares of the Trust and, in the case of a foreign corporation, may also be subject to a branch profits tax. If a foreign shareholder is eligible for the benefits of a tax treaty, any effectively connected income or gain will generally be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net basis only if it is also attributable to a permanent establishment maintained by the shareholder in the United States. More generally, foreign shareholders who are residents of a country with an income tax treaty with the United States may obtain different tax results than those described herein, and are urged to consult their tax advisers.

Special rules would apply if the Trust were a qualified investment entity ("QIE") because it is either a "U.S. real property holding corporation" ("USRPHC") or would be a USRPHC but for the operation of certain exceptions to the definition of USRPIs described below. Very generally, a USRPHC is a domestic corporation that holds USRPIs the fair market value of which equals or exceeds 50% of the sum of the fair market values of the corporation's USRPIs, interests in real property located outside the United States, and other trade or business assets. USRPIs generally are defined as any interest in U.S. real property and any interest (other than solely as a creditor) in a USRPHC or, very generally, an entity that has been a USRPHC in the last five years. A RIC that holds, directly or indirectly, significant interests in REITs may be a USRPHC. Interests in domestically controlled QIEs, including REITs and RICs that are QIEs, not-greater-than-10% interests in publicly traded classes of stock in REITs and not-greater-than-5% interests in publicly traded classes of stock in RICs generally are not USRPIs, but these exceptions do not apply for purposes of determining whether a RIC is a QIE.

If an interest in the Trust were a USRPI, a greater-than-5% foreign shareholder generally would be required to file a U.S. tax return in connection with the sale of its Trust shares, and pay related taxes due on any gain realized on the sale.

If the Trust were a QIE, under a special "look-through" rule, any distributions by the Trust to a foreign shareholder attributable directly or indirectly to (i) distributions received by the Trust from a lower-tier RIC or REIT that the Trust is required to treat as USRPI gain in its hands and (ii) gains realized on the disposition of USRPIs by the Trust would retain their character as gains realized from USRPIs in the hands of the Trust's foreign shareholders and would be subject to U.S. tax withholding. In addition, such distributions could result in the foreign shareholder being required to file a U.S. tax return and pay tax on the distributions at regular U.S. federal income tax rates. The consequences to a foreign shareholder, including the rate of such withholding and character of such distributions (e.g., as ordinary income or USRPI gain), would vary depending upon the extent of the foreign shareholder's current and past ownership of the Trust.

Foreign shareholders of the Trust also may be subject to "wash sale" rules to prevent the avoidance of the tax-filing and - payment obligations discussed above through the sale and repurchase of Trust shares.

The Trust generally does not expect that it will be a QIE.

Foreign shareholders should consult their tax advisers and, if holding shares through intermediaries, their intermediaries, concerning the application of these rules to their investment in the Trust.



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In order to have qualified for any exemption from withholding described above (to the extent applicable) or for lower withholding tax rates under income tax treaties, or to establish an exemption from backup withholding, a foreign shareholder must have complied with applicable certification and filing requirements relating to its non-U.S. status (including, in general, furnishing an IRS Form W-8BEN, W-8BEN-E or substitute form). Foreign shareholders should contact their tax advisers in this regard.

Special rules (including withholding and reporting requirements) apply to foreign partnerships and those holding Trust shares through foreign partnerships. Additional considerations may apply to foreign trusts and estates. Investors holding Trust shares through foreign entities should consult their tax advisers.

A foreign shareholder may be subject to state and local tax and to the U.S. federal estate tax in addition to the U.S. federal tax on income referred to above.

### **Tax-Exempt Shareholders**

Income of the Trust that would be UBTI if earned directly by a tax-exempt entity generally will not constitute UBTI when distributed to tax-exempt shareholders of the Trust. Notwithstanding this “blocking” effect, a tax-exempt shareholder could realize UBTI by virtue of its investment in the Trust if shares in the Trust constitute debt-financed property in the hands of the tax-exempt shareholder within the meaning of Section 514(b) of the Code.

A tax-exempt shareholder may also recognize UBTI if the Trust recognizes excess inclusion income derived from direct or indirect investments in residual interests in REMICS or equity interests in TMPs if the amount of such income recognized by the Trust exceeds the Trust’s investment company taxable income (after taking into account deductions for dividends paid by the Trust).

In addition, special tax consequences apply to charitable remainder trusts (“CRTs”) that invest in RICs that invest directly or indirectly in residual interests in REMICS or equity interests in TMPs. Under legislation enacted in December 2006, a CRT (as defined in Section 664 of the Code) that realizes any UBTI for a taxable year must pay an excise tax annually of an amount equal to such UBTI. Under IRS guidance issued in October 2006, a CRT will not recognize UBTI as a result of investing in a RIC that recognizes excess inclusion income. Rather, if at any time during any taxable year a CRT (or one of certain other tax-exempt shareholders, such as the United States, a state or political subdivision, or an agency or instrumentality thereof, and certain energy cooperatives) is a record holder of a share in a RIC that recognizes excess inclusion income, then the RIC will be subject to a tax on that portion of its excess inclusion income for the taxable year that is allocable to such shareholders at the highest federal corporate income tax rate. The extent to which this IRS guidance remains applicable in light of the December 2006 legislation is unclear. To the extent permitted under the Investment Company Act, the Trust may elect to specially allocate any such tax to the applicable CRT, or other shareholder, and thus reduce such shareholder’s distributions for the year by the amount of the tax that relates to such shareholder’s interest in the Trust.

CRTs and other tax-exempt investors are urged to consult their tax advisers concerning the consequences of investing in the Trust.

### **Shareholder Reporting Obligations With Respect to Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts**

Shareholders that are U.S. persons and own, directly or indirectly, more than 50% of the Trust could be required to report annually their “financial interest” in the Trust’s “foreign financial accounts,” if any, on FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR). Shareholders should consult their tax advisers, and persons investing in the Trust through an intermediary should contact their intermediary to determine the applicability to them of this reporting requirement.

### **Other Reporting and Withholding Requirements**

Sections 1471-1474 of the Code and the U.S. Treasury and IRS guidance issued thereunder (collectively, “FATCA”) generally require the Trust to obtain information sufficient to identify the status of each of its shareholders under FATCA or under an applicable intergovernmental agreement (an “IGA”). If a shareholder fails to provide this information or otherwise fails to comply with FATCA or an IGA, the Trust may be required to withhold under FATCA at a rate of 30% with respect to that shareholder on ordinary dividends it pays. Recently issued proposed regulations would eliminate the 30% withholding tax with respect to the gross proceeds from the sale or exchange of shares and certain Capital Gain Dividends that was scheduled to go in to effect after December 31, 2018. If a payment by the Trust is subject to FATCA withholding, the Trust is required to withhold even if such payment would otherwise be exempt from withholding under the rules applicable to foreign shareholders described above (e.g., Capital Gain Dividends, short-term capital gain dividends and interest-related dividends).



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Each prospective investor is urged to consult its tax adviser regarding the applicability of FATCA and any other reporting requirements with respect to the prospective investor's own situation, including investments through an intermediary.

[Table of Contents](#)**Shares Purchased Through Tax Qualified Plans**

Special tax rules apply to investments through defined contribution plans and other tax-qualified plans. Shareholders should consult their tax advisers to determine the suitability of shares of the Trust as an investment through such plans and the precise effect of an investment on their particular tax situation.

**General Considerations**

The U.S. federal income tax discussion set forth above is for general information only. Prospective investors should consult their tax advisers regarding the specific federal tax consequences of purchasing, holding, and disposing of shares of the Trust, as well as the effects of state, local and foreign tax law and any proposed tax law changes.

**INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP provides accounting and auditing services to the Trust.

**CUSTODIAN**

The custodian of the assets of the Trust and its wholly-owned subsidiaries is Bank of New York Mellon (240 Greenwich Street, New York, New York 10286). The custodian performs custodial services for the Trust.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

A registration statement on Form N-2, including amendments thereto, relating to the shares offered hereby (the "Registration Statement"), has been filed by the Trust with the SEC. The Prospectus and this SAI do not contain all of the information set forth in the Registration Statement, including any exhibits and schedules thereto. For further information with respect to the Trust and the securities offered hereby, reference is made to the Registration Statement. Statements contained in the Prospectus and this SAI as to the contents of any contract or other document referred to are not necessarily complete and in each instance reference is made to the copy of such contract or other document filed as an exhibit to the Registration Statement, each such statement being qualified in all respects by such reference. A copy of the Registration Statement may be inspected without charge at the SEC's principal office in Washington, D.C., and copies of all or any part thereof may be obtained from the SEC upon the payment of certain fees prescribed by the SEC.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The Trust's audited financial statements appearing in the Trust's annual shareholder report for the period ended December 31, 2018 are incorporated by reference in this SAI and have been so incorporated in reliance upon the report of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, independent registered public accounting firm for the Trust. The Trust's annual and semiannual shareholder reports are available upon request and without charge by writing to the Trust at 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201 or by calling 1-866-351-4440 and viewed on the Trust's website at [www.nexpointadvisors.com](http://www.nexpointadvisors.com).

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*Standard & Poor's*—A brief description of the applicable rating symbols of Standard & Poor's and their meanings (as published by Standard & Poor's) follows:

**Issue Credit Rating Definitions**

A Standard & Poor's issue credit rating is a forward-looking opinion about the creditworthiness of an obligor with respect to a specific financial obligation, a specific class of financial obligations, or a specific financial program (including ratings on medium-term note programs and commercial paper programs). It takes into consideration the creditworthiness of guarantors, insurers, or other forms of credit enhancement on the obligation and takes into account the currency in which the obligation is denominated. The opinion reflects Standard & Poor's view of the obligor's capacity and willingness to meet its financial commitments as they come due, and may assess terms, such as collateral security and subordination, which could affect ultimate payment in the event of default.

Issue credit ratings can be either long-term or short-term. Short-term ratings are generally assigned to those obligations considered short-term in the relevant market. In the U.S., for example, that means obligations with an original maturity of no more than 365 days—including commercial paper. Short-term ratings are also used to indicate the creditworthiness of an obligor with respect to put features on long-term obligations. Medium-term notes are assigned long-term ratings.

**Long-Term Issue Credit Ratings**

Issue credit ratings are based, in varying degrees, on Standard & Poor's analysis of the following considerations:

- i) Likelihood of payment—capacity and willingness of the obligor to meet its financial commitment on an obligation in accordance with the terms of the obligation;
- ii) Nature of and provisions of the obligation, and the promise we impute;
- iii) Protection afforded by, and relative position of, the obligation in the event of bankruptcy, reorganization, or other arrangement under the laws of bankruptcy and other laws affecting creditors' rights.

Issue ratings are an assessment of default risk, but may incorporate an assessment of relative seniority or ultimate recovery in the event of default. Junior obligations are typically rated lower than senior obligations, to reflect the lower priority in bankruptcy, as noted above. (Such differentiation may apply when an entity has both senior and subordinated obligations, secured and unsecured obligations, or operating company and holding company obligations.)

**AAA**

An obligation rated 'AAA' has the highest rating assigned by Standard & Poor's. The obligor's capacity to meet its financial commitment on the obligation is extremely strong.

**AA**

An obligation rated 'AA' differs from the highest-rated obligations only to a small degree. The obligor's capacity to meet its financial commitment on the obligation is very strong.

**A**

An obligation rated 'A' is somewhat more susceptible to the adverse effects of changes in circumstances and economic conditions than obligations in higher-rated categories. However, the obligor's capacity to meet its financial commitment on the obligation is still strong.

**BBB**

An obligation rated 'BBB' exhibits adequate protection parameters. However, adverse economic conditions or changing circumstances are more likely to lead to a weakened capacity of the obligor to meet its financial commitment on the obligation.

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### **BB, B, CCC, CC, and C**

Obligations rated 'BB', 'B', 'CCC', 'CC', and 'C' are regarded as having significant speculative characteristics. 'BB' indicates the least degree of speculation and 'C' the highest. While such obligations will likely have some quality and protective characteristics, these may be outweighed by large uncertainties or major exposures to adverse conditions.

### **BB**

An obligation rated 'BB' is less vulnerable to nonpayment than other speculative issues. However, it faces major ongoing uncertainties or exposure to adverse business, financial, or economic conditions which could lead to the obligor's inadequate capacity to meet its financial commitment on the obligation.

### **B**

An obligation rated 'B' is more vulnerable to nonpayment than obligations rated 'BB', but the obligor currently has the capacity to meet its financial commitment on the obligation. Adverse business, financial, or economic conditions will likely impair the obligor's capacity or willingness to meet its financial commitment on the obligation.

### **CCC**

An obligation rated 'CCC' is currently vulnerable to nonpayment, and is dependent upon favorable business, financial, and economic conditions for the obligor to meet its financial commitment on the obligation. In the event of adverse business, financial, or economic conditions, the obligor is not likely to have the capacity to meet its financial commitment on the obligation.

### **CC**

An obligation rated 'CC' is currently highly vulnerable to nonpayment. The 'CC' rating is used when a default has not yet occurred, but Standard & Poor's expects default to be a virtual certainty, regardless of the anticipated time to default.

### **C**

An obligation rated 'C' is currently highly vulnerable to nonpayment, and the obligation is expected to have lower relative seniority or lower ultimate recovery compared to obligations that are rated higher.

### **D**

An obligation rated 'D' is in default or in breach of an imputed promise. For non-hybrid capital instruments, the 'D' rating category is used when payments on an obligation are not made on the date due, unless Standard & Poor's believes that such payments will be made within five business days in the absence of a stated grace period or within the earlier of the stated grace period or 30 calendar days. The 'D' rating also will be used upon the filing of a bankruptcy petition or the taking of similar action and where default on an obligation is a virtual certainty, for example due to automatic stay provisions. An obligation's rating is lowered to 'D' if it is subject to a distressed exchange offer.

### **Plus (+) or minus (—)**

The ratings from 'AA' to 'CCC' may be modified by the addition of a plus (+) or minus (—) sign to show relative standing within the major rating categories.

### **NR**

This indicates that no rating has been requested, that there is insufficient information on which to base a rating, or that Standard & Poor's does not rate a particular obligation as a matter of policy.

[Table of Contents](#)**Short-Term Issue Credit Ratings****A-1**

A short-term obligation rated 'A-1' is rated in the highest category by Standard & Poor's. The obligor's capacity to meet its financial commitment on the obligation is strong. Within this category, certain obligations are designated with a plus sign (+). This indicates that the obligor's capacity to meet its financial commitment on these obligations is extremely strong.

**A-2**

A short-term obligation rated 'A-2' is somewhat more susceptible to the adverse effects of changes in circumstances and economic conditions than obligations in higher rating categories. However, the obligor's capacity to meet its financial commitment on the obligation is satisfactory.

**A-3**

A short-term obligation rated 'A-3' exhibits adequate protection parameters. However, adverse economic conditions or changing circumstances are more likely to lead to a weakened capacity of the obligor to meet its financial commitment on the obligation.

**B**

A short-term obligation rated 'B' is regarded as vulnerable and has significant speculative characteristics. The obligor currently has the capacity to meet its financial commitments; however, it faces major ongoing uncertainties which could lead to the obligor's inadequate capacity to meet its financial commitments.

**C**

A short-term obligation rated 'C' is currently vulnerable to nonpayment and is dependent upon favorable business, financial, and economic conditions for the obligor to meet its financial commitment on the obligation.

**D**

A short-term obligation rated 'D' is in default or in breach of an imputed promise. For non-hybrid capital instruments, the 'D' rating category is used when payments on an obligation are not made on the date due, unless Standard & Poor's believes that such payments will be made within any stated grace period. However, any stated grace period longer than five business days will be treated as five business days. The 'D' rating also will be used upon the filing of a bankruptcy petition or the taking of a similar action and where default on an obligation is a virtual certainty, for example due to automatic stay provisions. An obligation's rating is lowered to 'D' if it is subject to a distressed exchange offer.

**SPUR (Standard & Poor's Underlying Rating)**

A SPUR rating is an opinion about the stand-alone capacity of an obligor to pay debt service on a credit-enhanced debt issue, without giving effect to the enhancement that applies to it. These ratings are published only at the request of the debt issuer/obligor with the designation SPUR to distinguish them from the credit-enhanced rating that applies to the debt issue. Standard & Poor's maintains surveillance of an issue with a published SPUR.

**Municipal Short-Term Note Ratings Definitions**

A Standard & Poor's U.S. municipal note rating reflects Standard & Poor's opinion about the liquidity factors and market access risks unique to the notes. Notes due in three years or less will likely receive a note rating. Notes with an original maturity of more than three years will most likely receive a long-term debt rating. In determining which type of rating, if any, to assign, Standard & Poor's analysis will review the following considerations:

- a. Amortization schedule — the larger the final maturity relative to other maturities, the more likely it will be treated as a note; and

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- b. Source of payment — the more dependent the issue is on the market for its refinancing, the more likely it will be treated as a note. Note rating symbols are as follows:

### **SP-1**

Strong capacity to pay principal and interest. An issue determined to possess a very strong capacity to pay debt service is given a plus (+) designation.

### **SP-2**

Satisfactory capacity to pay principal and interest, with some vulnerability to adverse financial and economic changes over the term of the notes.

### **SP-3**

Speculative capacity to pay principal and interest.

## **Dual Ratings**

Dual Ratings may be assigned to debt issues that have a put option or demand feature. The first component of the rating addresses the likelihood of repayment of principal and interest as due, and the second component of the rating addresses only the demand feature. The first component of the rating can relate to either a short-term or long-term transaction and accordingly use either short-term or long-term rating symbols. The second component of the rating relates to the put option and is assigned a short-term rating symbol (for example, 'AAA/A-1+' or 'A-1+/A-1'). With U.S. municipal short-term demand debt, the U.S. municipal short-term note rating symbols are used for the first component of the rating (for example, 'SP-1+/A-1+').

The analyses, including ratings, of Standard & Poor's and its affiliates (together, Standard and Poor's) are statements of opinion as of the date they are expressed and not statements of fact or recommendations to purchase, hold, or sell any securities or make any investment decisions. Standard & Poor's assumes no obligation to update any information following publication. Users of ratings or other analyses should not rely on them in making any investment decision. Standard & Poor's opinions and analyses do not address the suitability of any security. Standard & Poor's does not act as a fiduciary or an investment advisor except where registered as such. While Standard & Poor's has obtained information from sources it believes to be reliable, Standard & Poor's does not perform an audit and undertakes no duty of due diligence or independent verification of any information it receives. Ratings and other opinions may be changed, suspended, or withdrawn at any time.

## **Active Qualifiers (Currently applied and/or outstanding)**

Standard & Poor's uses six qualifiers that limit the scope of a rating. The structure of the transaction can require the use of a qualifier such as a 'p' qualifier, which indicates the rating addressed the principal portion of the obligation only. Likewise, the qualifier can indicate a limitation on the type of information used, such as "pi" for public information. A qualifier appears as a suffix and is part of the rating.

### **Federal deposit insurance limit: 'L' qualifier**

Ratings qualified with 'L' apply only to amounts invested up to federal deposit insurance limits.

### **Principal: 'p' qualifier**

This suffix is used for issues in which the credit factors, the terms, or both, that determine the likelihood of receipt of payment of principal are different from the credit factors, terms or both that determine the likelihood of receipt of interest on the obligation. The 'p' suffix indicates that the rating addresses the principal portion of the obligation only and that the interest is not rated.

### **Public Information Ratings: 'pi' qualifier**

Ratings with a 'pi' suffix are based on an analysis of an issuer's published financial information, as well as additional information in the public domain. They do not, however, reflect in-depth meetings with an issuer's management and therefore may be based on less



comprehensive information than ratings without a 'pi' suffix. Ratings with a 'pi' suffix are reviewed annually based on a new year's financial statements, but may be reviewed on an interim basis if a major event occurs that may affect the issuer's credit quality.

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### **Preliminary Ratings: ‘prelim’ qualifier**

Preliminary ratings, with the ‘prelim’ suffix, may be assigned to obligors or obligations, including financial programs, in the circumstances described below. Assignment of a final rating is conditional on the receipt by Standard & Poor’s of appropriate documentation. Standard & Poor’s reserves the right not to issue a final rating. Moreover, if a final rating is issued, it may differ from the preliminary rating.

- Preliminary ratings may be assigned to obligations, most commonly structured and project finance issues, pending receipt of final documentation of legal opinions.
- Preliminary ratings are assigned to Rule 415 Shelf Registrations. As specific issues, with defined terms, are offered from the master registration, a final rating may be assigned to them in accordance with Standard & Poor’s policies.
- Preliminary ratings may be assigned to obligations that will likely be issued upon the obligor’s emergence from bankruptcy or similar reorganization, based on late-stage reorganization plans, documentation and discussions with the obligor. Preliminary ratings may also be assigned to the obligors. These ratings consider the anticipated general credit quality of the reorganized or post-bankruptcy issuer as well as attributes of the anticipated obligation(s).
- Preliminary ratings may be assigned to entities that are being formed or that are in the process of being independently established when, in Standard & Poor’s opinion, documentation is close to final. Preliminary ratings may also be assigned to the obligations of these entities.
- Preliminary ratings may be assigned when a previously unrated entity is undergoing a well-formulated restructuring, recapitalization, significant financing or other transformative event, generally at the point that investor or lender commitments are invited. The preliminary rating may be assigned to the entity and to its proposed obligation(s). These preliminary ratings consider the anticipated general credit quality of the obligor, as well as attributes of the anticipated obligation(s), assuming successful completion of the transformative event. Should the transformative event not occur, Standard & Poor’s would likely withdraw these preliminary ratings.
- A preliminary recovery rating may be assigned to an obligation that has a preliminary issue credit rating.

### **Termination Structures: ‘t’ qualifier**

This symbol indicates termination structures that are designed to honor their contracts to full maturity or, should certain events occur, to terminate and cash settle all their contracts before their final maturity date.

### **Inactive Qualifiers (No longer applied or outstanding)**

#### **Contingent upon final documentation: ‘\*\*’ in active qualifier**

This symbol that indicated that the ratings was contingent upon Standard & Poor’s receipt of an executed copy of the escrow agreement or closing documentation confirming investments and cash flows. Discontinued use in August 1998.

#### **Termination of obligation to tender: ‘c’ inactive qualifier**

This qualifier was used to provide additional information to investors that the bank may terminate its obligation to purchase tendered bonds if the long-term credit rating of the issuer was lowered to below an investment-grade level and/or the issuer’s bonds are deemed taxable. Discontinued use in January 2001.

#### **U.S. direct government securities: ‘G’ inactive qualifier**

The letter ‘G’ followed the rating symbol when a fund’s portfolio consisted primarily of direct U.S. government securities.

### **Provisional Ratings: ‘pr’ inactive qualifier**

The letters ‘pr’ indicate that the rating was provisional. A provisional rating assumed the successful completion of a project financed by the debt being rated and indicates that the payment of debt service requirements was largely or entirely dependent upon the successful, timely completion of the project. This rating, however, while addressing credit quality subsequent to completion of the project, made no comment on the likelihood of or the risk of default upon failure of such completion.



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### **Quantitative Analysis of public information: ‘q’ inactive qualifier**

A ‘q’ subscript indicates that the rating is based solely on quantitative analysis of publicly available information. Discontinued use in April 2001.

### **Extraordinary risks: ‘r’ inactive qualifier**

The ‘r’ modifier was assigned to securities containing extraordinary risks, particularly market risks, which are not covered in the credit rating. The absence of an ‘r’ modifier should not be taken as an indication that an obligation will not exhibit extraordinary non-credit related risks. Standard & Poor’s discontinued the use of the ‘r’ modifier for most obligations in June 2000 and for the balance of obligations (mainly structured finance transactions) in November 2002.

*Moody’s Investors Service, Inc.*—A brief description of the applicable Moody’s Investors Service, Inc. (“Moody’s”) rating symbols and their meanings (as published by Moody’s) follows:

### **Long-Term Obligation Ratings**

Moody’s long-term obligation ratings are opinions of the relative credit risk of a fixed income obligations with an original maturity of one year or more. They address the possibility that a financial obligation will not be honored as promised. Such ratings reflect both the likelihood of default and any financial loss suffered in the event of default.

### **Moody’s Global Long-Term Rating Scale Definitions:**

#### **Aaa**

Obligations rated Aaa are judged to be of the highest quality, subject to the lowest level of credit risk.

#### **Aa**

Obligations rated Aa are judged to be of high quality and are subject to very low credit risk.

#### **A**

Obligations rated A are judged to be upper medium-grade and are subject to low credit risk.

#### **Baa**

Obligations rated Baa are judged to be medium-grade and subject to moderate credit risk and as such may possess certain speculative characteristics.

#### **Ba**

Obligations rated Ba are judged to be speculative elements and are subject to substantial credit risk.

#### **B**

Obligations rated B are considered speculative and are subject to high credit risk.

#### **Caa**

Obligations rated Caa are judged to be speculative of poor standing and are subject to very high credit risk.

#### **Ca**

Obligations rated Ca are highly speculative and are likely in, or very near, default, with some prospect of recovery of principal and interest.

C

Obligations rated C are the lowest rated and are typically in default, with little prospect for recovery of principal or interest.

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**Note:** Moody's appends numerical modifiers 1, 2, and 3 to each generic rating classification from Aa through Caa. The modifier 1 indicates that the obligation ranks in the higher end of its generic rating category; the modifier 2 indicates a mid-range ranking; and the modifier 3 indicates a ranking in the lower end of that generic rating category. Additionally, a "(hyb)" indicator is appended to all ratings of hybrid securities issued by banks, insurers, finance companies, and securities firms.

\* By their terms, hybrid securities allow for the omission of scheduled dividends, interest, or principal payments, which can potentially result in impairment if such an omission occurs. Hybrid securities may also be subject to contractually allowable write-downs of principal that could result in impairment. Together with the hybrid indicator, the long-term obligation rating assigned to a hybrid security is an expression of the relative credit risk associated with that security.

## **Medium-Term Note Ratings**

Moody's assigns provisional ratings to medium-term note (MTN) programs and definitive ratings to the individual debt securities issued from them (referred to as drawdowns or notes).

MTN program ratings are intended to reflect the ratings likely to be assigned to drawdowns issued from the program with the specified priority of claim (e.g. senior or subordinated). To capture the contingent nature of a program rating, Moody's assigns provisional ratings to MTN programs. A provisional rating is denoted by a (P) in front of the rating and is defined elsewhere in this document.

The rating assigned to a drawdown from a rated MTN or bank/deposit note program is definitive in nature, and may differ from the program rating if the drawdown is exposed to additional credit risks besides the issuer's default, such as links to the defaults of other issuers, or has other structural features that warrant a different rating. In some circumstances, no rating may be assigned to a drawdown.

Moody's encourages market participants to contact Moody's Ratings Desks or visit [www.moodys.com](http://www.moodys.com) directly if they have questions regarding ratings for specific notes issued under a medium-term note program. Unrated notes issued under an MTN program may be assigned an NR (not rated) symbol.

## **Global Short-Term Rating Scale:**

Moody's short-term ratings are opinions of the ability of issuers to honor short-term financial obligations. Ratings may be assigned to issuers, short-term programs or to individual short-term debt instruments. Such obligations generally have an original maturity not exceeding thirteen months, unless explicitly noted.

Moody's employs the following designations to indicate the relative repayment ability of rated issuers:

### ***P-1***

Issuers (or supporting institutions) rated Prime-1 have a superior ability to repay short-term debt obligations.

### ***P-2***

Issuers (or supporting institutions) rated Prime-2 have a strong ability to repay short-term debt obligations.

### ***P-3***

Issuers (or supporting institutions) rated Prime-3 have an acceptable ability to repay short-term obligations.

### ***NP***

Issuers (or supporting institutions) rated Not Prime do not fall within any of the Prime rating categories.

[Table of Contents](#)**APPENDIX B****POLICY REGARDING PROXY VOTING****Purpose and Scope**

The purpose of these voting policies and procedures (the “Policy”) is to set forth the principles and procedures by which NexPoint Advisors, L.P. (the “Company”) votes or gives consents with respect to the securities owned by Clients for which the Company exercises voting authority and discretion.<sup>1</sup> For avoidance of doubt, this includes any proxy and any shareholder vote or consent, including a vote or consent for a private company or other issuer that does not involve a proxy. These policies and procedures have been designed to help ensure that votes are cast in the best interests of Clients in accordance with the Company’s fiduciary duties and Rule 206(4)-6 under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (the “Advisers Act”).

This Policy applies to securities held in all Client accounts (including Retail Funds and other pooled investment vehicles) as to which the Company has explicit or implicit voting authority. Implicit voting authority exists where the Company’s voting authority is implied by a general delegation of investment authority without reservation of proxy voting authority to the Client.

If the Company has delegated voting authority to an investment sub-adviser with respect to any Retail Fund, such sub-adviser will be responsible for voting all proxies for such Retail Funds in accordance with the sub-adviser’s proxy voting policies. The Compliance Department, to provide oversight over the proxy voting by sub-advisers and to ensure that votes are executed in the best interests of the Retail Funds, shall (i) review the proxy voting policies and procedures of each Retail Fund sub-adviser to confirm that they comply with Rule 206(4)-6, both upon engagement of the sub-adviser and upon any material change to the sub-adviser’s proxy voting policies and procedures, and (ii) require each such sub-adviser to provide quarterly certifications that all proxies were voted pursuant to the sub-adviser’s policies and procedures or to describe any inconsistent votes.

**General Principles**

The Company and its affiliates engage in a broad range of activities, including investment activities for their own accounts and for the accounts of various Clients and providing investment advisory and other services to Clients. In the ordinary course of conducting the Company’s activities, the interests of a Client may conflict with the interests of the Company, other Clients and/or the Company’s affiliates and their clients. Any conflicts of interest relating to the voting of proxies, regardless of whether actual or perceived, will be addressed in accordance with these policies and procedures. The guiding principle by which the Company votes all proxies is to vote in the best interests of each Client by maximizing the economic value of the relevant Client’s holdings, taking into account the relevant Client’s investment horizon, the contractual obligations under the relevant advisory agreements or comparable documents and all other relevant facts and circumstances at the time of the vote. The Company does not permit voting decisions to be influenced in any manner that is contrary to, or dilutive of, this guiding principle.

**Voting Procedures***Third-Party Proxy Advisors*

The Company may engage a third-party proxy advisor (“Proxy Advisor”) to provide proxy voting recommendations with respect to Client proxies. Proxy Advisor voting recommendation guidelines are generally designed to increase investors’ potential financial gain. When considering whether to retain or continue retaining any particular Proxy Advisor, the Compliance Department will ascertain, among other things, whether the Proxy Advisor has the capacity and competency to adequately analyze proxy issues. In this regard, the Compliance Department will consider, among other things: the adequacy and quality of the Proxy Advisor’s staffing and

<sup>1</sup> In any case where a Client has instructed the Company to vote in a particular manner on the Client’s behalf, those instructions will govern in lieu of parameters set forth in the Policy. personnel; the robustness of its policies and procedures regarding its ability to (a) ensure that its proxy voting recommendations are based on current and accurate information and (b) identify and address any conflicts of interest and any other considerations that the Compliance Department determines would be appropriate in considering the nature and quality of the services provided by the Proxy Advisor. To identify and address any conflicts that may arise on the part of the Proxy Advisor, the Compliance Department will ensure that the Proxy Advisor notifies the Compliance Department of any relevant business changes or changes to its policies and procedures regarding conflicts.

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The Company may utilize a third-party proxy voting service (“Proxy Voting Service”) to monitor holdings in Client accounts for purposes of determining whether there are upcoming shareholder meetings or similar corporate actions and to execute Client proxies on behalf of the Company pursuant to the Company’s instructions, which shall be given in a manner consistent with this Policy. The Compliance Department will oversee each Proxy Voting Service to ensure that proxies have been voted in a manner consistent with the Company’s instructions.

*Monitoring*

Subject to the procedures regarding Nonstandard Proxy Notices described below, the Compliance Department of the Company shall have responsibility for monitoring Client accounts for proxy notices. Except as detailed below, if proxy notices are received by other employees of the Company, such employees must promptly forward all proxy or other voting materials to the Compliance Department.

*Portfolio Manager Review and Instruction*

From time to time, the settlement group of the Company may receive nonstandard proxy notices, regarding matters including, but not limited to, proposals regarding corporate actions or amendments (“Nonstandard Proxy Notices”) with respect to securities held by Clients. Upon receipt of a Nonstandard Proxy Notice, a member of the settlement group (the “Settlement Designee”) shall send an email notification containing all relevant information to the Portfolio Manager(s) with responsibility for the security and [ .com]. Generally, the relevant Portfolio Manager(s) shall deliver voting instructions for Nonstandard Proxy Notices by replying to the email notice sent to the Portfolio Manager(s) and [ .com] by the Settlement Designee or by sending voting instructions to [ .com] and copying [ .com]. Any conflicts for Nonstandard Proxy Notices should also be disclosed to the Compliance Department. In the event a Portfolio Manager orally conveys voting instructions to the Settlement Designee or any other member of the Company’s settlement group, that Settlement Designee or member of the Company’s settlement group shall respond to the original notice email sent to [ .com] detailing the Portfolio Manager(s) voting instructions.

With regard to standard proxy notices, on a weekly basis, the Compliance Department will send a notice of upcoming proxy votes related to securities held by Clients and the corresponding voting recommendations of the Proxy Advisor to the relevant Portfolio Manager(s). Upon receipt of a proxy notice from the Compliance Department, the Portfolio Manager(s) will review and evaluate the upcoming votes and recommendations. The Portfolio Managers may rely on any information and/or research available to him or her and may, in his or her discretion, meet with members of an issuer’s management to discuss matters of importance to the relevant Clients and their economic interests. Should the Portfolio Manager determine that deviating from the Proxy Advisor’s recommendation is in a Client’s best interest, the Portfolio Manager shall communicate his or her voting instructions to the Compliance Department.

In the event that more than one Portfolio Manager is responsible for making a particular voting decision and such Portfolio Managers are unable to arrive at an agreement as to how to vote with respect to a particular proposal, they should consult with the applicable Chief Compliance Officer (the “CCO”) for guidance.

*Voting*

Upon receipt of the relevant Portfolio Managers’ voting instructions, if any, the Compliance Department will communicate the instructions to the Proxy Voting Service to execute the proxy votes.

*Non-Votes*

It is the general policy of the Company to vote or give consent on all matters presented to security holders in any vote, and these policies and procedures have been designated with that in mind. However, the Company reserves the right to abstain on any particular vote if, in the judgment of the CCO, or the relevant Portfolio Manager, the effect on the relevant Client’s economic interests or the value of the portfolio holding is insignificant in relation to the Client’s portfolio, if the costs associated with voting in any particular instance outweigh the benefits to the relevant Clients or if the circumstances make such an abstention or withholding otherwise advisable and in the best interests of the relevant Clients not to vote. Such determination may apply in respect of all Client holdings of the securities or only certain specified Clients, as the Company deems appropriate under the circumstances. As examples, a Portfolio Manager may determine: (a) not to recall securities on loan if, in his or her judgment, the matters being voted upon are not material events affecting the securities and the negative consequences to Clients of disrupting the securities lending program would outweigh

the benefits of voting in the particular instance or (b) not to vote proxies relating to certain foreign securities if, in his or her judgment, the expense and administrative inconvenience outweighs the benefits to Clients of voting the securities.

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### *Conflicts of Interest*

The Company's Compliance Department is responsible for monitoring voting decisions for any conflicts of interest, regardless of whether they are actual or perceived. All voting decisions contrary to the recommendation of a Proxy Advisor require a mandatory conflicts of interest review by the Compliance Department, which will include a consideration of whether the Company or any Portfolio Manager or other person recommending or providing input on how to vote has an interest in the vote that may present a conflict of interest.

In addition, all Company investment professionals are expected to perform their tasks relating to the voting of proxies in accordance with the principles set forth above, according the first priority to the best interest of the relevant Clients. If at any time a Portfolio Manager or any other investment professional becomes aware of a potential or actual conflict of interest regarding any particular voting decision, he or she must contact the Compliance Department promptly and, if in connection with a proxy that has yet to be voted, prior to such vote. If any investment professional is pressured or lobbied, whether from inside or outside the Company, with respect to any particular voting decision, he or she should contact the Compliance Department promptly. The CCO will use his or her best judgment to address any such conflict of interest and ensure that it is resolved in accordance with his or her independent assessment of the best interests of the relevant Clients.

In the event of a conflict, the Company may choose to address such conflict by: (i) voting in accordance with the Proxy Advisor's recommendation; (ii) the CCO determining how to vote the proxy (if the CCO approves deviation from the Proxy Advisor's recommendation, then the CCO shall document the rationale for the vote); (iii) "echo voting" or "mirror voting" the proxy in the same proportion as the votes of other proxy holders that are not Clients; or (iv) with respect to Clients other than Retail Funds, notifying the affected Client of the material conflict of interest and seeking a waiver of the conflict or obtaining such Client's voting instructions. Where the Compliance Department deems appropriate, third parties may be used to help resolve conflicts. In this regard, the CCO or his or her delegate shall have the power to retain fiduciaries, consultants or professionals to assist with voting decisions and/or to delegate voting or consent powers to such fiduciaries, consultants or professionals.

Where a conflict of interest arises with respect to a voting decision for a Retail Fund, the Company shall disclose the conflict and the rationale for the vote taken to the Retail Fund's Board of Directors/Trustees at the next regularly scheduled quarterly meeting. The Compliance Department will maintain a log documenting the basis for the decision and will furnish the log to the Board of Trustees.

### *Material Conflicts of Interest*

The following relationships or circumstances are examples of situations that may give rise to a material conflict of interest for purposes of this Policy. This list is not exclusive or determinative; any potential conflict (including payments of the types described below but less than the specified threshold) should be identified to the Company's Compliance Department:

- (i) The issuer is a Client of the Company, or of an affiliate, accounting for more than 5% of the Company's or affiliate's annual revenues.
- (ii) The issuer is an entity that reasonably could be expected to pay the Company or its affiliates more than \$1 million through the end of the Company's next two full fiscal years.
- (iii) The issuer is an entity in which a "Covered Person" (as defined in the Company's Policies and Procedures Designed to Detect and Prevent Insider Trading and to Comply with Rule 17j-1 of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Code of Ethics")) has a beneficial interest contrary to the position held by the Company on behalf of Clients.
- (iv) The issuer is an entity in which an officer or partner of the Company or a relative of any such person is or was an officer, director or employee, or such person or relative otherwise has received more than \$150,000 in fees, compensation and other payment from the issuer during the Company's last three fiscal years; provided, however, that the Compliance Department may deem such a relationship not to be a material conflict of interest if the Company representative serves as an officer or director of the issuer at the direction of the Company for purposes of seeking control over the issuer.
- (v) The matter under consideration could reasonably be expected to result in a material financial benefit to the Company or its affiliates through the end of the Company's next two full fiscal years (for example, a vote to increase an investment advisory fee for a Retail Fund advised by the Company or an affiliate).

- (vi) Another Client or prospective Client of the Company, directly or indirectly, conditions future engagement of the Company on voting proxies in respect of any Client's securities on a particular matter in a particular way.

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- (vii) The Company holds various classes and types of equity and debt securities of the same issuer contemporaneously in different Client portfolios.
- (viii) Any other circumstance where the Company's duty to serve its Clients' interests, typically referred to as its "duty of loyalty," could be compromised.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a conflict of interest described above shall not be considered material for the purposes of this Policy in respect of a specific vote or circumstance if:

The securities in respect of which the Company has the power to vote account for less than 1% of the issuer's outstanding voting securities, but only if: (i) such securities do not represent one of the 10 largest holdings of such issuer's outstanding voting securities and (ii) such securities do not represent more than 2% of the Client's holdings with the Company.

The matter to be voted on relates to a restructuring of the terms of existing securities or the issuance of new securities or a similar matter arising out of the holding of securities, other than common equity, in the context of a bankruptcy or threatened bankruptcy of the issuer.

## Recordkeeping

Following the submission of a proxy vote, the Fund will maintain a report of the vote and all relevant documentation.

The Fund shall retain records relating to the voting of proxies and the Company shall conduct due diligence, including on Proxy Voting Services and Proxy Advisors, as applicable, to ensure the following records are adequately maintained by the appropriate party:

- (i) Copies of this Policy and any amendments thereto.
- (ii) A current copy of the Proxy Advisor's voting guidelines, as amended.
- (iii) A copy of each proxy statement that the Company receives regarding Client securities. The Company may rely on a third party to make and retain, on the Company's behalf, a copy of a proxy statement, provided that the Company has obtained an undertaking from the third party to provide a copy of the proxy statement promptly upon request.
- (iv) Records of each vote cast by the Company on behalf of Clients. The Company may satisfy this requirement by relying on a third party to make and retain, on the Company's behalf, a record of the vote cast, provided that the Company has obtained an undertaking from the third party to provide a copy of the record promptly upon request.
- (v) A copy of any documents created by the Company that were material to making a decision how to vote or that memorializes the basis for that decision.
- (vi) A copy of each written request for information on how the Company voted proxies on behalf of the Client, and a copy of any written response by the Company to any (oral or written) request for information on how the Company voted.

These records shall be maintained and preserved in an easily accessible place for a period of not less than five years from the end of the Company's fiscal year during which the last entry was made in the records, the first two years in an appropriate office of the Company.<sup>2</sup>

## Enforcement of this Policy

It shall be the responsibility of the Compliance Department to handle or coordinate the enforcement of this Policy. The Compliance Department will periodically sample proxy voting records to ensure that proxies have been voted in accordance with this Policy, with a particular focus on any proxy votes that require additional analysis (e.g., proxies voted contrary to the recommendations of a Proxy Advisor).

If the Compliance Department determines that a Proxy Advisor or Proxy Voting Service may have committed a material error, the Compliance Department will investigate the error, taking into account the nature of the error, and seek to determine whether the Proxy Advisor or Proxy Voting Service is taking reasonable steps to reduce similar errors in the future.

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In addition, no less frequently than annually, the Compliance Department will review the adequacy of this Policy to ensure that it has been implemented effectively and to confirm that this Policy continues to be reasonably designed to ensure that proxies are voted in the best interest of Clients.

- 2 If the Company has essentially immediate access to a book or record (on the Company’s proprietary system or otherwise) through a computer located at an appropriate office of the Company, then that book or record will be considered to be maintained at an appropriate office of the Company. “Immediate access” to books and records includes that the Company has the ability to provide promptly to Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) examination staff hard copies of the books and records or access to the storage medium. The party responsible for the applicable books and records as described above shall also be responsible for ensuring that those books and records for the first two years are either physically maintained in an appropriate office of the Company or that the Company otherwise has essentially immediate access to the required books and records for the first two years.

**Disclosures to Clients and Investors**

The Company includes a description of its policies and procedures regarding proxy voting in Part 2 of Form ADV, along with a statement that Clients can contact the CCO to obtain a copy of these policies and procedures and information about how the Company voted with respect to a Client’s securities. This Policy is, however, subject to change at any time without notice.

As a matter of policy, the Company does not disclose how it expects to vote on upcoming proxies. Additionally, the Company does not disclose the way it voted proxies to unaffiliated third parties without a legitimate need to know such information.

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Part A — Financial Highlights.

Part B — Audited financial statements for the period ended December 31, 2018 are incorporated by reference herein to the Trust's annual report for the period ended December 31, 2018.

**2. Exhibits**

- (a) Agreement and Declaration of Trust (1)
- (b) By-Laws (1)
- (c) Not applicable
- (d)(1) Provisions of instruments defining the rights of holders of securities are contained in the Trust's Agreement and Declaration of Trust and By-Laws
- (e) Dividend Reinvestment Plan (19)
- (f) Not applicable
- (g) Amended and Restated Investment Advisory Agreement, dated June 29, 2006, between the Trust and NexPoint Advisors, L.P. (7)
- (h) Not applicable
- (i) Not applicable
- (j)(1) Master Custodian Agreement dated October 3, 2018 between Bank of New York Mellon ("BNY") and NexPoint Real Estate Strategies Fund, NexPoint Healthcare Opportunities Fund, NexPoint Latin American Opportunities Fund, NexPoint Discount Strategies Fund, NexPoint Energy and Materials Opportunities Fund, NexPoint Strategic Income Fund and NexPoint Event Driven Fund (the "Interval Funds") listed on Annex A thereto (as Annex A may be amended from time to time), is filed herewith.
- (j)(2) Amendment 1 to Master Custodian Agreement dated April 8, 2019 between BNY and the Trust, the Interval Funds, the series of Highland Funds II, the series of Highland Funds I, the Trust, Highland Income Fund, Highland Global Allocation Fund and Gambier Bay, LLC, is filed herewith.
- (j)(3) Amendment 2 to Master Custodian Agreement dated April 8, 2019 between BNY and the Trust, the Interval Funds, the series of Highland Funds II, the series of Highland Funds I, the Trust, Highland Income Fund, Highland Global Allocation Fund and Gambier Bay, LLC, is filed herewith.
- (k)(1) Transfer Agency and Registrar Services Agreement, dated January 18, 2013, between the Trust and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC (10)
- (k)(2) Administration Services Agreement, dated June 29, 2006, between the Trust and Highland Capital Management, L.P. (10)
- (k)(3) Amendment No. 1, dated June 6, 2008, to Administration Services Agreement, dated December 4, 2006, between the Trust and Highland Capital Management, L.P. (10)
- (k)(4) Master Sub-Administration Agreement, dated July 19, 2018, between SEI investments Global Funds Services and NexPoint Advisors, L.P. (19)
- (k)(5) Committed Facility Agreement, dated May 16, 2013, between BNP Paribas Prime Brokerage, Inc. ("BNP") and the Trust (8)
- (k)(6) First Amendment Agreement, dated May 29, 2013, to the Committed Facility Agreement, dated May 16, 2013, between BNP and the Trust (12)
- (k)(7) Second Amendment Agreement, dated December 11, 2013, to the Committed Facility Agreement, dated May 16, 2013, between BNP and the Trust (10)



(k)(8) Third Amendment Agreement, dated May 6, 2014, to the Committed Facility Agreement, dated May 16, 2013, between BNP and the Trust (10)

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- (k)(9) Fourth Amendment Agreement, dated October 28, 2014, to the Committed Facility Agreement, dated May 16, 2013, between BNP and the Trust (10)
  - (k)(10) Fifth Amendment Agreement, dated February 26, 2015, to the Committed Facility Agreement, dated May 16, 2013, between BNP and the Trust (10)
  - (k)(11) Sixth Amendment Agreement, dated August 3, 2015, to the Committed Facility Agreement, dated May 16, 2013, between BNP and the Trust (11)
  - (k)(12) Seventh Amendment Agreement, dated November 30, 2015, to the Committed Facility Agreement, dated May 16, 2013, between BNP and the Trust (11)
  - (k)(13) Eighth Amendment Agreement, dated December 9, 2015, to the Committed Facility Agreement, dated May 16, 2013, between BNP and the Trust (11)
  - (k)(14) Ninth Amendment Agreement, dated March 16, 2016, to the Committed Facility Agreement, dated May 16, 2013, between BNP and the Trust (18)
  - (k)(15) Tenth Amendment Agreement, dated March 9, 2018, to the Committed Facility Agreement, dated May 16, 2013, between BNP and the Trust (18)
  - (k)(16) Annex to the Master Repurchase Agreement dated November 17, 2017, between BNP Paribas Securities Corp. and NexPoint Advisors, L.P. (17)
  - (k)(17) Form of Special Custody and Pledge Agreement (8)
  - (k)(18) Form of U.S. PB Agreement (8)
  - (k)(19) Rights Offering Marketing Support Agreement dated March 16, 2018, between Highland Capital Funds Distributor, Inc. and the Trust (18)
  - (k)(20) ISDA Master Agreement dated August 4, 2017, Credit Support Annex and related Schedules between Societe Generale and NexPoint Advisors, L.P. (17)
  - (k)(21) Amended and Restated Revolving Credit Agreement dated August 14, 2018, between the Trust, NexPoint Real Estate Opportunities, LLC and NexPoint Real Estate Capital, LLC and Keybank, National Association (19)
  - (l)(1) Opinion of Counsel to the Trust, to be filed by amendment.
  - (l)(2) Consent of Counsel to the Trust, filed herewith
  - (m) Not applicable
  - (n) Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm, filed herewith.
  - (o) Not applicable
  - (p) Subscription Agreement, dated June 1, 2006, between the Trust and Highland Capital Management Services, Inc. (1)
  - (q) Not applicable
  - (r)(1) Code of Ethics of the Trust (13)
  - (r)(2) Code of Ethics of the Investment Adviser (19)
  - (s) Powers of Attorney for Ethan Powell, Bryan A. Ward, John Honis, Dustin Norris and Dr. Bob Froehlich, filed herewith
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- (1) Incorporated by reference from Pre-Effective Amendment No. 4 to the Trust's Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-132436), filed on June 9, 2006.
  - (2) Incorporated by reference from Pre-Effective Amendment No. 5 to the Trust's Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-132436), filed on June 21, 2006.

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- (3) Incorporated by reference from the Trust's Registration Statement on Form N-14 (File No. 333-156464), filed on December 24, 2008.
- (4) Incorporated by reference from the Trust's Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-173004), filed on March 23, 2011.
- (5) Incorporated by reference from the Trust's Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-173004), filed on July 29, 2011.
- (6) Incorporated by reference from the Trust's Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-173004), filed on May 7, 2013.
- (7) Incorporated by reference from the Trust's Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-173004), filed on August 21, 2013.
- (8) Incorporated by reference from the Trust's Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-173004), filed on November 12, 2013.
- (9) Incorporated by reference from the Trust's Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-173004), filed on May 1, 2014.
- (10) Incorporated by reference from the Trust's Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-173004), filed on April 30, 2015.
- (11) Incorporated by reference from the Trust's Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-209877), filed on March 2, 2016.
- (12) Incorporated by reference from the Trust's Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-215796), filed on January 27, 2017.
- (13) Incorporated by reference from the Trust's Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-215796), filed on March 13, 2017.
- (14) Incorporated by reference from the Trust's Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-215796), filed on April 14, 2017.
- (15) Incorporated by reference from Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Trust's Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-215796), filed on April 21, 2017.
- (16) Incorporated by reference from the Trust's Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-219983), filed on August 15, 2017.
- (17) Incorporated by reference from the Trust's Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-219983), filed on December 19, 2017.
- (18) Incorporated by reference from Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Trust's Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-219983), filed March 23, 2018.
- (19) Incorporated by reference to the Trust's Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-230078), filed on March 5, 2019.

**Item 26.      *Marketing Arrangements***

Not applicable.

**Item 27.      *Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution***

The following table sets forth the estimated expenses to be incurred in connection with all offerings described in this Registration Statement:

Legal Fees	\$165,000
Subscription Agent	60,000
Information Agent	25,000
Printing and Mailing	50,000
NYSE Listing Fee	50,000
SEC Registration Fee	60,600
FINRA Fee	7,000
Other	27,400
Total	<u>\$445,000</u>

Note: All amounts are estimates.

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As of June 30, 2019, the Trust beneficially owns 100% of NexPoint Real Estate Opportunities, LLC and 100% of NexPoint Real Estate Capital, LLC, each a Delaware limited liability company that has elected to be treated as a real estate investment trust. See “Portfolio Composition” in the Trust’s Prospectus and “Investment Policies and Techniques—Real Estate Investment Trusts ‘REITS’” in the Trust’s statement of additional information filed herewith. As of June 30, 2019, the Trust beneficially owns 100% of Specialty Financial Products Ltd., a private company with limited liability duly incorporated under the laws of Ireland.

**Item 29. Number of Holders of Shares**

As of June 30, 2019:

<u>Title of Class</u>	<u>Number of Registered Holders</u>
Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	1,166

**Item 30. Indemnification**

Article V of the Registrant’s Agreement and Declaration of Trust provides as follows:

*5.1 No Personal Liability of Shareholders, Trustees, etc.* No Shareholder of the Trust shall be subject in such capacity to any personal liability whatsoever to any Person in connection with Trust Property or the acts, obligations or affairs of the Trust. Shareholders shall have the same limitation of personal liability as is extended to stockholders of a private corporation for profit incorporated under the Delaware General Corporation Law. No trustee or officer of the Trust shall be subject in such capacity to any personal liability whatsoever to any Person, save only liability to the Trust or its Shareholders arising from bad faith, willful misfeasance, gross negligence or reckless disregard for his duty to such Person; and, subject to the foregoing exception, all such Persons shall look solely to the Trust Property for satisfaction of claims of any nature arising in connection with the affairs of the Trust. If any Shareholder, trustee or officer, as such, of the Trust, is made a party to any suit or proceeding to enforce any such liability, subject to the foregoing exception, he shall not, on account thereof, be held to any personal liability. Any repeal or modification of this Section 5.1 shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a trustee or officer of the Trust existing at the time of such repeal or modification with respect to acts or omissions occurring prior to such repeal or modification.

*5.2 Mandatory Indemnification.* (a) The Trust hereby agrees to indemnify each person who at any time serves as a trustee or officer of the Trust (each such person being an “indemnitee”) against any liabilities and expenses, including amounts paid in satisfaction of judgments, in compromise or as fines and penalties, and reasonable counsel fees reasonably incurred by such indemnitee in connection with the defense or disposition of any action, suit or other proceeding, whether civil or criminal, before any court or administrative or investigative body in which he may be or may have been involved as a party or otherwise or with which he may be or may have been threatened, while acting in any capacity set forth in this Article V by reason of his having acted in any such capacity, except with respect to any matter as to which he shall not have acted in good faith in the reasonable belief that his action was in the best interest of the Trust or, in the case of any criminal proceeding, as to which he shall have had reasonable cause to believe that the conduct was unlawful, provided, however, that no indemnitee shall be indemnified hereunder against any liability to any person or any expense of such indemnitee arising by reason of (i) willful misfeasance, (ii) bad faith, (iii) gross negligence, or (iv) reckless disregard of the duties involved in the conduct of his position (the conduct referred to in such clauses (i) through (iv) being sometimes referred to herein as “disabling conduct”). Notwithstanding the foregoing, with respect to any action, suit or other proceeding voluntarily prosecuted by any indemnitee as plaintiff, indemnification shall be mandatory only if the prosecution of such action, suit or other proceeding by such indemnitee (1) was authorized by a majority of the trustees or (2) was instituted by the indemnitee to enforce his or her rights to indemnification hereunder in a case in which the indemnitee is found to be entitled to such indemnification. The rights to indemnification set forth in this Declaration shall continue as to a person who has ceased to be a trustee or officer of the Trust and shall inure to the benefit of his or her heirs, executors and personal and legal representatives. No amendment or restatement of this Declaration or repeal of any

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of its provisions shall limit or eliminate any of the benefits provided to any person who at any time is or was a trustee or officer of the Trust or otherwise entitled to indemnification hereunder in respect of any act or omission that occurred prior to such amendment, restatement or repeal.

(b) Notwithstanding the foregoing, no indemnification shall be made hereunder unless there has been a determination (i) by a final decision on the merits by a court or other body of competent jurisdiction before whom the issue of entitlement to indemnification hereunder was brought that such indemnitee is entitled to indemnification hereunder or, (ii) in the absence of such a decision, by (1) a majority vote of a quorum of those trustees who are neither “interested persons” of the Trust (as defined in Section 2(a)(19) of the Investment Company Act) nor parties to the proceeding (“Disinterested Non-Party Trustees”), that the indemnitee is entitled to indemnification hereunder, or (2) if such quorum is not obtainable or even if obtainable, if such majority so directs, independent legal counsel in a written opinion concludes that the indemnitee should be entitled to indemnification hereunder. All determinations to make advance payments in connection with the expense of defending any proceeding shall be authorized and made in accordance with the immediately succeeding paragraph (c) below.

(c) The Trust shall make advance payments in connection with the expenses of defending any action with respect to which indemnification might be sought hereunder if the Trust receives a written affirmation by the indemnitee of the indemnitee’s good faith belief that the standards of conduct necessary for indemnification have been met and a written undertaking to reimburse the Trust unless it is subsequently determined that the indemnitee is entitled to such indemnification and if a majority of the trustees determine that the applicable standards of conduct necessary for indemnification appear to have been met. In addition, at least one of the following conditions must be met: (i) the indemnitee shall provide adequate security for his undertaking, (ii) the Trust shall be insured against losses arising by reason of any lawful advances, or (iii) a majority of a quorum of the Disinterested Non-Party Trustees, or if a majority vote of such quorum so direct, independent legal counsel in a written opinion, shall conclude, based on a review of readily available facts (as opposed to a full trial-type inquiry), that there is substantial reason to believe that the indemnitee ultimately will be found entitled to indemnification.

(d) The rights accruing to any indemnitee under these provisions shall not exclude any other right which any person may have or hereafter acquire under this Declaration, the By-Laws of the Trust, any statute, agreement, vote of stockholders or trustees who are “disinterested persons” (as defined in Section 2(a)(19) of the Investment Company Act) or any other right to which he or she may be lawfully entitled.

(e) Subject to any limitations provided by the Investment Company Act and this Declaration, the Trust shall have the power and authority to indemnify and provide for the advance payment of expenses to employees, agents and other Persons providing services to the Trust or serving in any capacity at the request of the Trust to the full extent corporations organized under the Delaware General Corporation Law may indemnify or provide for the advance payment of expenses for such Persons, provided that such indemnification has been approved by a majority of the trustees.

**5.3 No Bond Required of Trustees.** No trustee shall, as such, be obligated to give any bond or other security for the performance of any of his duties hereunder.

**5.4 No Duty of Investigation; Notice in Trust Instruments, etc.** No purchaser, lender, transfer agent or other person dealing with the trustees or with any officer, employee or agent of the Trust shall be bound to make any inquiry concerning the validity of any transaction purporting to be made by the trustees or by said officer, employee or agent or be liable for the application of money or property paid, loaned, or delivered to or on the order of the trustees or of said officer, employee or agent. Every obligation, contract, undertaking, instrument, certificate, Share, other security of the Trust, and every other act or thing whatsoever executed in connection with the Trust shall be conclusively taken to have been executed or done by the executors thereof only in their capacity as trustees under this Declaration or in their capacity as officers, employees or agents of the Trust. The trustees may maintain insurance for the protection of the Trust Property, its Shareholders, trustees, officers, employees and agents in such amount as the trustees shall deem adequate to cover possible tort liability, and such other insurance as the trustees in their sole judgment shall deem advisable or is required by the Investment Company Act.

**5.5 Reliance on Experts, etc.** Each trustee and officer or employee of the Trust shall, in the performance of its duties, be fully and completely justified and protected with regard to any act or any failure to act resulting from reliance in

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good faith upon the books of account or other records of the Trust, upon an opinion of counsel, or upon reports made to the Trust by any of the Trust's officers or employees or by any advisor, administrator, manager, distributor, selected dealer, accountant, appraiser or other expert or consultant selected with reasonable care by the trustees, officers or employees of the Trust, regardless of whether such counsel or expert may also be a trustee.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "1933 Act"), may be permitted to trustees, officers and controlling persons of the Trust, pursuant to the foregoing provisions or otherwise, the Trust has been advised that in the opinion of the Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the 1933 Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Trust of expenses incurred or paid by a trustee, officer or controlling person of the Trust in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such trustee, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Trust will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the 1933 Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue. Reference is made to Section 7 of the Dealer Manager Agreement, which will be filed as Exhibit (h) in a subsequent pre-effective amendment and will discuss the rights, responsibilities and limitations with respect to indemnity and contribution.

### **Item 31. Business and Other Connections of Investment Advisor**

(a) The description of the business of NexPoint Advisors, L.P. ("NexPoint"), the investment adviser, is set forth under the caption "Management of the Funds" in the Prospectus and under the caption "Management" in the SAI, each forming part of this Registration Statement. The information as to other businesses, if any, and the directors and officers of NexPoint is set forth in its Form ADV, as filed with the SEC through the Investment Adviser Registration Depository (IARD) on (File No. 801-54874) and as amended through the date hereof, and is incorporated herein by reference.

(b) Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P. ("HCMFA"), Highland Capital Management, L.P. ("HCM") and NexBank Securities, Inc., each with its principal place of business located at 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201, are registered investment advisers affiliated with NexPoint.

The following person is a non-executive officer of HCMFA and NexPoint:

- (1) Jason Post, Chief Compliance Officer

The following persons are executive offers of the general partner of HCMFA, Strand Advisors XVI, Inc.:

- (1) Frank Waterhouse, Treasurer
- (2) Dustin Norris, Executive Vice President
- (3) Lauren Thedford, Secretary

The following persons are executive officers of the general partner of HCM and Strand Advisors, Inc.:

- (1) James Dondero, President
- (2) Mark Okada, Executive Vice President
- (3) Scott Ellington, Secretary
- (4) Frank Waterhouse, Treasurer
- (5) Trey Parker, Assistant Secretary

The following persons are non-executive officers of NexBank Securities, Inc.

- (1) Eric Holt, Chief Compliance Officer
- (2) Stacy Hodges, Financial and Operations Principal

The following person is the executive officer of NexBank Securities, Inc.:

- (1) Craig Campbell, President

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### **Item 32. Location of Accounts and Records**

- (1) American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, 6201 15th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11219 (records relating to its function as transfer agent).
- (2) Bank of New York Mellon, 240 Greenwich Street, New York, New York 10286 (records relating to its function as custodian).
- (3) NexPoint Advisors, L.P., 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201 (records relating to its function as adviser and administrator).
- (4) SEI Investments Global Fund Services, One Freedom Valley Drive, Oaks, Pennsylvania 19456 (records relating to its function as sub-administrator).

### **Item 33. Management Services**

Not Applicable.

### **Item 34. Undertakings**

- (1) The Registrant hereby undertakes to suspend the offering of its shares until it amends its prospectus if (a) subsequent to the effective date of its Registration Statement, the net asset value declines more than 10 percent from its net asset value as of the effective date of the Registration Statement, or (b) the net asset value increases to an amount greater than its net proceeds as stated in the prospectus.
- (2) The Registrant undertakes to file a post-effective amendment to the registration statement, and to suspend any offers or sales pursuant to the registration statement until such post-effective amendment has been declared effective under the 1933 Act in the event the shares of the Registrant are trading below its net asset value and either (i) the Registrant receives, or has been advised by its independent registered accounting firm that it will receive, an audit report reflecting substantial doubt regarding the registrant's ability to continue as a going concern; or (ii) the Registrant has concluded that a material adverse change has occurred in its financial position or results of operations that has caused the financial statements and other disclosures on the basis of which the offering would be made to be materially misleading.
- (3) If the securities being registered are to be offered to existing shareholders pursuant to rights, and any securities not taken by shareholders are to be reoffered to the public, the Registrant undertakes to supplement the prospectus, after the expiration of the subscription period, to set forth the results of the subscription offer, the transactions by underwriters during the subscription period, the amount of unsubscribed securities to be purchased by underwriters, and the terms of any subsequent reoffering thereof. If any public offering by the underwriters of the securities being registered is to be made on terms differing from those set forth on the cover page of the prospectus, the Registrant further undertakes to file a post-effective amendment to set forth the terms of such offering.
- (4) The Registrant undertakes:
  - (a) to file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement:
    - (1) to include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the 1933 Act;
    - (2) to reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement; and
    - (3) to include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement;

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(b) that, for the purpose of determining liability under the 1933 Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of those securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof; and

(c) to remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering;

(d) that, for the purpose of determining liability under the 1933 Act to any purchaser, if the Registrant is subject to Rule 430C; each prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 497(b), (c), (d) or (e) under the 1933 Act, shall be deemed to be part of and included in this registration statement as of the date it is first used after effectiveness. Provided, however, that no statement made in this registration statement or prospectus that is part of this registration statement or made in a document incorporated or deemed incorporated by reference into this registration statement or prospectus that is part of this registration statement will, as to a purchaser with a time of contract of sale prior to such first use, supersede or modify any statement that was made in this registration statement or prospectus that was part of this registration statement or made in any such document immediately prior to such date of first use;

(e) that for the purpose of determining liability of the Registrant under the 1933 Act to any purchaser in the initial distribution of securities, the undersigned Registrant undertakes that in a primary offering of securities of the undersigned Registrant pursuant to this registration statement, regardless of the underwriting method used to sell the securities to the purchaser, if the securities are offered or sold to such purchaser by means of any of the following communications, the undersigned Registrant will be a seller to the purchaser and will be considered to offer or sell such securities to the purchaser:

(1) any preliminary prospectus or prospectus of the undersigned Registrant relating to the offering required to be filed pursuant to Rule 497 under the 1933 Act;

(2) the portion of any advertisement pursuant to Rule 482 under the 1933 Act relating to the offering containing material information about the undersigned Registrant or its securities provided by or on behalf of the undersigned Registrant; and

(3) any other communication that is an offer in the offering made by the undersigned Registrant to the purchaser.

(5) The Registrant undertakes that:

(a) For the purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, the information omitted from the form of prospectus filed as part of a registration statement in reliance upon Rule 430A and contained in the form of prospectus filed by the Registrant under Rule 497 (h) under the 1933 Act shall be deemed to be part of the Registration Statement as of the time it was declared effective.

(b) For the purpose of determining any liability under the 1933 Act, each post-effective amendment that contains a form of prospectus shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of the securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(6) The Registrant undertakes to send by first class mail or other means designed to ensure equally prompt delivery within two business days of receipt of a written or oral request, any Statement of Additional Information.

(7) The Registrant undertakes to file a post-effective amendment under Section 8(c) of the 1933 Act in connection with any one or more offerings of the Registrant's common shares (including rights to purchase the common shares) below net asset value that will result in greater than 15% dilution, in the aggregate, to existing net asset value per share.



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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “1933 Act”) and the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “1940 Act”), the Registrant has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Dallas and the State of Texas, on the on the 27th day of August, 2019.

/s/ James Dondero

James Dondero  
President (Principal Executive Officer)

Pursuant to the requirements of the 1933 Act and the 1940 Act, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities set forth below on the 27th day of August, 2019.

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>
<u>/s/ James Dondero</u> <b>James Dondero</b>	President (Principal Executive Officer)
<u>/s/ Ethan Powell*</u> <b>Ethan Powell</b>	Chairman of the Board of Trustees
<u>/s/ Dr. Bob Froehlich*</u> <b>Dr. Bob Froehlich</b>	Trustee
<u>/s/ John Honis*</u> <b>John Honis</b>	Trustee
<u>/s/ Bryan A. Ward*</u> <b>Bryan A. Ward</b>	Trustee
<u>/s/ Dustin Norris*</u> <b>Dustin Norris</b>	Trustee
<u>/s/ Frank Waterhouse</u> <b>Frank Waterhouse</b>	Treasurer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

\* By: /s/ Frank Waterhouse  
Frank Waterhouse  
Attorney in Fact\*

\* Pursuant to powers of attorney filed herewith.

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<b><u>EXHIBIT NUMBER</u></b>	<b><u>DESCRIPTION</u></b>
(j)(1)	Master Custodian Agreement dated October 3, 2018 between Bank of New York Mellon (“BNY”) and NexPoint Real Estate Strategies Fund, NexPoint Healthcare Opportunities Fund, NexPoint Latin American Opportunities Fund, NexPoint Discount Strategies Fund, NexPoint Energy and Materials Opportunities Fund, NexPoint Strategic Income Fund and NexPoint Event Driven Fund (the “Interval Funds”) listed on Annex A thereto (as Annex A may be amended from time to time)
(j)(2)	Amendment 1 to Master Custodian Agreement dated April 8, 2019 between BNY and the Trust, the Interval Funds, the series of Highland Funds II, the series of Highland Funds I, the Trust, Highland Income Fund, Highland Global Allocation Fund and Gambier Bay, LLC
(j)(3)	Amendment 2 to Master Custodian Agreement dated April 8, 2019 between BNY and the Trust, the Interval Funds, the series of Highland Funds II, the series of Highland Funds I, the Trust, Highland Income Fund, Highland Global Allocation Fund and Gambier Bay, LLC
(l)(2)	Consent of Counsel to the Trust Dated August 27, 2019
(n)	Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm
(s)	Powers of Attorney for Ethan Powell, Bryan A. Ward, John Honis , Dustin Norris and Dr. Bob Froehlich

## **EXHIBIT WWW**

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Securities Exchange Act of 1934**Filed by the Registrant ☒ [ X ]Filed by a Party other than the Registrant ☐ [ ]

Check the appropriate box:

- ☐ [ ] Preliminary Proxy Statement  
☐ [ ] Confidential, for Use of the Commission Only (as permitted by Rule 14a-6(e)(2))  
☒ [ X ] Definitive Proxy Statement  
☐ [ ] Definitive Additional Materials  
☐ [ ] Soliciting Material Pursuant to Sec. 240.14a-12

**NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund**  
(Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

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(Name of Person(s) Filing Proxy Statement, if other than Registrant)

Payment of Filing Fee (Check the appropriate box):

- ☒ [ X ] No fee required.
- ☐ [ ] Fee computed on table below per Exchange Act Rules 14a-6(i)(1) and 0-11.
- 1) Title of each class of securities to which transactions applies:
  - 2) Aggregate number of securities to which transaction applies:
  - 3) Per unit price or other underlying value of transaction computed pursuant to Exchange Act Rule 0-11 (Set forth the amount on which the filing fee is calculated and state how it was determined):
  - 4) Proposed maximum aggregate value of transaction:
  - 5) Total fee paid:
- ☐ [ ] Fee paid previously with preliminary materials.
- ☐ [ ] Check box if any part of the fee is offset as provided by Exchange Act Rule 0-11(a)(2) and identify the filing for which the offsetting fee was paid previously. Identify the previous filing by registration statement number, or the Form or Schedule and the date of its filing.
- 1) Amount Previously Paid:
  - 2) Form, Schedule or Registration Statement No.:
  - 3) Filing Party:
  - 4) Date Filed:

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**Notice of Special Meeting  
of Shareholders and Proxy Statement**

**NEXPOINT**

**Friday, August 28, 2020, at 8:30 a.m. Central Time**

200 Crescent Court, Crescent Club, Dallas, Texas 75201

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# NEXPOINT

## NEXPOINT STRATEGIC OPPORTUNITIES FUND

Dear Shareholder:

You are cordially invited to attend the 2020 Special Meeting of Shareholders of NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund (“NHF” or the “Fund”) on Friday, August 28, 2020, at 8:30 a.m. Central Time to consider a proposal to change our business from a registered investment company that invests primarily in debt and equity securities to a diversified real estate investment trust (“REIT”) that focuses on unique opportunities in real estate. The Board, including the members of the Board who are not interested persons (as defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the “1940 Act”)) of the Fund (the “Independent Trustees”), believes that the Business Change Proposal is in the best interest of shareholders because it believes it is the best path for the Fund to increase shareholder value over time. The Business Change Proposal is expected to have the potential to increase shareholder value for the following reasons:

- Potential to provide investors with a superior risk adjusted return compared to equity, fixed income, and distressed debt markets through real estate investments over the next decade. Risk adjusted return is a calculation of the potential profit from an investment that takes into account the degree of risk associated with such investment. Please refer to the “Questions & Answers” section of this Proxy Statement for more information on how risk adjusted return is calculated.
- Expand the Fund’s access to NexPoint’s real estate capabilities (see Question 7, below, for further discussion of the Adviser’s capabilities).
- Potential to reduce the Fund’s historical discount to net asset value (“NAV”). Historically, REITs have traded more frequently at a premium to NAV while closed-end funds have traded at a discount to NAV.
- Potential to provide greater liquidity for shareholders, including the increased ability to raise capital from institutional and retail investors.
- Expected to provide investors with an opportunity to take advantage of the current dislocation in the commercial real estate markets.
- Expected to facilitate the transition of the Fund’s investments to assets with the potential to earn greater income for the Fund in an historically low interest rate environment.

Details regarding the business to be conducted at the Special Meeting are more fully described in the accompanying Notice of Special Meeting of Shareholders and Proxy Statement.

In addition to voting on the Proposals described in the Notice of Special Meeting of Shareholders and Proxy Statement, you will have an opportunity to hear a report on the Fund and to discuss other matters of interest to you as a shareholder.

We hope that you will be able to attend the Special Meeting. Whether or not you plan to attend, please complete, date, sign and mail the enclosed proxy card to assure that your shares are represented at the Special Meeting. Thank you for being a shareholder and for your continued investment in the Fund.

July 10, 2020

James D. Dondero  
President

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**300 Crescent Court, Suite 700  
Dallas, Texas 75201  
(866) 351-4440**

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS  
TO BE HELD ON AUGUST 28, 2020**

The Special Meeting of Shareholders of NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund, a Delaware statutory trust (“NHF” or the “Fund”), will be held at 200 Crescent Court, Crescent Club, Dallas, Texas 75201, on Friday, August 28, 2020, at 8:30 a.m. Central Time (the “Special Meeting”), for the following purposes:

1. To consider and vote upon a change in the Fund’s business from a registered investment company that invests primarily in debt and equity securities to a diversified REIT and to amend the Fund’s fundamental investment restrictions to permit the Fund to engage in its new business (the “Business Change Proposal”).
2. If the Business Change Proposal is approved, to approve the amendment and restatement of the Fund’s Agreement and Declaration of Trust (the “Amendment Proposal”).

Shareholders are being asked to vote upon each proposal separately; however, the effectiveness of each of the Business Change Proposal and the Amendment Proposal is conditioned and dependent upon the approval of both proposals. Accordingly, the Business Change Proposal, if approved, will only be effective if the Amendment Proposal is also approved, and the Amendment Proposal, if approved, will only be effective if the Business Change Proposal is also approved. The Board, including the Independent Trustees, unanimously recommends that you vote “FOR” the Proposals.

**No other business may be presented or transacted at the Special Meeting.**

The close of business on June 19, 2020 has been fixed as the record date for the determination of shareholders entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the Special Meeting and any adjournment or postponements thereof. Please call Di Costa Partners LLC at (833) 252-3690 for directions on how to attend the Special Meeting.

**The Board of Trustees is requesting your vote. Your vote is important regardless of the number of shares that you own. Whether or not you expect to be present at the Special Meeting, please complete and sign the enclosed proxy card and return it promptly in the enclosed envelope, which needs no postage if mailed in the United States. If you desire to vote in person at the Special Meeting, you may revoke your proxy at any time before it is exercised.**

By Order of the Board of Trustees,

/s/ Lauren Thedford

Lauren Thedford

Secretary

July 10, 2020  
Dallas, Texas

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HOW TO VOTE

Please vote on the future direction of our Fund. The New York Stock Exchange (“NYSE”) rules do not allow a broker, bank or other nominee who holds shares on your behalf to vote on the Business Change Proposal described below without your instructions.

You can vote in advance in one of three ways:

<div>via the internet</div> <div></div>	The web address and instructions for voting <b>VIA THE INTERNET</b> can be found on the enclosed proxy card or voting instruction form. You will be required to provide your control number located on the proxy card.
<div>by phone</div> <div></div>	The toll-free number for voting <b>BY TELEPHONE</b> voting can be found on the enclosed proxy card or voting instruction form. You will be required to provide your control number located on the proxy card.
<div>by mail</div> <div></div>	Sign, date and return your proxy card if you are a shareholder of record or voting instruction form if you are a beneficial owner to authorize a proxy <b>BY MAIL</b> .

If the Special Meeting is postponed or adjourned, these times will be extended to 11:59 p.m., Eastern time, on the day before the reconvened meeting.

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**300 Crescent Court  
Suite 700  
Dallas, Texas 75201  
(866) 351-4440**

**PROXY STATEMENT  
SPECIAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS  
AUGUST 28, 2020**

July 10, 2020

The Board of Trustees (the “Board”) of the NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund, a Delaware statutory trust (“NHF,” the “Fund,” “we,” “us,” or “our”), is furnishing this proxy statement and accompanying proxy card (or voting instruction form) to you in connection with the solicitation of proxies by the Board for the special meeting of our shareholders (the “Special Meeting”). The Special Meeting will be held at 200 Crescent Court, Crescent Club, Dallas, Texas 75201, on Friday, August 28, 2020, at 8:30 a.m., Central time, and any adjournment or postponements thereof (the “Special Meeting”). We are first making these proxy materials available to shareholders on or about July 15, 2020.

Only owners of record of common shares, par value \$0.001 per share, as of the close of business on June 19, 2020 (the “Record Date”) are entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the Special Meeting and at any postponements or adjournments thereof. Holders of common shares are entitled to one vote for each common share. On June 19, 2020, there were 45,606,964 common shares issued and outstanding.

We will furnish, without charge, a copy of our annual report and most recent semi-annual report succeeding the annual report, if any, to any shareholder upon request. Requests should be directed to the Secretary of the Fund at 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201 or by telephone at 1-866-351-4440 or on our web site at [www.nexpointadvisors.com](http://www.nexpointadvisors.com).<sup>1</sup> Copies of our annual and semi-annual reports are also available on the EDGAR Database on the Securities and Exchange Commission’s (the “SEC”) website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

The mailing address of our principal executive offices is 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING THE AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIALS****FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING TO BE HELD ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 28, 2020.**

THE NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING AND PROXY STATEMENT ARE AVAILABLE AT:  
[www.eproxyaccess.com/nhf2020](http://www.eproxyaccess.com/nhf2020)

<sup>1</sup>Our Internet address is included in this proxy statement as a textual reference only. The information on the website is not incorporated by reference into this proxy statement.

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## QUESTIONS & ANSWERS ABOUT THE PROXY MATERIALS AND VOTING

### 1. ON WHAT PROPOSALS AM I BEING ASKED TO VOTE?

You are being asked to consider and vote upon two proposals:

1. To approve changing our business from a registered investment company to a real estate investment trust (a “REIT”). We refer to this proposal as the “Business Change Proposal” in the proxy materials.

If the Business Change Proposal is approved, we will change our business from a registered investment company that invests in (i) secured and unsecured floating and fixed rate loans; (ii) bonds and other debt obligations; (iii) debt obligations of stressed, distressed and bankrupt issuers; (iv) structured products, including but not limited to, mortgage-backed and other asset-backed securities and collateralized debt obligations; (v) equities; (vi) other investment companies, including business development companies (“BDCs”); and (vii) REITs to a diversified REIT. In connection with this change to our business, we would amend our fundamental investment restrictions regarding purchasing and selling real estate and originating loans to allow us to begin the transitioning to our new business as a diversified REIT. The Business Change Proposal is discussed in greater detail in the proxy materials under the heading “Proposal 1: Business Change Proposal.”

2. If the Business Change Proposal is approved, to approve the amendment and restatement of the Fund’s Agreement and Declaration of Trust (the “Declaration of Trust”). We refer to this proposal as the “Amendment Proposal” in the proxy materials.

The Declaration of Trust amendments, if approved, would (i) make certain changes necessary to implement the Business Change Proposal and operate as a REIT, (ii) provide the Trustees with greater flexibility and authority consistent with the Delaware Statutory Trust Act and (iii) implement other updates and clarifications. The Declaration of Trust amendments would also require a supermajority vote to reverse or take other action that would impede the implementation of the Business Change Proposal. The Declaration of Trust amendments are discussed in greater detail in the proxy materials under the heading “Proposal 2: Amendment Proposal.”

**No other business may be presented or transacted at the Special Meeting.**

### 2. HOW DOES THE BOARD RECOMMEND THAT I VOTE?

The Board, including the Independent Trustees, unanimously recommends that you vote “FOR” the Proposals.

### 3. WHY IS THE BOARD RECOMMENDING THE BUSINESS CHANGE PROPOSAL?

The Board, including the members of the Board who are not interested persons (as defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the “1940 Act”)) of the Fund (the “Independent Trustees”), believes

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that the Business Change Proposal is in the best interest of shareholders because it believes it is the best path for the Fund to increase shareholder value over time. The Business Change Proposal is expected to have the potential to increase shareholder value for the following reasons:

- Potential to provide investors with a superior risk adjusted return compared to equity, fixed income, and distressed debt markets through real estate investments over the next decade. Risk-adjusted return is a calculation of the potential profit from an investment that takes into account the degree of risk associated with such investment. One measure of risk-adjusted return is the Sharpe ratio, which is a measurement of return or profit per unit of risk. The Sharpe ratio measures the return or profit that exceeds the risk-free rate, per unit of risk as measured by the standard deviation. This is calculated by taking the return of the investment, subtracting the risk-free rate, and then dividing this by the investment's standard deviation.
- Expand the Fund's access to NexPoint's real estate capabilities (see Question 7, below, for further discussion of the Adviser's capabilities).
- Potential to reduce the Fund's historical discount to net asset value ("NAV"). Historically, REITs have traded more frequently at a premium to NAV while closed-end funds have traded at a discount to NAV.
- Potential to provide greater liquidity for shareholders, including the increased ability to raise capital from institutional and retail investors.
- Expected to provide investors with an opportunity to take advantage of the current dislocation in the commercial real estate markets.
- Expected to facilitate the transition of the Fund's investments to assets with the potential to earn greater income for the Fund in an historically low interest rate environment.

**Please refer to Appendix A for additional information regarding these statements.** In connection with the Board's approval of the Business Change Proposal, the Board also considered potential risks associated with the Fund's conversion to a REIT (the "Conversion"), including (i) the complexity and unique nature of the transaction; (ii) risks related to current market conditions, including market volatility related to COVID-19; (iii) potential delays in receiving the Deregistration Order or in implementing the Fund's investment strategy as a REIT; (iv) the requirement to qualify as a REIT for tax purposes by March 31, 2021 (discussed below); (v) inherent risks in increasing the Fund's exposure to real estate; (vi) the risk that the Fund's exemption from the 1940 Act through a decrease in assets that qualify as "securities" under the 1940 Act is not viewed favorably by the SEC Staff; and (vii) conflicts of interest as noted in the Fund's offering documents.

For a detailed discussion of the principal considerations taken into account by the Board and a discussion of the potential risks in implementing the Business Change Proposal, see "Business Change Proposal—Reasons for the Proposed Change" and Appendix B.

#### 4. WHY IS THE BOARD RECOMMENDING THE AMENDMENT PROPOSAL?

The Fund's current Declaration of Trust was adopted in 2006 and reflects the Fund's operations as a closed-end investment management company registered under the 1940 Act. Some of the proposed amendments to the Declaration of Trust are necessary in order to implement the Business Change

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Proposal, operate as a REIT and qualify for REIT tax treatment. Certain of the other proposed amendments would allow the Fund to operate more efficiently and enhance its ability to achieve the full benefit of the Business Change Proposal, as well as update the Declaration of Trust to more modern provisions for investment vehicles organized as Delaware statutory trusts. Accordingly, the Board, including the Independent Trustees, recommends that Shareholders approve an amendment and restatement of the Fund's Declaration of Trust, as set forth in substantially the form attached hereto as Appendix D (the "A&R Declaration of Trust").

For a discussion of the principal considerations taken into account by the Board and a discussion of the amendments comprising the Amendment Proposal, see "Proposal 2: Amendment Proposal."

#### **5. WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF ONLY ONE OF THE PROPOSALS IS APPROVED BY SHAREHOLDERS?**

Shareholders are being asked to vote upon each proposal separately; however, the effectiveness of each of the Business Change Proposal and the Amendment Proposal is conditioned and dependent upon the approval of both proposals. Accordingly, the Business Change Proposal, if approved, will only be effective if the Amendment Proposal is also approved, and the Amendment Proposal, if approved, will only be effective if the Business Change Proposal is also approved.

#### **6. IF THE BUSINESS CHANGE PROPOSAL IS APPROVED, WHAT WILL THE FUND DO TO IMPLEMENT THE PROPOSAL?**

If the Business Change Proposal is approved by shareholders, we will begin to transition its business and investments to those of a diversified REIT. At some point during this transition, we will no longer qualify as an "investment company" and we will apply to the SEC for an order under the 1940 Act declaring that we have ceased to be a registered investment company (the "Deregistration Order"). Pending the SEC's issuance of the Deregistration Order, we intend to begin realigning our portfolio consistent with our new business as a diversified REIT. We anticipate that the implementation period may last up to two years, in which case full implementation will not occur until approximately the middle of 2022. This time period is an estimate and may vary depending upon the length of the deregistration process with the SEC, tax considerations and the pace at which we will be able to transition certain of the Fund's investments to tactically fund additional real estate investments across the investable issuer's capital structure. The Adviser expects the Fund to be able to transition its investment portfolio sufficient to qualify as a REIT for tax purposes by the first quarter of 2021.

#### **7. DOES OUR ADVISER HAVE EXPERIENCE IN MANAGING REITS? WILL THERE BE ANY CHANGES TO THE FUND'S INVESTMENT ADVISORY AGREEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE BUSINESS CHANGE PROPOSAL?**

Our investment adviser, NexPoint Advisors, L.P. ("NexPoint" or, the "Adviser"), and its affiliates have significant experience underwriting, originating, purchasing, and managing real estate investments, REITs and publicly traded companies. NexPoint and its affiliates manage strategies such as direct real estate, real estate credit and originated or structured real estate credit investments and also invest in various credit and equity strategies through long-only funds, Delaware Statutory Trusts, non-traded funds, publicly traded closed-end funds, mutual funds and an ETF. Together with its affiliates, NexPoint had approximately \$9.2 billion in assets under management as of March 31, 2020.

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The Adviser and its affiliates currently manage nine REITs, which include three publicly traded sector-specific REITs, one privately offered sector-specific REIT and five private REITs which are wholly-owned subsidiaries of registered investment companies, including the Fund, advised by the Adviser and its affiliates (collectively, the “REIT Complex”). The REIT Complex includes three publicly traded sector-specific REITs, one privately offered sector-specific REIT and five private REITs which are wholly-owned subsidiaries of registered investment companies, including the Fund. Within the sector-specific REITs the Adviser manages portfolios of: Class B, value add multifamily properties; single-family housing properties in the Midwest U.S.; hospitality assets located in the U.S.; and mortgages.

As such, the Fund has access to a fully integrated, broad institutional real estate investment platform that, as of March 31, 2020, managed approximately \$7.8 billion in gross real estate assets. NexPoint’s position in the markets gives it access to unique sourcing opportunities for investments not typically available to retail investors. NexPoint is a select sponsor with Freddie Mac and has experience structuring financing solutions behind first mortgage lenders, including banks, life insurance companies, Freddie Mac and The Federal National Mortgage Association, or Fannie Mae, including mezzanine loans and preferred equity investments. NexPoint and its affiliates have successfully tailored financing solutions to property owners in creative ways but also highly symbiotic with a typical Freddie Mac or Fannie Mae first mortgage. NexPoint’s multifamily loan and investment platform complies with current Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae standards, giving the Fund a unique opportunity to invest alongside quality sponsors and some of the largest multifamily lenders in the U.S.

After we receive the Deregistration Order, the Adviser will continue to provide the day-to-day management of our operations, subject to the oversight and direction of the Board. Management and administrative fees will remain the same (an annual fee, paid monthly, in an amount equal to 1.00% of the average weekly value of the Fund’s Managed Assets (defined below) for management fees and 0.20% of the average weekly value of the Fund’s Managed Assets for administrative fees) immediately after receipt of the Deregistration Order, subject to the revised definition of Managed Assets discussed below, which is intended to reflect REIT market practice and take into consideration the Fund’s deregistration from the 1940 Act. At this stage, the terms of the investment advisory agreement would also likely be amended to remove certain provisions required by the 1940 Act and to otherwise conform the agreement to terms more customary for publicly traded REITs.

It is important for shareholders to be aware that management fee expenses, as well as other operating expenses, are expected to increase as the Business Change Proposal becomes fully implemented following receipt of the Deregistration Order due to increased costs associated with an increase in the Fund’s gross assets; however, these expenses are projected to be offset by higher projected income attributable to increased cash flows from leveraged real estate assets, resulting in higher projected net income per common share (thus supporting a potentially higher distribution rate in the long term) than without the implementation of the Business Change Proposal.

Following receipt of the Deregistration Order, the Adviser intends to seek Board and shareholder approval to implement a Long-Term Incentive Plan (“LTIP”) for the REIT’s trustees, officers and key employees. The Adviser notes that LTIPs are common in the REIT industry and, better align the interests of management with shareholders.

The Adviser has agreed to a total expense cap of 1.5% of Managed Assets on the aggregate amount of the corporate operating expenses, administrative fees and management fees paid to the Adviser for the

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twelve-month period following the Fund's receipt of the Deregistration Order ("the Total Expense Cap"). The Total Expense Cap is intended to cap general and administrative expenses and certain other expenses to ensure NHF's expenses are competitive and shareholder friendly.

#### **8. WHAT ARE THE TAX CONSEQUENCES OF IMPLEMENTING THE BUSINESS CHANGE PROPOSAL?**

We have elected to be treated and currently operate in a manner intended to qualify for taxation as a "regulated investment company" ("RIC") under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "IRC"). Assuming we deregister as an investment company under the 1940 Act as a result of the Business Change Proposal, our qualification for taxation as a RIC would terminate for the taxable year in which the Deregistration Order becomes effective (the "Deregistration Year") and we intend to elect to be taxed as a REIT under the IRC commencing with the Deregistration Year and in subsequent taxable years. See Appendix C for a detailed discussion of the tax consequences of implementing the Business Change Proposal.

Once the Business Change Proposal is fully implemented, we intend to make monthly distributions to our shareholders in amounts that will, at a minimum, enable us to comply with the REIT provisions of the IRC that require annual distributions of at least 90% of our REIT taxable income (other than net capital gains). The actual amount of such distributions will be determined on a monthly basis by the Board, taking into account the REIT tax requirements, our cash needs, our earnings, the market price of our common shares and other factors the Board considers relevant.

#### **9. WHAT IS THE ESTIMATED COST ASSOCIATED WITH THE BUSINESS CHANGE PROPOSAL? WHO WILL BEAR THE COSTS AND EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH THE BUSINESS CHANGE PROPOSAL?**

We estimate that the third-party legal fees, transfer agency costs, SEC and NYSE registration fees and de minimus other expenses associated with consideration and approval of the Business Change Proposal will be approximately \$1.45 million (the "Transaction Costs"). The Adviser has agreed to cap Transaction Costs payable by the Fund to 20-basis points (0.20%) of the Fund's net asset value (the "Expense Cap").

Based on the Fund's current NAV, the Fund would be responsible for paying Transaction Costs up to \$1.5 million. We believe this cap is reasonable given that the average REIT IPO costs on average \$3.8 million (including accounting fees, registration fees, FINRA, printing, etc.).<sup>1</sup>

#### **10. WILL MY VOTE MAKE A DIFFERENCE?**

YES! Your vote is important no matter how many shares you own to ensure that the Business Change Proposal is adopted. We hope you will participate in the governance of our Fund.

<sup>1</sup> Data derived from publicly available information from the last nineteen REIT IPOs as of April 22, 2020.

#### **11. WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF SHAREHOLDERS DO NOT APPROVE THE BUSINESS CHANGE PROPOSAL?**

If the Business Change Proposal is not approved, or if the Business Change Proposal is not effective because Shareholders did not approve the Amendment Proposal, the Board may consider other options

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to enhance or preserve shareholder value, including continuing our current operation as a registered investment company.

**12. HOW CAN I AUTHORIZE A PROXY TO VOTE MY SHARES?**

Please follow the instructions included on the enclosed proxy card or voting instruction form.

**13. WHOM DO I CALL IF I HAVE QUESTIONS REGARDING THE PROXY?**

You may contact our proxy solicitor:

Di Costa Partners LLC  
Call Toll Free: (833) 252-3690



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## PROPOSAL 1: BUSINESS CHANGE PROPOSAL

### Introduction

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The Board, including the Independent Trustees, recommends that we change our business from a registered investment company that invests in (i) secured and unsecured floating and fixed rate loans; (ii) bonds and other debt obligations; (iii) debt obligations of stressed, distressed and bankrupt issuers; (iv) structured products, including but not limited to, mortgage-backed and other asset-backed securities and collateralized debt obligations; (v) equities; (vi) other investment companies, including business development companies (“BDCs”); and (vii) real estate investment trusts (“REITs”) to a diversified REIT and to amend the Fund’s fundamental investment restrictions to permit the Fund to engage in its new business (the “Business Change Proposal”);

Once the Business Change Proposal is fully implemented, it is expected that investments will be diversified among various commercial real estate property types and across the capital structure, including but not limited to: equity, mortgage debt, mezzanine debt and preferred equity.

It is expected that property types will primarily include industrial, hospitality, net lease, retail, office, storage and healthcare and, to the extent currently owned, multifamily and single-family rentals; however, the Fund would have the authority to invest without limitation in any property type. As of the date of this proxy, the Fund’s real estate portfolio consists of multifamily, single-family, net lease, hospitality, retail, storage, office, and other assets.

The Fund will invest primarily in real estate and real estate related assets; however, the Fund may, to a limited extent, continue to hold, acquire or transact in certain non-real estate securities. To permit us to engage in our new business, our fundamental investment restrictions regarding purchasing and selling real estate and originating loans and certain of our fundamental investment restrictions would be amended to allow us to engage in our business as a diversified REIT.

The Board and the Adviser believe that, over the long term, the Business Change Proposal would result in expanded access to the Adviser’s real estate capabilities, an investment portfolio with the potential to provide a superior risk adjusted return, increased share liquidity, the potential to reduce the discount at which our common shares historically have traded relative to their NAV, and/or provide investors with an opportunity to take advantage of the current dislocation in the commercial real estate markets and low-interest rate environment.

To promote loyalty and long-time alignment of interests among the Fund’s shareholders, the Adviser offers an incentive to shareholders that buy and hold the Fund’s common shares for a period of at least twelve months through its Shareholder Loyalty Plan (the “Plan”). Shareholders holding an account (the “Account”) with the Plan’s administrator, Global Shares, may make contributions to the Account during a defined trading period to purchase shares and NexPoint will make a corresponding contribution on such participant’s behalf (the “Gross-up”). The Gross-up is determined by NexPoint and may be adjusted at any point without notice by NexPoint prospectively from time to time in accordance with the terms of the Plan. For example, if a participant contributes \$10,000 to the Account during a defined trading period to purchase shares and NexPoint has determined the participant’s Gross-up will be 2%, NexPoint will make a corresponding contribution of \$200, or 2% of the total \$10,000, to purchase additional Shares for the participant. In addition, Plan participants are not required to pay any customary purchase commissions or distribution fees on the purchase of shares under the Plan. The Adviser intends to continue the Plan following the Fund’s conversion into a REIT.

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For a variety of reasons discussed below, the Board believes that the Business Change Proposal is a better long-term business strategy and is more likely to increase shareholder value than continuing to operate as a registered investment company.

**The Board has unanimously recommended that shareholders vote “FOR” the Business Change Proposal.**

Set forth below is a summary of the Board’s considerations in approving the Business Change Proposal.

**Reasons for the Proposed Change**

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Following preliminary discussion of the Business Change Proposal beginning in February 2020, the Adviser presented the Business Change Proposal to the Board at a meeting on April 28, 2020. The Board reached their decision to unanimously recommend the Business Change Proposal after approximately four months of consideration, discussions and deliberations, during which the Board met on eight occasions. The Independent Board Members also reviewed and discussed the Business Change Proposal during executive sessions with their independent legal counsel at which no representatives of management were present. The Board also had the opportunity to request additional follow up information, which the Adviser provided.

The Board reviewed materials prepared by the Adviser relating to the Business Change Proposal, our investment objectives, strategies, and restrictions, the types of investments we intend to make if the Business Change Proposal is approved, the risk and return characteristics of those investments, projected income and expenses anticipated to be associated with implementing the Business Change Proposal and associated with operating as a diversified REIT and related matters.

These materials generally compared our business and prospects both with and without implementing the Business Change Proposal, and the Board discussed these matters extensively with the Adviser. Given the Adviser’s experience in the investment management and REIT industries, the Adviser prepared a report evaluating the overall REIT industry and the anticipated broader impact of the implementation of the Business Change Proposal on the Fund, including on the Fund’s operations and performance. During the course of its evaluation, the Board also consulted with the Adviser and the Adviser’s and the Fund’s legal counsel. Throughout the process, the Board, and separately, the Independent Trustees with their independent counsel, met in executive sessions with no representatives of management present to further discuss the Business Change Proposal. At Board meetings held on June 16, 2020 and June 18-19, 2020, the Board further discussed the Business Change Proposal and, after meeting in executive session, unanimously recommended that the Board approve the Business Change Proposal and submit it to a vote of the Fund’s shareholders. In reaching its decision to recommend the approval of the Business Change Proposal, the Board, in consultation with the Adviser, considered various factors it deemed relevant, including, but not limited to, the following factors:

- In considering the Business Change Proposal, the Board noted its discussions with the Adviser regarding the anticipated positive impact that the implementation of the Business Change Proposal would have on the sustainability and potential growth of earnings and distribution rate over the long term. The Board in particular considered in its evaluations, the Adviser’s discussion of the potential benefits of the Business Change Proposal, including that, over the long term, our new investment strategies could result in our result in expanded access to the

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Adviser's real estate capabilities, an investment portfolio with the potential to provide a superior risk adjusted return, increased share liquidity, the potential to reduce the discount at which our common shares historically have traded relative to their NAV, and/or providing investors with an opportunity to take advantage of the current dislocation in the commercial real estate markets and low-interest rate environment.

- The Board further considered that the Adviser has committed to cap third-party legal fees, transfer agency costs, SEC and NYSE registration fees and de minimus other costs and expenses associated with consideration and approval of the Business Change Proposal (the "Transaction Costs") to 20-basis points (0.20%) of the Fund's net asset value (the "Expense Cap") compared to the average cost of a REIT's initial public offering, (including accounting fees, registration fees, FINRA, printing, etc.).
- The Board considered pro forma fees and expenses associated with implementing the Business Change Proposal and associated with operating as a diversified REIT, including expense information relating to other REITs in the REIT Complex. The Board took into account the Adviser's discussion of the Fund's fees and expenses, including that although management fee expenses and other operating expenses are expected to increase as the Business Change Proposal becomes fully implemented following receipt of the Deregistration Order due to increased costs associated with an increase in the Fund's gross assets, these expenses are projected to be offset by higher projected income attributable to increased cash flows from leveraged real estate assets, which, potentially could result in higher projected net income per common share than without the implementation of the Business Change Proposal (and thus, although no guarantee, supporting a potentially higher distribution rate in the long term).
- The Board also took into account that the Adviser has agreed to the Total Expense Cap of 1.5% of Managed Assets on the aggregate amount of the corporate operating expenses, administrative fees and management fees paid to the Adviser for the twelve-month period following the Fund's receipt of the Deregistration Order.
- The Board considered the Adviser's belief that, given the current phase of the real estate cycle, the current and projected interest rate environment and anticipated economic decline, a diversified real estate investment trust could provide the Fund with a greater ability to generate returns for shareholders and could represent a more favorable risk-return tradeoff, as compared to investing primarily in equity securities of companies engaged in real estate businesses.
- The Board discussed the following advantages of a diversified REIT strategy<sup>2</sup>:
  - o Real estate investments have generally outperformed the securities markets over long periods of time;
  - o REITs generally provide investors with greater liquidity, including the increased ability to raise capital from institutional and retail investors;

<sup>2</sup> Please refer to Appendix A for support provided to the Board for consideration of the Business Change Proposal.

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- o Historically, REITs have traded more frequently at a premium to NAV while closed-end funds have traded at a discount to NAV;
  - o The proposed diversified REIT strategy has the potential to generate higher income than the current strategy; and
  - o REITs can offer additional tax advantages compared to closed-end funds, such as a 20% deduction for most REIT ordinary income dividends received by non-corporate U.S. shareholders and generally a greater portion of a REIT's dividends being classified as a tax-deferred return of capital due to the depreciation and other expenses accrued from owning properties.
- The Board noted that, notwithstanding these anticipated advantages, the particular nature of any economic downturns, recessions or financial crises (including the recent recession caused by the COVID-19 pandemic), and issuer specific or asset class/property type specific risk could adversely impact the anticipated risk-return tradeoff for real estate investing and lead to losses notwithstanding any perceived protection provided by investing in direct real estate and real estate debt as opposed to the current strategy.
  - Additionally, the Board noted that the Fund is currently required to, under normal market conditions, invest at least 25% of the value of its total assets in the real estate industry, including obligations issued or guaranteed by the U.S. Government, any state or territory of the United States or any of their agencies, instrumentalities or political subdivisions, and investments by any territory of the United States or any of their agencies, instrumentalities or political subdivisions for which the underlying collateral is real estate. The Board noted that shareholders had previously voted to approve the 25% policy with respect to the Fund's investments in the real estate industry and that converting the Fund to a REIT would better position the Fund to access such real estate investments.
  - The Board assesses the Fund's performance at each quarterly meeting and during its regular telephonic meetings. The Board noted that over the last several years, real estate investments were among the Fund's top contributors and led to less volatility within the Fund's portfolio.
  - Shares of closed-end funds often trade in the marketplace at a discount to their NAV per share. This has been the case for our common shares, given that they have traded at a persistent discount to our NAV for the past several years. In October 2019, the Board approved a repurchase program of up to \$25 million of the Fund's shares over a period of six months. Due to continued volatility in the markets in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Board amended and restated the Fund's repurchase program to permit the Fund to purchase up to 10% of the Fund's outstanding shares over the next 1-year period. The Board noted that despite these efforts, the Fund's common shares have continued to trade at a discount to NAV.
  - Additionally, the Board considered the potential for reduction in the Fund's discount to NAV once converted to a REIT based on the historical trading discounts of REITs and closed-end funds.
  - In evaluating U.S. listed REITs invested in similar property types, the Board noted the Adviser's presentation that that these REITs often, though not always, traded at a premium to

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net asset value and considered the potential for the Business Change Proposal, in the long term, to act as a catalyst for providing shareholders with an improved likelihood of being able to trade their common shares at a price closer to, or perhaps even in excess of, NAV. The Board noted the precedent of another closed-end fund that deregistered and became a REIT and the impact of such conversion on the trading price of that fund, though the Board also noted the different facts and circumstances applicable to that situation and that there could be no assurance that converting to a diversified REIT would have a similar impact on the market price of our common shares. The Board also noted that another closed-end fund recently received shareholder approval to deregister and become a mortgage REIT for many of the same reasons noted above.

- The Board also considered the size of NHF's asset base and that NHF is of sufficient size to operate as a REIT, noting the Fund is currently larger than approximately 30% of publicly traded REITs.
- The Board and the Adviser believe that the Fund's status as a closed-end fund has made it difficult for the Fund to attract interest from broader capital market participants, including market analysts, and therefore may be an obstacle to enhancing our profile in the market and thus the market liquidity and trading prices of our common shares. The Board believes that the Business Change Proposal's potential for long term enhancement of the price at which our common shares trade relative to their NAV could protect our long-term shareholders from these vulnerabilities and preserve value for them, while at the same time improving market sentiment and recognition for us, which in turn could enhance the market liquidity of our common shares.
- The Board considered the Adviser's and its affiliates' position in the markets and access to unique sourcing opportunities, including that the Adviser is a select sponsor with Freddie Mac and has experience structuring unique financing solutions behind first mortgage lenders, including banks, life insurance companies, Freddie Mac and The Federal National Mortgage Association, or Fannie Mae, including mezzanine loans and preferred equity investments.
- The Board considered the current investments of the Fund, including that a significant portion of the Fund's net assets are already comprised of real estate and real estate related securities, and that transition of the Fund's remaining assets into assets sufficient to render the Fund not an "investment company" under the 1940 Act could be facilitated at a relatively low cost.
- The Board considered the experience and qualifications of the Adviser's and its affiliates' personnel in managing REITs and whether the Fund's total assets were sufficient to allow us to successfully implement the Business Change Proposal. The Board noted the substantial experience of the Adviser's personnel and its affiliates in the real estate management, REIT and mortgage origination businesses and the experience of the Adviser's personnel that would service us if the Business Change Proposal is approved. The Board concluded that the Adviser has the wherewithal to successfully implement the Business Change Proposal. The Board also considered the performance and trading history of other REITs managed by an affiliate of the Adviser and that the same personnel that conduct the business of the other REITs are expected to conduct our business if the Business Change Proposal is approved.
- The Board recognized that if the Fund is unsuccessful in implementing the Business Change Proposal, the anticipated benefits of the Business Change Proposal may not be realized. The

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Board also recognized that, based on projections, there would be an extended implementation period for the Business Change Proposal because of the anticipated length of time to obtain the Deregistration Order and the timing of becoming a REIT which may be impacted by tax considerations. The Board noted the Adviser's expectation that the Fund would be able to transition its investment portfolio sufficient to qualify as a REIT for tax purposes by the first quarter of 2021; however, the implementation period may last up to two years, in which case the full implementation will not occur until approximately the middle of 2022. The Board noted that this time period was an estimate and may vary depending upon the length of the deregistration process with the SEC, tax considerations and the pipeline of mortgage origination opportunities.

- The Board considered the impact to the Fund of no longer being subject to regulation as a registered investment company under the 1940 Act. The Board noted that the 1940 Act provides certain protections to shareholders that would no longer apply once we deregister under the 1940 Act. The Board concluded that this result was appropriate given the differing nature of the Fund's business following the implementation of the Business Change Proposal as a type of business that Congress chose not to regulate under the 1940 Act. The Board noted that the Business Change Proposal could also provide benefits to shareholders. The Board noted that the lack of 1940 Act regulation would permit the Fund, post implementation of the Business Change Proposal, to compete with other similar diversified REITs through more flexible ability to transact with related parties, including other REITS managed by the Adviser or its affiliates, without being subject to the restrictions of the 1940 Act. The Board also noted that the Fund would continue to be subject to reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") and shareholders would continue to have the benefit of the significant regulatory protections provided by the corporate governance requirements of the NYSE or another national securities exchange. See "—Implementation of the Business Change Proposal and Related Risks" and "—Operation as a REIT."
- The Board also considered any direct and indirect benefits to the Adviser and its affiliates as a result of the Business Change Proposal.
- The Board considered the tax consequences of the Business Change Proposal, including that as a REIT, we expect to pay distributions to shareholders of at least 90% of our REIT taxable income (other than net capital gains). See "—U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations of the Fund's Conversion to a REIT" and Appendix C.
- The Board considered the current market disruptions and volatility arising out of the COVID-19 pandemic, including the impact on the Fund's equity investments, the Fund's ability to pursue its current investment strategy, and the ability for the Fund to take advantage of opportunities in the real estate markets due to dislocation caused by recent quarantine and shelter in place orders. For example, valuations of real estate properties and debt securities across various property sectors have declined significantly since the outbreak of COVID-19. Based on the Adviser's experience, the Board believes the Fund can take advantage of these dislocations.
- The Board took into account potential risks associated with implementing the Business Change Proposal, including those discussed in Appendix B.

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In determining to approve the Business Change Proposal, the Board did not identify any particular factor as determinative, and each Trustee attributed different weights to the various factors. These factors were also considered by the Independent Trustees meeting separately from the full Board with their independent counsel and both with and without Fund counsel. Following review and discussions with the Adviser and Fund counsel, the Board, including separately the Independent Trustees, unanimously determined that the Business Change Proposal is advisable and in the best interests of the Fund and the Fund's shareholders. During Board meetings held on June 18-19 2020, the Board, including the Independent Trustees, unanimously approved the Business Change Proposal and directed that the Business Change Proposal be submitted for consideration by our shareholders. If shareholders do not approve the Business Change Proposal, the Board may consider other options to enhance or preserve shareholder value, including continuing our current operation as a registered investment company.

**THE BOARD, INCLUDING THE INDEPENDENT TRUSTEES, UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS THAT SHAREHOLDERS VOTE “FOR” THE BUSINESS CHANGE PROPOSAL.**

**Implementation of the Business Change Proposal and Related Risks**

*Realignment of Portfolio and Deregistration.* If the Business Change Proposal is approved by shareholders, we will begin to realign our portfolio to invest to a greater degree in real estate and real estate related assets. At some point during this transition process, we will no longer qualify as an “investment company” under the 1940 Act and will apply to the SEC for a Deregistration Order. We intend to accomplish this by selling certain existing investments in securities, as defined in the 1940 Act, to fund additional investments to tactically fund additional real estate investments across the capital stack. The composition of our portfolio during the transition period will depend upon a variety of factors, including changes in economic conditions, desired common share distribution level, the availability of desirable investment opportunities and the availability of leverage facilities on acceptable terms, among others. The issuance of the Deregistration Order by the SEC is not within our control, and we anticipate that it may take a year or longer from the date of filing of the application to obtain the Deregistration Order. Until the SEC issues a Deregistration Order, we will continue to be registered as an investment company and will continue to be regulated under the 1940 Act. The Fund will continue to be listed on the NYSE under the ticker “NHF.”

*Changes to Our Fundamental Restrictions.* If the Business Change Proposal is approved, our fundamental investment restrictions regarding purchasing and selling real estate and originating loans would be amended to permit us to engage in our new business strategy, as set forth below.

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Current Fundamental Restrictions	Fundamental Restrictions After Approval of Business Change Proposal But Before Deregistration
<p>The Fund may not purchase or sell real estate, except that the Fund may invest in securities of companies that deal in real estate or are engaged in the real estate business, including real estate investment trusts and real estate operating companies, and instruments secured by real estate or interests therein and the Fund may acquire, hold and sell real estate acquired through default, liquidation, or other distributions of an interest in real estate as a result of the Fund's ownership of such other assets.</p> <p>The Fund may not make loans of money or property to any person, except through loans of portfolio securities up to a maximum of 33 1/3% of the Fund's total assets, the purchase of debt securities, including bank loans (senior loans) and participations therein, or the entry into repurchase agreements up to a maximum of 33 1/3% of the Fund's total assets</p>	<p>The Fund may purchase or sell real estate, except to the extent that it would violate the 1940 Act.</p> <p>The Fund may originate loans to other persons, except to the extent that it would violate the 1940 Act.</p>

Each of the amended policies would remain fundamental, as required by the 1940 Act, until we receive the Deregistration Order, at which time these policies (and other Fund policies) could be changed by the Board without shareholder approval.

We currently have, and will retain until we receive the Deregistration Order, a fundamental investment policy to make investments that will result in concentration (25% or more of the value of our investments) at the time of purchase in the securities of issuers conducting their principal business activities in the real estate industry, including obligations issued or guaranteed by the U.S. Government, any state or territory of the United States or any of their agencies, instrumentalities or political subdivisions, and investments by any territory of the United States or any of their agencies, instrumentalities or political subdivisions for which the underlying collateral is real estate.

*Changes to Our Non-Fundamental Investment Policies and Strategies.* Our current non-fundamental investment policies and strategies provide that under normal market conditions, we invest:

- To provide both current income and capital appreciation;
- Primarily in the following categories of securities and instruments of corporations and other business entities: (i) secured and unsecured floating and fixed rate loans; (ii) bonds and other debt obligations; (iii) debt obligations of stressed, distressed and bankrupt issuers; (iv) structured products, including but not limited to, mortgage-backed and other asset-backed securities and collateralized debt obligations; (v) equities; (vi) other investment companies, including BDCs; and (vii) REITs; and



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- Up to 15% of our net assets in entities that are excluded from registration under the 1940 Act by virtue of section 3(c)(1) and 3(c)(7) of the 1940 Act (such as private equity funds or hedge funds). This limitation does not apply to any CLOs, certain of which may rely on Section 3(c)(1) or 3(c)(7) of the 1940 Act.

If the Business Change Proposal is approved, the foregoing policies and strategies will be replaced with the investment strategy described under “—Operation as a Diversified REIT—Investment Strategy.”

*Investment Advisory Agreement.* If the Business Change Proposal is approved, our current investment advisory agreement will remain in effect until receipt of the Deregistration Order, including the existing investment advisory fee. After we receive the Deregistration Order, the Adviser will continue to provide the day-to-day management of our operations, subject to the oversight and direction of the Board. Management and administrative fees will remain the same (an annual fee, paid monthly, in an amount equal to 1.00% of the average weekly value of the Fund’s Managed Assets (defined below) for management fees and 0.20% of the average weekly value of the Fund’s Managed Assets for administrative fees) immediately after receipt of the Deregistration Order, subject to the revised definition of Managed Assets discussed below. At this stage, the terms of the investment advisory agreement would also likely be amended to remove certain provisions required by the 1940 Act and to otherwise conform the agreement to terms more customary for publicly traded REITS.

It is important for shareholders to be aware that management fee expenses, as well as other operating expenses, are expected to increase as the Business Change Proposal becomes fully implemented following receipt of the Deregistration Order due to increased costs associated with an increase in the Fund’s gross assets; however, these expenses are projected to be offset by higher projected income attributable to increased cash flows from leveraged real estate assets, resulting in higher projected net income per common share (thus supporting a potentially higher distribution rate in the long term) than without the implementation of the Business Change Proposal.

Following receipt of the Deregistration Order, the Adviser intends to seek Board and shareholder approval to implement an LTIP for the REIT’s trustees, officers and key employees. The Adviser notes that LTIPs are common in the REIT industry and, better align the interests of management with shareholders.

The Adviser has agreed to a total expense cap of 1.5% of Managed Assets on the aggregate amount of the corporate operating expenses, administrative fees and management fees paid to the Adviser for the twelve-month period following the Fund’s receipt of the Deregistration Order (“the Total Expense Cap”). The Total Expense Cap is intended to cap general and administrative expenses and certain other expenses to ensure NHF’s expenses are competitive and shareholder friendly.

Under the terms of our investment advisory agreement, the Adviser provides us with an investment program, makes our day-to-day investment decisions and manages our business affairs in accordance with our investment objectives and policies, subject to the general supervision of the Board. As compensation for its services rendered and the related expenses borne by the Adviser, we pay the Adviser an annual fee, paid monthly, in an amount equal to 1.00% of the average weekly value of the Fund’s Managed Assets. The Fund’s “Managed Assets” is an amount equal to the total assets of the Fund, including any form of leverage, minus all accrued expenses incurred in the normal course of operations, but not excluding any liabilities or obligations attributable to investment leverage obtained through

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(i) indebtedness of any type (including, without limitation, borrowing through a credit facility or the issuance of debt securities), (ii) the issuance of preferred stock or other preference securities, (iii) the reinvestment of collateral received for securities loaned in accordance with the Fund's investment objectives and policies, and/or (iv) any other means. We may terminate the investment advisory agreement at any time without penalty by giving the Adviser sixty days' notice and paying any compensation earned prior to such termination, provided that such termination shall be directed or approved by the vote of a majority of our Trustees or by the vote of the holders of a "majority" (as defined in the 1940 Act) of our outstanding voting securities.

Additionally, the Adviser provides administrative services to the Fund. For its services, the Adviser receives an annual fee, payable monthly, in an amount equal to 0.20% of the average weekly value of the Fund's Managed Assets. Under a separate sub-administration agreement, the Adviser has delegated certain administrative functions to SEI Global Funds Services ("SEI"). The Investment Adviser pays SEI directly for these sub-administration services.

The Adviser has historically been affiliated through common control with Highland Capital Management, L.P. ("HCMLP"), an SEC-registered investment adviser. On October 16, 2019, HCMLP filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware. The case was subsequently transferred to the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas. On January 9, 2020, the bankruptcy court approved a change of control of HCMLP, which involved the resignation of James Dondero as the sole director of, and the appointment of an independent board to, HCMLP's general partner. Mr. Dondero will, however, remain as an employee of HCMLP and as portfolio manager for all funds and vehicles for which he currently holds such titles. Nevertheless, given Mr. Dondero's historic role with HCMLP and his continued ownership interest and roles with respect to the Highland platform as a whole, as well as the shared services agreements between HCMLP and the Adviser, the Fund will still treat HCMLP and its affiliates as the Fund's affiliates for purposes hereof.

The Adviser is not a party to HCMLP's bankruptcy filing. The Adviser is a party to a shared services arrangement with HCMLP. Under this arrangement the Adviser may utilize employees from HCMLP in connection with various services such as human resources, accounting, tax, valuation, information technology services, office space, employees, compliance and legal. The Fund does not expect HCMLP's bankruptcy filings to impact its provision of services to the Adviser at this time.

In the future, the Fund may engage the Adviser or certain of its affiliates to provide services other than those discussed above. Any arrangements would be subject to approval by the Board prior to the Adviser or its affiliates being engaged to provide services to the Fund.

*Distribution Policy.* During the transition period before our portfolio has been fully converted to its new investment strategy, we intend to try to maintain the monthly dividend. However, there can be no assurance that we will not reduce our monthly distributions during the investment strategy transition period. We anticipate distributing net capital gains, if any, recognized on the sale of assets during this transition period, either as part of our monthly distributions or at the end of the year in accordance with the requirements of subchapter M of the IRC.

*Credit Facility.* If shareholders approve the Business Change Proposal, we intend to terminate our credit facility with BNP Paribas Prime Brokerage International, Ltd. We would seek to fund such

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termination with a replacement credit facility designed for our new business as a diversified REIT. See “—Operation as a Diversified REIT—Policies and Investment Guidelines—Leverage Policies and Financing Strategy.”

*Change in Name.* We expect to change our name to “NexPoint Diversified Real Estate Trust.”

*Effects of Deregistration.* As a registered investment company, we are subject to extensive regulation under the 1940 Act. The 1940 Act, among other things,

- regulates the composition of the Board, requiring that the Fund be managed by a board of directors, at least 40% of whom are not “interested persons” of the Fund, as defined in the 1940 Act;
- requires that the Fund’s management agreement be approved by a majority of the directors who are not interested persons of the Fund both initially and on an annual basis; the 1940 Act also generally requires that the Fund’s management agreement be approved initially by the Fund’s shareholders and that any material amendments to such agreement also be approved by the Fund’s shareholders;
- provides shareholders with the right to terminate the management agreement;
- restricts the extent to which the Fund may utilize financial leverage; for every dollar of indebtedness outstanding, the Fund is required to have at least three dollars of total assets and for every dollar of preferred shares outstanding, the Fund is required to have at least two dollars of total assets);
- limits the Fund to issuing one class of indebtedness and one class of preferred shares; restricts the issuance of stock options, rights and warrants; prohibits the issuance of securities for services or for property other than cash or securities, except as a dividend or a distribution to security holders or in connection with a reorganization; restricts the sale of common shares at a price below NAV;
- imposes restrictions on the Fund’s ability to engage in transactions with affiliated persons, including trustees and officers of the Fund, the Adviser and its affiliates and other companies managed by the Adviser, unless such transactions are exempted by the SEC or a rule under the 1940 Act. These prohibitions generally apply to buying and selling securities and other property to or from affiliated persons; lending money to affiliated persons; or participating in joint transactions or profit sharing arrangements with affiliated persons;
- regulates the form, content and frequency of financial reports to shareholders;
- requires the Fund to report its assets at their fair value rather than at cost in financial reports;
- requires the Fund to file periodic reports with the SEC designed for investment companies to disclose compliance with the 1940 Act and to present other financial information;
- prohibits the Fund from changing the nature of its business or fundamental investment objectives, policies and restrictions without the prior approval of its shareholders;

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- prohibits pyramiding of investment companies and the cross ownership of securities;
- requires the Fund to maintain its securities and other investments with certain types of custodians under conditions designed to assure the safety of the Fund's assets;
- provides for the bonding of certain employees;
- requires the Fund to have a written code of ethics and compliance policies and procedures designed to prevent violations of federal securities laws and a chief compliance officer charged with administering these policies;
- regulates the manner in which repurchases of shares may be effected;
- regulates plans of reorganization, including mergers with affiliates;
- prohibits the Fund from limiting the liability of any trustee and officer for willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence or reckless regard of the duties involved in the conduct of his or her office; and
- creates a right in private persons to bring actions in Federal courts to enforce compliance with certain, limited provisions of the 1940 Act.

After we receive a Deregistration Order, we will no longer be subject to regulations under the 1940 Act. Instead, as a diversified REIT, we would be able to, among other things:

- enter into a new management agreement with the Adviser without shareholder approval or change the management agreement;
- shareholders will not have the right to require us to terminate the management agreement;
- employ both direct and structural leverage on our loan investments in amounts in excess of what the 1940 Act permits;
- issue multiple classes of indebtedness and capital stock, including multiple classes of common and preferred stock with different rights, preferences and privileges, and multiple classes of debt with varying terms, seniority and security interests;
- issue stock options, rights and warrants for services or for property in addition to cash or securities, and may sell shares at a price below net asset value;
- engage in transactions involving affiliated persons;
- change our investment restrictions and policies without shareholder approval and without being subject to any regulatory restrictions under the 1940 Act;
- maintain our securities and other investments as we believe would be appropriate without being subject to any custody restrictions under the 1940 Act; and
- amend our organizational documents in accordance with their terms to remove provisions relating to 1940 Act requirements.

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However, we would be regulated by, among other laws, the Exchange Act, which regulates, among other things:

- soliciting proxies from shareholders;
- filing interim and annual reports with the SEC, including annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and current reports on Form 8-K;
- filing securities ownership reports by directors, officers and principal shareholders; and
- restrictions on engaging in insider trading in securities, using manipulative devices in connection with certain security transactions, and making misleading statements in reports or documents filed with the SEC.

After we receive the Deregistration Order, we will continue to be managed by our Board and our officers; however, we anticipate the appointment of certain of NexPoint's real estate professionals as officers of the Fund during the transition. Additionally, as discussed below and in the proxy statement for the Fund's 2020 annual meeting of shareholders (the "Annual Meeting Proxy"), the Board has recommended the addition of Mr. Edward Constantino as a Class II Trustee of the Fund to serve for a three-year term until the 2023 annual meeting of shareholders or until his respective successor is duly elected and qualified.

The Board and the Adviser believe that the Fund would benefit from the expertise that Mr. Constantino would provide in overseeing the Fund's real estate and real estate-related investments, particularly in connection with the implementation of the Fund's conversion to a REIT pursuant to the Proposals. The Board expects that full implementation of the REIT Conversion may take up to two years and would involve, among other things, the transition of the Fund's assets to tactically fund additional real estate investments across the capital stack; therefore, the Board believes that the Fund will benefit from Mr. Constantino's knowledge, experience and oversight during the conversion process. If elected, Mr. Constantino is expected to be appointed to each of the Committees (as defined below).

Mr. Constantino, age 73, has served as a member of NexPoint Residential Trust, Inc. ("NXRT") since NXRT was spun out of the Fund in March 2015. Mr. Constantino has also served as a member of the board of NexPoint Real Estate Finance, Inc. ("NREF"), a mortgage real estate investment trust advised by an affiliate of the Adviser, since February 2020. Mr. Constantino has over 40 years of audit, advisory and tax experience working for two major accounting firms, Arthur Andersen LLP and KPMG. He retired from KPMG in late 2009, where he was an audit partner in charge of the firm's real estate and asset management businesses. Mr. Constantino is, and since 2010 has been, a member of the Board of Directors of Patriot Bank N.A. Mr. Constantino has also served as a consultant for the law firm Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP. He is a licensed CPA, a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and a member of the New York State Society of Public Accountants. He is currently a member of the Board of Trustees and the Audit Committee Chairman of St. Francis College in Brooklyn Heights, New York.

The Board will maintain substantially similar power, authority and discretion as the Board has before deregistration and be subject to the same duties under state law. Shareholders would also continue to have the benefit of the significant regulatory protections provided by the corporate governance requirements of the NYSE or another national securities exchange, including those that require that a majority of the trustees be "independent directors" (as defined under NYSE or other applicable

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exchange rules), trustee nominations and the compensation of all of our executive officers be subject to independent director approval, and that we hold an annual meeting of shareholders no later than one year after our first fiscal year following listing. In addition, consistent with the requirements of the NYSE or another national securities exchange, we intend to adopt a code of conduct and ethics applicable to all trustees, officers and employees.

Because the regulatory requirements specifically applicable to financial statements of registered investment companies would no longer be applicable to the Fund, the financial information in our financial statements after we receive the Deregistration Order will change. For example, once we are no longer an investment company, we will no longer be required to present a schedule of portfolio of investments as part of our financial statements or report investments at fair value. The Board believes that Mr. Constantino's significant experience in audit, advisory and taxation of real estate and real estate-related investments will benefit the Fund during this transition.

See Appendix B for more information on the risks associated with the Business Change Proposal.

### **Operation as a Diversified REIT**

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The following discussion assumes that, unless otherwise noted, the Business Change Proposal has been approved by shareholders and we have fully implemented the Business Change Proposal and received the Deregistration Order. See Appendix B for more information on the risks associated with the Business Change Proposal.

### **Investment Strategy**

As a diversified REIT, our primary investment objective will be to provide both current income and capital appreciation. We will seek to achieve this objective by investing among various commercial real estate property types and across the capital structure, including but not limited to: equity, mortgage debt, mezzanine debt and preferred equity. The Adviser will focus on opportunistic investments in real estate properties with a value-add component and real estate credit. The objective will be to increase the cash flow and value of our properties, acquire properties with cash flow growth potential and achieve capital appreciation for shareholders through a value-add program. The Fund will pursue real estate credit investments based on where the Adviser believes the various real estate subsectors are within the broader real estate cycle and tactically allocate among these opportunities.

Underlying property types will primarily include industrial, hospitality, net lease, retail, office, storage and healthcare and, to the extent currently owned, multifamily and single-family rentals; however, the Fund may invest without limitation in any property type. As of the date of this proxy, the Fund's real estate portfolio consists of multifamily, single-family, net lease, hospitality, retail, storage, office, and other assets.

The Fund will invest primarily in real estate and real estate related assets; however, the Fund may, to a limited extent, continue to hold, acquire or transact in certain non-real estate securities.

The Adviser and the Board believe that a diversified investment approach is appropriate for the current market environment. However, to capitalize on investment opportunities at different times in the economic and real estate investment cycle, we may change our investment strategy from time to time. The Adviser and the Board believe that the flexibility of our investment strategy and the experience

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and resources of the Adviser and its affiliates, will allow us to take advantage of changing market conditions to provide both current income and generate capital appreciation. The Board will be able to modify such strategies without the consent of the shareholders to the extent that the Board determines that such modification is in the Fund's best interest.

**Policies and Investment Guidelines**

If the Business Change Proposal is approved by shareholders, the Board will approve the Fund's operating and regulatory policies and investment guidelines. The Board currently anticipates adopting the policies and guidelines described below. The Board may, in its discretion, revise or waive such policies and guidelines from time to time in response to changes in market conditions or business opportunities without shareholder approval.

*Leverage Policies and Financing Strategy.* To increase the returns on our investments, after issuance of the Deregistration Order, we plan to employ both direct and structural leverage on our property and debt investments, which we expect generally will not exceed, on a debt to equity basis, a ratio of 3-to-1, an increase from the ratio of 1-to-2 set by the 1940 Act.

Leverage will take the form of repurchase or margin facilities collateralized by our debt investments and mortgage debt collateralized our property investments. At the REIT level we may have a revolving corporate credit facility, or may issue unsecured debt, mezzanine debt or preferred equity. We believe that the relationships the Adviser and its affiliates, as well as other companies managed by the Adviser's affiliates (the "NexPoint managed companies"), have with banks, life insurance companies, Freddie Mac and The Federal National Mortgage Association, or Fannie Mae, provide the Fund with a unique opportunity to invest alongside quality sponsors and the largest multifamily lenders in the U.S.

We intend to use leverage, to the extent available, to make additional investments that may increase our potential returns. Although we are not required to maintain any particular leverage ratio, the amount of leverage we will use for particular investments will depend upon an assessment of a variety of factors, which may include the anticipated liquidity and price volatility of our assets, the potential for losses in our portfolio, the gap between the duration of our assets and liabilities, the availability and cost of financing our assets, the health of the U.S. economy and commercial real estate markets, our outlook for the level, slope and volatility of future interest rates, the credit quality of our borrowers and tenants, the collateral values underlying our assets and our outlook for market lending spreads relative to the LIBOR (or other applicable benchmark interest rate index) curve.

*REIT Operations.* We intend to operate to ensure that we establish and maintain our qualification as a REIT for U.S. federal tax purposes and are not required to register as an investment company under the 1940 Act. We intend to regularly monitor the nature of our assets and the income they generate to ensure that at all times we maintain our tax qualification as a REIT and are not required to register as an investment company under the 1940 Act. The Board currently intends to review our transactions on a periodic basis to ensure compliance with these operating policies.

*Distribution Policy.* We intend to make monthly distributions to our shareholders of amounts that will, at a minimum, enable us to comply with the REIT provisions of the IRC that require annual distributions of at least 90% of our REIT taxable income (other than net capital gains). See Appendix C. The actual amount of such distributions will be determined on a monthly basis by the Board, taking into account, in addition to the REIT tax requirements, our cash needs, the market price for our common shares and other factors our Board considers relevant.

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*Operating Expenses.* Operating expenses may increase as the Business Change Proposal becomes fully implemented following receipt of the Deregistration Order due to increased costs associated with sourcing additional real estate investments and costs associated with servicing those investments; however, these expenses are projected to be offset by higher projected income attributable to increased cash flows from leveraged real estate assets, resulting in higher projected net income per common share (thus supporting a potentially higher distribution rate in the long term).

Following approval of the Business Change Proposal, the Adviser will continue to implement our business strategies subject to the oversight of the Board, including: (a) performing all of our day-to-day activities as a public company operating as a diversified REIT; (b) sourcing, analyzing and closing our investments; (c) arranging our financings; (d) performing our asset management functions by monitoring the performance of our borrowers and the maintenance of our collateral; and (e) when necessary, enforcing our loan and security rights.

*Policies with Respect to Certain Other Activities.* We may raise additional funds through offerings of equity or debt securities or by retaining cash flow (subject to provisions in the IRC concerning distribution requirements and the taxability of undistributed REIT taxable income) or a combination of these methods. If our Board determines to raise additional equity capital, it has the authority, without shareholder approval, to issue additional common shares or preferred shares of beneficial interest in any manner and on such terms and for such consideration as it deems appropriate, at any time.

In addition, to the extent available, we intend to borrow money to make investments that may increase our potential returns. We intend to use traditional forms of financing, including repurchase agreements, bank credit facilities (including revolving facilities and term loans), public or private debt issuances, securitizations and other sources of financing. Although we have no present intention to do so, we may also issue preferred equity which requires us to pay dividends at fixed or variable rates before we may pay distributions to our common shareholders. We expect that the Board will periodically review our investment guidelines and our portfolio and leverage strategies.

We may invest in equity or debt securities of other REITs or other entities engaged in real estate operating or financing activities, and may do so for the purpose of exercising control over such entities.

We do not intend to adopt a formal portfolio turnover policy. Subject to maintaining our qualification for taxation as a REIT under the IRC for U.S. federal income tax purposes and our exemption from registration under the 1940 Act, we currently expect that we will typically hold investments for between two and 10 years. However, in order to maximize returns and manage portfolio risk while maintaining the financial capacity to undertake attractive opportunities that become available to us, we may dispose of an asset earlier than anticipated or hold an investment longer than anticipated if we determined doing so to be appropriate based upon market conditions or other factors regarding a particular investment.

#### **Anticipated Terms of Management Agreement**

For purposes of this discussion, we assume that the Adviser will continue to be our manager although, as stated above, after receipt of the Deregistration Order we may enter into a new management agreement with an affiliate of the Adviser, who would continue to provide for the day-to-day management of our operations, subject to the oversight and direction of the Board.



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The Board anticipates that any new management agreement with the Adviser after receipt of the Deregistration Order would include the following terms, which remain subject to negotiation:

*Base Management Fee.* We anticipate that we will maintain the same fee structure that is currently in place for the Fund, subject to the following changes which are intended to reflect REIT market practice and take into consideration the Fund's deregistration from the 1940 Act. We pay the Adviser an annual fee, paid monthly, in an amount equal to 1.00% of the average weekly value of the Fund's Managed Assets. The Fund's "Managed Assets" is currently defined as an amount equal to the total assets of the Fund, including any form of leverage, minus all accrued expenses incurred in the normal course of operations, but not excluding any liabilities or obligations attributable to investment leverage obtained through (i) indebtedness of any type (including, without limitation, borrowing through a credit facility or the issuance of debt securities), (ii) the issuance of preferred stock or other preference securities, (iii) the reinvestment of collateral received for securities loaned in accordance with the Fund's investment objectives and policies, and/or (iv) any other means. Once the Deregistration Order is received, "Managed Assets" will be revised as follows:

The term "Managed Assets" means an amount equal to the total assets of the Fund, including any form of leverage, minus all accrued expenses incurred in the normal course of operations, but not excluding any liabilities or obligations attributable to ~~investment~~ leverage obtained through (i) indebtedness of any type (including, without limitation, ***borrowing to purchase or develop real estate or other investments***, borrowing through a credit facility, or the issuance of debt securities), (ii) the issuance of preferred stock or other preference securities, (iii) the reinvestment of collateral received for securities loaned in accordance with the Fund's investment objectives and policies, and/or (iv) any other means. (emphasis added)

In the event the Fund holds collateralized mortgage backed securities ("CMBS") where the Fund holds the "controlling" tranche of the securitization and is required to consolidate under GAAP all assets and liabilities of a specific CMBS trust, the consolidated assets and liabilities of the consolidated trust will be netted to calculate the allowable amount to be included as Managed Assets.

Additionally, the Adviser provides administrative services to the Fund. For its services, the Adviser receives an annual fee, payable monthly, in an amount equal to 0.20% of the average weekly value of the Fund's Managed Assets. Under a separate sub-administration agreement, the Adviser has delegated certain administrative functions to SEI Global Funds Services ("SEI").

*Expense Reimbursement.* The advisory agreement will require that the Fund reimburse the Adviser for all of its out-of-pocket expenses in performing its services, including legal, accounting, financial, due diligence, investor relations and other services performed by our Adviser (or its affiliates, acting on behalf of the Adviser for the Fund) and also pay the Fund's pro rata share of rent, telephone, utilities, office furniture, equipment, machinery and other office, internal and overhead expenses of our Adviser required for our operations ("Adviser Operating Expenses"). Adviser Operating Expenses do not include expenses for the advisory and administrative services provided under the Advisory Agreement. All expenses payable by the Fund or reimbursable to the Adviser pursuant to the agreement will not be in amounts greater than those which would be payable to outside professionals or consultants engaged to perform such services pursuant to agreements negotiated on an arm's length basis. The Adviser may, at its discretion and at any time, waive its right to reimbursement for eligible out-of-pocket expenses paid on our behalf. Once waived, these expenses are considered permanently waived and become non-recoupable in the future.

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The Adviser has agreed to a total expense cap of 1.5% of Managed Assets on the aggregate amount of the corporate operating expenses, administrative fees and management fees paid to the Adviser for the twelve-month period following the Fund's receipt of the Deregistration Order ("the Total Expense Cap").

The Total Expense Cap does not limit the reimbursement of expenses related to securities offerings and does not apply to legal, accounting, financial, due diligence and other service fees incurred in connection with mergers and acquisitions, extraordinary litigation or other events outside the Fund's ordinary course of business or any out-of-pocket acquisition or due diligence expenses incurred in connection with the acquisition or disposition of real estate assets.

**Other.** In addition to the fees and expense reimbursements payable to the Adviser under the management agreement, the Adviser and its affiliates may benefit from other fees paid to it in respect of our investments. For example, if we seek to securitize some of our property loans, the Adviser or its affiliates may act as collateral manager. In any of these or other capacities, the Adviser and its affiliates may receive fees for their services if approved by a majority of our Independent Trustees.

### Reports and Annual Meetings

We anticipate that our common shares will continue to be listed on the NYSE or another national securities exchange. We will be required to satisfy the annual and periodic reporting requirements of the Exchange Act, including filing an Annual Report on Form 10-K and Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, each of which requires the filing of financial statements and officers' certifications. Furthermore, we will be required to file a Current Report on Form 8-K whenever a reportable event occurs between the above reporting periods. Pursuant to applicable exchange rules, we will continue to hold annual meetings of shareholders.

### Trustees of the Fund

The Board is responsible for the overall management of the Fund, including supervision of the duties performed by the Adviser. The Board is currently comprised of four trustees (each, a "Trustee"). The Trustees are responsible for the Fund's overall management, including adopting the investment and other policies of the Fund, electing and replacing officers and selecting and supervising the Fund's investment adviser. The name and business address of the Trustees and officers of the Fund and their principal occupations and other affiliations during the past five years, as well as a description of committees of the Board, are set forth below.

*Committees of the Board of Trustees.* We currently have an Audit and Qualified Legal Compliance Committee, a Governance and Compliance Committee and a Distribution and Alternatives Oversight Committee (collectively, the "Committees"). The Governance and Compliance Committee is currently comprised of Dr. Froehlich and Messrs. Ward and Powell, each of whom is independent for purposes of the 1940 Act. Mr. Honis serves as an ex officio non-voting Governance and Compliance Committee member. Dr. Froehlich serves as the Chairman of the Governance and Compliance Committee. The structure of the Fund's committees may be changed in the future in order to comply with the applicable corporate governance requirements of the NYSE or other national securities exchange on which the Fund's shares are listed.

*Compensation of Trustees and Officers.* Each Trustee receives an annual retainer of \$150,000 payable in quarterly installments and allocated among each portfolio in the Funds Complex based on relative net assets. The "Funds Complex," as referred to herein consists of: the Fund, each series of Highland

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Funds I (“HFI”), each series of Highland Funds II (“HFII”), Highland Global Allocation Fund (“GAF”), Highland Income Fund (“HFRO”), NexPoint Real Estate Strategies Fund (“NRESF”) and NexPoint Capital, Inc. (the “BDC”), a closed-end management investment company that has elected to be treated as a business development company under the 1940 Act.

Trustees are reimbursed for actual out-of-pocket expenses relating to attendance at meetings, however, the Chairman of the Board and the Chairman of the Audit Committee each receive an additional payment of \$10,000 payable in quarterly installments and allocated among each portfolio in the Funds Complex based on relative net assets. The Trustees do not receive any separate compensation in connection with service on Committees or for attending Board or Committee Meetings. The Trustees do not have any pension or retirement plan. The executive officers of the Fund receive no direct remuneration from the Fund.

It is anticipated that the size and composition of our Board will change. Additionally, as discussed above and in the Annual Meeting Proxy, the Board has recommended the addition of Mr. Edward Constantino as a Class II Trustee of the Fund to serve for a three-year term until the 2023 annual meeting of shareholders or until his respective successor is duly elected and qualified. If elected, Mr. Constantino is expected to be appointed to each of the Committees.

The Board and the Adviser believe that the Fund would benefit from the expertise that Mr. Constantino would provide in overseeing the Fund’s real estate and real estate-related investments, particularly in connection with the implementation of the Fund’s conversion to a REIT pursuant to the Proposals. The Board expects that full implementation of the REIT Conversion may take up to two years and would involve, among other things, the transition of the Fund’s assets into real estate investments across the capital stack; therefore, the Board believes that the Fund will benefit from Mr. Constantino’s knowledge, experience and oversight during the REIT conversion process.

Board compensation will remain the same during the transition process. The executive officers of the Fund receive no direct remuneration from the Fund. Each Trustee receives an annual retainer of \$150,000 payable in quarterly installments and allocated among each portfolio in the Funds Complex based upon relative net assets.

The Trustees are reimbursed for actual out-of-pocket expenses relating to attendance at meetings. The Trustees do not receive any separate compensation in connection with service on Committees or for attending Board or Committee Meetings; however, the Chairman of the Board and the Chairman of the Audit Committee each receive an additional payment of \$10,000 payable in quarterly installments and allocated among each portfolio in the Funds Complex based on relative net assets. The Trustees do not have any pension or retirement plan. We expect the annual fee for Mr. Constantino to be prorated based on the Fund’s allocable portion of the annual retainer.

Additionally, the Board may in the future and subject to shareholder approval, implement a long-term incentive plan pursuant to which executive officers and Independent Trustees of the Fund are compensated.

#### **U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations of the Fund’s Conversion to a REIT**

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The Fund has elected to be treated and currently operates in a manner intended to qualify as a RIC under the IRC. Assuming we deregister as an investment company under the 1940 Act as a result of the

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Business Change Proposal, our qualification for taxation as a RIC would terminate for the Deregistration Year. As noted above, in that event, we intend to elect to be treated and to qualify for taxation as a REIT commencing with the Deregistration Year and in subsequent taxable years.

**Taxation of the Fund as a REIT**

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The law firm of Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP (“Hunton”) has acted as our tax counsel (“tax counsel”). Following the commencement of the Deregistration Year, we would expect to receive an opinion of Hunton to the effect that, commencing with the Deregistration Year, we have been organized in conformity with the requirements for qualification for taxation as a REIT under the IRC, and that our actual method of operation has enabled, and our proposed method of operation will enable, us to meet the requirements for qualification and taxation as a REIT. The opinion of tax counsel will be based on various assumptions relating to our organization and operation, and will be conditioned upon fact-based representations and covenants regarding our organization, assets, income, and the past, present and future conduct of our business operations. While, if the Business Change Proposal is approved, we intend to operate so that we will qualify for taxation as a REIT, given the highly complex nature of the rules governing REITs, the ongoing importance of factual determinations, and the possibility of future changes in our circumstances, no assurance can be given by tax counsel or by us that we will qualify for taxation as a REIT for any particular year. The opinion will be expressed as of the date issued. Tax counsel will have no obligation to advise us or our shareholders of any subsequent change in the matters stated, represented or assumed, or of any subsequent change in the applicable law. You should be aware that opinions of counsel are not binding on the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (the “IRS”), and no assurance can be given that the IRS will not challenge the conclusions set forth in such opinions.

Our qualification and taxation as a REIT will depend on our ability to meet, through actual operating results, distribution levels, and diversity of stock and asset ownership, various qualification requirements imposed upon REITs by the IRC, the compliance with which will not be reviewed by tax counsel. In addition, our ability to qualify for taxation as a REIT depends in part upon the operating results, organizational structure and entity classification for U.S. federal income tax purposes of certain affiliated entities, the status of which may not have been reviewed by tax counsel. Our ability to qualify for taxation as a REIT also requires that we satisfy specified asset tests, some of which depend upon the fair market values of assets that we own directly or indirectly. Such values may not be susceptible to a precise determination. Accordingly, no assurance can be given that the actual results of our operations for any taxable year will satisfy such requirements for qualification and taxation as a REIT.

A summary of the U.S. federal income tax consequences generally expected to be applicable to us as a diversified REIT and to an investment in our common shares from and after our conversion to a REIT is attached to this Proxy Statement as Appendix C.

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## PROPOSAL 2: AMENDMENT PROPOSAL

### Introduction

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The Board recommends that shareholders of the Fund approve the proposed Amended and Restated Agreement and Declaration of Trust (the “A&R Declaration of Trust”). The Fund’s current Declaration of Trust was adopted in 2006 and reflects the Fund’s operations as a closed-end investment management company registered under the 1940 Act. Some of the proposed amendments to the Declaration of Trust are necessary in order to implement the Business Change Proposal, to operate as a REIT and qualify for REIT tax treatment. Certain of the other proposed amendments would allow the Fund to operate more efficiently and enhance its ability to achieve the full benefit of the Business Change Proposal, as well as update the Declaration of Trust to more modern provisions for investment vehicles organized as Delaware statutory trusts (such amendments, collectively, the “Amendment Proposal”).

Shareholders are being asked to vote upon each of the Business Change Proposal and the Amendment Proposal separately; however, the effectiveness of each of the Business Change Proposal and the Amendment Proposal is conditioned and dependent upon the approval of both proposals. Accordingly, the Business Change Proposal, if approved, will only be effective if the Amendment Proposal is also approved, and the Amendment Proposal, if approved, will only be effective if the Business Change Proposal is also approved.

The following is a brief discussion of the principal changes contained in the A&R Declaration of Trust. A copy of the A&R Declaration of Trust is attached to this Proxy Statement as Appendix D and the discussion below is qualified in its entirety by reference to Appendix D, which you should read in its entirety.

### Conversion-Related Amendments

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#### *Share Ownership and Transfer Limitations*

If both the Business Change Proposal and the Amendment Proposal are approved, the A&R Declaration of Trust will include certain limits and restrictions on ownership and transferability relating to shares of beneficial interest of the Fund (“Shares”) in order to assist the Fund with complying with REIT tax requirements. The current Declaration of Trust imposes no such limits or restrictions. These limits and restrictions will be effective immediately upon approval of the Business Change Proposal and the Amendment Proposal.

The A&R Declaration of Trust would generally prohibit any shareholder from beneficially or constructively owning more than 9.8% in value or in number, whichever is more restrictive, of the outstanding Shares of any class or series. The A&R Declaration of Trust would also prohibit any person from, among other things, (1) beneficially or constructively owning Shares that would result in the Fund’s being “closely held” or otherwise cause the Fund to fail to qualify as a REIT, or (2) transferring Shares if the transfer would result in the Shares being owned by fewer than 100 persons. The current Declaration of Trust imposes no such limits or restrictions. The Board may revoke or otherwise terminate the Fund’s REIT election, without the approval of shareholders, if it determines that it is no longer in the Fund’s best interests to continue to qualify as a REIT. The Board may also

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determine that compliance with any restriction or limitation on Share ownership and transfers set forth in the A&R Declaration of Trust is no longer required for REIT qualification. These ownership and transfer restrictions will not affect any current shareholders who already own 9.8% or more of the Fund's common shares and will only affect shareholders who seek to acquire more than that percentage (including common shares they own at the time the restriction is imposed) in the future. These restrictions may, however, discourage a tender offer or other transactions or a change in the composition of the Board or control that might involve a premium price for the Shares or otherwise be in the best interests of the Fund's shareholders.

To qualify as a REIT under the IRC for any taxable year after the first taxable year for which a REIT election is made, an entity's shares must be beneficially owned by 100 or more persons during at least 335 days of a taxable year of 12 months or during a proportionate part of a shorter taxable year, and no more than 50% of the value of the outstanding shares may be owned, directly, indirectly or constructively, by five or fewer individuals (defined to include certain entities) during the second half of any such year. See Appendix C for more information on qualification as a REIT under the IRC.

In order to comply with these and other requirements, the A&R Declaration of Trust will contain restrictions on the number of Shares that a person may own. The A&R Declaration of Trust will provide that (subject to certain exceptions described below) no person may own, or be deemed to own by applying the attribution provisions of the IRC, more than 9.8% in value or in number, whichever is more restrictive, of the outstanding Shares of any class or series.

The A&R Declaration of Trust will also prohibit any person from (1) beneficially or constructively owning Shares that would result in the Fund's being "closely held," as determined under section 856(h) of the IRC, or otherwise cause the Fund to fail to qualify as a REIT and (2) transferring Shares if such transfer would result in the Shares being beneficially owned by fewer than 100 persons. Any person who acquires or attempts or intends to acquire beneficial or constructive ownership of Shares that will or may violate any of the foregoing restrictions on transferability and ownership, or who is the intended transferee of Shares that are transferred to a charitable trust (as described below), will be required to give written notice immediately to the Fund, or in the case of such a proposed or attempted transaction, give at least 15 days' prior written notice, and provide the Fund with other information it may request to determine the effect of such transfer on the Fund's status as a REIT. The foregoing restrictions on transferability and ownership will not apply if the Board determines that it is no longer in the Fund's best interests to attempt to qualify, or to continue to qualify, as a REIT.

The Board, in its sole discretion, may exempt a person from the foregoing restrictions. A person seeking an exemption must provide to the Board representations, covenants and undertakings the Board may deem appropriate to conclude that granting the exemption will not cause the Fund to lose its status as a REIT. The Board may also require a ruling from the IRS or an opinion of counsel to determine or ensure the Fund's status as a REIT.

Any attempted transfer of Shares that, if effective, would result in a violation of any of the foregoing restrictions will not be effected, and instead the number of Shares that would cause the violation (rounded to the nearest whole share) will be automatically transferred to a trust for the exclusive benefit of one or more charitable beneficiaries, and the proposed transferee will not acquire any rights in such Shares. The automatic transfer will be deemed to be effective as of the close of business on the business day (as defined in the A&R Declaration of Trust) before the date of the transfer. The A&R Declaration of Trust will provide that, if, for any reason, the transfer to the trust is ineffective, the

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purported transfer in violation of the restrictions will be void *ab initio*. Shares held in the trust will continue to be issued and outstanding Shares. The proposed transferee will not benefit economically from ownership of any Shares held in the trust and will have no rights to dividends or other distributions on, and no rights to vote or other rights attributable to, those Shares. The trustee of the trust will have all voting rights and rights to dividends or other distributions with respect to Shares held in the trust. These rights will be exercised for the exclusive benefit of the charitable beneficiary(ies). Any dividend or other distribution on Shares that is automatically transferable to the trust that is paid to the proposed transferee before the Fund's discovery of the attempted transfer will be paid by the proposed transferee to the trustee upon demand. Any such dividend or other distribution authorized but unpaid will be paid when due to the trustee, and any such dividend or other distribution paid to the trustee will be held in trust for the charitable beneficiary(ies). Subject to Delaware law, the trustee will have the authority (1) to rescind as void any vote cast by the proposed transferee before the Fund's discovery of the attempted transfer and (2) to recast the vote in accordance with the desires of the trustee acting for the benefit of the charitable beneficiary(ies). However, if the Fund has already taken irreversible corporate action, then the trustee will not have the authority to rescind and recast the vote.

Within 20 days of receiving notice from the Fund that Shares have been transferred to the trust, the trustee will sell the Shares to a person, designated by the trustee, whose ownership of the Shares will not violate the A&R Declaration of Trust's ownership limitations. Upon such sale, the interest of the charitable beneficiary(ies) in the sold Shares will terminate and the trustee will distribute the net proceeds of the sale to the proposed transferee and to the charitable beneficiary(ies) as follows. The proposed transferee will receive the lesser of (1) the price it paid for the Shares or, if it did not give value for the Shares in connection with the event causing the Shares to be held in the trust (e.g., a gift, devise or other similar transaction), the market price (as defined in the A&R Declaration of Trust) of the Shares on the day of that event and (2) the price received by the trustee from the sale or other disposition of the Shares. The trustee may reduce the amount payable to the proposed transferee by the amount of dividends and other distributions paid to the proposed transferee and owed by the proposed transferee to the trustee. Any net sale proceeds in excess of the amount payable to the proposed transferee will be paid immediately to the charitable beneficiary(ies). If, before the Fund's discovery of the attempted transfer, the Shares are sold by the proposed transferee, then (1) the Shares shall be deemed to have been sold on behalf of the trust and (2) to the extent that the proposed transferee received an amount for the Shares that exceeds the amount the proposed transferee was entitled to receive, the excess shall be paid to the trustee upon demand.

In addition, the Shares held in the trust will be deemed to have been offered for sale to the Fund, or its designee, at a price per Share equal to the lesser of (1) the price per Share in the transaction that resulted in the transfer to the trust (or, in the case of a devise or gift, the market price at the time of the devise or gift) and (2) the market price on the date the Fund, or its designee, accepts the offer. The Fund may reduce the amount payable to the proposed transferee, however, by the amount of any dividends or other distributions paid to the proposed transferee on the Shares and owed by the proposed transferee to the trustee. The Fund will have the right to accept the offer until the trustee has sold the Shares. Upon a sale to the Fund, the interest of the charitable beneficiary(ies) in the sold Shares will terminate and the trustee will distribute the net proceeds of the sale to the proposed transferee.

Each certificate, if any, representing Shares issued on or after the first day of the first year for which the Fund elects to be a REIT will bear a legend referring to the restrictions described above or will

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state that the Fund will furnish a full statement about certain transfer restrictions to a shareholder upon request and without charge. Each uncertificated Share will be deemed to bear the same legend.

Each beneficial or constructive owner of Shares shall upon demand be required to provide to the Fund information it requests, in good faith, to determine the Fund's status as a REIT and to comply with the requirements of any taxing authority or governmental authority or to determine such compliance. In addition, every owner of 5% or more (or such lower percentage as required by the IRC or the Treasury regulations promulgated thereunder) in value or in number of each class and series of outstanding Shares shall be required to provide to the Fund additional information it may request to determine the effect, if any, of the owner's beneficial ownership thereof on the Fund's status as a REIT and to ensure compliance with the ownership limitations. Each such owner also will be required to give written notice to the Fund, within 30 days after the end of each taxable year, stating the owner's name and address, the number of Shares of each class and series the owner beneficially owns and a description of the manner in which those Shares are held.

If the Board determines that it is no longer in the best interests of the Fund to continue to be qualified as a REIT, the Board may revoke or otherwise terminate the Fund's REIT election pursuant to section 856(g) of the IRC. The Board also may determine that compliance with any restriction or limitation on Share ownership and transfers set forth in the A&R Declaration of Trust is no longer required for REIT qualification.

*Eventual Removal of Provisions Related to the 1940 Act*

The Fund's existing Declaration of Trust is based on the Fund's current operation as a closed-end investment management company registered under the 1940 Act. As such, the Declaration of Trust includes certain provisions that are common to the organizational documents of companies that are registered under the 1940 Act. If the Business Change Proposal is approved, the Fund will begin the process of converting into a REIT and, once it no longer qualifies as an investment company under the 1940 Act, will apply for the Deregistration Order. Once the Fund is no longer registered under the 1940 Act, the Declaration of Trust, including certain provisions related to, or required under, the 1940 Act, would be inconsistent with the Fund's business plan to operate as a REIT and could inhibit the Fund's ability to further grow and operate successfully. In some cases, if these 1940 Act related provisions are retained, the Declaration of Trust could put us at a competitive disadvantage compared to our publicly-traded REIT peers. Additionally, there are certain voting requirements under the 1940 Act that would no longer be necessary or desirable. Accordingly, if both the Business Change Proposal and the Amendment Proposal are approved, the 1940 Act related provisions of the A&R Declaration of Trust will no longer be applicable after receipt of the Deregistration Order, which will facilitate the Fund's future operations as a REIT and more closely align our charter to those of other publicly-traded REITs.

*Supermajority Vote Required to Undo or Impede Implementation of the Business Change Proposal*

If both the Business Change Proposal and the Amendment Proposal are approved, it is the intent of the Board to respect this decision and promptly begin to implement the Business Change Proposal. Accordingly, to avoid the potential uncertainty and disruption that would be introduced by a subsequent proposal that is inconsistent with the Business Change Proposal, the A&R Declaration of Trust includes a provision that would, unless otherwise determined by the vote of at least 80% of the Board, require the affirmative vote of not less than 75% of the outstanding Shares to approve any



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action that, in the judgment of the Board, would prevent, impede or make less efficient or more costly the implementation of the Business Change Proposal, or the realization of the benefits sought thereby. The Board believes that such threshold is appropriate given the time and expense of implementing the Business Change Proposal.

### **Amendments to Enhance Board Flexibility in Managing the Trust**

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The A&R Declaration of Trust includes a number of amendments that are designed to give the Board greater flexibility in managing the Fund consistent with the Board's duty under the A&R Declaration of Trust to act in good-faith in the best interest of the Fund. The more important among these amendments are discussed below, but Shareholders should read the A&R Declaration in its entirety in order to understand the full extent of these amendments.

#### *Trustee Eligibility and Board Composition*

The A&R Declaration of Trust will allow the Board, from time to time, to establish eligibility criteria for Trustees and Trustee Nominees. In addition, the A&R Declaration of Trust will grant greater flexibility to the Board in managing the size of the Board and removing Trustees, with or without cause, without the need for shareholder approval.

#### *Shareholder Meetings*

The A&R Declaration of Trust will grant the Board greater flexibility in conducting shareholder meetings by allowing the Board to set the quorum required for conducting business higher or lower than the default standard of a majority of the Shares entitled to vote. In addition, the A&R Declaration of Trust will include certain technical amendments, such extending the amount of time that a shareholder meeting may be postponed or adjourned without needing to set a new record date. These amendments could spare the Fund and its Shareholders additional costs and expenses associated with adjourning, postponing or setting a new record date for shareholder meetings.

Additionally, the A&R Declaration of Trust will allow the Board to set the required vote for any matter, except to the extent that the A&R Declaration of Trust requires a specific vote on a matter or otherwise prohibits the Board from changing the vote required on such matter. The A&R Declaration of Trust will also reduce the Fund's voting requirements for the election of Trustees to a plurality vote, unless the Trustees establish a different voting standard.

The A&R Declaration of Trust will also provide the Board with the flexibility to disregard a vote if such vote does not comply with the requirements of applicable state or federal laws.

#### *Procedure for Amending the A&R Declaration of Trust*

The A&R Declaration of Trust will grant the Board increased flexibility to make certain additional amendments to the A&R Declaration of Trust that it believes to be in the best interest of the Fund without the need for shareholder approval as well.

Nevertheless, amendments to the following provisions would still require a shareholder vote:

- Section 5.1, which (i) provides certain limitations on the personal liability of Shareholders and Trustees and (ii) provides that satisfaction of claims is limited to Fund property;

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- Section 5.2, which provides for certain mandatory indemnification of the Fund's Trustees and officers;
- Section 10.1, which sets forth the matters on which a shareholder vote is required;
- Section 11.2(a), which requires a shareholder vote on certain transactions occurring after the Board has determined to terminate the Fund;
- Section 11.3, which sets forth the procedures and votes required to amend the A&R Declaration of Trust;
- Section 11.4, which requires a shareholder vote in the event of a merger, consolidation or sale of all or substantially all of the Fund's assets in a transaction in which the Fund is not the surviving entity;
- Section 11.6, which, for so long as the Fund is a registered investment company, requires a shareholder vote to convert the Fund to an open-end fund;
- Section 11.7, which requires a shareholder vote in connection with certain transactions with "Principal Shareholders" (as that term is defined in the A&R Declaration of Trust), including, but not limited to (i) mergers or consolidations with or into any Principal Shareholder, (ii) the issuance of securities to such persons for cash (other than pursuant to any automatic dividend reinvestment plan), (iii) the sale, lease or exchange of all or any substantial part of the assets of the Fund, except in certain circumstances and (iv) the sale, lease or exchange to the Fund or any subsidiary thereof, in exchange for securities of the Fund, of any assets of any Principal Shareholder, except in certain circumstances; and
- Any amendment that would change any rights with respect to Shares of the Fund by reducing any stated amount payable thereon in preference over all other classes or series of Shares upon the liquidation of the Fund or by eliminating any voting rights pertaining thereto.

In addition, the amendments would lower the vote required to make certain amendments to the A&R Declaration of Trust in the event that the amendment is approved by 80% of the Trustees. See Section 11.3 "Amendment Procedures" in the A&R Declaration of Trust, attached hereto as Appendix D, for a complete description of these amendment procedures.

#### *Shareholder Action by Written Consent*

The A&R Declaration of Trust would give the Board the ability to determine whether Shareholders may act by written consent. The Board concluded that there are several important arguments in support of limiting the absolute right to shareholder action by written consent, which include, but are not limited to: (i) requiring shareholder action only at a shareholder meeting increases the likelihood that the Fund and all of its Shareholders will be given an opportunity to consider carefully and respond prudently to important shareholder proposals; (ii) requiring shareholder action only at a shareholder meeting avoids untimely action in a context that might not permit Shareholders to have the full benefit of the knowledge, advice, and participation of the Fund's management and Board; and (iii) limiting these proposals to our annual meeting or duly called special meetings will reduce the time and effort our Board and management would need to devote to shareholder proposals, which time and effort could distract the Fund's management and the Board from implementing the Business Change Proposal, if approved, and other important Fund business.

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**Other Amendments**

The A&R Declaration of Trust will include amendments to remove references to the Delaware General Corporation Law (the “DGCL”) and to clarify that the Fund, as a Delaware Statutory Trust, is governed by the DSTA. In some instances, the A&R Declaration of Trust will directly incorporate relevant concepts. For example, the A&R Declaration of Trust will recite the standard of conduct for Trustees, which is consistent with the standard for most matters under Delaware corporate law. The removal of references to the DGCL could curtail certain rights of the Fund’s Shareholders that were based on the DGCL to the extent that the DSTA does not also provide similar rights. For example, (i) Shareholders will no longer have a right to vote on bringing a derivative suit against the Fund and (ii) Shareholders will no longer have a right to inspect the Fund’s books and records. In addition, the DSTA does not require the Fund to hold an annual meeting of shareholders; however, for so long as the Fund remains listed on a major stock exchange, the exchange rules will require the Fund to continue to hold a shareholder meeting each year.

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## VOTING INFORMATION

### Required Vote

**Business Change Proposal.** Under the 1940 Act, changing the Fund's business from an investment company to a diversified REIT and changing the Fund's fundamental investment restrictions requires the affirmative vote of the lesser of (a) 67% of our outstanding voting securities present at the Special Meeting, if the holders of more than 50% of our outstanding voting securities are present in person or represented by proxy, or (b) more than 50% of our outstanding voting securities. For purposes of the foregoing, shareholders will vote as a single class.

**Amendment Proposal.** Under the Declaration of Trust, the Amendment Proposal requires the affirmative vote of the lesser of (a) 67% of our outstanding voting securities present at the Special Meeting, if the holders of more than 50% of our outstanding voting securities are present in person or represented by proxy, or (b) more than 50% of our outstanding voting securities. For purposes of the foregoing, shareholders will vote as a single class.

**Shareholders are being asked to vote upon each proposal separately; however, the effectiveness of each of the Business Change Proposal and the Amendment Proposal is conditioned and dependent upon the approval of both proposals. Accordingly, the Business Change Proposal, if approved, will only be effective if the Amendment Proposal is also approved, and the Amendment Proposal, if approved, will only be effective if the Business Change Proposal is also approved.**

For more information, see “—Quorum, Abstentions and Broker Non-Votes” and “—Adjournment.”

### Record Date

Only shareholders of record at the close of business on the Record Date (June 19, 2020) will be entitled to vote at the Special Meeting. As of the Record Date, we had the following shares outstanding:

Fund	NYSE Symbol	Number of Common Shares
NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund	NHF	45,606,964

### Voting Methods

You may send in your proxy by one of the following methods:

1. If you received your proxy card(s) by mail, complete, sign and return the enclosed proxy card or voting instruction form promptly in the postage paid envelope.

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2. Call the toll-free number listed on the front of the enclosed proxy card or voting instruction form. Have your control number (located on the enclosed proxy card or voting instruction form) available for reference. The automatic system will prompt you on how to vote.
3. Log on to the website listed on the front of the enclosed proxy card or voting instruction form. Have your control number (located on the enclosed proxy card or voting instruction form) available for reference. The system will prompt you with instructions on how to vote.

If you hold shares in the name of a brokerage firm, bank, nominee or other institution, you must provide a legal proxy from that institution in order to vote your shares at the Special Meeting.

In addition, shareholders of record may vote in person at the Special Meeting. If your shares are held by a bank, broker or other nominee (that is, in “street name”), you are considered the beneficial owner of your shares and you should refer to the instructions provided by your bank, broker or nominee regarding how to vote. In addition, because a beneficial owner is not the shareholder of record, you may not vote shares held by a bank, broker or nominee in street name at the Special Meeting unless you obtain a “legal proxy” from the bank, broker or nominee that holds your shares, giving you the right to vote the shares at the Special Meeting.

## Quorum, Abstentions and Broker Non-Votes

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A quorum of shareholders is required to take action at the Special Meeting. The presence in person or by proxy of the holders of a majority of the shares of the Fund entitled to vote shall constitute a quorum for the Special Meeting. If a quorum is not present at the Special Meeting, or if a quorum is present but sufficient votes to approve either Proposal are not received, the persons named as proxies may propose one or more adjournments or postponements of the Special Meeting to permit further solicitation of proxies. Our common shares represented by valid proxies or in person will count for the purpose of determining the presence of a quorum for the Special Meeting. Votes cast by proxy or in person at the Special Meeting will be tabulated by the inspector of election appointed for the Special Meeting. Abstentions will be counted as shares present for purposes of determining whether a quorum is present at the Special Meeting, and will have the effect of a vote “against” the applicable Proposal.

We do not anticipate “broker non-votes” (i.e., shares held by brokers or nominees as to which (i) instructions have not been received from the beneficial owner or the persons entitled to vote and (ii) the broker does not have discretionary voting power on a particular matter) on the Proposals, since our understanding is that brokers do not have discretionary authority to vote on the Proposals.

## Adjournments

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The chairman of the Special Meeting may adjourn the Special Meeting from time to time to reconvene at the same or some other place, and notice need not be given of any such adjourned Special Meeting if the time and place, if any, thereof and the means of remote communications, if any, by which shareholders and proxyholders may be deemed to be present in person and vote at such adjourned Special Meeting are announced at the Special Meeting. At the adjourned Special Meeting, the Fund may transact any business which might have been transacted at the Special Meeting. If after the adjournment a new record date is fixed for the adjourned Special Meeting, notice of the adjourned Special Meeting shall be given to each shareholder of record entitled to vote at the Special Meeting and each other shareholder entitled to notice of the Special Meeting.

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## Revocation of Proxy

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Any proxies may be revoked at any time before they are exercised at the Special Meeting by timely filing with us a written notice of revocation, by timely delivering to us a duly executed proxy bearing a later date, by voting over the Internet or by telephone at a later time in the manner provided on the website indicated in the proxy card or by attending the Special Meeting and voting in person via conference call. Votes provided over the Internet, by telephone or by mail must be received by 11:59 p.m. Eastern time on August 27, 2020. If you hold shares in the name of a brokerage firm, bank, nominee or other institution, you must provide a legal proxy from that institution in order to revoke your shares at the Special Meeting. Being present in person via conference call at the Special Meeting alone does not revoke a previously executed and returned proxy.

## SOLICITATION OF PROXIES

It is expected that the solicitation of proxies will be primarily by mail and telephone. The costs of preparing, assembling and mailing material in connection with the solicitation of proxies will be borne by the Adviser. The Adviser and its personnel, and personnel of the Adviser's affiliates, as well as our Trustees and officers, may assist in the solicitation of proxies by telephone, facsimile, email or personal interview and will receive no additional compensation in connection therewith. We have retained Di Costa Partners LLC to provide shareholder meeting services, including the distribution of this proxy statement and related materials to shareholders as well as assisting the Fund in soliciting proxies for the Special Meeting at an approximate cost of \$90,000.00. These costs will be paid by the Fund.

## COMMUNICATIONS WITH TRUSTEES

Any of our shareholders or other interested party who desires to communicate with our Trustees, individually or as a group, should write to the party for whom the communication is intended, in care of the Secretary, NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund, at 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201 or by telephone at 855-498-1580. The communications will then be delivered to the appropriate persons.

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## SHAREHOLDER NOMINATIONS AND PROPOSALS

Pursuant to our Declaration of Trust and Bylaws, because the Special Meeting is a special meeting of our shareholders, only the business stated in the notice of meeting attached to this Proxy Statement shall be conducted at the Special Meeting. At this time, the Board knows of no other matter which will be brought before the Special Meeting. Please note that the annual election of Trustees will be brought before shareholders at the Annual Meeting of the Fund on July 14, 2020, at 8:00 a.m. Central Time. Shareholder proposals for our annual meetings of shareholders may be brought pursuant to Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act.

Pursuant to our Declaration of Trust and our Bylaws, shareholders may make nominations and propose other business only in connection with annual meetings of shareholders. Our Bylaws require compliance with certain procedures for a shareholder to properly make a nomination for election to the Board or to propose other Company business at an annual meeting. In order for a shareholder to properly propose a nominee for election to the Board or propose business outside of Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act, the shareholder must comply, in all respects, with the advance notice and other provisions set forth in our Bylaws, which currently include, among other things, requirements as to the shareholder's timely delivery of advance notice, ownership of at least a specified minimum amount of our common or preferred shares, if applicable, for a specified minimum period of time, record ownership and submission of specified information. If a shareholder who is eligible to do so under our Bylaws wishes to nominate a person or persons for election to the Board or propose other Company business at an annual meeting, notice of such proposal must be timely received at our principal executive offices. The notice must set forth detailed specified information about any proposed nominee, the shareholder making the nomination and affiliates and associates of that shareholder. As to any other Company business that the shareholder proposes to bring before an annual meeting, our Bylaws provide that the notice must set forth a description of such business, the reasons for proposing such business at the meeting and any material interest in such business of the shareholder, a description of all agreements, arrangements and understandings involving the shareholder in connection with the proposal of such business and a representation that the shareholder intends to appear in person or by proxy at the meeting to bring the business before the meeting.

*2020 Annual Meeting.* Shareholder proposals intended to be presented pursuant to Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act at our 2020 annual meeting of shareholders must have been received at our principal executive offices by January 28, 2020. Shareholder nominations and proposals received after January 28, 2020 will be considered untimely and therefore may be excluded from our proxy materials for our 2020 annual meeting.

*2021 Annual Meeting.* Shareholder proposals intended to be presented pursuant to Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act at our 2021 annual meeting of shareholders must be received at our principal executive offices not later than February 19, 2021 in order to be considered for inclusion in our proxy statement for our 2021 annual meeting of shareholders; provided that if we hold our 2021 annual meeting on a date that is more than 30 days before or after the first anniversary of the date of our 2020 annual meeting, shareholders must submit proposals for inclusion in our 2021 proxy statement within a reasonable time before we begin to print and send proxy materials. Under Rule 14a-8, we are not required to include shareholder proposals in the proxy materials unless conditions specified in the rule are met.

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Unless otherwise indicated, the information set forth below is as of May 31, 2020. To our knowledge, no person beneficially owned more than 5% of our outstanding common shares, except as set forth below. To our knowledge, none of our officers or Trustees owned 1% or more of our outstanding common shares, except as set forth below.

Collectively, to our knowledge, the officers and Trustees of the Fund beneficially own, as a group, in the aggregate, 2,943,168 common shares of the Fund, representing approximately 11.6% of our outstanding common shares. Unless otherwise indicated below, to our knowledge, each owner named below has sole voting and dispositive power for all shares shown to be beneficially owned by that person. Share amounts listed below do not include fractional share amounts.

<b>Title</b>	<b>Name and Address of Beneficial Owner<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership</b>	<b>Percentage of Share Class</b>
Independent Trustee	Ethan Powell	33	*
Independent Trustee	Dr. Bob Froehlich	281	*
Independent Trustee	Bryan A. Ward	27	*
Proposed REIT Trustee	Edward Constantino	0	*
Interested Trustee	John Honis <sup>2</sup>	0	*
President	Jim Dondero <sup>3</sup>	2,927,919	11.57%
Treasurer	Frank Waterhouse	422	*
Executive Vice President	Dustin Norris	12,346	*
Chief Compliance Officer	Jason Post	2,167	*

\*Less than 1%

<sup>1</sup> Except as otherwise indicated, each person has sole voting and investment power over the indicated shares.

<sup>2</sup> Effective January 28, 2020, Mr. Honis is treated as an Interested Trustee of the Fund in light of certain relationships between Mr. Honis and certain affiliates of the Adviser, including HCMLP, arising out of HCMLP's pending Chapter 11 proceedings.

<sup>3</sup> Includes shares held by Highland Capital Management, L.P. ("HCMLP"). On October 16, 2019, HCMLP filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware. The case was subsequently transferred to the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas. On January 9, 2020, the bankruptcy court approved a change of control of HCMLP, which involved the resignation of James Dondero as the sole director of, and the appointment of an independent board to, HCMLP's general partner. Mr. Dondero remains an employee of HCMLP and as portfolio manager for all funds and vehicles for which he currently holds such titles. Effective January 2020 as a result of the change of control of HCMLP, Mr. Dondero no longer serves as the President or sole director of Strand Advisors, Inc., HCMLP's general partner, and consequently, no longer has direct or indirect voting or investment control to such shares. Accordingly, Mr. Dondero no longer report beneficial ownership of shares held by HCMLP on Section 13 and Section 16 filings under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Nevertheless, given Mr. Dondero's historic role with HCMLP and his continued ownership interest and roles with respect to the Highland platform as a whole, as well as the shared services agreements between HCMLP and the Adviser, the Fund will still treat HCMLP and its affiliates as the Fund's affiliates for purposes hereof. Mr. Dondero disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein. Mr. Dondero also controls Strand Advisors XVI, Inc., which is the general partner of Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P. ("HCMFA"). Through his control of Strand Advisors XVI, Inc., Mr. Dondero may be viewed as having voting and dispositive power over the shares of the Common Stock directly owned by HCMFA or by funds that are advised by HCMFA.



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Mr. Dondero disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein. Mr. Dondero controls NexPoint Advisors GP, LLC, which is the general partner of the Adviser. Through his control of NexPoint Advisors GP, LLC, Mr. Dondero may be viewed as having voting and dispositive power over the shares of the Common Stock directly owned by the Adviser or by funds that are advised by the Adviser. Mr. Dondero disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

# HOUSEHOLDING OF MEETING MATERIALS

Some banks, brokers and other record holders may participate in the practice of “householding” proxy statements and annual reports. This means that, unless shareholders give contrary instructions, only one copy of this proxy statement may be sent to multiple shareholders of the same Fund in each household. The Adviser will promptly deliver a separate copy of either document to you, if you call or write to the Adviser at the following address or telephone number: NexPoint Advisors, L.P., 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201 or by telephone at (866) 351-4440.

If you want to receive separate copies of a proxy statement in the future, or if you are receiving multiple copies and would like to receive only one copy per household, you should contact your bank, broker or other record holder, or you may contact the Adviser at the above address or telephone number.

# OTHER MATTERS

At this time, our Board knows of no other matter which will be brought before the Special Meeting. Please note that the annual election of Trustees will be brought before shareholders at the Annual Meeting of the Fund on July 14, 2020, at 8:30 a.m. Central Time. Pursuant to our Declaration of Trust and Bylaws, only the business stated in the notice of meeting attached to this Proxy Statement shall be conducted at the Special Meeting.

By order of the Board,

LAUREN THEDFORD

*Secretary*

*NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund*

Dallas, Texas

IMPORTANT

**If your shares are held in your own name, please complete a proxy over the internet or by telephone in the manner provided on the website indicated in the proxy card that you received in the mail; you may also request, complete and return a proxy card today. If your shares are held in “street name,” you should provide instructions to your broker, bank, nominee or the other institution holding your shares on how to vote your shares. You may provide instructions to your broker, bank, nominee or other institution over the internet or by telephone if your broker, bank, nominee or other institution offers these options, or you may return a proxy card or voting instruction form to your broker, bank, nominee or other institution and contact the person responsible for your account to ensure that a proxy is voted on your behalf.**

July 10, 2020

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While NexPoint is committed to the REIT conversion, it is still contingent upon an affirmative shareholder vote, regulatory approval, and the ability to reconfigure NPF's portfolio to attain REIT status and designate as an investment company. The conversion process could take approximately 24 months, and there can be no assurance that conversion of NPF to REIT status will improve its performance or reduce the discount to NAV.

In addition, these actions may adversely affect our financial condition, position investment, results of operations, cash flow, per share trading price of our common shares and ability to satisfy debt service obligations, if any, and to make cash distributions to shareholders. Whether we remain a registered investment company or convert to a REIT, our common shares, like an investment in any other public company, are subject to investment risk, including the possible loss of your investment. For a discussion of certain other risks relating to our conversion to a REIT, see "Implementation of the Business Change Proposal and Related Risks" in the proxy statement.



# NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund REIT Transition

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

### SUMMARY

NexPoint Advisors, L.P. (“NexPoint”) proposes converting the NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund (“the Fund”) from a Closed-End Fund (“CEF”) to a Real Estate Investment Trust (“REIT”) (the “Conversion”). We believe the Conversion will better position the Fund to generate returns and maximize the value of current high-conviction themes in the portfolio. Additionally, we believe real estate has the potential to have superior risk adjusted returns compared to equity, fixed income, and distressed debt markets over the next decade. We also believe the REIT structure may provide potential to improve the Fund’s discount to NAV.

### SHAREHOLDER VOTE

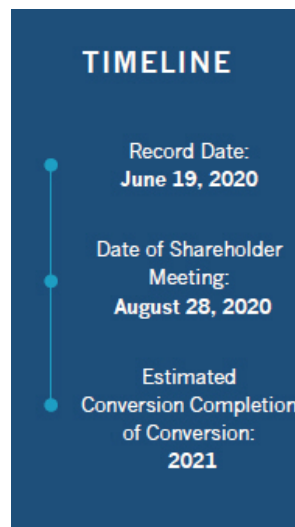
Shareholders are being asked to vote to approve the Conversion at the shareholder meeting on August 28, 2020.

### BOARD SUPPORT

The Fund’s board of trustees, together with NexPoint, believes the conversion would benefit the Fund and its shareholders.

### SHARE REPURCHASES

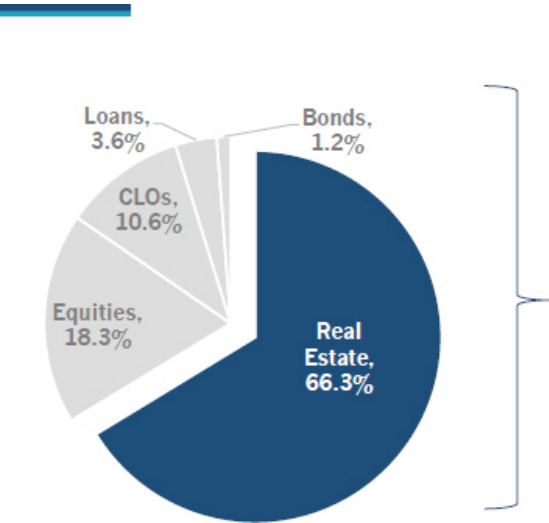
The Board has approved a repurchase program that allows for repurchases of up to 10% of the Fund’s stock over a one-year period beginning April 24, 2020.



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CURRENT REAL ESTATE HOLDINGS IN NHF

The portfolio currently has a large real estate allocation



1.35 million-square-foot, class A office building in Dallas



Self storage development platform



Provides debt and equity capital for self-storage facilities



Securitization program offering a wide-range of multifamily products



Single-family rental operator



Life Science Real Estate Development and Management Platform

As of March 31, 2020, NHF's portfolio, at any given point in time, may be comprised of some, all or none of the assets or asset classes shown. An investment in NHF is different from a direct investment in any of the assets or asset classes shown above.

# REIT SOLUTION



## POTENTIAL TO CLOSE THE DISCOUNT<sup>1</sup>

REITs have historically traded at a premium to NAV, while CEFs have traded at a discount to NAV



## LONG-TERM OUTPERFORMANCE<sup>1</sup>

Over the past 20 years REITs have generally outperformed many other major asset classes



## BETTER LIQUIDITY<sup>1</sup>

The REIT market is **6x** larger than the CEF market. The average trading volume of REITs with comparable size to NHF is 9x greater than CEFs its size



## GREATER TRANSPARENCY<sup>1</sup>

REIT management teams typically host public quarterly earnings calls and publish detailed financial results. REITs also have a dedicated following of research analysts



## INDEX INCLUSION<sup>2</sup>

REITs have high institutional ownership and often inclusion in ETFs. Real Estate is now a stand- alone sector of the S&P 500



## TAX BENEFITS

REITs can offer a 20% deduction on taxable income

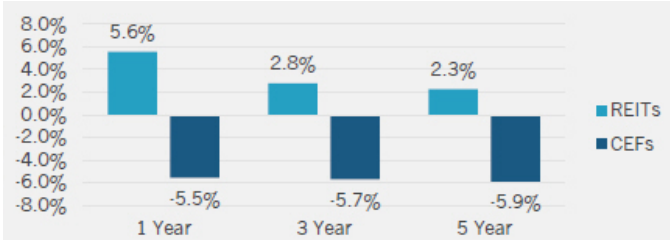
1. Sources and disclosures on Slide 5. 2. Source: NAREIT.

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THE REIT ADVANTAGE – REITS VS. CLOSED-END FUNDS

POTENTIAL TO CLOSE THE DISCOUNT

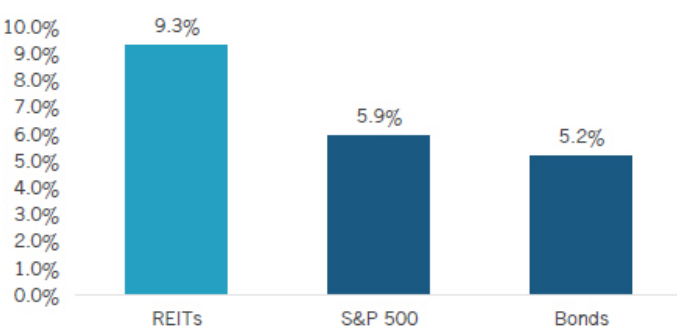
AVERAGE DISCOUNT OF REITS VS CLOSED-END FUNDS



As of May 31, 2020. REIT property type data includes apartment, industrial, office, lodging, self storage, life sciences, data centers, net lease, and single family rentals. Source: Green Street, Bloomberg. Past performance is not indicative of future results. REITs = US Listed REITs, inclusive of property types listed above. CEFs = US Listed Closed-End Funds. There is no assurance that any one REIT or one CEF will have a discount or premium that corresponds to any particular asset class average over any particular period of time. Discounts may be more pronounced or volatile in uncertain economic or market conditions.

LONG TERM OUTPERFORMANCE

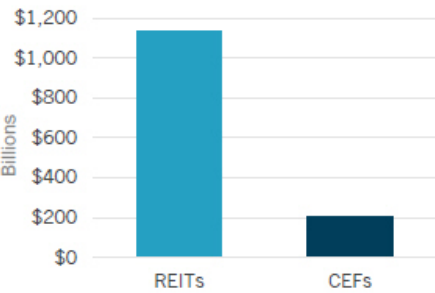
20-YEAR AVERAGE ANNUAL RETURN



As of May 31, 2020. Source: Morningstar Direct. Past performance is not indicative of future results. REITs = MSCI US REIT Index. Bonds = Barclays Aggregate Bond Index.

GREATER LIQUIDITY - 6X

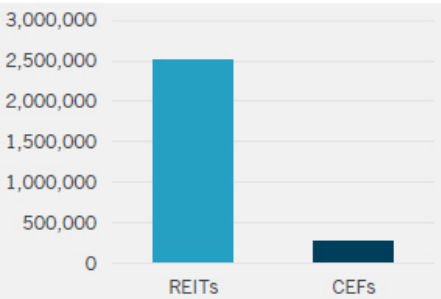
MARKET SIZE<sup>1</sup>



As of May 31, 2020. Source: Citadel

MORE LIQUIDITY – 9X

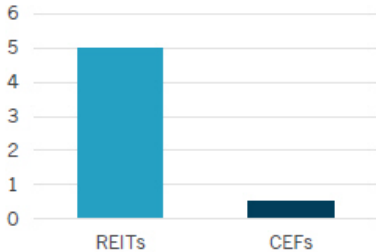
3 MONTH AVERAGE VOLUME<sup>1</sup>



As of May 31, 2020. Includes REITs and CEFs with a market cap between \$250 million to \$1 billion. Source Citadel

MORE TRANSPARENCY

AVERAGE # OF ANALYSTS PER FUND OR REIT<sup>2</sup>










Includes REITs with a market cap between \$250 million to \$1 billion. Source: Bloomberg. Per Bloomberg there is no sell side analyst coverage for CEFs. There are wealth management firms that have analysts providing research for clients that is internal use only and not publicly distributed.

1. There can be no assurance that market size or trading volume will be maintained in the future or in all market environments. Volatile market and economic environments could cause market size and trading volumes to decline, at times significantly. There can also be no assurance that any one REIT or one CEF has a market size or trading volume that corresponds to any particular average or median.  
2. There can be no assurance that any particular level of analyst coverage will be maintained or that any one REIT or one CEF will have analyst coverage that corresponds to any particular average.

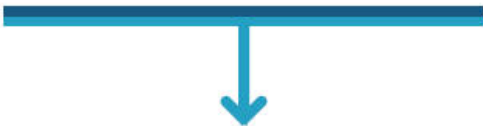
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REAL ESTATE STRATEGY

-  INDUSTRIAL
-  NET LEASE
-  RETAIL
-  OFFICE
-  SELF STORAGE
-  HEALTHCARE
-  HOSPITALITY

Strategy will be focused on value-add and opportunistic real estate

COVID-19 has caused significant volatility and dislocations in the real estate market, presenting a variety of opportunistic investment opportunities



Valuations of real estate properties and debt securities across various property sectors have **declined significantly** since the outbreak of COVID-19

New investment strategy will focus on these opportunities

There can be no assurance that assets bought at what appear to be depressed prices will increase in value or increase in value by a factor anticipated by NHF.

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# NEXPOINT REAL ESTATE TRACK RECORD

## NEXPOINT REAL ESTATE TRACK RECORD

\$9.7

BILLION

IN GROSS REAL ESTATE ACQUISITIONS

\$2.9

BILLION

REAL ESTATE ACQUISITIONS IN LAST 12 MONTHS

32

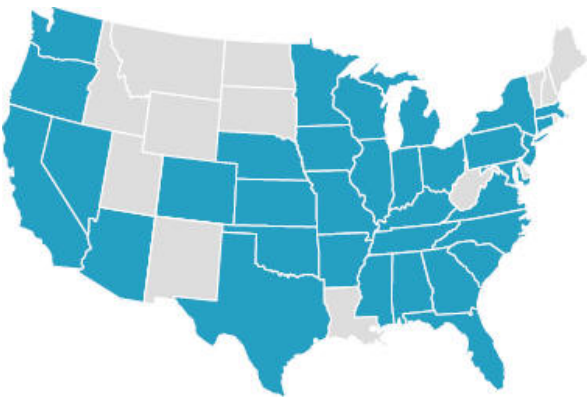
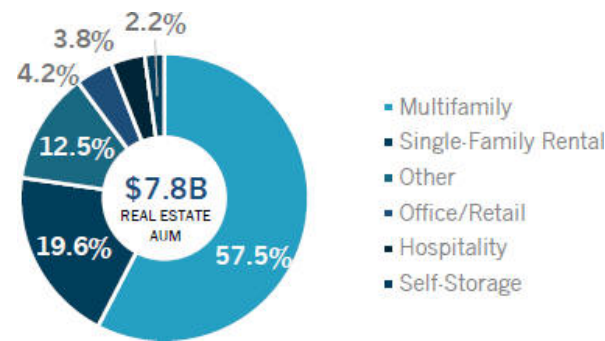
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PUBLICLY TRADED REITS

ASSET TYPE ALLOCATION<sup>1</sup>

ASSET LOCATIONS<sup>1</sup>



1.Real estate assets acquired from January 1, 2012, to March 31, 2020, inclusive of affiliates. NHF's portfolio, at any given point in time, may be comprised of some, all or none of the asset classes shown. An investment in NHF is different from a direct investment in any of the asset classes shown above.



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PUBLIC MARKET EXPERIENCE

EXPERTISE IN PUBLIC MARKETS

- Robust network of dedicated sell-side analyst relationships
- Long-standing relationships with major lending institutions
- Inclusion in several major indices, creating demand<sup>1</sup>
- Platform-dedicated institutional investor base
- Investor-focused externally managed structure

NYSE: NXRT



Value-add, workforce housing  
multifamily REIT

NYSE: NREF



Opportunistically positioned  
mortgage REIT

TSX-V: NHT.U



Hospitality REIT focused on  
select service and extended stay

1. NexPoint Residential Trust is included in the MSCI US REIT index and the S&P SmallCap 600 Index.

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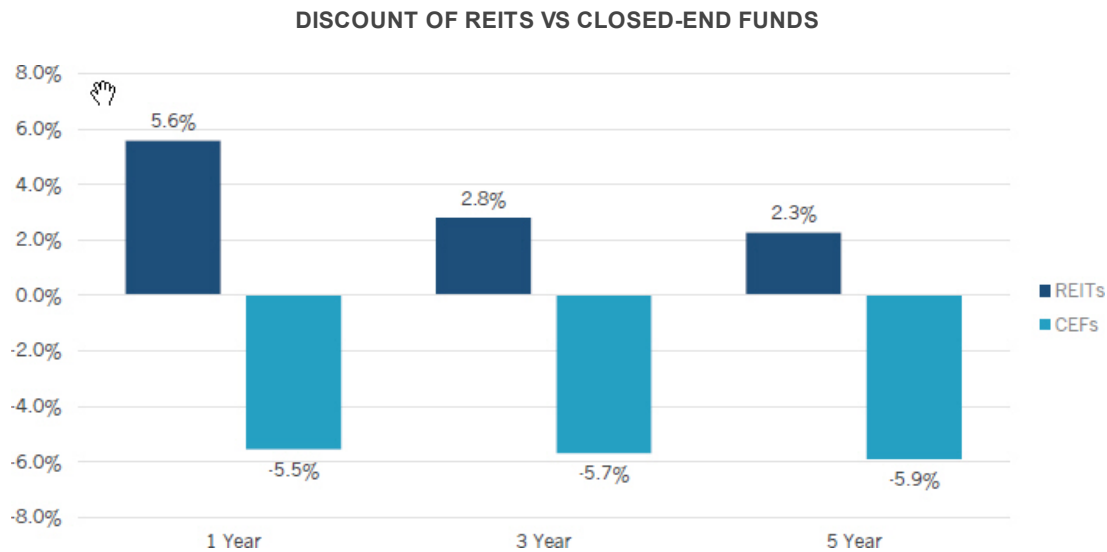
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# BENEFITS OF A REIT STRUCTURE

## POTENTIAL TO REDUCE DISCOUNT

Historically, CEFs trade at a discount to Net Asset Value

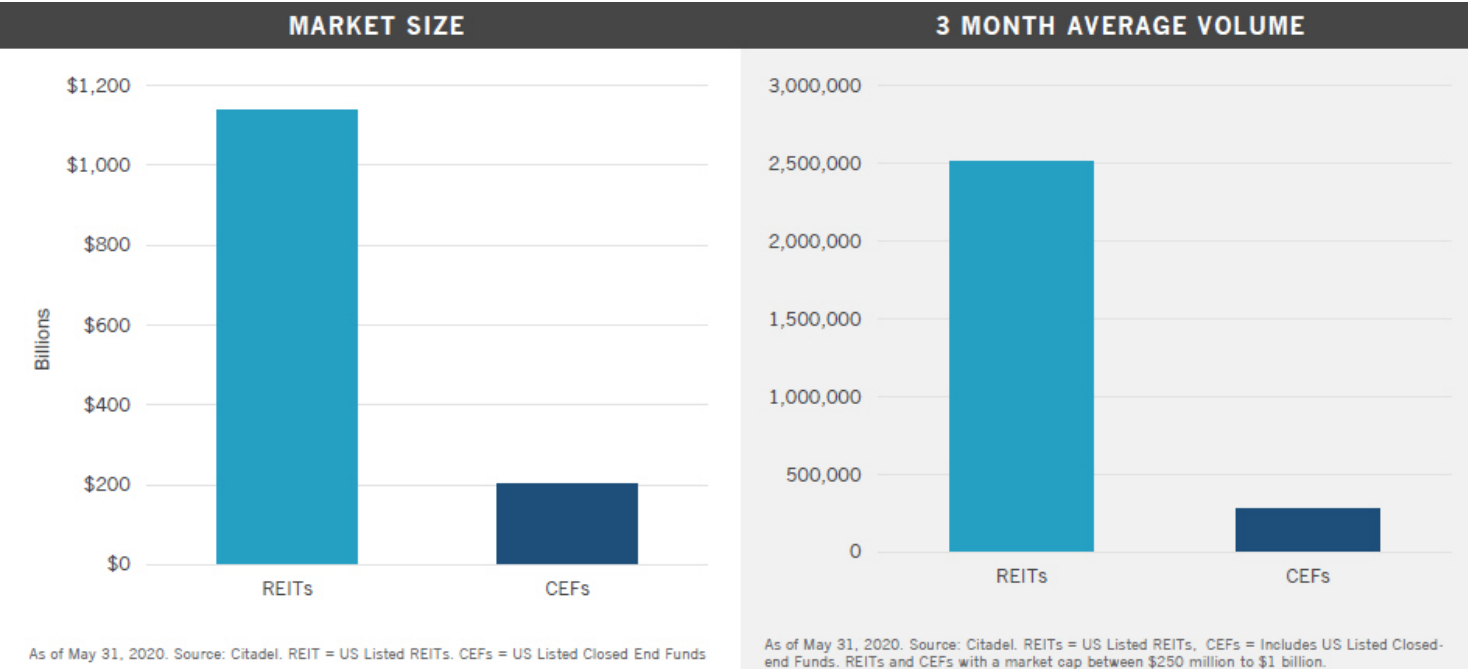


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# BENEFITS OF A REIT STRUCTURE

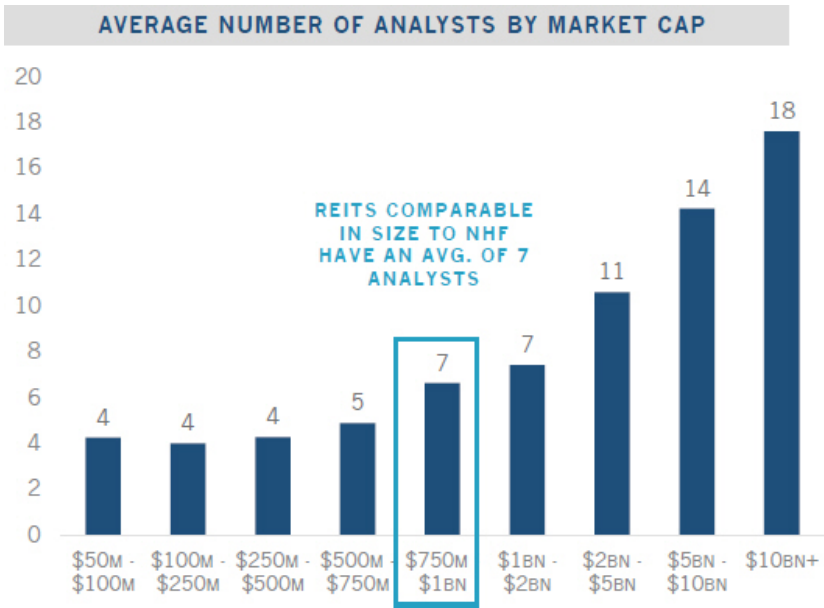
## LARGER UNIVERSE – MORE LIQUIDITY

- The REIT market is **6x** larger than the CEF market
- Public REIT shareholders have much more liquidity
- The average trading volume of REITs is **9x** greater than that of CEFs



There can be no assurance that market size or trading volume will be maintained in the future or in all market environments. Volatile market and economic environments could cause market size and trading volumes to decline, at times significantly. There can also be no assurance that any one REIT or one CEF has a market size or trading volume that corresponds to any particular average or median.

BENEFITS OF A REIT STRUCTURE



**Strong analyst coverage promotes transparency and accountability**

REITs have active analyst coverage, offering shareholders a valuable source for independent analysis and providing a level of oversight that promotes transparency

Source: Bloomberg. There can be no assurance that any particular level of analyst coverage will be maintained or that any one REIT or one CEF will have analyst coverage that corresponds to any particular average.

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## DISCLOSURES

**You should carefully consider the Fund's investment objectives, risks, fees and expenses. For a copy of the proxy statement, which contains this and other information, please visit our website at [www.nexpointadvisors.com](http://www.nexpointadvisors.com) or call 1-866-351-4440.**

This presentation contains information about prior investments made by the Adviser of the Fund. This information was prepared by the Adviser based on its experience in the industry and on assumptions of fact and opinion as to future events which the Adviser believed to be reasonable when made. There can be no assurance that the Adviser and/or the Fund will be as successful as these earlier investments. Prior investment returns are not indicative of future results. It should not be assumed that investment recommendations made in the future will be profitable or will equal the performance of the securities included herein.

Closed-end funds, unlike open-end funds, are not continuously offered. There is a one-time public offering and once issued, shares of closed-end funds are sold in the open market through a stock exchange and frequently trade at prices lower than their net asset value. Net Asset Value (NAV) is total assets less total liabilities, which includes preferred shares, divided by the number of common shares outstanding. When net asset value (NAV) is lower than market price, dividends are assumed to be reinvested at the greater of NAV or 95% of the market price. When NAV is higher, dividends are assumed to be reinvested at market price. For additional information, please contact your investment adviser or visit our website [www.nexpointadvisors.com](http://www.nexpointadvisors.com).

Past performance is no guarantee of future results. The rate of return will vary and the principal value of an investment will fluctuate and shares, if sold, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. Returns are historical and include change in share price and reinvestment of all distributions. Total investment return does not reflect broker sales charges or commissions. All performance information is for common shares of the Trust. See the proxy statement and financial statements for more information before investing.

Shares of closed-end funds frequently trade at a discount to their net asset value. Because of this possibility and the recognition that any such discount may not be in the interest of shareholders, the Board might consider from time to time engaging in open-market repurchases tender offers for shares or other programs intended to reduce the discount.

**Interest Rate Risk.** The risk that debt securities, and the Trust's net assets, may decline in value because of changes in interest rates. Generally, debt securities will decrease in value when interest rates rise and increase in value when interest rates decline.

**Credit Risk.** The risk that the Fund could lose money if the issuer or guarantor of a fixed income security, or the counterparty of a derivatives contract or repurchase agreement, is unable or unwilling (or is perceived to be unable or unwilling) to make a timely payment of principal and/or interest, or to otherwise honor its obligations.

**Leverage Risk.** Leverage may increase the risk of loss, cause fluctuations in the market value of the Fund's portfolio to have disproportionately large effects or cause the NAV of the Fund generally to decline faster than it would otherwise.

**Illiquidity Risk.** The investments made by the Trust may be very illiquid, and consequently, the Trust may not be able to sell such investments at prices that reflect the Investment Adviser's assessment of their fair value or the amount paid for such investments by the Trust.

**Industry Concentration Risk.** The Fund must invest at least 25% of the value of its total assets at the time of purchase in securities of issuers conducting their principal business activities in the real estate industry. The Fund may be subject to greater market fluctuations than a fund that does not concentrate its investments in a particular industry. Financial, economic, business, and other developments affecting issuers in the real estate industry will have a greater effect on the Fund, and if securities of the real estate industry fall out of favor, the Fund could underperform, or its NAV may be more volatile than, funds that have greater industry diversification.

**Real Estate Risk.** Real estate investments are subject to various risk factors. Generally, real estate investments could be adversely affected by a recession or general economic downturn where the properties are located. The full extent of the impact and effects of the recent outbreak of COVID-19 on the future financial performance of the Fund, and specifically, on its investments and tenants to properties held by its REIT subsidiaries, are uncertain at this time. The outbreak could have a continued adverse impact on economic and market conditions and trigger a period of global economic slowdown.

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## DISCLOSURES

You should read the proxy statement for the Conversion, which contains important information about the Fund, before deciding whether to vote, and retain it for future reference. You may request the Fund's most recent annual and semiannual reports or make shareholder inquiries by calling 1-877-665-1287 or by writing to the Fund at 200 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201.

Index returns assume reinvestment of all dividends and distributions, if any. Indices are unmanaged, have no fees or costs and are not available for investment. The performance of the indices may be materially different from the individual performance attained by a specific investor. In addition, the investors' holdings may differ significantly from the securities that comprise the indices. The indices have not been selected to represent an appropriate benchmark to compare an investor's performance, but rather are disclosed to allow for comparison of the investor's performance to that of certain well-known and widely recognized indices.

S&P 500 Index: S&P 500 Index is an index of a basket of 500 stocks designed to provide a broad snapshot of the overall U.S. equity market. Criteria for inclusion: U.S. Company, market capitalization must be in excess of US\$ 3 billion, public float of at least 50%, financial viability, adequate liquidity and reasonable price, sector balance, and company type. Ordinary cash dividends are applied on the ex-date in calculating the total return series. "Special dividends" are those dividends that are outside of the normal payment pattern established historically by the issuing corporation. The total return index series reflect both ordinary and special dividends.

Barclays US Aggregate Index. Barclays Capital Aggregate Bond Index, which used to be called the "Lehman Aggregate Bond Index," is a broad base index, maintained by Barclays Capital, which took over the index business of the now defunct Lehman Brothers, and is often used to represent investment grade bonds being traded in United States. Index funds and exchange-traded funds are available that track this bond index.

MSCI US REIT Index is a free float-adjusted market capitalization weighted index that is comprised of equity REITs that are included in the MSCI US Investable Market 2500 Index, with the exception of specialty equity REITs that do not generate a majority of their revenue and income from real estate rental and leasing operations. The index represents approximately 85% of the US REIT universe.

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## APPENDIX B: RISK FACTORS

Unless otherwise noted, the Business Change Proposal, as set forth in the proxy statement, has been approved by shareholders, we have fully implemented the Business Change Proposal and we have converted to a diversified REIT. There can be no assurance that these conditions will be satisfied. In addition, these risks may adversely affect our financial condition, yield on investment, results of operations, cash flow, per share trading price of our common shares and ability to satisfy debt service obligations, if any, and to make cash distributions to shareholders. Whether we remain a registered investment company or convert to a diversified REIT, our common shares, like an investment in any other public company, are subject to investment risk, including the possible loss of your investment. For a discussion of certain other risks relating to our conversion to a diversified REIT, see “Implementation of the Business Change Proposal and Related Risks” in the proxy statement.

### Risks related Current Market Conditions

*Events outside of our control, including widespread public health emergencies such as the novel coronavirus (“COVID-19”), may cause significant market disruptions and volatility that could negatively affect our results or ability to effectively implement the Business Change Proposal.*

Periods of market volatility may continue to occur in response to pandemics or other events outside of our control. In recent months, the novel coronavirus (“COVID-19”) pandemic has resulted in severe disruptions to global financial markets, border closings, restrictions on travel and gatherings of any measurable amount of people, “shelter in place” orders (or the equivalent) for entire cities, metropolitan areas and countries, expedited and enhanced health screenings, quarantines, cancellations, business and school closings, disruptions to employment and supply chains, reduced productivity, severely impacted customer and client activity in virtually all markets and sectors, and a virtual cessation of normal economic activity. The current economic situation and the unprecedented measures taken by state, local and national governments around the world to combat the spread of COVID-19 and its economic impacts, as well as various social, political and psychological tensions in the United States and around the world, may continue to contribute to severe market disruptions and volatility and reduced economic activity, may have long-term negative effects on the U.S. and worldwide financial markets and economy and may cause further economic uncertainties in the United States and worldwide. It is difficult to predict how long the financial markets and economic activity will continue to be impacted by these events and the Company cannot predict the effects of these or similar events in the future on the U.S. economy and securities markets. However, these events could have a significant negative impact on the Company’s performance, net asset value, liquidity, income and ability to pay distributions and service debts. Potential consequences of market disruptions and volatility arising out of the COVID-19 pandemic include, but are not limited to:

- sudden, unexpected and/or severe declines in the market price of our common stock or net asset value;
- inability of the Company to accurately or reliably value its assets;
- inability of the Company to comply with debt covenants that could prevent the Company from paying dividends to our common stockholders or result in events of default under the terms of our debt or credit facilities;
- inability of the Company to pay any dividends and distributions;
- inability of the Company to maintain its status as a REIT under the Code;
- inability of the Company to make payments on our outstanding debt as they become due;
- potentially severe, sudden and unexpected declines in the value of our assets;
- increased risk of default or bankruptcy by the companies in which we invest or by tenants of properties that we own;
- increased risk of companies or properties in which we invest being unable to weather an extended cessation of normal economic activity and thereby impairing their ability to continue functioning as a going concern or generate revenue for us;

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- reduced economic demand resulting from mass employee layoffs or furloughs in response to governmental action taken to slow the spread of COVID-19, which could impact the continued viability of the companies in which we invest or tenants of properties that we own;
- companies or properties in which we invest being disproportionately impacted by governmental action aimed at slowing the spread of COVID-19;
- limited availability of new investment opportunities;
- inability of the Company to realign its portfolio without being required to sell assets at inopportune times or in distressed situations; and
- general threats to the Company's ability to continue operations.

**It is virtually impossible to determine the ultimate impact of COVID-19 at this time. Accordingly, the ultimate implementation of the Business Change Proposal is subject to a wide range of risks that may adversely affect the Company and delay or significantly impair the Company's ability to implement the Business Change Proposal.**

**Risk related to the Fund's Concentration in Real Estate Securities.** The Fund's investments will be significantly impacted by the performance of the real estate market and may experience more volatility and be exposed to greater risk than a more diversified portfolio. The values of companies engaged in the real estate industry are affected by: (i) changes in general economic and market conditions; (ii) changes in the value of real estate properties; (iii) risks related to local economic conditions, overbuilding and increased competition; (iv) increases in property taxes and operating expenses; (v) changes in zoning laws; (vi) casualty and condemnation losses; (vii) variations in rental income, neighborhood values or the appeal of property to tenants; (viii) the availability of financing and (ix) changes in interest rates and leverage.

The COVID-19 pandemic and governmental responses thereto have severely negatively affected the real estate industry in general. The imposition of "shelter-in-place" orders for certain businesses have led to a dramatic reduction in demand for office and retail space. As many businesses have been required to operate through remote working programs, their current need for office space has been significantly reduced. Other businesses, including restaurants, entertainment venues and retail businesses, have been prohibited from keeping their doors open to customers and required to limit services to takeout, delivery and e-commerce. Such prohibitions have limited demand for retail space. Although a majority of states have announced plans to permit a phased re-opening of businesses in certain sectors, and we expect that social distancing requirements may require such businesses to use more space in the near term to perform existing functions, public health concerns about large gatherings and use of public spaces and the impact of working remotely and on-line purchasing may lead to a reduction in corporate and retail space requirements in the long term, resulting in reduced construction and higher vacancy rates, as well as bankruptcies and insolvencies of our clients and counterparties, higher foreclosure rates and declines in real estate values and transaction volumes. Accordingly, there can be no assurance as to when or if such changes in restrictions will result in a resumption of prior levels of office and retail space use.

Reductions in demand for real estate may result in fewer acquisitions of commercial properties and reduced levels of new lease activity and long-term renewals, each of which could negatively impact the value of our real estate investments. Limited availability of debt financing has led to reduction in capital market activity and valuation and advisory services. Non-payment of rent by commercial tenants, whether as a result of increased unemployment or federal and state government mandates providing rent relief, may reduce the cash flow of commercial real estate borrowers, resulting in higher rates of default on our receivables. Accordingly, the reduction in demand for commercial real estate space may have a material adverse effect, on the Fund's business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects, and could negate the anticipated benefits from the implementation of the Business Change Proposal.

Additionally, government restrictions on foreclosures may lead to higher rates of default or forbearance. The increase in defaults and forbearance may lead to reduced demand for new loan origination and servicing by

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REITs and other entities in which we invest. These entities may also be required to advance payments owed by borrowers under Fannie Mae and FHA/HUD loans whose loans are permitted under government regulations to enter into forbearance. There can be no assurance that the REITs and other entities in which we invest will be able to enter into financing arrangements to provide funding for potential forbearance advances or that such arrangements will be enough to cover these potential advances.

A decline in economic conditions may also lead to constraints on capital and liquidity, a higher cost of capital, and possible change or downgrades to our credit ratings, and additional restructuring charges. Although the federal government has taken many actions to provide liquidity to businesses and the financial markets, including loan programs for businesses in certain sectors or meeting certain criteria, these programs have experienced greater demand than funds available and have had strict eligibility requirements.

The full extent of the impact and effects of the recent outbreak of COVID-19 on the future financial performance of the Fund, and specifically, on its investments and tenants to properties held by the REIT Subsidiary, are uncertain at this time. The impact will depend on future developments, including, among other factors, the duration and spread of the outbreak along with related travel advisories and restrictions, the recovery time of the disrupted supply chains, the consequential staff shortages, the production delays, and the uncertainty with respect to the accessibility of additional liquidity or the capital markets. The outbreak could have a continued adverse impact on economic and market conditions and trigger a period of global economic slowdown. The rapid development and fluidity of this situation precludes any prediction as to the ultimate adverse impact of COVID-19. The federal government has enacted various forms of aid to the industries negatively affected by the virus, but we cannot be certain that such aid will help mitigate the material reduction in revenue we may experience.

#### **Risks Related to Our Conversion to a Diversified REIT**

*Any delay in receiving the Deregistration Order may delay our ability to operate like a typical REIT not subject to the 1940 Act.*

If the Business Change Proposal is approved by shareholders, we will apply to the SEC for a Deregistration Order, but the timing for receiving the Deregistration Order is uncertain. Until the SEC issues a Deregistration Order, we will continue to be registered as an investment company and will continue to be regulated under the 1940 Act. Pending the SEC's issuance of the Deregistration Order, we intend to begin realigning our portfolio consistent with our new business as a diversified REIT. We anticipate that the implementation period may last approximately two years, with full implementation not projected until approximately the middle of 2022. We intend to seek to qualify as a REIT for tax purposes for the taxable year beginning January 1, 2021, which, among other requirements, will require that we transition our assets into a REIT-compliant portfolio no later than March 31, 2021, the first date on which we must satisfy the quarterly REIT asset tests, and that we limit the income from nonqualifying investments in a way that permits us to satisfy the annual REIT income tests. However, our ability to apply for the Deregistration Order may be delayed if we are unable to transition assets of the Fund sufficient to satisfy such requirements or any other requirement to qualify as REIT for such year. The foregoing time period is an estimate and may vary depending upon the length of the deregistration process with the SEC, tax considerations and the pace at which we will be able to transition certain of the Fund's investments into real estate, mortgages secured by real estate or other qualifying assets. Any delay in receiving the Deregistration Order beyond the projected two-year implementation period may delay our ability to operate like a typical REIT not subject to the 1940 Act and would delay our ability to realize the benefits we anticipate to realize from becoming a diversified REIT.

*During the implementation period, we will be required to transition a material portion of our assets to ensure a REIT-compliant portfolio.*

During the implementation period, we will be required to transition a material portion of our assets to ensure a REIT-compliant portfolio sufficient to qualify as a REIT for tax purpose. During the transition period and before

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our portfolio has been fully converted to its new investment strategy, we may experience a reduction in income and we expect our cash flow from earnings and the status and availability of capital gains we realize from our portfolio to decline during our transition to a diversified REIT. This decline could result from the rotation out of existing investments, the need to establish new revenue streams, the potential for holding assets in temporary investments with lower yields and the availability or unavailability of realized capital gains to distribute, among other potential variables.

***Pursuant to the Business Change Proposal, we expect to sell assets we own in transactions that may be taxable.***

If the Business Change Proposal is approved and we convert to a diversified REIT, we expect to sell approximately 25% of the assets that we own in taxable transactions. Pursuant to RIC and REIT tax laws, any taxable income or gains recognized on such sales would generally need to be distributed to our shareholders in the year recognized, and any such distributions would generally be taxable to shareholders when received.

***Our failure to qualify for taxation as a REIT would cause our common shares to be delisted from the NYSE.***

Following our conversion to a diversified REIT, the NYSE will require, as a condition to the continued listing of our shares, that we maintain our qualification for taxation as a REIT. Consequently, if we fail to maintain our qualification for taxation as a REIT, our shares would promptly be delisted from the NYSE, which would decrease the trading activity of such shares. This could make it difficult for our shareholders to sell their shares and would likely cause the market volume of the shares trading to decline.

If we are delisted as a result of failing to maintain our qualification for taxation as a REIT and desire to relist our shares on the NYSE or another national stock exchange, we would have to reapply to the NYSE or such other exchange to be listed as a domestic corporation. We might not be able to satisfy the NYSE's listing standards for a domestic corporation. As a result, if we are delisted from the NYSE, we might not be able to relist on the NYSE or another national stock exchange as a domestic corporation, in which case our shares could not trade on such stock exchange.

**Risks Related to Our Company**

***We may not be able to achieve our investment objective.***

Our ability to achieve our investment objectives depends on our ability to make investments that generate attractive, risk adjusted returns, as well as on our access to financing on terms that permit us to realize net interest income from our investments. In general, the availability of favorable investment opportunities will be affected by the level and volatility of interest rates in the market generally, the availability of adequate short- and long-term real estate financing and the competition for investment opportunities. We cannot be sure that we will be successful in obtaining additional capital to enable us to make new investments, that any investments we make will satisfy our targeted rate of return or other investment objectives or that we will be able to successfully operate our business, or implement our operating policies and investment strategies. If we fail to make a meaningful number of target investments within a reasonable time or on acceptable terms, such failure may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, ability to maintain our qualification for taxation as a REIT under the IRC, and ability to make or sustain distributions to our shareholders, and could cause the value of our securities to decline.

***Changes in laws or regulations could increase competition for debt financing or require changes to our business practices and adversely affect us.***

Various laws and regulations currently exist that restrict the investment activities of banks and certain other financial institutions but would not apply to us. We believe this regulatory difference may create opportunities

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for us to successfully grow our business. However, recent and possible future changes in financial regulations and enforcement under the current U.S. presidential administration could decrease the current restrictions on banks and other financial institutions, which may allow them to compete more effectively with us for investment opportunities.

The laws and regulations governing our operations, as well as their interpretation, may change from time to time, and new laws and regulations may be enacted. Such changes or new laws or regulations could require changes to certain of our business practices, negatively impact our operations, impose additional costs on us or otherwise adversely affect our business. There has been increasing commentary amongst regulators and intergovernmental institutions on the role of nonbank institutions in providing credit and, particularly, so-called “shadow banking,” a term generally taken to refer to credit intermediation involving entities and activities outside the regulated banking system. For example, in August 2013, the Financial Stability Board issued a policy framework for strengthening oversight and regulation of shadow banking entities. That report outlined initial steps to define the scope of the shadow banking system and proposed governing principles for a regulatory framework. A number of other regulators and international organizations are studying the shadow banking system. At this time, it is too early to assess whether any new rules or regulations will be adopted or what impact such rules or regulations will have on us, if any. In an extreme eventuality, it is possible that such regulations could cause us to cease operations.

***Our operating and investment guidelines, investment and financing strategies and leverage and hedging policies may be changed without shareholder approval.***

The Adviser will be authorized to follow broad operating and investment guidelines. These guidelines, as well as our investment and financing strategies, leverage and hedging policies with respect to investments, originations, acquisitions, operations, indebtedness, capitalization and distributions, may be changed at any time without the approval of our shareholders. Changes in our investment strategies may increase our exposure to interest rate risks, default risks and real estate market fluctuations. Such changes could result in the types of investments we make being different from those described in “Business Change Proposal—Operation as a Diversified REIT.” These changes could adversely affect our financial condition, results of operations, the market price of our common shares and our ability to make distributions to our shareholders.

***Any material failure, inadequacy, interruption or security failure of the information technology networks and systems on which we rely could materially and adversely affect us.***

The Adviser relies on information technology and systems, including the Internet and cloud-based infrastructures, commercially available software and their internally developed applications, to process, transmit, store and safeguard information and to manage or support a variety of their business processes, including financial transactions and maintenance of records, which may include personal identifying information of employees and investment data. If the Adviser experiences material security or other failures, inadequacies or interruptions of their information technology, they could incur material costs and losses, and our operations could be disrupted as a result. Further, third-party vendors could experience similar events with respect to their information technology and systems that impact the products and services they provide to the Adviser or the Fund. The Adviser relies on commercially available systems, software, tools and monitoring, as well as their internally developed applications and internal procedures and personnel, to provide security for processing, transmitting, storing and safeguarding confidential borrower and vendor information, such as personally identifiable information related to their employees, guarantors, tenants and others and information regarding their and our financial accounts. The Adviser takes various actions, and incur significant costs, to maintain and protect the operation and security of its information technology and systems, including the data maintained in those systems. However, it is possible that these measures will not prevent the systems’ improper functioning or a compromise in security, such as in the event of a cyberattack or the improper disclosure of personally identifiable information.

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Security breaches, computer viruses, attacks by hackers, online fraud schemes and similar breaches can create significant system disruptions, shutdowns, fraudulent transfer of assets or unauthorized disclosure of confidential information. The cybersecurity risks to the Adviser, the Fund and third-party vendors are heightened by, among other things, the evolving nature of the threats faced, advances in computer capabilities, new discoveries in the field of cryptography and new and increasingly sophisticated methods used to perpetuate illegal or fraudulent activities against the Adviser, including cyberattacks, email or wire fraud and other attacks exploiting security vulnerabilities in the Adviser's or other third parties' information technology networks and systems or operations. Any failure to maintain the security, proper function and availability of the Adviser's information technology and systems, or certain third-party vendors' failure to similarly protect their information technology and systems that are relevant to the Adviser's or the Fund's operations, or to safeguard the Adviser's or the Fund's business processes, assets and information could result in financial losses, interrupt the Adviser's operations, damage the Adviser's reputations, cause Adviser to be in default of material contracts and subject the Adviser to liability claims or regulatory penalties, any of which could materially and adversely affect our business and the value of our securities.

***Our business could be adversely impacted if there are deficiencies in our disclosure controls and procedures or our internal control over financial reporting.***

The design and effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures and our internal control over financial reporting may not prevent all errors, misstatements or misrepresentations. While management will continue to review the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures and our internal control over financial reporting, we cannot guarantee that our disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting will be effective in accomplishing all control objectives all of the time. Deficiencies, including any material weaknesses, in our disclosure controls and procedures or internal control over financial reporting could result in misstatements of our results of operations or our financial statements or could otherwise materially and adversely affect our business, reputation, results of operations, financial condition or liquidity.

[During Fund management's evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Fund's disclosure controls and procedures in connection with the Fund's annual report for the fiscal year-ended December 31, 2019, the principal executive officer and principal financial officer concluded that the Fund's disclosure controls and procedures were not effective due to a material weakness for the Fund relating to the application of ASC 820 with respect to the selection and validation of fair value methodologies which are monitored by the Valuation Committee through the operation of a review control. This control was not designed to ensure the appropriateness of the methodologies employed and fair value determinations reached for certain real estate-related holdings. A material weakness (as defined in Rule 12b-2 under the Exchange Act) is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over financial reporting such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Fund's annual or interim financial statements will not be prevented or detected on a timely basis. While this material weakness did not result in material pricing errors related to any hard-to-value securities held by the Fund during the reporting period, it could have resulted in a misstatement to the investment balances or disclosures that would have resulted in a material misstatement to the annual or interim financial statements that would not be prevented or detected.

Management has developed a plan to remediate the material weakness described above. Management utilizes one or more independent valuation experts as part of its existing valuation process. Management will undertake the addition of a review control by designating a member of the Valuation Committee to monitor and report to the Valuation Committee to ensure that for significant real estate-related holdings, a) the valuation methodology employed is confirmed by an independent valuation expert at least annually and b) for independently obtained valuations of real estate-related holdings, fair values for such holdings are materially validated through one or more other valuation techniques that are acceptable under ASC 820.]

[Table of Contents](#)**Risks Related to Our Business**

*Unfavorable market and economic conditions in the United States and globally and in the specific markets or submarkets where our properties are located could adversely affect occupancy levels, rental rates, rent collections, operating expenses and the overall market value of our assets, and impair our ability to sell, recapitalize or refinance our assets.*

Unfavorable market conditions in the areas in which we operate and unfavorable economic conditions in the United States and globally may significantly affect our occupancy levels, our rental rates, rent collections, operating expenses, the market value of our properties and our ability to strategically acquire, dispose, recapitalize or refinance our multifamily properties on economically favorable terms or at all. Our ability to lease our properties at favorable rates is adversely affected by increases in supply of multifamily communities in our markets and is dependent upon overall economic conditions, which are adversely affected by, among other things, job losses and unemployment levels, a recession, personal debt levels, a downturn in the housing market, stock market volatility and uncertainty about the future. Some of our major expenses, including debt service and real estate taxes, generally do not decline when related rents decline. We expect that any declines in our occupancy levels, rental revenues and/or the values of our multifamily properties would cause us to have less cash available to pay our indebtedness, fund necessary capital expenditures and to make distributions to our stockholders, which could negatively affect our financial condition and the market value of our assets. Factors that may affect our occupancy levels, our revenues, our NOI and/or the value of our properties include the following, among others:

- downturns in global, national, regional and local economic conditions;
- declines in the financial condition of our residents, which may make it more difficult for us to collect rents from these residents;
- the inability or unwillingness of our residents to pay rent increases;
- a decline in household formation;
- a decline in employment or lack of employment growth;
- an oversupply of, or a reduced demand for, apartment homes;
- changes in market rental rates in our core markets;
- our ability to renew leases or re-lease space on favorable terms;
- the timing and costs associated with property improvements, repairs and renovations;
- declines in mortgage interest rates, making home and condominium ownership more affordable;
- changes in home loan lending practices, including the easing of credit underwriting standards, increasing the availability of home loans and thereby reducing demand for apartment homes;
- government or builder incentives which enable first-time homebuyers to put little or no money down, making alternative housing options more attractive;
- rent control or rent stabilization laws, or other laws regulating housing, that could prevent us from raising rents to offset increases in operating costs; and
- economic conditions that could cause an increase in our operating expenses, such as increases in property taxes (particularly as a result of increased local, state and national government budget deficits and debt and potentially reduced federal aid to state and local governments), utilities, insurance, compensation of on-site associates and routine maintenance.

***We are subject to risks inherent in ownership of real estate.***

Real estate cash flows and values are affected by a number of factors, including competition from other available properties and the ability to provide adequate property maintenance and insurance and to control operating costs. Real estate cash flows and values are also affected by such factors as government regulations (including zoning, usage and tax laws) limitations on rent and rent increases, interest rate levels, the availability of financing, property tax rates, utility expenses, potential liability under environmental and other laws and changes in environmental and other laws.

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***We are exposed to risks associated with real estate development and redevelopment, such as unanticipated expenses, delays and other contingencies, any of which could have a material adverse effect on us.***

Real estate development and redevelopment activities are a critical element of our business strategy, and we expect to engage in such activities with respect to several of our properties and with properties that we may acquire in the future. To the extent that we do so, we will be subject to risks, including, without limitation:

- construction or redevelopment costs of a project may exceed original estimates, possibly making the project less profitable than originally estimated, or unprofitable;
- time required to complete the construction or redevelopment of a project or to lease-up the completed project may be greater than originally anticipated, thereby adversely affecting our cash flow and liquidity;
- contractor, subcontractor and supplier disputes, strikes, labor disputes, weather conditions or supply disruptions;
- failure to achieve expected occupancy and/or rent levels within the projected time frame, if at all;
- delays with respect to obtaining, or the inability to obtain, necessary zoning, occupancy, land use and other governmental permits, and changes in zoning and land use laws;
- occupancy rates and rents of a completed project may not be sufficient to make the project profitable;
- incurrence of design, permitting and other development costs for opportunities that we ultimately abandon;
- the ability of prospective real estate venture partners or buyers of our properties to obtain financing; and
- the availability and pricing of financing to fund our development activities on favorable terms or at all.

Furthermore, if we develop assets in new markets or asset classes where we do not have the same level of market knowledge or experience as with our current markets and asset classes, then we may experience weaker than anticipated performance. These risks could result in substantial unanticipated delays or expenses and, under certain circumstances, could prevent the initiation or the completion of development or redevelopment activities, any of which could have a material adverse effect on us.

***We may fail to consummate future property acquisitions, and we may not be able to find suitable alternative investment opportunities.***

When acquiring properties in the future, we may be subject to various closing conditions, and there can be no assurance that we can satisfy these conditions or that the acquisitions will close. If we fail to consummate future acquisitions, there can be no assurance that we will be able to find suitable alternative investment opportunities.

***Acquisitions may not yield anticipated results, which could negatively affect our financial condition and results of operations.***

We intend to actively acquire multifamily properties for rental operations as market conditions, including access to the debt and equity markets, dictate. We may also acquire multifamily properties that are unoccupied or in the early stages of lease-up. We may be unable to lease-up these multifamily properties on schedule, resulting in decreases in expected rental revenues and/or lower yields as the result of lower occupancy and rental rates as well as higher than expected concessions. We may underestimate the costs necessary to bring an acquired property up to standards established for its intended market position or to complete a development project. We may be unable to integrate the existing operations of newly acquired multifamily properties and over time such communities may not perform as well as existing communities or as we initially anticipated in terms of occupancy and/or rental rates. Additionally, we expect that other major real estate investors with significant capital will compete with us for attractive investment opportunities or may also develop properties in markets where we focus our development efforts. This competition may increase acquisition costs for multifamily properties. We may not be in a position or have the opportunity in the future to make suitable property acquisitions on favorable terms.

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***We may be subject to contingent or unknown liabilities related to properties or business that we have acquired or may acquire for which we may have limited or no recourse against the sellers.***

The properties or businesses that we have acquired or may acquire, may be subject to unknown or contingent liabilities for which we have limited or no recourse against the sellers. Unknown liabilities might include liabilities for, among other things, cleanup or remediation of undisclosed environmental conditions, liabilities under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”), claims of residents, vendors or other persons dealing with the entities prior to the acquisition of such property, tax liabilities, and accrued but unpaid liabilities whether incurred in the ordinary course of business or otherwise. Because many liabilities, including tax liabilities, may not be identified within the applicable contractual indemnification period, we may have no recourse against any of the owners from whom we acquire such properties for these liabilities. The existence of such liabilities could significantly and adversely affect the value of the property subject to such liability. As a result, if a liability were asserted against us based on ownership of any of such properties, then we might have to pay substantial sums to settle it, which could adversely affect our cash flows.

***We will operate in a highly competitive market for investment opportunities and competition may limit our ability to acquire our target investments on attractive terms and could also affect the pricing of these investment opportunities.***

We will operate in a highly competitive market for investment opportunities. Our profitability will depend, in large part, on our ability to acquire our target investments on attractive terms. In acquiring our investments, we will compete with a variety of institutional investors, including other REITs, specialty finance companies, public and private funds (including funds or investors that the Adviser and its subsidiaries may sponsor, advise or manage), banks, and insurance companies and other financial institutions. Some of our competitors, including other REITs and alternative real estate lenders, have recently raised, or are expected to raise, significant amounts of capital, and may have investment objectives that overlap with our investment objectives, which may create additional competition for lending and other investment opportunities. Many of our competitors are significantly larger than we are and have considerably greater financial, technical, marketing and other resources than we have. Many of our competitors are not subject to the operating constraints associated with REIT tax or SEC reporting compliance or maintenance of an exemption from registration as an investment company under the 1940 Act. Some of our competitors may have a lower cost of capital and access to funding sources that may not be available to us, such as the U.S. Government, or are only available to us on substantially less attractive terms. In addition, some of our competitors may have higher risk tolerances or make different risk assessments than us, which could lead them to consider a wider variety of investments, offer more attractive pricing or other terms than us, for example, higher LTV ratios or lower interest rates than we are willing to offer or accept, or establish more relationships than us. In addition, recent and possible future changes in financial regulations and enforcement under the current U.S. presidential administration could decrease the current restrictions on banks and other financial institutions. If this occurs, these banks and financial institutions may increase or commence their pursuit of investments that are within our target investments either because they would no longer be restricted in making these investments or because the regulatory burdens resulting from these investments would be removed or significantly reduced. Furthermore, competition for our target investments may lead to the price for these investments increasing, which may further limit our ability to generate desired returns. The competitive pressures we will face may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations, and we cannot be sure that we will be able to identify and acquire our target investments.

***The anticipated lack of liquidity of certain of our investments may adversely affect our business.***

The anticipated lack of liquidity of certain of our investments may make it difficult for us to sell such investments if the need or desire arises. Certain investments such as real property, mortgages, B-Notes, mezzanine and other loans (including most loan participations) and preferred equity, in particular, are relatively illiquid investments due to their short life, their potential unsuitability for securitization and the difficulty of recovery in the event of a borrower's default. In addition, we anticipate that certain of our investments may



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become less liquid after we have made them as a result of delinquencies or defaults, turbulent market conditions or the unavailability to borrowers of refinancing capital, which may make it more difficult for us to dispose of such investments at advantageous prices or in a timely manner. Moreover, many of the loans and securities we will invest in are not registered under relevant securities laws, resulting in limitations or prohibitions against their transfer, sale, pledge or disposition except in transactions that are exempt from registration requirements or are otherwise in accordance with such laws. As a result, many of our investments are expected to be illiquid, and if we are required to liquidate all or a portion of our portfolio quickly, we may realize significantly less than the value at which we have previously recorded our investments. Further, we may face other restrictions on our ability to liquidate an investment to the extent that we or the Adviser has or could be attributed as having material, non-public information regarding the borrower entity. As a result, our ability to adjust our portfolio in response to changes in economic and other conditions may be relatively limited, which could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

***Concentrations within our portfolio of investments may subject us to losses.***

While we intend to expand and diversify our portfolio of investments, we are not required to observe specific diversification criteria. Our investments may therefore at times be concentrated in certain property types or in certain borrowers that may be subject to higher risk of default or foreclosure, or secured by properties concentrated in a limited number of geographic locations. To the extent that our investments are concentrated in any one region or type of asset, downturns generally relating to such type of asset or region may result in defaults on a number of our investments within a short time period. Further, investments concentrated in certain borrowers may result in defaults of a significant amount of our investments if one or more of those borrowers default. Defaults of our concentrated investments may significantly reduce our net income, the returns on our investments and the value of our common shares, and as a result reduce our ability to make or sustain distributions to our shareholders.

***Loans secured by properties in transition or requiring significant renovation involve a greater risk of loss than loans secured by stabilized properties.***

We may originate or acquire transitional or bridge loans to borrowers who are seeking shorter term capital to be used in acquisitions, construction or repositioning of properties. In a typical transitional loan, the borrower has usually identified a property that the borrower believes has been under-managed or is located in a recovering market or requires renovation. The renovation, refurbishment or expansion of a property by a borrower involves risks of cost overruns, construction risks and noncompletion risks, among others. Estimates of the costs of property improvements may be inaccurate. Other risks may include rehabilitation costs exceeding original estimates, possibly making a project uneconomical, environmental risks, delays in legal and other approvals and rehabilitation and subsequent leasing of the property not being completed on schedule. If the borrower fails to improve the quality of the property's management or the market in which the property is located fails to improve as expected, or the renovation is not completed in a timely manner or such costs are more than expected, then the borrower may not generate sufficient cash flow to make payments on or refinance the transitional loan, and we may not recover some or all of our investment.

In addition, borrowers often use the proceeds of a conventional mortgage to repay a transitional loan. Transitional loans therefore are subject to the risk of the borrowers' inability to obtain financing to repay the loan. Losses we or our subsidiaries suffer with respect to our transitional loans could be material.

***The Adviser's diligence process for investment opportunities may not reveal all facts that may be relevant for an investment, and if we incorrectly evaluate the risks of our investments, we may experience losses.***

Prior to our making any investment, the Adviser will conduct diligence that it considers reasonable based upon the facts and circumstances of the investment. When conducting diligence on our behalf, the Adviser may be required to evaluate important and complex business, financial, tax, accounting, environmental and legal issues.

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Outside consultants, legal advisors, accountants and investment banks may be involved in the diligence process to varying degrees depending on the type of potential investment. Nonetheless, our diligence may not reveal all of the risks associated with our investments. We will evaluate our potential investments based upon criteria the Adviser deems appropriate for the relevant investment. Our underwriting assumptions and loss estimates may not prove accurate, and actual results may vary from estimates. If we underestimate the risks and potential losses associated with an investment we originate or acquire, we may experience losses from the investment.

Moreover, investment analyses and decisions by the Adviser may frequently be required to be undertaken on an expedited basis to take advantage of investment opportunities. In such cases, the information available to the Adviser at the time of making an investment decision may be limited. Therefore, we cannot be sure that the Adviser will have knowledge of all circumstances that may adversely affect such investment.

***We may be subject to risks involved in real estate activity through joint ventures.***

We may acquire properties through joint ventures when we believe circumstances warrant the use of such structures. Joint venture investments involve risks, including: the possibility that joint venture partners might refuse to make capital contributions when due; that we may be responsible to joint venture partners for indemnifiable losses; that joint venture partners might at any time have business or economic goals which are inconsistent with ours; and that joint venture partners may be in a position to take action or withhold consent contrary to our recommendations, instructions or requests. In some instances, joint venture partners may have competing interests in our markets that could create conflicts of interest. Further, joint venture partners may fail to meet their obligations to the joint venture as a result of financial distress or otherwise, and we would be forced to make contributions to maintain the value of the property. To the extent joint venture partners do not meet their obligations to the joint venture or they take action inconsistent with the interests of the joint venture, we could be adversely affected.

If we acquire properties through joint ventures, we may be required to make decisions jointly with the other investors who have interests in the respective joint ventures. We might not have the same interests as the other investors in relation to these decisions or transactions. Accordingly, we might not be able to favorably resolve any of these issues, or we might have to provide financial or other inducements to the other investors to obtain a favorable resolution.

In addition, various restrictive provisions and third-party rights, including consent rights to certain transactions, may apply to sales or transfers of interests in joint ventures. Consequently, decisions to buy or sell interests in a property or properties relating to joint ventures may be subject to the prior consent of other investors. These restrictive provisions and third-party rights would potentially preclude us from achieving full value of the properties because of our inability to obtain the necessary consents to sell or transfer the interests.

***Prepayment rates may adversely affect the value of certain of our investments which could negatively impact our ability to make or sustain distributions to our shareholders.***

The prepayment rates at which borrowers prepay our investments, where contractually permitted, will be influenced by changes in current interest rates, significant changes in the performance of underlying real estate assets and a variety of economic and other factors beyond our control. Prepayment rates cannot be predicted with certainty and no strategy can completely insulate us from increases in such rates. In periods of declining interest rates, prepayments on investments generally increase and the proceeds of prepayments received during these periods are likely to be reinvested by us in comparable assets at reduced yields. Conversely, in periods of rising interest rates, prepayments on investments, where contractually permitted, generally decrease, in which case we would not have the prepayment proceeds available to invest in comparable assets at higher yields. We may invest in loans and other assets secured or supported by transitional real estate assets; significant improvement in the performance of such assets may result in prepayments as other financing alternatives become available to the borrower. In addition, it may take an extended period for us to reinvest any repayments we may receive and any

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reinvestments we may be able to make may not provide us with similar returns or comparable risks as those of our current investments. We expect to be entitled to fees upon the prepayment of our investments, although we cannot be sure that such fees will adequately compensate us as the functional equivalent of a “make whole” payment. Furthermore, we may not be able to structure future investments to impose a make whole obligation upon a borrower in the case of an early prepayment. As a result, our income will be reduced, which will have a negative impact on our ability to make or sustain distributions to our shareholders.

***A prolonged economic slowdown, a recession or declining real estate values could materially and adversely affect us.***

We believe that the risks associated with our investments will be more severe during periods of economic slowdown or recession, especially if these periods are accompanied by declining real estate values. Consequently, our investment strategy may be adversely affected by prolonged economic downturns or recessions. Borrowers may also be less able to pay principal and interest on our loans if the value of their real estate declines. Further, declining real estate values significantly increase the likelihood that we will incur losses on our investments and on our loans in the event of default because the value of our collateral may be insufficient to cover our cost on the loan. Any sustained period of increased payment delinquencies, foreclosures or losses could adversely affect our ability to originate or acquire loans, which would materially and adversely affect our results of operations, financial condition, liquidity and business and our ability to make or sustain distributions to our shareholders.

***Loans and other real estate related investments we will originate and acquire are subject to the ability of the property owner to generate net income from operating the property as well as the risks of delinquency and foreclosure.***

Loans and other real estate related investments that we will originate or acquire are subject to risks of delinquency and foreclosure. The ability of a borrower to repay a loan secured by an income producing property typically is dependent primarily upon the successful operation of the property rather than upon the existence of independent income or assets of the borrower. If the net operating income of the property is reduced, the borrower’s ability to repay the loan may be impaired. Similarly, when we are the borrower, a decrease in net operating income may impair our ability to pay our loans on properties that we own. Net operating income of an income producing property can be affected by, among other things:

- tenant mix and tenant bankruptcies;
- success of tenant businesses;
- property management decisions, including with respect to capital improvements, particularly in older building structures;
- property location, condition and design;
- competition from comparable properties;
- changes in national, regional or local economic conditions and/or specific industry segments;
- declines in regional or local real estate values;
- declines in regional or local rental or occupancy rates;
- changes in interest rates, and in the state of the debt and equity capital markets, including diminished availability or lack of debt financing for CRE;
- changes in real estate tax rates, tax credits and other operating expenses;
- costs of remediation and liabilities associated with environmental conditions;
- the potential for uninsured or underinsured property losses;
- changes in laws and regulations, including fiscal policies, zoning ordinances and environmental legislation and the related costs of compliance; and
- acts of God, terrorist attacks, social unrest and civil disturbances.

In the event of any default under any loan or other debt-related investment held directly by us, we will bear a risk of loss of principal to the extent of any deficiency between the value of the collateral (net of our costs to enforce

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our rights with respect to that collateral) and the principal and accrued interest of the loan or investment, which could have a material adverse effect on our cash flow from operations and limit amounts available for distribution to our shareholders. In the event of the bankruptcy of a mortgage loan borrower, the mortgage loan to such borrower will be deemed to be secured only to the extent of the value of the underlying collateral at the time of bankruptcy (as determined by the bankruptcy court), and the lien securing the mortgage loan will be subject to the avoidance powers of the bankruptcy trustee or debtor-in-possession to the extent the lien is unenforceable under applicable law. Foreclosure of a mortgage loan can be an expensive and lengthy process, which could have a substantial negative effect on our anticipated return on the foreclosed mortgage loan.

***The investments we will originate and acquire will expose us to risks associated with real estate investments generally.***

In addition to the other risks discussed herein, the real property loans and other real estate-related investments we will originate and acquire expose us to risks associated with real estate investment, generally, including:

- economic and market fluctuations;
- political instability or changes;
- changes in environmental, zoning and other laws;
- casualty or condemnation losses;
- regulatory limitations on rents;
- decreases in property values;
- changes in the appeal of properties to tenants;
- changes in supply and demand for real estate properties and debt resulting from the recent growth in real estate debt funds or otherwise;
- changes in valuation of collateral underlying real properties and real estate loans, resulting from inherently subjective and uncertain valuations;
- energy supply shortages;
- various uninsured or uninsurable risks;
- natural disasters;
- changes in government regulations, such as rent control;
- changes in the availability of debt financing and/or mortgage funds, which may render the sale or refinancing of properties difficult or impracticable;
- increases in mortgage defaults;
- increases in borrowing rates; and
- negative developments in the economy and/or adverse changes in real estate values generally and other factors that are beyond our control.

We cannot predict the degree to which economic conditions generally, and the conditions for real estate debt investing in particular, will improve or decline. Any declines in the performance of the United States or global economies or in the real estate debt markets could have a material adverse effect on us.

***We intend to continue to hold a portion of the Fund's assets in securities, including equities, structured products, including but not limited to, mortgage-backed and other asset-backed securities and collateralized debt obligations; other investment companies and REITs.***

The market prices of equity securities owned by the Fund may go up or down, sometimes rapidly or unpredictably. The value of a security may decline for a number of reasons that may directly relate to the issuer, such as management performance, fundamental changes to the business, financial leverage, non-compliance with regulatory requirements and reduced demand for the issuer's goods or services. The values of equity securities also may decline due to general market conditions that are not specifically related to a particular company, such as real or perceived adverse economic conditions, changes in the general outlook for corporate earnings, changes in interest or currency rates or adverse investor sentiment generally. Certain equity securities may decline in

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value even during periods when the prices of equity securities in general are rising, or may not perform as well as the market in general. In addition to these risks, preferred stock and convertible securities are also subject to the risk that issuers will not make payments on securities held by the Fund, which could result in losses to the Fund. The credit quality of preferred stock and convertible securities held by a Fund may be lowered if an issuer's financial condition changes, leading to greater volatility in the price of the security. In addition, a company's preferred stock generally pays dividends only after the company makes required payments to holders of its bonds and other debt. For this reason, the value of preferred stock will usually react more strongly than bonds and other debt to actual or perceived changes in the company's financial condition or prospects. The market value of convertible securities also tends to fall when prevailing interest rates rise.

The Fund may also invest in collateralized bond obligations ("CBOs"), collateralized loan obligations ("CLOs") and other collateralized debt obligations ("CDOs"), which are debt instruments backed solely by a pool of other debt securities. The risks of an investment in a CBO, CLO or other CDO depend largely on the type of the collateral securities (which would have the risks described elsewhere in this document for that type of security) and the class of the CBO, CLO or other CDO in which the Fund invests. Some CBOs, CLOs and other CDOs have credit ratings, but are typically issued in various classes with various priorities. Normally, CBOs, CLOs and other CDOs are privately offered and sold (that is, not registered under the securities laws) and may be characterized by the Fund as illiquid securities, but an active dealer market may exist for CBOs, CLOs and other CDOs that qualify for Rule 144A transactions. In addition to the normal interest rate, default and other risks of fixed income securities discussed elsewhere in this document, CBOs, CLOs and other CDOs carry additional risks, including the possibility that distributions from collateral securities will not be adequate to make interest or other payments, the quality of the collateral may decline in value or default, the Fund may invest in CBOs, CLOs or other CDOs that are subordinate to other classes, volatility in values, and the complex structure of the security may not be fully understood at the time of investment and produce disputes with the issuer or unexpected investment results.

***The Fund may also invest in these categories of obligations and securities through the use of derivatives.***

The Fund is not limited in the amount it may invest in derivatives, and it may use derivatives to hedge various investments for risk management and for speculative purposes. Derivatives risk is a combination of several risks, including the risks that: (1) an investment in a derivative instrument may not correlate well with the performance of the securities or asset class to which the Fund seeks exposure, (2) derivative contracts, including options, may expire worthless and the use of derivatives may result in losses to the Fund, (3) a derivative instrument entailing leverage may result in a loss greater than the principal amount invested, (4) derivatives not traded on an exchange may be subject to credit risk, for example, if the counterparty does not meet its obligations; and (5) derivatives not traded on an exchange may be subject to liquidity risk and the related risk that the instrument is difficult or impossible to value accurately. As a general matter, when the Fund establishes certain derivative instrument positions, such as certain futures, options and forward contract positions, it will segregate liquid assets (such as cash, U.S. Treasury bonds or commercial paper) equivalent to the Fund's outstanding obligations under the contract or in connection with the position. In addition, changes in laws or regulations may make the use of derivatives more costly, may limit the availability of derivatives, or may otherwise adversely affect the use, value or performance of derivatives.

***REIT distribution requirements and limitations on our ability to access reasonably priced capital may adversely impact our ability to carry out our business plan.***

To maintain our qualification for taxation as a REIT under the IRC, we are required to satisfy distribution requirements imposed by the IRC. See the discussion below under "Risks Related to Our Taxation—REIT distribution requirements could adversely affect us and our shareholders." Accordingly, we may not be able to retain sufficient cash to fund our operations, repay our debts or make investments. Our business strategies therefore depend, in part, upon our ability to raise additional capital at reasonable costs. The volatility in the availability of capital to businesses on a global basis in most debt and equity markets generally may limit our ability to raise reasonably priced capital. We may also be unable to raise reasonably priced capital because of

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reasons related to our business, market perceptions of our prospects, the terms of our indebtedness, the extent of our leverage or for reasons beyond our control, such as market conditions. Because the earnings we are permitted to retain are limited by the rules governing REIT qualification and taxation, if we are unable to raise reasonably priced capital, we may not be able to carry out our business plan.

***Investments in non-conforming loans involve increased risk of loss.***

Certain of our loans and investments may not conform to conventional loan standards applied by traditional lenders and either will not be rated or, if rated, would be rated as non-investment grade by the rating agencies. The non-investment grade ratings typically result from the overall leverage of the loans, the lack of a strong operating history for the properties underlying the loans, the borrowers' credit history, the underlying properties' cash flow or other factors. As a result, these investments should be expected to have a higher risk of default and loss than investment grade rated assets. Any loss we incur may be significant and may negatively impact our ability to make or sustain distributions to our shareholders and adversely affect the value of our common shares. There are no limits on the percentage of unrated assets or non-investment grade rated assets we may hold in our investment portfolio.

***Any credit ratings that may be assigned to our investments will be subject to possible revisions, and we cannot be sure that those ratings will not be downgraded.***

Some of our investments may be rated by credit rating agencies. Any credit ratings on our investments will be subject to ongoing evaluation by credit rating agencies, and we cannot be sure that any such ratings will not be changed or withdrawn by a rating agency after they are issued. If a rating agency assigns a lower than expected rating or reduces or withdraws, or indicates that it may reduce or withdraw, its rating of any of our investments, the value of those investments could significantly decline, which could result in losses if we determine to sell these investments or the failure of the affected borrowers to refinance or otherwise satisfy their debt service obligations.

***Risks of cost overruns and failure to complete renovations of properties in transition may result in significant losses.***

The renovation, refurbishment or expansion of a property by a borrower involves risks of cost overruns, construction risks and noncompletion risks, among others. Estimates of the costs of property improvements may be inaccurate. Other risks may include rehabilitation costs exceeding original estimates, possibly making a project uneconomical, environmental risks, delays in legal and other approvals and rehabilitation and subsequent leasing of the property not being completed on schedule. If such renovation is not completed in a timely manner, or if it costs more than expected, we, as borrower, or the borrowers as to loans we make, may experience a prolonged reduction of net operating income and may not be able to make payments on loans on a timely basis or at all, which may result in significant losses to us.

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[Table of Contents](#)***Investments in non-conforming loans involve increased risk of loss.***

We expect that many of our loans and investments will not conform to conventional loan standards applied by traditional lenders and either will not be rated or, if rated, would be rated as non-investment grade by the rating agencies. The non-investment grade ratings typically result from the overall leverage of the loans, the lack of a strong operating history for the properties underlying the loans, the borrowers' credit history, the underlying properties' cash flow or other factors. As a result, these investments should be expected to have a higher risk of default and loss than investment grade rated assets. Any loss we incur may be significant and may negatively impact our ability to make or sustain distributions to our shareholders and adversely affect the value of our common shares. There are no limits on the percentage of unrated assets or non-investment grade rated assets we may hold in our investment portfolio.

***Any credit ratings that may be assigned to our investments will be subject to possible revisions, and we cannot be sure that those ratings will not be downgraded.***

We expect that some of our investments may be rated by credit rating agencies. Any credit ratings on our investments will be subject to ongoing evaluation by credit rating agencies, and we cannot be sure that any such ratings will not be changed or withdrawn by a rating agency after they are issued. If a rating agency assigns a lower than expected rating or reduces or withdraws, or indicates that it may reduce or withdraw, its rating of any of our investments, the value of those investments could significantly decline, which could result in losses if we determine to sell these investments or the failure of the affected borrowers to refinance or otherwise satisfy their debt service obligations to ***B-Notes are subordinated and have individually negotiated terms, which may result in losses to us.***

We may originate or acquire B-Notes. A B-Note is a mortgage loan typically (a) secured by a first mortgage on a single commercial property or group of related properties and (b) subordinated to an A-Note secured by the same first mortgage on the same collateral. The rights associated with the B-Note are subordinate to the rights associated with the A-Note. If the borrower whose mortgage is divided into an A-Note and a B-Note defaults, there may not be sufficient value in the collateral property remaining for B-Note holders after payment to the A-Note holders. Because each transaction is individually negotiated, B-Notes can vary in their structural characteristics and risks. For example, the rights of holders of B-Notes to control the process following a borrower default vary from transaction to transaction. Losses we suffer investing in B-Notes could be material.

***Subordinated and mezzanine loans involve greater risks of loss than first mortgage whole loans.***

We may originate or acquire subordinated and mezzanine loans, which are loans secured by junior mortgages on the underlying collateral property or loans secured by a pledge of the ownership interests of either the entity owning the property or a pledge of the ownership interests in the entity that owns the interest in the entity owning the property. Subordinated loans have less priority and rights than senior or first mortgages. Mezzanine loans secured by a pledge of ownership interests in an entity are by their nature structurally subordinated to financings that are secured directly by the collateral property. Subordinated and mezzanine loans involve a higher degree of risk than first mortgage whole loans because they rank behind senior loans and may become unsecured as a result of foreclosure by senior lenders. In the event of a bankruptcy of an entity providing the pledge of its ownership interests as security, we may not have full recourse to the assets of such entity, or the assets of the entity may not be sufficient to satisfy our mezzanine loan. If borrowers default on our subordinated loans, mezzanine loans or debt senior to our loans, or in the event of borrowers' bankruptcies, our subordinated loans and mezzanine loans will be satisfied only after the senior debts, and we may not recover some or all of our subordinated loans and mezzanine investments. In addition, subordinated loans and mezzanine loans may have higher LTV ratios than other real estate mortgage loans, resulting in less equity in the collateral properties and increasing the risk of loss of principal. Losses we suffer with respect to our subordinated loans and mezzanine loans could be material.

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*Any distressed investments we originate or acquire, or investments that later become distressed, may subject us to losses and other significant risks.*

While our investments will focus primarily on “performing” real estate loans, our investments may include distressed investments from time to time (e.g., investments in defaulted, out-of-favor or distressed bank loans or debt securities) or may involve investments that become “sub-performing” or “non-performing” after we originate or acquire them. From time to time, our investments may be secured by properties that are encumbered by large amounts of debt relative to their values and cash flows and, therefore, involve a high degree of financial risk. During an economic downturn or recession, loans or securities of financially or operationally troubled borrowers are more likely to go into default than loans or securities of other borrowers. Investment in the loans secured by highly leveraged properties and loans to operationally troubled borrowers involves a high degree of credit risk.

In certain circumstances (e.g., in connection with a workout, restructuring or foreclosing proceedings involving one or more of our investments), the success of our investment strategy will depend on our ability to effectuate loan modifications or restructure and improve the operations of our borrowers. Implementing successful restructuring programs and operating improvements entails a high degree of uncertainty. We cannot be sure that we will be able to implement successful restructuring programs and improvements with respect to any distressed loans or investments we may have from time to time. Distressed loans may become subject to bankruptcy or other similar legal proceedings. In such proceedings, there is a possibility that we may incur substantial costs and total losses on our investments and, in certain circumstances, become subject to liabilities that may exceed the value of our original investments. For example, under certain circumstances, a lender that has inappropriately exercised control over the management and policies of a debtor may have its claims legally subordinated or disallowed or may be found liable for damages suffered by the debtor and its related parties as a result of such actions. Bankruptcy and similar laws may delay our ability to realize on collateral for our loans, may adversely affect the economic terms and priority of our loans through legal doctrines such as equitable subordination or may result in a restructuring of our loans through principles such as the “cramdown” provisions of the bankruptcy laws. In any reorganization or liquidation proceeding relating to our investments, we may lose our entire investment, may be required to accept cash or securities with a value less than our original investment and/or may be required to accept terms different than our original loan terms, including payment over an extended period of time. In addition, in certain circumstances, payments we have received may be reclaimed if any such payment or distribution is later determined to have been a fraudulent conveyance, preferential payment or similar transaction under applicable bankruptcy and insolvency laws.

*We may not have control over certain of our investments.*

Our ability to manage our investments may be limited by the form in which they are made. In certain situations, we may:

- acquire or retain investments subject to rights of senior classes and servicers under intercreditor or servicing agreements;
- acquire or retain only a minority and/or a non-controlling participation in an underlying investment;
- pledge our investments as collateral for financing arrangements;
- co-invest with others through partnerships, joint ventures or other entities, thereby acquiring non-controlling interests; or
- rely on independent third-party management or servicing with respect to the management of a particular investment.



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We may not be able to exercise control over all aspects of our investments. For example, our rights to control the process following a borrower default may be subject to the rights of senior or junior creditors or servicers whose interests may not be aligned with ours. A partner or co-venturer may have economic or business interests or goals that are inconsistent with ours, or may be in a position to take action contrary to our investment objectives. In addition, in certain circumstances we may be liable for the actions of our partners or co-venturers.

***Changes in market interest rates may significantly reduce our revenues or impede our growth.***

Since the most recent U.S. recession, the Board of Governors of the U.S. Federal Reserve System (the “U.S. Federal Reserve”) has taken actions which have resulted in low interest rates prevailing in the marketplace for a historically long period of time. The U.S. Federal Reserve steadily increased the targeted federal funds rate over the last several years, but recently took action to decrease its federal funds rate and may continue to make adjustments in the near future. If market interest rates increase, those increases may materially and negatively affect us in several ways, including:

- Increases in interest rates will make our borrowing to acquire property more costly and increase the risk that operating income from our properties will not cover our borrowing costs.
- When interest rates increase, our interest costs will increase, which could adversely affect our cash flows, our ability to pay principal and interest on our debt, our cost of refinancing our fixed rate debts when they become due and our ability to make or sustain distributions to our shareholders. Additionally, if we choose to hedge our interest rate risk, we cannot be sure that the hedge will be effective or that our hedging counterparty will meet its obligations to us.
- Changes in interest rates may affect our net interest income from our investments, which is the difference between the interest income we earn on our interest earning investments and the interest expense we incur in financing our investments.
- Changes in interest rates may affect our ability to make investments as well as borrower default rates. In a period of rising interest rates, our interest expense could increase, while the interest we earn on any fixed rate debt investments would not change, adversely affecting our profitability. Our operating results depend in large part on differences between the income from our investments, net of credit losses and our financing costs. Even when our investments and borrowings are match funded, the income from our investments may respond more slowly to interest rate fluctuations than the cost of our borrowings.
- Investors may consider whether to buy or sell our common shares based upon the then distribution rate on our common shares relative to the then prevailing market interest rates. If market interest rates go up, investors may expect a higher distribution rate than we are able to pay, which may increase our cost of capital, or they may sell our common shares, if any, and seek alternative investments that offer higher distribution rates. Sales of our common shares may cause a decline in the value of our common shares.

***We may be subject to lender liability claims and, if we are held liable under such claims, we could be subject to losses.***

A number of judicial decisions have recognized the rights of borrowers to sue lending institutions on the basis of various evolving legal theories, collectively termed “lender liability.” Generally, lender liability is founded on the premise that a lender has either violated a duty, whether implied or contractual, of good faith and fair dealing owed to the borrower or has assumed a degree of control over the borrower resulting in the creation of a fiduciary duty owed to the borrower or its other creditors or shareholders. We cannot be sure that such claims will not arise or that we will not be subject to significant liability and losses if claims of this type arise.

[Table of Contents](#)***If the loans that we acquire do not comply with applicable laws, we may be subject to material penalties.***

Loans that we acquire may be subject to U.S. federal, state or local laws. Real estate lenders and borrowers may be responsible for compliance with a wide range of laws intended to protect the public interest, including, without limitation, the Americans with Disabilities Act and local zoning laws. If we or the Adviser fail to comply with such laws in relation to a loan that we have originated or acquired, legal penalties may be imposed, which could materially and adversely affect us. Jurisdictions with “one action,” “security first” and/or “antideficiency rules” may limit our ability to foreclose on a collateral property or to realize on obligations secured by a collateral property. In the future, new laws may be enacted or imposed by U.S. federal, state or local governmental entities, and such laws could have a material adverse effect on us and our operations.

***A prolonged economic slowdown, a recession or declining real estate values could materially and adversely affect us.***

We believe that the risks associated with our investments will be more severe during periods of economic slowdown or recession, especially if these periods are accompanied by declining real estate values. Consequently, our investment strategy may be adversely affected by prolonged economic downturns or recessions where declining real estate values would likely reduce the level of new mortgage and other real estate related loan originations since borrowers often use the appreciation in the value of their existing properties to support the purchase or investment in additional properties. Borrowers may also be less able to pay principal and interest on our loans if the value of their real estate declines. Further, declining real estate values significantly increase the likelihood that we will incur losses on our loans in the event of default because the value of our collateral may be insufficient to cover our cost on the loan. Any sustained period of increased payment delinquencies, foreclosures or losses could adversely affect our ability to originate or acquire loans, which would materially and adversely affect our results of operations, financial condition, liquidity and business and our ability to make or sustain distributions to our shareholders.

***Real estate valuation is inherently subjective and uncertain.***

The valuation of real estate is inherently subjective due to, among other factors, the individual nature of each property, its location, its expected future rental revenues and the valuation methodology adopted. The valuations of our real estate assets may not be precise and may be based on assumptions and methodologies that are inaccurate. Our valuations of our collateral properties may be wrong and we may incur losses. After receipt of the Deregistration Order, the Fund will value its investments using fair value measurements, in accordance with GAAP accounting principles. Fair value measurements are determined based on the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability. As a basis for considering market participant assumptions in fair value measurements, ASC 820 establishes a fair value hierarchy that distinguishes between market participant assumptions based on market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity (observable inputs that are classified within Levels 1 and 2 of the hierarchy) and the reporting entity’s own assumptions about market participant assumptions (unobservable inputs classified within Level 3 of the hierarchy):

- Level 1 inputs utilize quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Fund has the ability to access.
- Level 2 inputs are inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. Level 2 inputs may include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, as well as inputs that are observable for the asset or liability (other than quoted prices), such as interest rates and yield curves that are observable at commonly quoted intervals.
- Level 3 inputs are the unobservable inputs for the asset or liability, which are typically based on an entity’s own assumption, as there is little, if any, related market activity. In instances where the determination of the fair value measurement is based on input from different levels of the fair value hierarchy, the level in the fair value hierarchy within which the entire fair value measurement falls is based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety.

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The Fund's assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment and considers factors specific to the asset or liability. The Fund will utilize independent third parties to perform the allocation of value analysis for each property acquisition and to perform the market valuations on its derivative financial instruments and has established policies, as described above, processes and procedures intended to ensure that the valuation methodologies for investments and derivative financial instruments are fair and consistent as of the measurement date.

***We are subject to losses that are either uninsurable, not economically insurable or that are in excess of our insurance coverage.***

There are certain types of losses (including, but not limited to, losses arising from environmental conditions, earthquakes, tornados and hurricanes, acts of war or certain kinds of terrorist attacks) that are not insured, in full or in part, because they are either uninsurable or the cost of insurance makes it, in our belief, economically impractical to maintain such coverage. We carry commercial general liability insurance, property insurance and terrorism insurance with respect to our communities with limits and on terms we consider commercially reasonable. If an uninsured loss or liability were to occur, whether because of a lack of insurance coverage or a loss in excess of insured limits, we could lose our capital invested in a community, as well as the anticipated future revenues from such community. We would also continue to be obligated to repay any mortgage indebtedness or other obligations related to the community. If an uninsured liability to a third party were to occur, we would incur the cost of defense and settlement with, or court ordered damages to, that third party. A significant uninsured property or liability loss could materially and adversely affect our business and our financial condition and results of operations.

***Our environmental assessments may not identify all potential environmental liabilities and our remediation actions may be insufficient.***

Properties being considered for potential acquisition by us are subjected to at least a Phase I or similar environmental assessment prior to closing, which generally does not involve invasive techniques such as soil or ground water sampling. A Phase II assessment is conducted if recommended in the Phase I report. These assessments, together with subsurface assessments conducted on some properties, have not revealed, and we are not otherwise aware of, any environmental conditions that we believe would have a material adverse effect on our business, assets, financial condition or results of operations. However, such environmental assessments may not identify all potential environmental liabilities. Moreover, we may in the future discover adverse environmental conditions at our communities, including at communities we acquire in the future, which may have a material adverse effect on our business, assets, financial condition or results of operations. In connection with our ownership, operation and selective development of communities, from time to time we undertake substantial remedial action in response to the presence of subsurface or other contaminants, including contaminants in soil, groundwater and soil vapor beneath or affecting our buildings. In some cases, an indemnity exists upon which we may be able to rely if environmental liability arises from the contamination, or if remediation costs exceed estimates. We can provide no assurance, however, that all necessary remediation actions have been or will be undertaken at our communities or that we will be indemnified, in full or at all, in the event that environmental liability arises.

***Compliance with various laws and regulations, including accessibility, building and health and safety laws and regulations, may be costly, may adversely affect our operations or expose us to liability.***

In addition to compliance with environmental regulations, we must comply with various laws and regulations such as accessibility, building, zoning, landlord/tenant and health and safety laws and regulations, including, but not limited to, the ADA and the FHA. Some of those laws and regulations may conflict with one another or be subject to limited judicial or regulatory interpretations. Under those laws and regulations, we may be liable for, among other things, the costs of bringing our properties into compliance with the statutory and regulatory requirements. Noncompliance with certain of these laws and regulations may result in liability without regard to

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fault and the imposition of fines and could give rise to actions brought against us by governmental entities and/or third parties who claim to be or have been damaged as a consequence of an apartment not being in compliance with the subject laws and regulations. As part of our due diligence procedures in connection with the acquisition of a property, we typically conduct an investigation of the property's compliance with known laws and regulatory requirements with which we must comply once we acquire a property, including a review of compliance with the ADA and local zoning regulations. Our investigations and these assessments may not have revealed, and may not with respect to future acquisitions reveal, all potential noncompliance issues or related liabilities and we can provide no assurance that our development properties have been, or that our future development projects will be, designed and built in accordance with all applicable legal requirements.

***The phase out or transitioning of LIBOR may negatively impact our business, financial results and cash flows.***

LIBOR is currently expected to be phased out in 2021. At this time, no consensus exists as to what rate or rates will become accepted alternatives to LIBOR, although the U.S. Federal Reserve, in connection with the Alternative Reference Rates Committee, a steering committee comprised of large U.S. financial institutions, is considering replacing U.S. dollar LIBOR with the Secured Overnight Financing Rate ("SOFR"). Given the inherent differences between LIBOR and SOFR, or any other alternative benchmark rate that may be established, there are many uncertainties regarding a transition from LIBOR, including but not limited to, the need to amend all contracts with LIBOR as the referenced rate and how this will impact the cost of variable rate debt and certain derivative financial instruments. In addition, SOFR or other replacement rates may fail to gain market acceptance. Any failure of SOFR or alternative reference rates to gain market acceptance could adversely affect the return on, value of and market for securities linked to such rates.

With respect to our LIBOR-based debt financing arrangements, if LIBOR is not able to be determined we currently expect that the determination of interest would be revised as provided under the agreements or amended as necessary to provide for an interest rate that approximates the existing interest rate as calculated in accordance with LIBOR. Despite our current expectations, we cannot be sure that, if LIBOR is phased out or transitioned, the changes to the determination of interest under our agreements would approximate the current calculation in accordance with LIBOR. We do not know what standard, if any, will replace LIBOR if it is phased out or transitioned. If the determination of interest does not, or if we cannot forecast with sufficient confidence that it will, approximate the current calculation in accordance with LIBOR, we may incur additional costs, our investment income, net of interest expense, may decline, we may lose investment opportunities or make unsuccessful investments due to not being able to accurately price our proposed investments and our cash flows may be negatively impacted.

***Investments in commercial mortgage-backed securities ("CMBS") and other structured finance investments pose additional risks, including the sensitivity of such investments to economic downturns, the illiquidity of such investments, the risk that the servicer or manager may take actions that could adversely affect our interests and the possibility that the CMBS market will be significantly affected by current or future regulation.***

We generally do not expect to make investments in senior CMBS classes, but we may invest in CMBS and similar structured finance investments which are subordinated classes of securities in a structure of securities secured by a pool of mortgages or loans. Such subordinated securities are the first, or among the first, to bear the loss upon a restructuring or liquidation of the underlying collateral and the last to receive payment of interest and principal. There is generally only a nominal amount of equity or other debt securities junior to such positions, if any, issued in such structures. The values of such subordinated interests tend to be much more sensitive to adverse economic downturns and underlying borrower developments than more senior securities. A projection of an economic downturn, for example, could cause a decline in the price of lower status CMBS or other similar securities because the ability of borrowers to make principal and interest payments on the mortgages or loans underlying such securities may be expected to become impaired.

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Subordinate CMBS classes are generally not actively traded and are relatively illiquid investments, and volatility in the trading markets for those investments may cause their value to decline materially and quickly. In addition, if the underlying mortgage portfolio has been overvalued by the originator, or if the values subsequently decline and, as a result, less collateral value is available to satisfy interest and principal payments and any other fees in connection with the trust or other conduit arrangement for such securities, we may incur significant losses. Also, with respect to the CMBS and similar structured finance investments in which we may invest, control over the related underlying loans will be exercised through a special servicer or collateral manager designated by a “directing certificate holder” or a “controlling class representative,” or otherwise pursuant to the related securitization documents. We may not have the right to appoint the directing certificate holder or otherwise direct the special servicing or collateral management of classes of existing series of CMBS or similar structured finance investments that we acquire. With respect to the management and servicing of these loans, the related special servicers or collateral managers may take actions that could adversely affect our interests.

**Risks Related to Our Organization and Structure*****The Board may revoke our REIT election at any time.***

The Board may revoke or otherwise terminate our REIT election without the approval of shareholders if it determines that it is no longer in the Fund’s best interests to continue to qualify for taxation as a REIT. If we cease to qualify for taxation as a REIT, we would become subject to U.S. federal income tax on our taxable income and would no longer be required to distribute most of our net taxable income to shareholders, which may have adverse consequences on the total return and/or distributions made to our shareholders. See “Risks Related to Our Conversion to a REIT—Our failure to qualify for taxation as a REIT would cause our common shares to be delisted from the NYSE,” “Risks Related to Our Taxation” and Appendix C.

***We may sell our common shares at a price below net asset value without shareholder approval.***

Section 23(b) of the 1940 Act generally prohibits closed-end investment companies from selling their common shares at a price below current NAV. After issuance of the Deregistration Order, we may offer our common shares at below net asset value without shareholder approval.

***Our intention to remain exempt from registration under the 1940 Act will impose limits on our operations.***

After we obtain the Deregistration Order, we believe we will not be considered an investment company under Section 3(a)(1)(A) of the 1940 Act because we will not engage primarily, or hold ourselves out as being engaged primarily, in the business of investing, reinvesting or trading in securities and may qualify for exclusion under Section 3(c)(5) (C), as discussed in further detail below.

We may conduct our business, in whole or in part, through wholly or majority owned subsidiaries. Under Section 3(a)(1)(C) of the 1940 Act, the securities issued by these subsidiaries that are excepted from the definition of “investment company” under Section 3(c)(1) or Section 3(c)(7) of the 1940 Act, together with any other investment securities we may own, may not have a combined value in excess of 40% of the value of our total assets (exclusive of U.S. Government securities and cash items) on an unconsolidated basis. This requirement limits the types of businesses in which we may engage through subsidiaries. In addition, the assets we may acquire are limited by the provisions of the 1940 Act and the rules and regulations promulgated under the 1940 Act, which may adversely affect our business.

If the value of securities issued by our subsidiaries that are excepted from the definition of “investment company” by Section 3(c)(1) or 3(c)(7) of the 1940 Act, together with any other investment securities we own, exceeds 40% of our total assets (exclusive of U.S. Government securities and cash items) on an unconsolidated basis, or if one or more of such subsidiaries fails to maintain an exception or exemption from the 1940 Act, we could, among other things, be required to either (a) substantially change the manner in which we conduct our

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operations to avoid being required to re-register as an investment company or (b) re-register as an investment company under the 1940 Act, either of which could have an adverse effect on us and the market price of our common shares. If we or any of our subsidiaries were required to re-register as an investment company under the 1940 Act, the registered entity would once again become subject to substantial regulation with respect to capital structure (including the ability to use leverage), management, operations, transactions with affiliated persons (as defined in the 1940 Act), portfolio composition, including restrictions with respect to diversification and industry concentration, compliance with reporting, record keeping, voting, proxy disclosure and other rules and regulations that would significantly change our diversified REIT operations.

We and certain subsidiaries that we may form in the future may rely upon the exemption from registration as an investment company under the 1940 Act pursuant to Section 3(c)(5)(C) of the 1940 Act, which is available for entities “primarily engaged” in the business of “purchasing or otherwise acquiring mortgages and other liens on and interests in real estate.” This exemption generally requires that at least 55% of our or our applicable subsidiaries’ assets must be comprised of qualifying real estate assets and at least 80% of our or each of our applicable subsidiaries’ portfolios must be comprised of qualifying real estate assets and real estate related assets under the 1940 Act. To the extent that we or any of our subsidiaries rely on Section 3(c)(5)(C) of the 1940 Act, we expect to rely on guidance published by the SEC staff or on our analyses of such guidance to determine which assets are qualifying real estate assets and real estate related assets. However, the SEC’s guidance is more than 25 years old and was issued in accordance with factual situations that may be different from ours. No assurance can be given that the SEC staff will concur with our classification of our assets. In addition, the SEC staff may, in the future, issue further guidance that may require us to re-classify our assets for purposes of qualifying for an exemption from registration under the 1940 Act. If we are required to re-classify our assets, we may no longer be in compliance with the exclusion from the definition of an “investment company” provided by Section 3(c)(5)(C) of the 1940 Act. To the extent that the SEC staff publishes new or different guidance with respect to any assets we have determined to be qualifying real estate assets, we may be required to adjust our strategy accordingly. In addition, we may be limited in our ability to make certain investments, and these limitations could result in a subsidiary holding assets we might wish to sell or selling assets we might wish to hold.

The SEC has not published guidance with respect to the treatment of CMBS for purposes of the Section 3(c)(5)(C) exemption. Unless we receive further guidance from the SEC or its staff with respect to CMBS, we intend to treat CMBS as a real estate related asset.

We or certain of our subsidiaries may also rely on the exemption provided by Section 3(c)(6) of the 1940 Act. The SEC staff has issued little interpretive guidance with respect to Section 3(c)(6) of the 1940 Act and any guidance published by the staff may require us to adjust our strategy accordingly. We intend to structure and conduct our business in a manner that does not require our or our subsidiaries’ registration under the 1940 Act and, in so structuring and conducting our business, we may rely on any available exemption from registration, or exclusion from the definition of “investment company,” under the 1940 Act.

We will determine whether an entity is one of our majority owned subsidiaries. The 1940 Act defines a majority owned subsidiary of a person as a company 50% or more of the outstanding voting securities of which are owned by such person, or by another company which is a majority owned subsidiary of such person. The 1940 Act further defines voting securities as any security presently entitling the owner or holder thereof to vote for the election of directors of a company. We will treat companies in which we own a majority of the outstanding voting securities as majority owned subsidiaries for purposes of the 40% test described above. We have not requested the SEC to approve our treatment of any company as a majority owned subsidiary and the SEC has not done so. If the SEC were to disagree with our treatment of one or more companies as majority owned subsidiaries, we might need to adjust our strategy and our assets in order to continue to pass the 40% test. Any such adjustment in our strategy could have a material adverse effect on us.

There can be no assurance that the laws and regulations governing the 1940 Act status of REITs, including the SEC or its staff providing more specific or different guidance regarding these exemptions, will not change in a

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manner that adversely affects our operations. If we or our subsidiaries fail to maintain an exception or exemption from the 1940 Act, we could, among other things, be required either to (a) change the manner in which we conduct our operations to avoid being required to re-register as an investment company, (b) sell our assets in a manner that, or at a time when, we would not otherwise choose to do so or (c) re-register as an investment company, any of which could negatively affect the value of our common shares, the sustainability of our business, and our ability to make distributions, which could have an adverse effect on our business and the market price for our common shares.

***Rapid and steep declines in the values of our qualifying real estate or real estate related investments may make it more difficult for us to maintain our qualification for taxation as a REIT or exemption from the 1940 Act.***

If the market value or income potential of our qualifying real estate or real estate related investments declines as a result of increased interest rates or other factors, we may need to increase our qualifying real estate or real estate related investments and income and/or liquidate our nonqualifying assets in order to maintain our qualification for taxation as a REIT or our exemption from registration under the 1940 Act. If the decline in real estate asset values and/or income occurs quickly, this may be especially difficult to accomplish. This difficulty may be exacerbated by the illiquid nature of any nonqualifying assets that we may own. We may have to make investment decisions that we otherwise would not make absent the REIT and 1940 Act considerations, and those decisions may cause us to experience losses and reduce the market trading price of our common shares.

**Risks Related to Financing**

***We may incur significant debt, and we anticipate that, following our receipt of the Deregistration Order, our amended organizational documents will contain no limit on the amount of debt we may incur.***

Subject to market conditions and availability, we may incur significant debt through repurchase or credit facilities (including term loans and revolving facilities), warehouse facilities and structured financing arrangements, public and private debt issuances or otherwise. The amount of leverage we may use will vary depending on our available investment opportunities, our available capital, our ability to obtain and access financing arrangements with lenders and the lenders' and our estimate of the stability of our investment portfolio's cash flow. We anticipate that, following our receipt of the Deregistration Order, our amended organizational documents will contain no limit on the amount of debt we may incur, and we would be able to significantly increase the amount of leverage we utilize at any time without approval of our shareholders. The amount of leverage on individual assets may vary, with leverage on some assets substantially higher than others. Leverage can enhance our potential returns but can also exacerbate our losses.

Incurring substantial debt could subject us to many risks that, if realized, would materially and adversely affect us, including the risk that:

- our cash flow from operations may be insufficient to make required payments of principal of and interest on the debt or we may fail to comply with covenants contained in our debt instruments;
- our debt may increase our vulnerability to adverse economic, market and industry conditions with no assurance that our investment yields will increase to match our higher financing costs;
- we may be required to dedicate a substantial portion of our cash flow from operations to payments on our debt, thereby reducing funds available for operations, future business opportunities, distributions to our shareholders or other purposes; and
- we may not be able to refinance maturing debts.

We cannot be sure that our leverage strategies will be successful.

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Our access to capital depends upon a number of factors, some of which we have little or no control over, including:

- general economic, market or industry conditions;
- the market's view of the quality of our assets;
- the market's perception of our growth potential;
- our current and potential future earnings and distributions to our shareholders; and
- the value of our securities.

If regulatory capital requirements imposed on our lenders change, they may be required to limit, or increase the cost of, financing they provide to us. This could potentially increase our financing costs and reduce our liquidity or require us to sell assets at an inopportune time or price.

In order to grow our business, we may have to rely on additional equity issuances, which may be dilutive to our shareholders, or on debt financings which may require us to use a large portion of our cash flow from operations to fund our debt service obligations, thereby reducing funds available for our operations, future business opportunities, distributions to our shareholders or other purposes. We cannot be sure that we will have access to such debt or equity capital on favorable terms at the desired times, or at all, which may cause us to curtail our investment activities or dispose of assets at an inopportune time or price, which could negatively affect our financial condition, results of operations and ability to make or sustain our distributions to our shareholders.

If the market value of our common shares declines, our cost of equity capital will increase, and we may not be able to raise equity capital by issuing additional equity securities.

***The duration of our debt leverage and our investments may not match.***

We generally intend to structure our debt leverage so that we minimize the difference between the term of our investments and the term of the leverage we use to finance them; however, we may not succeed in doing so. In the event that our leverage is for a shorter term than our investments, we may not be able to extend or find appropriate replacement leverage, which could require us to sell certain investments before we otherwise might. In the event that our leverage is for a longer term than our investments, we may not be able to replace our investments as they mature with new investments or at all, which could negatively impact our earnings.

We intend to structure our leverage so that we minimize the difference between the index of our investments and the index of our debt leverage, by financing floating rate investments with floating rate leverage and fixed rate investments with fixed rate leverage. If such a floating rate or fixed rate product is not available to us on reasonable terms, we may use hedging instruments to create such a match. Our attempts to mitigate the risk of a mismatch with the duration or index of our investments and leverage will be subject to factors outside of our control, such as the availability to us of favorable financing and hedging options, and we may not be successful.

The risks of duration mismatches are magnified by the potential for the extension of loans in order to maximize the likelihood and magnitude of their recovery value in the event the loans experience credit or performance challenges; use of these asset management practices would effectively extend the duration of our investments, while our liabilities may have set maturity dates.

***Lenders may require us to enter into restrictive covenants that adversely impact our operations.***

When we obtain debt financing, lenders (especially in the case of bank credit facilities) may impose restrictions on us that impact our ability to incur additional debt, make certain investments, reduce liquidity below certain levels, make distributions to our shareholders, redeem debt or equity securities and impact our flexibility to



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determine our operating and investment strategies. For example, our lenders may restrict, among other things, our ability to repurchase our shares, distribute more than a certain amount of our net income or funds from operations to our shareholders, use leverage beyond certain amounts, sell assets, engage in mergers or consolidations, grant liens or enter into transactions with affiliates. These covenants and restrictions may make it difficult for us to satisfy the qualification requirements necessary to maintain our qualification for taxation as a REIT under the IRC.

***Any repurchase agreements or bank credit facilities that we may enter will likely require us to provide additional collateral or pay down debt.***

We expect that that we may utilize repurchase agreements, bank credit facilities (including term loans and revolving facilities) or other repurchase facilities we may enter to finance some of our investments. Such financing arrangements would involve the risk that the value of the loans sold by us or pledged to the provider of the repurchase agreement or bank credit facility may decline, and, in such circumstances, likely would require us to provide additional collateral or to repay all or a portion of the funds advanced. Posting additional collateral would reduce our liquidity and limit our ability to leverage our assets. If we cannot meet our lender's requirements, the lender might accelerate our indebtedness, increase the interest rate on advanced funds or terminate our ability to borrow additional funds, which could materially and adversely affect our financial condition and ability to implement our investment strategy. The providers of repurchase agreement financing and bank credit facilities may also require us to maintain a certain amount of cash or set aside assets sufficient to maintain a specified liquidity position that would allow us to satisfy our collateral obligations. Currently, we have no repurchase agreements or bank credit facilities in place, and there can be no assurance that we will be able to obtain such financing arrangements on favorable terms, or at all.

***Any default in a repurchase agreement will likely cause us to experience a loss.***

If any counterparty to a repurchase transaction or the counterparty to any repurchase financing arrangement we may enter defaults on its obligation to resell the underlying asset back to us at the end of the transaction term, or if the value of the underlying asset has declined as of the end of that term, or if we default on our obligations under such repurchase agreement, we will likely incur a loss on such repurchase transactions.

#### **Risks Related to Our Relationship with the Adviser and its Affiliates**

***We are dependent on the Adviser, its affiliates and their personnel. We may be unable to find suitable replacements if our management agreement is terminated.***

NexPoint Advisors, L.P., which serves as the investment adviser of the Fund, is registered with the SEC as an investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended and is an affiliate of Highland Capital Management, L.P. ("HCMLP"). Under the general supervision of the Board, the Adviser will carry out the investment and reinvestment of the net assets of the Fund, will furnish continuously an investment program with respect to the Fund, and determine which securities should be purchased, sold or exchanged. In addition, the Adviser will supervise and provide oversight of the Fund's service providers. The Adviser, through a Shared Services Agreement with HCMLP (discussed below), will furnish to the Fund office facilities, equipment and personnel for servicing the management of the Fund. The Adviser will compensate all Adviser personnel who provide services to the Fund.

The Adviser has been historically affiliated through common control with HCMLP, an SEC-registered investment adviser. On October 16, 2019, HCMLP filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware. The case was subsequently transferred to the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas. On January 9, 2020, the bankruptcy court approved a change of control of HCMLP, which involved the resignation of James Dondero as the sole director of, and the appointment of an independent board to, HCMLP's general partner. Mr. Dondero will, however, remain as an

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employee of HCMLP and as portfolio manager for all funds and vehicles for which he currently holds such titles. Nevertheless, given Mr. Dondero's historic role with HCMLP and his continued ownership interest and roles with respect to the investment platform as a whole, as well as the shared services agreements between HCMLP and our Adviser, we still treat HCMLP and its affiliates as our affiliates for purposes hereof. Effective March 30, 2020, Mr. Dondero no longer reports beneficial ownership of shares held by HCMLP or its advised accounts. NexPoint is not a party to HCMLP's bankruptcy filing.

Pursuant to the Shared Services Agreement with HCMLP, the Adviser may utilize employees from HCMLP in connection with various services such as human resources, accounting, tax, valuation, information technology services, office space, employees, compliance and legal. We do not expect HCMLP's bankruptcy filings to impact its provision of services to NexPoint Advisors at this time.

***The Adviser has broad discretion in operating our day-to-day business.***

The Adviser is authorized to follow broad operating and investment guidelines and, therefore, has broad discretion in implementing our business plan and day-to-day activities. Our Board of Trustees periodically reviews our operating and investment guidelines and our operating activities, investments and financing arrangements, but it does not review or approve each decision made by the Adviser on our behalf. In addition, in conducting periodic reviews, our Board of Trustees relies primarily on information provided to it by the Adviser. The Adviser may exercise its discretion in a manner that results in investment returns that are substantially below expectations or that result in losses.

***Substantial Conflicts of Interest.*** The Adviser and/or its general partner, limited partners, officers, affiliates and employees provide investment advice to other parties and manage other accounts and private investment vehicles similar to the Fund. For the purposes of this section, the term "NexPoint" shall include the Adviser and its affiliated investment advisors, including HCMLP. In connection with such other investment management activities, the Adviser and/or its general partner, limited partners, officers, affiliates and employees may decide to invest the funds of one or more other accounts or recommend the investment of funds by other parties, rather than the Fund's monies, in a particular security or strategy. In addition, the Adviser and such other persons will determine the allocation of funds from the Fund and such other accounts to investment strategies and techniques on whatever basis they consider appropriate or desirable in their sole and absolute discretion.

NexPoint has built a professional working environment, a firm-wide compliance culture and compliance procedures and systems designed to protect against potential incentives that may favor one account over another. NexPoint has adopted policies and procedures that address the allocation of investment opportunities, execution of portfolio transactions, personal trading by employees and other potential conflicts of interest that are designed to ensure that all client accounts are treated equitably over time. Nevertheless, NexPoint furnishes advisory services to numerous clients in addition to the Fund, and NexPoint may, consistent with applicable law, make investment recommendations to other clients or accounts (including accounts that have performance or higher fees paid to NexPoint or in which portfolio managers have a personal interest in the receipt of such fees) that may be the same as or different from those made to the Fund. In addition, NexPoint, its affiliates and any of their partners, directors, officers, stockholders or employees may or may not have an interest in the securities whose purchase and sale the Adviser recommends to the Fund. Actions with respect to securities of the same kind may be the same as or different from the action that the Adviser, or any of its affiliates, or any of their partners, directors, officers, stockholders or employees or any member of their families may take with respect to the same securities. Moreover, the Adviser may refrain from rendering any advice or services concerning securities of companies of which any of the Adviser's (or its affiliates') partners, directors, officers or employees are directors or officers, or companies as to which the Adviser or any of its affiliates or partners, directors, officers and employees of any of them has any substantial economic interest or possesses material non-public information. In addition to its various policies and procedures designed to address these issues, NexPoint includes disclosure regarding these matters to its clients in both its Form ADV and investment advisory agreements.

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The Adviser, its affiliates or their partners, directors, officers or employees similarly serve or may serve other entities that operate in the same or related lines of business, including accounts managed by an investment adviser affiliated with the Adviser. Accordingly, these individuals may have obligations to investors in those entities or funds or to other clients, the fulfillment of which might not be in the best interests of the Fund. As a result, the Adviser will face conflicts in the allocation of investment opportunities to the Fund and other funds and clients. In order to enable such affiliates to fulfill their fiduciary duties to each of the clients for which they have responsibility, the Adviser will endeavor to allocate investment opportunities in a fair and equitable manner, pursuant to policies and procedures adopted by the Adviser and its advisory affiliates that are designed to manage potential conflicts of interest, which may, subject to applicable regulatory constraints, involve pro rata co-investment by the Funds and such other clients or may involve a rotation of opportunities among the Funds and such other clients. The Fund will only make investments in which the Adviser or an affiliate hold an interest to the extent permitted under the 1940 Act and SEC staff interpretations or pursuant to the terms and conditions of the exemptive order received by the Adviser and certain funds affiliated with the Fund, dated April 19, 2016. For example, exemptive relief is not required for the Fund to invest in syndicated deals and secondary loan market transactions in which the Adviser or an affiliate has an interest where price is the only negotiated point. The order applies to all "Investment Companies," which includes future closed-end investment companies registered under the 1940 Act that are managed by the Adviser, which includes the Fund. The Fund, therefore, may in the future invest in accordance with the terms and conditions of the exemptive order. To mitigate any actual or perceived conflicts of interest, allocation of limited offering securities (such as IPOs and registered secondary offerings) to principal accounts that do not include third-party investors may only be made after all other client account orders for the security have been filled. However, there can be no assurance that such policies and procedures will in every case ensure fair and equitable allocations of investment opportunities, particularly when considered in hindsight.

Conflicts may arise in cases when clients and/or the Adviser and other affiliated entities invest in different parts of an issuer's capital structure, including circumstances in which one or more clients own private securities or obligations of an issuer and other clients may own public securities of the same issuer. In addition, one or more clients may invest in securities, or other financial instruments, of an issuer that are senior or junior to securities, or financial instruments, of the same issuer that are held by or acquired for, one or more other clients. For example, if such issuer encounters financial problems, decisions related to such securities (such as over the terms of any workout or proposed waivers and amendments to debt covenants) may raise conflicts of interests. In such a distressed situation, a client holding debt securities of the issuer may be better served by a liquidation of the issuer in which it may be paid in full, whereas a client holding equity securities of the issuer might prefer a reorganization that holds the potential to create value for the equity holders. In the event of conflicting interests within an issuer's capital structure, NexPoint will generally pursue the strategy that NexPoint believes best reflects what would be expected to be negotiated in an arm's length transaction, but in all instances with due consideration being given to NexPoint's fiduciary duties to each of its accounts (without regard to the nature of the accounts involved or fees received from such accounts). This strategy may be recommended by one or more NexPoint investment professionals. A single person may represent more than one part of an issuer's capital structure. The recommended course of action will be presented to the Adviser's conflicts committee for final determination as to how to proceed. NexPoint may elect, but is not required, to assign different teams to make recommendations for different parts of the capital structure as the Adviser's conflicts committee determines in its discretion. In the event any NexPoint personnel serve on the board of the subject company, they generally recuse themselves from voting on any board matter with respect to a transaction that has an asymmetrical impact on the capital structure. NexPoint personnel board members may still make recommendations to the Adviser's conflicts committee. If any such persons are also on the Adviser's conflicts committee, they may recuse themselves from the committee's determination. A portfolio manager with respect to any applicable NexPoint registered investment company clients ("Retail Accounts") participates in such discussions, but makes an independent determination as to which course of action he or she determines is in the best interest of the applicable Retail Accounts. NexPoint may use external counsel for guidance and assistance.

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The Adviser and its affiliates have both subjective and objective procedures and policies in place designed to manage potential conflicts of interest involving clients so that, for example, investment opportunities are allocated in a fair and equitable manner among the Fund and such other clients. An investment opportunity that is suitable for multiple clients of the Adviser and its affiliates may not be capable of being shared among some or all of such clients due to the limited scale of the opportunity or other factors, including regulatory restrictions imposed by the 1940 Act. There can be no assurance that the Adviser's or its affiliates' efforts to allocate any particular investment opportunity fairly among all clients for whom such opportunity is appropriate will result in an allocation of all or part of such opportunity to the Fund. Not all conflicts of interest can be expected to be resolved in favor of the Fund.

Another type of conflict may arise if one client account buys a security and another client sells or shorts the same security. Currently, such opposing positions are generally not permitted within the same account without prior trade approval by the Adviser's Chief Compliance Officer. However, a portfolio manager may enter into opposing positions for different clients to the extent each such client has a different investment objective and each such position is consistent with the investment objective of the applicable client. In addition, transactions in investments by one or more affiliated client accounts may have the effect of diluting or otherwise disadvantaging the values, prices or investment strategies of other client accounts.

Because certain client accounts may have investment objectives, strategies or legal, contractual, tax or other requirements that differ (such as the need to take tax losses, realize profits, raise cash, diversification, etc.), an affiliated advisor may purchase, sell or continue to hold securities for certain client accounts contrary to other recommendations. In addition, an affiliated advisor may be permitted to sell securities or instruments short for certain client accounts and may not be permitted to do so for other affiliated client accounts.

As a result of the Fund's arrangements with NexPoint, there may be times when NexPoint, the Adviser or their affiliates have interests that differ from those of the Fund's shareholders, giving rise to a conflict of interest. NexPoint and the Adviser are under common ownership, and the Fund's officers serve or may serve as officers, directors or principals of entities that operate in the same or a related line of business as the Fund does, or of investment funds managed by the Adviser or its affiliates. Similarly, the Adviser or its affiliates may have other clients with similar, different or competing investment objectives. In serving in these multiple capacities, they may have obligations to other clients or investors in those entities, the fulfillment of which may not be in the best interests of the Fund or its shareholders. For example, the Fund's officers have, and will continue to have, management responsibilities for other investment funds, accounts or other investment vehicles managed or sponsored by the Adviser and its affiliates. The Fund's investment objective may overlap, in part or in whole, with the investment objective of such affiliated investment funds, accounts or other investment vehicles. As a result, those individuals may face conflicts in the allocation of investment opportunities among the Fund and other investment funds or accounts advised by or affiliated with the Adviser. The Adviser will seek to allocate investment opportunities among eligible accounts in a manner that is fair and equitable over time and consistent with its allocation policy. However, the Fund can offer no assurance that such opportunities will be allocated to it fairly or equitably in the short-term or over time.

In addition, it is anticipated that a significant portion of the Fund's assets will be represented by REITs, asset-backed securities and/or collateralized loan obligations sponsored, organized and/or managed by NexPoint and its affiliates. The Adviser will monitor for conflicts of interest in accordance with its fiduciary duties and will provide the independent trustees of the Fund with an opportunity to periodically review the Fund's investments in such REITs, asset-backed securities and/or CLOs and assure themselves that continued investment in such securities remains in the best interests of the Fund and its shareholders. The Adviser may effect client cross-transactions where it causes a transaction to be effected between the Fund and another client advised by the Adviser or any of its affiliates. The Adviser may engage in a client cross-transaction involving the Fund any time that the Adviser believes such transaction to be fair to the Fund and the other client of the Adviser or its affiliates.

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The Adviser may direct the Fund to acquire or dispose of investments in cross trades between the Fund and other clients of the Adviser or its affiliates in accordance with applicable legal and regulatory requirements. In addition, to the extent permitted by the 1940 Act and SEC staff interpretations, the Fund may make and/or hold an investment, including an investment in securities, in which the Adviser and/or its affiliates have a debt, equity or participation interest, and the holding and sale of such investments by the Fund may enhance the profitability of the Adviser's own investments in such companies.

***Conflicts of interest as a result of our management structure and relationships may provoke dissident shareholder activities that result in significant costs.***

Companies with business dealings with related persons and entities may more often be the target of dissident trustee nominations, dissident shareholder proposals and shareholder litigation alleging conflicts of interest in their business dealings. Our relationships with the Adviser and its affiliates, including HCMLP, may precipitate such activities. These activities, if instituted against us, could result in substantial costs and a diversion of our management's attention, even if such actions are without merit.

***Our management agreement's fee and expense structure may not create proper incentives for the Adviser, which may increase the risk of an investment in our common shares.***

Upon the effectiveness of the new management agreement, we expect to pay the Adviser base management fees regardless of the performance of our portfolio. The Adviser's entitlement to a base management fee that is not based upon our performance or results might reduce its incentive to devote its time and effort to seeking investments that provide attractive, risk adjusted returns for us. Because the base management fees will also be based in part on our outstanding equity, the Adviser may be incentivized to advance strategies that increase our equity. Our increasing our equity capital by selling common shares will usually be dilutive to existing shareholders and may not improve returns for our shareholders or the market price of our common shares. In addition, it is expected that we will be required to pay or to reimburse the Adviser for all costs and expenses of its operations (other than the costs of the Adviser's employees who provide services to us), including but not limited to, the costs of rent, utilities, office furniture, equipment, machinery and other overhead type expenses, the costs of legal, accounting, auditing, tax planning and tax return preparation, consulting services, diligence costs related to our investments, investor relations expenses and other professional services, and other costs and expenses not specifically required under our management agreement to be borne by the Adviser. We expect that some of these overhead, professional and other services will be provided by HCMLP pursuant to a Shared Services Agreement between the Adviser and HCMLP. We expect that our obligation to reimburse the Adviser for certain shared services costs may reduce the Adviser's incentive to efficiently manage those costs, which may increase our costs.

***Our management agreement will be between related parties and may be less favorable to us than if it had been negotiated on an arm's length basis with an unrelated party.***

Our management agreement will be between related parties and its terms, including fees payable to the Adviser, may be less favorable to us than if they had been negotiated on an arm's length basis between unrelated parties. We anticipate that pursuant to the terms of our management agreement, we will reimburse the Adviser for the fees and other costs it pays to HCMLP. Because of the relationships among us, the Adviser and HCMLP, the terms of our management agreement will not be negotiated on an arm's length basis, and we can provide no assurance that these terms will be as favorable to us as they would have been if our management agreement was negotiated on an arm's length basis between unrelated parties.

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***The Adviser does not guaranty our performance; moreover, we could experience poor performance or losses for which the Adviser would not be liable. The Adviser's liability is limited under our management agreement, and we will agree to indemnify the Adviser against certain liabilities.***

We anticipate that pursuant to our management agreement, the Adviser will not assume any responsibility other than to render the services called for thereunder in good faith and will not be responsible for any action of our Board of Trustees in following or declining to follow its advice or recommendations. We could experience poor performance or losses for which the Adviser would not be liable. Under the terms of our management agreement, the Adviser and its affiliates and their respective directors, trustees, officers, shareholders, owners, members, managers, employees and personnel will not be liable to us or any of our Trustees, shareholders or subsidiaries for any acts or omissions related to the provision of services to us under our management agreement, except by reason of acts or omissions that are proved to constitute bad faith, fraud, intentional misconduct, gross negligence or reckless disregard of the duties of the Adviser under our management agreement. In addition, under the terms of our management agreement, we agree to indemnify, hold harmless and advance expenses to the Adviser and its affiliates and their respective directors, trustees, officers, shareholders, owners, members, managers, employees and personnel from and against all expenses, losses, damages, liabilities, demands, charges and claims of any nature whatsoever, including all reasonable attorneys', accountants', and experts' fees and expenses, arising from acts or omissions related to the provision of services to us or the performance of any matter pursuant to an instruction by our Board of Trustees, except to the extent it is proved that such acts or omissions constituted bad faith, fraud, intentional misconduct, gross negligence or reckless disregard of the duties of the Adviser under our management agreement. Such persons will also not be liable for trade errors that may result from ordinary negligence, including errors in the investment decision making or trade process.

***The Adviser may change its processes for identifying, evaluating and managing investments and the personnel performing those functions for us without our or our shareholders' consent at any time.***

The Adviser may change its personnel and processes for identifying, evaluating and managing investments for us without our or our shareholders' consent at any time. In addition, there can be no assurance that the Adviser will follow its processes. Changes in the Adviser's personnel and processes may result in fewer investment opportunities for us, inferior diligence and underwriting standards or adversely affect the collection of payments on, and the preservation of our rights with respect to, our investments, any of which may adversely affect our operating results.

***The Adviser is subject to extensive regulation as an investment adviser, which could adversely affect its ability to manage our business.***

The Adviser is subject to regulation as an investment adviser by various regulatory authorities that are charged with protecting the interests of its clients, including us. The Adviser could be subject to civil liability, criminal liability, or sanction, including revocation of its registration as an investment adviser, censures, fines, or temporary suspension or permanent bar from conducting business, if it is found to have violated any of the laws or regulations governing investment advisers. Any such liability or sanction could adversely affect the Adviser's ability to manage our business. The Adviser must continually address conflicts between its interests and those of its clients, including us. In addition, the SEC and other regulators have increased their scrutiny of conflicts of interest. The Adviser has procedures and controls that are reasonably designed to address these issues. However, appropriately dealing with conflicts of interest is complex and difficult and if the Adviser fails, or appears to fail, to deal appropriately with conflicts of interest, it could face litigation or regulatory proceedings or penalties, any of which could adversely affect its ability to manage our business.

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[Table of Contents](#)**Risks Related to Our Securities*****We may not be able to make or sustain distributions to our shareholders at any time in the future.***

As a REIT, we will generally be required to distribute annually to our shareholders at least 90% of our REIT taxable income (which may be different than our income calculated according to with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States ("GAAP")), determined without regard to the deduction for dividends paid and excluding net capital gains, for us to maintain our qualification for taxation as a REIT under the IRC. Our ability to make or sustain distributions to our shareholders will be adversely affected if any of the risks described below occurs. Further, our making of distributions may be subject to restrictions in future debt obligations we may incur.

The timing and amount of any distributions will be determined at the discretion of our Board of Trustees and will depend on various factors that our Board of Trustees deems relevant, including our financial condition, our results of operations, our liquidity, our capital requirements, our Core Earnings, restrictive covenants in our financial or other contractual arrangements, general economic conditions in the United States, requirements to remain qualified for taxation as a REIT under the IRC and restrictions under the laws of Delaware.

We believe that a change in any one of the following factors could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations and impair our ability to make or sustain distributions to our shareholders:

- the profitability of the investments we make;
- our ability to obtain debt leverage at a cost less than the returns we realize on our investments made with the proceeds of such debt leverage;
- our ability to make profitable additional investments in the future;
- defaults by our borrowers and decreases in the value of and income from our collateral properties; and
- our operating expenses exceeding the amounts we anticipate we will incur.

We cannot assure that we will be able to make or sustain distributions to our shareholders at any time in the future, that the level of any distributions we do make to our shareholders will achieve a market yield relative to the value of our common shares, or that we will be able to increase or even maintain our distribution level over time.

***We may use future debt leverage to pay distributions to our shareholders.***

If our earnings are at any time insufficient to fund distributions to our shareholders at the level which may in the future be established by our Board of Trustees, we may pay distributions to our shareholders with the proceeds of borrowings or other leverage or from sales of our assets. The use of borrowings or sale proceeds for distributions may dilute our shareholders' ownership interests in us. In addition, funding distributions to our shareholders from our future borrowings or asset sales may constitute a return of capital to our investors, which would have the effect of reducing our shareholders' bases in our common shares.

***Changes in market conditions could adversely affect the value of our securities.***

As with other publicly traded equity securities and REIT securities, the value of our common shares and other securities depends on various market conditions that are subject to change from time to time, including:

- the extent of investor interest in our securities;
- the general reputation of REITs and externally managed companies and the attractiveness of our equity securities in comparison to other equity securities, including securities issued by other real estate based companies or by other issuers less sensitive to rises in interest rates;
- our underlying asset value;

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- investor confidence in the stock and bond markets, generally;
- market interest rates;
- national economic conditions;
- changes in tax laws;
- changes in our credit ratings; and
- general market conditions.

We believe that one of the factors that investors consider important in deciding whether to buy or sell equity securities of a REIT is the distribution rate, considered as a percentage of the price of the equity securities, relative to market interest rates. Interest rates have been at historically low levels for an extended period of time. There is a general market perception that REIT shares outperform in low interest rate environments and underperform in rising interest rate environments when compared to the broader market.

The U.S. Federal Reserve steadily increased the targeted federal funds rate over the last several years, but recently took action to decrease its federal funds rate and may continue to make adjustments in the near future. If the U.S. Federal Reserve increases interest rates, or if there is a market expectation of such increases, prospective purchasers of REIT equity securities may want to achieve a higher distribution rate. Thus, higher market interest rates, or the expectation of higher interest rates, could cause the value of our securities to decline.

***Investing in our common shares involves a high degree of risk.***

The investments that we intend to make in accordance with our investment objectives may result in a high amount of risk when compared to alternative investment options. Certain of our investments may be highly speculative and aggressive, and therefore an investment in our common shares may not be suitable for someone with low risk tolerance.

***Further issuances of equity securities may be dilutive to current shareholders.***

The interests of our existing shareholders could be diluted if we issue additional equity securities to finance future loan originations or acquisitions or to repay indebtedness. Our ability to execute our business strategy depends on our access to an appropriate blend of debt financing, which may include secured and unsecured debt, and equity financing, which may include common and preferred shares.

***Our future offerings of debt or equity securities that rank senior to our common shares may adversely affect our shareholders.***

If we decide in the future to issue debt or equity securities that rank senior to our common shares, it is likely that they will be governed by an indenture or other instrument containing covenants restricting our operating flexibility. Also, any convertible or exchangeable securities that we issue in the future may have rights, preferences and privileges more favorable than those of our common shares and may result in dilution to our shareholders. We and, indirectly, our shareholders, will bear the cost of issuing and servicing such securities. Because our decision to issue debt or equity securities in any future offering will depend on market conditions and other factors beyond our control, we cannot predict or even estimate the amount, timing or nature of our future capital offerings. Thus our shareholders will bear the risk of our future offerings reducing the market price of our common shares and diluting the value of their common shares.

**Risks Related to Our Taxation**

***Qualifying for taxation as a REIT involves highly technical and complex provisions of the IRC.***

Qualification for taxation as a REIT involves the application of highly technical and complex IRC provisions for which only limited judicial and administrative authorities exist. Even a technical or inadvertent violation could



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jeopardize our qualification for taxation as a REIT. Our qualification for taxation as a REIT will depend on the satisfaction of specified asset, income, organizational, distribution, shareholder ownership and other requirements on a continuing basis. Compliance with these requirements must be carefully monitored, which may be challenging depending on the size and complexity of the assets in our portfolio, a meaningful portion of which may not be qualifying REIT assets. There can be no assurance that the Adviser's personnel responsible for doing so will be able to successfully monitor our compliance or maintain our qualification for taxation as a REIT.

***Our failure to qualify or remain qualified for taxation as a REIT under the IRC could have significant adverse consequences.***

We intend to elect and qualify for taxation as a REIT under the IRC and to maintain that qualification thereafter. We intend to seek to qualify as a REIT for tax purposes for the taxable year beginning January 1, 2021; however, this time period is an estimate and may vary depending upon the pace at which we will be able to transition certain of the Fund's investments into real property or mortgages securing real estate. As a REIT, we generally will not pay federal or most state income taxes as long as we distribute all of our REIT taxable income and meet other qualifications set forth in the IRC. However, actual qualification for taxation as a REIT under the IRC depends on our satisfying complex statutory requirements, for which there are only limited judicial and administrative interpretations. We expect that by the beginning of the taxable year in which the Deregistration Order becomes effective that we will be organized, and that we will continue to be organized and will operate, in a manner that will allow us to qualify for taxation as a REIT under the IRC, pursuant to our timely election with our first REIT income tax return. However, we cannot be sure that, upon review or audit, the IRS will agree with this conclusion. Furthermore, we cannot be sure that the federal government, or any state or other taxation authority, will continue to afford favorable income tax treatment to REITs and their shareholders.

Maintaining our qualification for taxation as a REIT under the IRC will require us to continue to satisfy tests concerning, among other things, the nature of our assets, the sources of our income and the amounts we distribute to our shareholders. In order to meet these requirements, it may be necessary for us to sell or forgo attractive investments.

If we fail to qualify or remain qualified for taxation as a REIT under the IRC, then our ability to raise capital might be adversely affected, we may be subject to material amounts of federal and state income taxes, our cash available for distribution to our shareholders could be reduced, and the market price of our common shares could decline. In addition, if we lose or revoke our qualification for taxation as a REIT under the IRC for a taxable year, we will generally be prevented from requalifying for taxation as a REIT for the next four taxable years. Moreover, we currently own certain assets through subsidiary REITs, and if we were to cause such any subsidiary REIT to liquidate for U.S. federal income tax purposes, or to otherwise transfer assets to us, in a manner that causes us to be a "successor" to such REIT, a failure of such subsidiary REIT to qualify as a REIT (including for past years) could prohibit us from being eligible to elect to be subject to tax as a REIT prior to the fifth year following the year of such failure.

***REIT distribution requirements could adversely affect us and our shareholders.***

We generally must distribute annually at least 90% of our REIT taxable income, subject to specified adjustments and excluding any net capital gain, in order to maintain our qualification for taxation as a REIT under the IRC. To the extent that we satisfy this distribution requirement, federal corporate income tax will not apply to the earnings that we distribute, but if we distribute less than 100% of our REIT taxable income, then we will be subject to federal corporate income tax on our undistributed taxable income. We intend to make distributions to our shareholders to comply with the REIT requirements of the IRC. In addition, we will be subject to a 4% nondeductible excise tax if the actual amount that we pay out to our shareholders in a calendar year is less than a minimum amount specified under federal tax laws.

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We may experience timing and other differences, for example on account of income and expense accrual principles under U.S. federal income tax laws, or on account of repaying outstanding indebtedness, whereby our available cash is less than, or does not otherwise correspond to, our taxable income. In addition, the IRC generally requires that our income be taken into account no later than when it is taken into account on applicable financial statements, even if financial statements take such income into account before it would otherwise accrue. As a result, from time to time we may not have sufficient cash to meet our REIT distribution requirements. If we do not have other funds available in these situations, among other things, we may borrow funds on unfavorable terms, sell investments at disadvantageous prices, distribute amounts that would otherwise be invested in future acquisitions, or pay taxable distributions partly in shares in order to make distributions sufficient to enable us to pay out enough of our taxable income to satisfy the REIT distribution requirement and to avoid corporate income tax and the 4% excise tax in a particular year. These alternatives could increase our costs or reduce our shareholders' equity. Thus, compliance with the REIT distribution requirements may hinder our ability to grow, which could cause the market price of our common shares to decline.

***Complying with the REIT requirements may negatively impact our investment returns or cause us to forgo otherwise attractive opportunities, liquidate assets or contribute assets to a TRS.***

To qualify as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes, we must continually satisfy tests concerning, among other things, the sources of our income, the nature and diversification of our assets, the amounts we distribute to our stockholders and the ownership of our stock. As a result of these tests, we may be required to make distributions to stockholders at disadvantageous times or when we do not have funds readily available for distribution, forgo otherwise attractive investment opportunities, liquidate assets in adverse market conditions or contribute assets to a taxable REIT subsidiary ("TRS") that is subject to regular corporate federal income tax. Thus, compliance with the REIT requirements may hinder our ability to make and retain certain attractive investments.

***We may be required to report taxable income from particular investments in excess of the economic income we ultimately realize from them.***

We may acquire debt instruments in the secondary market for less than their face amount. Though the discount at which such debt instruments are acquired may reflect doubts about their ultimate collectability rather than current market interest rates, the amount of such discount will nevertheless generally be treated as "market discount" for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Accrued market discount is generally reported as income when, and to the extent that, any payment of principal of the debt instrument is made. Payments on commercial mortgage loans are ordinarily made monthly, and consequently accrued market discount may have to be included in income each month as if the debt instrument were assured of ultimately being collected in full. If we collect less on the debt instrument than our purchase price plus the market discount we had previously reported as income, we may not be able to benefit from any offsetting loss deductions.

Moreover, some of the debt instruments that we might acquire may have been issued with original issue discount. We will be required to report such original issue discount based on a constant yield method and will be taxed based on the assumption that all future projected payments due on such debt instruments will be made. If such debt instruments turn out not to be fully collectible, an offsetting loss deduction will become available only in the later year that uncollectibility is provable.

Finally, in the event that any debt instruments acquired by us are delinquent as to mandatory principal and interest payments, or in the event payments with respect to a particular debt instrument are not made when due, we may nonetheless be required to continue to recognize the unpaid interest as taxable income as it accrues, despite doubt as to its ultimate collectability. Similarly, we may be required to accrue interest income with respect to a debt instrument at its stated rate regardless of whether corresponding cash payments are received or are ultimately collectible. In each case, while we would in general ultimately have an offsetting loss deduction available to us when such interest was determined to be uncollectible, the utility of that deduction could depend on our having taxable income in that later year or thereafter.

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***We may in the future choose to pay dividends in our own shares, in which case you may be required to pay income taxes in excess of the cash dividends that you receive.***

We may in the future distribute taxable dividends that are payable in part in our shares. Under current guidance, as much as 80% (or, for distributions declared before December 31, 2020, 90%) of such distributions may be payable in shares. Taxable shareholders receiving such dividends will be required to include the full amount of the dividend as ordinary income to the extent of our current and accumulated earnings and profits for U.S. federal income tax purposes. As a result, shareholders may be required to pay income taxes with respect to these dividends in excess of the cash dividends received. If a shareholder sells the shares that it receives as a dividend in order to pay this tax, the sales proceeds may be less than the amount included in income with respect to the dividend, depending on the market price of our shares at the time of the sale. Furthermore, with respect to some non-U.S. shareholders, we may be required to withhold U.S. federal income tax with respect to these dividends, including in respect of all or a part of the dividend that is payable in our shares. In addition, if a significant number of our shareholders determine to sell our shares in order to pay taxes owed on dividends paid in shares, then that may put downward pressure on the trading price of our shares.

***Distributions to shareholders generally will not qualify for reduced tax rates applicable to “qualified dividends.”***

Dividends payable by U.S. corporations to noncorporate shareholders, such as individuals, trusts and estates, are generally eligible for reduced U.S. federal income tax rates applicable to “qualified dividends.” Distributions paid by REITs generally are not treated as “qualified dividends” under the IRC and the reduced rates applicable to such dividends do not generally apply. For tax years beginning before 2026, REIT dividends paid to noncorporate shareholders are generally taxed at an effective tax rate lower than applicable ordinary income tax rates due to the availability of a deduction under the IRC for specified forms of income from passthrough entities. However, more favorable rates will nevertheless continue to apply to regular corporate “qualified” dividends, which may cause some investors to perceive that an investment in a REIT is less attractive than an investment in a non-REIT entity that pays dividends, thereby reducing the demand and market price of our common shares.

***Even if we qualify and remain qualified for taxation as a REIT under the IRC, we may face other tax liabilities that reduce our cash flow.***

Even if we qualify and remain qualified for taxation as a REIT under the IRC, we may be subject to federal, state and local taxes on our income and assets, including taxes on any undistributed income, excise taxes, state or local income, property and transfer taxes, such as mortgage recording taxes, and other taxes. Also, some jurisdictions may in the future limit or eliminate favorable income tax deductions, including the dividends paid deduction, which could increase our income tax expense. In addition, in order to meet the requirements for qualification and taxation as a REIT under the IRC, prevent the recognition of particular types of non-cash income, or avert the imposition of a 100% tax that applies to specified gains derived by a REIT from dealer property or inventory, we may hold or dispose of some of our assets and conduct some of our operations through TRSs or other subsidiary corporations that will be subject to corporate level income tax at regular rates. In addition, while we intend that our transactions with our TRSs will be conducted on arm's length bases, we may be subject to a 100% excise tax on a transaction that the IRS or a court determines was not conducted at arm's length. Any of these or other taxes would decrease cash available for distribution to our shareholders.

***The failure of a mezzanine loan to qualify as a real estate asset could adversely affect our ability to remain qualified for taxation as a REIT under the IRC.***

We may originate or acquire mezzanine loans, for which the IRS has provided a safe harbor but not rules of substantive law. Pursuant to the safe harbor, if a mezzanine loan meets specified requirements, it will be treated by the IRS as a real estate asset for purposes of the REIT asset tests, and interest derived from the mezzanine

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loan will be treated as qualifying mortgage interest for purposes of the 75% gross income test applicable to REITs. We may originate or acquire mezzanine loans that do not meet all of the requirements of this safe harbor. In the event we own a mezzanine loan that does not meet the safe harbor requirements and the IRS successfully challenges the loan's treatment as a real estate asset for purposes of the REIT asset and income tests, then we could fail to qualify for taxation as a REIT under the IRC.

***We may fail to qualify for taxation as a REIT under the IRC if the IRS successfully challenges the treatment of certain debt instruments as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes or successfully challenges the treatment of our preferred equity investments as equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes.***

There is limited case law or administrative guidance addressing the treatment of certain debt instruments and preferred equity investments as debt or equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes. We expect that debt instruments that we may originate or acquire generally will be treated as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and preferred equity investments that we may make generally will be treated as equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes, but we do not anticipate obtaining private letter rulings from the IRS and may not obtain opinions of counsel on the characterization of those investments for U.S. federal income tax purposes. If a debt instrument is treated as equity in a pass-through entity for federal income tax purposes, we will be treated as owning the assets held by the entity that issued the debt instrument and we will be treated as receiving our proportionate share of the income of that entity. If that entity owns nonqualifying assets or earns nonqualifying income, we may not be able to satisfy all of the REIT gross income and asset tests. Alternatively, if the IRS successfully asserts a preferred equity investment is debt for federal income tax purposes, then that investment may be treated as a nonqualifying asset for purposes of the 75% asset test and as producing nonqualifying income for the 75% gross income test. In addition, such an investment may be subject to the 10% value test and the 5% asset test, and it is possible that a preferred equity investment that is treated as debt for federal income tax purposes could cause us to fail one or more of the foregoing tests. Accordingly, we could fail to qualify for taxation as a REIT under the IRC if the IRS does not respect our classification of our debt instruments or preferred equity for federal income tax purposes.

***The failure of assets subject to repurchase agreements to qualify as real estate assets could adversely affect our ability to qualify for taxation as a REIT under the IRC.***

We may enter into financing arrangements that are structured as sale and repurchase agreements pursuant to which we will nominally sell assets to a counterparty and simultaneously enter into an agreement to repurchase these assets at a later date in exchange for a purchase price. Economically, these agreements are financings that are secured by the assets sold pursuant to those agreements. We believe that we will be treated for REIT asset and income test purposes as the owner of the assets that are the subject of any such sale and repurchase agreement notwithstanding that such agreement may transfer record ownership of the assets to the counterparty during the term of the agreement. It is possible, however, that the IRS may assert that we did not own the assets during the term of the sale and repurchase agreement, in which case our qualification for taxation as a REIT may be jeopardized.

***Complying with REIT requirements may limit our ability to hedge effectively and may cause us to incur tax liabilities.***

The REIT provisions of the IRC substantially limit our ability to hedge our assets and liabilities. Any income from a hedging transaction that we enter into to manage risk of interest rate changes with respect to borrowings made or to be made to acquire or carry real estate assets does not constitute "gross income" for purposes of the 75% or 95% gross income tests that we must satisfy in order to maintain our qualification for taxation as a REIT under the IRC. As a result, a qualifying hedge transaction will neither assist nor hinder our compliance with the 75% and 95% gross income tests. To the extent that we enter into other types of hedging transactions, the income from those transactions is likely to be treated as nonqualifying income for purposes of both of these gross income tests. As a result of these rules, we may limit our use of advantageous hedging techniques or implement some

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hedges through a TRS. This could increase the cost of our hedging activities because our TRS would be subject to tax on gains or expose us to greater risks associated with changes in the hedged items than we might otherwise want to bear. In addition, losses in our TRS will generally not provide any tax benefit, except for being carried forward against future taxable income in the TRS.

***If we own assets or conduct operations that generate “excess inclusion income” outside of a TRS, our doing so could adversely affect our shareholders’ taxation and could cause our shares to become ineligible for inclusion in leading market indexes.***

Some leading market indexes exclude companies whose dividends to shareholders constitute “unrelated business taxable income” as defined by Section 512 of the IRC (“UBTI”). For purposes of the IRC, shareholder dividends attributable to a REIT’s “excess inclusion income” are treated as UBTI to specified investors, and thus REITs that generate excess inclusion income are generally not eligible for inclusion in these market indexes. Furthermore, REIT dividends attributable to excess inclusion income cause both the REIT and its shareholders to experience a range of disruptive and adverse U.S. federal income tax consequences, including the recognition of UBTI by specified tax-exempt shareholders, the unavailability of treaty benefits to non-U.S. shareholders and the unavailability of net operating losses to offset such income with respect to U.S. taxable shareholders. We do not intend to acquire assets or enter into financing or other arrangements that will produce excess inclusion income for our shareholders. As a result, we may forgo investment or financing opportunities that we would otherwise have considered attractive or implement these arrangements through a TRS, which would increase the cost of these activities because TRSs are subject to U.S. federal income tax. Furthermore, our analysis regarding our investments’ or activities’ potential for generating excess inclusion income could be subject to challenge or we could affirmatively modify our position regarding the generation of excess inclusion income in the future. In either case, our shareholders could suffer adverse tax consequences through the recognition of UBTI or the other adverse consequences that flow from excess inclusion income. Furthermore, in such an event, our shares could become ineligible for inclusion in those market indexes that exclude UBTI-generating stock, which could adversely affect demand for our shares and their market price.

***The tax on prohibited transactions will limit our ability to engage in transactions, including some methods of securitizing mortgage loans, that would be treated as sales for U.S. federal income tax purposes.***

A REIT’s net income from prohibited transactions is subject to a 100% tax. In general, prohibited transactions are sales or other dispositions at a gain of property held primarily for sale to customers in the ordinary course of business. If we were to dispose of real estate, loans, or other assets in a manner that was treated as a sale of the loans for U.S. federal income tax purposes (including certain securitizations), those sales could be viewed as sales to customers in the ordinary course of business and to that extent subject to the 100% tax. Therefore, in order to avoid the prohibited transactions tax, we may choose not to engage in particular sales of assets, or may limit the structures we utilize for our dispositions or securitization transactions, even though the sales or structures might otherwise be beneficial to us.

***Legislative or other actions affecting REITs could materially and adversely affect us and our shareholders.***

The rules dealing with U.S. federal, state, and local taxation are constantly under review by persons involved in the legislative process and by the IRS, the U.S. Department of the Treasury, and other taxation authorities. Changes to the tax laws, with or without retroactive application, could materially and adversely affect us and our shareholders. We cannot predict how changes in the tax laws might affect us or our shareholders. New legislation, Treasury regulations, administrative interpretations or court decisions could significantly and negatively affect our ability to remain qualified for taxation as a REIT or the tax consequences of such qualification to us and our shareholders.

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## APPENDIX C: SUMMARY OF MATERIAL UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

The following is a summary of material U.S. federal income tax considerations generally applicable to the Business Change Proposal, our intended qualification and taxation as a REIT commencing with the Deregistration Year, and the ownership and disposition of our common shares (“common shares”) following the commencement of the Deregistration Year. For purposes of this Appendix references to the “Fund,” “we,” “our” and “us” generally mean only NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund and not its subsidiaries or other lower-tier entities, except as otherwise indicated. This summary is based upon the IRC, the regulations promulgated by the Treasury, rulings and other administrative pronouncements issued by the IRS, and judicial decisions, all as currently in effect, and all of which are subject to differing interpretations or to change, possibly with retroactive effect. No assurance can be given that the IRS would not assert, or that a court would not sustain, a position contrary to any of the tax consequences described below. The summary is also based upon the assumption that we and our subsidiaries and affiliated entities will operate in accordance with our and their applicable organizational documents. This summary is for general information only and is not tax advice. It does not discuss any state, local or non-U.S. tax consequences relevant to us or an investment in our common shares, and it does not purport to discuss all aspects of U.S. federal income taxation that may be important to a particular investor in light of its investment or tax circumstances or to investors subject to special tax rules, such as:

- financial institutions;
- insurance companies;
- broker-dealers;
- regulated investment companies;
- partnerships, other pass-through entities and trusts;
- persons who hold our common shares on behalf of other persons as nominees;
- persons who receive our common shares as compensation;
- persons holding our common shares as part of a “straddle,” “hedge,” “conversion transaction,” “synthetic security” or other integrated investment;
- persons subject to the mark-to-market method of accounting for their securities;
- a person who owns 10% or more (by vote or value, directly or constructively under the IRC) of any class of our shares;
- U.S. expatriates;
- persons whose functional currency is not the U.S. dollar;
- a person subject to special tax accounting rules as a result of its use of applicable financial statements (within the meaning of Section 451(b)(3) of the IRC);
- persons subject to special rules or exemptions under the Foreign Investment in Real Property Tax Act of 1980, as amended (“FIRPTA”)

and, except to the extent discussed below:

- tax-exempt organizations; and
- foreign investors.

This summary assumes that investors will hold their common shares as a capital asset, which generally means property held for investment. Further, except as expressly provided otherwise, this summary assumes (i) that the Business Change Proposal will be approved and effected in the manner contemplated in the Proxy Statement, (ii) that we will successfully realign our portfolio and otherwise satisfy all requirements so as to qualify for taxation as a REIT for the Deregistration Year and each taxable year thereafter, and (iii) that we have been organized and have qualified for taxation as a RIC, and that we will remain so qualified until the end of our taxable year preceding the Deregistration Year.

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The U.S. federal income tax treatment of holders of our common shares depends in some instances on determinations of fact and interpretations of complex provisions of U.S. federal income tax law for which no clear precedent or authority may be available. In addition, the tax consequences to any particular shareholder of holding or disposing of our common shares will depend on the shareholder's particular tax circumstances. You are urged to consult your tax advisor regarding the U.S. federal, state, local, and foreign income and other tax consequences to you in light of your particular investment or tax circumstances of acquiring, holding, exchanging, or otherwise disposing of our common shares.

#### **Taxation of the Fund**

Our first taxable year as a REIT will be the Deregistration Year, for which we intend to elect to be taxed as a REIT under Sections 856 through 860 of the IRC. The discussion below assumes that we will make that election by timely filing our U.S. federal income tax return as a REIT for that year and that we qualify as a REIT for that year and each subsequent year.

The law firm of [ ] has acted as our tax counsel ("tax counsel"). Following the commencement of the Deregistration Year, we would expect to receive an opinion of tax counsel to the effect that, commencing with the Deregistration Year, we have been organized in conformity with the requirements for qualification for taxation as a REIT under the IRC, and that our actual method of operation has enabled, and our proposed method of operation will enable, us to meet the requirements for qualification and taxation as a REIT. The opinion of tax counsel will be based on various assumptions relating to our organization and operation, and will be conditioned upon fact-based representations and covenants regarding our organization, assets, income, and the past, present and future conduct of our business operations. While, if the Business Change Proposal is approved, we intend to operate so that we will qualify for taxation as a REIT, given the highly complex nature of the rules governing REITs, the ongoing importance of factual determinations, and the possibility of future changes in our circumstances, no assurance can be given by tax counsel or by us that we will qualify for taxation as a REIT for any particular year. In addition, the law may change prior to the Deregistration Year or thereafter, possibly with retroactive effect, which could result in our inability to receive the opinions from tax counsel described herein or in adverse consequences to matters otherwise addressed herein. The opinion will be expressed as of the date issued. Tax counsel will have no obligation to advise us or our shareholders of any subsequent change in the matters stated, represented or assumed, or of any subsequent change in the applicable law. You should be aware that opinions of counsel are not binding on the IRS, and no assurance can be given that the IRS will not challenge the conclusions set forth in such opinions.

Our qualification and taxation as a REIT will depend on our ability to meet, through actual operating results, distribution levels, and diversity of stock and asset ownership, various qualification requirements imposed upon REITs by the IRC, the compliance with which will not be reviewed by tax counsel. In addition, our ability to qualify for taxation as a REIT depends in part upon the operating results, organizational structure and entity classification for U.S. federal income tax purposes of certain affiliated entities, the status of which may not have been reviewed by tax counsel. Our ability to qualify for taxation as a REIT also requires that we satisfy specified asset tests, some of which depend upon the fair market values of assets that we own directly or indirectly. Such values may not be susceptible to a precise determination. Accordingly, no assurance can be given that the actual results of our operations for any taxable year will satisfy such requirements for qualification and taxation as a REIT.

#### ***Taxation of REITs in General***

As indicated above, our qualification and taxation as a REIT depend upon our ability to meet, on a continuing basis, various qualification requirements imposed upon REITs by the IRC. The material qualification requirements are summarized below under "—Requirements for Qualification—General." While we intend to operate so that we qualify as a REIT commencing with the Deregistration Year, no assurance can be given that the IRS will not challenge our qualification, or that we will be able to operate in accordance with the REIT requirements in the future. See "—Failure to Qualify".

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Provided that we qualify as a REIT, generally we will be entitled to a deduction for dividends that we pay and therefore will not be subject to U.S. federal corporate income tax on our net taxable income that is currently distributed to our shareholders. This treatment, which is similar to the treatment the Fund is currently subject to as a RIC, substantially eliminates the “double taxation” at the corporate and shareholder levels that generally results from an investment in a C corporation. A “C corporation” is a corporation that generally is required to pay tax at the corporate level. In general, the income that we generate is taxed only at the shareholder level upon a distribution of dividends to our shareholders.

Any net operating losses, foreign tax credits and other tax attributes generally do not pass through to our shareholders, subject to special rules for certain items such as the capital gains that we recognize. See “—Taxation of Shareholders—Taxation of Taxable U.S. Shareholders—Distributions.”

If we qualify as a REIT, we will nonetheless be subject to U.S. federal tax in the following circumstances:

- We will be taxed at regular corporate rates on any undistributed net taxable income, including undistributed net capital gains.
- If we have net income from “prohibited transactions,” which are, in general, sales or other dispositions of inventory or property held primarily for sale to customers in the ordinary course of business, other than “foreclosure property,” such income will be subject to a 100% tax. See “—Prohibited Transactions” and “—Foreclosure Property.”
- If we elect to treat property that we acquire in connection with a foreclosure of a mortgage loan or certain leasehold terminations as foreclosure property, we may thereby avoid the 100% tax on gain from a resale of that property (if the sale would otherwise constitute a prohibited transaction), but the income from the sale or operation of the property may be subject to corporate income tax at the highest applicable rate.
- If we fail to satisfy the 75% gross income test or the 95% gross income test, as discussed below, but nonetheless maintain our qualification as a REIT because we satisfy other requirements, we will be subject to a 100% tax on an amount based on the magnitude of the failure, as adjusted to reflect the profit margin associated with our gross income.
- If we violate the asset tests (other than certain *de minimis* violations) or other requirements applicable to REITs, as described below, and yet maintain our qualification as a REIT because there is reasonable cause for the failure and other applicable requirements are met, we may be subject to a penalty tax. In that case, the amount of the penalty tax will be at least \$50,000 per failure, and, in the case of certain asset test failures, will be determined as the amount of net income generated by the nonqualifying assets in question multiplied by the highest corporate tax rate if that amount exceeds \$50,000 per failure.
- If we fail to distribute during each calendar year at least the sum of (i) 85% of our ordinary income for such year, (ii) 95% of our capital gain net income for such year and (iii) any undistributed net taxable income from prior periods, we will be subject to a nondeductible 4% excise tax on the excess of the required distribution over the sum of (a) the amounts that we actually distributed and (b) the amounts we retained and upon which we paid income tax at the corporate level.
- If we were to derive “excess inclusion income” from an interest in certain mortgage loan securitization structures (i.e., a “taxable mortgage pool” or a residual interest in a real estate mortgage investment conduit (“REMIC”)), we could be subject to corporate level U.S. federal income tax at the highest applicable rate to the extent that such income is allocable to specified types of tax-exempt shareholders known as “disqualified organizations” that are not subject to unrelated business income tax.
- We may be required to pay monetary penalties to the IRS in certain circumstances, including if we fail to meet record-keeping requirements intended to monitor our compliance with rules relating to the composition of a REIT’s shareholders, as described below in “—Requirements for Qualification—General.”
- A 100% tax may be imposed on transactions between us and a taxable REIT subsidiary (“TRS”) that do not reflect arm’s length terms.

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- If we acquire appreciated assets from a corporation that is not a REIT or a RIC (i.e., a corporation taxable under subchapter C of the IRC) in a transaction in which the adjusted tax basis of the assets in our hands is determined by reference to the adjusted tax basis of the assets in the hands of the subchapter C corporation, we may be subject to tax on such appreciation at the highest corporate income tax rate then applicable if we subsequently recognize gain on a disposition of any such assets during the five-year period following their acquisition from the subchapter C corporation.
- The earnings of our TRSs will generally be subject to U.S. federal corporate income tax.

In addition, we and our subsidiaries may be subject to a variety of taxes, including payroll taxes and state, local, and foreign income, property, gross receipts and other taxes on our assets and operations. We could also be subject to tax in situations and on transactions not presently contemplated.

#### ***Requirements for Qualification—General***

The IRC defines a REIT as a corporation, trust or association:

1. that is managed by one or more trustees or directors;
2. the beneficial ownership of which is evidenced by transferable shares, or by transferable certificates of beneficial interest;
3. that would be taxable as a domestic corporation but for its election to be subject to tax as a REIT;
4. that is neither a financial institution nor an insurance company subject to specific provisions of the IRC;
5. the beneficial ownership of which is held by 100 or more persons;
6. in which, during the last half of each taxable year, not more than 50% in value of the outstanding stock is owned, directly or indirectly, by five or fewer “individuals” (as defined in the IRC to include specified tax-exempt entities); and
7. that meets other tests described below, including with respect to the nature of its income and assets.

The IRC provides that conditions (1) through (4) must be met during the entire taxable year, and that condition (5) must be met during at least 335 days of a taxable year of 12 months, or during a proportionate part of a shorter taxable year. Conditions (5) and (6) need not be met during a corporation’s initial tax year as a REIT (which, in our case, is expected to be the Deregistration Year). As part of the Business Change Proposal, we intend to amend our Declaration of Trust to provide for restrictions regarding the ownership and transfers of our common shares, which are intended to assist us in satisfying the stock ownership requirements described in conditions (5) and (6) above. These restrictions, however, may not ensure that we will, in all cases, be able to satisfy the share ownership requirements described in conditions (5) and (6) above.

To monitor compliance with the stock ownership requirements, we generally are required to maintain records regarding the actual ownership of our common shares. To do so, we must demand written statements each year from the record holders of significant percentages of our common shares pursuant to which the record holders must disclose the actual owners of our common shares (i.e., the persons required to include our dividends in their gross income). We must maintain a list of those persons failing or refusing to comply with this demand as part of our records. We could be subject to monetary penalties if we fail to comply with these record-keeping requirements. If you fail or refuse to comply with the demands, you will be required by Treasury regulations to submit a statement with your tax return disclosing your actual ownership of our common shares and other information.

In addition, a corporation generally may not elect to become a REIT unless its taxable year is the calendar year. We adopted December 31 as our year-end and thereby satisfy this requirement.

#### ***Effect of Subsidiary Entities***

***Ownership of Partnership Interests.*** If we are a partner in an entity that is treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, Treasury regulations provide that we are deemed to own our proportionate share of

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the partnership's assets, and to earn our proportionate share of the partnership's income, for purposes of the asset and gross income tests applicable to REITs. Our proportionate share of a partnership's assets and income is based on our capital interest in the partnership (except that for purposes of the 10% value test, described below, our proportionate share of the partnership's assets is based on our proportionate interest in the equity and certain debt securities issued by the partnership). In addition, the assets and gross income of the partnership are deemed to retain the same character in our hands. Thus, our proportionate share of the assets and items of income of any of our subsidiary partnerships will be treated as our assets and items of income for purposes of applying the REIT requirements.

If we are or become a limited partner or non-managing member in any entity treated as a partnership and such entity takes or expects to take actions that could jeopardize our status as a REIT or require us to pay tax, we may be forced to dispose of our interest in such entity. In addition, it is possible that an entity treated as a partnership could take an action which could cause us to fail a gross income or asset test, and that we would not become aware of such action in time to dispose of our interest in such entity or take other corrective action on a timely basis. In that case, we could fail to qualify as a REIT unless we were entitled to relief, as described below.

*Disregarded Subsidiaries.* If we own a corporate subsidiary that is a "qualified REIT subsidiary," that subsidiary is generally disregarded as a separate entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and all of the subsidiary's assets, liabilities and items of income, deduction and credit are treated as our assets, liabilities and items of income, deduction and credit, including for purposes of the gross income and asset tests applicable to REITs. A qualified REIT subsidiary is any corporation, other than a TRS, that is directly or indirectly wholly-owned by a REIT. Other entities that are wholly-owned by us (either directly or through other disregarded entities), including single member limited liability companies that have not elected to be taxed as corporations for U.S. federal income tax purposes, are also generally disregarded as separate entities for U.S. federal income tax purposes, including for purposes of the REIT income and asset tests. Disregarded subsidiaries, along with any partnerships in which we hold an equity interest, are sometimes referred to herein as "pass-through subsidiaries."

In the event that a disregarded subsidiary of ours ceases to be wholly-owned—for example, if any equity interest in a disregarded subsidiary is acquired by a person other than us or another disregarded subsidiary of ours—the subsidiary's separate existence would no longer be disregarded for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Instead, the subsidiary would have multiple owners and would be treated as either a partnership or a taxable corporation. Such an event could, depending on the circumstances, adversely affect our ability to satisfy the various asset and gross income requirements applicable to REITs, including the requirement that REITs generally may not own, directly or indirectly, more than 10% of the securities of another corporation. See "—Asset Tests" and "—Income Tests."

*Taxable REIT Subsidiaries.* In general, we may jointly elect with a subsidiary corporation, whether or not wholly-owned, to treat such subsidiary corporation as a TRS. We generally may not own more than 10% of the securities of a taxable corporation, as measured by voting power or value, unless we and such corporation elect to treat such corporation as a TRS. The separate existence of a TRS or other taxable corporation is not ignored for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Accordingly, a TRS or other taxable subsidiary corporation generally is subject to corporate income tax on its earnings, which may reduce the cash flow that we and our subsidiaries generate in the aggregate, and may reduce our ability to make distributions to our shareholders.

We are not treated as holding the assets of a TRS or other taxable subsidiary corporation or as receiving any income that the subsidiary earns. Rather, the stock issued by a taxable subsidiary corporation to us is an asset in our hands, and we treat the dividends paid to us from such taxable subsidiary corporation, if any, as income. This treatment can affect our income and asset test calculations, as described below. Because we do not include the assets and income of TRSs or other taxable subsidiary corporations on a look-through basis in determining our compliance with the REIT requirements, we may use such entities to undertake indirectly activities that the REIT rules might otherwise preclude us from doing directly or through pass-through subsidiaries. For example, we may use TRSs or other taxable subsidiary corporations to hold assets that, if held by us directly, may cause us to

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fail to satisfy the REIT asset tests, to perform services or conduct activities that give rise to certain categories of income such as certain fees, or to conduct activities that, if conducted by us directly, would be treated in our hands as prohibited transactions.

The TRS rules impose a 100% excise tax on transactions between a TRS and its parent REIT or the REIT's tenants that are not conducted on an arm's length basis. We intend that all of our transactions with our TRSs, if any, will be conducted on an arm's length basis.

**Subsidiary REITs.** We currently own stock in certain entities that are intended to be treated as REITs. Our stock of any subsidiary REIT will generally be treated as a qualifying real estate asset for purposes of the REIT asset requirements (see "—Asset Tests" below), and any dividend income or gains derived by us from such stock will generally be treated as income that qualifies for purposes of the 95% and 75% gross income tests (see "—Income Tests" below), provided, in each case, that such subsidiary qualifies as a REIT. We and any subsidiary REIT are separate entities, each of which intends to qualify as a REIT, and each of which must independently satisfy the various REIT qualification requirements. If our subsidiary REIT were to fail to qualify as a REIT, it would then be a regular taxable corporation, and its income would be subject to U.S. federal income tax. In addition, a failure of such subsidiary to qualify as a REIT would likely have an adverse effect on our ability to comply with the REIT asset and income requirements described below, and thus our ability to qualify as a REIT. Moreover, if we cause a subsidiary REIT to liquidate for U.S. federal income tax purposes, or to otherwise transfer assets to us, in a manner that causes us to be a "successor" to such REIT, a failure of such subsidiary REIT to qualify as a REIT (including for past years) could prohibit us from being eligible to elect to be subject to taxes as a REIT.

### ***Income Tests***

In order to qualify as a REIT, we must satisfy two gross income requirements on an annual basis. First, at least 75% of our gross income for each taxable year, excluding gross income from sales of inventory or dealer property in prohibited transactions, discharge of indebtedness and certain hedging transactions, generally must be derived from "rents from real property" (as described below), gains from the sale of real property, mortgages on real property, and shares in other REITs, interest income derived from mortgage loans secured by real property (including certain types of mortgage-backed securities), dividends received from other REITs, and specified income from temporary investments. Second, at least 95% of our gross income in each taxable year, excluding gross income from prohibited transactions, discharge of indebtedness and certain hedging transactions, must be derived from some combination of income that qualifies under the 75% gross income test described above, as well as other dividends, interest, and gain from the sale or disposition of stock or securities, which need not have any relation to real property. Income and gain from certain hedging transactions will be excluded from both the numerator and the denominator for purposes of both the 75% and 95% gross income tests.

**Rents from Real Property.** Rents we receive from a tenant will qualify as "rents from real property" for the purpose of satisfying the gross income requirements for a REIT described above only if all of the conditions described below are met.

- The amount of rent is not based in whole or in part on the income or profits of any person. However, an amount we receive or accrue generally will not be excluded from the term "rents from real property" solely because it is based on a fixed percentage or percentages of receipts or sales;
- Neither we nor an actual or constructive owner of 10% or more of our common shares actually or constructively owns 10% or more of the interests in the assets or net profits of a non-corporate tenant, or, if the tenant is a corporation, 10% or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock entitled to vote or 10% or more of the total value of all classes of stock of the tenant. Rents we receive from such a tenant that is a TRS of ours, however, will generally not be excluded from the definition of "rents from real property" as a result of this condition if at least 90% of the space at the property to

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which the rents relate is leased to third parties, and the rents paid by the TRS are substantially comparable to rents paid by our other tenants for comparable space;

- Rent attributable to personal property that is leased in connection with a lease of real property is not greater than 15% of the total rent received under the lease. If this condition is not met, then the portion of the rent attributable to personal property will not qualify as “rents from real property”; and
- We generally do not operate or manage the property or furnish or render services to our tenants, subject to a 1% *de minimis* exception and except as provided below. We are permitted, however, to perform directly certain services that are “usually or customarily rendered” in connection with the rental of space for occupancy only and are not otherwise considered “rendered to the occupant” of the property. Examples of these permitted services include the provision of light, heat, or other utilities, trash removal and general maintenance of common areas. In addition, we are permitted to employ an “independent contractor” from whom we derive no revenue to provide customary services to our tenants, or a TRS, which may be wholly or partially owned by us, to provide both customary and non-customary services to our tenants without causing the rent that we receive from those tenants to fail to qualify as “rents from real property.” Any amounts that we receive from a TRS with respect to the TRS’s provision of non-customary services will, however, be nonqualifying income under the 75% gross income test and, except to the extent received through the payment of dividends, the 95% gross income test.

We intend to cause any services that are not “usually or customarily rendered,” or that are for the benefit of a particular tenant in connection with the rental of real property, to be provided through a TRS or through an “independent contractor.” However, no assurance can be given that the IRS will concur with our determination as to whether a particular service is usual or customary, or otherwise in this regard.

*Interest Income.* Interest income constitutes qualifying mortgage interest for purposes of the 75% gross income test to the extent that the obligation upon which such interest is paid is secured by a mortgage on real property or an interest in real property. If we receive interest income with respect to a mortgage loan that is secured by both real property and other property, and the highest principal amount of the loan outstanding during a taxable year exceeds the fair market value of the real property on the date that we acquired or originated the mortgage loan, the interest income will generally be apportioned between the real property and the other collateral, and our income from the arrangement will qualify for purposes of the 75% gross income test only to the extent that the interest is allocable to the real property. In certain cases, personal property collateral securing a loan that we hold may be treated as real property for purposes of the foregoing rules. Even if a loan is not secured by real property, or is undersecured, the income that it generates may nonetheless qualify for purposes of the 95% gross income test. For these purposes, the term “interest” generally does not include any amount received or accrued, directly or indirectly, if the determination of all or some of the amount depends in any way on the income or profits of any person. However, an amount received or accrued generally will not be excluded from the term “interest” solely by reason of being based on a fixed percentage or percentages of receipts or sales.

We may invest in mortgage-backed securities or other securitization vehicles. If these investments are treated as interests in grantor trusts for U.S. federal income tax purposes, we will be treated as owning an undivided beneficial ownership interest in the mortgage loans held by the grantor trust. The interest on such mortgage loans would be qualifying income for purposes of the 75% gross income test to the extent that the obligation is secured by real property. We also may invest in interests in REMICs for U.S. federal income tax purposes, in which case income derived from such REMIC interests would generally be treated as qualifying income for purposes of the 75% and 95% gross income tests. If less than 95% of the assets of a REMIC are real estate assets, however, then only a proportionate part of its income derived from the interest will qualify for purposes of the 75% gross income test. In addition, some REMIC securitizations include imbedded interest rate swap or cap contracts or other derivative instruments that potentially could produce nonqualifying income. To the extent that we hold interests in securitizations that do not represent grantor trust or REMIC interests, the income generated from them might not qualify for purposes of either or both of the REIT income tests, depending upon the circumstances and the specific structure of the investment. Other mortgage-related

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investments, such as mezzanine loans, and mortgage participation interests (such as “B-notes”), “to be announced” forward contracts, and mortgage servicing rights, may be subject to special rules or uncertain treatment and may generate nonqualifying income. The Fund’s ability to invest in those assets may be limited by its intention to qualify as a REIT.

*Dividend Income.* We may directly or indirectly receive distributions from TRSs or other corporations that are not REITs or qualified REIT subsidiaries. These distributions generally are treated as dividend income to the extent of the earnings and profits of the distributing corporation. Such distributions will generally constitute qualifying income for purposes of the 95% gross income test, but not for purposes of the 75% gross income test. Any dividends that we receive from another REIT, however, will be qualifying income for purposes of both the 95% and 75% gross income tests.

*Fee Income.* With limited exceptions, any fee income that we earn will generally not be qualifying income for purposes of either gross income test. Any fees earned by a TRS, however, will not be included for purposes of our gross income tests.

*Hedging Transactions.* Any income or gain that we or our pass-through subsidiaries derive from instruments that hedge certain specified risks, such as the risk of changes in interest rates with respect to certain of our borrowings, will be excluded from gross income for purposes of both the 75% and 95% gross income tests, provided that specified requirements are met, including the requirement that the instrument is entered into during the ordinary course of our business and that the instrument be properly identified as a hedge along with the risk that it hedges within prescribed time periods. Income and gain from all other hedging transactions will not be qualifying income for either the 95% or 75% gross income test.

*Failure to Satisfy the Gross Income Tests.* If we fail to satisfy one or both of the 75% or 95% gross income tests for any taxable year, we may still qualify as a REIT for such year if we are entitled to relief under applicable provisions of the IRC. These relief provisions will be generally available if (i) our failure to meet these tests was due to reasonable cause and not due to willful neglect and (ii) following our identification of the failure to meet the 75% or 95% gross income test for any taxable year, we file a schedule with the IRS setting forth each item of our gross income for purposes of the 75% or 95% gross income test for such taxable year in accordance with Treasury regulations, which have not yet been issued. It is not possible to state whether we would be entitled to the benefit of these relief provisions in all circumstances. If these relief provisions are inapplicable to a particular set of circumstances, we will not qualify as a REIT. Even if these relief provisions apply, and we retain our status as a REIT, the IRC imposes a tax based upon the amount by which we fail to satisfy the particular gross income test.

#### *Asset Tests*

At the close of each calendar quarter, we must also satisfy five tests relating to the nature of our assets. First, at least 75% of the value of our total assets must be represented by some combination of “real estate assets,” cash, cash items, U.S. government securities, and, under some circumstances, stock or debt instruments purchased with new capital. For this purpose, “real estate assets” include interests in real property (and certain ancillary personal property), stock of other corporations that qualify as REITs, some kinds of mortgage-backed securities and mortgage loans, and debt instruments (whether or not secured by real property) that are issued by a “publicly offered REIT” (i.e., a REIT that is required to file annual and periodic reports with the SEC under the Exchange Act). Assets that do not qualify for purposes of the 75% asset test are subject to the additional asset tests described below.

Second, the value of any one issuer’s securities that we own may not exceed 5% of the value of our total assets.

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Third, we may not own more than 10% of any one issuer's outstanding securities, as measured by either voting power or value. The 5% and 10% asset tests do not apply to securities of TRSs and qualified REIT subsidiaries and the value prong of the 10% asset test does not apply to "straight debt" having specified characteristics and to certain other securities described below. Solely for purposes of the value prong of the 10% asset test, the determination of our interest in the assets of a partnership or limited liability company in which we own an interest will be based on our proportionate interest in any securities issued by the partnership or limited liability company, excluding for this purpose certain securities described in the IRC.

Fourth, the aggregate value of all securities of TRSs that we hold may not exceed 20% of the value of our total assets.

Fifth, no more than 25% of the total value of our assets may be represented by "nonqualified publicly offered REIT debt instruments" (i.e., real estate assets that would cease to be real estate assets if debt instruments issued by publicly offered REITs were not included in the definition of real estate assets).

Notwithstanding the general rule, as noted above, that for purposes of the REIT income and asset tests we are treated as owning our proportionate share of the underlying assets of a subsidiary partnership, if we hold indebtedness issued by a partnership, the indebtedness will be subject to, and may cause a violation of, the asset tests unless the indebtedness is a qualifying mortgage asset or other conditions are met. Similarly, although stock of another REIT is a qualifying asset for purposes of the REIT asset tests, any non-mortgage debt that is issued by a non-publicly offered REIT may not so qualify (although such debt will not be treated as "securities" for purposes of the value prong of the 10% asset test, as explained below).

Certain securities will not cause a violation of the value prong of the 10% asset test described above. Such securities include instruments that constitute "straight debt," which term generally excludes, among other things, securities having contingency features. A security does not qualify as "straight debt" where a REIT (or a controlled TRS of the REIT) owns other securities of the same issuer which do not qualify as straight debt, unless the value of those other securities constitute, in the aggregate, 1% or less of the total value of that issuer's outstanding securities. In addition to straight debt, the IRC provides that certain other securities will not violate the value prong of the 10% asset test. Such securities include (i) any loan made to an individual or an estate, (ii) certain rental agreements pursuant to which one or more payments are to be made in subsequent years (other than agreements between a REIT and certain persons related to the REIT under attribution rules), (iii) any obligation to pay "rents from real property," (iv) securities issued by governmental entities that are not dependent in whole or in part on the profits of (or payments made by) a nongovernmental entity, (v) any security (including debt securities) issued by another REIT and (vi) any debt instrument issued by a partnership if the partnership's income is of a nature that it would satisfy the 75% gross income test described above under "—Income Tests." In applying the value prong of the 10% asset test, a debt security issued by a partnership is not taken into account to the extent, if any, of the REIT's proportionate interest in the equity and certain debt securities issued by that partnership.

We may invest in mortgage-backed securities or other securitization vehicles. If these investments are treated as interests in grantor trusts for U.S. federal income tax purposes, we will be treated as owning an undivided beneficial ownership interest in the mortgage loans held by the grantor trust, which would generally be treated as real estate assets to the extent that the obligation is secured by real property. We also may invest in interests in REMICs for U.S. federal income tax purposes, in which case such interests would generally qualify as real estate assets. If less than 95% of the assets of a REMIC are real estate assets, however, then only a proportionate part of our interest in the REMIC would qualify as a real estate asset. In addition, some REMIC securitizations include imbedded interest rate swap or cap contracts or other derivative instruments that would generally be not be treated as real estate assets. To the extent that we hold interests in securitizations that do not represent grantor trust or REMIC interests, such assets may not qualify as real estate assets, depending upon the circumstances and the specific structure of the investment. Other mortgage-related investments, such as mezzanine loans, certain mortgage participation interests (such as "B-notes"), "to be announced" forward

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contracts, and mortgage servicing rights, may be subject to special rules or uncertain treatment and may not be treated as real estate assets. The Fund's ability to invest in those assets may be limited by its intention to qualify as a REIT

We may enter into repurchase agreements under which we will nominally sell assets to a counterparty and simultaneously enter into an agreement to repurchase the sold assets. We believe that we will be treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as the owner of the assets that are the subject of any such agreements, notwithstanding that we may transfer record ownership of the subject assets to the counterparty during the term of the agreement. It is possible, however, that the IRS could assert that we did not own the assets during the term of the applicable repurchase agreement, which characterization could jeopardize our qualification for taxation as a REIT.

No independent appraisals have been obtained to support our conclusions as to the value of our total assets or the value of any particular security or securities. Moreover, the values of some assets may not be susceptible to a precise determination, and values are subject to change in the future. Furthermore, the proper classification of an instrument as debt or equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes may be uncertain in some circumstances, which could affect the application of the REIT asset requirements. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the IRS will not contend that our interests in our subsidiaries or in the securities of other issuers will not cause a violation of the REIT asset tests.

However, certain relief provisions are available to allow REITs to satisfy the asset requirements or to maintain REIT qualification notwithstanding certain violations of the asset tests and other requirements. For example, if we should fail to satisfy the asset tests at the end of a calendar quarter such a failure would not cause us to lose our REIT qualification if we (i) satisfied the asset tests at the close of the preceding calendar quarter and (ii) the discrepancy between the value of our assets and the asset requirements was not wholly or partly caused by an acquisition of nonqualifying assets, but instead arose from changes in the relative market values of our assets. If the condition described in clause (ii) were not satisfied, we still could avoid disqualification by eliminating any discrepancy within 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter in which it arose or by making use of the relief provisions described below.

In the case of *de minimis* violations of the 10% and 5% asset tests, a REIT may maintain its qualification despite a violation of such requirements if (i) the value of the assets causing the violation does not exceed the lesser of 1% of the REIT's total assets and \$10,000,000 and (ii) the REIT either disposes of the assets causing the failure within six months after the last day of the quarter in which it identifies the failure, or the relevant tests are otherwise satisfied within that time frame.

Even if we did not qualify for the foregoing relief provisions, one additional provision allows a REIT that fails one or more of the asset tests to nevertheless maintain its REIT qualification if (i) the REIT provides the IRS with a description of each asset causing the failure, (ii) the failure is due to reasonable cause and not willful neglect, (iii) the REIT pays a tax equal to the greater of (a) \$50,000 per failure and (b) the product of the net income generated by the assets that caused the failure multiplied by the highest applicable corporate tax rate and (iv) the REIT either disposes of the assets causing the failure within six months after the last day of the quarter in which it identifies the failure, or otherwise satisfies the relevant asset tests within that time frame.

#### ***Annual Distribution Requirements***

In order to qualify as a REIT, we are required to annually distribute dividends, other than capital gain dividends, to our shareholders in an amount at least equal to:

- i. the sum of
  - a. 90% of our REIT taxable income, computed without regard to our net capital gains and the deduction for dividends paid; and
  - b. 90% of our after tax net income, if any, from foreclosure property (see "—Foreclosure Property" below); minus

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- ii. the excess of the sum of specified items of non-cash income over 5% of our REIT taxable income, computed without regard to our net capital gains and the deduction for dividends paid.

We generally must make these distributions in the taxable year to which they relate, or in the following taxable year if declared before we timely file our tax return for the year and if paid with or before the first regular dividend payment after such declaration. These distributions will be treated as received by our shareholders in the year in which paid.

To the extent that we distribute at least 90%, but less than 100%, of our REIT taxable income, as adjusted, we will be subject to tax at ordinary corporate tax rates on the retained portion. We may elect to retain, rather than distribute, some or all of our net long-term capital gains and pay tax on such gains. In this case, we could elect for our shareholders to include their proportionate shares of such undistributed long-term capital gains in income, and to receive a corresponding credit for their share of the tax that we paid. Our shareholders would then increase the adjusted basis of their stock by the difference between (i) the amounts of capital gain dividends that we designated and that they include in their taxable income, and (ii) the tax that we paid on their behalf with respect to that income.

To the extent that in the future we may have available net operating losses carried forward from prior tax years, such losses may, subject to limitations, reduce the amount of distributions that we must make in order to comply with the REIT distribution requirements. Such losses, however, will generally not affect the tax treatment to our shareholders of any distributions that are actually made. See “—Taxation of Shareholders—Taxation of Taxable U.S. Shareholders—Distributions.”

If we fail to distribute during each calendar year at least the sum of (i) 85% of our ordinary income for such year, (ii) 95% of our capital gain net income for such year and (iii) any undistributed net taxable income from prior periods, we will be subject to a nondeductible 4% excise tax on the excess of such required distribution over the sum of (a) the amounts actually distributed, plus (b) the amounts of income we retained and on which we have paid corporate income tax.

From time to time, we may not have sufficient cash or other liquid assets to meet these distribution requirements due to timing differences between the actual receipt of income and actual payment of deductible expenses, and the inclusion of income and deduction of expenses in determining our taxable income. In addition, we may decide to retain our cash, rather than distribute it, in order to repay debt, acquire assets, or for other reasons. For example, the IRC contains various limitations on the deductibility of interest and other expenses and various rules that may accelerate income before the receipt of cash. If these timing differences occur, we may sell assets, borrow funds to pay dividends or pay dividends through taxable distributions of other property (including our common share) in order to meet the distribution requirements, while preserving our cash.

If our taxable income for a particular year is subsequently determined to have been understated, we may be able to rectify a resultant failure to meet the distribution requirements for a year by paying “deficiency dividends” to shareholders in a later year, which may be included in our deduction for dividends paid for the earlier year. In this case, we may be able to avoid losing REIT qualification or being taxed on amounts distributed as deficiency dividends, subject to the 4% excise tax described above. We will be required to pay interest based on the amount of any deduction taken for deficiency dividends.

For purposes of the 90% distribution requirement and excise tax described above, any dividend that we declare in October, November or December of any year and that is payable to a shareholder of record on a specified date in any such month will be treated as both paid by us and received by the shareholder on December 31 of such year, provided that we actually pay the dividend before the end of January of the following calendar year.



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Net income that we derive from a prohibited transaction is subject to a 100% tax. The term “prohibited transaction” generally includes a sale or other disposition of property (other than foreclosure property, as discussed below) that is held as inventory or primarily for sale to customers in the ordinary course of a trade or business. We intend to conduct our operations so that no asset that we own (or are treated as owning) will be treated as, or as having been, held as inventory or for sale to customers, and that a sale of any such asset will not be treated as having been in the ordinary course of our business. Whether property is held as inventory or “primarily for sale to customers in the ordinary course of a trade or business” depends on the particular facts and circumstances. No assurance can be given that any property that we sell will not be treated as inventory or property held for sale to customers, or that we can comply with certain safe-harbor provisions of the IRC that would prevent such treatment. The 100% tax does not apply to gains from the sale of property that is held through a TRS or other taxable corporation, although such income will be subject to tax in the hands of the corporation at regular corporate rates. We intend to structure our activities to avoid prohibited transaction characterization.

***Like-Kind Exchanges***

We may dispose of properties in transactions intended to qualify as like-kind exchanges under the IRC. Such like-kind exchanges are intended to result in the deferral of gain for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The failure of any such transaction to qualify as a like-kind exchange could require us to pay federal income tax, possibly including the 100% prohibited transaction tax, depending on the facts and circumstances surrounding the particular transaction.

***Derivatives and Hedging Transactions***

We may enter into hedging transactions, including with respect to foreign currency exchange rate and interest rate exposure on one or more of our assets or liabilities. Any such hedging transactions could take a variety of forms, including the use of derivative instruments such as swap contracts, cap or floor contracts, futures or forward contracts, and options. Income from a hedging transaction (including gain from the sale, disposition, or termination of a position in such a transaction) generally will not constitute gross income for purposes of the 75% and 95% gross income tests if we properly identify the transaction as specified in applicable Treasury regulations and we enter into such transaction (i) in the normal course of our business primarily to manage risk of interest rate changes or currency fluctuations with respect to borrowings made or to be made, or ordinary obligations incurred or to be incurred, to acquire or carry real estate assets; (ii) primarily to manage risk of currency fluctuations with respect to any item of income or gain that would be qualifying income under the 75% or 95% income tests; or (iii) in connection with the extinguishment of indebtedness with respect to which we have entered into a qualified hedging position described in clause (i) or the disposition of property with respect to which we have entered into a qualified hedging position described in clause (ii), primarily to manage the risks of such hedging positions. To the extent that we enter into other types of hedging transactions, the income from those transactions is likely to be treated as nonqualifying income for purposes of both the 75% and 95% gross income tests. Moreover, to the extent that a position in a hedging transaction has positive value at any particular point in time, it may be treated as an asset that does not qualify for purposes of the REIT asset tests. We intend to structure any hedging transactions in a manner that does not jeopardize our qualification as a REIT. We may conduct some or all of our hedging activities (including hedging activities relating to currency risk) through a TRS or other corporate entity, the income from which may be subject to U.S. federal income tax, rather than by participating in the arrangements directly or through pass-through subsidiaries. No assurance can be given, however, that our hedging activities will not give rise to income or assets that do not qualify for purposes of the REIT tests, or that our hedging activities will not adversely affect our ability to satisfy the REIT qualification requirements.

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Foreclosure property is real property and any personal property incident to such real property (i) that we acquire as the result of having bid on the property at foreclosure, or having otherwise reduced the property to ownership or possession by agreement or process of law, after a default (or upon imminent default) on a lease of the property or a mortgage loan held by us and secured by the property, (ii) for which we acquired the related loan or lease at a time when default was not imminent or anticipated and (iii) with respect to which we made a proper election to treat the property as foreclosure property. We generally will be subject to tax at the maximum corporate rate (currently 21%) on any net income from foreclosure property, including any gain from the disposition of the foreclosure property, other than income that would otherwise be qualifying income for purposes of the 75% gross income test. Any gain from the sale of property for which a foreclosure property election has been made will not be subject to the 100% tax on gains from prohibited transactions described above, even if the property would otherwise constitute inventory or dealer property. We do not anticipate receiving any income from foreclosure property that does not qualify for purposes of the 75% gross income test.

***Penalty Tax***

Any redetermined rents, redetermined deductions, excess interest, or redetermined TRS service income that we or our TRSs generate will be subject to a 100% penalty tax. In general, redetermined rents are “rents from real property” that are overstated as a result of any services furnished to any of our tenants by a TRS, redetermined deductions and excess interest represent any amounts that are deducted by a TRS for amounts paid to us that are in excess of the amounts that would have been deducted based on arm’s length negotiations, and redetermined TRS service income is income of a TRS attributable to services provided to, or on behalf of, us (other than services furnished or rendered to a tenant of ours) to the extent such income is lower than the income the TRS would have earned based on arm’s length negotiations. Rents that we receive will not constitute redetermined rents if they qualify for certain safe-harbor provisions contained in the IRC.

From time to time, our TRS may provide services to our tenants. We intend to set the fees paid to our TRS for such services at arm’s length rates, although the fees paid may not satisfy the safe-harbor provisions described above. These determinations are inherently factual, and the IRS has broad discretion to assert that amounts paid between related parties should be reallocated to clearly reflect their respective incomes. If the IRS successfully made such an assertion, we would be required to pay a 100% penalty tax on the excess of an arm’s length fee for tenant services over the amount actually paid.

***Failure to Qualify***

If we fail to satisfy one or more requirements for REIT qualification other than the income or asset tests, we could avoid disqualification as a REIT if our failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect and we pay a penalty of \$50,000 for each such failure. Relief provisions are also available for failures of the income tests and asset tests, as described above in “—Income Tests” and “—Asset Tests.”

If we fail to qualify for taxation as a REIT in any taxable year, and the relief provisions described above do not apply, we would be subject to tax, including any applicable alternative minimum tax, on our taxable income at regular corporate rates. We cannot deduct distributions to shareholders in any year in which we are not a REIT, nor would we be required to make distributions in such a year. In this situation, to the extent of current and accumulated earnings and profits, distributions to shareholders would be taxable as regular corporate dividends. Such dividends paid to U.S. shareholders that are individuals, trusts and estates may be taxable at the preferential income tax rates for qualified dividends. In addition, subject to the limitations of the IRC, corporate distributees may be eligible for the dividends received deduction. Unless we are entitled to relief under specific statutory provisions, we would also be disqualified from re-electing to be taxed as a REIT for the four taxable years following the year during which we lost our qualification. It is not possible to state whether, in all circumstances, we would be entitled to this statutory relief.

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Certain investments in mortgage securitizations that we could make may give rise to “excess inclusion income” that would be allocated to our shareholders. A REIT is required to notify shareholders of the amount of excess inclusion income allocated to them. A shareholder’s share of excess inclusion income:

- cannot be offset by any net operating losses otherwise available to the shareholder;
- is subject to tax as unrelated business taxable income in the hands of most types of shareholders that are otherwise generally exempt from U.S. federal income tax; and
- results in the application of U.S. federal income tax withholding at the maximum rate, without reduction for any otherwise applicable income tax treaty or other exemption, to the extent allocable to most types of non-U.S. holders.

Under IRS guidance, to the extent that excess inclusion income is allocated to a tax-exempt shareholder of a REIT that is not subject to unrelated business income tax (such as a government entity or charitable remainder trust), the REIT may be subject to tax on this income at the highest applicable corporate tax rate. In that case, the REIT could reduce distributions to such shareholders by the amount of such tax paid by the REIT attributable to such shareholder’s ownership. The manner in which excess inclusion income is calculated, or would be allocated to shareholders, including allocations among different classes of shares, is not clear under current law. Tax-exempt investors, foreign investors and taxpayers with net operating losses should carefully consider the tax consequences described above, and are urged to consult their tax advisors.

**Taxation of Shareholders*****Taxation of Taxable U.S. Shareholders***

The following is a summary of certain U.S. federal income tax consequences of the ownership and disposition of our common shares applicable to taxable U.S. shareholders following the commencement of the Deregistration Year. A “U.S. shareholder” is a beneficial owner of our common shares that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes:

- an individual who is a citizen or resident of the United States;
- a corporation (or entity treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes) created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States, or of any state thereof, or the District of Columbia;
- an estate, the income of which is includable in gross income for U.S. federal income tax purposes regardless of its source; or
- a trust if (a) a U.S. court is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of such trust and one or more U.S. fiduciaries have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust or (b) that trust has a valid election in effect under applicable Treasury regulations to be treated as a domestic trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

If any entity or arrangement that is treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes holds our common shares, the tax treatment of a partner in the partnership will generally depend upon the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership. An investor that is a partnership and the partners in such partnership should consult their tax advisors about the U.S. federal income tax consequences of the acquisition, ownership and disposition of our common shares.

**Distributions.** So long as we qualify as a REIT, the distributions that we make to our taxable U.S. shareholders out of current or accumulated earnings and profits that we do not designate as capital gain dividends will generally be taken into account by such shareholders as ordinary income and will not be eligible for the dividends received deduction for corporations. With limited exceptions, our dividends are not eligible for

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taxation at the preferential income tax rates for qualified dividends received by most U.S. shareholders that are individuals, trusts and estates from taxable C corporations. Such shareholders, however, are taxed at the preferential rates on dividends designated by and received from REITs to the extent that the dividends are attributable to:

- income retained by the REIT in the prior taxable year on which the REIT was subject to corporate level income tax (less the amount of tax);
- dividends received by the REIT from TRSs or other taxable C corporations;
- dividends received by the REIT from other REITs to the extent designated by such other REITs as qualified dividends, or
- income in the prior taxable year from sales of “built-in gain” property acquired by the REIT from C corporations in carryover basis transactions (less the amount of corporate tax on such income).

In addition, for taxable years that begin before January 1, 2026, U.S. shareholders that are individuals, trusts or estates are generally entitled to a deduction equal to 20% of the aggregate amount of ordinary income dividends received from a REIT (not including capital gain dividends or dividends eligible for the preferential rates applicable to qualified dividends as described above), subject to certain limitations. Under final regulations recently issued by the Treasury, in order to qualify for this deduction with respect to a dividend on our common shares, a shareholder must hold such shares for more than 45 days during the 91-day period beginning on the date which is 45 days before the date on which such shares become ex-dividend with respect to such dividend (taking into account certain special holding period rules that may, among other consequences, reduce a shareholder’s holding period during any period in which the shareholder has diminished its risk of loss with respect to the shares). Shareholders are urged to consult their tax advisors as to their ability to claim this deduction.

Distributions that we designate as capital gain dividends will generally be taxed to our U.S. shareholders as long-term capital gains, to the extent that such distributions do not exceed our actual net capital gain for the taxable year, without regard to the period for which the shareholder that receives such distribution has held its common shares. We may elect to retain and pay taxes on some or all of our net long-term capital gains, in which case we may elect to treat our U.S. shareholders as having received, solely for tax purposes, our undistributed capital gains, and the shareholders as receiving a corresponding credit for taxes that we paid on such undistributed capital gains. See “Taxation of the Fund—Annual Distribution Requirements.” Corporate shareholders may be required to treat up to 20% of some capital gain dividends as ordinary income. Long-term capital gains are generally taxable at reduced maximum U.S. federal rates in the case of U.S. shareholders that are individuals, trusts or estates, and ordinary income rates in the case of U.S. shareholders that are corporations. Capital gains attributable to the sale of depreciable real property held for more than 12 months are subject to a 25% maximum U.S. federal income tax rate for taxpayers who are taxed as individuals, to the extent of previously claimed depreciation deductions.

Distributions in excess of our current and accumulated earnings and profits will generally represent a return of capital and will not be taxable to a shareholder to the extent that the amount of such distributions does not exceed the adjusted basis of the shareholder’s shares in respect of which the distributions were made. Rather, the distribution will reduce the adjusted basis of the shareholder’s shares. To the extent that such distributions exceed the adjusted basis of a shareholder’s shares, the shareholder generally must include such distributions in income as long-term capital gain if the shares have been held for more than one year, or short-term capital gain if the shares have been held for one year or less. In addition, any dividend that we declare in October, November or December of any year and that is payable to a shareholder of record on a specified date in any such month will be treated as both paid by us and received by the shareholder on December 31 of such year, provided that we actually pay the dividend before the end of January of the following calendar year.

To the extent that we have available net operating losses and capital losses carried forward from prior tax years, such losses may, subject to limitations, reduce the amount of distributions that we must make in order to comply with the REIT distribution requirements. See “Taxation of the Fund—Annual Distribution

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Requirements.” Such losses, however, are not passed through to shareholders and do not offset income of shareholders from other sources, nor would such losses affect the character of any distributions that we make, which are generally subject to tax in the hands of shareholders to the extent that we have current or accumulated earnings and profits.

**Dispositions of Our Common Shares.** If a U.S. shareholder sells or disposes of our common shares, the shareholder will generally recognize gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes in an amount equal to the difference between the amount of cash and the fair market value of any property received on the sale or other disposition and the shareholder’s adjusted tax basis in the common shares. In general, capital gains recognized by individuals, trusts and estates upon the sale or disposition of our common shares will be subject to a reduced maximum U.S. federal income tax rate if the common shares are held for more than one year, and will be taxed at ordinary income rates if the common shares are held for one year or less. Gains recognized by shareholders that are corporations are subject to U.S. federal income tax at ordinary income rates, whether or not such gains are classified as long-term capital gains. Capital losses recognized by a shareholder upon the disposition of our common shares that was held for more than one year at the time of disposition will be considered long-term capital losses, and are generally available only to offset capital gain income of the shareholder but not ordinary income (except in the case of individuals, who may also offset up to \$3,000 of ordinary income each year). In addition, any loss upon a sale or exchange of our common shares by a shareholder who has held the shares for six months or less, after applying holding period rules, will be treated as a long-term capital loss to the extent of actual or deemed distributions that we make that are required to be treated by the shareholder as long-term capital gain.

If an investor recognizes a loss upon a subsequent disposition of our common shares or other securities in an amount that exceeds a prescribed threshold, it is possible that the provisions of Treasury regulations involving “reportable transactions” could apply, with a resulting requirement to separately disclose the loss-generating transaction to the IRS. These regulations, though directed towards “tax shelters,” are broadly written and apply to transactions that would not typically be considered tax shelters. The IRC imposes significant penalties for failure to comply with these requirements. You should consult your tax advisor concerning any possible disclosure obligation with respect to the receipt or disposition of our common shares or securities or transactions that we might undertake directly or indirectly. Moreover, you should be aware that we and other participants in the transactions in which we are involved (including their advisors) might be subject to disclosure or other requirements pursuant to these regulations.

**3.8% Medicare Tax on Investment Income.** Certain U.S. shareholders who are individuals, estates or trusts and whose income exceeds certain thresholds are required to pay a 3.8% Medicare tax on dividends and certain other investment income, including capital gains from the sale or other disposition of our common shares.

### ***Taxation of Non-U.S. Shareholders***

The following is a summary of certain U.S. federal income and estate tax consequences of the ownership and disposition of our common shares applicable to non-U.S. shareholders following the commencement of the Deregistration Year. A “non-U.S. shareholder” is a beneficial owner of our common shares other than a partnership or U.S. shareholder.

**Ordinary Dividends.** The portion of dividends received by non-U.S. shareholders that (i) is payable out of our earnings and profits, (ii) is not attributable to capital gains that we recognize and (iii) is not effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business of the non-U.S. shareholder, will be subject to U.S. withholding tax at the rate of 30%, unless reduced or eliminated by treaty.

In general, non-U.S. shareholders will not be considered to be engaged in a U.S. trade or business solely as a result of their ownership of our common shares. In cases where the dividend income from a non-U.S. shareholder’s investment in our common shares is, or is treated as, effectively connected with the non-U.S.

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shareholder's conduct of a U.S. trade or business, the non-U.S. shareholder generally will be subject to U.S. federal income tax at graduated rates, in the same manner as U.S. shareholders are taxed with respect to such dividends. Such effectively connected income must generally be reported on a U.S. income tax return filed by or on behalf of the non-U.S. shareholder. The income may also be subject to a branch profits tax at the rate of 30% (unless reduced or eliminated by treaty) in the case of a non-U.S. shareholder that is a corporation.

*Non-Dividend Distributions.* Unless our common shares constitute a U.S. real property interest ("USRPI"), distributions that we make which are not dividends out of our earnings and profits will generally not be subject to U.S. income tax (except distributions that exceed both our earnings and profits and the shareholder's tax basis in our shares would generally be subject to the rules under "—Dispositions of Common Shares"). If we cannot determine at the time a distribution is made whether or not the distribution will exceed current and accumulated earnings and profits, the distribution will be subject to withholding at the rate applicable to dividends. The non-U.S. shareholder may seek a refund from the IRS of any amounts withheld if it is subsequently determined that the distribution was, in fact, in excess of our current and accumulated earnings and profits. If our common shares constitute a USRPI, as described below, distributions that we make in excess of the sum of (i) the shareholder's proportionate share of our earnings and profits, plus (ii) the shareholder's basis in its common shares, will be taxed under FIRPTA at the rate of tax, including any applicable capital gains rates, that would apply to a U.S. shareholder of the same type (e.g., an individual or a corporation, as the case may be), and the collection of the tax may be enforced by a withholding at a rate of 15% of the amount by which the distribution exceeds the shareholder's share of our earnings and profits.

*Capital Gain Dividends.* Under FIRPTA, a distribution that we make to a non-U.S. shareholder, to the extent attributable to gains from dispositions of USRPIs that we held directly or through pass-through subsidiaries, or USRPI gains, will, except as described below, be considered effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business of the non-U.S. shareholder and will be subject to U.S. income tax at the rates applicable to U.S. individuals or corporations, without regard to whether we designate the distribution as a capital gain dividend. See above under "—Taxation of Non-U.S. Shareholders—Ordinary Dividends," for a discussion of the consequences of income that is effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business. In addition, we will be required to withhold tax equal to the highest corporate tax rate applied to the amount treated as attributable to our USRPIs. Distributions subject to FIRPTA may also be subject to a branch profits tax at the rate of 30% (unless reduced or eliminated by treaty) in the hands of a non-U.S. shareholder that is a corporation. A distribution is not attributable to USRPI gain if we held an interest in the underlying asset solely as a creditor. Capital gain dividends received by a non-U.S. shareholder that are attributable to dispositions of our assets other than USRPIs are not subject to U.S. federal income or withholding tax, unless (i) the gain is effectively connected with the non-U.S. shareholder's U.S. trade or business, in which case the non-U.S. shareholder would be subject to the same treatment as U.S. shareholders with respect to such gain, except that a non-U.S. shareholder that is a corporation may also be subject to a branch profits tax at the rate of 30% (unless reduced or eliminated by treaty), or (ii) the non-U.S. shareholder is a nonresident alien individual who was present in the United States for 183 days or more during the taxable year and certain other requirements are met, in which case the non-U.S. shareholder will incur a 30% tax on his capital gains. A significant portion of our assets are USRPIs.

A capital gain dividend that would otherwise have been treated as a USRPI gain will not be so treated or be subject to FIRPTA, and generally will not be treated as income that is effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business, and instead will be treated in the same manner as an ordinary dividend (see "—Taxation of Non-U.S. Shareholders—Ordinary Dividends"), if (i) the capital gain dividend is received with respect to a class of shares that is regularly traded on an established securities market located in the United States and (ii) the recipient non-U.S. shareholder does not own more than 10% of that class of shares at any time during the year ending on the date on which the capital gain dividend is received. Our common shares are, and we anticipate that they will continue to be, "regularly traded" on an established securities exchange.

*Dispositions of our common shares.* Unless our common shares constitute a USRPI, a sale of our common shares by a non-U.S. shareholder generally will not be subject to U.S. taxation. Subject to certain exceptions

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discussed below, our common shares will be treated as a USRPI if, at any time during a prescribed testing period, 50% or more of our assets consist of interests in real property located within the United States, excluding, for this purpose, interests in real property solely in a capacity as a creditor. [It is possible that 50% or more of our assets will consist of USRPIs.]<sup>1</sup>

Even if the foregoing 50% test is met, however, our common shares will not constitute a USRPI if we are a “domestically controlled qualified investment entity.” A domestically controlled qualified investment entity includes a REIT, less than 50% of the value of which is held, directly or indirectly, by non-U.S. shareholders at all times during a specified testing period (after applying certain presumptions regarding the ownership of our common shares, as described in Section 897(h)(4)(E) of the IRC). [We believe that we are and will remain a domestically controlled qualified investment entity, and that a sale of our common shares should not be subject to taxation under FIRPTA.]<sup>2</sup> However, no assurance can be given that we are or will remain a domestically controlled qualified investment entity.

In the event that we are not a domestically controlled qualified investment entity, but our common shares are “regularly traded,” as defined by applicable Treasury regulations, on an established securities market, a non-U.S. shareholder’s sale of our common shares nonetheless also would not be subject to tax under FIRPTA as a sale of a USRPI, provided that the selling non-U.S. shareholder held 10% or less of our outstanding common shares any time during a prescribed testing period. Our common shares are, and we expect that they will continue to be, regularly traded on an established securities market.

If gain on the sale of our common shares were subject to taxation under FIRPTA, the non-U.S. shareholder would be required to file a U.S. federal income tax return and would be subject to the same treatment as a U.S. shareholder with respect to such gain, subject to applicable alternative minimum tax and a special alternative minimum tax in the case of non-resident alien individuals. Moreover, in order to enforce the collection of the tax, the purchaser of the common shares could be required to withhold 15% of the purchase price and remit such amount to the IRS.

Gain from the sale of our common shares that would not otherwise be subject to FIRPTA will nonetheless be taxable in the United States to a non-U.S. shareholder in two cases: (i) if the non-U.S. shareholder’s investment in our common shares is effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business conducted by such non-U.S. shareholder, the non-U.S. shareholder will be subject to the same treatment as a U.S. shareholder with respect to such gain, except that a non-U.S. shareholder that is a corporation may also be subject to a branch profits tax at a rate of 30% (unless reduced or eliminated by treaty), or (ii) if the non-U.S. shareholder is a nonresident alien individual who was present in the United States for 183 days or more during the taxable year and certain other requirements are met, the nonresident alien individual will be subject to a 30% tax on the individual’s capital gain. In addition, even if we are a domestically controlled qualified investment entity, upon disposition of our common shares, a non-U.S. shareholder may be treated as having gain from the sale or exchange of a USRPI if the non-U.S. shareholder (a) disposes of our common shares within a 30-day period preceding the ex-dividend date of a distribution, any portion of which, but for the disposition, would have been treated as gain from the sale or exchange of a USRPI and (b) acquires, or enters into a contract or option to acquire, other common shares within 30 days after such ex-dividend date.

*Special FIRPTA Rules.* Certain provisions under FIRPTA create certain exemptions from FIRPTA and otherwise modify the application of the foregoing FIRPTA rules for particular types of non-U.S. investors, including “qualified foreign pension funds” and their wholly owned foreign subsidiaries and certain widely held, publicly traded “qualified collective investment vehicles.” Non-U.S. shareholders are urged to consult their own tax advisors regarding the applicability of these or any other special FIRPTA rules to their particular investment in our common shares.

<sup>1</sup> Client to confirm.

<sup>2</sup> Client to confirm.

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**Estate Tax.** If our common shares are owned or treated as owned by an individual who is not a citizen or resident (as specially defined for U.S. federal estate tax purposes) of the United States at the time of such individual's death, the common shares will be includable in the individual's gross estate for U.S. federal estate tax purposes, unless an applicable estate tax treaty provides otherwise, and may therefore be subject to U.S. federal estate tax.

**Non-U.S. shareholders are urged to consult their tax advisors regarding the U.S. federal, state, local and foreign income and other tax consequences of owning and disposing of our common shares.**

***Taxation of Tax-Exempt Shareholders***

Tax-exempt entities, including qualified employee pension and profit sharing trusts and individual retirement accounts, generally are exempt from U.S. federal income taxation. However, they may be subject to taxation on their unrelated business taxable income ("UBTI"). While some investments in real estate may generate UBTI, the IRS has ruled that dividend distributions from a REIT to a tax-exempt entity do not constitute UBTI. Based on that ruling, and provided that (i) a tax-exempt shareholder has not held our common shares as "debt financed property" within the meaning of the IRC (i.e., where the acquisition or holding of the property is financed through a borrowing by the tax-exempt shareholder) and (ii) our common shares are not otherwise used in an unrelated trade or business, distributions that we make and income from the sale of our common shares generally should not give rise to UBTI to a tax-exempt shareholder.

Tax-exempt shareholders that are social clubs, voluntary employee benefit associations, supplemental unemployment benefit trusts, and qualified group legal services plans exempt from U.S. federal income taxation under Sections 501(c)(7), (c)(9), (c)(17) and (c)(20) of the IRC are subject to different UBTI rules, which generally require such shareholders to characterize distributions that we make as UBTI.

In certain circumstances, a pension trust that owns more than 10% of our common shares could be required to treat a percentage of any dividends received from us as UBTI if we are a "pension-held REIT." We will not be a pension-held REIT unless (i) we are required to "look through" one or more of our pension trust shareholders in order to satisfy the REIT "closely held" test and (ii) either (a) one pension trust owns more than 25% of the value of our common shares or (b) one or more pension trusts, each individually holding more than 10% of the value of our common shares, collectively own more than 50% of the value of our common shares. Certain restrictions on ownership and transfer of our common shares generally should prevent a tax-exempt entity from owning more than 10% of the value of our common shares and generally should prevent us from becoming a pension-held REIT.

**Tax-exempt shareholders are urged to consult their tax advisors regarding the U.S. federal, state, local and foreign income and other tax consequences of owning and disposing of our common shares.**

**Other Tax Considerations**

***Legislative or Other Actions Affecting REITs***

The present U.S. federal income tax treatment of REITs may be modified, possibly with retroactive effect, by legislative, judicial or administrative action at any time. The REIT rules are constantly under review by persons involved in the legislative process and by the IRS and the Treasury, which may result in statutory changes as well as revisions to regulations and interpretations. Changes to the U.S. federal tax laws and interpretations thereof could adversely affect an investment in our common shares.

***Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act***

Sections 1471 to 1474 of the IRC and existing guidance issued thereunder require withholding at a rate of 30% on dividends in respect of our common shares held by or through certain foreign financial institutions



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(including investment funds), unless such institution enters into an agreement with the Treasury to report, on an annual basis, information with respect to shares in the institution held by certain U.S. persons and by certain non-U.S. entities that are wholly or partially owned by U.S. persons and to withhold on certain payments. Accordingly, the entity through which our common shares are held will affect the determination of whether such withholding is required. Similarly, dividends in respect of our common shares held by an investor that is a non-financial non-U.S. entity which does not qualify under certain exemptions will be subject to withholding at a rate of 30%, unless such entity either (i) certifies that such entity does not have any “substantial United States owners” or (ii) provides certain information regarding the entity’s “substantial United States owners,” which we or the applicable withholding agent will in turn provide to the Secretary of the Treasury. An intergovernmental agreement between the United States and an applicable foreign country, or future Treasury regulations or other guidance, may modify these requirements. We will not pay any additional amounts to shareholders in respect of any amounts withheld. Non-U.S. shareholders are encouraged to consult their tax advisors regarding the possible implications of these rules on their investment in our common shares.

***State, Local and Foreign Taxes***

We and our subsidiaries and shareholders may be subject to state, local or foreign taxation in various jurisdictions including those in which we or they transact business, own property or reside. Our state, local or foreign tax treatment and that of our shareholders may not conform to the U.S. federal income tax treatment discussed above. Any foreign taxes that we incur do not pass through to shareholders as a credit against their U.S. federal income tax liability. Prospective investors should consult their tax advisors regarding the application and effect of state, local and foreign income and other tax laws on an investment in our common shares.

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NEXPOINT STRATEGIC OPPORTUNITIES FUND  
AGREEMENT AND DECLARATION OF TRUST

AGREEMENT AND DECLARATION OF TRUST initially made as of March 10, 2006, by the Trustees hereunder, and by the holders of shares of beneficial interest issued hereunder as hereinafter provided, and amended and/or restated from time to time, most recently as of [ ], 2020.

WHEREAS, this Trust has been formed to carry on business as set forth more particularly hereinafter;

WHEREAS, this Trust is authorized to issue an unlimited number of its shares of beneficial interest all in accordance with the provisions hereinafter set forth;

WHEREAS, the Trustees have agreed to manage all property coming into their hands as Trustees of a Delaware statutory trust in accordance with the provisions hereinafter set forth; and

WHEREAS, the parties hereto intend that the Trust created by this Declaration and the Certificate of Trust filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on March 10, 2006 shall constitute a statutory trust under the Delaware Statutory Trust Act and that this Declaration shall constitute the governing instrument of such statutory trust.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Trustees hereby declare that they will hold all cash, securities, and other assets which they may from time to time acquire in any manner as Trustees hereunder IN TRUST to manage and dispose of the same upon the following terms and conditions for the benefit of the holders from time to time of shares of beneficial interest in this Trust as hereinafter set forth.

ARTICLE I

THE TRUST

1.1 Name. This Trust shall be known as the “NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund” and the Trustees shall conduct the business of the Trust under that name or any other name or names as they may from time to time determine.

1.2 Definitions. As used in this Declaration, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

“1940 Act” shall mean the Investment Company Act of 1940 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder and exemptions granted therefrom, as amended from time to time.

“Affiliated Person” shall, for so long as the Trust shall remain registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act, have the meanings given to it in the 1940 Act.

“Assignment” shall, for so long as the Trust shall remain registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act, have the meanings given to it in the 1940 Act.

“By-Laws” shall mean the By-Laws of the Trust as amended from time to time by the Trustees, which By-Laws are expressly herein incorporated by reference as part of the “governing instrument” within the meaning of the DSTA.

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“Code” shall mean the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

“Commission” shall mean the Securities and Exchange Commission.

“Declaration” shall mean this Agreement and Declaration of Trust, as amended, supplemented or amended and restated from time to time.

“Delaware Statutory Trust Act” or “DSTA” shall mean the provisions of the Delaware Statutory Trust Act, 12 Del. C. §3801, et seq., as such Act may be amended from time to time.

“Fundamental Policies” shall, for so long as the Trust shall remain registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act, mean the investment policies and restrictions as set forth from time to time in any Registration Statement of the Trust filed with the Commission and designated as fundamental policies therein, as they may be amended from time to time in accordance with the requirements of the 1940 Act.

“Interested Person” shall, for so long as the Trust shall remain registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act, have the meanings given to it in the 1940 Act.

“Majority Shareholder Vote” shall, for so long as the Trust shall remain registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act, mean a vote of “a majority of the outstanding voting securities” (as such term is defined in the 1940 Act) of the Trust with each class and series of Shares voting together as a single class, except to the extent otherwise required by the 1940 Act or this Declaration with respect to any one or more classes or series of Shares, in which case the applicable proportion of such classes or series of Shares voting as a separate class or series, as case may be, also will be required.

“Person” shall mean and include individuals, corporations, partnerships, trusts, limited liability companies, associations, joint ventures and other entities, whether or not legal entities, and governments and agencies and political subdivisions thereof.

“Principal Underwriter” shall, for so long as the Trust shall remain registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act, have the meanings given to it in the 1940 Act.

“Prospectus” shall mean the Prospectus of the Trust, if any, as in effect from time to time under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

“Shareholders” shall mean as of any particular time the holders of record of outstanding Shares of the Trust, at such time.

“Shares” shall mean the transferable units of beneficial interest into which the beneficial interest in the Trust shall be divided from time to time and includes fractions of Shares as well as whole Shares. In addition, Shares also means any preferred shares or preferred units of beneficial interest which may be issued from time to time, as described herein. All references to Shares shall be deemed to be Shares of any or all series or classes as the context may require.

“Trust” shall mean the trust established by this Declaration, as amended from time to time, inclusive of each such amendment.

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“Trust Property” shall mean as of any particular time any and all property, real or personal, tangible or intangible, which at such time is owned or held by or for the account of the Trust or the Trustees in such capacity.

“Trustees” shall mean the signatories to this Declaration, so long as they shall continue in office in accordance with the terms hereof, and all other persons who at the time in question have been duly elected or appointed and have qualified as trustees in accordance with the provisions hereof and are then in office.

## ARTICLE II

### TRUSTEES

2.1 Number and Qualification. The number of Trustees shall be determined by a written instrument signed by a majority of the Trustees then in office. Except as otherwise provided from time to time by a majority of the Trustees, the number of Trustees shall be no less than two or more than eleven. No reduction in the number of Trustees shall have the effect of removing any Trustee from office prior to the expiration of his term. An individual nominated as a Trustee shall be at least 21 years of age and not older than 80 years of age at the time of nomination, shall not be under legal disability and shall have such other qualifications, satisfy such other requirements and be subject to such other limitations as may be determined from time to time by a majority of the Trustees. Trustees need not own Shares and may succeed themselves in office.

2.2 Term and Election. The Board of Trustees shall be divided into three classes, designated Class I, Class II and Class III. Each class shall consist, as nearly as may be possible, of one-third of the total number of trustees constituting the entire Board of Trustees. Within the limits above specified, the number of the Trustees in each class shall be determined by resolution of the Board of Trustees. As of the date hereof, the term of office of the Class I Trustee(s) shall expire at the annual meeting of the Trust held in 2022, the term of office of the Class II Trustee(s) shall expire at the annual meeting of the Trust held in 2020 and the term of office of the Class III Trustee(s) shall expire at the annual meeting of the Trust held in 2021. Upon expiration of the term of office of each class as set forth above, the number of Trustees in such class, as determined by the Board of Trustees, shall be elected for a term expiring on the date of the third annual meeting of Shareholders or special meeting in lieu thereof following such expiration to succeed the Trustees whose terms of office expire. The Trustees shall be elected at an annual meeting of the Shareholders or special meeting in lieu thereof called for that purpose by a majority of the Trustees then in office or, if no such Trustee then exists, by the President, and each Trustee elected shall hold office until his or her successor shall have been elected and shall have qualified; provided that the term of office of a Trustee shall terminate and a vacancy shall occur in the event of the death, resignation, removal, bankruptcy, adjudicated incompetence or other incapacity to perform the duties of the office of a Trustee.

2.3 Resignation and Removal. Any of the Trustees may resign their trust (without need for prior or subsequent accounting) by an instrument in writing signed by such Trustee and delivered or mailed to the Trustees or the Chairman, if any, the President or the Secretary and such resignation shall be effective upon such delivery, or at a later date according to the terms of the instrument. Any of the Trustees may be removed (provided the aggregate number of Trustees after such removal shall not be less than the minimum number required by Section 2.1 hereof), with or without cause, by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining Trustees. Upon the resignation or removal of a Trustee,

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each such resigning or removed Trustee shall execute and deliver such documents as the remaining Trustees shall require for the purpose of conveying to the Trust or the remaining Trustees any Trust Property held in the name of such resigning or removed Trustee. Upon the incapacity or death of any Trustee, such Trustee's legal representative shall execute and deliver on such Trustee's behalf such documents as the remaining Trustees shall require as provided in the preceding sentence.

2.4 **Vacancies.** Whenever a vacancy in the Board of Trustees shall occur, the remaining Trustees may fill such vacancy by appointing an individual having the qualifications applicable to Trustees by a written instrument signed by a majority of the Trustees then in office or may leave such vacancy unfilled or may reduce the number of Trustees; provided the aggregate number of Trustees after such reduction shall not be less than the minimum number required by Section 2.1 hereof; provided, further, that if the Shareholders of any class or series of Shares are entitled separately to elect one or more Trustees, a majority of the remaining Trustees or the sole remaining Trustee elected by that class or series may fill any vacancy among the number of Trustees elected by that class or series. Any vacancy created by an increase in Trustees may be filled by the appointment of an individual having the qualifications applicable to Trustees made by a written instrument signed by a majority of the Trustees then in office. No vacancy shall operate to annul this Declaration or to revoke any existing agency created pursuant to the terms of this Declaration. Whenever a vacancy in the number of Trustees shall occur, until such vacancy is filled as provided herein, the Trustees in office, regardless of their number, shall have all the powers granted to the Trustees and shall discharge all the duties imposed upon the Trustees by this Declaration.

2.5 **Meetings.** Meetings of the Trustees shall be held from time to time upon the call of the Chairman, if any, or the President or any two Trustees. Regular meetings of the Trustees may be held without call or notice at a time and place fixed by the By-Laws or by resolution of the Trustees. Notice of any other meeting shall be given by the Secretary and shall be delivered to the Trustees orally as soon as practicable before the meeting, but may be waived in writing by any Trustee either before or after such meeting. The attendance of a Trustee at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting except where a Trustee attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business on the ground that the meeting has not been properly called or convened. Any time there is more than one Trustee, a quorum for all meetings of the Trustees shall be determined from time to time by a majority of the Trustees then in office. Unless provided otherwise in this Declaration or the By-Laws and, for so long as the Trust shall remain registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act, except as required under the 1940 Act, any action of the Trustees may be taken at a meeting by vote of a majority of the Trustees present (a quorum being present) or without a meeting by written consent of a majority of the Trustees.

Any committee of the Trustees, including an executive committee, if any, may act with or without a meeting. A quorum for all meetings of any such committee shall be such number as the applicable committee charter may provide. Unless provided otherwise in this Declaration, the By-Laws or the applicable committee charter, any action of any such committee may be taken at a meeting by vote of a majority of the members present (a quorum being present) or without a meeting by written consent of all of the members.

For so long as the Trust shall remain registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act, with respect to actions of the Trustees and any committee of the Trustees, Trustees who are Interested Persons in any action to be taken may be counted for quorum purposes under this Section and shall be entitled to vote to the extent not prohibited by the 1940 Act.

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All or any one or more Trustees may participate in a meeting of the Trustees or any committee thereof by means of a conference telephone or similar communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other; participation in a meeting pursuant to any such communications system shall constitute presence in person at such meeting, subject, for so long as the Trust shall remain registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act, to the requirements of the 1940 Act with respect to attendance in person.

2.6 Trustee Action by Written Consent. Any action which may be taken by Trustees by vote may be taken without a meeting if that number of the Trustees, or members of a committee, as the case may be, required for approval of such action at a meeting of the Trustees or of such committee consent to the action in writing and the written consents are filed with the records of the meetings of Trustees. Such consent shall be treated for all purposes as a vote taken at a meeting of Trustees.

2.7 Officers. The Trustees shall elect a President, a Secretary and a Treasurer and may elect a Chairman who shall serve at the pleasure of the Trustees or until their successors are elected. The Trustees may elect or appoint or may authorize the Chairman, if any, or President to appoint such other officers or agents with such powers as the Trustees may deem to be advisable. A Chairman shall, and the President, Secretary and Treasurer may, but need not, be a Trustee.

### ARTICLE III

#### POWERS AND DUTIES OF TRUSTEES

3.1 General. Trustees shall act in good faith in the manner they reasonably believe to be in the best interest of the Trust as a whole. The Trustees shall have exclusive and absolute control over the Trust Property and over the business of the Trust to the same extent as if the Trustees were the sole owners of the Trust Property and business in their own right, but with such powers of delegation as may be permitted by this Declaration. The Trustees may perform such acts as in their sole discretion are proper for conducting the business of the Trust. The enumeration of any specific power herein shall not be construed as limiting the aforesaid power. Such powers of the Trustees may be exercised without order of or resort to any court.

3.2 Investments. The Trustees shall have power, subject, for so long as the Trust shall remain registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act, to the Fundamental Policies in effect from time to time with respect to the Trust, to:

- (a) manage, conduct, operate and carry on any lawful business activity;
- (b) subscribe for, invest in, reinvest in, purchase or otherwise acquire, hold, pledge, sell, assign, transfer, exchange, distribute or otherwise deal in or dispose of any and all sorts of property, tangible or intangible, including but not limited to interests in real estate and securities of any type whatsoever, whether equity or non-equity, of any issuer, evidences of indebtedness of any person and any other rights, interests, instruments or property of any sort and to exercise any and all rights, powers and privileges of ownership or interest in respect of any and all such investments of every kind and description, including, without limitation, the right to consent and otherwise act with respect thereto, with power to designate one or more Persons to exercise any of said rights, powers and privileges in respect of any of said investments. The Trustees shall not be limited by any law limiting the investments which may be made by fiduciaries.

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3.3 Legal Title. Legal title to all the Trust Property shall be vested in the Trustees as joint tenants except that the Trustees shall have power to cause legal title to any Trust Property to be held by or in the name of one or more of the Trustees, or in the name of the Trust, or in the name of any other Person as nominee, custodian or pledgee, on such terms as the Trustees may determine; provided that the interest of the Trust therein is appropriately protected.

The right, title and interest of the Trustees in the Trust Property shall vest automatically in each person who may hereafter become a Trustee upon his due election and qualification. Upon the ceasing of any person to be a Trustee for any reason, such person shall automatically cease to have any right, title or interest in any of the Trust Property, and the right, title and interest of such Trustee in the Trust Property shall vest automatically in the remaining Trustees. Such vesting and cessation of title shall be effective whether or not conveyancing documents have been executed and delivered.

3.4 Issuance and Repurchase of Shares. The Trustees shall have the power to issue, sell, repurchase, redeem, retire, cancel, acquire, hold, resell, reissue, dispose of, transfer, and otherwise deal in, Shares, including Shares in fractional denominations, and, subject to the more detailed provisions set forth in ARTICLE VIII and ARTICLE IX, to apply to any such repurchase, redemption, retirement, cancellation or acquisition of Shares any funds or property whether capital or surplus or otherwise, to the full extent now or hereafter permitted under the DSTA.

3.5 Borrow Money or Utilize Leverage. Subject to the Fundamental Policies in effect from time to time with respect to the Trust, the Trustees shall have the power to borrow money or otherwise obtain credit or utilize leverage to the maximum extent permitted by law or regulation as such may be needed from time to time and to secure the same by mortgaging, pledging or otherwise subjecting as security the assets of the Trust, including the lending of portfolio securities, and to endorse, guarantee, or undertake the performance of any obligation, contract or engagement of any other person, firm, association or corporation.

3.6 Delegation; Committees. The Trustees shall have the power, consistent with their continuing exclusive authority over the management of the Trust and the Trust Property, to delegate from time to time to such of their number or to officers, employees or agents of the Trust the doing of such things, including any matters set forth in this Declaration, and the execution of such instruments either in the name of the Trust or the names of the Trustees or otherwise as the Trustees may deem expedient. The Trustees may designate one or more committees which shall have all or such lesser portion of the authority of the entire Board of Trustees as the Trustees shall determine from time to time except, for so long as the Trust shall remain registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act, to the extent action by the entire Board of Trustees or particular Trustees is required by the 1940 Act.

3.7 Collection and Payment. The Trustees shall have power to collect all property due to the Trust; to pay all claims, including taxes, against the Trust Property or the Trust, the Trustees or any officer, employee or agent of the Trust; to prosecute, defend, compromise or abandon any claims relating to the Trust Property or the Trust, or the Trustees or any officer, employee or agent of the Trust; to foreclose any security interest securing any obligations, by virtue of which any property is owed to the Trust; and to enter into releases, agreements and other instruments. The Shareholders shall have no power to vote as to whether or not a court action, legal proceeding or claim should or should not be brought or maintained derivatively or as a class action on behalf of the Trust or the Shareholders.

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3.8 Expenses. The Trustees shall have power to incur and pay out of the assets or income of the Trust any expenses which in the opinion of the Trustees are necessary or incidental to carry out any of the purposes of this Declaration, and the business of the Trust, and to pay reasonable compensation from the funds of the Trust to themselves as Trustees. The Trustees shall fix the compensation of all officers, employees and Trustees. The Trustees may pay themselves such compensation for special services, including legal, underwriting, syndicating and brokerage services, as they in good faith may deem reasonable and reimbursement for expenses reasonably incurred by themselves on behalf of the Trust. The Trustees shall have the power, as frequently as they may determine, to cause each Shareholder to pay directly, in advance or arrears, for charges of distribution, of the custodian or transfer, Shareholder servicing or similar agent, a pro rata amount as defined from time to time by the Trustees, by setting off such charges due from such Shareholder from declared but unpaid dividends or distributions owed such Shareholder and/or by reducing the number of shares in the account of such Shareholder by that number of full and/or fractional Shares which represents the outstanding amount of such charges due from such Shareholder.

3.9 By-Laws. The Trustees shall have the exclusive authority to adopt and from time to time amend or repeal By-Laws for the conduct of the business of the Trust.

3.10 Miscellaneous Powers. The Trustees shall have the power to: (a) employ or contract with such Persons as the Trustees may deem desirable for the transaction of the business of the Trust; (b) enter into joint ventures, partnerships and any other combinations or associations; (c) purchase, and pay for out of Trust Property, insurance policies insuring the Shareholders, Trustees, officers, employees, agents, investment advisors, distributors, selected dealers or independent contractors of the Trust against all claims arising by reason of holding any such position or by reason of any action taken or omitted by any such Person in such capacity, whether or not constituting negligence, or whether or not the Trust would have the power to indemnify such Person against such liability; (d) establish pension, profit-sharing, share purchase, and other retirement, incentive and benefit plans for any Trustees, officers, employees and agents of the Trust; (e) make donations, irrespective of benefit to the Trust, for charitable, religious, educational, scientific, civic or similar purposes; (f) to the full extent permitted by law, indemnify any Person with whom the Trust has dealings, including, without limitation, any advisor, administrator, manager, transfer agent, custodian, distributor or selected dealer, or any other person as the Trustees may see fit to such extent as the Trustees shall determine; (g) guarantee indebtedness or contractual obligations of others; (h) determine and change the fiscal year of the Trust and the method in which its accounts shall be kept; (i) notwithstanding the Fundamental Policies of the Trust, convert the Trust to a master-feeder structure; provided, however, for so long as the Trust shall remain registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act, the Trust obtains the approval of shareholders holding at least a majority of the Trust's Shares present at a meeting of Shareholders at which a quorum is present; and (j) adopt a seal for the Trust but the absence of such seal shall not impair the validity of any instrument executed on behalf of the Trust.

3.11 Further Powers. The Trustees shall have the power to conduct the business of the Trust and carry on its operations in any and all of its branches and maintain offices both within and without the State of Delaware, in any and all states of the United States of America, in the District of Columbia, in any foreign country and in any and all commonwealths, municipalities, territories, dependencies, colonies, possessions, agencies or instrumentalities of the United States of America and of foreign governments, and to do all such other things and execute all such instruments as they deem necessary, proper or desirable in order to promote the interests of the Trust although such things are not herein specifically mentioned. Any determination as to what is in the interests of the Trust made by the

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Trustees in good faith shall be conclusive. In construing the provisions of this Declaration, the presumption shall be in favor of a grant of power to the Trustees. The Trustees will not be required to obtain any court order to deal with the Trust Property.

#### ARTICLE IV

##### ADVISORY, MANAGEMENT AND DISTRIBUTION ARRANGEMENTS

4.1 Advisory and Management Arrangements. Subject, for so long as the Trust shall remain registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act, to the requirements of the 1940 Act, the Trustees may in their discretion from time to time enter into advisory, administration or management contracts (including, in each case, one or more sub-advisory, sub-administration or sub-management contracts) whereby the other party to any such contract shall undertake to furnish such advisory, administrative and management services with respect to the Trust as the Trustees shall from time to time consider desirable and all upon such terms and conditions as the Trustees may in their discretion determine. Notwithstanding any provisions of this Declaration, the Trustees may authorize any advisor, administrator or manager (subject to such general or specific instructions as the Trustees may from time to time adopt) to exercise any of the powers of the Trustees, including to effect investment transactions with respect to the assets on behalf of the Trust to the full extent of the power of the Trustees to effect such transactions or may authorize any officer, employee or Trustee to effect such transactions pursuant to recommendations of any such advisor, administrator or manager (and all without further action by the Trustees). Any such investment transaction shall be deemed to have been authorized by all of the Trustees.

4.2 Distribution Arrangements. Subject, for so long as the Trust shall remain registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act, to the requirements of the 1940 Act, the Trustees may retain underwriters and/or placement agents to sell Shares and other securities of the Trust. The Trustees may in their discretion from time to time enter into one or more contracts, providing for the sale of securities of the Trust, whereby the Trust may either agree to sell such securities to the other party to the contract or appoint such other party its sales agent for such securities. In either case, the contract shall be on such terms and conditions as the Trustees may in their discretion determine not inconsistent with the provisions of this ARTICLE IV or the By-Laws; and such contract may also provide for the repurchase or sale of securities of the Trust by such other party as principal or as agent of the Trust and may provide that such other party may enter into selected dealer agreements with registered securities dealers and brokers and servicing and similar agreements with persons who are not registered securities dealers to further the purposes of the distribution or repurchase of the securities of the Trust.

4.3 Parties to Contract. Any contract of the character described in Sections 4.1 and 4.2 of this ARTICLE IV or in ARTICLE VII hereof or otherwise may be entered into with any Person, although one or more of the Trustees, officers or employees of the Trust may be an officer, director, trustee, shareholder, or member of such other party to the contract, and no such contract shall be invalidated or rendered voidable by reason of the existence of any such relationship, nor shall any Person holding such relationship be liable merely by reason of such relationship for any loss or expense to the Trust under or by reason of said contract or accountable for any profit realized directly or indirectly therefrom; provided that the contract when entered into was reasonable and fair and not in violation of this Declaration or the By-Laws. The same Person may be the other party to contracts entered into pursuant to Sections 4.1 and 4.2 above or ARTICLE VII hereof or otherwise, and any individual may be financially interested or otherwise affiliated with Persons who are parties to any or all of the contracts mentioned in this Section 4.3.

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## ARTICLE V

LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNIFICATION

5.1 No Personal Liability of Shareholders, Trustees, etc. No Shareholder of the Trust shall be subject in such capacity to any personal liability whatsoever to any Person in connection with Trust Property or the acts, obligations or affairs of the Trust. Shareholders shall have the limitation of personal liability provided under the DSTA. No Trustee or officer of the Trust shall be subject in such capacity to any personal liability whatsoever to any Person, save only, for so long as the Trust shall remain registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act, liability to the Trust or its Shareholders arising from bad faith, willful misfeasance, gross negligence or reckless disregard for his duty to such Person; and, subject to the foregoing exception, all such Persons shall look solely to the Trust Property for satisfaction of claims of any nature arising in connection with the affairs of the Trust. If any Shareholder, Trustee or officer, as such, of the Trust, is made a party to any suit or proceeding to enforce any such liability, subject to the foregoing exception, he shall not, on account thereof, be held to any personal liability. Any repeal or modification of this Section 5.1 shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a Trustee or officer of the Trust existing at the time of such repeal or modification with respect to acts or omissions occurring prior to such repeal or modification.

5.2 Mandatory Indemnification. (a) Subject to any limitations or requirements contained in the By-Laws, the Trust hereby agrees to indemnify each person who at any time serves as a Trustee or officer of the Trust (each such person being an "indemnatee") against any liabilities and expenses, including amounts paid in satisfaction of judgments, in compromise or as fines and penalties, and reasonable counsel fees reasonably incurred by such indemnatee in connection with the defense or disposition of any action, suit or other proceeding, whether civil or criminal, before any court or administrative or investigative body in which he may be or may have been involved as a party or otherwise or with which he may be or may have been threatened, while acting in any capacity set forth in this ARTICLE V by reason of his having acted in any such capacity, except with respect to any matter as to which he shall not have acted in good faith in the reasonable belief that his action was in the best interest of the Trust or, in the case of any criminal proceeding, as to which he shall have had reasonable cause to believe that the conduct was unlawful; provided, however, that, for so long as the Trust shall remain registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act, no indemnatee shall be indemnified hereunder against any liability to any person or any expense of such indemnatee arising by reason of (i) willful misfeasance, (ii) bad faith, (iii) gross negligence, or (iv) reckless disregard of the duties involved in the conduct of his position (the conduct referred to in such clauses (i) through (iv) being sometimes referred to herein as "disabling conduct"). Notwithstanding the foregoing, with respect to any action, suit or other proceeding voluntarily prosecuted by any indemnatee as plaintiff, indemnification shall be mandatory only if the prosecution of such action, suit or other proceeding by such indemnatee (1) was authorized by a majority of the Trustees or (2) was instituted by the indemnatee to enforce his or her rights to indemnification hereunder in a case in which the indemnatee is found to be entitled to such indemnification. The rights to indemnification set forth in this Declaration shall continue as to a person who has ceased to be a Trustee or officer of the Trust and shall inure to the benefit of his or her heirs, executors and personal and legal representatives. No amendment or restatement of this Declaration or repeal of any of its provisions shall limit or eliminate any of the benefits provided to any person who at any time is or was a Trustee or officer of the Trust or otherwise entitled to indemnification hereunder in respect of any act or omission that occurred prior to such amendment, restatement or repeal.

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(b) Notwithstanding the foregoing, for so long as the Trust shall remain registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act, no indemnification shall be made hereunder unless there has been a determination (i) by a final decision on the merits by a court or other body of competent jurisdiction before whom the issue of entitlement to indemnification hereunder was brought that such indemnitee is entitled to indemnification hereunder or, (ii) in the absence of such a decision, by (1) a majority vote of a quorum of those Trustees who are neither “interested persons” of the Trust (as defined in Section 2(a)(19) of the 1940 Act) nor parties to the proceeding (“Disinterested Non-Party Trustees”), that the indemnitee is entitled to indemnification hereunder, or (2) if such quorum is not obtainable or even if obtainable, if such majority so directs, independent legal counsel in a written opinion concludes that the indemnitee should be entitled to indemnification hereunder. All determinations to make advance payments in connection with the expense of defending any proceeding shall be authorized and made in accordance with the immediately succeeding paragraph (c) below.

(c) The Trust shall make advance payments in connection with the expenses of defending any action with respect to which indemnification might be sought hereunder if the Trust receives a written affirmation by the indemnitee of the indemnitee’s good faith belief that the standards of conduct necessary for indemnification have been met and a written undertaking to reimburse the Trust unless it is subsequently determined that the indemnitee is entitled to such indemnification and if a majority of the Trustees determine that the applicable standards of conduct necessary for indemnification appear to have been met. In addition, at least one of the following conditions must be met: (i) the indemnitee shall provide adequate security for his undertaking, (ii) the Trust shall be insured against losses arising by reason of any lawful advances, or (iii) a majority of a quorum of Trustees not party to the action (or, for so long as the Trust shall remain registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act, the Disinterested Non-Party Trustees), or if a majority vote of such quorum so direct, independent legal counsel in a written opinion, shall conclude, based on a review of readily available facts (as opposed to a full trial-type inquiry), that there is substantial reason to believe that the indemnitee ultimately will be found entitled to indemnification.

(d) The rights accruing to any indemnitee under these provisions shall not exclude any other right which any person may have or hereafter acquire under this Declaration, the By-Laws of the Trust, any statute, agreement, vote of Shareholders or Trustees (provided that, for so long as the Trust shall remain registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act, such vote includes the vote of a majority of the Trustees who are not “interested persons,” as defined in Section 2(a)(19) of the 1940 Act) or any other right to which he or she may be lawfully entitled.

(e) Subject to (1), for so long as the Trust shall remain registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act, any limitations provided by the 1940 Act and (2) this Declaration, the Trust shall have the power and authority to indemnify and provide for the advance payment of expenses to employees, agents and other Persons providing services to the Trust or serving in any capacity at the request of the Trust to the full extent permitted by law and may indemnify or provide for the advance payment of expenses for such Persons; provided that such indemnification has been approved by a majority of the Trustees.

**5.3 No Bond Required of Trustees.** No Trustee shall, as such, be obligated to give any bond or other security for the performance of any of his duties hereunder.

**5.4 No Duty of Investigation; No Notice in Trust Instruments, etc.** No purchaser, lender, transfer agent or other person dealing with the Trustees or with any officer, employee or agent of the

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Trust shall be bound to make any inquiry concerning the validity of any transaction purporting to be made by the Trustees or by said officer, employee or agent or be liable for the application of money or property paid, loaned, or delivered to or on the order of the Trustees or of said officer, employee or agent. Every obligation, contract, undertaking, instrument, certificate, Share, other security of the Trust, and every other act or thing whatsoever executed in connection with the Trust shall be conclusively taken to have been executed or done by the executors thereof only in their capacity as Trustees under this Declaration or in their capacity as officers, employees or agents of the Trust. The Trustees may maintain insurance for the protection of the Trust Property, the Shareholders, Trustees, officers, employees and agents in such amount as the Trustees shall deem adequate to cover possible tort liability, and such other insurance as the Trustees in their sole judgment shall deem advisable or is required by the 1940 Act.

5.5 Reliance on Experts, etc. Each Trustee and officer or employee of the Trust shall, in the performance of its duties, be fully and completely justified and protected with regard to any act or any failure to act resulting from reliance in good faith upon the books of account or other records of the Trust, upon an opinion of counsel, or upon reports made to the Trust by any of the Trust's officers or employees or by any advisor, administrator, manager, distributor, selected dealer, accountant, appraiser or other expert or consultant selected with reasonable care by the Trustees, officers or employees of the Trust, regardless of whether such counsel or expert may also be a Trustee.

## ARTICLE VI

### SHARES OF BENEFICIAL INTEREST

6.1 Beneficial Interest. The interest of the beneficiaries hereunder shall be divided into an unlimited number of transferable shares of beneficial interest, par value \$.001 per share. All Shares issued in accordance with the terms hereof, including, without limitation, Shares issued in connection with a dividend in Shares or a split of Shares, shall be fully paid and, except as provided in the last sentence of Section 3.8, nonassessable when the consideration determined by the Trustees (if any) therefor shall have been received by the Trust.

6.2 Other Securities. The Trustees may, subject, for so long as the Trust shall remain registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act, to the Fundamental Policies and the requirements of the 1940 Act, authorize and issue such other securities of the Trust as they determine to be necessary, desirable or appropriate, having such terms, rights, preferences, privileges, limitations and restrictions as the Trustees see fit, including multiple classes of common shares, preferred interests, debt securities or other senior securities. To the extent that the Trustees authorize and issue additional shares of any class or series, they are hereby authorized and empowered to amend or supplement this Declaration as they deem necessary or appropriate, including to comply with the requirements of any applicable law or requirements imposed by the rating agencies or other Persons, all without the approval of Shareholders. Any such supplement or amendment shall be filed as is necessary. The Trustees are also authorized to take such actions and retain such persons as they see fit to offer and sell such securities.

6.3 Rights of Shareholders. The Shares shall be personal property giving only the rights in this Declaration specifically set forth. The ownership of the Trust Property of every description and the right to conduct any business herein before described are vested exclusively in the Trustees, and the Shareholders shall have no interest therein other than the beneficial interest conferred by their Shares, and they shall have no right to call for any partition or division of any property, profits, rights or



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interests of the Trust nor can they be called upon to share or assume any losses of the Trust or, subject to the right of the Trustees to charge certain expenses directly to Shareholders, as provided in the last sentence of Section 3.8, suffer an assessment of any kind by virtue of their ownership of Shares. The Shares shall not entitle the holder to preference, preemptive, appraisal, conversion or exchange rights (except as specified in this Section 6.3, in Section 11.4 or as specified by the Trustees when creating any class or series of Shares).

6.4 Trust Only. It is the intention of the Trustees to create only the relationship of Trustee and beneficiary between the Trustees and each Shareholder from time to time. It is not the intention of the Trustees to create a general partnership, limited partnership, joint stock association, corporation, bailment or any form of legal relationship other than a trust. Nothing in this Declaration shall be construed to make the Shareholders, either by themselves or with the Trustees, partners or members of a joint stock association.

6.5 Issuance of Shares. The Trustees, in their discretion, may from time to time without vote of the Shareholders issue Shares including preferred shares that may have been established pursuant to Section 6.2, in addition to the then issued and outstanding Shares and Shares held in the treasury, to such party or parties and for such amount and type of consideration, including cash or property, at such time or times, and on such terms as the Trustees may determine, and may in such manner acquire other assets (including the acquisition of assets subject to, and in connection with the assumption of, liabilities) and businesses. The Trustees may from time to time divide or combine the Shares into a greater or lesser number without thereby changing the proportionate beneficial interest in such Shares. Issuances and redemptions of Shares may be made in whole Shares and/or 1/1,000ths of a Share or multiples thereof as the Trustees may determine.

6.6 Register of Shares. A register shall be kept at the offices of the Trust or any transfer agent duly appointed by the Trustees under the direction of the Trustees which shall contain the names and addresses of the Shareholders and the number of Shares held by them respectively and a record of all transfers thereof. Separate registers shall be established and maintained for each class or series of Shares. Each such register shall be conclusive as to who are the holders of the Shares of the applicable class or series of Shares and who shall be entitled to receive dividends or distributions or otherwise to exercise or enjoy the rights of Shareholders. No Shareholder shall be entitled to receive payment of any dividend or distribution, nor to have notice given to him as herein provided, until he has given his address to a transfer agent or such other officer or agent of the Trustees as shall keep the register for entry thereon. It is not contemplated that certificates will be issued for the Shares; however, the Trustees, in their discretion, may authorize the issuance of share certificates and promulgate appropriate fees therefore and rules and regulations as to their use.

6.7 Transfer Agent and Registrar. The Trustees shall have power to employ a transfer agent or transfer agents, and a registrar or registrars, with respect to the Shares. The transfer agent or transfer agents may keep the applicable register and record therein, the original issues and transfers, if any, of the said Shares. Any such transfer agents and/or registrars shall perform the duties usually performed by transfer agents and registrars of certificates of stock in a corporation, as modified by the Trustees.

6.8 Transfer of Shares. Shares shall be transferable on the records of the Trust only by the record holder thereof or by its agent thereto duly authorized in writing, upon delivery to the Trustees or a transfer agent of the Trust of a duly executed instrument of transfer, together with such evidence of the genuineness of each such execution and authorization and of other matters (including compliance

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with any securities laws and contractual restrictions) as may reasonably be required. Upon such delivery the transfer shall be recorded on the applicable register of the Trust. Until such record is made, the Shareholder of record shall be deemed to be the holder of such Shares for all purposes hereof and neither the Trustees nor any transfer agent or registrar nor any officer, employee or agent of the Trust shall be affected by any notice of the proposed transfer.

Any person becoming entitled to any Shares in consequence of the death, bankruptcy, or incompetence of any Shareholder, or otherwise by operation of law, shall be recorded on the applicable register of Shares as the holder of such Shares upon production of the proper evidence thereof to the Trustees or a transfer agent of the Trust, but until such record is made, the Shareholder of record shall be deemed to be the holder of such for all purposes hereof, and neither the Trustees nor any transfer agent or registrar nor any officer or agent of the Trust shall be affected by any notice of such death, bankruptcy or incompetence, or other operation of law.

6.9 Notices. Any and all notices to which any Shareholder hereunder may be entitled and any and all communications shall be deemed duly served or given (1) if mailed, postage prepaid, addressed to any Shareholder of record at his last known address as recorded on the applicable register of the Trust; (2) by press release or posting on the Trust's publicly available website together in either case with the filing of a Form 8-K; or (3) such other method as the Trustees may determine.

## ARTICLE VII

### CUSTODIANS

7.1 Appointment and Duties. The Trustees shall at all times employ a custodian or custodians, for so long as the Trust shall remain registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act, meeting the qualifications for custodians for portfolio securities of investment companies contained in the 1940 Act, as custodian with respect to the assets of the Trust. Any custodian shall have authority as agent of the Trust as determined by the custodian agreement or agreements, but subject to such restrictions, limitations and other requirements, if any, as may be contained in the By-Laws of the Trust and, for so long as the Trust shall remain registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act, the 1940 Act, including without limitation authority:

- (1) to hold the securities owned by the Trust and deliver the same upon written order;
- (2) to receive any receipt for any moneys due to the Trust and deposit the same in its own banking department (if a bank) or elsewhere as the Trustees may direct;
- (3) to disburse such funds upon orders or vouchers;
- (4) if authorized by the Trustees, to keep the books and accounts of the Trust and furnish clerical and accounting services; and
- (5) if authorized to do so by the Trustees, to compute the net income or net asset value of the Trust; all upon such basis of compensation as may be agreed upon between the Trustees and the custodian.

The Trustees may also authorize each custodian to employ one or more sub-custodians from time to time to perform such of the acts and services of the custodian and upon such terms and conditions, as may be agreed upon between the custodian and such sub-custodian and approved by the Trustees; provided that, for so long as the Trust shall remain registered as an investment company

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under the 1940 Act, in every case such sub-custodian shall meet the qualifications for custodians contained in the 1940 Act.

7.2 Central Certificate System. Subject to such rules, regulations and orders as the Commission may adopt, the Trustees may direct the custodian to deposit all or any part of the securities owned by the Trust in a system for the central handling of securities established by a national securities exchange or a national securities association registered with the Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or such other Person as may be permitted by the Commission, or otherwise, for so long as the Trust shall remain registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act, in accordance with the 1940 Act, pursuant to which system all securities of any particular class of any issuer deposited within the system are treated as fungible and may be transferred or pledged by bookkeeping entry without physical delivery of such securities; provided that all such deposits shall be subject to withdrawal only upon the order of the Trust.

## ARTICLE VIII

### REDEMPTION

8.1 Redemptions. Except as otherwise provided by a majority of Trustees, the Shares of the Trust are not redeemable by the holders.

8.2 Disclosure of Holding. The holders of Shares or other securities of the Trust shall upon demand disclose to the Trustees in writing such information with respect to direct and indirect ownership of Shares or other securities of the Trust as the Trustees deem necessary to comply with the provisions of the Code or other applicable laws or regulations, or to comply with the requirements of any other taxing or regulatory authority or as the Trustees may otherwise determine is necessary or desirable.

## ARTICLE IX

### DETERMINATION OF NET ASSET VALUE NET INCOME AND DISTRIBUTIONS

9.1 Net Asset Value. For so long as the Trust shall remain registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act, the net asset value of each outstanding Share of the Trust shall be determined at such time or times on such days as the Trustees may determine, in accordance with the 1940 Act. The method of determination of net asset value shall be determined by the Trustees and shall be as set forth in the Prospectus or as may otherwise be determined by the Trustees. The power and duty to make the net asset value calculations may be delegated by the Trustees and shall be as generally set forth in the Prospectus or as may otherwise be determined by the Trustees.

9.2 Distributions to Shareholders. (a) The Trustees shall from time to time distribute ratably among the Shareholders of any class of Shares, or any series of any such class, in accordance with the number of outstanding full and fractional Shares of such class or any series of such class, such proportion of the net profits, surplus (including paid-in surplus), capital, or assets held by the Trustees as they may deem proper or as may otherwise be determined in accordance with this Declaration. Any such distribution may be made in cash or property (including without limitation any type of obligations of the Trust or any assets thereof) or Shares of any class or series or any combination thereof, and the Trustees may distribute ratably among the Shareholders of any class of shares or series of any such

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class, in accordance with the number of outstanding full and fractional Shares of such class or any series of such class, additional Shares of any class or series in such manner, at such times, and on such terms as the Trustees may deem proper or as may otherwise be determined in accordance with this Declaration.

(b) Distributions pursuant to this Section 9.2 may be among the Shareholders of record of the applicable class or series of Shares at the time of declaring a distribution or among the Shareholders of record at such later date as the Trustees shall determine and specify.

(c) The Trustees may always retain from the net profits such amount as they may deem necessary to pay the debts or expenses of the Trust or to meet obligations of the Trust, or as they otherwise may deem desirable to use in the conduct of its affairs or to retain for future requirements or extensions of the business.

(d) Inasmuch as the computation of net income and gains for Federal income tax purposes may vary from the computation thereof on the books, the above provisions shall be interpreted to give the Trustees the power in their discretion to distribute for any fiscal year as ordinary dividends and as capital gains distributions, respectively, additional amounts sufficient to enable the Trust to avoid or reduce liability for taxes.

9.3 Power to Modify Foregoing Procedures. Notwithstanding any of the foregoing provisions of this ARTICLE IX, the Trustees may prescribe, in their absolute discretion except, for so long as the Trust shall remain registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act, as may be required by the 1940 Act, such other bases and times for determining the per share asset value of the Trust's Shares or net income, or the declaration and payment of dividends and distributions as they may deem necessary or desirable for any reason, including to enable the Trust to comply with any provision of the 1940 Act, or any securities exchange or association registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or any order of exemption issued by the Commission, all as in effect now or hereafter amended or modified.

## ARTICLE X

### SHAREHOLDERS

10.1 Meetings of Shareholders. The Trust shall, to the extent required by applicable law, rules or regulations, hold annual meetings of the Shareholders. A special meeting of Shareholders may be called at any time by a majority of the Trustees or the President and shall be called by any Trustee for any proper purpose upon written request of Shareholders of the Trust holding in the aggregate not less than 51% of the outstanding Shares of the Trust or class or series of Shares having voting rights on the matter, such request specifying the purpose or purposes for which such meeting is to be called. Any shareholder meeting, including a Special Meeting, shall be held within or without the State of Delaware on such day and at such time as the Trustees shall designate.

10.2 Voting. Shareholders shall have no power to vote on any matter except matters on which a vote of Shareholders is required by this Section 10.2, Section 11.2(a), Section 11.3, Section 11.4, Section 11.6 and Section 11.7 of this Declaration or by resolution of the Trustees. This Declaration expressly provides that no matter for which voting is required by the Statutory Trust Act in the absence of the contrary provision in the Declaration shall require any vote. Except as otherwise provided herein, any matter required to be submitted to Shareholders and affecting one or more classes

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or series of Shares shall require approval by the required vote of all the affected classes and series of Shares voting together as a single class; provided, however, that as to any matter with respect to which a separate vote of any class or series of Shares is provided for by resolution of the Trustees, such requirement as to a separate vote by that class or series of Shares shall apply in addition to a vote of all the affected classes and series voting together as a single class. Shareholders of a particular class or series of Shares shall not be entitled to vote on any matter that affects only one or more other classes or series of Shares. There shall be no cumulative voting in the election or removal of Trustees.

10.3 Notice of Meeting and Record Date. Notice of all meetings of Shareholders, stating the time, place and purposes of the meeting, shall be given by the Trustees by mail to each Shareholder of record entitled to vote thereat at its registered address, mailed at least 10 days and not more than 120 days before the meeting or otherwise in compliance with applicable law. Only the business stated in the notice of the meeting shall be considered at such meeting. Any postponed or adjourned meeting may be held as postponed or adjourned one or more times without further notice not later than 120 days after the original meeting date. For the purposes of determining the Shareholders who are entitled to notice of and to vote at any meeting the Trustees may, without closing the transfer books, fix a date not more than 120 nor less than 10 days prior to the date of such meeting of Shareholders as a record date for the determination of the Persons to be treated as Shareholders of record for such purposes.

10.4 Quorum and Required Vote. (a) Subject to such greater or lesser amount determined by the Trustees as to any or all matters, the holders of a majority of the Shares entitled to vote on any matter at a meeting present in person or by proxy shall constitute a quorum at such meeting of the Shareholders for purposes of conducting business on such matter. The absence from any meeting, in person or by proxy, of a quorum of Shareholders for action upon any given matter shall not prevent action at such meeting upon any other matter or matters which may properly come before the meeting, if there shall be present thereat, in person or by proxy, a quorum of Shareholders in respect of such other matters.

(b) Subject to any provision of this Declaration or a resolution of the Trustees specifying a greater or a lesser vote requirement for the transaction of any item of business at any meeting of Shareholders, (i) with respect to the election of Trustees, the affirmative vote of a plurality of the Shares represented in person or by proxy at any meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the shareholders with respect to such matters, (ii) with respect to all other matters, the affirmative vote of a majority of the Shares present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote on the subject matter shall be the act of the Shareholders with respect to such matter, and (iii) where a separate vote of one or more classes or series of Shares is required on any matter, the affirmative vote of a majority of the Shares of such class or series of Shares present in person or represented by proxy at the meeting shall be the act of the Shareholders of such class or series with respect to such matter. Any purported vote of any Shareholders which purported vote does not meet the requirements of applicable state or federal law may be disregarded as invalid if so determined by the Trustees or the chairman of any meeting of shareholders. In such event, such shares shall nevertheless be counted for purposes of determining whether a quorum is present.

10.5 Proxies, etc. At any meeting of Shareholders, any holder of Shares entitled to vote thereat may vote by properly executed proxy; provided that no proxy shall be voted at any meeting unless it shall have been placed on file with the Secretary, or with such other officer or agent of the Trust as the Secretary may direct, for verification prior to the time at which such vote shall be taken. Pursuant to a resolution of a majority of the Trustees, proxies may be solicited in the name of one or

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more Trustees or one or more of the officers or employees of the Trust. No proxy shall be valid after the expiration of 11 months from the date thereof, unless otherwise provided in the proxy. Only Shareholders of record shall be entitled to vote. Each full Share shall be entitled to one vote and fractional Shares shall be entitled to a vote of such fraction. When any Share is held jointly by several persons, any one of them may vote at any meeting in person or by proxy in respect of such Share, but if more than one of them shall be present at such meeting in person or by proxy, and such joint owners or their proxies so present disagree as to any vote to be cast, such vote shall not be received in respect of such Share. A proxy purporting to be executed by or on behalf of a Shareholder shall be deemed valid unless challenged at or prior to its exercise. If the holder of any such Share is a minor or a person of unsound mind, and subject to guardianship or to the legal control of any other person as regards the charge or management of such Share, he may vote by his guardian or such other person appointed or having such control, and such vote may be given in person or by proxy.

10.6 Reports. The Trustees shall cause to be prepared at least annually and more frequently to the extent and in the form required by law, regulation or any exchange on which Trust Shares are listed a report of operations containing a balance sheet and statement of income and undistributed income of the Trust prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles and an opinion of an independent public accountant on such financial statements. Copies of such reports shall be mailed to all Shareholders of record within the time required by applicable federal law or stock exchange requirements, and in any event within a reasonable period preceding any annual meeting of Shareholders. The Trustees shall, in addition, furnish to the Shareholders to the extent required by law, interim reports containing an unaudited balance sheet of the Trust as of the end of such period and an unaudited statement of income and surplus for the period from the beginning of the current fiscal year to the end of such period.

10.7 Inspection of Records. Shareholders shall have the right to inspect the records of the Trust, including, without limitation, Shareholder lists, documents, accounts and books of the Trust only to the extent inalienably granted under the DSTA; all other such rights whether or not provided in the DSTA are expressly precluded. All Shareholders' requests to inspect the records of the Trust shall be submitted by Shareholders to the Trustees in writing. Upon receipt of such requests, the Trustees may in their discretion establish procedures for any permitted inspections. To preserve the integrity of the Trust's records, the Trustees may provide certified copies of Trust records rather than originals. The Trustees shall not be required to create records or obtain records from third parties to satisfy Shareholders' requests. The Trustees may require Shareholders to pay in advance or otherwise indemnify the Trust for the costs and expenses of Shareholders' inspection of records. Nothing in this Section 10.7 is intended nor shall be construed to permit Shareholders to inspect the records of the Trust except as may be required by the DSTA or permitted by the Trustees in their discretion.

10.8 Shareholder Action by Written Consent. Except as otherwise provided by a majority of the Trustees then in office, shareholder action may only be taken at a duly called and held meeting of Shareholders called for such purpose, and not by written consent.

#### ARTICLE XI

##### DURATION; TERMINATION OF TRUST; AMENDMENT; MERGERS, ETC.

11.1 Duration. Subject to possible termination in accordance with the provisions of Section 11.2 hereof, the Trust created hereby shall have perpetual existence.

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11.2 Termination. (a) The Trust may be dissolved, only upon approval of not less than 80% of the Trustees. Upon the dissolution of the Trust:

(i) The Trust shall carry on no business except for the purpose of winding up its affairs.

(ii) The Trustees shall proceed to wind up the affairs of the Trust and all of the powers of the Trustees under this Declaration shall continue until the affairs of the Trust shall have been wound up, including the power to fulfill or discharge the contracts of the Trust, collect its assets, sell, convey, assign, exchange, merge where the Trust is not the survivor, transfer or otherwise dispose of all or any part of the remaining Trust Property to one or more Persons at public or private sale for consideration which may consist in whole or in part in cash, securities or other property of any kind, discharge or pay its liabilities, and do all other acts appropriate to liquidate its business; provided that any sale, conveyance, assignment, exchange, merger in which the Trust is not the survivor, transfer or other disposition of all or substantially all the Trust Property of the Trust (measured at the time that such termination was originally approved by 80% of the Trustees as set forth in this Section 11.2(a)) shall require approval of the principal terms of the transaction and the nature and amount of the consideration by Shareholders with the same vote as set forth under Section 11.3(b) of this Declaration.

(iii) After paying or adequately providing for the payment of all liabilities, and upon receipt of such releases, indemnities and refunding agreements, as they deem necessary for their protection, the Trustees may distribute the remaining Trust Property, in cash or in kind or partly each, among the Shareholders according to their respective rights.

(b) After the winding up and termination of the Trust and distribution to the Shareholders as herein provided, a majority of the Trustees shall execute and lodge among the records of the Trust an instrument in writing setting forth the fact of such termination and shall execute and file a certificate of cancellation with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware. Upon termination of the Trust, the Trustees shall thereupon be discharged from all further liabilities and duties hereunder, and the rights and interests of all Shareholders shall thereupon cease.

11.3 Amendment Procedure. (a) This Declaration may only be amended if such amendment is approved by a majority of the Trustees. Except as provided in Section 11.3(b), the Trustees may amend this Declaration without any vote of Shareholders of any class or series to divide the Shares of the Trust into one or more classes or additional classes, or one or more series of any such class or classes, to determine the rights, powers, preferences, limitations and restrictions of any class or series of Shares, to change the name of the Trust or any class or series of Shares, to make any change that does not adversely affect the relative rights or preferences of any individual Shareholder as compared to the rights and preferences of other Shareholders of the same class and series of Shares, as they may deem necessary or appropriate.

(b) No amendment may be made to Section 5.1, Section 5.2, Section 10.2 Section 11.2(a), this Section 11.3, Section 11.4, Section 11.6 or Section 11.7 of this Declaration and no amendment may be made to this Declaration which would change any rights with respect to any Shares of the Trust by reducing any stated amount payable thereon in preference over all other classes or series of Shares upon liquidation of the Trust or by eliminating any voting rights pertaining thereto set forth in

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Section 10.2 of this Declaration (provided that nothing in this Section 11.3(b) shall limit the ability of the Trustees to authorize, and to cause the Trust to issue, other securities pursuant to Section 6.2), except after a majority of the Trustees have approved a resolution therefor, by the affirmative vote of the holders of not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the Shares of each affected class or series outstanding, voting as separate classes or series, unless such amendment has been approved by 80% of the Trustees, in which case approval of Shareholders as set forth in Section 10.4 shall be required. Nothing contained in this Declaration shall permit the amendment of this Declaration to impair the exemption from personal liability of the Shareholders, Trustees, officers, employees and agents of the Trust or to permit assessments upon holders of then outstanding Shares.

(c) To the extent that Shareholders are entitled to vote on any matter that in the judgement of the Board of Trustees would prevent, impede or make less efficient or more costly the implementation of the proposals adopted by Shareholders at the Special Meeting of Shareholders held on \_\_\_\_\_, 2020 or the realization of the benefits sought thereby, notwithstanding any other provision of the Declaration, such matter shall, unless otherwise determined by the vote of at least 80% of the Board of Trustees, require the affirmative vote of not less than 75% of the outstanding Shares.

(d) An amendment duly adopted by the requisite vote of the Board of Trustees and, if required, the Shareholders as aforesaid, shall become effective at the time of such adoption or at such other time as may be designated by the Board of Trustees or Shareholders, as the case may be. A certification in recordable form signed by a majority of the Trustees setting forth an amendment and reciting that it was duly adopted by the Trustees and, if required, the Shareholders as aforesaid, or a copy of the Declaration, as amended, in recordable form, and executed by a majority of the Trustees, shall be conclusive evidence of such amendment when lodged among the records of the Trust or at such other time designated by the Board.

11.4 Merger, Consolidation and Sale of Assets. Except as provided in Section 11.7, the Trust may merge or consolidate with any other corporation, association, trust or other organization or may sell, lease or exchange all or substantially all of the Trust Property or the property, including its good will, upon such terms and conditions and for such consideration when and as authorized by two-thirds of the Trustees; provided that any merger or consolidation in which the Trust is not the surviving entity, or sale, lease or exchange of all or substantially all of the Trust Property of the Trust (measured at the time that such transaction was originally approved by two-thirds of the Trustees as set forth in this Section 11.4) shall require approval by Shareholders as set forth under Section 11.3(b) of this Declaration and any such merger, consolidation, sale, lease or exchange shall be determined for all purposes to have been accomplished under and pursuant to the laws of the State of Delaware.

11.5 Subsidiaries. Without approval by Shareholders, the Trustees may cause to be organized or assist in organizing one or more corporations, trusts, partnerships, associations or other organizations to take over all of the Trust Property or to carry on any business in which the Trust shall directly or indirectly have any interest, and to sell, convey and transfer all or a portion of the Trust Property to any such corporation, trust, limited liability company, association or organization in exchange for the shares or securities thereof, or otherwise, and to lend money to, subscribe for the shares or securities of, and enter into any contracts with any such corporation, trust, limited liability company, partnership, association or organization, or any corporation, partnership, trust, limited liability company, association or organization in which the Trust holds or is about to acquire shares or any other interests.



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11.6 Conversion. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Declaration or the By-Laws of the Trust, for so long as the Trust shall remain registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act, a favorable vote of a majority of the Trustees then in office followed by the favorable vote of the holders of not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the Shares of each affected class or series outstanding, voting as separate classes or series, shall be required to approve, adopt or authorize an amendment to this Declaration that makes the Shares a “redeemable security” as that term is defined in the 1940 Act, unless such amendment has been approved by 80% of the Trustees, in which case approval by a Majority Shareholder Vote shall be required. Upon the adoption of a proposal to convert the Trust from a “closed-end company” to an “open-end company” as those terms are defined by the 1940 Act and the necessary amendments to this Declaration to permit such a conversion of the Trust’s outstanding Shares entitled to vote, the Trust shall, upon complying with any requirements of the 1940 Act and state law, become an “open-end” investment company. Such affirmative vote or consent shall be in addition to the vote or consent of the holders of the Shares otherwise required by law, or any agreement between the Trust and any national securities exchange.

11.7 Certain Transactions. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Declaration and subject to the exceptions provided in paragraph (d) of this Section 11.7, the types of transactions described in paragraph (c) of this Section 11.7 shall require the affirmative vote or consent of a majority of the Trustees then in office followed by the affirmative vote of the holders of not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the Shares of each affected class or series outstanding, voting as separate classes or series, when a Principal Shareholder (as defined in paragraph (b) of this Section 11.7) is a party to the transaction. Such affirmative vote or consent shall be in addition to the vote or consent of the holders of Shares otherwise required by law or by the terms of any class or series of preferred stock, whether now or hereafter authorized, or any agreement between the Trust and any national securities exchange.

(b) The term “Principal Shareholder” shall mean any corporation, Person or other entity which is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of five percent (5%) or more of the outstanding Shares of all outstanding classes or series and shall include any affiliate or associate, as such terms are defined in clause (ii) below, of a Principal Shareholder. For the purposes of this Section 11.7, in addition to the Shares which a corporation, Person or other entity beneficially owns directly, (a) any corporation, Person or other entity shall be deemed to be the beneficial owner of any Shares (i) which it has the right to acquire pursuant to any agreement or upon exercise of conversion rights or warrants, or otherwise (but excluding share options granted by the Trust) or (ii) which are beneficially owned, directly or indirectly (including Shares deemed owned through application of clause (i) above), by any other corporation, Person or entity with which its “affiliate” or “associate” (as defined below) has any agreement, arrangement or understanding for the purpose of acquiring, holding, voting or disposing of Shares, or which is its “affiliate” or “associate” as those terms are defined in Rule 12b-2 of the General Rules and Regulations under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and (b) the outstanding Shares shall include Shares deemed owned through application of clauses (i) and (ii) above but shall not include any other Shares which may be issuable pursuant to any agreement, or upon exercise of conversion rights or warrants, or otherwise.

(c) This Section 11.7 shall apply to the following transactions:

(i) The merger or consolidation of the Trust or any subsidiary of the Trust with or into any Principal Shareholder.

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(ii) The issuance of any securities of the Trust to any Principal Shareholder for cash (other than pursuant to any automatic dividend reinvestment plan).

(iii) The sale, lease or exchange of all or any substantial part of the assets of the Trust to any Principal Shareholder (except assets having an aggregate fair market value of less than 2% of the total assets of the Trust, aggregating for the purpose of such computation all assets sold, leased or exchanged in any series of similar transactions within a twelve-month period.)

(iv) The sale, lease or exchange to the Trust or any subsidiary thereof, in exchange for securities of the Trust, of any assets of any Principal Shareholder (except assets having an aggregate fair market value of less than 2% of the total assets of the Trust, aggregating for the purposes of such computation all assets sold, leased or exchanged in any series of similar transactions within a twelve-month period).

(d) The provisions of this Section 11.7 shall not be applicable to (i) any of the transactions described in paragraph (c) of this Section 11.7 if 80% of the Trustees shall by resolution have approved a memorandum of understanding with such Principal Shareholder with respect to and substantially consistent with such transaction, in which case approval by Shareholders as set forth in Section 10.4 of this Declaration shall be the only vote of Shareholders required by this Section 11.7, or (ii) any such transaction with any entity of which a majority of the outstanding shares of all classes and series of a stock normally entitled to vote in elections of directors is owned of record or beneficially by the Trust and its subsidiaries.

(e) The Board of Trustees shall have the power and duty to determine for the purposes of this Section 11.7 on the basis of information known to the Trust whether (i) a corporation, person or entity beneficially owns five percent (5%) or more of the outstanding Shares of any class or series, (ii) a corporation, person or entity is an "affiliate" or "associate" (as defined above) of another, (iii) the assets being acquired or leased to or by the Trust or any subsidiary thereof constitute a substantial part of the assets of the Trust and have an aggregate fair market value of less than 2% of the total assets of the Trust, and (iv) the memorandum of understanding referred to in paragraph (d) hereof is substantially consistent with the transaction covered thereby. Any such determination shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes of this Section 11.7.

## ARTICLE XII

### RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFER AND OWNERSHIP OF SHARES

**REIT Qualification.** If the Trust elects to qualify for federal income tax treatment as a REIT (as defined below in Section 12.1), the Board of Trustees shall use its reasonable best efforts to take such actions as are necessary or appropriate to preserve the status of the Trust as a REIT; however, if the Board of Trustees determines that it is no longer in the best interests of the Trust to attempt to, or continue to, qualify as a REIT, the Board of Trustees may revoke or otherwise terminate the Trust's REIT election pursuant to Section 856(g) of the Code. The Board of Trustees, in its sole and absolute discretion, also may (a) determine that compliance with any restriction or limitation on stock ownership and transfers set forth in this Article XII is no longer required for REIT qualification and (b) make any other determination or take any other action pursuant to this Declaration or the By-Laws.

**Excess Inclusion Income.** To the extent that NHF has incurred or the Board of Trustees determines that NHF will incur any tax pursuant to Section 860E(e)(6) of the Code as the result of any

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“excess inclusion” income (within the meaning of Section 860E of the Code) of NHF that is allocable to a stockholder that is a “disqualified organization” (as defined in Section 860E(e)(5) of the Code), the Board of Trustees may, in its sole discretion, cause NHF to allocate such tax solely to the stock held by such disqualified organization in the manner described in Treasury Regulation Section 1.860E-2(b)(4), by reducing from one or more distributions paid to such stockholder the tax incurred by NHF pursuant to Section 860E(e)(6) as a result of such stockholder’s stock ownership.

12.1 Definitions. For the purpose of this Article XII, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

Aggregate Share Ownership Limit. The term “Aggregate Share Ownership Limit” shall mean 9.8 percent (in value or in number of shares, whichever is more restrictive) of the aggregate of the outstanding Shares of any class or series, or such other percentage determined by the Board of Trustees in accordance with Section 12.2.8 of the Declaration. The value and number of the outstanding Shares shall be determined by the Board of Trustees, which determination shall be conclusive for all purposes hereof. For the purposes of determining the percentage ownership of Shares by any Person, Shares that may be acquired upon conversion, exchange or exercise of any securities of NHF directly or constructively held by such Person, but not Shares issuable with respect to the conversion, exchange or exercise of securities for NHF held by other Persons, shall be deemed to be outstanding prior to conversion, exchange or exercise.

Beneficial Ownership. The term “Beneficial Ownership” shall mean ownership of Shares by a Person, whether the interest in the Shares is held directly or indirectly (including by a nominee), and shall include interests that would be treated as owned through the application of Section 544 of the Code, as modified by Section 856(h)(1)(B) and 856(h)(3) of the Code. The terms “Beneficial Owner,” “Beneficially Owns” and “Beneficially Owned” shall have the correlative meanings.

Business Day. The term “Business Day” shall mean any day, other than a Saturday or Sunday, that is neither a legal holiday nor a day on which banking institutions in Texas or New York are authorized or required by law, regulation or executive order to close.

Charitable Beneficiary. The term “Charitable Beneficiary” shall mean one or more beneficiaries of the Charitable Trust as determined pursuant to Section 12.3.6, provided that each such organization must be described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code and contributions to each such organization must be eligible for deduction under each of Sections 170(b)(1)(A), 2055 and 2522 of the Code.

Charitable Trust. The term “Charitable Trust” shall mean any trust provided for in Section 12.3.1.

Charitable Trustee. The term “Charitable Trustee” shall mean the Person unaffiliated with NHF and a Prohibited Owner that is appointed by NHF to serve as trustee of the Charitable Trust.

Common Share Ownership Limit. The term “Common Share Ownership Limit” shall mean 9.8 percent (in value or in number of shares, whichever is more restrictive) of the aggregate of the outstanding common shares of beneficial interest of NHF, par value \$0.001 per share (“Common Shares”), or such other percentage determined by the Board of Trustees in accordance with Section 12.2.8 of the Declaration. The value and number of the outstanding Common Shares shall be determined by the Board of Trustees, which determination shall be conclusive for all purposes hereof.

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For purposes of determining the percentage ownership of Common Shares by any Person, shares of Common Shares that may be acquired upon conversion, exchange or exercise of any securities of NHF directly or constructively held by such Person, but not shares of Common Shares issuable with respect to the conversion, exchange or exercise of securities for NHF held by other Persons, shall be deemed to be outstanding prior to conversion, exchange or exercise.

**Constructive Ownership.** The term “Constructive Ownership” shall mean ownership of Shares by a Person, whether the interest in the Shares is held directly or indirectly (including by a nominee), and shall include interests that would be treated as owned through the application of Section 318(a) of the Code, as modified by Section 856(d)(5) of the Code. The terms “Constructive Owner,” “Constructively Owns” and “Constructively Owned” shall have the correlative meanings.

**Excepted Holder.** The term “Excepted Holder” shall mean a Person for whom an Excepted Holder Limit is created by this Article XII or by the Board of Trustees pursuant to Section 12.2.12.

**Excepted Holder Limit.** The term “Excepted Holder Limit” shall mean, provided that the affected Excepted Holder agrees to comply with the requirements established by this Article XII or by the Board of Trustees pursuant to Section 12.2.7 and subject to adjustment pursuant to Section 12.2.8, the percentage limit established by the Board of Trustees pursuant to Section 12.2.12.

**Initial Date.** The term “Initial Date” shall mean the date on which the Shareholders approve the conversion of the NHF from an investment company registered under the 1940 Act to a REIT.

**Market Price.** The term “Market Price” on any date shall mean, with respect to any class or series of outstanding Shares, the Closing Price for such Shares on such date. The “Closing Price” on any date shall mean the last sale price for such Shares, regular way, or, in case no such sale takes place on such day, the average of the closing bid and asked prices, regular way, for such Shares, in either case as reported in the principal consolidated transaction reporting system with respect to securities listed or admitted to trading on the NYSE or, if such Shares is not listed or admitted to trading on the NYSE, as reported on the principal consolidated transaction reporting system with respect to securities listed on the principal national securities exchange on which such Shares is listed or admitted to trading or, if such Shares is not listed or admitted to trading on any national securities exchange, the last quoted price, or, if not so quoted, the average of the high bid and low asked prices in the over-the-counter market, as reported by the principal automated quotation system that may then be in use or, if such Shares is not quoted by any such system, the average of the closing bid and asked prices as furnished by a professional market maker making a market in such Shares selected by the Board of Trustees or, in the event that no trading price is available for such Shares, the fair market value of the Shares, as determined by the Board of Trustees.

**NHF.** The term “NHF” shall mean the Trust, as defined in Section 1.2 of this Declaration.

**NYSE.** The term “NYSE” shall mean The New York Stock Exchange.

**Person.** The term “Person” shall mean an individual, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, estate, trust (including a trust qualified under Sections 401(a) or 501(c)(17) of the Code), a portion of a trust permanently set aside for or to be used exclusively for the purposes described in Section 642(c) of the Code, association, private foundation within the meaning of Section 509(a) of the Code, joint stock company or other entity and also includes a group as that term is used for purposes of Section 13(d)(3) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and a group to which an Excepted Holder Limit applies.

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**Prohibited Owner.** The term “Prohibited Owner” shall mean, with respect to any purported Transfer (or other event), any Person who, but for the provisions of this Article XII, would Beneficially Own or Constructively Own Shares in violation of Section 12.2.1, and if appropriate in the context, shall also mean any Person who would have been the record owner of the shares that the Prohibited Owner would have so owned.

**REIT.** The term “REIT” shall mean a real estate investment trust within the meaning of Section 856 of the Code.

**Restriction Termination Date.** The term “Restriction Termination Date” shall mean the first day after the Initial Date on which the Board of Trustees determines that compliance with the restrictions and limitations on Beneficial Ownership, Constructive Ownership and Transfers set forth herein are no longer in the best interests of NHF

**Transfer.** The term “Transfer” shall mean any issuance, sale, transfer, gift, assignment, devise or other disposition, as well as any other event or circumstance that causes any Person to acquire or possess, or change its level of, Beneficial Ownership or Constructive Ownership, or any agreement to take any such actions or cause any such events, of Shares or the right to vote or receive dividends on Shares, including (a) the granting or exercise of any option (or any disposition of any option), (b) any disposition of any securities or rights convertible into or exchangeable for Shares or any interest in Shares or any exercise of any such conversion or exchange right, (c) Transfers of interests in other entities that result in changes in Beneficial Ownership or Constructive Ownership of Shares and (d) changes in the relative values of Shares; in each case, whether voluntary or involuntary, whether owned of record, Constructively Owned or Beneficially Owned and whether by operation of law or otherwise. The terms “Transferring” and “Transferred” shall have the correlative meanings.

12.2 **Shares.**

Section 12.2.1 **Ownership Limitations.** During the period commencing on the Initial Date and prior to the Restriction Termination Date, but subject to Section 12.4 of this Article XII:

(a) **Basic Restrictions.**

(i) (1) No Person, other than an Excepted Holder, shall Beneficially Own or Constructively Own Shares in excess of the Aggregate Share Ownership Limit, (2) no Person, other than an Excepted Holder, shall Beneficially Own or Constructively Own Shares in excess of the Common Share Ownership Limit and (3) no Excepted Holder shall Beneficially Own or Constructively Own Shares in excess of the Excepted Holder Limit for such Excepted Holder.

(ii) No Person shall Beneficially Own or Constructively Own Shares to the extent that such Beneficial Ownership or Constructive Ownership of Shares would result in NHF being “closely held” within the meaning of Section 856(h) of the Code (without regard to whether the ownership interest is held during the last half of a taxable year), or otherwise failing to qualify as a REIT (including, but not limited to, Beneficial Ownership or Constructive Ownership that would result in NHF (or any subsidiary REIT thereof, as applicable) owning (actually or Constructively) an interest in a tenant that is described in Section 856(d)(2)(B) of the Code if the income derived by NHF (or such subsidiary) from such tenant would cause NHF (or such subsidiary) to fail to satisfy any of the gross income requirements of Section 856(c) of the Code, taking into account any other income of NHF (or such subsidiary) that would not constitute qualifying income under such requirements).

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(iii) Any Transfer of Shares that, if effective, would result in the Shares being beneficially owned by less than 100 Persons (determined under the principles of Section 856(a)(5) of the Code) shall be void ab initio, and the intended transferee shall acquire no rights in such Shares.

(iv) No Person shall Beneficially Own or Constructively Own Shares to the extent that such Beneficial Ownership or Constructive Ownership of Shares would result in NHF failing to qualify as a “domestically controlled qualified investment entity” within the meaning of Section 897(h)(4)(B) of the Code.

(b) Transfer in Charitable Trust. If any Transfer of Shares (whether or not such Transfer is the result of a transaction entered into through the facilities of the NYSE or any other national securities exchange or automated inter-dealer quotation system) occurs which, if effective, would result in any Person Beneficially Owning or Constructively Owning Shares in violation of Section 12.2.1(a)(i), (ii), (iii) or (iv),

(i) then that number of shares of the Shares the Beneficial Ownership or Constructive Ownership of which otherwise would cause such Person to violate Section 12.2.1(a)(i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) (rounded up to the nearest whole share) shall be automatically transferred to a Charitable Trust for the benefit of a Charitable Beneficiary, as described in Section 12.3, effective as of the close of business on the Business Day prior to the date of such Transfer, and such Person shall acquire no rights in such shares; or

(ii) if the transfer to the Charitable Trust described in clause (i) of this sentence would not be effective for any reason to prevent the violation of Section 12.2.1(a)(i), (ii), (iii) or (iv), then the Transfer of that number of Shares that otherwise would cause any Person to violate Section 12.2.1(a)(i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) shall be void ab initio, and the intended transferee shall acquire no rights in such Shares.

(iii) To the extent that, upon a transfer of Shares pursuant to this Section 12.2.1(b), a violation of any provision of this Article XII would nonetheless be continuing (for example where the ownership of Shares by a single Charitable Trust would violate the 100 shareholder requirement applicable to REITs), then Shares shall be transferred to that number of Charitable Trusts, each having a distinct Charitable Trustee and a Charitable Beneficiary or Charitable Beneficiaries that are distinct from those of each other Trust, such that there is no violation of any provision of this Article XII.

(iv) In determining which Shares are to be transferred to a Charitable Trust in accordance with this Section 12.2.1(b), Shares shall be so transferred to a Charitable Trust in such manner that minimizes the aggregate value of the Shares that are transferred to the Charitable Trust (except to the extent that the Board of Trustees determines that the Shares transferred to the Charitable Trust shall be those directly or indirectly held or Beneficially Owned or Constructively Owned by a Person or Persons that caused or contributed to the application of this Section 12.2.1(b)), and to the extent not inconsistent therewith, on a pro rata basis.

12.2.2 Remedies for Breach. If the Board of Trustees shall at any time determine that a Transfer or other event has taken place that results in a violation of Section 12.2.1 or that a Person intends to acquire or has attempted to acquire Beneficial Ownership or Constructive Ownership of any Shares in violation of Section 12.2.1 (whether or not such violation is intended), the Board of Trustees shall take such action as it deems advisable to refuse to give effect to or to prevent such Transfer or other event, including, without limitation, causing NHF to redeem Shares, refusing to give effect to such Transfer on the books of NHF or instituting proceedings to enjoin such Transfer or other event; provided, however, that any Transfer or attempted Transfer or other event in violation of Section 12.2.1 shall automatically result in the transfer to the Charitable Trust described above, and, where applicable, such Transfer (or other event) shall be void ab initio as provided above irrespective of any action (or non-action) by the Board of Trustees.

12.2.3 Notice of Restricted Transfer. Any Person who acquires or attempts or intends to acquire Beneficial Ownership or Constructive Ownership of Shares that will or may violate Section 12.2.1(a) or any

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Person who would have owned Shares that resulted in a transfer to the Charitable Trust pursuant to the provisions of Section 12.2.1(b) shall immediately give written notice to NHF of such event or, in the case of such a proposed or attempted transaction, give at least 15 days prior written notice, and shall provide to NHF such other information as NHF may request in order to determine the effect, if any, of such Transfer on NHF's status as a REIT.

**12.2.4 Owners Required To Provide Information.** From the Initial Date and prior to the Restriction Termination Date:

(a) every owner of five percent or more (or such lower percentage as required by the Code or the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder) in number or value of the outstanding Shares, within 30 days after the end of each taxable year, shall give written notice to NHF stating the name and address of such owner, the number of Shares Beneficially Owned and a description of the manner in which such shares are held. Each such owner shall provide to NHF such additional information as NHF may request in order to determine the effect, if any, of such Beneficial Ownership on NHF's status as a REIT and to ensure compliance with the Aggregate Share Ownership Limit and the Common Share Ownership Limit; and

(b) each Person who is a Beneficial Owner or Constructive Owner of Shares and each Person (including the Shareholder of record) who is holding Shares for a Beneficial Owner or Constructive Owner shall provide to NHF such information as NHF may request in good faith in order to determine NHF's status as a REIT and to comply with the requirements of any taxing authority or governmental authority or to determine such compliance and to ensure compliance with the Aggregate Share Ownership Limit and the Common Share Ownership Limit.

**12.2.5 Remedies Not Limited.** Nothing contained in this Section 12.2 shall limit the authority of the Board of Trustees to take such other action as it deems necessary or advisable to protect NHF in preserving NHF's status as a REIT.

**12.2.6 Ambiguity.** In the case of an ambiguity in the application of any of the provisions of this Article XII, the Board of Trustees shall have the power to determine the application of the provisions of this Article XII with respect to any situation based on the facts known to it. In the event this Article XII requires an action by the Board of Trustees and the Declaration fails to provide specific guidance with respect to such action, the Board of Trustees shall have the power to determine the action to be taken so long as such action is not contrary to the provisions of this Article XII. Absent a decision to the contrary by the Board of Trustees (which the Board of Trustees may make in its sole and absolute discretion), if a Person would have (but for the remedies set forth in this Article XII) acquired Beneficial or Constructive Ownership of Shares in violation of this Article XII, such remedies (as applicable) shall apply first to the Shares that, but for such remedies, would have been actually owned by such Person, and second to Shares which, but for such remedies, would have been Beneficially Owned or Constructively Owned (but not actually owned) by such Person, pro rata among the Persons who actually own such Shares based upon the relative number of the Shares held by each such Person.

**12.2.7 Exceptions.**

(a) Subject to Section 12.2.1(a)(ii), (iii) and (iv), the Board of Trustees may exempt (prospectively or retroactively) a Person from the Aggregate Share Ownership Limit or the Common Share Ownership Limit, as the case may be, and may establish or increase an Excepted Holder Limit for such Person if NHF obtains such representations and undertakings from such Person as are reasonably necessary for the Board of Trustees to determine that:

(i) no Person's Beneficial or Constructive Ownership of Shares will violate Section 12.2.1(a)(ii), (iii) or (iv); and

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(ii) such Person does not and will not own, actually or Constructively, an interest in a tenant of NHF (or a tenant of any entity owned or controlled by NHF, including a subsidiary REIT) that would cause NHF (or such subsidiary REIT) to own, actually or Constructively, more than a 9.9% interest (as set forth in Section 856(d)(2)(B) of the Code) in such tenant (for this purpose, a tenant shall not be treated as a tenant of NHF if NHF (or an entity owned or controlled by NHF, including such subsidiary REIT) derives (and is expected to continue to derive) a sufficiently small amount of revenue from such tenant such that, in the judgment of the Board of Trustees, rent from such tenant would not adversely affect NHF's (or such subsidiary REIT's) ability to qualify as a REIT).

Any violation or attempted violation of any such representations or undertakings (or other action which is contrary to the restrictions contained in this Article XII) will result in such Shares being automatically transferred to a Charitable Trust in accordance with Sections 12.2.1(b) and 12.3.

(b) Prior to granting any exception pursuant to Section 12.2.7(a), the Board of Trustees may require a ruling from the Internal Revenue Service, or an opinion of counsel, in either case in form and substance satisfactory to the Board of Trustees as it may deem necessary or advisable in order to determine or ensure NHF's status as a REIT. Notwithstanding the receipt of any ruling or opinion, the Board of Trustees may impose such conditions or restrictions as it deems appropriate in connection with granting such exception.

(c) Subject to Section 12.2.1(a)(ii), an underwriter or placement agent that participates in a public offering or a private placement of Shares (or securities convertible into or exchangeable for Shares) may Beneficially Own or Constructively Own Shares (or securities convertible into or exchangeable for Shares) in excess of the Aggregate Share Ownership Limit, the Common Share Ownership Limit, or both such limits, but only to the extent necessary to facilitate such public offering or private placement.

(d) The Board of Trustees may only reduce the Excepted Holder Limit for an Excepted Holder: (1) with the written consent of such Excepted Holder at any time, or (2) pursuant to the terms and conditions of the agreements and undertakings entered into with such Excepted Holder in connection with the establishment of the Excepted Holder Limit for that Excepted Holder. No Excepted Holder Limit shall be reduced to a percentage that is less than the Aggregate Share Ownership Limit or the Common Share Ownership Limit, as the case may be.

**12.2.8 Increase or Decrease in Common Share Ownership or Aggregate Share Ownership Limits.** Subject to Section 12.2.1(a)(ii) and this Section 12.2.8, the Board of Trustees may from time to time increase or decrease the Common Share Ownership Limit or the Aggregate Share Ownership Limit for one or more Persons and increase or decrease the Common Share Ownership Limit or the Aggregate Share Ownership Limit for all other Persons. No decreased Common Share Ownership Limit or Aggregate Share Ownership Limit will be effective for any Person whose percentage of ownership of Shares is in excess of such decreased Common Share Ownership Limit or Aggregate Share Ownership Limit, as applicable, until such time as such Person's percentage of ownership of Shares equals or falls below the decreased Common Share Ownership Limit or Aggregate Share Ownership Limit, as applicable; provided, however, any further acquisition of Shares by any such Person (other than a Person for whom an exemption has been granted pursuant to Section 12.2.7(a) or an Excepted Holder) in excess of the Shares owned by such person on the date the decreased Common Share Ownership Limit or Aggregate Share Ownership Limit, as applicable, became effective will be



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in violation of the Common Share Ownership Limit or Aggregate Share Ownership Limit. No increase to the Common Share Ownership Limit or Aggregate Share Ownership Limit may be approved if the new Common Share Ownership Limit and/or Aggregate Share Ownership Limit would allow five or fewer Persons to Beneficially Own, in the aggregate more than 49.9% in value of the outstanding Shares.

12.2.9 Legend. Each certificate for Shares, if certificated, or the notice in lieu of a certificate shall bear substantially the following legend:

The shares represented by this certificate are subject to restrictions on Beneficial Ownership and Constructive Ownership and Transfer for the purpose, among others, of NHF's maintenance of its status as a Real Estate Investment Trust under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). Subject to certain further restrictions and except as expressly provided in NHF's Declaration, (i) no Person may Beneficially Own or Constructively Own shares of NHF's Common Shares in excess of the Common Share Ownership Limit, unless such Person is an Excepted Holder (in which case the Excepted Holder Limit shall be applicable); (ii) no Person may Beneficially Own or Constructively Own Shares of NHF in excess of the Aggregate Share Ownership Limit, unless such Person is an Excepted Holder (in which case the Excepted Holder Limit shall be applicable); (iii) no Person may Beneficially Own or Constructively Own Shares that would result in NHF being "closely held" under Section 856(h) of the Code or otherwise cause NHF to fail to qualify as a REIT; (iv) no Person may Transfer Shares if such Transfer would result in the Shares of NHF being owned by fewer than 100 Persons; and (v) no Person may Beneficially Own or Constructively Own Shares that could result in NHF failing to qualify as a "domestically controlled qualified investment entity" under Section 897(h)(4)(B) of the Code. Any Person who Beneficially Owns or Constructively Owns or attempts or intends to Beneficially Own or Constructively Own Shares which causes or will cause a Person to Beneficially Own or Constructively Own Shares in excess or in violation of the above limitations must immediately notify NHF. If any of the restrictions on transfer or ownership provided in (i), (ii), (iii) or (v) above are violated, the Shares in excess or in violation of the above limitations will be automatically transferred to a Charitable Trustee of a Charitable Trust for the benefit of one or more Charitable Beneficiaries. In addition, NHF may redeem shares upon the terms and conditions specified by the Board of Trustees in its sole discretion if the Board of Trustees determines that ownership or a Transfer or other event may violate the restrictions described above. Furthermore, if the ownership restriction provided in (iv) above would be violated, or upon the occurrence of certain events, attempted Transfers in violation of the restrictions described above may be void ab initio. All capitalized terms in this legend have the meanings given to them in the Declaration, as the same may be amended from time to time, a copy of which, including the restrictions on transfer and ownership, will be furnished to each holder of Shares of NHF on request and without charge. Requests for such a copy may be directed to the Secretary of NHF at its principal office.

Instead of the foregoing legend, the certificate or notice may state that NHF will furnish a full statement about certain restrictions on ownership and transferability to a Shareholder on request and without charge.

12.3 Transfer of Shares in Charitable Trust.

12.3.1 Ownership in Charitable Trust. Upon any purported Transfer or other event described in Section 12.2.1(b) that would result in a transfer of Shares to a Charitable Trust, such Shares shall be deemed to have been transferred to the Charitable Trustee as trustee of a Charitable

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Trust for the exclusive benefit of one or more Charitable Beneficiaries. Such transfer to the Charitable Trustee shall be deemed to be effective as of the close of business on the Business Day prior to the purported Transfer or other event that results in the transfer to the Charitable Trust pursuant to Section 12.2.1(b). The Charitable Trustee shall be appointed by NHF and shall be a Person unaffiliated with NHF and any Prohibited Owner. Each Charitable Beneficiary shall be designated by NHF as provided in Section 12.3.6.

12.3.2 Status of Shares Held by the Charitable Trustee. Shares held by the Charitable Trustee shall be issued and outstanding Shares of NHF. The Prohibited Owner shall have no rights in the shares held by the Charitable Trustee. The Prohibited Owner shall not benefit economically from ownership of any shares held in trust by the Charitable Trustee, shall have no rights to dividends or other distributions and shall not possess any rights to vote or other rights attributable to the shares held in the Charitable Trust.

12.3.3 Dividend and Voting Rights. The Charitable Trustee shall have all voting rights and rights to dividends or other distributions with respect to Shares held in the Charitable Trust, which rights shall be exercised for the exclusive benefit of the Charitable Beneficiary. Any dividend or other distribution paid prior to the discovery by NHF that the Shares have been transferred to the Charitable Trustee shall be paid by the recipient of such dividend or distribution to the Charitable Trustee upon demand, and any dividend or other distribution authorized but unpaid shall be paid when due to the Charitable Trustee. Any dividend or distribution so paid to the Charitable Trustee shall be held in trust for the Charitable Beneficiary. The Prohibited Owner shall have no voting rights with respect to Shares held in the Charitable Trust and, subject to Delaware law, effective as of the date that the Shares have been transferred to the Charitable Trust, the Charitable Trustee shall have the authority (at the Charitable Trustee's sole discretion) (i) to rescind as void any vote cast by a Prohibited Owner prior to the discovery by NHF that the Shares have been transferred to the Charitable Trust and (ii) to recast such vote in accordance with the desires of the Charitable Trustee acting for the benefit of the Charitable Beneficiary; provided, however, that if NHF has already taken irreversible corporate action, then the Charitable Trustee shall not have the authority to rescind and recast such vote. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Article XII, until NHF has received notification that Shares have been transferred into a Charitable Trust, NHF shall be entitled to rely on its share transfer and other Shareholder records for purposes of preparing lists of Shareholders entitled to vote at meetings, determining the validity and authority of proxies and otherwise conducting votes and determining the other rights of Shareholders.

12.3.4 Sale of Shares by Charitable Trustee. Within 20 days of receiving notice from NHF that Shares have been transferred to the Charitable Trust, the Charitable Trustee of the Charitable Trust shall sell the shares held in the Charitable Trust to a person, designated by the Charitable Trustee, whose ownership of the shares will not violate the ownership limitations set forth in Section 12.2.1(a). Upon such sale, the interest of the Charitable Beneficiary in the shares sold shall terminate and the Charitable Trustee shall distribute the net proceeds of the sale to the Prohibited Owner and to the Charitable Beneficiary as provided in this Section 12.3.4. The Prohibited Owner shall receive the lesser of (1) the price paid by the Prohibited Owner for the shares or, if the Prohibited Owner did not give value for the shares in connection with the event causing the shares to be held in the Charitable Trust (*e.g.*, in the case of a gift, devise or other such transaction), the Market Price of the shares on the day of the event causing the shares to be held in the Charitable Trust and (2) the price per share received by the Charitable Trustee (net of any commissions and other expenses of sale) from the sale or other disposition of the shares held in the Charitable Trust. The Charitable Trustee may reduce the amount

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payable to the Prohibited Owner by the amount of dividends and distributions which have been paid to the Prohibited Owner and are owed by the Prohibited Owner to the Charitable Trustee pursuant to Section 12.3.3 of this Article XII. Any net sales proceeds in excess of the amount payable to the Prohibited Owner shall be immediately paid to the Charitable Beneficiary. If, prior to the discovery by NHF that Shares have been transferred to the Charitable Trustee, such shares are sold by a Prohibited Owner, then (i) such shares shall be deemed to have been sold on behalf of the Charitable Trust and (ii) to the extent that the Prohibited Owner received an amount for, or in respect of, such shares that exceeds the amount that such Prohibited Owner was entitled to receive pursuant to this Section 12.3.4, such excess shall be paid to the Charitable Trustee upon demand.

12.3.5 Purchase Right in Shares Transferred to the Charitable Trustee. Shares transferred to the Charitable Trustee shall be deemed to have been offered for sale to NHF, or its designee, at a price per share equal to the lesser of (i) the price per share in the transaction that resulted in such transfer to the Charitable Trust (or, in the case of a devise or gift, the Market Price at the time of such devise or gift) and (ii) the Market Price on the date NHF, or its designee, accepts such offer. NHF may reduce the amount payable to the Prohibited Owner by the amount of dividends and distributions which have been paid to the Prohibited Owner and are owed by the Prohibited Owner to the Charitable Trustee pursuant to Section 12.3.3 of this Article XII. NHF may pay the amount of such reduction to the Charitable Trustee for the benefit of the Charitable Beneficiary. NHF shall have the right to accept such offer until the Charitable Trustee has sold the shares held in the Charitable Trust pursuant to Section 12.3.4. Upon such a sale to NHF, the interest of the Charitable Beneficiary in the shares sold shall terminate and the Charitable Trustee shall distribute the net proceeds of the sale to the Prohibited Owner.

12.3.6 Designation of Charitable Beneficiaries. By written notice to the Charitable Trustee, NHF shall designate one or more nonprofit organizations to be the Charitable Beneficiary or Charitable Beneficiaries of the interest in the Charitable Trust such that (i) the Shares held in the Charitable Trust would not violate the restrictions set forth in Section 12.2.1(a) in the hands of such Charitable Beneficiary or Charitable Beneficiaries and (ii) each such organization must be described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code and contributions to each such organization must be eligible for deduction under each of Sections 170(b)(1)(A), 2055 and 2522 of the Code. Neither the failure of NHF to make such designation nor the failure of NHF to appoint the Charitable Trustee before the automatic transfer provided in Section 12.2.1(b) shall make such transfer ineffective, provided that NHF thereafter makes such designation and appointment.

12.4 NYSE Transactions. Nothing in this Article XII shall preclude the settlement of any transaction entered into through the facilities of the NYSE or any other national securities exchange or automated inter-dealer quotation system. The fact that the settlement of any transaction occurs shall not negate the effect of any other provision of this Article XII and any transferee in such a transaction shall be subject to all of the provisions and limitations set forth in this Article XII.

12.5 Enforcement. NHF is authorized specifically to seek equitable relief, including injunctive relief, to enforce the provisions of this Article XII.

12.6 Non-Waiver. No delay or failure on the part of NHF or the Board of Trustees in exercising any right hereunder shall operate as a waiver of any right of NHF or the Board of Trustees, as the case may be, except to the extent specifically waived in writing.

12.7. Severability. If any provision of this Article XII or any application of any such provision is determined to be invalid by any federal or state court having jurisdiction over the issues,

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the validity of the remaining provisions shall not be affected and other applications of such provisions shall be affected only to the extent necessary to comply with the determination of such court.

### ARTICLE XIII

#### MISCELLANEOUS

13.1 Filing. This Declaration and any amendment or supplement hereto shall be filed in such places as may be required or as the Trustees deem appropriate. Each amendment or supplement shall be accompanied by a certificate signed and acknowledged by a Trustee stating that such action was duly taken in a manner provided herein, and shall, upon insertion in the Trust's minute book, be conclusive evidence of all amendments contained therein. A restated Declaration, containing the original Declaration and all amendments and supplements theretofore made, may be executed from time to time by a majority of the Trustees and shall, upon insertion in the Trust's minute book, be conclusive evidence of all amendments and supplements contained therein and may thereafter be referred to in lieu of the original Declaration and the various amendments and supplements thereto.

13.2 Resident Agent. The Trust shall maintain a resident agent in the State of Delaware, which agent shall initially be The Corporation Trust Company, 1209 Orange Street, Wilmington, Delaware 19801. The Trustees may designate a successor resident agent; provided, however, that such appointment shall not become effective until written notice thereof is delivered to the office of the Secretary of the State.

13.3 Governing Law. This Declaration is executed by the Trustees and delivered in the State of Delaware and with reference to the laws thereof, and the rights of all parties and the validity and construction of every provision hereof shall be subject to and construed according to the DSTA.

13.4 Counterparts. This Declaration may be simultaneously executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, and such counterparts, together, shall constitute one and the same instrument, which shall be sufficiently evidenced by any such original counterpart.

13.5 Reliance by Third Parties. Any certificate executed by an individual who, according to the records of the Trust, or of any recording office in which this Declaration may be recorded, appears to be a Trustee hereunder, certifying to: (a) the number or identity of Trustees or Shareholders, (b) the name of the Trust, (c) the due authorization of the execution of any instrument or writing, (d) the form of any vote passed at a meeting of Trustees or Shareholders, (e) the fact that the number of Trustees or Shareholders present at any meeting or executing any written instrument satisfies the requirements of this Declaration, (f) the form of any By-Laws adopted by or the identity of any officers elected by the Trustees, or (g) the existence of any fact or facts which in any manner relate to the affairs of the Trust, shall be conclusive evidence as to the matters so certified in favor of any person dealing with the Trustees and their successors.

13.6 Provisions in Conflict with Law or Regulation. (a) The provisions of this Declaration are severable, and if the Trustees shall determine, with the advice of counsel, that any of such provisions is in conflict with the provisions of the Code or with other applicable laws and regulations, the conflicting provision shall, to the maximum extent possible, be interpreted to give as much effect as possible to the intent of the Declaration taken as a whole; provided, however, that such determination shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Declaration or render invalid or improper any action taken or omitted prior to such determination.

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(b) If any provision of this Declaration shall be held invalid or unenforceable in any jurisdiction, such invalidity or unenforceability shall attach only to such provision in such jurisdiction and shall not in any manner affect such provision in any other jurisdiction or any other provision of this Declaration in any jurisdiction.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Amended and Restated Agreement and Declaration of Trust to be executed as of [ ], 2020.

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# NEXPOINT

 <b>Vote by Telephone</b> 1. Read the proxy statement and have the proxy card at hand. 2. Call toll-free 866-818-9355 3. Follow the simple instructions.	 <b>Vote Online</b> 1. Read the proxy statement and have the proxy card at hand. 2. Go to <a href="http://www.proxyvotenow.com/nhf">www.proxyvotenow.com/nhf</a> 3. Follow the simple instructions.	 <b>Vote by Mail</b> 1. Read the proxy statement. 2. Check the appropriate box(es) on the reverse side. 3. Sign, date and return the proxy card in the envelope provided.
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## NEXPOINT STRATEGIC OPPORTUNITIES FUND PROXY IN CONNECTION WITH THE SPECIAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS TO BE HELD ON AUGUST 28, 2020

THIS PROXY IS SOLICITED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES. The undersigned shareholder of NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund ("NHF" or the "Fund") hereby appoints David Klos and Frank Waterhouse and each of them, the attorneys and proxies of the undersigned, with full power of substitution, to vote, as indicated herein, all shares of the Fund standing in the name of the undersigned at the close of business on June 19, 2020 (the "Record Date"), at the Special Meeting of Shareholders of the Fund to be held at 200 Crescent Court, Crescent Club, Dallas, Texas 75201, on Friday, August 28, 2020, at 8:30 Central time, and at any adjournments or postponements thereof (the "Special Meeting"), with all of the powers the undersigned would possess if then and there personally present and especially (but without limiting the general authorization and power hereby given) to vote as indicated on the proposals, as more fully described in the Proxy Statement for the Meeting. The undersigned hereby acknowledges receipt of the Notice of Special Meeting of Shareholders of the Fund and of the accompanying Proxy Statement, the terms of each of which are incorporated by reference, and revokes any proxy heretofore given with respect to such meeting.

**THIS PROXY, WHEN EXECUTED, WILL BE VOTED IN THE MANNER DIRECTED HEREIN BY THE UNDERSIGNED SHAREHOLDER. IF THIS PROXY IS PROPERLY EXECUTED BUT NO DIRECTION IS MADE, THIS PROXY WILL BE VOTED FOR THE PROPOSALS. NO OTHER BUSINESS MAY BE PRESENTED OR TRANSACTED AT THE SPECIAL MEETING.**

**CONTROL NUMBER**

### AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE(S)

**This section must be completed for your vote to be counted.**

Please complete, sign and return this card as soon as possible.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature(s) and Title(s), if applicable (Sign in the box)

**Note:** Please sign exactly as your name(s) appear(s) on this proxy card, and date it. If shares are held jointly, one or more owners should sign personally. When signing as attorney, executor, administrator, trustee, officer of corporation or other entity or in another representative capacity, please give the full title under the signature.

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**Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for this Special Meeting of Shareholders to Be Held on August 28, 2020.**  
The Notice of Special Meeting and Proxy Statement are available at: [www.eproxyaccess.com/nhf2020](http://www.eproxyaccess.com/nhf2020)

## EVERY SHAREHOLDER'S VOTE IS IMPORTANT

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It is important that votes be received no later than 11:59 p.m. Eastern time on the day before the meeting.

**TO VOTE** – Mark boxes below in blue or black ink as shown in this example: ☒

**THE BOARD, INCLUDING THE INDEPENDENT TRUSTEES, UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR THE FOLLOWING PROPOSALS:**

- |  | FOR                      | AGAINST                  | ABSTAIN                  |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. To approve a change in the Fund's business from a registered investment company that invests primarily in debt and equity securities to a diversified REIT and to amend the Fund's fundamental investment restrictions to permit the Fund to engage in its new business (the "Business Change Proposal"). | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. To approve the amendment and restatement of the Fund's Agreement and Declaration of Trust (the "Amendment Proposal").   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Shareholders are being asked to vote upon each proposal separately; however, the effectiveness of each of the Business Change Proposal and the Amendment Proposal is conditioned and dependent upon the approval of both proposals.

No other business may be presented or transacted at the Special Meeting.

**PLEASE SIGN AND DATE ON THE REVERSE SIDE AND RETURN THIS PROXY CARD USING THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE.**

**THANK YOU FOR VOTING**

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## **EXHIBIT XXX**



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**NexPoint Capital, Inc.**  
**Maximum Offering of 150,000,000 Shares of Common Stock**

Supplement No. 21 dated March 14, 2018

to

Prospectus dated May 12, 2017

This supplement contains information which amends, supplements or modifies certain information contained in the Prospectus of NexPoint Capital, Inc. (the "Company") dated May 12, 2017 (the "Prospectus"), Supplement No. 1, dated June 14, 2017, Supplement No. 2, dated June 28, 2017, Supplement No. 3, dated July 26, 2017, Supplement No. 4, dated August 23, 2017, Supplement No. 5, dated September 13, 2017, Supplement No. 6, dated October 20, 2017, Supplement No. 7, dated October 23, 2017, Supplement No. 8, dated November 15, 2017, Supplement No. 9, dated November 22, 2017, Supplement No. 10, dated November 29, 2017, Supplement No. 11, dated November 30, 2017, Supplement No. 12, dated December 6, 2017, Supplement No. 13, dated December 13, 2017, Supplement No. 14, dated December 20, 2017, Supplement No. 15, dated December 28, 2017, Supplement No. 16, dated January 4, 2018, Supplement No. 17, dated January 10, 2018, Supplement No. 18, dated January 24, 2018, Supplement No. 19, dated January 31, 2018, and Supplement No. 20, dated February 14, 2018. The Prospectus has been filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, and is available at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov) or by calling us toll-free at (877) 665-1287. Unless otherwise defined in this supplement, capitalized terms used in this supplement shall have the same meanings as set forth in the Prospectus.

*You should carefully consider the "Risk Factors" beginning on page 31 of the Prospectus before you decide to invest in shares of our common stock.*

Effective immediately, Nate Burns has been added as a portfolio manager for the Company.

**Management of the Company – Portfolio Manager**

*Effective immediately, the section of the Prospectus entitled “Management of the Company – Portfolio Manager” beginning on page 113 of the Prospectus is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:*

Our portfolio managers are James Dondero, Michael Gregory and Nate Burns. Their investment decisions are not subject to the oversight, approval or ratification of a committee.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Length of Time Served</u>	<u>Principal Occupation(s) During the Past 5 Years</u>
James Dondero	President	Since 2014	President of Highland Capital Management, L.P., which he co-founded in 1993; Chairman of the Board of NexPoint Residential Trust, Inc. since May 2015; Portfolio Manager of NHF, Portfolio Manager of Highland Energy MLP Fund, Highland Global Allocation Fund, Highland Small-Cap Equity Fund and Highland Premier Growth Equity Fund (all series of HFII); Portfolio Manager of Highland Opportunistic Credit Fund (series of Highland Funds I (“HFI”); President of NexPoint Real Estate Advisors, L.P. since May 2015; President of NexPoint Real Estate Advisors II, L.P. since June 2016; President and Portfolio Manager of NexPoint Discount Yield Fund, NexPoint Energy and Materials Opportunities Fund, NexPoint Healthcare Opportunities Fund, NexPoint Latin American Opportunities Fund, NexPoint Merger Arbitrage Fund, NexPoint Opportunistic Credit Fund and NexPoint Real Estate Strategies Fund since 2016; and a Portfolio Manager of NexPoint Capital since 2014.
Michael Gregory	Managing Director and Head of Healthcare	Since 2014	Managing Director and Head of Healthcare Credit and Healthcare Long/Short Equity investment strategies; Portfolio Manager of Highland Long/Short Healthcare Fund (series of HFI) since May 2010 and Highland Small-Cap Equity Fund and Highland Premier Growth Equity Fund (each a series of HFII) from July 2015 to March 2018 and from January 2016 to March 2018, respectively.

Nate Burns      Managing      Since 2018  
Director

Mr. Burns is a Managing Director at Highland Capital Management, L.P. and is a Portfolio Manager at NexPoint Advisors, L.P. Prior to joining Highland in 2013, he was an Associate at Ripplewood Holdings, a global private equity firm focused on control-oriented buyout, distressed and special situations investments. Prior to joining Ripplewood, he was an Analyst in the Global Technology Mergers & Acquisitions group at Lehman Brothers. Mr. Burns received a B.S. in Analytical Finance and Economics, *summa cum laude* and Phi Beta Kappa, from Wake Forest University and an MBA, with Dean's Honors and Distinction, from Columbia Business School. Mr. Burns is a holder of the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

As of December 31, 2017, the portfolio managers managed the following client accounts:

<u>Type of Account</u>	<u>Number of Accounts</u>	<u>Assets of Accounts (in millions)</u>	<u>Number of Accounts Subject to a Performance Fee</u>	<u>Assets Subject to a Performance Fee (in millions)</u>
<i>James Dondero</i>				
Registered investment companies	9	\$ 1,615	1	\$ 95
Other pooled investment vehicles	2	\$ 655	2	\$ 655
Other accounts	0	\$ 0	0	\$ 0
<i>Michael Gregory</i>				
Registered investment companies	6	\$ 681	0	\$ 0
Other pooled investment vehicles	1	\$ 7	1	\$ 7
Other accounts	0	\$ 0	0	\$ 0
<i>Nate Burns</i>				
Registered investment companies	1	\$ 95	1	\$ 95
Other pooled investment vehicles	0	\$ 0	0	\$ 0
Other accounts	0	\$ 0	0	\$ 0

*Effective immediately, the last paragraph and table under the section entitled "Control Persons and Principal Stockholders" on page 121 of the Prospectus are deleted in their entirety and replaced with the following:*

The table below shows the dollar range of shares of common stock beneficially owned by each of our portfolio managers after giving effect to the private placement as of December 31, 2016.

<u>Name of Portfolio Manager</u>	<u>Dollar Range of Equity Securities in NexPoint Capital (1)</u>
James Dondero	Over \$1 million
Michael Gregory	None
Nate Burns(2)	None

(1) Dollar ranges are as follows: None, \$1 - \$10,000, \$10,001 - \$50,000, \$50,001 - \$100,000, \$100,001 - \$500,000, \$500,001 - \$1,000,000, or over \$1,000,000.

(2) As of February 28, 2018.

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## SCHEDULE 14A

(RULE 14a-101)

### INFORMATION REQUIRED IN PROXY STATEMENT

## SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION

### Proxy Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Filed by the Registrant ☒

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Check the appropriate box:

- ☐ Preliminary Proxy Statement
- ☐ Confidential, for Use of the Commission Only (as permitted by Rule 14a-6(e)(2))
- ☒ Definitive Proxy Statement
- ☐ Definitive Additional Materials
- ☐ Soliciting Material Pursuant to § 240.14a-12

## NexPoint Capital, Inc.

(Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

(Name of Person(s) Filing Proxy Statement, if other than the Registrant)

Payment of Filing Fee (Check the appropriate box):

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- ☐ Fee computed on table below per Exchange Act Rules 14a-6(i)(1) and 0-11.

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**NEXPOINT CAPITAL, INC.**  
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**(844) 485-9167**

**April 24, 2019**

Dear Stockholder:

You are cordially invited to attend the 2019 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of NexPoint Capital, Inc. (the "Corporation") to be held at 200 Crescent Court, Crescent Club, Dallas, Texas 75201, on Friday, June 14, 2019, at 8:15 a.m. Central Time (the "Annual Meeting").

At the Annual Meeting, you will be asked to elect two (2) Class I directors to each serve a three-year term. In addition to voting on the election of directors, which is described in more detail in the accompanying Notice of Annual Meeting of Stockholders and Proxy Statement, you will have an opportunity to hear a report on the Corporation and to discuss other matters of interest to you as a stockholder.

**It is very important that your shares be represented at the Annual Meeting.** We hope that you will be able to attend the Annual Meeting in person. Whether or not you plan to attend, I urge you to please complete, date, sign and mail the enclosed proxy card to us to assure that your shares are represented at the Annual Meeting.

Sincerely,

/s/ James Dondero

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James Dondero

President and Principal Executive Officer

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**NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS**  
**TO BE HELD ON JUNE 14, 2019**

Notice is hereby given to holders of shares of common stock of NexPoint Capital, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Corporation"), that the 2019 Annual Meeting of the Stockholders will be held at 200 Crescent Court, Crescent Club, Dallas, Texas 75201, on Friday, June 14, 2019, at 8:15 a.m. Central Time (the "Annual Meeting"), for the following purposes:

1. To elect each of Bryan A. Ward and Ethan Powell as a Class I director of the Corporation to serve for a three-year term expiring at the 2022 Annual Meeting of the Stockholders or until his successor is duly elected and qualifies; and
2. To transact such other business as may properly come before the Annual Meeting and any adjournment or postponement thereof.

**THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, INCLUDING EACH OF THE INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS, UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR THE ELECTION OF EACH OF THE DIRECTOR NOMINEES.**

The close of business on April 16, 2019 has been fixed as the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the Annual Meeting and any adjournment or postponement thereof. Please call (844) 485-9167 for directions on how to attend the Annual Meeting and vote in person.

**Important Notice Regarding Availability of Proxy Materials for the Stockholder Meeting to be held on June 14, 2019: Copies of these proxy materials, including the Corporation's Annual Report, the Notice for the Annual Meeting, the Proxy Statement and the form of proxy, are available to you on the Internet at <https://www.proxyonline.com/docs/NexPoint2019.pdf>. Copies of the proxy materials are also available upon request, without charge, by writing to AST Fund Solutions, LLC at AST Fund Solutions, ATTN: NexPoint 13450 Fulfillment, 55 Challenger Road, Ridgefield Park, New Jersey 07660, by calling (800) 967-5068, or by sending an e-mail to [corporateservices@astfundsolutions.com](mailto:corporateservices@astfundsolutions.com) using subject line: NexPoint 13450 Fulfillment. Stockholders are encouraged to read all of the proxy materials before voting as the proxy materials contain important information necessary to make an informed decision.**

**The Board of Directors is requesting your vote. Your vote is important regardless of the number of shares that you own. Whether or not you expect to be present at the Annual Meeting, please complete and sign the enclosed proxy card and return it promptly in the enclosed envelope, which needs no postage if mailed in the United States. If you desire to vote in person at the Annual Meeting, you may revoke your proxy at any time before it is exercised.**

By Order of the Board of Directors,

/s/ Lauren Thedford

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Lauren Thedford  
Secretary

April 24, 2019  
Dallas, Texas



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**PROXY STATEMENT**  
**ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS**  
**JUNE 14, 2019**

This Proxy Statement is furnished in connection with the solicitation of proxies on behalf of the Board of Directors (the “Board”) of NexPoint Capital, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the “Corporation”), for use at the Corporation’s 2019 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the “Annual Meeting”) to be held at 200 Crescent Court, Crescent Club, Dallas, Texas 75201, on Friday, June 14, 2019, at 8:15 a.m. Central Time, and at any and all adjournments or postponements thereof, for the purposes set forth in the accompanying Notice of Annual Meeting of Stockholders dated April 24, 2019. The Corporation is a closed-end management investment company that has elected to be treated as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “1940 Act”). NexPoint Advisors, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership (the “Adviser”) serves as the investment adviser and the administrator (“Administrator”) to the Corporation. The principal executive offices of each of the Corporation and the Adviser are located at 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201.

This Proxy Statement and the accompanying Notice of Annual Meeting of Stockholders and form of proxy are being provided to stockholders on or about April 24, 2019. The Board of Directors (the “Board”) has fixed the close of business on April 16, 2019 as the record date (the “Record Date”) for the determination of stockholders entitled to receive notice of, and to vote at, the Annual Meeting. As of the Record Date, 10,385,280 shares of the Common Stock were issued and outstanding, and the Corporation had not issued any shares of preferred stock. Stockholders of the Corporation are entitled to one vote for each share held and fractional votes for each fractional share held.

If the form of proxy is properly executed and returned in time to be voted at the Annual Meeting, the shares covered thereby will be voted at the Annual Meeting in accordance with the instructions marked thereon. All properly executed proxies received by the Board that do not specify how shares should be voted will be voted “**FOR**” the election as a director of the nominees listed below, and in the discretion of the persons named as proxies in connection with any other matter which may properly come before the Annual Meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof.

The Board does not know of any matter to be considered at the Annual Meeting other than the election of the directors referred to in this Proxy Statement and the Notice of Annual Meeting. A stockholder may revoke his or her proxy any time before it is exercised by (i) voting in person at the Annual Meeting, (ii) giving written notice of such revocation to the Secretary of the Corporation or (iii) returning a properly executed, later-dated proxy.

In addition to soliciting proxies by mail, officers of the Corporation or officers or employees of the Adviser may solicit proxies by web, by telephone or in person. Copies of the Notice for the Annual Meeting, the Proxy Statement, the form of proxy and the Corporation’s annual report are available at <https://www.proxyonline.com/docs/NexPoint2019.pdf>. The Corporation has engaged AST Fund Solutions, LLC, at AST Fund Solutions, ATTN: NexPoint 13450 Fulfillment, 55 Challenger Road, Suite 201, Ridgefield Park, New Jersey 07660 to provide stockholder meeting services, including the distribution of this Proxy Statement and related materials to stockholders, as well as assisting the Corporation in soliciting proxies for the Annual Meeting, at an approximate cost of \$16,284. The costs of proxy solicitation and expenses incurred in connection with the preparation of this Proxy Statement and its enclosures will be paid by the Corporation.

## Quorum

A quorum must be present at the Annual Meeting for any business to be conducted. The presence in person or by proxy of the holders of a majority of the shares of Common Stock entitled to vote shall constitute a quorum for the Annual Meeting. Shares represented by properly executed proxies with respect to which (i) a vote is withheld or (ii) the stockholder abstains will be treated as shares that are present and entitled to vote for purposes of determining a quorum.

Shares of Common Stock held by a broker or other nominee for which the nominee has not received voting instructions from the record holder and does not have discretionary authority to vote the shares on non-routine proposals are considered “broker non-votes” with respect to such proposals. Because the election of directors is a non-routine matter, broker non-votes are not entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting. Therefore, broker non-votes will be treated as shares that are not present for quorum purposes at the Annual Meeting.

If a quorum is not present at the Annual Meeting, or if a quorum is present but sufficient votes to approve the proposal are not received, the persons named as proxies may propose one or more adjournments or postponements of the Annual Meeting to permit further solicitation of proxies. Any adjournment or postponement will require the affirmative vote of a majority of those shares that are represented at the Annual Meeting in person or by proxy, whether or not a quorum is present.

## Vote Required

The election of a director requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the shares of Common Stock cast at the Annual Meeting in person or by proxy. Abstentions are counted as present at the Annual Meeting but, assuming the presence of a quorum, will have the effect of a vote against each nominee.

Broker non-votes are described as votes cast by a broker or other nominee on behalf of a beneficial holder who does not provide explicit voting instructions to such broker or nominee and who does not attend the Annual Meeting. The election of a director is a non-routine matter. As a result, if you hold shares in “street name” through a broker, bank or other nominee, your broker, bank or nominee will **not** be permitted to exercise voting discretion with respect to the proposal at the Annual Meeting to elect each of Bryan A. Ward and Ethan Powell as a Class I director of the Corporation. Thus, if you do not give your broker or nominee specific instructions on how to vote for you or do not vote for yourself by returning a proxy card or by other arrangement with your broker or nominee, your shares will have no effect on the election of the Class I directors at the Annual Meeting.

## THE PROPOSAL ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The Board is currently composed of five directors, who are divided into three classes with staggered terms of three years each, with the term of office of one of the three classes expiring at each annual meeting of the stockholders. At the Annual Meeting, the holders of the Corporation’s shares of Common Stock are being asked to re-elect Bryan A. Ward and Ethan Powell as Class I Directors of the Corporation, each to serve for a three-year term expiring at the 2022 Annual Meeting of Stockholders or until his respective successor is duly elected and qualifies. Each of Messrs. Ward and Powell is currently serving as a Class I Director of the Corporation and has agreed to continue to serve as a Class I Director, if re-elected. If Messrs. Ward and Powell are not available for re-election at the time of the Annual Meeting, the persons named as proxies will vote for such substitute nominee(s) as the Corporation’s Governance and Compliance Committee may select.

Each of John Honis and Dustin Norris is currently serving as a Class III Director and each was last elected to serve a three year term at the Corporation’s annual meeting of stockholders held on June 22, 2018. Dr. Bob Froehlich is currently serving as a Class II Director. Dr. Froehlich was last elected to serve a three year term at

the Corporation's annual meeting of stockholders held on June 2, 2017. Ethan Powell and Bryan A. Ward are currently serving as Class I Directors. Messrs. Powell and Ward will continue to serve as Class I Directors if re-elected at the Annual Meeting. The Corporation's Directors are not required to attend the Corporation's annual stockholder meetings.

**THE BOARD, INCLUDING EACH OF THE INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS, UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS THAT STOCKHOLDERS VOTE "FOR" THE ELECTION OF THE NOMINEES AS DIRECTORS.**

#### **Qualifications and Additional Information about each Director Nominee and Continuing Directors**

The following provides an overview of the considerations that led the Board to conclude that each individual nominee for director or the individuals serving as continuing directors of the Corporation should be nominated or so serve, as well as each nominee's and each director's name and certain biographical information as reported by them to the Corporation. Among the factors the Board considered when concluding that an individual should be a nominee for director or serve on the Board were the following: the individual's experience, skills, expertise, education, knowledge, diversity, personal and professional integrity, character, business judgment, time availability in light of other commitments, dedication, the candidate's ability to qualify as an Independent Director and the existence of any other relationships that might give rise to a conflict of interest and other relevant factors that the Corporation's Governance and Compliance Committee considers appropriate in the context of the needs of the Board (e.g., whether a candidate is an "audit committee financial expert" under the federal securities laws).

In respect of each director nominee and each continuing director, the individual's professional accomplishments and prior experience, including, in some cases, in fields related to the operations of the Corporation, were a significant factor in the determination that the individual should be a nominee for director or serve as a director of the Corporation. Each director nominee's and each continuing director's professional experience and additional considerations that contributed to the Board's conclusion that an individual should serve on the Board are summarized in the table below.

The "Highland Funds Complex," as referred to herein consists of: the Corporation, each series of Highland Funds I ("HFI"), each series of Highland Funds II ("HFII"), Highland Floating Rate Opportunities Fund ("HFRO"), NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund ("NHF"), Highland Global Allocation Fund ("GAF"), NexPoint Event-Driven Fund ("NEDF"), NexPoint Latin American Opportunities Fund ("NLAF"), NexPoint Real Estate Strategies Fund ("NRESF"), NexPoint Strategic Income Fund ("NSIF"), NexPoint Energy and Materials Opportunities Fund ("NEMO"), NexPoint Discount Strategies Fund ("NDSF"), and NexPoint Healthcare Opportunities Fund ("NHOF" and, together with NEDF, NLAF, NRESF, NSIF, NEMO and NDSF, the "Interval Funds").

***Nominees for Class I Directors***

<b>Name, Date of Birth and Address (1)</b>	<b>Position(s) held with the Corporation</b>	<b>Term of Office and Length of Time Served (2)</b>	<b>Principal Occupation(s) During the Past Five Years</b>	<b>Other Directorships Held During the Past Five Years(3)</b>	<b>Experience, Qualifications, Attributes, Skills for Board Membership</b>
<b><i>Independent Directors</i></b>					
Bryan A. Ward (2/4/1955)	Director and Chairman of the Audit and Qualified Legal Compliance Committee	Term expires 2019; Class I Director since 2014	Senior Advisor, CrossFirst Bank since April 2019; Private Investor, BW Consulting, LLC since 2014; Senior Manager, Accenture, LLP (a consulting firm) from 2002 until retirement in 2014.	Director of Equity Metrix, LLC.	Significant experience on this and/or other boards of directors/trustees; significant managerial and executive experience; significant experience as a management consultant.
Ethan Powell (4) (6/20/1975)	Director and Chairman of the Board	Term expires 2019; Class I Director since 2014	President and Founder of Impact Shares LLC since December 2015; Trustee/Director of the Highland Funds Complex from June 2012 until July 2013 and since December 2013; Chief Product Strategist of Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P. ("HCMFA") from 2012 until December 2015; Senior Retail Fund Analyst of Highland Capital Management, L.P. ("HCM") from 2007 until December 2015 and HCMFA from its inception until December 2015.	Trustee of Impact Shares Funds I Trust.	Significant experience in the financial industry; significant executive experience including past service as an officer of funds in the Highland Funds Complex; significant administrative and managerial experience.

***Class II Directors (continuing directors not up for re-election at the Annual Meeting)***

<b>Name, Date of Birth and Address (1)</b>	<b>Position(s) held with the Corporation</b>	<b>Term of Office and Length of Time Served(2)</b>	<b>Principal Occupation(s) During the Past Five Years</b>	<b>Other Directorships Held During the Past Five Years(3)</b>	<b>Experience, Qualifications, Attributes, Skills for Board Membership</b>
<b><i>Independent Director</i></b>					
Dr. Bob Froehlich (4/28/1953)	Director	Term expires 2020; Class II Director since 2014	Retired.	Trustee of ARC Realty Finance Trust, Inc. (from January 2013 to May 2016); Director of KC Concessions, Inc. (since January 2013); Trustee of Realty Capital Income Funds Trust (from January 2014 to December 2016); Director of American Realty Capital Healthcare Trust II (from January 2013 to June 2016); Director, American Realty Capital Daily Net Asset Value Trust, Inc. (from November 2012 to July 2016); Director of American Sports Enterprise, Inc. (since January 2013); Director of Davidson Investment Advisors (from July 2009 to July 2016); Chairman and owner, Kane County Cougars Baseball Club (since January 2013); Advisory Board of Directors, Internet Connectivity Group, Inc. (from January 2014 to April 2016); Director of AXAR Acquisition Corp. (formerly AR Capital Acquisition Corp.) (from October 2014 to October 2017); Director of The Midwest League of Professional Baseball Clubs, Inc.; Director of Kane County Cougars Foundation, Inc.; Director of Galen Robotics, Inc.; Chairman and Director of FC Global Realty, Inc. (from May 2017 to June 2018); and Chairman and Director of First Capital Investment Corp. (from March 2017 to March 2018).	Significant experience in the financial industry; significant managerial and executive experience; significant experience on other boards of directors, including as a member of several audit committees.

***Class III Directors (continuing directors not up for re-election at the Annual Meeting)***

<b>Name, Date of Birth and Address (1)</b>	<b>Position(s) held with the Corporation</b>	<b>Term of Office and Length of Time Served (2)</b>	<b>Principal Occupation(s) During the Past Five Years</b>	<b>Other Directorships Held During the Past Five Years(3)</b>	<b>Experience, Qualifications, Attributes, Skills for Board Membership</b>
<b><i>Independent Director</i></b>					
John Honis (5) (6/16/1958)	Director	Terms expires 2021; Class III Director since 2014	President of Rand Advisors, LLC since August 2013; Partner of HCM from February 2007 until his resignation in November 2014.	Manager of Turtle Bay Resort, LLC (August 2011 to December 2018); Manager of American Home Patient (November 2011 to February 2016).	Significant experience in the financial industry; significant managerial and executive experience, including experience as president, chief executive officer or chief restructuring officer of five telecommunication firms; experience on other boards of directors/trustees.

<b>Name, Date of Birth and Address (1)</b>	<b>Position(s) held with the Corporation</b>	<b>Term of Office and Length of Time Served (2)</b>	<b>Principal Occupation(s) During the Past Five Years</b>	<b>Other Directorships Held During the Past Five Years(3)</b>	<b>Experience, Qualifications, Attributes, Skills for Board Membership</b>
<b><i>Interested Director</i></b>					
Dustin Norris (6) (1/6/1984)	Director	Terms expires 2021; Class III Director since February 2018	President of NexPoint Securities, Inc. (formerly, Highland Capital Funds Distributor, Inc.) since April 2018; Head of Distribution and Chief Product Strategist at the Adviser since March 2019; Head of Distribution at HCMFA from November 2018 to March 2019; Secretary of Highland Floating Rate Opportunities Fund ("HFRO"), Highland Global Allocation Fund ("GAF"), Highland Funds I ("HFI") and Highland Funds II ("HFII") from October 2017-April 2019; Assistant Secretary of HFRO and GAF from August 2017 to October 2017; Chief Product Strategist at HCMFA from September 2015 to March 2019; and Director of Product Strategy at HCMFA from May 2014 to September 2015; Assistant Secretary of HFI and HFII from March 2017 to October 2017; Secretary of NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund ("NHF") from December 2015 to April 2019; Assistant Treasurer of NexPoint Real Estate Advisors, L.P. since May 2015; Assistant Treasurer of NexPoint Real Estate Advisors II, L.P. since June 2016; Assistant Treasurer of HFI and HFII from November 2012 to March 2017; Assistant Treasurer of NHF from November 2012 to December 2015; Secretary of the Corporation from 2014 to April 2019; Secretary of the Interval Funds from March 2016 to April 2019; and Senior Accounting Manager at HCMFA from August 2012 to May 2014.	None	Significant experience in the financial industry; significant managerial and executive experience, including experience as an officer of the Highland Funds Complex since 2012.

- (1) The address for each nominee and director is c/o NexPoint Advisors, L.P., 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201.
- (2) On an annual basis, as a matter of Board policy, the Governance and Compliance Committee reviews each director's performance and determines whether to extend each such director's service for another year. Effective June 2013, the Board adopted a retirement policy wherein the Committee shall not recommend the continued service as a director of a Board member who is older than 80 years of age at the time the Committee reports its findings to the Board.
- (3) Each nominee and director oversees 24 portfolios in the Highland Funds Complex.
- (4) Prior to December 8, 2017, Mr. Powell was treated as an Interested Director of the Corporation for all purposes other than compensation and the Corporation's code of ethics.
- (5) Since May 1, 2015, Mr. Honis has been treated as an Independent Director of the Corporation. Prior to that date, Mr. Honis was treated as an Interested Director because he was a partner of an investment adviser affiliated with the Adviser until his resignation in November 2014. As of March 5, 2019, Mr. Honis was entitled to receive aggregate severance and/or deferred compensation payments of approximately \$400,000 from another affiliate of the Adviser.

In addition, Mr. Honis serves as a trustee of a trust that owns substantially all of the economic interest in an investment adviser affiliated with the Adviser. Mr. Honis indirectly receives an asset-based fee in respect of such interest, which is projected to range from \$450,000-\$550,000 annually. Additionally, an investment adviser controlled by Mr. Honis has entered into a shared services arrangement with an affiliate of the Adviser, pursuant to which the affiliate provides back office support in exchange for approximately \$50,000 per quarter. The affiliated adviser was paid \$147,000 and \$208,000 in 2017 and 2018, respectively. In light of these relationships between Mr. Honis and affiliates of the Adviser, it is possible that the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") might in the future determine Mr. Honis to be an interested person of the Corporation.

- (6) On February 7, 2018, Mr. Norris was appointed as an Interested Director of the Corporation.

### Information about the Executive Officers

Set forth below are the names and certain information regarding the Corporation's executive officers. Each executive officer serves until his successor has been duly elected and qualifies, or until his earlier resignation or removal.

<b>Name, Date of Birth and Address (1)</b>	<b>Position(s) held with the Corporation</b>	<b>Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years</b>
James Dondero (6/29/1962)	President and Principal Executive Officer since 2014	President of HCM, which he co-founded in 1993; Chairman of the Board of NexPoint Residential Trust, Inc. since May 2015; Portfolio Manager of NHF, Portfolio Manager of Highland Energy MLP Fund, Highland Small-Cap Equity Fund and Highland Premier Growth Equity Fund (all series of HFII); Portfolio Manager of Highland Opportunistic Credit Fund (series of HFI), Portfolio Manager of the Corporation and Portfolio Manager of GAF (including its predecessor in interest) since 2014; President of NexPoint Real Estate Advisors, L.P. since May 2015; President of NexPoint Real Estate Advisors II, L.P. since June 2016; President and Portfolio Manager of the Interval Funds since 2016.



<b>Name, Date of Birth and Address (1)</b>	<b>Position(s) held with the Corporation</b>	<b>Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years</b>
Frank Waterhouse (4/14/1971)	Treasurer, Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer since May 2015	Principal Executive Officer of HFI, HFII, HFRO, and GAF since February 2018; Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer of HFRO, GAF, the Corporation, NHF, HFI, HFII, and NexPoint Real Estate Advisors, L.P. since October 2017; Treasurer of HFRO and GAF since August 2017; Assistant Treasurer of Acis Capital Management, L.P. from December 2011 to February 2012; Treasurer of Acis Capital Management, L.P. since February 2012; Treasurer of HCM since April 2012; Assistant Treasurer of HCMFA from December 2011 until October 2012; Treasurer of HCMFA since October 2012; Treasurer of the Adviser since March 2012 and Treasurer of the Corporation, NHF, HFI, HFII, and NexPoint Real Estate Advisors, L.P. since May 2015; Treasurer of NexPoint Real Estate Advisors II, L.P. since June 2016; Treasurer of the Interval Funds since March 2016.
Clifford Stoops (11/17/1970)	Assistant Treasurer since March 2017	Assistant Treasurer of HFRO and GAF since August 2018; Assistant Treasurer of HFI, HFII, NHF, the Corporation and the Interval Funds since March 2017; Chief Accounting Officer at HCM since December 2011.
Jason Post (1/9/1979)	Chief Compliance Officer since September 2015	Chief Compliance Officer and Anti-Money Laundering Officer of HFRO and GAF since August 2017; Chief Compliance Officer and Anti-Money Laundering Officer of HFI, HFII, the Corporation and NHF since September 2015; Chief Compliance Officer and Anti-Money Laundering Officer of the Interval Funds since March 2016; and Chief Compliance Officer for HCMFA and NexPoint since September 2015. Prior to this role served as Deputy Chief Compliance Officer and Director of Compliance for HCM.
Lauren Thedford (1/7/1989)	Secretary since April 2019	Associate General Counsel at HCM since September 2017; In-House Counsel at HCM from January 2015 until September 2017; Secretary of the Highland Funds Complex since April 2019.

(1) The address for each officer is c/o NexPoint Advisors, L.P., 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201.

**Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management**

The following table sets forth certain ownership information with respect to our Common Stock, as of February 28, 2019, for those persons who directly or indirectly own, control or hold with the power to vote, five percent or more of our outstanding Common Stock and all officers and directors, individually and as a group.

<u>Name and Address(1)</u>	<u>Type of Ownership Record</u>	<u>Shares Owned</u>	<u>Value of Securities</u>	<u>Percentage of Outstanding Shares as of February 28, 2019</u>
NexPoint Advisors, L.P.		2,361,234	\$21,109,428	22.56%
<b>Independent Directors</b>				
Dr. Bob Froehlich	N/A	None	\$ 0	0%
John Honis	N/A	None	\$ 0	0%
Bryan A. Ward	N/A	None	\$ 0	0%
Ethan Powell(2)	N/A	None	\$ 0	0%
<b>Interested Director</b>				
Dustin Norris(3)	N/A	None	\$ 0	0%
<b>Executive Officers</b>				
James Dondero(4)	N/A	None	\$ 0	0%
Clifford Stoops	N/A	None	\$ 0	0%
Frank Waterhouse	N/A	None	\$ 0	0%
Jason Post	N/A	None	\$ 0	0%
All officers and directors as a group (9 persons)	N/A	None	\$ 0	0%

- (1) The address for the Adviser and each director or officer is c/o NexPoint Advisors, L.P., 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201.
- (2) Prior to December 8, 2017, Mr. Powell was treated as an Interested Director of the Corporation for all purposes other than compensation and the Corporation's code of ethics.
- (3) On February 7, 2018, Mr. Norris was appointed as an Interested Director of the Corporation.
- (4) Mr. Dondero controls NexPoint Advisors GP, LLC, which is the general partner of the Adviser. Through his control of NexPoint Advisors GP, LLC, Mr. Dondero may be viewed as having voting and dispositive power over the shares of the Common Stock directly owned by the Adviser.

**Dollar Range of Equity Securities Beneficially Owned by Directors**

Set forth in the table below is the dollar range of shares beneficially owned by each director in (i) the Corporation and (ii) all registered investment companies in the Highland Funds Complex overseen by such director.

<u>Name of Director</u>	<u>Dollar Range of Shares of the Corporation (1)</u>	<u>Aggregate Dollar Range of Equity Securities(2) Owned in All Registered Investment Companies Overseen by Director in the Highland Funds Complex</u>
<b>Independent Directors</b>		
Dr. Bob Froehlich	None	Over \$100,000
Bryan A. Ward	None	Over \$100,000
John Honis	None	None
Ethan Powell(3)	None	Over \$100,000
<b>Interested Director</b>		
Dustin Norris(4)	None	Over \$100,000

- (1) Based on market value as of December 31, 2018.
- (2) Based on market value as of December 31, 2018.
- (3) Prior to December 8, 2017, Mr. Powell was treated as an Interested Director of the Corporation for all purposes other than compensation and the Corporation's code of ethics.
- (4) On February 7, 2018, Mr. Norris was appointed as an Interested Director of the Corporation.

### **Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance**

Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") and the rules thereunder require that the Corporation's directors and officers and persons who own beneficially, directly or indirectly, more than 10 percent of any class of the Corporation's securities file initial reports of beneficial ownership and reports of changes in beneficial ownership with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and furnish the Corporation with copies of all such reports. Specific due dates for those reports have been established, and the Corporation is required to report in this Proxy Statement any known failure to file such reports by those due dates. Based solely upon a review of the copies of such reports furnished, the Corporation does not know of any director, officer or person who beneficially owns more than 10 percent of any class of the Corporation's securities who failed to file on a timely basis the required reports.

### **Role of the Board of Directors, Leadership Structure and Risk Oversight**

#### ***The Role of the Board of Directors***

The Board oversees the management and operations of the Corporation. Like most business development companies and registered investment companies, the day-to-day management and operation of the Corporation is performed by various service providers to the Corporation, such as the Adviser, custodian and transfer agent. The Board has appointed senior employees of certain of these service providers as officers of the Corporation, with responsibility to monitor and report to the Board on the Corporation's operations. The Board receives regular reports from these officers and service providers regarding the Corporation's operations. For example, the Chief Financial Officer provides reports as to financial reporting matters and investment personnel report on the performance of the Corporation. The Board has appointed a Chief Compliance Officer who administers the Corporation's compliance program and regularly reports to the Board as to compliance matters. Some of these reports are provided as part of formal in-person Board meetings, which are typically held quarterly, and involve the Board's review of, among other items, recent Corporation operations. The Board also periodically holds telephonic meetings as part of its review of the Corporation's activities. From time to time, one or more members of the Board may also meet with management in less formal settings, between scheduled Board meetings, to discuss various topics. In all cases, however, the role of the Board and of any individual director is one of oversight and not of management of the day-to-day affairs of the Corporation and its oversight role does not make the Board a guarantor of the Corporation's investments, operations or activities.

#### ***Board Structure and Leadership***

The Board has structured itself in a manner that it believes allows it to perform its oversight function effectively. The Board consists of five directors, four of whom are not "interested persons," as defined in 1940 Act, of the Corporation. These individuals are referred to as the Corporation's independent directors (the "Independent Directors"). The other director, Mr. Norris, is currently treated as an interested director (the "Interested Director") because of his position with the Adviser, and his previous position with HCMFA, an affiliate of the Adviser. During the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018, the Board convened eleven times. Each Director then serving in such capacity attended at least 75% of the meetings. The Corporation encourages, but does not require, Directors to attend the Annual Meeting.

The Board periodically reviews its leadership structure, including the role of the Chairman. The Board also completes an annual self-assessment during which it reviews its leadership and Committee structure and

considers whether its structure remains appropriate in light of the Corporation's current operations. The Board believes that its leadership structure, including the current percentage of the Board who are Independent Directors is appropriate given its specific characteristics. These characteristics include: (i) the extent to which the work of the Board is conducted through the standing committees, each of whose meetings are chaired by an Independent Director; (ii) the extent to which the Independent Directors meet as needed, together with their independent legal counsel, in the absence of members of management and any member of the Board who is considered an "interested person" of the Corporation; and (iii) Mr. Powell's and Mr. Honis' previous positions with affiliates of the Adviser, which enhances the Board's understanding of the operations of the Adviser.

**Board Oversight of Risk Management.** The Board's role is one of oversight, rather than active management. This oversight extends to the Corporation's risk management processes. These processes are embedded in the responsibilities of officers of, and service providers to, the Corporation. For example, the Adviser and other service providers to the Corporation are primarily responsible for the management of the Corporation's investment risks. The Board has not established a formal risk oversight committee. However, much of the regular work of the Board and its standing Committees addresses aspects of risk oversight. For example, the Directors seek to understand the key risks facing the Corporation, including those involving conflicts of interest; how management identifies and monitors these risks on an ongoing basis; how management develops and implements controls to mitigate these risks; and how management tests the effectiveness of those controls.

In the course of providing that oversight, the Board receives a wide range of reports on the Corporation's activities from the Adviser and other service providers, including reports regarding the Corporation's investment portfolio, the compliance of the Corporation with applicable laws, and the Corporation's financial accounting and reporting. The Board also meets periodically with the Corporation's Chief Compliance Officer to receive reports regarding the compliance of the Corporation with the federal securities laws and the Corporation's internal compliance policies and procedures and meets with the Corporation's Chief Compliance Officer periodically, including at least annually, to review the Chief Compliance Officer's annual report, including the Chief Compliance Officer's risk-based analysis for the Corporation. The Board's Audit and Qualified Legal Compliance Committee (the "Audit Committee") also meets regularly with the Chief Financial Officer and the Corporation's independent registered public accounting firm to discuss, among other things, the internal control structure of the Corporation's financial reporting function. The Board also meets periodically with the portfolio managers of the Corporation to receive reports regarding the management of the Corporation, including its investment risks.

The Board recognizes that not all risks that may affect the Corporation can be identified, that it may not be practical or cost-effective to eliminate or mitigate certain risks, that it may be necessary to bear certain risks (such as investment-related risks) to achieve the Corporation's goals, that reports received by the directors with respect to risk management matters are typically summaries of the relevant information, and that the processes, procedures and controls employed to address risks may be limited in their effectiveness. As a result of the foregoing and other factors, risk management oversight by the Board and by the Committees is subject to substantial limitations.

### **Committees of the Board**

The Board conducts much of its work through certain standing Committees. The Board has three Committees, the Audit and Qualified Legal Compliance Committee (the "Audit Committee"), the Governance and Compliance Committee, and the Distribution and Alternatives Oversight Committee, which are discussed in greater detail below. The Board has adopted charters for each of these Committees.

Prior to March 1, 2019, the Board had five Committees, the Audit Committee, the Governance Committee, the Compliance Committee, the Distribution Oversight Committee and the Alternatives Oversight Committee. For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018, the Audit Committee held seven meetings and the Governance Committee held three meetings. The Compliance Committee held three meetings during the fiscal year ended

December 31, 2018. The Distribution Oversight Committee held two meetings during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018. The Alternatives Oversight Committee held two meetings during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018. Each Director then serving in such capacity attended at least 75% of the meetings of the Committees of which he is a member.

#### ***Audit and Qualified Legal Compliance Committee***

The members of the Audit Committee are Dr. Froehlich and Messrs. Ward and Powell, each of whom is an Independent Director. Mr. Ward serves as Chairman of the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee is responsible for approving the Corporation's independent registered public accounting firm, reviewing with the Corporation's independent accountants the plans and results of the audit engagement and the adequacy of the Corporation's internal accounting controls, and approving professional services provided by the independent registered public accounting firm. The Audit Committee is charged with compliance with Rules 205.2(k) and 205.3(c) of Title 17 of the Code of Federal Regulations regarding alternative reporting procedures for attorneys representing the Corporation who appear and practice before the SEC on behalf of the Corporation. The Audit Committee is also responsible for reviewing and overseeing the valuation of debt and equity securities that are not publicly traded or for which current market values are not readily available pursuant to policies and procedures adopted by the Board. The Board and Audit Committee will use the services of one or more independent valuation firms to help them determine the fair value of these securities. The Board has determined that Mr. Ward is an "audit committee financial expert," as defined under Item 407(d)(5) of Regulation S-K under the Exchange Act. In addition, each member of the Audit Committee meets the current independence and experience requirements of Rule 10A-3 under the Exchange Act.

A current copy of the Corporation's Audit Committee Charter is available on the Corporation's website at <http://nexpointcapital.com/investor-relations/>.

#### ***Governance and Compliance Committee***

The members of the Governance and Compliance Committee are Dr. Froehlich and Messrs. Honis, Powell and Ward, each of whom is independent for purposes of the 1940 Act. Dr. Froehlich serves as the Chairman of the Governance and Compliance Committee. The Governance and Compliance Committee's function is to oversee and make recommendations to the full Board or the Independent Directors, as applicable, with respect to the Corporation's governance, selection and nomination of directors, compensation of directors, and related matters, as well as to oversee and assist Board oversight of the Corporation's compliance with legal and regulatory requirements and to seek to address any potential conflicts of interest between the Corporation and the Adviser in connection with any potential or existing litigation or other legal proceeding related to securities held by the Corporation and the Adviser or another client of the Adviser. The Governance and Compliance Committee is also responsible for at least annually evaluating each director and determining whether to recommend each director's continued service in that capacity.

The Governance and Compliance Committee considers nominees properly recommended by the Corporation's stockholders. The Corporation's bylaws provide that for any nomination to be properly brought by a stockholder for a meeting, such stockholder will have to comply with advance notice requirements and provide the Corporation with certain information. Generally, to be timely, a stockholder's notice must be received at the Corporation's principal executive offices not less than 90 days nor more than 120 days prior to the first anniversary of the date the proxy statement for the immediately preceding annual meeting of stockholders was released to the Corporation's stockholders.

The Corporation's bylaws further provide that nominations of persons for election to the Board at a special meeting may be made only by or at the direction of the Board and, provided that the Board has determined that directors will be elected at the meeting, by a stockholder who is entitled to vote at the meeting and who has complied with the advance notice provisions of the bylaws.

This notice must contain, as to each nominee, all of the information relating to such person as would be required to be disclosed in a proxy statement meeting the requirements of Regulation 14A under the Exchange Act, and certain other information set forth in the bylaws, including the following information for each director nominee: full name, age and address; principal occupation during the past five years; directorships on publicly held companies and investment companies during the past five years; number of shares of Common Stock owned, if any; and a written consent of the individual to stand for election if nominated by the Board and to serve if elected by the stockholders. In order to be eligible to be a nominee for election as a director, such potential nominee may be required to provide additional information to determine his or her qualifications or eligibility to serve on the Board.

The Governance and Compliance Committee has not established any specific, minimum qualifications that must be met for an individual to be considered for nomination as a director. Criteria and attributes considered by the Governance and Compliance Committee in evaluating the qualifications of individuals for election as a director, including individuals nominated by stockholders, include the following: experience, skills, expertise, education, knowledge, diversity, personal and professional integrity, character, business judgment, time availability in light of other commitments, dedication, the individual's ability to qualify as an Independent Director and the existence of any other relationships that might give rise to a conflict of interest and other relevant factors that the Governance and Compliance Committee considers appropriate in the context of the needs of the Board (e.g., whether a candidate is an "audit committee financial expert" under the federal securities laws).

A current copy of the Corporation's Governance and Compliance Committee Charter is available on the Corporation's website at <http://nexpointcapital.com/investor-relations/>.

#### ***Alternatives and Distribution Oversight Committee***

The members of the Alternatives and Distribution Oversight Committee are Dr. Froehlich and Messrs. Honis, Norris, Powell and Ward. The Alternatives and Distribution Oversight Committee is responsible for reviewing arrangements with financial intermediaries who provide service to the Corporation, including Corporation payments to financial intermediaries and for overseeing any funds that, in the Board's determination, employ alternative investment strategies. Mr. Honis serves as Chairman of the Alternatives and Distribution Oversight Committee.

#### ***Compensation Committee***

As none of the Corporation's executive officers are compensated by the Corporation, the Corporation does not have a compensation committee and neither the Board nor a Committee thereof produces and/or reviews a report on executive compensation practices. The Governance and Compliance Committee reviews and evaluates compensation payable to the Independent Directors at least annually to ensure that such compensation continues to be appropriate in light of the responsibilities of the Independent Directors. The Governance and Compliance Committee makes any recommendations regarding changes to Independent Directors' compensation to the Board, and the full Board approves the Independent Directors' compensation.

#### ***Compensation of Directors and Executive Officers***

The executive officers of the Corporation receive no direct remuneration from the Corporation. Each Independent Director of the Corporation receives an annual retainer of \$150,000 payable in quarterly installments and allocated among each portfolio in the Highland Funds Complex based upon relative net assets. The Independent Directors are reimbursed for actual out-of-pocket expenses relating to attendance at meetings. The Independent Directors do not receive any separate compensation in connection with service on Committees or for attending Board or Committee meetings; however, the Chairman of the Board and the Chairman of the Audit Committee each receive an additional payment of \$10,000 payable in quarterly installments and allocated among each portfolio in the Highland Funds Complex based on relative net assets. The Independent Directors do not receive equity awards or incentive-based compensation and do not have any pension or retirement plan.

The following table summarizes the compensation paid by the Corporation to its directors and the aggregate compensation paid by the Highland Funds Complex to the directors for services rendered in the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018.

<u>Name of Director</u>	<u>Aggregate Compensation from the Corporation</u>	<u>Aggregate Compensation from the Highland Funds Complex</u>
<b><i>Independent Directors</i></b>		
Timothy K. Hui(1)	\$3,820.75	\$150,000
Bryan A. Ward(2)	\$3,820.75	\$150,000
Dr. Bob Froehlich	\$3,820.75	\$150,000
John Honis(3)	\$3,820.75	\$150,000
Ethan Powell(2,4)	\$3,820.75	\$150,000
<b><i>Interested Director</i></b>		
Dustin Norris(5)	N/A	N/A

- (1) Effective March 31, 2019, Mr. Hui resigned as an Independent Director of the Corporation.
- (2) Effective December 31, 2018, the Board approved an aggregate compensation increase of \$10,000 payable to each of the Chairman of the Audit Committee and the Chairman of the Board.
- (3) Effective May 1, 2015, Mr. Honis is treated as an Independent Director of the Corporation.
- (4) Prior to December 8, 2017, Mr. Powell was treated as an Interested Director of the Corporation for all purposes other than compensation and the Corporation's code of ethics.
- (5) On February 7, 2018, Mr. Norris was appointed an Interested Director of the Corporation.

#### **Code of Conduct and Code of Ethics**

The Corporation expects each of its officers and directors, as well as any person affiliated with its operations, to act in accordance with the highest standards of personal and professional integrity at all times and to comply with the Corporation's policies and procedures and all laws, rules and regulations of any applicable international, federal, provincial, state or local government. To this effect, the Corporation has adopted a Sarbanes-Oxley ("SOX") Code of Ethics, which is posted on the Corporation's website at <http://nexpointcapital.com/investor-relations/>. The SOX Code of Ethics applies to the Corporation's principal executive officer and principal financial officer.

As required by the 1940 Act, the Corporation and the Adviser have each adopted a Code of Ethics (the "Rule 17j-1 Code of Ethics") that establishes procedures that apply to the Corporation's directors, executive officers, officers, their respective staffs and the employees of the Adviser with respect to their personal investments and investment transactions. Each Rule 17j-1 Code of Ethics generally does not permit investments by the Corporation's directors, officers or any other covered person in securities that may be purchased or held by the Corporation. You may access the Corporation's Rule 17j-1 Code of Ethics on the Corporation's website at <http://nexpointcapital.com/investor-relations/>.

#### **Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions**

The Corporation has entered into agreements with the Adviser and Administrator. Certain members of the Corporation's senior management have ownership and financial interests in the Adviser and the Administrator. Members of senior management also serve as officers of other investment managers affiliated with the Adviser that do and may in the future manage investment funds, accounts or other investment vehicles with investment objectives similar to those of the Corporation. In addition, the Corporation's executive officers and directors and the members of the Adviser serve or may serve as officers, directors or principals of entities that operate in the same, or related, lines of business as the Corporation does or of investment funds, accounts or other investment vehicles managed by the Corporation's affiliates. These investment funds, accounts or other investment vehicles may have investment objectives similar to the Corporation's investment objective.

As a result, the Corporation may not be given the opportunity to participate in certain investments made by investment funds, accounts or other investment vehicles managed by the Adviser or its affiliates. However, in order to fulfill its fiduciary duties to each of its clients, the Adviser intends to allocate investment opportunities in a manner that is fair and equitable over time and is consistent with the Adviser's allocation policy, investment objective and strategies so that the Corporation is not disadvantaged in relation to any other client. Where the Corporation is able to co-invest consistent with the requirements of the 1940 Act, if sufficient securities or loan amounts are available to satisfy the Corporation's and each such account's proposed demand, the opportunity will be allocated in accordance with the Adviser's pre-transaction determination. If there is an insufficient amount of an investment opportunity to satisfy the Corporation's demand and that of other accounts sponsored or managed by the Adviser or its affiliates, the allocation policy provides that allocations among the Corporation and such other accounts will generally be made pro rata based on the amount that each such party would have invested if sufficient securities or loan amounts were available. Where the Corporation is unable to co-invest consistent with the requirements of the 1940 Act, the Adviser's allocation policy further provides for investments to be allocated on a random or rotational basis to assure that all clients have fair and equitable access to such investment opportunities.

The Board, in consultation with the Corporation's Chief Executive Officer, Chief Compliance Officer and legal counsel, may review potential related party transactions and, during these reviews, it may also consider any conflicts of interest brought to its attention pursuant to the Corporation's Code of Conduct or the Corporation's or the Adviser's Rule 17j-1 Code of Ethics.

The Corporation has entered into an investment advisory agreement with the Adviser pursuant to which the Adviser has agreed to provide investment advisory services to the Corporation. In exchange for these services, the Corporation will pay the Adviser a fee for investment management services consisting of a base management fee and a performance-based incentive fee. For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018, the Adviser earned a base management fee of \$2,025,178. For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018, the Adviser did not earn an incentive fee. Effective December 20, 2017, the Adviser ended its voluntary waiver of advisory fees. Fees waived before June 10, 2016 are not subject to recoupment. The Adviser may elect to recoup any fees voluntarily waived from and after June 10, 2016 within three years from the date that such fees were otherwise payable, provided that the recoupment of the Adviser will be limited to the amount of such voluntarily waived fees (excluding any fees the Adviser has indicated are not subject to recoupment) and will not cause the sum of the Corporation's advisory fees, administration fees, and "Other Expenses" (as defined in the Expense Limitation Agreement), nor will any recoupment exceed the annual rate of 3.40% of average gross assets.

The Corporation has also entered into an administration agreement pursuant to which the Adviser furnishes the Corporation with office facilities, equipment and clerical, bookkeeping, recordkeeping and other administrative services to enable the Corporation to operate. The Corporation has agreed to reimburse the Adviser for its allocable portion of overhead and other expenses incurred by the Adviser in performing its obligations under the administration agreement. To the extent that the Adviser outsources any of its functions, the Corporation will pay the fees associated with such functions on a direct basis without profit to the Adviser. In no event, however, will the Corporation reimburse the Adviser under the administration agreement in an amount that exceeds an annual rate of 0.4% of the Corporation's gross assets, including cash and cash equivalents and assets purchased with borrowed funds.

In the future, the Corporation may engage the Adviser or certain of its affiliates to provide services other than those discussed above. Any arrangements would be subject to approval by the Board prior to the Adviser or its affiliates being engaged to provide services to the Corporation.



### Information About the Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

At a meeting held on December 6-7, 2018, the Corporation's Audit Committee approved, and the Corporation's Board, including a majority of the Independent Directors, ratified the selection of, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP ("PwC") as the Corporation's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2019. After reviewing the Corporation's audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018, the Corporation's Audit Committee recommended to the Corporation's Board that such statements be included in the Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018. A copy of the Audit Committee's report appears below. The directors do not have knowledge of any direct or indirect financial interest of PwC in the Corporation. Representative(s) of PwC will not attend the Annual Meeting.

The following table presents fees for professional services rendered by PwC for the Corporation's fiscal years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017. One hundred percent (100%) of all services provided by PwC were pre-approved and no fees were subject to pre-approval by the Audit Committee pursuant to Rule 2-01(c)(7)(i)(c) of Regulation S-X. The audit services are approved by the Audit Committee pursuant to an audit engagement letter, and, in accordance with the Corporation's pre-approval policies and procedures, the Audit Committee of the Corporation must pre-approve all non-audit services provided by PwC, and all non-audit services provided by PwC to the Adviser, or any entity controlling, controlled by, or under common control with the Adviser that provides ongoing services to the Corporation that are related to the operations and financial reporting of the Corporation. In some circumstances, when certain services were not recognized at the time of the engagement to be non-audit services, the pre-approval requirement may be waived if the aggregate amount of the fees for such non-audit services constitutes less than five percent of the total amount of revenues paid to PwC by the Corporation during the fiscal year in which the non-audit services are provided. PwC provides permitted non-audit services to certain entities controlling, controlled by or under common control with the Adviser that provide ongoing services to the Corporation.

	<b>Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2018</b>	<b>Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2017</b>
Audit Fees paid by the Corporation	\$139,500	\$132,000
Audit-Related Fees paid by the Corporation	\$ 66,000	\$ 67,500
Tax Fees paid by the Corporation	\$ 11,430	\$ 11,430
All Other Fees paid by the Corporation	\$ 0	\$ 0
Total Fees	<u>\$216,930</u>	<u>\$210,930</u>

**Audit Fees.** Audit fees consist of fees billed for professional services rendered for the audit of the Corporation's year-end financial statements and reviews of the interim financial statements included in quarterly reports and services that are normally provided by PwC in connection with statutory and regulatory filings.

**Audit-Related Fees.** Audit-related fees consist of fees billed for assurance and related services that are reasonably related to the performance of the audit or review of the Corporation's financial statements and are not reported under "Audit Fees." These services include attestation services that are not required by statute or regulation, consultations concerning financial accounting and reporting standards, and fees related to requests for documentation and information from regulatory and other government agencies.

**Tax Fees.** Tax fees consist of fees billed for professional services for tax compliance. These services include assistance regarding federal, state, and local tax compliance.

**All Other Fees.** All other fees include fees for products and services other than the services reported above.

### Report of the Audit Committee(1)

The following is the report of the Audit Committee (the “Committee”) of NexPoint Capital, Inc. (the “Corporation”) with respect to the Corporation’s audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018.

The Committee oversees the Corporation’s accounting and financial reporting processes and the audits of the Corporation’s financial statements. Management is responsible for the preparation, presentation and integrity of the Corporation’s financial statements, the Corporation’s accounting and financial and reporting principles, and internal controls and procedures designed to assure compliance with accounting standards and applicable laws and regulations. The Committee reviewed the audited financial statements in the Corporation’s annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018 with management and discussed the quality of the accounting principles, the reasonableness of significant judgments and the clarity of disclosures in the financial statements.

The Committee has considered and discussed the above described December 31, 2018 audited financial statements with management and with PwC. The Committee has also discussed with PwC the matters required to be discussed by the statement on Auditing Standards No. 1301, as amended (AICPA, Professional Standards, Vol. 1. AU section 380), as adopted by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (“PCAOB”) in Rule 3200T, *The Auditor’s Communication With Those Charged With Governance*. The Committee reviewed with PwC, who is responsible for expressing an opinion on the conformity of those audited financial statements with generally accepted accounting principles, their judgment as to the quality, not just the acceptability, of the Corporation’s accounting principles and such other matters as are required to be discussed with the Committee under generally accepted auditing standards. Finally, the Committee reviewed the written disclosures and the letters from PwC required by PCAOB Rule 3526, *Communication with Audit Committees Concerning Independence*, as currently in effect, has considered whether the provision of other non-audit services by PwC to the Corporation are compatible with maintaining PwC’s independence, and has discussed with PwC its independence of the Corporation.

The Committee discussed with PwC the overall scope and plans for the audit. The Committee met with PwC to discuss the results of their audit, their evaluations of the Corporation’s internal controls and the overall quality of the Corporation’s financial reporting.

Based upon the reports and discussions described in this report, and subject to the limitations on the role and responsibilities of the Committee referred to in this proxy statement and in the Committee’s Charter, the Committee recommended to the Board (and the Board has approved) that the Corporation’s audited financial statements be included in the Corporation’s annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018 and filed with the SEC.

Stockholders are reminded, however, that the members of the Committee are not professionally engaged in the practice of auditing or accounting. Members of the Committee rely, without independent verification, on the information provided to them and on the representations made by management and PwC. Accordingly, the Committee’s oversight does not provide an independent basis to determine that management has maintained appropriate accounting and financial reporting principles or appropriate internal controls and procedures designed to assure compliance with accounting standards and applicable laws and regulations. Furthermore, the Committee’s considerations and discussions, referred to above, do not assure that the audit of the Corporation’s

- (1) The material in this report is not “soliciting material,” is not deemed “filed” with the SEC, and is not to be incorporated by reference into any filing of the Corporation under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, whether made before or after the date hereof and irrespective of any general incorporation language in any such filing.

financial statements has been carried out in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB, that the financial statements are presented in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America or that the Corporation's independent registered public accounting firm is, in fact, "independent."

Bryan A. Ward, Committee Chair  
 Dr. Bob Froehlich, Committee Member  
 Timothy K. Hui, Committee Member<sup>1</sup>  
 Ethan Powell, Committee Member

## **OTHER MATTERS TO COME BEFORE THE ANNUAL MEETING**

The directors do not intend to present any other business at the Annual Meeting nor are they aware that any stockholder intends to do so. If, however, any other matters are properly brought before the Annual Meeting, the persons named in the proxy will vote thereon in accordance with their judgment.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

### **Stockholder Proposals**

The Corporation expects that the 2020 Annual Meeting of Stockholders will be held in June 2020, but the exact date, time and location of such meeting have yet to be determined. Proposals to be included in the proxy statement for the 2020 Annual Meeting must be submitted by eligible stockholders who have complied with the relevant regulations of the SEC and received no later than December 26, 2019.

In addition, the Corporation's bylaws contain an advance notice provision requiring that, if a stockholder's proposal, including nomination of a director, is brought before the next annual meeting of the Corporation's stockholders, such stockholder must provide timely notice thereof in writing addressed to Lauren Thedford, Secretary, c/o NexPoint Capital, Inc., 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201. Notices of intention to present proposals, including nomination of a director, at the 2020 Annual Meeting must be received by the Corporation between December 26, 2019 and 5:00 p.m. Central Time on January 24, 2020. The submission of a proposal does not guarantee its inclusion in the Corporation's proxy statement or presentation at the 2020 Annual Meeting of the Stockholders unless certain securities law requirements are met. The Corporation reserves the right to reject, rule out of order, or to take other appropriate action with respect to any proposal that does not comply with these and other applicable requirements. Proxies solicited by the Corporation will confer discretionary voting authority with respect to these proposals if the proposals are not received by the Corporation, in good order and complying with all applicable legal requirements, by March 9, 2020, and may confer discretionary voting authority with respect to proposals received before such date, in each case subject to SEC rules governing the exercise of this authority.

### **Delivery Requirements**

The SEC has adopted rules that permit companies and intermediaries such as brokers to satisfy delivery requirements for proxy statements with respect to two or more stockholders sharing the same address by delivering a single proxy statement or Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials ("Notice") addressed to those stockholders or by sending separate Notices for each household account in a single envelope. This process, which is commonly referred to as "householding," potentially provides extra convenience for stockholders and cost savings for companies. The Corporation and some brokers household proxy materials or Notices, delivering

<sup>1</sup> Effective March 31, 2019, Mr. Hui resigned as an Independent Director of the Corporation.

a single proxy statement or Notice to multiple stockholders sharing an address unless contrary instructions have been received from the affected stockholders. Once a stockholder has received notice from a broker or the Corporation that they will be householding materials to the stockholder's address, householding will continue until the stockholder is notified otherwise or until the stockholder revokes consent. If a stockholder does not want Corporation mailings consolidated and would prefer to receive separate mailings at any time in the future, the stockholder should call the Corporation at (844) 485-9167 or write the Corporation c/o NexPoint Advisors, L.P., 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201 and the Corporation will furnish separate mailings, in accordance with instructions.

**COPIES OF THE CORPORATION'S ANNUAL REPORT DATED DECEMBER 31, 2018 TO STOCKHOLDERS ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST, WITHOUT CHARGE, BY WRITING TO AST FUND SOLUTIONS, LLC AT AST FUND SOLUTIONS, ATTN: NEXPOINT 13450 FULFILLMENT, 55 CHALLENGER ROAD, RIDGEFIELD PARK, NEW JERSEY 07660, BY CALLING (800) 967-5068, OR BY SENDING AN E-MAIL TO CORPORATESERVICES@ASTFUNDSOLUTIONS.COM, USING SUBJECT LINE: NEXPOINT 13450 FULFILLMENT.**

#### **Communications with Directors**

Stockholders of the Corporation who wish to communicate with the directors (or with an individual director) should send communications to the attention of Lauren Thedford, Secretary, c/o NexPoint Advisors, L.P., 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201, and all communications will be directed to the director or directors indicated in the communication or, if no director or directors are indicated, to all directors.

**It is important that proxies be returned promptly. Whether or not you expect to attend the Annual Meeting in person, you are urged to complete and sign the enclosed proxy card and return it promptly in the enclosed envelope, which needs no postage if mailed in the United States.**

Dallas, Texas  
April 24, 2019



## PROXY CARD

**SIGN, DATE AND VOTE ON THE REVERSE SIDE** →

**YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT NO MATTER HOW MANY SHARES YOU OWN. PLEASE CAST YOUR PROXY VOTE *TODAY!***

### PROXY VOTING OPTIONS



1. **MAIL** your signed and voted proxy back in the postage paid envelope provided



2. **ONLINE** at **proxyonline.com** using your proxy control number found below



3. By **IVR** when you call (888) 227-9349 (toll-free) to reach an automated touchtone voting line



4. By **PHONE** with a live operator when you call (800) 967-5068 (toll-free) Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Eastern time

**CONTROL NUMBER** ➤

## NEXPOINT CAPITAL, INC.

### PROXY FOR AN ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS TO BE HELD ON JUNE 14, 2019

The undersigned holder of shares of NexPoint Capital, Inc., a Delaware Corporation (the "Corporation"), revoking prior proxies, hereby appoints Frank Waterhouse and Jason Post, as attorneys-in-fact and proxies of the undersigned, granted in connection with the voting of the shares subject hereto. Each of them, with full power of substitution, are entitled to vote shares held in the name of the undersigned as of the record date at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders of NexPoint Capital, Inc. at 200 Crescent Court, Crescent Club, Dallas, Texas 75201 on June 14, 2019, at 8:15 a.m. Central Time (the "Annual Meeting"), or at any adjournment or postponement thereof, upon the Proposals described in the Notice of Meeting and accompanying Proxy Statement. The undersigned acknowledges receiving the Notice of Meeting and accompanying Proxy Statement.

### Do you have questions?

If you have any questions about how to vote your proxy or about the meeting in general, please call toll-free (800) 967-5068. Representatives are available to assist you Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Eastern Time.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIALS FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS TO BE HELD JUNE 14, 2019:

The proxy statement is available online at: <https://www.proxyonline.com/docs/NexPoint2019.pdf>

PROXY CARD

NEXPOINT CAPITAL, INC.

**YOUR SIGNATURE IS REQUIRED FOR YOUR VOTE TO BE COUNTED.**

The signer(s) acknowledge(s) receipt of this Proxy Statement of the Board of Directors. Your signature(s) on this should be exactly as your name(s) appear on this Proxy (reverse side). If the shares are held jointly, each holder should sign this Proxy. Attorneys-in-fact, executors, administrators, trustees or guardians should indicate the full title and capacity in which they are signing.

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE (AND TITLE IF APPLICABLE) DATE

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE (IF HELD JOINTLY) DATE

**This proxy is solicited on behalf of the Corporation’s Board of Directors.** The Proposal has been unanimously approved by the Board of Directors and recommended for approval by stockholders. When properly executed, this proxy will be voted as indicated or “FOR” the proposal if no choice is indicated. The proxy will be voted in accordance with the proxy holders’ best judgment as to any other matters that may arise at the Annual Meeting.

**THE BOARD, INCLUDING EACH OF THE INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS, UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS THAT STOCKHOLDERS VOTE “FOR” THE ELECTION OF THE NOMINEES AS DIRECTORS.**

TO VOTE, MARK CIRCLES BELOW IN BLUE OR BLACK INK AS FOLLOWS. Example: ●

**PROPOSAL**

1. To elect each of Bryan A. Ward and Ethan Powell as a Class I director of the Corporation to serve for a three-year term expiring at the 2022 Annual Meeting of the Stockholders or until his successor is duly elected and qualifies; and

	FOR	WITHHOLD
1a. Bryan A. Ward	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1b. Ethan Powell	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

2. To transact such other business as may properly come before the Annual Meeting and any adjournment thereof.

**THANK YOU FOR VOTING**

## **EXHIBIT ZZZ**

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Filed Pursuant to Rule 497(c)

Registration Statement No. 333-219103

**PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT**

(To Prospectus dated July 1, 2019)

**\$135,000,000**  
**5,400,000 Shares**  
**5.375% Series A Cumulative Preferred Shares**  
**(Liquidation Preference \$25.00 per share)**

Highland Income Fund (the “Trust”) is offering 5,400,000 shares of 5.375% Series A Cumulative Preferred Shares, par value \$0.001 per share (the “Series A Preferred Shares”). Investors in Series A Preferred Shares will be entitled to receive, when, as and if declared by, or under authority granted by, the Fund’s Board of Trustees, out of funds legally available therefor, cumulative cash dividends and distributions at the rate of 5.375% per annum of the \$25.00 per share liquidation preference on the Series A Preferred Shares. Dividends and distributions on Series A Preferred Shares will be payable quarterly on March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31 in each year commencing on September 30, 2019. The Series A Preferred Shares will rank on parity with our any future preferred shares and senior to our common shares with respect to dividend and distribution rights and rights upon our liquidation.

The Series A Preferred Shares are redeemable at our option on or after September 30, 2024 and are subject to mandatory redemption by us in certain circumstances. See “Special Characteristics and Risks of the Series A Preferred Shares — Redemption.”

The Trust is a non-diversified, closed-end management investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “1940 Act”). The Trust’s investment objective is to provide a high level of current income, consistent with preservation of capital.

The Trust seeks to achieve its objective by primarily investing directly and indirectly (e.g., through derivatives that are the economic equivalent of direct investments) in the following categories of securities and instruments: (i) floating rate loans and other securities deemed to be floating rate investments; (ii) investments in securities or other instruments directly or indirectly secured by real estate, including real estate investment trusts (“REITs”), preferred equity, securities convertible into equity securities and mezzanine debt; and (iii) other instruments, including, but not limited to, secured and unsecured fixed-rate loans and corporate bonds, distressed securities, mezzanine securities, structured products (including but not limited to mortgage-backed securities, collateralized loan obligations and asset-backed securities), convertible and preferred securities, equities (public and private), and futures and options. Floating rate investments are debt obligations of companies or other entities, the interest rates of which float or vary periodically based upon a benchmark indicator of prevailing interest rates. Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P. (“HCMFA” or the “Adviser”) serves as investment adviser to the Trust.

Our common shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange (the “NYSE”) under the symbol “HFRO”. On July 26, 2019, the last reported sale price of our common shares was \$13.50. The net asset value of the Trust’s common shares at the close of business on July 26, 2019 was \$14.33 per share. As of the date hereof, the Trust has outstanding 71,872,584 common shares.

Application has been made to list the Series A Preferred Shares on the NYSE. If the application is approved, the Series A Preferred Shares are expected to commence trading on the NYSE under the symbol “HFRO Pr A” within thirty days of the date of issuance.

An investment in the Trust is not appropriate for all investors. We cannot assure you that the Trust’s investment objective will be achieved. You should read this prospectus supplement (the “Prospectus Supplement”) and the accompanying prospectus (the “Prospectus”) before deciding whether to invest in Series A Preferred Shares and retain them for future reference. The Prospectus Supplement and the accompanying Prospectus contain important information about us. Material that has been incorporated by reference and other information about us can be obtained from us by calling 1-877- 665-1287 or by writing to the Trust or from the Securities and Exchange Commission’s (“SEC”) website (<http://www.sec.gov>).



**Investing in Series A Preferred Shares involves certain risks that are described in the “Special Characteristics and Risks of the Series A Preferred Shares” section of this Prospectus Supplement and the “Principal Risks of the Trust” section beginning on page 39 of the accompanying Prospectus.**

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**NEITHER THE SEC NOR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION HAS APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED THESE SECURITIES OR DETERMINED IF THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT IS TRUTHFUL OR COMPLETE. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.**

	<u>Per Share</u>	<u>Total(2)</u>
Public offering price	\$ 25.00	\$135,000,000
Underwriting discounts and commissions	\$ 0.7875	\$ 4,252,500
Proceeds, before expenses, to the Trust (1)	\$ 24.2125	\$130,747,500

- (1) The aggregate expenses of the offering (excluding underwriting discounts and commissions) are estimated to be \$500,000.
- (2) We have granted the underwriters an option exercisable for a period of 30 days from the date of this prospectus supplement to purchase up to 810,000 additional shares of Series A Preferred Shares at the public offering price, less the underwriting discount, to cover over-allotments, if any. If the underwriters exercise the option in full, the total underwriting discounts and commissions will be \$4,890,375, and the total proceeds, before expenses, to us will be \$150,359,625.

The underwriters are expected to deliver the Series A Preferred Shares in book-entry form through the Depository Trust Company on or about August 1, 2019.

**Morgan Stanley  
Jefferies**

**The date of this Prospectus Supplement is July 29, 2019.**

**You should rely only on the information contained or incorporated by reference in this Prospectus Supplement and the accompanying Prospectus. Neither the Trust nor the underwriters have authorized anyone to provide you with different information. The Trust is not making an offer to sell these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted. You should not assume that the information contained in this Prospectus Supplement and the accompanying Prospectus is accurate as of any date other than the date of this Prospectus Supplement and the accompanying Prospectus, respectively. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since those dates. In this Prospectus Supplement and in the accompanying Prospectus, unless otherwise indicated, “Trust,” “us,” “our” and “we” refer to The Highland Income Fund, a Massachusetts business trust. This Prospectus Supplement and the accompanying Prospectus also include trademarks owned by other persons.**

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## CAUTIONARY NOTICE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Prospectus Supplement, the accompanying Base Prospectus and the Statement of Additional Information (the “SAI”) contain “forward-looking statements.” Forward-looking statements relate to future events or the Trust’s future financial performance. Forward-looking statements can generally be identified by terminology such as “may,” “will,” “should,” “expects,” “plans,” “anticipates,” “could,” “intends,” “target,” “projects,” “contemplates,” “believes,” “estimates,” “predicts,” “potential” or “continue” or the negative of these terms or other similar words. Important assumptions in forward-looking statements include the Trust’s ability to acquire or originate new investments and to achieve certain margins and levels of profitability. In light of these and other uncertainties, the inclusion of a projection or forward-looking statement should not be regarded as a representation by the Trust that its plans or objectives will be achieved.

There are a number of important risks and uncertainties that could cause the Trust’s actual results to differ materially from those indicated by such forward-looking statements. These risks include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Investment risk;
- Changes in interest rates;
- Risks associated with investing in high yield securities (also known as “junk securities”), senior loans and other debt and equity securities;
- Risks of investing in obligations of stressed, distressed and bankrupt issuers;
- Risk associated with investments in REITs;
- Risks associated with the Trust’s use of leverage;
- Derivatives and structured finance securities risk; and
- Market risk generally.

For a discussion of these and additional risks as well as other factors that could cause the Trust’s actual results to differ from forward-looking statements contained in this Prospectus Supplement, the Base Prospectus and the SAI, please see the discussion under “Principal Risks of the Trust.” You should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements made in this Prospectus Supplement, the Base Prospectus and the SAI relate only to events as of the date on which the statements are made. The Trust undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statement to reflect events or circumstances occurring after the date of this Prospectus Supplement, the Base Prospectus and the SAI, except as required by federal securities laws.

The forward-looking statements contained in this Prospectus Supplement, the Base Prospectus and the SAI excluded from the safe harbor protection provided by Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the forward looking statements contained in our periodic reports are excluded from the safe harbor protection provided by Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

[Table of Contents](#)**SUMMARY OF THE TERMS OF THE SERIES A PREFERRED SHARES**

*This Prospectus Supplement sets forth certain terms of the Series A Preferred Shares that we are offering pursuant to this Prospectus Supplement and the accompanying Prospectus that is attached to the back of this Prospectus Supplement. This section outlines certain specific legal and financial terms of the Series A Preferred Shares that are more generally described under the headings “Special Characteristics and Risks of the Series A Preferred Shares” and “Description of the Series A Preferred Shares” herein and in the accompanying Prospectus under the heading “Description of Capital Structure.” Capitalized terms used in this Prospectus Supplement and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the accompanying Prospectus or in the Statement of Preferences (as defined herein) governing and establishing the terms of the Series A Preferred Shares.*

**The Trust**

Highland Income Fund (formerly, Highland Floating Rate Opportunities Fund) is a closed-end, non-diversified management investment company organized as a Massachusetts business trust on June 28, 2017. Throughout this Prospectus Supplement, we refer to Highland Income Fund as the “Trust” or as “we.”

The Trust’s investment objective is to provide a high level of current income, consistent with preservation of capital. See the accompanying Prospectus under the heading “Investment Objective and Policies” for additional information. Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P. (the “Adviser”) serves as investment adviser to the Trust.

The Trust’s outstanding common shares, par value \$0.001 per share, are listed on the New York Stock Exchange (the “NYSE”) under the symbol “HFRO”. On July 26, 2019, the last reported sale price of our common shares was \$13.50. The net asset value of the Trust’s common shares at the close of business on July 26, 2019 was \$14.33 per share. As of the date hereof, the Trust has outstanding 71,872,584 common shares. As of June 30, 2019, the net assets of the Trust attributable to its common shares were \$1,037,528,378.

**Securities Offered**

5,400,000 shares of 5.375% Series A Cumulative Preferred Shares (the “Series A Preferred Shares”). Series A Preferred Shares shall constitute a separate series of preferred shares of the Trust.

**Dividend Rate**

Dividends and distributions on the Series A Preferred Shares are cumulative from their original issue date at the annual rate of 5.375% of the \$25.00 per share liquidation preference on the Series A Preferred Shares.

**Dividend Payment Date**

Holders of Series A Preferred Shares will be entitled to receive, when, as and if declared by, or under authority granted by, the Trust’s Board of Trustees (the “Board”), out of funds legally available therefor, cumulative cash dividends and distributions at the rate of 5.375% per annum of the \$25.00 per share liquidation preference on the Series A Preferred Shares. Dividends and distributions will be paid quarterly on March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31 in each year, commencing on September 30, 2019.

**Liquidation Preference**

\$25.00 per share.

**Use of Proceeds**

The Trust estimates the total net proceeds of the offering to be \$130,247,500, based on the public offering price of \$25.00 per share without exercise of the over-allotment option and after deduction of the underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us.

The Trust intends to use net proceeds from this offering to purchase portfolio securities in accordance with its investment objectives and policies and may pay down a portion of the existing borrowings from the Trust’s \$350 million credit facility. See “Use of Proceeds.”

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<b>Non-Call Period/Redemption</b>	<p>The Series A Preferred Shares generally may not be called for redemption at the option of the Trust prior to September 30, 2024. The Trust reserves the right, however, to redeem the Series A Preferred Shares at any time if it is necessary, in the judgment of the Board, to maintain its status as a regulated investment company (a “RIC”) under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”). The Trust may also be required under certain circumstances to redeem Series A Preferred Shares before or after September 30, 2024, in order to meet certain regulatory or rating agency asset coverage requirements.</p> <p>Commencing September 30, 2024, and thereafter, to the extent permitted by the 1940 Act and Massachusetts law, the Trust may at any time, upon notice of redemption, redeem the Series A Preferred Shares in whole or in part at the liquidation preference per share plus accumulated unpaid dividends through the date of redemption.</p>
<b>Stock Exchange Listing</b>	<p>Application has been made to list the Series A Preferred Shares on the NYSE. Prior to this offering, there has been no public market for Series A Preferred Shares. If the application is approved, it is anticipated that trading on the NYSE will begin within thirty days from the date of this Prospectus Supplement under the symbol “HFRO Pr A.” Before the Series A Preferred Shares are listed on the NYSE, the underwriters may, but are not obligated to, make a market in Series A Preferred Shares. Consequently, it is anticipated that, prior to the commencement of trading on the NYSE, an investment in Series A Preferred Shares will be illiquid.</p>
<b>Taxation</b>	<p>See “Tax Matters” in the accompanying Prospectus and SAI for a discussion of U.S. federal income tax considerations affecting the Trust and holders of Series A Preferred Shares.</p> <p>The Trust will inform shareholders of the source and tax status of all distributions promptly after the close of each calendar year. The Internal Revenue Service has taken the position that if a RIC, such as the Trust, has more than one class of shares, it may designate distributions made to each class in any year as consisting of no more than that class’s proportionate share of particular types of income for that year, including ordinary income and net capital gain. A class’s proportionate share of a particular type of income for a year is determined according to the percentage of total dividends paid by the RIC during that year to the class. Accordingly, if the Trust pays any capital gain dividends for any year, the Trust intends to designate a portion of its dividends paid to holders of Series A Preferred Shares as capital gain dividends in accordance with the Internal Revenue Service position.</p>
<b>ERISA</b>	See “Certain Employee Benefit Plan and IRA Considerations.”
<b>Dividend Disbursing Agent</b>	American Stock Transfer and Trust Company LLC (“AST”)

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The following is a brief description of the terms of the Series A Preferred Shares. This is not a complete description and is subject to and entirely qualified by reference to the Trust's Statement of Preferences for the Series A Preferred Shares (the "Statement of Preferences"). The Statement of Preferences will be attached as an exhibit to post-effective amendment number 1 to the Trust's registration statement. Copies may be obtained as described under "Additional Information" in the accompanying Prospectus. Any capitalized terms in this section and the "Special Characteristics and Risks of the Series A Preferred Shares" section of this Prospectus Supplement that are not defined have the meaning assigned to them in the Statement of Preferences.

The Trust's Agreement and Declaration of Trust (the "Declaration of Trust"), as amended from time to time, provides that the Board may authorize and issue classes of shares with rights and preferences as determined by the Board, by action of the Board without the approval of the holders of the common shares. Currently, an unlimited number of the Trust's shares are available for classification by the Board as preferred shares, par value \$0.001 per share. The Statement of Preferences authorizes the issuance of up to 6,210,000 Series A Preferred Shares. All Series A Preferred Shares will have a liquidation preference of \$25.00 per share plus accumulated and unpaid dividends. Holders of Series A Preferred Shares shall be entitled to receive, when, as and if declared by, or under authority granted by the Board, out of funds legally available therefor, cumulative cash dividends and distributions at the rate of 5.375% per annum (computed on the basis of a 360 day year consisting of twelve 30 day months) of the \$25.00 per share liquidation preference on the Series A Preferred Shares. Dividends and distributions on Series A Preferred Shares will accumulate from the date of their original issue, which is expected to be August 1, 2019.

The Series A Preferred Shares, when issued by the Trust and paid for pursuant to the terms of this Prospectus Supplement and the accompanying Prospectus, will be fully paid and non-assessable and will have no preemptive, exchange or conversion rights. Any Series A Preferred Shares purchased or redeemed by the Trust will, after such purchase or redemption, have the status of authorized but unissued preferred shares. The Board may by resolution classify or reclassify any authorized and unissued Series A Preferred Shares from time to time by setting or changing the preferences, conversion or other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends and distributions, qualifications or terms or conditions of redemption of such shares. So long as any Series A Preferred Shares are outstanding, the Trust may not, without the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the Trust's preferred shares outstanding at the time and present and voting on such matter, voting separately as one class, amend, alter or repeal the provisions of the Statement of Preferences so as to in the aggregate adversely affect the rights and preferences of any preferred shares of the Trust. To the extent permitted under the 1940 Act, in the event that more than one series of the Trust's preferred shares are outstanding, the Trust will not effect any of the actions set forth in the preceding sentence which in the aggregate adversely affects the rights and preferences for a series of preferred shares differently than such rights and preferences for any other series of preferred shares without the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the Trust's preferred shares outstanding and present and voting on such matter of each series adversely affected (each such adversely affected series voting separately as a class to the extent its rights are affected differently).

The holders of the Series A Preferred Shares are not entitled to vote on any matter that affects the rights or interests of only one or more other series of the Trust's preferred shares. The Trust will notify the relevant Rating Agency ten Business Days prior to any such vote described above. Unless a higher percentage is required under the Governing Documents (as defined in the Statement of Preferences) or applicable provisions of Massachusetts law or the 1940 Act, the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding preferred shares, including Series A Preferred Shares, voting together as a single class, will be required to approve any plan of reorganization adversely affecting the Trust's preferred shares or any action requiring a vote of security holders under Section 13(a) of the 1940 Act. The class vote of holders of the Trust's preferred shares described above will in each case be in addition to a separate vote of the requisite percentage of common shares and preferred shares, including Series A Preferred Shares, voting together as a single class, necessary to authorize the action in question. An increase in the number of authorized preferred shares pursuant to the Governing Documents or the issuance of additional shares of any series of preferred shares (including Series A Preferred Shares) pursuant to the Governing Documents shall not in and of itself be considered to adversely affect the rights and preferences of the Trust's preferred shares.

Any dividend payment made on the Series A Preferred Shares will first be credited against the dividends and distributions accumulated with respect to the earliest Dividend Period for which dividends and distributions have not been paid.

*The disclosure set forth in this Description of the Series A Preferred Shares and under the heading "Special Characteristics and Risks of the Series A Preferred Shares" is intended to be a summary of the material provisions of the Series A Preferred Shares. Since this Description of the Series A Preferred Shares is only a summary, you should refer to the Statement of Preferences for a complete description of the obligations of the Trust and your rights.*

*The disclosure set forth in this Description of the Series A Preferred Shares and under the heading "Special Characteristics and Risks of the Series A Preferred Shares" supplements the description of the preferred shares set forth under the caption*

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*“Description of Capital Structure – Preferred Shares” in the accompanying Prospectus, and in the event that any provision described in the disclosure set forth in this Description of the Series A Preferred Shares and under the heading “Special Characteristics and Risks of the Series A Preferred Shares” is inconsistent with any description contained in the accompanying Prospectus, the disclosure set forth in this Description of the Series A Preferred Shares and under the heading “Special Characteristics and Risks of the Series A Preferred Shares” will apply and supersede the description in the accompanying Prospectus.*

### USE OF PROCEEDS

The Trust estimates the total net proceeds of the offering to be \$130,247,500, based on the public offering price of \$25.00 per Series A Preferred Share without exercise of the over-allotment option and after deduction of the underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by the Trust. The Trust intends to use net proceeds from this offering to purchase portfolio securities in accordance with its investment objectives and policies and may pay down a portion of the existing borrowings from the Trust’s \$350 million credit facility, which currently bears interest at Libor + 1.35% with a maturity date of February 2, 2020.

### CAPITALIZATION

The following table sets forth (i) the audited capitalization of the Trust as of December 31, 2018 and (ii) the unaudited adjusted capitalization of the Trust assuming the issuance of the 5,400,000 Series A Preferred Shares offered in this Prospectus Supplement. The actual size of the offering (including with the overallotment option) may be greater or less than what is assumed in the table below.

	<u>Actual (audited)</u>	<u>As adjusted (unaudited)</u>
Preferred shares, \$0.001 par value per share, unlimited shares authorized	\$ —	135,000,000
(The “Actual” column reflects the Trust’s outstanding capitalization as of December 31, 2018. The “As adjusted (unaudited)” column assumes the issuance of 5,400,000 Series A Preferred Shares, \$25.00 liquidation preference per share, and the common shares outstanding at December 31, 2018.)		
Shareholders’ equity applicable to common shares:		
Common shares, \$0.001 par value per share; unlimited shares authorized	71,873	71,873
(The “Actual” and “As Adjusted (unaudited)” columns reflect the 71,872,584 shares outstanding as of December 31, 2018.)		
Paid-in surplus*	1,628,548,821	1,624,898,821
Total distributable loss	(602,209,176)	(602,209,176)
Net assets applicable to common shares	1,026,411,518	1,022,761,518
Liquidation preference of preferred shares	—	135,000,000
Net assets, plus the liquidation preference of preferred shares	1,026,411,518	1,157,761,518

\* As adjusted paid-in surplus reflects a deduction for the estimated underwriting discounts of \$3,150,000 and estimated offering expenses of \$500,000.

For financial reporting purposes, the Trust will deduct the liquidation preference of its outstanding preferred shares from “net assets,” so long as the senior securities have redemption features that are not solely within the control of the Trust. For all regulatory purposes, the Trust’s preferred shares will be treated as equity (rather than debt).

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**DESCRIPTION OF THE SECURITIES**

The following information regarding the Trust’s authorized shares is as of the date hereof.

<b>Title of Class</b>	<b>Amount Authorized</b>	<b>Amount Held by Trust or for its Account</b>	<b>Amount Outstanding Exclusive of Amount Held by Trust</b>
Common Shares	Unlimited	—	71,872,584
Series A Preferred Shares	6,210,000	—	0
Other Series of Preferred Shares	Unlimited	—	0

**ASSET COVERAGE RATIO**

Pursuant to the 1940 Act, the Trust generally will not be permitted to declare any dividend, or declare any other distribution, upon any outstanding common shares, purchase any common shares or issue preferred shares, unless, in every such case, all preferred shares issued by the Trust have at the time of declaration of any such dividend or distribution or at the time of any such purchase or issuance an asset coverage of at least 200% (“1940 Act Asset Coverage Requirement”) after deducting the amount of such dividend, distribution, or purchase price, as the case may be. As of the date of this Prospectus Supplement, all of the Trust’s outstanding preferred shares are expected to have asset coverage on the date of issuance of the Series A Preferred Shares of approximately 270%.

In addition to the 1940 Act Asset Coverage Requirement, the Trust is subject to certain restrictions on investments imposed by guidelines of one or more rating agencies that are expected to issue a rating for the Series A Preferred Shares. See “Special Characteristics and Risks of the Series A Preferred Shares — Risks — Credit Rating Risk” in this Prospectus Supplement.

[Table of Contents](#)**SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS AND RISKS OF THE SERIES A PREFERRED SHARES****Dividends**

Holders of Series A Preferred Shares shall be entitled to receive, when, as and if declared by, or under authority granted by the Board, out of funds legally available therefor, cumulative cash dividends and distributions at the rate of 5.375% per annum (computed on the basis of a 360 day year consisting of twelve 30 day months) of the \$25.00 per share liquidation preference on the Series A Preferred Shares. Dividends and distributions on Series A Preferred Shares will accumulate from the date of their original issue, which is expected to be August 1, 2019.

Dividends and distributions will be payable quarterly on March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31 in each year (each a "Dividend Payment Date") commencing on September 30, 2019 (or, if any such day is not a business day, then on the next succeeding business day) to holders of record of Series A Preferred Shares as they appear on the share register of the Trust at the close of business on the fifth preceding business day (each, a "Record Date"). Dividends and distributions on Series A Preferred Shares that were originally issued on the Date of Original Issue (i.e., the Series A Preferred Shares to be issued in this offering) shall accumulate from the Date of Original Issue. Dividends and distributions on all other Series A Preferred Shares (i.e., any additional Series A Preferred Shares that may be issued in future offerings) will accumulate from (i) the date on which such shares are originally issued if such date is a Dividend Payment Date, (ii) the immediately preceding Dividend Payment Date if the date on which such shares are originally issued is other than a Dividend Payment Date and is on or before a Record Date or (iii) the immediately following Dividend Payment Date if the date on which such shares are originally issued is during the period between a Record Date and a Dividend Payment Date. Each period beginning on and including a Dividend Payment Date (or the date of original issue, in the case of the first dividend period after the first issuance of the Series A Preferred Shares) and ending on but excluding the next succeeding Dividend Payment Date is referred to herein as a "Dividend Period." Dividends and distributions on account of arrears for any past Dividend Period or in connection with the redemption of Series A Preferred Shares may be declared and paid at any time, without reference to any Dividend Payment Date, to holders of record on such date as shall be fixed by the Board that is not more than 30 days before the Dividend Payment Date.

No full dividends or distributions will be declared or paid on Series A Preferred Shares for any Dividend Period or part thereof unless full cumulative dividends and distributions due through the most recent Dividend Payment Dates therefor on all outstanding shares of any series of preferred shares of the Trust ranking on a parity with the Series A Preferred Shares as to the payment of dividends and distributions have been or contemporaneously are declared and paid through the most recent Dividend Payment Dates therefor. If full cumulative dividends and distributions due have not been paid on all of the Trust's outstanding preferred shares, any dividends and distributions being paid on such preferred shares (including the Series A Preferred Shares) will be paid as nearly pro rata as possible in proportion to the respective amounts of dividends and distributions accumulated but unpaid on each such series of preferred shares on the relevant Dividend Payment Date.

**Restrictions on Issuance, Dividend, Redemption and Other Payments**

Under the 1940 Act, the Trust is not permitted to issue preferred shares (such as the Series A Preferred Shares) unless immediately after such issuance the Trust will have an asset coverage of at least 200% (or such other percentage as may in the future be specified in or under the 1940 Act as the minimum asset coverage for senior securities representing stock of a closed-end investment company as a condition of declaring distributions, purchases or redemptions of its stock). In general, the term "asset coverage" for this purpose means the ratio which the value of the total assets of the Trust, less all liabilities and indebtedness not represented by senior securities, bears to the aggregate amount of senior securities representing indebtedness of the Trust plus the aggregate of the involuntary liquidation preference of the preferred shares. The involuntary liquidation preference refers to the amount to which the preferred shares would be entitled on the involuntary liquidation of the Trust in preference to a security junior to them. The Trust also is not permitted to declare any cash dividend or other distribution on its common shares or purchase its common shares unless, at the time of such declaration or purchase, the Trust satisfies this 200% asset coverage requirement after deducting the amount of the dividend, distribution or purchase price, as applicable.

In addition, the Trust may be limited in its ability to declare any cash distribution on its shares (including the Series A Preferred Shares) or purchase its capital stock (including the Series A Preferred Shares) unless, at the time of such declaration or purchase, the Trust has an asset coverage on its indebtedness, if any, of at least 300% after deducting the amount of such distribution or purchase price, as applicable. The 1940 Act contains an exception, however, that permits dividends to be declared upon any preferred shares issued by the Trust (including the Series A Preferred Shares) if the Trust's indebtedness has an asset coverage of at least 200% at the time of declaration after deducting the amount of the dividend. In general, the term "asset coverage" for this purpose means the ratio which the value of the total assets of the Trust, less all liabilities and indebtedness not represented by senior securities, bears to the aggregate amount of senior securities representing indebtedness of the Trust.



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The term “senior security” does not include any promissory note or other evidence of indebtedness in any case where such a loan is for temporary purposes only and in an amount not exceeding 5% of the value of the total assets of the Trust at the time when the loan is made. A loan is presumed under the 1940 Act to be for temporary purposes if it is repaid within 60 days and is not extended or renewed; otherwise it is presumed not to be for temporary purposes. For purposes of determining whether the 200% and 300% asset coverage requirements described above apply in connection with dividends or distributions on or purchases or redemptions of Series A Preferred Shares, the asset coverages may be calculated on the basis of values calculated as of a time within 48 hours (not including Sundays or holidays) next preceding the time of the applicable determination.

So long as any preferred shares are outstanding, the Trust may not pay any dividend or distribution (other than a dividend or distribution paid in common shares or in options, warrants or rights to subscribe for or purchase common shares) in respect of the common shares (except by conversion into or exchange for shares of the Trust ranking junior to the preferred shares as to the payment of dividends or distributions and the distribution of assets upon liquidation), unless:

- the Trust has declared and paid (or provided to the relevant dividend paying agent) all cumulative distributions on the Trust’s outstanding preferred shares due on or prior to the date of such common shares dividend or distribution;
- the Trust has redeemed the full number of preferred shares to be redeemed pursuant to any mandatory redemption provision in the Trust’s Governing Documents; and
- after making the distribution, the Trust meets applicable asset coverage requirements under the 1940 Act with respect to its preferred shares.

No complete distribution due for a particular dividend period will be declared or made on any series of preferred shares for any dividend period, or part thereof, unless full cumulative distributions due through the most recent dividend payment dates therefore for all outstanding series of preferred shares of the Trust ranking on a parity with such series as to distributions have been or contemporaneously are declared and made. If full cumulative distributions due have not been made on all outstanding preferred shares of the Trust ranking on a parity with such series of preferred shares as to the payment of distributions, any distributions being paid on the preferred shares will be paid as nearly pro rata as possible in proportion to the respective amounts of distribution accumulated but unmade on each such series of preferred shares on the relevant dividend payment date. The Trust’s obligations to make distributions on the preferred shares will be subordinate to its obligations to pay interest and principal, when due, on any senior securities representing debt.

## **Voting Rights**

Except as otherwise provided in the Trust’s Governing Documents (including the Statement of Preferences) or a resolution of the Board, or as required by applicable law, holders of Series A Preferred Shares will have no power to vote on any matter except matters submitted to a vote of the Trust’s common shares. In any matter submitted to a vote of the holders of the common shares, each holder of Series A Preferred Shares will be entitled to one vote for each Series A Preferred Share held and the holders of the outstanding preferred shares of the Trust, including Series A Preferred Shares, and the common shares will vote together as a single class; provided, however, that the holders of the outstanding preferred shares of the Trust, including Series A Preferred Shares, shall be entitled, as a separate class, to the exclusion of the holders of all other securities and classes of capital shares of the Trust, to elect two of the Trust’s Trustees.

During any period in which any one or more of the conditions described below shall exist (such period being referred to herein as a “Voting Period”), the number and/or composition of Trustees constituting the Board will be automatically adjusted as necessary to permit the holders of outstanding preferred shares of the Trust, including the Series A Preferred Shares, voting separately as one class (to the exclusion of the holders of all other securities and classes of capital shares of the Trust) to elect the number of Trustees that, when added to the two Trustees elected exclusively by the holders of the Trust’s preferred shares as described in the above paragraph, would constitute a simple majority of the Board as so adjusted. The Trust and the Board will take all necessary actions, including effecting the removal of Trustees or amendment of the Trust’s Declaration of Trust, to effect an adjustment of the number and/or composition of Trustees as described in the preceding sentence. A Voting Period shall commence:

(i) if at any time accumulated dividends and distributions (whether or not earned or declared, and whether or not funds are then legally available in an amount sufficient therefor) on the outstanding Series A Preferred Shares equal to at least two full years’ dividends and distributions shall be due and unpaid and sufficient cash or specified securities shall not have been deposited with AST and its successors or any other dividend disbursing agent appointed by the Trust for the payment of such accumulated dividends and distributions; or

(ii) if at any time holders of any other preferred shares of the Trust are entitled to elect a majority of the Trustees of the Trust under the 1940 Act or statement of preferences creating such shares.

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Additional voting rights are described in “Description of the Series A Preferred Shares.”

### Rating Agency Guidelines

The Trust anticipates that Moody’s Investors Service, Inc. (“Moody’s”) will initially rate the Series A Preferred Shares. The Trust is, and expects that it will be, required under the applicable rating agency guidelines to maintain assets having in the aggregate a discounted value at least equal to the Basic Maintenance Amount (as defined in the Statement of Preferences), for its outstanding preferred shares, including the Series A Preferred Shares. To the extent any particular portfolio holding does not satisfy the applicable rating agency’s guidelines, all or a portion of such holding’s value will not be included in the calculation of discounted value (as defined by such rating agency). The Moody’s guidelines also impose certain diversification requirements and industry concentration limitations on the Trust’s overall portfolio, and apply specified discounts to securities held by the Trust (except certain money market securities).

If the value of the Trust’s assets, as discounted in accordance with the rating agency guidelines, is less than the Basic Maintenance Amount, the Trust is required to use its commercially reasonable efforts to cure such failure. If the Trust does not cure in a timely manner a failure to maintain a discounted value of its portfolio equal to the Basic Maintenance Amount in accordance with the requirements of the applicable rating agency or agencies then rating the Trust’s preferred shares, including the Series A Preferred Shares, at the request of the Trust, the Trust will be required to mandatorily redeem a portion its preferred shares, including the Series A Preferred Shares, sufficient to cure such failure as described below under “—Redemption.”

Any rating agency providing a rating for the Trust’s preferred shares, including the Series A Preferred Shares, at the request of the Trust may, at any time, change or withdraw any such rating. The Board, without further action by the Trust’s shareholders, may amend, alter, add to or repeal any provision of the statements of preferences for the preferred shares, including the Statement of Preferences for the Series A Preferred Shares, that has been adopted by the Trust pursuant to the rating agency guidelines or add covenants and other obligations of the Trust to the statements of preferences, if the applicable rating agency confirms that such amendments or modifications are necessary to prevent a reduction in, or the withdrawal of, a rating of the Trust’s preferred shares, including the Series A Preferred Shares, and such amendments and modifications do not adversely affect the rights and preferences of and are in the aggregate in the best interests of the holders of the Trust’s preferred shares.

As described by Moody’s or any other rating agency then rating a series of the Trust’s preferred shares at the Trust’s request, the ratings assigned to each series of preferred shares, including the Series A Preferred Shares, are assessments of the capacity and willingness of the Trust to pay the obligations of each such series. The ratings on these series of preferred shares are not recommendations to purchase, hold or sell shares of any series, inasmuch as the ratings do not comment as to market price or suitability for a particular investor. The rating agency guidelines also do not address the likelihood that an owner of preferred shares will be able to sell such shares on an exchange, in an auction or otherwise. The ratings are based on current information furnished to Moody’s or any other rating agency then rating a series of the Trust’s preferred shares at the Trust’s request by the Trust and the Adviser and information obtained from other sources. The ratings may be changed, suspended or withdrawn as a result of changes in, or the unavailability of, such information.

A rating agency’s guidelines apply to each series of preferred shares, including the Series A Preferred Shares, only so long as such rating agency is rating such series at the request of the Trust. The Trust expects to pay fees to Moody’s for rating the Series A Preferred Shares.

### Redemption

*Mandatory Redemption.* Under certain circumstances, the Series A Preferred Shares will be subject to mandatory redemption by the Trust out of funds legally available therefor in accordance with the Statement of Preferences and applicable law.

If the Trust fails to have asset coverage, as determined in accordance with Section 18(h) of the 1940 Act, of at least 200% with respect to all outstanding senior securities of the Trust which are stock, including all outstanding Series A Preferred Shares (or such other asset coverage as may in the future be specified in or under the 1940 Act as the minimum asset coverage for senior securities which are stock of a closed-end investment company as a condition of declaring dividends on its common stock), as of the last Business Day of March, June, September and December of each year in which any Series A Preferred Shares are outstanding, and such failure is not cured as of the cure date specified in the Statement of Preferences (49 days following such Business Day), (i) the Trust shall give a notice of redemption with respect to the redemption of a sufficient number of its preferred shares, which at the Trust’s determination (to the extent permitted by the 1940 Act and Massachusetts law) may include any proportion of Series A Preferred Shares, to enable it to meet such asset coverage requirements, and, at the Trust’s discretion, such additional number of Series A Preferred Shares or any other series of preferred shares in order for the Trust to have asset coverage with respect to the Series A Preferred Shares

and any other series of preferred shares of the Trust remaining outstanding after such redemption of as great as 220%, and (ii) deposit an amount with AST and its successors or any other dividend-disbursing agent appointed by the Trust, having an initial combined value sufficient to effect the redemption of the Series A Preferred Shares or other series of preferred shares to be redeemed.

If the Trust is required to redeem any preferred shares (including Series A Preferred Shares) as a result of a failure to maintain such minimum 1940 Act asset coverage as of an applicable cure date, then the Trust shall, to the extent permitted by the 1940 Act and Massachusetts law, by the close of business on such cure date fix a redemption date that is on or before the 30th Business Day after such cure date and proceed to redeem the preferred shares, including the Series A Preferred Shares. On such redemption date, the Trust shall redeem, out of funds legally available therefor, (i) the number of its preferred shares, which, to the

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extent permitted by the 1940 Act and Massachusetts law, at the option of the Trust may include any proportion of Series A Preferred Shares or shares of any other series of preferred shares of the Trust, is equal to the minimum number of shares the redemption of which, if such redemption had occurred immediately prior to the opening of business on such cure date, would have resulted in the Trust having asset coverage immediately prior to the opening of business on such cure date in compliance with the 1940 Act or (ii) if asset coverage cannot be so restored, all of the outstanding Series A Preferred Shares, in each case at a price equal to \$25.00 per share plus accumulated but unpaid dividends and distributions (whether or not earned or declared by the Trust) through and including the date of redemption. In addition, as reflected above, the Trust may, but is not required to, redeem an additional number of preferred shares (including Series A Preferred Shares) which, when aggregated with all other preferred shares redeemed by the Trust, permits the Trust to have with respect to the preferred shares (including Series A Preferred Shares) remaining outstanding after such redemption a 1940 Act asset coverage of as great as 220%.

Similarly, as reflected above under “—Rating Agency Guidelines,” so long as Moody’s or another rating agency is rating the Trust’s preferred shares (including the Series A Preferred Shares) at the request of the Trust, the Trust will be required to maintain, on the last Business Day of each month, assets having in the aggregate a discounted value at least equal to the Basic Maintenance Amount. So long as Moody’s or another rating agency is rating the Trust’s preferred shares (including the Series A Preferred Shares) at the request of the Trust, if the Trust fails to have assets having in the aggregate a discounted value at least equal to the Basic Maintenance Amount as of the last Business Day of any month, and such failure is not cured as of the cure date specified in the Statement of Preferences (10 Business Days following such Business Day), the Trust shall similarly follow the redemption protocol summarized above to restore compliance with the Basic Maintenance Amount, and the Trust may, but is not required to, redeem an additional number of preferred shares (including Series A Preferred Shares) which, when aggregated with all other preferred shares redeemed by the Trust, permits the Trust to have with respect to the preferred shares (including Series A Preferred Shares) remaining outstanding after such redemption assets having in the aggregate a discounted value equal to as great as 110% of the Basic Maintenance Amount.

*Optional Redemption.* Prior to September 30, 2024, the Series A Preferred Shares are not subject to optional redemption by the Trust unless the redemption is necessary, in the judgment of the Board, to maintain the Trust’s status as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code. Commencing September 30, 2024, and thereafter, to the extent permitted by the 1940 Act and Massachusetts law, the Trust may at any time upon notice in the manner provided in the Statement of Preferences redeem the Series A Preferred Shares in whole or in part at a price equal to the liquidation preference per share plus accumulated but unpaid dividends and distributions through and including the date of redemption.

*Redemption Procedures.* If the Trust determines or is required to redeem preferred shares, it will mail a notice of redemption to holders of the shares to be redeemed. Each notice of redemption will state (i) the redemption date, (ii) the number or percentage of preferred shares to be redeemed (which may be expressed as a percentage of such shares outstanding), (iii) the CUSIP number(s) of such shares, (iv) the redemption price (specifying the amount of accumulated distributions to be included therein), (v) the place or places where such shares are to be redeemed, (vi) that dividends or distributions on the shares to be redeemed will cease to accumulate on such redemption date, (vii) the provision of the Statement of Preferences under which the redemption is being made, and (viii) in the case of an optional redemption, any conditions precedent to such redemption. No defect in the notice of redemption or in the mailing thereof will affect the validity of the redemption proceedings, except as required by applicable law.

The redemption date with respect to the preferred shares will not be fewer than 30 days nor more than 90 days (subject to NYSE requirements) after the date of the applicable notice of redemption. The holders of preferred shares will not have the right to redeem any of their shares at their option except to the extent specified in the Statement of Preferences. The holders of preferred shares may receive shorter notice in the event of a mandatory redemption.

## **Liquidation**

In the event of any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the affairs of the Trust, whether voluntary or involuntary, the holders of Series A Preferred Shares shall be entitled to receive out of the assets of the Trust available for distribution to shareholders, after satisfying claims of creditors but before any distribution or payment shall be made in respect of the Trust’s common shares or any other shares of the Trust ranking junior to the Series A Preferred Shares as to liquidation payments, a liquidation distribution in the amount of \$25.00 per share (the “Liquidation Preference”), plus an amount equal to all unpaid dividends and distributions accumulated to and including the date fixed for such distribution or payment (whether or not earned or declared by the Trust, but excluding interest thereon), and such holders shall be entitled to no further participation in any distribution or payment in connection with any such liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Trust.

If, upon any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the affairs of the Trust, whether voluntary or involuntary, the assets of the Trust available for distribution among the holders of all outstanding Series A Preferred Shares and all outstanding shares of any other series of the Trust's preferred shares ranking on a parity with the Series A Preferred Shares as to payment upon liquidation shall be insufficient to permit the payment in full to such holders of Series A Preferred Shares of the Liquidation Preference plus accumulated and unpaid dividends and distributions and the amounts due upon liquidation with respect to all outstanding shares of such other series of preferred shares of the Trust, then such available assets shall be distributed among the holders of Series A Preferred Shares and such other series of preferred shares of the Trust ratably in proportion to the respective preferential liquidation amounts to which they are entitled. Unless and until the Liquidation Preference plus accumulated and unpaid dividends and distributions has been paid in full to the holders of Series A Preferred Shares, no dividends or distributions will be made to holders of the Trust's common shares or any other shares of the Trust ranking junior to the Series A Preferred Shares as to liquidation.

#### **Stock Exchange Listing**

Application has been made to list the Series A Preferred Shares on the NYSE. If the application is approved, the Series A Preferred Shares are expected to commence trading on the NYSE within thirty days of the date of issuance under the symbol "HFRO Pr A."

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### **Risks**

Risk is inherent in all investing. Therefore, before investing in the Series A Preferred Shares you should consider the risks carefully. See “Principal Risks of the Trust” in the accompanying Prospectus as well as the risks below.

***Material Weakness Risk.*** The Trust has identified a material weakness in its internal control over financial reporting related to the fair valuation of the Trust’s portfolio securities that, if not properly remediated, could result in material misstatements in its reported net asset value and financial statements. While there were no material misstatements of the Trust’s annual or interim financial reporting for the period ended December 31, 2018 related to fair valuation of the Trust’s portfolio securities, the principal executive officer and principal financial officer identified a material weakness relating to the Trust’s internal control over financial reporting under standards established by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, or PCAOB, for the period then ended. The PCAOB defines a material weakness as a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over financial reporting such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the company’s annual or interim financial statements will not be prevented or detected on a timely basis. A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis.

The Trust has taken actions to remediate this material weakness, but some of these measures will take time to be confirmed to be effective. There can be no assurance that the steps taken will remediate such weaknesses, nor can we be certain of whether additional actions will be required or the costs of any such actions. Until measures are tested and confirmed to be effective, the identified material weakness may continue to exist.

The Trust may need to take additional measures to fully mitigate these issues, and the measures taken to improve its internal controls may not be sufficient to address the issues identified, to ensure that internal controls are effective or to ensure that the identified material weaknesses or significant deficiencies or other material weaknesses or deficiencies will not result in a material misstatement of the Trust’s annual or interim financial statements. Because such material weakness related to our valuation of portfolio securities, it could also impact the accuracy of our daily net asset value calculations. In addition, other material weaknesses or deficiencies may be identified in the future. If the Trust is unable to correct material weaknesses or deficiencies in internal controls in a timely manner, its ability to record, process, summarize and report its net asset value and financial information accurately and within the time periods specified in the rules and forms of the SEC will be adversely affected. This failure could negatively affect the market price and trading liquidity of its securities, cause investors to lose confidence in our reported financial information, subject us to civil and criminal investigations and penalties, and generally materially and adversely impact its business and financial condition.

Primary risks associated with an investment in the Series A Preferred Shares include:

***Market Price Risk.*** The market price for the Series A Preferred Shares will be influenced by changes in interest rates, the perceived credit quality of the Series A Preferred Shares and other factors, and may be higher or lower than the liquidation preference of the Series A Preferred Shares. There is currently no market for the Series A Preferred Shares of the Trust.

***Liquidity Risk.*** Currently, there is no public market for the Series A Preferred Shares of the Trust. As noted above, an application has been made to list the Series A Preferred Shares on the NYSE. However, during an initial period which is not expected to exceed thirty days after the date of its issuance, the Series A Preferred Shares will not be listed on any securities exchange. Before the Series A Preferred Shares are listed on the NYSE, the underwriters may, but are not obligated to, make a market in the Series A Preferred Shares. No assurances can be provided that listing on any securities exchange or market making by the underwriters will occur or will result in the market for Series A Preferred Shares being liquid at any time.

***Redemption Risk.*** The Trust may at any time redeem Series A Preferred Shares to the extent necessary to meet regulatory asset coverage requirements or requirements imposed by credit rating agencies. For example, if the value of the Trust’s investment portfolio declines, thereby reducing the asset coverage for the Series A Preferred Shares, the Trust may be obligated under the terms of the Series A Preferred Shares to redeem some or all of the Series A Preferred Shares. In addition, commencing September 30, 2024, the Trust will be able to call the Series A Preferred Shares at the option of the Trust. Investors may not be able to reinvest the proceeds of any redemption in an investment providing the same or a higher dividend rate than that of the Series A Preferred Shares. Precipitous declines in the value of the Trust’s assets could result in the Trust having insufficient assets to redeem all of the Series A Preferred Shares for the full redemption price.

***Subordination Risk.*** The Series A Preferred Shares are not a debt obligation of the Trust. The Series A Preferred Shares are junior in respect of distributions and liquidation preference to the current and future indebtedness incurred by the Trust, and will have the same priority with respect to payment of dividends and distributions and liquidation preference as any other preferred shares that

the Trust may issue. The Series A Preferred Shares are subject to greater credit risk than any of the Trust's debt instruments, which would be of higher priority in the Trust's capital structure.

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***Credit Rating Risk.*** The Trust is seeking a credit rating on the Series A Preferred Shares. Any credit rating that is issued on the Series A Preferred Shares could be reduced or withdrawn while an investor holds Series A Preferred Shares. A reduction or withdrawal of the credit rating would likely have an adverse effect on the market value of the Series A Preferred Shares. In addition, a credit rating does not eliminate or mitigate the risks of investing in the Series A Preferred Shares.

***Distribution Risk.*** The Trust may not earn sufficient income from its investments to make distributions on the Series A Preferred Shares, in which case the distributions on the Series A Preferred Shares would be considered a return of capital. See “Prospectus Summary—Distributions—Preferred Shares Distributions” in the Prospectus. Additionally, if the Trust were to issue notes, the Trust’s failure to meet certain asset coverage requirements with respect to such notes would prohibit the Trust from making distributions on the Series A Preferred Shares; any bank borrowings the Trust may enter into in the future could contain similarly restrictive terms.

The Trust currently leverages through borrowings made by HFRO Sub, LLC under the Financing Arrangement with Bank of America Merrill Lynch (“BAML”). As of June 30, 2019, HFRO Sub, LLC had drawn \$350 million under the Financing Arrangement and the Trust’s asset coverage ratio was 342%. On February 2, 2018, HFRO Sub, LLC a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Trust entered into Financing Arrangement with BAML. Pursuant to the terms of the Financing Arrangement, and subject to certain customary conditions, HFRO Sub, LLC may borrow on a revolving basis a maximum of \$500 million. In connection with the Financing Arrangement, HFRO Sub, LLC and the Trust have made representations and warranties regarding the loans and underlying collateral and are required to comply with various covenants, reporting requirements and other customary requirements. The Facility also limits the recourse of the lender to the assets of HFRO Sub, LLC and includes usual and customary events of default for senior secured revolving facilities of this nature.

***Interest Rate Risk.*** The Series A Preferred Shares pay dividends at a fixed rate. Prices of fixed income investments tend to vary inversely with changes in market yields. The market yields on securities comparable to the Series A Preferred Shares may increase, which would likely result in a decline in the value of the Series A Preferred Shares. Additionally, if interest rates rise, securities comparable to the Series A Preferred Shares may pay higher dividend rates and holders of the Series A Preferred Shares may not be able to sell the Series A Preferred Shares at their liquidation preference and reinvest the proceeds at market rates. The Trust may be subject to a greater risk of rising interest rates due to the current period of historically low interest rates. Recently, there have been some modest signs of inflationary price movements. There is a possibility that interest rates may rise, which would likely drive down the prices of income- or dividend-paying securities.

## **CERTAIN EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN AND IRA CONSIDERATIONS**

The following is a summary of certain considerations associated with the purchase of the Series A Preferred Shares by employee benefit plans that are subject to Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”), plans, individual retirement accounts (“IRAs”) and other arrangements that are subject to Section 4975 of the Code, and entities whose underlying assets are considered to include “plan assets” of any such plan, account or arrangement (each, a “Benefit Plan”).

ERISA and the Code impose certain duties on persons who are fiduciaries of a Benefit Plan and prohibit certain transactions involving the assets of a Benefit Plan and its fiduciaries or other interested parties. Under ERISA and the Code, any person who exercises any discretionary authority or control over the administration of such a Benefit Plan or the management or disposition of the assets of such a Benefit Plan, or who renders investment advice for a fee or other compensation to such a Benefit Plan, is generally considered to be a fiduciary of the Benefit Plan. Moreover, governmental plans (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA), certain church plans (as defined in Section 3(33) of ERISA), and foreign plans (as described in Section 4(b)(4) of ERISA) (each such governmental, church and foreign plan referred to as a “Non-ERISA Plan,” and together with Benefit Plans, referred to herein as “Plans”), are not subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, but may be subject to state, federal or other laws or regulations substantively similar to such portions of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (“Similar Law”).

Because the Trust is registered as an investment company under the 1940 Act, it is anticipated that the Trust’s assets should not be deemed “plan assets” of Benefit Plans investing in the Trust for purposes of the fiduciary responsibility and prohibited transaction rules of ERISA and the Code. For this reason, the Adviser should not be a fiduciary within the meaning of ERISA or the Code with respect to the assets of any Benefit Plan solely as a result of the Benefit Plan’s investment in the Trust.

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In considering an investment in the Series A Preferred Shares of a portion of the assets of any Plan, a fiduciary or other person considering the investment should determine whether the investment is in accordance with the documents and instruments governing the Plan and the applicable provisions of ERISA, Section 4975 of the Code and Similar Law including, without limitation, to the extent applicable, the prudence, diversification, delegation of control, conflicts of interest and prohibited transaction provisions of ERISA and the Code. The purchase of Series A Preferred Shares by a fiduciary for a Plan should be considered in light of such requirements.

In addition, Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code prohibit certain transactions involving the assets of a Benefit Plan and certain persons (referred to as “parties in interest” for purposes of ERISA and “disqualified persons” for purposes of the Code) having certain relationships to such Benefit Plans, unless a statutory or administrative exemption is applicable to the transaction. A party in interest or disqualified person who engages in a nonexempt prohibited transaction may be subject to excise taxes and such parties and fiduciaries causing a Benefit Plan to engage in such transactions may be subject to other penalties and liabilities under ERISA and/or the Code (or with respect to certain Benefit Plans, such as IRAs, a prohibited transaction may cause the Benefit Plan to lose its tax-exempt status). In this regard, the U.S. Department of Labor has issued certain prohibited transaction class exemptions (“PTCEs”) that may apply to the purchase of the Series A Preferred Shares. These class exemptions include, without limitation, PTCE 84-14 respecting transactions determined by independent qualified professional asset managers, PTCE 90-1 respecting insurance company pooled separate accounts, PTCE 91-38 respecting bank collective investment funds, PTCE 95-60 respecting life insurance company general accounts and PTCE 96-23 respecting transactions determined by in-house asset managers, PTCE 84-24 respecting purchases of shares in investment companies) and PTCE 75-1 respecting sales of securities. In addition, Section 408(b)(17) of ERISA and Section 4975(d)(20) of the Code each provides a limited exemption, commonly referred to as the “service provider exemption,” from the prohibited transaction provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code for certain transactions between a Benefit Plan and a person that is a party in interest and/or a disqualified person (other than a fiduciary or an affiliate that, directly or indirectly, has or exercises any discretionary authority or control or renders any investment advice with respect to the assets of any Benefit Plan involved in the transaction) solely by reason of providing services to the Benefit Plan or by relationship to a service provider, provided that the Benefit Plan neither receives nor pays more than adequate consideration. Each of the above-noted exemptions contains conditions and limitations on its application. Fiduciaries of Benefit Plans considering acquiring the Series A Preferred Shares in reliance on these exemptions or any other exemption should carefully review the exemption to assure it is applicable. There can be no assurance that all of the conditions of any such exemptions or any other exemption will be satisfied, or that any exemption will be applicable to all otherwise prohibited transactions which may otherwise occur in connection with a Benefit Plan’s investment in the Series A Preferred Shares.

By its acquisition of a Series A Preferred Share, each purchaser will be deemed to represent and warrant that either (i) the purchaser is not acquiring or holding such Series A Preferred Share or an interest therein with the assets of a Plan or (ii) neither the purchase nor the holding (nor disposition) of such Series A Preferred Share or an interest therein by such purchaser will result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or a similar violation under any applicable Similar Laws.

Further, if the purchaser is a Benefit Plan, such purchaser or subsequent transferee will be deemed to have represented and warranted that (1) none of the Trust, the Adviser, Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC or any of its respective affiliates (“Transaction Parties”) has acted as the Benefit Plan’s fiduciary (within the meaning of ERISA or the Code), or has been relied upon for any advice, with respect to the purchaser or transferee’s decision to acquire the Series A Preferred Shares, and none of the Transaction Parties shall at any time be relied upon as the Benefit Plan’s fiduciary with respect to any decision to acquire, continue to hold or transfer the Series A Preferred Shares. None of the Transaction Parties have or will undertake to provide impartial investment advice, or to give advice in a fiduciary capacity, in connection with the investment in the Series A Preferred Shares.

The sale of Series A Preferred Shares to a Plan is in no respect a recommendation by the Trust, the Adviser, Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC or any of its respective affiliates with respect to whether any Plan should acquire Series A Preferred Shares or that that such an investment meets all relevant legal requirements with respect to investments by Plans generally or any particular Plan or that such an investment is appropriate for Plans generally or any particular Plan. Each purchaser and holder of the Series A Preferred Shares has exclusive responsibility for ensuring that its purchase, holding and subsequent disposition of the Series A Preferred Shares does not violate the fiduciary or prohibited transaction rules of ERISA, the Code or any applicable Similar Laws.

The foregoing discussion is general in nature and is not intended to be all inclusive. The provisions of ERISA and the Code are subject to extensive and continuing administrative and judicial interpretation and review. Due to the complexity of these rules and the penalties that may be imposed upon persons involved in non-exempt prohibited transactions, it is particularly important that fiduciaries, or other persons considering purchasing the Series A Preferred Shares on behalf of, or with the assets of, any Plan, consult with their counsel regarding the potential applicability of ERISA, Section 4975 of the Code and Similar Law to such investment and whether an exemption would be applicable to the purchase and holding of the Series A Preferred Shares and whether the purchase and

holding of Series A Preferred Shares otherwise will be in compliance with the applicable provisions of ERISA, Section 4975 of the Code and Similar Law.

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Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC is acting as representative of each of the underwriters named below. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in an underwriting agreement among the Trust, the Adviser and the underwriters, the Trust has agreed to sell to the underwriters, and each of the underwriters has agreed, severally and not jointly, to purchase from the Trust, the number of Series A Preferred Shares set forth opposite its name below.

<b>Underwriter</b>	<b>Number of Series A Preferred Shares</b>
Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC	5,130,000
Jefferies LLC	270,000
Total	5,400,000

Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the underwriting agreement, the underwriters have agreed, severally and not jointly, to purchase all of the Series A Preferred Shares sold pursuant to the underwriting agreement if any of the Series A Preferred Shares are purchased. If an underwriter defaults, the underwriting agreement provides that the purchase commitments of the nondefaulting underwriters may be increased or the underwriting agreement may be terminated.

The Trust and the Adviser have each agreed to indemnify the underwriters and their controlling persons against certain liabilities in connection with this offering, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or to contribute to payments the underwriters may be required to make in respect of those liabilities.

The underwriters are offering the Series A Preferred Shares, subject to prior sale, when, as and if issued to and accepted by them, subject to approval of legal matters by their counsel, including the validity of the Series A Preferred Shares, and other conditions contained in the underwriting agreement, such as the receipt by the underwriters of officer's certificates and legal opinions. The underwriters reserve the right to withdraw, cancel or modify offers to the public and to reject orders in whole or in part.

We expect that delivery of the Series A Preferred Shares will be made against payment therefor on or about the third business day following the date of confirmation of orders with respect to the Series A Preferred Shares (this settlement cycle being referred to as "T+3"). Under Rule 15c6-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, trades in the secondary market generally are required to settle in two business days, unless the parties to any such trade expressly agree otherwise. Accordingly, purchasers who wish to trade prior to the delivery of the Series A Preferred Shares hereunder on the date hereof will be required, by virtue of the fact that the Series A Preferred Shares initially settle in T+3, to specify an alternative settlement arrangement at the time of any such trade to prevent a failed settlement. Purchasers of Series A Preferred Shares who wish to trade the Series A Preferred Shares prior to their date of delivery hereunder should consult their own advisors.

**Commissions and Discounts**

The representative has advised us that the underwriters propose initially to offer the Series A Preferred Shares to the public at the public offering price set forth on the cover page of this Prospectus Supplement and to certain dealers at such price less a concession not in excess of \$0.50 per share. Any underwriter may allow, and such dealers may reallow, a concession not in excess of \$0.45 per share to other underwriters or to certain dealers. After the initial offering, the public offering price, concession or any other term of the offering may be changed.

The expenses of the offering, not including the underwriting discount, are estimated at \$500,000 and are payable by the Trust.

**Over-allotment Option**

We have granted the underwriters an option to buy up to an aggregate of additional shares of Series A Preferred Shares. The underwriters may exercise this option solely for the purpose of covering over-allotments, if any, made in connection with this offering. The underwriters have 30 days from the date of this prospectus supplement to exercise this option. If the underwriters exercise this option, they will each purchase additional shares approximately in proportion to the amounts specified in the table above.

**No Sales of Similar Securities**



The Trust and the Adviser have agreed that the Trust will not, for a period of 90 days from the date of this Prospectus Supplement, without the prior written consent of Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC, directly or indirectly, issue, sell, offer to contract or grant any option to sell, pledge, transfer or otherwise dispose of, any of its preferred shares or securities exchangeable for or convertible into its preferred shares, except for the Series A Preferred Shares sold to the underwriters pursuant to the underwriting agreement.

#### **New York Stock Exchange**

Application has been made to list the Series A Preferred Shares on the NYSE. Prior to the offering, there has been no public market for the Series A Preferred Shares. If the application is approved, the Series A Preferred Shares are expected to commence

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trading on the NYSE within thirty days of the date of issuance under the symbol “HFRO Pr A.” Before the Series A Preferred Shares are listed on the NYSE, the underwriters may, but are not obligated to, make a market in the Series A Preferred Shares. Consequently, it is anticipated that, prior to the commencement of trading on the NYSE, an investment in Series A Preferred Shares will be illiquid.

If a secondary trading market develops prior to the commencement of trading on the NYSE, holders of the Series A Preferred Shares may be able to sell such shares; however, such shares may trade at discounts from the liquidation preference of the Series A Preferred Shares.

### **Price Stabilization, Short Positions**

Until the distribution of the Series A Preferred Shares is completed, SEC rules may limit underwriters and selling group members from bidding for and purchasing the Series A Preferred Shares. However, the representative may engage in transactions that have the effect of stabilizing the price of the Series A Preferred Shares, such as purchases and other activities that peg, fix or maintain that price.

In connection with the offering, the underwriters may purchase and sell Series A Preferred Shares in the open market. These transactions may include short sales and purchases on the open market to cover positions created by short sales. Short sales involve the sale by the underwriters of a greater number of Series A Preferred Shares than they are required to purchase in the offering. The underwriters must close out any short position by purchasing Series A Preferred Shares in the open market. A short position is more likely to be created if the underwriters are concerned that there may be downward pressure on the price of the Series A Preferred Shares in the open market after pricing that could adversely affect investors who purchase in the offering.

The underwriters may impose a penalty bid. Penalty bids permit the underwriters to reclaim a selling concession from a syndicate member when the representative repurchases Series A Preferred Shares originally sold by that syndicate member in order to cover syndicate short positions or make stabilizing purchases.

Short sales may be “covered short sales,” which are short positions in an amount not greater than the underwriters’ over-allotment option referred to above, or may be “naked short sales,” which are short positions in excess of that amount.

The underwriters may close out any covered short position by either exercising their over-allotment option, in whole or in part, or by purchasing shares in the open market. In making this determination, the underwriters will consider, among other things, the price of shares available for purchase in the open market as compared to the price at which they may purchase shares through the over-allotment option.

Similar to other purchase transactions, the underwriters’ purchases to cover the syndicate short sales may have the effect of raising or maintaining the market price of the Series A Preferred Shares or preventing or retarding a decline in the market price of the Series A Preferred Shares. As a result, the price of the Series A Preferred Shares may be higher than the price that might otherwise exist in the open market.

None of the Trust, the Adviser or any of the underwriters makes any representation or prediction as to the direction or magnitude of any effect that the transactions described above may have on the price of the Series A Preferred Shares. In addition, none of the Trust, the Adviser or any of the underwriters makes any representation that the representative will engage in these transactions or that these transactions, once commenced, will not be discontinued without notice.

### **Electronic Distribution**

In connection with this offering, certain of the underwriters or securities dealers may distribute prospectuses by electronic means, such as e-mail.

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Some of the underwriters and their affiliates have engaged in, and may in the future engage in, investment banking and other commercial dealings in the ordinary course of business with the Trust, the Adviser or their respective affiliates. They have received, or may in the future receive, customary fees and commissions for these transactions.

In addition, in the ordinary course of their business activities, the underwriters and their affiliates may make or hold a broad array of investments and actively trade debt and equity securities (or related derivative securities) and financial instruments (including bank loans) for their own account and for the accounts of their customers. Such investments and securities activities may involve securities and/or instruments of the Trust, the Adviser or their respective affiliates. The underwriters and their affiliates may also make investment recommendations and/or publish or express independent research views in respect of such securities or financial instruments and may hold, or recommend to clients that they acquire, long and/or short positions in such securities and instruments.

The Trust anticipates that, from time to time, certain underwriters may act as brokers or dealers in connection with the execution of the Trust's portfolio transactions after they have ceased to be underwriters and, subject to certain restrictions, may act as brokers while they are underwriters.

The principal business address of Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC is 1585 Broadway, New York, NY 10036.

**LEGAL MATTERS**

Certain legal matters will be passed on by K&L Gates LLP, Boston, Massachusetts, our counsel in connection with the offering of the Series A Preferred Shares. Certain legal matters in connection with this offering will be passed upon for the underwriters by Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The audited financial statements included in the annual report to the Trust's shareholders for the fiscal period ended December 31, 2018, together with the report of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP for the Trust's annual report, are incorporated by reference into the SAI.

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Dated July 1, 2019

BASE PROSPECTUS

\$1,000,000,000

# Highland Income Fund (formerly, Highland Floating Rate Opportunities Fund)

Base Prospectus dated July 1, 2019

Common Shares

Preferred Shares

Subscription Rights to Purchase Common Shares

Subscription Rights to Purchase Preferred Shares

Subscription Rights to Purchase Common and Preferred Shares

The Highland Income Fund (the “Trust”), formerly, Highland Floating Rate Opportunities Fund, is a non-diversified, closed-end management investment company that was organized as a Massachusetts business trust on June 28, 2017 pursuant to a Declaration of Trust dated June 28, 2017. The Trust’s principal office is located at 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201 and its telephone number is 1-877- 665-1287. On September 25, 2017, the Trust acquired the assets of Highland Floating Rate Opportunities Fund (the “Predecessor Fund”), a series of Highland Funds I (the “Predecessor Trust”), a Delaware statutory trust. On May 20, 2019, the Trust’s name changed from “Highland Floating Rate Opportunities Fund” to “Highland Income Fund.” This Prospectus relates only to the Trust.

The Trust’s investment objective is to provide a high level of current income, consistent with preservation of capital. The Trust seeks to achieve its objective by primarily investing directly and indirectly (e.g., through derivatives that are the economic equivalent of direct investments) in the following categories of securities and instruments: (i) floating rate loans and other securities deemed to be floating rate investments; (ii) investments in securities or other instruments directly or indirectly secured by real estate, including real estate investment trusts (“REITs”), preferred equity, securities convertible into equity securities and mezzanine debt; and (iii) other instruments, including, but not limited to, secured and unsecured fixed-rate loans and corporate bonds, distressed securities, mezzanine securities, structured products (including but not limited to mortgage-backed securities, collateralized loan obligations and asset-backed securities), convertible and preferred securities, equities (public and private), and futures and options. Floating rate investments are debt obligations of companies or other entities, the interest rates of which float or vary periodically based upon a benchmark indicator of prevailing interest rates.

You should read this Prospectus and the related Prospectus Supplement, which contains important information about the Trust, before deciding whether to invest, and retain it for future reference. A Statement of Additional Information (“SAI”), dated July 1, 2019, containing additional information about the Trust has been filed with the Commission and is incorporated by reference in its entirety into this Prospectus. You can review the table of contents of the SAI in this Prospectus. You may request a free copy of the SAI, request the Trust’s most recent annual and semi-annual reports, request information about the Trust and make shareholder inquiries by calling 1-877- 665-1287 or by writing to the Trust at 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201. You may also obtain a copy of the SAI (and other information regarding the Trust) from the Commission’s Public Reference Room in Washington, D.C. by calling 1-202-551-8090. The Commission charges a fee for copies. The Trust’s most recent annual and semi-annual reports are available, free of charge from the Commission’s web site at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

**Investing in our securities involves a high degree of risk and may be considered speculative. Before investing in the Trust’s securities, you should read the discussion of the material risks of investing in the Trust, including the risks of leverage, in the “Principal Risks of the Trust” section of this Prospectus.**

**Neither the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined that this Prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.**

Beginning on January 1, 2021, as permitted by regulations adopted by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, paper copies of the Funds’ annual and semi-annual shareholder reports will no longer be sent by mail, unless you specifically request paper copies of the reports. Instead, the reports will be made available on the Funds’ website ([highlandfunds.com](http://highlandfunds.com)), and you will be notified by mail each time a report is posted and provided with a website link to access the report.

If you already elected to receive shareholder reports electronically, you will not be affected by this change and you need not take any action. You may elect to receive shareholder reports and other communications from a Fund electronically by contacting your financial intermediary (such as a broker-dealer or bank) or, if you are a direct investor, by contacting the Funds’ transfer agent at 1-877-665-1287.

Beginning on January 1, 2019, you may elect to receive all future reports in paper free of charge. If you invest through a financial intermediary, you can contact your financial intermediary to request that you continue to receive paper copies of your shareholder reports. If you invest directly

with a Fund, you can call 1-877-665-1287 to let the Fund know you wish to continue receiving paper copies of your shareholder reports. Your election to receive reports in paper will apply to all funds held in your account if you invest through your financial intermediary or all funds held with the fund complex if you invest directly with a Fund.

The Trust's securities do not represent a deposit or obligation of, and are not guaranteed or endorsed by, any bank or other insured depository institution, and are not federally insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Federal Reserve Board or any other government agency.

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You should rely only on the information contained or incorporated by reference in this Prospectus. The Trust has not authorized any other person to provide you with different information. If anyone provides you with different or inconsistent information, you should not rely on it. The Trust is not making an offer to sell these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted. The information in this Prospectus and any accompanying Prospectus Supplements is accurate only as of the date of this Prospectus or such Prospectus Supplement, as applicable, and under no circumstances should the delivery of this Prospectus or any accompanying Prospectus Supplement or the sale of any securities imply that the information in this Prospectus or such accompanying Prospectus Supplement is accurate as of any later date or that the affairs of the Trust have not changed since the date hereof or thereof. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since then. We will update the information in these documents to reflect material changes only as required by law.

[Table of Contents](#)**Cautionary Notice Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

This Prospectus and the Statement of Additional Information contain “forward-looking statements.” Forward-looking statements relate to future events or the Trust’s future financial performance. Forward-looking statements can generally be identified by terminology such as “may,” “will,” “should,” “expects,” “plans,” “anticipates,” “could,” “intends,” “target,” “projects,” “contemplates,” “believes,” “estimates,” “predicts,” “potential” or “continue” or the negative of these terms or other similar words. Important assumptions in forward-looking statements include the Trust’s ability to acquire or originate new investments and to achieve certain margins and levels of profitability. In light of these and other uncertainties, the inclusion of a projection or forward-looking statement should not be regarded as a representation by the Trust that its plans or objectives will be achieved.

There are a number of important risks and uncertainties that could cause the Trust’s actual results to differ materially from those indicated by such forward-looking statements. These risks include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Investment risk;
- Changes in interest rates;
- Risks associated with investing in high yield securities (also known as “junk securities”), senior loans and other debt and equity securities;
- Risks of investing in obligations of stressed, distressed and bankrupt issuers;
- Risk associated with investments in REITs;
- Risks associated with the Trust’s use of leverage;
- Derivatives and structured finance securities risk; and
- Market risk generally.

For a discussion of these and additional risks as well as other factors that could cause the Trust’s actual results to differ from forward-looking statements contained in this Prospectus and in the Statement of Additional Information, please see the discussion under “Principal Risks of the Trust.” You should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements made in this Prospectus and in the Statement of Additional Information relate only to events as of the date on which the statements are made. The Trust undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statement to reflect events or circumstances occurring after the date of this Prospectus and Statement of Additional Information, except as required by federal securities laws.

The forward-looking statements contained in this Prospectus are excluded from the safe harbor protection provided by Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the forward looking statements contained in our periodic reports are excluded from the safe harbor protection provided by Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

**About this Prospectus**

This Prospectus is part of a registration statement that we have filed with the Commission using the “shelf” registration process. Under the shelf registration process, we may offer, from time to time, in one or more offerings or series, up to \$1,000,000,000 of our common and/or preferred shares or subscription rights, on the terms to be determined at the time of the offering. The securities may be offered at prices and on terms described in one or more supplements to this Prospectus. Securities may be offered at prices and on terms to be set forth in one or more supplements to this Prospectus (this “Prospectus” and each supplement thereto, a “Prospectus

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Supplement”). This Prospectus provides you with a general description of the securities that we may offer. Each time we use this Prospectus to offer securities, we will provide a Prospectus Supplement that will contain specific information about the terms of that offering. The Prospectus Supplement may also add, update or change information contained in this Prospectus. Please carefully read this Prospectus and any Prospectus Supplement, together with any exhibits, and the additional information described under the headings “Principal Risks of the Trust” and “Where You Can Find Additional Information” before you make an investment decision.



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**Prospectus Summary**

*The following summary highlights information contained elsewhere in this Prospectus. This summary may not contain all of the information that you should consider before investing in the Trust. You should review the more detailed information contained in this Prospectus and in the Statement of Additional Information, especially the information set forth under the heading “Principal Risks of the Trust.”*

**The Trust**

The Trust is a non-diversified, closed-end management investment company. The Trust commenced operations on June 28, 2017, following its initial public offering. On September 25, 2017, the Trust acquired the assets of Highland Floating Rate Opportunities Fund, a series of Highland Funds I, a Delaware statutory trust. On May 20, 2019, the Trust’s name changed from “Highland Floating Rate Opportunities Fund” to “Highland Income Fund.”

The Trust’s outstanding common shares, par value \$0.001 per share, are listed on the New York Stock Exchange (the “NYSE”) under the symbol HFRO. On May 31, 2019, the last reported sale price of common shares was \$13.33. The net asset value of the Trust’s common shares at the close of business on such date was \$14.60 per share. As of May 31, 2019, the net assets of the Trust attributable to its common shares were \$1.05 billion. As of May 31, 2019, the Trust had outstanding 71,908,209 common shares.

**Offerings**

We may offer, from time to time, in one or more offerings, our common and/or fixed rate preferred shares, \$0.001 par value per share, our notes, or our subscription rights to purchase our common or fixed rate preferred shares or both, which we refer to collectively as the “securities.” The securities may be offered at prices and on terms to be set forth in one or more supplements to this Prospectus (each a “Prospectus Supplement”). The offering price per common share of the Trust will not be less than the net asset value per common share at the time we make the offering, exclusive of any underwriting commissions or discounts; however, rights offerings that meet certain conditions may be offered at a price below the then current net asset value per common share of the Trust. You should read this Prospectus and the applicable Prospectus Supplement carefully before you invest in our securities. Our securities may be offered directly to one or more purchasers, through agents designated from time to time by us, or through underwriters or dealers. The Prospectus Supplement relating to the offering will identify any agents, underwriters or dealers involved in the sale of our shares, and will set forth any applicable purchase price, fee, commission or discount arrangement between us and our agents or underwriters, or among our underwriters, or the basis upon which such amount may be calculated. The Prospectus Supplement relating to any sale of fixed rate preferred shares will set forth the liquidation preference and information about the dividend period, dividend rate, any call protection or non-call period and other matters. The Prospectus Supplement relating to any

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offering of subscription rights will set forth the number of common and/or fixed rate preferred shares issuable upon the exercise of each right and the other terms of such rights offering. While the aggregate number and amount of securities we may issue pursuant to this registration statement is limited to \$1,000,000,000 of securities, our Board of Trustees (the “Board” and each member of the Board individually a “Trustee”) may, without any action by the shareholders, amend our Agreement and Declaration of Trust from time to time to increase or decrease the aggregate number of shares or the number of shares of any class or series that we have authority to issue. We may not sell any of our securities through agents, underwriters or dealers without delivery of a Prospectus Supplement describing the method and terms of the particular offering.

Offerings of the securities will be subject to the provisions of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “1940 Act”), which generally require that the price at which a closed-end investment company sells its common shares (exclusive of distribution commissions and discounts) must equal or exceed the net asset value per share of a company’s common shares (calculated within 48 hours of pricing), except (i) in connection with a rights offering to our existing shareholders, (ii) with the consent of the majority of our common shareholders, or (iii) under such circumstances as the Commission may permit. Any offering of securities by a closed-end investment company that requires shareholder approval must occur, if at all, within one year after receiving such shareholder approval. You should read this Prospectus and the related Prospectus Supplement carefully before you decide to invest in any of the securities.

The Trust may offer the securities directly to one or more purchasers, through agents that the Trust or the purchasers designate from time to time, or to or through underwriters or dealers (including agents, underwriters or dealers affiliated with the Trust’s investment adviser). The Prospectus Supplement relating to the offering will identify any agents or underwriters involved in the sale of the securities, and will set forth any applicable purchase price, fee, commission or discount arrangement between the Trust and such agents or underwriters or among underwriters or the basis upon which such amount may be calculated. See “Plan of Distribution.” The securities may not be sold through agents, underwriters or dealers without delivery of a Prospectus Supplement describing the method and terms of the Offering. The Trust (and thus, indirectly, the Trust’s common shareholders) will bear all of the expenses of any such offering.

**Preferred Shares**

The terms of the preferred shares may be fixed by the Board and may materially limit and/or qualify the rights of holders of the Trust’s common shares. If the Trust’s Board determines that it may be advantageous to the holders of the Trust’s common shares for the Trust to utilize additional leverage, the Trust may issue additional

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series of fixed rate preferred shares. Any fixed rate preferred shares issued by the Trust will pay distributions at a fixed rate. Leverage creates a greater risk of loss as well as a potential for more gains for the common shares than if leverage were not used. The Trust may also determine in the future to issue other forms of senior securities, such as securities representing debt, subject to the limitations of the 1940 Act. The Trust may also engage in investment management techniques which will not be considered senior securities if the Trust establishes a segregated account with cash or other liquid assets or sets aside assets on the accounting records equal to the Trust's obligations in respect of such techniques. The Trust may also borrow money, to the extent permitted by the 1940 Act.

**Investment Adviser and Administrator**

Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P. ("HCMFA" or the "Adviser") serves as investment adviser to the Trust. The address of the Adviser is 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201. Organized in February 2009, HCMFA is registered as an investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended. As of March 31, 2019, HCMFA had approximately \$3.3 billion in assets under management. HCMFA is also the Trust's administrator. HCMFA is owned by Highland Capital Management Services, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("HCM Services") and its general partner, Strand Advisors XVI, Inc., of which James Dondero is the sole stockholder. HCM Services is controlled by Mr. Dondero and Mr. Mark Okada by virtue of their respective share ownership.

In return for its advisory services, the Trust pays the Adviser a monthly fee of 0.65%, computed and accrued daily, based on an annual rate of the Trust's average daily managed assets. "Average Daily Managed Assets" of the Trust shall mean the average daily value of the total assets of the Trust, less all accrued liabilities of the Trust (other than the aggregate amount of any outstanding borrowings constituting financial leverage).

In return for its administrative services, the Adviser receives an annual fee, payable monthly, in an amount equal to 0.20% of the average weekly value of the Trust's Managed Assets. "Managed Assets" means the total assets of the Trust, including assets attributable to any form of investment leverage, minus all accrued expenses incurred in the normal course of operations, but not excluding any liabilities or obligations attributable to investment leverage obtained through (i) indebtedness of any type (including, without limitation, borrowing through a credit facility or the issuance of debt securities), (ii) the issuance of preferred shares or other similar preference securities, (iii) the reinvestment of collateral received for securities loaned in accordance with the Trust's investment objectives and policies, and/or (iv) any other means. The Adviser, at its own expense, has the authority to engage both a sub-adviser and a sub-administrator, each of which may be an affiliate

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of the Adviser. See “Management of the Trust — Investment Adviser” and “Management of the Trust — Administrator/Sub-Administrator.”

*Potential Conflicts of Interest.* As a result of the Trust’s arrangements with Highland Capital Management, L.P. (“Highland”), there may be times when Highland, the Adviser or their affiliates have interests that differ from those of the Trust’s shareholders, giving rise to a conflict of interest. Highland and the Adviser are under common ownership, and the Trust’s officers serve or may serve as officers, directors or principals of entities that operate in the same or a related line of business as the Trust does, or of investment funds managed by the Adviser or its affiliates. Similarly, the Adviser or its affiliates may have other clients with similar, different or competing investment objectives. In serving in these multiple capacities, they may have obligations to other clients or investors in those entities, the fulfillment of which may not be in the best interests of the Trust or its shareholders. For example, the Trust’s officers have, and will continue to have, management responsibilities for other investment funds, accounts or other investment vehicles managed or sponsored by the Adviser and its affiliates.

The Trust’s investment objective may overlap, in part or in whole, with the investment objective of such affiliated investment funds, accounts or other investment vehicles. As a result, those individuals may face conflicts in the allocation of investment opportunities among the Trust and other investment funds or accounts advised by or affiliated with the Adviser. The Adviser will seek to allocate investment opportunities among eligible accounts in a manner that is fair and equitable over time and consistent with its allocation policy. However, the Trust can offer no assurance that such opportunities will be allocated to it fairly or equitably in the short-term or over time.

The Adviser will allocate investment opportunities across the entities for which such opportunities are appropriate, consistent with its internal conflict of interest and allocation policies. The Adviser will seek to allocate investment opportunities among such entities in a manner that is fair and equitable over time and consistent with its allocation policy. However, there is no assurance that such investment opportunities will be allocated to the Trust fairly or equitably in the short-term or over time and there can be no assurance that the Trust will be able to participate in all such investment opportunities that are suitable for it.

Currently, a portion of the Trust’s net assets are invested in REITs, asset-backed securities and/or collateralized loan obligations sponsored, organized and/or managed by Highland Capital Management, L.P. (“Highland”) and its affiliates. The Adviser will monitor for conflicts of interest in accordance with its fiduciary duties and will provide the independent trustees of the Trust with an opportunity to periodically review the Trust’s investments in such

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REITs, asset backed securities and/or CLOs and assure themselves that continued investment in such securities remains in the best interests of the Trust and its shareholders. Please see “Risk Factors—Potential Conflicts of Interest” for a description of risks associated with conflicts of interest. See “Management of the Trust — Investment Adviser.”

**Custodian and Transfer Agent**

The custodian of the assets of the Trust is Bank of New York Mellon (240 Greenwich Street, New York, New York 10286). The custodian performs custodial services for the Trust. American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC (6201 15th Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11219; telephone (718) 921-8200) serves as the Trust’s transfer agent with respect to its securities.

**Closed-End Structure**

Closed-end funds differ from open-end management investment companies (commonly referred to as mutual funds) in that closed-end funds generally list their shares for trading on a securities exchange and do not redeem their shares at the option of the shareholder. By comparison, mutual funds issue securities redeemable at net asset value at the option of the shareholder and typically engage in a continuous offering of their shares. Mutual funds are subject to continuous asset in-flows and out-flows that can complicate portfolio management, whereas closed-end funds generally can stay more fully invested in securities consistent with the closed-end fund’s investment objective and policies. In addition, in comparison to open-end funds, closed-end funds have greater flexibility in their ability to make certain types of investments, including investments in illiquid securities.

Shares of closed-end investment companies listed for trading on a securities exchange frequently trade at a discount from net asset value, but in some cases trade at a premium. The market price may be affected by net asset value, dividend or distribution levels (which are dependent, in part, on expenses), supply of and demand for the shares, stability of dividends or distributions, trading volume of the shares, general market and economic conditions and other factors beyond the control of the closed-end fund. The foregoing factors may result in the market price of shares of the Trust being greater than, less than or equal to, net asset value. The Board has reviewed the structure of the Trust in light of its investment objective and policies and has determined that the closed-end structure is appropriate. As described in this Prospectus, however, the Board may review periodically the trading range and activity of the Trust’s shares with respect to their net asset value and may take certain actions to seek to reduce or eliminate any such discount. Such actions may include open market repurchases or tender offers for the common shares at net asset value. There can be no assurance that the Board will decide to undertake any of these actions or that, if undertaken, such actions would result in the common shares trading at a price equal to or close to net asset value per Share.

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<b>Listing</b>	The Trust's outstanding common shares are listed on the NYSE under the symbol "HFRO" as will be the common shares offered in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, subject to notice of issuance. Since the Trust commenced trading on the NYSE, the Trust's common shares have traded at a discount to net asset value as high as 15.40% and a premium as high as 5.54%. Any additional series of fixed rate preferred shares or subscription rights issued in the future pursuant to a Prospectus Supplement by the Trust may be listed on the NYSE.
<b>Use of Proceeds</b>	Unless otherwise specified in a Prospectus Supplement, the Trust will use the net proceeds of the sale of securities to invest in accordance with the Trust's investment objectives and policies as stated below, or use such proceeds for other general corporate purposes. See "Use of Proceeds." The Trust may also use the net proceeds from the Offering to call, redeem or repurchase preferred shares.
<b>Investment Objectives and Strategies</b>	<p>The Trust's investment objective is to provide a high level of current income, consistent with preservation of capital. The Trust seeks to achieve its objective by investing directly and indirectly (e.g., through derivatives that are the economic equivalent of direct investments) in the following categories of securities and instruments: (i) floating rate loans and other securities deemed to be floating rate investments; (ii) investments in securities or other instruments directly or indirectly secured by real estate, including real estate investment trusts ("REITs"), preferred equity, securities convertible into equity securities and mezzanine debt; and (iii) other instruments, including, but not limited to, secured and unsecured fixed-rate loans and corporate bonds, distressed securities, mezzanine securities, structured products (including but not limited to mortgage-backed securities, collateralized loan obligations and asset-backed securities), convertible and preferred securities, equities (public and private), and futures and options.</p> <p>The Trust will invest at least 25% of its assets in investments in securities or other instruments directly or indirectly secured by real estate, including REITs, preferred equity, securities convertible into equity securities and mezzanine debt.</p> <p><i>Floating Rate Investments.</i> Floating rate investments are debt obligations of companies or other entities, the interest rates of which float or vary periodically based upon a benchmark indicator of prevailing interest rates. Floating rate investments may include, by way of example, floating rate debt securities, money market securities of all types, repurchase agreements with remaining maturities of no more than 60 days, collateralized loan obligations and asset backed securities. The reference in the Trust's investment objective to capital preservation does not indicate that the Trust may not lose money. HCMFA seeks to employ strategies that are consistent with capital preservation, but there can be no assurance that the Adviser will be</p>

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successful in doing so. In making floating rate investments for the Trust, the Trust's Adviser will seek to purchase instruments that it believes are undervalued or will provide attractive income, while attempting to minimize losses.

Floating rate loans in which the Trust invests are expected to be adjustable rate senior loans ("Senior Loans") to domestic or foreign corporations, partnerships and other entities that operate in a variety of industries and geographic regions ("Borrowers"). Senior Loans are business loans that have a right to payment senior to most other debts of the Borrower. Senior Loans generally are arranged through private negotiations between a Borrower and several financial institutions (the "Lenders") represented in each case by one or more such Lenders acting as agent (the "Agent") of the several Lenders. On behalf of the Lenders, the Agent is primarily responsible for negotiating the loan agreement ("Loan Agreement") that establishes the relative terms and conditions of the Senior Loan and rights of the Borrower and the Lenders.

The Trust may invest in securities of any credit quality. Senior Loans are typically below investment grade securities (also known as "high yield securities" or "junk securities"). Such securities are rated below investment grade by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization ("NRSRO") or are unrated but deemed by the Adviser to be of comparable quality. The Trust may invest without limitation in below investment grade or unrated securities, including in insolvent borrowers or borrowers in default.

The Trust may invest in participations ("Participations") in Senior Loans, may purchase assignments ("Assignments") of portions of Senior Loans from third parties, and may act as one of a group of Lenders originating a Senior Loan ("Primary Lender"). Senior Loans often are secured by specific assets of the Borrower, although the Trust may invest without limitation in Senior Loans that are not secured by any collateral. When the Trust acts as a Primary Lender, the Trust or the Adviser could be subject to allegations of lender liability. Senior Loans in which the Trust invests generally pay interest at rates that are periodically redetermined by reference to a base lending rate plus a spread.

*Real Estate Investments.* The Trust defines securities of issuers conducting their principal business activities in the real estate industry to include common stock, convertible or non-convertible preferred stock, warrants, convertible or non-convertible secured or unsecured debt, and partnership or membership interests issued by:

- commercial mortgage-backed securities ("CMBS"), residential mortgage-backed securities ("RMBS") and other real estate credit investments, which include existing first and second mortgages on real estate, either originated or acquired in the secondary market,

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and secured, unsecured and/or convertible notes offered by real estate operating companies (“REOCs”) and REITs;

- publicly traded REITs managed by affiliated or unaffiliated asset managers and their foreign equivalents (“Public REITs”);
- REOCs;
- private real estate investment funds managed by affiliated or unaffiliated institutional asset managers (“Private Real Estate Investment Funds”);
- registered closed-end funds that invest principally in real estate (collectively, “Public Investment Funds”);
- real estate exchange traded funds (“ETFs”); and
- publicly-registered non-traded REITs (“Non-Traded REITs”) and private REITs, generally wholly-owned by the Trust or wholly-owned or managed by an affiliate.

REITs are pooled investment vehicles that invest primarily in income-producing real estate or real estate-related loans or interests, and REOCs are companies that invest in real estate and whose shares trade on public exchanges. Foreign REIT equivalents are entities located in jurisdictions that have adopted legislation substantially similar to the REIT tax provisions in that they provide for favorable tax treatment for the foreign REIT equivalent and require distributions of income to shareholders. The Trust may enter into certain real estate and real-estate related investments through its wholly-owned REIT subsidiary, NFRO REIT Sub, LLC (the “REIT Subsidiary”). With respect to the Trust’s real estate investments, the Adviser seeks to: (i) recognize and allocate capital based upon where the Adviser believes we are in the current real estate cycle, and as a result (ii) minimize drawdowns during market downturns and maximize risk adjusted returns during all market cycles, though there can be no assurance that this strategy will achieve this objective. The Trust will rely on the expertise of the Adviser and its affiliates to determine the appropriate structure for structured credit investments, which may include bridge loans, common and preferred equity or other debt-like positions, as well as the acquisition of such instruments from banks, servicers or other third parties.

Preferred equity and mezzanine investments in real estate transactions come in various forms which may or may not be documented in the borrower’s organizational documents. Generally, real estate preferred equity and/or mezzanine investments are typically junior to first mortgage financing but senior to the borrower’s or sponsor’s equity contribution. The investments are typically structured as an investment by a third-party investor in the real estate owner or various affiliates in the chain of ownership in exchange for a direct or indirect ownership interest in the real estate owner entitling it to a preferred/priority return on its investment. Sometimes, the investment is



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structured much like a loan where (i) “interest” on the investment is required to be paid monthly by the “borrower” regardless of available property cash flow; (ii) the entire investment is required to be paid by a certain maturity date; (iii) default rate “interest” and penalties are assessed against the “borrower” in the event payments are not made timely; and (iv) a default in the repayment of investment potentially results in the loss of management and/or ownership control by the “borrower” in the company in favor of the investor or other third-party.

*Other Investments.* The Trust may invest up to 15% of its net assets in entities that are excluded from registration under the 1940 Act by virtue of section 3(c)(1) and 3(c)(7) of the 1940 Act (such as private equity funds or hedge funds). This limitation does not apply to any collateralized loan obligations, certain of which may rely on Section 3(c)(1) or 3(c)(7) of the 1940 Act.

In addition, the Trust may invest in equity securities of companies of any market capitalization, market sector or industry. Equity securities of U.S. or non-U.S. issuers in which the Trust may invest include common stocks, preferred stocks, convertible securities, depository receipts and warrants to buy common stocks. The Trust may invest in securities issued by other investment companies, including investment companies that are advised by the Adviser or its affiliates, to the extent permitted by applicable law and/or pursuant to exemptive relief from the SEC, and exchange-traded funds (“ETFs”). Fees and expenses of such investments will be borne by shareholders of the investing fund (the Trust), and the Adviser voluntarily waives the higher of the two fees for the portion of the Trust’s management fee attributable to the Trust’s investment in the affiliated investment company.

The Trust’s investment in fixed income securities may include convertible securities. A convertible security is a bond, debenture, note, preferred stock or other security that may be converted into or exchanged for a prescribed amount of common stock or other equity security of the same or a different issuer within a particular period of time at a specified price or formula. A convertible security entitles the holder to receive interest paid or accrued on debt or the dividend paid on preferred stock until the convertible security matures or is redeemed, converted or exchanged. Before conversion, convertible securities have characteristics similar to nonconvertible income securities in that they ordinarily provide a stable stream of income with generally higher yields than those of common stocks of the same or similar issuers, but lower yields than comparable nonconvertible securities. The value of a convertible security is influenced by changes in interest rates, with investment value declining as interest rates increase and increasing as interest rates decline. The credit standing of the issuer and other factors also may have an effect on the convertible security’s investment value. Convertible securities rank

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senior to common stock in a corporation's capital structure but are usually subordinated to comparable nonconvertible securities. Convertible securities may be subject to redemption at the option of the issuer at a price established in the convertible security's governing instrument. Depending on the relationship of the conversion price to the market value of the underlying securities, convertible securities may trade more like equity securities than debt instruments.

The Trust may invest without limitation in warrants and may also use derivatives, primarily swaps (including equity, variance and volatility swaps), options and futures contracts on securities, interest rates, non-physical commodities and/or currencies, as substitutes for direct investments the Trust can make. The Trust may also use derivatives such as swaps, options (including options on futures), futures, and foreign currency transactions (e.g., foreign currency swaps, futures and forwards) to any extent deemed by the Adviser to be in the best interest of the Trust, and to the extent permitted by the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"), to hedge various investments for risk management and speculative purposes.

The Trust may also engage in short sales of securities and may seek additional income by making secured loans of its portfolio securities.

The Trust may engage in securities lending by making secured loans of its portfolio securities amounting to not more than one-third of its total assets, thereby realizing additional income.

The Trust may invest in illiquid and restricted securities. Illiquid securities are those that cannot be disposed of within seven days in the ordinary course of business at approximately the amount at which the Trust has valued the securities.

The Trust may invest without limitation in securities (including loans) of non-U.S. issuers, including emerging market issuers. Such securities (including loans) may be denominated in U.S. dollars, non-U.S. currencies or multinational currency units.

Except as otherwise expressly noted in the Statement of Additional Information ("SAI"), all percentage limitations and ratings criteria apply at the time of purchase of securities.

The Trust may borrow an amount up to 33 1/3% of its total assets (including the amount borrowed) and may use leverage in the form of preferred shares in an amount up to 50% of the Trust's total assets (including the amount borrowed). The Trust may borrow for investment purposes and for temporary, extraordinary or emergency purposes. To the extent the Trust borrows more money than it has cash or short-term cash equivalents and invests the proceeds, the

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Trust will create financial leverage. The use of borrowing for investment purposes increases both investment opportunity and investment risk.

When adverse market, economic, political or currency conditions domestically or abroad occur, the Trust may temporarily invest all or a portion of its total assets in defensive investments. Such investments may include fixed-income securities, high quality money market instruments, cash and cash equivalents. To the extent the Trust takes a temporary defensive position, it may not achieve its investment objective.

The Trust is a non-diversified fund as defined in the 1940 Act, but it intends to adhere to the diversification requirements applicable to regulated investment companies ("RICs") under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). The Trust is not intended to be a complete investment program.

## Distributions

*Preferred Shares Distributions.* As required by the 1940 Act, all preferred shares of the Trust must have the same seniority with respect to distributions. Accordingly, no complete distribution due for a particular dividend period will be declared or paid on any series of preferred shares of the Trust for any dividend period, or part thereof, unless full cumulative dividends and distributions due through the most recent dividend payment dates for all series of outstanding preferred shares of the Trust are declared and paid. If full cumulative distributions due have not been declared and made on all outstanding preferred shares of the Trust, any distributions on such preferred shares will be made as nearly pro rata as possible in proportion to the respective amounts of distributions accumulated but unmade on each such series of preferred shares on the relevant dividend payment date.

The Trust's annualized distributions may in the future contain a return of capital and should not be considered as the dividend yield or total return of an investment in its common or preferred shares. Shareholders who receive the payment of a distribution consisting of a return of capital may be under the impression that they are receiving net profits when they are not. Shareholders should not assume that the source of a distribution from the Trust is net profit. The composition of each distribution is estimated based on the earnings of the Trust as of the record date for each distribution. The actual composition of each of the current year's distributions will be based on the Trust's investment activity through the end of the calendar year.

Distributions on fixed rate preferred shares, at the applicable annual rate of the per share liquidation preference, are cumulative from the original issue date and are payable, when, as and if declared by the Board, out of funds legally available therefor.

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*Common Shares Distributions.* Subject to market conditions, the Trust expects to declare dividends on the Trust’s common shares on a monthly basis. The Trust intends to pay any net capital gain distributions annually. Various factors will affect the level of the Trust’s current income and current gains, such as its asset mix and the Trust’s use of options and other derivative transactions. To permit the Trust to maintain more stable monthly dividends and annual capital gain distributions, the Trust may from time to time distribute less than the entire amount of income and gains earned in the relevant month or year, respectively. The undistributed income and gains would be available to supplement future distributions. As a result, the distributions paid by the Trust for any particular period may be more or less than the amount of income and gains actually earned by the Trust during the applicable period. Undistributed income and gains will add to the Trust’s net asset value, and, correspondingly, distributions from previously undistributed income and gains, as well as from capital, if any, will be deducted from the Trust’s net asset value.

Shareholders will automatically receive common shares purchased in the open market at prevailing prices for all dividends declared for common shares of the Trust in accordance with the Trust’s Dividend Reinvestment Plan unless an election is made to receive cash. Participants requesting a sale of securities through the plan agent of the Trust’s Dividend Reinvestment Plan are subject to a sales fee and a brokerage commission. See “Dividend Reinvestment Plan.”

**Principal Risks of the Trust**

The following is a summary of the principal risks associated with an investment in the Trust’s securities. **Investors should also refer to “Principal Risks of the Trust” in this Prospectus for a more detailed explanation of the risks associated with investing in the Trust’s securities.** Given the risks described below, an investment in the securities of the Trust may not be appropriate for all investors.

You should carefully consider your ability to assume these risks before making an investment in securities of the Trust.

**Credit Risk** is the risk that the issuers of certain securities or the counterparties of a derivatives contract or repurchase contract might be unable or unwilling (or perceived as being unable or unwilling) to make interest and/or principal payments when due, or to otherwise honor its obligations. Debt securities are subject to the risk of non-payment of scheduled interest and/or principal. Non-payment would result in a reduction of income to the Trust, a reduction in the value of the obligation experiencing non-payment and a potential decrease in the net asset value (“NAV”) of the Trust. The value of debt securities owned by the Trust may be affected by the ability of issuers to make principal and interest payments and by the issuer’s or counterparty’s credit quality. If an issuer cannot meet its payment obligations or if its credit rating is lowered, the value of its debt securities may decline.

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**Debt Securities Risk** is the risk associated with the fact that the value of debt securities typically changes in response to various factors, including, by way of example, market-related factors (such as changes in interest rates or changes in the risk appetite of investors generally) and changes in the actual or perceived ability of the issuer (or of issuers generally) to meet its (or their) obligations. During periods of rising interest rates, debt securities generally decline in value. Conversely, during periods of falling interest rates, debt securities generally rise in value. This kind of market risk is generally greater for funds investing in debt securities with longer maturities. This risk is generally greater for obligations with longer maturities or for debt securities that do not pay current interest (such as zero-coupon securities). Debt securities with floating interest rates can be less sensitive to interest rate changes, although, to the extent the Trust's income is based on short-term interest rates that fluctuate over short periods of time, income received by the Trust may decrease as a result of a decline in interest rates. In addition, the interest rates of floating rate loans typically only adjust to changes in short-term interest rates; long-term interest rates can vary dramatically from short-term interest rates.

**Senior Loans Risk** is the risk associated with Senior Loans, which are typically below investment grade and are considered speculative because of the credit risk of their issuers. As with any debt instrument, Senior Loans are generally subject to the risk of price declines and as interest rates rise, the cost of borrowing increases, which may increase the risk of default. In addition, the interest rates of floating rate loans typically only adjust to changes in short-term interest rates; long-term interest rates can vary dramatically from short-term interest rates. The secondary market for loans is generally less liquid than the market for higher grade debt. Less liquidity in the secondary trading market could adversely affect the price at which the Trust could sell a loan, and could adversely affect the NAV of the Trust's shares. The volume and frequency of secondary market trading in such loans varies significantly over time and among loans. Declines in interest rates may increase prepayments of debt obligations and require the Trust to invest assets at lower yields. No active trading market may exist for certain Senior Loans, which may impair the ability of the Trust to realize full value in the event of the need to liquidate such assets. Adverse market conditions may impair the liquidity of some actively traded Senior Loans.

**Extension Risk:** When interest rates rise, certain obligations will be paid off by the obligor more slowly than anticipated, causing the value of these obligations to fall. Rising interest rates tend to extend the duration of securities, making them more sensitive to changes in interest rates. The value of longer-term securities generally changes more in response to changes in interest rates than shorter-term securities. As a result, in a period of rising interest rates, securities may exhibit additional volatility and may lose value.

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**Focused Investment Risk – Real Estate.** The REIT Subsidiary's investments in mortgage, mezzanine or other real estate loans or preferred equity investments will generally be directly or indirectly secured by a lien on real property (or the equity interests in an entity that owns real property) that, upon the occurrence of a default on the loan, could result in the REIT Subsidiary acquiring ownership of the property. The Adviser will not know whether the values of the properties ultimately securing such loans or preferred equity investments will remain at the levels existing on the dates of origination of those loans or preferred equity investments. If the values of the underlying properties drop, the risk will increase because of the lower value of the security associated with such loans or preferred equity investments. In this manner, real estate values could impact the values of the Trust's loan or preferred equity investments. The Trust's investments in other real estate-related debt investments, through the REIT Subsidiary, may be similarly affected by real estate property values.

**Real Estate Market Risk.** The Trust is exposed to economic, market and regulatory changes that impact the real estate market generally through its investment in the REIT Subsidiary, which may cause the Trust's operating results to suffer. A number of factors may prevent the REIT Subsidiary's properties and other real estate-related investments from generating sufficient net cash flow or may adversely affect their value, or both, resulting in less cash available for distribution, or a loss, to us. These factors include: national, regional and local economic conditions; changing demographics; the ability of property managers to provide capable management and adequate maintenance; the quality of a property's construction and design; increases in costs of maintenance, insurance, and operations (including energy costs and real estate taxes); potential environmental and other legal liabilities; the level of financing used by the REIT Subsidiary and the availability and cost of refinancing; potential instability, default or bankruptcy of tenants in the properties owned by the REIT Subsidiary; the relative illiquidity of real estate investments in general, which may make it difficult to sell a property at an attractive price or within a reasonable time frame.

**Asset-Backed Securities Risk:** Because asset-backed securities often are secured by the loans underlying the securities, the Trust may lose money if there are defaults on the loans underlying the securities. Such defaults have increased the risk for asset-backed securities that are secured by home-equity loans related to sub-prime mortgage loans, especially in a declining residential real estate market. Asset-backed securities also may be subject to more rapid repayment than their stated maturity dates indicate, due to changing economic conditions. To maintain its position in such securities, the Trust may reinvest the reductions in principal amounts resulting from the prepayments. Yields on those reinvested amounts are subject to prevailing market rates. Because prepayments of principal generally

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increase when rates are falling, the Trust generally has to reinvest proceeds from prepayments at lower rates. Investments in asset-backed securities may also be subject to valuation risk.

**REIT-Specific Risk.** REITs may be affected by changes in the real estate markets generally as well as changes in the values of the properties owned by the REIT or securing the mortgages owned by the REIT (which changes in value could be influenced by market conditions for real estate in general or fluctuations in the value of rights to natural resources appurtenant to the property held by the REIT). REITs are dependent upon management skill and are not diversified. REITs are also subject to heavy cash flow dependency, defaults by borrowers, self-liquidation, and the possibility of failing to qualify for special tax treatment under the Code and to maintain an exemption under the 1940 Act. For example, because a REIT may acquire debt securities of issuers primarily engaged in or related to the real estate industry, it also could conceivably own real estate directly as a result of a default on such securities. Any rental income or income from the disposition of such real estate could adversely affect its ability to retain its tax status, which would have adverse tax consequences on its shareholders. Finally, certain REITs may be self-liquidating at the end of a specified term, and run the risk of liquidating at an economically inopportune time.

**REIT Tax Risk for REIT Subsidiaries.** In addition to the REIT Subsidiary, the Trust may form one or more subsidiaries that will elect to be taxed as REITs beginning with the first year in which they commence material operations. In order for each subsidiary to qualify and maintain its qualification as a REIT, it must satisfy certain requirements set forth in the Code and Treasury Regulations that depend on various factual matters and circumstances. The Trust and the Adviser intend to structure each REIT subsidiary and its activities in a manner designed to satisfy all of these requirements. However, the application of such requirements is not entirely clear, and it is possible that the IRS may interpret or apply those requirements in a manner that jeopardizes the ability of such REIT subsidiary to satisfy all of the requirements for qualification as a REIT.

**Financial Services Industry Risk** is the risk associated with the fact that the Trust's investments in Senior Loans are arranged through private negotiations between a borrower ("Borrower") and several financial institutions. Investments in the financial services sector may be subject to credit risk, interest rate risk, and regulatory risk, among others. Banks and other financial institutions can be affected by such factors as downturns in the U.S. and foreign economies and general economic cycles, fiscal and monetary policy, adverse developments in the real estate market, the deterioration or failure of other financial institutions, and changes in banking or securities regulations. The financial services industry is subject to extensive government regulation, which can limit both the amounts and types of loans and

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other financial commitments financial services companies can make and the interest rates and fees they can charge.

**Fixed Income Market Risk** is the risk that fixed income markets may, in response to governmental intervention, economic or market developments (including potentially a reduction in the number of broker-dealers willing to engage in market-making activity), or other factors, experience periods of increased volatility and reduced liquidity. Fixed income securities may be difficult to value during such periods. In recent periods, governmental financial regulators, including the U.S. Federal Reserve, have taken steps to maintain historically low interest rates by purchasing bonds. Steps by those regulators to curtail or “taper” such activities could result in the effects described above, and could have a material adverse effect on prices for fixed income securities and on the management of the Trust.

**Interest Rate Risk** is the risk that fixed income securities will decline in value because of changes in interest rates. When interest rates decline, the value of fixed rate securities already held by the Trust can be expected to rise. Conversely, when interest rates rise, the value of existing fixed rate portfolio securities can be expected to decline. A fund with a longer average portfolio duration will be more sensitive to changes in interest rates than a fund with a shorter average portfolio duration. In addition, the interest rates of floating rate loans typically only adjust to changes in short-term interest rates; long-term interest rates can vary dramatically from short-term interest rates. However, the Trust will primarily invest in floating rate obligations, including Senior Loans, the rates on which periodically adjust with changes in market interest rates. Consequently, the Trust’s exposure to fluctuations in interest rates will generally be limited to the time that the interest rates on the Senior Loans in its portfolio are reset. When interest rates decline, the value of fixed rate securities already held by the Trust can be expected to rise. Conversely, when interest rates rise, the value of existing fixed-rate portfolio securities can be expected to decline.

**Structured Finance Securities Risk.** A portion of the Trust’s investments may consist of equipment trust certificates, collateralized mortgage obligations, collateralized bond obligations, collateralized loan obligations or similar instruments. Such structured finance securities are generally backed by an asset or a pool of assets, which serve as collateral. Depending on the type of security, the collateral may take the form of a portfolio of mortgage loans or bonds or other assets. The Trust and other investors in structured finance securities ultimately bear the credit risk of the underlying collateral.

**Leverage Risk.** The Trust currently uses financial leverage for investment purposes by issuing preferred shares and is also permitted to use other types of financial leverage, such as through the issuance of debt securities or additional preferred shares and borrowing from



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financial institutions. As provided in the 1940 Act and subject to certain exceptions, the Trust may issue additional senior securities (which may be stock, such as preferred shares, and/or securities representing debt) only if immediately after such issuance the value of the Trust's total assets, less certain ordinary course liabilities, exceeds 300% of the amount of the debt outstanding and exceeds 200% of the amount of preferred shares and debt outstanding. As of May 31, 2019, the amount of leverage represented approximately 29.4% of the Trust's net assets.

The Trust's leveraged capital structure creates special risks not associated with unleveraged funds having a similar investment objective and policies. These include the possibility of greater loss and the likelihood of higher volatility of the net asset value of the Trust and the asset coverage for the preferred shares.

**Preferred Share Risk** is the risk associated with the issuance of preferred shares to leverage the common shares. When preferred shares are issued, the NAV and market value of the common shares become more volatile, and the yield to the holders of common shares will tend to fluctuate with changes in the shorter-term dividend rates on the preferred shares. The Trust will pay (and the holders of common shares will bear) all costs and expenses relating to the issuance and ongoing maintenance of the preferred shares, including higher advisory fees. Accordingly, the issuance of preferred shares may not result in a higher yield or return to the holders of the common shares. If the dividend rate and other costs of the preferred shares approach the net rate of return on the Trust's investment portfolio, the benefit of leverage to the holders of the common shares would be reduced. If the dividend rate and other costs of the preferred shares exceed the net rate of return on the Trust's investment portfolio, the leverage will result in a lower rate of return to the holders of common shares than if the Trust had not issued preferred shares.

**High Yield Debt Securities Risk** is the risk that below investment grade securities or unrated securities of similar credit quality (commonly known as "high yield securities" or "junk securities") are more likely to default than higher rated securities. The Trust's ability to invest in high-yield debt securities generally subjects the Trust to greater risk than securities with higher ratings. The market value of these securities is generally more sensitive to corporate developments and economic conditions and can be volatile. Market conditions can diminish liquidity and make accurate valuations difficult to obtain. Below investment grade may be fixed or variable rate obligations and are rated below investment grade (Ba/BB or lower) by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization or are unrated but deemed by the Adviser to be of comparable quality. Such securities should be considered speculative with respect to capacity to pay interest and repay principal in accordance with the terms of the obligation.

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**Distressed and Defaulted Securities Risk:** The Trust may invest in the securities of financially distressed and bankrupt issuers, including debt obligations that are in covenant or payment default. Such investments generally trade significantly below par and are considered speculative. The repayment of defaulted obligations is subject to significant uncertainties. Defaulted obligations might be repaid only after lengthy workout or bankruptcy proceedings, during which the issuer might not make any interest or other payments. Typically such workout or bankruptcy proceedings result in only partial recovery of cash payments or an exchange of the defaulted obligation for other debt or equity securities of the issuer or its affiliates, which may in turn be illiquid or speculative.

**Illiquid and Restricted Securities Risk:** Illiquid investments may be difficult to resell at approximately the price they are valued in the ordinary course of business within seven days. When investments cannot be sold readily at the desired time or price, the Trust may have to accept a much lower price, may not be able to sell the investment at all or may be forced to forego other investment opportunities, all of which may adversely impact the Trust's returns. Illiquid investments also may be subject to valuation risk. Restricted securities (including Rule 144A securities) may be subject to legal restraints on resale and, therefore, are typically less liquid than other securities. The prices received from selling restricted securities in privately negotiated transactions may be less than those originally paid by the Trust. Investors in restricted securities may not benefit from the same investor protections as publicly traded securities.

**Payment-in-Kind Securities Risk:** The risk that the value of payment-in-kind securities ("PIKs") held by the Trust may be more sensitive to fluctuations in interest rates than other securities. PIKs pay all or a portion of their interest or dividends in the form of additional securities. Federal tax law requires that the interest on PIK bonds be accrued as income to the Trust regardless of the fact that the Trust will not receive cash until such securities mature. Since the income must be distributed to shareholders, the Trust may be forced to liquidate other securities in order to make the required distribution. Additionally, the deferred nature of payments on PIKs creates specific risks.

**Limited Information Risk** is the risk associated with the fact that the types of Senior Loans in which the Trust will invest historically may not have been rated by a NRSRO, have not been registered with the SEC or any state securities commission, and have not been listed on any national securities exchange. Although the Trust will generally have access to financial and other information made available to the Lenders in connection with Senior Loans, the amount of public information available with respect to Senior Loans will generally be less extensive than that available for rated, registered or exchange-listed securities. As a result, the performance of the Trust and its

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ability to meet its investment objective is more dependent on the analytical ability of the Adviser than would be the case for an investment company that invests primarily in rated, registered or exchange-listed securities.

**Valuation Risk:** Portfolio securities may be valued using techniques other than market quotations, under the circumstances described under “Determination of Net Asset Value.” The value established for a portfolio security may be different than what would be produced through the use of another methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio securities that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including “fair valued” securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their value from one day to the next than would be the case if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Trust could sell a portfolio security for the value established for it at any time and it is possible that the Trust would incur a loss because a portfolio security is sold at a discount to its established value.

Fair value is defined as the amount for which assets could be sold in an orderly disposition over a reasonable period of time, taking into account the nature of the asset. Fair value pricing, however, involves judgments that are inherently subjective and inexact, since fair valuation procedures are used only when it is not possible to be sure what value should be attributed to a particular asset or when an event will affect the market price of an asset and to what extent. As a result, fair value pricing may not reflect actual market value, and it is possible that the fair value determined for a security will be materially different from the value that actually could be or is realized upon the sale of that asset.

**Non-Diversification Risk** is the risk that an investment in the Trust could fluctuate in value more than an investment in a diversified fund. As a non-diversified fund for purposes of the 1940 Act, the Trust may invest a larger portion of its assets in the securities of fewer issuers than a diversified fund. The Trust’s investment in fewer issuers may result in the Trust’s shares being more sensitive to the economic results of those issuers. An investment in the Trust could fluctuate in value more than an investment in a diversified fund.

**Securities Market Risk** is the risk that the value of securities owned by the Trust may go up or down, sometimes rapidly or unpredictably, due to factors affecting particular companies or the securities markets generally. A general downturn in the securities market may cause multiple asset classes to decline in value simultaneously. Many factors can affect this value and you may lose money by investing in the Trust.

**Preferred Equity Risk.** Preferred equity investments may have similar risks to subordinated debt. The Trust may make preferred

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equity investments in companies that own or acquire properties. These investments may involve special risks relating to the particular issuer of the securities, including the financial condition and business outlook of the issuer. Issuers of preferred equity generally will invest in real estate or real estate-related assets and are subject to the inherent risks associated with real estate-related investments, including risks related to rising interest rates.

**Mezzanine Debt Risk.** The Trust's assets may include mezzanine loans. Structurally, mezzanine loans usually rank subordinate in priority of payment to senior debt, such as senior bank debt, and are often unsecured. However, mezzanine loans rank senior to common and preferred equity in a borrower's capital structure. Mezzanine debt is often used in leveraged buyout and real estate finance transactions.

**Convertible Securities Risk.** Convertible securities generally offer lower interest or dividend yields than non-convertible securities of similar quality. Because convertible securities are higher in an issuer's capital structure than equity securities, convertible securities are generally not as risky as the equity securities of the same issuer. However, convertible securities may gain or lose value due to changes in, among other things, interest rates; other general economic conditions; industry fundamentals; market sentiment; and the issuer's operating results, financial statements and credit ratings. The value of convertible securities also tends to change whenever the market value of the underlying common or preferred stock fluctuates.

**Equity Securities Risk** is the risk that stock prices will fall over short or long periods of time. In addition, common stocks represent a share of ownership in a company, and rank after bonds and preferred stock in their claim on the company's assets in the event of bankruptcy. The market prices of equity securities owned by the Trust may go up or down, sometimes rapidly or unpredictably. The value of a security may decline for a number of reasons that may directly relate to the issuer, such as management performance, fundamental changes to the business, financial leverage, non-compliance with regulatory requirements and reduced demand for the issuer's goods or services. The values of equity securities also may decline due to general market conditions that are not specifically related to a particular company, such as real or perceived adverse economic conditions, changes in the general outlook for corporate earnings, changes in interest or currency rates or adverse investor sentiment generally.

**Undervalued Stocks Risk:** Undervalued stocks include stocks that the Adviser believes are undervalued and/or are temporarily out of favor in the market. An undervalued stock may decrease in price or may not increase in price as anticipated by the Adviser if other investors fail to recognize the company's value or the factors that the Adviser believes will cause the stock price to increase do not occur.

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**Derivatives Risk** is a combination of several risks, including the risks that: (1) an investment in a derivative instrument may not correlate well with the performance of the securities or asset class to which the Trust seeks exposure, (2) derivative contracts, including options, may expire worthless and the use of derivatives may result in losses to the Trust, (3) a derivative instrument entailing leverage may result in a loss greater than the principal amount invested, (4) derivatives not traded on an exchange may be subject to credit risk, for example, if the counterparty does not meet its obligations (see also “Counterparty Risk”), and (5) derivatives not traded on an exchange may be subject to liquidity risk and the related risk that the instrument is difficult or impossible to value accurately. Derivatives are financial contracts whose value depends on, or is derived from, the value of underlying assets, reference rates, or indices. Derivatives involve the risk that changes in their value may not move as expected relative to the value of the assets, rates, or indices they are designed to track. Derivatives include futures, non-U.S. currency contracts, swap contracts, warrants, and options contracts. Derivatives may relate to securities, interest rates, currencies or currency exchange rates, inflation rates, commodities, and indices.

**Hedging Risk** is the risk that, although intended to limit or reduce investment risk, hedging strategies may also limit or reduce the potential for profit. There is no assurance that hedging strategies will be successful. There are several risks in connection with the use by the Trust of futures contracts and related options as a hedging device. One risk arises because of the imperfect correlation between movements in the prices of the futures contracts and options and movements in the underlying securities or index or movements in the prices of the Trust’s securities which are the subject of a hedge. The Adviser will, however, attempt to reduce this risk by purchasing and selling, to the extent possible, futures contracts and related options on securities and indices the movements of which will, in its judgment, correlate closely with movements in the prices of the underlying securities or index and the Trust’s portfolio securities sought to be hedged.

**Options Risk** is the risk associated with investments in options. Options, such as covered calls and covered puts, are subject to the risk that significant differences between the securities and options markets could result in an imperfect correlation between these markets.

**Swaps Risk:** The use of swaps is a highly specialized activity which involves investment techniques, risk analyses and tax planning different from those associated with ordinary portfolio securities transactions. These transactions can result in sizeable realized and unrealized capital gains and losses relative to the gains and losses from the Trust’s direct investments in securities.

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Transactions in swaps can involve greater risks than if the Trust had invested in the reference assets directly since, in addition to general market risks, swaps may be leveraged and are also subject to illiquidity risk, counterparty risk, credit risk and pricing risk. However, certain risks may be reduced (but not eliminated) if the Trust invests in cleared swaps. Regulators also may impose limits on an entity's or group of entities' positions in certain swaps. Because bilateral swap agreements are two party contracts and because they may have terms of greater than seven days, these swaps may be considered to be illiquid. Moreover, the Trust bears the risk of loss of the amount expected to be received under a swap in the event of the default or bankruptcy of a swap counterparty. Many swaps are complex and valued subjectively. Swaps and other derivatives may also be subject to pricing or "basis" risk, which exists when the price of a particular derivative diverges from the price of corresponding cash market instruments. Under certain market conditions it may not be economically feasible to initiate a transaction or liquidate a position in time to avoid a loss or take advantage of an opportunity. If a swap transaction is particularly large or if the relevant market is illiquid, it may not be possible to initiate a transaction or liquidate a position at an advantageous time or price, which may result in significant losses.

The value of swaps can be very volatile, and a variance in the degree of volatility or in the direction of securities prices from the Adviser's expectations may produce significant losses in the Trust's investments in swaps. In addition, a perfect correlation between a swap and a reference asset may be impossible to achieve. As a result, the Adviser's use of swaps may not be effective in fulfilling the Adviser's investment strategies and may contribute to losses that would not have been incurred otherwise.

**Short Sales Risk** is the risk of loss associated with any appreciation on the price of a security borrowed in connection with a short sale. The Trust may engage in short sales that are not made "against-the-box," which means that the Trust may sell short securities even when they are not actually owned or otherwise covered at all times during the period the short position is open. Short sales that are not made "against-the-box" involve unlimited loss potential since the market price of securities sold short may continuously increase.

**Securities Lending Risk:** The Trust will continue to receive interest on any securities loaned while simultaneously earning interest on the investment of the cash collateral in short-term money market instruments. However, the Trust will normally pay lending fees to broker-dealers and related expenses from the interest earned on such invested collateral. Any decline in the value of a portfolio security that occurs while the security is out on loan is borne by the Trust, and will adversely affect performance. There may be risks of delay in

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receiving additional collateral or risks of delay in recovery of the securities, loss of rights in the collateral should the borrower of the securities fail financially and possible investment losses in the investment of collateral. Any loan may be terminated by either party upon reasonable notice to the other party.

**Liquidity Risk** is the risk that low trading volume, lack of a market maker, large position size, or legal restrictions (including daily price fluctuation limits or “circuit breakers”) limits or prevents the Trust from selling particular securities or unwinding derivative positions at desirable prices. At times, a major portion of any portfolio security may be held by relatively few institutional purchasers. Even if the Trust considers such securities liquid because of the availability of an institutional market, such securities may become difficult to value or sell in adverse market or economic conditions. Because loan transactions often take longer to settle than transactions in other securities, the Trust may not receive the proceeds from the sale of a loan for a significant period of time.

**Counterparty Risk** is the risk that a counterparty (the other party to a transaction or an agreement or the party with whom the Trust executes transactions) to a transaction with the Trust may be unable or unwilling to make timely principal, interest or settlement payments, or otherwise honor its obligations. In an attempt to limit the counterparty risk associated with such transactions, the Trust conducts business only with financial institutions judged by the Adviser to present acceptable credit risk.

**Non-U.S. Securities Risk** is the risk associated with investing in non-U.S. issuers. Investments in securities of non-U.S. issuers involve certain risks not involved in domestic investments (for example, fluctuations in foreign exchange rates (for non-U.S. securities not denominated in U.S. dollars); future foreign economic, financial, political and social developments; nationalization; exploration or confiscatory taxation; smaller markets; different trading and settlement practices; less governmental supervision; and different accounting, auditing and financial recordkeeping standards and requirements) that may result in the Trust experiencing more rapid and extreme changes in value than a fund that invests exclusively in securities of U.S. companies. These risks are magnified for investments in issuers tied economically to emerging markets, the economies of which tend to be more volatile than the economies of developed markets. In addition, certain investments in non-U.S. securities may be subject to foreign withholding and other taxes on interest, dividends, capital gains or other income or proceeds. Those taxes will reduce the Trust’s yield on any such securities. See the “Taxation” section below.

**Management Risk** is the risk associated with the fact that the Trust relies on the Adviser’s ability to achieve its investment objective. The

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Adviser may be incorrect in its assessment of the intrinsic value of the companies whose securities the Trust holds, which may result in a decline in the value of Fund shares and failure to achieve its investment objective. The Trust's portfolio managers use qualitative analyses and/or models. Any imperfections or limitations in such analyses and models could affect the ability of the portfolio managers to implement strategies.

**Operational and Technology Risk** is the risk that cyber-attacks, disruptions, or failures that affect the Trust's service providers, counterparties, market participants, or issuers of securities held by the Trust may adversely affect the Trust and its shareholders, including by causing losses for the Trust or impairing Fund operations.

**Regulatory Risk** is the risk that to the extent that legislation or state or federal regulators impose additional requirements or restrictions with respect to the ability of financial institutions to make loans in connection with highly leveraged transactions, the availability of loan interests for investment by the Trust may be adversely affected. To the extent that legislation or state or federal regulators impose additional requirements or restrictions with respect to the ability of the Trust to invest in the assets of distressed companies, the availability of distressed company interests for investment by the Trust may be adversely affected.

*Given the risks described above, an investment in the securities may not be appropriate for all investors. You should carefully consider your ability to assume these risks before making an investment in the Trust.*



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The Trust's common and preferred shares are registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") and we are required to file reports, proxy statements and other information with the Commission. The materials we file are available at the Commission's public reference room at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. You may obtain information about the operation of the Commission's public reference room by calling the Commission at 1-800-SEC-0330. In addition, the Commission maintains an Internet website, at <http://www.sec.gov>, that contains reports, proxy and information statements, and other information regarding issuers, including us, that file documents electronically with the Commission.

### Summary of Trust Fees and Expenses

The following table shows the Trust's expenses, including preferred shares offering expenses, as a percentage of net assets attributable to common shares.

#### Shareholder Transaction Expenses\*

Sales load (as a percentage of offering price)	0%(1)
Offering expenses borne by the Trust (excluding Preferred Shares Offering Expenses) (as a percentage of offering price)	0%(2)
Dividend reinvestment and cash purchase plan fees	None(3)
Preferred Shares Offering Expenses Borne by the Trust (as a percentage of net assets attributable to common shares)	0.08%(4)

#### Percentage of Net Assets Attributable to Common Shares (Gives Effect to Leverage Through Borrowings)

#### Annual Expenses

Management fees	1.37%
Other expenses	1.85%(5)
Interest payments on borrowed funds	1.61%
Remainder of other expenses	0.24%
Dividends on Preferred Shares	— %(6)
Total Annual Expenses and Dividends on Preferred Shares	— %(6)

- \* The related Prospectus Supplement to be used in connection with any sales of securities will set forth any applicable sales load and the estimated offering expenses borne by the Trust.
- (1) In the event that the securities to which this Prospectus relates are sold to or through underwriters or dealer managers, a corresponding Prospectus Supplement will disclose the applicable sales load.
  - (2) The related Prospectus Supplement will disclose the estimated amount of offering expenses, the offering price and the offering expenses borne by the Trust and indirectly by all of the shareholders as a percentage of the offering price.
  - (3) Shareholders participating in the Trust's dividend reinvestment and cash purchase plan do not incur any additional fees.
  - (4) The related Prospectus Supplement will disclose the estimated amount of preferred share offering expenses borne by the Trust and indirectly by all of the shareholders as a percentage of the offering price.
  - (5) "Other Expenses" are based on estimated amounts for the current year assuming completion of the proposed issuances.
  - (6) Dividends on Preferred Shares, which will be disclosed in the related Prospectus Supplement, represent the aggregate of (1) the estimated distributions on the existing preferred shares outstanding and (2) the distributions that would be made assuming \$— million of preferred shares is issued with a fixed dividend rate of —%. There can, of course, be no guarantee that any preferred shares would be issued or, if issued, the terms thereof. This information will be updated if and when preferred shares are outstanding.

The purpose of this table above and the example below is to assist the investor in understanding the various costs and expenses that an investor in the Trust will bear directly or indirectly.

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The following example illustrates the expenses (including the maximum estimated offering expenses of \$500,000.00 from the issuance of \$0 in common shares and \$200 million in preferred shares) you would pay on a \$1,000 investment in common shares, followed by a preferred shares offering, assuming a 5% annual portfolio total return.\* The actual amounts in connection with any offering will be set forth in the Prospectus Supplement if applicable. **The example should not be considered a representation of future expenses, and actual expenses (including leverage and other expenses) may be greater or less than those shown.**

	<u>1 Year</u>	<u>3 Years</u>	<u>5 Years</u>	<u>10 Years</u>
Total expenses incurred	\$ 44	\$ 130	\$ 218	\$ 443

\* The example includes Dividends of Preferred Shares. If Dividends on Preferred Shares were not included in the example calculation, the expenses for the 1-, 3-, 5- and 10-year periods in the table above would be as follows (based on the same assumptions as above): \$32, \$99, \$168, and \$352. The applicable Prospectus Supplement to be used in connection with any sales of securities will set forth any applicable sales load and the estimated offering expenses borne by the Trust.

**Financial Highlights**

On September 25, 2017, the Trust acquired the assets of the Predecessor Fund. The Trust is the successor to the accounting and performance information of the Predecessor Fund. The selected data below sets forth the per share operating performance and ratios for the period presented. On April 11, 2019, the Trust changed its fiscal year end from June 30 to December 31. The financial information for the period from July 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018 has been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP ("PwC"), the Trust's independent registered public accounting firm. The financial information for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2018, 2017 and 2016, has been audited and reported on by another independent public registered accounting firm.

Selected data for a common share of beneficial interest outstanding throughout the period. Trust data for a common share outstanding throughout each period is as follows:

	<u>For the Period Ended December 31, 2018**</u>	<u>For the Years Ended</u>				
	<u>2018*</u>	<u>2017*†</u>	<u>2016*†</u>	<u>2015*†</u>	<u>2014*†</u>	
<b>Net Asset Value, Beginning of Year</b>	\$ 15.12	\$15.01	\$14.33	\$16.17	16.91	15.98
<b>Income from Investment Operations:(a)</b>						
Net investment income	0.42	0.75	0.68	0.89	0.74	0.74
Redemption fees added to paid-in capital	—	—	—	—	—	— (b)
Net realized and unrealized gain/(loss)	(0.80)	0.18	0.74	(1.84)	(0.74)	0.93
Total from investment operations	(0.38)	0.93	1.42	(0.95)	— (b)	1.67
<b>Less Distributions Declared to Shareholders:</b>						
From net investment income	(0.45)	(0.72)	(0.74)	(0.89)	(0.74)	(0.72)
From return of capital	(0.01)	(0.10)	—	—	—	(0.02)
Total distributions declared to shareholders	(0.46)	(0.82)	(0.74)	(0.89)	(0.74)	(0.74)
<b>Net Asset Value, End of Year(c)</b>	\$ 14.28	\$15.12	\$15.01	\$14.33	\$16.17	\$16.91
<b>Market Value, End of Period</b>	\$ 12.80	\$15.62	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Total return(d)	(15.44)%(j)	9.77%	10.05%	(5.77)%	0.11%	10.68%

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	For the Period Ended December 31, 2018**	For the Years Ended				
		2018*	2017*‡	2016*‡	2015*‡	2014*‡
<b>Ratios to Average Net Assets(f)/Supplemental Data:</b>						
Net assets, end of period (in 000's)	\$ 1,026,412	\$1,085,547	\$389,278	\$241,197	\$283,673	\$340,089
Gross operating expenses(g)(h)	3.10%	1.79%	1.20%(i)	1.38%	1.03%	1.25%
Net investment income(h)	5.48%	4.98%	4.61%	5.65%	4.55%	4.49%
Portfolio turnover rate	27%	177%	63%	53%	55%	69%
Average commission rate paid(l)	\$ 0.0243	\$ 0.0300				

\* Per share data prior to November 3, 2017 has been adjusted to give effect to an approximately 2 to 1 reverse stock split as part of the conversion to a closed-end fund.

\*\* For the six month period ended December 31, 2018. Effective April 11, 2019, the Fund had a fiscal year change from June 30 to December 31.

‡ Reflects the financial highlights of Class Z of the open-end fund prior to the conversion.

(a) Per share data was calculated using average shares outstanding during the period.

(b) Represents less than \$0.005 per share.

(c) The Net Asset Value per share has been calculated based on net assets which include adjustments made in accordance with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles required at period end for financial reporting purposes. These figures do not necessarily reflect the Net Asset Value per share or total return experienced by the shareholder at period end.

(d) Total return is based on market value per share for periods after November 3, 2017. Distributions are assumed for purposes of this calculation to be reinvested at prices obtained under the Trust's Dividend Reinvestment Plan. Prior to November 3, 2017, total return is at net asset value assuming all distributions are reinvested. For periods with waivers/reimbursements, had the Trust's investment adviser not waived or reimbursed a portion of expenses, total return would have been lower.

(e) All ratios for the period have been annualized, unless otherwise indicated.

(f) Supplemental expense ratios are shown below:

	For the Period Ended December 31, 2018**	For the Years Ended June 30,				
		2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Net operating expenses (net of waiver/reimbursement, if applicable, but gross of all other operating expenses)	3.10%	1.79%	1.12%	1.11%	1.04%	0.99%
Interest expense, commitment fees, and financing costs	1.63%	0.49%	0.01%	0.15%	0.04%	0.08%
Dividends and fees on securities sold short	— (k)	— (j)	0.01%	0.01%	0.05%	0.04%

(g) Includes dividends and fees on securities sold short.

(h) Excludes 12b-1 fees from partial period operating as an open-end fund. Following the conversion on November 3, 2017, the Trust is no longer subject to 12b-1 fees.

(i) Refer to Note 7 in the Notes to the Financial Statements for discussion of prior period custodian out-of-pocket expenses that were communicated to the Trust in the current period. The amount of the reimbursement was immaterial on a per share basis and did not impact the total return of the Trust. The Ratios of Gross Operating Expenses and Net Operating Expenses to Average Net Assets would be unchanged as the reimbursement of custodian fees was offset against current period expense waivers/ reimbursements with no impact to net expenses or net investment income.

(j) Not annualized.

(k) Represents less than 0.005%.

(l) Represents the total dollar amount of commissions paid on portfolio transactions divided by total number of portfolio shares purchased and sold for which commissions were charged. The period prior to the Conversion Date is not presented.

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The following table sets forth additional information regarding the Fund's credit facility for the last ten fiscal years:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Total Amount Outstanding</u>	<u>Asset Coverage Per \$1,000 of Indebtedness<sup>1</sup></u>
12/31/2018 <sup>2</sup>	496,141,100.00	3,068.41
6/30/2018	498,563,423.00	3,177.35
6/30/2017	—	—
6/30/2016	—	—
6/30/2015	51,500,000.00	16,414.00
6/30/2014	60,000,000.00	15,776.00
6/30/2013	—	—
6/30/2012	89,000,000.00	7,184.00
6/30/2011	135,000,000.00	6,599.00
6/30/2010	115,000,000.00	6,060.00
6/30/2009	181,000,000.00	4,658.00

1 The Trust closes its net asset value daily, and calculates asset coverage greater than 300%

2 For the six month period ended December 31, 2018. Effective April 11, 2019, the Fund had a fiscal year change from June 30 to December 31

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We may offer, from time to time, in one or more offerings, our common and/or fixed rate preferred shares, \$0.001 par value per share, our notes, or our subscription rights to purchase our common or fixed rate preferred shares or both, which we refer to collectively as the “securities.” The securities may be offered at prices and on terms to be set forth in one or more supplements to this Prospectus (each a “Prospectus Supplement”). The offering price per common share of the Trust will not be less than the net asset value per common share at the time we make the offering, exclusive of any underwriting commissions or discounts; however, rights offerings that meet certain conditions may be offered at a price below the then current net asset value per common share of the Trust. You should read this Prospectus and the applicable Prospectus Supplement carefully before you invest in our securities. Our securities may be offered directly to one or more purchasers, through agents designated from time to time by us, or through underwriters or dealers. The Prospectus Supplement relating to the offering will identify any agents, underwriters or dealers involved in the sale of our shares, and will set forth any applicable purchase price, fee, commission or discount arrangement between us and our agents or underwriters, or among our underwriters, or the basis upon which such amount may be calculated. The Prospectus Supplement relating to any sale of fixed rate preferred shares will set forth the liquidation preference and information about the dividend period, dividend rate, any call protection or non-call period and other matters. The Prospectus Supplement relating to any offering of subscription rights will set forth the number of common and/or fixed rate preferred shares issuable upon the exercise of each right and the other terms of such rights offering. While the aggregate number and amount of securities we may issue pursuant to this registration statement is limited to \$1,000,000,000 of securities, our Board may, without any action by the shareholders, amend our Agreement and Declaration of Trust from time to time to increase or decrease the aggregate number of shares or the number of shares of any class or series that we have authority to issue. We may not sell any of our securities through agents, underwriters or dealers without delivery of a Prospectus Supplement describing the method and terms of the particular offering.

The distribution of the securities may be effected from time to time in one or more transactions at a fixed price or prices, which may be changed, at prevailing market prices at the time of sale, at prices related to such prevailing market prices, or at negotiated prices; *provided, however*, that the price per share at which our common shares are sold, less any underwriting commissions or discounts, must equal or exceed the net asset value per share of our common shares at the time of the offering except (i) in connection with a rights offering to our existing shareholders, (ii) with the consent of the majority of our common shareholders, or (iii) under such circumstances as the Commission may permit.

In connection with the sale of the securities, underwriters or agents may receive compensation from us or from purchasers of the securities, for whom they may act as agents, in the form of discounts, concessions, commissions, structuring fees, distribution assistance payments or other compensation. Underwriters may sell the securities to or through dealers and such dealers may receive compensation in the form of discounts, concessions or commissions from the underwriters and/or commissions from the purchasers for whom they may act as agents. Underwriters, dealers and agents that participate in the distribution of the securities may be deemed to be underwriters under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”) and any discounts, commissions or other compensation they receive from us and any profit realized by them on the resale of the securities may be deemed to be underwriting discounts and commissions under the Securities Act. Any such underwriter or agent will be identified and any such compensation received from us will be described in the applicable Prospectus Supplement. The maximum commission or discount to be received by any member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (“FINRA”) or independent broker-dealer will not be greater than 8% for the sale of any securities being registered.

We may sell the securities through agents from time to time. The Prospectus Supplement will name any agent involved in the offer or sale of the securities and any commissions we pay to them. Generally, any agent will be acting on a best efforts basis for the period of its appointment.

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Any securities sold pursuant to a Prospectus Supplement may be traded on the NYSE, or another exchange on which the securities are traded.

Under agreements that we may enter, underwriters, dealers and agents who participate in the distribution of shares of our securities may be entitled to indemnification by us against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act. Underwriters, dealers and agents may engage in transactions with, or perform services for, us in the ordinary course of business.

Underwriters, dealers and agents may sell our shares at a price that is greater than, equal to or less than our net asset value per share so long as we sell our shares in accordance with the 1940 Act.

We may enter into derivative transactions with third parties, or sell securities not covered by this Prospectus to third parties in privately negotiated transactions. If the applicable Prospectus Supplement indicates, in connection with those derivatives, the third parties may sell securities covered by this Prospectus and the applicable Prospectus Supplement, including in short sale transactions. If so, the third party may use securities pledged by us or borrowed from us or others to settle those sales or to close out any related open borrowings of shares, and may use securities received from us in settlement of those derivatives to close out any related open borrowings of shares. The third parties in such sale transactions will be underwriters and, if not identified in this Prospectus, will be identified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement.

In order to comply with the securities laws of certain states, if applicable, our securities offered hereby will be sold in such jurisdictions only through registered or licensed brokers or dealers.

The Trust's common shareholders will indirectly bear all of the various expenses incurred in connection with the distribution activities described herein.

### **Use of Proceeds**

Unless otherwise specified in a Prospectus Supplement, the Trust will invest the net proceeds of any sales of securities in accordance with the Trust's investment objectives and policies as stated below, or use such proceeds for other general corporate purposes. Assuming current market conditions, the Trust estimates that investment of the net proceeds of an Offering will be substantially complete within one to three months of the completion of such Offering. Pending such investment, it is anticipated that the proceeds of the Offering may be invested in cash and/or short-term debt securities. These temporary investments are expected to provide a lower net return than we hope to achieve from our targeted investments. Following the completion of the Offering, the Trust may increase the amount of leverage outstanding. The Trust may also use the net proceeds from the Offering to call, redeem or repurchase preferred shares. See "Use of Leverage."

### **The Trust**

The Trust is a non-diversified, closed-end management investment company that was organized as a Massachusetts business trust on June 28, 2017 pursuant to a Declaration of Trust dated June 28, 2017. The Trust's principal office is located at 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201 and its telephone number is 1-877- 665-1287. On September 25, 2017, the Trust acquired the assets of Highland Floating Rate Opportunities Fund (the "Predecessor Fund"), a series of Highland Funds I (the "Predecessor Trust"), a Delaware statutory trust. On May 20, 2019, the Trust's name changed from "Highland Floating Rate Opportunities Fund" to "Highland Income Fund."

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The Trust's investment objective is to provide a high level of current income, consistent with preservation of capital. The Trust seeks to achieve its objective by investing at least 25% of its assets in investments in securities or other instruments directly or indirectly secured by real estate, including REITs, preferred equity, securities convertible into equity securities and mezzanine debt. The Trust seeks to achieve its objective by primarily investing directly and indirectly (e.g., through derivatives that are the economic equivalent of direct investments) in the following categories of securities and instruments: (i) floating rate loans and other securities deemed to be floating rate investments; (ii) investments in securities or other instruments directly or indirectly secured by real estate, including REITs, preferred equity, securities convertible into equity securities and mezzanine debt and (iii) other instruments, including, but not limited to, secured and unsecured fixed-rate loans and corporate bonds, distressed securities, mezzanine securities, structured products (including but not limited to mortgage-backed securities, collateralized loan obligations and asset-backed securities), convertible and preferred securities, equities (public and private), and futures and options.

*Floating Rate Investments.* Floating rate investments are debt obligations of companies or other entities, the interest rates of which float or vary periodically based upon a benchmark indicator of prevailing interest rates. Floating rate investments may include, by way of example, floating rate debt securities, money market securities of all types, repurchase agreements with remaining maturities of no more than 60 days, collateralized loan obligations and asset backed securities. The reference in the Trust's investment objective to capital preservation does not indicate that the Trust may not lose money. HCMFA seeks to employ strategies that are consistent with capital preservation, but there can be no assurance that the Adviser will be successful in doing so. In making investments for the Trust, the Trust's Adviser will seek to purchase instruments that it believes are undervalued or will provide attractive floating rate income, while attempting to minimize losses.

Floating rate loans in which the Trust invests are expected to be adjustable rate senior loans ("Senior Loans") to domestic or foreign corporations, partnerships and other entities that operate in a variety of industries and geographic regions ("Borrowers"). Senior Loans are business loans that have a right to payment senior to most other debts of the Borrower. Senior Loans generally are arranged through private negotiations between a Borrower and several financial institutions (the "Lenders") represented in each case by one or more such Lenders acting as agent (the "Agent") of the several Lenders. On behalf of the Lenders, the Agent is primarily responsible for negotiating the loan agreement ("Loan Agreement") that establishes the relative terms and conditions of the Senior Loan and rights of the Borrower and the Lenders.

The Trust may invest in securities of any credit quality. Senior Loans are typically below investment grade securities (also known as "high yield securities" or "junk securities"). Such securities are rated below investment grade by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization ("NRSRO") or are unrated but deemed by the Adviser to be of comparable quality. The Trust may invest without limitation in below investment grade or unrated securities, including in insolvent borrowers or borrowers in default. The Trust may invest without limitation in "covenant-lite" loans, which are loans made with fewer protections for the Lender and which are increasingly common in the loan and credit instruments market. Because covenant-lite loans are less restrictive on Borrowers and provide less protection for Lenders than typical corporate loans, the risk of default may be significantly higher.

The Trust may invest in participations ("Participations") in Senior Loans, may purchase assignments ("Assignments") of portions of Senior Loans from third parties, and may act as one of a group of Lenders originating a Senior Loan ("Primary Lender"). Senior Loans often are secured by specific assets of the Borrower, although the Trust may invest without limitation in Senior Loans that are not secured by any collateral. When the Trust acts as a Primary Lender, the Trust or the Adviser could be subject to allegations of lender liability. Senior Loans in which the Trust invests generally pay interest at rates that are periodically redetermined by reference to a base lending rate plus a spread.

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*Real Estate Investments.* The Trust defines securities of issuers conducting their principal business activities in the real estate industry to include common stock, convertible or non-convertible preferred stock, warrants, convertible or non-convertible secured or unsecured debt, and partnership or membership interests issued by:

- CMBS, RMBS and other real estate credit investments, which include existing first and second mortgages on real estate, either originated or acquired in the secondary market, and secured, unsecured and/or convertible notes offered by REOCs and REITs;
- Public REITs;
- REOCs;
- Private Real Estate Investment Funds;
- Public Investment Funds;
- real estate ETFs; and
- Non-Traded REITs and private REITs, generally wholly-owned by the Trust or wholly-owned or managed by an affiliate.

REITs are pooled investment vehicles that invest primarily in income-producing real estate or real estate-related loans or interests, and REOCs are companies that invest in real estate and whose shares trade on public exchanges. Foreign REIT equivalents are entities located in jurisdictions that have adopted legislation substantially similar to the REIT tax provisions in that they provide for favorable tax treatment for the foreign REIT equivalent and require distributions of income to shareholders. The Trust may enter into certain real estate and real-estate related investments through its wholly-owned REIT subsidiary, NFRO REIT Sub, LLC (the “REIT Subsidiary”). With respect to the Trust’s real estate investments, the Adviser seeks to: (i) recognize and allocate capital based upon where the Adviser believes we are in the current real estate cycle, and as a result (ii) minimize drawdowns during market downturns and maximize risk adjusted returns during all market cycles, though there can be no assurance that this strategy will achieve this objective. The Trust will rely on the expertise of the Adviser and its affiliates to determine the appropriate structure for structured credit investments, which may include bridge loans, common and preferred equity or other debt-like positions, as well as the acquisition of such instruments from banks, servicers or other third parties.

Preferred equity and mezzanine investments in real estate transactions come in various forms which may or may not be documented in the borrower’s organizational documents. Generally, real estate preferred equity and/or mezzanine investments are typically junior to first mortgage financing but senior to the borrower’s or sponsor’s equity contribution. The investments are typically structured as an investment by a third-party investor in the real estate owner or various affiliates in the chain of ownership in exchange for a direct or indirect ownership interest in the real estate owner entitling it to a preferred/priority return on its investment. Sometimes, the investment is structured much like a loan where (i) “interest” on the investment is required to be paid monthly by the “borrower” regardless of available property cash flow; (ii) the entire investment is required to be paid by a certain maturity date; (iii) default rate “interest” and penalties are assessed against the “borrower” in the event payments are not made timely; and (iv) a default in the repayment of investment potentially results in the loss of management and/or ownership control by the “borrower” in the company in favor of the investor or other third-party.

*Other Investments.* The Trust may invest up to 15% of its net assets in entities that are excluded from registration under the 1940 Act by virtue of section 3(c)(1) and 3(c)(7) of the 1940 Act (such as private equity funds or hedge funds). This limitation does not apply to any collateralized loan obligations, certain of which may rely on Section 3(c)(1) or 3(c)(7) of the 1940 Act.

In addition, the Trust may invest in equity or debt securities. The Trust may invest in equity securities of companies of any market capitalization, market sector or industry. Equity securities of U.S. or non-U.S. issuers in



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which the Trust may invest include common stocks, preferred stocks, convertible securities, depositary receipts and warrants to buy common stocks. The Trust may invest in securities issued by other investment companies, including investment companies that are advised by the Adviser or its affiliates, to the extent permitted by applicable law and/or pursuant to exemptive relief from the SEC, and exchange-traded funds ("ETFs"). Fees and expenses of such investments will be borne by shareholders of the investing fund (the Trust), and the Adviser voluntarily waives the higher of the two fees for the portion of the Trust's management fee attributable to the Trust's investment in the affiliated investment company.

The Trust's investment in fixed income securities may include convertible securities. A convertible security is a bond, debenture, note, preferred stock or other security that may be converted into or exchanged for a prescribed amount of common stock or other equity security of the same or a different issuer within a particular period of time at a specified price or formula. A convertible security entitles the holder to receive interest paid or accrued on debt or the dividend paid on preferred stock until the convertible security matures or is redeemed, converted or exchanged. Before conversion, convertible securities have characteristics similar to nonconvertible income securities in that they ordinarily provide a stable stream of income with generally higher yields than those of common stocks of the same or similar issuers, but lower yields than comparable nonconvertible securities. The value of a convertible security is influenced by changes in interest rates, with investment value declining as interest rates increase and increasing as interest rates decline. The credit standing of the issuer and other factors also may have an effect on the convertible security's investment value. Convertible securities rank senior to common stock in a corporation's capital structure but are usually subordinated to comparable nonconvertible securities. Convertible securities may be subject to redemption at the option of the issuer at a price established in the convertible security's governing instrument. Depending on the relationship of the conversion price to the market value of the underlying securities, convertible securities may trade more like equity securities than debt instruments.

The Trust may invest without limitation in warrants and may also use derivatives, primarily swaps (including equity, variance and volatility swaps), options and futures contracts on securities, interest rates, non-physical commodities and/or currencies, as substitutes for direct investments the Trust can make. The Trust may also use derivatives such as swaps, options (including options on futures), futures, and foreign currency transactions (e.g., foreign currency swaps, futures and forwards) to any extent deemed by the Adviser to be in the best interest of the Trust, and to the extent permitted by the 1940 Act, to hedge various investments for risk management and speculative purposes.

The Trust may also engage in short sales of securities and may seek additional income by making secured loans of its portfolio securities.

The Trust may engage in securities lending by making secured loans of its portfolio securities amounting to not more than one-third of its total assets, thereby realizing additional income.

The Trust may invest in illiquid and restricted securities. Illiquid securities are those that cannot be disposed of within seven days in the ordinary course of business at approximately the amount at which the Trust has valued the securities.

The Trust may invest without limitation in securities (including loans) of non-U.S. issuers, including emerging market issuers. Such securities (including loans) may be denominated in U.S. dollars, non-U.S. currencies or multinational currency units.

Except as otherwise expressly noted in the Statement of Additional Information ("SAI"), all percentage limitations and ratings criteria apply at the time of purchase of securities.

The Trust may borrow an amount up to 33 1/3% of its total assets (including the amount borrowed) and may use leverage in the form of preferred shares in an amount up to 50% of the Trust's total assets (including the

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amount borrowed. The Trust may borrow for investment purposes requests and for temporary, extraordinary or emergency purposes. To the extent the Trust borrows more money than it has cash or short-term cash equivalents and invests the proceeds, the Trust will create financial leverage. The use of borrowing for investment purposes increases both investment opportunity and investment risk.

When adverse market, economic, political or currency conditions domestically or abroad occur, the Trust may temporarily invest all or a portion of its total assets in defensive investments. Such investments may include fixed-income securities, high quality money market instruments, cash and cash equivalents. To the extent the Trust takes a temporary defensive position, it may not achieve its investment objective.

The Trust is a non-diversified fund as defined in the 1940 Act, but it intends to adhere to the diversification requirements applicable to regulated investment companies ("RICs") under Subchapter M of the Code. The Trust is not intended to be a complete investment program.

For a more complete discussion of the Trust's investment portfolio composition, see the Statement of Additional Information.

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The following is a description of the principal risks associated with an investment in the Trust's common or preferred shares, as well as those risks generally associated with investment in a company with investment objectives, investment policies, capital structure or trading markets similar to the Trust. Given the risks described below, an investment in shares of the Trust may not be appropriate for all investors. You should carefully consider your ability to assume these risks before making an investment in the Trust.

Like all funds, investing in the Trust involves risk factors and special considerations. The Trust's risk is defined primarily by its principal investment strategies, along with descriptions of the Trust's related risks. This section discusses the risk factors associated with an investment in the Trust specifically, as well as those factors generally associated with an investment in a company with investment objectives, investment policies, capital structure or trading markets similar to the Trust. Investments in the Trust are not insured against loss of principal. As with any fund, there can be no assurance that the Trust will achieve its investment objectives. Investing in shares of the Trust should not be considered a complete investment program.

**Credit Risk** is the risk that the issuers of certain securities or the counterparties of a derivatives contract or repurchase contract might be unable or unwilling (or perceived as being unable or unwilling) to make interest and/or principal payments when due, or to otherwise honor its obligations. Debt securities are subject to the risk of non-payment of scheduled interest and/or principal. Non-payment would result in a reduction of income to the Trust, a reduction in the value of the obligation experiencing non-payment and a potential decrease in the net asset value ("NAV") of the Trust. The value of debt securities owned by the Trust may be affected by the ability of issuers to make principal and interest payments and by the issuer's or counterparty's credit quality. If an issuer cannot meet its payment obligations or if its credit rating is lowered, the value of its debt securities may decline. Lower quality bonds are generally more sensitive to these changes than higher quality bonds. Even within securities considered investment grade, differences exist in credit quality and some investment-grade debt securities may have speculative characteristics. A security's price may be adversely affected by the market's perception of the security's credit quality level even if the issuer or counterparty has suffered no degradation in its ability to honor the obligation.

Credit risk varies depending upon whether the issuers of the securities are corporations or domestic or foreign governments or their sub-divisions or instrumentalities and whether the particular note or other instrument held by the Trust has a priority in payment of principal and interest. U.S. government securities are subject to varying degrees of credit risk depending upon whether the securities are supported by the full faith and credit of the United States, supported by the ability to borrow from the U.S. Treasury, supported only by the credit of the issuing U.S. government agency, instrumentality, or corporation, or otherwise supported by the United States. Obligations issued by U.S. government agencies, authorities, instrumentalities or sponsored enterprises, such as Government National Mortgage Association, are backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Treasury, while obligations issued by others, such as Federal National Mortgage Association (FNMA), Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (Freddie Mac) and Federal Home Loan Banks (FHLBs), are backed solely by the ability of the entity to borrow from the U.S. Treasury or by the entity's own resources. No assurance can be given that the U.S. government would provide financial support to U.S. government agencies, authorities, instrumentalities or sponsored enterprises if it is not obligated to do so by law.

**Debt Securities Risk** is the risk associated with the fact that the value of debt securities typically changes in response to various factors, including, by way of example, market-related factors (such as changes in interest rates or changes in the risk appetite of investors generally) and changes in the actual or perceived ability of the issuer (or of issuers generally) to meet its (or their) obligations. During periods of rising interest rates, debt securities generally decline in value. Conversely, during periods of falling interest rates, debt securities generally rise in value. This kind of market risk is generally greater for funds investing in debt securities with longer maturities. This risk is generally greater for obligations with longer maturities or for debt securities that do not pay current interest (such as zero-coupon securities). Debt securities with floating interest rates can be less

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sensitive to interest rate changes, although, to the extent the Trust's income is based on short-term interest rates that fluctuate over short periods of time, income received by the Trust may decrease as a result of a decline in interest rates. In addition, the interest rates of floating rate loans typically only adjust to changes in short-term interest rates; long-term interest rates can vary dramatically from short-term interest rates. Because loans are not ordinarily registered with the SEC or any state securities commission or listed on any securities exchange, there is usually less publicly available information about such instruments. In addition, loans may not be considered "securities" for purposes of the anti-fraud protections of the federal securities laws and, as a result, as a purchaser of these instruments, we may not be entitled to the anti-fraud protections of the federal securities laws. In the course of investing in such instruments, we may come into possession of material nonpublic information and, because of prohibitions on trading in securities of issuers while in possession of such information, we may be unable to enter into a transaction in a publicly-traded security of that issuer when it would otherwise be advantageous for us to do so. Alternatively, we may choose not to receive material nonpublic information about an issuer of such loans, with the result that we may have less information about such issuers than other investors who transact in such assets.

In response to an interest rate decline, debt securities that provide the issuer with the right to call or redeem the security prior to maturity may be called or redeemed. If a debt security is repaid more quickly than expected, the Trust may not be able to reinvest the proceeds at the same interest rate, reducing the potential for gain. When interest rates increase or for other reasons, debt securities may be repaid more slowly than expected. As a result, the maturity of the debt instrument is extended, increasing the potential for loss. As of the date of this Prospectus, market interest rates in the United States are at or near historic lows, which may increase the Trust's exposure to risks associated with rising market interest rates. Rising market interest rates could have unpredictable effects on the markets and may expose fixed-income and related markets to heightened volatility, which could reduce liquidity for certain investments, adversely affect values, and increase costs. If dealer capacity in fixed-income and related markets is insufficient for market conditions, it may further inhibit liquidity and increase volatility in the fixed-income and related markets. Further, recent and potential future changes in government policy may affect interest rates.

The value of a debt security also depends on the issuer's credit quality or ability to pay principal and interest when due. The value of a debt security is likely to fall if an issuer or the guarantor of a security is unable or unwilling (or perceived to be unable or unwilling) to make timely principal and/or interest payments or otherwise to honor its obligations, or if the debt security's rating is downgraded by a credit rating agency. The obligations of issuers (and obligors of asset-backed securities) are subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, and other laws affecting the rights and remedies of creditors. The value of a debt security can also decline in response to other changes in market, economic, industry, political, and regulatory conditions that affect a particular type of debt security or issuer or debt securities generally. The values of many debt securities may fall in response to a general increase in investor risk aversion or a decline in the confidence of investors generally in the ability of issuers to meet their obligations.

Senior loans are subject to the same risks typically associated with debt securities. In addition, senior loans, which typically hold a senior position in the capital structure of a borrower, are subject to the risk that a court could subordinate such loans to presently existing or future indebtedness or take other action detrimental to the holders of senior loans. Senior loans are also especially subject to the risk that the value of the collateral, if any, securing a loan may decline, be insufficient to meet the obligations of the borrower, or be difficult to liquidate.

**Senior Loans Risk** is the risk associated with Senior Loans, which are typically below investment grade and are considered speculative because of the credit risk of their issuers. As with any debt instrument, Senior Loans are generally subject to the risk of price declines and as interest rates rise, the cost of borrowing increases, which may increase the risk of default. In addition, the interest rates of floating rate loans typically only adjust to changes in short-term interest rates; long-term interest rates can vary dramatically from short-term interest rates. The secondary market for loans is generally less liquid than the market for higher grade debt. Less liquidity in the secondary trading market could adversely affect the price at which the Trust could sell a loan, and could

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adversely affect the NAV of the Trust's shares. The volume and frequency of secondary market trading in such loans varies significantly over time and among loans. Declines in interest rates may increase prepayments of debt obligations and require the Trust to invest assets at lower yields. No active trading market may exist for certain Senior Loans, which may impair the ability of the Trust to realize full value in the event of the need to liquidate such assets. Adverse market conditions may impair the liquidity of some actively traded Senior Loans.

Senior Loans may not be rated by a rating agency, registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission or any state securities commission or listed on any national securities exchange. Therefore, there may be less publicly available information about them than for registered or exchange-listed securities. The risks associated with Senior Loans are similar to the risks of below investment grade securities. Moreover, any specific collateral used to secure a loan may decline in value or lose all its value or become illiquid, which would adversely affect the loan's value. Economic and other events, whether real or perceived, can reduce the demand for certain Senior Loans or Senior Loans generally, which may reduce market prices and cause the Trust's NAV per share to fall. The frequency and magnitude of such changes cannot be predicted.

At times of less liquidity, it may be more difficult to value high yield Senior Loans because this valuation may require more research, and elements of judgment may play a greater role in the valuation since there is less reliable, objective data available. Investments in Senior Loans and other securities may result in greater NAV fluctuation than if the Trust did not make such investments.

Although Senior Loans in which the Trust will invest will often be secured by collateral, there can be no assurance that liquidation of such collateral would satisfy the borrower's obligation in the event of a default or that such collateral could be readily liquidated. In the event of bankruptcy of a borrower, the Trust could experience delays or limitations in its ability to realize the benefits of any collateral securing a Senior Loan. The Trust may also invest in Senior Loans that are not secured.

In addition to the risks typically associated with debt securities and loans generally, Senior Loans are also subject to the risk that a court could subordinate a Senior Loan, which typically holds a senior position in the capital structure of a borrower, to presently existing or future indebtedness or take other action detrimental to the holders of Senior Loans. In addition to the risks discussed above, which pertain to all Senior Loans, those Senior Loans secured by specific assets of borrowers that are located outside of the U.S. may be subject to additional risks. Those risks may include difficulty in enforcing security interests in the collateral located in non-U.S. jurisdictions, complexities involved in liquidating the underlying collateral, and heightened risks that the underlying collateral may be insufficient to fully discharge the borrower's obligations evidenced by the Senior Loans.

**Extension Risk:** When interest rates rise, certain obligations will be paid off by the obligor more slowly than anticipated, causing the value of these obligations to fall. Rising interest rates tend to extend the duration of securities, making them more sensitive to changes in interest rates. The value of longer-term securities generally changes more in response to changes in interest rates than shorter-term securities. As a result, in a period of rising interest rates, securities may exhibit additional volatility and may lose value.

**Focused Investment Risk – Real Estate.** The REIT Subsidiary's investments in mortgage, mezzanine or other real estate loans or preferred equity investments will generally be directly or indirectly secured by a lien on real property (or the equity interests in an entity that owns real property) that, upon the occurrence of a default on the loan, could result in the REIT Subsidiary acquiring ownership of the property. The Adviser will not know whether the values of the properties ultimately securing such loans or preferred equity investments will remain at the levels existing on the dates of origination of those loans or preferred equity investments. If the values of the underlying properties drop, the risk will increase because of the lower value of the security associated with such loans or preferred equity investments. In this manner, real estate values could impact the values of the Trust's loan or preferred equity investments. The Trust's investments in other real estate-related debt investments, through the REIT Subsidiary, may be similarly affected by real estate property values.

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**Real Estate Market Risk.** The Trust is exposed to economic, market and regulatory changes that impact the real estate market generally through its investment in the REIT Subsidiary, which may cause the Trust's operating results to suffer. A number of factors may prevent the REIT Subsidiary's properties and other real estate-related investments from generating sufficient net cash flow or may adversely affect their value, or both, resulting in less cash available for distribution, or a loss, to us. These factors include: national, regional and local economic conditions; changing demographics; the ability of property managers to provide capable management and adequate maintenance; the quality of a property's construction and design; increases in costs of maintenance, insurance, and operations (including energy costs and real estate taxes); potential environmental and other legal liabilities; the level of financing used by the REIT Subsidiary and the availability and cost of refinancing; potential instability, default or bankruptcy of tenants in the properties owned by the REIT Subsidiary; the relative illiquidity of real estate investments in general, which may make it difficult to sell a property at an attractive price or within a reasonable time frame.

**Asset-Backed Securities Risk:** Because asset-backed securities often are secured by the loans underlying the securities, the Trust may lose money if there are defaults on the loans underlying the securities. Such defaults have increased the risk for asset-backed securities that are secured by home-equity loans related to sub-prime mortgage loans, especially in a declining residential real estate market. Asset-backed securities also may be subject to more rapid repayment than their stated maturity dates indicate, due to changing economic conditions. To maintain its position in such securities, the Trust may reinvest the reductions in principal amounts resulting from the prepayments. Yields on those reinvested amounts are subject to prevailing market rates. Because prepayments of principal generally increase when rates are falling, the Trust generally has to reinvest proceeds from prepayments at lower rates. Investments in asset-backed securities may also be subject to valuation risk.

**REIT-Specific Risk.** REITs may be affected by changes in the real estate markets generally as well as changes in the values of the properties owned by the REIT or securing the mortgages owned by the REIT (which changes in value could be influenced by market conditions for real estate in general or fluctuations in the value of rights to natural resources appurtenant to the property held by the REIT). REITs are dependent upon management skill and are not diversified. REITs are also subject to heavy cash flow dependency, defaults by borrowers, self-liquidation, and the possibility of failing to qualify for special tax treatment under the Code and to maintain an exemption under the 1940 Act. For example, because a REIT may acquire debt securities of issuers primarily engaged in or related to the real estate industry, it also could conceivably own real estate directly as a result of a default on such securities. Any rental income or income from the disposition of such real estate could adversely affect its ability to retain its tax status, which would have adverse tax consequences on its shareholders. Finally, certain REITs may be self-liquidating at the end of a specified term, and run the risk of liquidating at an economically inopportune time.

**REIT Tax Risk for REIT Subsidiaries.** In addition to the REIT Subsidiary, the Trust may form one or more subsidiaries that will elect to be taxed as REITs beginning with the first year in which they commence material operations. In order for each subsidiary to qualify and maintain its qualification as a REIT, it must satisfy certain requirements set forth in the Code and Treasury Regulations that depend on various factual matters and circumstances. The Trust and the Adviser intend to structure each REIT subsidiary and its activities in a manner designed to satisfy all of these requirements. However, the application of such requirements is not entirely clear, and it is possible that the IRS may interpret or apply those requirements in a manner that jeopardizes the ability of such REIT subsidiary to satisfy all of the requirements for qualification as a REIT.

If a REIT subsidiary fails to qualify as a REIT for any taxable year and it does not qualify for certain statutory relief provisions, it will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on its taxable income at corporate rates. In addition, it will generally be disqualified from treatment as a REIT for the four taxable years following the year of losing its REIT status. Losing its REIT status will reduce its net earnings available for investment or distribution to stockholders because of the additional tax liability. In addition, distributions to stockholders will no longer

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qualify for the dividends paid deduction, and the REIT subsidiary will no longer be required to make distributions. If this occurs, such REIT subsidiary might be required to borrow funds or liquidate some investments in order to pay the applicable tax.

To obtain the favorable tax treatment afforded to REITs under the Code, among other things each REIT subsidiary generally will be required each year to distribute to its stockholders at least 90% of its REIT taxable income determined without regard to the dividends-paid deduction and excluding net capital gain. To the extent that it does not distribute all of its net capital gains, or distributes at least 90%, but less than 100%, of its REIT taxable income, as adjusted, it will have to pay a corporate level tax on amounts retained. Furthermore, if it fails to distribute during each calendar year at least the sum of (a) 85% of its ordinary income for that year, (b) 95% of its capital gain net income for that year, and (c) any undistributed taxable income from prior periods, it would have to pay a 4% nondeductible excise tax on the excess of the amounts required to be distributed over the sum of (a) the amounts that it actually distributed and (b) the amounts it retained and upon which it paid income tax at the corporate level. These requirements could cause it to distribute amounts that otherwise would be spent on investments in real estate assets, and it is possible that the REIT subsidiary might be required to borrow funds, possibly at unfavorable rates, or sell assets to fund the required distributions. *See REIT Tax Considerations below for more information.*

**Financial Services Industry Risk** is the risk associated with the fact that the Trust's investments in Senior Loans are arranged through private negotiations between a borrower ("Borrower") and several financial institutions. Investments in the financial services sector may be subject to credit risk, interest rate risk, and regulatory risk, among others. Banks and other financial institutions can be affected by such factors as downturns in the U.S. and foreign economies and general economic cycles, fiscal and monetary policy, adverse developments in the real estate market, the deterioration or failure of other financial institutions, and changes in banking or securities regulations. The financial services industry is subject to extensive government regulation, which can limit both the amounts and types of loans and other financial commitments financial services companies can make and the interest rates and fees they can charge. Profitability is largely dependent on the availability and cost of capital funds, and can fluctuate significantly when interest rates change. Because financial services companies are highly dependent on short-term interest rates, they can be adversely affected by downturns in the U.S. and foreign economies or changes in banking regulations. Losses resulting from financial difficulties of Borrowers can negatively affect financial services companies. The financial services industry is currently undergoing relatively rapid change as existing distinctions between financial service segments become less clear. This change may make it more difficult for the Adviser to analyze investments in this industry. Additionally, the recently increased volatility in the financial markets and implementation of the recent financial reform legislation may affect the financial services industry as a whole in ways that may be difficult to predict.

**Fixed Income Market Risk** is the risk that fixed income markets may, in response to governmental intervention, economic or market developments (including potentially a reduction in the number of broker-dealers willing to engage in market-making activity), or other factors, experience periods of increased volatility and reduced liquidity. In recent periods, governmental financial regulators, including the U.S. Federal Reserve, have taken steps to maintain historically low interest rates by purchasing bonds. Steps by those regulators to curtail or "taper" such activities could result in the effects described above, and could have a material adverse effect on prices for fixed income securities and on the management of the Trust.

**Interest Rate Risk** is the risk that fixed income securities will decline in value because of changes in interest rates. When interest rates decline, the value of fixed rate securities already held by the Trust can be expected to rise. Conversely, when interest rates rise, the value of existing fixed rate portfolio securities can be expected to decline. A fund with a longer average portfolio duration will be more sensitive to changes in interest rates than a fund with a shorter average portfolio duration. In addition, the interest rates of floating rate loans typically only adjust to changes in short-term interest rates; long-term interest rates can vary dramatically from short-term interest rates. However, the Trust will primarily invest in floating rate obligations, including Senior Loans, the rates on which periodically adjust with changes in market interest rates. Consequently, the Trust's exposure to

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fluctuations in interest rates will generally be limited to the time that the interest rates on the Senior Loans in its portfolio are reset. When interest rates decline, the value of fixed rate securities already held by the Trust can be expected to rise. Conversely, when interest rates rise, the value of existing fixed-rate portfolio securities can be expected to decline.

To the extent the Trust invests in fixed-rate debt securities with longer maturities, the Trust is subject to greater interest rate risk than funds investing solely in shorter-term fixed-rate debt securities. In addition, the interest rates of floating rate loans typically only adjust to changes in short-term interest rates; long-term interest rates can vary dramatically from short-term interest rates. In a period of rising interest rates, the higher cost of any leverage employed by the Trust and/or increasing defaults by issuers of high-yield securities would likely exacerbate any decline in the Trust's NAV. If an issuer of a debt security containing a redemption or call provision exercises either provision in a declining interest rate market, the Trust would likely replace the security with a security having a lower interest rate, which could result in a decreased return for shareholders. To the extent that changes in market rates of interest are reflected not in a change to a base rate (such as LIBOR) but in a change in the spread over the base rate, which is payable on loans of the type and quality in which the Trust invests, the Trust's NAV could be adversely affected. This is because the value of a Senior Loan is partially a function of whether the Senior Loan is paying what the market perceives to be a market rate of interest, given its individual credit and other characteristics. However, unlike changes in market rates of interest for which there is generally only a temporary lag before the portfolio reflects those changes, changes in a Senior Loan's value based on changes in the market spread on Senior Loans in the Trust's portfolio may be of longer duration.

On July 27, 2017, the head of the United Kingdom's Financial Conduct Authority announced a desire to phase out the use of LIBOR by the end of 2021. Due to this announcement, there remains uncertainty regarding the future utilization of LIBOR and the nature of any replacement rate. As such, the potential effect of a transition away from LIBOR on the Fund or the financial instruments in which the Fund invests cannot yet be determined.

Duration is a measure used to determine the sensitivity of a security's price to changes in interest rates that incorporates a security's yield, coupon, final maturity and call features, among other characteristics. Duration is useful primarily as a measure of the sensitivity of a fixed income security's market price to interest rate (i.e. yield) movements. All other things remaining equal, for each one percentage point increase in interest rates, the value of a portfolio of fixed income investments would generally be expected to decline by one percent for every year of the portfolio's average duration above zero. For example, the value of a portfolio of fixed income securities with an average duration of three years would generally be expected to decline by approximately 3% if interest rates rose by one percentage point.

The Trust will also be exposed to interest rate risk through the REIT Subsidiary's investments in securities such as preferred equity and debt securities. During periods of rising interest rates, the average life of certain types of securities may be extended because of slower than expected principal payments. This may lock in a below-market interest rate, increase the security's duration and reduce the value of the security. This is known as extension risk. During periods of declining interest rates, an issuer may be able to exercise an option to prepay principal earlier than scheduled, which is generally known as call risk or prepayment risk. If this occurs, the REIT Subsidiary may be forced to reinvest in lower yielding securities. This is known as reinvestment risk.

**Structured Finance Securities Risk.** A portion of the Trust's investments may consist of equipment trust certificates, collateralized mortgage obligations, collateralized bond obligations, collateralized loan obligations or similar instruments. Such structured finance securities are generally backed by an asset or a pool of assets, which serve as collateral. Depending on the type of security, the collateral may take the form of a portfolio of mortgage loans or bonds or other assets. The Trust and other investors in structured finance securities ultimately bear the credit risk of the underlying collateral. In some instances, the structured finance securities are issued in multiple tranches, offering investors various maturity and credit risk characteristics, often categorized as senior, mezzanine and subordinated/equity according to their degree of risk. The riskiest securities are the equity tranche, which bears the bulk of defaults from the bonds or loans serving as collateral, and thus may protect the



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other, more senior tranches from default. If there are defaults or the relevant collateral otherwise underperforms, scheduled payments to senior tranches of such securities take precedence over those of mezzanine tranches, and scheduled payments to mezzanine tranches take precedence over those to subordinated/equity tranches. A senior tranche typically has higher ratings and lower yields than the underlying securities, and may be rated investment grade. Despite the protection from the equity tranche, other tranches can experience substantial losses due to actual defaults, increased sensitivity to defaults due to previous defaults and the disappearance of protecting tranches, market anticipation of defaults and aversion to certain structured finance securities as a class.

**Leverage Risk** is the risk associated with the use of leverage for investment purposes to create opportunities for greater total returns. Any investment income or gains earned with respect to the amounts borrowed that are in excess of the interest that is due on the borrowing will augment the Trust's income. Conversely, if the investment performance with respect to the amounts borrowed fails to cover the interest on such borrowings, the value of the Trust's shares may decrease more quickly than would otherwise be the case. Interest payments and fees incurred in connection with such borrowings will reduce the amount of net income available for payment to Trust shareholders. Pursuant to regulations and/or published positions of the SEC, the Trust may be required to earmark liquid assets in an amount equal to the Trust's daily marked-to-market value of its transactions in futures and options. To maintain this required margin, the Trust may have to sell portfolio securities at disadvantageous prices or times because it may not be possible to liquidate a position at a reasonable price. In addition, the earmarking of such assets will have the effect of limiting the Trust's ability otherwise to invest those assets. The Trust has the ability to use leverage through the issuance of preferred shares, borrowings from a credit facility, issuing notes or other debt securities, or any combination of the three. The Trust currently leverages through borrowings made by HFRO Sub, LLC under the Financing Arrangement with BAML. As of May 31, 2019, HFRO Sub, LLC had drawn \$400 million under the Financing Arrangement and the Trust's asset coverage ratio was 340.42%.

The use of leverage, which can be described as exposure to changes in price at a ratio greater than the amount of equity invested, either through the issuance of preferred shares, borrowings or other forms of market exposure, magnifies both the favorable and unfavorable effects of price movements in the investments made by the Trust. Insofar as the Trust continues to employ leverage in its investment operations, the Trust will be subject to substantial risks of loss. Therefore, if the market value of the Trust's investment portfolio declines, any leverage will result in a greater decrease in net asset value to common shareholders than if the Trust were not leveraged. Such greater net asset value decrease will also tend to cause a greater decline in the market price for the common shares. Further, if at any time while the Trust has leverage outstanding it does not meet applicable asset coverage requirements (as discussed below), it may be required to suspend distributions to common shareholders until the requisite asset coverage is restored. Any such suspension might impair the ability of the Trust to meet the RIC distribution requirements and to avoid fund-level U.S. federal income or excise taxes. The Trust may borrow an amount up to 33 1/3% of its total assets (including the amount borrowed) and may use leverage in the form of preferred shares in an amount up to 50% of the Trust's total assets (including the amount borrowed). As provided in the 1940 Act and subject to certain exceptions, the Trust may issue debt or preferred shares with the condition that immediately after issuance the value of its total assets, less ordinary course liabilities, exceeds 300% of the amount of the debt outstanding and exceeds 200% of the sum of the amount of debt and preferred shares outstanding.

The costs associated with the Trust's use of leverage (including the issuance of such leverage and the payment of dividends or interest on such leverage, as well as the issuance of preferred shares) are borne by the holders of common shares and may consequently result in a reduction of the net asset value of common shares. During periods in which the Trust is using leverage, the fees paid to the Adviser for investment advisory services will be higher than if the Trust did not use leverage because the fees paid will be calculated on the basis of the Trust's gross assets, including proceeds from the issuance of preferred shares. In this regard, holders of preferred securities do not bear the investment advisory fee. Rather, holders of common shares bear the portion of the investment advisory fee attributable to the assets purchased with the proceeds, which means that common shareholders effectively bear the entire advisory fee.

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Capital raised through leverage will be subject to distribution and/or interest payments, which may exceed the income and appreciation of the assets purchased. The issuance of preferred shares involves offering expenses and other costs and may limit the Trust's freedom to pay distributions on common shares or to engage in other activities. The issuance of a class of preferred shares having priority over the common shares creates an opportunity for greater return per common share, but at the same time such leveraging is a speculative technique that will increase the Trust's exposure to capital risk. Such preferred shares may have priority over common shares with respect to dividends, which must be paid to preferred shareholders before any dividends can be paid to common shareholders. In addition, the issuance of preferred shares would dilute the level of ownership of holders of common shares and may decrease the returns per share of such common shareholders. Unless the income and appreciation, if any, on assets acquired with offering proceeds exceed the cost of issuing additional classes of securities (and other Trust expenses), the use of leverage will diminish the investment performance of the common shares compared with what it would have been without leverage.

**Preferred Share Risk:** Preferred share risk is the risk associated with the issuance of preferred shares to leverage the common shares. When preferred shares are issued, the NAV and market value of the common shares become more volatile, and the yield to the holders of common shares will tend to fluctuate with changes in the shorter-term dividend rates on the preferred shares. The Trust will pay (and the holders of common shares will bear) all costs and expenses relating to the issuance and ongoing maintenance of the preferred shares, including higher advisory fees. Accordingly, the issuance of preferred shares may not result in a higher yield or return to the holders of the common shares. If the dividend rate and other costs of the preferred shares approach the net rate of return on the Trust's investment portfolio, the benefit of leverage to the holders of the common shares would be reduced. If the dividend rate and other costs of the preferred shares exceed the net rate of return on the Trust's investment portfolio, the leverage will result in a lower rate of return to the holders of common shares than if the Trust had not issued preferred shares.

If preferred shares are issued, holders of preferred shares may have differing interests than holders of common shares and holders of preferred shares may at times have disproportionate influence over the Trust's affairs. If preferred shares are issued, holders of preferred shares, voting separately as a single class, would have the right to elect two members of the Board at all times. The remaining members of the Board would be elected by holders of common shares and preferred shares, voting as a single class. The 1940 Act requires that, in addition to any approval by shareholders that might otherwise be required, the approval of the holders of a majority of any outstanding preferred shares, voting separately as a class, would be required to (i) adopt any plan of reorganization that would adversely affect the preferred shares and (ii) take any action requiring a vote of security holders under Section 13(a) of the 1940 Act, including, among other things, changes in the Trust's subclassification as a closed-end investment company or changes in its fundamental investment restrictions.

If the Trust issues preferred shares, the Trust would likely seek a credit rating on the preferred shares from one or more nationally recognized statistical rating organizations. The Trust expects that, at any time when preferred shares were outstanding, the composition of its investment portfolio would reflect guidelines established by any rating agencies, including, for example, asset coverage requirements that are more restrictive than those under the 1940 Act, restrictions on certain portfolio investments and investment practices, requirements that the Trust maintain a portion of its assets in higher rated debt securities and certain mandatory redemption requirements relating to the preferred shares. No assurance can be given that the guidelines actually imposed with respect to preferred shares by rating agencies would be more or less restrictive than these examples. These restrictions may require the Trust to alter its investment strategy and invest in different types of assets, some of which may be lower yielding or result in fewer opportunities for capital appreciation. No minimum rating is required for the issuance of preferred shares by the Trust.

**High Yield Debt Securities Risk** is the risk that below investment grade securities or unrated securities of similar credit quality (commonly known as "high yield securities" or "junk securities") are more likely to default than higher rated securities. The Trust's ability to invest in high-yield debt securities generally subjects the Trust to greater risk than securities with higher ratings. The market value of these securities is generally more sensitive

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to corporate developments and economic conditions and can be volatile. Market conditions can diminish liquidity and make accurate valuations difficult to obtain. Below investment grade may be fixed or variable rate obligations and are rated below investment grade (Ba/BB or lower) by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization or are unrated but deemed by the Adviser to be of comparable quality. Such securities should be considered speculative with respect to capacity to pay interest and repay principal in accordance with the terms of the obligation. High-yield debt securities are frequently issued by corporations in the growth stage of their development, but also may be issued by established companies. High-yield securities held by the Trust may include securities received as a result of a corporate reorganization or issued as part of a corporate takeover. Below investment grade securities have greater credit and liquidity risk than more highly rated obligations and are generally unsecured and may be subordinate to other obligations of the obligor. The lower rating of high-yield securities reflects a greater possibility that adverse changes in the financial condition of the issuer or in general economic conditions (including, for example, a substantial period of rising interest rates or declining earnings) or both may impair the ability of the issuer to make payment of principal and interest. Many issuers of high-yield securities are highly leveraged and their relatively high debt to equity ratios create increased risks that their operations might not generate sufficient cash flow to service their obligations. Overall declines in the below investment grade bond market and other markets may adversely affect such issuers by inhibiting their ability to refinance their obligations at maturity. Investments in obligations of issuers that are generally trading at significantly higher yields than had been historically typical of the applicable issuer's obligations may include debt obligations that have a heightened probability of being in covenant or payment default in the future. Such investments generally are considered speculative. The repayment of defaulted obligations is subject to significant uncertainties. Defaulted obligations might be repaid only after lengthy workout or bankruptcy proceedings, during which the issuer might not make any interest or other payments. Typically such workout or bankruptcy proceedings result in only partial recovery of cash payments or an exchange of the defaulted security for other debt or equity securities of the issuer or its affiliates, which may in turn be illiquid or speculative. High-yield securities will be subject to certain additional risks to the extent that such obligations may be unsecured and subordinated to substantial amounts of senior indebtedness, all or a significant portion of which may be secured. Moreover, such obligations may not be protected by financial covenants or limitations upon additional indebtedness and are unlikely to be secured by collateral. There is no limit on the percentage of assets that the Trust may invest in Senior Loans and other securities that are rated below investment grade or that are unrated but of comparable quality. As of the date of this Prospectus, substantially all of the Trust's rated debt securities were rated "high yield" (or "junk").

**Distressed and Defaulted Securities Risk:** The Trust may invest in the securities of financially distressed and bankrupt issuers, including debt obligations that are in covenant or payment default. Such investments generally trade significantly below par and are considered speculative. The repayment of defaulted obligations is subject to significant uncertainties. Defaulted obligations might be repaid only after lengthy workout or bankruptcy proceedings, during which the issuer might not make any interest or other payments. Typically such workout or bankruptcy proceedings result in only partial recovery of cash payments or an exchange of the defaulted obligation for other debt or equity securities of the issuer or its affiliates, which may in turn be illiquid or speculative.

**Illiquid and Restricted Securities Risk:** Illiquid investments may be difficult to resell at approximately the price they are valued in the ordinary course of business within seven days. When investments cannot be sold readily at the desired time or price, the Trust may have to accept a much lower price, may not be able to sell the investment at all or may be forced to forego other investment opportunities, all of which may adversely impact the Trust's returns. Illiquid investments also may be subject to valuation risk. Restricted securities (including Rule 144A securities) may be subject to legal restraints on resale and, therefore, are typically less liquid than other securities. The prices received from selling restricted securities in privately negotiated transactions may be less than those originally paid by the Trust. Investors in restricted securities may not benefit from the same investor protections as publicly traded securities.

**Payment-in-Kind Securities Risk:** The risk that the value of payment-in-kind securities ("PIKs") held by the Trust may be more sensitive to fluctuations in interest rates than other securities. PIKs pay all or a portion of

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their interest or dividends in the form of additional securities. Federal tax law requires that the interest on PIK bonds be accrued as income to the Trust regardless of the fact that the Trust will not receive cash until such securities mature. Since the income must be distributed to shareholders, the Trust may be forced to liquidate other securities in order to make the required distribution. Additionally, the deferred nature of payments on PIKs creates specific risks.

Interest payments deferred on a PIK are subject to the risk that the borrower may default when the deferred payments are due in cash at the maturity of the loan. Further, the interest rates on PIKs are generally higher to reflect the time-value of money on deferred interest payments and the higher credit risk of borrowers who may need to defer interest payments. The values of PIKs may be less reliable because the accruals require judgments about ultimate collectability of the deferred payments and the value of the associated collateral. An election to defer PIK interest payments by adding them to principal increases the Trust's net assets (as income is generally distributed at least annually) and, thus, may increase future management fees to the Adviser. The deferral of interest on a PIK increases its loan-to-value ratio, which is a measure of the riskiness of a loan. Even if conditions for income accrual under GAAP are satisfied, a borrower could still default when actual payment is due upon maturity.

**Limited Information Risk** is the risk associated with the fact that the types of Senior Loans in which the Trust will invest historically may not have been rated by a NRSRO, have not been registered with the SEC or any state securities commission, and have not been listed on any national securities exchange. Although the Trust will generally have access to financial and other information made available to the Lenders in connection with Senior Loans, the amount of public information available with respect to Senior Loans will generally be less extensive than that available for rated, registered or exchange-listed securities. As a result, the performance of the Trust and its ability to meet its investment objective is more dependent on the analytical ability of the Adviser than would be the case for an investment company that invests primarily in rated, registered or exchange-listed securities.

**Valuation Risk:** Portfolio securities may be valued using techniques other than market quotations, under the circumstances described under "Determination of Net Asset Value." The value established for a portfolio security may be different than what would be produced through the use of another methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio securities that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including "fair valued" securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their value from one day to the next than would be the case if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Trust could sell a portfolio security for the value established for it at any time and it is possible that the Trust would incur a loss because a portfolio security is sold at a discount to its established value.

Fair value is defined as the amount for which assets could be sold in an orderly disposition over a reasonable period of time, taking into account the nature of the asset. Fair value pricing, however, involves judgments that are inherently subjective and inexact, since fair valuation procedures are used only when it is not possible to be sure what value should be attributed to a particular asset or when an event will affect the market price of an asset and to what extent. As a result, fair value pricing may not reflect actual market value, and it is possible that the fair value determined for a security will be materially different from the value that actually could be or is realized upon the sale of that asset.

**Non-Diversification Risk** is the risk that an investment in the Trust could fluctuate in value more than an investment in a diversified fund. As a non-diversified fund for purposes of the 1940 Act, the Trust may invest a larger portion of its assets in the securities of fewer issuers than a diversified fund. The Trust's investment in fewer issuers may result in the Trust's shares being more sensitive to the economic results of those issuers. An investment in the Trust could fluctuate in value more than an investment in a diversified fund.

**Securities Market Risk** is the risk that the value of securities owned by the Trust may go up or down, sometimes rapidly or unpredictably, due to factors affecting particular companies or the securities markets generally. A general downturn in the securities market may cause multiple asset classes to decline in value simultaneously. Many factors can affect this value and you may lose money by investing in the Trust.

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**Preferred Equity Risk.** Preferred equity investments may have similar risks to subordinated debt. The Trust may, through the REIT Subsidiary, make preferred equity investments in companies that own or acquire properties. These investments may involve special risks relating to the particular issuer of the securities, including the financial condition and business outlook of the issuer. Issuers of preferred equity generally will invest in real estate or real estate-related assets and are subject to the inherent risks associated with real estate-related investments, including risks related to rising interest rates.

Preferred equity securities may be unsecured and also may be subordinated to other obligations of the issuer, including debt. As a result, investments in preferred equity are subject to risks of (i) limited liquidity in the secondary trading market in the case of unlisted or lightly traded securities, (ii) substantial market price volatility in the case of traded preferred equity securities, (iii) subordination to the prior claims of banks and other lenders to the issuer, (iv) the operation of mandatory sinking fund or call/repurchase provisions that could cause the value of the Trust's investment to decline, (v) the possibility that earnings of the issuer may be insufficient to meet its debt service to lenders and distribution obligations to holders of the preferred equity, including the Trust, and (vi) the declining creditworthiness and potential for insolvency of the issuer. These risks may adversely affect the value of the REIT Subsidiary's investments in preferred equity securities.

**Mezzanine Debt Risk.** The Trust's assets may include mezzanine loans. Structurally, mezzanine loans usually rank subordinate in priority of payment to senior debt, such as senior bank debt, and are often unsecured. However, mezzanine loans rank senior to common and preferred equity in a borrower's capital structure. Mezzanine debt is often used in leveraged buyout and real estate finance transactions. Typically, mezzanine loans have elements of both debt and equity instruments, offering the fixed returns in the form of interest payments associated with senior debt, while providing lenders an opportunity to participate in the capital appreciation of a borrower, if any, through an equity interest. This equity interest typically takes the form of warrants. Due to their higher risk profile and often less restrictive covenants as compared to senior loans, mezzanine loans generally earn a higher return than senior secured loans. The warrants associated with mezzanine loans are typically detachable, which allows lenders to receive repayment of their principal on an agreed amortization schedule while retaining their equity interest in the borrower. Mezzanine loans also may include a "put" feature, which permits the holder to sell its equity interest back to the borrower at a price determined through an agreed-upon formula. The Trust believes that mezzanine loans offer an alternative investment opportunity based upon their historical returns and resilience during economic downturns.

**Convertible Securities Risk:** Convertible securities generally offer lower interest or dividend yields than non-convertible securities of similar quality. Because convertible securities are higher in an issuer's capital structure than equity securities, convertible securities are generally not as risky as the equity securities of the same issuer. However, convertible securities may gain or lose value due to changes in, among other things, interest rates; other general economic conditions; industry fundamentals; market sentiment; and the issuer's operating results, financial statements and credit ratings. The value of convertible securities also tends to change whenever the market value of the underlying common or preferred stock fluctuates.

**Equity Securities Risk** is the risk that stock prices will fall over short or long periods of time. In addition, common stocks represent a share of ownership in a company, and rank after bonds and preferred stock in their claim on the company's assets in the event of bankruptcy. The market prices of equity securities owned by the Trust may go up or down, sometimes rapidly or unpredictably. The value of a security may decline for a number of reasons that may directly relate to the issuer, such as management performance, fundamental changes to the business, financial leverage, non-compliance with regulatory requirements and reduced demand for the issuer's goods or services. The values of equity securities also may decline due to general market conditions that are not specifically related to a particular company, such as real or perceived adverse economic conditions, changes in the general outlook for corporate earnings, changes in interest or currency rates or adverse investor sentiment generally. Certain equity securities may decline in value even during periods when the prices of equity securities in general are rising, or may not perform as well as the market in general. In addition to these risks, preferred stock and convertible securities are also subject to the risk that issuers will not make payments on securities held

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by the Trust, which could result in losses to the Trust. The credit quality of preferred stock and convertible securities held by the Trust may be lowered if an issuer's financial condition changes, leading to greater volatility in the price of the security. In addition, a company's preferred stock generally pays dividends only after the company makes required payments to holders of its bonds and other debt. For this reason, the value of preferred stock will usually react more strongly than bonds and other debt to actual or perceived changes in the company's financial condition or prospects. The market value of convertible securities also tends to fall when prevailing interest rates rise.

**Undervalued Stocks Risk:** Undervalued stocks include stocks that the Adviser believes are undervalued and/or are temporarily out of favor in the market. An undervalued stock may decrease in price or may not increase in price as anticipated by the Adviser if other investors fail to recognize the company's value or the factors that the Adviser believes will cause the stock price to increase do not occur.

**Derivatives Risk** is a combination of several risks, including the risks that: (1) an investment in a derivative instrument may not correlate well with the performance of the securities or asset class to which the Trust seeks exposure, (2) derivative contracts, including options, may expire worthless and the use of derivatives may result in losses to the Trust, (3) a derivative instrument entailing leverage may result in a loss greater than the principal amount invested, (4) derivatives not traded on an exchange may be subject to credit risk, for example, if the counterparty does not meet its obligations (see also "Counterparty Risk"), and (5) derivatives not traded on an exchange may be subject to liquidity risk and the related risk that the instrument is difficult or impossible to value accurately. Derivatives are financial contracts whose value depends on, or is derived from, the value of underlying assets, reference rates, or indices. Derivatives involve the risk that changes in their value may not move as expected relative to the value of the assets, rates, or indices they are designed to track. Derivatives include futures, non-U.S. currency contracts, swap contracts, warrants, and options contracts. Derivatives may relate to securities, interest rates, currencies or currency exchange rates, inflation rates, commodities, and indices. As a general matter, when the Trust establishes certain derivative instrument positions, such as certain futures, options and forward contract positions, it will segregate liquid assets (such as cash, U.S. Treasury bonds or commercial paper) equivalent to the Trust's outstanding obligations under the contract or in connection with the position. In addition, changes in laws or regulations may make the use of derivatives more costly, may limit the availability of derivatives, or may otherwise adversely affect the use, value or performance of derivatives. There are several risks associated with derivatives transactions. The use of derivatives involves risks that are in addition to, and potentially greater than, the risks of investing directly in securities and other more traditional assets. A decision as to whether, when and how to use derivatives involves the exercise of skill and judgment, and even a well conceived transaction may be unsuccessful to some degree because of market behavior or unexpected events. The use of derivative transactions may result in losses greater than if they had not been used, may require the Trust to sell or purchase portfolio securities at inopportune times or for prices other than current market values, may limit the amount of appreciation the Trust can realize on an investment or may cause the Trust to hold a security that it might otherwise sell. The Trust may enter into credit derivatives, such as credit default swaps and credit default index investments, including loan credit default swaps and loan credit default index swaps. The use by the Trust of credit default swaps may have the effect of creating a short position in a security. These investments can create investment leverage and may create additional investment risks that may subject the Trust to greater volatility than investments in more traditional securities. Derivative contracts may expire worthless.

The Trust may invest in derivatives with a limited number of counterparties, and events affecting the creditworthiness of any of those counterparties may have a pronounced effect on the Trust. Derivatives risk is particularly acute in environments (like those of 2008) in which financial services firms are exposed to systemic risks of the type evidenced by the insolvency of Lehman Brothers and subsequent market disruptions. In addition, during those periods, the Trust may have a greater need for cash to provide collateral for large swings in its mark-to-market obligations under the derivatives in which it has invested.

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The Trust's use of derivatives may not be effective or have the desired results. Moreover, suitable derivatives will not be available in all circumstances. For example, the economic costs of taking some derivative positions may be prohibitive, and if a counterparty or its affiliate is deemed to be an affiliate of the Trust, the Trust will not be permitted to trade with that counterparty. In addition, the Adviser may decide not to use derivatives to hedge or otherwise reduce the Trust's risk exposures, potentially resulting in losses for the Trust.

Swap contracts and other over-the-counter ("OTC") derivatives are highly susceptible to liquidity risk (see "Illiquid and Restricted Securities Risk") and counterparty risk (see "Counterparty Risk"), and are subject to documentation risks. Because many derivatives have a leverage component (*i.e.*, a notional value in excess of the assets needed to establish and/or maintain the derivative position), adverse changes in the value or level of the underlying asset, rate or index may result in a loss substantially greater than the amount invested in the derivative itself. See "Principal Risks—Leverage Risk" below.

Derivatives also present other risks described in this section, including securities market risk, illiquid and restricted securities risk, currency risk, credit risk, and counterparty risk. Special tax considerations apply to the Trust's use of derivatives. See the "Taxation" section below.

As a general matter, when the Trust establishes certain derivative instrument positions, such as certain futures, options and forward contract positions, it will segregate liquid assets (such as cash, U.S. Treasury bonds or commercial paper) equivalent to the Trust's outstanding obligations under the contract or in connection with the position.

Under recently adopted rules and regulations, transactions in some types of swaps (including interest rate swaps and credit default swaps on North American and European indices) are required to be centrally cleared. In a transaction involving those swaps ("cleared derivatives"), the Trust's counterparty is a clearing house, rather than a bank or broker. Since the Trust is not a member of clearing houses and only members of a clearing house ("clearing members") can participate directly in the clearing house, the Trust will hold cleared derivatives through accounts at clearing members. In cleared derivatives transactions, the Trust will make payments (including margin payments) to and receive payments from a clearing house through their accounts at clearing members. Clearing members guarantee performance of their clients' obligations to the clearing house.

In many ways, cleared derivative arrangements are less favorable to mutual funds than bilateral arrangements. For example, the Trust may be required to provide more margin for cleared derivatives transactions than for bilateral derivatives transactions. Also, in contrast to a bilateral derivatives transaction, following a period of notice to the Trust, a clearing member generally can require termination of an existing cleared derivatives transaction at any time or an increase in margin requirements above the margin that the clearing member required at the beginning of a transaction. Clearing houses also have broad rights to increase margin requirements for existing transactions or to terminate those transactions at any time. Any increase in margin requirements or termination of existing cleared derivatives transactions by the clearing member or the clearing house could interfere with the ability of the Trust to pursue its investment strategy. Further, any increase in margin requirements by a clearing member could expose the Trust to greater credit risk to its clearing member, because margin for cleared derivatives transactions in excess of a clearing house's margin requirements typically is held by the clearing member. Also, the Trust is subject to risk if it enters into a derivatives transaction that is required to be cleared (or that the Adviser expects to be cleared), and no clearing member is willing or able to clear the transaction on the Trust's behalf. In those cases, the transaction might have to be terminated, and the Trust could lose some or all of the benefit of the transaction, including loss of an increase in the value of the transaction and/or loss of hedging protection. In addition, the documentation governing the relationship between the Trust and clearing members is drafted by the clearing members and generally is less favorable to the Trust than typical bilateral derivatives documentation. For example, documentation relating to cleared derivatives generally includes a one-way indemnity by the Trust in favor of the clearing member for losses the clearing member incurs as the Trust's clearing member and typically does not provide the Trust any remedies if the clearing member defaults or becomes insolvent. While futures contracts entail similar risks, the risks likely are more pronounced for cleared swaps due to their more limited liquidity and market history.

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Some types of cleared derivatives are required to be executed on an exchange or on a swap execution facility. A swap execution facility is a trading platform where multiple market participants can execute derivatives by accepting bids and offers made by multiple other participants in the platform. While this execution requirement is designed to increase transparency and liquidity in the cleared derivatives market, trading on a swap execution facility can create additional costs and risks for the Trust. For example, swap execution facilities typically charge fees, and if the Trust executes derivatives on a swap execution facility through a broker intermediary, the intermediary may impose fees as well. Also, the Trust may indemnify a swap execution facility, or a broker intermediary who executes cleared derivatives on a swap execution facility on the Trust's behalf, against any losses or costs that may be incurred as a result of the Trust's transactions on the swap execution facility.

These and other new rules and regulations could, among other things, further restrict the Trust's ability to engage in, or increase the cost to the Trust of, derivatives transactions, for example, by making some types of derivatives no longer available to the Trust, increasing margin or capital requirements, or otherwise limiting liquidity or increasing transaction costs. These regulations are new and evolving, so their potential impact on the Trust and the financial system are not yet known. While the new regulations and central clearing of some derivatives transactions are designed to reduce systemic risk (i.e., the risk that the interdependence of large derivatives dealers could cause them to suffer liquidity, solvency or other challenges simultaneously), there is no assurance that the new clearing mechanisms will achieve that result, and in the meantime, as noted above, central clearing and related requirements expose the Trust to new kinds of risks and costs. In addition, the SEC recently proposed a rule under the 1940 Act regulating the use by registered investment companies of derivatives and many related instruments. That rule, if adopted as proposed, would, among other things, restrict the Trust's ability to engage in derivatives transactions or so increase the cost of derivatives transactions that the Trust would be unable to implement its investment strategy.

**Hedging Risk** is the risk that, although intended to limit or reduce investment risk, hedging strategies may also limit or reduce the potential for profit. There is no assurance that hedging strategies will be successful. There are several risks in connection with the use by the Trust of futures contracts and related options as a hedging device. One risk arises because of the imperfect correlation between movements in the prices of the futures contracts and options and movements in the underlying securities or index or movements in the prices of the Trust's securities which are the subject of a hedge. The Adviser will, however, attempt to reduce this risk by purchasing and selling, to the extent possible, futures contracts and related options on securities and indices the movements of which will, in its judgment, correlate closely with movements in the prices of the underlying securities or index and the Trust's portfolio securities sought to be hedged. Successful use of futures contracts and options by the Trust for hedging purposes is also subject to the Adviser's ability to predict correctly movements in the direction of the market. It is possible that, where the Trust has purchased puts on futures contracts to hedge its portfolio against a decline in the market, the securities or index on which the puts are purchased may increase in value and the value of securities held in the portfolio may decline. If this occurred, the Trust would lose money on the puts and also experience a decline in the value of its portfolio securities. In addition, the prices of futures, for a number of reasons, may not correlate perfectly with movements in the underlying securities or index due to certain market distortions. First, all participants in the futures market are subject to margin deposit requirements. Such requirements may cause investors to close futures contracts through offsetting transactions which could distort the normal relationship between the underlying security or index and futures markets. Second, the margin requirements in the futures markets are less onerous than margin requirements in the securities markets in general, and as a result the futures markets may attract more speculators than the securities markets do. Increased participation by speculators in the futures markets may also cause temporary price distortions. Due to the possibility of price distortion, even a correct forecast of general market trends by the Adviser still may not result in a successful hedging transaction over a very short time period. In addition, to maintain margin requirements, the Trust may have to sell portfolio securities at disadvantageous prices or times because it may not be possible to liquidate a position at a reasonable price. The earmarking of such assets also will have the effect of limiting the Trust's ability otherwise to invest those assets. Special tax considerations apply to the Trust's hedging transactions.



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**Options Risk** is the risk associated with investments in options. Options, such as covered calls and covered puts, are subject to the risk that significant differences between the securities and options markets could result in an imperfect correlation between these markets.

**Swaps Risk** involves both the risks associated with an investment in the underlying investments or instruments (including equity investments) and counterparty risk. In a standard over-the-counter (“OTC”) swap transaction, two parties agree to exchange the returns, differentials in rates of return or some other amount calculated based on the “notional amount” of predetermined investments or instruments, which may be adjusted for an interest factor. Swaps can involve greater risks than direct investments in securities, because swaps may be leveraged and OTC swaps are subject to counterparty risk (e.g., the risk of a counterparty’s defaulting on the obligation or bankruptcy), credit risk and pricing risk (i.e., swaps may be difficult to value). Swaps may also be considered illiquid. Certain swap transactions, including interest rate swaps and index credit default swaps, may be subject to mandatory clearing and exchange trading, although the swaps in which the Trust will invest are not currently subject to mandatory clearing and exchange trading. The use of swaps is a highly specialized activity which involves investment techniques, risk analyses and tax planning different from those associated with ordinary portfolio securities transactions. The value of swaps, like many other derivatives, may move in unexpected ways and may result in losses for the Trust.

**Swaps Risk:** The use of swaps is a highly specialized activity which involves investment techniques, risk analyses and tax planning different from those associated with ordinary portfolio securities transactions. These transactions can result in sizeable realized and unrealized capital gains and losses relative to the gains and losses from the Trust’s direct investments in securities.

Transactions in swaps can involve greater risks than if the Trust had invested in the reference assets directly since, in addition to general market risks, swaps may be leveraged and are also subject to illiquidity risk, counterparty risk, credit risk and pricing risk. However, certain risks may be reduced (but not eliminated) if the Trust invests in cleared swaps. Regulators also may impose limits on an entity’s or group of entities’ positions in certain swaps. Because bilateral swap agreements are two party contracts and because they may have terms of greater than seven days, these swaps may be considered to be illiquid. Moreover, the Trust bears the risk of loss of the amount expected to be received under a swap in the event of the default or bankruptcy of a swap counterparty. Many swaps are complex and valued subjectively. Swaps and other derivatives may also be subject to pricing or “basis” risk, which exists when the price of a particular derivative diverges from the price of corresponding cash market instruments. Under certain market conditions it may not be economically feasible to initiate a transaction or liquidate a position in time to avoid a loss or take advantage of an opportunity. If a swap transaction is particularly large or if the relevant market is illiquid, it may not be possible to initiate a transaction or liquidate a position at an advantageous time or price, which may result in significant losses.

The value of swaps can be very volatile, and a variance in the degree of volatility or in the direction of securities prices from the Adviser’s expectations may produce significant losses in the Trust’s investments in swaps. In addition, a perfect correlation between a swap and a reference asset may be impossible to achieve. As a result, the Adviser’s use of swaps may not be effective in fulfilling the Adviser’s investment strategies and may contribute to losses that would not have been incurred otherwise.

**Short Sales Risk** is the risk of loss associated with any appreciation on the price of a security borrowed in connection with a short sale. The Trust may engage in short sales that are not made “against-the-box,” which means that the Trust may sell short securities even when they are not actually owned or otherwise covered at all times during the period the short position is open. Short sales that are not made “against-the-box” involve unlimited loss potential since the market price of securities sold short may continuously increase. When the Trust engages in a short sale on a security, it must borrow the security sold short and deliver it to the counterparty. The Trust will ordinarily have to pay a fee or premium to borrow particular securities and be obligated to repay the lender of the security any dividends or interest that accrue on the security during the period of the loan. The amount of any gain from a short sale will be decreased, and the amount of any loss increased, by the amount of

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the premium, dividends, interest or expenses the Trust pays in connection with the short sale. Short selling allows the Trust to profit from declines in market prices to the extent such decline exceeds the transaction costs and the costs of borrowing the securities. However, since the borrowed securities must be replaced by purchases at market prices in order to close out the short position, any appreciation in the price of the borrowed securities would result in a loss. Purchasing securities to close out the short position can itself cause the price of the securities to rise further, thereby exacerbating the loss. The Trust may mitigate such losses by replacing the securities sold short before the market price has increased significantly. Under adverse market conditions, the Trust might have difficulty purchasing securities to meet their short sale delivery obligations, and might have to sell portfolio securities to raise the capital necessary to meet their short sale obligations at a time when fundamental investment considerations would not favor such sales. See “Taxation” below for special tax considerations associated with engaging in short sales.

**Securities Lending Risk:** The Trust will continue to receive interest on any securities loaned while simultaneously earning interest on the investment of the cash collateral in short-term money market instruments. However, the Trust will normally pay lending fees to broker-dealers and related expenses from the interest earned on such invested collateral. Any decline in the value of a portfolio security that occurs while the security is out on loan is borne by the Trust, and will adversely affect performance. There may be risks of delay in receiving additional collateral or risks of delay in recovery of the securities, loss of rights in the collateral should the borrower of the securities fail financially and possible investment losses in the investment of collateral. Any loan may be terminated by either party upon reasonable notice to the other party.

**Liquidity Risk** is the risk that low trading volume, lack of a market maker, large position size, or legal restrictions (including daily price fluctuation limits or “circuit breakers”) limits or prevents the Trust from selling particular securities or unwinding derivative positions at desirable prices. At times, a major portion of any portfolio security may be held by relatively few institutional purchasers. Even if the Trust considers such securities liquid because of the availability of an institutional market, such securities may become difficult to value or sell in adverse market or economic conditions. Because loan transactions often take longer to settle than transactions in other securities, the Trust may not receive the proceeds from the sale of a loan for a significant period of time.

**Counterparty Risk** is the risk that a counterparty (the other party to a transaction or an agreement or the party with whom the Trust executes transactions) to a transaction with the Trust may be unable or unwilling to make timely principal, interest or settlement payments, or otherwise honor its obligations. In an attempt to limit the counterparty risk associated with such transactions, the Trust conducts business only with financial institutions judged by the Adviser to present acceptable credit risk. For example, repurchase agreements are loans of money or arrangements under which the Trust purchases securities and the seller agrees to repurchase the securities within a specific time and at a specific price. The repurchase price is generally higher than the Trust’s purchase price, with the difference being income to the Trust. The counterparty’s obligations under the repurchase agreement are collateralized with U.S. Treasury and/or agency obligations with a market value of not less than 100% of the obligations, valued daily. Collateral is held by the Trust’s custodian in a segregated, safekeeping account for the benefit of the Trust. Repurchase agreements afford the Trust an opportunity to earn income at low risk on temporarily available cash. If bankruptcy or insolvency proceedings commence with respect to the seller of the securities before repurchase of the securities under a repurchase agreement, the Trust may encounter delays and incur costs before being able to sell the securities. Such a delay may involve loss of interest or a decline in price of the securities. If a court characterizes the transaction as a loan and the Trust has not perfected a security interest in the securities, the Trust may be required to return the securities to the seller’s estate and be treated as an unsecured creditor of the seller. As an unsecured creditor, the Trust would be at risk of losing some or all of the principal and interest involved in the transaction.

**Non-U.S. Securities Risk** is the risk associated with investing in non-U.S. issuers. Investments in securities of non-U.S. issuers involve certain risks not involved in domestic investments (for example, fluctuations in foreign exchange rates (for non-U.S. securities not denominated in U.S. dollars); future foreign economic,

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financial, political and social developments; nationalization; exploration or confiscatory taxation; smaller markets; different trading and settlement practices; less governmental supervision; and different accounting, auditing and financial recordkeeping standards and requirements) that may result in the Trust experiencing more rapid and extreme changes in value than a fund that invests exclusively in securities of U.S. companies. These risks are magnified for investments in issuers tied economically to emerging markets, the economies of which tend to be more volatile than the economies of developed markets. In addition, certain investments in non-U.S. securities may be subject to foreign withholding and other taxes on interest, dividends, capital gains or other income or proceeds. Those taxes will reduce the Trust's yield on any such securities. See the "Taxation" section below.

**Management Risk** is the risk associated with the fact that the Trust relies on the Adviser's ability to achieve its investment objective. The Adviser may be incorrect in its assessment of the intrinsic value of the companies whose securities the Trust holds, which may result in a decline in the value of Trust shares and failure to achieve its investment objective. The Trust's portfolio managers use qualitative analyses and/or models. Any imperfections or limitations in such analyses and models could affect the ability of the portfolio managers to implement strategies.

**Operational and Technology Risk** is the risk that cyber-attacks, disruptions, or failures that affect the Trust's service providers, counterparties, market participants, or issuers of securities held by the Trust may adversely affect the Trust and its shareholders, including by causing losses for the Trust or impairing Trust operations.

**Regulatory Risk** is the risk that to the extent that legislation or state or federal regulators impose additional requirements or restrictions with respect to the ability of financial institutions to make loans in connection with highly leveraged transactions, the availability of loan interests for investment by the Trust may be adversely affected. To the extent that legislation or state or federal regulators impose additional requirements or restrictions with respect to the ability of the Trust to invest in the assets of distressed companies, the availability of distressed company interests for investment by the Trust may be adversely affected. In addition, such requirements or restrictions may reduce or eliminate sources of financing for affected Borrowers. Further, to the extent that legislation or federal or state regulators require such institutions to dispose of Senior Loan interests relating to highly leveraged transactions or subject such Senior Loan interests to increased regulatory scrutiny, such financial institutions may determine to sell Senior Loan interests in a manner that results in a price that, in the opinion of the Adviser, is not indicative of fair value. Were the Trust to attempt to sell a Senior Loan interest at a time when a financial institution was engaging in such a sale with respect to the Senior Loan interest, the price at which the Trust could consummate such a sale might be adversely affected.

Legal, tax and regulatory changes could occur and may adversely affect the Trust and their ability to pursue its investment strategies and/or increase the costs of implementing such strategies. New (or revised) laws or regulations may be imposed by the CFTC, the SEC, the IRS, the U.S. Federal Reserve or other banking regulators, other governmental regulatory authorities or self-regulatory organizations that supervise the financial markets that could adversely affect the Trust. In particular, these agencies are empowered to promulgate a variety of new rules pursuant to financial reform legislation in the United States. The Trust also may be adversely affected by changes in the enforcement or interpretation of existing statutes and rules by these governmental regulatory authorities or self-regulatory organizations.

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The Trust is a party to contractual arrangements with various parties, including, among others, the Trust's investment adviser, administrator, distributor, and shareholder servicing agent, who provide services to the Trust. Shareholders are not parties to, or intended ("third party") beneficiaries of, any such contractual arrangements, and such contractual arrangements are not intended to create in any individual shareholder or group of shareholders any right to enforce them against the service providers or to seek any remedy under them against the service providers, either directly or on behalf of the Trust.

Neither this Prospectus, nor the related Statement of Additional Information, is intended, or should be read, to be or to give rise to an agreement or contract between the Trust and any investor, or to give rise to any rights in any shareholder or other person other than any rights under federal or state law that may not be waived.

**TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS**

The Board has overall management responsibility for the Trust, Highland Global Allocation Fund and each series of Highland Funds I and Highland Funds II. See "Management of the Trust" in the SAI for the names of and other information about the Trustees and officers of the Trust. The Board also has overall management responsibility for funds advised by NexPoint Advisors, L.P., including NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund, NexPoint Capital, Inc. (a closed-end management investment company that has elected to be treated as a business development company under the 1940 Act) and the following registered closed-end funds that operate as interval funds: NexPoint Real Estate Strategies Fund, NexPoint Healthcare Opportunities Fund and NexPoint Latin American Opportunities Fund. NexPoint Advisors, L.P. is an affiliate of Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P.

**INVESTMENT ADVISER**

Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P. ("HCMFA" or the "Adviser") serves as investment adviser to the Trust. The address of the Adviser is 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201. Organized in February 2009, HCMFA is registered as an investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended. As of March 31, 2019, HCMFA had approximately \$3.3 billion in assets under management. HCMFA is also the Trust's administrator. HCMFA is owned by Highland Capital Management Services, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("HCM Services") and its general partner, Strand Advisors XVI, Inc., of which James Dondero is the sole stockholder. HCM Services is controlled by Mr. Dondero and Mr. Mark Okada by virtue of their respective share ownership.

*Responsibilities.* The Adviser provides the following services to the Trust: (i) furnishes an investment program for the Trust; (ii) determines, subject to the overall supervision and review of the Board, the investments to be purchased, held, sold or exchanged by the Trust and the portion, if any, of the assets of the Trust to be held uninvested; (iii) makes changes in the investments of the Trust; and (iv) votes, exercises consents, and exercises all other rights pertaining to such investments. Subject to the foregoing, the Adviser will have the authority to engage one or more sub-advisers in connection with the portfolio management of the Trust, which sub-advisers may be affiliates of the Adviser; provided, however, that the Adviser shall remain responsible to the Trust with respect to its duties and obligations set forth in the investment advisory agreement.

*Compensation.* The Trust has entered into an investment advisory agreement with HCMFA (each, an "Investment Advisory Agreement") pursuant to which HCMFA provides the day-to-day management of the Trust's portfolio of securities, which includes buying and selling securities for the Trust and conducting investment research. In return for its advisory services, the Trust pays the Adviser a monthly fee of 0.65%, computed and accrued daily, based on an annual rate of the Trust's average daily managed assets. "Average Daily Managed Assets" of the Trust shall mean the average daily value of the total assets of the Trust, less all accrued liabilities of the Trust (other than the aggregate amount of any outstanding borrowings constituting

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financial leverage). In addition to the advisory fees set forth above, the Adviser is entitled to receive administration fees of 0.20% of the Trust's Average Daily Managed Assets.

A discussion regarding the basis for the Board's approval of the Investment Advisory Agreement for the Trust appears in the Trust's annual reports to shareholders for the period ended December 31, 2018.

*Potential Conflicts of Interest.* The Adviser and/or its general partner, limited partners, officers, affiliates and employees provide investment advice to other parties and manage other accounts and private investment vehicles similar to the Trust. For the purposes of this section, the term "Highland" shall include the Adviser and its affiliated investment advisors, including Highland Capital Management, L.P. and its affiliates. In connection with such other investment management activities, the Adviser and/or its general partner, limited partners, officers, affiliates and employees may decide to invest the funds of one or more other accounts or recommend the investment of funds by other parties, rather than the Trust's monies, in a particular security or strategy. In addition, the Adviser and such other persons will determine the allocation of funds from the Trust and such other accounts to investment strategies and techniques on whatever basis they consider appropriate or desirable in their sole and absolute discretion.

The Adviser has built a professional working environment, a firm-wide compliance culture and compliance procedures and systems designed to protect against potential incentives that may favor one account over another. The Adviser has adopted policies and procedures that address the allocation of investment opportunities, execution of portfolio transactions, personal trading by employees and other potential conflicts of interest that are designed to ensure that all client accounts are treated equitably over time. Nevertheless, the Adviser furnishes advisory services to numerous clients in addition to the Trust, and the Adviser may, consistent with applicable law, make investment recommendations to other clients or accounts (including accounts that have performance or higher fees paid to the Adviser or in which portfolio managers have a personal interest in the receipt of such fees) that may be the same as or different from those made to the Trust. In addition, the Adviser, its affiliates and any of their partners, directors, officers, stockholders or employees may or may not have an interest in the securities whose purchase and sale the Adviser recommends to the Trust. Actions with respect to securities of the same kind may be the same as or different from the action that the Adviser, or any of its affiliates, or any of their partners, directors, officers, stockholders or employees or any member of their families may take with respect to the same securities. Moreover, the Adviser may refrain from rendering any advice or services concerning securities of companies of which any of the Adviser's (or its affiliates') partners, directors, officers or employees are directors or officers, or companies as to which the Adviser or any of its affiliates or partners, directors, officers and employees of any of them has any substantial economic interest or possesses material non-public information. In addition to its various policies and procedures designed to address these issues, the Adviser includes disclosure regarding these matters to its clients in both its Form ADV and investment advisory agreements.

The Adviser, its affiliates or their partners, directors, officers or employees similarly serve or may serve other entities that operate in the same or related lines of business, including accounts managed by an investment adviser affiliated with the Adviser. Accordingly, these individuals may have obligations to investors in those entities or funds or to other clients, the fulfillment of which might not be in the best interests of the Trust. As a result, the Adviser will face conflicts in the allocation of investment opportunities to the Trust and other funds and clients. In order to enable such affiliates to fulfill their fiduciary duties to each of the clients for which they have responsibility, the Adviser will endeavor to allocate investment opportunities in a fair and equitable manner, pursuant to policies and procedures adopted by the Adviser and its advisory affiliates that are designed to manage potential conflicts of interest, which may, subject to applicable regulatory constraints, involve pro rata co-investment by the Trust and such other clients or may involve a rotation of opportunities among the Trust and such other clients. The Trust will only make investments in which the Adviser or an affiliate hold an interest to the extent permitted under the 1940 Act and SEC staff interpretations or pursuant to the terms and conditions of the exemptive order received by certain advisers and funds affiliated with the Trust, dated April 19, 2016. For example, exemptive relief is not required for the Trust to invest in syndicated deals and secondary loan market

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transactions in which the Adviser or an affiliate has an interest where price is the only negotiated point. The order applies to all “Investment Companies,” which includes future closed-end investment companies registered under the 1940 Act that are managed by affiliated advisers, which includes the Trust. The Trust, therefore, may in the future invest in accordance with the terms and conditions of the exemptive order. To mitigate any actual or perceived conflicts of interest, allocation of limited offering securities (such as IPOs and registered secondary offerings) to principal accounts that do not include third party investors may only be made after all other client account orders for the security have been filled. However, there can be no assurance that such policies and procedures will in every case ensure fair and equitable allocations of investment opportunities, particularly when considered in hindsight.

Conflicts may arise in cases when clients and/or the Adviser and other affiliated entities invest in different parts of an issuer’s capital structure, including circumstances in which one or more clients own private securities or obligations of an issuer and other clients may own public securities of the same issuer. In addition, one or more clients may invest in securities, or other financial instruments, of an issuer that are senior or junior to securities, or financial instruments, of the same issuer that are held by or acquired for, one or more other clients. For example, if such issuer encounters financial problems, decisions related to such securities (such as over the terms of any workout or proposed waivers and amendments to debt covenants) may raise conflicts of interests. In such a distressed situation, a client holding debt securities of the issuer may be better served by a liquidation of the issuer in which it may be paid in full, whereas a client holding equity securities of the issuer might prefer a reorganization that holds the potential to create value for the equity holders. In the event of conflicting interests within an issuer’s capital structure, Highland will generally pursue the strategy that Highland believes best reflects what would be expected to be negotiated in an arm’s length transaction, but in all instances with due consideration being given to Highland’s fiduciary duties to each of its accounts (without regard to the nature of the accounts involved or fees received from such accounts). This strategy may be recommended by one or more Highland investment professionals. A single person may represent more than one part of an issuer’s capital structure. The recommended course of action will be presented to the conflicts committee for final determination as to how to proceed, Highland may elect, but is not required, to assign different teams to make recommendations for different parts of the capital structure as the conflicts committee determines in its discretion. In the event any Highland personnel serve on the board of the subject company, they generally recuse themselves from voting on any board matter with respect to a transaction that has an asymmetrical impact on the capital structure. Highland personnel board members may still make recommendations to the conflicts committee. If any such persons are also on the conflicts committee, they may recuse themselves from the committee’s determination. A Portfolio Manager with respect to any applicable Highland registered investment company clients (“Retail Accounts”) participates in such discussions, but makes an independent determination as to which course of action he or she determines is in the best interest of the applicable Retail Accounts. Highland may use external counsel for guidance and assistance.

The Adviser and its affiliates have both subjective and objective procedures and policies in place designed to manage potential conflicts of interest involving clients so that, for example, investment opportunities are allocated in a fair and equitable manner among the Trust and such other clients. An investment opportunity that is suitable for multiple clients of the Adviser and its affiliates may not be capable of being shared among some or all of such clients due to the limited scale of the opportunity or other factors, including regulatory restrictions imposed by the 1940 Act. There can be no assurance that the Adviser’s or its affiliates’ efforts to allocate any particular investment opportunity fairly among all clients for whom such opportunity is appropriate will result in an allocation of all or part of such opportunity to the Trust. Not all conflicts of interest can be expected to be resolved in favor of the Trust.

Another type of conflict may arise if one client account buys a security and another client account sells or shorts the same security. Currently, such opposing positions are generally not permitted within the same account without prior trade approval by the Chief Compliance Officer. However, a portfolio manager may enter into opposing positions for different clients to the extent each such client has a different investment objective and each such position is consistent with the investment objective of the applicable client. In addition, transactions in

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investments by one or more affiliated client accounts may have the effect of diluting or otherwise disadvantaging the values, prices or investment strategies of other client accounts.

Because certain client accounts may have investment objectives, strategies or legal, contractual, tax or other requirements that differ (such as the need to take tax losses, realize profits, raise cash, diversification, etc.), an affiliated advisor may purchase, sell or continue to hold securities for certain client accounts contrary to other recommendations. In addition, an affiliated advisor may be permitted to sell securities or instruments short for certain client accounts and may not be permitted to do so for other affiliated client accounts.

As a result of the Trust's arrangements with Highland, there may be times when Highland, the Adviser or their affiliates have interests that differ from those of the Trust's shareholders, giving rise to a conflict of interest. Highland and the Adviser are under common ownership, and Trust's officers serve or may serve as officers, directors or principals of entities that operate in the same or a related line of business as the Trust does, or of investment funds managed by the Adviser or its affiliates. Similarly, the Adviser or its affiliates may have other clients with similar, different or competing investment objectives. In serving in these multiple capacities, they may have obligations to other clients or investors in those entities, the fulfillment of which may not be in the best interests of the Trust or its shareholders. For example, the Trust's officers have, and will continue to have, management responsibilities for other investment funds, accounts or other investment vehicles managed or sponsored by the Adviser and its affiliates. The Trust's investment objective may overlap, in part or in whole, with the investment objective of such affiliated investment funds, accounts or other investment vehicles. As a result, those individuals may face conflicts in the allocation of investment opportunities among the Trust and other investment funds or accounts advised by or affiliated with the Adviser. The Adviser will seek to allocate investment opportunities among eligible accounts in a manner that is fair and equitable over time and consistent with its allocation policy. However, the Trust can offer no assurance that such opportunities will be allocated to it fairly or equitably in the short-term or over time.

In addition, it is anticipated that a portion of the Trust's assets will be represented by REITs, asset backed securities and/or collateralized loan obligations sponsored, organized and/or managed by Highland and its affiliates. The Adviser will monitor for conflicts of interest in accordance with its fiduciary duties and will provide the independent trustees of the Trust with an opportunity to periodically review the Trust's investments in such REITs, asset-backed securities and/or CLOs and assure themselves that continued investment in such securities remains in the best interests of the Trust and its shareholders. The Adviser may effect client cross-transactions where it causes a transaction to be effected between the Trust and another client advised by the Adviser or any of its affiliates. The Adviser may engage in a client cross-transaction involving the Trust any time that the Adviser believes such transaction to be fair to the Trust and the other client of the Adviser or its affiliates. As further described below, the Adviser may effect principal transactions where the Trust may make and/or hold an investment, including an investment in securities, in which the Adviser and/or its affiliates have a debt, equity or participation interest, in each case in accordance with applicable law, which may include the Adviser obtaining the consent and approval of the Trust prior to engaging in any such principal transaction between the Trust and the Adviser or its affiliates.

The Adviser may direct the Trust to acquire or dispose of investments in cross trades between the Trust and other clients of the Adviser or its affiliates in accordance with applicable legal and regulatory requirements. In addition, to the extent permitted by the 1940 Act and SEC staff interpretations, the Trust may make and/or hold an investment, including an investment in securities, in which the Adviser and/or its affiliates have a debt, equity or participation interest, and the holding and sale of such investments by the Trust may enhance the profitability of the Adviser's own investments in such companies.

*Real Estate Allocation Procedures.* Members of the Trust's management team also operate: (1) an externally managed publicly traded REIT ("NXRT"), that manages a portfolio of Class B, value add multifamily properties; (2) VineBrook Homes Trust, Inc., an externally managed private REIT that manages a portfolio of single-family housing properties in the Midwest U.S. ("VineBrook"); (3) NexPoint Hospitality Trust, an externally managed publicly traded REIT ("NHT") listed on the TSX Venture Exchange, that manages a

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portfolio of hospitality assets located in the U.S; (4) a private REIT (NexPoint Real Estate Capital, LLC), which is wholly-owned by NHF, that originates preferred equity investments for entities that own real estate; (5) a private REIT (NexPoint Real Estate Opportunities, LLC), which is wholly-owned by NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund (“NHF”), that acquires direct interests in opportunistic real estate investments; (6) a private REIT (NRESF REIT Sub, LLC), which is wholly-owned by NexPoint Real Estate Strategies Fund (“NRESF”), that invests directly in real estate transactions or real estate operating companies; and (7) a private REIT (NexPoint Capital REIT, LLC), which is wholly-owned by NexPoint Capital Inc., that invests in both direct interests in opportunistic real estate investments and preferred equity investments for entities that own real estate.

If a potential investment is appropriate for either the Trust or another entity noted above, the Adviser and its affiliates have an allocation policy that provides that opportunities will be allocated among those accounts for which participation in the respective opportunity is considered most appropriate, taking into account, among other considerations with respect to any real estate investments:

- which fund has available cash (including availability under lines of credit) to acquire the investment;
- whether there are any positive or negative income tax effects on any of the funds relating to the purchase;
- whether the investment opportunity creates geographic, asset class or tenant concentration / diversification concerns for any of the funds;
- how the investment size, potential leverage, transaction structure and anticipated cash flows affect each fund, including earnings and distribution coverage; and
- whether one or more of the funds has an existing relationship with the tenant(s), operator, facility or system associated with the investment, or a significant geographic presence that would make the investment strategically more important.

The Adviser will allocate investment opportunities across the entities for which such opportunities are appropriate, consistent with its internal conflict of interest and allocation policies. As noted above, the Adviser will seek to allocate investment opportunities among such entities in a manner that is fair and equitable over time and consistent with its allocation policy. However, there is no assurance that such investment opportunities will be allocated to the Trust fairly or equitably in the short-term or over time and there can be no assurance that the Trust will be able to participate in all such investment opportunities that are suitable for the Trust.

*Co-Investment Opportunities.* The Trust expects in the future to co-invest on a concurrent basis with other affiliates, unless doing so is impermissible under existing regulatory guidance, applicable regulations and our allocation procedures. The Trust, the Adviser and NexPoint Advisors, L.P. have obtained an exemptive order dated April 19, 2016 from the Commission to permit certain co-investments among the Trust and other accounts managed by the Adviser or its affiliates, subject to certain conditions.

## **ADMINISTRATOR/SUB-ADMINISTRATOR**

HCMFA provides administration services to the Trust for a monthly administration fee, computed and accrued daily, at an annual rate of 0.20% of the Trust’s Average Daily Managed Assets. In such capacity, HCMFA generally assists the Trust in all aspects of its administration and operations. As of October 1, 2018, under a separate sub-administration agreement, HCMFA has delegated certain administrative functions to SEI Investments Global Funds Services (“SEI”), One Freedom Valley Drive, Oaks, Pennsylvania 19456, and pays SEI a portion of the fee it receives from the Trust. Under the Sub-Administration Agreement, SEI has agreed to provide fund accounting services; asset data services; fund administration and reporting services; and regulatory administration services, including preparation and filing of various reports with the appropriate regulatory agencies and the SEC for the Trust.

For more information about the Trust’s administration agreements, please see “Administrator/Sub-Administrator” in the SAI.



[Table of Contents](#)**MULTI-MANAGER STRUCTURE**

The Trust and the Adviser qualify for exemptive relief under a multi-managers' exemptive order (the "Order") from certain provisions of the 1940 Act, pursuant to which the Adviser will, subject to the oversight of the Board, be permitted to enter into and materially amend sub-advisory agreements on behalf of the Trust with sub-advisers unaffiliated with the Adviser without such agreements being approved by the shareholders of the Trust (the "Multi-Manager Structure"). The Board and the Adviser will therefore have the right to hire, terminate or replace sub-advisers without first obtaining shareholder approval, including in the event that a sub-advisory agreement has automatically terminated as a result of an assignment. The Adviser will continue to have the ultimate responsibility to oversee each sub-adviser and recommend its hiring, termination and replacement. Shareholders of the Trust have already approved the adoption of a Multi-Manager Structure, which enables the Trust to operate with greater efficiency and without incurring the expense and delays associated with obtaining shareholder approvals for matters relating to sub-advisers or sub-advisory agreements. The Trust and the Adviser will be subject to certain conditions imposed by the Order, including the condition that within 90 days of hiring of a new non-affiliated sub-adviser, the Trust will provide shareholders with an information statement containing information about the sub-adviser. Shareholders of the Trust retain the right to terminate a sub-advisory agreement for the Trust at any time by a vote of the majority of such outstanding securities of the Trust. Operation of the Trust under the Multi-Manager Structure will not: (1) permit management fees paid by the Trust to HCMFA to be increased without shareholder approval; or (2) diminish HCMFA's responsibilities to the Trust, including HCMFA's overall responsibility for overseeing the portfolio management services furnished by its sub-advisers. Shareholders will be notified of any changes made to sub-advisers or sub-advisory agreements within 90 days of the change.

**PORTFOLIO MANAGERS**

The following sets forth biographical information for those individuals who are primarily responsible for managing the Trust's investments. The portfolio managers may change from time to time.

Mr. Okada co-founded Highland and has served as Chief Investment Officer of Highland Capital Management, L.P. ("HCMLP") since 1993 and as Co-Chief Investment Officer of HCMLP since September 2017. He has managed the Trust's portfolio since October 2012. He is a pioneer in the development of the bank loan market and has over 25 years of credit experience. Mr. Okada is responsible for structuring one of the industry's first arbitrage CLOs. He received a BA in Economics and a BA in Psychology, cum laude, from the University of California, Los Angeles. He has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

Mr. Poglitsch is Head of Credit at HCMLP and has managed the Trust since June 2017. Prior to his current position, Mr. Poglitsch served as a Managing Director at HCFMA, where he spent a substantial amount of time covering the Energy, Competitive Power, Utilities, and Transportation industries; he also served as a Senior Portfolio Analyst on both the Institutional and Retail fund research teams. Prior to joining HCMLP in 2007, Mr. Poglitsch was a consultant for Muse Stancil and Co. ("Muse"), where he provided mergers and acquisition, valuation, and strategic advisory services to a variety of clients in the midstream and downstream energy sectors, including integrated oil, independent refinery, pipeline, power, and renewable fuel companies. Prior to joining Muse, Mr. Poglitsch was a senior financial analyst for American Airlines. He received an MBA with a concentration in Finance from the University of Texas at Austin and a BS in Chemical Engineering from the University of Oklahoma. Mr. Poglitsch has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

Mr. Dondero is a founder and President of HCMLP and has managed the Trust since June 2018. Formerly, Mr. Dondero served as Chief Investment Officer of Protective Life's GIC subsidiary and helped grow the business from concept to over \$2 billion between 1989 and 1993. His portfolio management experience includes investments in mortgage-backed securities, investment grade corporate bonds, leveraged bank loans, emerging markets, derivatives, preferred stocks and common stocks. From 1985 to 1989, he managed approximately \$1 billion in fixed income funds for American Express. Prior to American Express, he completed his financial

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training at Morgan Guaranty Trust Fund. Mr. Dondero is a Beta Gamma Sigma graduate of the University of Virginia (1984) with degrees in Accounting and Finance. Mr. Dondero has earned the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation. Mr. Dondero is a Certified Public Accountant and a Certified Management Accountant. Mr. Dondero currently serves as Chairman for NexBank and serves on the Board of Directors of American Banknote Corporation, Jernigan Capital, Inc., Texmark Timber Treasury, L.P., Cornerstone Healthcare Group and Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer.

The Statement of Additional Information provides additional information about the portfolio managers' compensation, other accounts managed by the portfolio managers and the portfolio managers' ownership of securities issued by the Trust.

### **Determination of Net Asset Value**

The net asset value of the common shares of the Trust is computed based upon the value of the Trust's investment portfolio securities and other assets. Net asset value per common share is determined daily on each day that the NYSE is open for business as of the close of the regular trading session on the NYSE, usually 4:00 p.m., Eastern time. The NYSE is open Monday through Friday, but currently is scheduled to be closed on New Year's Day, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Presidents' Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day or on the preceding Friday or subsequent Monday when a holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday, respectively.

The Trust calculates net asset value per common share by subtracting liabilities (including accrued expenses or dividends) from the total assets of the Trust (the value of the securities plus cash or other assets, including interest accrued but not yet received) and dividing the result by the total number of outstanding common shares of the Trust.

### **VALUATIONS**

The Trust uses the following valuation methods to determine either current market value for investments for which market quotations are available or, if not available, the fair value, as determined in good faith pursuant to policies and procedures approved by the Board:

- The market value of each security listed or traded on any recognized securities exchange or automated quotation system will be the last reported sale price at the relevant valuation date on the composite tape or on the principal exchange on which such security is traded, except that debt securities that are not credit-impaired and have remaining maturities of 60 days or less will be valued at amortized cost, a method of valuation that approximates market value. If no sale is reported on that date, or for over-the-counter securities, the Adviser utilizes, when available, pricing quotations from principal market makers. Such quotations may be obtained from third-party pricing services or directly from investment brokers and dealers in the secondary market. Generally, the Trust's loan and bond positions are not traded on exchanges and consequently are valued based on market prices received from third-party pricing services or broker-dealer sources.
- Dividends declared but not yet received, and rights in respect of securities which are quoted ex-dividend or ex-rights, will be recorded at the fair value thereof, as determined by the Adviser, which may (but need not) be the value so determined on the day such securities are first quoted ex-dividend or ex-rights.
- Listed options, or over-the-counter options for which representative brokers' quotations are available, will be valued in the same manner as listed or over-the-counter securities as hereinabove provided. Premiums for the sale of such options written by the Trust will be included in the assets of the Trust, and the market value of such options shall be included as a liability.

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- The Trust's non-marketable investments for which market quotations are not readily will generally be valued in such manner as the Adviser determines in good faith to reflect their fair values under procedures established by, and under the general supervision and responsibility of, the Board. The pricing of all assets that are fair valued in this manner will be subsequently reported to and ratified by the Board. Pursuant to the Trust's pricing procedures, securities for which market quotations are not readily available may include securities that are subject to legal or contractual restrictions on resale, securities for which no or limited trading activity has occurred for a period of time, or securities that are otherwise deemed to be illiquid (i.e., securities that cannot be disposed of within seven days at approximately the price at which the security is currently priced by the Trust). Swaps and other derivatives would generally fall under this category.

When determining the fair value of an asset, the Adviser seeks to determine the price that the Trust might reasonably expect to receive from the current sale of that asset in an arm's-length transaction. Fair value is defined as the amount for which assets could be sold in an orderly disposition over a reasonable period of time, taking into account the nature of the asset. Fair value determinations are based upon all available factors that the Adviser deems relevant. Fair value pricing, however, involves judgments that are inherently subjective and inexact, since fair valuation procedures are used only when it is not possible to be sure what value should be attributed to a particular asset or when an event will affect the market price of an asset and to what extent. As a result, fair value pricing may not reflect actual market value, and it is possible that the fair value determined for a security will be materially different from the value that actually could be or is realized upon the sale of that asset.

## **DETERMINATIONS IN CONNECTION WITH OFFERINGS**

In connection with any primary offering of the Trust's common shares, the Trust is required to make the determination that it is not selling its common shares at a price below its then current net asset value at the time at which the sale is made. However, if the net asset value of the Trust changes during the pendency of a primary offering such that there is a possibility that the price of the Trust's common shares could fall below the then current net asset value of its common shares at the time at which the sale is made, or (ii) there is a possibility that the Trust could trigger the undertaking (which the Trust provided to the Commission in the registration statement to which this Prospectus is a part) to suspend the offering of its common shares pursuant to this Prospectus if the net asset value fluctuates by certain amounts in certain circumstances until the Prospectus is amended, the Trust may elect, in the case of clause (i) above, to postpone the offering until such time as the Trust makes a determination that it is not at risk of selling its common shares at a price below its then current net asset value and, in the case of clause (ii) above, to comply with such undertaking or to undertake to determine net asset value to ensure that such undertaking has not been triggered.

## **Distributions**

Subject to market conditions, the Trust expects to declare dividends on the Trust's common shares on a monthly basis. The Trust intends to pay any net capital gain distributions annually. The Trust's distribution policy may be modified from time to time by the Board as it deems appropriate, including in light of market and economic conditions and the Trust's current, expected and historical earnings and investment performance. Common shareholders are expected to be notified of any such modifications by press release or in the Trust's periodic shareholder reports. As a registered investment company under the Code, the Trust will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on any taxable income that it distributes to shareholders, provided that at least 90% of its investment company taxable income for that taxable year is distributed to its shareholders. If necessary, the Trust will pay an adjusting distribution in December which includes any additional income and net realized capital gains in excess of the monthly distributions for that year to satisfy the minimum distribution requirements of the Code.

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The Trust's annualized distributions may contain a return of capital and should not be considered as the dividend yield or total return of an investment in its common or preferred shares. Shareholders who receive the payment of a distribution consisting of a return of capital may be under the impression that they are receiving net profits when they are not. Shareholders should not assume that the source of a distribution from the Trust is net profit. A portion of the Trust's common share distributions for the year ending 2017 have included a return of capital. For the six months ended December 31, 2018, the Trust made distributions of \$0.46 per common share, approximately \$0.01 of which constituted a return of capital. To minimize the U.S. federal income tax that the Trust must pay at the corporate level, the Trust intends to distribute substantially all of its investment company taxable income and previously undistributed cumulative net capital gain. The composition of each distribution is estimated based on earnings as of the record date for the distribution. The actual composition of each distribution may change based on the Trust's investment activity through the end of the calendar year.

The Trust may retain for reinvestment, and pay the resulting U.S. federal income taxes on its net capital gain, if any, although, as previously mentioned, the Trust intends to distribute substantially all of its previously undistributed cumulative net capital gain each year. In the event that the Trust's investment company taxable income and net capital gain exceeds the total of the Trust's annual distributions on any shares issued by the Trust the Trust intends to pay such excess once a year. If, for any calendar year, the total annual distributions on any shares issued by the Trust exceed investment company taxable income and cumulative net capital gain, the excess will generally be treated as a tax-free return of capital up to the amount of a shareholder's tax basis in his or her shares. Any distributions to the holders of shares which constitute tax-free return of capital will reduce a shareholder's tax basis in such shares, thereby increasing such shareholder's potential gain or reducing his or her potential loss on the sale of the shares. Any such amounts distributed to a shareholder in excess of the basis in the shares will generally be taxable to the shareholder as capital gain.

To the extent the Trust makes distributions consisting of returns of capital, such distributions will further decrease the Trust's total assets and, therefore have the likely effect of increasing the Trust's expense ratio as the Trust's fixed expenses will become a larger percentage of the Trust's average net assets. In addition, in order to make such distributions, the Trust may have to sell a portion of its investment portfolio at a time when independent investment judgment may not dictate such action.

The Trust, along with other closed-end registered investment companies advised by the Adviser, is covered by an exemption from Section 19(b) of the 1940 Act and Rule 19b-1 thereunder permitting the Trust to make periodic distributions of long term capital gains provided that any distribution policy of the Trust with respect to its common shares calls for periodic distributions in an amount equal to a fixed percentage of the Trust's average net asset value over a specified period of time or market price per common share at or about the time of distribution or pay-out of a fixed dollar amount. The Trust's current policy is to make monthly distributions to holders of its common shares. The exemption also permits the Trust to make such distributions with respect to its preferred shares in accordance with such shares' terms.

Various factors will affect the level of the Trust's current income and current gains, such as its asset mix and the Trust's use of options and other derivative transactions. To permit the Trust to maintain more stable monthly dividends and annual capital gain distributions, the Trust may from time to time distribute less than the entire amount of income and gains earned in the relevant month or year, respectively. The undistributed income and gains would be available to supplement future distributions. As a result, the distributions paid by the Trust for any particular period may be more or less than the amount of income and gains actually earned by the Trust during the applicable period. Undistributed income and gains will add to the Trust's net asset value, and, correspondingly, distributions from previously undistributed income and gains, as well as from capital, if any, will be deducted from the Trust's net asset value.

Shareholders will automatically receive newly issued common shares for all dividends declared for common shares of the Trust in accordance with the Trust's Dividend Reinvestment Plan unless an election is made to

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receive cash. Participants requesting a sale of securities through the plan agent of the Trust's Dividend Reinvestment Plan are subject to a sales fee and a brokerage commission. See "Dividend Reinvestment Plan."

### **Dividend Reinvestment Plan**

Unless the registered owner of common shares elects to receive cash by contacting the Plan Agent, all dividends declared for the common shares of the Trust will be automatically paid in the form of, or reinvested by Global Shares ("Global Shares" or the "Plan Agent") in, common shares of the Trust purchased in the open market at prevailing market prices. If you are a registered owner of common shares and elect not to participate in the Plan, you will receive all dividends or other distributions (together, a "dividend") in cash paid by check mailed directly to you (or, if the shares are held in street or other nominee name, then to such nominee) by American Stock Transfer and Trust Company LLC ("AST"), as dividend disbursing agent. You may elect not to participate in the Plan and to receive all dividends in cash by sending written instructions or by contacting AST, as dividend disbursing agent, at the address set forth below. Participation in the Plan is completely voluntary and may be terminated or resumed at any time without penalty by contacting the Plan Agent before the dividend record date; otherwise such termination or resumption will be effective with respect to any subsequently declared dividend. Some brokers may automatically elect to receive cash on your behalf and may reinvest that cash in additional shares of the Trust for you.

The Plan Agent will open an account for each shareholder under the Plan in the same name in which such shareholder's shares are registered. Whenever the Trust declares a dividend payable in cash, non-participants in the Plan will receive cash and participants in the Plan will receive the equivalent in newly issued common shares. The common shares will be acquired by the Plan Agent through receipt of additional unissued but authorized common shares from the Trust. The number of newly issued common shares to be credited to each participant's account will be determined by dividing the dollar amount of the dividend by the lesser of (i) the net asset value per common share determined on the declaration date and (ii) the market price per common share as of the close of regular trading on the NYSE on the declaration date.

The Plan Agent maintains all shareholders' accounts in the Plan and furnishes written confirmation of all transactions in the accounts, including information needed by shareholders for tax records. Common shares in the account of each Plan participant will be held by the Plan Agent on behalf of the Plan participant, and each shareholder proxy will include those shares purchased or received pursuant to the Plan. The Plan Agent will forward all proxy solicitation materials to participants and vote proxies for shares held under the Plan in accordance with the instructions of the participants.

In the case of shareholders such as banks, brokers or nominees which hold shares for others who are the beneficial owners, the Plan Agent will administer the Plan on the basis of the number of common shares certified from time to time by the record shareholder's name and held for the account of beneficial owners who participate in the Plan.

There will be no brokerage charges with respect to common shares issued directly by the Trust. The automatic reinvestment of dividends will not relieve participants of any tax that may be payable (or required to be withheld) on such dividends. Accordingly, any taxable dividend received by a participant that is reinvested in additional common shares will be subject to U.S. federal (and possibly state and local) income tax even though such participant will not receive a corresponding amount of cash with which to pay such taxes. See "Tax Matters."

There will be no brokerage charges with respect to common shares issued directly by the Trust. Participants who request a sale of shares through the Plan Agent pay a brokerage commission of \$0.4 per share sold.

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The Trust reserves the right to amend or terminate the Plan. There is no direct service charge to participants in the Plan; however, the Trust reserves the right to amend the Plan to include a service charge payable by the participants.

All correspondence concerning the Plan should be directed to the Plan Agent at Global Shares, 111 Town Square Place, Suite 1401, Jersey City, NJ 07310; telephone (732) 256-1005.

### **Shareholder Loyalty Program**

To promote loyalty and long-time alignment of interests among the Trust's shareholders, the Adviser and an affiliate (collectively, "Highland") offer an incentive to shareholders that buy and hold the Trust's common shares for a period of at least twelve months through its Shareholder Loyalty Plan (the "Plan"). To participate in the Plan, existing shareholders must open an account (the "Account") with the Plan's administrator, Global Shares. Subsequently, if a participant makes contributions to the Account during a defined trading period to purchase shares, Highland will make a corresponding contribution on such participant's behalf (the "Gross-up"). The Gross-up is determined by Highland and may be adjusted at any point without notice by Highland prospectively from time to time in accordance with the terms of the Plan. For example, if a participant contributes \$10,000 to the Account during a defined trading period to purchase shares and Highland has determined the participant's Gross-up will be 2%, Highland will make a corresponding contribution of \$200, or 2% of the total \$10,000, to purchase additional Shares for the participant (the "Gross-up Shares"). In addition, Plan participants will not be required to pay any customary purchase commissions or distribution fees on the purchase of shares under the Plan.

Highland will pay all expenses incident to the purchase of shares under the Plan and for operation of the Plan, including the costs of recordkeeping, accounting fees, legal fees and the costs of delivery of stock certificates, if any, to participants; provided, however, that Highland will not pay any expenses incurred in connection with any sale or transfer of shares credited to a participant's Account. Expenses incurred in connection with any such sales will be deducted from the proceeds of sale prior to any remittance to the participant.

While the portion of the Trust's common shares that are acquired through the participant's contribution will vest immediately, the Gross-up Shares will not vest until the first anniversary of the date that the Gross-up Shares were purchased. Vested shares and Gross-up Shares will be held in the Account with Global Shares' broker, Maxim Group, LLC ("Maxim"). A participant may not sell or otherwise withdraw, pledge, transfer, assign, hypothecate or dispose of any Gross-up Shares prior to the date on which they become vested Shares. Under the Plan, participants must contribute a minimum of \$2,500 for purchases of shares in the initial contribution and each subsequent monthly contribution unless Highland, in its sole discretion, decides to permit contributions for a lesser amount. The maximum monthly contribution limit under the Plan is \$1,000,000, which amount may be adjusted from time to time by Highland in its sole discretion.

All dividends received on shares that are purchased under the Plan will be automatically reinvested through the Plan. Shares acquired through the reinvestment of dividends paid to the holder of a vested share will vest immediately. Shares acquired through the reinvestment of dividends paid to the holder of a non-vested Gross-up share will vest on the first anniversary of the reinvest date. In addition, for dividends paid to holders of vested shares, Highland will provide a Gross-up on the amount of such reinvested dividends.

Maxim maintains all shareholders' accounts in the Plan and, upon request, furnishes written confirmation of all transactions in the accounts, including information needed by shareholders for tax records. Shares in the account of each Plan participant will be held by Maxim on behalf of the Plan participant, and each shareholder proxy will include those shares purchased or received pursuant to the Plan. Maxim will forward all proxy solicitation materials to participants and vote proxies for shares held under the Plan in accordance with the instructions of the participants.

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In the case of shareholders such as banks, brokers or nominees which hold shares for others who are the beneficial owners, Global Shares and Maxim will administer the Plan on the basis of the number of common shares certified from time to time by the record shareholder's name and held for the account of beneficial owners who participate in the Plan.

Highland reserves the right to amend or terminate the Plan. To help align the interests of Highland's employees with the interests of the Trust's shareholders, Highland also offers the Plan to its employees.

Participants in the Plan should be aware that their receipt of Gross-up Shares under the Plan constitutes taxable income to them. In addition, such participants owe taxes on that portion of any distribution that constitutes taxable income in respect of shares of our common stock held in their Plan accounts, whether or not such shares of common stock have vested in the hands of the participants. To the extent any payments or distributions under the Plan are subject to U.S. federal, state or local taxes, the Trust, any participating affiliate of the Trust or the agent for the Plan may satisfy its tax withholding obligation by (1) withholding shares allocated to the participant's account or (2) deducting cash from the participant's account. Plan participants should consult their tax advisers regarding the tax consequences to them of participating in the Plan.

The Plan may create an incentive for shareholders to invest additional amounts in the Trust. Because the Adviser's management fee is based on a percentage of the assets of the Trust, the Plan will result in increased net revenues to Highland if the increase in the management fee due to the increased asset base offsets the costs associated with establishing and maintaining the Plan.

## **Description of Capital Structure**

The following is a brief description of the terms of the Trust's common shares, preferred shares and subscription rights. This description does not purport to be complete and is qualified by reference to the Trust's governing documents. For complete terms of the subscription rights, please refer to the actual terms of such subscription rights which will be set forth in the subscription rights agreement relating to such subscription rights (the "Subscription Rights Agreement"). This Prospectus will contain the material terms and conditions for each security.

Any of the securities described herein may be issued separately or as part of a unit consisting of two or more securities (for example, common shares and rights), which may or may not be separable from one another. If such units are publicly offered, they and their underlying securities will be registered under the Securities Act prior to completion of the offering.

## **COMMON SHARES**

The Trust is a non-diversified, closed-end management investment company that was organized as a Massachusetts business trust on June 28, 2017 pursuant to a Declaration of Trust dated June 28, 2017. The Trust is authorized to issue an unlimited number of common shares of beneficial interest, par value \$0.001 per share. Each common share has one vote and, when issued and paid for in accordance with the terms of this offering, will be fully paid and non-assessable, except that the trustees shall have the power to cause shareholders to pay expenses of the Trust by setting off charges due from shareholders from declared but unpaid dividends or distributions owed such shareholders and/or by reducing the number of common shares owned by such shareholder. The Trust currently is not aware of any expenses that will be paid pursuant to this provision, except to the extent fees payable under its Dividend Reinvestment Plan are deemed to be paid pursuant to this provision.

The Trust intends to hold annual meetings of shareholders so long as the common shares are listed on a national securities exchange and such meetings are required as a condition to such listing. All common shares are equal as to dividends, assets and voting privileges and have no conversion, preemptive or other subscription rights. The Trust will send annual and semi-annual reports, including financial statements, to all holders of its shares.

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The Trust has no present intention of offering any additional shares other than the securities offered pursuant to this Prospectus and common shares issued under the Trust's Dividend Reinvestment Plan. Any additional offerings of shares will require approval by the Board. Any additional offering of common shares will be subject to the requirements of the 1940 Act, which generally provides that shares may not be issued at a price below the then current net asset value, exclusive of sales load, except in connection with an offering to existing holders of common shares or with the consent of a majority of the Trust's common shareholders.

Any additional offerings of common shares would result in current shareholders owning a smaller proportionate interest in the Trust than they owned prior to such offering to the extent that shareholders do not purchase sufficient shares in such offering to maintain their percentage interest. The Trust's net asset value would be reduced immediately following an offering of the shares due to the costs of such offering, which will be borne entirely by the Trust. The sale of shares by the Trust (or the perception that such sales may occur) may have an adverse effect on prices of shares in the secondary market. An increase in the number of shares available may put downward pressure on the market price for shares. If the Trust were unable to invest the proceeds of an additional offering of shares as intended, the Trust's per share distribution may decrease and the Trust may not participate in market advances to the same extent as if such proceeds were fully invested as planned.

The Trust's common shares are listed on the NYSE under the symbol HFRO. Unlike open-end funds, closed-end funds like the Trust do not continuously offer shares and do not provide daily redemptions. Rather, if a shareholder determines to buy additional common shares or sell shares already held, the shareholder may do so by trading through a broker on the NYSE or otherwise. Shares of closed-end investment companies frequently trade on an exchange at prices lower than net asset value. Because the market value of the common shares may be influenced by such factors as dividend levels (which are in turn affected by expenses), dividend stability, net asset value, relative demand for and supply of such shares in the market, general market and economic conditions and other factors beyond the control of the Trust, the common shares may not trade at a price equal to or higher than net asset value in the future. The common shares are designed primarily for long-term investors, and you should not purchase the common shares if you intend to sell them soon after purchase. See the Statement of Additional Information under "Repurchase of Common Shares."

The following table provides information about the Trust's outstanding shares as of May 31, 2019. The Trust does not currently hold any of its shares for its own account.

<u>Title of Class</u>	<u>(1) Amount Authorized</u>	<u>(2) Amount Outstanding</u>	<u>(3) Amount Held by the Trust or for its Account</u>	<u>(4) Amount Outstanding Exclusive of Amount Shown Under (3)</u>
Common Shares	Unlimited	71,908,209	—	71,908,209

The Board has the power to cause each holder of common or preferred shares of the Trust to pay directly, in advance or arrears, for charges of distribution, of the custodian or transfer, shareholder servicing or similar agent, a pro rata amount as determined from time to time by the Board, by setting off such charges due from such shareholder from declared but unpaid dividends or distributions owed such shareholder and/or by reducing the number of shares in the account of such shareholder by that number of full and/or fractional shares which represents the outstanding amount of such charges due from such shareholder. In the event the Trustees determine to cause each shareholder to pay certain expenses directly by setting off such expenses due from a shareholder from dividends payable to such shareholder, the shareholder generally will be deemed to receive, and incur U.S. federal income taxes on, the full amount of the distribution paid to such shareholder, prior to its reduction by the expenses allocated to the shareholder. Alternatively, to the extent the Trustees determine to cause each shareholder to pay certain expenses directly by reducing the number of shares in the shareholder's account by the amount of the expenses allocated to the shareholder, such reduction in shares generally will constitute a redemption for U.S. federal income tax purposes, giving rise to capital gain or loss on the shares redeemed. See "Tax Matters" below for more information about the tax treatment of distributions and redemptions from the Trust.



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For information concerning the U.S. federal income tax consequences of an investment in common shares of the Trust, See “Tax Matters” below and “Tax Matters” in the Statement of Additional Information.

## **PREFERRED SHARES**

The Trust’s Agreement and Declaration of Trust provides that the Board may authorize and issue preferred shares with rights as determined by the Board, by action of the Board without the approval of the holders of the common shares. Holders of common shares have no preemptive right to purchase any preferred shares that might be issued. Whenever preferred shares are outstanding, the Trust will not be permitted to declare any distributions from the Trust unless all accrued dividends on preferred shares have been paid, unless asset coverage (as defined in the 1940 Act) with respect to preferred shares would be at least 200% after giving effect to the distributions and unless certain other requirements imposed by any rating agencies rating the preferred shares have been met.

Currently, an unlimited number of the Trust’s shares have been classified by the Board as preferred shares, par value \$0.001 per share. The terms of such preferred shares may be fixed by the Board and would materially limit and/or qualify the rights of the holders of the Trust’s common shares. Although the terms of any preferred shares, including dividend rate, liquidation preference and redemption provisions, will be determined by the Board, subject to applicable law and the Trust’s Agreement and Declaration of Trust, it is likely that the preferred shares will be structured to carry a relatively short-term dividend rate reflecting interest rates on short-term bonds, by providing for the periodic redetermination of the dividend rate at relatively short intervals through an auction, remarketing or other procedure. The Trust also believes that it is likely that the liquidation preference, voting rights and redemption provisions of the preferred shares will be similar to those stated below. In connection with the offering of any preferred shares, the related Prospectus Supplement will disclose the terms of the preferred shares.

*Liquidation Preference.* In the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Trust, the holders of preferred shares will be entitled to receive a preferential liquidating distribution, which is expected to equal the original purchase price per preferred share plus accrued and unpaid dividends, whether or not declared, before any distribution of assets is made to holders of common shares. After payment of the full amount of the liquidating distribution to which they are entitled, the holders of preferred shares will not be entitled to any further participation in any distribution of assets by the Trust.

*Voting Rights.* The 1940 Act requires that the holders of any preferred shares, voting separately as a single class, have the right to elect at least two trustees at all times. The remaining trustees will be elected by holders of common shares and preferred shares, voting together as a single class. In addition, subject to the prior rights, if any, of the holders of any other class of senior securities outstanding, the holders of any preferred shares have the right to elect a majority of the trustees of the Trust at any time two years’ dividends on any preferred shares are unpaid. The 1940 Act also requires that, in addition to any approval by shareholders that might otherwise be required, the approval of the holders of a majority of any outstanding preferred shares, voting separately as a class, would be required to (i) adopt any plan of reorganization that would adversely affect the preferred shares, and (ii) take any action requiring a vote of security holders under Section 13(a) of the 1940 Act, including, among other things, changes in the Trust’s subclassification as a closed-end investment company or changes in its fundamental investment restrictions. As a result of these voting rights, the Trust’s ability to take any such actions may be impeded to the extent that are any preferred shares outstanding. The Board presently intends that, except as otherwise indicated in this Prospectus Supplement and except as otherwise required by applicable law, holders of preferred shares will have equal voting rights with holders of common shares (one vote per share, unless otherwise required by the 1940 Act) and will vote together with holders of common shares as a single class.

The affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the outstanding preferred shares, voting as a separate class, will be required to amend, alter or repeal any of the preferences, rights or powers of holders of preferred shares that materially and adversely affect such preferences, rights or powers, or to increase or decrease the

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authorized number of preferred shares. The class vote of holders of preferred shares described above will in each case be in addition to any other vote required to authorize the action in question.

*Redemption, Purchase and Sale of Preferred Shares by the Trust.* The terms of the preferred shares are expected to provide that (i) they are redeemable by the Trust in whole or in part at the original purchase price per share plus accrued dividends per share, (ii) the Trust may tender for or purchase preferred shares, and (iii) the Trust may subsequently resell any shares so tendered for or purchased.

Any redemption or purchase of preferred shares by the Trust will reduce the leverage applicable to the common shares, while any resale of shares by the Trust will increase that leverage.

The discussion above describes the possible offering of preferred shares by the Trust. If the Board determines to proceed with such an offering, the terms of the preferred shares may be the same as, or different from, the terms described above, subject to applicable law and the Trust's Agreement and Declaration of Trust. The Board, without the approval of the holders of common shares, may authorize an offering of preferred shares or may determine not to authorize such an offering and may fix the terms of the preferred shares to be offered.

## **SUBSCRIPTION RIGHTS**

### *General*

We may issue subscription rights to holders of our common and/or preferred shares to purchase common and/or fixed rate preferred shares. Subscription rights may be issued independently or together with any other offered security and may or may not be transferable by the person purchasing or receiving the subscription rights. In connection with a subscription rights offering to holders of our common and/or preferred shares, we would distribute certificates evidencing the subscription rights and a Prospectus Supplement to our common or preferred shareholders, as applicable, as of the record date that we set for determining the shareholders eligible to receive subscription rights in such subscription rights offering.

The applicable Prospectus Supplement would describe the following terms of subscription rights in respect of which this Prospectus is being delivered:

- the period of time the offering would remain open;
- the title of such subscription rights;
- the exercise price for such subscription rights (or method of calculation thereof);
- the ratio of the offering;
- the number of such subscription rights issued to each shareholder;
- the extent to which such subscription rights are transferable and the market on which they may be traded if they are transferable;
- the date on which the right to exercise such subscription rights shall commence, and the date on which such right shall expire (subject to any extension);
- the extent to which such subscription rights include an over-subscription privilege with respect to unsubscribed securities and the terms of such over-subscription privilege;
- any termination right we may have in connection with such subscription rights offering; and
- any other terms of such subscription rights, including exercise, settlement and other procedures and limitations relating to the transfer and exercise of such subscription rights.

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### *Exercise of Subscription Rights*

Each subscription right would entitle the holder of the subscription right to purchase for cash such amount of shares of common shares at such exercise price as shall in each case be set forth in, or be determinable as set forth in, the Prospectus Supplement relating to the subscription rights offered thereby. Under the 1940 Act, we may generally only offer subscription rights that expire not later than 120 days after their issuance and are issued exclusively and ratably to a class or classes of our security holders. Subscription rights may be exercised at any time up to the close of business on the expiration date for such subscription rights set forth in the Prospectus Supplement. After the close of business on the expiration date, all unexercised subscription rights would become void.

Subscription rights may be exercised as set forth in the Prospectus Supplement relating to the subscription rights offered thereby. Upon receipt of payment and the subscription rights certificate properly completed and duly executed at the corporate trust office of the subscription rights agent or any other office indicated in the Prospectus Supplement we will forward, as soon as practicable, the common shares purchasable upon such exercise. To the extent permissible under applicable law, we may determine to offer any unsubscribed offered securities directly to persons other than shareholders, to or through agents, underwriters or dealers or through a combination of such methods, as set forth in the applicable Prospectus Supplement. The Trust's common shareholders will indirectly bear all of the expenses of any subscription rights offerings, regardless of whether the Trust's common shareholders exercise any subscription rights.

### *Dilutive Effect*

The Trust may effectuate one or more rights offerings, as part of which the Trust will issue subscription rights. In any such event, shareholders who do not fully exercise their subscription rights should expect that they will, at the completion of a rights offering pursuant to this Prospectus, own a smaller proportional interest in the Trust than would otherwise be the case if they fully exercised their rights. We cannot state precisely the amount of any such dilution in share ownership because we do not know at this time what proportion of the shares will be purchased as a result of such rights offering. These shareholders will also experience a disproportionately greater decrease in their participation in the Trust's earnings and assets and their voting power than the increase the Trust will experience in its assets, potential earning power and voting interests due to such offering. These shareholders may also experience a decline in the market price of their shares, which often reflects to some degree announced or potential increases and decreases in net asset value per share. This decrease could be more pronounced as the size of the offering and level of discounts increases. Further, if current shareholders do not purchase any shares to maintain their percentage interest, regardless of whether such offering is above or below the then current net asset value, their voting power will be diluted.

In addition, if the subscription price in any such offering is less than the net asset value per share of our common shares, then shareholders would experience an immediate dilution of the aggregate net asset value of their shares as a result of the offering. The amount of any decrease in net asset value is not predictable because it is not known at this time what the subscription price and net asset value per share will be on the expiration date of a rights offering or what proportion of the shares will be purchased as a result of such rights offering. Any dilution could be substantial and may be compounded by any subsequent rights offering the Trust may undertake.

### *U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences of an Issuance of Subscription Rights to Common Shareholders*

The following is a summary of the material U.S. federal income tax consequences of an issuance of subscription rights to our common shareholders pursuant to this Prospectus (for purposes of this section, each such issuance is referred to as an "offer" and each subscription right, a "right"), under the provisions of the Code, U.S. Treasury regulations promulgated under the Code ("Treasury regulations"), and other applicable authority in effect as of the date of the Prospectus that are generally applicable to common shareholders and other holders of rights to purchase common shares who are "United States persons" within the meaning of the Code. This

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summary does not address any state, local, foreign or other tax consequences. These authorities may be changed, possibly with retroactive effect, or become subject to new legislative, administrative, or judicial interpretation. Common shareholders or other holders of rights should consult their tax advisors regarding the tax consequences, including U.S. federal, state, or local, or foreign or other tax consequences, relevant to their particular circumstances. This summary assumes that the rights are issued separately by the Trust and not as part of a unit consisting of two or more securities.

The Trust believes that the value of any right issued pursuant to an offer will not be includible in the income of a common shareholder at the time the right is issued, and the Trust will not report to the IRS that a common shareholder has income as a result of the issuance of the right; however, depending on the specific terms of the offer, there may be no guidance directly on point concerning certain aspects of the taxation of the offer. The remainder of this discussion assumes that the receipt of the rights by common shareholders will not be a taxable event for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

The basis of a right issued to a common shareholder will be zero, and the basis of the common share(s) with respect to which the right was issued (the "Old Share(s)") will remain unchanged, except that the shareholder must allocate its basis in the Old Share(s) between the Old Shares and the right in proportion to their respective fair market values on the date of distribution of the right if (i) either (a) the fair market value of the right on the date of distribution is at least 15% of the fair market value of the Old Share(s) on that date, or (b) the shareholder affirmatively elects (in the manner set out in Treasury regulations) to allocate to the right a portion of the basis of the Old Share(s), and (ii) the right does not expire unexercised in the hands of the shareholder (i.e., the shareholder either exercises or sells the right following its issuance). In compliance with Treasury regulations, the Trust will report to the common shareholders and to the IRS within 45 days of the distribution of the rights (or, if earlier, January 15 of the year following the calendar year of the distribution), either by mail or on the Trust's website, the effect, if any, of the offer on the common shareholders' basis in their Old Shares. Any determination the Trust makes with respect to the value of the rights in connection with this reporting requirement will not be binding on the IRS. Shareholders should consult with their tax advisers to determine the proper allocation, if any, of tax basis between rights and Old Shares, including whether the election described above would be appropriate for their situation.

No loss will be recognized by a common shareholder if a right distributed to such shareholder expires unexercised in the hands of such shareholder.

The basis of a right purchased in the market generally will be its purchase price. If a right that has been purchased in the market expires unexercised, the holder will recognize a loss equal to the basis of the right.

Any gain or loss on the sale of a right or, in the case of rights purchased in the market, any loss from a right that expires unexercised, will be a capital gain or loss if the right is held as a capital asset (which, in the case of rights issued to common shareholders, will normally depend on whether the Old Shares are held as capital assets), and will be a long-term capital gain or loss if the holding period of the right exceeds (or is deemed to exceed) one year. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitation. The holding period of a right issued to a common shareholder will include the holding period of the Old Share(s).

No gain or loss will be recognized by a holder upon the exercise of a right, and the basis of any common share acquired upon exercise (the "New Share") will equal the sum of the basis, if any, of the right and the subscription price for the New Share. When a holder exercises a right, the holder's holding period in the New Share(s) does not include the time during which the holder held the unexercised right; the holding period of the New Share(s) will begin no later than the date following the date of exercise of the right.

Employee retirement plans and other tax-exempt entities, including governmental plans, should also be aware that if they borrow in order to finance their exercise of rights, they may become subject to the tax on unrelated business taxable income ("UBTI") under Section 511 of the Code. If any portion of an individual retirement account ("IRA") is used as security for a loan, the portion so used may also be treated as distributed to the IRA depositor.

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For more information relating to the U.S. federal income tax consequences of an investment in the Trust, see “Tax Matters” below and “Tax Matters” in the Statement of Additional Information.

### **EMPLOYEE PLAN CONSIDERATIONS**

The Trust may accept investments from employee benefit plans subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, (“ERISA”) such as corporate pension plans (“ERISA Plans”); plans and accounts subject to Section 4975 of the Code, such as IRAs and Keogh plans (“Tax-Qualified Plans”); and entities the underlying assets of which include “plan assets” subject to ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (together with ERISA Plans and Tax-Qualified Plans, “Benefit Plan Investors”). Benefit Plans Investors and their fiduciaries should consider, among other things, the matters described below.

A “fiduciary” for purposes of ERISA with respect to an ERISA plan must discharge its duties with the care, skill, prudence, and diligence under the circumstances then prevailing that a prudent person acting in a like capacity and familiar with such matters would use in the conduct of an enterprise of a like character and with like aims. In determining whether a particular investment is appropriate, a fiduciary should give appropriate consideration to those facts and circumstances that, given the scope of the fiduciary’s investment duties, the fiduciary knows or should know are relevant to an investment in the Trust, including the role the investment in the Trust plays in the portion of the ERISA Plan’s investment portfolio with respect to which the fiduciary has investment duties. Because the Trust is a registered investment company under the Investment Company Act, it is anticipated that the Trust’s assets will not be deemed “plan assets” for purposes of ERISA or the Code.

Additional contributions of cash to an ERISA Plan or a Tax-Qualified Plan (other than rollover contributions or trustee-to-trustee transfers from other plans) in order to exercise rights would be treated as contributions to such plan and, when taken together with contributions previously made, may result in, among other things, excise taxes for excess or nondeductible contributions. Additional cash contributions could cause the maximum contribution limitations of Section 415 of the Code or other qualification rules to be violated. In addition, there may be other adverse tax and ERISA consequences if rights are sold or transferred by a plan.

Plans also should be aware that if they borrow in order to finance their exercise of rights, they may become subject to the tax on UBTI under Section 511 of the Code. If any portion of an IRA is used as security for a loan, the portion so used also is treated as distributed to the IRA depositor.

ERISA’s fiduciary responsibility requirements, and the ERISA and Code prohibited transaction rules that affect the exercise or transfer of rights. Due to the complexity of these rules and the penalties for noncompliance, Benefit Plan Investors should consult with their counsel and other advisers regarding an investment in the Trust and the consequences of their exercise or transfer of rights under ERISA and the Code.

### **Market and Net Asset Value Information**

The Trust’s common shares are listed on the NYSE under the symbol HFRO. The Trust’s common shares commenced trading on the NYSE in November 2017. In the trading history of the Trust’s common shares, the Trust’s common shares have traded at both a premium and a discount to net asset value. The Trust cannot predict whether its shares will trade in the future at a premium or discount to net asset value. Issuance of additional common shares may have an adverse effect on prices in the secondary market for the Trust’s common shares by increasing the number of shares available, which may put downward pressure on the market price for the shares.

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The following table sets forth, for each of the periods indicated, the high and low closing market prices of the Trust's common shares on the NYSE, the corresponding net asset value per share on such dates and the corresponding premium/discount to net asset value per share on such dates. See "Net Asset Value" for information as to how the Trust's net asset value is determined.

<u>Quarter</u>	<u>Market Price</u>		<u>Net Asset Value per Share</u>		<u>Premium/ (Discount) as a % of Net Asset Value</u>	
	<u>High</u>	<u>Low</u>	<u>High</u>	<u>Low</u>	<u>High</u>	<u>Low</u>
3rd Quarter 2017	\$15.07	\$14.97	\$15.05	\$ 14.95	0.13%	0.00%
4th Quarter 2017	\$15.65	\$15.01	\$15.17	\$ 14.94	4.40%	-0.07%
1st Quarter 2018	\$16.24	\$15.30	\$15.30	\$ 15.11	6.85%	0.59%
2nd Quarter 2018	\$16.12	\$15.58	\$15.27	\$ 15.05	7.04%	2.83%
3rd Quarter 2018	\$16.00	\$15.42	\$15.23	\$ 15.07	5.54%	1.65%
4th Quarter 2018	\$15.54	\$12.20	\$15.20	\$ 14.41	2.37%	-15.40%
1st Quarter 2019	\$14.10	\$12.95	\$14.68	\$ 14.39	-2.35%	-10.19%

The Trust's net asset value per common share at the close of business on May 31, 2019 was \$14.60, and the last reported sale price of a common share on the NYSE on that day was \$13.33, a discount to net asset value of 8.70%.

### **Anti-Takeover Provisions in the Agreement and Declaration of Trust**

The Agreement and Declaration of Trust includes provisions that could have the effect of limiting the ability of other entities or persons to acquire control of the Trust or to change the composition of its Board. This could have the effect of depriving shareholders of an opportunity to sell their shares at a premium over prevailing market prices by discouraging a third party from seeking to obtain control over the Trust. Such attempts could have the effect of increasing the expenses of the Trust and disrupting the normal operation of the Trust. The Board is divided into three classes, with the terms of one class expiring at each annual meeting of shareholders. At each annual meeting, one class of trustees is elected to a three-year term. This provision could delay for up to two years the replacement of a majority of the Board. A trustee may be removed from office (for cause, and not without cause) by the action of a majority of the remaining trustees followed by a vote of the holders of at least 75% of the shares then entitled to vote for the election of the respective trustee.

In addition, the Trust's Agreement and Declaration of Trust requires the favorable vote of a majority of the Board followed by the favorable vote of the holders of at least 75% of the outstanding shares of each affected class or series of the Trust, voting separately as a class or series, to approve, adopt or authorize certain transactions with 5% or greater holders of a class or series of shares and their associates, unless the transaction has been approved by at least 80% of the trustees, in which case "a majority of the outstanding voting securities" (as defined in the 1940 Act) of the Trust shall be required. For purposes of these provisions, a 5% or greater holder of a class or series of shares (a "Principal Shareholder") refers to any person who, whether directly or indirectly and whether alone or together with its affiliates and associates, beneficially owns 5% or more of the outstanding shares of all outstanding classes or series of shares of beneficial interest of the Trust.

The 5% holder transactions subject to these special approval requirements are: the merger or consolidation of the Trust or any subsidiary of the Trust with or into any Principal Shareholder; the issuance of any securities of the Trust to any Principal Shareholder for cash, except pursuant to any automatic dividend reinvestment plan; the sale, lease or exchange of all or any substantial part of the assets of the Trust to any Principal Shareholder, except assets having an aggregate fair market value of less than 2% of the total assets of the Trust, aggregating for the purpose of such computation all assets sold, leased or exchanged in any series of similar transactions within a twelve-month period; or the sale, lease or exchange to the Trust or any subsidiary of the Trust, in

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exchange for securities of the Trust, of any assets of any Principal Shareholder, except assets having an aggregate fair market value of less than 2% of the total assets of the Trust, aggregating for purposes of such computation all assets sold, leased or exchanged in any series of similar transactions within a twelve-month period.

For the purposes of calculating “a majority of the outstanding voting securities” under the Trust’s Agreement and Declaration of Trust, each class and series of the Trust shall vote together as a single class, except to the extent required by the 1940 Act or the Trust’s Agreement and Declaration of Trust, with respect to any class or series of shares. If a separate class vote is required, the applicable proportion of shares of the class or series, voting as a separate class or series, also will be required.

The Agreement and Declaration of Trust also provides that the Trust may be liquidated upon the approval of 80% of the trustees.

The Board has determined that provisions with respect to the Board and the shareholder voting requirements described above, which voting requirements are greater than the minimum requirements under Delaware law or the 1940 Act, are in the best interest of shareholders generally. Reference should be made to the Trust’s Agreement and Declaration of Trust, on file with the Commission, for the full text of these provisions, the material terms of which are summarized in this Prospectus.

### **Closed-End Fund Structure**

The Trust is a non-diversified, closed-end management investment company (commonly referred to as a closed-end fund). Closed-end funds differ from open-end funds (which are generally referred to as mutual funds) in that closed-end funds generally list their shares for trading on a stock exchange and do not redeem their shares at the request of the shareholder. This means that if you wish to sell your shares of a closed-end fund you must trade them on the market like any other stock at the prevailing market price at that time. In a mutual fund, if the shareholder wishes to sell shares of the fund, the mutual fund will redeem or buy back the shares at “net asset value” (less a redemption fee, if applicable, or contingent deferred sales charge, if applicable). Also, mutual funds generally offer new shares on a continuous basis to new investors, and closed-end funds generally do not. The continuous inflows and outflows of assets in a mutual fund can make it difficult to manage a mutual fund’s investments. By comparison, closed-end funds are generally able to stay more fully invested in securities that are consistent with their investment objective and also have greater flexibility to make certain types of investments and to use certain investment strategies, such as financial leverage and investments in illiquid securities.

Shares of closed-end funds frequently trade at a discount to their net asset value. Because of this possibility and the recognition that any such discount may not be in the interest of shareholders, the Board might consider from time to time engaging in open-market repurchases, tender offers for shares or other programs intended to reduce the discount. We cannot guarantee or assure, however, that the Board will decide to engage in any of these actions, nor is there any guarantee or assurance that such actions, if undertaken, would result in the shares trading at a price equal or close to net asset value per share. The Board might also consider converting the Trust to an open-end mutual fund, which would also require a vote of the shareholders of the Trust.

### **Repurchase of Common Shares; Discount**

Shares of closed-end investment companies often trade at a discount to their net asset value, and the Trust’s common shares may also trade at a discount to their net asset value, although it is possible that they may trade at a premium above net asset value. The market price of the Trust’s common shares will be determined by such factors as relative demand for and supply of such common shares in the market, the Trust’s net asset value, general market and economic conditions and other factors beyond the control of the Trust. See “Net Asset Value.” Although the Trust’s common shareholders will not have the right to redeem their common shares, the

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Trust may take action to repurchase common shares in the open market or make tender offers for its common shares. This may have the effect of reducing any market discount from net asset value. The Board may decide not to take any of these actions. In addition, there can be no assurance that share repurchases or tender offers, if undertaken, will reduce market discount.

The amount and timing of the repurchases will be at the discretion of the Trust's investment adviser, subject to market conditions and investment considerations. There is no assurance that the Trust will purchase shares at any particular discount levels or in any particular amounts. Any repurchases made under the Repurchase Program would be made on a national securities exchange at the prevailing market price, subject to exchange requirements regarding volume, timing and other limitations under federal securities laws. The Repurchase Program seeks to enhance shareholder value by purchasing shares trading at a discount from their net asset value per share.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, at any time when there are outstanding borrowings, the Trust may not purchase, redeem or otherwise acquire any of its common shares unless (i) all accrued preferred shares dividends have been paid, and (ii) at the time of such purchase, redemption or acquisition, the net asset value of the Trust's portfolio (determined after deducting the acquisition price of the common shares) is at least 200% of the liquidation value of the outstanding borrowings. Any service fees incurred in connection with any tender offer made by the Trust will be borne by the Trust and will not reduce the stated consideration to be paid to tendering shareholders.

There is no assurance that, if action is undertaken to repurchase or tender for common shares, such action will result in the common shares trading at a price which approximates their net asset value. Although share repurchases and tenders could have a favorable effect on the market price of the Trust's common shares, you should be aware that the acquisition of common shares by the Trust will decrease the capital of the Trust and, therefore, may have the effect of increasing the Trust's expense ratio and decreasing the asset coverage with respect to any borrowings. Any share repurchases or tender offers will be made in accordance with requirements of the Exchange Act, the 1940 Act, and the principal stock exchange on which the common shares are traded. See the Trust's Statement of Additional Information for a discussion of the U.S. federal income tax implications of a repurchase or tender offer by the Trust.

Before deciding whether to take any action if the common shares trade below net asset value, the Board would likely consider all relevant factors, including the extent and duration of the discount, the liquidity of the Trust's portfolio, the impact of any action that might be taken on the Trust or its shareholders and market considerations. Based on these considerations, even if the Trust's shares should trade at a discount, the Board may determine that, in the interest of the Trust and its shareholders, no action should be taken.

## **Tax Matters**

The following discussion is a summary of some of the important U.S. federal income tax considerations generally applicable to an investment in the Trust. Your investment may have other tax implications. The discussion reflects provisions of the Code, existing Treasury regulations, rulings published by the IRS, and other applicable authorities, as of the date of this Prospectus. These authorities may be changed, possibly with retroactive effect, or subject to new legislative, administrative or judicial interpretations. No attempt is made to present a detailed explanation of all U.S. federal, state, local and foreign tax law concerns affecting the Trust and its shareholders, or to address all aspects of taxation that may apply to individual shareholders or to specific types of shareholders, such as foreign persons, that may qualify for special treatment under U.S. federal income tax laws. The discussion set forth herein does not constitute tax advice. Please consult your tax advisor about foreign, federal, state, local or other tax laws applicable to you in light of your particular circumstances. For more information, including for a summary of certain tax consequences to foreign investors of investing in the Trust, please see "Income Tax Considerations" in the SAI.



[Table of Contents](#)**Taxation of the Trust**

The Trust has elected to be treated and intends to qualify annually for treatment as a regulated investment company (a “RIC”) under Subchapter M of the Code, including by complying with the applicable qualifying income and diversification requirements. If the Trust so qualifies and satisfies certain distribution requirements, the Trust generally will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on income and gains that the Trust distributes to its shareholders in a timely manner in the form of dividends, including capital gain dividends (as defined below). As described in “Dividends and Other Distributions” above, the Trust intends to distribute at least annually all or substantially all of its net investment income and net realized capital gains. The Trust will be subject to the Trust-level income tax at regular corporate income tax rates on any taxable income or gains that it does not distribute to its shareholders.

Amounts not distributed on a timely basis in accordance with a calendar year distribution requirement will be subject to a nondeductible 4% U.S. federal excise tax at the Trust level. To avoid the tax, the Trust must distribute during each calendar year an amount at least equal to the sum of (i) 98% of its ordinary income (not taking into account any capital gains or losses) for the calendar year, (ii) 98.2% of its capital gains in excess of its capital losses (adjusted for certain ordinary losses) for a one-year period ending on October 31 of the calendar year, and (iii) any undistributed amounts described in (i) and (ii) above from the prior year on which the Trust paid no U.S. federal income tax. While the Trust intends to distribute any income and capital gain in the manner necessary to minimize imposition of the 4% U.S. federal excise tax, there can be no assurance that sufficient amounts of the Trust’s taxable income and capital gain will be distributed to avoid entirely the imposition of the tax. In that event, the Trust will be liable for the excise tax only on the amount by which it does not meet the foregoing distribution requirement.

Additionally, if for any taxable year the Trust were not to qualify as a RIC, and were ineligible to or otherwise did not cure such failure, all of its taxable income and gain would be subject to the Trust-level tax at regular corporate income tax rates without any deduction for distributions to shareholders. This treatment would reduce the Trust’s net income available for investment or distribution to its shareholders. In addition, all distributions from earnings and profits, including any net long-term capital gains, would be taxable to shareholders as ordinary income. Some portions of such distributions might be eligible for the dividends-received deduction in the case of corporate shareholders or to be treated as “qualified dividend income” in the case of individual shareholders. The Trust also could be required to recognize unrealized gains, pay substantial taxes and interest and make substantial distributions before requalifying as a RIC that is accorded special tax treatment.

The tax rules applicable to certain derivative instruments in which the Trust may invest are uncertain under current law, including the provisions applicable to RICs under Subchapter M of the Code. For instance, the timing and character of income or gains arising from certain derivatives can be uncertain, including for Subchapter M purposes. Accordingly, while the Trust intends to account for such transactions in a manner it deems to be appropriate, an adverse determination or future guidance by the IRS with respect to one or more of these rules (which determination or guidance could be retroactive) may adversely affect the Trust’s ability to meet one or more of the relevant requirements to maintain its qualification as a RIC, as well as to avoid Trust-level taxes.

Certain of the Trust’s investment practices, including entering into futures, options and other derivative transactions, short sales, and its hedging activities, generally, as well as the Trust’s investments in certain types of securities, including certain preferred stock, debt obligations issued or purchased at a discount and foreign debt securities may be subject to special and complex U.S. federal income tax provisions that may, among other things: (i) disallow, suspend or otherwise limit the allowance of certain losses or deductions; (ii) convert lower taxed long-term capital gain or “qualified dividend income” into higher taxed short-term capital gain or ordinary income; (iii) accelerate the recognition of income; (iv) convert short-term losses into long-term losses; (v) cause the Trust to recognize income or gain without a corresponding receipt of cash; (vi) adversely affect the time as to when a purchase or sale of stock or other securities is deemed to occur; (vii) cause adjustments in the holding periods of the Trust’s securities; or (viii) otherwise adversely alter the characterization of certain complex

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financial transactions. These U.S. federal income tax provisions could therefore affect the amount, timing and/or character of distributions to Trust shareholders. In particular, a substantial portion of the Trust's investments in loans and other debt obligations will be treated as having "market discount" and/or "original issue discount" for U.S. federal income tax purposes, which, in some cases, could be significant, and could cause the Trust to recognize income in respect of these investments before, or without receiving, cash representing such income. The Trust intends to monitor its transactions, may make certain tax elections, and may be required to, among other things, dispose of securities (including at a time when it is not advantageous to do so) to mitigate the effect of these provisions, prevent the Trust's disqualification as a RIC, or avoid incurring Trust-level U.S. federal income and/or excise tax.

Investments in below investment grade loans and other debt obligations that are at risk of or in default present special tax issues for the Trust. Tax rules are not entirely clear about issues such as whether and to what extent the Trust should recognize market discount on a distressed debt obligation, when the Trust may cease to accrue interest, original issue discount or market discount, when and to what extent the Trust may take deductions for bad debts or worthless securities and how the Trust should allocate payments received on obligations in default between principal and income. These and other related issues will be addressed by the Trust as necessary, in order to seek to ensure that it distributes sufficient income to preserve its status as a RIC and that it does not become subject to Trust-level U.S. federal income and/or excise taxes.

Special tax rules may change the treatment of gains and losses recognized by the Trust when the Trust invests in certain foreign debt securities or engages in certain foreign currency transactions. The application of these special rules may also affect the timing, amount or character of distributions made by the Trust. Interest and other income, as well as gain or proceeds received by the Trust from investments in foreign securities may be subject to withholding and other taxes imposed by foreign countries on dividends, interest, capital gains or other income or proceeds. Tax treaties between the U.S. and other countries may reduce or eliminate such taxes. Foreign withholding and other taxes paid by the Trust will reduce the return from the Trust's investments. Under some circumstances, the Trust may be eligible to make a special election that generally will require you to include in income your share of any foreign income taxes paid by the Trust or by certain underlying investment companies in which the Trust invests. You may be able either to deduct this amount from your income or claim it as a foreign tax credit. There is no assurance that the Trust will make this special election for a taxable year even if it is eligible to do so.

Dividends paid to you by the Trust from net capital gain realized by the Trust (that is, the excess of any net long-term capital gain over net short-term capital loss, in each case with reference to any loss carryforwards) that the Trust reports as capital gain dividends ("capital gain dividends") generally are treated as long-term capital gain includible in net capital gain and taxable to individuals at reduced rates, regardless of how long you have held your shares. Distributions of investment income reported by the Trust as derived from "qualified dividend income" will be taxed in the hands of individuals at the rates applicable to net capital gains, provided holding periods and other requirements are met at both the shareholder and Trust level. All other dividends paid to you by the Trust (including dividends from short-term capital gain (that is, the excess of any net short-term capital gain over any net long-term capital loss)) from its current or accumulated earnings and profits generally are taxable to you as ordinary income. The Trust generally does not expect a significant portion of its distributions to qualify as qualified dividend income. A 3.8% Medicare contribution tax is imposed on the net investment income of certain individuals, trusts and estates to the extent their income exceeds certain threshold amounts. Net investment income generally includes for this purpose dividends paid by the Trust, including any capital gain dividends, and net gains recognized on the taxable sale, redemption or exchange of shares of the Trust. Shareholders are advised to consult their tax advisors regarding the possible implications of this additional tax on their investment in the Trust.

To the extent that the amount of the Trust's total distributions exceed the Trust's current and accumulated earnings and profits for a taxable year, the excess will generally be treated as a tax-free return of capital up to the amount of your tax basis in the shares. The amount treated as a tax-free return of capital will reduce your tax basis in the shares, thereby increasing the amount of gain or reducing the amount of loss on a subsequent sale of

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the shares. Any amounts distributed to you in excess of your tax basis in the shares will be taxable to you as capital gain. Any such capital gain will be long-term capital gain includible in net capital gain if you have held the applicable Trust shares for more than one year.

Dividends and other taxable distributions are taxable to you as described herein, whether you receive them in cash or reinvest them in additional shares. Dividends and other distributions paid by the Trust generally are treated as received by you at the time the dividend or distribution is made. If, however, the Trust pays you a dividend in January that was declared in the previous October, November or December and you were a shareholder of record on a specified record date in one of those months, then such dividend will be treated for tax purposes as having been paid by the Trust and received by you on December 31 of the year in which the dividend was declared.

The price of shares purchased at any time may reflect the amount of a forthcoming dividend or other distribution. If you purchase shares just prior to a dividend, you may receive a distribution that is taxable to you even though it represents in part a return of your invested capital.

The Trust (or your broker or other financial intermediary through which you own your shares) will send you information after the end of each calendar year setting forth the amount and tax status of any dividends or other distributions paid to you by the Trust. Dividends and other distributions may also be subject to state, local and other taxes.

In addition, any loss realized upon a taxable sale or exchange of Trust shares held (or deemed held) by you for six months or less will be treated as long-term, rather than short-term, to the extent of any capital gain dividends received (or deemed received) by you with respect to those shares. Present law taxes both long-term and short-term capital gains of corporations at the rates applicable to ordinary income.

The Trust (or, if Trust shares are purchased through a Financial Advisor, a Financial Advisor) may be required to withhold, for U.S. federal backup withholding tax purposes, a portion of the dividends and distributions payable to you if: (i) you fail to provide the Trust (or Financial Advisor) with your correct taxpayer identification number (in the case of an individual, generally, such individual's social security number) or to make the required certification; or (ii) the Trust (or Financial Advisor) has been notified by the IRS that you are subject to backup withholding. Certain shareholders are exempt from backup withholding. Backup withholding is not an additional tax and any amount withheld may be refunded or credited against your U.S. federal income tax liability, if any, provided that you furnish the required information to the IRS.

## **REIT Tax Considerations**

### *Requirements for Qualification as a REIT*

To qualify for the beneficial tax regime applicable to REITs, the REIT Subsidiary must meet and continue to meet the requirements described below relating to organization, sources of income, nature of assets and distributions of income to its stockholders.

### *Organizational Requirements*

The Code defines a REIT as a domestic corporation, trust or association:

- (1) which is managed by one or more trustees or directors;
- (2) the beneficial ownership of which is evidenced by transferable shares or by transferable certificates of beneficial interest;
- (3) which would be taxable as a domestic corporation but for Sections 856 through 859 of the Code;

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- (4) which is neither a financial institution nor an insurance company subject to certain provisions of the Code;
- (5) the beneficial ownership of which is held by 100 or more persons;
- (6) not more than 50.0% in value of the outstanding stock of which is owned, directly or indirectly applying various attribution rules, by or for five or fewer individuals (as defined in the Code to include for these purposes certain entities) (the "Not Closely Held Test");
- (7) which makes an election to be a REIT (or has made such election for a previous taxable year which has not been revoked or terminated) and satisfies all relevant filing and other administrative requirements established by the IRS that must be met to elect and maintain REIT status;
- (8) which uses the calendar year as its taxable year; and
- (9) which meets certain other tests, described below, regarding the nature of its income and assets and the amount of its distributions.

The Code provides that conditions (1) through (4), inclusive, must be met during the entire taxable year, that condition (5) must be met during at least 335 days of a taxable year of 12 months, or during a proportionate part of a taxable year of less than 12 months, and that condition (6) must be met during the last half of each taxable year. For purposes of condition (6), the beneficiaries of a pension or profit-sharing trust described in Section 401(a) of the Code, and not the pension or profit-sharing trust itself, are treated as REIT stockholders. Conditions (5) and (6) do not apply to a REIT until the second calendar year in which the REIT qualifies as such. The REIT Subsidiary will be treated as having met condition (6) above for a taxable year if it complied with certain Treasury Regulations for ascertaining the ownership of its stock for such year and if it did not know (or after the exercise of reasonable diligence would not have known) that its stock was sufficiently closely held during such year to cause the REIT Subsidiary to fail condition (6).

The Trust intends to structure and operate the REIT Subsidiary and cause it to conduct its activities in a manner designed to satisfy all of these requirements. However, the application of such requirements is complex, and it is possible that the Internal Revenue Service may interpret or apply those requirements in a manner that jeopardizes the ability of the REIT Subsidiary to satisfy all of the requirements for qualification as a REIT or that the REIT Subsidiary may be unable to satisfy all of the applicable requirements.

### *Distribution Requirements*

To obtain the favorable tax treatment afforded to REITs under the Code, among other things, the REIT Subsidiary generally will be required each year to distribute to its stockholders at least 90% of its REIT taxable income determined without regard to the dividends-paid deduction and excluding net capital gain. To the extent that it does not distribute all of its net capital gains, or distributes at least 90%, but less than 100%, of its REIT taxable income, as adjusted, it will have to pay a corporate-level tax on amounts retained. Furthermore, if it fails to distribute during each calendar year at least the sum of (a) 85% of its ordinary income for that year, (b) 95% of its capital gain net income for that year, and (c) any undistributed taxable income from prior periods, it would have to pay a 4% nondeductible excise tax on the excess of the amounts required to be distributed over the sum of (i) the amounts that it actually distributed and (ii) the amounts it retained and upon which it paid income tax at the corporate level.

These requirements could cause the REIT Subsidiary to distribute amounts that otherwise would be spent on investments in real estate assets, and it is possible that the REIT Subsidiary might be required to borrow funds, possibly at unfavorable rates, or sell assets to fund the required distributions.

For so long as the REIT Subsidiary qualifies as a REIT, generally, the REIT Subsidiary will not have to pay corporate-level U.S. federal income taxes on any income that it distributes to its shareholders from its tax earnings and profits.

[Table of Contents](#)*Failure to Qualify as a REIT*

If the REIT Subsidiary fails to qualify as a REIT for any taxable year and it does not qualify for certain statutory relief provisions, it will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on its taxable income at corporate rates. In addition, it will generally be disqualified from treatment as a REIT for the four taxable years following the year of losing its REIT status. Losing its REIT status will reduce the REIT Subsidiary's net earnings available for investment or distribution to stockholders because of the additional tax liability. In addition, distributions to stockholders will no longer qualify for the dividends paid deduction, and the REIT Subsidiary will no longer be required to make distributions equal to at least 90% of its taxable income. If the REIT Subsidiary fails to qualify as a REIT, it may be required to borrow funds or liquidate some of its investments in order to have funds with which to pay any resulting entity level tax.

Because of the minimum distribution requirements imposed by the Code, REITs tend to be dependent on the acquisition of assets with high positive cash flows. The minimum distribution requirements also tend to limit the degree to which REITs can retain and redeploy capital. These requirements could cause the REIT Subsidiary to distribute amounts that otherwise would be spent on investments in real estate-related assets, and it is possible that it might be required to borrow funds, possibly at unfavorable rates, or sell assets to fund these distributions. REITs are particularly vulnerable to defaults by their borrowers and there are significant limitations on their ability to realize income from property acquired as a result of foreclosure.

THE FOREGOING IS A GENERAL AND ABBREVIATED SUMMARY OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE CODE AND THE TREASURY REGULATIONS IN EFFECT AS THEY DIRECTLY GOVERN THE TAXATION OF THE TRUST AND ITS SHAREHOLDERS. THESE PROVISIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE BY LEGISLATIVE OR ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION, AND ANY SUCH CHANGE MAY BE RETROACTIVE. A MORE COMPLETE DISCUSSION OF THE TAX RULES APPLICABLE TO THE TRUST CAN BE FOUND IN THE STATEMENT OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, WHICH IS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE INTO THIS PROSPECTUS. SHAREHOLDERS ARE URGED TO CONSULT THEIR TAX ADVISERS REGARDING SPECIFIC QUESTIONS AS TO U.S. FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL AND FOREIGN INCOME OR OTHER TAXES.

**Custodian and Transfer Agent**

The custodian of the assets of the Trust and its wholly-owned subsidiaries is Bank of New York Mellon (240 Greenwich Street, New York, New York 10286). The custodian performs custodial services for the Trust. American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC (6201 15th Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11219; telephone (718) 921-8200) serves as the Trust's transfer agent.

**Privacy Principles of the Trust**

The Trust is committed to maintaining the privacy of its shareholders and to safeguarding their non-public personal information. The following information is provided to help you understand what personal information the Trust collects, how the Trust protects that information and why, in certain cases, the Trust may share information with select other parties.

Generally, the Trust does not receive any non-public personal information relating to its shareholders, although certain non-public personal information of its shareholders may become available to the Trust. The Trust does not disclose any non-public personal information about its shareholders or former shareholders to anyone, except as permitted by law or as is necessary in order to service shareholder accounts (for example, to a transfer agent or third party administrator).

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The Trust restricts access to non-public personal information about its shareholders to employees of the Trust's Adviser and its affiliates with a legitimate business need for the information. The Trust maintains physical, electronic and procedural safeguards designed to protect the non-public personal information of its shareholders.

No dealer, salesperson or any other person has been authorized to give any information or to make any representations other than those contained in this Prospectus in connection with the Offer and, if given or made, such information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorized by the Trust or the Adviser. This Prospectus does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of any offer to buy any security other than the common shares of the Trust offered by this Prospectus, nor does it constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of any offer to buy the common shares of the Trust by anyone in any jurisdiction in which such offer or solicitation is not authorized, or in which the person making such offer or solicitation is not qualified to do so, or to any such person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer or solicitation. Neither the delivery of this Prospectus nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that information contained herein is correct as of any time subsequent to the date hereof. However, if any material change occurs while this Prospectus is required by law to be delivered, the Prospectus will be amended or supplemented accordingly.

### **Where You Can Find Additional Information**

We have filed with the Commission a registration statement on Form N-2 together with all amendments and related exhibits under the Securities Act. The registration statement contains additional information about us and the securities being offered by this Prospectus.

We file annual and semi-annual reports, proxy statements and other information with the Commission. You can inspect any materials we file with the Commission, without charge, at the Commission's Public Reference Room at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the Commission at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the Public Reference Room. The information we file with the Commission is available free of charge by contacting us at 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201 or by telephone at 1-877-665-1287. The Commission also maintains a web site that contains reports, proxy statements and other information regarding registrants, including us, that file such information electronically with the Commission. The address of the Commission's web site is [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). Unless specifically incorporated into this Prospectus, documents contained on our web site or on the Commission's web site about us are not incorporated into this Prospectus and should not be considered to be part of this Prospectus.

### **Legal Proceedings**

The Trust and NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund, an affiliated fund, are the beneficiaries of a +\$360 million judgment against Credit Suisse related to a syndicated real estate transaction fraudulently underwritten by Swiss bank. Credit Suisse is appealing the judgment against it. The two funds also are participants in a similar action against Credit Suisse related to five additional real estate deals in which the funds allege Credit Suisse committed fraud in relation to the underwriting. Case or Docket Number: 05-15-01463-CV. Full Names of Principal Parties: Claymore Holdings, LLC v. Credit Suisse AG, Cayman Islands Branch and Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC. The Trust would be entitled to 82% of any net amounts ultimately collected on the judgment against Credit Suisse.

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## **HIGHLAND INCOME FUND**

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**Preferred Shares**

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**Subscription Rights to Purchase Common and Preferred Shares**

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**5,400,000 Shares**

**THE HIGHLAND INCOME FUND**

**5.375% Series A Cumulative Preferred Shares**

**(Liquidation Preference \$25.00 per share)**

**PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT**

**Morgan Stanley  
Jefferies**

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**Highland Income Fund (formerly, Highland Floating Rate Opportunities Fund)  
Statement of Additional Information**

The Highland Income Fund (the “Trust”), formerly, the Highland Floating Rate Opportunities Fund, is a non-diversified, closed-end management investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “1940 Act”). This Statement of Additional Information does not constitute a prospectus, but should be read in conjunction with the Prospectus relating thereto dated July 1, 2019, which is incorporated by reference into this Statement of Additional Information. The common shares of the Trust are listed on the New York Stock Exchange (the “NYSE”) under the symbol HFRO. This Statement of Additional Information does not include all information that a prospective investor should consider before purchasing common or preferred shares, and investors should obtain and read the Prospectus prior to purchasing shares. A copy of the Prospectus may be obtained without charge by calling 1-800-357-9167. You may also obtain a copy of the Prospectus on the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission’s web site [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). Capitalized terms used but not defined in this Statement of Additional Information have the meanings ascribed to them in the Prospectus.

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*This Statement of Additional Information is dated July 1, 2019***USE OF PROCEEDS**

Unless otherwise specified in a Prospectus Supplement, the Trust will invest the net proceeds of any sales of securities (the “Offering”) in accordance with the Trust’s investment objectives and policies as stated below, or use such proceeds for other general corporate purposes. Assuming current market conditions, the Trust estimates that investment of the net proceeds of the Offering will be substantially complete within one to three months of the completion of the Offering. Pending such investment, it is anticipated that the proceeds of the Offering will be invested in cash and/or short-term debt securities or may pay down a portion of the existing borrowing from the Fund’s \$350 million credit facility, which currently bears interest at Libor + 1.35% with a maturity date of February 2, 2020.

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**Fundamental Investment Restrictions.** The following are the fundamental investment restrictions of the Trust, which may not be changed without the approval of the holders of a majority of the outstanding common shares and preferred shares, if any, voting together as a single class, and of the holders of a majority of the outstanding preferred shares, if any, voting as a separate class.

1. The Trust will invest at least 25% or more of the value of its total assets at the time of purchase in the securities of issuers conducting their principal business activities in the real estate industry, provided that: (i) there is no limitation with respect to obligations issued or guaranteed by the U.S. Government, any state or territory of the United States or any of their agencies, instrumentalities or political subdivisions, and investments by the Trust in any such obligations for which the underlying collateral is real estate will count towards compliance with the 25% limitation; and (ii) notwithstanding this limitation, assets may be invested in the securities of one or more management investment companies or subsidiaries to the extent permitted by the 1940 Act, the rules and regulations thereunder and any applicable exemptive relief;

The Trust may not:

2. Issue senior securities or borrow in excess of the amounts permitted by the 1940 Act<sup>1</sup>;
3. Underwrite securities of other issuers, except to the extent that the Trust, in disposing of Trust securities, may be deemed an underwriter within the meaning of the 1933 Act;
4. Purchase or sell real estate, except that the Trust may (a) invest in securities or other instruments directly or indirectly secured by real estate, (b) invest in securities or other instruments issued by issuers that invest in real estate, and (c) hold for prompt sale, real estate or interests in real estate to which it may gain an ownership interest through the forfeiture of collateral securing loans or debt securities held by it;
5. Purchase or sell commodities or commodity contracts, but this shall not prevent the Trust from purchasing, selling and entering into financial futures contracts (including futures contracts on indices of securities, interest rates and currencies), options on financial futures contracts (including futures contracts on indices of securities, interest rates and currencies), warrants, swaps, forward contracts, foreign currency spot and forward contracts or other derivative instruments that are not related to physical commodities; and
6. Lend any property or make any loan if, as a result, more than 33 1/3% of its total assets would be loaned to other parties (including the value of collateral received for loans of portfolio securities), but this limitation does not apply to the purchase of debt securities and other Senior Loans in which it is authorized to invest in accordance with its investment objective and policies or to repurchase agreements.

For purposes of fundamental investment restriction number 5 above, at the time of the establishment of the restriction, swap contracts on financial instruments or rates were not within the understanding of the terms “commodities” or “commodity contracts,” and notwithstanding any federal legislation or regulatory action by the CFTC that subject such swaps to regulation by the CFTC, the Trust will not consider such instruments to be commodities or commodity contracts for purposes of this restriction.

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<sup>1</sup> Under the 1940 Act, the Trust may not issue senior securities or borrow in excess of 33 1/3% of the Trust’s total assets (after giving effect to any such borrowing), which amount excludes borrowing for temporary purposes and in an amount not more than 5% of the Trust’s total assets at the time borrowing is made.

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For assets invested in senior loans and loan participations where the Trust does not assume a contractual lending relationship with the borrower, the Trust will treat both the financial intermediary and the ultimate borrower as issuers when applying the Trust's industry concentration policy.

The Trust may become subject to rating agency guidelines that are more limiting than its current investment restrictions in order to obtain and maintain a desired rating on its preferred shares.

**Non-Fundamental Investment Restrictions.** The Trust is also subject to the following non-fundamental investment restrictions and policies that may be changed by the Board without shareholder approval.

The Trust may not:

1. Acquire securities of investment companies that are not part of the same group of investment companies ("other investment companies"), except as permitted by applicable law (currently under the 1940 Act, in addition to any investments permitted by exemptive relief, the Trust may invest up to 10% of its total assets in the aggregate in shares of other investment companies and up to 5% of its total assets in any one other investment company, provided that any investment does not result in the Trust owning more than 3% of the voting stock of the acquired investment company at the time such shares are purchased); or
2. Borrow on margin, notwithstanding fundamental investment restriction number 2, unless such activity is permitted by applicable law.

In addition, to comply with the federal tax requirements for qualification as a registered investment company, the Trust's investments must meet certain diversification requirements. See "Tax Matters."

For purposes of this Statement of Additional Information, a "majority of the outstanding" shares means (a) 67% or more of the Trust's outstanding voting securities present at a meeting, if the holders of more than 50% of its outstanding voting securities are present or represented by proxy, or (b) more than 50% of its outstanding voting securities, whichever is less.

The percentage limitations applicable to the Trust's portfolio described in the Prospectus and this Statement of Additional Information apply only at the time of investment, except that the percentage limitation with respect to borrowing applies at all times, and the Trust will not be required to sell securities due to subsequent changes in the value of securities it owns.

## **INVESTMENT POLICIES AND TECHNIQUES**

The following information supplements the discussion of the Trust's investment objectives, policies and techniques that are described in the Prospectus.

The Trust's investment objective is to provide a high level of current income, consistent with preservation of capital. The Trust seeks to achieve its objective by investing directly and indirectly (e.g., through derivatives that are the economic equivalent of direct investments) in the following categories of securities and instruments: (i) floating rate loans and other securities deemed to be floating rate investments; (ii) investments in securities or other instruments directly or indirectly secured by real estate, including real estate investment trusts ("REITs"), preferred equity, securities convertible into equity securities and mezzanine debt; and (iii) other instruments, including, but not limited to, secured and unsecured fixed-rate loans and corporate bonds, distressed securities, mezzanine securities, structured products (including but not limited to mortgage-backed securities, collateralized loan obligations and asset-backed securities), convertible and preferred securities, equities (public and private), and futures and options. The Trust seeks to achieve its objective by investing at least 25% of its assets in investments in securities or other instruments directly or indirectly secured by real estate (including real estate investment trusts ("REITs"), preferred equity, securities convertible into equity securities and mezzanine debt).

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The principal investment objectives of the Trust are not fundamental and can be changed without the approval of a majority of the outstanding voting shares of beneficial interest of the Trust. Certain investment restrictions are fundamental and cannot be changed without shareholder approval. In contrast, certain other investment restrictions, as well as the investment policies, of the Trust are not fundamental and may be changed by the Trust's Board of Trustees (the "Board") without shareholder approval.

There can be no assurance that the Trust will achieve its investment objective. Investors should not consider the one Trust alone to be a complete investment program. The Trust is subject to the risk of changing economic conditions, as well as the risk inherent in the ability of the portfolio managers to make changes in the composition of the Trust in anticipation of changes in economic, business and financial conditions. As with any security, a risk of loss is inherent in an investment in the shares of the Trust. The securities, investments, and investment practices used by the Trust all have attendant risks of varying degrees. For example, with respect to equity securities, there can be no assurance of capital appreciation and there is a substantial risk of decline. With respect to debt securities, there exists the risk that the issuer of a security may not be able to meet its obligations on interest or principal payments at the time required by the instrument. In addition, the value of debt instruments generally rise and fall inversely with prevailing current interest rates. As described below, an investment in the Trust entails special additional risks as a result of its ability to invest a substantial portion of their assets in foreign securities.

Supplemental information concerning certain of the securities and other instruments in which the Trust may invest, the investment policies and strategies that the Trust may utilize and certain risks attendant to those investments, policies and strategies is provided below. The following is a description of investment strategies and risks for the Trust. Unless otherwise indicated, the Trust is permitted to engage in the following investment strategies and techniques. The Trust is not obligated to pursue the following strategies or techniques and does not represent that these strategies or techniques are available now or will be available at any time in the future. The Trust will not purchase all of the following types of securities or employ all of the following strategies unless doing so is consistent with its investment objective.

In addition to the principal investments described in the Prospectus, Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P. ("HCMFA" or the "Adviser"), may also invest some of the Trust's assets in short-term U.S. government obligations, certificates of deposit, commercial paper and other money market instruments, including repurchase agreements with respect to such obligations, to enable the Trust to make investments quickly and to serve as collateral with respect to certain of their investments. However, if the Adviser believes that a defensive position is appropriate because of expected economic or business conditions or the outlook for security prices, a greater percentage of the Trust's assets may be invested in such obligations. The Trust may purchase securities on a when-issued or forward commitment basis, engage in securities lending activities, and invest up to 33 1/3% of its total assets in reverse repurchase agreements when aggregated with all other borrowings (other than temporary borrowings). The Trust may also invest up to 100% of its assets (in high yield bonds (also known as "junk bonds") which are bonds typically rated below investment grade by one or more nationally recognized statistical ratings organizations ("NRSROs"). NRSROs generally regard high-yield debt securities as predominately speculative with respect to ability to pay interest and repay principal and riskier than higher-rated debt securities. Appendix A contains additional information concerning the characteristics of the ratings used by certain NRSROs. From time to time, in the sole discretion of the Adviser, cash balances of the Trust may be placed in a money market fund or investments may be made in shares of other investment companies, subject to the applicable limits under the 1940 Act.

The Trust is a non-diversified fund as defined in the 1940 Act, but it intends to adhere to the diversification requirements applicable to regulated investment companies ("RICs") under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). The Trust is not intended to be a complete investment program.

*Financial Futures.* The Trust is sponsored by the Adviser, which is registered as a "commodity pool operator" and "commodity trading adviser" under the Commodity Exchange Act ("CEA"). However, pursuant to Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the "CFTC") Rule 4.5, the Adviser has claimed an exclusion from the definition of the term "commodity pool operator" under the CEA; therefore, the Adviser, with respect to the Trust, is not subject to registration or regulation as a "commodity pool operator" under the CEA. To remain eligible for the exclusion under CFTC Rule 4.5, the Trust will be limited in its ability to use certain derivative

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instruments regulated under the CEA (“commodity interests”), including futures, swaps and options on futures. In the event that the Trust’s investments in commodity interests exceed a certain threshold, the Adviser may be required to register as a “commodity pool operator” and/or “commodity trading advisor” with the CFTC with respect to the Trust. The Adviser’s eligibility to claim the exclusion with respect to the Trust will be based upon the level and scope of the Trust’s investment in commodity interests, the purposes of such investments and the manner in which the Trust holds out its use of commodity interests. For example, CFTC Rule 4.5 requires the Trust with respect to which the sponsor is claiming the exclusion to, among other things, satisfy one of the two following trading thresholds: (i) the aggregate initial margin and premiums required to establish positions in commodity interests cannot exceed 5% of the liquidation value of the fund’s portfolio, after taking into account unrealized profits and unrealized losses; or (ii) the aggregate net notional value of commodity interests not used solely for “bona fide hedging purposes,” determined at the time the most recent position was established, cannot generally exceed 100% of the liquidation value of the fund’s portfolio, after taking into account unrealized profits and unrealized losses on any such positions it has entered into. In the event the Trust becomes unable to rely on the exclusion in Rule 4.5 and the Adviser is required to register with the CFTC as a commodity pool operator with respect to that Trust, the Trust’s expenses may increase.

The CFTC and certain futures exchanges have established limits, referred to as “position limits,” on the maximum net long or net short positions which any person may hold or control in particular options and futures contracts; those position limits may in the future also apply to certain other derivatives positions the Trust may wish to take. All positions owned or controlled by the same person or entity, even if in different accounts, may in the future be aggregated for purposes of determining whether the applicable position limits have been exceeded. Thus, even if the Trust does not intend to exceed applicable position limits, it is possible that different clients managed by the Adviser and its affiliates may be aggregated for this purpose. Therefore, it is possible that in the future the trading decisions of the Adviser may have to be modified and that positions held by the Trust may have to be liquidated in order to avoid exceeding such limits. The modification of investment decisions or the elimination of open positions, if it occurs, may adversely affect the performance of the Trust.

## **Fixed-Income and Other Debt Securities**

Fixed-income and other debt instrument securities include all bonds, high yield or “junk” bonds, municipal bonds, debentures, U.S. Government securities, mortgage-related securities, zero coupon securities and custodial receipts. The market value of fixed-income obligations of the Trust will be affected by general changes in interest rates, which will result in increases or decreases in the value of the obligations held by the Trust. The market value of the fixed-income obligations held by the Trust can be expected to vary inversely to changes in prevailing interest rates. As a result, shareholders should anticipate that the market value of the fixed-income obligations held by the Trust generally will increase when prevailing interest rates are declining and generally will decrease when prevailing interest rates are rising. Shareholders also should recognize that, in periods of declining interest rates, the Trust’s yield will tend to be somewhat higher than prevailing market rates and, in periods of rising interest rates, the Trust’s yield will tend to be somewhat lower. Also, when interest rates are falling, the inflow of net new money to the Trust from the continuous sale of its shares will tend to be invested in instruments producing lower yields than the balance of its portfolio, thereby reducing the Trust’s current yield. In periods of rising interest rates, the opposite can be expected to occur. In addition, securities in which the Trust may invest may not yield as high a level of current income as might be achieved by investing in securities with less liquidity, less creditworthiness or longer maturities.

Ratings made available by NRSROs are relative and subjective and are not absolute standards of quality. Although these ratings are initial criteria for selection of portfolio investments, the Adviser also will make its own evaluation of these securities. Among the factors that will be considered are the long-term ability of the issuers to pay principal and interest and general economic trends.

Fixed-income securities may be purchased on a when-issued or delayed-delivery basis. See “When-Issued Securities and Forward Commitments” below.

The Trust may invest in certain high yield securities known as mezzanine investments, which are subordinated debt securities which are generally issued in private placements in connection with an equity security (e.g., with attached warrants). Such mezzanine investments may be issued with or without registration rights. Similar to other high yield securities, maturities of mezzanine investments are typically seven to ten years, but the expected average life is significantly shorter at three to five years. Mezzanine investments are usually unsecured and subordinate to other obligations of the issuer.

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Floating rate investments are debt obligations of companies or other entities, the interest rates of which float or vary periodically based upon a benchmark indicator of prevailing interest rates.

*Floating Rate Investments.* Floating rate investments may include, by way of example, floating rate debt securities, money market securities of all types, repurchase agreements with remaining maturities of no more than 60 days, collateralized loan obligations and asset backed securities. The reference in the Trust's investment objective to capital preservation does not indicate that the Trust may not lose money. HCMFA seeks to employ strategies that are consistent with capital preservation, but there can be no assurance that the Adviser will be successful in doing so. In making floating rate investments for the Trust, the Trust's Adviser will seek to purchase instruments that it believes are undervalued or will provide attractive income, while attempting to minimize losses.

Floating rate loans in which the Trust invests are expected to be adjustable rate senior loans ("Senior Loans") to domestic or foreign corporations, partnerships and other entities that operate in a variety of industries and geographic regions ("Borrowers"). Senior Loans are business loans that have a right to payment senior to most other debts of the Borrower. Senior Loans generally are arranged through private negotiations between a Borrower and several financial institutions (the "Lenders") represented in each case by one or more such Lenders acting as agent (the "Agent") of the several Lenders. On behalf of the Lenders, the Agent is primarily responsible for negotiating the loan agreement ("Loan Agreement") that establishes the relative terms and conditions of the Senior Loan and rights of the Borrower and the Lenders.

The Trust may invest in securities of any credit quality. Senior Loans are typically below investment grade securities (also known as "high yield securities" or "junk securities"). Such securities are rated below investment grade by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization ("NRSRO") or are unrated but deemed by the Adviser to be of comparable quality. The Trust may invest without limitation in below investment grade or unrated securities, including in insolvent borrowers or borrowers in default.

The Trust may invest in participations ("Participations") in Senior Loans, may purchase assignments ("Assignments") of portions of Senior Loans from third parties, and may act as one of a group of Lenders originating a Senior Loan ("Primary Lender"). Senior Loans often are secured by specific assets of the Borrower, although the Trust may invest without limitation in Senior Loans that are not secured by any collateral. When the Trust acts as a Primary Lender, the Trust or the Adviser could be subject to allegations of lender liability. Senior Loans in which the Trust invests generally pay interest at rates that are periodically redetermined by reference to a base lending rate plus a spread.

*Commercial Paper.* Commercial paper consists of short-term (usually from 1 to 270 days) unsecured promissory notes issued by corporations in order to finance their current operations. A variable amount master demand note (which is a type of commercial paper) represents a direct borrowing arrangement involving periodically fluctuating rates of interest under a letter agreement between a commercial paper issuer and an institutional lender pursuant to which the lender may determine to invest varying amounts.

*Medium-, Lower-Rated and Unrated Securities.* Securities rated in the fourth highest category by a NRSRO, although considered investment grade, may possess speculative characteristics, and changes in economic or other conditions are more likely to impair the ability of issuers of these securities to make interest and principal payments than is the case with respect to issuers of higher grade bonds.

Generally, medium- or lower-rated securities and unrated securities of comparable quality, sometimes referred to as "junk bonds," offer a higher current yield than is offered by higher rated securities, but also (i) will likely have some quality and protective characteristics that, in the judgment of the rating organizations, are outweighed by large uncertainties or major risk exposures to adverse conditions and (ii) are predominantly speculative with respect to the issuer's capacity to pay interest and repay principal in accordance with the terms of the obligation. The yield of junk bonds will fluctuate over time.

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The market values of certain of these securities also tend to be more sensitive to individual corporate developments and changes in economic conditions than higher quality bonds. In addition, medium- and lower-rated securities and comparable unrated securities generally present a higher degree of credit risk. The risk of loss due to default by these issuers is significantly greater because medium- and lower-rated securities, and unrated securities of comparable quality, generally are unsecured and frequently are subordinated to the prior payment of senior indebtedness. Since the risk of default is higher for lower-rated debt securities, the Adviser's research and credit analysis are an especially important part of managing securities of this type held by the Trust.

In addition, the market for securities in lower-rated categories is more volatile than that for higher-rated securities, and the markets in which medium- and lower-rated or unrated securities are traded are more limited than those in which higher-rated securities are traded. The existence of limited markets may make it more difficult for the Trust to obtain accurate market quotations for purposes of valuing its portfolio and calculating its net asset value. Moreover, the lack of a liquid trading market may restrict the availability of securities for the Trust to purchase and may also have the effect of limiting the ability of the Trust to sell securities at their fair value either to meet redemption requests or to respond to changes in the economy or the financial markets.

Lower-rated debt obligations also present risks based on payment expectations. If an issuer calls the obligation for redemption, the Trust may have to replace the security with a lower yielding security, resulting in a decreased return for shareholders. Also, as the principal value of bonds moves inversely with movements in interest rates, in the event of rising interest rates the value of the securities held by the Trust may decline relatively proportionately more than a portfolio consisting of higher rated securities. If the Trust experiences unexpected net redemptions, it may be forced to sell its higher rated bonds, resulting in a decline in the overall credit quality of the securities held by the Trust and increasing the exposure of the Trust to the risks of lower rated securities. Investments in zero coupon bonds may be more speculative and subject to greater fluctuations in value due to changes in interest rates than bonds that pay interest currently.

Subsequent to its purchase by the Trust, an issue of securities may cease to be rated or its rating may be reduced. Neither event will require sale of these securities by the Trust, but the Adviser will consider this event in its determination of whether the Trust should continue to hold the securities.

The market for lower-rated debt securities may be thinner and less active than that for higher rated debt securities, which can adversely affect the prices at which the former are sold. If market quotations are not available, lower-rated debt securities will be valued in accordance with procedures established by the Board, including the use of outside pricing services. Judgment plays a greater role in valuing high yield corporate debt securities than is the case for securities for which more external sources for quotations and last sale information is available. Adverse publicity and changing investor perception may affect the ability of outside pricing services to value lower-rated debt securities and the ability to dispose of these securities.

In considering investments for the Trust, the Adviser will attempt to identify those issuers of high yielding debt securities whose financial condition is adequate to meet future obligations or has improved or is expected to improve in the future. The analysis of the Adviser focuses on relative values based on such factors as interest or dividend coverage, asset coverage, earnings prospects and the experience and managerial strength of the issuer.

The Trust may choose, at its expense or in conjunction with others, to pursue litigation or otherwise exercise its rights as a security holder to seek to protect the interest of security holders if it determines this to be in the best interest of the Trust.

Investments in high-yield debt obligations or other distressed debt obligations that are at risk of or in default present special tax issues for the Trust investing in or holding such securities. Tax rules are not entirely clear about issues such as whether or to what extent the Trust should recognize market discount on a debt obligation, when the Trust may cease to accrue interest, OID or market discount, when and to what extent the Trust may take deductions for bad debts or worthless securities and how the Trust should allocate payments received on obligations in default between principal and income. These and other related issues will be addressed by the Trust as necessary, in order to seek to ensure that it distributes sufficient income to preserve its eligibility for treatment as a RIC and does not become subject to U.S. federal income or excise tax.



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A portion of the OID paid or accrued on certain high-yield discount obligations owned by the Trust may not be deductible to the issuer and will instead be treated as a dividend paid by the issuer for purposes of the dividends-received deduction. In such cases, if the issuer of the obligation is a domestic corporation, dividend payments by the Trust may be eligible for the dividends-received deduction to the extent of the deemed dividend portion of such OID.

Very generally, where the Trust purchases a bond at a price that exceeds the redemption price at maturity – that is, at a premium – the premium is amortizable over the remaining term of the bond. In the case of a taxable bond, if the Trust makes an election applicable to all such bonds it purchases, which election is irrevocable without consent of the IRS, the Trust reduces the current taxable income from the bond by the amortized premium and reduces its tax basis in the bond by the amount of such offset; upon the disposition or maturity of such bonds acquired on or after January 4, 2013, the Trust is permitted to deduct any remaining premium allocable to a prior period. In the case of a tax-exempt bond, tax rules require the Trust to reduce its tax basis by the amount of amortized premium.

*Certificates of Deposit, Bankers' Acceptances and Time Deposits.* Certificates of deposit are receipts issued by a depository institution in exchange for the deposit of Trust. The issuer agrees to pay the amount deposited plus interest to the bearer of the receipt on the date specified on the certificate. The certificate usually can be traded in the secondary market prior to maturity. Bankers' acceptances typically arise from short-term credit arrangements designed to enable businesses to obtain funds to finance commercial transactions. Generally, an acceptance is a time draft drawn on a bank by an exporter or an importer to obtain a stated amount of funds to pay for specific merchandise. The draft is then "accepted" by a bank that, in effect, unconditionally guarantees to pay the face value of the instrument on its maturity date. The acceptance may then be held by the accepting bank as an earning asset or it may be sold in the secondary market at the going rate of discount for a specific maturity. Although maturities for acceptances can be as long as 270 days, most acceptances have maturities of six months or less. Time deposits are non-negotiable deposits maintained in a banking institution for a specified period of time at a stated interest rate.

*U.S. Government Securities.* U.S. Government securities are obligations issued or guaranteed by the U.S. Government, its agencies, authorities or instrumentalities. Some U.S. Government securities, such as U.S. Treasury bills, Treasury notes and Treasury bonds, which differ only in their interest rates, maturities and times of issuance, are supported by the full faith and credit of the United States. Others are supported by: (i) the right of the issuer to borrow from the U.S. Treasury, such as securities of the Federal Home Loan Banks; (ii) the discretionary authority of the U.S. Government to purchase the agency's obligations, such as securities of the Federal National Mortgage Association or (iii) only the credit of the issuer, such as securities of the Student Loan Marketing Association. No assurance can be given that the U.S. Government will provide financial support in the future to U.S. Government agencies, authorities or instrumentalities that are not supported by the full faith and credit of the United States. To the extent the Trust invests in U.S. Government securities that are not backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Treasury, such investments may involve a greater risk of loss of principal and interest since the Trust must look principally or solely to the issuing or guaranteeing agency or instrumentality for repayment.

Securities guaranteed as to principal and interest by the U.S. Government, its agencies, authorities or instrumentalities include: (i) securities for which the payment of principal and interest is backed by an irrevocable letter of credit issued by the U.S. Government or any of its agencies, authorities or instrumentalities; and (ii) participation interests in loans made to foreign governments or other entities that are so guaranteed. The secondary market for certain of these participation interests is limited and, therefore, may be regarded as illiquid.

*U.S. Treasury Bills.* U.S. Treasury Bills are issued with maturities of up to one year. Three month bills are currently offered by the Treasury on a 13-week cycle and are auctioned each week by the Treasury. Bills are issued in bearer form only and are sold only on a discount basis, and the difference between the purchase price and the maturity value (or the resale price if they are sold before maturity) constitutes the interest income for the investor.

*Mortgage-Related Securities.* There are several risks associated with mortgage-related securities. One is that the monthly cash inflow from the underlying loans may not be sufficient to meet the monthly payment requirements of the mortgage-related security. Prepayment of principal by mortgagors or mortgage foreclosures will shorten the term of the underlying mortgage pool for a mortgage-related security. Early returns of principal will affect the average life of the mortgage-related securities remaining in the Trust. The occurrence of mortgage prepayments is affected by factors including the level of interest rates, general economic conditions, the location and age of the

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mortgage and other social and demographic conditions. In periods of rising interest rates, the rate of prepayment tends to decrease, thereby lengthening the average life of a pool of mortgage-related securities. Conversely, in periods of falling interest rates, the rate of prepayment tends to increase, thereby shortening the average life of a pool. Reinvestment of prepayments may occur at higher or lower interest rates than the original investment, thus affecting the yield of the Trust. Because prepayments of principal generally occur when interest rates are declining, it is likely that the Trust will have to reinvest the proceeds of prepayments at lower interest rates than those at which the assets were previously invested. If this occurs, the Trust's yield will correspondingly decline. Thus, mortgage-related securities may have less potential for capital appreciation in periods of falling interest rates than other fixed-income securities of comparable maturity, although these securities may have a comparable risk of decline in market value in periods of rising interest rates. To the extent that the Trust purchases mortgage-related securities at a premium, unscheduled prepayments, which are made at par, will result in a loss equal to any unamortized premium.

Collateralized Bond Obligations ("CBOs"), Collateralized Loan Obligations ("CLOs") and Other Collateralized Debt Obligations ("CDOs"). The Trust may invest in CBOs, CLOs and other CDOs, which are debt instruments backed solely by a pool of other debt securities. The risks of an investment in a CBO, CLO or other CDO depend largely on the type of the collateral securities (which would have the risks described elsewhere in this document for that type of security) and the class of the CBO, CLO or other CDO in which the Trust invests. Some CBOs, CLOs and other CDOs have credit ratings, but are typically issued in various classes with various priorities. Normally, CBOs, CLOs and other CDOs are privately offered and sold (that is, not registered under the securities laws) and may be characterized by the Trust as illiquid securities, but an active dealer market may exist for CBOs, CLOs and other CDOs that qualify for Rule 144A transactions. In addition to the normal interest rate, default and other risks of fixed income securities discussed elsewhere in this document, CBOs, CLOs and other CDOs carry additional risks, including the possibility that distributions from collateral securities will not be adequate to make interest or other payments, the quality of the collateral may decline in value or default, the Trust may invest in CBOs, CLOs or other CDOs that are subordinate to other classes, volatility in values, and the complex structure of the security may not be fully understood at the time of investment and produce disputes with the issuer or unexpected investment results.

Collateralized Mortgage Obligations ("CMOs") are obligations fully collateralized by a portfolio of mortgages or mortgage-related securities. Payments of principal and interest on the mortgages are passed through to the holders of the CMOs on the same schedule as they are received, although certain classes of CMOs have priority over others with respect to the receipt of prepayments on the mortgages. Therefore, depending on the type of CMOs in which the Trust invests, the investment may be subject to a greater or lesser risk of prepayment than other types of mortgage-related securities.

Mortgage-related securities may not be readily marketable. To the extent any of these securities are not readily marketable in the judgment of the Adviser, the Trust's restrictions on investments in illiquid instruments will apply.

*Asset-Backed and Receivable-Backed Securities.* The Trust may invest in securities issued by trusts and special purpose corporations with principal and interest payouts backed by, or supported by, any of various types of assets. These assets typically include receivables related to the purchase of automobiles, credit card loans, and home equity loans. These securities generally take the form of a structured type of security, including pass-through, pay-through, and stripped interest payout structures similar to the Collateralized Mortgage Obligation or CMO structure. Investments in these and other types of asset-backed securities must be consistent with the investment objectives and policies of the Trust.

The yield characteristics of asset-backed securities differ from traditional debt securities. Among the major differences are that interest and principal payments are made more frequently, usually monthly, and that principal may be prepaid at any time because the underlying assets generally may be prepaid at any time. As a result, if the Trust purchases such a security at a premium, a prepayment rate that is faster than expected will reduce yield to maturity, while a prepayment rate that is slower than expected will have the opposite effect of increasing yield to maturity. Alternatively, if the Trust purchases these securities at a discount, faster than expected prepayments will increase, while slower than expected prepayments will reduce, yield to maturity. The portfolio manager will seek to manage these risks (and potential benefits) by diversifying its investments in such securities and through hedging techniques.

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Asset-backed securities involve certain risks that are not posed by other types of CMO securities, resulting mainly from the fact that asset-backed securities do not usually contain the complete benefit of a security interest in the related collateral. For example, credit card receivables generally are unsecured and the debtors are entitled to the protection of a number of state and Federal consumer credit laws, some of which may reduce the ability to obtain full payment. In the case of automobile receivables, due to various legal and economic factors, proceeds from repossessed collateral may not always be sufficient to support payments on these securities.

*Zero Coupon Securities.* Zero coupon U.S. Government securities are debt obligations that are issued or purchased at a significant discount from face value. The discount approximates the total amount of interest the security will accrue and compound over the period until maturity or the particular interest payment date at a rate of interest reflecting the market rate of the security at the time of issuance. Zero coupon securities do not require the periodic payment of interest. These investments benefit the issuer by mitigating its need for cash to meet debt service, but also require a higher rate of return to attract investors who are willing to defer receipt of cash. These investments may experience greater volatility in market value than U.S. Government securities that make regular payments of interest. The Trust accrues income on these investments for tax and accounting purposes, which must be distributed to shareholders in order to avoid taxation. Because no cash is received at the time of accrual, the Trust may be required to liquidate other portfolio securities (including when it is not advantageous to do so) to satisfy the Trust's distribution obligations (see "Income Tax Considerations" below), in which case the Trust will forego the purchase of additional income producing assets. Zero coupon securities include Separately Traded Registered Interest and Principal Securities ("STRIPS"). STRIPS are securities underwritten by securities dealers or banks that evidence ownership of future interest payments, principal payments or both on certain notes or bonds issued by the U.S. Government, its agencies, authorities or instrumentalities. They also include Coupons Under Book Entry Safekeeping ("CUBES"), which are component parts of U.S. Treasury bonds and represent scheduled interest and principal payments on the bonds.

*Custodial Receipts.* Custodial receipts or certificates include Certificates of Accrual on Treasury Securities ("CATS"), Treasury Investment Growth Receipts ("TIGRs") and Financial Corporation certificates ("FICO Strips"). CATS, TIGRs and FICO Strips are securities underwritten by securities dealers or banks that evidence ownership of future interest payments, principal payments or both on certain notes or bonds issued by the U.S. Government, its agencies, authorities or instrumentalities. The underwriters of these certificates or receipts purchase a U.S. Government security and deposit the security in an irrevocable Trust or custodial account with a custodian bank, which then issues receipts or certificates that evidence ownership of the periodic unmatured coupon payments and the final principal payment on the U.S. Government security. Custodial receipts evidencing specific coupon or principal payments have the same general attributes as zero coupon U.S. Government securities, described above. Although typically under the terms of a custodial receipt the Trust is authorized to assert its rights directly against the issuer of the underlying obligation, the Trust may be required to assert through the custodian bank such rights as may exist against the underlying issuer. Thus, if the underlying issuer fails to pay principal and/or interest when due, the Trust may be subject to delays, expenses and risks that are greater than those that would have been involved if the Trust had purchased a direct obligation of the issuer. In addition, if the Trust or custodial account in which the underlying security has been deposited were determined to be an association taxable as a corporation, instead of a non-taxable entity, the yield on the underlying security would be reduced in respect of any taxes paid.

*Loans and Other Direct Debt Instruments.* These are instruments in amounts owed by a corporate, governmental or other borrower to another party. They may represent amounts owed to lenders or lending syndicates (loans and loan participations), to suppliers of goods or services (trade claims or other receivables) or to other parties. Direct debt instruments purchased by the Trust may have a maturity of any number of days or years, may be secured or unsecured, and may be of any credit quality. Direct debt instruments involve the risk of loss in the case of default or insolvency of the borrower. Direct debt instruments may offer less legal protection to the Trust in the event of fraud or misrepresentation. In addition, loan participations involve a risk of insolvency of the lending bank or other financial intermediary. Direct debt instruments also may include standby financing commitments that obligate the Trust to supply additional cash to the borrower on demand at a time when the Trust would not have otherwise done so, even if the borrower's condition makes it unlikely that the amount will ever be repaid.

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Because loans are not ordinarily registered with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) or any state securities commission or listed on any securities exchange, there is usually less publicly available information about such instruments. In addition, loans may not be considered “securities” for purposes of the anti-fraud provisions under the federal securities laws and, as a result, as a purchaser of these instruments, the Trust may not be entitled to the anti-fraud protections of the federal securities laws. In the course of investing in such instruments, the Trust may come into possession of material nonpublic information and, because of prohibitions on trading in securities of issuers while in possession of such information, the Trust may be unable to enter into a transaction in a publicly-traded security of that issuer when it would otherwise be advantageous for the Trust to do so. Alternatively, the Trust may choose not to receive material nonpublic information about an issuer of such loans, with the result that the Trust may have less information about such issuers than other investors who transact in such assets.

## **Real Estate Investments**

Investments in the real estate industry involve particular risks. The real estate industry has been subject to substantial fluctuations and declines on a local, regional and national basis in the past and may continue to be in the future. Real property values and income from real property may decline due to general and local economic conditions, overbuilding and increased competition, increases in property taxes and operating expenses, changes in zoning laws, casualty or condemnation losses, regulatory limitations on rents, changes in neighborhoods and in demographics, increases in market interest rates, or other factors. Factors such as these may adversely affect companies that own and operate real estate directly, companies that lend to such companies, and companies that service the real estate industry.

The Trust defines securities of issuers conducting their principal business activities in the real estate industry to include common stock, convertible or non-convertible preferred stock, warrants, convertible or non-convertible secured or unsecured debt, and partnership or membership interests issued by:

- commercial mortgage-backed securities (“CMBS”), residential mortgage-backed securities (“RMBS”) and other real estate credit investments, which include existing first and second mortgages on real estate, either originated or acquired in the secondary market, and secured, unsecured and/or convertible notes offered by real estate operating companies (“REOCs”) and REITs;
- publicly traded REITs managed by affiliated or unaffiliated asset managers and their foreign equivalents (“Public REITs”);
- REOCs;
- private real estate investment funds managed by affiliated or unaffiliated institutional asset managers (“Private Real Estate Investment Funds”);
- registered closed-end funds that invest principally in real estate (collectively, “Public Investment Funds”);
- real estate exchange traded funds (“ETFs”); and
- publicly-registered non-traded REITs (“Non-Traded REITs”) and private REITs, generally wholly-owned by the Trust or wholly-owned or managed by an affiliate.

*Real Estate Investment Trusts.* The Trust may invest in REITs. REITs are pooled investment vehicles that invest primarily in income-producing real estate or real estate-related loans or interests, and REOCs are companies that invest in real estate and whose shares trade on public exchanges. Foreign REIT equivalents are entities located in jurisdictions that have adopted legislation substantially similar to the REIT tax provisions in that they provide for favorable tax treatment for the foreign REIT equivalent and require distributions of income to shareholders. The Trust may enter into certain real estate and real-estate related investments through its wholly-owned REIT subsidiary, NFRO REIT Sub, LLC (the “REIT Subsidiary”). With respect to the Trust’s real estate investments, the Adviser seeks to: (i) recognize and allocate capital based upon where the Adviser believes we are in the current real estate cycle, and as a result (ii) minimize drawdowns during market downturns and maximize risk adjusted returns during all market cycles, though there can be no assurance that this strategy will achieve this objective. The Trust will rely on the expertise of the Adviser and its affiliates to determine the appropriate structure for structured credit investments, which may include bridge loans, common and preferred equity or other debt-like positions, as well as the acquisition of such instruments from banks, servicers or other third parties.

Preferred equity and mezzanine investments in real estate transactions come in various forms which may or may not be documented in the borrower’s organizational documents. Generally, real estate preferred equity and/or mezzanine investments are typically junior to first mortgage financing but senior to the borrower’s or sponsor’s

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equity contribution. The investments are typically structured as an investment by a third-party investor in the real estate owner or various affiliates in the chain of ownership in exchange for a direct or indirect ownership interest in the real estate owner entitling it to a preferred/priority return on its investment. Sometimes, the investment is structured much like a loan where (i) “interest” on the investment is required to be paid monthly by the “borrower” regardless of available property cash flow; (ii) the entire investment is required to be paid by a certain maturity date; (iii) default rate “interest” and penalties are assessed against the “borrower” in the event payments are not made timely; and (iv) a default in the repayment of investment potentially results in the loss of management and/or ownership control by the “borrower” in the company in favor of the investor or other third-party.

REITs are subject to risks similar to those associated with direct ownership of real estate (including loss to casualty or condemnation, increases in property taxes and operating expenses, zoning law amendments, changes in interest rates, overbuilding and increased competition, variations in market value, adverse changes in the real estate markets generally or in specific sectors of the real estate industry and possible environmental liabilities), as well as additional risks discussed below.

REITs are generally classified as equity REITs, mortgage REITs or a combination of equity and mortgage REITs. Equity REITs invest the majority of their assets directly in real property and derive income primarily from the collection of rents. Equity REITs can also realize capital gains by selling properties that have appreciated in value. Mortgage REITs invest the majority of their assets in real estate mortgages and derive income from the collection of interest payments. REITs are not taxed on income distributed to shareholders provided they comply with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”). The Trust will indirectly bear its proportionate share of any management and other expenses paid by REITs in which it invests in addition to the expenses paid by the Trust. Debt securities issued by REITs are, for the most part, general and unsecured obligations and are subject to risks associated with REITs.

Investing in REITs involves certain unique risks in addition to those risks associated with investing in the real estate industry in general. An equity REIT may be affected by changes in the value of the underlying properties owned by the REIT. A mortgage REIT may be affected by changes in interest rates and the ability of the issuers of its portfolio mortgages to repay their obligations. REITs are dependent upon the skills of their managers and are not diversified. REITs are generally dependent upon maintaining cash flows to repay borrowings and to make distributions to shareholders and are subject to the risk of default by lessees or borrowers. REITs whose underlying assets are concentrated in properties used by a particular industry, such as health care, are also subject to risks associated with such industry. REITs are often leveraged or invest in properties that are themselves leveraged, exposing them to the risks of leverage generally. Among other things, leverage will generally increase losses during periods of real estate market declines.

REITs (especially mortgage REITs) are also subject to interest rate risks. When interest rates decline, the value of a REIT’s investment in fixed rate obligations can be expected to rise. Conversely, when interest rates rise, the value of a REIT’s investment in fixed rate obligations can be expected to decline. If the REIT invests in adjustable rate mortgage loans the interest rates on which are reset periodically, yields on a REIT’s investments in such loans will gradually align themselves to reflect changes in market interest rates. This causes the value of such investments to fluctuate less dramatically in response to interest rate fluctuations than would investments in fixed rate obligations.

REITs may have limited financial resources, may trade less frequently and in a more limited volume and may be subject to more abrupt or erratic price movements than larger company securities.

The Trust seeks to gain exposure to the real estate markets, in whole or in part, through investing in certain REIT subsidiaries of the Trust. The Trust invests in NFRO REIT Sub, LLC, organized under the laws of Delaware on March 29, 2018 (the “REIT Subsidiary”). The REIT Subsidiary is generally subject to the same investment policies and restrictions of the Trust. The REIT Subsidiary is generally subject to the same investment policies and restrictions of the Trust. As of May 31, 2019, NFRO REIT Sub, LLC accounted for approximately 1.9% of the Trust’s net assets and approximately 1.4% of the Trust’s Managed Assets. The Adviser does not charge an additional fee on assets held in the REIT Subsidiary. The Trust intends to limit its investments in the REIT Subsidiary and related entities to the extent necessary to qualify as a regulated investment company (“RIC”) for tax

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purposes. In general, and subject to certain exceptions not applicable here, a RIC is not permitted to invest, including through corporations in which the RIC owns a 20% or more voting stock interest, more than 25% of its total assets in any one issuer, or in any two or more issuers which the taxpayer controls and which are determined to be engaged in the same or similar trades or businesses or related trades or businesses.

### **Equity Securities**

The Trust may invest in equity securities including preferred stock, convertible securities, warrants and depository receipts.

**Preferred Stock.** Preferred stock has a preference over common stock in liquidation (and generally dividends as well) but is subordinated to the liabilities of the issuer in all respects. As a general rule, the market value of preferred stock with a fixed dividend rate and no conversion element varies inversely with interest rates and perceived credit risk, while the market price of convertible preferred stock generally also reflects some element of conversion value. Because preferred stock is junior to debt securities and other obligations of the issuer, deterioration in the credit quality of the issuer will cause greater changes in the value of a preferred stock than in a more senior debt security with similar stated yield characteristics. Unlike interest payments on debt securities, preferred stock dividends are payable only if declared by the issuer's board of directors. Preferred stock also may be subject to optional or mandatory redemption provisions.

**Convertible Securities.** A convertible security is a bond, debenture, note, preferred stock or other security that may be converted into or exchanged for a prescribed amount of common stock or other equity security of the same or a different issuer within a particular period of time at a specified price or formula. A convertible security entitles the holder to receive interest paid or accrued on debt or the dividend paid on preferred stock until the convertible security matures or is redeemed, converted or exchanged. Before conversion, convertible securities have characteristics similar to nonconvertible income securities in that they ordinarily provide a stable stream of income with generally higher yields than those of common stocks of the same or similar issuers, but lower yields than comparable nonconvertible securities. The value of a convertible security is influenced by changes in interest rates, with investment value declining as interest rates increase and increasing as interest rates decline. The credit standing of the issuer and other factors also may have an effect on the convertible security's investment value. Convertible securities rank senior to common stock in a corporation's capital structure but are usually subordinated to comparable nonconvertible securities. Convertible securities may be subject to redemption at the option of the issuer at a price established in the convertible security's governing instrument.

**Warrants.** Warrants, which are privileges issued by corporations enabling the owners to subscribe to and purchase a specified number of shares of the corporation at a specified price during a specified period of time. Subscription rights normally have a short life span to expiration. The purchase of warrants involves the risk that the Trust could lose the purchase value of a right or warrant if the right to subscribe to additional shares is not exercised prior to the warrants' expiration. Also, the purchase of warrants involves the risk that the effective price paid for the warrant added to the subscription price of the related security may exceed the value of the subscribed security's market price such as when there is no movement in the level of the underlying security.

### **Illiquid Securities**

Historically, illiquid securities have included securities subject to contractual or legal restrictions on resale because they have not been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "1933 Act"), securities that are otherwise not readily marketable and repurchase agreements having a maturity of longer than seven days. Securities that have not been registered under the 1933 Act are referred to as "private placements" or "restricted securities" and are purchased directly from the issuer or in the secondary market. Investment companies do not typically hold a significant amount of these restricted securities or other illiquid securities because of the potential for delays on resale and uncertainty in valuation. Limitations on resale may have an adverse effect on the marketability of portfolio securities and an investment company might be unable to dispose of restricted or other illiquid securities promptly or at reasonable prices and might thereby experience difficulty satisfying redemptions within seven days. An investment company might also have to register such restricted securities in order to dispose of them, which would result in additional expense and delay. Adverse market conditions could impede such a public offering of securities.

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In recent years, however, a large institutional market has developed for certain securities that are not registered under the 1933 Act, including repurchase agreements, commercial paper, foreign securities, municipal securities and corporate bonds and notes. Institutional investors depend on an efficient institutional market in which the unregistered security can be readily resold or on an issuer's ability to honor a demand for repayment. The fact that there are contractual or legal restrictions on resale of such investments to the general public or to certain institutions may not be indicative of their liquidity.

- *Rule 144A Securities.* The SEC has adopted Rule 144A, which allows a broader institutional trading market for securities otherwise subject to restriction on their resale to the general public. Rule 144A establishes a "safe harbor" from the registration requirements of the 1933 Act on resales of certain securities to qualified institutional buyers. The Adviser will monitor the liquidity of Rule 144A securities in the Trust's portfolio under the oversight of the Board. In reaching liquidity decisions, the Adviser will consider, among other things, the following factors: (1) the frequency of trades and quotes for the security; (2) the number of dealers and other potential purchasers wishing to purchase or sell the security; (3) dealer undertakings to make a market in the security; and (4) the nature of the security and of the marketplace trades (e.g., the time needed to dispose of the security, the method of soliciting offers and the mechanics of the transfer).

The Trust may purchase securities in the United States that are not registered for sale under federal securities laws but which can be resold to institutions under Rule 144A or under an exemption from such laws. The Board, with advice and information from the Adviser will determine the liquidity of restricted securities or Rule 144A securities by looking at factors such as trading activity and the availability of reliable price information and, through reports from the Adviser, the Board will monitor trading activity in restricted securities. If institutional trading in restricted securities or Rule 144A securities were to decline, the Trust's illiquidity could increase and the Trust could be adversely affected.

- *Section 4(a)(2) Commercial Paper.* The Trust may invest in commercial paper issued in reliance on the exemption from registration afforded by Section 4(a)(2) of the 1933 Act. Section 4(a)(2) commercial paper is restricted as to disposition under federal securities laws and is generally sold to institutional investors who agree that they are purchasing the paper for investment purposes and not with a view to public distribution. Any resale by the purchaser must be in an exempt transaction. Section 4(a)(2) commercial paper is normally resold to other institutional investors through or with the assistance of the issuer or investment dealers who make a market in Section 4(a)(2) commercial paper, thus providing liquidity. The Adviser believes that Section 4(a)(2) commercial paper and possibly certain other restricted securities that meet the criteria for liquidity established by the Board are quite liquid. The Trust will not invest more than 10% of its total assets in restricted securities (excluding Rule 144A securities).

## **Derivatives**

The Trust may invest in various instruments that are commonly known as derivatives to any extent deemed by the Adviser to be in the best interest of the Trust, and to the extent permitted by the 1940 Act. Generally, a derivative is a financial arrangement, the value of which is based on, or "derived" from, a traditional security, asset or market index. There are, in fact, many different types of derivatives and many different ways to use them. There is a range of risks associated with those uses. Futures and options are commonly used for traditional hedging purposes to attempt to protect the Trust from exposure to changing interest rates, securities prices or currency exchange rates and as a low cost method of gaining exposure to a particular securities market without investing directly in those securities. However, some derivatives are used for leverage, which tends to magnify the effects of an instrument's price changes as market conditions change. Leverage involves the use of a small amount of money to control a large amount of financial assets, and can in some circumstances lead to significant losses.

In addition, the SEC recently proposed a rule under the 1940 Act regulating the use by registered investment companies of derivatives and many related instruments. That rule, if adopted as proposed, would, among other things, restrict the Trust's ability to engage in derivatives transactions or so increase the cost of derivatives transactions that the Trust would be unable to implement its investment strategy.



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*Options.* An option on a security is a contract that gives the holder of the option, in return for a premium, the right to buy from (in the case of a call) or sell to (in the case of a put) the writer of the option the security underlying the option at a specified exercise or “strike” price.

The Trust may write (sell) covered call and put options (“covered options”) on stocks, securities, futures contracts, non-physical commodities, indices and foreign currencies in an attempt to increase income. When the Trust writes a covered call option, it gives the purchaser of the option the right to buy, and obligates the writer to sell, the underlying security at the price specified in the option (the “exercise price”) by exercising the option at any time during the option period. If the option expires unexercised, the Trust will realize income in an amount equal to the premium received for writing the option. If the option is exercised, a decision over which the Trust has no control, the Trust must sell the underlying security to the option holder at the exercise price. By writing a covered call option, the Trust foregoes, in exchange for the premium less the commission (“net premium”), the opportunity to profit during the option period from an increase in the market value of the underlying security above the exercise price.

When the Trust writes a covered put option, it gives the purchaser of the option the right to sell, and obligates the writer to buy, the underlying security to the Trust at the specified exercise price at any time during the option period. If the option expires unexercised, the Trust will realize income in the amount of the premium received for writing the option. If the put option is exercised, a decision over which the Trust has no control, the Trust must purchase the underlying security from the option holder at the exercise price. By writing a covered put option, the Trust, in exchange for the net premium received, accepts the risk of a decline in the market value of the underlying security below the exercise price.

The Trust may terminate its obligation as the writer of a call or put option by purchasing an option with the same exercise price and expiration date as the option previously written. This transaction is called a “closing purchase transaction.” With respect to writing covered options, the Trust will realize a profit or loss for a closing purchase transaction if the amount paid to purchase an option is less or more, as the case may be, than the amount received from the sale thereof. To close out a position as a purchaser of an option, the Trust may make a “closing sale transaction” which involves liquidating the Trust’s position by selling the option previously purchased. Where the Trust cannot effect a closing purchase transaction, it may be forced to incur brokerage commissions or dealer spreads in selling securities it receives or it may be forced to hold underlying securities until an option is exercised or expires.

When the Trust writes a call option, it will “cover” its obligation by owning and earmarking the underlying security or other assets on the books of the Trust’s custodian. When the Trust writes a put option, it will “cover” its obligation by earmarking assets at the Trust’s custodian.

The Trust may purchase call and put options on any securities in which it may invest. The Trust would normally purchase a call option in anticipation of an increase in the market value of such securities. The purchase of a call option would entitle the Trust, in exchange for the premium paid, to purchase a security at a specified price during the option period. The Trust would ordinarily have an economic gain if the value of the securities increased above the exercise price sufficiently to cover the premium and would have an economic loss if the value of the securities remained at or below the exercise price during the option period.

The Trust would normally purchase put options in anticipation of a decline in the market value of securities in its portfolio (“protective puts”) or securities of the type in which it is permitted to invest. The purchase of a put option would entitle the Trust, in exchange for the premium paid, to sell a security, which may or may not be held in the Trust’s portfolio, at a specified price during the option period. The purchase of protective puts is designed merely to offset or hedge against a decline in the market value of the Trust’s portfolio securities. Put options also may be purchased by the Trust for the purpose of affirmatively benefiting from a decline in the price of securities which the Trust does not own. Upon exercise, the Trust would ordinarily realize a gain if the value of the securities decreased below the exercise price sufficiently to cover the premium and would realize a loss if the value of the securities remained at or above the exercise price. Gains and losses on the purchase of protective put options would tend to be offset by countervailing changes in the value of underlying portfolio securities.



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*Options on Securities Indices.* The Trust may purchase and write put and call options on securities indices listed on domestic and on foreign exchanges. Such options give the holder the right to receive a cash settlement during the term of the option based upon the difference between the exercise price and the value of the index. Options on securities indices entail risks in addition to the risks of options on securities. The absence of a liquid secondary market to close out options positions on securities indices is more likely to occur. Use of options on securities indices also entails the risk that trading in such options may be interrupted if trading in certain securities included in the index is interrupted.

Because options on securities indices require settlement in cash, the Adviser may be forced to liquidate portfolio securities to meet settlement obligations. When the Trust writes a put or call option on a securities index, it will cover the position by earmarking assets with the Trust's custodian.

*Options on Foreign Currencies.* The Trust may write covered put and call options and purchase put and call options on foreign currencies for the purpose of protecting against declines in the dollar value of portfolio securities and against increases in the dollar cost of securities to be acquired. For example, a decline in the dollar value of a foreign currency in which portfolio securities are denominated will reduce the dollar value of such securities, even if their value in the foreign currency remains constant. In order to protect against such diminutions in the value of portfolio securities, the Trust may purchase put options on the foreign currency. If the value of the currency does decline, the Trust will have the right to sell such currency for a fixed amount in dollars and will thereby offset, in whole or in part, the adverse effect on its portfolio which otherwise would have resulted.

Conversely, where a rise in the dollar value of a currency in which securities to be acquired are denominated is projected, thereby increasing the cost of such securities, the Trust may purchase call options thereon. The purchase of such options could offset, at least partially, the effects of the adverse movements in exchange rates. As in the case of other types of options, however, the benefit to the Trust derived from purchases of foreign currency options will be reduced by the amount of the premium and related transaction costs. In addition, where currency exchange rates do not move in the direction or to the extent anticipated, the Trust could sustain losses on transactions in foreign currency options that would require it to forego a portion or all of the benefits of advantageous changes in such rates.

As in the case of forward contracts, certain options on foreign currencies are traded over-the-counter and involve liquidity and credit risks that may not be present in the case of exchange-traded currency options. The Trust's ability to terminate over-the-counter options ("OTC Options") will be more limited than the exchange-traded options. It is also possible that broker-dealers participating in OTC Options transactions will not fulfill their obligations. Until such time as the staff of the SEC changes its position, the Trust will treat purchased OTC Options and assets used to cover written OTC Options as illiquid securities. With respect to options written with primary dealers in U.S. Government securities pursuant to an agreement requiring a closing purchase transaction at a formula price, the amount of illiquid securities may be calculated with reference to the repurchase formula.

*Forward Currency Contracts.* Because, when investing in foreign securities, the Trust buys and sells securities denominated in currencies other than the U.S. dollar and receives interest, dividends and sale proceeds in currencies other than the U.S. dollar, the Trust from time to time may enter into forward currency transactions to convert to and from different foreign currencies and to convert foreign currencies to and from the U.S. dollar. The Trust either enters into these transactions on a spot (i.e., cash) basis at the spot rate prevailing in the foreign currency exchange market or uses forward currency contracts to purchase or sell foreign currencies.

A forward currency contract is an obligation by the Trust to purchase or sell a specific currency at a future date, which may be any fixed number of days from the date of the contract. Forward currency contracts establish an exchange rate at a future date. These contracts are transferable in the interbank market conducted directly between currency traders (usually large commercial banks) and their customers. A forward currency contract generally has no deposit requirement and is traded at a net price without commission. The Trust earmarks liquid securities at its custodian in an amount at least equal to its obligations under each forward currency contract. Neither spot transactions nor forward currency contracts eliminate fluctuations in the prices of the Trust's securities or in foreign exchange rates, or prevent loss if the prices of these securities should decline.

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The Trust may enter into foreign currency hedging transactions in an attempt to protect against changes in foreign currency exchange rates between the trade and settlement dates of specific securities transactions or changes in foreign currency exchange rates that would adversely affect a portfolio position or an anticipated investment position. Although these transactions tend to minimize the risk of loss due to a decline in the value of the hedged currency, at the same time they tend to limit any potential gain that might be realized should the value of the hedged currency increase. The precise matching of the forward currency contract amounts and the value of the securities involved will not generally be possible because the future value of such securities in foreign currencies will change as a consequence of market movements in the value of such securities between the date the forward currency contract is entered into and the date it matures. The projection of currency market movements is extremely difficult, and the successful execution of a hedging strategy is highly uncertain.

While these contracts are not presently regulated by the CFTC, the CFTC may in the future assert authority to regulate forward currency contracts. In such event the Trust's ability to utilize forward currency contracts may be restricted. Forward currency contracts may reduce the potential gain from a positive change in the relationship between the U.S. dollar and foreign currencies. Unanticipated changes in currency prices may result in poorer overall performance for the Trust than if it had not entered into such contracts. The use of forward currency contracts may not eliminate fluctuations in the underlying U.S. dollar equivalent value of the prices of or rates of return on the Trust's foreign currency denominated portfolio securities and the use of such techniques will subject the Trust to certain risks.

The matching of the increase in value of a forward currency contract and the decline in the U.S. dollar equivalent value of the foreign currency denominated asset that is the subject of the hedge generally will not be precise. In addition, the Trust may not always be able to enter into forward currency contracts at attractive prices and this will limit the Trust's ability to use such contract to hedge or cross-hedge its assets. Also, with regard to the Trust's use of cross-hedges, there can be no assurance that historical correlations between the movements of certain foreign currencies relative to the U.S. dollar will continue. Thus, at any time poor correlation may exist between movements in the exchange rates of the foreign currencies underlying the Trust's cross-hedges and the movements in the exchange rates of the foreign currencies in which the Trust's assets that are the subject of such cross-hedges are denominated.

*Futures Contracts and Related Options.* To the extent consistent with applicable law, the Trust may invest in futures contracts on, among other things, individual equity securities, securities indices, interest rates, currencies, non-physical commodities and inflation indices. The sale of a futures contract creates an obligation by the Trust, as seller, to deliver the specific type of financial instrument called for in the contract at a specified future time for a specified price. At the time a futures contract is purchased or sold, the Trust must allocate cash or securities as a deposit payment ("initial margin"). It is expected that the initial margin that the Trust will pay may range from approximately 1% to approximately 5% of the value of the securities or commodities underlying the contract. In certain circumstances, however, such as periods of high volatility, the Trust may be required by an exchange to increase the level of its initial margin payment. Certain futures contracts are physically settled (i.e., involve the making and taking of delivery of a specified amount of an underlying security or other asset). Some futures contracts, however, are cash settled, which means that the purchase price is subtracted from the current market value of the instrument and the net amount, if positive, is paid to the purchaser by the seller of the futures contract and, if negative, is paid by the purchaser to the seller of the futures contract.

Options on futures contracts are similar to options on securities except that an option on a futures contract gives the purchaser the right in return for the premium paid to assume a position in a futures contract (a long position if the option is a call and a short position if the option is a put).

Futures contracts and related options involve costs and may result in losses in excess of the amount invested in the futures contract or related option. If a futures contract is used for hedging, an imperfect correlation between movements in the price of the futures contract and the price of the security, currency, or other investment being hedged creates risk. Correlation is higher when the investment being hedged underlies the futures contract. Correlation is lower when the investment being hedged is different than the instrument underlying the futures contract, such as when a futures contract on one security or commodity is used to hedge a different security or commodity or when a futures contract in one currency is used to hedge a security denominated in another currency. In the event of an imperfect correlation between a futures position and the portfolio position (or anticipated position)

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intended to be protected, the Trust may realize a loss on the futures contract and/or on the portfolio position intended to be protected. The risk of imperfect correlation generally tends to diminish as the maturity date of the futures contract approaches. To compensate for imperfect correlations, the Trust may purchase or sell futures contracts in a greater amount than the hedged investments if the volatility of the price of the hedged investments is historically greater than the volatility of the futures contracts. Conversely, the Trust may purchase or sell fewer futures contracts if the volatility of the price of the hedged investments is historically less than that of the futures contract.

The Trust's ability to engage in the futures and options on futures strategies depends on the liquidity of the markets in those instruments. Trading interest in various types of futures and options on futures cannot be predicted. Therefore, no assurance can be given that the Trust will be able to utilize these instruments effectively. In addition, there can be no assurance that a liquid market will exist at a time when the Trust seeks to close out a futures or option on a futures contract position, and that Trust would remain obligated to meet margin requirements until the position is closed. The liquidity of a secondary market in a futures contract may be adversely affected by "daily price fluctuation limits" established by commodity exchanges to limit the amount of fluctuation in a futures contract price during a single trading day.

The Trust that purchases or sells a futures contract is only required to deposit initial and variation margin as required by relevant regulations and the rules of the contract market. Because the purchase of a futures contract obligates the Trust to purchase the underlying security or other instrument at a set price on a future date, the Trust's net asset value will fluctuate with the value of the security or other instrument as if it were already in the Trust's portfolio. Futures transactions have the effect of investment leverage to the extent the Trust does not maintain liquid assets equal to the face amount of the contract. If the Trust combines short and long positions, in addition to possible declines in the values of its investment securities, the Trust will incur losses if the index underlying the long futures position underperforms the index underlying the short futures position.

*Financial Futures.* The Trust is sponsored by the Adviser, which is registered as a "commodity pool operator" and "commodity trading adviser" under the Commodity Exchange Act ("CEA"). However, pursuant to Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the "CFTC") Rule 4.5, the Adviser has claimed an exclusion from the definition of the term "commodity pool operator" under the CEA; therefore, the Adviser, with respect to the Trust, is not subject to registration or regulation as a "commodity pool operator" under the CEA. To remain eligible for the exclusion under CFTC Rule 4.5, the Trust will be limited in its ability to use certain derivative instruments regulated under the CEA ("commodity interests"), including futures, swaps and options on futures. In the event that the Trust's investments in commodity interests exceed a certain threshold, the Adviser may be required to register as a "commodity pool operator" and/or "commodity trading advisor" with the CFTC with respect to the Trust. The Adviser's eligibility to claim the exclusion with respect to the Trust will be based upon the level and scope of the Trust's investment in commodity interests, the purposes of such investments and the manner in which the Trust holds out its use of commodity interests. For example, CFTC Rule 4.5 requires the Trust with respect to which the sponsor is claiming the exclusion to, among other things, satisfy one of the two following trading thresholds: (i) the aggregate initial margin and premiums required to establish positions in commodity interests cannot exceed 5% of the liquidation value of the fund's portfolio, after taking into account unrealized profits and unrealized losses; or (ii) the aggregate net notional value of commodity interests not used solely for "bona fide hedging purposes," determined at the time the most recent position was established, cannot generally exceed 100% of the liquidation value of the fund's portfolio, after taking into account unrealized profits and unrealized losses on any such positions it has entered into. In the event the Trust becomes unable to rely on the exclusion in Rule 4.5 and the Adviser is required to register with the CFTC as a commodity pool operator with respect to that Trust, the Trust's expenses may increase.

The CFTC and certain futures exchanges have established limits, referred to as "position limits," on the maximum net long or net short positions which any person may hold or control in particular options and futures contracts; those position limits may in the future also apply to certain other derivatives positions the Trust may wish to take. All positions owned or controlled by the same person or entity, even if in different accounts, may in the future be aggregated for purposes of determining whether the applicable position limits have been exceeded. Thus, even if the Trust does not intend to exceed applicable position limits, it is possible that different clients managed by the Adviser and its affiliates may be aggregated for this purpose. Therefore, it is possible that in the future the trading decisions of the Adviser may have to be modified and that positions held by the Trust may have to be liquidated in order to avoid exceeding such limits. The modification of investment decisions or the elimination of open positions, if it occurs, may adversely affect the performance of the Trust.

[Table of Contents](#)**Borrowing and Lending**

*Borrowing.* The Trust may borrow an amount up to 33 1/3% of its total assets (including the amount borrowed) and may use leverage in the form of preferred shares in an amount up to 50% of the Trust's total assets (including the amount borrowed). The Trust may borrow for investment purposes and for temporary, extraordinary or emergency purposes. To the extent the Trust borrows more money than it has cash or short-term cash equivalents and invests the proceeds, the Trust will create financial leverage. The use of borrowing for investment purposes increases both investment opportunity and investment risk.

The Trust may borrow money from banks (including their custodian bank) or from other lenders to the extent permitted under applicable law. The 1940 Act requires the Trust maintain asset coverage of at least 300% for all such borrowings and 200% of the sum of the amount of preferred shares outstanding. The Trust will not make any borrowing that would cause its outstanding borrowings to exceed one-third of the value of its total assets. To reduce its borrowings, the Trust might be required to sell securities at a time when it would be disadvantageous to do so. In addition, because interest on money borrowed is the Trust expense that it would not otherwise incur, the Trust may have less net investment income during periods when its borrowings are substantial. The interest paid by the Trust on borrowings may be more or less than the yield on the securities purchased with borrowed funds, depending on prevailing market conditions.

The Trust currently leverages through borrowings made by HFRO Sub, LLC under the Financing Arrangement with Bank of America Merrill Lynch ("BAML"). As of May 30, 2019, HFRO Sub, LLC had drawn \$400 million under the Financing Arrangement and the Trust's asset coverage ratio was 320%. On February 2, 2018, HFRO Sub, LLC a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Trust entered into Financing Arrangement with BAML. Pursuant to the terms of the Financing Arrangement, and subject to certain customary conditions, HFRO Sub, LLC may borrow on a revolving basis a maximum of \$500 million. In connection with the Financing Arrangement, HFRO Sub, LLC and the Trust have made representations and warranties regarding the loans and underlying collateral and are required to comply with various covenants, reporting requirements and other customary requirements. The Facility also limits the recourse of the lender to the assets of HFRO Sub, LLC and includes usual and customary events of default for senior secured revolving facilities of this nature.

There can be no assurance that any leveraging strategy the Trust employs will be successful during any period in which it is employed. In addition to any indebtedness incurred by the Trust and HFRO Sub, LLC, the REIT Subsidiary may also utilize leverage, including by mortgaging properties held by special purpose vehicles, or by acquiring property with existing debt. Any such borrowings will generally be the sole obligation of each respective special purpose vehicle, without any recourse to any other special purpose vehicle, the REIT Subsidiary, the Trust or its assets, and the Trust will not treat such non-recourse borrowings as senior securities (as defined in the 1940 Act) for purposes of complying with the 1940 Act's limitations on leverage unless the financial statements of the special purpose vehicle, or the subsidiary of the Trust that owns such special purpose vehicle, will be consolidated in accordance with Regulation S-X and other accounting rules. If cash flow is insufficient to pay principal and interest on a special purpose vehicle's borrowings, a default could occur, ultimately resulting in foreclosure of any security instrument securing the debt and a complete loss of the investment, which could result in losses to the REIT Subsidiary and, therefore, to the Trust. To the extent that any subsidiaries of the Trust, including the REIT Subsidiary, directly incur leverage in the form of debt (as opposed to non-recourse borrowings made through special purpose vehicles), the amount of such recourse leverage used by the Trust and such subsidiaries, including the REIT Subsidiary, will be consolidated and treated as senior securities for purposes of complying with the 1940 Act's limitations on leverage by the Trust.

*Securities Loans.* The Trust may seek additional income by making secured loans of its portfolio securities through its custodian, Bank of New York Mellon ("BNY Mellon"). Such loans will be in an amount not greater than one-third of the value of the Trust's total assets. BNY Mellon will charge the Trust fees based on a percentage of the securities lending income. The Trust will receive collateral consisting of cash (U.S. and foreign currency), securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government or its agencies or instrumentalities, sovereign debt, convertible bonds, irrevocable bank letters of credit or such other collateral as may be agreed on by the parties to a securities lending arrangement, initially with a value of 102% or 105% of the market value of the loaned securities

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and thereafter maintained at a value of 100% of the market value of the loaned securities. If the collateral consists of non-cash collateral, the borrower will pay the Trust a loan premium fee. If the collateral consists of cash, BNY Mellon will reinvest the cash. Although voting rights, or rights to consent, with respect to the loaned securities pass to the borrower, the Trust will recall the loaned securities upon reasonable notice in order that the securities may be voted by the Trust if the holders of such securities are asked to vote upon or consent to matters materially affecting the investment. The Trust also may call such loans in order to sell the securities involved.

The risks in lending portfolio securities, as with other extensions of credit, consist of possible delays in recovery of the securities or possible loss of rights in the collateral should the borrower fail financially. The Trust also bears the risk that the value of investments made with collateral may decline. Although the Trust has the right to call loans at any time on reasonable notice and will do so if holders of a loaned security are asked to vote upon or consent to material matters, the Trust bears the risk of delay in the return of the security, impairing the Trust's ability to vote on such matters.

Securities lending also exposes the Trust to counterparty risk, as the borrower of the Trust's securities may be unable or unwilling to make timely principal, interest, or settlement payments or otherwise honor its obligations. There can be no assurance that a counterparty will meet its obligations, especially during unusually adverse market conditions. If the counterparty defaults, the Trust will have contractual remedies, but the Trust may be unable to enforce its contractual rights.

The following table is designed to illustrate the effect on the return to a holder of the Trust's common shares of leverage in the amount of approximately 30% of the Trust's total assets, assuming hypothetical annual returns of the Trust's investment portfolio of minus 10% to plus 10%. As the table shows, leverage generally increases the return to holders of common shares when portfolio return is positive and greater than the cost of leverage and decreases the return when the portfolio return is negative or less than the cost of leverage. The figures appearing in the table are hypothetical and actual returns may be greater or less than those appearing in the table.

<b>Assumed return on portfolio (net of expenses)</b>	-10%	-5%	0%	5%	10%
<b>Corresponding return to common stockholder</b>	-15.9%	-8.8%	-1.70%	5.5%	12.6%

## **OTHER INVESTMENT POLICIES**

*Other Investments.* The Trust may invest up to 15% of its net assets in entities that are excluded from registration under the 1940 Act by virtue of section 3(c)(1) and 3(c)(7) of the 1940 Act (such as private equity funds or hedge funds). This limitation does not apply to any collateralized loan obligations, certain of which may rely on Section 3(c)(1) or 3(c)(7) of the 1940 Act.

*Swap Agreements.* To help enhance the value of their portfolio or manage their exposure to different types of investments, the Trust may enter into credit default swap agreements, interest rate, currency and mortgage swap agreements and may purchase and sell interest rate "caps," "floors" and "collars."

In a standard "swap" transaction, two parties agree to exchange the returns (or differentials in rates of return) on different currencies, securities, baskets of currencies or securities, indices or other instruments, which returns are calculated with respect to a "notional value," (*i.e.*, the designated reference amount of exposure to the underlying instruments). The Trust intends to enter into swaps primarily on a net basis, *i.e.*, the two payment streams are netted out, with the Trust receiving or paying, as the case may be, only the net amount of the two payments. If the other party to a swap contract entered into on net basis defaults, the Trust's risk of loss will consist of the net amount of payments that the Trust is contractually entitled to receive. The net amount of the excess, if any, of the Trust's obligations over its entitlements will be maintained in a segregated account by the Trust's custodian. The Trust will not enter into swap agreements unless the claims-paying ability of the other party thereto is considered to be an acceptable credit risk to the Trust by the Adviser. If there is a default by the other party to such a transaction, the Trust will have contractual remedies pursuant to the agreements related to the transaction. Swap instruments are not exchange-listed securities and may be traded only in the over-the-counter market.

In a typical interest rate swap agreement, one party agrees to make regular payments equal to a floating interest rate on a specified amount (the "notional principal amount") in return for payments equal to a fixed interest rate on the same amount for a specified period. If a swap agreement provides for payment in different currencies, the parties may also agree to exchange the notional principal amount. Mortgage swap agreements are similar to interest rate swap agreements, except that notional principal amount is tied to a reference pool of mortgages. In a cap or floor, one party agrees, usually in return for a fee, to make payments under particular circumstances. For example, the purchaser of an interest rate cap has the right to receive payments to the extent a specified interest rate exceeds an agreed level; the purchaser of an interest rate floor has the right to receive payments to the extent a specified interest rate falls below an agreed level. A collar entitles the purchaser to receive payments to the extent a specified interest rate falls outside an agreed range.



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Investments in swaps involve the exchange by the Trust with another party of their respective commitments. Use of swaps subjects the Trust to risk of default by the counterparty. If there is a default by the counterparty to such a transaction, there may be contractual remedies pursuant to the agreements related to the transaction although contractual remedies may not be sufficient in the event the counterparty is insolvent. However, the swap market has grown substantially in recent years with a large number of banks and investment banking firms acting both as principals and agents utilizing standardized swap documentation. As a result, the swap market has become relatively liquid in comparison with the markets for other similar instruments which are traded in the interbank market. Swap agreements are sophisticated financial instruments that typically involve a small investment of cash relative to the magnitude of risks assumed. Swaps may involve leverage and can be highly volatile and may have a considerable impact on the Trust's performance, as the potential gain or loss on any swap transaction is not necessarily subject to any fixed limit. Swaps may also be considered illiquid.

The Trust may enter into credit default swap agreements. The "buyer" in a credit default contract is obligated to pay the "seller" a periodic stream of payments over the term of the contract provided that no event of default on an underlying reference obligation has occurred. If an event of default occurs, the seller must pay the buyer the "par value" (full notional value) of the reference obligation in exchange for the reference obligation. The Trust may be either the buyer or seller in the transaction. If the Trust is a buyer and no event of default occurs, the Trust loses its investment and recovers nothing. However, if an event of default occurs, the buyer receives full notional value for a reference obligation that may have little or no value. As a seller, the Trust receives income throughout the term of the contract, which typically is between six months and three years, provided that there is no default event.

Credit default swap agreements are subject to greater risk than direct investment in the reference obligation. Like all swap agreements, credit default swaps are subject to liquidity, credit and counterparty risks. A buyer in a credit default swap contract will lose its investment and recover nothing should no event of default occur. If an event of default were to occur, the value of the reference obligation received by the seller, coupled with the periodic payments previously received, may be less than the full notional value it pays to the buyer, resulting in a loss of value to the seller. In addition, collateral posting requirements are individually negotiated and there is no regulatory requirement that a counterparty post collateral to secure its obligations under a credit default swap. Furthermore, there is no requirement that a party be informed in advance when a credit default swap agreement is sold. Accordingly, the Trust may have difficulty identifying the party responsible for payment of its claims. The notional value of credit default swaps with respect to a particular investment is often larger than the total par value of such investment outstanding and, in event of a default, there may be difficulties in making the required deliveries of the reference investments, possibly delaying payments.

The market for credit default swaps has become more volatile recently as the creditworthiness of certain counterparties has been questioned and/or downgraded. If a counterparty's credit becomes significantly impaired, multiple requests for collateral posting in a short period of time could increase the risk that the Trust may not receive adequate collateral. The Trust generally may exit its obligations under a credit default swap only by terminating the contract and paying applicable breakage fees, or by entering into an offsetting credit default swap position, which may cause the Trust to incur more losses. If the Trust uses credit default swaps to leverage its portfolio, it will be exposed to additional risks, including the risk that the Trust's use of leverage will magnify the effect of any losses the Trust incurs since if an event of default occurs the seller must pay the buyer the full notional value of the reference obligation.

*When-Issued Securities and Forward Commitments.* The Trust may enter into forward commitments for the purchase or sale of interests in Senior Loans and other portfolio securities, including on a "when-issued" or "delayed delivery" basis in excess of customary settlement periods for the type of security involved. In some cases, a forward commitment may be conditioned upon the occurrence of a subsequent event, such as approval and consummation of a merger, corporate reorganization or debt restructuring (*i.e.*, a when, as and if issued security). When such transactions are negotiated, the price is fixed at the time of the commitment, with payment and delivery taking place in the future, generally a month or more after the date of the commitment. While the Trust will only enter into a forward commitment with the intention of actually acquiring the security, the Trust may sell the security before the settlement date if it is deemed advisable. Securities purchased by the Trust under a forward commitment are subject

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to market fluctuation, and no interest (or dividends) accrues to the Trust prior to the settlement date. For forward commitments that are cash settled, the Trust will designate or segregate liquid assets in an amount equal to the Trust's daily marked-to-market value of such commitments.

Purchases of securities on a forward commitment basis may involve more risk than other types of purchases. Securities purchased on a forward commitment basis and the securities held in the Trust's portfolio are subject to changes in value based upon the public's perception of the creditworthiness of the issuer and changes, real or anticipated, in the level of interest rates. Purchasing securities on a forward commitment basis can involve the risk that the yields available in the market when the delivery takes place may actually be higher or lower than those obtained in the transaction itself. On the settlement date of the forward commitment transaction, the Trust will meet its obligations from then available cash flow, sale of securities reserved for payment of the commitment, sale of other securities or, although it would not normally expect to do so, from sale of the forward commitment securities themselves (which may have a value greater or lesser than the Trust's payment obligations). The sale of securities to meet such obligations may result in the realization of capital gains or losses. Purchasing securities on a forward commitment basis can also involve the risk of default by the other party on its obligation, delaying or preventing the Trust from recovering the collateral or completing the transaction.

*Repurchase Agreements.* The Trust may enter into repurchase agreements without limitation as part of its investment strategy. A repurchase agreement is a purchase of, and a simultaneous commitment to resell, a financial instrument at an agreed-upon price on an agreed-upon date. When participating in repurchase agreements, the Trust buys securities from a seller (e.g., a bank or brokerage firm) with the agreement that the seller will repurchase the securities at the agreed-upon price at a later date. Repurchase agreements may also be viewed as loans made by the Trust that are collateralized by the securities subject to repurchase. Such transactions afford an opportunity for the Trust to earn a return on available liquid assets at minimal market risk, although the Trust may be subject to various delays and risks of loss if the counterparty is unable to meet its obligation to repurchase. If the counterparty to a repurchase agreement defaults on its repurchase obligation pursuant to the repurchase agreement, the Trust may lose money to the extent proceeds from the sale of collateral are less than the repurchase price. If the member bank or member firm that is the party to the repurchase agreement petitions for bankruptcy or otherwise becomes subject to the Bankruptcy Code, the law regarding the rights of the Trust is unsettled and the Trust's realization upon the collateral may be delayed or limited. The Adviser will evaluate the creditworthiness of the repurchase agreement counterparties with whom the Trust does business and will monitor their creditworthiness during the period of any repurchase agreement.

*Reverse Repurchase Agreements.* The Trust may enter into reverse repurchase agreements with respect to securities held by the Trust that could otherwise be sold by the Trust. In a reverse repurchase agreement the Trust sells a security held by the Trust and simultaneously obtains the commitment of the purchaser (typically, a commercial bank or a broker or dealer) to sell the security back to the Trust at an agreed-upon price on an agreed-upon date. The Trust will maintain cash or liquid securities in an amount sufficient to cover its obligations with respect to reverse repurchase agreements. The Trust receives payment for such securities only upon physical delivery or evidence of book entry transfer by its custodian. Regulations of the SEC require that, if securities are sold by the Trust under a reverse repurchase agreement, the Trust designate or segregate liquid assets in an amount equal to the Trust's daily marked-to-market value of such agreement. Reverse repurchase agreements are considered borrowings of money by the Trust and as such would be subject to the restrictions on issuing senior securities described below under "Investment Restrictions."

Reverse repurchase agreements could involve certain risks in the event of default or insolvency of the counterparty, including possible delays or restrictions upon the Trust's ability to dispose of the proceeds of the sale received from the counterparty. An additional risk is that the market value of securities sold by the Trust under a reverse repurchase agreement could decline below the price at which the Trust is obligated to repurchase them.

*Emerging and Developing Markets.* The Trust may invest without limitation in emerging market countries. Such investment may be denominated in U.S. dollars, non-U.S. currencies or multinational currency units.



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Investing in emerging or developing market countries involves certain risks not typically associated with investing in the United States and imposes risks greater than, or in addition to, risks of investing in more developed foreign countries. These risks include, but are not limited to, the following: greater risks of nationalization or expropriation of assets or confiscatory taxation; currency devaluations and other currency exchange rate fluctuations; greater social, economic, and political uncertainty and instability (including amplified risk of war and terrorism); more substantial government involvement in the economy; less government supervision and regulation of the securities markets and participants in those markets; controls on foreign investment and limitations on repatriation of invested capital and on the Trust's ability to exchange local currencies for U.S. dollars; unavailability of currency hedging techniques in certain emerging and developing market countries; the fact that companies in emerging and developing market countries may be smaller, less seasoned, and newly organized companies; the difference in, or lack of, auditing and financial reporting standards, which may result in unavailability of material information about issuers; the risk that it may be more difficult to obtain and/or enforce a judgment in a court outside the United States; and greater price volatility, substantially less liquidity, and significantly smaller market capitalization of securities markets. Also, any change in the leadership or politics of emerging or developing market countries, or the countries that exercise a significant influence over those countries, may halt the expansion of or reverse the liberalization of foreign investment policies now occurring and adversely affect existing investment opportunities. Furthermore, high rates of inflation and rapid fluctuations in inflation rates have had, and may continue to have, negative effects on the economies and securities markets of certain emerging and developing market countries.

*Money Market Instruments.* The Trust may invest in money market instruments. Money market securities are high-quality, dollar-denominated, short-term instruments. They consist of (i) bankers' acceptances, certificates of deposit, notes and time deposits of highly-rated U.S. banks and U.S. branches of foreign banks; (ii) U.S. Treasury obligations and obligations issued or guaranteed by agencies and instrumentalities of the U.S. Government; (iii) high-quality commercial paper issued by U.S. foreign corporations; (iv) debt obligations with a maturity of one year or less issued by corporations with outstanding high-quality commercial paper ratings; and (v) repurchase agreements involving any of the foregoing obligations entered into with highly-rated banks and broker-dealers.

*Convertible Securities.* Convertible securities may offer higher income than the common stocks into which they are convertible and include fixed-income or zero coupon debt securities, which may be converted or exchanged at a stated or determinable exchange ratio into underlying shares of common stock. Prior to their conversion, convertible securities may have characteristics similar to both non-convertible debt securities and equity securities. While convertible securities generally offer lower yields than non-convertible debt securities of similar quality, their prices may reflect changes in the value of the underlying common stock. Convertible securities entail less credit risk than the issuer's common stock.

*Asset Coverage.* To assure that the Trust's use of futures and related options, as well as when issued and delayed-delivery transactions, forward currency contracts and swap transactions, are not used to achieve investment leverage, the Trust will cover such transactions, as required under applicable SEC interpretations, either by owning the underlying securities or by earmarking liquid securities with its custodian in an amount at all times equal to or exceeding the Trust's commitment with respect to these instruments or contracts.

*Warrants and Rights.* Warrants are options to purchase equity securities at a specified price and are valid for a specific time period. Rights are similar to warrants, but normally have a short duration and are distributed by the issuer to its shareholders. The Trust may purchase warrants and rights, provided that the Trust presently does not intend to invest more than 20% of its net assets at the time of purchase in warrants and rights other than those that have been acquired in units or attached to other securities.

*Short-Term Trading.* Short-term trading involves the selling of securities held for a short time, ranging from several months to less than a day. The object of such short-term trading is to increase the potential for capital appreciation and/or income of the Trust in order to take advantage of what the Adviser believes are changes in market, industry or individual company conditions or outlook. Any such trading would increase the turnover rate of the Trust and its transaction costs, and could result in higher taxes for shareholders if Trust shares are held in a taxable account.

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*Short Selling.* Short selling (also known as shorting or going short) is a strategy in which the Trust sells a security it does not own in anticipation that the market price of that security will decline. When the Trust makes a short sale, it must borrow the security sold short from a broker-dealer and deliver it to the buyer upon conclusion of the sale. The Trust will ordinarily have to pay a fee to borrow a security and is often obligated to repay the lender of the security any dividend or interest that accrues on the security during the period of the loan. If the price of the security sold short increases between the time of the short sale and the time the Trust replaces the borrowed security, the Trust will incur a loss.

The Trust may sell a security short if it owns at least an equal amount of the security sold short or another security convertible or exchangeable for an equal amount of the security sold short without payment of further compensation (a short sale “against-the-box”). The Trust also may engage in short sales that are not “against-the-box,” and will be subject to additional risks to the extent that it engages in short sales that are not “against-the-box.” The Trust’s loss on a short sale could be unlimited in cases where the Trust is unable, for whatever reason, to close out its short position.

Short sales by the Trust that are not made “against-the-box” (that is when the Trust has an offsetting long position in the asset that is selling short) involve unlimited loss potential since the market price of securities sold short may continuously increase. When the Trust engages in a short sale on a security, it must borrow the security sold short and deliver it to the counterparty. The Trust will ordinarily have to pay a fee or premium to borrow particular securities and be obligated to repay the lender of the security any dividends or interest that accrue on the security during the period of the loan. The amount of any gain from a short sale will be decreased, and the amount of any loss increased, by the amount of the premium, dividends, interest or expenses the Trust pays in connection with the short sale. Short selling allows the Trust to profit from declines in market prices to the extent such decline exceeds the transaction costs and the costs of borrowing the securities. However, since the borrowed securities must be replaced by purchases at market prices in order to close out the short position, any appreciation in the price of the borrowed securities would result in a loss. Purchasing securities to close out the short position can itself cause the price of the securities to rise further, thereby exacerbating the loss. The Trust may mitigate such losses by replacing the securities sold short before the market price has increased significantly. Under adverse market conditions, the Trust might have difficulty purchasing securities to meet its short sale delivery obligations, and might have to sell portfolio securities to raise the capital necessary to meet its short sale obligations at a time when fundamental investment considerations would not favor such sales. See “Income Tax Considerations” below for special tax considerations associated with engaging in short sales.

*Micro Cap Securities.* The Trust may invest in companies whose total market capitalization at the time of investment is generally between \$30 million and \$500 million, referred to as micro cap companies. Micro cap companies may not be well-known to the investing public, may not have significant institutional ownership and may have cyclical, static or only moderate growth prospects. Micro cap companies may have greater risk and volatility than large companies and may lack the management depth of larger, mature issuers. Micro cap companies may have relatively small revenues and limited product lines, markets, or financial resources, and their securities may trade less frequently and in more limited volume than those of larger, more mature companies. In addition, micro cap companies may be developing or marketing new products or services for which markets are not yet established and may never become established. As a result, the prices of their securities may fluctuate more than those of larger issuers.

*Securities of Other Investment Companies.* Such investments are subject to limitations prescribed by the 1940 Act unless an SEC exemption is applicable or as may be permitted by rules under the 1940 Act or SEC staff interpretations thereof. The 1940 Act limitations currently provide, in part, that the Trust may not purchase shares of an investment company if (a) such a purchase would cause the Trust to own in the aggregate more than 3% of the total outstanding voting stock of the investment company; (b) such a purchase would cause the Trust to have more than 5% of its total assets invested in the investment company; or (c) more than 10% of the Trust’s total assets would be invested in the aggregate in all investment companies. The Trust may invest in excess of the foregoing limitations in an exchange traded fund (“ETF”) that is not part of the same group of investment companies (e.g., an unaffiliated ETF) if the ETF has obtained exemptive relief from the SEC and both the ETF and the Trust adhere to the conditions in the exemptive relief.

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The Trust may invest in investment companies that are advised by the Adviser or its affiliates, including ETFs, to the extent permitted by applicable law and/or pursuant to exemptive relief from the SEC. These investment companies typically incur fees that are separate from those fees incurred directly by the Trust. The Trust's purchase of such investment company securities results in the layering of expenses, such that shareholders would indirectly bear a proportionate share of the operating expenses of such investment companies, including advisory fees, in addition to paying Trust expenses.

*Privately-Placed Securities.* The Trust may invest in securities that are neither listed on a stock exchange nor traded over-the-counter, including privately placed securities. Investing in such unlisted securities, including investments in new and early stage companies, may involve a high degree of business and financial risk that can result in substantial losses. As a result of the absence of a public trading market for these securities, they may be less liquid than publicly traded securities. Although these securities may be resold in privately negotiated transactions, the prices realized from these sales could be less than those originally paid by the Trust, or less than what may be considered the fair value of such securities. Further, companies whose securities are not publicly traded may not be subject to the disclosure and other investor protection requirements that might be applicable if their securities were publicly traded. If such securities are required to be registered under the securities laws of one or more jurisdictions before being resold, the Trust may be required to bear the expenses of registration.

*Initial Public Offerings ("IPOs").* The Trust may invest in IPOs. An IPO presents the risk that the market value of IPO shares will fluctuate considerably due to factors such as the absence of a prior public market, unseasoned trading, the small number of shares available for trading and limited information about the issuer. The purchase of IPO shares may involve high transactions costs. IPO shares are subject to market risk and liquidity risk. When the Trust's asset base is small, a significant portion of the Trust's performance could be attributable to investments in IPOs, because such investments would have a magnified impact on the Trust. As the Trust's assets grow, the effect of the Trust's investments in IPOs on the Trust's performance probably will decline, which could reduce the Trust's performance. Because of the price volatility of IPO shares, the Trust may choose to hold IPO shares for a very short period of time. This may increase the turnover of the Trust and may lead to increased expenses to the Trust, such as commissions and transaction costs. By selling IPO shares, the Trust may realize taxable gains it will subsequently distribute to shareholders. In addition, the market for IPO shares can be speculative and/or inactive for extended periods of time. There is no assurance that the Trust will be able to obtain allocable portions of IPO shares. The limited number of shares available for trading in some IPOs may make it more difficult for the Trust to buy or sell significant amounts of shares without an unfavorable impact on prevailing prices. Investors in IPO shares can be affected by substantial dilution in the value of their shares, by sales of additional shares and by concentration of control in existing management and principal shareholders.

The Trust's investments in IPO shares may include the securities of "unseasoned" companies (companies with less than three years of continuous operations), which present risks considerably greater than common stocks of more established companies. These companies may have limited operating histories and their prospects for profitability may be uncertain. These companies may be involved in new and evolving businesses and may be vulnerable to competition and changes in technology, markets and economic conditions. They may be more dependent on key managers and third parties and may have limited products.

*Operating Deficits.* The expenses of operating the Trust (including the fees payable to the Adviser) may exceed its income, thereby requiring that the difference be paid out of the Trust's capital, reducing the Trust's investments and potential for profitability.

*Accuracy of Public Information.* The Adviser selects investments for the Trust, in part, on the basis of information and data filed by issuers with various government regulators or made directly available to the Adviser by the issuers or through sources other than the issuers. Although the Adviser evaluates all such information and data and ordinarily seeks independent corroboration when the Adviser considers it appropriate and when such corroboration is reasonably available, the Adviser is not in a position to confirm the completeness, genuineness or accuracy of such information and data.

*Trading Limitations.* For all securities listed on a securities exchange, including options listed on a public exchange, the exchange generally has the right to suspend or limit trading under certain circumstances. Such suspensions or limits could render certain strategies difficult to complete or continue and subject the Trust to loss.

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Also, such a suspension could render it impossible for the Adviser to liquidate positions and thereby expose the Trust to potential losses. Finally, to the extent that advisory personnel of the Adviser acquire material non-public information in the course of service on the board of directors or creditor's committee of a company, the Trust may be prevented from buying or selling securities of that company.

*Risks of Interest Only Mortgage-Backed Securities.* "Interest only" mortgage-backed securities present a heightened risk of total loss of investment.

*Risks of Inverse Floaters.* As interest rates rise, inverse floaters produce less current income. A change in prevailing interest rates will often result in a greater change in the interest rate paid by an inverse floater. As a result, inverse floaters may have a greater degree of volatility than other types of interest-bearing securities of similar credit quality.

## **PORTFOLIO TURNOVER**

The Trust's annual portfolio turnover rate may vary greatly from year to year. Although the Trust cannot accurately predict its annual portfolio turnover rate, it is not expected to exceed 100% under normal circumstances. For the six months ended December 31, 2018, the portfolio turnover rate was 27%. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018 the portfolio turnover rate was 177% and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017 the portfolio turnover rate was 63%. The conversion to a closed-end fund and use of leverage drove an increase in portfolio turnover from the prior year. Portfolio turnover rate is not considered a limiting factor in the execution of investment decisions for the Trust. There are no limits on the rate of portfolio turnover, and investments may be sold without regard to length of time held when the Trust's investment strategy so dictates. A higher portfolio turnover rate results in correspondingly greater brokerage commissions and other transactional expenses that are borne by the Trust. High portfolio turnover may result in the realization of net short-term capital gains by the Trust which, when distributed to shareholders, will be taxable as ordinary income. See "Tax Matters."

## **MANAGEMENT OF THE TRUST**

### **Trustees**

The Board provides broad oversight over the operations and affairs of the Trust and protects the interests of shareholders. The Board has overall responsibility to manage and control the business affairs of the Trust, including the complete and exclusive authority to establish policies regarding the management, conduct and operation of the Trust's business. The names and birthdates of the Trustees and officers of the Trust, the year each was first elected or appointed to office, their principal business occupations during the last five years, the number of funds overseen by each Trustee and other directorships or trusteeships they hold are shown below. The business address of the Trust, the Adviser and their Board members and officers is 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201, unless otherwise specified below.

### **Information About Each Trustee's Experience, Qualifications, Attributes, or Skills for Board Membership**

The following provides an overview of the considerations that led the Board to conclude that each individual serving as a Trustee of the Trust should so serve, as well as each Trustee's name and certain biographical information as reported by them to the Trust. Among the factors the Board considered when concluding that an individual should serve on the Board were the following: (i) the individual's business and professional experience and accomplishments; (ii) the individual's ability to work effectively with the other members of the Board; (iii) the individual's prior experience, if any, serving on company boards (including public companies and, where relevant, other investment companies) and the boards of other complex enterprises and organizations; and (iv) how the individual's skills, experiences and attributes would contribute to an appropriate mix of relevant skills and experience on the Board.

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In respect of each Trustee, the individual's professional accomplishments and prior experience, including, in some cases, in fields related to the operations of the Trust, were a significant factor in the determination that the individual should serve as a Trustee of the Trust. Each Trustee's professional experience and additional considerations that contributed to the Board's conclusion that an individual should serve on the Board are summarized in the table below.

The "Highland Funds Complex," as referred to herein consists of: the Trust, each series of Highland Funds I ("HFI"), each series of Highland Funds II ("HFII"), Highland Global Allocation Fund ("GAF"), NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund ("NHF"), NexPoint Event-Driven Fund ("NEDF"), NexPoint Latin American Opportunities Fund ("NLAF"), NexPoint Real Estate Strategies Fund ("NRESF"), NexPoint Strategic Income Fund ("NSIF"), NexPoint Energy and Materials Opportunities Fund ("NEMO"), NexPoint Discount Strategies Fund ("NDSF"), NexPoint Healthcare Opportunities Fund ("NHOF", and together with NEDF, NLAF, NRESF, NSIF, NEMO, and NDSF, the "Interval Funds"), and NexPoint Capital, Inc. (the "BDC"), a closed-end management investment company that has elected to be treated as a business development company under the 1940 Act.

**Name, Date of Birth, Position(s) with the Trust and Length of Time Served, Term of Office<sup>1</sup> and Number of Portfolios in the Highland Funds Complex Overseen by the Trustees**

**Principal Occupations(s) During the Past Five Years and Other Directorships/ Trusteeships Held During the Past Five Years**

**Experience, Qualifications, Attributes, Skills for Board Membership During the Past Five Years**

**Dr. Bob Froehlich**  
(4/28/1953)

Retired.

Significant experience in the financial industry; significant managerial and executive experience; significant experience on other boards of directors, including as a member of several audit committees.

Trustee since March 2016;  
3 year term (expiring at 2020 annual meeting) for the Trust.

Trustee of ARC Realty Finance Trust, Inc. (from January 2013 to May 2016); Director of KC Concessions, Inc. (since January 2013); Trustee of Realty Capital Income Funds Trust (from January 2014 to December 2016); Director of American Realty Capital Healthcare Trust II (from January 2013 to June 2016); Director, American Realty Capital Daily Net Asset Value Trust, Inc. (from November 2012 to July 2016); Director of American Sports Enterprise, Inc. (since January 2013); Director of Davidson Investment Advisors (from July 2009 to July 2016); Chairman and owner, Kane County Cougars Baseball Club (since January 2013); Advisory Board of Directors, Internet Connectivity Group, Inc. (from January 2014 to April 2016); Director of AXAR Acquisition Corp. (formerly AR Capital Acquisition Corp.) (from October 2014 to October 2017); Director of The Midwest League of Professional Baseball Clubs, Inc.; Director of Kane County Cougars Foundation, Inc.; Director of Galen Robotics, Inc.; Chairman and Director of FC Global Realty, Inc. (from May 2017 to June 2018); Chairman and Director of First Capital Investment Corp. (from March 2017 to March 2018); and Director and Special Advisor to Vault Data, LLC (since February 2018).

23 funds

**John Honis<sup>2</sup>**  
(6/16/1958)

President of Rand Advisors, LLC since August 2013; Partner of Highland Capital Management, L.P. ("HCM") from February 2007 until his resignation in November 2014.

Significant experience in the financial industry; significant managerial and executive experience, including experience as president, chief executive officer or chief restructuring officer of five telecommunication firms; experience on other boards of directors.

Trustee since July 2013;  
3 year term (expiring at 2021 annual meeting) for the Trust.

Manager of Turtle Bay Resort, LLC (August 2011 – December 2018); Manager of American Home Patient (November 2011 to February 2016).

23 funds

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**Name, Date of Birth, Position(s) with the Trust and Length of Time Served, Term of Office<sup>1</sup> and Number of Portfolios in the Highland Funds Complex Overseen by the Trustees Independent Trustee**

**Principal Occupations(s) During the Past Five Years and Other Directorships/ Trusteeships Held During the Past Five Years**

**Experience, Qualifications, Attributes, Skills for Board Membership During the Past Five Years**

**Ethan Powell<sup>3</sup>**

(6/20/1975)

Trustee since December 2013; Chairman of the Board since December 2013; 3 year term (expiring at 2022 annual meeting) for the Trust.

23 funds

Trustee of Impact Shares Funds I Trust  
President and Founder of Impact Shares LLC since December 2015; Trustee/Director of the Highland Funds Complex from June 2012 until July 2013 and since December 2013; Chief Product Strategist of Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P. ("HCMFA") from 2012 until December 2015; Senior Retail Fund Analyst of HCM from 2007 until December 2015 and HCMFA from its inception until December 2015; President and Principal Executive Officer of NHF from June 2012 until May 2015; Secretary of NHF from May 2015 until December 2015; Executive Vice President and Principal Executive Officer of HFI and HFII from June 2012 until December 2015; and Secretary of HFI and HFII from November 2010 to May 2015.

Significant experience in the financial industry; significant executive experience including past service as an officer of funds in the Highland Funds Complex; significant administrative and managerial experience.

**Bryan A. Ward**

(2/4/1955)

Trustee since May 2006  
3 year term (expiring at 2022 annual meeting).

23 funds

Senior Advisor, CrossFirst Bank since April 2019; Private Investor, BW Consulting, LLC since 2014; Senior Manager, Accenture, LLP (a consulting firm) from 1991 until retirement in 2014.

Director of Equity Metrix, LLC

Significant experience on this and/or other boards of directors/trustees; significant managerial and executive experience; significant experience as a management consultant.

**Interested Trustees**

**Dustin Norris<sup>4</sup>**

(1/6/1984)

Trustee since February 2018; Executive Vice President since April 2019; Nominee for 3 year term expiring at 2021 annual meeting.

23 funds

Head of Distribution and Chief Product Strategist at NexPoint since March 2019; President of NexPoint Securities, Inc. (formerly, Highland Capital Funds Distributor, Inc.) since April 2018; Head of Distribution at HCMFA from November 2017 until March 2019; Secretary of HFRO, GAF, HFI and HFII from October 2017 until April 2019; Assistant Secretary of HFRO and GAF II from August 2017 to October 2017; Chief Product Strategist at HCMFA from September 2015 to March 2019; Director of Product Strategy at HCMFA from May 2014 to September 2015; Assistant Secretary of HFI and HFII from March 2017 to October 2017; Secretary of NHF from December 2015 until April 2019; Assistant Treasurer of NexPoint Real Estate Advisors, L.P. since May 2015; Assistant Treasurer of NexPoint Real Estate Advisors II, L.P. since June 2016; Assistant Treasurer of HFI and HFII from November 2012 to March 2017; Assistant Treasurer of NHF from November 2012 to December 2015; Secretary of the BDC from 2014 until April 2019; and Secretary of the Interval Funds from March 2016 until April 2019.

None

Significant experience in the financial industry; significant managerial and executive experience, including experience as an officer of the Highland Funds Complex since 2012.

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- 1 On an annual basis, as a matter of Board policy, the Governance and Compliance Committee reviews each Trustee’s performance and determines whether to extend each such Trustee’s service for another year. Effective June 2013, the Board adopted a retirement policy wherein the Governance and Compliance Committee shall not recommend the continued service as a Trustee of a Board member who is older than 80 years of age at the time the Governance and Compliance Committee reports its findings to the Board.
- 2 Since May 1, 2015, Mr. Honis has been treated as an Independent Trustee of the Trust. Prior to that date, Mr. Honis was treated as an Interested Trustee because he was a partner of an investment adviser affiliated with the Adviser until his resignation in November 2014. As of May 31, 2019, Mr. Honis was entitled to receive aggregate severance and/or deferred compensation payments of approximately \$390,000 from another affiliate of the Adviser.
- In addition, Mr. Honis serves as a trustee of a trust that owns substantially all of the economic interest in an investment adviser affiliated with the Adviser. Mr. Honis indirectly receives an asset-based fee in respect of such interest, which is projected to range from \$450,000-\$550,000 annually. Additionally, an investment adviser controlled by Mr. Honis has entered into a shared services arrangement with an affiliate of the Adviser, pursuant to which the affiliate provides back office support in exchange for approximately \$50,000 per quarter. The affiliated adviser was paid \$147,000 and \$208,000 in 2017 and 2018, respectively. In light of these relationships between Mr. Honis and affiliates of the Adviser, it is possible that the SEC might in the future determine Mr. Honis to be an interested person of the Trust.
- 3 Prior to December 8, 2017, Mr. Powell was treated as an Interested Trustee of the Trust for all purposes other than compensation and the Trust’s code of ethics.
- 4 On February 7, 2018, Mr. Norris was appointed as an Interested Trustee of the Trust.

OFFICERS

Name, Date of Birth, Position(s) held with the Trust and Length of Time Served, Term of Office		Principal Occupations(s) During the Past Five Years
Dustin Norris (1/6/1984)	Executive Vice President since April 2019; Indefinite Term	Head of Distribution and Chief Product Strategist at NexPoint since March 2019; President of NexPoint Securities, Inc. since April 2018; Head of Distribution at HCMFA from November 2017 until March 2019; Chief Product Strategist at HCMFA from September 2015 to March 2019; Director of Product Strategy at HCMFA from May 2014 to September 2015; Officer of the Highland Funds Complex since November 2012.
	Trustee since February 2018	
Frank Waterhouse (4/14/1971)	Treasurer since May 2015; Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer since October 2017; Principal Executive Officer since February 2018; Indefinite Term	Partner and Chief Financial Officer of HCM; Treasurer of the Highland Funds Complex since May 2015.
Clifford Stoops (11/17/1970)	Assistant Treasurer since March 2017; Indefinite Term	Chief Accounting Officer at HCM; Assistant Treasurer of the Highland Funds Complex since March 2017.



[Table of Contents](#)**Name, Date of Birth, Position(s) held with the Trust and Length of Time Served, Term of Office****Principal Occupations(s) During the Past Five Years**

<b>Jason Post</b> (1/9/1979)  Chief Compliance Officer since September 2015; Indefinite Term	Chief Compliance Officer for HCMFA and NexPoint since September 2015; Chief Compliance Officer and Anti-Money Laundering Officer of the Highland Funds Complex since September 2015. Prior to his current role at HCMFA and NexPoint, Mr. Post served as Deputy Chief Compliance Officer and Director of Compliance for HCM.
<b>Lauren Thedford</b> (1/7/1989)  Secretary since April 2019; Indefinite Term	Associate General Counsel at HCM since September 2017; In-House Counsel at HCM from January 2015 until September 2017; Secretary of the Highland Funds Complex since April 2019.

1 The address for each officer is c/o Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P., 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201.

**Role of the Board of Trustees, Leadership Structure and Risk Oversight*****The Role of the Board of Trustees***

The Board oversees the management and operations of the Trust. Like most registered investment companies, the day-to-day management and operation of the Trust is performed by various service providers to the Trust, such as the Adviser, and the distributor, administrator, custodian, and transfer agent. The Board has appointed senior employees of certain of these service providers as officers of the Trust, with responsibility to monitor and report to the Board on the Trust's operations. The Board receives regular reports from these officers and service providers regarding the Trust's operations. For example, the Treasurer provides reports as to financial reporting matters and investment personnel report on the performance of the Trust. The Board has appointed a Chief Compliance Officer who administers the Trust's compliance program and regularly reports to the Board as to compliance matters. Some of these reports are provided as part of formal in-person Board meetings, which are typically held quarterly, in person, and involve the Board's review of, among other items, recent Trust operations. The Board also periodically holds telephonic meetings as part of its review of the Trust's activities. From time to time one or more members of the Board may also meet with management in less formal settings, between scheduled Board meetings, to discuss various topics. In all cases, however, the role of the Board and of any individual Trustee is one of oversight and not of management of the day-to-day affairs of the Trust and its oversight role does not make the Board a guarantor of the Trust's investments, operations or activities.

***Board Structure and Leadership***

The Board has structured itself in a manner that it believes allows it to perform its oversight function effectively. The Board consists of five Trustees, four of whom are Independent Trustees. The Trustees meet periodically throughout the year in person and by telephone to oversee the Trust's activities, review contractual arrangements with service providers for the Trust and review the Trust's performance. The Board conducts much of its work through certain standing Committees, each of whose meetings are chaired by an Independent Trustee.

***Audit and Qualified Legal Compliance Committee.*** The members of the Audit and Qualified Legal Compliance Committee (formerly named the Audit Committee) are Dr. Froehlich and Messrs. Powell and Ward, each of whom is independent for purposes of the 1940 Act. The Audit and Qualified Legal Compliance Committee is responsible for approving the Trust's independent accountants, reviewing with the Trust's independent accountants the plans and results of the audit engagement and the adequacy of the Trust's internal accounting controls, approving professional services provided by the Trust's independent accountants. The Audit and Qualified Legal Compliance Committee is charged with compliance with Rules 205.2(k) and 205.3(c) of Title 17 of the Code



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of Federal Regulations regarding alternative reporting procedures for attorneys representing the Trust who appear and practice before the SEC on behalf of the Trust. The Audit and Qualified Legal Compliance Committee is also responsible for reviewing and overseeing the valuation of debt and equity securities that are not publicly traded or for which current market values are not readily available pursuant to policies and procedures adopted by the Board. The Board and Audit and Qualified Legal Compliance Committee will use the services of one or more independent valuation firms to help them determine the fair value of these securities. In addition, each member of the Audit and Qualified Legal Compliance Committee meets the current independence and experience requirements of Rule 10A-3 under the Exchange Act.

The Audit and Qualified Legal Compliance Committee met six times during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018. Mr. Ward acts as the Chairman of the Audit and Qualified Legal Compliance Committee and as the audit committee financial expert.

*The Governance and Compliance Committee.* The Trust's Governance and Compliance Committee's function is to oversee and make recommendations to the full Board or the Independent Trustees, as applicable, with respect to the governance of the Trust, selection and nomination of Trustees, compensation of Trustees, and related matters, as well as to oversee and assist Board oversight of the Trust's compliance with legal and regulatory requirements and to seek to address any potential conflicts of interest between the Trust and HCMFA in connection with any potential or existing litigation or other legal proceeding related to securities held by the Trust and the Adviser or another client of the Adviser. The Governance and Compliance Committee is also responsible for at least annually evaluating each Trustee and determining whether to recommend each Trustee's continued service in that capacity. The Governance and Compliance Committee will consider recommendations for Trustee nominees from shareholders sent to the Secretary of the Trust, 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201. A nomination submission must include all information relating to the recommended nominee that is required to be disclosed in solicitations or proxy statements for the election of Trustees, as well as information sufficient to evaluate the recommended nominee's ability to meet the responsibilities of a Trustee of the Trust. Nomination submissions must be accompanied by a written consent of the individual to stand for election if nominated by the Board and to serve if elected by the shareholders, and such additional information must be provided regarding the recommended nominee as reasonably requested by the Governance and Compliance Committee. The Governance and Compliance Committee is currently comprised of Dr. Froehlich and Messrs. Honis, Ward and Powell, each of whom is independent for purposes of the 1940 Act. Mr. Powell serves as the Chairman of the Governance and Compliance Committee. Prior to the February 28, 2019-March 1, 2019 Board Meeting, the Governance and Compliance Committee was divided into the Governance Committee and the Compliance Committee, each of which met three times during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018.

*The Distribution and Alternatives Oversight Committee.* The members of the Distribution and Alternatives Oversight Committee are Dr. Froehlich, Messrs. Honis, Norris, Ward, and Powell. The Distribution and Alternatives Oversight Committee is responsible for reviewing arrangements with financial intermediaries who provide service to the Trust, including Trust payments to financial intermediaries, and for overseeing any funds that, in the Board's determination, employ alternative investment strategies.

Dr. Froehlich serves as Chairman of the Distribution and Alternatives Oversight Committee. Prior to the February 28, 2019-March 1, 2019 Board Meeting, the Distribution and Alternatives Oversight Committee was divided into the Distribution Oversight Committee and the Alternatives Oversight Committee, each of which met two times during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018.

The Trust is led by Ethan Powell, who has served as the Chairman of the Board since December 2013. Under certain 1940 Act governance guidelines that apply to the Trust, the Independent Trustees will meet in executive session, at least quarterly. Under the Trust's governing documents, the Chairman of the Board is responsible for (a) presiding at board meetings, (b) calling special meetings on an as-needed basis, (c) execution and administration of Trust policies including (i) setting the agendas for board meetings and (ii) providing information to board members in advance of each board meeting and between board meetings. The Trust believes that the Chairman, and, as an entity, the full Board, provide effective leadership that is in the best interests of the Trust and each shareholder.

The Board periodically reviews its leadership structure, including the role of the Chairman. The Board also completes an annual self-assessment during which it reviews its leadership and Committee structure and considers whether its structure remains appropriate in light of the Trust's current operations. The Board believes that its leadership structure, including the current percentage of the Board who are Independent Trustees, is appropriate

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given its specific characteristics. These characteristics include: (i) the extent to which the work of the Board is conducted through the standing committees; (ii) the extent to which the Independent Trustees meet as needed, together with their independent legal counsel, in the absence of members of management and members of the Board who are “interested persons” of the Trust; and (iii) Mr. Powell’s and Mr. Honis’ previous positions with affiliates of the Adviser enhance the Board’s understanding of the operations of the Adviser.

### *Board Oversight of Risk Management*

The Board’s role is one of oversight, rather than active management. This oversight extends to the Trust’s risk management processes. These processes are embedded in the responsibilities of officers of, and service providers to, the Trust. For example, the Adviser and other service providers to the Trust are primarily responsible for the management of the Trust’s investment risks. The Board has not established a formal risk oversight committee; however, much of the regular work of the Board and its standing Committees addresses aspects of risk oversight. For example, the Trustees seek to understand the key risks facing the Trust, including those involving conflicts of interest; how management identifies and monitors these risks on an ongoing basis; how management develops and implements controls to mitigate these risks; and how management tests the effectiveness of those controls.

In the course of providing that oversight, the Board receives a wide range of reports on the Trust’s activities from the Adviser and other service providers, including reports regarding the Trust’s investment portfolio, the compliance of the Trust with applicable laws, and the Trust’s financial accounting and reporting. The Board also meets periodically with the Trust’s Chief Compliance Officer to receive reports regarding the compliance of the Trust with the federal securities laws and the Trust’s internal compliance policies and procedures, and meets with the Trust’s Chief Compliance Officer periodically, including at least annually, to review the Chief Compliance Officer’s annual report, including the Chief Compliance Officer’s risk-based analysis for the Trust. The Board’s Audit Committee also meets regularly with the Treasurer and Trust’s independent registered public accounting firm to discuss, among other things, the internal control structure of the Trust’s financial reporting function. The Board also meets periodically with the portfolio managers of the Trust to receive reports regarding the management of the Trust, including its investment risks.

### **Compensation of Trustees**

The officers of the Trust and those of its Trustees who are “interested persons” (as defined in the 1940 Act) of the Trust receive no direct remuneration from the Trust. The following table sets forth the aggregate compensation paid to each of the Trustees who is not an “interested person” (as defined in the 1940 Act) of the Trust (the “Independent Trustees”) by the Trust and the total compensation paid to each of the Trustees by the Highland Funds Complex for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018.

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<u>Name of Trustee</u>	<u>Aggregate Compensation From the Trust</u>	<u>Pension or Retirement Benefits Accrued as Part of the Fund's Expense</u>	<u>Estimated Annual Benefits Upon Retirement</u>	<u>Aggregate Compensation from the Highland Funds Complex</u>
<b>Independent Trustees</b>				
Timothy K. Hui <sup>1</sup>	\$ 21,454	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 150,000
Bryan A. Ward <sup>2</sup>	\$ 24,254	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 160,000
Dr. Bob Froehlich	\$ 21,454	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 150,000
John Honis <sup>3</sup>	\$ 21,454	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 150,000
Ethan Powell <sup>2, 4</sup>	\$ 24,254	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 160,000
<b>Interested Trustee</b>				
Dustin Norris <sup>5</sup>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

- 1 Effective March 31, 2019, Mr. Hui resigned as an Independent Trustee of the Trust. Mr. Hui's resignation was related to a reduction in the size of the Board to five members. There were no material conflicts, disagreements or other issues between Mr. Hui, the Board of Trustees or HCMFA.
- 2 Effective December 31, 2018, the Board approved an aggregate compensation increase of \$10,000 payable to each of the Chairman of the Audit Committee and the Chairman of the Board.
- 3 Effective May 1, 2015, Mr. Honis is treated as an Independent Trustee of the Trust.
- 4 Prior to December 8, 2017, Mr. Powell was treated as an Interested Trustee of the Trust for all purposes other than compensation and the Trust's code of ethics.
- 5 On February 7, 2018, Mr. Norris was appointed as an Interested Trustee of the Trust.

Each Independent Trustee receives an annual retainer of \$150,000 payable in quarterly installments and allocated among each portfolio in the Highland Funds Complex.

**Share Ownership**

Set forth in the table below is the dollar range of shares of the Trust and the aggregate dollar range of shares beneficially owned by each Trustee of the Trust as of March 31, 2019.

<u>Name of Trustee</u>	<u>Dollar Range of Shares of the Trust<sup>1</sup></u>	<u>Aggregate Dollar Range of Equity Securities<sup>1</sup> Owned in All Registered Investment Companies Overseen by Trustee in the Highland Funds Complex</u>
<b>Independent Trustees</b>		
Ethan Powell <sup>2</sup>	\$10,001-\$50,000	Over \$100,000
John Honis <sup>3</sup>	None	None
Dr. Bob Froehlich	\$10,001-\$50,000	Over \$100,000
Bryan A. Ward	None	Over \$100,000
<b>Interested Trustee</b>		
Dustin Norris <sup>4</sup>	\$1-\$10,000	Over \$100,000

- 1 Based on market value as of March 31, 2019.
- 2 Prior to December 8, 2017, Mr. Powell was treated as an Interested Trustee of the Trust for all purposes other than compensation and the Trust's code of ethics.
- 3 Effective May 1, 2015, Mr. Honis is treated as an Independent Trustee of the Trust.
- 4 On February 7, 2018, Mr. Norris was appointed as an Interested Trustee of the Trust.

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### Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures

The Board has delegated the voting of proxies for Trust securities to the Adviser pursuant to the Adviser's proxy voting policies and procedures. Under these policies and procedures, the Adviser will vote proxies related to Trust securities in the best interests of the Trust and its shareholders. A copy of the Adviser's proxy voting policies and procedures is attached as Appendix B to this Statement of Additional Information. The Trust's proxy voting record for the most recent 12-month period ended June 30, 2018 is available (i) without charge, upon request, by calling 1-866-351-4440 and (ii) on the SEC's web site (<http://www.sec.gov>).

### Codes of Ethics

The Trust and the Adviser have adopted codes of ethics under Rule 17j-1 of the 1940 Act. These codes permit personnel subject to the codes to invest in securities, including securities that may be purchased or held by the Trust. These codes can be reviewed and copied at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, D.C. Information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling the SEC at 1-202-551-8090. The codes of ethics are available on the EDGAR Database on the SEC's web site (<http://www.sec.gov>), and copies of these codes may be obtained, after paying a duplicating fee, by electronic request at the following e-mail address: [publicinfo@sec.gov](mailto:publicinfo@sec.gov), or by writing the SEC's Public Reference Section, Washington, D.C. 20549-0102.

### Investment Adviser

Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P. serves as the Trust's investment adviser pursuant to the Investment Advisory Agreement with the Trust. HCMFA is controlled by James Dondero and Mark Okada, by virtue of their respective share ownership, and its general partner, Strand Advisors XVI, Inc., of which Mr. Dondero is the sole stockholder.

Under the Investment Advisory Agreement, HCMFA receives a monthly fee, computed and accrued daily, at the annual rate of 0.65% of the Trust's Average Daily Managed Assets for the first \$1 billion, 0.60% of the Trust's Average Daily Managed Assets for the next \$1 billion and 0.55% of the Trust's Average Daily Managed Assets over \$2 billion.

The table below sets forth the advisory fees paid by the Trust, as well as any fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements, for the past three fiscal years:

	Six Months Ended December 31, 2018	Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018	Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017
<b>Gross Advisory Fee</b>	\$ 4,956,766	\$ 7,490,859	\$ 4,897,925
<b>Fee Waiver</b>	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ (169,993) <sup>1</sup>
<b>Net Advisory Fee</b>	\$ 4,956,766	\$ 7,490,859	\$ 4,727,932

- <sup>1</sup> HCMFA had contractually agreed to limit the total annual fund operating expenses of the Trust to 0.95% of average daily net assets attributable to any class of the Trust through October 31, 2016.

### Administrator/Sub-Administrator

HCMFA provides administration services to the Trust for a monthly administration fee, computed and accrued daily, at an annual rate of 0.20% of the Trust's Average Daily Managed Assets. In such capacity, HCMFA generally assists the Trust in all aspects of its administration and operations. As of October 1, 2018, under a separate sub-administration agreement, HCMFA has delegated certain administrative functions to SEI Investments Global Funds Services ("SEI"), One Freedom Valley Drive, Oaks, Pennsylvania 19456, and pays SEI a portion of the fee it receives from the Trust. Under the Sub-Administration Agreement, SEI has agreed to provide fund accounting services; asset data services; fund administration and reporting services; and regulatory administration services, including preparation and filing of various reports with the appropriate regulatory agencies and the SEC for the Trust. Prior to October 1, 2018, under a separate sub-administration agreement, HCMFA had delegated certain administrative functions to State Street, One Lincoln Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02111, and paid State Street a portion of the fee it receives from the Trust. Under the State Street sub-administration agreement, State Street had agreed to provide corporate secretarial services; prepare and file various reports with the appropriate regulatory agencies; assist in preparing various materials required by the SEC; and prepare various materials required by any state securities commission having jurisdiction over the Trust.

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The table below sets forth the administration fees paid by the Trust, as well as any fee waiver or reimbursement, for the past three fiscal years.

	Six Months Ended December 31, 2018	Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018	Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017
Gross Administration Fee	\$ 1,585,927	\$ 2,330,569	\$ 1,507,054
Fee Waiver/Reimbursement	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Net Administration Fee	\$ 1,585,927	\$ 2,330,569	\$ 1,507,054

**INFORMATION REGARDING PORTFOLIO MANAGERS**

The following table identifies: (i) the portfolio managers identified in the Prospectus who are primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Trust, (ii) the number of registered investment companies, other than the Trust, managed by each portfolio manager on a day-to-day basis and the corresponding total assets managed in such investment companies, (iii) the number of other pooled investment vehicles managed by each portfolio manager on a day-to-day basis and the corresponding total assets managed in such pooled investment vehicles, (iv) the number of other accounts managed by each portfolio manager on a day-to-day basis and the corresponding total assets managed in such other accounts, and (v) for each of the foregoing categories, the number of accounts and total assets in the accounts whose fees are based on performance, if any. All information is provided as of March 31, 2019.

As of March 31, 2019, Mark Okada managed the following client accounts:

Type of Account	Number of Accounts Managed	Total Assets (millions)	Number of Accounts Managed Subject to Performance-Based Advisory Fee	Total Assets Subject to Performance-Based Advisory Fee (millions)
Registered Investment Companies:	1	\$ 385.39	0	\$ 0
Other Pooled Investment Vehicles:	0	\$ 0	0	\$ 0
Other Accounts:	0	\$ 0	0	\$ 0

As of March 31, 2019, Jon Poglitsch managed the following client accounts:

Type of Account	Number of Accounts Managed	Total Assets (millions)	Number of Accounts Managed Subject to Performance-Based Advisory Fee	Total Assets Subject to Performance-Based Advisory Fee (millions)
Registered Investment Companies:	3	\$ 455.04	0	\$ 0
Other Pooled Investment Vehicles:	2	\$ 116.64	2	\$ 116.64
Other Accounts:	1	\$ 416.06	0	\$ 0

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As of March 31, 2019, Jim Dondero managed the following client accounts:

<u>Type of Account</u>	<u>Number of Accounts Managed</u>	<u>Total Assets (millions)</u>	<u>Number of Accounts Managed Subject to Performance-Based Advisory Fee</u>	<u>Total Assets Subject to Performance-Based Advisory Fee (millions)</u>
Registered Investment Companies:	11	\$ 1,565.60	1	\$ 100.46
Other Pooled Investment Vehicles:	2	\$ 707.64	2	\$ 707.42
Other Accounts:	0	\$ 0	0	\$ 0

### Compensation Structure – HCMFA

HCMFA's financial arrangements with its portfolio managers, its competitive compensation and its career path emphasis at all levels reflect the value senior management places on key resources. Compensation may include a variety of components and may vary from year to year based on a number of factors, including the pre-tax relative performance of a portfolio manager's underlying account, the pre-tax combined performance of the portfolio manager's underlying accounts, and the pre-tax relative performance of the portfolio manager's underlying accounts measured against other employees. Portfolio managers are compensated generally based on their investment performance. The portfolio managers and other investment professionals are ranked based on the alpha generated by their portfolio versus their target index benchmark. Their investment performance is evaluated both versus a target index benchmark return and also compared to the returns of their peers at HCMFA and its affiliates. Other attributes which may be considered in the evaluation process are communication, teamwork, attitude and leadership.

The Trust's target index is the S&P LSTA Leveraged Loan Index.

HCMFA is owned by Highland Capital Management Services, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("HCM Services") and its general partner, Strand Advisors XVI, Inc., of which Mr. James Dondero is the sole stockholder. HCM Services is controlled by Mr. Dondero and Mr. Mark Okada by virtue of their respective share ownership. Mr. Okada does not receive compensation based upon investment performance of the Trust for which he serves as portfolio manager and instead shares in the profits of HCMFA.

The principal components of compensation include a base salary, a discretionary bonus and various retirement benefits.

*Base compensation.* Generally, portfolio managers receive base compensation based on their seniority and/or their position with HCMFA, which may include the amount of assets supervised and other management roles within HCMFA. Base compensation is determined by taking into account current industry norms and market data to ensure that HCMFA pays a competitive base compensation.

*Discretionary compensation.* In addition to base compensation, portfolio managers may receive discretionary compensation, which can be a substantial portion of total compensation. Discretionary compensation can include a discretionary cash bonus paid to recognize specific business contributions and to ensure that the total level of compensation is competitive with the market, as well as participation in incentive plans, including one or more of the following:

Because each person's compensation is based on his or her individual performance, HCMFA does not have a typical percentage split among base salary, bonus and other compensation. Senior portfolio managers who perform additional management functions may receive additional compensation in these other capacities. Compensation is structured such that key professionals benefit from remaining with HCMFA.

For information about the Trust's conflicts of interest policy, please see "Risk Factors—Potential Conflicts of Interest" in the Prospectus.

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### Ownership of Securities

The following table sets forth the dollar range of equity securities of the Trust beneficially owned by each portfolio manager. This information is provided as of the fiscal year ended March 31, 2019.

	<b>Dollar Range of Equity Securities Beneficially Owned by Portfolio Manager<sup>1</sup></b>
Mark Okada	\$500,001 - \$1,000,000
Jon Poglitsch	\$10,001 - \$50,000
Jim Dondero	Over \$1,000,000

- <sup>1</sup> Mr. Poglitsch's beneficial ownership of these shares includes the value of deferred compensation payments that are determined as if the amount had been invested, as of the date awarded, in shares of the Trust.

### PORTFOLIO TRANSACTIONS AND BROKERAGE

#### Selection of Broker-Dealers; Order Placement

Subject to the overall review of the Board, the Adviser is responsible for decisions to buy and sell securities and other portfolio holdings of the Trust, for selecting the broker or dealer to be used, and for negotiating any commission rates paid. In underwritten offerings, securities usually are purchased at a fixed price that includes an amount of compensation to the underwriter, generally referred to as the underwriter's concession or discount. On occasion, certain money market instruments may be purchased directly from an issuer, in which case no commissions or discounts are paid.

The Adviser and its affiliates manage other accounts, including private funds and individual accounts that invest in senior loans and Trust investments. Although investment decisions for the Trust are made independently from those of such other accounts, investments of the type the Trust may make also may be made on behalf of such other accounts. When the Trust and one or more other accounts is prepared to invest in, or desires to dispose of, the same investment, available investments or opportunities for each are allocated in a manner believed by the Adviser to be equitable over time. The Adviser may (but is not obligated to) aggregate orders, which may include orders for accounts in which the Adviser or its affiliates have an interest, to purchase and sell securities to obtain favorable execution or lower brokerage commissions, to the extent permitted by applicable laws and regulations. Although the Adviser believes that, over time, the potential benefits of participating in volume transactions and negotiating lower transaction costs should benefit all participating accounts, in some cases these activities may adversely affect the price paid or received or the size of the position obtained by or disposed of for the Trust. Where trades are aggregated, the investments or proceeds, as well as the expenses incurred, will be allocated by the Adviser in a manner designed to be equitable and consistent with the Adviser's fiduciary duty to the Trust and its other clients (including its duty to seek to obtain best execution of client trades).

#### Commission Rates; Brokerage and Research Services

In placing orders for the Trust's portfolio, the Adviser is required to give primary consideration to obtaining the most favorable price and efficient execution. This means that the Adviser will seek to execute each transaction at a price and commission, if any, which provides the most favorable total cost or proceeds reasonably attainable in the circumstances. In seeking the most favorable price and execution, the Adviser, having in mind the Trust's best interests, will consider all factors it deems relevant, including, by way of illustration: price; the size, type and difficulty of the transaction; the nature of the market for the security; the amount of the commission; the timing of the transaction taking into account market prices and trends; operational capabilities; the reputation, experience and financial stability of the broker-dealer involved; and the quality of service rendered by the broker-dealer in other

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transactions. Though the Adviser generally seeks reasonably competitive commissions or spreads, the Trust will not necessarily be paying the lowest commission or spread available. The Adviser may place portfolio transactions, to the extent permitted by law, with brokerage firms participating in a distribution of the Trust's shares if it reasonably believes that the quality of execution and the commission are comparable to that available from other qualified firms.

The Adviser seeks to obtain "best execution" considering the execution price and overall commission costs paid and other factors. The Adviser routes its orders to various broker-dealers for execution at its discretion. Factors involved in selecting brokerage firms include the size, type and difficulty of the transaction, the nature of the market for the security, the reputation, experience and financial stability of the broker-dealer involved, the quality of service, the quality of research and investment information provided and the firm's risk in positioning a block of securities. Within the framework of the policy of obtaining the most favorable price and efficient execution, the Adviser does consider "brokerage and research services" (as defined in the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) provided by brokers who effect portfolio transactions with the Adviser or the Trust. "Brokerage and research services" are services that brokerage houses customarily provide to institutional investors and include statistical and economic data and research reports on particular issuers and industries.

### **Affiliated Brokers; Regular Broker-Dealers**

The Adviser is currently affiliated with NexBank Securities, Inc. ("NexBank"), a Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA") member broker-dealer that is indirectly controlled by the principals of the Adviser. Absent an exemption from the SEC or other regulatory relief, the Trust is generally precluded from effecting certain principal transactions with affiliated brokers. The Trust may utilize affiliated brokers for agency transactions subject to compliance with policies and procedures adopted pursuant to Rule 17e-1 under the 1940 Act. These policies and procedures are designed to provide that commissions, fees or other remuneration received by any affiliated broker or its affiliates for agency transactions are reasonable and fair compared to the remuneration received by other brokers in comparable transactions.

During the six months ended December 31, 2018, and the fiscal years ended June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2017, the Trust paid brokerage commissions of \$42,520, \$103,395, and \$3,700, respectively, of which \$0 was paid to NexBank.

There were no payments made to other brokers by the Trust during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018 that were directed at least partially on the basis of research services they provided.

During the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018, the Trust did not acquire any securities of its regular brokers or dealers. At that date, the Trust did not hold any securities of its regular brokers or dealers. For these purposes, regular brokers or dealers are (a) the brokers or dealers that received the greatest dollar amount of brokerage commissions by virtue of direct or indirect participation in the Trust's portfolio transactions during the Trust's most recent fiscal year, (b) the brokers or dealers that engaged as principal in the largest dollar amount of portfolio transactions of the Trust during the Trust's most recent fiscal year, or (c) the brokers or dealers that sold the largest dollar amount of securities of the Trust during the Trust's most recent fiscal year.

### **Expedited Settlement Agreement**

The Trust has entered into an Expedited Settlement Agreement with two major dealers in the floating rate loan market, pursuant to which the Trust has the right to designate certain loans it sells to the dealer to settle on or prior to three days from the trade date in exchange for a quarterly fee (the "Agreements").

These Agreements are designed to reduce settlement times from the standard seven days to three days for eligible loans. While the Agreements are intended to provide the Trust with additional liquidity with respect to such loans, and may not represent the exclusive method of expedited settlement of such loans, no assurance can be given that the Agreements or other methods for expediting settlements will provide the Trust with sufficient liquidity in the event of abnormally large redemptions.



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A principal shareholder is any person who owns (either of record or beneficially) 5% or more of the outstanding shares of a fund. A control person is one who owns, either directly or indirectly more than 25% of the voting securities of a company or acknowledges the existence of control. A control person may be able to determine the outcome of a matter put to a shareholder vote. As of as of May 31, 2019, there were no owners of preferred shares of the Trust.

As of May 31, 2019, the Trustees and officers beneficially owned less than 1% of the Trust's outstanding shares of common stock.

As of May 31, 2019, the Trust was not aware of any entities or persons to own of record or beneficially 25% or more of the outstanding shares of the Trust's common stock.

As of May 31, 2019, the only persons known by the Trust to own of record or beneficially 5% or more of any class of the outstanding shares of the Trust were as follows:

<b>Name and Address of Beneficial Owner of Common Shares</b>	<b>Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership*</b>	<b>Percentage of Class</b>
Morgan Stanley Smith Barney LLC P.O. Box 703 New York, NY 10014	13,759,082 shares	19.44%
National Financial Services LLC For Exclusive Benefit of Our Customers 499 Washington Boulevard Attn: Mutual Fund Dept., 4th Floor Jersey City, NJ 07310	9,318,546 shares	13.16%
Wells Fargo Clearing Services LLC P.O. Box 5268 Sioux Falls, SD 57117	7,454,363 shares	10.53%
Pershing LLC 1 Pershing Plaza, 7th Floor Jersey City, NJ 07399	5,043,870 shares	7.13%

\* Each owner owned shares as a nominee

**REPURCHASE OF COMMON SHARES**

The Trust is a closed-end management investment company and as such its shareholders will not have the right to cause the Trust to redeem their shares. Instead, the Trust's common shares will trade in the open market at a price that will be a function of several factors, including dividend levels (which are in turn affected by performance and expenses), net asset value, call protection, dividend stability, relative demand for and supply of such shares in the market, general market and economic conditions and other factors. Because shares of a closed-end investment company may frequently trade at prices lower than net asset value, the Board may consider action that might be taken to reduce or eliminate any material discount from net asset value in respect of common shares, which may include the repurchase of such shares in the open market or in private transactions, the making of a tender offer for such shares, or the conversion of the Trust to an open-end investment company. The Board may decide not to take any of these actions. In addition, there can be no assurance that share repurchases or tender offers, if undertaken, will reduce market discount.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, at any time when there are outstanding borrowings, the Trust may not purchase, redeem or otherwise acquire any of its common shares unless (i) all accrued preferred shares dividends have been paid and (ii) at the time of such purchase, redemption or acquisition, the net asset value of the Trust's portfolio (determined after deducting the acquisition price of the common shares) is at least 200% of the liquidation value of the outstanding borrowings. Any service fees incurred in connection with any tender offer made by the Trust will be borne by the Trust and will not reduce the stated consideration to be paid to tendering shareholders.

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Subject to its investment restrictions, the Trust may borrow to finance the repurchase of shares or to make a tender offer. Interest on any borrowings to finance share repurchase transactions or the accumulation of cash by the Trust in anticipation of share repurchases or tenders will reduce the Trust's net income. Any share repurchase, tender offer or borrowing that might be approved by the Board would have to comply with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the 1940 Act and the rules and regulations thereunder.

Although the decision to take action in response to a discount from net asset value will be made by the Board at the time it considers such issue, it is the Board's present policy, which may be changed by the Board, not to authorize repurchases of common shares or a tender offer for such shares if: (1) such transactions, if consummated, would (a) result in the delisting of the common shares from the New York Stock Exchange, or (b) impair the Trust's eligibility for treatment as a RIC under the Code (which could cause the Trust's income to be taxed at the corporate level in addition to the taxation of shareholders who receive dividends from the Trust), or as a registered closed-end investment company under the 1940 Act; (2) the Trust would not be able to liquidate portfolio securities in an orderly manner and consistent with the Trust's investment objectives and policies in order to repurchase shares; or (3) there is, in the Board's judgment, any (a) material legal action or proceeding instituted or threatened challenging such transactions or otherwise materially adversely affecting the Trust, (b) general suspension of or limitation on prices for trading securities on the New York Stock Exchange, (c) declaration of a banking moratorium by federal or state authorities or any suspension of payment by U.S. or New York banks, (d) material limitation affecting the Trust or the issuers of its portfolio securities by federal or state authorities on the extension of credit by lending institutions or on the exchange of foreign currency, (e) commencement of war, armed hostilities or other international or national calamity directly or indirectly involving the United States or (f) other event or condition which would have a material adverse effect (including any adverse tax effect) on the Trust or its shareholders if shares were repurchased. The Board may in the future modify these conditions in light of experience.

The repurchase by the Trust of its shares at prices below net asset value will result in an increase in the net asset value of those shares that remain outstanding. However, there can be no assurance that share repurchases or tender offers at or below net asset value will result in the Trust's shares trading at a price equal to their net asset value. Nevertheless, the fact that the Trust's shares may be the subject of repurchase or tender offers from time to time, or that the Trust may be converted to an open-end investment company, may reduce any spread between market price and net asset value that might otherwise exist.

Before deciding whether to take any action if the common shares trade below net asset value, the Board would likely consider all relevant factors, including the extent and duration of the discount, the liquidity of the Trust's portfolio, the impact of any action that might be taken on the Trust or its shareholders and market considerations. Based on these considerations, even if the Trust's shares should trade at a discount, the Board may determine that, in the interest of the Trust and its shareholders, no action should be taken.

If the Board determines to repurchase common shares in a private transaction or to make a tender offer for the common shares, the terms of any such offer may require a selling or tendering (as applicable) shareholder to sell or tender (and thus effectively sell) all of his or her or its common shares held, or considered to be held under certain attribution rules of the Code, by such shareholder. Shareholders who sell (in a private repurchase transaction) or successfully tender and effectively sell (pursuant to a tender offer) to the Trust all common shares held or considered to be held by them generally will be treated as having sold their shares and generally will realize a capital gain or loss. If a shareholder sells or tenders and effectively sells, as applicable, fewer than all of his or her common shares, such shareholder may be treated as having received a distribution under Section 301 of the Code ("Section 301 distribution") unless such distribution is treated as being either (i) "substantially disproportionate" with respect to such shareholder or (ii) otherwise "not essentially equivalent to a dividend" under the relevant rules of the Code. A Section 301 distribution is not treated as a sale or exchange giving rise to a capital gain or loss, but rather is treated as a dividend to the extent supported by the Trust's current and accumulated earnings and profits, with the excess treated as a return of capital reducing the shareholder's tax basis in Trust shares, and thereafter as capital gain. Where a redeeming shareholder is treated as receiving a dividend, there is a risk that remaining shareholders whose

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percentage share interests in the Trust increase as a result of such sale or tender by the other shareholder will be treated as having received a taxable distribution from the Trust. The extent of such risk will vary depending upon the particular circumstances of the private repurchase or tender offer, in particular whether such offer is a single and isolated event or is part of a plan for periodically redeeming the common shares of the Trust; if isolated, any such risk is likely remote. If, instead, the Board determines to repurchase common shares on the open market, a selling shareholder may also be treated as having received a taxable dividend upon the sale, even though a selling shareholder would have no specific knowledge that he or she or it is selling shares to the Trust. In that event, there is generally a risk that remaining shareholders whose percentage share interests in the Trust increase as a result of any such open-market sales will be treated as having received a taxable distribution from the Trust.

To the extent the Trust recognizes net gains on the liquidation of portfolio securities to meet any such repurchase or tender, the Trust will be required to make additional distributions to its common shareholders.

### **ERISA MATTERS**

Persons who are fiduciaries with respect to an employee benefit plan or other arrangement subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”) and persons who are fiduciaries with respect to an individual retirement account or Keogh Plan, which is not subject to ERISA but is subject to the prohibited transaction rules of Section 4975 of the Code (collectively, “Benefit Plan Investors”) should consider, among other things, the matters described below before determining whether to invest in the Trust.

ERISA imposes certain responsibilities on persons who are fiduciaries with respect to an ERISA plan, including prudence, diversification, and an obligation not to engage in a prohibited transaction. Before investing the assets of an ERISA plan in the Trust, a fiduciary should determine whether the investment is consistent with its fiduciary responsibilities. For example, a fiduciary should consider whether an investment in the Trust may be too illiquid or too speculative for a particular ERISA plan, and whether the assets of the ERISA plan would be sufficiently diversified. If a fiduciary with respect to an ERISA Plan breaches its responsibilities, the fiduciary may be held liable for losses incurred by the ERISA plan as a result of the breach.

Because the Trust is registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act, it is anticipated that the Trust’s assets will not be deemed “plan assets” of the ERISA plans investing in the Trust for purposes of the fiduciary responsibility and prohibited transaction rules of ERISA and the Code. For this reason, the Investment Adviser should not be a fiduciary within the meaning of ERISA with respect to the assets of any ERISA plan solely as a result of the ERISA plan’s investment in the Trust.

ERISA prohibits (and the Code penalizes) the use of the assets of a Benefit Plan Investor for the benefit of a party in interest and also prohibits (or penalizes) such an investor’s fiduciary from using its position to cause a Benefit Plan Investor to make an investment from which the fiduciary or certain third-parties in which the fiduciary has an interest would receive a fee or other consideration.

Benefit Plan Investors and their fiduciaries should consult with their own counsel and other advisors to determine if participation in the Trust is a transaction that is prohibited by ERISA or the Code or is otherwise inappropriate. Employee benefit plans or similar arrangements which are not subject to ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code may be subject to other rules governing such plans. Fiduciaries of employee benefit plans or similar arrangements which are not subject to ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code should consult with their own counsel and other advisors regarding such matters.

The provisions of ERISA and the Code are subject to extensive and continuing administrative and judicial interpretation and review. The discussion of ERISA and the Code is, of necessity, general and may be affected by future publication of regulations and rulings.

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The following discussion of U.S. federal income tax consequences of investment in common and preferred shares of the Trust is based on the Code, U.S. Treasury regulations promulgated thereunder, and other applicable authority, as of the date of this Statement of Additional Information. These authorities may be changed, possibly with retroactive effect, or become subject to new legislative, administrative, or judicial interpretation. The following discussion is only a summary of some of the important U.S. federal tax considerations generally applicable to investments in the Trust and does not constitute tax advice. This summary does not purport to be a complete description of the U.S. federal income tax considerations applicable to an investment in preferred shares of the Trust. There may be other U.S. federal income tax consequences applicable to particular preferred shareholders. For example, except as otherwise specifically noted herein, we have not described certain tax considerations that may be relevant to certain types of holders subject to special treatment under the U.S. federal income tax laws, including shareholders subject to the U.S. federal alternative minimum tax, insurance companies, tax-exempt organizations, pension plans and trusts, RICs, dealers in securities, shareholders holding Trust shares through tax-advantaged accounts (such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts), financial institutions, shareholders holding Trust shares as part of a hedge, straddle, or conversion transaction, entities that are not organized under the laws of the United States or a political subdivision thereof, and persons who are neither citizens nor residents of the United States. This summary assumes that investors hold Trust preferred shares as capital assets (within the meaning of the Code). Shareholders should consult their own tax advisers regarding their particular situation and the possible application of U.S. federal, state, local, foreign or other tax laws.

This summary does not discuss the tax consequences of an investment in subscription rights of the Trust, separately, or as part of a unit consisting of two or more securities. See “Description of Capital Structure—Subscription Rights” in the Prospectus for a discussion of the material U.S. federal income tax consequences of the Trust’s issuance of subscription rights to preferred shareholders.

**Taxation of the Trust**

The Trust has elected to be treated as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code and intends each year to qualify and to be eligible to be treated as such. In order to qualify for the special tax treatment accorded RICs and their shareholders, the Trust must, among other things:

- (i) derive at least 90% of its gross income for each taxable year from: (a) dividends, interest (including tax-exempt interest), payments with respect to certain securities loans, gains from the sale or other disposition of stock, securities or foreign currencies, or other income (including but not limited to gains from options, futures and forward contracts) derived with respect to its business of investing in such stock, securities or foreign currencies; and (b) net income derived from interests in “qualified publicly traded partnerships” (as described below);
- (ii) diversify its holdings so that, at the end of each quarter of the Trust’s taxable year, (a) at least 50% of the market value of the Trust’s total assets consists of cash and cash items, U.S. government securities, the securities of other RICs and other securities limited, in respect of any one issuer, to an amount not greater than 5% of the value of the Trust’s total assets and not more than 10% of the outstanding voting securities of such issuer, and (b) not more than 25% of the value of the Trust’s total assets is invested, including through corporations in which the Trust owns a 20% or more voting stock interest, (x) in the securities (other than U.S. government securities and the securities of other RICs) of any one issuer or of two or more issuers that the Trust controls, as determined under applicable Code rules, and that are determined to be engaged in the same business or similar or related trades or businesses, or (y) in the securities of one or more “qualified publicly traded partnerships” (as described below); and
- (iii) distribute to its shareholders with respect to each taxable year at least the sum of 90% of its “investment company taxable income” (as that term is defined in the Code, without regard to the deduction for dividends paid—generally taxable ordinary income and the excess, if any, of net short-term capital gains over net long-term capital losses) and 90% of any net tax-exempt interest income (the excess of its gross tax-exempt interest over certain disallowed deductions), for such year.

In general, for purposes of the 90% gross income requirement described in (i) above, income derived from a partnership will be treated as qualifying income only to the extent such income is attributable to items of income of the partnership which would be qualifying income if realized directly by the RIC. However, 100% of the net income derived from an interest in a “qualified publicly traded partnership” (generally, a partnership (y) interests in which are traded on an established securities market or readily tradable

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on a secondary market or the substantial equivalent thereof and (z) that derives less than 90% of its income from the qualifying income described in (i)(a) above) will be treated as qualifying income. In general, such entities will be treated as partnerships for federal income tax purposes because they meet the passive income requirement under Section 7704(c)(2) of the Code. MLPs in which the Trust may invest will generally qualify as qualified publicly traded partnerships. In addition, although in general the passive loss rules of the Code do not apply to RICs, such rules do apply to a RIC with respect to items attributable to an interest in a qualified publicly traded partnership.

For purposes of meeting the diversification requirement described in (ii) above, the term “outstanding voting securities of such issuer” will include the equity securities of a qualified publicly traded partnership. Also, for purposes of the diversification test in (ii) above, the identification of the issuer (or, in some cases, issuers) of a particular Trust investment can depend on the terms and conditions of that investment. In some cases, identification of the issuer (or issuers) is uncertain under current law, and an adverse determination or future guidance by the Internal Revenue Service (“IRS”) with respect to issuer identification for a particular type of investment may adversely affect the Trust’s ability to meet the diversification test in (ii) above.

If the Trust qualifies as a RIC (i.e., satisfies the source of income and diversification requirements described in (i) and (ii) above) and satisfies the annual distribution requirement described in (iii) above, the Trust will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on income or gains distributed in a timely manner to its shareholders in the form of dividends (including Capital Gain Dividends, as defined below).

If, for any taxable year, the Trust were to fail to meet the income, diversification or distribution test described above, the Trust could in some cases cure such failure, including by paying a Trust-level tax, paying interest, making additional distributions or disposing of certain assets. If the Trust were ineligible to or otherwise did not cure any such failure for any year, or if the Trust were otherwise to fail to qualify as a RIC accorded special tax treatment for such year, the Trust would be subject to tax on its taxable income at corporate rates, and all distributions from earnings and profits, including any distributions of net long-term capital gains, would be taxable to shareholders as ordinary income. Some portions of such distributions might be eligible for the dividends-received deduction in the case of corporate shareholders and might be eligible to be treated as “qualified dividend income” and thus taxable at the lower long-term capital gain rate in the case of shareholders taxed at individual rates, provided, in both cases, the shareholder met certain holding period and other requirements in respect of the Trust’s shares (as described below). In addition, the Trust might be required to recognize unrealized gains, pay substantial taxes and interest and make substantial distributions before re-qualifying as a RIC.

The Trust intends to distribute at least annually to its shareholders all or substantially all of its investment company taxable income (computed without regard to the dividends-paid deduction) and its net capital gain (that is, the excess of net long-term capital gain over net short-term capital loss, in each case determined with reference to any loss carryforwards). Any investment company taxable income retained by the Trust will be subject to a Trust-level tax at regular corporate rates. The Trust may also retain for investment its net capital gain. If the Trust retains any net capital gain, it will be subject to Trust-level tax at regular corporate rates on the amount retained, but may designate the retained amount as undistributed capital gains in a timely notice to its shareholders who would then, in turn, be (i) required to include in income for U.S. federal income tax purposes, as long-term capital gain, their shares of such undistributed amount, and (ii) entitled to credit their proportionate shares of the tax paid by the Trust on such undistributed amount against their U.S. federal income tax liabilities, if any, and to claim refunds on a properly-filed U.S. tax return to the extent the credit exceeds such liabilities. If the Trust makes this designation, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the tax basis of shares owned by a shareholder of the Trust would be increased by an amount equal under current law to the difference between the amount of undistributed capital gains included in the shareholder’s gross income under clause (i) of the preceding sentence and the tax deemed paid by the shareholder under clause (ii) of the preceding sentence. The Trust is not required to, and there can be no assurance the Trust will, make this designation if it retains all or a portion of its net capital gain in a taxable year.

In determining its net capital gain, including in connection with determining the amount available to support a Capital Gain Dividend, its taxable income, and its earnings and profits, a RIC generally may elect to treat part or all of any post-October capital loss (defined as any net capital loss attributable to the portion of the taxable year after October 31 or, if there is no such loss, the net long-term capital loss or net short-term capital loss attributable to such portion of the taxable year) or late-year ordinary loss (generally, the sum of its (i) net ordinary loss from the sale, exchange or other taxable disposition of property, attributable to the portion of the taxable year after October 31, and its (ii) other net ordinary loss attributable to the portion, if any, of the taxable year after December 31) as if incurred in the succeeding taxable year.

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If the Trust fails to distribute in a calendar year at least an amount equal to the sum of 98% of its ordinary income for such year and 98.2% of its capital gain net income (adjusted for certain ordinary losses) for the one-year period ending on October 31 of such year (unless an election is made to use the Trust's taxable year), plus any such undistributed amounts from the prior year, the Trust will be subject to a nondeductible 4% excise tax on the undistributed amounts. For purposes of the required excise tax distribution, a RIC's ordinary gains and losses from the sale, exchange or other taxable disposition of property that would otherwise be taken into account after October 31 of a calendar year generally (unless an election is made to use the Trust's taxable year) are treated as arising on January 1 of the following calendar year. Also, for these purposes, the Trust will be treated as having distributed any amount on which it has been subject to corporate income tax in the taxable year ending with the calendar year. The Trust reserves the right to pay the excise tax when circumstances warrant.

Capital losses in excess of capital gains ("net capital losses") are not permitted to be deducted against the Trust's net investment income. Instead, potentially subject to certain limitations, the Trust may carry net capital losses from any taxable year forward to subsequent taxable years to offset capital gains, if any, realized during such subsequent taxable year. Capital loss carryforwards are reduced to the extent they offset current-year net realized capital gains, whether the Trust retains or distributes such gains. If the Trust incurs or has incurred net capital losses in taxable years beginning after December 22, 2010 ("post-2010 losses"), those losses will be carried forward to one or more subsequent taxable years without expiration to offset capital gains realized during such subsequent taxable years; any such carryforward losses will retain their character as short-term or long-term. If the Trust incurred net capital losses in a taxable year beginning on or before December 22, 2010 ("pre-2011 losses"), the Trust is permitted to carry such losses forward for eight taxable years; in the year to which they are carried forward, such losses are treated as short-term capital losses that first offset any short-term capital gains, and then offset any long-term capital gains. The Trust must use any post-2010 losses, which will not expire, before it uses any pre-2011 losses. This increases the likelihood that pre-2011 losses will expire unused at the conclusion of the eight-year carryforward period.

The Trust's ability to use net capital losses may be limited following the occurrence of certain (i) acquisitive reorganizations and (ii) shifts in the ownership of the Trust by a shareholder owning or treated as owning 5% or more of the shares of the Trust (each, an "ownership change"). The Code may similarly limit the Trust's ability to use any of its other capital losses, or ordinary losses, that have accrued but have not been recognized (i.e., "built-in" losses) at the time of an ownership change to the extent they are realized within the five-year period following the ownership change.

See the Trust's most recent annual shareholder report for the Trust's available capital loss carryovers as of the end of its most recently ended fiscal year.

## **Trust Distributions**

Distributions are taxable to shareholders even if they are paid from income or gains earned by the Trust before a shareholder invested in the Trust (and thus were included in the price the shareholder paid for its shares). Distributions are taxable whether shareholders receive them in cash or reinvest them in additional shares through the Trust's Dividend Reinvestment Plan. A shareholder whose distributions are reinvested in shares through the Trust's Dividend Reinvestment Plan will be treated as having received a dividend equal to, generally, the fair market value of new preferred shares issued to the shareholder. See "Dividend Reinvestment Plan" in the Trust's Prospectus for more information.

Dividends and other distributions paid by the Trust are generally treated under the Code as received by shareholders at the time the dividend or distribution is made. However, a dividend paid to shareholders in January of a year generally is deemed to have been paid by the Trust on December 31 of the preceding year, if the dividend was declared and payable to shareholders of record on a date in October, November or December of that preceding year.

Your broker or other intermediary will send you information after the end of each year setting forth the amount and tax status of any dividends or other distributions paid to you by the Trust.

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For U.S. federal income tax purposes, distributions of investment income are generally taxable as ordinary income. Taxes on distributions of capital gains are determined by how long the Trust has owned or is treated as having owned the investments that generated them, rather than how long a shareholder has owned his or her shares. In general, the Trust will recognize long-term capital gain or loss on investments it has owned (or is deemed to have owned) for more than one year, and short-term capital gain or loss on investments it has owned (or is deemed to have owned) for one year or less. Distributions of net capital gain that are properly reported by the Trust as capital gain dividends ("Capital Gain Dividends") will generally be taxable to shareholders as long-term capital gains. Distributions from capital gains are generally made after applying any available capital loss carryovers. Distributions of net short-term capital gain (that is, the excess of net short-term capital gain over net long-term capital loss for the taxable year, in each case determined with reference to loss carryforwards) will generally be taxable to shareholders receiving such distributions as ordinary income. Distributions of investment income reported by the Trust as derived from "qualified dividend income" will be taxed in the hands of individuals at the rates applicable to long-term capital gain, provided holding period and other requirements are met at both the shareholder and Trust level. The Trust does not expect a significant portion of Trust distributions to be derived from qualified dividend income.

In order for some portion of the dividends received by a Trust shareholder to be qualified dividend income, the Trust must meet holding period and other requirements with respect to some portion of the dividend-paying stocks in its portfolio and the shareholder must meet holding period and other requirements with respect to the Trust's shares. In general, a dividend will not be treated as qualified dividend income (at either the Trust or shareholder level) (1) if the dividend is received with respect to any share of stock held for fewer than 61 days during the 121-day period beginning on the date which is 60 days before the date on which such share becomes ex-dividend with respect to such dividend (or, in the case of certain preferred stock, 91 days during the 181-day period beginning 90 days before such date), (2) to the extent that the recipient is under an obligation (whether pursuant to a short sale or otherwise) to make related payments with respect to positions in substantially similar or related property, (3) if the recipient elects to have the dividend income treated as investment income for purposes of the limitation on deductibility of investment interest, or (4) if the dividend is received from a foreign corporation that is (a) not eligible for the benefits of a comprehensive income tax treaty with the United States (with the exception of dividends paid on stock of such a foreign corporation readily tradable on an established securities market in the United States) or (b) treated as a passive foreign investment company.

In general, distributions of investment income reported by the Trust as derived from qualified dividend income will be treated as qualified dividend income by a shareholder taxed at individual rates, provided the shareholder meets the holding period and other requirements described in the paragraph immediately above with respect to the Trust's shares.

In general, dividends of net investment income received by corporate shareholders of the Trust will qualify for the 50% dividends-received deduction generally available to corporations to the extent of the amount of eligible dividends received by the Trust from domestic corporations for the taxable year. In general, a dividend received by the Trust will not be treated as a qualifying dividend (i) if it has been received with respect to any share of stock that the Trust has held for less than 46 days (91 days in the case of certain preferred stock) during the 91-day period beginning on the date which is 45 days before the date on which such share becomes ex-dividend with respect to such dividend (during the 181-day period beginning 90 days before such date in the case of certain preferred stock) or (ii) to the extent that the Trust is under an obligation (pursuant to a short sale or otherwise) to make related payments with respect to positions in substantially similar or related property. Moreover, the dividends-received deduction may be disallowed or reduced (i) if the corporate shareholder fails to satisfy the foregoing requirements with respect to its shares of the Trust or (ii) by application of various provisions of the Code (for instance, the dividends-received deduction is reduced in the case of a dividend received on debt-financed portfolio stock (generally, stock acquired with borrowed funds)). The Trust does not expect a significant portion of Trust distributions to be eligible for this corporate dividends-received deduction.

Any distribution of income that is attributable to (i) income received by the Trust in lieu of dividends with respect to securities on loan pursuant to a securities lending transaction or (ii) dividend income received by the Trust on securities it temporarily purchased from a counterparty pursuant to a repurchase agreement that is treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a loan by the Trust will not constitute qualified dividend income to individual shareholders and will not be eligible for the dividends-received deduction for corporate shareholders.

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The Code generally imposes a 3.8% Medicare contribution tax on the net investment income of certain individuals, trusts and estates to the extent their income exceeds certain threshold amounts. For these purposes, “net investment income” generally includes, among other things, (i) distributions paid by the Trust of net investment income and capital gains as described above, and (ii) any net gain from the sale or exchange of Trust shares. Shareholders are advised to consult their tax advisors regarding the possible implications of this additional tax on their investment in the Trust.

### **Return of Capital Distributions**

If the Trust makes a distribution to a shareholder in excess of the Trust’s current and accumulated earnings and profits in any taxable year, the excess distribution will be treated as a return of capital to the extent of such shareholder’s tax basis in its shares, and thereafter as capital gain. A return of capital is not taxable, but it reduces a shareholder’s tax basis in its shares, thus reducing any loss or increasing any gain on a subsequent taxable disposition by the shareholder of its shares.

Distributions on the Trust’s shares are generally subject to U.S. federal income tax as described herein to the extent they do not exceed the Trust’s realized income and gains, even though such dividends and distributions may economically represent a return of a particular shareholder’s investment. Such distributions are likely to occur in respect of shares purchased at a time when the Trust’s net asset value reflects either unrealized gains, or realized but undistributed income or gains, that were therefore included in the price the shareholder paid. Such distributions may reduce the value of the Trust’s shares below the shareholder’s cost basis in those shares. As described above, the Trust is required to distribute realized income and gains regardless of whether the Trust’s net asset value also reflects unrealized losses.

### **Tax Implications of Certain Trust Investments**

Some debt obligations with a fixed maturity date of more than one year from the date of issuance that are acquired by the Trust in the secondary market may be treated as having “market discount.” Very generally, market discount is the excess of the stated redemption price of a debt obligation (or in the case of an obligation issued with OID (as defined below), its “revised issue price”) over the purchase price of such obligation. Generally, any gain recognized on the disposition of, and any partial payment of principal on, a debt obligation having market discount is treated as ordinary income to the extent the gain, or principal payment, does not exceed the “accrued market discount” on such debt obligation. Alternatively, a holder may elect to accrue market discount currently. As of the date of this Statement of Additional Information, the Trust has made this election, and as such, the Trust is required to include currently any accrued market discount on such debt obligations in the Trust’s taxable income (as ordinary income) and thus distribute it over the terms of the obligations, even though payment of those amounts is not received until a later time, upon partial or full repayment or disposition of the applicable debt obligations. The Trust reserves the right to revoke this election at any time pursuant to applicable IRS procedures. The rate at which market discount accrues, and thus is included in the Trust’s income, will depend upon which of the permitted accrual methods the Trust elects.

In addition, some debt obligations with a fixed maturity date of more than one year from the date of issuance (and zero-coupon debt obligations with a fixed maturity date of more than one year from the date of issuance) will be treated as debt obligations that are issued originally at a discount. Generally, the amount of the original issue discount (“OID”) is treated as interest income and is included in taxable income (and required to be distributed by the Trust) over the term of the debt obligation, even though payment of that amount is not received until a later time, upon partial or full repayment or disposition of the debt obligation. In addition, PIK securities will give rise to income which is required to be distributed and is taxable even though the Trust receives no interest payment in cash on the security during the year in which the income was accrued.

The Trust expects that a substantial portion of the Trust’s investments in loans and other debt obligations will be treated as having market discount and/or OID, which, in some cases, could be significant.



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Some debt obligations with a fixed maturity date of one year or less from the date of issuance that are acquired by the Trust may be treated as having OID or, in certain cases, “acquisition discount” (very generally, the excess of the stated redemption price over the purchase price). Generally, the Trust will be required to include the OID or acquisition discount in income (as ordinary income) over the term of the debt obligation and thus distribute it over the term of the debt obligation, even though payment of that amount is not received until a later time, upon partial or full repayment or disposition of the debt obligation. The rate at which OID or acquisition discount accrues, and thus is included in the Trust’s income, will depend upon which of the permitted accrual methods the Trust elects.

Some preferred securities may include provisions that permit the issuer, at its discretion, to defer the payment of distributions for a stated period without any adverse consequences to the issuer. If the Trust owns a preferred security that is deferring the payment of its distributions, the Trust may be required to report income for U.S. federal income tax purposes to the extent of any such deferred distribution even though the Trust has not yet actually received the cash distribution.

As a result of holding the foregoing kinds of debt obligations or other debt obligations subject to special rules under the Code, the Trust may be required to pay out as an income distribution each year an amount which is greater than the total amount of cash interest (or dividends in the case of preferred securities) the Trust actually received. Such distributions may be made from, among other things, the cash assets of the Trust or cash generated from the Trust’s liquidation of portfolio securities. The Trust may realize gains or losses from such liquidations. In the event the Trust realizes net long-term or short-term capital gains from such transactions, its shareholders may receive a larger capital gain or ordinary dividend, respectively, than they would in the absence of such transactions.

Investments in distressed debt obligations that are at risk of or in default present special tax issues for the Trust. Tax rules are not entirely clear about issues such as whether and to what extent the Trust should recognize market discount on these debt obligations, when the Trust may cease to accrue interest, OID or market discount, when and to what extent the Trust may take deductions for bad debts or worthless securities and how the Trust should allocate payments received on obligations in default between principal and income. These and other related issues will be addressed by the Trust when, as and if it invests in such securities, in order to seek to ensure that it distributes sufficient income to preserve its eligibility for treatment as a RIC and does not become subject to U.S. federal income or excise tax.

A portion of the OID accrued on certain high-yield discount obligations owned by the Trust may not be deductible to the issuer and will instead be treated as a dividend paid by the issuer for purposes of the dividends-received deduction. In such cases, if the issuer of the obligation is a domestic corporation, dividend payments by the Trust may be eligible for the dividends-received deduction to the extent of the deemed dividend portion of such OID.

Any transactions by the Trust in foreign currencies, foreign currency-denominated debt obligations and certain foreign currency options, futures contracts and forward contracts (and similar instruments) may give rise to ordinary income or loss to the extent such income or loss results from fluctuations in the value of the foreign currency concerned. Such ordinary income treatment may accelerate Trust distributions to shareholders and increase the distributions taxed to shareholders as ordinary income. Any net ordinary losses so created cannot be carried forward by the Trust to offset income or gains earned in subsequent years.

Any equity investments by the Trust in certain “passive foreign investment companies” (“PFICs”) could potentially subject the Trust to a U.S. federal income tax (including interest charges) on distributions received from the PFIC or on proceeds received from the disposition of shares in the PFIC. This tax cannot be eliminated by making distributions to Trust shareholders. However, the Trust may elect to avoid the imposition of that tax. For example, the Trust may elect to treat a PFIC as a “qualified electing fund” (*i.e.*, make a “QEF election”), in which case the Trust will be required to include its share of the PFIC’s income and net capital gains annually, regardless of whether it receives any distribution from the company. The Trust also may make an election to mark the gains (and to a limited extent losses) in such holdings “to the market” as though it had sold and repurchased its holdings in those PFICs on the last day of the Trust’s taxable year. Such gains and losses are treated as ordinary income and loss. The QEF and mark-to-market elections may accelerate the recognition of income (without the receipt of cash) and increase the amount required to be distributed by the Trust to avoid taxation. Making either of these elections therefore may require the Trust to liquidate other investments (including when it is not advantageous to do so) to meet its distribution requirement, which also may accelerate the recognition of gain and affect the Trust’s total return. Dividends paid by PFICs will not be eligible to be treated as qualified dividend income.

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Because it is not always possible to identify a foreign corporation as a PFIC, the Trust may incur the tax and interest charges described above in some instances.

Income proceeds and gains received by the Trust from sources within foreign countries may be subject to withholding and other taxes imposed by such countries. Tax treaties between certain countries and the United States may reduce or eliminate such taxes. Shareholders generally will not be entitled to separately claim a credit or deduction with respect to foreign taxes incurred by the Trust. This will decrease the Trust's yield on securities subject to such taxes.

The Trust's Derivative Transactions, as well as any of its other hedging, short sale or similar transactions, may be subject to one or more special tax rules (including, for instance, notional principal contract, mark-to-market, constructive sale, straddle, wash sale and short-sale rules). These rules may affect whether gains and losses recognized by the Trust are treated as ordinary or capital and/or as short-term or long-term, accelerate the recognition of income or gains to the Trust, defer losses, and cause adjustments in the holding periods of the Trust's securities. The rules could therefore affect the amount, timing and/or character of distributions to shareholders.

Because the tax rules applicable to derivative financial instruments are in some cases uncertain under current law, an adverse determination or future guidance by the IRS with respect to these rules (which determination or guidance could be retroactive) may affect whether the Trust has made sufficient distributions, and otherwise satisfied the relevant requirements, to maintain its qualification as a RIC and avoid a Trust-level tax.

Certain of the Trust's Derivative Transactions and investments in foreign currency-denominated instruments, and any of the Trust's transactions in foreign currencies and hedging activities, are likely to produce a difference between its book income and the sum of its taxable income and net tax-exempt income (if any). If such a difference arises, and the Trust's book income is less than the sum of its taxable income and net tax-exempt income (if any), the Trust could be required to make distributions exceeding book income to qualify as a RIC that is accorded special tax treatment and to avoid a Trust-level tax. In the alternative, if the Trust's book income exceeds the sum of its taxable income and net tax-exempt income (if any), the distribution (if any) of such excess generally will be treated as (i) a dividend to the extent of the Trust's remaining earnings and profits (including earnings and profits arising from any tax-exempt income), (ii) thereafter, as a return of capital to the extent of the recipient's basis in its shares, and (iii) thereafter, as gain from the sale or exchange of a capital asset.

The Trust's investments in equity securities of REITs may result in the Trust's receipt of cash in excess of the REIT's earnings; if the Trust distributes these amounts, these distributions could constitute a return of capital to Trust shareholders for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Dividends received by the Trust from a REIT will not qualify for the corporate dividends-received deduction and generally will not constitute qualified dividend income.

Under a notice issued by the IRS in October 2006 and Treasury regulations that have yet to be issued but may apply retroactively, a portion of a Trust's income (if any) (including income allocated to the Trust from a REIT or other pass-through entity) that is attributable to a residual interest in a real estate mortgage investment conduit ("REMIC") (including residual interests in collateralized mortgage obligations) or an equity interest in a taxable mortgage pool ("TMP") (referred to in the Code as an "excess inclusion") will be subject to U.S. federal income tax in all events. This notice also provides, and the regulations are expected to provide, that excess inclusion income of a RIC will be allocated to shareholders of the RIC in proportion to the dividends received by such shareholders, with the same consequences as if the shareholders held the related interest directly. As a result, to the extent the Trust invests in any such interests, it may not be a suitable investment for certain tax-exempt shareholders (as noted below in "Tax-Exempt Shareholders").

In general, excess inclusion income allocated to shareholders (i) cannot be offset by net operating losses (subject to a limited exception for certain thrift institutions), (ii) will constitute unrelated business taxable income ("UBTI") to entities (including a qualified

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pension plan, an individual retirement account, a 401(k) plan, a Keogh plan or other tax-exempt entity) subject to tax on UBTI, thereby potentially requiring such an entity that is allocated excess inclusion income, and otherwise might not be required to file a U.S. federal income tax return, to file such a tax return and pay tax on such income, and (iii) in the case of a non-U.S. shareholder, will not qualify for any reduction in U.S. federal withholding tax. A shareholder will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on such inclusions notwithstanding any exemption from such income tax otherwise available under the Code.

## **Backup Withholding**

Your broker or other intermediary generally is required to withhold and remit to the U.S. Treasury a percentage of the taxable distributions and redemption proceeds paid to any individual shareholder who fails to properly furnish the broker or other intermediary with a correct taxpayer identification number (“TIN”), who has under-reported dividend or interest income, or who fails to certify to the broker or other intermediary that he or she is not subject to such withholding.

Backup withholding is not an additional tax. Any amounts withheld may be credited against the shareholder’s U.S. federal income tax liability, provided the appropriate information is furnished to the IRS.

## **Sale or Exchange of Trust Shares**

The sale or exchange of Trust shares may give rise to a gain or loss. In general, any gain or loss realized upon a taxable disposition of shares will be treated as long-term capital gain or loss if the shares have been held for more than 12 months. Otherwise, the gain or loss on the taxable disposition of Trust shares will be treated as short-term capital gain or loss. However, any loss realized upon a taxable disposition of shares held for six months or less will be treated as long-term, rather than short-term, to the extent of any Capital Gain Dividends received (or deemed received) by the shareholder with respect to the shares. All or a portion of any loss realized upon a taxable disposition of Trust shares will be disallowed if other substantially identical shares are purchased within 30 days before or after the disposition. In such a case, the basis of the newly purchased shares will be adjusted to reflect the disallowed loss.

Shareholders may be entitled to offset their Capital Gain Dividends with capital loss from other sources. The Code contains a number of statutory provisions affecting the circumstances under which capital loss may be offset against capital gain and limiting the use of loss from certain investments and activities. Accordingly, shareholders that have capital losses are urged to consult their tax advisers.

## **Tax Shelter Reporting Regulations**

Under Treasury regulations, if a shareholder recognizes a loss of \$2 million or more for an individual shareholder or \$10 million or more for a corporate shareholder, the shareholder must file with the IRS a disclosure statement on Form 8886. Direct holders of portfolio securities are in many cases excepted from this reporting requirement, but under current guidance, shareholders of a RIC are not excepted. Future guidance may extend the current exception from this reporting requirement to shareholders of most or all RICs. The fact that a loss is reportable under these regulations does not affect the legal determination of whether the taxpayer’s treatment of the loss is proper. Shareholders should consult their tax advisers to determine the applicability of these regulations in light of their individual circumstances.

## **REIT Tax Considerations**

### *Requirements for Qualification as a REIT*

To qualify for the beneficial tax regime applicable to REITs, the REIT Subsidiary must meet and continue to meet the requirements described below relating to organization, sources of income, nature of assets and distributions of income to its stockholders.

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### *Organizational Requirements*

The Code defines a REIT as a domestic corporation, trust or association:

- (1) which is managed by one or more trustees or directors;
- (2) the beneficial ownership of which is evidenced by transferable shares or by transferable certificates of beneficial interest;
- (3) which would be taxable as a domestic corporation but for Sections 856 through 859 of the Code;
- (4) which is neither a financial institution nor an insurance company subject to certain provisions of the Code;
- (5) the beneficial ownership of which is held by 100 or more persons;
- (6) not more than 50.0% in value of the outstanding stock of which is owned, directly or indirectly applying various attribution rules, by or for five or fewer individuals (as defined in the Code to include for these purposes certain entities) (the "Not Closely Held Test");
- (7) which makes an election to be a REIT (or has made such election for a previous taxable year which has not been revoked or terminated) and satisfies all relevant filing and other administrative requirements established by the IRS that must be met to elect and maintain REIT status;
- (8) which uses the calendar year as its taxable year; and
- (9) which meets certain other tests, described below, regarding the nature of its income and assets and the amount of its distributions.

The Code provides that conditions (1) through (4), inclusive, must be met during the entire taxable year, that condition (5) must be met during at least 335 days of a taxable year of 12 months, or during a proportionate part of a taxable year of less than 12 months, and that condition (6) must be met during the last half of each taxable year. For purposes of condition (6), the beneficiaries of a pension or profit-sharing trust described in Section 401(a) of the Code, and not the pension or profit-sharing trust itself, are treated as REIT stockholders. Conditions (5) and (6) do not apply to a REIT until the second calendar year in which the REIT qualifies as such. The REIT Subsidiary will be treated as having met condition (6) above for a taxable year if it complied with certain Treasury Regulations for ascertaining the ownership of its stock for such year and if it did not know (or after the exercise of reasonable diligence would not have known) that its stock was sufficiently closely held during such year to cause the REIT Subsidiary to fail condition (6).

The Trust intends to structure and operate the REIT Subsidiary and cause it to conduct its activities in a manner designed to satisfy all of these requirements. However, the application of such requirements is complex, and it is possible that the Internal Revenue Service may interpret or apply those requirements in a manner that jeopardizes the ability of the REIT Subsidiary to satisfy all of the requirements for qualification as a REIT or that the REIT Subsidiary may be unable to satisfy all of the applicable requirements.

### *Distribution Requirements*

To obtain the favorable tax treatment afforded to REITs under the Code, among other things, the REIT Subsidiary generally will be required each year to distribute to its stockholders at least 90% of its REIT taxable income determined without regard to the dividends-paid deduction and excluding net capital gain. To the extent that it does not distribute all of its net capital gains, or distributes at least 90%, but less than 100%, of its REIT taxable income, as adjusted, it will have to pay a corporate-level tax on amounts retained. Furthermore, if it fails to distribute during each calendar year at least the sum of (a) 85% of its ordinary income for that year, (b) 95% of its capital gain net income for that year, and (c) any undistributed taxable income from prior periods, it would have to pay a 4% nondeductible excise tax on the excess of the amounts required to be distributed over the sum of (i) the amounts that it actually distributed and (ii) the amounts it retained and upon which it paid income tax at the corporate level.

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These requirements could cause the REIT Subsidiary to distribute amounts that otherwise would be spent on investments in real estate assets, and it is possible that the REIT Subsidiary might be required to borrow funds, possibly at unfavorable rates, or sell assets to fund the required distributions.

For so long as the REIT Subsidiary qualifies as a REIT, generally, the REIT Subsidiary will not have to pay corporate-level U.S. federal income taxes on any income that it distributes to its shareholders from its tax earnings and profits.

### *Failure to Qualify as a REIT*

If the REIT Subsidiary fails to qualify as a REIT for any taxable year and it does not qualify for certain statutory relief provisions, it will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on its taxable income at corporate rates. In addition, it will generally be disqualified from treatment as a REIT for the four taxable years following the year of losing its REIT status. Losing its REIT status will reduce the REIT Subsidiary's net earnings available for investment or distribution to stockholders because of the additional tax liability. In addition, distributions to stockholders will no longer qualify for the dividends paid deduction, and the REIT Subsidiary will no longer be required to make distributions equal to at least 90% of its taxable income. If the REIT Subsidiary fails to qualify as a REIT, it may be required to borrow funds or liquidate some of its investments in order to have funds with which to pay any resulting entity level tax.

Because of the minimum distribution requirements imposed by the Code, REITs tend to be dependent on the acquisition of assets with high positive cash flows. The minimum distribution requirements also tend to limit the degree to which REITs can retain and redeploy capital. These requirements could cause the REIT Subsidiary to distribute amounts that otherwise would be spent on investments in real estate-related assets, and it is possible that it might be required to borrow funds, possibly at unfavorable rates, or sell assets to fund these distributions. REITs are particularly vulnerable to defaults by their borrowers and there are significant limitations on their ability to realize income from property acquired as a result of foreclosure.

### **Non-U.S. Shareholders**

Distributions by the Trust to shareholders that are not "U.S. persons" within the meaning of the Code ("foreign shareholders") properly reported by the Trust as (1) Capital Gain Dividends, (2) short-term capital gain dividends and (3) interest-related dividends, each as defined and subject to certain conditions described below, generally are not subject to U.S. federal income tax withholding.

In general, the Code defines (1) "short-term capital gain dividends" as distributions of net short-term capital gains in excess of net long-term capital losses and (2) "interest-related dividends" as distributions from U.S. source interest income of types similar to those not subject to U.S. federal income tax if earned directly by an individual foreign shareholder, in each case, to the extent such distributions are properly reported as such by the Trust in a written notice to shareholders.

The exceptions to withholding for Capital Gain Dividends and short-term capital gain dividends do not apply to (A) distributions to an individual foreign shareholder who is present in the United States for a period or periods aggregating 183 days or more during the year of the distribution and (B) distributions attributable to gain that is treated as effectively connected with the conduct by the foreign shareholder of a trade or business within the United States under special rules regarding the disposition of U.S. real property interests ("USRPIs") as described below.

The exception to withholding for interest-related dividends does not apply to distributions to a foreign shareholder (A) that has not provided a satisfactory statement that the beneficial owner is not a U.S. person, (B) to the extent that the dividend is attributable to certain interest on an obligation if the foreign shareholder is the issuer or is a 10% shareholder of the issuer, (C) that is within certain foreign countries that have inadequate information exchange with the United States, or (D) to the extent the dividend is attributable to interest paid by a person that is a related person of the foreign shareholder and the foreign shareholder is a controlled foreign corporation.

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The Trust is permitted to report such part of its dividends as short-term capital gain and/or interest-related dividends as are eligible, but is not required to do so. In the case of shares held through an intermediary, the intermediary may withhold even if the Trust reports all or a portion of a payment as an interest-related or short-term capital gain dividend to shareholders.

Foreign shareholders should contact their intermediaries regarding the application of these rules to their accounts.

Distributions by the Trust to foreign shareholders other than Capital Gain Dividends, short-term capital gain dividends and interest-related dividends (e.g., dividends attributable to dividend and foreign-source interest income or to short-term capital gains or U.S. source interest income to which the exception from withholding described above does not apply) are generally subject to withholding of U.S. federal income tax at a rate of 30% (or lower applicable treaty rate).

A foreign shareholder is not, in general, subject to U.S. federal income tax on gains (and is not allowed a deduction for losses) realized on the sale of shares of the Trust unless (i) such gain is effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business carried on by such holder within the United States, (ii) in the case of an individual holder, the holder is present in the United States for a period or periods aggregating 183 days or more during the year of the sale and certain other conditions are met, or (iii) the special rules relating to gain attributable to the sale or exchange of USRPIs apply to the foreign shareholder's sale of shares of the Trust (as described below).

Foreign shareholders with respect to whom income from the Trust is effectively connected with a trade or business conducted by the foreign shareholder within the United States will in general be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the income derived from the Trust at the graduated rates applicable to U.S. citizens, residents or domestic corporations, whether such income is received in cash or reinvested in additional shares of the Trust and, in the case of a foreign corporation, may also be subject to a branch profits tax. If a foreign shareholder is eligible for the benefits of a tax treaty, any effectively connected income or gain will generally be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net basis only if it is also attributable to a permanent establishment maintained by the shareholder in the United States. More generally, foreign shareholders who are residents of a country with an income tax treaty with the United States may obtain different tax results than those described herein, and are urged to consult their tax advisers.

Special rules would apply if the Trust were a qualified investment entity ("QIE") because it is either a "U.S. real property holding corporation" ("USRPHC") or would be a USRPHC but for the operation of certain exceptions to the definition of USRPIs described below. Very generally, a USRPHC is a domestic corporation that holds USRPIs the fair market value of which equals or exceeds 50% of the sum of the fair market values of the corporation's USRPIs, interests in real property located outside the United States, and other trade or business assets. USRPIs generally are defined as any interest in U.S. real property and any interest (other than solely as a creditor) in a USRPHC or, very generally, an entity that has been a USRPHC in the last five years. A RIC that holds, directly or indirectly, significant interests in REITs may be a USRPHC. Interests in domestically controlled QIEs, including REITs and RICs that are QIEs, not-greater-than-10% interests in publicly traded classes of stock in REITs and not-greater-than-5% interests in publicly traded classes of stock in RICs generally are not USRPIs, but these exceptions do not apply for purposes of determining whether a RIC is a QIE.

If an interest in the Trust were a USRPI, a greater-than-5% foreign shareholder generally would be required to file a U.S. tax return in connection with the sale of its Trust shares, and pay related taxes due on any gain realized on the sale.

If the Trust were a QIE, under a special "look-through" rule, any distributions by the Trust to a foreign shareholder attributable directly or indirectly to (i) distributions received by the Trust from a lower-tier RIC or REIT that the Trust is required to treat as USRPI gain in its hands and (ii) gains realized on the disposition of USRPIs by the Trust would retain their character as gains realized from USRPIs in the hands of the Trust's foreign shareholders and would be subject to U.S. tax withholding. In addition, such distributions could result in the foreign shareholder being required to file a U.S. tax return and pay tax on the distributions at regular U.S. federal income tax rates. The consequences to a foreign shareholder, including the rate of such withholding and character of such distributions (e.g., as ordinary income or USRPI gain), would vary depending upon the extent of the foreign shareholder's current and past ownership of the Trust.

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Foreign shareholders of the Trust also may be subject to “wash sale” rules to prevent the avoidance of the tax-filing and -payment obligations discussed above through the sale and repurchase of Trust shares.

The Trust generally does not expect that it will be a QIE.

Foreign shareholders should consult their tax advisers and, if holding shares through intermediaries, their intermediaries, concerning the application of these rules to their investment in the Trust.

In order to have qualified for any exemption from withholding described above (to the extent applicable) or for lower withholding tax rates under income tax treaties, or to establish an exemption from backup withholding, a foreign shareholder must have complied with applicable certification and filing requirements relating to its non-U.S. status (including, in general, furnishing an IRS Form W-8BEN, W-8BEN-E or substitute form). Foreign shareholders should contact their tax advisers in this regard.

Special rules (including withholding and reporting requirements) apply to foreign partnerships and those holding Trust shares through foreign partnerships. Additional considerations may apply to foreign trusts and estates. Investors holding Trust shares through foreign entities should consult their tax advisers.

A foreign shareholder may be subject to state and local tax and to the U.S. federal estate tax in addition to the U.S. federal tax on income referred to above.

### **Tax-Exempt Shareholders**

Income of the Trust that would be UBTI if earned directly by a tax-exempt entity generally will not constitute UBTI when distributed to tax-exempt shareholders of the Trust. Notwithstanding this “blocking” effect, a tax-exempt shareholder could realize UBTI by virtue of its investment in the Trust if shares in the Trust constitute debt-financed property in the hands of the tax-exempt shareholder within the meaning of Section 514(b) of the Code.

A tax-exempt shareholder may also recognize UBTI if the Trust recognizes excess inclusion income derived from direct or indirect investments in residual interests in REMICS or equity interests in TMPs if the amount of such income recognized by the Trust exceeds the Trust’s investment company taxable income (after taking into account deductions for dividends paid by the Trust).

In addition, special tax consequences apply to charitable remainder trusts (“CRTs”) that invest in RICs that invest directly or indirectly in residual interests in REMICS or equity interests in TMPs. Under legislation enacted in December 2006, a CRT (as defined in Section 664 of the Code) that realizes any UBTI for a taxable year must pay an excise tax annually of an amount equal to such UBTI. Under IRS guidance issued in October 2006, a CRT will not recognize UBTI as a result of investing in a RIC that recognizes excess inclusion income. Rather, if at any time during any taxable year a CRT (or one of certain other tax-exempt shareholders, such as the United States, a state or political subdivision, or an agency or instrumentality thereof, and certain energy cooperatives) is a record holder of a share in a RIC that recognizes excess inclusion income, then the RIC will be subject to a tax on that portion of its excess inclusion income for the taxable year that is allocable to such shareholders at the highest federal corporate income tax rate. The extent to which this IRS guidance remains applicable in light of the December 2006 legislation is unclear. To the extent permitted under the 1940 Act, the Trust may elect to specially allocate any such tax to the applicable CRT, or other shareholder, and thus reduce such shareholder’s distributions for the year by the amount of the tax that relates to such shareholder’s interest in the Trust.

CRTs and other tax-exempt investors are urged to consult their tax advisers concerning the consequences of investing in the Trust.

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### **Shareholder Reporting Obligations With Respect to Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts**

Shareholders that are U.S. persons and own, directly or indirectly, more than 50% of the Trust could be required to report annually their “financial interest” in the Trust’s “foreign financial accounts,” if any, on FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR). Shareholders should consult their tax advisers, and persons investing in the Trust through an intermediary should contact their intermediary to determine the applicability to them of this reporting requirement.

### **Other Reporting and Withholding Requirements**

Sections 1471-1474 of the Code and the U.S. Treasury and IRS guidance issued thereunder (collectively, “FATCA”) generally require the Trust to obtain information sufficient to identify the status of each of its shareholders under FATCA or under an applicable intergovernmental agreement (an “IGA”). If a shareholder fails to provide this information or otherwise fails to comply with FATCA or an IGA, the Trust may be required to withhold under FATCA at a rate of 30% with respect to that shareholder on ordinary dividends it pays. Recently issued proposed regulations would eliminate the application of the withholding tax on gross proceeds from the sale or exchange of shares and certain Capital Gain Dividends that was scheduled to take effect in 2019. If a payment by the Trust is subject to FATCA withholding, the Trust is required to withhold even if such payment would otherwise be exempt from withholding under the rules applicable to foreign shareholders described above (e.g., Capital Gain Dividends, short-term capital gain dividends and interest-related dividends).

Each prospective investor is urged to consult its tax adviser regarding the applicability of FATCA and any other reporting requirements with respect to the prospective investor’s own situation, including investments through an intermediary.

### **Shares Purchased Through Tax Qualified Plans**

Special tax rules apply to investments through defined contribution plans and other tax-qualified plans. Shareholders should consult their tax advisers to determine the suitability of shares of the Trust as an investment through such plans and the precise effect of an investment on their particular tax situation.

### **General Considerations**

The U.S. federal income tax discussion set forth above is for general information only. Prospective investors should consult their tax advisers regarding the specific federal tax consequences of purchasing, holding, and disposing of shares of the Trust, as well as the effects of state, local and foreign tax law and any proposed tax law changes.

### **INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP (“PwC”), an independent registered public accounting firm located at 2121 N. Pearl Street, Suite 2000, Dallas, TX 75201, serves as the Trust’s independent registered public accounting firm. The independent registered public accounting firm audits and reports on the annual financial statements, and performs other professional audit related and tax services when approved to do so by the Audit Committee. Certain information for the years ended June 30, 2018, 2017, and 2016 was audited and reported on by another independent public registered accounting firm. On September 25, 2017, the Trust acquired the assets of Highland Floating Rate Opportunities Fund (the “Predecessor Fund”), a series of Highland Funds I, a Delaware statutory trust. The Trust is the successor to the accounting and performance information of the Predecessor Fund.

### **CUSTODIAN**

Bank of New York Mellon (“BNY”), located at 240 Greenwich Street, New York, New York 10286, is the custodian for the Trust and for its wholly-owned subsidiaries. BNY is responsible for holding all securities, other investments and cash, receiving and paying for securities purchased, delivering against payment securities sold, receiving and collecting income from investments, making all payments covering expenses and performing other administrative duties, all as directed by authorized persons. BNY does not exercise any supervisory function in such matters as purchase and sale of portfolio securities, payment of dividends or payment of expenses.



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K&L Gates LLP, located at State Street Financial Center, 1 Lincoln Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02111, acts as our legal counsel.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

A registration statement on Form N-2, including amendments thereto, relating to the shares offered hereby (the “Registration Statement”), has been filed by the Trust with the SEC. The Prospectus and this Statement of Additional Information do not contain all of the information set forth in the Registration Statement, including any exhibits and schedules thereto. For further information with respect to the Trust and the securities offered hereby, reference is made to the Registration Statement. Statements contained in the Prospectus and this Statement of Additional Information as to the contents of any contract or other document referred to are not necessarily complete and in each instance reference is made to the copy of such contract or other document filed as an exhibit to the Registration Statement, each such statement being qualified in all respects by such reference. A copy of the Registration Statement may be inspected without charge at the SEC’s principal office in Washington, D.C., and copies of all or any part thereof may be obtained from the SEC upon the payment of certain fees prescribed by the SEC.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

On September 25, 2017, the Trust acquired the assets of the Predecessor Fund. The Trust is the successor to the accounting and performance information of the Predecessor Fund. The audited financial statements and notes thereto of the Trust’s Annual Report to Shareholders for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018 are incorporated into this SAI by reference and have been audited and reported on by another independent public registered accounting firm. The Trust’s audited financial statements for the period ended December 31, 2018 have been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, the Trust’s independent registered public accounting firm, and are also incorporated in this Statement of Additional Information by reference to the Trust’s Form N-CSR Filed June 7, 2019, and is available upon request. The Trust’s Annual Report is available without charge by calling the Trust at 800-357-9167 or on the SEC’s website at <http://www.sec.gov>.

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*Standard & Poor's*—A brief description of the applicable rating symbols of Standard & Poor's and their meanings (as published by Standard & Poor's) follows:

**Issue Credit Rating Definitions**

A Standard & Poor's issue credit rating is a forward-looking opinion about the creditworthiness of an obligor with respect to a specific financial obligation, a specific class of financial obligations, or a specific financial program (including ratings on medium-term note programs and commercial paper programs). It takes into consideration the creditworthiness of guarantors, insurers, or other forms of credit enhancement on the obligation and takes into account the currency in which the obligation is denominated. The opinion reflects Standard & Poor's view of the obligor's capacity and willingness to meet its financial commitments as they come due, and may assess terms, such as collateral security and subordination, which could affect ultimate payment in the event of default.

Issue credit ratings can be either long-term or short-term. Short-term ratings are generally assigned to those obligations considered short-term in the relevant market. In the U.S., for example, that means obligations with an original maturity of no more than 365 days—including commercial paper. Short-term ratings are also used to indicate the creditworthiness of an obligor with respect to put features on long-term obligations. Medium-term notes are assigned long-term ratings.

**Long-Term Issue Credit Ratings**

Issue credit ratings are based, in varying degrees, on Standard & Poor's analysis of the following considerations:

- i) Likelihood of payment—capacity and willingness of the obligor to meet its financial commitment on an obligation in accordance with the terms of the obligation;
- ii) Nature of and provisions of the obligation, and the promise we impute;
- iii) Protection afforded by, and relative position of, the obligation in the event of bankruptcy, reorganization, or other arrangement under the laws of bankruptcy and other laws affecting creditors' rights.

Issue ratings are an assessment of default risk, but may incorporate an assessment of relative seniority or ultimate recovery in the event of default. Junior obligations are typically rated lower than senior obligations, to reflect the lower priority in bankruptcy, as noted above. (Such differentiation may apply when an entity has both senior and subordinated obligations, secured and unsecured obligations, or operating company and holding company obligations.)

**AAA**

An obligation rated 'AAA' has the highest rating assigned by Standard & Poor's. The obligor's capacity to meet its financial commitment on the obligation is extremely strong.

**AA**

An obligation rated 'AA' differs from the highest-rated obligations only to a small degree. The obligor's capacity to meet its financial commitment on the obligation is very strong.

**A**

An obligation rated 'A' is somewhat more susceptible to the adverse effects of changes in circumstances and economic conditions than obligations in higher-rated categories. However, the obligor's capacity to meet its financial commitment on the obligation is still strong.

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### **BBB**

An obligation rated 'BBB' exhibits adequate protection parameters. However, adverse economic conditions or changing circumstances are more likely to lead to a weakened capacity of the obligor to meet its financial commitment on the obligation.

### **BB, B, CCC, CC, and C**

Obligations rated 'BB', 'B', 'CCC', 'CC', and 'C' are regarded as having significant speculative characteristics. 'BB' indicates the least degree of speculation and 'C' the highest. While such obligations will likely have some quality and protective characteristics, these may be outweighed by large uncertainties or major exposures to adverse conditions.

### **BB**

An obligation rated 'BB' is less vulnerable to nonpayment than other speculative issues. However, it faces major ongoing uncertainties or exposure to adverse business, financial, or economic conditions which could lead to the obligor's inadequate capacity to meet its financial commitment on the obligation.

### **B**

An obligation rated 'B' is more vulnerable to nonpayment than obligations rated 'BB', but the obligor currently has the capacity to meet its financial commitment on the obligation. Adverse business, financial, or economic conditions will likely impair the obligor's capacity or willingness to meet its financial commitment on the obligation.

### **CCC**

An obligation rated 'CCC' is currently vulnerable to nonpayment, and is dependent upon favorable business, financial, and economic conditions for the obligor to meet its financial commitment on the obligation. In the event of adverse business, financial, or economic conditions, the obligor is not likely to have the capacity to meet its financial commitment on the obligation.

### **CC**

An obligation rated 'CC' is currently highly vulnerable to nonpayment. The 'CC' rating is used when a default has not yet occurred, but Standard & Poor's expects default to be a virtual certainty, regardless of the anticipated time to default.

### **C**

An obligation rated 'C' is currently highly vulnerable to nonpayment, and the obligation is expected to have lower relative seniority or lower ultimate recovery compared to obligations that are rated higher.

### **D**

An obligation rated 'D' is in default or in breach of an imputed promise. For non-hybrid capital instruments, the 'D' rating category is used when payments on an obligation are not made on the date due, unless Standard & Poor's believes that such payments will be made within five business days in the absence of a stated grace period or within the earlier of the stated grace period or 30 calendar days. The 'D' rating also will be used upon the filing of a bankruptcy petition or the taking of similar action and where default on an obligation is a virtual certainty, for example due to automatic stay provisions. An obligation's rating is lowered to 'D' if it is subject to a distressed exchange offer.

[Table of Contents](#)**Plus (+) or minus (—)**

The ratings from 'AA' to 'CCC' may be modified by the addition of a plus (+) or minus (—) sign to show relative standing within the major rating categories.

**NR**

This indicates that no rating has been requested, that there is insufficient information on which to base a rating, or that Standard & Poor's does not rate a particular obligation as a matter of policy.

**Short-Term Issue Credit Ratings****A-1**

A short-term obligation rated 'A-1' is rated in the highest category by Standard & Poor's. The obligor's capacity to meet its financial commitment on the obligation is strong. Within this category, certain obligations are designated with a plus sign (+). This indicates that the obligor's capacity to meet its financial commitment on these obligations is extremely strong.

**A-2**

A short-term obligation rated 'A-2' is somewhat more susceptible to the adverse effects of changes in circumstances and economic conditions than obligations in higher rating categories. However, the obligor's capacity to meet its financial commitment on the obligation is satisfactory.

**A-3**

A short-term obligation rated 'A-3' exhibits adequate protection parameters. However, adverse economic conditions or changing circumstances are more likely to lead to a weakened capacity of the obligor to meet its financial commitment on the obligation.

**B**

A short-term obligation rated 'B' is regarded as vulnerable and has significant speculative characteristics. The obligor currently has the capacity to meet its financial commitments; however, it faces major ongoing uncertainties which could lead to the obligor's inadequate capacity to meet its financial commitments.

**C**

A short-term obligation rated 'C' is currently vulnerable to nonpayment and is dependent upon favorable business, financial, and economic conditions for the obligor to meet its financial commitment on the obligation.

**D**

A short-term obligation rated 'D' is in default or in breach of an imputed promise. For non-hybrid capital instruments, the 'D' rating category is used when payments on an obligation are not made on the date due, unless Standard & Poor's believes that such payments will be made within any stated grace period. However, any stated grace period longer than five business days will be treated as five business days. The 'D' rating also will be used upon the filing of a bankruptcy petition or the taking of a similar action and where default on an obligation is a virtual certainty, for example due to automatic stay provisions. An obligation's rating is lowered to 'D' if it is subject to a distressed exchange offer.

**SPUR (Standard & Poor's Underlying Rating)**

A SPUR rating is an opinion about the stand-alone capacity of an obligor to pay debt service on a credit-enhanced debt issue, without giving effect to the enhancement that applies to it. These ratings are published only at the request of the debt issuer/obligor with the designation SPUR to distinguish them from the credit-enhanced rating that applies to the debt issue. Standard & Poor's maintains surveillance of an issue with a published SPUR.

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A Standard & Poor's U.S. municipal note rating reflects Standard & Poor's opinion about the liquidity factors and market access risks unique to the notes. Notes due in three years or less will likely receive a note rating. Notes with an original maturity of more than three years will most likely receive a long-term debt rating. In determining which type of rating, if any, to assign, Standard & Poor's analysis will review the following considerations:

- a. Amortization schedule — the larger the final maturity relative to other maturities, the more likely it will be treated as a note; and
  - b. Source of payment — the more dependent the issue is on the market for its refinancing, the more likely it will be treated as a note.
- Note rating symbols are as follows:

**SP-1**

Strong capacity to pay principal and interest. An issue determined to possess a very strong capacity to pay debt service is given a plus (+) designation.

**SP-2**

Satisfactory capacity to pay principal and interest, with some vulnerability to adverse financial and economic changes over the term of the notes.

**SP-3**

Speculative capacity to pay principal and interest.

**Dual Ratings**

Dual Ratings may be assigned to debt issues that have a put option or demand feature. The first component of the rating addresses the likelihood of repayment of principal and interest as due, and the second component of the rating addresses only the demand feature. The first component of the rating can relate to either a short-term or long-term transaction and accordingly use either short-term or long-term rating symbols. The second component of the rating relates to the put option and is assigned a short-term rating symbol (for example, 'AAA/A-1+' or 'A-1+/A-1'). With U.S. municipal short-term demand debt, the U.S. municipal short-term note rating symbols are used for the first component of the rating (for example, 'SP-1+/A-1+').

The analyses, including ratings, of Standard & Poor's and its affiliates (together, Standard and Poor's) are statements of opinion as of the date they are expressed and not statements of fact or recommendations to purchase, hold, or sell any securities or make any investment decisions. Standard & Poor's assumes no obligation to update any information following publication. Users of ratings or other analyses should not rely on them in making any investment decision. Standard & Poor's opinions and analyses do not address the suitability of any security. Standard & Poor's does not act as a fiduciary or an investment advisor except where registered as such. While Standard & Poor's has obtained information from sources it believes to be reliable, Standard & Poor's does not perform an audit and undertakes no duty of due diligence or independent verification of any information it receives. Ratings and other opinions may be changed, suspended, or withdrawn at any time.

**Active Qualifiers (Currently applied and/or outstanding)**

Standard & Poor's uses six qualifiers that limit the scope of a rating. The structure of the transaction can require the use of a qualifier such as a 'p' qualifier, which indicates the rating addressed the principal portion of the obligation only. Likewise, the qualifier can indicate a limitation on the type of information used, such as "pi" for public information. A qualifier appears as a suffix and is part of the rating.

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### **Federal deposit insurance limit: 'L' qualifier**

Ratings qualified with 'L' apply only to amounts invested up to federal deposit insurance limits.

### **Principal: 'p' qualifier**

This suffix is used for issues in which the credit factors, the terms, or both, that determine the likelihood of receipt of payment of principal are different from the credit factors, terms or both that determine the likelihood of receipt of interest on the obligation. The 'p' suffix indicates that the rating addresses the principal portion of the obligation only and that the interest is not rated.

### **Public Information Ratings: 'pi' qualifier**

Ratings with a 'pi' suffix are based on an analysis of an issuer's published financial information, as well as additional information in the public domain. They do not, however, reflect in-depth meetings with an issuer's management and therefore may be based on less comprehensive information than ratings without a 'pi' suffix. Ratings with a 'pi' suffix are reviewed annually based on a new year's financial statements, but may be reviewed on an interim basis if a major event occurs that may affect the issuer's credit quality.

### **Preliminary Ratings: 'prelim' qualifier**

Preliminary ratings, with the 'prelim' suffix, may be assigned to obligors or obligations, including financial programs, in the circumstances described below. Assignment of a final rating is conditional on the receipt by Standard & Poor's of appropriate documentation. Standard & Poor's reserves the right not to issue a final rating. Moreover, if a final rating is issued, it may differ from the preliminary rating.

- Preliminary ratings may be assigned to obligations, most commonly structured and project finance issues, pending receipt of final documentation of legal opinions.
- Preliminary ratings are assigned to Rule 415 Shelf Registrations. As specific issues, with defined terms, are offered from the master registration, a final rating may be assigned to them in accordance with Standard & Poor's policies.
- Preliminary ratings may be assigned to obligations that will likely be issued upon the obligor's emergence from bankruptcy or similar reorganization, based on late-stage reorganization plans, documentation and discussions with the obligor. Preliminary ratings may also be assigned to the obligors. These ratings consider the anticipated general credit quality of the reorganized or post-bankruptcy issuer as well as attributes of the anticipated obligation(s).
- Preliminary ratings may be assigned to entities that are being formed or that are in the process of being independently established when, in Standard & Poor's opinion, documentation is close to final. Preliminary ratings may also be assigned to the obligations of these entities.
- Preliminary ratings may be assigned when a previously unrated entity is undergoing a well-formulated restructuring, recapitalization, significant financing or other transformative event, generally at the point that investor or lender commitments are invited. The preliminary rating may be assigned to the entity and to its proposed obligation(s). These preliminary ratings consider the anticipated general credit quality of the obligor, as well as attributes of the anticipated obligation(s), assuming successful completion of the transformative event. Should the transformative event not occur, Standard & Poor's would likely withdraw these preliminary ratings.
- A preliminary recovery rating may be assigned to an obligation that has a preliminary issue credit rating.

[Table of Contents](#)**Termination Structures: ‘t’ qualifier**

This symbol indicates termination structures that are designed to honor their contracts to full maturity or, should certain events occur, to terminate and cash settle all their contracts before their final maturity date.

**Inactive Qualifiers (No longer applied or outstanding)****Contingent upon final documentation: ‘\*’ in active qualifier**

This symbol that indicated that the ratings was contingent upon Standard & Poor’s receipt of an executed copy of the escrow agreement or closing documentation confirming investments and cash flows. Discontinued use in August 1998.

**Termination of obligation to tender: ‘c’ inactive qualifier**

This qualifier was used to provide additional information to investors that the bank may terminate its obligation to purchase tendered bonds if the long-term credit rating of the issuer was lowered to below an investment-grade level and/or the issuer’s bonds are deemed taxable. Discontinued use in January 2001.

**U.S. direct government securities: ‘G’ inactive qualifier**

The letter ‘G’ followed the rating symbol when a fund’s portfolio consisted primarily of direct U.S. government securities.

**Provisional Ratings: ‘pr’ inactive qualifier**

The letters ‘pr’ indicate that the rating was provisional. A provisional rating assumed the successful completion of a project financed by the debt being rated and indicates that the payment of debt service requirements was largely or entirely dependent upon the successful, timely completion of the project. This rating, however, while addressing credit quality subsequent to completion of the project, made no comment on the likelihood of or the risk of default upon failure of such completion.

**Quantitative Analysis of public information: ‘q’ inactive qualifier**

A ‘q’ subscript indicates that the rating is based solely on quantitative analysis of publicly available information. Discontinued use in April 2001.

**Extraordinary risks: ‘r’ inactive qualifier**

The ‘r’ modifier was assigned to securities containing extraordinary risks, particularly market risks, which are not covered in the credit rating. The absence of an ‘r’ modifier should not be taken as an indication that an obligation will not exhibit extraordinary non-credit related risks. Standard & Poor’s discontinued the use of the ‘r’ modifier for most obligations in June 2000 and for the balance of obligations (mainly structured finance transactions) in November 2002.

*Moody’s Investors Service, Inc.*—A brief description of the applicable Moody’s Investors Service, Inc. (“Moody’s”) rating symbols and their meanings (as published by Moody’s) follows:

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### **Long-Term Obligation Ratings**

Moody's long-term obligation ratings are opinions of the relative credit risk of a fixed income obligations with an original maturity of one year or more. They address the possibility that a financial obligation will not be honored as promised. Such ratings reflect both the likelihood of default and any financial loss suffered in the event of default.

### **Moody's Global Long-Term Rating Scale Definitions:**

#### **Aaa**

Obligations rated Aaa are judged to be of the highest quality, subject to the lowest level of credit risk.

#### **Aa**

Obligations rated Aa are judged to be of high quality and are subject to very low credit risk.

#### **A**

Obligations rated A are judged to be upper medium-grade and are subject to low credit risk.

#### **Baa**

Obligations rated Baa are judged to be medium-grade and subject to moderate credit risk and as such may possess certain speculative characteristics.

#### **Ba**

Obligations rated Ba are judged to be speculative elements and are subject to substantial credit risk.

#### **B**

Obligations rated B are considered speculative and are subject to high credit risk.

#### **Caa**

Obligations rated Caa are judged to be speculative of poor standing and are subject to very high credit risk.

#### **Ca**

Obligations rated Ca are highly speculative and are likely in, or very near, default, with some prospect of recovery of principal and interest.

#### **C**

Obligations rated C are the lowest rated and are typically in default, with little prospect for recovery of principal or interest.

**Note:** Moody's appends numerical modifiers 1, 2, and 3 to each generic rating classification from Aa through Caa. The modifier 1 indicates that the obligation ranks in the higher end of its generic rating category; the modifier 2 indicates a mid-range ranking; and the modifier 3 indicates a ranking in the lower end of that generic rating category. Additionally, a "(hyb)" indicator is appended to all ratings of hybrid securities issued by banks, insurers, finance companies, and securities firms.

\* By their terms, hybrid securities allow for the omission of scheduled dividends, interest, or principal payments, which can potentially result in impairment if such an omission occurs. Hybrid securities may also be subject to contractually allowable write-downs of principal that could result in impairment. Together with the hybrid indicator, the long-term obligation rating assigned to a hybrid security is an expression of the relative credit risk associated with that security.



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Moody's assigns provisional ratings to medium-term note (MTN) programs and definitive ratings to the individual debt securities issued from them (referred to as drawdowns or notes).

MTN program ratings are intended to reflect the ratings likely to be assigned to drawdowns issued from the program with the specified priority of claim (e.g. senior or subordinated). To capture the contingent nature of a program rating, Moody's assigns provisional ratings to MTN programs. A provisional rating is denoted by a (P) in front of the rating and is defined elsewhere in this document.

The rating assigned to a drawdown from a rated MTN or bank/deposit note program is definitive in nature, and may differ from the program rating if the drawdown is exposed to additional credit risks besides the issuer's default, such as links to the defaults of other issuers, or has other structural features that warrant a different rating. In some circumstances, no rating may be assigned to a drawdown.

Moody's encourages market participants to contact Moody's Ratings Desks or visit [www.moodys.com](http://www.moodys.com) directly if they have questions regarding ratings for specific notes issued under a medium-term note program. Unrated notes issued under an MTN program may be assigned an NR (not rated) symbol.

**Global Short-Term Rating Scale:**

Moody's short-term ratings are opinions of the ability of issuers to honor short-term financial obligations. Ratings may be assigned to issuers, short-term programs or to individual short-term debt instruments. Such obligations generally have an original maturity not exceeding thirteen months, unless explicitly noted.

Moody's employs the following designations to indicate the relative repayment ability of rated issuers:

***P-1***

Issuers (or supporting institutions) rated Prime-1 have a superior ability to repay short-term debt obligations.

***P-2***

Issuers (or supporting institutions) rated Prime-2 have a strong ability to repay short-term debt obligations.

***P-3***

Issuers (or supporting institutions) rated Prime-3 have an acceptable ability to repay short-term obligations.

***NP***

Issuers (or supporting institutions) rated Not Prime do not fall within any of the Prime rating categories.

[Table of Contents](#)**APPENDIX B****POLICY REGARDING PROXY VOTING****Purpose and Scope**

The purpose of these voting policies and procedures (the “Policy”) is to set forth the principles and procedures by which Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P. (the “Company”) votes or gives consents with respect to the securities owned by Clients for which the Company exercises voting authority and discretion.<sup>2</sup> For avoidance of doubt, this includes any proxy and any shareholder vote or consent, including a vote or consent for a private company or other issuer that does not involve a proxy. These policies and procedures have been designed to help ensure that votes are cast in the best interests of Clients in accordance with the Company’s fiduciary duties and Rule 206(4)-6 under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (the “Advisers Act”).

This Policy applies to securities held in all Client accounts (including Retail Funds and other pooled investment vehicles) as to which the Company has explicit or implicit voting authority. Implicit voting authority exists where the Company’s voting authority is implied by a general delegation of investment authority without reservation of proxy voting authority to the Client.

If the Company has delegated voting authority to an investment sub-adviser with respect to any Retail Fund, such sub-adviser will be responsible for voting all proxies for such Retail Funds in accordance with the sub-adviser’s proxy voting policies. The Compliance Department, to provide oversight over the proxy voting by sub-advisers and to ensure that votes are executed in the best interests of the Retail Funds, shall (i) review the proxy voting policies and procedures of each Retail Fund sub-adviser to confirm that they comply with Rule 206(4)-6, both upon engagement of the sub-adviser and upon any material change to the sub-adviser’s proxy voting policies and procedures, and (ii) require each such sub-adviser to provide quarterly certifications that all proxies were voted pursuant to the sub-adviser’s policies and procedures or to describe any inconsistent votes.

**General Principles**

The Company and its affiliates engage in a broad range of activities, including investment activities for their own accounts and for the accounts of various Clients and providing investment advisory and other services to Clients. In the ordinary course of conducting the Company’s activities, the interests of a Client may conflict with the interests of the Company, other Clients and/or the Company’s affiliates and their clients. Any conflicts of interest relating to the voting of proxies, regardless of whether actual or perceived, will be addressed in accordance with these policies and procedures. The guiding principle by which the Company votes all proxies is to vote in the best interests of each Client by maximizing the economic value of the relevant Client’s holdings, taking into account the relevant Client’s investment horizon, the contractual obligations under the relevant advisory agreements or comparable documents and all other relevant facts and circumstances at the time of the vote. The Company does not permit voting decisions to be influenced in any manner that is contrary to, or dilutive of, this guiding principle.

**Voting Procedures***Third-Party Proxy Advisors*

The Company may engage a third-party proxy advisor (“Proxy Advisor”) to provide proxy voting recommendations with respect to Client proxies. Proxy Advisor voting recommendation guidelines are generally designed to increase investors’ potential financial gain. When considering whether to retain or continue retaining

<sup>2</sup> In any case where a Client has instructed the Company to vote in a particular manner on the Client’s behalf, those instructions will govern in lieu of parameters set forth in the Policy.

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any particular Proxy Advisor, the Compliance Department will ascertain, among other things, whether the Proxy Advisor has the capacity and competency to adequately analyze proxy issues. In this regard, the Compliance Department will consider, among other things: the adequacy and quality of the Proxy Advisor's staffing and personnel; the robustness of its policies and procedures regarding its ability to (a) ensure that its proxy voting recommendations are based on current and accurate information and (b) identify and address any conflicts of interest and any other considerations that the Compliance Department determines would be appropriate in considering the nature and quality of the services provided by the Proxy Advisor. To identify and address any conflicts that may arise on the part of the Proxy Advisor, the Compliance Department will ensure that the Proxy Advisor notifies the Compliance Department of any relevant business changes or changes to its policies and procedures regarding conflicts.

### *Third-Party Proxy Voting Services*

The Company may utilize a third-party proxy voting service ("Proxy Voting Service") to monitor holdings in Client accounts for purposes of determining whether there are upcoming shareholder meetings or similar corporate actions and to execute Client proxies on behalf of the Company pursuant to the Company's instructions, which shall be given in a manner consistent with this Policy. The Compliance Department will oversee each Proxy Voting Service to ensure that proxies have been voted in a manner consistent with the Company's instructions.

### *Monitoring*

Subject to the procedures regarding Nonstandard Proxy Notices described below, the Compliance Department of the Company shall have responsibility for monitoring Client accounts for proxy notices. Except as detailed below, if proxy notices are received by other employees of the Company, such employees must promptly forward all proxy or other voting materials to the Compliance Department.

### *Portfolio Manager Review and Instruction*

From time to time, the settlement group of the Company may receive nonstandard proxy notices, regarding matters including, but not limited to, proposals regarding corporate actions or amendments ("Nonstandard Proxy Notices") with respect to securities held by Clients. Upon receipt of a Nonstandard Proxy Notice, a member of the settlement group (the "Settlement Designee") shall send an email notification containing all relevant information to the Portfolio Manager(s) with responsibility for the security and [redacted].com/. Generally, the relevant Portfolio Manager(s) shall deliver voting instructions for Nonstandard Proxy Notices by replying to the email notice sent to the Portfolio Manager(s) and [redacted].com/ by the Settlement Designee or by sending voting instructions to [redacted].com/ and copying [redacted].com/. Any conflicts for Nonstandard Proxy Notices should also be disclosed to the Compliance Department. In the event a Portfolio Manager orally conveys voting instructions to the Settlement Designee or any other member of the Company's settlement group, that Settlement Designee or member of the Company's settlement group shall respond to the original notice email sent to [redacted].com/ detailing the Portfolio Manager(s) voting instructions.

With regard to standard proxy notices, on a weekly basis, the Compliance Department will send a notice of upcoming proxy votes related to securities held by Clients and the corresponding voting recommendations of the Proxy Advisor to the relevant Portfolio Manager(s). Upon receipt of a proxy notice from the Compliance Department, the Portfolio Manager(s) will review and evaluate the upcoming votes and recommendations. The Portfolio Managers may rely on any information and/or research available to him or her and may, in his or her discretion, meet with members of an issuer's management to discuss matters of importance to the relevant Clients and their economic interests. Should the Portfolio Manager determine that deviating from the Proxy Advisor's recommendation is in a Client's best interest, the Portfolio Manager shall communicate his or her voting instructions to the Compliance Department.

In the event that more than one Portfolio Manager is responsible for making a particular voting decision and such Portfolio Managers are unable to arrive at an agreement as to how to vote with respect to a particular proposal, they should consult with the applicable Chief Compliance Officer (the "CCO") for guidance.

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### *Voting*

Upon receipt of the relevant Portfolio Managers' voting instructions, if any, the Compliance Department will communicate the instructions to the Proxy Voting Service to execute the proxy votes.

### *Non-Votes*

It is the general policy of the Company to vote or give consent on all matters presented to security holders in any vote, and these policies and procedures have been designated with that in mind. However, the Company reserves the right to abstain on any particular vote if, in the judgment of the CCO, or the relevant Portfolio Manager, the effect on the relevant Client's economic interests or the value of the portfolio holding is insignificant in relation to the Client's portfolio, if the costs associated with voting in any particular instance outweigh the benefits to the relevant Clients or if the circumstances make such an abstention or withholding otherwise advisable and in the best interests of the relevant Clients not to vote. Such determination may apply in respect of all Client holdings of the securities or only certain specified Clients, as the Company deems appropriate under the circumstances. As examples, a Portfolio Manager may determine: (a) not to recall securities on loan if, in his or her judgment, the matters being voted upon are not material events affecting the securities and the negative consequences to Clients of disrupting the securities lending program would outweigh the benefits of voting in the particular instance or (b) not to vote proxies relating to certain foreign securities if, in his or her judgment, the expense and administrative inconvenience outweighs the benefits to Clients of voting the securities.

### *Conflicts of Interest*

The Company's Compliance Department is responsible for monitoring voting decisions for any conflicts of interest, regardless of whether they are actual or perceived. All voting decisions contrary to the recommendation of a Proxy Advisor require a mandatory conflicts of interest review by the Compliance Department, which will include a consideration of whether the Company or any Portfolio Manager or other person recommending or providing input on how to vote has an interest in the vote that may present a conflict of interest.

In addition, all Company investment professionals are expected to perform their tasks relating to the voting of proxies in accordance with the principles set forth above, according the first priority to the best interest of the relevant Clients. If at any time a Portfolio Manager or any other investment professional becomes aware of a potential or actual conflict of interest regarding any particular voting decision, he or she must contact the Compliance Department promptly and, if in connection with a proxy that has yet to be voted, prior to such vote. If any investment professional is pressured or lobbied, whether from inside or outside the Company, with respect to any particular voting decision, he or she should contact the Compliance Department promptly. The CCO will use his or her best judgment to address any such conflict of interest and ensure that it is resolved in accordance with his or her independent assessment of the best interests of the relevant Clients.

In the event of a conflict, the Company may choose to address such conflict by: (i) voting in accordance with the Proxy Advisor's recommendation; (ii) the CCO determining how to vote the proxy (if the CCO approves deviation from the Proxy Advisor's recommendation, then the CCO shall document the rationale for the vote); (iii) "echo voting" or "mirror voting" the proxy in the same proportion as the votes of other proxy holders that are not Clients; or (iv) with respect to Clients other than Retail Funds, notifying the affected Client of the material conflict of interest and seeking a waiver of the conflict or obtaining such Client's voting instructions. Where the Compliance Department deems appropriate, third parties may be used to help resolve conflicts. In this regard, the CCO or his or her delegate shall have the power to retain fiduciaries, consultants or professionals to assist with voting decisions and/or to delegate voting or consent powers to such fiduciaries, consultants or professionals.

Where a conflict of interest arises with respect to a voting decision for a Retail Fund, the Company shall disclose the conflict and the rationale for the vote taken to the Retail Fund's Board of Directors/Trustees at the next regularly scheduled quarterly meeting. The Compliance Department will maintain a log documenting the basis for the decision and will furnish the log to the Board of Trustees.

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### *Material Conflicts of Interest*

The following relationships or circumstances are examples of situations that may give rise to a material conflict of interest for purposes of this Policy. This list is not exclusive or determinative; any potential conflict (including payments of the types described below but less than the specified threshold) should be identified to the Company's Compliance Department:

- (i) The issuer is a Client of the Company, or of an affiliate, accounting for more than 5% of the Company's or affiliate's annual revenues.
- (ii) The issuer is an entity that reasonably could be expected to pay the Company or its affiliates more than \$1 million through the end of the Company's next two full fiscal years.
- (iii) The issuer is an entity in which a "Covered Person" (as defined in the Company's Policies and Procedures Designed to Detect and Prevent Insider Trading and to Comply with Rule 17j-1 of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Code of Ethics")) has a beneficial interest contrary to the position held by the Company on behalf of Clients.
- (iv) The issuer is an entity in which an officer or partner of the Company or a relative of any such person is or was an officer, director or employee, or such person or relative otherwise has received more than \$150,000 in fees, compensation and other payment from the issuer during the Company's last three fiscal years; provided, however, that the Compliance Department may deem such a relationship not to be a material conflict of interest if the Company representative serves as an officer or director of the issuer at the direction of the Company for purposes of seeking control over the issuer.
- (v) The matter under consideration could reasonably be expected to result in a material financial benefit to the Company or its affiliates through the end of the Company's next two full fiscal years (for example, a vote to increase an investment advisory fee for a Retail Fund advised by the Company or an affiliate).
- (vi) Another Client or prospective Client of the Company, directly or indirectly, conditions future engagement of the Company on voting proxies in respect of any Client's securities on a particular matter in a particular way.
- (vii) The Company holds various classes and types of equity and debt securities of the same issuer contemporaneously in different Client portfolios.
- (viii) Any other circumstance where the Company's duty to serve its Clients' interests, typically referred to as its "duty of loyalty," could be compromised.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a conflict of interest described above shall not be considered material for the purposes of this Policy in respect of a specific vote or circumstance if:

The securities in respect of which the Company has the power to vote account for less than 1% of the issuer's outstanding voting securities, but only if: (i) such securities do not represent one of the 10 largest holdings of such issuer's outstanding voting securities and (ii) such securities do not represent more than 2% of the Client's holdings with the Company.

The matter to be voted on relates to a restructuring of the terms of existing securities or the issuance of new securities or a similar matter arising out of the holding of securities, other than common equity, in the context of a bankruptcy or threatened bankruptcy of the issuer.

[Table of Contents](#)**Recordkeeping**

Following the submission of a proxy vote, the Trust will maintain a report of the vote and all relevant documentation.

The Trust shall retain records relating to the voting of proxies and the Company shall conduct due diligence, including on Proxy Voting Services and Proxy Advisors, as applicable, to ensure the following records are adequately maintained by the appropriate party:

- (i) Copies of this Policy and any amendments thereto.
- (ii) A current copy of the Proxy Advisor's voting guidelines, as amended.
- (iii) A copy of each proxy statement that the Company receives regarding Client securities. The Company may rely on a third party to make and retain, on the Company's behalf, a copy of a proxy statement, provided that the Company has obtained an undertaking from the third party to provide a copy of the proxy statement promptly upon request.
- (iv) Records of each vote cast by the Company on behalf of Clients. The Company may satisfy this requirement by relying on a third party to make and retain, on the Company's behalf, a record of the vote cast, provided that the Company has obtained an undertaking from the third party to provide a copy of the record promptly upon request.
- (v) A copy of any documents created by the Company that were material to making a decision how to vote or that memorializes the basis for that decision.
- (vi) A copy of each written request for information on how the Company voted proxies on behalf of the Client, and a copy of any written response by the Company to any (oral or written) request for information on how the Company voted.

These records shall be maintained and preserved in an easily accessible place for a period of not less than five years from the end of the Company's fiscal year during which the last entry was made in the records, the first two years in an appropriate office of the Company.<sup>3</sup>

**Enforcement of this Policy**

It shall be the responsibility of the Compliance Department to handle or coordinate the enforcement of this Policy. The Compliance Department will periodically sample proxy voting records to ensure that proxies have been voted in accordance with this Policy, with a particular focus on any proxy votes that require additional analysis (e.g., proxies voted contrary to the recommendations of a Proxy Advisor).

If the Compliance Department determines that a Proxy Advisor or Proxy Voting Service may have committed a material error, the Compliance Department will investigate the error, taking into account the nature of the error, and seek to determine whether the Proxy Advisor or Proxy Voting Service is taking reasonable steps to reduce similar errors in the future.

<sup>3</sup> If the Company has essentially immediate access to a book or record (on the Company's proprietary system or otherwise) through a computer located at an appropriate office of the Company, then that book or record will be considered to be maintained at an appropriate office of the Company. "Immediate access" to books and records includes that the Company has the ability to provide promptly to Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") examination staff hard copies of the books and records or access to the storage medium. The party responsible for the applicable books and records as described above shall also be responsible for ensuring that those books and records for the first two years are either physically maintained in an appropriate office of the Company or that the Company otherwise has essentially immediate access to the required books and records for the first two years.

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In addition, no less frequently than annually, the Compliance Department will review the adequacy of this Policy to ensure that it has been implemented effectively and to confirm that this Policy continues to be reasonably designed to ensure that proxies are voted in the best interest of Clients.

**Disclosures to Clients and Investors**

The Company includes a description of its policies and procedures regarding proxy voting in Part 2 of Form ADV, along with a statement that Clients can contact the CCO to obtain a copy of these policies and procedures and information about how the Company voted with respect to a Client's securities. This Policy is, however, subject to change at any time without notice.

As a matter of policy, the Company does not disclose how it expects to vote on upcoming proxies. Additionally, the Company does not disclose the way it voted proxies to unaffiliated third parties without a legitimate need to know such information.

# **EXHIBIT AAAA**



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**SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION**

**Proxy Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Filed by the Registrant ☒ [ X ]

Filed by a Party other than the Registrant ☐ [ ]

Check the appropriate box:

☐ [ ] Preliminary Proxy Statement

☐ [ ] Confidential, for Use of the Commission Only (as permitted by Rule 14a-6(e)(2))

☒ [X] Definitive Proxy Statement

☐ [ ] Definitive Additional Materials

☐ [ ]

☐ [ ] Soliciting Material Pursuant to Sec. 240.14a-12

**Highland Income Fund**

(Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

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(Name of Person(s) Filing Proxy Statement, if other than Registrant)

Payment of Filing Fee (Check the appropriate box):

☒ [ X ] No fee required.

☐ [ ] Fee computed on table below per Exchange Act Rules 14a-6(i)(1) and 0-11.

- 1) Title of each class of securities to which transactions applies:
- 2) Aggregate number of securities to which transaction applies:
- 3) Per unit price or other underlying value of transaction computed pursuant to Exchange Act Rule 0-11 (Set forth the amount on which the filing fee is calculated and state how it was determined):
- 4) Proposed maximum aggregate value of transaction:
- 5) Total fee paid:

☐ [ ] Fee paid previously with preliminary materials.

☐ [ ] Check box if any part of the fee is offset as provided by Exchange Act Rule 0-11(a)(2) and identify the filing for which the offsetting fee was paid previously. Identify the previous filing by registration statement number, or the Form or Schedule and the date of its filing.

- 1) Amount Previously Paid:
- 2) Form, Schedule or Registration Statement No.:
- 3) Filing Party:
- 4) Date Filed:

**HIGHLAND INCOME FUND**

**300 Crescent Court  
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(800) 357-9167**

**April 22, 2020**

Dear Shareholder:

Enclosed you will find the proxy materials for the 2020 Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Highland Income Fund (formerly, Highland Floating Rate Opportunities Fund) (the “Fund”) to be held at 200 Crescent Court, Crescent Club, Dallas, Texas 75201, on Friday, June 12, 2020, at 8:30 a.m. Central Time (the “Annual Meeting”). In light of the developing situation with COVID-19 (coronavirus) and the travel advisories across the United States, we are requesting that shareholders and others NOT ATTEND the Annual Meeting in person this year but to attend the Annual Meeting via conference call. For those who wish to attend via conference call, please email Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P. at [attendameeting@astfinancial.com](mailto:attendameeting@astfinancial.com) and provide us with your full name and address in order to receive the conference call dial-in information. Details regarding the business to be conducted at the Annual Meeting are more fully described in the accompanying Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders and Proxy Statement.

In addition to voting on the Proposal described in the Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders and Proxy Statement, you will have an opportunity to hear a report on the Fund and to discuss other matters of interest to you as a shareholder.

**It is very important that your shares be represented at the Annual Meeting.** Whether or not you plan to attend, please review the enclosed proxy card, which provides options for voting, to assure that your shares are represented at the Annual Meeting.

Sincerely,

/s/ Frank Waterhouse

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Frank Waterhouse  
Treasurer, Principal Accounting Officer, Principal Financial  
Officer, and Principal Executive Officer

**HIGHLAND INCOME FUND**

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**NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS  
TO BE HELD ON JUNE 12, 2020**

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Highland Income Fund (formerly Highland Floating Rate Opportunities Fund), a Massachusetts business trust (the "Fund"), will be held at 200 Crescent Court, Crescent Club, Dallas, Texas 75201, on Friday, June 12, 2020, at 8:30 a.m. Central Time (the "Annual Meeting"). In light of the developing situation with COVID-19 (coronavirus) and the travel advisories across the United States, we are requesting that stockholders and others NOT ATTEND the Annual Meeting in person this year but to attend the Annual Meeting via conference call. For those who wish to attend via conference call, please email Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P. at [attendameeting@astfinancial.com](mailto:attendameeting@astfinancial.com) and provide us with your full name and address in order to receive the conference call dial-in information. The Annual Meeting will be held for the following purposes:

1. To elect Dr. Bob Froehlich as a Class II Trustee of the Fund, to serve for a three-year term expiring at the 2023 Annual Meeting or until his successor is duly elected and qualifies, by the holders of the Fund's 5.375% Series A Cumulative Preferred Shares ("Preferred Shares") (the "Proposal"); and
2. To transact such other business as may properly come before the Annual Meeting and any adjournment or postponements thereof.

The Board of Trustees recommends a vote FOR the Proposal. The close of business on April 16, 2020 has been fixed as the record date for the determination of shareholders entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the Annual Meeting and any adjournment or postponements thereof. Please email Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P. at [attendameeting@astfinancial.com](mailto:attendameeting@astfinancial.com) and provide us with your full name and address in order to receive the conference call dial-in information.

**Important Notice Regarding Availability of Proxy Materials for the Shareholder Meeting to be held on June 12, 2020: Copies of these proxy materials, including the Fund's annual shareholder report, the Notice for the Annual Meeting, the Proxy Statement and the form of proxy, are available to you on the Internet at [www.vote.proxyonline.com/docs/highlandfrof2020.pdf](http://www.vote.proxyonline.com/docs/highlandfrof2020.pdf). Copies of the proxy materials are available upon request, without charge, by writing to AST Fund Solutions, LLC at AST Fund Solutions, ATTN: Highland 14324 Fulfillment, 55 Challenger Road, Suite 201, Ridgefield Park, New Jersey 07660, by calling (866) 829-0541, or by sending an e-mail to [corporate@astfundsolutions.com](mailto:corporate@astfundsolutions.com), using subject line: Highland 14324 Fulfillment.**

Shareholders are encouraged to read all of the proxy materials before voting as the proxy materials contain important information necessary to make an informed decision.

The Board of Trustees is requesting your vote. Your vote is important regardless of the number of shares that you own. Please complete and sign the enclosed proxy card and return it promptly in the enclosed envelope, which needs no postage if mailed in the United States. If you desire to vote in person at the Annual Meeting using the conference call dial-in information, you may revoke your proxy at any time before it is exercised.

By Order of the Board of Trustees,

/s/ Lauren Thedford  
Lauren Thedford  
Secretary

April 22, 2020  
Dallas, Texas

**HIGHLAND INCOME FUND**

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**PROXY STATEMENT  
ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS  
JUNE 12, 2020**

This Proxy Statement is furnished in connection with the solicitation of proxies on behalf of the Board of Trustees of Highland Income Fund (formerly Highland Floating Rate Opportunities Fund), a Massachusetts business trust (the “Fund” or “HFRO”), for use at the Fund’s Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held at 200 Crescent Court, Crescent Club, Dallas, Texas 75201, on Friday, June 12, 2020, at 8:30 a.m. Central Time, and at any and all adjournments or postponements thereof (the “Annual Meeting”), for the purposes set forth in the accompanying Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders dated April 22, 2020. In light of the developing situation with COVID-19 (coronavirus) and the travel advisories across the United States, we are requesting that stockholders and others NOT ATTEND the Annual Meeting in person this year but to attend the Annual Meeting via conference call. For those who wish to attend via conference call, please email Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P. at [attendameeting@astfinancial.com](mailto:attendameeting@astfinancial.com) and provide us with your full name and address in order to receive the conference call dial-in information. The Fund is a closed-end management investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “1940 Act”).

Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors L.P., a Delaware limited partnership (“HCMFA” or the “Adviser”), with its principal office at 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201, serves as the investment adviser and the administrator to the Fund. The Fund’s principal executive office is located at 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201.

This Proxy Statement and the accompanying Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders and form of proxy are being provided to shareholders on or about April 22, 2020. The Board of Trustees (the “Board”) has fixed the close of business on April 16, 2020 as the record date (the “Record Date”) for the determination of shareholders entitled to receive notice of, and to vote at, the Annual Meeting. As of the Record Date, 71,775,921.00 shares of the Fund’s common shares (“Common Shares”), par value \$0.001 per share, were issued and outstanding, and 5,800,000.00 5.375% Series A Cumulative Preferred Shares (“Preferred Shares”), with a liquidation preference of \$25.00 per share, were issued and outstanding. Shareholders of the Fund are entitled to one vote for each Fund share held and fractional votes for each fractional Fund share held. Only shareholders of Preferred Shares (“Preferred Shareholders”) will be asked to vote on Proposal 1.

If the form of proxy is properly executed and returned in time to be voted at the Annual Meeting, the shares covered thereby will be voted at the Annual Meeting in accordance with the instructions marked thereon. All properly executed proxies received by the Board that do not specify how shares should be voted will be voted “**FOR**” the election as a Trustee of the nominee listed in the Proposal and (ii) in the discretion of the persons named as proxies in connection with any other matter which may properly come before the Annual Meeting or any adjournment or postponements thereof.

The Board does not know of any matters to be considered at the Annual Meeting other than the election of the Trustee referred to in this Proxy Statement. A shareholder may revoke his or her proxy any time before it is exercised by (i) voting in person using the conference call dial-in information at the Annual Meeting, (ii) giving written notice of such revocation to the Secretary of the Fund or (iii) returning a later-dated proxy before the Annual Meeting.

The presence in person or by proxy of the holders of a majority of the shares of the Fund entitled to vote shall constitute a quorum (“Quorum”) for the Fund’s Annual Meeting. If a Quorum is not present at the Annual

Meeting, or if a Quorum is present but sufficient votes to approve the Proposal are not received, the persons named as proxies may propose one or more adjournments or postponements of the Annual Meeting to permit further solicitation of proxies. Any adjournment or postponement will require the affirmative vote of a majority of those shares that are represented at the Annual Meeting in person or by proxy, whether or not a Quorum is present.

Shares represented by properly executed proxies with respect to which (i) a vote is withheld, (ii) the shareholder abstains, or (iii) a broker does not vote (i.e., “broker non-votes”) will be treated as shares that are present and entitled to vote for purposes of determining a Quorum. Assuming the presence of a Quorum, abstentions and “broker non-votes” will have no effect on the outcome of the vote on the Proposal.

In addition to soliciting proxies by mail, the Fund’s officers and employees of the Adviser may solicit proxies by internet or by telephone. Copies of the Notice for the Annual Meeting, the Proxy Statement and the form of proxy are available at [www.vote.proxyonline.com/docs/highlandfro2020.pdf](http://www.vote.proxyonline.com/docs/highlandfro2020.pdf). The Fund has engaged AST Fund Solutions, LLC, at AST Fund Solutions, ATTN: Highland 14324 Fulfillment, 55 Challenger Road, Suite 201, Ridgefield Park, New Jersey 07660 for inquiries, to provide shareholder meeting services, including the distribution of this Proxy Statement and related materials to shareholders as well as assisting the Fund in soliciting proxies for the Annual Meeting at an approximate cost of \$57,990. The costs of proxy solicitation and expenses incurred in connection with preparing this Proxy Statement and its enclosures will be paid by the Fund.

## **PROPOSAL 1**

### **ELECTION OF TRUSTEES**

The Fund’s Board is currently composed of four Trustees, three of whom are not “interested persons” of the Fund (as defined in the 1940 Act) (the “Independent Trustees”). The Independent Trustees of the Board are Bryan A. Ward, Ethan Powell and Dr. Bob Froehlich. In light of certain relationships between Mr. Honis and certain affiliates of the Adviser, including Highland Capital Management, L.P. (“HCMLP”), arising out of HCMLP’s pending Chapter 11 proceedings, Mr. Honis is treated as an Interested Trustee of the Fund.

At the Annual Meeting, the holders of the Fund’s Preferred Shares are being asked to re-elect Dr. Bob Froehlich as a Class II Trustee of the Fund, to serve for a three-year term until the 2023 annual meeting of shareholders or until his respective successor is duly elected and qualifies. Dr. Bob Froehlich is currently serving as a Class II Trustee of the Fund and has agreed to continue to serve as a Class II Trustee, if re-elected. If Dr. Bob Froehlich is not available for re-election at the time of the Annual Meeting, the persons named as proxies will vote for such substitute nominee(s) as the Fund’s Governance and Compliance Committee may select.

The Fund’s Board is divided into three classes with the term of office of one class expiring each year. Dr. Bob Froehlich is currently serving as a Class II Trustee. Dr. Froehlich was last elected to serve a three year term at the annual meeting of shareholders held on June 2, 2017. Mr. Honis is currently serving as a Class III Trustee and was last elected to serve until the 2021 annual meeting of shareholders at the annual meeting of shareholders held on June 22, 2018. Ethan Powell and Bryan A. Ward are currently serving as Class I Trustees and were last elected to serve until the 2022 annual meeting of shareholders at the Fund’s annual meeting of shareholders held on June 14, 2019. Dr. Froehlich will continue to serve as a Class II Trustee if re-elected at the Annual Meeting until the 2023 annual meeting of shareholders or until his respective successor is duly elected and qualifies. The Fund’s Trustees are not required to attend the Fund’s annual shareholder meetings.

Under the Fund’s Declaration of Trust, Statement of Preferences for the Preferred Shares and the 1940 Act, the holders of the Fund’s Preferred Shares, voting as a separate class, to the exclusion of holders of all other securities and classes of capital shares of the Fund, are entitled to elect two of the Fund’s Trustees. The holders of the Fund’s Preferred Shares are entitled to elect the minimum number of additional Trustees that would represent a majority of the Trustees in the event that dividends on the Fund’s Preferred Shares become in arrears for two full years and until all arrearages are eliminated. No dividend arrearages exist as of the date of this Proxy Statement.

Dr. Froehlich and Mr. Powell have been designated as the directors representing the holders of the Preferred Shares. Accordingly, only the holders of the Preferred Shares will vote to re-elect Dr. Froehlich. The holders of the Preferred Shares will be entitled to re-elect one additional Trustee when the next term of office expires. This means that Mr. Powell, as a Class I Trustee, will be re-elected solely by the holders of the Preferred Shares at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders in 2022. The holders of the outstanding capital shares of the Fund, including the holders of the Preferred Shares, voting as a single class, elect the balance of the trustees.

#### **Vote Required for Election of Trustees**

For Dr. Froehlich, the election requires the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the Preferred Shares of the Fund, represented in person or by proxy at the Annual Meeting and entitled to vote. Abstentions and “broker non-votes” (i.e., shares held in “street name” by brokers or nominees that indicate on their proxies that they do not have discretionary authority to vote such shares as to the election of a Trustee) are counted as present at the Annual Meeting but, assuming the presence of a Quorum, will have no effect on the outcome of the vote on the Proposal.

**THE BOARD, INCLUDING ALL OF THE INDEPENDENT TRUSTEES, UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS THAT SHAREHOLDERS VOTE “FOR” THE ELECTION OF THE NOMINEE AS A TRUSTEE.**

#### **Qualifications and Additional Information about the Nominee for Trustee and the Continuing Trustees**

The following provides an overview of the considerations that led the Board to conclude that the nominee for Trustee or the individuals serving as continuing Trustees of the Fund should be nominated or so serve, as well as the nominee’s and each Trustee’s name and certain biographical information as reported by them to the Fund. Among the factors the Board considered when concluding that an individual should be a nominee for Trustee or serve on the Board were the following: the individual’s experience, skills, expertise, education, knowledge, diversity, personal and professional integrity, character, business judgment, time availability in light of other commitments, dedication, the candidate’s ability to qualify as an Independent Trustee and the existence of any other relationships that might give rise to a conflict of interest and other relevant factors that the Fund’s Governance and Compliance Committee considers appropriate in the context of the needs of the Board (e.g., whether a candidate is an “audit committee financial expert” under the federal securities laws).

In respect of the Trustee nominee and each continuing Trustee, the individual’s professional accomplishments and prior experience, including, in some cases, in fields related to the operations of the Fund, were a significant factor in the determination that the individual should be a nominee for Trustee or serve as a Trustee of the Fund. The Trustee nominee’s and each continuing Trustee’s professional experience and additional considerations that contributed to the Board’s conclusion that an individual should serve on the Board are summarized in the table below.

The “Highland Funds Complex,” as referred to herein consists of: the Fund, each series of Highland Funds I (“HFI”), each series of Highland Funds II (“HFII”), Highland Global Allocation Fund (“GAF”), NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund (“NHF”), NexPoint Event-Driven Fund (“NEDF”), NexPoint Latin American Opportunities Fund (“NLAF”), NexPoint Real Estate Strategies Fund (“NRESF”), NexPoint Strategic Income Fund (“NSIF”), NexPoint Energy and Materials Opportunities Fund (“NEMO”), NexPoint Discount Strategies Fund (“NDSF”), NexPoint Healthcare Opportunities Fund (“NHOF”), and together with NEDF, NLAF, NRESF, NSIF, NEMO, and NDSF, the “Interval Funds”), and NexPoint Capital, Inc. (the “BDC”), a closed-end management investment company that has elected to be treated as a business development company under the 1940 Act.

**Name, Date of Birth,  
Position(s) with the Fund and  
Length of Time Served,  
Term of Office<sup>1</sup> and  
Number of Portfolios in the  
Highland Funds Complex  
Overseen by the Trustee**  
**Independent Trustees**

**Principal Occupations(s)  
During the Past Five Years and  
Other Directorships/Trusteeships  
Held During the Past Five Years**

**Experience, Qualifications,  
Attributes, Skills for  
Board Membership**

**Dr. Bob Froehlich**  
(4/28/1953)

Trustee since March 2016; 3 year term  
(expiring at 2020 annual meeting) for  
the Fund.

20 funds

Retired.

Trustee of ARC Realty Finance Trust, Inc. (from January 2013 to May 2016); Director of KC Concessions, Inc. (since January 2013); Trustee of Realty Capital Income Funds Trust (from January 2014 to December 2016); Director of American Realty Capital Healthcare Trust II (from January 2013 to June 2016); Director, American Realty Capital Daily Net Asset Value Trust, Inc. (from November 2012 to July 2016); Director of American Sports Enterprise, Inc. (since January 2013); Director of Davidson Investment Advisors (from July 2009 to July 2016); Chairman and owner, Kane County Cougars Baseball Club (since January 2013); Advisory Board of Directors, Internet Connectivity Group, Inc. (from January 2014 to April 2016); Director of AXAR Acquisition Corp. (formerly AR Capital Acquisition Corp.) (from October 2014 to October 2017); Director of The Midwest League of Professional Baseball Clubs, Inc.; Director of Kane County Cougars Foundation, Inc.; Director of Galen Robotics, Inc.; Chairman and Director of FC Global Realty, Inc. (from May 2017 to June 2018); and Chairman and Director of First Capital Investment Corp. (from March 2017 to March 2018); and Director and Special Advisor to Vault Data, LLC (since February 2018).

Significant experience in the financial industry; significant managerial and executive experience; significant experience on other boards of directors, including as a member of several audit committees.

**Ethan Powell**  
(6/20/1975)

Trustee since December 2013;  
Chairman of the Board since December  
2013; 3 year term (expiring at 2022  
annual meeting) for the Fund.

20 funds

CEO, Chairman and Founder of Impact Shares LLC since December 2015; Trustee/Director of the Highland Funds Complex from June 2012 until July 2013 and since December 2013; Chief Product Strategist of HCMFA from 2012 until December 2015; Senior Retail Fund Analyst of HCMLP from 2007 until December 2015 and HCMFA from its inception until December 2015; President and Principal Executive Officer of NHF from June 2012 until May 2015; Secretary of NHF from May 2015 until December 2015; Executive Vice President and Principal Executive Officer of HFI and HFII from June 2012 until December 2015; and Secretary of HFI and HFII from November 2010 to May 2015.

Significant experience in the financial industry; significant executive experience including past service as an officer of funds in the Highland Funds Complex; significant administrative and managerial experience.

Trustee of Impact Shares Funds I Trust

**Name, Date of Birth, Position(s) with the Fund and Length of Time Served, Term of Office<sup>1</sup> and Number of Portfolios in the Highland Funds Complex Overseen by the Trustee**

**Bryan A. Ward**  
(2/4/1955)

Trustee since May 2006; 3 year term (expiring at 2022 annual meeting) for the Fund.

20 funds

**Interested Trustee**

**John Honis<sup>2</sup>**  
(6/16/1958)

Trustee since July 2013; 3 year term (expiring at 2021 annual meeting) for the Fund.

20 funds

**Principal Occupations(s) During the Past Five Years and Other Directorships/Trusteeships Held During the Past Five Years**

Senior Advisor, CrossFirst Bank since April 2019; Private Investor, BW Consulting, LLC since 2014; Senior Manager, Accenture, LLP (a consulting firm) from 1991 until retirement in 2014.

Director of Equity Metrix, LLC

**Experience, Qualifications, Attributes, Skills for Board Membership**

Significant experience on this and/or other boards of directors/trustees; significant managerial and executive experience; significant experience as a management consultant.

- 1 On an annual basis, as a matter of Board policy, the Governance and Compliance Committee reviews each Trustee's performance and determines whether to extend each such Trustee's service for another year. Effective June 2013, the Board adopted a retirement policy wherein the Governance and Compliance Committee shall not recommend the continued service as a Trustee of a Board member who is older than 80 years of age at the time the Governance and Compliance Committee reports its findings to the Board.
- 2 Effective January 28, 2020, Mr. Honis is treated as an Interested Trustee of the Fund in light of certain relationships between Mr. Honis and certain affiliates of the Adviser, including HCMLP, arising out of HCMLP's pending Chapter 11 proceedings. From May 1, 2015 to January 28, 2020, Mr. Honis was treated as an Independent Trustee of the Fund.

**Information about the Fund's Executive Officers**

Set forth below are the names and certain information regarding the Fund's executive officers. Such officers serve at the pleasure of the Trustees or until their successors have been duly elected and qualified. The Trustees may fill any vacancy in office or add any additional officers at any time.

**Name, Date of Birth, Position(s) held with the Fund and Length of Time Served, Term of Office**

**Dustin Norris**  
(1/6/1984)

Executive Vice President since April 2019; Indefinite Term

**Principal Occupations(s) During the Past Five Years**

Head of Distribution and Chief Product Strategist at NexPoint since March 2019; President of NexPoint Securities, Inc. since April 2018; Head of Distribution at HCMFA from November 2017 until March 2019; Chief Product Strategist at HCMFA from September 2015 to March 2019; Director of Product Strategy at HCMFA from May 2014 to September 2015; Officer of the Highland Funds Complex since November 2012.



**Name, Date of Birth, Position(s)  
held with the Fund and Length of  
Time Served, Term of Office**

**Frank Waterhouse**  
(4/14/1971)

**Principal Occupations(s) During the Past Five Years**

Partner and Chief Financial Officer of HCM; Treasurer of the Highland Funds Complex since May 2015.

Treasurer since May 2015; Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer since October 2017; Principal Executive Officer since February 2018; Indefinite Term

**David Klos, CPA**  
(5/6/1982)

Chief Accounting Officer at HCMLP since April 2020 and Financial Operations Principal for NexPoint Securities, Inc. since October 2016; Controller at HCMLP from March 2017 to March 2020; Assistant Controller at HCMLP from March 2015 until February 2017.

Assistant Treasurer since April 2020; Indefinite Term

**Jason Post**  
(1/9/1979)

Chief Compliance Officer for HCMFA and NexPoint since September 2015; Chief Compliance Officer and Anti-Money Laundering Officer of the Highland Funds Complex since September 2015. Prior to his current role at HCMFA and NexPoint, Mr. Post served as Deputy Chief Compliance Officer and Director of Compliance for HCM.

Chief Compliance Officer since September 2015; Indefinite Term

**Lauren Thedford**  
(1/7/1989)

Associate General Counsel at HCM since September 2017; In-House Counsel at HCM from January 2015 until September 2017; Secretary of the Highland Funds Complex since April 2019.

Secretary since April 2019; Indefinite Term

<sup>1</sup> The address for each officer is c/o Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P., 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201.

**Beneficial Ownership of Shares**

Set forth in the table below is the dollar range of shares of the Fund and the aggregate dollar range of shares beneficially owned by each Trustee of the Fund.

<u>Name of Trustee</u>	<u>Dollar Range of Shares of the Fund<sup>1</sup></u>	<u>Aggregate Dollar Range of Equity Securities<sup>2</sup> Owned in All Registered Investment Companies Overseen by Trustee in the Highland Funds Complex</u>
<b>Independent Trustees</b>		
Ethan Powell	\$ 10,001-\$50,000	\$10,001-\$50,000
Dr. Bob Froehlich	\$ 10,001-\$50,000	Over \$100,000
Bryan A. Ward	None	Over \$100,000
<b>Interested Trustee</b>		
John Honis <sup>3</sup>	None	None

<sup>1</sup> Based on market value as of February 28, 2020.

<sup>2</sup> Based on market value as of February 28, 2020.

<sup>3</sup> Effective January 28, 2020, Mr. Honis is treated as an Interested Trustee of the Fund.

As of February 28, 2020, the Trustees and officers of the Fund as a group owned 0.02% of the Fund's outstanding shares.

As of February 28, 2020, none of the Independent Trustees or their immediate family members owned beneficially or of record any securities issued by the Adviser, the principal underwriter, or any person controlling, controlled by, or under common control with the Adviser or principal underwriter.

## **Role of the Board of Trustees, Leadership Structure and Risk Oversight**

### ***The Role of the Board***

The Board oversees the management and operations of the Fund. Like most registered investment companies, the day-to-day management and operation of the Fund is performed by various service providers to the Fund, such as the Adviser, and the distributor, administrator, custodian, and transfer agent. The Board has appointed senior employees of certain of these service providers as officers of the Fund, with responsibility to monitor and report to the Board on the Fund's operations. The Board receives regular reports from these officers and service providers regarding the Fund's operations. For example, the Treasurer provides reports as to financial reporting matters and investment personnel report on the performance of the Fund. The Board has appointed a Chief Compliance Officer who administers the Fund's compliance program and regularly reports to the Board as to compliance matters. Some of these reports are provided as part of formal in-person Board meetings, which are typically held quarterly, in person, and involve the Board's review of, among other items, recent Fund operations. The Board also periodically holds telephonic meetings as part of its review of the Fund's activities. From time to time one or more members of the Board may also meet with management in less formal settings, between scheduled Board meetings, to discuss various topics. In all cases, however, the role of the Board and of any individual Trustee is one of oversight and not of management of the day-to-day affairs of the Fund and its oversight role does not make the Board a guarantor of the Fund's investments, operations or activities.

### ***Board Structure and Leadership***

The Board has structured itself in a manner that it believes allows it to perform its oversight function effectively. The Board currently consists of four Trustees, three of whom are not "interested persons," as defined in the 1940 Act and are "independent" as defined in Rule 303A.02 of the New York Stock Exchange Listed Company Manual. The remaining Trustee, Mr. Honis, is currently treated as an "interested person" of the Fund (an "Interested Trustee"). Mr. Powell serves as Chairman of the Board. The Trustees meet periodically throughout the year in person and by telephone to oversee the Fund's activities, review contractual arrangements with service providers for the Fund and review the Fund's performance. Effective April 11, 2019, the Fund changed its fiscal year end to December 31. The previous fiscal year end was June 30. During the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019, the Board convened sixteen times. Each Trustee attended at least 75% of the aggregate of the total number of meetings of the Board and Committees on which he served during the periods that he served. The Fund encourages, but does not require, Trustees to attend the Annual Meeting.

The Board periodically reviews its leadership structure, including the role of the Chairman. The Board also completes an annual self-assessment during which it reviews its leadership and Committee structure and considers whether its structure remains appropriate in light of the Fund's current operations. The Board believes that its leadership structure, including the current percentage of the Board who are Independent Trustees is appropriate given its specific characteristics. These characteristics include: (i) the extent to which the work of the Board is conducted through the standing committees, and that the Audit and Qualified Legal Compliance Committee (the "Audit Committee") and the Governance and Compliance Committee meetings are chaired by an Independent Trustee; (ii) the extent to which the Independent Trustees meet as needed, together with their independent legal counsel, in the absence of members of management and any member of the Board who is considered an "interested person" of the Fund; and (iii) Mr. Powell's and Mr. Honis' previous positions with the Adviser and affiliates of the Adviser, which enhances the Board's understanding of the operations of the Adviser.

***Board Oversight of Risk Management.*** The Board's role is one of oversight, rather than active management. This oversight extends to the Fund's risk management processes. These processes are embedded in the responsibilities of officers of, and service providers to, the Fund. For example, the Adviser and other service providers to the Fund are primarily responsible for the management of the Fund's investment risks. The Board

has not established a formal risk oversight committee; however, much of the regular work of the Board and its standing Committees addresses aspects of risk oversight. For example, the Trustees seek to understand the key risks facing the Fund, including those involving conflicts of interest; how management identifies and monitors these risks on an ongoing basis; how management develops and implements controls to mitigate these risks; and how management tests the effectiveness of those controls.

In the course of providing that oversight, the Board receives a wide range of reports on the Fund's activities from the Adviser and other service providers, including reports regarding the Fund's investment portfolio, the compliance of the Fund with applicable laws, and the Fund's financial accounting and reporting. The Board also meets periodically with the Fund's Chief Compliance Officer to receive reports regarding the compliance of the Fund with the federal securities laws and the Fund's internal compliance policies and procedures and meets with the Fund's Chief Compliance Officer periodically, including at least annually, to review the Chief Compliance Officer's annual report, including the Chief Compliance Officer's risk-based analysis for the Fund. The Board's Audit Committee also meets regularly with the Treasurer and the Fund's independent registered public accounting firm to discuss, among other things, the internal control structure of the Fund's financial reporting function. The Board also meets periodically with the portfolio managers of the Fund to receive reports regarding the management of the Fund, including its investment risks.

The Board recognizes that not all risks that may affect the Fund can be identified, that it may not be practical or cost-effective to eliminate or mitigate certain risks, that it may be necessary to bear certain risks (such as investment-related risks) to achieve the Fund's goals, that reports received by the Trustees with respect to risk management matters are typically summaries of the relevant information, and that the processes, procedures and controls employed to address risks may be limited in their effectiveness. As a result of the foregoing and other factors, risk management oversight by the Board and by the Committees is subject to substantial limitations.

### **Committees of the Board**

The Board conducts much of its work through certain standing Committees. The Board has three Committees, the Audit Committee, the Governance and Compliance Committee, and the Distribution and Alternatives Oversight Committee, which are discussed in greater detail below. The Board has adopted charters for each of these committees.

***The Audit and Qualified Legal Compliance Committee.*** The members of the Audit Committee are Dr. Froehlich and Messrs. Ward and Powell, each of whom is independent for purposes of the 1940 Act. The Audit Committee is responsible for (i) approving the Fund's independent accountants, (ii) reviewing with the Fund's independent accountants the plans and results of the audit engagement and the adequacy of the Fund's internal accounting controls and (iii) approving professional services provided by the Fund's independent accountants. The Audit Committee is charged with compliance with Rules 205.2(k) and 205.3(c) of Title 17 of the Code of Federal Regulations regarding alternative reporting procedures for attorneys representing the Fund who appear and practice before the SEC on behalf of the Fund. The Audit Committee is also responsible for reviewing and overseeing the valuation of debt and equity securities that are not publicly traded or for which current market values are not readily available pursuant to policies and procedures adopted by the Board. The Board and Audit Committee will use the services of one or more independent valuation firms to help them determine the fair value of these securities. In addition, each member of the Audit Committee meets the current independence and experience requirements of Rule 10A-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "1934 Act"). The Audit Committee met seven times during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019. Mr. Ward acts as the Chairman of the Audit Committee and as the audit committee financial expert.

***The Governance and Compliance Committee.*** The Fund's Governance and Compliance Committee's function is to oversee and make recommendations to the full Board or the Independent Trustees, as applicable, with respect to the governance of the Fund, selection and nomination of Trustees, compensation of Trustees, and related matters, as well as to oversee and assist Board oversight of the Fund's compliance with legal and regulatory requirements and to seek to address any potential conflicts of interest between the Fund and HCMFA in connection with any potential or existing litigation or other legal proceeding related to securities held by the

Fund and the Adviser or another client of the Adviser. The Governance and Compliance Committee is also responsible for at least annually evaluating each Trustee and determining whether to recommend each Trustee's continued service in that capacity. The Governance and Compliance Committee will consider recommendations for Trustee nominees from shareholders sent to the Secretary of the Fund, 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201. A nomination submission must include all information relating to the recommended nominee that is required to be disclosed in solicitations or proxy statements for the election of Trustees, as well as information sufficient to evaluate the recommended nominee's ability to meet the responsibilities of a Trustee of the Fund. Nomination submissions must be accompanied by a written consent of the individual to stand for election if nominated by the Board and to serve if elected by the shareholders, and such additional information must be provided regarding the recommended nominee as reasonably requested by the Governance and Compliance Committee. The Governance and Compliance Committee is currently comprised of Dr. Froehlich and Messrs. Ward and Powell, each of whom is independent for purposes of the 1940 Act. Dr. Froehlich serves as the Chairman of the Governance and Compliance Committee. Prior to the February 28, 2019-March 1, 2019 Board Meeting, the Governance and Compliance Committee was divided into the Governance Committee and the Compliance Committee, each of which met one time during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019. The Governance and Compliance Committee met three times during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019.

**The Distribution and Alternatives Oversight Committee.** The members of the Distribution and Alternatives Oversight Committee are Dr. Froehlich and Messrs. Honis, Ward, and Powell. The Distribution and Alternatives Oversight Committee is responsible for reviewing arrangements with financial intermediaries who provide service to the Fund, including Fund payments to financial intermediaries, and for overseeing any funds that, in the Board's determination, employ alternative investment strategies. Mr. Honis serves as Chairman of the Distribution and Alternatives Oversight Committee. Prior to the February 28, 2019-March 1, 2019 Board Meeting, the Distribution and Alternatives Oversight Committee was divided into the Distribution Oversight Committee and the Alternatives Oversight Committee, each of which met one time during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019. The Distribution and Alternatives Oversight Committee met three times during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019.

#### Remuneration of Trustees and Executive Officers

The executive officers of the Fund receive no direct remuneration from the Fund. Each Trustee receives an annual retainer of \$150,000 payable in quarterly installments and allocated among each portfolio in the Highland Funds Complex based upon relative net assets. The Trustees are reimbursed for actual out-of-pocket expenses relating to attendance at meetings. The Trustees do not receive any separate compensation in connection with service on Committees or for attending Board or Committee Meetings; however, the Chairman of the Board and the Chairman of the Audit Committee each receive an additional payment of \$10,000 payable in quarterly installments and allocated among each portfolio in the Highland Funds Complex based on relative net assets. The Trustees do not have any pension or retirement plan.

The following table summarizes the compensation paid by the Fund to its Trustees and the aggregate compensation paid by the Highland Funds Complex to the Trustees for services rendered in the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019.

Name of Trustee	Aggregate Compensation From the Fund	Pension or Retirement Benefits Accrued as Part of the Fund's Expense	Estimated Annual Benefits Upon Retirement	Aggregate Compensation from the Highland Funds Complex
<b>Independent Trustees</b>				
Timothy K. Hui <sup>1</sup>	\$ 10,852	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 37,500
Bryan A. Ward <sup>2</sup>	\$ 46,302	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 160,000
Dr. Bob Froehlich	\$ 43,408	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 150,000
Ethan Powell <sup>2</sup>	\$ 46,302	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 160,000
<b>Interested Trustee</b>				
John Honis <sup>3</sup>	\$ 43,408	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 150,000
Dustin Norris <sup>4</sup>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

- 1 Effective March 31, 2019, Mr. Hui resigned as an Independent Trustee of the Fund. Mr. Hui's resignation was related to a reduction in the size of the Board to five members. There were no material conflicts, disagreements or other issues between Mr. Hui, the Board of Trustees or the Fund.
- 2 Effective December 31, 2018, the Board approved an aggregate compensation increase of \$10,000 payable to each of the Chairman of the Audit Committee and the Chairman of the Board.
- 3 Effective January 28, 2020, Mr. Honis is treated as an Interested Trustee of the Fund.
- 4 Effective February 28, 2020, Mr. Norris resigned as an Interested Trustee of the Fund. Mr. Norris' resignation was related to a reduction in the size of the Board to four members and the Governance Committee's decision to maintain the independence of at least 75% of the Board in connection with industry best practice. There were no material conflicts, disagreements or other issues between Mr. Norris, the Board or the Fund.

### Share Ownership and Certain Beneficial Owners

To the knowledge of management of the Fund and the Board, the following Common Shares shareholder(s) or "groups," as the term is defined in Section 13(d) of the 1934 Act, beneficially owned, or were owners of record of, more than 5% of the Fund's outstanding shares as of February 28, 2020:

<u>Title of Class</u>	<u>Name and Address of Beneficial Owner</u>	<u>Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership*</u>	<u>Percentage of Class</u>
Common Shares	Morgan Stanley Smith Barney LLC P.O. Box 703 New York, NY 10014	12,176,689 shares	17.20%
Common Shares	National Financial Services LLC For Exclusive Benefit of Our Customers 499 Washington Boulevard Attn: Mutual Fund Dept., 4th Floor Jersey City, NJ 07310	10,492,909 shares	14.82%
Common Shares	Wells Fargo Clearing Services LLC P.O. Box 5268 Sioux Falls, SD 57117	6,618,327 shares	9.35%
Common Shares	Pershing LLC 1 Pershing Plaza, 7th Floor Jersey City, NJ 07399	4,772,500 shares	6.74%

\* Each owner owned shares as a nominee.

To the knowledge of management of the Fund and the Board, the following Preferred Shares shareholder(s) or "groups," as the term is defined in Section 13(d) of the 1934 Act, beneficially owned, or were owners of record of, more than 5% of the Fund's outstanding shares as of February 28, 2020:

<u>Title of Class</u>	<u>Name and Address of Beneficial Owner</u>	<u>Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership*</u>	<u>Percentage of Class</u>
Preferred Shares	Morgan Stanley Smith Barney LLC P.O. Box 703 New York, NY 10014	600,858 shares	10.36%
Preferred Shares	National Financial Services LLC For Exclusive Benefit of Our Customers 499 Washington Boulevard Attn: Mutual Fund Dept., 4th Floor Jersey City, NJ 07310	306,196 shares	5.28%

### Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions

Members of senior management also serve as officers of other investment managers affiliated with the Adviser that do and may in the future manage investment funds, accounts or other investment vehicles with investment objectives similar to those of the Fund. In addition, the Fund's executive officers and directors and the members of the Adviser serve or may serve as officers, directors or principals of entities that operate in the same, or related, lines of business as the Fund does or of investment funds, accounts or other investment vehicles managed by the Fund's affiliates. These investment funds, accounts or other investment vehicles may have investment objectives similar to the Fund's investment objective.

As a result, the Fund may not be given the opportunity to participate in certain investments made by investment funds, accounts or other investment vehicles managed by the Adviser or its affiliates. However, in order to fulfill its fiduciary duties to each of its clients, the Adviser intends to allocate investment opportunities in a manner that is fair and equitable over time and is consistent with the Adviser's allocation policy, investment objective and strategies so that the Fund is not disadvantaged in relation to any other client. Where the Fund is able to co-invest consistent with the requirements of the 1940 Act, if sufficient securities or loan amounts are available to satisfy the Fund's and each such account's proposed demand, the opportunity will be allocated in accordance with the Adviser's pre-transaction determination. If there is an insufficient amount of an investment opportunity to satisfy the Fund's demand and that of other accounts sponsored or managed by the Adviser or its affiliates, the allocation policy provides that allocations among the Fund and such other accounts will generally be made pro rata based on the amount that each such party would have invested if sufficient securities or loan amounts were available. Where the Fund is unable to co-invest consistent with the requirements of the 1940 Act, the Adviser's allocation policy further provides for investments to be allocated on a random or rotational basis to assure that all clients have fair and equitable access to such investment opportunities.

The Board, in consultation with the Fund's Chief Executive Officer, Chief Compliance Officer and legal counsel, may review potential related party transactions and, during these reviews, it may also consider any conflicts of interest brought to its attention pursuant to the Fund's Code of Conduct or the Fund's or the Adviser's Rule 17j-1 Code of Ethics.

The Fund has entered into an investment advisory agreement with the Adviser pursuant to which the Adviser has agreed to provide investment advisory services to the Fund. In exchange for these services, the Fund will pay the Adviser a fee for investment management services. The Fund's contractual advisory fee for the year ended December 31, 2019 was 0.65% for assets up to \$1 billion, 0.60% for assets between \$1 billion and \$2 billion and 0.55% for assets above \$2 billion.

The Adviser also provides administrative services to the Fund. For its services, the Adviser receives an annual fee, payable monthly, in an amount equal to 0.20% of the average weekly value of the Fund's Managed Assets. Under a separate sub-administration agreement, the Adviser delegates certain administrative functions to SEI Investments Global Funds Services ("SEI") and pays SEI directly for these sub-administration services.

The Adviser has been historically affiliated through common control with HCMLP, an SEC-registered investment adviser. On October 16, 2019, HCMLP filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware. The case was subsequently transferred to the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas. On January 9, 2020, the bankruptcy court approved a change of control of HCMLP, which involved the resignation of James Dondero as the sole director of, and the appointment of an independent board to, HCMLP's general partner. Mr. Dondero will, however, remain as an employee of HCMLP and as portfolio manager for all funds and vehicles for which he currently holds such titles. Nevertheless, given Mr. Dondero's historic role with HCMLP and his continued ownership interest and roles with respect to the Highland platform as a whole, as well as the shared services agreements between HCMLP and the Adviser, the Fund will still treat HCMLP and its affiliates as the Fund's affiliates for purposes hereof.

The Adviser is not a party to HCMLP's bankruptcy filing. The Adviser is a party to a shared services arrangement with HCMLP. Under this arrangement the Adviser may utilize employees from HCMLP in connection with various services such as human resources, accounting, tax, valuation, information technology

services, office space, employees, compliance and legal. The Fund does not expect HCMLP's bankruptcy filings to impact its provision of services to the Adviser at this time.

In the future, the Fund may engage the Adviser or certain of its affiliates to provide services other than those discussed above. Any arrangements would be subject to approval by the Board prior to the Adviser or its affiliates being engaged to provide services to the Fund.

#### **Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance**

Section 16(a) of the 1934 Act and Section 30(h) of the 1940 Act, and the rules thereunder, require that the Fund's Trustees and officers, the Adviser, certain persons affiliated with the Adviser, and persons who own beneficially, directly or indirectly, more than 10% of the Fund's outstanding interests (collectively, "Section 16 reporting persons"), file initial reports of beneficial ownership and reports of changes in beneficial ownership of Fund interests with the SEC and the New York Stock Exchange. Section 16 reporting persons are required by SEC regulations to furnish to the Fund copies of all Section 16(a) forms they file with respect to shares of the Fund. The Fund believes that during the past fiscal year, the Officers, Trustees and greater than 10% beneficial holders of the Fund complied with all applicable filing requirements.

#### **INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP ("PwC"), an independent registered public accounting firm located at 2121 N. Pearl Street, Suite 2000, Dallas, TX 75201, serves as the independent registered public accounting firm. After reviewing the Fund's audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019, the Fund's Audit Committee recommended to the Fund's Board that such statements be included in the Fund's Annual Report to Shareholders for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019. A copy of the Audit Committee's report appears below. On September 25, 2017, the Fund acquired the assets of Highland Floating Rate Opportunities Fund (the "Predecessor Fund"), a series of Highland Funds I, a Delaware statutory trust. The Fund is the successor to the accounting and performance information of the Predecessor Fund.

The independent registered public accounting firm for the Fund during the fiscal years ended June 30, 2018, 2017, and 2016 was KPMG LLP ("KPMG"), located at Two Financial Center, 60 South Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02111. On September 28, 2018, the Fund dismissed KPMG as its independent registered public accounting firm, effective on such date. The decision to dismiss KPMG was approved by the audit committee and by the full Board. On September 27, 2018, the Fund approved the appointment of PwC as the Fund's independent registered public accounting firm.

KPMG's audit reports on the Fund's financial statements as of and for the years ended June 30, 2018 and 2017 did not contain any adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion, nor were they qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

During its audit of the Fund as of June 30, 2018, KPMG concluded management's review control over a certain hard-to-value security held by the Fund was not designed at an appropriate level of precision to assess the orderly nature of transactions involving the security and reasonableness and reliability of certain inputs to the fair value model for the security. In connection with this audit, KPMG advised the Fund of the need to expand significantly the scope of its audit. Although Management of the Fund initially disagreed with KPMG's position, subsequent to KPMG's dismissal, Management ultimately took the position that the transactions were orderly and revised certain non-observable inputs to the fair value model for the security.

Other than the disagreements and reportable events disclosed above, during the Fund's years ended June 30, 2018 and 2017 and the subsequent interim period through September 28, 2018, there were no: (1) disagreements (as defined in Item 304(a)(1)(iv) of Regulation S-K and the related instructions) with KPMG on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosure, or auditing scope or procedures, which disagreements if not resolved to their satisfaction would have caused them to make reference in connection with

their opinion to the subject matter of the disagreement, or (2) reportable events (as described in Item 304(a)(1)(v) of Regulation S-K). The audit committee of the Fund discussed the subject matter of these disagreements and reportable events with KPMG. The Fund has authorized KPMG to respond fully to the inquiries of PwC concerning the subject matter of these disagreements and reportable events.

During the years ended June 30, 2018 and 2017 and the subsequent interim period through September 28, 2018, neither Management, the Fund, nor anyone on its behalf, consulted PwC regarding either (i) the application of accounting principles to a specified transaction, either completed or proposed, or the type of audit opinion that might be rendered on the financial statements of the Fund, and no written report or oral advice was provided to the Fund by PwC that PwC concluded was an important factor considered by the Fund in reaching a decision as to any accounting, auditing or financial reporting issue; or (ii) any matter that was either the subject of a disagreement (as defined in Item 304(a)(1)(iv) of Regulation S-K and the related instructions) or a reportable event (as described in Item 304(a)(1)(v) of Regulation S-K).

The Fund provided KPMG and PwC with a copy of the disclosure it is making in response to Item 304(a) of Regulation S-K and requested that KPMG and PwC furnish the Fund with letters addressed to the SEC, pursuant to Item 304(a) containing any new information, clarification of the Fund's expression of its view, or the respects in which it does not agree with the statements made by the Fund in response to Item 304(a). A copy of KPMG's letter dated March 1, 2019 was filed as an exhibit to the Fund's N-CSRS filed on March 8, 2019.

Representatives of PwC will not be present at the Annual Meeting, but PwC has been given the opportunity to make a statement if they desire to do so and will be available should any matter arise requiring their presence.

#### **Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm Fees and Services**

The following chart reflects fees paid to PwC in the Fund's last two fiscal years. One hundred percent (100%) of all services provided by PwC to the Fund in each year were pre-approved and no fees were subject to pre-approval by the Audit Committee pursuant to Rule 2-01(c)(7)(i)(c) of Regulation S-X. The audit services are approved by the Audit Committee pursuant to an audit engagement letter, and, in accordance with the Fund's pre-approval policies and procedures, the Audit Committee of the Fund must pre-approve all non-audit services provided by PwC, and all non-audit services provided by PwC to the Adviser, or any entity controlling, controlled by, or under common control with the Adviser that provides ongoing services to the Fund that are related to the operations and financial reporting of the Fund. In some circumstances, when certain services were not recognized at the time of the engagement to be non-audit services, the pre-approval requirement may be waived if the aggregate amount of the fees for such non-audit services constitutes less than five percent of the total amount of revenues paid to PwC by the Fund during the fiscal year in which the non-audit services are provided. PwC provided non-audit services to the Adviser during the Fund's last two fiscal years, but these services did not relate directly to the operations and financial reporting of the Fund, and therefore were not subject to pre-approval pursuant to Rule 2-01(c)(7)(ii) of Regulation S-X. PwC did not provide any non-audit services to any entity controlling, controlled by or under common control with the Adviser that provides ongoing services to the Fund. The Audit Committee has considered whether the provision of non-audit services that were rendered to the Adviser was compatible with maintaining PwC's independence.

	<b>Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018</b>	<b>Period Ended December 31, 2018*</b>	<b>Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2019</b>
Audit Fees paid by Fund	N/A	\$ 255,000	\$ 357,000
Audit-Related Fees paid by Fund <sup>1</sup>	N/A	\$ 55,000	\$ 20,000
Tax Fees paid by Fund <sup>2</sup>	N/A	\$ 10,000	\$ 20,000
All Other Fees paid by Fund	N/A	\$ 0	\$ 0
Aggregate Non-Audit Fees paid by Fund and Adviser	N/A	\$ 15,000	\$ 0

\* For the six month period ended December 31, 2018. Effective April 11, 2019, the Fund had a fiscal year change from June 30 to December 31.



- 1 The nature of the services related to agreed-upon procedures, performed on the Fund's semi-annual financial statements.
- 2 The nature of the services related to assistance on the Fund's tax returns and excise tax calculations.

The following chart reflects fees paid to KPMG in the Fund and Predecessor Fund's last two fiscal years. One hundred percent (100%) of all services provided by KPMG to the Fund and the Predecessor Fund in each year were pre-approved and no fees were subject to pre-approval by the Audit Committee pursuant to Rule 2-01(c)(7)(i)(c) of Regulation S-X. The audit services are approved by the Audit Committee pursuant to an audit engagement letter, and, in accordance with the Fund's pre-approval policies and procedures, the Audit Committee of the Fund must pre-approve all non-audit services provided by KPMG, and all non-audit services provided by KPMG to the Adviser, or any entity controlling, controlled by, or under common control with the Adviser that provides ongoing services to the Fund that are related to the operations and financial reporting of the Fund. In some circumstances, when certain services were not recognized at the time of the engagement to be non-audit services, the pre-approval requirement may be waived if the aggregate amount of the fees for such non-audit services constitutes less than five percent of the total amount of revenues paid to KPMG by the Fund during the fiscal year in which the non-audit services are provided. KPMG provided non-audit services to the Adviser during the Predecessor Fund's last two fiscal years, but these services did not relate directly to the operations and financial reporting of the Predecessor Fund, and therefore were not subject to pre-approval pursuant to Rule 2-01(c)(7)(ii) of Regulation S-X. KPMG did not provide any non-audit services to any entity controlling, controlled by or under common control with the Adviser that provides ongoing services to the Fund or Predecessor Fund. The Audit Committee has considered whether the provision of non-audit services that were rendered to the Adviser was compatible with maintaining KPMG's independence.

	<b>Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018</b>	<b>Fiscal Period Ended December 31, 2018</b>	<b>Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2019</b>
Audit Fees paid by Fund	\$ 200,000	N/A	N/A
Audit-Related Fees paid by Fund <sup>1</sup>	\$ 10,000	N/A	N/A
Tax Fees paid by Fund <sup>2</sup>	\$ 6,896	N/A	N/A
All Other Fees paid by Fund	\$ 0	N/A	N/A
Aggregate Non-Audit Fees paid by Fund and Adviser	\$ 3,560	\$ 50,000	N/A

- 1 The nature of the services related to agreed-upon procedures, performed on the Fund or Predecessor Fund's semi-annual financial statements.
- 2 The nature of the services related to assistance on the Fund or Predecessor Fund's tax returns and excise tax calculations.

**Audit Fees.** Audit fees consist of fees billed for professional services rendered for the audit of the Fund's year-end consolidated financial statements and reviews of the interim consolidated financial statements included in quarterly reports and services that are normally provided by PwC in connection with statutory and regulatory filings. These services also include the required audits of the Fund's internal controls over financial reporting.

**Audit-Related Fees.** Audit-related fees consist of fees billed for assurance and related services that are reasonably related to the performance of the audit or review of the Fund's consolidated financial statements and are not reported under "Audit Fees." These services include attestation services that are not required by statute or regulation, consultations concerning financial accounting and reporting standards, and fees related to requests for documentation and information from regulatory and other government agencies.

**Tax Fees.** Tax fees consist of fees billed for professional services for tax compliance. These services include assistance regarding federal, state, and local tax compliance.

**All Other Fees.** All other fees include fees for products and services other than the services reported above.

## Report of the Audit Committee

The Audit Committee oversees the Fund's accounting and financial reporting processes and the audits of the Fund's financial statements. Management is responsible for the preparation, presentation and integrity of the Fund's financial statements, the Fund's accounting and financial and reporting principles, and internal controls and procedures designed to assure compliance with accounting standards and applicable laws and regulations. The Audit Committee reviewed the audited financial statements in the Annual Report dated December 31, 2019 with management and discussed the quality of the accounting principles, the reasonableness of significant judgments and the clarity of disclosures in the financial statements.

The Audit Committee has considered and discussed the above described December 31, 2019 audited financial statements with management and with PwC. The Audit Committee has also discussed with PwC the matters required to be discussed by the statement on Auditing Standards No. 1301, as amended (AICPA, Professional Standards, Vol. 1. AU section 380), as adopted by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board ("PCAOB") in Rule 3200T, *The Auditor's Communication With Those Charged With Governance*. The Audit Committee reviewed with PwC, who is responsible for expressing an opinion on the conformity of those audited financial statements with generally accepted accounting principles, their judgment as to the quality, not just the acceptability, of the Fund's accounting principles and such other matters as are required to be discussed with the Audit Committee under generally accepted auditing standards. Finally, the Audit Committee reviewed the written disclosures and the letters from PwC required by PCAOB Rule 3526, *Communication with Audit Committees Concerning Independence*, as currently in effect, has considered whether the provision of other non-audit services by PwC to the Fund are compatible with maintaining PwC's independence, and has discussed with PwC its independence of the Fund.

The Audit Committee discussed with PwC the overall scope and plans for the audit. The Audit Committee met with PwC to discuss the results of their audit, their evaluations of the Fund's internal controls and the overall quality of the Fund's financial reporting.

Based upon the reports and discussions described in this report, and subject to the limitations on the role and responsibilities of the Audit Committee referred to in this proxy statement and in the Audit Committee's Charter, the Fund's Audit Committee recommended to the Fund's Board (and the Fund's Board has approved) that the Fund's audited financial statements be included in the Annual Report to Shareholders for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019 and filed with the SEC.

Shareholders are reminded, however, that the members of the Audit Committee are not professionally engaged in the practice of auditing or accounting. Members of the Audit Committee rely, without independent verification, on the information provided to them and on the representations made by management and PwC. Accordingly, the Audit Committee's oversight does not provide an independent basis to determine that management has maintained appropriate accounting and financial reporting principles or appropriate internal controls and procedures designed to assure compliance with accounting standards and applicable laws and regulations. Furthermore, the Audit Committee's considerations and discussions, referred to above, do not assure that the audit of the Fund's financial statements has been carried out in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB, that the financial statements are presented in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America or that the Fund's independent registered public accounting firm is, in fact, "independent."

Bryan A. Ward, Audit Committee Chair  
Dr. Bob Froehlich, Audit Committee Member  
Ethan Powell, Audit Committee Member

## OTHER MATTERS TO COME BEFORE THE ANNUAL MEETING

The Trustees do not intend to present any other business at the Annual Meeting nor are they aware that any shareholder intends to do so. If, however, any other matters are properly brought before the Annual Meeting, the persons named in the accompanying proxy will vote thereon in accordance with their judgment.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### Shareholder Proposals

Any proposals of shareholders intended to be presented at the Fund's 2021 Annual Meeting of Shareholders must be received at the Fund's principal executive office no later than January 28, 2021 for inclusion in the Fund's proxy statement and proxy card relating to the 2021 Annual Meeting of Shareholders and must comply with the requirements of Rule 14a-8 under the 1934 Act and all other legal requirements. Such proposals must also comply with the requirements as to form and substance established by the SEC if such proposals are to be included in the proxy statement and form of proxy. The submission by a shareholder of a proposal for inclusion in the proxy materials does not guarantee that it will be included. Any proposals submitted after such date will not be included in the Fund's proxy statement and proxy card relating to the 2021 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. Proxies solicited by the Fund will confer discretionary voting authority with respect to these proposals if the proposals are not received by the Fund, in good order and complying with all applicable legal requirements, by January 28, 2021, and may confer discretionary voting authority with respect to proposals received before such date, in each case subject to SEC rules governing the exercise of this authority.

### Delivery Requirements

The SEC has adopted rules that permit companies and intermediaries such as brokers to satisfy delivery requirements for proxy statements with respect to two or more shareholders sharing the same address by delivering a single proxy statement or Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials ("Notice") addressed to those shareholders or by sending separate Notices for each household account in a single envelope. This process, which is commonly referred to as "householding," potentially provides extra convenience for shareholders and cost savings for companies. The Fund and some brokers household proxy materials or Notices, delivering a single proxy statement or Notice to multiple shareholders sharing an address unless contrary instructions have been received from the affected shareholders. Once a shareholder has received notice from a broker or the Fund that they will be householding materials to the shareholder's address, householding will continue until the shareholder is notified otherwise or until the shareholder revokes consent.

We will deliver promptly, upon request, a separate copy of any of these documents to shareholders at a shared address to which a single copy of such document(s) was delivered. Shareholders who wish to receive a separate copy of any of these documents, or to receive a single copy of such documents if multiple copies were delivered, now or in the future, should submit their request by writing to the Fund c/o Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P., 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201 or calling the Fund at (800) 357-9167.

### Communications with Trustees

Shareholders of the Fund who wish to communicate with Trustees (or to the Independent Trustees as a group) should send communications to the attention of the Secretary of the Fund, c/o Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P., 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201, and all communications will be directed to the Trustee or Trustees indicated in the communication or, if no Trustee or Trustees are indicated, to all Trustees.

**COPIES OF THE FUND'S ANNUAL REPORT DATED DECEMBER 31, 2019 AND THE FUND'S SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT DATED JUNE 30, 2019 TO SHAREHOLDERS ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST, WITHOUT CHARGE, BY WRITING THE FUND AT 6201 15TH AVENUE, BROOKLYN, NEW YORK 11219, OR BY CALLING TOLL-FREE (800) 357-9167.**

It is important that proxies be returned promptly. You are urged to complete and sign the enclosed proxy card and return it promptly in the enclosed stamped, self-addressed envelope.

Dallas, Texas  
April 22, 2020



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**HIGHLAND INCOME FUND**  
**Annual Meeting of Shareholders – June 12, 2020**  
**Proxy Solicited on Behalf of the Board of Trustees**

The undersigned holder of shares of Highland Income Fund, a Massachusetts business trust (the "Fund"), hereby appoints Frank Waterhouse and Jason Post, and each of them separately, with full power of substitution, as proxies to represent the undersigned at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held at 200 Crescent Court, Crescent Club, Dallas, TX 75201, on June 12, 2020, at 8:30 a.m., Central Time and at any and all adjournments and postponements thereof (the "Annual Meeting"), and thereat to vote all shares of the Fund which the undersigned would be entitled to vote, with all powers the undersigned would possess if personally present, in accordance with the instructions of this proxy. The undersigned holder hereby acknowledges receipt of the accompanying Notice of Annual Meeting and Proxy Statement.

In light of the developing situation with COVID-19 (coronavirus) and the travel advisories across the United States, we are requesting that shareholders and others NOT ATTEND the Annual Meeting in person this year but to attend the Annual Meeting via conference call. For those who wish to attend via conference call, please email Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P. at [attendameeting@astfinancial.com](mailto:attendameeting@astfinancial.com) and provide us with your full name and address in order to receive the conference call dial-in information. Please vote your shares in accordance with the instructions on this Proxy Card whether or not you attend the Shareholder Meeting.

The execution of this proxy is not intended to, and does not, revoke any prior proxies or powers of attorney other than the revocation, in accordance with the law of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and applicable federal securities laws, of any proxy previously granted specifically in connection with the voting of the shares subject hereto.



Please sign exactly as names appear on this proxy. If shares are held jointly, each holder should sign. If signing as an attorney, trustee, executor, administrator, custodian, guardian or corporate officer, please give full title.

SIGNATURE DATE

**QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS PROXY?** Should you have any questions about the proxy materials or regarding how to vote your shares, please contact our proxy information line toll-free at ( 8 6 6 ) 8 2 9 - 0 5 4 1 . Representatives are available Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

SIGNATURE (if held jointly) DATE

Title – if a corporation, partnership or other entity

**IF YOU SIGN, DATE AND RETURN THIS PROXY, IT WILL BE VOTED AS DIRECTED, OR IF NO DIRECTION IS INDICATED, WILL BE VOTED "FOR" THE PROPOSAL.**

**THREE OPTIONS FOR VOTING YOUR PROXY**



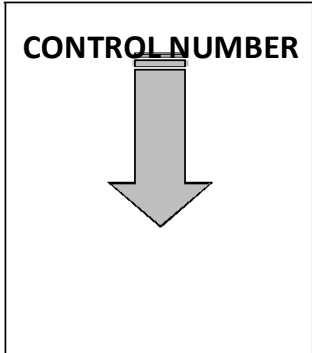
**1. Internet** Log on to [www.vote.proxyonline.com](http://www.vote.proxyonline.com). Make sure to have this proxy card available when you plan to vote your shares. You will need the control number found in the box at the right at the time you execute your vote.



**2. Telephone** Simply dial toll-free (866) 829-0541 and have this proxy card available at the time of the call. You will need the control number found in the box at the right at the time you execute your vote.



**3. Mail** Simply sign, date, and complete the reverse side of this proxy card and return it in the postage paid envelope provided.



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**IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING THE AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIALS FOR THIS ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS TO BE HELD ON JUNE 12, 2020**

The proxy statement for this meeting is available at: [www.vote.proxyonline.com/docs/highlandfro2020.pdf](http://www.vote.proxyonline.com/docs/highlandfro2020.pdf)

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HIGHLAND INCOME FUND



IF THIS PROXY IS PROPERLY EXECUTED, THE VOTES ENTITLED TO BE CAST BY THE UNDERSIGNED HOLDER WILL BE CAST IN THE MANNER DIRECTED ON THE REVERSE SIDE HEREOF, AND WILL BE VOTED IN THE DISCRETION OF THE PROXY HOLDER(S) ON ANY OTHER MATTERS THAT MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE ANNUAL MEETING OR ANY ADJOURNMENTS OR POSTPONEMENTS THEREOF. THIS PROXY WILL BE VOTED FOR THE PROPOSAL UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED. THIS PROXY WILL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS AND APPLICABLE FEDERAL SECURITIES LAWS.

PLEASE VOTE, DATE AND SIGN ON REVERSE AND RETURN PROMPTLY IN THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE

TO VOTE, MARK ONE BOX FOR EACH ITEM IN BLUE OR BLACK INK. Example: ☒

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR THE BELOW PROPOSAL.

PROPOSAL:

1. To elect Dr. Bob Froehlich as a Class I I Trustee of the Fund, to serve for a three-year term expiring at the 2023 Annual Meeting or until his successor is duly elected and qualifies, by the holders of the Fund's 5.375% Series A Cumulative Preferred Shares.

FOR                      WITHHOLD

1a. Dr. Bob Froehlich

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2. To transact such other business as may properly come before the Annual Meeting and any adjournment thereof.

THANK YOU FOR VOTING



## **EXHIBIT BBBB**



**WRITTEN CONSENT  
of  
THE GENERAL PARTNER  
of  
HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.**

**Effective September 21, 2020**

The undersigned, being all of the directors (the “**Directors**”) of Strand Advisors, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the “**General Partner**”), as general partner of Highland Capital Management, L.P., a limited partnership duly organized and existing under the laws of Delaware (“**HCMLP**”), do hereby consent and agree to take the following actions and adopt the following resolutions in lieu of a meeting on behalf of HCMLP:

WHEREAS, HCMLP serves as the investment manager, general partner, or controlling shareholder of each of the entities set forth on Appendix A hereto (collectively, the “**Managed Entities**”) and has the exclusive and complete authority thereby to bind, or cause to be bound, each of the Managed Entities, which includes the authority to direct the buying and selling of the Managed Entities’ assets;

WHEREAS, on July 6, 2020, after substantial negotiations, HCMLP, on behalf of the Managed Entities, entered into that certain Company Interests Purchase and Sale Agreement (as amended, the “**Agreement**”) with Strategic Value Partners (“**SVP**”);

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Agreement, the Managed Entities agreed to sell to SVP their interests in OmniMax Holdings, Inc., and certain of its related entities (collectively, “**OmniMax**”), at a price (the “**Purchase Price**”) equal to 29.5% of the March 31, 2020 balance of that certain PIK loan issued by OmniMax in favor of such Managed Entities (the “**PIK Loan**”);

WHEREAS, as a condition to SVP’s agreement to purchase the PIK Loan and pay the Purchase Price, the Managed Entities agreed to pay 50% of certain costs associated with obtaining necessary consents from the holders of interests held by certain entities related to HCMLP which are managed by entities controlled by James Dondero and are predominantly retail funds (the “**Non-HCMLP Parties**”), whether such costs arose in connection with OmniMax entering into bankruptcy pursuant to Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code (the “**Chapter 11 Process**”), or, upon certain necessary consents being received, outside of a Chapter 11 Process;

WHEREAS, SVP and OmniMax entered into an agreement (the “**Sale Agreement**”) pursuant to which SVP agreed to purchase substantially all of the business and operations of OmniMax (the “**Omnimax Sale**”) either through a Chapter 11 Process, or, upon certain necessary consents being received, outside of a Chapter 11 Process;

WHEREAS, a necessary consent to consummate the Ommimax Sale outside of a Chapter 11 Process is the consent of the Non-HCMLP Parties;

WHEREAS, the parties engaged in commercially reasonable negotiations with the Non-HCMLP Parties to obtain from such parties their consent and agreement on substantially the same terms as the Agreement, but, despite the clear benefits to all parties, and notwithstanding Mr. Dondero's role at HCMLP and his duties to the Managed Entities, the Non-HCMLP Parties refused or declined to finalize and execute any definitive agreements and instead the Non-HCMLP Parties asserted a hold-out position that would necessitate a Chapter 11 Process;

WHEREAS, following further negotiations, and rather than pursuing a more costly Chapter 11 Process, the Non-HCMLP Parties and SVP agreed to enter into a definitive agreement that would provide, among other things, that the purchase price for the interests of the Non-HCMLP Parties shall be 40.0%, or 10.5% in excess of the Purchase Price (such excess, the "**NHP Premium**");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Agreement, the Managed Entities and SVP had agreed to share certain costs in connection with either (x) a definitive agreement with the Non-HCMLP Parties (a "**NHP Agreement**"), or (y) in the absence of obtaining a definitive agreement, the Chapter 11 Process;

WHEREAS, to facilitate the purchase of the Non-HCMLP Parties' interests in OmniMax, SVP has requested, pursuant to the Agreement, that the Managed Entities pay 50% of the NHP Premium or, in the absence of such agreement, to pay 50% of the costs of the Chapter 11 Process in accordance with the terms of the Agreement;

WHEREAS, HCMLP has analyzed the costs and its obligations under the Agreement and has determined, with the assistance of counsel, that it is more cost-effective to pay 50% of the NHP Premium than it would be to pay 50% of the costs associated with a Chapter 11 Process;

WHEREAS, HCMLP, on behalf of the Managed Entities, and SVP have agreed to further amend the Agreement to provide that 50% of the NHP Premium will be deducted from the Purchase Price otherwise payable to the Managed Entities (the "**Amended Agreement**").

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that James P. Seery, Jr., HCMLP's chief executive officer and chief restructuring officer, be and hereby is authorized and empowered to act on behalf of HCMLP, as investment manager, general partner, or controlling shareholder of the Managed Entities, to execute the Amended Agreement on behalf of each of the Managed Entities and to take such other actions as Mr. Seery deems appropriate to effectuate the terms and intent of the Amended Agreement.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that immediately preceding authorization shall remain in effect until further written notice from HCMLP.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Directors hereby ratify and approve all actions taken by Mr. Seery with respect to OmniMax and the sale, or potential sale, of the Managed Entities' interests in OmniMax prior to the date hereof.

*[Signature Page Follows]*

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the undersigned, being all of the Directors of the General Partner, have executed this consent to be effective as of the date first set forth above.

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- Ethan Powell
- Bryan A. Ward
- Edward Constantino

Interested Trustee

- John Honis

**Highland Income Fund**

Independent Trustees

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- Ethan Powell
- Bryan A. Ward

Interested Trustee

- John Honis

**NexPoint Capital, Inc.**

Independent Directors

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Interested Director

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## **EXHIBIT DDDD**



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**Re: In re Highland Capital Management, L.P., Case  
No. 19-34054-sgj (Bankr. N.D. Tex)**

Dear Counsel:

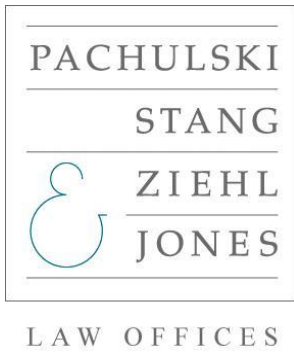
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On December 8, 2020, your firm filed that certain *Motion for Order Imposing Temporary Restrictions on Debtor’s Ability, as Portfolio Manager, to Initiate Sales by Non-Debtor CLO Vehicles [D.I. 1528]* (the “Motion”)<sup>1</sup> on behalf of Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P., NexPoint Advisors, L.P., Highland Income Fund, NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund, and NexPoint Capital, Inc. (collectively, the “Movants”). After hearing the sworn testimony of the Movants’ witness and the arguments made on the Movants’ behalf, Judge Jernigan found that the Motion was “a very, very frivolous motion” and that your firm “wasted [her]

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time.” (Transcript, 64:5-12) An order was entered denying the Motion on December 18, 2020 [D.I. 1605].

On December 22, we received the letter attached as Exhibit A (the “Letter”) from your firm on behalf of the Movants and CLO Holdco, Ltd. (an entity affiliated with James Dondero) re-asserting almost verbatim the frivolous arguments raised in the Motion. Concurrently, we received notice that certain of the Movants’ employees would not settle trades on behalf of the CLOs that were authorized by the Debtor acting in its capacity as the CLOs’ portfolio manager. The Movants’ employees who interfered with the Debtor’s directions justified their conduct by asserting – again almost verbatim – the frivolous arguments raised in the Motion.

The Movants have caused the Debtor to incur substantial costs defending itself against the Motion and preparing to defend against the frivolous suits forecasted in the Letter. The Debtor demands that the Movants withdraw the letter by 5:00 p.m. CT on Monday, December 28, 2020, and confirm that the Movants and anyone acting on their behalf will take no further steps to interfere with the Debtor’s directions as the CLOs’ portfolio manager. If the Movants fail to timely comply with these demands, the Debtor shall seek prompt judicial relief, including seeking sanctions under Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 9011.

The Debtor reserves all rights it may have, whether in law equity, or contract, including the right to seek reimbursement of any and all fees and expenses incurred in seeking sanctions.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,



Gregory Demo

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# Exhibit A



December 22, 2020

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As you are aware, certain registered investment companies and a business development company managed by either NexPoint or HCMFA own preference shares in many of the CLOs. In the following cases those companies own a majority of such shares<sup>1</sup>:

- Stratford CLO, Ltd. 69.05%
- Grayson CLO, Ltd. 60.47%
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Additionally, such companies own significant minority stakes in the following CLO's:

- Eastland CLO, Ltd. 41.69%
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The ownerships described above represent in many cases the total remaining outstanding interests in such CLOs, because the noteholders have been paid in full. In others, the remaining noteholders represent only a small percentage of remaining interests. Thus, the economic ownership of the registered investment companies, business development company, and CLO Holdco largely represent the investors in the CLOs identified above.

Contractually, the Debtor is obligated to maximize value for the benefit of the preference shareholders. Accordingly, we respectfully request that no further dispositions of CLO interests occur pending the confirmation hearing. While we recognize the Court denied the Advisor and Funds motion on this subject, the Court did not require liquidations occur immediately, and we reserve all rights to and remedies against the Debtor should the Debtor continue to liquidate CLO interests in contravention of this joint request. Given the Advisor, Funds, and CLO Holdco's requests, it is difficult to understand the Debtor's rationale for continued liquidations, or the benefit to the Debtor from pursuing those sales.

As you know, HCMLP's duties are set forth in the portfolio management agreements of the CLOs, which themselves have been adopted under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 ("Advisers Act"). As HCMLP readily admits, it is: (i) terminating employees on January 31, 2021, which will result in a loss of the employees that have traditionally serviced those CLOs; (ii) ignoring the requests of the Advisors, Funds, and CLO Holdco, which together account for all or a majority of interests in certain CLOs, and selling assets of those CLOs prior to plan-confirmation; and (iii) adding a replacement manager as subadvisor prior to January 31, 2021. The Advisors, Funds, and CLO Holdco assert that those actions run in contravention to HCMLP's duty to maximize value for the holders of preference shares and thus what HCMLP has agreed to under the portfolio management agreement, as well as its duties under the Advisers Act, which ultimately will adversely impact the economic owners noted above.

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For the forgoing and other reasons, we request that no further CLO transactions occur at least until the issues raised by and addressed in the Debtor's plan are resolved at the confirmation hearing.

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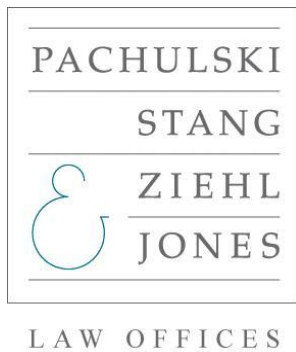
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HCMP's estate by using different controlled entities to accomplish his ends.

On December 23, we received the letter attached as Exhibit A (the "Letter") from your firm on behalf of the Movants and CLO Holdco, Ltd. (an entity affiliated with James Dondero) informing us that they were seeking to terminate certain CLO management agreements for "cause." For the reasons set forth herein, among others, such action is sanctionable under the circumstances and is otherwise prohibited by the CLOs' governing documents.

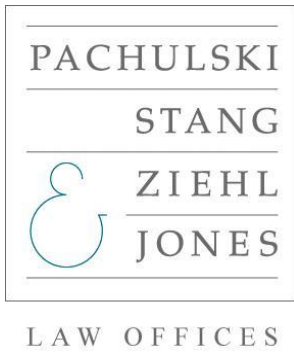
First, the Movants are owned and/or controlled by Mr. Dondero. These facts were disclosed in the Movants' public filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission and confirmed by Mr. Dustin Norris's testimony at the hearing held on December 16, 2020. Consequently, the Movants' attempt to terminate the CLO management agreements violates the order entered on January 9, 2020 [D.I. 339] (the "January Order"), which prohibits Mr. Dondero from "caus[ing] any Related Entity to terminate any agreements with the Debtor." A copy of the January Order is attached as Exhibit B.

Second, "cause" does not exist to terminate the CLO management agreements. The Debtor has a duty under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 to the CLOs, not to any specific investor in the CLOs. *See, e.g., Goldstein v. SEC*, 451 F.3d 873, 881-82 (D.C. Cir. 2006) ("[t]he adviser owes fiduciary duties only to the fund, not to the fund's investors. . ."). The Debtor has, at all times, fulfilled its statutory and contractual duties to the CLOs and will continue to do so. As counsel, you have a duty to investigate the spurious allegations in your pleadings, but you failed to do so. Your clients' desire to re-assert control over the CLOs is not evidence to the contrary.

Third, the Movants, by their own admission, consider themselves affiliates of the Debtor. Under the management agreements, affiliates of a manager cannot replace a manager, and therefore, are prohibited from removing a manager.

Please confirm to us, in writing, no later than 5:00 p.m. CT on Monday, December 28, 2020, that you are withdrawing the Letter and that the Movants and CLO Holdco, Ltd., commit not to take any





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actions, either directly or indirectly, to terminate the CLO management agreements. If we do not receive such confirmation, the Debtor will seek immediate relief from the bankruptcy court, including an action for contempt for violating the January Order and sanctions under Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 9011 or otherwise.

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Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,



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In pleadings filed with the Bankruptcy Court, you asserted that one or more of the entities identified above lacked the authority to seek a replacement of the Debtor as fund manager because of the alleged affiliate status of the beneficial owners of such entities. We disagree.

Consequently, in addition to our request of yesterday, where appropriate and consistent with the underlying contractual provisions, one or more of the entities above intend to notify the relevant trustees and/or issuers that the process of removing the Debtor as fund manager should be initiated, subject to and with due deference for the applicable provisions of the United States Bankruptcy Code, including the automatic stay of Section 362. The basis for initiating the process for such removal includes, but is not limited to, the fact that HCMLP's duties, as set forth in the portfolio management agreements of the CLOs, are subject to the requirements of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 ("Advisers Act"). HCMLP appears to be acting contrary to those duties under the agreements and where HCMLP is not fulfilling its duties under the portfolio management agreement it is therefore violating the Advisers Act. Thus, because HCMLP is (i) terminating employees on January 31, 2021, which will result in a loss of the employees that have traditionally serviced, including key investment professionals identified in the transactional documents for those CLOs (generally Mark Okada and Jim Dondero); (ii) ignoring the requests of the Advisors, Funds, and CLO Holdco, which together account for all or a majority of interests in certain CLOs, and selling assets of those CLOs prior to plan confirmation; (iii)

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adding a replacement manager as subadviser prior to January 31, 2021; and (iv) for other cause, the Advisors, Funds, and CLO Holdco have concluded that they have no choice but to initiate HCMLP's removal as fund manager where such entities are contractually and legally permitted or obligated to do so.

Because the process of removal is being initiated, subject to the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, we respectfully request that no further CLO transactions occur at least until the issues raised by and addressed in the Debtor's plan are resolved at the confirmation hearing. To the extent there are CLO transactions prior to the confirmation, we intend to fully explore the business justification for doing so, as we do not believe there is any rational business reason to liquidate securities prior to that time.

Sincerely,

*A. Lee Hogewood, III*

A. Lee Hogewood, III

## Exhibit B




CLERK, U.S. BANKRUPTCY COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

**ENTERED**

THE DATE OF ENTRY IS ON  
THE COURT'S DOCKET

The following constitutes the ruling of the court and has the force and effect therein described.

Signed January 9, 2020

  
United States Bankruptcy Judge

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
DALLAS DIVISION**

In re:

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,<sup>1</sup>

Debtor.

§  
§ Chapter 11  
§  
§ Case No. 19-34054-sgj11  
§  
§ Related to Docket Nos. 7 & 259

**ORDER APPROVING SETTLEMENT WITH OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF  
UNSECURED CREDITORS REGARDING GOVERNANCE OF THE DEBTOR  
AND PROCEDURES FOR OPERATIONS IN THE ORDINARY COURSE**

Upon the *Motion of the Debtor to Approve Settlement with Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors Regarding Governance of the Debtor and Procedures for Operations in the Ordinary Course* (the “Motion”),<sup>2</sup> filed by the above-captioned debtor and debtor in possession

<sup>1</sup> The Debtor’s last four digits of its taxpayer identification number are (6725). The headquarters and service address for the above-captioned Debtor is 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, TX 75201.

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



(the “Debtor”); the Court having reviewed the Motion, and finding that (a) the Court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§157 and 1334, (b) this is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §157(b)(2)(A), and (c) notice of this Motion having been sufficient under the circumstances and no other or further notice is required; and having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and having determined that the relief sought in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtor and its estate; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The Motion is GRANTED on the terms and conditions set forth herein, and the United States Trustee’s objection to the Motion is OVERRULED.

2. The Term Sheet is approved and the Debtor is authorized to take such steps as may be necessary to effectuate the settlement contained in the Term Sheet, including, but not limited to: (i) implementing the Document Production Protocol; and (ii) implementing the Protocols.

3. The Debtor is authorized (A) to compensate the Independent Directors for their services by paying each Independent Director a monthly retainer of (i) \$60,000 for each of the first three months, (ii) \$50,000 for each of the next three months, and (iii) \$30,000 for each of the following six months, provided that the parties will re-visit the director compensation after the sixth month and (B) to reimburse each Independent Director for all reasonable travel or other expenses, including expenses of counsel, incurred by such Independent Director in connection with its service as an Independent Director in accordance with the Debtor’s expense reimbursement policy as in effect from time to time.



4. The Debtor is authorized to guarantee Strand's obligations to indemnify each Independent Director pursuant to the terms of the Indemnification Agreements entered into by Strand with each Independent Director on the date hereof.

5. The Debtor is authorized to purchase an insurance policy to cover the Independent Directors.

6. All of the rights and obligations of the Debtor referred to in paragraphs 3 and 4 hereof shall be afforded administrative expense priority under 11 U.S.C. § 503(b).

7. Subject to the Protocols and the Term Sheet, the Debtor is authorized to continue operations in the ordinary course of its business.

8. Pursuant to the Term Sheet, Mr. James Dondero will remain as an employee of the Debtor, including maintaining his title as portfolio manager for all funds and investment vehicles for which he currently holds that title; provided, however, that Mr. Dondero's responsibilities in such capacities shall in all cases be as determined by the Independent Directors and Mr. Dondero shall receive no compensation for serving in such capacities. Mr. Dondero's role as an employee of the Debtor will be subject at all times to the supervision, direction and authority of the Independent Directors. In the event the Independent Directors determine for any reason that the Debtor shall no longer retain Mr. Dondero as an employee, Mr. Dondero shall resign immediately upon such determination.

9. Mr. Dondero shall not cause any Related Entity to terminate any agreements with the Debtor.

10. No entity may commence or pursue a claim or cause of action of any kind against any Independent Director, any Independent Director's agents, or any Independent

Director's advisors relating in any way to the Independent Director's role as an independent director of Strand without the Court (i) first determining after notice that such claim or cause of action represents a colorable claim of willful misconduct or gross negligence against Independent Director, any Independent Director's agents, or any Independent Director's advisors and (ii) specifically authorizing such entity to bring such claim. The Court will have sole jurisdiction to adjudicate any such claim for which approval of the Court to commence or pursue has been granted.

11. Nothing in the Protocols, the Term Sheet or this Order shall affect or impair Jefferies LLC's rights under its Prime Brokerage Customer Agreements with the Debtor and non-debtor Highland Select Equity Master Fund, L.P., or any of their affiliates, including, but not limited to, Jefferies LLC's rights of termination, liquidation and netting in accordance with the terms of the Prime Brokerage Customer Agreements or, to the extent applicable, under the Bankruptcy Code's "safe harbor" protections, including under sections 555 and 561 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtor shall not conduct any transactions or cause any transactions to be conducted in or relating to the Jefferies LLC accounts without the express consent and cooperation of Jefferies LLC or, in the event that Jefferies withholds consent, as otherwise ordered by the Court. For the avoidance of doubt, Jefferies LLC shall not be deemed to have waived any rights under the Prime Brokerage Customer Agreements or, to the extent applicable, the Bankruptcy Code's "safe harbor" protections, including under sections 555 and 561 of the Bankruptcy Code, and shall be entitled to take all actions authorized therein without further order of the Court

12. Notwithstanding any stay under applicable Bankruptcy Rules, this Order shall be effective immediately upon entry.

13. The Court shall retain jurisdiction over all matters arising from or related to the interpretation and implementation of this Order, including matters related to the Committee's approval rights over the appointment and removal of the Independent Directors.

**## END OF ORDER ##**

# **EXHIBIT FFFF**



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Re: Termination of Dondero access to office and services

Dear Counsel:

We are writing to you on behalf of our clients Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P. (“HCMFA”) and NexPoint Advisors, L.P. (“NexPoint”, and together with HCMFA, the “Advisors”), and Highland Income Fund, NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund, NexPoint Capital, Inc. and the other retail funds advised by the Advisors (together, the “Funds”).

We have been provided a copy of your December 23, 2020 letter to Mr. Lynn regarding the termination of Mr. Dondero’s access to the office and services. We are extremely concerned that the loss of such access by Mr. Dondero could have serious effects for our clients and do unintended damage to their interests. In particular, the Funds, many of which are publicly-listed, registered with and regulated by the Securities and Exchange Commission, and have thousands of shareholders, may be economically disadvantaged to the extent that the Debtor’s actions deny Mr. Dondero the access and ability to provide the necessary and contractual services to them.

Mr. Dondero is portfolio manager and/or officer of various entities which occupy space in the premises and have shared access to email accounts, computers and other relevant material pursuant to the terms of various shared services agreements (the “Agreements”), which the Debtor has not rejected and for which such entities pay the Debtor significant fees. We are not aware of any provisions under the Agreements which give the Debtor the power to determine which employees of NexPoint Advisors,

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L.P. and other entities may enter the premises or have access to the email and related systems. If there are, please direct us to those provisions. The Debtor has given written notice to the Advisors and the Funds that the Agreements will remain in place until January 31, 2021, at which time they will terminate, and our clients have been and are acting in reliance on those written representations from the Debtor.

Mr. Dondero is the lead (and in some cases the sole) portfolio manager for certain of the Funds. He is intimately involved in the day-to-day operations and investment decisions regarding those Funds and in the operations of the Advisors. We believe that denying Mr. Dondero access to the premises, email and related systems will materially and adversely affect the function and reputation of the Advisors and the Funds. We ask that the Debtor reconsider its position refusing Mr. Dondero necessary access to the email, operating systems and building required to serve the Funds and the Advisors.

Sincerely,

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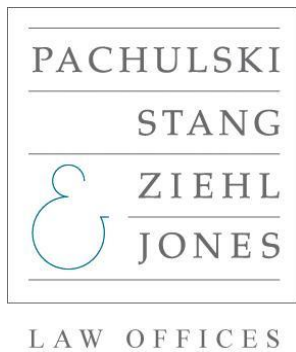
**Re: *In re Highland Capital Management, L.P.*, Case  
No. 19-34054-sgj (Bankr. N.D. Tex): Termination  
of James Dondero**

Dear Counsel:

As you know, we represent Highland Capital Management, L.P. (the “Debtor”), the debtor-in-possession in the above-captioned bankruptcy case. We understand that your firm represents the following entities: Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P., NexPoint Advisors, L.P., Highland Income Fund, NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund, NexPoint Capital, Inc., and certain other unnamed funds managed by Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P. or NexPoint Advisors, L.P. (collectively, the “Entities”).

We write in response to your letter dated December 31, 2020, in which you contend that James Dondero’s removal from the





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Debtor's office, the Debtor's email service, and certain other services provided by the Debtor could have adverse effects on the Entities and in which you ask the Debtor to reconsider its removal of Mr. Dondero from the Debtor's property.

Your contentions demonstrate a continued fealty to Mr. Dondero that conspicuously ignores the facts. The record clearly establishes that Mr. Dondero has interfered with the Debtor's business, engaged in disruptive behavior, and has interests adverse to the Debtor and its estate. Regrettably, Mr. Dondero has continued down his chosen path despite the imposition of a temporary restraining order against him. Consequently, the Debtor was left with no alternative other than to remove Mr. Dondero from the Debtor's offices and cease providing services to him.

We note that Mr. Dondero did not seek judicial relief, make any of the contentions you have made, or even complain to the Debtor. We also note that (a) no action was taken against the Entities, only against Mr. Dondero, (b) Mr. Dondero was given reasonable notice of his eviction and the termination of the Debtor's services to him, such that he could have and should have made alternative arrangements to avoid any disruption, and (c) nothing prevents Mr. Dondero from continuing to work on behalf of the Entities (as you are likely aware, a substantial portion of the U.S. workforce has worked remotely for almost a year now).

If the Entities believe they have claims against the Debtor for the eviction of Mr. Dondero, they can pursue them, and the Debtor will respond as necessary to protect itself and its estate, including seeking sanctions for the filing of frivolous lawsuits.

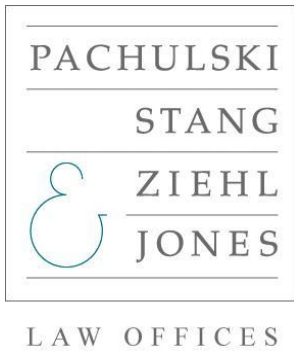
The Debtor reserves all rights it may have at law or in equity, including the right to seek reimbursement of legal fees and expenses incurred in seeking sanctions.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,



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